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Take Home Messages – Day 1

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Day 1 Summary



Around the Globe



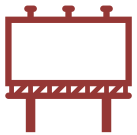
Etiology and Basic Science



Tomisaku Kawasaki Memorial Lecture



Genetics and Environmental Science



Poster Sessions



Acute KD Imaging

Around the Globe: IKDS Survey Responses

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REKAMLATINA (Red de Enfermedad de Kawasaki en América Latina) Latin-America	2013	20	86	100 +
International Kawasaki Disease Registry (IKDR) N-Am / International	2013	8	51	20-50
SOCIETI UK	2015	1	10	20-50
KAWARACE Spain	2015	1	95	100 +
Kawasaki Disease Comparative Effectiveness (KIDCARE) trial USA	2016	1	30	20-50
Asia Pacific Kawasaki Disease Association Eastern Asia / South-Pacific	2016	14	30	50-100
Genetic Prediction of KD Treatment Resistance (GENESYS) USA / North-Am	2018	2	6	10-20
Indian Society of Kawasaki Disease India	2018	1	10	50-100
Cardiac Catheterization in Kawasaki Disease registry (CCinKD registry) Germany / Europe	2019	6	16	20-50
JIR COHORT KD (KAWANET) and MIS-C Europe	2019	11	87	20-50
AMED Study Group Japan	2020	1	150	50-100
Cape Town Kawasaki Group South Africa	2020	1	2	10-20
COVASAKI network Italy	2020	1	18	20-50
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Kawasaki disease Sweden (SwedKD) Sweden	2021	1	1	10-20
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Majority of KD organizations:

- Organized governance
- Steering committee
- No formal funding
- Peer-reviewed publications



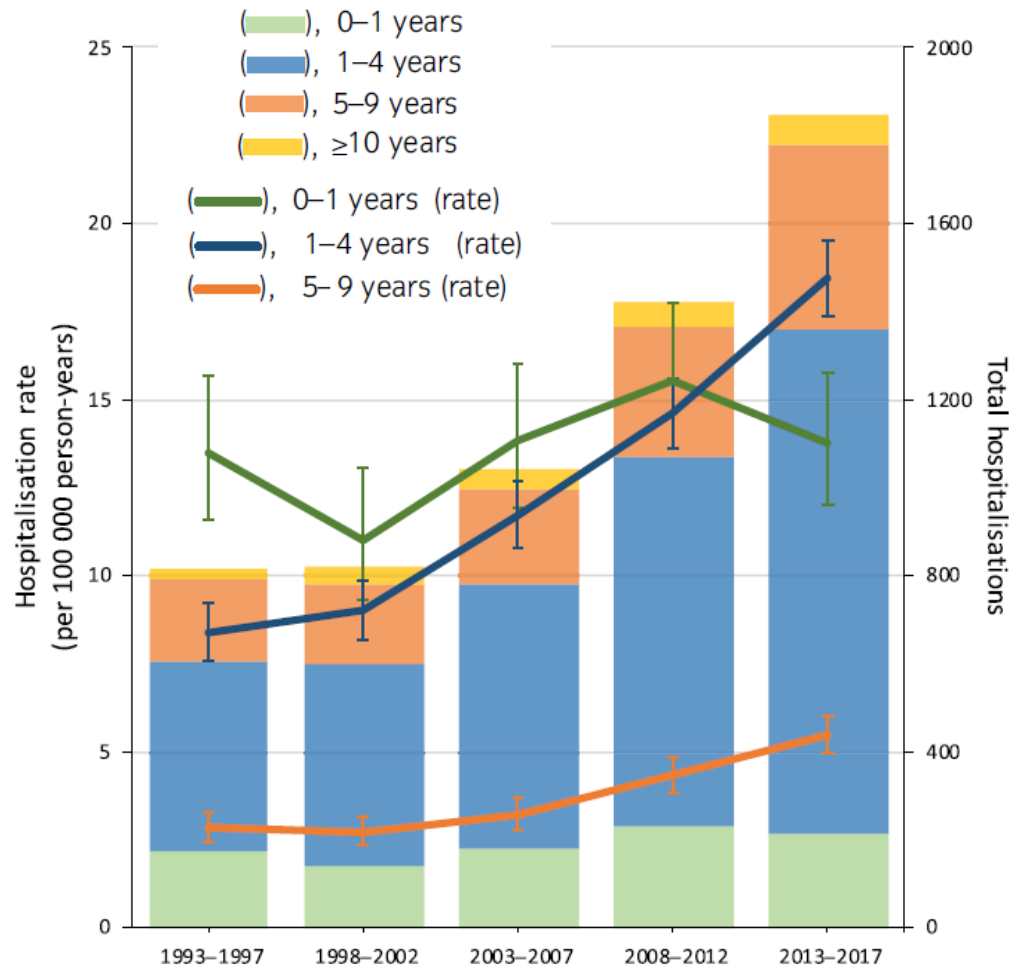
Collaboration

Shared vision

Expand the expertise circle

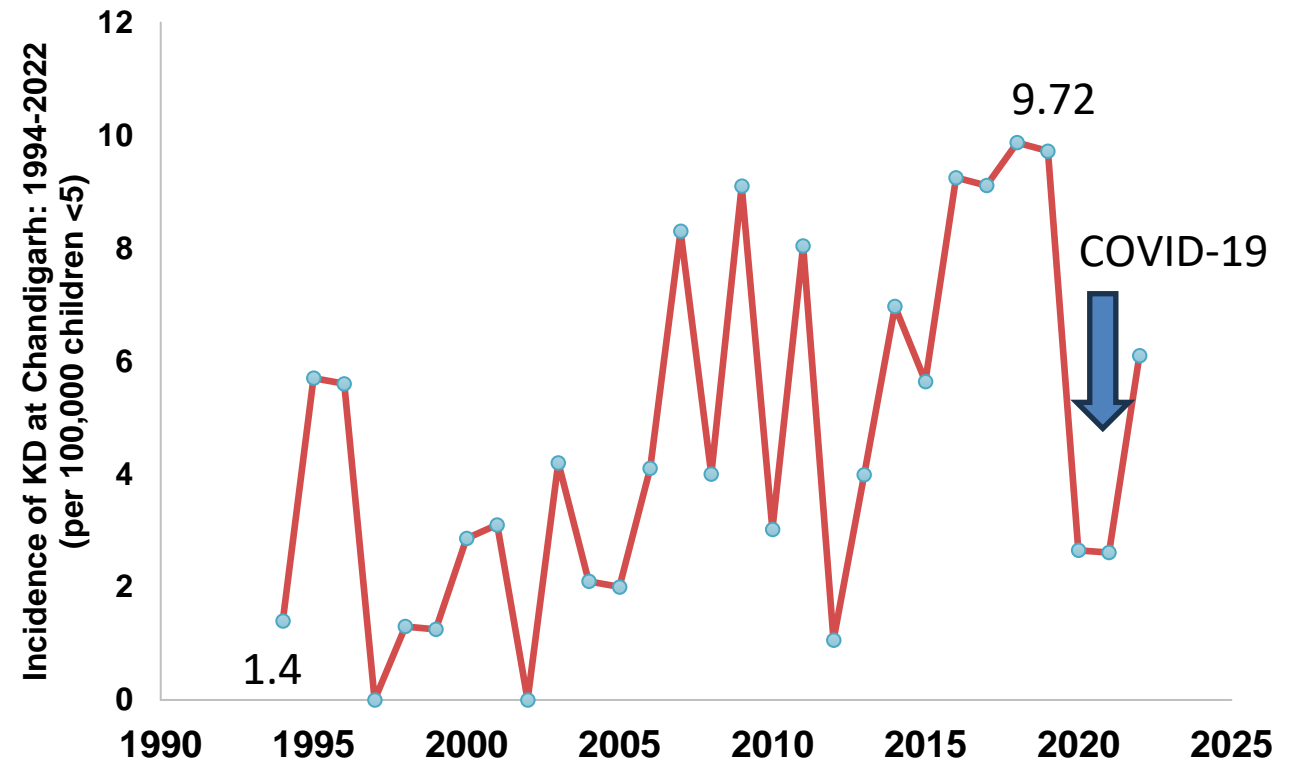


Around the Globe: Increasing Prevalence of Kawasaki Disease



3.5% annual increase in KD hospitalization rate over 25 years in Australia

Lucas R, et al. *Journal of Paediatrics and Child Health*. 2022.
Presentation by Dr. Davinder Singh-Grewal



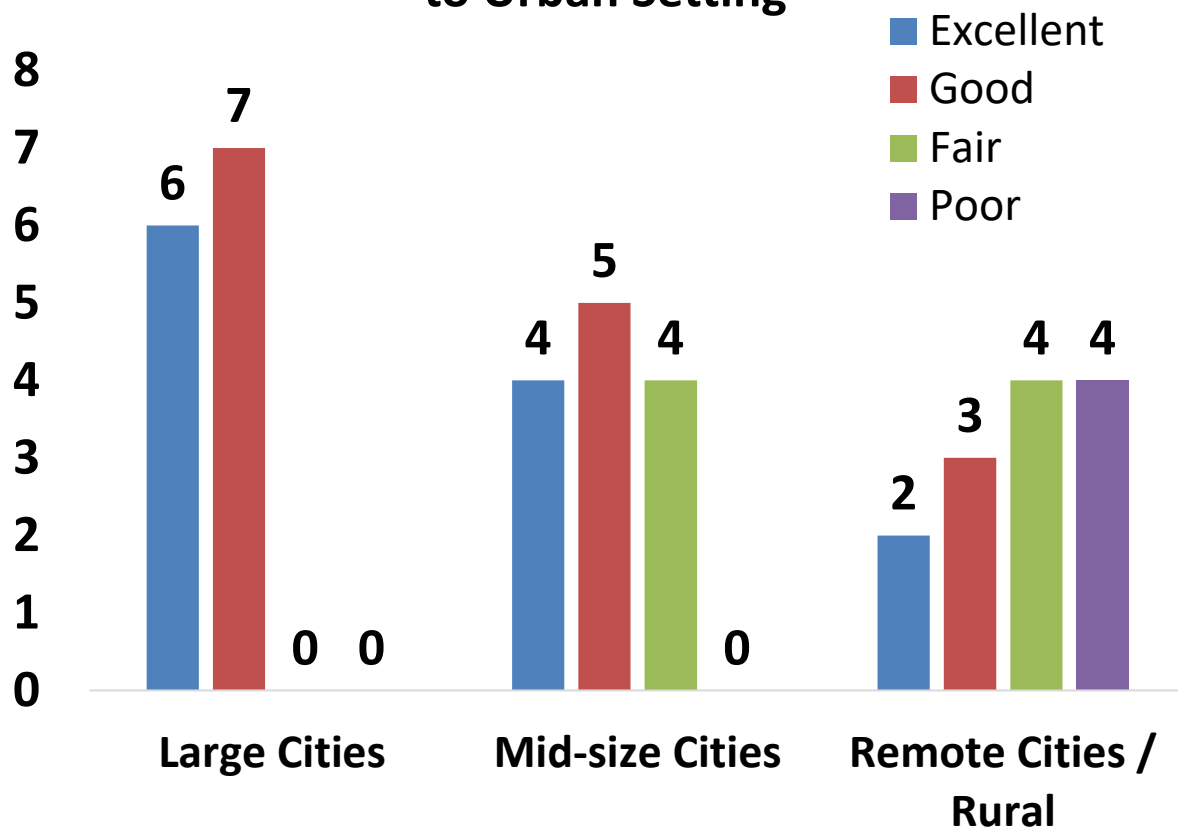
Increasing number of cases of KD in India

Adapted from presentation by Dr. Surjit Singh

Around the Globe: Access to Appropriate KD Care



Healthcare Quality According to Urban Setting

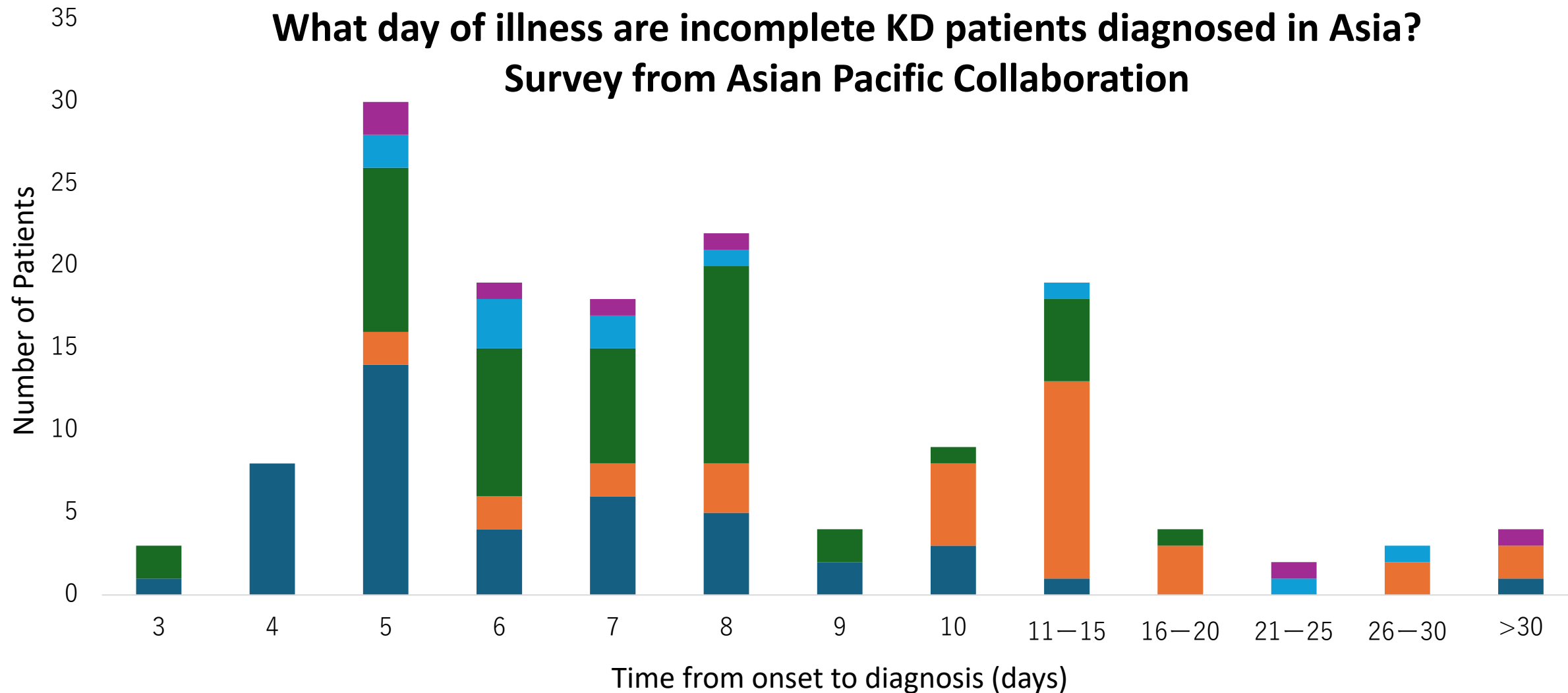


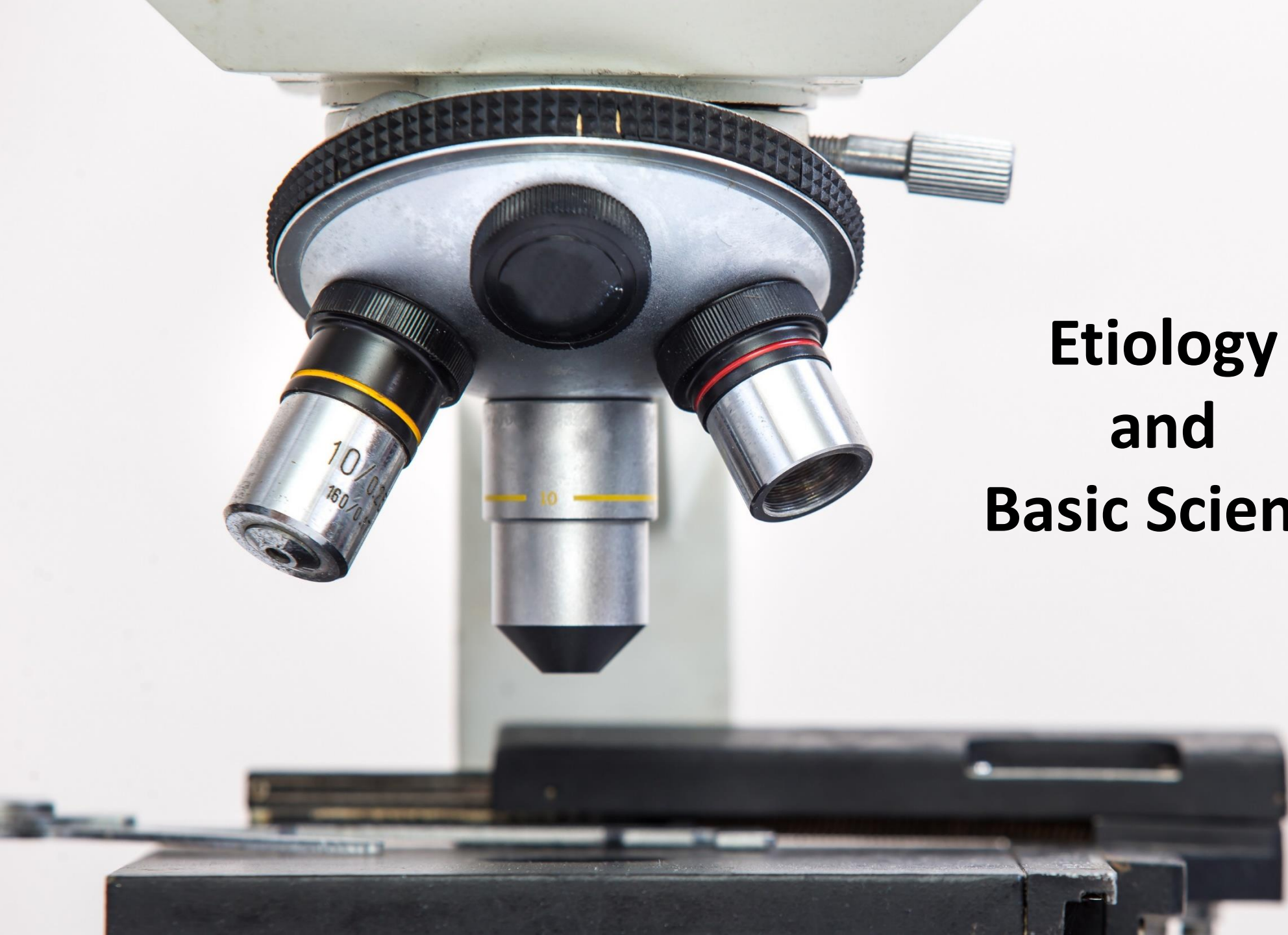
Survey Among Latin America Network

61 responses among 15 countries:

Adequate knowledge of KD in your country?	61%
Timely diagnosis/treatment of KD?	43%
Cardiology consultation available?	98%
Available echo?	95%
Available IVIG?	89%
Available biologic therapies?	43%

Around the Globe: Importance of Increasing Awareness





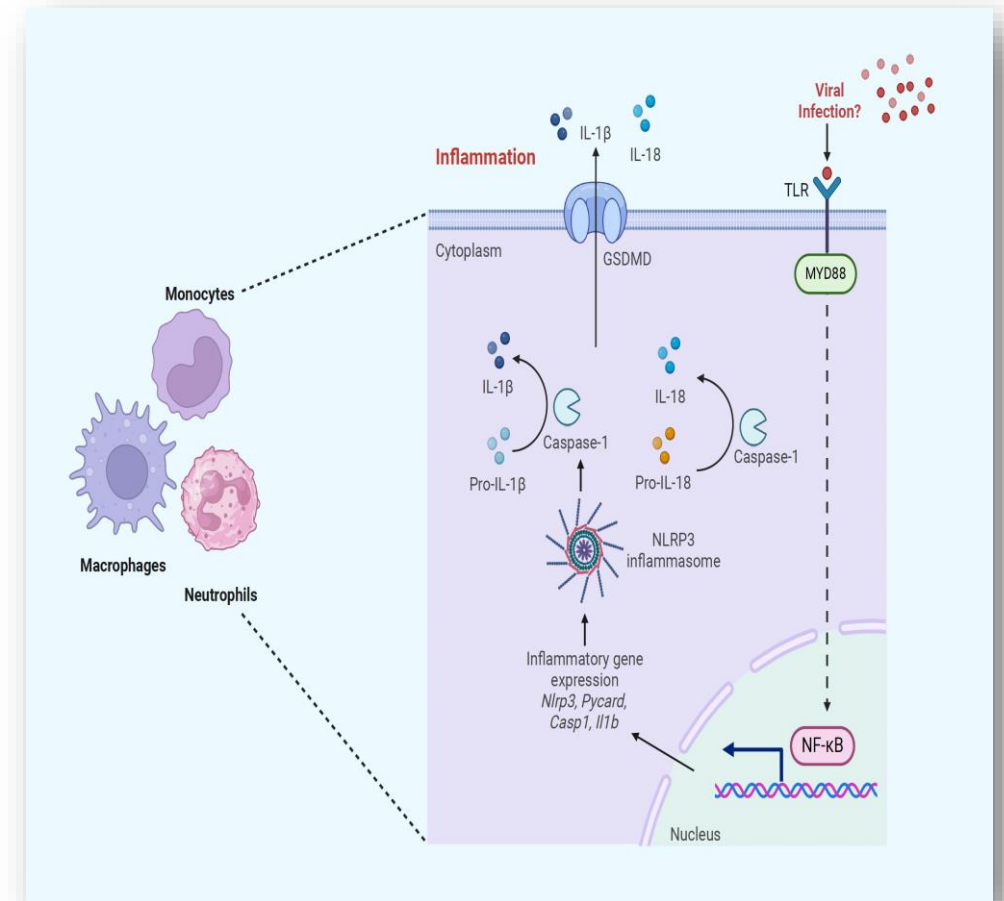
Etiology and Basic Science

Etiology and Basic Science (Animal Studies): Role of IL-1 in Pathogenesis and Treatment

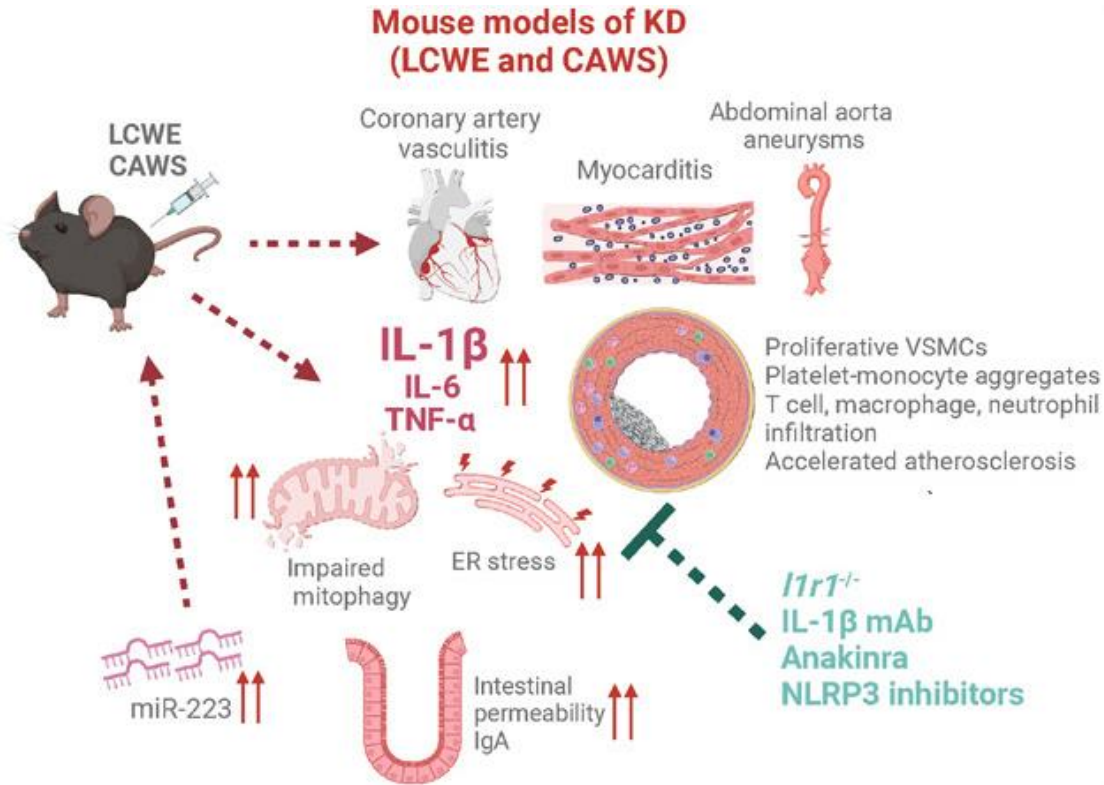
IL-1 β is crucial for host defense against infections.

Uncontrolled and dysregulated production of IL-1 β is linked to the development of a broad variety of inflammatory diseases, including KD.

**Increased expression of genes related
to either IL-1 β production or
IL-1 signaling components during human KD**



Etiology and Basic Science (Animal Studies): Role of IL-1 in Pathogenesis and Treatment



- Evidence suggests that mouse models of KD (LCWE, CAWS) are IL-1 β mediated.
- Blocking IL-1 β pathway (ex: IVIG, anakinra) reduces development of coronary arteritis.

Etiology and Basic Science (Animal Studies): Role of IL-1 in Pathogenesis and Treatment

Human trials targeting IL-1R

Clinical trials exploring the inhibition of the IL-1 pathway using the IL-1Ra (Anakinra)

ANAKID; phase I/II¹⁸⁰

ClinicalTrials.gov identifier
NCT02179853; North
America

Kawakinra; phase II⁴⁹

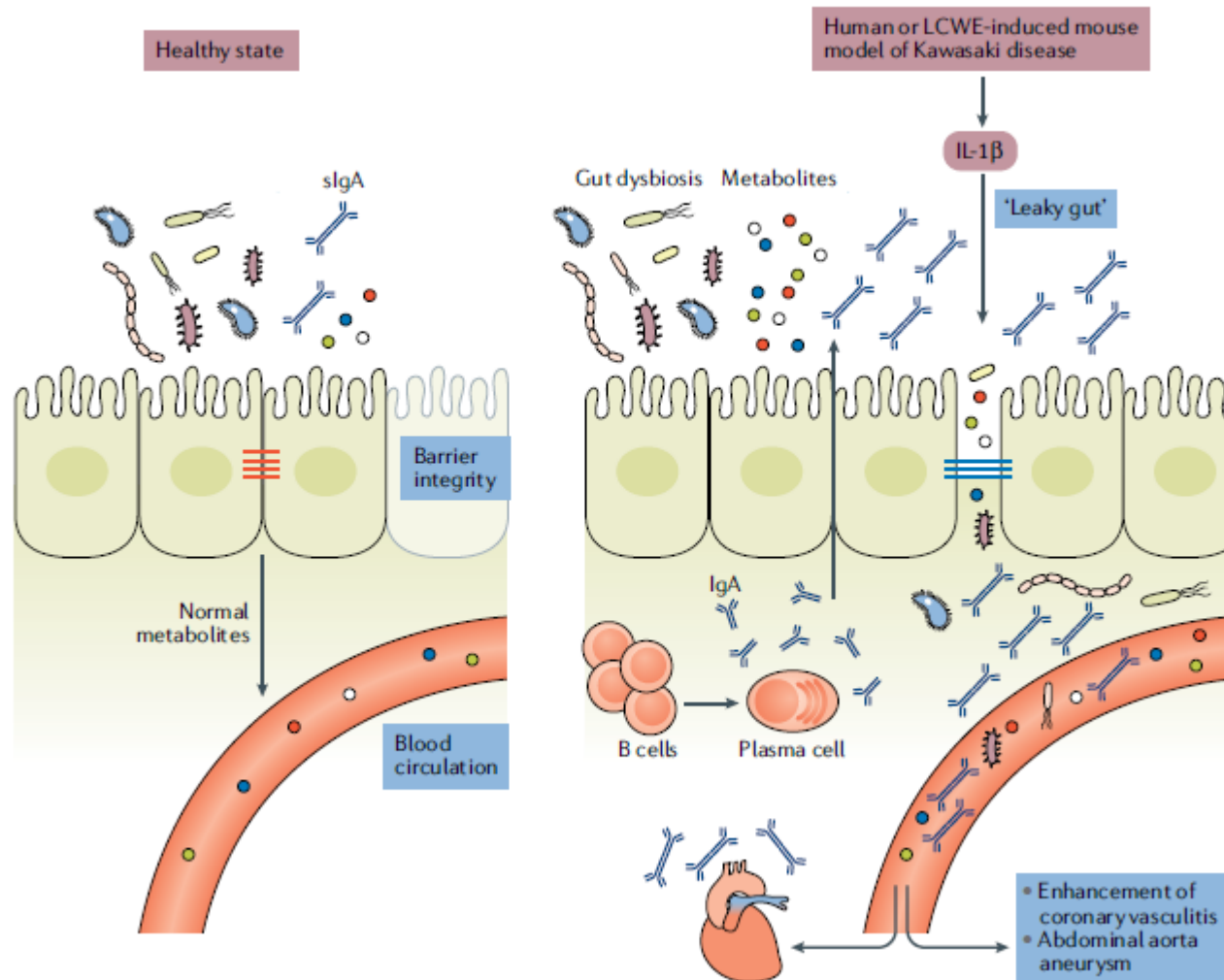
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ANACOMP; phase III

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IL-1Ra, interleukin-1 receptor antagonist.

