



aHUS Solving the Puzzle



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History

- 45 y/o male
- PMH: HTN, Family Hx of ESRD



Clinical presentation

- CKD bl cr 2 [2019 -2021]
- Severe HTN Emergency
- RFT deteriorated rapidly (cr 3 >> 8)



Labs

- Hb 8.8 (NN) , plt normal
- LDH 445 , U.ACR 0.9 g/day
- ANA, Anti dsDNA negative, C3 & C4 normal



Renal Biopsy

Chronic Thrombotic Microangiopathy with
Focal Dominant C3 Deposits

Renal Biopsy;

Light Microscopic and Immunoperoxidase Findings are Compatible with:

- **Chronic Thrombotic Microangiopathy with Focal Dominant C3 Deposits.** See Comment

- **Additional Features: Focal Global Glomerulosclerosis (35%), Mild Interstitial fibrosis and tubular atrophy (15%), Mild Arteriosclerosis and Moderate Arteriolar Hyalinosis**

Light Microscopy: Examination of serial sections prepared from the biopsy received revealed renal cortical and corticomedullary tissue.

Twelve (12) glomeruli were seen, in serial sections examined, out of which 4 were globally sclerosed. The glomeruli showed mild to moderate mesangial matrix increase with mild hypercellularity, focal few intracapillary leucocytes and frequent mild capillary basement membrane thickening with segmental peripheral duplication.

Tubules showed patchy mild atrophic changes.

Interstitium showed focal mild fibrosis (15% of submitted tissue).

Arteries showed mild intimal sclerosis. Arterioles showed moderate hyalinosis.

Congo red: Examination of congo red stained sections viewed under polarized light revealed no amyloid deposits.

Immunohistochemistry: Serial sections on charged slides were treated for anti IgA, IgG, kappa and lambda and C3 antibodies.

IgA: negative IgG: negative

C3: Focal segmental mesangial and GBM deposits (+2-3)

Kappa and Lambda: negative

Genetic analysis report

Indication Renal disease; focal C3 deposits, rapid development to end stage renal disease

Order Sequence analysis: *CFH* gene

RESULTS

- Detection of a likely pathogenic variant in gene *CFH*, which is associated with complement factor H deficiency and consistent with your patient's symptoms assuming autosomal dominant inheritance.

Gene	Variant	Zygotity	Heredity	MAF (%)	Classification
<i>CFH</i>	c.3531T>G; p.Tyr1177*	het.	AD, AR	-	likely pathogenic

CFH, c.3531T>G; p.Tyr1177* (het.), NM_000186.4

OMIM / Reference	Phenotype	Heredity
609814	Complement factor H deficiency	AD, AR
235400	{Hemolytic uremic syndrome, atypical, susceptibility to, 1}	AD, AR
126700	Basal laminar drusen	AD
610698	{Macular degeneration, age-related, 4}	AD

33y, female, ACR 4 gm, S.Cr 2.3 mg/dl, UA: RBCs 60-70, +ve ANA, -ve ADNA, C3: 75

Light Microscopy: Examination of serial sections prepared from the biopsy received revealed renal corticomedullary tissue.

Nine (9) glomeruli were seen, not represented in all serial sections examined, out of which 2 were globally sclerosed. The patent glomeruli showed thickened capillary basement membranes with segmental peripheral duplication, focal endocapillary hypercellularity and focal mild mesangial proliferation. Four (4) glomeruli showed cellular crescents. Two (2) glomeruli showed segmental tuft sclerosis.

Tubules showed mild injury.

Interstitium showed moderate lymphocytic infiltrate.

Arteries and arterioles were unremarkable.

Congo red: Examination of congo red stained sections viewed under polarized light revealed no amyloid deposits.

Immunohistochemistry: Serial sections on charged slides were treated for anti IgA, IgG and C3 antibodies. Examination revealed:

IgA: negative.

IgG: negative.

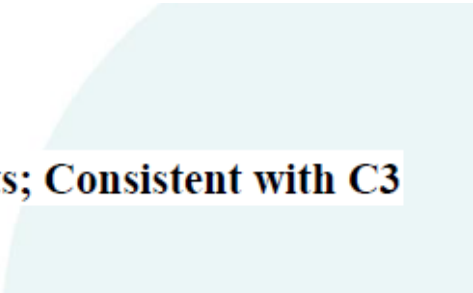
C3: GBM and mesangial deposits (2+).

Electron Microscopy: Ultrastructural examination revealed diffuse thickening of glomerular capillary basement membranes with extensive subendothelial electron-dense deposits as well as frequent subepithelial humps. The overlying podocytes showed widespread foot process effacement. The mesangial areas showed expansion by the same deposits. The endothelium showed injury.

Diagnosis:

Renal Biopsy;

Membranoproliferative Glomerulonephritis with 40% Crescents; Consistent with C3 Dominant Glomerulonephritis



CLINICAL INFORMATION

Abnormal renal morphology; Acute kidney injury; Anemia; Chronic kidney disease; Glomerular C3 deposition; Hemolytic anemia; Proteinuria

(Clinical information indicated above follows HPO nomenclature.)

Family history: Unknown.

Consanguineous parents: No.



RISK FACTOR IDENTIFIED

INTERPRETATION

By NGS-CNV analysis and MLPA confirmation, a homozygous disease-associated deletion encompassing the entire *CFHR1* and *CFHR3* genes was identified. **The increased genetic susceptibility to atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome is confirmed.**

No further clinically relevant variant was identified.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Clinical evaluation to assess the phenotypic overlap with the detected variants is recommended.
- For broader genetic testing, proceeding to exome or genome sequencing can be considered.
- Genetic counselling is recommended.

MAIN FINDINGS

COPY NUMBER VARIATIONS

CNV DESCRIPTION*	SIZE (KB)	GENE COUNT**	INTERPRETATION***	RELATED DISORDER
seq[GRCh37] 1q31.3(196743986_196801129)x0	57 kb	2	Pathogenic	Hemolytic uremic syndrome, atypical, susceptibility to

* according to ISCN 2020; ** genes are listed below; *** according to ACMG 2020, modified

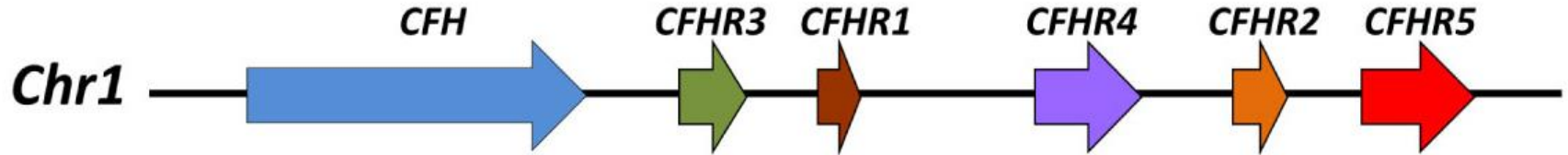
GENES INCLUDED IN THE DETECTED CNVs:

CNV DESCRIPTION*	RefSeq GENES
seq[GRCh37] 1q31.3(196743986_196801129)x0	CFHR1, CFHR3

* according to ISCN 2020

GENE (TRANSCRIPT, METHOD)	OUTCOME
CFHR1 (NM_002113.3; MLPA)	one-copy loss encompassing entire gene
CFHR3 (NM_021023.6; MLPA)	one-copy loss encompassing entire gene

- The most important regulator of the alternative pathway is factor H (CFH)



The CFHR genes arose as a result of genomic duplication and because of the high sequence homology, the region is prone to non-allelic homologous recombination, a process that can result in gene deletion, duplication and rearrangement.

Genetic variant occurring in over 1% of the population are termed 'polymorphisms'

SEVERAL INHERITED AND ACQUIRED ABNORMALITIES CAUSE C3G/HUS

- Genetic causes include pathogenetic mutations in complement-related genes, such as C3, CFB, CFH, CFI, and CFHR
- Acquired abnormalities are associated with development of autoantibodies against complement proteins and complexes; for example, C3 nephritic factor (C3NeF) that targets C3 convertase, C5NeF that targets C5 convertase, anti-CFH autoantibodies, and anti-CFB autoantibodies

