



# Mitochondrial Diseases

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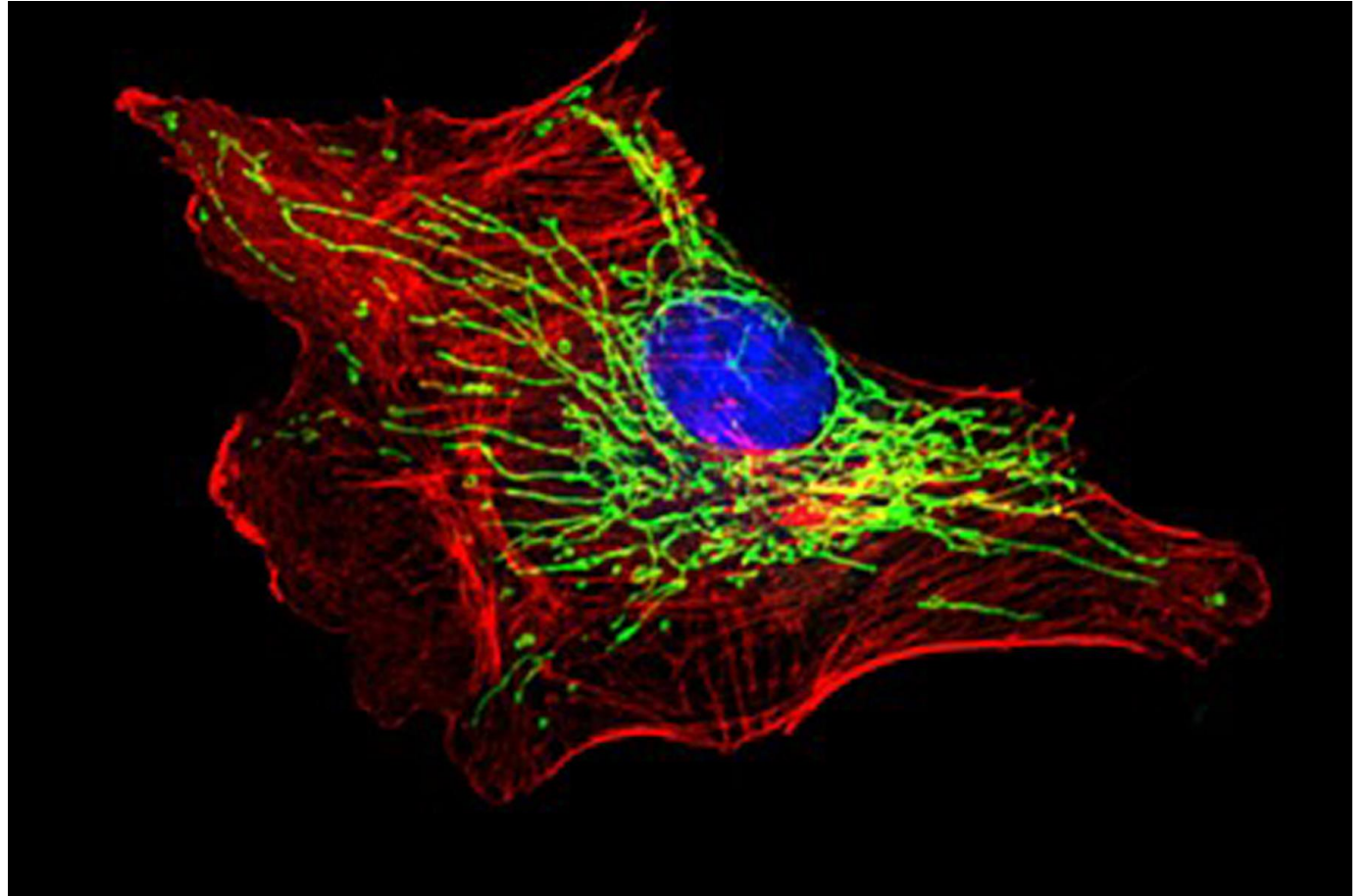
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# Mitochondria

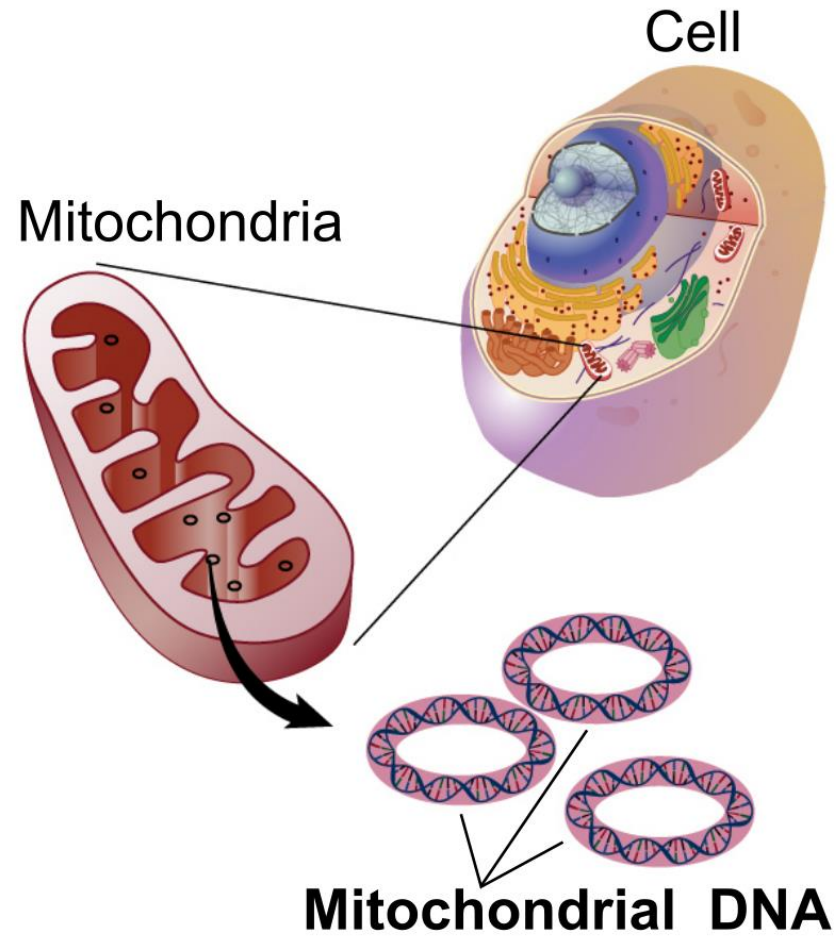
- Present in all cells (except RBC's)
- Multiple copies/cell
- Dynamic network



# Mitochondria - functions

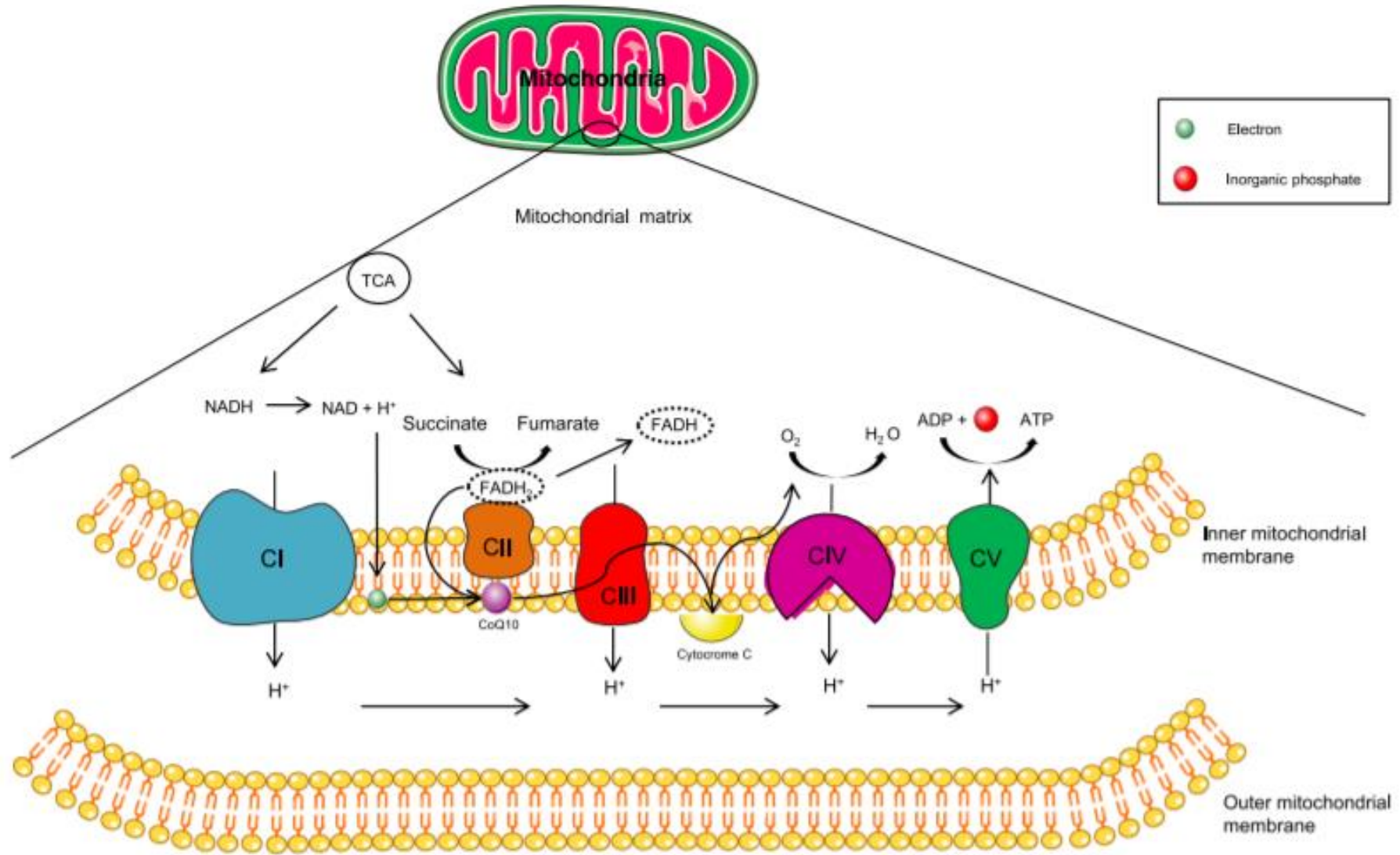
- Calcium homeostasis
- Apoptosis
- Autophagy
- Different enzymatic pathways (e. g. Krebs cycle, urea cycle, heme synthesis)
- ATP-production
- Redox balance

# Mitochondria

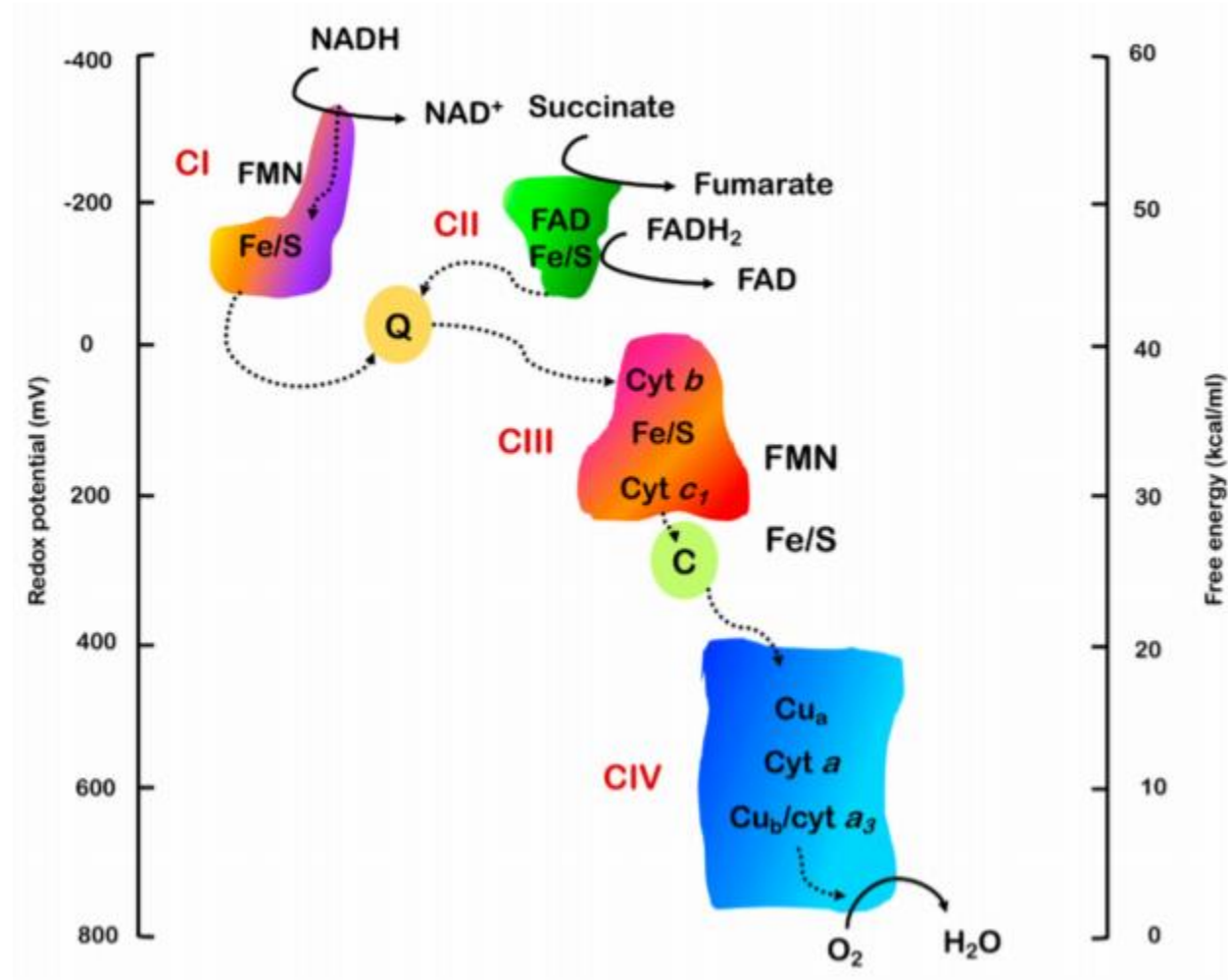


# Mitochondria – ATP production

- Oxidative Phosphorylation (OXPHOS)



# Electron transport chain

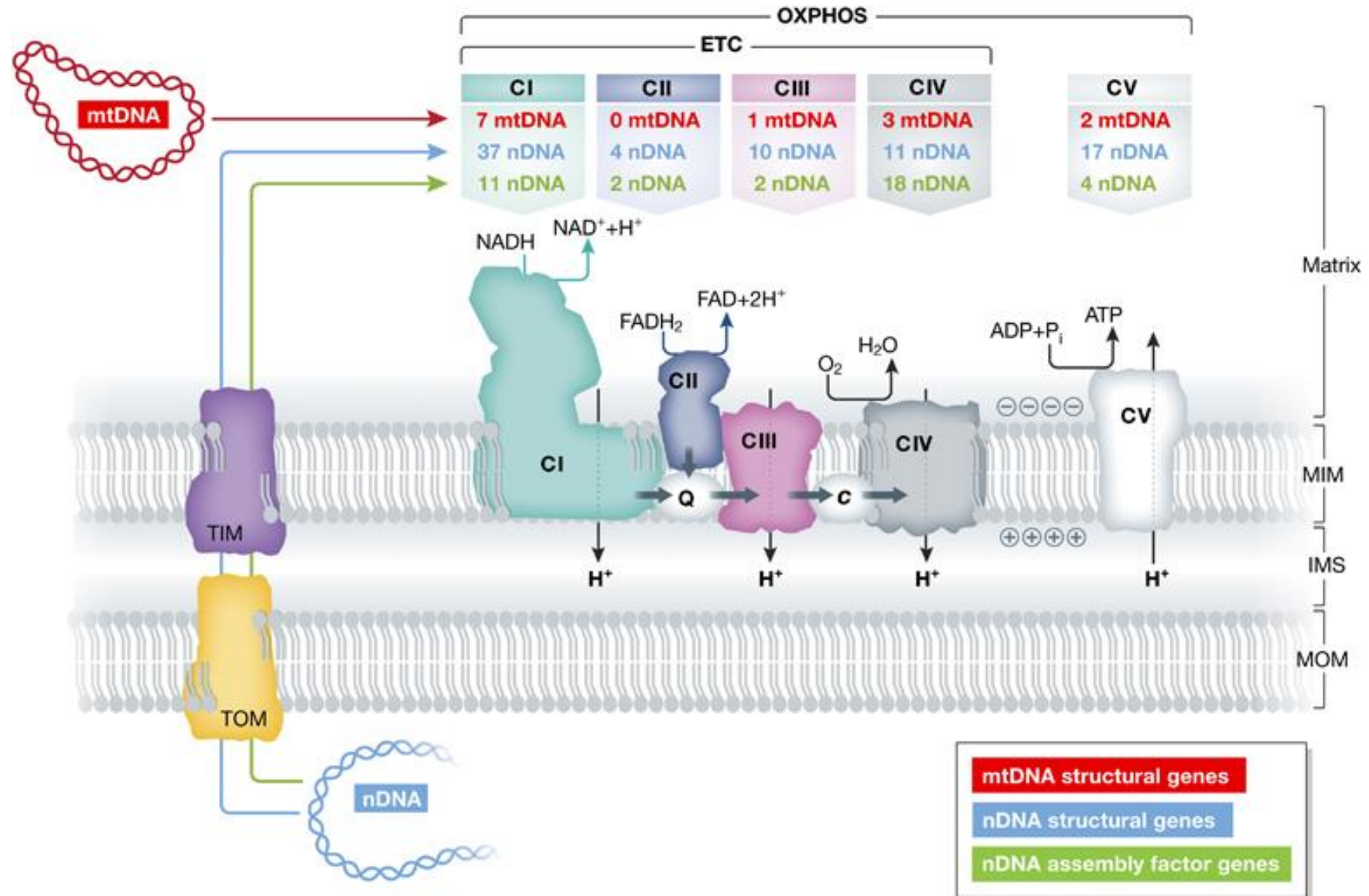


# Particularities in mitochondrial disorders

- Dual genomic control: mtDNA en nDNA
- Maternal inheritance VS autosomal recessive/(autosomal dominant)
- Heteroplasmy
- Tissue specific genotype
- Depletion
- Bottleneck phenomenon

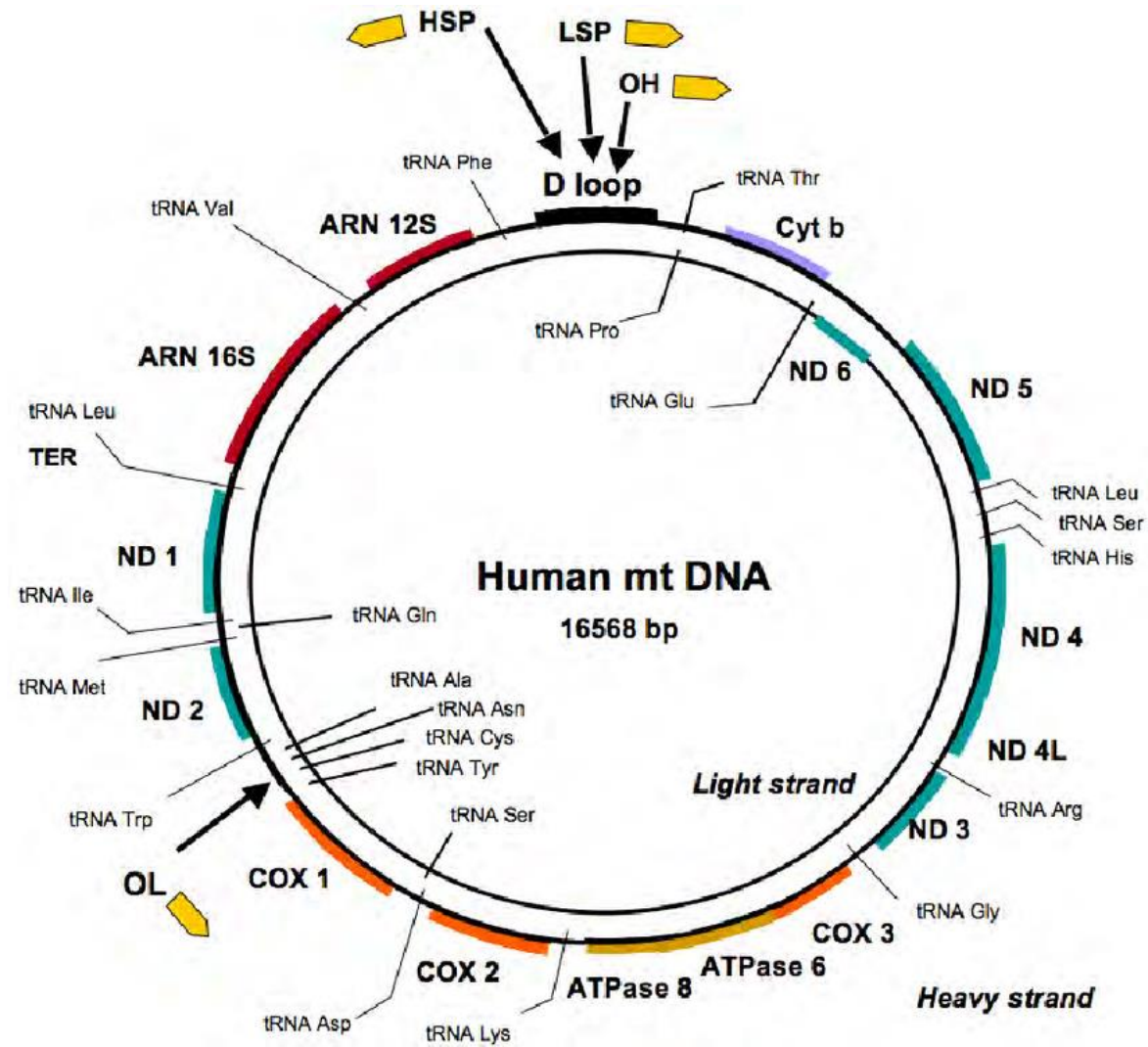
# Particularities

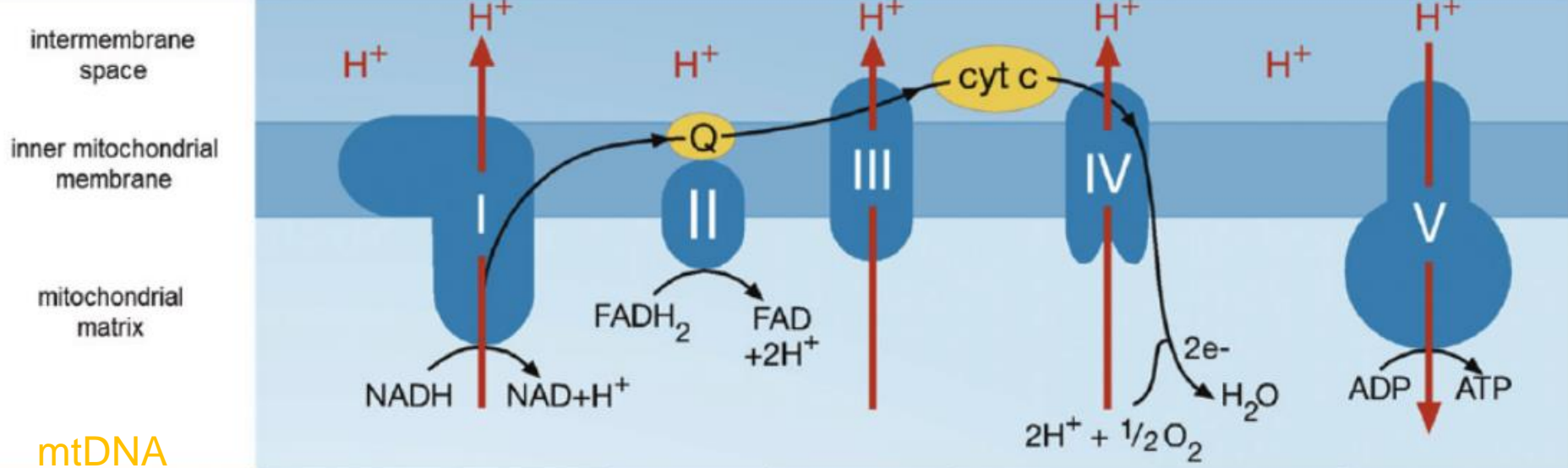
- Functions thanks to the concerted action of two genomes





