



Hôpitaux de Lyon

ERNDIM DPT Schemes

Common sample 2010

Sialidosis type I

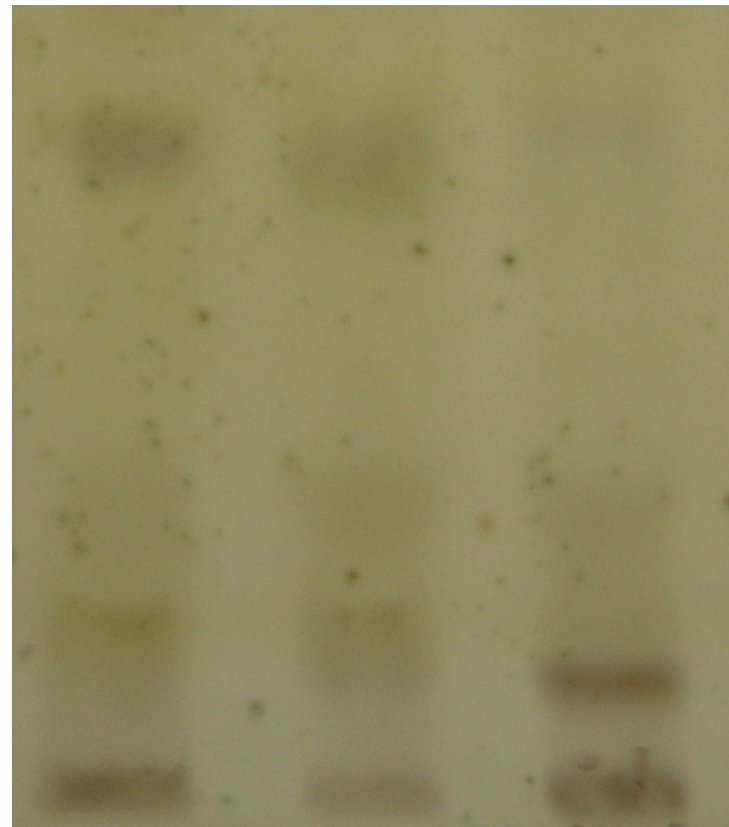
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Patient information on form at referral

- ▶ 43 year old woman who presented progressive walking difficulties, osteoporosis, cholestasis and myoclonic epilepsy. She also had a loss of visual acuity. Ophthalmoscopy revealed a cherry red spot
- ▶ **Diagnosis : α -D-neuraminidase deficiency, also called sialidosis type I or sialidase deficiency or « cherry-red spot – myoclonus » syndrome or mucopolipidosis type I**
- ▶ This urine sample was provided by Dr Barth, CHU Angers, France. Diagnosis was suspected on
 - ▶ Oligosaccharides profile : abnormal bands at 4% and 16% Rf lactose
 - ▶ TLC sialic acid : sialyloligosaccharides

