

The past, present and future of paediatric renal stone disease.



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Background

Fluids

Citrate

Magnesium

Macromolecules 
eg TH protein

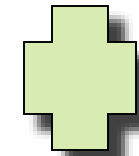
Nephrocalcinin

H⁺

Infection

Ca

Oxalate

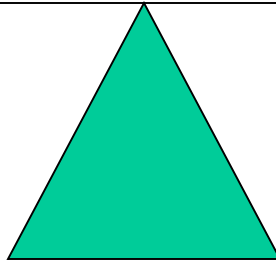


Uric acid

Cystine

Poor urine
flow

H⁺



Physical Chemistry

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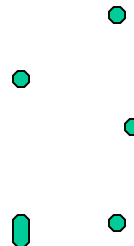


2. Activity product

UNDERSATURATED

METASTABLE

LABILE



SOLUBILITY
PRODUCT

FORMATION
PRODUCT



Childhood urolithiasis in Britain

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Ghazali, S., Barratt, T. M., and Williams, D. I. (1973). *Archives of Disease in Childhood*, **48**, 291. **Childhood urolithiasis in Britain.** 120 children with urinary calculi were treated between 1966 and 1971. 75% were male, and the median age of diagnosis was 3 years. In 34 there were associated urological abnormalities and in 8 a metabolic cause of calculi was identified. 12 of 67 children had hypercalciuria. In 95 children the urine was infected on admission to hospital; in 76, particularly the younger children, this was with *Proteus* species. Calculi recurred after surgery in 13 children, and in 9 the only identifiable factor was failure to eradicate the *Proteus* infection.



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Epidemiology of paediatric renal stone disease in the UK

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Background: The previous epidemiological study of paediatric nephrolithiasis in Britain was conducted more than 30 years ago.

Aims: To examine the presenting features, predisposing factors, and treatment strategies used in paediatric stones presenting to a British centre over the past five years.

Methods: A total of 121 children presented with a urinary tract renal stone, to one adult and one paediatric centre, over a five year period (1997-2001). All children were reviewed in a dedicated stone clinic and had a full infective and metabolic stone investigative work up. Treatment was assessed by retrospective hospital note review.

Results: A metabolic abnormality was found in 44% of children, 30% were classified as infective, and 26% idiopathic. Bilateral stones on presentation occurred in 26% of the metabolic group compared to 12% in the infective/idiopathic group (odds ratio 2.7, 95% CI 1.03 to 7.02). Coexisting urinary tract infection was common (49%) in the metabolic group. Surgically, minimally invasive techniques (lithotripsy, percutaneous nephrolithotomy, and endoscopy) were used in 68% of patients.

Conclusions: There has been a shift in the epidemiology of paediatric renal stone disease in the UK over the past 30 years. Underlying metabolic causes are now the most common but can be masked by coexisting urinary tract infection. Treatment has progressed, especially surgically, with sophisticated minimally invasive techniques now employed. All children with renal stones should have a metabolic screen.

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

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Epidemiology of paediatric renal stone disease: a 22-year single centre experience in the UK

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Abstract

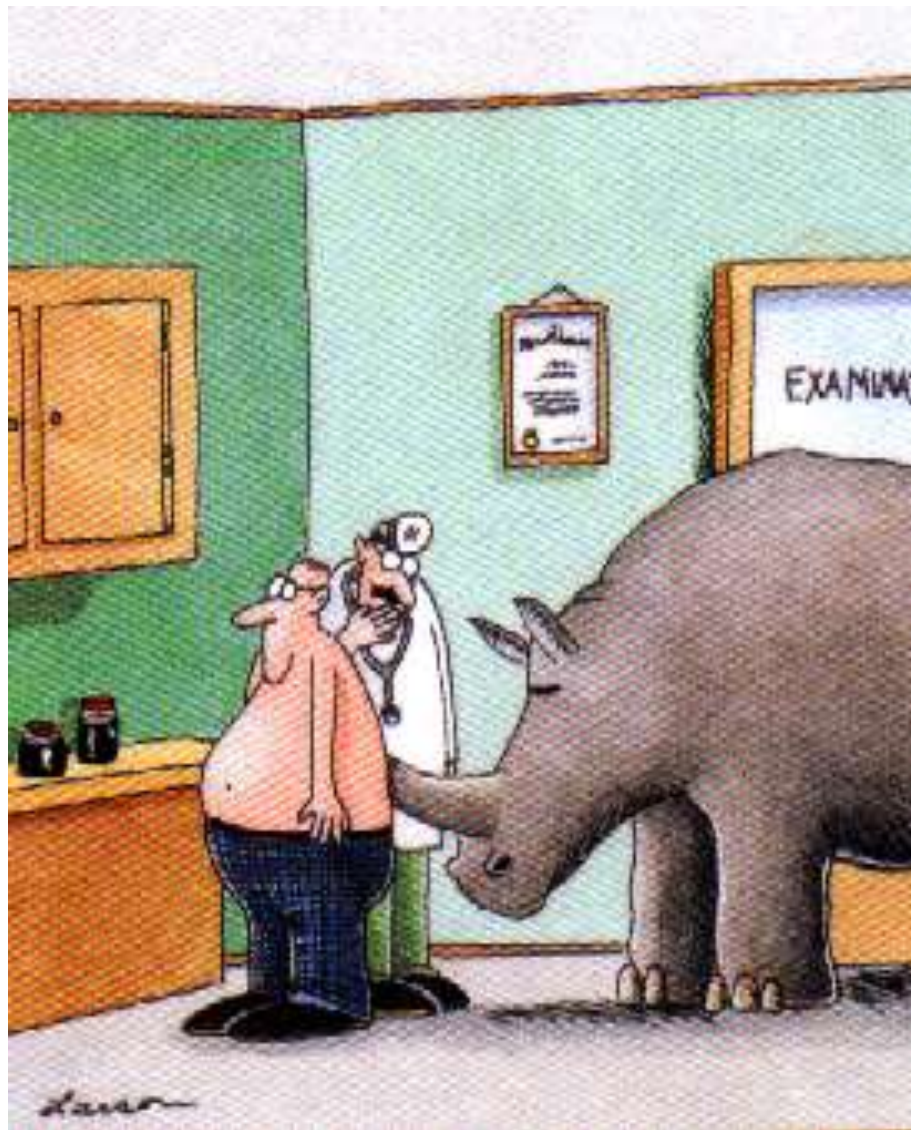
Background: Whilst still rare, the incidence of paediatric stone disease is increasing in developed countries and it is important to evaluate the aetiology. We set up a dedicated renal stone service for children combining medical and surgical expertise in 1993 and now have a large case series of children to investigate the epidemiology.

Methods: A retrospective hospital note review of children presenting with kidney stones during the last 22 years (1993–2015) was conducted. All patients had a comprehensive infective and metabolic screen and were classified as metabolic, infective or idiopathic stone disease.

Results: Five hundred eleven patients (322 male) were reviewed. The median age of presentation was 4.4y for males (1 m–16.6y) and 7.3y (1–18.5y) for females with a median height and weight on the 25th centile for male and on 10th and 25th for female, respectively. One hundred seventy five (34%) had an underlying metabolic abnormality, 112 (22%) had infective stones and 224 (44%) were classified as idiopathic. Of the 175 patients with a metabolic abnormality: 91 (52%) had hypercalciuria (76 persistent and 15 transient), 37 (21%) hyperoxaluria, 38 (22%) cystinuria, 3 (2%) abnormalities in the purine metabolism and the remainder other metabolic abnormalities. Bilateral stones occurred in 27% of the metabolic group compared to 16% in the non-metabolic group (OR 0.2, $p < 0.05$). Urinary tract infection was a common complication (27%) in the metabolic group.

Conclusions: In this paper, we present the largest cohort of paediatric stone disease reported from a developed country giving details on both, clinical and laboratory data. We show that in the majority of the patients there is an identifiable underlying metabolic and/or infective aetiology emphasizing the importance of a full work up to provide adequate treatment and prevent recurrence. Moreover, we show that stone disease in children, in contrast to the adult population, does not seem to be associated with obesity, as children have a weight below average at presentation.

Keywords: Epidemiology, Stone disease, Nephrolithiasis, Hypercalciuria, Growth

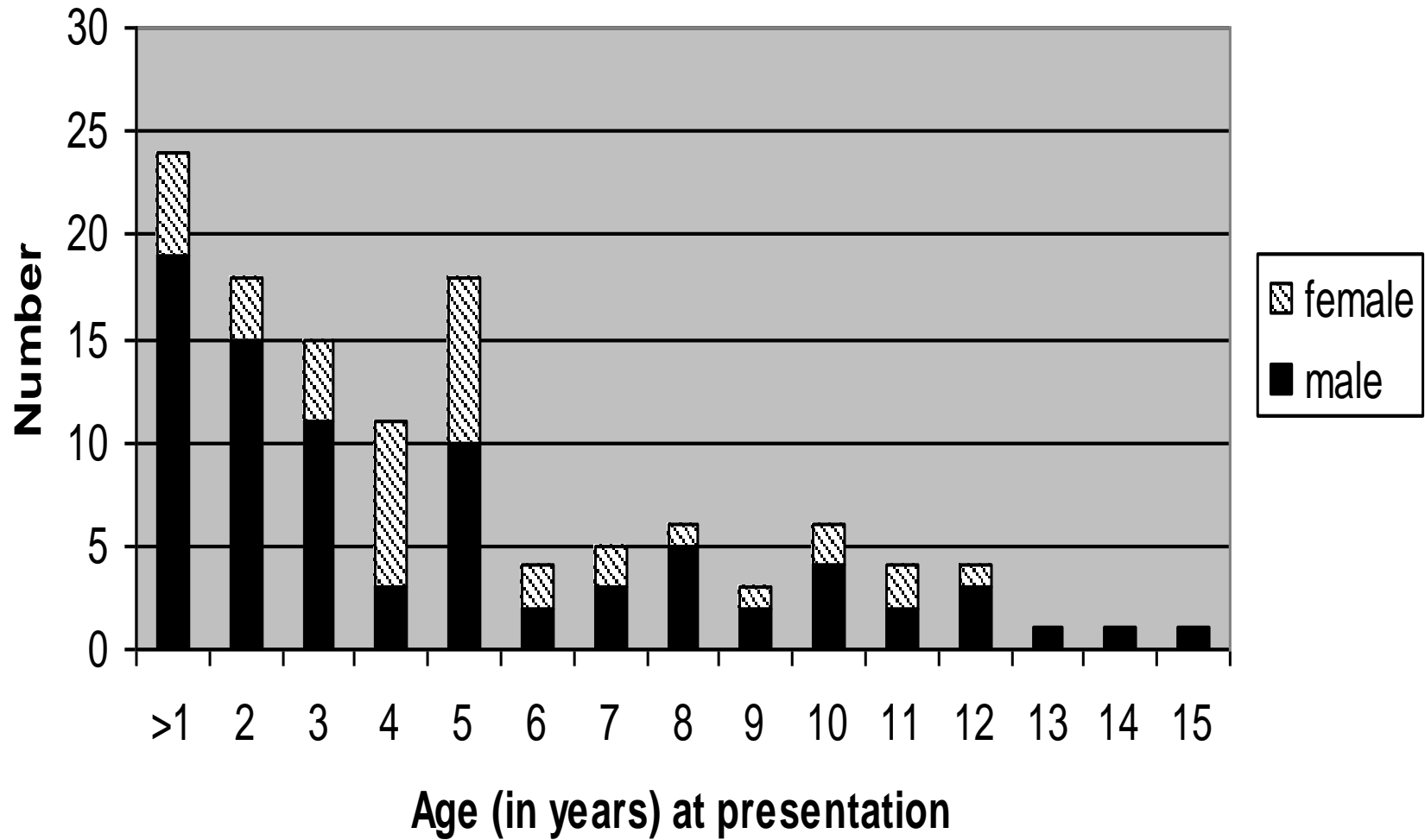


Well Sir, it may not be renal stones after all.

Presenting features

- Haematuria in 60%
- Vomiting in 22%
- Abdominal pain 55%
- Presenting UTI 44%
- Mean Ht and wt 30th C.
- 16% asymptomatic

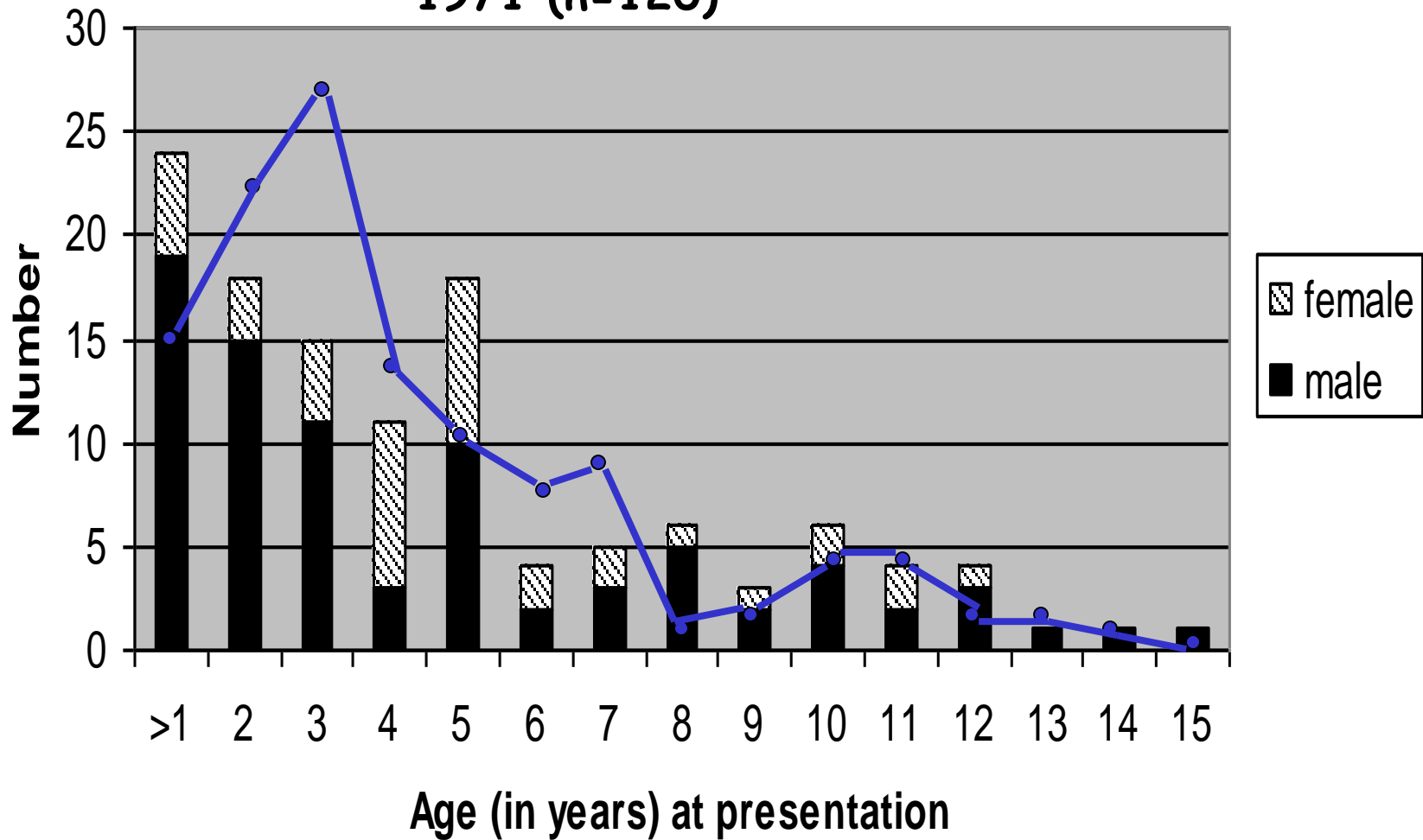
Age / sex distribution of renal stones (n=121)



