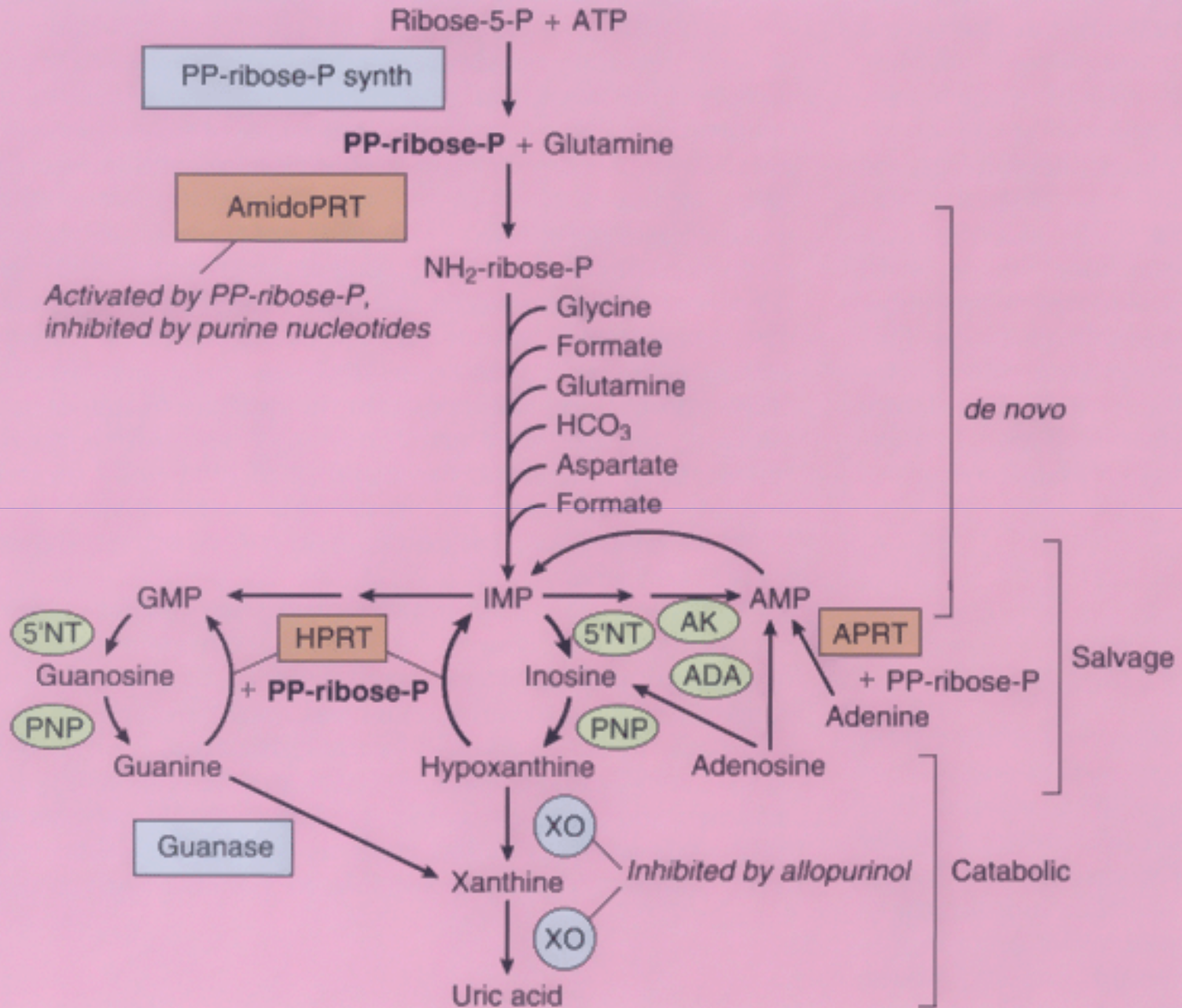


# Diagnostic approach to hereditary renal hypouricemia

