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Monday, 8. 6. 2015

13.15 - 15.00	Srednja predavalnica, Faculty of Medicine, Korytkova 2
13.15 – 13. 30	<i>Vita Dolžan, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana</i> <i>Dušan Šuput, dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana</i> Welcome address
13.30 – 14.00	<i>Samo Ribarič, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana</i> ARTEMIDA teaming project
14.00 - 15.00	<i>Magnus Ingelman – Sundberg, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm</i> Opening Lecture: Pharmacogenomics and epigenomics
15.00 – 16.00	<i>Coffee break; Seminar, Institute of Biochemistry, Vrazov trg 2</i>
16.00 – 18.15	Seminar, Institute of Biochemistry, Vrazov trg 2
16.00 – 16.45	<i>Sabina Passamonti, University of Trieste</i> Reactive Oxygen Species: biochemistry and their role in health and disease
16.45– 17.30	<i>Sabina Semiz, International University of Sarajevo</i> Cardiovascular pharmacogenomics
17.30 - 18.15	<i>Nada Božina, Clinical Institute of Laboratory Diagnosis, Zagreb University School of Medicine</i> Clinical application of genotype-guided dosing of oral anticoagulants- Croatian experiences

Tuesday, 9. 6. 2015

Seminar, Institute of Biochemistry, Vrazov trg 2

9.00 – 9.45	<i>Živa Novak Antolič, Centre for Educational Development, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana</i> Training The Trainers: Feedback
9.45 – 10.30	<i>Živa Novak Antolič, Centre for Educational Development, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana</i> Training The Trainers: Appraisal
10.30-11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.00 - 11.45	<i>Magnus Ingelman – Sundberg, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm</i> Pharmacogenomics and Personalized Treatment
11.45 - 12.30	<i>Peter Jacobs, Thermo Fisher Scientific</i> <i>Sponsor lecture:</i> Your new research companion for Pharmacogenomics

12.30 - 14.30	<i>Lunch: sponsored by Thermo Fisher Scientific</i>
14.30 - 15.15	<i>Sabina Semiz, International University of Sarajevo</i> Pharmacogenomics and personalized treatment of Type 2 diabetes
15.15 - 16.00	<i>Gabriele Stocco, University of Trieste</i> Immunomodulatory treatment in children: focus on juvenile idiopathic arthritis
16.00 - 16.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.30 - 17.15	<i>Meet the speakers parallel session:</i> Seminar 1: Sabina Passamonti / Samo Ribarič / Vita Dolžan Seminar 2: Nada Božina / Sabina Semiz/ Magnus Ingelman – Sundberg Seminar 3: Erica Cecchini / Gabriele Stocco
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Wednesday, 10. 6. 2015

Seminar, Institute of Biochemistry, Vrazov trg 2

8.30 - 9.15	<i>Gabriele Stocco, University of Trieste</i> Pharmacogenomics and immunomodulatory treatment in children: focus on juvenile idiopathic arthritis
9.15 - 10.00	<i>Erika Cecchin, CRO-National Cancer Institute, Aviano</i> Tailoring the treatment in colorectal cancer patients: research and clinical application in the field of the host pharmacogenomics
10.00-10.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10.30 - 11.15	<i>Nada Božina, Clinical Institute of Laboratory Diagnosis, Zagreb University School of Medicine</i> Pharmacogenomics in psychiatry
11.15 - 12.00	<i>Sabina Passamonti, University of Trieste</i> Academic career development by bridging research with society: the experience of Trans2Care project
12.00 - 12.15	<i>Vita Dolžan, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana</i> Closing remarks



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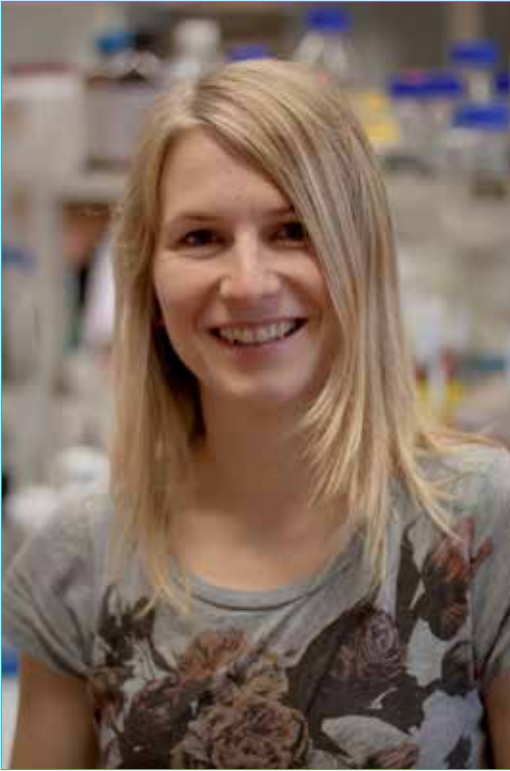
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Lectures presentations / Predstavitve predavanj

Advanced Regional Translation of Excellence into Medical Innovations for Delayed Aging (ARTEMIDA)

H2020 Widespread 2014–1 Teaming

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METHODS

- We conducted a prospective study among 210 acute stroke patients who had an indication for anticoagulation and compared the impact of CYP2C9 and VKORC1 genotype-guided warfarin dosing (PhG) with fixed dosing (NPhG) on anticoagulation control and clinical outcome between groups.



Mission statement of the planned CETM

Personalised treatment for aging-related neurodegenerative diseases, diabetes and cancer will be provided by developing regional capacities for identification of:

- disease subtypes
- predictive and prognostic biomarkers and
- novel molecular targets linked to oxidative stress.

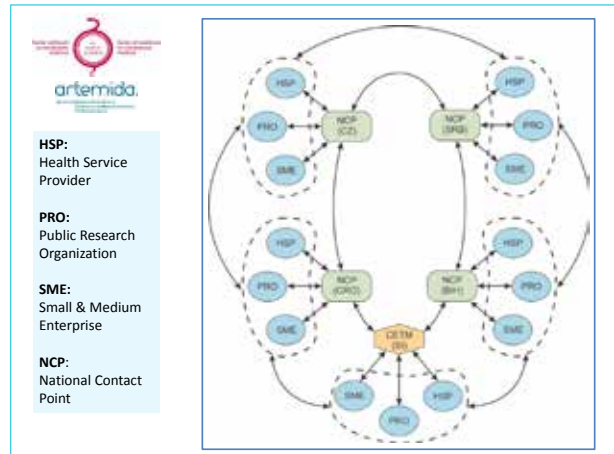


VISION

- To develop by 2020 a Central and South-East European (C&SE) Centre of Excellence for Translational Medicine (CETM), coordinated by the Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana, that will harness, develop, exploit and market the significant potential for research and innovation of the region.
- This will be achieved by forming a hub for the ARTEMIDA network, with collaborators from about 100 biomedical and health-related research and innovation institutions from 25 European states and collaborators from the USA and Japan.



Country	Population
Albania	2.800.138
Bosnia and Hercegovina	3.791.622
Bulgaria	7.284.552
Croatia	4.290.612
Czech Republic	10.562.214
European part of Turkey	14.377.018
Greece	10.816.286
Hungary	9.937.628
Kosovo	1.733.872
Macedonia	2.059.794
Moldova	3.559.541
Montenegro	620.029
North-East Italy	11.447.805
Romania	20.121.641
Serbia	7.120.666
Slovak Republic	5.397.036
Slovenia	2.061.623
Total	117.982.077



ARTEMIDA Slovenian Consortium Members

University of Ljubljana:

- ✓ Faculty of Medicine
- ✓ Faculty of Pharmacy
- ✓ Biotechnical Faculty
- ✓ Faculty of Arts

Kemjski inštitut Ljubljana Slovenija | **National Institute of Chemistry Slovenia**

NIB NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BIOLOGY

SMEs: ACIES BIO, MG-soft, MESI, Pristop and Vizera.

Leading Scientific Institutions

Karolinska Institutet, Sweden

EMBL-EBI-Elixir-Hub, United Kingdom (UK)

Karolinska Institutet (KI)

- A Medical University in Solna, Sweden, one of the largest and most prestigious medical universities.
- Research at Karolinska Institute accounts for more than **40% of all academic medical research in Sweden.**
- A committee of the Institute appoints the laureates for the **Nobel prize in Physiology or Medicine.**

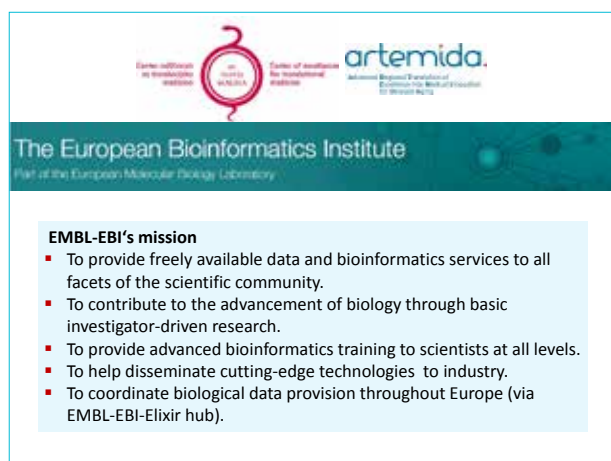
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Top 100 universities for clinical, pre-clinical and health 2014-2015

Rank	University	Country	Rank	University	Country
1	University of Oxford	United Kingdom	16	Washington University in St. Louis	United States
2	Harvard University	United States	17	Johns Hopkins University	United States
3	University of Cambridge	United Kingdom	18	University of Michigan	United States
4	Imperial College London	United Kingdom	19	University of Pennsylvania	United States
5	Stanford University	United States	20	Northwestern University	United States
6	Columbia University	United States	21	University of the Witwatersrand of Johannesburg	South Africa
7	Johns Hopkins University	United States	22	University of Wisconsin	United States
8	University College London (UCL)	United Kingdom	23	University of Sydney	Australia
9	University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)	United States	24	University of California, Berkeley	United States
10	Yale University	United States	25	Monash University	United States
11	Imperial College London	United Kingdom	26	McMaster University	Canada
12	University of Wisconsin	United States	27	University of Colorado	United Kingdom
13	University of Toronto	Canada	28	University of Colorado	United States
14	University of Melbourne	Australia	29	University of Colorado	United States
15	Karolinska Institutet	Sweden	30	Cornell University	United States

Benefit for Karolinska Institutet from ARTEMIDA

Country / Alliance	Population
USA	318.857.056
UK	64.105.654
Canada	35.158.304
Australia	23.135.281
	441.256.295
Sweden	9.555.893
ARTEMIDA	+117.982.077



The European Bioinformatics Institute
Part of the European Molecular Biology Laboratory

EMBL-EBI's mission

- To provide freely available data and bioinformatics services to all facets of the scientific community.
- To contribute to the advancement of biology through basic investigator-driven research.
- To provide advanced bioinformatics training to scientists at all levels.
- To help disseminate cutting-edge technologies to industry.
- To coordinate biological data provision throughout Europe (via EMBL-EBI-Elixir hub).



Elixir is a EU priority research infrastructure, the only one in the field of life sciences.

Benefits of the proposed CETM for Slovenia

The proposed CETM will overcome challenges of current local policies and practices, small size of national economy and limited national pool of potential subjects available for medical research by:

- providing an innovation friendly environment and culture with a strict **quality management system (ISO 9001:2008)**, service-oriented administration, education and training system (**ISO 10015:1999**) and meticulous project quality management (**ISO 21500:2012**).
- upgrading, integrating and exploiting at the national level the **research and innovation potential** in the field of aging with special reference to neurodegenerative diseases, diabetes and cancer.

Benefits of the proposed CETM for C&SE Europe

- Addressing the challenge of an ageing European population and an increasing chronic disease burden of neurodegenerative disorders, diabetes and cancer that are jeopardising the sustainability and equity of European health and care systems.
- Facilitating preventive, personalized curative, promotional and rehabilitative health care services to promote active and healthy ageing in Slovenia, the C&SE European region and wider European area.
- Combining the expertise and support of KI and EMBL-EBI-Elixir with the research and innovation potential of the C&SE European region of 117.9 million people.

