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Disorders of amino acid metabolism

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Metabolic disorders

- metabolic changes of proteins, carbohydrates, fats and water management (mostly mental or physical disability)
- 7000 described metabolic disorders (7% of total population), 700-800 -inherited

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- Heredity genetically determined enzyme defect causes metabolic block with pathological consequences
- enzymopathy- most often is a metabolic disorder caused by a defect in the enzyme - defective enzyme has reduced enzymatic aktivity or activity is completely missing
 - primary genetic background secundary - due to other disorders





Types of metabolic disorders

- Enzymopathy totaly described more than 200 defect enzymes function -phenylketonurie
 - acummulation spatial problem (glycogen storage disease, lipidosis)
 - increased toxicity (cysteinuria, gout)
 - conversion to other harmful metabolite
 - inhibits the metabolism of another enzyme, transporter, lack of product

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- Receptors and their disorders- receptor familial hyperlipidemia (hypercholesterolaemia)
- Disorders of molecular transport- cystic fibrosis
- Defect of structure of cells muscular dystrophy
- Regulation of sex differentiation- gen SRY
- Mitochondrial disease- Leber's optic atrophy
- Genes with so far unknown mechanism of action- Syndrome of fragile X (triplet disease)
- Wrong endocrine regulation- diabetes mellitus

Type of defect	Disability examples	
Defect of enzymes	PKU, galactosemia, adenosine deaminase deficiency	
Defect of receptors	testicular feminization, hypercholesterolaemia	
Defect of molecular transport	cystic fibrosis, hypertension	
Defect of cell structure	Duchenn and Becker´s muscular dystrophy	
Defect of homeostasis	antihemophilic globulin, immunoglobulins	
Defect of regulation of growth and differentitation	sex determination, inactivation of X chromosome, tumor suppressors	
Defect of intercellular communication	inzuline, growth hormone, sex differentiation Patobiochemistry-AA	
Defect of mitochondria	Leber's optic atrophy	

Metabolism of AA and proteins

- proteins from AA linked by peptide bonds (CO-NH) structure:
- – primary 20 AA
- secundary hydrogen and disulfide bonds globulin, β-sheet
- tertiary conformation in space
- - quaternary association of several protein subunits
- under physiol. pH mostly negative charge
- buffers (capability of binding H+)
- constant renewal and degradation of proteins associated with the synthesis and catabolism AA
- proteins significantly differ its half-life
- regulatory proteins, enzymes and transcription factors, usually several hours
- albumin 10 days
- muscle proteins ~180 days
- - hemoglobin ~120 days
- collagen several years
- - turnover in a 70 kg human of about 300 g proteins/day
- about 30g/day per day is required for the substrates for synthesis of nucleotides, glucose, ketone bodies and neurotransmitters
- about 35 55g/day is oxidized to water, CO2 and nitrogen (irreversibly eliminated as urea) there is no storage form of
 proteins
- AA "pool" is just such as it is an immediate need
- rest is oxidized and eliminated
- losses (and essential AA) must be paid by dietary protein intake
- essential: His, Val, Leu, Ile, Lys, Met, Thr, Phe, Trp
- nonessential AA may be formed esp. of intermediates of citric acid cycle
- nitrogen release from the AA in the form of Partobing and anthonium salts is toxic, therefore it is in the liver 5 processed in the urea cycle to a non-toxic urea, which is excreted in the urine

		amount	energy	
Energy store	tissue	(g)	(kj)	(kcal)
Glycogen	liver	70	1176	280
Glycogen	muscle	120	2016	480
Glucose	blood	20	336	80
Triacylglycerols	fat	15 000	567 000	135 000
Proteins	muscle	6000	100 800	24 000

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Protein requirements at diet



http://uk.geocities.com/david.bender@btinternet.com/images/proteinoverview.png

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Protein digestion and resorption AA in GIT

proteins in GIT - ~50% from diet, very different "digestibility" proteins - little digested elastin, keratin, mucin

enzyme digestion of proteins, resorption AA and di- and tripeptides by enterocytes of small intestine via transporters (SLC, solute carriers – many types), concentration AA in cell is generally much higher than extracellularly therefore is active maintaining

- Na+ -dependent transport act. transport Na+ facilitated diffusionNa+/AK (=symport)
- Na+ -independent
- facilitated diffusion(=uniport)
- resorption whole proteins in diet
- limited potential
- through endocytosis
- and/or at the sites of epithelia



- it's used for systemic enzyme, therapy (capsule resistant to the effect of HCl and pancreatic enzymes)

Digestion of Proteins



Disfunctions of protein's metabolism



AMINOACIDS

- basic structural components (structural proteins, enzymes, hormones, purines, ·plasma proteins, amines, heme)
 source of energy carbonaceous residues of the amino acids incorporated into Crebs cycle, by protein metabolism is produced ammonia—
- urea ightarrow ornithin cycle
- proteins are not stored in stock

		incidence	affected enzyme
	hyperphenyla laninemia	1:6500 (ČR), 1:13 000 (world)	phenylalaninhydroxylase(98 %) , tetrahydrobiopterin (2 %)
	tyrosinemia I	1:100 000 (world)	fumarylacetoacetathydrolase
$\mathbf{\mathbf{\nabla}}$	tyrosinemia II	rare	tyrosinaminotransferase
urea	tyrosinemia III	rare	4-hydroxyphenylpyruvate dioxygenase
	alkaptonuria	1:100 000 - 1:1 000 000 (world), 1:19 000 (Slovakia)	homogentisate-1,2- dioxygenase
	homocystinur ia	1-9:1 000 000 (world)	cystationin ß-syntase
	cystinuria	1:7000 (USA)	defect of renal transport of certain amino acids
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	propionic acidemia	rare	propionyl-CoA carboxylase
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Disorders of AA metabolism