Age / sex distribution of renal stones

(n=121)

Patients from 1966-
1971 (n=120)



Risk factors in history

- Family history
 - 1st degree relatives 19%
 - 1st or 2nd degree relatives combined 38%
- Prematurity
 - 15% < 37 weeks
- Immobility
 - 10%
- PMH UTI
 - 46%
- Drugs



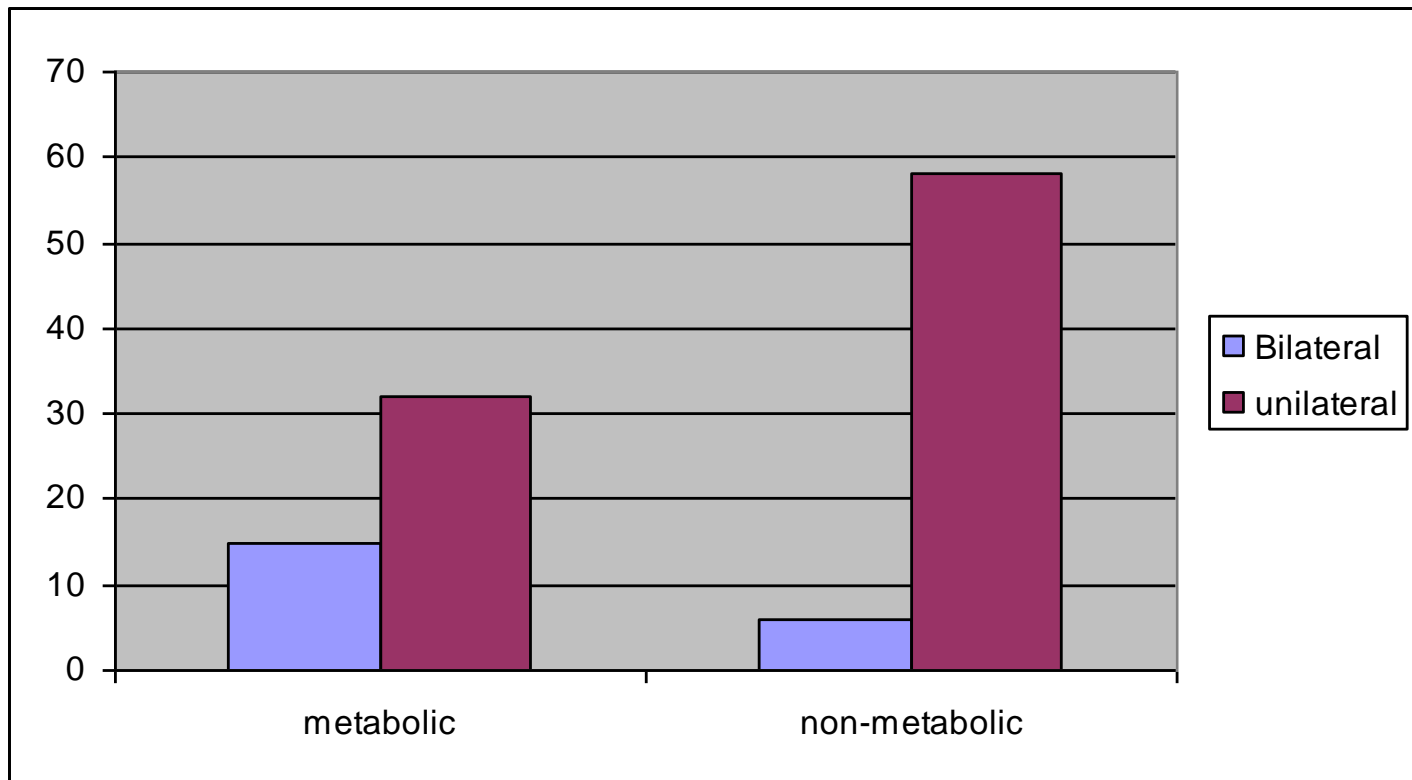
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AETIOLOGY

- Infective
- Metabolic
- Unknown

Risk factors- Bilateral stones



Odds ratio = 3.5 . 95% CI = 1.2 → 9.6

Underlying changing aetiologies of renal stones

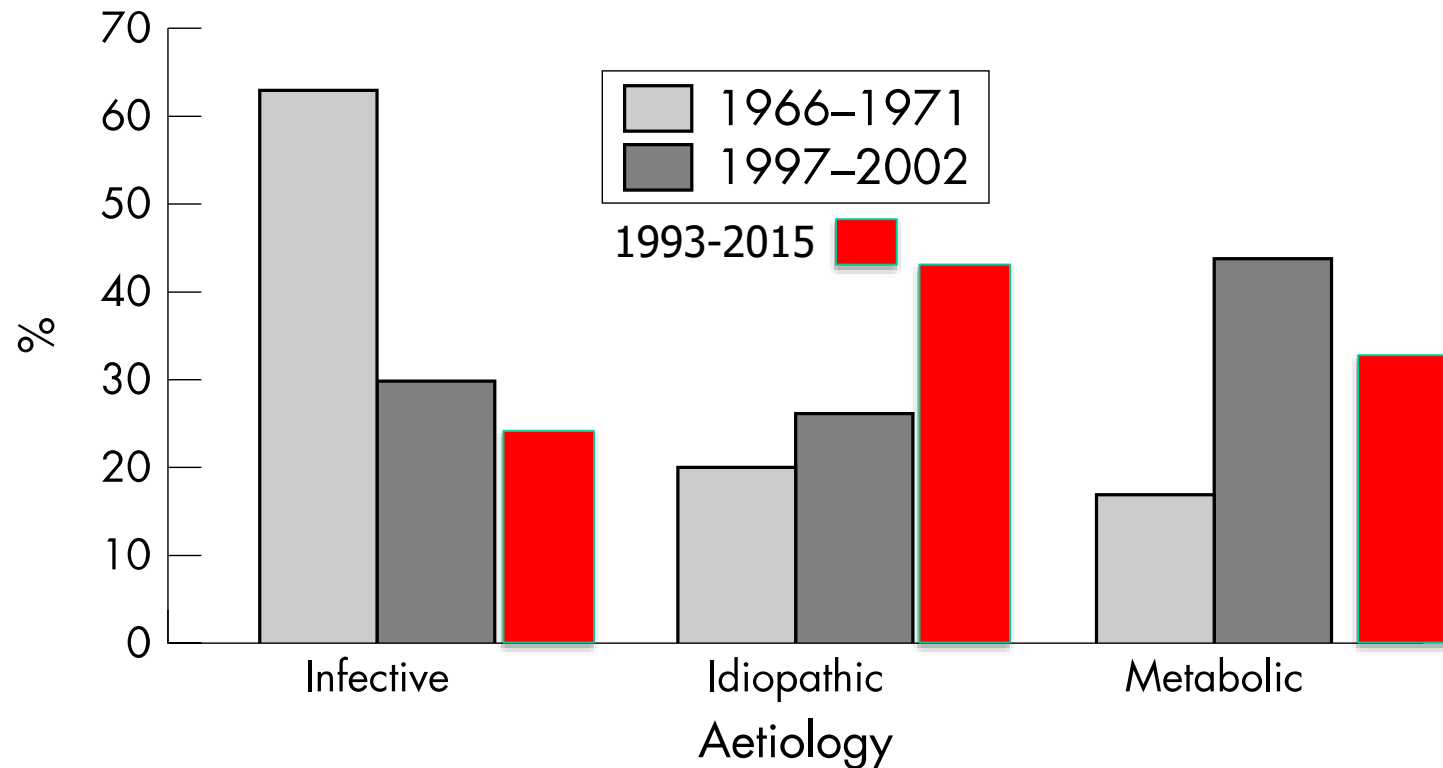
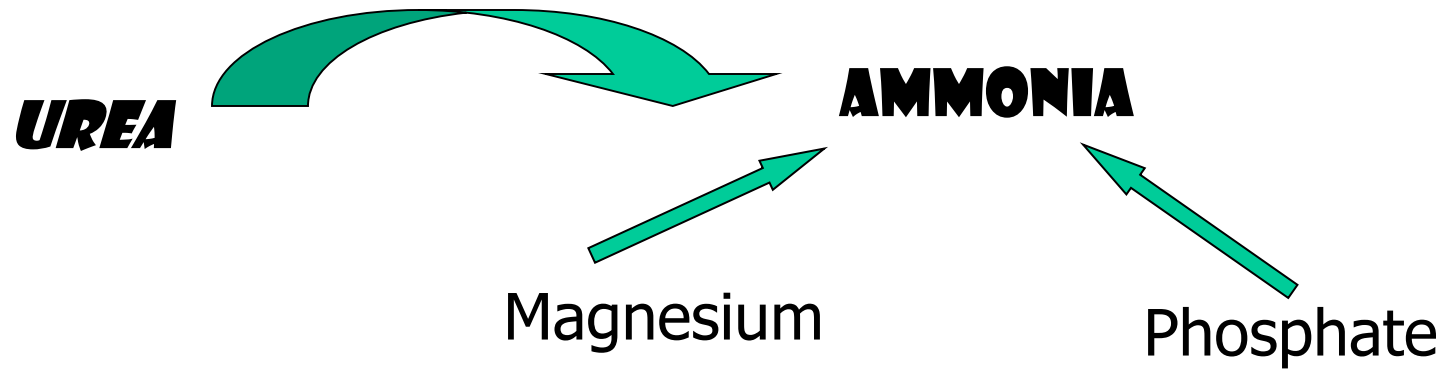
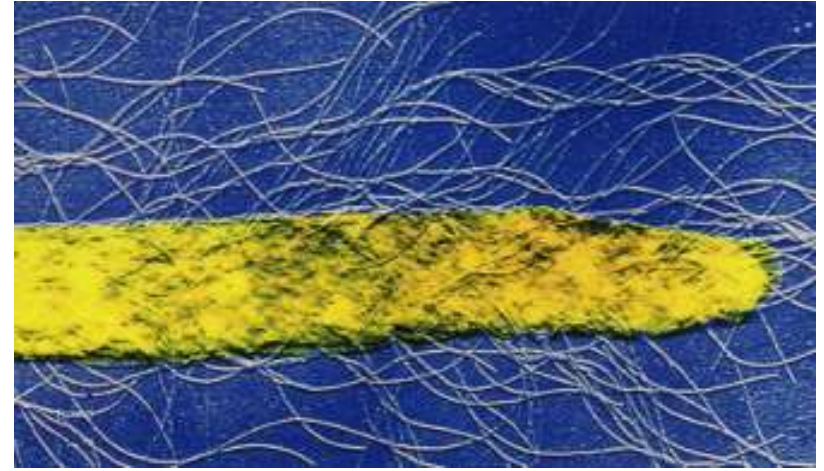


Figure 3 Underlying stone aetiologies. Comparison between previous study (1966-71) and present study (1997-2002).

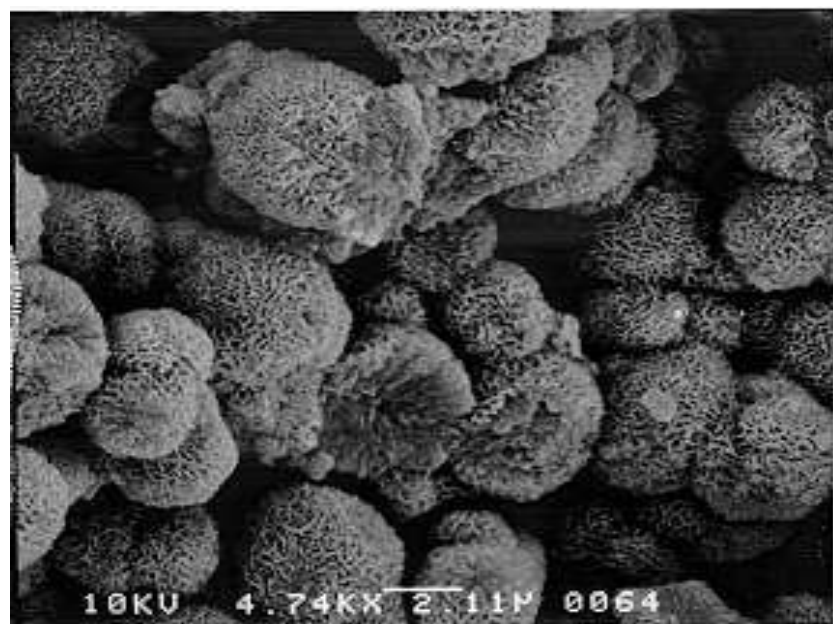
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Hypercalciuria

- Idiopathic hypercalciuria
- Hypercalcaemia
- Drug related
- Diet (Ketogenic)
- Syndromes Dents, Michaelis- Manz, dRTA, pRTA

Treatment

- Increased fluid intake
- Dietary Ca restriction not necessary
- Low Na high K diet may help
- Thiazide diuretic

