

Biology and natural history of Ehlers-Danlos syndromes: types with vascular complications

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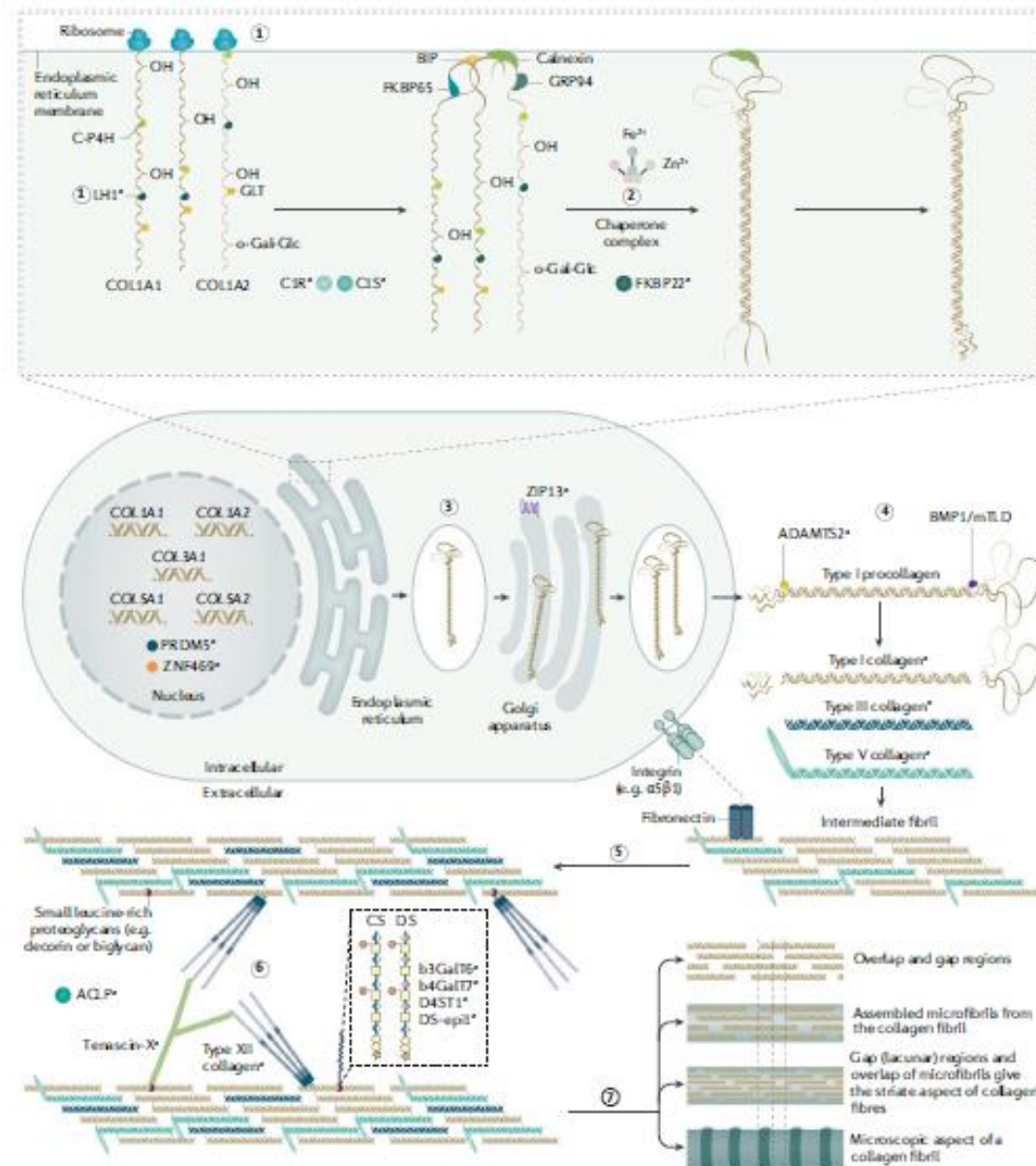
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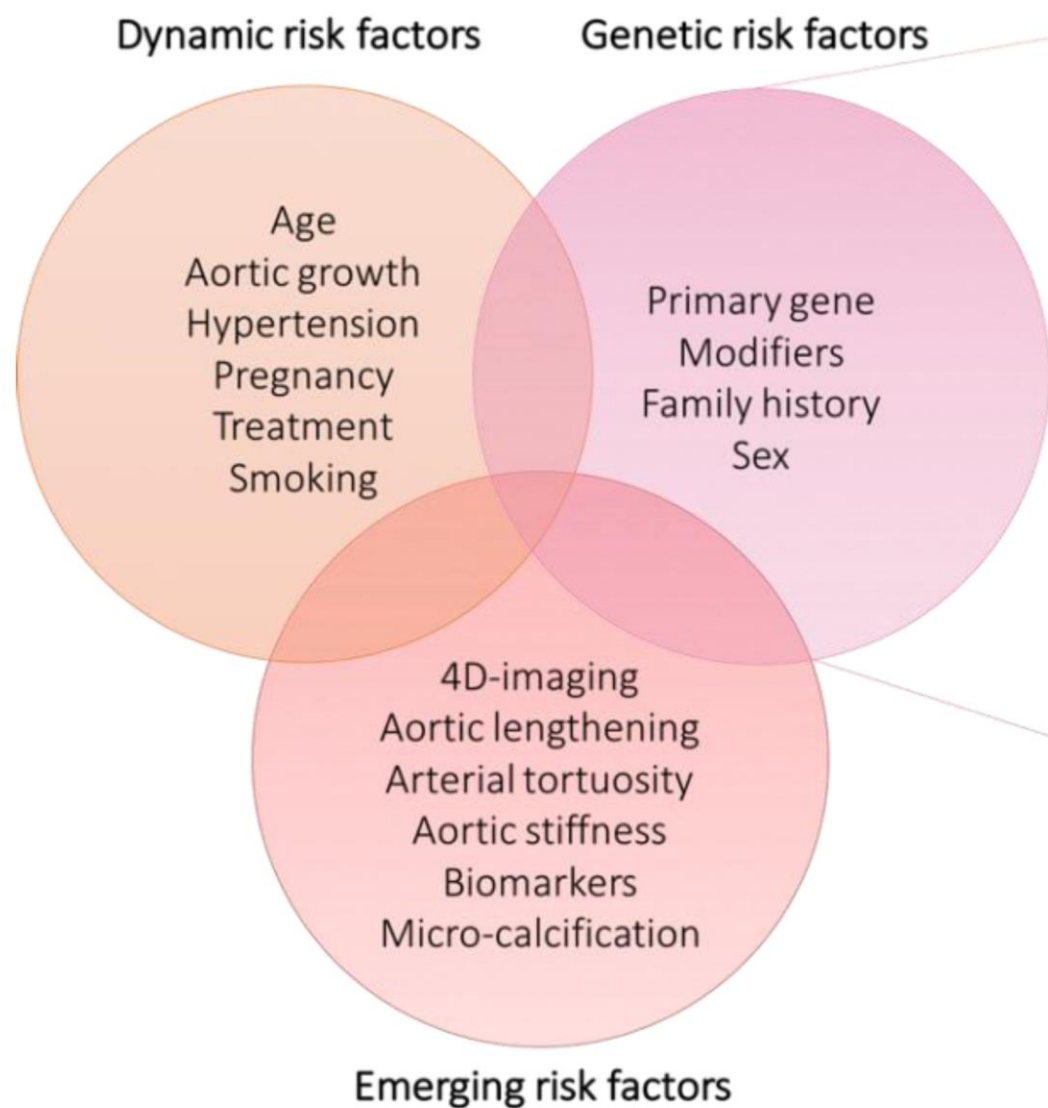
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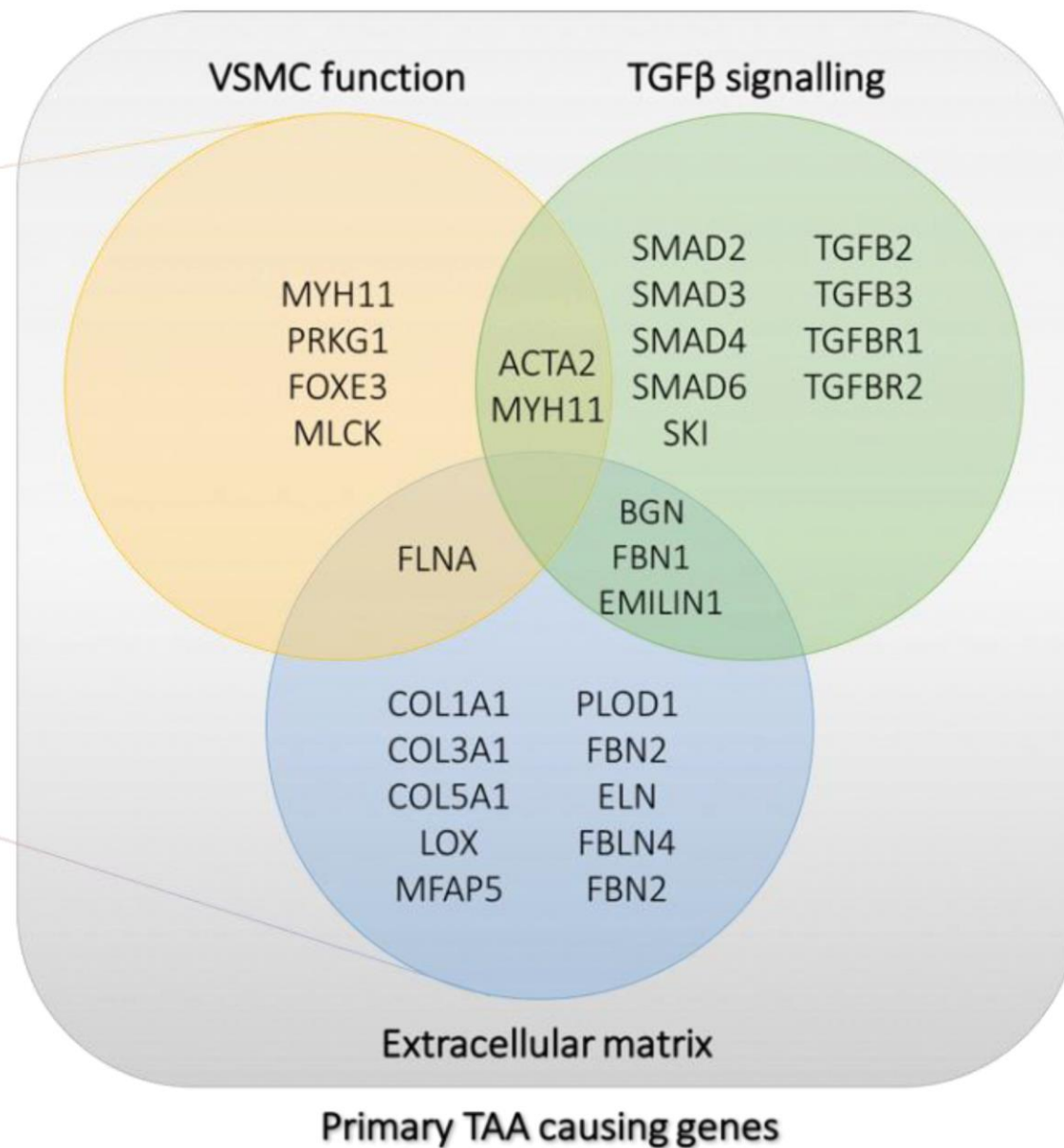


Name of EDS Subtype	IP*	Genetic Basis	Protein Involved
Classical EDS (cEDS)	AD	Major: <i>COL5A1</i> , <i>COL5A2</i>	Type V collagen
		Rare: <i>COL1A1</i> c.934C>T, p.(Arg312Cys)	Type I collagen
Classical-like EDS (clEDS)	AR	<i>TNXB</i>	Tenascin XB
Cardiac-valvular EDS (cvEDS)	AR	<i>COL1A2</i> (biallelic mutations that lead to <i>COL1A2</i> NMD and absence of pro $\alpha 2(I)$ collagen chains)	Type I collagen
Vascular EDS (vEDS)	AD	Major: <i>COL3A1</i>	Type III collagen
		Rare: <i>COL1A1</i> c.934C>T, p.(Arg312Cys) c.1720C>T, p.(Arg574Cys) c.3277C>T, p.(Arg1093Cys)	Type I collagen
Hypermobile EDS (hEDS)	AD	Unknown	Unknown
Arthrochalasia EDS (aEDS)	AD	<i>COL1A1</i> , <i>COL1A2</i>	Type I collagen
Dermatosparaxis EDS (dEDS)	AR	<i>ADAMTS2</i>	ADAMTS-2
Kyphoscoliotic EDS (kEDS)	AR	<i>PLOD1</i>	LH1
		<i>FKBP14</i>	FKBP22
Brittle cornea syndrome (BCS)	AR	<i>ZNF469</i>	ZNF469
		<i>PRDM5</i>	PRDM5
Spondylodysplastic EDS (spEDS)	AR	<i>B4GALT7</i>	$\beta 4$ GalT7
		<i>B3GALT6</i>	$\beta 3$ GalT6
		<i>SLC39A13</i>	ZIP13
Musculocontractural EDS (mcEDS)	AR	<i>CHST14</i>	D4ST1
		<i>DSE</i>	DSE
Myopathic EDS (mEDS)	AD or AR	<i>COL12A1</i>	Type XII collagen
Periodontal EDS (pEDS)	AD	<i>C1R</i>	C1r

