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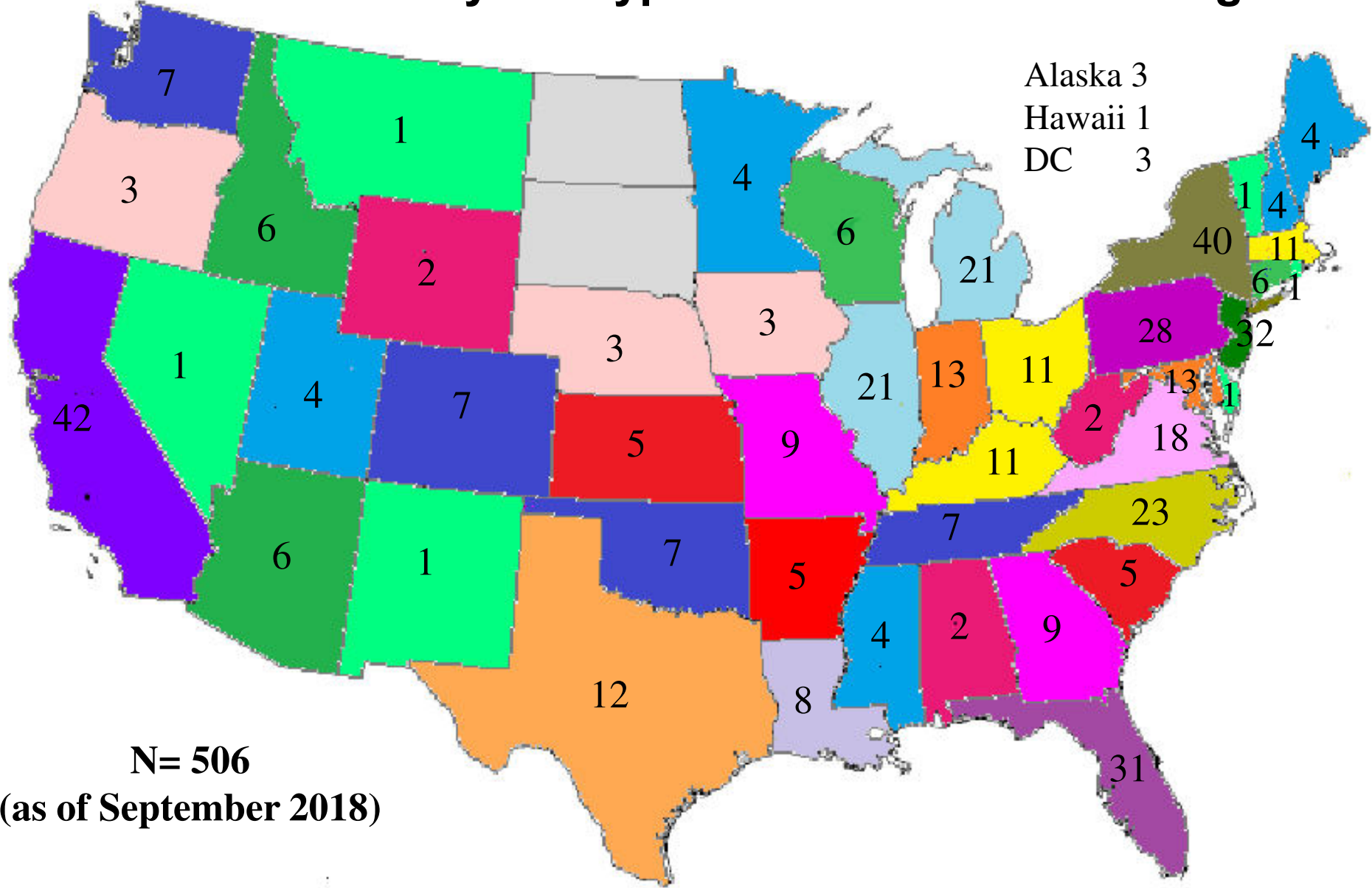
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Pancreatectomy for Hyperinsulinism: Patient Origins



