

# Il paradigma di una malattia rara: la Malattia di Gaucher

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# Rare Diseases

- ✓ Rare diseases, including those of genetic origin, are life-threatening or chronically debilitating diseases which are of such low prevalence that special combined efforts are needed to address them
- ✓ Low prevalence is taken as prevalence of less than 5 per 10 000 persons in the European Union.

European Rare Diseases Task Force



# Rare Diseases

- ✓ It is estimated that between 5 000 and 8 000 distinct rare diseases exist today, affecting between 6% and 8% of the population in total - in other words, between 27 and 36 million people in the European Union
- ✓ The United States definition is very similar to the European one. In the US an orphan or rare disease is generally considered to have a prevalence of fewer than 200 000 affected individuals.



Mr S.B, age 36 yrs, officier in a library. Married



- Active sportman, had lack of energy, tiredness since few months leading to sport activity restriction

- No other symptoms but mild, occasional peripheral sensory loss
- Family History: southern italian origin. Parents apparently in good health. 3 brothers, 2 sisters



# More clues.....

- Hb: 12.5 g/dl ; MCV: 81 fl
- Platelets:  $88/10^9$
  
- AST: 27 U/L, ALT: 47 U/L, gGT: 35 U/L
- Tot. Bilirubin: 1.7 mg/dl, Unconj: 1.3 mg/dl
- HCV, HbsAg: negative
  
- Iron:84 mg/dl; Transferrin saturation:30 %;
- Ferritin: 1 400 ng/ml;
  
- Blood film: normo/microcytic cells;  
poichylocytosis
- Hb pattern; G6PD activity: normal

Liver enlargement ( 4 cm ); spleen enlargement (3 cm)

