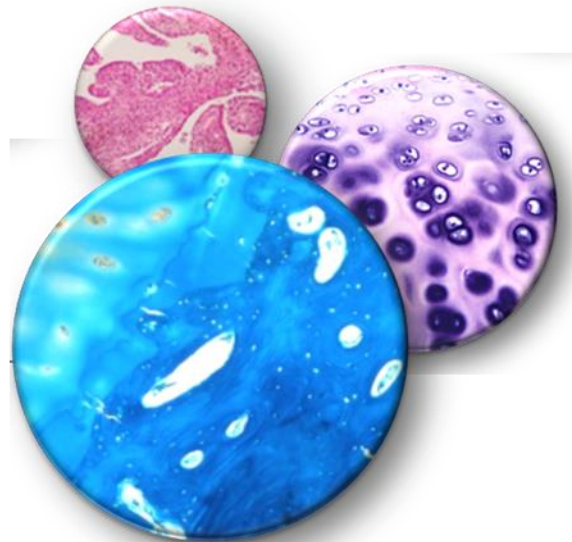




Biomarkers of Osteoarthritis

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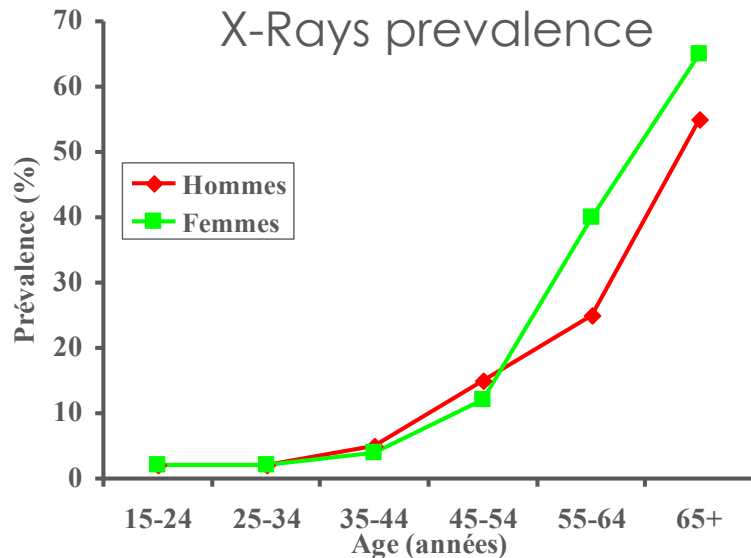



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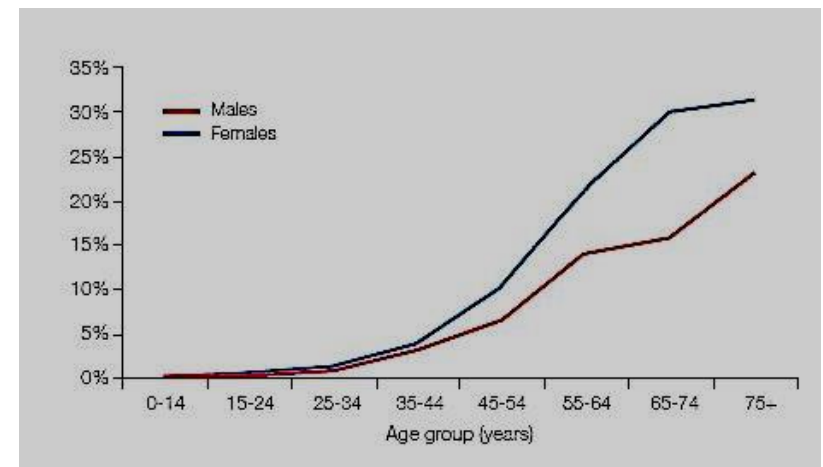
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Osteoarthritis: an ageing-related disease



Symptoms prevalence



A 65 ans, 30% des sujets ont une arthrose invalidante

Osteoarthritis an «old disease»

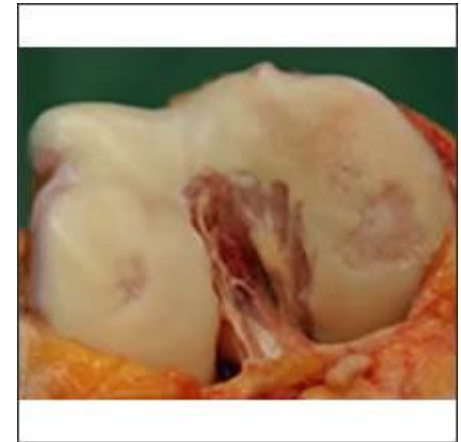
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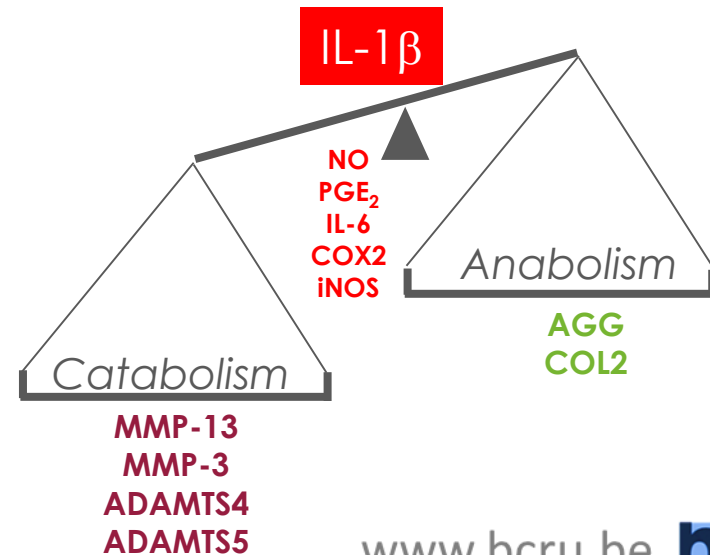
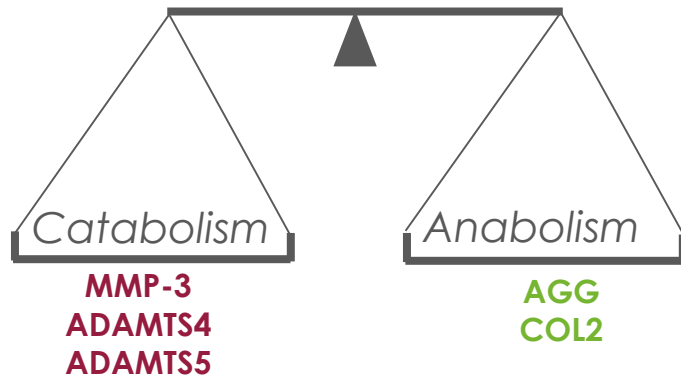
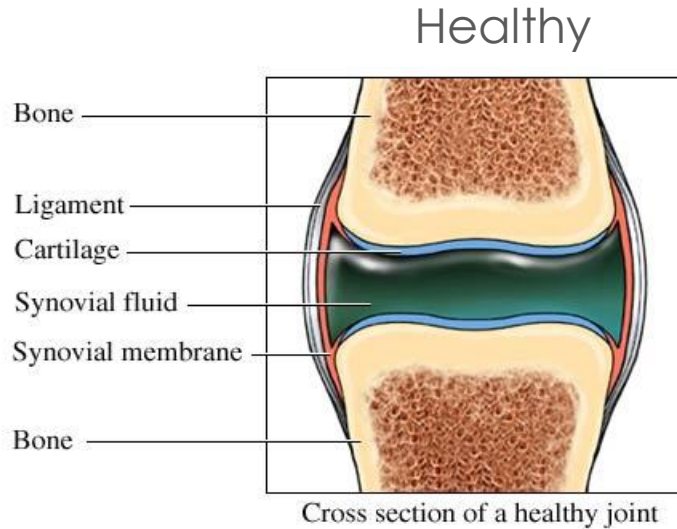
Overloading
Overuse
Joint instability
Malignancy



