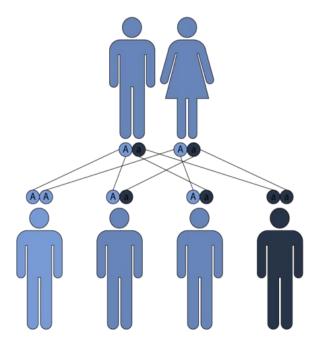


# ENZYME REPLACEMENT THERAPIES FOR LYSOSOMAL STORAGE DISEASES

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- Genetic
- Rare
- Autosomal recessive (majority)
  - Portugal 1/4000
  - Almost 70!

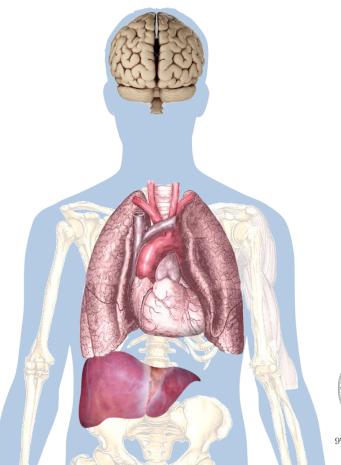




- Chronic
- Progressive
- Large spectrum of severity& symptoms

CNS pathology is a common hallmark of LSDs

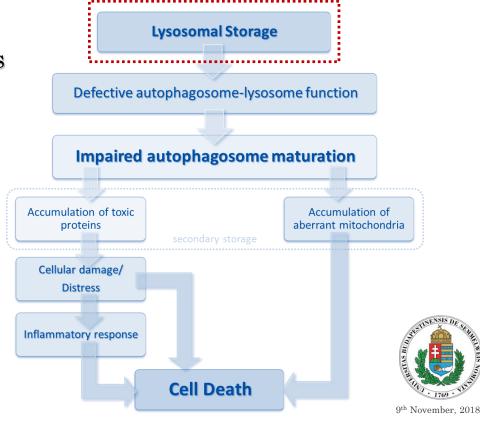
LSDs are the commonest cause of paediatric neurodegenerative disease

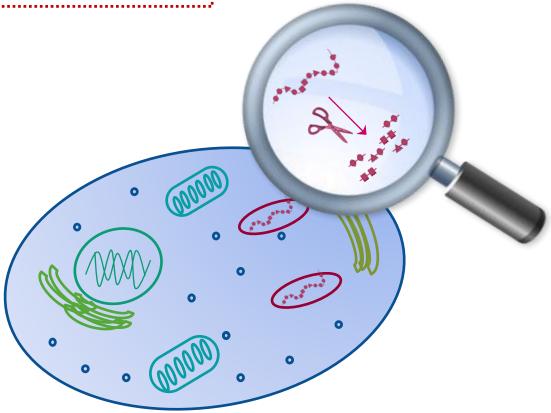




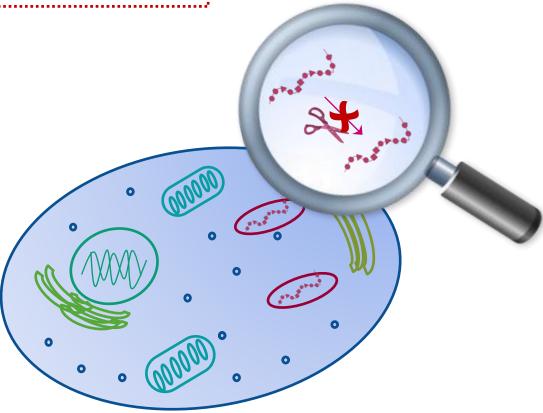
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• Pathophysiology *still unknown!* 



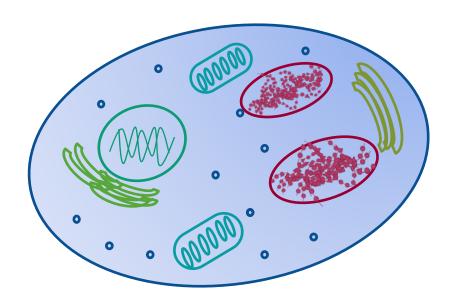






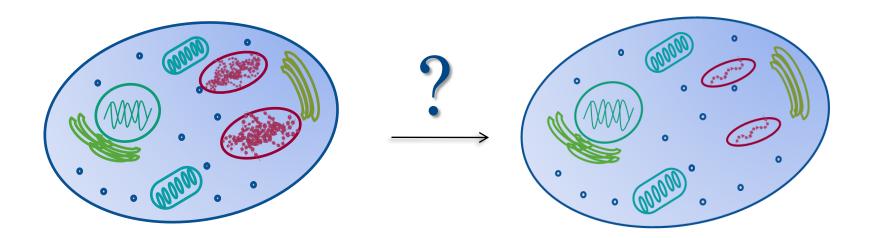


• Progressive accumulation





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#### THE ENZYME AS A DRUG?

