

**FARMACOGENETICA:
verso la personalizzazione
della terapia**

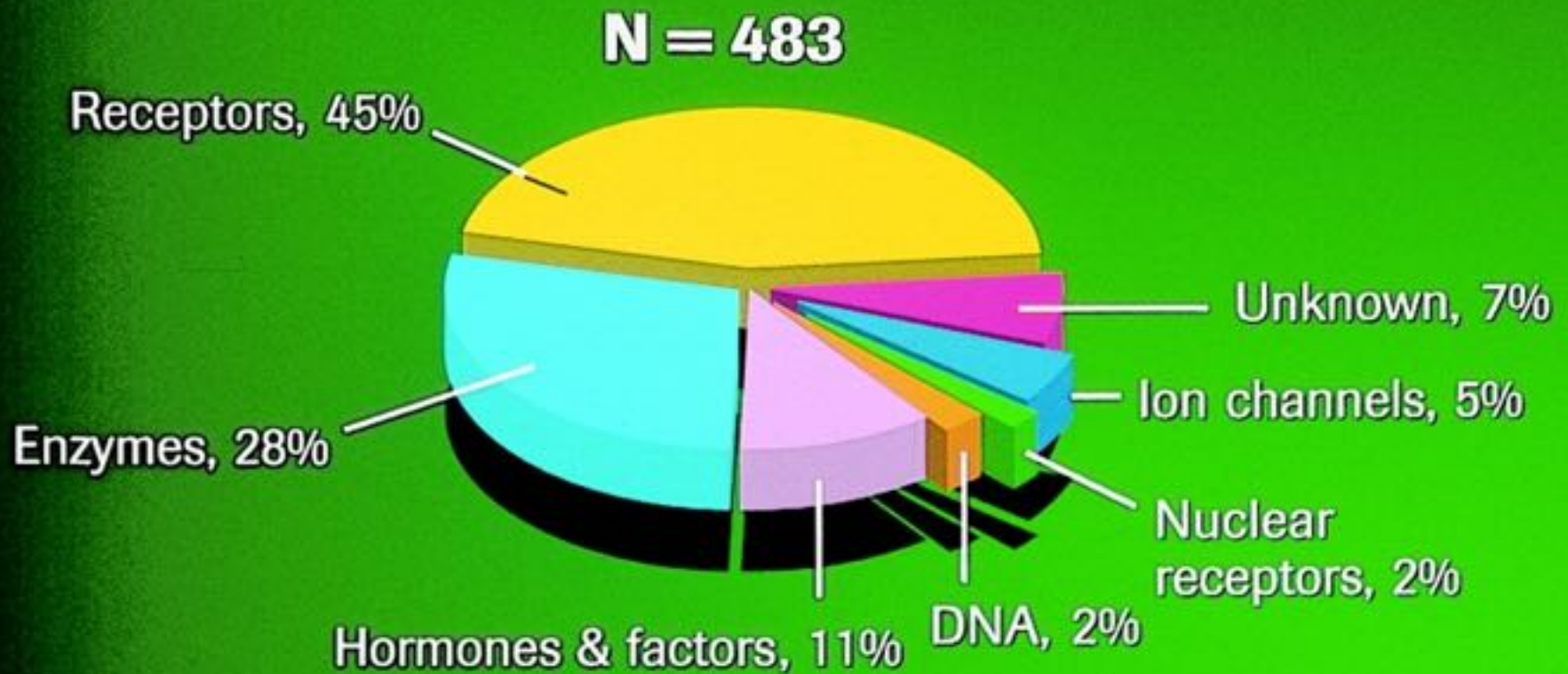
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Biochemical Classes of Drug Targets of Current Therapies



Le reazioni avverse ai farmaci

**(ADR=ADVERSE DRUG
REACTION)**

**costituiscono la quarta causa
di morte negli Usa**

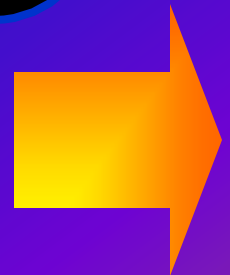
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i tumori e l'ictus**

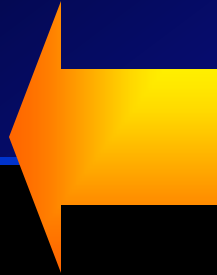
LAZAROU J. *et al.* JAMA (1998) 279: 1200-5



La maggior parte di queste imprevedibili morti è dovuta a **variabilità individuale** nelle risposte ai farmaci

L'aspetto speculare di questa variabilità è *la mancata efficacia di un determinato trattamento farmacologico* con esposizione del paziente ai soli effetti collaterali o tossici del trattamento stesso





**senza alcun beneficio
terapeutico**

Il 90% degli individui con più di 65 anni di età assume almeno un farmaco al giorno

Molti anziani assumono più farmaci contemporaneamente, aumentando le probabilità di reazioni avverse, interazioni tra farmaci e interazioni sfavorevoli tra farmaci e patologie.

La frequenza delle reazioni avverse negli anziani oscilla nei diversi studi tra il 10 e il 35%

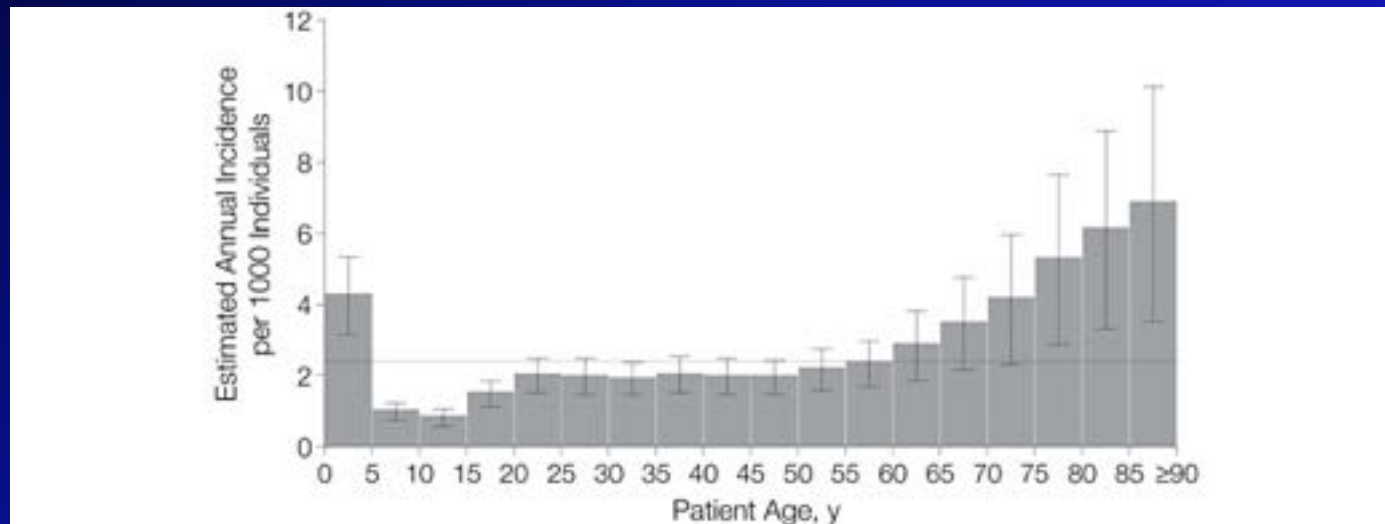
Higashi T et al. Ann.Int.Med. (2004)140:714-20

**National Surveillance of Emergency Department Visits for
Outpatient Adverse Drug Events**

Daniel S. Budnitz, MD, MPH; Daniel A. Pollock, MD; Kelly N.
Weidenbach, MPH; Aaron B. Mendelsohn, PhD, MPH; Thomas J.
Schroeder, MS; Joseph L. Annest, PhD

JAMA. 2006;296:1858-1866.

Estimated Annual Incidence of Adverse Drug Events Treated in US Emergency Departments



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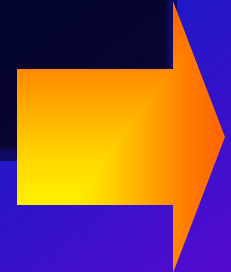
Condition	Adverse Drug Events	
	Cases, No.	Annual Estimate, No. (%) [*]
Dermatologic	5323	184 208 (26.3)
Gastrointestinal	2865	99 944 (14.2)
Neurological	2829	97 699 (13.9)
Metabolic/endocrine	1999	73 533 (10.5)
Bleeding/coagulation dysfunction	1800	68 545 (9.8)
Altered mental status	1898	68 075 (9.7)
Facial edema	1636	55 079 (7.9)
Respiratory	1557	54 089 (7.7)
Syncope/dizziness	1542	53 610 (7.6)
Cardiovascular	996	35 884 (5.1)
Psychological	859	29 048 (4.1)
Musculoskeletal	714	22 772 (3.2)
Injection site injury	552	16 274 (2.3)
Renal/genitourinary	417	17 101 (2.4)†
Peripheral edema	425	15 368 (2.2)
Ophthalmologic	413	14 013 (2.0)
Nonspecific symptoms	433	11 760 (1.7)
Infectious	306	10 346 (1.5)†
Otologic	92	3209 (0.5)
Exposure without adverse effect at time of evaluation	2035	50 031 (7.1)
Unspecified overdose/toxicity	1091	32 065 (4.6)
Unspecified or generalized allergic reaction	657	16 096 (2.3)
Unspecified effect	242	6621 (0.9)

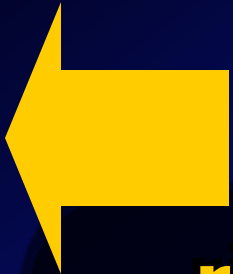
^{*}Conditions were not mutually exclusive; therefore, percentages may total >100%.

†Estimates with coefficient of variation >30%: renal/genitourinary conditions, 33.4% and infectious, 32.6%.

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**La variabilità individuale
nelle risposte ai farmaci
ha *basi genetiche***





**risiede in *differenze di sequenza*
esistenti a carico dei geni
codificanti per le proteine
coinvolte nella risposta
ad un determinato trattamento
farmacologico**

**Che cosa è la
Farmacogenetica?**

La FARMACOGENETICA
è la disciplina che studia le
basi genetiche
della risposta individuale
ai farmaci

EMEA/CPMP 3070/01

Position paper on terminology in pharmacogenetics

Londra, 21 novembre 2002

“La Farmacogenetica si occupa di studiare le variazioni inter-individuali nella sequenza del DNA in relazione alla risposta ai farmaci.”

**I geni che influenzano la risposta
ad un determinato trattamento
farmacologico possono essere
distinti in due grandi classi**

2

→ **Geni codificanti per il bersaglio terapeutico primario, come per esempio recettori o enzimi**

→ **Geni codificanti per proteine coinvolte nell'assorbimento, metabolismo ed escrezione del farmaco**

**I geni che influenzano la risposta
ai farmaci possono presentare
varianti alleliche nella popolazione,
cioè, in altri termini, essere
*polimorfici***

**Tali polimorfismi sono spesso
a carico di singole basi e vengono
pertanto definiti **SNP****

**Single Nucleotide
Polymorphisms**

What is an SNP?

Different people can have a different nucleotide or base at a given location on a chromosome

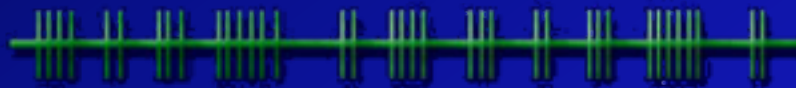
What is an SNP map?

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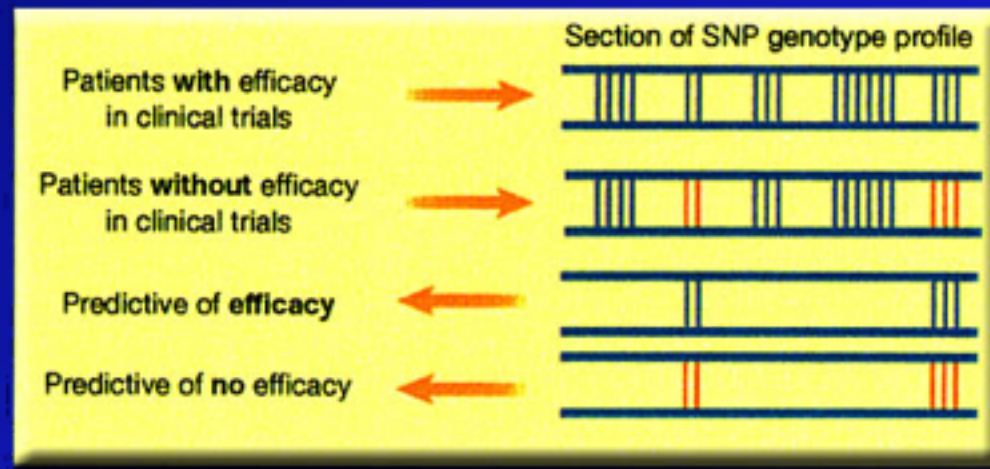


Location of SNPs
on human DNA

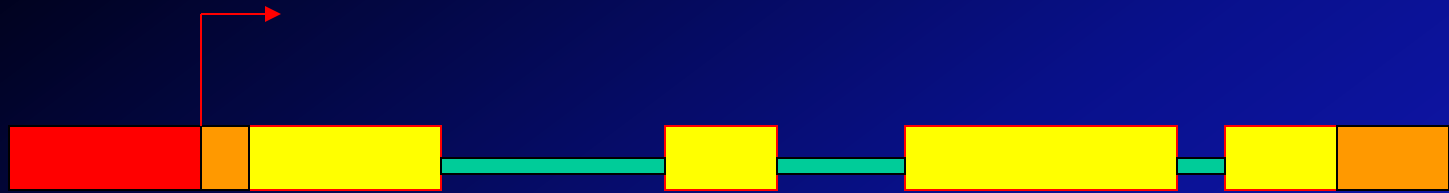


Human
DNA

How can an SNP map be used to predict medicine response?



**Si definiscono polimorfici
tutti quegli alleli (o loci)
che sono presenti almeno
nell'1% della popolazione**



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codon

TRASCRIZIONE

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SPLICING

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TRADUZIONE



Gli *SNPs*

**vengono classificati
in 3 distinte categorie**

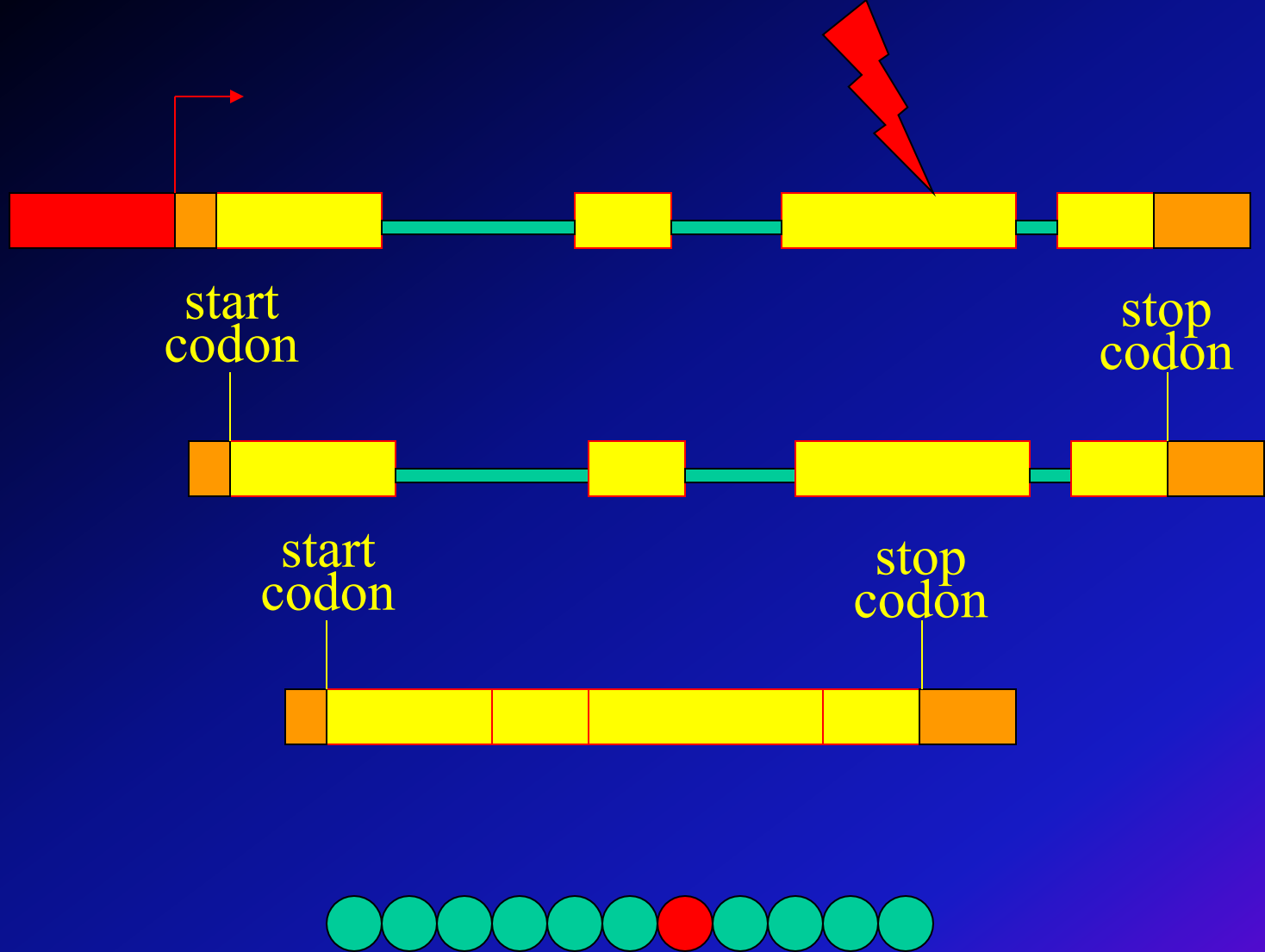
SNP delle regioni codificanti (cSNP).