Sialic acid TLC



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disease

Infant

DPT

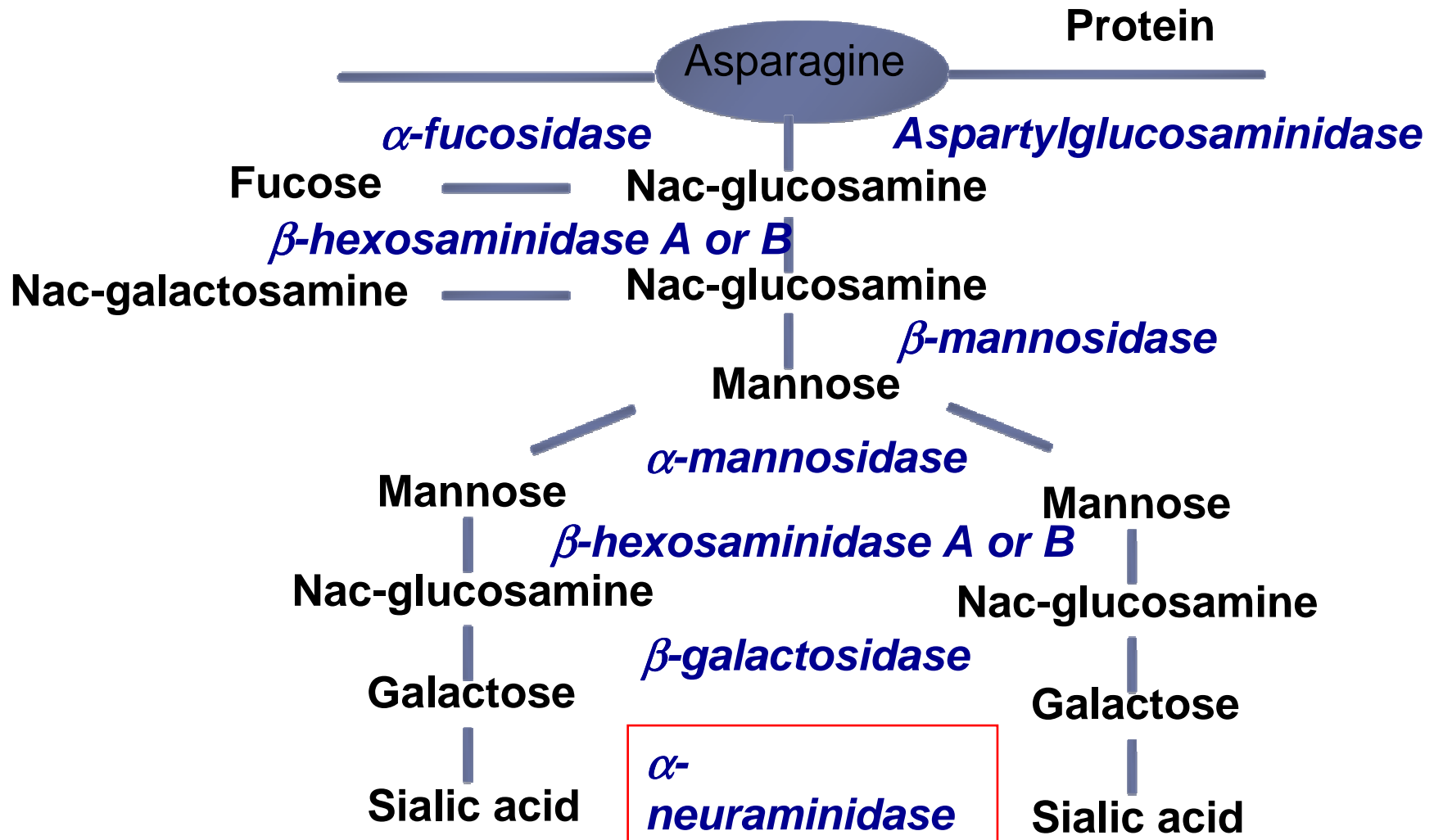
← Free sialic
acid

← Sialyl
oligosaccharides

Detailed patient information

- ▶ Born in 1967
- ▶ 18 years of age : progressive loss of visual acuity with a cherry-red spot in the macula, leading to optic atrophy and cataract
- ▶ 32 years : myoclonic epilepsy
- ▶ 33 years : shakes, cerebellar ataxia, nystagmus, tetrapyramidal syndrome
- ▶ MRI : cortical atrophy mainly in frontal lobes
- ▶ 41 years : osteonecrosis of femoral and humeral heads (unusual in sialidosis type I)

Degradative pathway of a glycoprotein oligosaccharide chain



Sialidosis type I

Clinical abnormality	Patients (%)
Cherry-red spot	100
Myoclonus	85
Visual defects	70
Ataxia	59
Hyperreflexia	52
Seizures	48
Dysarthria	33
Nystagmus	30
Hypotonia	19
Lens / corneal opacity	15

Clinical features from 27 patients (Scriver)

Confirmation of diagnosis

- ▶ **Deficient α -D-neuraminidase activity**
 - ▶ Leukocytes = 0.07 μ kat/kg (simultaneous control : 0.41 ; controls : 0.32 – 1.70)
 - ▶ Fibroblasts = 0.7 μ kat/kg (simultaneous control : 9.2 ; controls : 2.7 – 5.4)
- ▶ **Normal activity in leukocytes and fibroblasts of**
 - ▶ β -D-galactosidase : excluding galactosialidosis and GM1 gangliosidosis
 - ▶ total hexosaminidase and hexosaminidase A : excluding GM2 gangliosidosis
- ▶ **Normal filipine test in fibroblasts : excluding Niemann-Pick type C**

