

Genetic diversity of KELnull and KELeL: a nationwide Austrian survey

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A novel KEL*1,3 allele with weak Kell antigen expression confirming the cis-modifier effect of KEL3

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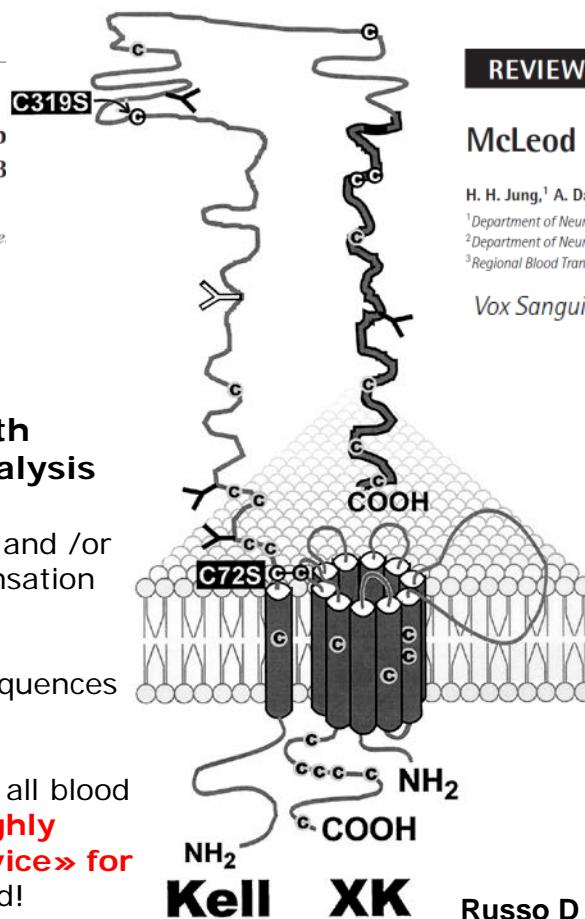
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ACADEMIC 10 to 20 results per year with need for further molecular analysis

Usually laborious, involving sequencing and / or other methods. **UNPAYABLE**. Compensation partially via academic merit.

Findings **NEED TO BE PUBLISHED**. Sequences to be deposited in data-bases!

Consequence: No lab (?) is able to cover all blood groups. Prognosis: There will be **highly specialized labs with «academic service» for certain genes**, for «all» the world!



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McLeod phenotype associated with a XK missense mutation without hematologic, neuromuscular, or cerebral involvement

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REVIEW

McLeod syndrome: a neurohaematological disorder

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Number of D-A-CH donors and donations 2006-2009-(2011)

		first time donors (FTD)	number of all donors (D)	inhabitants (Mio)	donors per 1'000 inh.	repeat rate per year	sum EC	sum TC	n Dneg of all D (17,5%)	n Dneg of all FTD (17,5%)
D Deutschland Germany	2006	0.18	2'846'415	82.3	35	1.71	4'867'408	249'035	483'891	86'990
	2007	0.18	2'978'888	82.2	36	1.63	4'868'063	278'630	506'411	93'263
	2008	0.19	2'946'183	82.0	36	1.68	4'942'220	287'853	500'851	96'898
	2009	0.20	3'143'222	81.9	38	1.58	4'966'271	288'559	534'348	109'536
A Österreich Austria	2006	0.17	354'973	8.3	43	1.38	491'605	19'808	60'345	10'164
	2007	0.16	330'797	8.3	40	1.50	495'913	28'562	56'235	9'169
	2008	0.16	338'958	8.3	41	1.47	499'609	29'082	57'623	8'983
	2009	0.14	364'788	8.4	44	1.32	480'129	30'330	62'014	8'550
CH Schweiz Switzerland	2006	0.09	240'690	7.5	32	1.44	347'684	20'032	42'121	3'621
	2007	0.11	241'063	7.6	32	1.46	353'063	21'265	42'186	4'433
	2008	0.12	253'953	7.7	33	1.41	358'903	25'626	44'442	5'220
	2009	0.12	260'377	7.8	33	1.39	363'213	26'823	45'566	5'175
BSD SRK AG Statistik	2010	0.11	233'313	7.9	30	1.61	376'360	31'776	40'830	4'470
BSD SRK AG Statistik	2011	0.13	227'945	8.0	29	1.63	371'016	33'032	39'890	5'010
Alle "D-A-CH" all "D-A-CH"	2006	0.17	3'442'078	98.1	35	1.66	5'706'697	288'875	602'364	100'774
	2007	0.18	3'550'748	98.1	36	1.61	5'717'039	328'457	621'381	106'865
	2008	0.18	3'539'094	98.0	36	1.64	5'800'732	342'561	619'341	111'102
	2009	0.19	3'768'387	98.0	38	1.54	5'809'613	345'712	659'468	123'261

2006-2009, Prof. Dr. med. Barbara Blauhut, Linz, Austria

2010-2011, BSD SRK AG, yearly statistic

Why high-throughput molecular immunohematology?

Screen donors with RARE blood groups!



... almost all human blood group polymorphisms are known: Kp, Lu, Di, Wr, Yt, Co, Kn, Do, In, LW, Sc, Jr, Lan...

Do the “dry-match” = “*in silico* cross-match”!

Applying molecular immunohematology discoveries to standards of practice in blood banks: now is the time.

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Abstract

Lessons from more than 100 years of immunohematology exemplify that many critical discoveries were made serendipitously and their more rapid implementation could have benefited transfusion recipients and pregnancies. Constituents of blood that are not essential for the attempted therapeutic benefit of a transfusion are largely removed from today's blood products. We are now moving on to avoid unnecessary exposure to potentially harmful constituents of the therapeutically required cells, like blood group antigens that are foreign to the patient. Cost efficacy needs to be kept in mind but may eventually prove much better than anticipated, once hidden benefits are captured, as we show by examples from past immunohematologic developments. Here, we detail clinical **applications for molecular immunohematology advances including "dry-matching"** that will improve transfusion outcomes and argue for their widespread implementation by rapid timelines through standards of practice.