# mtDNA



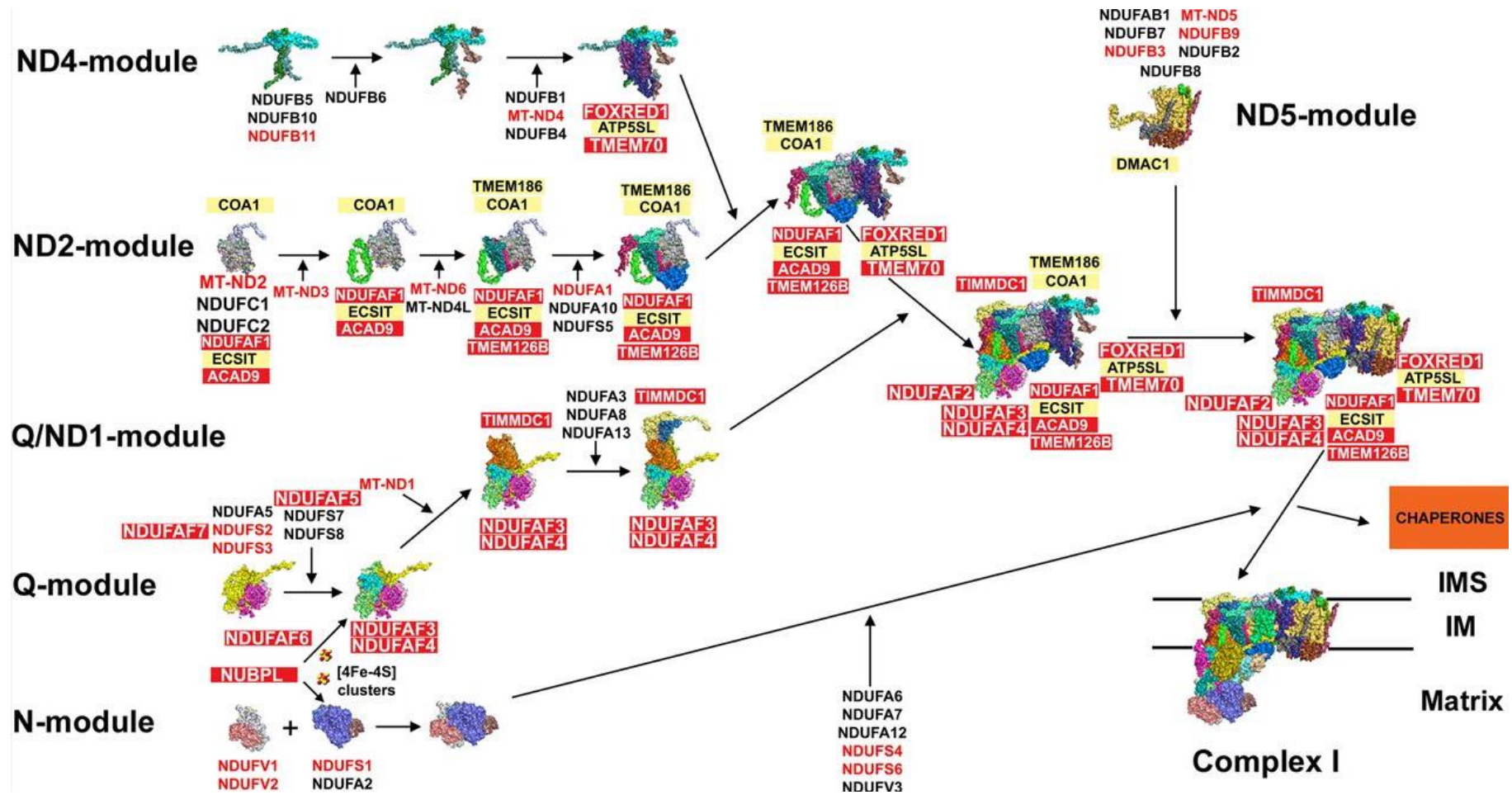


mtDNA

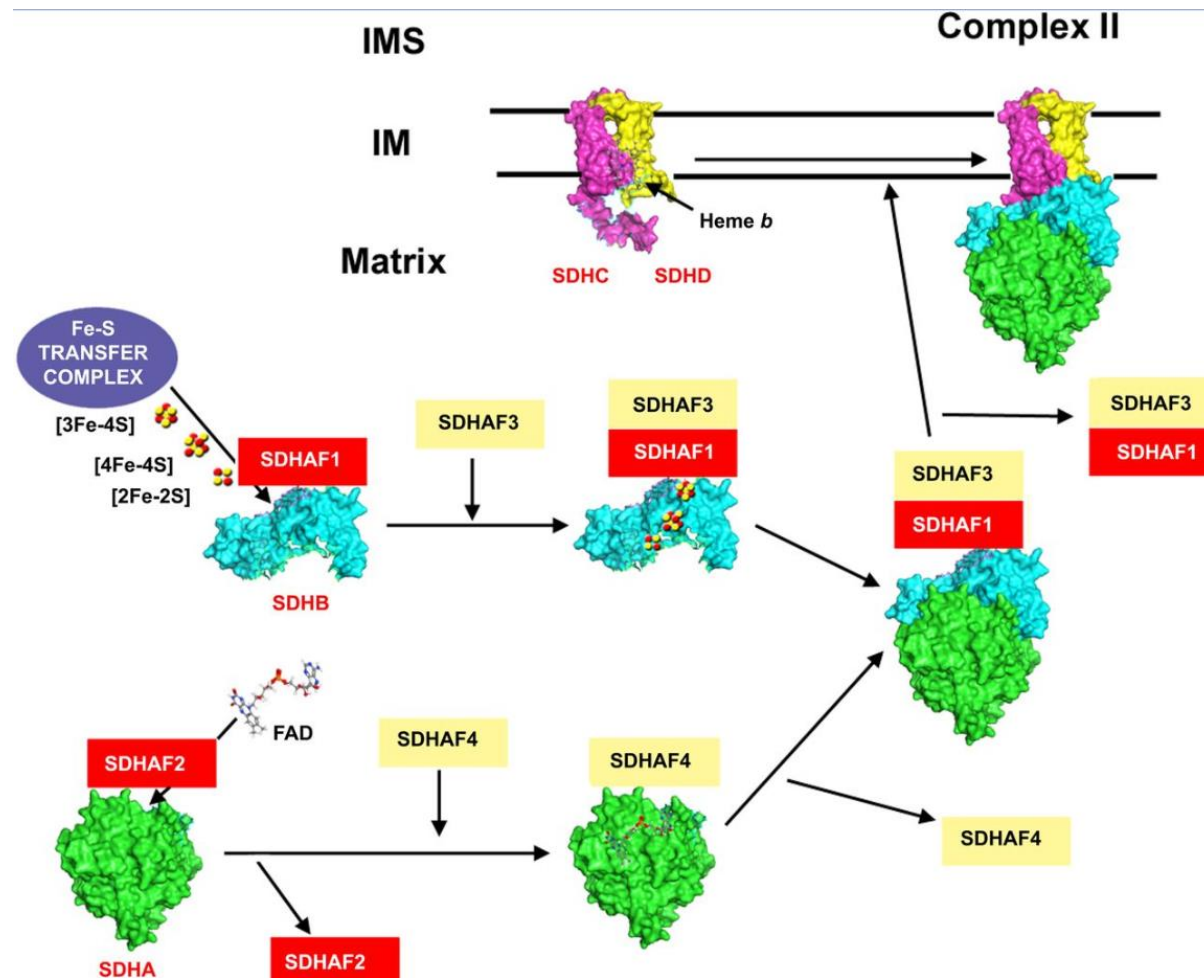
| OXPHOS Component                            | Complex I  | Complex II  | Complex III  | Complex IV  | Complex V  |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| mtDNA structural subunit genes              | <i>MTND1</i> [120] <i>MTND2</i> [121] <i>MTND3</i> [122]<br><i>MTND4</i> [123] <i>MTND4L</i> [124]<br><i>MTND5</i> [125] <i>MTND6</i> [126]  | -   | <i>MTCYB</i> [127]   | <i>MTCO1</i> [128]<br><i>MTCO2</i> [129]<br><i>MTCO3</i> [130]  | <i>MTATP6</i> [131]<br><i>MTATP8</i> [132]   |
| Nuclear structural subunit genes            | <i>NDUFS1</i> [133] <i>NDUFS2</i> [134]<br><i>NDUFS3</i> [135] <i>NDUFS4</i> [136] <i>NDUFS5</i><br><i>NDUFS6</i> [137] <i>NDUFS7</i> [138]<br><i>NDUFS8</i> [139] <i>NDUFA1</i> [140]<br><i>NDUFA2</i> [141] <i>NDUFA3</i> <i>NDUFA5</i><br><i>NDUFA6</i> <i>NDUFA7</i> <i>NDUFA8</i><br><i>NDUFA9</i> [142] <i>NDUFA10</i> [143]<br><i>NDUFA11</i> [21] <i>NDUFA12</i> [144]<br><i>NDUFA13</i> [145] <i>NDUFAB1</i><br><i>NDUFV1</i> [146] <i>NDUFV2</i> [147] <i>NDUFV3</i><br><i>NDUFB1</i> <i>NDUFB2</i> <i>NDUFB3</i> [148]<br><i>NDUFB4</i> <i>NDUFB5</i> <i>NDUFB6</i> <i>NDUFB7</i><br><i>NDUFB8</i> <i>NDUFB9</i> [149] <i>NDUFB10</i><br><i>NDUFB11</i> [150] <i>NDUFC1</i> <i>NDUFC2</i> | <i>SDHA</i> [25]<br><i>SDHB</i> [151]<br><i>SDHC</i><br><i>SDHD</i> [152] | <i>UQCRCB</i> [153]<br><i>UQCRC1</i><br><i>CYC1</i> [156]<br><i>UQCRC2</i> [154]<br><i>UQCRFS1</i><br><i>UQCRH</i><br><i>UQCRQ</i> [155]<br><i>UQCR10</i><br><i>UQCR11</i> | <i>COX4</i> [157]<br><i>COX5A</i><br><i>COX5B</i><br><i>COX6A</i> [57]<br><i>COX6B</i> [158]<br><i>COX6C</i><br><i>COX7A</i><br><i>COX7B</i> [159]<br><i>COX7C</i><br><i>COX8</i> [160]   | <i>ATP5A1</i> [76]<br><i>ATP5B</i><br><i>ATP5C1</i><br><i>ATP5D</i><br><i>ATP5E</i> [161]<br><i>ATP5F1</i><br><i>ATP5G1</i> <i>ATP5G2</i><br><i>ATP5G3</i><br><i>ATP5H</i><br><i>ATP5I</i><br><i>ATP5O</i><br><i>ATP5J</i> <i>ATP5J2</i><br><i>ATP5L</i> <i>ATP5L2</i> |
| Assembly factor and ancillary protein genes | <i>NDUFAP1</i> [162] <i>NDUFAP2</i> [163]<br><i>NDUFAP3</i> [164] <i>NDUFAP4</i> [165]<br><i>NDUFAP5</i> [166] <i>NDUFAP6</i> [167]<br><i>NDUFAP7</i> <i>FOXRED1</i> [168]<br><i>ACAD9</i> [30] <i>ECSIT</i><br><i>NUBPL</i> [168] <i>TMEM126B</i> [28, 37]<br><i>TIMMDC1</i> <i>C17orf89</i>  | <i>SDHAF1</i> [41]<br><i>SDHAF2</i><br><i>SDHAF3</i><br><i>SDHAF4</i>     | <i>BCS1L</i> [49]<br><i>LYRM7</i> [169]<br><i>UQCC1</i><br><i>UQCC2</i> [170]<br><i>UQCC3</i> [171]<br><i>TTC19</i> [172]<br><i>PTCD2</i>                                  | <i>COA1</i> <i>COA3</i> [173] <i>COA4</i> <i>COA5</i> [174]<br><i>COA6</i> [175] <i>COA7</i> <i>COX10</i> [176] <i>COX11</i><br><i>COX14</i> [177] <i>COX15</i> [178] <i>COX16</i> <i>COX17</i><br><i>COX18</i> <i>COX19</i> <i>COX20</i> [179] <i>SCO1</i> [180]<br><i>SCO2</i> [181] <i>SURF1</i> [182] <i>PET117</i><br><i>LRPPRC</i> [183] <i>PET100</i> [184] <i>CEP89</i> [185]<br><i>TACO1</i> [186] <i>OXA1L</i> <i>APOPT1</i> [187]<br><i>NDUFA4</i> [53] <i>FASTKD2</i> [188] | <i>ATPAF1</i><br><i>ATPAF2</i> [189]<br><i>TMEM70</i> [58]   |

nDNA

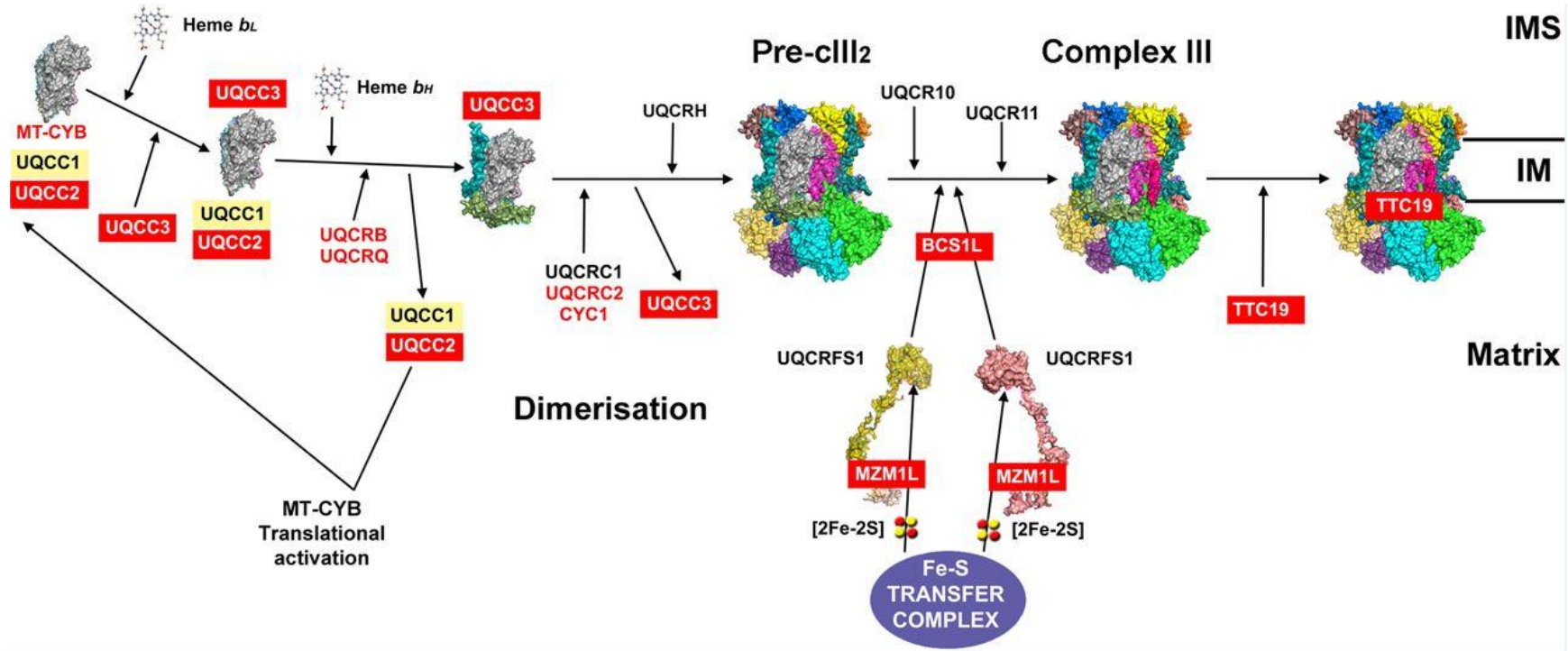
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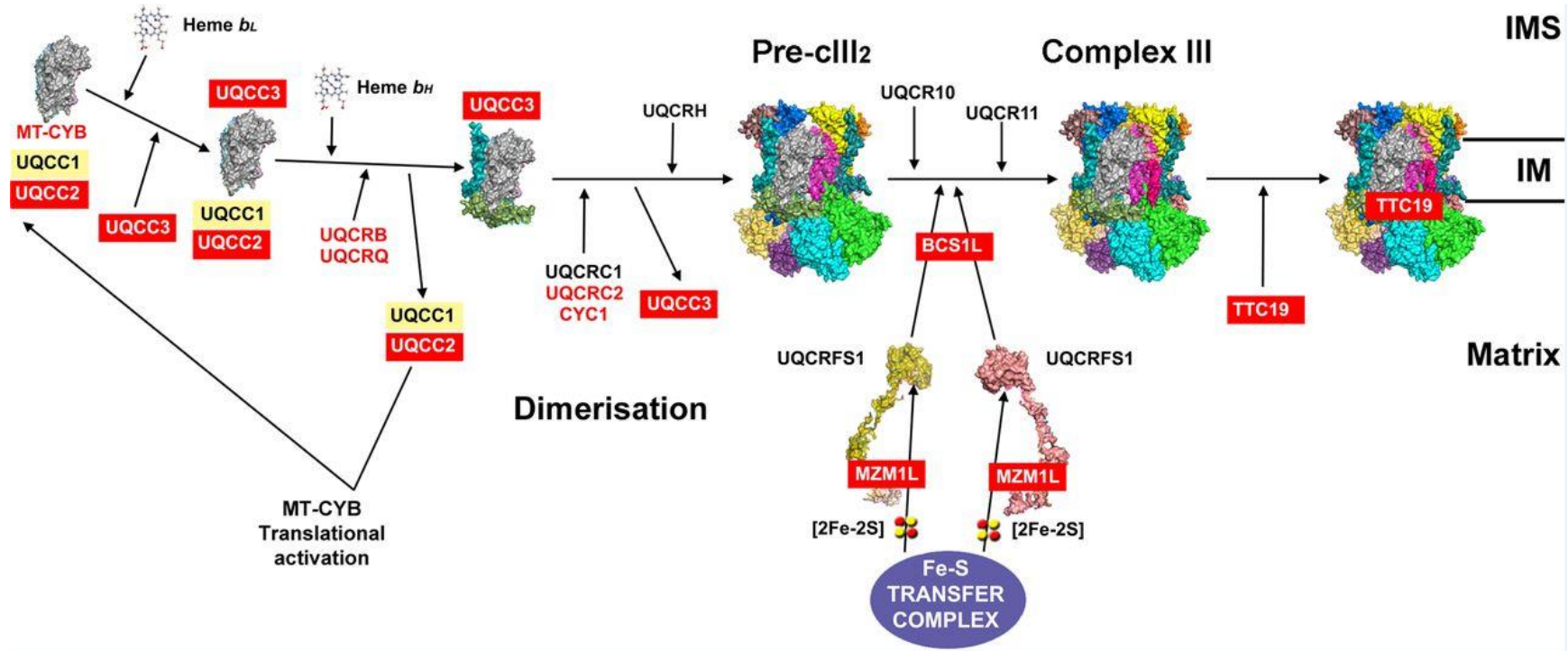
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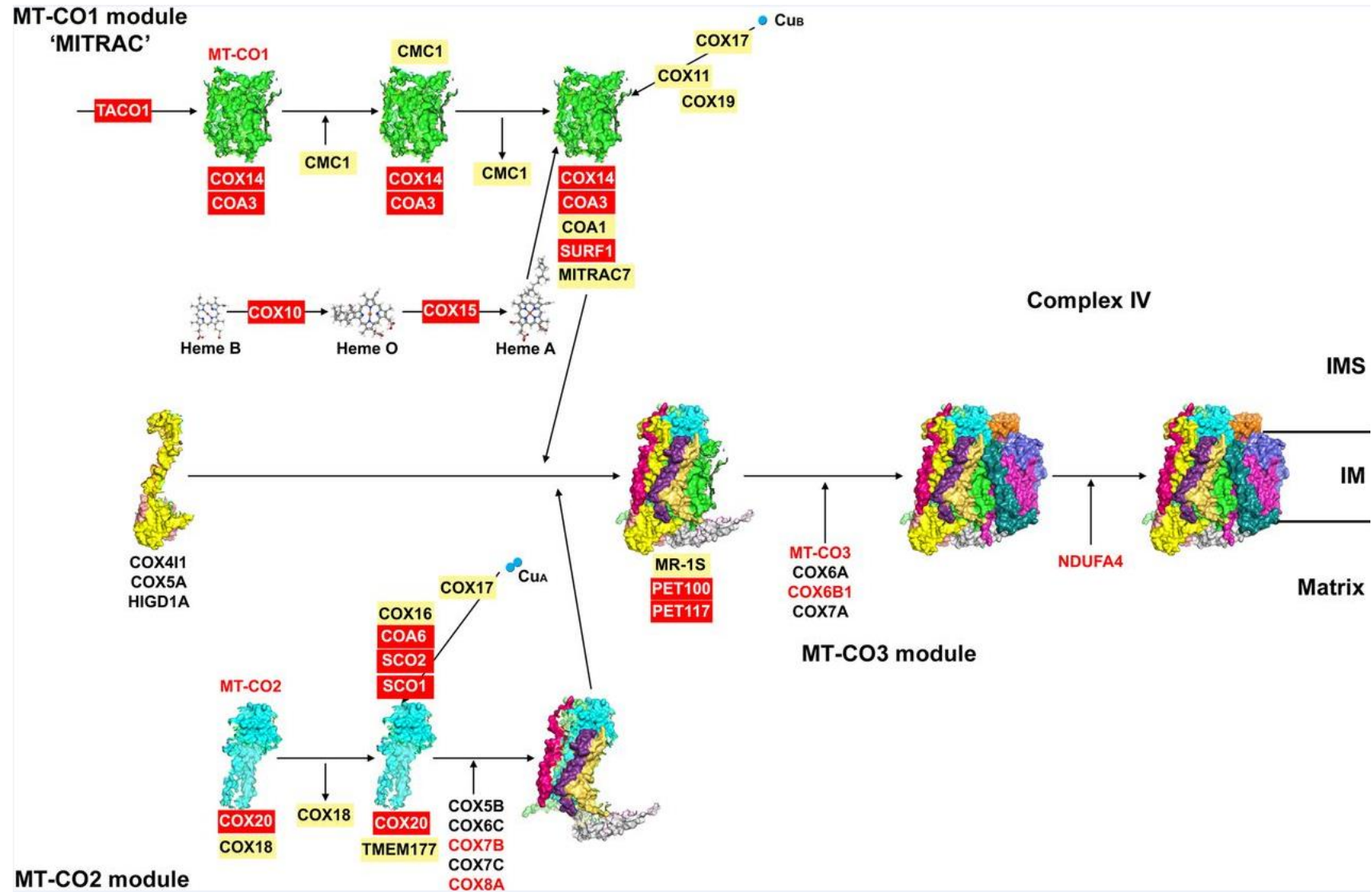
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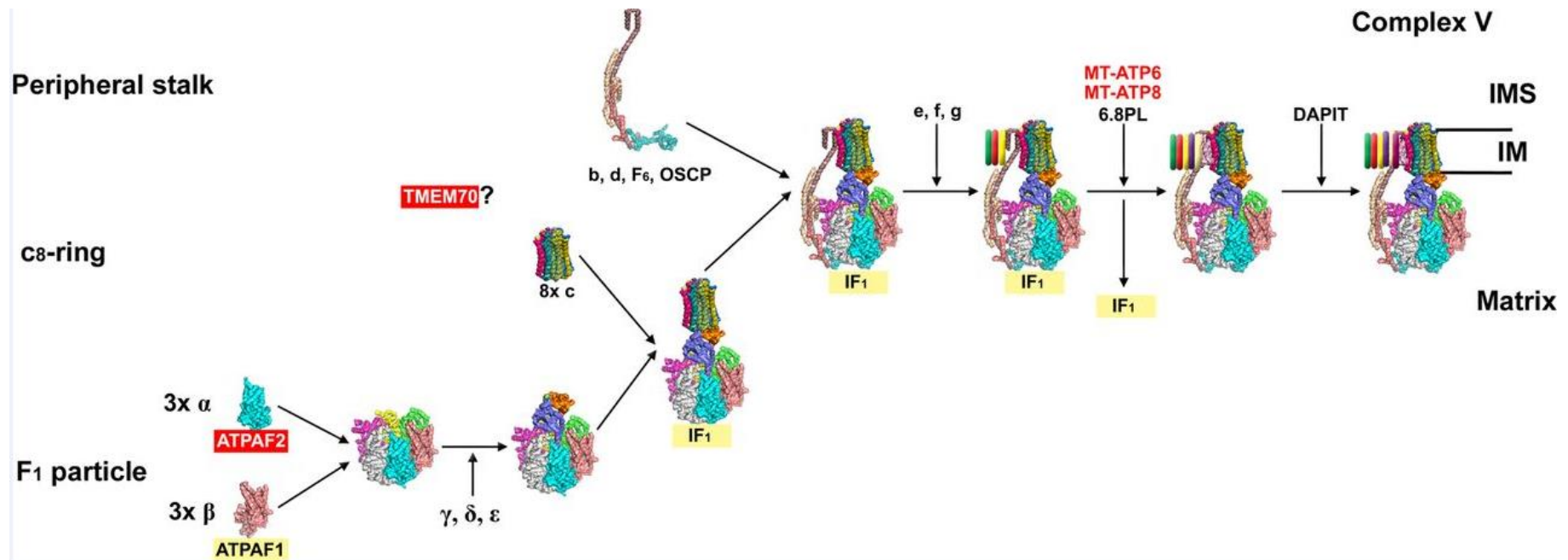
# Complex III