Cartilage degradation

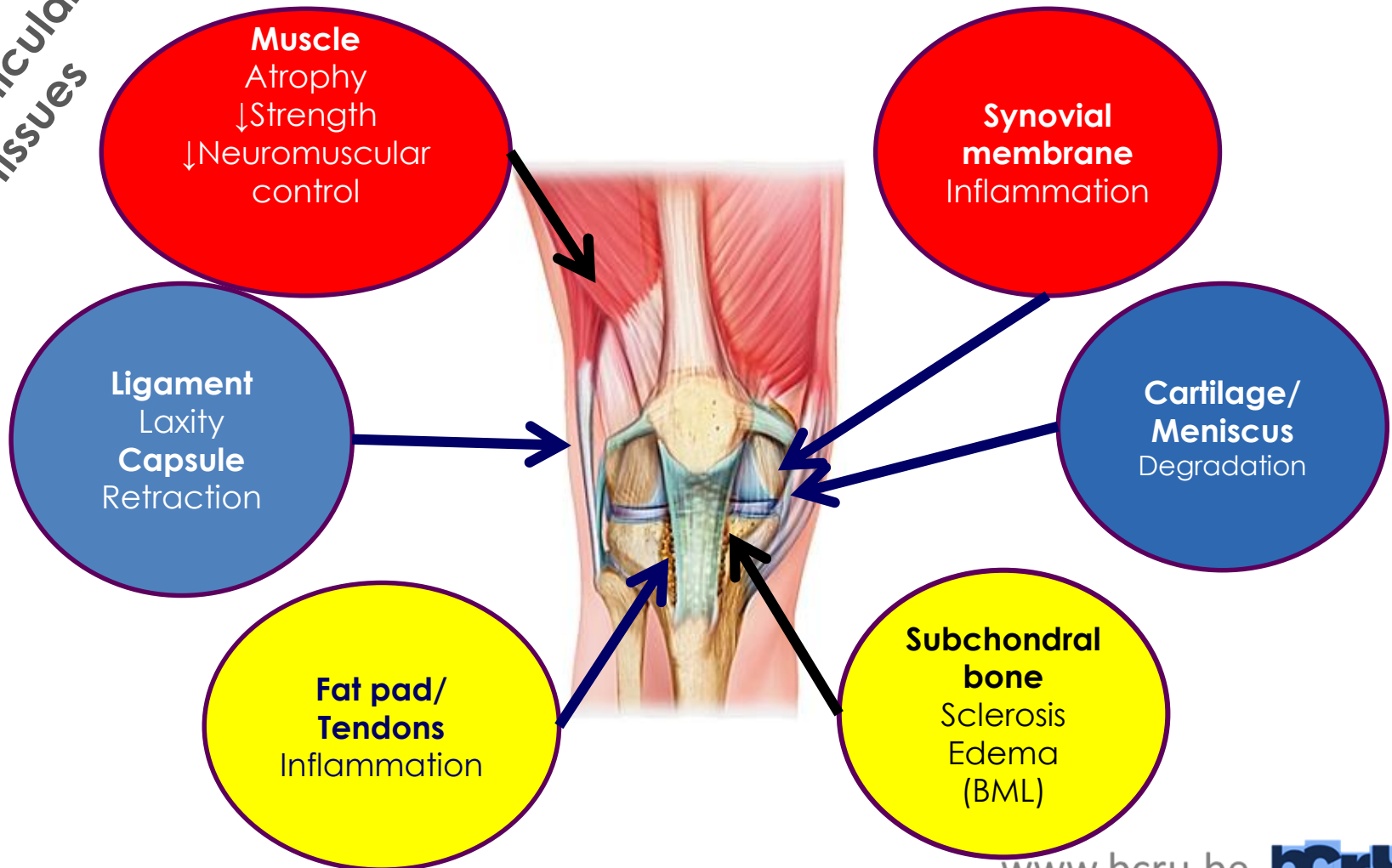


Adysregulation of chondrocyte metabolism



OA affects the whole joint and surrounding tissue

Periarticular tissues



OA diagnosis : symptoms and standard radiography

X-ray



Osteophytes
Joint space narrowing
Bone sclerosis
Attrition
Geodes

Pain
Stiffness
Swelling
Cracks
Deformity
Malalignment

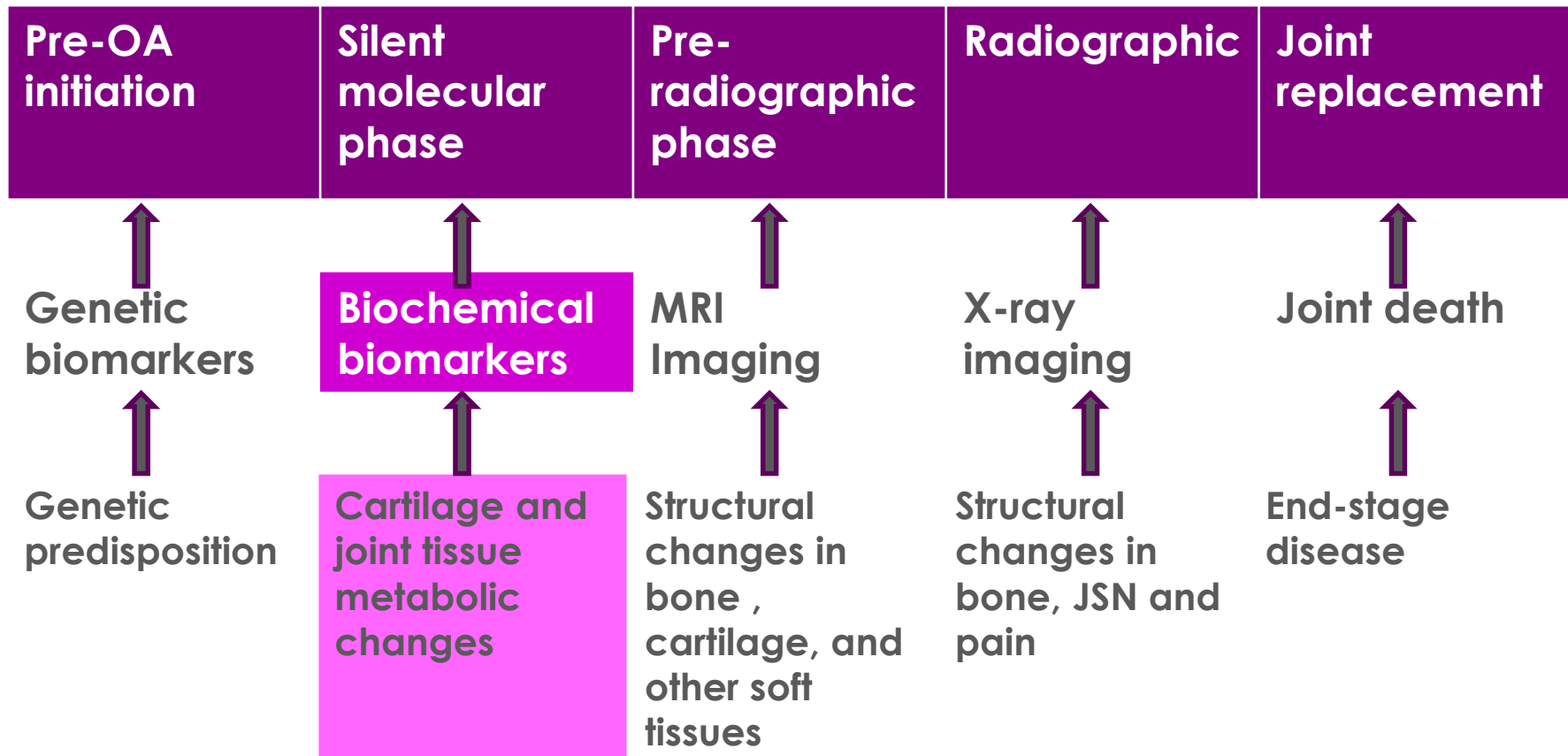
Symptoms



These signs and symptoms occur in the late stage of the disease

Radiographic and clinical signs are preceded by a silent molecular phase

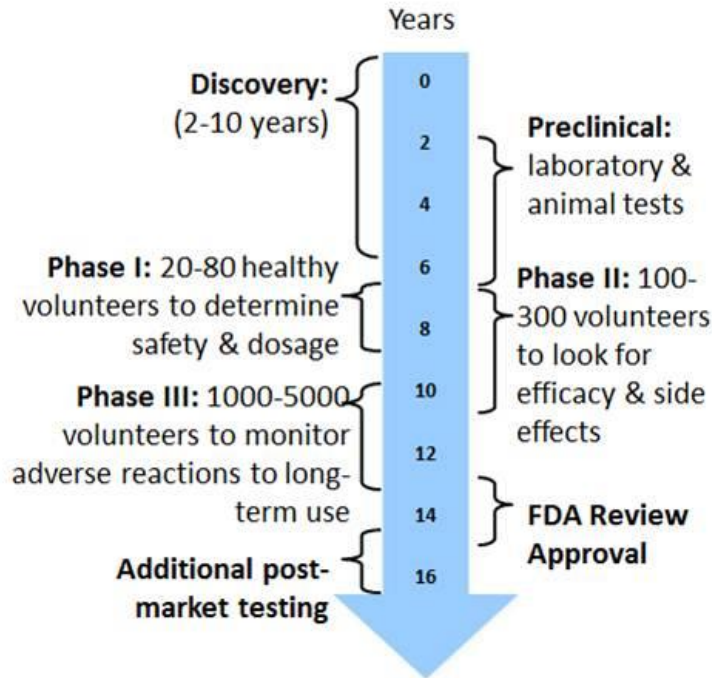
(D Patra & L Sandell, J Knee Surg, 2011)



...To diagnose the disease at the silent molecular phase

Drug discovery is protracted, risky and costly

R&D is risky & costly



Nothing new to offer at the patients and the OA research community





Clinical trials end-point

- **Symptoms modification** (3 to 6 months)

