



# Contribution of biomarkers in the diagnosis and follow-up of sphingolipidoses

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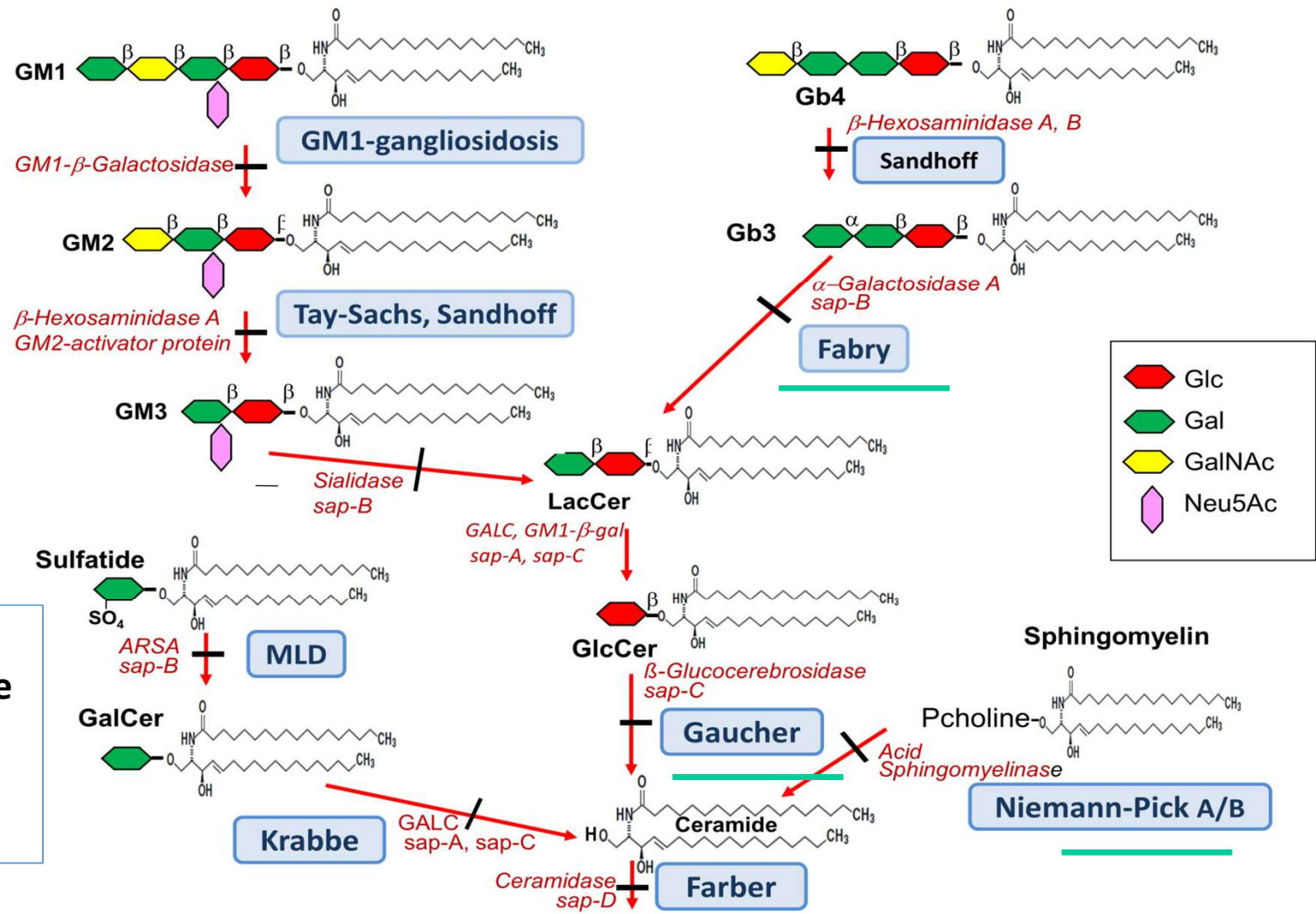
Carrying out analyzes for the Lysodiag Platform on DBS (Takeda)



# Sphingolipidoses

- Sphingolipidoses = group of Lysosomal Storage Diseases affecting the metabolism of Sphingolipids
- Several enzymatic deficiencies are known, corresponding to disorders
- The diagnosis is based on enzymatic activity measurement

With the use of MS/MS:  
**Lysosphingolipids** have become biomarkers for screening and follow-up of Sphingolipidoses



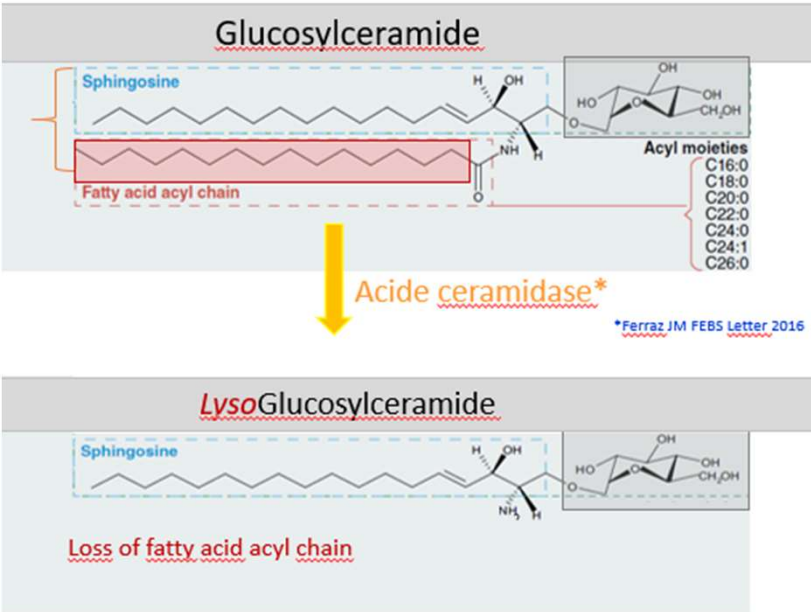


# Lyosphingolipids: Biomarkers of Sphingolipidoses

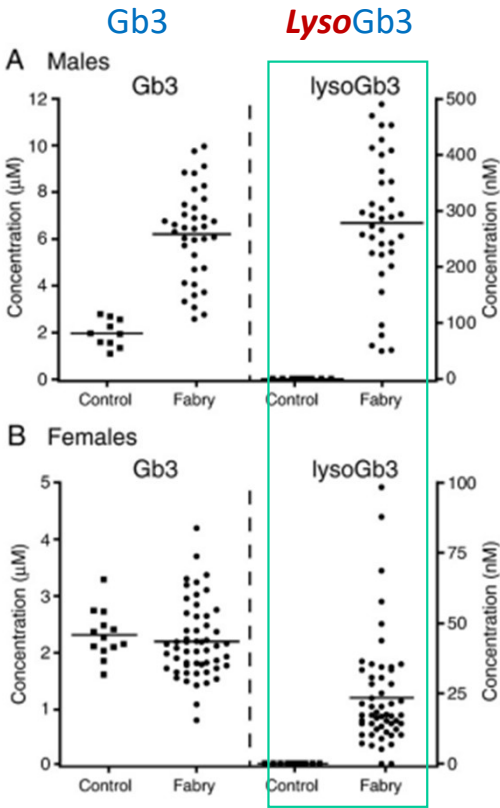
**Lyosphingolipids (LysoSL)**

- deacylated form of the sphingolipids
- role in pathophysiology ?

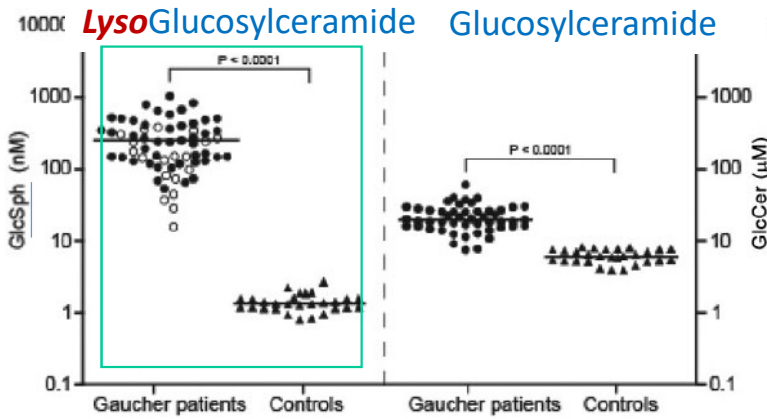
**Measurement of the primary accumulated SL poorly informative in plasma**  
**LysoSL: A thousand time less important in plasma (nmol/L vs μmol/L)**  
**BUT more discriminant**



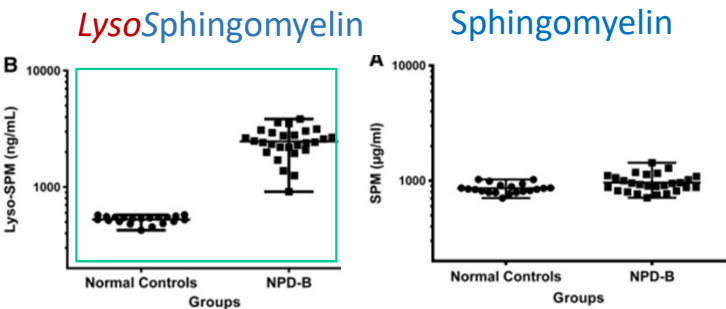
Adapted from *Advances in Gaucher Disease: Basic and Clinical Perspectives. Future medicine. 2013. Glycosphingolipid aspects of Gaucher disease lipidomics. Sun and Zhang.*



Rombach et al. *Biochim Biophys Acta* 2010



Dekker et al. *Blood* 2011



Chuang et al. *Mol Genet Metab* 2014



# Lyosphingolipids: measurement by tandem mass spectrometry (MSMS)

Since 15 years, many reports state of the measurement of LysoSLs by MSMS either isolated, or in multiplex, **in plasma, urine or dried blood spots (DBS)**



**LysoGlobotriaosylceramide (LysoGb<sub>3</sub>) Fabry**

**LysoGalactosyl-ceramide (LysoGalCer) Krabbe**

**LysoGlucosyl-ceramide (LysoGlcCer) Gaucher**

**Lysosphingomyelin (LysoSM) ASMD (Niemann-Pick A/B)**

**LysoSM509/N-palmitoyl-O-phosphocholineserine ASMD and NPC**

*Aerts et al. Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, 2008*

*Chuang et al. Clin Chim Acta 2013*

*Dekker et al. Blood 2011*

*Chuang et al. Mol Genet Metab 2014*

*Giese et al. Orphanet J Rare Dis 2015*

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Simultaneous quantitation of sphingoid bases by UPLC-ESI-MS/MS with identical <sup>13</sup>C-encoded internal standards  
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**Diagnosis of sphingolipidoses: a new simultaneous measurement of lysosphingolipids by LC-MS/MS**

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**Plasma and dried blood spot lysosphingolipids for the diagnosis of different sphingolipidoses: a comparative study**

RESEARCH ARTICLE

**LC-MS/MS multiplex analysis of lysosphingolipids in plasma and amniotic fluid: A novel tool for the screening of sphingolipidoses and Niemann-Pick type C disease**

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*Pettazzoni et al. PLoS One. 2017*

**+ measurement in DBS since 2023**

**Measurement of lysosphingolipids in dried blood spots by LC-MSMS: A useful tool for the diagnosis of sphingolipidoses**

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## Contribution of biomarkers in the diagnosis and follow-up of sphingolipidoses