# Complex IV



# Complex V







# Nuclear genes involved in mitochondrial functioning: Mitocarta 2.0

Athena x Human MitoCarta2.0 x depletion mtDNA – Recherche G x The Dimensions of Primary Mito x The mitochondrial protein import x

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## Human MitoCarta2.0: 1158 mitochondrial genes

The MitoCarta2.0 human inventory is a collection of 1158 nuclear and mtDNA genes encoding proteins with strong support of mitochondrial localization. The table below provides a summary of evidence supporting mitochondrial localization as well as the protein distribution across 14 tissues. The genes are ordered by strength of mitochondrial evidence. More complete information is available for download in file [Human MitoCarta2.0.xls](#). See also [MitoCarta2.0 home](#) for a description of the project and [MitoCarta2.0 documentation](#) for information on the columns below.

| GeneID | Symbol  | Description  | Synonyms   | Maestro score | FDR | Evidence   | Tissues |
|--------|---------|--|--|---------------|-----|--|---------|
| 1537   | CYC1    | cytochrome c-1   | MC3DN6, UQCR4, P08574                                      | 43            | 0%  | "literature, APEX_IMS, APEX_matrix, targetP signal, yeast mito homolog++, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++" | all 14  |
| 6390   | SDHB    | "succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit B, iron sulfur (Ip)"           | CWS2, IP, PGL4, SDH, SDH1, SDH2, SDHIP, P21912             | 43            | 0%  | "literature, APEX_matrix, targetP signal+, yeast mito homolog, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++"            | all 14  |
| 10229  | COQ7    | "coenzyme Q7 homolog, ubiquinone (yeast)"                                | CAT5, CLK-1, CLK1, Q99807                                  | 43            | 0%  | "literature, targetP signal-, yeast mito homolog++, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, coexpression++, MS/MS++"                                  | all 14  |
| 6389   | SDHA    | "succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit A, flavoprotein (Fp)"          | CMD1GG, FP, PGL5, SDH1, SDH2, SDHF, P31040                 | 42            | 0%  | "literature, APEX_matrix, targetP signal-, yeast mito homolog++, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++"           | all 14  |
| 7384   | UQCRC1  | ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase core protein I                          | D3S3191, QCR1, UQCR1, P31930                               | 42            | 0%  | "literature, APEX_matrix, targetP signal+, yeast mito homolog+, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++"           | all 14  |
| 84274  | COQ5    | "coenzyme Q5 homolog, methyltransferase (S. cerevisiae)"                 | Q5HYK3   | 42            | 0%  | "APEX_matrix, targetP signal, yeast mito homolog++, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++"                       | all 14  |
| 5160   | PDHA1   | pyruvate dehydrogenase (lipoamide) alpha 1                               | PDHA, PDHCE1A, PHE1A, P08559                               | 42            | 0%  | "literature, APEX_matrix, targetP signal-, yeast mito homolog+, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++"           | all 14  |
| 57017  | COQ9    | coenzyme Q9  | C16orf49, COQ10D5, O75208                                  | 42            | 0%  | "APEX_matrix, targetP signal-, yeast mito homolog++, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression, MS/MS++"                        | all 14  |
| 6182   | MRPL12  | mitochondrial ribosomal protein L12                                      | 5c5-2, L12mt, MRP-L31/34, MRPL7, MRPL7/L12, RPML12, P52815 | 42            | 0%  | "literature, targetP signal-, yeast mito homolog++, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++"                        | all 14  |
| 513    | ATP5D   | "ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, delta subunit" | P30049   | 42            | 0%  | "literature, APEX_matrix, targetP signal, yeast mito homolog++, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++"           | all 14  |
| 9377   | COX5A   | cytochrome c oxidase subunit Va  | COX, COX-VA, VA, P20674                                    | 41            | 0%  | "literature, APEX_IMS, APEX_matrix, targetP signal+, yeast mito homolog++, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++"                     | all 14  |
| 122961 | ISCA2   | iron-sulfur cluster assembly 2   | HBLD1, ISA2, c14_5557, Q86U28                              | 41            | 0%  | "APEX_matrix, targetP signal-, yeast mito homolog++, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression, MS/MS++"                        | all 14  |
| 9512   | PMPCB   | peptidase (mitochondrial processing) beta                                | Beta-MPP, MPP11, MPPB, MPPP52, P-52, O75439                | 41            | 0%  | "literature, APEX_matrix, targetP signal+, yeast mito homolog+, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, induction, coexpression++, MS/MS++"           | all 14  |
| 7386   | UQCRCF1 | "ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase, Rieske iron-sulfur polypeptide 1"     | RIP1, RIS1, RISP, UQCR5, P47985                            | 40            | 0%  | "literature, APEX_matrix, targetP signal, yeast mito homolog++, Rickettsial homolog, mito protein domain+, coexpression++, MS/MS++"                      | all 14  |

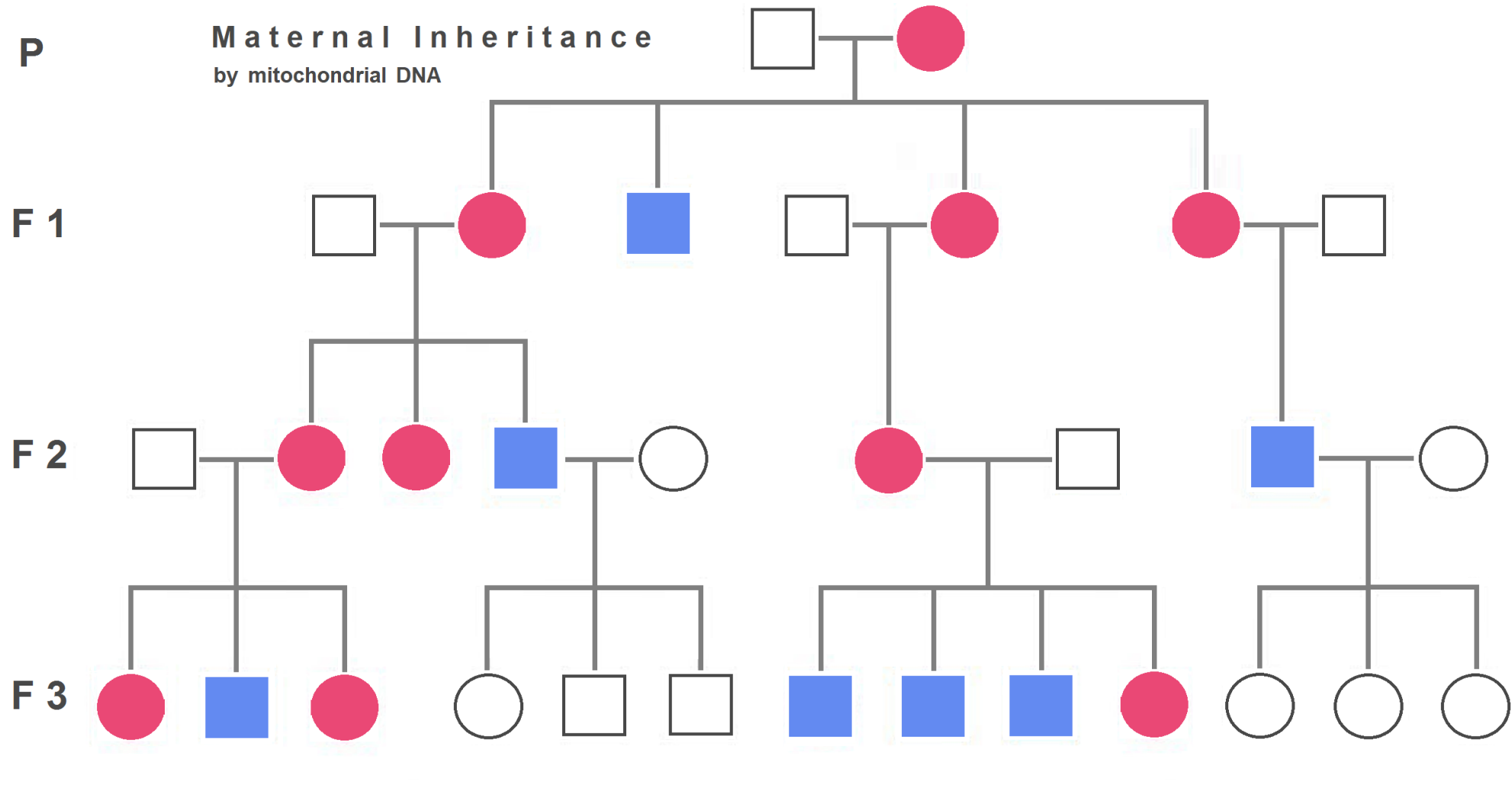
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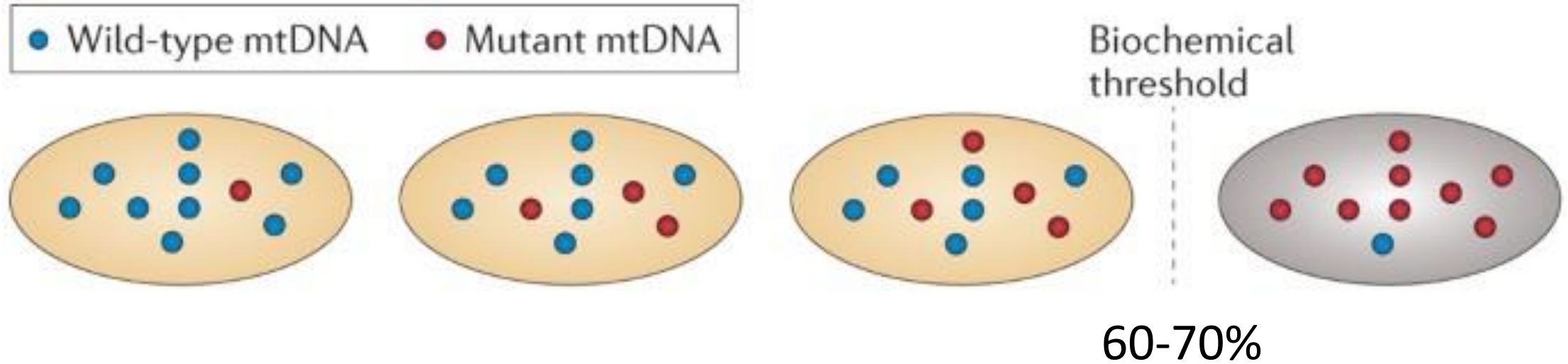
# Particularities

- Maternal inheritance for mtDNA

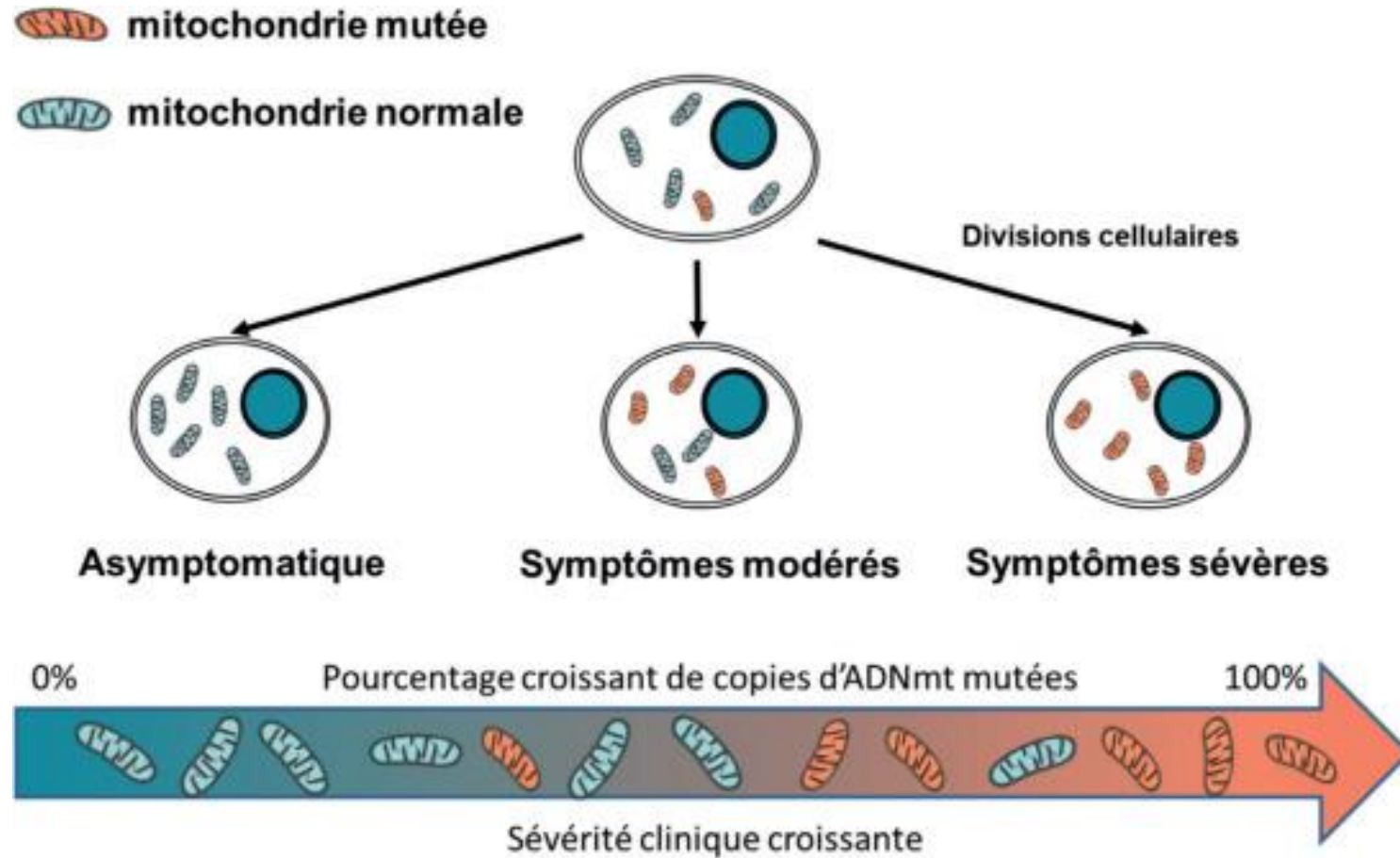


# Particularities

- Homoplasmy - heteroplasmy



# Heteroplasmy



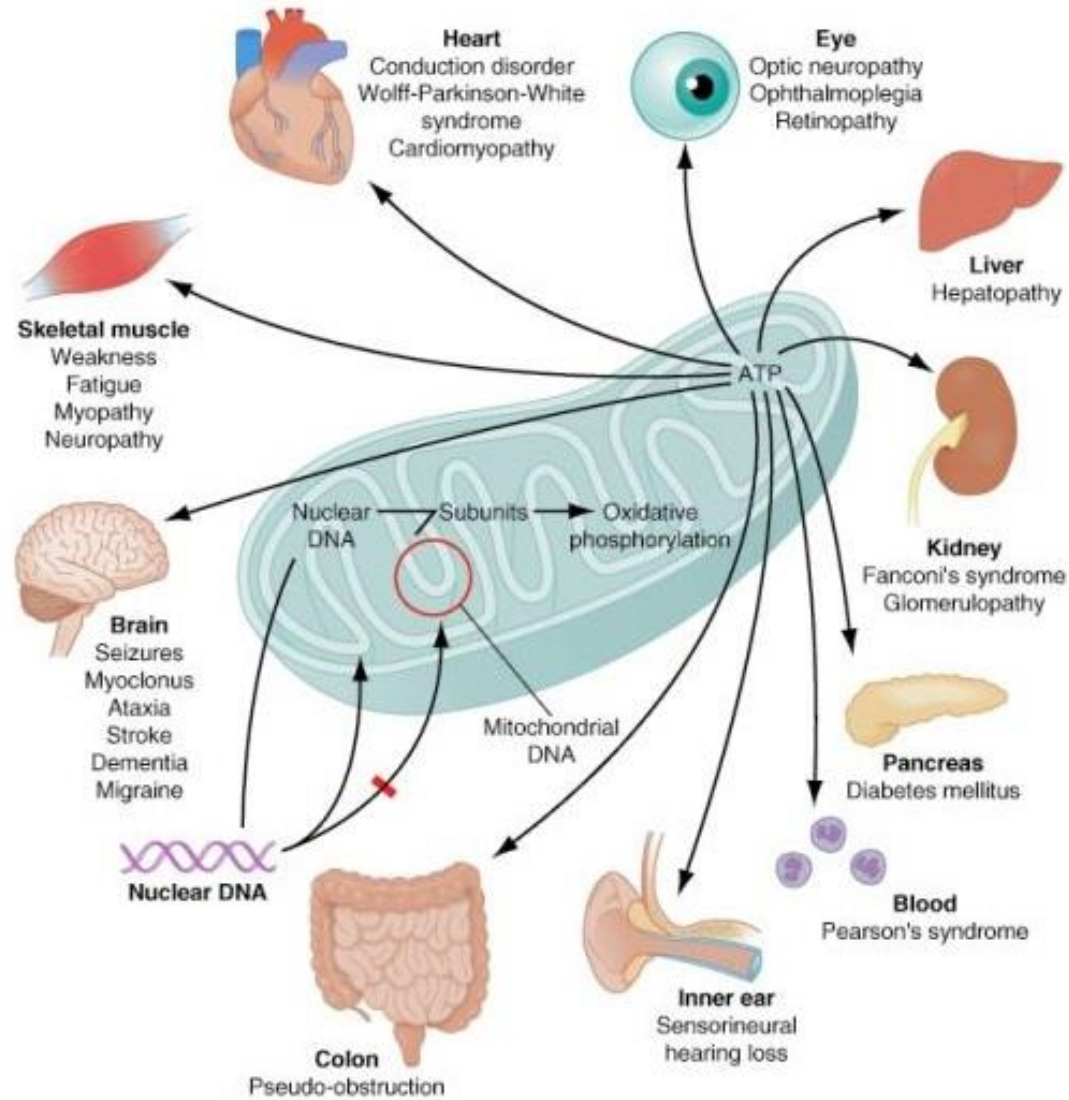
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Tissue specificity



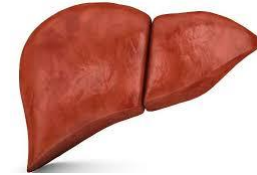
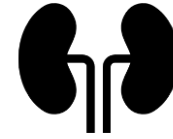
targeted diagnostics

- biochemical
- molecular



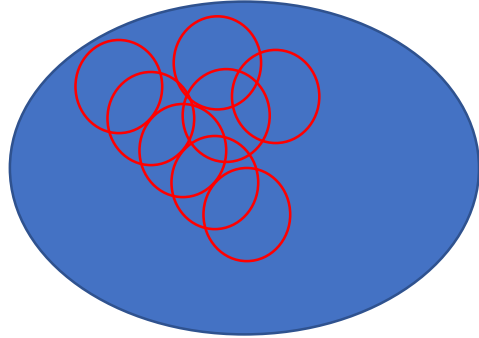
Multisystemic diseases

# Heteroplasmy – tissue specificity



Importance for diagnostics: Think of relevance of mtDNA diagnostics in leukocytes?