AETIOLOGY

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- Metabolic
- Unknown

Monogenic conditions

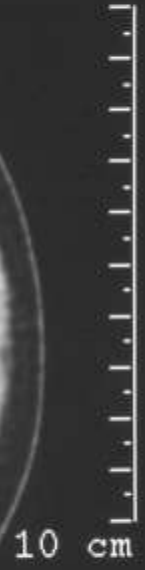




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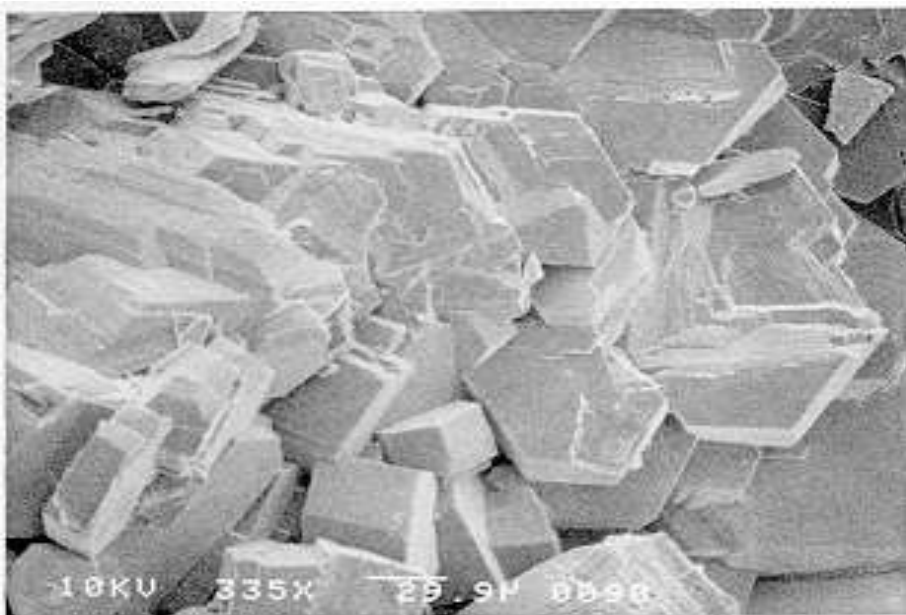
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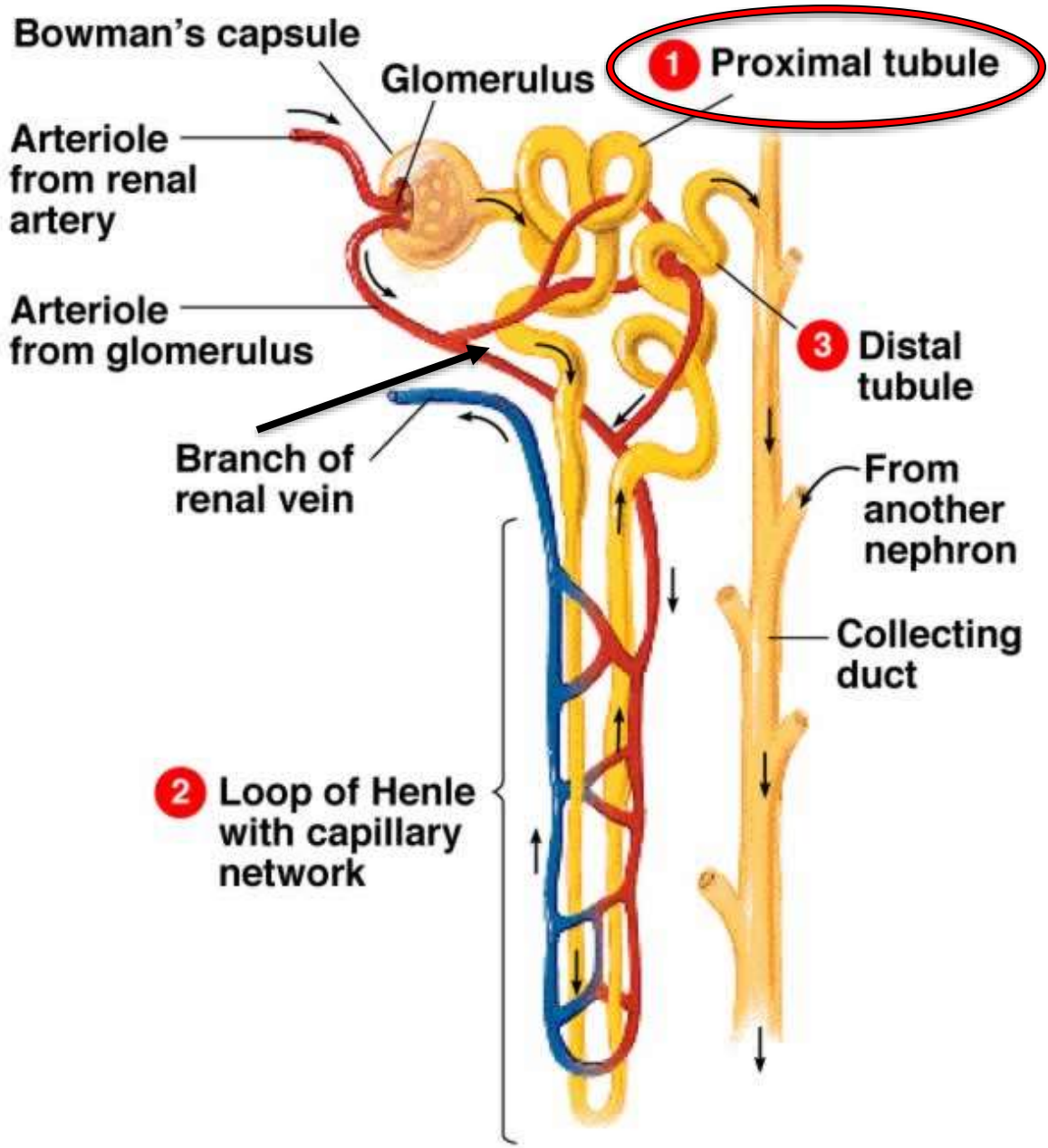
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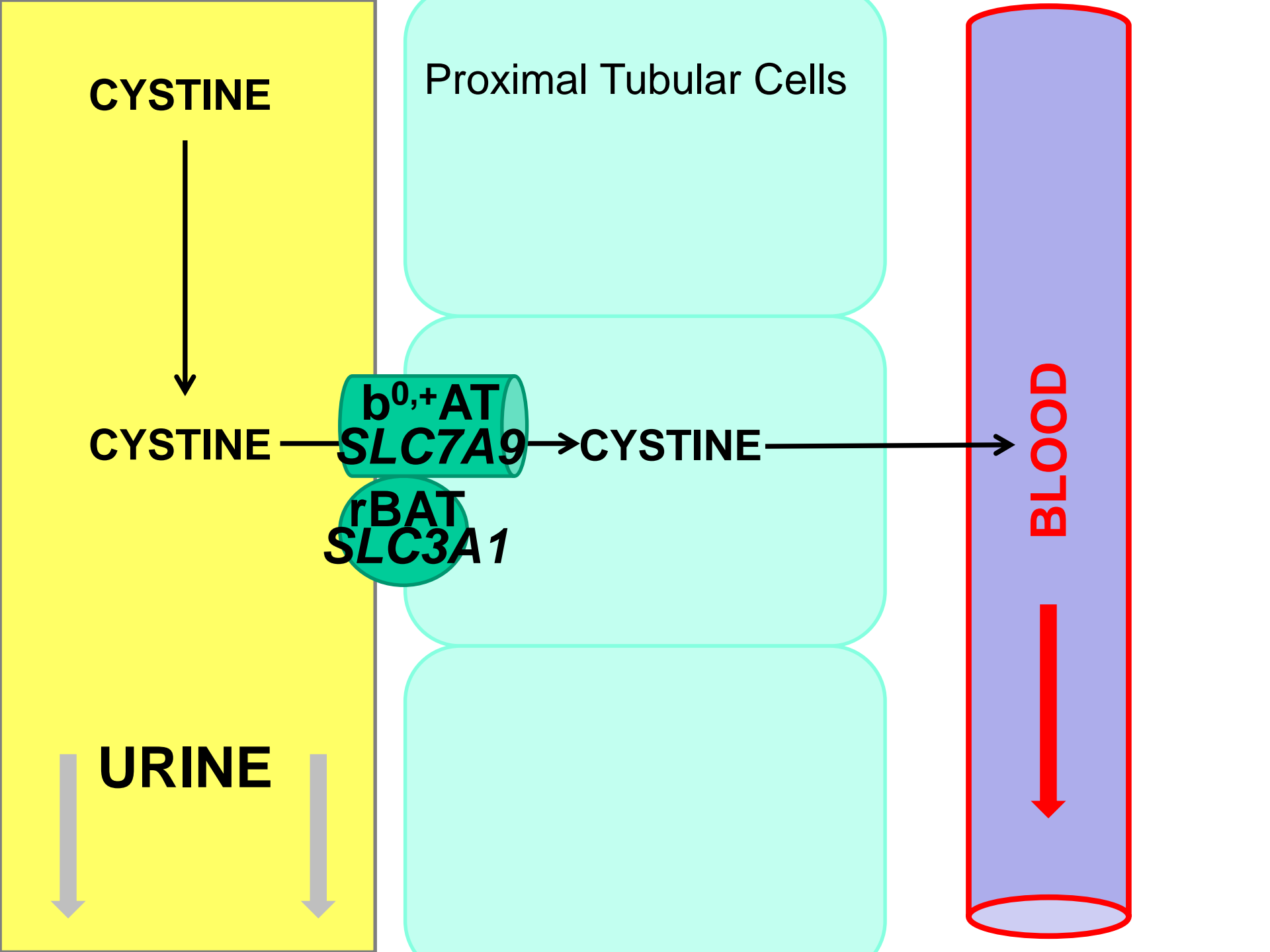
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Cystinuria







CYSTINE

Proximal Tubular Cells

CYSTINE

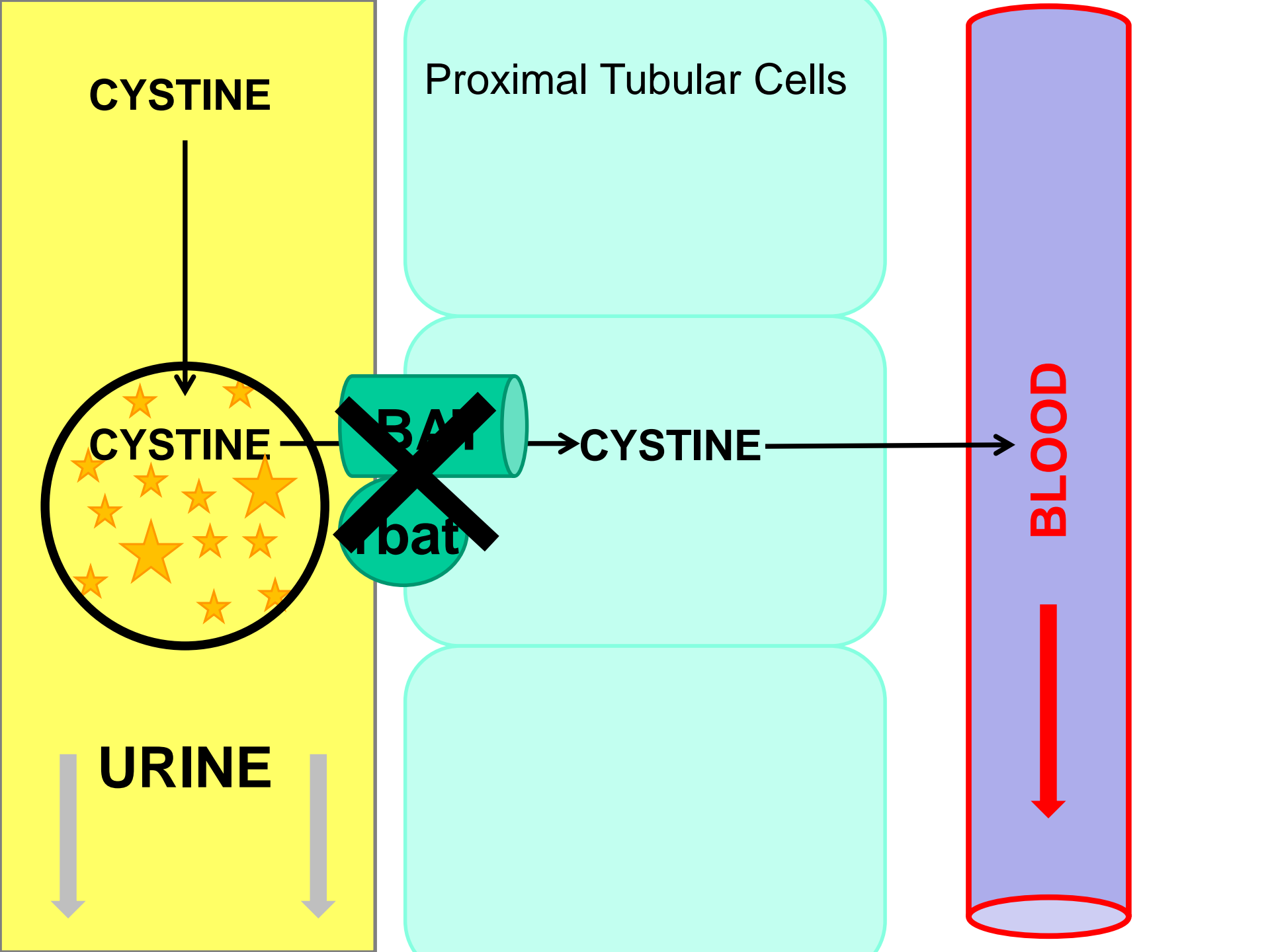
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CYSTINE

