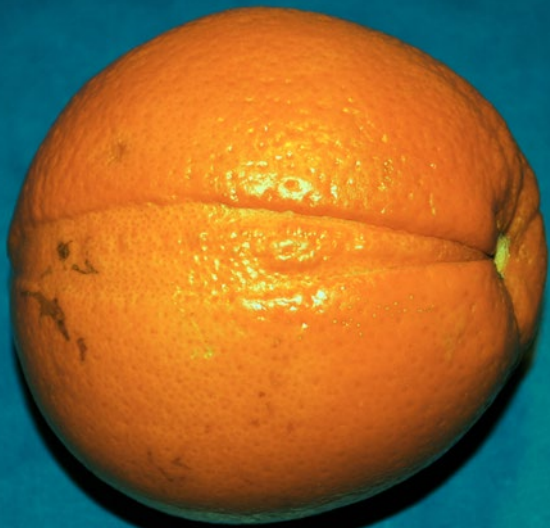


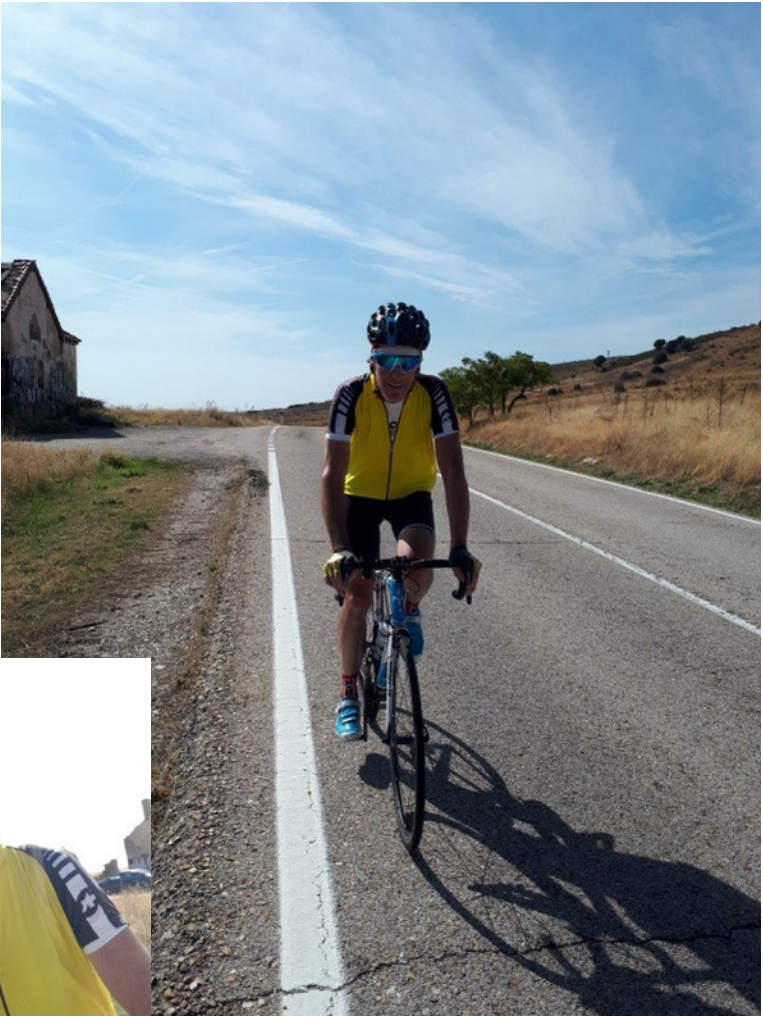
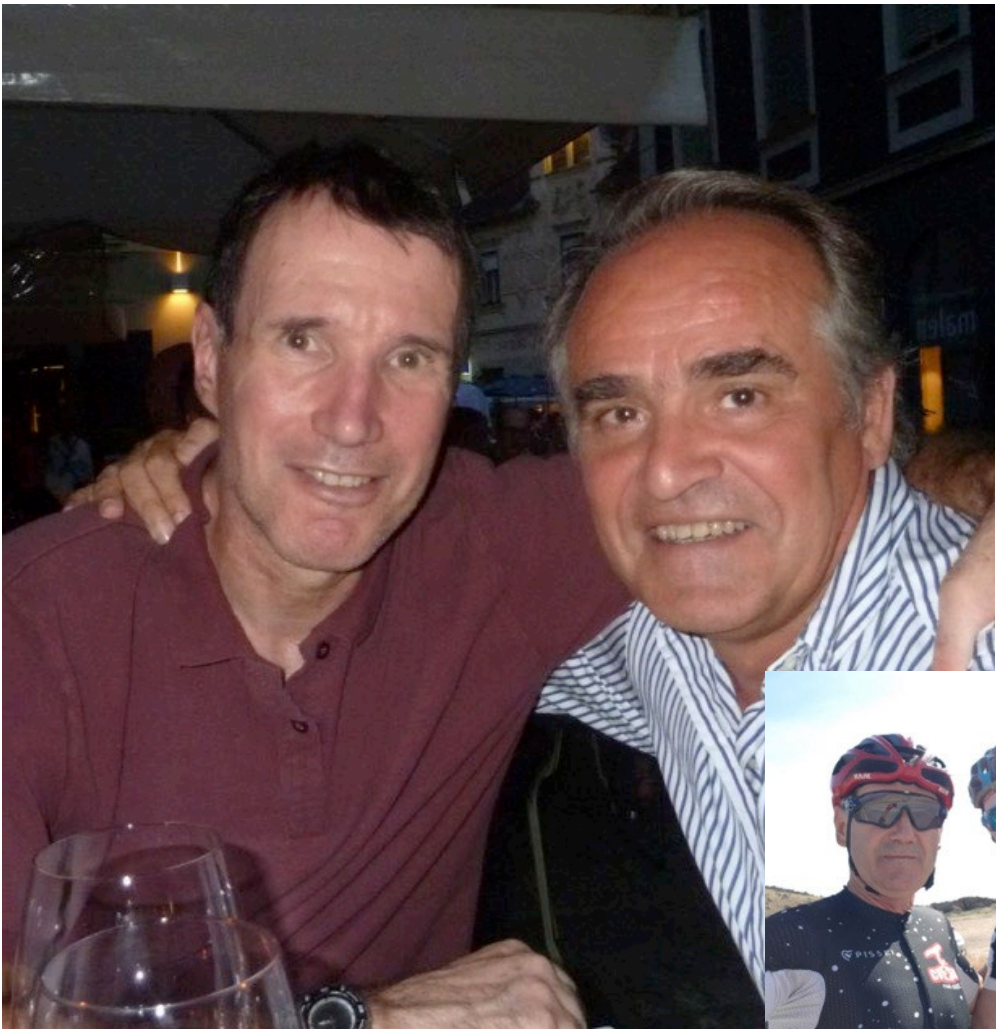


Diagnostic insights into mosaic skin diseases

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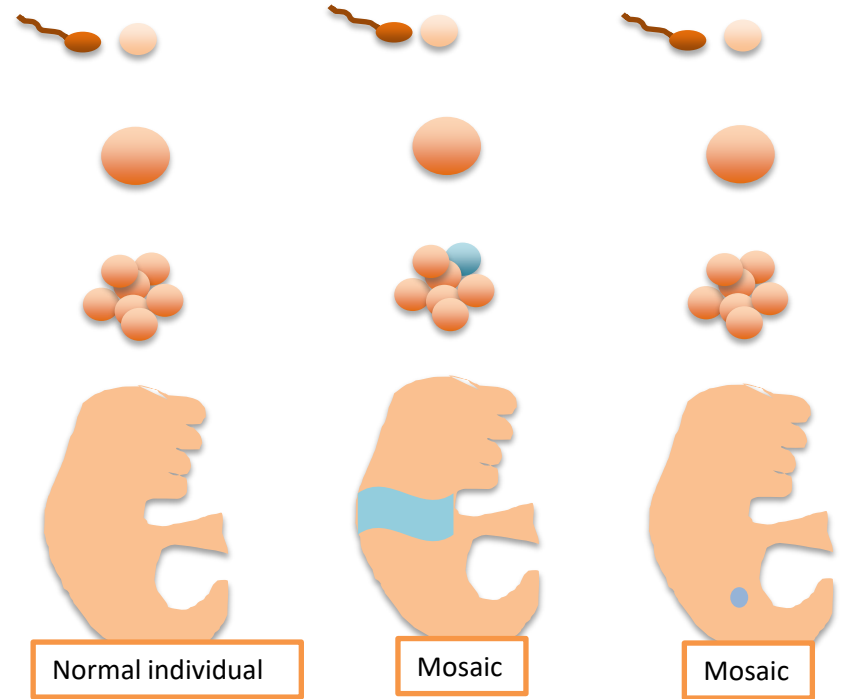
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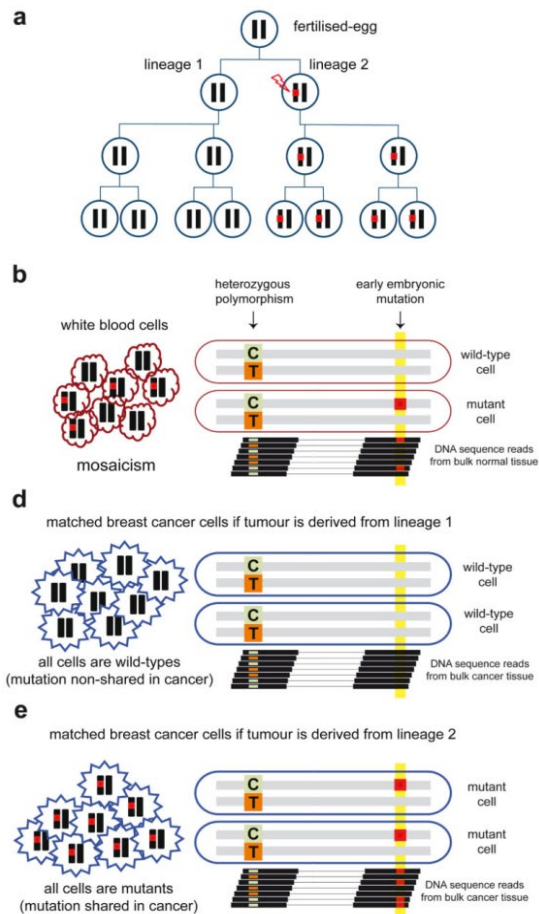
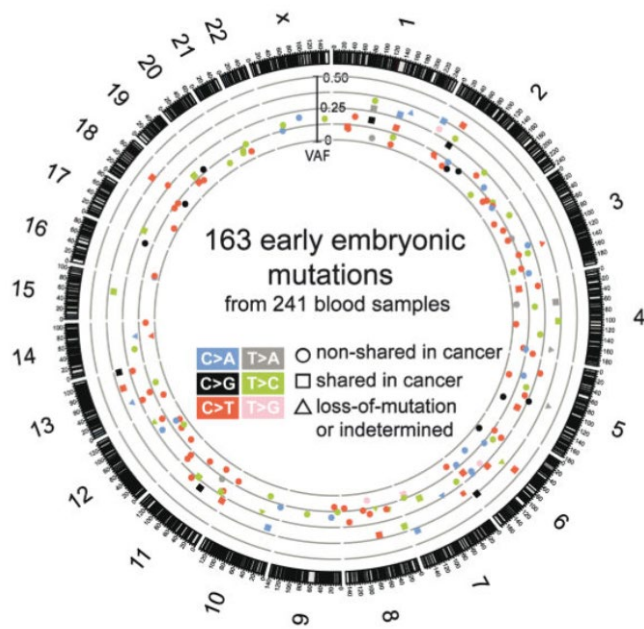


An individual with a heterogeneous genetic dotation originated from a genetically homogeneous zygote

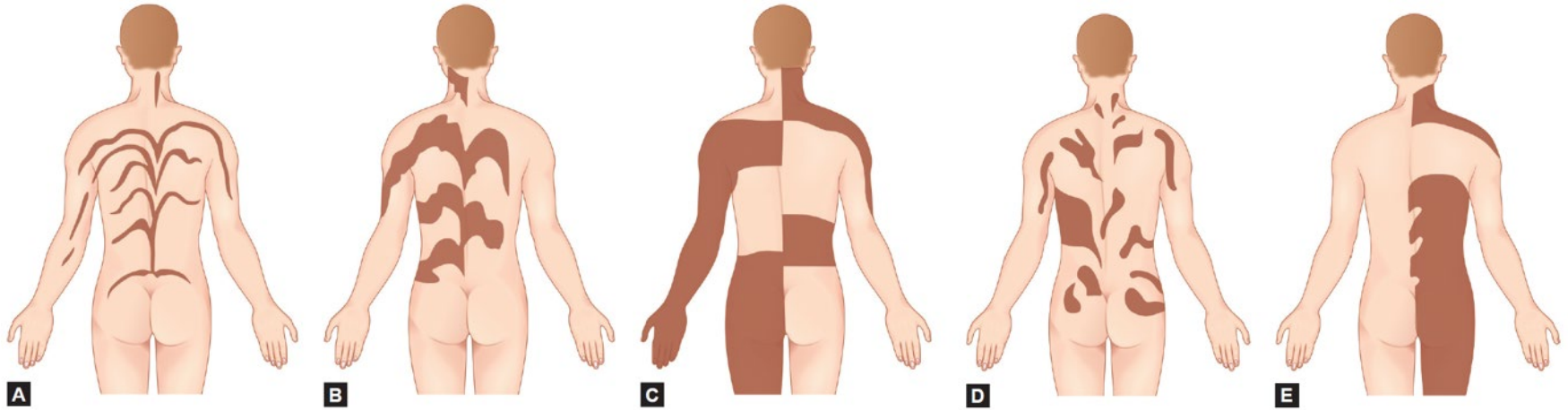


Somatic mutations reveal asymmetric cellular dynamics in the early human embryo

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Segmental mosaicism



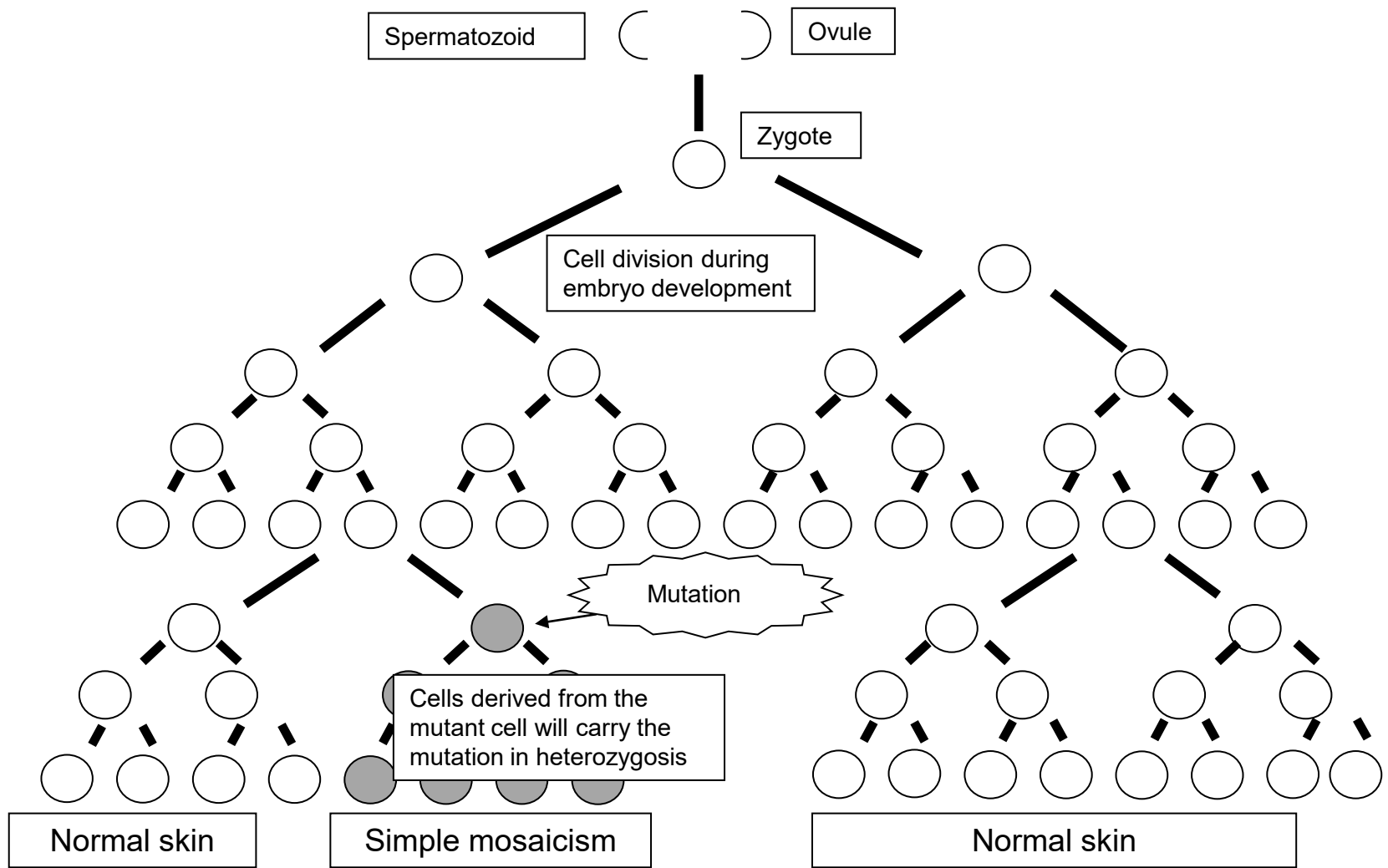
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C Blocks

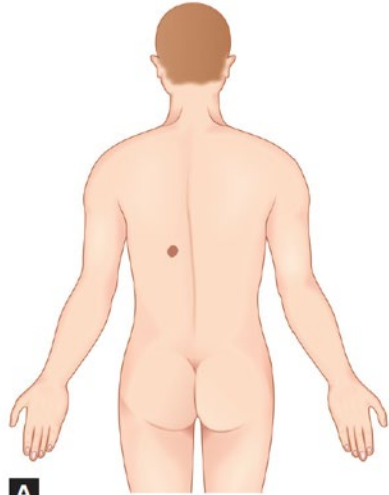
D Phylloid

E Lateralization

Mutation in embryo



Non-segmental mosaicism



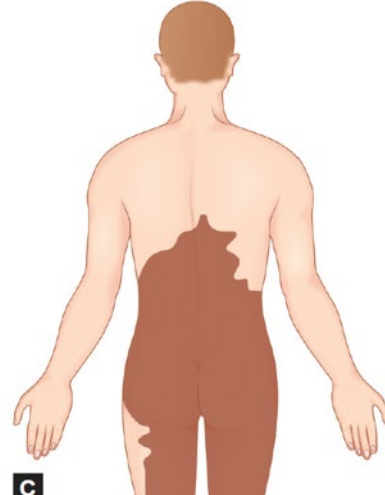
A

Postnatal
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2nd hits



C

Migration
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Spermatozoid Ovule

