

# X- LINKED AGAMMAGLOBULINEMIA (XLA) CASE PRESENTATION

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# XLA - CASE REPORT

FLD, male, born 1985, admitted 1989

## Clinical History:

- Since **2 years**: recurrent upper respiratory infections  
(2 suppurative otitis)
- **3y 2m**- cutaneous abscess - antibiotics 15 days
  - 2 episodes of edema and tenderness at both knees and one at left knee.
- **4 years**- hospitalization at our hospital with history of both knees arthritis without fever during 6 days. After exclusion of infectious arthritis he was admitted to Rheumatology Unit with probable diagnosis of JIA.

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- **5 years-** abscess at gluteal region with fever- admitted at hospital for IV antibiotics (22 days). During this episode detected IgG=98mg/dL and the patient was referred to the Immunology Unit, where the XLA diagnosis was done. Prophylactic antibiotics and IM gammaglobulin were prescribed.

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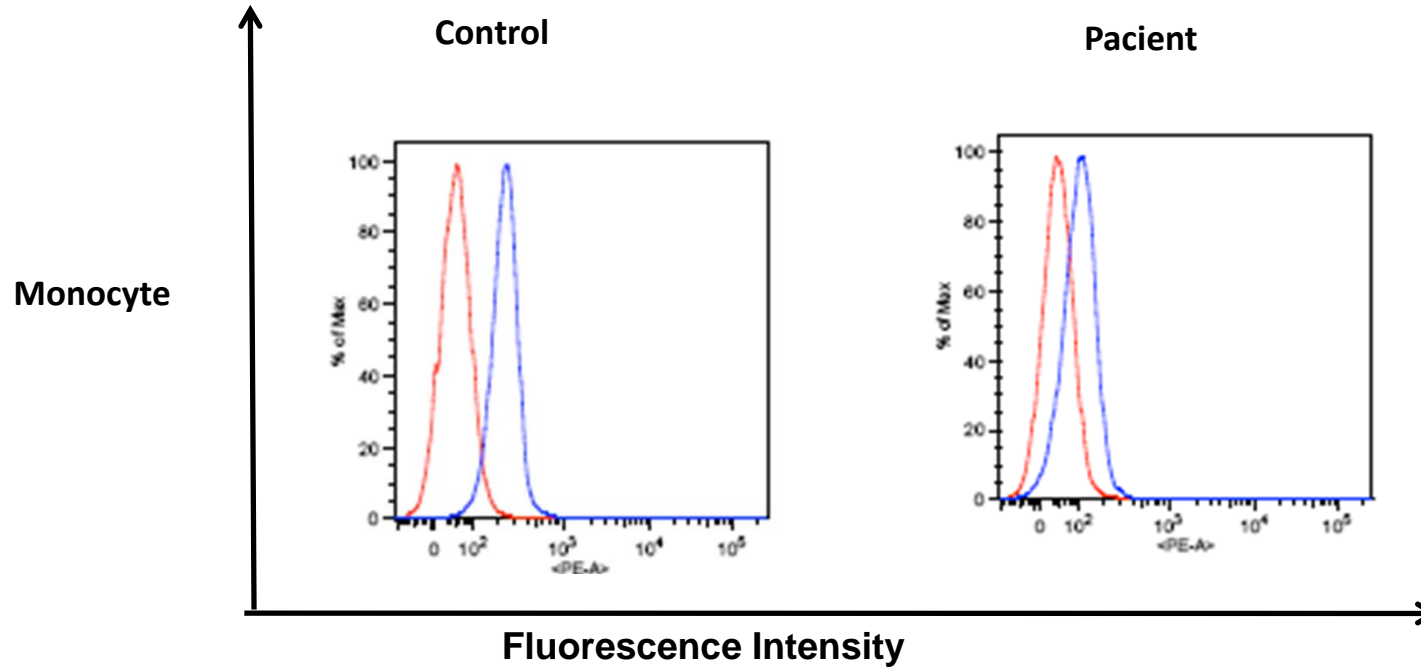
- **Family history-** no consanguinity. Brother died at 9 m by infectious process and chronic diarrhea
- **Vaccines-** all vaccines for age
- **Physical examination- important findings:**
  - weight and height - 15 percentile
  - absence of lymphonodes and pharyngeal tonsils
  - knees - tenderness, limitation on motion and edema



## Laboratorial data at diagnosis

- Hb= 12,2 g/dL Ht=36 leuc= 12100/mm<sup>3</sup> (58%/1%/1%/38%/3%) plat = 540000/mm<sup>3</sup>
- IgG= 98 mg/dL, IgA=3 mg/dL, IgM=10mg/dL, IgE=8UI/L
- CD4= 770, CD8=448, CD19=1%, CD56=6%
- Chest RX – normal
- **Exon 17- c1847C>T pR562w domínio kinase – missense mutation**
- **Treatment-** IM gammaglobulin monthly (tailored doses for serum level IgG=600-700mg/dL) and prophylactic antibiotics

