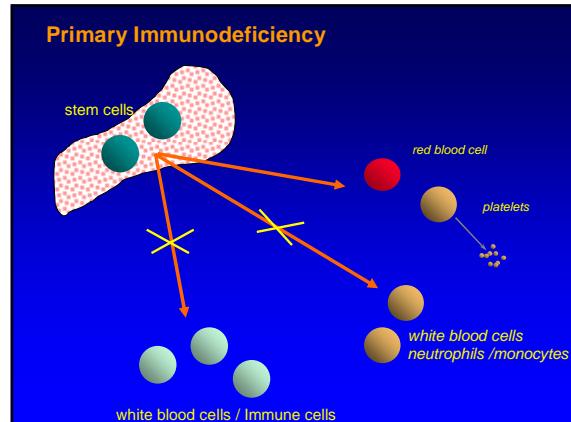


Molecular Diagnosis of Severe Congenital Immunodeficiencies

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Severe Combined Immunodeficiency (SCID)

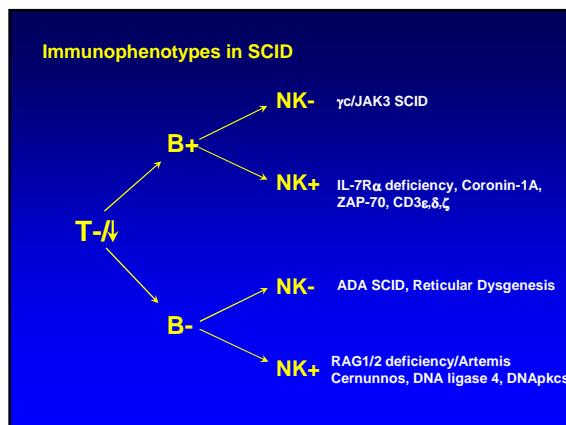
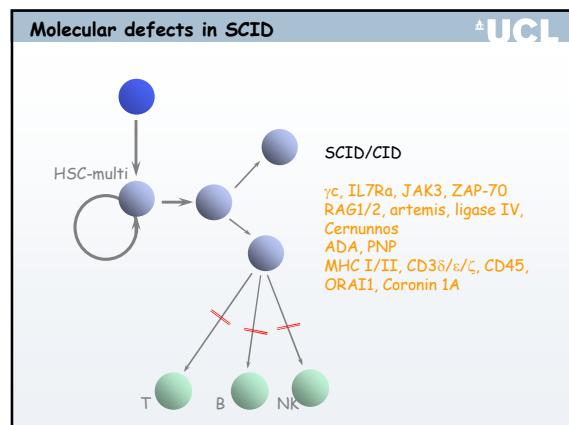
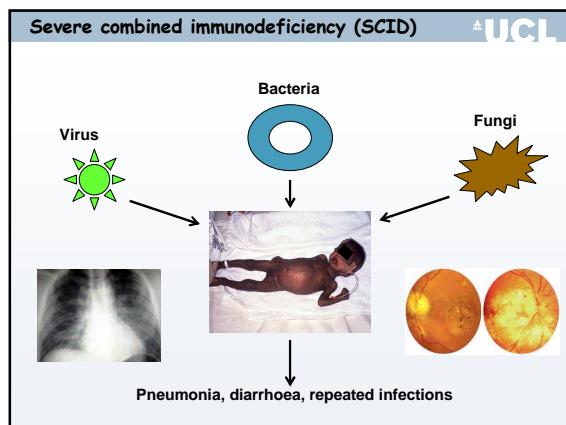
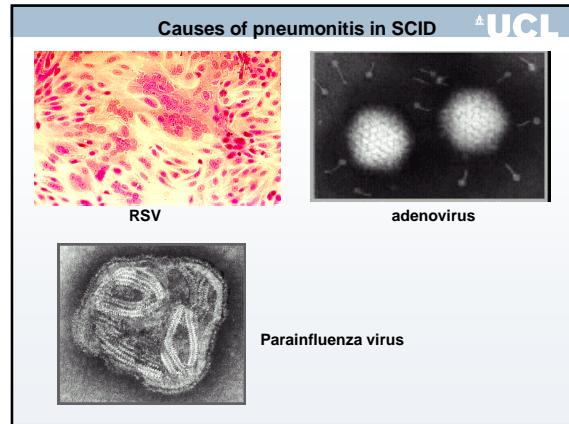
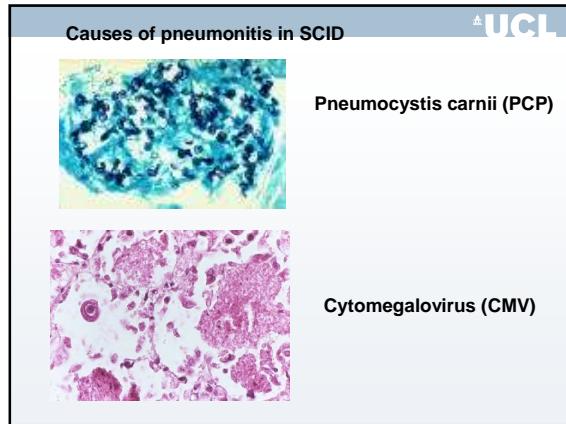
- severe defects in cellular and humoral immunity
- different immunological phenotypes
- common clinical presentation
- genetic heterogeneity
- common treatment options