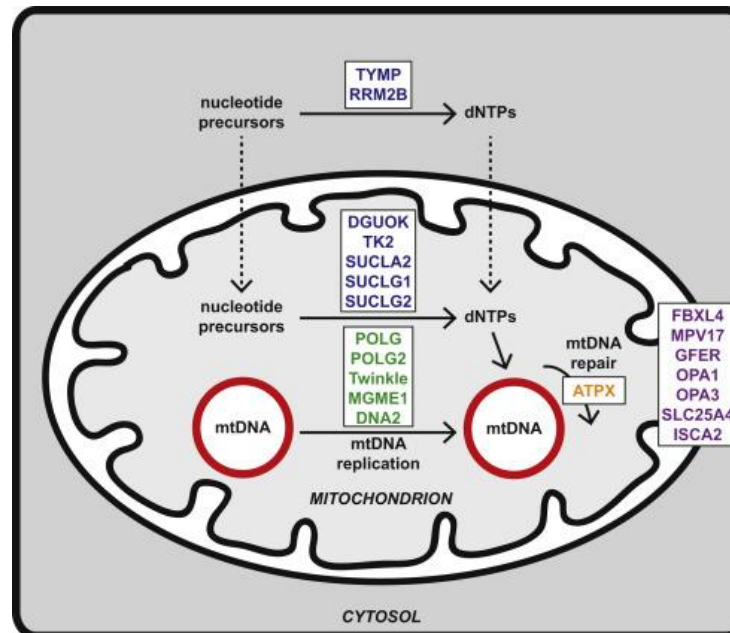
# Depletion



Normal # mtDNA copies



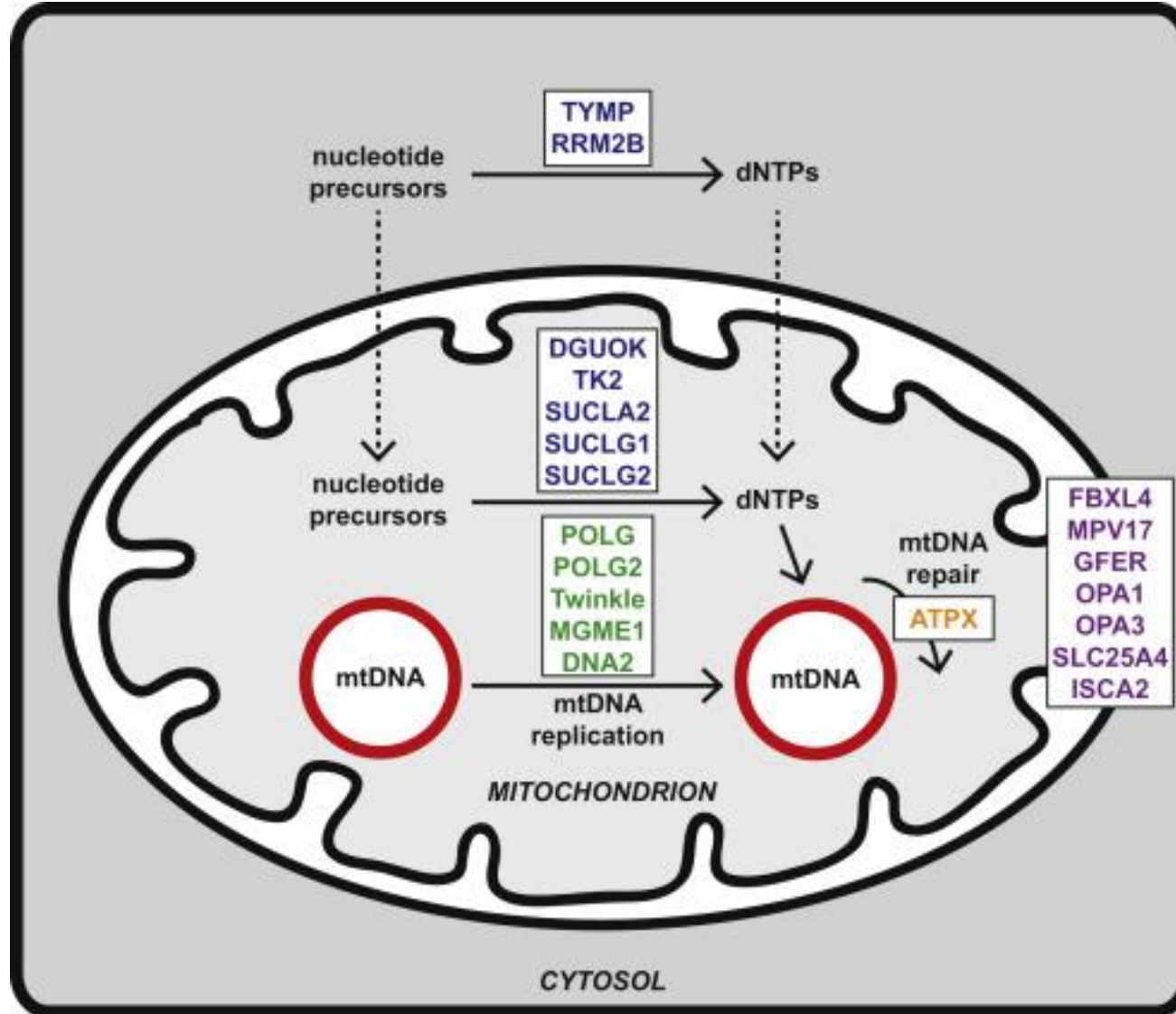
mtDNA depletion





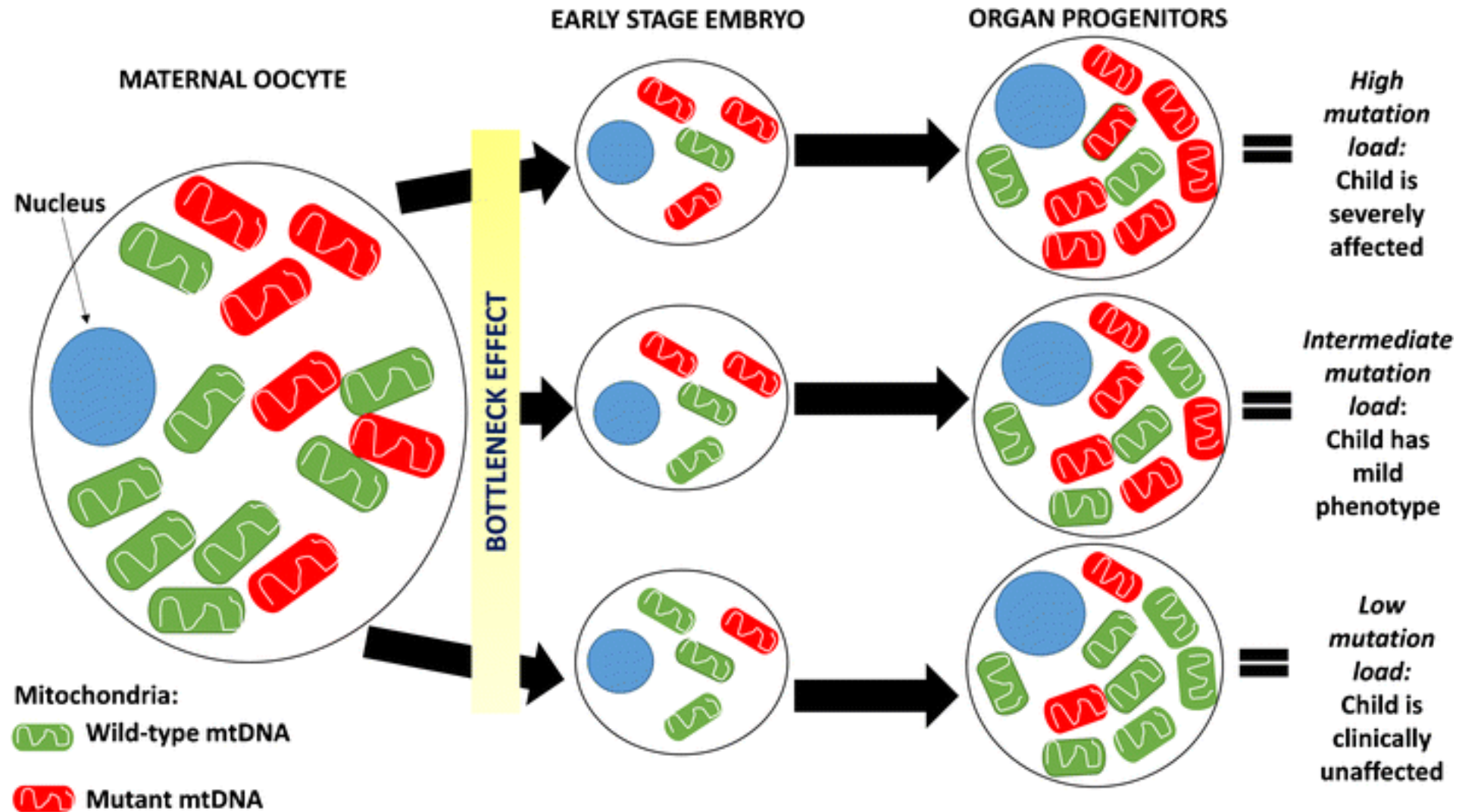
# Depletion associated genes

All nuclearly encoded

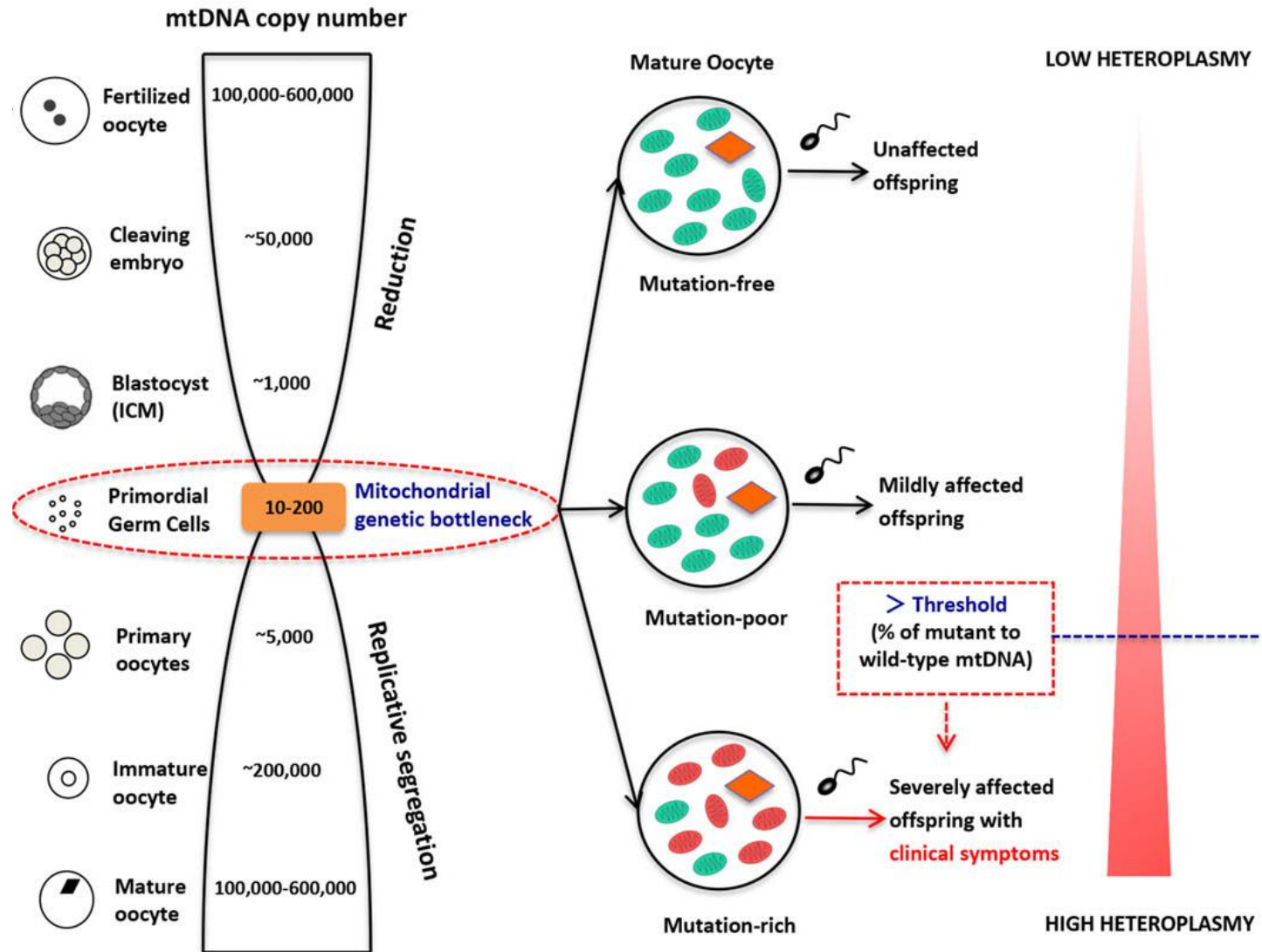


# Particularities

- Bottleneck phenomenon



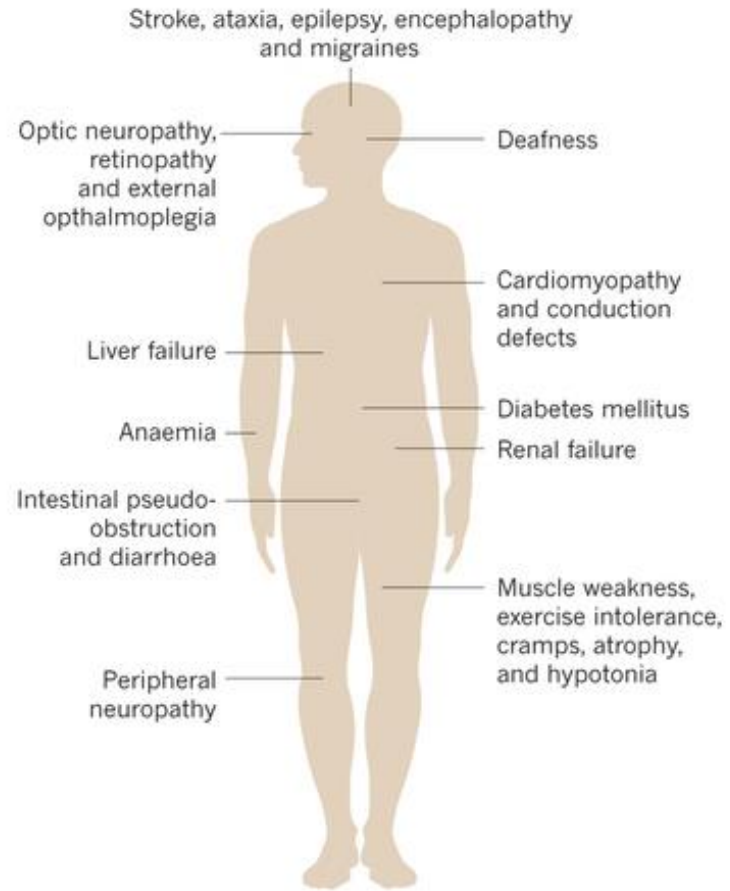
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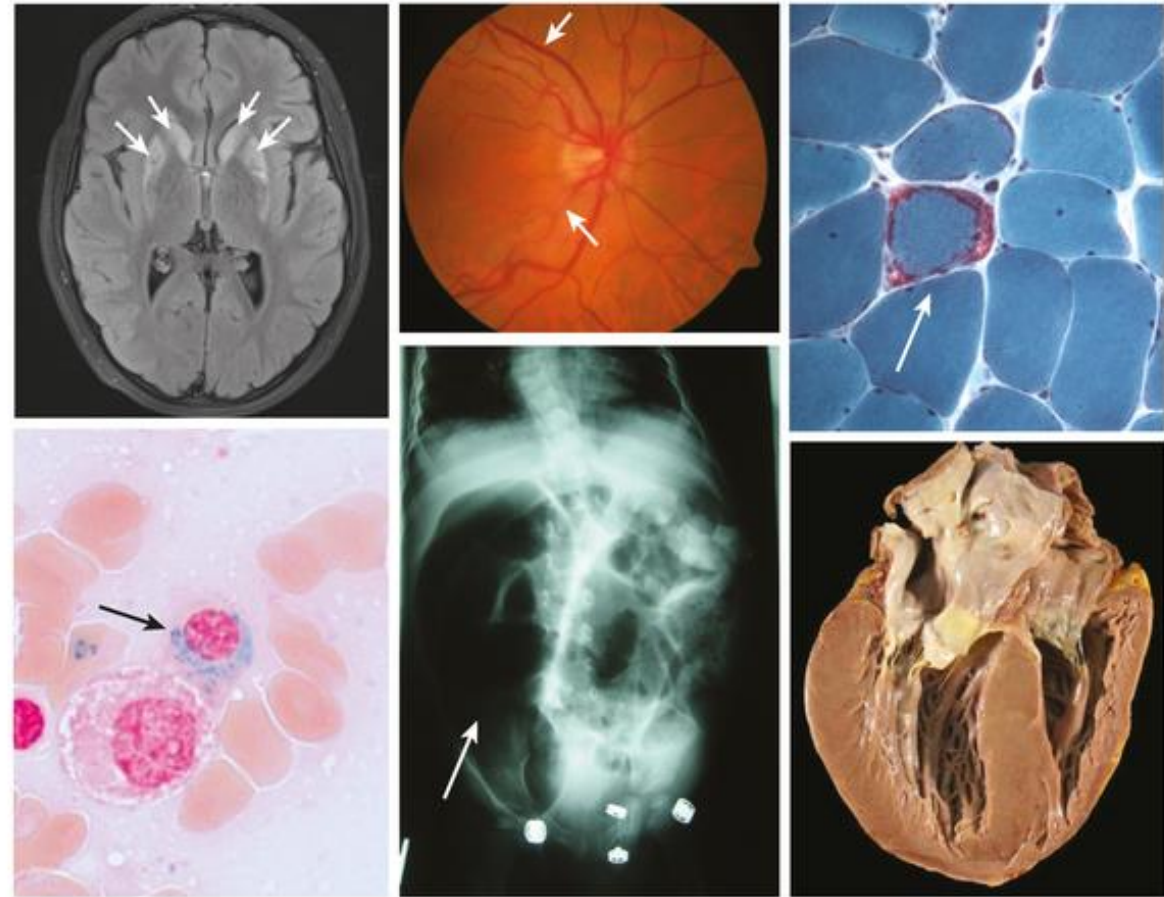
# Mitochondrial diseases

- Prevalence:  $>1/5000$  \*
- Variable age of onset (neonatal – late adulthood)
- Often multisystemic
- Progressive
- No curative treatment

**a**



**b**



# Mitochondrial diseases

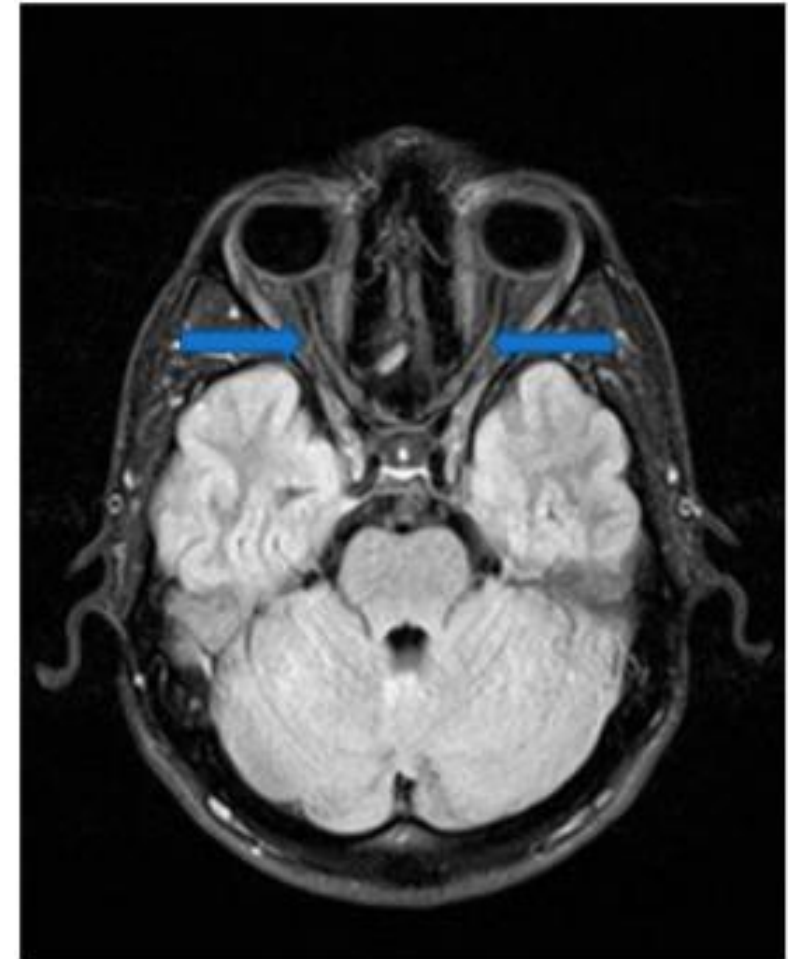
mtDNA encoded defeciencies

# Mitochondrial diseases: LHON (Leber Hereditary Optic Neuropathy)

*MT-ND1, MT-ND2, MT-ND3, MT-ND4, MT-ND4I, MT-ND5, MT-ND6, MT-CYB, MT-CO1, MT-CO3, MT-ATP6*

## Clinical presentation

Subacute vision loss  
Male predominance  
Young onset (15-35y)



# Mitochondrial diseases: nonsyndromic deafness

*M T - R N R 1*

## Clinical presentation

Deafness (isolated)

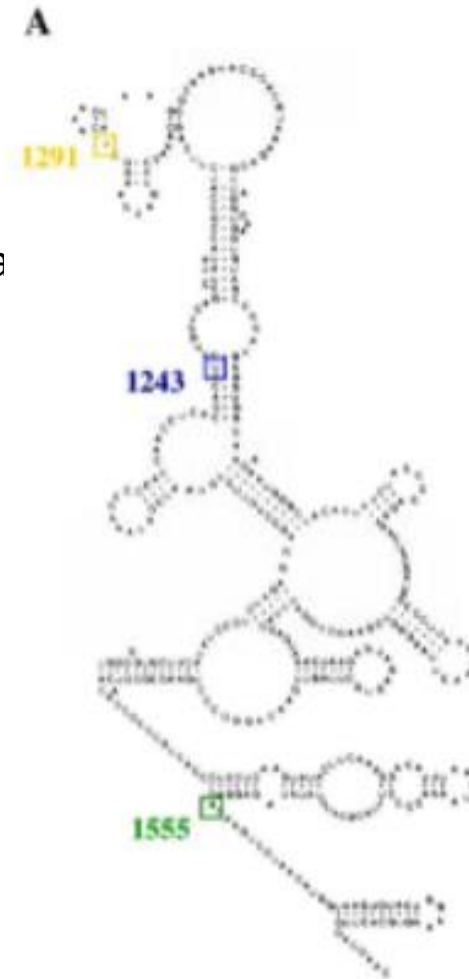
Sometimes caused by aminoglycoside treatment

m.1555A>G

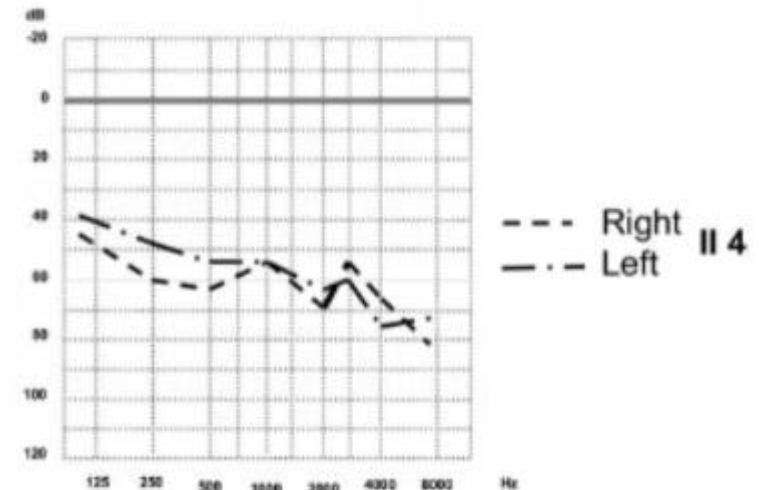
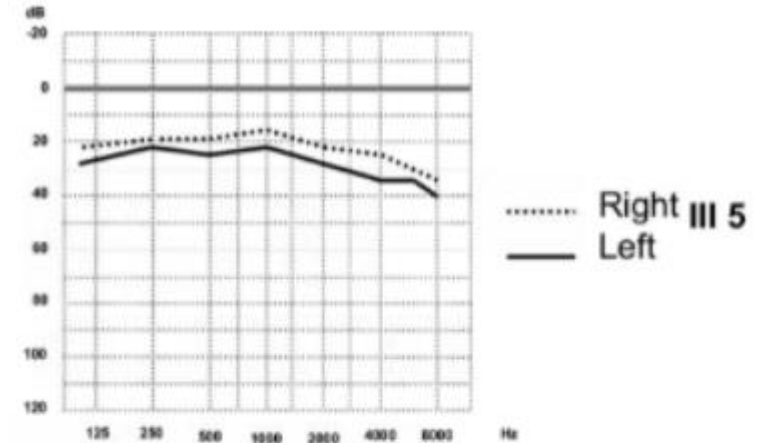
m.1243T>C

m.1291T>C

*MT-RNR1*



Human mt 12S rRNA





# Mitochondrial diseases: Leigh syndrome

*MT-ND2, MT-ND3, MT-ND5, MT-ND6, MT-ATP6, MT-CO3, MT-TK*  
*Many nuclear encoded genes*