Reasoning for molecular blood group typing



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Red cell genotyping and the future of pretransfusion testing

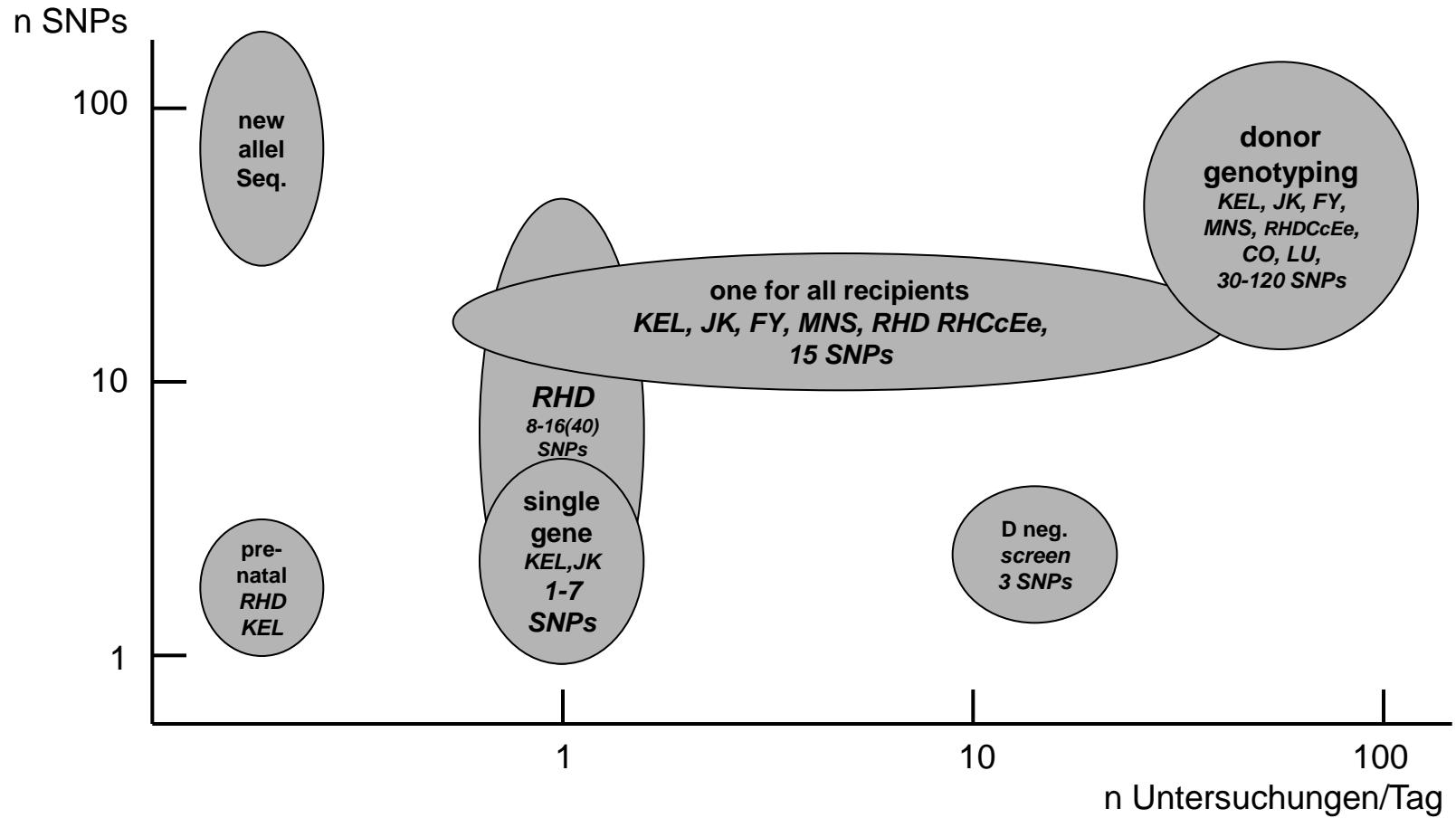
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Table 1: Useful applications of red cell genotyping in transfusion medicine

- Fetal DNA typing
- Extensive blood group typing of donors for alloimmunized patients
- Determining the blood group of a recently transfused patient
- Screening blood donors to find rare blood group phenotypes
- Determining the frequency of blood group polymorphisms in a population
- Determining *RHD* zygosity for fathers of fetuses at risk for HDFN
- Blood group typing of patients with autoimmune hemolytic anemia

Christoph Gassner:

1. Routine relevant determination of variant types of blood groups (e.g. *RHD*, *DARC*)
2. Screening RhD negatives for *RHD* (null) genes
3. "Academic" analysis of blood group phenotypes



Comercially available platforms for molecular blood group typing

platform	PCR-SSP, or ARMS	MALDI-TOF MS genotyping	Chip technology	Chip technology	Luminex technology (xMAP®)	Luminex technology (xMAP®)
product example	RBC Ready Gene	open	BLOODchip ^{ID}	BioArray BeadChip TM	BLOODchip ID LINE (xMAP®)	LIFECODES RBC-R assay
company	Inno-Train, Kronberg i.T., Germany	SEQUENOM®, San Diego, USA	Grifols, Barcelona, Spain	Immucor, Norcross, USA	Grifols, Barcelona, Spain	Gen-Probe, San Diego, USA
commercial availability since	1998	(2013)	2008	~ 2009	~ 2010	2010
relevant early citation(s)	Gassner et al 1996 ABO, Gassner et al 1997 RHD	Henk Garritsen, Transfus Med Hemother. 2009;36(3):181-187.	Avent, Fleigel, Olsson, Transfus Med Hemother. 2009;36(3):162-167.	Hashmi G, Shariff T, Transfusion. 2005 May;45(5):680-8.	Drago F, Karpasitou K, Poli F., Transfus Med Hemother. 2009;36(3):157-160.	Drago F, Karpasitou K, Poli F., Transfus Med Hemother. 2009;36(3):157-160.
performance specs						
tailoring of specificities ("unit")	RBC Ready Gene AB0, 8 rctns., 4SNPs	module RH broad panel (3 MPX)	138 genetic polymorphisms	HAE BeadChip TM	ID Core for 23 RBC antigens	RBC assay, 1 MPX, ~16 SNPs
	RBC Ready Gene CDE, 16 rctns., ~19 SNPs	module RH variant panel (2 MPX)	(including 12 SNPs for HPA)	RHCE BeadChip TM	ID Core+ for 33 RBC antigens	RBC-R assay, 1 MPX, ~14 SNPs
	RBC Ready Gene KKD, 8 rctns., 5 SNPs	module KEL, JK, FY (1 MPX)	(including ABO genotyping)	RHD BeadChip TM	ID HPA for 24 platelet antigens	.
	RBC Ready Gene MNS, 6 rctns., 4 SNPs	module MNS (2 MPX)	.	HPA BeadChip TM	.	.
	RBC Ready Gene Rare ID, 16 rctns., 8 SNPs and > 5 additional	module RARE blood group panel (2 MPX)
		module HPNA (1 MPX)
highest level of certification	CE self declared	in house validation in preparation	CE according to appendix II, list A (selected specificities)	CE according to appendix II, list A (some units)	n.a.	currently RUO, CE according to appendix II, list A in preparation
single specificity (blood group) typing possible	YES	(YES)	NO	(YES)	NO	NO
single sample testing	consists of 4 to 16 single PCR-SSPs per tailored specificity	consists of 1 to 5 MPX per module	consists of 1 MPX, analyzed on 1 individual chip	consists of 1 MPX, analyzed on 1 individual chip per tailored specificity	consists of 1 MPX, analyzed on 96-w MTP format	consists of 1 MPX, analyzed on 96-w MTP format
single sample testing (cost efficiency)	YES	NO (minimum of 96 MPX reactions in 96-w MTP format)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1 sample, 1 unit (waste of sheath fluid, only)
ideal number of samples processed per run (cost efficiency)	e.g. 12 KEL, JK, FY genotyping, each consisting of 8 PCR-SSPs, processed in 96-w MTP format	384-w MTP format: 384 MPX reactions	24 samples	n.a.	96-w MTP format: 96 MPX reactions	96-w MTP format: 96 MPX reactions
post DNA-prep	2.5 h	10 h	10 h	6 h	5 h	4.5 h
Costs						
hardware-1 description	standard Agarose gel electrophoresis	384-w MTP format Sequenom Mass Spectrometer plus 2 X 96-w robots, plus 1 spotter	detailed instrument name n.a.	n.a.	detailed instrument name n.a.	Luminex® 100/200™
hardware-1 costs (in Euro)	negligible	~ 500.000,00	~ 105.000,00	~ 110.000,00	~ 40.000,00	~ 40.000,00
consumables example 1	RBC Ready Gene KKD, 8 rctns., 5 SNPs	module KEL, JK, FY (1 MPX)	BLOODchip ^{ID}	HAE BeadChip TM	ID Core for 23 RBC antigens	RBC assay, ~16 SNPs
consumables example 2	RBC Ready Gene MNS, 6 rctns., 4 SNPs	module MNS (2 MPX)	(including 12 SNPs for HPA)	.	ID Core+ for 33 RBC antigens	RBC-R assay, ~14 SNPs
consumables example 3	RBC Ready Gene Rare ID, 16 rctns., 8 SNPs	module RARE blood group panel (2 MPX)	(including ABO genotyping)	.	ID HPA for 12 HPA antigens	.
consumables per sample and sum of examples 1-3 (in Euro)	~ 75,00 to 90,00	~ 40,00 to 50,00	~ 185,00	~ 130,00	~ 85,00 to 98,00	~ 80,00 to 100,00