Zygote

Cell division during
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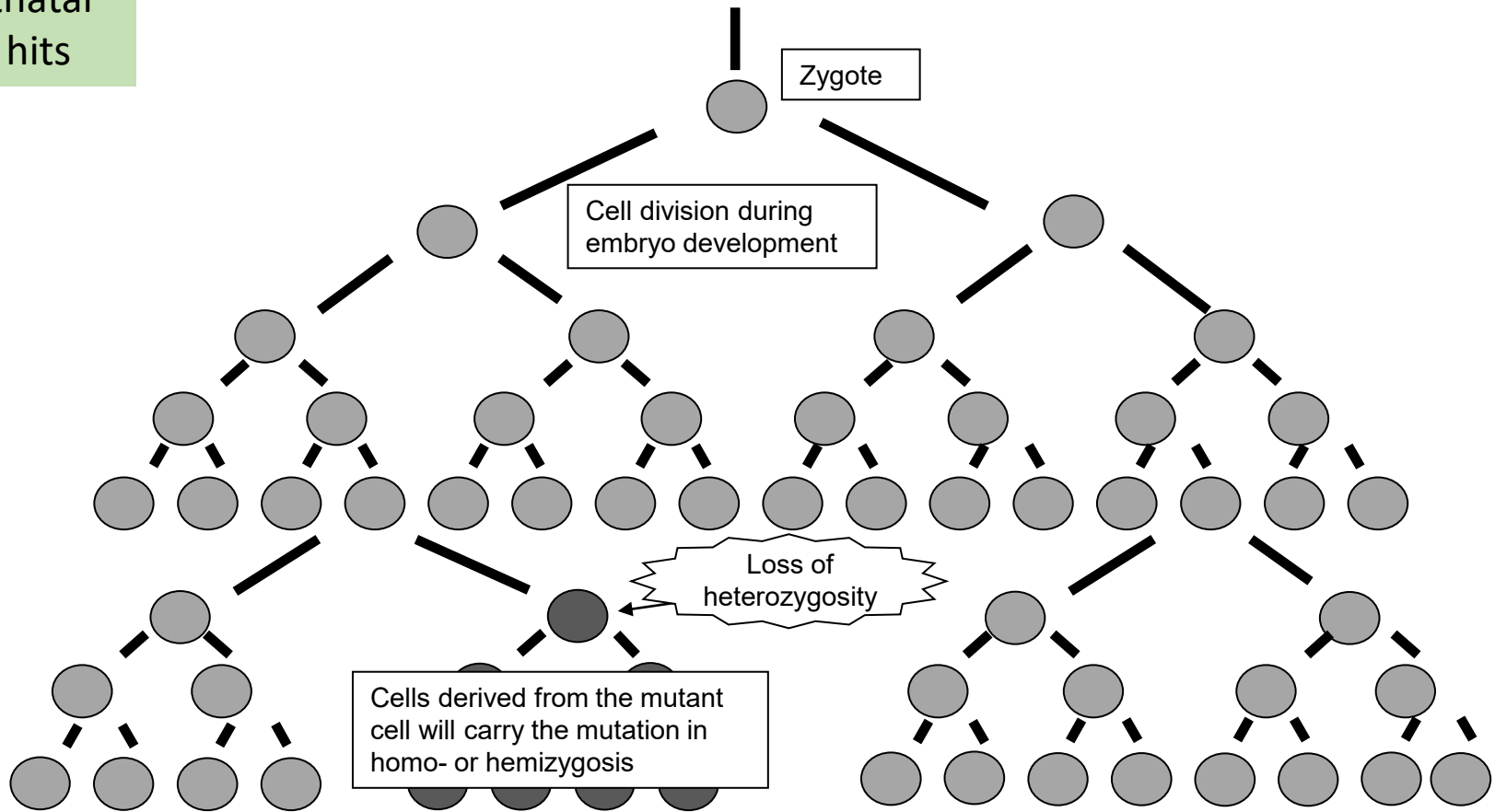
Loss of
heterozygosity

Cells derived from the mutant
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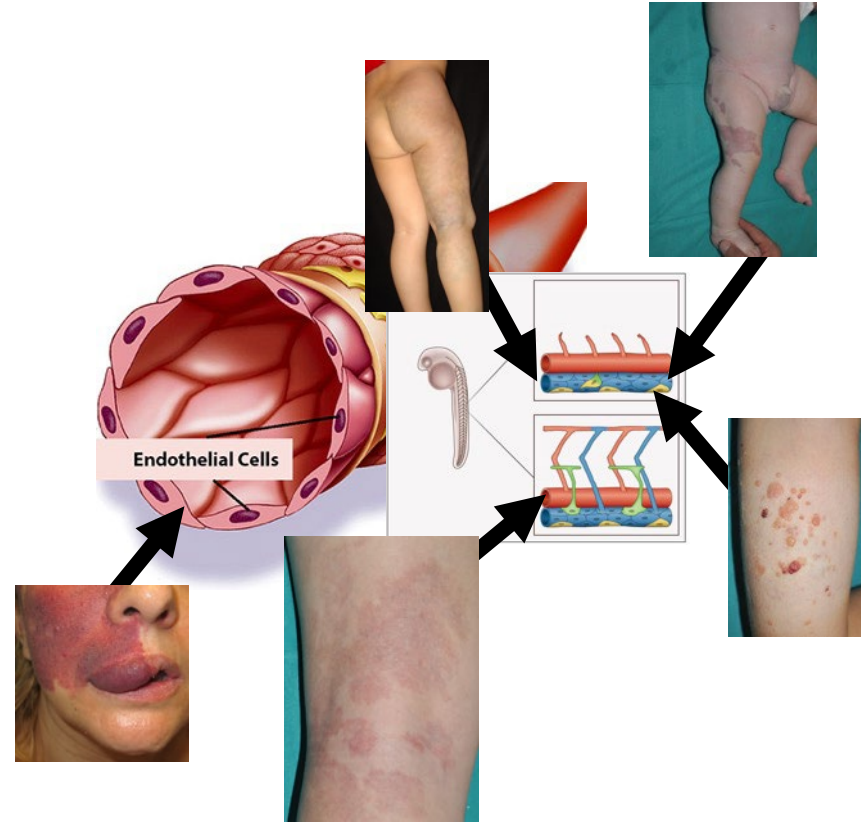
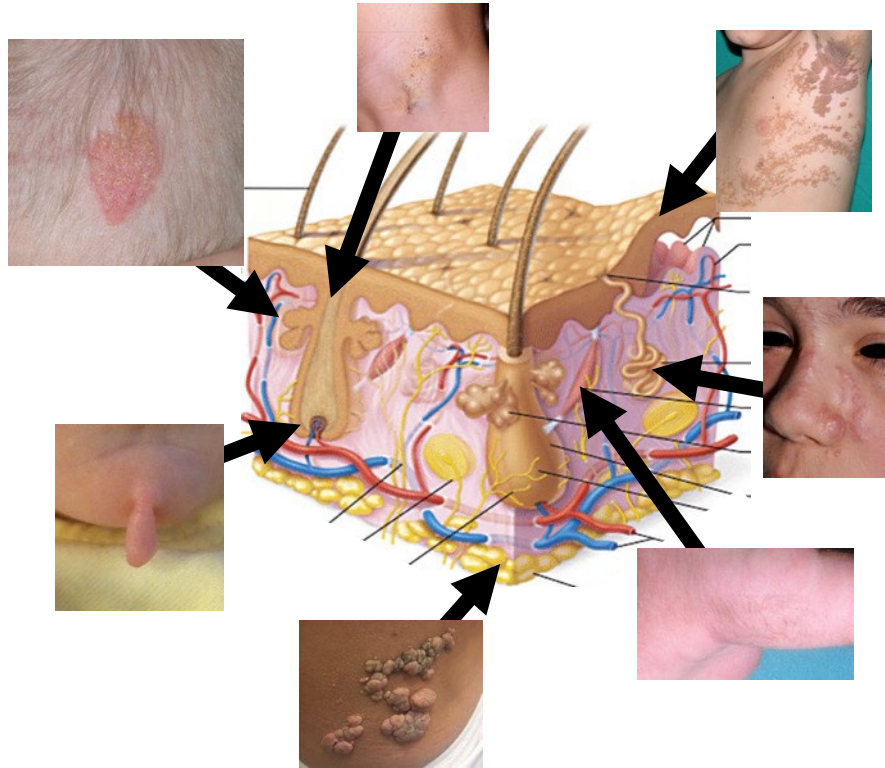
Affected normal-looking skin

Lesion (2nd-hit)

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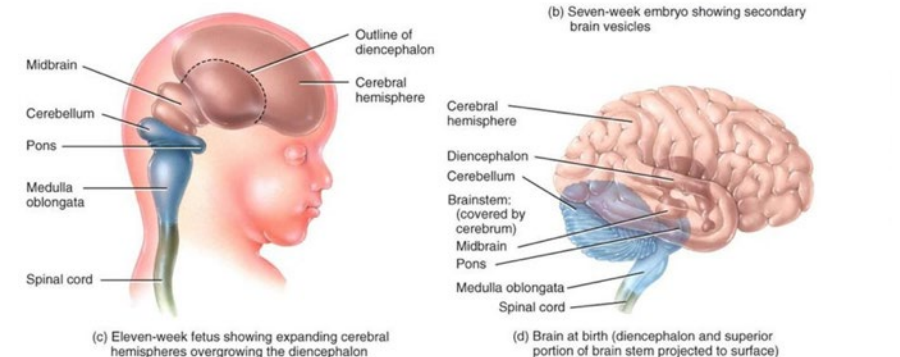
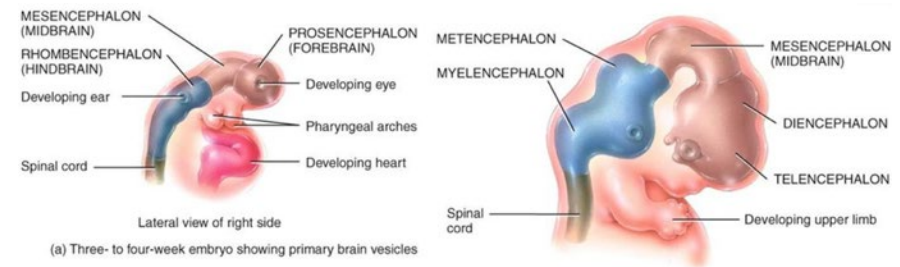
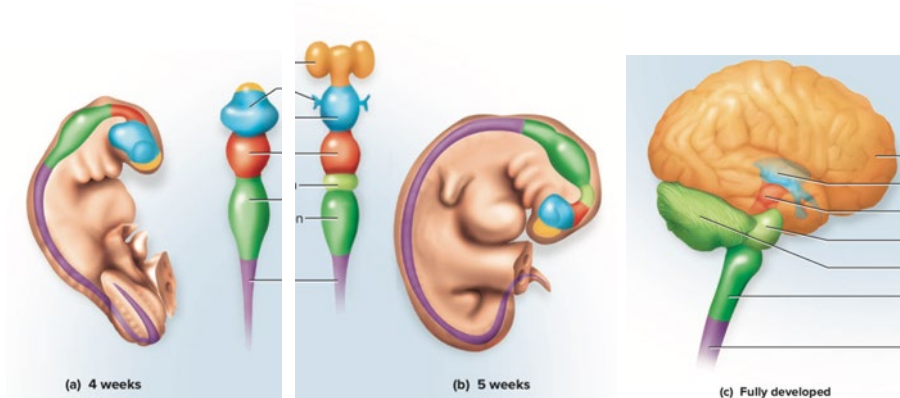
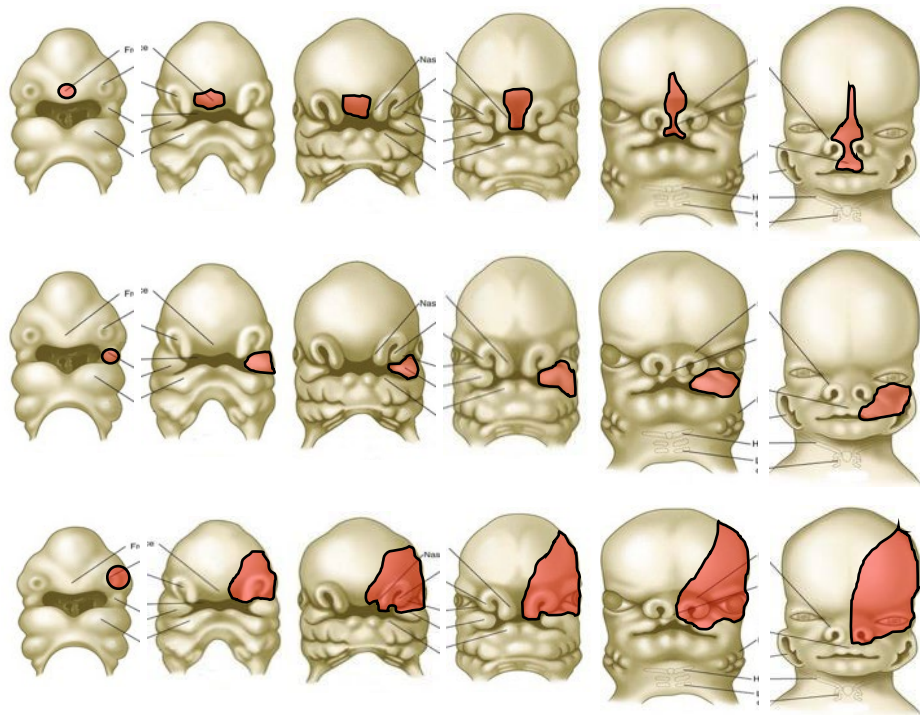
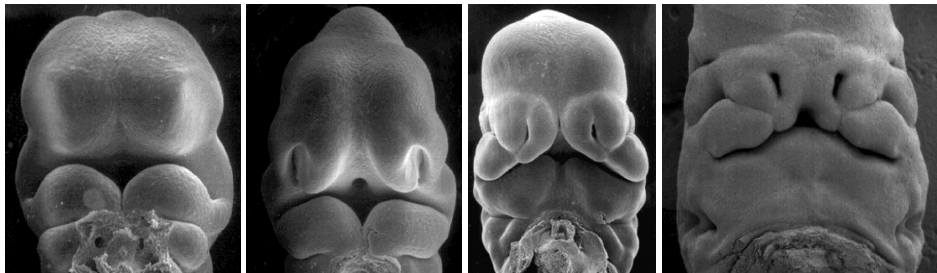


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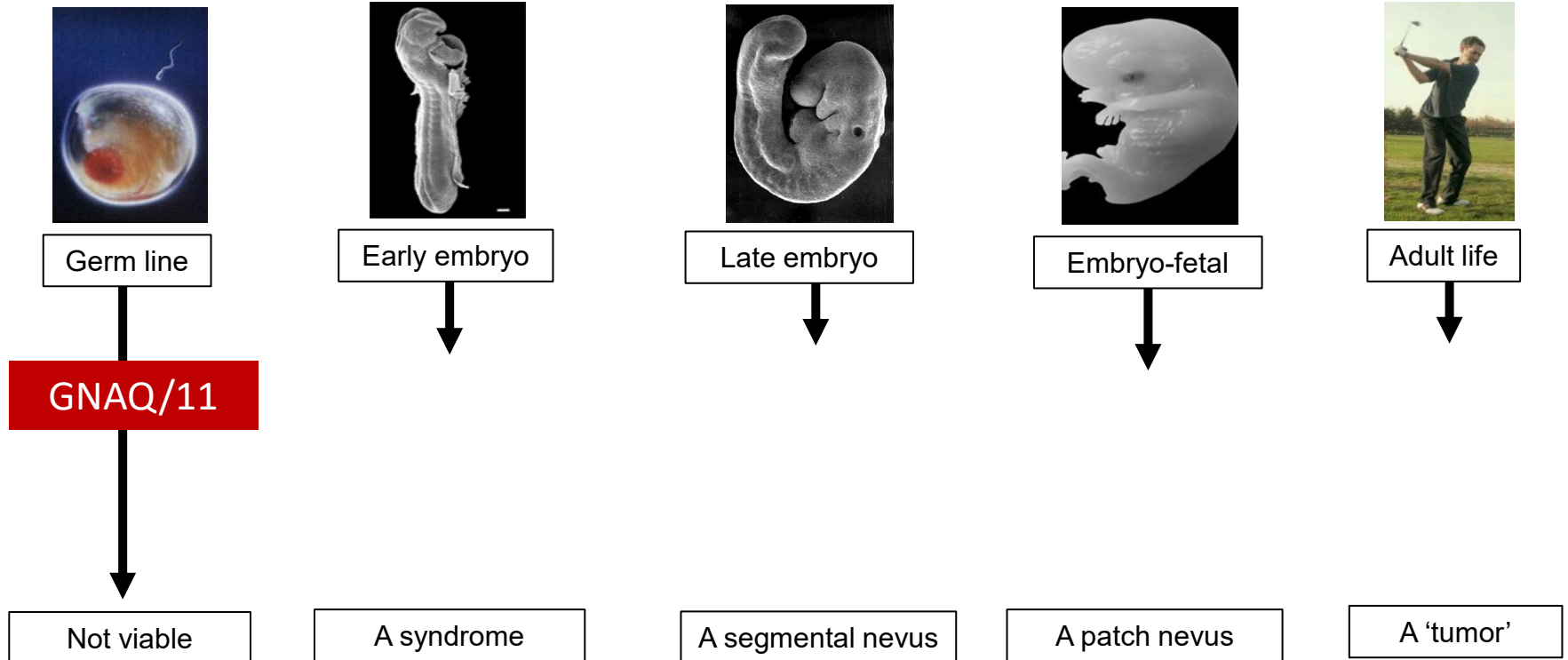


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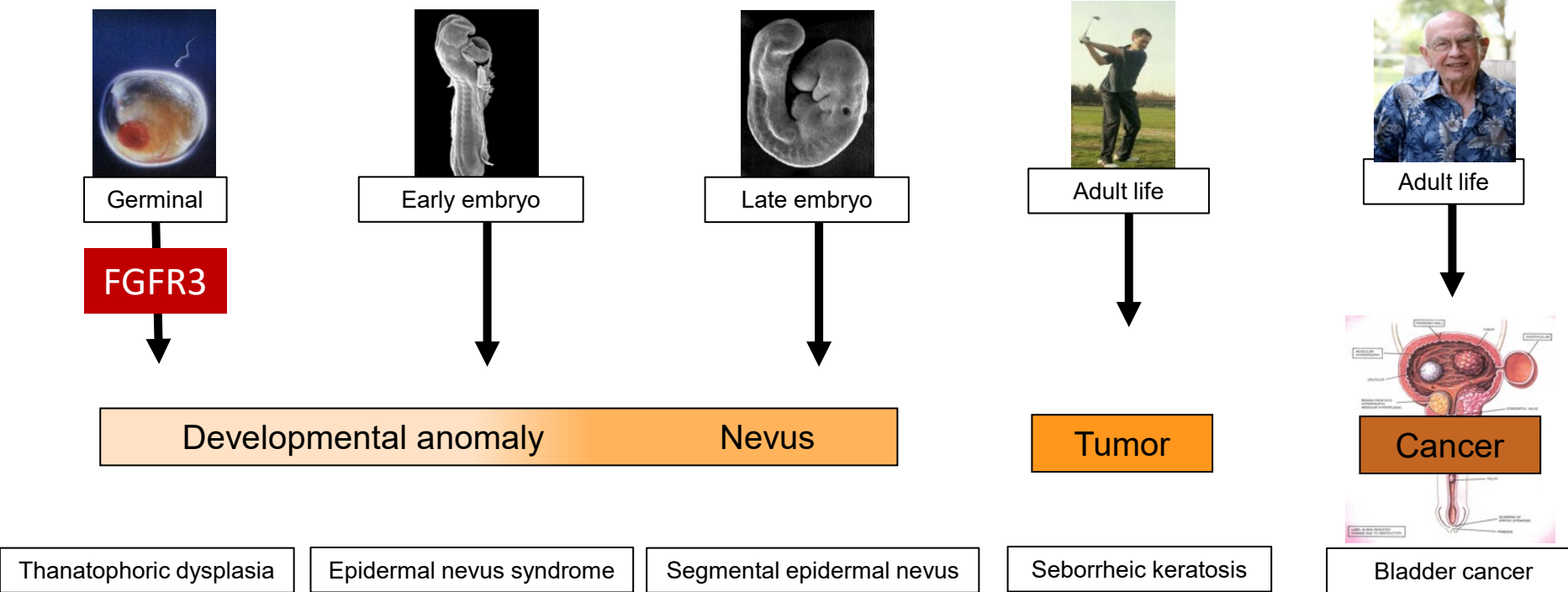
- A differentiated cell (a pure nevus)
- A stem cell (non-differentiated)
 - A multisystemic disease (a syndrome)
 - A multicomponent nevus (e.g., organoid nevus, combined vascular anomaly)
 - A pseudodidymosis



