



HSCT in a patient with hyper IgM syndrome - our recent experience -

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ONDŘEJ, 8 month old boy



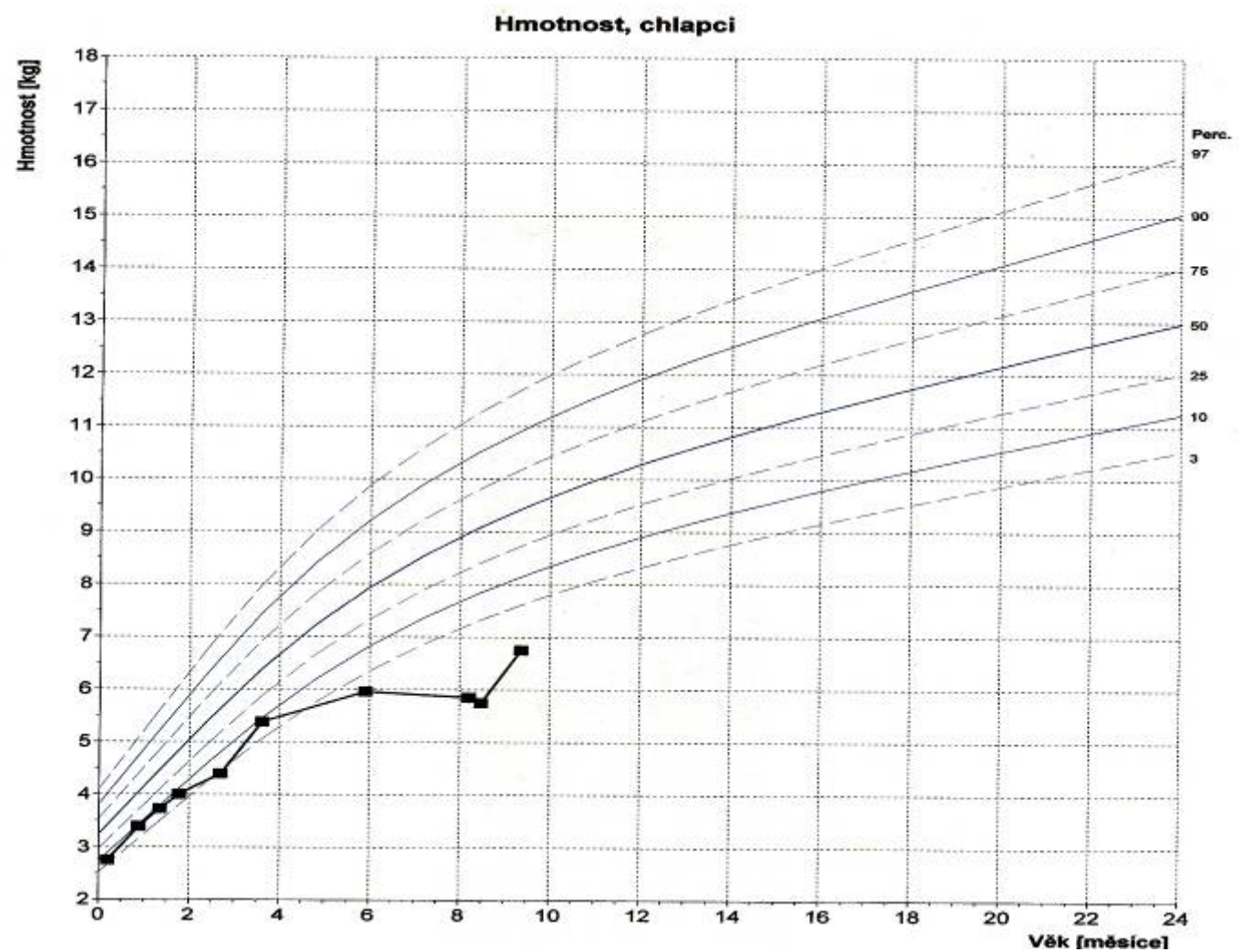
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Personal history

- vaccinated with BCG
- in **3 months lymphnode enlargement in armpit** → suppuration → puncture → healing
- in **4 months cough**
- **runny yellow-green stool** longterm
- since **2 month** of age **failure to thrive**

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Growth chart



Symptoms at diagnosis

- in **8 months** thrush in oral cavity
- afebrile, **weight loss** (↓ 200 g from check-up in 6 months), **tachypnoea**
- **sat. O₂ 80%**, **leukocytosis 37 x10⁹/l**,
Hgb 10,4 g/dl, trombocytosis 837x10⁹/l
- ↓ ESR, ↓ CRP



