



Global Metabolic Changes and Cellular Dysfunction in Diamide Challenged G6PD-Deficient Red Blood Cells

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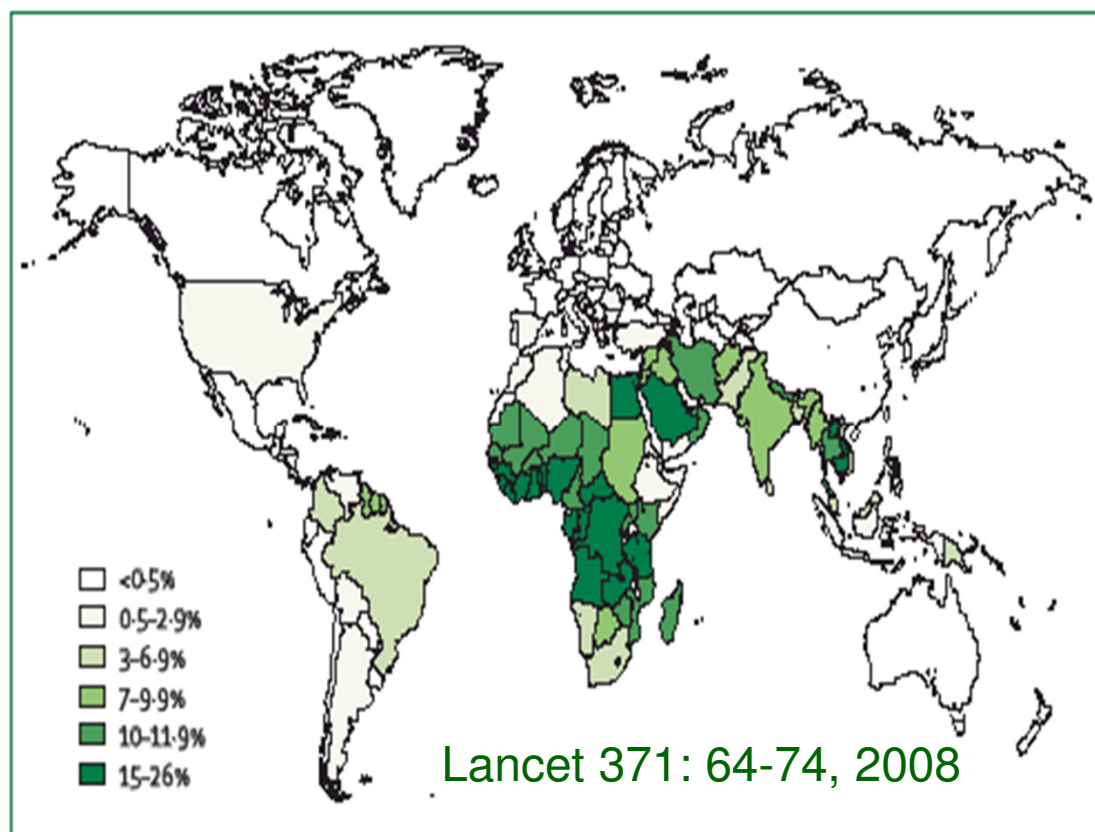
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G6PD deficiency (Also known as Favism)

- **Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase (G6PD)** deficiency, a most common enzyme deficiency affecting over 400 million people worldwide, causes a spectrum of diseases including, **acute and chronic hemolytic anemia, neonatal jaundice and etc.**



J Med Screen 19:103-104, 2012

G6PD deficiency in Taiwan:

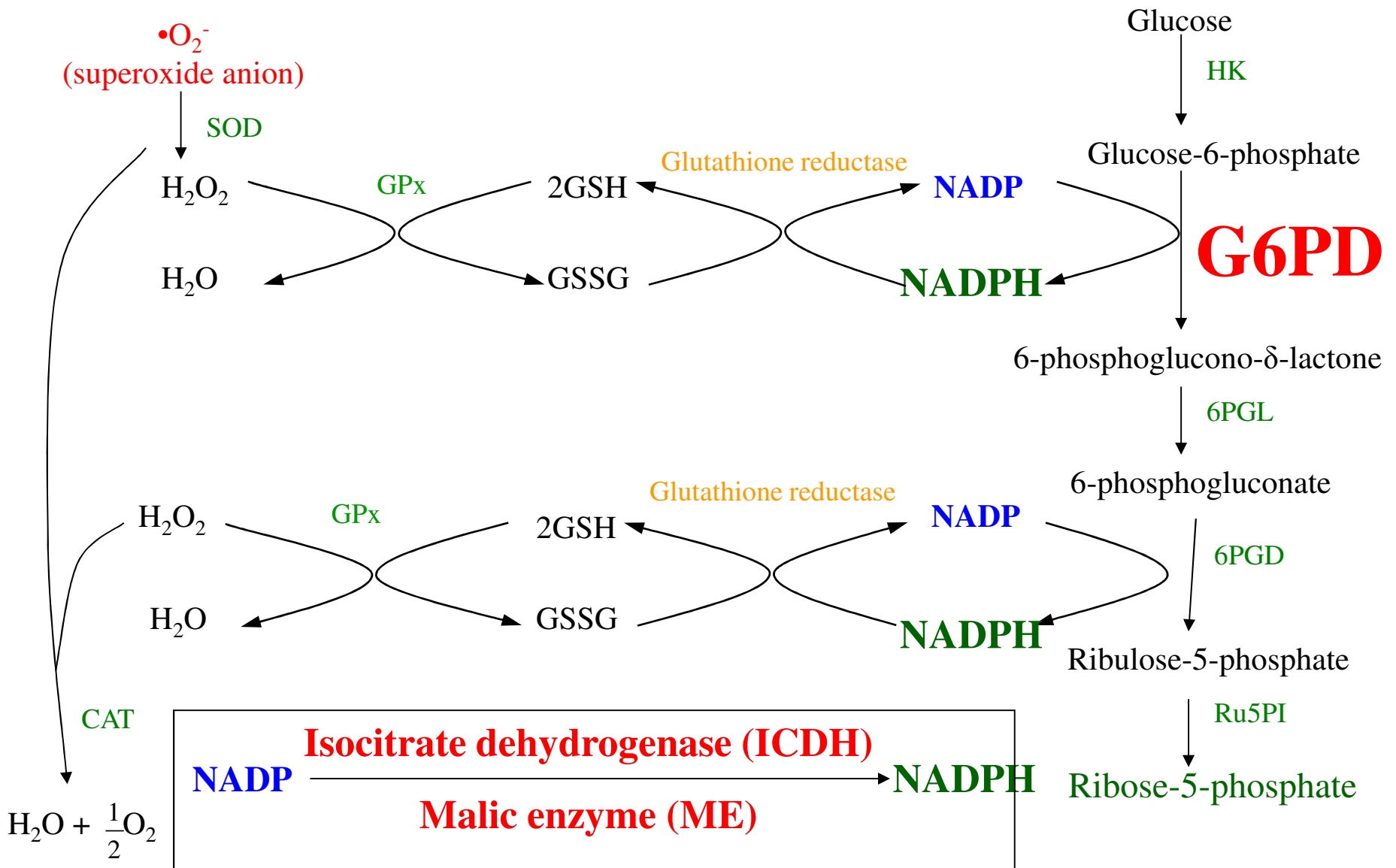
Male 3%

Female 0.9%

Redox Rep 12: 109-18, 2007

Free Rad Res 48: 1028-48, 2014

Biochemical and antioxidant roles of G6PD: to regenerate NADPH and Ribose





Our Previous findings related to NADPH/GSH metabolism in G6PD-deficient cells:

