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ERKNet/ERA Educational Webinars on
Pediatric Nephrology & Rare Kidney Diseases

Collagenopathies

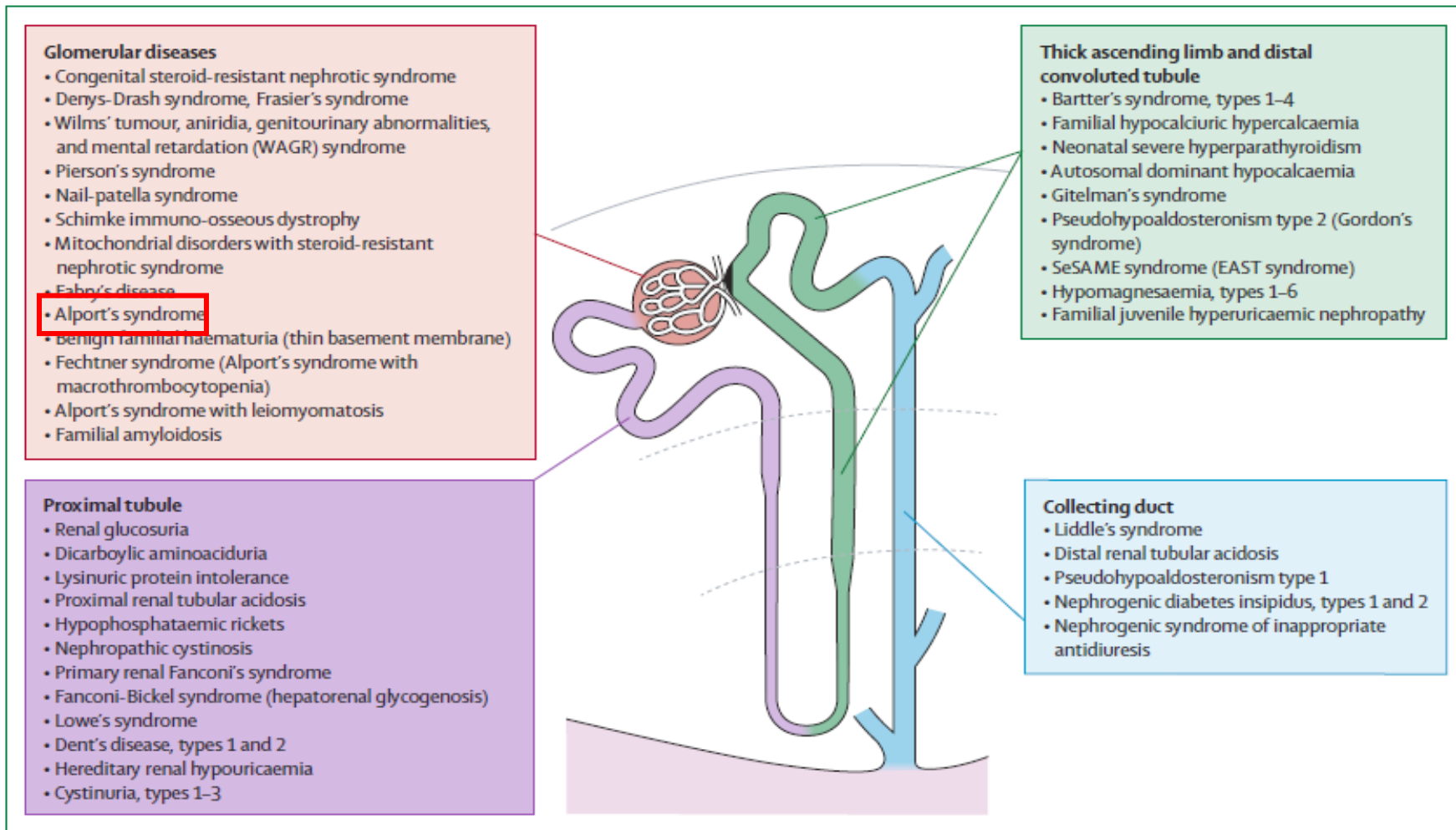
Speaker: Roser Torra (Barcelona, Spain)

Patient's voice: Susie Gear & Heidi Zealey (Alport UK)

Moderator: Francesco Emma (Rome, Italy)



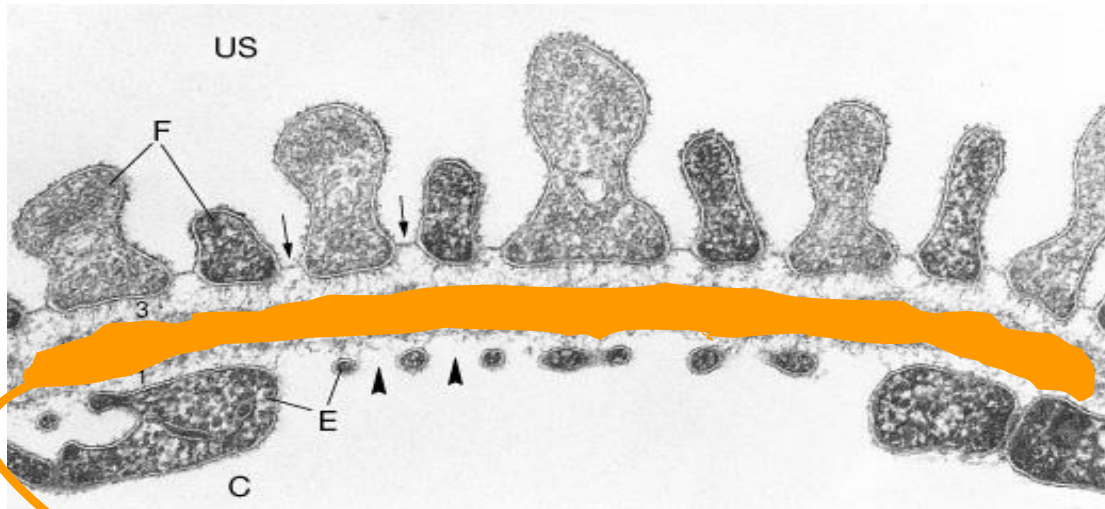
Inherited Kidney Disorders: Segmental Distribution



Inherited hematuric diseases

Disease	Causing gene
HANAC	COL4A1 13q34
ALPORT	COL4A3 2q36.3, COL4A4 2q36.3, COL4A5 Xq22.3
ALPORT + leiomyomatosis (CGS)	COL4A6 Xq22.3
Complement Factor H-related	CFHR5 1q32
MYH9 related diseases	MYH9 22q11.2
Fibronectin 1	FN1 2q35
Ig A	???..non-mendelian

GLOMERULAR FILTRATION BARRIER



Epithelia: podocytes

Glomerular Basement Membrane

Endothelium

Collagen type IV network
 $\alpha 3.\alpha 4.\alpha 5$

GLOMERULAR FILTRATION BARRIER: the GBM

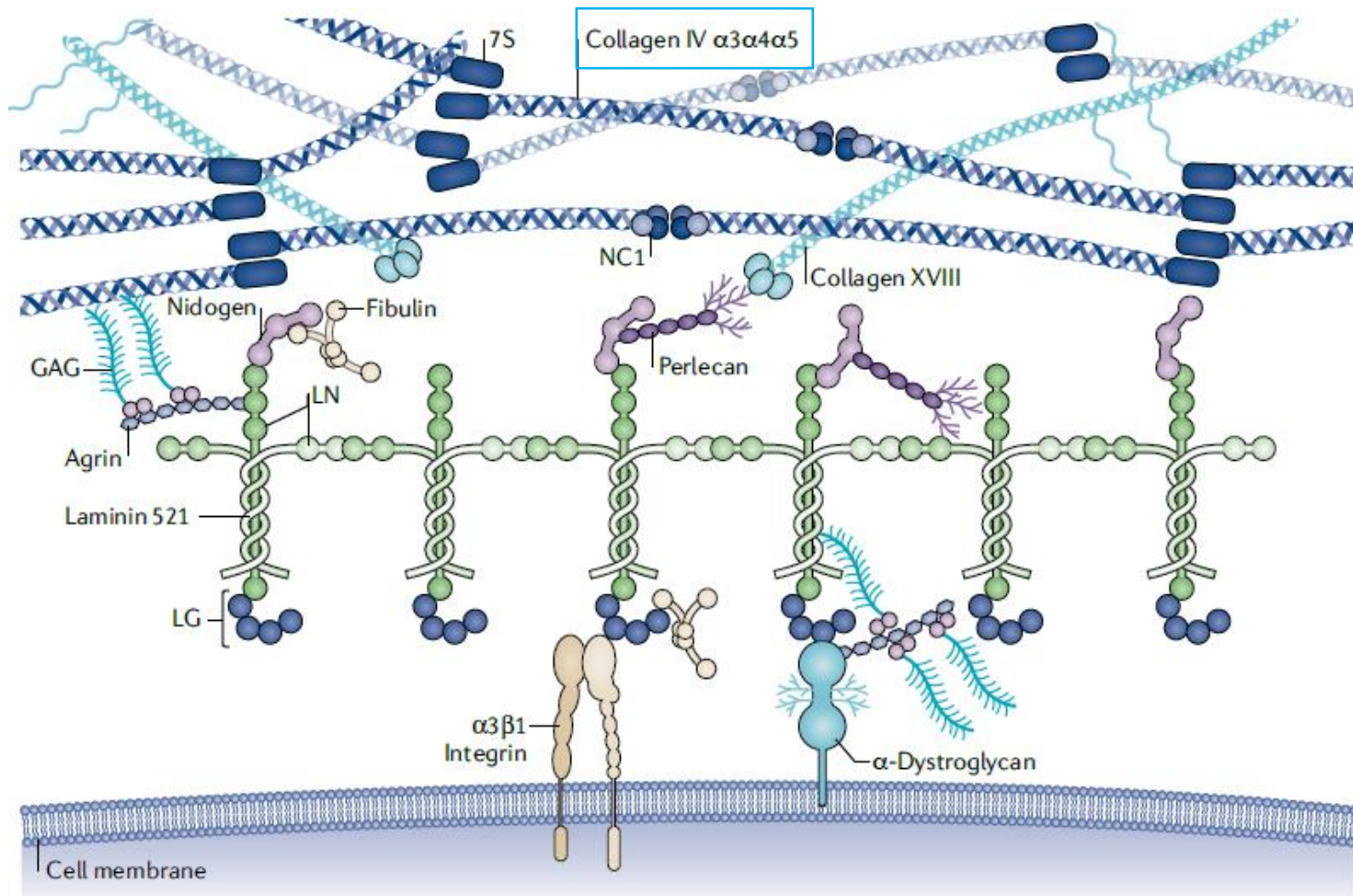
- The GBM is a unique type of basement membrane because of its great thickness (300–350nm) and its position between two cell layers, podocytes and endothelial cells.
- The GBM has a specific role in maintenance of the glomerular filtration barrier by:
 - Providing **mechanical support** for the glomerular capillaries. Supports the **highest capillary pressure in the body (45 mmHg)**
 - **Ultrafiltration** of circulating blood
 - **Size-selective**
 - **Charge-selective** (prevents anionic molecules leakage)
 - Blocking the passage of **cellular components** and large proteins from entering the urinary space.

Components of the GBM

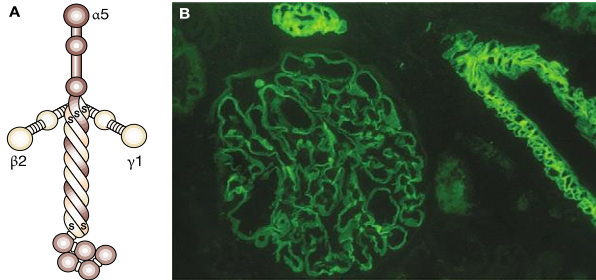
Produced by endothelial cells and podocytes (initially double layer):

- Collagen IV
- Laminin
- Integrins
- Heparan sulfate proteoglycan
- Nidogen

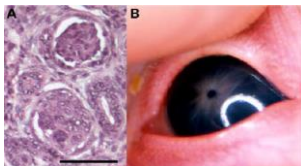
MAJOR COMPONENTS OF THE GLOMERULAR BASEMENT MEMBRANE



Laminins



- Heterotrimeric molecules: one α , one β , and one γ chain, with a cruciform organization.
- **laminin β 2** chain is expressed at high levels in the GBM
- Essential for the **structural assembly of basement membranes, and interact with type IV collagen via nidogen.**
- Indispensable for the **initial formation of GBM**
- Mutations in *LAMB2* causes Pirson Syndrome



Integrins

- Transmembrane $\alpha\beta$ heterodimers
- Integrin α 3 β 1 is the predominant integrin normally present on the basal surface of podocytes
- The binding of laminin to integrin is essential for the **formation of the typical glomerular capillary loop structure**

Other components of the GBM

Nidogen is a ubiquitous basement membrane component that ‘bridges’ the collagen IV and laminin networks

HSPGs (Heparan Sulfate Proteoglycans) **charge selectivity of the GFB.**

Agrin is the major HSPG in the GBM.

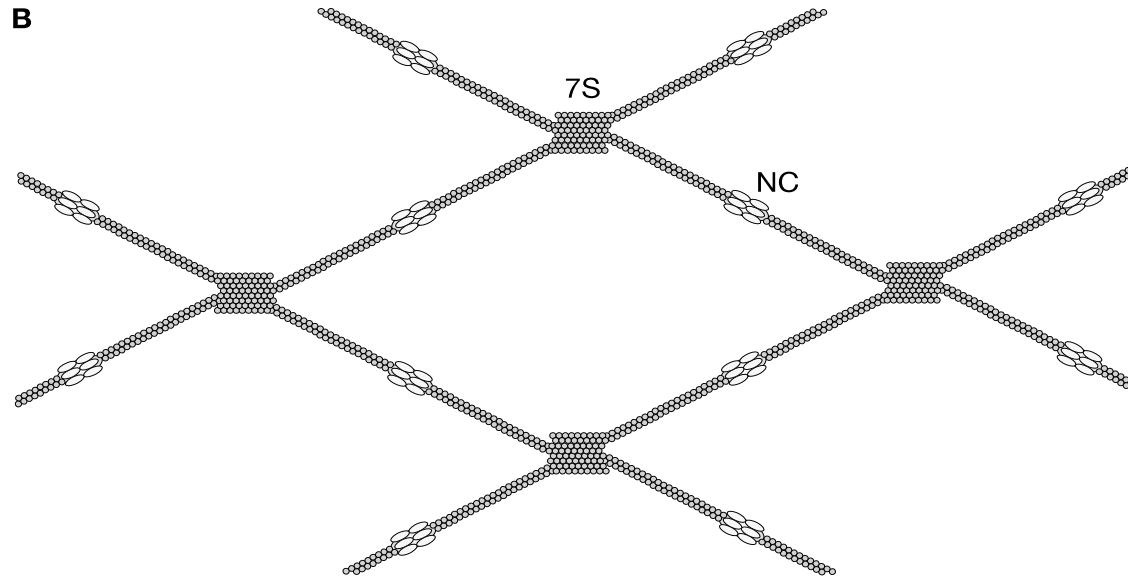
Perlecan is exclusively present on the endothelial side of the GBM and in the mesangial matrix.