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MALDI-TOF principle on Js(a+b+), KEL*01 | KEL*02

amplification primer →
GGCGCATCTCTGGTAAA

CTTGAGGCTGGCGATCTCTGGTAAATGGACTTCCTAACTTAACCGAA C GCTGAGACTTCTGATGAGTCAGTATGCCATTCCCTTCTCAGAG

CTTGAGGCTGGCGATCTCTGGTAAATGGACTTCCTAACTTAACCGAA C GCTGAGACTTCTGATGAGTCAGTATGCCATTCCCTTCTCAGAG

KEL*07/07, Js(a-b+)

← CGGTAAAGGGAAAGGAAGT
amplification primer

extension primer

TTAAACTTAACCGAA C 5'882 Dalton

CTTGAGGCTGGCGATCTCTGGTAAATGGACTTCCTAACTTAACCGAA C GCTGAGACTTCTGATGAGTCAGTATGCCATTCCCTTCTCAGAG

TTAAACTTAACCGAA T 5'898 Dalton

CTTGAGGCTGGCGATCTCTGGTAAATGGACTTCCTAACTTAACCGAA T GCTGAGACTTCTGATGAGTCAGTATGCCATTCCCTTCTCAGAG

KEL*06/07, Js(a+b+)

STEP 2: ddNTP extension

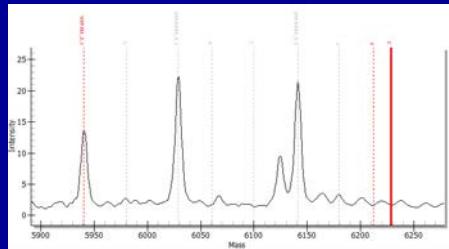
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KEL*06/06, Js(a+b-)



spectrogram of three different Js^a/Js^b (*KEL**06 | *KEL**07) DNAs



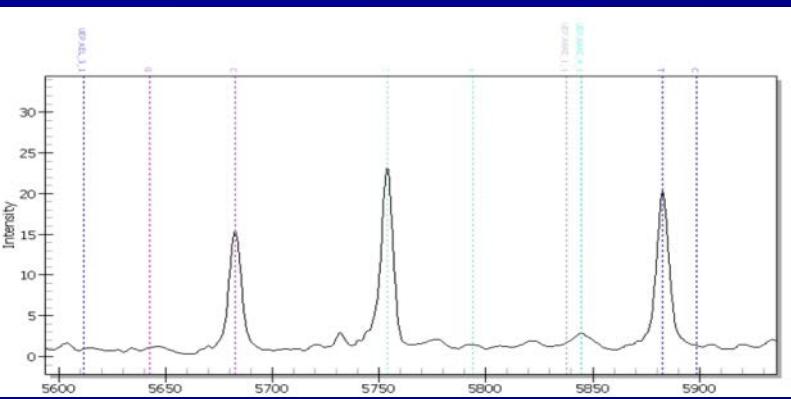
MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry
measures molecular weight (in Dalton)
of extension primers (5'612)
plus 1 extended base.

Heterozygous samples show 2 different molecular weights for those primers at about 5'882 and 5'898 Dalton (all indicated by arrow).

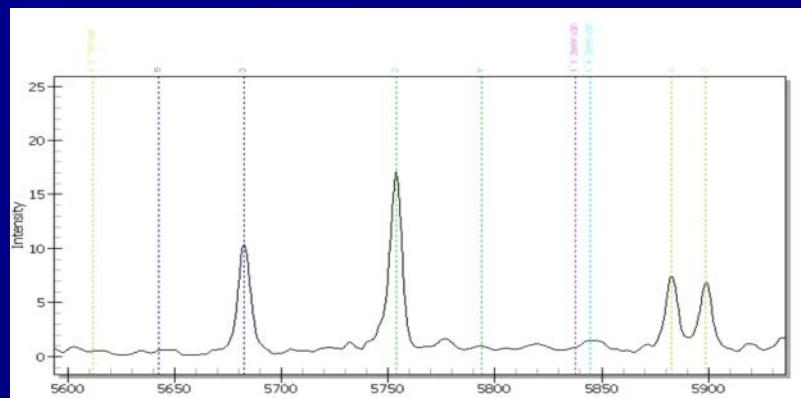
Other specific peaks are results of other bloodgroup SNPs, detected in multiplex in the same PCR.

