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# Lo Screening Neonatale in Italia, stato dell'arte

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# Newborn Screening

Newborn screening (NBS) program is a complex and organized system consisting of family and personnel education, biochemical tests, confirmatory biochemical and genetic tests, diagnosis, therapy, and patient follow up.

# Newborn Screening

It identifies biochemical or other inherited conditions that may produce mental retardation, other disabilities and/or death.

Babies are screened for these conditions during the newborn period.

These conditions are identified using tests on blood collected from a heel stick onto filter paper

# SCREENING: DEFINIZIONE

Lo screening è un'indagine a tappeto, estensibile alla popolazione, non costosa.

Si basa su una “diagnosi biochimica”  
perché il neonato alla nascita è sano:

lo screening evidenzia una malattia PRIMA  
che compaiano segni/sintomi clinici.

## Criteria of a screening programme

- **The condition being screened for should be an important health problem**
- **The natural history of the condition should be well understood**
- **There should be a detectable early stage**
- **Treatment at an early stage should be of more benefit than at a later stage**
- **A suitable test should be devised for the early stage**
- **The test should be acceptable**
- **Intervals for repeating the test should be determined**
- **Adequate health service provision should be made for the extra clinical workload resulting from screening**
- **The risks, both physical and psychological, should be less than the benefits**
- **The costs should be balanced against the benefits**

**Wilson-Jungner criteria; World Health Organisation 1968**

## **CRITERI DI AMMISSIBILITA' ALLO SCREENING**

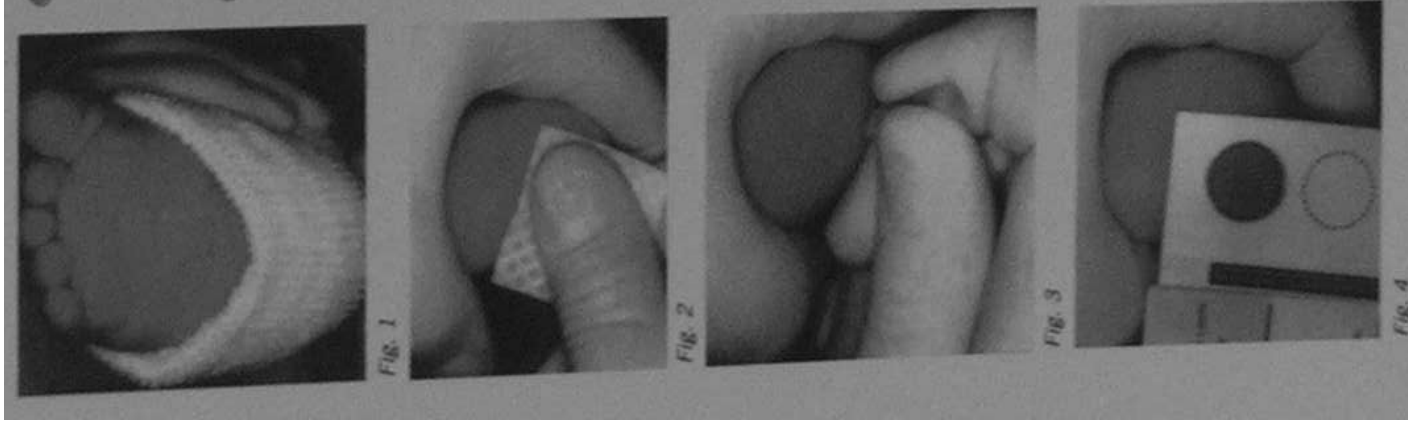
- **PROBLEMA IMPORTANTE DI SALUTE PER L'INDIVIDUO E LA COMUNITA'**
- **ESISTENZA DI UN'ACCETTABILE FORMA DI TERAPIA CHE INFLUENZI POSITIVAMENTE IL SUCCESSIVO DECORSO**
- **ESISTENZA DI UN PERIODO DI LATENZA O DI SINTOMI PRODROMICI**
- **IL TEST DEVE ESSERE APPLICABILE IN TALE PERIODO ED ACCETTABILE DALLA POPOLAZIONE**
- **PROCEDIMENTI DIAGNOSTICI SUCCESSIVI FACILMENTE DISPONIBILI**
- **COSTO DIAGNOSTICO BILANCIATO DALLE SPESE MEDICHE O DI ALTRO TIPO IN CASO DI MANCATA DIAGNOSI**

**\* AUMENTO ASPETTATIVA DI VITA**

**\* MIGLIORAMENTO QUALITA' DI  
VITA**

**\* POSSIBILITA' DI CONSIGLIO  
GENETICO**

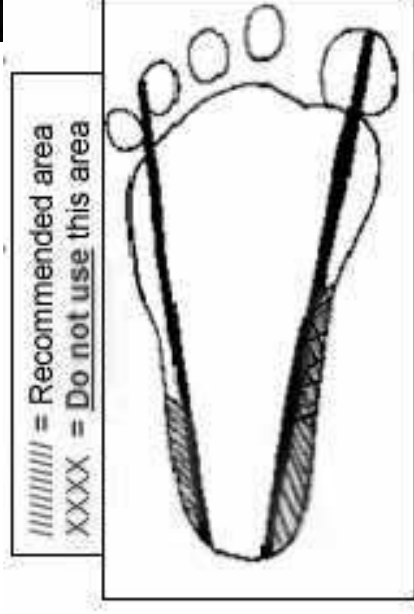
**\* DIAGNOSI PRENATALE**



# PRELIEVO DAL TALLONE

Riscaldare il tallone con un panno caldo (39-41°C) per 3-5 minuti

Disinfettare il punto del prelievo con alcool e rimuoverne l'eccesso con una garza sterile



Fare una laterale (

nella zona

Rimuovere la prima goccia di sangue perché diluito da liquido interstiziale e aspettare che si formi una nuova goccia. Applicare leggermente la carta bibula sulla goccia lasciandola diffondere

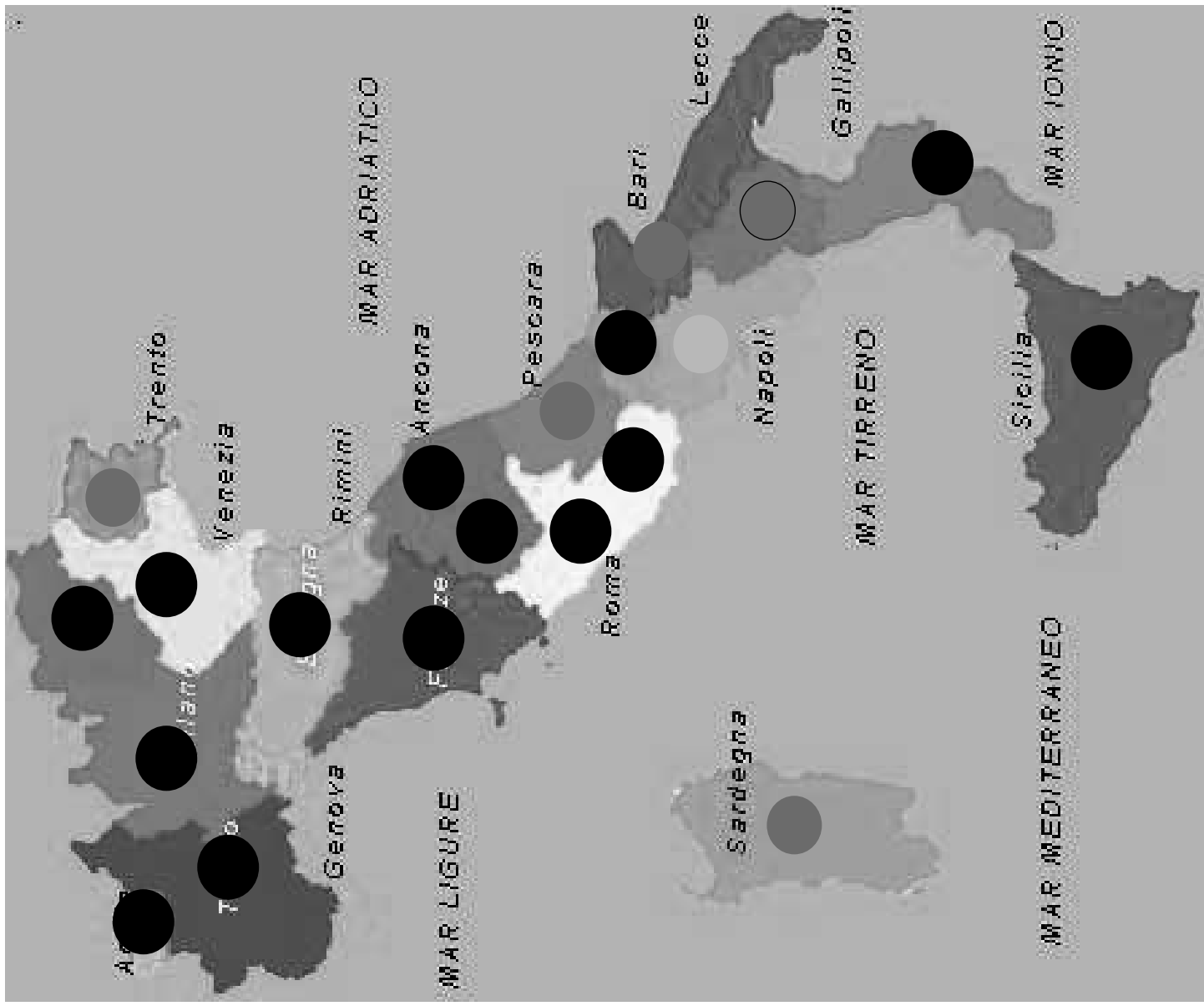


# LEGGE ITALIANA N. 104/1992

*...nei primi giorni di vita, ancora in ospedale, il bimbo viene sottoposto al cosiddetto "screening neonatale", una serie di esami che permettono di individuare precocemente alcune malattie congenite (cioè presenti alla nascita), ma che si manifestano in genere più tardivamente. Grazie a questo test, che deve essere eseguito dopo quarantotto ore di vita, è possibile individuare e curare precocemente queste malattie, che possono, altrimenti, avere gravi conseguenze sullo sviluppo psicomotorio e sull'accrescimento del bambino. Dal 1992 (legge-quadro n. 104 del 5-5-1992) questo esame deve essere eseguito su tutti i neonati italiani (la prima legge che ne ha sancito l'importanza e quella della regione Liguria del 17-8 -1973).*

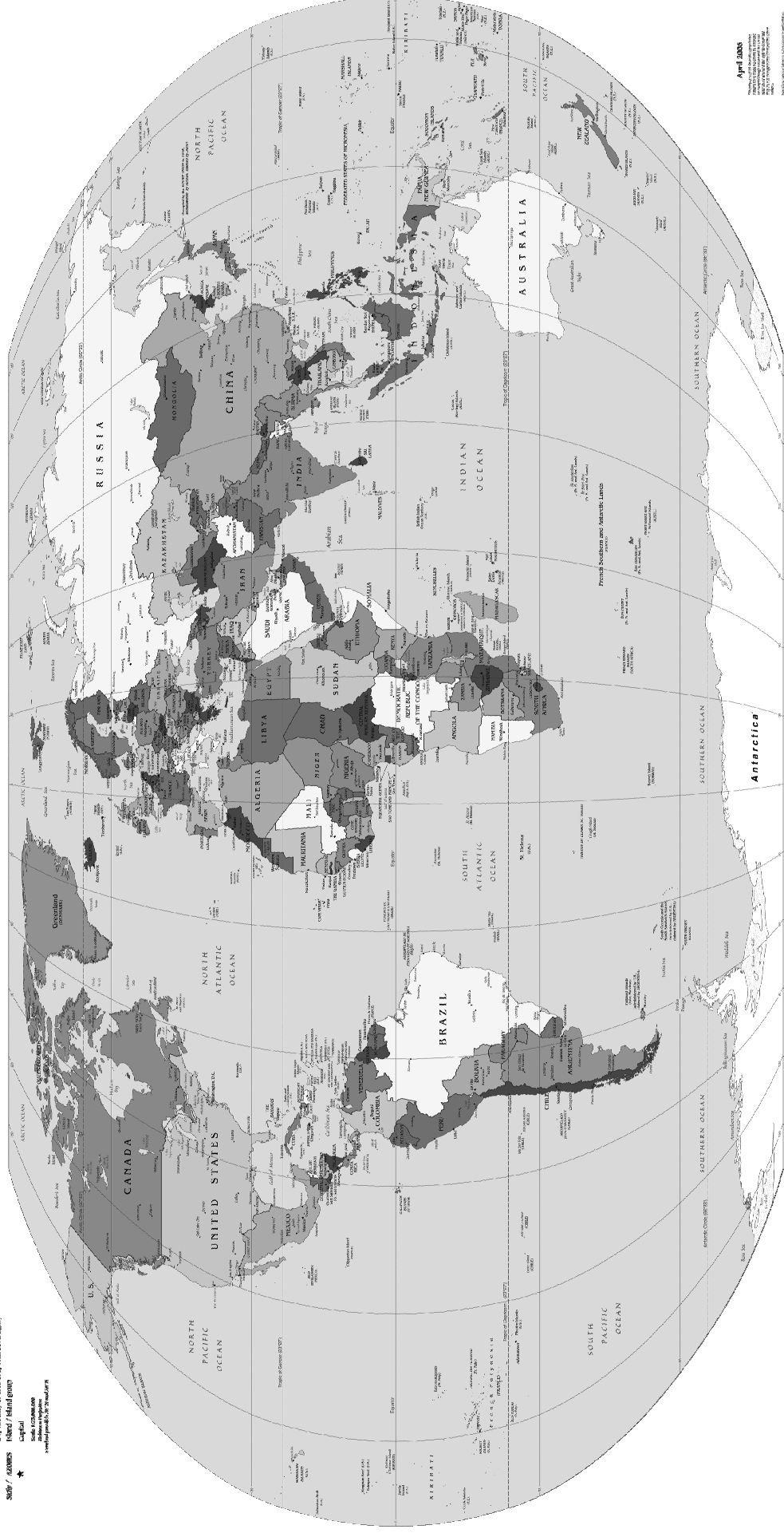
*Lo "screening neonatale" viene effettuato per identificare alcuni disturbi molto seri, che se vengono individuati precocemente possono essere curati con ottimi risultati. Queste malattie sono congenite, presenti cioè già dalla nascita, ma nei primi giorni di vita non si manifestano e, se non viene eseguito il test, possono essere individuate solo più tardi. I disturbi individuabili con questo esame sono tre: la fenilchetonuria, una malattia ereditaria che provoca problemi nell'assimilazione di una sostanza, la fenilalanina (monitorando il dosaggio di quest'ultima); l' ipotiroidismo congenito, un problema della tiroide, le ghiandola che regola lo sviluppo e la crescita (in base al dosaggio del TSH o ormone tireotropo) e la fibrosi cistica, una malattia respiratoria molto seria (verificata tramite la concentrazione di un enzima la tripsina).*

**FC: copertura 82%**



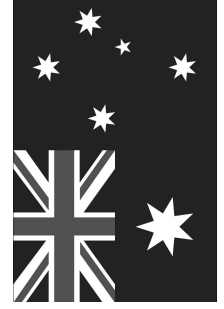
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- Australia
- Independent state
- Dependency or area of special sovereignty
- Monarchy
- State / Admin group
- Capital
- State recognition
- Unofficially recognized state

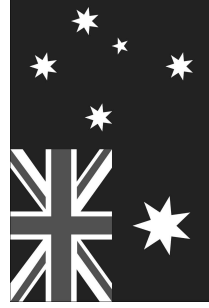


April 2006  
The map shows the political boundaries of the world as of April 2006. It is based on the data provided by the CIA World Factbook and the United Nations. The map is oriented with North at the top.