Etiology and Basic Science (Animal Studies): Role of the Gut Microbiome



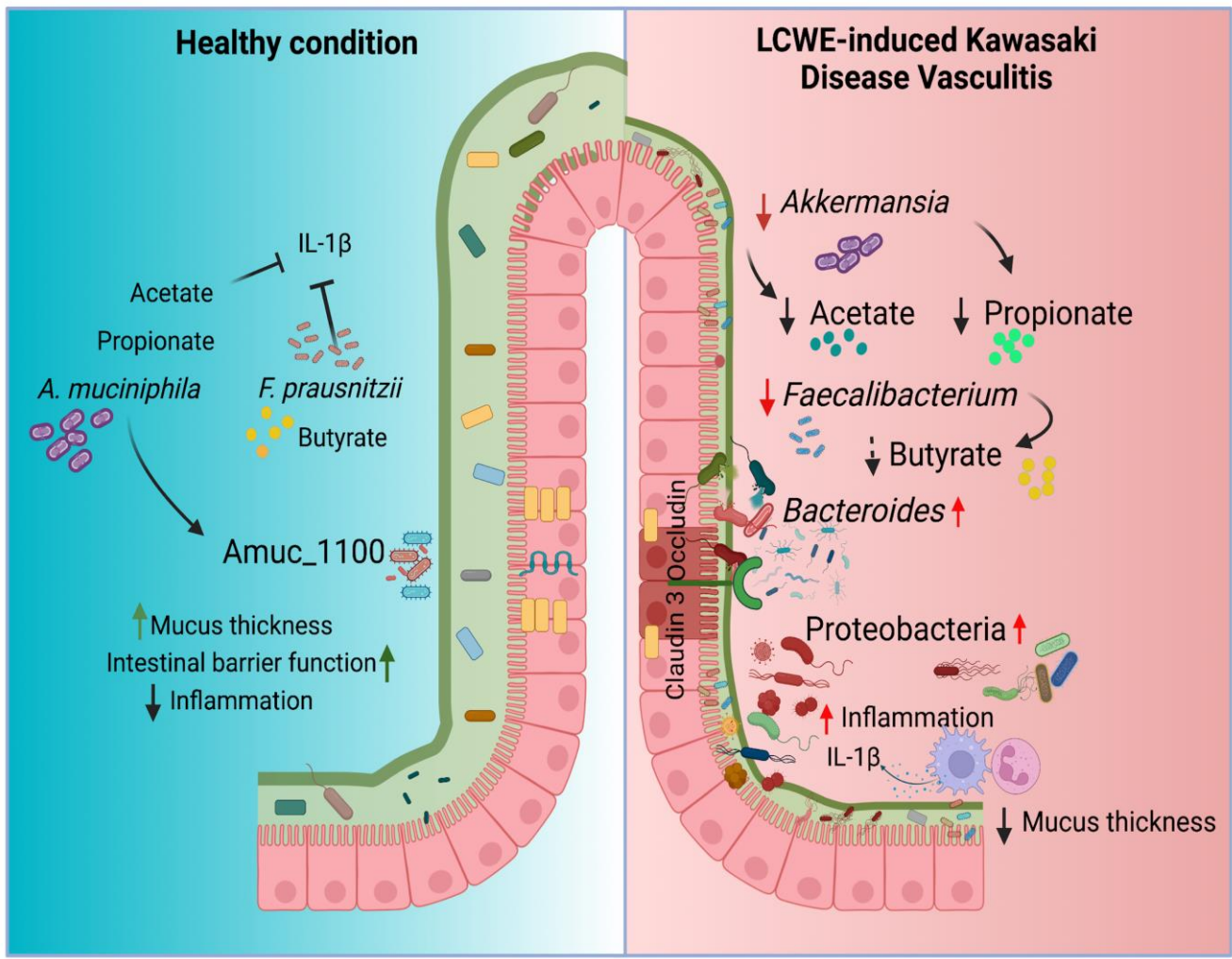
Gut vascular axis in KD??

Evidence of increased intestinal permeability and dysregulated intestinal immune response in LCWE mouse model

Excessive IL-1 β release increases intestinal permeability while IVIG decreases permeability

Differences exist in intestinal microbiota composition between KD patients and healthy controls

Etiology and Basic Science (Animal Studies): Role of the Gut Microbiome



Gut vascular axis in KD??

The development of CV was associated with alterations in the intestinal microbiota composition.

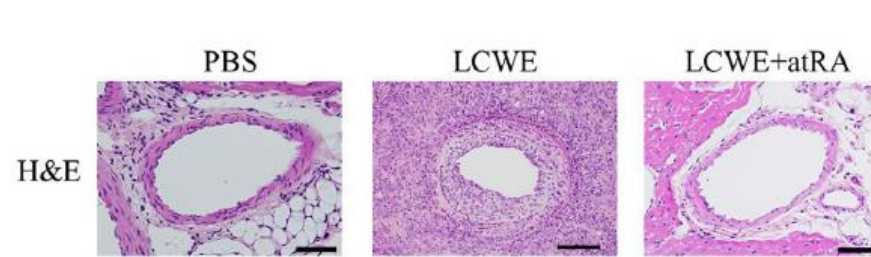
A decreased abundance of *Akkermansia muciniphila* and *Faecalibacterium prausnitzii*.

Oral supplementation with either of these live or pasteurized individual bacteria, or with short-chain fatty acids 43 (SCFAs) produced by them, attenuated CV inflammation

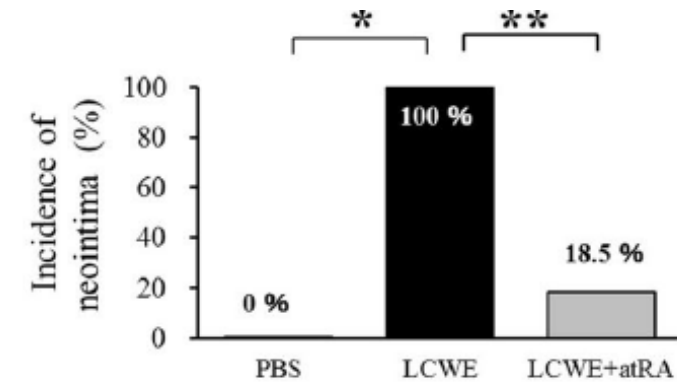
Etiology and Basic Science (Animal Studies): Therapeutic Strategies from Mouse Models

All-trans-retinoic acid (atRA)

- Suppressed CA inflammation
- Reduced incidence of CA stenosis
- Suppressed migration of smooth muscle cells

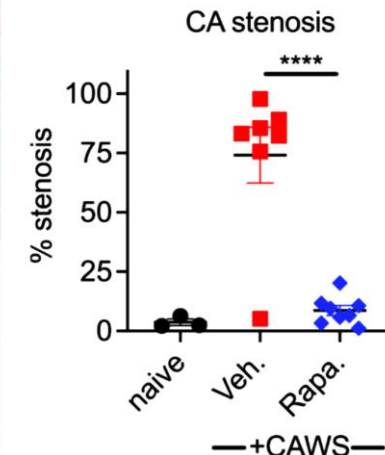
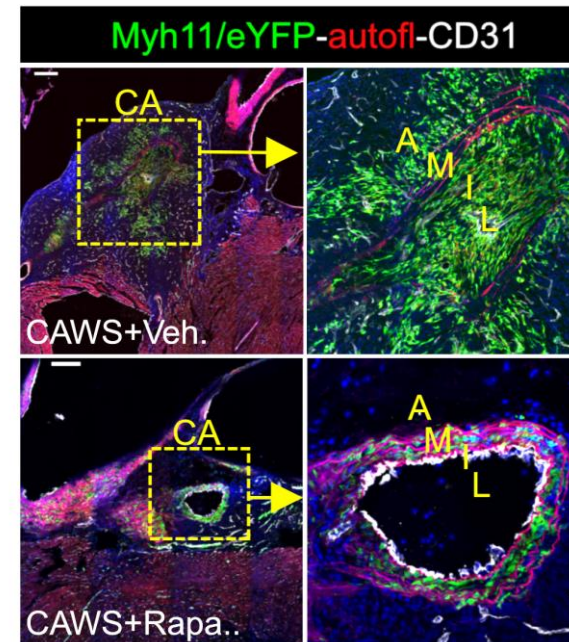


Suganuma E, et al. *Scientific Reports*. 2021.



mTOR inhibitor

- Pharmacologic mTOR inhibition stops luminal myofibroblast formation and CA stenosis
- mTOR inhibitor (sirolimus) could prevent stenosis in high-risk KD patients with giant CAA



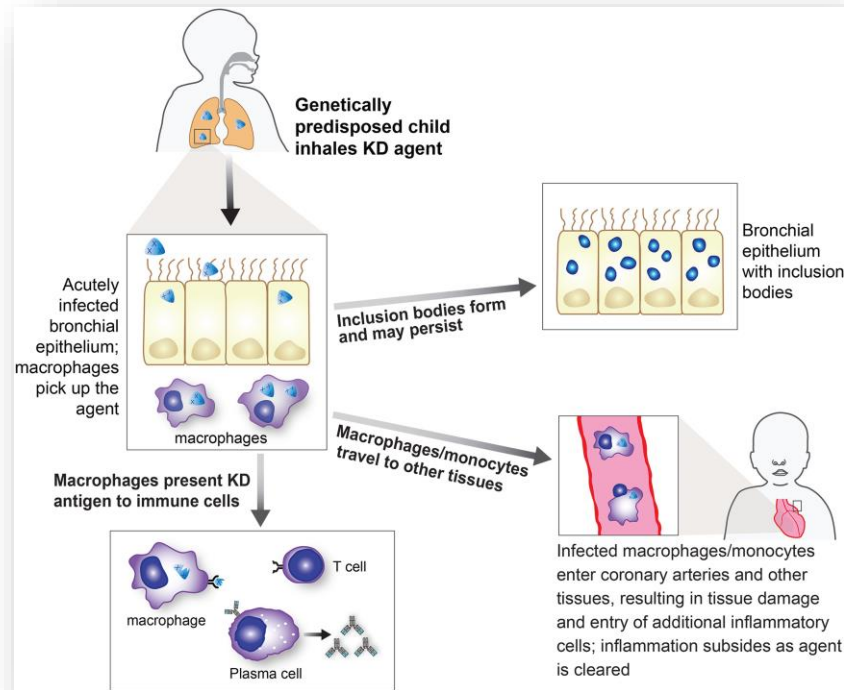
Etiology and Basic Science: Potential Viral Etiology of KD

Sequencing of VH genes from plasmablasts isolated from KD patients revealed Convergent VH3-74 antibody responses in 12/12 patients

- Antibodies recognize specific peptide sequence likely derived from KD infectious agent
- The results support one predominant “new” infectious agent as the cause of KD

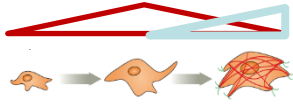
Yellow=VH3-74 heavy chain

Green=paralogs of VH3-74 with similarity scores $\geq 80\%$



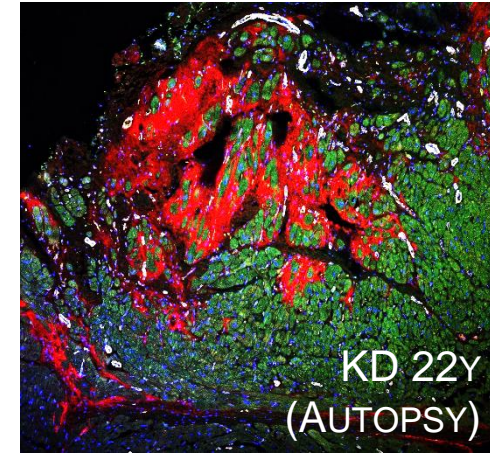
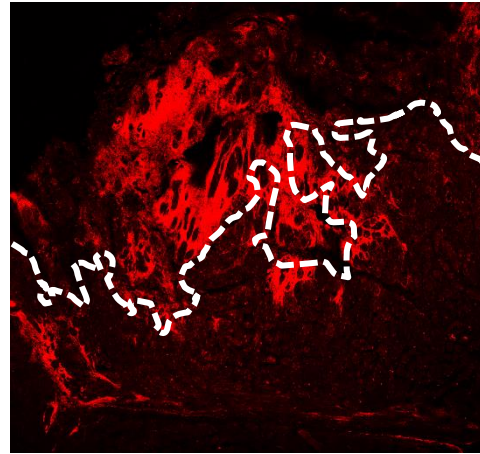
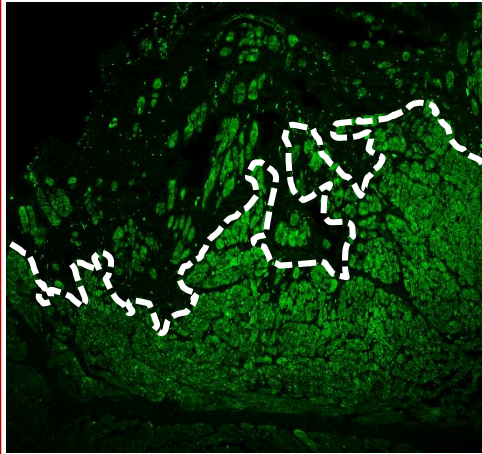
Patient	MAb	IGHV	PB isotype
KD1	KD1-2B1	3-74*01	IgA
	KD1-1H8	3-74*01	IgA
	KD1-2F3	1-18*01	IgM
KD2	KD2-1D10	3-74*01	IgG
KD3	KD3-1C10	3-74*01	IgA
KD4	KD4-2H4 ^{CE}	3-74*01	IgG
KD5	KD5-2D7	3-74*01	IgG
	KD5-2D10	3-74*01	IgG
KD6	KD6-2B2 ^{CE}	3-33*01	IgA
	KD6-2H3 ^{CE}	3-15*01	IgG
	KD6-2H8	3-74*01	IgA
	KD6-1A10 ^{CE}	3-33*03	IgA
KD7	KD7-2H5	3-74*01	IgA
	KD7-1B5	3-33*01	IgA
	KD7-1E6	3-23*01	IgA
	KD7-1D3	3-23*01	IgA
	KD7-2A9	5-10-1*03	IgA
KD8	KD8-1D4 ^{CE}	3-72*01	IgA
	KD8-2E9	3-74*01	IgG
	KD8-2C10	3-74*01	IgA
	KD8-2A9	3-21*01	IgM
	KD8-2A5	3-72*01	IgM
KD9	KD9-2F6	3-73*01	IgA
	KD9-2B1	3-21*01	IgG
	KD9-1E9	1-69*01	IgG
KD10	KD10-1G3	3-73*01	IgA
	KD10-1A8	3-74*01	IgG
	KD10-1F7 ^{CE}	1-2*02	IgA
	KD10-2F6	3-74*01	IgG
KD11	KD11-2E4	3-74*01	IgA
	KD11-2A12 ^{CE}	3-21*01	IgA
KD12	KD12-2A1 ^{CE}	3-74*01	IgA
	KD12-1F10 ^{CE}	3-21*01	IgA
	KD12-2A10 ^{CE}	3-15*07	IgG
	KD12-1G7 ^{CE}	3-66*01	IgA
	KD12-1H2 ^{CE}	3-21*01	IgA

Etiology and Basic Science: Dynamic Changes in Ventricular Remodeling



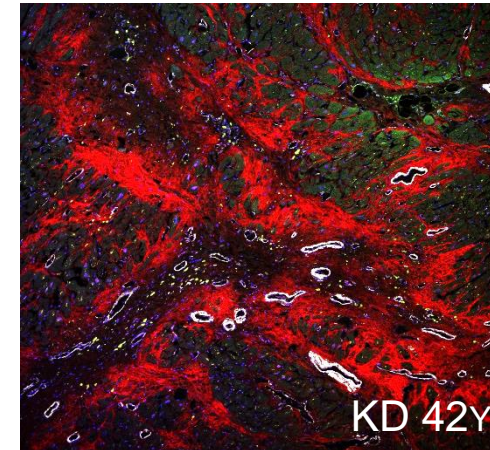
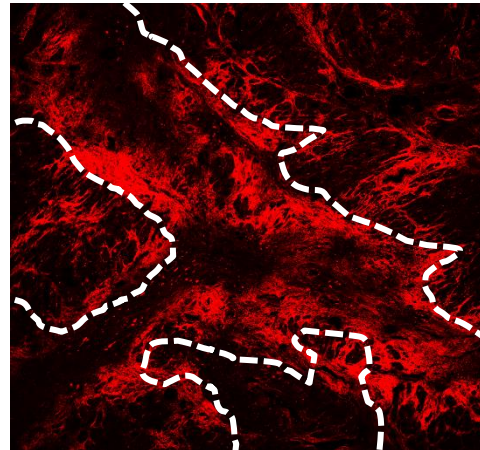
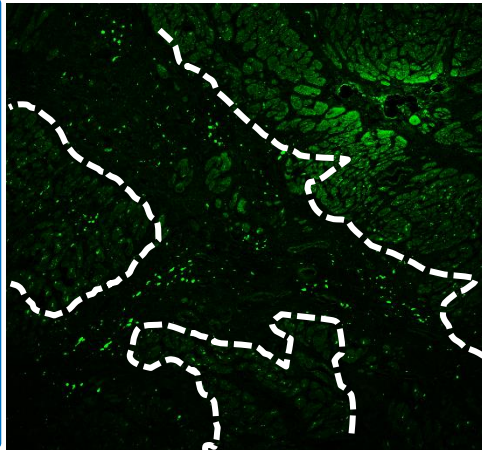
**Cardiac fibrosis
is progressive
and dynamic in
each KD patient**

Cardiomyocyte / POSTN



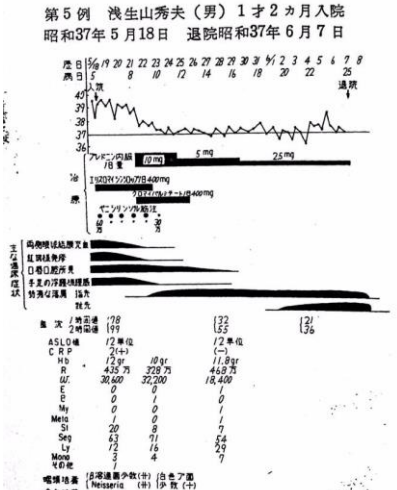
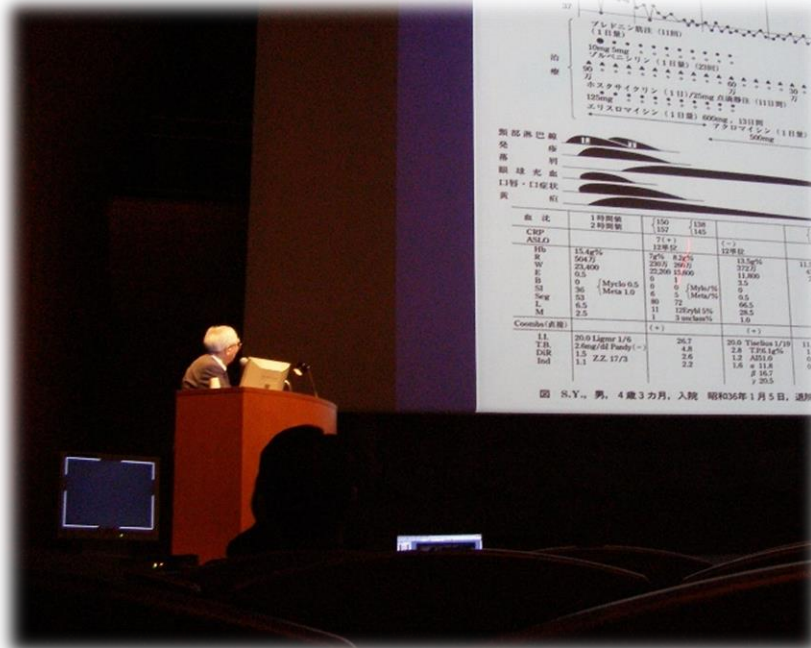
KD 22Y
(AUTOPSY)

Cardiomyocyte / ASPN



KD 42Y

Dr. Kawasaki Memorial Lecture





Genetics and Environmental Science

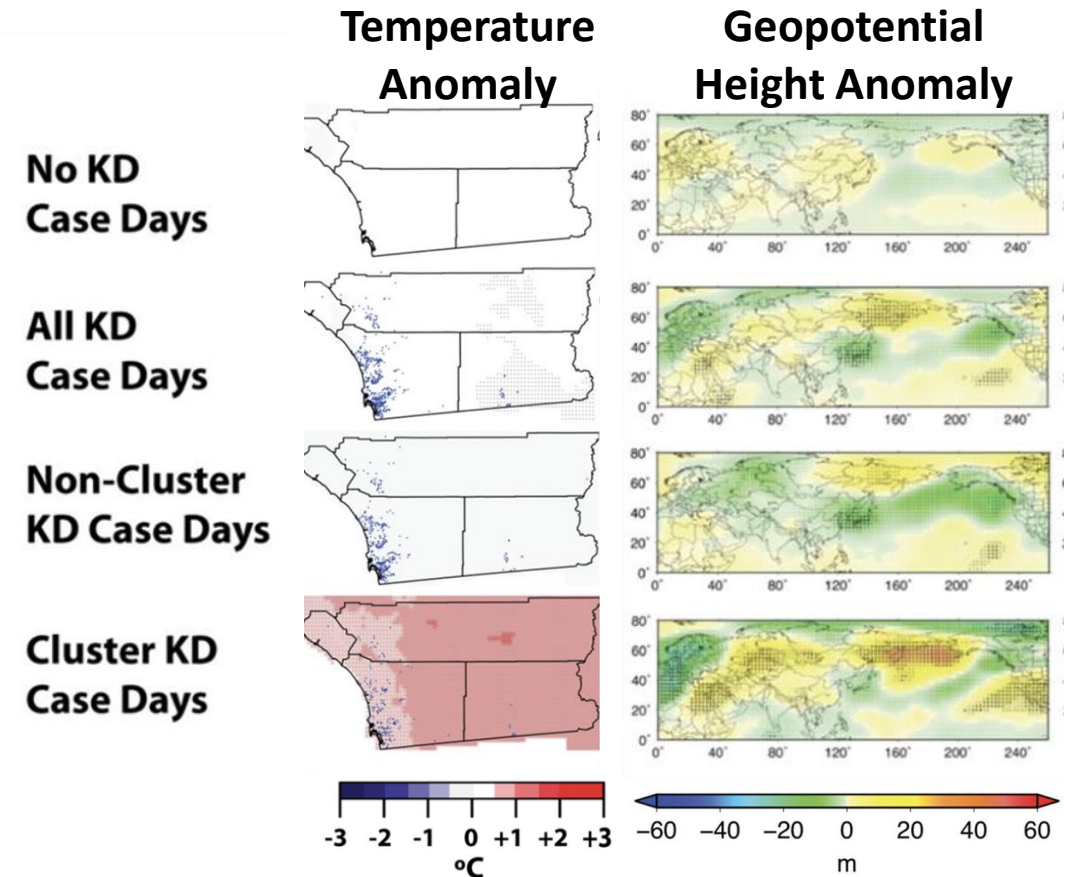
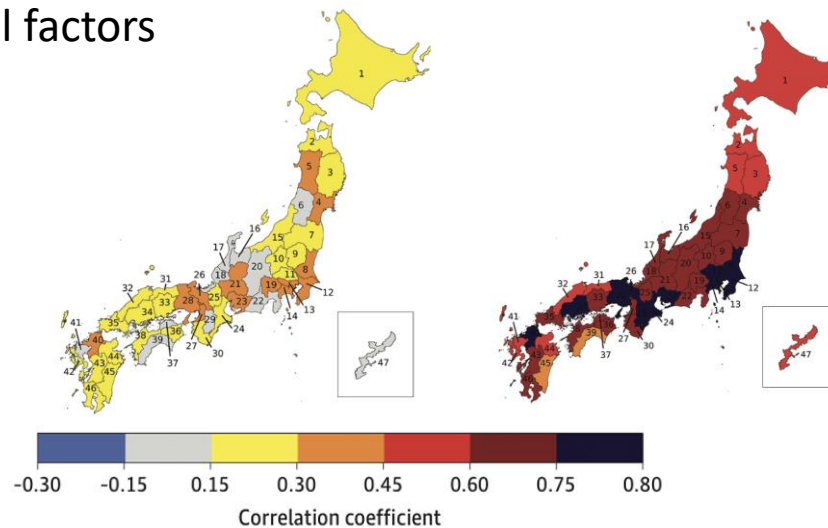
Genetics and Environmental Science: Temporal Clustering and Climatology

>1000 KD cases in San Diego over 15 years

- Temporal clusters of KD cases noted
- Associated with regional air temperature anomalies and large-scale atmospheric circulation patterns

Seasonal pattern across Japan, 1988-2019

- Higher correlations of incidence across regions in older patients compared to infants
- Suggest combination of environmental and social factors

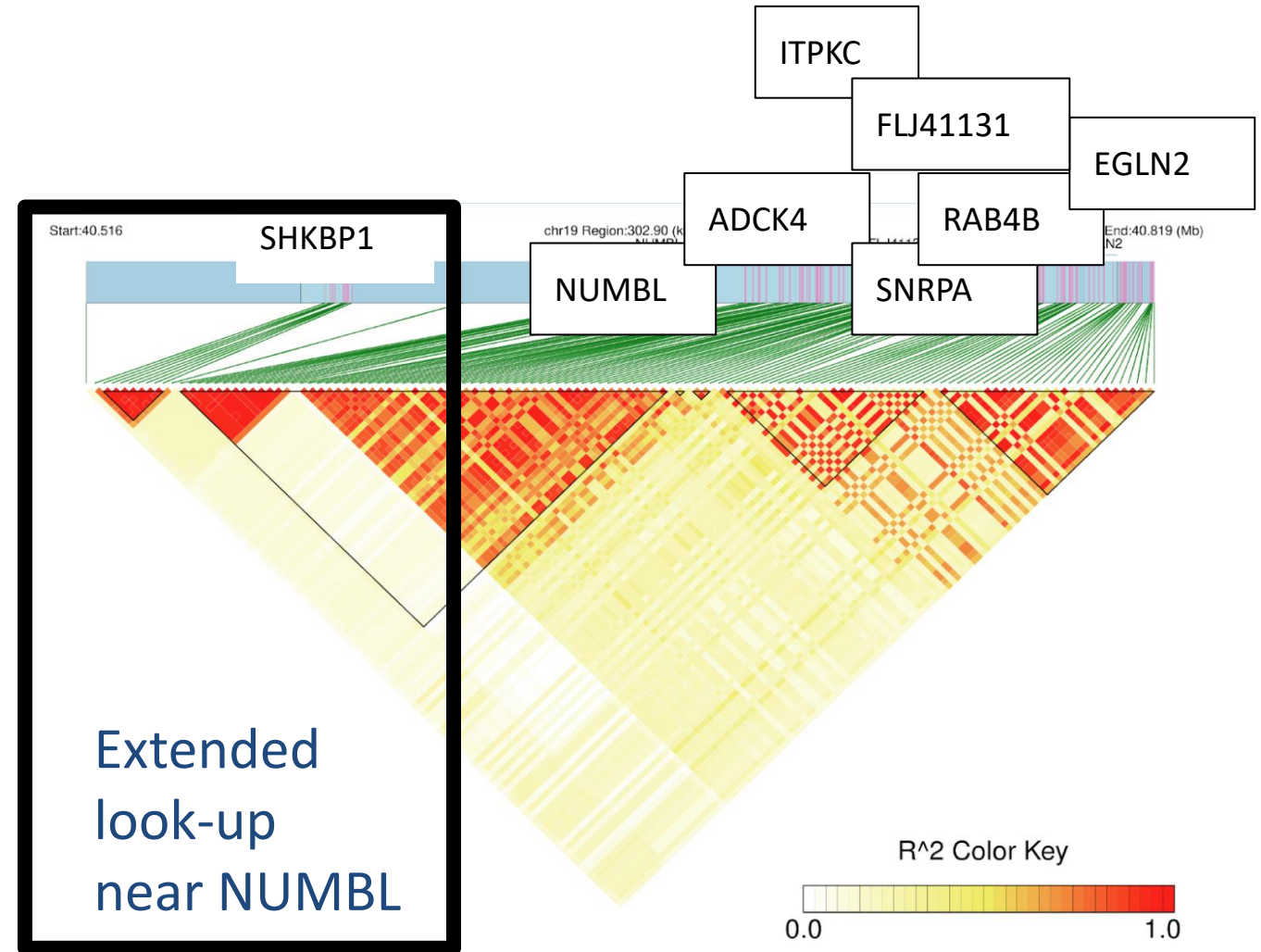


Genetics and Environmental Science: New Frontiers in KD Genetics

GWAS Hispanic

Successfully validated previously discovered variants near ITPKC gene.

Identified novel variants in SHKBP1 gene associated with KD susceptibility.



Genetics and Environmental Science: Genetics and Treatment Resistance

Is there genetic heterogeneity?

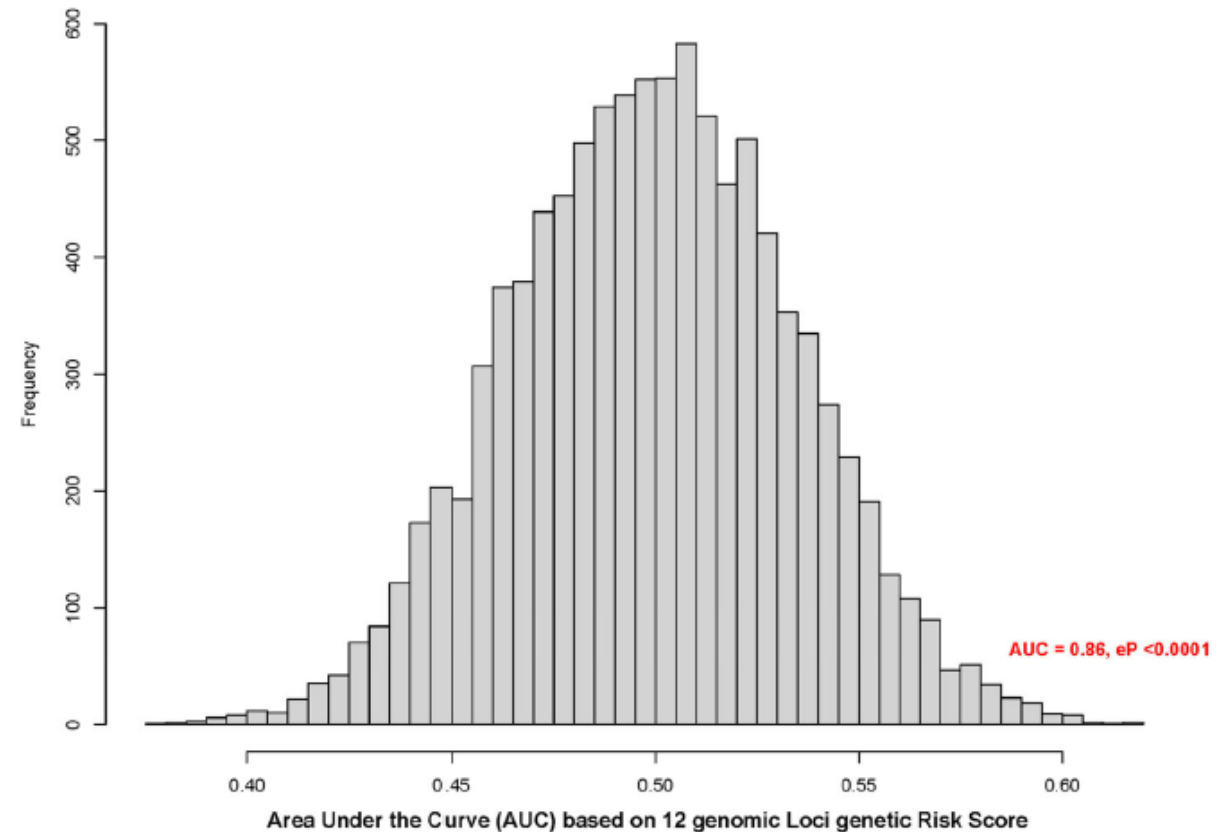
Is there genetic association with treatment response and outcome?