Primer unextended
~5'612

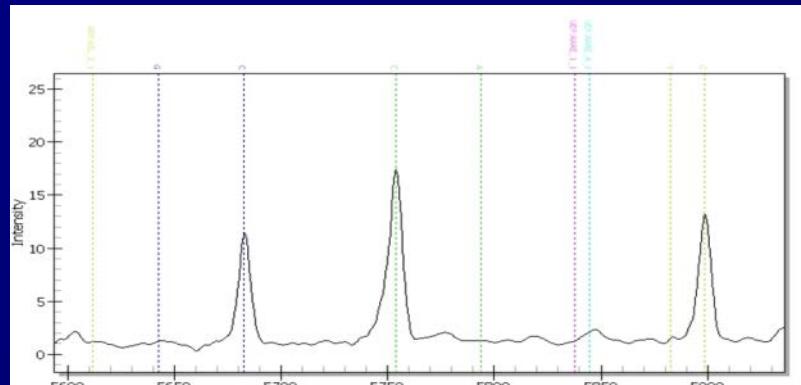
extended
~5'882 | ~5'898



Js(a+b-)
*KEL*6 | *KEL*6



Js(a+b+)
*KEL*6 | *KEL*7

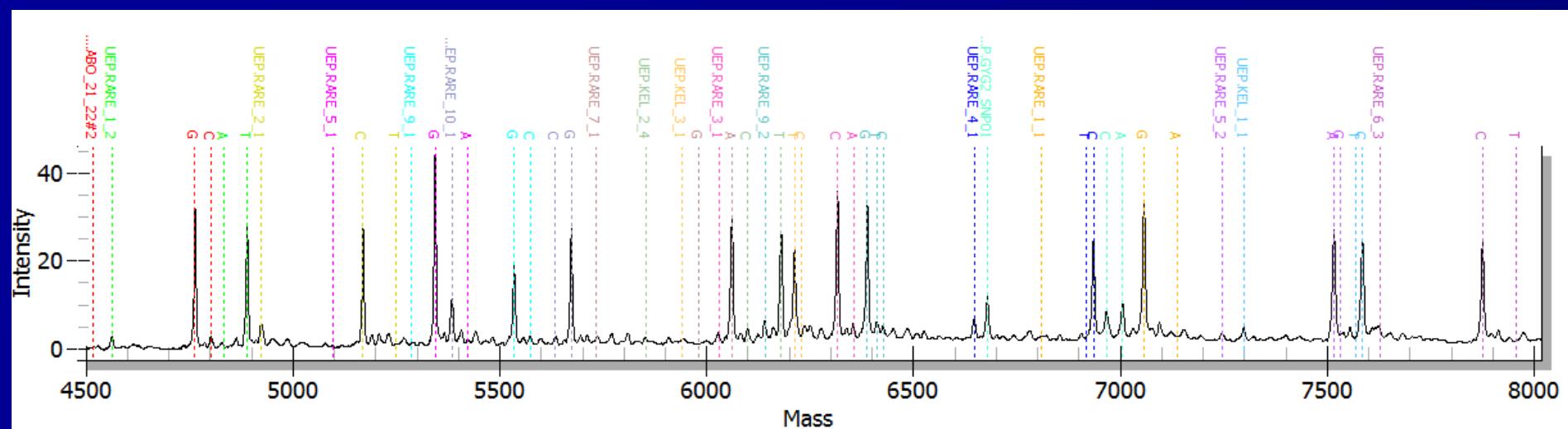


Js(a-b+)
*KEL*7 | *KEL*7



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MALDI-TOF spectrogram of a “RARE“ multiplex including 22 assays (=22 SNPs)



Kk, Kp, Suter, KEL11/17,
Lutheran, LU08/14, Auberger
Diego, Wright,
Cartwright,
Colton,
Knops, McCoy,
Dombrock, Holley, Joseph
Scianna,
Landsteiner-Wiener,
Cromer, Tc
Indian

Primer ▲ unextended ~7'298 extended ~7'569 |~7'585

... 46 antigens



Blutspende Zurich, Switzerland, Christoph Gassner

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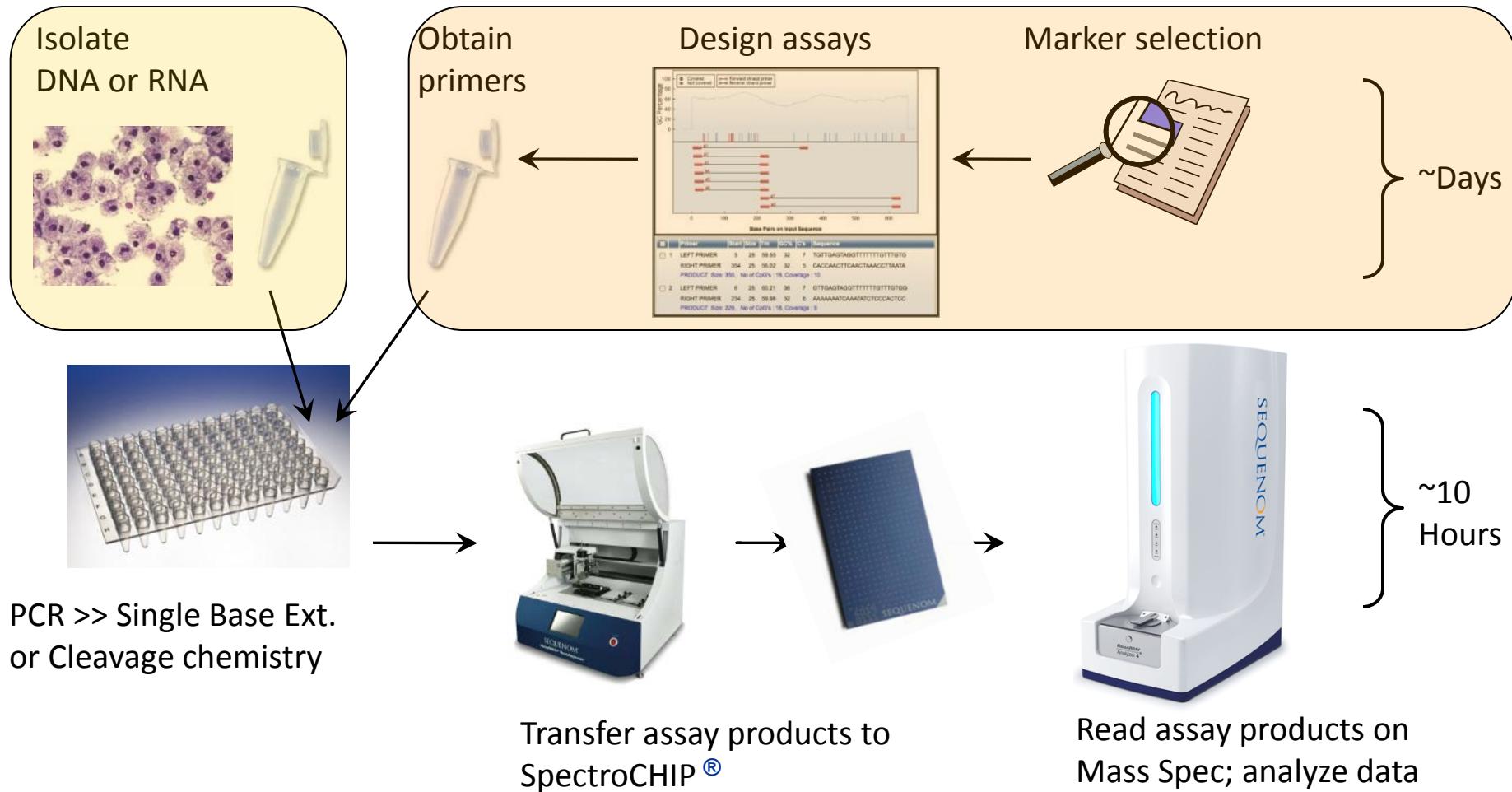
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Typical MassARRAY® Assay Workflow