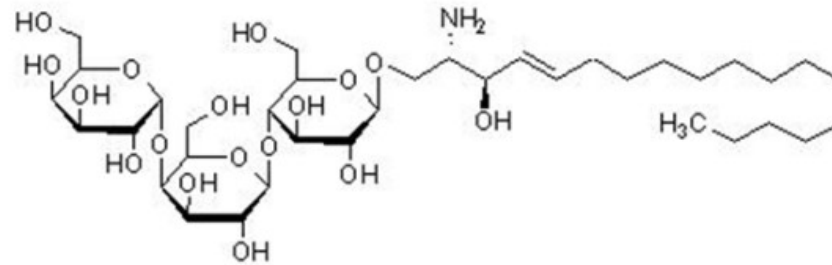
*Are they usefull for diagnosis ?*

*Are they linked to the severity of the disease ?*

*Are they usefull for monitoring patients ?*

*Could DBS replace plasma ?*





## LysoGlobotriaosylceramide (LysoGb3): biomarker of Fabry disease

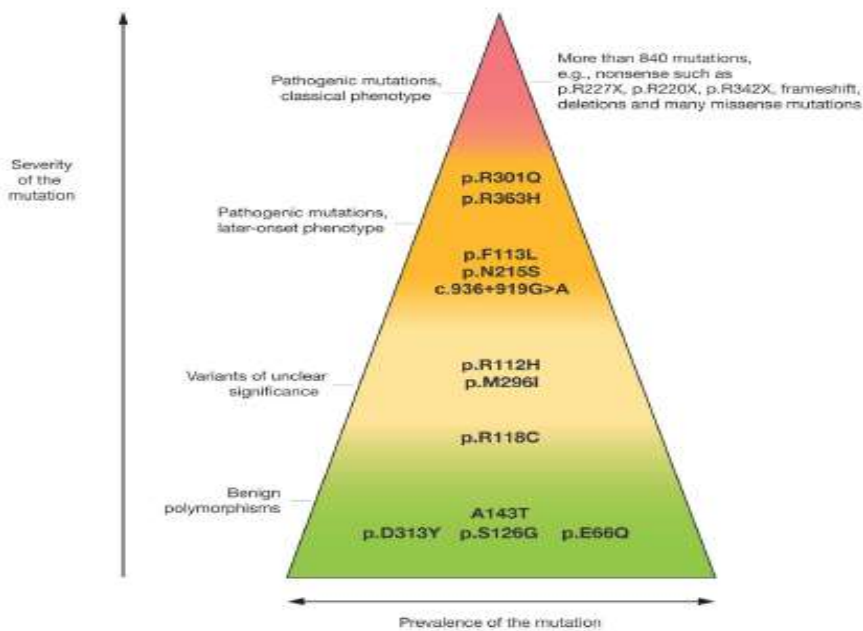
**LysoGL3**

**Globotriaosylsphingosine**



# Fabry disease (X-linked)

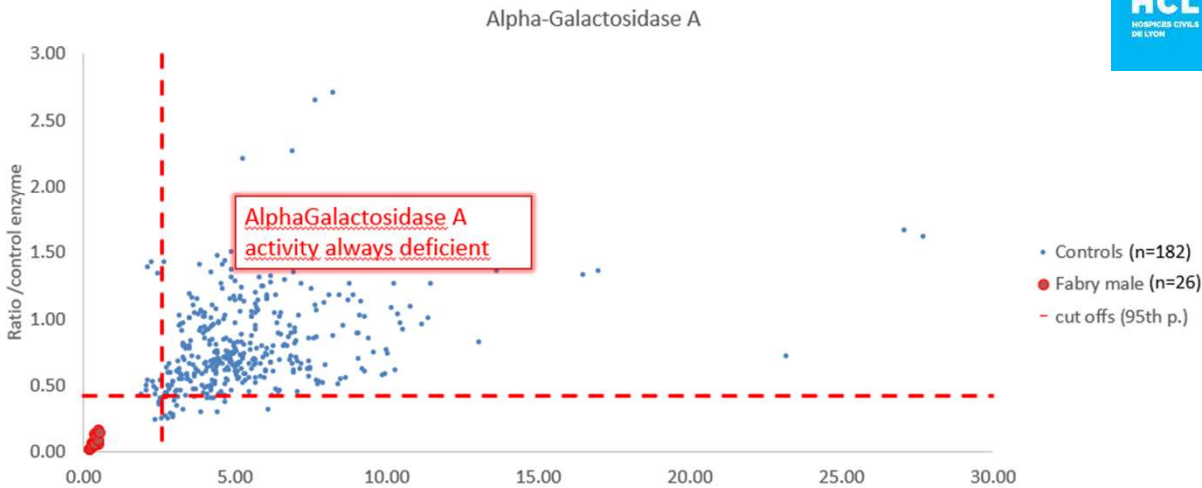
Fabry disease is an X linked disorder caused by mutation on *GLA* gene with 2 phenotypes :  
Classical Form and Variant form corresponding to specific mutations



Ortiz et al., MGM 123 (2018) 416–427

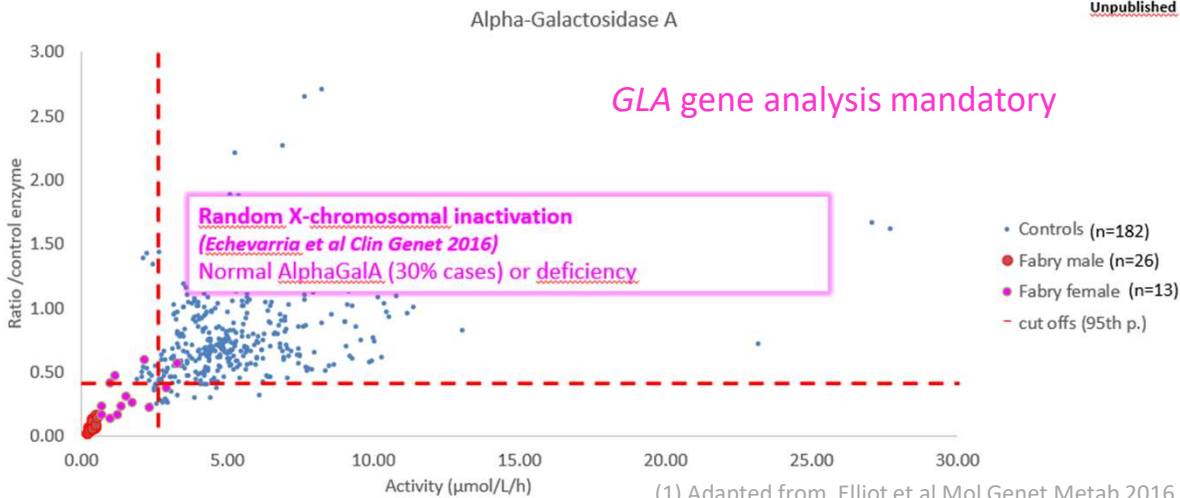
## Male diagnosis: AlphaGalactosidase A activity measurement

NeoLSD kit Perkin Elmer <sup>(1)</sup>



## Female diagnosis: alpha-Galactosidase A activity measurement

NeoLSD kit Perkin Elmer <sup>(1)</sup>



(1) Adapted from Elliot et al Mol Genet Metab 2016

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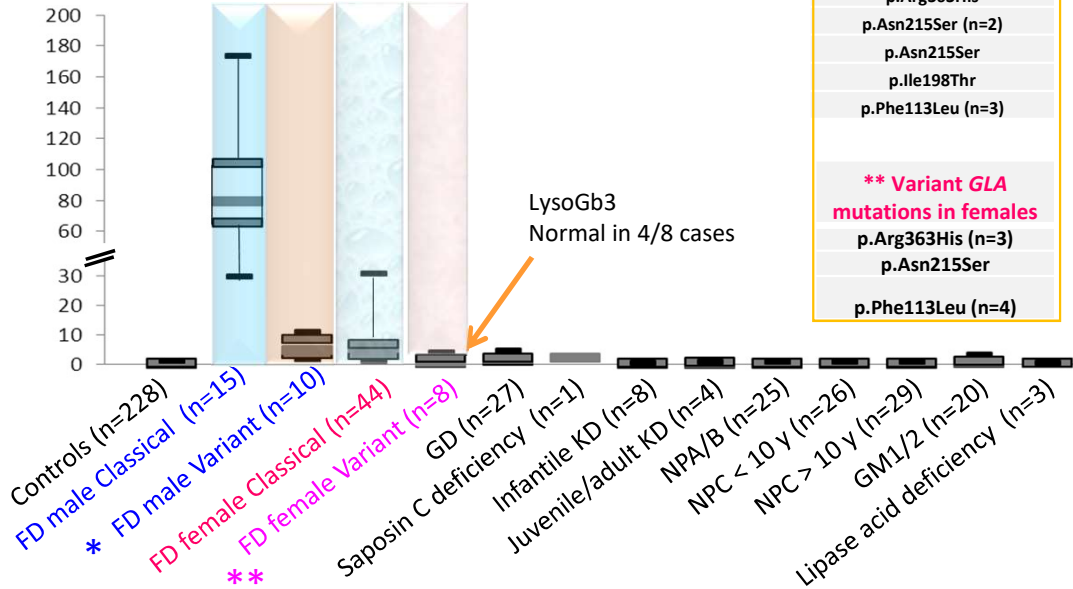
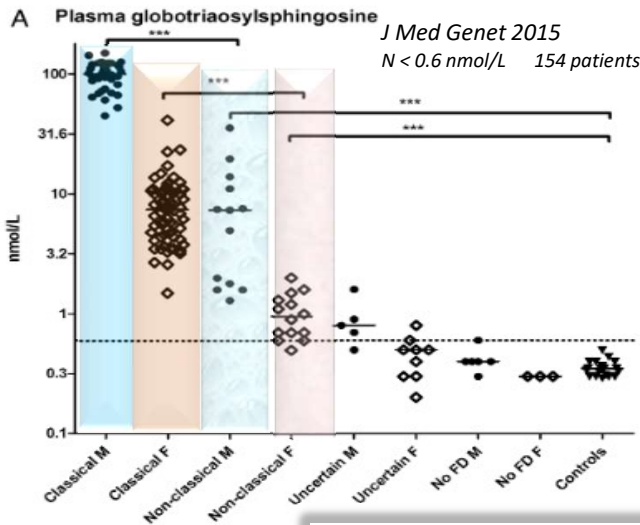
## LysoGb3: a diagnostic biomarker in plasma

### Elevated globotriaosylsphingosine is a hallmark of Fabry disease PNAS 2008

Johannes M. Aerts\*, Johanna E. Groener\*, Sijmen Kuiper\*, Wilma E. Donker-Koopman\*, Anneke Strijland\*, Roelof Ottenhoff\*, Cindy van Roomen\*, Mina Mirzaian\*, Frits A. Wijburg\*, Gabor E. Linthorst\*, Anouk C. Vedder\*, Saskia M. Rombach\*, Josanne Cox-Brinkman\*, Pentti Somerharju\*, Rolf G. Boot\*, Carla E. Hollak\*, Roscoe O. Brady<sup>15</sup>, and Ben J. Poorthuis\*

#### ORIGINAL ARTICLE Plasma globotriaosylsphingosine in relation to phenotypes of Fabry disease

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#### \* Variant GLA mutations in males

p.Ile232Thr  
p.Met296Val  
p.Arg301Gln  
p.Arg363His  
p.Asn215Ser (n=2)  
p.Asn215Ser  
p.Ile198Thr  
p.Phe113Leu (n=3)

#### \*\* Variant GLA mutations in females

p.Arg363His (n=3)  
p.Asn215Ser  
p.Phe113Leu (n=4)

Pettazzoni et al. PLoS One. 2017

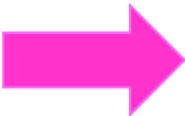
Plasma LysoGb<sub>3</sub> is a sensitive biomarker of screening,  
LESS OVERLAP than U Gb<sub>3</sub> between patients and controls, but can be normal in females



# Fabry disease (X-linked)

Ratio AGAL/LysoGb3 could increase the sensitivity in females

**In females**  
lysoGb3 more sensitive than AGaA in classical forms  
BUT 80% of late onset forms had normal LysoGb3 !





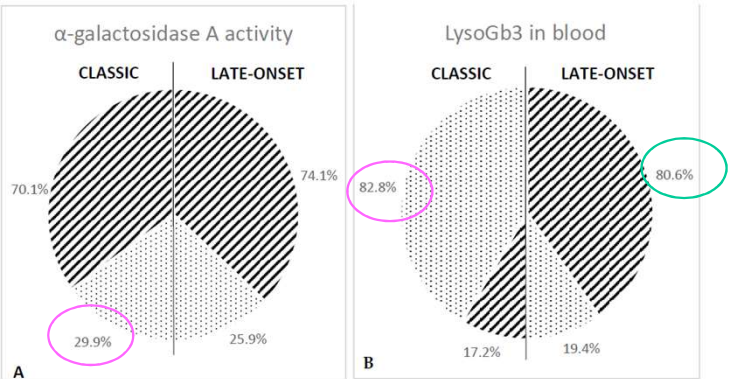
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$\alpha$ -Galactosidase A/lysoGb3 ratio as a potential marker for Fabry disease in females