**Benefits of the proposed CETM
for Karolinska Institutet (KI) and EMBL-EBI-Elixir**

Four streams of benefits will accrue to the Leading Scientific Institutions KI and EMBL-EBI from their association with the CETM:

- a **new source of potential collaborators**, competent researchers from the C&SE European research area, will become available to the leading scientific institutions;
- an **access to a C&SE European pool of patient data** for clinical studies;
- a fresh flow of **new research and innovation approaches** from qualified scientists from the C&SE European research area to the leading scientific institutions;
- **new partners** for international (e.g Horizon 2020) research and innovation **funding proposals**.



Pharmacogenomics and pharmacoepigenomics; roles for efficient drug therapy

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Manners for individualized therapy

- Selection of drugs and dose adjustments in relation to drug pharmacokinetics (CYPs, phase II enzymes and transporters)
- Selection of drugs and doses based on pharmacodynamic properties (cancer, HIV, CV)
- Selection of drugs based on ability to refold and make functional endogenous enzymes/transporters (Cystic fibrosis)



Adverse Drug Reactions (ADRs)

ADRs were between the 4th-6th commonest cause of death in the US in 1994
Lazarou et al, JAMA, 1998

About 3% of the 548 new drugs approved by the FDA between 1975-1999 withdrawn because of safety problems
Lasser et al, JAMA, 2002

20 % of readmissions to the hospital and 30 % of admissions of elderly are caused by ADRs
 2 days prolonged hospital visit

USD 2,500/patient, USD 100 billion in USA /year
cf. Sim and Ingelman-Sundberg, 2011

Safer Medicines

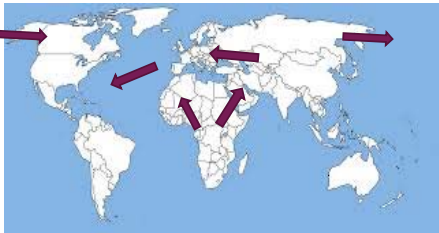



A report from the Academy of Medical Sciences (AMS), November 2008


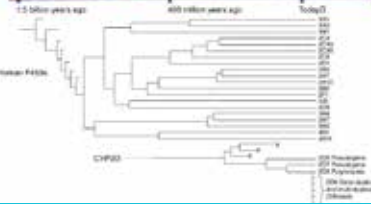
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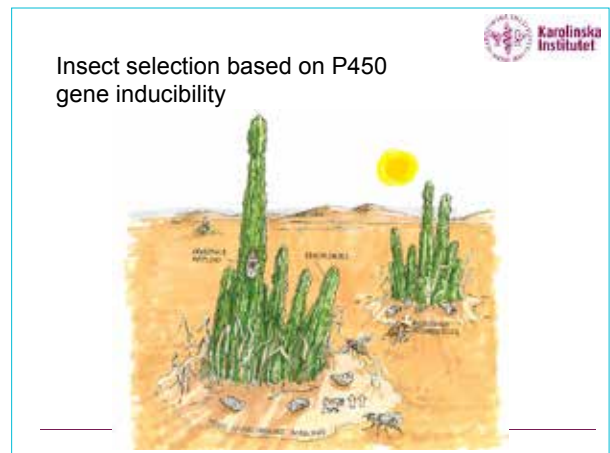
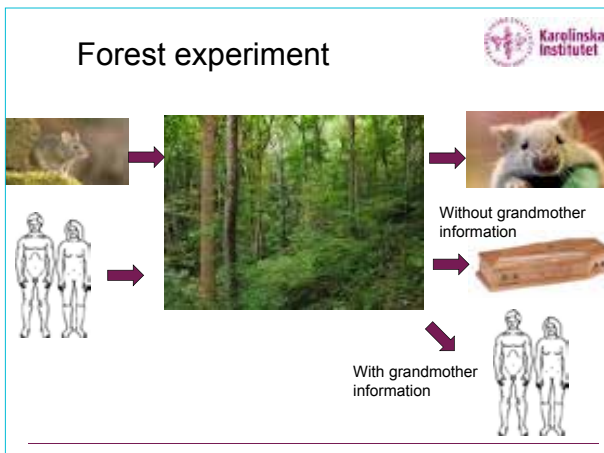
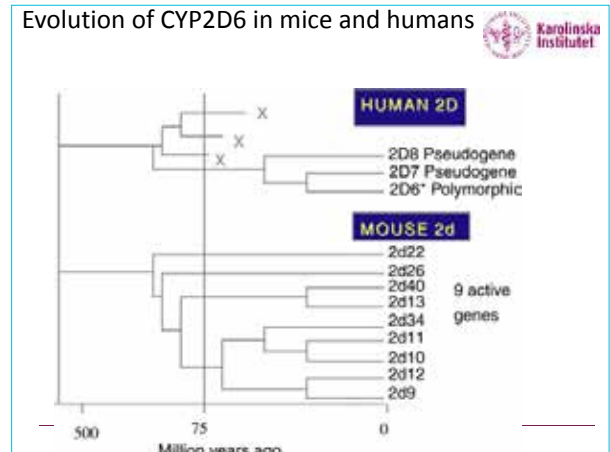
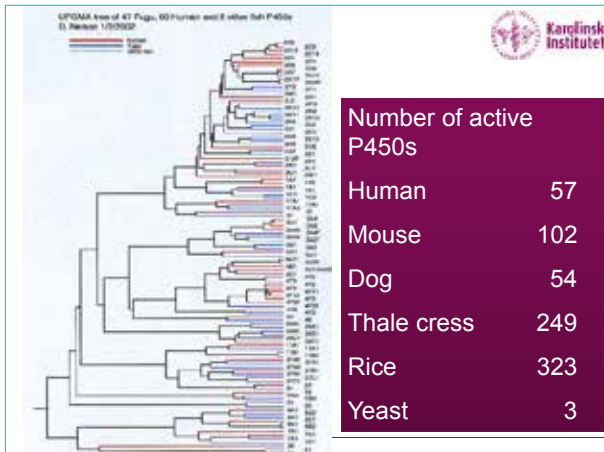
Selection based on environment, e.g.:

- Infections
- Climate
- Diet

At the beginning.....



Honey bees

CYP9Q1, CYP9Q2, and CYP9Q3 metabolize tau-fluvalinate and coumaphos which causes resistance

Honey constituent tau-fluvalinate induced CYP9Q3 expression, whereas the pyrethroid bifenthrin induces CYP9Q1 and CYP9Q2

CYP9Q-mediated detoxification of acaricides in the honey bee (*Apis mellifera*)

Wenke Wolf, May A. Schuler* and May R. Rosenbaum**
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Shift of host by insects

Myzus persicae Tobacco plant

Microsatellite amplification of 100 fold in CYP6CY3 of the polyphagous aphid adapted to feed on tobacco. The enzyme is active in metabolism of nicotine derivatives

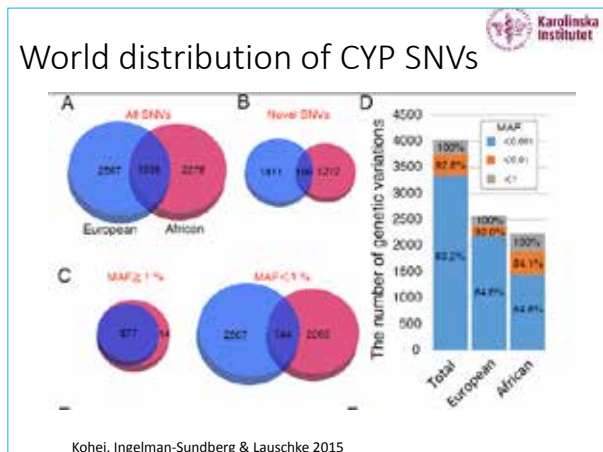
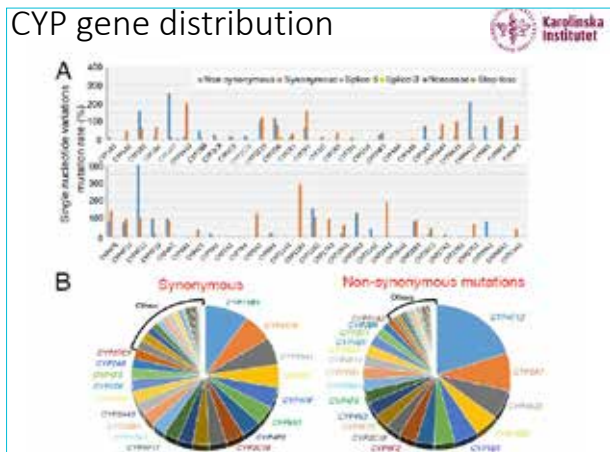
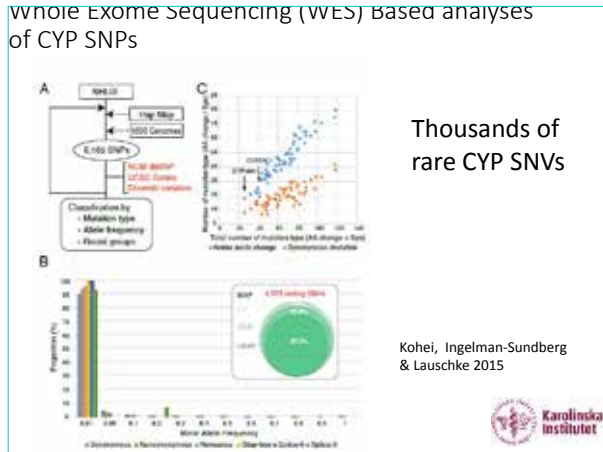
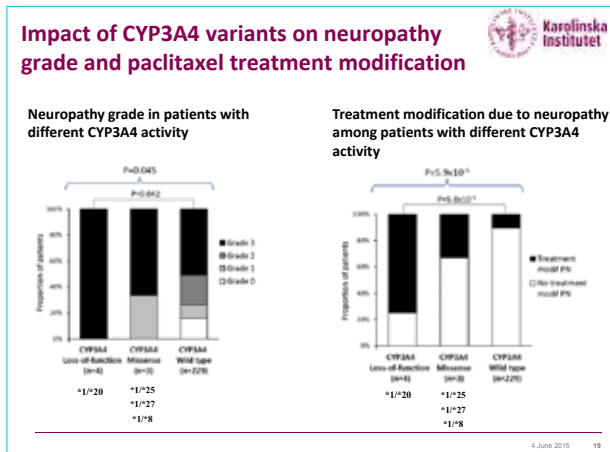
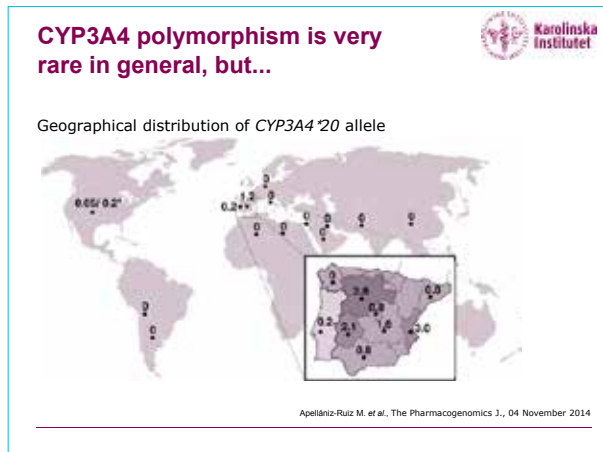
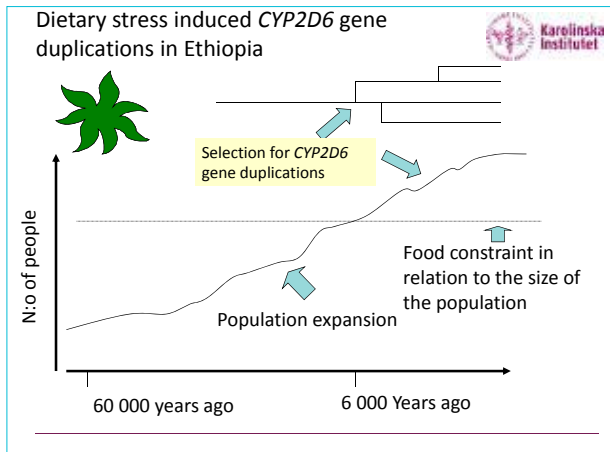
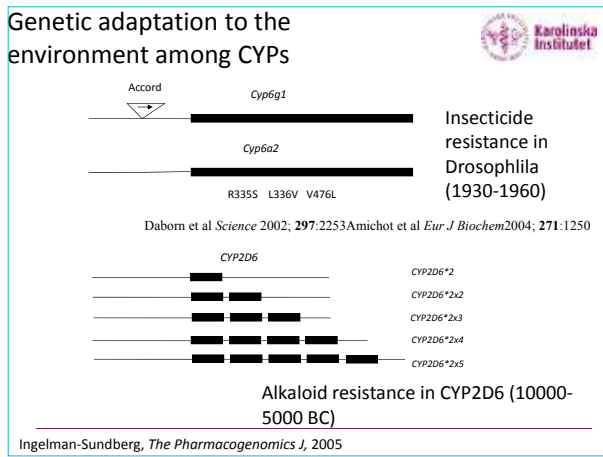
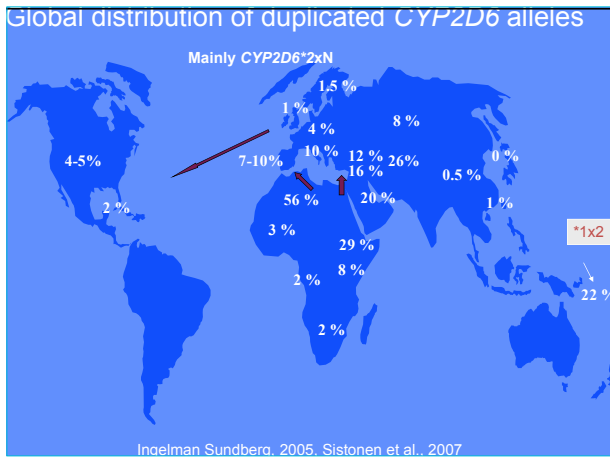
Bass et al., *PNAS* 110, 19460, 2013