DPT centres

- ▶ Amsterdam 19 labs
- ▶ Basel 21 labs
- ▶ Lyon 21 labs
- ▶ Pragues 19 labs
- ▶ Sheffield 21 labs (3 no answer)

- ▶ Total 101 labs (98 responders)

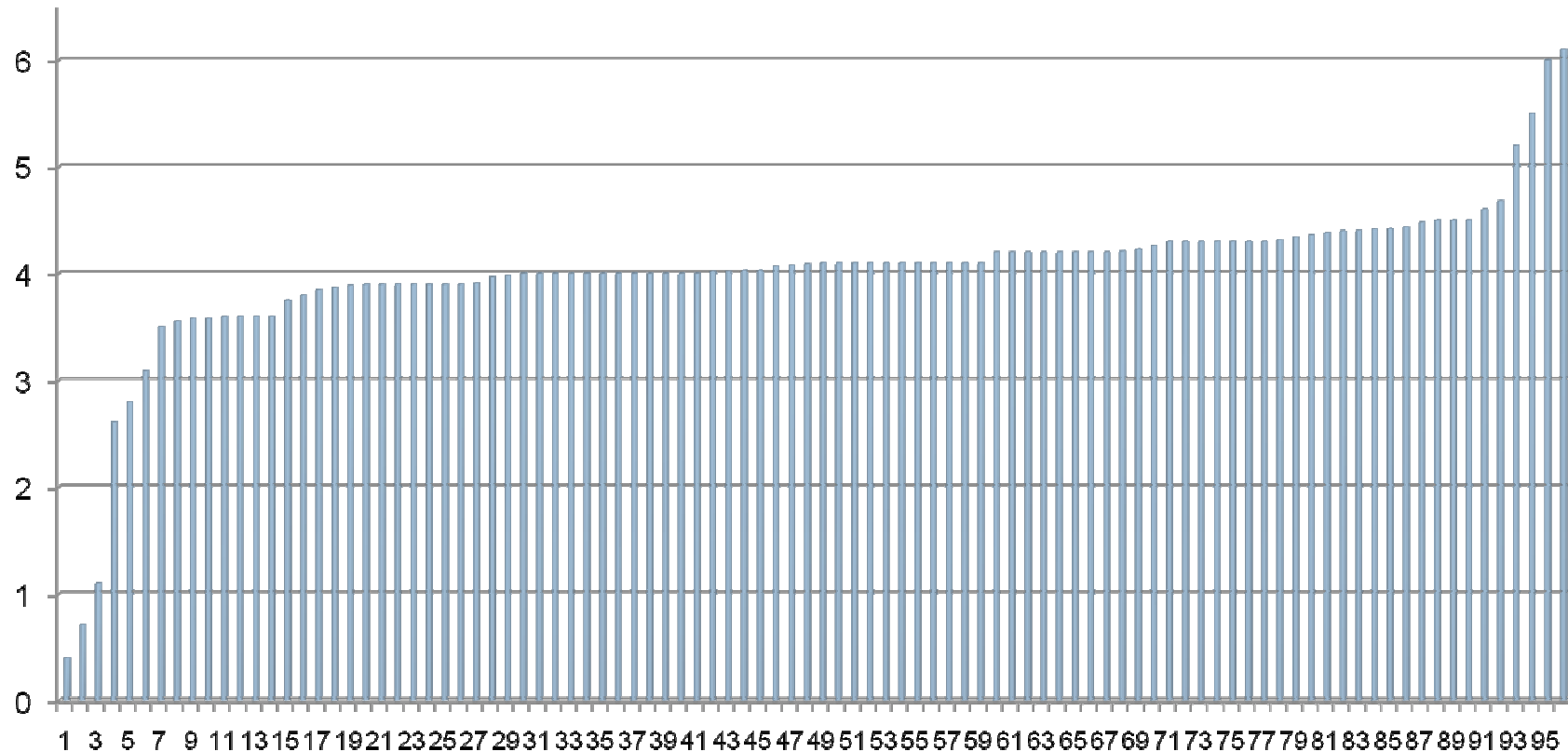
Creatinine determination

Centre	Median	Mean	Coefficient of variation
Amsterdam	4.20	4.17	6 %
Basel	4.00	3.92	9 %
Lyon	4.21	3.96	23 %
Pragues	4.20	4.21	29 %
Sheffield	4.00	3.79	19 %
All centres	4.09	4.01	19 %