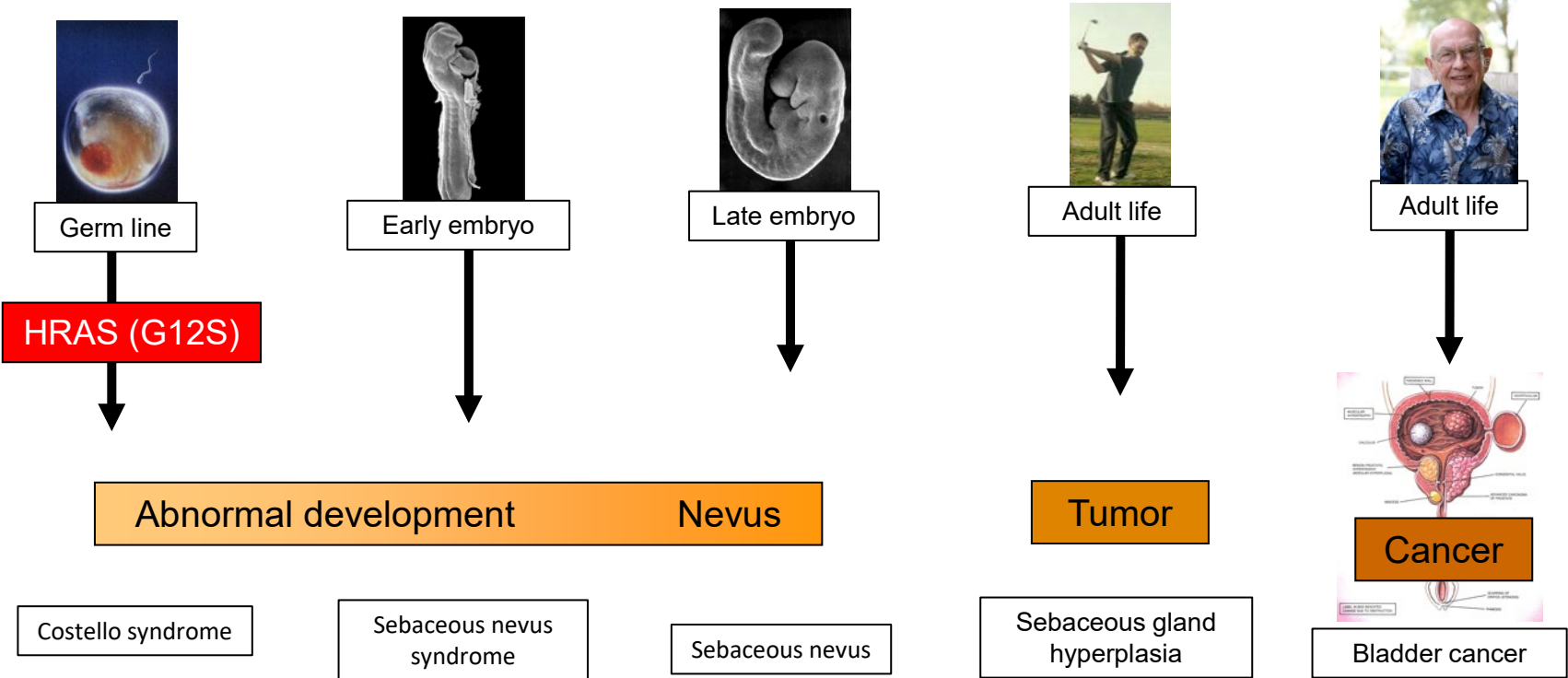
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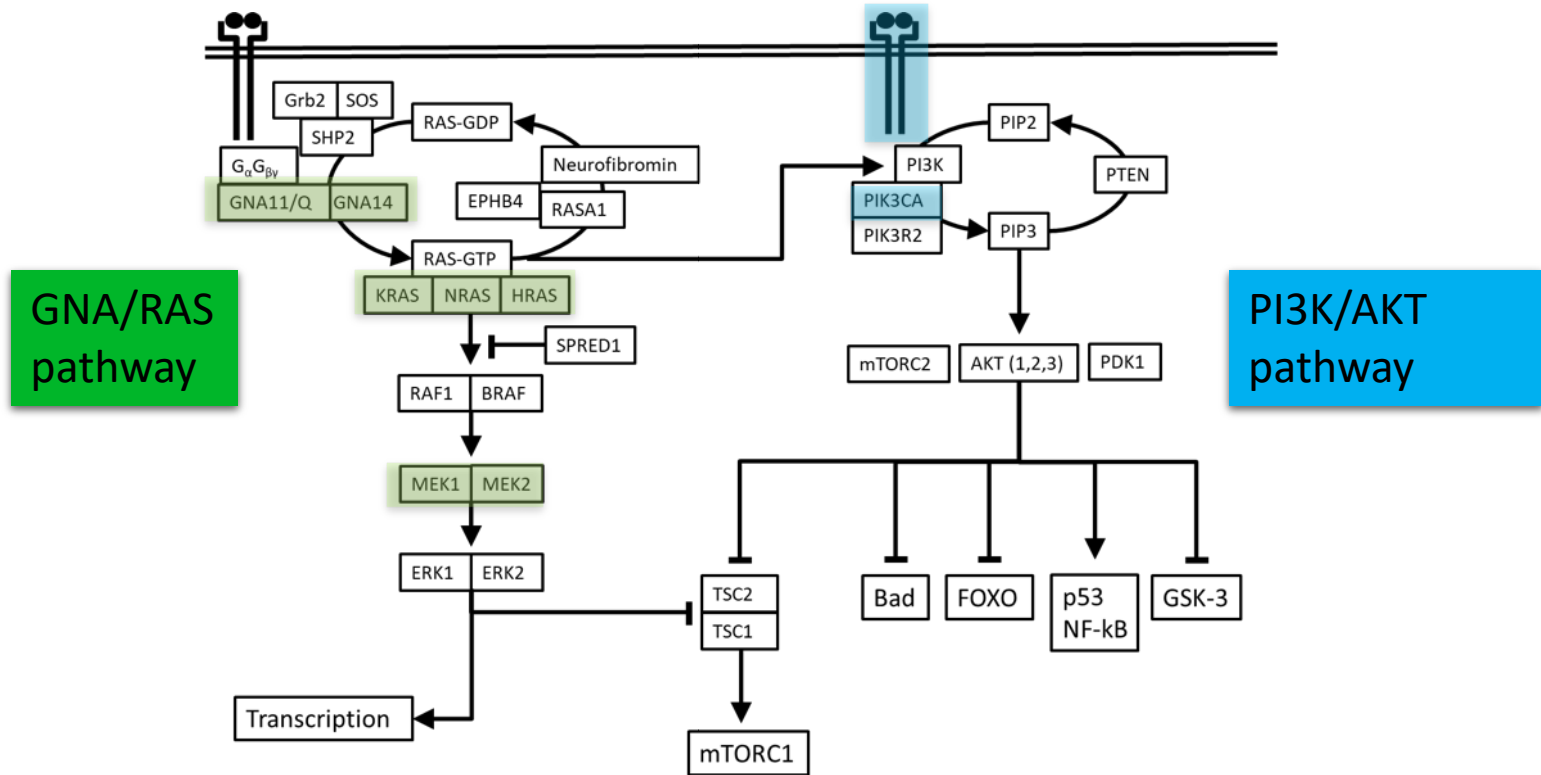
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How do Mosaic mutations act?



How much Mosaic tissue?

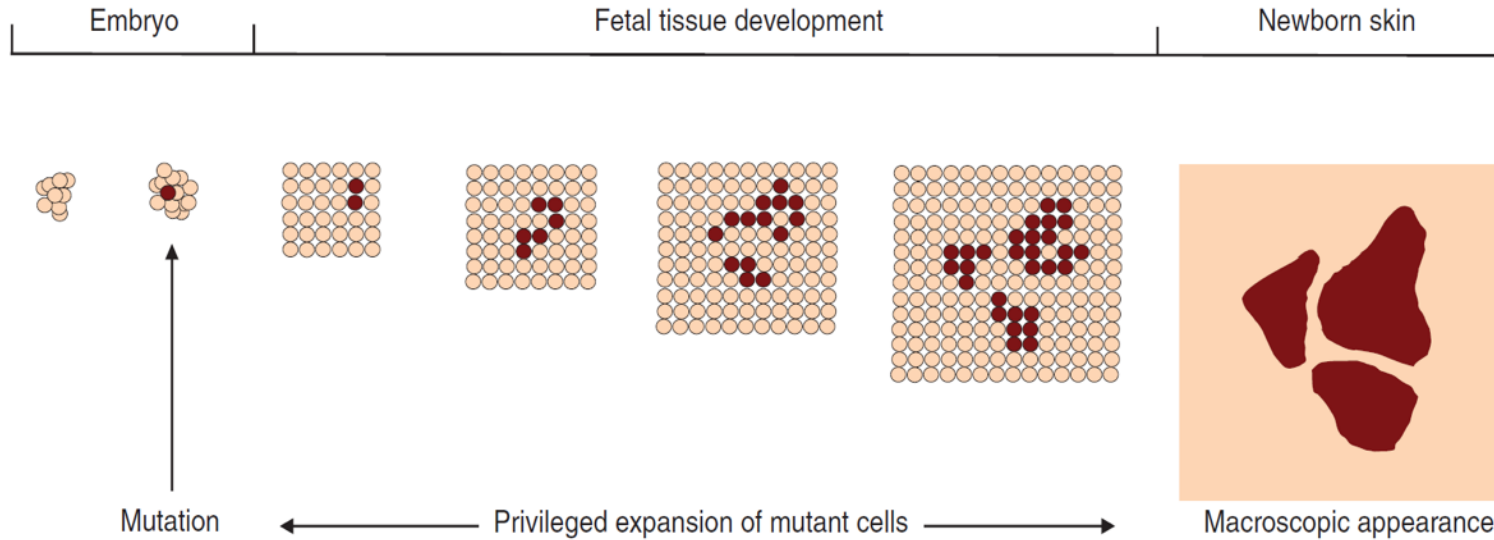


Fig. 3.1 After mutation occurs during embryonic development, normal and mutated cells develop together in an admixture. Mutant cells often show an advantage in

growth and may outnumber normal cells in the eventually resulting nevus tissue

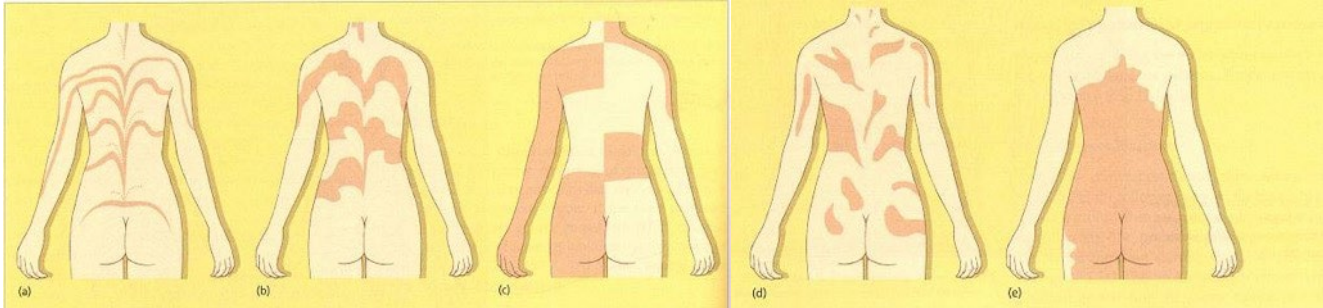
Allelic frequency usually low (< 15 %)

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My approach to mosaic disorders

1. Identify a mosaic disorder: PATTERNS



2. Diagnose disorder: SKIN LESIONS & HISTOPATHOLOGY

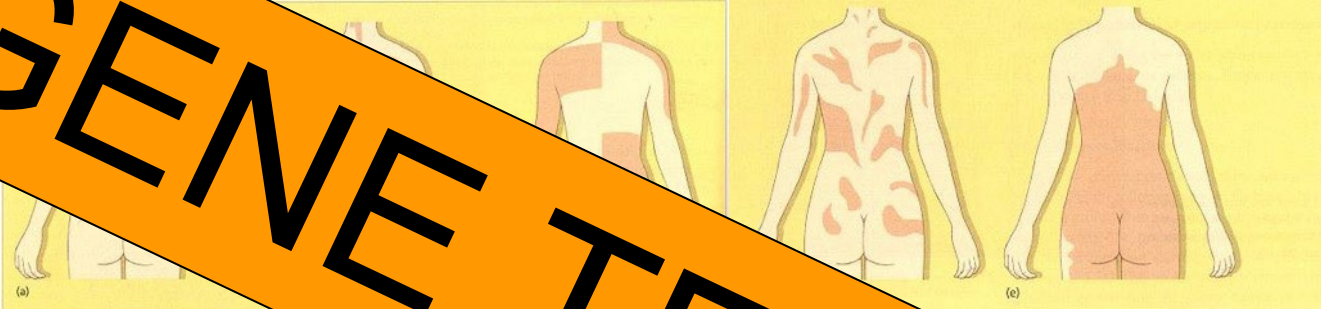
3. Associated conditions: IMAGING & LAB

4. Molecular confirmation: GENE TESTING

5. Therapy: IF EXISTING

Future approach to mosaic disorders

1. Identify a mosaic disorder: PATTERNS



2. Diagnose disorder. PATHOLOGY

3. Associated conditions.

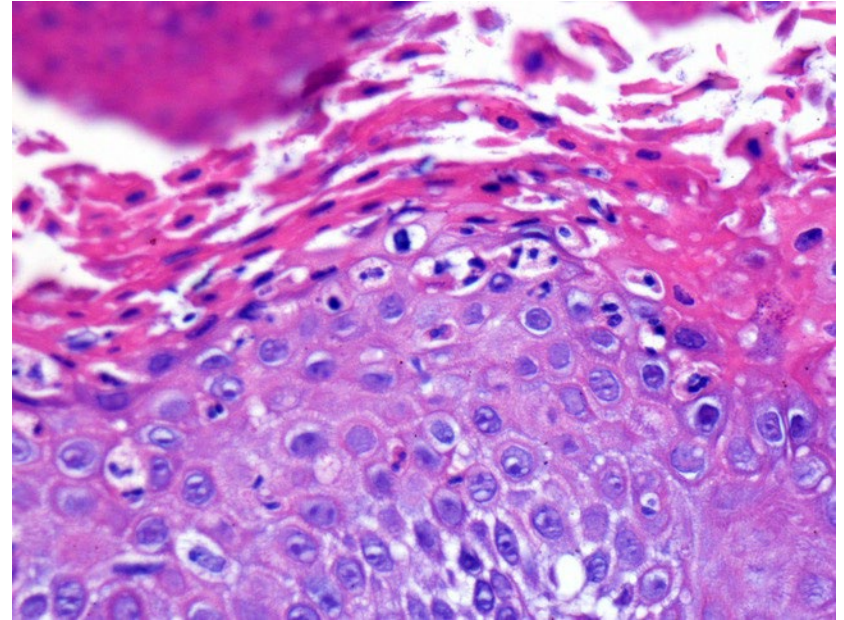
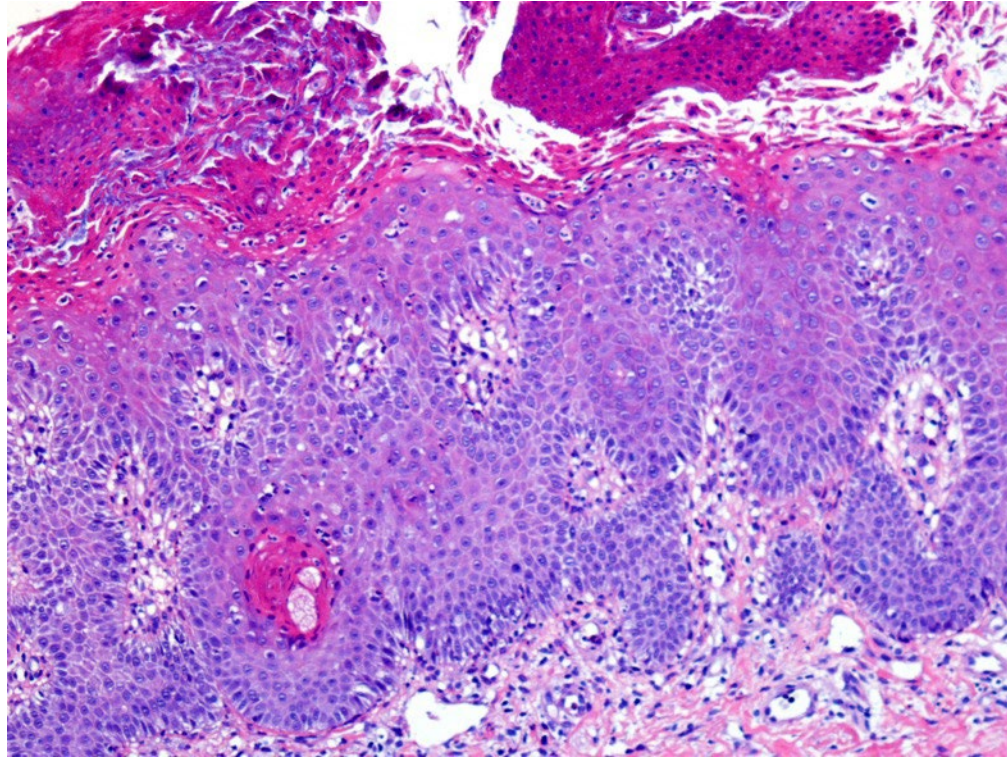
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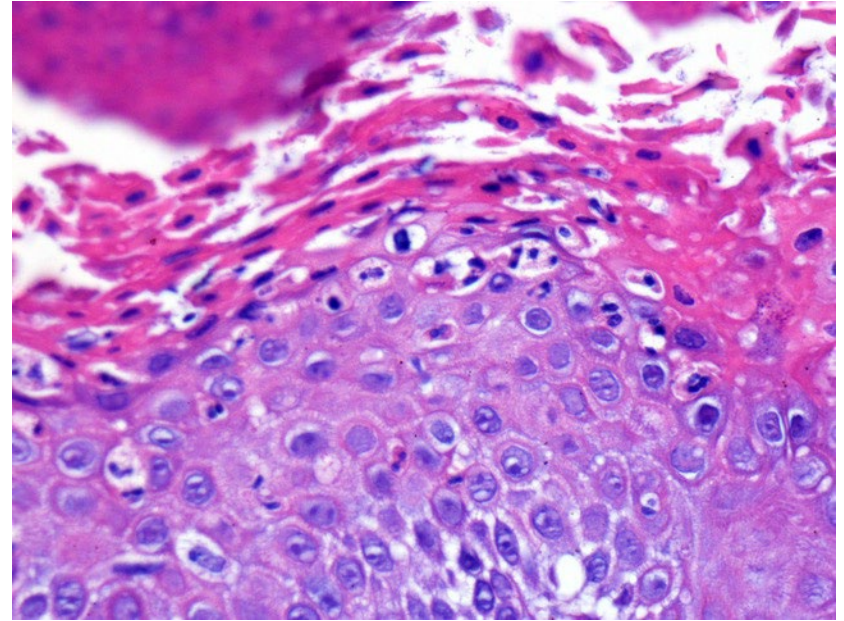
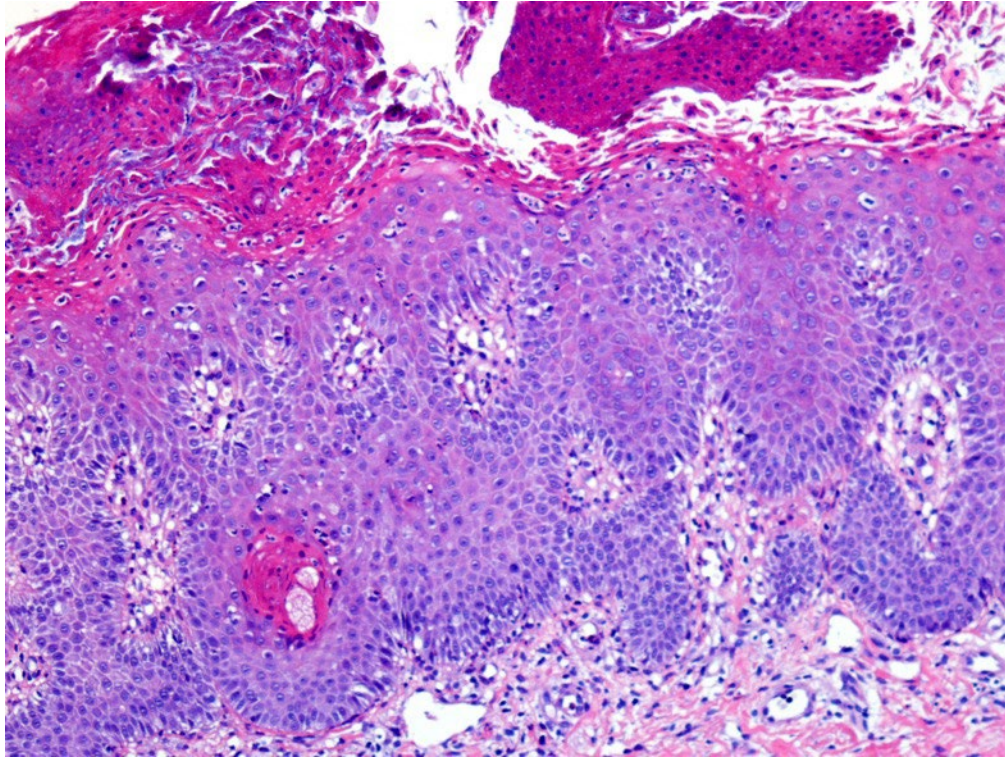
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Parakeratosis of Cerroni

3. Associated conditions: IMAGING & LAB



Congenital

Hemidysplasia

Ichthyosiform erythroderma

Limb

Defects



Mutations in the NSDHL gene, encoding a 3 β -hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase, cause CHILD syndrome

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American Journal of Medical Genetics