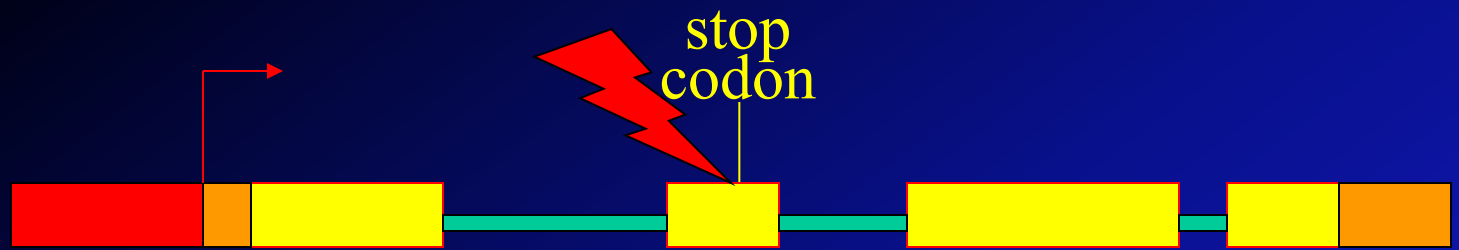
SNP perigenici (pSNP) che interessano le regioni regolatorie al 5', le regioni specificanti i 5' e 3' non tradotti del mRNA, gli introni.

SNP che si trovano random (rSNP) nelle regioni intergeniche.

cSNP_s

**POLIMORFISMI A SINGOLO
NUCLEOTIDE
DELLE REGIONI CODIFICANTI**





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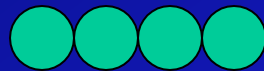
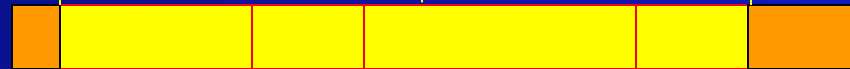
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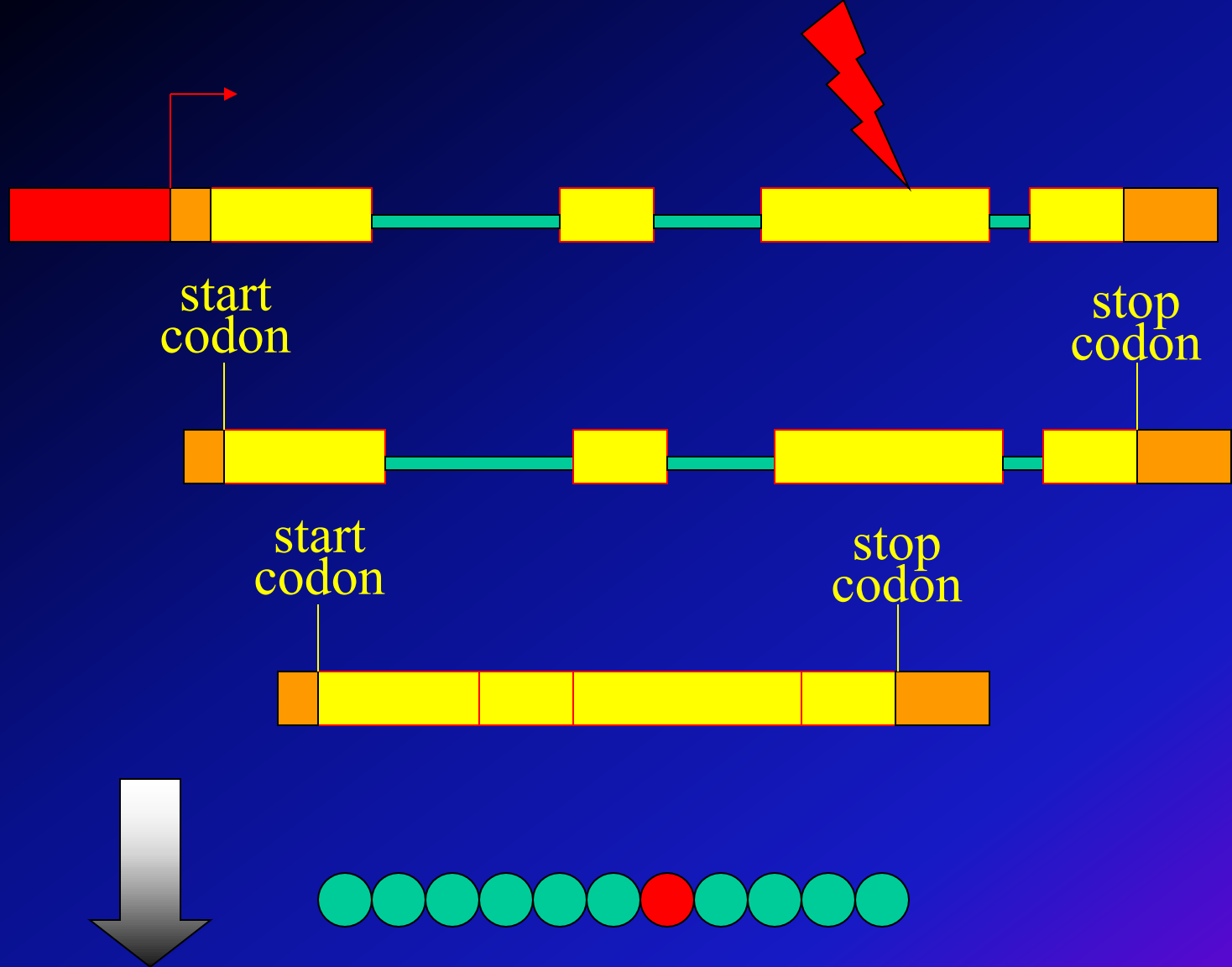


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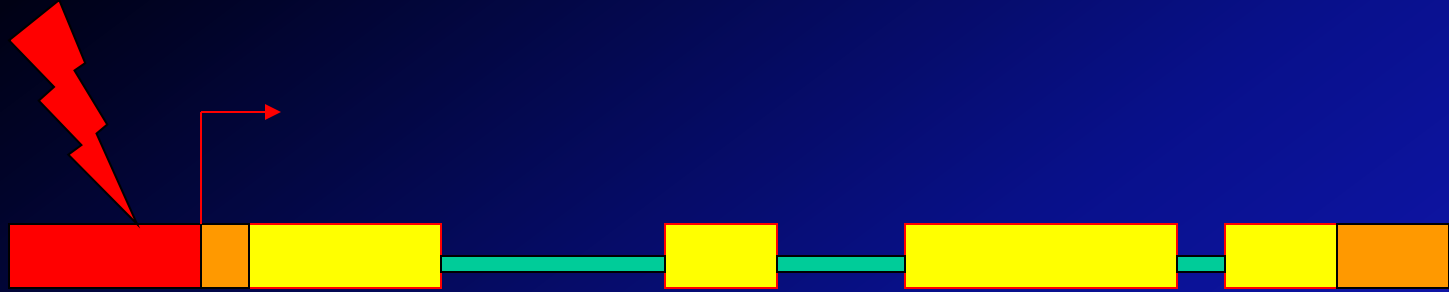
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pSNPs

**POLIMORFISMI A SINGOLO
NUCLEOTIDE
DELLE REGIONI PERIGENICHE**



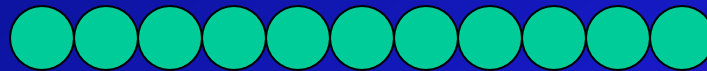
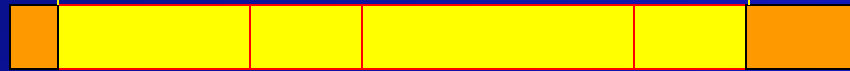
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Si ritiene che in media vi siano 4 cSNP per gene; se si assume che nel genoma umano vi siano 30.000 geni, si stima che vi possano essere tra i 120.000 e i 200.000 cSNP che, con altri appropriati calcoli, si traducono nel fatto che un individuo-tipo è eterozigote per circa 30.000 aminoacidi

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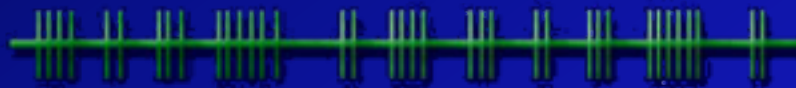
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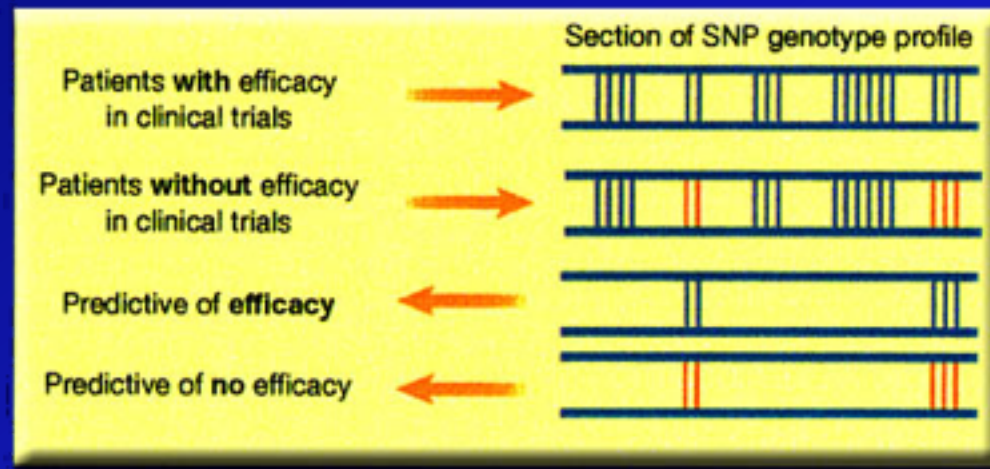


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How can an SNP map be used to predict medicine response?



**Polimorfismi in enzimi
responsabili
del metabolismo dei farmaci**

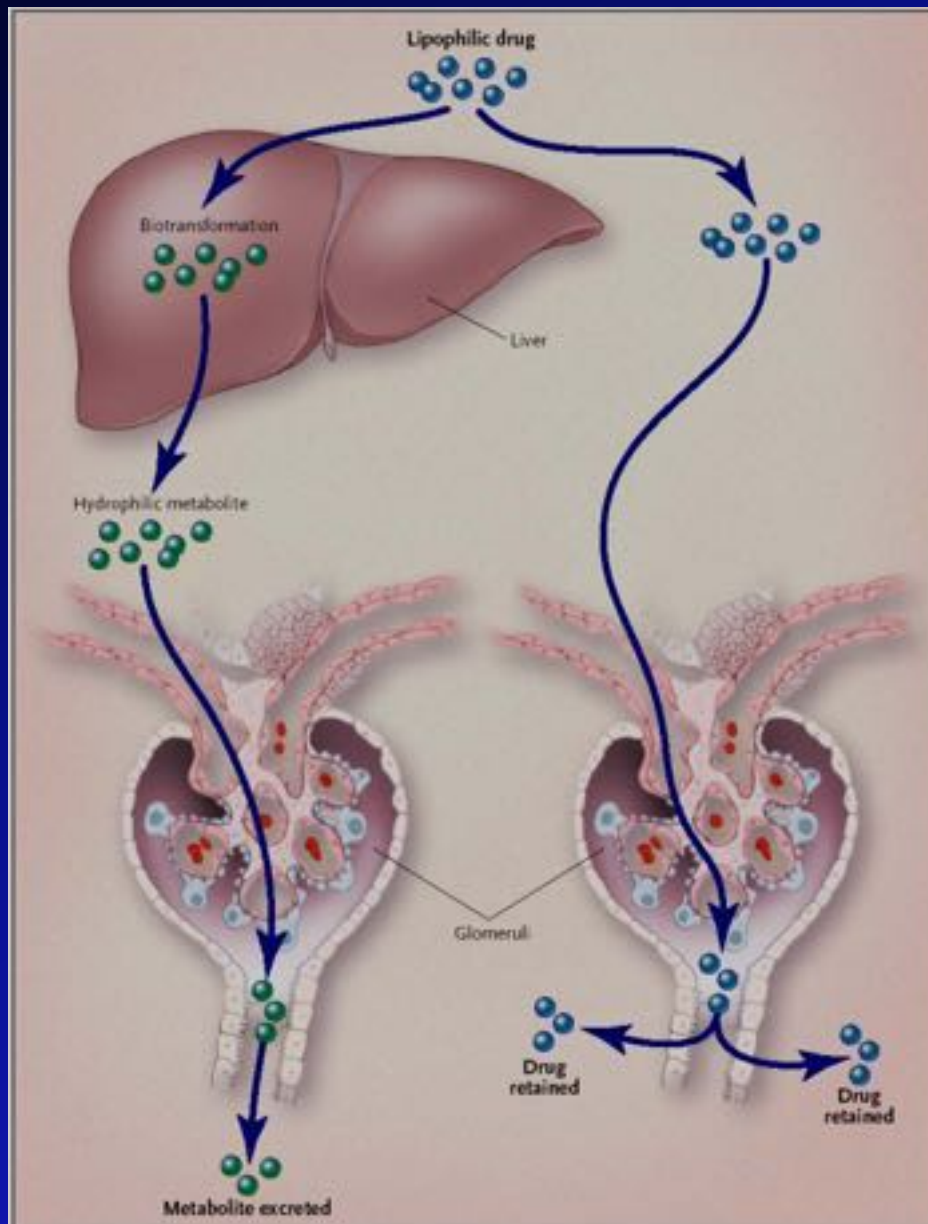
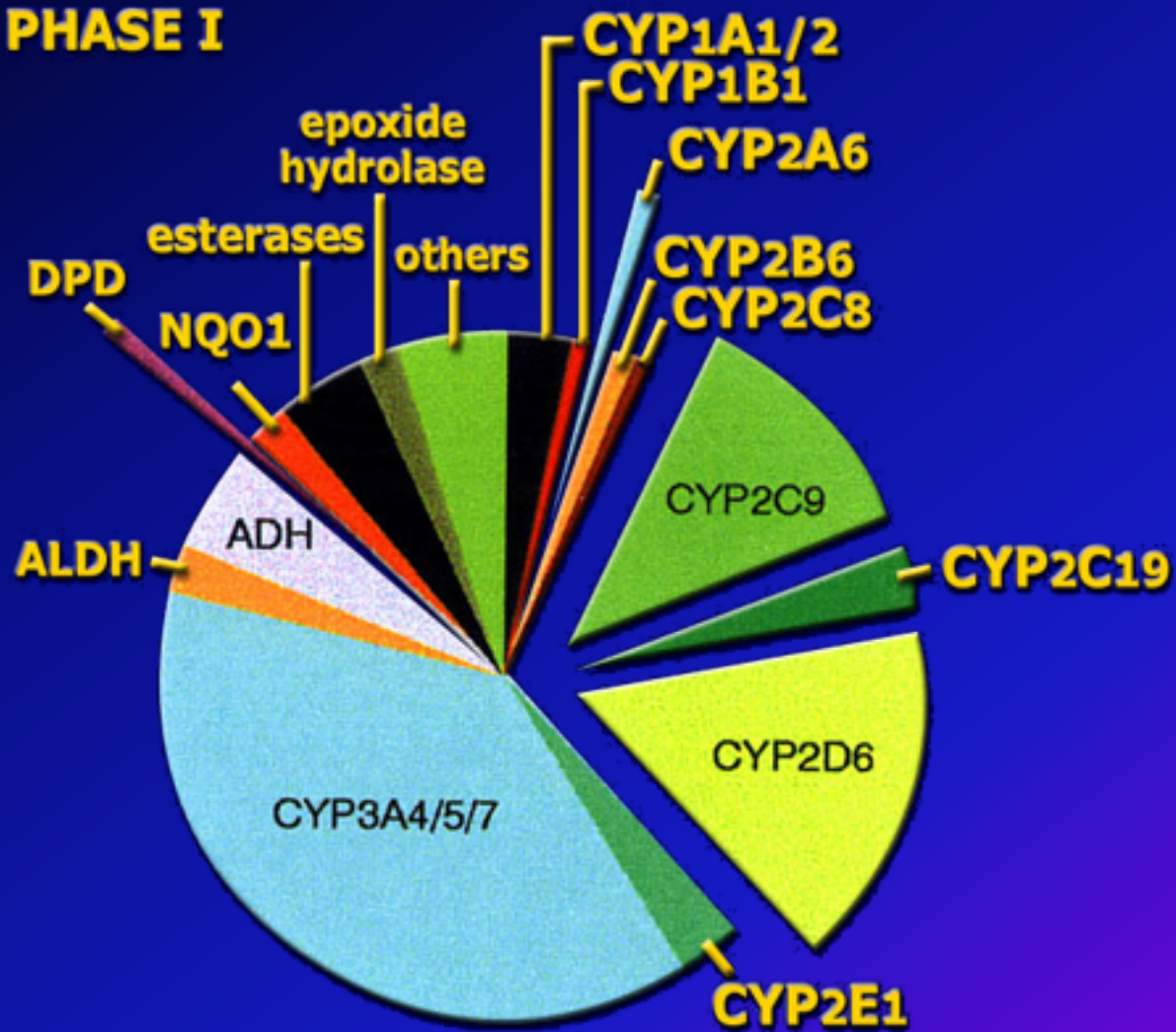


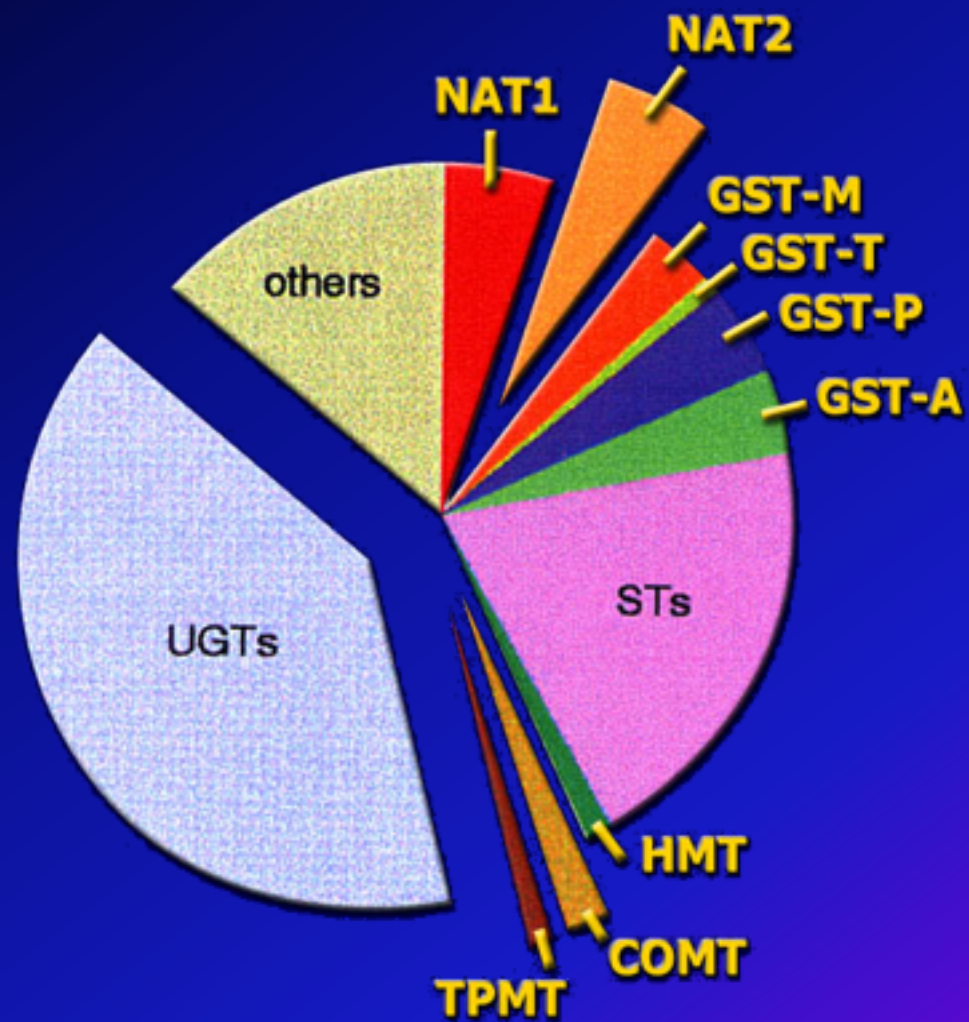
Figure 1. The Effect of Drug Metabolism on Excretion.