Pain

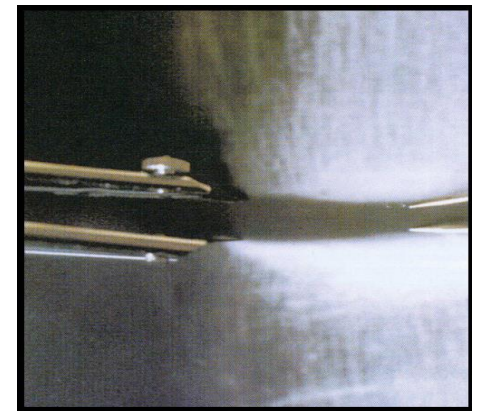
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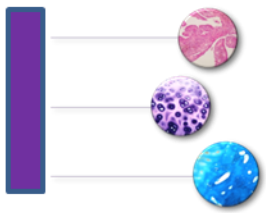
Patient global assessment

- **Structure modification** (1 to 3 years)

Imaging outcomes

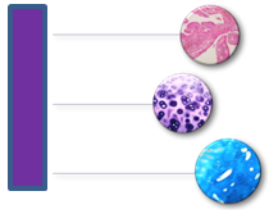
Joint Space Narrowing





The main limitations of JSN

- Indirect measure of the alteration in articular cartilage.
- Fails to measure a dynamic process
- Confounded by the presence of meniscal lesions and extrusion.
- Changes overtime are small, and occur in only a subset (progressors) of patients.
- Poorly reproducible (full extension).
- Poorly correlated with joint function and pain.



Why do we need of biological markers?

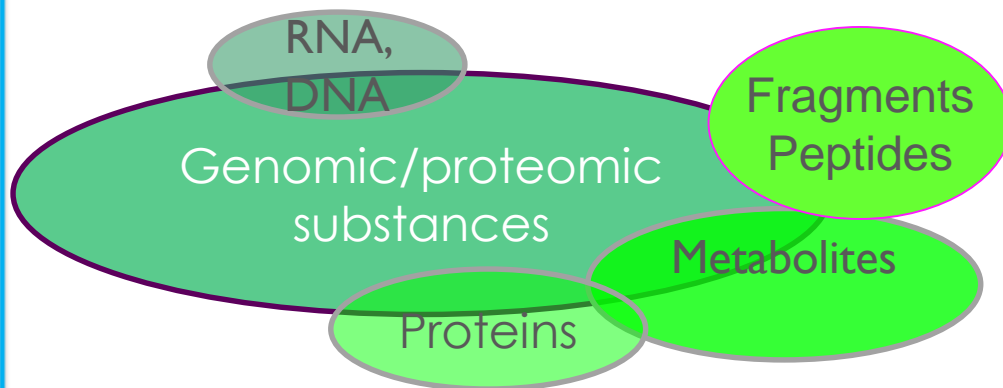
- To enrich our understanding of OA pathogenesis
- To detect early OA
- To discriminate progressor and non progressor
- To monitor progression of OA and efficacy of treatment
- To surrogate clinical end-point
- To decrease the length and cost of trials

Definition - Classification

A biomarker is a characteristic that is objectively measured and evaluated as an indicator of normal biologic processes, pathogenic processes, or pharmacologic responses to a therapeutic intervention. »

Biomarkers Definitions Working Group I. Biomarkers and surrogate endpoints: preferred definitions and conceptual framework. Clin Pharmacol Ther 2001; 69: 89-95.

Soluble or « wet » biomarkers



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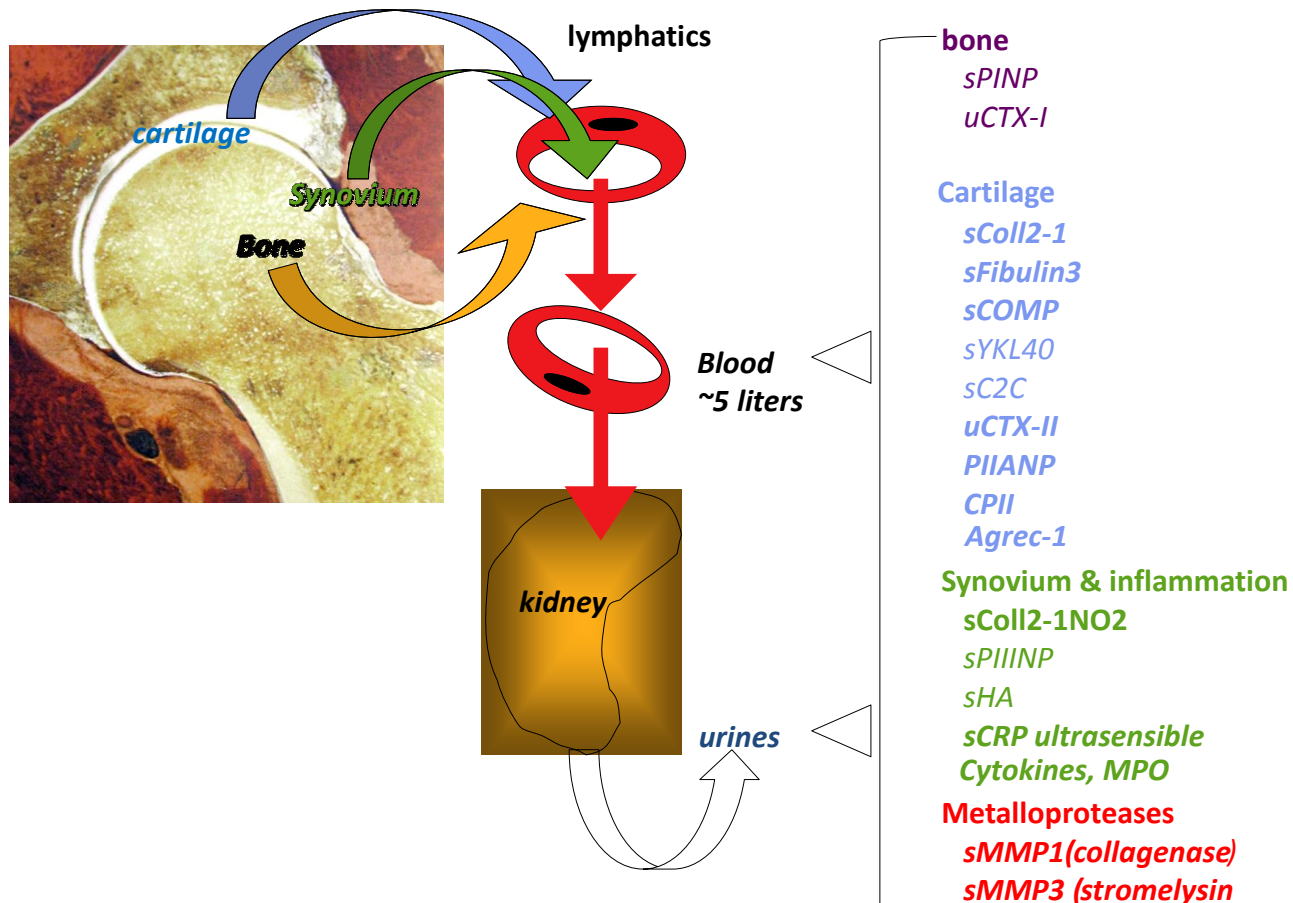
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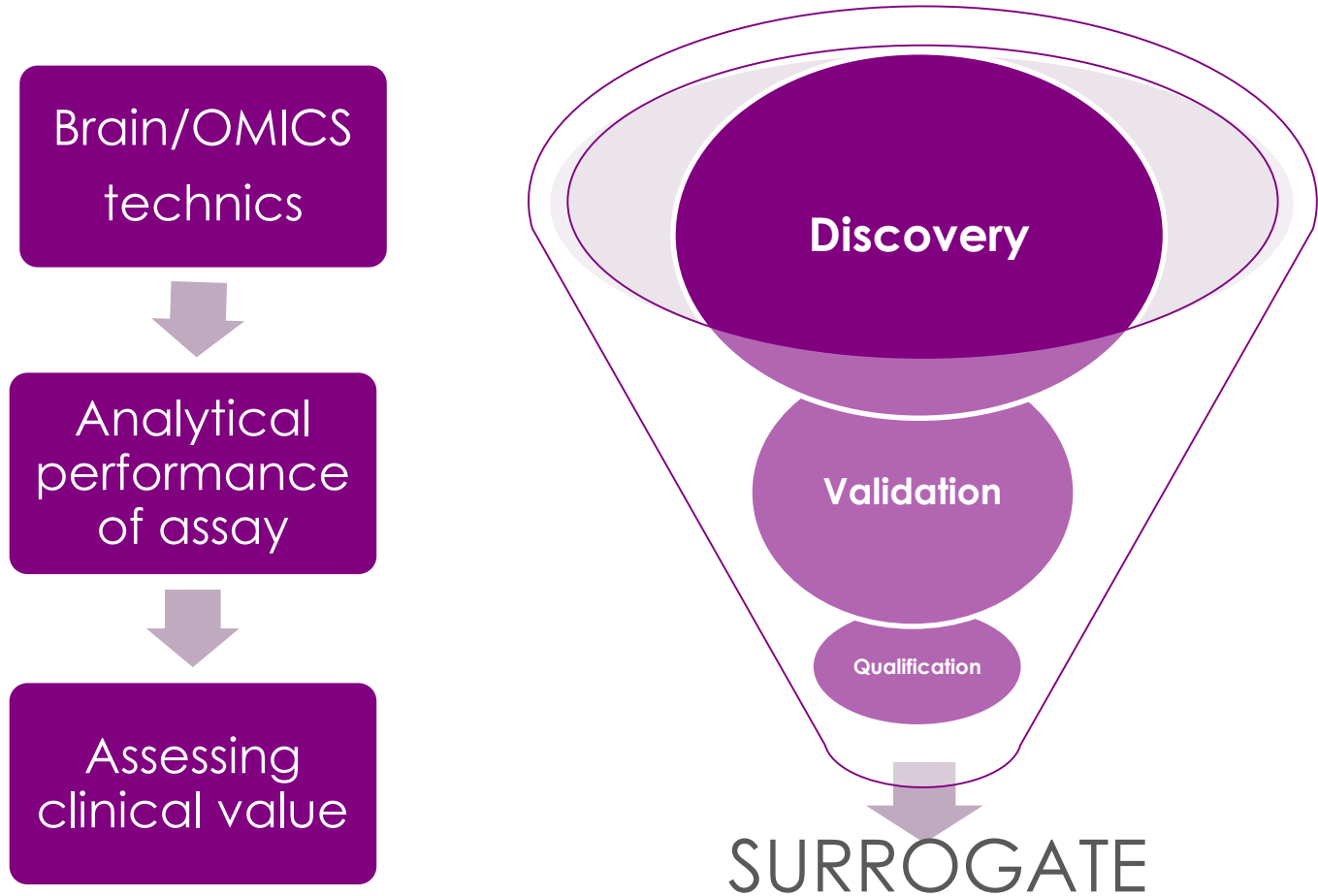
OA Biomarker candidates