Volume 90, Issue 4, pages 339–346, 14 February 2000

CHILD syndrome caused by deficiency of 3 β -hydroxysteroid- Δ^8 , Δ^7 -isomerase

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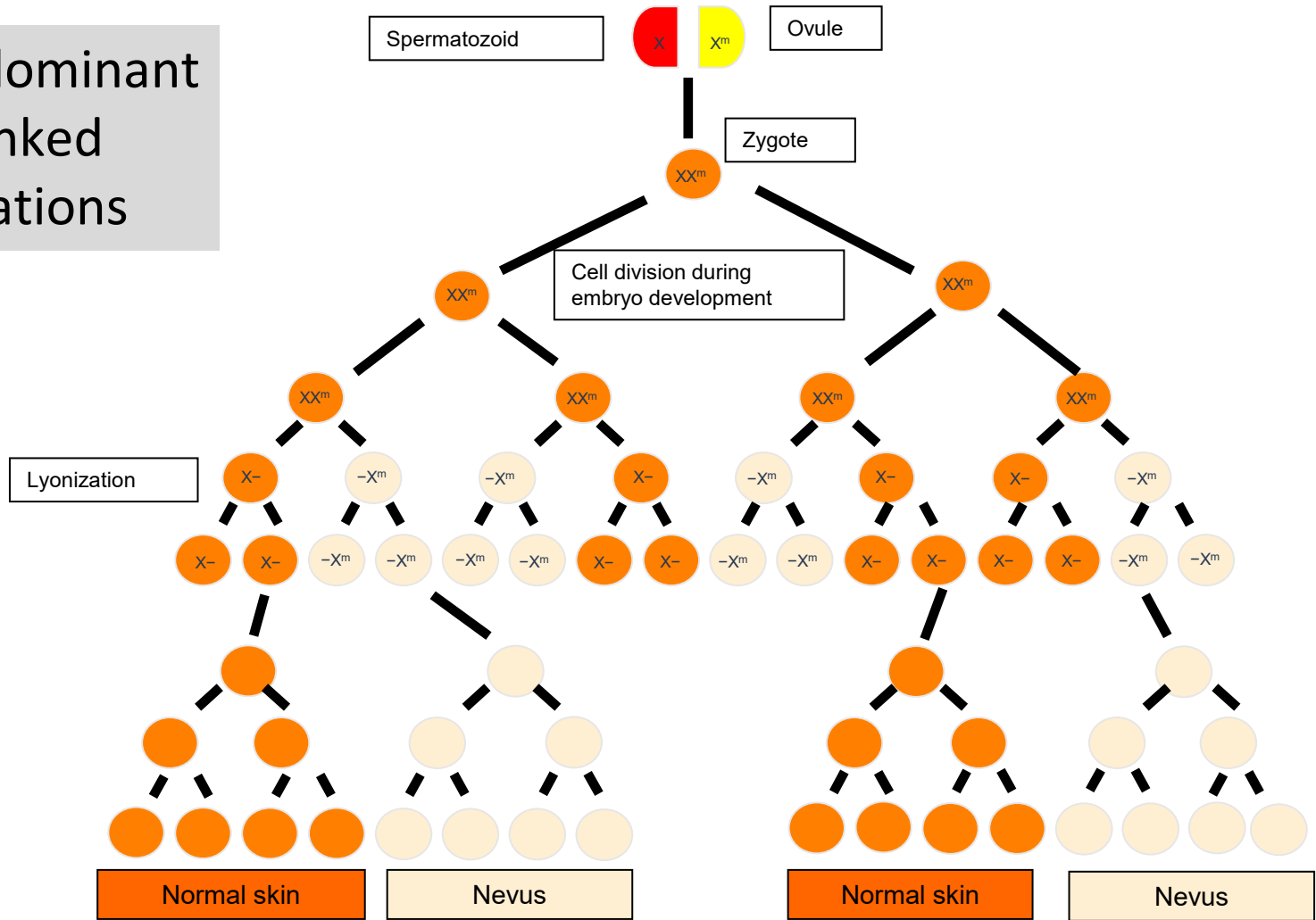
4. Molecular confirmation: GENE TESTING

Gene	Result	Summary
<i>NSHD L</i>	c.[262C>T] p.[Arg88Ter]	Detection of the heterozygous change c.262C>T in the <i>NSDHL</i> gene in DNA. The result was confirmed in a second, independent PCR reaction

The mutation c.262C>T (p.Arg88Ter; R88X) in exon 3 of the NSHDL gene has been already reported in a patient with CHILD syndrome (König et al, 2000). Therefore, the mutation was classified as pathogenic.

5. Therapy IF EXISTING

Lethal dominant X-linked mutations



Epigenetic mosaicism of X-linked genes

Dominant

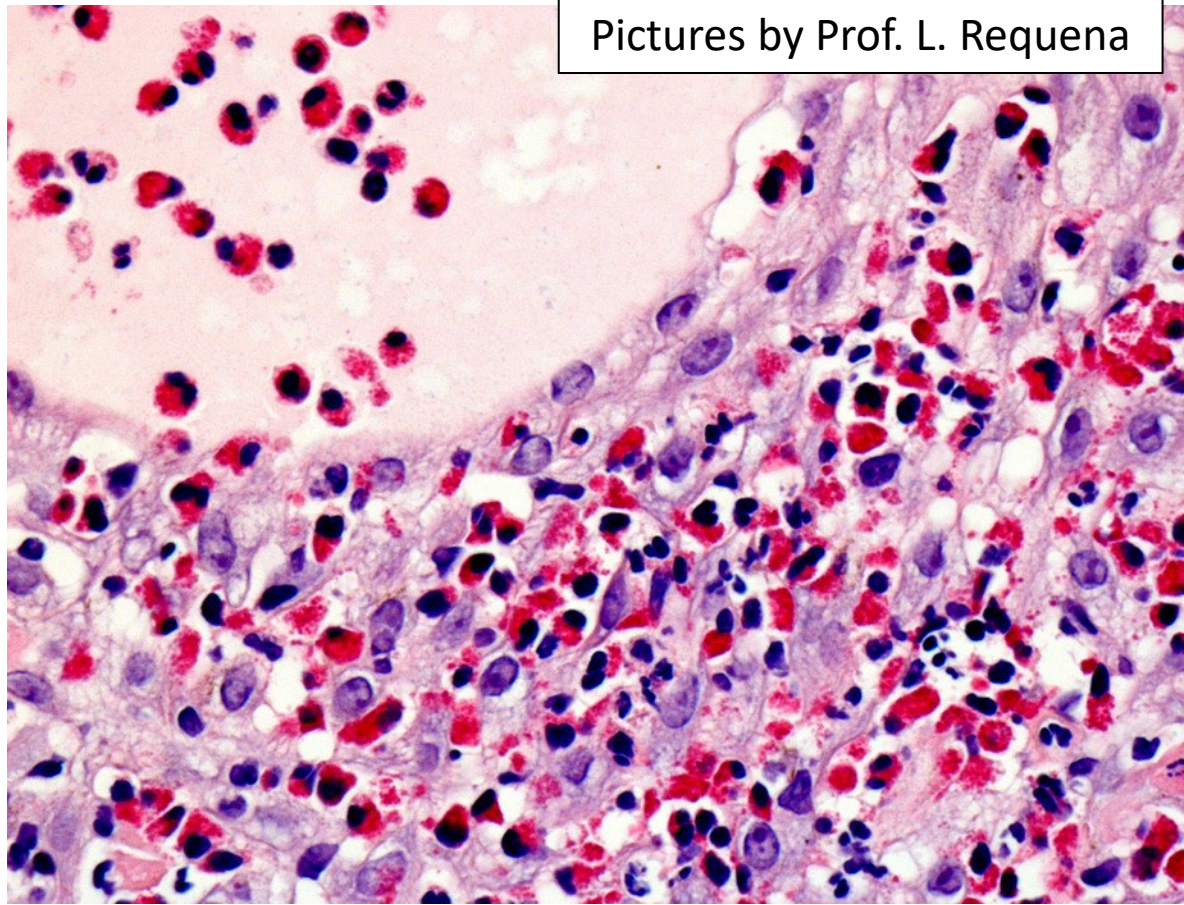
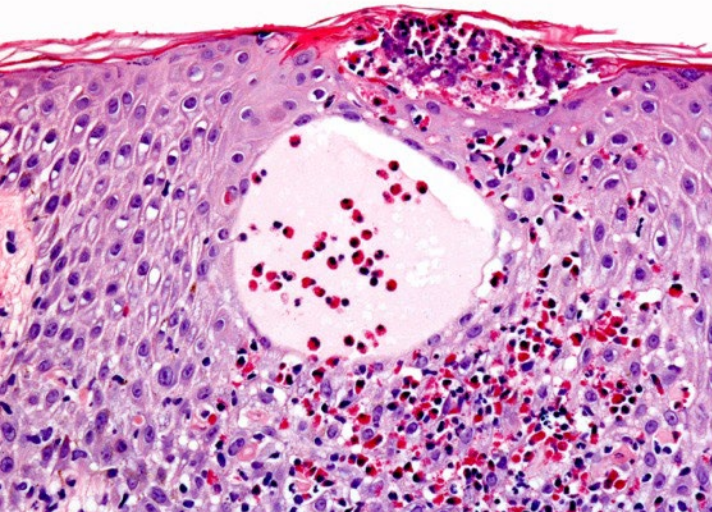
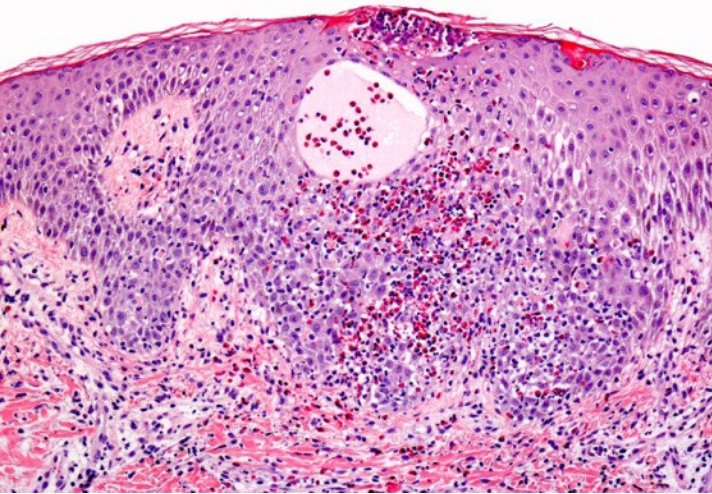
Females affected (lethal* in males)

- Incontinentia pigmenti (NEMO)
- Focal dermal hypoplasia (PORCN)
- Conradi-Hünermann-Happle syndrome (EBP)
- CHILD nevus (NSDHL)
- MIDAS / MLS syndrome (COX7B)
- Oro-facial-digital type 1 (CXORF5)
- Aicardi syndrome (? Xp22)

Recessive

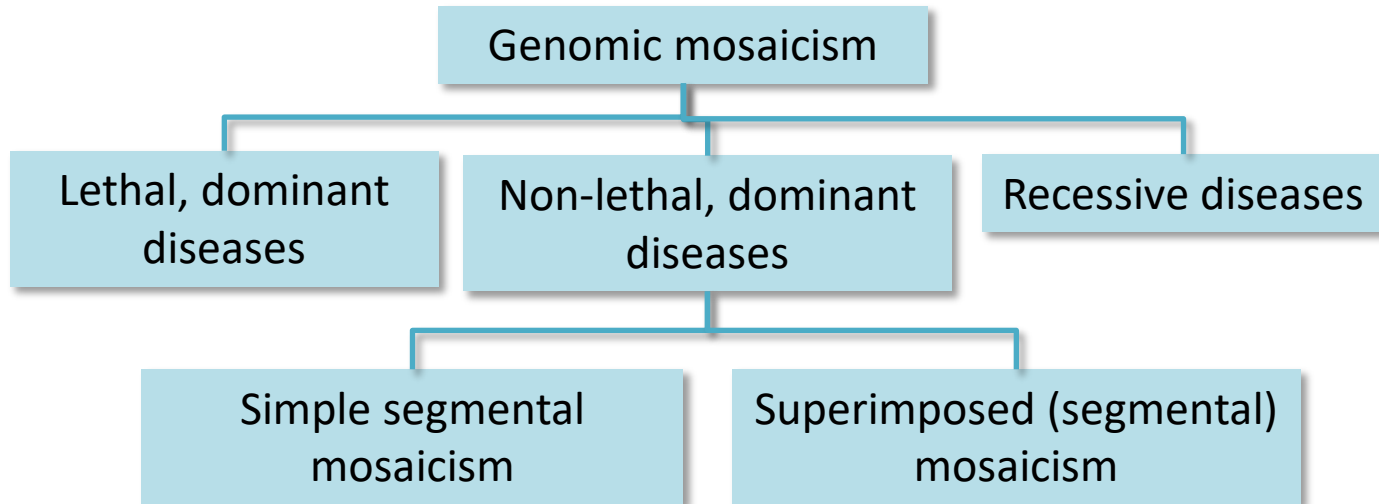
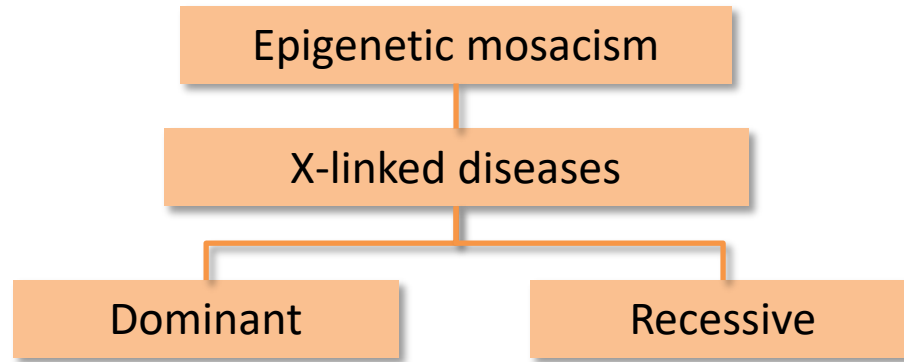
Males affected, carrier females (healthy or mosaics)

- Hypohidrotic ectodermal dysplasia, X-linked (EDA)
- Diskeratosi congenita, X-linked (DKC1)
- Menkes syndrome (ATP7A9)
- IFAP syndrome: ichthyosis follicular, atrichia, photophobia (MBTPS2)
- Reticulated pigmentary anomaly of Partington (POLA1)
- Borjesson-Forssman-Lehman syndrome (PHF6)
- Albinism-deafness syndrome, X-linked (? Xq24-26)
- Hypertrichosis, dominant X-linked (? Xq27.1)



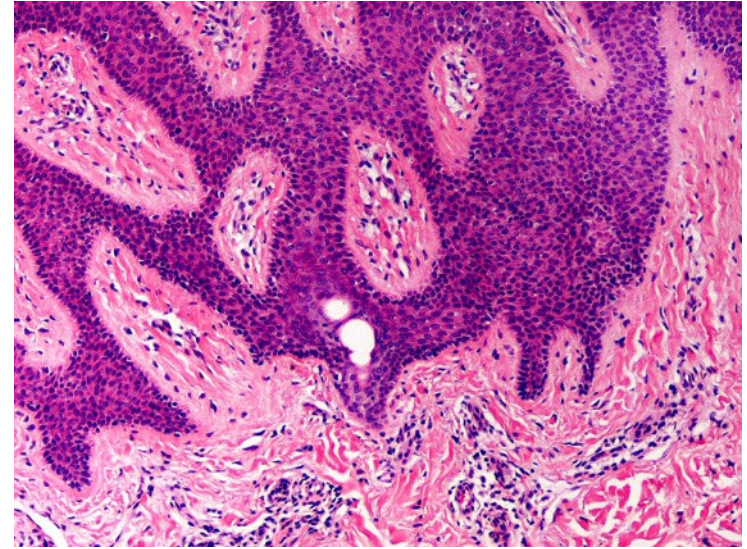
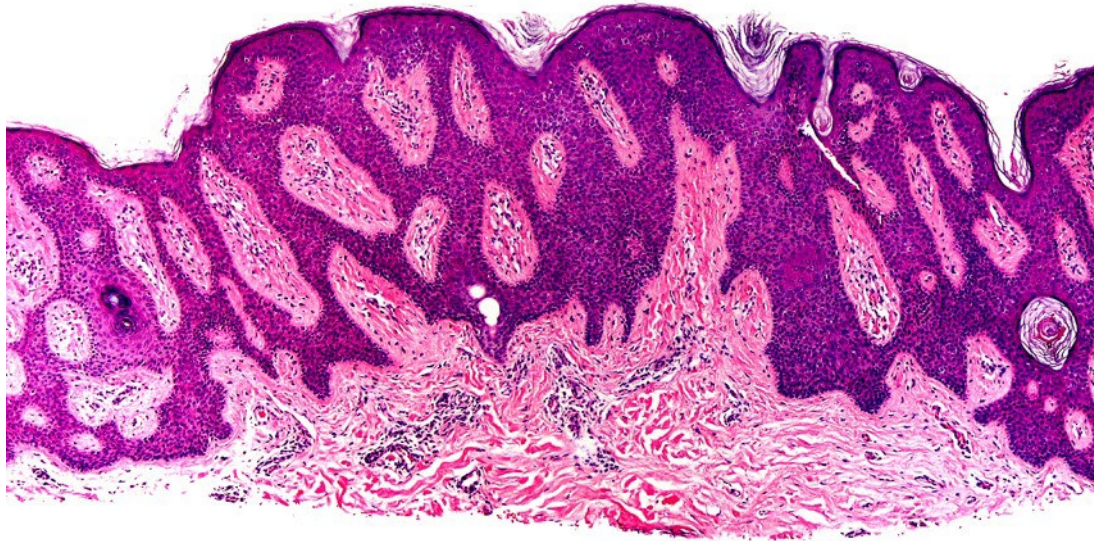
Pictures by Prof. L. Requena

Incontinentia pigmenti: NEMO



1. Identify a mosaic disorder: PATTERNS

2. Diagnose disorder: SKIN LESIONS & HISTOPATHOLOGY



3. Associated conditions: IMAGING & LAB



4. Molecular confirmation: GENE TESTING

Mosaicism of activating *FGFR3* mutations in human skin causes epidermal nevi

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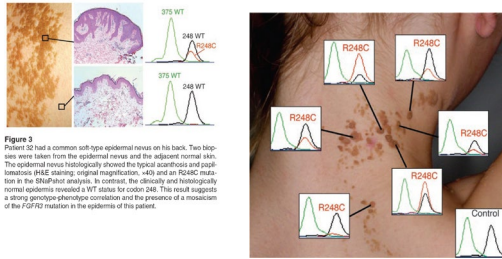


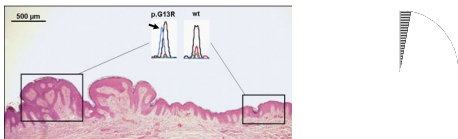
Figure 3 Patient 32 had a common soft-tissue epidermal nevus on his back. Two biopsies were taken from the epidermal nevus and the adjacent normal skin. The epidermal nevus histologically showed the typical acanthosis and papillomatosis (H&E staining; original magnification, $\times 40$) and an R248C mutation in the SNaPshot analysis. In contrast, the clinically and histologically normal epidermis revealed a WT allele for codon 248. This result suggests a strong genotype-phenotype correlation and the presence of a mosaicism of the *FGFR3* mutation in the epidermis of this patient.

Somatic mosaicism

SHORT REPORT

Keratinocytic epidermal nevi are associated with mosaic *RAS* mutations

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Somatic embryonic *FGFR2* mutations in keratinocytic epidermal nevi

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Oncogenic *PIK3CA* mutations occur in epidermal nevi and seborrheic keratoses with a characteristic mutation pattern

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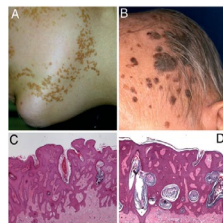


Fig. 1. Morphological similarities of linear lesions of congenital EN from a child following Blaschko's lines (A) and SE from an elderly patient (B). At the microscopic level, both lesions are characterized by acanthosis, papillomatosis, and variable degrees of hyperkeratosis and hyperpigmentation (C, D; $\times 90$).

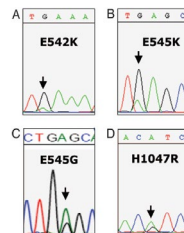
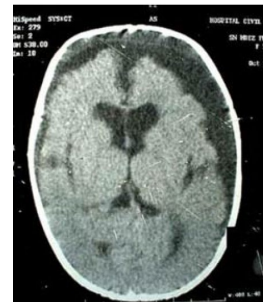


Fig. 2. Mutational analysis of EN and SK. In all cases, the mutant sequence was accompanied by the presence of the WT allele, indicating heterozygosity.

