Neuropathy. Nerves before and after TTR.

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Amyloidosis

Amyloid deposit.

Precursor proteins.

Fibrilar ptn.

Lesion to tissues.

Mechanism?







A TTR.

SSA or Wild Type ATTR



Hereditary ATTR. hATTR.









TTR transport vitamin A and tyroxin. 98% production in the liver > 100 mutations V30M most common



Functional TTR structures

TTR structures linked to pathology









Amyloid endoneurial deposition

- Axonal loss. Unmylienated fibers
- Small myelinated fibers
 Large myelinated fibers



Early detection of disease. Better treatmemt outcome.

- FAP stage 0 . Congo red fibers.
- Imunohistochemistry + TTR non fibrilar deposit.
- FAP stage I. Congo red + . Fibrilar amyloid deposit.





HEREDITARY AMYLOIDOSIS

Peptide probes detect misfolded transthyretin oligomers in plasma of hereditary amyloidosis patients

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Increasing evidence supports the hypothesis that soluble misfolded protein assess is contribute to the degeneration of postmitotic tissue in amyloid diseases. However, there is a dearth of reliable nonantibody-based probes for selectively detecting oligomeric aggregate structures circulating in plasma or deposited in tissues, making it difficult to scrutinize this hypothesis in patients. Hence, understanding the structure-proteotoxicity relationships driving amyloid diseases remains challenging, hampering the development of early diagnostic and novel treatment strategies. We report peptide-based probes that selectively label misfolded transthyretin (TTR) oligomers circulating in the plasma

Genotype (n)	Female/male	Age (means ± SD)	Origin
Healthy donors (30)	18/12	51 ± 16	United States (28), Japan (2)
V30M asymptomatic (13)	6/7	36 ± 13	Portugal (12), United States (1)
V30M FAP (43)	21/22	43 ± 14	Portugal (34), Japan (7), United States (2)
WT cardiomyopathy (15)	1/14	76 ± 8	United States (15)
V122I (6)	4/2	76 ± 8	United States (6)
Other: T60A (4), F44S (2), T79K (1), T49P (1), I84N (1), S50I (1), and S50R (1)	5/6	56 ± 11	United States (6), Japan (5)

Table 1. Sample age and demographics for the non-native TTR detection by the B-2 SDS-PAGE assay presented in Figs. 4G, 6, and 7.



Fig. 3. Probe B-1 selectively differentiates FAP patient samples from controls. (A) Experimental setup and representative SEC chromatograms, where



Fig. 7. Non-native TTR is detected in predominantly neuropathic hereditary TTR amyloidosis and not detected in cardiomyopathy-associated genotypes.

Misfolded oligomers decrease in TTR amyloid polyneuropathy patients treated with disease-modifying therapies (tafamidis or liver transplant-mediated gene therapy). In a subset of TTR amyloid polyneuropathy patients, the probes also detected a circulating TTR fragment that disappeared after tafamidis treatment. Proteomic analysis of the isolated TTR oligomers revealed a specific patient-associated signature composed of proteins that likely associate with the circulating TTR oligomers. Quantification of plasma oligomer concentrations using peptide probes could become an early diagnostic strategy, a response-to-therapy biomarker, and a useful tool for understanding structureproteotoxicity relationships in the TTR amyloidoses.

H ATTR. Disease that affects multiple organs h ATTR PN = FAP and h ATTR CM= FAC

Presentation depends on mutation, age at onset and geo location.







TTR Amyloidosis is a Severe, Progressive Disease Affecting Multiple Organs

Ocular Manifestations

- Vitreous opacities
- Glaucoma
- Abnormal conjunctival vessels
- Papillary abnormalities

GI Manifestations

- Nausea & vomiting
- Early satiety
- Diarrhea
- Severe constipation
- Alternating episodes of diarrhea & constipation
- Unintentional weight loss

Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

Autonomic Neuropathy

- Orthostatic hypotension
- Recurrent urinary tract infections (due to urinary retention)
- Sexual dysfunction
- Sweating abnormalities

Cerebral Amyloid Angiopathy

- Progressive dementia
- Headache
- Ataxia
- Seizure
- Spastic paresis
- Stroke-like episode

Cardiovascular Manifestations

- Conduction blocks
- Cardiomyopathy
- Arrhythmia

Nephropathy

- Proteinuria
- Renal failure

Peripheral sensory-motor neuropathy

 Typically axonal, fiber-lengthdependent, symmetric, and relentlessly progressive in distal to proximal direction

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TTR-FAP disease progression

 Patients with TTR-FAP experience a progressive loss of sensory, motor, and autonomic nerve function²















The relentless progression of TTR-FAP



With Bars

Diagnosis at 2013; Disease since 2011; Family history present; PND I; Bad social background. Val30Met; Family history present; Diagnosis in 2013; Disease onset in 2010; PND II.