# Lo screening neonatale esteso nel mondo



# AUSTRALIA



# 25 Disorders

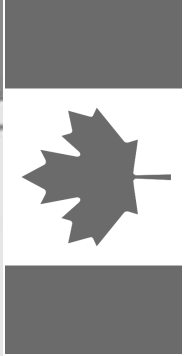
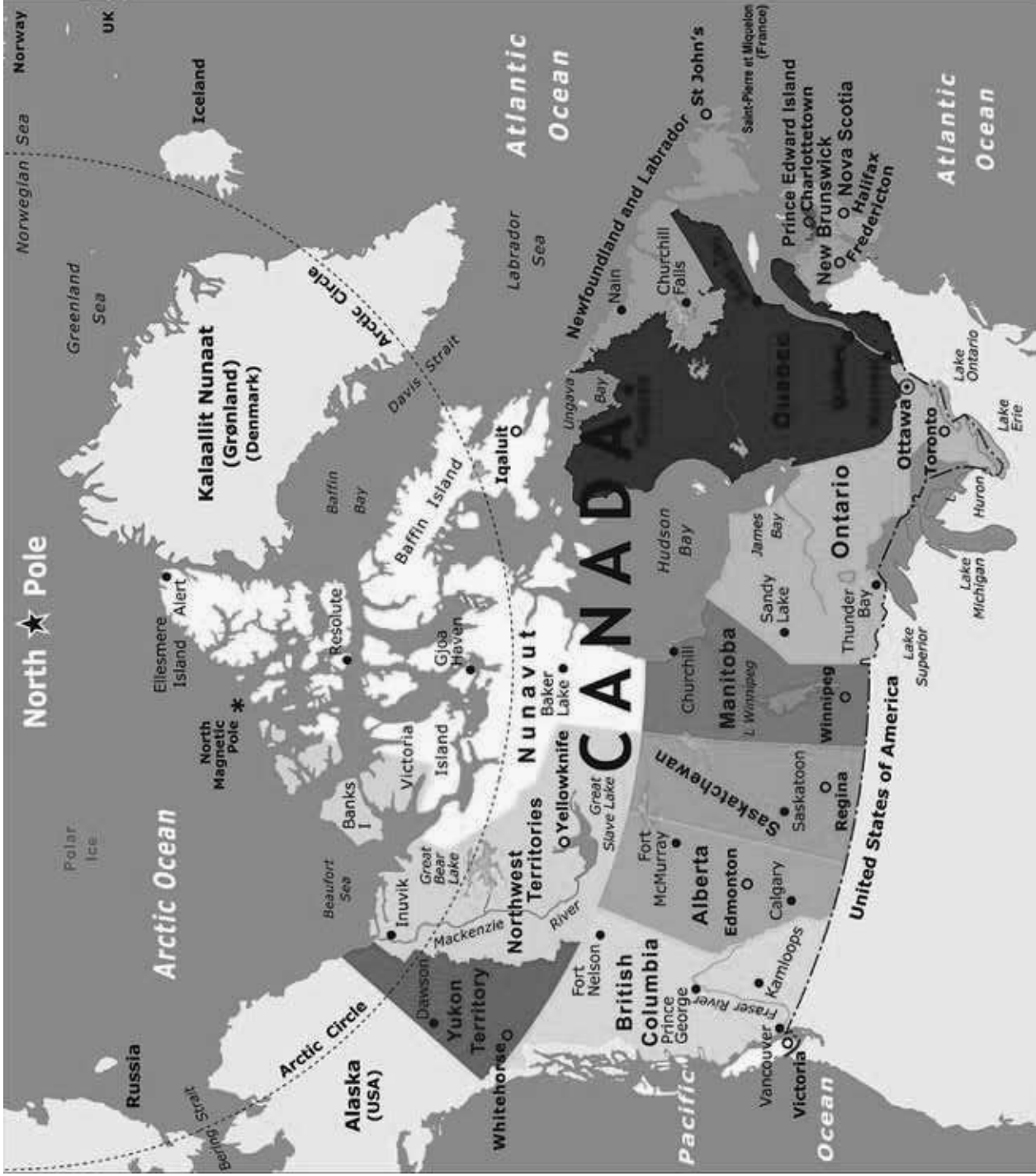
#	Disorder	Other names
1	Hypothyroidism	
2	Cystic fibrosis	
	Disorders detected by tandem mass spectrometry:	
3	3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl CoA lyase	HMG CoA lyase
4	3-methylglutaryl CoA hydratase	3-methylglutaconic aciduria type 1
5	Argininosuccinic aciduria	Argininosuccinase lyase
6	Citrullinaemia type 1	Argininosuccinate synthetase
7	Beta ketothiolase	T2 defect type, 3-oxothiolase
8	Maple syrup urine disease	MSUD, branched chain keto acid dehydrogenase (mbl/intermittent forms may not be detected)
9	Carnitine palmitoyl transferase 1	CPT1
10	Carnitine palmitoyl transferase 2	CPT2
11	Carnitine uptake defect	CUD, systemic carnitine deficiency, carnitine transporter defect, OCTN2 defect
12	Carnitine acyl carnitine transferase	CACT
13	Cobalamin disorders	cbC, cbD, cbF disease
14	Homocystinuria	Cystathionine beta synthase, CBS (vitamin B12 responsive forms may not be detected)
15	Glutaric aciduria type 1	Glutaryl CoA dehydrogenase, GAT
16	Holocarboxylase synthase	HC-S, multiple carboxylase deficiency, MCD
17	Isovaleryl CoA dehydrogenase	Isovaleric acidemia, IVA
18	Methylcrotonyl CoA dehydrogenase	MCAD
19	Methylmalonic acidemia	Methylmalonyl CoA mutase, MMA, cblA, cblB disease
20	Mitochondrial trifunctional protein	Long-chain hydroxy acyl carnitine dehydrogenase, LCHAD, MTP
21	Multiple acyl CoA dehydrogenase	MCADD, glutaric aciduria type 2, GA2, ETF deficiency
22	Phenylketonuria	PKU, phenylalanine hydroxylase, including tetrahydrobiopterin defects
23	Propionic acidemia	Propionyl CoA carboxylase, PA, ketotic hypoglycaemia
24	Tyrosinaemia 2	Tyrosine aminotransferase
25	Very long chain acyl CoA	VLCAD

NB: other disorders are occasionally detected as part of the newborn screening testing, including disorders affecting the mother

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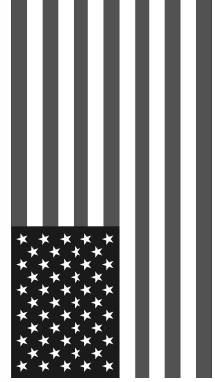
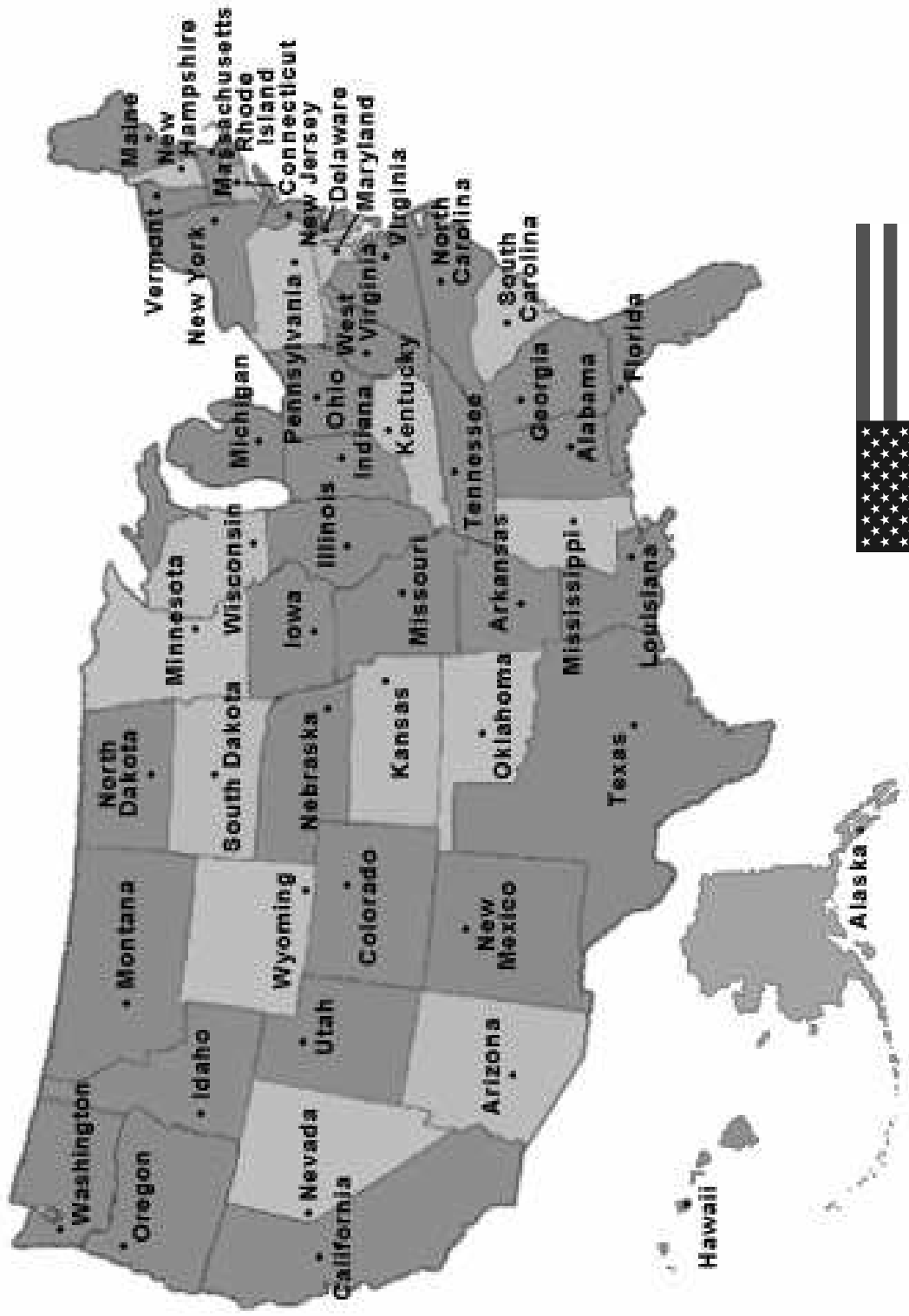
**CANADA**

**A national screening program does not exist in Canada.**

The federal government has no role in newborn screening beyond the licensing of some tests and other medical devices, and the regulation of foods, drugs and supplements for the treatment of rare and orphan diseases. **Health care and screening programs fall under provincial and territorial jurisdiction.**

There is a wide spectrum in the number of disorders for which screening is offered, ranging from 5 disorders to 38, depending on the jurisdiction.

**SOURCE: Canadian Agency for Drugs and Technologies in Health**



# Unites States of America



# Uniform Screening Panel

- 29 primary conditions
  - 20 detected by MS/MS (AA, FAO, OA)
  - 3 Hb-pathies (S/S, S/ $\beta$ Thal, S/C)
  - 6 others (BIOT, CAH, CF, CH, GALT, HEAR)
- 25 secondary targets
  - 22 detected by MS/MS (AA, FAO, OA) \*
  - 1 Hb-pathy (many variants counted as one)
  - 2 others (GAL-epimerase, GAL-kinase)

**\* At least 20 more conditions could be detected**

# National Newborn Screening Status Report

Updated 01/06/13



The U.S. National Screening Status Report lists the status of newborn screening in the United States.

STATE	Core Conditions											Additional Conditions Included in Screening Panel (unit verallies required unless otherwise indicated)
	Hearing	Endocrine		Hemoglobin			Other			S/CID		
	HEAR	CH	CAH	S/S	S/A	S/C	BIO	GALT	CF		OCHD	
Alabama	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Alaska	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Arizona	A	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	B
Arkansas	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
California	B	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	A
Colorado	A	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Connecticut	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
D.C.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	C
Delaware	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	B
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Georgia	A	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Hawaii	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Idaho	A	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Illinois	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	C
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25  
Secondary  
targets

STATE	Secondary Target <sup>1</sup> Conditions														Hbg Variant										
	Fatty Acid Disorders				Organic Acid Disorders				Amino Acid Disorders							Other Metabolic									
	CACT	CPT-1a	CPT-1b	DE-FTD	GA-II	MCKAT	MCKHAD	SCAD	2MHBDA	2MBA	3MGA	CP-CD	BC	MAL	ARG	BIOPT-EM	BIOPT-RG	CIT-II	H-PHT	MLT	TFR-II	TFR-III	GALE	GALK	
Alabama	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
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1. A.A. Alston et al.