An Epidermal Nevus Syndrome with Cerebral Involvement Caused by a Mosaic *FGFR3* Mutation

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Epidermal nevus Normal skin Blood leukocytes

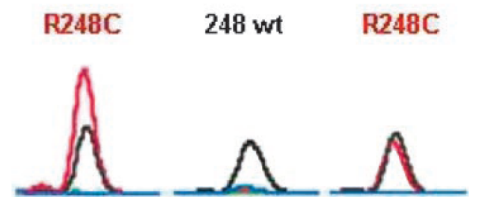
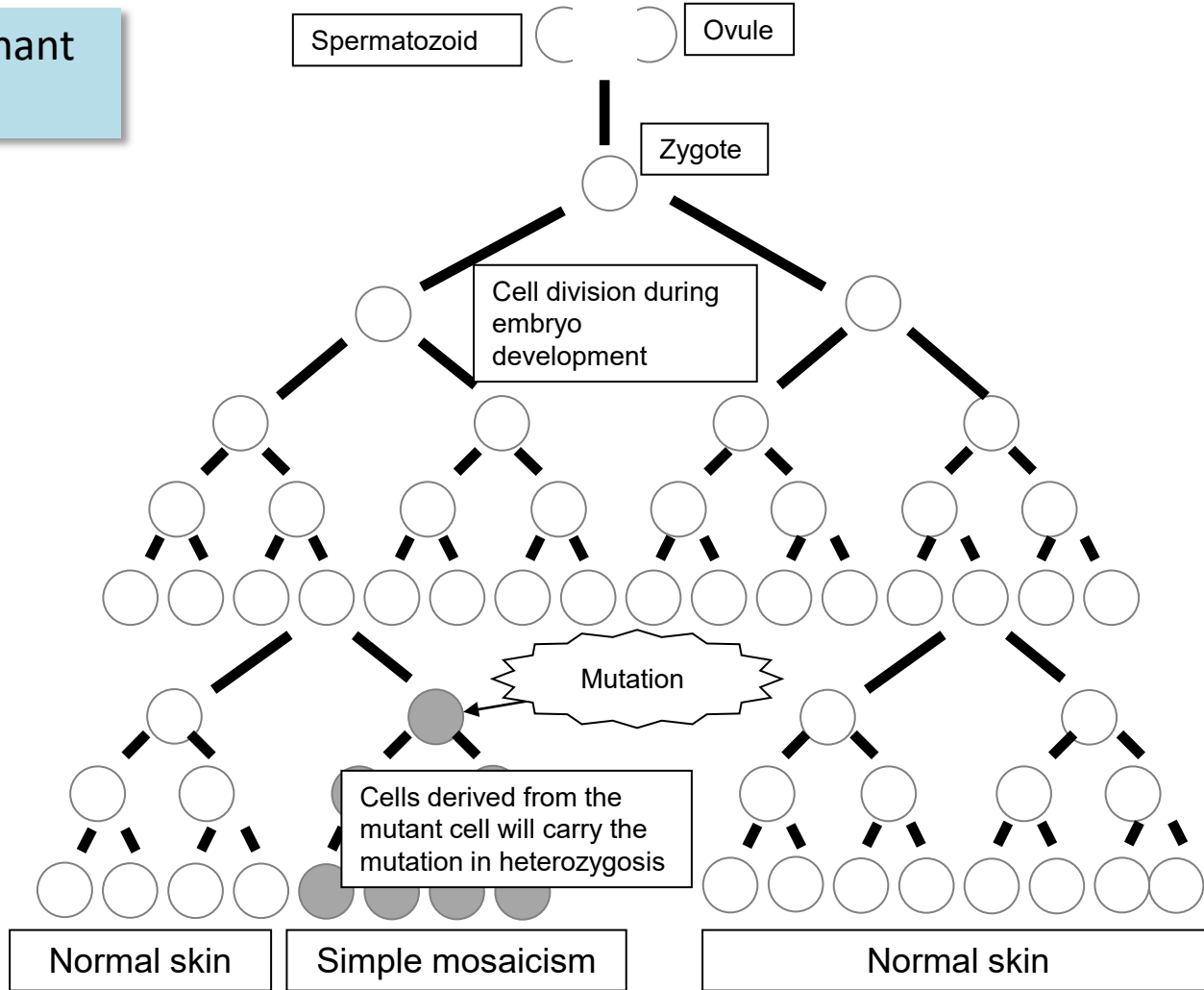


Fig. 4. SNaPshot multiplex assay shows a heterozygous R248C mutation within the epidermal nevus and also in blood leukocytes, whereas unaffected skin next to the epidermal nevus was wild-type, indicating mosaicism of the *FGFR3* mutation.

Lethal, dominant diseases



Genomic mosaicism of lethal mutations

Genetically confirmed

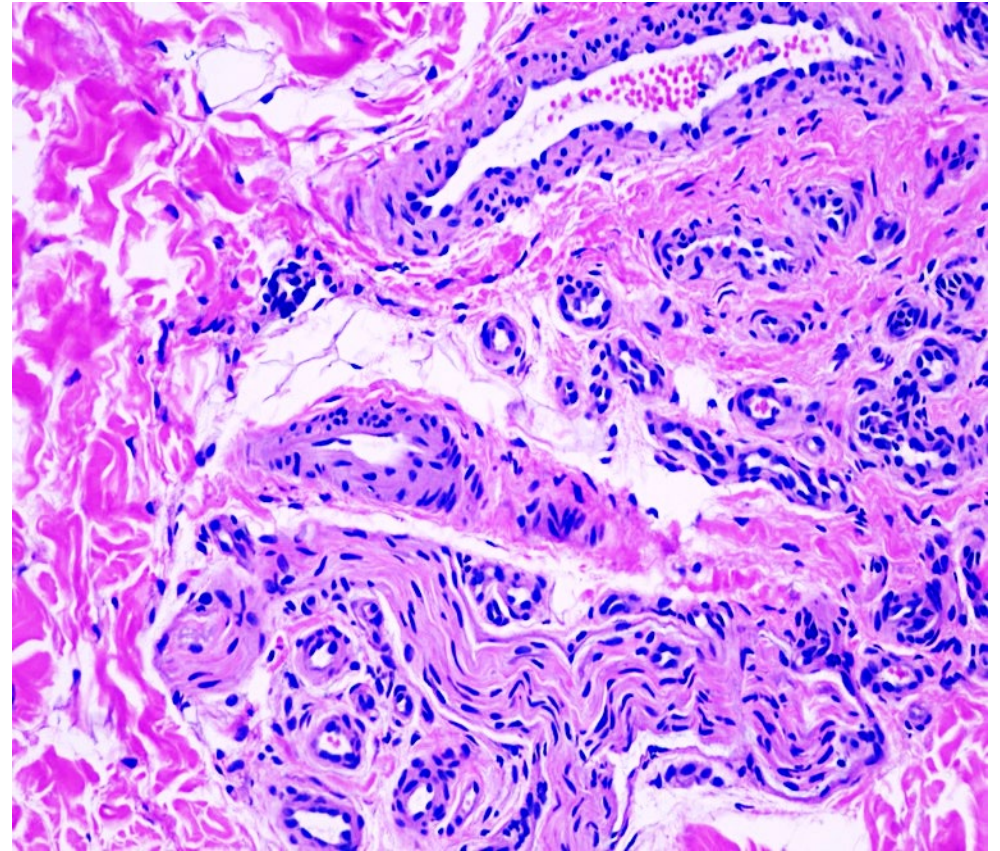
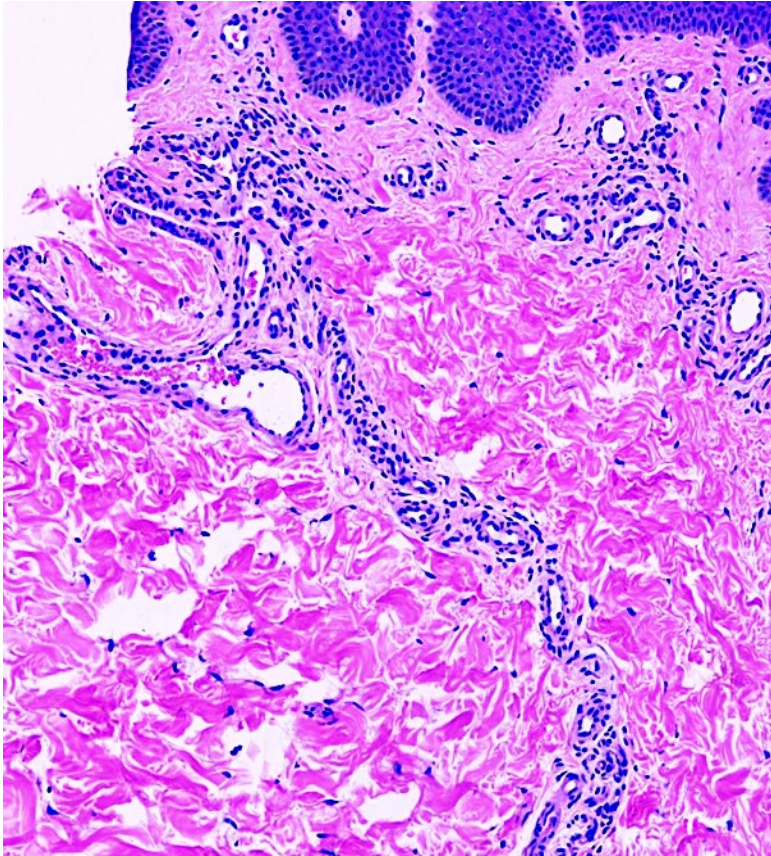
- PROS overgrowth spectrum (PIK3CA)
- Proteus syndrome (AKT1)
- Port wine stains and Sturge-Weber syndrome (GNAQ/GNA11)
- Epidermal nevus and epidermal nevus syndrome (FGFR3, FGFR2, HRAS, PIK3CA)
- Sebaceous nevus and sebaceous nevus syndrome (KRAS, HRAS, FGFR2)
- Nevus spilus and related (HRAS, PTPN11)
- McCune-Albright syndrome (GNAS)
- Maffucci syndrome (IDH1, IDH2)
- Melanocytic nevus and melanocytic nevus syndrome (NRAS)
- Becker nevus and Becker nevus syndrome (ACTB) – and CSMH
- Nevus comedonicus and nevus comedonicus syndrome (NEK9)
- Encephalocraniocutaneous lipomatosis (FGFR1)
- Vabres syndrome (RhoA)

Awaiting genetic confirmation

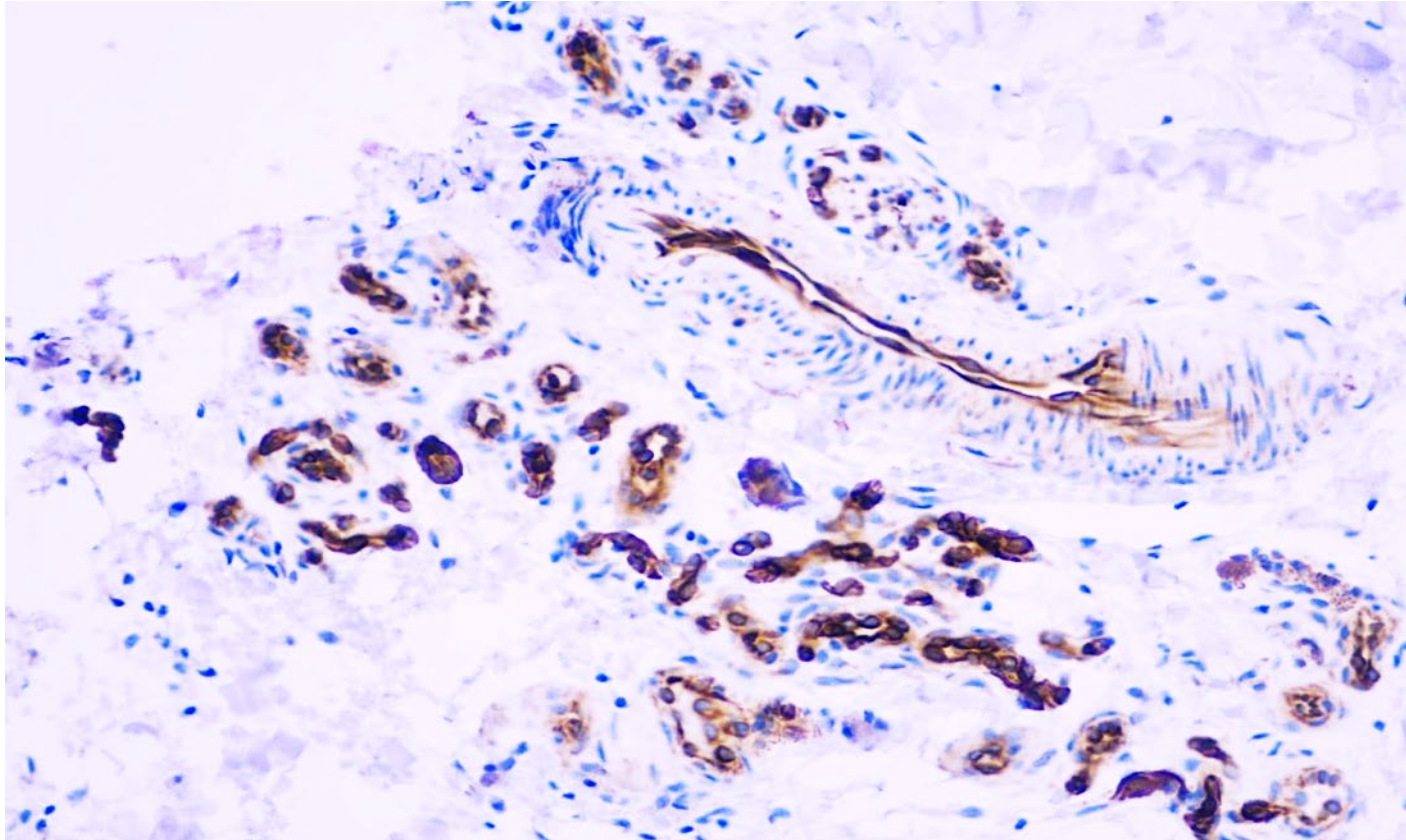
- Angora hair nevus syndrome
- Castori syndrome
- NEVADA syndrome
- Cutis marmorata telangiectatica congenita (?)
- Nevus trichilemmocysticus and nevus trichilemmocysticus syndrome

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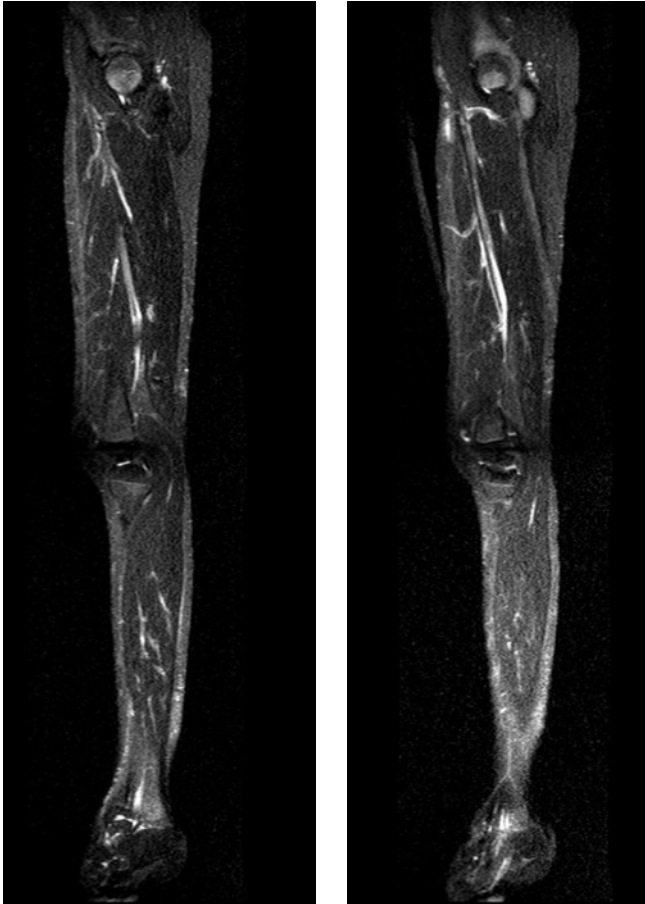


2. Diagnose disorder: SKIN LESIONS & HISTOPATHOLOGY



WT1

3. Associated conditions: IMAGING & LAB



4. Molecular confirmation: GENE TESTING

RESUMEN DE RESULTADOS

*La paciente cuenta con un informe previo de 2020 con resultado negativo en el que no se detectaron variantes patogénicas.

El re-análisis de las muestras utilizando la nueva versión del panel MALVA (v5), que incluye nuevos genes asociados a malformaciones vasculares, nos ha permitido detectar la variante *MAP2K1* (NM_002755): c.1171G>C (p.Lys37Asn) en ADN obtenido a partir de tejido en un mosaico del 2.3%. Según la clasificación de variantes del ACMG (American College of Medical Genetics) se considera esta variante como **patogénica**.

Dado que este gen está relacionado con malformaciones arteriovenosas, la pres **paciente**.

MAP2K1

INTERPRETACIÓN DE LOS RESULTADOS

En la paciente se detecta una variante en forma de mosaico en la secuencia de ADN del gen *MAP2K1*. Este gen está relacionado con malformaciones arteriovenosas (Couto JA, 2017, PMID: 28190454).

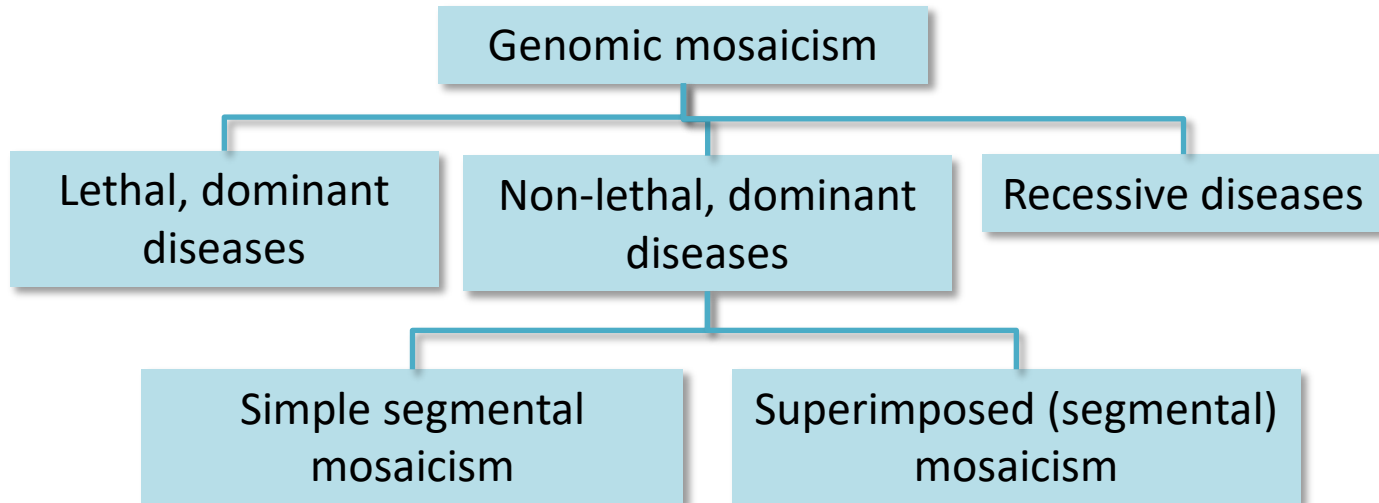
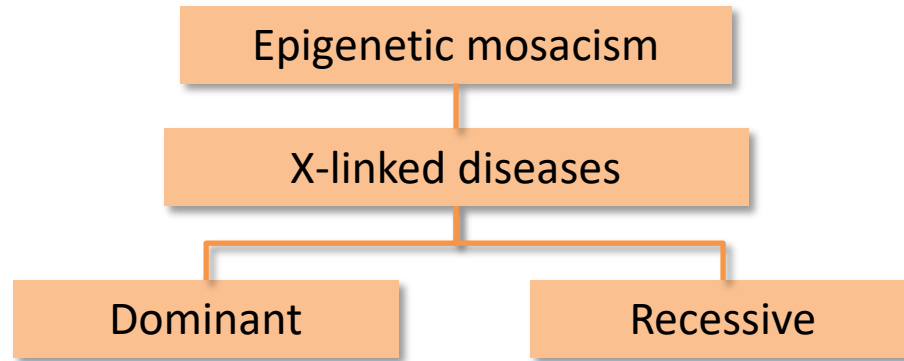
La variante ha sido clasificada por 10 predictores de patogénicidad *in silico* como patogénica (DANN, DEGEN2, FATHMM-MKL, LIST S2, M-CAP, MVP, MutationAssessor, MutationTaster, PrimateAI, y SIFT) y por 2 como benigna (BayesDel_addAF, y EIGEN). Además, la variante no está presente ni en los exomas (cobertura = 99.2), ni en los genomas de GnomAD (cobertura = 30.0).