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projects to come ... participants are **exemplary** and not confirmed yet

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RHDbroad** / RHCE**

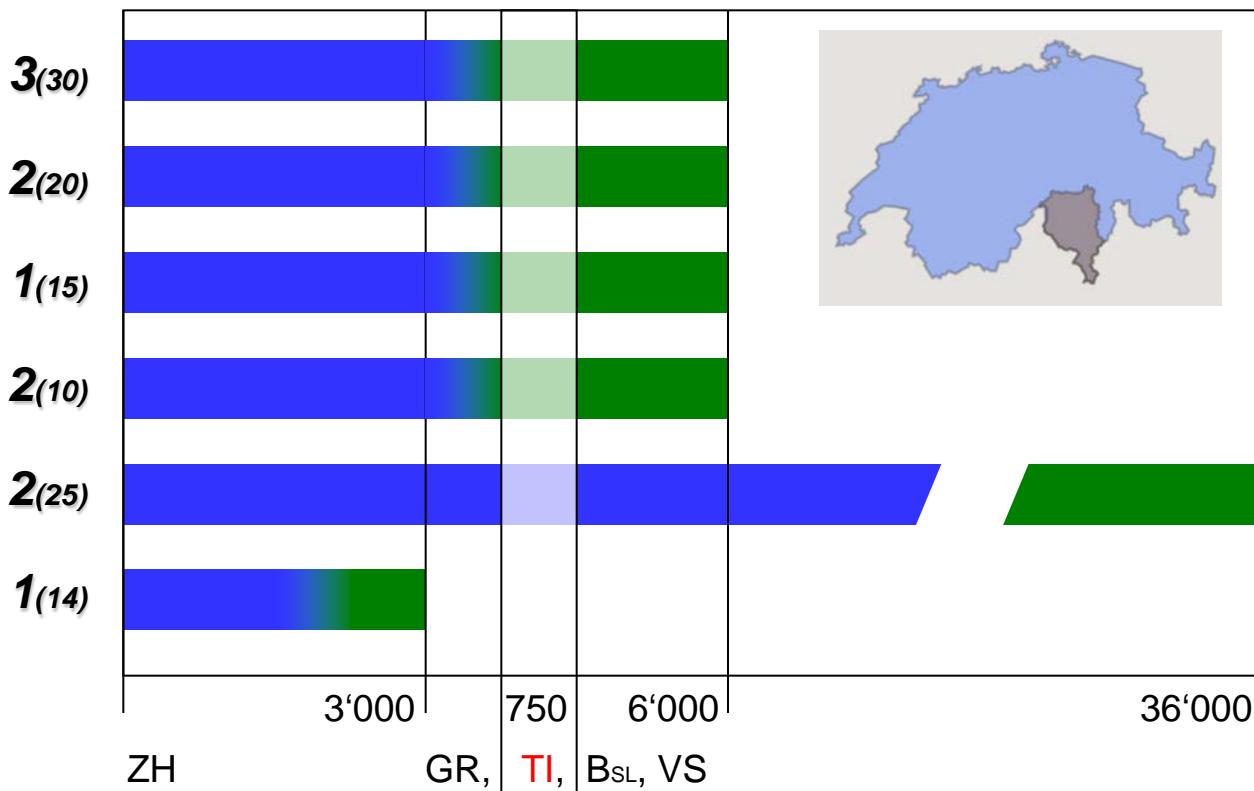
RHDhigh****

KELL-JK-FY

MNS

Public vs RARE

HPA / HNA



From 2011 for 3 years:

3'000 DNAs for **HPA/HNA**

50% (minimum) of all DNAs

36'000 DNAs for **Public vs Rare**

will be from the **canton of Zurich**.

6'000 DNAs for **RHDCE, KEL, JK, FY, MNS**

other 50% (maximum) from **other Swiss areas**.

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MALDI-TOF MS GT modules KEL-JK-FY, MNSSs, “rare“

module name	genes	positions on genes, (trivial) (allele) names, additional information	n MPX	n SNPs	n alleles	n antigens
KEL-JK-FY		K/k, Kp, Js, e.g. KEL(ISVS3+1g>a)null & 5 others, KEL(1719C>T)mod	1	15	21	19
	KEL			9	11	10
	SLC14A1	Jk, JK(IVS5-1g>a)null & 2 others, JK(582C>G)		3	6	4
	DARC	Fy, -67T>C, FYX		3	4	5
	GYG2, AMXY	cross-ID-control		2	2	0
MNSSs§	GYPA, GYPB, GYPE	currently under development	2	11	15	16
"rare antigens"			2	22	34	46
	KEL	K/k, Kp, Js, KEL11/17		4	5	8
	LU	Lu, LU8/14, Au		3	4	6
	Band 3	Di, Wr		2	3	4
	ACHE	Yt		1	2	2
	AQP1	Co		1	2	2
	CR-1	Kn, McC, SI		3	4	6
	ART4	Do, Hy, Jo		3	4	6
	ICAM4	LW		1	2	2
	ERMAP	SC		1	2	2
	DAF	Cr, Tc		2	4	6
	CD44	In		1	2	2
	GYG2, AMXY, ABO	cross-ID-control, ABO positions: 261, 802, 803		5	6	0