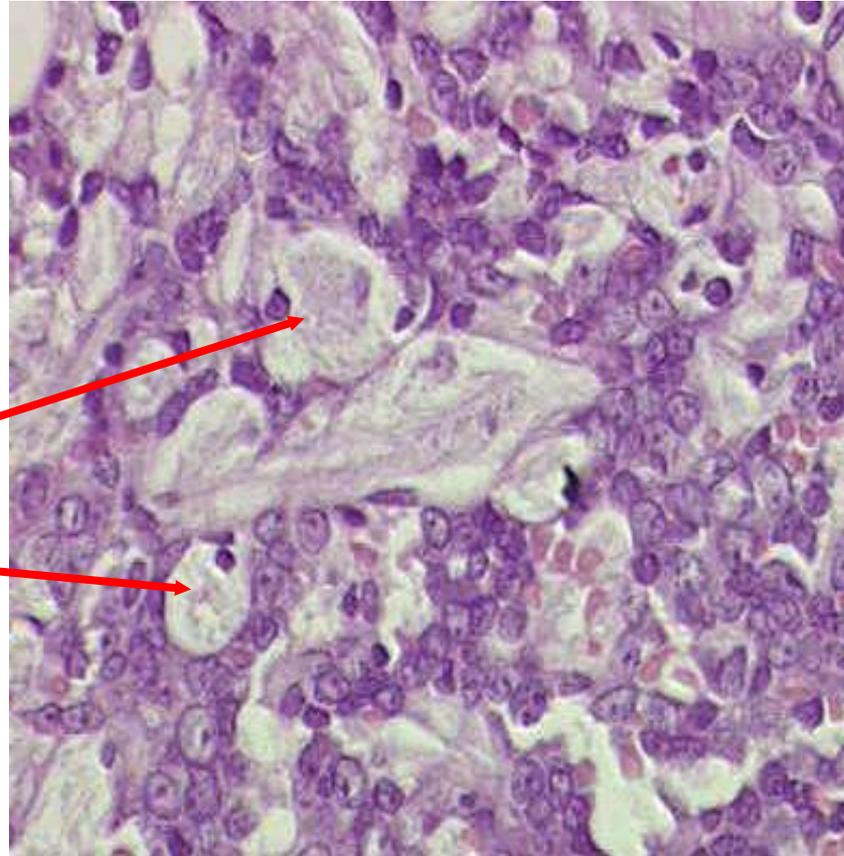


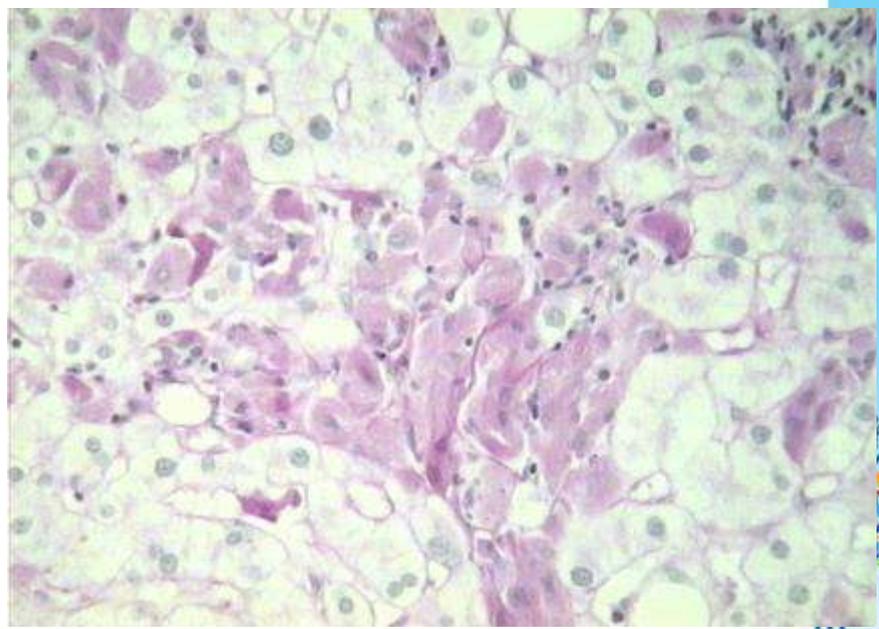
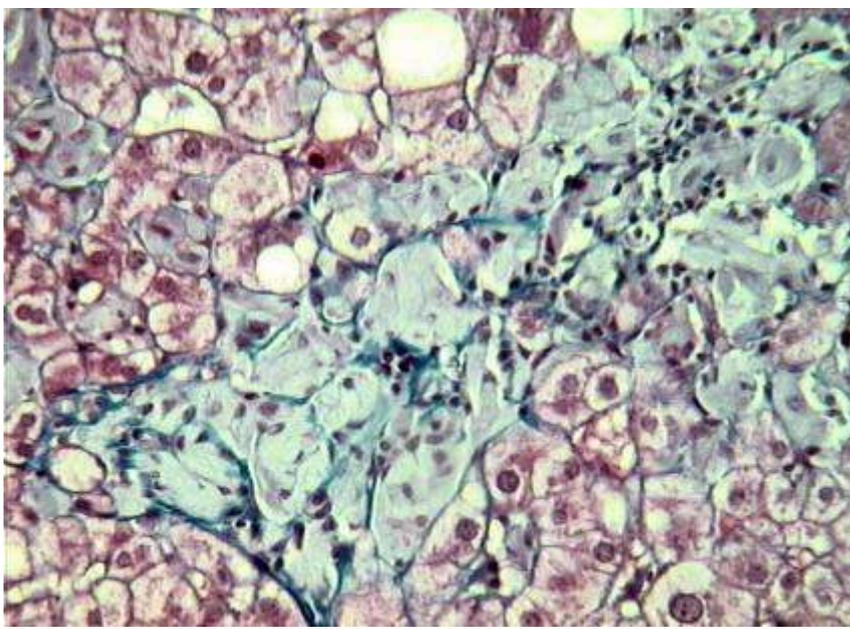
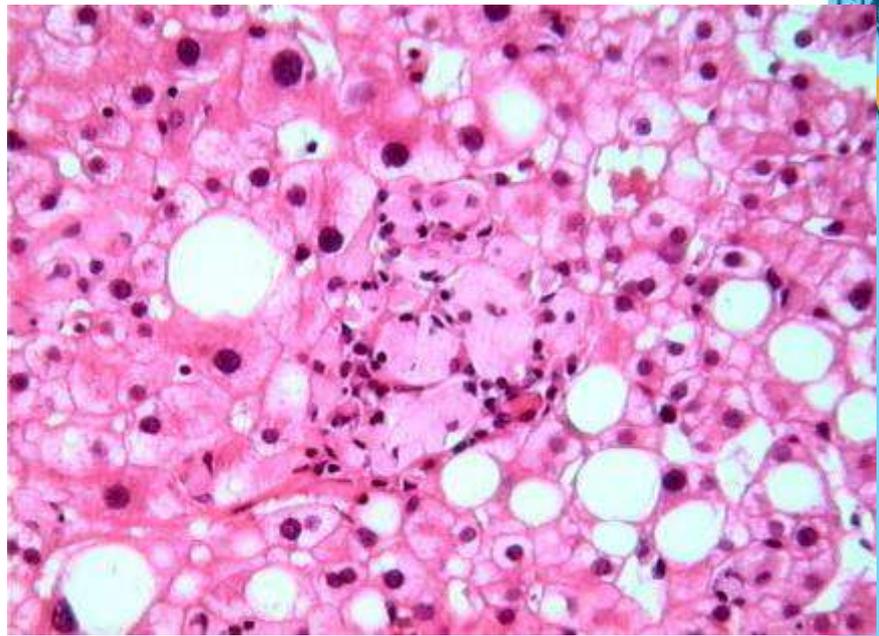
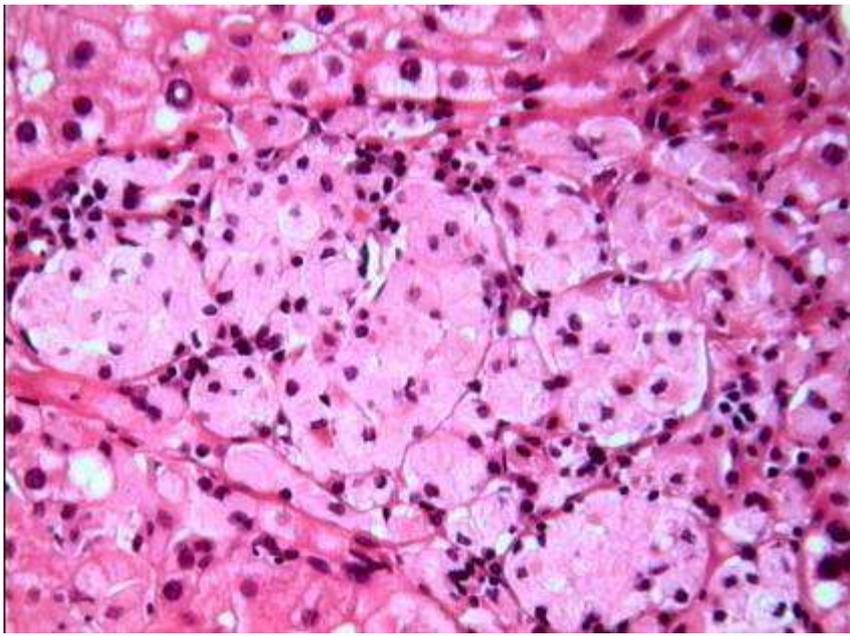
# Suspected diagnosis

- Viral neuropathy (neurologist)
- Mononucleosis
- Hepatitis/Cirrhosis (Hepatologist)
- Lymphoma (Hematologist)



Gaucher like cells?