The long and winding road...

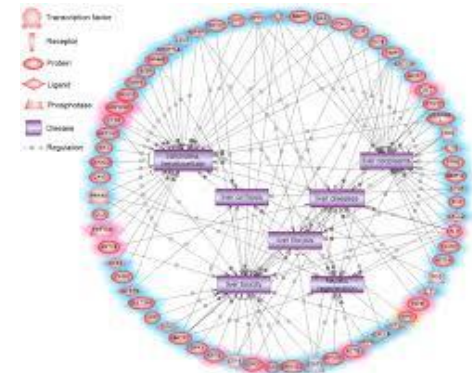
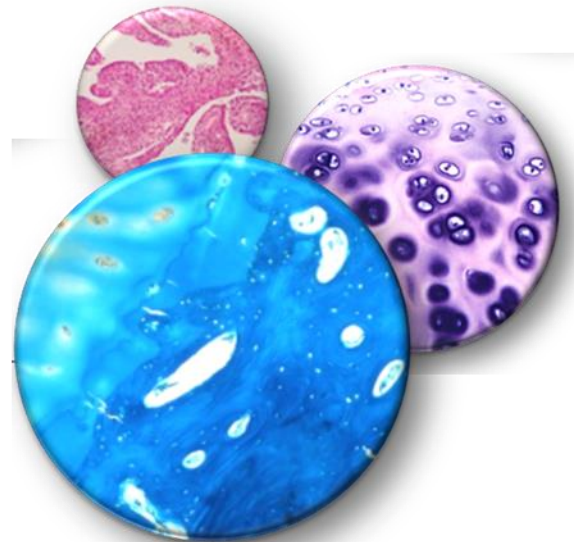


Process of soluble biomarkers development



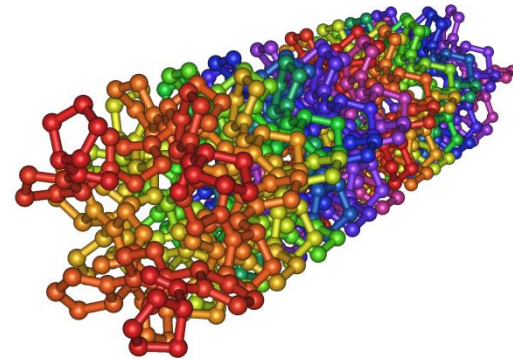
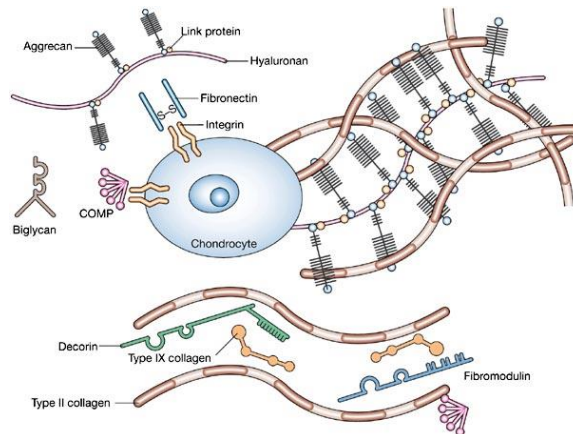


Discovery

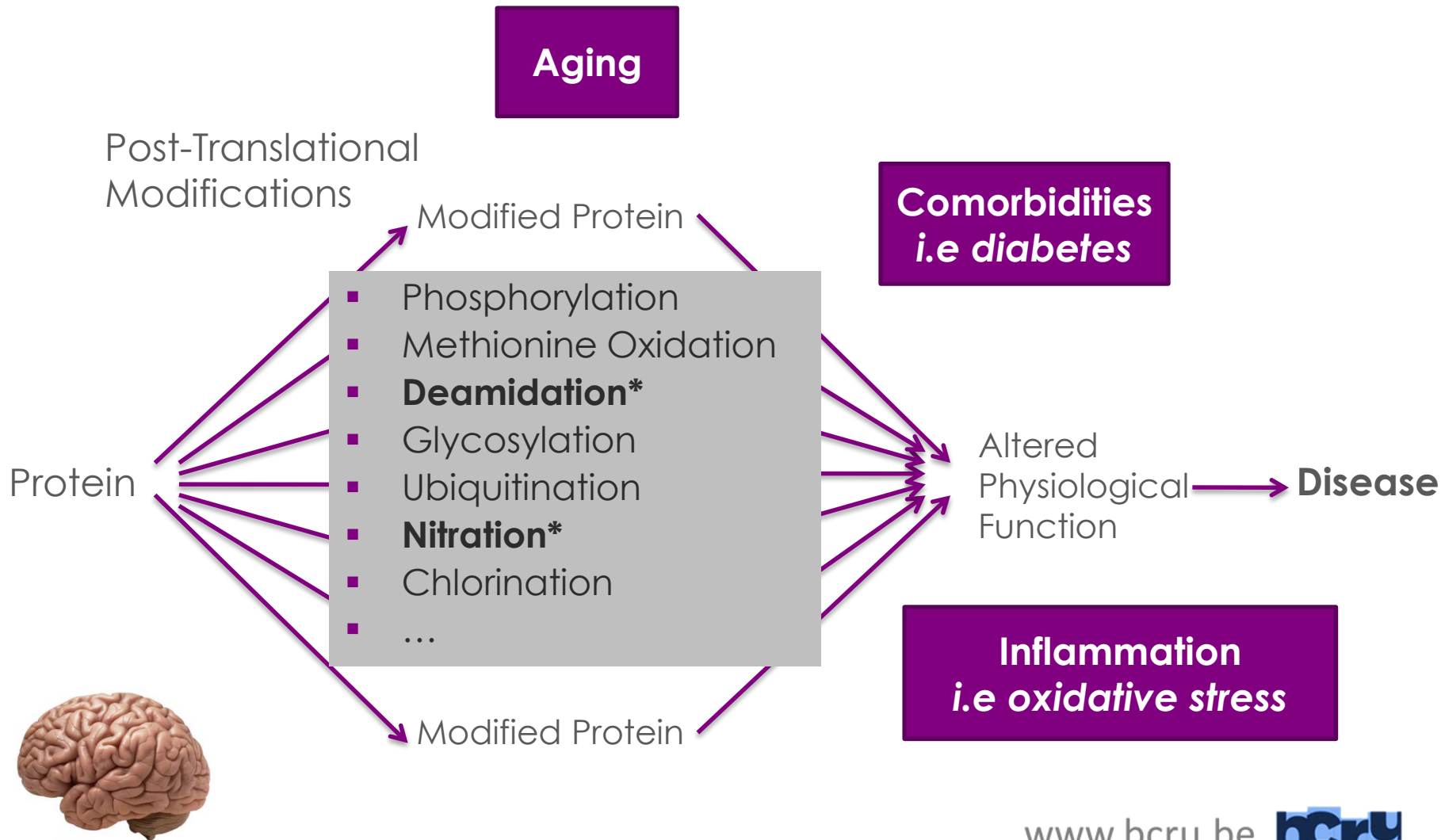


The rationale

- The most abundant protein in cartilage
- Relatively specific of hyaline cartilage
- Makes up only 1% of all collagens
- Collagen breakdown is a critical event in the pathology of osteoarthritis