Proximal Tubular Cells

CYSTINE

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~~**trabat**~~

→ CYSTINE

BLOOD

URINE

Clinical and Genetic Analysis of Patients with Cystinuria in the United Kingdom

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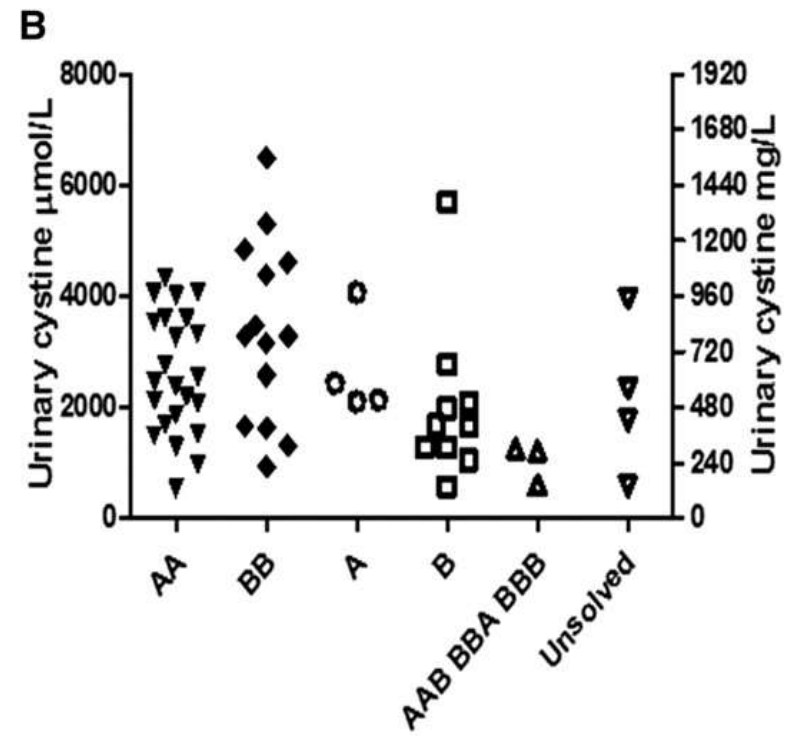
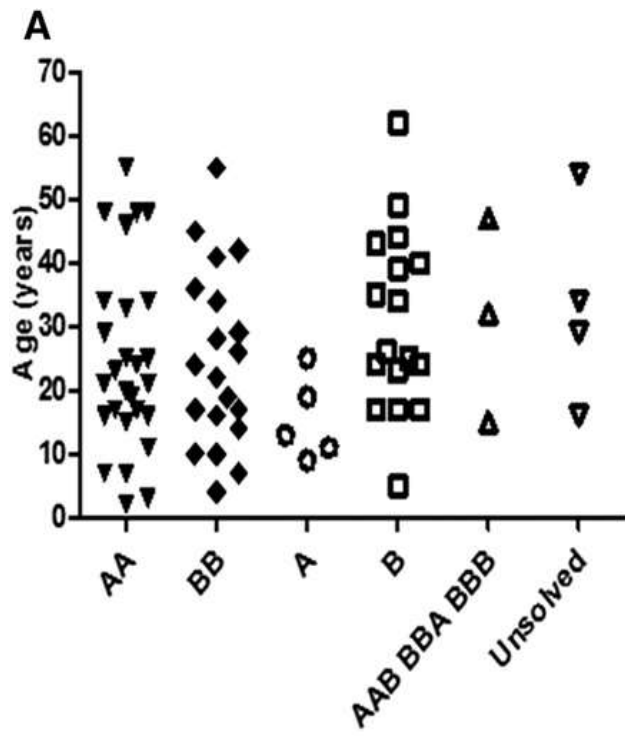
Abstract

Background and objectives Cystinuria is a rare inherited renal stone disease. Mutations in the amino acid exchanger System b^{0,+}, the two subunits of which are encoded by *SLC3A1* and *SLC7A9*, predominantly underlie this disease. The work analyzed the epidemiology of cystinuria and the influence of mutations in these two genes on disease severity in a United Kingdom cohort.

Design, setting, participants, & measurements Prevalent patients were studied from 2012 to 2014 in the northeast and southwest of the United Kingdom. Clinical phenotypes were defined, and genetic analysis of *SLC3A1* and *SLC7A9* combining Sanger sequencing and multiplex ligation probe-dependent amplification was performed.

Results In total, 76 patients (42 men and 34 women) were studied. All subjects had proven cystine stones. Median age of presentation (first stone episode) was 24 years old, but 21% of patients presented after 40 years old. Patients had varied clinical courses, with 37% of patients having ≥ 10 stone episodes; 70% had evidence of CKD, and 9% had reached ESRD as a result of cystinuria and its complications. Patients with cystinuria received a variety of different therapies, with no obvious treatment consensus. Notably, 20% of patients had staghorn calculi, with associated impaired renal function in 80% of these patients. Genetic analysis revealed that biallelic mutations were present in either *SLC3A1* ($n=27$) or *SLC7A9* ($n=20$); 22 patients had only one mutated allele detected (*SLC3A1* in five patients and *SLC7A9* in 17 patients). In total, 37 different mutant variant alleles were identified, including 12 novel mutations; 22% of mutations were caused by large gene rearrangements. No genotype-phenotype association was detected in this cohort.

Conclusions Patients with cystinuria in the United Kingdom often present atypically with staghorn calculi at ≥ 40 years old and commonly develop significant renal impairment. There is no association of clinical course with genotype. Treatments directed toward reducing stone burden need to be rationalized and developed to optimize patient care.



eGFR (ml/min per 1.73 m ²)	No.	Percent	AA (B)	A	BB (A or B)	B	AB	Genotype Unknown
≥90	23	30	8		6	8		1
60–89	37	49	16	4	7	5	3	2
30–59	9	12	2		3	3		1
<30	4	5	1	1	2			
ESRD with renal transplant	3	4			2	1		

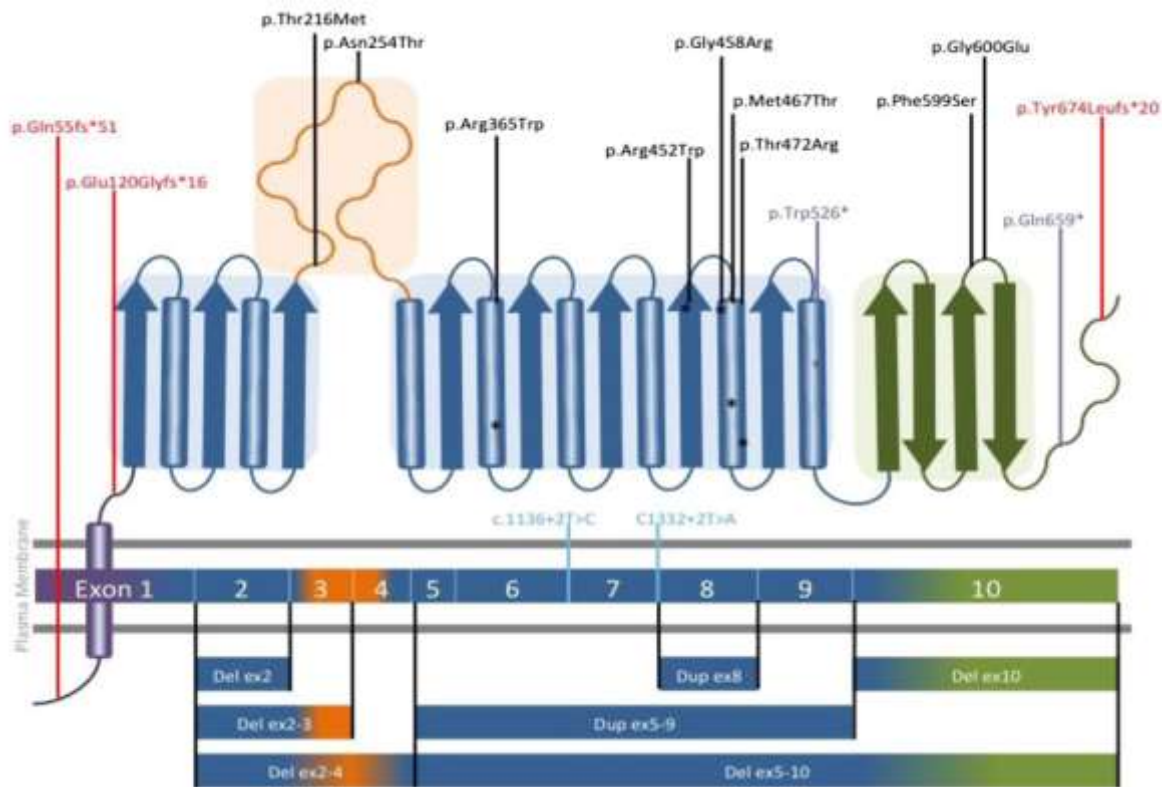


Figure 2. | Distribution of mutations detected in *SLC3A1* (rBAT) throughout the exons and protein domains. Schematic diagram of rBAT and a homology model of the extracellular domain of rBAT on the basis of the crystal structure of oligo-1,6-glucosidase from *Bacillus cereus* (Protein Data Bank ID code 1UOK). The domains of rBAT are shown in purple (TMD), blue (domain A), orange (domain B [subdomain]), and green (domain C). Mutations are labeled as follows: missense in black, nonsense in purple, frameshift in red, and splice site in pale blue. Mutations predicted to fall within α -helices are denoted by asterisks of the appropriate color. TMD, trans-membrane domain.

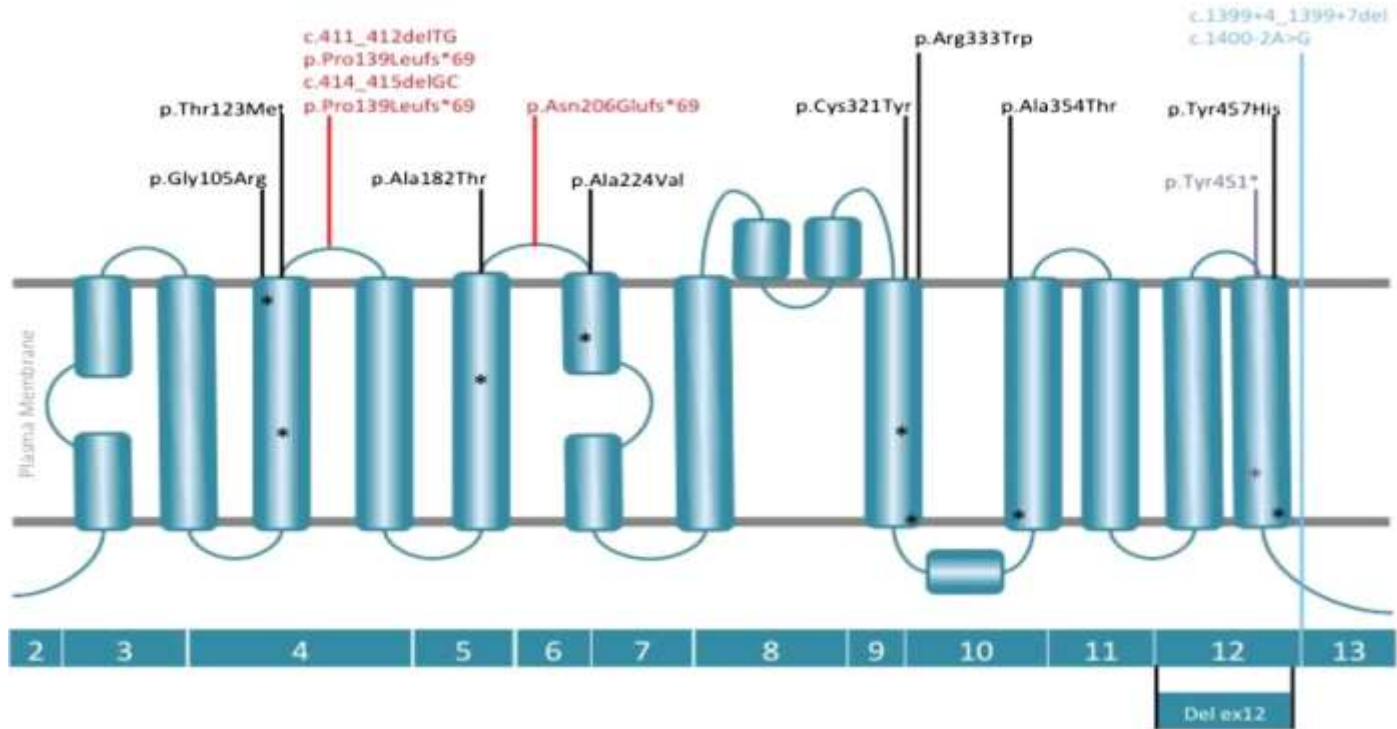
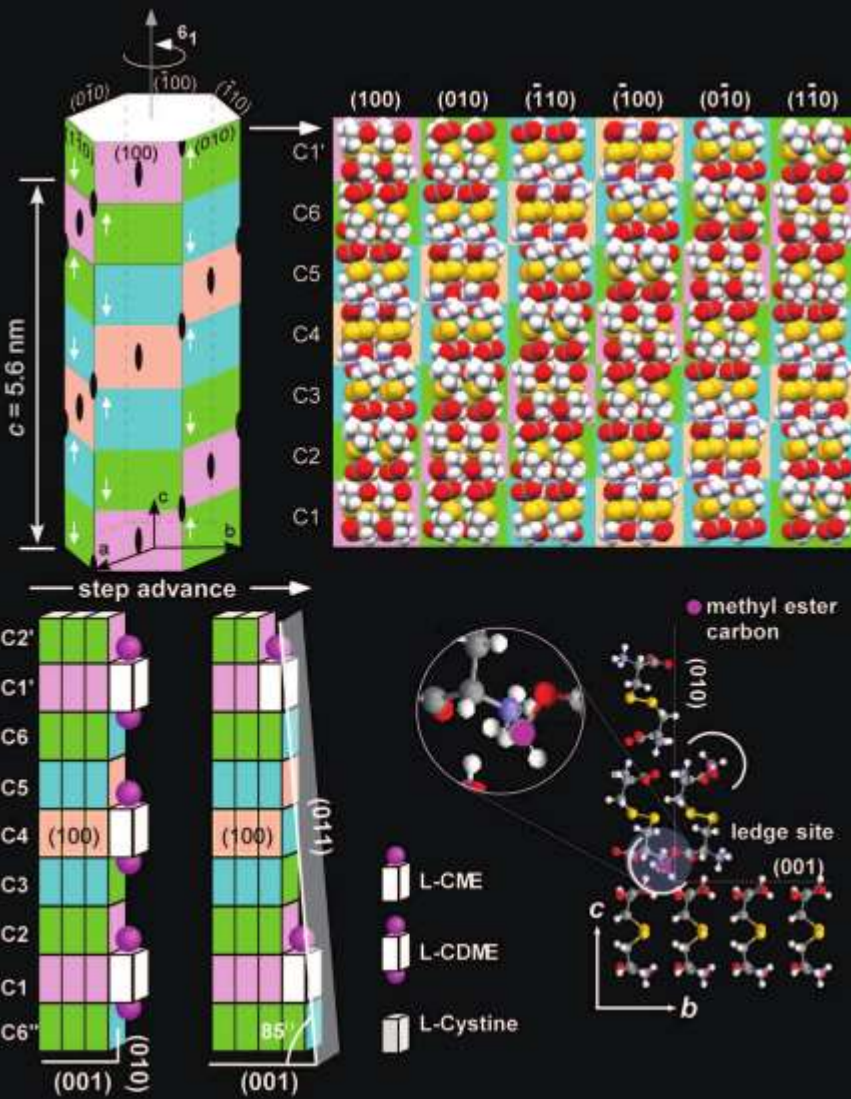


Figure 3. | Representation of the location of mutations detected in *SLC7A9* ($b^{0,+}AT$) throughout the exons and protein domains. Schematic diagram of $b^{0,+}AT$ and homology model of $b^{0,+}AT$ on the basis of the crystal structure of AdiC protein, an arginine:agmatine antiporter from *Escherichia coli* (Protein Data Bank ID code 3L1L). *SLC7A9* mutations are distributed in exons 4–6, 9, 10, 12, and 13. Mutations are labeled as follows: missense in black, nonsense in purple, frameshift in red, and splice site in pale blue. Mutations predicted to fall within α -helices are denoted by asterisks of the appropriate color.