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Microbial investigation

- **PCR CMV** **blood + BAL +**
- **PCR *Pneumocystis carinii*** **blood + BAL +**
- PCR mycobacteria blood - BAL -
- test of stool on *Cryptosporidia* negative

Immunological investigation

↓	IgG	0,6	g/l	[NR 3.6-7.7]
↓	IgA	< 0.06	g/l	[NR 0.1-0.6]
↓	IgE	< 1	IU/ml	[NR 0-30.0]
↑	IgM	1,98	g/l	[NR 0.3-1.4]

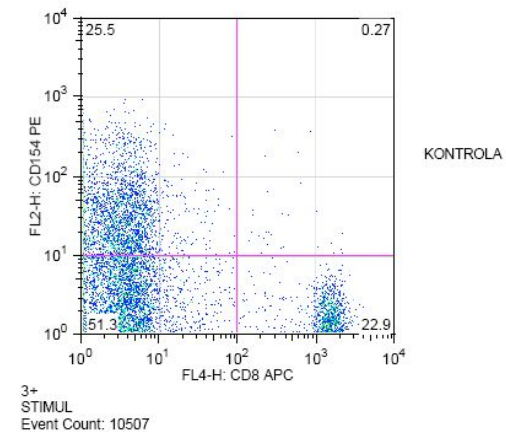
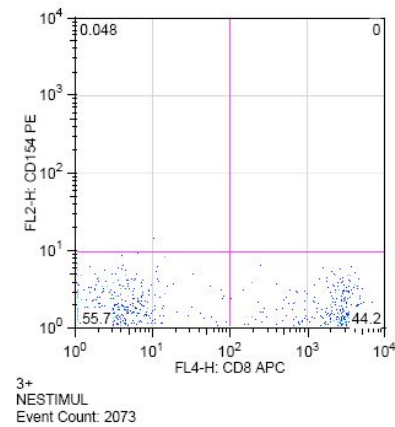
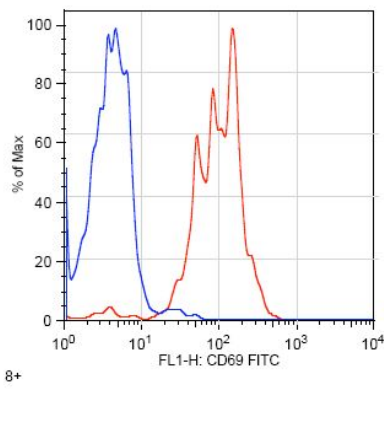
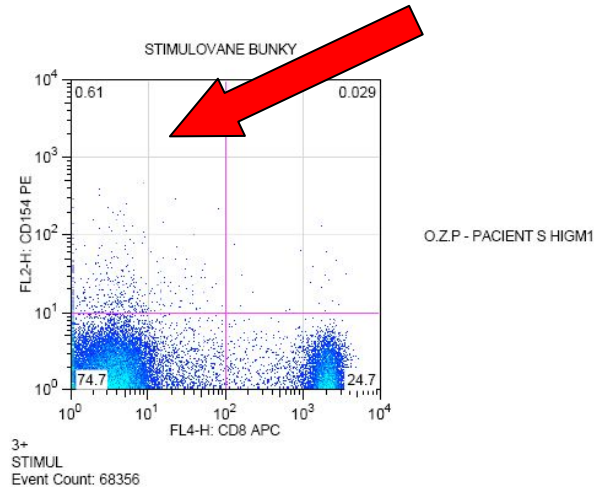
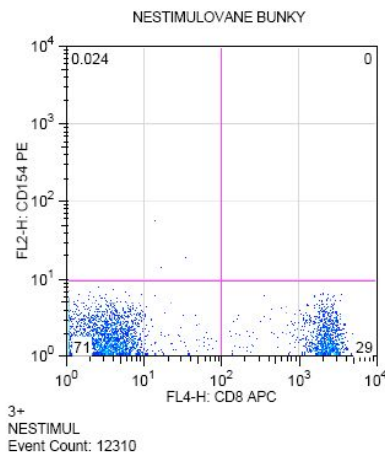
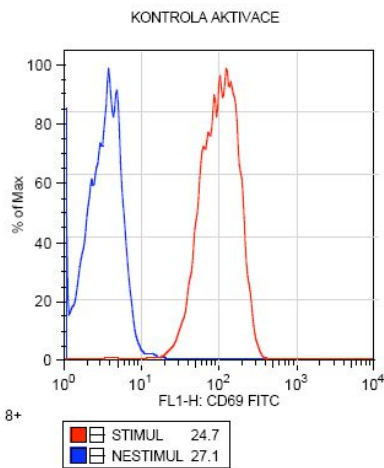
number of lymphocytes

functional tests

- (blastic transformation)
- (NBT)