# E in Europa?

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NEWBORN SCREENING

**Introducing new screens: Why are we all doing  
different things?**

R. J. Pollitt





## Estados Unidos



### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

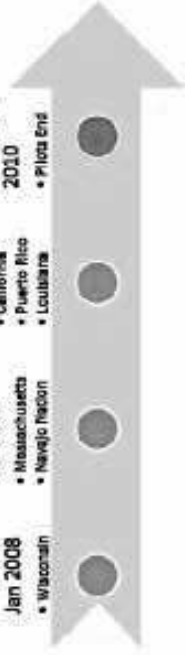
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[www.hhs.gov/heritable/newbornscreening/](http://www.hhs.gov/heritable/newbornscreening/)

February 24, 2010

The Honorable Kathleen Schielins  
Secretary of Health and Human Services  
200 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20201

- The addition of SCID to the uniform panel, and related T-cell lymphocyte deficiencies to the list of secondary targets as a comprehensive entity, with the understanding that the following activities will also take place in a timely manner.

**Jan 2008**  
 • Wisconsin  
**Feb 2009**  
 • Massachusetts  
 • Navajo Nation  
**Fall 2010**  
 • New York  
 • California  
 • Puerto Rico  
 • Louisiana  
**June/Oct 2010**  
 • Pilot End



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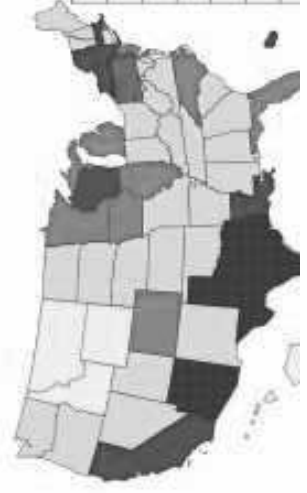
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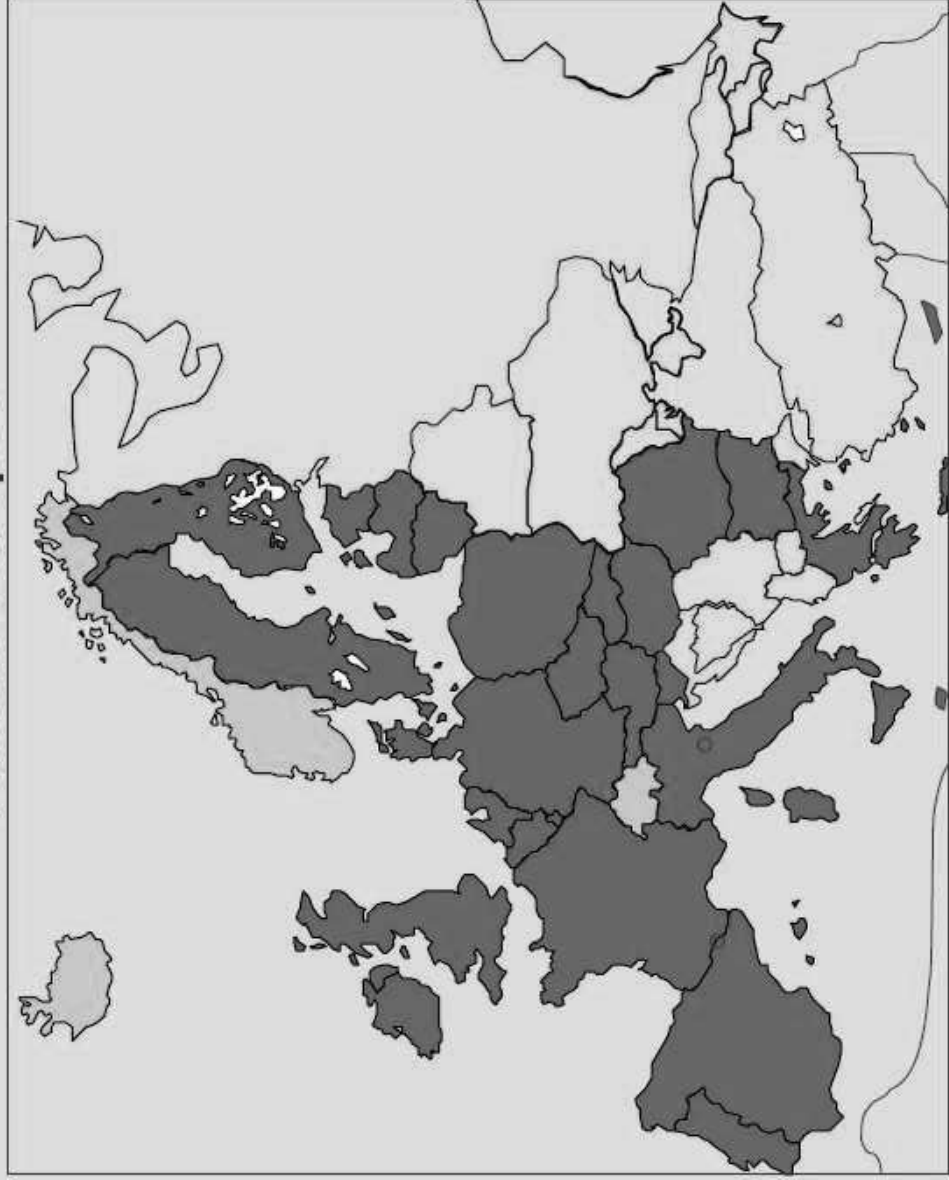
### EU Tender

**"Evaluation of population newborn screening practices for rare disorders in Member States of the European Union"**

dehydrogenase deficiency, lysosomal storage disorders, 3-methylcrotonyl-CoA carboxylase deficiency, SCID<sup>60</sup> tyrosinemia type I and II, very-long-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency and vitamin B12 deficiency.<sup>61</sup> For these disorders HTA at EU level could inform the decision-making in individual EU countries. Due to fast technological changes in high



# What is Europe?



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EFTA,  
other

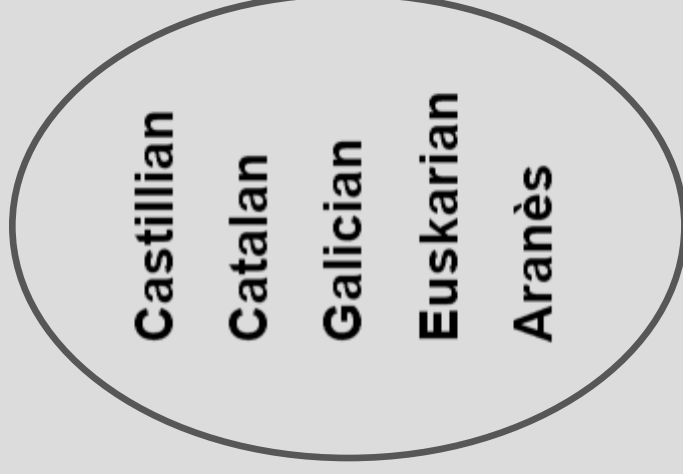
Council of Europe member countries



# European languages

English  
German  
Dutch  
French  
Spanish  
Portuguese  
Italian  
Icelandic  
Norwegian  
Swedish  
Danish  
Finnish  
Estonian  
Latvian  
Lithuanian  
Polish  
Czech

Slovak  
Hungarian  
Slovenian  
Croatian  
Serbian  
Macedonian  
Albanian  
Romanian  
Bulgarian  
Greek  
Russian  
Belarusian  
Ukranian  
Armenian  
Turkish  
Azerbaijani  
Georgian



and many more ...

<http://www.ielanguages.com/eurolang.html>



No consensus ...



UK



Rest of Europe



No consensus ...



Red → Green

NL



Red → Orange → Green

Rest of Europe

No consensus ...



Left hand traffic

UK, Ireland,  
Malta, Cyprus



Right hand traffic

Rest of Europe

Currency	Region	ISO	Euro peg	Year	Notes
Euro	Eurozone <sup>(show)</sup>	€	See below	1999/2002	Used by the institutions
Bulgarian lev	Bulgaria	лв	Currency board	2007	cannot be before 2016 for euro target
British pound sterling	United Kingdom	£	Floating	1973	Formal opt-out
Gibraltar pound	Gibraltar	€	Currency board		
Croatian kuna	Croatia	kn	Floating	2013	no current target date
Czech koruna	Czech Republic	Kč	Floating	2004	no current target date
Danish krone	Denmark	kr	ERM	1973	Formal opt-out
Hungarian forint	Hungary	Ft	Floating	2004	No current target for euro
Latvian lats	Latvia	Ls	ERM	2004	1-1-2014 official target date <sup>[1]</sup>
Lithuanian litas	Lithuania	Lt	ERM	2004	1-1-2015 official target date <sup>[2]</sup>
Polish zloty	Poland	zł	Floating	2004	No current target for euro
Romanian leu	Romania	Leu	Floating	2007	cannot be before 2016 for euro target
Swedish krona	Sweden	kr	Floating	1995	De facto opt-out
Swiss franc	Campione d'Italia <sup>(show)</sup> <sup>[3]</sup>	Fr.	Floating <sup>[4]</sup>	1957	Also unofficially used in Büsingen am Hochrhein, Germany. <sup>[5]</sup> Swiss Franc is issued by Switzerland

# So what are we doing in Europe?






Country	Screened infants	Number of labs	Country	Screened infants	Number of labs
Austria	83649	1	Latvia	21655	1
Belgium	121999	6	Lithuania	34456	1
Bulgaria	74510	2	Luxembourg	6159	1
Cyprus	9749	1	Malta	4100	2
Czechia	118348	6	Netherlands	185743	5
Denmark	65000	1	Poland	421000	8
Estonia	15730	1	Portugal	99809	1
Finland	60794	18	Romania	226000	4
France	841931	22	Slovakia	56475	1
Germany	675000	11	Slovenia	20269	1
Greece	120852	1	Spain	498711	20
Hungary	95000	2	Sweden	110523	1
Ireland	74278	1	UK	797214	16
Italy	576000	40			

Source: <http://www.erndim.org/store/docs/JBonhamERNDIM>

# So what are we doing in Europe?

Country	Birth interval	Storage of spots (yrs)	Country	Birth interval	Storage of spots (yrs)
Austria	36-72h	10	Latvia	72-120h	7
Belgium	72-120h	5	Lithuania	48-96h	25
Bulgaria	72-120h	20	Luxembourg	96-168h	8
Cyprus	96-168h	5	Malta	Cord blood	n/a
Czechia	48-96h	5	Netherlands	72-168h	5
Denmark	48-72h	1000	Poland	48-96h	1
Estonia	48-72h	100	Portugal	48-96h	12
Finland	Cord blood	n/a	Romania	48-96h	2-5
France	48-96h	1	Slovakia	72-96h	20
Germany	48-96h	0.25	Slovenia	72-120h	10
Greece	96-168h	3	Spain	48-96h	1-1000
Hungary	48-72h	1	Sweden	48-96h	1000
Ireland	72-120h	26	UK	797214	5
Italy	48-96h	1-10			

**Table 2** Disorders recommended for newborn screening using MS/MS

Disorder					
Phenylketonuria	P	+	+	+	+
Maple syrup urine disease	P	+	+	+	+
Homocystinuria	P				
Tyrosinaemia type I	P				
Citrullinaemia	P				
Argininosuccinic aciduria	P				
Argininaemia	S				
HHH syndrome					
Very long-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency	P	+	+	+	+
Long-chain 3-hydroxyacyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency <sup>b</sup>	P	+	+	+	+
Medium-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency	P	+	+	+	+
Short-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency	S				
Multiple acyl-CoA DD (glutaric aciduria type II)	S				
Carnitine palmitoyltransferase deficiency type I	S		+		
Carnitine palmitoyltransferase deficiency type II	S		+		
Carnitine-acylcarnitine translocase deficiency	S		+		
Carnitine uptake (OCTN2) deficiency	P				
Propionic acidemia	P	+			
Methylmalonic acidemia	P <sup>c</sup>	+			
Isovaleric acidemia	P		+		+
Glutaryl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency	P	+	+		+
Multiple carboxylase (holocarboxylase synthase) deficiency	P		+		+
3-Hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl-CoA lyase deficiency	P	+			+
Beta-ketothiolase (T2) deficiency	P	+			
3-Methylcrotonyl-CoA carboxylase deficiency	P	+			+
Plus 17 other conditions	S				

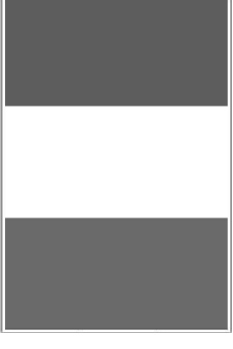
Data sources as for Table 1.

<sup>a</sup>P denotes a primary target, S a secondary target.

<sup>b</sup>Includes trifunctional protein deficiency.

<sup>c</sup>Mut<sup>0</sup>, CblA and CblB. CblC and CblD were secondarily affected.