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MALDI-TOF MS GT modules RH, HPA-HNA

module name	genes	positions on genes, (trivial) (allele) names, additional information	n MPX	n SNPs	n alleles	n antigens
RH	RHCE, RHD		5	49	~79	28
	RHC, RHc , RHCw	122, 201, 307, i2		4	3	4
	RHE, Rhe	676 generic and on RHCE only		2	2	2
	RHD exons	-132, i1+18, 455, 514, 787, 916, 968, i7-327, 1048, 1170, 1193, 1359		12	~45	2
	RHD categories & partials	VII, DFL, DOL, DVL-2, V(697A), weak type 4.0-3, 11, 15, DNB, DAU		11	11	18
	RHD weaks	1, 1.1, 2, 3, 5, 17		6	6	0
	RHD DELs	dela147, IVS3+1g>a, IVS3+2T>A, K409K, X418L		5	5	2
	RHD nulls	W16X, Dces type 1 & 2, RHD-CE(2-9)-D 2 subtypes, RHDpsi, Y401X		9	7	0
	GYG2, AMXY, ABO	cross-ID-control, ABO positions: 261, 803		5	5	0
HPNA	e.g. ITGB3, FCGR3b, SLC44A2		1	13	25	23
	HPA	HPA-1 to 6, 15		7	14	14
	HNA	HNA-1, 3 to 5		6	9	9
	AMXY	cross-ID-control		1	2	0
		redundancy of "rare" to "KEL-JK-FY"		-3	-4	-6
		total different blood (platelet, granulocyte) groups	11	107	170	132
		total different cross-ID-controls		5	6	n.a.

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MALDI-TOF MS GT results on “rare typing“ 3.040 individuals

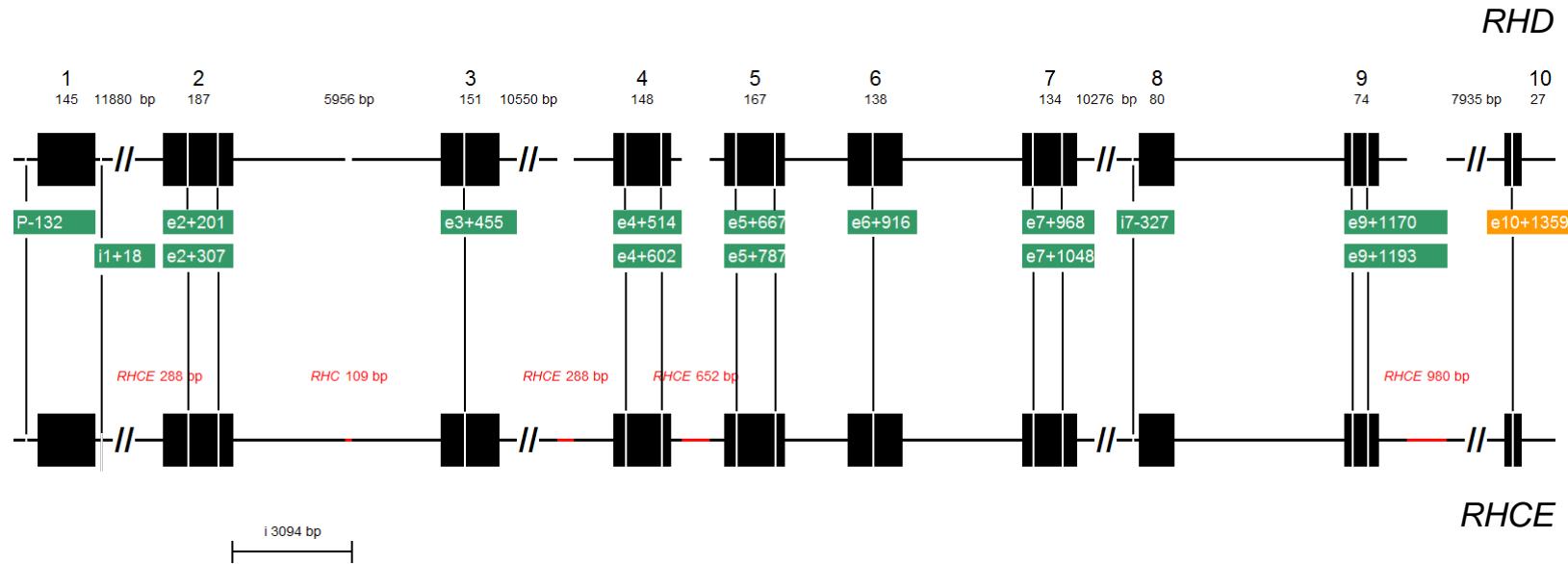
antigen	ISBT allele	observed "rare" allele frequency (%), MALDI-TOF MS	n observed "rare" homozygous carriers (in 3.040)	n expected "rare" homozygous carriers (in 3.040)	n expected "rare" homozygous carriers (in 36.000)	n expected "rare" homozygous carriers in Switzerland (8 Mio)
K	<i>KEL*01</i>	0.0395	4	4.7	56	
Kp ^a	<i>KEL*02.03</i>	0.0107	1	0.3	4	
Js ^a	<i>KEL*02.06</i>	0.0008	0	0.0	0	5.5
KEL17	<i>KEL*02.17</i>	0.0013	0	0.0	0	14.2
Lu ^a	<i>LU*01</i>	0.0370	5	4.1	49	
LU14	<i>LU*02.14</i>	0.0093	2	0.3	3	
LU19	<i>LU*02.19</i>	0.3182	313	303.9	3646	
Di ^a	<i>DI*01</i>	0.0002	0	0.0	0	0.2
Wr ^a	<i>DI*02.03</i>	0.0003	0	0.0	0	0.9
Yt ^b	<i>YT*02</i>	0.0648	14	12.6	151	
Co ^b	<i>CO*02</i>	0.0333	2	3.3	40	
Kn ^b	<i>KN*02</i>	0.0283	5	2.4	29	
McC ^b	<i>KN*01.06</i>	0.0003	0	0.0	0	0.9
Vil	<i>KN*01.07</i>	0.0018	0	0.0	0	26.7
Do ^a	<i>DO*01</i>	0.4061	487	495.8	5936	
Hy neg	<i>DO*02.–04</i>	0.0007	0	0.0	0	3.5
Jo ^a neg	<i>DO*01.–05</i>	0.0000	0	0.0	0	0.0
LW ^b	<i>LW*07</i>	0.0040	0	0.0	1	
SC:2	<i>SC*02</i>	0.0000	0	0.0	0	0.0
Cr ^a neg	<i>CROM*–01</i>	0.0002	0	0.0	0	0.2
Tc ^b	<i>CROM*01.03</i>	0.0002	0	0.0	0	0.2
Tc ^c	<i>CROM*01.04</i>	0.0008	0	0.0	0	5.6
In ^a	<i>IN*01</i>	0.0000	0	0.0	0	0.0