The human situation: starting in Ethiopia

Subject for severe starvation periods killing millions of people in each event in the past

Alleles with duplicated and multiduplicated CYP2D6*2 genes

Johansson et al., *PNAS* 90:1945-51, 1993, Akillu et al., *JPET* 278: 441-6, 1996



Pharmacogenomic biomarkers

CYP2C19 genotype and clopidogrel treatment

Clopidogrel (Plavix) → CYP2C19 genotype (PM, EM, UM) → Platelet aggregation

Clopidogrel (Plavix) - antiplatelet

- Myocardial infarction
- Ischemic stroke
- Coronary stent placement
- Coronary syndromes

FDA - Black Box Warning:
Reduced effectiveness in patients carrying two defective CYP2C19 alleles (poor metabolizers)

Meta analysis *17 carriers (coronary artery disease, CAD) N=9 428

Bleedings OR=1.25 (95%CI; 1.07-1.47)
MACE OR=0.82 (95%CI; 1.07-1.47)

Based on Tiroch et al., 2010; Sibbing et al., 2010; Sibbing et al., 2009

Endogenous effects	DME gene	Exogenous factors	Induced effects
Blood pressure	CYP2A1/2	Coffee consumption	
	CYP2A6	Cigarette consumption	Lung cancer risk
	CYP2C9	Warfarin dosage	Bleedings
	CYP2C19	Clopidogrel dosage	Bleedings Thrombosis
Suicide risk	CYP2D6	Codeine treatment	Lack of analgesia OAS depression
		Tamoxifen treatment	Breast cancer recurrence
	CYP3A5	Tacrolimus dosage	
Bilirubin levels	TPMT	6-MP or AZA treatment	Myelotoxicity
	UGT1A1	Irinotecan treatment	Myelotoxicity

Other pharmacogenomic examples

- Cystic fibrosis and warfarin treatment

Average Life Expectancy in Cystic Fibrosis (Better Treatment = Improved Survival)

The CF pathogenesis cascade in the lung.

Amaral M 2015. *Journal Intern Med*

Classes of CFTR mutations

Class	Description	Assoc. CF phenotype	Example variants	Potential treatment strategy
I	Cause splicing defects, frameshift mutations or a premature stop codon resulting in a lack of CFTR expression and impaired biosynthesis.	Severe.	W1282X (c.3846G>A, p.T7010R89), G542X (c.1624C>T, p.L1399S399), R553X (c.1657C>T, p.T4597Z35).	A suppressor which prevents premature termination by reading through premature termination codons. This allows for complete translation.
II	Result in an immature protein that is consequently mostly degraded.	Severe.	F508del (c.1521_1523delCTT, p.S1998Z6652 or p.S11399Z950).	A corrector, which restores folding and increases trafficking to the membrane and/or a potentiator which increases CFTR open probability/gating.
III	Result in proteins which are present at the plasma membrane but have disrupted activation or regulation, resulting in defective CFTR channel gating.	Severe.	G551D (c.1652G>A, p.T552Z2707).	A potentiator, which increases CFTR open probability/gating.
IV	Result in CFTR present at the plasma membrane but with reduced conductance of chloride.	Mild.	R347P (c.1040G>C, p.T793Z196), R334W (c.1000C>T, p.S1219S9011).	A potentiator which increases gating may be able to overcome reduced channel conductance.
V	Result in partly defective processing or synthesis of CFTR.	Mild.	2272-26 A>G (c.3140-26A>G), 3849+104b C>T (c.3717+12191C>T, p.T5750Z9782).	A potentiator, which increases gating may be able to overcome reduced CFTR availability.
VI	Result in CFTR present at the plasma membrane but with reduced conductance of ions (not including chloride) or reduced membrane stability.	Severe.	R111+1.6kb A>G (c.1679+1.6kbA>G), corrected F508del.	Drugs that stabilize CFTR at the plasma membrane.

Boyle et al, *Lancet Resp Med* 2013; 1: 158-63

Treatment of cystic fibrosis with drugs affecting chloride channel

Ivacaftor (Kalydeco) (Bravonon)

First drug that treats an underlying cause of cystic fibrosis to be licensed for use

Increases the open probability (i.e. gating) of cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator channels with the G551D mutation, thus restoring chloride transport

Current and administration

Improves lung function and body weight parameters when used in combination with standard care in adults, adolescents and children aged ≥6 years with cystic fibrosis and the G551D mutation

Generally well tolerated

Increase of 10-11 % in FEV1

Kalydeco/Ivacaftor originally approved for the G551D mutation in ~4% of CF patients

Kalydeco/Ivacaftor was FDA-approved for another 8 gating (Class III) mutations, which together with G551D, account for ~5% of all CF patients.

Boyle et al, *Lancet Resp Med* 2013; 1: 158-63; Deeks, *Drugs* (2013) 73:1595-1604

Further CFTR variants and potential treatment strategy

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Overview

1. Principles of
 - oxygen chemistry and reactivity
 - oxidation of biological molecules
2. The main sites of ROS generation
3. The main endogenous defense systems against ROS and ROS-mediated changes
4. ROS in cell signalling and regulation

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Objective

- Enabling to critically reading the literature and critically understanding experimental results
- To feel at ease in a maze of information

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Free radicals are active participants in diverse processes and they cannot be considered anymore as only damaging agents, but real players in many normal functions of living organisms.

V.I. Lushchak / Chemo-Biological Interactions 224 (2014) 164–175

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ROS as bioactive compounds

- 1954 – Discovery of free radicals in biological materials
- 1969 – Discovery of Superoxide Dismutase
- 1973 – Discovery of bactericidal activity of superoxide
- 1987 – Discovery of nitric oxide as vosorelaxant
- 1995 – Discovery of regulation of hydrogen peroxide by insulin

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Types of ROS

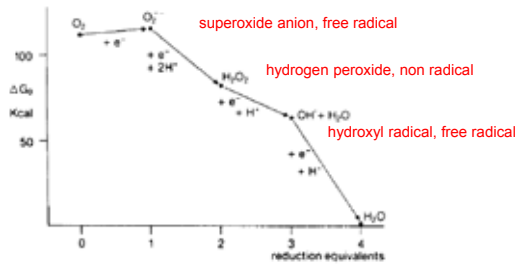
Reactivity
Interconversion

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Types of ROS and their free energy

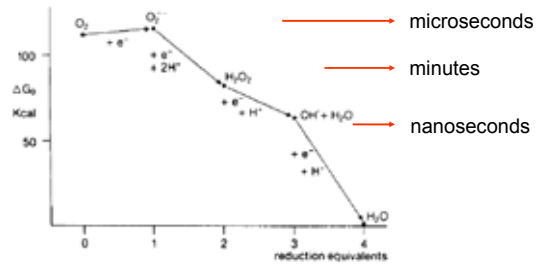
ROS formation is exergonic:
 $O_2 \rightarrow ROS$



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Types of ROS and their half-life reactivity directly depends of their half-life



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ROS in disease

- Diabetes mellitus**
- Neurodegenerative disorders**
 (Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease and Multiple sclerosis),
- Cardiovascular diseases**
 (atherosclerosis and hypertension)
- Respiratory diseases**
 (asthma)
- Cataract development**
- Rheumatoid arthritis**
- Various cancers**
 (colorectal, prostate, breast, lung, bladder cancers).

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ROS in disease

Biochemical mechanisms

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ROS attack on biological molecules

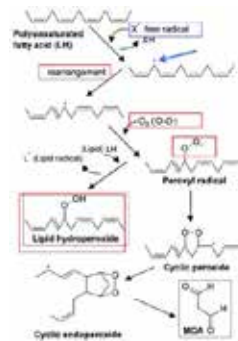
- Lipids
- Proteins
- Nucleic acids

Let's see a few examples

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Lipid peroxidation & malodialdehyde formation



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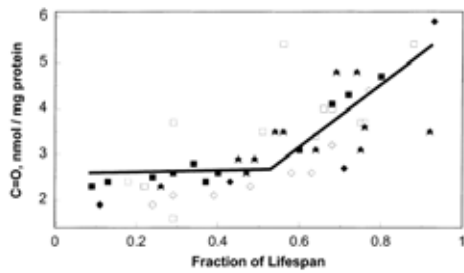
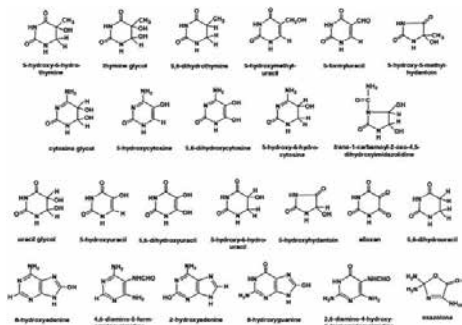


Fig. 1. Carbonyl content of protein from different tissues. One observes a dramatic increase in oxidized protein during the last third of the lifespan. The line is the semi-logarithmic fit to all the data points. The data points were taken from published reports: ■, human dermal fibroblasts in tissue culture (Oliver et al., 1987); ◆, human lens (Garland, 1990); □, human brain obtained at autopsy (Smith et al., 1991); ♦, rat liver (Starko-Reed and Oliver, 1989); and ○, whole fly (Sohal et al., 1993).



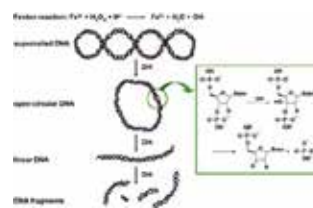
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Figure 1. DNA base products of interaction with reactive oxygen and free radical species.



COOKE M S et al. FASEB J 2003;17:1195-1214

Hydroxylation of ribose



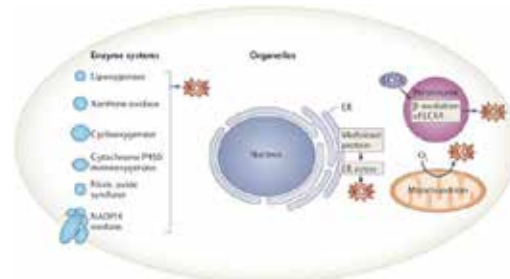
ROS ($O_2^{\cdot-}$) generation

Where in the cell?

At proteins having **redox-active prosthetic groups**

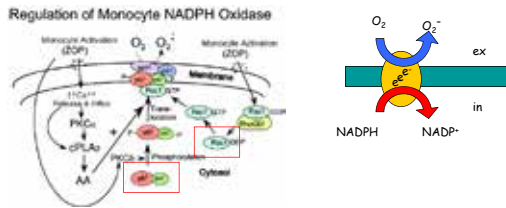
- Heme,
 - FMN₂
 - CoQH₂
1. **Mitochondrion** → electron transport chain
 2. **Endoplasmic reticulum** → cytochrome P450
 3. **Plasma membrane** → NADPH oxidase
 4. **Cytosol** → nitric oxide synthase, xanthine oxidase, etc.