} normal

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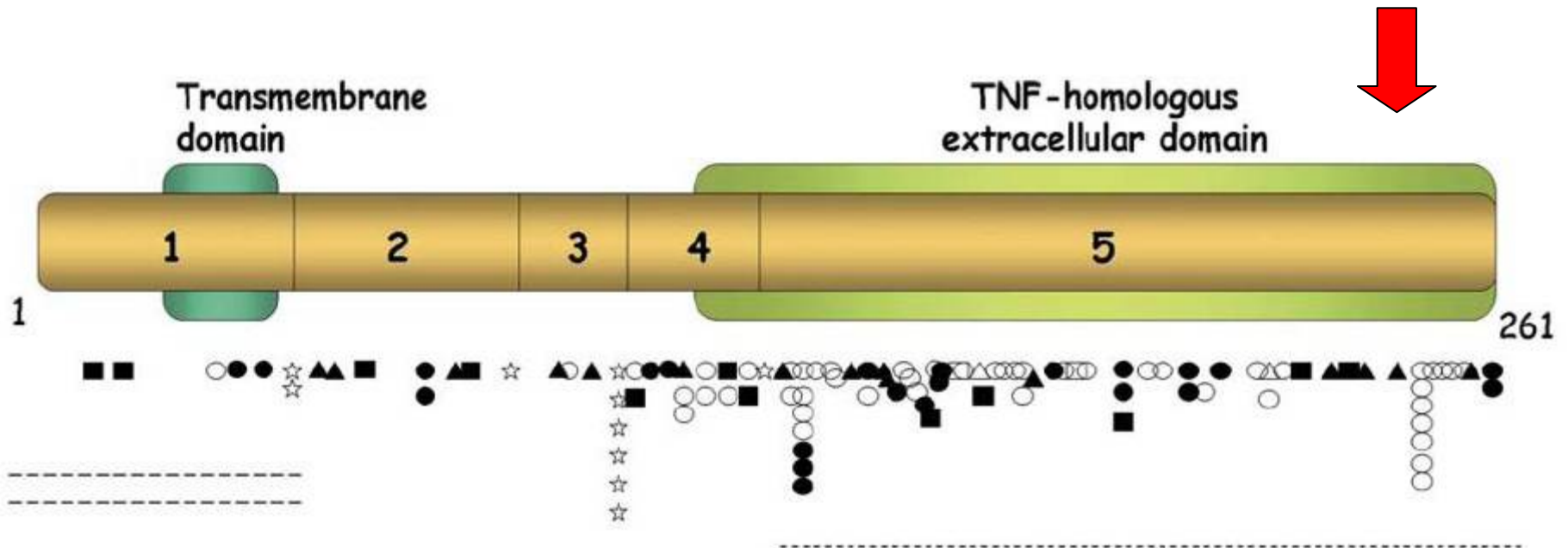
Molecular genetics