# National Law N. 104/1992

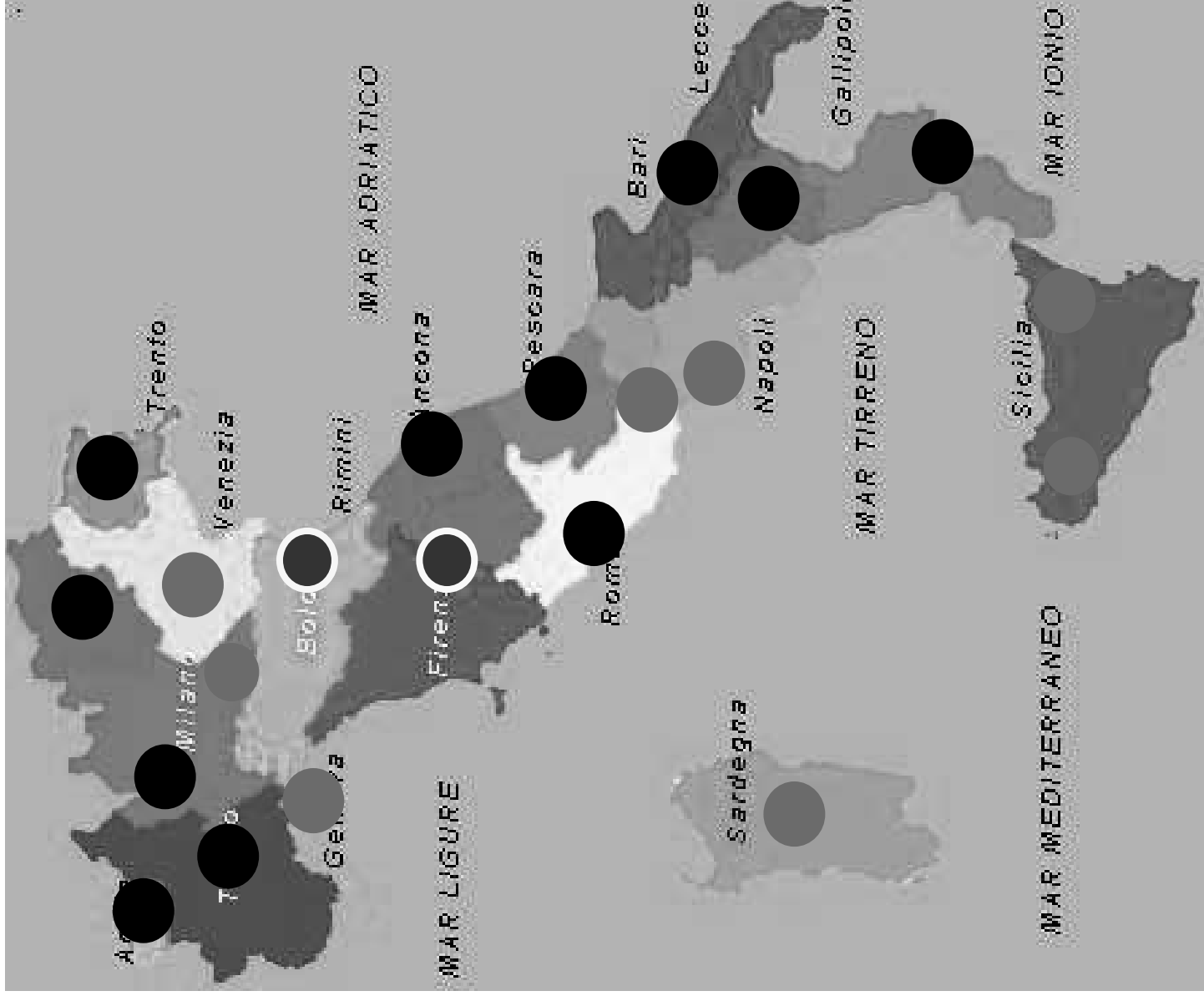


*...nei primi giorni di vita, ancora in ospedale, il bimbo viene sottoposto al cosiddetto "screening neonatale", una serie di esami che permettono di individuare precocemente alcune malattie congenite (cioè presenti alla nascita), ma che si manifestano in genere più tardivamente. Grazie a questo test, che deve essere eseguito dopo quarantotto ore di vita, è possibile individuare e curare precocemente queste malattie, che possono, altrimenti, avere gravi conseguenze sullo sviluppo psicomotorio e sull'accrescimento del bambino. Dal 1992 (legge-quadro n. 104 del 5-5-1992) questo esame deve essere eseguito su tutti i neonati italiani (la prima legge che ne ha sancito l'importanza e quella della regione Liguria del 17-8 -1973).*

*Lo "screening neonatale" viene effettuato per identificare alcuni disturbi molto seri, che se vengono individuati precocemente possono essere curati con ottimi risultati. Queste malattie sono congenite, presenti cioè già dalla nascita, ma nei primi giorni di vita non si manifestano e, se non viene eseguito il test, possono essere individuate solo più tardi. I disturbi individuabili con questo esame sono tre: la fenilchetonuria, una malattia ereditaria che provoca problemi nell'assimilazione di una sostanza, la fenilalanina (monitorando il dosaggio di quest'ultima); l' ipotiroidismo congenito, un problema della tiroide, le ghiandola che regola lo sviluppo e la crescita (in base al dosaggio del TSH o ormone tireotropo) e la fibrosi cistica, una malattia respiratoria molto seria (verificata tramite la concentrazione di un enzima la tripsina).*

**We have  
32  
newborn  
screening  
centers**

**Florence  
Bologna**



**Padua/  
Verona**

**Milan**

**Genova**

**Rome**

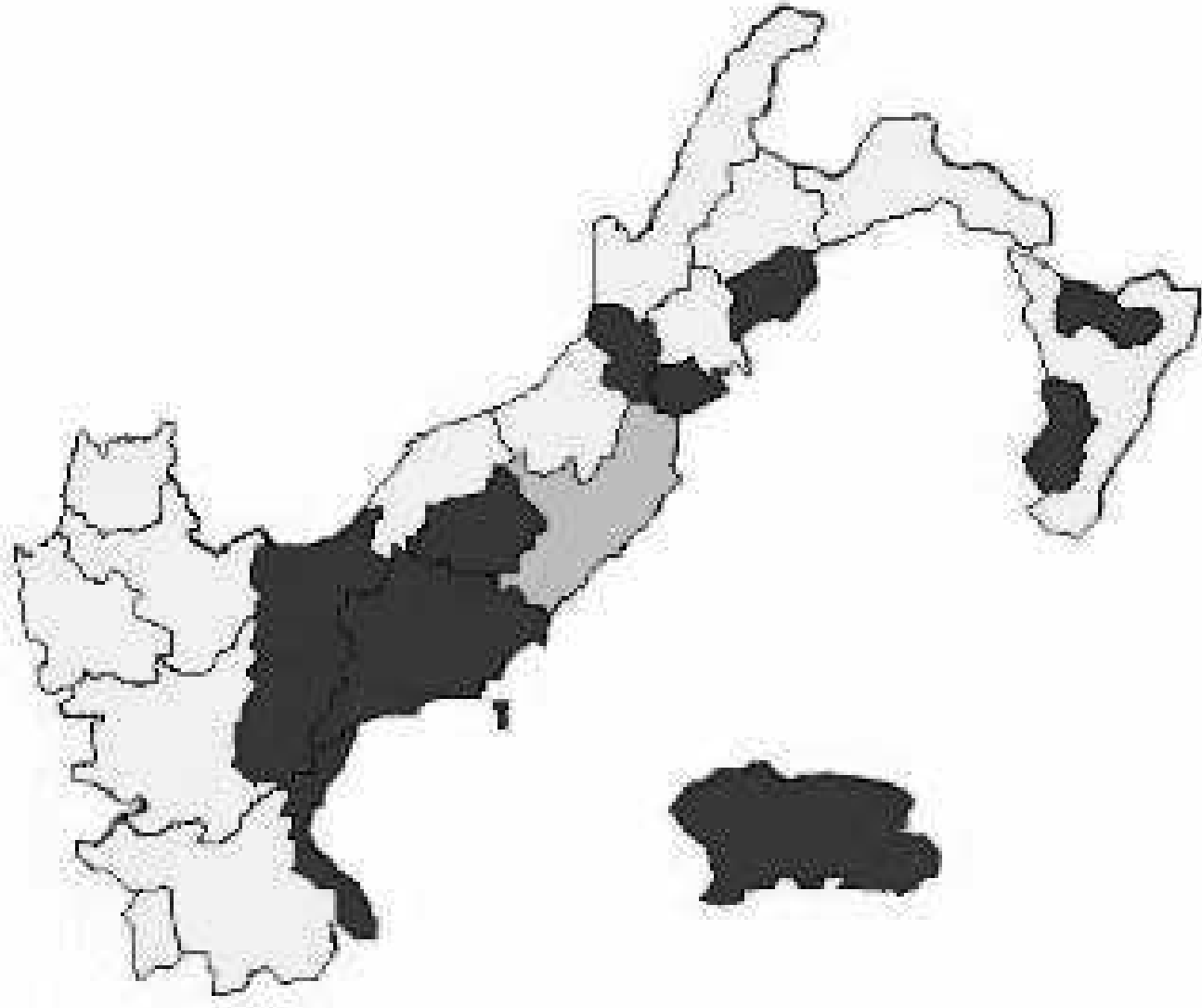
**Neaples**

**Cagliari**

**Catania/  
Palermo**

**Su 514000 (2014) nati vivi**

**Copertura screening  
esteso circa 30%**



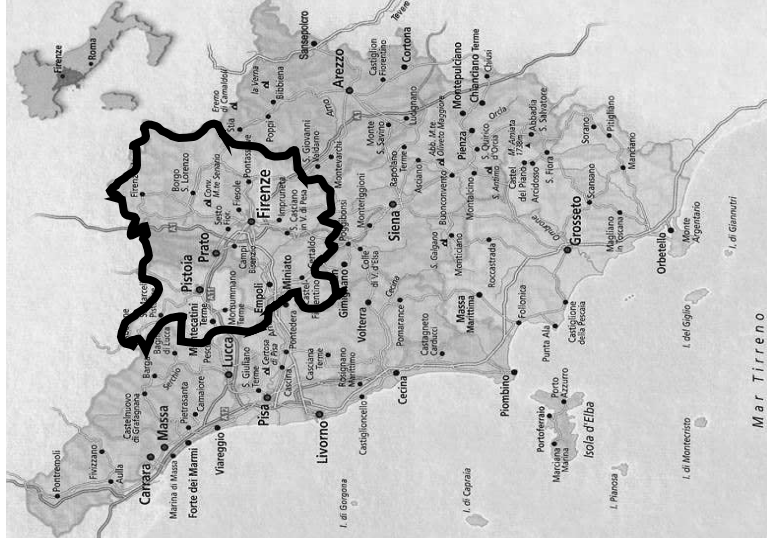
# PILOT PROJECT

01/11/2001 - 31/10/2004

in

Firenze, Prato and Pistoia areas

42371 screened





# Regional Legislative Action no. 800 (3/8/2004):

since 01/11/2004

“ .....tutti i neonati toscani dovranno essere sottoposti a screening allargato mediante spettrometria di massa tandem...”



35000

newborns/year

since 01/01/2010

Florence has performed the expanded  
newborn screening also for Umbria



**WEYER**

**8500**

**newborns/year**

# Progress in expanded newborn screening for metabolic conditions by LC-MS/MS in Tuscany: Update on methods to reduce false tests

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**Summary** We report on our 6-year experience of expanded newborn screening by tandem mass spectrometry in Tuscany (Italy), the first Italian Region to screen all newborns for more than 40 inborn errors of metabolism: organization, diseases observed and updates on methods to reduce false-positive and false-negative tests are described. Blood collection is recommended between 48 and 72 h of life. Blood spots are sent daily by courier to laboratory. When a positive result occurs, two subsequent procedures are followed: for disorders with possible acute metabolic decompensa-

tion, the baby is immediately recalled and clinical examinations and confirmatory tests are performed; for the other disorders, the nursery provides for a second blood spot. If the test is positive, clinical examinations and confirmatory tests are performed. In both cases, if confirmatory tests are positive, a treatment and a follow-up programme are started. Up to now, spots from 160 000 infants have been analysed and 80 affected patients have been identified (disorders of amino acids, organic acids and fatty acids metabolism). We describe adjustments to cut-off values, the introduction of a second-tier test for propionic acidemia and for methylmalonic aciduria, the inclusion of succinylacetone in the panel of metabolites, and protocols for premature infants and for newborns on parenteral nutrition or

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## Our panel contained 20 primary targets and 22 secondary targets

J Inherit Metab Dis. 2008 Oct 27

2013: Tuscany NBS panel contains 46 disorders

# PILOT PROJECT

01/01/2002 - 31/10/2004

3 provinces of Tuscany = 13,500/year

42,371 newborns

REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ACTION  
No. 800 (3/8/2004)

... the program must screen all babies born in Tuscany starting from November 2004 (approximately 40000/year) for selected acylcarnitines and amino acids....