Interlab CV 2009 Special Assay urine = 6.5 % (n = 103)
Interlab CV 2009 Quantitative organic acids = 5.8 % (n = 68)

Creatinine determination (mmol/mol creat)

Median = 4.10 - CV = 19 %



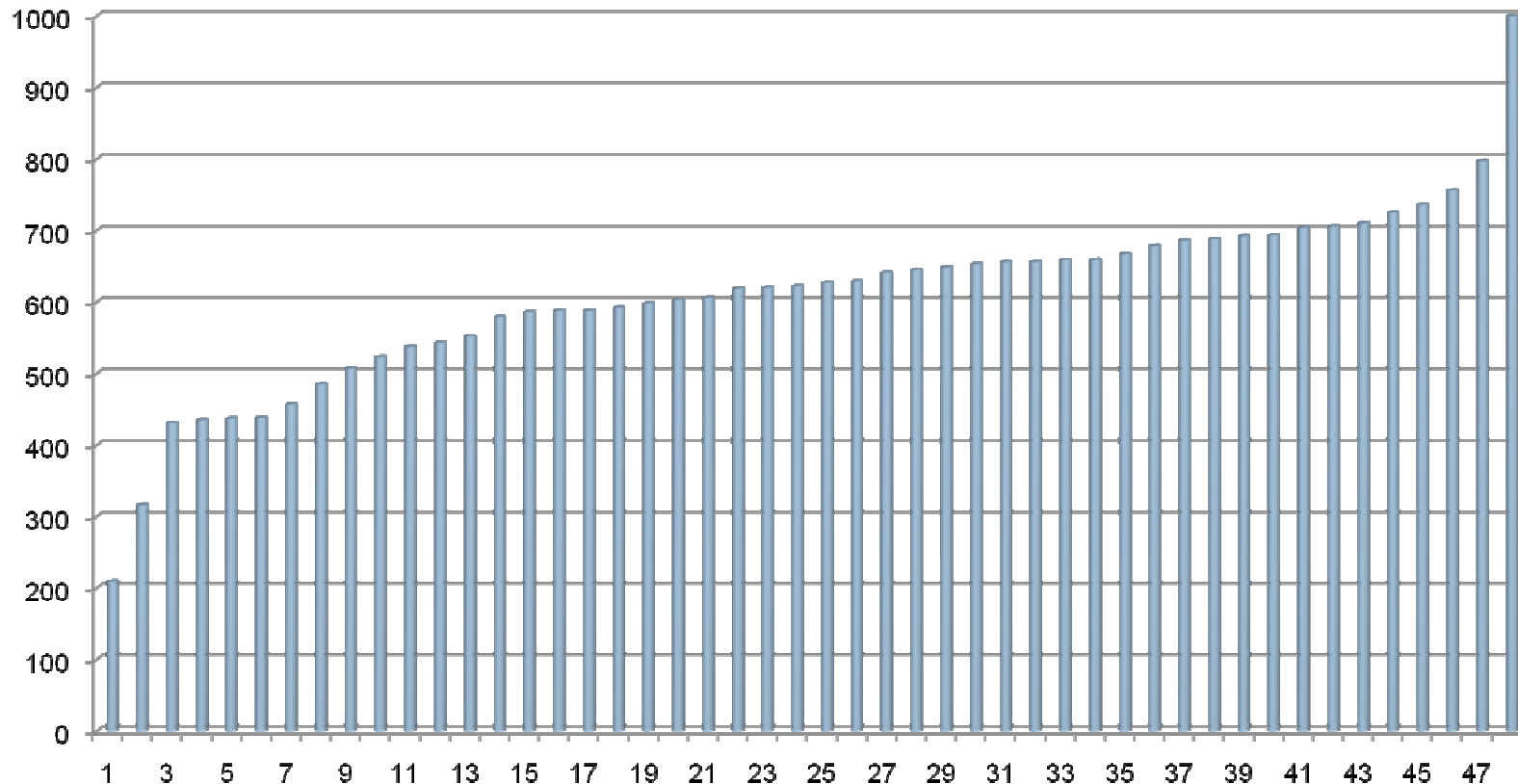
Lab findings

- ▶ **Organic acids : 70 / 98 labs**
 - ▶ Valproate (Depakine) metabolites 51 labs
 - ▶ Levotiracetam (Keppra) metabolites 26 labs
 - ▶ Slight increase of lactic acid 14 labs
 - ▶ No significant abnormality 13 labs
 - ▶ Other comments : 10 labs