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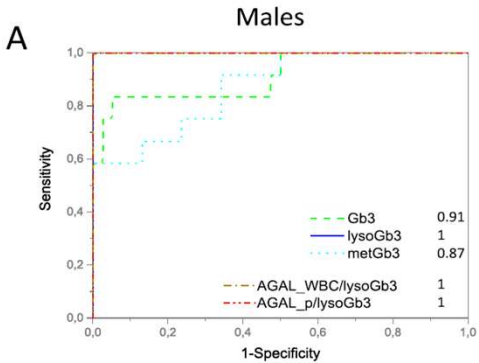
Baydakova et al Clin Chim Acta. 2020 Feb



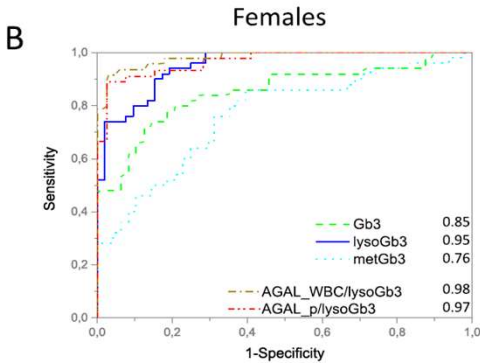
268 females with classical form:  
30% AGaA activity decreased vs  
80% lysoGb3 increase

185 females with late onset form

Duro et al Int. J. Mol. Sci. 2024, 25, 5158



12 untreated male FD patients (6 classic FD and 6 late-onset cardiac FD), and 50 untreated heterozygous female FD patients (25 classic FD and 25 late-onset cardiac FD)



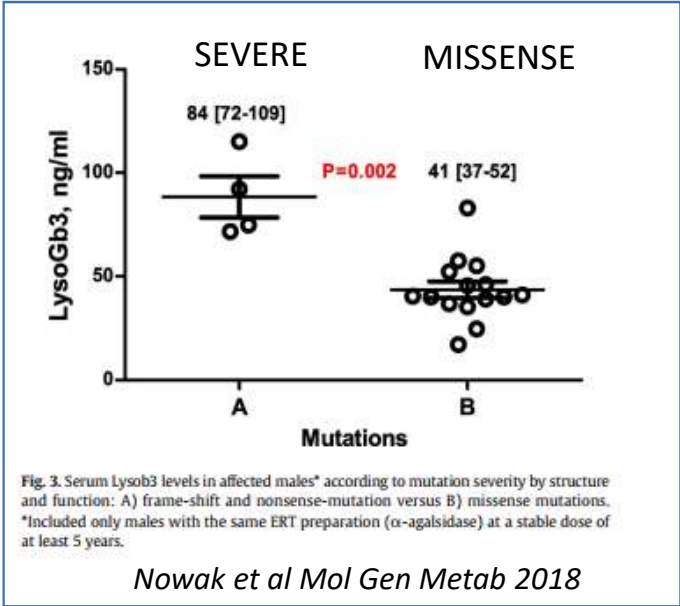
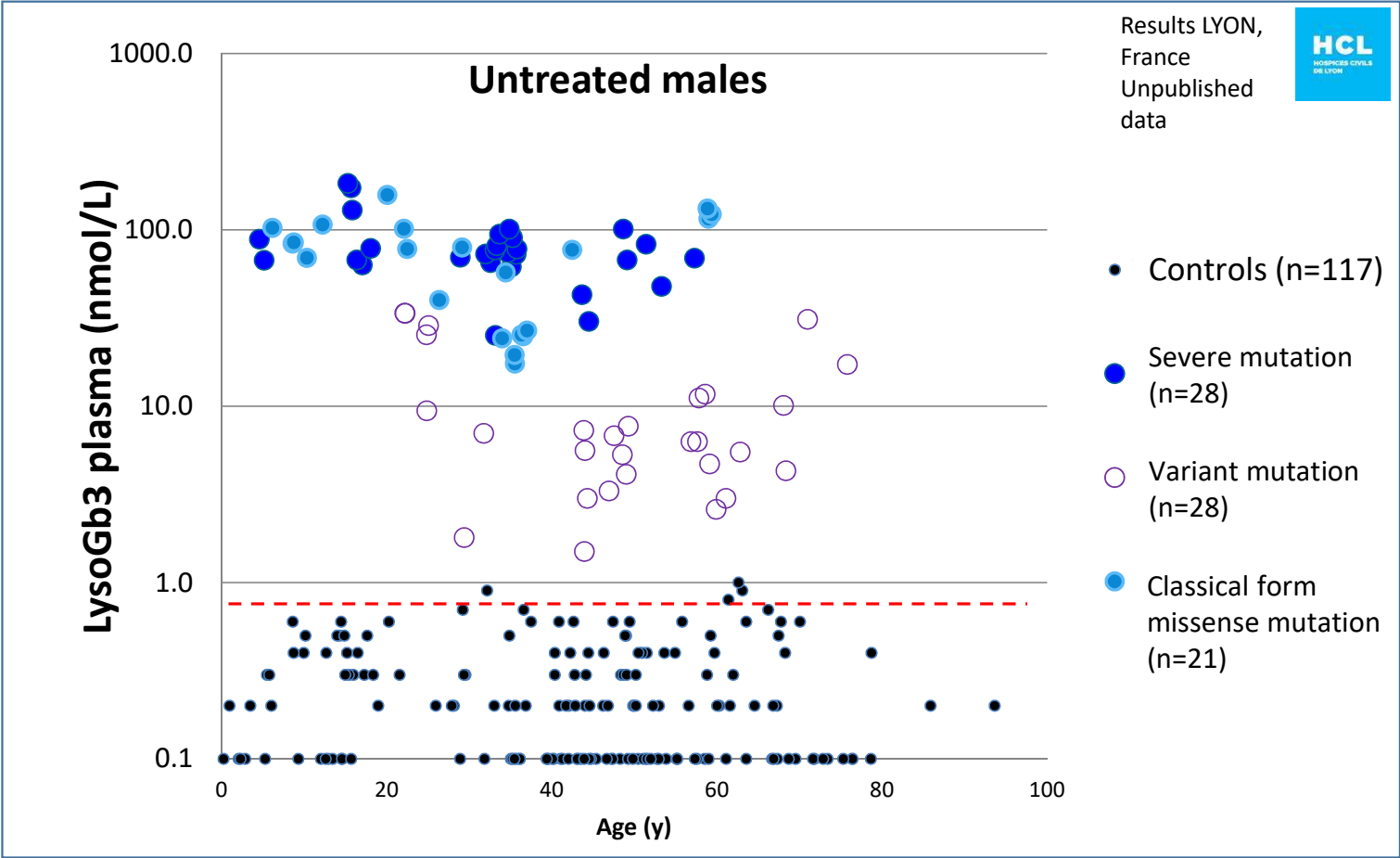
**Ratio AGAL WBC/lysoGb3 sensitivity 98%**

L. Kuchar et al.  
Clinica Chimica Acta 561 (2024) 119824



# Fabry disease (X-linked)

## LysoGb3: A phenotype biomarker in males

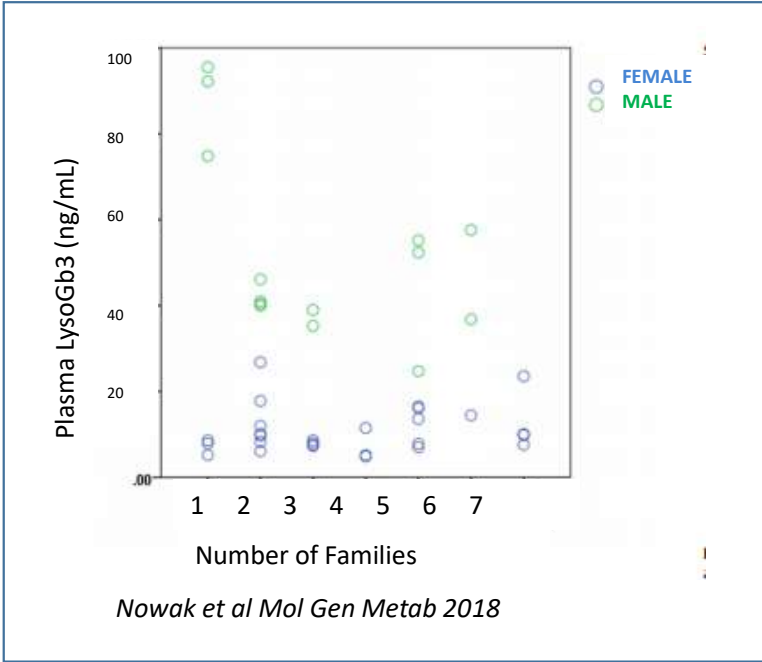
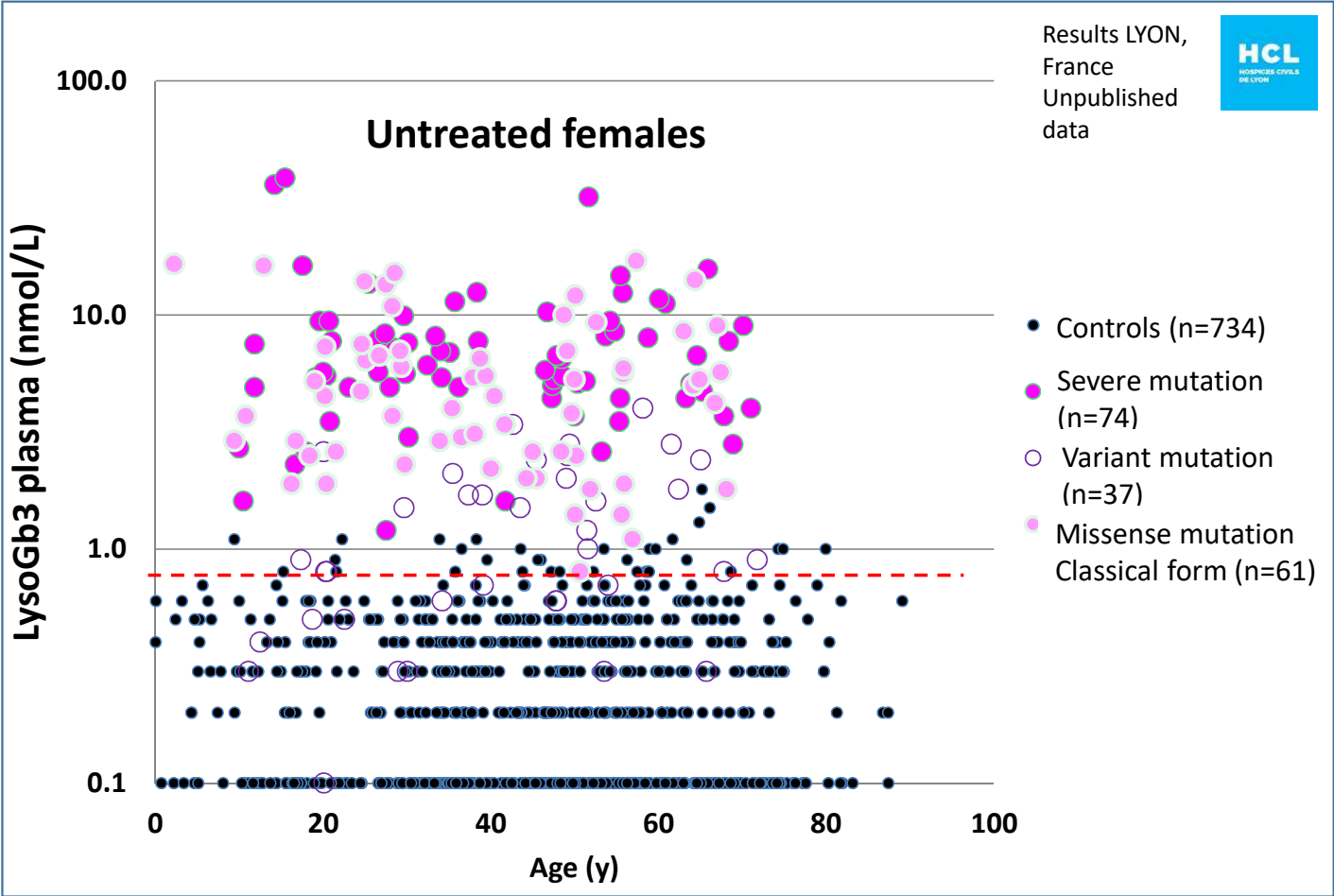


The biomarker is higher in case of severe variant in *GLA* gene (frame-shift and nonsense variants)  
Useful for Variant of Uncertain Significance (VUS)