Por otro lado, la variante está descrita en la base de datos de variantes dbSNP (rs39751679) clasificada como patogénica y en la base de datos de enfermedades ClinVar asociada a diferentes patologías.

5. Therapy IF EXISTING

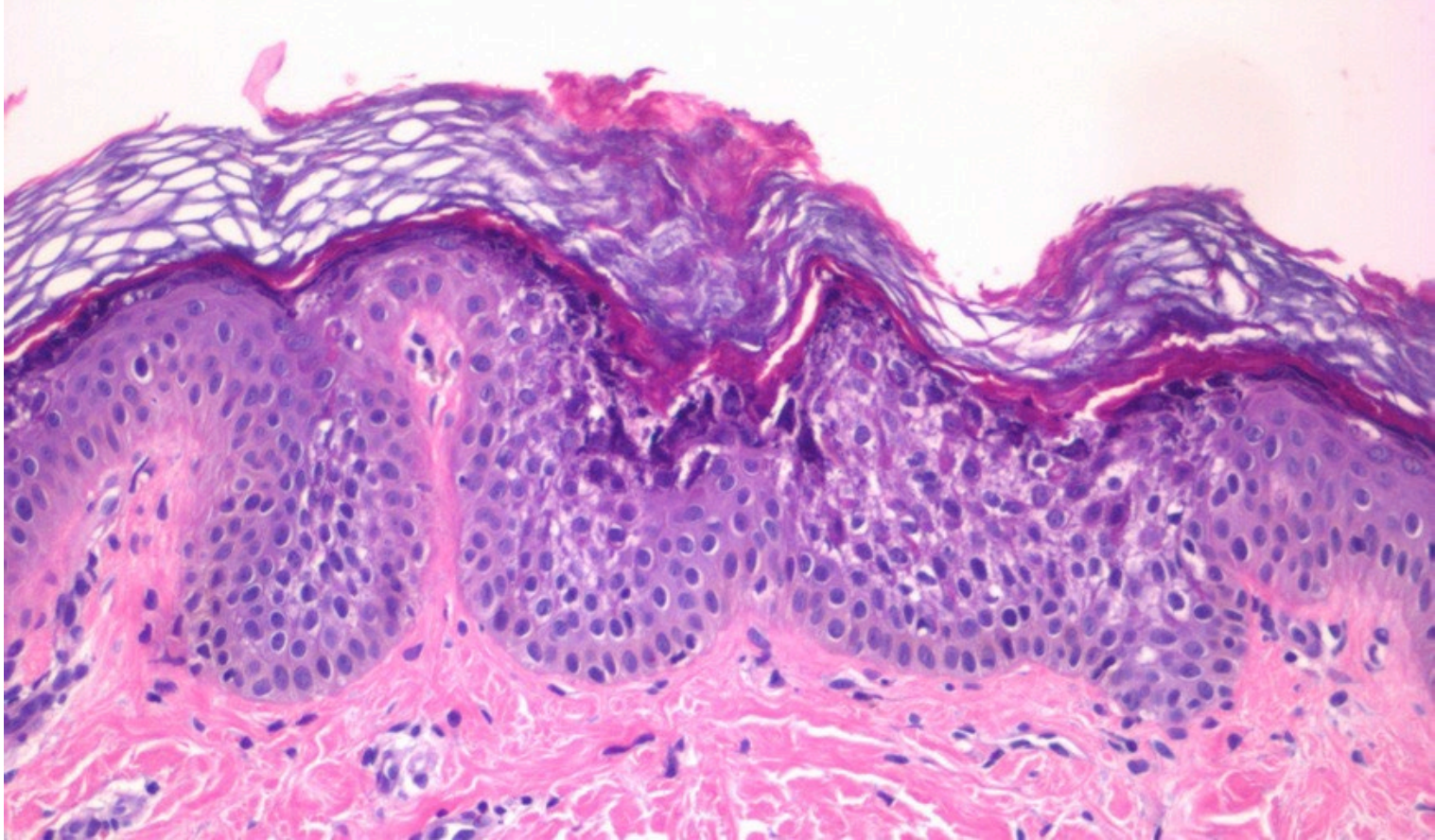
Surgery ?

Trametinib – MAPK inhibitors ?



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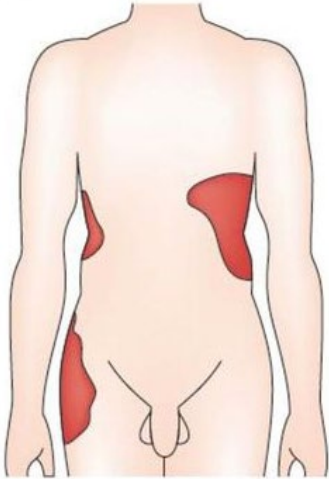
2. Diagnose disorder: SKIN LESIONS & HISTOPATHOLOGY



3. Associated conditions: IMAGING & LAB

4. Molecular confirmation: GENE TESTING

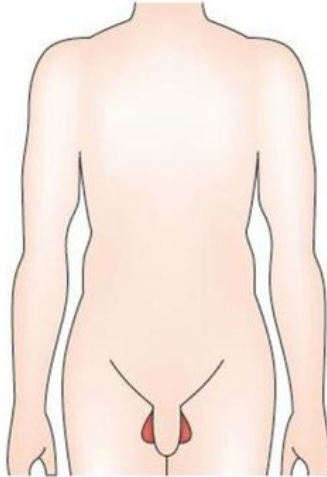
Only somatic cells



Somatic mosaicism

Not transmissible

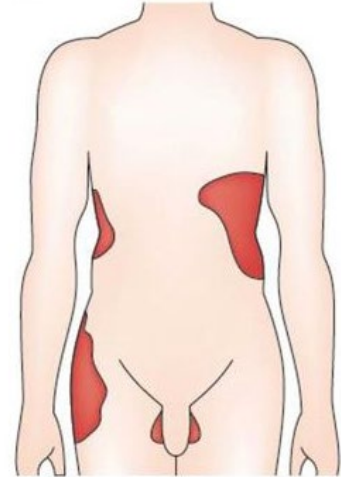
Only gonadal cells (germinal)



Gonadal mosaicism

Transmissible

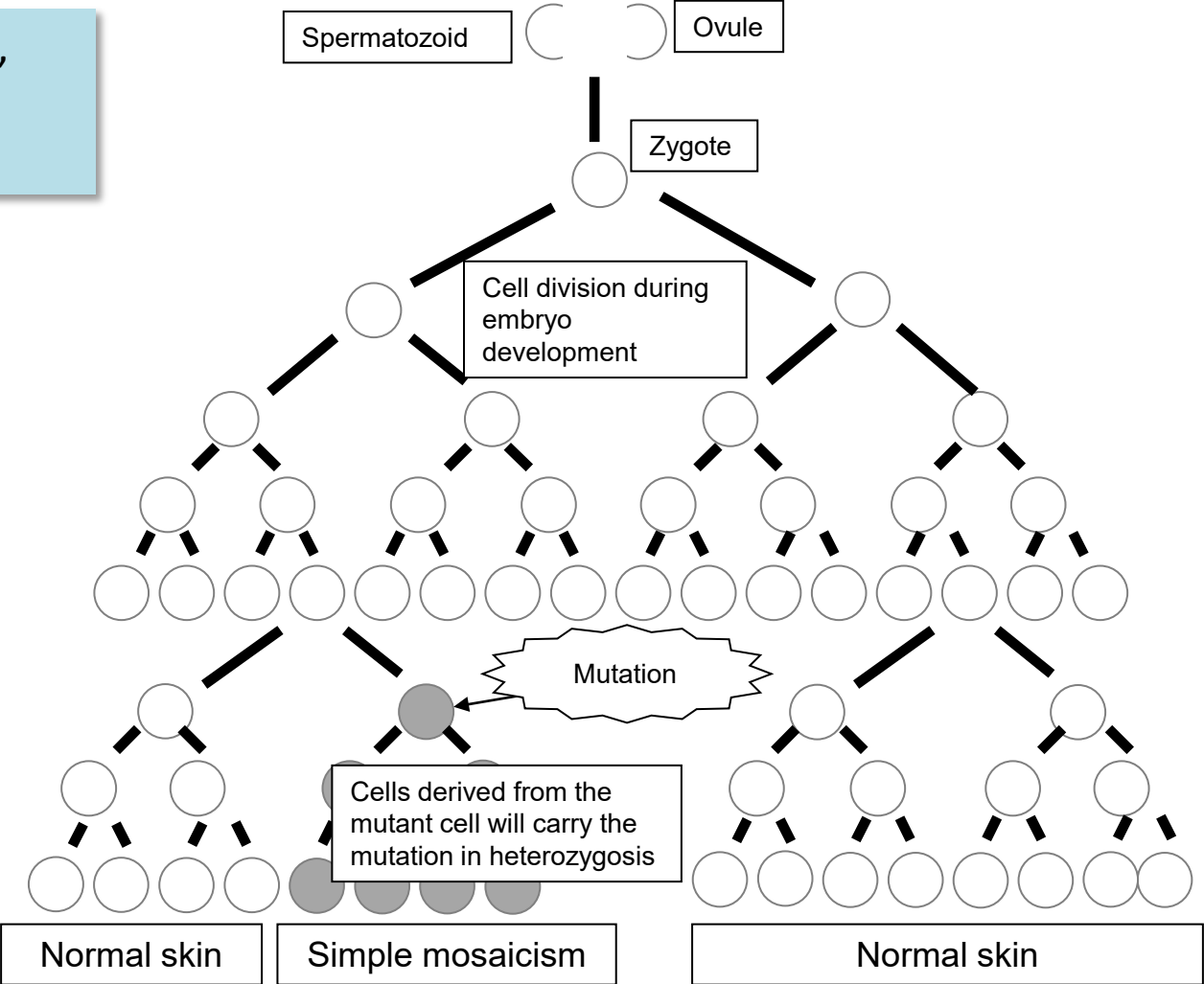
Somatic and gonadal cells



Gonado-somatic mosaicism

Transmissible

Non-lethal,
dominant
diseases



Mutations in K1 or K10

Germinal

During embryo development

Epidermolytic ichthyosis

Epidermolytic epidermal nevus

Mutations in connexin 26 (GJB2)

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graph TD; A[Mutations in connexin 26 (GJB2)] --> B[Germinal]; A --> C[During embryo development]; B --> D[Keratitis-ichthyosis-deafness KID syndrome]; C --> E[PEODDN/PAON];
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Germinal

During embryo development

Keratitis-ichthyosis-deafness KID syndrome

PEODDN/PAON

Simple segmental mosaicism of dominant, non-lethal diseases (demonstrated by genetic analysis)

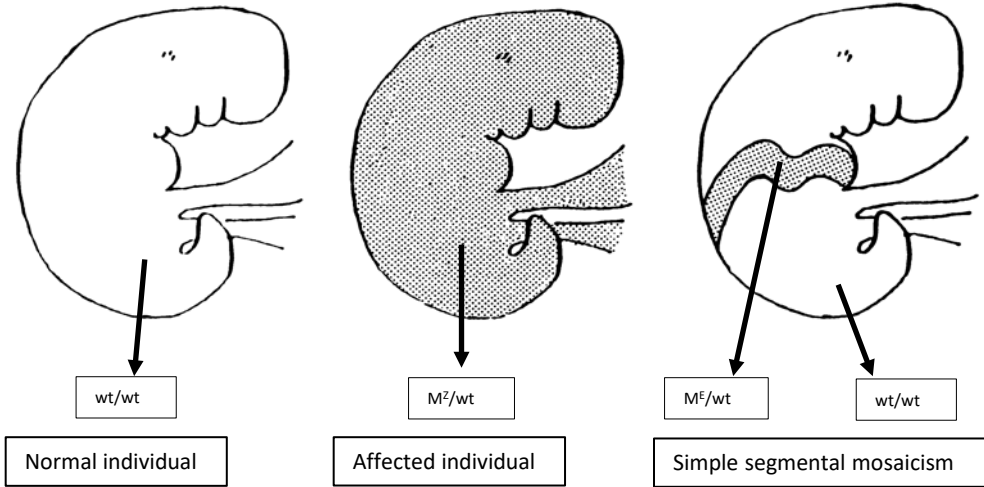
Of genuinely monoallelic diseases

- Epidermolytic ichthyosis Brocq (KRT1, KRT10)
- Superficial epidermolytic ichthyosis Siemens (KRT2)
- Darier disease (ATP2A2)
- Hailey-Hailey disease (ATP2C1)
- Pachyonychia congenita (KRT16)
- Dowling-Degos disease, Galli-Galli variant (KRT5)
- Keratitis-ichthyosis-deafness KID syndrome (GJB2)

Of biallelic diseases

- Neurofibromatosis 1 (NF1)
- Gorlin syndrome (PTCH1, PTCH2, SUFU)
- Glomangiomas - GVM (GLML)
- Familial leiomyomatosis with renal cancer (FH)
- Tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC1, TSC2)
- Cylindromatosis (CYL)

Simple mosaicism in autosomal dominant disorders: Mosaicism in genuinely monoallelic autosomal dominant disorders



wt: wild type; M: mutated allele; Z:
zygote; E: early; L: late

Non-lethal dominant mutations - biallelic

Spermatozoid () Ovule ()

Zygote

Mutation
Cells derived from the mutant cell will carry the mutation in heterozygosis

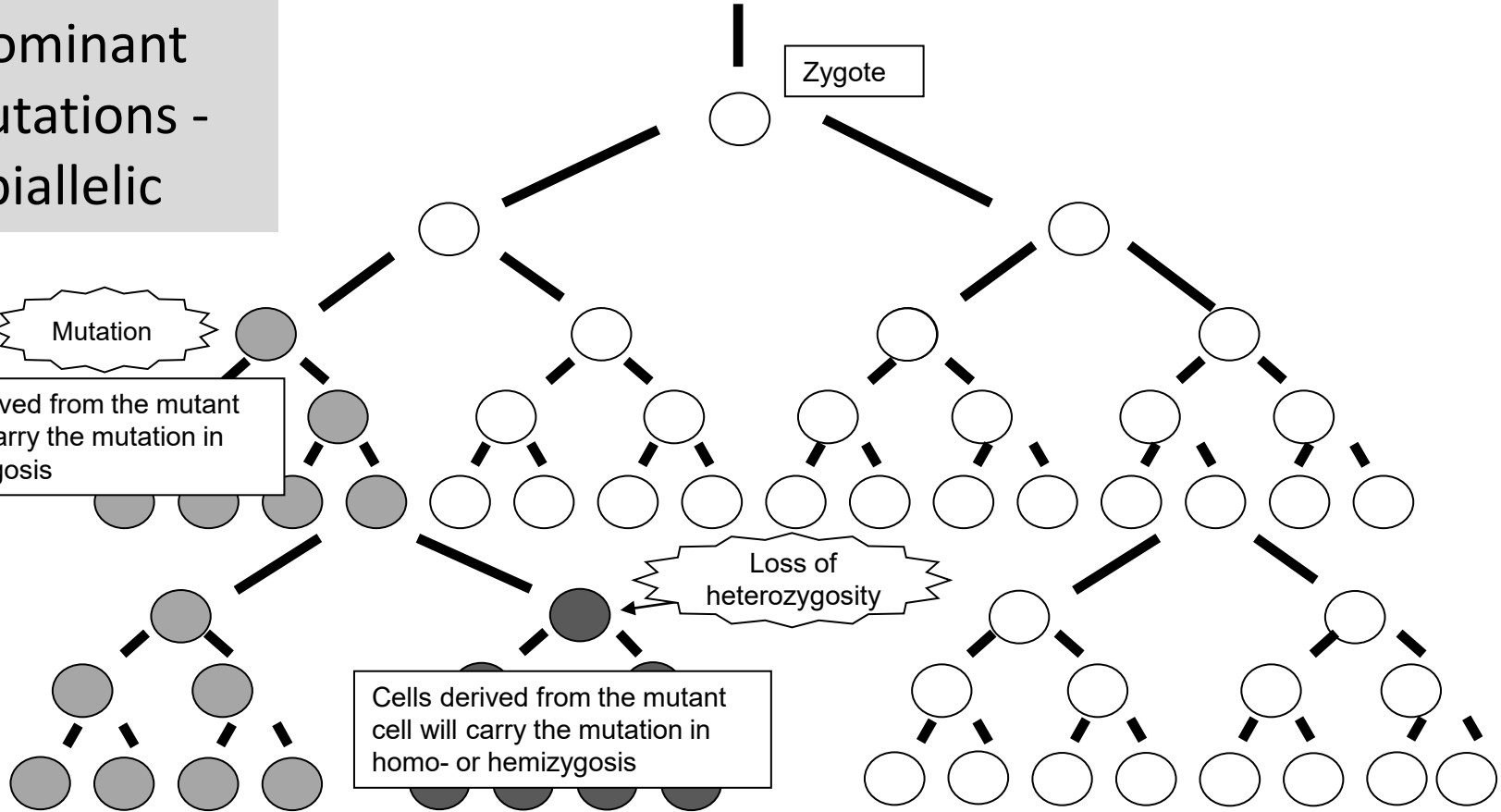
Loss of heterozygosity

Cells derived from the mutant cell will carry the mutation in homo- or hemizygosis

Hyperpigment/normal-looking skin

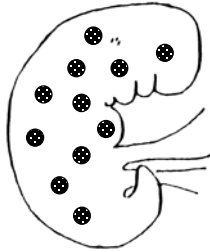
Lesion (2nd-hit)

Normal skin

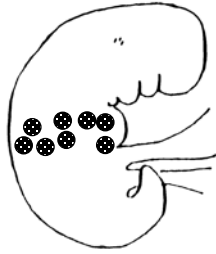




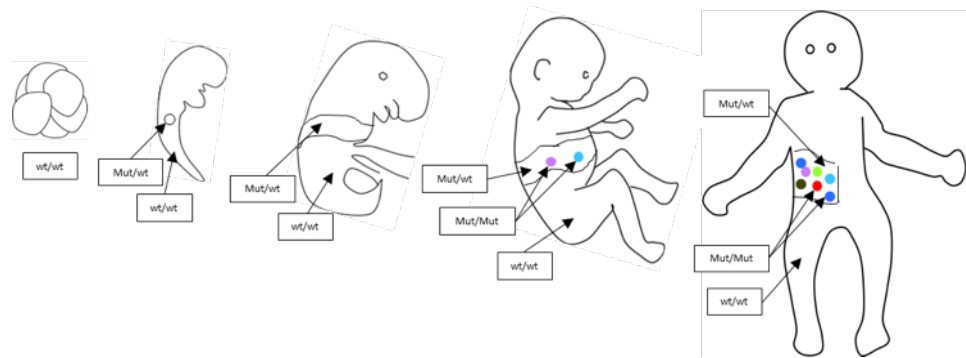
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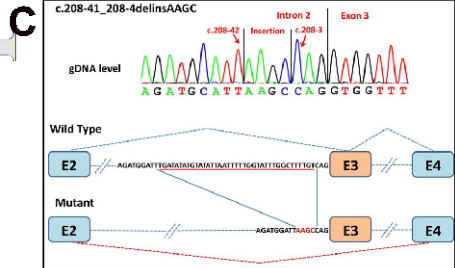
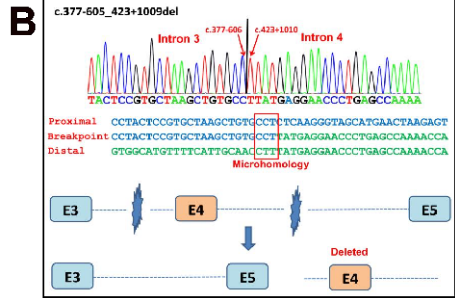


