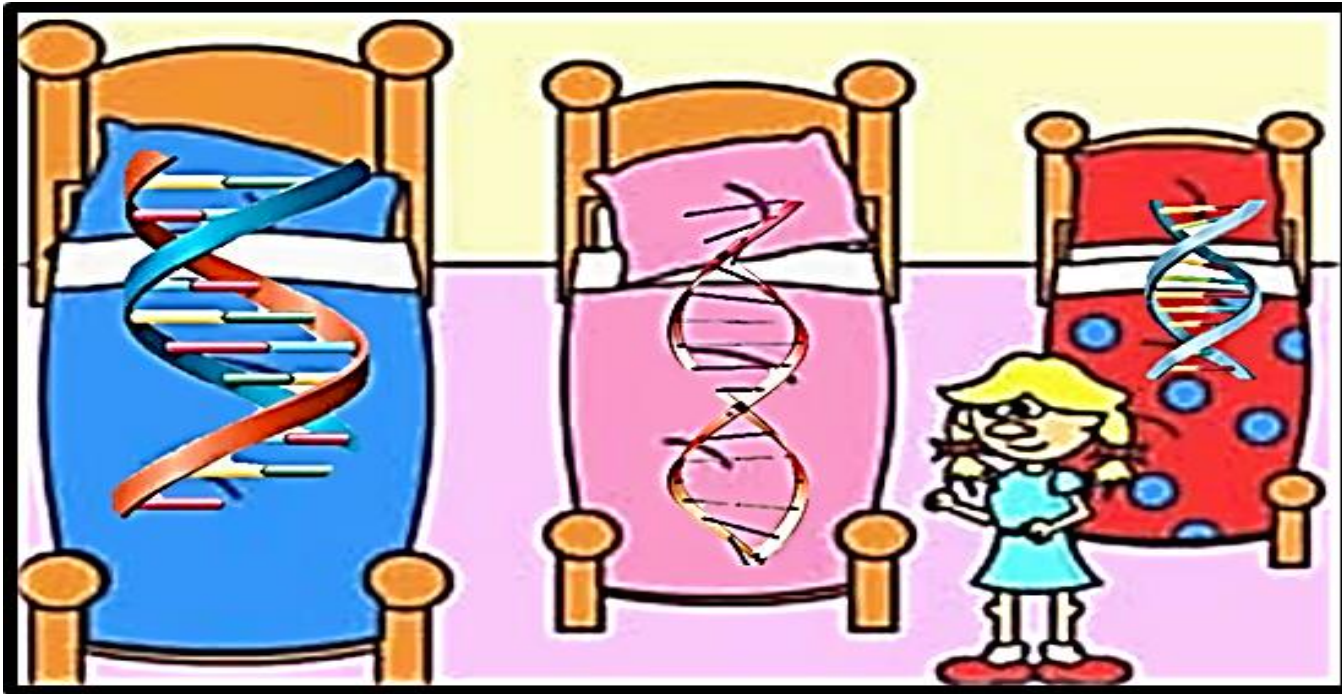


# Goldie Locks and the Three Bone Marrows



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# OBJECTIVES

- List the antibodies that cannot be ruled out using dithiothreitol treated cells or trypsin treated cells.
- Discuss your institution's policy for transfusion of patients receiving anti-CD38 treatment.
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- Describe technical strategies to genetically determine a patient's predicted phenotype for recipients of bone marrow transplants.
- Discuss best treatment "policy" for patients needing transfusion post bone marrow/stem cell transplant.

# FIRST ENCOUNTER

- Saw patient 1<sup>st</sup> time in Feb 2013
- 8 years old
- Group O Rh Positive
- DAT negative
- Diagnosis was B-cell acute lymphocytic leukemia
- Pre bone marrow transplant
- Sent for A titers
  - Titer with A<sub>1</sub> cells: IgM/IgG 2, IgG < 2
  - Titer with A<sub>2</sub> cells: IgM/IgG < 2, IgG < 2
- His own bone marrow wasn't quite right... Too soft?