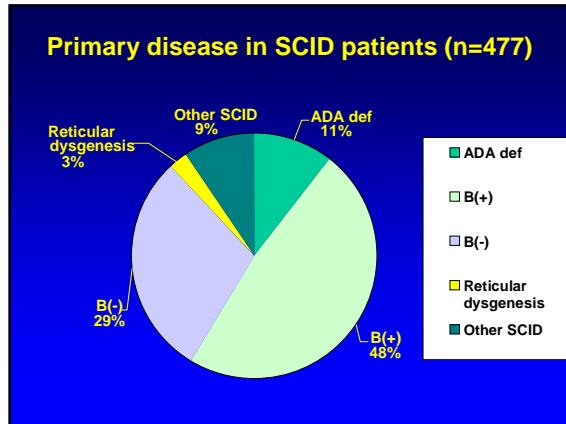
'Bubble babies'

The left photograph shows a baby inside a large, transparent plastic bubble enclosure, which is part of a isolator used for 'bubble babies'. The right photograph shows a doctor wearing a mask and gloves holding a baby, also within a similar protective environment.



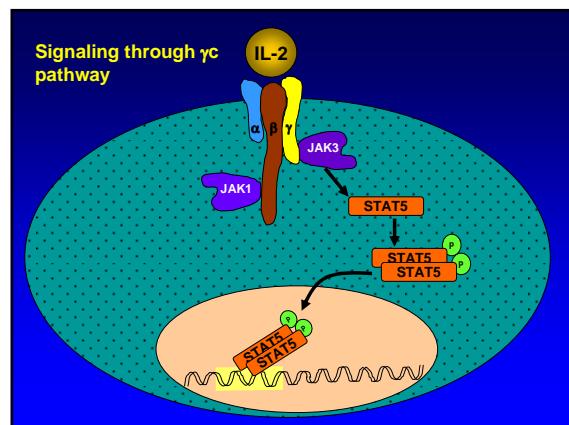
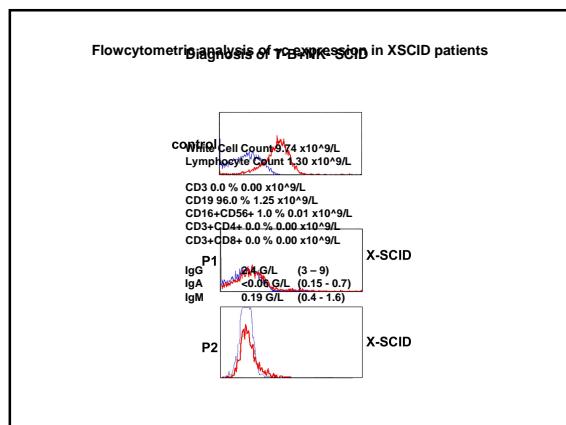
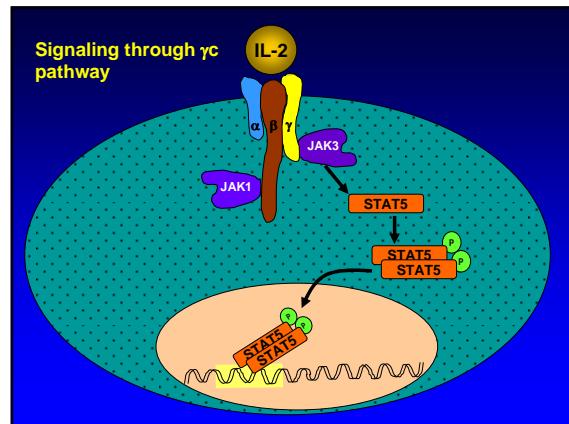
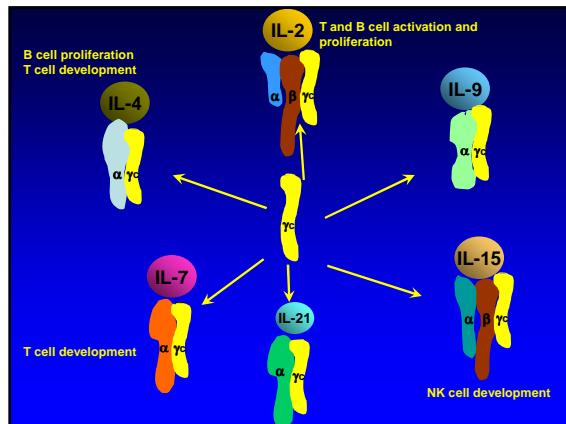