Motor neuropathy









Neuropathic pain





Autonomic Neuropathy

- Vomiting.
- Diarrhea / Constipation
- Urinary tract infections.
- Bladder/ Bowel incontinence.
- Sexual disfunction
- Orthostatic Hypotension
- Massive loss of body weight.

Autonomic Neuropathy. Gl abnormalities.

12/2004 Assymptomatic carrier





05/2006. Disease onset and diagnosis, PND =I.



07/2014.PND = IIIA

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Coutinho stages

The relentless progression of TTR-FAP



- Patient is bedridden or in a wheelchair with generalised weakness, malnutrition, cachexia and incontinence^{2,3}
- Pain and temperature sensation is lacking apart from in the head/neck²





 Motor dysfunction in the lower limbs and loss of touch sensation²

 Mobility is maintained but crutches or a stick are needed for walking^{2,3}

 Symptoms are limited to feet and legs with impaired pain and temperature sensation²
 Sensation of touch is maintained²

Unassisted walking²

Worsening of disease

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Carpal tunnel syndrome

- Part of the Polyneuropathy.
- First presentation.



Carpal tunnel syndrome









Is very frequent in the general population



Case Study: Val122Ile in Brazil

- Clinical course:
 - Carpal Tunnel at 58
 - Cardiomyopathy at 60
 - Disautonomia at 64
 - Dialysis at 65
- Cardiac biopsy: amyloid deposition
- No family history
- Origin: Portuguese / African
- Rio de Janeiro

4% of African Americans may be carriers of Val122Ile *TTR* mutation

THAOS Brazil: n=3 THAOS Overall: n=78

Real mutação do paciente Wilson

Final exon 4 paciente Wilson antes do novo protocolo





Posição 364 – códon 122 GTC trocado por ATC= Val 1221 le= Nova no Brasil

Slavery. African origin of Americas.

- 5 millions of slaves were brought to Brazil from West Africa (Angola) from 1551 to 1840.
- From XVI to XIX centuries 10 millions of slaves were sold to Americas. 40 % of this total came to Brazil.





THAOS Today

Data as of August 2017

69 sites from 21 countries have subjects enrolled into THAOS



Countries and contributions to THAOS (%): 21 countries, 3,399 subjects



Most Common *TTR* Mutations 2017 (101 unique mutations in 2930 subjects)

Mutation	Total	% of patients with TTR mutation	Cumulative %
Val30Met	2138	73.0%	73.0%
Val122lle	160	5.5%	78.4%
Thr60Ala	69	2.4%	80.8%
Ser50Arg	68	2.3%	83.1%
Glu89Gln	62	2.1%	85.2%
Phe64Leu	36	1.2%	86.5%
Ser77Tyr	28	1.0%	87.4%
lle107Val	24	0.8%	88.2%
Gly47Ala	22	0.8%	89.0%
Val20lle	20	0.7%	89.7%
Leu111Met	19	0.7%	90.3%
Glu89Lys	14	0.5%	90.8%
Val28Met	13	0.4%	91.2%
DelVal122	11	0.4%	91.6%
Ser52Pro	10	0.3%	92.0%

Heterozygous:58 subjects

85 different mutations reported in 9 or fewer patients



Genotypic Spectrum in "V30M endemic" Regions



Spectrum of Mutations in USA N=648



Spectrum of Mutations in Europe (excluding Portugal and Scandinavia) N=650



Neurologic Phenotype (%) N=1381



Cardiac Phenotype (%) N=608



Mixed Phenotype (%) N=573



Distribution of phenotypes



Distribution of phenotypes (main genotypes)





- 4% of wild-type symptomatic subjects presented as neurologic phenotype
- 5% of symptomatic Val30Met subjects presented as cardiologic phenotype, and 11% of Val122IIe subjects presented as neurologic phenotype



What can be done

- Nice neurological examination.
- NC
- SSR and other autonomic tests
- QST
- HRDB
- Biopsies
- Recognize disease
- Treat disease. Treat pain.
- Care and prevention of wounds, burnings.