# SECOND ENCOUNTER

- Saw patient 2nd time in July 2015
- 10 years old
- Group A Rh Positive
- DAT negative
- Received group A bone marrow transplant July 2013
- Sent for B titers
  - IgM/IgG titer with B cells: 4
  - IgG Titer with B cells: 2



# THIRD ENCOUNTER



- **October 2017**
- **Diagnosis ALL relapsed x 2**
- **1<sup>st</sup> bone marrow transplant in 2013**
  - Donor was his sister
  - Went from group O to group A
- **2<sup>nd</sup> bone marrow transplant in 2015**
  - Sister's bone marrow wasn't quite right... Too hard??
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> donor was his father
  - Maybe this bone marrow will be just right!

# THIRD ENCOUNTER

- **Patient on multiple medications including Daratumumab**
- **Daratumumab is monoclonal anti-CD38**
  - FDA approved in 2015 to treat relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma
  - Multiple ongoing clinical trials using anti-CD38 to treat plasma cell dyscrasias & malignancies (hematologic & solid)
  - Causes interference in antibody detection tests since CD38 is present on red blood cells



# TESTING RESULTS

- **DAT**

Polyspecific	IgG specific	Complement
(+)	(+)	(0) <sup>✓</sup>

- **Acid Eluate**

- All cells were nonreactive



# PLASMA RESULTS

		Rh					MNSs				Lewis		Kell		P	Duffy		Kidd		Lutheran		Results
		D	C	E	c	e	M	N	S	s	Le a	Le b	K	k	P1	Fy a	Fy b	Jk a	Jk b	Lu a	Lu b	PEG IAT
1	R1R1w	+	+	0	0	+	+	+	0	+	0	+	+	+	+	+	0	+	0	0	+	1+
2	R1R1	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	0	+	0	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	1+
3	R2R2	+	0	+	+	0	+	0	0	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	+	1+
4	rr	0	0	0	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	+	1+
5	rr	0	0	0	+	+	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	1+
6	rr	0	0	0	+	+	0	+	0	+	0	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	+	0	+	1+
7	R2R2	+	0	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	+	0	0	+	0	0	+	0	+	0	+	1+
8	R1R1	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	+	0	0	+	0	+	0	0	+	+	0	0	+	1+
9	Auto																					1+w

# PLASMA RESULTS

## DTT TREATED CELLS

		Rh					MNSs				Lewis		Kell		P	Duffy		Kidd		Lutheran		Results
		D	C	E	c	e	M	N	S	s	Le a	Le b	K	k	P1	Fy a	Fy b	Jk a	Jk b	Lu a	Lu b	PEG IAT
1	R1R1w	+	+	0	0	+	+	+	0	+	0	+	+	+	0	+	0	+	0	0	+	0✓
2	R1R1	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	+	0	0	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	0✓
3	R2R2	+	0	+	+	0	+	0	0	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	+	0✓
4	rr	0	0	0	+	+	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	0✓
5	rr	0	0	0	+	+	0	+	0	+	0	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	+	0	+	0✓
6	R2R2	+	0	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	+	0	0	+	0	0	+	0	+	0	+	0✓

- No underlying alloantibodies detected
- Cannot rule out Kell, Dombrock, Lutheran, Cartwright, LW and Indian system antibodies

# PLASMA RESULTS

## TRYPSIN TREATED CELLS

		Rh					MNSs				Lewis		Kell		P	Duffy		Kidd		Lutheran		Results
		D	C	E	c	e	M	N	S	s	Le a	Le b	K	k	P1	Fy a	Fy b	Jk a	Jk b	Lu a	Lu b	PEG IAT
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2	R2R2	+	0	+	+	0	+	0	0	+	+	0	0	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	+	0✓
3	rr	0	0	0	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	+	0✓
4	rr	0	0	0	+	+	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	0✓

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- Cannot rule out presence of Dombrock, Lutheran, Cartwright, LW and Indian system antibodies