# Keck School staging :1a





Mr S.B, age 36 yrs,  
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- More than 1 year before diagnosis was made
- He visited 4 different specialists
- He underwent 2 invasive exams (BM, Liver biopsy)

## Malattia di Gaucher



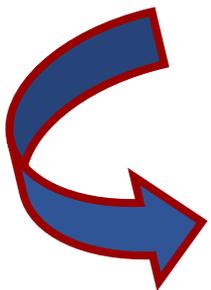
AS, 49 aa

- ✓ dall'infanzia sino all'adolescenza ha portato un "corsetto" (non sa documentare le motivazioni), senza problemi di crescita
- ✓ anamnesi silente fino al 2001, quando nel 2001.. **blocco meniscale** durante attività fisica in bicicletta
- ✓ **intervento in artroscopia** senza problemi di sanguinamento (agli EE pre-operatori **PLT 60.000**)



**AS, 49 aa**

- ✓ nel 2005 intenso dolore lombare ed all'anca destra
- ✓ Rx anca destra: necrosi asettica della testa femorale destra



**Indicazione chirurgica per protesi d'anca**



**AS, 49 aa**

- GB 10900/mm<sup>3</sup> ;
- GR 4.480/mm<sup>3</sup>
- Hb 14.7 g/dl
- MCV 95.3 fl

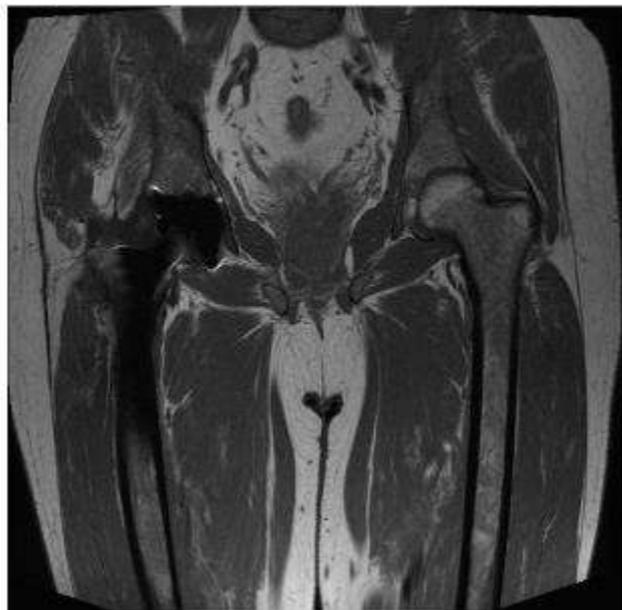
**PtI 89000/mm<sup>3</sup>**

**Ferritina 1393 ng/ml**

- AST 21 U/L, ALT 18 U/L, gGT 31 U/L
- Bilirubina tot 0.51 mg/dl, ind <0,01 mg/dl
- Dosaggio di folati e vitamina B12 nella norma



# RMN

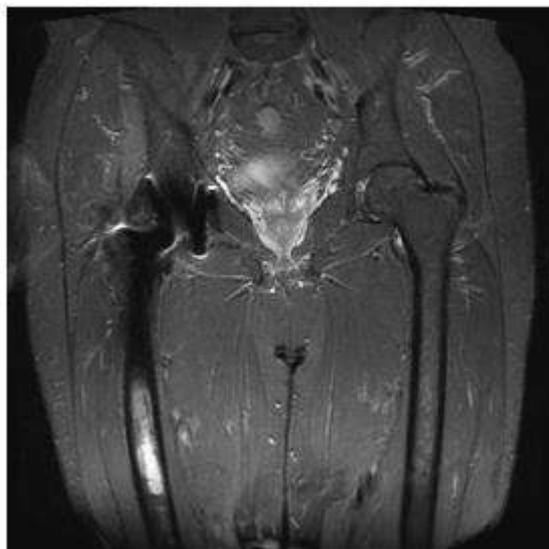


T1



T2

STIR



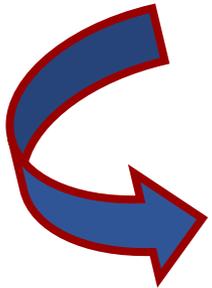
AS, 49 aa, M

Protesi d'anca  
(necrosi asettica testa femorale)

Piastrinopenia

Problemi ossei nell'infanzia

Malattia di Gaucher



# GP/Internists *key in diagnosis*

Presenting signs and symptoms often related to the haematological manifestations of disease:

- Thrombocytopenia

- Anaemia

- Bleeding

Other haematological signs may include

- Hyperferritinemia

- Vitamin B12 deficiency

- MGUS

- Coagulopathies

- Increased risk of haematological malignancy

*Hughes et al 2007 Br J Haematol:138(6):676-8*



# Malattia di Gaucher



**E' una malattia autosomica recessiva caratterizzata dalla presenza di due alleli mutati per il gene della glucocerebrosidasi, localizzati nella regione q21 del cromosoma 1.**

**Tale alterazione comporta un accumulo di glucocerebroside all'interno di macrofagi specialmente nel sistema reticolo-endoteliale che possono infiltrare differenti organi quali il fegato, la milza, il midollo osseo ed il polmone.**