## Clinical presentation

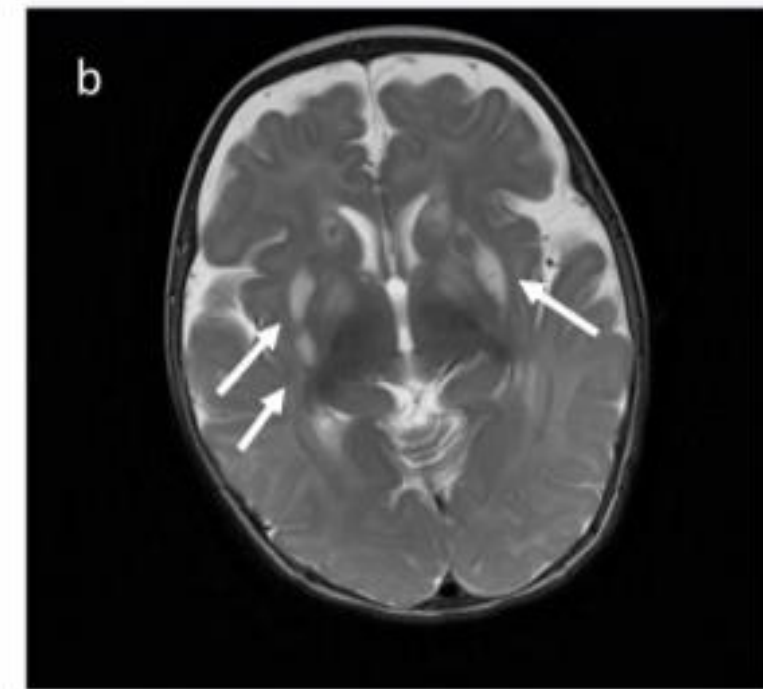
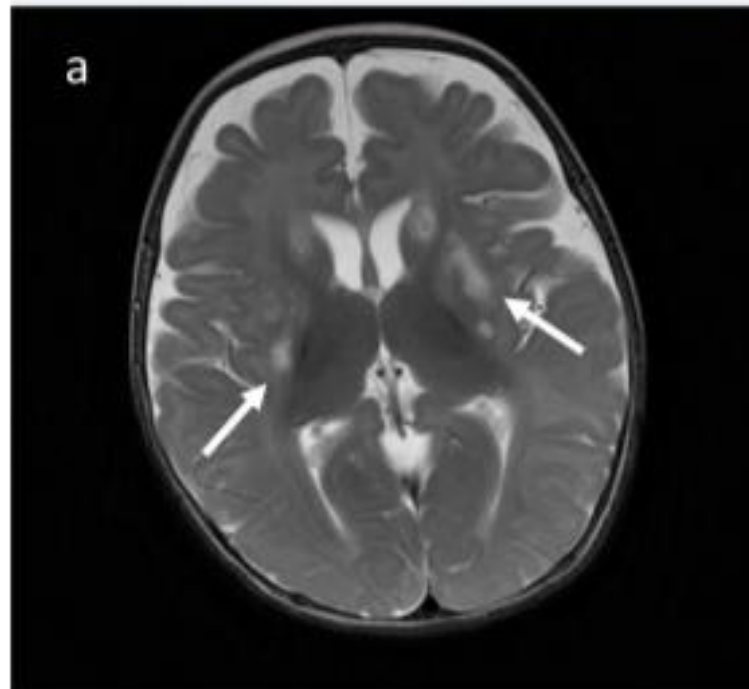
Typical symmetrical basal ganglia MRI lesions

### 1) Childhood presentation

- subacute necrotising encephalopathy
- developmental delay
- hypotonia
- epilepsy

### 2) Adult onset

- psychiatric features
- headache
- movement disorders



# Mitochondrial diseases: MELAS

M mitochondrial myopathy  
E encephalopathy  
L lactic  
A acidosis  
S stroke like episodes

*MT-TL1*, *MT-TQ*, *MT-TH*, *MT-TC*, *MT-TS1*, *MT-TS2*, *MT-TK*, *MT-ND1*, *MT-ND5*, *MT-ND6*

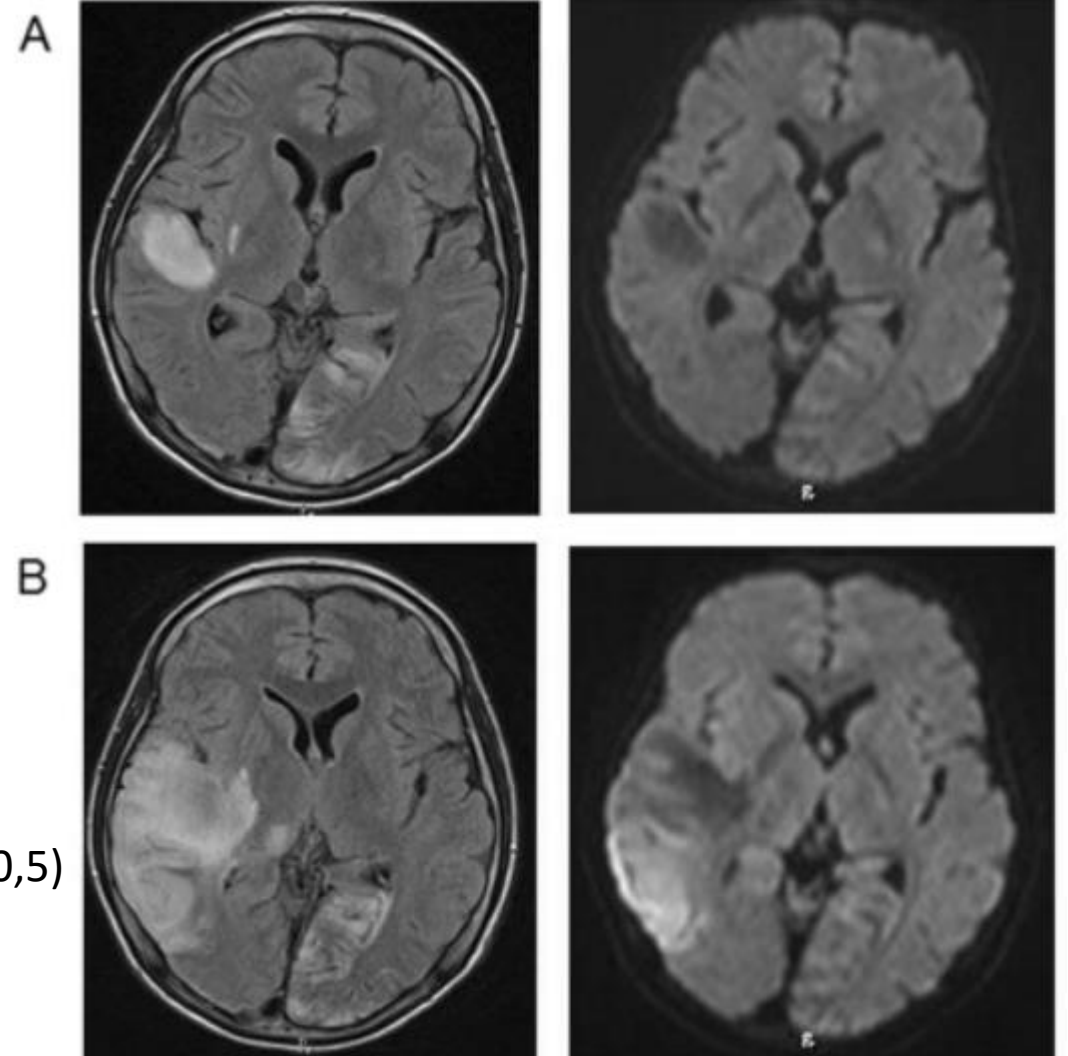
## Clinical presentation

- teenage focal epilepsy
- progressive muscle weakness
- progressive cognitive decline
- cerebellar symptoms

m.3243 A>G, *MT-TL1*,  
22% blood  
35% skin fibroblasts  
37% saliva

Tissue specificity !

CSF lactate: 35,7mg/dl (ref: 13,7-20,5)



# MELAS



# MELAS



# Mitochondrial diseases: deletions

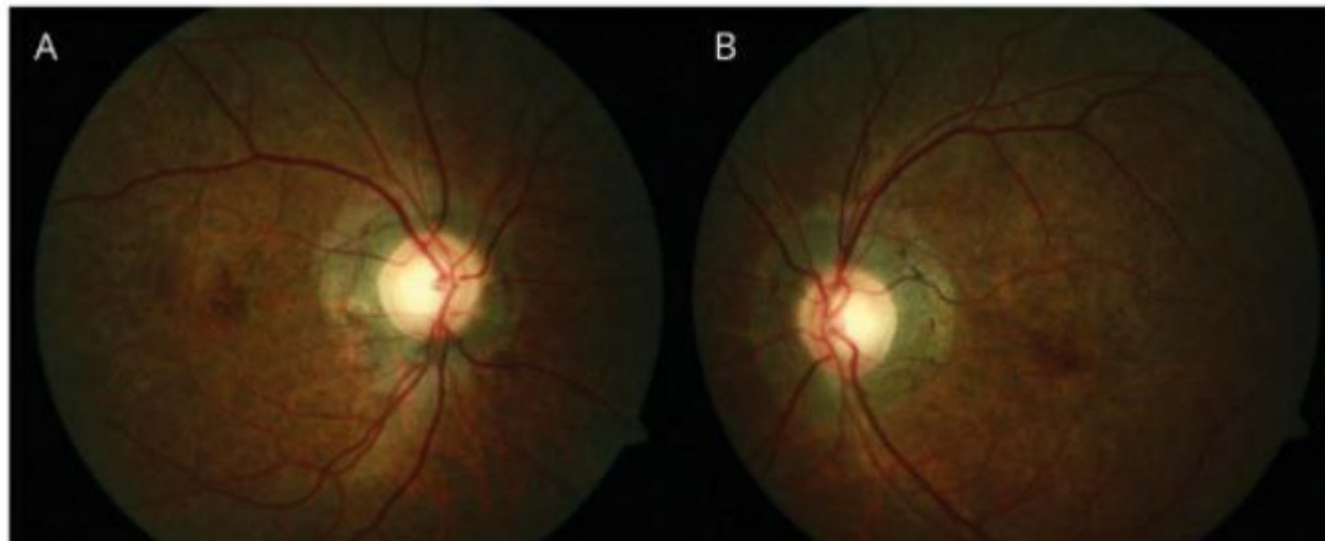
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## Kearns-Sayre syndrome

### Clinical presentation

- teenage onset CPEO
- pigmentary retinopathy
- heart conduction problems
- ataxia
- deafness
- endocrine abnormalities

mtDNA deletion (1,0 -10 kb)



# Mitochondrial diseases: deletions

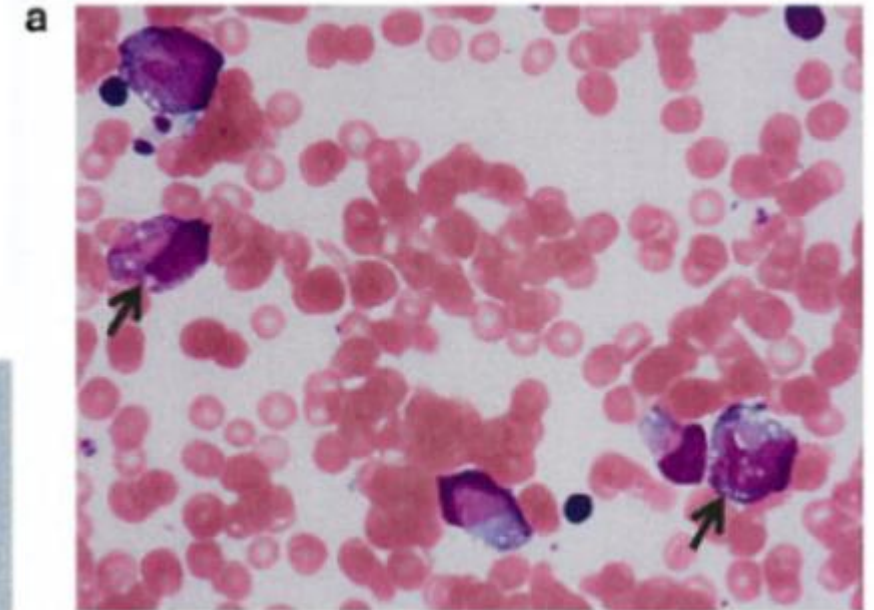
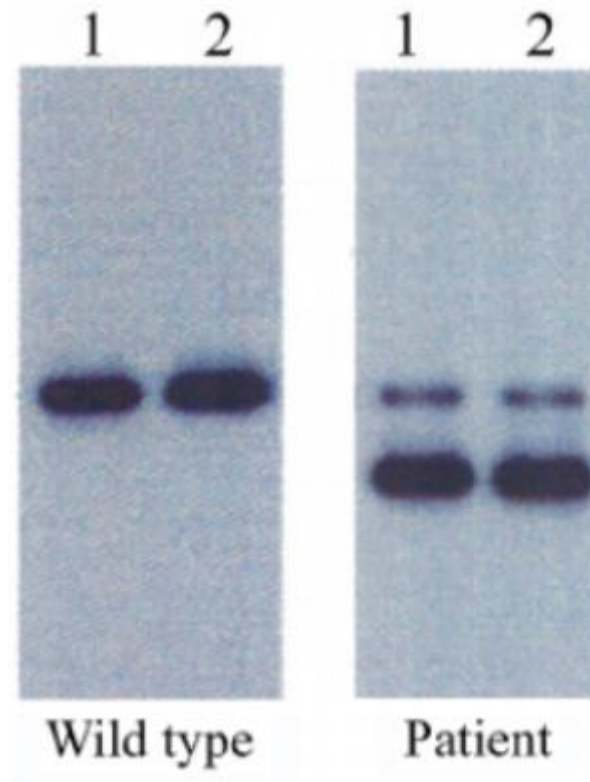
m t D N A d e l e t i o n

## Pearson syndrome

### Clinical presentation

- childhood onset → early dismiss (<3y)
- bone marrow dysfunction
- exocrine pancreas dysfunction
- → sometimes evolving towards Kearns sayre

mtDNA deletion



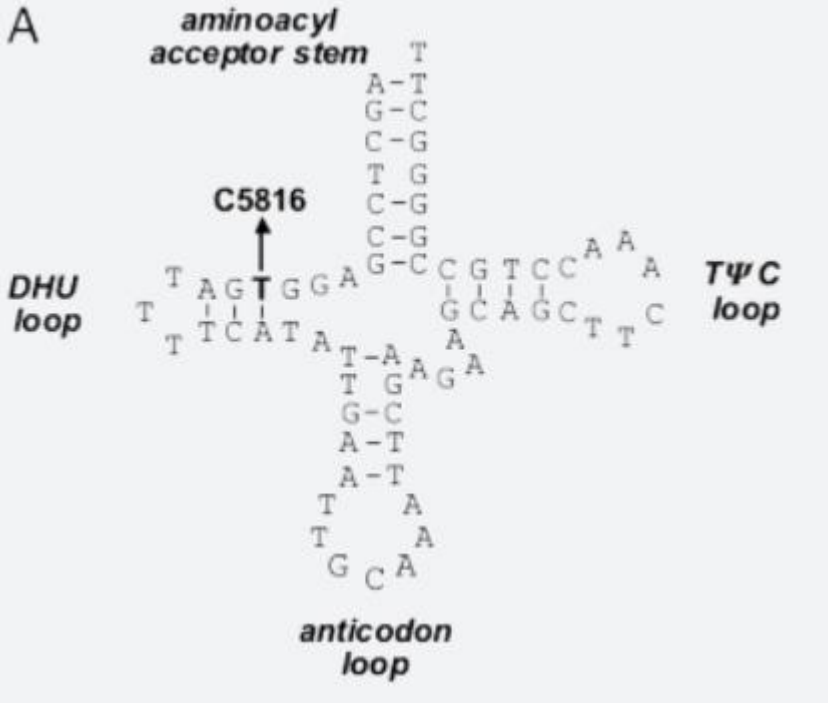
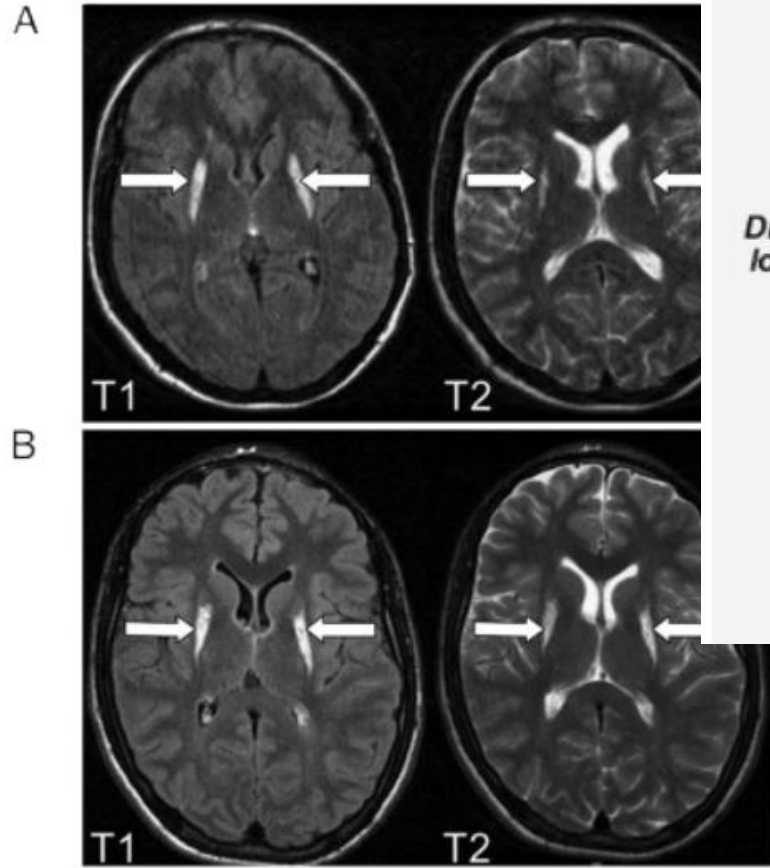
# Mitochondrial diseases: tRNA

*MT-TC*

Clinical presentation

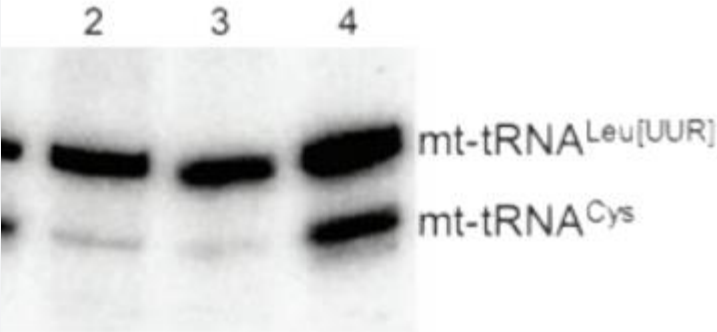
**Figure 1**

Symmetrical basal ganglia necrosis in Family 1



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m.5816A>G, *MT-TC*,  
100% muscle and blood

Homoplasmy

# Mitochondrial diseases: tRNA

*MT-TD*

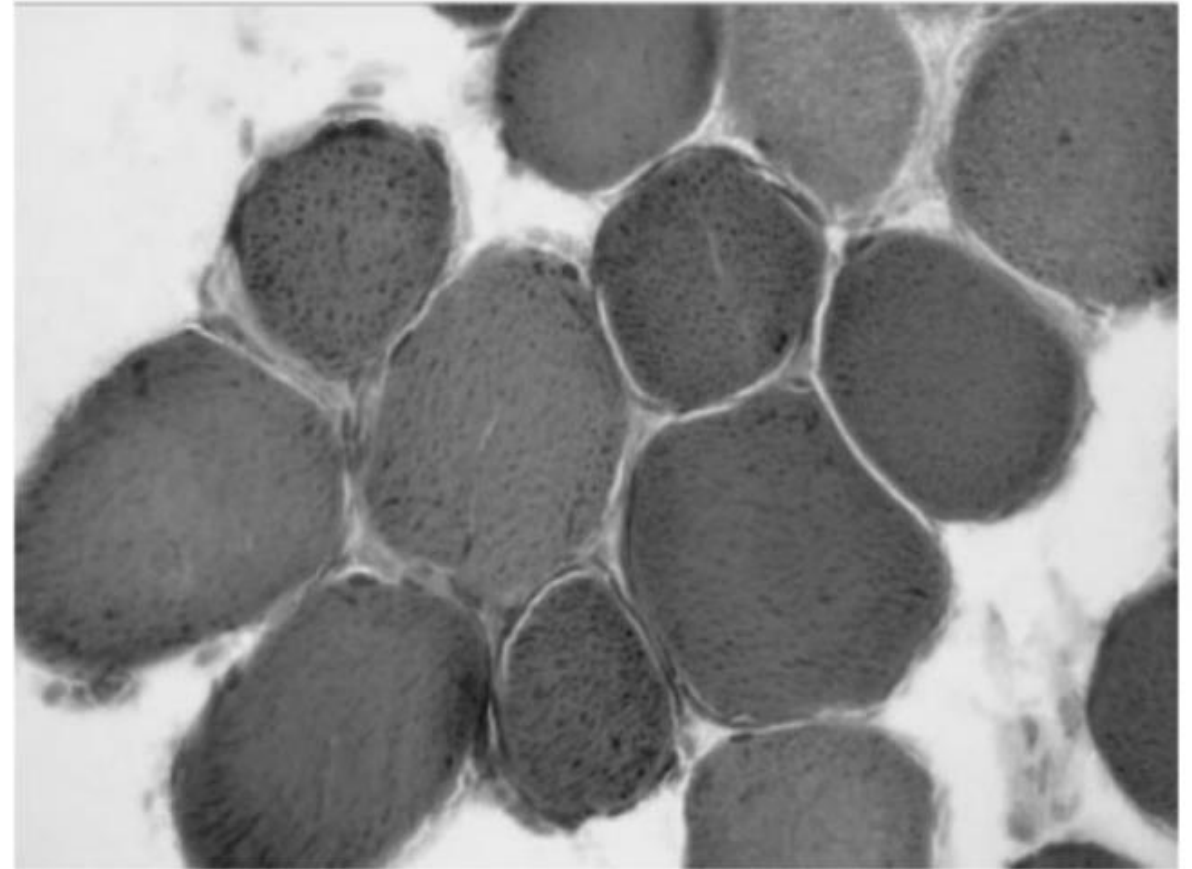
## Clinical presentation

childhood onset  
exercise intolerance  
progressive

m.7526 A>G, *MT-TD*  
100% skeletal muscle  
3% blood and skin fibroblasts!

Tissue specificity !