~400,000 newborns

PREVALENCE 1:1500

~ 300 DIAGNOSES

## Acylcarnitines

### $\beta$ -oxidation of fatty acids defects

- Short Chain Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase Deficiency (SCAD)
- Medium Chain Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase Deficiency (MCAD)
- Multiple Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase Deficiency (MADD)
- Very Long Chain Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase Deficiency (VLCAD)
- Long Chain 3-OH-Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase Deficiency (LCHAD)/  
Mitochondrial Trifunctional Protein Defect
- Carnitine Transporter Defect
- Carnitine-Acylcarnitine Translocase Deficiency
- Carnitine Palmitoyl Transferase Deficiency (CPT I and II)

### Organic acidurias

- Propionic Aciduria
- Methylmalonic Acidurias
- Isovaleric Aciduria
- Methylcrotonyl-CoA Carboxylase Deficiency
- Holocarboxylase Synthetase Deficiency
- Glutaric Acidurias type I
- 3-OH-3-Methylglutaryl-CoA Liase Deficiency
- $\beta$ -Ketothiolase Deficiency

## Aminoacids

### Aminoacidopathies

- HyperPhenylalaninaemias
- Tyrosinaemia type I and II
- Leucinosis
- Non ketotic Hyperglycinaemia
- Citrullinaemia type I and II
- Argininsuccinic aciduria
- Argininaemia
- Homocistinuria
- HyperOrnithinemias

# Aminoacidopathies

# PHENYLKETONURIA

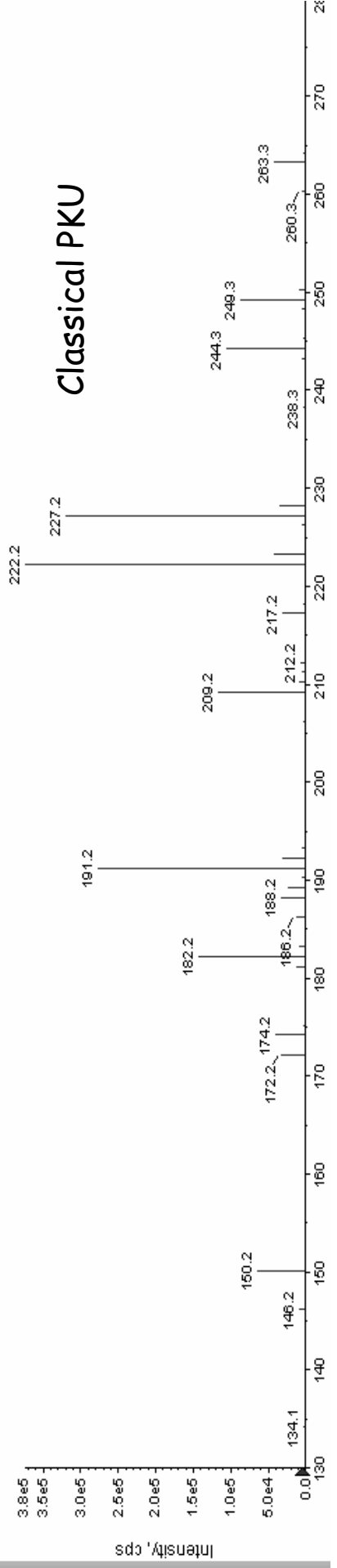
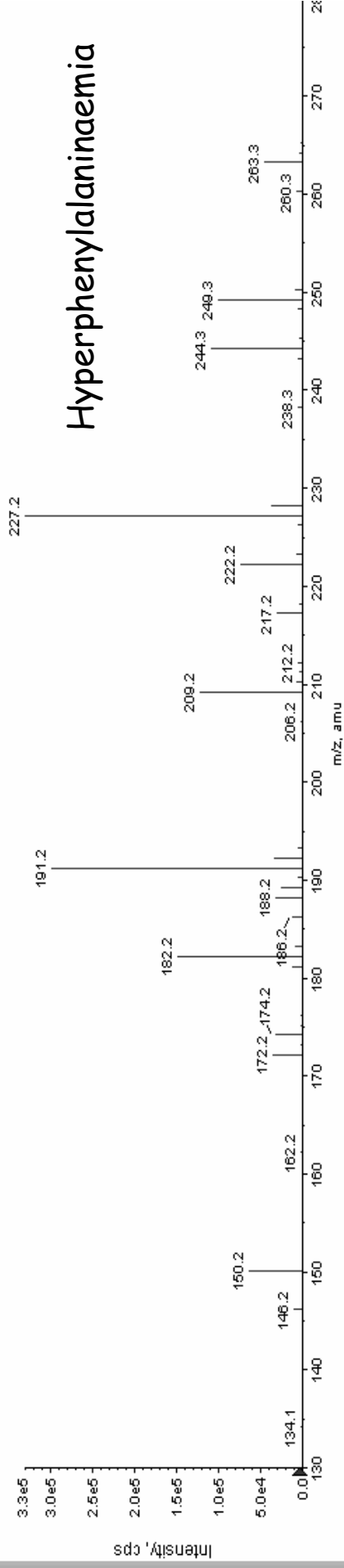
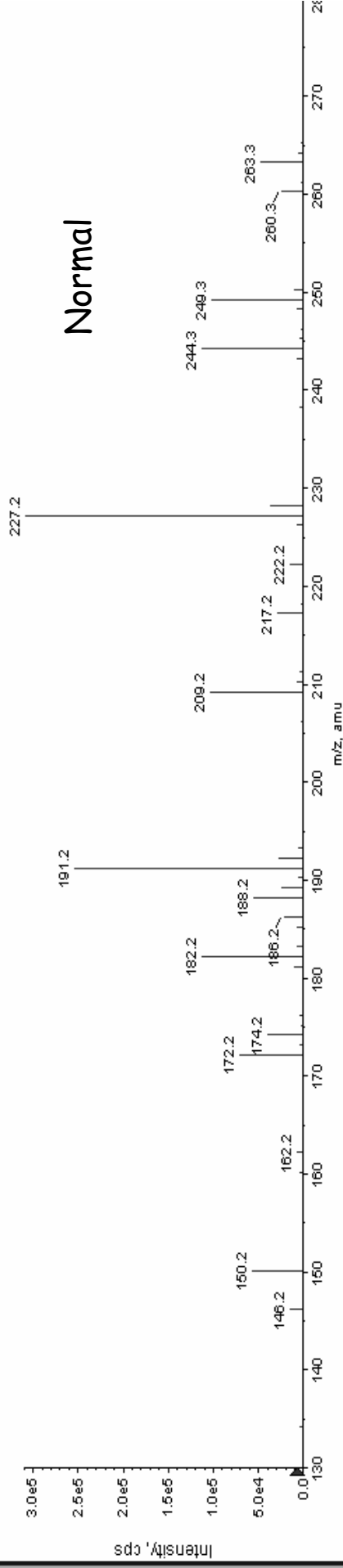
(Occurrence 1:15000)

Phenylalanine Hydroxylase (PKU)

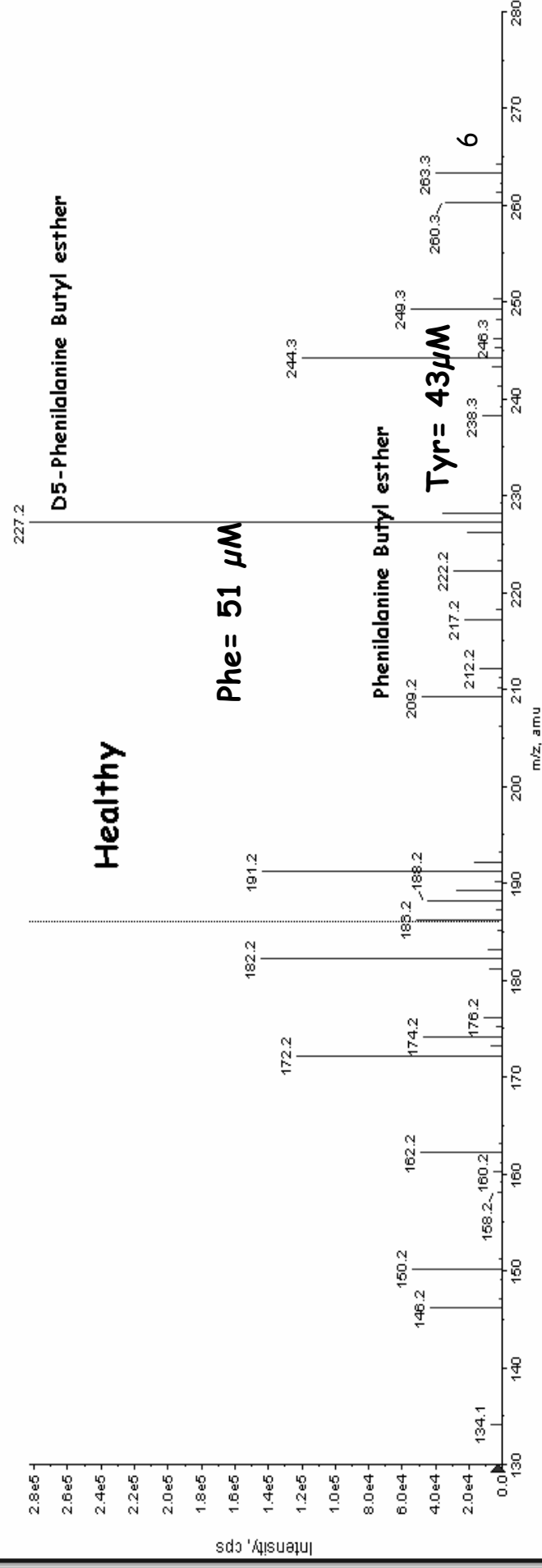
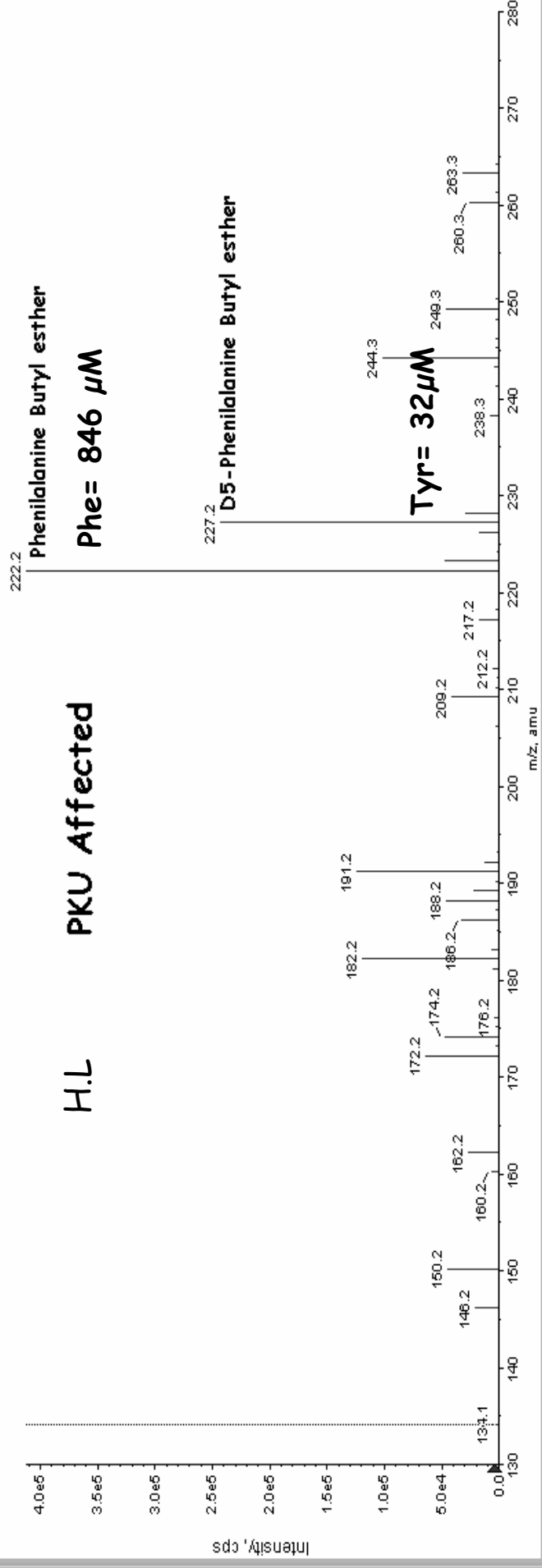
or co-factor  $BH_4$  Deficit

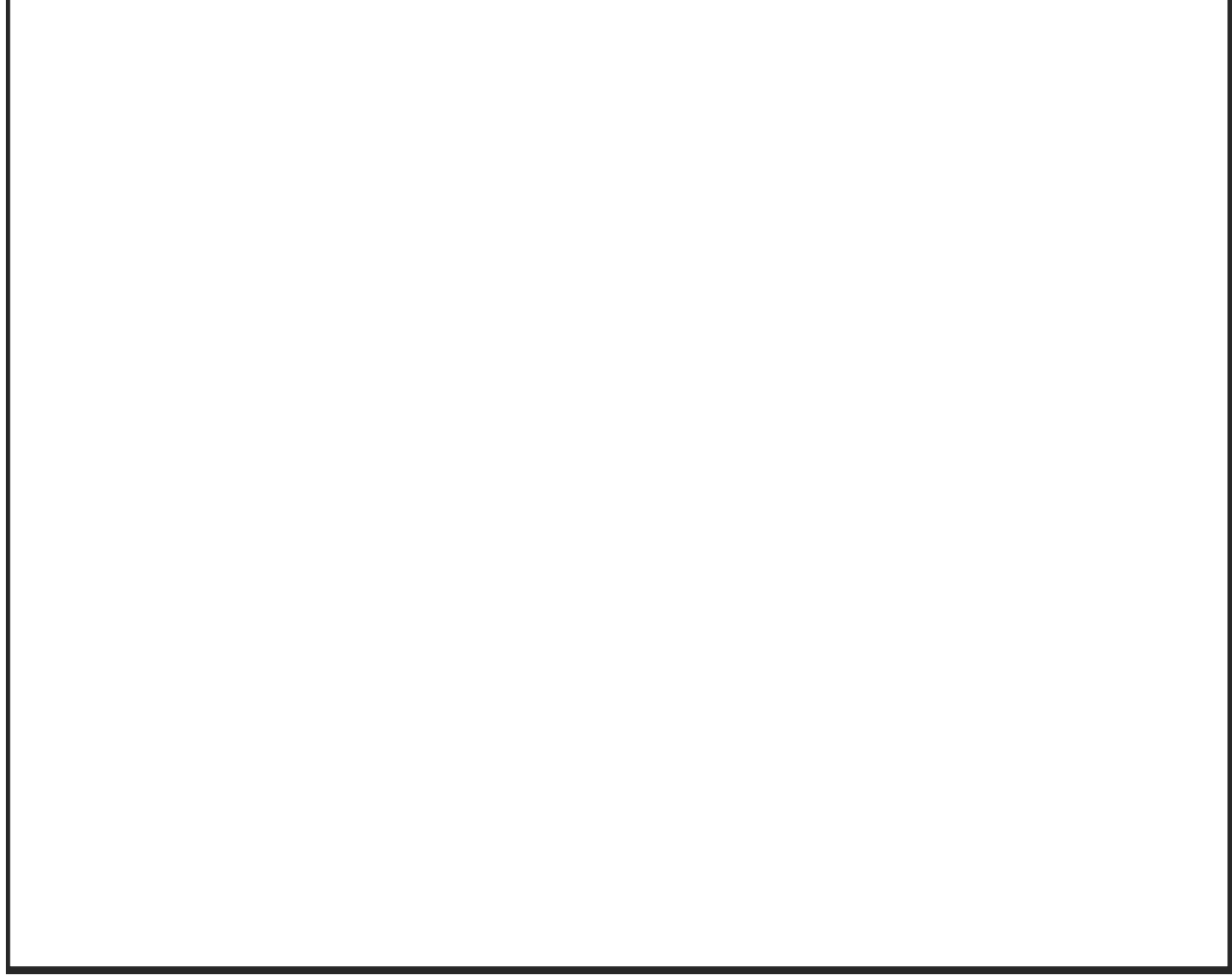
Toxic accumulation of Phenylalanine  
(SNC)