Lipophilic (or fat-soluble) drugs are metabolized to form relatively more hydrophilic (or water-soluble) metabolites than the parent drug, and these metabolites are thus more easily excreted.

PHASE I



PHASE II



**Schema dei principali
meccanismi molecolari
che possono causare
un alterato metabolismo
dei farmaci nell'uomo**

Deleted gene



**No
enzyme**



**No
metabolism**

CYPD*4, *5

Single gene



mRNA-AAAA



**Unstable
enzyme**

**Normal
enzyme**

**Altered substrate
specificity**



**Reduced
metabolism**

**Normal
metabolism**

**Other metabolites
possibly formed**

CYP2C9*3

**Duplicated or
multiduplicated genes**



**mRNA-AAAA
mRNA-AAAA
mRNA-AAAA**



**Higher
enzyme levels**

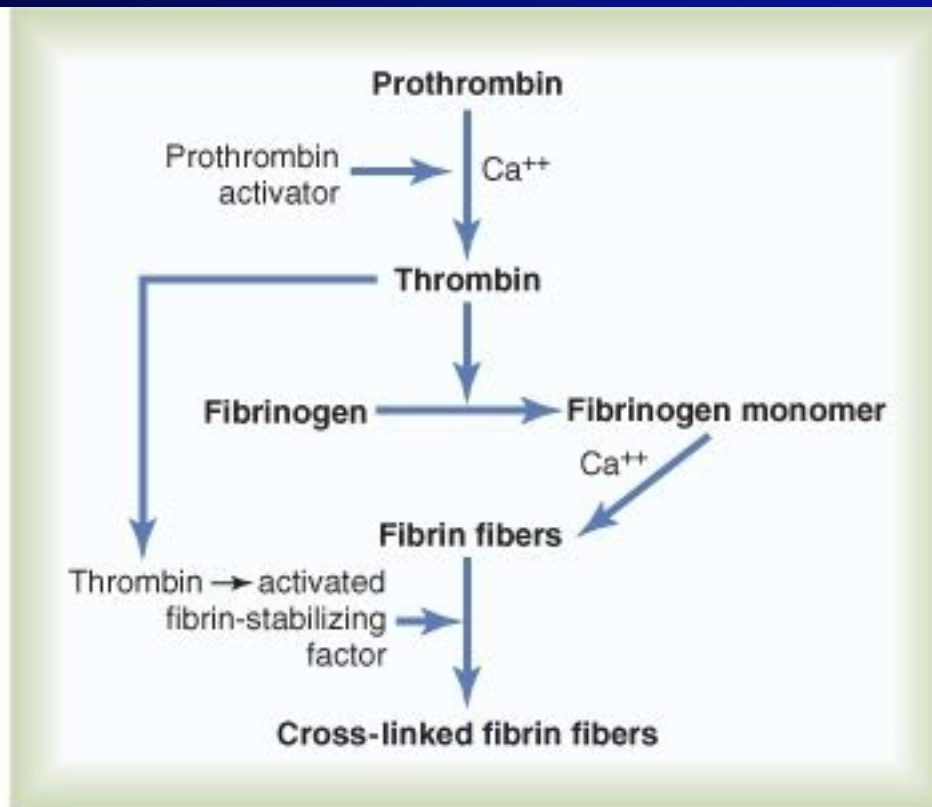


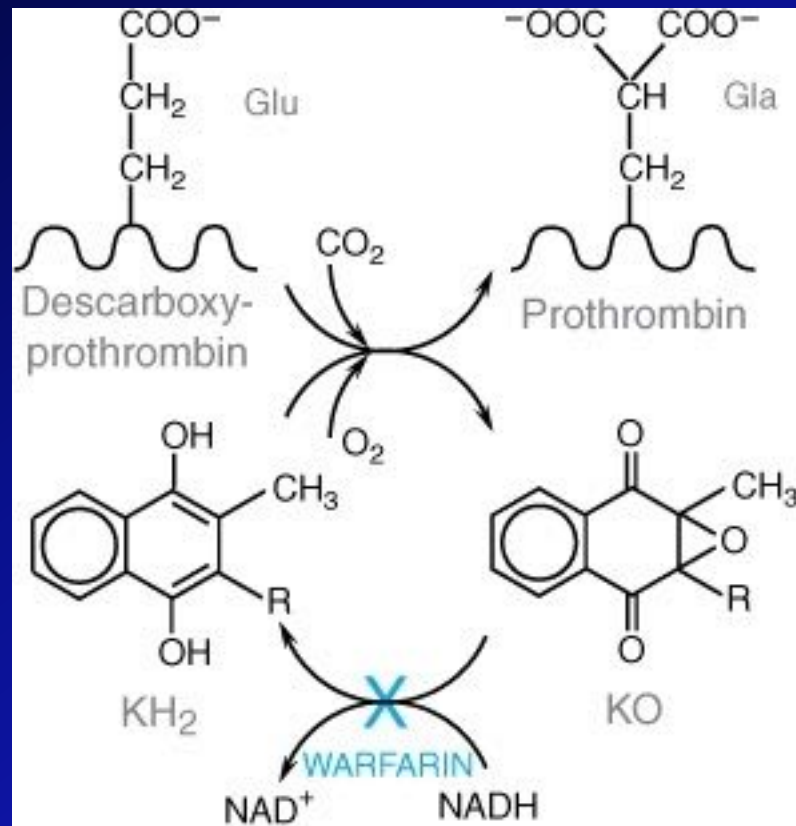
**Increased
metabolism**

CYP2D6*2xN

**Effetti dei polimorfismi
del citocromo P450
nel trattamento
farmacologico di
“poor metabolizers”**

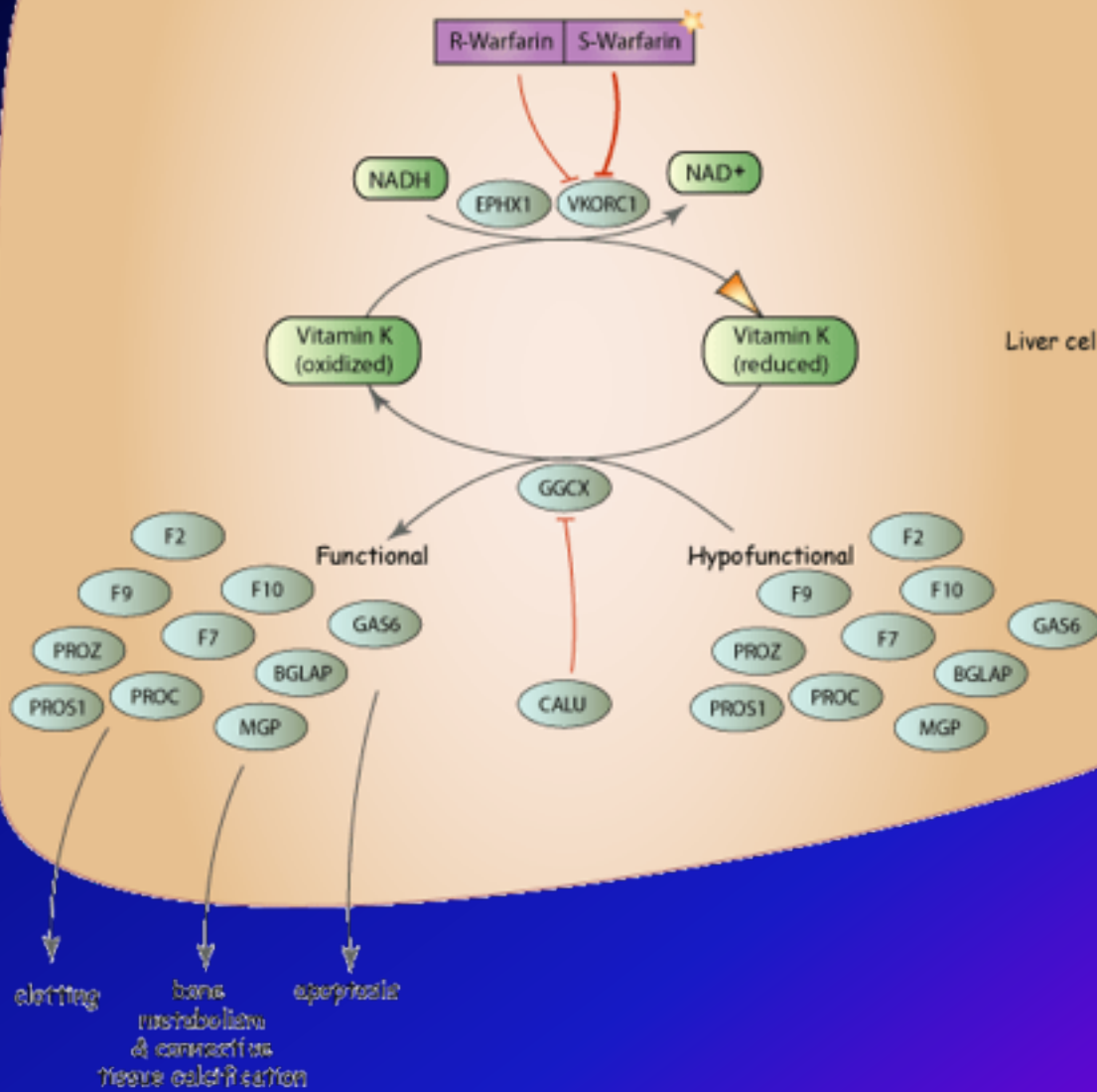
Polymorphic enzyme	Decreased clearance	Adverse effects	Reduced prodrug activation
CYP2C9	S-Warfarin	Bleeding	Losartan
	Phenytoin	Ataxia	
	Losartan		
	Tolbutamide	Hypoglycaemia	
	NSAIDs	GI-bleeding(?)	
CYP2C19	Omeprazole		Proguanil
	Diazepam	Sedation	

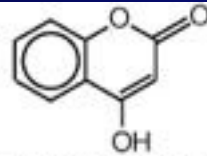




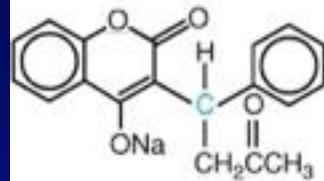
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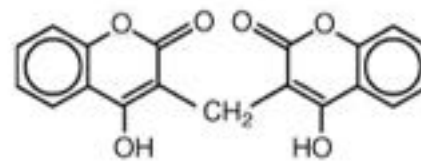




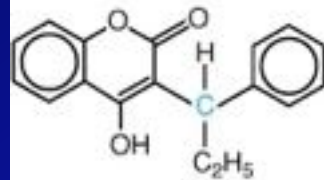
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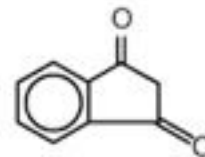
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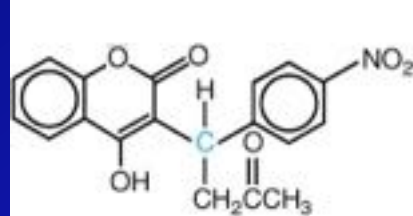
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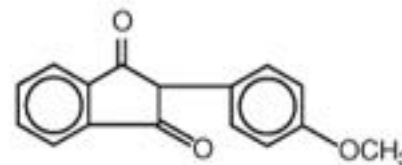
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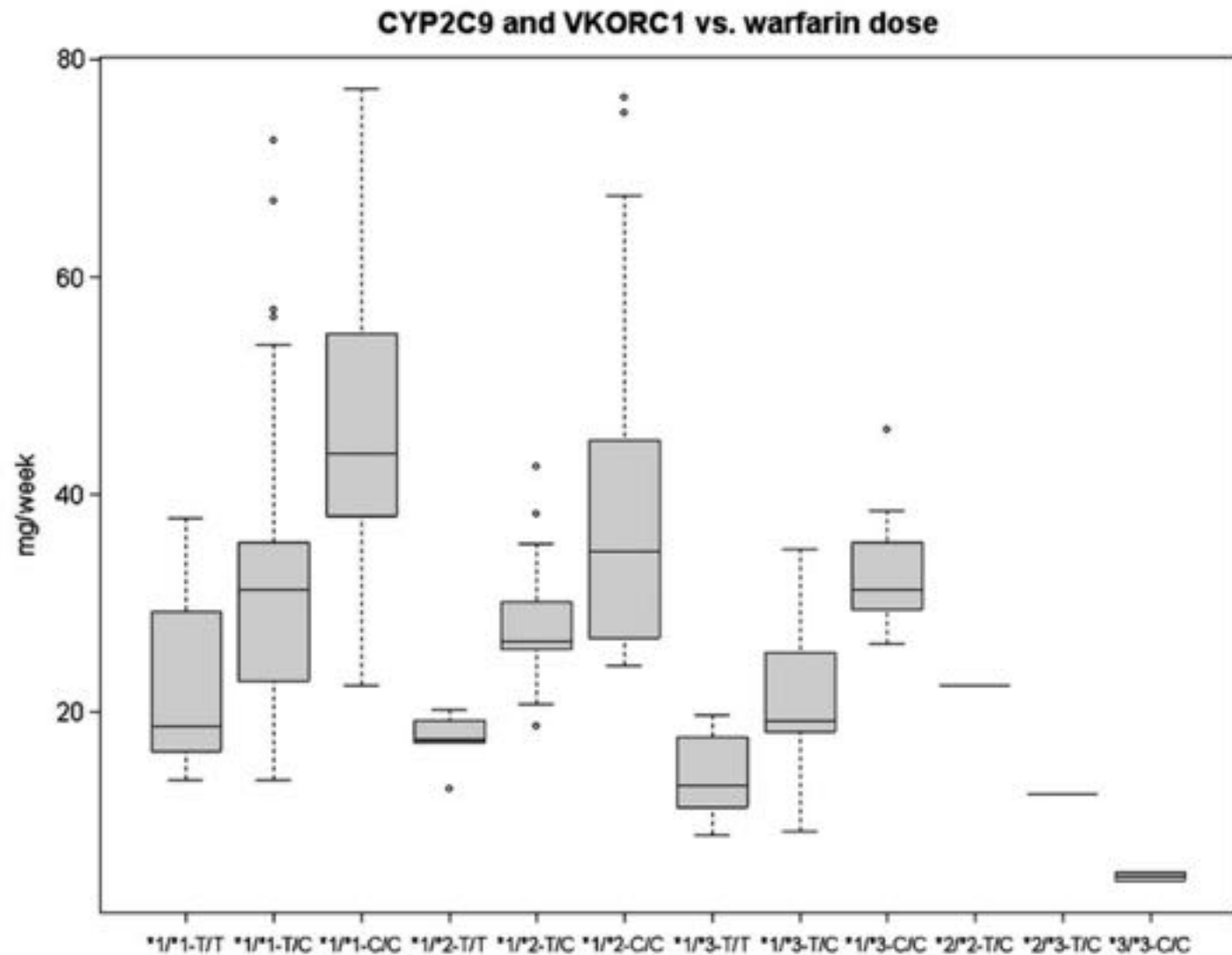
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Acenocoumarol



Anisindione



Wadelius et al., The Pharmacogenomics Journal; 2005

Number of Cases and Annual Estimate of Drugs Most Commonly Implicated in Adverse Events Treated in Emergency Departments--United States, 2004-2005*