- 1) Aminoacidopathy
- 2) Organic aciduria
- 3) Disorders of ammonia detoxification



Disorders of AA transport Disorders of peptides metabolism

TEST

Table 17–2 Some human genetic disorders affecting amino acid catabolism			TEST	
Medical condition	Approximate incidence (per 100,000 births)	Defective process	Defective enzyme	Symptoms and effects
Albinism	3	Melanin synthesis from tyrosine	Tyrosine 3-mono- oxygenase (tyrosinase)	Lack of pigmenta- tion; white hair, pink skin
Alkaptonuria	0.4	Tyrosine degradation	Homogentisate 1,2-dioxygenase	Dark pigment in urine; late- developing arthritis
Argininemia	<0.5	Urea synthesis	Arginase	Mental retardation
Argininosuccinic acidemia	1.5	Urea synthesis	Argininosuc- cinate lyase	Vomiting, convulsions
Carbamoyl phosphate synthetase I deficiency	>0.5	Urea synthesis	Carbamoyl phosphate synthetase I	Lethargy, con- vulsions, early death
Homocystinuria	0.5	Methionine degradation	Cystathione β-synthase	Faulty bone development, mental retarda- tion
Maple syrup urine disease (branched-chain ketoaciduria)	0.4	Isoleucine, leucine, and valine degradation	Branched-chain a-keto acid dehydrogenase complex	Vomiting, convul- sions, mental retardation, early death
Methylmalonic acidemia	<0.5	Conversion of propionyl-CoA to succinyl-CoA	Methylmalonyl-CoA mutase	Vomiting, convul- sions, mental retardation, early death
Phenylke- tonuria	8	Conversion of ph@atobiochemi to tyrosine	Phenylalanine stryhAAroxylase	Neonatal vomiting; mental retardation

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Disorders of AA metabolism

· A). AMINOACIDOPATHY

- Accummulation of AA, variations in degradation of AA in the cytosol
- Ammonia accumulation
- Carbon skeleton accumulations of organic acids
- Product deficiency
- Deficiencies of mitochondrial enzymes (dehydrogenase of ketoacids with branched chain) *leucinesis*
- It doesn't include CoA-activated metabolites
- Accummulation of toxic metabolites, phenylalanin, phenylpyruvate, phenylacetate -PHENYLKETONURIA (specific organ damage)
- Diagnosed by determination of metabolites level
- diets

B) ORGANIC ACIDURIAS

- Deficiency of the enzyme in the mitochondrial metabolism, CoA-activated carboxylic acids
 - several dozens of diseases
 - common feature: excretion of carboxylic acids (test-organic acids in urine)
 - orginin usually from carbon skeleton degradation of AAs (or saccharides or lipids)
 - usually acute presentation- "intoxication type"
 - metabolic acidosis common (combination with hyperammonemia frequent)

Disorders of aromatic AA metabolism (Phenylalanin, Tyrosin)

PHENYLALANIN \rightarrow TYROSIN (phenylalanine hydroxylase)

1) hyperphenylalaninemia

deficiency of phenylalaninehydroxylase - classical phenylketonuria (PKU) defect dihydrobiopterinreductase - hyperphenylalaninemia type II and III defect of dihydrobiopterin biosynthesis (cofactor) - hyperphenylalaninemia type IV and V

AR hereditary disease

accumulation of phenylalanine and metabolites (phenylpyruvic, phenyllactic, phenylacetate,

o-hydroxyphenylacetate acid)

disbalance of plasmatic AA: damage brain development,

phenylalanine inhibits enteral resorption of tyrosine (compete together for a transporter) \rightarrow impaired catecholiamines and melanines synthesis (skin pigmentation and hair is reduced) \rightarrow

irreversible mental retardation (high level of Phe harms brain), seizures, psychosis, eczema,

urine odor after mice, light pigmentation (blond hair and blue eyes even in the case that there is no genetic predisposition)

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metabolite sukcynilaceton accumulates in the blood, which damages the liver, kidneys, CNS and PNS, particular manifestation of sick is selfharming

Tyrosinemia type 2- deficiency of the enzyme tyrosine aminotransferase (disability eyes, skin and the CNS)

Transient tyrosinemia or hyperphenylalanemia in newborns- Delaying the enzyme phenylalanine hydroxylase,

A transient increase tyrosine in plasma in the first 2 weeks of life, given the delayed maturation enzymes of tyrosinaminetransferase or 4-hydroxyphenylpyruvatedioxygenase in liver

3) alkaptonuria

defect of homogentisate oxygenase

high concentration of homogenetisic acid (oxidation homogenetisate on benzochininacetate \rightarrow generalized pigmentation binder, sclerae, ears, skin), arthritis (hips, ankles, spine), kidney damage (urolithiasis) and heart valves (aortic or mitral regurgitation valves), calcification of the aorta, urine darkens on light (brown pigment alkapton)