Maternal testing: undetectable mutation





# Mitochondrial diseases: tRNA

*MT-TF*

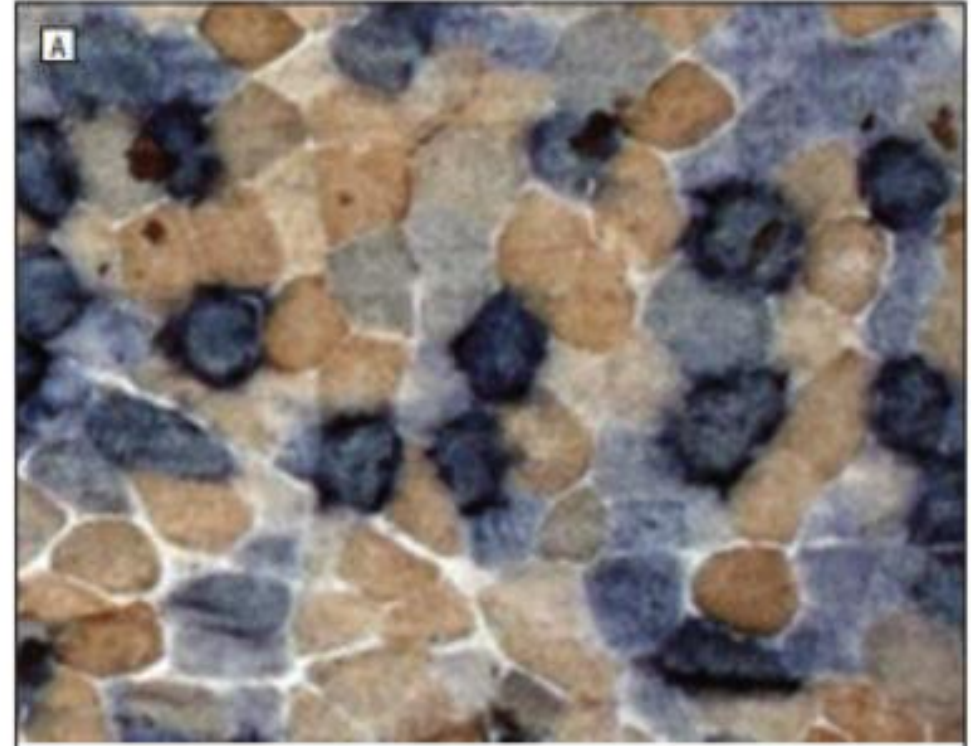
## Clinical presentation

Adult onset exercise intolerance, progressive

Hearing loss

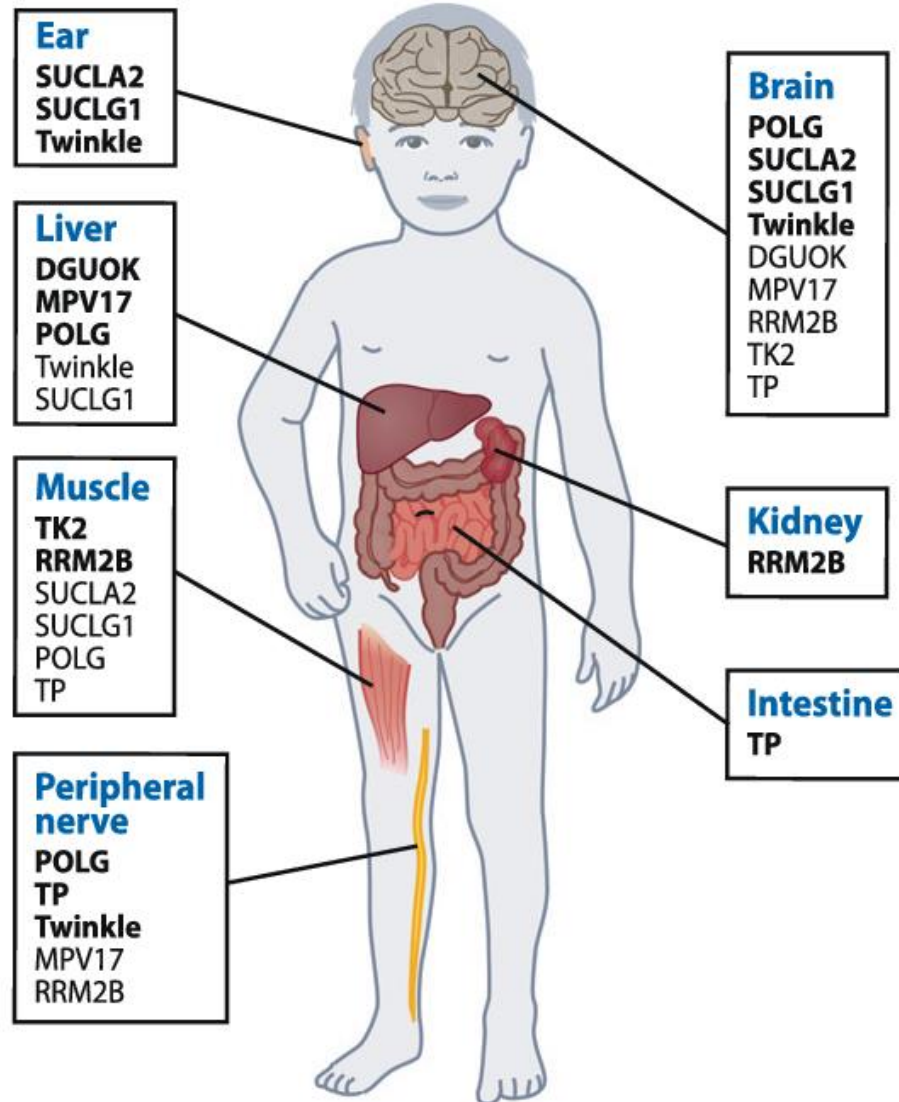
Variable age of onset!

m.622 G>A, *MT-TF*  
88% skeletal muscle  
66% blood  
36% urine

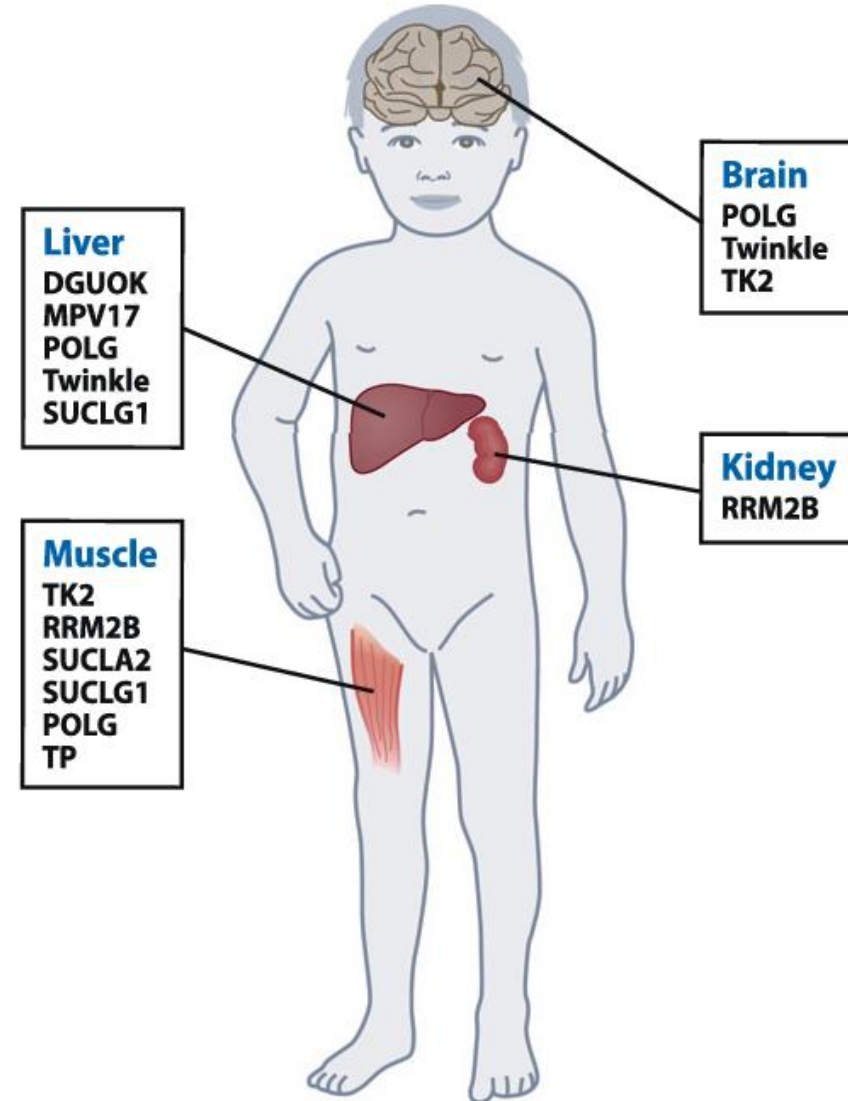


# mtDNA depletion syndromes

## A. Signs and symptoms of MDS in different organs



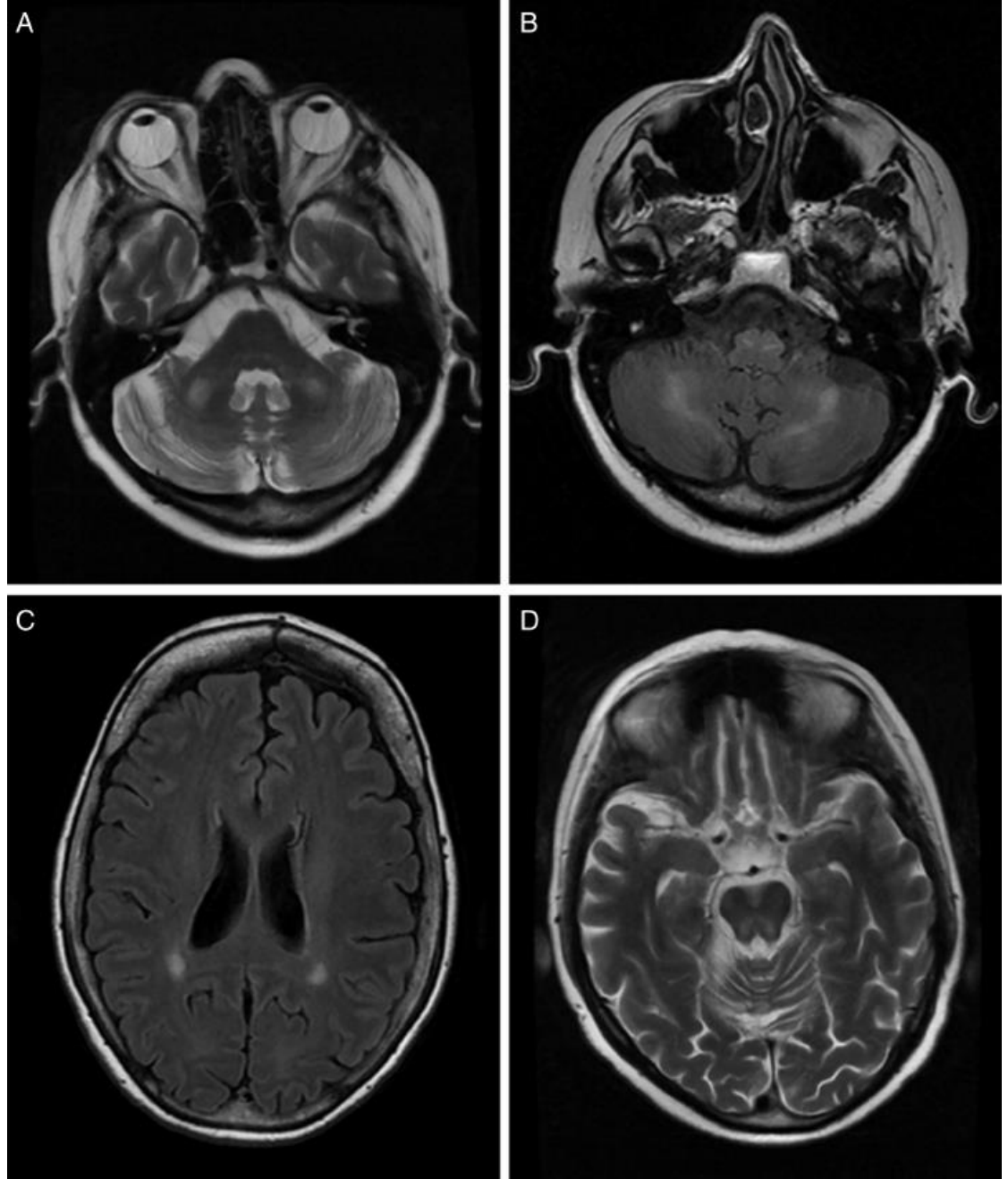
## B. Tissues with identified MtDNA depletion



# Mitochondrial diseases

nDNA encoded defeciciencies

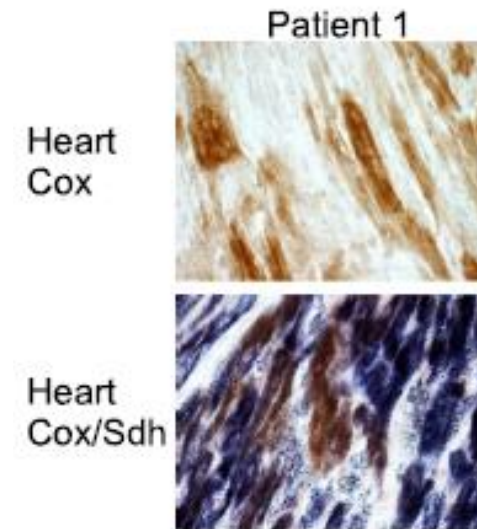
# POLG deficiency



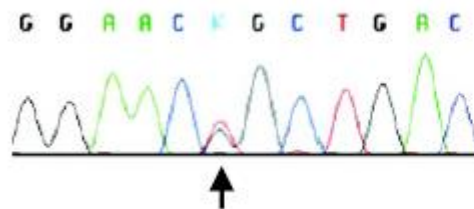


# AARS2

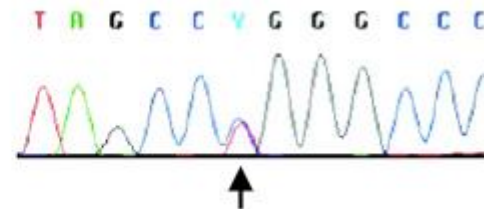
- hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
- Delayed motore development
- lactate
- → WES: AARS2