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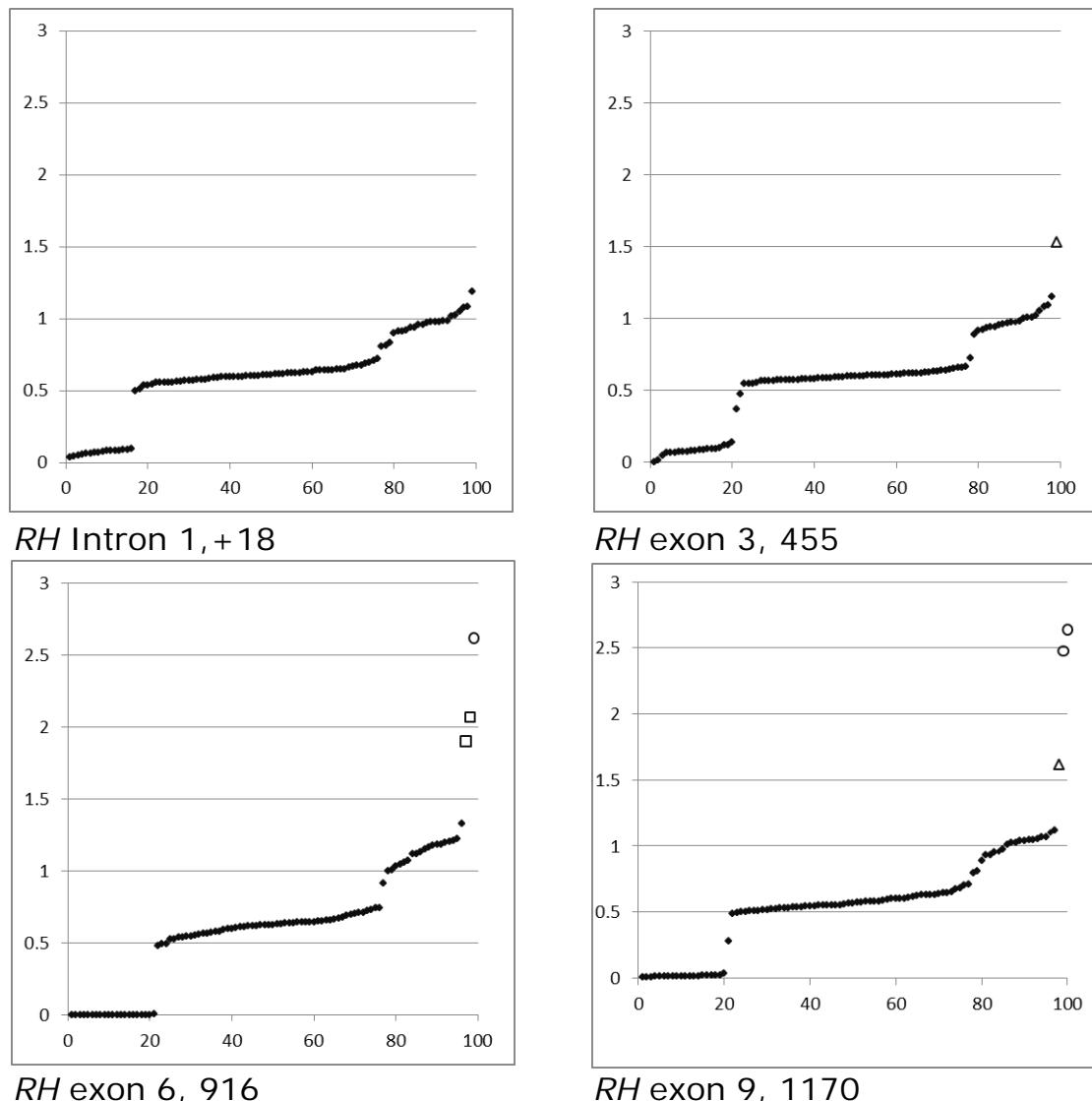
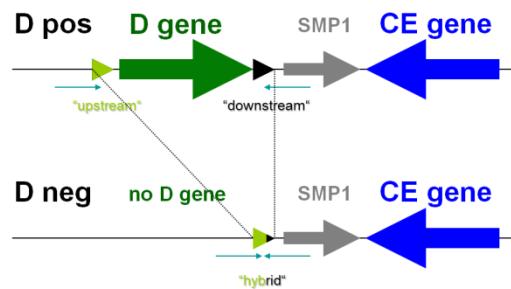
MALDI-TOF MS results on HPA/HNA typing 1.520 individuals

group system	allele	allele-frequency MALDI-TOF MS	allele-frequency Switzerland	allele-frequency Austria	allele-frequency Germany
HPA	1b	0.147	0.191	0.148	0.161
	2b	0.090	0.109	0.082	0.090
	3b	0.334	0.407	0.388	0.414
	4b	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	5b	0.106	0.066	0.108	0.083
	15b	0.490	n.a.	0.500	n.a.
HNA	1b	0.621	n.a.	n.a.	0.601
	1c	0.033	n.a.	n.a.	0.008
	3b	0.207	n.a.	n.a.	0.256
	4b	0.117	n.a.	n.a.	0.092
	5b	0.276	n.a.	n.a.	0.269