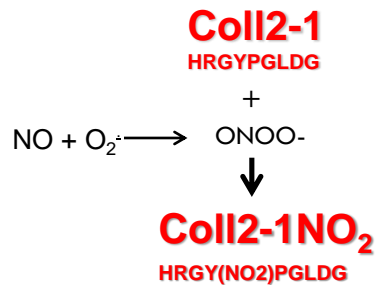
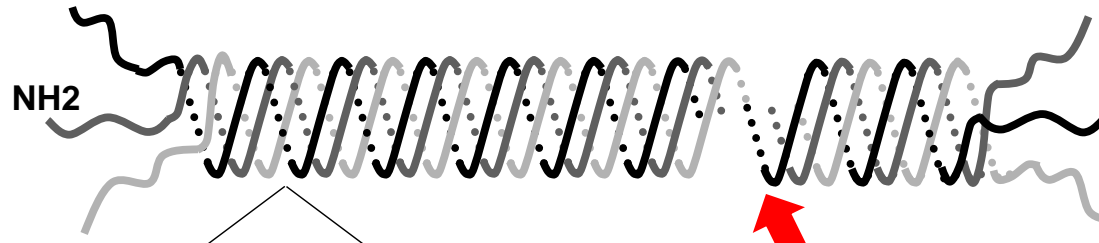
Post-translational modifications





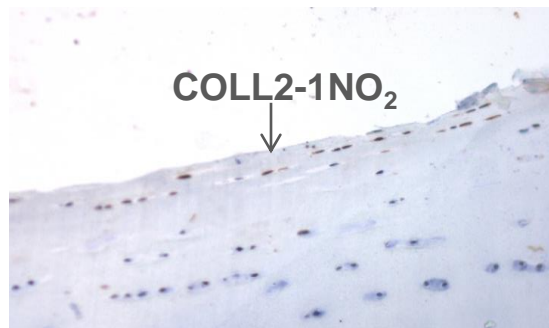
Coll2-1NO₂: a joint inflammation related biomarkers

Deberg et al. O&C 2008



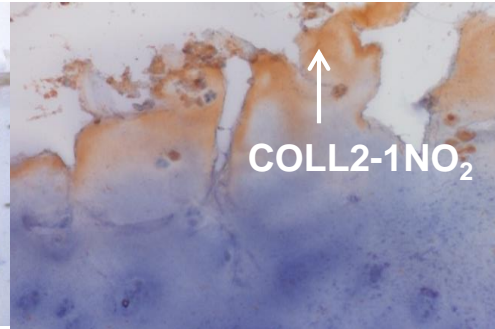
Cleavage site of MMP-1, MMP-8 and MMP-13 of *type II Collagen* molecule