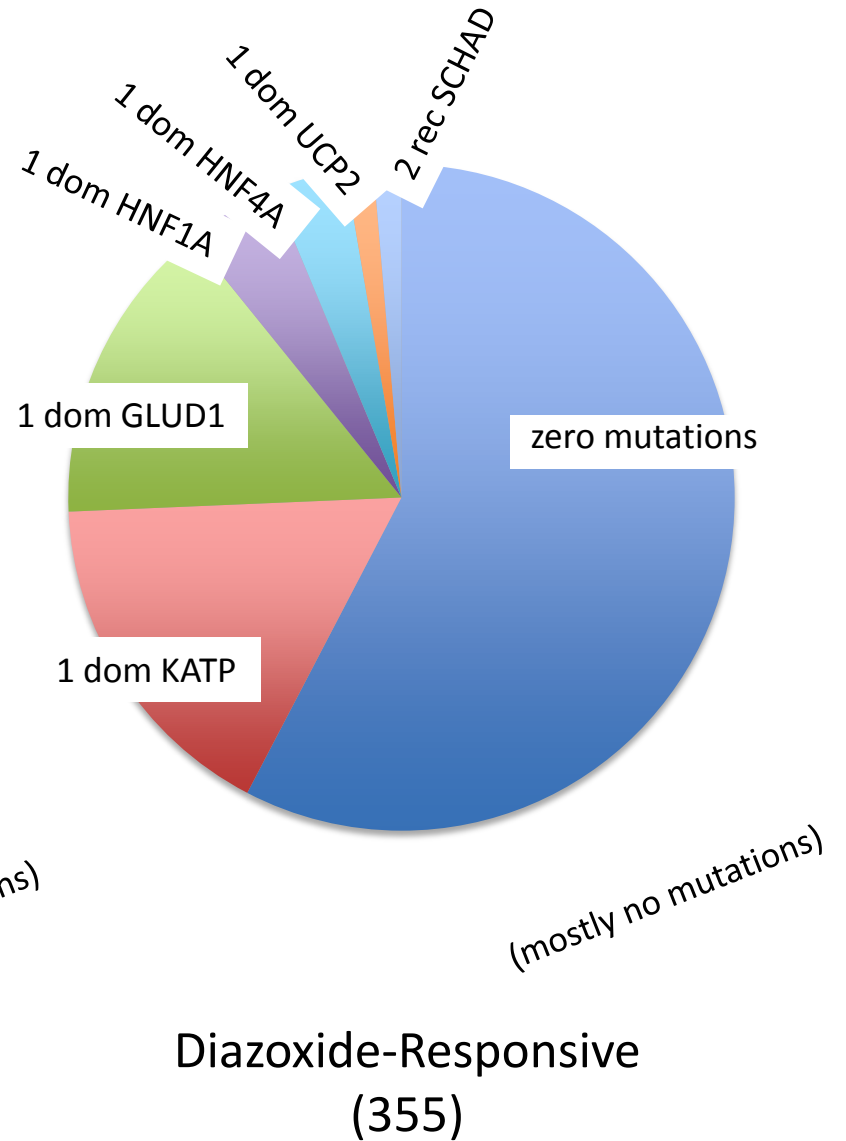
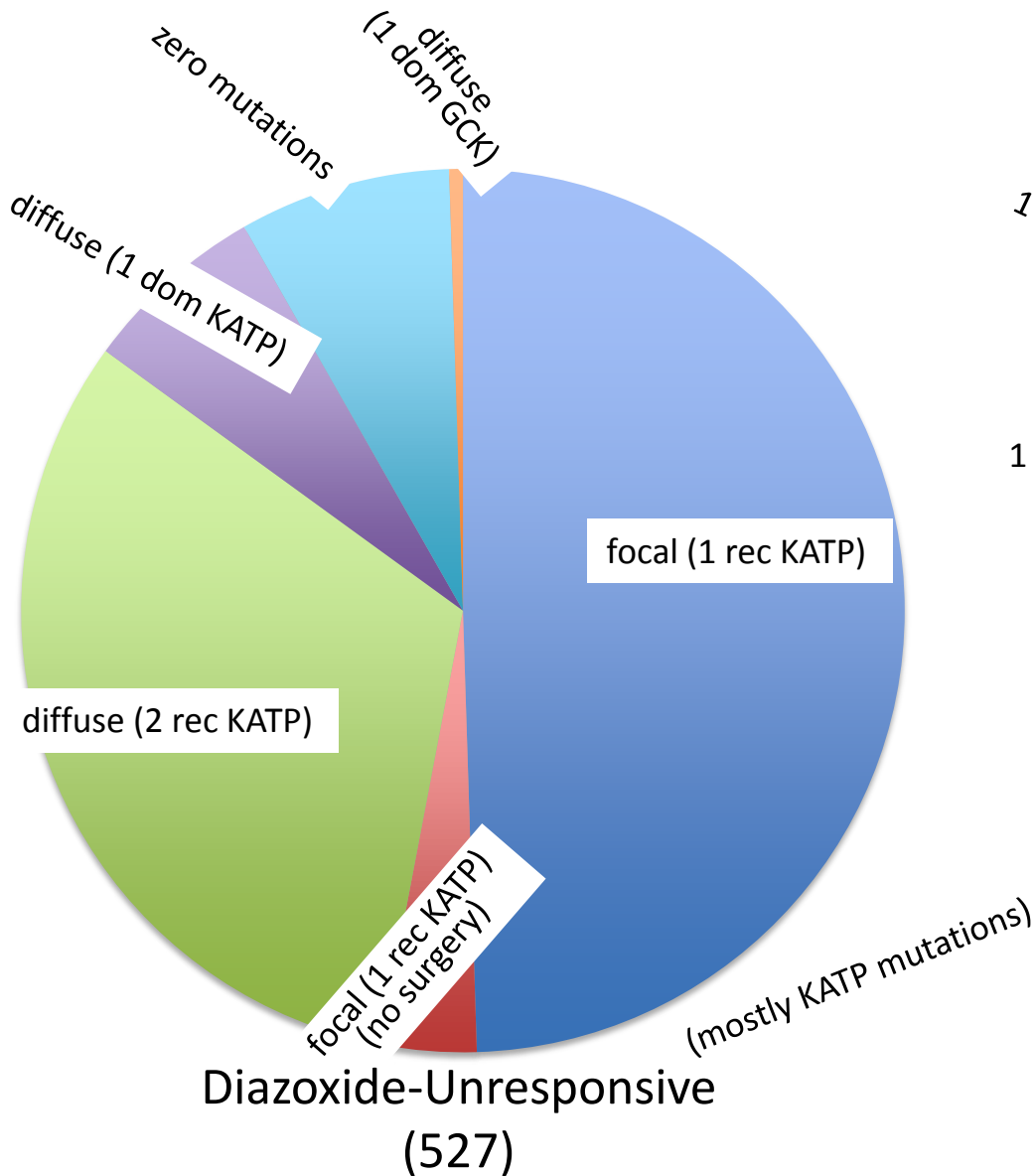
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Translational research program