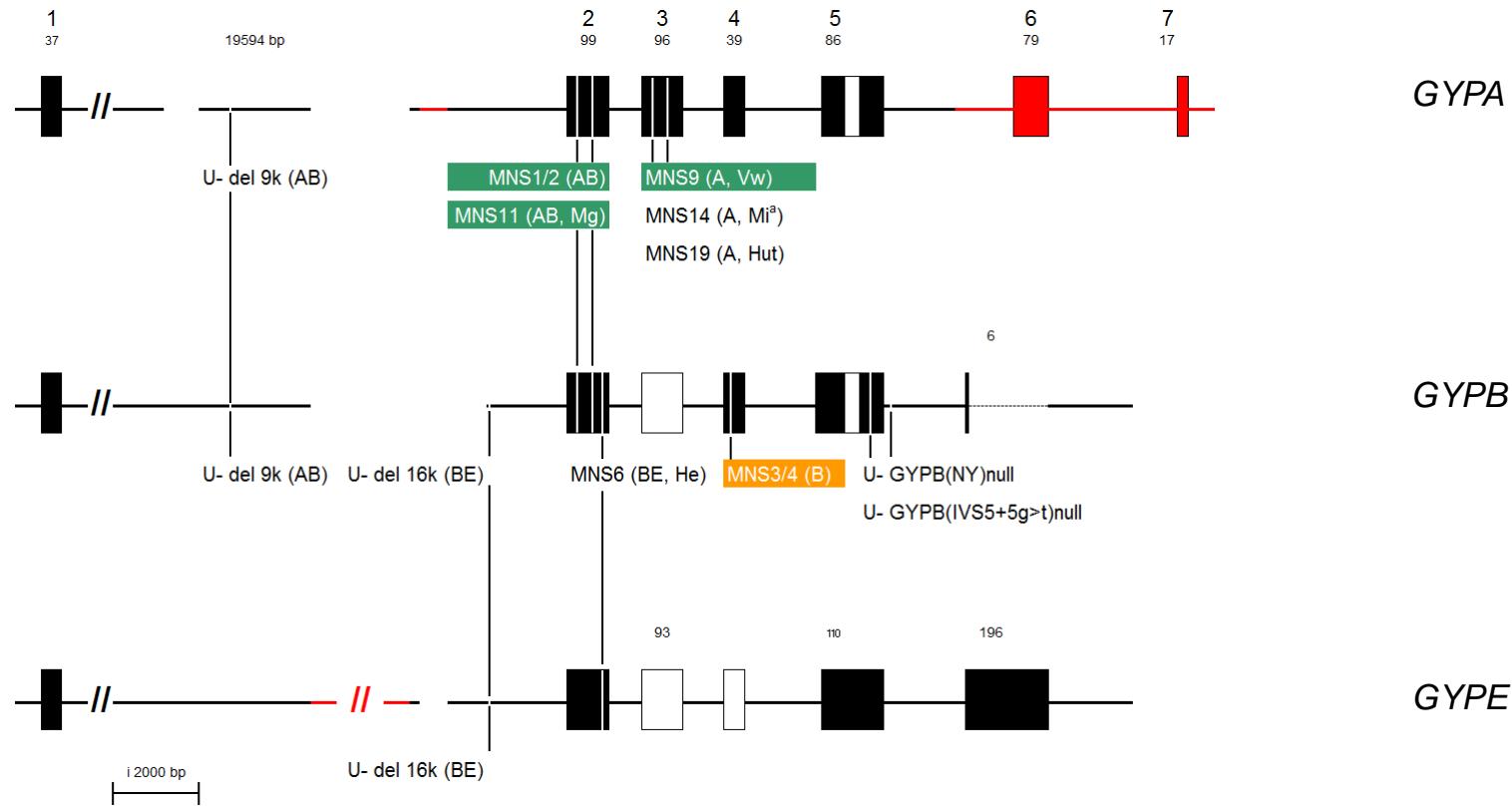
Specificities: *RHD*: zygosity is detectable...



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MALDI-TOF MS GT results on *RHD* zygosity



Specificities: MNS, prototype 2



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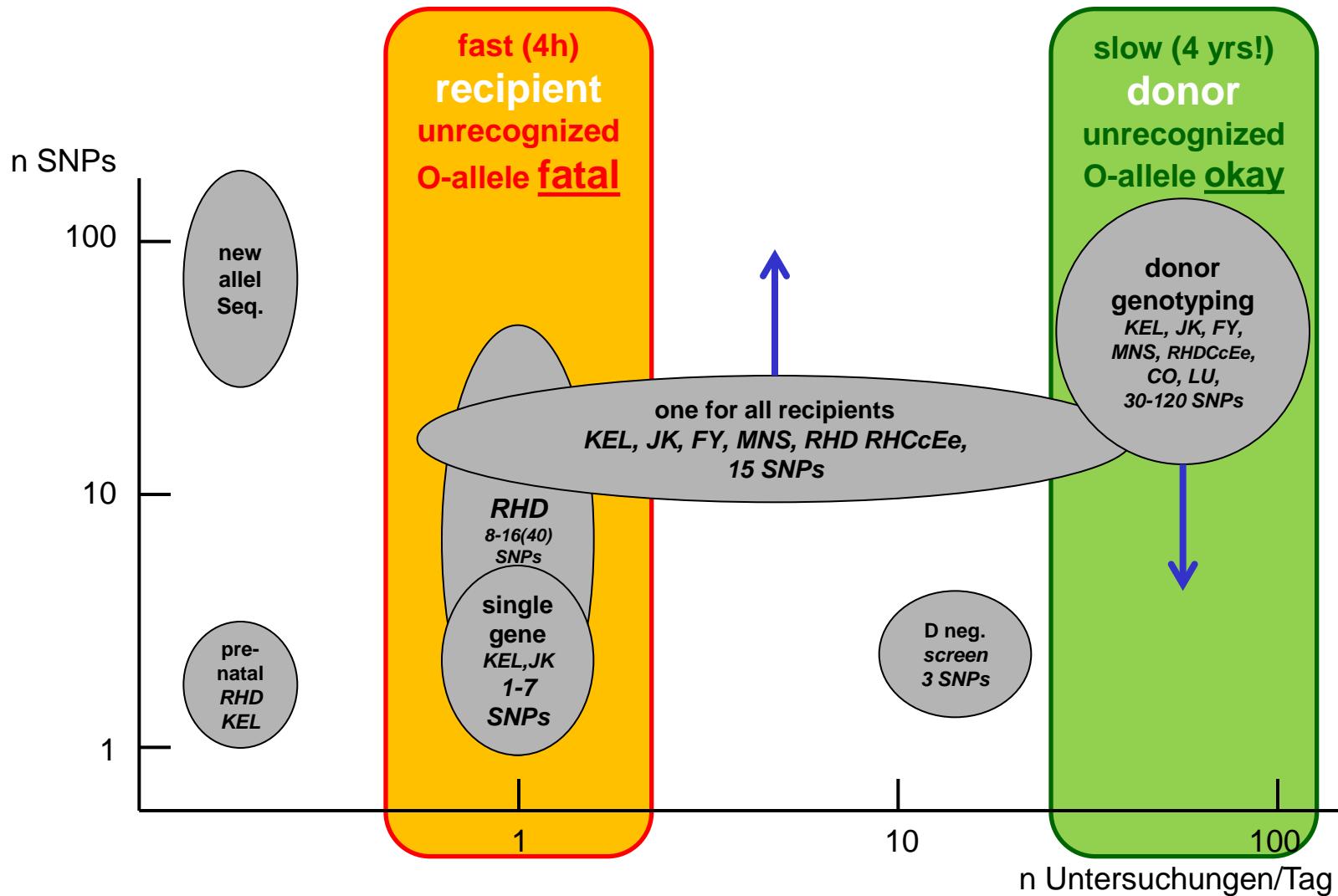
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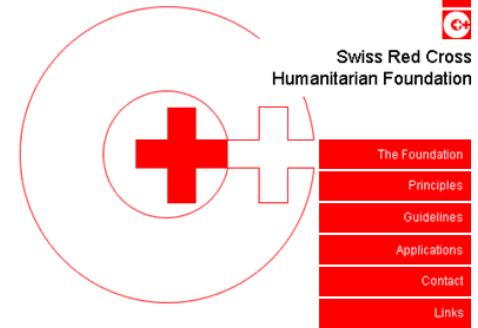


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