1. NADPH status modulates oxidant sensitivity in normal & G6PD-deficient erythrocytes

Scott MD et al. *Blood* 77: 2069-2064, 1991

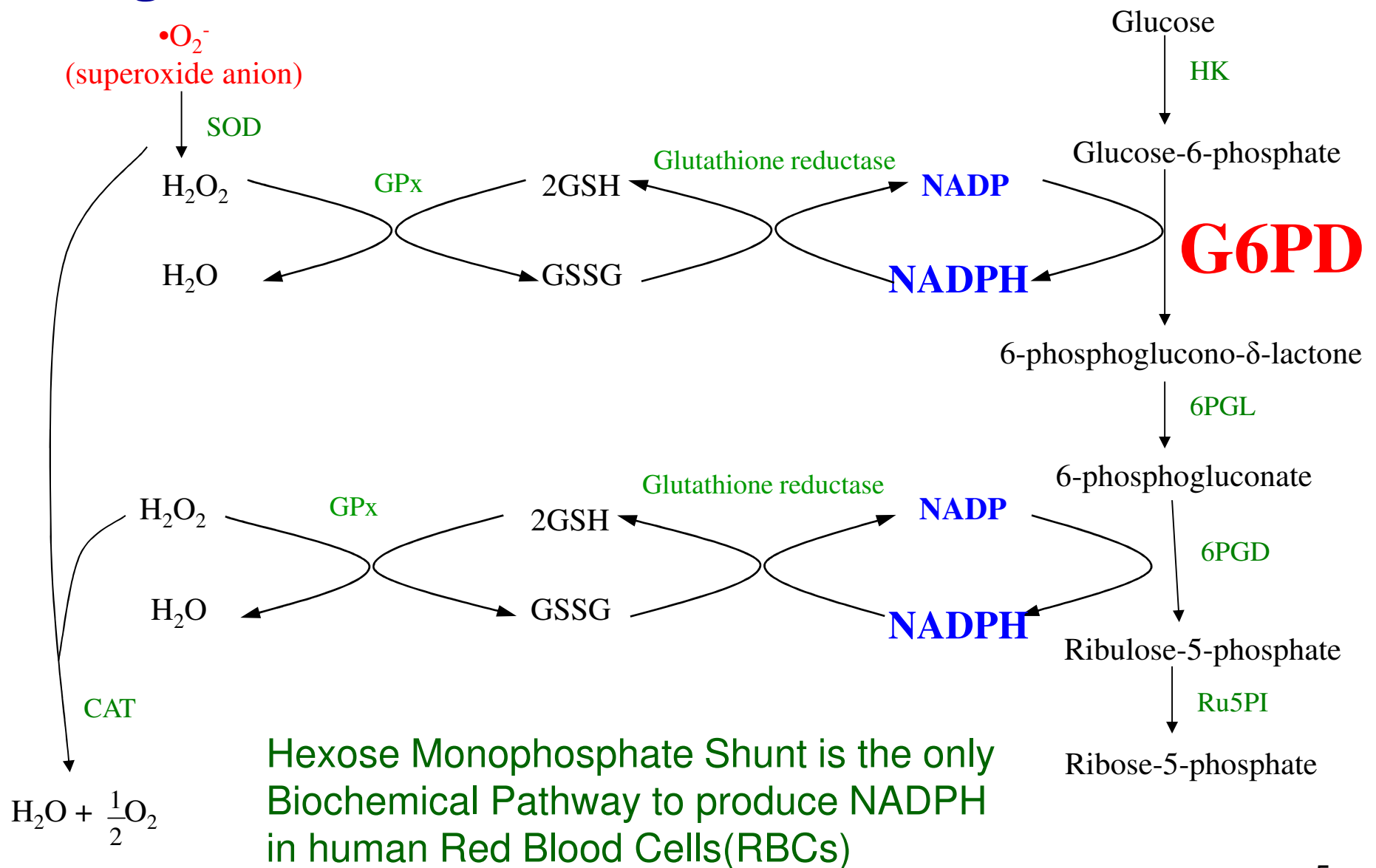
2. Ineffective GSH regeneration enhances G6PD-knockdown Hep G2 cell sensitivity to diamide-induced oxidative damage

Gao LP et al. *Free Rad Biol Med* 47: 529-535, 2009

3. Characterization of global metabolic responses of G6PD-deficient hepatoma cells to diamide-induced oxidative stress

Ho HY et al. *Free Rad Biol Med* 54: 71-84, 2013

Antioxidant role of G6PD in Human Red Cells: to regenerate NADPH

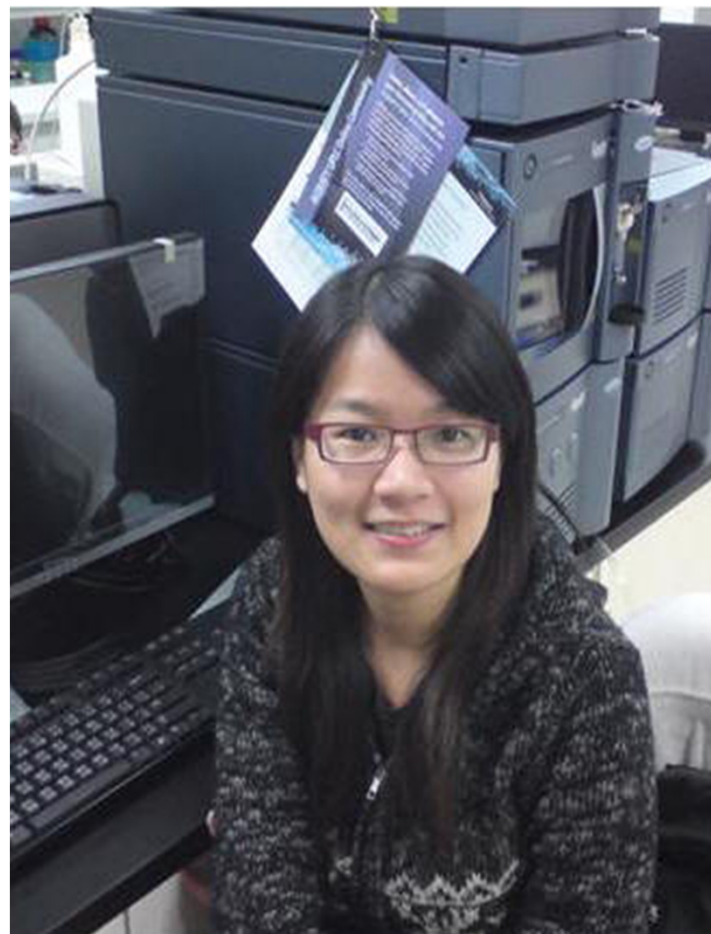




Metabonomic Profiles in Human Red Blood Cells from patients with G6PD Deficient upon Oxidant Challenge