Complement mediated kidney disease

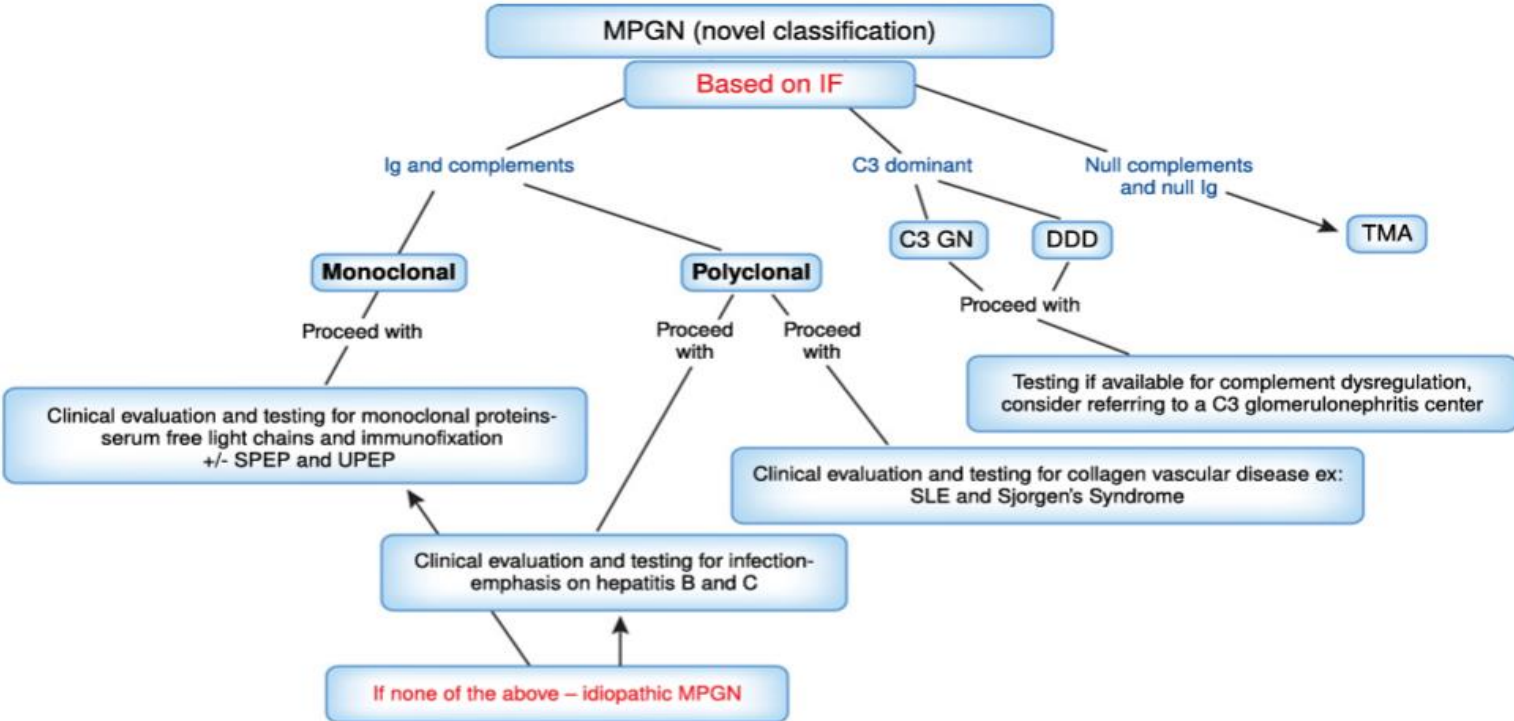


Figure 2. | Simplistic breakdown of the new MPGN classification using immunofluorescence as the basis and an approach to evaluation when the kidney biopsy indicated MPGN. DDD, dense deposit disease; IF, immunofluorescence; SPEP, serum protein electrophoresis; TMA, thrombotic microangiopathy; UPEP, urine protein electrophoresis.

TABLE 22.1 Causes of a Membranoproliferative Pattern of Glomerular Injury

Immune complex mediated, monoclonal immunoglobulin mediated	Deposition of immune complexes as a result of an infection	<p>Viral: hepatitis B and C</p> <p>Bacterial: endocarditis, infected ventriculoatrial shunt, visceral abscesses, leprosy, meningococcal meningitis</p> <p>Protozoa/other infections: malaria, schistosomiasis, mycoplasma, leishmaniasis</p>
	Deposition of immune complexes as a result of an autoimmune disease	<p>Systemic lupus erythematosus</p> <p>Sjögren syndrome</p> <p>Rheumatoid arthritis</p>
	Deposition of monoclonal immunoglobulin as a result of a monoclonal gammopathy	Plasma cell or B-cell disorder
Complement-mediated (C3 glomerulonephritis and dense deposit disease)	Mutations in complement-regulating proteins CFH, CFI, CFHR5	
	Antibodies to complement regulating proteins C3/C4 nephritic factor, antibodies against CFH, CFI, or CFB	
	<p>Mutations in complement factors C3, CFB</p> <p>Monoclonal gammopathy</p>	
Non-immunoglobulin mediated, non-complement mediated	<p>Healing phase of HUS/TTP</p> <p>Antiphospholipid (anticardiolipin) antibodies syndrome</p> <p>POEMS syndrome</p> <p>Radiation nephritis</p> <p>Nephropathy associated with bone marrow transplantation</p> <p>Drug-associated thrombotic microangiopathies</p> <p>Sickle cell anemia and polycythemia</p> <p>Dysfibrinogenemia and other prothrombotic states</p> <p>Transplant glomerulopathy</p>	
Idiopathic	None of the conditions previously mentioned present	

Complement mediated kidney disease

Table 1 | Atypical haemolytic-uraemic syndrome and C3 glomerulopathy

Parameter	aHUS ²⁰³	C3G ²⁰⁴
Clinical course	Acute	Chronic
Incidence	0.2–1.9/million/year ²⁰⁵	1–3/million/year ²⁰⁶
Associated infectious disease	Shiga toxin-producing <i>Escherichia coli</i> infection associated with haemolytic-uraemic syndrome	Post-infectious glomerulonephritis
Complement activation phase	Endothelial cell and/or glycocalyx	Fluid phase and/or glomerular basement membrane
Triggers	Autoimmunity, transplantation, pregnancy, infections, drugs and metabolic disease ²⁰⁷	Infection ^{65,208}
Kidney failure	60–70% without complement inhibition; 10–15% with complement inhibition ^{203,209}	50% at 10 years ⁶⁷
Post-transplant recurrence	Variable; depends on genetic risk factors ²¹⁰	Very high ²⁰⁴
Extrarenal manifestations	Systemic thrombotic microangiopathy; retinal drusen are rare	Partial lipodystrophy ²¹¹ , retinal drusen ²¹²
C3 levels	Low in 30–50% of patients ²¹³	Low in up to 75% of patients ^{67,214}
Acquired drivers	Anti-factor H autoantibodies ²¹⁵	Nephritic factors ²¹⁶ , anti-factor H autoantibodies ²¹⁵ , monoclonal immunoglobulin ^{53,217}

aHUS, atypical haemolytic-uraemic syndrome; C3G, C3 glomerulopathy.

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OVERVIEW OF aHUS



WHAT IS aHUS?¹⁻¹¹

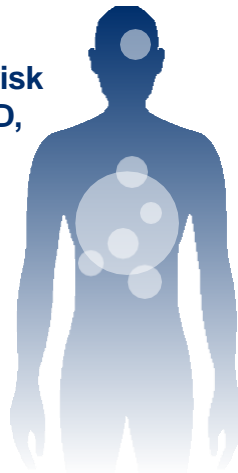
aHUS is caused by genetic abnormalities that result in chronic, uncontrolled complement activation, leading to complement-mediated TMA in the presence or absence of an identified trigger¹⁻³



Patients with aHUS may be at continual risk of subsequent TMA manifestations, ESRD, and/or death without a timely diagnosis and appropriate management⁴⁻⁶



Extrarenal manifestations may occur in patients with aHUS, including signs and symptoms of the CV, GI, visual, central nervous, and pulmonary systems⁷⁻⁹



A clinical diagnosis is required for aHUS, using diagnostic tests available for other causes of TMA^{10,11}



Involvement of a multidisciplinary team for diagnosis is advantageous to identify the various signs and symptoms of aHUS rapidly and provide patient-centric management and monitoring^{3,5}



aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; **CV**, cardiovascular; **ESRD**, end-stage renal disease; **GI**, gastrointestinal; **TMA**, thrombotic microangiopathy.

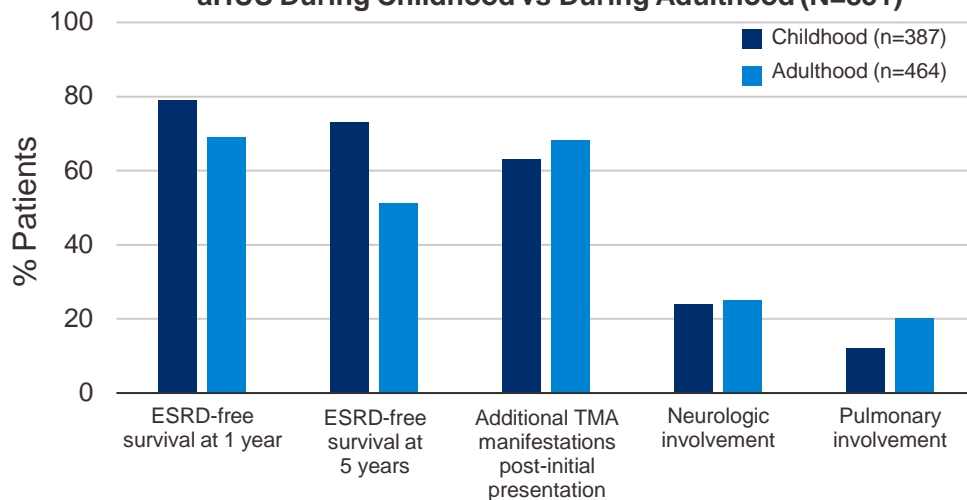
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THE GLOBAL aHUS REGISTRY¹⁻⁴

- The Global aHUS Registry, initiated in April 2012, is an observational, noninterventional, multicenter registry designed to prospectively collect demographic characteristics, medical and disease history, treatment effectiveness, and safety outcomes data for patients with aHUS¹
- Both adults and children diagnosed with aHUS have been enrolled¹
- Extrarenal manifestations were more frequent in patients who were in the initial presenting phase (19%-38%) compared with those in the chronic phase (12%-23%)²

As of January 2020, 351 clinical sites in 23 countries had enrolled 1858 patients in the Global aHUS Registry^{3,4}

Disease Characteristics in Patients Presenting With aHUS During Childhood vs During Adulthood (N=851)²



Graph recreated from Schaefer F, et al. *Kidney Int.* 2018;94(2):408-418.

aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; **ESRD**, end-stage renal disease; **TMA**, thrombotic microangiopathy.