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<u>Diet therapy</u> (until the end of the development of the CNS - i.e. up to about the 20th year of life), serving saptoterin (Kuvan) \rightarrow synthetic versions of the natural THBP (increases the activity of phenylalanine hydroxylase, whether the problem is faulty enzyme or THBP), serving L-DOPA (substitution for the formation of catecholamines), LNAA trasporter (large neutral amino acids trasporter - blocking transfer of Phe at high levels through the <u>blood brain barrier</u>





<u>Phenylalanine hydroxylase</u> → monooxygenase = engages only one O, arises from the second water H2 donor for the formation of water is <u>tetrahydrobiopteridin (THBP</u>), after releasing H2 arises dihydrobiopteridin (DHBP), it is reduced DHBP reductase back to THBP



http://www.elmhurst.edu/~chm/vchembook/images/635pku.gif

Phe is accumulated (hyperphenylalaninemia - up to 150-630mg /l plasma) and is converted to phenylpyruvate and phenyllactate and excreted in the urine, often is Patobiochemistry excreted as phenylacetylglutamine

defect <u>phenylalanine hydroxylase</u> classical phenylketonuria (PKU)



The first enzyme in the catabolic pathway for phenylalanine (Fig. 17-26), phenylalanine hydroxylase, catalyzes the hydroxylation of phenylalanine to tyrosine. A genetic defect in phenylalanine hydroxylase is responsible for the disease phenylketonuria (PKU). Phenylketonuria is the most common cause of elevated levels of phenylalanine (hyperphenylalaninemia). Phenylalanine hydroxylase inserts one of the two oxygen atoms of O2 into phenylalanine to form the hydroxyl group of tyrosine; the other oxygen atom is reduced to H2O by the NADH also required in the reaction. This is one of a general class of reactions catalyzed by enzymes called mixed-function oxidases (see Box 20-1), all of which catalyze simultaneous hydroxylation of a substrate by O2 and reduction of the other oxygen atom of O2 to H2O. Phenylalanine hydroxylase requires a cofactor, tetrahydrobiopterin, which carries electrons from NADH to O2 in the hydroxylation of phenylalanine. During the hydroxylation reaction the coenzyme is oxidized to dihydrobiopterin (Fig. 17-27). It is subsequently reduced again by the enzyme dihydrobiopterin reductase in a reaction that requires NADH.

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Metabolites of phenylalanine



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When phenylalanine hydroxylase is genetically defective, a secondary pathway of phenylalanine metabolism, normally little used, comes into play. In this minor pathway phenylalanine undergoes transamination with pyruvate to yield phenylpyruvate (Fig. 17-28). Phenylalanine and phenylpyruvate accumulate in the blood and tissues and are excreted in the urine: hence the name of the condition, phenylketonuria. Much of the phenylpyruvate is either decarboxylated to produce phenylacetate or reduced to form phenyllactate. Phenylacetate imparts a characteristic odor to the urine that has been used by nurses to detect PKU in infants. The accumulation of phenylalanine or its metabolites in early life impairs the normal development of the brain, causing severe mental retardation. Excess phenylalanine may compete with other amino acids for transport across the blood-brain barrier, resulting in a depletion of some required metabolites.



Alternative pathways for catabolism of phenylalanine in phenylketonurics. Phenylpyruvate accumulates in the tissues, blood, and urine. Phenylacetate and phenyllactate can also be found in the urine.

Untreated HPA/PKU



 CZ 1:6,500, Turkey 1:3,000, very rare Finland, N Europe 1:15,000

- 1-2% HPA secondary due to primary pterine defectsl
- 30% patients BH4 sensitive
- newborn screening
- untreated HPA- mental retardation, typical mouse odour, light complexions, eczema, epilepsy
- maternal HPA-VCC, microcephaly a PMR

disease is included in the <u>newborn</u> <u>screening</u> (method of tandem mass spectrometry (from 1. 10. 2009); earlier Guthrieho test – collected blood of a child /4.–5.day after childbirth/ is added to colony of *Bacillus subtilis*, bacillus survives just in the blood rich in Phe)



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Boy with untreated PKU http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/newborn/images/PKU_untreated.jpg

Hyperphenylalaninemia + Phenylketonuria

- consequence of untreated disorders mental retardation
- treatment strict diet with low intake of Phe to about 15 years of age
- later less strict diet
- <u>many products contains sweetener aspartame</u>, unsuitable for phenylketonurics, hydrolysis releases phenylalanine



Function of Phe in org.