Treatment

- Surgical
- Increase fluid intake
- Alkalinise urine (pH >7.5)
- Chelate D-Penicillamine
2-mercaptopropionylglycine
(MPG)
Captopril
- Screen sibs



Crystal Growth Inhibitors for the Prevention of L-Cystine Kidney Stones Through Molecular Design

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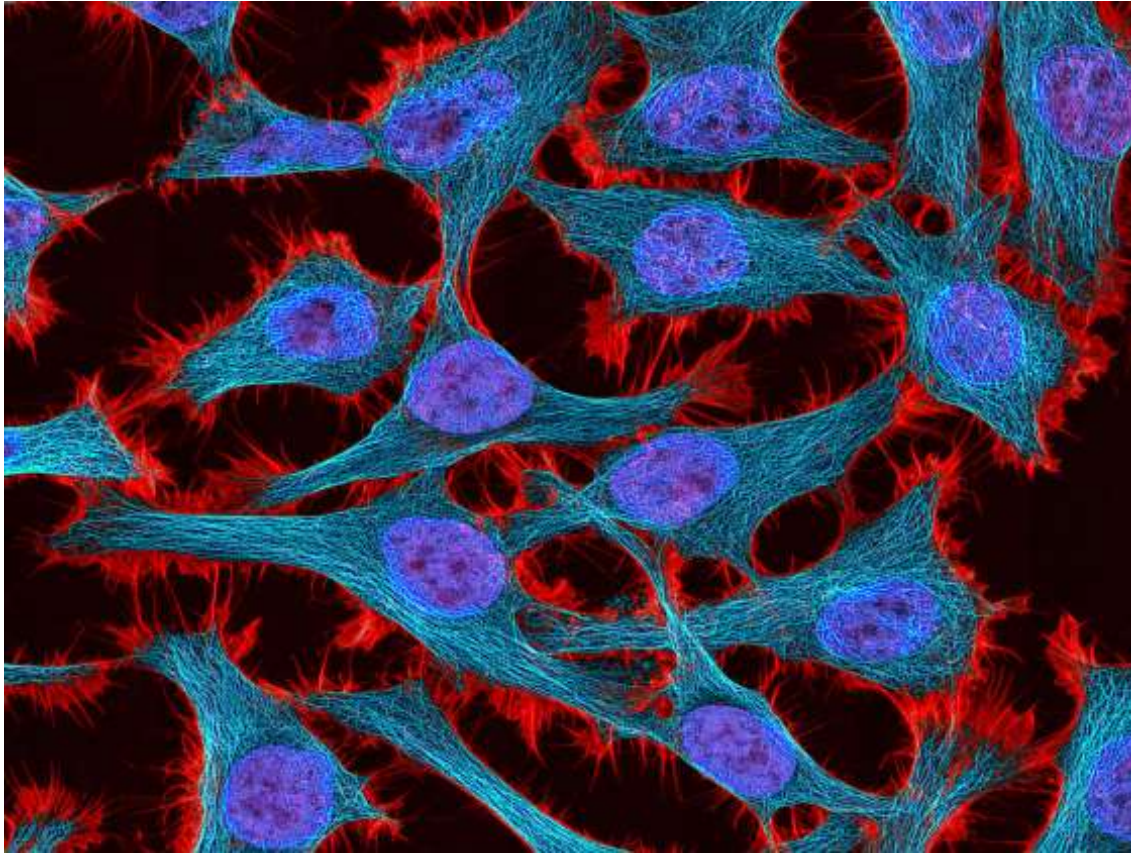
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■ Hannah Rhodes sheds new light on the complexities of the rare inherited renal stone disease cystinuria

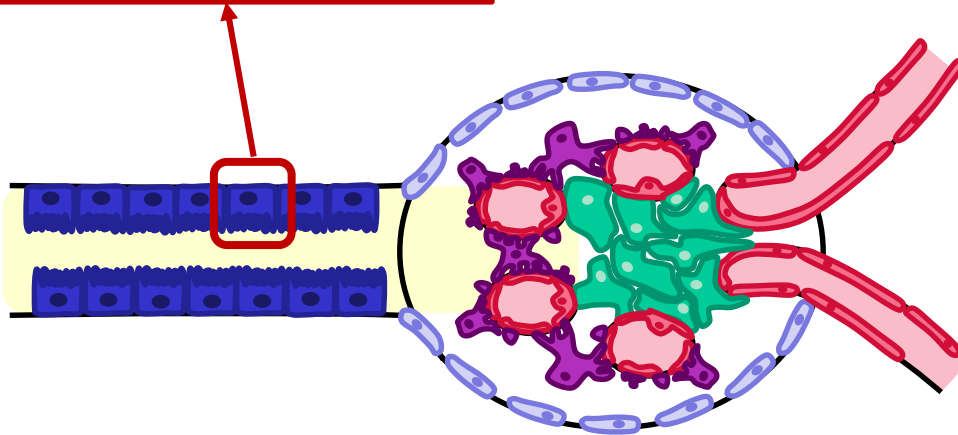
Cystinuria: an inherited genetic disorder that breaks the rules

CELLS



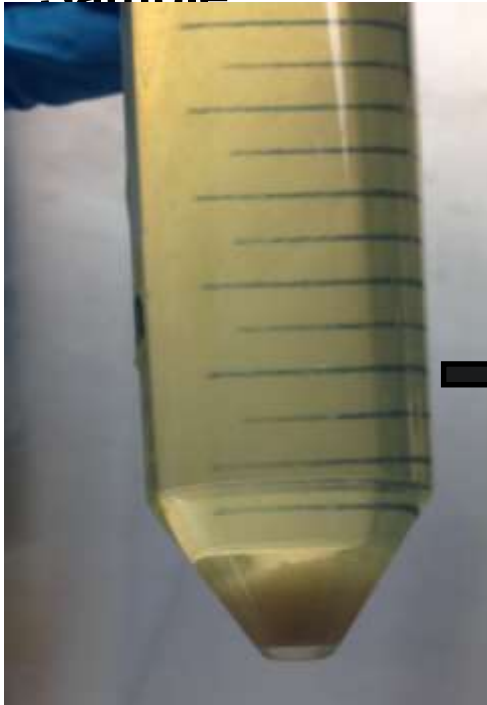
Background

Ni L, et al. (2013) Generation of a human proximal tubular cell line. Journal of the American Society of Nephrology 24(8):1209-1214.



Preparation of Urinary Cells

**50ml Urine
Sample**

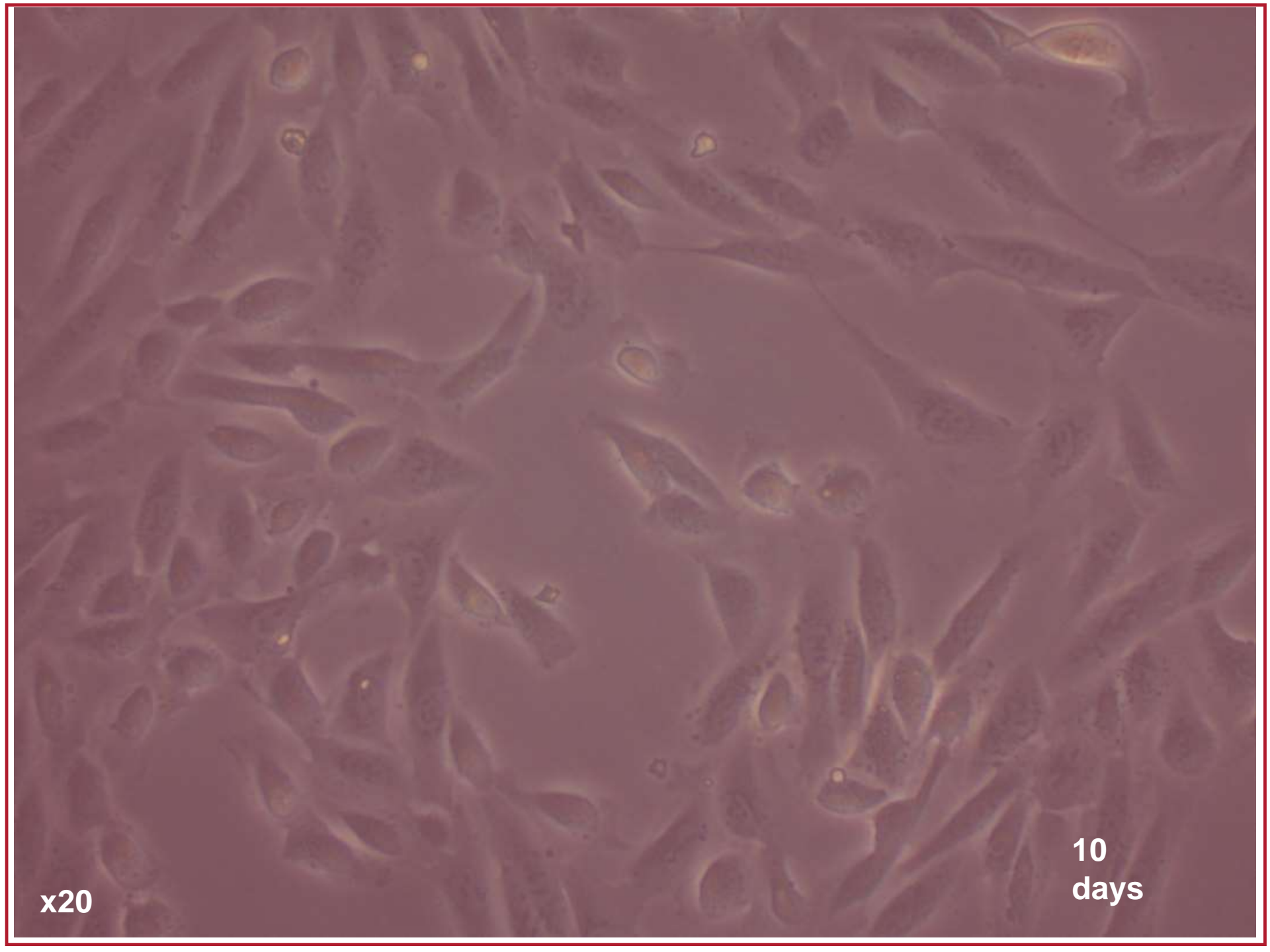


**Washed &
isolated**



**Grown in
flasks and
dishes**

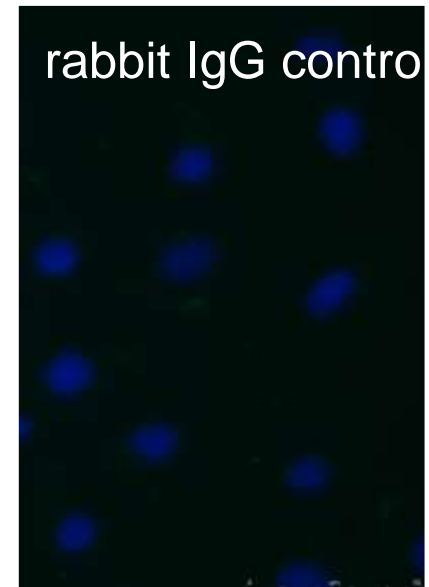
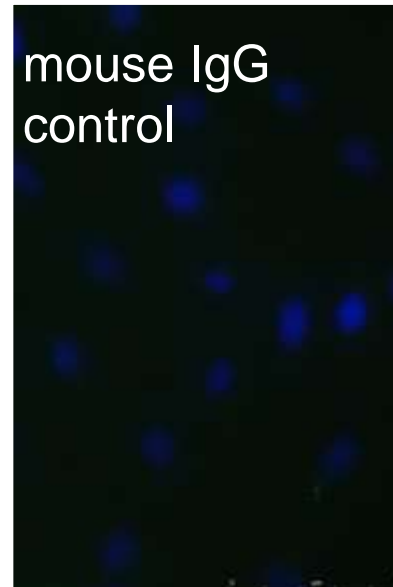
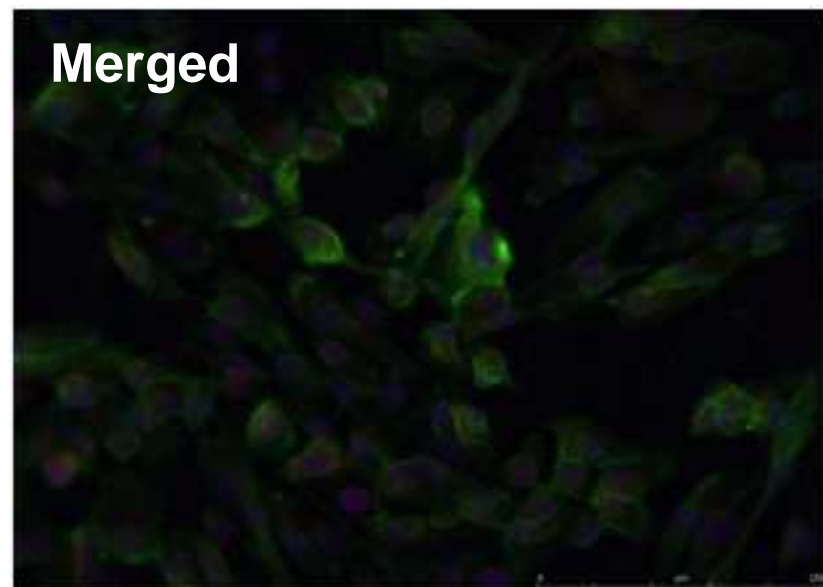
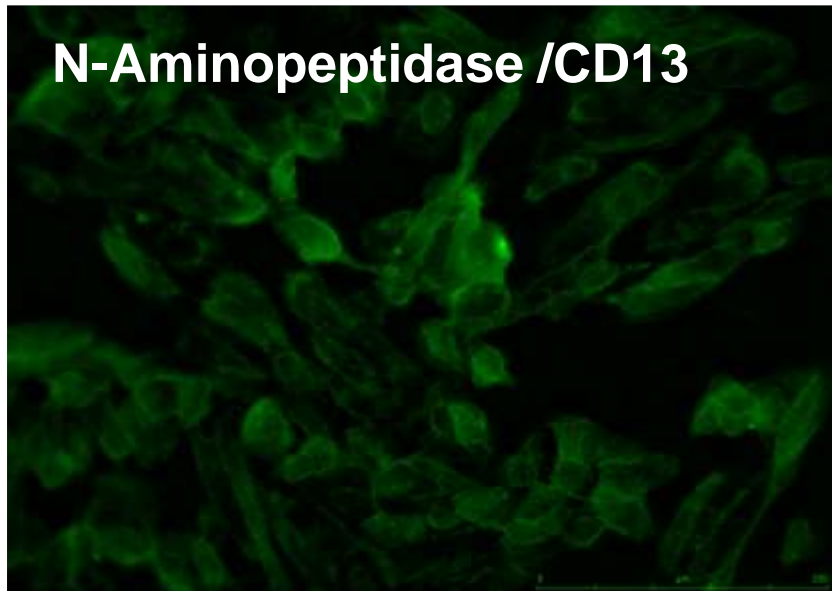




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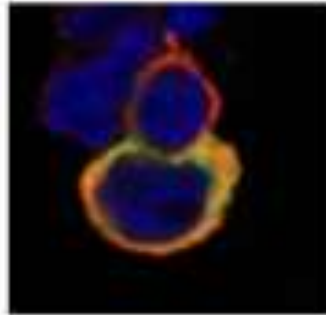
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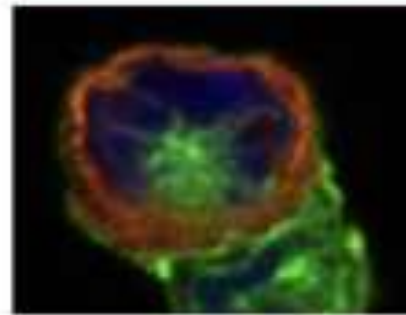


Genetic reconstitution of BAT and rBAT into PTC Wild type v mutants!!