# Fabry disease (X-linked)

## LysoGb3: A phenotype biomarker not always informative in females



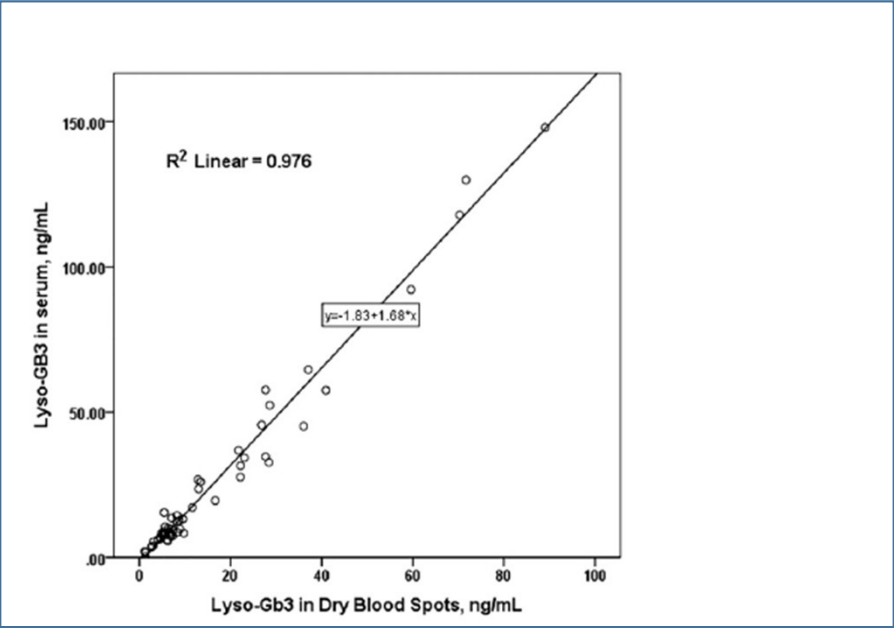
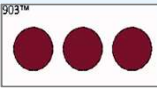
In females, LysoGb3 levels did not depend on the mutation severity

In a same family LysoGb3 values  
**are lower in females** than males

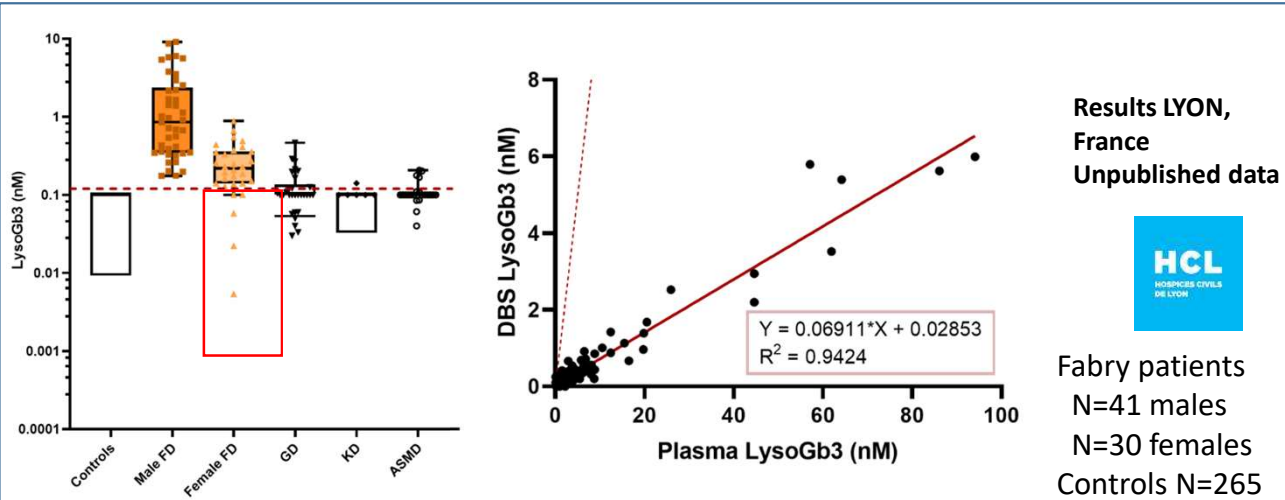


# Fabry disease (X-linked)

LysoGb3 in dried blood spots (DBS): correlated but less sensitive than in plasma




A. Nowak et al. Molecular Genetics and Metabolism 121 (2017) 320–324




- Values in DBS were well correlated with paired plasma ( $R^2=0.94$ )
- All male FD values were elevated
- but 5/30 female FD values were under the cut-off in DBS, vs only 3/30 in plasma

=> DBS LESS SENSITIVE THAN PLASMA

In good accordance with literature (Polo et al 2019 (1))



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Mass Spectrometry Analysis of Globotriaosylsphingosine and Its Analogues in Dried Blood Spots

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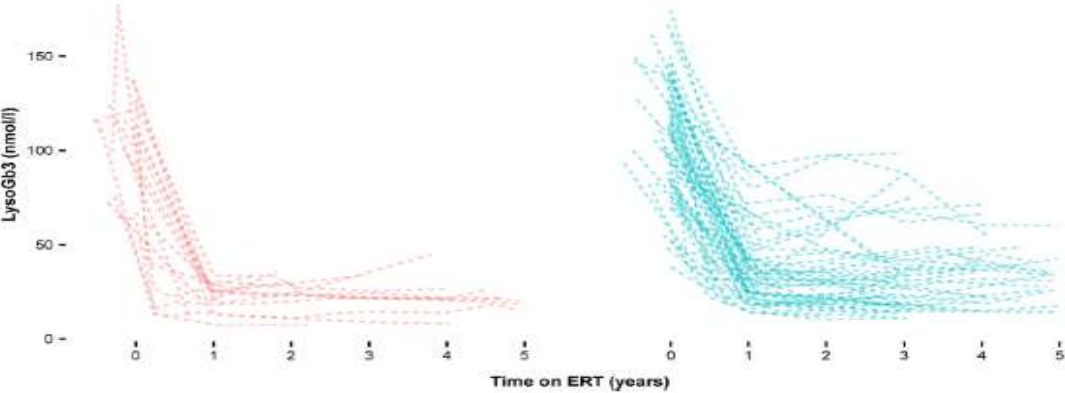


# Fabry disease (X-linked)

## LysoGb3: Treatment follow-up

### Enzyme Replacement Therapy

**EARLY-TREATMENT**  
Treatment started before the age of 25y in males



**LATE-TREATMENT**  
Treatment started after the age of 25y in males

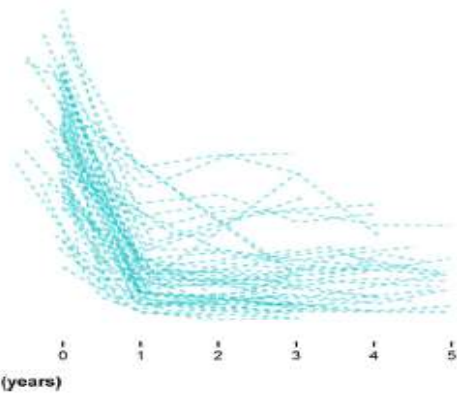
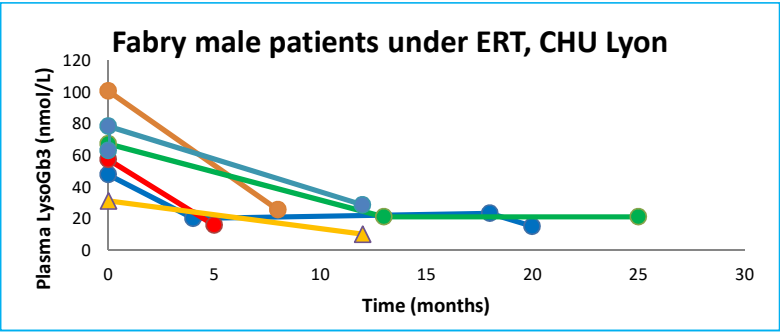


Fig. 1. LysoGb3 over time for early-treatment and late-treatment patients.

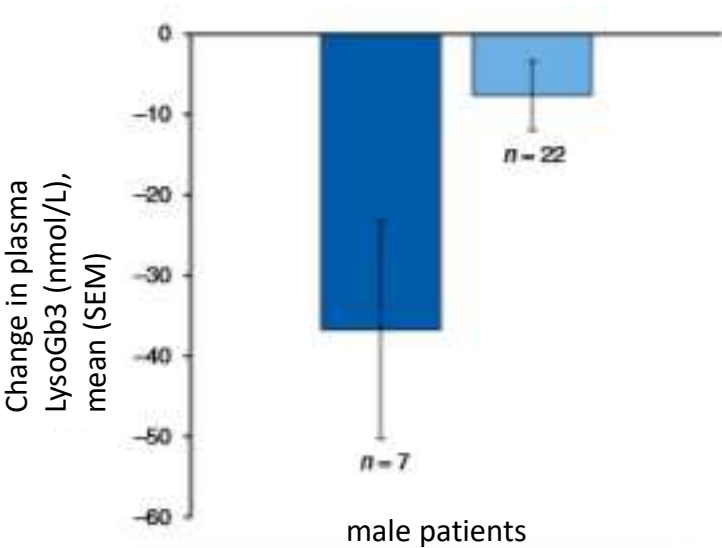
Arends et al. Molecular Genetics and Metabolism 2017



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### Pharmacologic Chaperone Migalastat



Baseline values	Lyso-GB3	
	Classic	Other patients
n	7	24
Mean (SD)	99.8 (35.3)	29.3 (48.3)

Germain et al. Genet Med. 2019



# Fabry disease (X-linked)

## LysoGb3: utility of lyso-Gb3 as a biomarker to monitor treatment response ?

However, its usefulness in monitoring the effectiveness of the treatment is debated within the literature<sup>(1, 2, 3, 4).</sup>

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Consensus recommendations for the treatment and management of patients with Fabry disease on migalastat: a modified Delphi study

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“Although plasma lyso-Gb3 has been shown to **decrease or stabilize** in patients receiving treatment with ERT and migalastat, several studies demonstrated that **neither lyso-Gb3 concentration nor rate of change predicts the risk of Fabry-associated clinical events** in either ERT-or migalastat-treated patients <sup>(2, 3).</sup>

Additionally, the **exact mechanism** by which substrate accumulation acts in Fabry disease **is not completely understood** <sup>(2,6).</sup>”