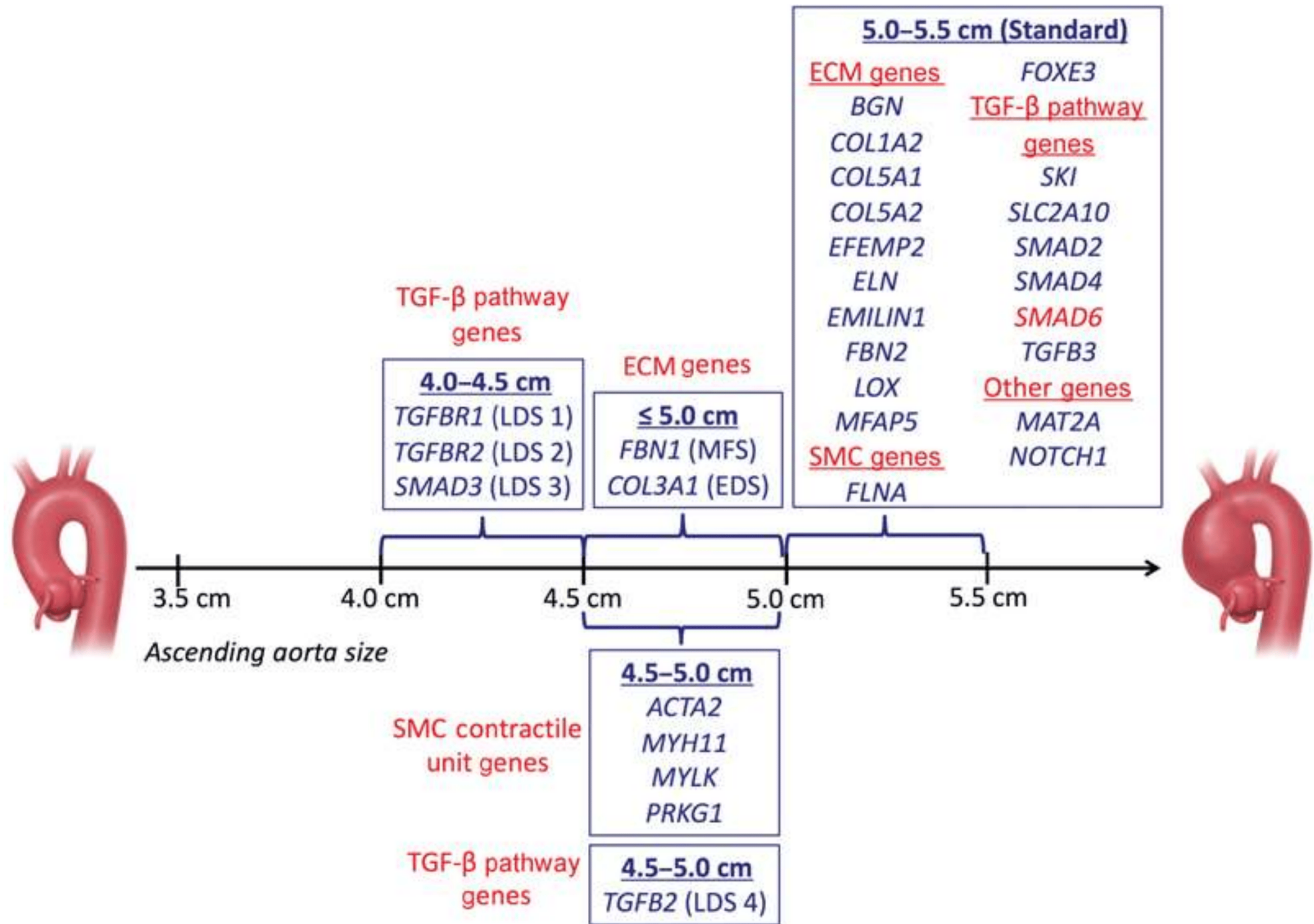




(A)



(B)



Three types of EDS have vascular events

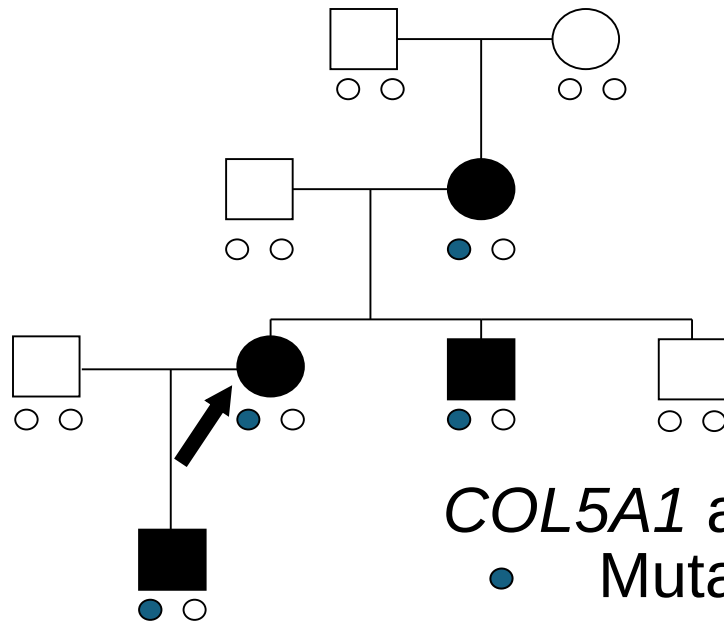
Classical EDS—*COL5A1*, *COL5A2*

Kyphoscoliotic EDS—*PLOD1* and *FKBP14*

Vascular EDS—*COL3A1*



EDS type I



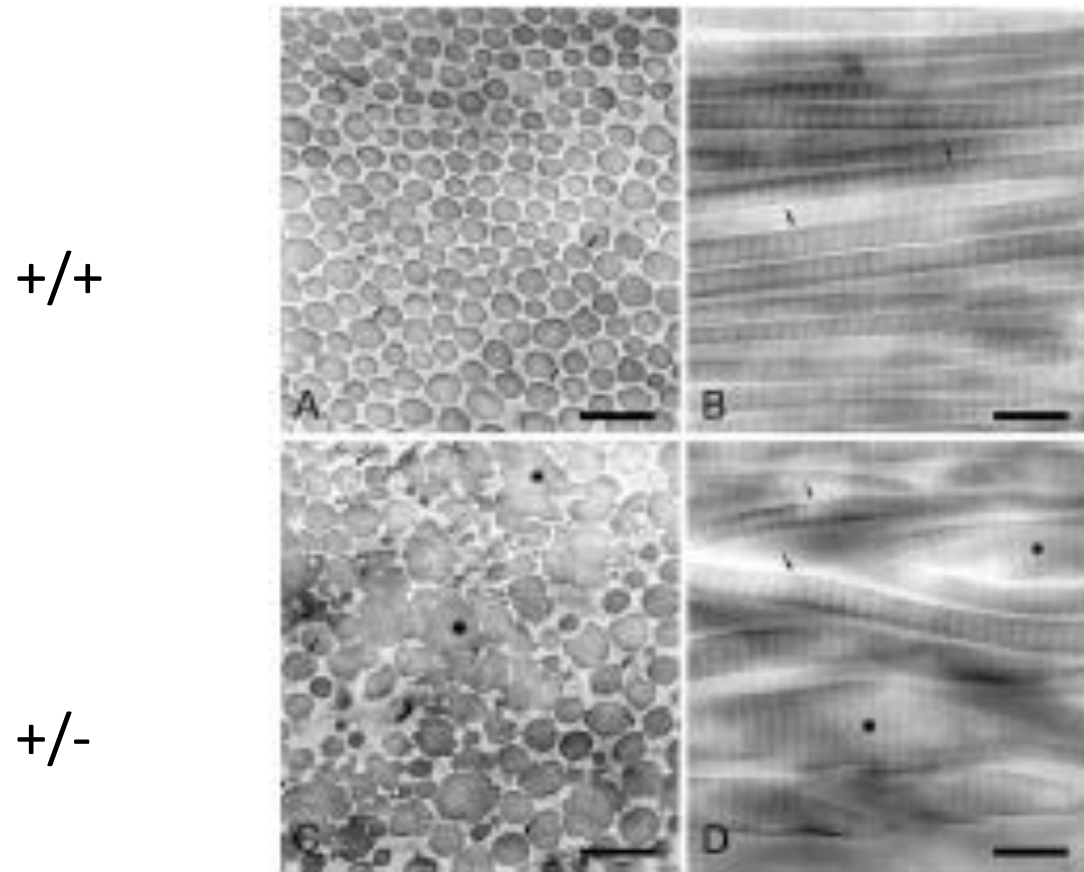
Frequency—uncommon
perhaps 1/25-50,000

COL5A1 alleles

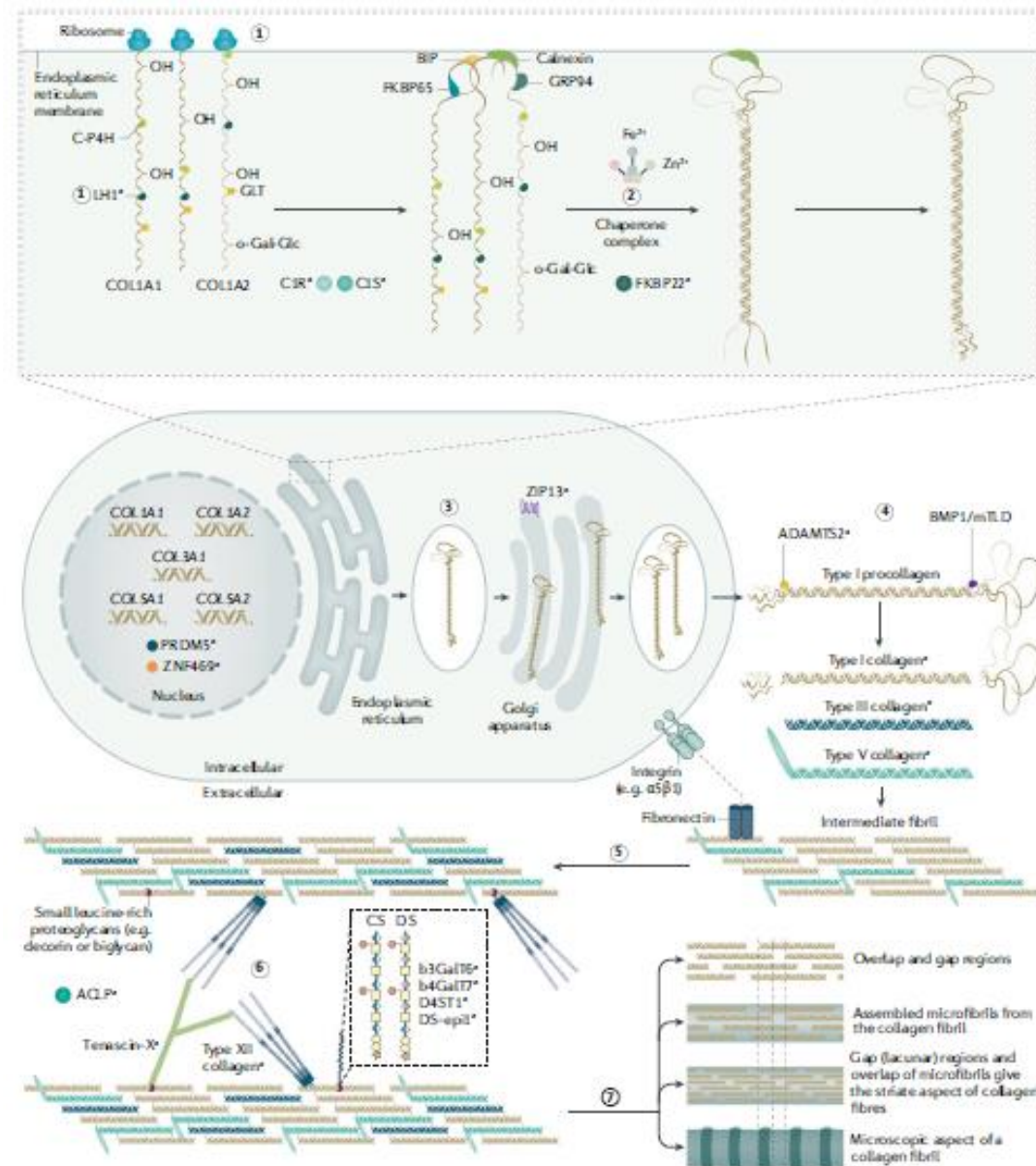
- Mutation

- No mutation

Mice with a nonsense mutation in one COL5A1 allele.