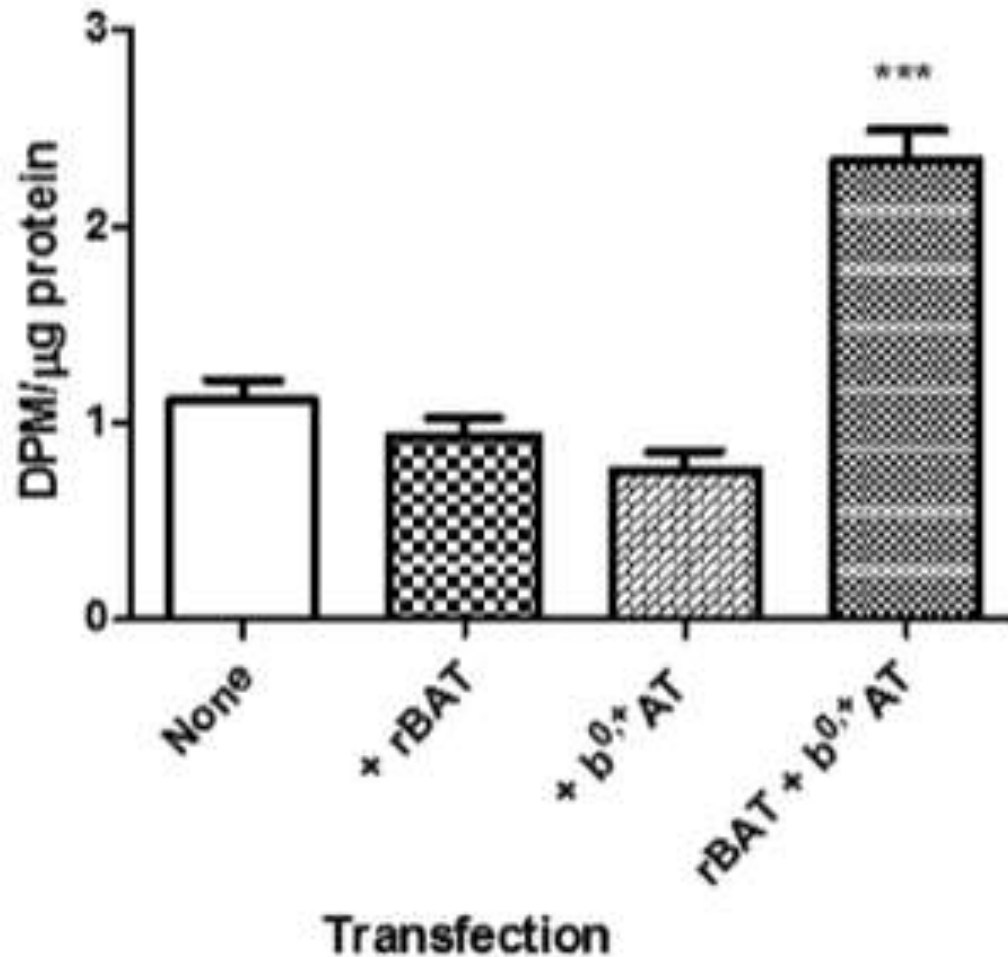
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Wild type rBAT-mCherry



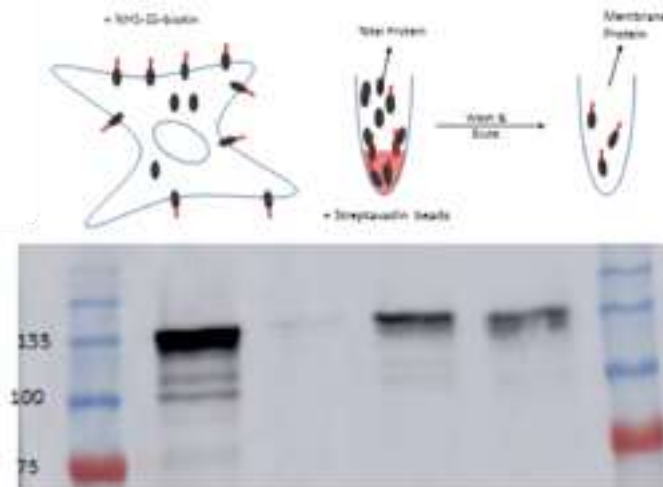
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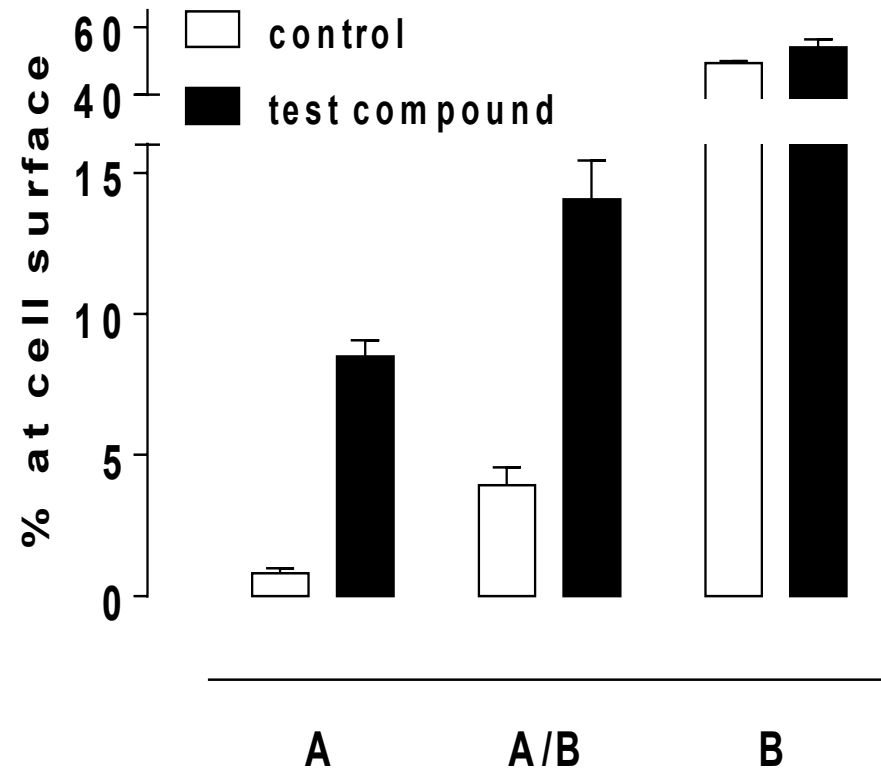
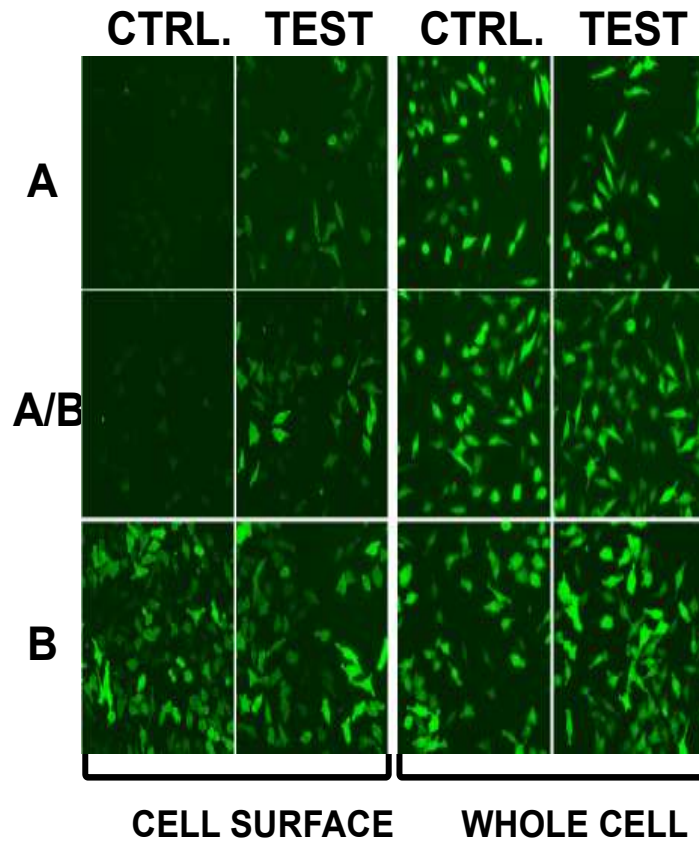
Functional cystine uptake into cells



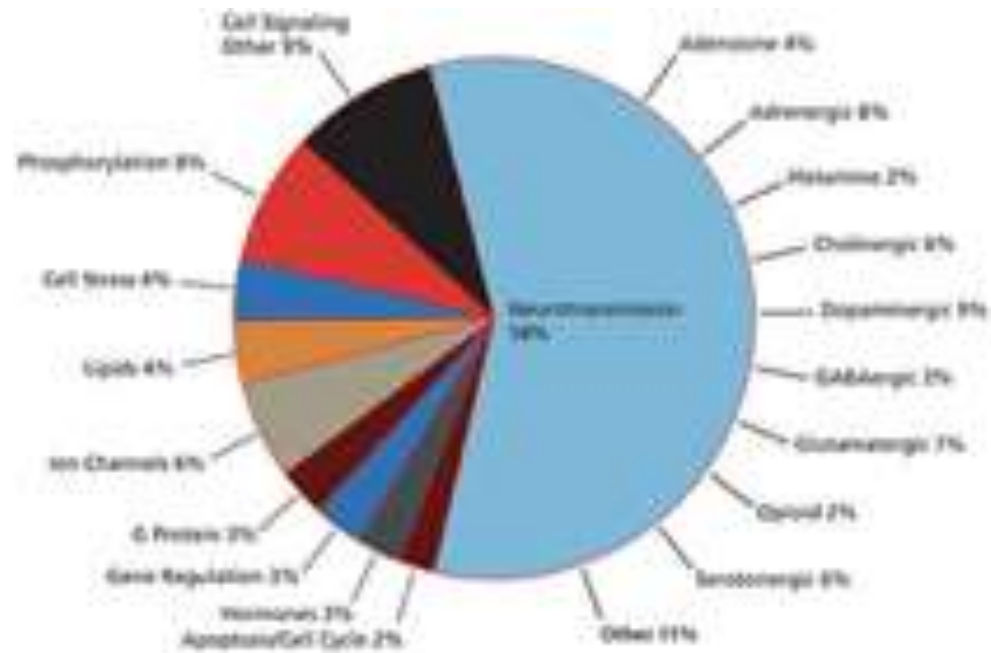
Mapping cell surface location of transporters



Towards a high throughput system



Compound screen



Been done before.....

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A CFTR Potentiator in Patients
with Cystic Fibrosis and the *G551D* Mutation

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AETIOLOGY

- Infective
- Metabolic
- Unknown

Monogenic conditions





Enzyme deficiency in the liver targets the kidneys

AGT enzyme
defect in the
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oxalate
production

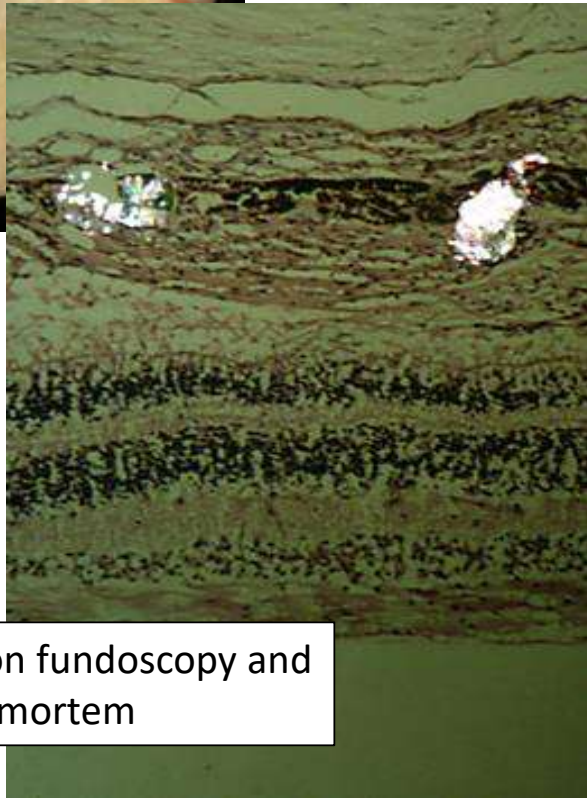


Kidneys
normally excrete
oxalate

Oxalate deposits in kidneys forming stones +
calcification within the kidney (nephrocalcinosis)
resulting in kidney failure

Consequences of PH1

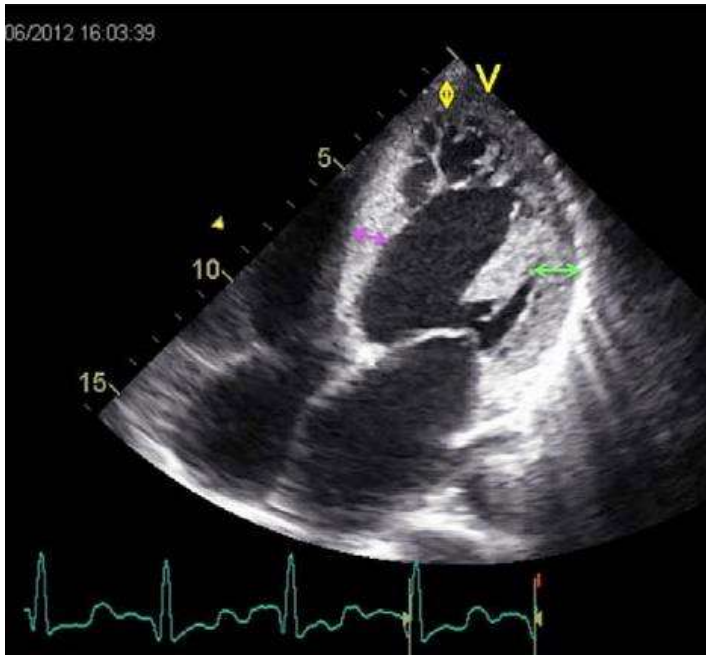
Female aged 9 years with calcification of kidneys, marked osteopenia. Pin in femoral neck following fracture.