Non-segmental disseminated mosaicism



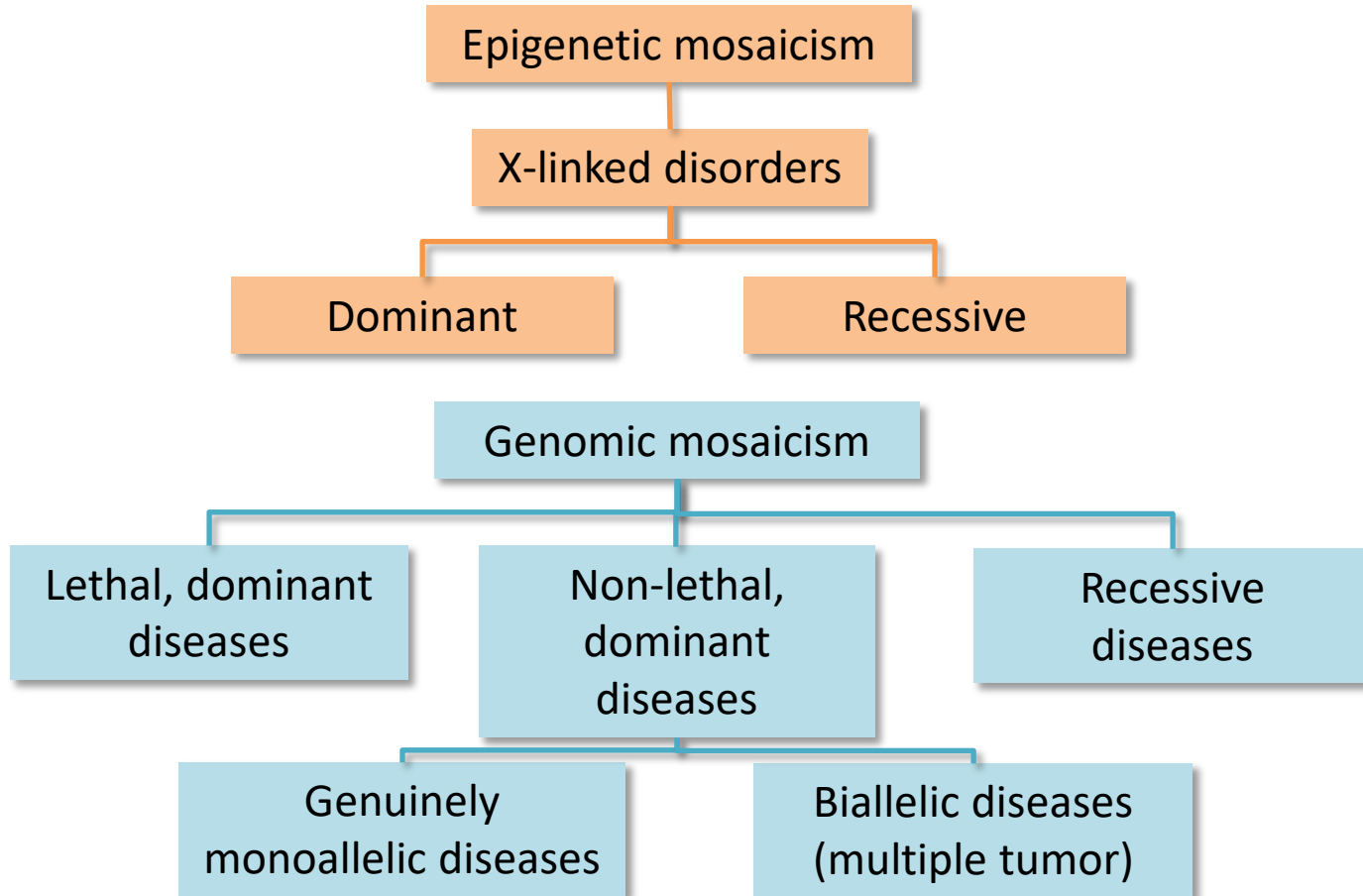
Simple segmental mosaicism





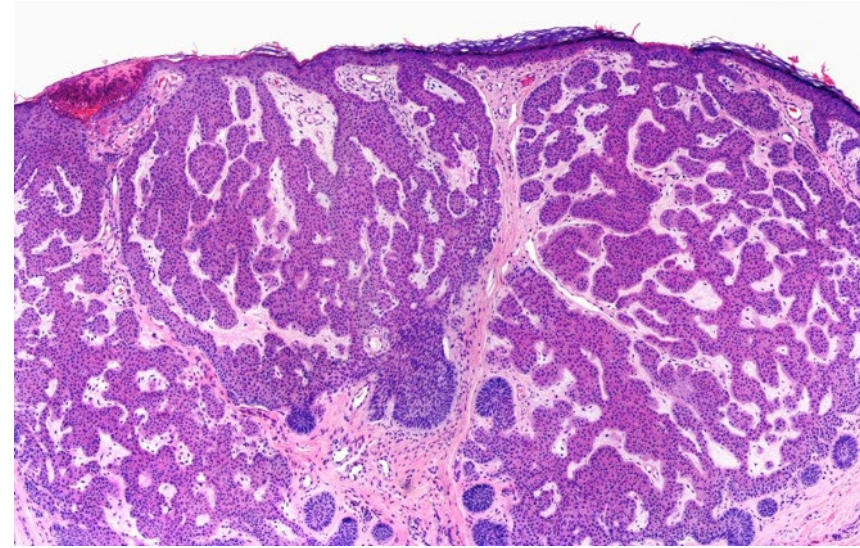
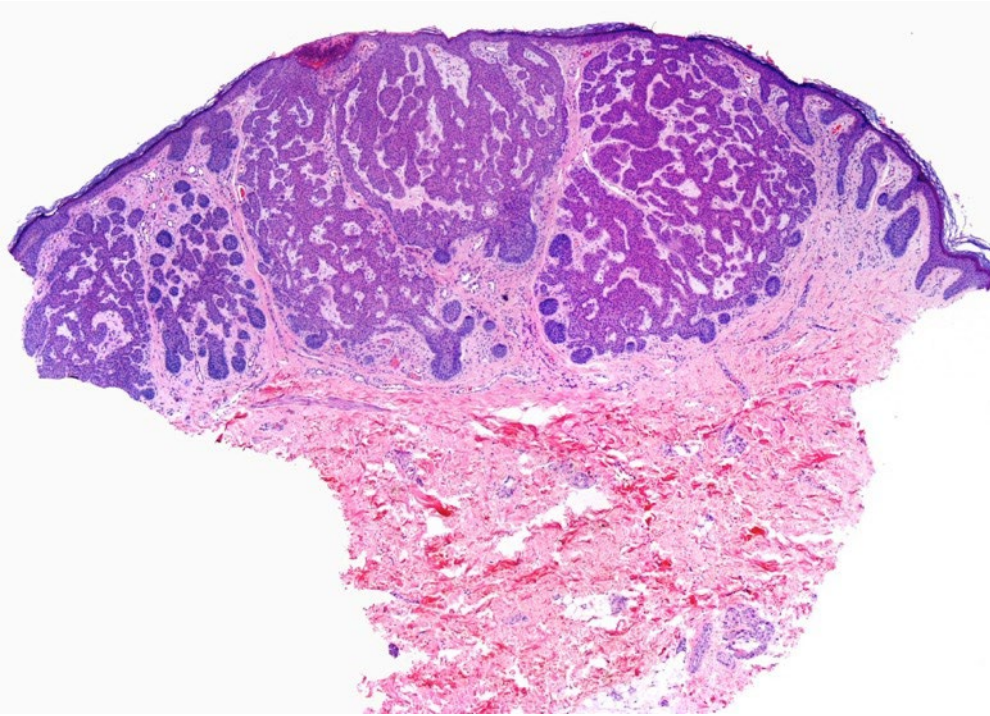
To our knowledge, this is the first reported patient with a documented post-zygotic *SPRED1* deletion causing mosaic Legius syndrome. We identified a common heterozygous *SPRED1* deletion in all three CALMs and propose this heterozygous change is responsible for the larger segmental area of hyperpigmentation, similar to segmental NF1, where a heterozygous somatic *NF1* gene deletion was detected in melanocytes cultured from a hyperpigmented skin area in a patient with no systemic features of NF1 and a second hit *NF1* mutation was detected only in the melanocytes from a CALM within the area⁷. Our study also reaffirms that the CALMs seen in Legius syndrome are the result of biallelic inactivating mutations in *SPRED1*¹.

Cutaneous mosaicism

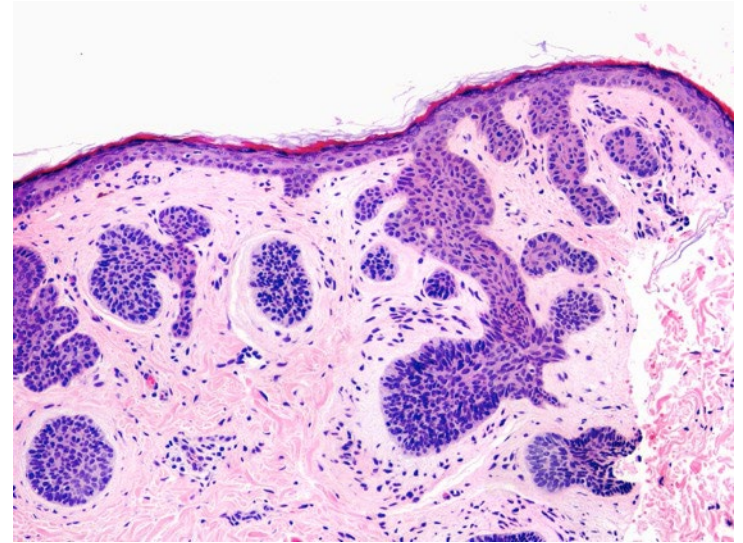


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2. Diagnose disorder: SKIN LESIONS & HISTOPATHOLOGY



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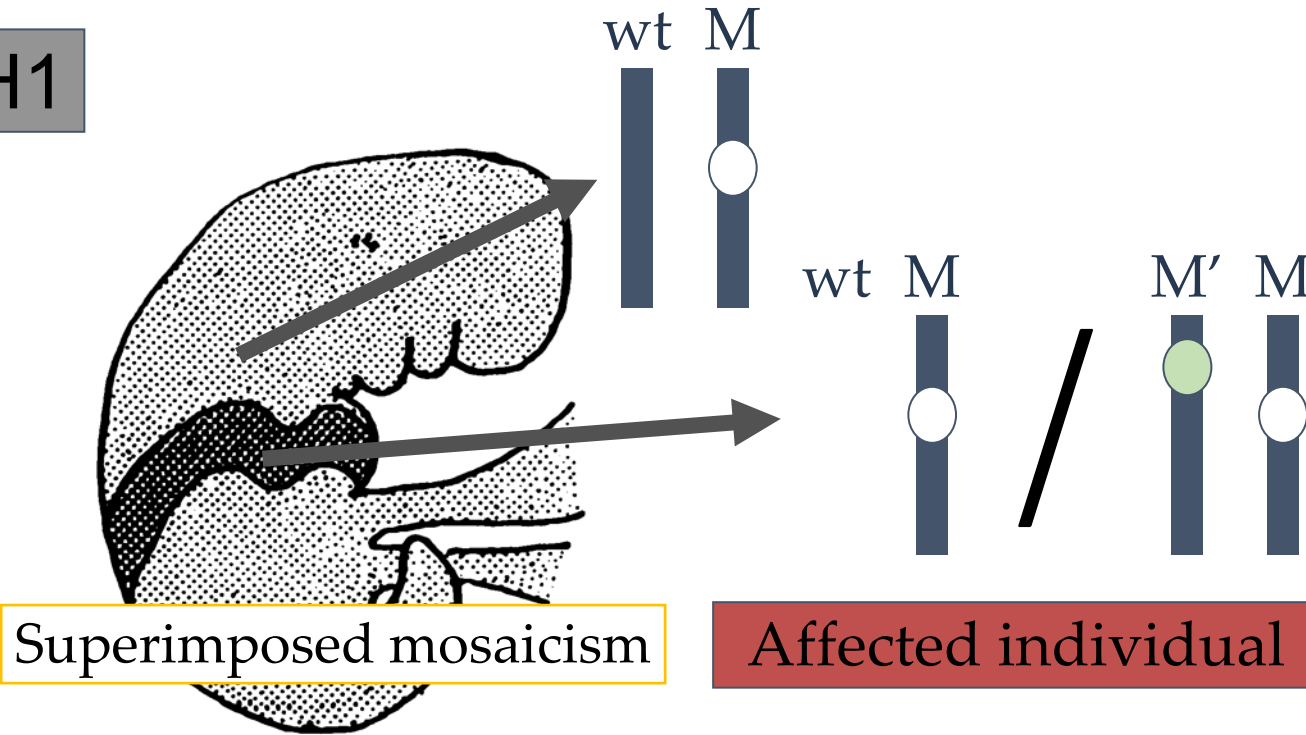


3. Associated conditions: IMAGING & LAB

- Neurologic exam, MRI – normal
- Chest X-ray – normal
- Orthopantomography – Odontogenic cyst

4. Molecular confirmation: GENE TESTING

PTCH1



Superimposed mosaicism

Affected individual

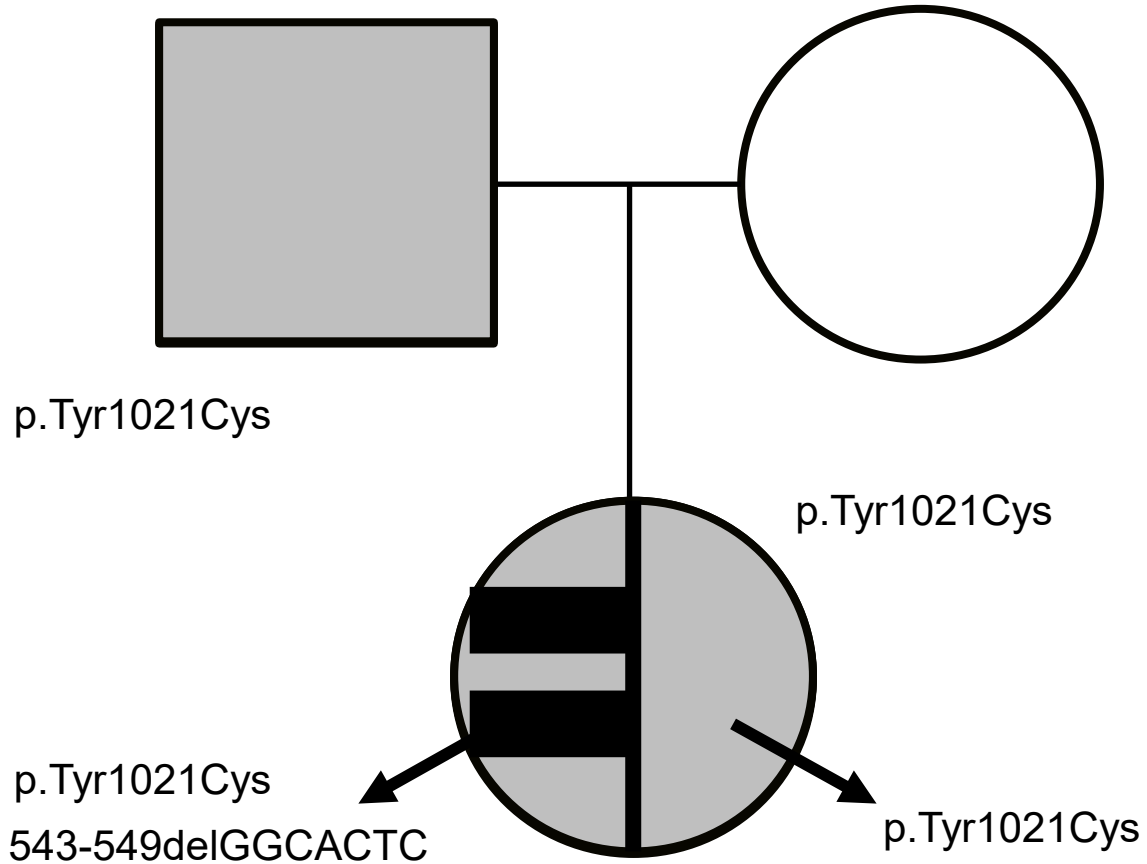
Gorlin syndrome

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Segmental Gorlin

4. Molecular confirmation: GENE TESTING

PTCH1



Non-lethal
dominant
mutations -
biallelic

Spermatozoid



Ovule



Zygote

Cell division during
embryo development

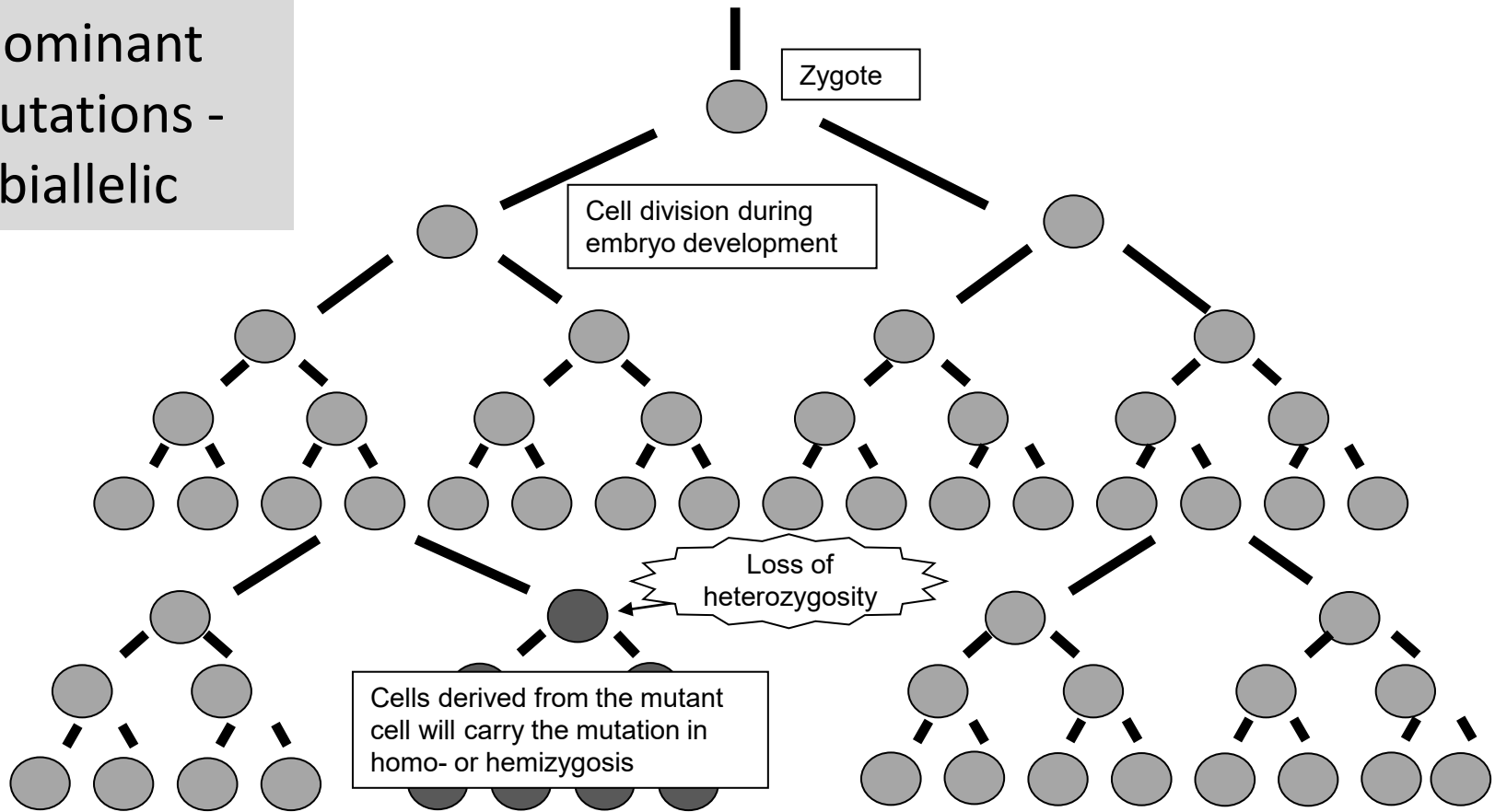
Loss of
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Affected normal-looking skin

Lesion (2nd-hit)

Affected normal-looking skin



Non-lethal
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Spermatozoid Ovule