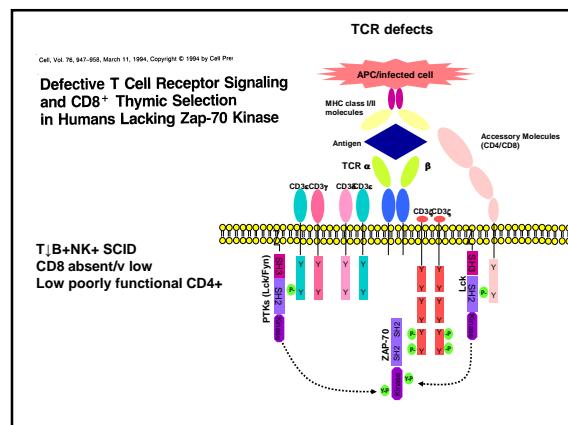
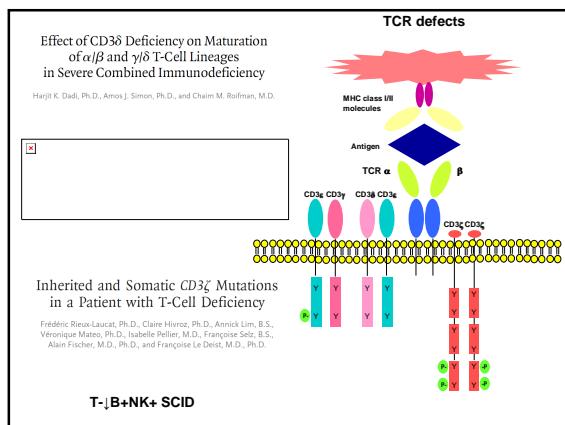
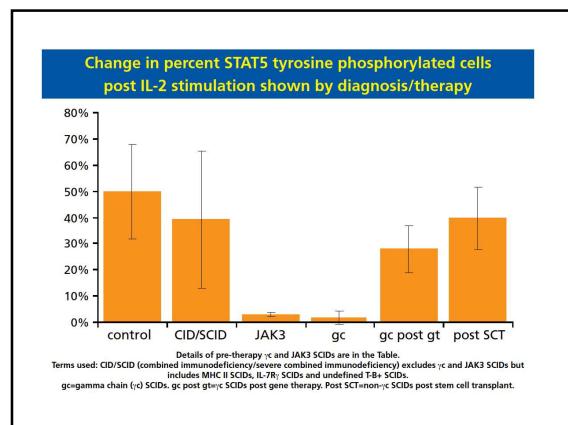
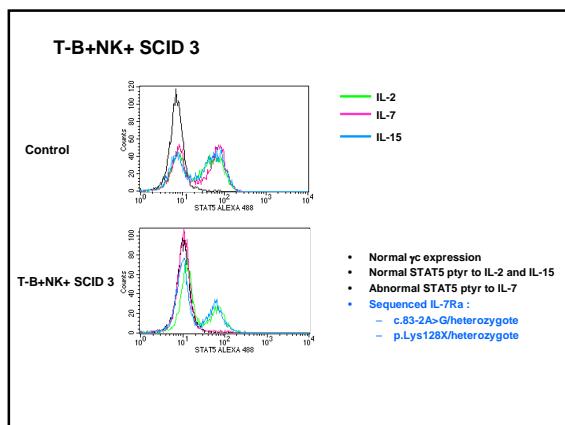
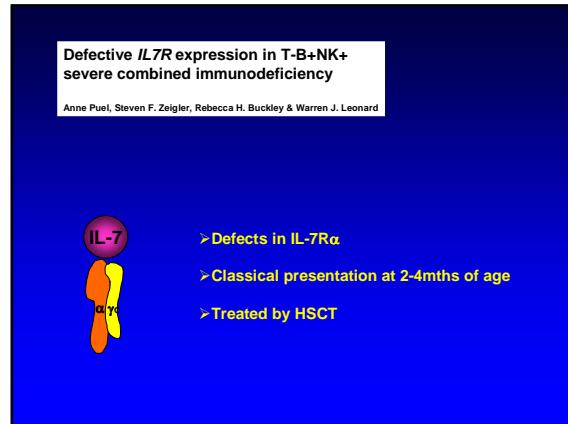
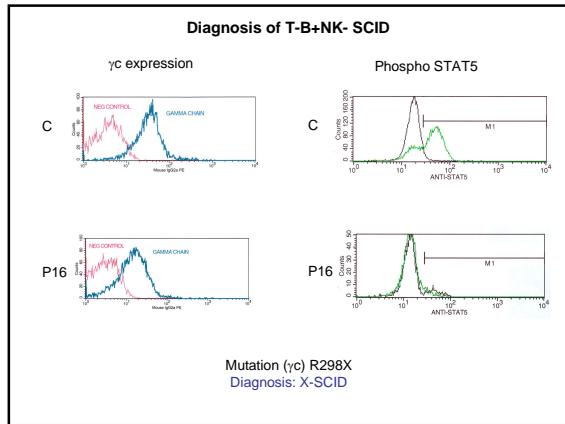
- Molecular defects in SCID**
- Cytokine signalling defects – γc , JAK3, IL-7Ra
 - TCR defects – CD3 $\delta/\epsilon/\zeta$, ZAP-70
 - VDJ recombination defects – RAG1/2, Artemis, DNA ligase IV, Cernunnos, DNAPkcs
 - Defects of metabolism – ADA, PNP, AK2 (reticular dysgenesis)
 - Other – MHC class II def, Coronin 1A, Ora 1