# AABB RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Association Bulletin # 16-02**
- **Prior to patient taking anti-CD38:**
  - Perform baseline type and antibody screen
  - A baseline phenotype or genotype is recommended
- **After patient begins taking anti-CD38:**
  - Antibody detection & identification using DTT-treated cells can be used to eliminate interference
    - DTT destroys Kell antigens, K-negative units should be provided unless patient is K-positive
    - Antibodies to other DTT-sensitive blood group antigens will not be detectable

# WHY DETERMINE PHENOTYPE/GENOTYPE??

- Know what the patient's extended phenotype is
- Know what potential alloantibodies the patient can produce
- Know what antibodies you have to exclude during antibody identification, if needed.
- If phenotype matched units are desired, know what antigen negative units to order.

# PHENOTYPE VS. GENOTYPE

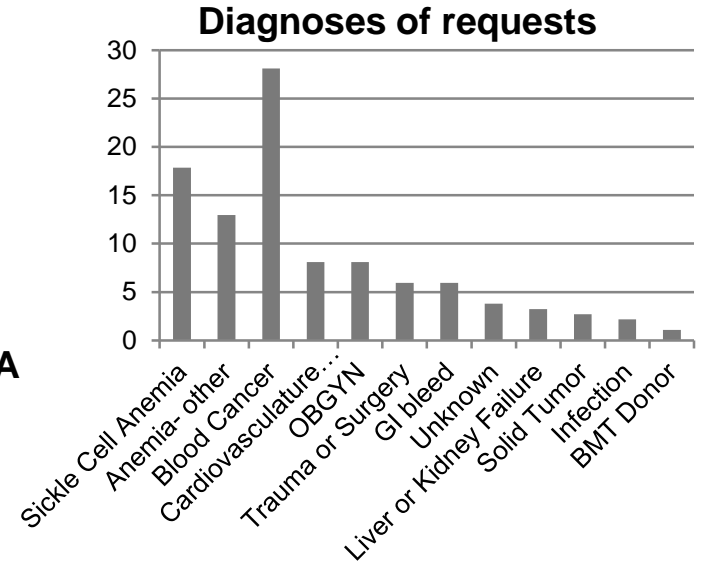
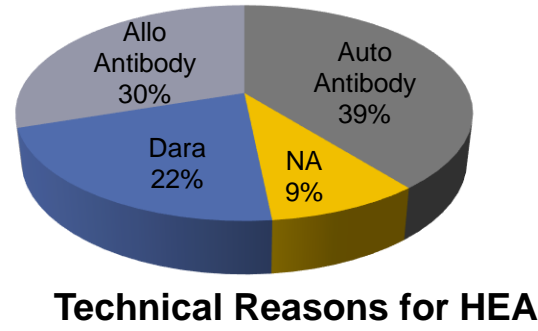
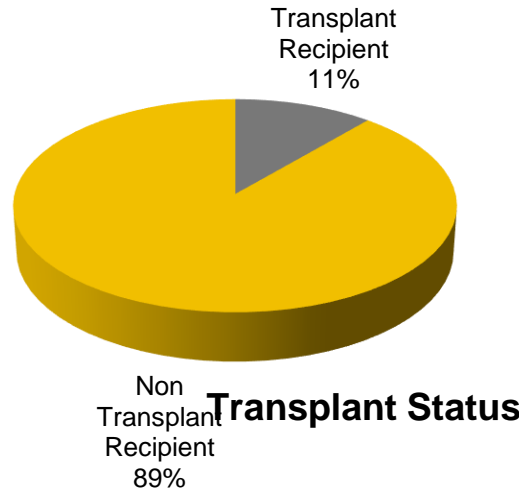
- **Phenotype typically includes common blood group antigens**
  - C, E, c, e; K; Fy<sup>a</sup>, Fy<sup>b</sup>; Jk<sup>a</sup>, Jk<sup>b</sup>; S, s
  - Have to be untransfused in prior 3 months
  - Need to have negative DAT for IAT reagents
- **How do you phenotype a recently transfused patient with history of 2 bone marrow transplants????**
  - Can't reliably do phenotyping on whole blood sample
- **Genotype can be done after transfusion and after anti-CD38 treatment has started**
  - No interference by positive DAT or prior transfusion
  - Provides more information
    - Common antigens and others (total of 38 antigens)