Type IV collagen

- Is the most abundant protein found in basement membranes (50% of the mass)
- Collagen IV protomers are assembled inside the endoplasmic reticulum and secreted into the extracellular space
- Self- polymerize into a 'chicken-wire-like' network

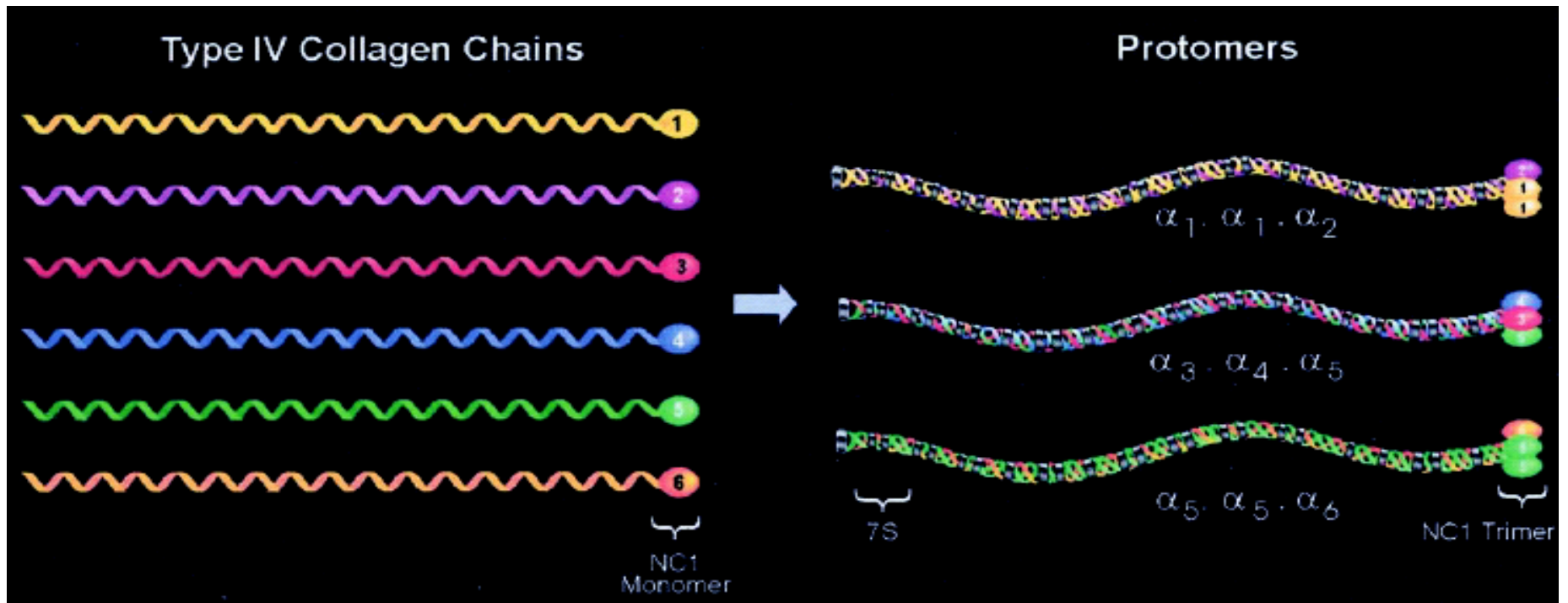


Organization of a type IV collagen network



Two molecules unite via their noncollagenous domains, and four molecules via their 7S domains.

COLLAGEN IV CHAINS



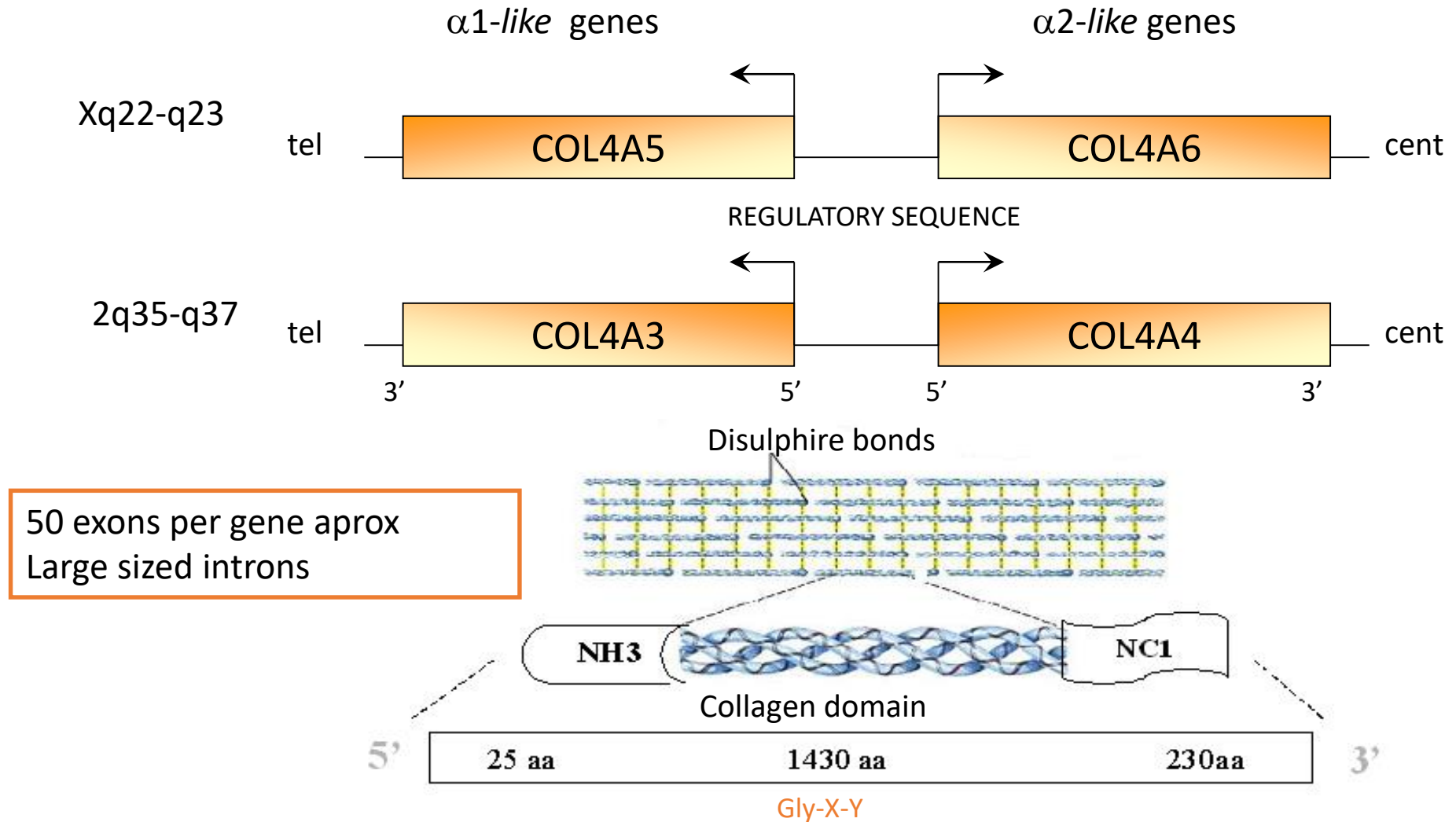
Collagen IV chains

Gene	Chromos	Protein	prot expression	Disease
COL4A1	13q34	$\alpha 1$ (IV)	All BM	HANAC
COL4A2	13q34	$\alpha 2$ (IV)	All MB	
COL4A3	2q35-37	$\alpha 3$ (IV)	Kidney, eye, ear	ARAS, ADAS
COL4A4	2q35-37	$\alpha 4$ (IV)	Kidney, eye, ear	ARAS, ADAS
COL4A5	Xq22	$\alpha 5$ (IV)	Kidney, eye, ear, skin	XLAS
COL4A6	Xq22	$\alpha 6$ (IV)	Kidney, eye, ear, skin	(XLAS+LM)

HANAC

- HANAC syndrome is an infrequent systemic basement-membrane disease
- Heterozygous mutations in *COL4A1*.
- Clinical features:
 - Hereditary Angiopathy
 - Nephropathy (microhematuria, cysts, renal failure)
 - Aneurysms
 - Muscle Cramps
- Electron microscopy shows thickening and splitting on the basement membranes (including tubules, capillaries and GBM).

Structure of collagen IV genes implicated in AS



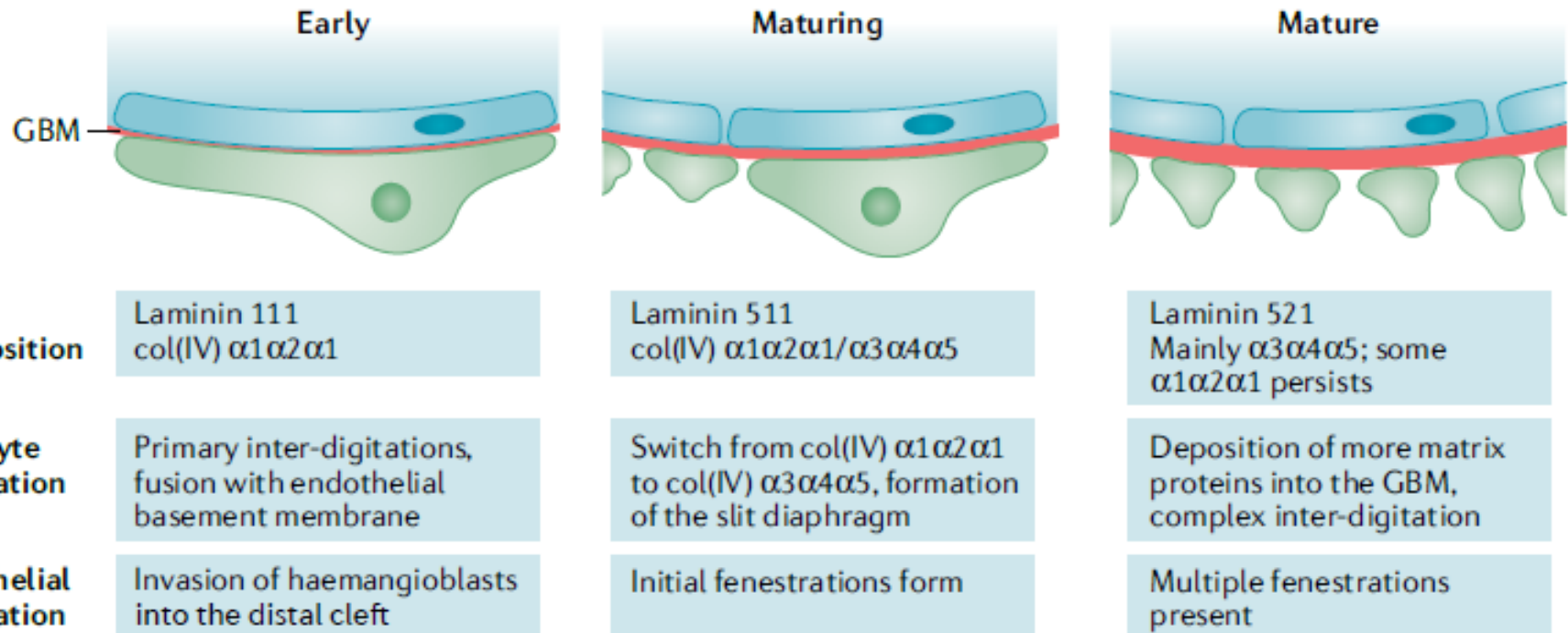
Substitution of glycines in the collagen domain

GLY-X-Y

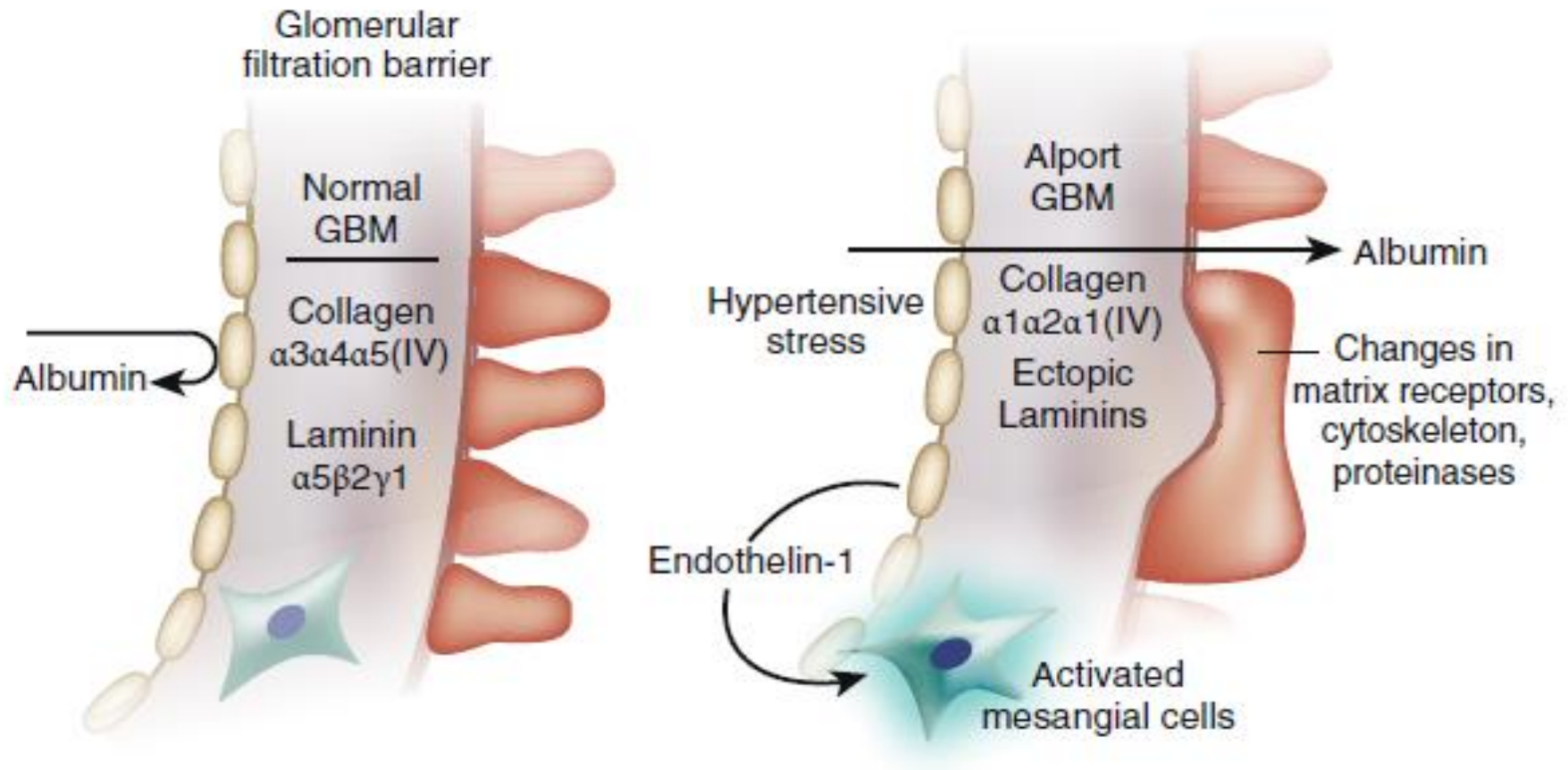
- The most common mutations: **missense**
- **Glycine** is the smallest AA
 - **only one that fits into the folds** within the narrow triple helix structure
- Some of the substitutions will totally prevent the formation of the triple helix, while others will have a minimal effect on the folding of the chains.
 - Less severe when involving exons 1 to 20.
 - Ala < Ser < Cys < Arg < Val < Glu < Asp < Trp
- Substituting a **Gly for an alanine** could give rise to a phenotype so **mild** or so late in appearance that it could escape diagnosis.
- Substitution of any of the **X and Y positions will always have less impact** than the smaller of the glycine substitutions

GBM development

Switch!!