Whole Genome Sequencing association analysis of
472 patients with KD
(234 with CAA, 238 without CAA)

Identification of 12 genomic risk loci mapped to
48 genes for CAA $z \geq 5$

Genetic risk score – AUC 0.86

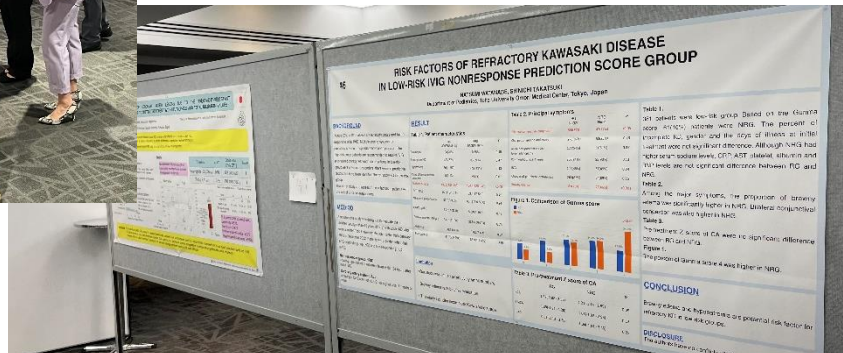
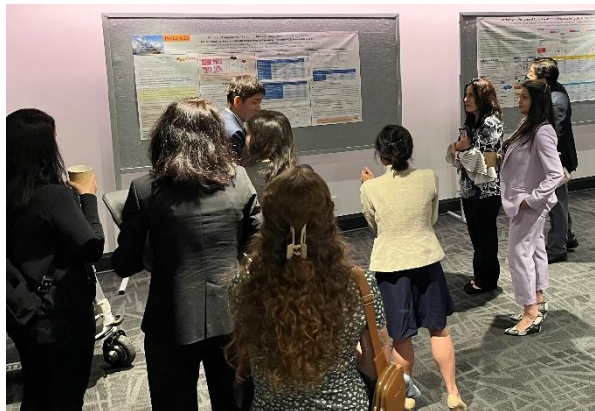
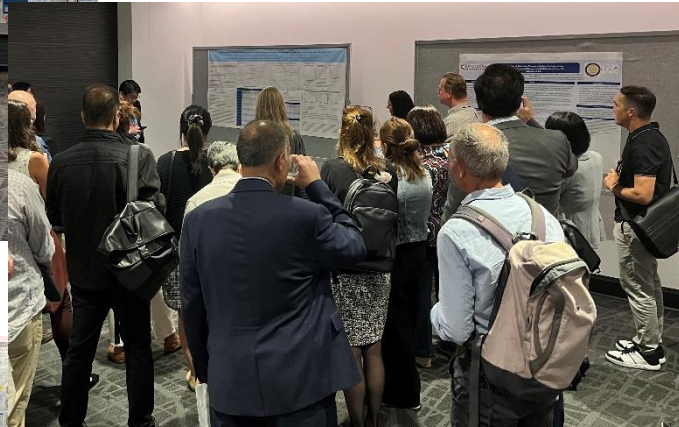
Goal: identify personalized therapeutic approaches



Poster Presentations

Highlights of Poster Presentations

- Importance of patient/family education
- Artificial intelligence models to predict CAA
- Lack of effectiveness of high-dose aspirin
- ARB or ACE inhibitor's role in CAA regression
- Necessity to develop IVIG-resistance prediction scoring system for infant KD
- Importance of early use of adjunctive therapy to reduce CAA in high-risk infants





Acute KD Imaging

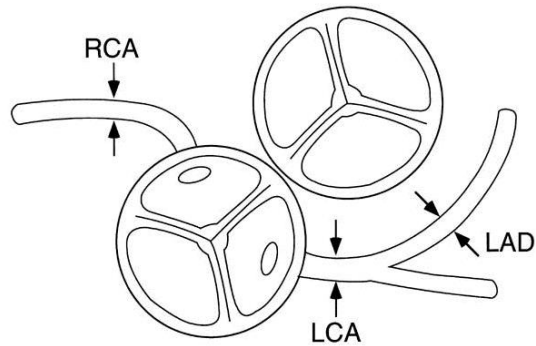
Acute KD Imaging: Echocardiography

High sensitivity and specificity for coronary abnormalities

Importance of accurate measurements and optimizing settings:

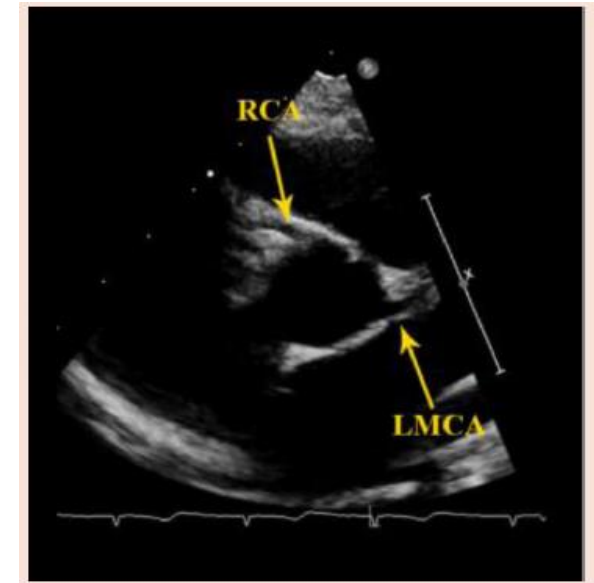
- High frequency probe
- Black/white: lower gain, higher compression
- Color: lower Nyquist color Doppler
- Measurements: inner edge to inner edge

Most common CA involvement: LAD > RCA > LMCA > Cx



de Zorzi A, et al. *Journal of Pediatrics*. 1998.

Benefits of echocardiography beyond the coronaries
with subtle myocardial changes via strain assessments



Acute KD Imaging: Coronary Artery Z-Score Round Table Discussion

Case Presentation

- 3-month-old Caucasian male presenting with:
- Fever x 6 days and clinical features of KD
- Labs: CRP 11.2 mg/dL, ESR 82 mm/hr, platelets 464 thou/ μ L

	LMCA	LAD	RCA
Diameter (mm)	2.7	2	2
Canada	3.62	2.74	2.14
Japan	3.85	2.51	2.44
PHN, USA	2.55	4	1.71
Boston, USA	2.35	2.47	1.91
Taiwan	3.12	1.77	1.96
Korea	2.67	2.14	2.03
Italy	2.55	3.1	2.6

Z-Score Measurements:

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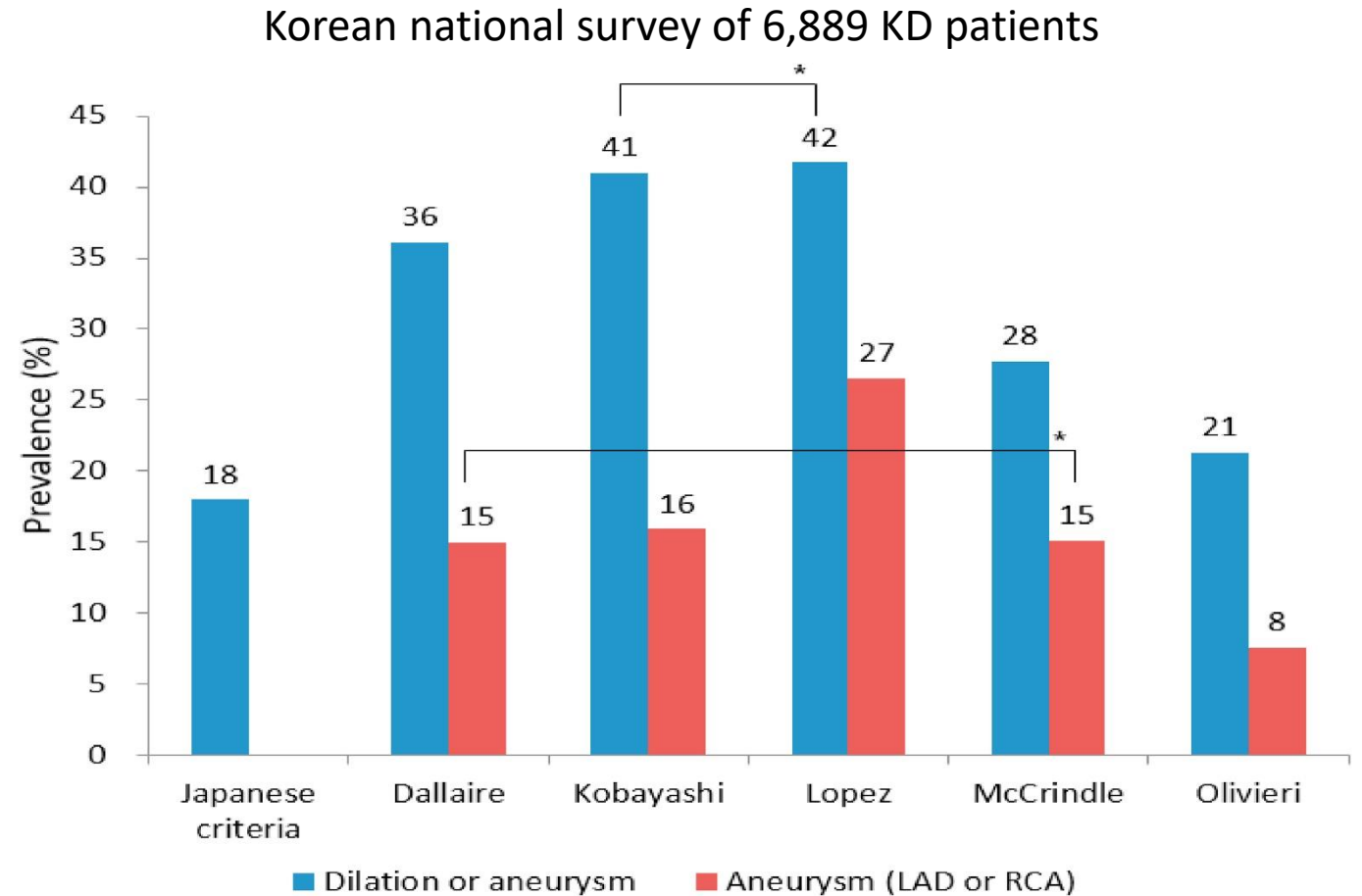
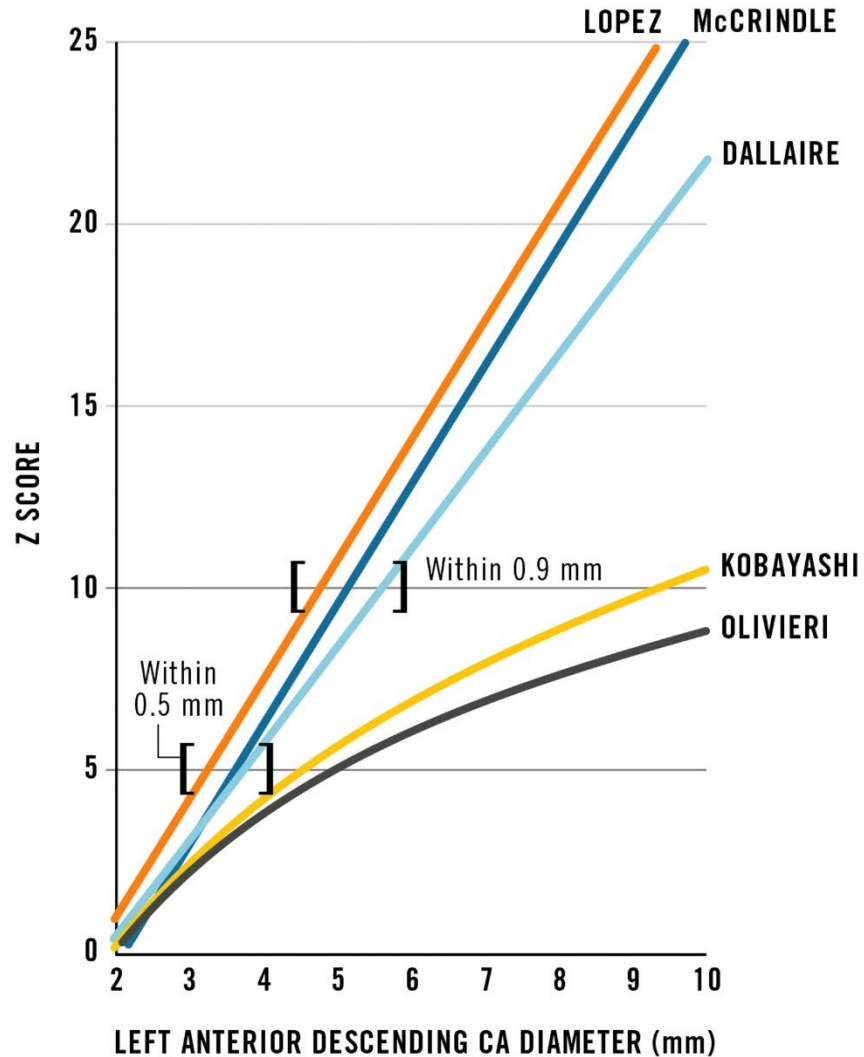
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Acute KD Imaging: Variability of Z-scores

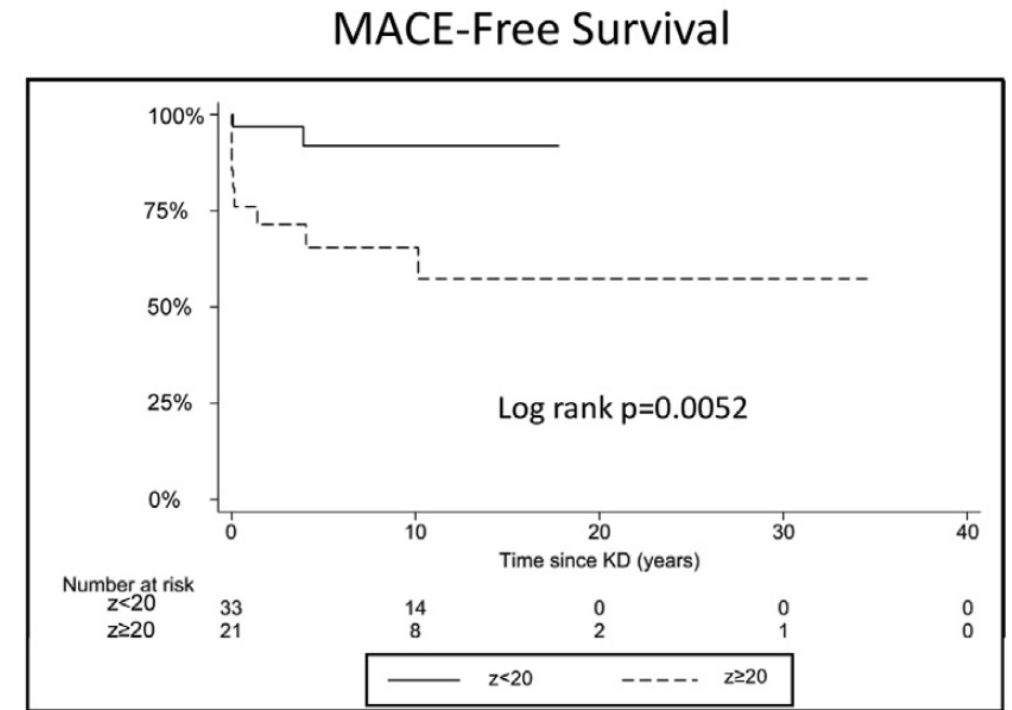


Acute KD Imaging: Z-Scores

Larger CAA are associated with higher risk of major adverse events, primarily z-score ≥ 10 .

There are different methods of calculating z-scores, reflecting different normative values in diverse patient populations and various methodologies.

Z-scores calculations should not be used interchangeably. Consistency is important.



Elias MD, et al. *Journal of Pediatrics*. 2024.

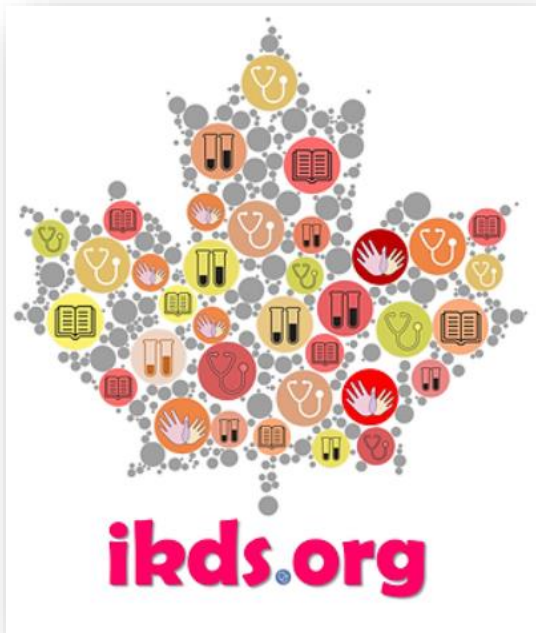


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Day 2 Agenda



Young Investigator Oral abstract competition



Bioinformatics and AI



Breakouts



Cardiac imaging CAA follow-up



Re-examining use of ASA and approaches to anticoagulation



Cardiovascular Immunology

Highlights



New insights into KD pathogenesis



KD (early) diagnostic tools



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CV imaging and treatment

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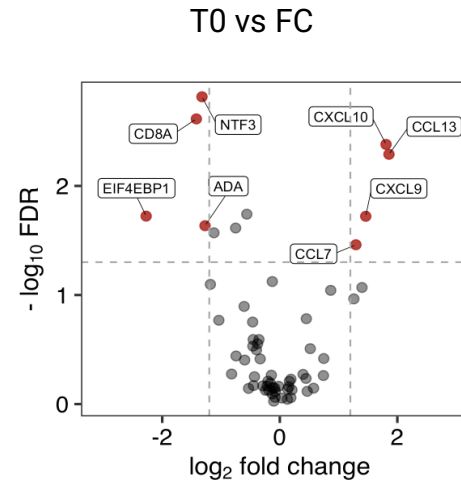
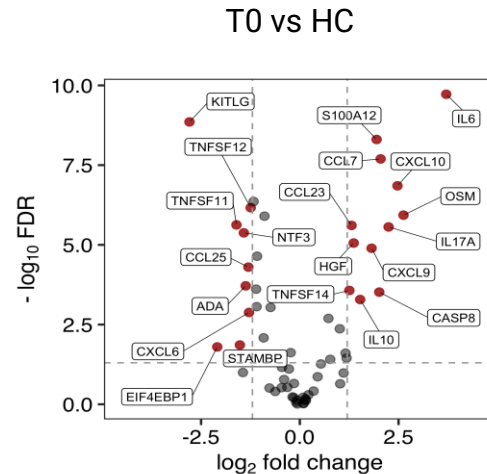
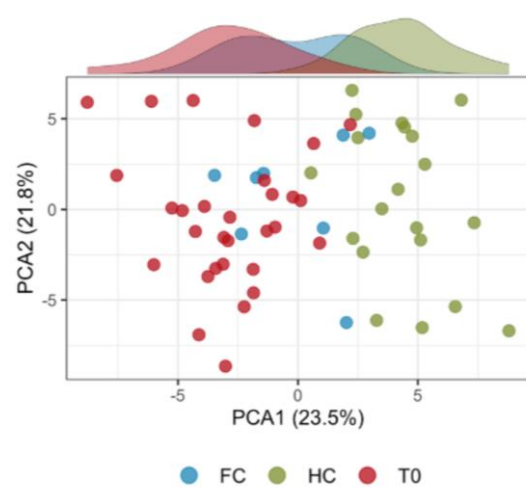


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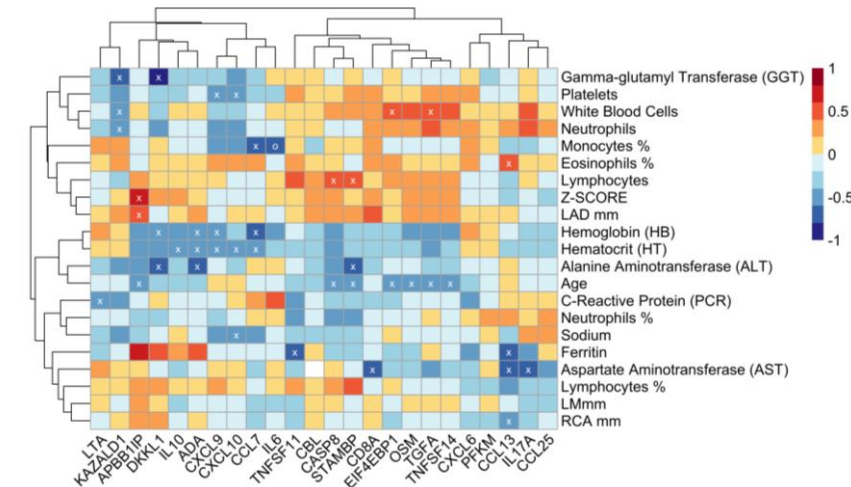
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Multi-modal immune dynamics of pre-COVID-19 Kawasaki Disease following Intravenous Immunoglobulin

- Respect febrile controls, inflammation profile in KD is characterized by Th-1 chemokines (CXCL9, CXCL10, CCL7, CCL13)

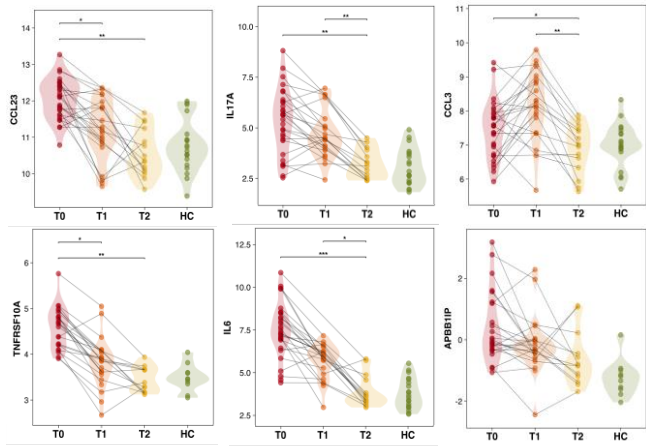


- APBB1IP correlated with higher echocardiogram values and linked to coronary artery involvement.

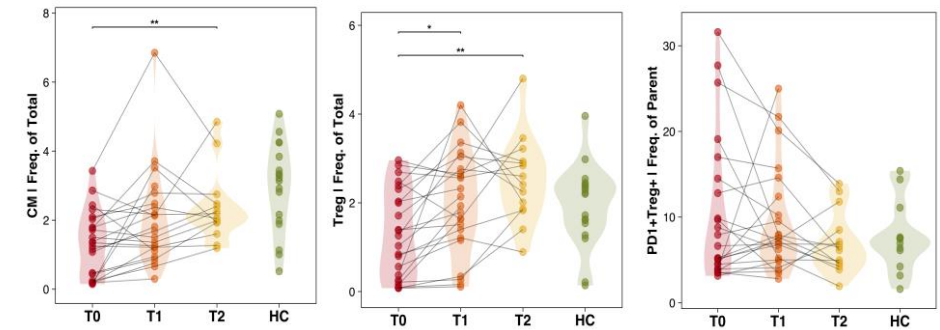


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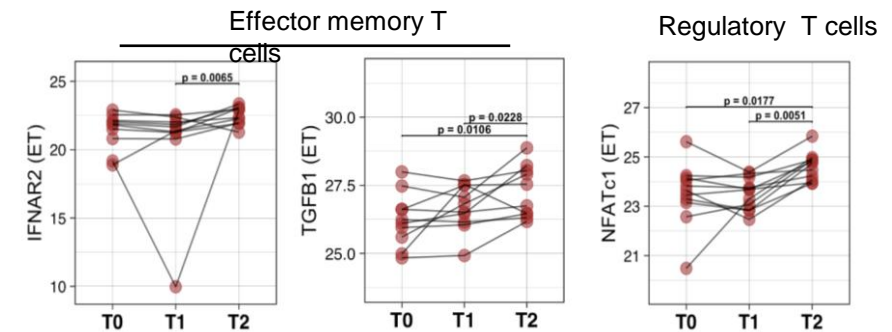
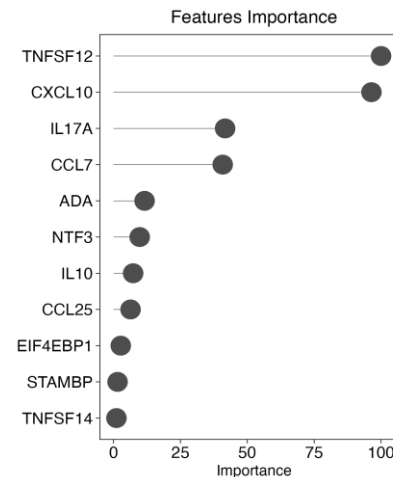
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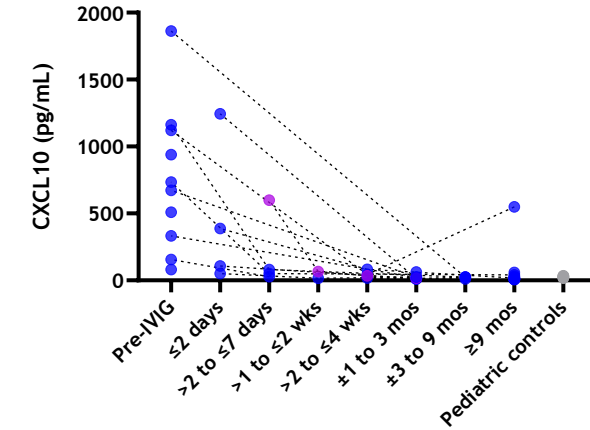
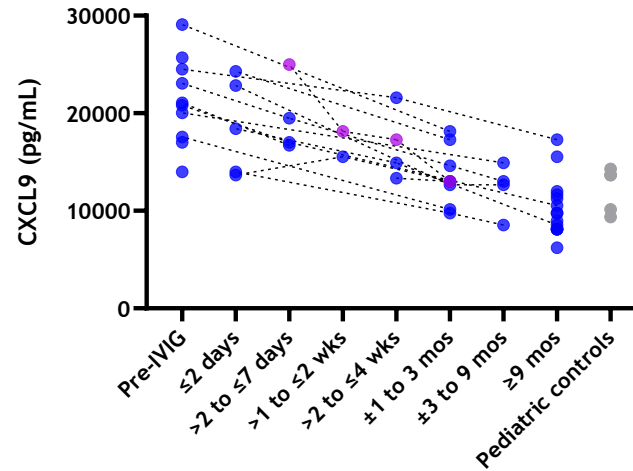
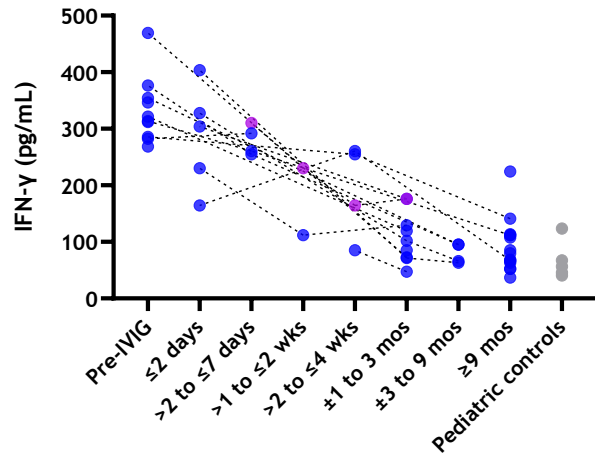
-IVIG modify the levels of proteins (IL-6, IL-17A, L-17C, CXCL11, CXCL10, CXCL9, CCL23, TNF, VEGF9) and modulates Treg cells and their gene expression profile.



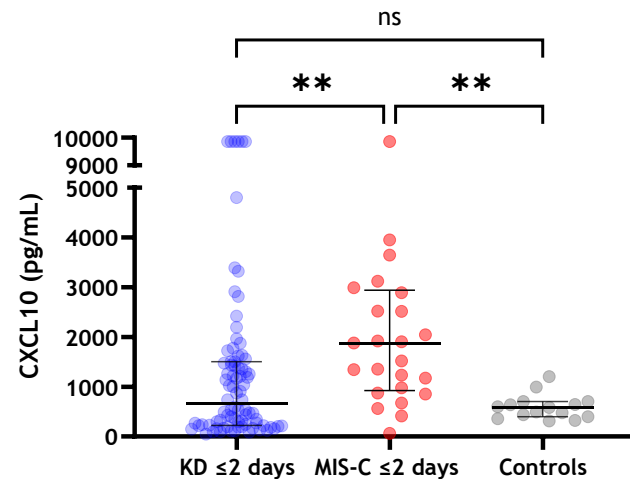
-ML approach identified key proteins that distinguish KD thus offering insights into KD pathogenesis as well as valuable information on prognostic indicators.