Intracellular sources of reactive oxygen species



Nature Reviews | Molecular Cell Biology
Holmstrom KM, Finkel T.
Nat Rev Mol Cell Biol. 2014 Jun;15(6):411-21

Superoxide anion $O_2^{\cdot-}$ on the plasma membrane



Components of the monocyte/macrophage NADPH oxidase are shown in color-filled circles. The regulatory pathways, controlling NADPH oxidase assembly and activation, are also indicated. Upon monocyte activation by a physiological stimulus, for example opsonized zymosan (ZOP), a serum-coated yeast cell wall, the cytosolic components move to join the membrane components gp91phox and p23phox. The assembly and activation of the NADPH oxidase enzyme complex is regulated by calcium influx, calcium release from intracellular stores, PKC-dependent phosphorylation of cPLA₂, and arachidonic acid (AA) production. AA regulates the translocation of p47phox and p23phox to the membrane. These latter 2 components will not translocate unless first phosphorylated. Recent studies indicate that these phosphorylation events are regulated by PKC. Rac1 is the predominant Rac isoform expressed in monocytes, in contrast to Rac2 in neutrophils. Rac1 dissociates from its inhibitor rhoGDI upon monocyte activation and also translocates to the membrane, where it participates in the fully assembled and active NADPH oxidase.

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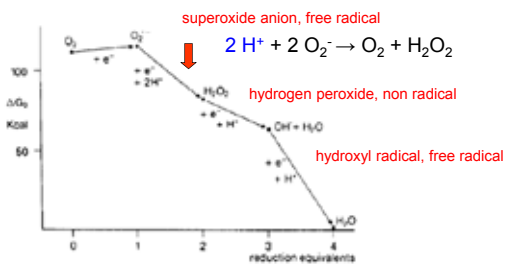
Enzyme-catalysed conversion of ROS to water and oxygen

Enzyme-catalysed defenses against ROS

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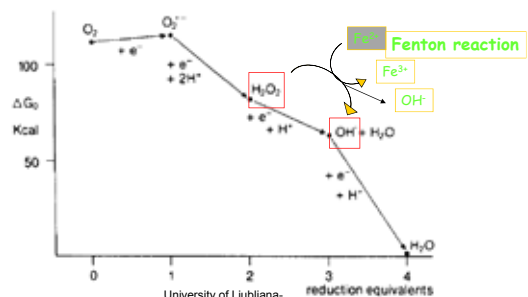
The reaction of superoxide dismutase (EC-Number 1.15.1.1)



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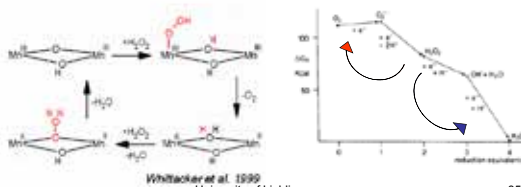
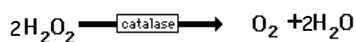
Hydrogen peroxide Why it's better to get rid of



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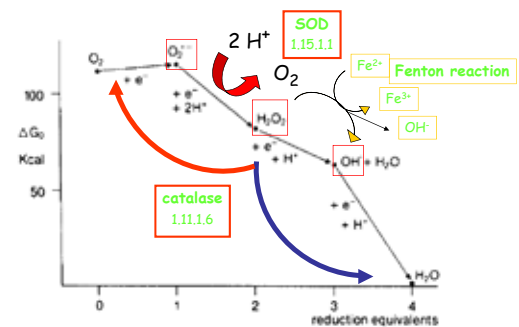
The reaction of catalase (EC-Number 1.11.1.6)



Whittaker et al. 1999
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Competition between the catalase and the Fenton reactions



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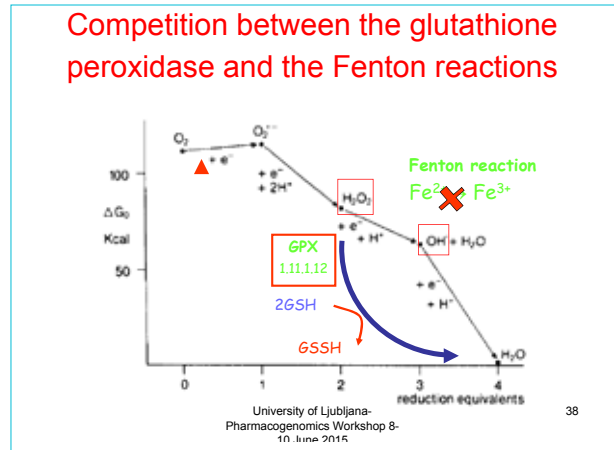
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The reaction of glutathione peroxidase (EC-Number 1.11.1.12)

Peptide bonds
Hydrogen peroxide
glutathione
Lipid hydroperoxide
Lipid
Glutathione disulfide

Glutathione is a tripeptide: γ -glutamylcysteinyl glycine

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The reaction of glutathione reductase (EC-Number 1.8.1.7) regenerates reduced glutathione

$GSSG + NADPH + H^+ \rightarrow 2 GSH + NADP^+$

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Endogenous defenses against ROS: non-enzymatic anti-oxidants

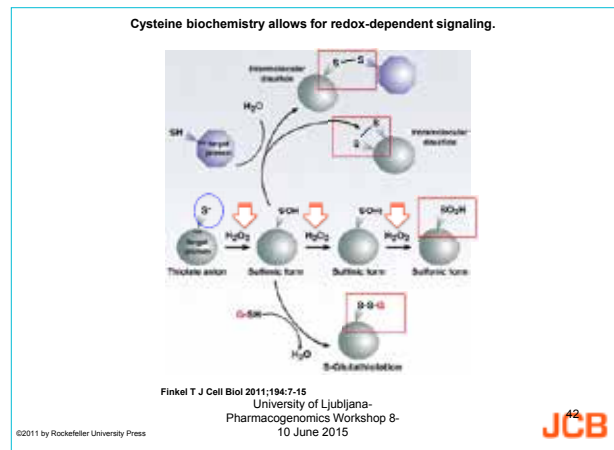
lipoic acid, bilirubin, uric acid, ascorbic acid, flavonoids, carotenoids, ... *not discussed here*

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Biochemical mechanisms

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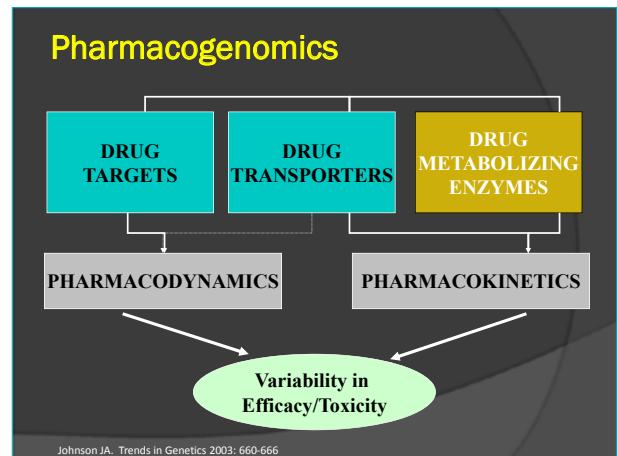
CARDIOVASCULAR PHARMACOGENOMICS



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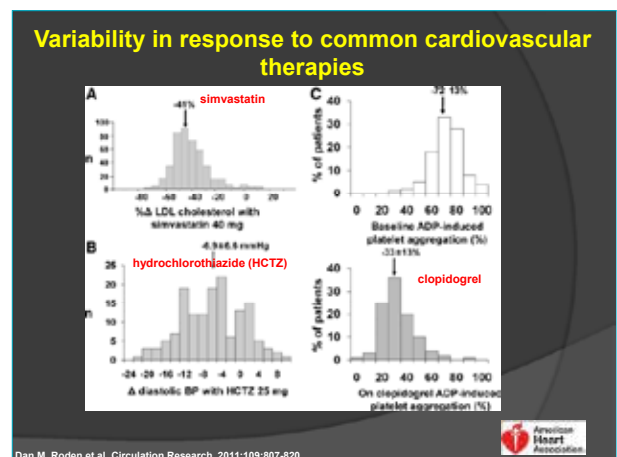
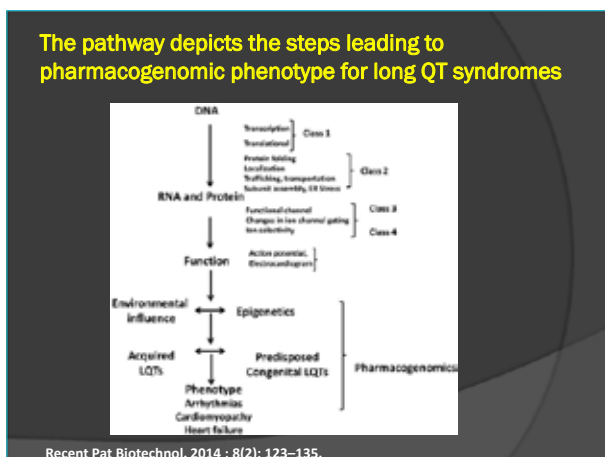



Cardiovascular pharmacogenomics

- Cardiovascular drugs are among the most commonly used in therapy globally.
- Although clinical trials unequivocally demonstrate population benefits with many of these agents, individual patients display striking variability in response;
- Variability in efficacy and serious adverse effects continue to seriously affect therapy.

Cardiovascular pharmacogenomics

- Patients vary in their responses to drug therapy, and some of that variability is genetically determined.
- Examples from specific therapeutic areas include:
 - Antiplatelet agents (Clopidogrel)
 - Anticoagulants (Warfarin)
 - Cholesterol management (Statins)
 - Hypertension
 - Arrhythmias
 - Heart failure



REVIEWS

Genotype-based clinical trials in cardiovascular disease

Naveen L. Perera, Daniel J. Sargent, Michael E. Farkouh and Charanjit S. Rihal

Abstract | Condensed practice guidelines and the implementation of clinical therapeutics advances are usually based on the results of large, randomized clinical trials (RCTs). However, RCTs generally inform us on an average treatment effect for a presumably homogeneous population, but therapeutic interventions rarely benefit the entire population targeted. Indeed, multiple RCTs have demonstrated that inter-individual variability exists both in drug response and in the development of adverse effects. The field of pharmacogenomics promises to deliver the right drug to the right patient. Substantial progress has been made in this field, with advances in technology, statistical and computational methods, and the use of cell and animal model systems. However, clinical implementation of pharmacogenetic principles has been difficult because RCTs demonstrating benefit are lacking. For patients, the potential benefits of performing such trials include the individualization of therapy to maximize efficacy and minimize adverse effects. These trials would also enable investigators to reduce sample size and hence contain costs for trial sponsors. Multiple ethical, legal, and practical issues need to be considered for the conduct of genotype-based RCTs. Whether pre-emptive genotyping embedded in electronic health records will conclude the need for performing genotype-based RCTs remains to be seen.

Perera, N. L. et al. *Nat. Rev. Cardiol.* Advance online publication 8 May 2013; doi:10.1038/nrcard.2013.37

Pharmacogenomics of Clopidogrel

- An antiplatelet drug used in patients with cardiovascular disease to reduce risk for heart attack, stroke, unstable angina, and cardiovascular death.
- The liver's cytochrome P450 (CYP) system converts it to its active metabolite. Several genotypes of the liver enzyme exist in humans: CYP2C19* 2,*3, *4, *5, *6, *7, and *8.
- There are subgroups of patients (2-14% of the population) who are **poor** metabolizers of clopidogrel because of genetic differences (genetic polymorphisms) in this enzyme.
- Racial background is also a factor.
- As a result, these patients do not get the drug's full benefit and have a higher risk for cardiac, cerebrovascular, and peripheral arterial events.

David Holmes, et al. ACC/AHA Clinical Alert, 2010

Pharmacogenetics of Clopidogrel

CYP2C19 polymorphisms exist in 3 major forms.

- CYP2C19*1 – normal function
- Loss-of-function alleles are CYP2C19*2 and CYP2C19*3, accounting for 85-99% of the nonfunctioning alleles for Asians and whites
- Other forms exist that could play a role in reduced clinical response.
- The *number* of reduced function alleles is also important.