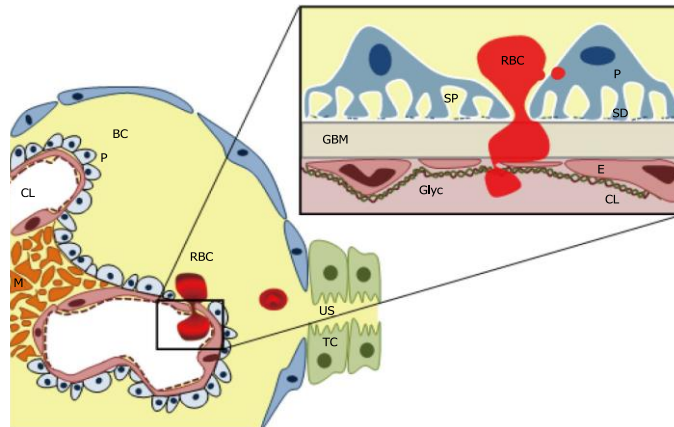


HYPOTHESIS FOR PROTEINURIA



Physiopathology of microhematuria

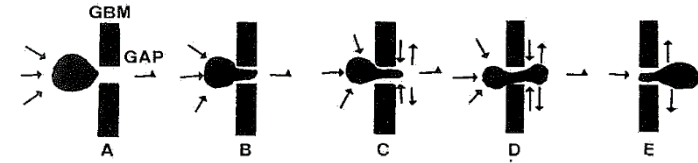
- The precise pathogenic mechanisms responsible of glomerular haematuria remain to be elucidated
- Under physiological conditions, the endothelium with its **fenestrations (50-100 nm)** acts as molecular size sieve, self-sufficient to maintain the **RBCs (6.2-8.2 μm)** away from the GBM.
- How the **RBCs, 100-fold bigger** than the glomerular endothelium's pore, cross the GFB remains unclear.



Physiopathology of microhematuria

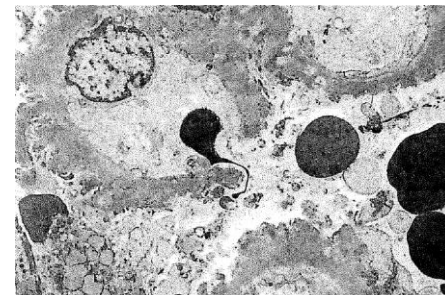


A red blood cell of normal electron density is about to enter the gap between endothelial cells. The size of gap is 1,57 nm
X7.200



GBM stretches and retracts
Disruptions of GBM to allow RBC go through?
RBC very elastic and deformable

Pulses of capillary circulation + contractility of GBM
Squeeze the cell through the GAP



ALPORT SYNDROME

- Rare disease:
 - XLAS estimated 1:10,000 1:5,000 to 1:57,000
 - ARAS estimated to 1:50 000)
 - ADAS unknown but underdiagnosed.....
- In Europe, **untreated patients XLAS/ARAS** reach end-stage renal disease with a median age of **22 years** (Gross, 2012)
- More than 500 different mutations have been described, mostly linked to X-chromosome

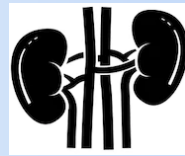


1927

AS: DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA

- **Family history** of nephritis or hematuria in first degree relative or in a male relative via maternal transmission.
- Persistent **hematuria** without evidence of another cause of hematuria (stones, ADPKD, IgA)
- Bilateral **sensorineural hearing loss** (2,000-8,000 Hz), absent in childhood and generally established before age 30.
- **Mutation** in any of these genes: *COL4A3* / 4/5
- **Immunohistochemical** evidence of lack of Alport epitope in glomerular or epidermal basement membranes.
- **Ultrastructural changes of the GBM**: thinning, thickening, lamellation.
- **Eye** lesions: anterior lenticonus, posterior subcapsular cataract
- **ESRD** in the proband or in at least 2 relatives.
- Diffuse **leiomyomatosis** of the esophagus, female genitalia or both

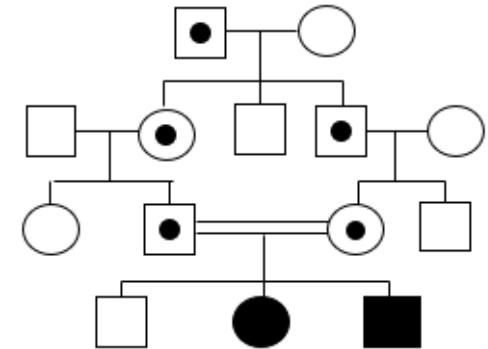
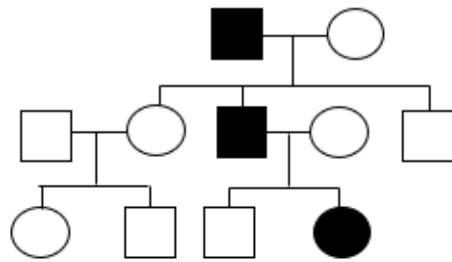
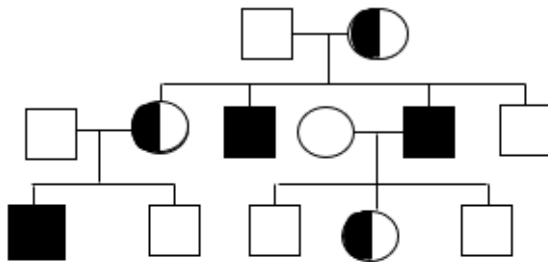
ALPORT SYNDROME



X LINKED

AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT

AUTOSOMAL RECESSIVE



COL4A5 pathogenic variant

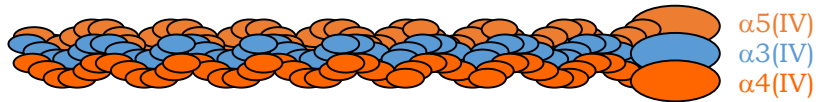
One *COL4A3/4*
pathogenic variant

Two *COL4A3/4* pathogenic variants

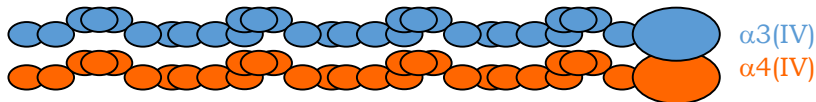
TRIPLE HELIX COLLAGEN IV

MOLECULAR DEFECT

PHENOTYPE

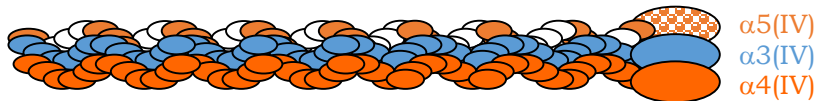


NORMAL GBM



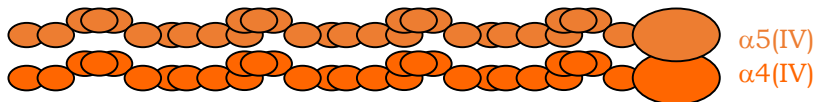
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XY

Males more affected
Early ESR- XLAS

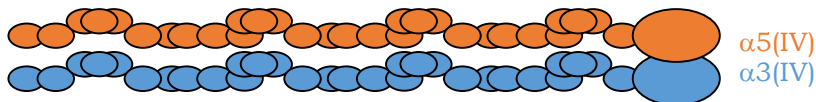


1 MUTACIÓN *COL4A5*
XX

Affected/carrier woman
XLAS

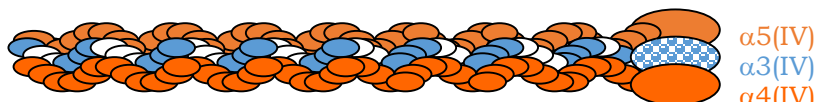


2 MUTACIONES
COL4A3



2 MUTACIONES
COL4A4

ARAS
Early ESRD



1 MUTACIÓN
COL4A3

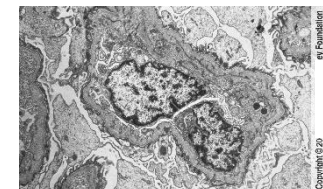


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COL4A4

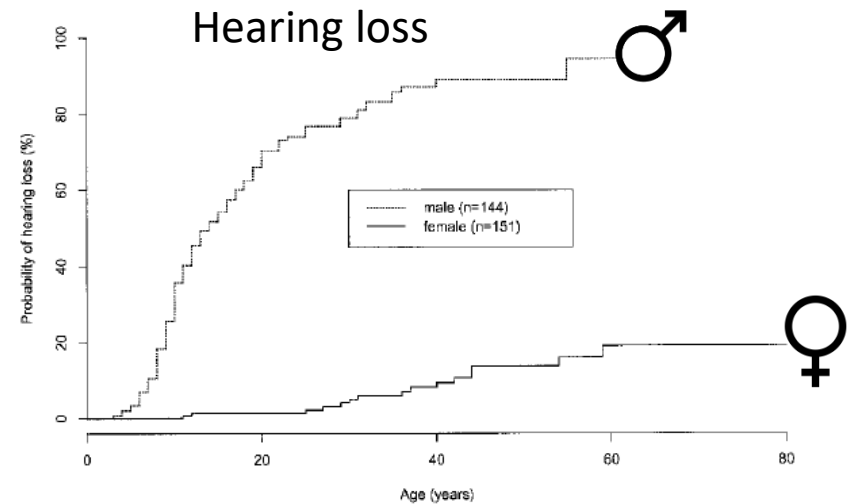
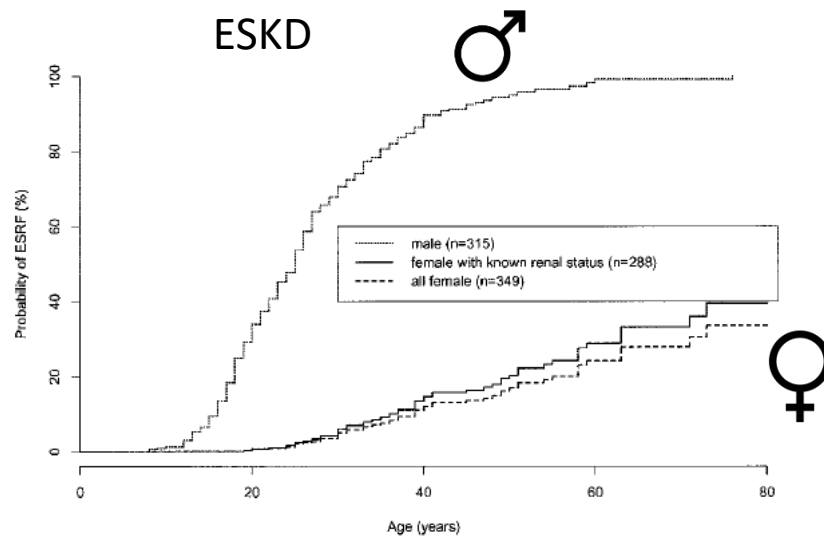


1 MUTACIÓN *COL4A4*
1 MUTACIÓN *COL4A3*

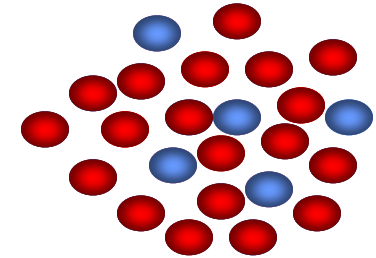
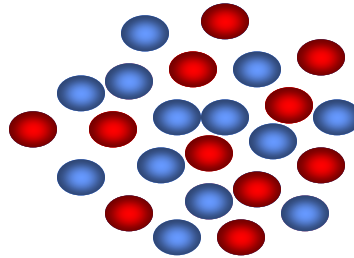
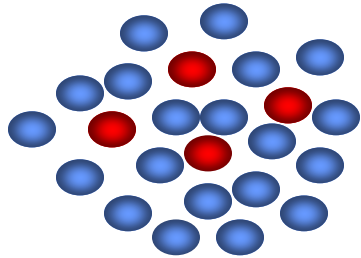
COLLAGEN IV NEPHROPATHY
($\alpha 3, \alpha 4$)
Variable evolution



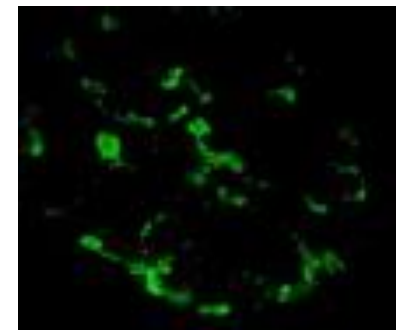
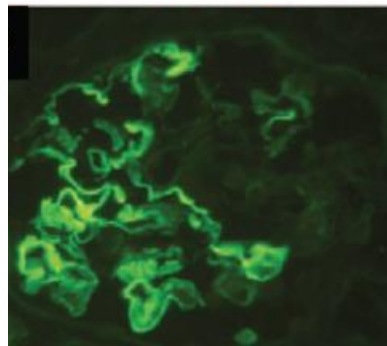
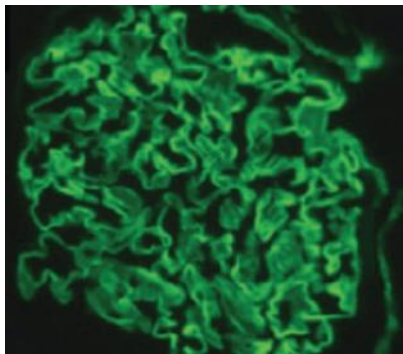
XLAS: males more severely affected than females



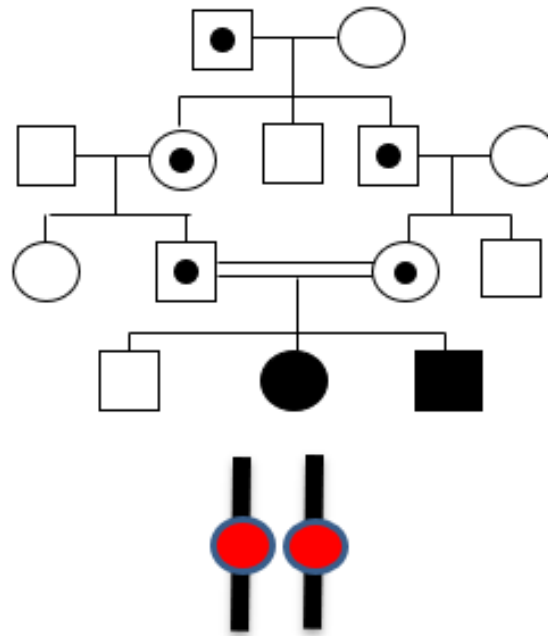
LYONISATION: inactivation mosaicism



'skewed X inactivation'

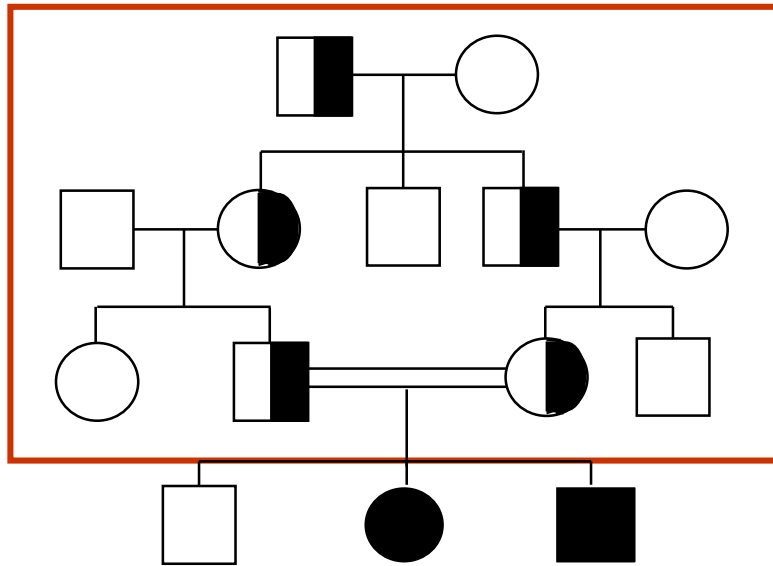


ARAS: males equally affected than females



As severe as XLAS in males. Frequent hypoacusia, eye involvement

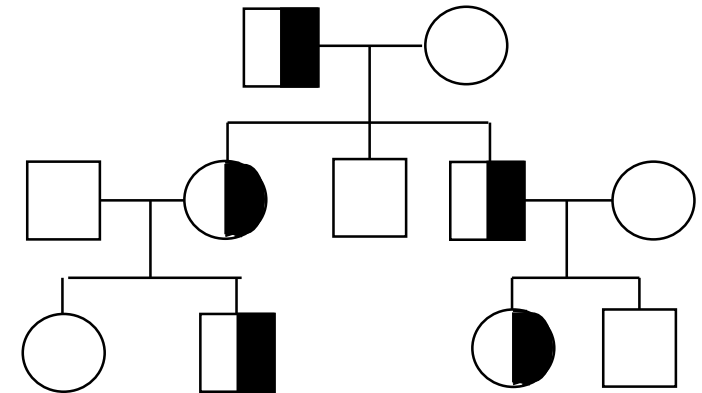
AUTOSOMAL RECESSIVE AS (ARAS)



14%

Men and women equally affected
2 mutations *COL4A3* or *COL4A4*

- Frequent Consanguinity
- Girls ESRD < 20 years



CARRIERS ARAS
HETEROZYGOTS
mutations *COL4A3* or *COL4A4*

Microhematuria
Pattern of inheritance
AUTOS. DOMINANT

Carriers ARAS



heterozygous
COL4A3 or COL4A4

AUTOS. DOM

Asymptomatic/microhematuria

Very low prevalence of ESRD

ADAS



heterozygous
COL4A3 or COL4A4

AUTOS. DOM

Proteinuria/renal failure

Moderate prevalence of ESRD

FBH/TBM

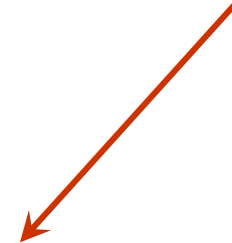


heterozygous
COL4A3 or COL4A4

AUTOS. DOM

hematuria

ESRD?