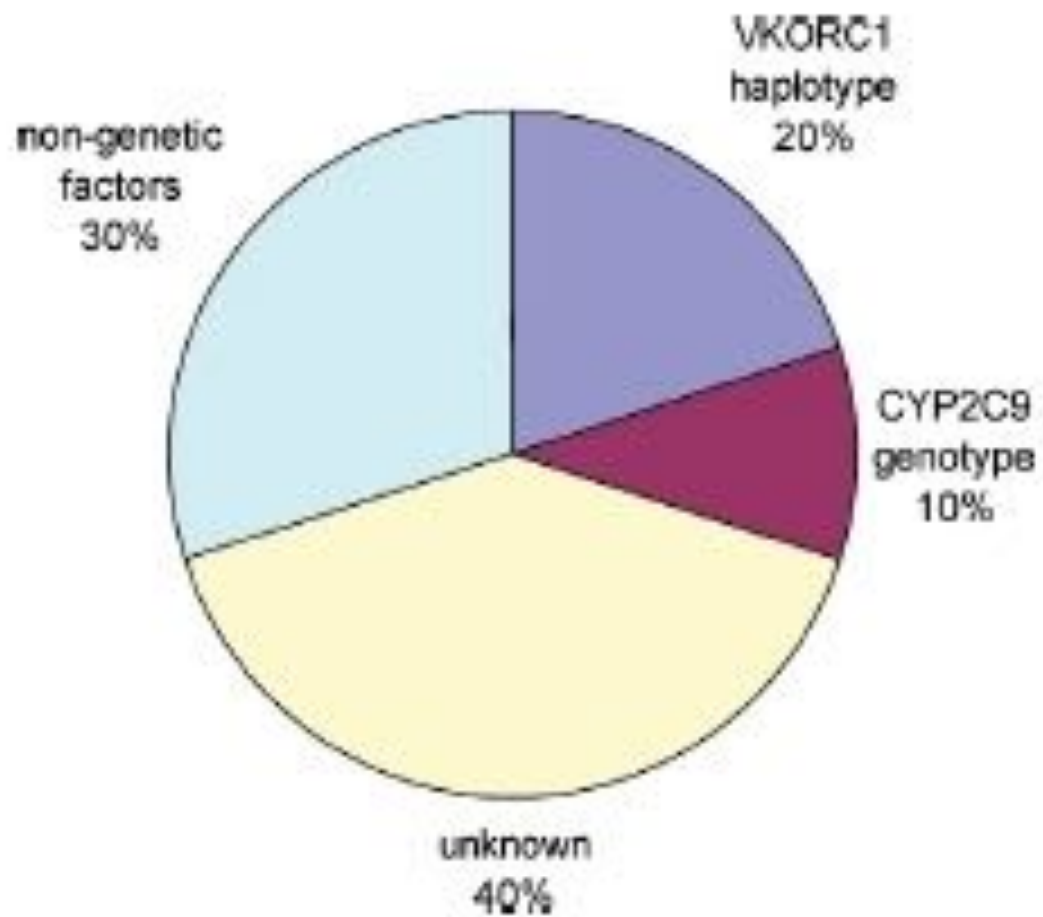
Table 5. Number of Cases and Annual Estimate of Drugs Most Commonly Implicated in Adverse Events Treated in Emergency Departments—United States, 2004-2005*

Drug	Adverse Drug Events	
	Cases, No.	Annual Estimate, No. (%)
Insulins	1577	55 819 (8.0)
Warfarin	1234	43 401 (6.2)†
Amoxicillin	1022	30 135 (4.3)
Aspirin	473	17 734 (2.5)
Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	447	15 291 (2.2)
Hydrocodone-acetaminophen	420	15 512 (2.2)
Ibuprofen	526	14 852 (2.1)
Acetaminophen	497	12 832 (1.8)
Clopidogrel	241	10 931 (1.6)†
Cephalexin	293	10 628 (1.5)
Penicillin	270	9275 (1.3)
Amoxicillin-clavulanate	274	8959 (1.3)
Azithromycin	255	8794 (1.3)
Levofloxacin	230	8682 (1.2)
Naproxen	245	8634 (1.2)
Phenytoin	238	7937 (1.1)
Oxycodone-acetaminophen	227	7328 (1.0)
Metformin	179	6678 (1.0)

*Drugs implicated in ≥1% of adverse events. For 434 cases (annual estimate, 15 784 [2.2%]) 2 of these 18 drugs were implicated in the adverse event. Therefore, these 18 drugs accounted for adverse drug events in 8214 cases (annual estimate, 277 636 [39.6%]).

†Estimates with coefficient of variation >30%: warfarin, 32.5%; clopidogrel, 36.6%.

Budnitz, D. S. et al. JAMA 2006;296:1858-1866.



Polymorphic enzyme	Decreased clearance	Adverse effects	Reduced prodrug activation
CYP2D6	Tricyclic	Cardiotoxicity	Tramadol
	Antidepress.		Codeine
	Haloperidol	Parkinsonism	Ethylmor.
	Perphenazine		
	Perhexiline	Neuropathy	
	SSRIs	Nausea	
	Tolterodine		

**Frequenza di individui
portatori di alleli
con copie multiple
del citocromo P450
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**Duplicated or
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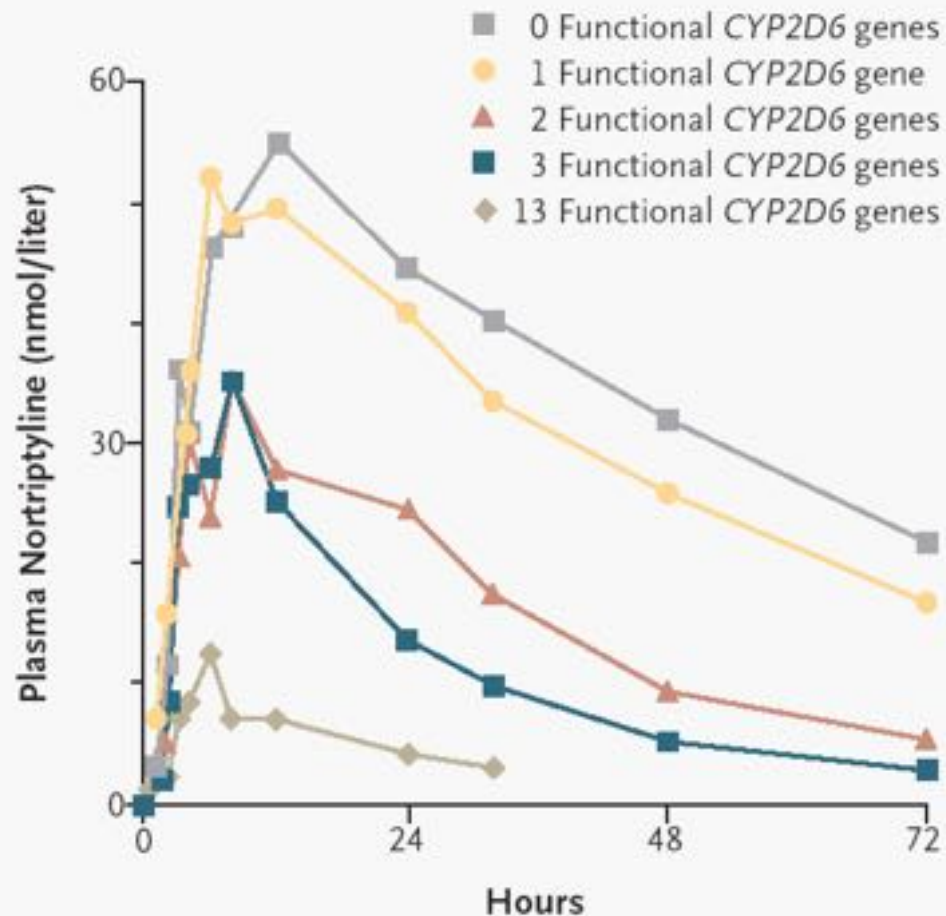
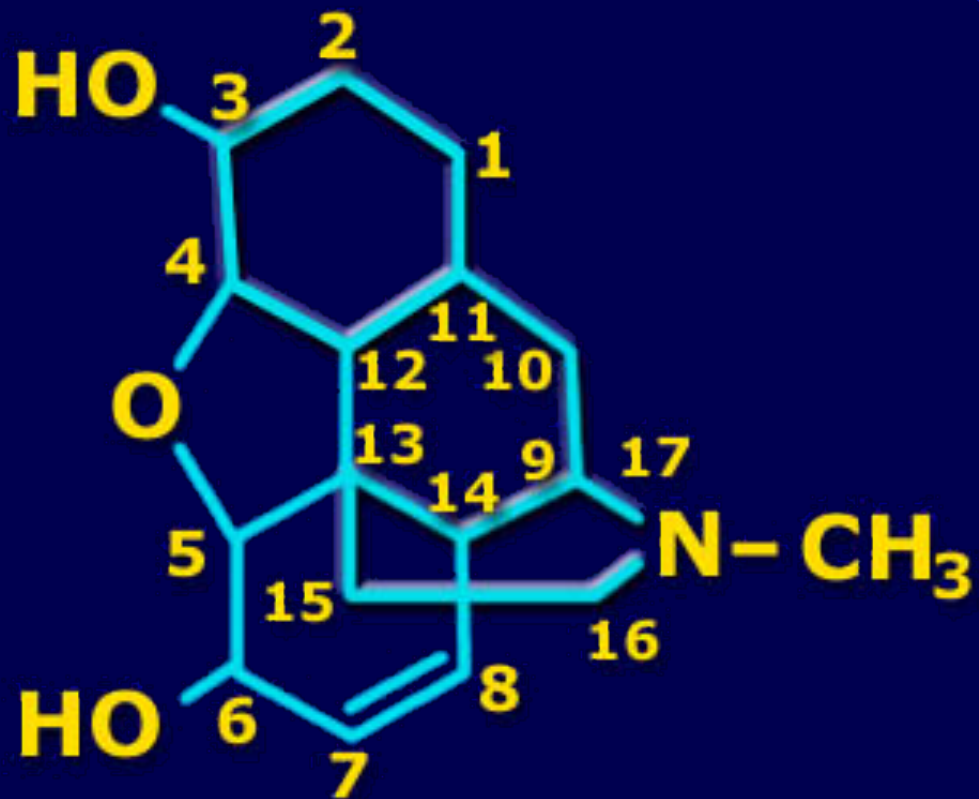


Figure 4. Pharmacogenetics of Nortriptyline.

Mean plasma concentrations of nortriptyline after a single 25-mg oral dose are shown in subjects with 0, 1, 2, 3, or 13 functional *CYP2D6* genes. Modified from Dalén et al.²³ with the permission of the publisher.

**Struttura degli Oppioidi
e degli antagonisti
degli Oppioidi correlati
chimicamente alla morfina**



MORPHINE

NONPROPRIETARY NAME	<u>CHEMICAL RADICALS AND POSITIONS</u>		
	3	6	17
Morphine	-OH	-OH	-CH
Heroin	-OCOCH	-OCOCH₃	-CH₃
Hydromorphone	-OH	=O	-CH₃
Oxymorphone	-OH	=O	-CH₃
Levorphanol	-OH	-H	-CH₃
Levallorphan	-OH	-H	-CH₂CH=CH₂
Codeine	-OCH₃	-OH	-CH₃
Hydrocodone	-OCH₃	=O	-CH₃
Oxycodone	-OCH₃	=O	-CH₃

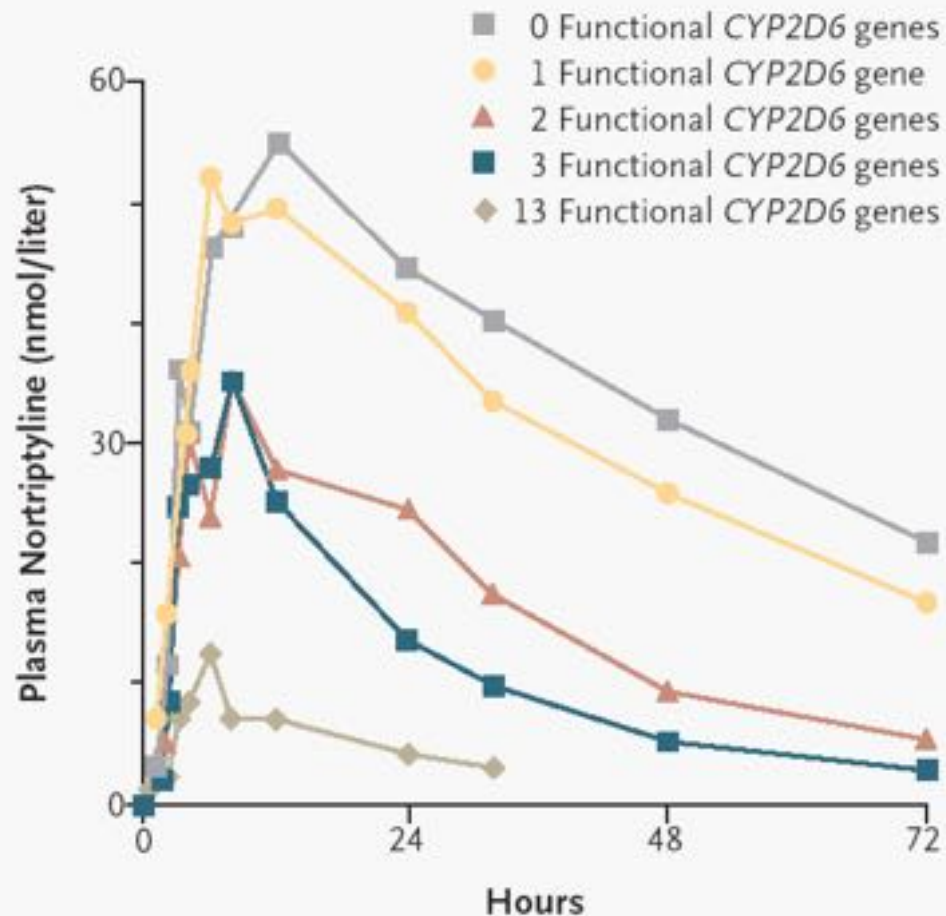


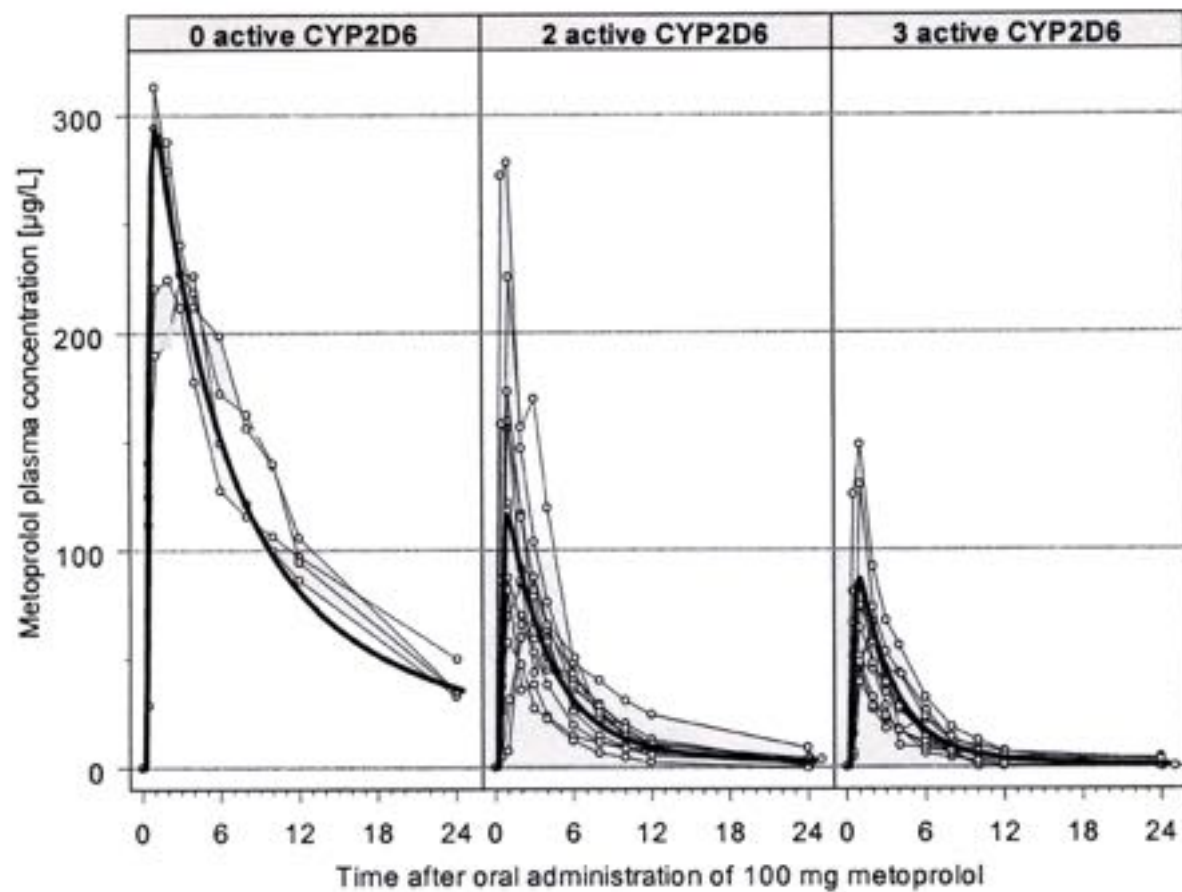
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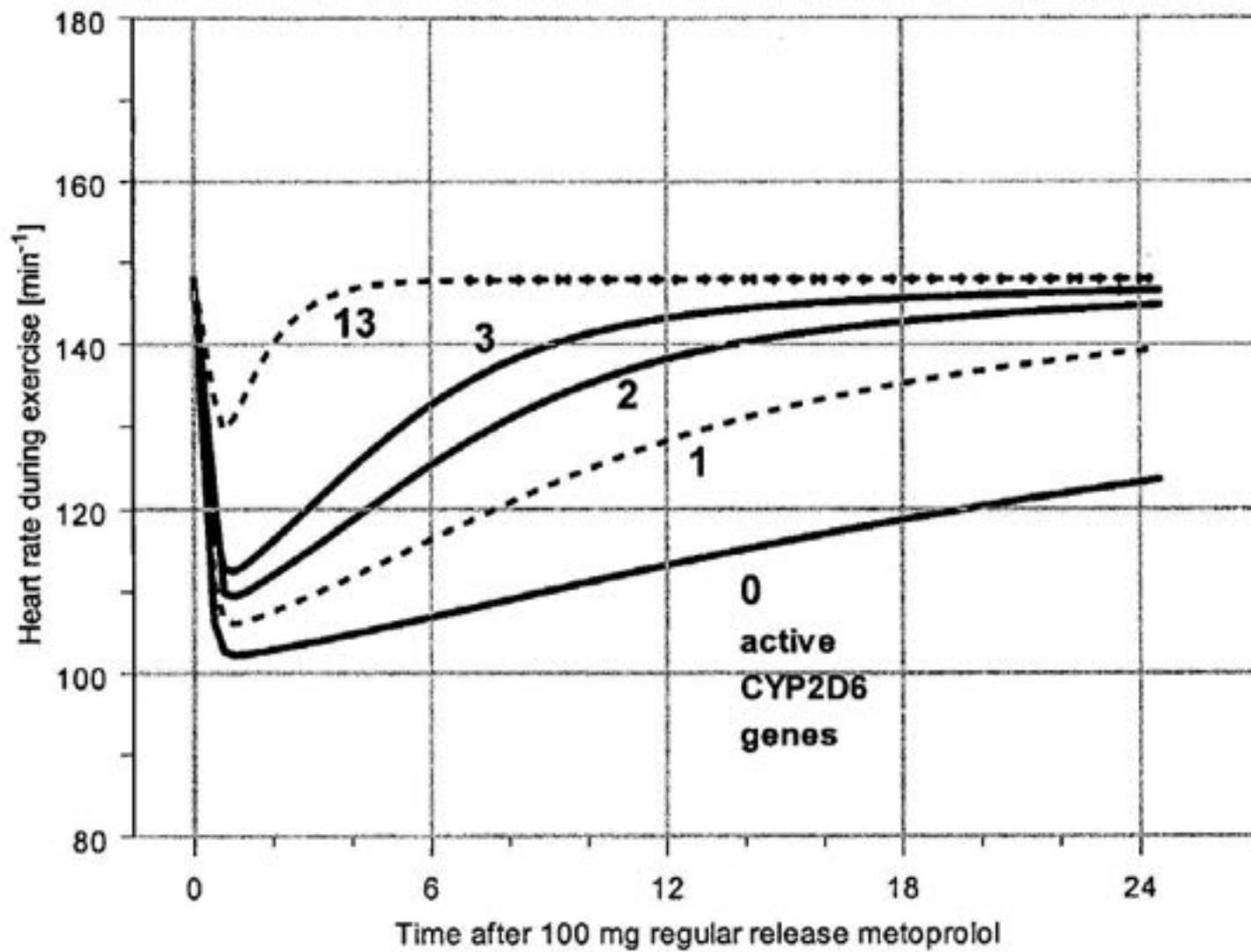
Table 3. Common Drug Substrates and Clinically Important Inhibitors of CYP2D6.