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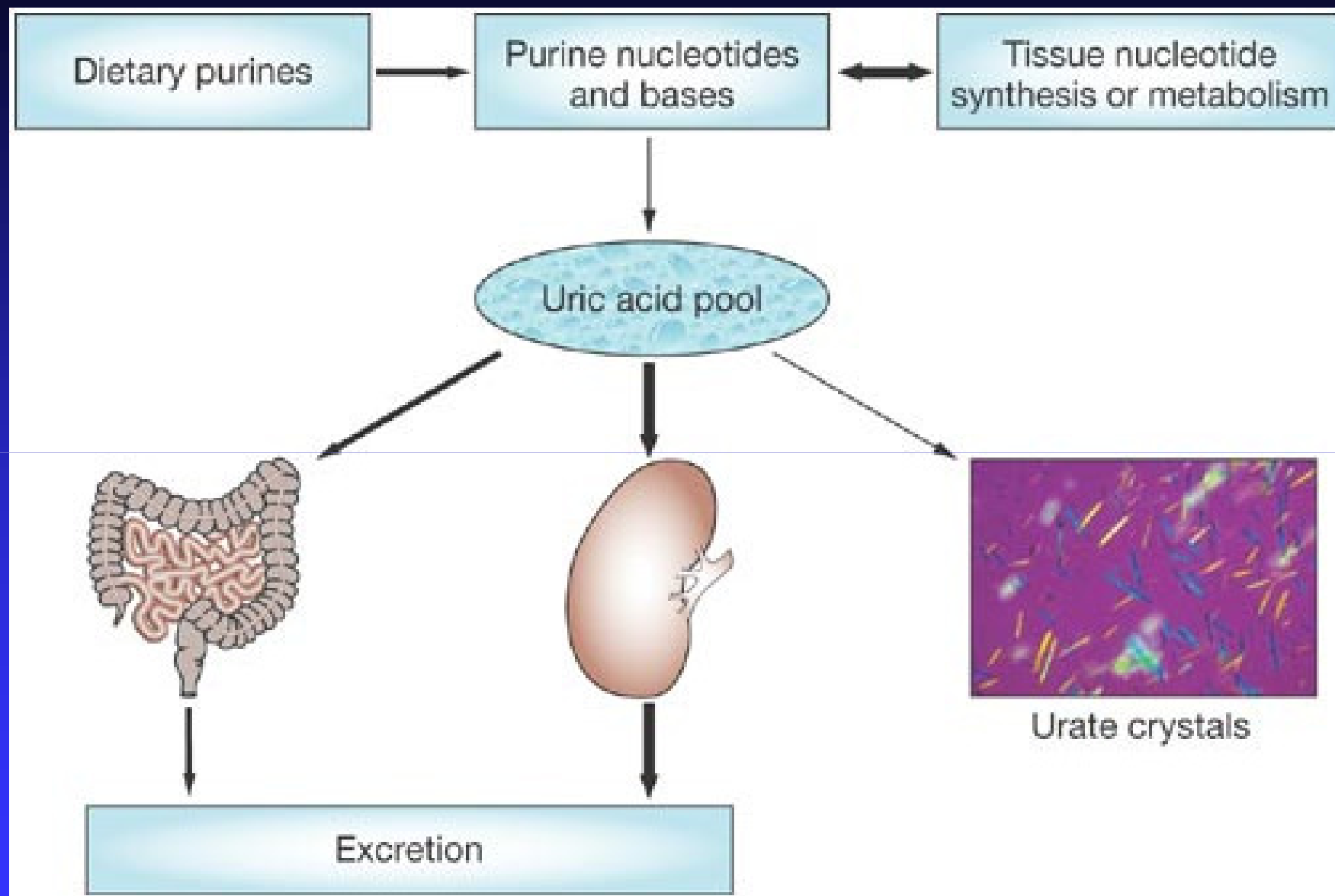
## **Introduction – hypouricemia**