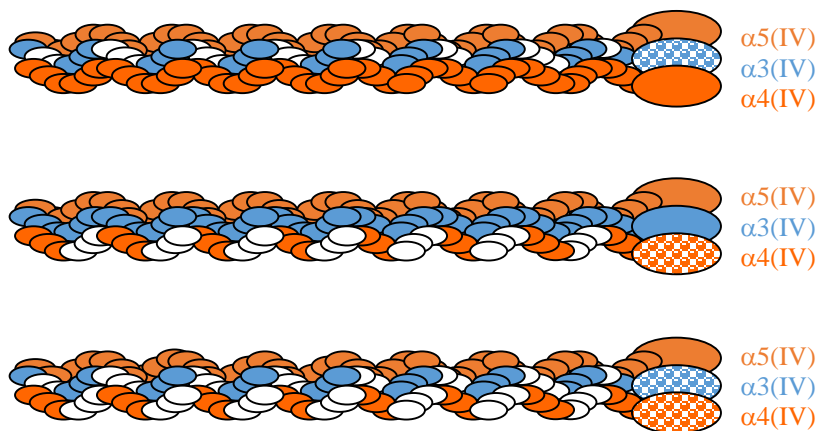
¿Is it the same disease?

Collagen type IV ($\alpha3$ – $\alpha4$) nephropathy: from isolated haematuria to renal failure

Roser Torra, Bárbara Tazón-Vega, Elisabet Ars and José Ballarín

Fundació Puigvert, Barcelona, Spain

COLLAGEN IV NEPHROPATHY ($\alpha3$ – $\alpha4$)/ADAS



VARIABLE
OUTCOME

AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT ALPORT SYNDROME

- PROS:
 - Single name for a disease caused by a mutation in either *COL4A3* or *COL4A4*
 - These patients will have access to RCT
- CONS:
 - Scaring diagnosis
 - Physicians need to be educated

Will become a much more frequent disease

Diagnostic Utility of Exome Sequencing for Kidney Disease

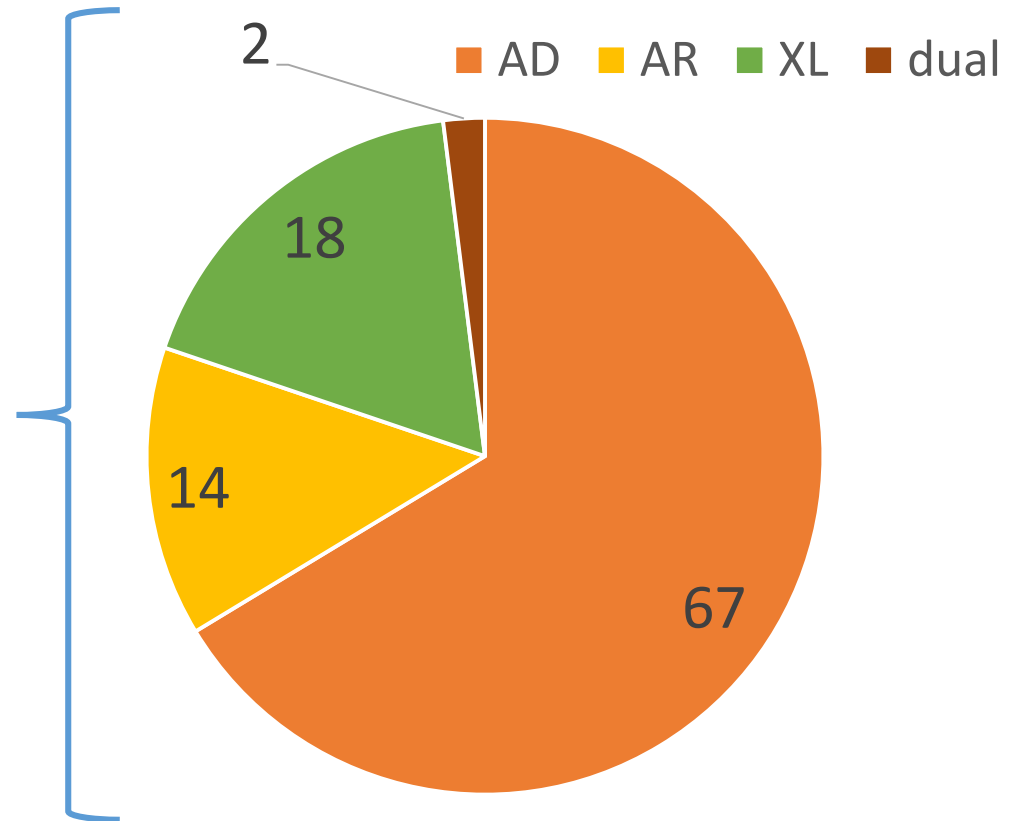
3315 patients with CKD (64% KRT)

91.6% >21 years

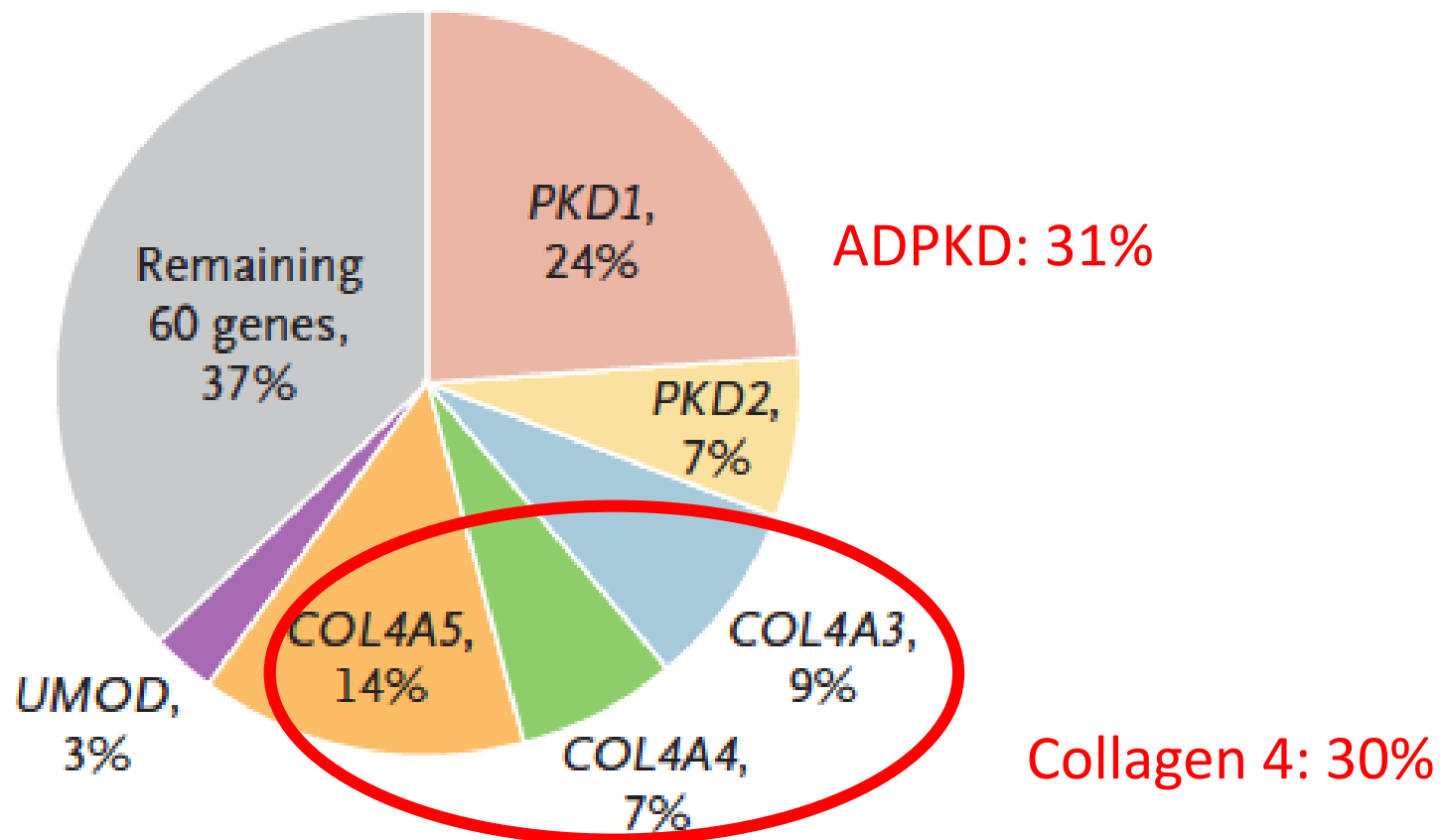
35.5% non-European ancestry

9.3% had a diagnostic variant for a **monogenic** renal disease

- 59% variants found in a single patient



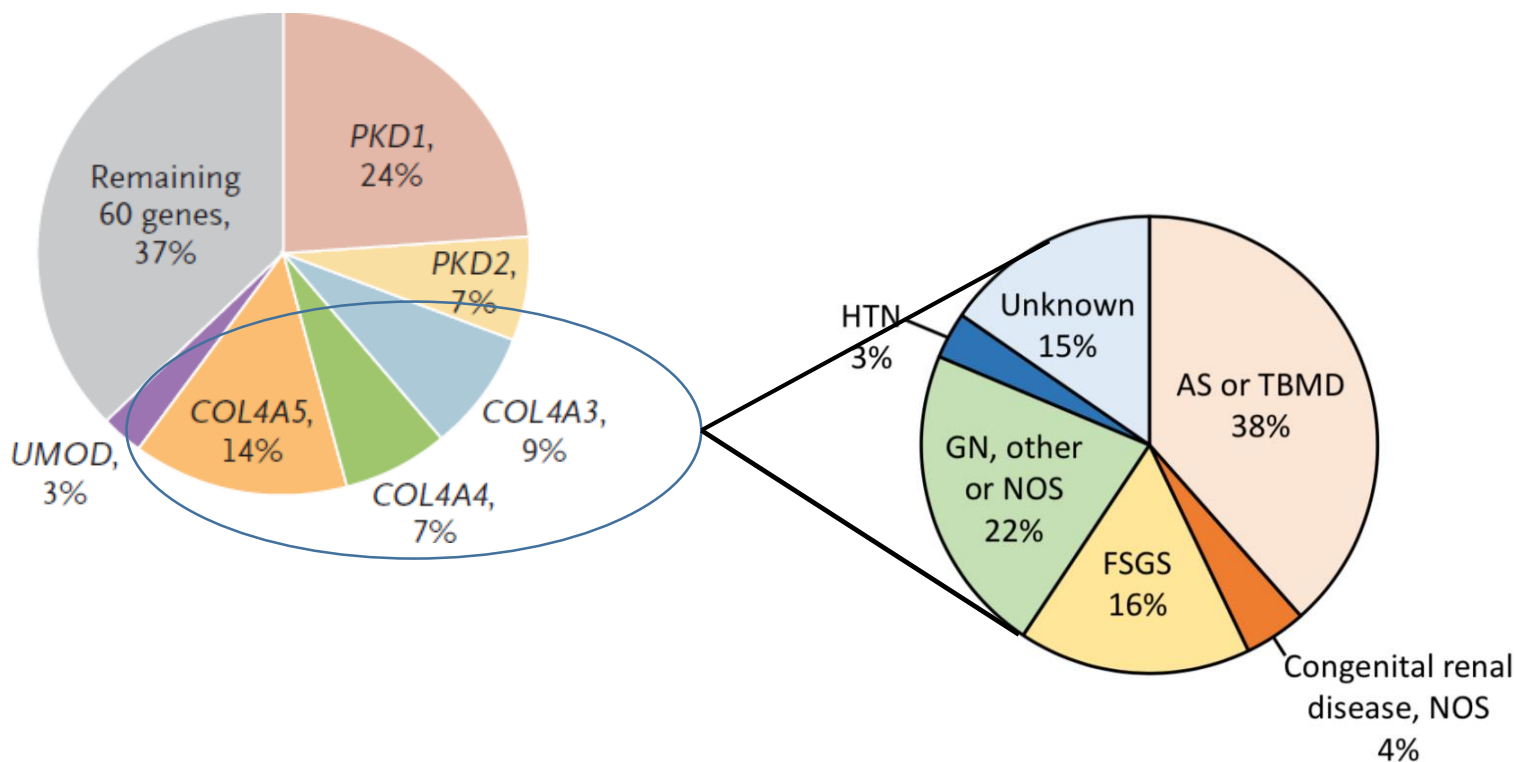
Collagen IV genes are (at least) the second cause of monogenic renal disease



But many ADAS patients may only show microhematuria and not KRT:
AS probably more frequent than ADPKD

PREVIOUS DIAGNOSIS IN PATIENTS WITH AS

Only 35 of the 91 patients (**38%**) with diagnostic variants in *COL4A3*, *COL4A4*, or *COL4A5* had a clinical diagnosis of AS or TBMD



ADAS: FROM MICROHEMATURIA

J Am Soc Nephrol 13: 1248–1254, 2002

Mutations in the *COL4A4* and *COL4A3* Genes Cause Familial Benign Hematuria

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TO FSGS

Rare hereditary COL4A3/COL4A4 variants may be mistaken for familial focal segmental glomerulosclerosis

KI 2014

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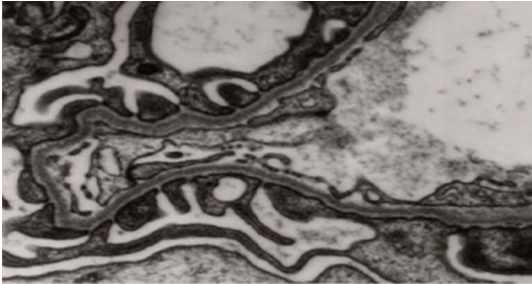
Collagen (*COL4A*) mutations are the most frequent mutations underlying adult focal segmental glomerulosclerosis

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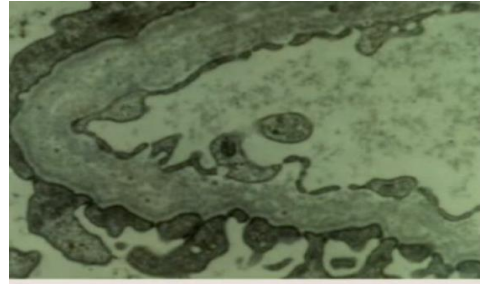
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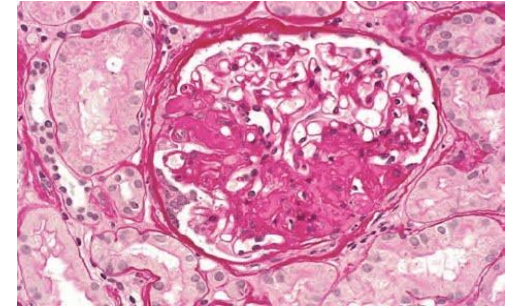
AS: PROGRESSION OF LESIONS