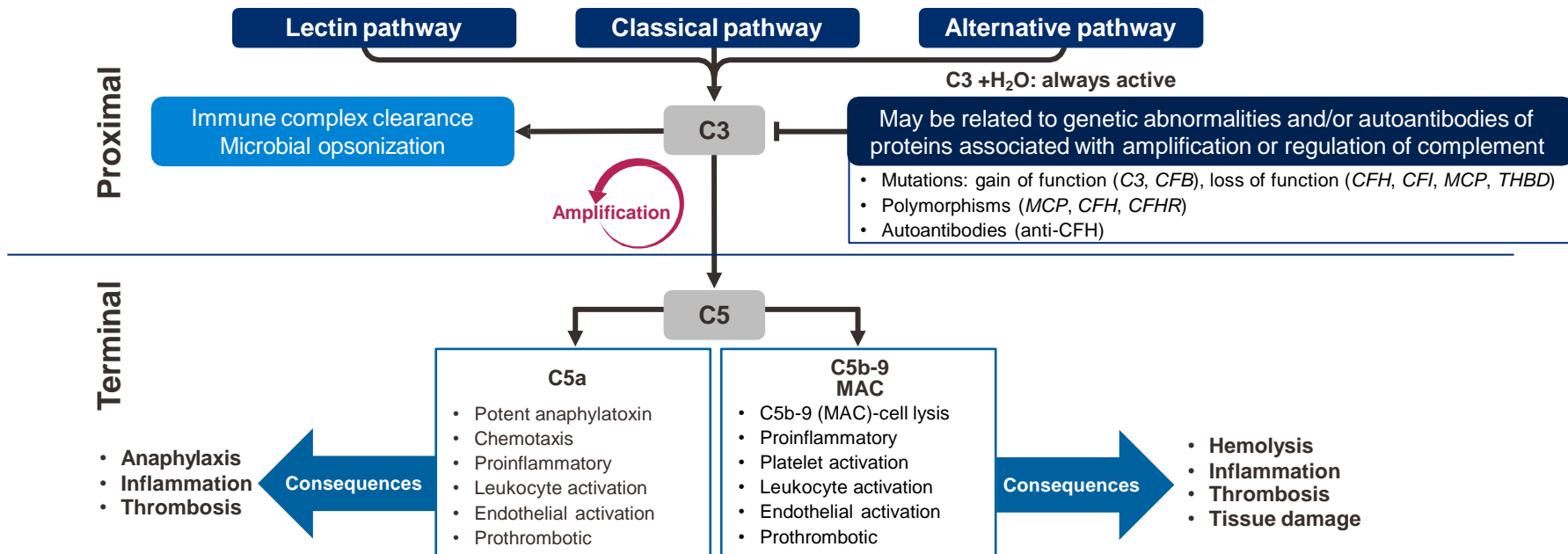
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THE COMPLEMENT SYSTEM IN THE PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF aHUS



aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome.

UNCONTROLLED COMPLEMENT ACTIVATION IN aHUS¹⁻⁷



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VASCULAR INJURY IN PATIENTS WITH aHUS¹

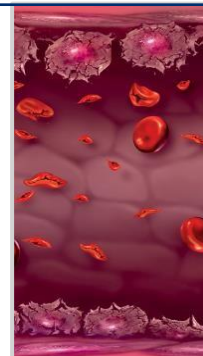
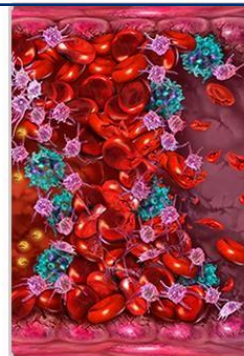
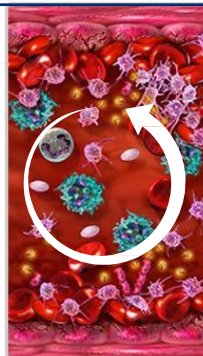
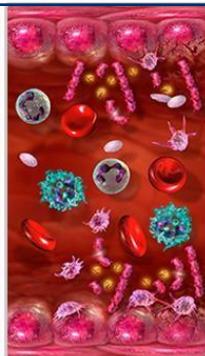
Role of complement dysregulation in aHUS

Baseline complement levels are elevated²

Amplified complement activation²

Complement-mediated TMA²

Progressive organ damage¹



Endothelium effects

Endothelial activation^{1,2}

Endothelial injury¹

Clinical TMA and obstruction of blood flow to organs¹

Ischemia and multiorgan failure¹



Red blood cell

Platelet



Activated platelet



Leukocyte



Activated leukocyte



vWF



Prothrombotic factors



Schistocyte

aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; TMA, thrombotic microangiopathy; vWF, von Willebrand factor.

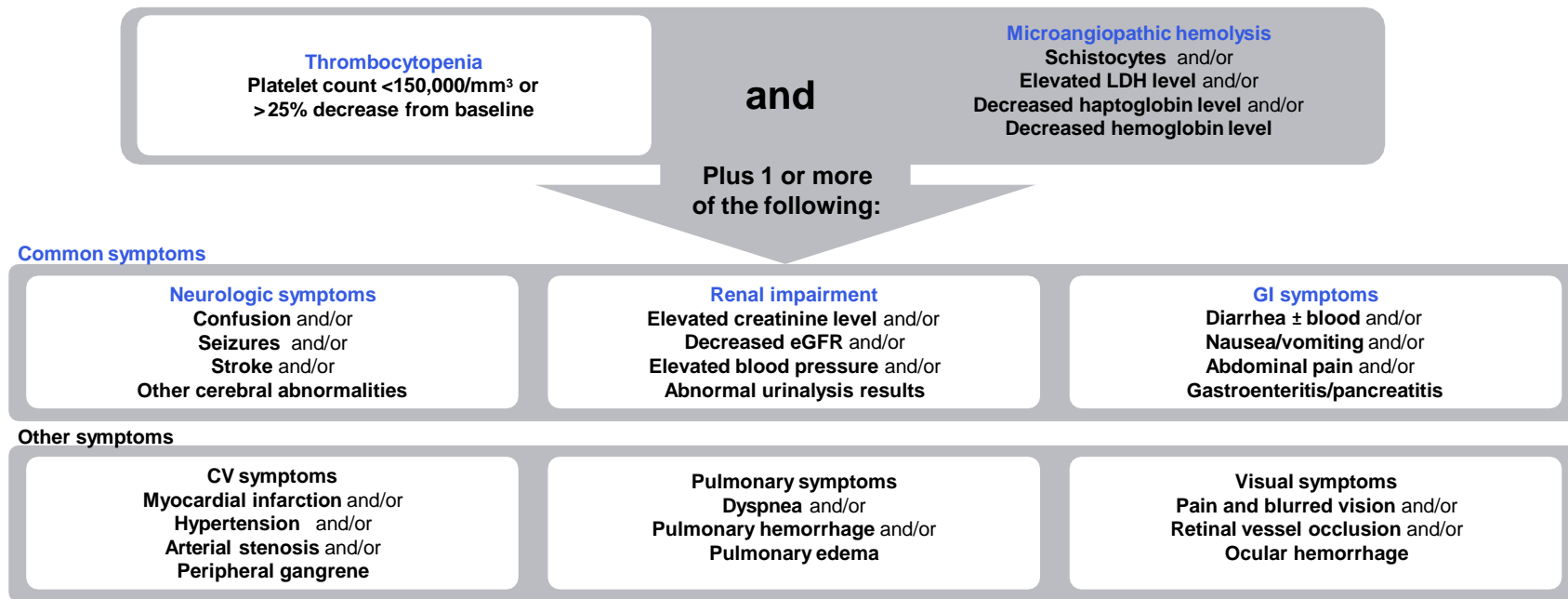
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DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF aHUS



aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome.