- hereditary renal hypouricemia
  - hereditary xanthinuria

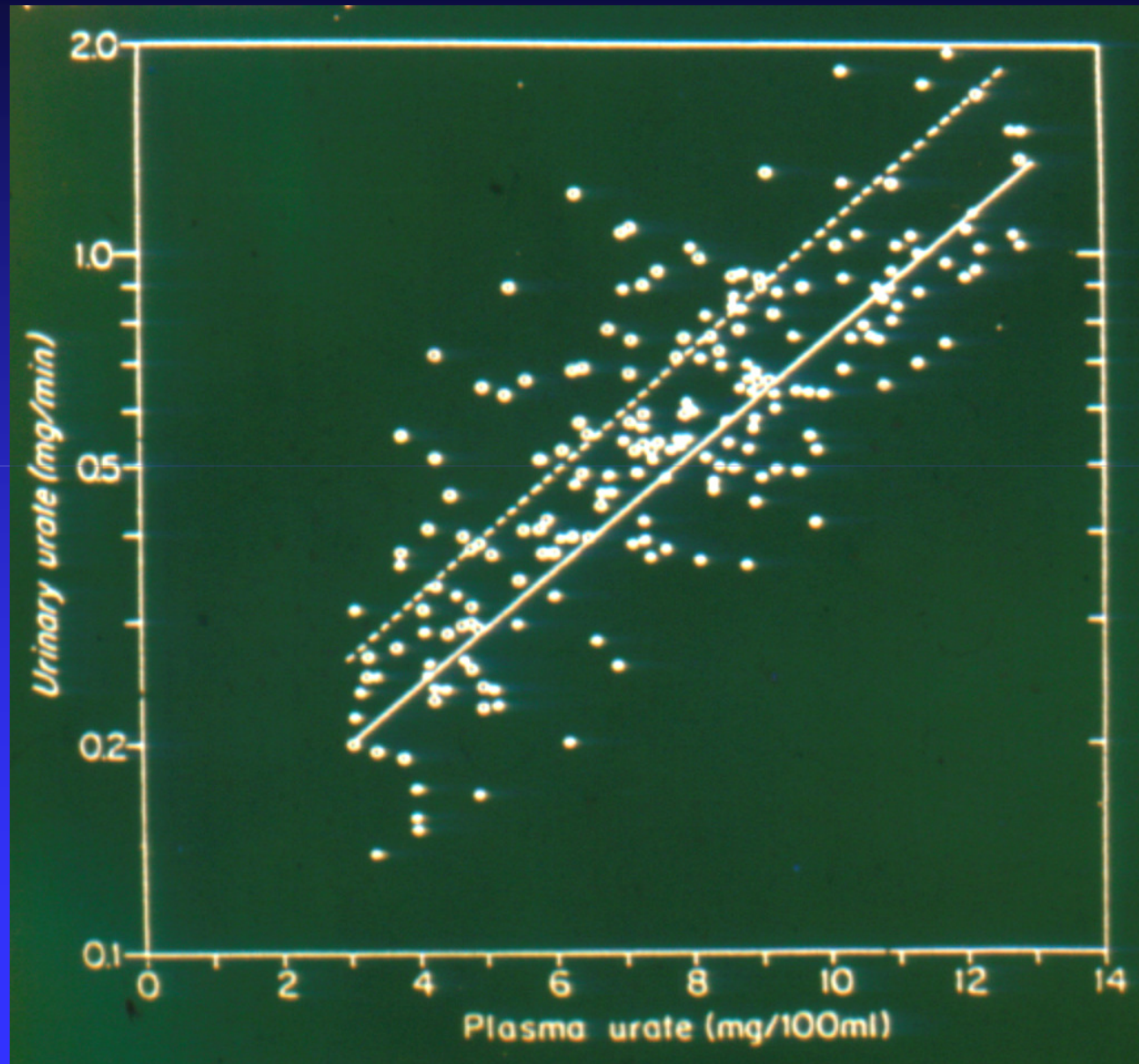
## **Characteristics of Czech patients**

