

# Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation in Lysosomal Storage Diseases; Optimizing Safety and Efficacy

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# Research Program

## Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation

### A. U-DANCE-project

(Utrecht Dendritic Cells against Cancer)

- 1) Individualized Conditioning: Predictable IR
- 2) Development of Adjuvant Immunotherapies  
(cord blood-derived)

4PostDocs, 3PhDs, 2 Technicians  
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### B. HCT in Rare Diseases

(Focus on Lysosomal Storage Diseases)

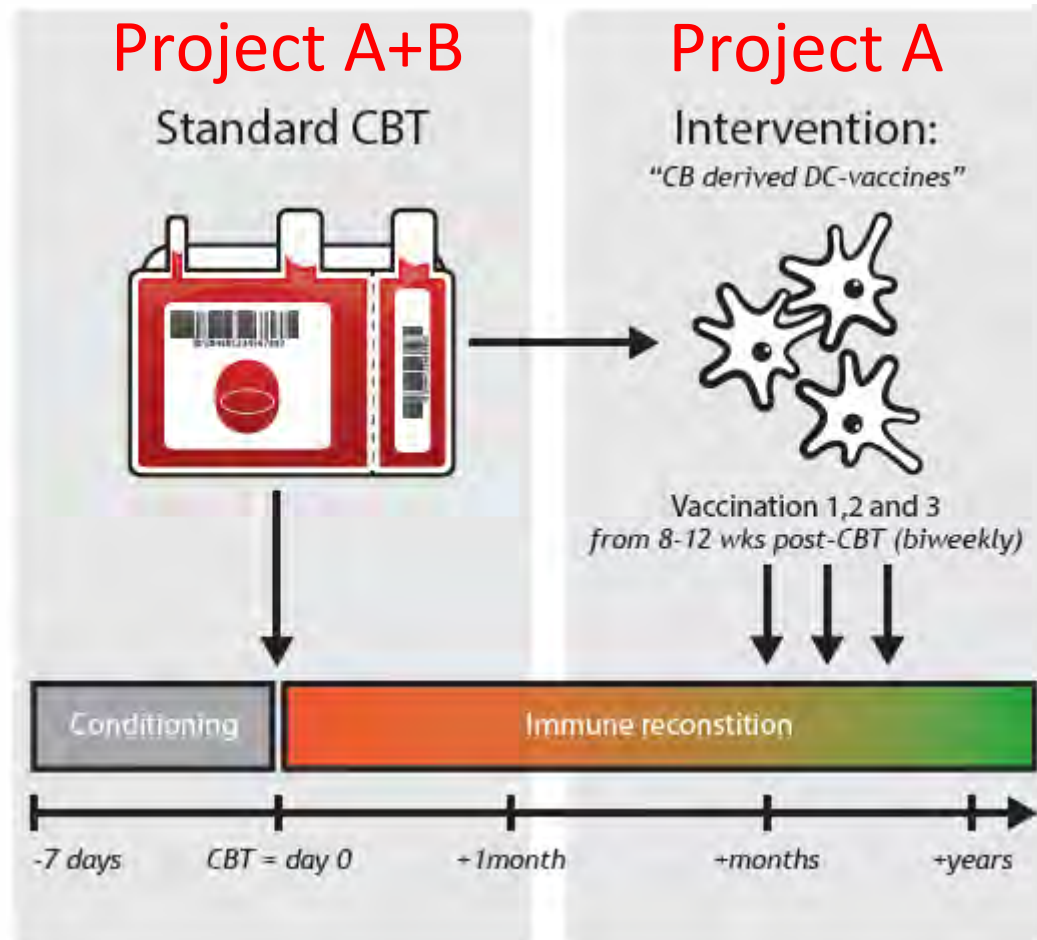
- 1) Identifying Predictors for Outcome  
(Short and Long Term)
- 2) Future Strategies

2PhDs, International Network



# Unrelated Cord Blood Central Theme in Research Program

## How to Increase Safety and Efficacy?



# Challenges in HCT

## 1. Reducing the toxicity of HCT:

1. Short term toxicity
2. Long term toxicity

## 2. Better disease control

Balancing Optimal disease control and reduced toxicity



# How to make HCT more efficient and safer?

## 1. Cord blood transplantation (CBT)

1. Lower relapse (Eapen 2007, Brunstein 2010, Milano 2015)
2. Prompt availability
3. Mismatch OK

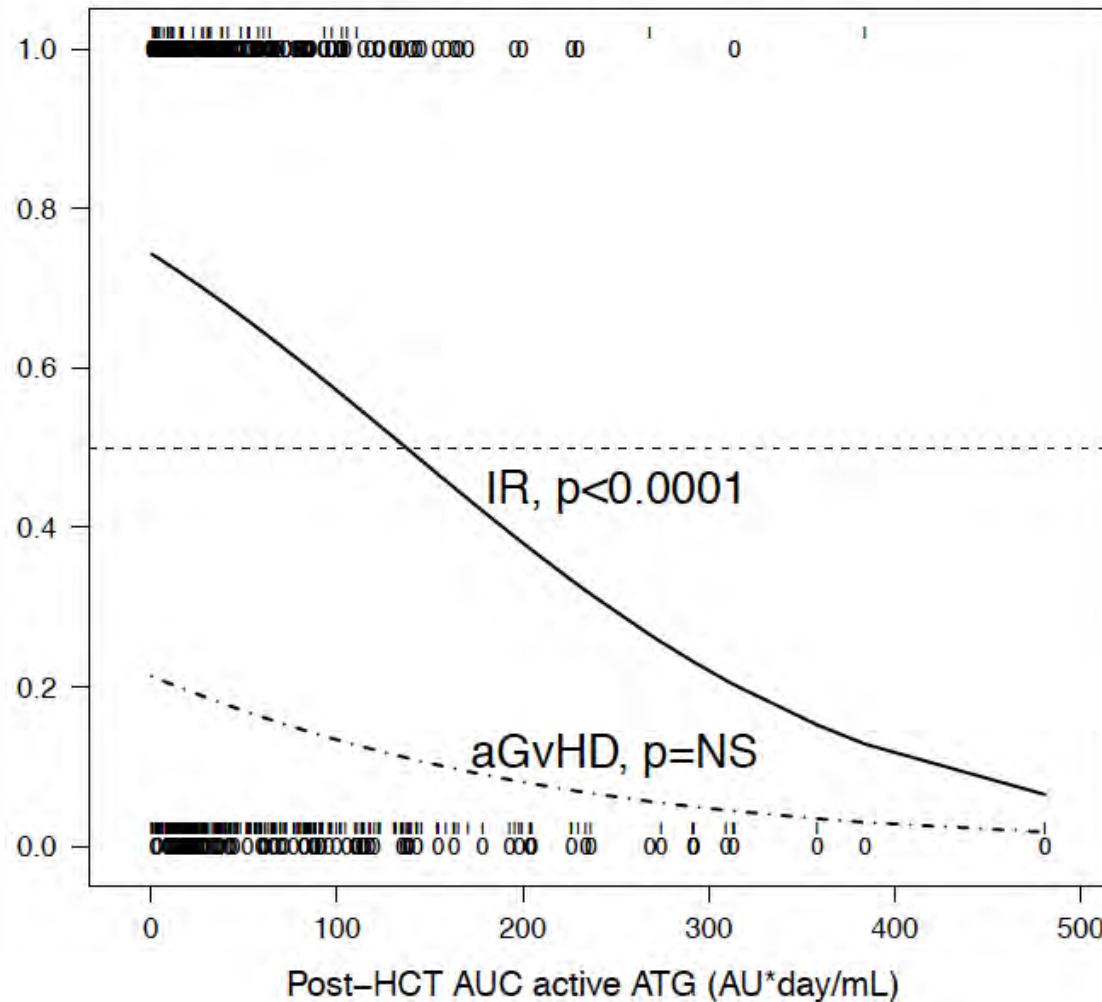
## 2. Individualized conditioning (PKPD): predictable Immune-Reconstitution