Xq26

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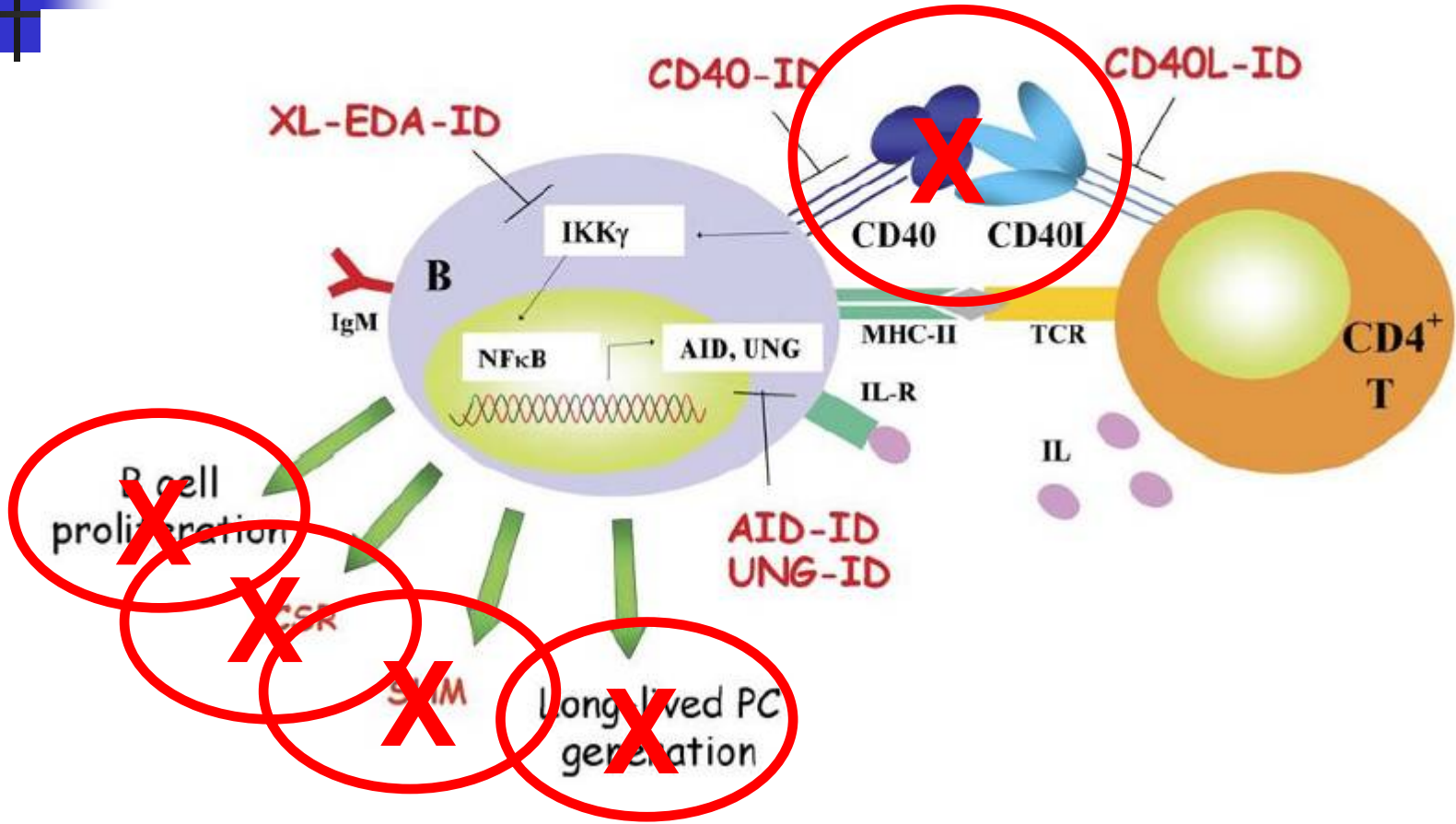
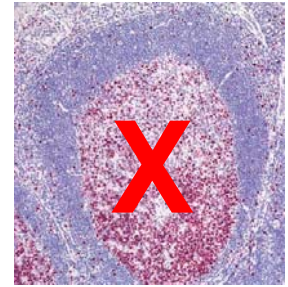
**Mutation in 5th exonu of CD40L gene
Aminoacid substitution Tre254Met**

(dr. Genevieve de Saint Basil, Neckar, Paříž)



Mother is carrier

Defects in HIGM





Clinical symptoms

- insufficient antibody production → **bacterial inf.**
- defect of cooperation T-DC → **opportunist, viral inf.**
- Defect in negative selection of autoreactive clones in thymus → **autoimmunity**
- antigenic stimulation (inf.) } → **tumours**
- inaccurate regulation }



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Treatment and prognosis

- regular IVIG substitution
- prevention of **pneumocystic** pneumonia: cotrimoxazol
- in case of neutropenia: G-CSF
- prevention of **cryptosporidial** infection: hygienic regime, use of boiled water
- in case of malabsorbtion: total parenteral nutrition
- sometimes liver transplantation needed
- **only 40 % of patients reach 25 years of age**
- **HSCT is curative**

Supportive therapy

- **trimetoprim** 20 mg/kg/day
- **ganciclovir** for 3 weeks
- **antimycotics** (fluconazol)
- **azitromycin** to prevent cryptosporidial infection
- **antiTBC drugs** (INH, RIF) to prevent BCG infection
- **IVIG** 0.5g/kg every 3-4 weeks
- **G-CFS** if ANC < 1000

- **indicated for allogeneic SCT from identical sibling**



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January 2007 – before SCT

- no signs of respiratory infection
- good oral intake, no diarrhea, but persistent failure to thrive (7,5 kg)
- no signs of cryptosporidial infection, normal hepatic function and ultrasound imaging
- Chest X-RAY - slight residual interstitial changes