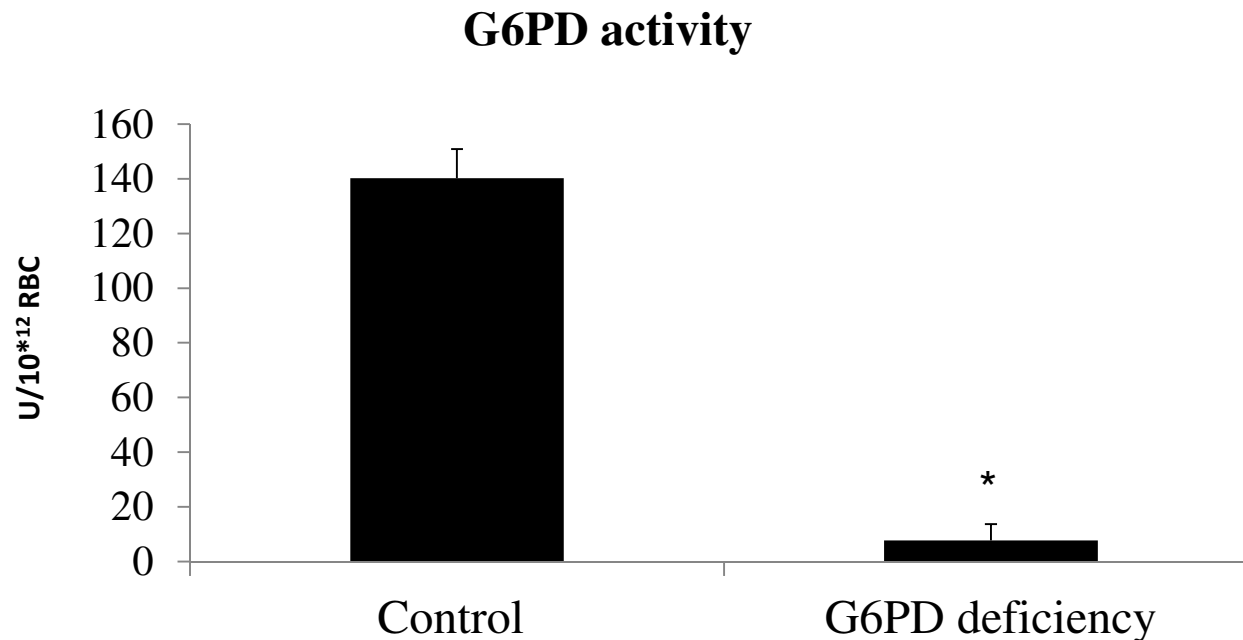
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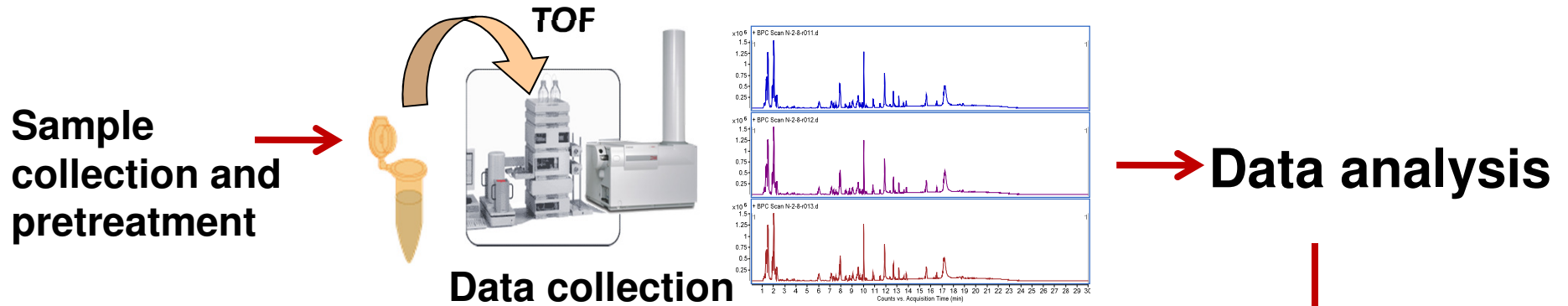


G6PD activity in normal and G6PD deficient whole blood

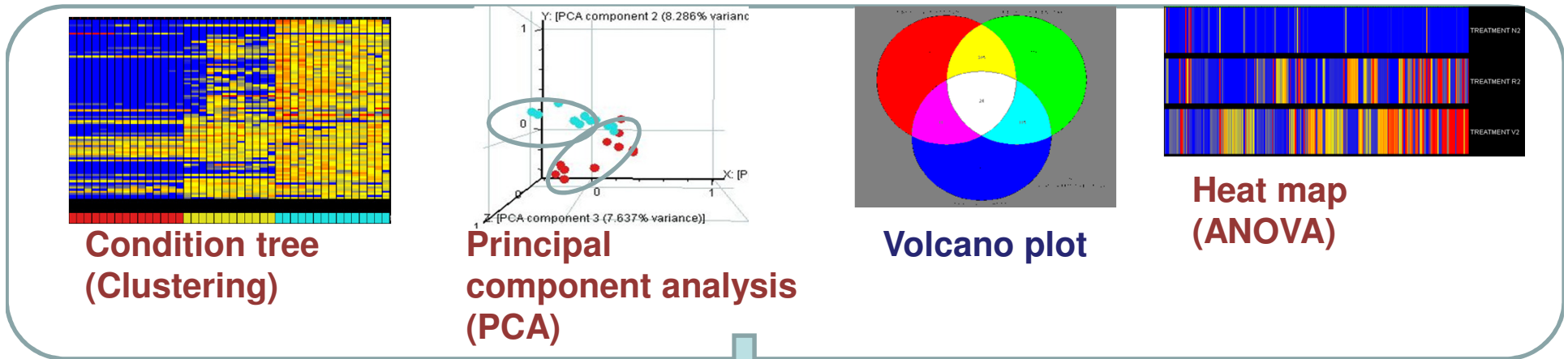


G6PD activity in G6PD deficient RBCs (n=11) and control RBCs (n=11). Data was shown as U/ 10¹² of RBC numbers. *P<0.05, patients vs control samples.

Typical workflow for MS-based metabolic profiling



Statistical analysis / Bioinformatics

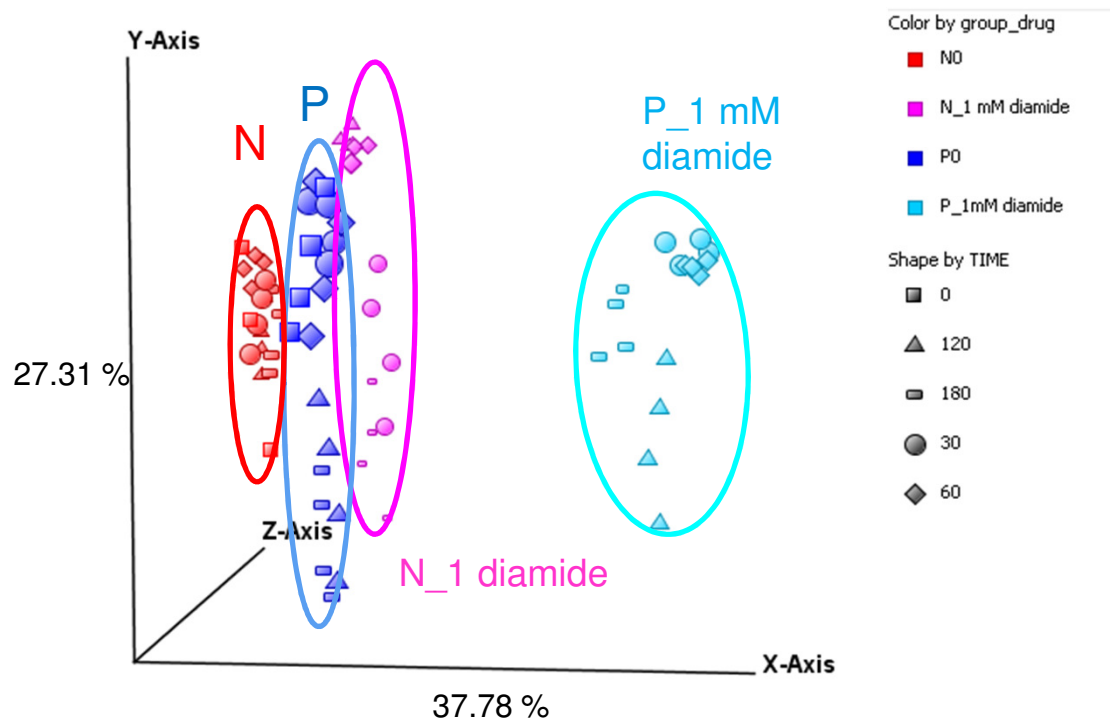


Metabolome: Metabolic pathways and interaction

Targeted Metabolite identification

Function and dysfunction

Principal component analysis (PCA) in G6PD deficient and control RBCs with or without diamide-treatment