## 3. 1 + CB-derived DC vaccination

## 4. Advanced immunomonitoring



# Post-HCT exposure of active ATG is associated with IR but not with prop. on aGvHD



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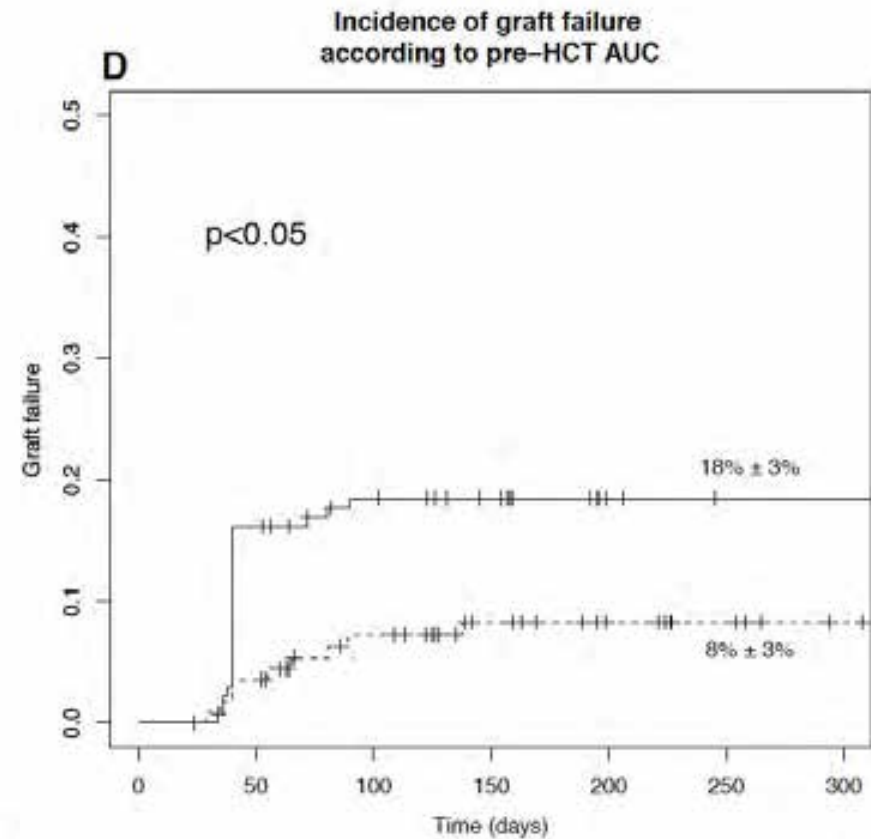
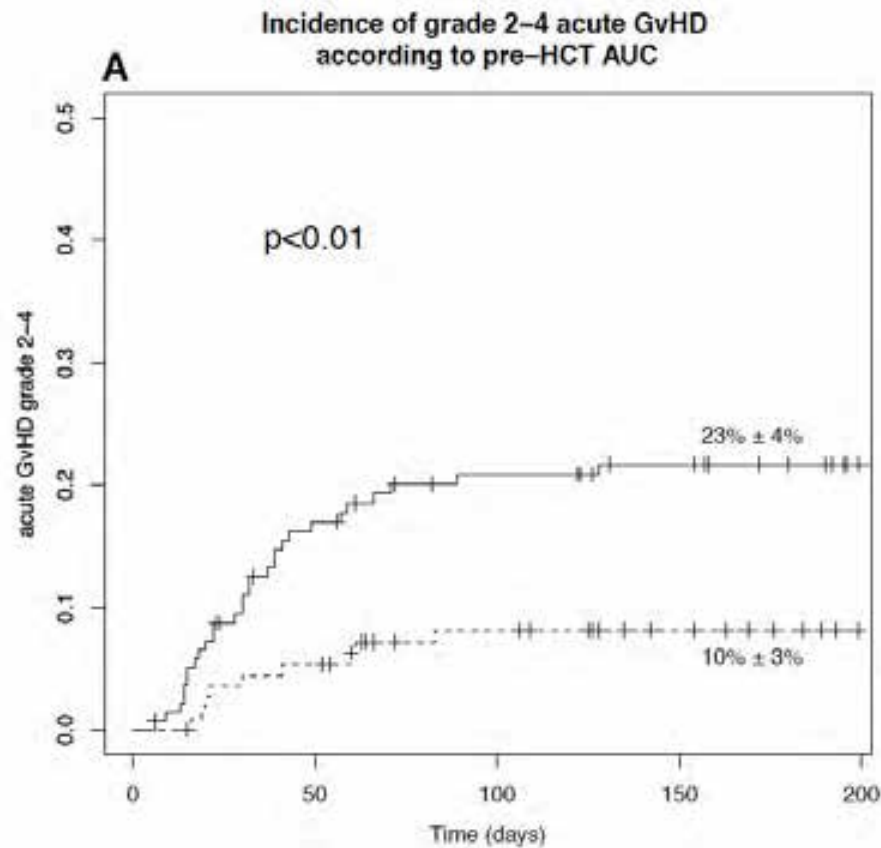


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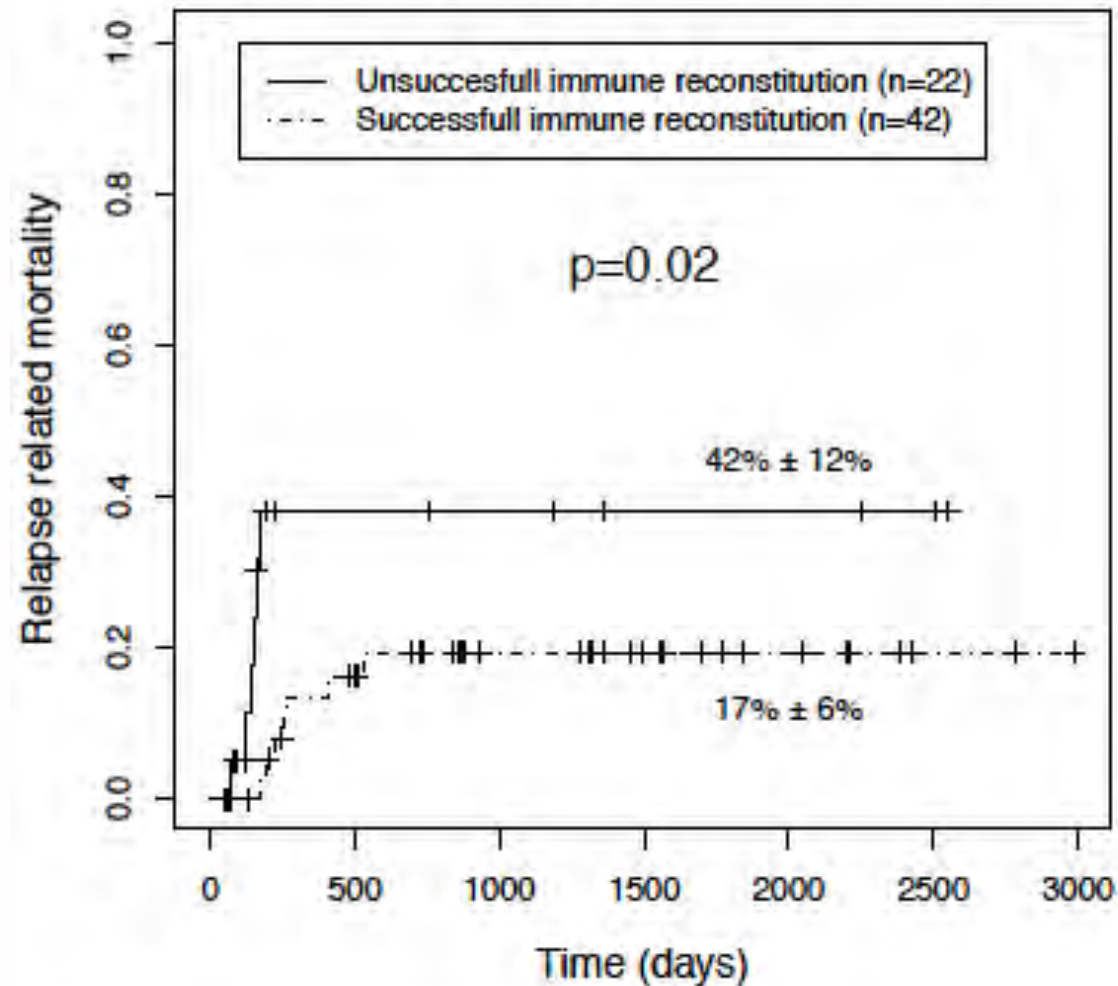