c.464T>G p.Leu155Arg

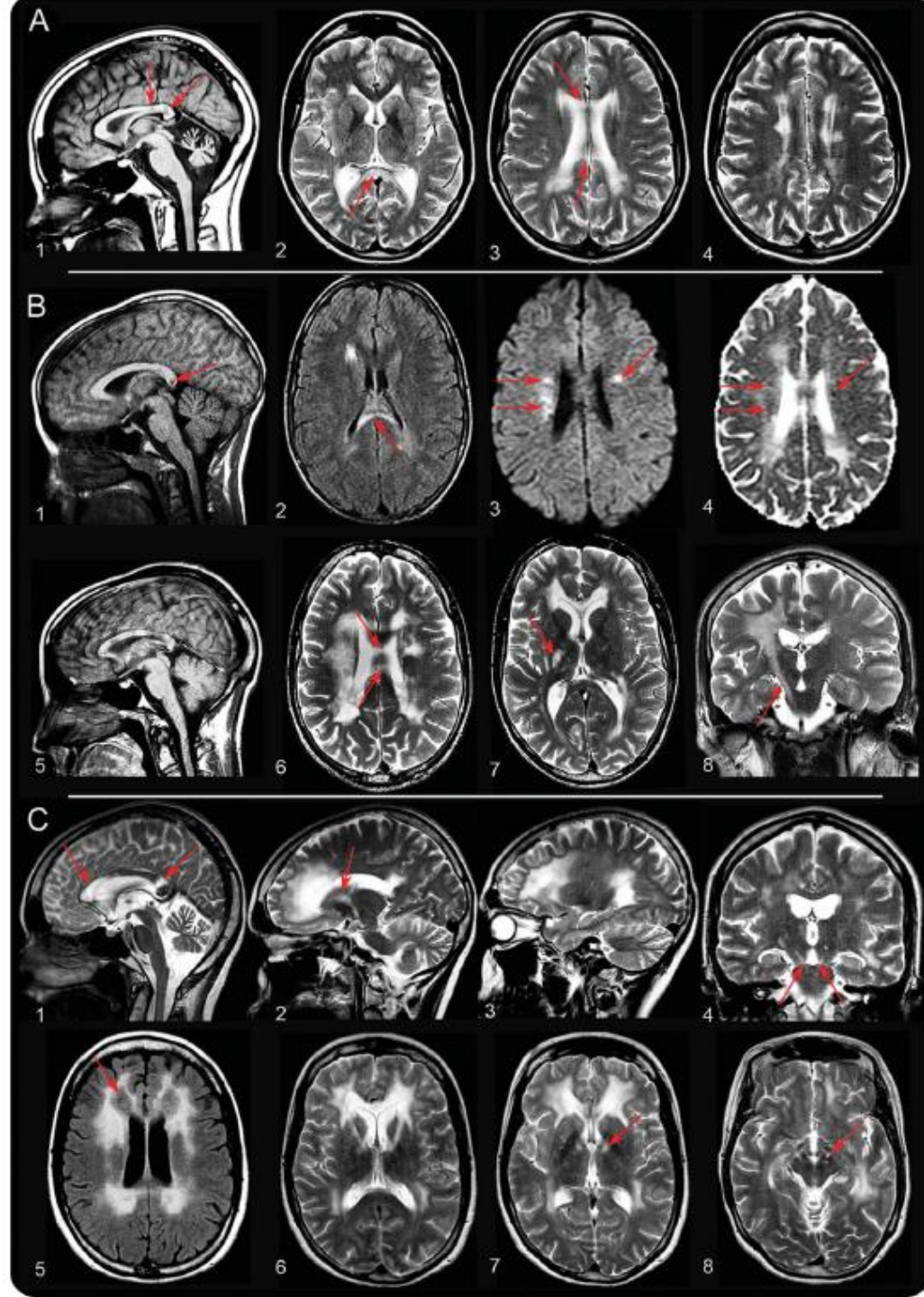


c.1774C>T p.Arg592Trp

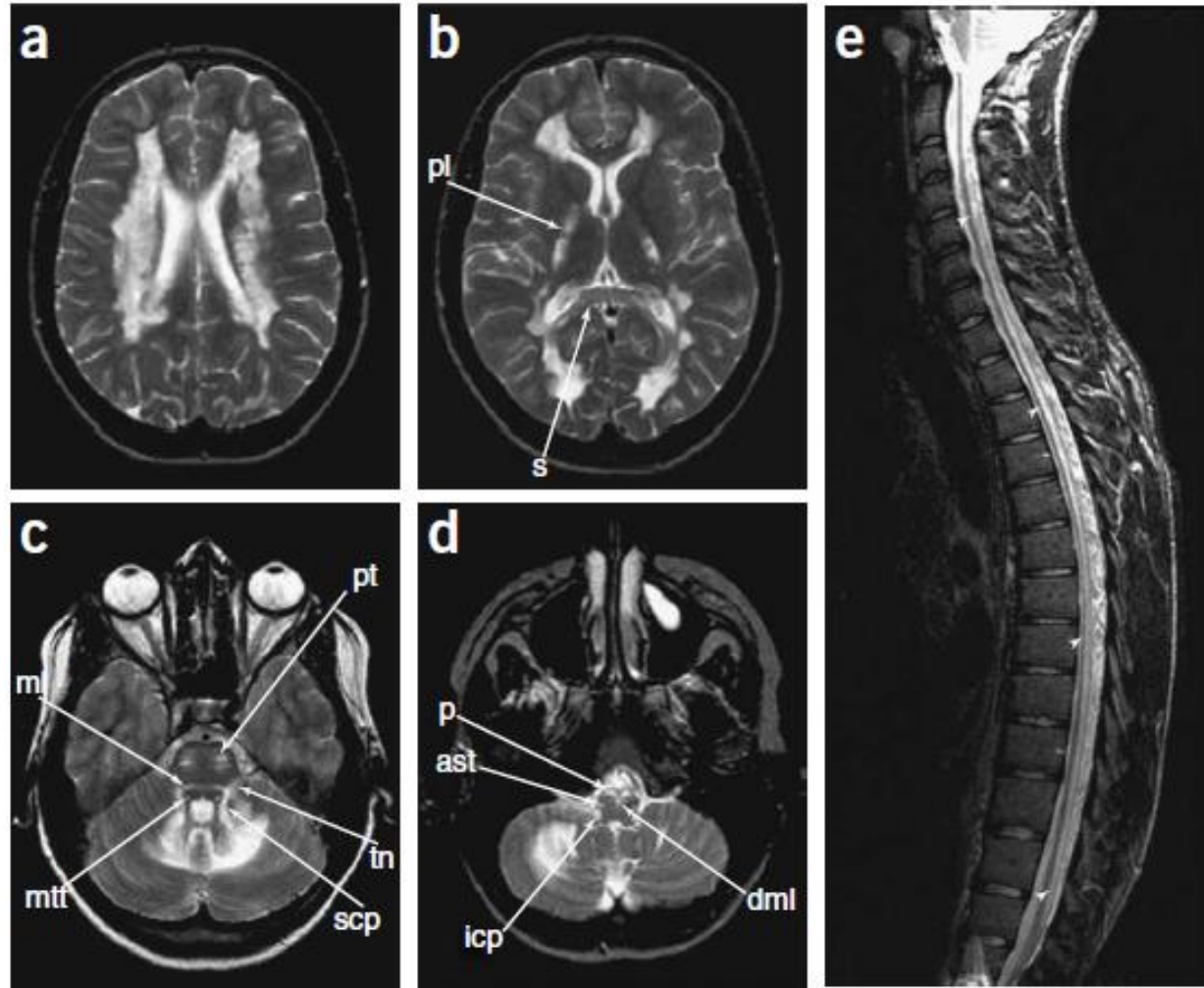


# AARS2

- Progressive leuko-encephalopathie
- Ovarian failure
- NO cardiomyopathie



# DARS2

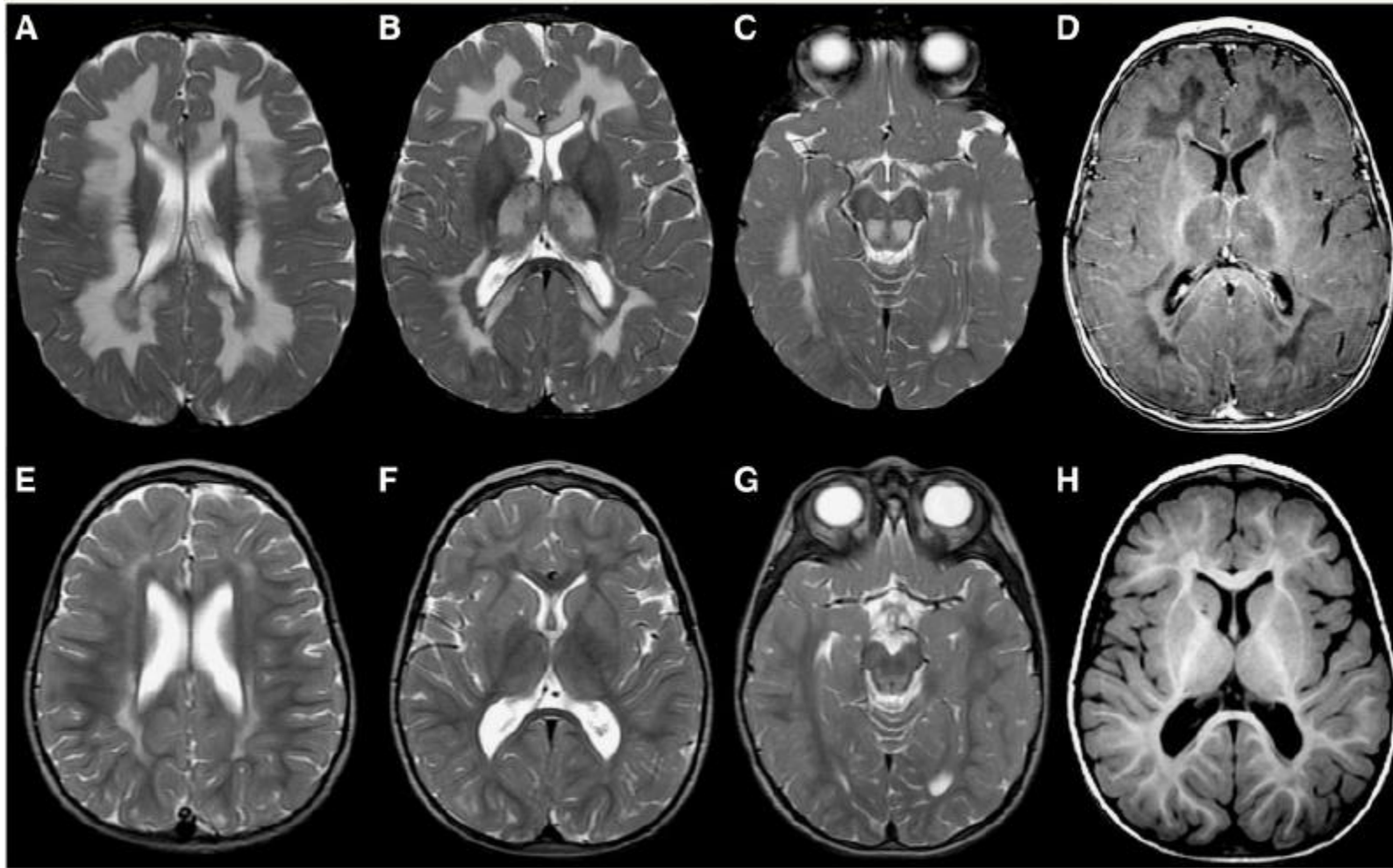


Scheper et al., 2007

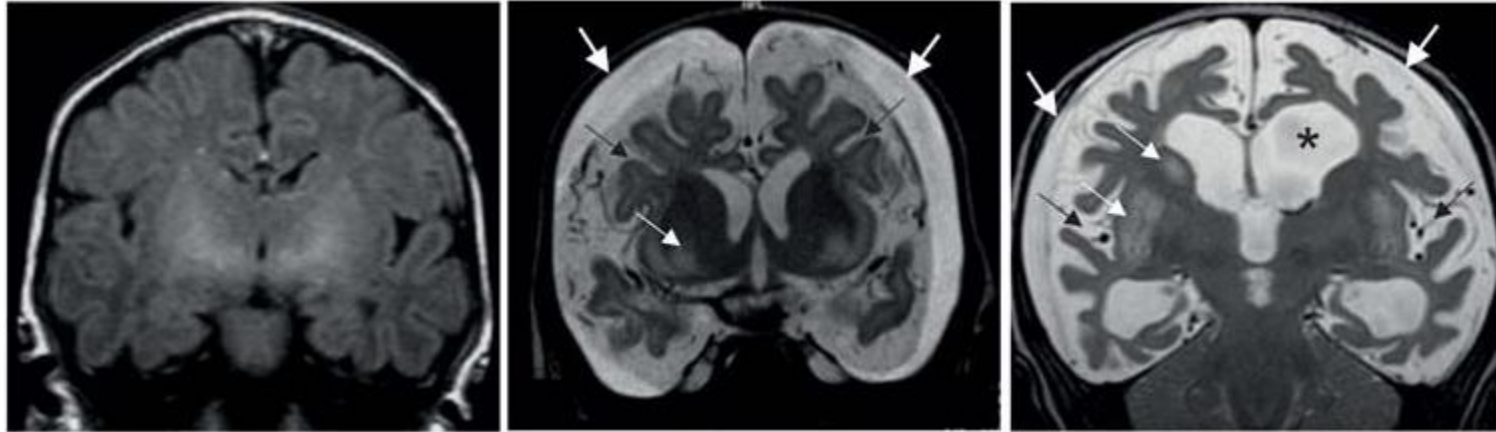
## LBSL



# EARS2



# *FARS2*

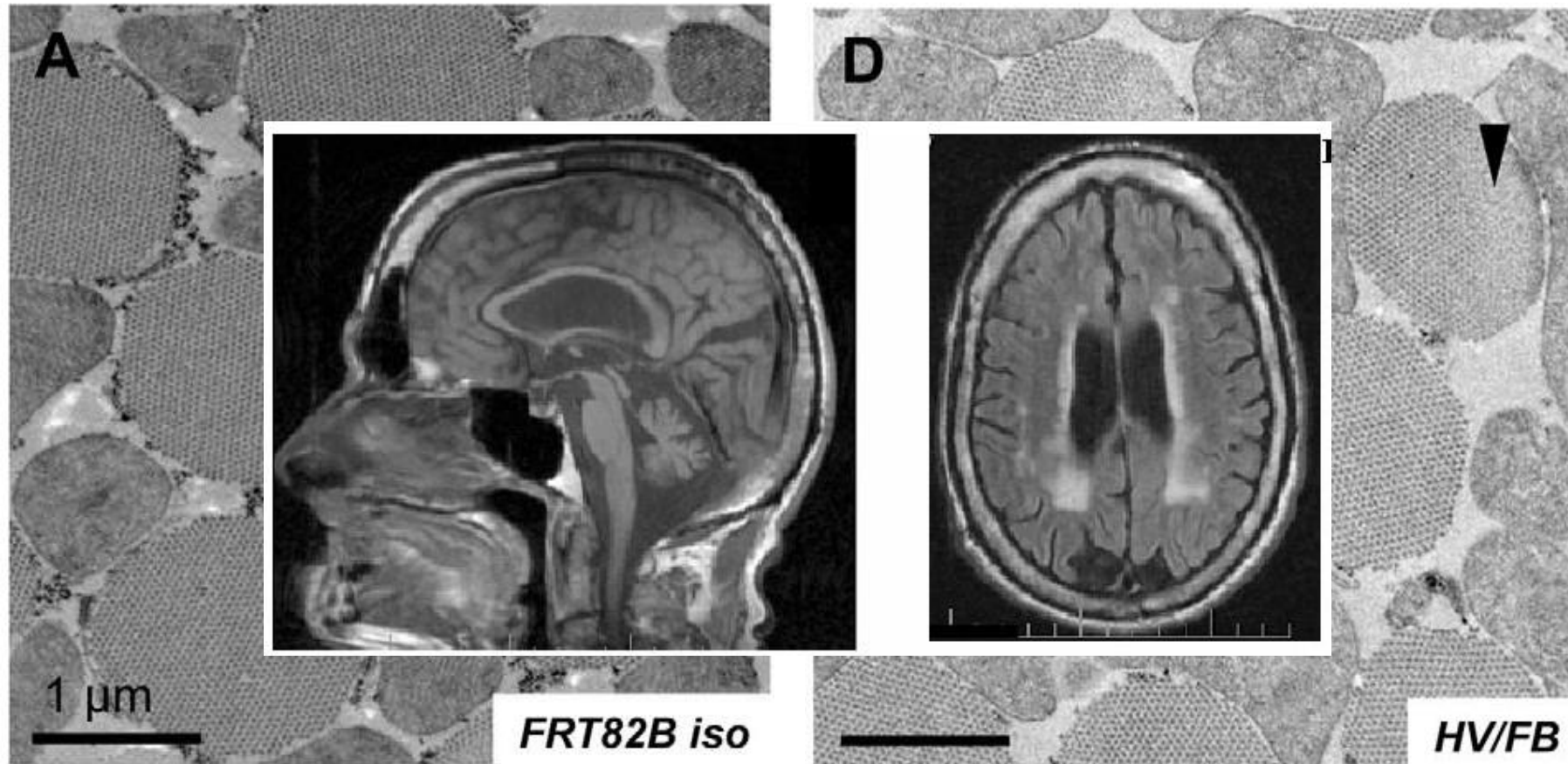


Alpers-like syndrome

# MARS2

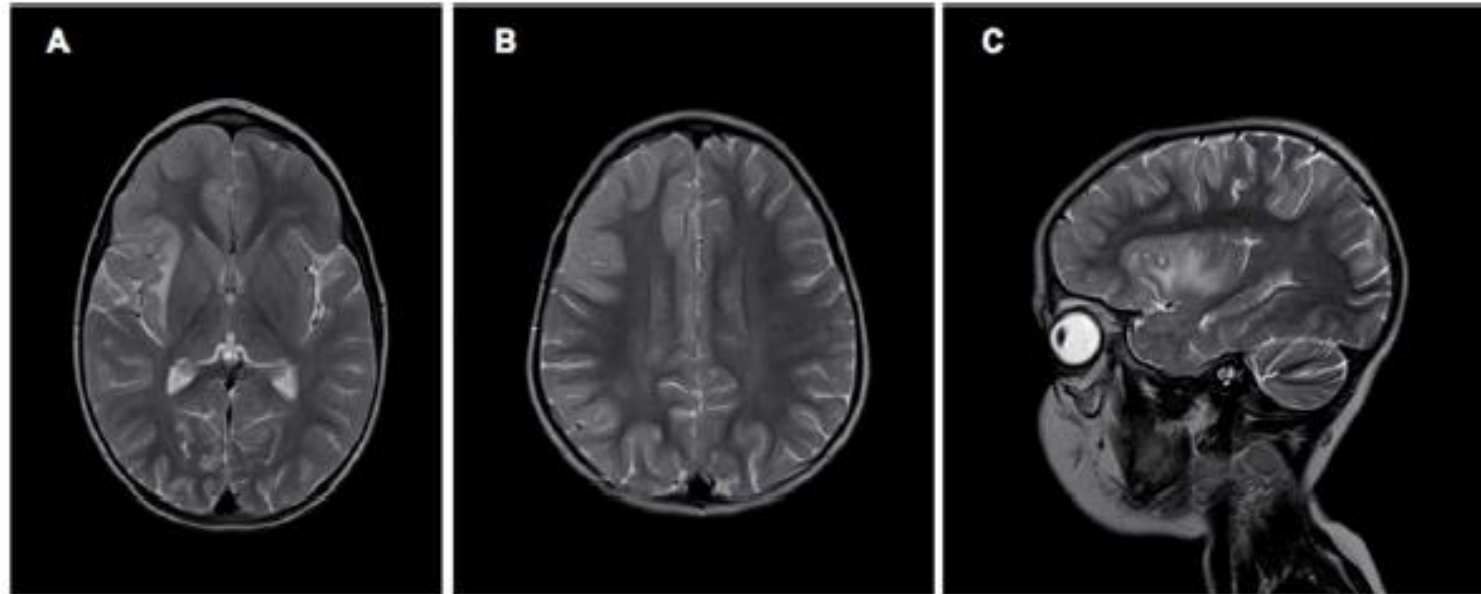
ARSAL:

Autosomal recessive spastic ataxia with leuko-encephalopathy



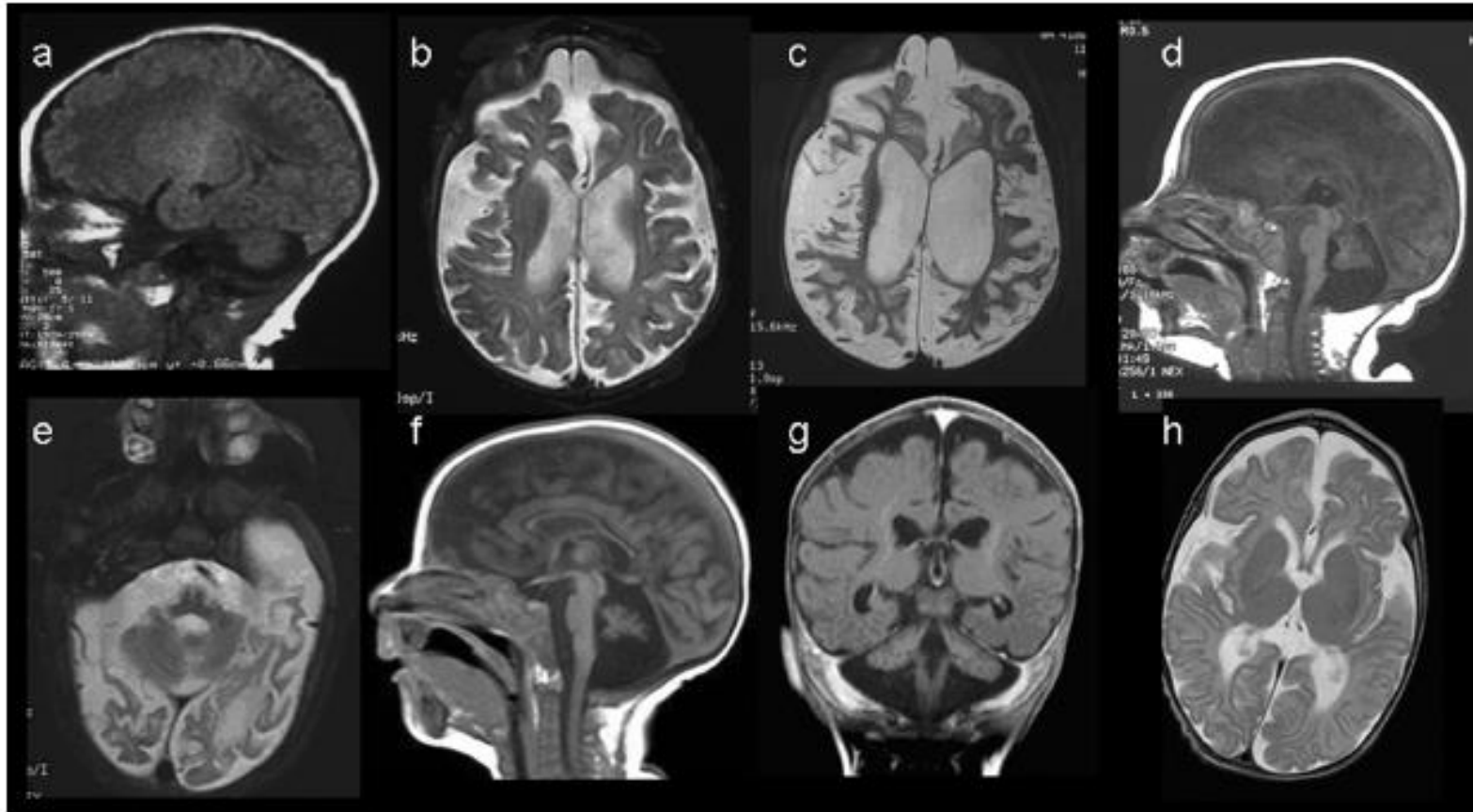
# VARs2

## Microcephaly and epilepsy

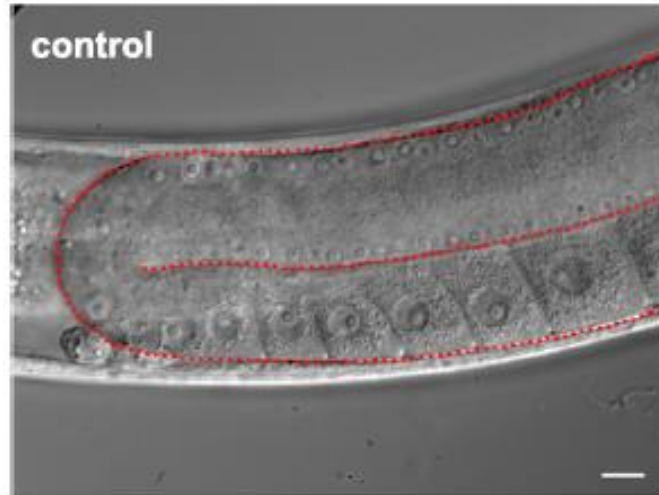


# RARS2

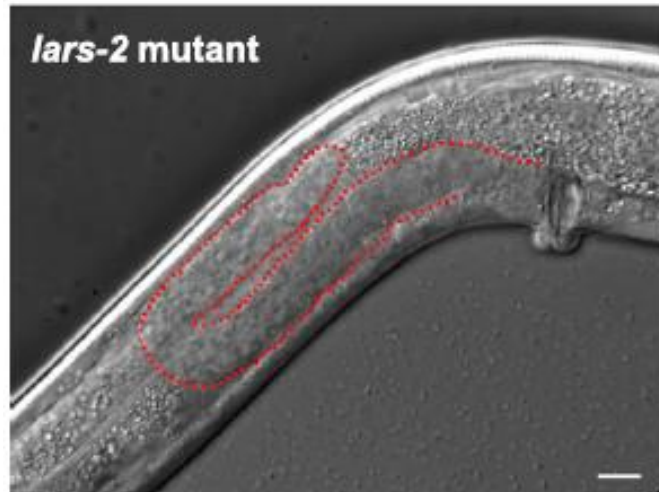
## Pontocerebellar hypoplasie type 6



# *HARS2 and LARS2*



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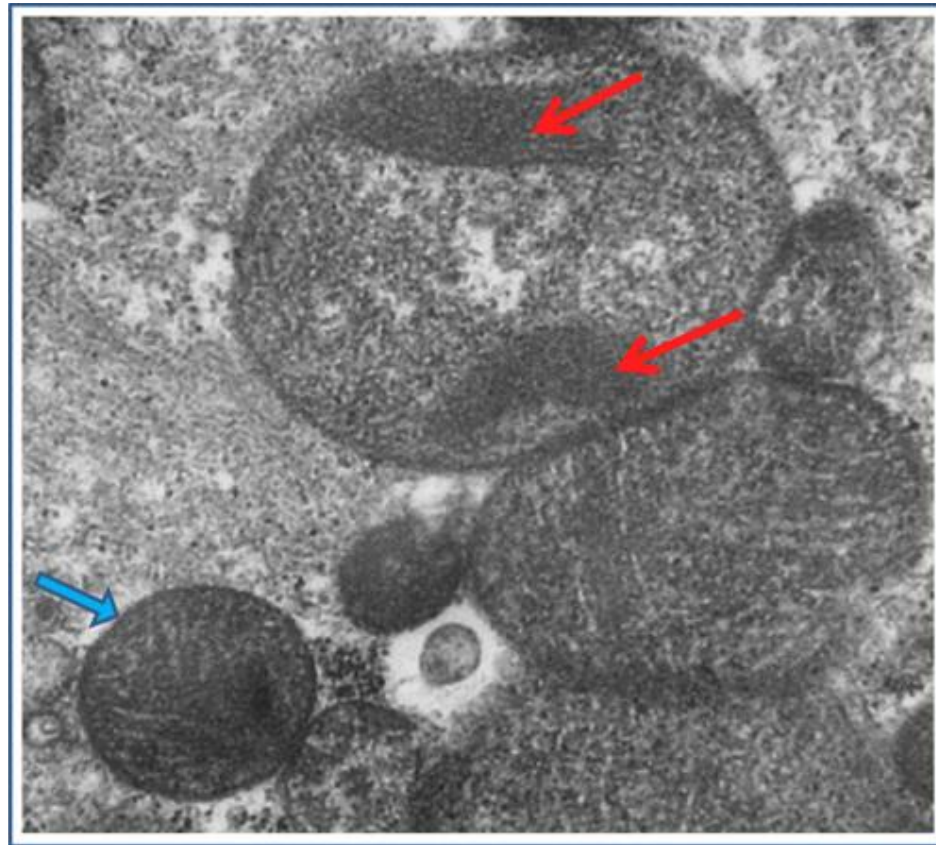


-Perrault-syndrome:  
ovarian failure  
and sensorineural  
deafness

# SARS2

## HUPRA syndrome

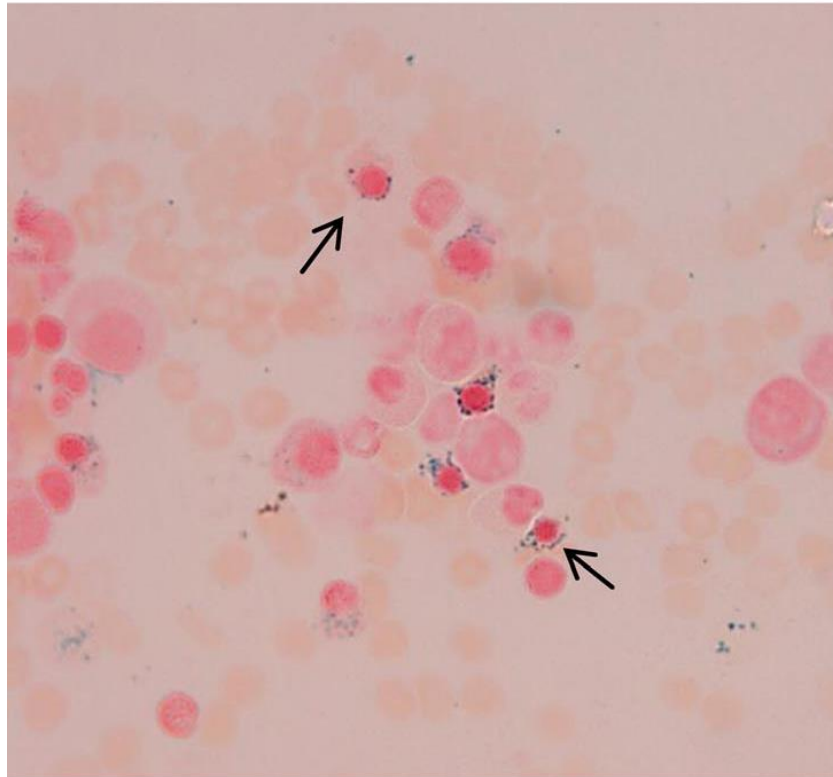
Hyperuricemia, pulmonary hypertension, and progressive renal failure



# YARS2

## MLASA

Myopathy, lactic acidosis, sideroblastic anemia





# IARS2

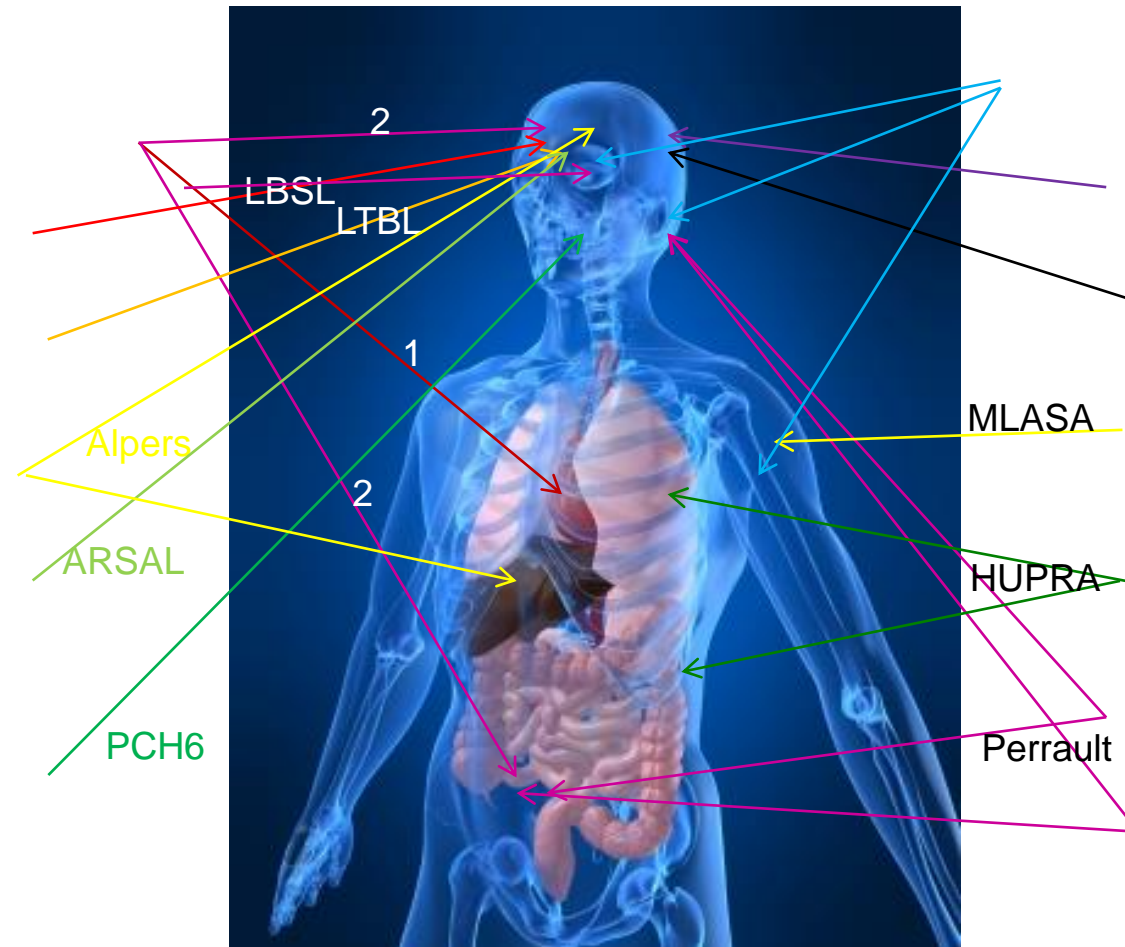
## CAGSSS

cataracts (CA), growth hormone deficiency (G), sensory neuropathy (S),  
sensorineural hearing loss (S), and skeletal dysplasia (S)



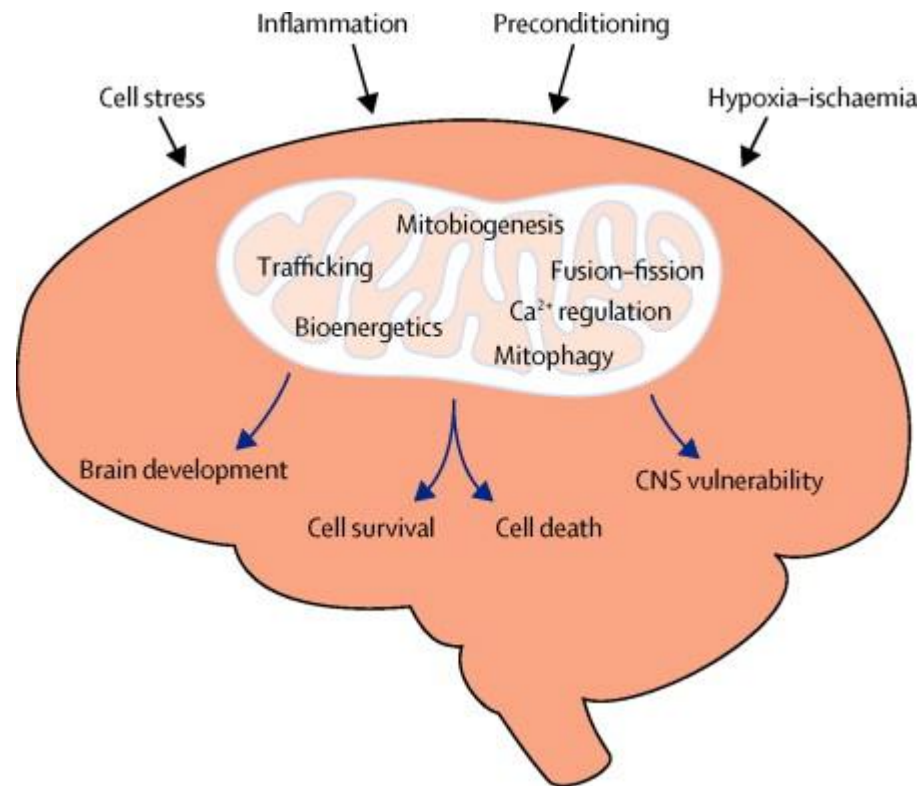
# Mitochondrial tRNA synthetases (aaRS2)

|       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| AARS2 | FARS2 | KARS  | PARS2 | TARS2 |
| CARS2 | GARS  | LARS2 | GATC  | VARS2 |
| DARS2 | HARS2 | MARS2 | RARS2 | WARS2 |
| EARS2 | IARS2 | NARS2 | SARS2 | YARS2 |