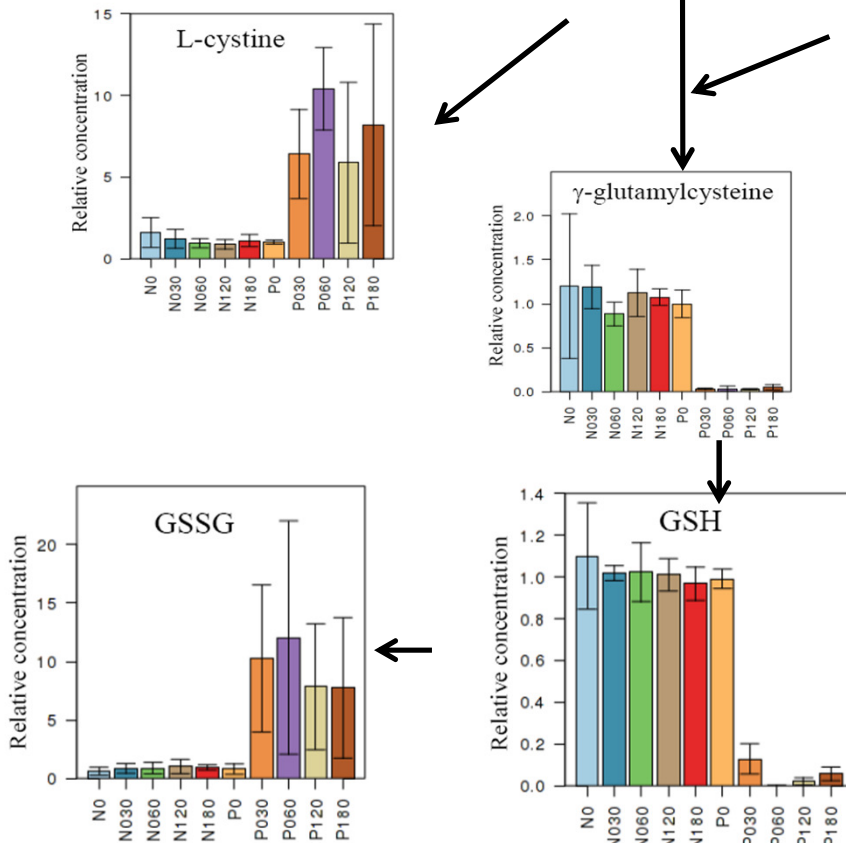


Principal component analysis (PCA) of metabolomes in control and G6PD deficient RBCs with or without diamide treatment. Both groups were un- or treated with 1mM of diamide for various time period. Features were acquired in ESI positive ion mode.

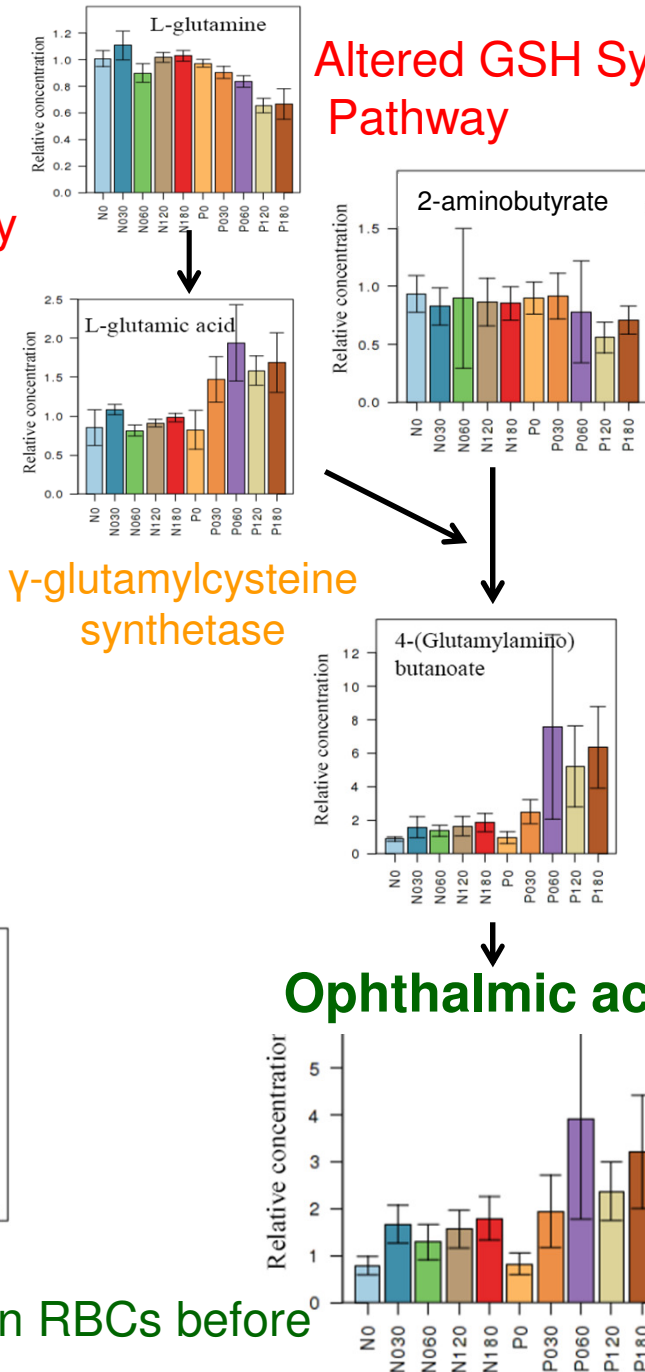
Altered glutathione metabolism in G6PD deficient RBCs leading to the formation of ophthalmic acid upon diamide treatment

Normal GSH Synthetic Pathway

Methionine Cycle → → → Cysteine



Altered GSH Synthetic Pathway

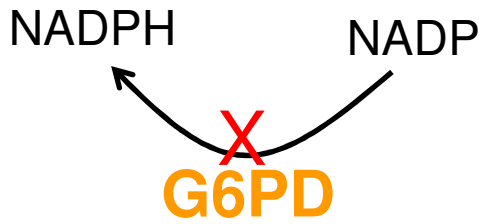
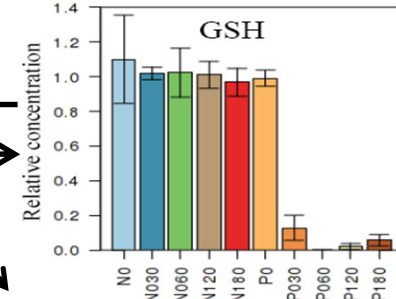
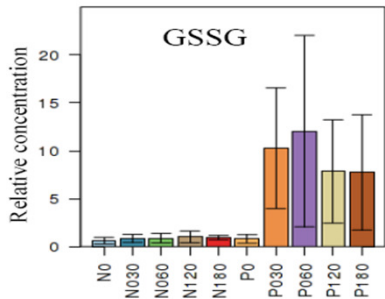
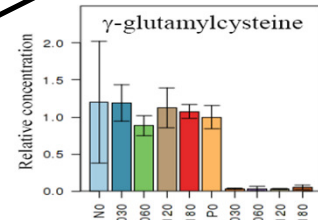
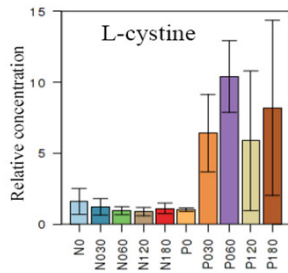