David Holmes, et al. ACC/AHA Clinical Alert, 2010

Clopidogrel metabolism and mechanism of action

Amber L. Beitelshees, and Howard L. McLeod Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol. 2006;26:1681-1683

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Antiplatelet Drug Clopidogrel Pathway

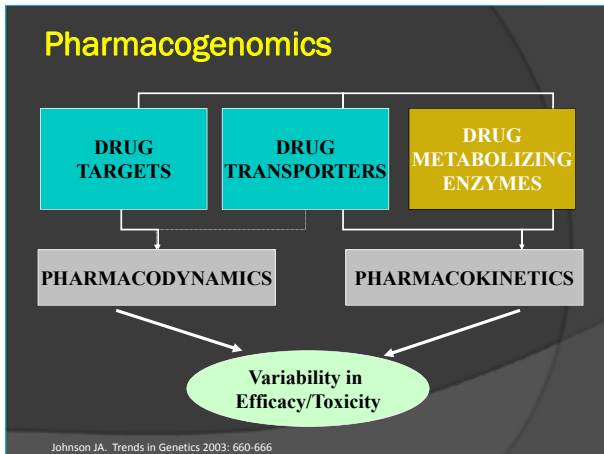
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J Am Coll Cardiol Intv. 2010;3(10):995-1000.

Pharmacogenomics of Clopidogrel

- Duodenal absorption**
 - ABCG1 decreases drug absorption in intestine
- Liver metabolism**
 - CYP2C19*2 or *3 common polymorphism results in the absence of enzyme activity
 - Several other isotypes decrease activity
 - CYP2C19*17 increases effectiveness of drug
 - CYP3A5*3 decreases CYP2C19 activity
- Platelets ADP receptor**
 - P2RY12 decreases effectiveness of the drug

The Pharmacogenomics Journal (2013) 13, 105-106



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From: Clopidogrel Pharmacogenomics: Next Steps: A Clinical Algorithm, Gene – Gene Interactions

Hypothesized Systems Approach to Clopidogrel Response

Larger font items indicate important components in the system. Green font items indicate other forms of testing which may be valuable in assessing drug response.

J Am Coll Cardiol Intv. 2010;3(10):995-1000. doi:10.1016/j.jcin.2010.08.012

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Clopidogrel Pharmacogenomics

Clinical factors assessed used in the PREDICT score

1. CMI	+2
2. CYP	+2
3. Age < 65	+1
4. ACS	+1
5. CYP	+1

Authors suggest use of clinical risk factors, pharmacogenomics and platelet testing:

1. Calculate Score:
 - a) CYP2C19*2, *17 or other non-functional alleles +2
 - b) CYP2C19*17/other non-functional alleles +2
 - c) RED1/ CYP2C19*17 allele pair +1 genotype +1
2. Exclusion to pre-specified age < 75 years, previous CVA or weight < 60 kg
3. Platelet Testing

Pharmacogenomic Algorithm

Based on the PREDICT score: Geisler T, et al. CYP2C19 and nongenetic factors predict poor responsiveness to clopidogrel loading dose after coronary stent implantation. Pharmacogenomics 2008;9:1251-9.

J Am Coll Cardiol Intv. 2010;3(10):995-1000. doi:10.1016/j.jcin.2010.08.012

Ethnic Differences

Approximately

- 50% of Chinese,
- 34% of African Americans,
- 25% of Caucasians and
- 19% of Mexican Americans carry at least 1 copy of the reduced function CYP2C19*2 allele.

David Holmes, et al. ACC/AHA Clinical Alert, 2010

Pharmacogenomics Tests

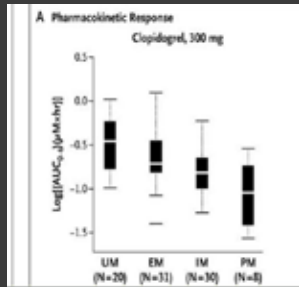
- “Genelex” offers testing for variants of **CYP2C19**.

Genelex Corporation
Seattle, WA, USA
<http://www.healthanddna.com>

Roche Chip for Cytochrome P450 Genes: CYP2C19 and CYP2D6

Xie and Frueh, Pharmacogenomics steps toward Personalized Medicine, Personalized Medicine 2005, 2, 325-337

Clopidogrel (Plavix) and CYP2C19 Alleles



PM: with two reduced function alleles
 IM: one reduced function allele
 EM: no variant alleles;
 UM: one or two *17

Boxed Warning

On March 12, 2010 the FDA approved a boxed warning for clopidogrel to:

- Warn about reduced effectiveness in patients who are poor metabolizers of Plavix. Poor metabolizers do not effectively convert Plavix to its active form in the body.
- Inform healthcare professionals that tests are available to identify genetic differences in CYP2C19 function.
- Advise healthcare professionals to consider use of other anti-platelet medications or alternative dosing strategies for Plavix in patients identified as poor metabolizers.

[FDA Drug Safety Communication: Reduced effectiveness of Plavix \(clopidogrel\) in patients who are poor metabolizers of the drug](#)

FDA Drug Safety Communication, March 2010

Recommendations for Practice

- Adherence to existing guidelines for the use of antiplatelet therapy should remain the foundation for therapy.
- Clinicians must be aware that genetic variability in CYP enzymes alter clopidogrel metabolism, which in turn can affect its inhibition of platelet function.
- The specific impact of the individual genetic polymorphisms on clinical outcome remains to be determined.
- Information regarding the predictive value of pharmacogenomic testing is very limited at this time; resolution of this issue is the focus of multiple ongoing studies.

David Holmes, et al, ACCP/AAHA Clinical Alert, 2010

Recommendations for Practice (Cont'd)

- The evidence base is insufficient to recommend either routine genetic or platelet function testing at the present time.
- There are several possible therapeutic options for patients who experience an adverse event while taking clopidogrel in the absence of any concern about medication compliance.
- Alternative dosing strategies or newer antiplatelet drugs could improve platelet inhibition and might be considered.

David Holmes, et al, ACCP/AAHA Clinical Alert, 2010

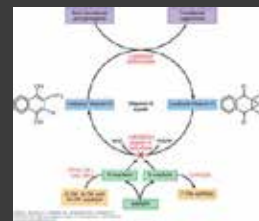
Clopidogrel Summary

Because of a lack of evidence-based data, specific recommendations and strategies for routine genetic testing and identification of optimal care strategies cannot be offered at this time.

"The evidence base is insufficient to recommend either routine genetic or platelet function testing at the present time. There is no information that routine testing improves outcome in large subgroups of patients. In addition, the clinical course of the majority of patients treated with clopidogrel without either genetic testing or functional testing is excellent. ...Careful clinical judgment is required to assess the importance of the variability in response to clopidogrel for an individual patient and its associated risk to the patient."

David Holmes, et al, ACCP/AAHA Clinical Alert, 2010

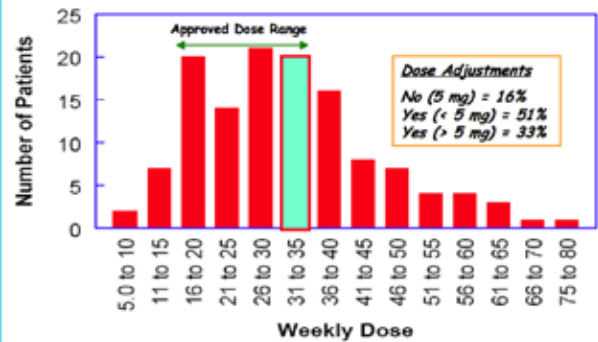
Pharmacogenomics of Warfarin



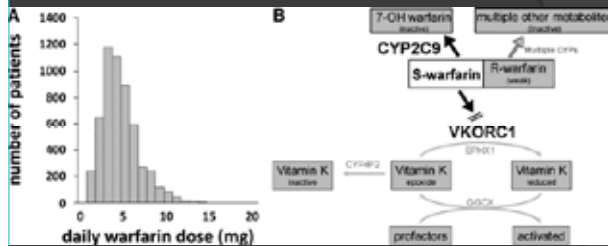
Warfarin: Significant Side-Effects

- Ranks #1 in total mentions of deaths for drugs causing adverse events.
- Ranks among the top drugs associated hospital emergency room visits for bleeding.
- Overall frequency of major bleeding range from 2% to 16% (versus 0.1% for most drugs).
- Minor bleeding event rates in randomized control trials of new anticoagulants has been as high as 29% per year.

Finding Doses to Maintain Therapeutic Anticoagulation is Largely Trial and Error



Multiple genes affecting warfarin dose



Dan M. Roden et al. Circulation Research. 2011;109:807-820

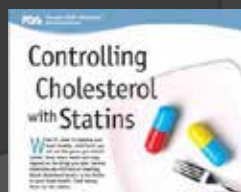


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Genetic Analysis Permits

- More rapid determination of stable therapeutic dose.
- Better prediction of dose than clinical methods alone.
- Applicable to the 70-75% of patients not in controlled anticoagulation centers.
- Reduces between 4,500 and 22,000 serious bleeding events annually.
- **Genetic testing now required by FDA**

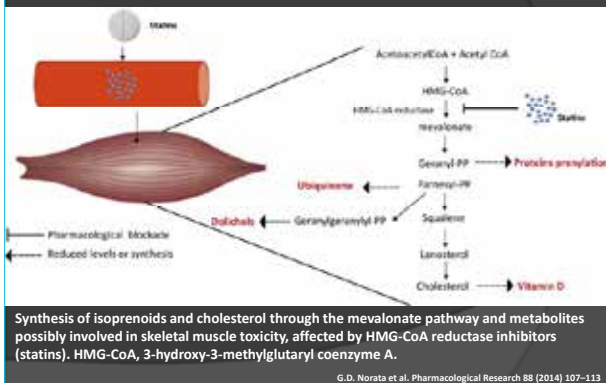
Pharmacogenomics of Statins



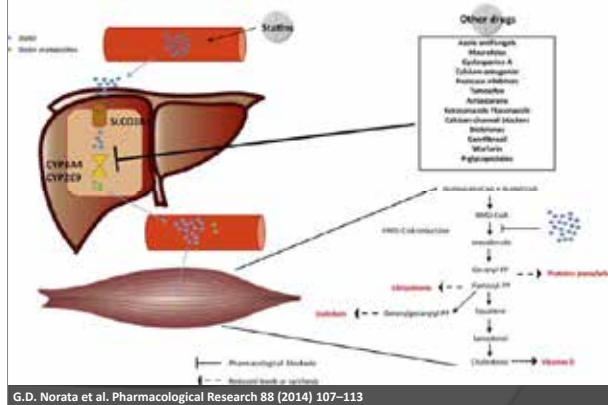
Statins

- Statins are widely used to lower LDL cholesterol by inhibiting HMG-CoA reductase in the liver and are generally regarded as safe.
- The most common statin related adverse drug reaction is skeletal muscle toxicity that ranges from mild to severe and is believed to occur in up to 10–15% of exposed subjects in real world practice.
- Clinician often measure creatine kinase (CK) levels as an approximate index for severity but the correlation between CK and symptoms is at best partial, as is our understanding of the causes predisposing to muscle toxicity.

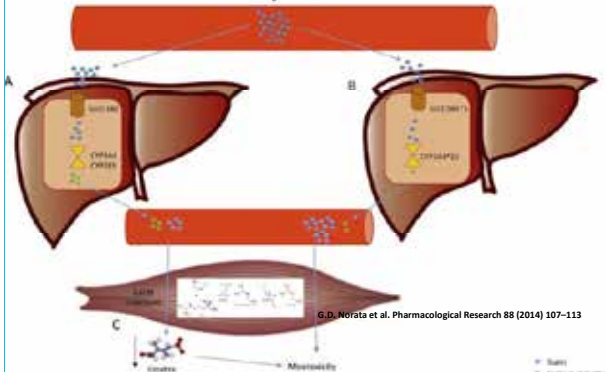
Molecular mechanisms of statin induced toxicity



Statin and Skeletal Muscle Toxicity



Pharmacogenetics of statins



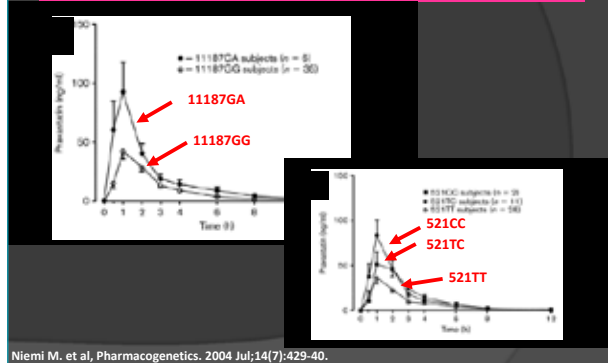
Pharmacogenetics of Statins

- Overall, it is possible to categorize statins genetic related side effects into:
 - those associated with impaired pharmacokinetic in the liver which could result in increased plasma levels of statins, and
 - those related to the alteration in specific genes in the muscles
- Most of the statins are normally bio-transformed via cytochrome p450 3A4 (CYP3A4) with the exception of fluvastatin and rosuvastatin which are mainly metabolized via CYP2E9.
- CYP3A4** it is known to harbor few variants affecting its function compared to the highly polymorphic CYP2D6, recently a relatively frequent SNP in intron 6 termed CYP3A4*22 was shown to affect CYP3A4 expression, resulting in a reduced CYP3A4 activity, and in a better lipid lowering response to simvastatin.