# GENOTYPING GOLDIE LOCKS

- **Whose genotype will we be getting?**
  - Whole blood sample – bone marrow donor type
    - Depends on engraftment of bone marrow
    - Our patient has had 2 bone marrow transplants from family members (sister and father)
  - Buccal swab from patient's cheek- original patient type
- **Recommended submitting:**
  - Whole blood sample and buccal swabs from patient
  - Whole blood sample from bone marrow donors
    - Sister-1<sup>st</sup> donor and father -2<sup>nd</sup> donor



# TRANSPLANT AND COMPLEX CASES IN 2017



- 11% patients at NCBGG have had BMT
- 22% of patients are on Daratumumab
- ~30% are diagnosed with hematologic malignancy

# GENOTYPING PATIENTS WITH ALLOGENEIC TRANSPLANTS

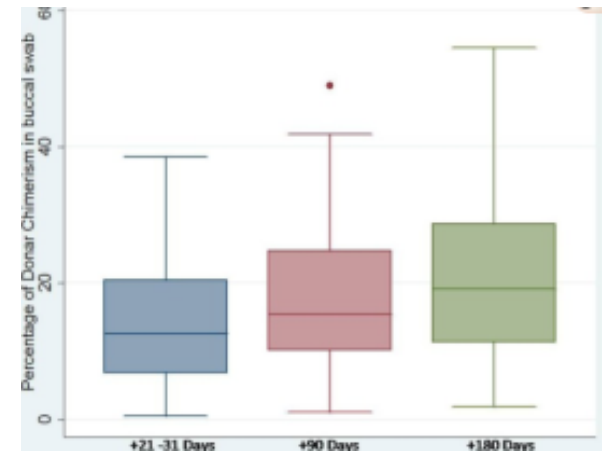


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**Chimerism in DNA of buccal swabs from recipients after allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantations: implications for forensic DNA testing.**

[Berger B<sup>1</sup>](#), [Parson R](#), [Clausen J](#), [Berger C](#), [Nachbaur D](#), [Parson W](#).

- Transplants present unique obstacles to Genotyping
- Blood samples are always chimeric with donor WBCs
- Buccal Swabs better (only 10-20% relative donor chimerism)
- **Strongly recommend pre-transplant samples be provided**



# HEA BEADCHIP

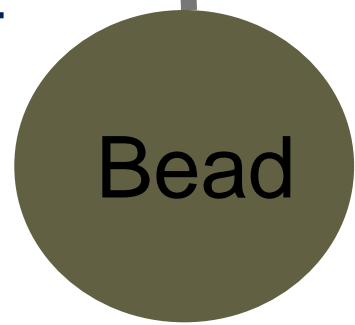
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Rh	C/c, E/e, VS, V
Kell	K/k, Js <sup>a</sup> /Js <sup>b</sup> , Kp <sup>a</sup> /Kp <sup>b</sup>
Duffy	Fy <sup>a</sup> /Fy <sup>b</sup> , Fy <sup>x</sup> , GATA
Kidd	Jk <sup>a</sup> /Jk <sup>b</sup>
MNS	M/N/S/s, U-, Uvar
Lutheran	Lu <sup>a</sup> /Lu <sup>b</sup>
Dombrock	Do <sup>a</sup> /Do <sup>b</sup> , Hy <sup>+</sup> /Hy <sup>-</sup> , Jo(a <sup>+</sup> )/Jo(a <sup>-</sup> )
Landsteiner Wiener	Lw <sup>a</sup> /Lw <sup>b</sup>
Diego	Di <sup>a</sup> /Di <sup>b</sup>
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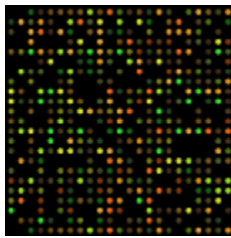
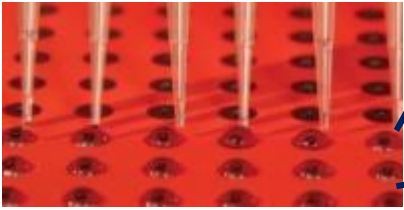
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Target allele (ssDNA)  
Flanking Sequence