## **Problems of diagnosis**

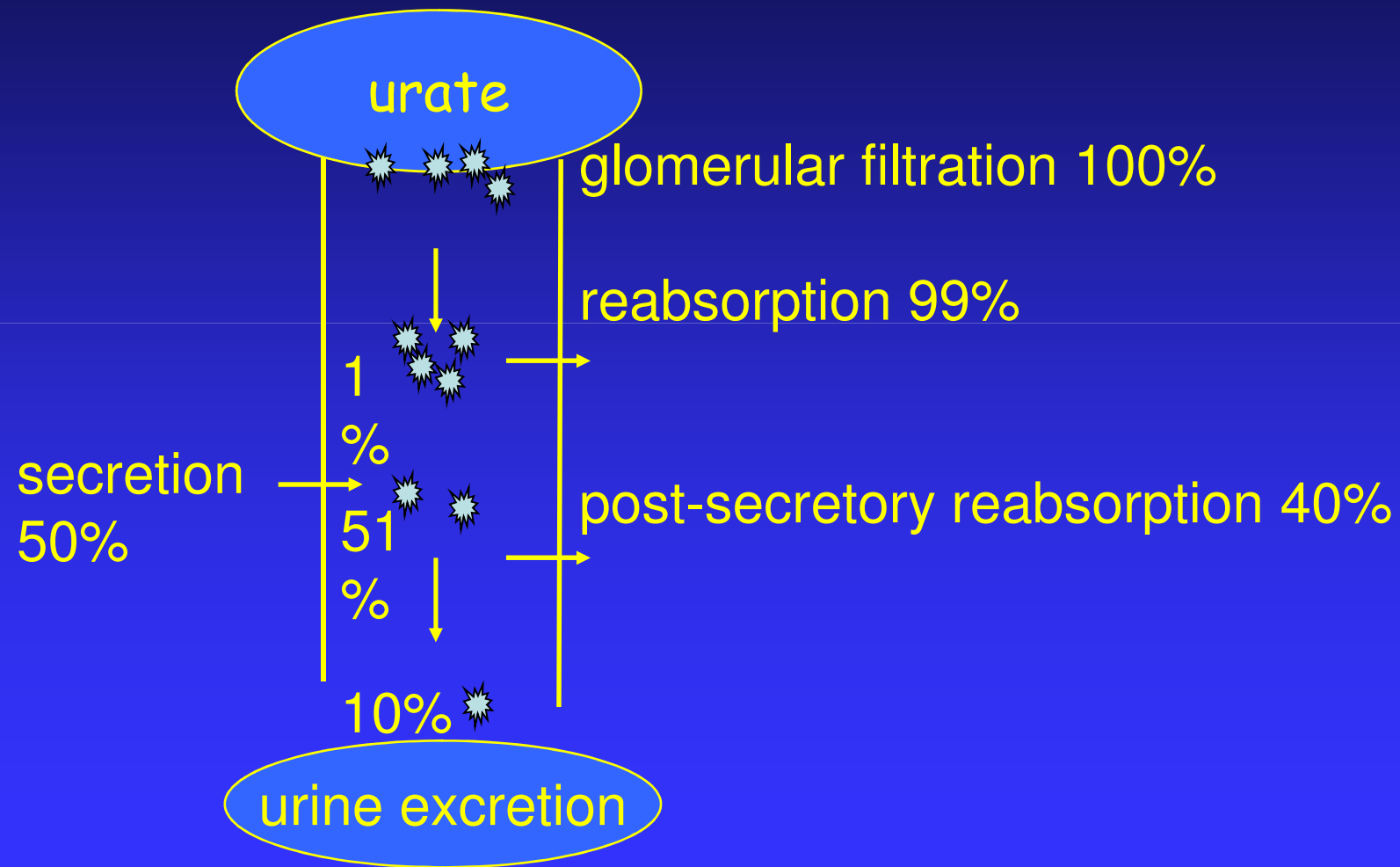
- incidence
- dg. flow charts



# Hypoexcretion of urate



# 4-component model of urate handling

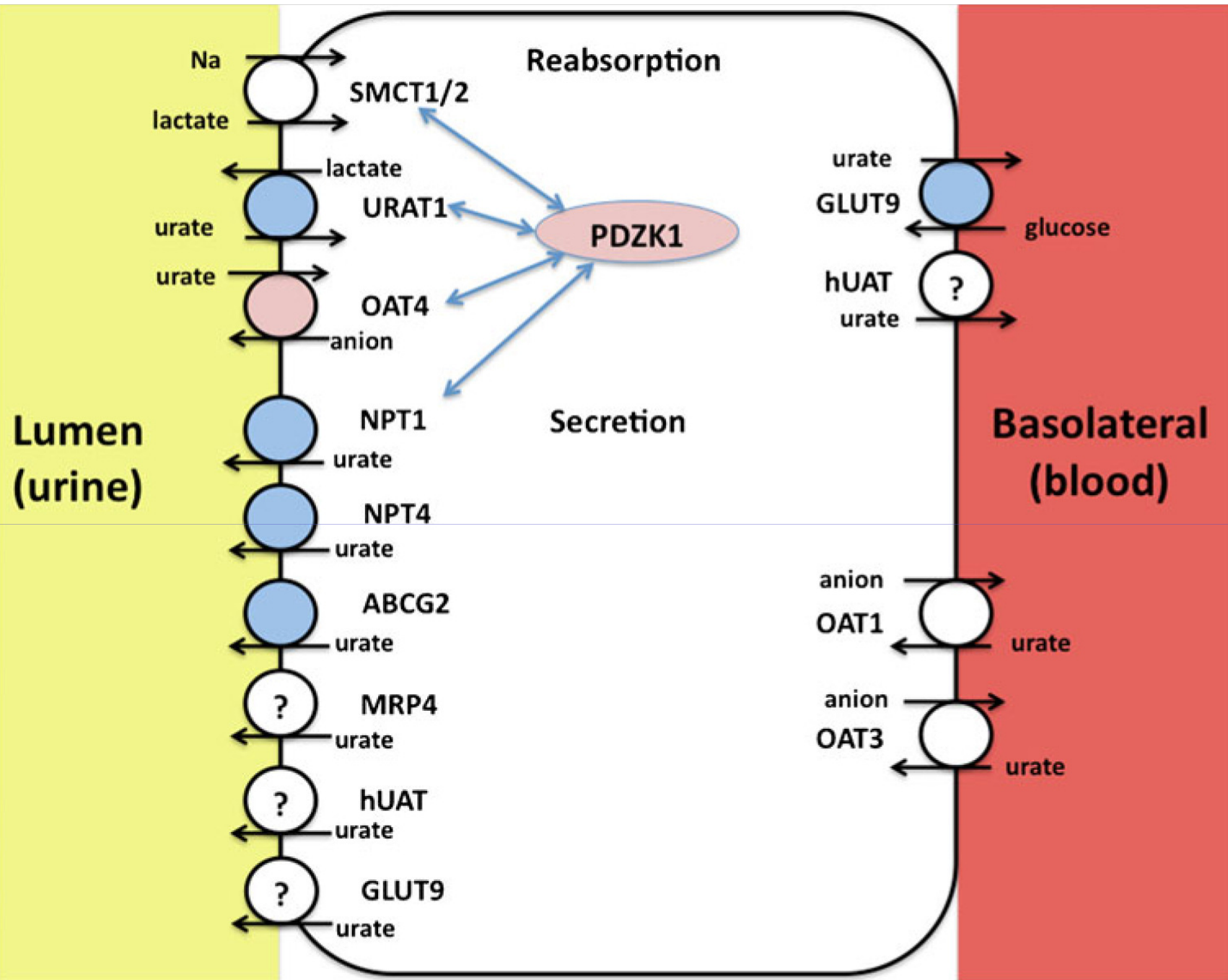


- *Enomoto, A., et al., Molecular identification of a renal urate anion exchanger that regulates blood urate levels. Nature, 2002. 417(6887): p. 447-52.*

## **Urate transporter**

### **URAT 1- gene *SLC22A12***

- OMIM 607096, GeneID 116085
- 11q13, 2 transcript variants (3206 and 2940 bp)553 amino acids
- expressed in fetal and adult kidney





## Hypouricemia

< 119  $\mu\text{mol/l}$  (2 mg/dL)

it is important to distinguish :

### primary

genetic defect - hereditary xanthinuria

transport defect - primary renal hypouricemia  
(RHUC1, RHUC2)

### secondary

increased renal secretion (Fanconi sy., Wilson's disease)  
medication (allopurinol, salicylates )

severe liver disease

thyrotoxicosis, diabetes mellitus, acute respiratory sy.