Pharmacogenetics of Statins

- OATP1B1** facilitates the hepatic uptake of statins.
- Strong evidence that at least one variant on *SLCO1B1*, encoding for the anion transporting polypeptide OATP1B1, alters significantly the risk of simvastatin-induced myopathy.
- Furthermore, the possibility of a strong interaction between **CYP3A4** and **OATP1B1** on effective statin dose in favoring muscle toxicity should be considered, indeed genetic related low activity of OATP1B1 coupled with poor CYP3A4 metabolizer status could further influence pharmacokinetics parameters and toxicity.
- Six expression quantitative trait loci (eQTLs) interacted with simvastatin exposure, including rs9806699, a cis-eQTL for the gene **glycine amidinotransferase (GATM)** that encodes the rate-limiting enzyme in creatine synthesis.
 - This locus found to be associated with incidence of statin-induced muscle toxicity in two separate populations.

Individuals with Polymorphisms of OATP1B1 Have Higher Plasma Levels of Pravastatin



Genetic variants that affect the PK of statins

Table 1

Candidate genes implicated in the impact, extent and hepatic metabolism of individual statins currently on the market worldwide.

Statins	SLCO1B1	UGT2B7	UGT2B8	UGT2B10	UGT2B17	UGT2B28	UGT2B29
Atorvastatin	SLCO1B1	UGT2B7	UGT2B8	UGT2B10	UGT2B17	UGT2B28	UGT2B29
Fluvastatin	SLCO1B1	UGT2B7	UGT2B8	UGT2B10	UGT2B17	UGT2B28	UGT2B29
Rosuvastatin	SLCO1B1	UGT2B7	UGT2B8	UGT2B10	UGT2B17	UGT2B28	UGT2B29
Simvastatin	SLCO1B1	UGT2B7	UGT2B8	UGT2B10	UGT2B17	UGT2B28	UGT2B29
Torvastatin	SLCO1B1	UGT2B7	UGT2B8	UGT2B10	UGT2B17	UGT2B28	UGT2B29

J.C. Gellera, A.J. McLachlan / Pharmacological Research 85 (2014) 99–105

Table 2 Clinical trials based on cardiovascular genetics

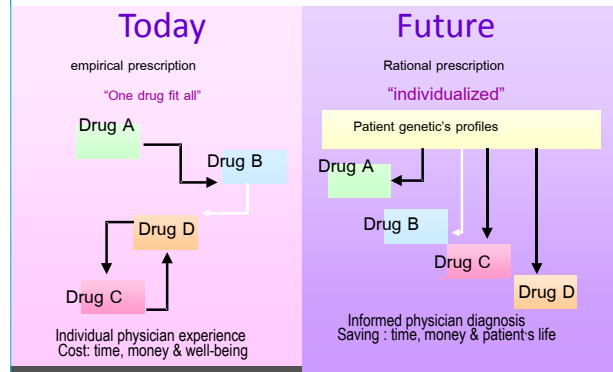
Trial	Study population	Sample size	Pharmacogenetic marker	Treatment groups	Trial design	Primary end points	Findings
GENESTAR	Heart failure	420	APOE1 (APOE1/APOE2)	Simvastatin 40 mg daily vs. 20 mg daily	Randomized, parallel, double-blind, placebo-controlled, superiority trial	Time to first event of cardiovascular death, stroke or all-cause mortality	Not yet published
Statins and Statin Therapy in Patients with Coronary Artery Disease (STATIN)	Patients who were on statins but were not treated with statins	275	SLCO1B1	Statins (rosuvastatin, atorvastatin, simvastatin, pravastatin, fluvastatin, cerivastatin)	Randomized, parallel, double-blind, placebo-controlled, superiority trial	Change in total cholesterol, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, triglycerides	Not yet published
STATIN	Heart failure	1,000	UGT2B7 and UGT2B8	Statins (rosuvastatin, atorvastatin, simvastatin, pravastatin, fluvastatin, cerivastatin)	Randomized, parallel, double-blind, placebo-controlled, superiority trial	Percentage of time in hospital, mortality	Not yet published
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Summary

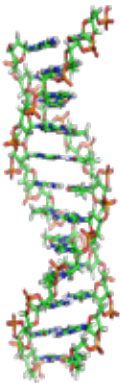
- Substantial progress has been made in the field of pharmacogenomics to study the drug-response phenotype.
- Genetic markers associated with drug toxicity and drug efficacy can be identified by candidate gene, genome-wide association, and next-generation sequencing studies.
- The potential of targeting the right patient with the right drug, and FDA labelling guidance to use pharmacogenetic markers, have provided new impetus to conduct genotype-based randomized clinical trials (RCTs).
- Prospective approaches using a pharmacogenetic-based strategy with enrichment or adaptive designs are being increasingly used in cardiovascular RCTs.
- Clinical adoption of pharmacogenetics in the practice of cardiovascular medicine will become a reality when a transition has been made from conducting genetic association studies to rigorously performed genotype-based RCTs.

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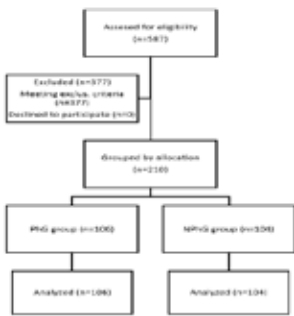
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Šupe S, Poljaković Z, Božina T, Ljevak J, Macolić Šarinić V, Božina N. **Clinical Application of Genotype-guided Dosing of Warfarin in Patients with Acute Stroke.** Arch Med Res. 2015 May

BACKGROUND:
Patients with certain types of stroke need urgent anticoagulation and it is extremely important for them to achieve fast and stable anticoagulant effect and receive individualized treatment during the initiation of warfarin therapy.

METHODS

- We conducted a prospective study among 210 acute stroke patients who had an indication for anticoagulation and compared the impact of CYP2C9 and VKORC1 genotype-guided warfarin dosing (PhG) with fixed dosing (NPhG) on anticoagulation control and clinical outcome between groups.



Consort diagram
Assesed for eligibility (587 Caucasian patients with acute ischemic stroke), Grouped by allocation [eligible patients with an indication for urgent anticoagulation with warfarin that meets inclusion criteria, 36%(N=210) of total], PhG group (patients in pharmacogenetically-guided group, N=106); NPhG group (patients without pharmacogenotypisation, fixed-dosing group, N=104)

Inclusion and exclusion criteria for the study

Inclusion criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Previously taking warfarin due to atrial fibrillation, mechanical heart valves, deep vein thrombosis, pulmonary embolism 2. Newly discovered atrial fibrillation confirmed by HOLTRE-ECG 3. Acute dissection of intracranial arteries 4. Patent foramen ovale with septal aneurysm 5. Cerebral venous sinus thrombosis
Exclusion criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Age<18 year 2. Hemorrhage in the brain, detected by CT scan, except in patients with cerebral venous thrombosis 3. Malignancy, pregnancy 4. Hepatic/renal insufficiency

Primary and secondary endpoints results among PhG/NPhG patients

Patients	PhG (N=106) 95% CI	NPhG (N=104) 95%CI
De	3.6-4.2	0
Di	5.8-6.6	6.0
Dm	3.4-4.0	3.6-4.5
T-Dm*	10(9.9-10.7)	13.9(13.3-14.7)
Tm*	16.1(15.7-16.4)	14.1(13.5-14.6)
To*	0.0(0.07-0.7)	1.6(1.0-2.3)
T%*	76.6(74.7-78.5)	67.0(64.5-69.5)
Ttg*	4.2(4.1-4.6)	5.2(4.7-6.3)

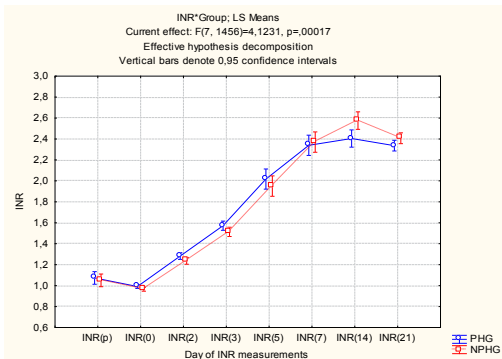
De(estimated dose, mg); Di (dose of introduction, mg); Dm(stable maintenance dose, mg); T-Dm* (time needed to achieve stable maintenance dose, days)
Tm*(time spent within the therapeutic INR range, days); To* (time spent within the INR>3.1, days); T%* (proportion of time within the therapeutic INR range); Ttg* (time required to reach target INR values, days)

Demographic and clinical data among PhG and NPhG patients

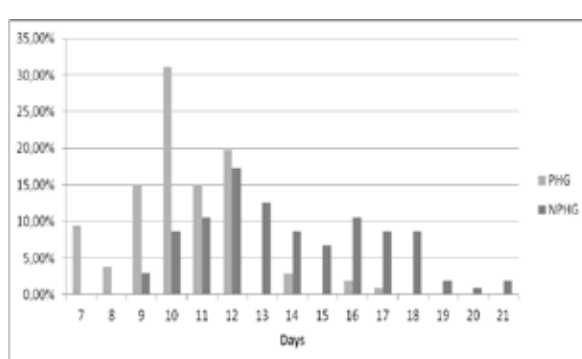
Patients	PhG (N=106)	NPhG (N=104)
gender	Female 60 (56%)	Female 62 (60%)
	Mean (95% CI)	Mean(95%CI)
Age (year)	67.7(65.1-70.3)	69.5(67.1-71.8)
Weight (kg)	75.1(73.1-77.2)	74.3(72.3-76.5)
Height (cm)	174.2(162.5-186.6)	(175.4(163.1-187.2)
De(estimated dose, mg)	3.8(3.6-4.2)	0
Di (dose of introduction, mg)	6.0(5.8-6.6)	6.0
Dm(stable maintenance dose, mg)	3.5(3.4-4.0)	4.1(3.6-4.5)

Day of INR measur.	N(%) PhG < target INR	N(%) PhG in target INR 2-3	N(%) PhG INR>3,1	N(%) PhG INR>4	N(%) NPhG <target INR	N(%) NPhG in target INR 2-3	N(%) NPhG INR>3,1	N(%) NPhG INR>4
INR(3)	88(83.2)	18(16.98)	0	0	97(93.27)	7(6.73)	0	0
INR(5)	36(33.96)	67(63.21)	0	3(2.83)	56(53.85)	42(40.38)	4(3.85)	2(1.92)
INR(7)	4(3.77)	96(90.57)	5(4.72)	1(0.94)	18(17.31)	70(67.31)	14(13.46)	2(1.92)
INR(14)	0	105(99.06)	0	1(0.94)	4(3.85)	84(80.77)	14(13.46)	2(1.92)
INR(21)	2(1.89)	104(98.11)	0	0	1(0.96)	102(98.08)	1(0.96)	0

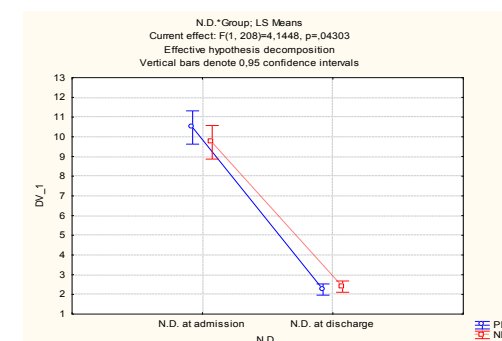
Percentage of PhG and NPhG patients who achieved target INR ≥ 2 , therapeutic INR 2-3, supratherapeutic INR >3.1 or INR >4 , depending on the day of INR measurement;



Time required to achieve the target International Normalized Ratio (INR) ≥ 2 and the average INR values depending on the day of INR measurements and monitoring in PhG (pharmacogenetically-guided) and NPhG (fixed dosing) patients (p=0.0017)



Frequencies of patients in pharmacogenetic-dosing group (PhG) and fixed-dosing group (NPhG), depending on the day of achieving stable maintenance dose (p=0.000)



Differences between the neurological deficit at admission (ND at admission, NIHSS) and neurological deficit at the end of the study (ND at discharge, mRS) between PhG and NPhG (p=0.043)

CONCLUSION

We confirmed that warfarin therapy with genotype-guided dosing instead of fixed dosing reduces the time required for stabilization and improves anticoagulant control with better clinical outcome in early stages of warfarin therapy introduction among acute stroke patients, which is essential for clinical practice.