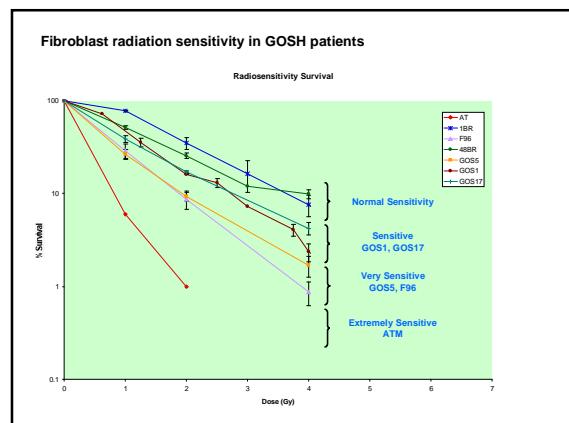
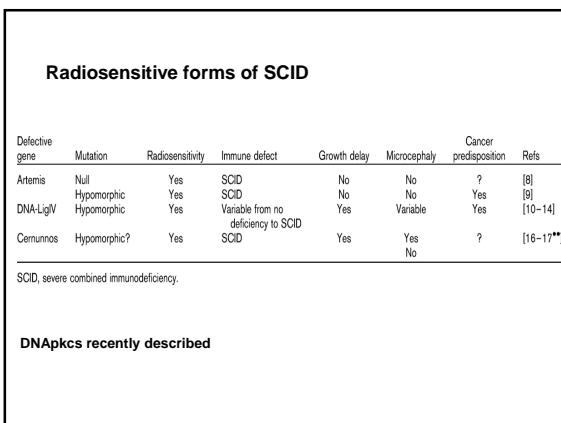
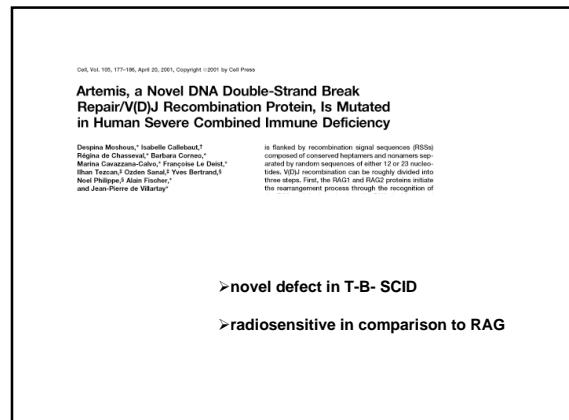
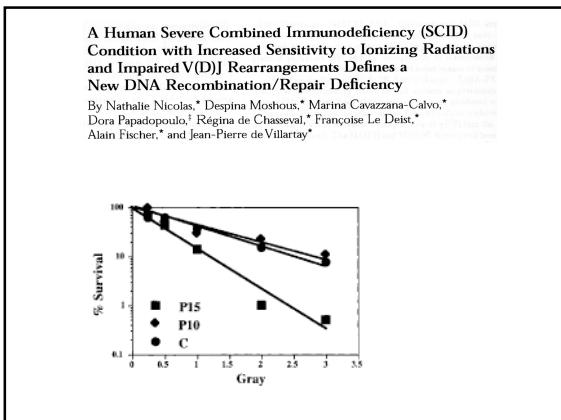
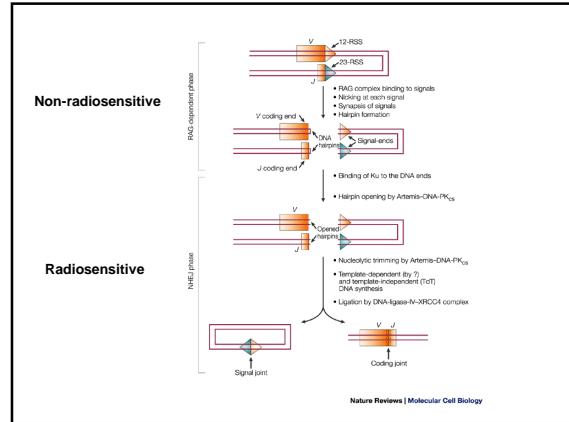
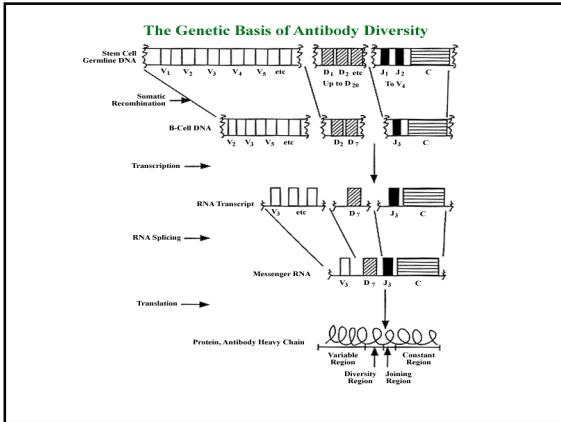