CYP2D6 Substrates	CYP2D6 Inhibitors
Beta-blockers	
Alprenolol	
Bufuralol	
Carvedilol	
Metoprolol	
Propranolol	
Timolol	
Tricyclic antidepressants	
Amitriptyline (in part)	Clomipramine
Clomipramine (in part)	
Desipramine	
Imipramine (in part)	
Nortriptyline	
Antiarrhythmic agents	
Flecainide	Quinidine
Mexiletine	
Propafenone	
Antipsychotic agents and SSRIs*	
Fluoxetine	Fluoxetine
Haloperidol	Haloperidol
Paroxetine	Paroxetine
Perphenazine	
Venlafaxine	
Opioids	
Codeine	
Dextromethorphan	

* SSRIs denotes selective serotonin-reuptake inhibitors.



Kirchheiner et al, Clin Pharmacol Ther; 2004



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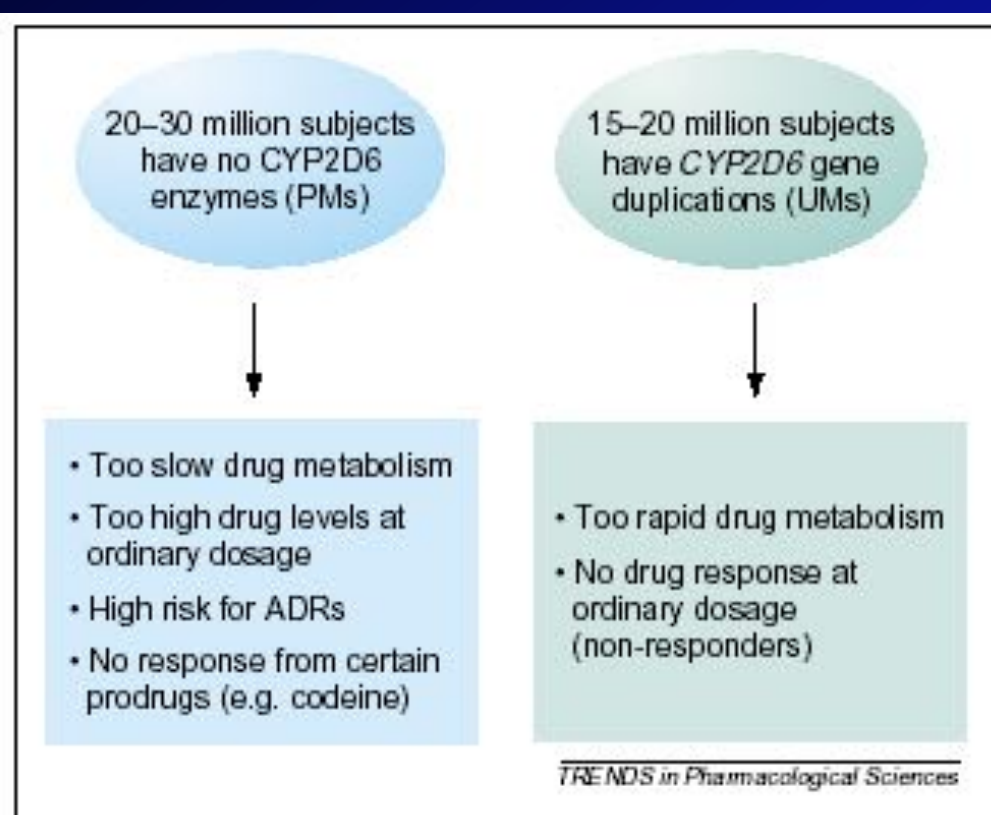
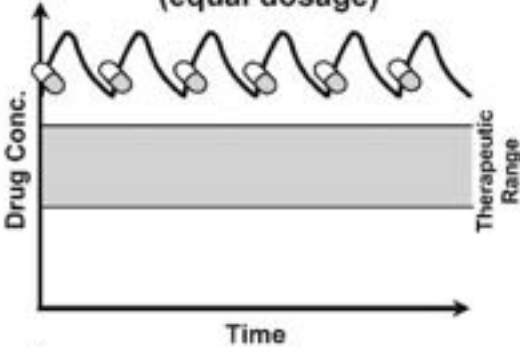
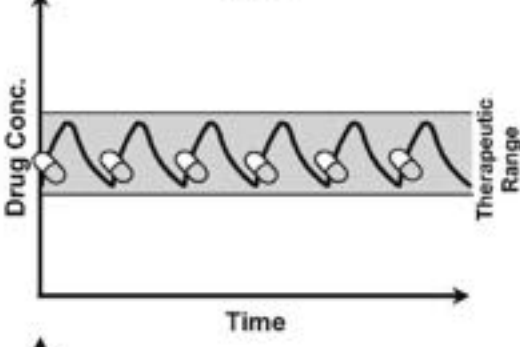
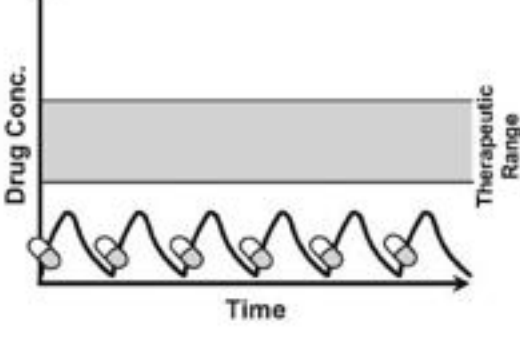


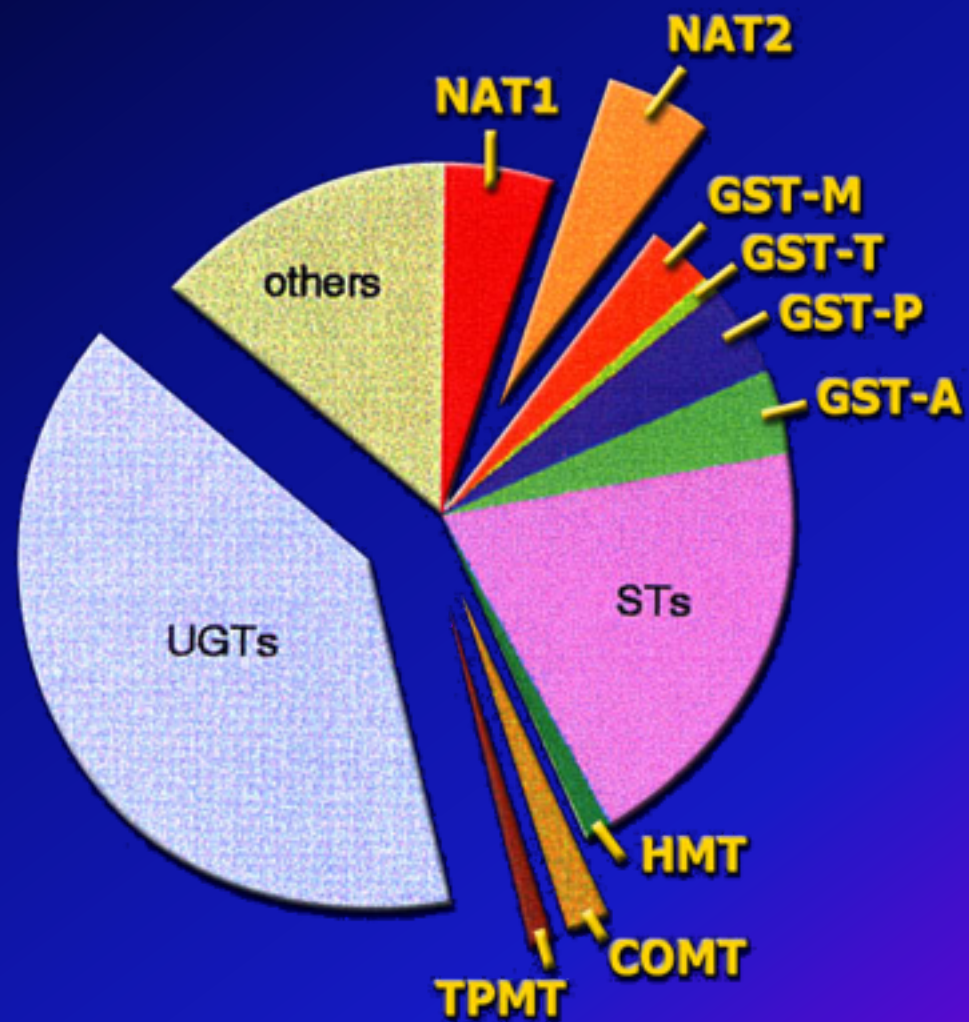
Figure 2. The consequences of outlier cytochrome P450 CYP2D6-dependent drug metabolism. 35–50 million Europeans are either poor metabolizers (PMs) (i.e. lack the functional enzyme) or ultrarapid metabolizers (UMs) (i.e. have multiple gene copies of CYP2D6, resulting in elevated enzyme levels), with respect to CYP2D6. As a result of the use of population-based dosing, drug treatment can result in many different effects in these subjects. Abbreviation: ADRs, adverse drug reactions.

Table 4. Number of Cases and Annual Estimate of Individuals With Adverse Drug Events Treated In Emergency Departments by Drug Class—United States, 2004-2005

Therapeutic Category (Drug Class)*	Adverse Drug Events†	
	Cases	Annual Estimate, No. (%)
Central nervous system agents	4698	150 257 (21.4)
Opioid-containing analgesics	1167	41 421 (5.9)
Non-opioid-containing analgesics	715	20 887 (3.0)
Antidepressants and mood stabilizers	591	19 817 (2.8)
Anticonvulsants	588	17 887 (2.6)
Antipsychotics	443	13 635 (1.9)
Benzodiazepines	288	9299 (1.3)
Non-benzodiazepine-derived sedatives	182	6375 (0.9)
Stimulants	177	4152 (0.6)
Anesthetics	92	3176 (0.5)
Other central nervous system agents or central nervous system agents from different classes	455	13 608 (1.9)

Mutation	CYP2D6 Function	Effect on steady state concentration (equal dosage)	Clinical effect	Possible consequences
> 50 mutations with defective enzymes or complete deletions	reduced or completely absent → poor metabolizer (PM)		• toxicity • adverse drug effects	• reduce dose • change medication and avoid substrates of CYP2D6
homozygous or heterozygous wild type	normal → extensive metabolizer (EM)		• desired concentration range • efficient therapy	
duplication or multiplication of functional gene	enhanced metabolism → ultra rapid metabolizer (UM)		• ineffective therapy	• prescribe megadose or comedicate other CYP2D6 substrate and monitor concentration • avoid CYP2D6 substrates

PHASE II

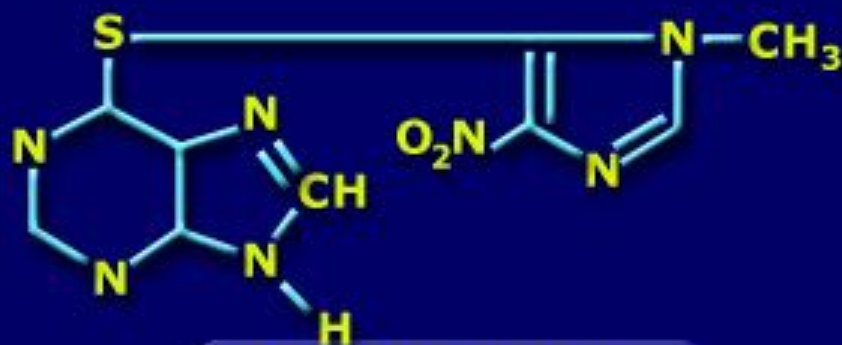




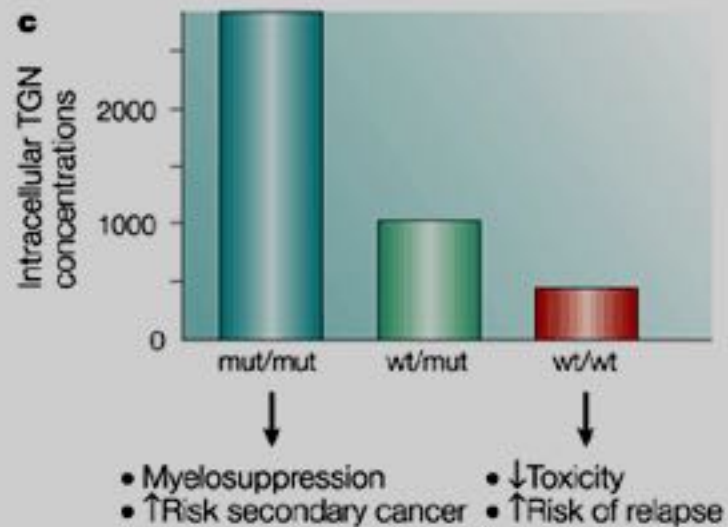
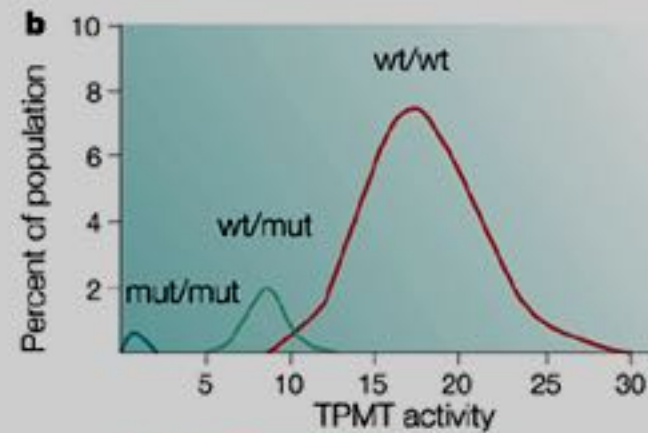
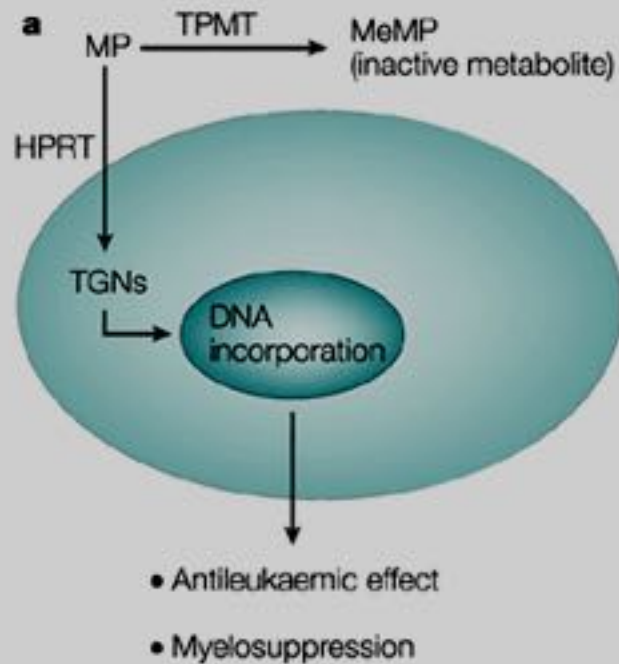
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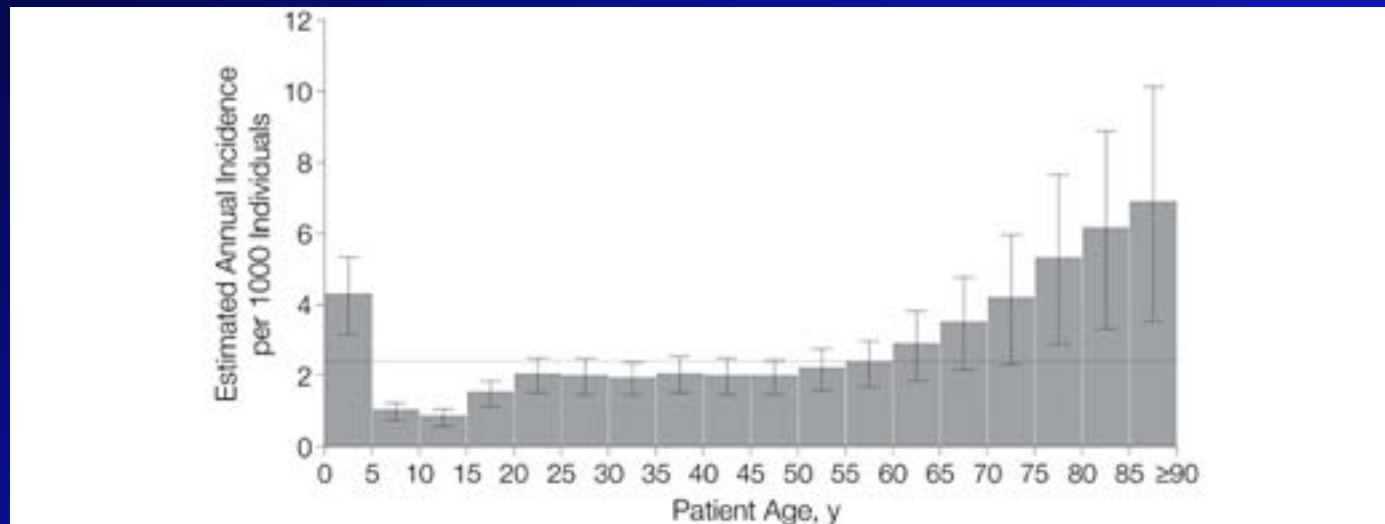
THIOGUANINE