Wenstrup et al. J Biol Chem 279:63331-63384, 2005

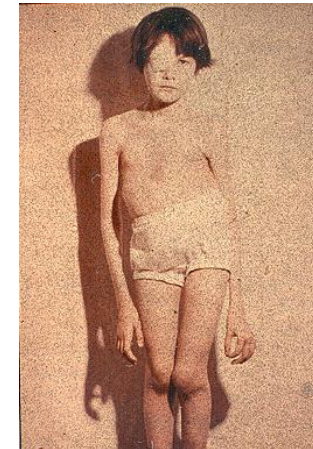


Diagnostic confirmation of EDS type I

Heterozygosity for mutation in the type
V collagen genes: *COL5A1* and *COL5A2*

Kyphoscoliotic EDS (EDS type VI)

- Ocular scoliotic or kyphoscoliotic type
- EDS type VI
 - Marked joint laxity
 - Intractable scoliosis
 - Soft, velvety skin
 - Ocular globe fragility
 - Keratoconus
 - Autosomal recessive inheritance due to biallelic pathogenic variants in *PLOD1* (lysyl hydroxylase)



Major long term issue

Arterial dissection

Hearing loss for *FKBP14*-related

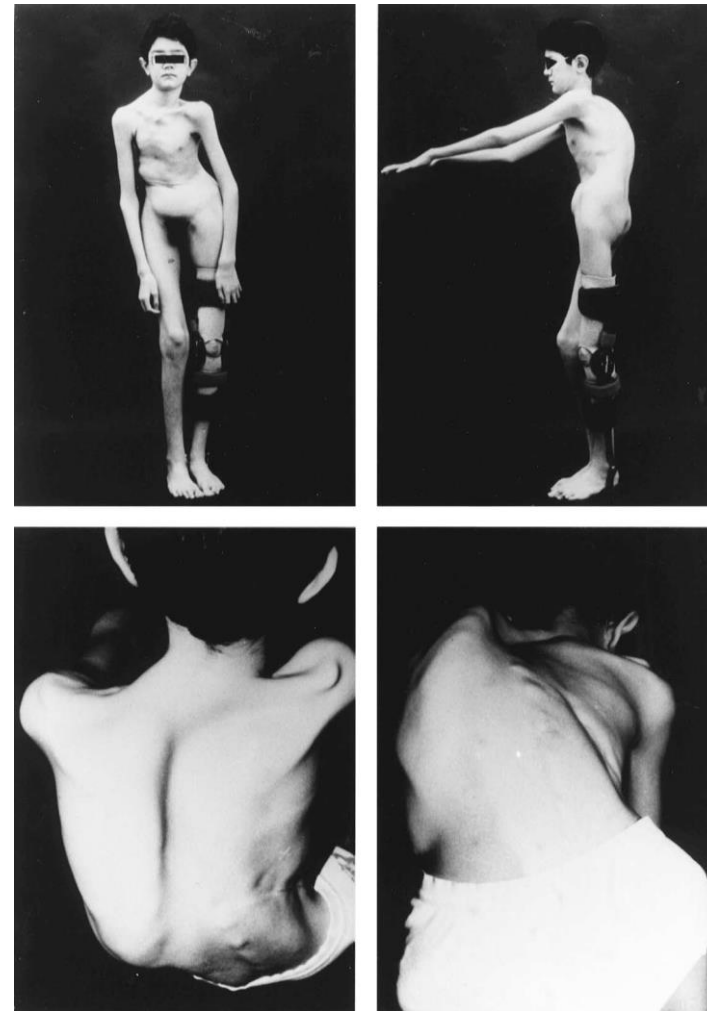
Surveillance and Treatment

Uncertain

Some mutations in *PLOD1* may respond to vitamin C



Brunk et al
 Eur J Pediatr 163:214-217, 2004



Heim et al. Acta Paediatr 87:708-710, 1998

FKBP14 related EDS



FIG. 1. Photographs of the patient throughout life: (a) non-dysmorphic facies at birth; (b) some facial elongation and hypotonia notable at 6 months; (c) hypotonia and kyphoscoliosis evident at 1 year; (d) non-dysmorphic appearance at 2 years; (e) neck appears short due to kyphoscoliosis, long fingers at 6 years; (f) deformation of chest due to kyphoscoliosis, low muscle mass, long fingers at 10 years; (g) low muscle mass and short stature at 15 years; (h) long thin face, prominent brows, and low muscle mass at 19 years; (i) facial features less gaunt at 30 years; (j) profile showing kyphoscoliosis, pectus carinatum, and short stature at 35 years; (k) and (l) similar facial and physical features at 42 years.

FKBP14 related EDS

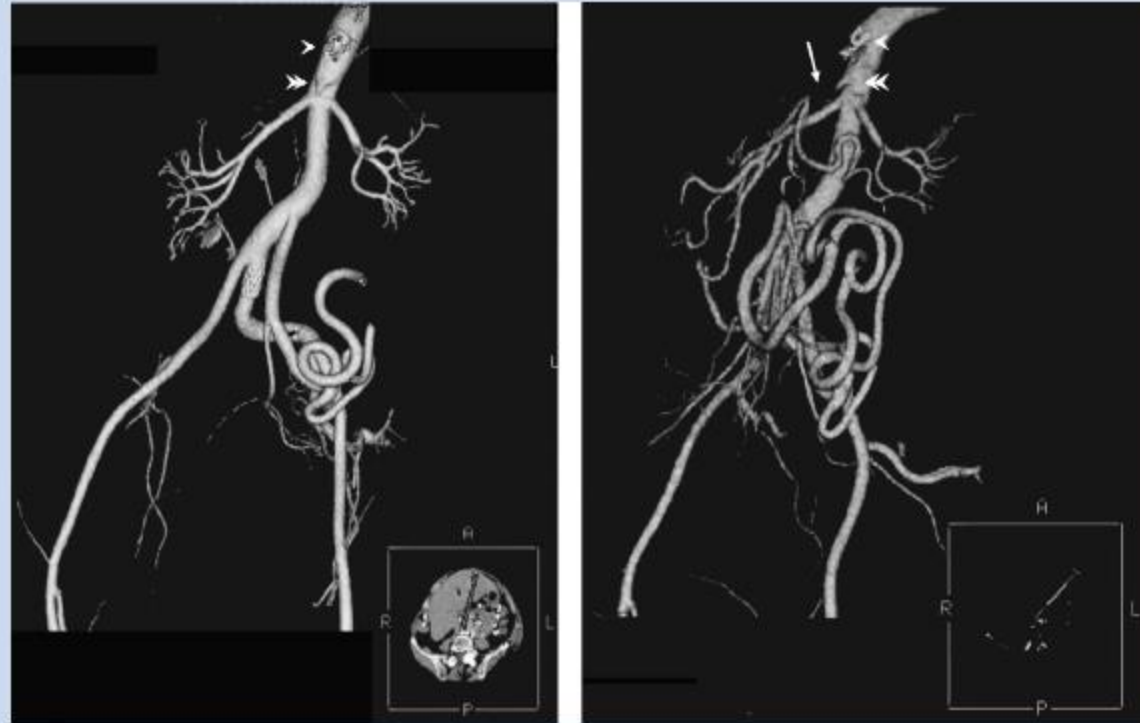
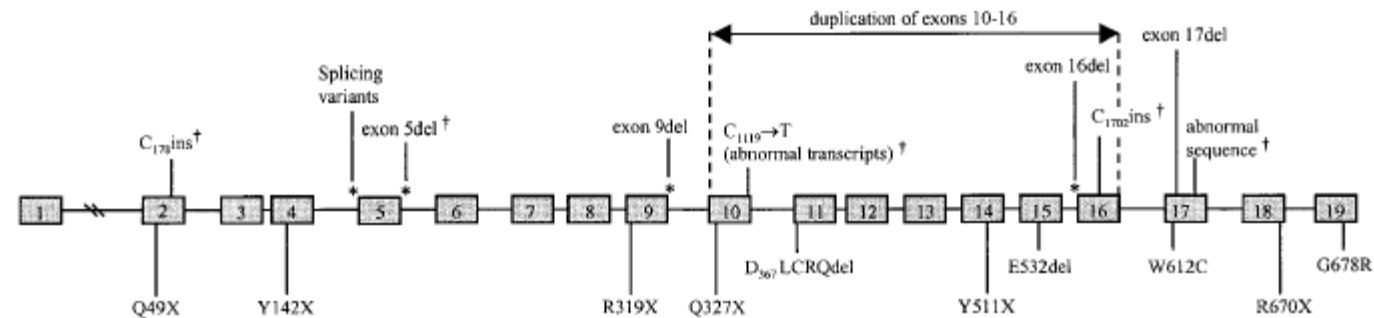


FIG. 2. CTA 3D reconstructions of abdominal vasculature. A: Tortuosity and enlargement of IMA with occlusion of celiac artery with stent (single arrowhead) and occlusion of the SMA (double arrowhead). Also note stent in left iliac artery. B: Repeat imaging 9 months later demonstrating complete occlusion of SMA (double arrowhead) with retrograde filling distal to occlusion (arrow). Occlusion of celiac artery with stent (single arrowhead) persists. IMA is markedly enlarged and tortuous.

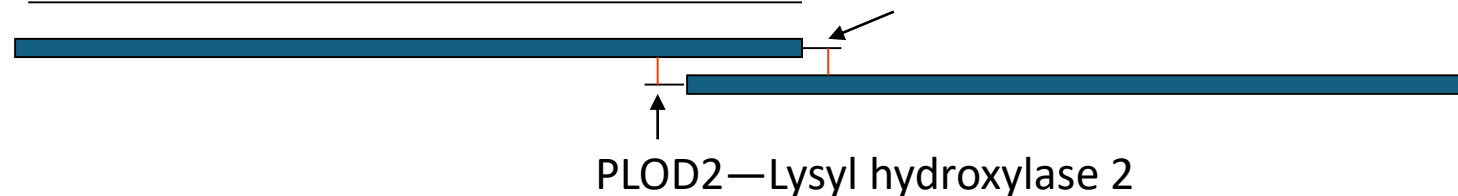
EDS type VI

Autosomal recessive, mutations in *PLOD1* which encodes lysyl hydroxylase, vitamin C is a co-factor

Rare, frequency unknown, about 40-50 reported



PLOD1—Lysyl hydroxylase 1



Vascular Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS type IV) Clinical Features

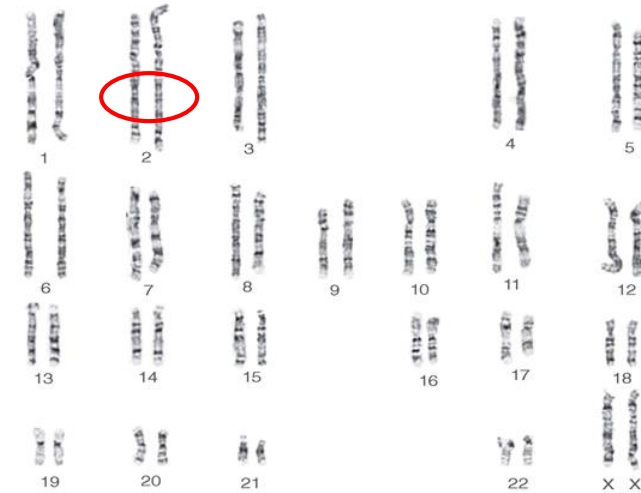
- “Characteristic” facies
 - Thin nose
 - Thin lips
 - Attached lobes
 - Sometimes tight skin over the face
- Visible venous pattern; bruising
- Small joint hypermobility
- Normal scar formation





Vascular EDS results from heterozygous pathogenic alterations in *COL3A1*, a gene located on chromosome 2.

COL3A1 encodes the chains of type III collagen, a major component of arterial and bowel walls.