- Phenylalanine occurs in 3 forms: L-phenylalanine, What is the natural form of which is found in proteins, D-phenylalanine, which is a mirror image of L-phenylalanine produced in the laboratory, and DLphenylalanine, a combination of D- and L-forms. L-Phe form is part of the protein, while the D-form acts as a painkiller.
- The amino acid **Phe** is the immediate precursor of **tyrosine** (**Tyr**), is converted primarily to that amino acid which is used in the biosynthesis of the dopamine and norepinephrine neurotransmitters

Treatment - dietary measures

- For a whole life
- The high content of Phe have these foods :
- eggs, milk, cheese, meat, poultry, fish, dried beans and legumes, high content of protein - excluded from food
- Treatment with BH4 -tetrahydrobiopterin, some patients don't respond
- responsive to BH4 therapy depending on their PAH gene mutation.
 Sapropterin dihydrochloride (Kuvan, BioMarin Pharma) is an orally active synthetic form of BH4.
- Note: the same symptoms showed similar disease (hyperphenylalaninemia), which, however, has a different basis. The cause of this disease is a deficiency of one of four enzymes that are involved in the formation and metabolism of <u>tetrahydrobiopterin BH4</u> <u>- see herein above</u>
- Another possibility is therapy with enzyme replacement

Content of Phe in food

Average content of phenylalanine (PHE) in various types of foods

Food	Average content of PHE in 1g of protein (mg)	
Fresh fruits	27	
Fresh vegetables	35	
Fresh mushrooms	29	
Potatoes and	49	
products made from	it	
Milk and dairy	51	
products		
Bakery products	58	
Pork meat	44	
Beef meat	48	
Smoked meat	46	
Fish	43	
Nuts	51	
Corn	55	
Yolk	49	
Egg white	69	
Candies, chocolate,	50	
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PAH Mutations Associated with BH4-Responsive HPA



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Large Neutral Amino Acid Supplementation

Other novel therapeutic approaches can be categorized by the site of action or target organ (Figure 2) [17]. These categories include enteral, systemic, liver-directed approaches. Dietary restriction of Phe intake is an example of enteral approach. Alternatively Large Neutral Amino Acid (LNAA) can be used. LNAA can compete with the same transporter of Phe across the gastrointestinal and blood brain barrier to reduce Phe absorption and entry into the brain [18]. A double blind, placebo-controlled study indicated a significant decline in blood Phe concentration in patients with PKU treated with LNAA for 2 weeks suggesting that LNAA compete with the transport of Phe in the gastrointestinal trac [19]. These studies suggest that adding LNAA to the diet of patients with PKU could reduce blood Phe concentrations.

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2.hypertyrosinemia

Tyrosinemia type 1 - deficiency of enzyme fumarylacetoacetate hydroxylase

- **Metabolite succinylacetone accumulated in blood**, damaging liver, kidneys, PNS a CNS. Particular manifestation is is self-harming of the pacient
- Tyrosinemia type 2- deficiency of enzyme tyrosine-aminotransferase (impairment of eyes, skind and CNS)
- Transient tyrosinemia or hyperphenylalaninemia of the newborn delayed activation of enzyme phenylalanine hydroxylase,
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Tyrosinemia type I

defect in **fumarylacetoacetate hydrolase** (expressed mainly in the liver and kidneys) and probably also in maleinylacetacetatehydrolase,

AR hereditary

high level Tyr (60-120mg / l plasma) and Met, the high level of metabolites affect activity of other enzymes and transport systems - severe pathology hepatorenal failure (cirrhosis of the liver, hepatomegaly, coagulopathy, Fanconi syndrome - a disease of the proximal tubules of the kidneys, excretion of phosphate \rightarrow hypophosphatemic

infliction of CNS (cramps, hyperextension, self-injury, respiratory arrest), ascites, accumulated metabolites (maleylacetoacetate, fumarylacetoacetate) and their derivatives (succinylacetone and succinylacetoacetate) make glutathione derivatives (removal of function of one antioxidant) - tissue damage caused by radicals

•acute tyrosinosis without treatment \rightarrow diarrhea, vomiting •smell of cabbages, die within 6-8 months (liver failure)

• chronic tyrosinemia \rightarrow symptoms are the same, but weaker individuals die within 10 years

• sooner treatment diet without Phe, Tyr; Today NTBC \rightarrow p-blocker of hydroxyfenylpyruvathydroxylase





the drug NTCB inhibits phydroxyphenylpyruvate dioxygenase, intercepting the degradative pathway upstream of the toxic metabolites
dietary restriction of tyrosine required to prevent neurological deficit

<u>Treatment</u>:

Metabolic defect is treated by diet with lowincome of tyrosine (Tyr) and (Phe) into adulthood, in serious cases \rightarrow failure of liver functions, liver transplantation

Treatment

<u>Nitisone</u> - known as NTBC, substance originally developed as a herbicide.

Now - substance used for slowing the effects of

<u>tyrosinemia type I</u>.

For the first time for this indication was used in 1991 averted the need of using transplantation of liver damaged by this disease such as the treatment of first choice. It is studied in connection with alkaptonuria. Commercial name of the drug - Orfadin.

The mechanism of action of nitisinon involves reversible inhibition of 4-hydroxyphenylpyruvate oxidase and performs preventive forming of maleylacetoacetic acid and fumarylacetoacetic acid.