Oxalate crystals on funduscopy and in retina on post mortem



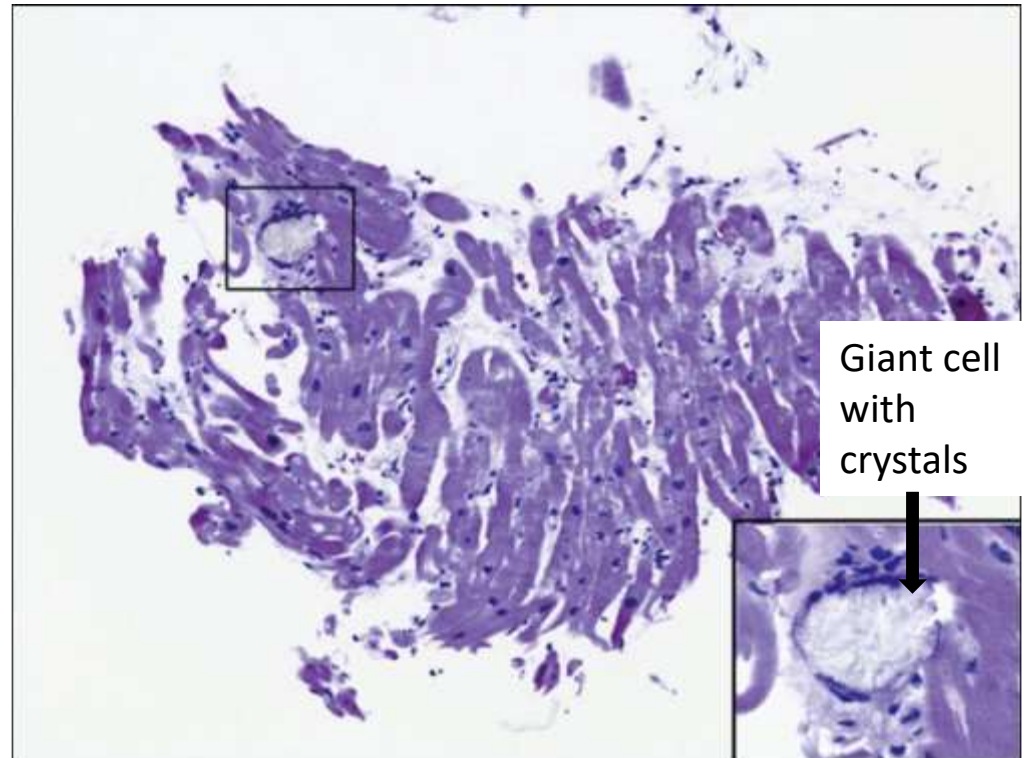
Consequences of PH1



Cardiac echo showing increased wall thickness

CR Lagies et al: Circ Heart Fail 2013;6: e45-7

Endomyocardial biopsy right ventricle



Giant cell with crystals

F Mookadam et al: Circ J 2010; 74: 2403 – 2409

Consequences of PH1



Livedo reticularis of skin



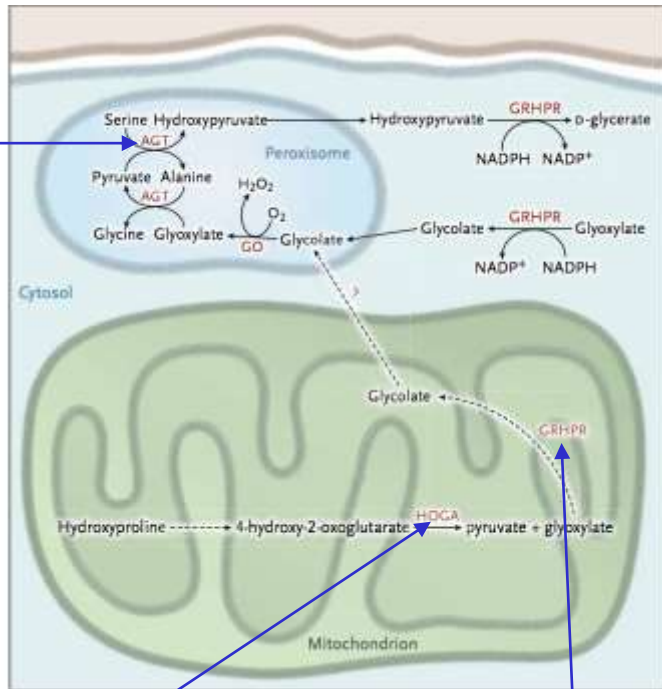
Index and middle finger

Gangrene of fingers with osteolysis in secondary oxalosis



*Courtesy of S Arampatzis, D Fuster
University Hospital of Bern, Switzerland*

PH1: AGXT gene



**Pyridoxine
co-factor**

**PH3:
chromosome 10**

**PH2: chromosome
9**

Hepatocyte:

Glyoxylate accumulates due to AGT deficiency

Glyoxylate → oxalate by LDH

Oxalate = insoluble

Primarily excreted by kidneys

Crystallises in renal tubules

When eGFR <40 → systemic oxalosis occurs

Oxalate deposits in bone / blood vessels.....

PH mutations & diagnosis

- **PH1** **AGXT gene *chr 2***
 - plasma oxalate + glycollate
 - urine oxalate
- **PH2** **GRHPR gene *chr 9***
 - urine L-glyceric acid (may be absent)
- **PH3** **HOGA1 gene *chr10***
 - urine oxalate + glycollate
 - urine Ca + uric acid

Primary Hyperoxaluria

- Fluids.
- Citrate.
- Pyridoxine for SOME type 1.
- Surgical intervention as necessary.
- Definitive treatment is combined liver kidney transplant.

RNAi Therapeutics: New Class of Innovative Medicines

Clinically Proven Approach with Transformational Potential

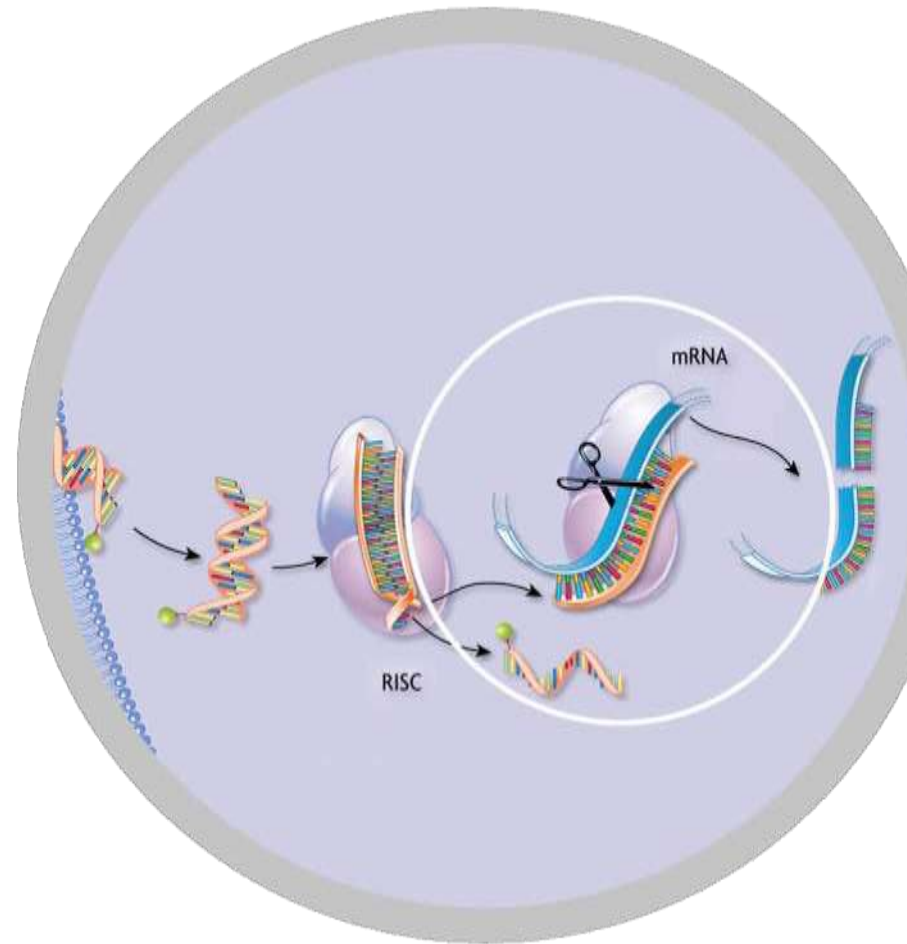
Nobel Prize-winning science

Silence any gene in genome

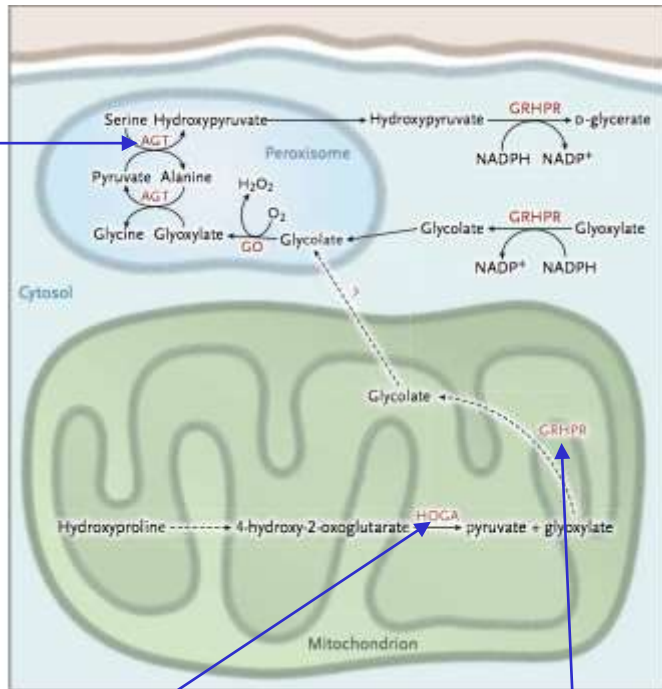
Potent and durable mechanism of action

Product engine for sustainable pipeline

Now commercial



PH1: AGXT gene



Pyridoxine co-factor

PH3: chromosome 10

PH2: chromosome 9

Hepatocyte:

Glyoxylate accumulates due to AGT deficiency

Glyoxylate → oxalate by LDH

Oxalate = insoluble

Primarily excreted by kidneys

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Oxalate deposits in bone / blood vessels.....