Mitropoulou C, Fragoulakis V, Bozina N, et al. Economic evaluation of pharmacogenomic-guided warfarin treatment for elderly Croatian atrial fibrillation patients with ischemic stroke. *Pharmacogenomics* 2015;16(2):137-48.

- We developed a pharmaco-economic model to assess whether pharmacogenomic (PGx)-guided warfarin treatment of elderly ischemic stroke patients with atrial fibrillation in Croatia is cost effective compared with non-PGx therapy. The time horizon of the model was set at 1 year.

Our pharmacoeconomic model is a decision tree constructed in a TreeAge Pro Suite 2013 (TreeAge Software, Inc., Williamstown, MA) (Fig. 1).

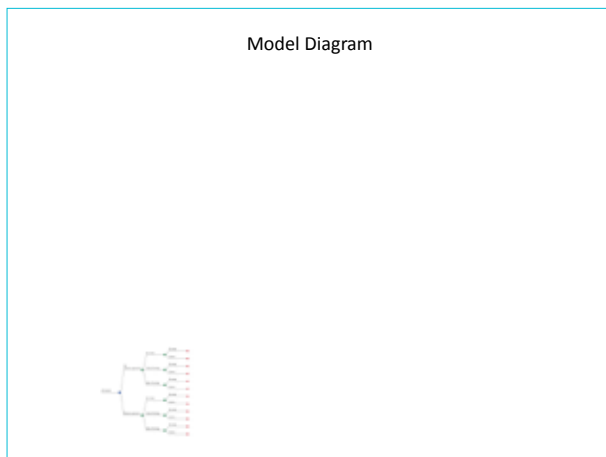
- Our model was populated with cost data from Croatia public tariff lists, in line with current treatment guidelines on patient management, outcomes and economic consequences.
- Differences relate only to the cost of the resources 'consumed' at each corresponding node of the model and the corresponding transition probabilities.

- The structure of the model is identical for both arms and the differences relate only to the cost of the resources expensed and the transition and outcome probabilities in different nodes of the model.
- The model simulates the progression of patients from the moment they start therapy, to various states based on specified probabilities which were collected from our study and from the literature.
- The likelihood of moving between different states is influenced by the effectiveness of each therapy and hence the cost and quality-adjusted years of life.

- The transition probabilities for the first 6 months of the model were based on available data from the study. The transition probabilities concerning the remaining 6 months beyond the duration of our data, was extracted by a study conducted by (De Caterina et al, 2010), while the utility values used in the model was extracted by a similar cost-effectiveness analysis published by Leey, J.A. *Am J Geriatr Pharmacother* 2009.

As illustrated in figure 1, patients can transition from the initial state to three distinct states including "no event", "major bleeding" and "minor bleeding".

From these states each patients may "survive" or "die" within a one-year time horizon.



	Pharmacogenomics (PGx)	Non Pharmacogenomics (N-PGx)	P value
Number of patients, n (%)			
All	104 (100%)	102 (100%)	0.555
Male	45 (43.3%)	40 (39.2%)	
Female	59 (56.7%)	62 (60.8%)	
Age, mean ± SD (years)			
All	67.7±13.6	69.6±12.2	0.424
Male	66.5±12.0	67.2±11.3	0.919
Female	68.7±14.7	71.1±12.6	0.449
Weight, mean± SD (kg)			
All	75.2±10.5	74.3±10.5	0.515
Male	83.9±6.5	83.2±7.0	0.557
Female	68.6±7.7	68.6±8.1	0.911
Reason for oral anticoagulant therapy, n (%)			
Chronic Atrial Fibrillation	24 (23.1%)	21 (20.6%)	0.666
Artificial Aortic Valve	7 (6.7%)	7 (6.9%)	0.970
Deep venous thrombosis (DVT) or pulmonary embolism (PE)	4 (3.8%)	1 (1.0%)	0.377
Newly diagnosed Chronic Atrial Fibrillation	53 (51.0%)	64 (62.7%)	0.08
Dissection	10 (9.6%)	5 (4.9%)	0.301
Thrombosis of venous sinuses	3 (2.9%)	2 (2.0%)	0.667
Foramen Ovale Apatum			0.984

Probabilities, costs and utility values used in the Model

	Mean	SD*	Source
Transition Probabilities			
Minor bleeding (PGx)	0.087	0.028	Study calculations
Major bleeding (PGx)	0.029	0.016	"
Minor bleeding (N-PGx)	0.157	0.036	"
Major bleeding (N-PGx)	0.108	0.031	"
No_event_to_mortality	0.044	0.003	"
Major_Bleeding_to_Mortality	0.133	0.025	[31]
Minor_bleeding_to_mortality	0.053	0.011	[31]
Values			
Mortality	6 months Alive		Assumption
Survive	12 months Alive		Assumption
Utility Values			
AF without complications	0.98	-	[36]
Major Bleeding	0.8 for one month	-	[36]

	month		
Death	0	-	[36]
Drugs	Costs (€)		
1 mg of warfarin	0.0136		Local Economic Data
Extra costs in case of major bleeding:			
A. 1 day in hospital 105 euros, for extra 8 days	840		"
B. CT scan x 2 (75.9 x 2)	151.8		"
C. Additional tests for INR 10x 2,1 eur	21		"
D. Frozen plasma and vitamin K for 1 day	350.5		"
E. Colistin (polymyxin E) for 10 days	537.66		"
F. Ciprinol (ciprofloxacin) for 10 days	208.36		"
G. Meronem (meropenem) for 10 days	525.97		"
H. Endoscopic interventions in case of gastrointestinal bleeding	373.5		"
Cost of Genetic Analysis	140.25		"

Cost Differences between Pharmacogenomics (PGx) and Non-Pharmacogenomics (N-PGx) groups per patient in the primary analysis

	Cost of Bleeding	Cost of INR	Cost of warfarin	Cost of Test	Total Cost
PGx Group					
B-Mean	28.07 €	17.95 €	1.40 €	140.25	187.68 €
B-SD	15.72 €	0.14 €	0.04 €	-	15.74 €
B-95% LCI	2.51 €	17.68 €	1.32 €	-	162.10 €
B-95% UCI	63.82 €	18.23 €	1.49 €	-	223.44 €
B-min	0.00 €	17.46 €	1.26 €	-	159.16 €
B-max	103.39 €	18.51 €	1.58 €	-	262.90 €
N-PGx Group					
B-Mean	147.39 €	23.16 €	1.53 €	-	172.07 €
B-SD	39.04 €	0.19 €	0.02 €	-	39.03 €
B-95% LCI	76.14 €	22.79 €	1.50 €	-	100.67 €
B-95% UCI	228.50 €	23.52 €	1.56 €	-	253.21 €
B-min	24.76 €	22.43 €	1.46 €	-	49.32 €
B-max	310.47 €	23.87 €	1.59 €	-	335.47 €
Cost Differences (N-PGx vs PGx)					
B-Mean	119.32 €	5.20 €	0.12 €	-140.25	-15.60 €
B-SD	40.43 €	0.25 €	0.05 €	-	40.43 €
B-95% LCI	41.95 €	4.72 €	0.03 €	-	-92.89 €
B-95% UCI	202.69 €	5.69 €	0.21 €	-	67.45 €

RESULTS

- Our primary analysis indicates that 97.07% of patients belonging to the PGx-guided group have not had any major complications, compared with the control group (89.12%; p < 0.05).
- The total cost per patient was estimated at €538.7 (95% CI: €526.3-551.2) for the PGx-guided group versus €219.7 (95% CI: €137.9-304.2) for the control group.

Results

- In terms of quality-adjusted life-years (QALYs) gained, total QALYs was estimated at 0.954 (95% CI: 0.943-0.964) and 0.944 (95% CI: 0.931-0.956) for the PGx-guided and the control groups, respectively.
- The true difference in QALYs was estimated at 0.01 (95% CI: 0.005-0.015) in favor of the PGx-guided group. The incremental cost-effectiveness ratio of the PGx-guided versus the control groups was estimated at €31,225/QALY.

Results

- The TC (time to achieve targeted INR) in case of the PGx group was estimated at 5.64 days (95%CI: 5.41-5.89), while in the N-PGx arm TC was 7.11 days (95%CI: 6.80-7.43; $p < 0.05$)
- Tmd (time to achieve maintenance dose) was 10.35 days (95%CI: 10.05-10.65) in the PGx group compared to 13.87 days (95%CI: 10.05-10.65) in the N-PGx group

Results

- The total cost per patient in the PGx arm was estimated at €187.68 (95%UI: €162.10-€5,901), while in the N-PGx arm the cost was €172.07 (95%UI: €100.67-€253.21), a non significant difference of €-15.60 (95%UI: €-92.69- €67.45) in favor of N-PGx group
- The main item driving total treatment costs was the cost of pharmacogenomic testing in the PGx group, accounting for approximately 75% of the total costs in this arm.

Results

- The mean cost of bleeding was estimated at €28.07 (95%UI: €2.51-€63.52) in the PGx arm, whilst the costs in the N-PGx arm were €147.39 (95%CI: €76.14-€228.50), reaching a statistically significant difference at €119.32 (95%CI: €41.95-€202.69) in favour of the PGx group.
- The difference between the two arms concerning the cost of bleeding, was due to the fact that bleeding was more frequent in control group. The cost of INR testing and warfarin was lower in both arms.

- Deterministic results indicate that PGx arm was associated with higher cost per patient and higher total QALYs gained compared with the N-PGx arm.
- The incremental cost-effectiveness ratio was estimated at €31,225/QALY. In terms of QALYs gained, total QALYs was estimated at 0.954 (95%CI: 0.943-0.964) and 0.944 (95%CI: 0.931-0.956) for PGx and N-PGx, respectively.
- The true difference in QALYs was estimated at 0.01 (95%CI: 0.005-0.015) in favor of PGx.

- We have then plotted the cost-effectiveness acceptability curve to demonstrate the probability (on the y-axis) that PGx may be cost-effective compared to the N-PGx for a range (on the x-axis) of maximum monetary values that a decision-maker might be willing to pay per QALY

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- The results from the Probabilistic Sensitivity Analysis were illustrated by plotting the distribution of differences in costs and effects in the cost-effectiveness plane (Fig. 2). All the simulation experiments fell into the North East quadrant indicating that the PGx arm was slightly more expensive but, at the same time, more effective than N-PGx.

Scatter Plot of probabilistic analysis (PGx vs N-PGx)

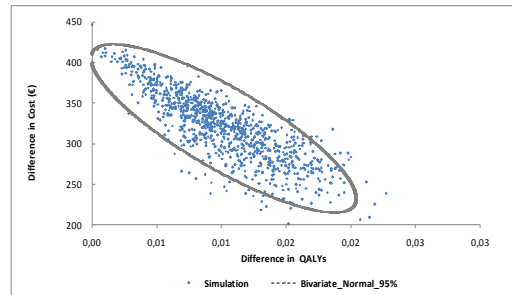
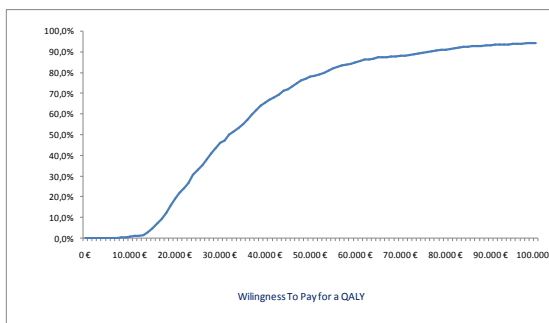


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Cost effectiveness acceptability curve for PGx vs N-PGx



Our data show that the probability of PGx being cost-effective increases significantly at a willingness-to-pay threshold in the range of €40,000 to €50,000 per QALY [35], used in many jurisdictions; notably, at €60,000 per QALY its probability of cost-effectiveness is higher than 80%.