Tyrosinemia type II. (Richter-Hanhart syndrome)

- defect in liver tyrosintransaminase
- Conversion of <u>tyrosine</u> to acetate manifested by disease called keratosis
- very rare disease, AR hereditary
- elevated levels of tyrosine (40-50mg / l plasma)
- mild mental retardation, hyperkeratosis (on the palms and soles feet), inflammation of the conjunctiva, corneal ulceration, <u>nystagmus</u>, <u>glaucoma</u> (turbidity by tyrosine crystals), tyrosine and its metabolites are present in urine
- treatment by diet
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Metabolic disorders of aromatic AAs (phenylalanine, tyrosine)

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FENYLALANINE -> TYROSINE

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Treatment - diet, ascorbic acid (vit. C) ٠ prevents the binding of homogentisicacid. to binder, administration of NTBC



- BCAA (branched chain amino acids)
- all three are essential
- the first reactions of catabolism are similar (transamination oxide. decarboxylation dehydrogenation) final products are different
- leucine ketogenic AA
- after eating, their representation in blood is high (about 70% of all AA), because the liver do not use them (lack of aminotransferases)
- most utilized by muscle and CNS
- favorably affect the catabolic states (infusion)

Metabolism of branched AMK overview

1. transamination (transaminase) \rightarrow 2-oxoacids (val \rightarrow 2-oxoisovalerate,

leu \rightarrow 2-oxokapronate, ile \rightarrow 2-oxometylvalerate

- 2. dekarboxylation
- 3. dehydrogenation (specific multienzyme dehydrogenase)
- the first three reactions common to all these AMK, AMK are going through liver
- Common reactions

transamination (first reaction) by common transaminase (highest activity in myocardium and skeletal muscle, low in the liver) - corresponding 2-oxo acids are formed (2-val \rightarrow oxoisovalerate, leu-oxokapronate \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow ile-oxometylvalerate); hypervalinemic block

- decarboxylation (the second reaction) and dehydrogenation (the third reaction) takes place in the mitochondria → specific multienzyme dehydrogenase → acyl-CoA which is one carbon shorter than the original oxoacids is formed; block (2 - dekarboxylation) at the maple syrup disease; block (3 dehydrogenace) at isovaleric acidemia
- result:
- Val \rightarrow methylakryoloyl-CoA
- Leu $\rightarrow \beta$ -metylkrotonoyl-CoA
- Ile \rightarrow tigloyl-CoA



Compare the final products



Metabolic disorders of branched AMK (Val, Leu, Isoleucine)

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- 2. dekarboxylation Leucin Isoleucin Valin 3. dehydrogenation (specific multienzyme dehydrogenase) transamination Hypervalinemia α-ketoisovalerát α-ketoisokaproát α-keto-β-metylvalerát low activity of transaminase common for valine, **Dekarbocylation**, dehydrogenation a very rare disease, Maple syrup disease (leucinosis) Isovaleryl-CoA Isobutyryl-CoA α-metylbutyryl-CoA

deficit or insufficient activity decarboxylase/dehydrogenase complex increased levels of Val, Leu and Ile, and 2-oxoacids

brain damage, failure to thrive, drowsiness, coma and later vegetative nerve problems (abnormal heart activity - bradycardia, hypothermia), severe dehydration

Intermittent forms of leucinosis

less severe modification of decarboxylase, metabolism of Val, Ile, and Leu is reduced but maintained, symptoms of leucinosis appear later and occasionally, (after ingestion of large amounts of AMK)

Isovaleric acidemia

deficit of isovaleryl-CoA-dehydrogenase

metabolic acidemia (pH 7,3), ketonuria, hyperammonemia, hypocalcemia, hyperlactémie, odor of breath, body fluids, coma after ingestion of large amounts of protein, Generalized pancytopenia

methylmalonic aciduria

Caused by avitaminosis B12. B12 is a cofactor of the enzyme which converts methylmalonyl-CoA to succinyl-CoA (radical isomerization) metabolic acidosis

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Maple syrup disease

- Disorder in Leu, Ile, Val mtb branched amino acids deficiency of dehydrogenase/decarboxylase complex of branched AA,
- organic acids are accumulated (alpha -ketoacids derivatives) severe toxicity, increased levels of Val, Leu and Ile, and 2-oxoacids
- deficit or insufficient activity decarboxylase
- Excess of toxic metabolites always after increased amount of branched AA, eg. an infant postpartum weight loss, protein degradation -fever, starvation, diet, disease
- clinical manifestation: (sweat, urine breath odour after maple syrup, caramel, dried fruit)
- Newborn soon after birth, lethargy, or does not accept breastfeeding weak suck, irritability, a milder form - mental retardace.Hyperacidosa, hyperammonemia → convulsions, coma - death without treatment !!!
- brain damage, failure to thrive, drowsiness, coma and later vegetative nerve problems (abnormal heart activity - bradycardia, hypothermia, ažapnoe), severe dehydration

<u>Treatment</u>:

Diet with limited leucine and valine and izoleucine intake, additions spec. Nutrition with AA important for growth (contribution of health insurance company)

Precautions: avoid starvation, limiting protein intake – substituting for. Glucose / in sickness etc.).

Start treatment as soon as possible!!! after 14.days of starting the treatment impairment of intellect, rarely - normal intellect Patobiochemistry-AA

Leucinosis

Intermittent forms of minor modifications of decarboxylase

metabolism of Val, Ile, and Leu is reduced but maintained. Leucinosis symptoms appear later and occasionally

(after ingestion of large amounts of AMK)



MSUD



- Peracute presentation in newborns, intermittent variants
- Coma, dystoniaboxing, cycling
- maple syrup odour
- acute crisis prevention and management
- Iong term treatmentdiet

Metylmalonic aciduria

- Caused by **avitaminosis B12**. B12 is a cofactor of the enzyme which converts methylmalonyl-CoA to succinyl-CoA (radical isomerization)
- Metabolic acidosis belongs to the group of <u>organic acidurias</u>.
- methylmalonyl-CoA mutse disorder (converts isoleucine, valine, methionine and threonine, involved in the synthesis of CHOL and MK).
- <u>AR hereditary</u>.
- Clinical picture
- Short symptomless period after birth; then vomiting; lethargy; progressive impairment of consciousness; brain edema; liver and kidney failure; children die of sepsis, bleeding or shock state
- in the acute stage ketoacidosis and laboratory evidence of liver and renal failure
- There is higher level of glycine, valine, methionine and some organic acids (especially methylmalonic acid) in urine and blood.