HEALTHY CARTILAGE

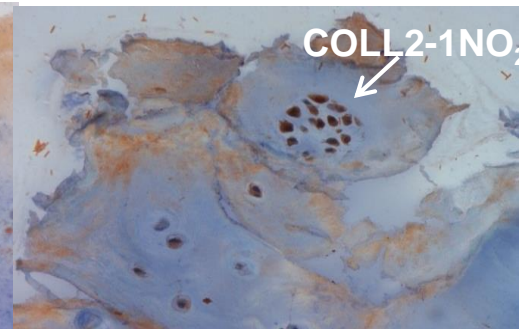


DAMAGED CARTILAGE

FIBRILLATION ZONE

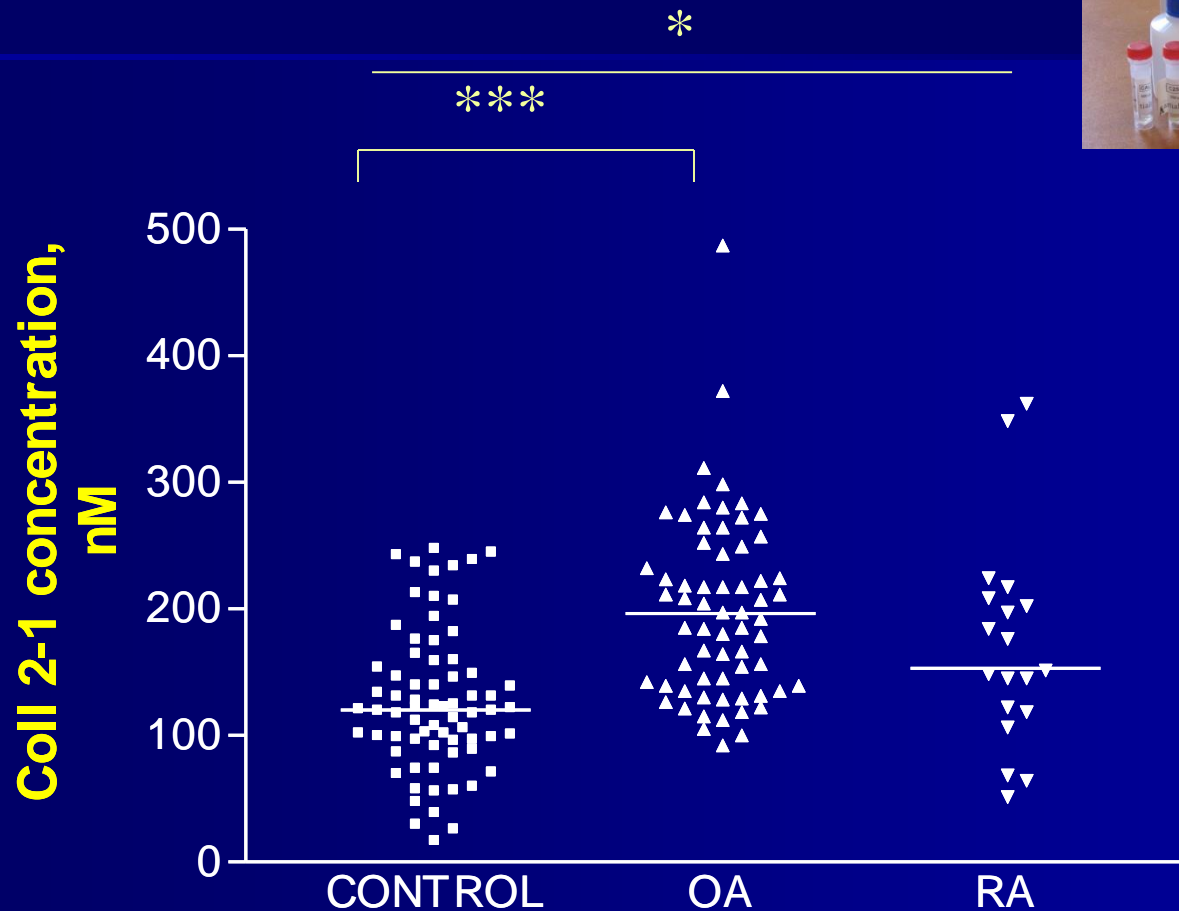


CELL CLUSTER ZONE



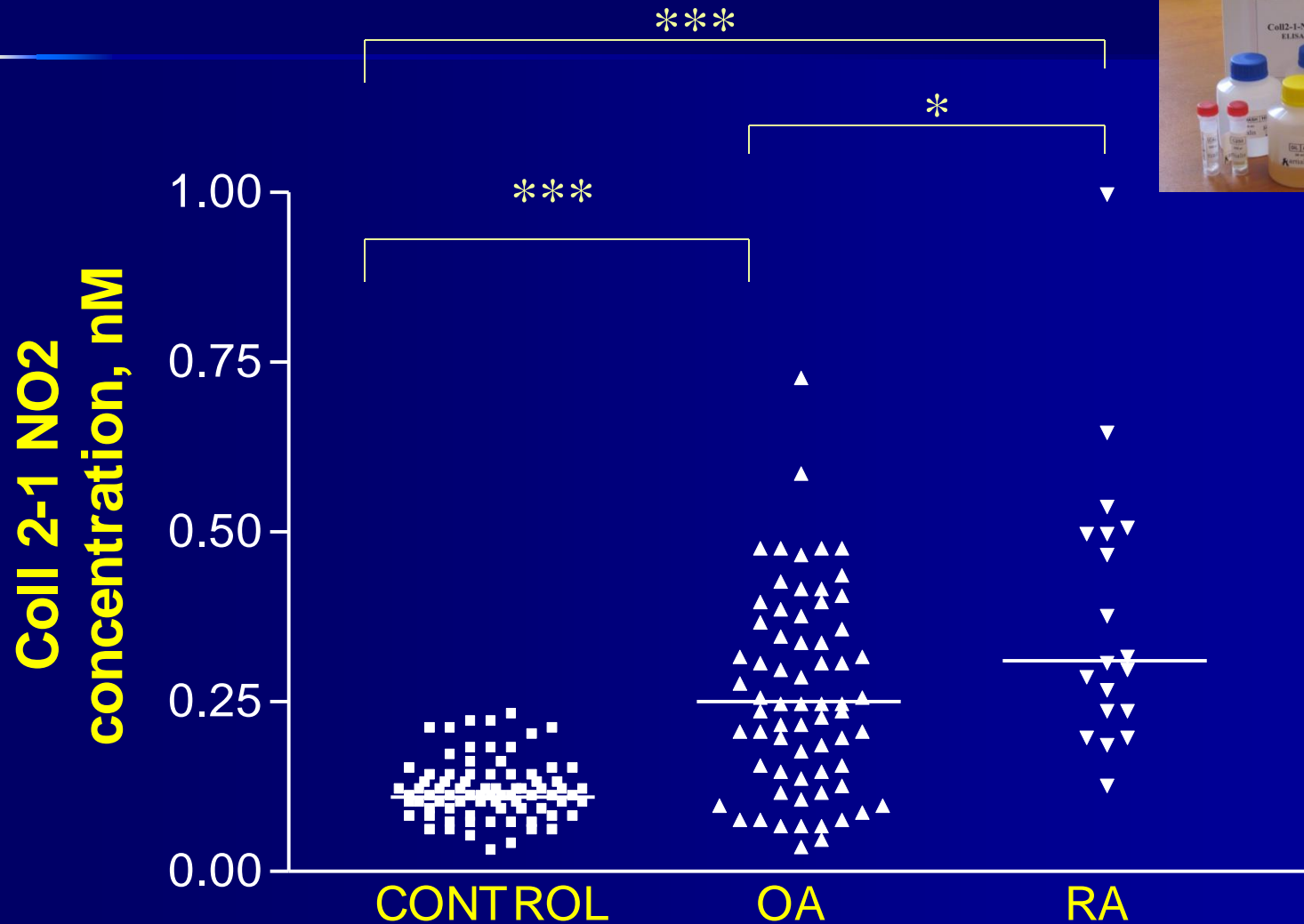
COLL 2-1 IN OA AND RA

Serum levels

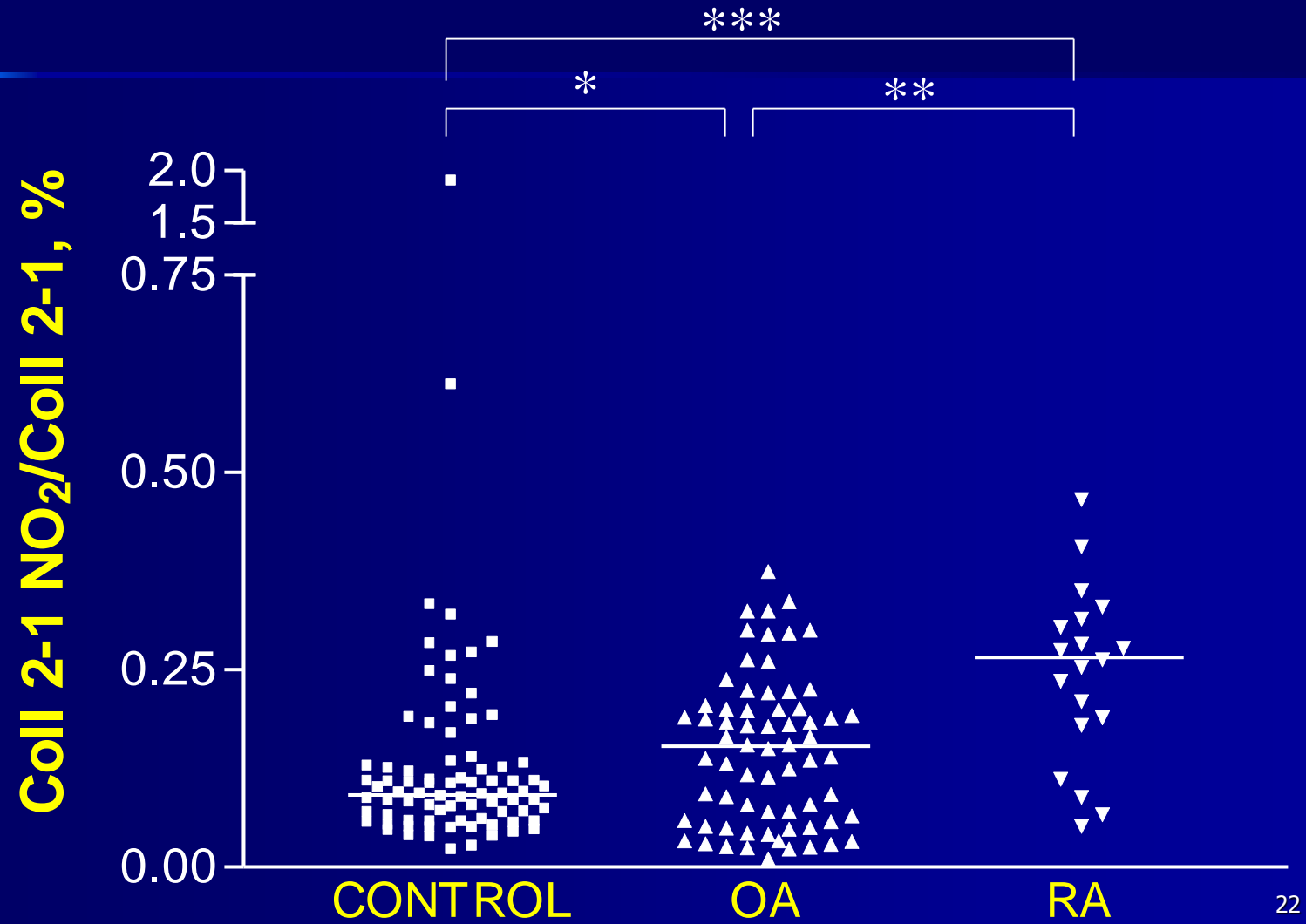


Deberg M et al. New serum biochemical markers (Coll2-1 and Coll2-1NO2) for studying oxidative-related type II collagen network degradation in patients with OA and RA. *Osteoarthritis Cart* 2005; 13: 258-65.

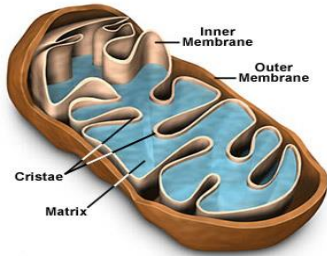
Diagnosis: COLL 2-1NO₂ discriminates OA and RA patients



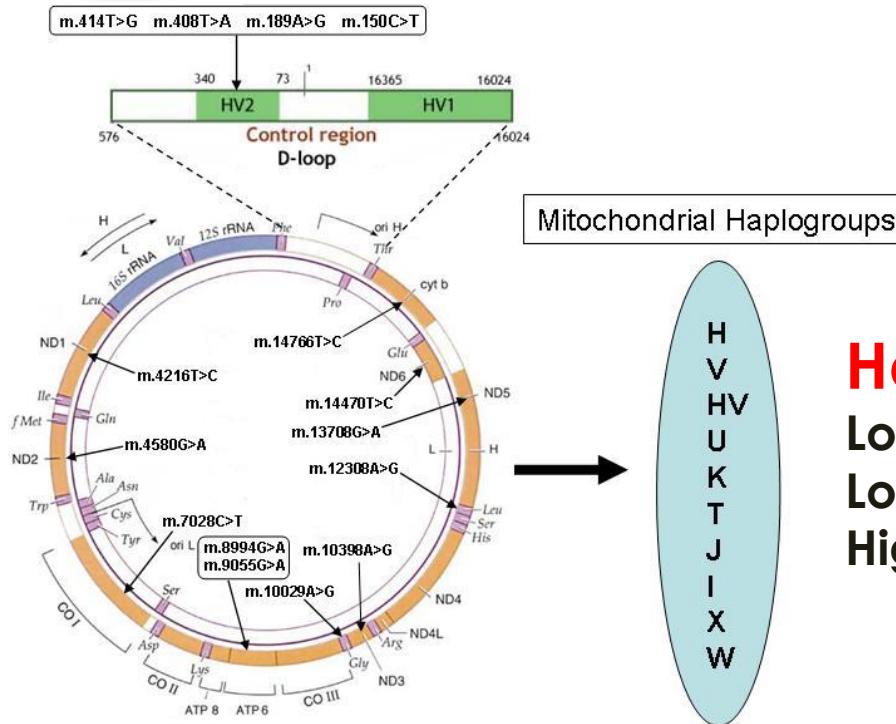
COLL 2-1 NO₂ / COLL 2-1 RATIO Serum levels