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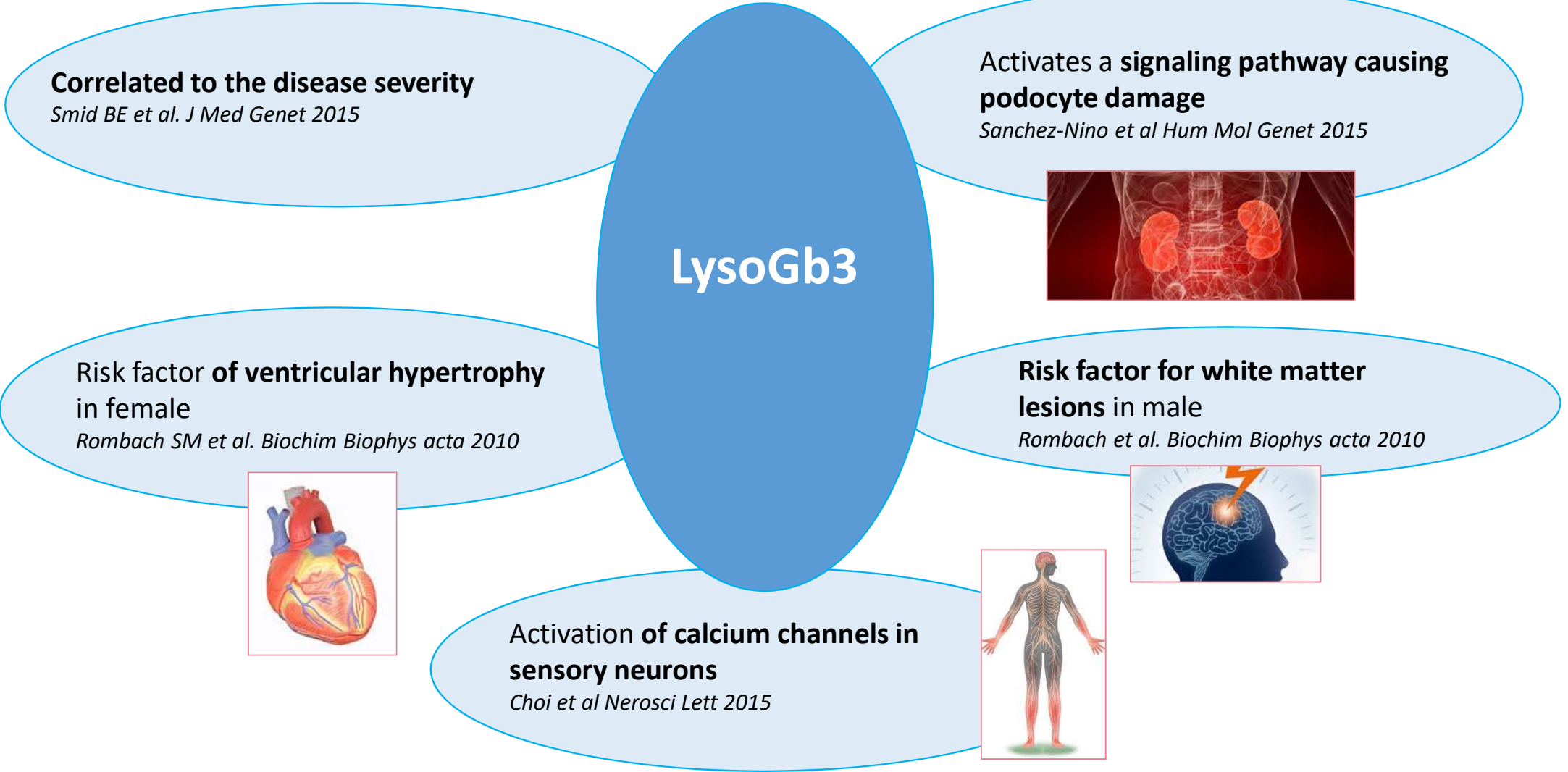
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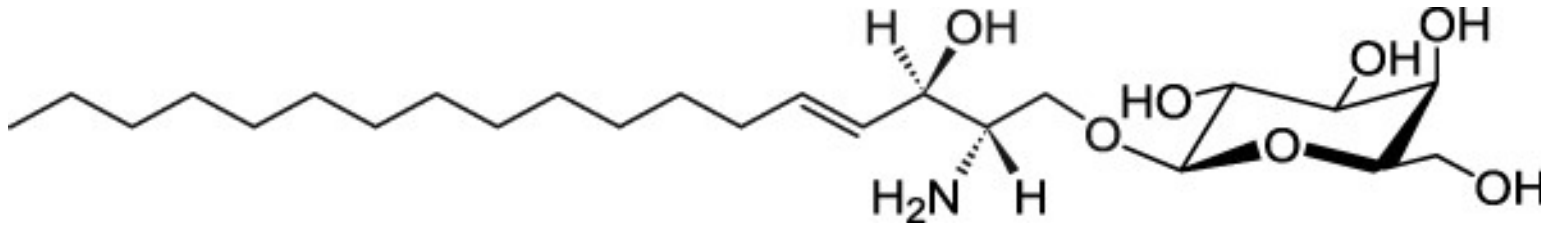


Fabry disease (X-linked)

LysoGb3: role in pathophysiology







## LysoGlucosylceramide (LysoGb1): biomarker of Gaucher disease

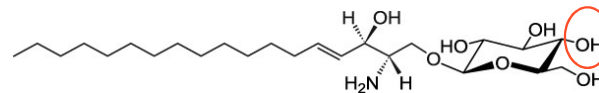
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Glucosylsphingosine

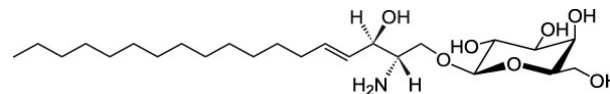
LysoGlucosylceramide

LysoGl1

LysoHexosylceramide



LysoGalactosylceramide (Psychosine)



LysoGlucosylceramide

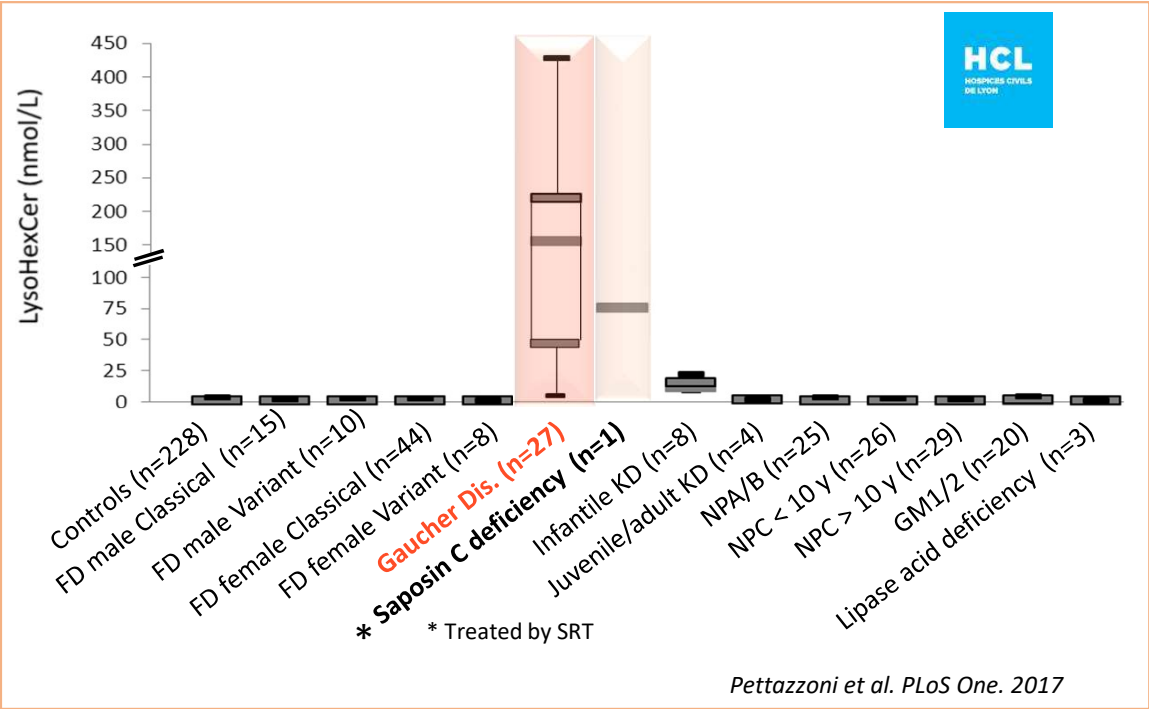
Psychosine < 3% of LysoHerCer in controls  
Chuang et al, clin chim acta 2019

isomeric compounds



# Gaucher disease

LysoHexCer (LysoGb1): the most specific and sensitive biomarker for the diagnosis than chitotriosidase or CCL18

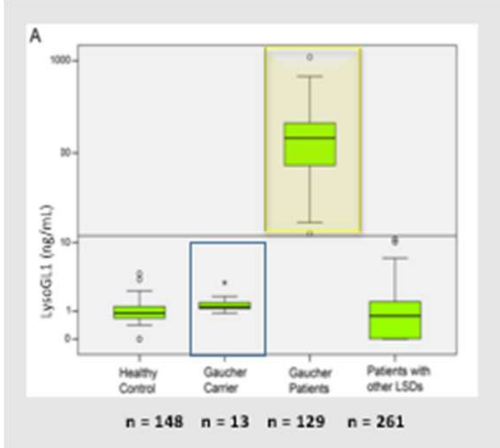


- Sensitive:** Highly elevated in Gaucher, large range of values, sometimes very moderately
- Elevated in case of **saposin C deficiency** (Dekker et al 2001, Motta et al 2016, Pettazzoni et al 2017), **LIMP2 deficiency** (Dubot P et al 2022 Jan;94:124-126)
- Specific:** Not elevated in other LSD, in carriers (Pettazzoni et al 2017, Dekker et al, 2001, Rolfs et al. PLoS One 2013) with or without Parkinson disease (Dinur et al Int. J. Mol. Sci. 2022)

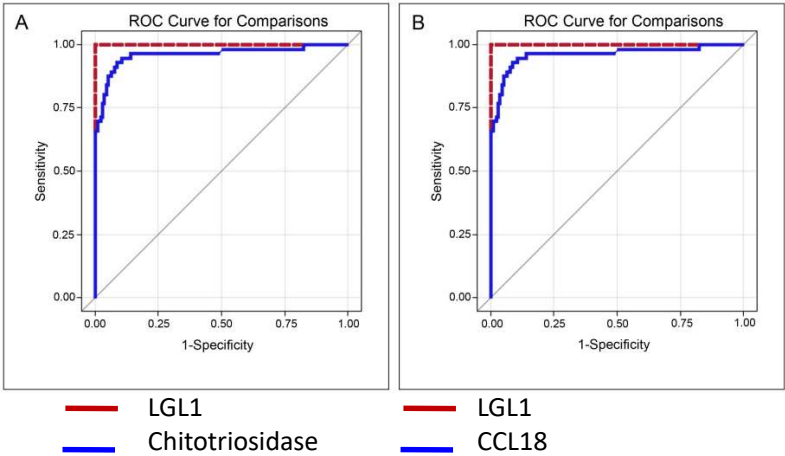
## e-Blood

Elevated plasma glucosylsphingosine in Gaucher disease: relation to phenotype, storage cell markers, and therapeutic response

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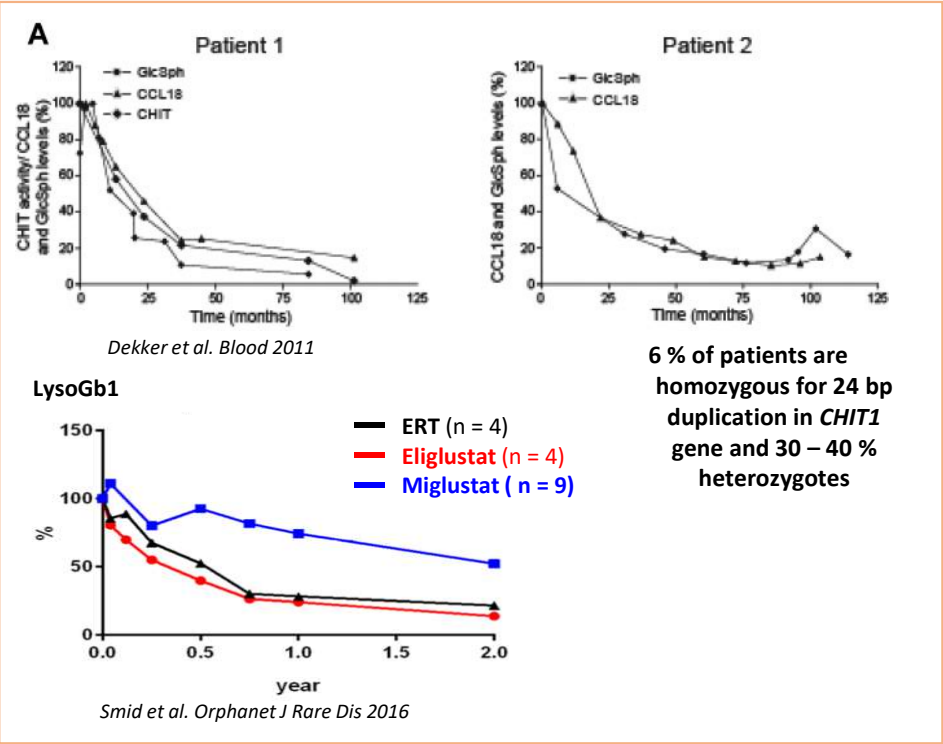
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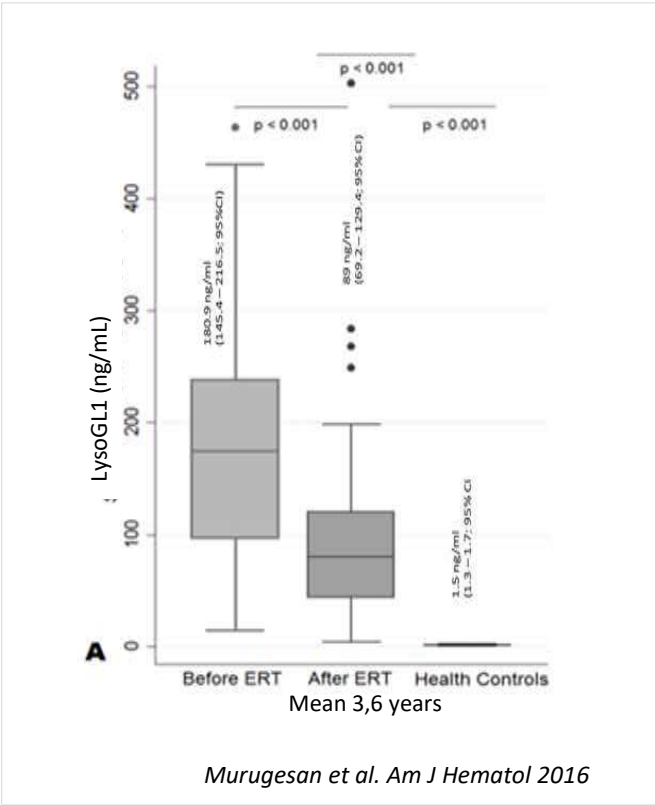