- Diagnosis
- examination of organic acids and AAs in urine and blood;
- exact type of defect is determined by enzymatic examination of cultured fibroblasts
- Therapy: with suspicion, the supply of protein should be stopped and must avoid catabolism - glc concentrated infusion; prognosis is good if treated early
- critically ill patients must undergo elimination methods to detox
- with the recessionary effect: hemodialysis, <u>hemodiafiltration</u>, <u>peritoneal dialysis</u> and <u>exchange transfusion</u>; a lifelong diet is needed with low intake of natural protein with the addition of a mixture of essential AAs without <u>isoleucine</u>, <u>valine</u>, <u>methionine and threonine</u>.



- Methylmalonic acidemia
 - newborn variant: acute crisis with ketoacidosis, hyperammonemia and coma
 - milder forms-repeated encephalopatic episodes
 - chronic problems: nephropathy progressing in renal failure, variable CNS involvement (pacin picture partially deaf and mute), infections Candida sp.
 - treatment: IMTV restriction, gut sterilization, in some pateints B12, aggresivní treatment of acute episodes

Isovaleric acidemia

isovaleryl-CoA-dehydrogenase deficiency

metabolic acidemia (pH 7,3), ketonuria, hyperamonemia, hypocalcemia, hyperlactemia, odour of breath, body fluids, coma after ingestion oflarge amounts of proteins, generalized pancytopenia

Isovaleric acidemia



http://images.google.com/imgres7imguri=http://www.ivasupport.org/images/

Isovaleric aciduria



- IVA-CoA DH deficiency
- Peracute/intermittent course
- Coma with acidosis/ketonuria, sweaty feet odour
- Acute crisis-elimination
- Long term-diet, karnitine, glycine
- Newborn screening

http://www.animanstyle.com/wp-content/uploads/2009/01/sweaty-feet.jpg

Hypervalinemia

low activity of common transaminase for valine, very rare disease,

Intermittent forms of leucinosis

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Disorders of metabolism of sulfur AAs

Homocystinuria

disorder in β -cystathionine synthetase activity (transsulfuration of methionine to cystine)

manifestations are quite diverse and affect various tissues and organs -

impairment of mental development, marfanoid phenotype

(tall slender figure, arachnodactyly, kyfosa, scoliosis, osteoporosis)

ectopia of lenses, glaucoma and central and peripheral thromboembolic events

Cystinosis

is a consequence of deficiency of lysosomes to release cystine, which is then accumulated therein,

accumulation affects RES (spleen, liver, lymph nodes and bone marrow renal impairment - glycosuria, phosphaturia, albuminuria, hyperaminoacidurie, chronic acidosis and uremia

Cystinuria

AR disorder of AAs transport - cystine, lysine, ornithine and arginine

in the kidney and the gut, renal and intestinal problems, cystine crystallizes in the urine

Homocystinuria

disorder in β -cystathionine synthetase activity (causes transsulfuration of methionine to cystine)

AR hereditary

frequency 1: 200 000[3]

clinical picture: symptoms are not apparent at birth, but in the further development leads to symptoms affecting various tissues and organs

- appear in the toddler or preschool age impaired mental development (psychomotor retardation in 60% of cases ^[4]), <u>marfanoid phenotype</u> (tall slender figure, <u>arachnodactyly</u>, kyfosa, <u>scoliosis</u>, <u>osteoporosis</u>) and ectopic lenses, <u>glaucoma</u> and central and peripheral thromboembolic events
- dislocation of the lens causing strong <u>myopia</u>, thromboses occur most frequently at the base of the skull and life-threatening, <u>gangrena</u> of organs occurs, which usually ends the patient's life in 20 to 30 year
- optic nerve <u>atrophy</u>, <u>cor pulmonale</u>, <u>hypertension</u>
- **laboratory**: increase of homocysteine in blood, frequent metabolic osteopathy
 - necessary to confirm at the enzymatic and molecular level
- **dif.dg**: homocysteinemia occurs also at methylmalonic acid metabolism impairment, cobalamin or <u>B12</u> deficiency
- **therapy**: proportion of patients (approximately 50% ^[4]) responds favorably to high doses of pyridoxine (vitamin B6) (in an amount of 300-900 mg / d ^[4]), which regulates the activity of cystathionine β -synthetase
 - it is necessary to initiate dietapytobie attendistry with a limited supply of methionine 49
 - prenatal diagnosis is available

Homocysteine

- Homocysteine (systematic name **2-amino-4-sulfanylbutanic acid**) is an <u>amino</u> <u>acid</u> that is produced during normal <u>metabolism</u> in humans and other mammals from the amino acid <u>methionine</u>. Normally is degraded to form amino acid called <u>cysteine</u> under the influence of <u>B vitamins</u> (especially B6, B12, folic acid).
- The lack of these vitamins, e.g. in vegetarian diets, or a rare hereditary disease **"homozygous homocystinuria"** ^[1] may lead to elevated levels of homocysteine in the blood.