- ▶ **Amino acids : 77 / 98 labs**
 - ▶ Increase of glycine secondary to valproate therapy 50 labs
 - ▶ No significant abnormality 23 labs
 - ▶ Low serine, high glutamic acid , probably due to a problem of storage of the urine sample 5 labs

Glycine determination (mmol/mol creat)

Median = 621 - CV = 19% (1 wrong value excluded)



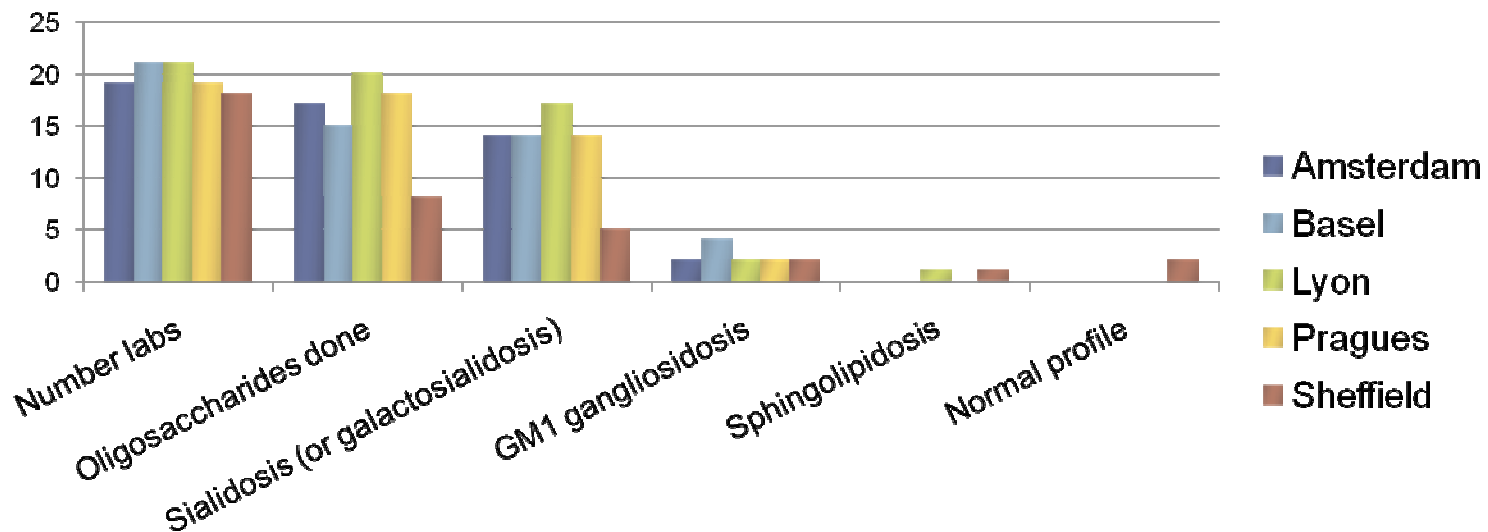
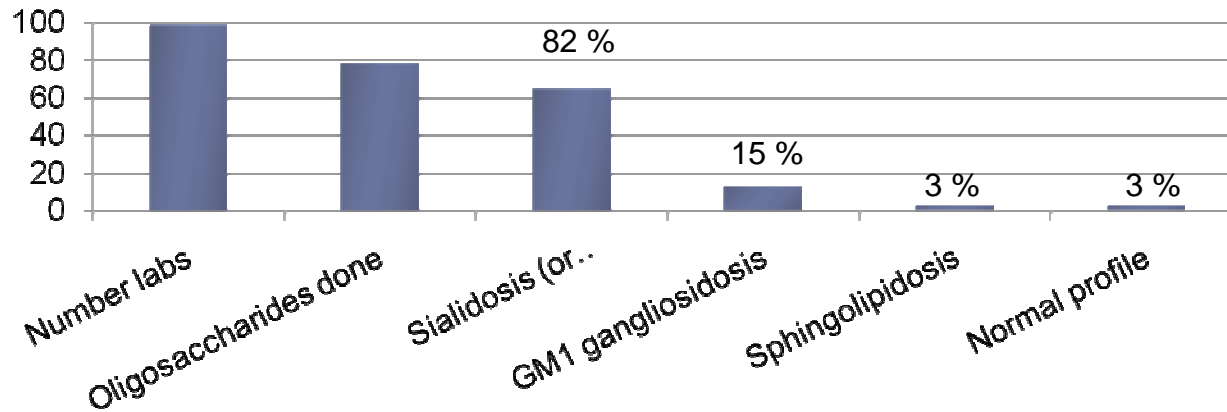
Interlab CV 2009 Plasma amino acids = 10.8
%