Stem cell transplantation I

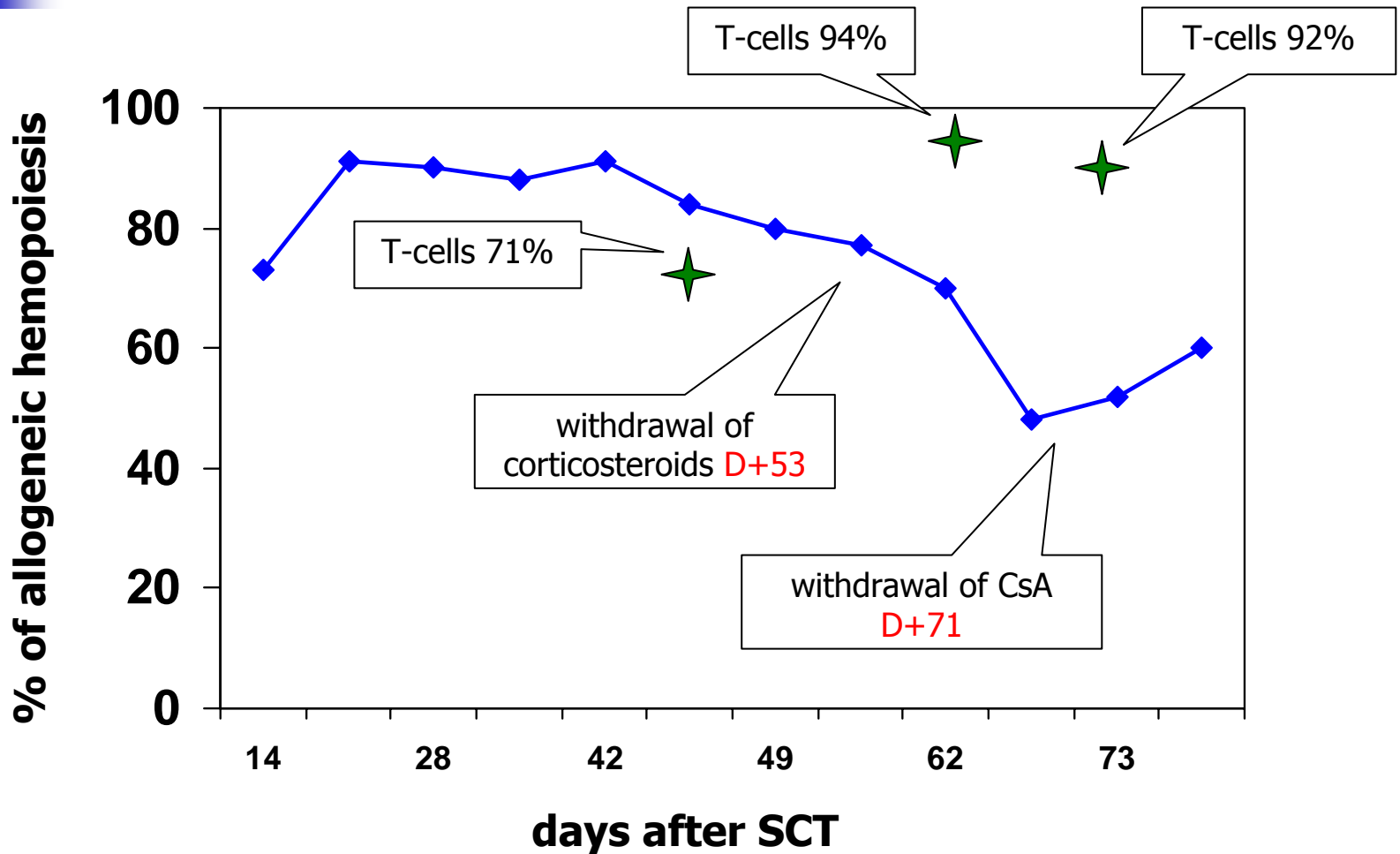
- **February 9, 2007** (aged 12,5 months)
- **Donor:** HLA identical sister (16 years)
- **Graft:** BM (NC $8,6 \times 10^8$ /kg, CD34+ $11,5 \times 10^6$ /kg)
- **Conditioning:** Busulfan (20mg/kg)
Cyclophosphamide (200mg/kg)
- **GVHD prophylaxis:** Cyclosporine A, Methotrexate

Stem cell transplantation II

- **Engraftment:** ANC D+21, Plt D+20
- **GVHD:** gr. II (skin 3, GIT 1) on D+28
therapy: corticosteroids 2mg/kg
- **Complications:** febrile neutropenia (D+11)
CMV infection (D+32) – GCV
- **Discharge from SCT unit:** D+ 80 (aged 15 months)

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Hemopoietic chimerism





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3 months after SCT

- without immunosuppressive treatment
- no GVHD
- no signs of infection

- **stable mixed chimerism**
(50-55% of allogeneic hematopoiesis in PB;
90-95% in T-lymphocytes)



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