Immunological Biomarkers in KD



CXCL10 higher in MIS-C than KD
→ correlated with disease severity (ICU admission)

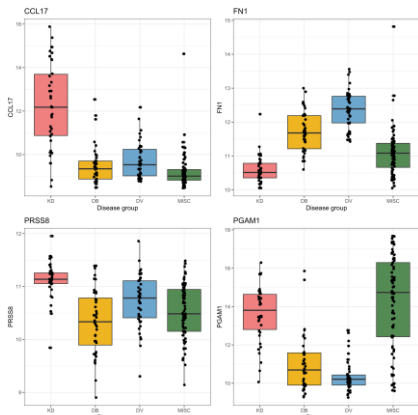


Giant CAA, IVIG resistance, treatment >10 days

Striking difference between KD and MIS-C is the hallmark Vβ21.3 expansion seen in MIS-C and not in KD

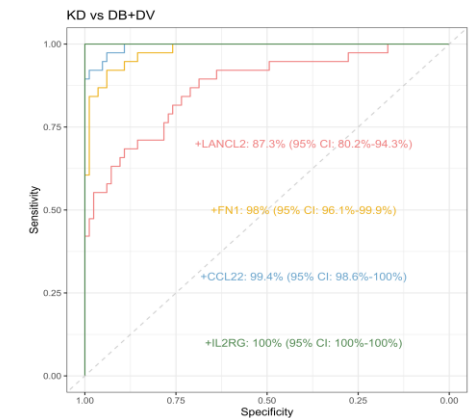
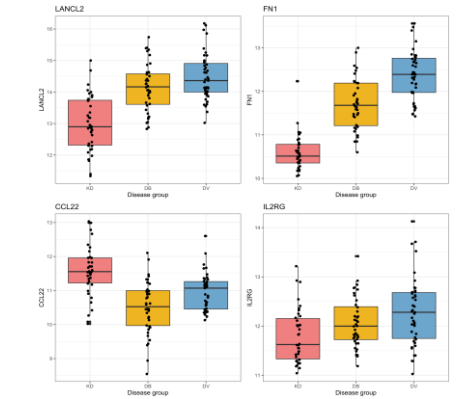
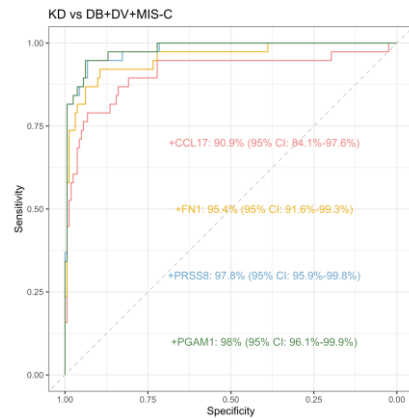
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A Host Protein Signature to Distinguish KD from Other Infectious and Inflammatory Diseases



4 proteins can distinguish KD from other pediatric infectious and inflammatory syndromes

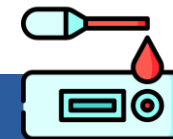
Protein	Model	Role in KD
Fibronectin (FN1)	DB+DV+MIS-C (M1); DB+DV (M1)	pathogenesis of coronary artery lesions in KD
C-C Motif Chemokine 17 (CCL17)	DB+DV+MIS-C (M1)	susceptibility and formation of coronary artery aneurysm in KD
Phosphoglycerate Mutase 1 (PGAM1)	DB+DV+MIS-C (M1)	Promotes cardiac fibrosis by affecting cardiac-hypertrophy associated proteins
C-C Motif Chemokine 22 (CCL22)	DB+DV+MIS-C (M3); DB+DV (M1)	Activated in acute KD stimulating cell recruitment; Increased concentration in serum



translation to point-of-care diagnostic test feasible

KD vs DB	KD vs DV	KD vs MIS-C
98.8% (CI: 97.1 – 100%)	98.4% (CI: 96.6% - 100%)	97.4% (CI: 94.8 – 100%)

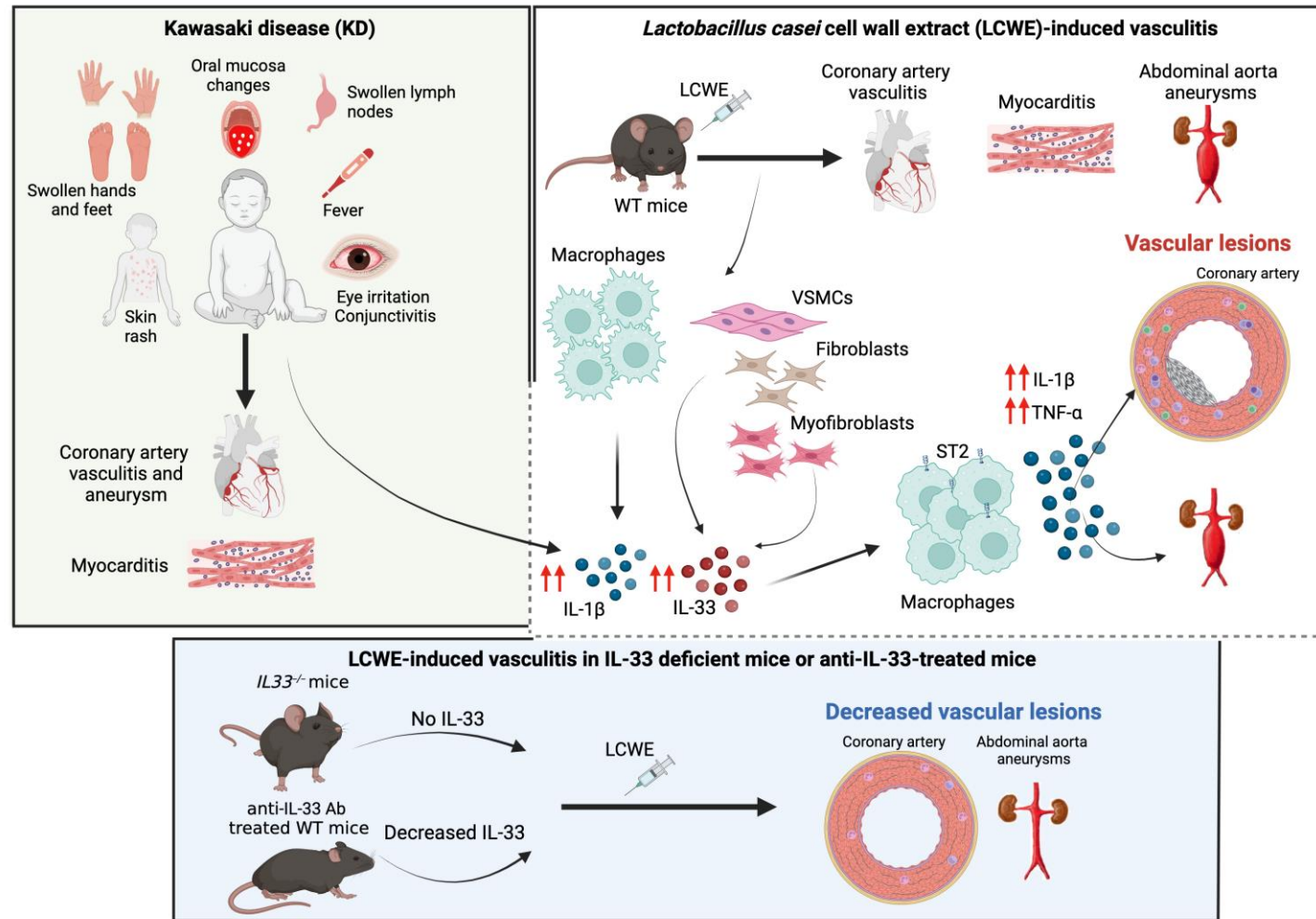
Adapted from Sophia Yeoh



KD vs DB	KD vs DV
100% (95% CI: 100 – 100%)	100% (95% CI: 100% - 100%)

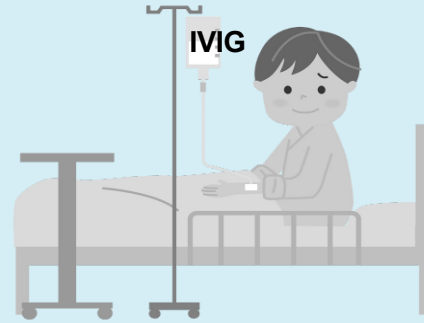
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IL-33 promotes cardiovascular lesion development by boosting IL-1 β production in a murine model of KD



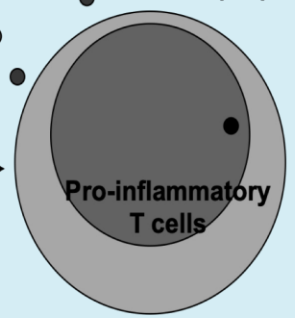
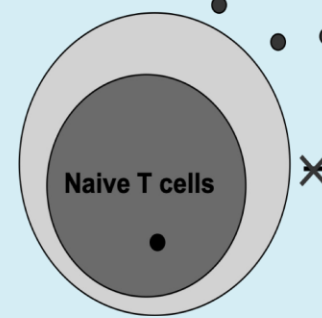
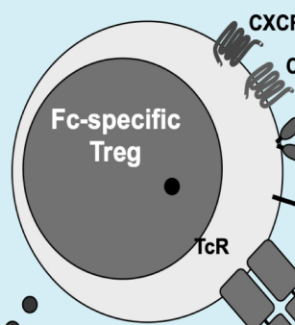
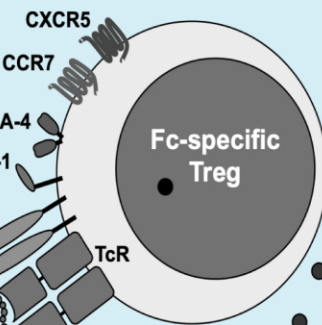
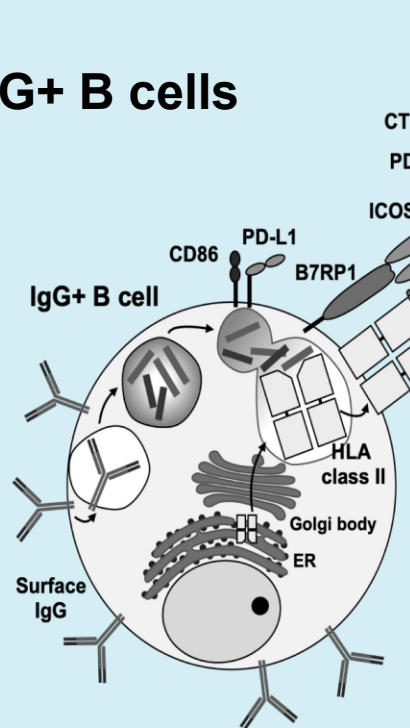
Role of regulatory T-cells in pathogenesis and therapeutics of KD

Fc-specific Treg are primed by
IgG+ B cells

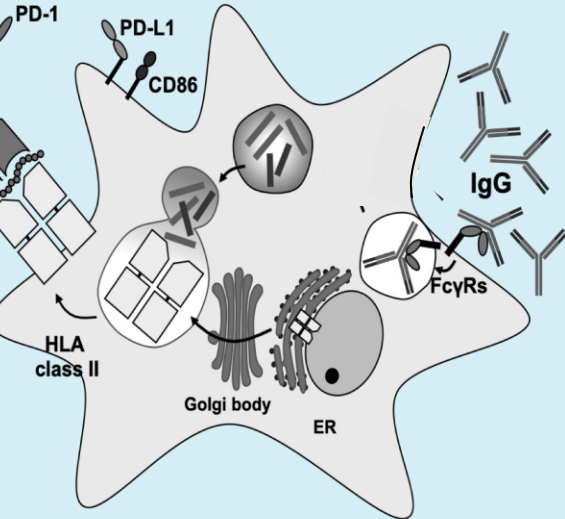


The antigen processing of IgG is slow
and inefficient in KD
VIG therapy provides a sufficient dose of
IgG to allow the processing and
presentation to Treg of Fc peptides

IgG+ B cells



**Tolerogenic
Dendritic cells**



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Evaluation of the 2017 AHA Incomplete KD Diagnostic Algorithm and a Data-driven Proposal of Changes



	2017 AHA	Proposed cutoffs
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ESR (mm/hr)	≥ 40	≥ <u>15</u>
Platelets (10 ³ /ml)	≥ 450 (after day 7)	≥ <u>400</u> (any day)
Albumin (g/dl)	≤ 3.0	≤ <u>3.2</u>
WBC (10 ³ /μl)	≥ 15	≥ <u>25</u>
Urinalysis (WBC/μl)	≥ 50	≥ <u>50</u>

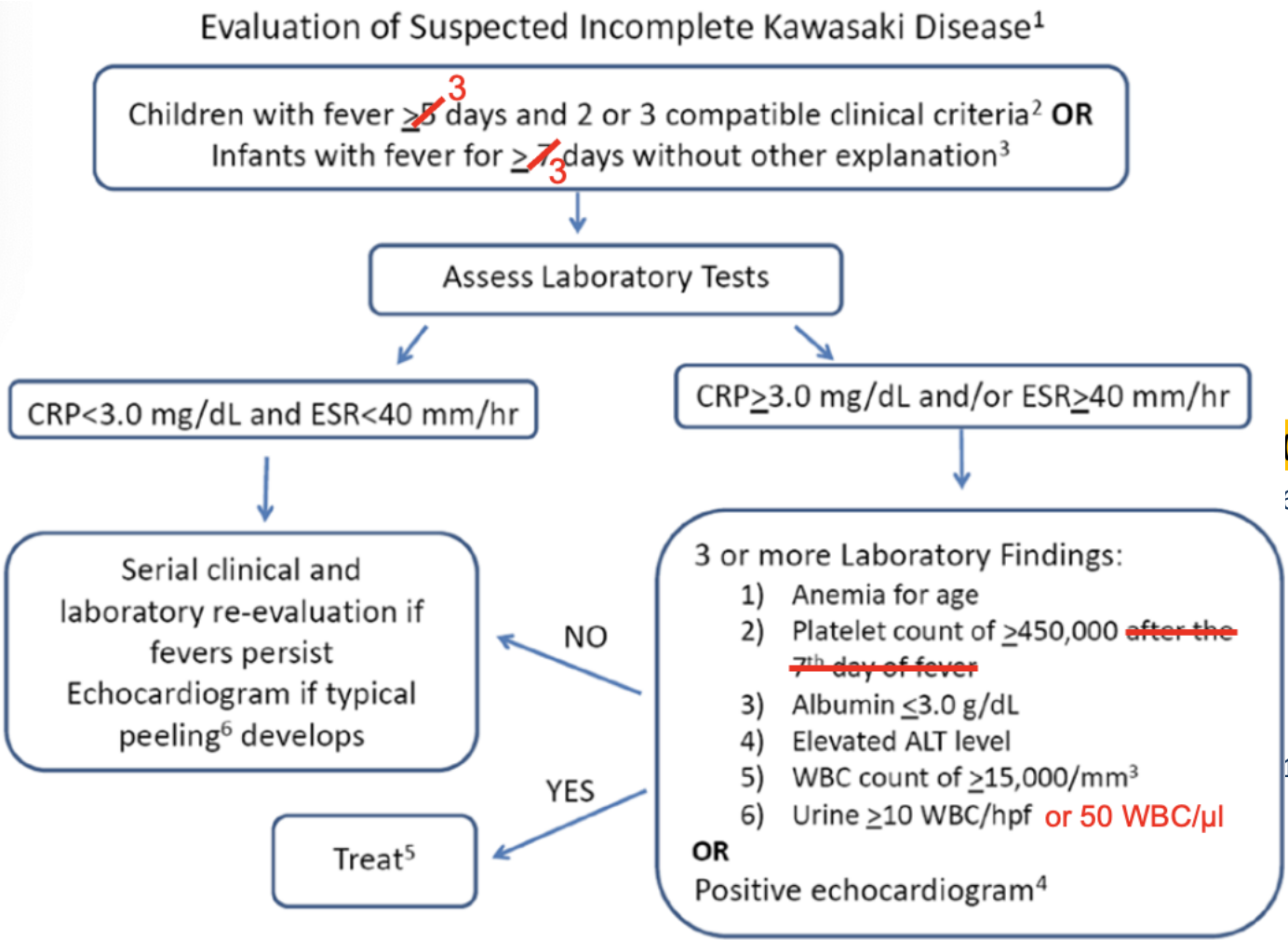
				Sens (%)	Spec (%)	PPV (%)	NPV (%)	AUC
AHA 2017 algorithm		KD	FC	87.8	75.6	78.3	86.1	0.817
	Positive	36	10					
	Negative	5	31					
Proposed cut-offs		KD	FC	90.2	95.1	94.9	90.7	0.927
	Positive	37	2					
	Negative	4	39					

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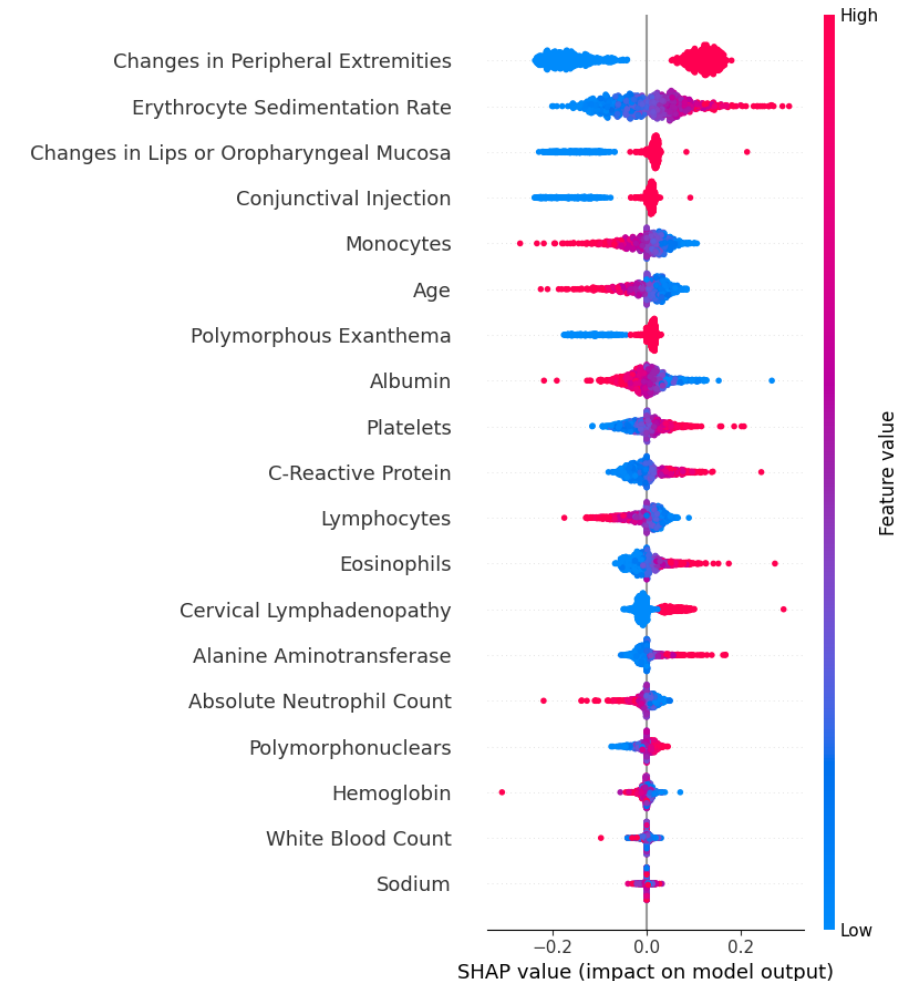
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Bioinformatic and AI: Diagnostic and Management tools

Kawasaki MATCH: A Clinical Decision Support Tool for KD

Most important features of the model correlate with well-characterized KD clinical variables

- Increase in the prevalence of clinical signs
- High ESR
- Low monocyte %
- Younger age



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KIDMATCH Calculator

This calculator is intended to be used for pediatric patients where multisystem inflammatory syndrome (MIS-C) or Kawasaki disease (KD) is a possible diagnosis. The information, data, results, and output of this calculator are not intended to be used as a decision-making tool and/or as a replacement for professional expertise and/or judgment.

Medical Record Number

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

Clinical Characteristics

Blood Count Differential <input checked="" type="radio"/> Manual <input type="radio"/> Automated	Polymorphous Exanthema <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes	Conjunctival Injection <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes
Changes in Lips/Oropharyngeal Mucosa <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes	Cervical Lymphadenopathy <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes	Changes in Peripheral Extremities <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Yes

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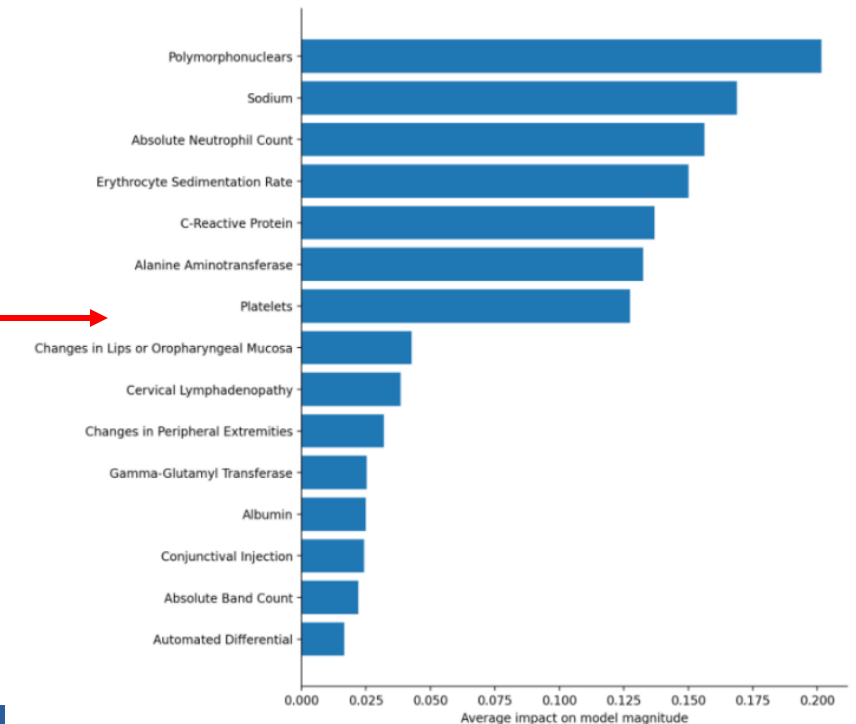
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Lymphocytes (%) <input type="text"/>	Albumin (G/dL) <input type="text"/>	Alanine Aminotransferase (IU/L) <input type="text"/>
Atypical Lymphocytes (%) <input type="text"/>	Sodium (mmol/L) <input type="text"/>	Gamma-Glutamyl Transferase (IU/L) <input type="text"/>

Determine Feature Importance

MIS-C Risk Score:

99.95%

Features that are more important to the model risk score of 99.95% have a higher impact.

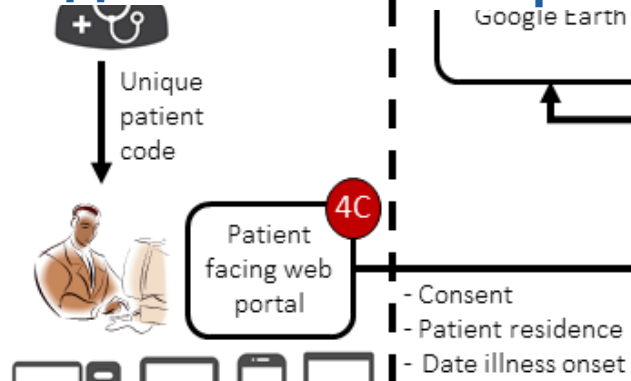


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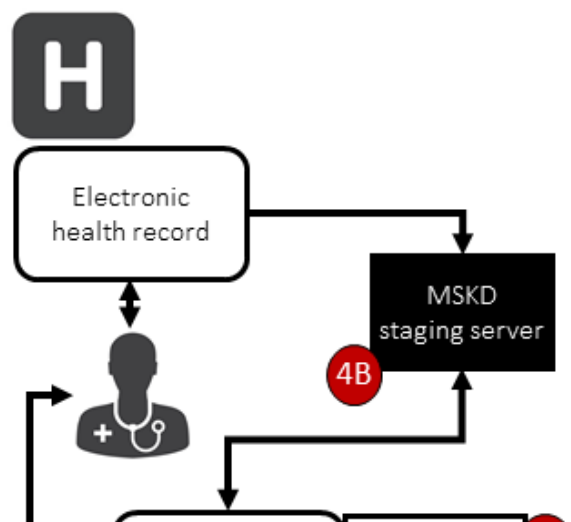
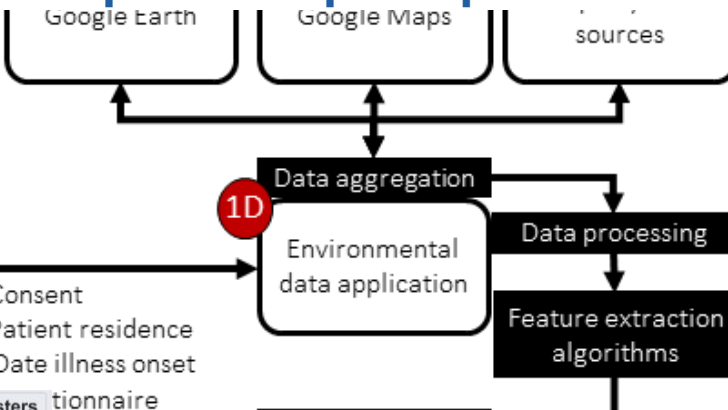
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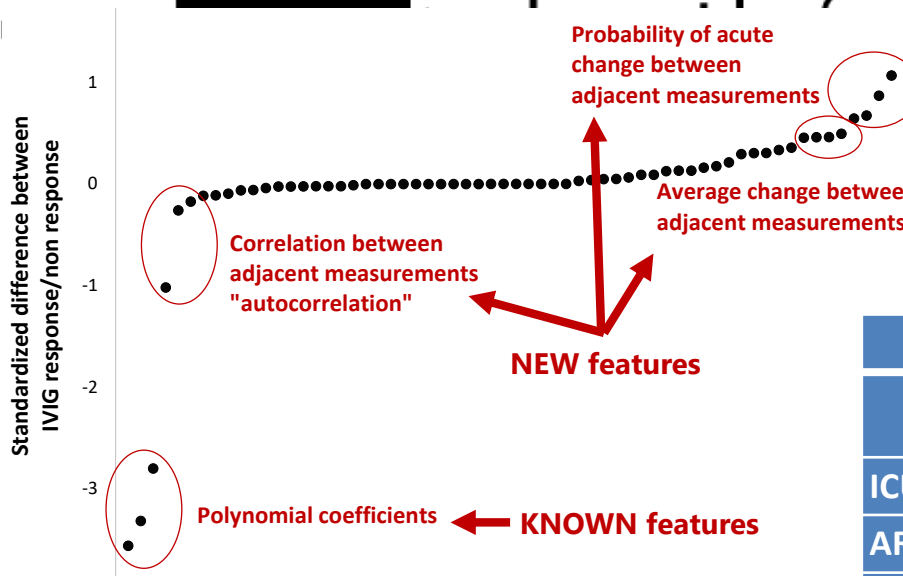
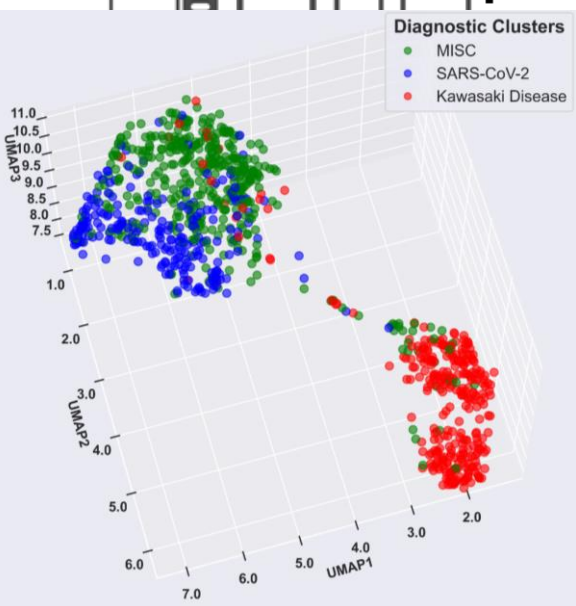
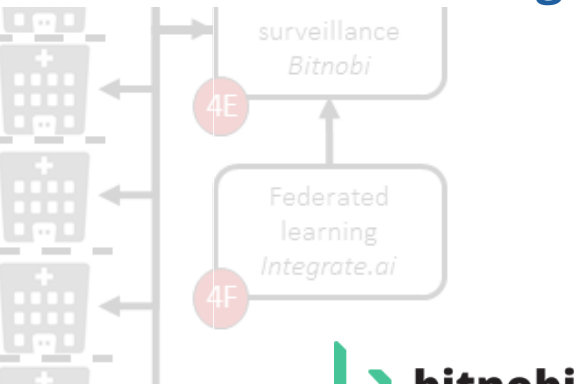
Patient-facing application



Automated aggregator of spatiotemporal public data



Distributed surveillance and federated learning



Validation							
	Prev. MIS-C	Prev. KD	p	AUC	p	Se/Sp	O/E
ICU	58.4%	8.5%	<.001	0.85	<.001	77/78%	4.6%
ARDS	28.7%	4.6%	<.001	0.96	<.001	90/90%	3.5%
Shock	29.7%	3.4%	<.001	0.84	<.001	76/76%	6.2%
EF	24.8%	5.9%	<.001	0.72	<.001	66/66%	6.3%

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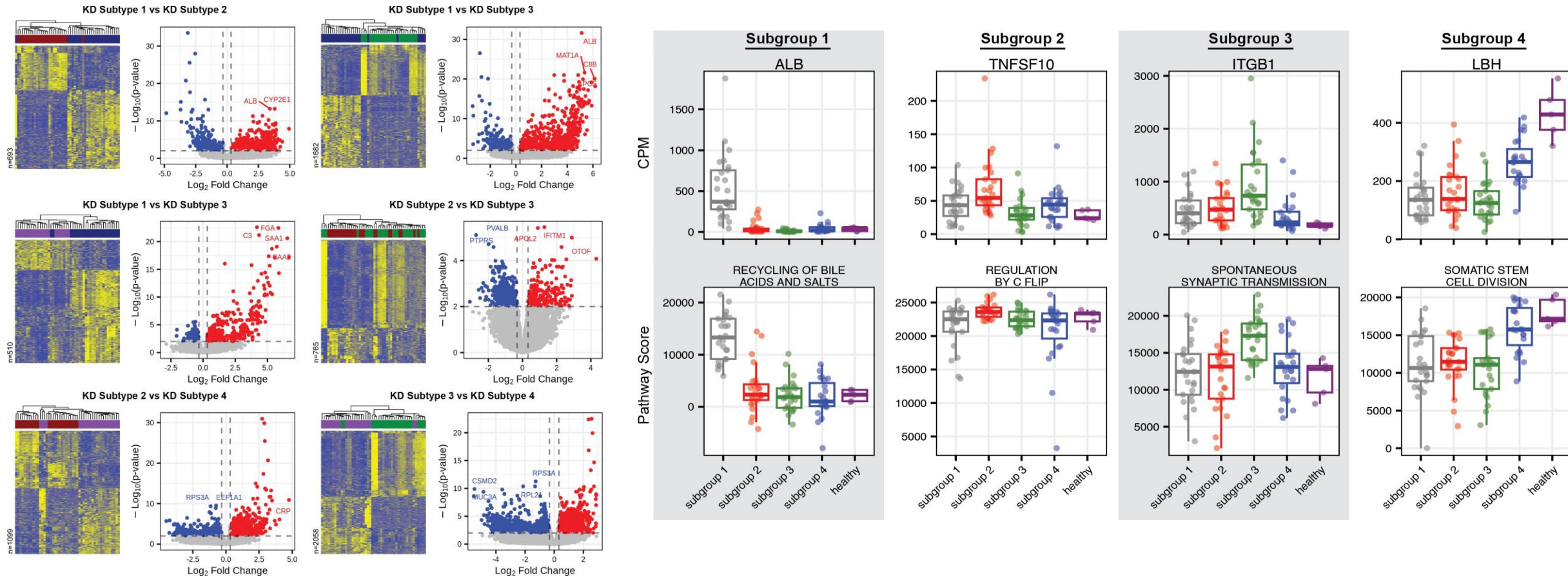
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Cell-Free RNA Signatures of Kawasaki Disease Subgroups



Data-driven approaches

A) Mild KD	B) IFN-mediated KD	C) Hyperinflammatory KD	D) Shock KD
Female bias	Youngest	Most KD features	Least KD features Oldest, BMI ↑
↓ Inflammatory markers	↑ IFN γ , IFN Score	↑ IL-6, IL-10, IL-18, NT-proBNP, CRP, Cells	Cytopenias
No PICU admission No complications	No PICU admission	↑ MAS, Arthritis	PICU admission ↑ Shock
17%	20%	42%	56%

Characteristic	MIS-C like, n = 671 (34%)		KD-like, n = 1274 (65%)		p
	Severe MIS-C n = 39 (2%)	Mild MIS-C n = 632 (32%)	Classic KD n = 574 (29%)	Severe KD n = 700 (36%)	
Age at presentation (yrs)	7.7	4.9	2.8	4.4	<0.001
Southeast Asian (%)	9%	9%	5%	4%	0.02
Respiratory Symptoms (%)	28%	39%	30%	31%	0.02
Abdominal pain (%)	92%	39%	31%	19%	<0.001
Shock (%)	16%	2%	2%	1%	<0.001
ICU Admission (%)	22%	4%	1%	2%	<0.001
Mean LVEF (%)	54%	58%	62%	62%	<0.001

Patient clusters can be uniquely described by composite signatures based on distinct biological profiles specific disease trajectories and patient outcomes

A proportion of patients diagnosed with KD prior to the COVID-19 pandemic had a clinical profile consistent with subgroups of pandemic-era MIS-C patients.