# Gaucher disease

Reliable response biomarker (ERT or SRT)



Decreases under treatment  
Correlation with chitotriosidase and CCL18  
( = indirect and non specific biomarkers)



LGL1 levels decrease after  
Enzyme Replacement Therapy (ERT)



# Gaucher disease

LysoGb1: correlated with visceral and haematological parameters <sup>(1-3)</sup>

NOT correlated with skeletal disease <sup>(1, 7)</sup>

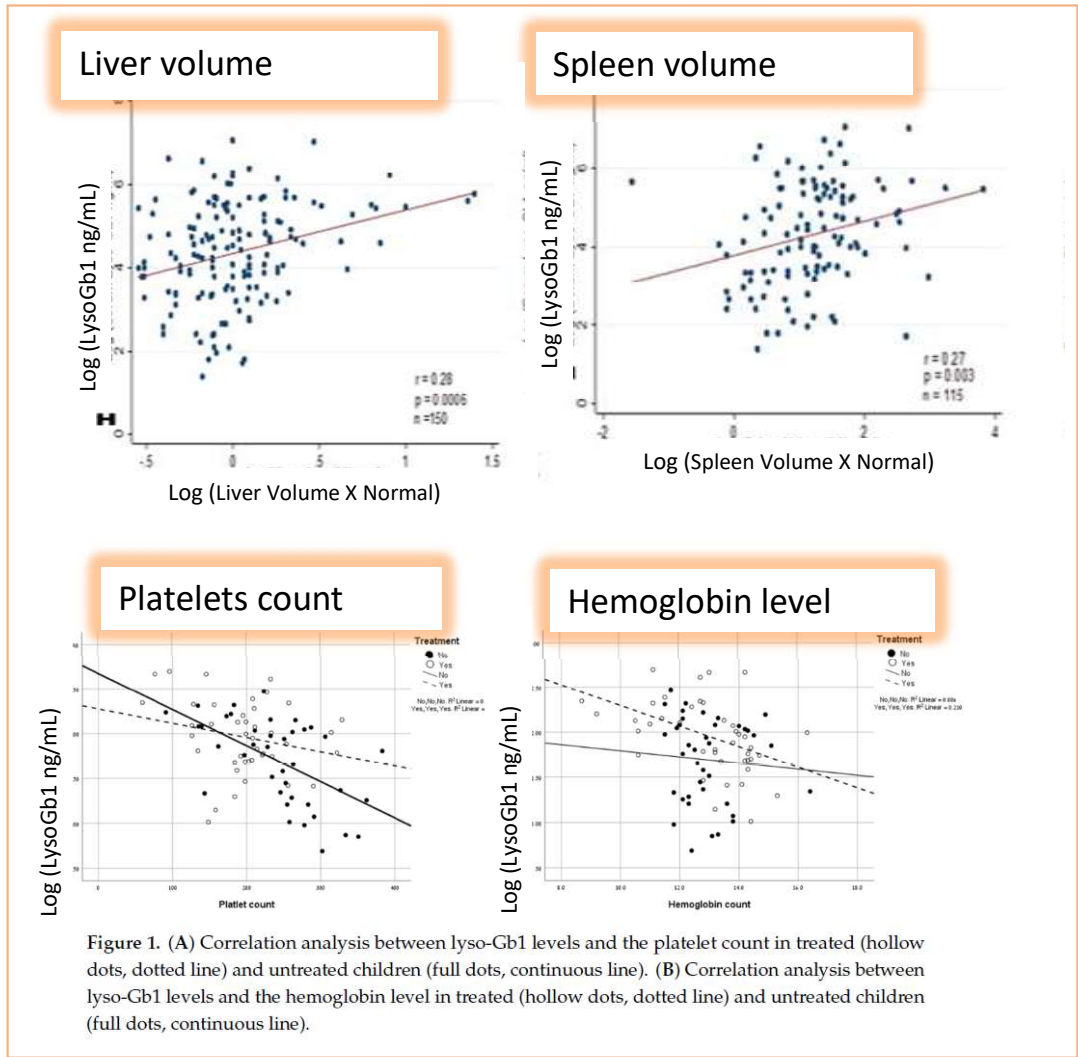
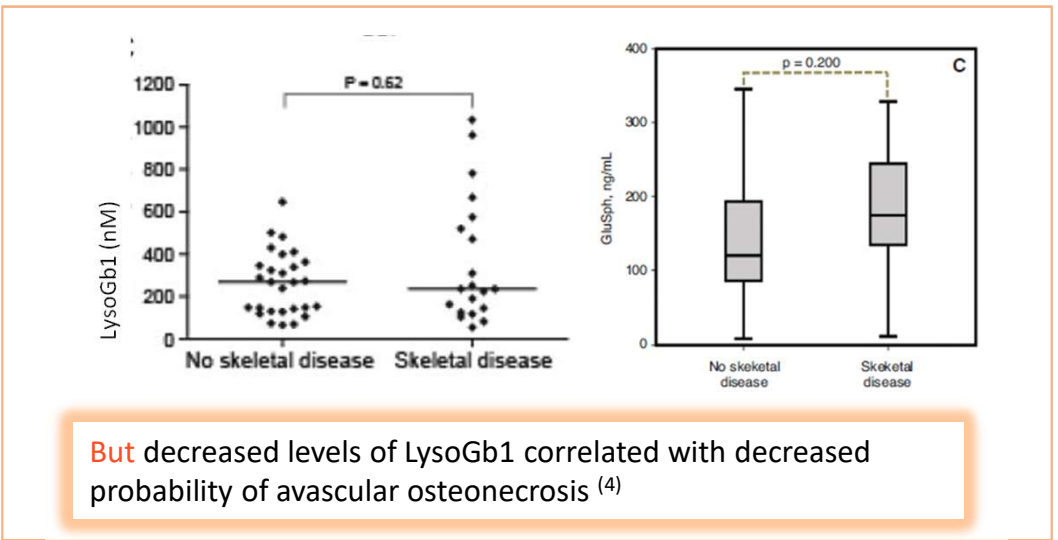
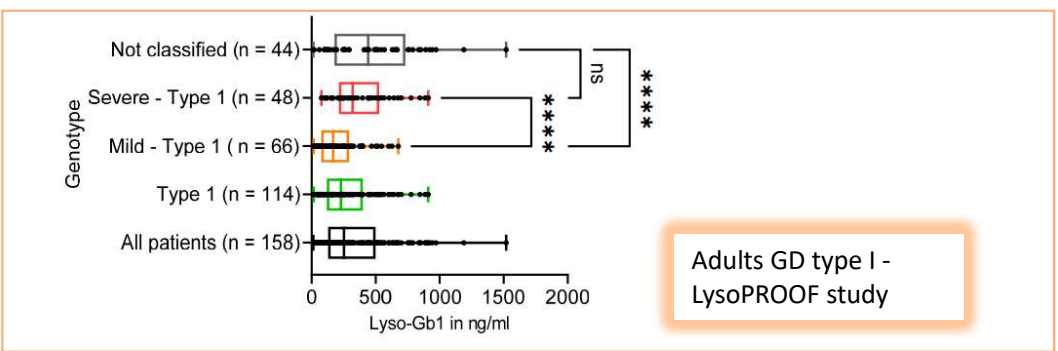


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LysoGb1: correlated with SEVERITY in pediatric, and adult population <sup>(5,6)</sup>

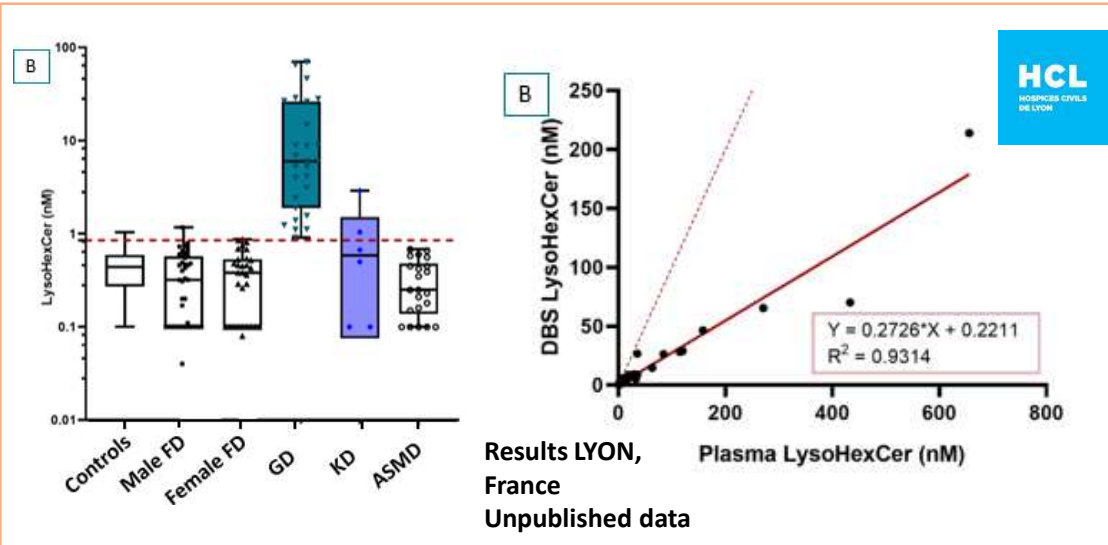
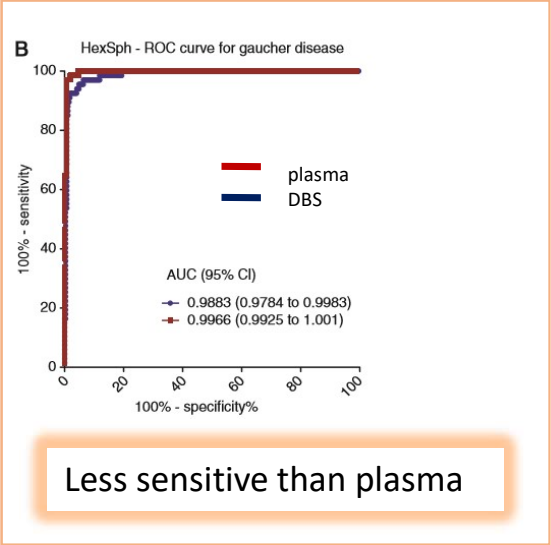


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# Gaucher disease

LysoGb1 in Dried blood spots: good correlation with plasma but less sensitive



All GD patients had elevation of LysoGb1 in DBS (n=30)

Correlated with paired plasma ( $R^2=0.93$ )

Polo et al Clin Chem Lab Med 2019

LysoGb1 in DBS: First tier analysis for diagnosis  
Combined with GBA gene analysis for diagnosis confirmation

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## LysoGb1 levels in plasma as a treatment decision criteria



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**Table 4.** Suggested updated criteria for initiation of Gaucher disease-specific treatment.