Lumasiran Therapeutic Hypothesis

Knockdown of Liver GO Enzyme to Reduce Oxalate



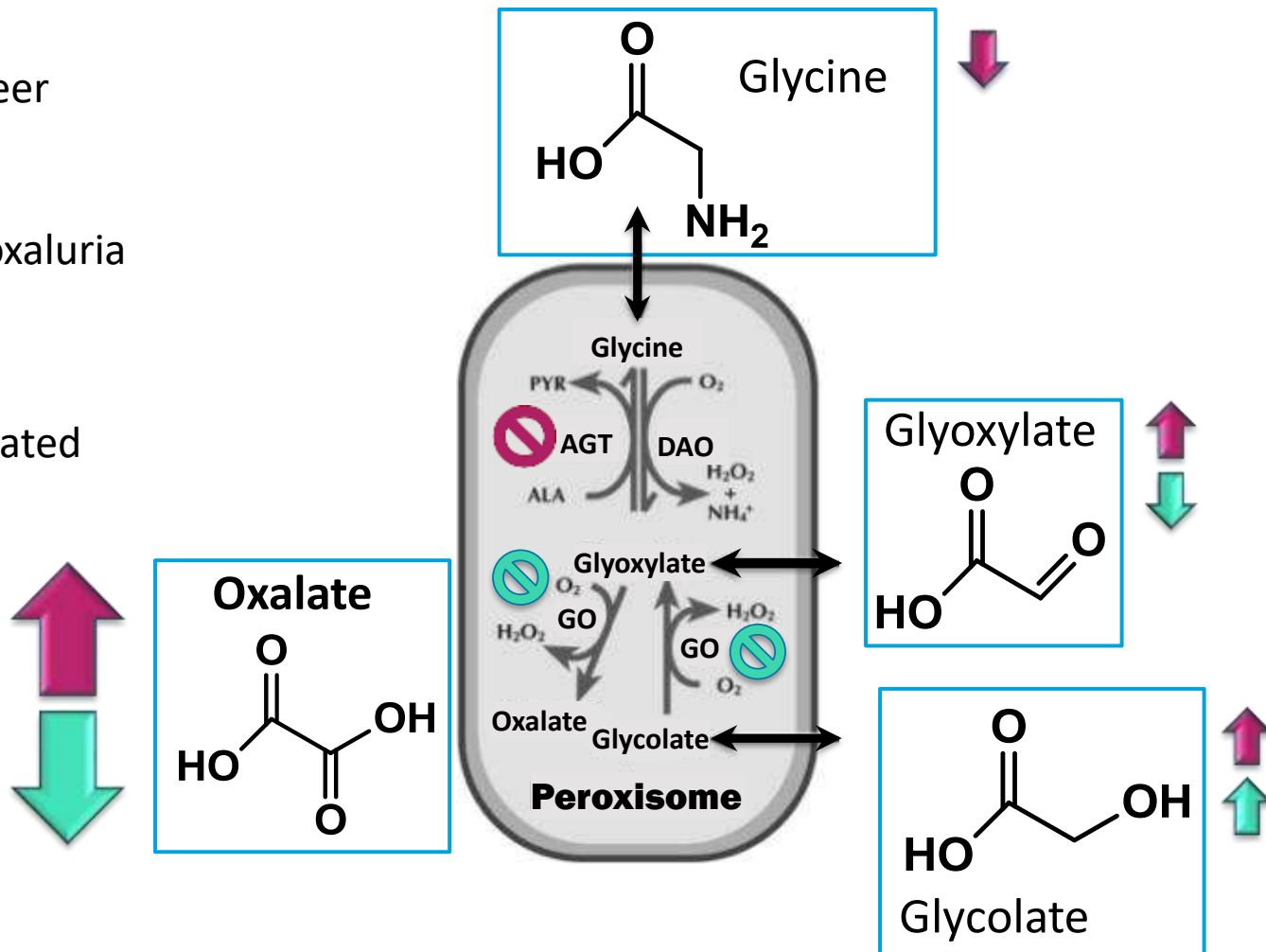
Healthy Volunteer



Primary Hyperoxaluria
Type 1 Patient



PH1 Patient Treated
with Lumasiran

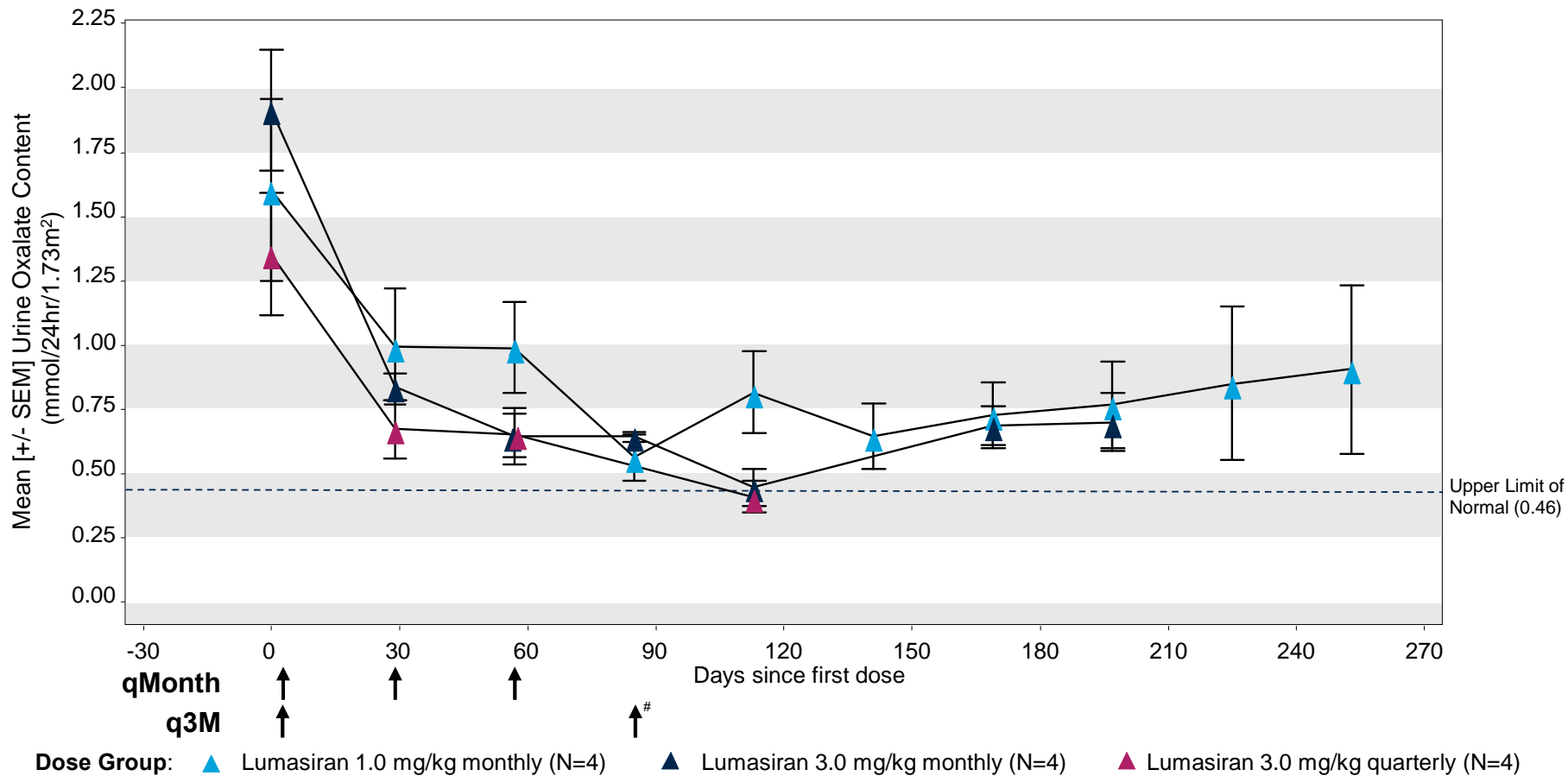


Lumasiran Phase 1/2 Study Initial Results[†]

Pharmacodynamics: Part B (Patients with PH1)

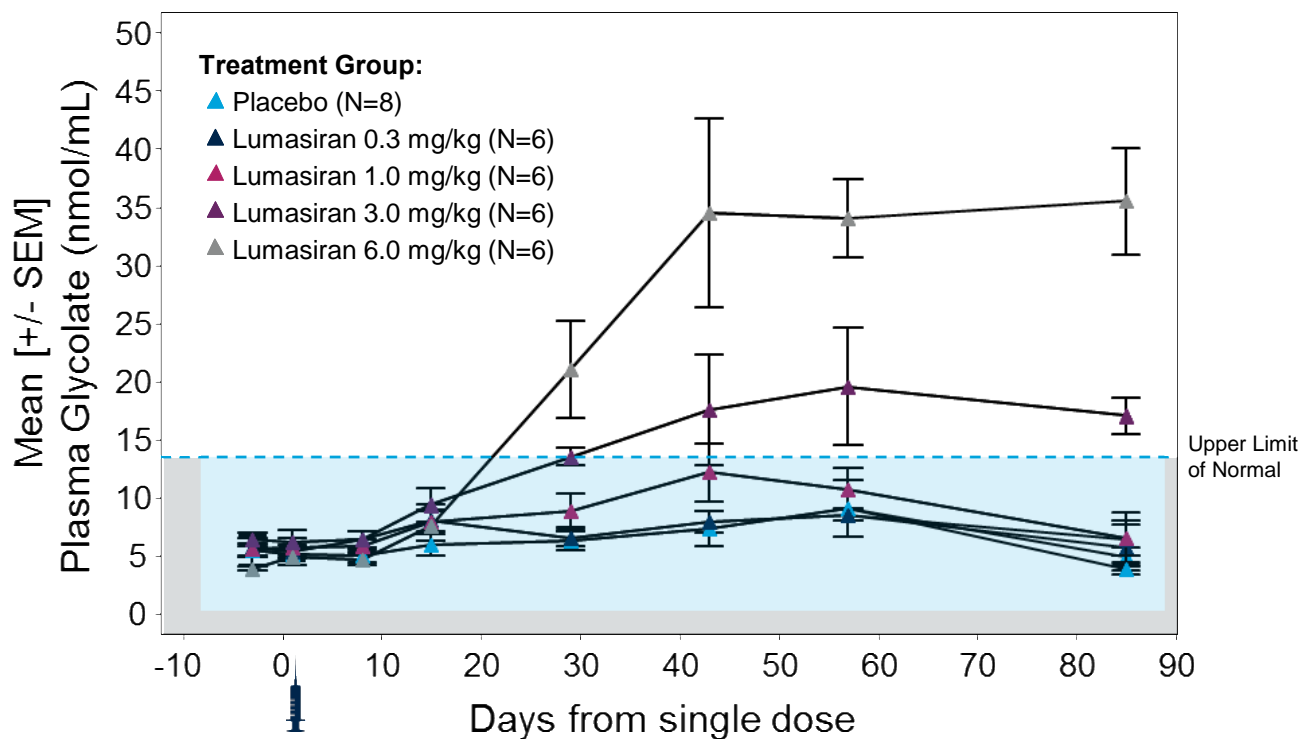
Mean maximal reduction in urinary oxalate of 64% relative to baseline after lumasiran dosing in patients in Cohorts 1-3 (n=12)

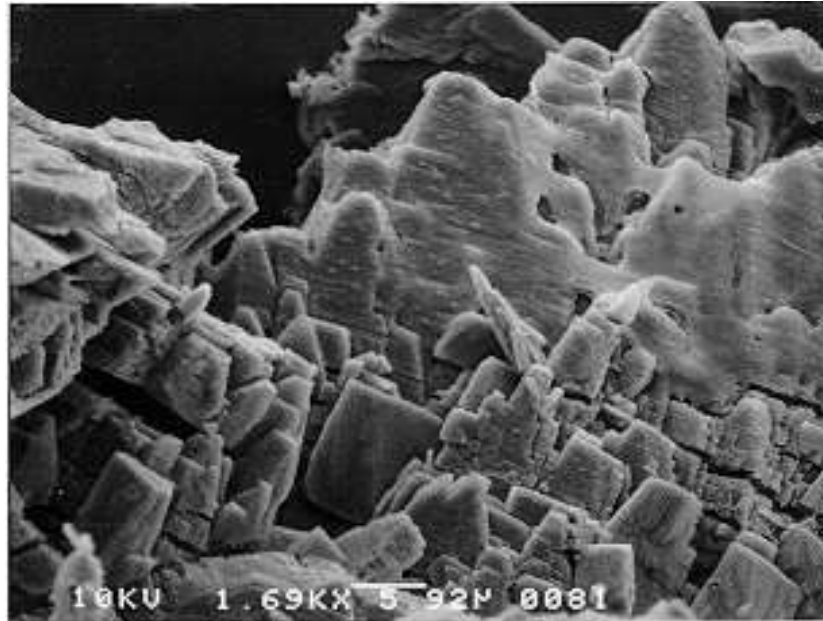
- Mean 63% urinary oxalate reduction relative to baseline observed at day 85 (n=9[†])



Lumasiran Phase 1/2 Part A Study Results: Plasma Glycolate Levels in Healthy Volunteers

Dose-dependent increase in plasma glycolate levels in healthy volunteers after single dose of lumasiran¹



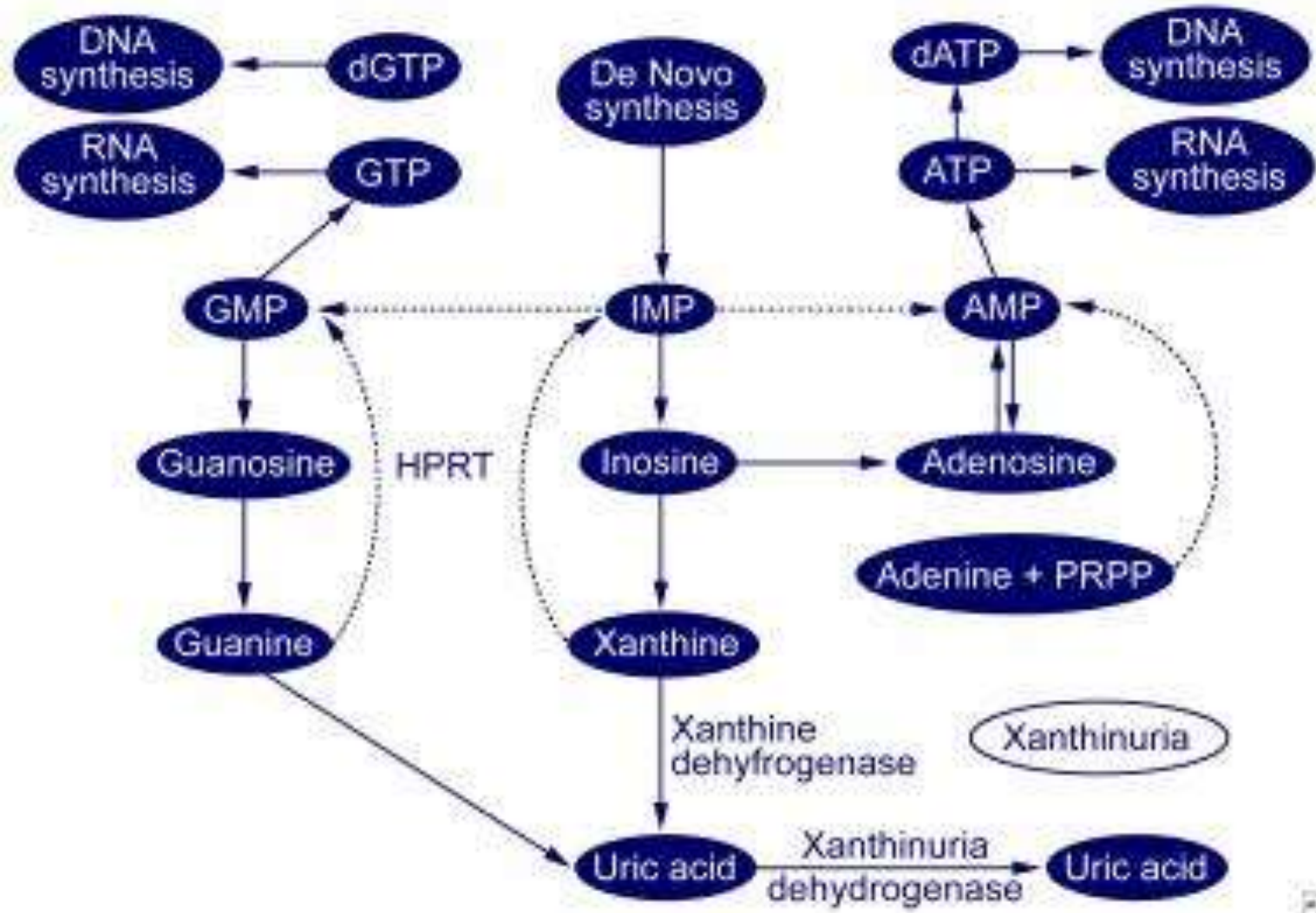


High cellular turn over states

Lesch-Nyhan syndrome

Uric acid stones - treatment

- Increased fluid intake
- Alkalinise the urine
- Allopurinol



Treatment

- High fluid intake
- Low purine diet
- Alkalinisation does not effect solubility
- **NB LOW URIC ACID LEVELS IN SERUM AND URINE.**

Investigations

- KUB X-ray
- Renal USS
- Urine

Ca:Cr , Ox:Cr , Urate:Cr, Citrate:Cr ratio

Cystine chromatography. 2nd void screen. X 3

- Blood

Na, K, Urea, Cr, HCO₃, urate, Ca, Mg, albumin and alkaline phosphatase. Vit D and PTH may be necessary as 2nd line

- Stone

Should be sent to biochem → Middlesex

Never forget!

- Involve surgical team early especially if obstruction.

Take home messages

- Renal stones in children commonly metabolic
- Always perform a metabolic stone screen
- Remember Cystinuria and Primary Hyperoxaluria
- New potentially exciting therapies on the horizon

Thank you and any questions?