# Patologia multidisciplinare



Chirurgo



Ematologo



Reumatologo



Medico di famiglia

Internista



Radiologo



Ginecologo

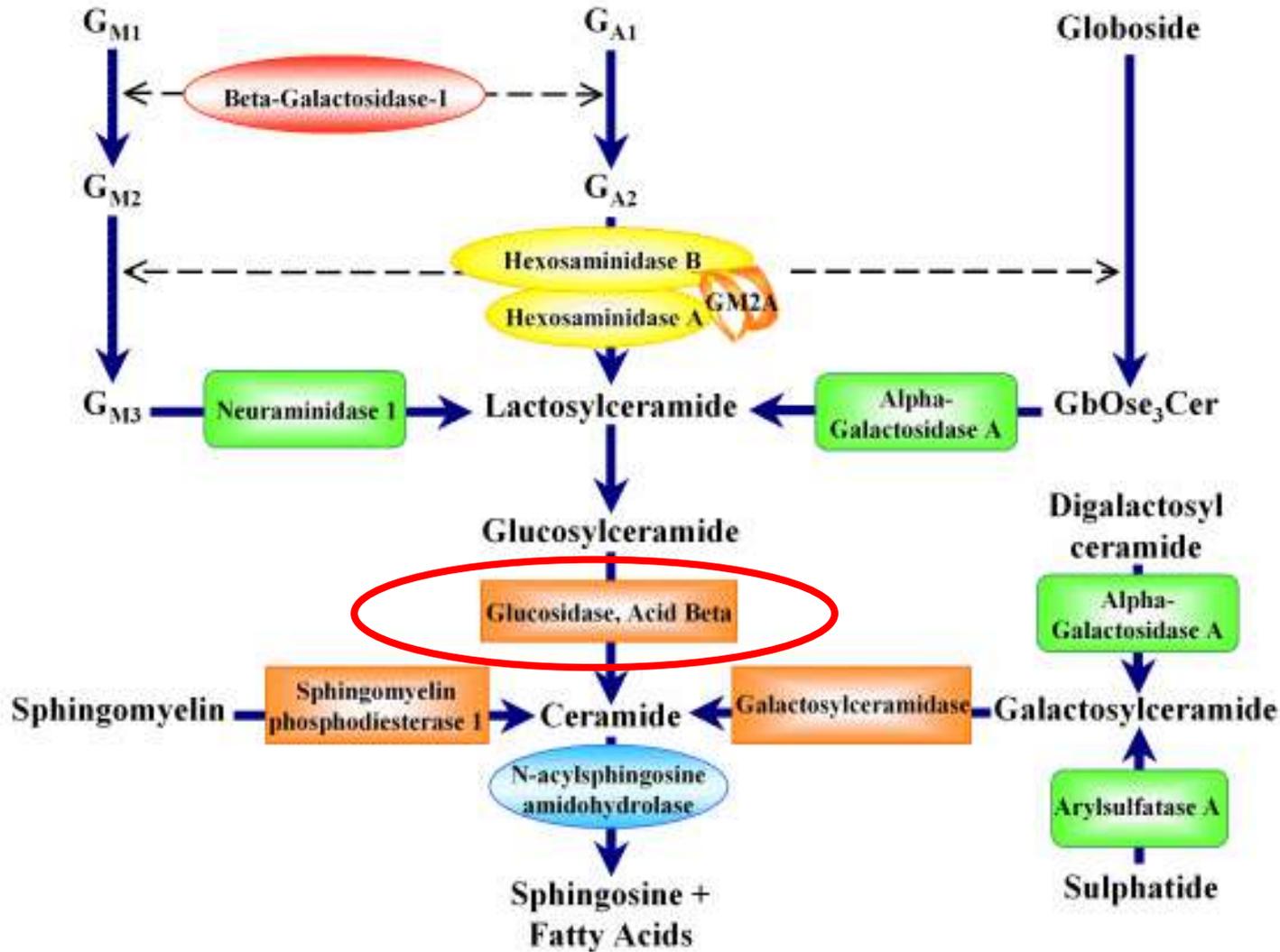


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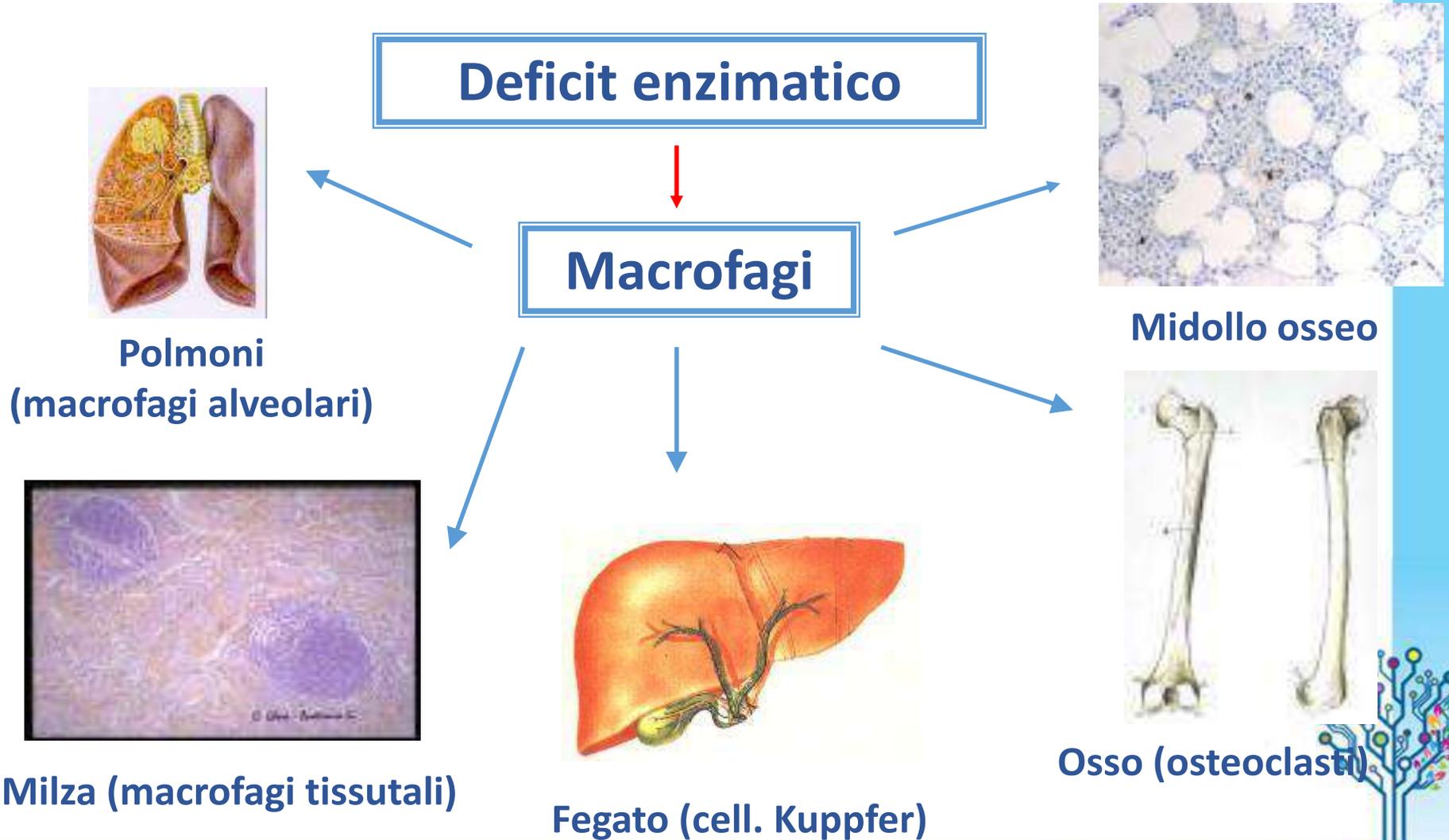
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# Malattia di Gaucher