Mental retardation, epilepsy,  
depigmentation





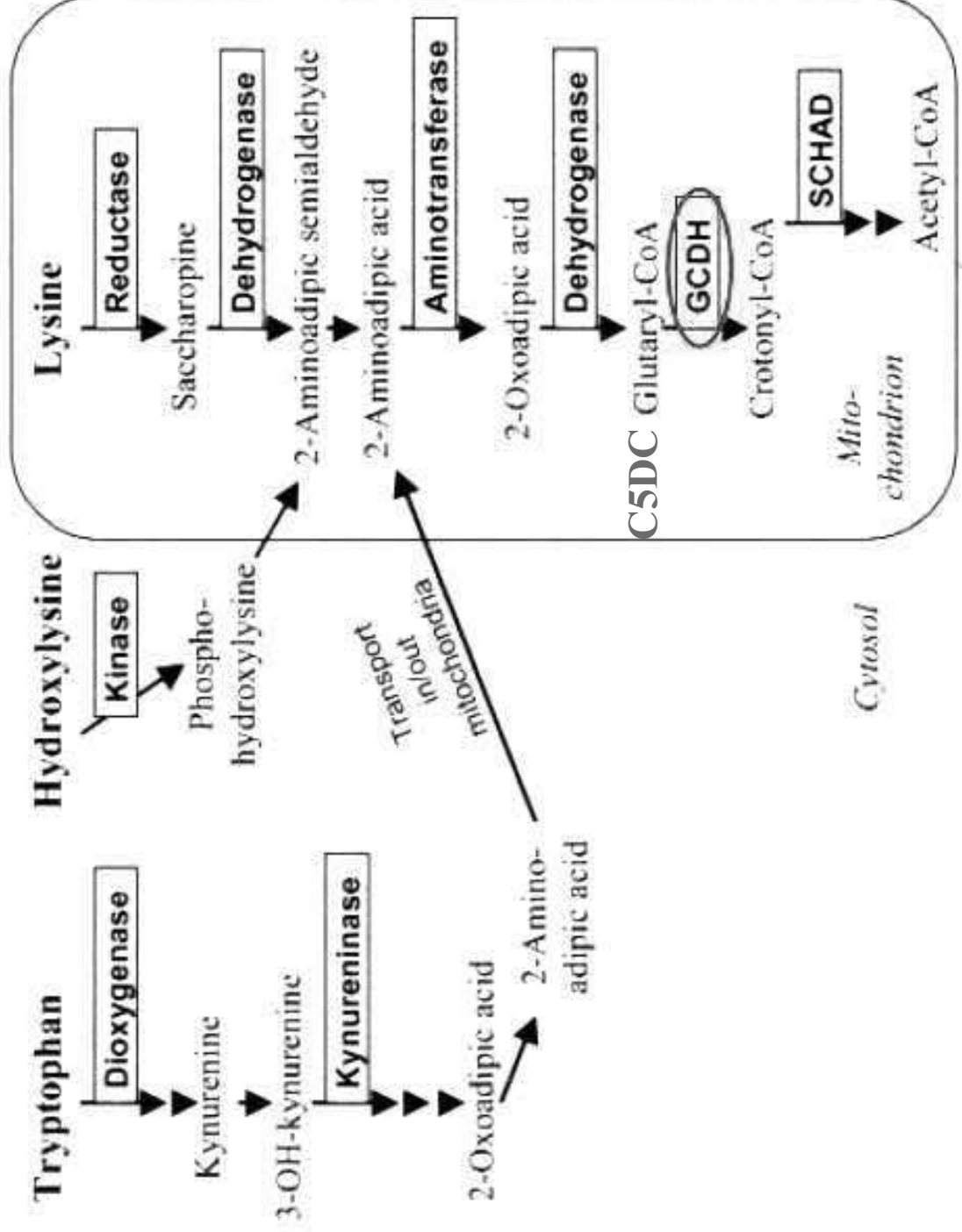




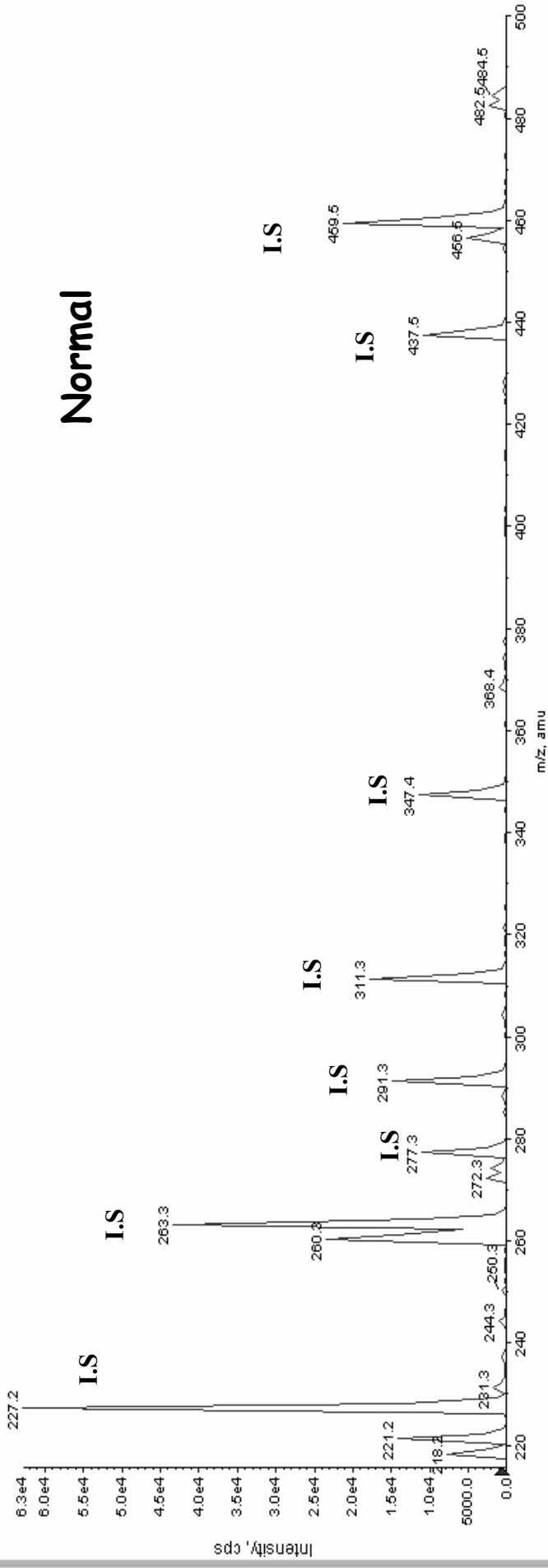
# Organic Acidurias

# GA GLUTARIC ACIDURIA TYPE I

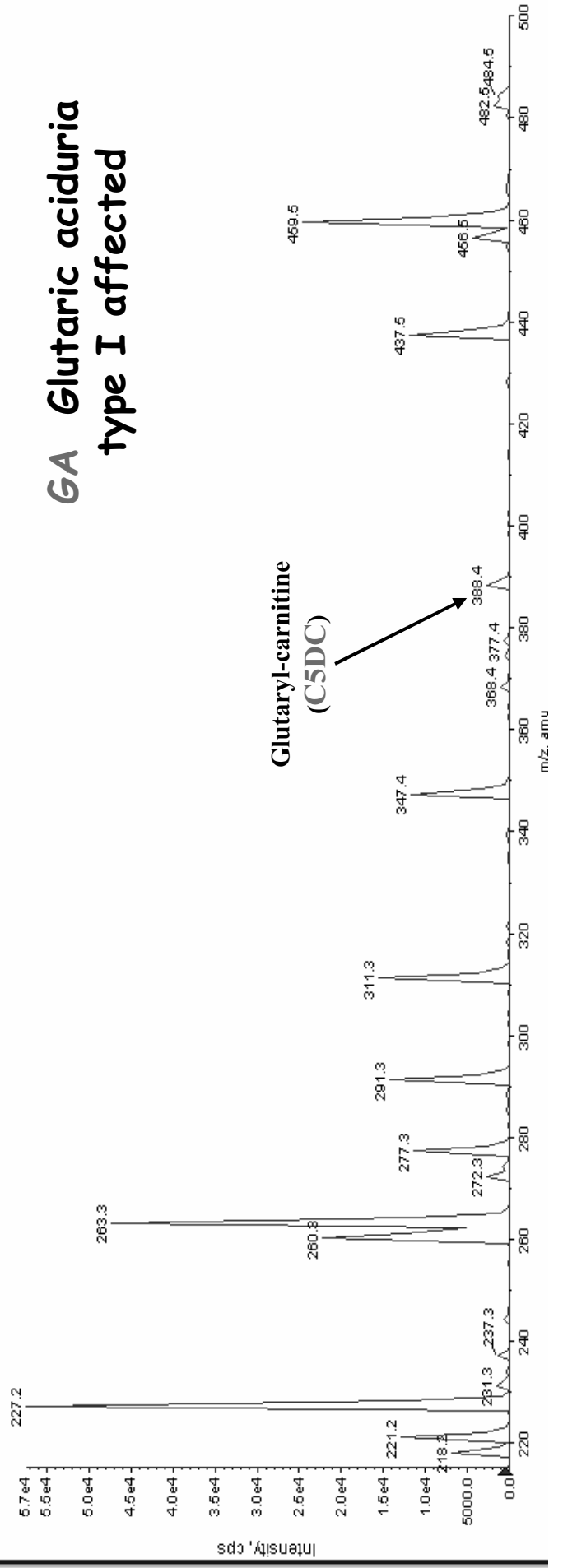
## Glutaryl-CoA Dehydrogenase



# Normal



# GA Glutaric aciduria type I affected







**GA early diagnosis (NBS)**

**PRECLINICAL DIAGNOSIS**

**EARLY THERAPY**



**BEST PROGNOSIS**



**GLUTARIC ACIDURIA TYPE I**

**Diagnosis at 23 mth**



**exitus at 32 mth**

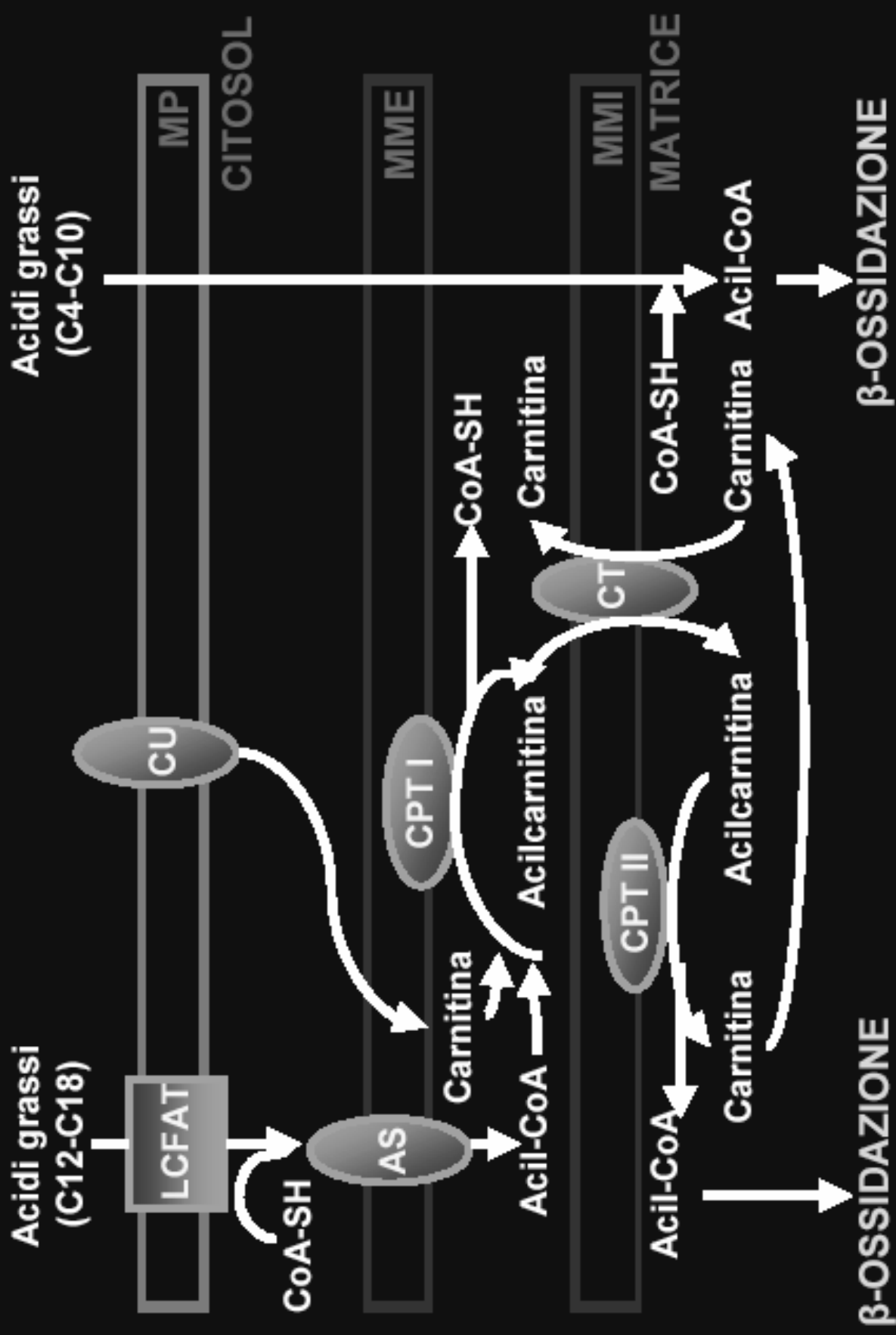




**$\beta$ -oxidation of fatty  
acids defects**