THROMBOCYTOPENIA, MICROANGIOPATHIC HEMOLYSIS, AND ORGAN DYSFUNCTION IN TMA¹⁻⁴

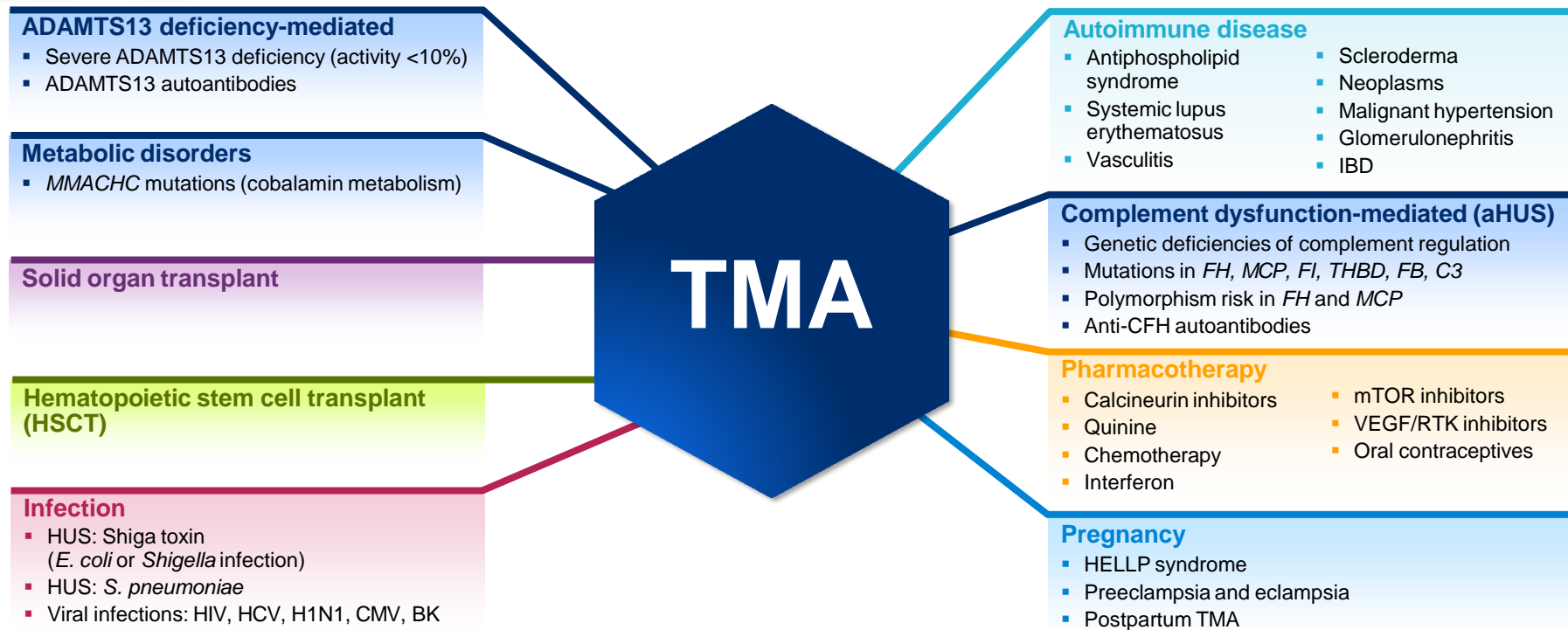


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POTENTIAL CAUSES OF TMA¹⁻⁴



ADAMTS13, a disintegrin and metalloproteinase with a thrombospondin type 1 motif, member 13; **aHUS**, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; **BK**, BK polyomavirus; **C3**, complement component 3; **CFH**, complement factor H; **CMV**, cytomegalovirus; **FB**, complement factor B; **FH**, complement factor H; **FI**, complement factor I; **HCV**, hepatitis C virus; **HELLP**, hemolysis, elevated liver enzymes, low platelets; **HIV**, human immunodeficiency virus; **H1N1**, influenza A virus; **HUS**, hemolytic uremic syndrome; **IBD**, inflammatory bowel disorder; **MCP**, membrane cofactor protein; **MMACHC**, methylmalonic aciduria and homocystinuria type C; **mTOR**, mammalian target of rapamycin; **RTK**, receptor tyrosine kinase; **THBD**, thrombomodulin; **TMA**, thrombotic microangiopathy; **VEGF**, vascular endothelial growth factor.

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aHUS, TTP, AND STEC-HUS ARE RARE CONDITIONS WITH UNIQUE MECHANISMS OF DISEASE¹

TTP²⁻⁴

Insufficient ADAMTS13 activity leaves vWF intact²⁻⁴

vWF

Severe deficiency in ADAMTS13 activity (<10%)

Fully unfolded vWF aggregates with platelets



Lesions found throughout multiple organ systems
Platelet- and vWF-rich microthrombi

Incidence in the US is estimated to be⁴:

- 0.37/100,000 people/year
- 2.9/million adults/year
- 0.1/million children/year

aHUS^{1,5,6}

Chronic uncontrolled complement activation leads to endothelial cell damage and thrombosis^{1,5,6}

Gain of +
function

and/or
Loss of function -

Uncontrolled complement activation leads to endothelial damage, platelet activation and inflammation

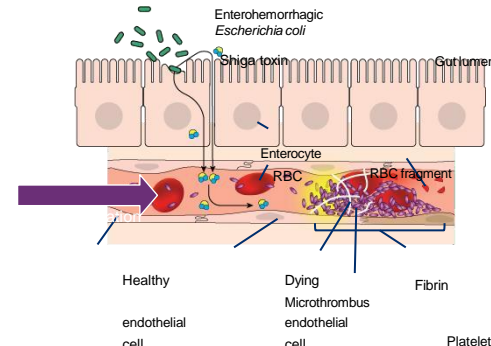


Lesions predominantly in the kidneys but may be found in other organ systems
Fibrin-rich microthrombi

- Incidence in the US is estimated to be 2 cases per million people per year^{7,8}
- Studies in Europe have reported an incidence of 0.11 to 0.23 cases per million people/year^{9,10}

STEC-HUS^{1,11,12}

Endothelial damage resulting from bacterial toxins^{1,11,12}



Lesions predominantly in the kidneys
Fibrin-rich microthrombi

- Incidence in the UK is estimated at 7.1/million people/year⁴
- Higher incidence during periods related to EHEC outbreaks⁴

Patients who experience TMA because of a concomitant condition likely have other underlying risk factors, and pathogenic mechanisms are likely to be multifactorial⁴

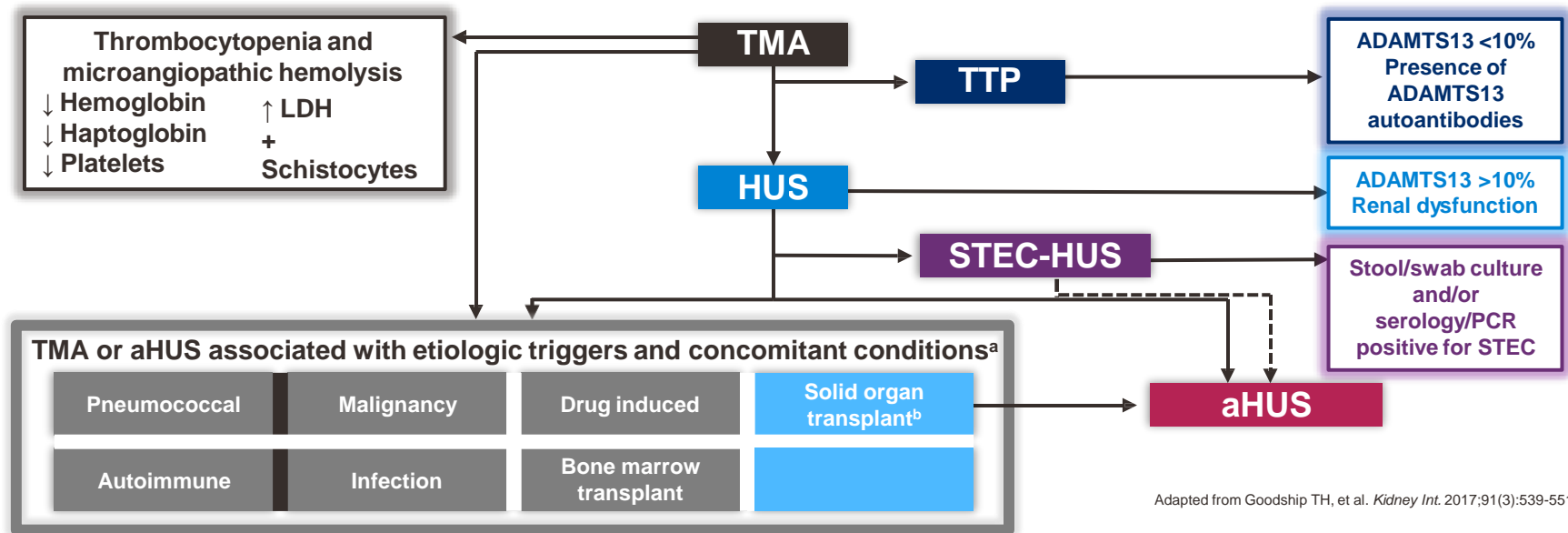
aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; ADAMTS13, a disintegrin and metalloproteinase with a thrombospondin type 1 motif member 13; EHEC, enterohemorrhagic *Escherichia coli*; RBC, red blood cell; STEC-HUS, Shiga toxin-producing *Escherichia coli* hemolytic uremic syndrome; TTP, thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura; vWF, von Willebrand factor.

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CLINICAL AND LABORATORY ASSESSMENTS AND THE ETIOLOGY OF TMA¹⁻³



^aIncluding complement-mediated TMA. ^bOwing to the high prevalence of complement abnormalities in these subgroups, genetic testing is recommended.¹

ADAMTS13, a disintegrin and metalloproteinase with a thrombospondin type 1 motif member 13; **aHUS**, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; **HUS**, hemolytic uremic syndrome; **LDH**, lactate dehydrogenase; **PCR**, polymerase chain reaction; **STEC-HUS**, Shiga toxin-producing *Escherichia coli* hemolytic uremic syndrome; **TMA**, thrombotic microangiopathy; **TTP**, thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura.

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LABORATORY VALUES AND DIAGNOSIS OF TTP^{1,2}

Association Between Patient Characteristics and ADAMTS13 Deficiency Using Multivariate Analysis¹

Patient characteristic	Adjusted odds ratio	95% CI	P value
SCr level ≤ 200 $\mu\text{mol/L}$ (2.26 mg/dL)	23.4	8.8-62.5	<0.001
Platelet count $\leq 30 \times 10^9/\text{L}$	9.1	3.4-24.2	<0.001

Adapted from Coppo P, et al. *PLoS One*. 2010;5(4):e10208.

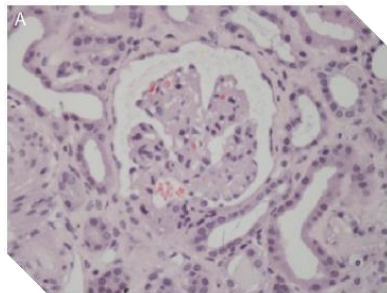
These patient characteristics are associated with a diagnosis of TTP¹

While waiting for other test results, return to your laboratory values to help eliminate a diagnosis of TTP^{1,2}

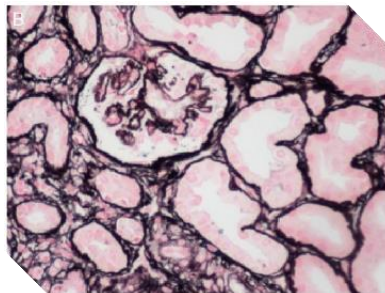
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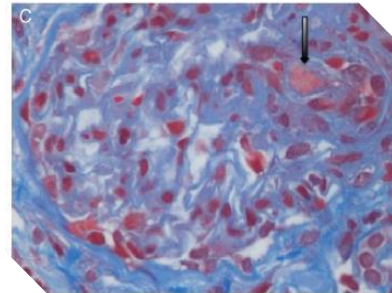
RENAL BIOPSY IN THE DIAGNOSIS OF TMA^{1,2}



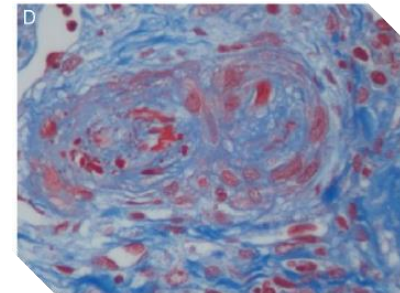
Ischemic and retracted glomeruli¹



Mesangiolysis¹



Thrombi in glomerular capillaries (arrow)¹



Artery occluded by platelet thrombi¹

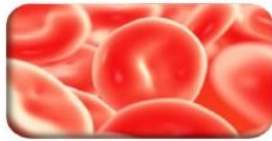
Figures from Campistol JM, et al. *Nefrologia*. 2015;35(5):421-447.