Israeli Ministry of Health Criteria for Imiglucerase, 1998 [28]	Suggested Updated Criteria for ERT/SRT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A family history in a sibling with a rapid acceleration in the course of the disease.</li></ul>	When symptomatic or <b>high lyso-Gb1 *</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Age of onset of signs or symptoms of the disease below 5 years of age</li></ul>	Age is not a criterion by itself
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>At any age, enlargement of the spleen and liver is accompanied by signs of hypersplenism, abnormal liver function tests, or other complications</li></ul>	Stays as is
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Hypersplenism expressed as serious pancytopenia: hemoglobin below 9 g%, white count below 3000/mm<sup>3</sup>, platelet count of 50,000/mm<sup>3</sup> or less, in consecutive blood tests during a three-month approximated</li></ul>	Gaucher-related significant, symptomatic cytopenia and/or bleeding disorder, <b>irrespective of lyso-Gb1 levels</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Symptomatic anemia which is not the result of iron deficiency or due to other causes unrelated to Gaucher disease, or thrombocytopenia with a tendency to bleeding, or a consistently decreasing platelet count.</li></ul>	Redundant

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BUT

## LysoGb1 intraindividual variability in DBS: a limitation for treatment follow-up ?





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### Long- and Short-Term Glucosphingosine (lyso-Gb1) Dynamics in Gaucher Patients Undergoing Enzyme Replacement Therapy

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Eight years follow up of lyso-Gb1

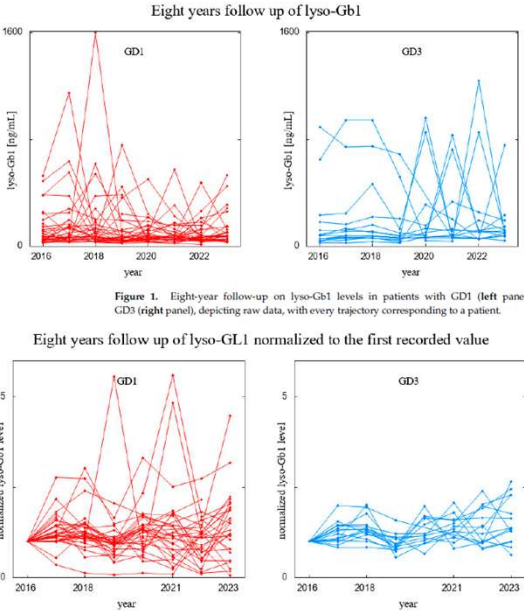
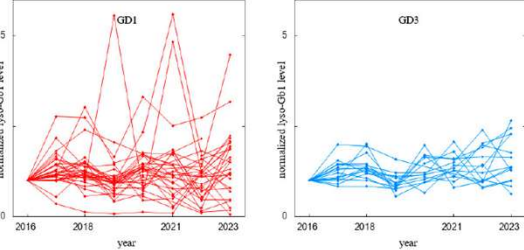


Figure 1. Eight-year follow-up on lyso-Gb1 levels in patients with GD1 (left panel) and GD3 (right panel), depicting raw data, with every trajectory corresponding to a patient.

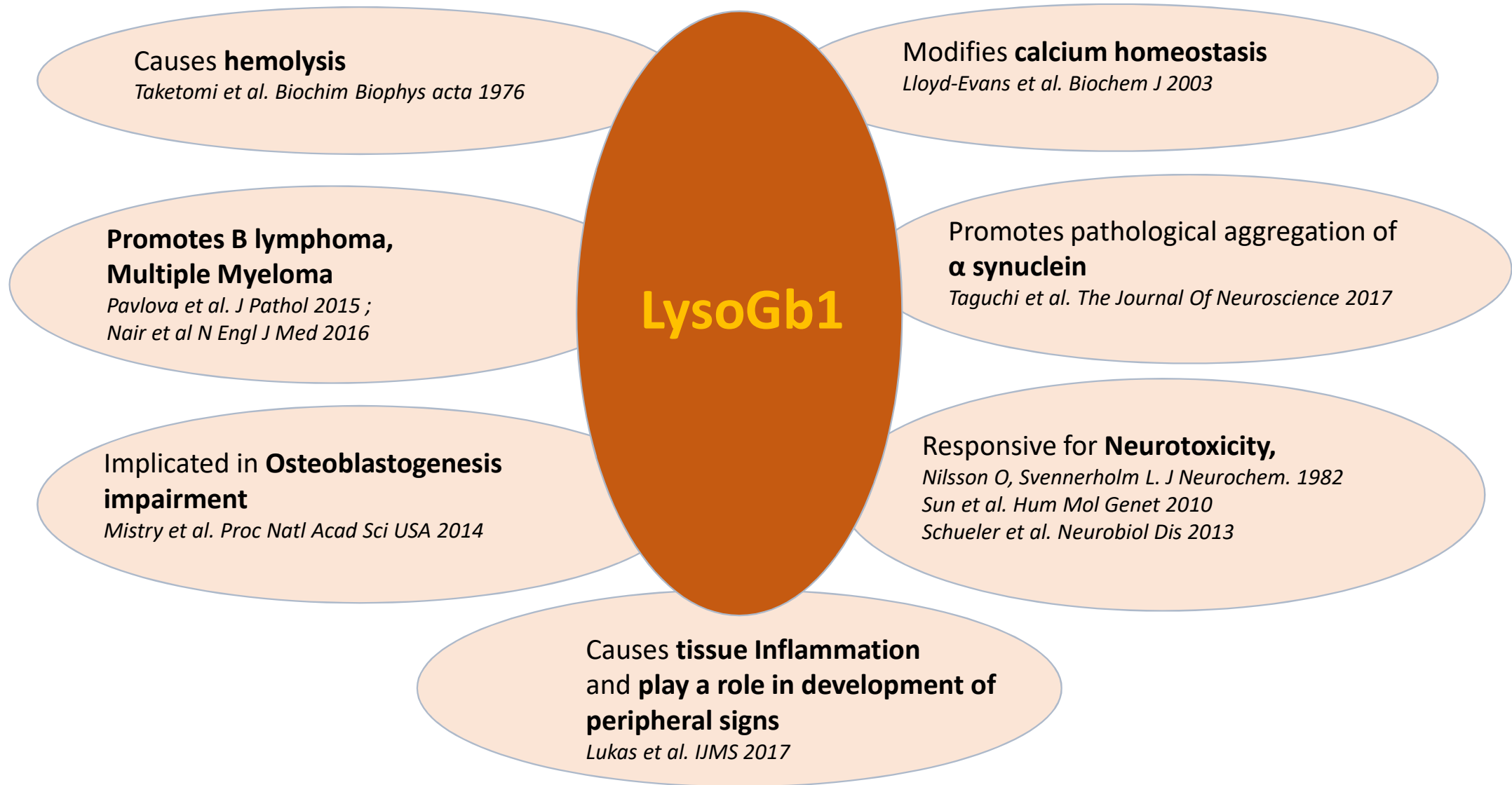
Eight years follow up of lyso-Gb1 normalized to the first recorded value



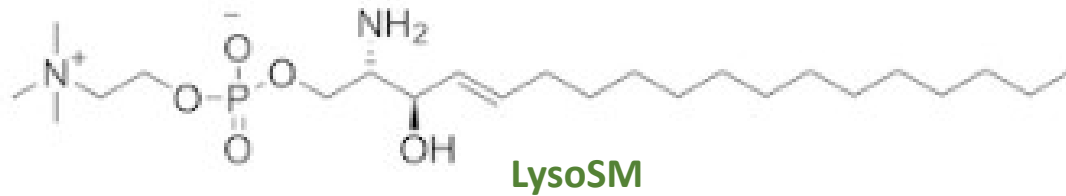
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# Lysogluosylceramide (LysoGb1): role in pathophysiology





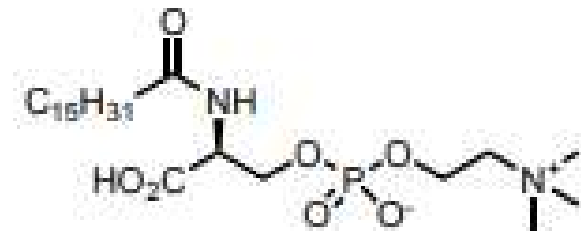


Lysosphingomyelin (LysoSM) and LysoSM509/PPCS:  
biomarkers of Acid SphingoMyelinase Deficiency  
(ASMD / Niemann-Pick type A,B or AB)

**LysoSM**

**Sphingosylphosphorylcholine**

**SPC**

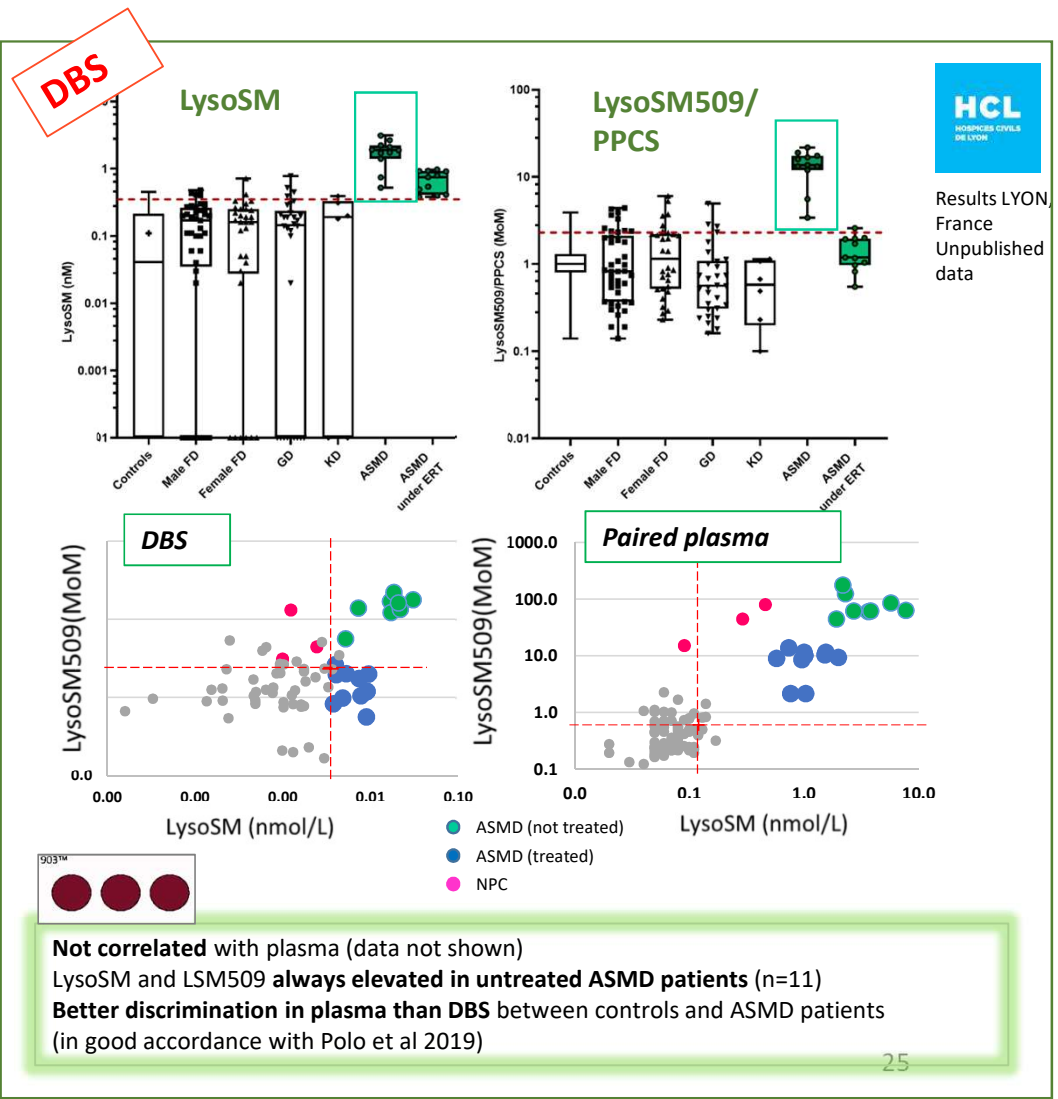
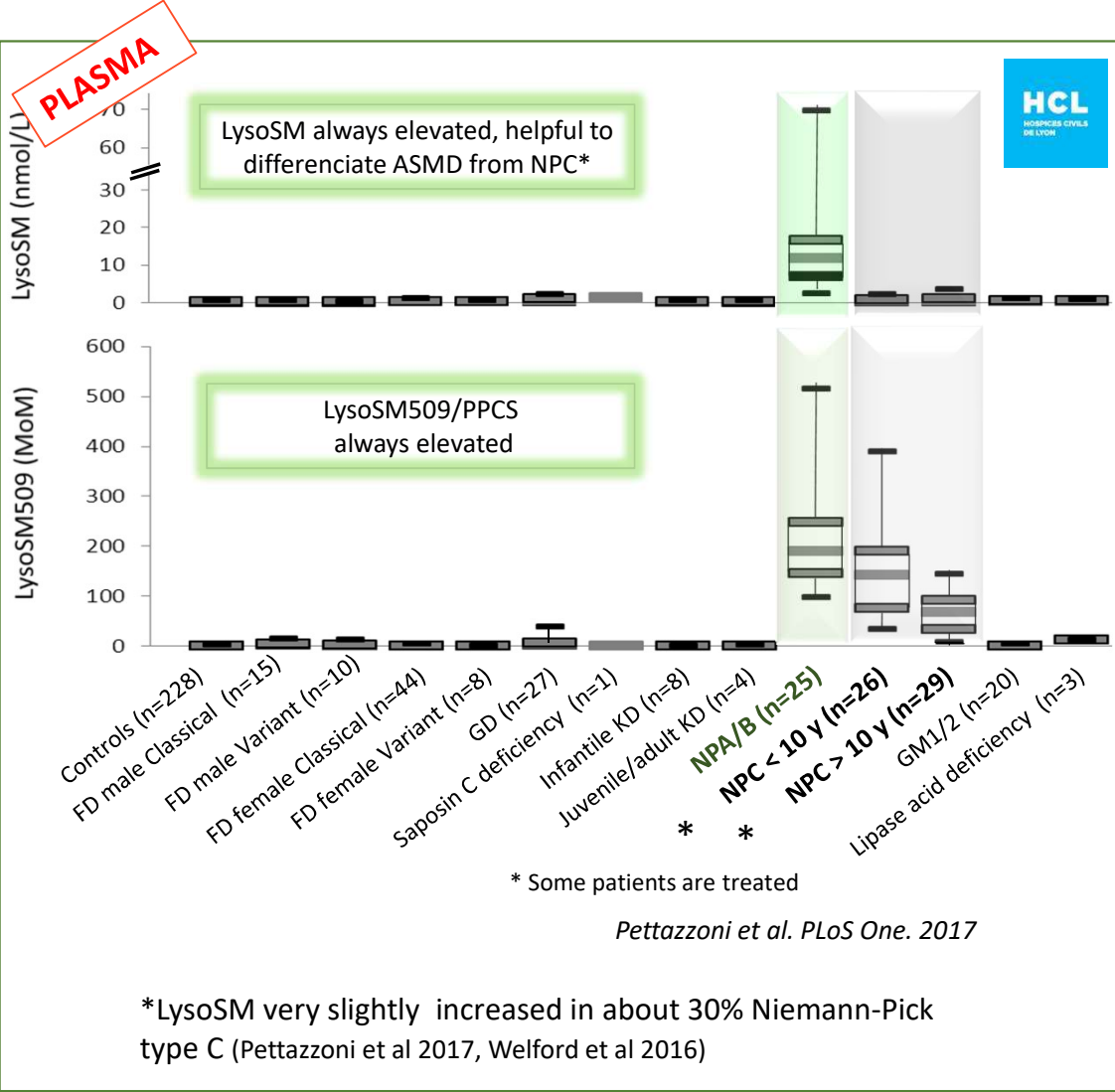