# Coinvolgimento d'organo

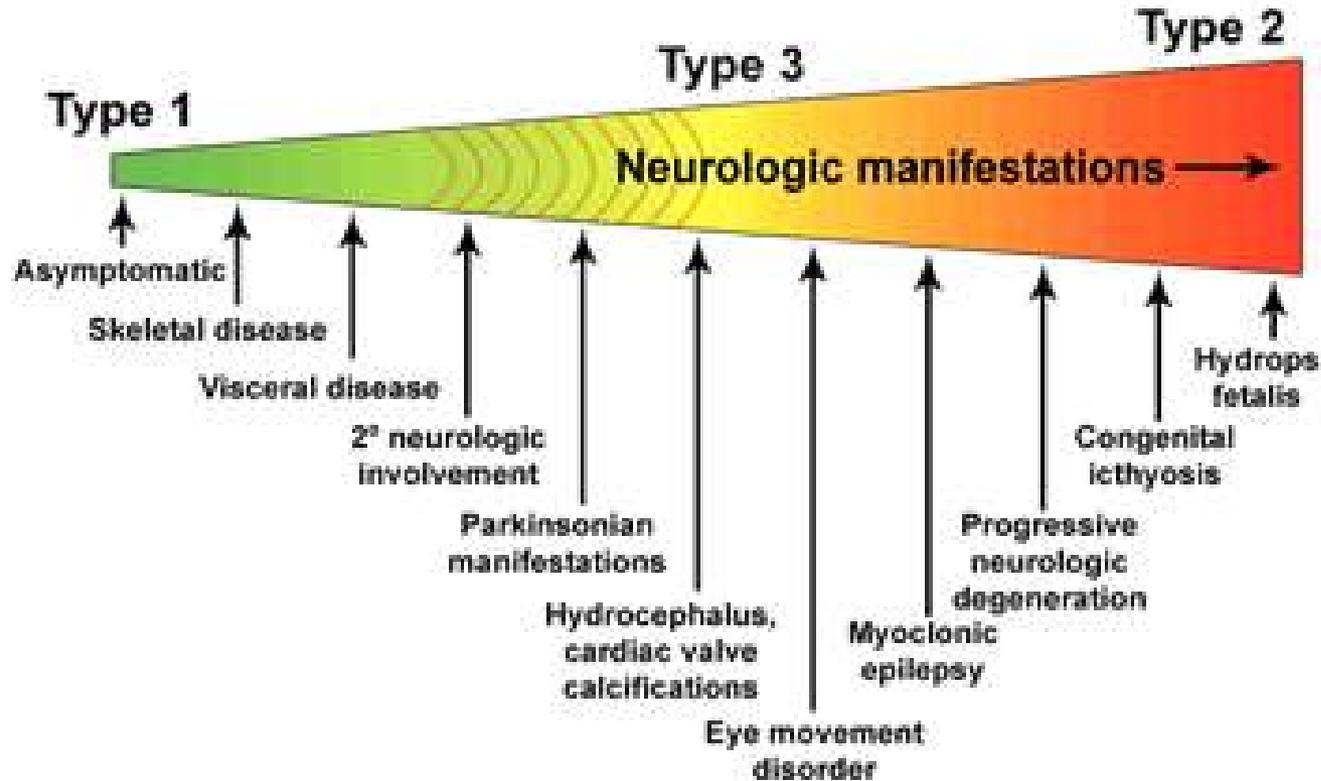


# Manifestazioni cliniche

<i>CARATTERISTICA</i>	<i>TIPO I</i>	<i>TIPO II</i>	<i>TIPO III</i>
<b><i>NOME DESCRITTIVO</i></b>	Non neuropatica (forma adulta o cronica)	Neuropatica acuta (forma infantile)	Neuropatica subacuta (forma giovanile)
<b><i>INCIDENZA</i></b>	Da 1 a 40000 a 1 a 60000 (da 1 su 450 a 1 su 1500 negli ebrei Askenazi)	< 1 su 100000	Da < 1 su 50000 a < 1 su 100000
<b><i>ETNIA</i></b>	Pan-etnica (ebrei Askenazi)	Pan-etnica	Pan-etnica (Svedesi Norrbotniani)
<b><i>ETA' INSORGENZA</i></b>	qualsiasi età	Neonatale	Pediatrica
<b><i>ASPETTATIVA DI VITA</i></b>	Da 6 a 80 anni o più	< 2 anni	Da 2 a 60 anni
<b><i>COINVOLG. NEUROL.</i></b>	--	+++	+ / +++ (progressivo)
<b><i>EPATOSPLENOMEGALIA</i></b>	+ / +++	++	+ / +++
<b><i>ANOM. EMATOLOGICHE</i></b>	+ / +++	+++	+ / +++
<b><i>COINV. SCHELETRICO</i></b>	+ / +++	--	- / +++