Ophthalmic acid has never been reported in human RBCs before

Such alterations are mainly due to the shunting from GSH regeneration via the glutathione reductase system to GSH synthesis via γ -glutamylcysteine synthetase

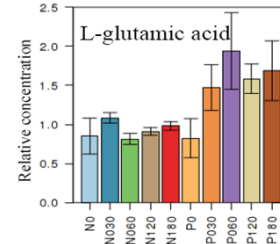
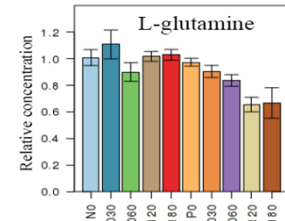
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Methionine Cycle \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow Cysteine

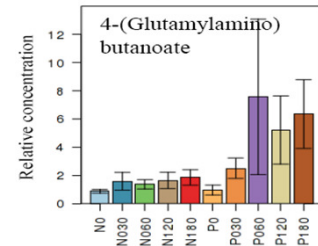
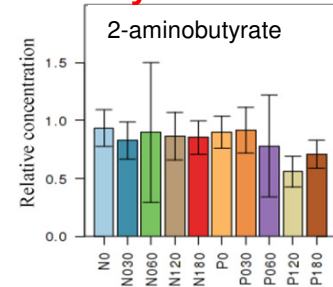