Then

1930s

Sack—Status Dysvascularis

1960s

Barabas—Distinct “type of EDS”
With bruising and bleeding and
Vascular fragility

1970s

Beighton--Classification of EDS
EDS type IV

Pope, Martin, McKusick
Type III collagen abnormalities

1980s

Mutations in *COL3A1*

“Vascular Ehlers Danlos Syndrome

1971

Miller—discovery of type III
collagen

EM abnormalities in cells
and collagens
Protein based diagnosis

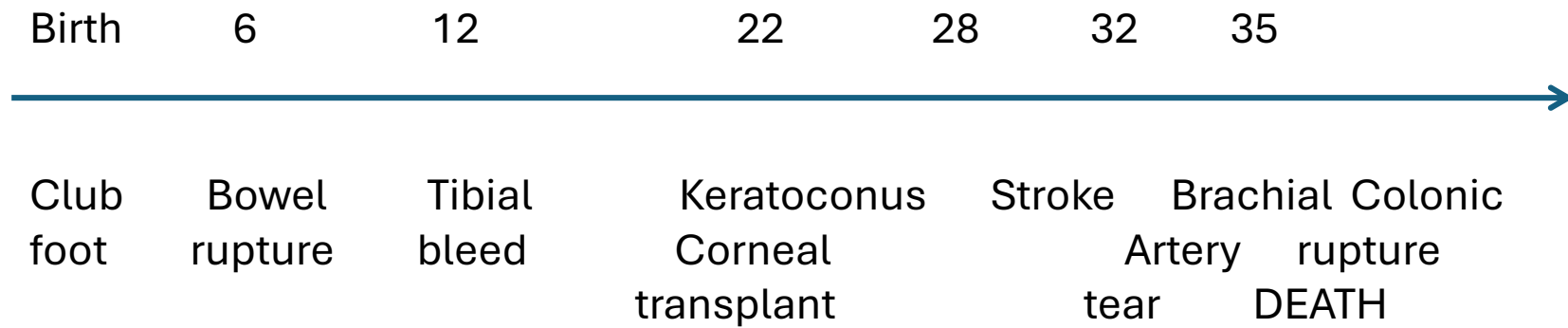
1990s Gene based diagnosis

2017 Formalized vEDS or VEDS

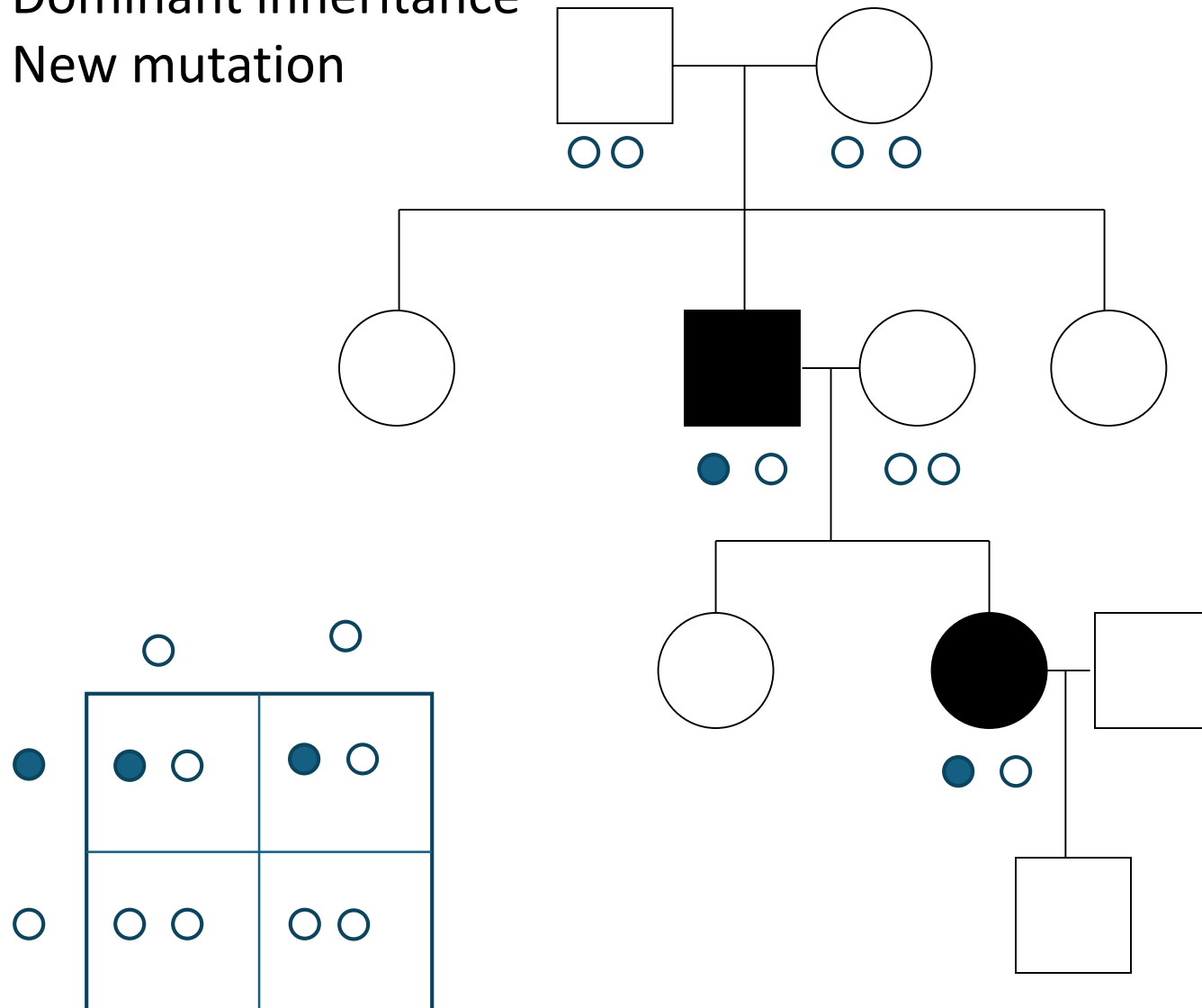
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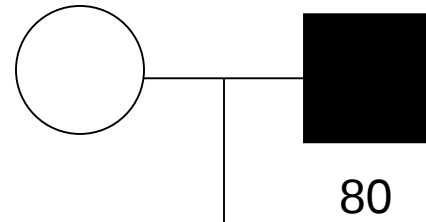
Darren



Dominant inheritance
New mutation



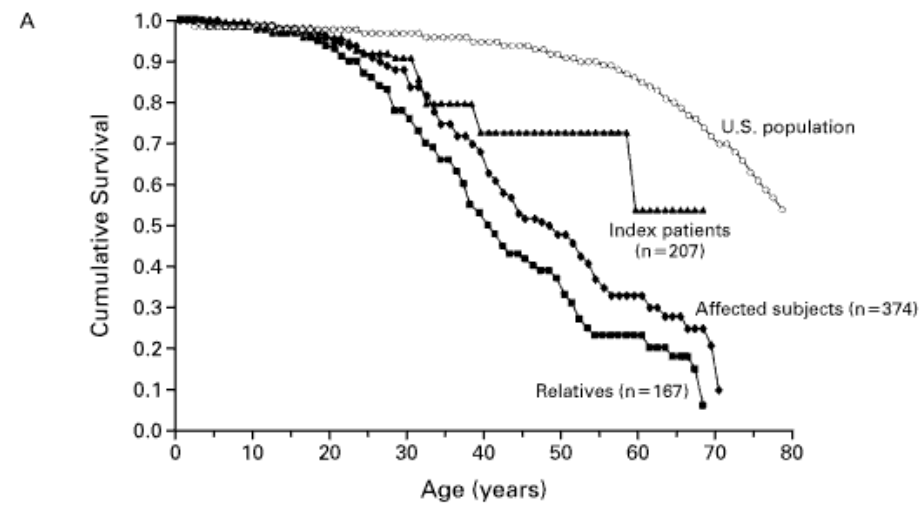
Kelly



Bilateral knee replacements at 70
MI at 72
Well

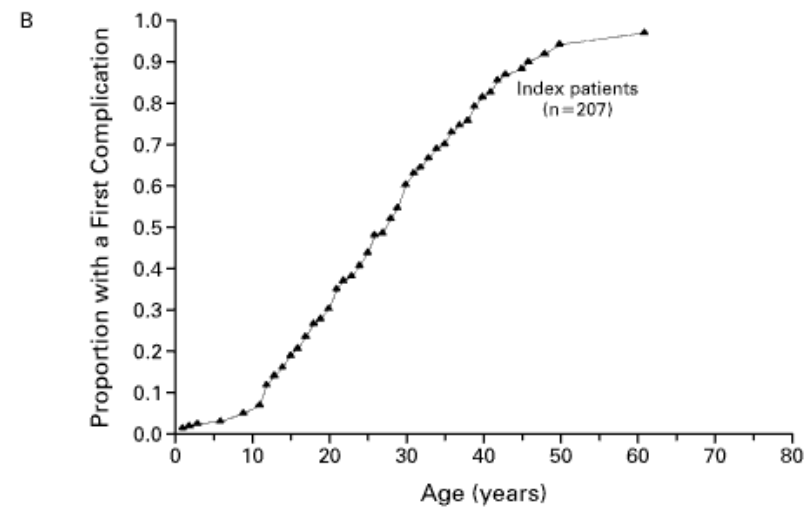
Tore calf muscle descending Mt. Rainier at 40

Incidental finding of
diminished vertebral artery
at 18
Normal pregnancy and delivery
at 29



No. AT RISK

Index patients	207	188	130	76	25	10	4	1
Relatives	167	158	138	103	56	23	10	5



No. AT RISK

207	181	118	65	17	3	1	0
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From Pepin et al, NEJM March 8, 2000

Major complications

Spontaneous pneumothorax

Bowel rupture—usually sigmoid colon

Arterial dissection/rupture

Carotid-cavernous sinus fistula

Pregnancy—rare uterine rupture

Pulmonary nodules with hemoptosis

History

Family history

Talipes equinovarus (club foot)

Congenital hip dislocation

Hypermobility of small (and large) joints

Bruising

Spontaneous pneumothorax

Tendon and muscle rupture

Gingival recession and gingival fragility

Early-onset varicose veins (under age 30 and nulliparous if female)

Bowel rupture (sigmoid colon)

Aneurysms, dissections, or ruptures

Characteristic facial appearance

“Do you sleep with your eyes open?”



Clinical Examination

Shake hands

Does the skin seem thin, old

Are the joints lax/soft

Can you see vessels

Are the fingers tapered

Is there wrinkling on the palms and fingers



Look at the face

Is the hair fine and thin

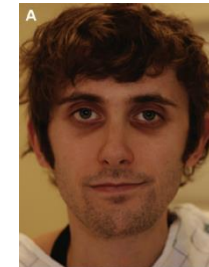
Thin nose

Thin lips

Visible veins on forehead

Gingival recession/fragility

Eyes recessed or prominent, pigmentation of skin



Clinical Examination

Examine the skin

- Does the skin seem thin, old

- Easily visible veins

- Bruises

- Is the skin extensible or soft

- Are scars normal or abnormal

- Is there heme pigment from old bruises



Joints

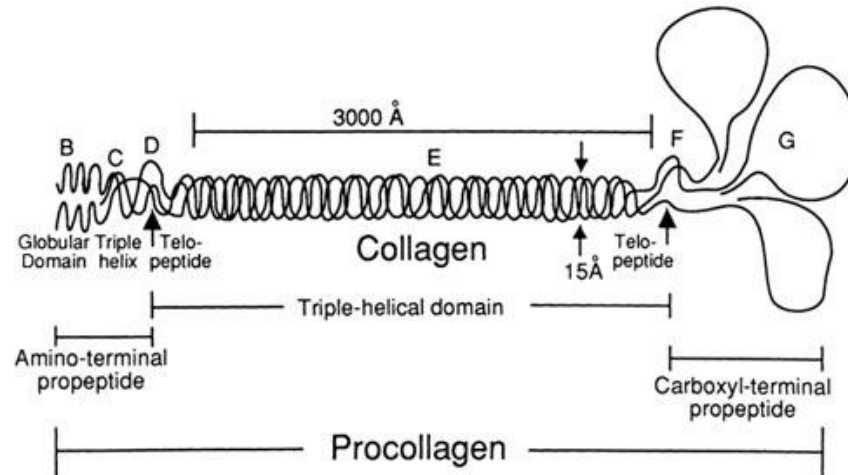
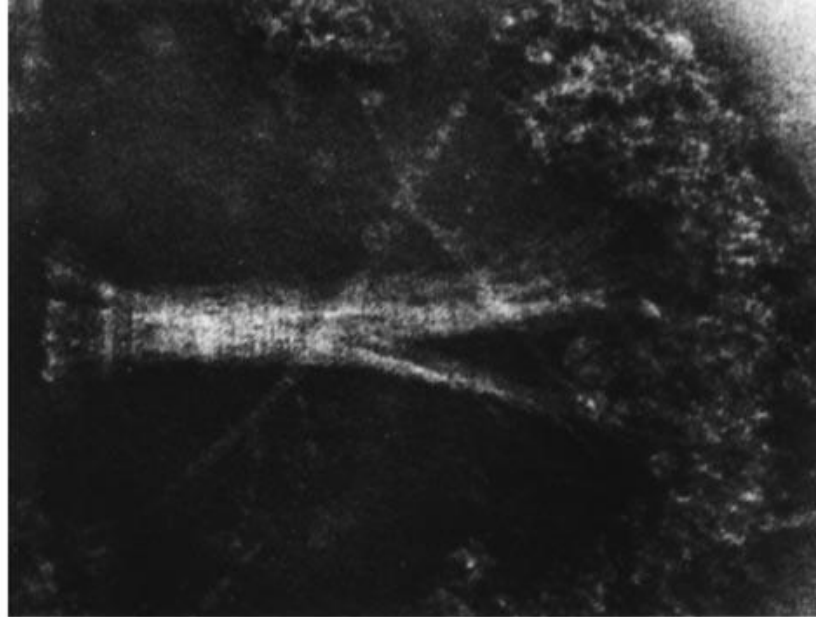
- Is joint mobility normal