# Hereditary xanthinuria

xanthine oxidoreductase ( XO) deficiency      type I

XO def. + aldehyde oxidase deficiency      type II

molybdenum cofactor def. “ “ + sulfite oxidase def.

**dg.markers:**      hypouricemia

high urinary concentration of xanthine

**symptoms:**      cca 50% patients - hematuria,renal colic acute renal failure,  
crystalluria,urolithiasis

**th:** low purine diet,high fluid intake  
(alkalization of urine is of no value)

# Hereditary renal hypouricemia

- new transport defect of uric acid
- biochemical markers
  - hypouricemia ( $S_{KM} < 120 \mu\text{mol/l}$ )
  - increased excretion fraction of uric acid ( $EF_{KM} > 10\%$ )
- clinical features
  - urolithiasis
  - acute renal failure (exercise-induced)

RHUC 1 - URAT1 (*SLC22A12* gene)

RHUC 2 - GLUT 9 (*SLC2A9* gene)

# Hereditary renal hypouricemia

mutation - gene SLC22A12  
W258X- prevalent mutation



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( patients with HPRT def., FJHN, APRT def, ASL def.,  
ADA def.)

Are disorders with hypouricemia also  
in the Czech population ?

# Investigation of unexplained hypouricemia

*exclusion of secondary causes of hypouricemia !*

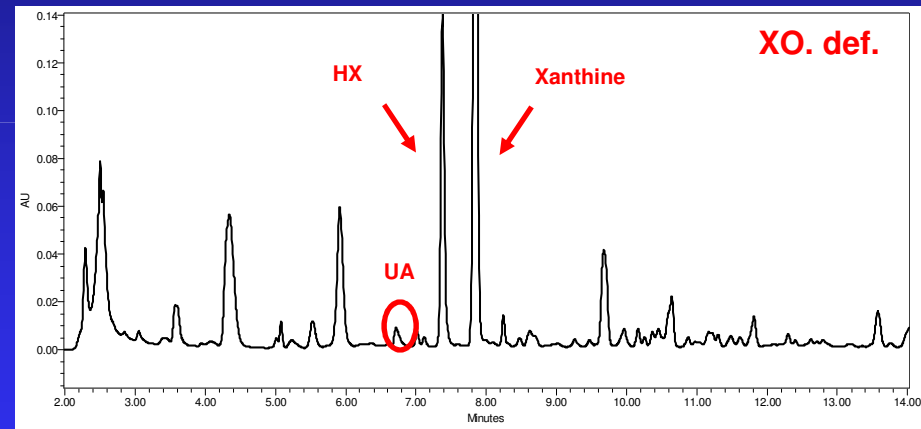
1.assessment of uric acid - serum , urine

2.urinary purine metabolites  
(+ allopur.loading test)