AZATHIOPRINE



Estimated Annual Incidence of Adverse Drug Events Treated in US Emergency Departments



Budnitz, D. S. et al. JAMA 2006;296:1858-1866.

Systemic antimicrobial agents	3867	127 807 (18.2)
Amoxicillin-containing agents	1150	35 228 (5.0)
Quinolones	445	16 074 (2.3)
Sulfonamide-containing agents	446	15 593 (2.2)
Cephalosporins	454	15 369 (2.2)
Erythromycins and macrolides	329	11 833 (1.7)
Penicillin	233	7848 (1.1)
Antivirals, antiparasitics, and antifungals	141	4338 (0.6)
Tetracyclines	106	3662 (0.5)
Lincomycins	100	3332 (0.5)
Metronidazole	59	1815 (0.3)
Other antimicrobial agents, unspecified antimicrobials, or drugs from different classes of antimicrobial agents	404	12 715 (1.8)

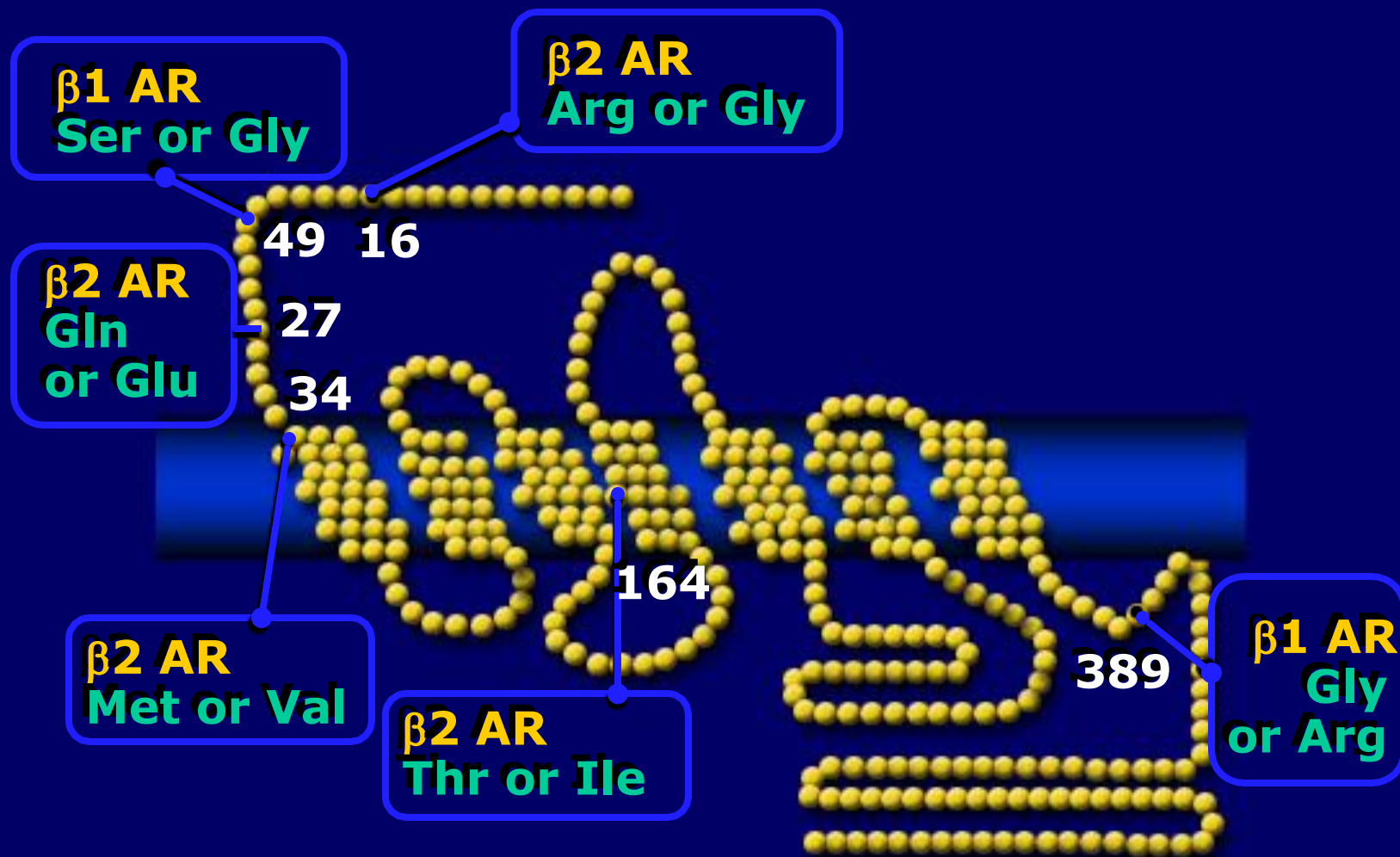
**Polimorfismi genetici
in bersagli primari di farmaci
ed effetti sulla risposta
farmacologica**

Receptor/target	Medication
b2-Adrenergic receptor	Albuterol
5-Lipoxygenase promoter	ABT-761 (zileuton)
Angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE)	Enalapril, lisinopril, captopril
Cholesteryl ester transfer protein	Pravastatin
Stromelysin	Pravastatin
Angiotensin-II T receptor	Perindopril nitrendipine

Receptor/target	Medication
Sulfonylurea receptor	Tolbutamide
5-Hydroxytryptamine 2C receptor	Clozapine
5-Hydroxytryptamine 2A receptor	Clozapine and other neuroleptics
Serotonin transporter promoter	Fluvoxamine
Dopamine D2 and D3 receptors	Antipsychotics
Vitamin D receptor	1,25-Dihydroxy vitamin D3
Glucocorticoid receptor	Dexamethasone

Receptor/target	Medication
Nicotinic receptor	Acetylcholine (-) nicotine
Delta opioid receptor	Heroin
Potassium channels	
HERG	Quinidine
	Cisapride
KvLQT1	Terfenadine, disopyramide meflaquine
hHCNE2	Clarithromycin

Receptor/target	Medication
Sodium channels	
SCN5A	Mexiletine
Inositol-p1p	Lithium
HLA-DRB1	Cyclosporin A
Apolipoprotein E4	Tacrine
Ryanodine receptor	Halothane or succinylcholine
Prothrombin	Oral contraceptives
Peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor	Insulin



species

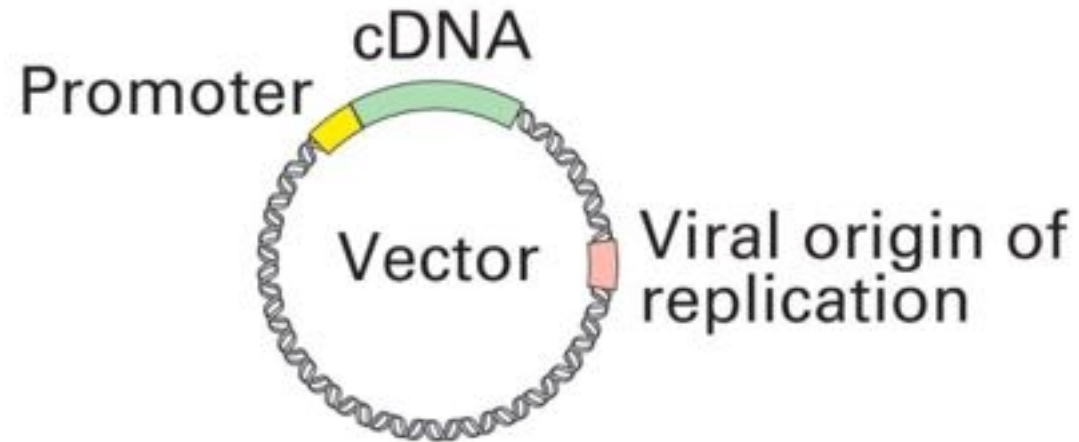
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Ovis aries	R S P D F R K A F Q R L L C C A R R A	100
Bos taurus	R S P D F R K A F Q R L L C C A R R A	100
Rattus norvegicus	R S P D F R K A F Q R L L C C A R R A	100
Mus musculus	R S P D F R K A F Q R L L C C A R R A	100
Pan troglodytes	R S P D F R K A F Q R L L C C V R R A	94
Rhesus macaque	R S P D F R N A F Q R L L C C A R R A	94
Canis familiaris	R S P D F R R A F Q R L L C C A R R A	94
Felis catus	R S P D F R K A F Q R L L C F A R R A	94
Sus scrofa	R C P D F R K A F Q R L L C C A R R V	94
Tetraodon nigroviridis	R S P D F R K A F K R L L C C A R Q A	84
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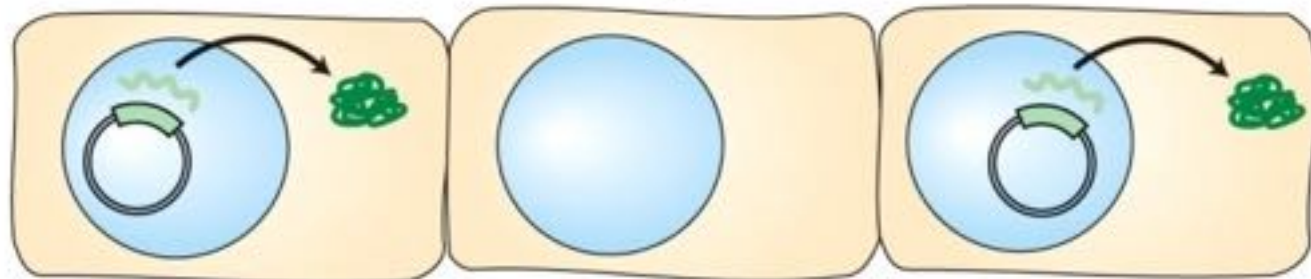
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**Effetti farmacologici del
polimorfismo in posizione 389
del recettore Beta-1**

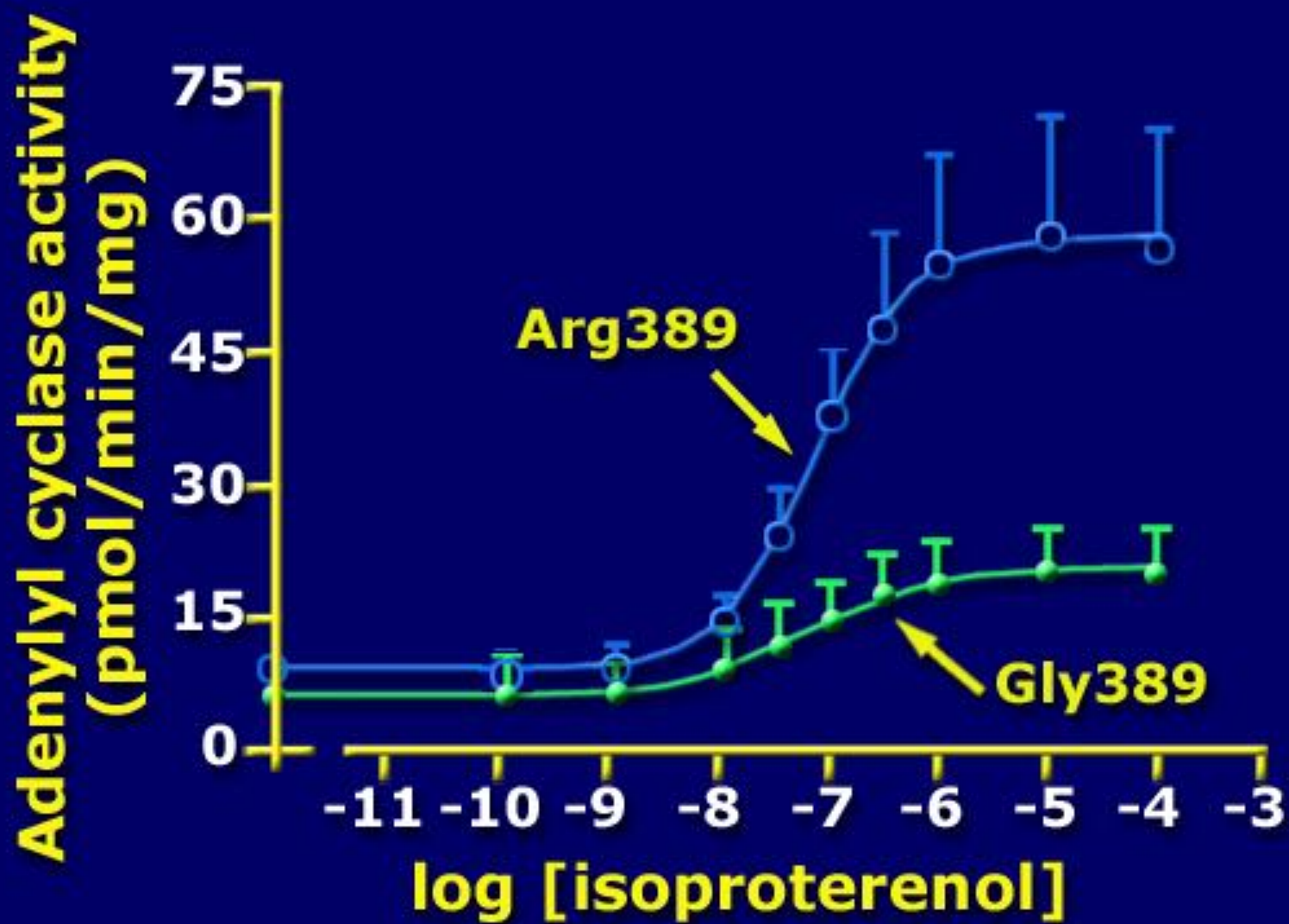
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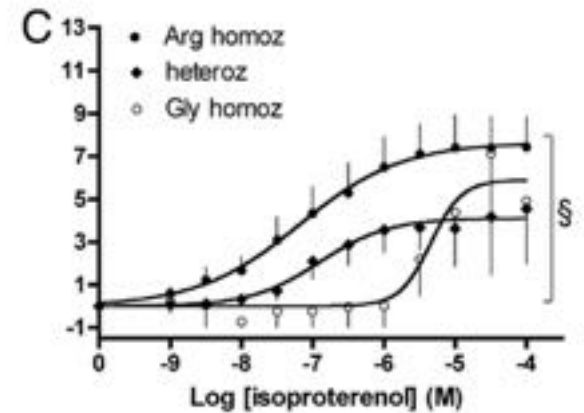
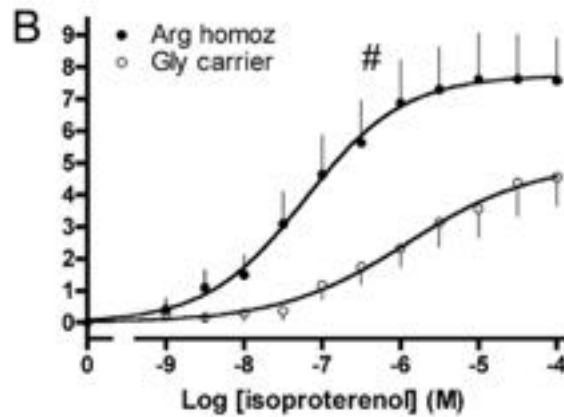
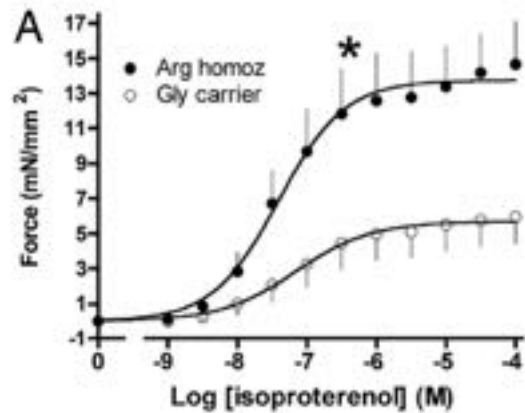