Diagnostic: Coll2-1NO2 discriminates Mitochondrial Haplogroups



Comparison of biomarkers serum levels in haplogroups H and J

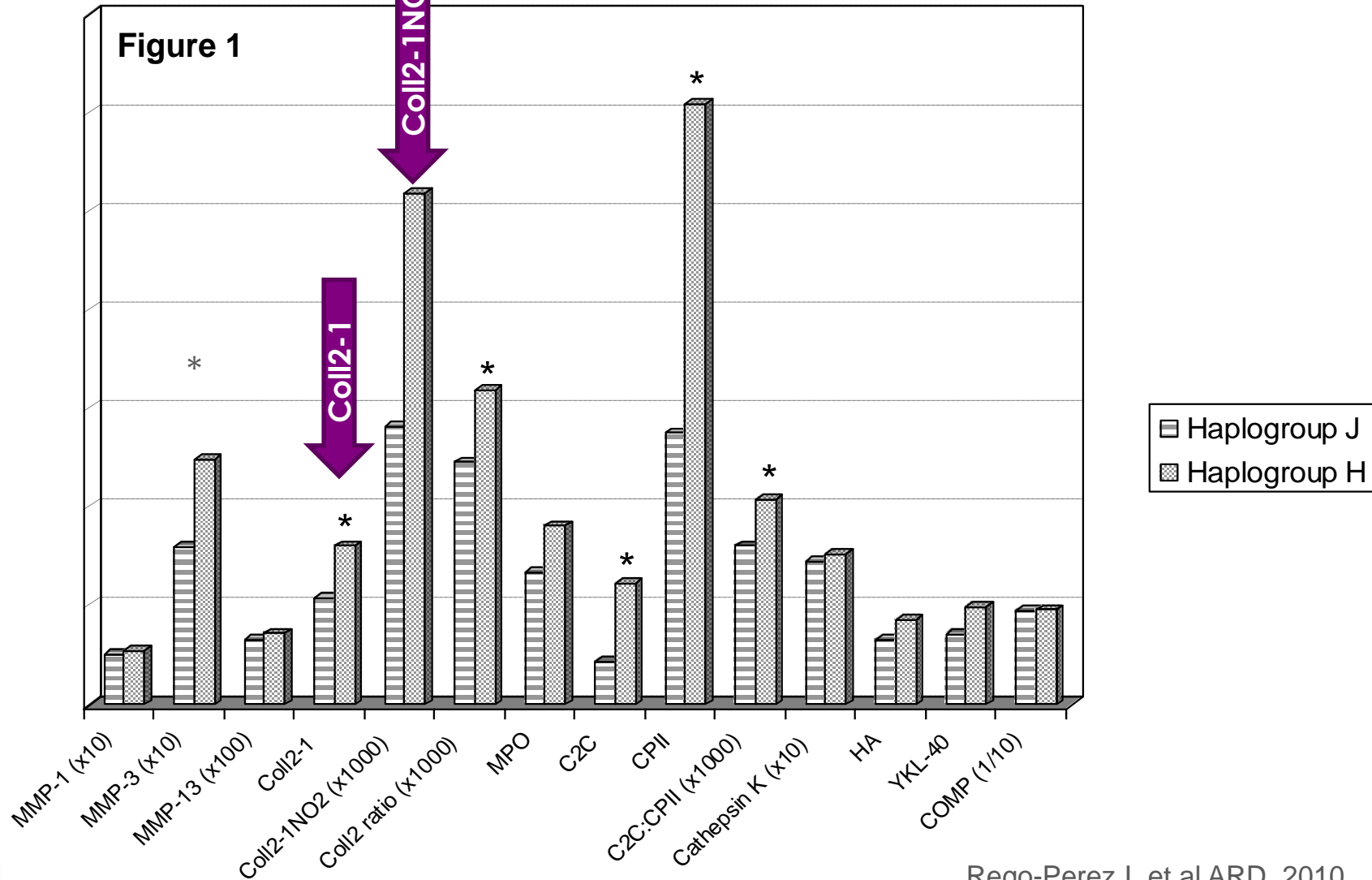


Haplogroups J

Lower probability to develop OA
 Lower X-ray OA severity
 Higher time to prosthesis

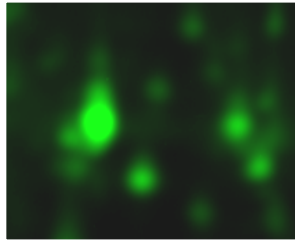


Diagnosis: OA patients with haplogroup J have lower levels of Coll2-1NO2

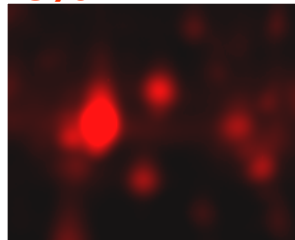


Proteomic analysis: classical workflow of protein identification

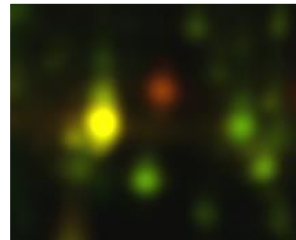
10 OA patients and 5 healthy subjects



Cy3



Cy5

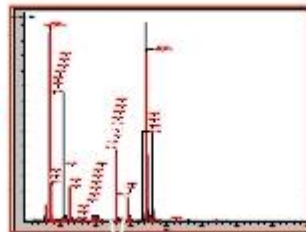


Cy3 + Cy5

Spot extraction and in-gel digestion

Mass Spectrometry

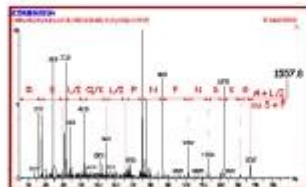
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Analyse MS

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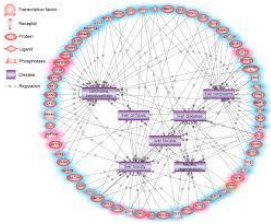
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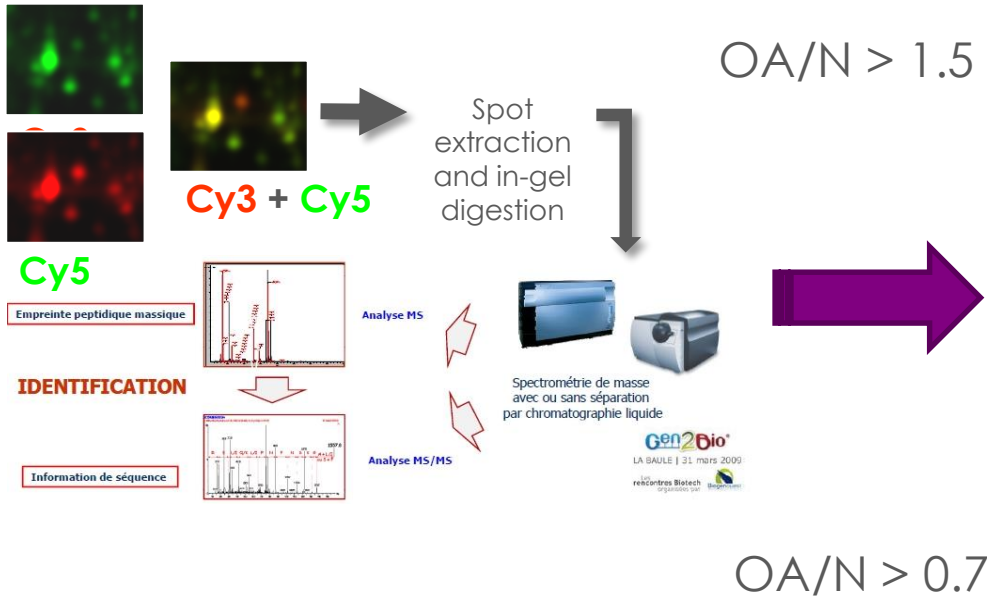


With/Without
Liquid chromatography
Separation



Urinary proteome

Henrotin et al. Arthritis Rheum 2012



Increased (9)
 B-actin
 α1-microglobulin
 Fibulin-3 fragments
 Apoptosis inducing factor-2

Decreased (9)
 Serpins β1 et β3
 Mannan binding lectin serum
 proteases-2
 Kinnogen 1

FBLN3_HUMAN **Mass:** 54604 **Score:** 130 **Queries matched:** 2

EGF-containing fibulin-like extracellular matrix protein 1 precursor (Fibulin-3) (FIBL-3)

Query	Observed	Mr(expt)	Mr(calco)	Delta	Miss	Score	Expect	Rank	Peptide
149	685.33	1368.64	1368.54	0.09	0	58	0.00027	1	R.CVCPVSNAMCR.E
444	965.32	1928.63	1928.73	-0.10	0	72	4.2e-06	1	R.TCQDINECETTNECR.E