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2) Neuropathic cystinosis

- <u>AR hereditary</u>
- frequency 1 : 50 000 1 : 1 000 000^[4]
- This is a **defect of lysosomal cystine transport**, which leads to its deposition
- accumulation affects RES (spleen, liver, lymph nodes and bone marrow), deposits can be proved even in the cells of the kidney tubules and conjunctiva
- clinical manifestations are evident only in the kidney, where there is a serious breach of their function
- laboratory: signs of kidney damage <u>glycosuria</u>, phosphaturia, <u>albuminuria</u>, hyperaminoacidurie, chronic <u>acidosis</u> and <u>uremia</u>
 - generalized aminoaciduria is due to a decrease in GF, which will soon result in kidney failure
- therapy: symptomatic treatment tubular dysfunction, usually high doses of vitamin D are required ^[4]
 - Supplementation with cysteamine which acts in two ways
 - binding to cystine results in cysteine formation that can be secreted from the lysosome via cysteintransporter^[4]
 - binding to cystine results in cysteine-cysteamine formation, which can be secreted from the lysosome via lysinetransporterudisulfide^[4]



- Cystinosis inborn disorder of metabolism of cystine with autosomal-recessive inheritance; free cystine accumulates in the lysosomes of cells of the whole organism, esp. in the **reticuloendothelial system**, bone, kidney and retina.
- In the foreground is renal tubular atrophy and variously extensive bone disease, if there is also an accumulation of ferritin in lysosomes, retinopathia retinitis pigmentosa is developped. Infantile c. severe form of renal rickets resistant to vitamin D with a dwarf in stature, renal imairment is manifested by tubular acidosis with hypokalemia and aminoaciduria, further retinopathy. Juvenile c. In the foreground is especially renal impairment. Glomerular proteinuria and progressive renal failure, retinopathy. C. adults benign form, the disorder can be proved in the laboratory and histological crystals of cystine, kidney function is not significantly impaired. Syn. Abderhald-Kaufmann-Lignac syndrome, Fanconi-Lignac syndrome, Fancon

Adult cystinosis



http://www.ncbi.nim.nih.gov/bookshelf/br.fogi?book=gene&part=ctns

3) Cystinuria

disorder of AAs transport - cystine, lysine, ornithine and arginine in the kidney and the intestine, renal and intestinal problems, cystine crystallizes in the urine

<u>AR</u>hereditary

- frequency 1 : 2000 1 : 7000[4]
- congenital disorder transport dibasic AMK cystine, lysine, ornithine and arginine in <u>renal</u> tubules and in the gut
- clinical picture: cystine nephrolithiasis, which is caused by poor solubility of cystine in water, and its crystallization in an acidic environment
- **Diagnosis:** elevated levels of cystine, ornithine, arginine, lysine in the urine; sono kidney and urinary system^[4]
- **therapy**: the goal is to prevent the formation of nefrolitiasis; fluid intake coupled with a night drinking is recommended
- In severe cases it is possible to consider medical therapy **by D**penicillamine or mercaptopropionylglycine which cause the formation of more soluble bisulfites with cystine¹⁴¹







1810 Wollaston- bladder stone (Greek cystos)- "cystic oxid"

1817 Marcet- the same compound also found in kidney stones, family occurence (2 sibpairs)



History of cystinuria

- 1908 Garrod- one of 5 IEMs
- incidence cca 1: 10 000
- 1994 SLCA1 gene, 1999 SLC7A9
- hundreds of mutations
- treatment: fluid intake, penicillamine, thiopronine



Aim of treatment= increased solubility

Disorders of metabolism of Tryptophan and Tyrosine

essential <u>AAs</u>, among others. formation of <u>nicotinic acid</u> and <u>serotonin</u>.

Hartnup disease -AR disorder of transporters of neutral AAs in kidney tubules and small intestine tryptophan deficiency - skin changes

- <u>AR hereditary</u>.
- substrate is abnormal resorption of neutral AAs in the intestine and kidneys.
- usually does not cause any clinical symptoms.
- eventually. photosensitivity of skin is at the forefront



Organic acidurias

Organic acidurias are a group of several tens of diseases with common characteristics: carboxylic acid excretion in urine.

Organic acids accumulate in the body during metabolism disorder in particular **amino acids**, as well as fatty acids and carbohydrates, rarely other substances.