- TMA describes a histologic lesion of the arterioles and capillaries resulting in¹
 - Thickened and swollen vessel walls
 - Detachment of endothelial cells
 - Widening of subendothelial space caused by the buildup of proteins and cell lysis materials
 - The presence of platelet thrombi obstructing vascular lumen
- Renal biopsy findings may indicate TMA, but biopsy alone cannot differentiate between aHUS and STEC-HUS²
- Renal biopsy is NOT required for diagnosis of aHUS²

aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; **STEC-HUS**, Shiga toxin-producing *Escherichia coli* hemolytic uremic syndrome; **TMA**, thrombotic microangiopathy.

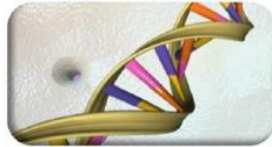
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Important features of aHUS Diagnosis



Incomplete triad

In the French aHUS registry, 13% (14/107) of adults with aHUS had a normal platelet count at presentation¹



Mutation

Today, known mutations are identified in only 50% to 70% of patients with aHUS. A diagnosis of aHUS does not require identification of a mutation²⁻⁵



Complement

In one study, C3 was found to be normal in up to 80% of patients with aHUS, and CFH protein levels were normal in 87% of patients with aHUS with a CFH mutation⁴



Incomplete penetrance

50% of family members are carrying the same complement mutation will have the disease; 20% to 30% of all patients have a familial occurrence of aHUS^{3,4,6}

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aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; C3, complement component 3; CFH, complement factor H; CFI, complement factor I.

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aHUS DIAGNOSIS¹

Lack of a definitive biomarker for aHUS²

No single test can positively diagnose aHUS; complement gene variants are not detected in 40%-60% of patients with aHUS with currently available tests

Underlying conditions that trigger aHUS³

aHUS may be triggered by underlying conditions with overlapping symptoms, which may mask aHUS and complicate diagnosis

Overlapping clinical features³

Clinical features of aHUS, such as thrombocytopenia and hemolytic anemia, are characteristic of other conditions as well

Progressive onset⁴

Patients may have a progressive onset, with subclinical or fluctuating laboratory values and a gradual increase in SCr that can eventually result in CKD

A clinical diagnosis is required for aHUS, using diagnostic tests available for other causes of TMA^{1,3}

aHUS is a diagnosis of exclusion and a condition that may lead to irreversible organ damage¹

aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; **CKD**, chronic kidney disease; **SCr**, serum creatinine; **TMA**, thrombotic microangiopathy.

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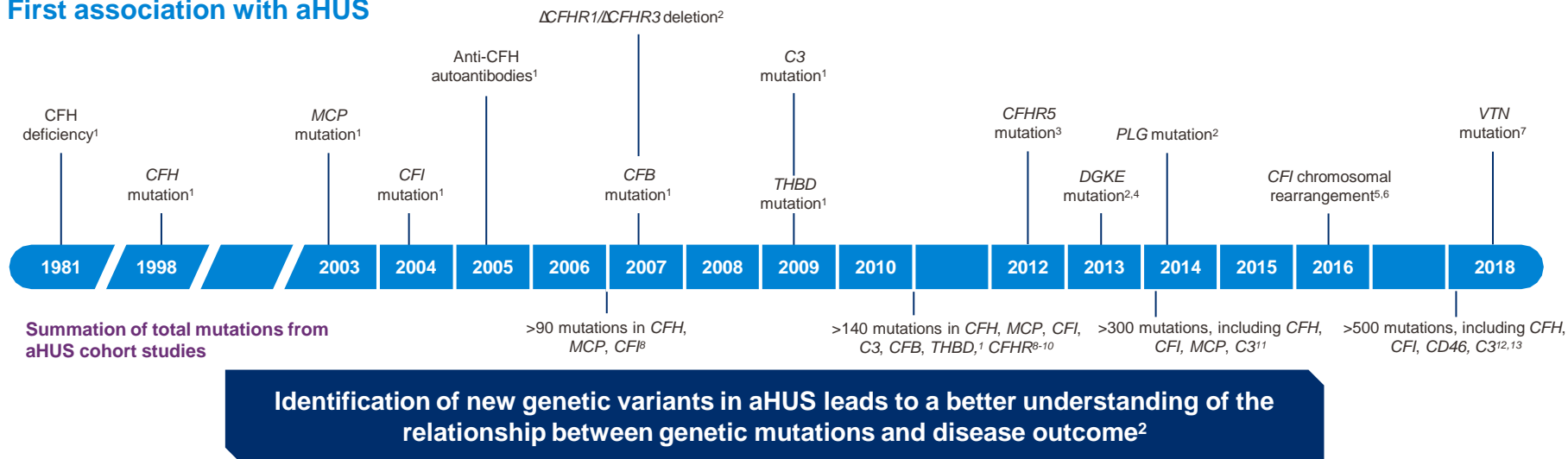
GENETICS OF COMPLEMENT REGULATION IN aHUS



aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome.

CONTINUOUS DISCOVERY OF NEW GENETIC ABNORMALITIES IN PATIENTS WITH aHUS¹⁻¹³

First association with aHUS



aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; **C3**, complement component 3; **CD46**, cluster of differentiation 46; **CFB**, complement factor B; **CFH**, complement factor H; **CFI**, complement factor I; **DGKE**, diacylglycerol kinase epsilon; **MCP**, membrane cofactor protein; **PLG**, plasminogen; **THBD**, thrombomodulin; **VTN**, vitronectin.

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GENETIC ABNORMALITIES IN PATIENTS WITH aHUS¹⁻¹⁰

Genetic Mutations Identified in Patients With aHUS^{1,2}

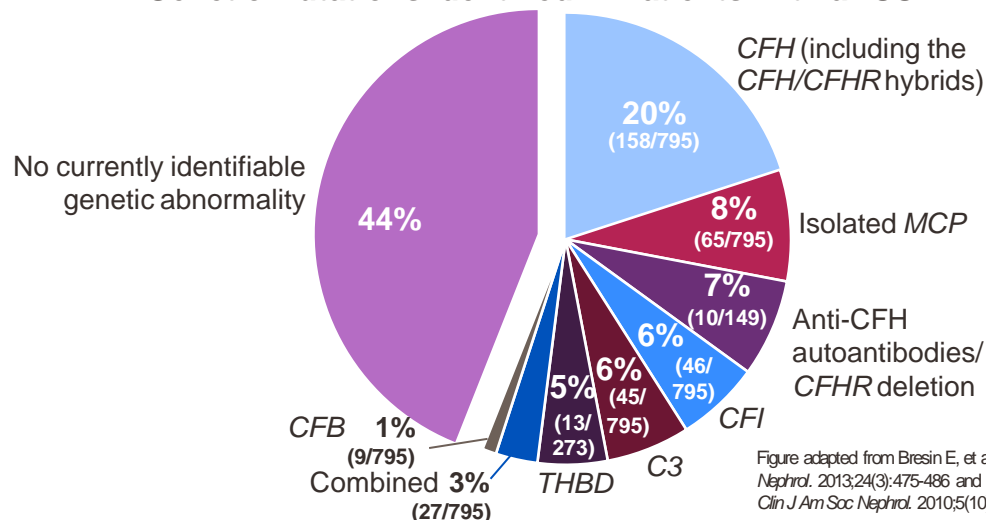


Figure adapted from Bresin E, et al. *J Am Soc Nephrol.* 2013;24(3):475-486 and Noris M, et al. *Clin J Am Soc Nephrol.* 2010;5(10):1844-1859.

- **DGKE mutations** have been identified in 5% (4 of 83) to 41% (9 of 22) of patients aged ≤2 years^{3,4}
- **VTN mutations** have also been implicated in aHUS pathophysiology⁵
- **Variants of unknown significance** have also been identified in patients with aHUS⁶
 - Study of a sufficiently large population needed⁷
 - Clinical impact not known until functional assay is performed^{6,7}
 - Bioinformatic tools are available for predicting pathogenicity of these and other variants but should be used with caution^{6,7}

Mutations in genes encoding proteins that are not exclusively associated with the complement pathway, including **DGKE** (cell metabolism), **PLG** (coagulation and fibrinolysis), and **VTN** (coagulation and fibrinolysis), have been identified in patients with aHUS^{5,8-10}

aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; DGKE, diacylglycerol kinase epsilon; MCP, membrane cofactor protein; PLG, plasminogen; THBD, thrombomodulin; VTN, vitronectin.