# Pre-HCT ATG-exposure (< > 40 AU\*day/mL) is associated with Prop. on aGvHD and Graft-Failure



# Prop on Relapse is associated with CD4+ Reconstitution in Myeloid Malignancies

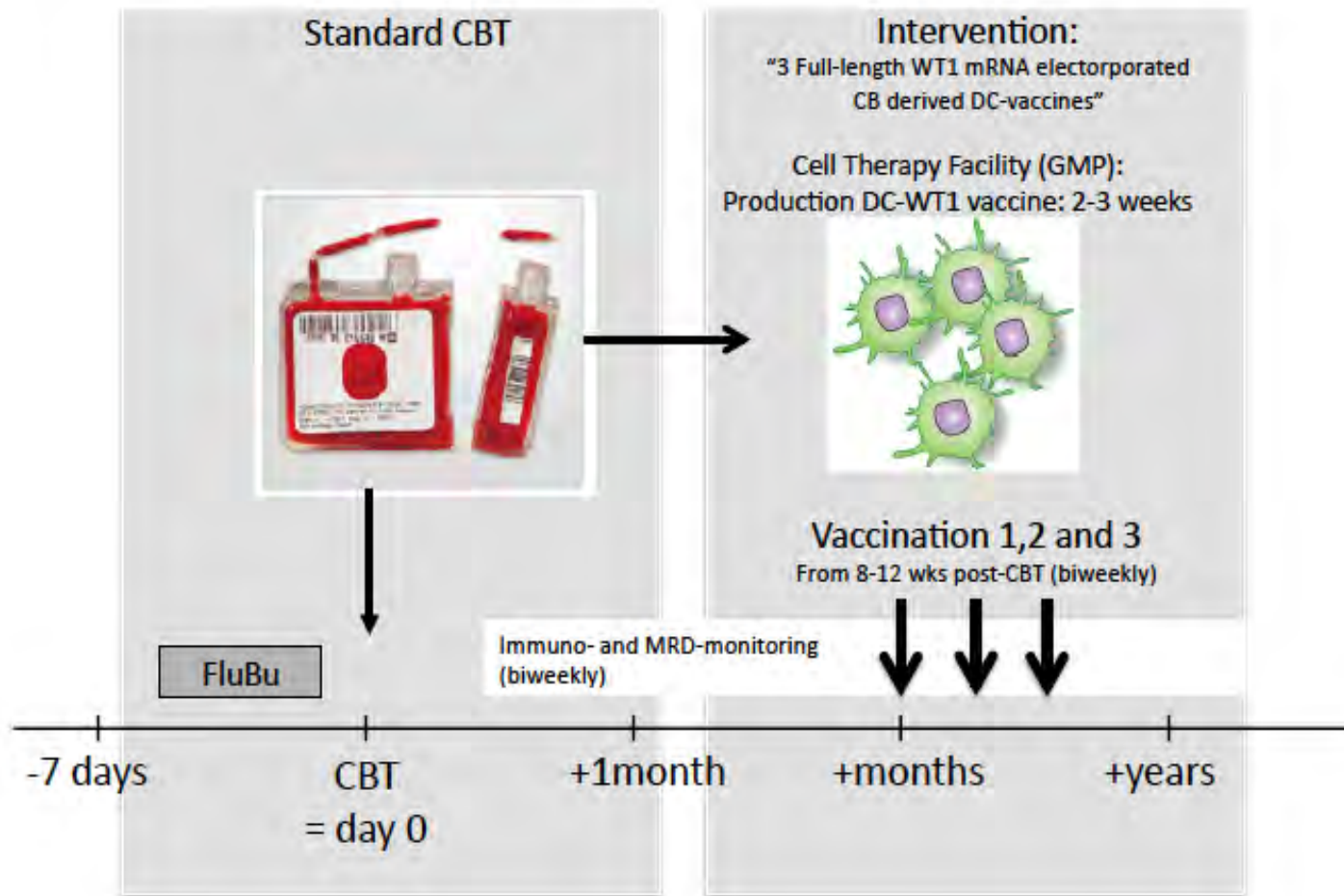
**Panel B**  
**RM according to CD4 IR in myeloid malignancies**





### 3. Pre-Clinical to Clinical Protocol (Phase 2)

Draft *“AML protocol”* >>> *move to clinic in 2015*





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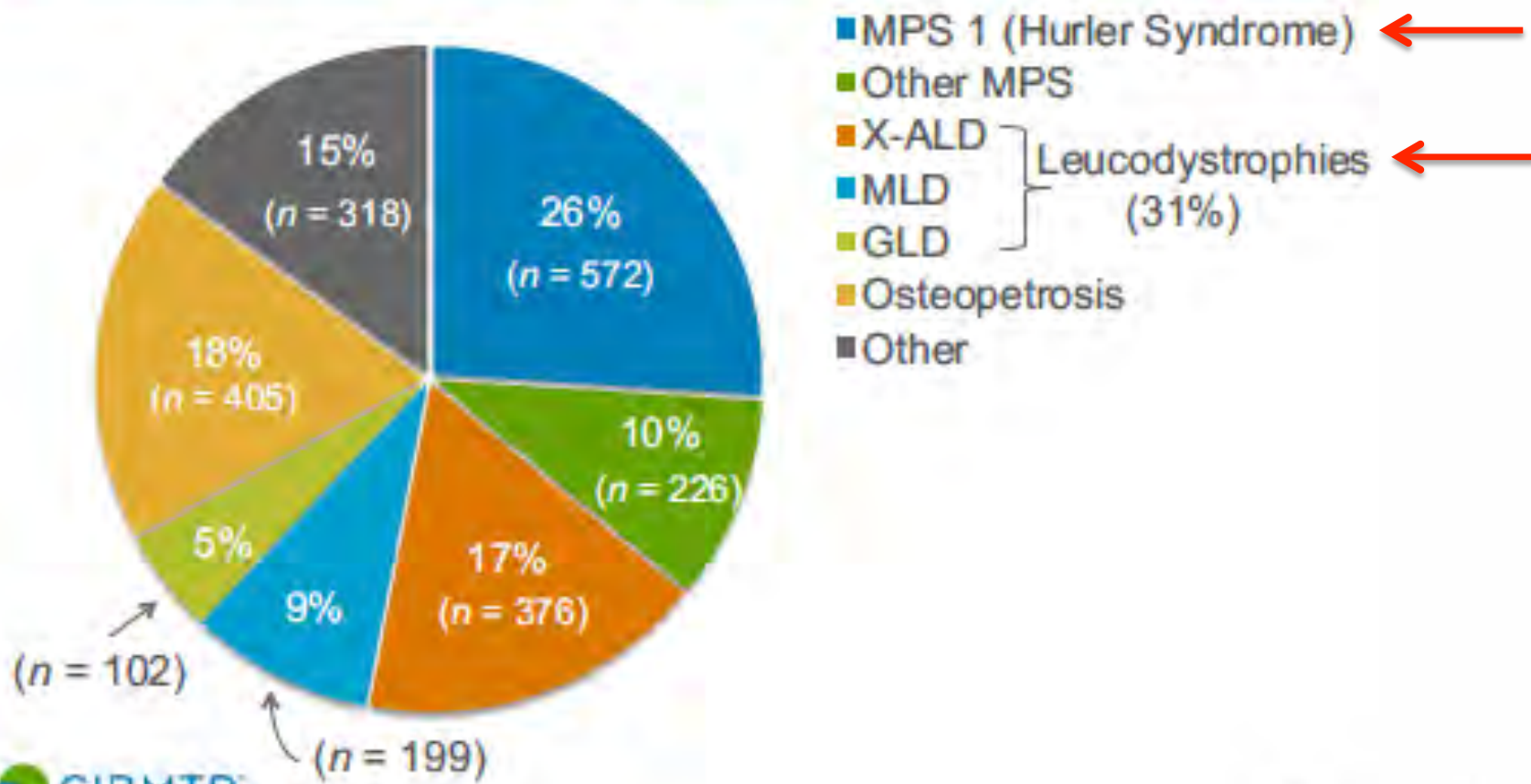
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Her fonds tegen Neuroblastoom kinderkanker



# Allogeneic Transplants for Inborn Errors of Metabolism Registered with CIBMTR, 1980-2013



>2000 HCTs since early 80s



# 1. Hurler syndrome: MPS-1

IDUA deficiency → GAG accumulation

MPS type I



'Mild'



Scheie  
9 years old

'Severe'