Shunting from GSH regeneration to synthesis

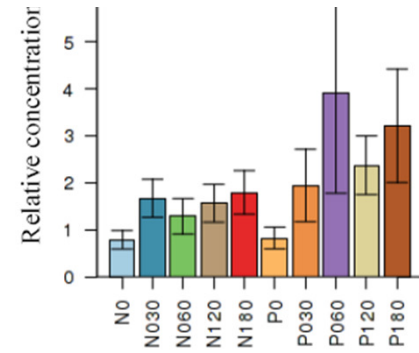
Altered GSH Synthetic Pathway



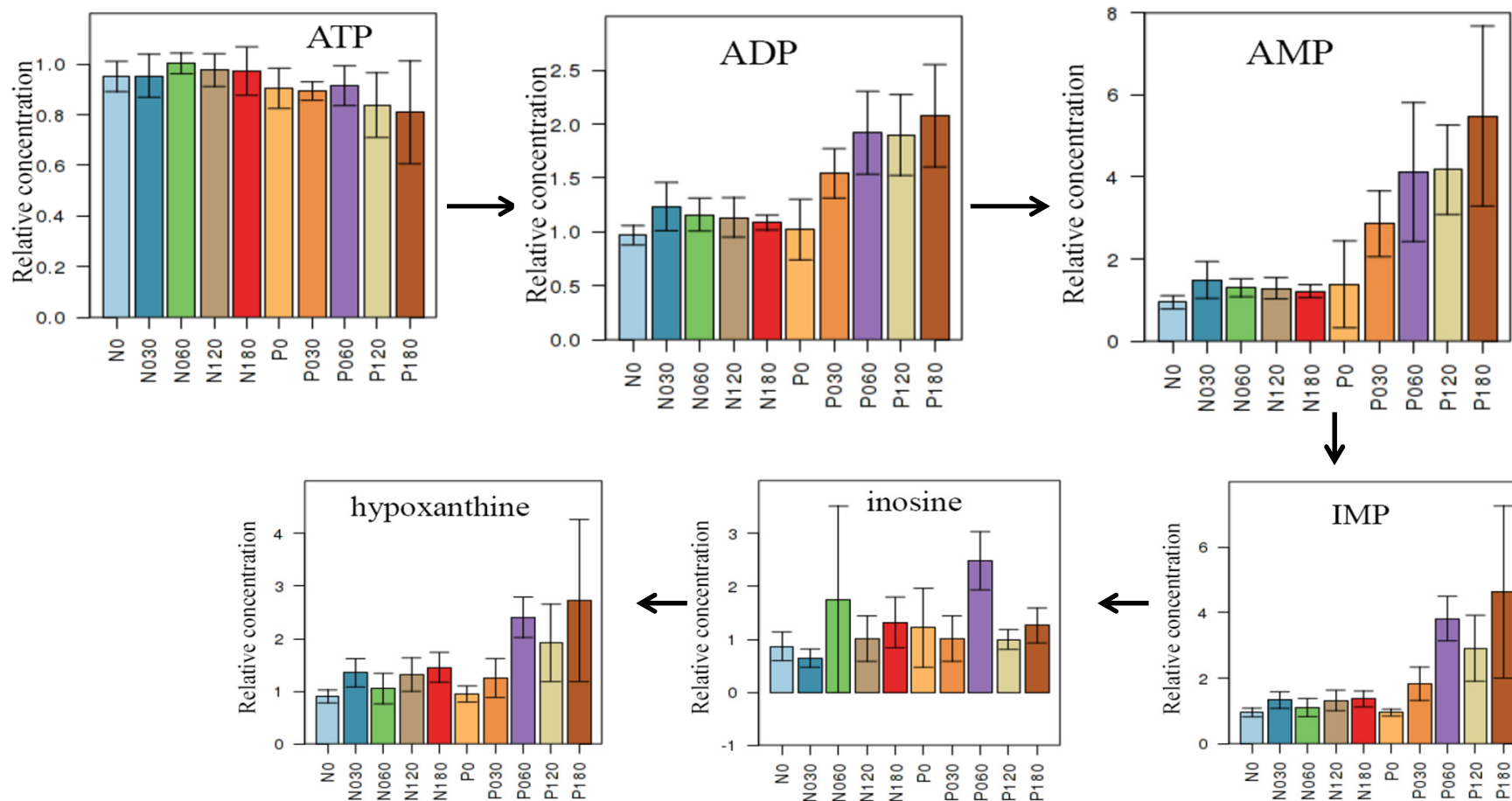
γ -glutamylcysteine synthetase



Ophthalmic acid



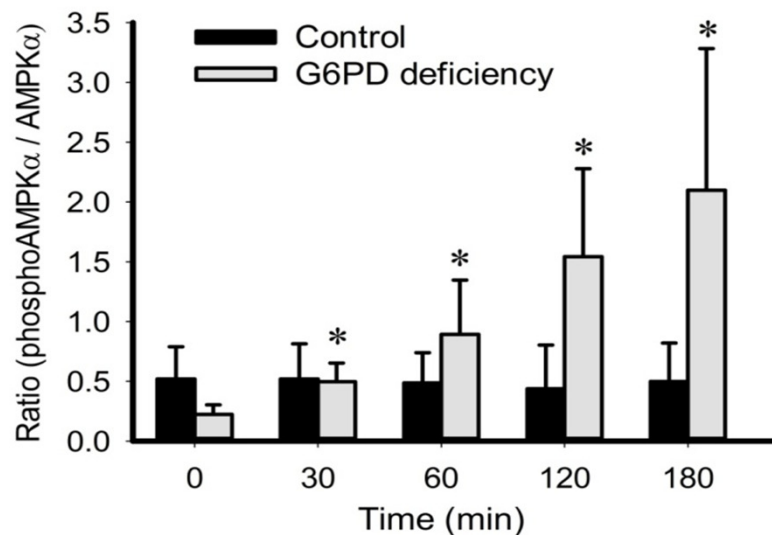
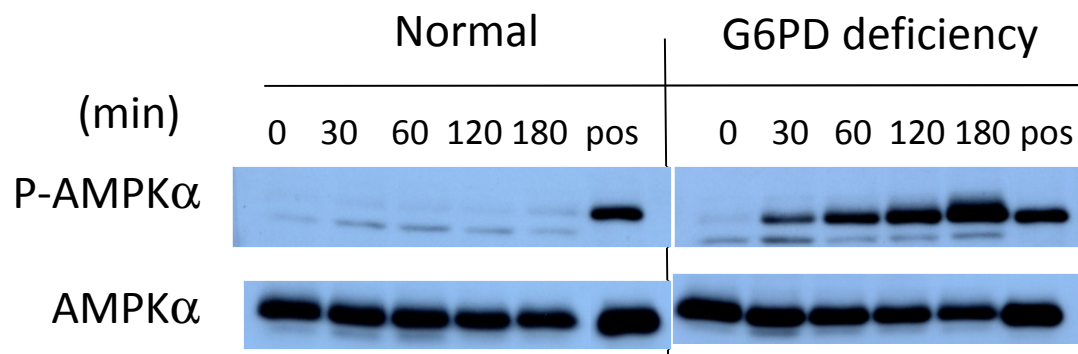
Shunting from GSH regeneration to GSH synthesis is accompanied by Exhaustive Energy Consumption in G6PD deficient RBCs upon diamide treatment



A dramatic increase in AMP level



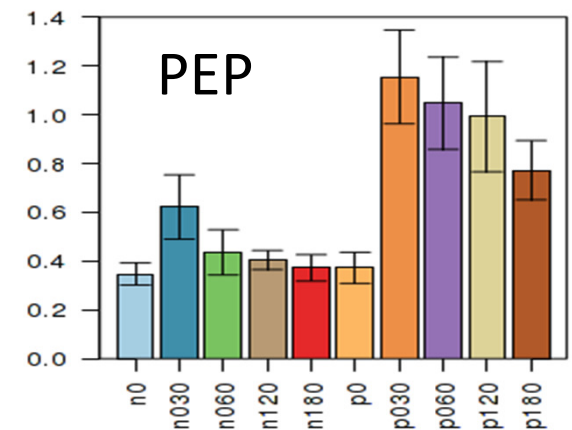
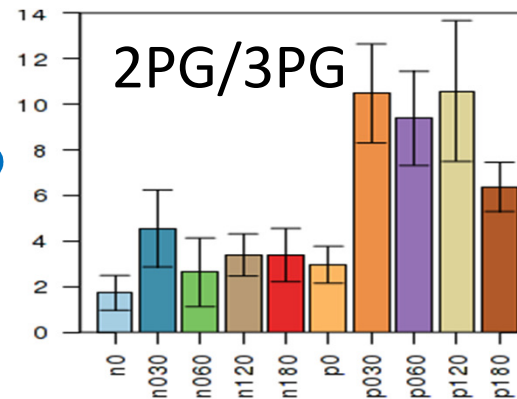
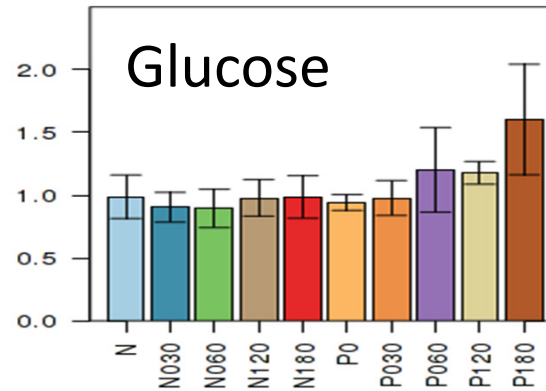
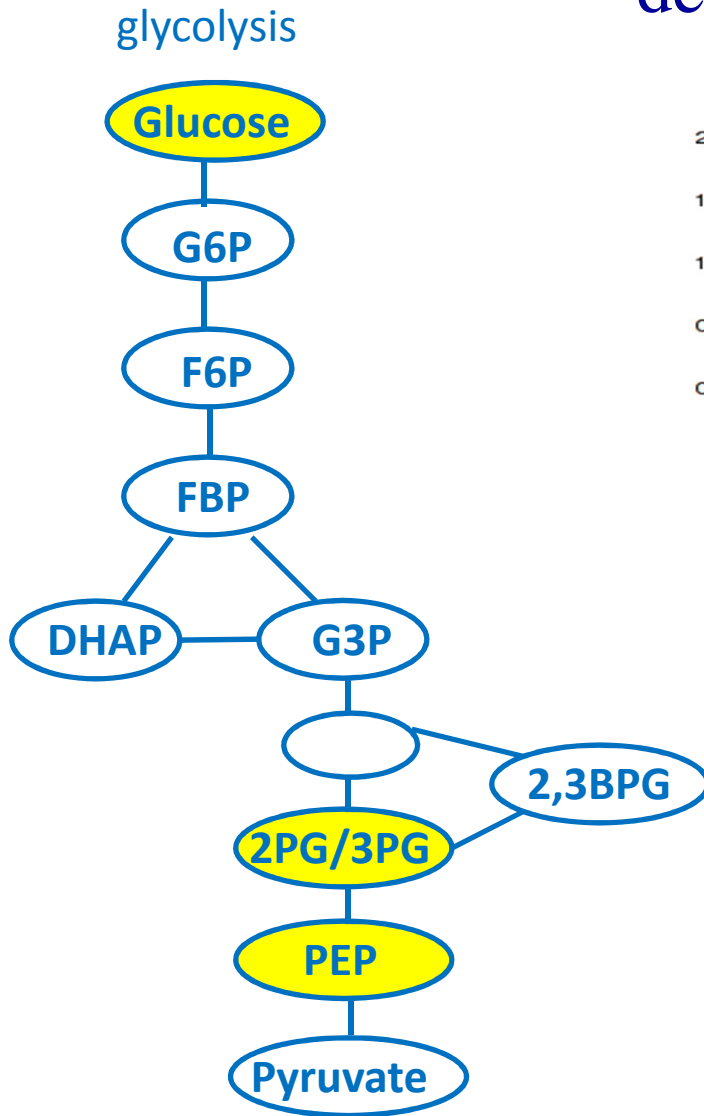
AMP accumulation due to exhaustive ATP consumption activates AMP protein kinase (AMPK)



Level of phospho AMPK alpha and total AMPK alpha protein in RBCs from normal and G6PD deficient. RBCs from normal and G6PD-deficient individuals were treated with 1 mM DIA for 0 min, 30 min, 60 min, 120 min, or 180 min, and detected by immunoblotting