Fibulin-3 fragments (Fib3-1 and Fib3-2): potential diagnostic biomarkers

Fib3-1: **TCQDINECETTNECR**

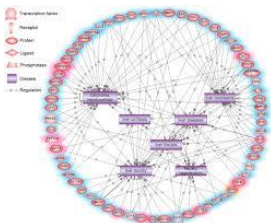
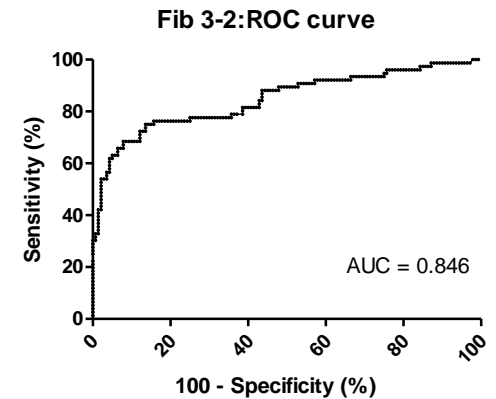
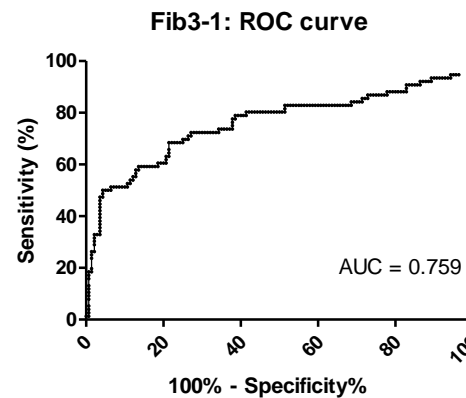
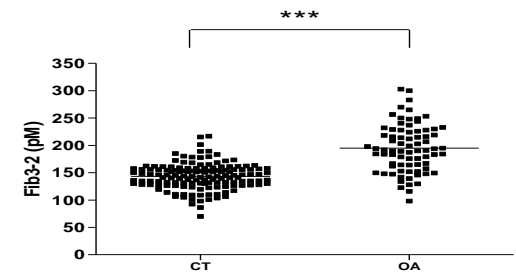
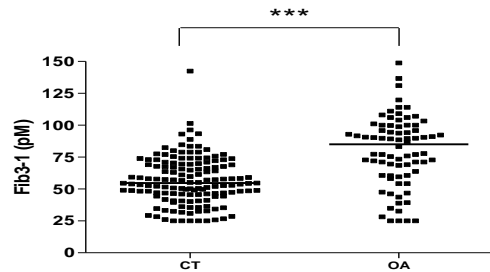
Fib3-2: **CVCPVSNAMCR**



Immunization of rabbits

Antiserum production

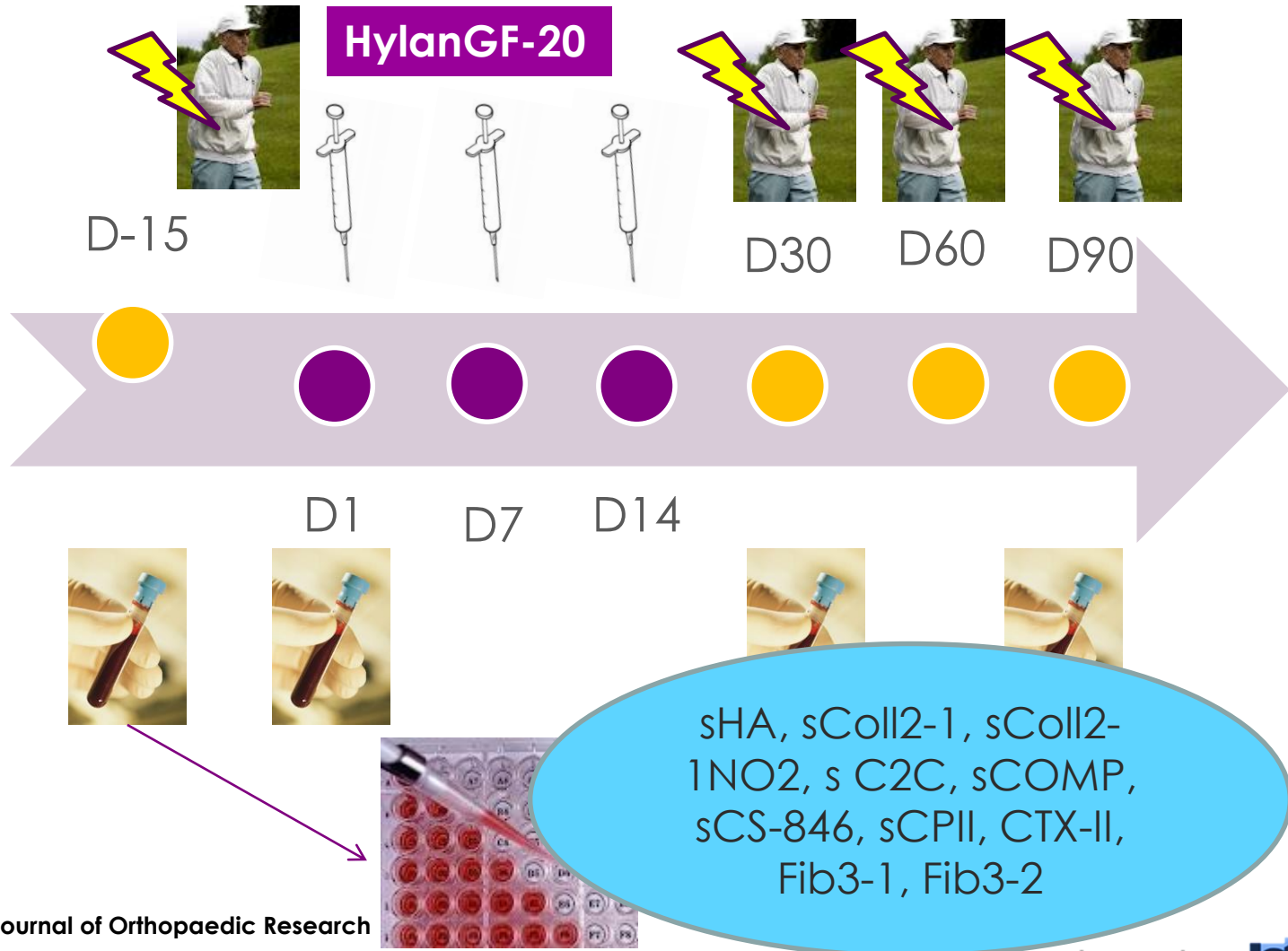
Specific immunoassays of Fib3-1 and Fib3-2 development and validation in human serum

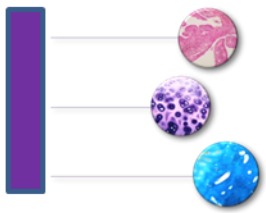


	Sensitivity	Specificity
Fib3-1 (cut-off: 71.1 pM)	78.5%	68.4%
Fib3-2 (cut-off: 163.7 pM)	75.0%	86.4%

BIOVISCO study: Study design

Open-label, observational prospective study





BIOVISCO study

An open label observational prospective study

Conrozier et al, J Orthp Res, 2012; Henrotin et al, J Orthp Res, 2013.

- ✓ 45 patients with unilateral symptomatic tibiofemoral and/or patellofemoral OA
- ✓ 3-weekly intraarticular injection of hyalan G20 (Synvisc®)
- ✓ Follow-up D1, D30 and D90 after the last injection

	D1 (after the last injection)	90 days (after the last injection)	p-Value D1 vs D90
sColl2-1 (nM)	140.34(882.44-285.32)	128.41 (85.6-241.34)	0.05*
sColl2-1NO2 (nM)	0.400 (0.050-1.010)	0.370 (0.14-0.870)	0.025*
uCTX-II (ng/nmolcreat)	392.7 (90.0-816.4)	306.0 (90-1123.9)	0.02*
sPIICP (ng/ml)	817.9 (131.4-1848.6)	874.8.3 (326.4-1435.0)	0.41
sC2C (ng/ml)	223.6 (99.4-329)	209.5 (135.9-291.7)	0.11
sCOMP (U/L)	10.9 (6.0-20.2)	10.5 (6.0-20.0)	0.82
sCS846 (ng/ml)	99.8 (45.9-172.3)	102.2 (53.0-190)	0.38
sHA (ng/ml)	34.1 (15.4-211)	33.3 (9.5-230.1)	0.38

Future





Critical needs!

- Drugs that can impact the disease progression
- Large cohorts representative of the general population and designed for the qualification of the biomarkers
- A sensitive imaging gold standard detecting early structural changing in joint tissues
- The inclusion of biomarkers as secondary end-point in clinical trials



Short term perspectives

- New technologies adapted to a personalized management
- Combination of biomarkers in multiplex tests
- Agregate score including clinical, imaging and biological parameters
- Companion biomarkers for drugs (Theranostic)





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