**LysoSM509 /  
N-palmitoyl-O-phosphocholineserine  
(PPCS)**



# Acid SphingoMyelinase Deficiency (ASMD – Niemann-Pick A, AB and B)

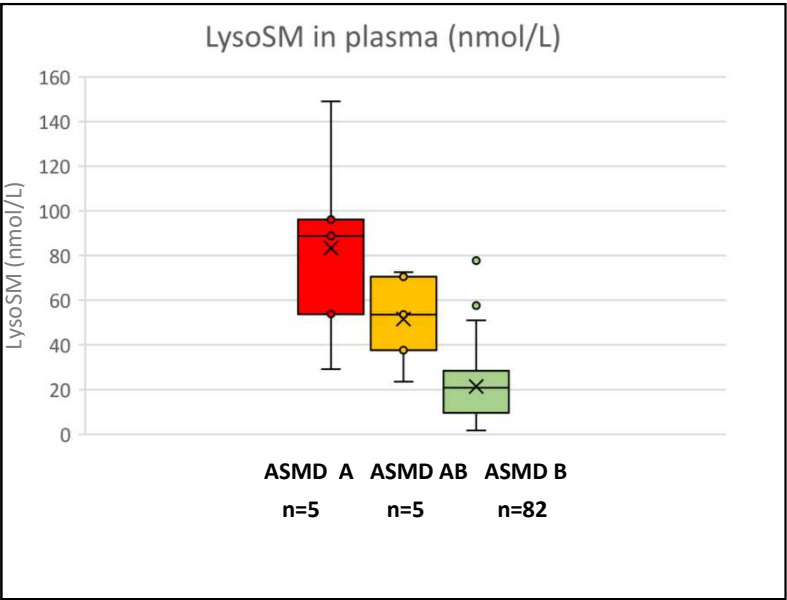
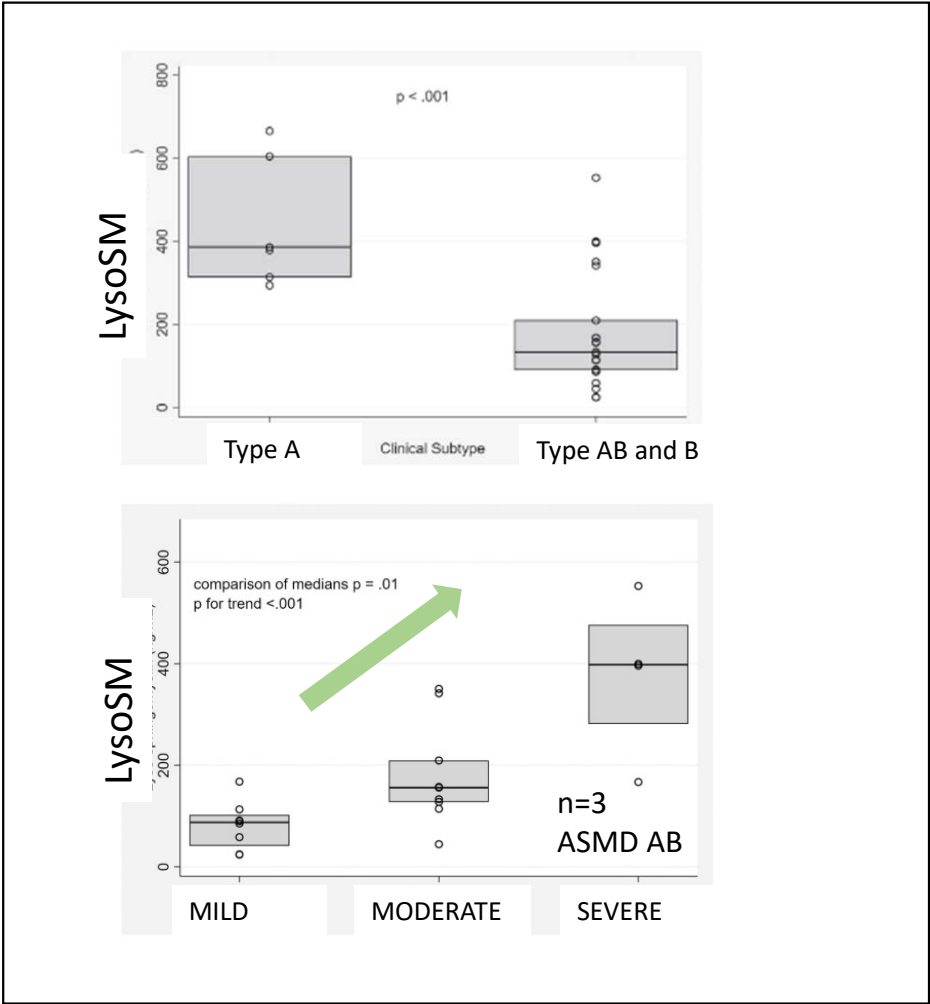
LysoSM and LysoSM509 increase allows orientation to ASMD





# Acid SphingoMyelinase Deficiency (ASMD – Niemann-Pick A, AB and B)

## LysoSM in plasma correlates with clinical subtype and severity



All ASMD patients (n=92) have elevated LysoSM in plasma at diagnosis

LysoSM higher in type A and AB compared to type B, with an overlap

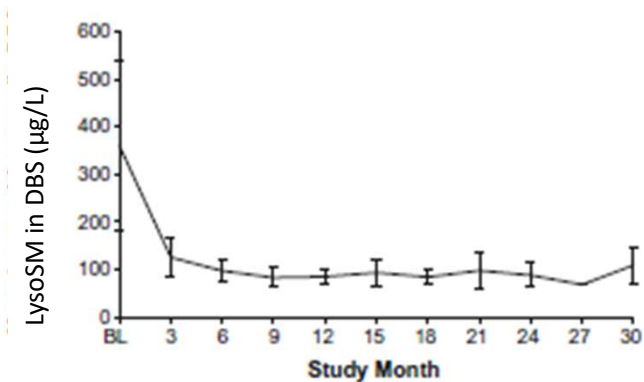
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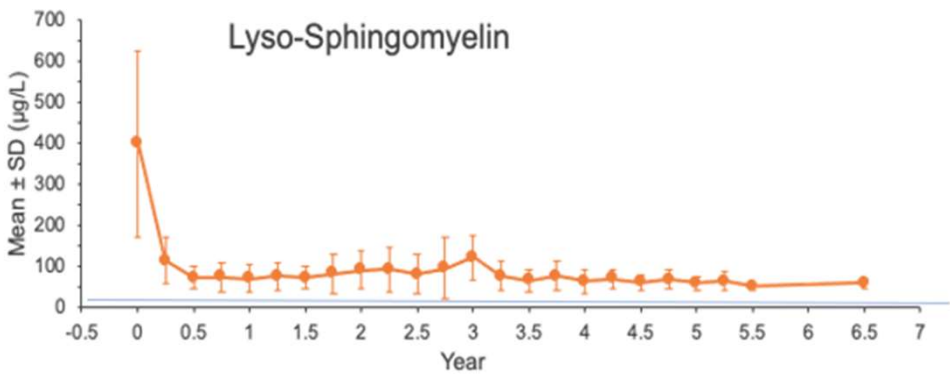


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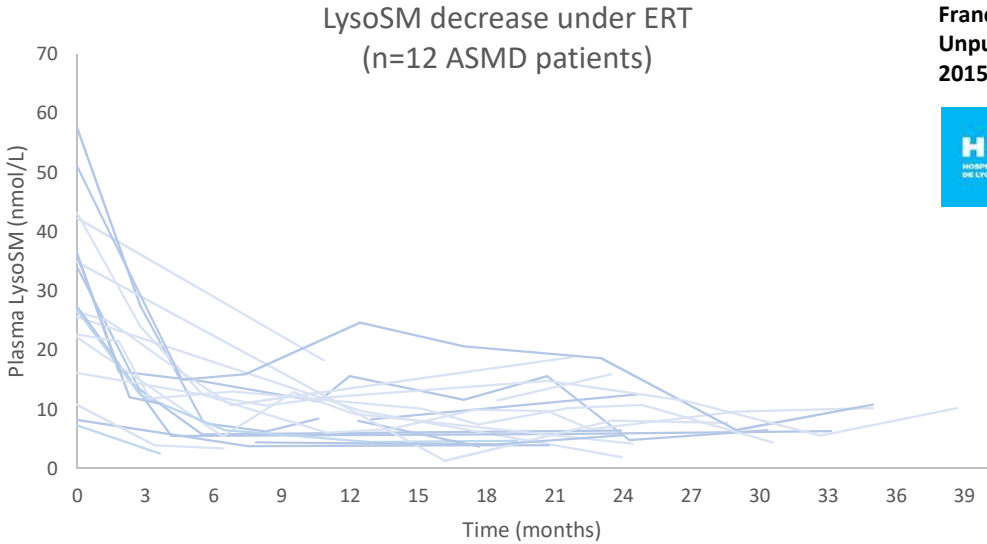
## LysoSM as a biomarker of treatment follow-up (ERT)



Wasserstein et al J Inherit Metab Dis. 2018 Sep;41(5):829-838.



Lachmann et al. Orphanet J Rare Dis. 2023 Apr 25;18(1):94.



LysoSM decrease under ERT  
(n=12 ASMD patients)

Results LYON,  
France  
Unpublished data  
2015-2024





# Conclusion



- Lysosphingolipids multiplex measurement by MSMS in plasma  
= Efficient and rapid biochemical screening tool



- ✓ **Useful for diagnosis purpose: Sensitive and Specific biomarkers**  
Better screening of Fabry females than alphaGalA activity or urinary Gb3  
*But possibly normal screening (Fabry females: variant cases), mild forms ?*
- ✓ **Related with the severity** of the disease
- ✓ **Differential screening of ASMD, NPC and Gaucher disease** in the same run
- ✓ Useful for the **monitoring** of patients under treatment (ERT, SRT, Chaperon therapy) and **therapeutic decisions**
- ✓ **In connection with pathophysiology**

PLASMA



- Lysosphingolipid measurement in DBS

- ✓ **Second-tier test** after enzymatic studies in the same DBS sample (routin diagnosis or newborn screening programs)
- ✓ Might be the **first diagnostic step** (Gaucher disease) **BUT less sensitive than plasma:**  
Normal values should be interpreted with caution (false negative results in mild clinical forms?)
- ✓ **Would facilitate the patient follow-up compared to plasma BUT great intra-individual variability**  
=> More studies are needed, interest of analogues ?

DBS





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