Pre-pandemic KD patients with a phenotype MIS-C like had a substantially higher prevalence of shock and LV dysfunction.

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Predicting coronary artery abnormalities development using coronary Z-score and clinical parameters before the treatment for KD

- Risk factors for the development of CAA differed from those of IVIG resistance, except for younger patient age.

- ✓ Pre-Zmax ≥ 1.6 (2points)
- ✓ Albumin ≤ 3.1 g/dL (1point)
- ✓ Months of Age ≤ 12 (1point)

≥ 2 points : high-risk for CAA.

<CAA development >

	Odd Ratio	[95% CI]
Pre-Z _{max}	2.443	[1.859-3.246]
Albumin (g/dL)	0.502	[0.265-0.957]
Age (months)	0.979	[0.963-0.993]

<1st IVIG resistance>

	Odd Ratio	[95% CI]
Male sex	1.444	[1.027-2.030]
Neutrophil (%)	1.058	[1.039-1.078]
Platelet ($\times 10^4/\mu\text{L}$)	0.970	[0.952-0.990]
T-bil (mg/dL)	1.545	[1.211-1.971]
Age (months)	0.972	[0.962-0.982]

- A higher baseline Z-score was reported to be associated with the development of CAA from various countries> The ideal cutoff value for Zmax may be < 2.0 .
- In addition to patients at high risk of IVIG resistance, those at high risk of developing CAA should also be considered for initial intensive therapy.

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Diagnostic Value of 99mTc-MIBI Myocardial Perfusion Imaging in Detecting Myocardial Ischemia of Children with Kawasaki Disease and Coronary Artery Lesions

Diagnostic value of the MPI in detecting myocardial ischemia compared to other tests

Test	Sensitivity	Specificity	Accuracy	PPV	NPV	Kappa
MPI	79.2% (38/48)	69.0% (89/129)	71.8% (127/177)	48.7% (38/78)	89.9% (89/99)	0.403
CMRI	67.7%*	89.7%	83.5%*	71.9%	87.6%	0.583
	(23/34)	(78/87)	(101/121)	(23/32)	(78/89)	
Echocardiogram	25.0%*	96.9%	77.4%	75.0%	77.6%**	0.277
	(12/48)	(12/129)	(137/177)	(12/16)	(125/160)	
CEEs	52.1%	85.9%	76.8%	58.1%	82.7%	0.394
	(25/48)	(110/128)	(136/177)	(25/43)	(111/134)	

99mTc-MIBI MPI is safe, with an optimal diagnostic sensitivity among noninvasive examinations (CMRI, echo, CEE)

Hemodynamic analysis and risk assessment of coronary artery aneurysms and thrombosis in KD

- Hemodynamic parameters derived from CFD revealed **superior predictive performance on thrombus** than current standard metrics based on diameters of CAAs.



- Machine Learning approaches **for real-time prediction of hemodynamics** quantities
- They require data amounts that are **difficult to gather for rare pathologies** such as CAAs
- Data-driven methods available for **generating large populations of plausible CAAs** for training ML models
- The method is validated by medical experts and will allow for **real-time thrombosis risk estimation**

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS:
From Emerging Clinician to Expert



KD shock syndrome (acute management)

Definition of KDSS

- ▶ Sustained systolic hypotension
- ▶ Clinical signs of poor perfusion
- ▶ Initiate volume expansion or infusion of vasoactive agents or Transfer to an intensive care setting

KDSS incidence

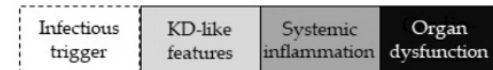
- ▶ 2.8% to 5.3%. in the United States.
- ▶ Five out of 84 (6 %) in Italy
- ▶ 5% in Mexico.
- ▶ In Japan (1.1%, 6/552)
- ▶ In Korea 0.8% (9/1095)
- ▶ 9 patients (1.9%) in Taiwan

Consequently, KDSS is relatively uncommon in Taiwan, leading to a higher rate of initial misdiagnosis and delays in appropriate therapy for KDSS.

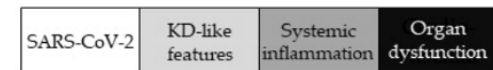
A Kawasaki disease (KD)



B Kawasaki disease shock syndrome (KDSS)



C Multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C)



Refractory KD

Differential diagnosis for Kawasaki disease

<Diseases causing coronary artery aneurysms>

Inflammatory diseases	Kawasaki disease, Takayasu arteritis, polyarteritis nodosa, giant cell arteritis, IgA vasculitis, eosinophilic polyangiitis granulomatosis, systemic lupus erythematosus, systemic juvenile idiopathic arthritis, Behçet's disease, PFAPA syndrome, Erdheim-Chester disease, IgG4-related disease, ADA2 deficiency, chronic granulomatosis
Infections	Yersinia infection, COVID-19 associated pediatric multi-organ inflammatory syndrome (MIS-C), Infectious mononucleosis (IM), chronic active EB virus infection (CAEBV), Mycoplasma infections, rickettsia infections
Syndromes	Marfan synd., Noonan synd., Williams synd., Ehles-Danlos synd., Loeys-Dietz synd. etc.
Others	Iatrogenic disease, atherosclerosis, congenital coronary arterial fistula

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<Incidence of coronary artery aneurysms>

KD	MIS-C	Juvenile-onset SLE	Systematic JIA	Takayasu arteritis	Polyarteritis nodosa	CAEBV
< 25% (untreated)	14-48%	4.45%	< 16%	55.6% (pediatric)	< 1%	8.9%

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In this case, the diagnostic criteria for Kawasaki disease were met. But it was atypical and intractable. Therefore, vasculitis syndrome and JIA were differentiated.

Differential diagnosis: Is it really KD? (Rash)

Differential Diagnosis

- Viral illnesses (eg adenovirus, enterovirus)
- Scarlet Fever
- Measles
- Toxic Shock Syndrome
- Stevens-Johnson Syndrome
- Staphylococcal Scalded Skin Syndrome
- Rheumatic Fever
- Malaria
- Typhoid
- Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever or other rickettsial infections
- Leptospirosis
- Systemic Juvenile Arthritis
- Drug Reactions
- Mercury Poisoning

Exercise as a daily healthy routine in KD patients

FITT Principle

When giving exercise guidance, the 4 factors, including exercise frequency, intensity, time, & type should be fully considered based on medical history, physical examination, & necessary auxiliary examinations, & should be dealt with from dynamic exercise & static exercise

- Frequency
- Intensity
- Time
- Type

Exercise as a daily healthy routine in KD patients

JCS/JSCS Recommendations for School Activity Level Mild, Moderate, & Intense Exercise

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golf	Baseball				Basic movements (light swinging)																																																																																							
Marital arts	Judo, kendo, sumo	(Jiquette, basic movement (e.g., ukemi, swinging, sabaki)	Practicing simple techniques and forms with modest basic movements	Applied practice, competition																																																																																								
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Definitions Mild exercise: Physician activities that do not increase respiratory rate in average children at the same age
Intermediate exercise: Physical activities that increase respiratory rate without causing shortness of breath. Players may talk with
Intense exercise: Physical activities that increase respiratory rate and cause shortness of breath.
* Basic exercise: including resistance (isometric) exercise

Chronic life-long phase: What anticoagulant & antiplatelet

Special Considerations

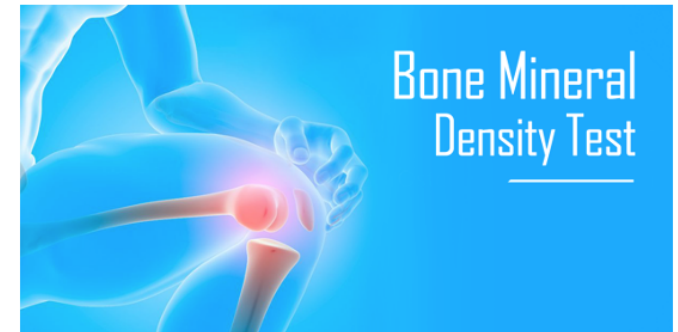
- Warfarin is known to interact with several drugs and certain foods, and it often presents with problematic dosing and maintenance in young children
- Previous studies of warfarin therapy in children with KD and in those who underwent Fontan surgery showed that time in the therapeutic range for warfarin was only 45%-60% , leaving a substantial amount of time with inadequate anticoagulation

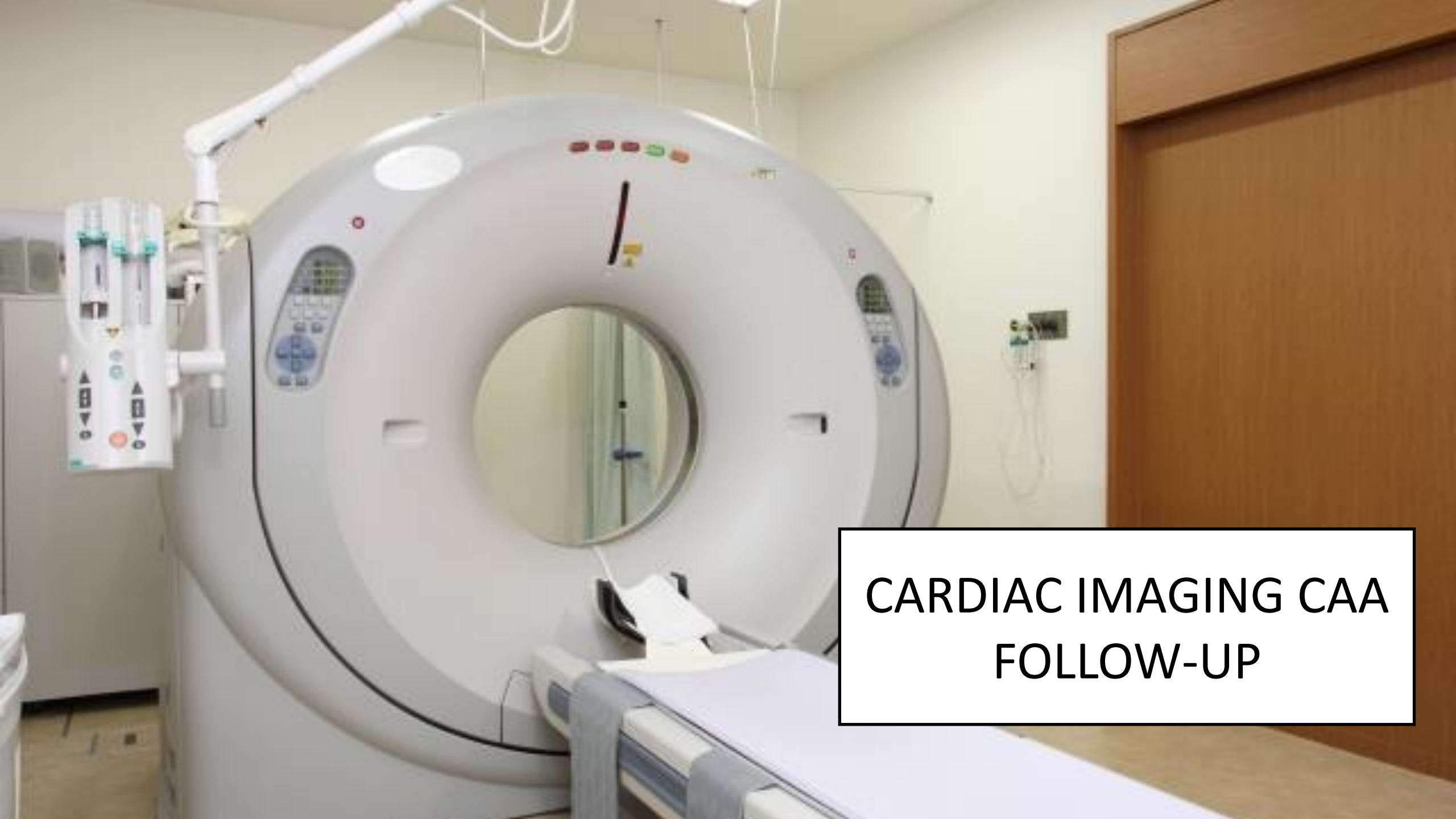


Chronic life-long phase: What anticoagulant & antiplatelet

Special Considerations

- LMWH has more predictable pharmacokinetics, rapid achievement of a therapeutic level of anticoagulation, and minimal monitoring
- Patients on LMWH require twice-daily subcutaneous injections, which may affect their quality of life
- Long-term therapy with LMWH has been associated with possible decreased bone mineral density and increased risk of fracture in adults, although this effect is not well characterized for pediatric patients

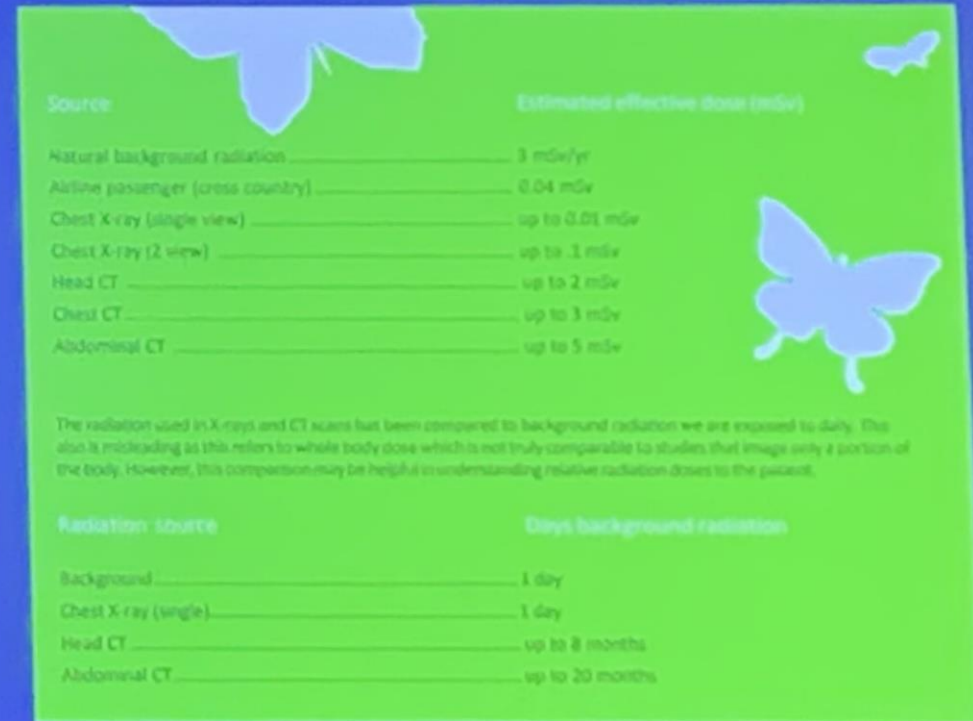
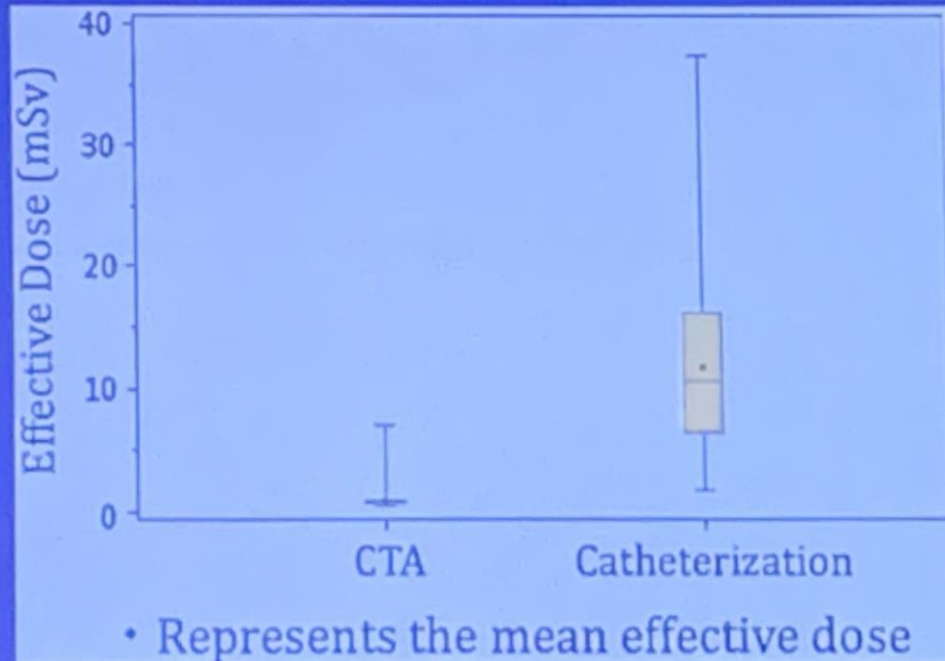




CARDIAC IMAGING CAA
FOLLOW-UP

CT coronary imaging in KD

How does CT compare to catheter angiography?



Imaging surveillance of coronary arteries

Summary of imaging data for KD coronary assessment

Imaging Evaluation of Kawasaki Disease

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PMID: 35986822 DOI: 10.1007/s11886-022-01768-4

- In the first two years – assessment more likely for symptomatic ischemia
- > two years, most imaging for risk assessment (except medium- giant aneurysms)
- If there was never coronary involvement – no findings on imaging (up to 20 years)
- If there are regressed aneurysm or small aneurysm – vessel wall changes may occur (calcium, abnormal vasoreactivity) but risk of MACE is low
- Large aneurysms do not regress and the long-term chance of intervention/MACE is high
- Echo is not sufficient for stenosis or distal vessel evaluation, may miss aneurysms in distal or circumflex coronary artery
- CMR is age/HR dependent, best for perfusion/tissue characterization but does not see calcium and distal vessels (3T, contrast angiography may change this)
- CCT has low radiation dose in the current era – is good for vessel pathology including coronary calcium in all ages and heart rates

MRA imaging – perfusion defect (optional 4D flow in KD)

Pros & Cons

The debate continues



- While the technique offers unique advantages, these practical constraints often influence its adoption and utilization in clinical practice
- More robust evidence is needed to establish its clinical utility and to guide its integration into routine clinical practice
- Its use is likely to evolve as more evidence accumulates and technology improves
- To address validation gaps, will take time and collaborative efforts to accumulate the necessary evidence

Until then, the use of MRI perfusion imaging in Kawasaki disease remains somewhat controversial and should be decided on a case-by-case basis

Stakes are too high for any delayed or misinterpretation of myocardial ischemia in pediatric patients so until all these limitations are addressed,

MRI Perfusion imaging is not yet ready for Prime time...



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Utility of stress echo in KD patients : Dobutamine stress echo

Outline

Stress modalities and indication

Protocol and interpretation

Accuracy and prognosis

Diagnostic approach for KD and CALS

Gaps in the clinical practice

Advanced technologies

Something Old, Something New

Utility of stress echo in KD patients: Exercise stress echo

“Exercise is More Physiologic”

- Dobutamine creates increased oxygen demand of myocardium
- May be used in those under 7 yrs, who cannot use exercise equipment
- Noto et al. evaluated 50 KD patients compared to angiography demonstrated 19/21 patients, > 50% occlusion of coronaries had positive response to dobutamine stress echocardiography (Noto et al. JACC 1996)
- Noto et al. more recently demonstrated that dobutamine stress echo had prognostic value predicting MACE in 15-year follow-up



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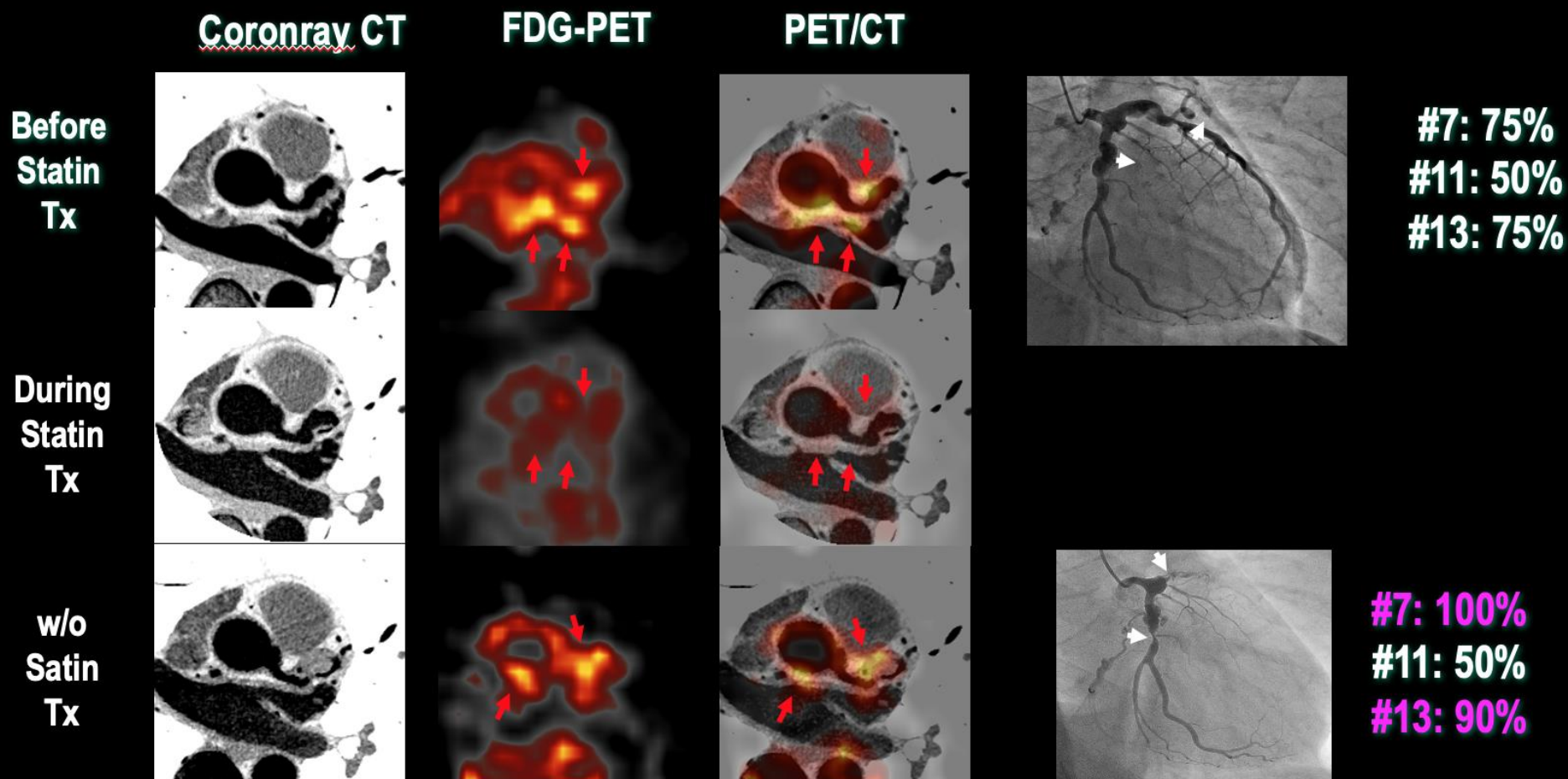
Clinical Research
Cardiac Imaging

Long-Term Prognostic Impact of Dobutamine Stress Echocardiography in Patients With Kawasaki Disease and Coronary Artery Lesions: A 15-Year Follow- Up Study

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PET nuclear scans of coronary arteries

Change in fusion images of C-CT & FDG-PET



Bekki, , Suda, et al. J Nucl Cardiol 2019;26:671-3

Adapted from presentation by Dr. Kenji Suda

RE-EXAMINING USE OF ASPIRIN AND APPROACHES
TO ANTICOAGULATION



Initial intravenous immunoglobulin therapy without aspirin for acute KD



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Active poll

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In acute KD, do you use:

moderate dose (30-50 mg/kg) aspirin?



58%

low dose (3-5 mg/kg) aspirin?



34%

high dose aspirin (>50 mg/kg) aspirin?



8%

Initial intravenous immunoglobulin therapy without aspirin for acute KD

CAL occurrence within 1 month

	Regression analysis		Propensity score analysis			
			Matching		IPTW	
	Risk ratio (95% CI)	P-value	Risk ratio (95% CI)	P-value	Risk ratio (95% CI)	P-value
MD	(reference)		(reference)		(reference)	
non-MD	1.12 (0.83–1.51)	0.46	1.44 (0.62–3.38)	0.40	1.19 (0.90–1.56)	0.23

The point estimate of the Risk Ratio for the non-MD group exceeded 1, but the result was not statistically significant.

Limitations:

- It is difficult to verify non-inferiority in observational studies.
- The non-MD group includes cases where ASA was administered with the initial IVIG, so it is unclear whether only cases without concerns for coronary arteries were extracted.

Initial intravenous immunoglobulin therapy without aspirin for acute KD



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Is it reasonable, in select cases of acute KD, NOT to use ASA?