X-linked SCID

- Most common form of SCID ~ 40-50%
- Classical T-B+NK- phenotype
- Carriers show non-random X-inactivation in T cell lineage
- Defect in common γ chain (Noguchi et al. 1993)
- Common component of IL-2, IL-4, IL-7, IL-9, IL-15 cytokine receptors









Patient with florid rash, lymphadenopathy, FTT and pneumonitis

LYMPHOCYTE PANEL

HAEM RESULTS:- WBC 8.3 ABS LY 5.64
 CD3 48 %
 CD19 45 %
 CD16+CD56+ 0 %
 CD4 4 %
 CD8 42 %

Immunoglobulins

IgG 4.1 G/L (3 - 9)
 IgA <0.06 G/L (0.15 - 0.7)
 IgM 0.09 G/L (0.4 - 1.6)
 Total IgE 826 IU/ML

PHA STIMULATION

PHA 0 ug/ml 295 MEAN DPM
 PHA 1.0 ug/ml 312 MEAN DPM
 PHA 2.0 ug/ml 333 MEAN DPM
 PHA 4.0 ug/ml 403 MEAN DPM
 PHA 8.0 ug/ml 441 MEAN DPM
 Stimulation Index 1.49

Omenn's Syndrome

- Clinical presentation of SCID
- Erythroderma, eosinophilia, hepatosplenomegaly, lymphadenopathy
- Increased IgE, activated T cells, low/absent B cells
- Restricted TCR Vβ usage

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Partial V(D)J Recombination Activity Leads to Omenn Syndrome

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Introduction

Diversity of the immunological assembly of V(D)J segments, in a productive combination (T-cell receptor)

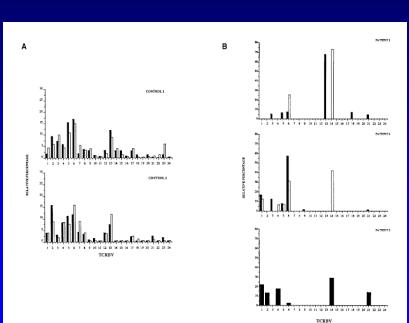
- Mutations found in RAG1 and RAG2

- Mainly missense mutations with stable protein expression

- Partial V(D)J activity retained

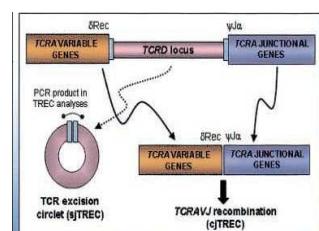
- OS mutants affect the formation of RSS/RAG 1/RAG 2 complex