- Small joints (hands) vs. large joints

Abdomen/Chest

- Listen for murmurs, bruits

Approaching the 45th Anniversary of the Discovery of Type III Collagen



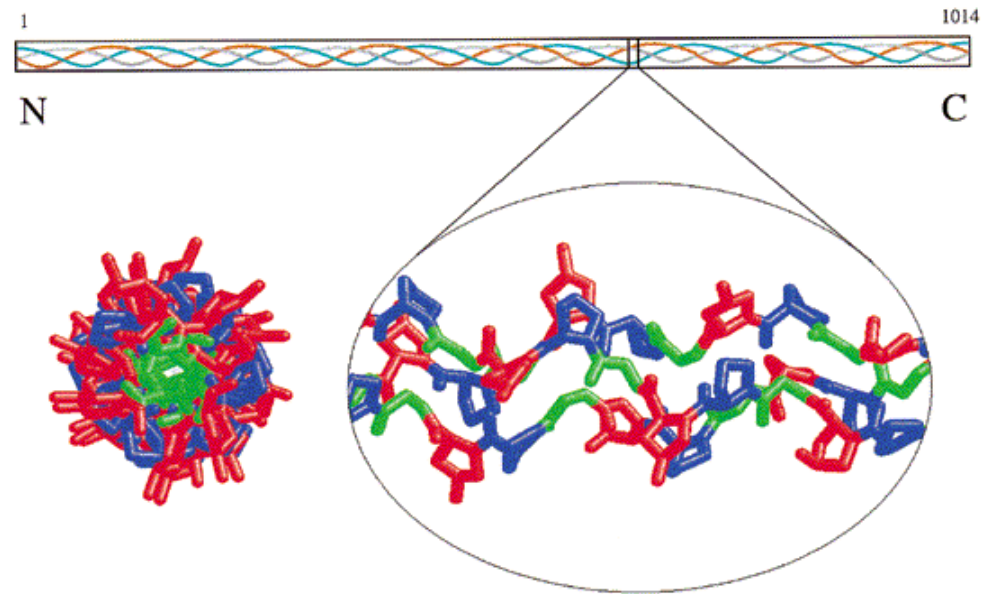
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propeptide

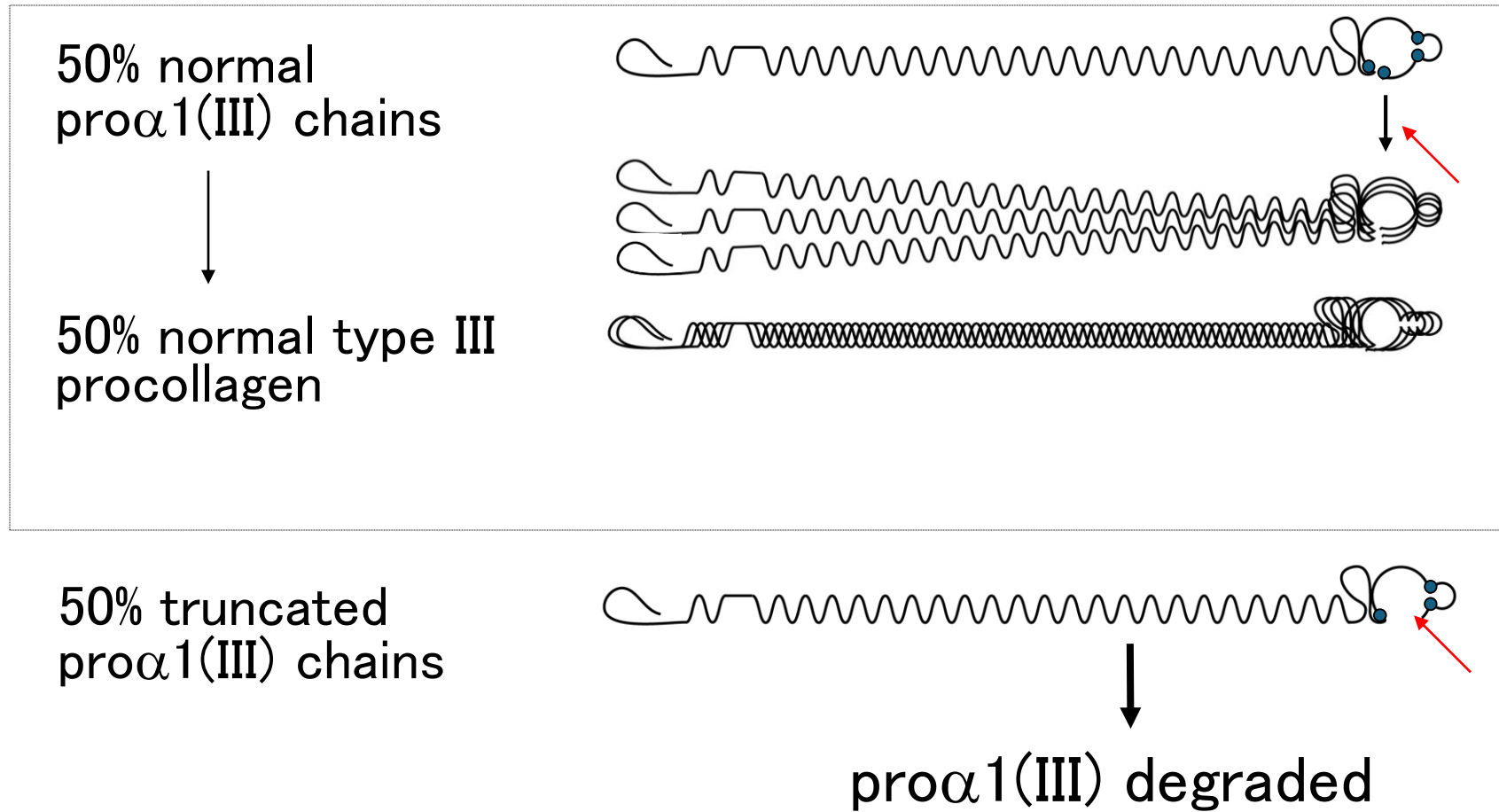
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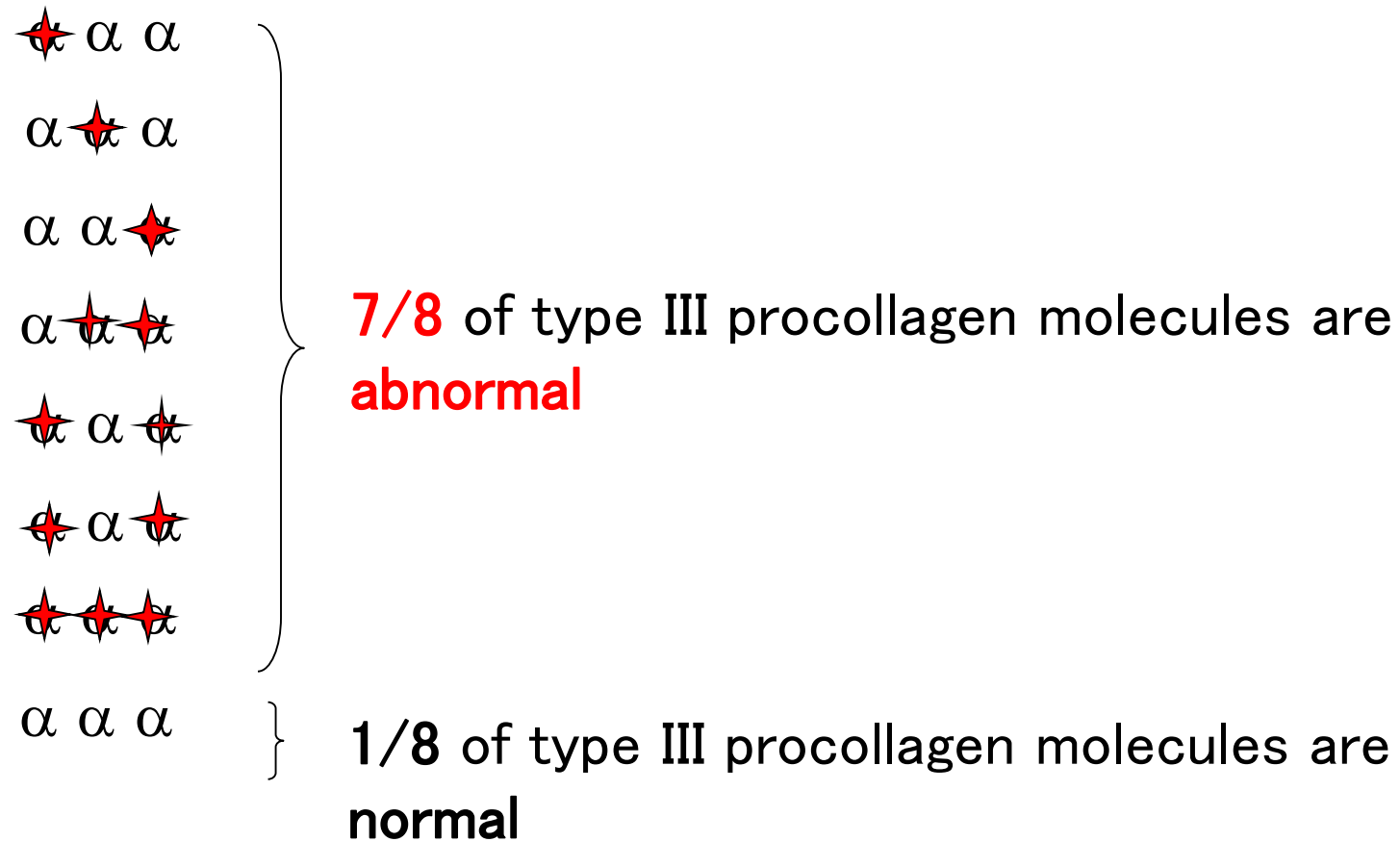


Buevich et al, Biochemistry 39:4299-4308, 2000

Half-normal amounts of type III procollagen molecules despite mutant mRNA stability



Dominant negative effect of structurally abnormal pro α 1(III) chains



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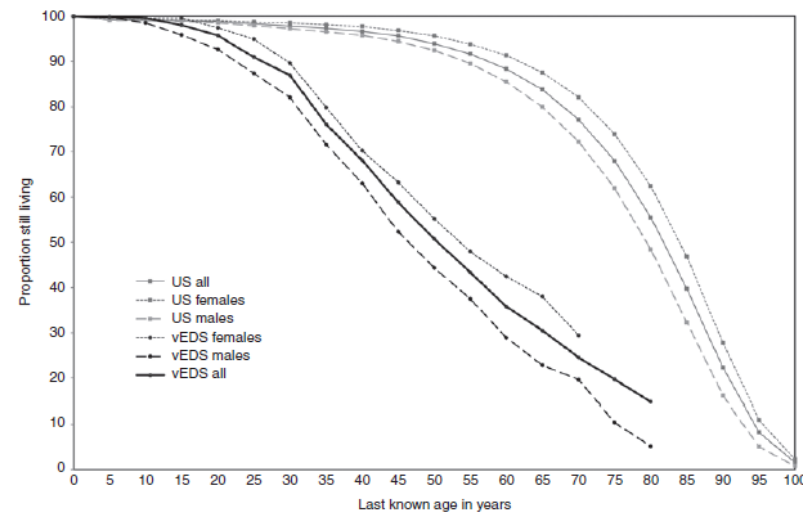


Figure 1 Kaplan–Meier survival curve comparing vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome (vEDS) study population to 2008 US population.