# MITOCHONDRIAL CARNITINE PATHWAY

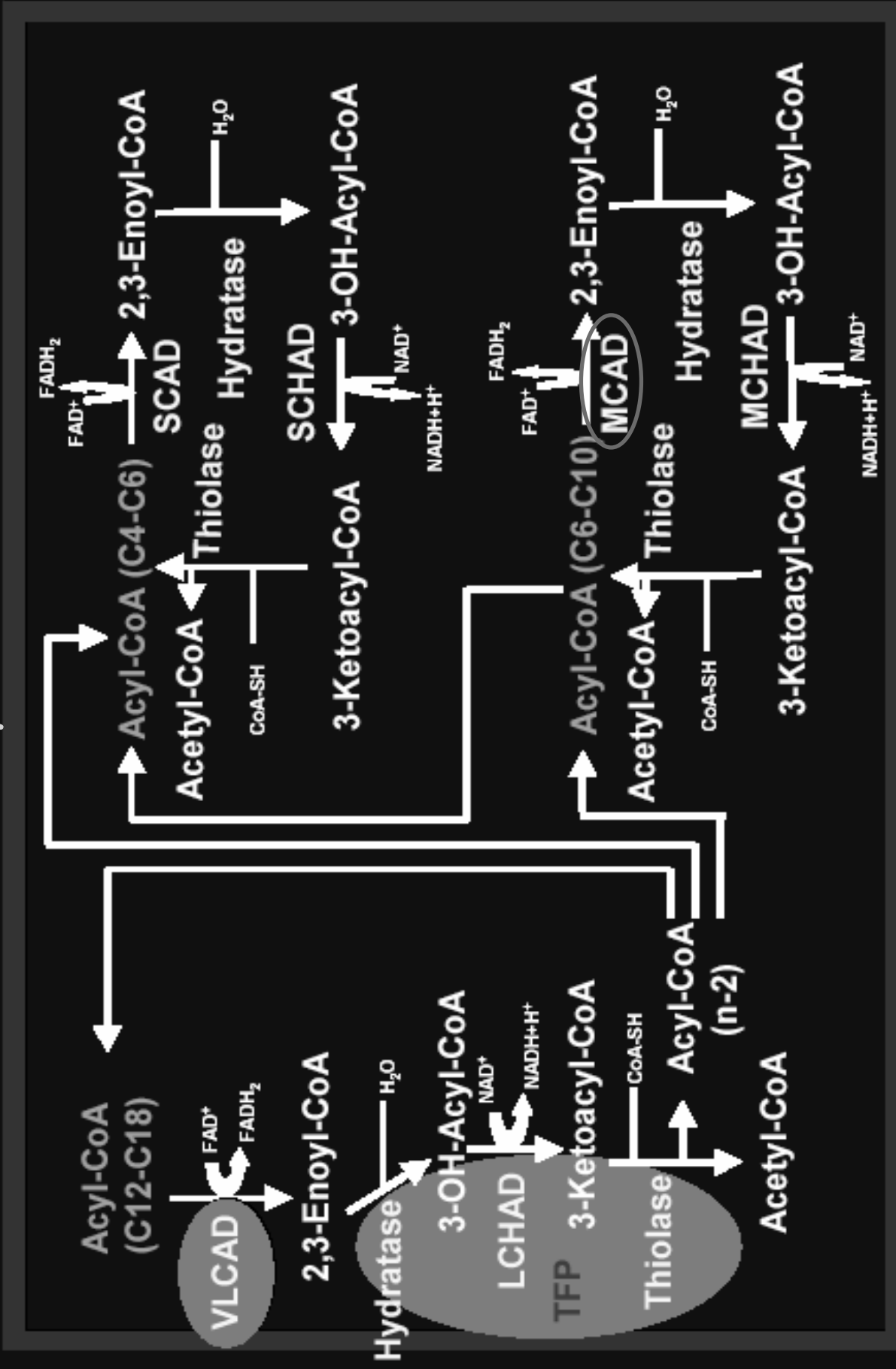


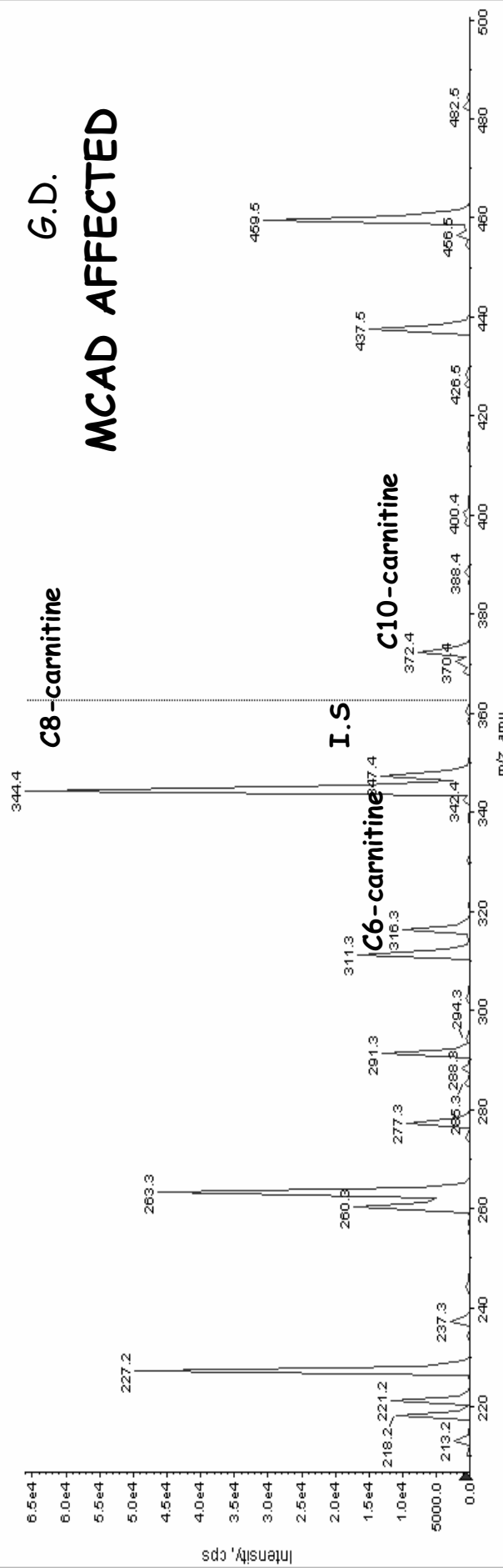
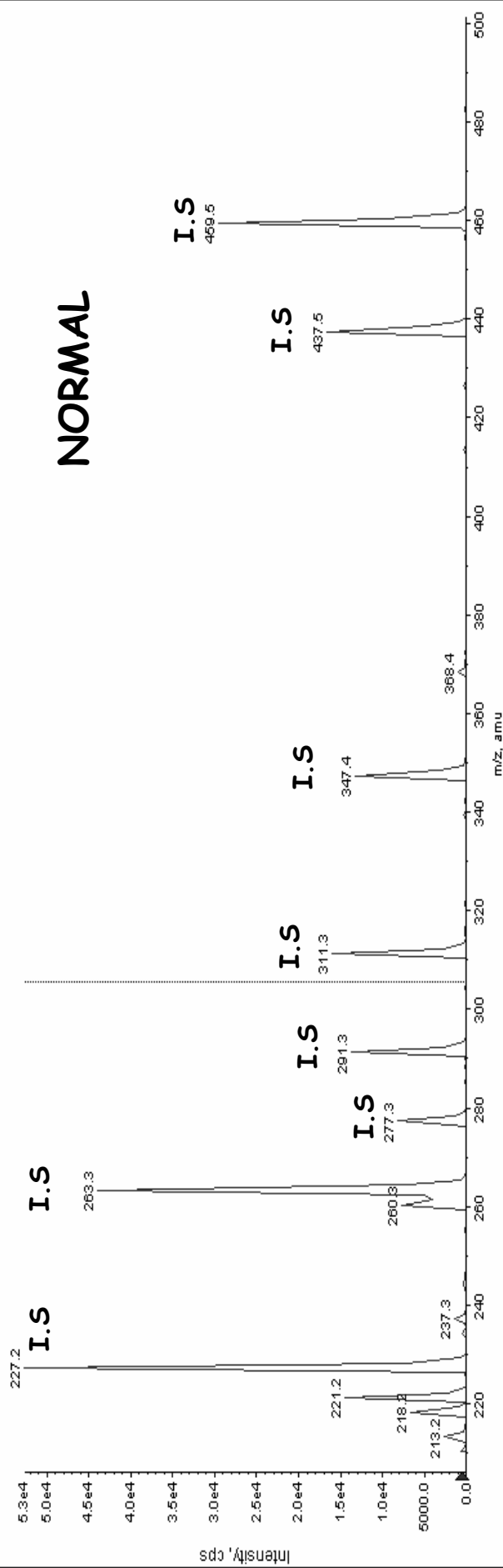
MCADD: Medium-Chain Acyl CoA  
Dehydrogenase Deficiency

AUTOSOMAL RECESSIVE

Estimated occurrence ~1:15000  
Caucasian births

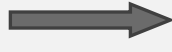
# $\beta$ -oxidation of long, medium and short chain fatty acids





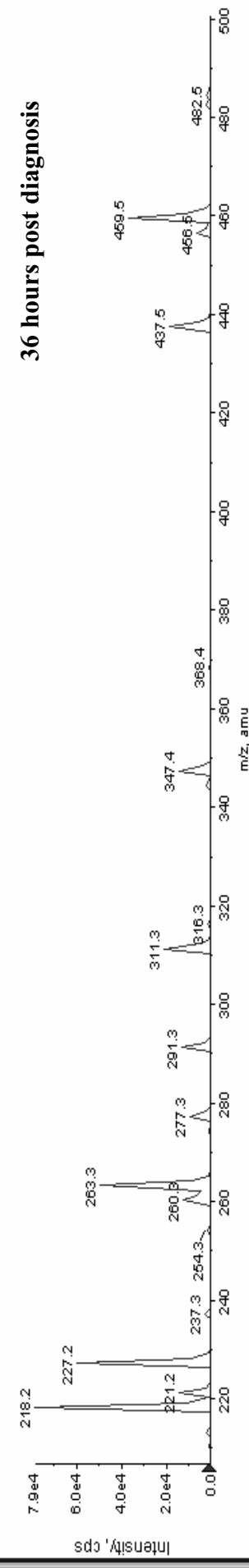
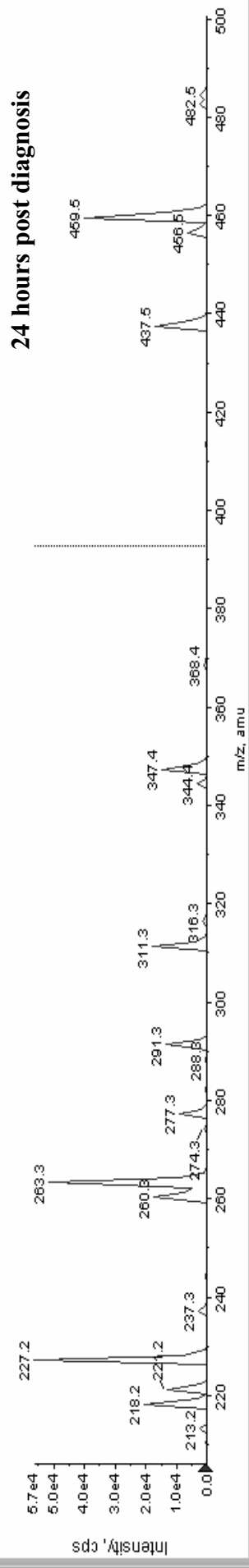
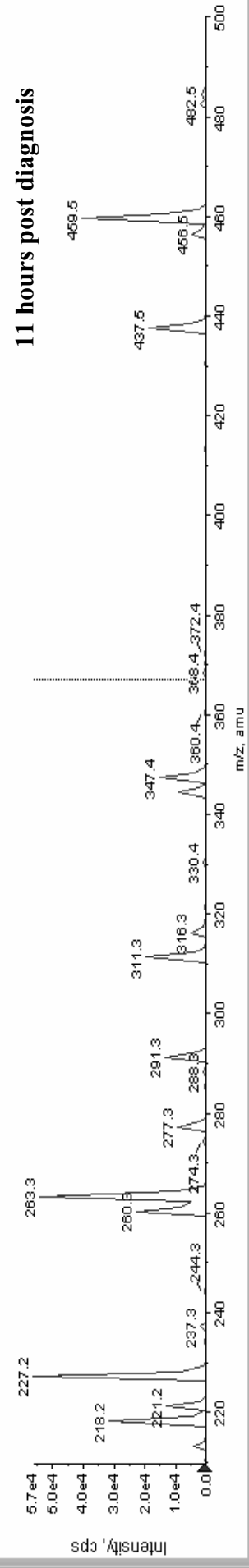
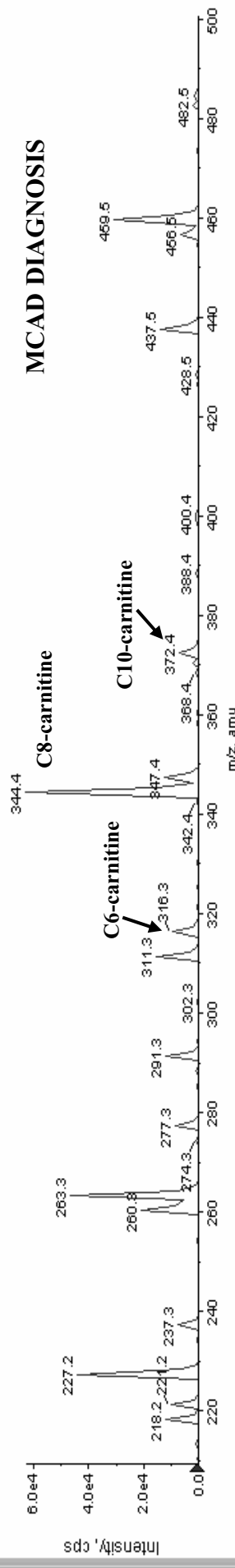
# EMERGENCY THERAPY