Restricted TCRVβ clonality in Omenn's syndrome



Rieux-Lauca et al. (1998) J Clin Invest 102 (2): 312-321

TRECs



Peggs and Mackinnon, BJH 2004

UCL

Results

Patient	Diagnosis	TRECs per million cells
MD	SCID ADA Deficiency	0
SR	SCID X-linked	0
LV	CID	0
JH	Gamma Chain SCID	0
LR	SCID T low B+ NK+	0
MH	SCID T low B+ IL-7 R def.	0
SC	Gamma Chain SCID	0
HB	Gamma Chain SCID	0
AA	SCID T low NK+ B low	0
NL	Gamma Chain SCID	0
OC	Gamma Chain SCID	0
MM	Gamma Chain SCID	0
TA	RAG SCID	0
ZK	SCID T low NK+	0
AC	Evans SCID	0
RR	Gamma Chain SCID	0
IM	SCID ADA Deficiency	0
JA	Gamma Chain SCID	0
MH	SCID ADA Deficiency	0
MD	?ADA SCID	0

All SCID DBS TREC samples are zero

Includes patients with maternal engraftment and atypical feature CID/Evans

Omenn's Syndrome

- Clinical and immunological syndrome
- Heterogeneous molecular basis
- Defects in RAG1/2, Artemis, gamma c, ADA, CHH, IL-7R α etc
- Restricted TCR V β usage
- Low TRECs

2 month old child with severe FTT, diarrhoea and recurrent cough

Specimen Type: Serum
IMMUNOGLOBULINS

IgG 7.70 G/L 5.2 - 18
IgA <0.06 G/L 0 - 0.02
IgM 0.20 G/L 0.02 - 0.2

white Cell Count 4.48 x10⁹/L
Lymphocyte Count 0.09 x10⁹/L

Specimen Type: Blood (heparin)
PHA STIMULATION

CD3 1.0 % 0.00 x10⁹/L PHA 0 ug/ml 1753 MEAN DPM
CD19 9.0 % 0.01 x10⁹/L PHA 1.0 ug/ml 1974 MEAN DPM
CD16+CD56+ 2.0 % 0.00x10⁹/L PHA 2.0 ug/ml 2805 MEAN DPM
CD3+CD4+ 0 % 0.00 x10⁹/L PHA 4.0 ug/ml 2321 MEAN DPM
CD3+CD8+ 0 % 0.00 x10⁹/L PHA 8.0 ug/ml 1194 MEAN DPM
Stimulation Index 1.4

ADA deficiency

- Enzyme expressed in all body cells - purine salvage pathway
- Deficiency results in abnormalities of lymphocyte function and proliferation
- ~10-15% of all cases of SCID
- Variability in clinical presentation

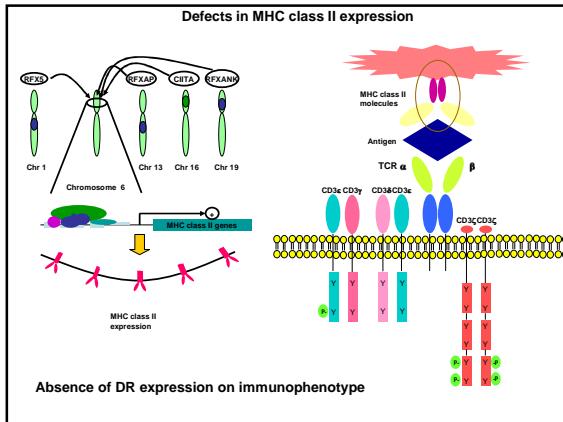
Biochemical defect in ADA deficiency

DNA → d-adenosine → d-adenosine (dCydK) → d-ATP (ADA) → d-adenosine (dCydK)

increase is toxic to lymphocyte function

Immunodeficiency in ADA deficiency

- Cell mediated and humoral abnormality
➤ ↓T, ↓B, ↓NK
- 85-90% present in the first year of life
➤ Pneumonitis, diarrhoea, skin infection, FTT
- 15-20% delayed onset/partial ADA deficiency
➤ Present 2-3 years of life
➤ less severe infective episodes
➤ less severe immunophenotype and metabolic abnormalities



A mutation in Orai1 causes immune deficiency by abrogating CRAC channel function

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