# Manifestazioni cliniche

## Gaucher Disease - a phenotypic continuum



*Patients with Gaucher disease can have a spectrum of symptoms, ranging from mild to severe neurological effects. The classic categories of types 1, 2 and 3 have blurry edges along this continuum.*



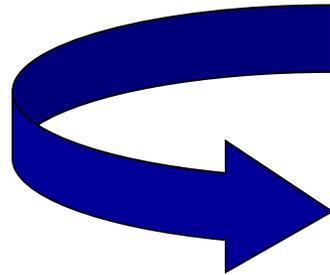
# Complicanze ematologiche e viscerali alla diagnosi

	Italy	European area
<b>Patients enrolled</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>1761</b>
<b>Anaemia<sup>†</sup>, n (%)</b>	<b>n=45</b>	<b>n=646</b>
Yes	15 (33)	193 (30)
No	30 (67)	453 (70)
<b>Thrombocytopenia<sup>‡</sup> (platelet count, x 10<sup>3</sup>/mm<sup>3</sup>) [non-splenectomized patients only], n (%)</b>	<b>n=40</b>	<b>n=612</b>
Mild or none (≥120)	17 (43)	229 (37)
Moderate (60 to <120)	17 (43)	288 (47)
Severe (<60)	6 (15)	95 (16)
<b>Splenomegaly (Spleen Volume in Multiples of Normal), n (%)</b>	<b>n=7</b>	<b>n=282</b>
Mild or none (≤5)	0 (0)	16 (6)
Moderate (>5 to ≤15)	3 (43)	166 (59)
Severe (>15)	4 (57)	100 (35)
<b>Hepatomegaly (Liver Volume in Multiples of Normal) , n (%)</b>	<b>n=7</b>	<b>n=279</b>
Mild or none (≤1.25)	0 (0)	109 (39)
Moderate (>1.25 to ≤2.5)	5 (71)	135 (48)
Severe (>2.5)	2 (29)	35 (13)

# Complicanze ossee alla diagnosi

	Italy		European area	
<b>Patients Enrolled</b>	<b>n=121</b>		<b>n=1761</b>	
<b>Bone Pain, n (%)</b>	<b>n=35</b>		<b>n=533</b>	
Absent	25 (71)		338 (63)	
Present	10 (29)		195 (37)	
Very Mild	2 (20)		34 (17)	
Mild	5 (50)		62 (32)	
Moderate	1 (10)		41 (21)	
Severe/Extreme	0 (0)		21 (11)	
Not Specified	2 (20)		37 (19)	
<b>Prior Bone Crisis, n (%)</b>	<b>n=30</b>		<b>n=472</b>	
Absent	29 (97)		446 (94)	
Present	1 (3)		26 (6)	
<b>Radiologic Bone Disease, n (%)</b>	<b>n=26</b>		<b>n=309</b>	
Evidence of Any Bone Disease	<b>n=26</b>		<b>n=309</b>	
Absent	12 (46)		56 (18)	
Present	14 (54)		253 (82)	
Type of Bone Disease Reported	Any Data Available, n	Abnormality Present, n(%)	Any Data Available, n	Abnormality Present, n(%)
Avascular Necrosis	8	1 (13)	171	25 (15)
Erlenmeyer Flask Deformity	19	3 (16)	216	145 (67)
Fractures	14	0 (0)	152	12 (8)
Infarction	16	1 (6)	166	20 (12)
Lytic Lesions	15	0 (0)	149	9 (6)
Marrow Infiltration	10	8 (80)	126	94 (75)
Osteopenia	23	12 (52)	192	70 (36)
<b>Decreased Bone Mineral Density (lumbar spine DXA z-score<sup>†</sup>), n (%)</b>	<b>n=0</b>		<b>n=86</b>	
Mild or None (> -1)	0 (0)		44 (51)	
Moderate (> -2.5 to ≤ -1)	0 (0)		35 (41)	
Severe (≤ -2.5)	0 (0)		7 (8)	
<b>Pediatric Growth Retardation, n (%)</b>	<b>n=20</b>		<b>n=310</b>	
Observed	4 (20)		99 (32)	
Expected <sup>‡</sup>	1 (5)		16 (5)	