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GENETIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF aHUS¹⁻⁵

- Etiologic triggers may unmask aHUS, including^{1,2}



**Malignant
hypertension**



Infection



Pharmacotherapy



**Solid organ
transplant**



**Hematopoietic
stem cell
transplant (HSCT)**



**Autoimmune
disease**



Pregnancy

- Polymorphisms/risk haplotypes and additional genetic abnormalities can increase predisposition to aHUS^{1,2}
- 3% (27/795)-6% (8/144) of patients with aHUS may carry combined mutations in more than 1 gene³⁻⁵

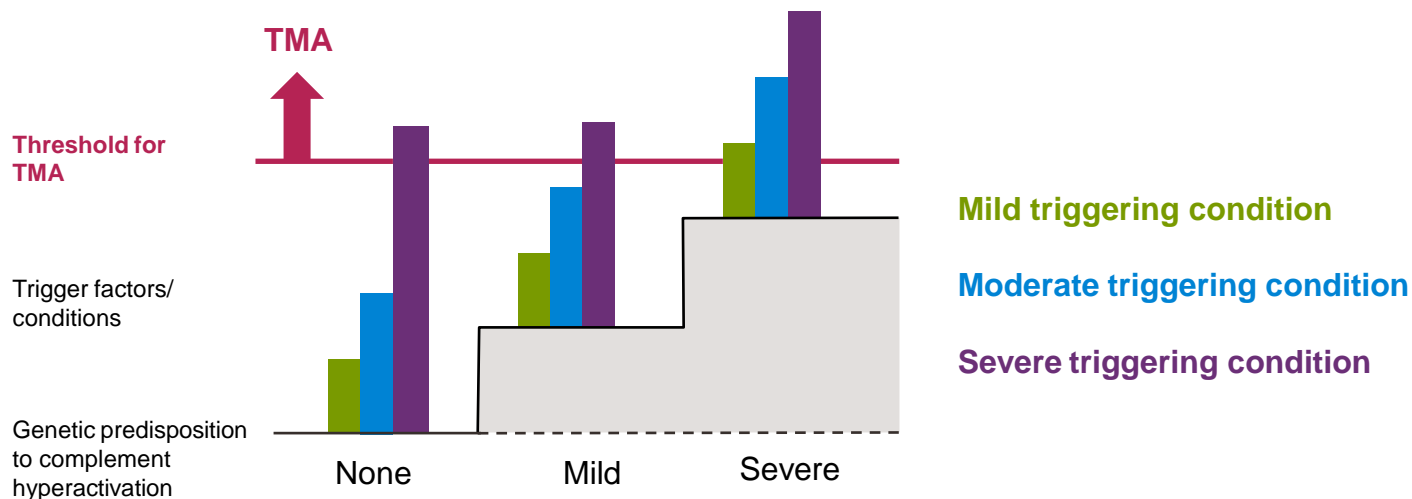
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THE MULTIPLE HIT HYPOTHESIS OF TMA^{1,2}



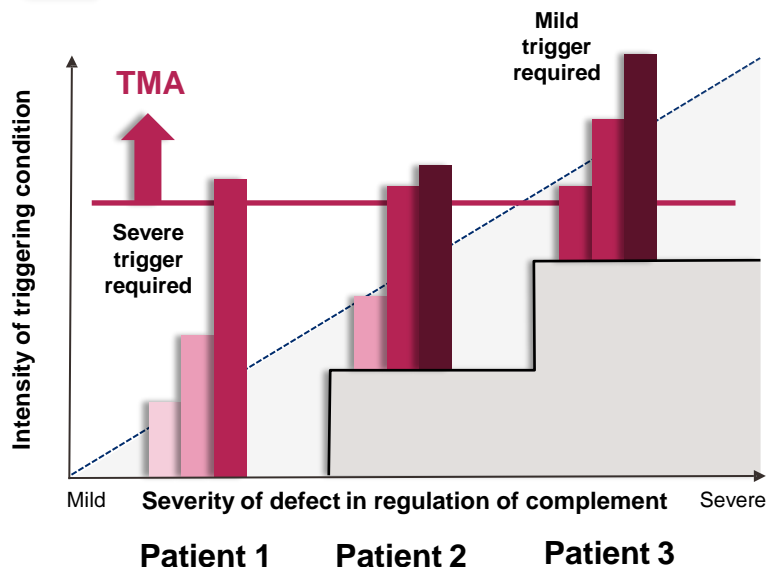
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TMA manifestations can be unpredictable, with a highly variable clinical presentation and course across the patient population³

TMA, thrombotic microangiopathy.

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INDIVIDUAL PATIENT RISK FACTORS AND SEVERITY OF THE TRIGGERING CONDITION FURTHER CONTRIBUTE TO THE SPECTRUM OF TMA¹⁻⁴



Potential Patient Outcomes Based on Genetic Burden and Severity of Etiologic Trigger

- No clinically evident TMA
- No systemic TMA; some endothelial dysfunction
- Transient, self-limiting TMA
- Self-perpetuating, progressive TMA (aHUS)

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The initial triggering condition should be adequately managed. If TMA does not resolve, then consider that aHUS has been unmasked and is now the primary cause of TMA⁵

This is a representative schematic of how a concomitant condition may contribute to disease pathophysiology.

aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; TMA, thrombotic microangiopathy.

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aHUS COMPLICATIONS AND PROGNOSIS



aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome.

RENAL AND EXTRARENAL COMPLICATIONS IN PATIENTS WITH aHUS^{1,a}

Central nervous system: Up to 49% (76/156) of patients experience neurologic symptoms, including^{1,2}

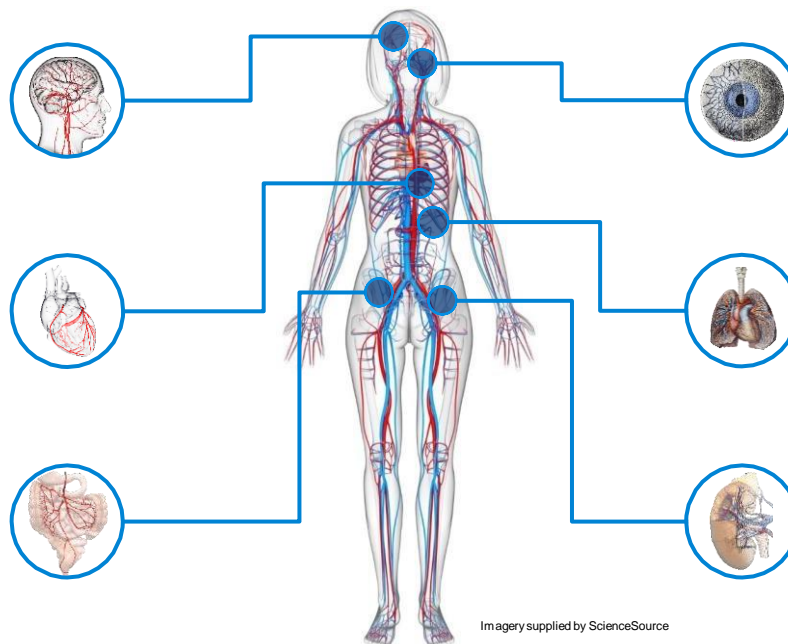
- Confusion³
- Seizures^{1,2}
- Stroke³
- Encephalopathy^{2,3}

CV: Up to 44% (69/156) of patients experience CV symptoms, including¹

- MI^{2,3}
- Vascular stenosis²
- Hypertension¹
- Cardiomyopathy^{1,2}
- Arterial thrombosis³

GI: Up to 51% (80/156) of patients experience GI symptoms, including¹

- Diarrhea^{1,3}
- Gastroenteritis⁴
- Nausea/vomiting³
- Pancreatitis³
- Abdominal pain^{1,3}
- Colitis³



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Visual: Case reports of patients with visual impairments⁵

- Pain and blurred vision⁵
- Retinal vessel occlusion⁶
- Ocular hemorrhage^{5,6}

Pulmonary: Up to 46% (31/67) of patients experience pulmonary symptoms, including⁷

- Dyspnea⁸
- Pulmonary hemorrhage⁹
- Pulmonary edema⁸

Renal: More than 50% of patients progress to ESRD^{1,10}

- Elevated serum creatinine level^{1,11}
- Decreased eGFR¹¹
- Proteinuria¹²

^aThe organ-specific symptoms associated with aHUS are reported from the published literature and are not limited to those listed on this slide.

aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; **CV**, cardiovascular; **eGFR**, estimated glomerular filtration rate; **ESRD**, end-stage renal disease; **GI**, gastrointestinal; **MI**, myocardial infarction.

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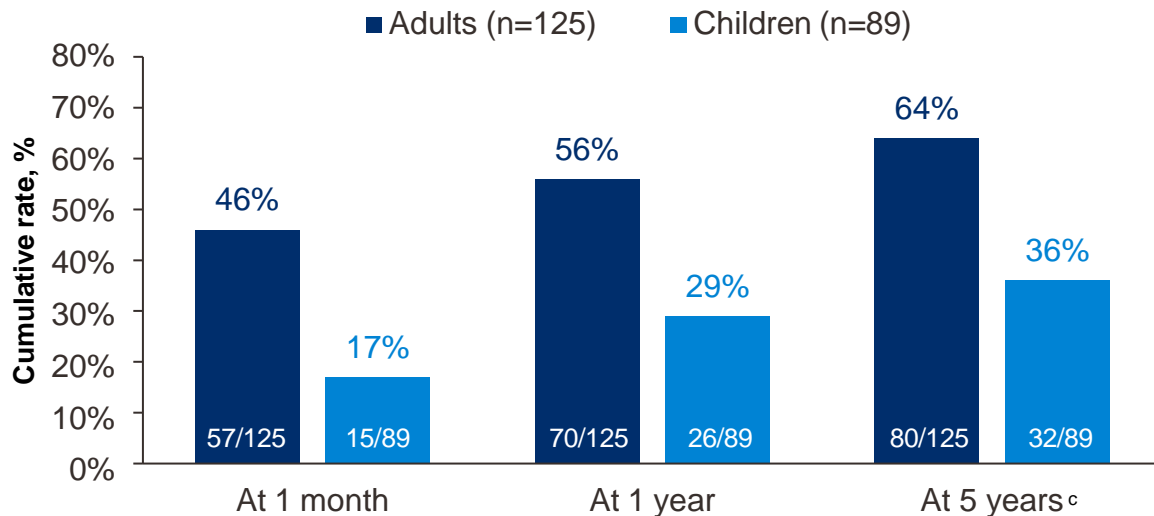
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ESRD-FREE SURVIVAL PROBABILITY IN ADULT AND PEDIATRIC PATIENTS WITH aHUS^a