Heredity:

•<u>AR</u>

Pathogenesis:

•impairment of cytosolic, <u>mitochondrial</u> or <u>peroxisomal</u> pathway (deficiency of the enzyme, cofactor deficiency)

accumulation of the substrate before failure

Symptoms:

•are different depending on the type aciduria, often nonspecific

- highly suspicious is strange odor
- •often <u>metabolic acidosis</u>
- •often <u>hyperammonemia</u>

·Forms:

1.Acute neonatal

serious impairment of the intermediary metabolism

manifests in the first days or weeks of life

2. Running intermittently

 partial enzyme deficiencies that suffices for the intermediate metabolism under normal conditions

•stimulus is increased catabolism (eg. operations), increased protein intake, long starvation

 manifest themselves by attacks of acute encephalopathy, acidosis, hypoglycemia

3. Chronically ongoing

·less common, progressive, difficult to influence

•<u>CNS</u> disorders

Organic aciduria investigations within the nationwide <u>newborn screening</u> in the Czech Republic include:

•glutaric aciduria type I (GA I) •isovaleric acidemia (IVA)

·leucinosis (MSUD)

Glutaric aciduria typ I (GA I)

- belongs among <u>organic acidurias</u>, is caused by the inability of the body to process the amino acids <u>lysine</u> and <u>tryptophan</u> due to deficiency of glutaryl-CoA dehydrogenase. The enzyme <u>glutaryl-coenzymeA dehydrogenase</u> is stored in mitochondria. In the liver, kidney, fibroblasts and leukocytes catalyzes the oxidative decarboxylation of glutaryl-CoA to crotonyl-CoA. Deficiency of this enzyme leads to increased levels of glutaric acid and toxic metabolites.^[1]
 - Flooding the body with toxic metabolites occurs after increased amount of lysine and tryptophan (eg. In the normal weight loss in the <u>neonatal period</u>, when the breakdown of body protein, child with fever and starvation, when common infections after surgery and in similar stressful situations).^[1]
 - GA 1 is <u>AR hereditary</u> disease (<u>gene GCDH- at 19p13.2</u>, <u>OMIM #231670</u>). Since 1. 10. 2009 is part of a <u>nationwide newborn</u> screening in the Czech Republic. Increased C5-DC acylcarnitine testifies for GA I incidence. When GA I is suspected, analysis of organic acids in urine is immediately carried out. Elevated levels of glutaric acid and 3hydroxyglutaric to confirm the diagnosis. If the analysis does not confirm a diagnosis, specialist DMP considers the analysis of glutarylkarnitine in urine and 3-hydroxyglutaric acid in the blood and cerebrospinal fluid, analysis of enzymes in fibroblasts and molecular analysis of GCDH gene.^[1]
- Incidence of GA I: 1:40 000 in white populations and 1:30 000 in Sweden.^[1] http://www.wikiskripta.eu/index.php/Glutarov%C3%A1_acidurie Patobiochemistry-AA

Urea cycle disorders

group of enzymatic disorders that result in the accumulation of nitrogen in the form of ammonia, which is very toxic for the body and and a state of the causes irreversible brain damage

Hyperamonemia - cramps, vomiting, coma,

psychomotor retardation, behavioral disorders," repetitive cerebellar ataxia, headache, metabolic acidosis

Gout (arthritis urika) defect in the breakdown of purines (uricase) - excessive production of uric acid. High levels of uric acid in the blood causes crystallisation of this compound in joints and other tissues (inflammation) may cause gout attacks of the joints, kidney stones blockade of urinary tract. The crystals of uric acid may also block tubules of the kidney and cause the kidney insufficiency.

Hyperuricemia - industrialized countries (high intake of purines in the dietpadcoholistesity, lead in food)





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	damaged enzyme	location	heredity type
Hyperammonemia I	karbamoylphosphatesynt hetase (CPS1)	mitochondria	AR hereditary
Hyperammonemia II	ornitinkarbamoyltransfer ase (OTC)	mitochondria	X conjugated representation in heterozygous girls
Citrulinemia	argininsukcinatesyntetas e (ASS)	cytosol	AR hereditary
Argininsukcinateuria	argininsukcinase (ASL) Patobiochemisi	cytosol trv-AA	AR hereditary 62
Argininemia	arginase (ARG1)	cytosol	AR hereditary

Diagnostics

- hyperamonemia; hyperamonemia; <u>ABR</u> first <u>respiratory alkalosis</u>, metabolic acidosis later
- · chromatography of amino acids in plasma: increased concentration of glutamine and glutamic acid, decreased level of arginine; increased concentration of amino acids before enzymatic defect and decreased concentrations of the amino acids after defect
- orotic acid in the urine, increased when disorders of all enzymes except CPS1 occurs
- Liver biopsy: determination of the enzymatic activity of liver tissue
- mutations analysis^[2]
- Therapy
- First aid: catabolism to anabolism conversion (even high doses of glucose with insulin, high caloric parenteral nutrition) and detoxification (sodium benzoate, sodium phenylbutyrate, ev. hemodialysis, hemofiltration)
- substitution of the missing amino acids (usually arginine and citrulline)
- lifelong reduction of protein intake and their substitution by a mixture of essential amino acids Patobiochemistry-AA
- severe impairment leads to liver transplantation^[2]

<u>Hyperlysinemia</u> - (hyperammonemia) -high conc. Lys in blood, serum -block of enzym **arginase** (in ornithine, urea cycle) - high concentration of NH3 and arginine - illness, mental disability. Related to protein intake, difficulties decrease when restricting the proteins intake.

Hyperprolinaemia I -high values of Pro (low activity of Pro-dehydrogenase) - causes renal malformation, hematuria, renál insuficience = renal failure, decreased hearing, deafness - these disorders = so called Alport syndrome

Hyperprolinaemia II - does not affect the kidneys, slowing growth and mention-development 64