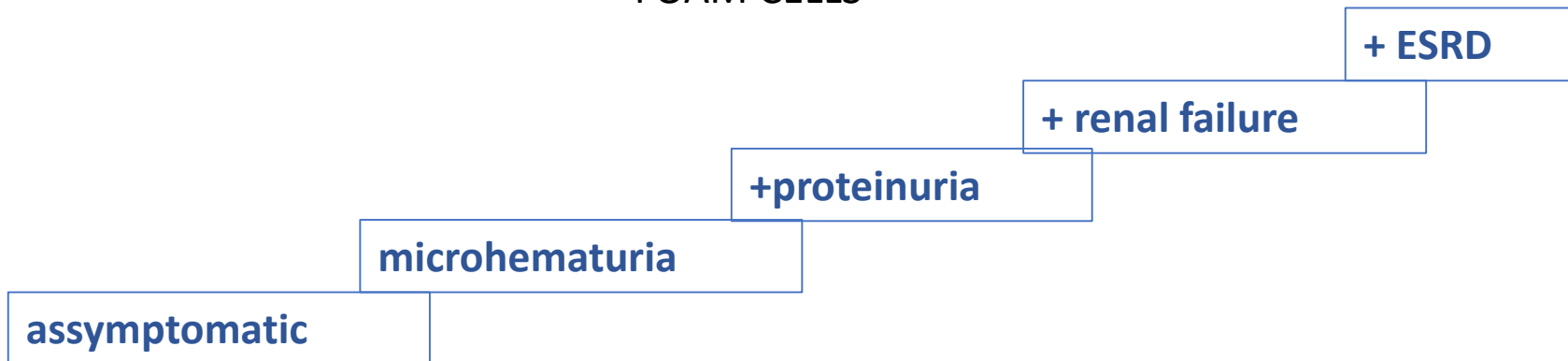
Thinning of GBM
Normal podocyte foot processes



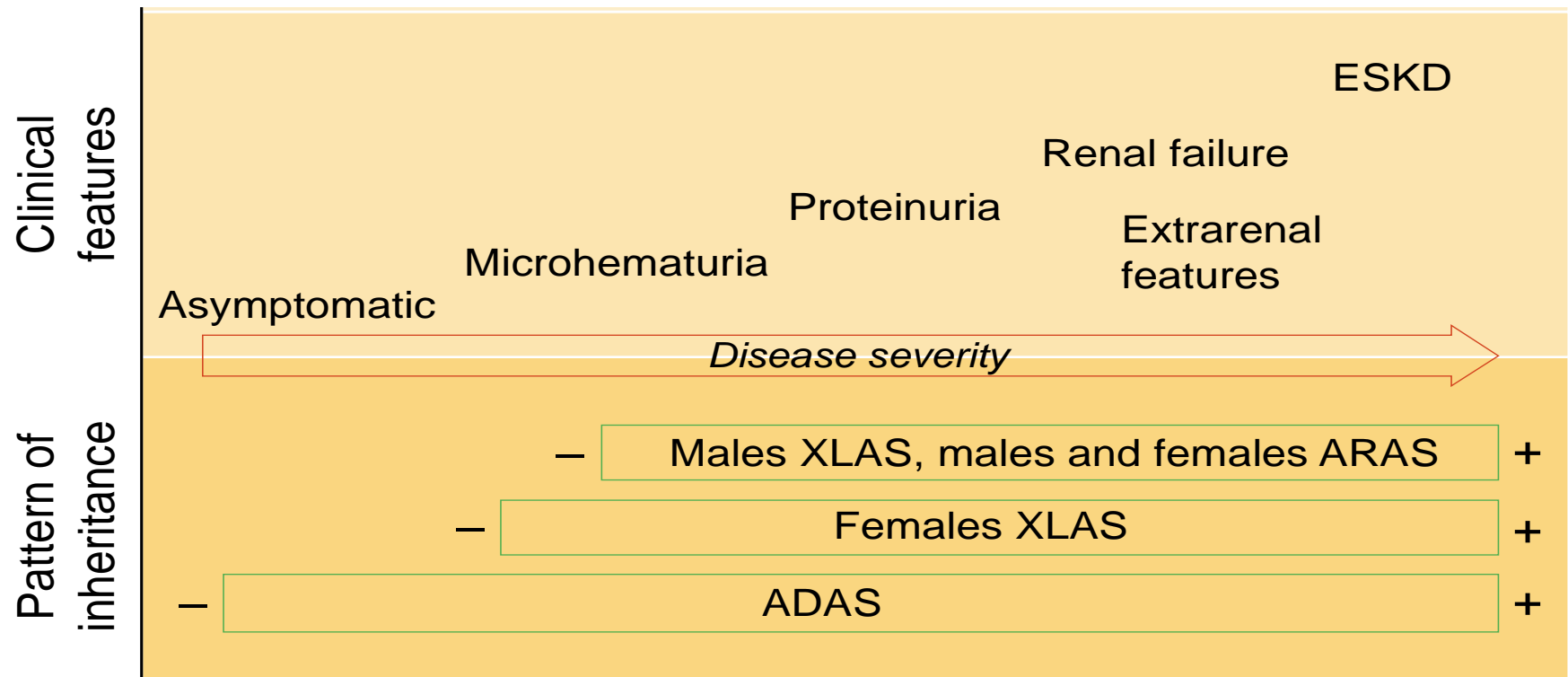
Thickening of GBM
Basket-weaving
Scalloping of epithelial surface
Podocyte effacement
FOAM CELLS



FSGS



AS HAS A WIDE PHENOTYPIC SPECTRUM

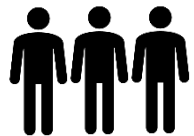


AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT ALPORT SYNDROME: cohort study

Probably the most frequent inherited nephropathy

Retrospective cohort study

BIAS



n = 252 patients
n = 82 families



92,1 % microhematuria



Spanish hospitals



Heterozygous
disease-causing
variants in *COL4A3*
and *COL4A4*

■ *COL4A4* 53% (134/252)

■ *COL4A3* 42% (106/252)

■ *Digenic Inheritance* 5%
(12/252)

Extrarenal features are rare



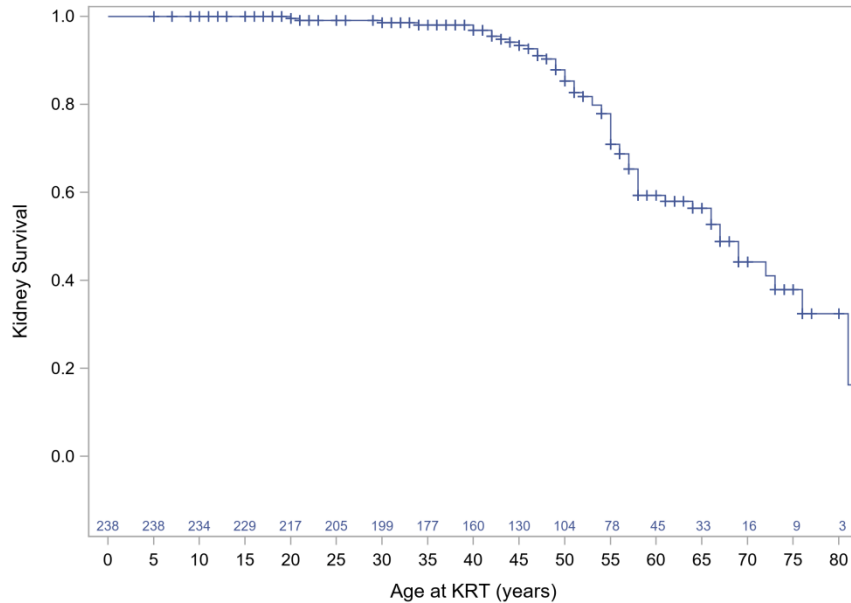
8%



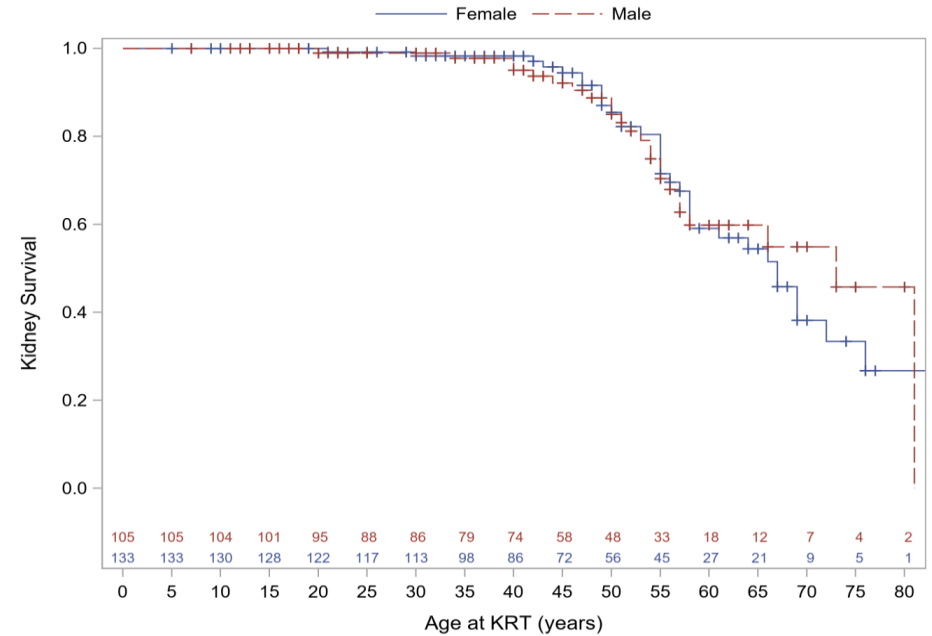
2.5 %

KIDNEY SURVIVAL IN ADAS

BIAS



67 years (IC, 58–76)

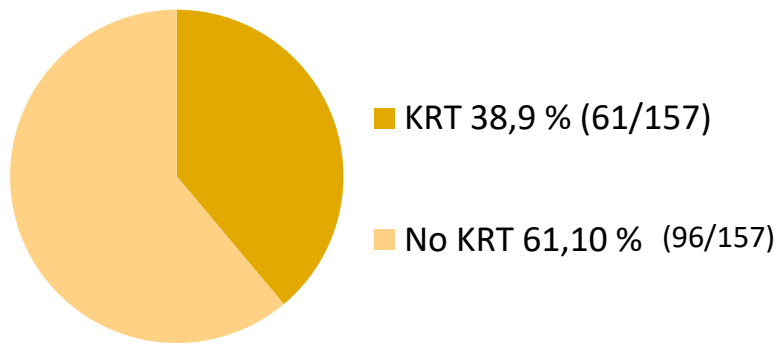


$p = 0.77$

PROTEINURIA IN ADAS

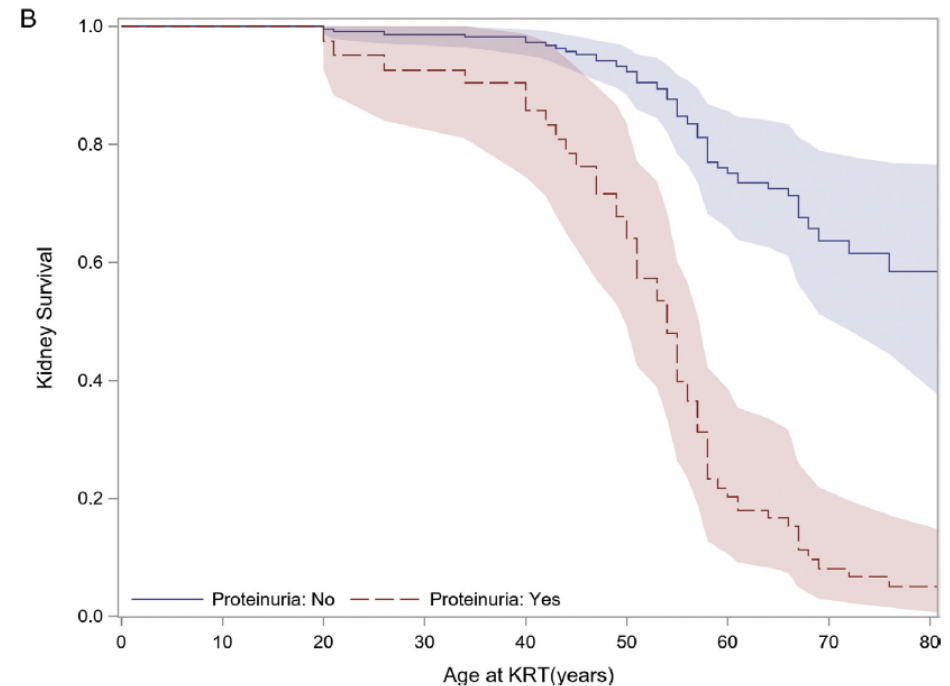
BIAS

Proteinuria and kidney replacement therapy (KRT)



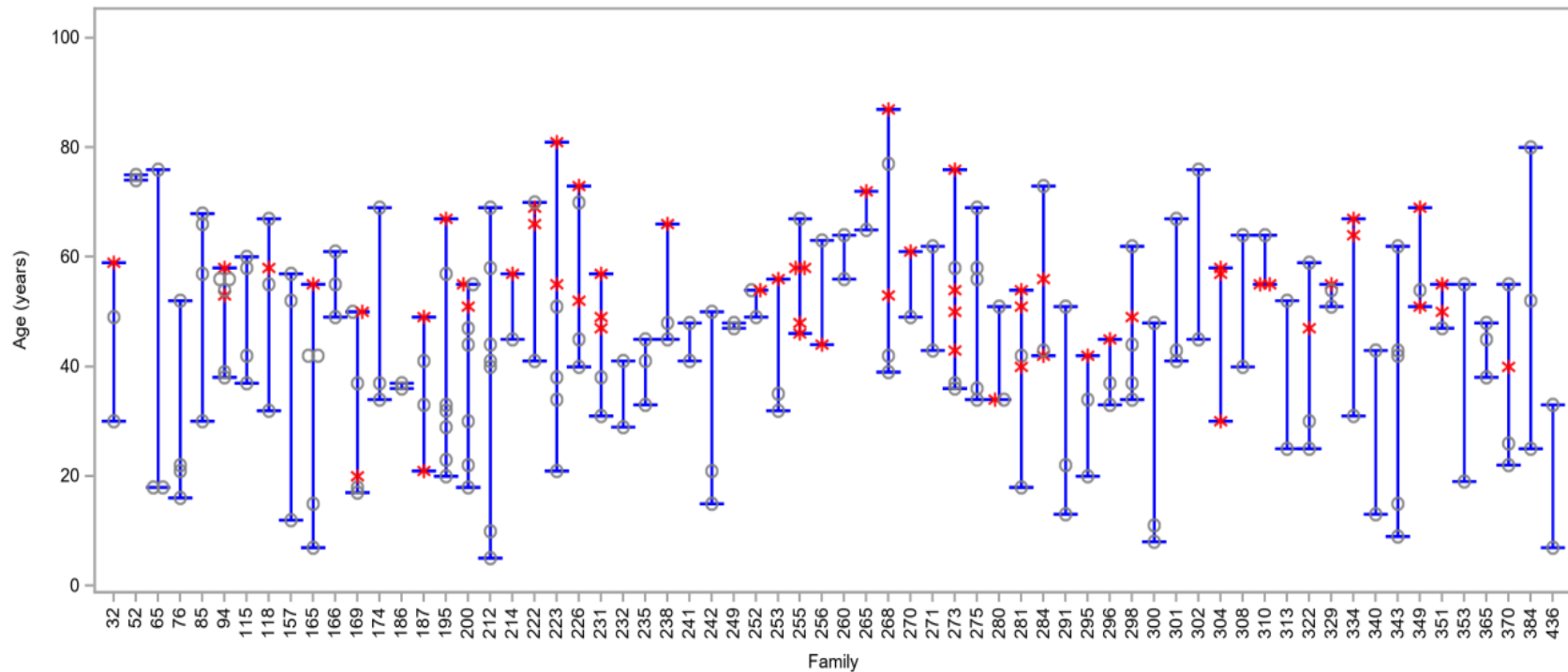
No patients without proteinuria developed chronic kidney disease