- Novel molecular mechanisms of disease
- Mechanistic studies in pancreatic islets
- New modalities of treatment/management of hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia in patients with hyperinsulinism

Mutations in 882 Children with Congenital HI (1997-2018)



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Using Genetic Testing to Improve Patient Care

- Example: Results of CHOP HI Center genetic series show that we can predict which infants have focal HI: a single paternal recessive KATP mutation predicts focal HI (>95% accuracy)
- BUT....Important obstacles for using genetic results:
 - Obstacle #1: Because 70% of KATP mutations are novel, we can't predict whether a new variant is disease-causing vs. benign; dominant vs. recessive; diazoxide-responsive vs. unresponsive.
 - Obstacle #2: 3 distinct types of KATP mutations:
 - 1) HI bi-allelic recessive mutations cause diazoxide-unresponsive diffuse HI
 - 2) mono-allelic paternal recessive mutations cause diazoxide-unresponsive focal HI
 - 3) mono-allelic dominant mutations cause diazoxide-responsive or unresponsive diffuse HI
 - Obstacle #3. Many children with HI (especially diazoxide-responsive cases) do not have a detectable mutation

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(1) Using Genetic Testing to Improve Patient Care

Studies in progress to characterize novel KATP mutations by two methods:

1. In-vitro: studies with Dr. Show-ling Shyng (Portland, OR) to examine the function of novel missense KATP mutations by expression in COS cells (Golgi processing, Rb efflux, electrophysiology):