Zygote

Cell division during
embryo development

TIMING

Embryo – Superimposed

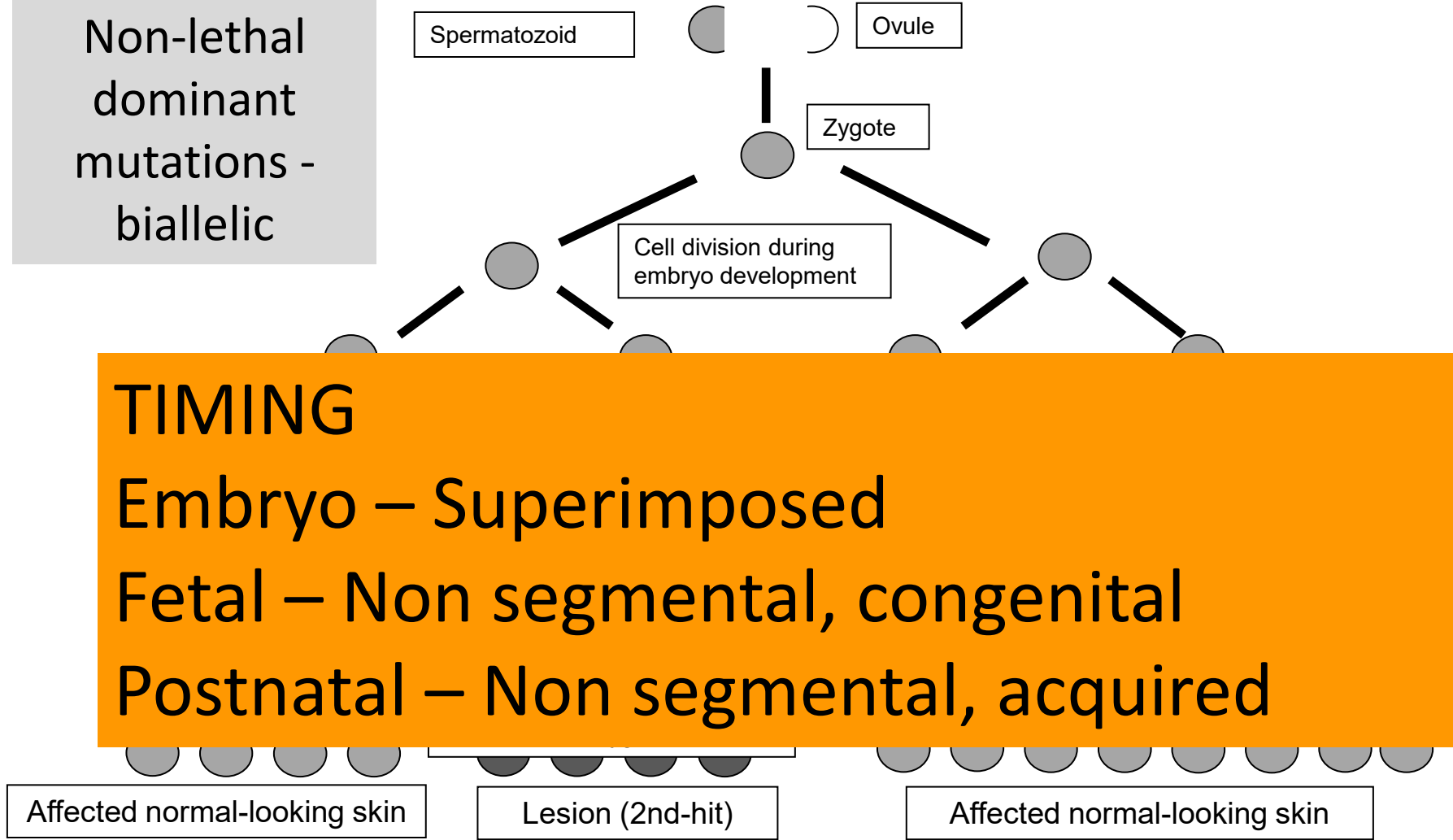
Fetal – Non segmental, congenital

Postnatal – Non segmental, acquired

Affected normal-looking skin

Lesion (2nd-hit)

Affected normal-looking skin



Superimposed mosaicism in AD, non-lethal mutations

Genetically confirmed

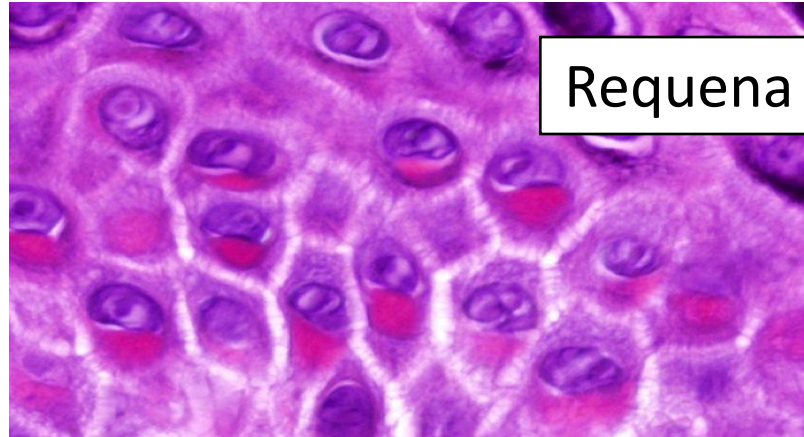
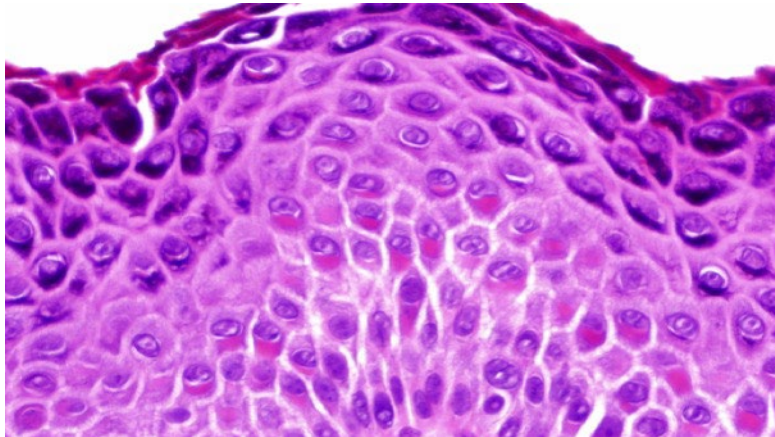
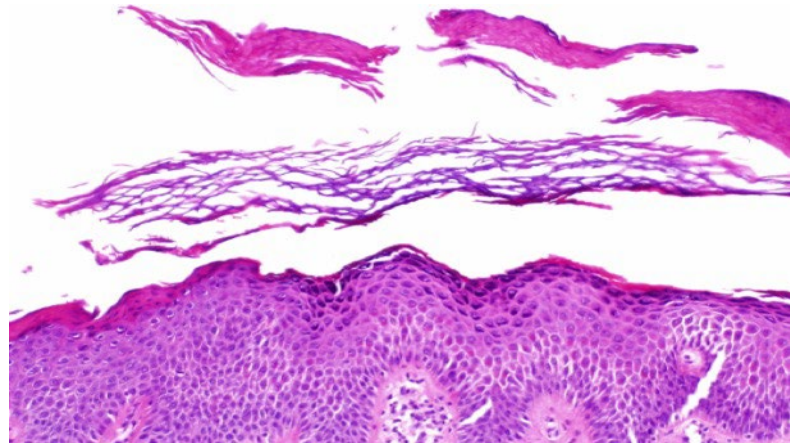
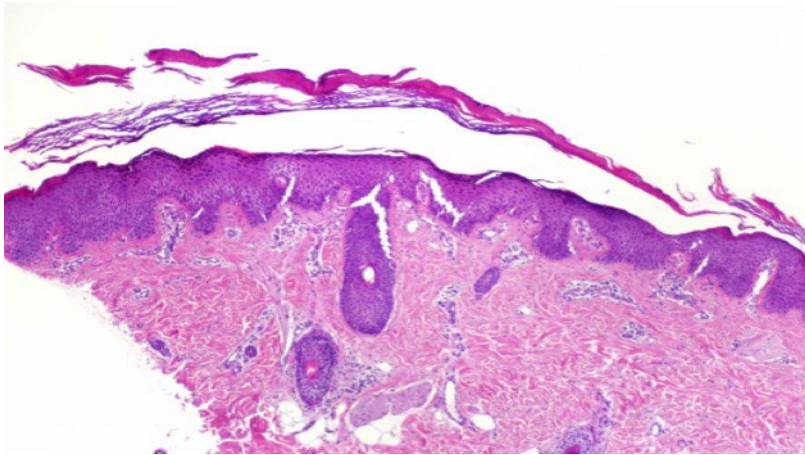
- Darier disease
- Gorlin syndrome
- Hailey-Hailey disease
- Osteomatosis cutis hereditaria
- Legius syndrome
- Neurofibromatosis 1
- Disseminated superficial actinic porokeratosis
- PTEN hamartoma syndrome
- CM-AVM syndrome

Pending genetic confirmation

- Albright's hereditary osteodystrophy
- Acanthosis nigricans, autosomal dominant
- Buschke-Ollendorff syndrome
- Syringomatosis
- Trichoepitheliomatosis
- Tuberous sclerosis complex
- Familial leiomyomatosis with renal cancer
- Eccrine spiradenomatosis
- Epidermolytic ichthyosis Brocq
- Glomangiomatosis - GVM
- Hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (Osler-Rendu-Weber)
- Hereditary basaloid follicular hamartoma
- Marfan syndrome

1. Identify a mosaic disorder: PATTERNS

2. Diagnose disorder: SKIN LESIONS & HISTOPATHOLOGY



Requena bodies

3. Associated conditions: IMAGING & LAB

Superficial erosions

Generalized pruritus

Diffuse erythema

Fissures on fingers

Ectodermal dysplasia

Skin
fragility

Nail dystrophy

Plantar keratoderma

Diffuse alopecia

Syndrom

Ectodermal
dysplasia

Letter

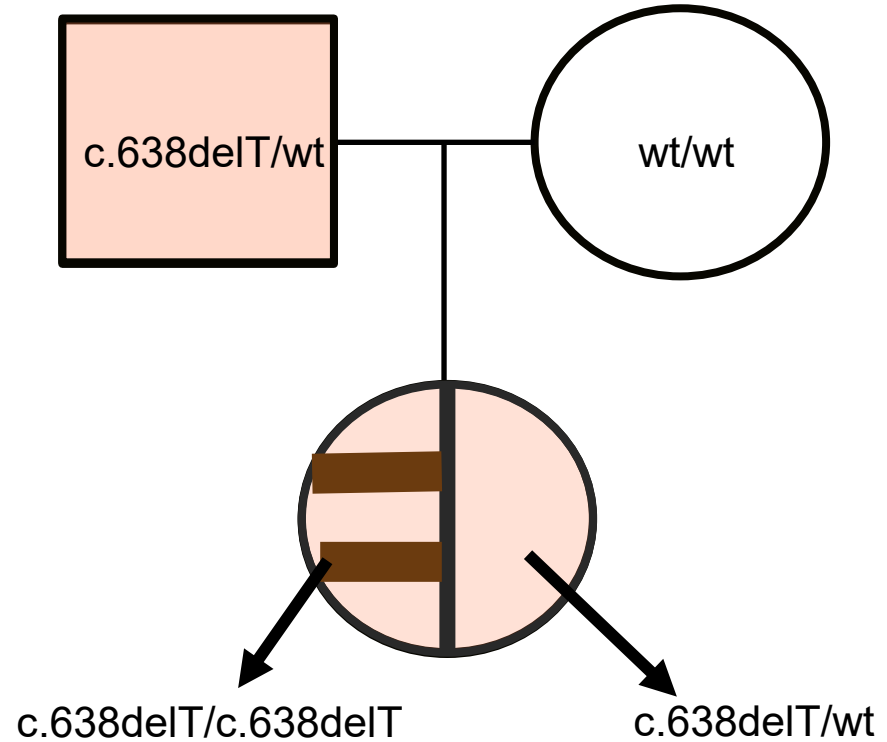
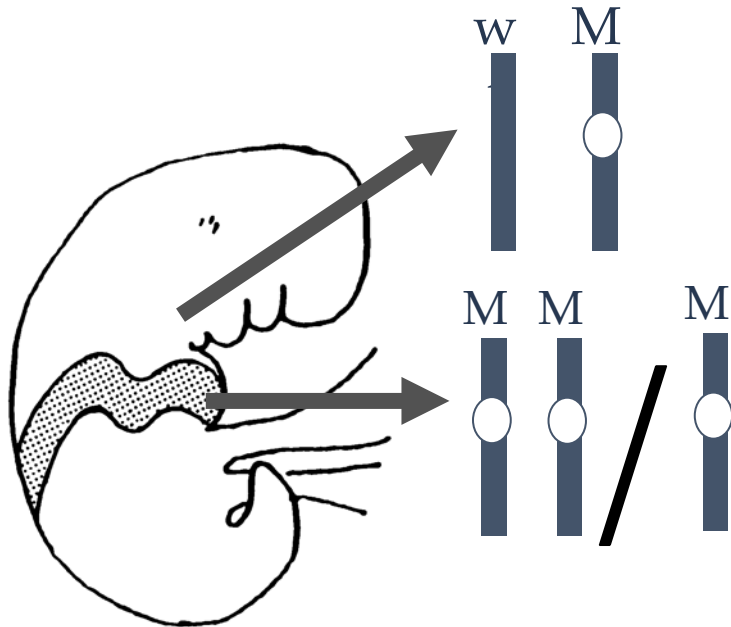
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Mutations in the plakophilin 1
gene result in ectodermal
dysplasia/skin fragility
syndrome

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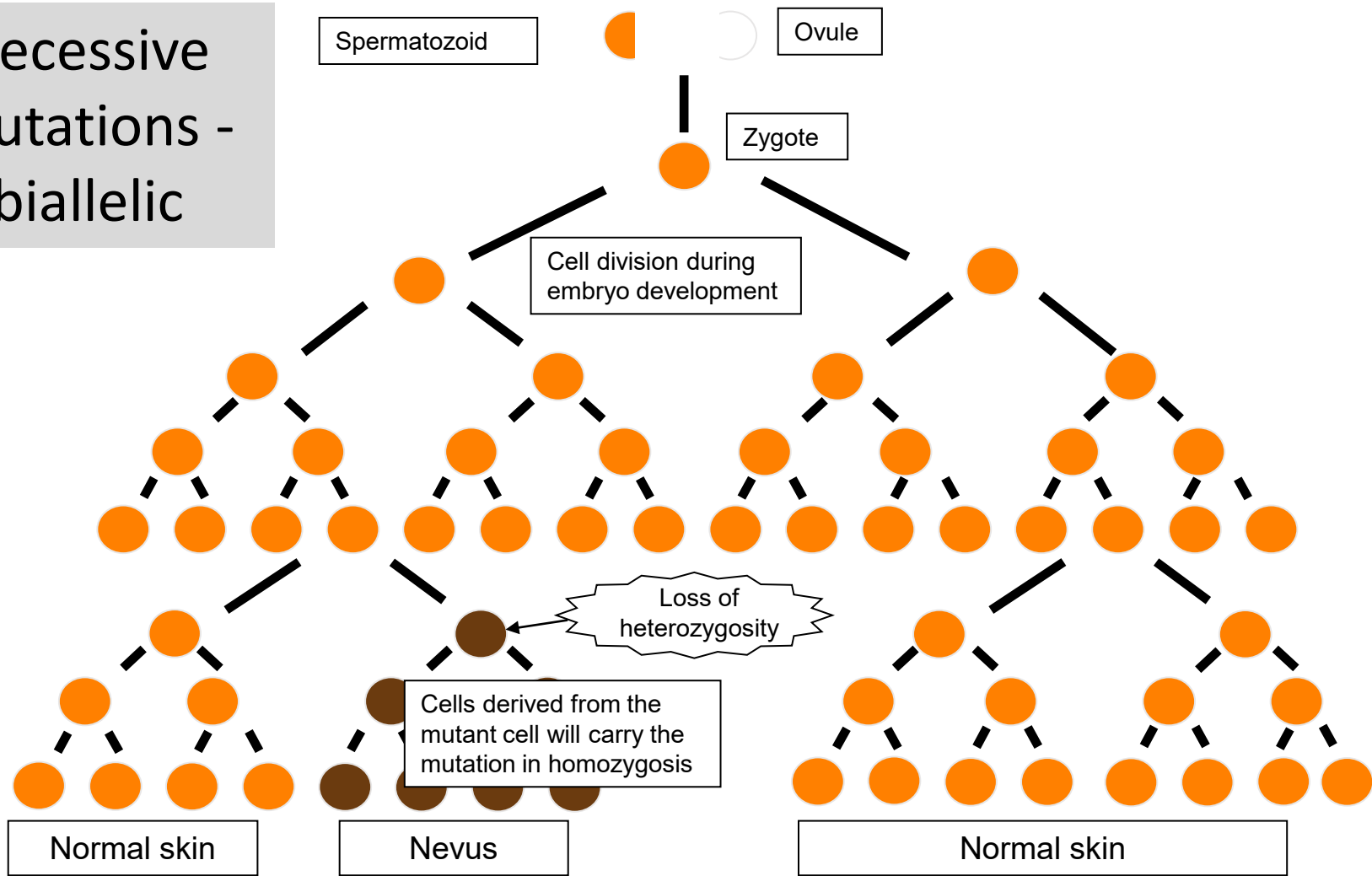
4. Molecular confirmation: GENE TESTING

Plakophilin 1



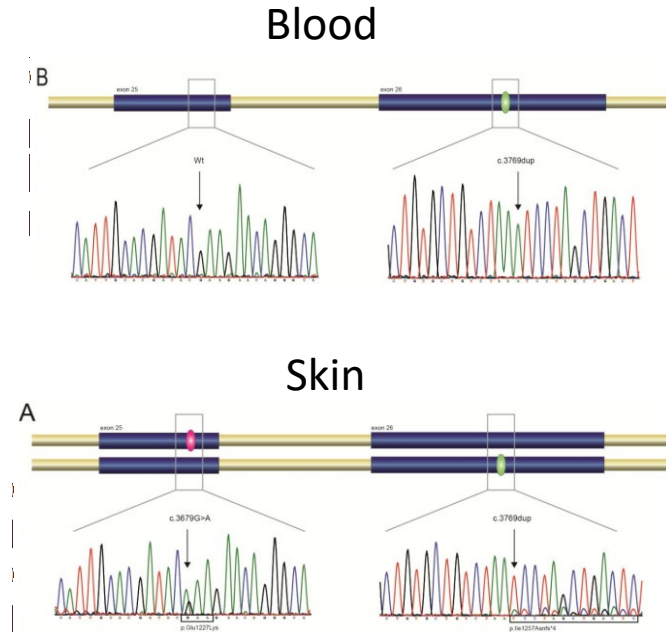
Mosaic ED-SF

Recessive mutations - biallelic



Recessive mosaicism in ABCA12 causes blaschkoid congenital ichthyosiform erythroderma.

van Leersum FS^{1,2}, Seyger MMB³, Theunissen TEJ^{1,2}, Bongers EMHF⁴, Steijlen PM^{1,2}, van Geel M^{1,2,5}.



1. Identify a mosaic disorder: PATTERNS



2. Diagnose disorder: SKIN LESIONS & HISTOPATHOLOGY

Superimposed linear atopic dermatitis

Reference	Age, years	Sex	Location of segmental lesion	Arrangement	Concomitant relapsing AD	Age at onset of linear AD, years	Age at onset of generalized AD	Evolution	Atopic disease background
Taïeb et al ⁶	8	Female	Left arm from axilla to wrist	Linear, unilateral	+	7	6 mo	Improved after 6 wk	Eczema, house dust mite, cat and dog dander, allergy
Hadlik et al ⁷	36	Male	Left lower abdomen, leg, foot	Linear, unilateral	-	36	Childhood	Chronic, recurrent	Allergic rhinoconjunctivitis
Kawachi et al ⁸	65	Male	Left leg	Linear, unilateral	+	62	45 y	Chronic, recurrent	Chronic prurigo
Case 1	4	Female	Right leg	Linear, unilateral	+	4	6 mo	Unknown	Eczema
Case 2	2	Female	Right leg	Linear, unilateral	+	2	2 y	Improved after 4 wk	Eczema
Case 3	15	Male	Trunk; left arm, leg	Linear, unilateral	+	15	2 mo	Chronic, recurrent (followed for 1 y)	Asthma

Mosaic manifestation of polygenic diseases

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Simple segmental
mosaicism

Superimposed
(segmental) mosaicism

Superimposed linear atopic dermatitis

The n rule of genes

Germinal: n

Superimposed: n+1

Superimposed mosaicism on polygenic cutaneous diseases

- Acne vulgaris
- Atopic dermatitis
- Bullous pemphigoid
- Dermatomyositis
- Drug eruption
- Erythema multiforme
- Graft-versus-host disease
- Granuloma annulare
- Lichen planus
- Lichen nitidus
- Lichen striatus
- Discoid lupus erythematosus
- Subacute lupus erythematosus
- Systemic lupus erythematosus
- Morphea
- Pemphigus vulgaris
- Psoriasis
- Vitiligo