Transfect cultured cells by lipid treatment or electroporation

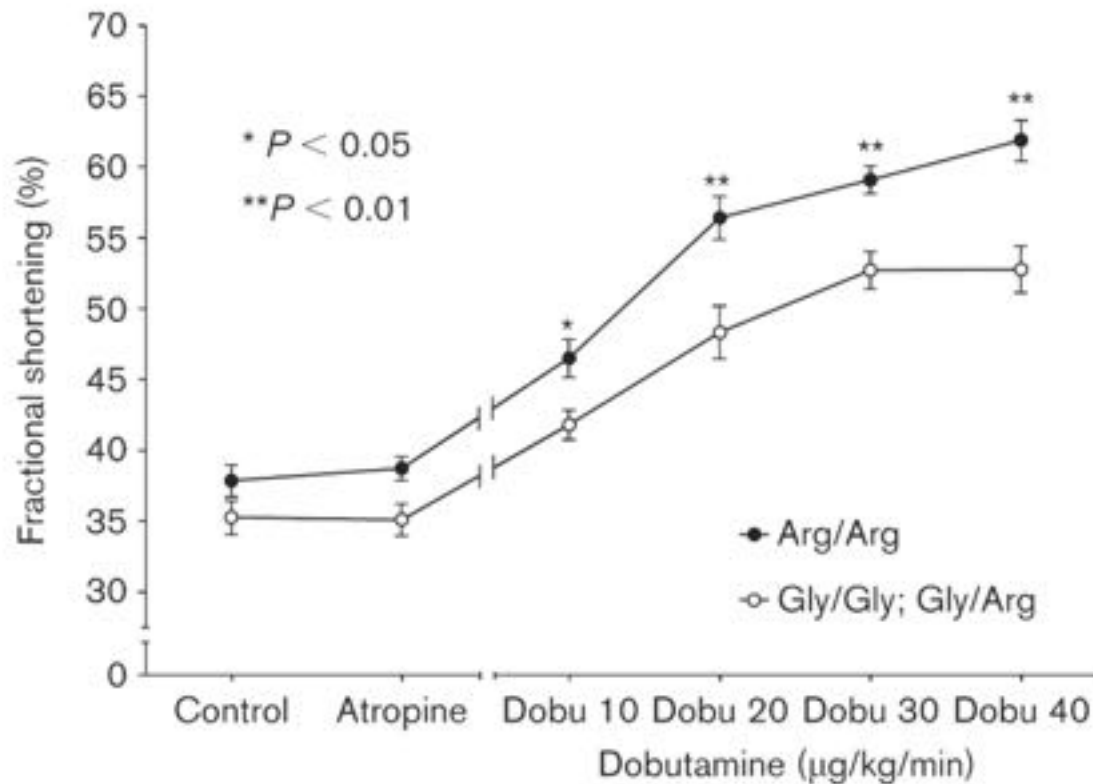


Protein is expressed from cDNA in plasmid DNA



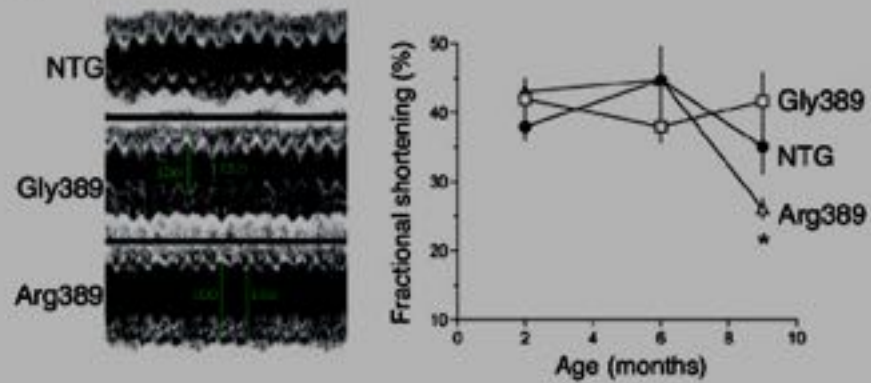
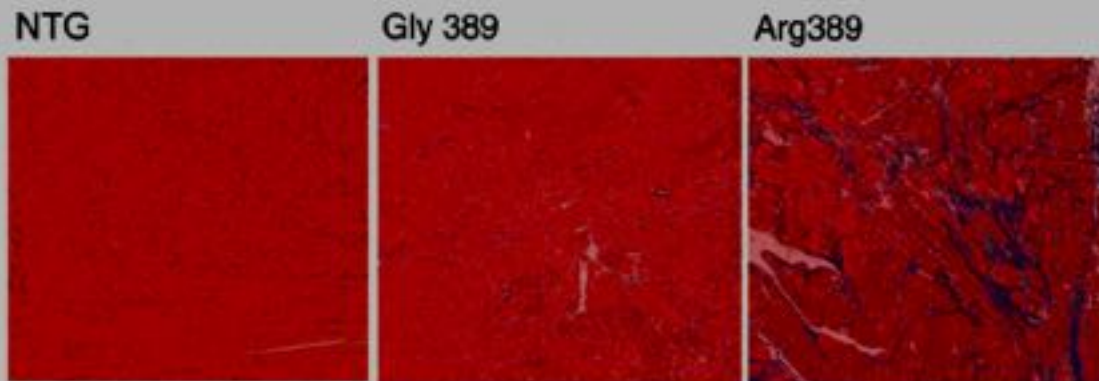
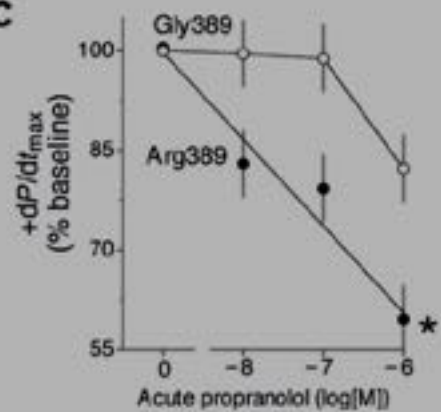
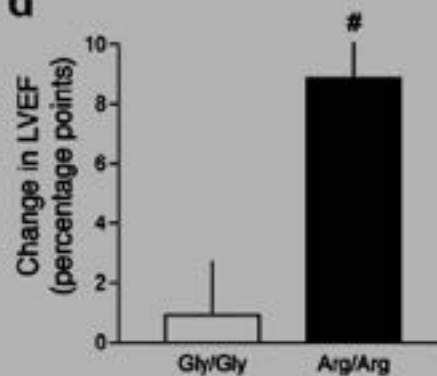


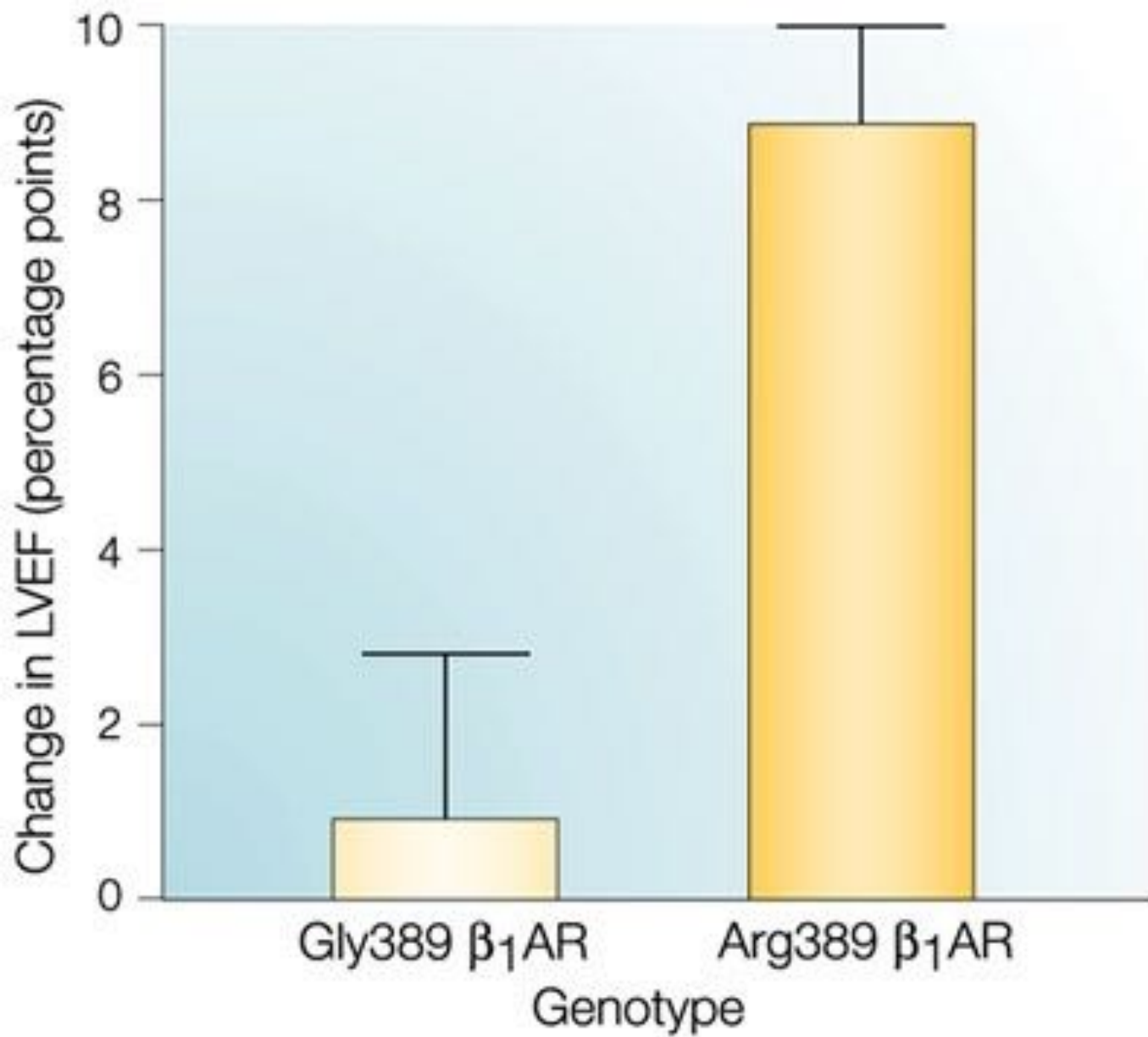
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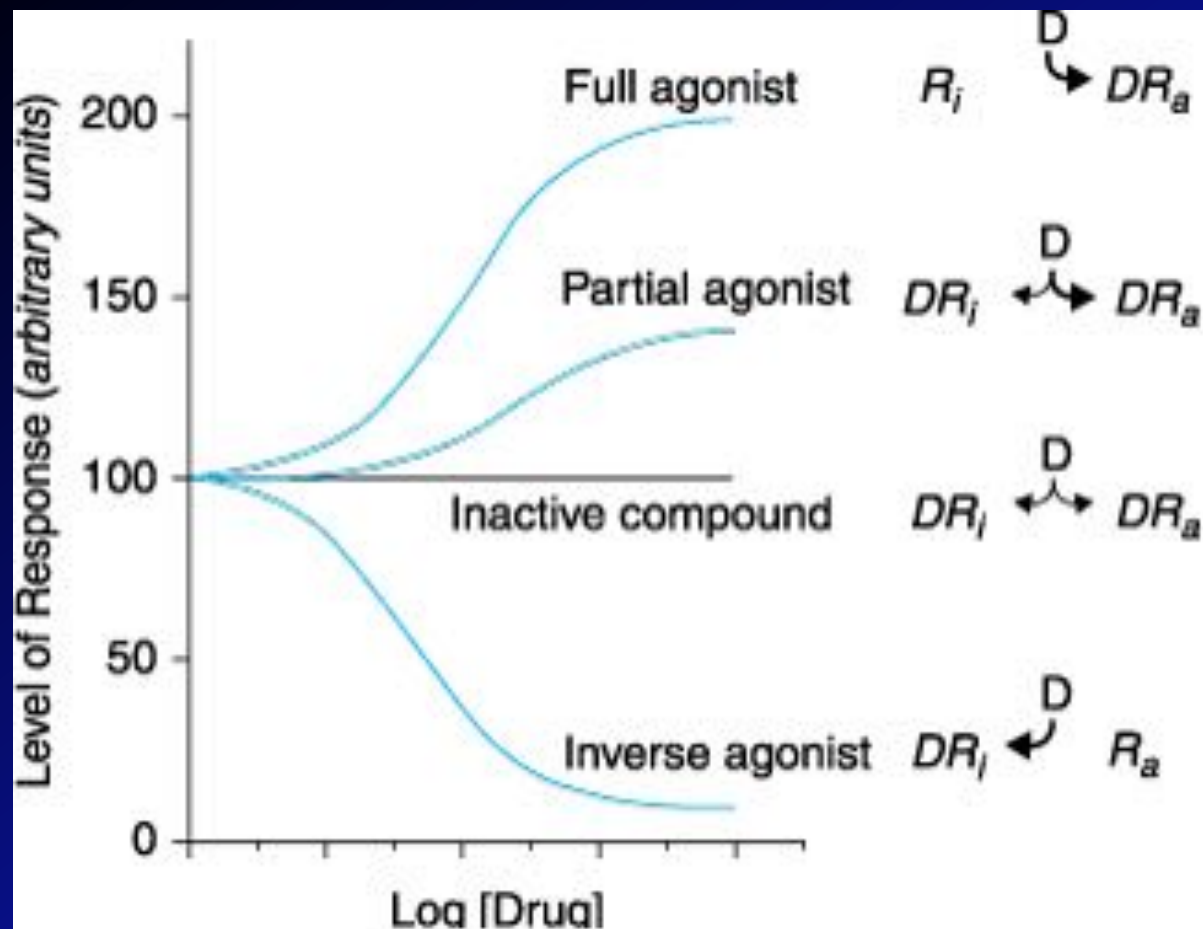