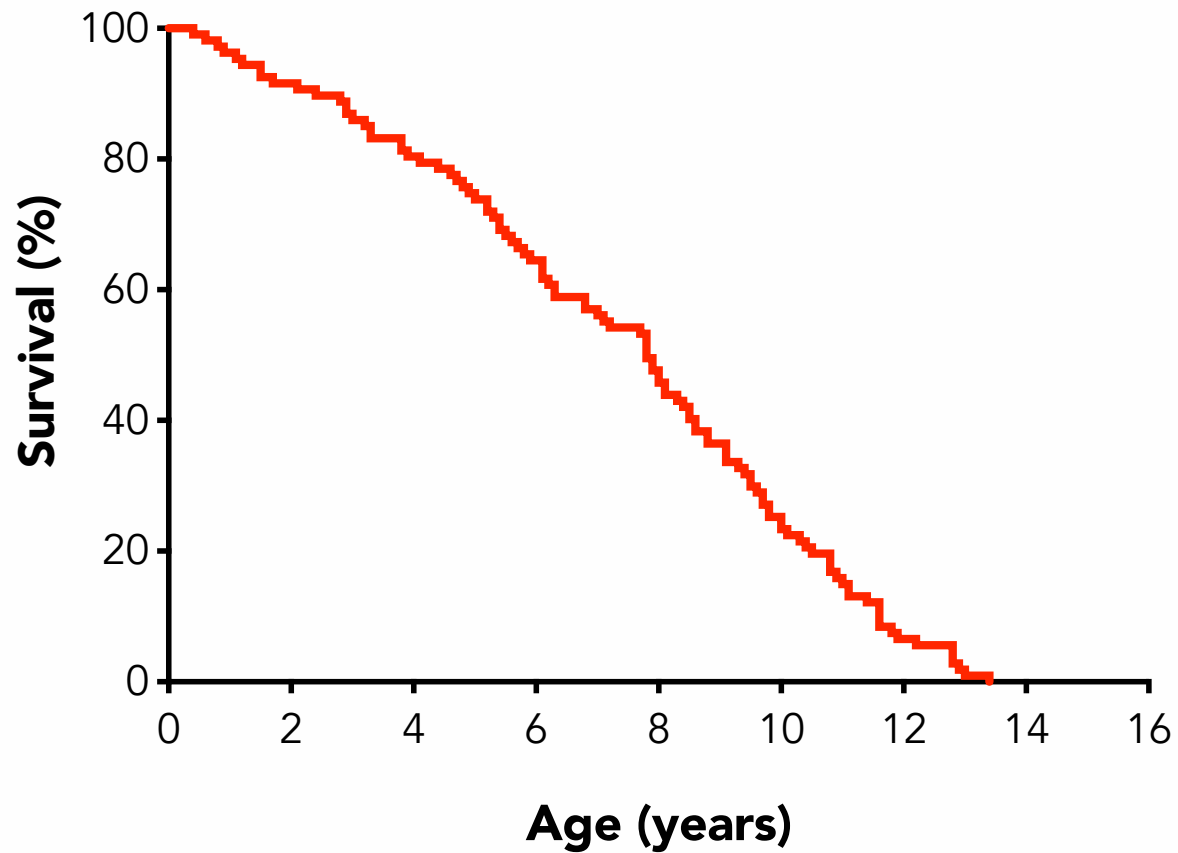


Hurler  
6 years old

- Mental retardation
- Orthopedic complications
- Blindness and deafness
- Cardio-respiratory failure
- Premature Death



# Hurler syndrome: No HCT - No survival

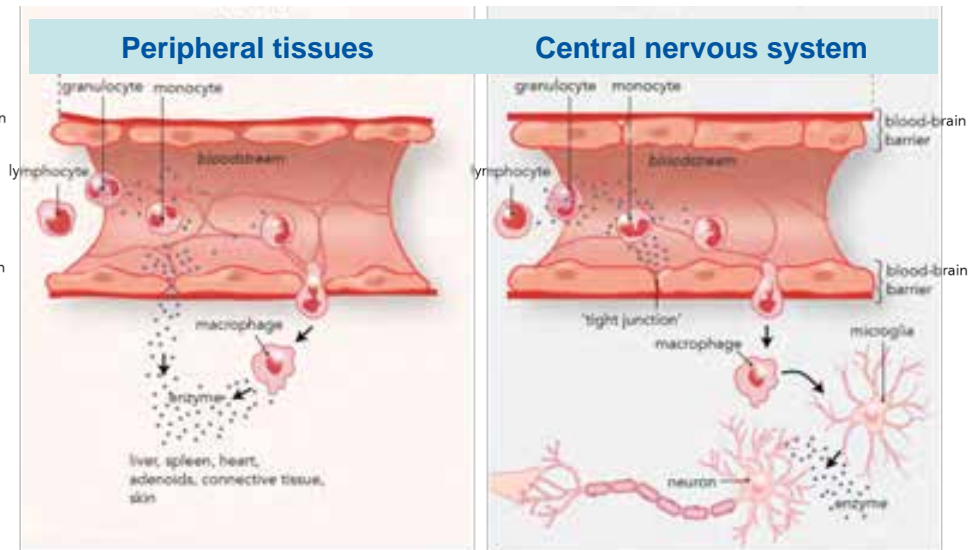
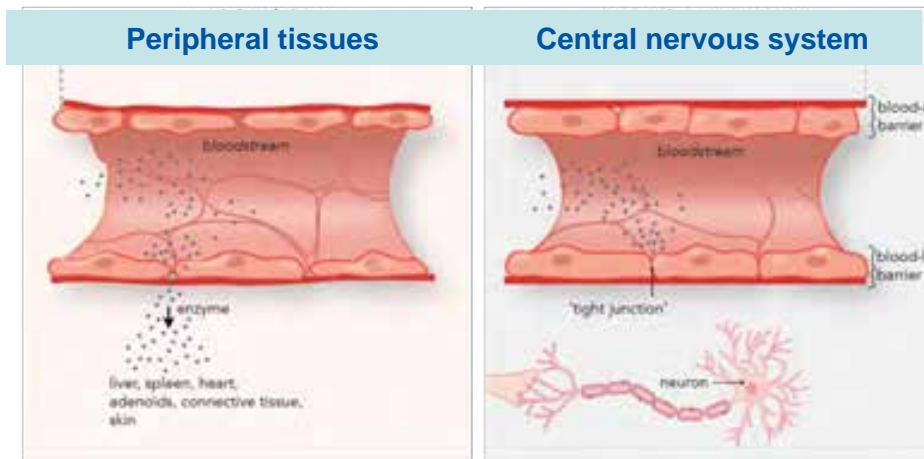




# Treatment options

Since 2003  
Enzyme replacement therapy

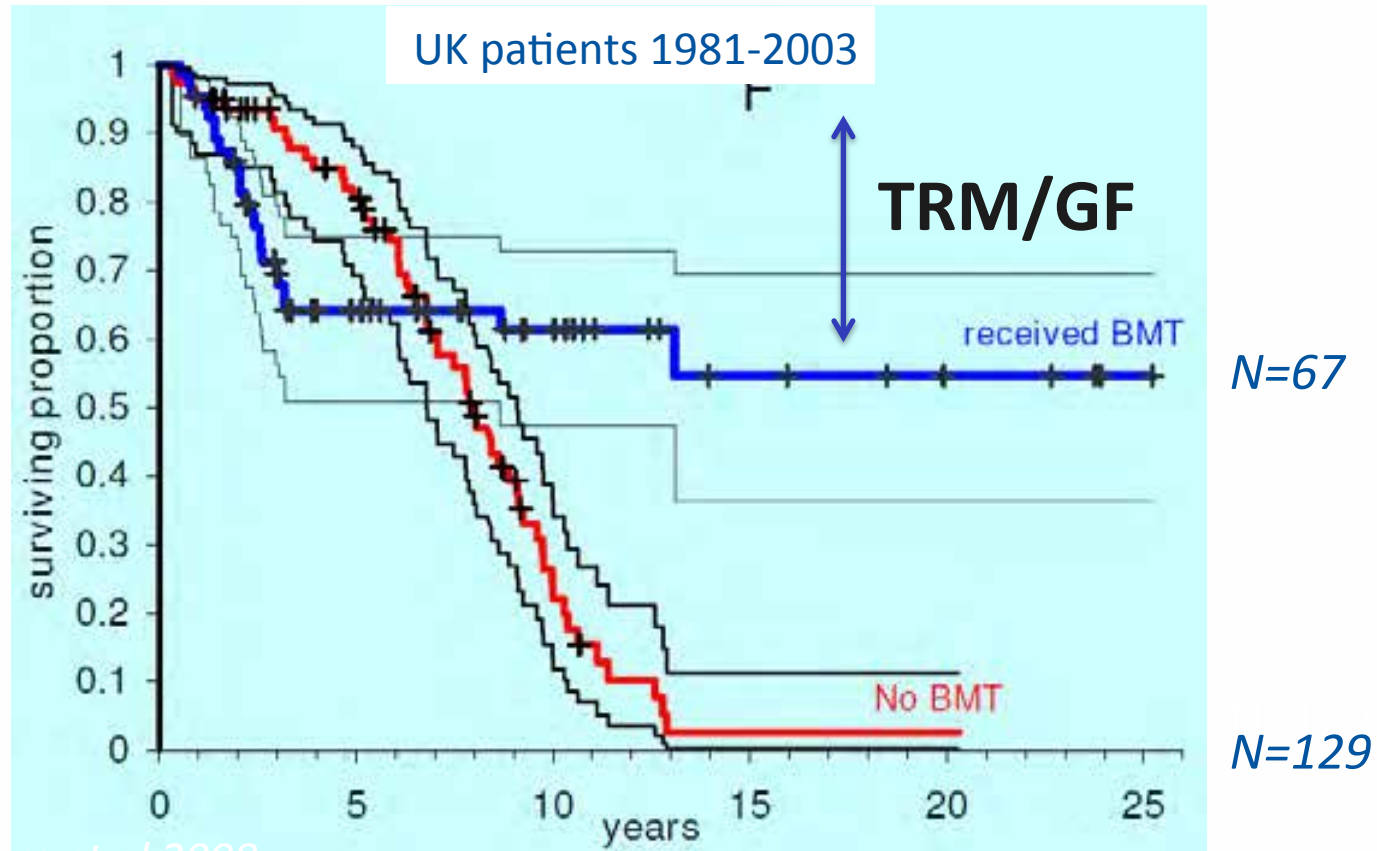
Since 1980  
Hematopoietic cell transplantation