COST EFFECTIVENESS RESULTS (DETERMINISTIC ANALYSIS) FOR PGX VS N-PGX IN THE MODEL

	Cost per patient	Effectiveness (QALYs)	Incremental Cost ¹	Incremental Effectiveness ¹	ICER
PGx	€538.7	0.954	€319.4	0.01023	€31.225/QALY
N-PGx	€219.2	0.943	-	-	-

Probabilistic Results of the Model

	Statistics	N-PGx	PGx
Cost	Mean	219.7 €	538.7 €
	SD	43.2 €	6.3 €
	Minimum	96.2 €	520.3 €
	2.5%	137.9 €	526.3 €
	10%	163.1 €	530.4 €
	Median	218.0 €	538.6 €
	90%	274.5 €	546.7 €
	Maximum	395.5 €	561.9 €
QALYs	Mean	0.944	0.954
	SD	0.007	0.005
	Minimum	0.919	0.931
	2.5%	0.931	0.943
	10%	0.935	0.947
	Median	0.944	0.954
	90%	0.953	0.961
	Maximum	0.962	0.968

CONCLUSION

- Overall, our data indicate that PGx-guided warfarin treatment may represent a cost-effective therapy option for the management of elderly patients with atrial fibrillation who developed ischemic stroke in Croatia.

Conflicting results

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The effects of the CYP2C9, VKORC1 and MDR1 gene polymorphisms on warfarin therapy individualization

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Achievement of stable anticoagulant effects (INR 2.5-3.5) according to diagnosis (n=106)

	Stable INR achieved			OR _{uv}	95% CI
	yes n (%)	no n (%)	total n (%)		
Atrial fibrillation					
no	16 (23,2)	53 (76,8)	69 (100,0)	1	
yes	12 (54,5)	10 (45,5)	22 (100,0)	4,0 (1,45-10,90)	
Deep vein thrombosis					
no	16 (44,4)	20 (55,6)	36 (100,0)	1	
yes	12 (21,8)	43 (78,2)	55 (100,0)	0,4 (0,14-0,87)	
Pulmonary embolism					
no	23 (29,9)	54 (70,1)	77 (100,0)	1	
yes	5 (35,7)	9 (64,3)	14 (100,0)	1,3 (0,39-4,32)	
NYHA					
no heart failure	10 (18,9)	43 (81,1)	53 (100,0)	1	
heart failure	18 (47,4)	20 (52,6)	38 (100,0)	3,9 (1,52-9,88)	

Outcomes after first 5 days of starting therapy with warfarin

	FG(n=106)	NFG(n=99)	P	effects	95% CI
Total sample					
Percentage of time within the INR 2-4	14 (19.2)	16 (19.0)	0.513	MD -2	(-7-4)
Achieved stable dose *, n (%)	22 (20.8)	22 (22.2)	0.798	OR 0.92	(0.45-1.88)
Adverse side effects, n (%)	8 (7.5)	5 (5.1)	0.464	OR 1.54	(0.44-5.63)
Atrial fibrillation					
Percentage of time within the INR 2-4	26 (25.0)	14 (18.6)	0.04	MD 12	(0-23)
Achieved stable dose , n (%)	14 (46.7)	7 (21.9)	0.039	OR 3.13	(1.42-10.98)
Adverse side effects, n (%)	3 (10.0)	2 (6.3)	0.588	OR 1.67	(0.2-15.67)
Deep vein thrombosis					
Percentage of time within the INR 2-4	11 (16.1)	16 (20.2)	0.083	MD -6	(-12-1)
Achieved stable dose , n (%)	8 (12.9)	14 (23.0)	0.146	OR 0.5	(0.17-1.41)
Adverse side effects, n (%)	4 (6.5)	2 (3.3)	0.414	OR 2.03	(0.3-16.73)
Pulmonary embolism					
Percentage of time within the INR 2-4	18 (25)	21 (19)	0.637	MD -3	(-18-11)
Achieved stable dose , n (%)	4 (25.0)	7 (29.2)	0.772	OR 0.81	(0.15-4.15)
Adverse side effects, n (%)	1 (6.3)	2 (8.3)	0.806	OR 0.73	(0.02-11.96)

Univariate correlation of MDR1 2677G <T/A and CYP2C9 * 2 * 3 genotype to the achievement of the therapeutic range (INR 2-4) in the first 5 days of the introduction of warfarin (n=106)

MDR1 2677G>T/A	CYP2C9*2*3	INR (2-4)			P
		Achieved	Not achieved	total	
GT	*1*1	9 (30,0)	21 (70,0)	30 (100,0)	0,003
	*1*2	2 (18,2)	9 (81,8)	11 (100,0)	
	*1*3, *2*2, *2*3	9 (81,8)	2 (18,2)	11 (100,0)	
TT	*1*1	6 (54,5)	5 (45,5)	11 (100,0)	0,434
	*1*2	4 (80,0)	1 (20,0)	5 (100,0)	
	*1*3, *2*2, *2*3	3 (42,9)	4 (57,1)	7 (100,0)	
GG	*1*1	8 (44,4)	10 (55,6)	18 (100,0)	0,762
	*1*2	3 (37,5)	5 (62,5)	8 (100,0)	
	*1*3, *2*2, *2*3	1 (25,0)	3 (75,0)	4 (100,0)	

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● ● ● | FEEDBACK

Is essential for progress in training

Establishes the culture of positive collaboration of trainer and trainee

Helps trainee to **take responsibility for hers/ his own training**

● ● ● | FEEDBACK

WHY BOTHER?

BECAUSE:

It raises trainee's self-awareness

Reinforces good practice

Motivates trainee

Improves performance

● ● ● | If you want to be heard:

Use **positive words** when giving feedback

○ Try to say:

- "it would be better..."
- "can we discuss together what you are going to do"

○ Instead of: "do not do that!"

● ● ● | Trainees tell about feedback:

That they are unaware they are performing poorly or making mistakes: *"No-one told me my technique was poor"*

That feedback given badly can damage confidence: *"I felt awful"*

That inconsistent feedback does more harm than good: *"Different people tell you different things about the same problem"*

● ● ● | Why do trainers not give feedback:

○ We do not know how to do it not to insult the trainee

○ Some trainees do not accept our feedback

● ● ● | **EFFECTIVE FEEDBACK**

Positive

Timed

Based on personal experience

Non-judgmental

- ● ● | **EFFECTIVE FEEDBACK**
- **Praise in public**
- **Criticize in private**
- **5 : 1**
positive : negative

- ● ● | **EFFECTIVE FEEDBACK**
- Be specific (“the use of vacuum extraction in that situation was problematic”)
- Focus on actions not personality
- Constructive
- Encourage self-reflection
- Frequent, in small steps
- **Do not apologize**

- ● ● | **Encourage self-reflection***
- “tell me about this event”
- “what would you do differently next time”
- ***VERY DIFFICULT IF THE TRAINEE IS IMMUNE TO CRITICISM**

- ● ● | **Pendelton’s rule**
- Let the trainee comment **what s/he did good**
- Let the appraiser comment **what trainee did good**
- Let the trainee comment **what s/he could do better**
- Let the appraiser comment **what trainee could do better**

- ● ● | **Exercise: mini talk**
- Prepare a short talk
 - Non medical
 - 3 minutes maximum
 - prepare to give feedback (Pendelton’s points 1 and 3)
- The audience: prepare to give feedback (points 2 and 4)

APPRAISAL

A part of EBCOG TTT

APPRAISAL

TO SET GOALS FOR THE TRAINEE

APPRAISAL vs ASSESSMENT

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APPRAISAL vs ASSESSMENT

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sets goals | <input type="checkbox"/> Tests competence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gives support and guidance | <input type="checkbox"/> Objective measurement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For the trainee | <input type="checkbox"/> For licencing body |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In house | <input type="checkbox"/> Independent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Informal | <input type="checkbox"/> Formal |

WHY APPRAISAL

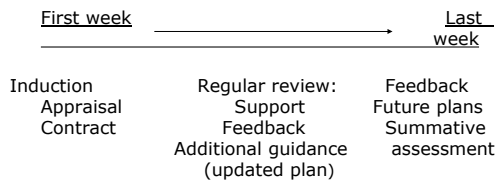
Appraisal should improve education

(Assessment tests knowledge/ skills/ attitude comparing them to minimal standards)

EFFECTIVE APPRAISAL

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Listen | <input type="checkbox"/> Confidentiality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Support | <input type="checkbox"/> Positive feedback |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advise | <input type="checkbox"/> Pendelton's rules |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Identify areas for improvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Do not talk too much |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Be honest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inform directly | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plan next meeting | |

APPRAISAL - THE EDUCATIONAL CYCLE



APPRAISAL: how to do it

□ Introductory interview 1

- In **the first** week after the start of training!!
 - **Take time**
 - Get to know the trainee (CV)
 - Inform about **time schedules** and describe **hers/ his work**
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APPRAISAL: how to do it

□ Introductory interview 2

- Be specific about **goals**
 - Determine **how you two will check the obtained goals**
 - Set **the date** for next appraisal
 - Make a **contract**. Sign. There is a possibility to do that in the LogBook
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APPRAISAL: how to do it

Regular review

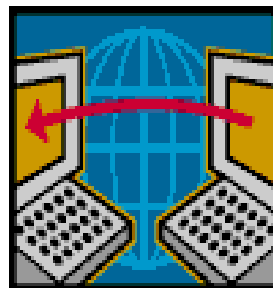
- Check (see PDCA cycle)
 - Set new goals
 - Take care of additional necessary knowledge/ skills/ attitude
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APPRAISAL: how to do it

Be realistic after the first year. Ask this question:

are there goals the trainee will never be able to accomplish and is it perhaps better to re-direct him/ her to another specialization?

COMMUNICATION TRAINER - TRAINEE



Better try to make it in person

Modes of appraisal

- Trainer's opinion
- MSF (multisource feedback, 360 degrees appraisal)
- NOTSS (non technical skills for surgeons)

Multisource Feedback (MSF)



Assesses

- behaviour**
- team working**
- communication skills**

Multisource Feedback (MSF)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Collection of data on doctor's performance from a range of co-workers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Specialists ■ Trainees ■ Midwives | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Trainees give forms to 15 co-workers they choose |
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Multisource Feedback (MSF)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Feedback collected by educational supervisor, at least 10 forms and self-evaluation form | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion with trainee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Find trainee's strengths ■ Find areas for development |
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EFFECTIVE FEEDBACK

informal

- After each training session

formal

- Arrange time
- Collect relevant data
- Make notes prior to meeting
- Reinforce good practice
- Identify, analyse and explore possible solutions to deficiencies in practice
- Make a plan to address these

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- Interview after 6 months
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DIFFICULT APPRAISAL

DIFFICULT APPRAISAL: use Pendelton's rule

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Wallflower	Bramble
Flytrap	Trainees can be like those

DIFFICULT APPRAISAL – TRAINEE WITH PROBLEMS

- Prepare for the discussion
 - Have the documents ready
 - Write "minutes" – and put them into his/her CV

 - Focus on **performance**, not on personality
 - Be honest, do not judge
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TRAINEE	Ambitious	(not critical and ambitious = dangerous) LEAD	(wise and good worker) DELEGATE
	Not interested	(not critical and lazy) DIRECT	(wise and lazy) MOTIVATE
		Not critical. Less capable	Excellent

HOMEWORK: Difficult appraisal - role play - prepare a scenario

- for »difficult« trainee
 - Who is too courageous,
 - Never asks for help or opinion,
 - Does things s/he does not know enough of,
 - Not critical (no self reflection)
 - For everything bad that happens to her/him, somebody else is guilty
 - Because they hate him/ her
 - Because s/he is the best

HOMEWORK: Difficult appraisal - role play - prepare a scenario

- How a **trainer** controls the situation with a **difficult trainee**
 - Goal: as a trainer you should find a way to **direct properly** a very active and ambitious trainee, who is, however, without appropriate knowledge, skills and attitude