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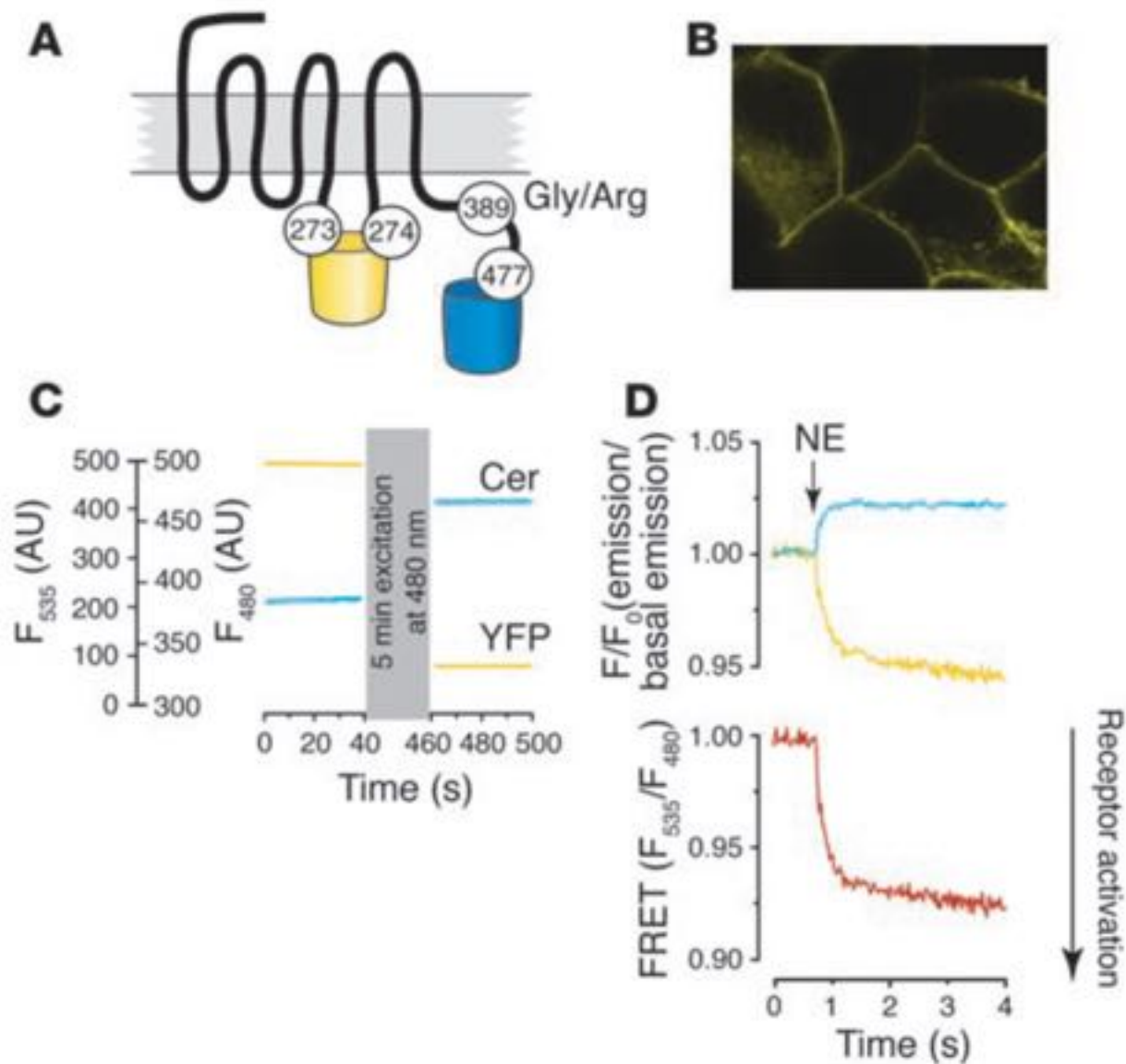
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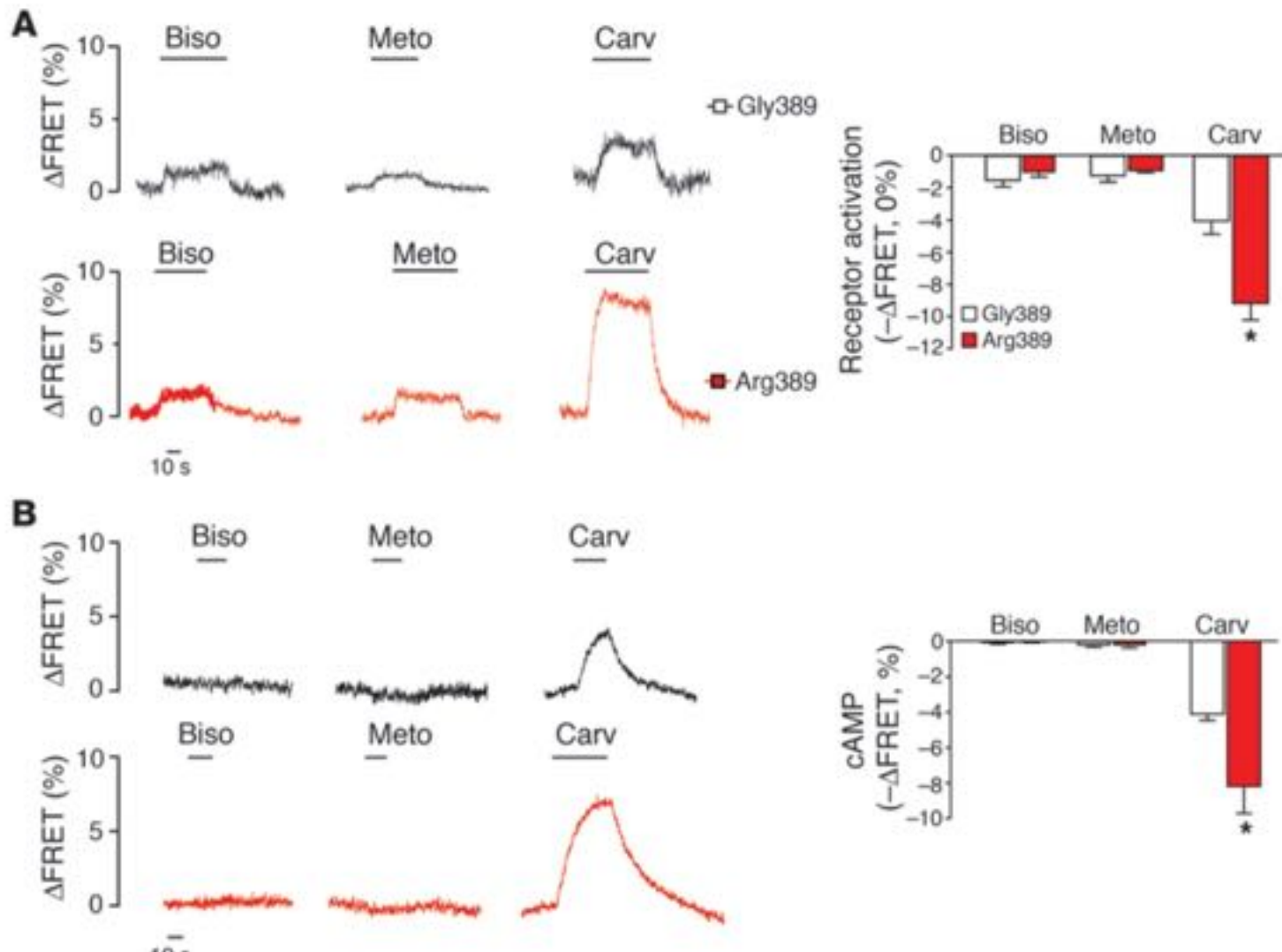


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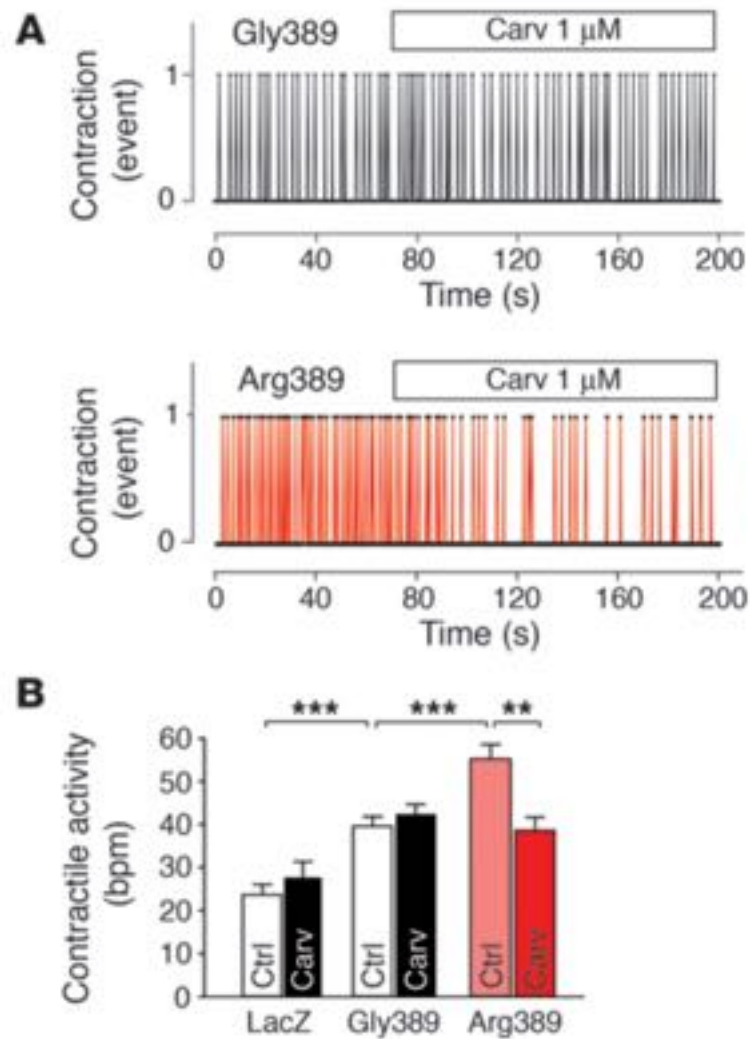
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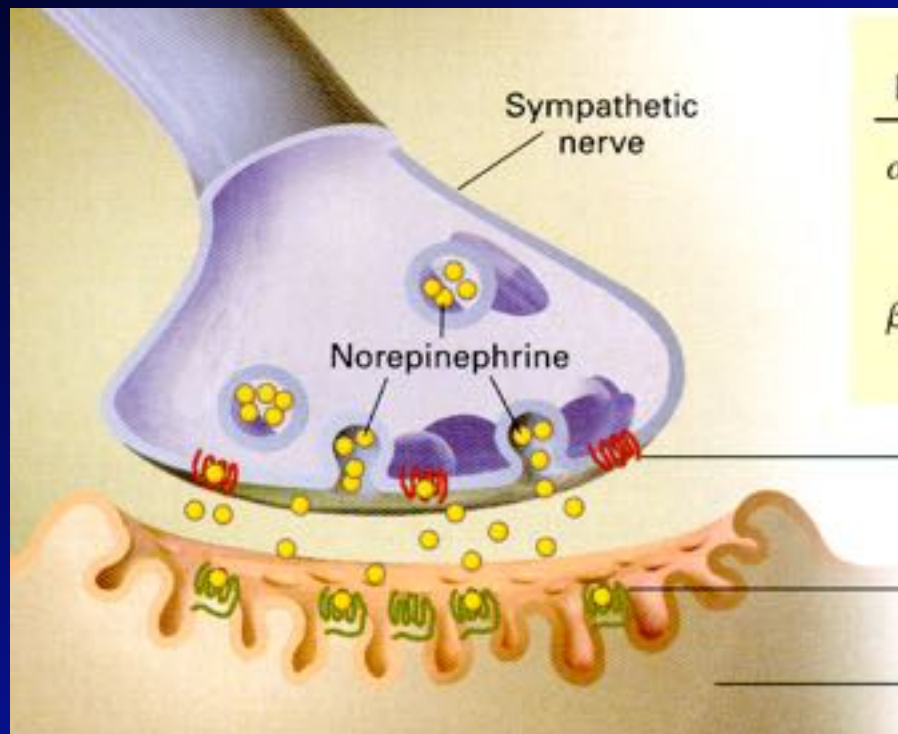
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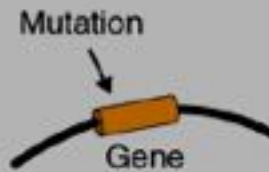
Receptor Polymorphism	Effect in Vitro	Expected Effect in Vivo
α_{2C} Del322-325	Decreased function	Increased norepinephrine release at synapse
β_1 Arg389	Increased function	Increased response at cardiomyocyte

α_{2C} -Adrenergic receptor
(activation inhibits norepinephrine release)

β_1 -Adrenergic receptor
(activation stimulates contractility)

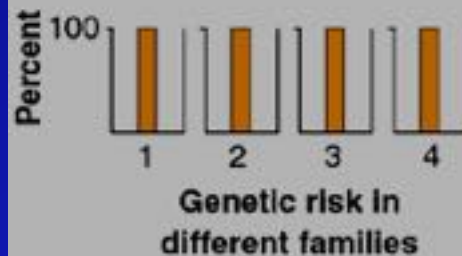
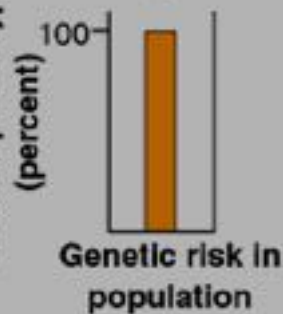
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Monogenic disorder

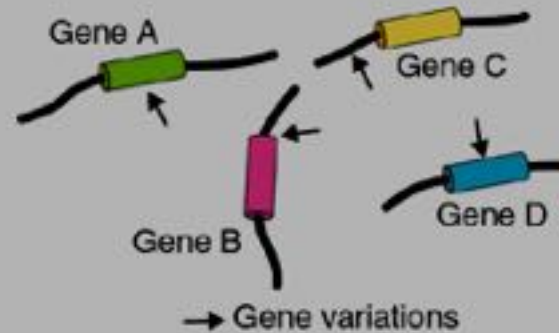


Inheritance pattern
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Impact of mutations
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disease phenotype
(percent)

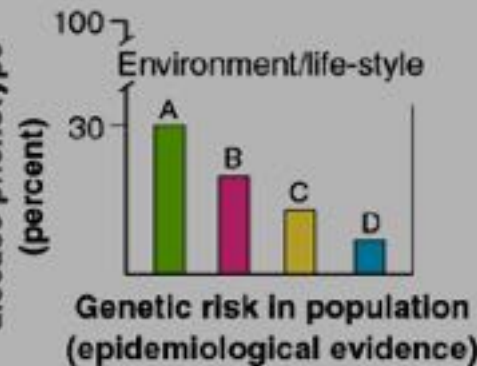


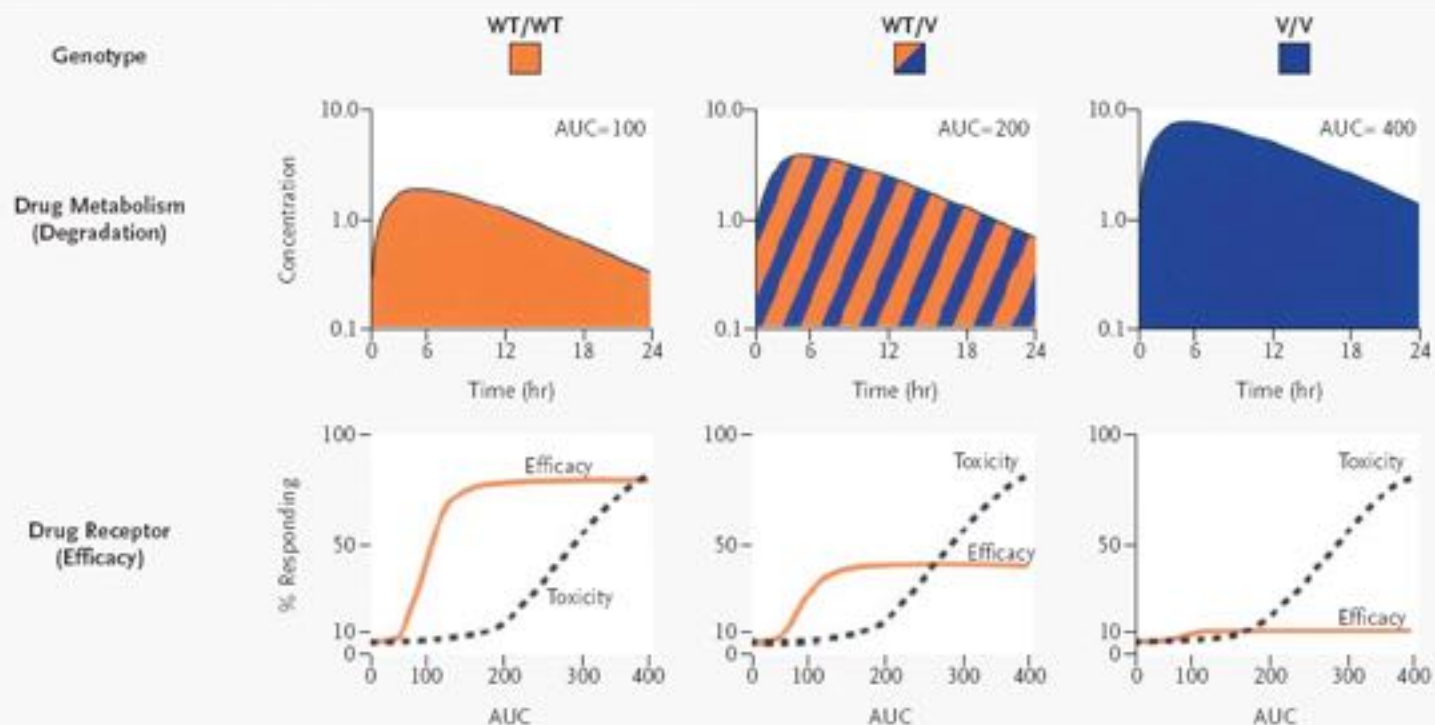
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Inheritance pattern (complex)

Impact of variations
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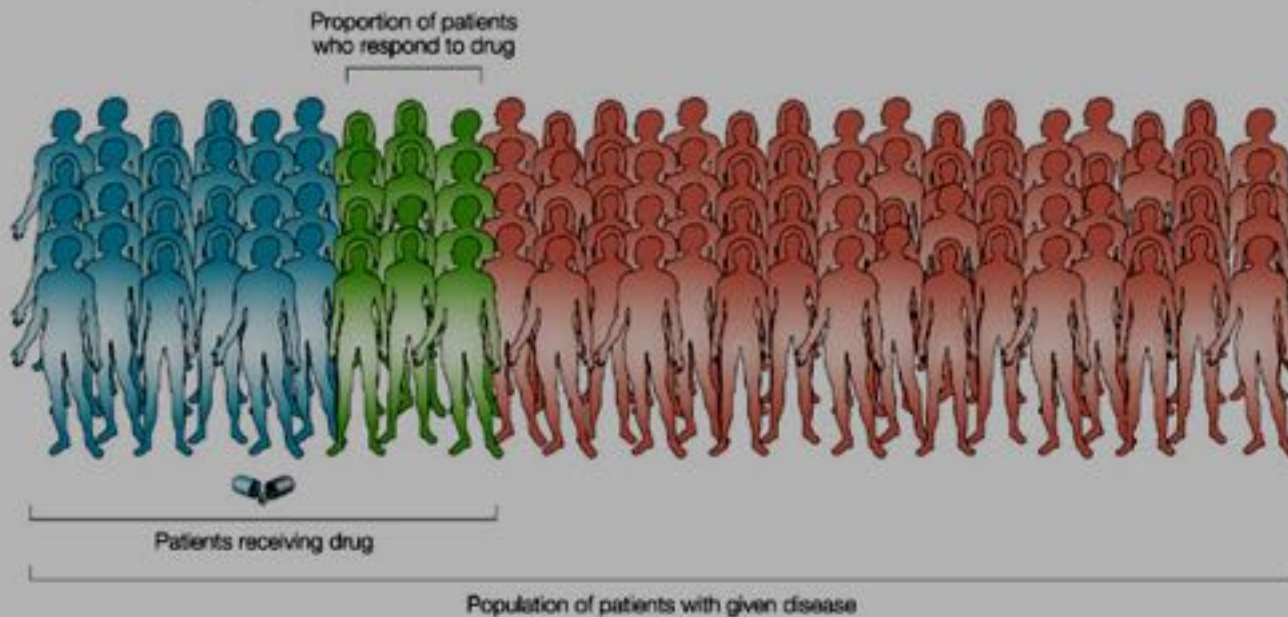


	Metabolism genotype		Receptor genotype	Response	
				Efficacy	Toxicity
Polygenic Drug Response		+		65%	Low (5%)
		+		32%	Low
		+		9%	Low
		+		79%	Moderate (15%)
		+		40%	Moderate
		+		10%	Moderate
		+		80%	High (80%)
		+		40%	High
		+		10%	High

La **Farmacogenetica** è un processo che si sviluppa **in 3 fasi** distinte

- ➔ **La fase della scoperta e catalogazione degli SNPs**
- ➔ **La fase della ricerca di correlazioni tra la presenza di definiti SNPS (Aplotipi) e determinati profili farmacogenetici**
- ➔ **La fase diagnostica**

a Current state of drug development research



b Ideal future objective of drug development research