No



Yes



Unsure



Advantages of DOACs

- Oral formulations (once, twice or 3 times daily)
- Predictable effect
 - Wide therapeutic and safety margin
 - Reduces the need for routine monitoring
- Fixed dosing:
 - Weight based dosing regimen with established pediatric PK and PD
 - Role of DOAC level in dose titration still under evaluation
- Fewer drug-drug interactions

DOAC-associated Bleeding



- Activated charcoal – within 6 h
- Non-specific reversal agent*
 - Prothrombin complex concentrates (4F-PCC):
prefer inactivated > activated PCC (25 to 50 IU/kg, IV; typical initial dose up to 2,000 IU)

Hemodialysis

- Dabigatran (with renal impairment)

**Low to very low quality in systematic review*

Burnet AE, et al. *J Thromb Thrombolysis* 2016;41(1):206-32
Schulman S. *Semin Thromb Hemost* 2017;43(8):886-92

**Thank you for your attention and
enjoy the conference!**





Take Home Messages – Day 3

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Day 3 Summary



IVIg and Novel Therapies



Impact of Missed or Delayed Diagnosis



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Acute Coronary Syndrome in KD

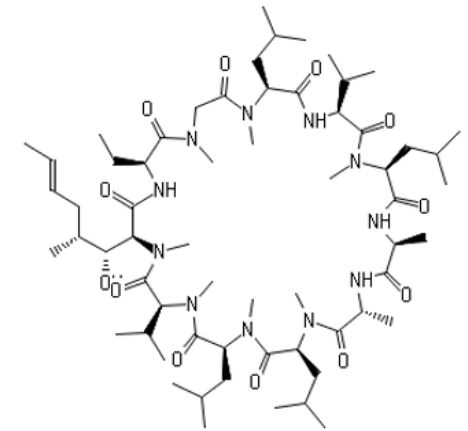
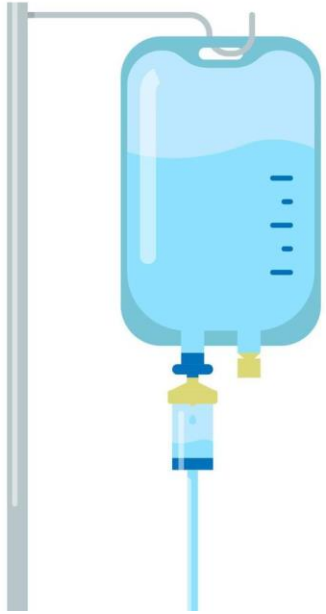


Transition of Care and Canvas for the Future



Solving Worldwide Gaps in KD Care

IVIg and Novel Therapies



Too Long, Didn't Watch

Statins

Helpful

Steroids

Helpful

Anakinra

Helpful

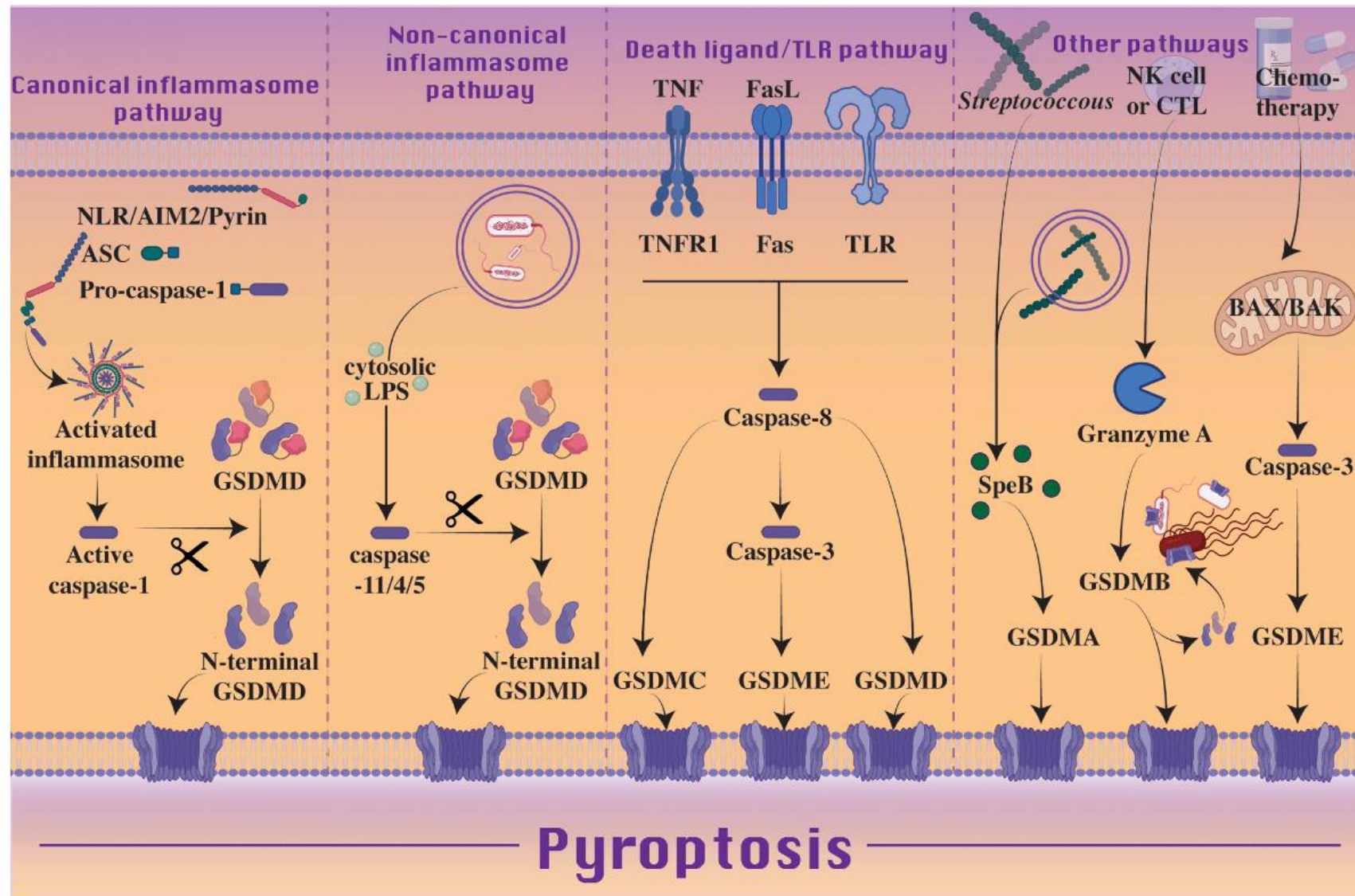
Infliximab

Helpful

Cyclosporine

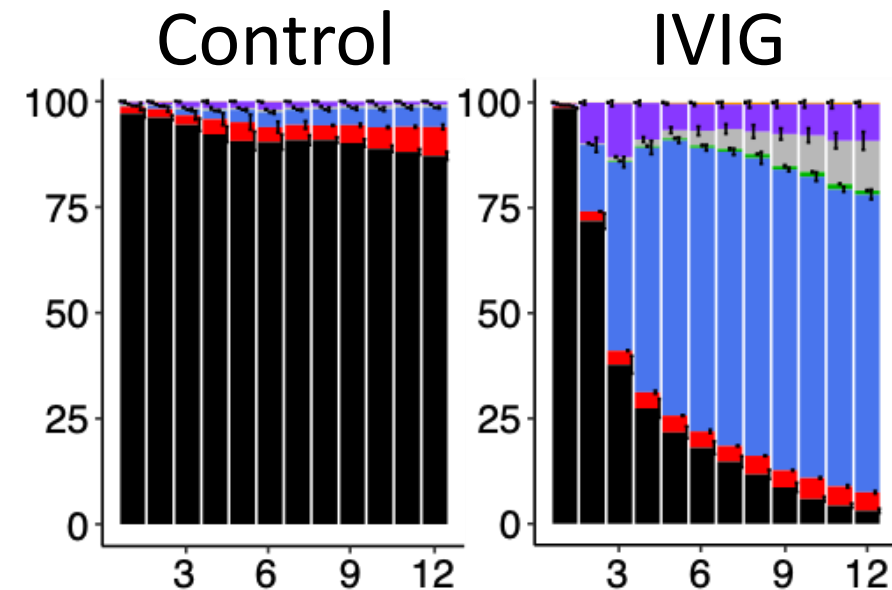
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IVIIG and Mechanism of Action

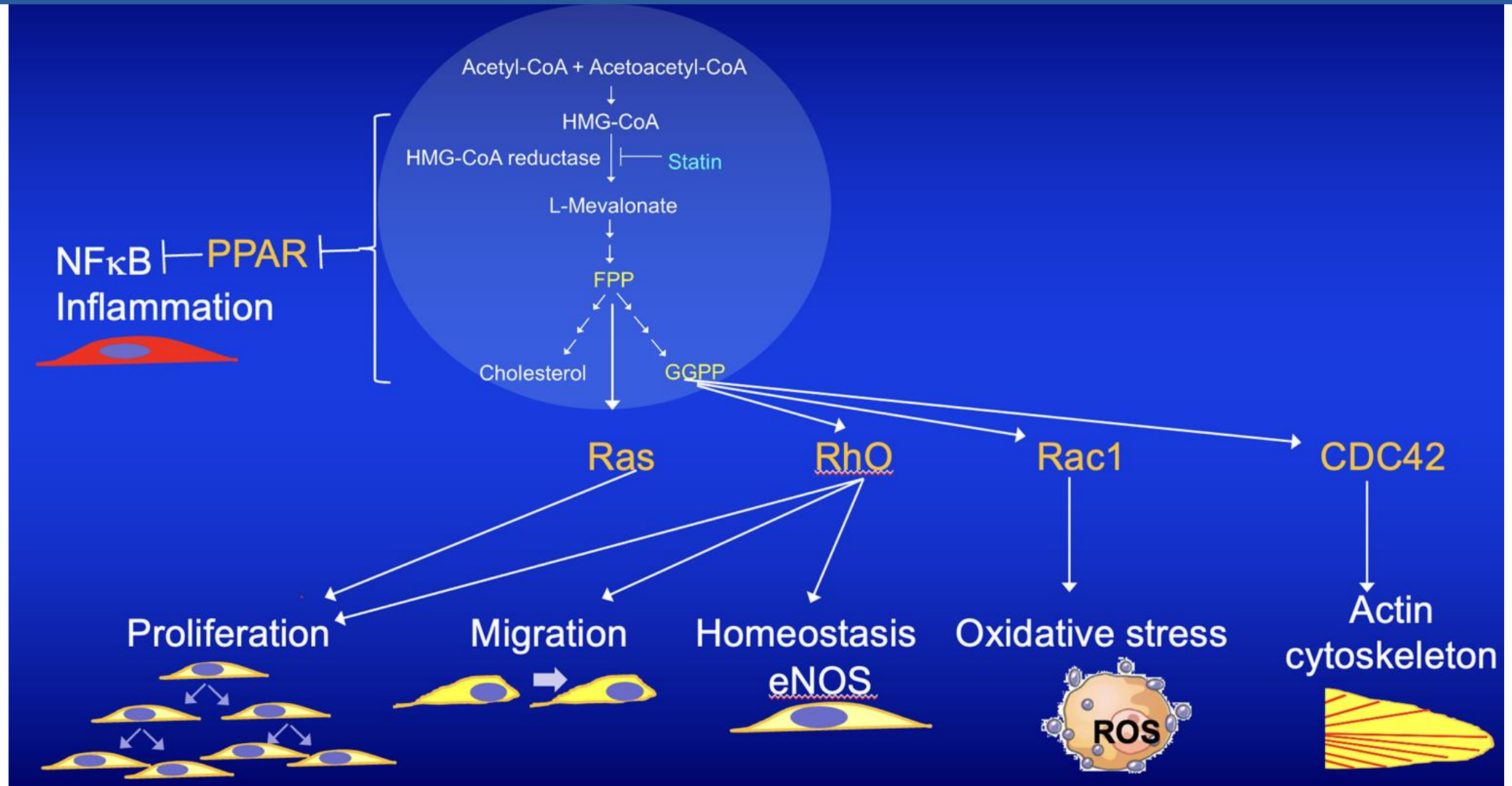


IVIG and Mechanism of Action

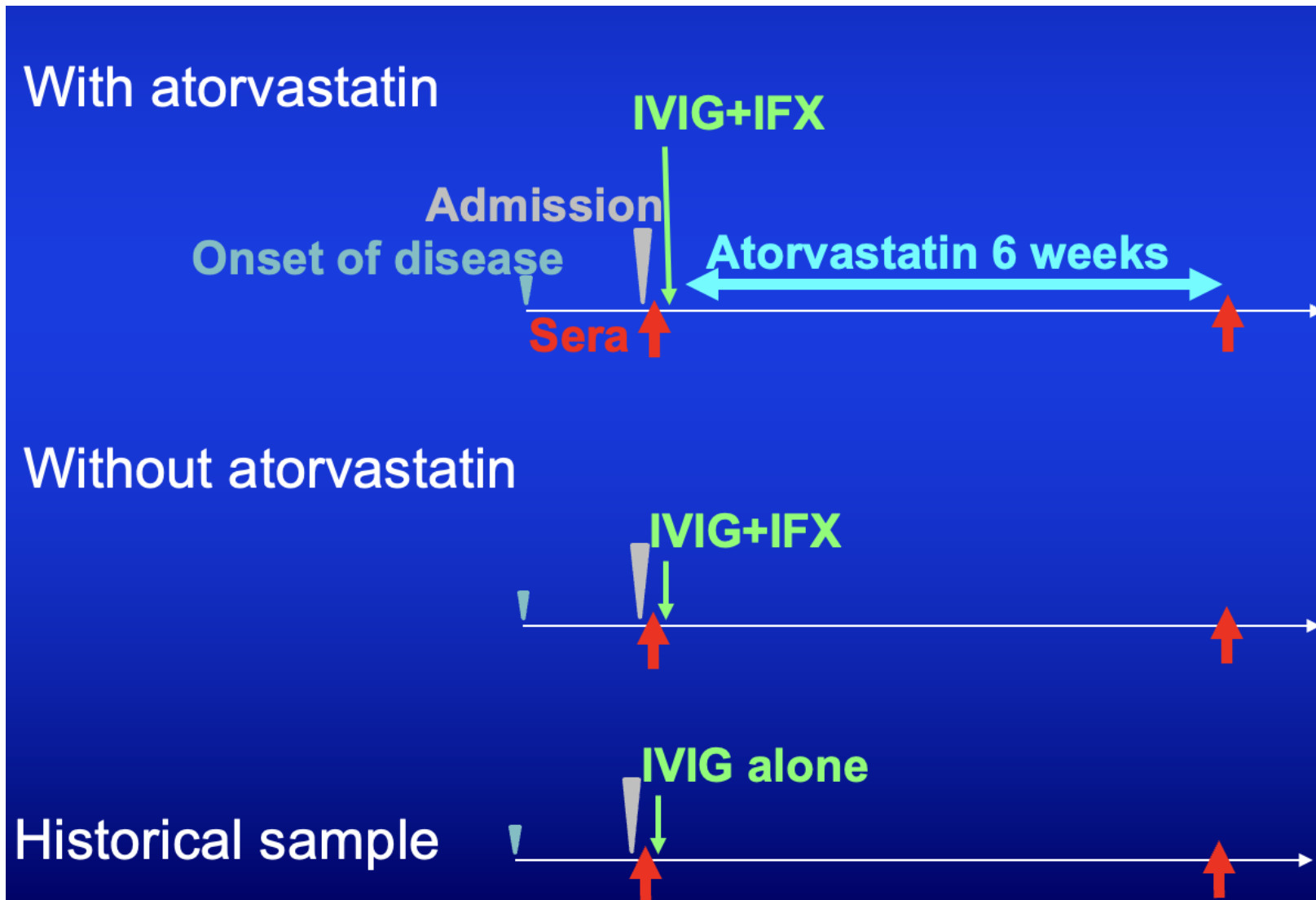
- **Steady state**: apoptotic neutrophils are cleared (10^{11} /day)
- **Disease**: apoptotic neutrophils are not cleared, and proceed to extrude nuclear DNA, histones, citrullinated proteins, proteases, and form cytoplasts
 - Anti-microbial event
 - Amplifier of innate and adaptive immunity
 - Source of autoantigen



Statins and Endothelial Health

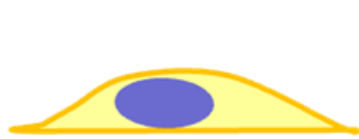


Statins and Endothelial Health



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Statins and Endothelial Health

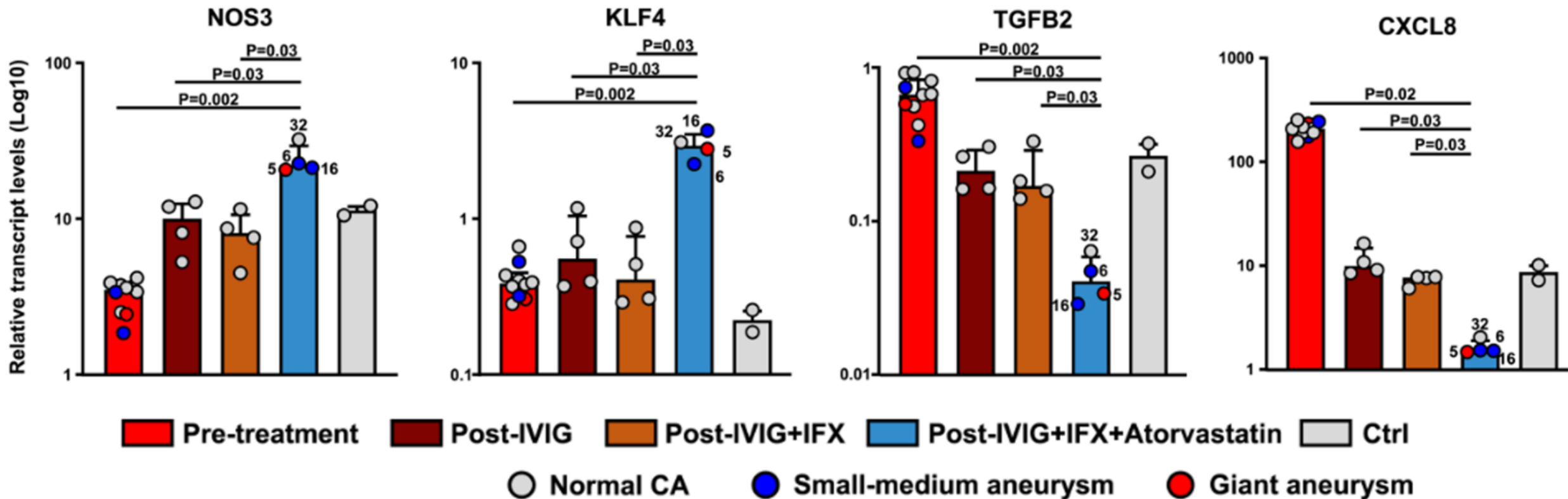


Endothelial cell homeostasis



EndMT

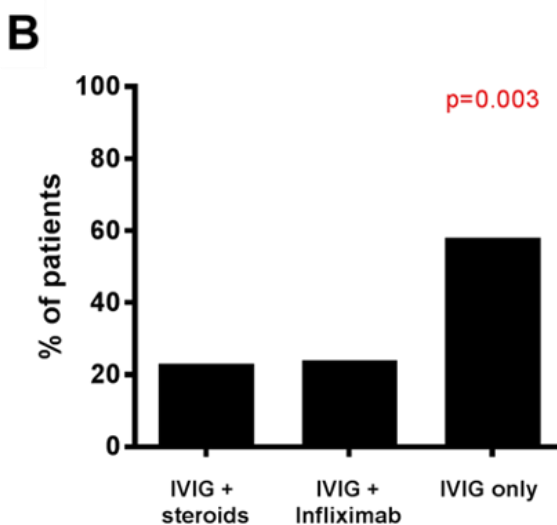
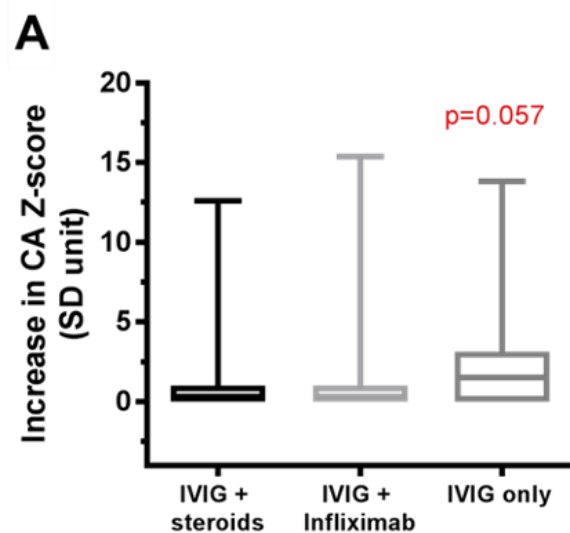
Inflammation



Adjunctive Treatment with Steroids

Retrospective study in patients with CA z-score > 2.5 at diagnosis comparing 3 centers: IVIG alone vs. IVIG + steroids vs. IVIG +infiximab

<u>Treatment resistance rates:</u>	IVIG alone	IVIG + infliximab	IVIG + steroids	p-value
	21%	14%	0%	0.02



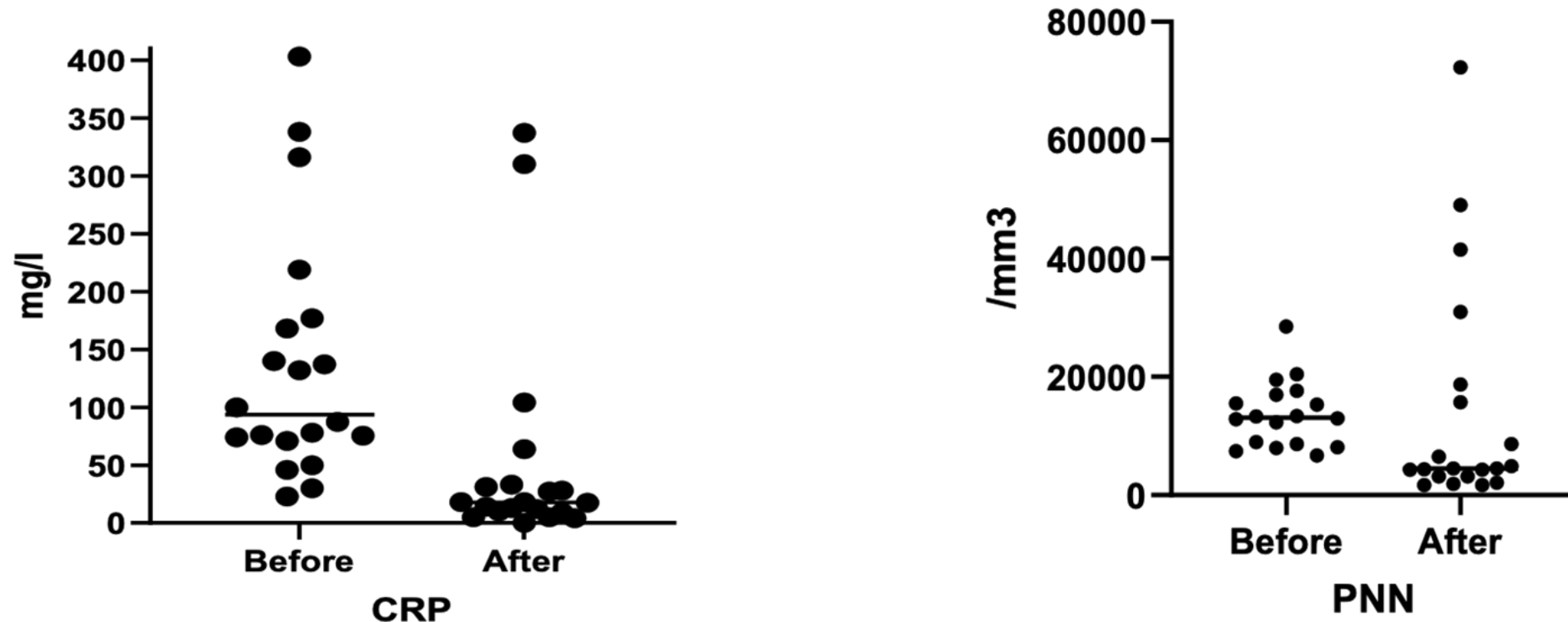
E High risk* criteria:

- ≤ 6 months of age
- LAD or RCA coronary artery z score ≥ 2.5 on baseline echo
- Kawasaki Shock syndrome [cardiovascular collapse and hypotension requiring volume expanders, vasoactive agents or transfer to the ICU]
- Macrophage Activation Syndrome (physician diagnosis)
- Other (expert physician's judgment; e.g. 2nd episode of KD)

**Monitoring for high-risk patients: frequent clinical and laboratory monitoring as per Rheumatology; Echo Q2-3 days until stable CA dimensions or as determined by Cardiology*

Use of Anakinra in Kawasaki Disease

Biologic data before and after anakinra: 24 patients.



Value the day of anakinra is started and the day it is stopped: 19 patients with concomittant CT)

Infliximab for Intensification of Primary Therapy

Standard treatment: IVIG 2 g/kg IV and aspirin

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Adding **5 mg/kg infliximab** for patients with CAA at diagnosis

2004

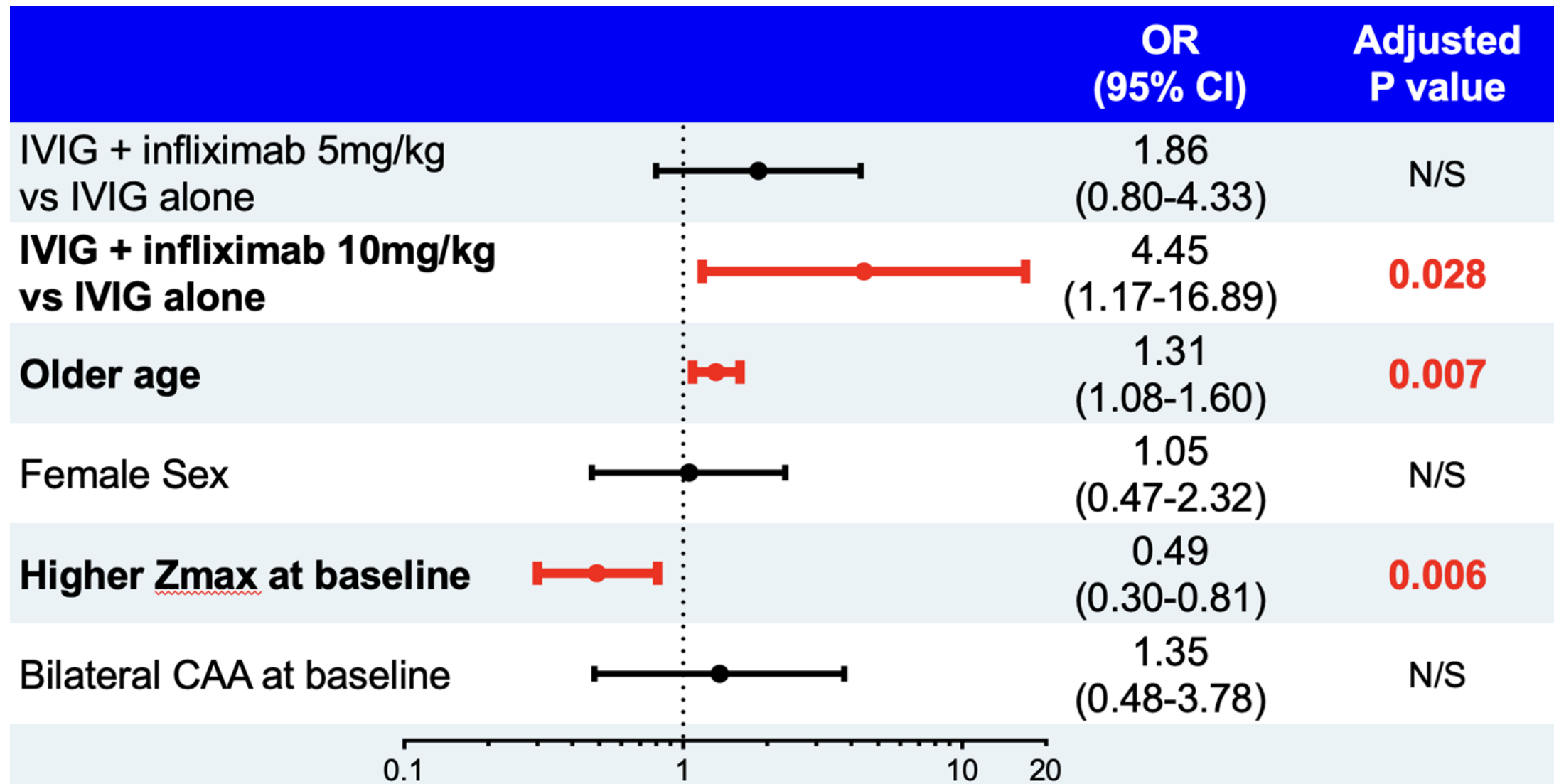
IVIG 2 g/kg IV and aspirin

Adding **10 mg/kg infliximab** for patients with CAA at diagnosis

2014

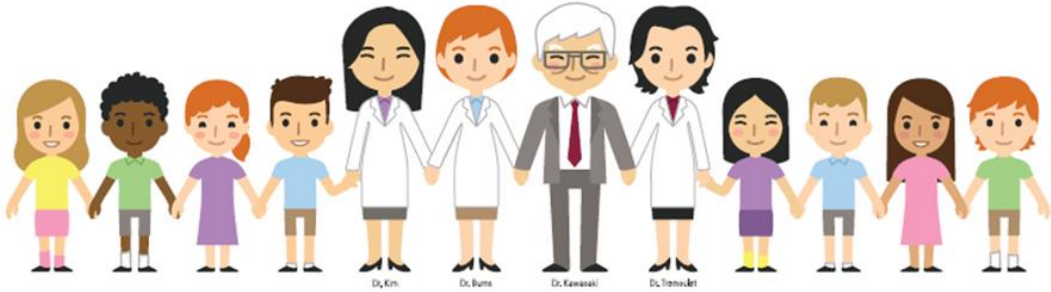
- The dose of aspirin was 80–100 mg/kg/day until 2013, changed into 30–50 mg/kg/day.
- Aspirin was reduced to 3–5 mg/kg/day at discharge.

Infliximab for Intensification of Primary Therapy



Infliximab for Treatment Resistant Kawasaki Disease

KIDCARE
The Kawasaki Disease Comparative Effectiveness Trial



Primary outcome measure:

Afebrile at 24h after initiation of study treatment with no return of fever

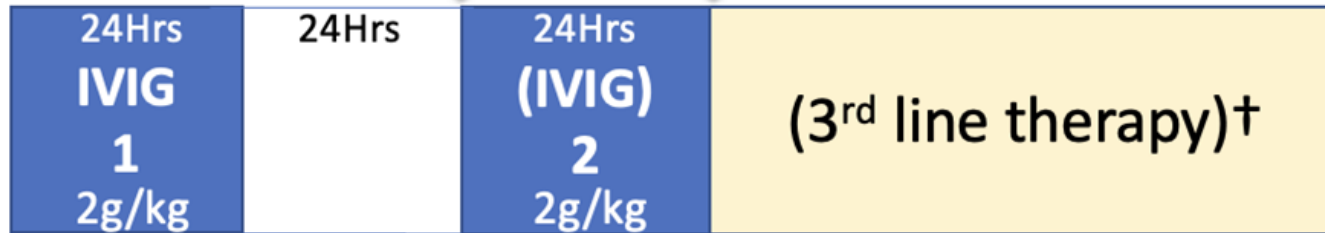
- Infliximab: 40/52 (77%)

- 2nd IVIG: 25/49 (51%)

p=0.0076

Cyclosporine A in Kawasaki Disease

↓ Body temperature $\geq 37.5^{\circ}\text{C}$



[†] Any therapies except CsA is available for the 3rd line therapy

Study group

Cyclosporine A p.o.
5mg/kg/day, two-divided, 5 days

High Risk
5+ Kobayashi score

↓ Body temperature $\geq 37.5^{\circ}\text{C}$



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Control group

Cyclosporine A in Kawasaki Disease

	<u>IVIG+CsA</u> (n=86)	IVIG (n=87)	p	95%CI
The incidence of CAAs	14%	31%	0.010	0.46 (0.21 – 0.86)

CAAs in
 1 segments: 12
 2 segments: 0
 3 segments: 0

CAAs in
 1 segments: 20
 2 segments: 4
 3 segments: 3

Mantel-Haenszel analysis

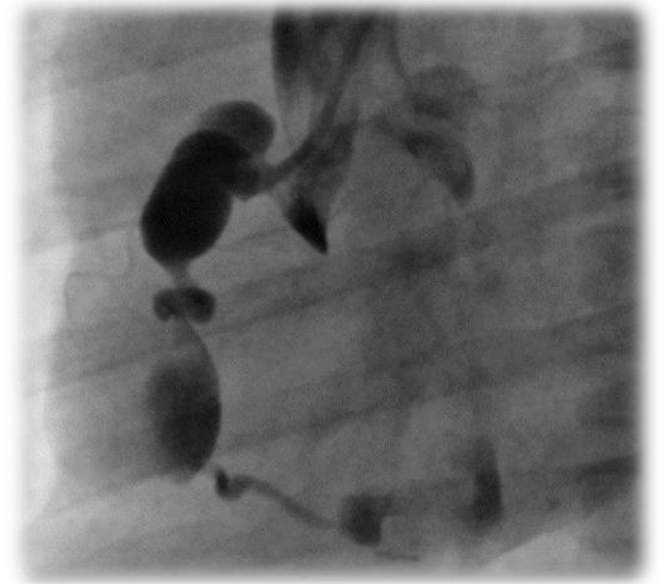
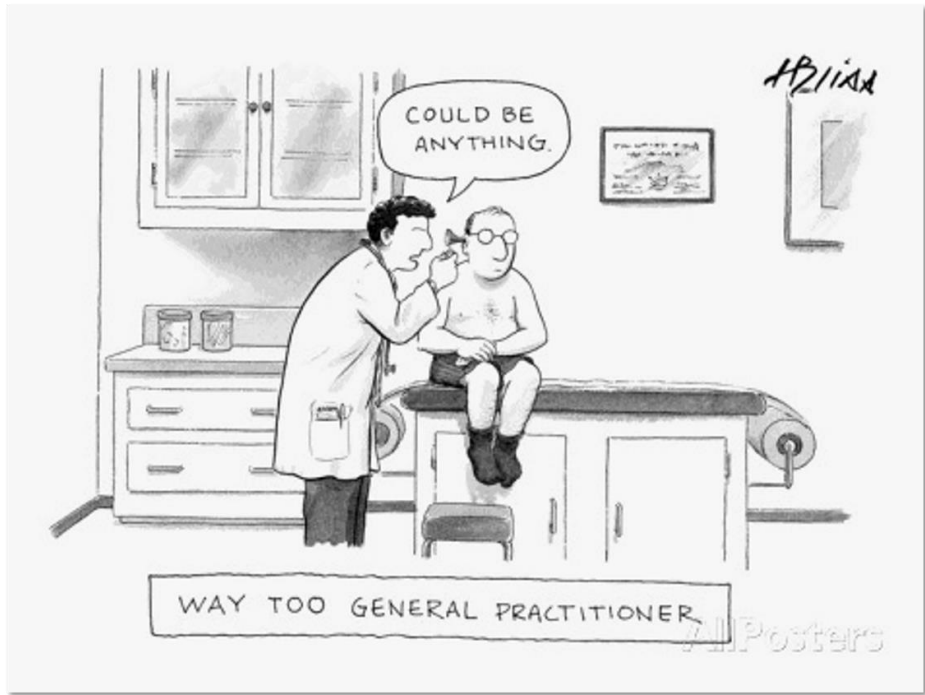
Hamada H, et al. *Lancet*, 2019

Cyclosporine A in Kawasaki Disease



Concurrent use of steroids and Cyclosporine A in KD may increase risk of serious adverse events.