But many has just microalbuminuria



P < 0.001

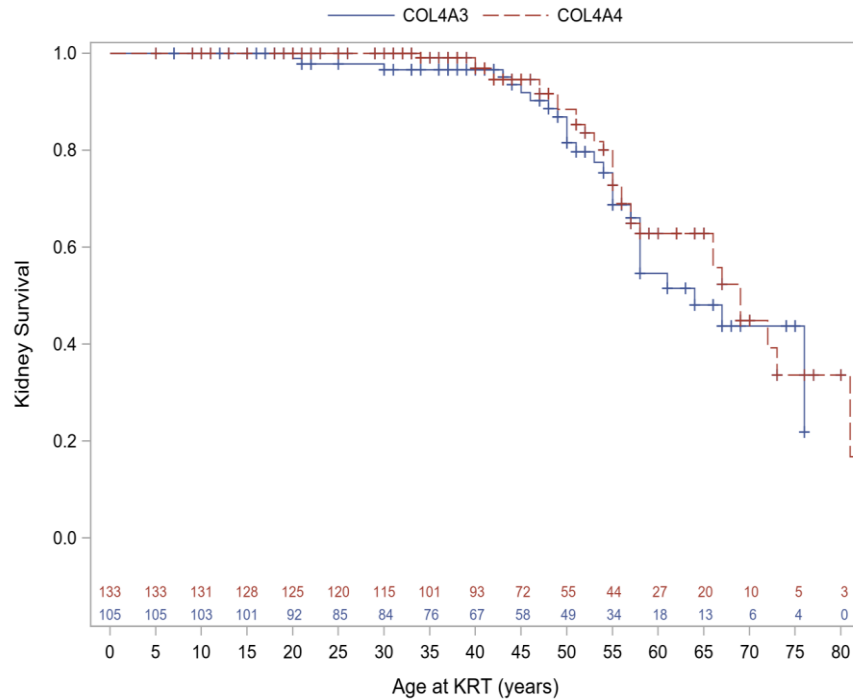
INTER- INTRAFAMILIAL VARIABILITY



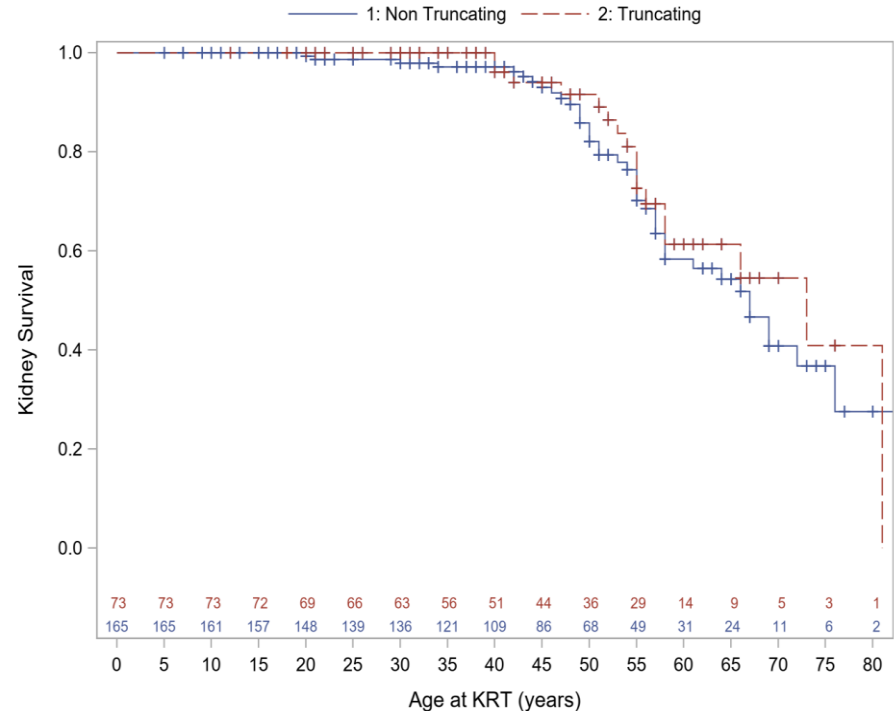
✖ Age at KRT

○ Age of patients without KRT

KIDNEY SURVIVAL BY GENE AND GENETIC VARIANTS



$p = 0.51$



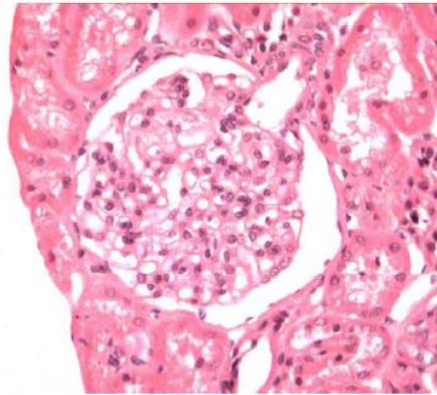
$p = 0.37$

Cohort size!!

KIDNEY LESIONS IN ADAS

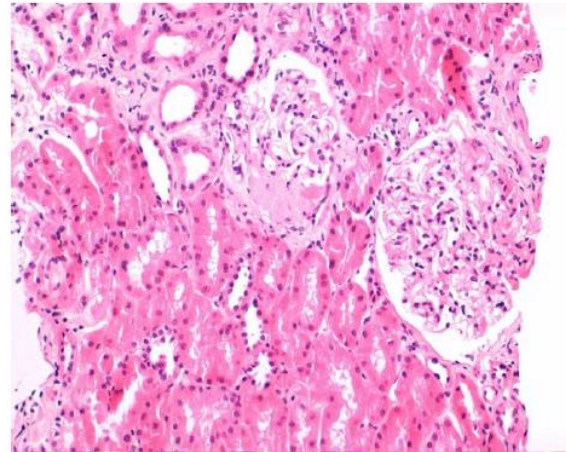
A) No glomerular abnormality

A



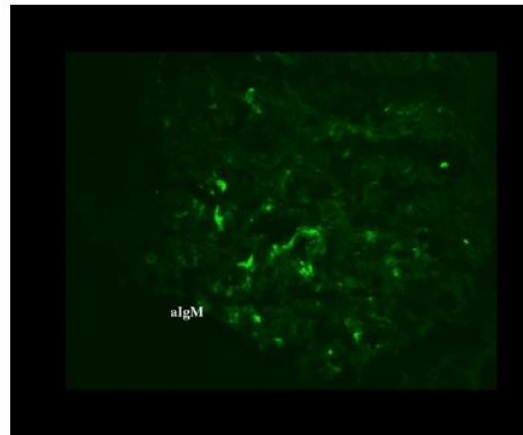
B) FSGS

B



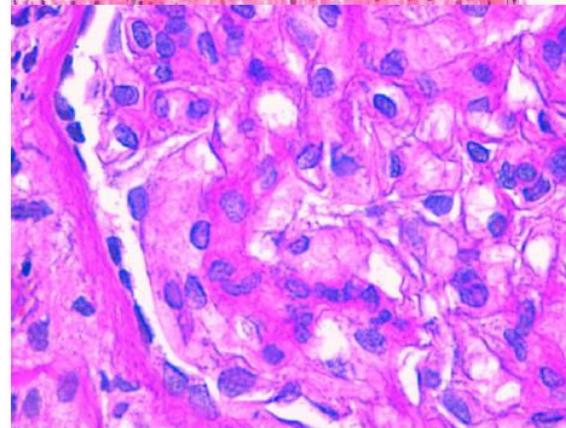
C) expansion of the mesangial matrix with unspecific IgM IF staining

C



D) expansion of the mesangial matrix with negative IF staining

D



IS IT THAT FREQUENT?

Prevalence Estimates of Predicted Pathogenic COL4A3 - COL4A5 Variants in a Population Sequencing Database and Their Implications for Alport Syndrome

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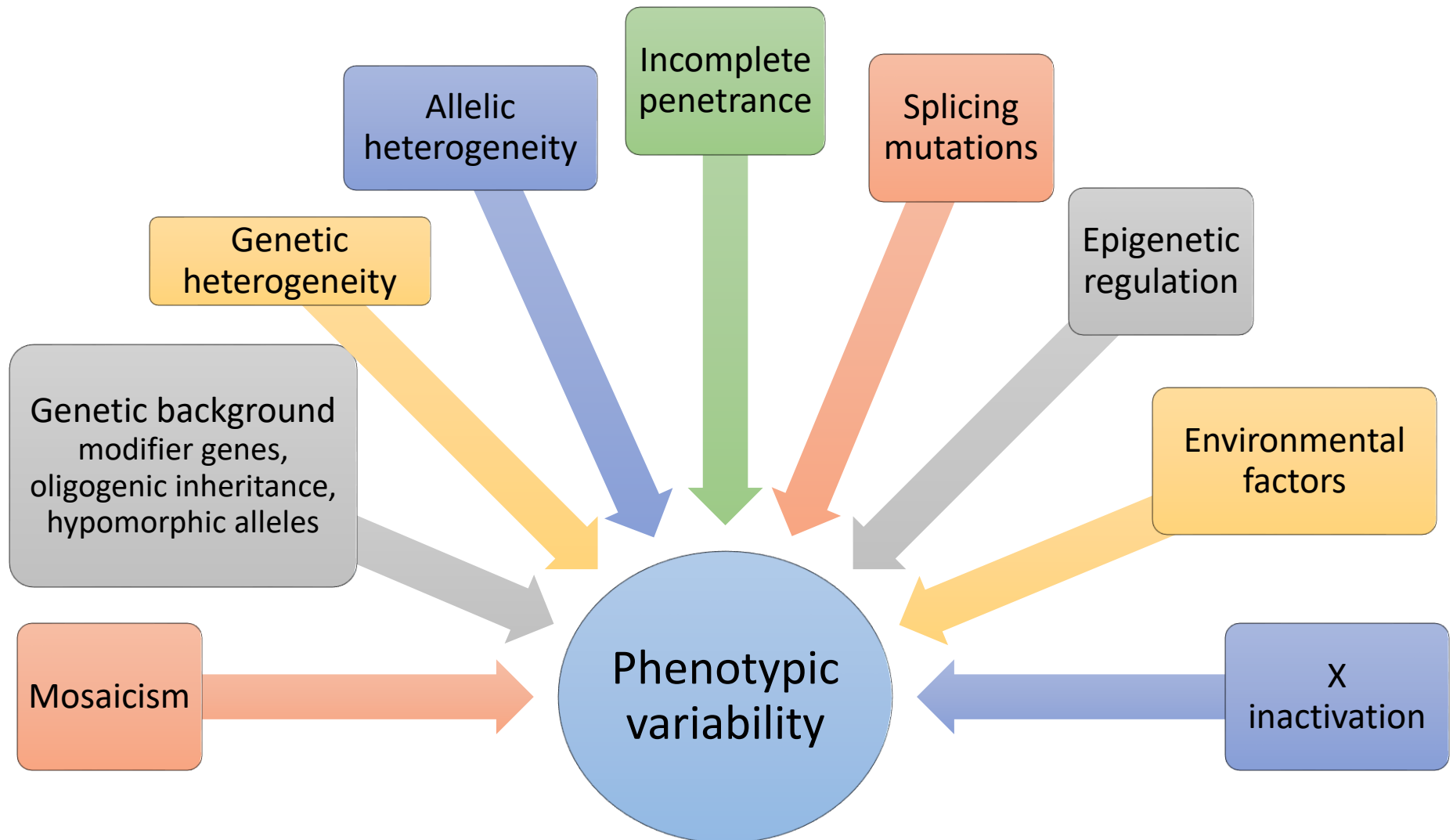
Background: This study **estimated the frequencies of predicted pathogenic COL4A3- COL4A5 variants in sequencing databases of populations *without known kidney disease***

Results:

- Predicted pathogenic heterozygous COL4A3-4 variants affected **1 in 106 individuals**
- Predicted pathogenic COL4A5 variants were found in at least..... **1 in 2320**
- Digenic variants in at least **1 in 44,793.**
- Predicted pathogenic compound heterozygous variants..... **1 in 88,866**

Conclusions: The frequencies of predicted pathogenic COL4A3-COL4A5 variants must be adjusted for the disease penetrance of individual variants, as well as the likelihood of already diagnosed disease and non-Gly substitutions. **Disease penetrance may depend on biochemical features.**

Reasons for extreme phenotypes



Genetic testing in Alport Syndrome

Pediatric Nephrology

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REVIEW



Expert consensus guidelines for the genetic diagnosis of Alport syndrome

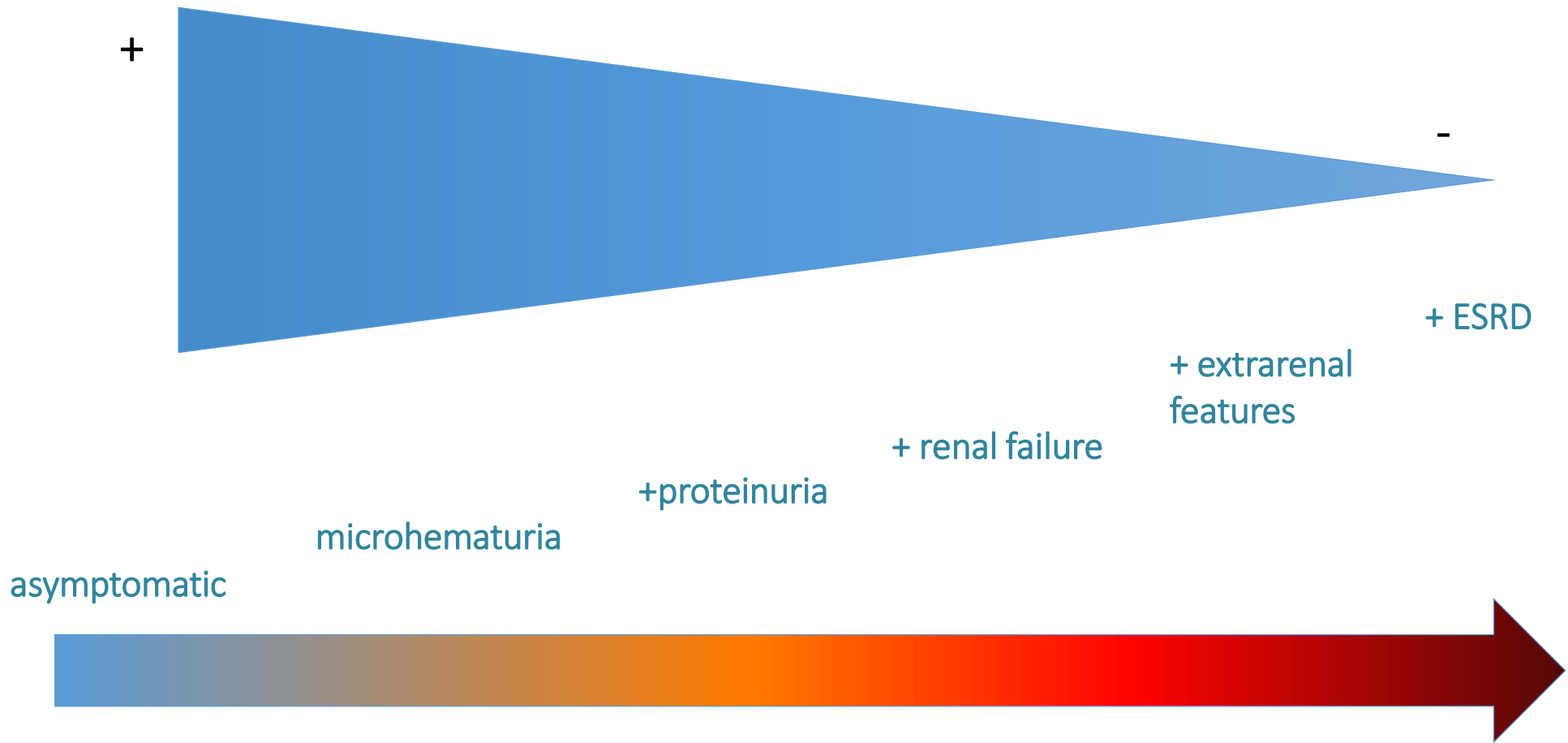
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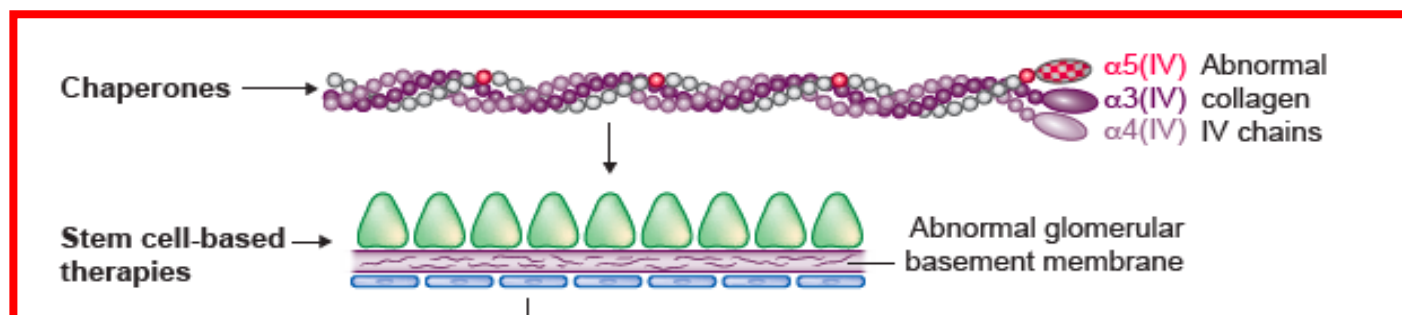
- **Genetic testing** is the **gold standard** for the **diagnosis of Alport syndrome** since it is **more sensitive and specific than renal biopsy** and provides some **predictive information** about disease severity.
- Individuals with **suspected Alport syndrome** should be offered genetic testing for mutations in all three Alport syndrome genes (**COL4A3, COL4A4, COL4A5**) and, if negative, analysis of **podocyte-related genes** is recommended. PANEL!
- Individuals with **focal segmental glomerulosclerosis** should also be offered genetic testing for mutations in **Alport genes** in addition to **podocyte-related genes**.