Oligosaccharides determination

DPT centre	Number of labs	Test performed	%
Amsterdam	19	17	89 %
Basel	21	15	71 %
Lyon	21	20	95 %
Pragues	19	18	95 %
Sheffield	18	8	44 %
Total	98	78	80 %

Interpretation of oligosaccharide profile

All centres



Other assays

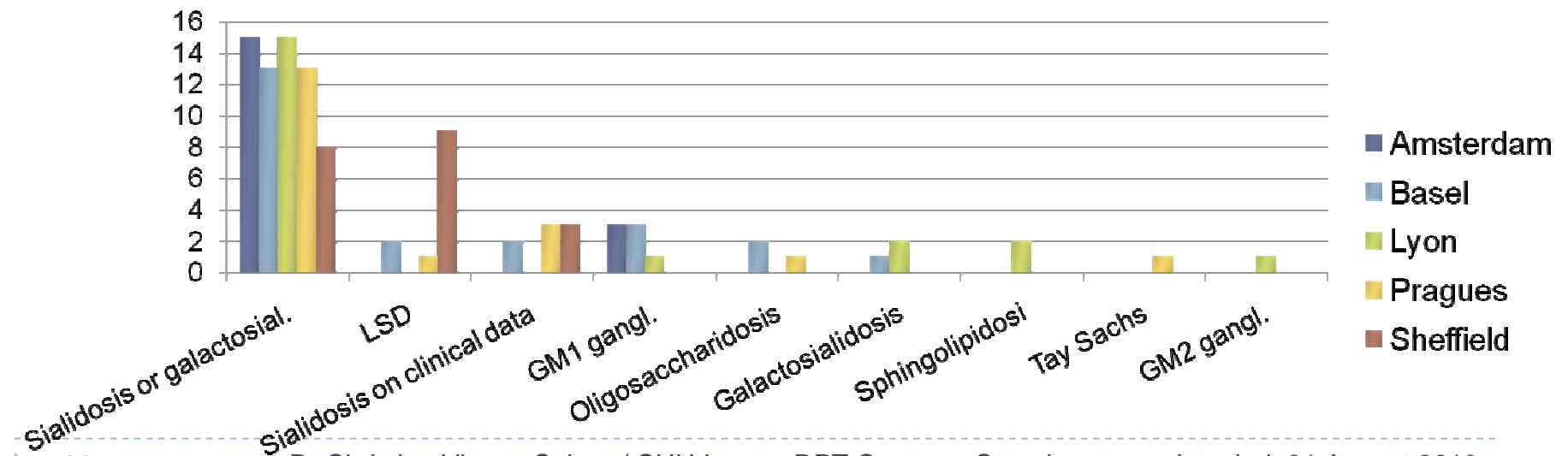
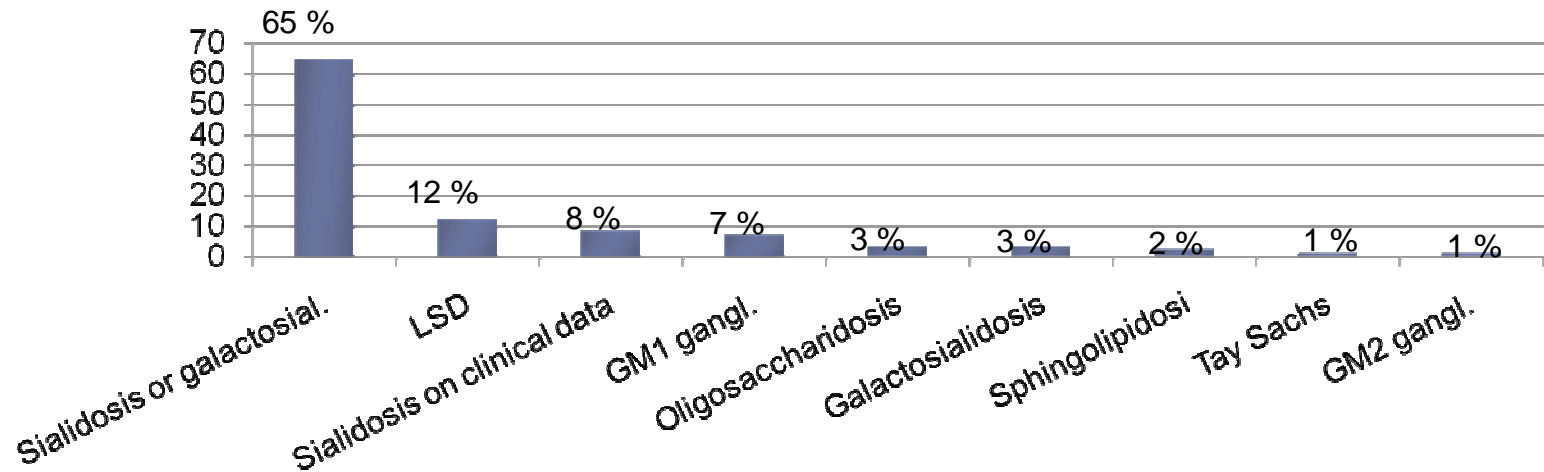
- ▶ **Sialic acid TLC (10 labs)**
 - ▶ Increase of sialyloligosaccharides 8 labs
 - ▶ Normal profile 2 labs
- ▶ **Free sialic acid quantification (6 labs)**
 - ▶ Normal results 6 labs
- ▶ **Bound sialic acid quantification (6 labs)**
 - ▶ Increase of bound sialic acid 6 labs