Impact of Delayed or Missed Diagnosis



Impact of Delayed or Missed Diagnosis

without IVIG 25 %

with IVIG 4%

with IVIG
< 6 mths > 50 %

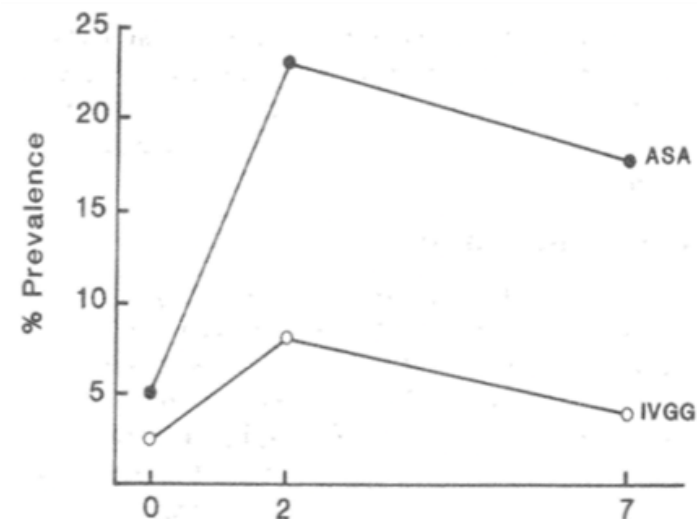


Table II. Coronary artery abnormalities in subjects with KD treated in the first 10 days of illness*			
	<6 mo old (CHOC and RCHSD) n = 76	≥6 mo old (RCHSD only) n = 545	P value
Baseline coronary artery status, n (%)			<.001
Normal	43 (56.6)	439 (80.6)	
Dilated	27 (35.5)	91 (16.7)	
Aneurysm	5 (6.6)	14 (2.6)	
Giant aneurysm	1 (1.3)	1 (0.2)	

Complications confined to large CAA ≥ 10
Prognosis good, low fatality rates

Diagnostic Pearls of Kawasaki Disease

Infections and Kawasaki Disease: Implications for Coronary Artery Outcome

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33% of KD patients had at least one confirmed infection at time of KD diagnosis

FEVER – typically “unresponsive to antipyretics” in KD

KD excluded if genuine pathogen cultured/identified from sterile site

A positive respiratory viral PCR usually compatible with KD diagnosis

A positive GAS throat swab is compatible with KD diagnosis

Think about KD in Children with Fever and

- Unwilling or unable to walk
- Culture negative “urinary tract infection” (initially diagnosed on basis of fever and urine WBC)
- Unexplained aseptic meningitis
- Culture negative shock
- Age <6 months with prolonged fever and irritability
- Prolonged fever and cervical adenitis
- Other clues:
 - Eosinophilia
 - Inflamed BCG site
- There are KD subgroups

Key Characteristics of KD subgroups

■ Liver

- Elevated ALT, GGT, bilirubin
- Lowest CAA rate
- Highest IVIG resistance rates

■ Band

- Highest band neutrophil count
- Highest KD shock rate

■ Node

- Cervical LAD
- Highest markers of inflammation (ESR, CRP, WBC, plt)
- Lowest hemoglobin z-scores

■ Young

- Young age at onset
- Highest CAA rate
- Lowest IVIG resistance rates

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[https://www.ajconline.org/article/0002-9149\(88\)90900-9/pdf](https://www.ajconline.org/article/0002-9149(88)90900-9/pdf)

Richard Rowe Memorial Lecture

Disaster in Kawasaki Disease

- Rupture of Coronary Artery Aneurysm -

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Cases with ruptured aneurysm and fatal outcomes

‘Disaster’

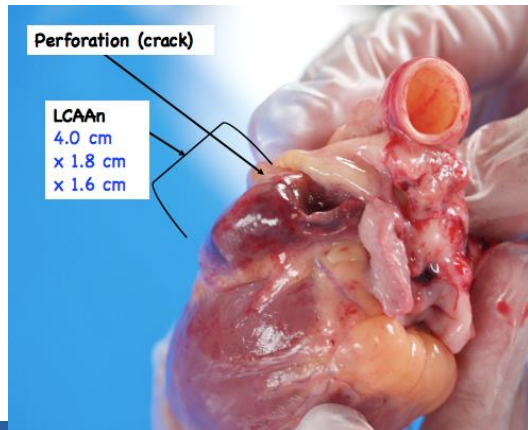
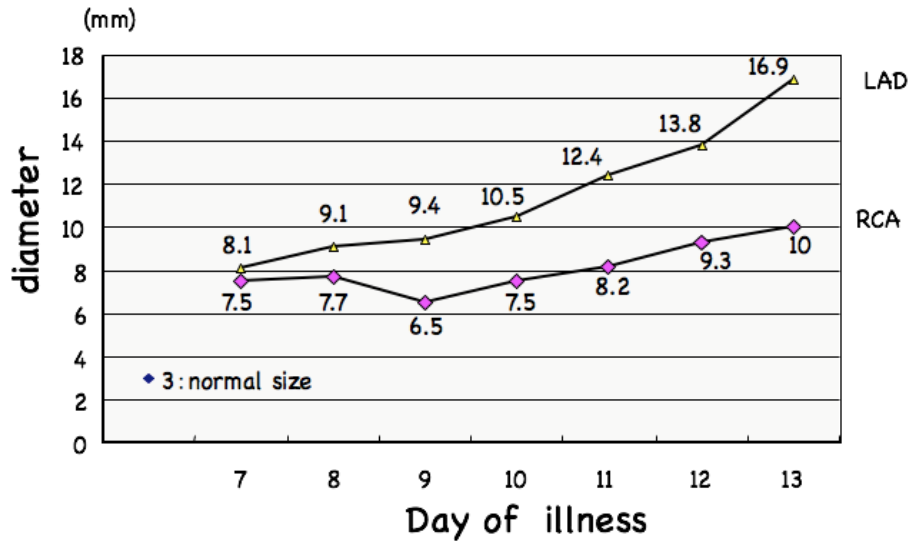
- Very Rare
- Suddenly encounter
- Difficult to predict
- Fatal, and traumatic
- No good strategy for the present

• These are typically ‘Supergiant aneurysms’ - CAAn grew **>10 mm** in diameter **rapidly** within 10-15 days

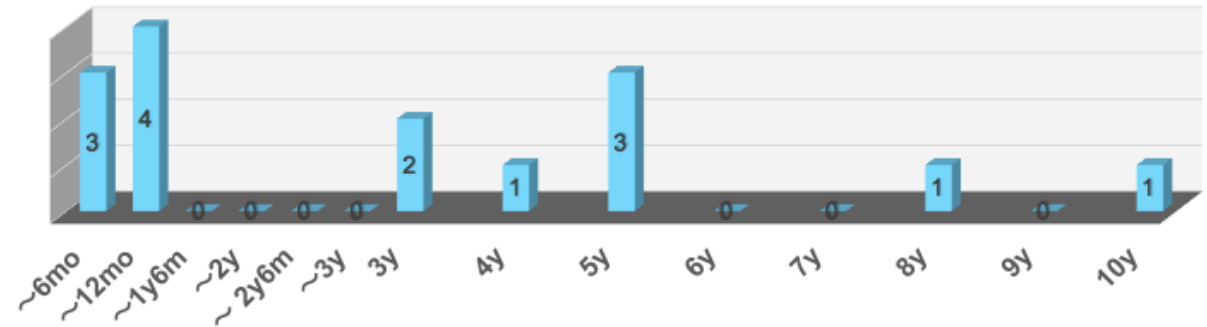
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Rupture of coronary aneurysms

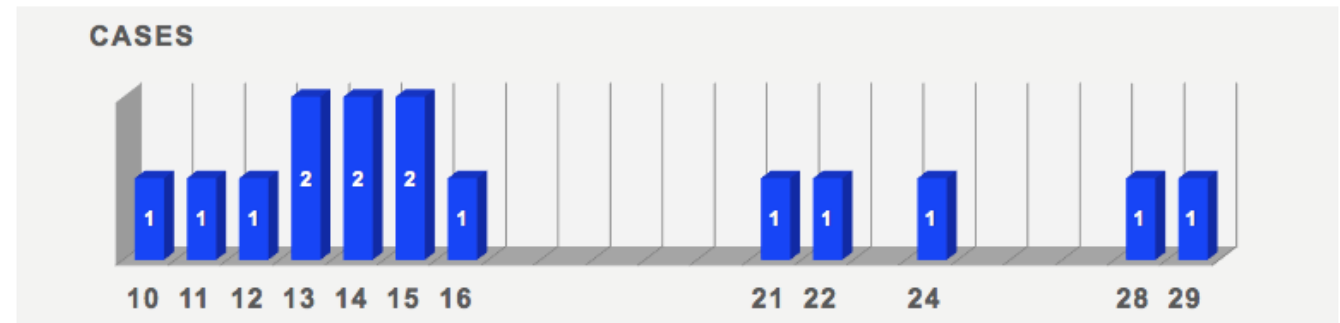
Diameter of the coronary arteries in this case
(echocardiographic measurement)



Age at onset of KD



Days to Rupture from the Onset



Rupture of coronary aneurysms

- *Prevention / prediction is the most important key*
- Early diagnosis and treatment
- Treatment intensification
- Need a simulation of intensive care for $\geq 10\text{mm}$ coronary aneurysm in your hospital if you care severe KD patients
 - Sedative drugs, beta blockers and calcium antagonists
 - Blood pressure optimization

We need to identify the super giants

Acute Coronary Syndrome in KD

Invasive angiography survey data from European

Aprox. 200 patients / 63 % male

Aprox. 280 Cardiac Catherisations (CC)

CAA rate: 2010 37.5%

2022 75%

2024 90%

- Younger patients have higher chances of regression
- More number aneurysms >>> more likely to have regression of largest aneurysm / also to develop stenosis
- Length of aneurysm does not much affect development of stenosis
- Saccular are associated greater chances of sequelae



Acute Coronary Syndrome in KD

Who are at risk for ACS

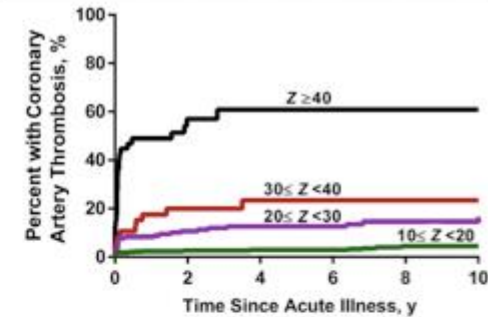
Risk of thrombosis

- LAD aneurysm
- Aneurysm ≥ 8 mm
- Most frequently in first 90 days after diagnosis

Medium-Term
Complications Associated
with Coronary Artery
Aneurysms After Kawasaki
Disease

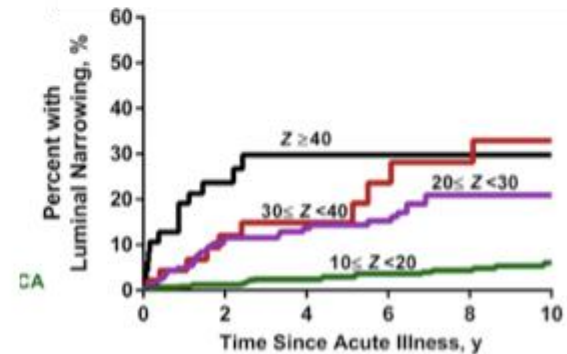


IKD Registry



No. branches at risk:

47	14	8	6	6	3
48	30	21	14	13	9
195	142	111	96	64	46
608	447	368	295	202	131



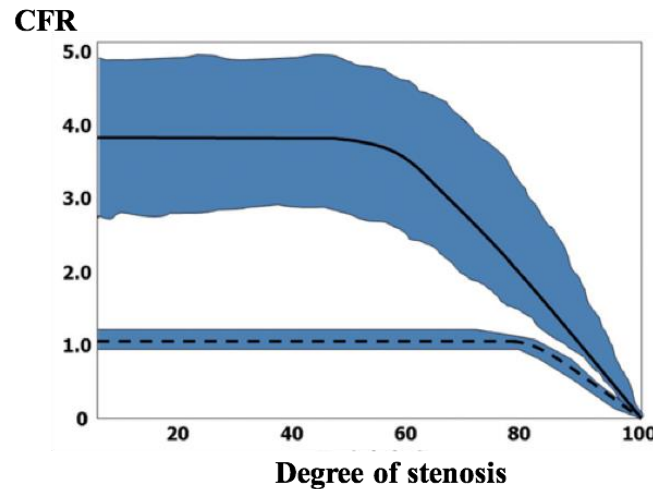
No. branches at risk:

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48	32	25	17	15	10
195	143	114	94	61	43
608	451	369	297	205	131

Acute Coronary Syndrome in KD

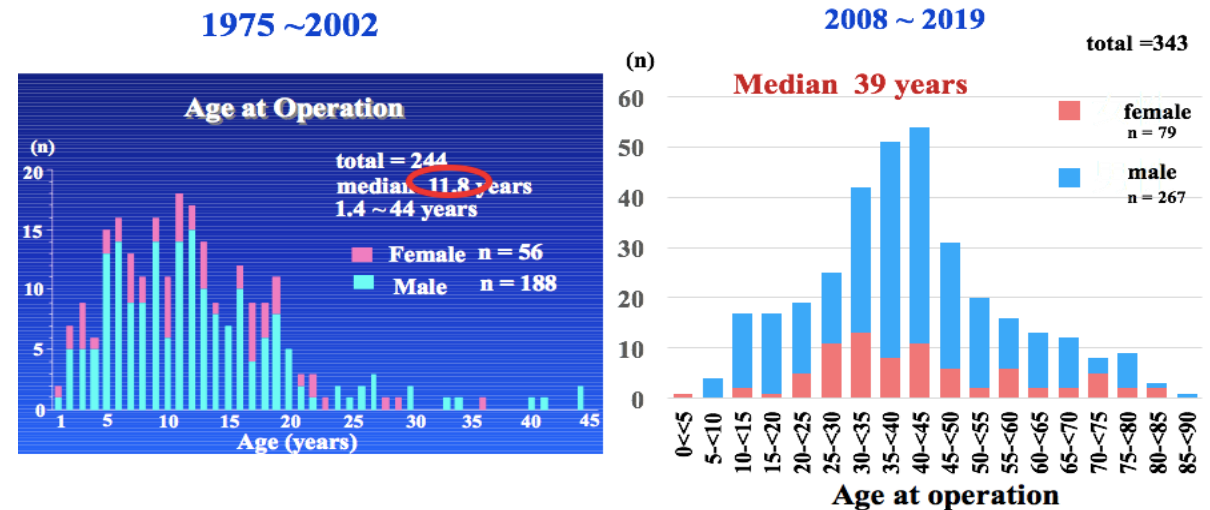
The Japan Experience: CABG in KD

Relation between stenosis and Coronary flow reserve



Coronary flow reserve is decreased after 85% stenosis

Changes in age at operation in Japan



Indication and timing of CABG need to be optimized

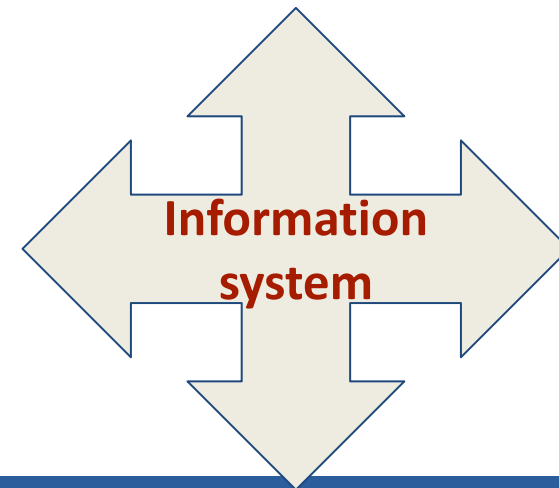
Should be performed as an elective procedure with preserved LV function

Multi-disciplinary decision making model



Right team of experts

Clear
communication
system in place



Transition of Care and Canvas for Future

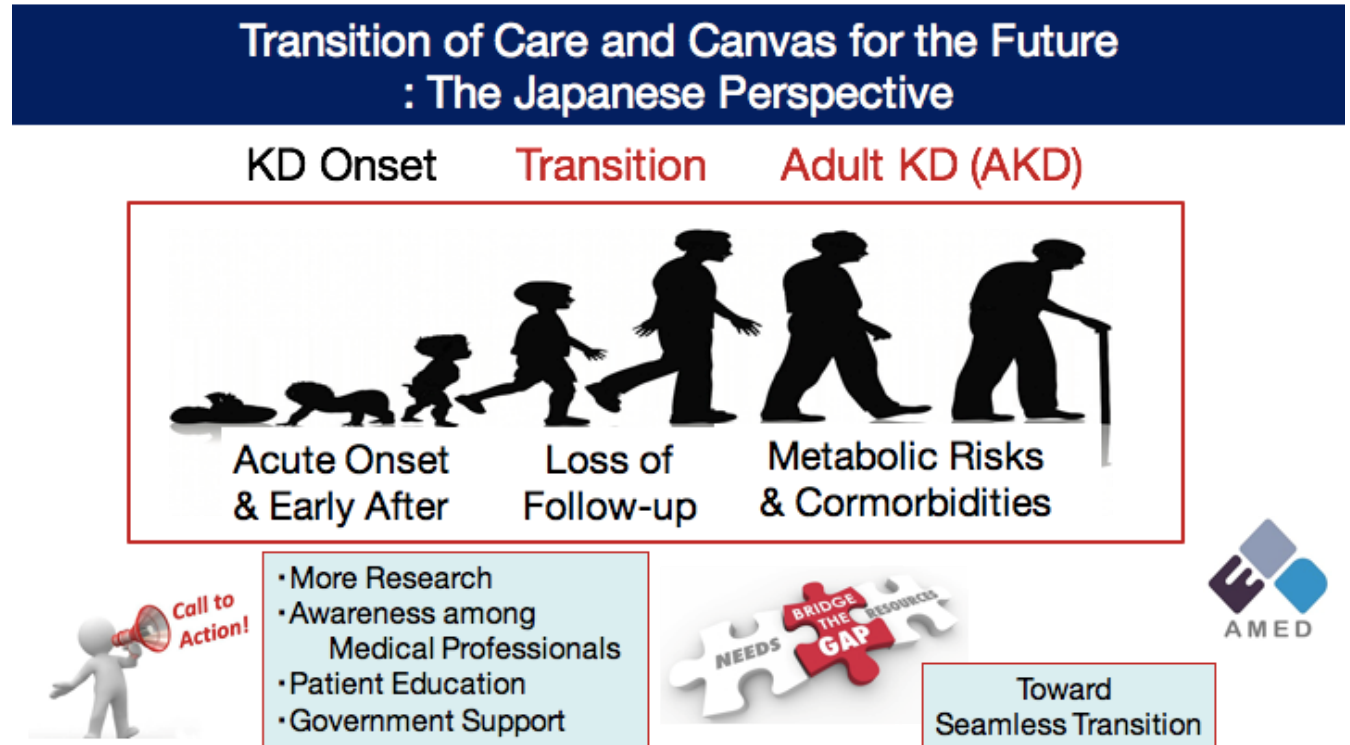
Why it is essential

Loss to follow-up

Needs are different

Females with KD and CALs

Patients once adult they want to be treated as adult



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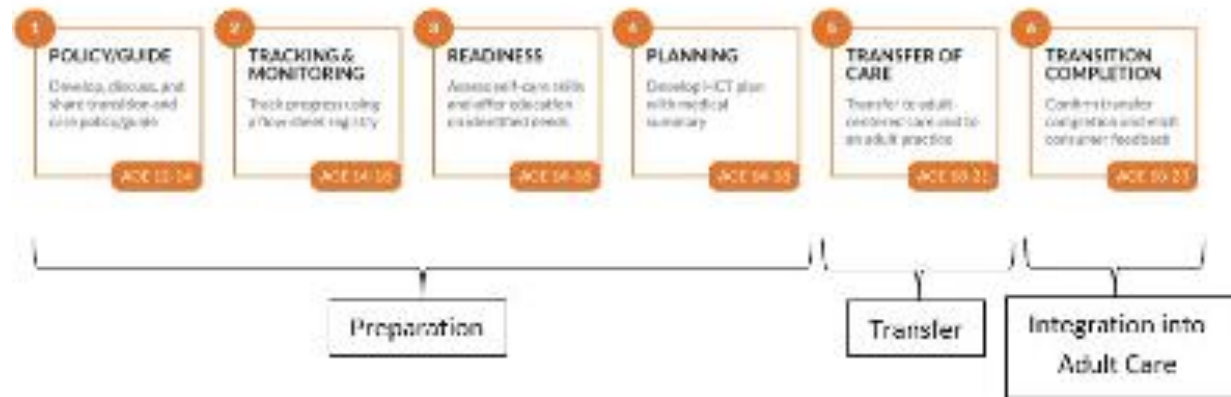
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Falling Through the Cracks: The Current Gap in the Health Care Transition of Patients With Kawasaki Disease

A Scientific Statement From the American Heart Association

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Medical summary

Empowerment of the patients

Patient
engagement

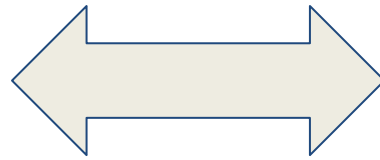
Patient
education

Health Passport

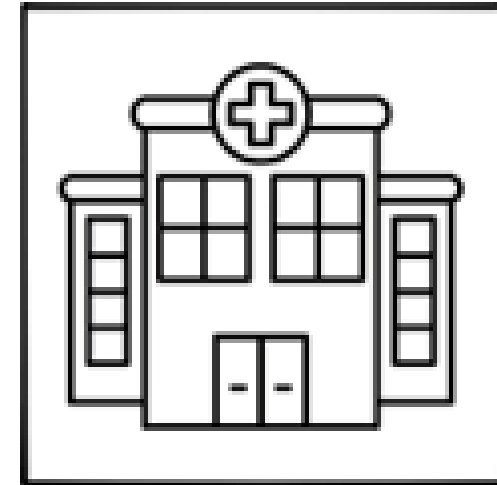
Transition of care

DEBATE: Who is going to see you once you are adult

Pediatric
cardiologist



Adult
cardiologist

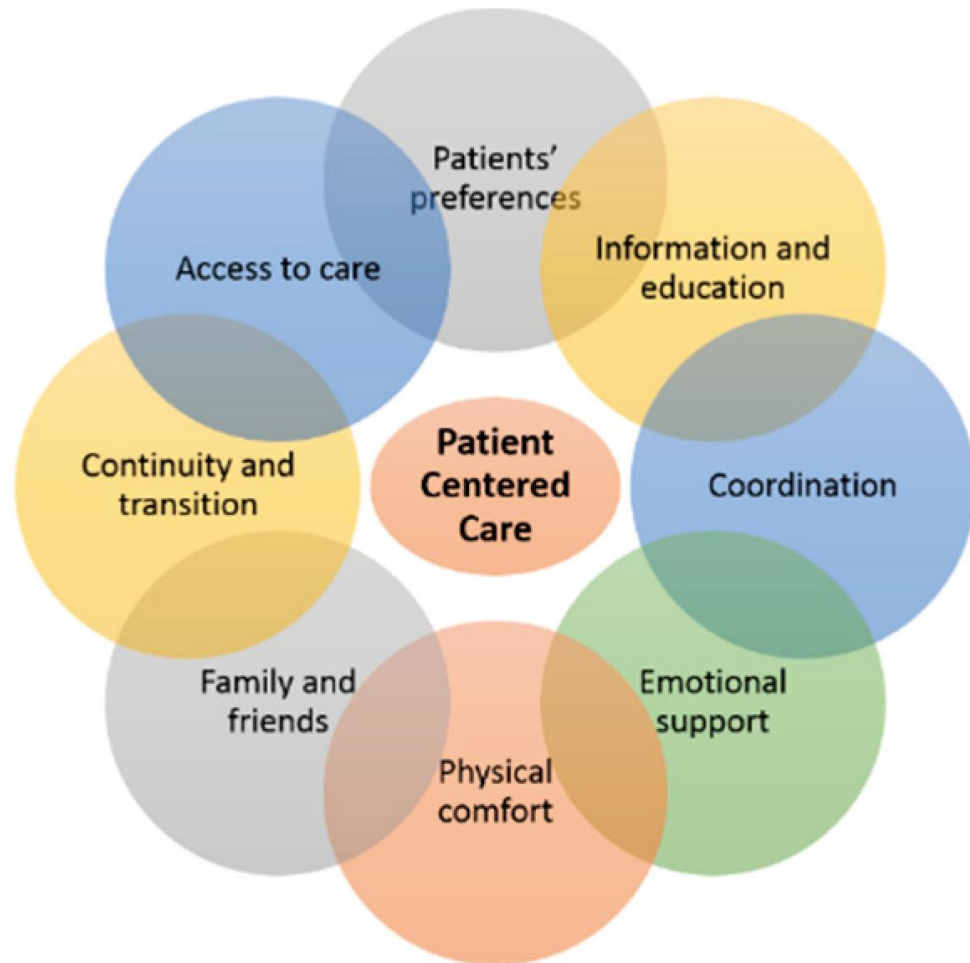


Transition from Pediatric to Adult cardiologist is essential



KD with CAA warrants
life-long expert care

Most unique and critical perspective



Patient perspective

Solving Worldwide Gaps in KD Care



Guideline Issues and Gaps (Expert Opinion)

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**Thank you and
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conference!**



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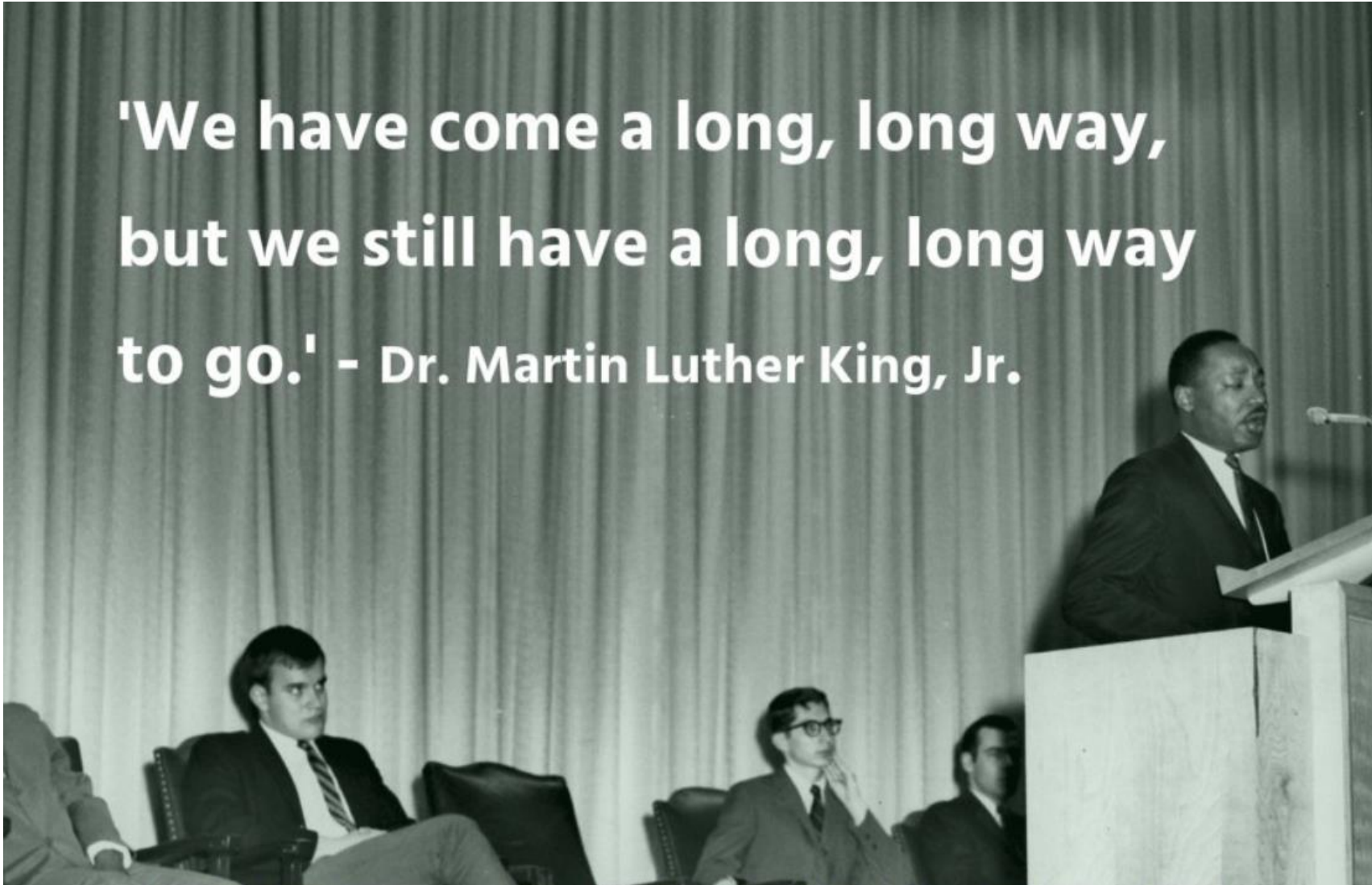