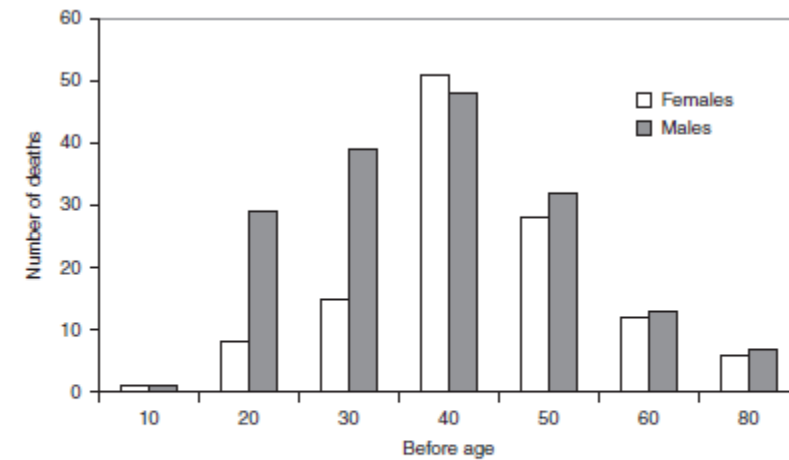
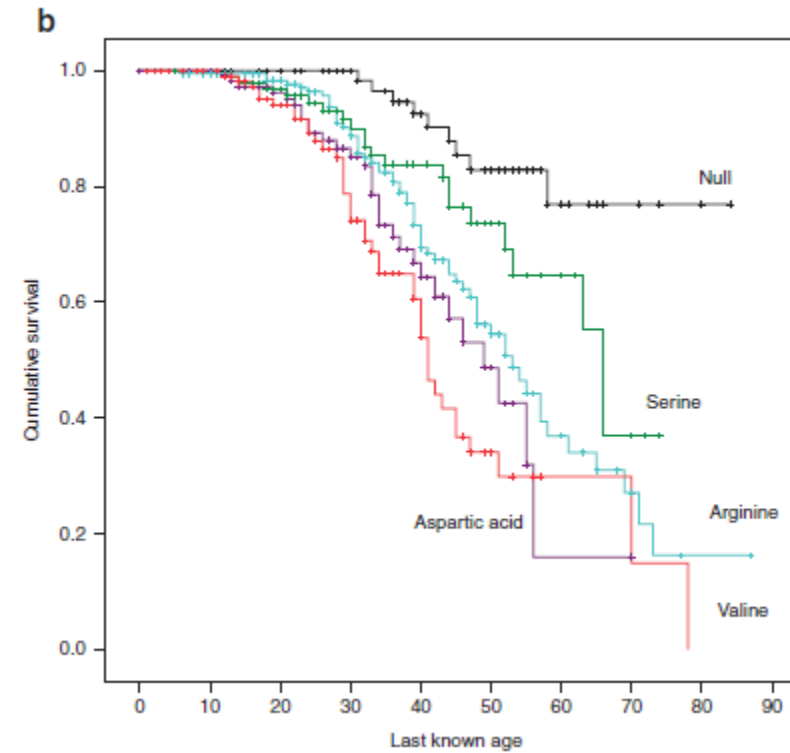
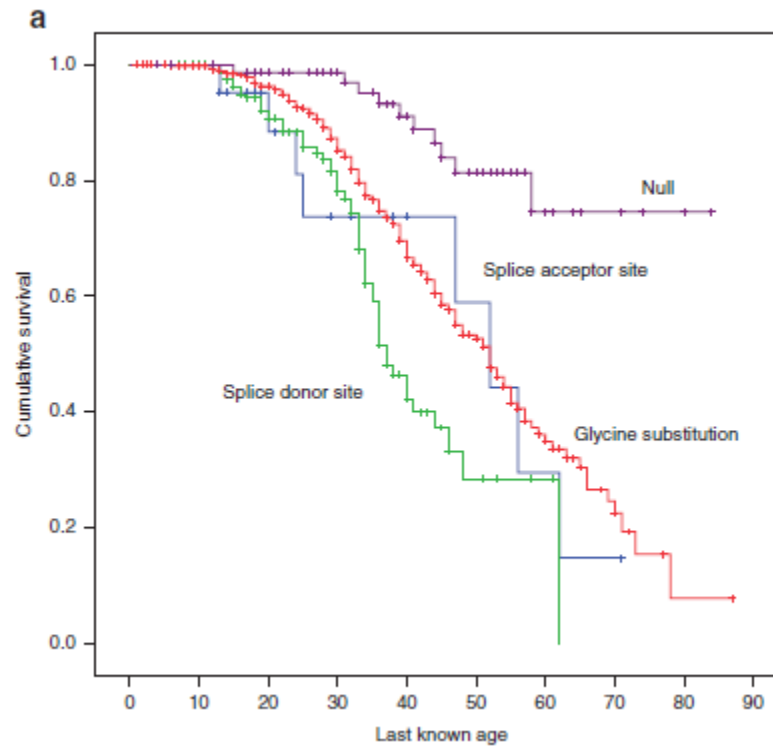


Figure 2 Number of deaths by decade in males and females of vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome study population.

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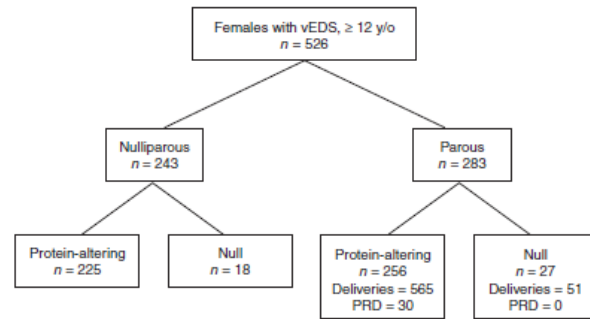


Figure 1 Ascertainment of females with vEDS from a pedigree review, divided by parity and mutation type. PRD, pregnancy-related death; vEDS, vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome.

Pregnancy-related deaths and complications in women with vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome

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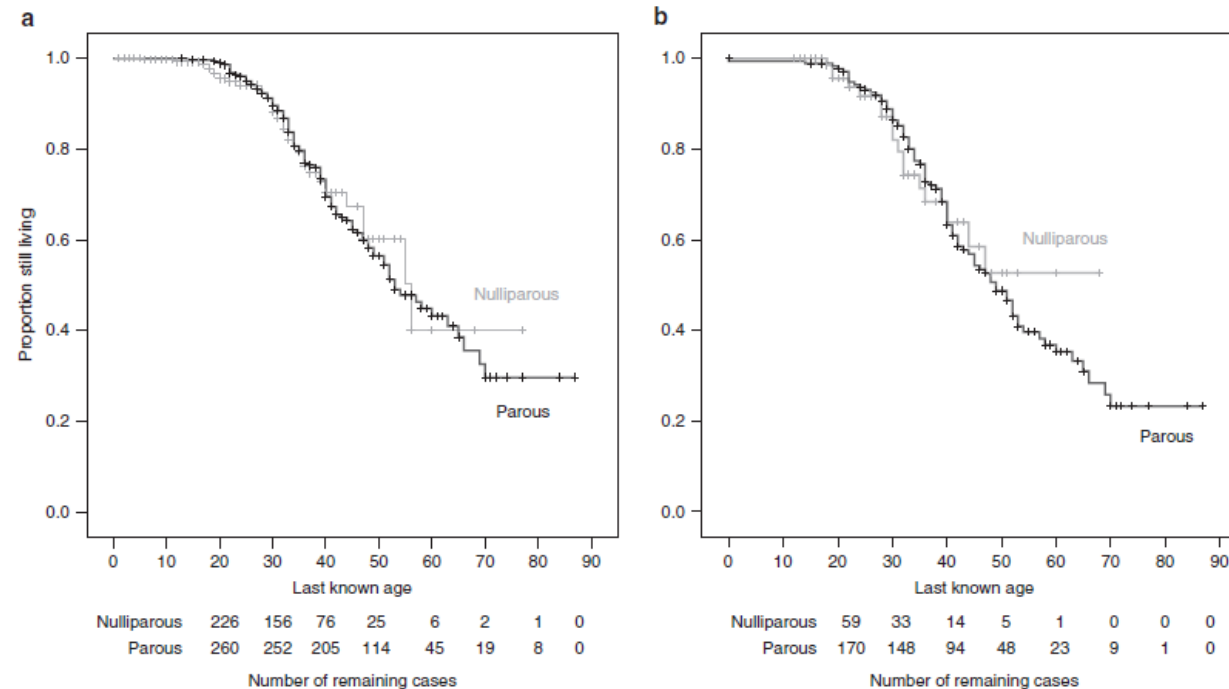
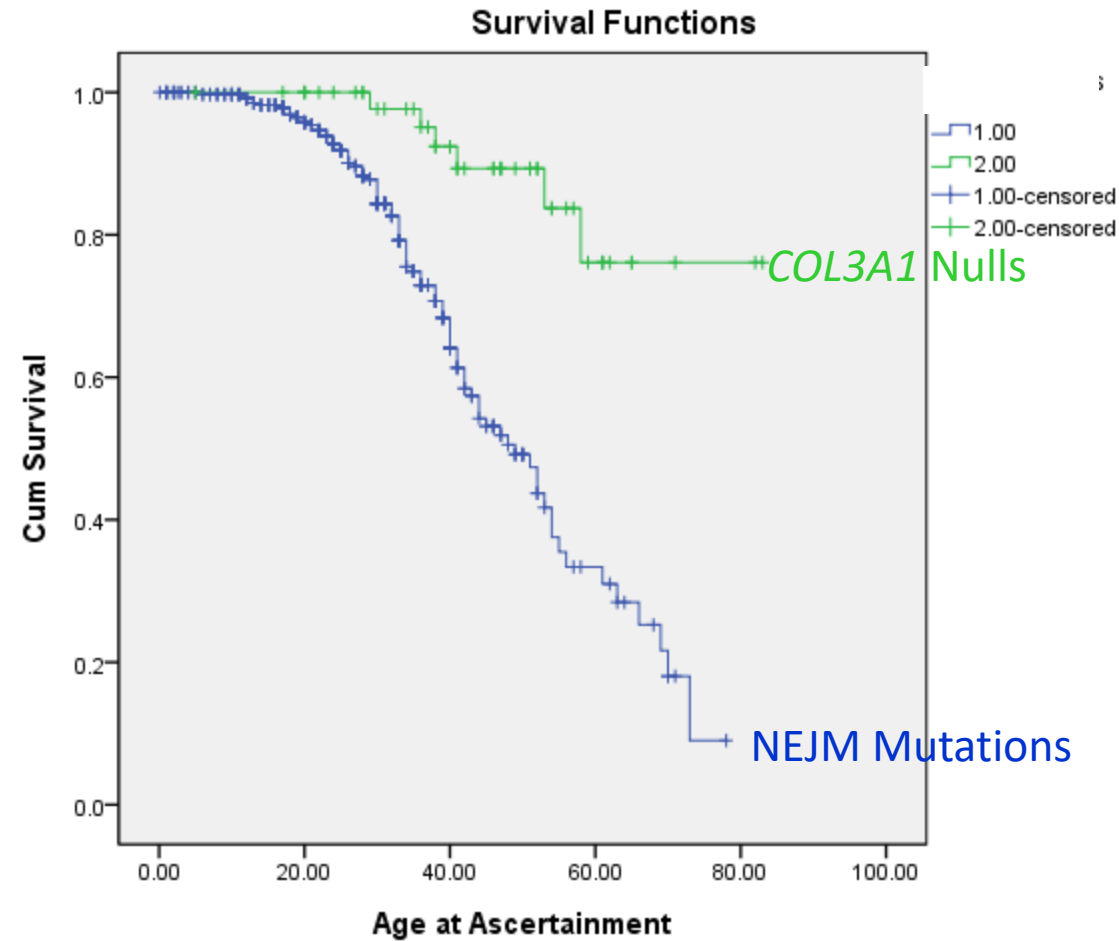


Figure 2 Kaplan–Meier estimates. (a) Overall survival of 526 parous ($n = 283$) and nulliparous ($n = 243$) women of reproductive age with vEDS; (b) overall survival in parous ($n = 179$) and nulliparous ($n = 86$) affected female relatives of probands with vEDS. vEDS, vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome.

Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve

Index Patients and Relatives



Treatment



Medical

- Surveillance

- Blood pressure control

- Anticoagulation after dissection to maintain flow

Surgical

- Endovascular stent

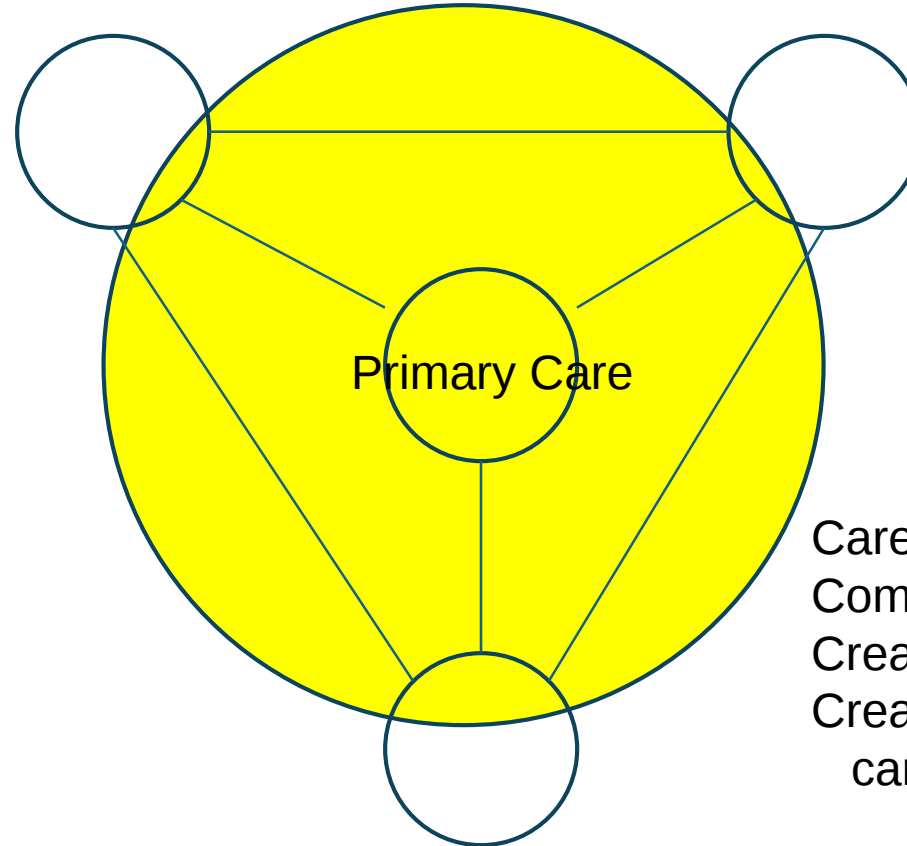
- Invasive surgery if necessary

- Planned hypotension and judicious volume depletion
after surgical intervention

Identify and create care team

Specialist 1

Vascular surgeon 2

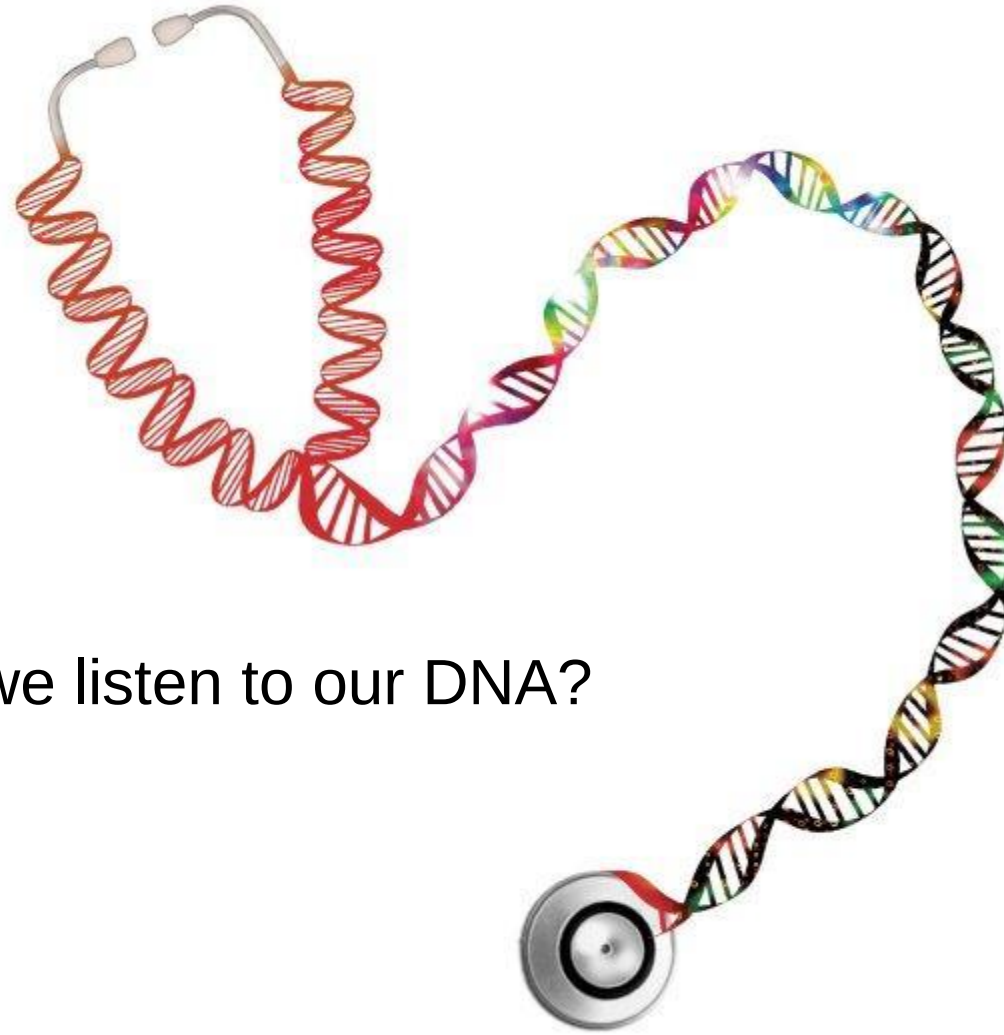


Primary Care

Care is local
Communication is vital
Create plan for ordinary care
Create plan for extraordinary care

Geneticist

Help comes from around the world



How can we listen to our DNA?

Thank you

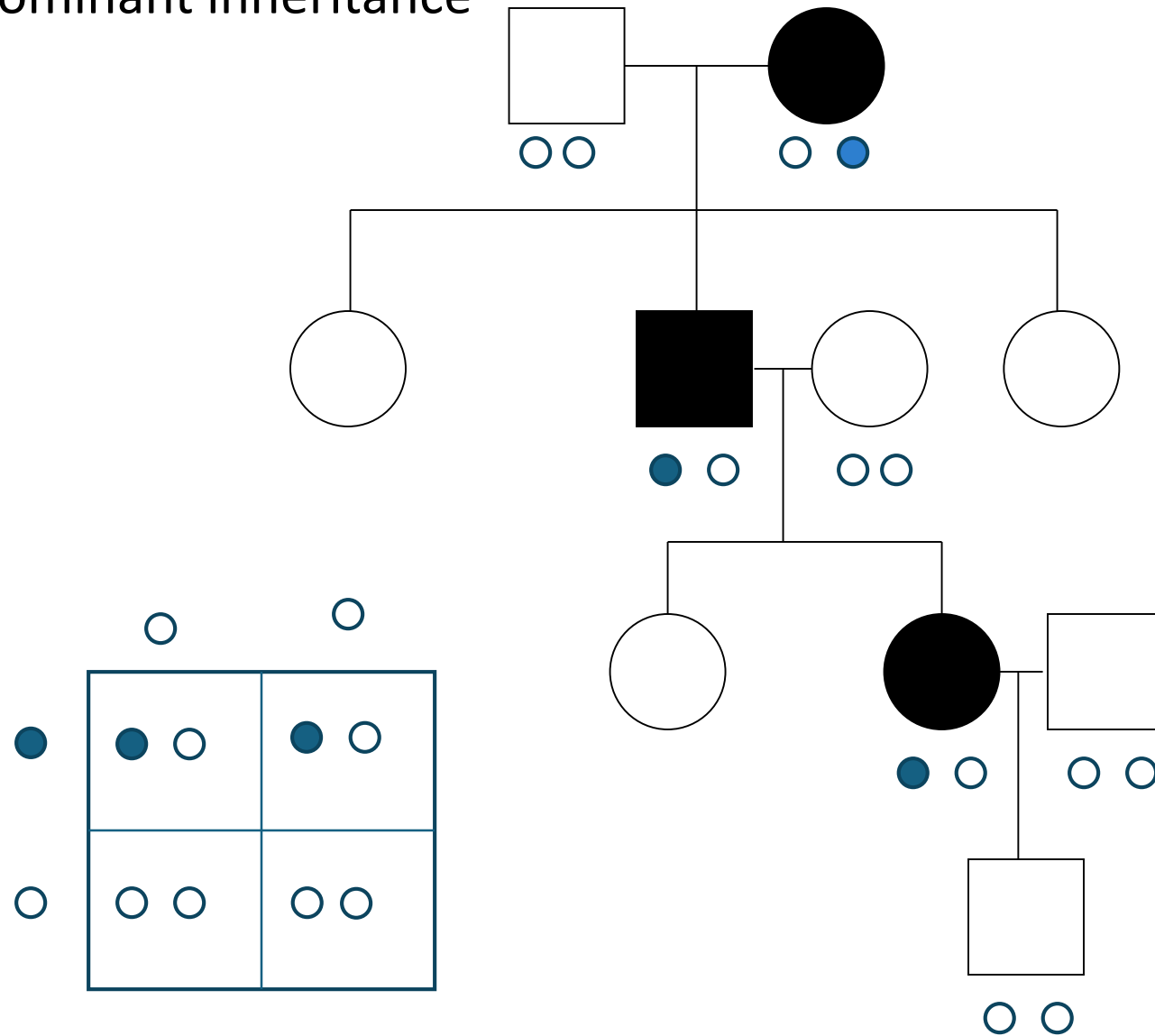
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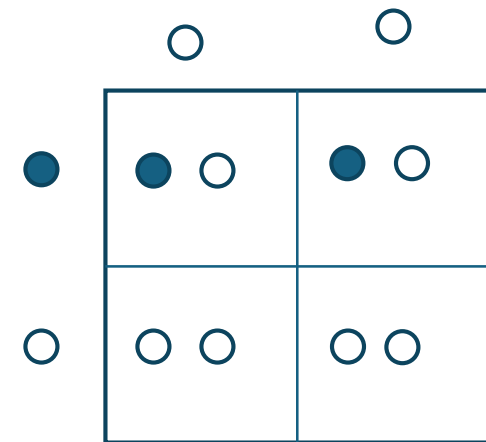
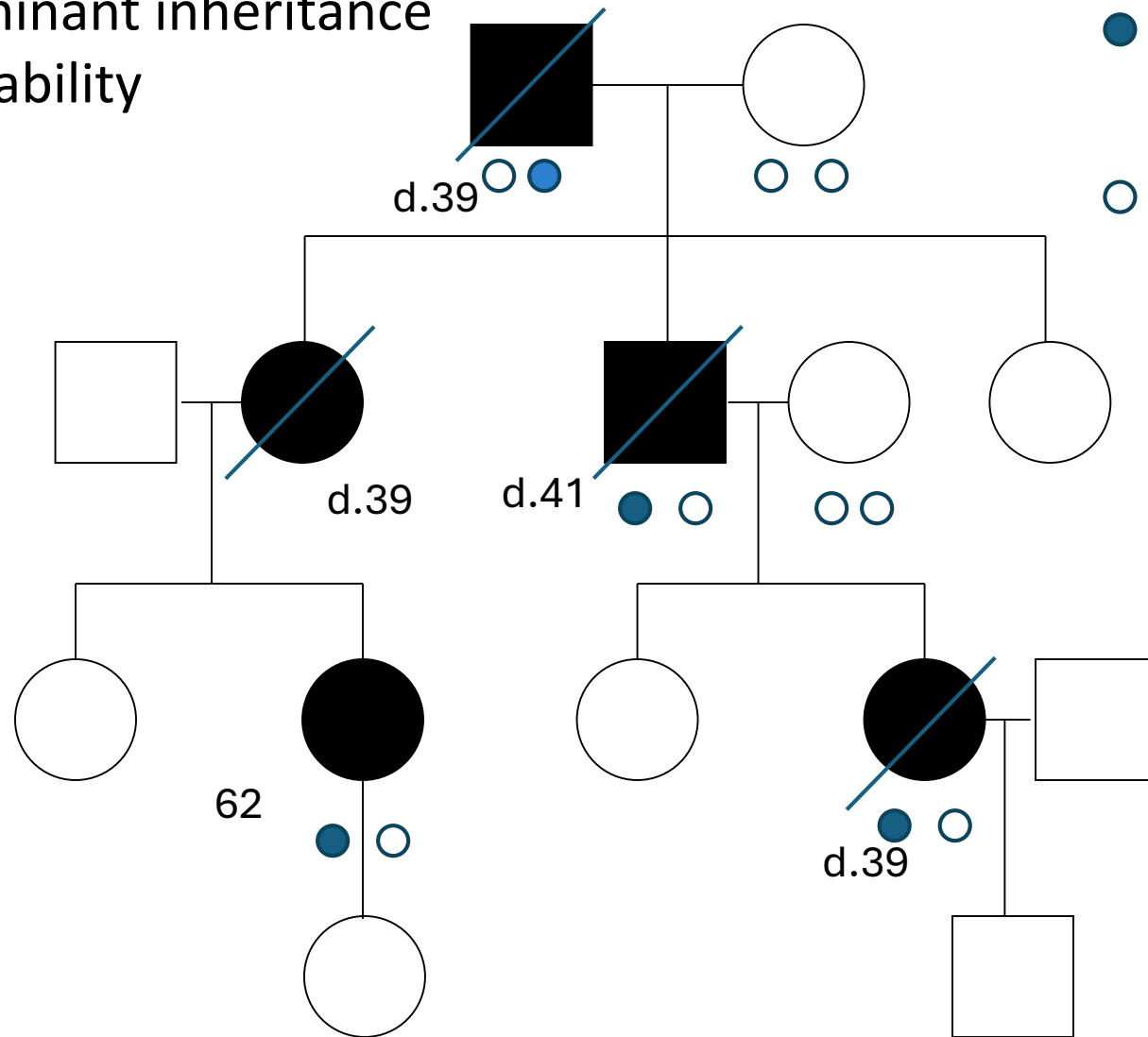
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Dominant inheritance