**No CNS involvement: Scheie**

**CNS involvement: Hurler**

# Successful HCT influences long term survival of Hurler Syndrome patients



# How to optimize the outcomes?

## Studies on SCT in Hurler's Syndrome since 2004

1. Outcomes of HCT for MPS I in Europe (1994-2004): a risk factor analysis: *BMT 2007 (N=146)*
  - Predictors graft-failure: T-cell depletion, RIC
  - Predictor higher EFS: Busulfan with “therapeutic drug monitoring”
2. HCT in combination with Enzyme Replacement Therapy in patients with Hurler syndrome: *BMT 2006*
  - No impact, but poor performing patients became eligible for BMT
3. Outcomes of Cord blood transplantation for Hurler syndrome: an EUROCORD / DUKE Collaborative study: *BBMT 2009 (n=93)*
  - Predictor higher EFS: BuCy, interval Dx-CBT < 4.5mths, 6/6 CBU



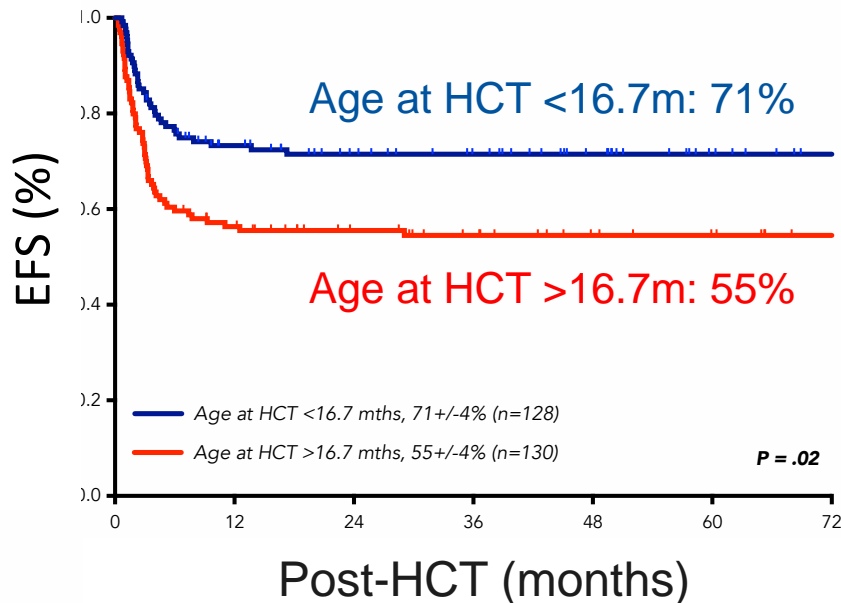


# 4. Survival & graft outcome – predictors

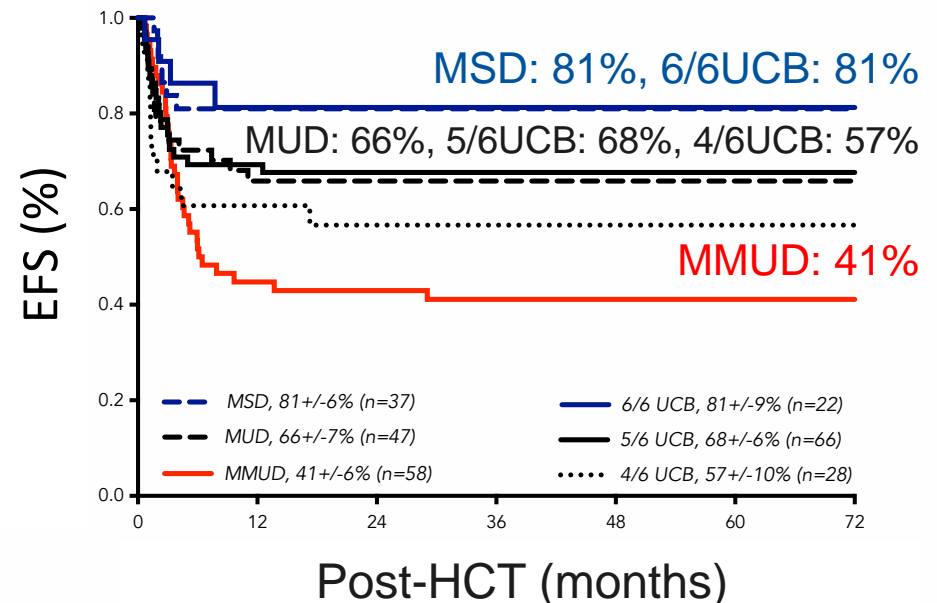
Duke University, Minnesota, CIBMTR, EUROCORD, EBMT

N=258 Hurler syndrome after myeloablative HCT 1995-2007: all sources

### Age at HCT



### Source / HLA matching



# Full Donor Chimerism (>95%)

N=258 (incl 116 CBs)

	UCB	UD	TCD-UD	idSIB
<b>Full donor chimerism (%)</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>70</b>
Mixed 50- 95% donor	7	17	26	20
Mixed <50% donor	<1	9	26	10
<b>Normal enzyme level (%)</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>56</b>

**Cord blood** significantly associated with higher full donor chimerism & normal enzyme levels (p< 0.01)



## New EBMT guidelines - HCT in IEM

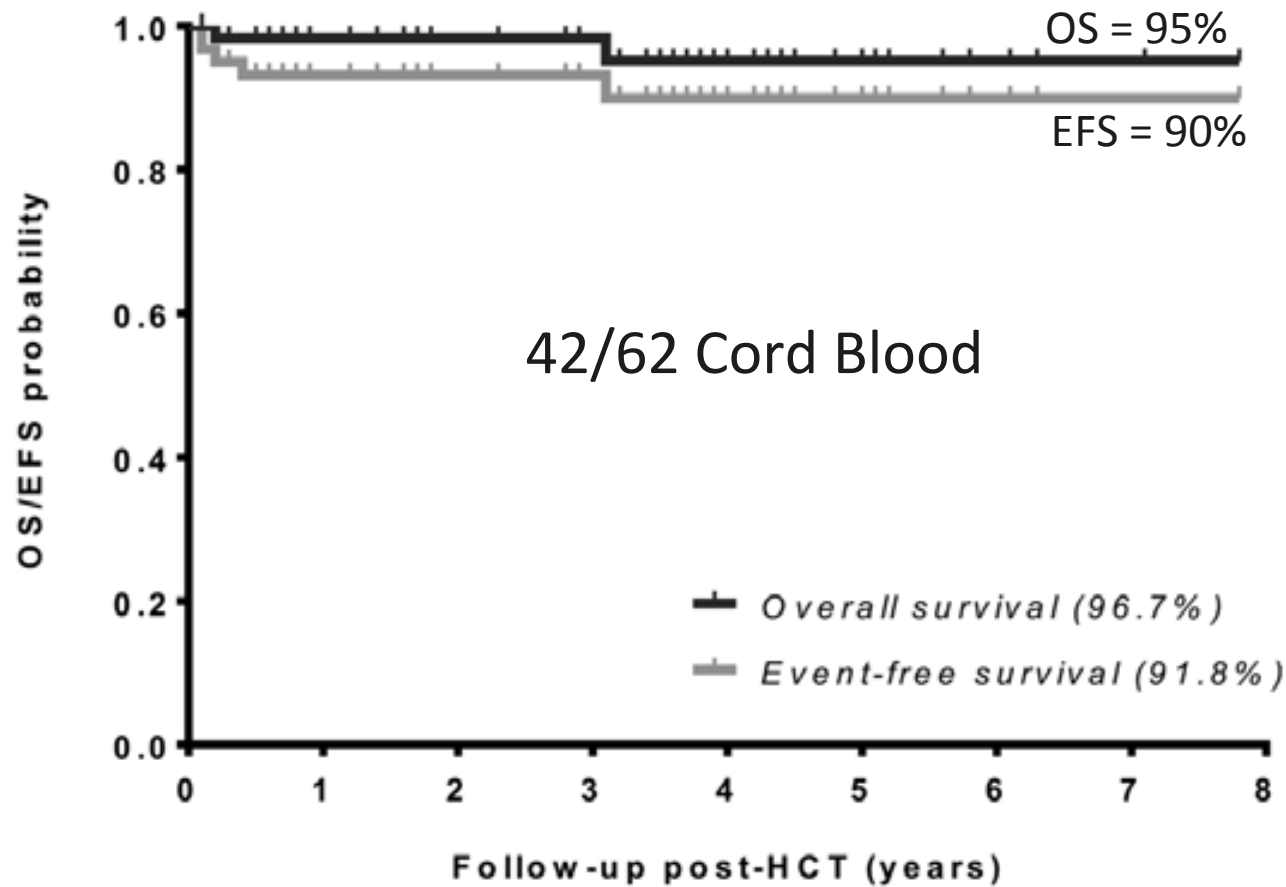
- Donor hierarchy
  1. Non-carrier MSD
    - Or Identical UCB (6/6 intermediate resolution)
    - Or Identical MUD (10/10 high-resolution typing)
  2. Mismatched UCB
- Conditioning regimen
  - Myeloablative: Bu/Cy (2008) or Flu/Bu (2012)
  - Bu drug monitoring recommended