Cumulative Rate of ESRD or Death According to Time After aHUS Onset in Adult and Pediatric Patients From a French Study (N=214)^b



After 1 year of disease onset, 56% (70/125) of adult patients and 29% (26/89) of pediatric patients with aHUS experienced ESRD or death

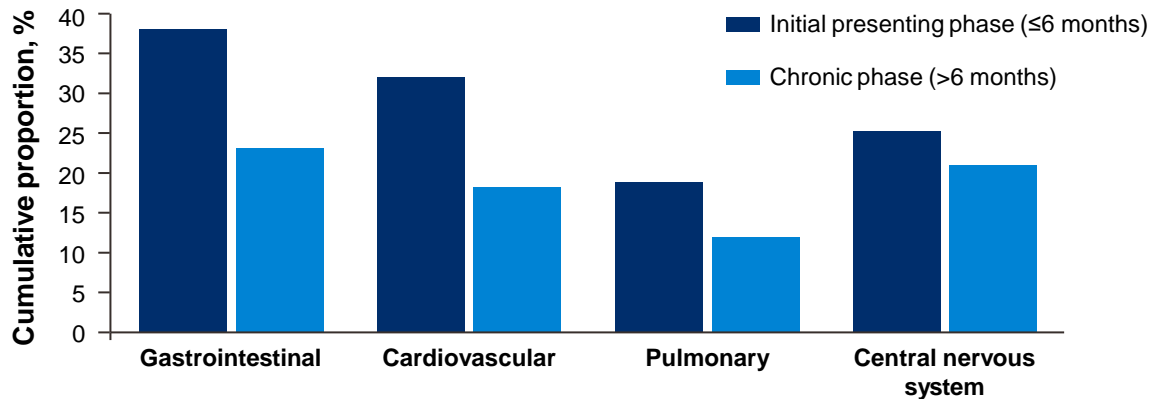
Graph adapted from Frimeaux-Bacchi V, et al. *Clin J Am Soc Nephrol.* 2013;8(4):554-562.

^aThis study was conducted between 2000 and 2008. ^b $P < 0.001$. ^cThe 5-year data are a Kaplan-Meier estimate.

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EXTRARENAL COMPLICATIONS IN ADULT AND PEDIATRIC PATIENTS WITH aHUS MANAGED WITH HISTORICAL CARE¹⁻⁴

Extrarenal Manifestations in Adult and Pediatric Patients With aHUS Managed With Historical Care (N=851)^{1,a,b}



Adapted from Schaefer F, et al. *Kidney Int.* 2018;94(2):408-418.

aHUS affects all organ systems, leading to not only renal complications but also CV, GI, visual, pulmonary, and central nervous system complications¹⁻⁴

^aFrom a study of 851 adult and pediatric patients enrolled in the Global aHUS Registry on historical supportive care, with a data cutoff of November 30, 2015.¹

^bPatients were managed with TPE/PI, kidney transplant, and/or dialysis.¹

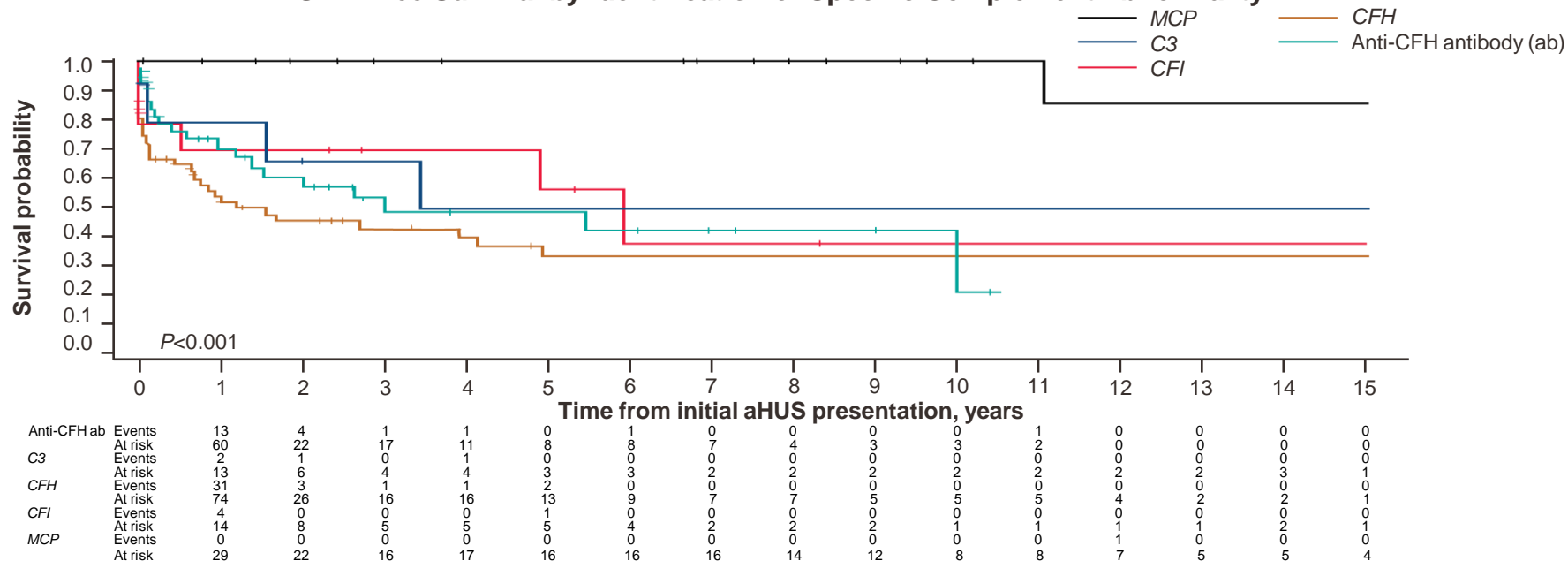
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ESRD-FREE SURVIVAL IN PATIENTS WITH KNOWN MUTATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH aHUS¹⁻³

ESRD-Free Survival by Identification of Specific Complement Abnormality^{1,a}



Identification of a specific mutation in a patient with aHUS may inform prognosis^{1,2}

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Impact of MDT Approach on Patients Outcomes

Spain Experience

A retrospective study of 28 patients evaluating the impact of a MDT in TMA management^{1,a}



Diagnosis Rate

**5x higher
diagnosis**

18 pts in 8 years vs. 10 pts in 8
months



Response time

**11x Faster
Response**

Time to response after MDT
0 days vs. 11 days



Length of Hospitalization

**2x shorter
Hospitalization**

Average 16 days vs. 33 days before
MDT



Chronic Renal
Replacement Therapy

0%

0% required renal replacement
vs. 39 % before MDT

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ICU, intensive care unit; TMA, thrombotic microangiopathy. Chronic replacement therapy is a method of slower, continuous dialysis to allow solute and fluid homeostasis. ^aFrom a retrospective study of 28 patients diagnosed with TMA at a tertiary referral centre in Spain either between January 2008 and April 2016 (pre-MDT) and between May 2016 and December 2016 (post-MDT).

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Risk factor considerations for long-term patient management with aHUS

✓ Genetic abnormalities

- Ongoing risk of ESRD, death, extrarenal manifestations, subsequent TMA, and graft loss after kidney transplant varies among genotypes^{1,2}

✓ Ongoing renal dysfunction

- Most patients with aHUS are at ongoing risk of death or permanent renal impairment, even following recovery from acute kidney injury^{1,3,4}

✓ Age at first manifestation

- Mortality rate is higher among patients with aHUS diagnosed as children, whereas renal involvement is higher in adults^{1,a}

✓ Clinical history of TMA

- A clinical history of TMA demonstrates the ongoing susceptibility to complement-mediated TMA experienced by all patients with aHUS3–5

✓ Extrarenal TMA complications

- Patients with aHUS are at ongoing risk of extrarenal complications that may progress despite no overt thrombocytopenia or hemolysis^{2,6}

✓ History of renal transplant

- Ongoing risk of subsequent TMA and graft loss is high for patients with aHUS following renal transplant^{2,3,7}

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aHUS, atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome; ESRD, end-stage renal disease; TMA, thrombotic microangiopathy.

^aMortality in 89 pediatric patients with aHUS vs in 125 adult patients with aHUS was 7.8% vs 1.6% ($P<0.02$). Progression to ESRD after the first aHUS manifestation in adult patients with aHUS vs in pediatric patients with aHUS was 46% vs 17% ($P<0.001$). Median follow-up of 57 (range, 1–353) months for adults and of 45 (range, 1–493) months for pediatric patients (pre-Soliris era).¹

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RATIONALE FOR A LONG-ACTING THERAPY FOR COMPLEMENT-MEDIATED TMAs^{1,2,3,4,5}

Eculizumab for atypical-HUS²

- longer-term eculizumab therapy maintained inhibition of complement activity, TMA, and improvements in hematologic parameters and renal function²
- the favorable safety profile of eculizumab is compatible with its longer-term use²

Ravulizumab for atypical-HUS^{1,4}

- Built on the foundation of eculizumab
- A long-acting C5 inhibitor
- Weight-based dosing, 4- or 8-week intervals
- It has the same mechanism of action as eculizumab, but with a 4-fold longer duration of action, which substantially reduces the frequency of maintenance doses.