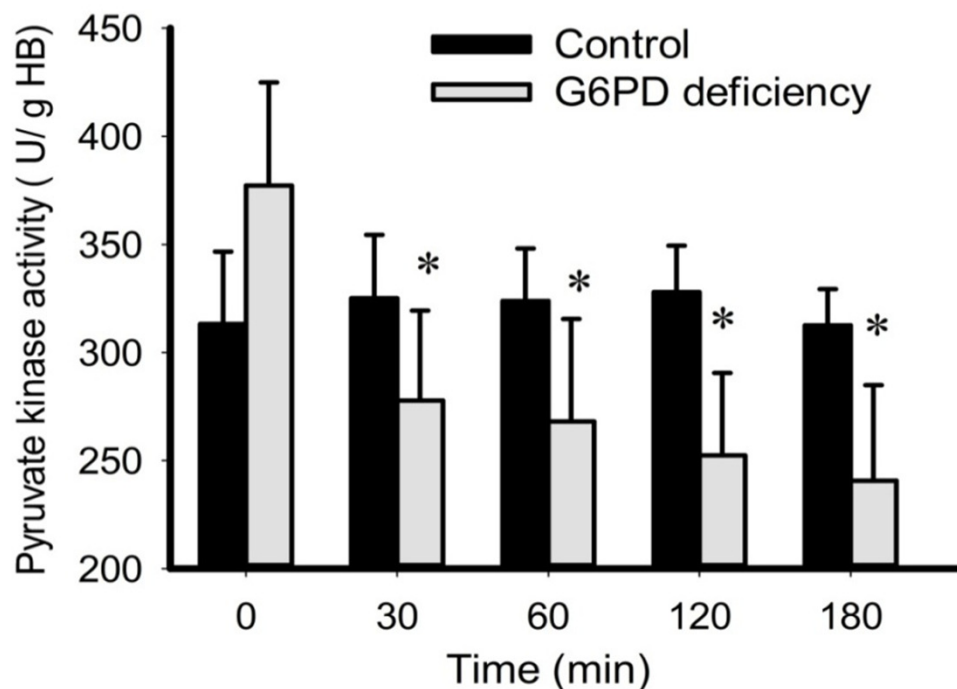


Diamide treatment enhances glycolytic activities in G6PD deficient RBCs





Pyruvate Kinase (PK) was blocked in G6PD-deficient RBCs upon diamide treatment

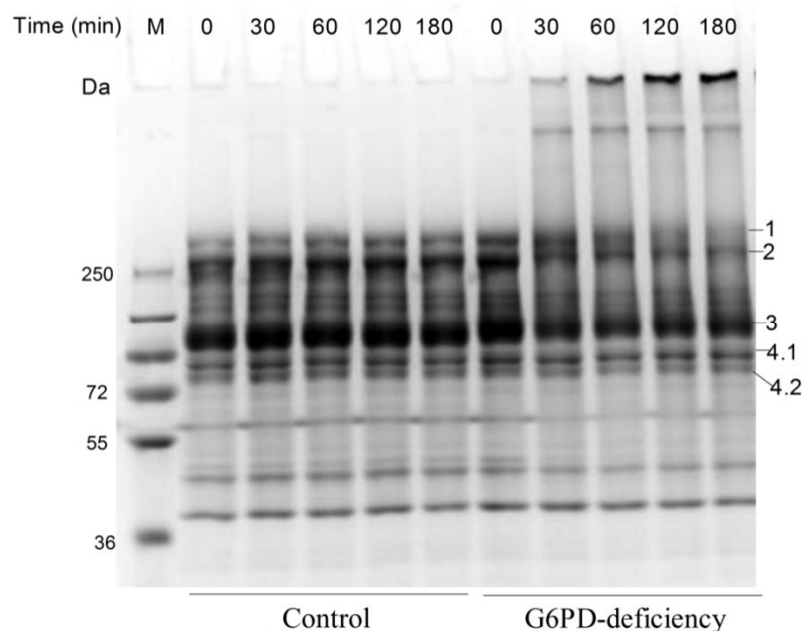


Control and G6PD deficient RBCs were treated with 1 mM diamide for various time periods. After lysing the cells, pyruvate kinase activity was assayed (mean \pm SD) and analyzed by Student's t test, n=4.

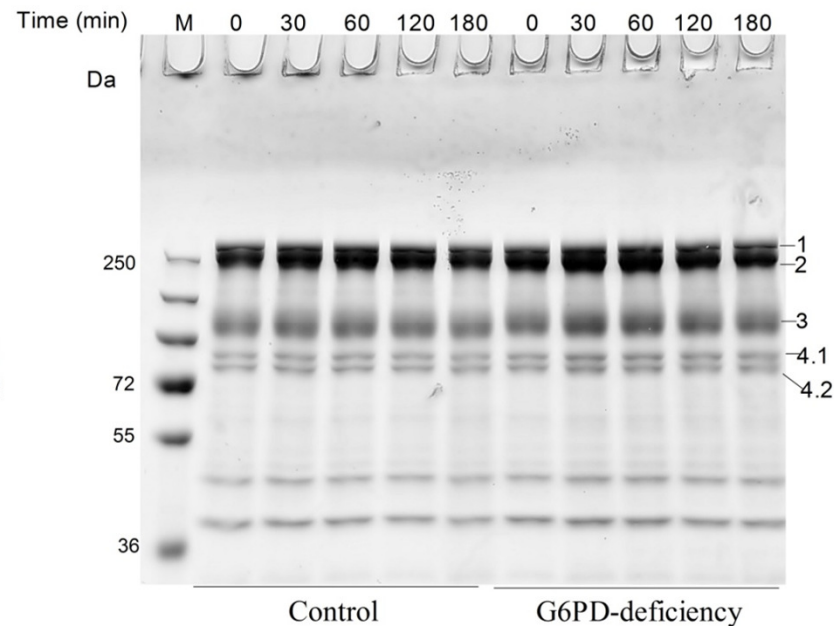
*indicates $p < 0.05$.



Linking metabolic alterations to functional abnormalities 1: Defective GSH metabolism with the appearance of high-molecular weight protein aggregates in G6PD deficient RBCs upon oxidant treatment