# Utrecht / Manchester Data Since 2006 (n=62)

BuCy (29) and FluBu (33)

Med.age @ HCT = 13 mths



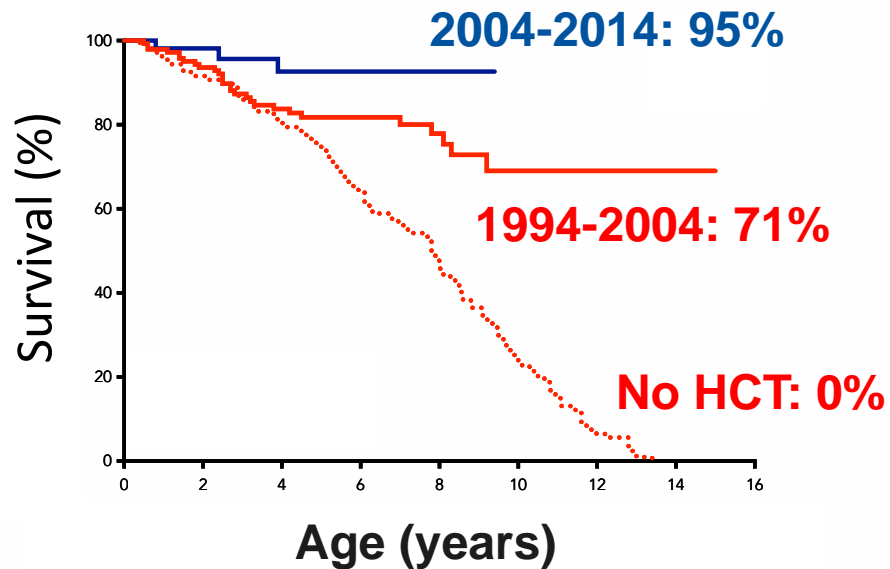
Note:  
Low GvHD  
No VOD  
<5% cGvHD



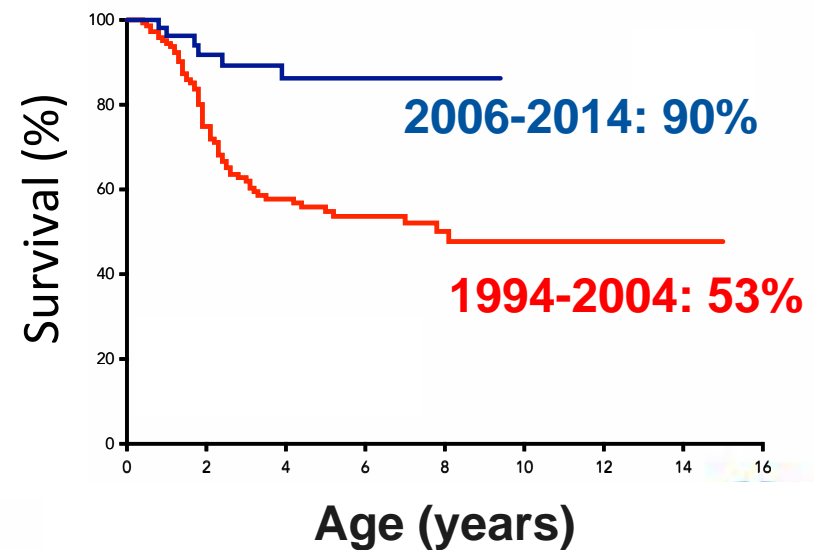
# Improved safety and efficacy

- N=62 MPS-patients
- HCT EBMT guidelines 2006-2014 (Manchester/Utrecht)

## Overall survival

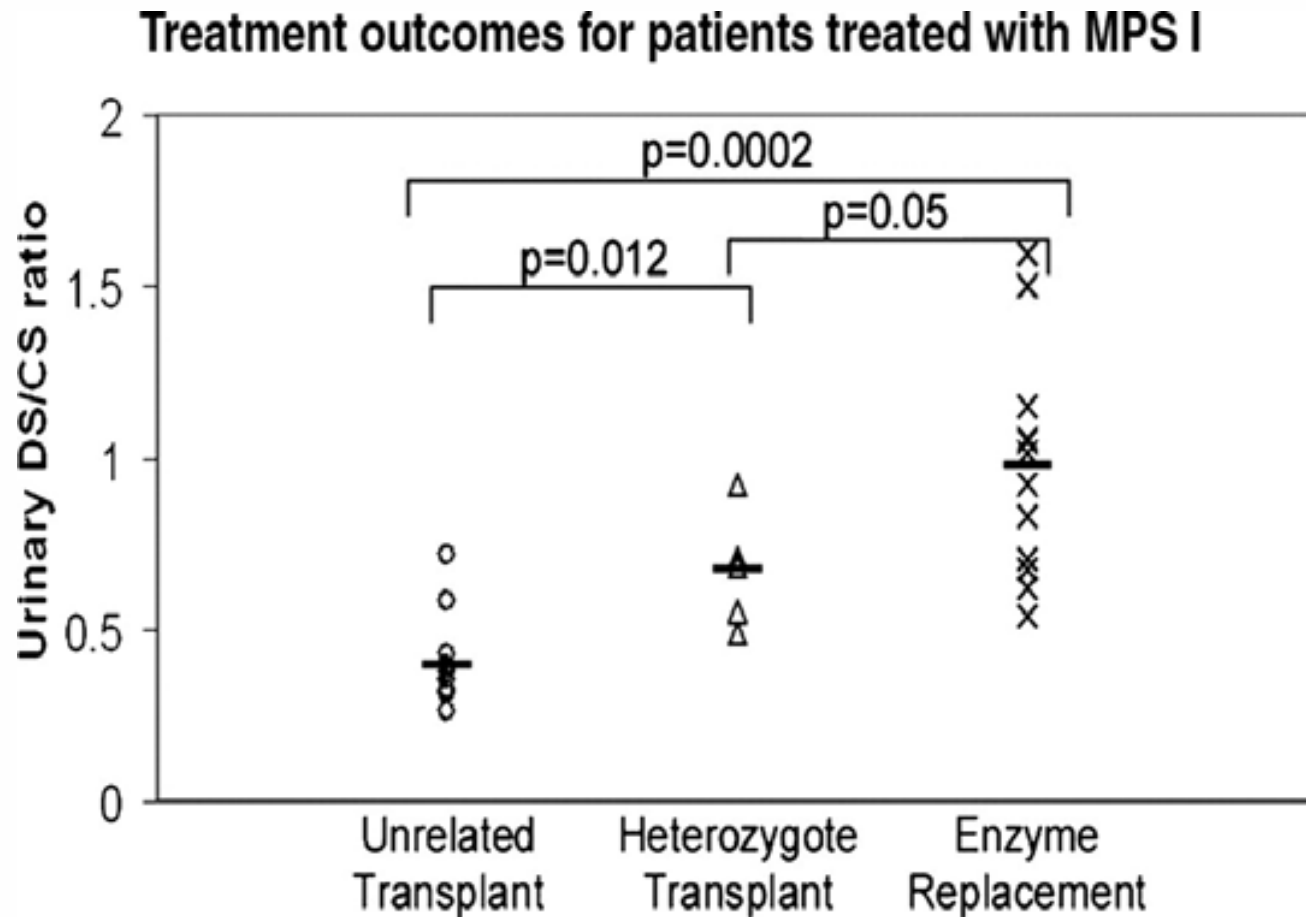


## Event-free survival (after 1<sup>st</sup> HCT)



# Urinary GAG excretion (DS/CS-ratio)

Influence of treatment



## Long term outcome Hurler syndrome post-HCT



High variability between Hurler patients post-HCT

Explanation?