IMPACT OF TREATMENT

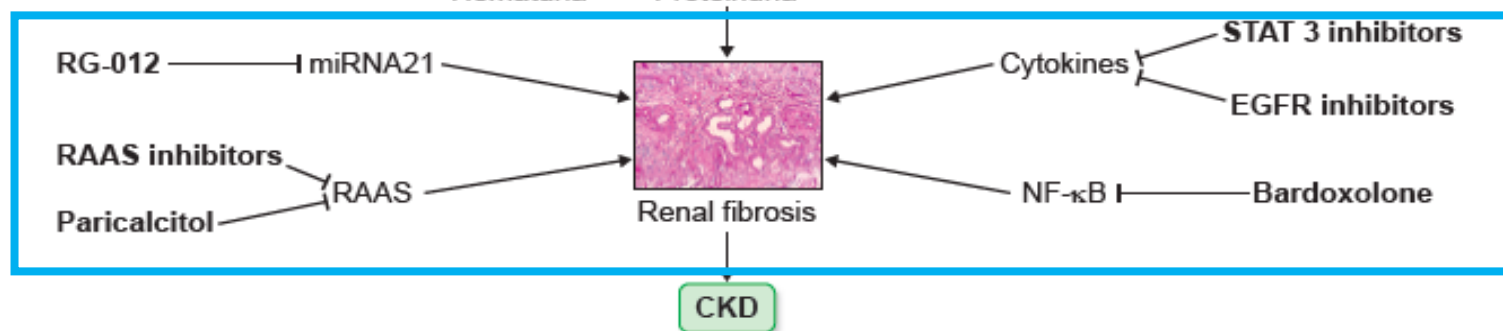


Therapeutic targets for AS

SPECIFIC



UNSPECIFIC

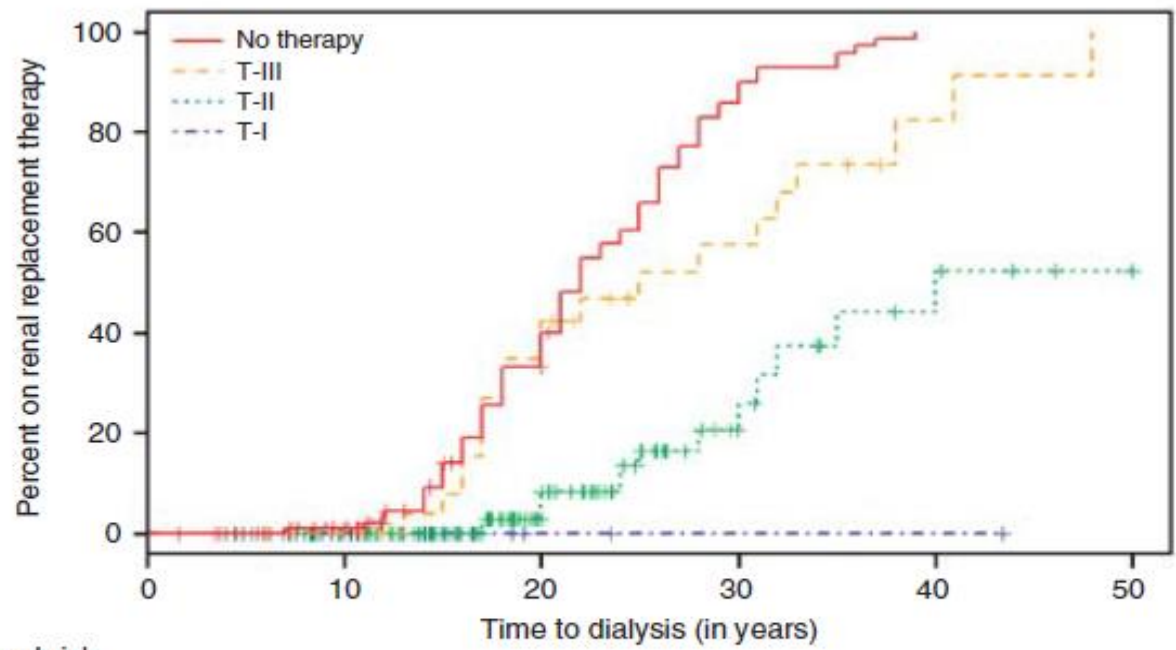


TREATMENT WITH ACEI - XLAS males or children with ARAS

Early angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibition in Alport syndrome delays renal failure and improves life expectancy

Oliver Gross¹, Christoph Licht², Hans J. Anders³, Bernd Hoppe⁴, Bodo Beck⁴, Burkhard Tönshoff⁵, Britta Höcker⁵, Simone Wygoda⁶, Jochen H.H. Ehrich⁷, Lars Pape⁷, Martin Konrad⁸, Wolfgang Rascher⁹, Jörg Dötsch⁴, Dirk E. Müller-Wiefel¹⁰, Peter Hoyer¹¹, and Study Group Members of the Gesellschaft für Pädiatrische Nephrologie (GPN), Bertrand Knebelmann¹², Yves Pirson¹³, Jean-Pierre Grunfeld¹², Patrick Niaudet¹⁴, Pierre Cochat¹⁵, Laurence Heidet¹⁶, Said Lebbah¹⁶, Roser Torra¹⁷, Tim Friede¹⁸, Katharina Lange¹⁸, Gerhard A. Müller^{1,20} and Manfred Weber^{19,20}

Antiproteinuric/atifibrotic effect



No. at risk										
No therapy	109	105	96	75	50	29	10	5	0	0
T-III	26	26	26	25	17	10	8	5	2	1
T-II	115	113	105	84	52	31	15	9	7	4
T-I	33	32	20	8	2	1	1	1	1	0

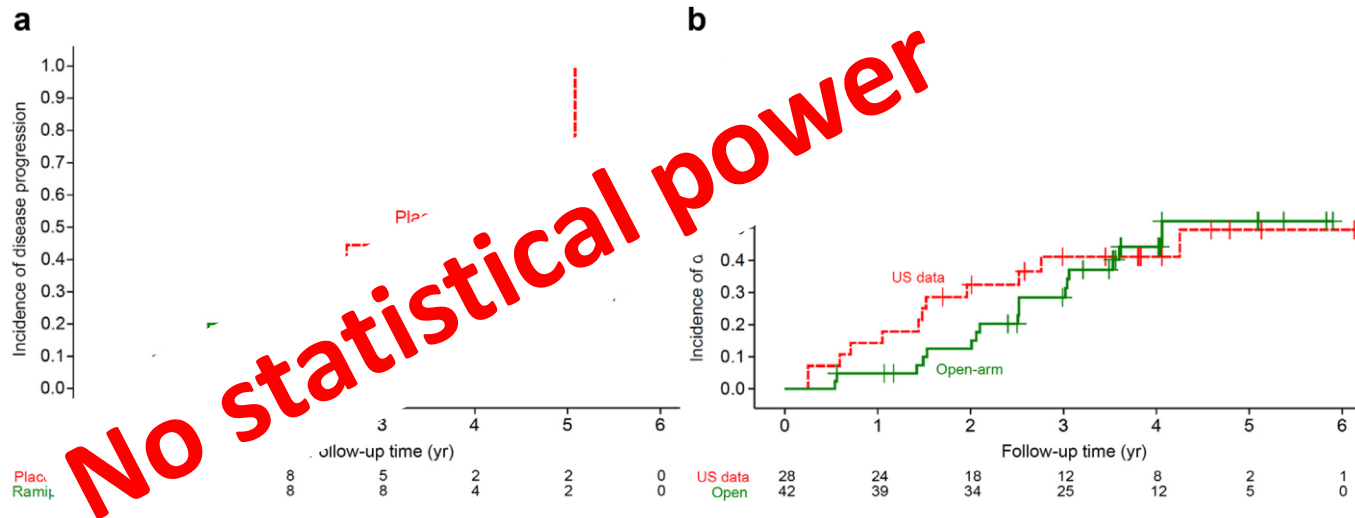
- T-1: Inicio de tratamiento con microhemturia o MAU
- T-2: Inicio de tratamiento con proteinuria>0.3 g/d
- T-3: Inicio de tratamiento en ERC estadios 3-4
- No T: sin tratamiento antes de diálisis o TR

ACEI in children

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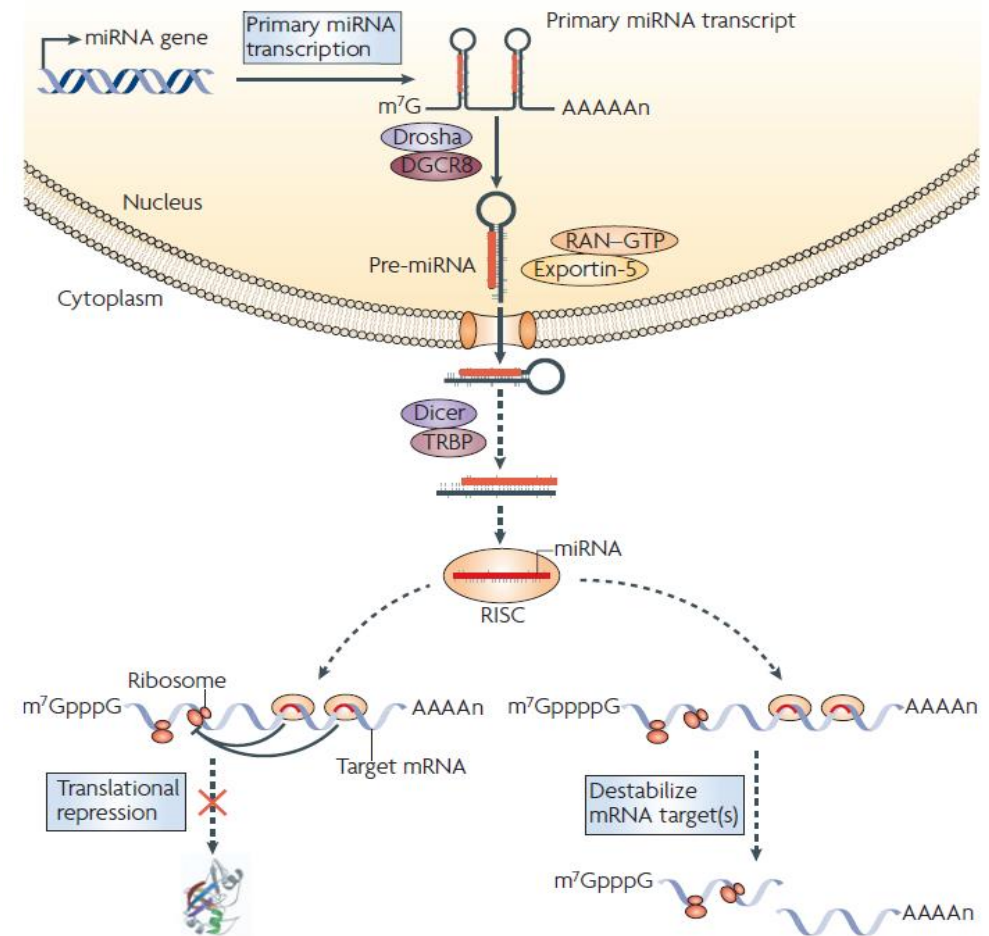


Early prospective Therapy Trial to Delay Renal Failure in Children with Alport Syndrome Ramipril versus Placebo



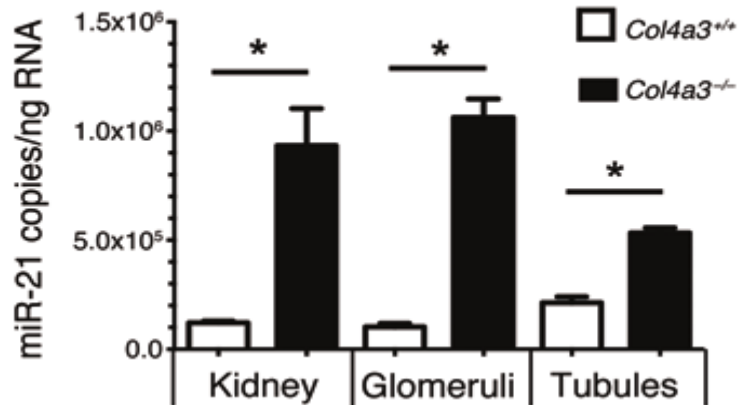
microRNA (miRNA)

microRNAs (miRNAs): small non-coding RNAs that can regulate gene expression post-transcriptionally by affecting the degradation and translation of target mRNAs

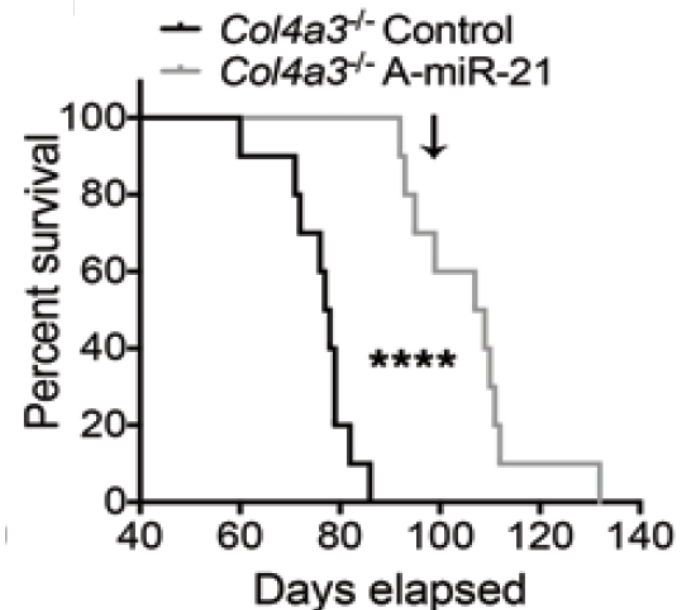


Anti-miRNA-21 prevents Alport nephropathy progression

miR-21 contributes to the pathogenesis of fibrogenic diseases in multiple organs, including the kidneys, by silencing metabolic pathways that are critical for cellular ATP generation, ROS production, and inflammatory signaling.