diamide

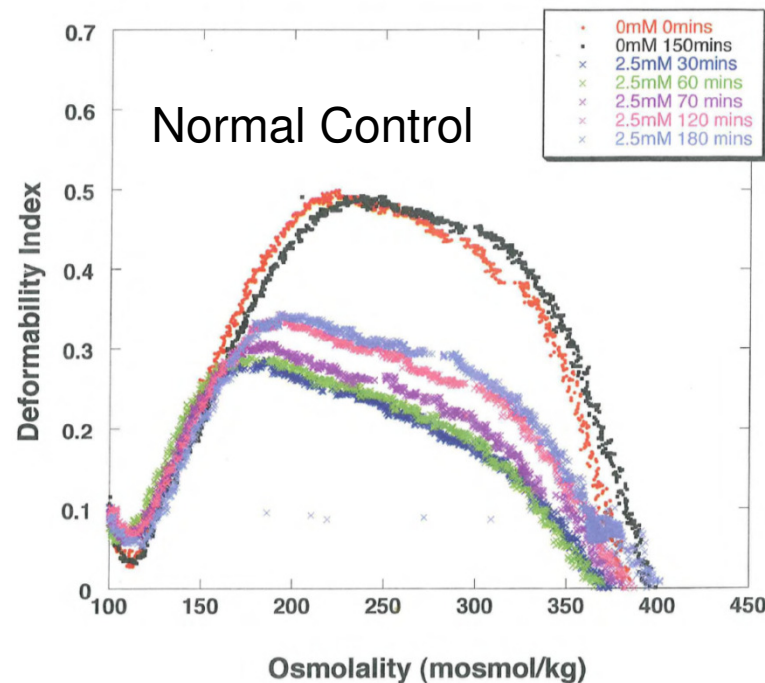


diamide + DTT

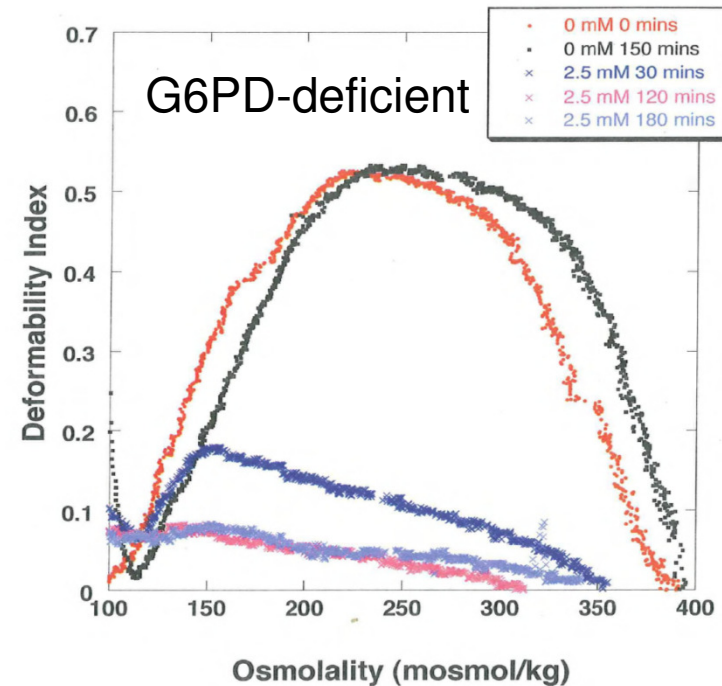
Modification of RBC proteins after 1 mM diamide treatment. SDS-PAGE analysis revealed that treatment with diamide (left panel) induced the appearance of high-molecular weight protein aggregates. The oxidized protein can be restored by DTT treatment (right panel)



Linking metabolic alterations to functional abnormalities 2: Dramatic and Irreversible decrease in deformability of G6PD-deficient RBCs upon oxidant treatment



A- Effect of Diamide on the deformability of normal RBCs.



B- Effect of Diamide on the deformability of G6PD-deficient RBCs.

Both GSH and ATP depletions can contribute to the dramatic reduction of deformability in G6PD-deficient RBCs leading to a rapid removal of these RBCs from circulation.



Summary & Conclusion from our metabonomic study

1. Diamide treatment induces major alterations in GSH related metabolites in G6PD deficient RBCs including the appearance of unusual metabolites such as ophthalmic acid which has never been reported in human RBCs before.
2. Such impairment in GSH related metabolism is mainly due to the shunting from GSH regeneration to GSH synthesis and is accompanied by exhaustive ATP consumption and enhanced glycolytic activities in G6PD deficient RBCs. Unfortunately, the last step in glycolysis catalyzed by pyruvate kinase(PK) to produce ATP is blocked in G6PD-deficient RBCs due to the inactivation of PK by diamide.
3. Changes in metabolic activities cause functional defects such as membrane protein aggregation and decreased in RBC deformability of G6PD-deficient RBCs and these new findings provide additional explanation concerning acute hemolytic anemia in G6PD-deficient patients upon encountering oxidative stress such as favism and infection.

In conclusion, this metabonomic study shows that G6PD-deficient RBCs desperately struggle to maintain redox homeostasis upon oxidant challenge to avoid cell death but without success.

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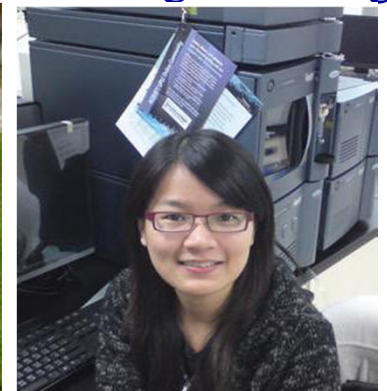
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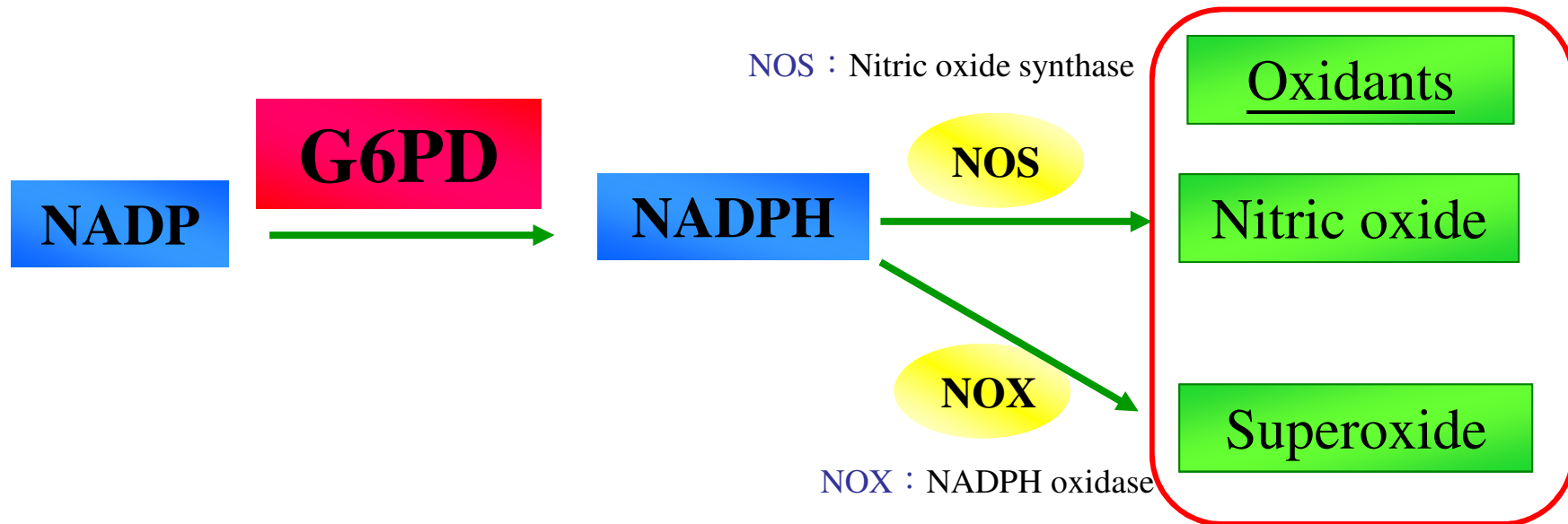


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Pro-oxidant role of G6PD :

Provides substrate to generate free radicals



Sample	Nitrite production	
	LPS (5 µg/ml)	
Normal (n=4)	252 ± 135	(% of resting cells)
G6PD-deficient (n=3)	70 ± 26	

The results are shown as mean ± S.D.

Decreased NO & Superoxide production **FEBS Lett . 436:411-4, 1998**

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Effective Neutrophil Extra-cellular Trap Formation **Free Rad Res 47:699-709, 2013**



G6PD deficiency-induced cellular abnormalities & related clinical problems (beyond RBCs)

G6PD Deficiency (Redox Report 12: 109, 2007; Free Rad Res 48: 1028, 2014)

Decreased NO & Superoxide production

FEBS Letters 436:411-414, 1998

But Effective Neutrophil Extracellular Trap Formation
Free Rad Res 47:699, 2013

Decreased NADPH Production

Redox Imbalance

Increased susceptibility to:
1. Corona Virus infection.

J Infect Dis. 197:812-6, 2008

2. Enterovirus infection .

J Gen. Virol.89:2080-9, 2008

3. Protection by EGCG

J Agr Food Chem 57:6140-7, 2009

Accelerated Senescence

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Retarded Cell Growth

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Increased susceptibility to certain diseases

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