# International collaboration

## Identifying predictors for Late Outcomes



**N=217 Hurler syndrome**

Age at HCT 16 (2-47) months

Follow-up age 9 (3-23) years

*Aldenhoven et al. Blood. 2015*





# How to collect these data?

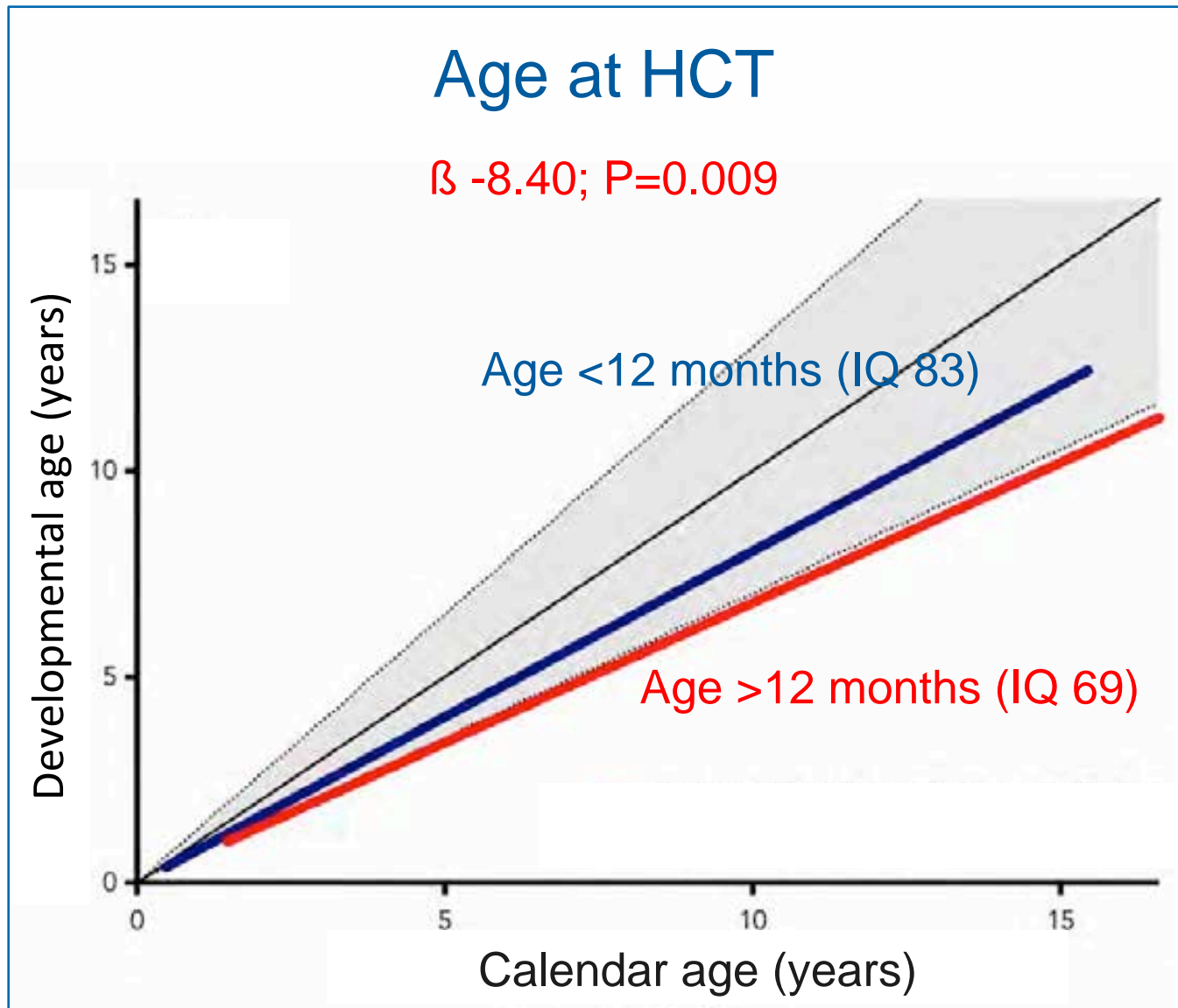
Mieke Aldenhoven:

Visited all (larger) centers  
in USA and Europe to  
collect data

PhD: 15th of Jan 2015



# Neurodevelopmental outcome: Predictors



Baseline IQ

$\beta$  -8.58; P=0.009

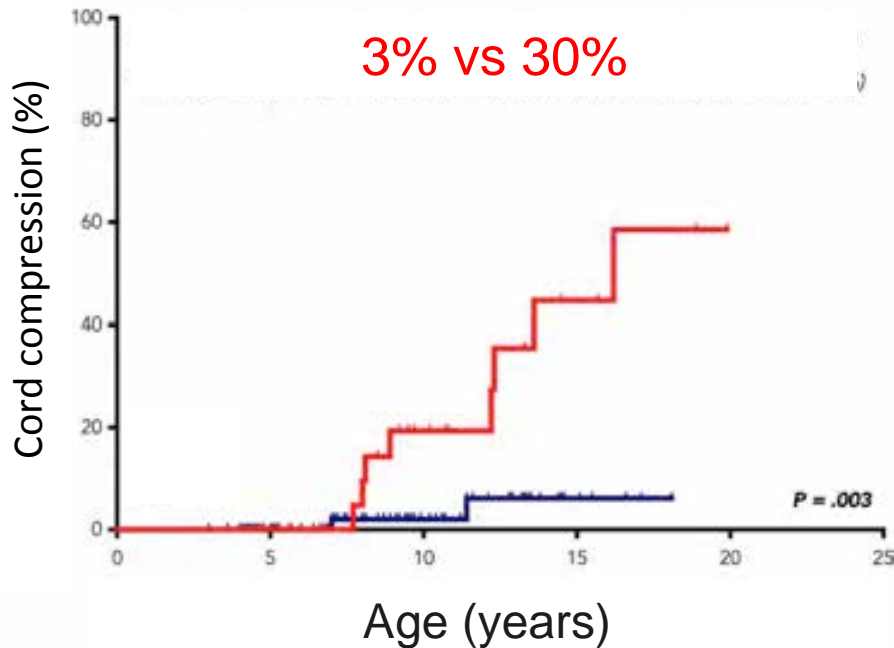
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$\beta$  -9.90; P=0.03

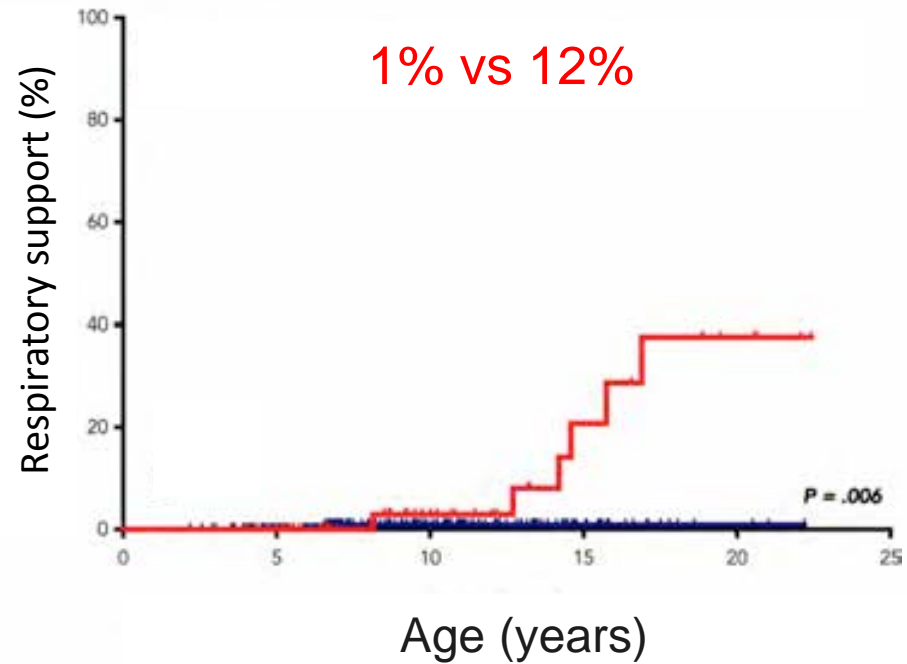


# Enzyme level Post-HCT Predictor for Outcomes

Cord compression



Respiratory support



**Multi-system effect**



# Outcome of cord blood transplantation for leukodystrophies

JOINT EUROCORD, EBMT and Duke University  
(Working Party Inborn Errors)