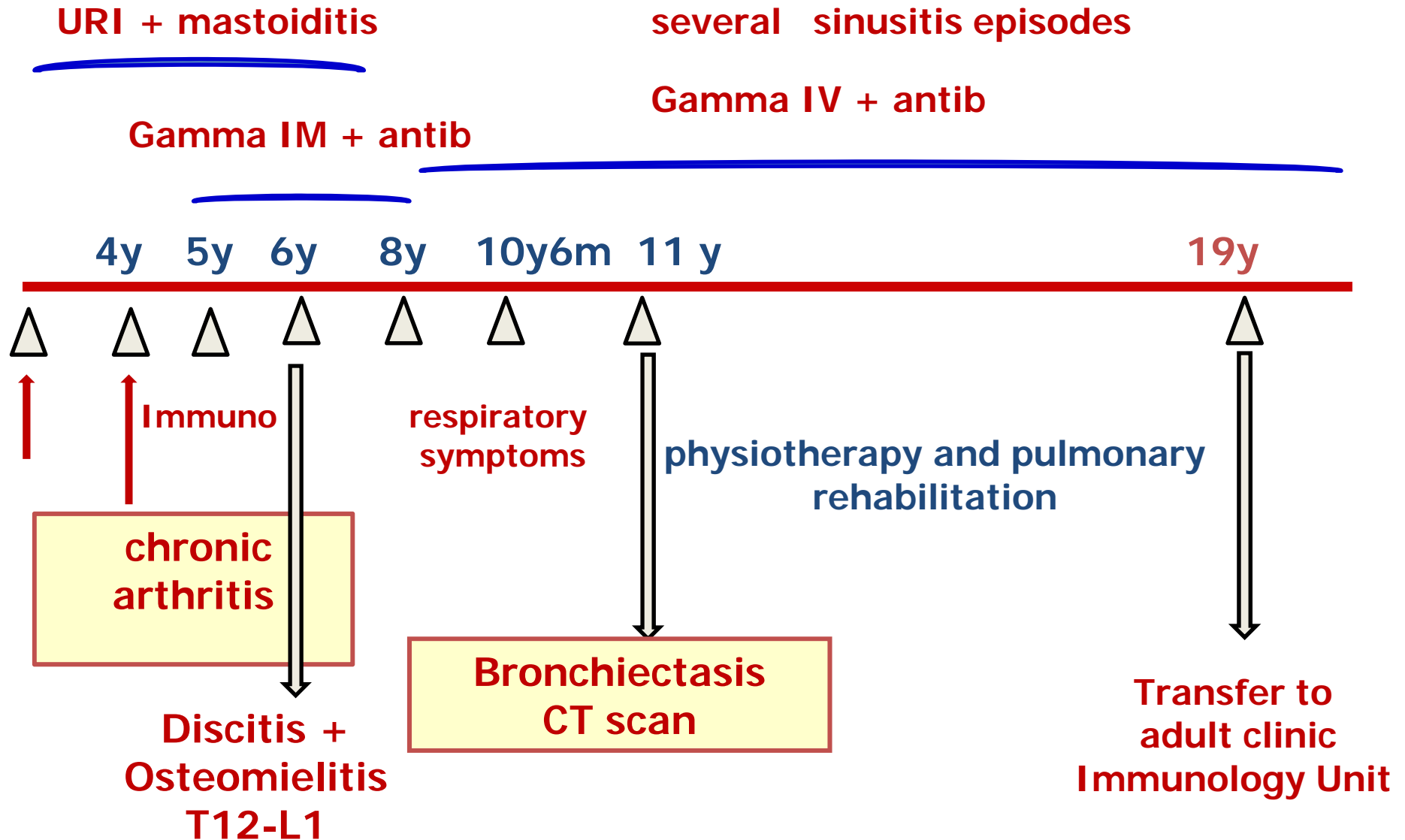
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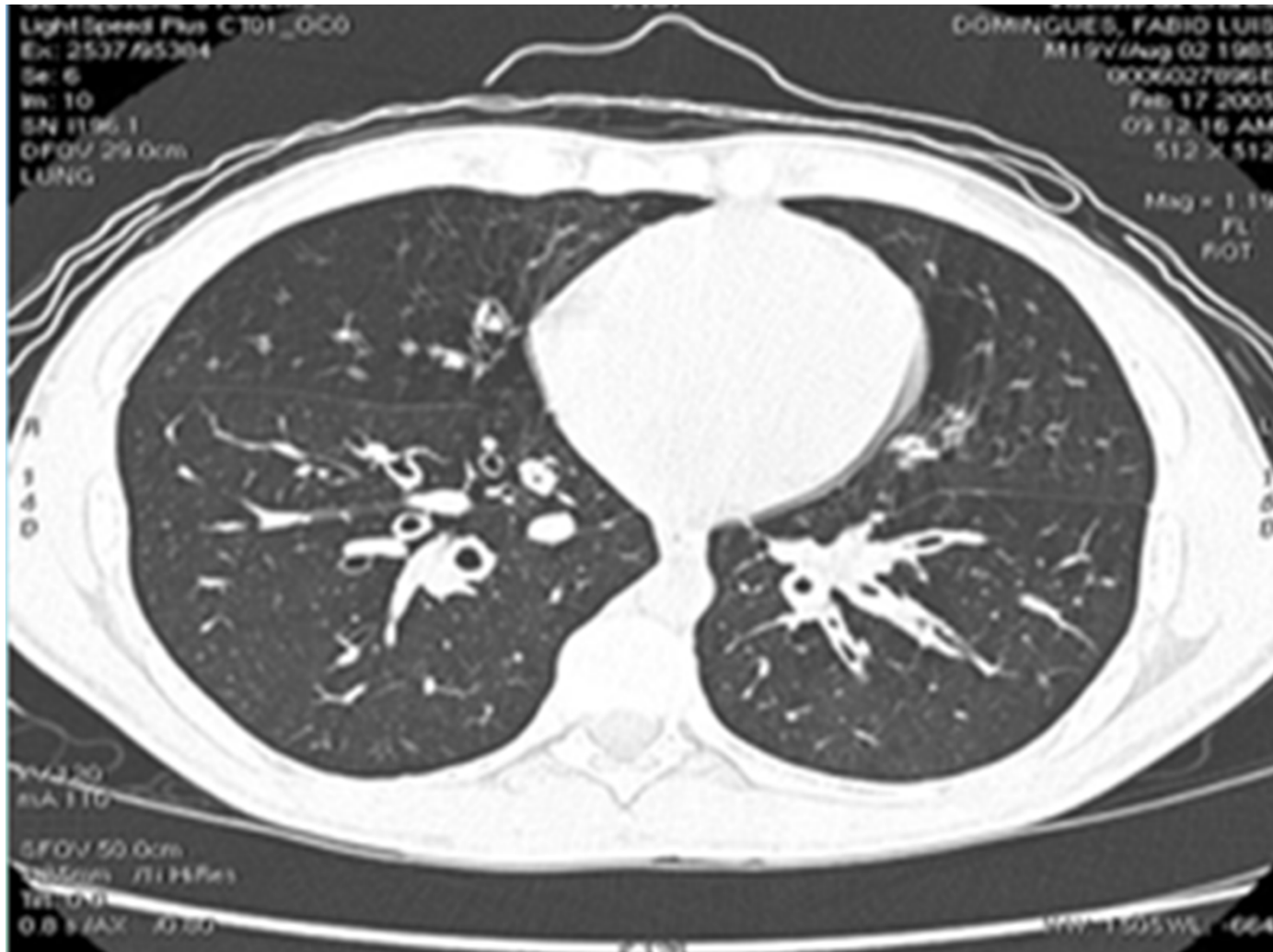
Healthy Control = 76,6 % Btk expression  
Patient = 5,98 % Btk expression