Dominant inheritance Variability



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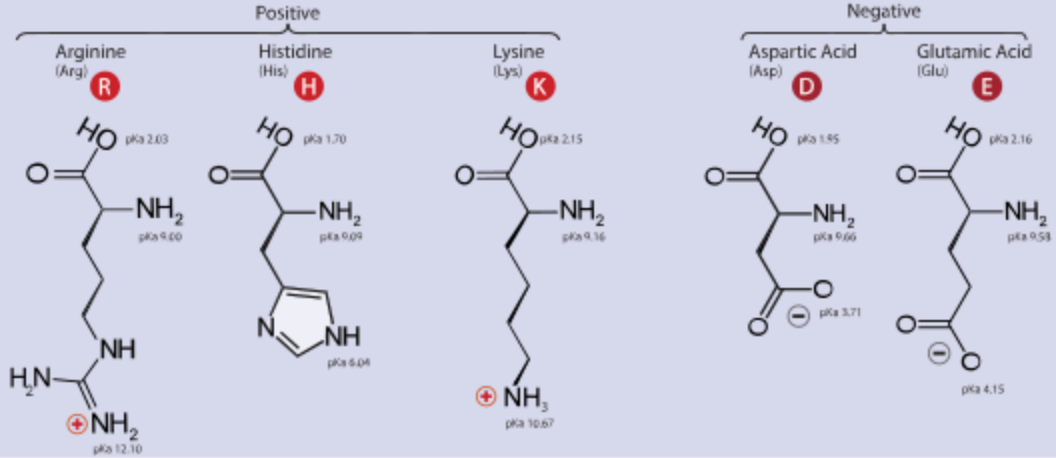
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substitutions

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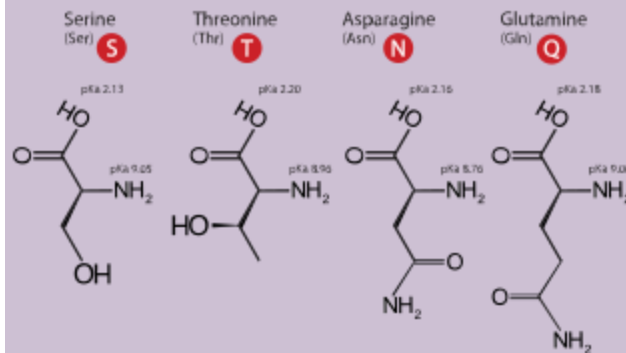
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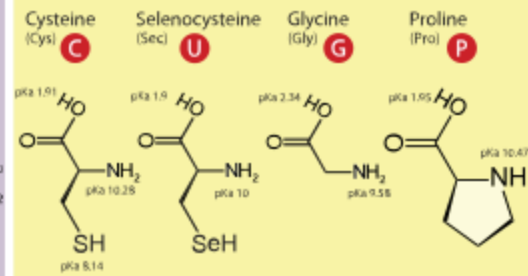
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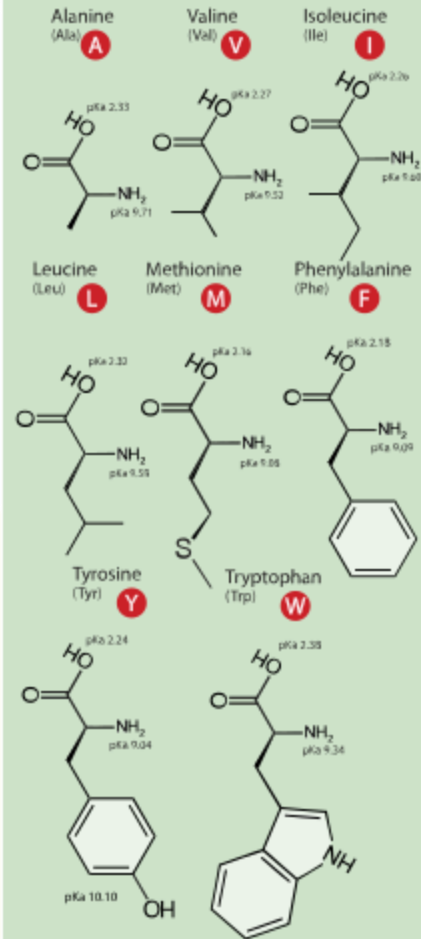
B. Amino Acids with Polar Uncharged Side Chains



C. Special Cases



D. Amino Acids with Hydrophobic Side Chain



Pregnancy

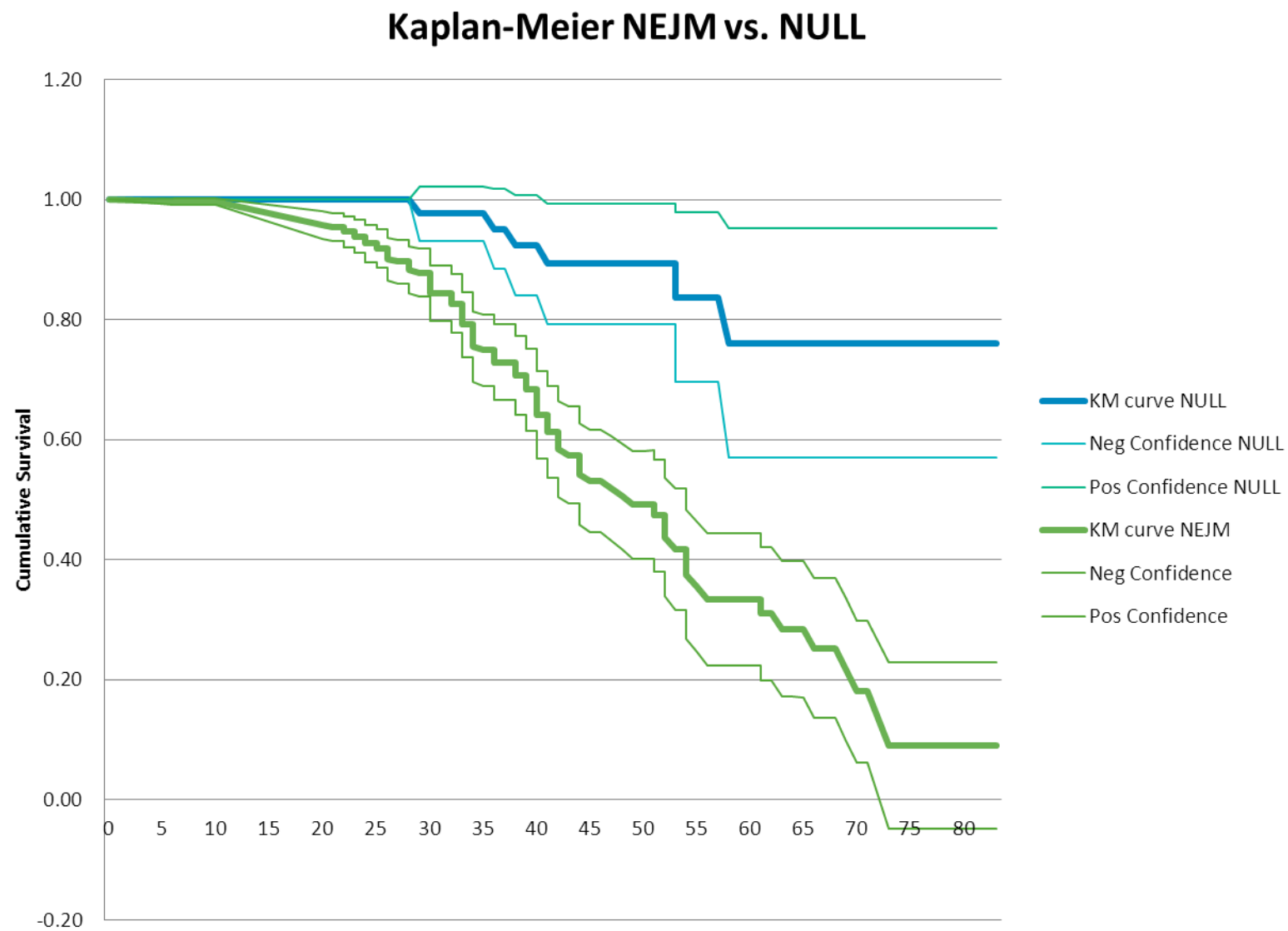
Don't get pregnant because you will die

If you do get pregnant, terminate the pregnancy, or you will die

If you don't terminate the pregnancy, see someone else

BUT.....

Supplemental Figure 1: Kaplan-Meier Curves and Confidence Intervals



*Non-overlapping confidence intervals are indicative of significance

Management and Treatment

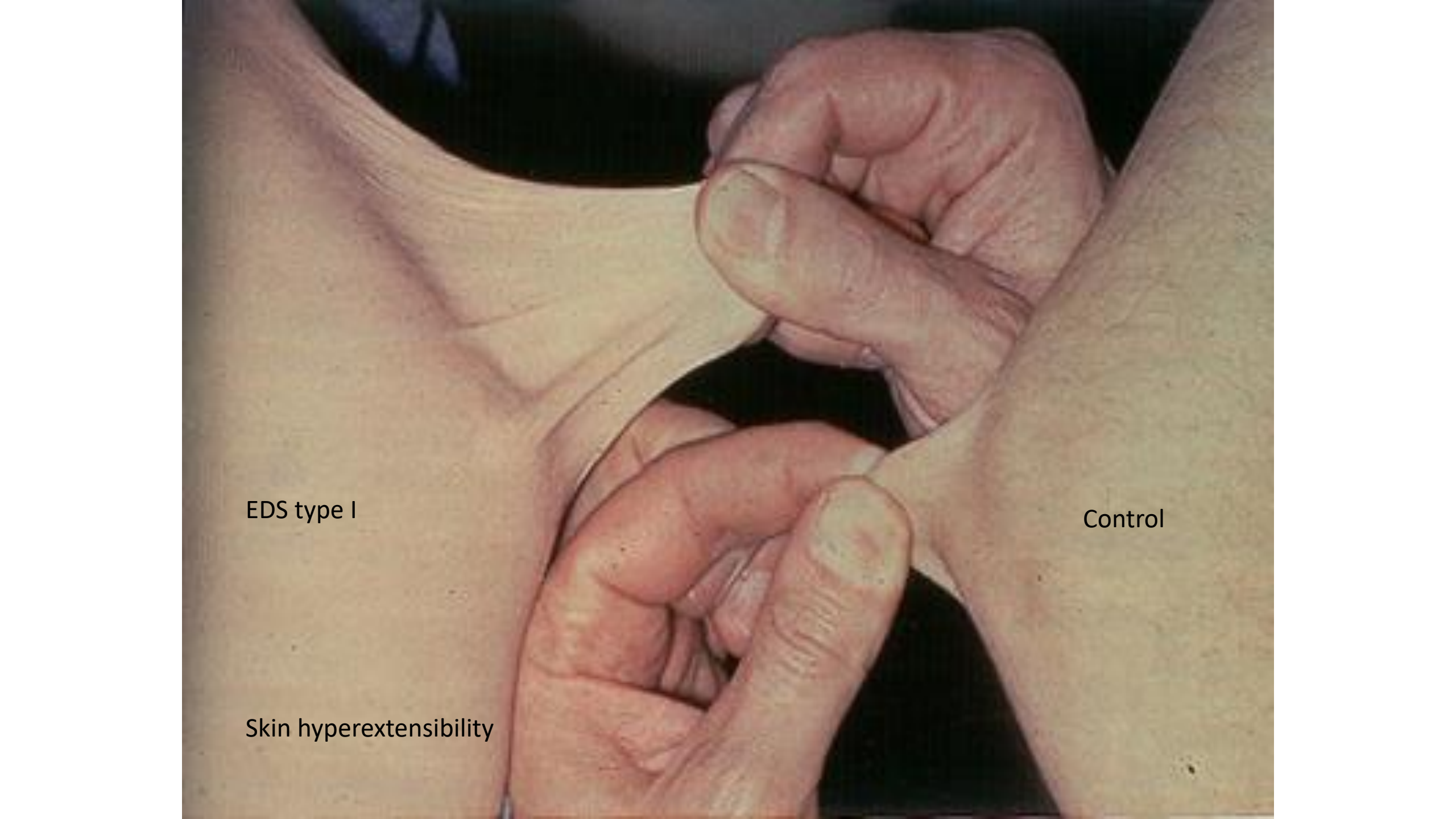
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Other laboratories that do the studies:
Connective Tissue Gene Tests, Allentown, PA
Matrix DNA Diagnostics, Tulane, Invitae, Ambry,
GeneDx, Prevention, etc



EDS type I

Control

Skin hyperextensibility

Cigarette paper scars
Heme pigment accumulation



Genu recurvatum
Large joint hypermobility