Mean Half-Life Comparison

Eculizumab^{3,5}

- *Patients with atypical-HUS*
- *Adults: Elimination t_{1/2} of 12.1 days*
- *Children: Elimination t_{1/2} of 14.5 days*

Ravulizumab¹

Patients with atypical-HUS

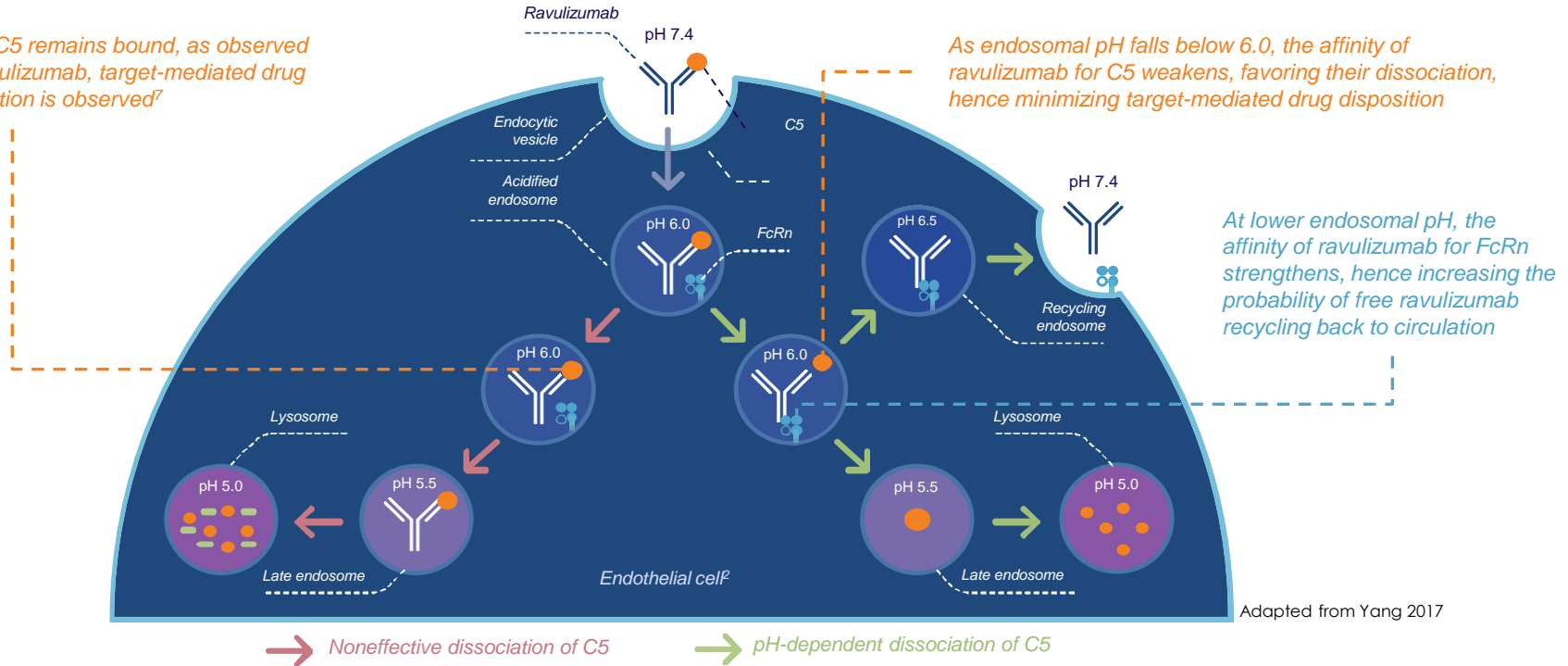
*In adults: Mean (%CV)
terminal elimination t_{1/2} of
51.8 days*

^a Sustained throughout the entire 26-week treatment period in the majority (93%) of adult and pediatric patients with atypicalHUS. CV, coefficient of variation; IV, intravenous; PNH, paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria; t_{1/2}, half-life, TMAs Thrombotic microangiopathy



A graphical representation of the mechanism of ravulizumab half-life prolongation⁶

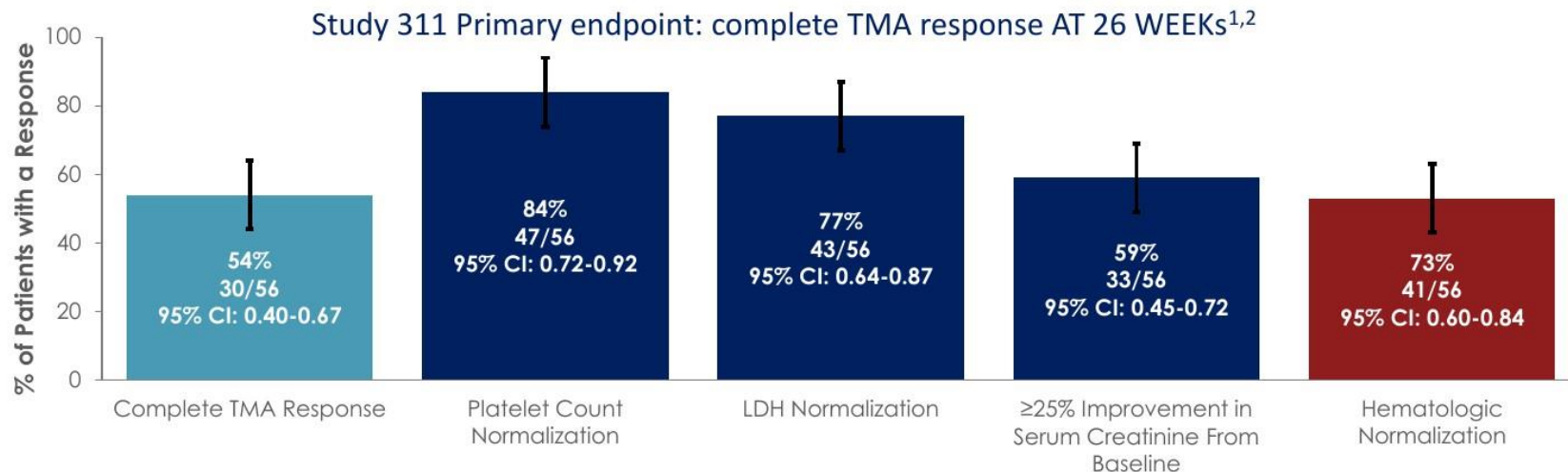
When C5 remains bound, as observed with eculizumab, target-mediated drug disposition is observed⁷



Adapted from Yang 2017



Treatment outcomes with Ravulizumab in patients with aHUS



More than half of patients (54%) achieved complete TMA response, with the majority (84%) demonstrating platelet count normalization

2. Egyptian drug authority. Ultomiris 300mg/3ml leaflet approval date 4/12/2023.

3. Egyptian drug authority. Ultomiris 1100/11ml leaflet approval date 4/12/2023.

The criteria for complete TMA response are met when all criteria are concurrently met, and each criterion was met for at least 28 days.
95% confidence intervals (CIs) are represented by the lines at the top of each bar. LDH, lactate dehydrogenase; TMA, thrombotic microangiopathy

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Treatment outcomes with Ravulizumab in patients with aHUS

29 patients were on dialysis at study entry

CKD Stage at Baseline Total Patients (%) (N=47*)		Patients at CKD Stage at Day 183 (%)					
		1	2	3A	3B	4	5
1	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
2	3 (6.4)	2 (4.3)	1 (2.1)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
3A	1 (2.1)	1 (2.1)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
3B	2 (4.3)	2 (4.3)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
4	7 (14.9)	1 (2.1)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	3 (6.4)	1 (2.1)	2 (4.3)
5	34 (72.3)	6 (12.8)	6 (2.8)	3 (6.4)	3 (6.4)	5 (10.6)	11 (23.4)

- 68% of patients achieved CKD stage improvement (1 or more stage) from baseline**
- 17/29 patients were able to discontinue dialysis by the end of the available follow-up**

- Patients with CKD Stage 5 cannot worsen and may not be able to improve
- 6/27 patients who were off dialysis at baseline were on dialysis at last available follow up

 Improved
  Neutral
  Worsened

https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Study-design-and-endpoint-observations-by-actual-randomisation-sequence-Primary-care_fig2_344669039

Safety of Ravulizumab in aHUS patients

Most common AEs ($\geq 20\%$) were upper respiratory tract infection, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, headache, hypertension, and pyrexia

Overall (N=58)		
	n (%)	Events
Any adverse event (AE)	58 (100.0)	818
Treatment related	20 (34.5)	58
Not treatment related	58 (100.0)	760
Any serious adverse event (SAE)	30 (51.7)	71
Fatal TEAEs	3 (5.2)	3
Study discontinuation due to		
TEAEs	3 (5.2)	3
TESAEs	3 (5.2)	3
Drug discontinuation due to		
TEAEs	3 (5.2)	3
TESAEs	3 (5.2)	3
AEs during study drug infusion		
TEAEs	4 (6.9)	6
TESAEs	0 (0)	0
Meningococcal infections	0 (0.0)	0

Adverse Events (AEs) Across Studies:

- The most frequent adverse reactions reported in $\geq 20\%$ of adults and pediatric patients treated with ravulizumab-cwvz were upper respiratory tract infection, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, headache, hypertension and pyrexia

Serious Adverse Events (SAEs):

- Serious adverse reactions were reported in 42 (57%) adults and pediatric patients with aHUS receiving ravulizumab-cwvz. The most frequent serious adverse reactions reported in more than 2 patients (2.7%) treated with ravulizumab-cwvz were hypertension, pneumonia and abdominal pain
- 1 patient with treatment-emergent positive result for ADAs was observed, with no neutralizing antibodies and no apparent effect on PK/PD
- 4 deaths determined by study investigators to be unrelated to study drug

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Thank you