Red line: control antibody  
Blue line: anti-Btk

# XLA – Time line



# Bronchiectasis XLA patient



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## Highlight points:

- Arthritis as manifestation of PID
- Bronchiectasis under treatment with gammaglobulin and antibiotics

# Arthritis and PID

- Joint complications have been recognized in PID patients: infectious or not
- Arthritis may be the first clinical manifestation of PID
- Noninfectious joint abnormalities similar to JIA have been showed due to infectious trigger
- The difficulties to identify agents may underestimated the prevalence of infectious arthritis

*Bloom KA, Chung D, Cunningham- Rundles, 2008*

# PID associated to arthritis

- Humoral PID : humoral more common: XLA, CVID, IgA def and Hyper IgM (5-40%)
- CGD
- Wiskott- Aldrich
- IRAK4

# Arthritis and XLA

- Janeway, 1956- aseptic arthritis and XLA
- Arthritis associated to *Mycoplasma* infection
- **Mechanisms:**
  - Infectious agent not identified
  - Immune dysregulation related synovial tissue
  - Good response to IV gammaglobulin-immunomodulation??

*Machado P et al, 2008*

# XLA and Chronic Lung Disease

- XLA associated to lung chronic disease
- Recurrent or chronic respiratory symptoms
- Chest XR:
  - atelectasis
  - bronchial wall thickening
  - Bronchiectasis
  - CT scan – precocious detection

Despite regular gammaglobulin infusion

*Buckley RH, 2004*

# XLA and Chronic Lung Disease

*Monitoring the patients for subclinical, but progressive, pulmonary damage is important..... Such monitoring may take the form of routine pulmonary function tests. High resolution chest CT may be of value in detecting early pulmonary damage , although the accumulated risk of radiation should be taken account....*

*Winkelstein JA, 2010*