Glucose i.v 7-10 mg/Kg/min



No activation of lipolytic pathway

Supplementation with carnitine is currently  
done (30-50 mg/Kg/die)



# LONG TERM MANAGEMENT

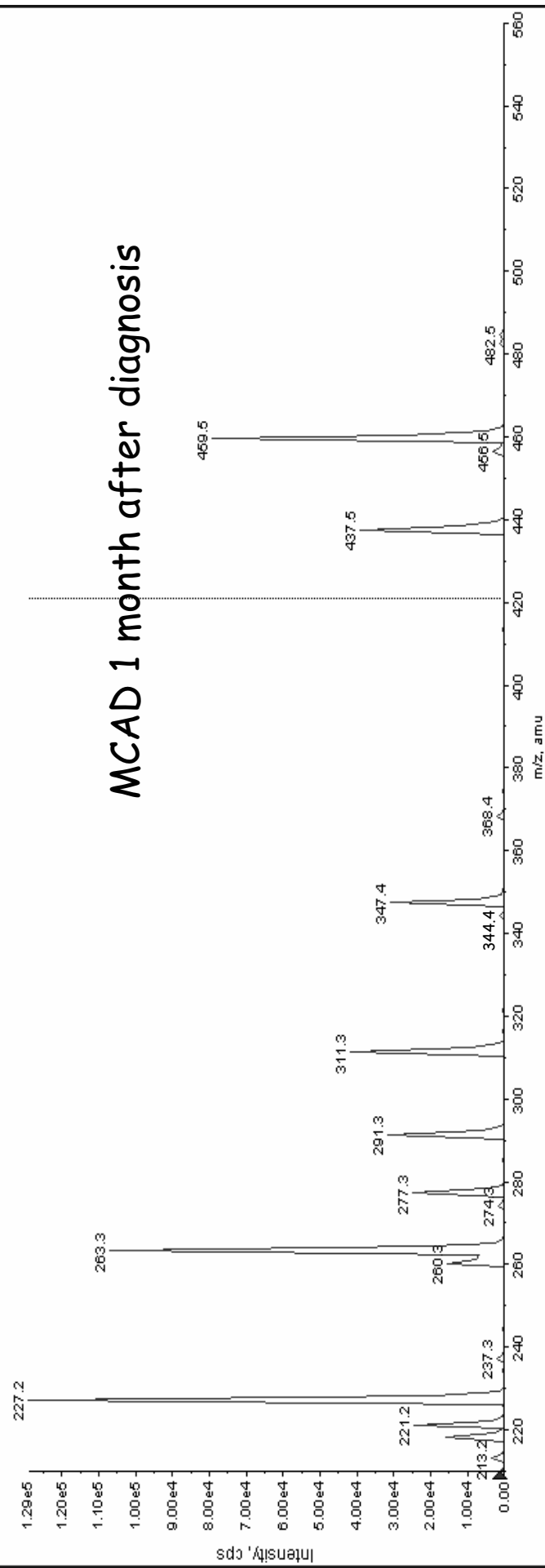
avoid fasting;

adequate caloric intake;

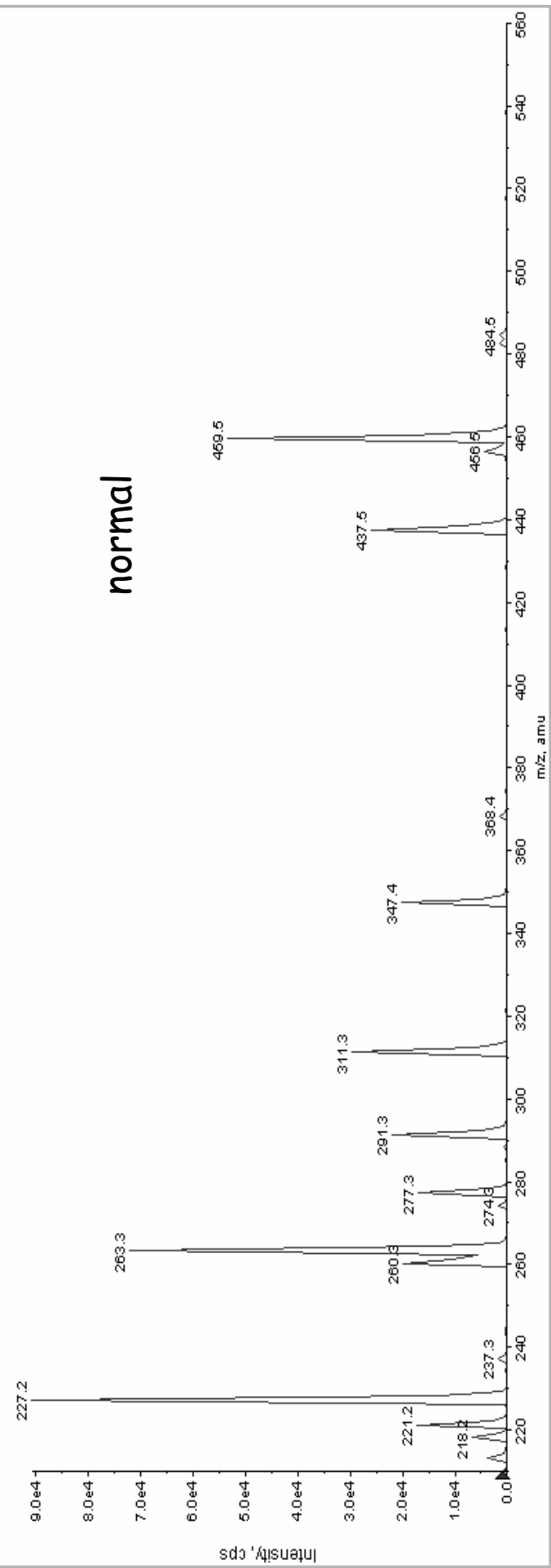
frequent meals;

carnitine supplementation (30-50 mg/Kg/die)

# MCAD 1 month after diagnosis



# normal





# DEFICIT DI MCAD

- Episodi di ipoglicemia ipochetotica
  - Epatomegalia
  - Episodi Reye like
- dopo digiuno prolungato  
dopo infezione

## DIAGNOSI POSTSINTOMATICA (120 paz.)

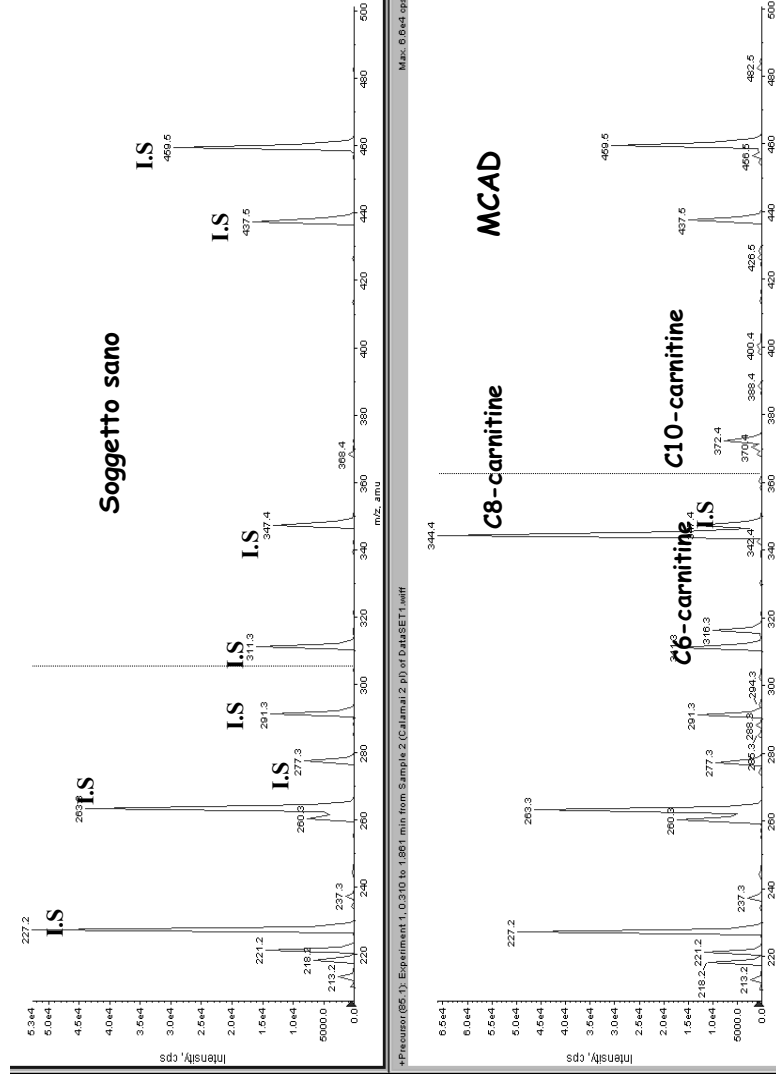
Coma 84%  
Patologia neurologica residua 40%  
Mortalità 20%

## SCREENING NEONATALE in LC-MS/MS

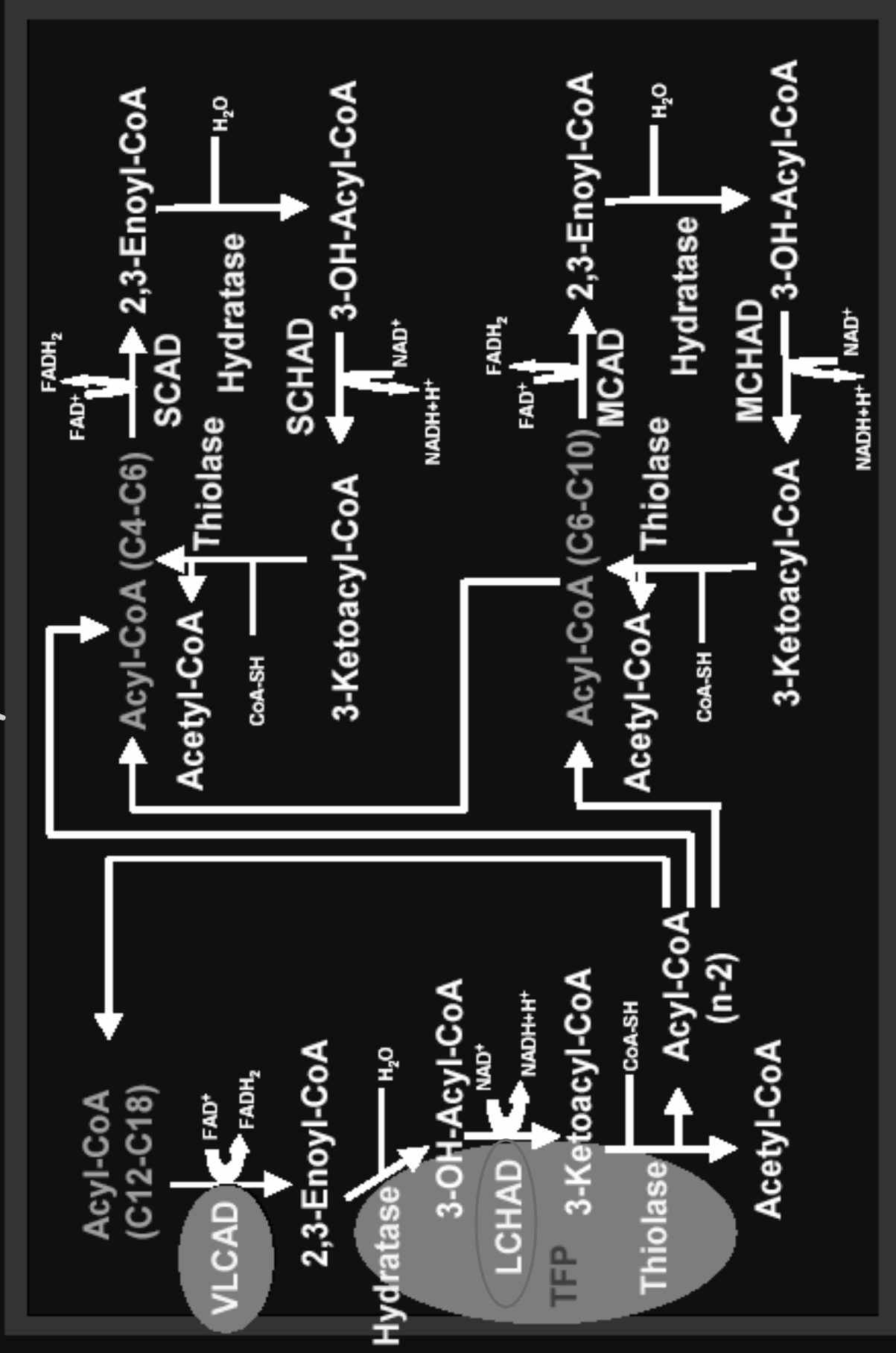
## DIAGNOSI PRESINTOMATICA (62 paz.)

Coma 0%  
Ritardo mentale 0%  
Mortalità 0%

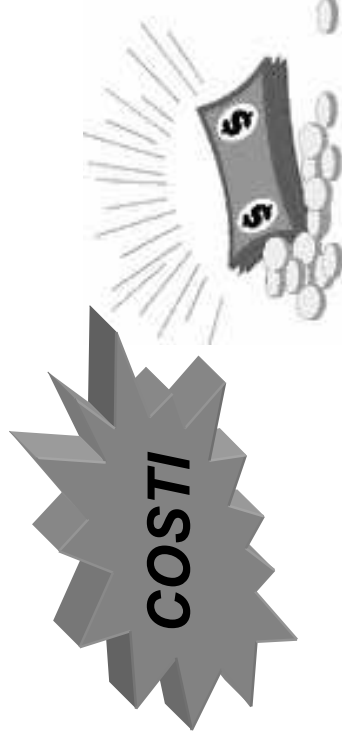
Muntau 1999-2003



# $\beta$ -oxidation of long, medium and short chain fatty acids







**Circa 1 euro a difetto/neonato = 50 euro test per il programma se la spesa viene razionalizzata con la creazione di centri screening interregionali**