NEWBORN SCREENING

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What's the newborn screening?

- The nationwide newborn screening (NS)
 = preventive program of testing newborns for increased risk of certain rare diseases
- NS tests are done by measuring metabolites in samples of whole blood collected on special filter paper ("newborn card" or "Guthrie card") – analysis of dry blood spots

Test card

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History

- NS debuted in US in 1960
- **Robert Guthrie** (1916 1995)
- American microbiologist, developed a simple method using a bacterial inhibition assay that could detect high levels of phenylalanine in blood shortly after a baby was born.
- Guthrie also used the collection of blood on filter paper which could be easily transported.



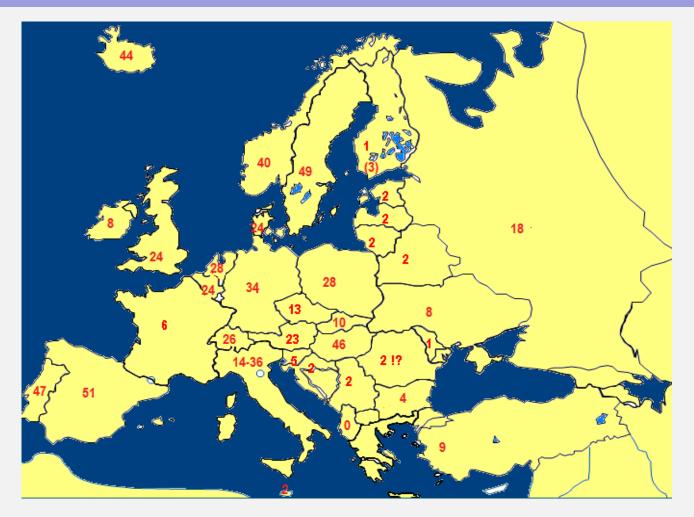
History of NS in the Czech Republic

- 1975 Phenylketonuria
- 1985 Congenital hypothyroidism
- 2006 Congenital adrenal hyperplasia
- 2009 Cystic fibrosis and 9 additional metabolic diseases
- 2016 further expansion of NS program (5 diseases: argininemia, citrulinemia, 2 types of homocystinuria, biotinidase deficiency)

At present there are **18 diseases tested** in the Czech Republic.

NS program is covered by health insurance

NS Europe - 2015



•Zdroj: ThereII BL et all: Current status of newborns screening worldwide: 2015. Seminars₆ in Perinatology 2015;39: 171-87

Methods of analysis

- Fluoroimunoassays (method DELFIA)
 - congenital hypotyreoidism (TSH)
 - congenital adrenal hyperplasia (17 OHP)
 - cystic fibrosis (IRT)
- Tandem mass spectrometry (MS/MS)
 - phenylketonuria and other disturbances of amino acid metabolism (aminoacids)
 - disorders of fatty acid oxidation (acylcarnitines)
- Molecular techniques
 - second step of NS CF

Automatic analyzer AutoDELFIA



Tandem mass spectrometer



Newborn screening Laboratories in the Czech Republic

For immunoanalytic method

- University Hospital Kralovské Vinohrady, Prague
- University Hospital, Brno

For tandem mass spectrometry

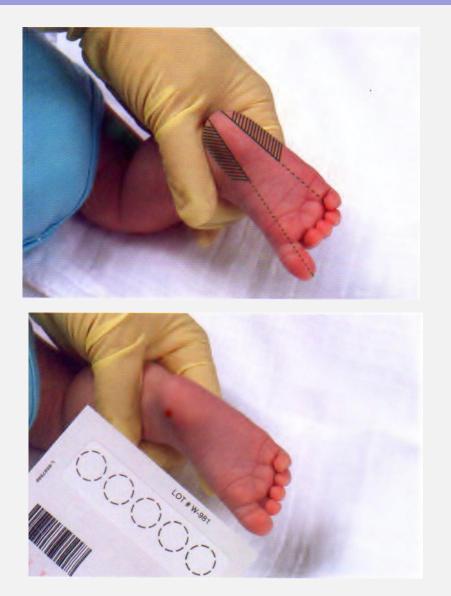
- General University Hospital, Prague
- University Hospital, Olomouc

Sample collection

- At the age of **48-72 hours after birth** several drops of capillary blood from the heel of the child are sampled on a special paper (newborn card)
- After the collection of blood it has to dry well, avoid contamination
- These cards are sent for analysis to the screening laboratories



Sample collection







Screening results

Evaluation of results – cut off = limit value

- <u>Negative result</u> no suspicion for any the screened disease
- <u>Positive result</u> indicates only increased risk of a disease

→ It is necessary to confirm this positive result, usually by use further laboratory tests

Results of NS in the Czech Republic 2010-2018

СН	334
PKU/HPA	184
CF	150
САН	84
MCADD	43
LCHADD	13
VLDADD	5
GAI	5
IVA	5
MSUD	5
CPT I	0
CPTII/CACT	0
ARG *	0
CIT *	0
BTD *	29
CBS *	1
MTHFR *	0
Total	858

* Diseases included to NS program since June 1st, 2016

Case – positive NS CF

- newborn birth in term, birth weight 3800g
- results of NS:
- > TSH < 2,5 mIU/L →NS CH negative
- > 170HP = 16 nmol/L \rightarrow NS CAH negative
- > IRT = 230 ng/mL > cut off \rightarrow molecular tests
- 2 mutations in CFTR gene [F508del]+[F508del]
- sweat test positive, Cl = 106 mmol/L (cutt off 30)
- dg. CF positive

Case – positive NS CAH

- newborn birth in term, birth weight 3350g
- results of NS:
- > TSH < 2,5 mIU/L →NS CH negative (cut off=15)
- > IRT = 12,8 ng/mL \rightarrow NS CF negative (cut off=65)
- ➤ 170HP > 315 nmol/l (700 nmol/l) → positive (cut off 20)
- S/Na = 128 mmol/l, S/K = 5,6 mmol/l, ACTH = 872 pg/ml, 17 OHP> 300 nmol/l (in venous blood)
- > dg. CAH, v.s. type SW



For more information about newborn screening program in the Czech Republic you can contact website:

www.novorozeneckyscreening.cz

(English version)



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