# Età alla diagnosi



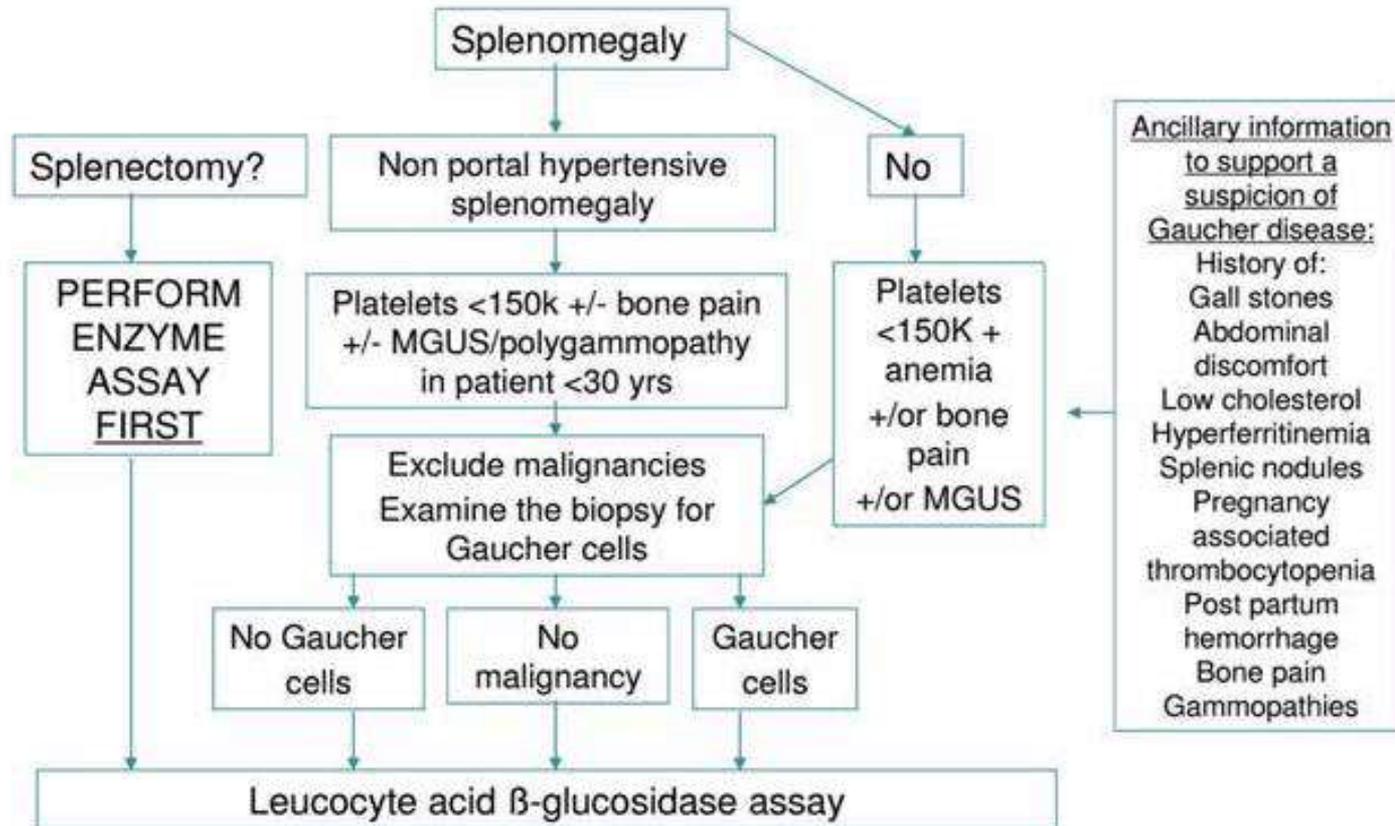
<b>Patients Enrolled</b>	<b>5710</b>
<b>Disease Type*, n (%)</b>	<b>n=5458</b>
Type 1	5005 (92)
Type 2	62 (1)
Type 3	391 (7)
<b>Sex, n (%)</b>	<b>n=5710</b>
Males	2669 (47)
Females	3041 (53)
<b>Age at Diagnosis† (years)</b>	<b>n=5289</b>
Median (25 <sup>th</sup> , 75 <sup>th</sup> )	14 (5, 30)
Mean (SD)	20 (18)
Min, Max	<0 <sup>‡</sup> , 91
<b>Age at Diagnosis†, n (%)</b>	<b>n=5289</b>
Prenatal <sup>‡</sup> to <10 years	2252 (43)
10 to <20 years	877 (17)
20 to <30 years	807 (15)
30 to <40 years	550 (10)
40 to <50 years	380 (7)
50 to <60 years	224 (4)
60 to <70 years	135 (3)
70 years or more	64 (1)
<b>Treatment Status, n (%)</b>	<b>n=5704</b>
Ever on imiglucerase	4514 (79)
Never on imiglucerase	1190 (21)
<b>Age at First Infusion, (years)</b>	<b>n=4495</b>
Median (25 <sup>th</sup> , 75 <sup>th</sup> )	26 (9, 42)
Mean (SD)	27 (20)
Min, Max	0, 87
<b>Age at Last Follow-up, (years)</b>	<b>n=5710</b>
Median (25 <sup>th</sup> , 75 <sup>th</sup> )	33 (17, 51)
Mean (SD)	35 (21)
Min, Max	<0 <sup>‡</sup> , 92

Data from Gaucher Registry 2010

# Algoritmo Diagnostico

## Diagnosis in individuals of non-Ashkenazi Jewish origin

Gaucher disease ~1: 40,000-100,000: Hematologic malignancies ~40:100,000



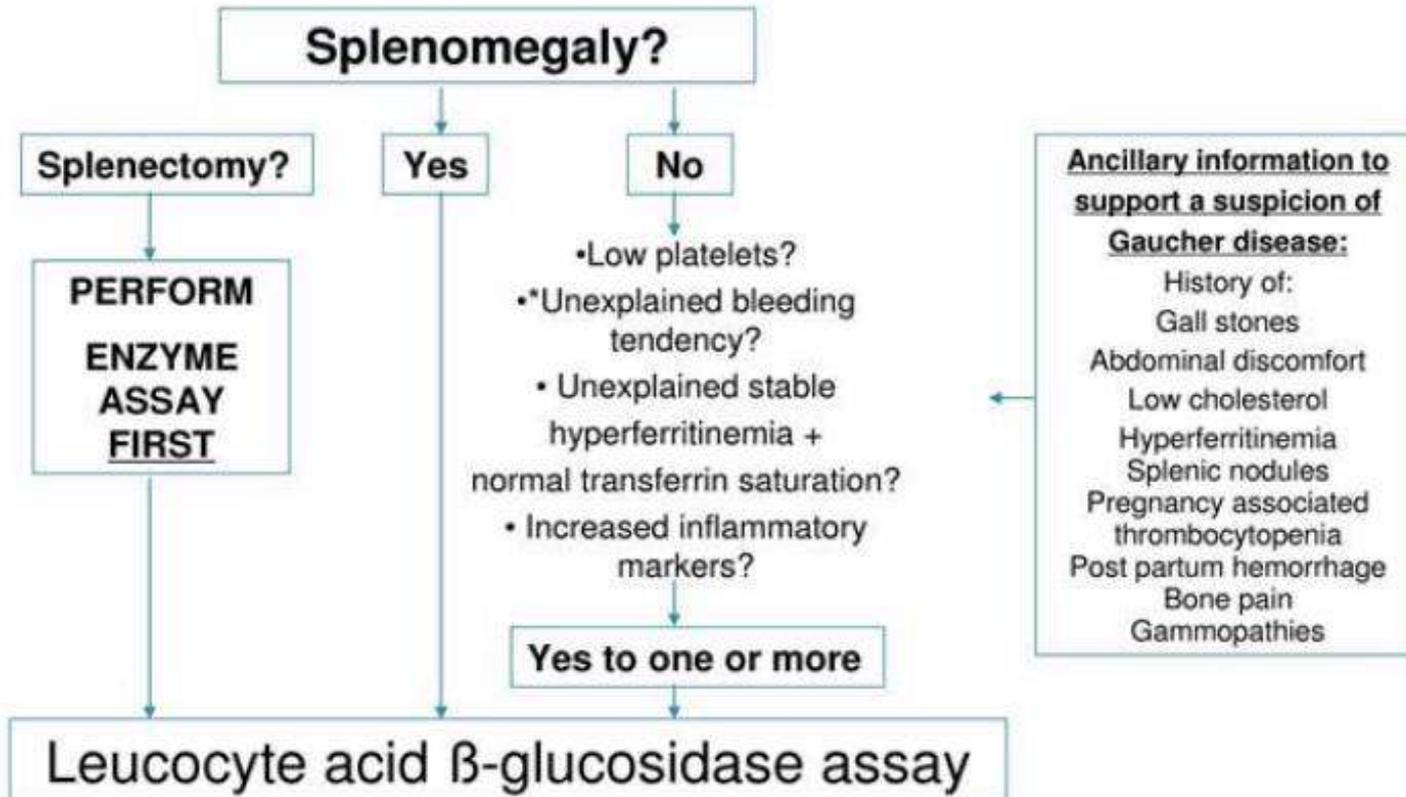
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# Algoritmo Diagnostico