mRNA 21 is upregulated in AS mice

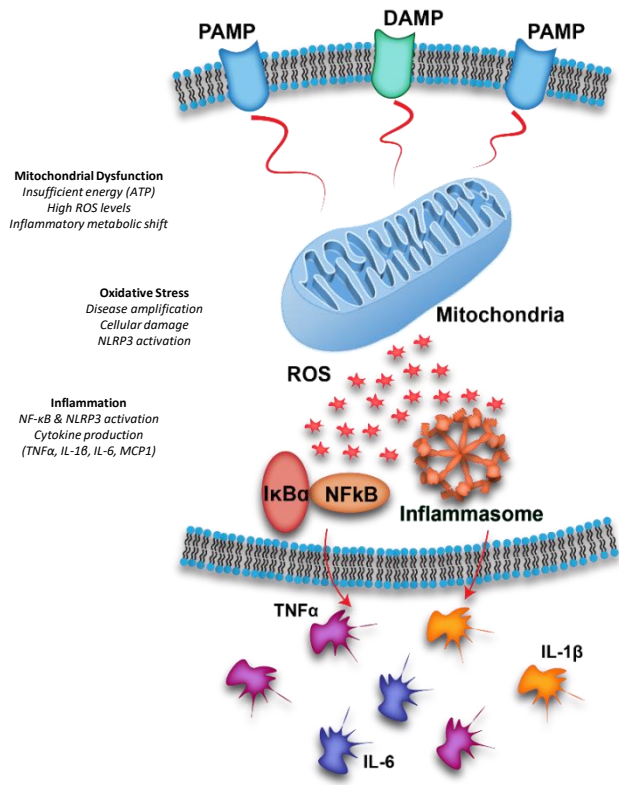


anti-miRNA-21



- Orphan drug designation
- Observational study: ATHENA
- Phase 1: Good safety profile but investigating unexpected mouse chronic toxicity. Investigations in primates.
- Sanofi taking over Phase 2 trial: HERA ongoing

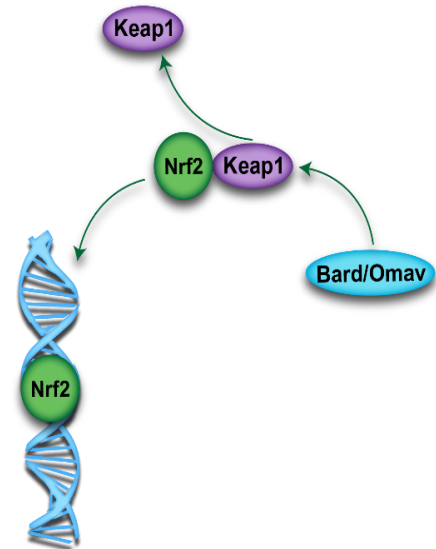
Disease Triggers
Autoimmunity, Mutations, Cellular damage (DAMPs), Infection (PAMPs), Cytokines



Disease Deficits

Acute	Chronic
Decreased 6MWD	Abnormal
Decreased eGFR	
Decreased muscular function	
proliferation	
Tissue remodeling	
Fibrosis (TGFβ)	

- Increased Energy Production**
 - Increased ATP, NADH, FADH₂ production
 - Mitochondrial biogenesis
 - Anti-inflammatory metabolic shift
- Antioxidant activity**
 - Glutathione & NADPH
 - SOD, TRX, GRX, PRX, GPX
 - NLRP3 inhibition
 - Redox homeostasis
- Anti-inflammatory activity**
 - IκBα/NF-κB & NLRP3 inhibition
 - Cytokine suppression
 - (TNFα, IL-1β, IL-6, MCP1)
 - Resolution of inflammation



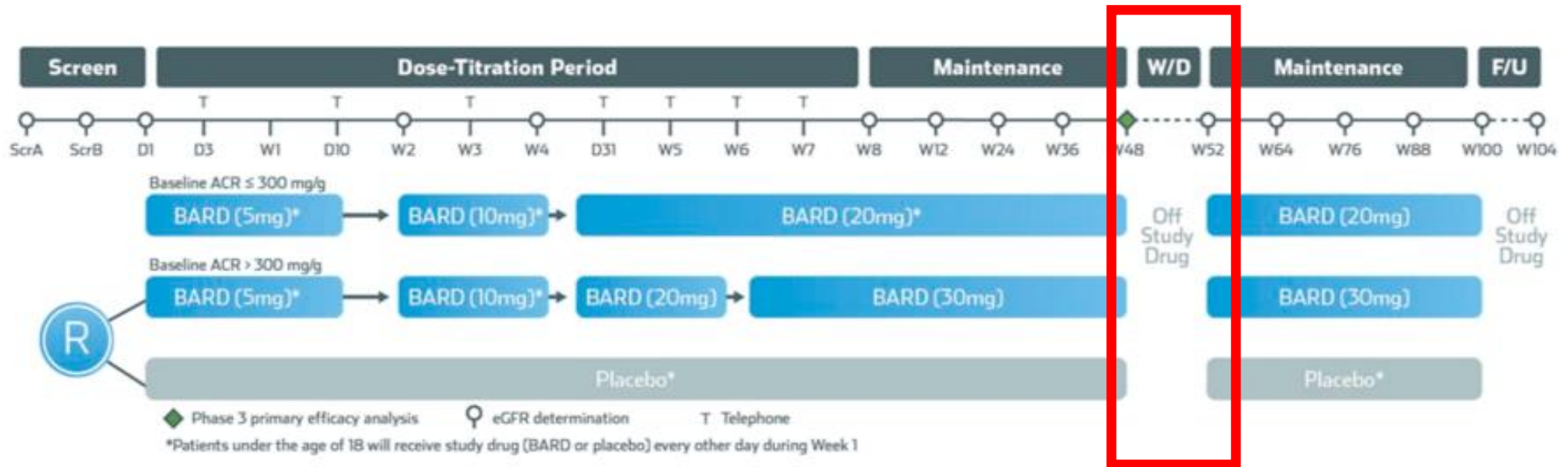
Potential Amelioration of Acute and Chronic Disease Deficits

- Physiological**
- May **acutely** improve **organ function**
 - May **chronically** reduce **fibrosis and remodeling**

BARDOXOLONE

CARDINAL: fase 3.

- International, double blind, randomized, 12-70 years, GFR 30-90
- Bardoxolone methyl (n=77) or placebo (n=80).





What You Will Hear Today

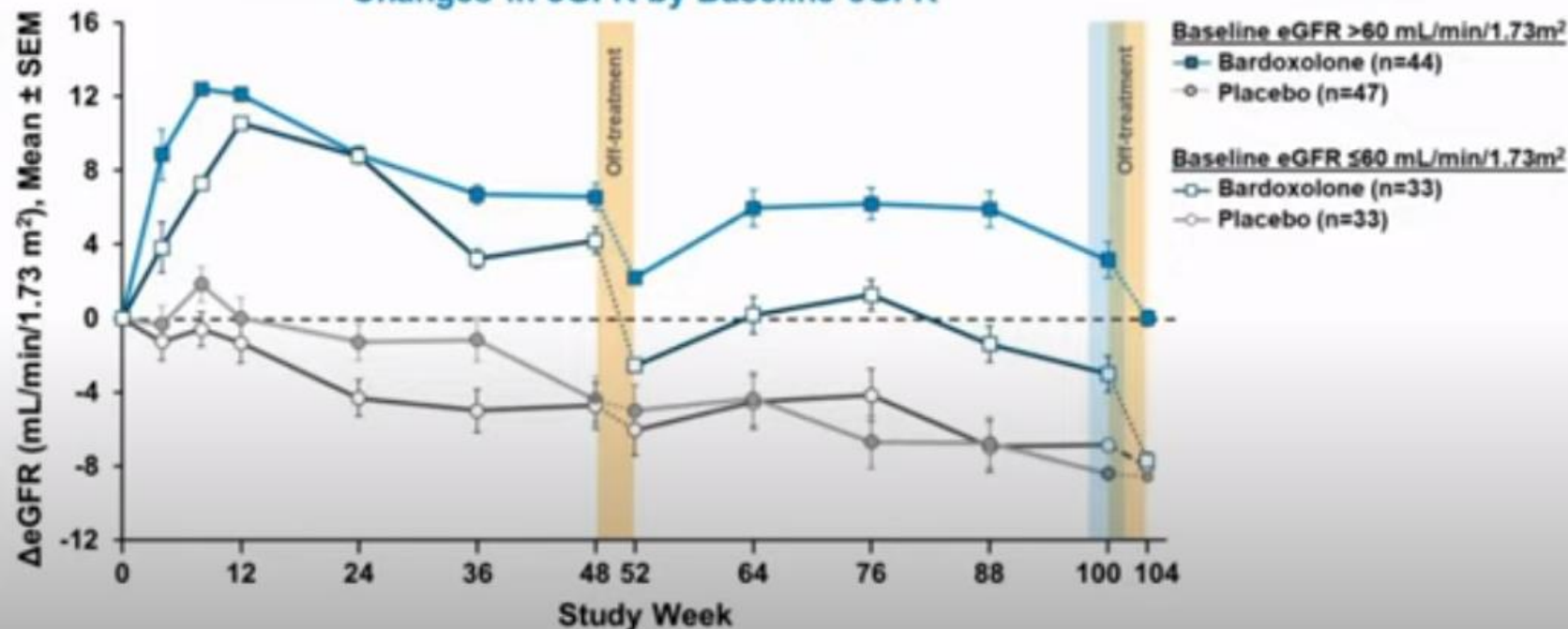
Medical Need	Urgent need in this rare, serious and rapidly progressive kidney disease
Study Design	Appropriate design and off-treatment duration
Efficacy	Robust, consistent, clinically meaningful slowing of CKD progression
Safety	Safety and tolerability profile well defined, clinically manageable
Benefit/Risk	Positive benefit/risk in patients with Alport syndrome



eGFR Summary by Baseline eGFR

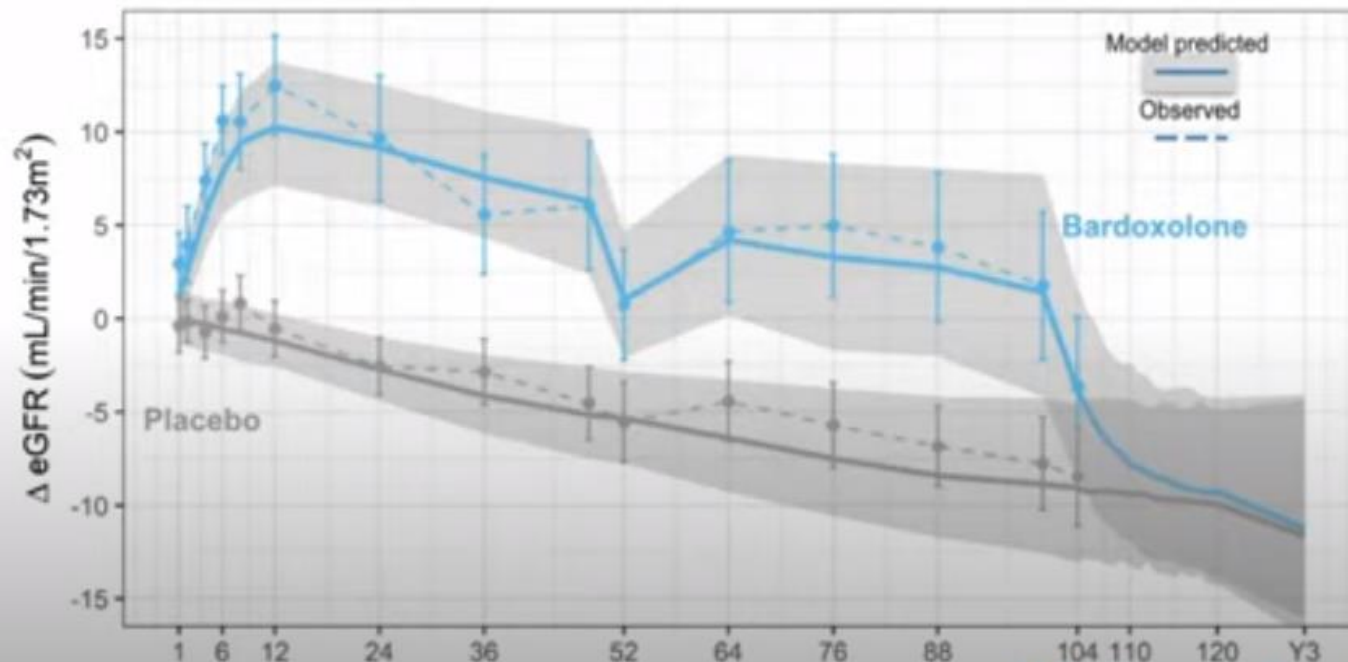
Study 1603 Phase 3

Changes in eGFR by Baseline eGFR





Model: Washout of PD Effect Longer than 4 Weeks





February 2022



- The **FDA cannot approve the new drug application in its present form**. Based on its review, the FDA concluded that it **does not believe** the submitted data demonstrates that bardoxolone is **effective in slowing the loss of kidney function in patients with Alport syndrome** and reducing the risk of progression to kidney failure and has requested additional data to support the efficacy and safety of bardoxolone.
- Major **efficacy** concerns:
 - adequacy of off-treatment duration to assess resolution of **acute pharmacodynamic effect**
 - **lack of divergence** in on-treatment eGFR change from baseline between Week 48 and Week 100
- Major **safety** concerns:
 - Clinically relevant effect on the **QT interval**
 - **Lack of weight gain** in adolescents and possible **impact on growth**
- **Reata** will continue to seek FDA advice regarding the path forward for BRD in AS, in ADPKD and will continue to enroll patients in FALCON and continue to dose patients with AS and ADPKD in EAGLE (the extended access study).

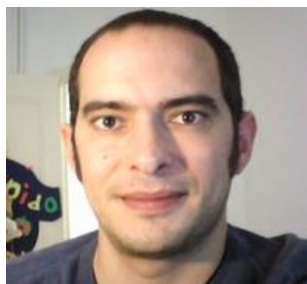
Take home messages

- The GBM is a major contributor to the size selectivity of the glomerular filter
- The composition of the GBM changes during glomerulogenesis to permit proper development and filtration function.
- Mutations in collagen IV genes give rise to a wide spectrum of disease ranging from microhematuria to ESKD with/without extrarenal features (eye, ear).
- Pathogenic *COL4A5* variants are highly penetrant for hematuria and renal failure in males and for hematuria in females.
- The penetrance of persistent hematuria with *COL4A3* and *COL4A4* variants is about 70% and the penetrance of a thinned GBM, FSGS, and renal impairment are not known.
- AS phenotype ADAS is underdiagnosed, but women with XLAS also
- AS is the second (???) more prevalent genetic kidney disease after ADPKD.
- It should be suspected in familial proteinuric-hematuric nephropathies, non immunological-non secondary FSGS (specially if there is hematuria).
- Genetic testing is the only certain diagnostic tool for the disease.



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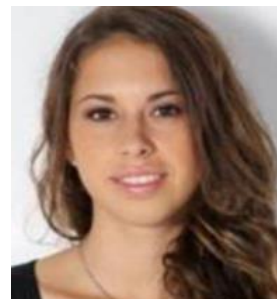
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17:35 -17:50 **Tubulopathies**

17:50-18:05 **Atypical haemolytic-uraemic syndrome**

18:05-18:15 **ADPKD**

18:15-18:30 **Congenital anomalies of the kidney and the urinary tract (CAKUT)**

Questions will be **translated** into all major European languages

Please **forward** this invitation to other patients and families with rare kidney diseases that might be interested in our experts' opinions and advice!



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Jelena Stojanovic (London, UK)

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Tom Nijenhuis (Nijmegen, Netherlands)

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