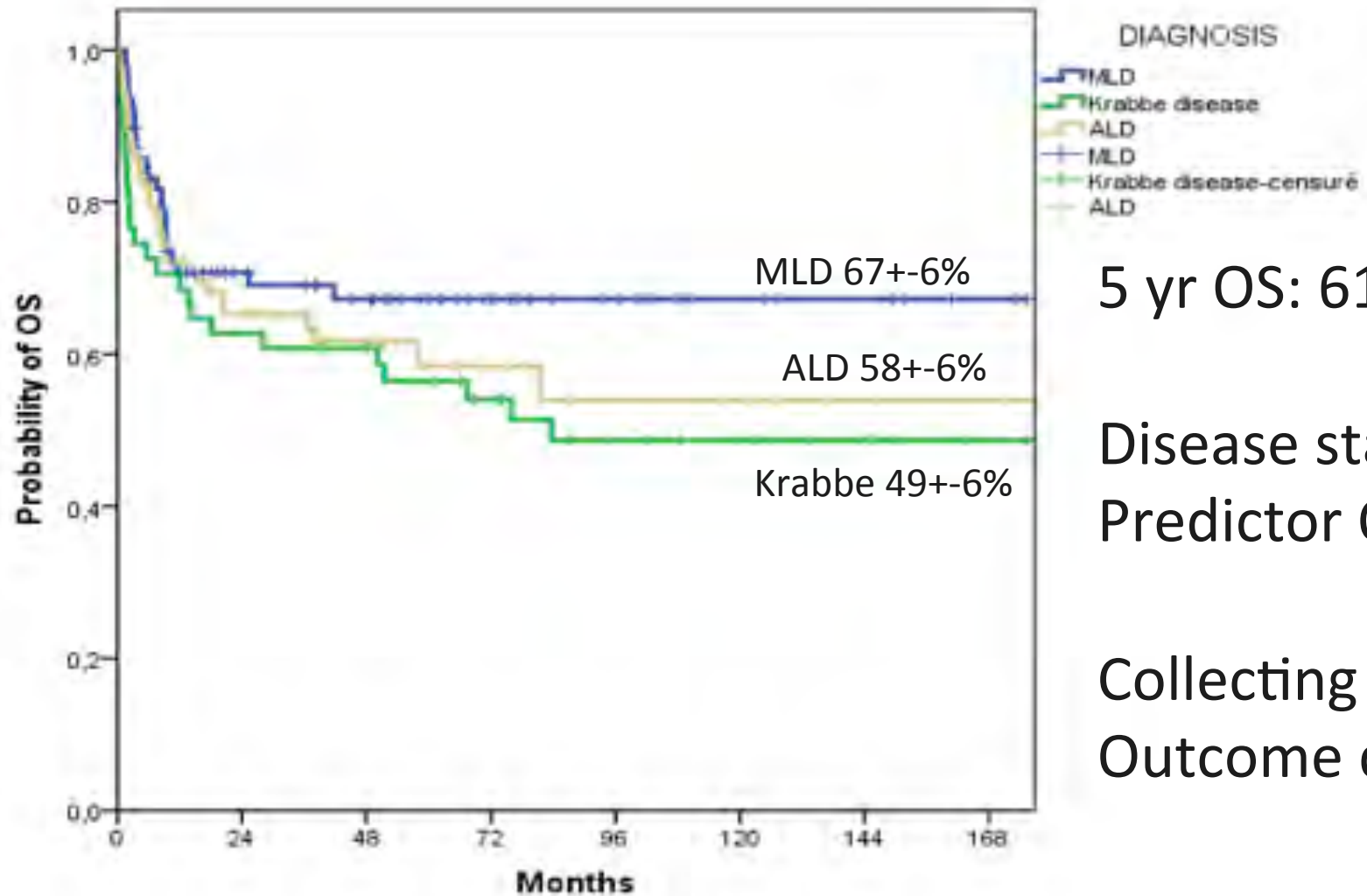
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# OS according to Leukodystrophy (n=220) Duke, EBMT, Eurocord



5 yr OS: 61 ± 3%

Disease status  
Predictor OS

Collecting Late  
Outcome data



## In summary: Hurler and HCT

- No fatal disease
- Improved safety & efficacy: >95% engrafted survival
  - Cord Blood Preferred Cell Source
- Age & enzyme level predictors for late outcomes
- Future:
  - Newborn screening!
  - Genetherapy: increasing the enzyme levels (supranormal)
    - MLD, X-ALD, MPS-3, (MPS-1)



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# 1. Newborn screening

**Challenge: phenotype prediction**



## 2. Gene therapy?

'No enzyme'   'Subnormal enzyme'   'Normal enzyme'   'Supranormal enzyme'



*No HCT*



*HCT*



*Gene therapy?*

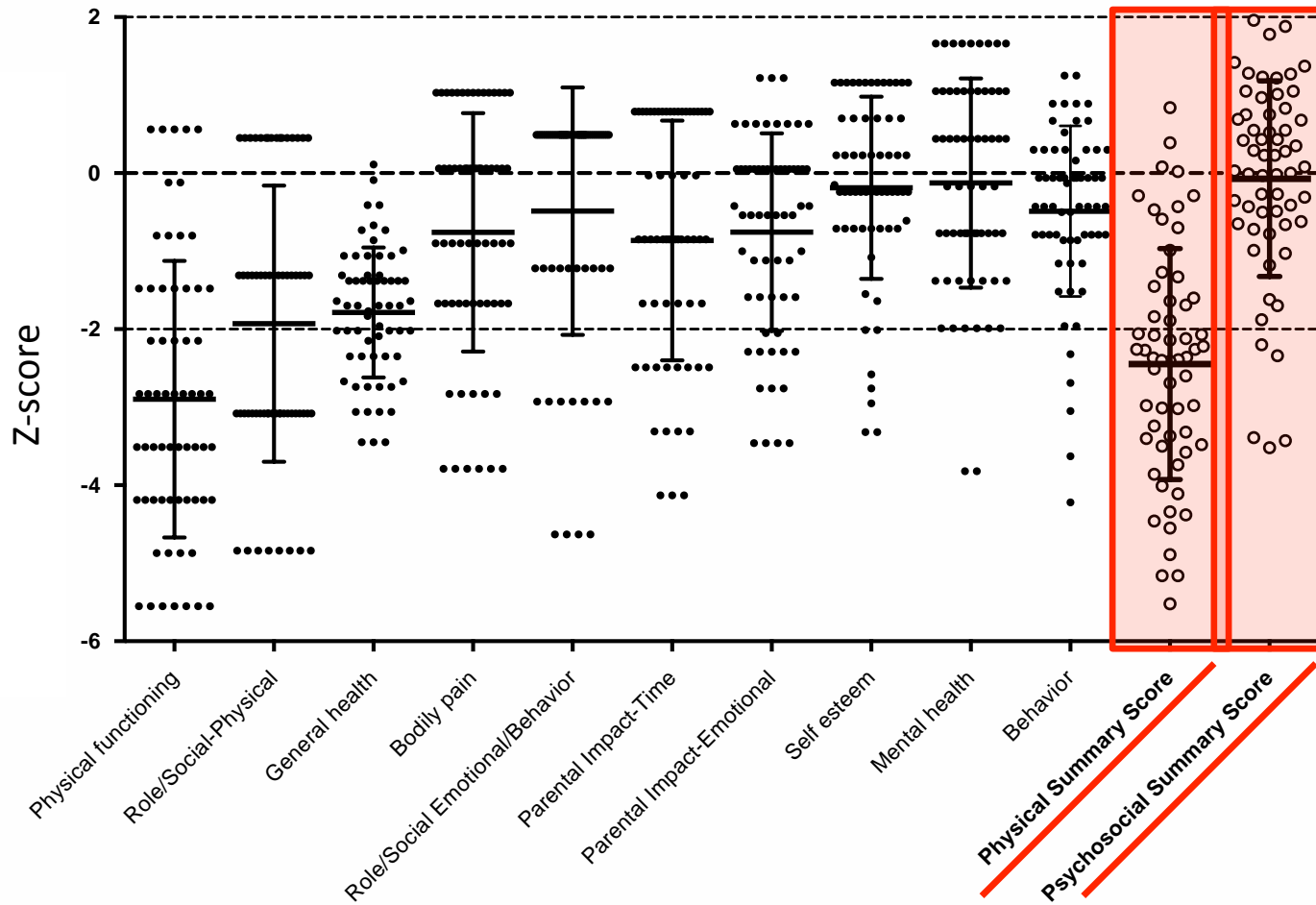


## In summary

1. With Individualized Conditioning and Adjuvant Immunotherapies: Better Disease Control
2. HCT in Lysosomal Storage Diseases:
  - Improved Safety and Efficacy
  - Newborn Screening and Genetherapy for Further improvement



# Quality of Life



Physical health: mean z-score -2.5 (SD 1.5)

Psychosocial health: mean z-score -0.1 (SD 1.3)

-Post-HCT enzymes Predictor