Recessive = non-trafficking. Dominant = trafficking, but low activity]

2. In-vivo: studies by Dr. Stanley & Dr. De Leon to test whether mutation carriers (parents) are normal (recessive mutation) or abnormal (dominant mutation) using 24-hour fasting studies and provocative tests (oral protein, oral glucose)

- Preliminary observations suggest that oral protein challenge test of the carrier parent may be an easy, rapid way to determine whether a novel missense variant in ABCC8 or KCNJ11 is a dominant disease-causing mutation (e.g., predict whether a single paternal missense mutation means diffuse or focal HI)

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(2) The problem of “missing” mutations in diazoxide-unresponsive “atypical HI” (LINE HI) (Boodhansingh, Li, Ganguly, Bhati, Stanley, DeLeon)

- Hypothesis: *the 9% of diazoxide-unresponsive children with NO mutation may have embryonic (“mosaic”) mutations*
- Testing 12 cases with LINE HI (“atypical HI”)
 - Functional studies of isolated islets from atypical vs normal regions
 - Use of both conventional Sanger and Next-gen Sequencing of isolated islets or whole pancreas cDNA and genomic DNA to identify “missed” dominant mutations in GCK or ABCC8
 - Verify detection of mosaic mutations in peripheral blood DNA
- Preliminary observations:
 - In most LINE HI cases we can detect very low-level mosaicism (4-8%) for dominant mutations of either ABCC8 or GCK in isolated islets and/or pancreas, but the mutations cannot be detected in peripheral blood)
 - Implication: children with “missing” mutations very likely have embryonic, mosaic mutations in a known dominant HI gene, rather than in an undiscovered HI gene:
 - GCK & ABCC8 for diazoxide-unresponsive HI
 - (2 GCK mutations detected in peripheral blood)
 - ABCC8, KCNJ11, GLUD1 for diazoxide-responsive HI
 - (2 GLUD1 mutations detected in peripheral blood)

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(3) The problem of “missing” mutations in diazoxide-responsive HI (Boodhansingh, Ganguly, Stanley, DeLeon)

- Hypothesis #2: *although many of the 60% of diazoxide-responsive children with NO mutation probably have mutations in known dominant genes, some might have mutations in novel genes*
- Testing of 7 families cases with dominant HI (one or two affected children plus one affected parent)
 - Phenotype testing of affecteds (fasting, oral glucose, oral protein)
 - Whole exome/genome sequencing of trio (patient and both parents)
 - Analyzing sequences for novel rare variants in potential candidate genes (~200-400 / case)
- Preliminary findings:
 - We have identified 3 candidate novel genes in two families
 - Work is in progress to validate the findings and to design functional expression assays to verify the mutations

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(4) Mechanism(s) of HI in Syndromic Forms of HI: Beckwith-Wiedemann Syndrome and Turner Syndrome (Boodhansingh, Ganguly, Stanley, DeLeon, Kalish)

Monogenic HI

Most common:

KATP Channel Defects

GLUD1

GCK

Rarer genes:

SCHAD

UCP2

MCT1

HK1

HNF4A

HNF1A

CACNA1D

PGM1

KCNQ1

KMT2D

KDM6A

Syndromic HI

Beckwith-Wiedemann

Kabuki (KS1, KS2)

Turner

Sotos

Congenital Disorders of
Glycosylation (CDG)

Perlman

Simpson-Golabi-Behmel

Costellos

Timothy

Neonatal Hypoglycemia

Transitional Hypoglycemia (HI)

Perinatal-Stress HI

Hyperinsulinism in Beckwith-Wiedemann Syndrome

- Features: macrosomia, macroglossia, hemihypertrophy, omphalocele, ear pits
- Locus: BWS imprinted locus on 11p (distal to KATP)
- Hyperinsulinism in 50% of BWS, usually transient, often responsive to diazoxide and resolves within first few months
- However ~5 % have persistent HI that does not respond to diazoxide

Question: what is the molecular basis for severe HI in BWS?

Congenital hyperinsulinism in children with paternal 11p uniparental isodisomy and Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrome

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"I'm the Blood Sugar Fairy.
If you can see me, yours is too low."