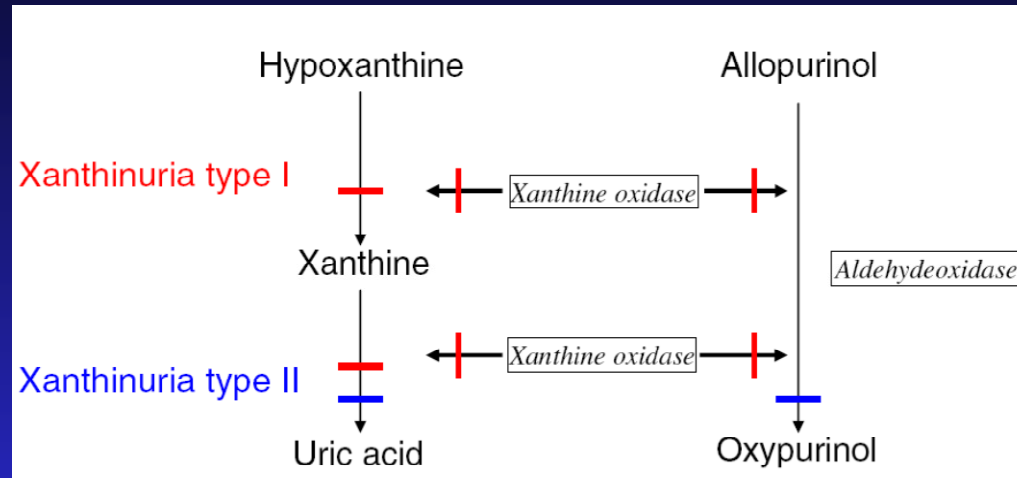
3.molecular genetic analysis

*SLC22A12, SLC2A9*

(in cooperation with Japan – *SLC17A3, ABCC4, ABCG2*)



# Allopurinol loading test



patients with with XO def. type I - able

II - not able to metabolize  
allopurinol to oxipurinol

1. 300 mg of allopurinol (adults) ..... after overnight fasting
2. Oxipurinol determined in plasma ... after 1 hour

## Clinical and biochemical findings in patients with XDH deficiency

case	age of dg . (years)	first sign	uric acid in serum ( $\mu\text{mol/l}$ )	Kaufman index (UA/Cr)	xanthine in urine (mmol/mol Cr)
1.	3	hematuria renal stone	not detectable	0.002	598.0
2.	8	hematuria	53.0	0.04	370.0
3.	9	none	16.0	0.08	327.0
4.	30	none	not detectable		180.0
controls			120- 360	0.7	30.0



## Clinical features and mutations (1-7th patients in *SLC22A12* gene) and 8-9th patients in *SLC2A9* gene

case	sex	age yrs	UA μmol/l	FE <sub>UA</sub> (%)	ARF	uro- lithiasis	mutation
1.	f.	73	124	52.4	+	-	g. 8294-8302del
2.	f.	39	58	53.4	+	-	g. 82948302del/ g.9184C/T
3.	f.	53	78	60.3	-	-	g. 82948302del/ g.9184C/T
4.	m.	35	63	43.0	-	-	g. 8145G/C g.9214G/A
5.	f.	15	35	55.2	-	-	g. 8294-8302del g.9184C/T
6.	m.	5	95	52.6	-	+	1242-1250delGCTGGCAGG
7.	m.	5		50.	-	-	1245-1253delGGCAGGGCT
8	f.	18	11	240.0	-	-	g. 43412_43413insC
9.	m.	23	10	220.0	-	-	g. 43412_43413insC

## Clinical features (two UK patients with acute renal failure-ARF) and mutations in *SLC2A9* gene

case	sex	age yrs	UA μmol/l	FE <sub>UA</sub> (%)	Cr μmol/l	ARF	mutation
1.	m	12	40	93.0	297	+	p.G216R; p.N333S
2.	m	14	58	53.4	202	+	p.G216R

- further evidence ... ..*SLC2A9* is a causative gene in *RHUC2*

- supports the prediction....both *URAT1* and *GLUT9* are essential for UA reabsorption