Other assays

- ▶ **Mucopolysaccharides 74 / 98 labs**
 - ▶ Normal excretion 62 labs
 - ▶ Increased excretion 11 labs
 - ▶ Normal pattern 24 labs
- ▶ **Purines and pyrimidines 27 / 98 labs**
 - ▶ Normal results 25 labs
 - ▶ Increase of succinyladenosine 2 labs
- ▶ **Bile acids 3 / 98 labs**
 - ▶ Normal results 3 labs

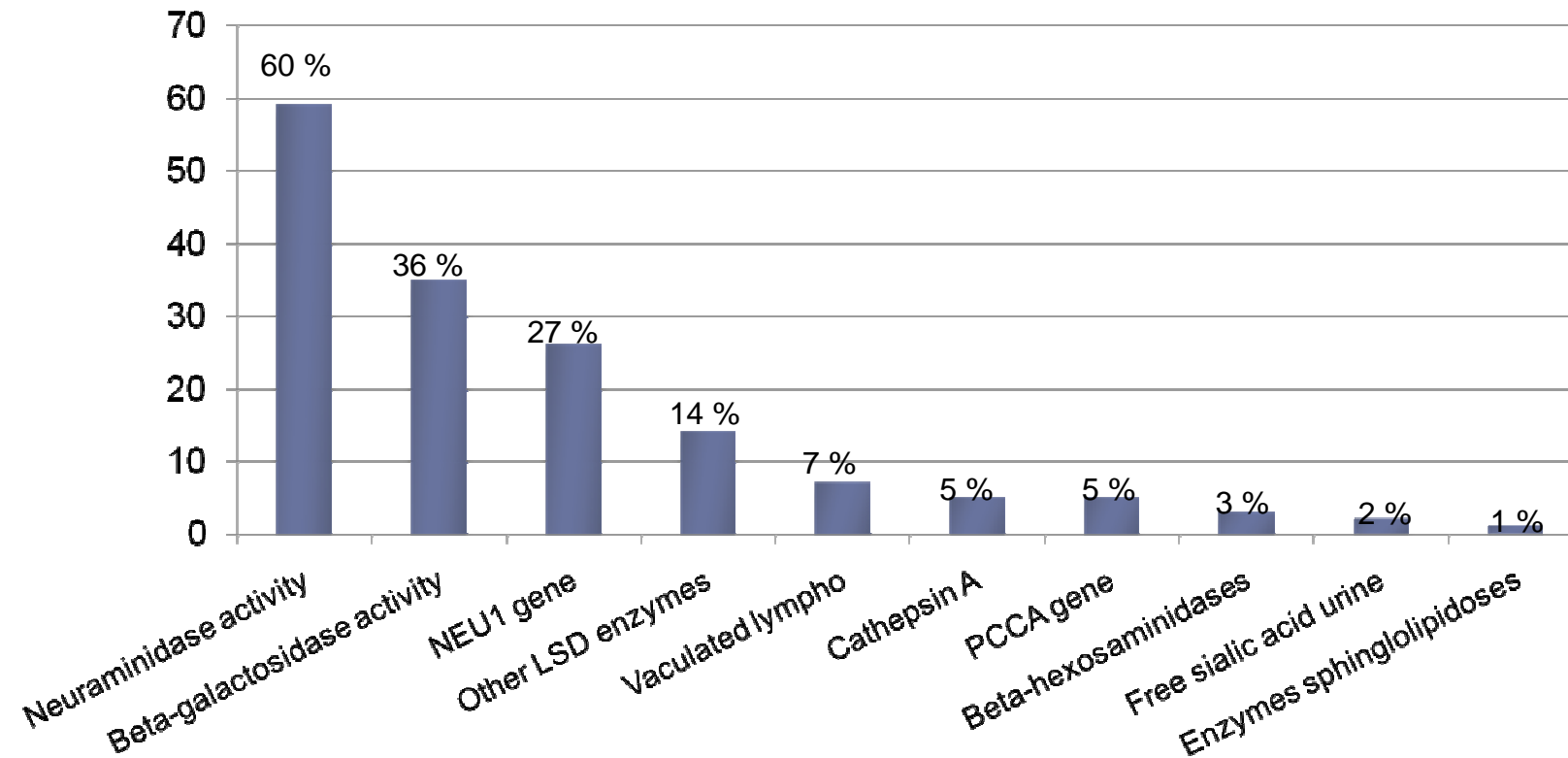
Interpretation of results

All centers



Advice for further investigations

All centres



Scoring

- Analytical performance
 - ▶ Oligosaccharide profile suggestive of sialidosis or galactosialidosis, and/or increase of sialyloligosaccharides, and/or increase of conjugated sialic acid 2
 - ▶ Abnormal oligosaccharide profile 1
- Interpretation of results
 - ▶ Sialidosis or galactosialidosis 2
 - ▶ Oligosaccharidosis, or diagnosis of sialidosis based on clinical data, or “sialidosis or GM1gangliosidosis” 1
 - ▶ GM1 or GM2 gangliosidosis, sphingolipidosis 0
- Advice for further investigations
 - ▶ α -neuraminidase activity (leukocytes, or fibroblasts) and / or mutation analysis *NEU1* gene 1

Scoring

DPT Centre	Analytical (%)	Interpretation (%)	Advice further invest (%)	Total (%)
Amsterdam	74 %	82 %	84 %	79 %
Basel	71 %	69 %	81 %	72 %
Lyon	88 %	81 %	90 %	86 %
Pragues	71 %	71 %	89 %	75 %
Sheffield	44 %	78 %	67 %	62 %
All centres	70 %	76 %	83 %	75 %

Conclusions

- ▶ Oligosaccharide assay should be more widely available
- ▶ When an abnormal oligosaccharide profile is observed, the assay has to be repeated with urine samples from patients with known disorder(s) on the same plate. Scheme organizers can provide urine samples of such patients
- ▶ The ERNDIM QAP for mucopolysaccharides should be extended to oligosaccharides