Blood Group	Antigen	Patient (Blood)	Patient (Buccal)	Donor
Rh	c	+	+	+
	C	+	+	+
	e	+	+	+
	E	0	0	0
	V	0	0	0
	VS	0	0	0
Kell	K	0	0	0
	k	+	+	+
	Kp <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0
	Kp <sup>b</sup>	+	+	+
	Js <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0
	Js <sup>b</sup>	+	+	+
Duffy	Fy <sup>a</sup>	+	+	+
	Fy <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0
Kidd	Jk <sup>a</sup>	+	+	+
	Jk <sup>b</sup>	+	+	0
MNS	M	+	+	+
	N	+	0	+
	S	0	0	0
	s	+	+	+
	U	+	+	+
	Lu <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0
Lutheran	Lu <sup>b</sup>	+	+	+
	Di <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0
Diego	Di <sup>b</sup>	+	+	+
	Co <sup>a</sup>	+	+	+
Colton	Co <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0
	Do <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0
Dombrock	Do <sup>b</sup>	+	+	+
	Hy	+	+	+
	Jo <sup>a</sup>	+	+	+
	LW <sup>a</sup>	+	+	+
Landsteiner-Wiener	LW <sup>b</sup>	0	0	0
	Sci1	+	+	+
Scianna	Sc2	0	0	0

# HEA RESULTS

N antigen mismatch (Patient Buccal/Blood)

-Likely patient natively lacking N antigen

-N(+) in blood suggests chimerism

Patient Jkb(+) in both blood and buccal

-Patient could natively express Jkb, or

-Patient could have chimerism w/ first donor

Most BMT patients do not match this well  
-transfusion recommendations?

# TRANSFUSION DECISIONS

- **Facilities need to decide on protocols for these patients**
- **Some options:**
  - Patients with negative screen using DTT treated cells
    - Electronic or immediate spin crossmatch ABO/Rh compatible K-negative units
    - Antigen matched units
  - Patients with known alloantibodies
    - Antigen negative units for known antibody
    - Phenotypically or genotypically matched units
  - IAT crossmatch using DTT-treated donor cells
  - In emergency, uncrossmatched ABO/Rh compatible units

# PHENOTYPICALLY MATCHED

- **For our patient:**
  - What are phenotypically matched units?
  - Matched to whom?
    - Patient original type?
    - Bone marrow donor type?
    - Combination of both – what patient and donor are both negative for
- **Physicians decided to match for combination of both**
  - Sent units that were E-negative, K-negative, Fy(b-), S-negative

# SURVEY OF IRLS

- **7 IRLs across the country all do:**
  - Obtain genotype/phenotype before anti-CD38 treatment if possible
  - Give antigen negative units for any existing clinically significant alloantibodies
- **1 IRL gives RH and K matched units**
  - Look back on the few patients encountered – no new antibodies
- **1 IRL just provides K-negative units**
  - Avoids antigen matching and saves those units for patients with actual antibodies
- **2 IRLs have not dealt with transplanted patients on anti-CD38**
  - Most hospitals not asking for phenotype matched units



# SURVEY OF IRLS

- **1 IRL assesses level of chimerism post transplant**
  - If 100% donor type then, match the donor's phenotype
  - If immediate post-transplant and 60-day engraftment window???
  - Some patients have marrow re-emerge up to 1 year post transplant
- **1 IRL would match for patient genotype until engrafted at least 50% or better**
  - Then match for donor genotype
- **1 IRL tries to use modified workup protocol and give phenotype matched units**
  - Some facilities just want DTT-treated cell workup and K- units
  - Transplant patients try to get clear genotype and honor that genotype until patient engrafts
    - Buccal swab does not always get clear genotype
  - After engraftment, medical team would try to provide units antigen negative for what both patient and transplant donor are negative for

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