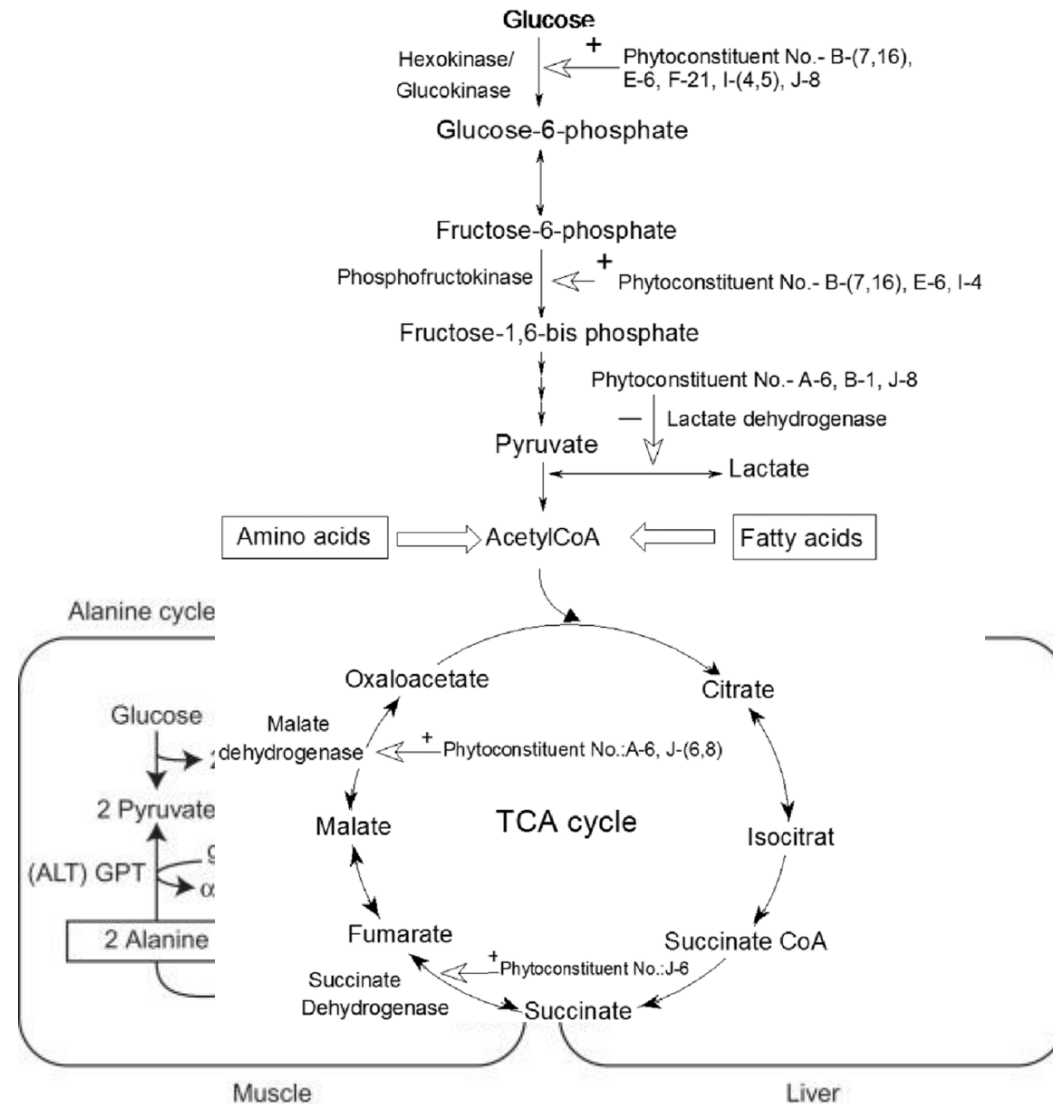
# Diagnostics

- Always part of your DD!



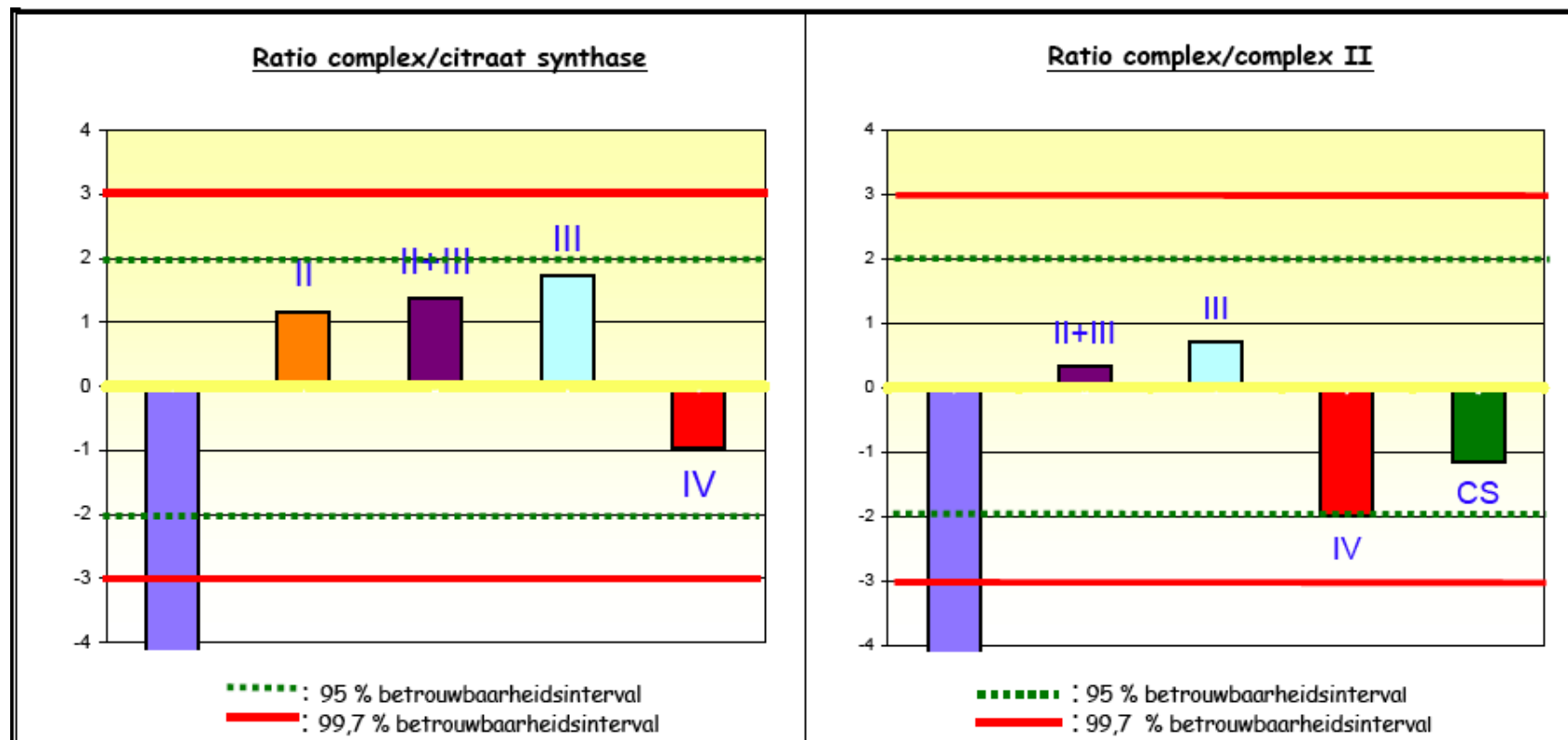
# Diagnostics

- Biochemical analyses
  - Lactate: CSF, serum, urine
  - Pyruvate
  - OA: Krebs-intermediates
  - Alanine
  - FGF21



# Diagnostics

- Biochemical analyses
  - Tissue (muscle-liver-skin-heart) analysis for spectrophotometric enzyme analysis



# Diagnostics

## Possible results:

- Isolated complex deficiency



## Interpretation

mtDNA complex subunit  
Nuclear complex subunit  
Nuclear assembly factor

- Combined complex deficiency (I+III+IV)



mtDNA depletion  
mtDNA deletion  
Nuclear genes: transcription and translation

- Combined complex deficiency (I+II)

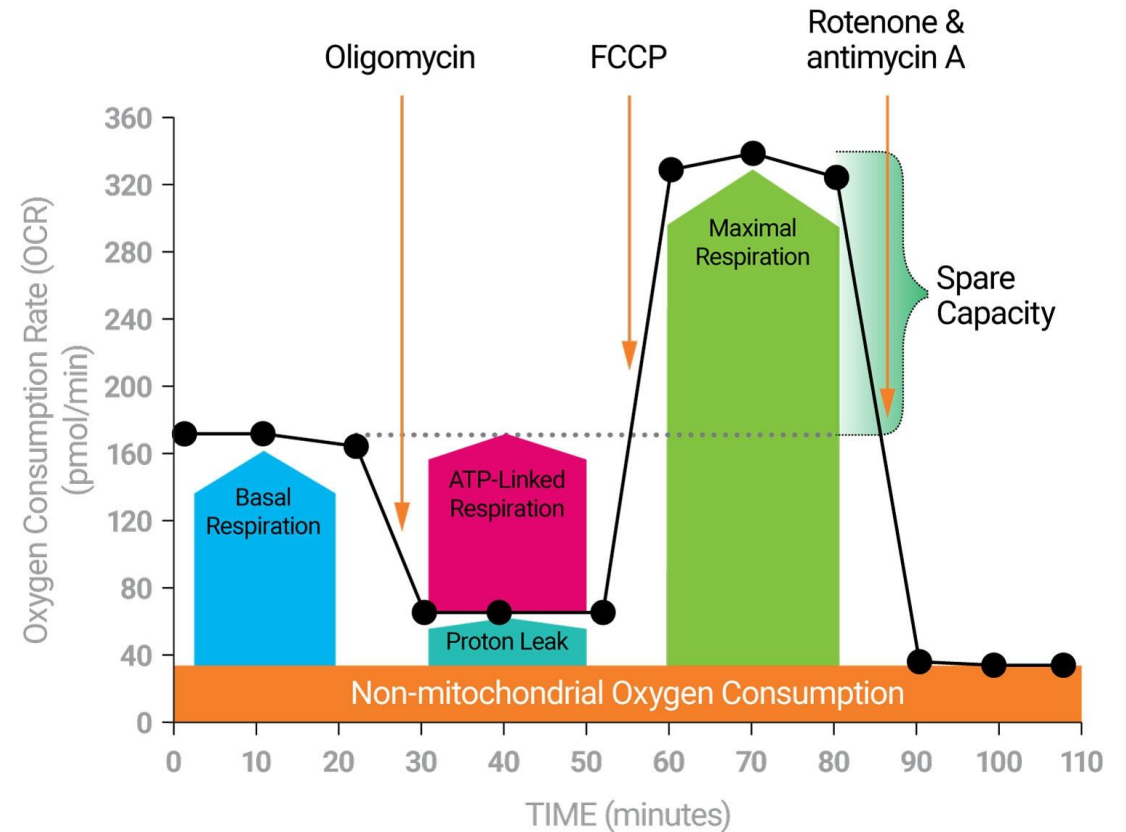


Fe-S cluster genes

# Diagnostics

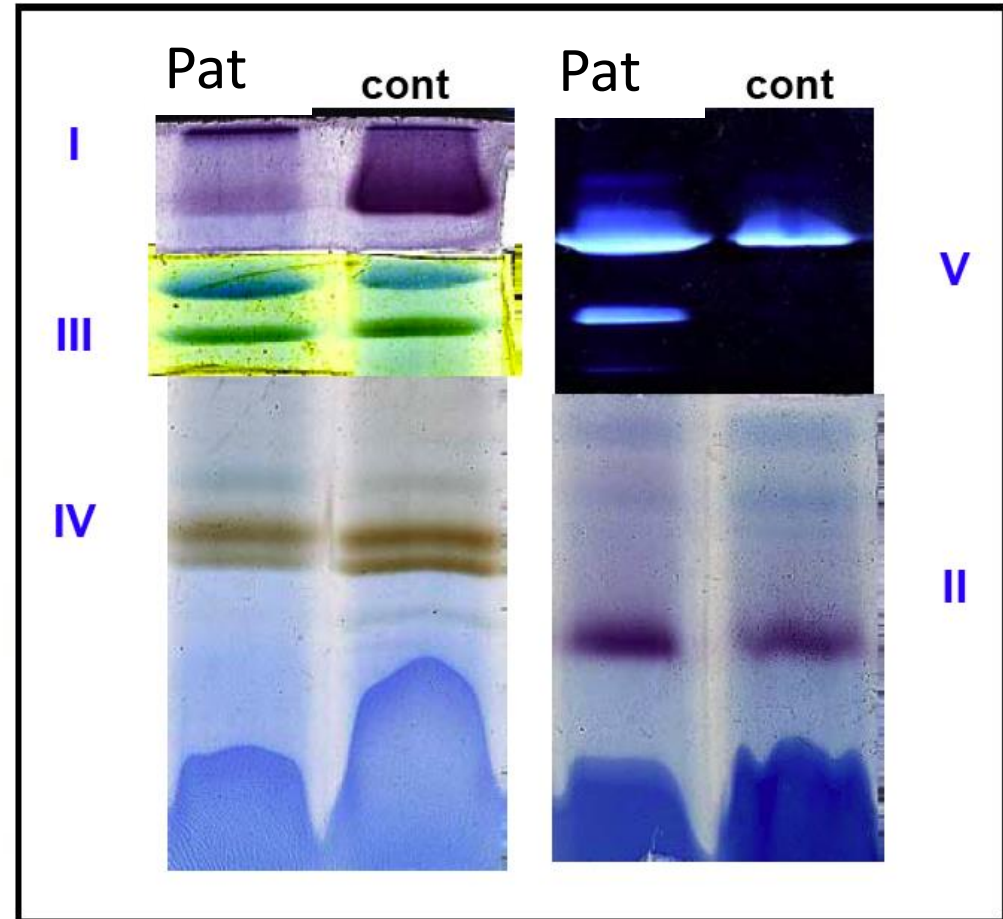
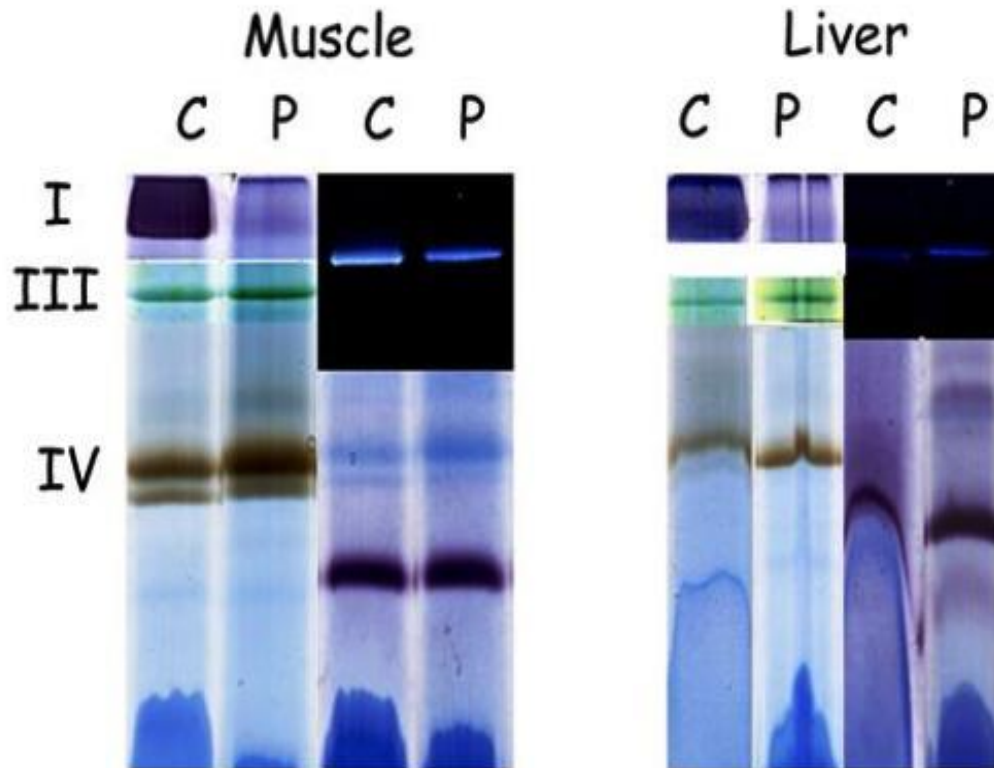
- Biochemical analyses (skin)
  - Oxygen consumption analysis
- More in vivo mimics

Seahorse XF Cell Mito Stress Test Profile  
Mitochondrial Respiration



# Diagnostics

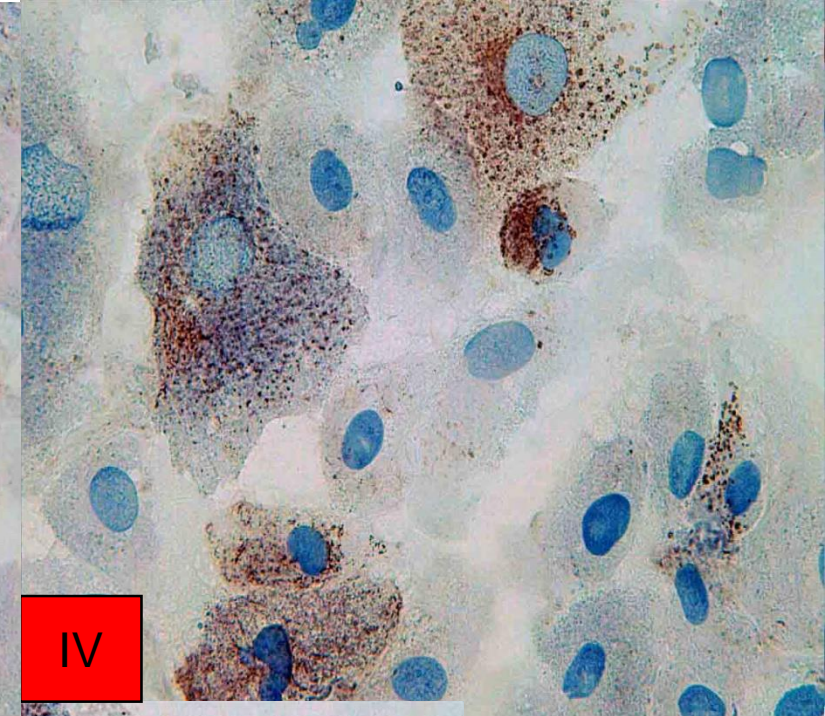
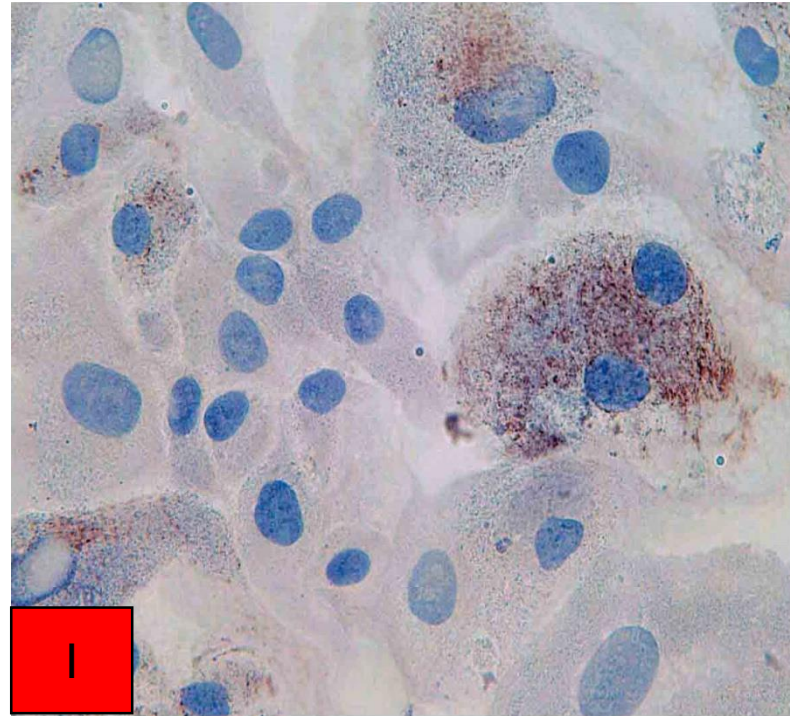
- Biochemical analyses: BN-PAGE



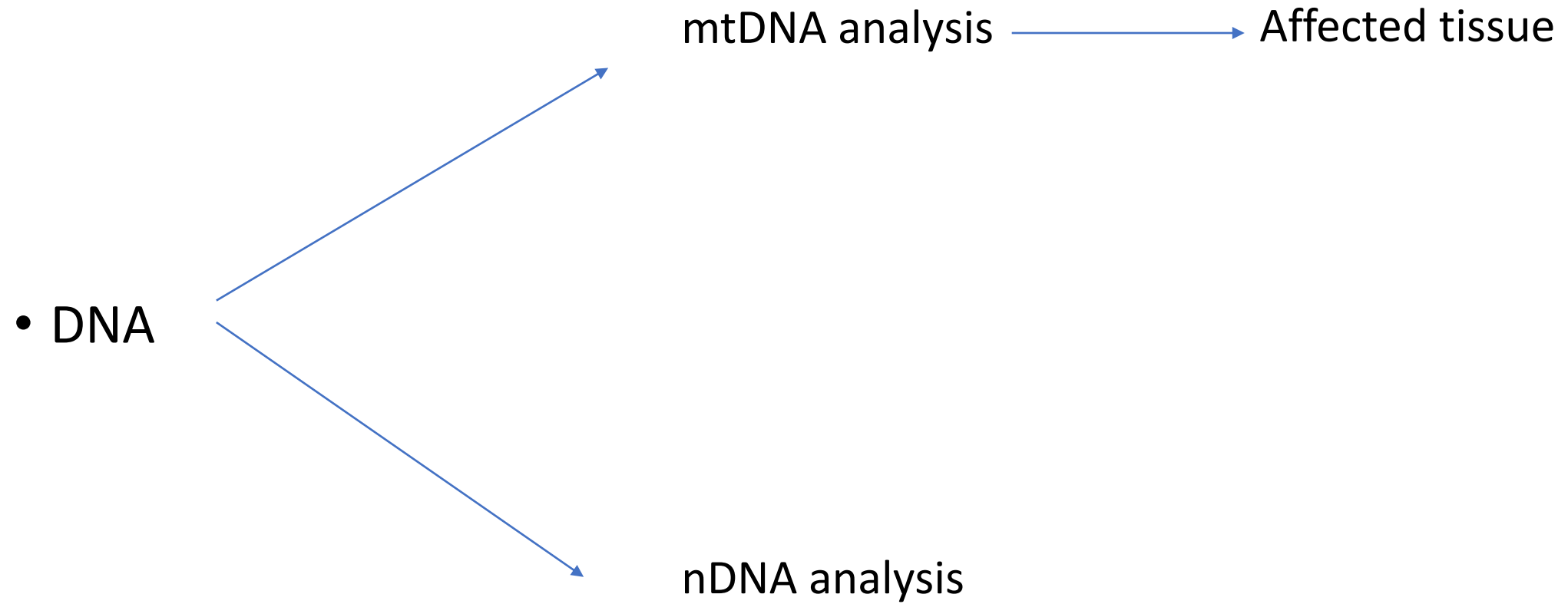


# Diagnostics

- Biochemical analyses:
  - immunocytostaining



# Diagnostics



# Conclusion

- Not unfrequently occurring diseases
- All organs can be involved, at any age
- Often severely and progressive
- No cure >> prevent, if possible