## Diagnosis in individuals of Ashkenazi Jewish origin

(Gaucher disease frequency ~1:800; Hematologic malignancies 1: 2,500)



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# CONFERMA DIAGNOSTICA

DBS: dry blood spot, dosaggio enzimatico

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Patient Identification Number<sup>5</sup>

Requesting Physician<sup>6</sup>

Hospital Name<sup>7</sup>

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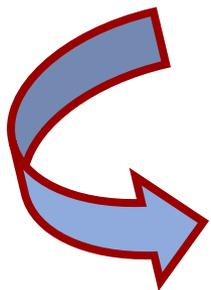
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Zinc-free

Bottom Copy: Diagnostic Laboratory<sup>10b</sup>



Analisi molecolare



# Complicanze nell'adulto

## COLELITIASI



## TUMORI SOLIDI

Carcinoma epatocellulare  
Melanoma

## MALATTIE EMATOLOGICHE (rischio 14.7 volte)

- mieloma multiplo (rischio: 5.9 volte)
- MGUS
- linfomi/leucemie

Taddei TH et al. J Inherit Metab Dis 2010; 33(3):291-300;  
Rosenbloom et al. Blood 2005;105:4569-4572;  
de Fost M et al. Blood Cells Mol Dis 2006; 36: 53-58;  
Hughes D et al. Br J Haematol 2007; 138: 676-86.



# Complicanze nell'adulto

## PARKINSONISMO

- rischio elevato di pazienti con GD di sviluppare M. Parkinson
- soggetti portatori di una mutazione per GD ad aumentato rischio per M. Parkinson (giovanile e con deficit cognitivo)
- sesso maschile e aumento dell'età in pz GD sembrano fattori di rischio (Chetrit et al.)



# TERAPIE DISPONIBILI



**TERAPIA ENZIMATICA  
SOSTITUTIVA (ERT)**



**TERAPIA CON INIBITORI DEL SUBSTRATO  
(SRT)**



**TERAPIA DI SUPPORTO**





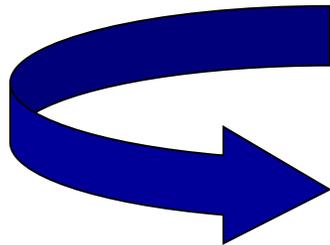
# SRT

Lancet. 2015 Jun 13;385(9985):2355-62. doi: 10.1016/S0140-6736(14)61841-9. Epub 2015 Mar 26.

**Eliglustat compared with imiglucerase in patients with Gaucher's disease type 1 stabilised on enzyme replacement therapy: a phase 3, randomised, open-label, non-inferiority trial.**

Cox TM<sup>1</sup>, Drelichman G<sup>2</sup>, Cravo R<sup>3</sup>, Balwani M<sup>4</sup>, Burrow TA<sup>5</sup>, Martins AM<sup>6</sup>, Lukina E<sup>7</sup>, Rosenbloom B<sup>8</sup>, Ross L<sup>9</sup>, Angell J<sup>9</sup>, Puqa AC<sup>9</sup>.

**INTERPRETATION:** Oral eliglustat maintained haematological and organ volume stability in adults with Gaucher's disease type 1 already controlled by intravenous ERT and could be a useful therapeutic option.



**IN FASE DI REGISTRAZIONE**



# TERAPIA DI SUPPORTO



- **Calcio, vitamina D e difosfonati**
- **Terapia delle singole complicanze**

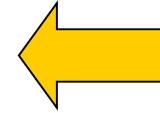


# APPROCCIO TERAPEUTICO



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HEMATOLOGY

## Gaucher Disease Type 1: Revised Recommendations on **Evaluations and Monitoring for Adult Patients**



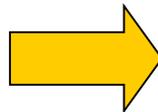
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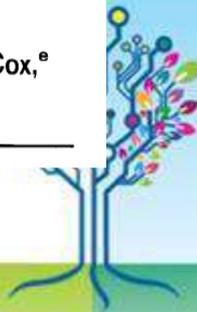
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Terapia e  
follow-up



## **Therapeutic Goals** in the Treatment of Gaucher Disease

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