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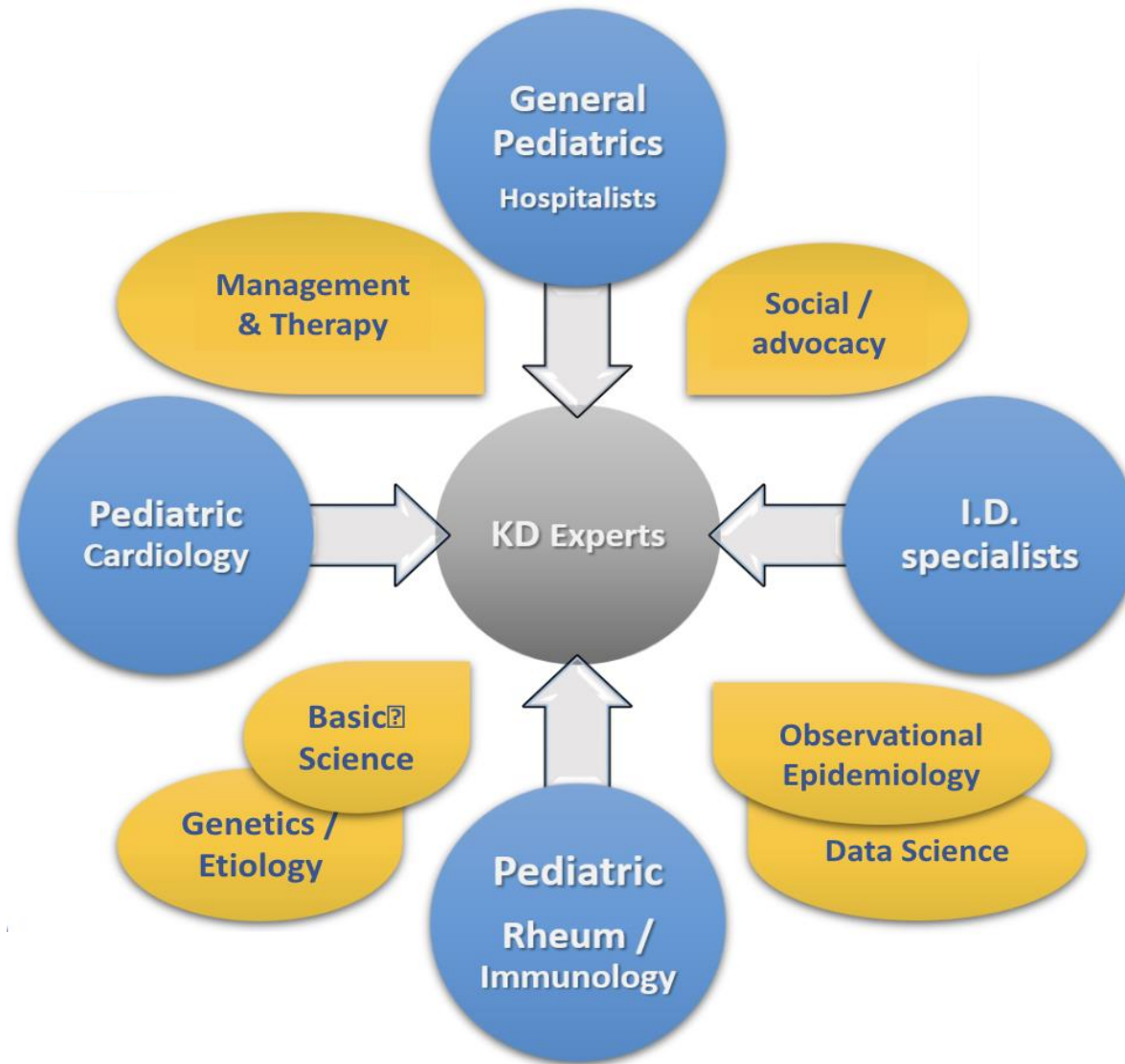
**'We have come a long, long way,
but we still have a long, long way
to go.' - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**



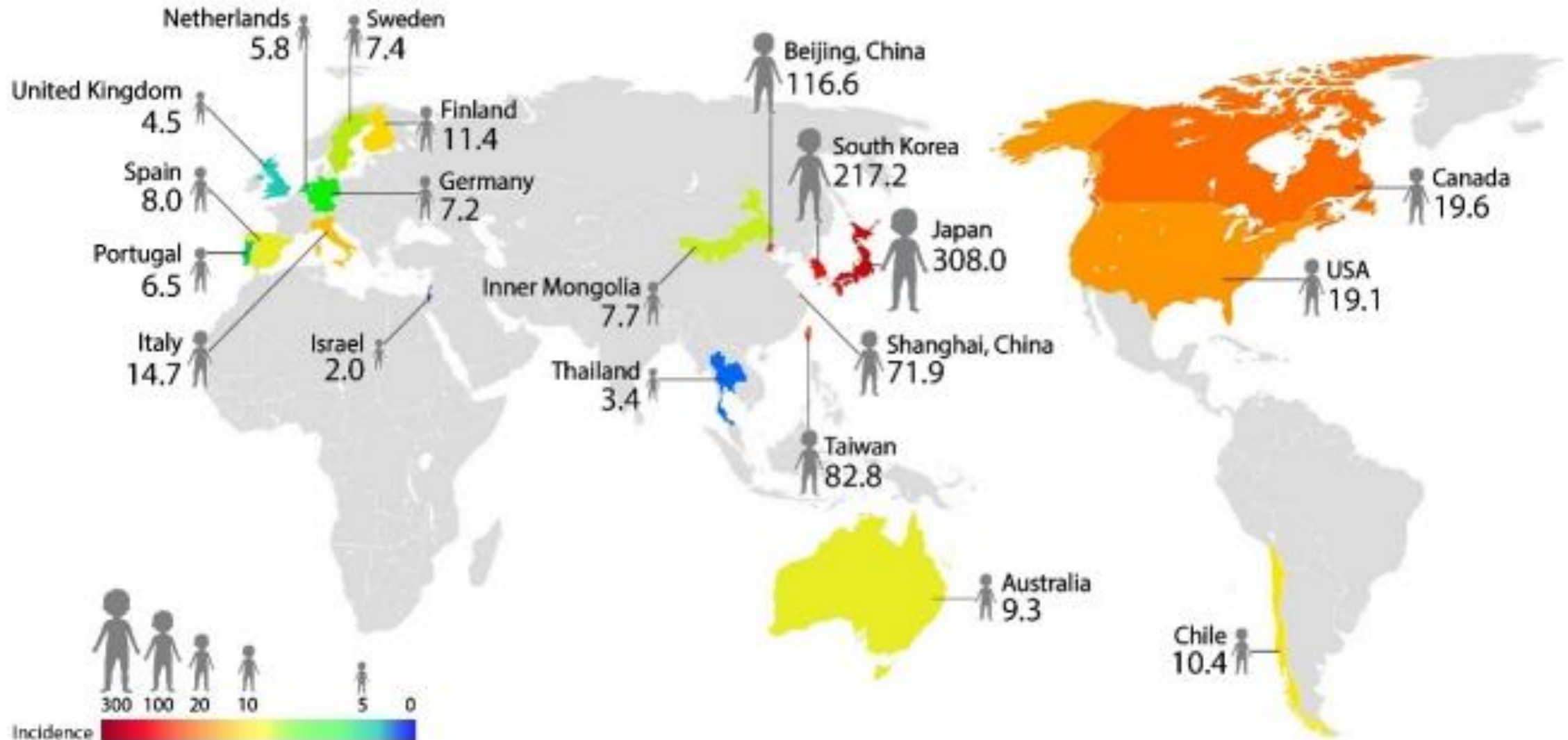
Collaboration



Multidisciplinary



International



Working together

Groups – Country / Region	Year	Countries	Institutions	Members
Nationwide Survey of Epidemiology of KD in South Korea (guidance of the Korean Society of KD) South Korea	1991	1	90	10-20
Registro Regionale della Malattia di Kawasaki Emilia Romagna Italy	2002	1	10	10-20
Japan Kawasaki Disease Genome Consortium (JKDGC) Japan	2009	1	40	20-50
Kawasaki Study Group Netherland	2012	1	18	10-20
REKAMLATINA (Red de Enfermedad de Kawasaki en América Latina) Latin-America	2013	20	86	100 +
International Kawasaki Disease Registry (IKDR) N-Am / International	2013	8	51	20-50
SOCIETI UK	2015	1	10	20-50
KAWARACE Spain	2015	1	95	100 +
Kawasaki Disease Comparative Effectiveness (KIDCARE) trial USA	2016	1	30	20-50
Asia Pacific Kawasaki Disease Association Eastern Asia / South-Pacific	2016	14	30	50-100
Genetic Prediction of KD Treatment Resistance (GENESYS) USA / North-Am	2018	2	6	10-20
Indian Society of Kawasaki Disease India	2018	1	10	50-100
Cardiac Catheterization in Kawasaki Disease registry (CCinKD registry) Germany / Europe	2019	6	16	20-50
JIR COHORT KD (KAWANET) and MIS-C Europe	2019	11	87	20-50
AMED Study Group Japan	2020	1	150	50-100
Cape Town Kawasaki Group South Africa	2020	1	2	10-20
COVASAKI network Italy	2020	1	18	20-50
KAWARABI (Kawasaki Disease Arab Initiative) MENA	2021	14	24	20-50
Kawasaki disease Sweden (SwedKD) Sweden	2021	1	1	10-20
Collaborated Surveillance by 4 Associations Working for Pediatric Critical Medicine (JMKsurvey) Japan	2022	1	50	10-20

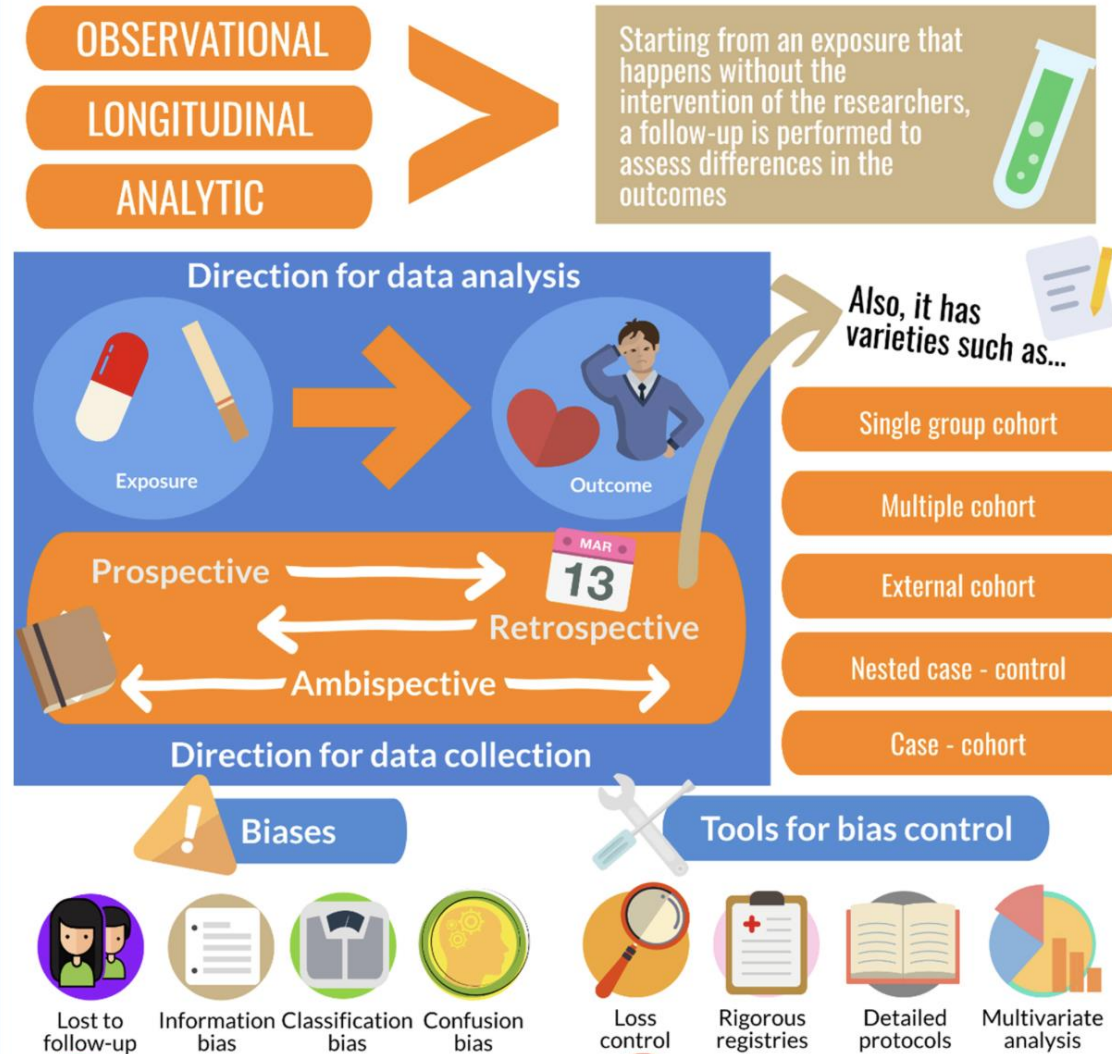
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Working Together to Get Numbers

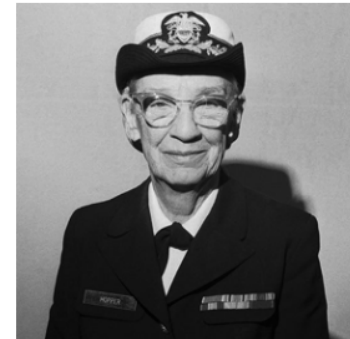


Observational Studies

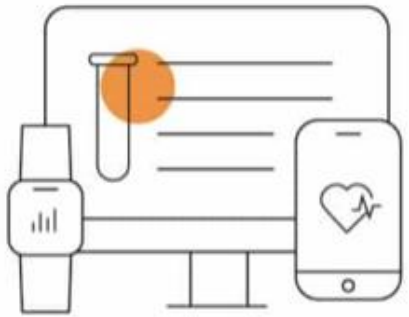


**‘The most dangerous
phrase in language is
‘We’ve always done
it that way**

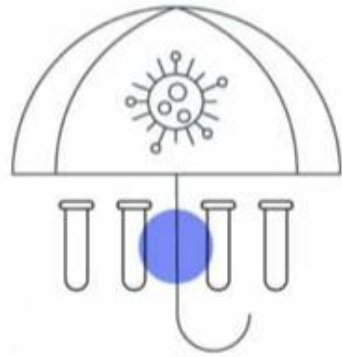
-Admiral Grace Hopper



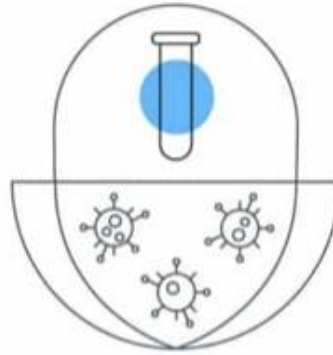
Re-think Clinical Trial Designs



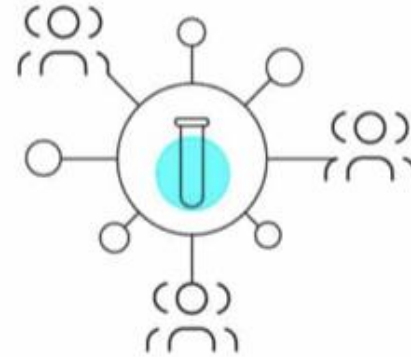
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control arms



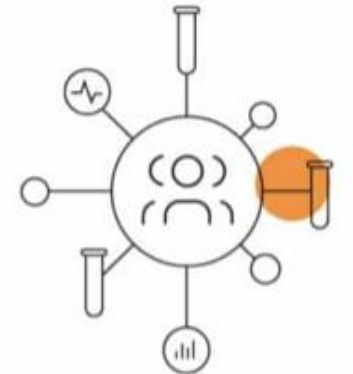
Umbrella
studies



Basket
(or bucket)
trials

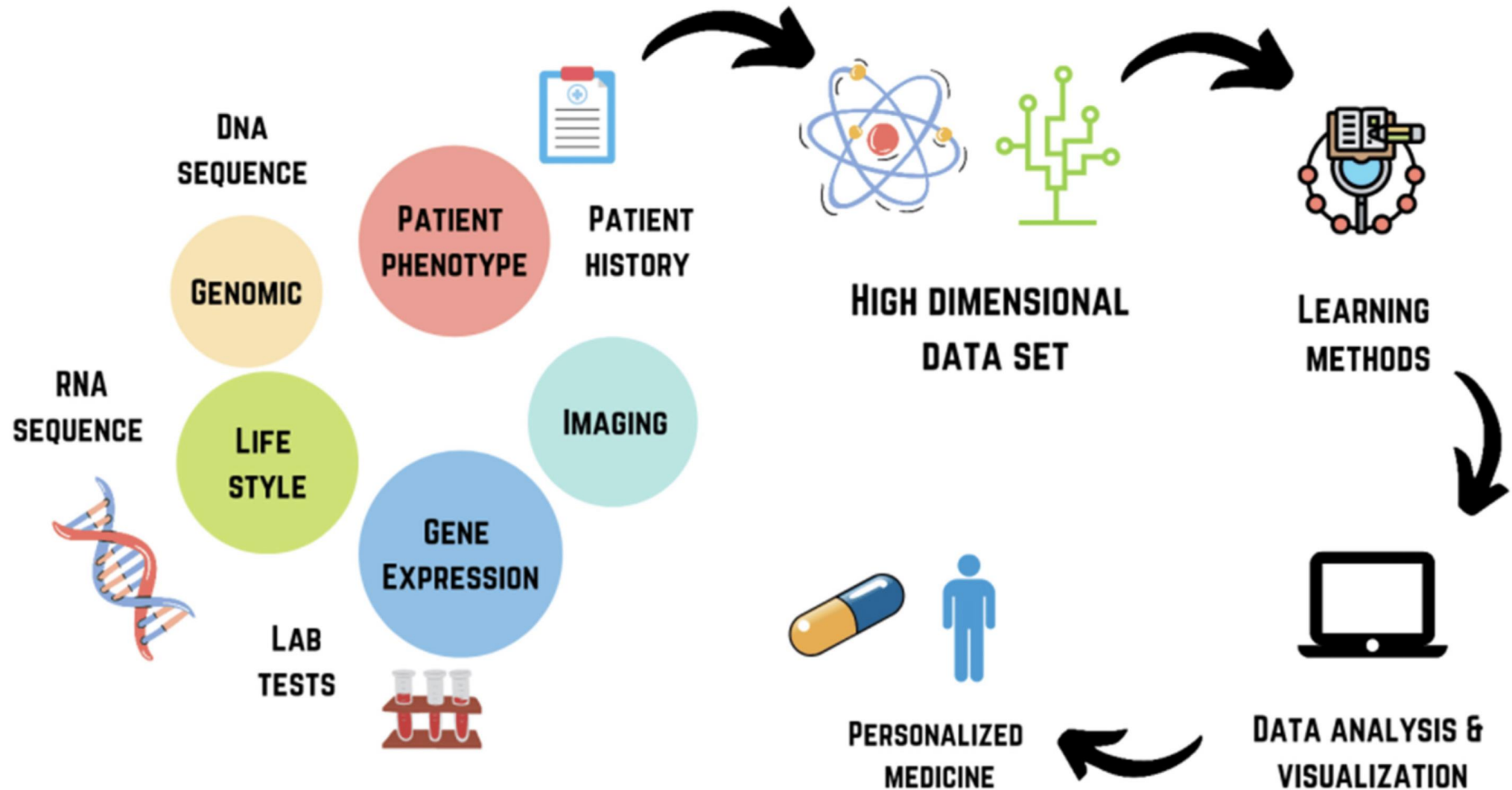


Platform
studies



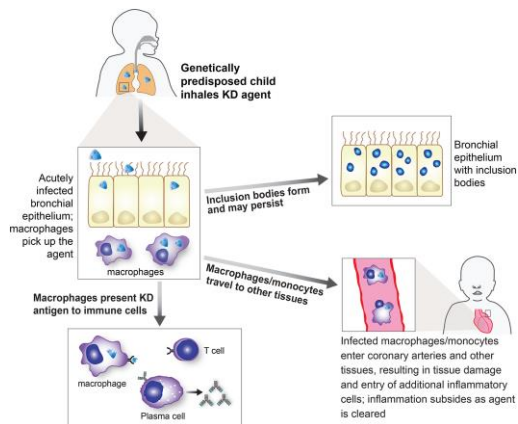
Master
Observational
Trials (MOTs)

Bioinformatics and Artificial Intelligence



Gaps in knowledge

Etiology



Treatment

Adjunctive Therapy for high risk KD patients

Which agent to use?

- 2nd dose of IVIG (2 g/kg)**
- Infliximab (10 mg/kg)
- Steroids
- Cyclosporine
- Cytoxin
- Other (anakinra, etanercept, plasmapheresis)

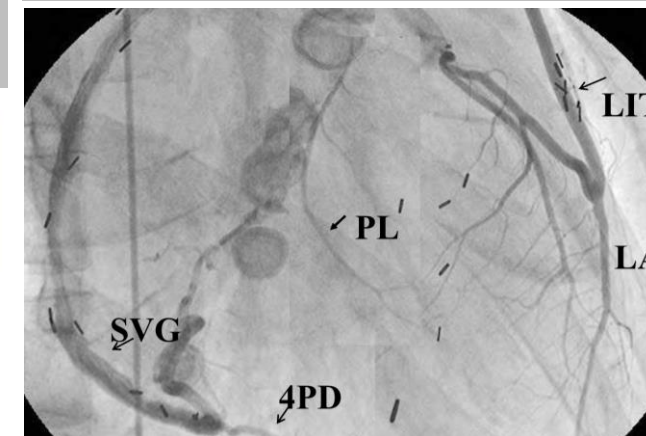
** risk for hemolytic anemia



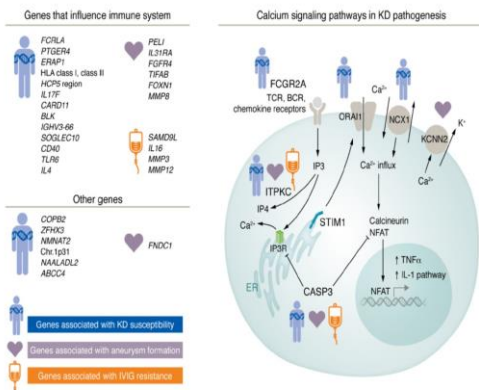
Imaging surveillance CAA

Invasive Angiography	Cardiac CT (old technology)	Cardiac CT (New Technology)	Cardiac MRI
Sedation Central Access Radiation Iodinated Contrast Lumen only Resolution: 0.1-0.2 mm	Sedation < 6 yo PIV Radiation (15 mSv) Iodinated Contrast Lumen and vessel wall (calcium plaque, thrombus) DS/Volumetric: 0.6 mm CT Perfusion: high radiation	Sedation < 6 yo PIV Radiation (1-2 mSv) Iodinated Contrast Lumen and vessel wall (calcium, plaque, thrombus) Photon counting: 0.2 mm CT perfusion: high radiation	Sedation < 8 yo PIV No Radiation Gadolinium (FDA alert) Lumen and vessel wall (thrombus, no plaque) Image quality inversely related to age/HR Perfusion with no radiation

Revascularization



Genetics



Anticoagulation

Safety Profile: Phase 3 Pediatric DOAC Prophylaxis Trials

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	Rivaroxaban UNIVERSE	Apixaban SAXOPHONE (KD = 16)	Edoxaban ENNOBLE-ATE (KD = 24)	Edoxaban ENNOBLE-ATE (Extension)	Apixaban PREVAPIX-ALL
Adult dose equivalence	10 mg, Q day (↓)	5 mg, BID (↑)	60 mg, Q day (↑)	60 mg, Q day (↑)	2.5 mg, BID (↓)
Number of patients	112	129	109	144	256
Age in years (median)	4	8	8	8	7
Δt on DOACs (months)	12	12	3	9	1
Bleeding (overall)	2%	<1%	None	<1%	<1%
	6%	<1%	<1%	<1%	4%
	33%	36%	NA	NA	NA

Legends: KD, Kawasaki disease; mg, milligram; BID, twice a day; Q day, once a day; VTE, venous thromboembolism; Δt, time interval; DOAC, direct oral anticoagulant; NA, not available

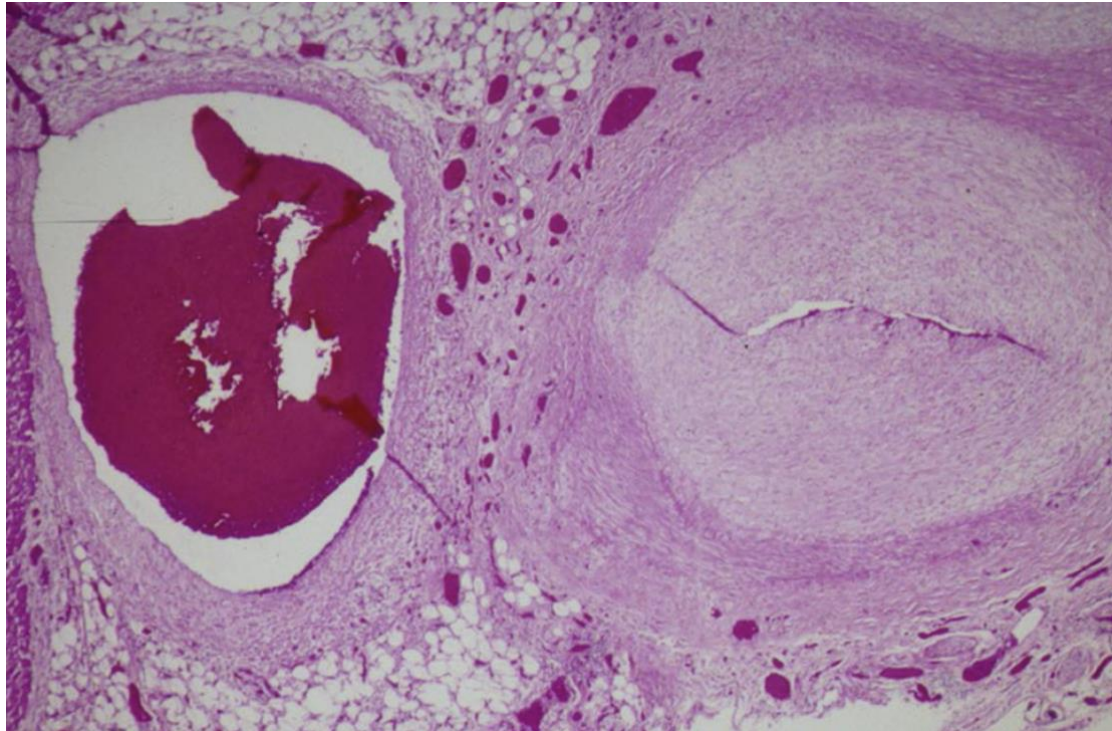
Assessment of ischemia

	Stress Echo	Stress CMR	CCTA	Stress SPECT	Stress PET
Advantage	Low cost Wide availability versatility	Myocardial fibrosis tissue characterization Ischemia, viability function	Widely available Coronary anatomy plaque, perivascular inflammation, coronary calcification	Quantitative Established	Quantitative Absolute Coronary flow
Disadvantage	Good image Quality needed Operator dependence	Limited availability Implantable devices Claustrophobia Gadolinium contrast needed	Moderate radiation exposure Nephrotoxic iodine contrast	High radiation exposure High cost	Moderate radiation exposure High cost

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Figure 3. Pathways and genes influencing KD susceptibility and outcome. Figure concept and design are courtesy of Chivato Shimizu.

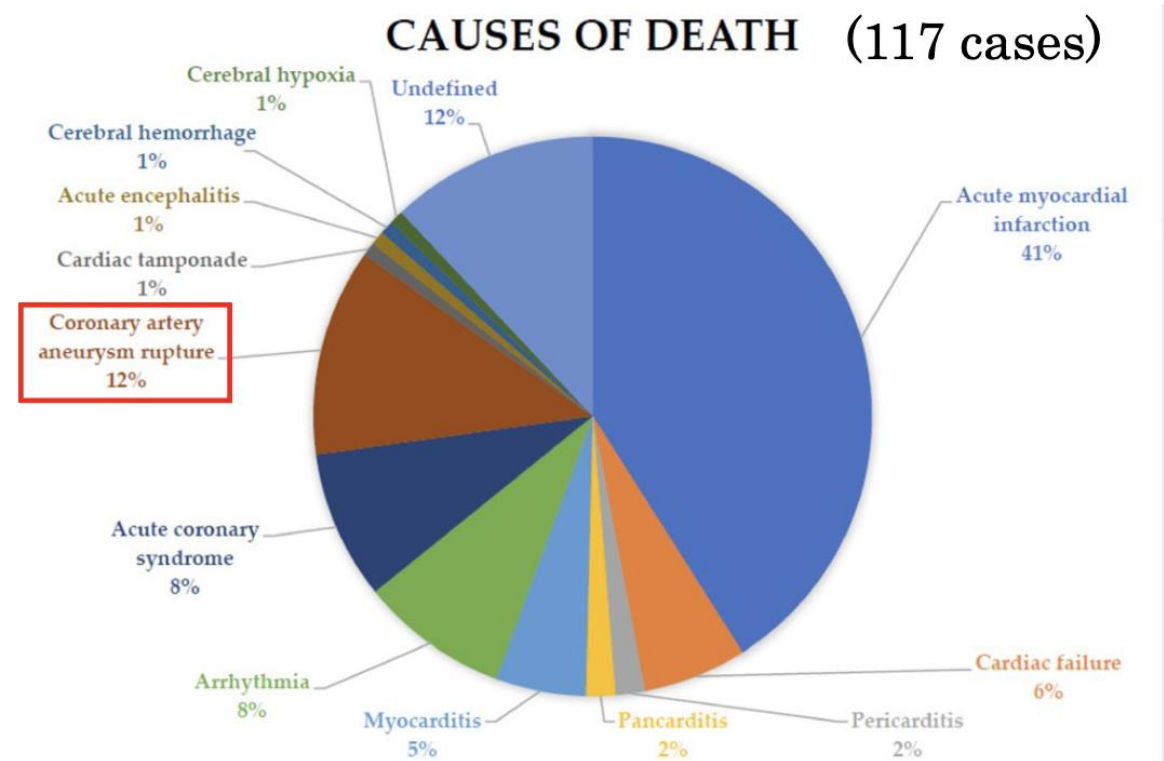
Correlation with Outcomes



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