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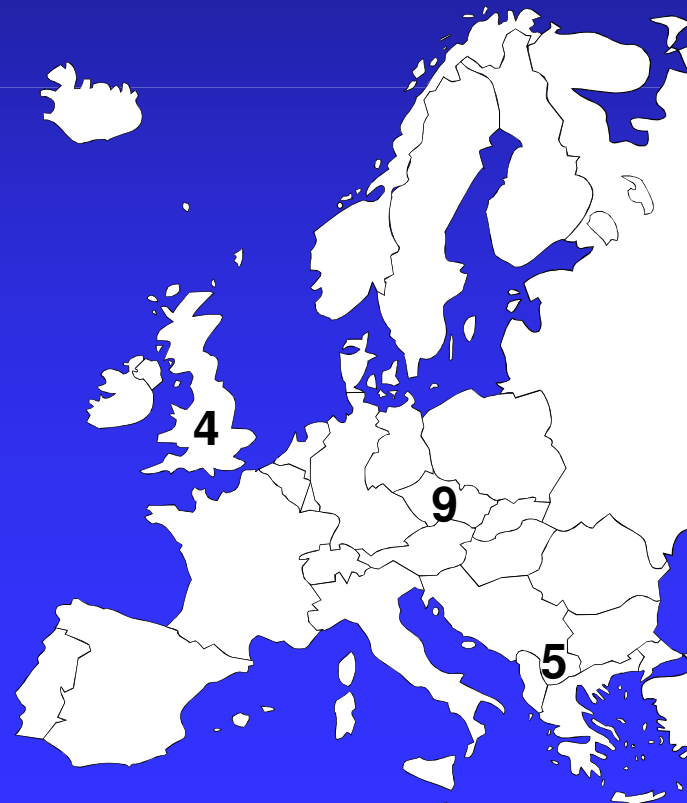
# Renal hypouricemia -unrecognized disorder ?

absence of *SLC22A12* gene mutations in Greek Caucasian

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5 patients (Macedonia), 2 (UK) – RHUC1 (URAT 1)

*Tesic V. et.al. Plos One. 2011;6(12):e28641*



# EARLY DIAGNOSIS of INBORN ERRORS OF METABOLISM

1. available methods
2. proper indication

screening

newborn  
(PKU, hypothyreosis.etc.)

selective screening  
- family history  
- suspicious clinical signs

diagnostic guidelines

# Dg. flow chart for unexplained hypouricemia ( $S_{UA}$ : $<120 \mu\text{mol/l}$ )

*Evaluation of case history ( urolithiasis, seizures, immunodeficiency)  
Exclusion of secondary causes ( drugs /allopurinol/, Fanconi sy. etc.)*



1. Estimation of EXCRETION FRACTION OF UA



if high → - mol.genet.analysis of URAT1, GLUT9

2. Urinary concentration of XANTHINE, S-SULFOCYSTEIN, THIOSULFATE

3. Urinary concentration of (DEOXY) GUANOSINE, (DEOXY) INOSINE



if positive - assay of purine nucleoside phosphorylase (PNP) in ery.

## Dg.protocol allows to differentiate

- a) **XANTHINURIA (def.XO) (lithiasis, 50% of the patients are asymptomatic)**
- b) **COMBINED DEFICIENCY OF XO/SULPHITE OXIDASE (seizures in newborns, evaluation of UA could be the first step to diagnosis)**
- c) **PURINE NUCLEOSIDE PHOSPHORYLASE (defect of T-cell immunity)**
- c) **HEREDITARY RENAL HYPOURICEMIA (lithiasis, high EF-UA)**
- d) **Primary hypouricemia can be excluded ( ? new defect)**

# Diagnosis of hereditary renal hypouricemia

1. estimation of uric acid (UA) in serum  
- if less than 120  $\mu\text{mol/l}$



2. estimation of excretion fraction of UA  
- if high more than 10%



3. exclusion of other secondary causes  
of hyperuricosuric hypouricemia  
if excluded



4. molecular analysis of *SLC22A* and *SLC2A9* genes

# Conclusions

- *hypouricemia* → *risk factor for kidney injury*  
→ *indication for detailed purine metabolic investigation*
- *hypouricemia can be good diagnostic tool – enables to find asymptomatic patients*
- *available guidelines will help for early diagnosis of purine disorders with hypouricemia*



# Conclusions

- *first patients with hereditary renal hypouricemia and xanthinuria were diagnosed in Czech population*
- *findings of a defect in the SLC2A9 gene provides further evidence that SLC2A9 is a causative gene in renal hypouricemia and support the prediction that normal function of both URAT1 and GLUT 9 are essential for normal uric reabsorption*
- *renal hypouricemia is still unrecognized disorder and probably not wide spread in Asia only*