- 1969
- Elizabeth Neufeld



#### THE DEFECT IN HURLER AND HUNTER SYNDROMES, II. DEFICIENCY OF SPECIFIC FACTORS INVOLVED IN MUCOPOLYSACCHARIDE DEGRADATION

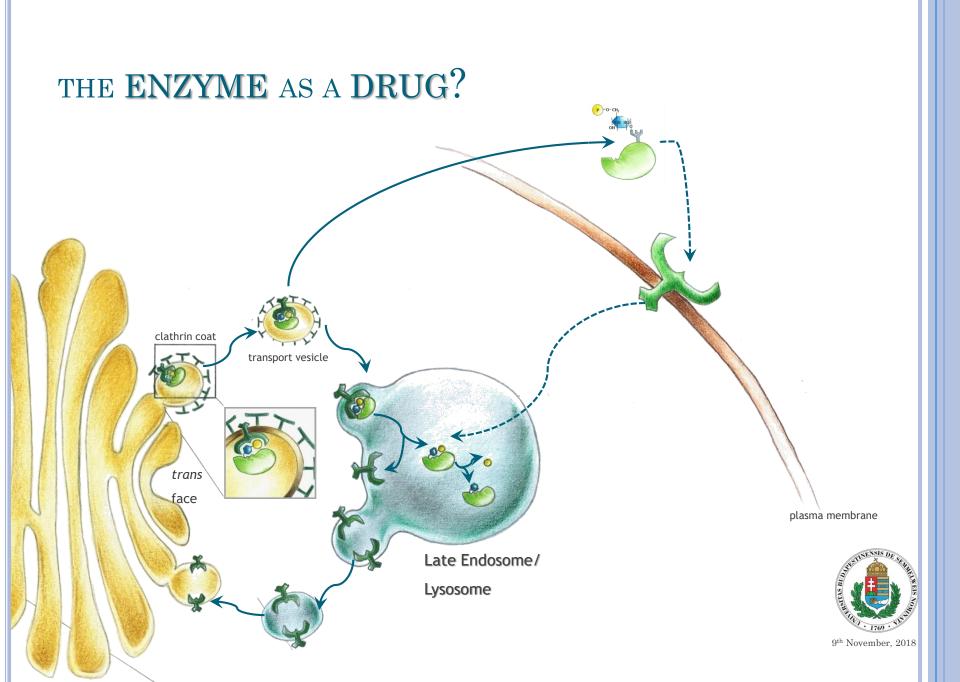
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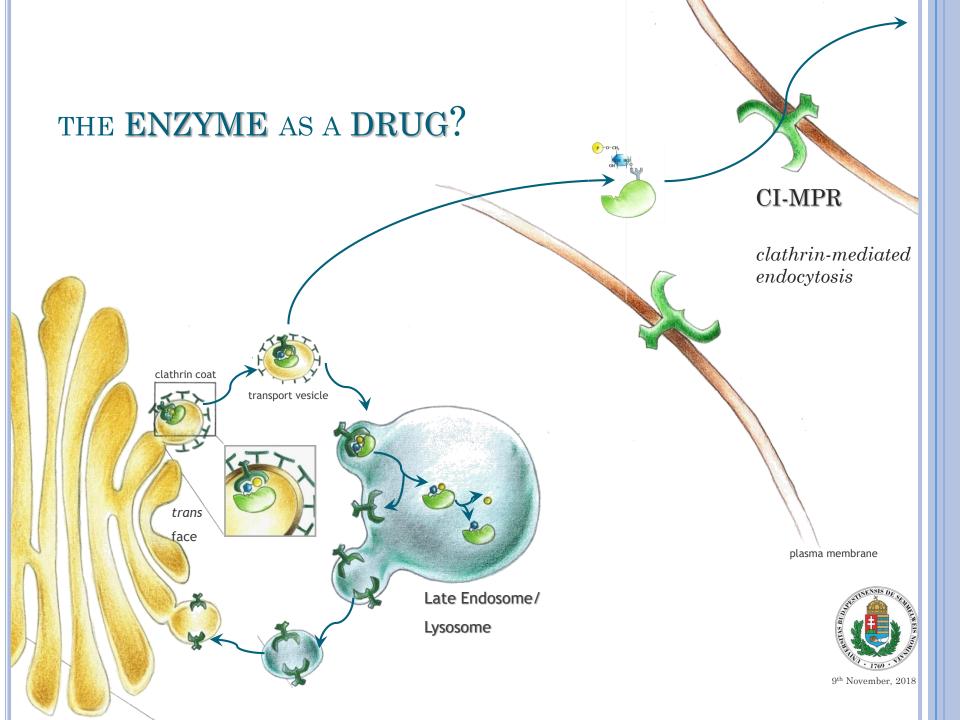
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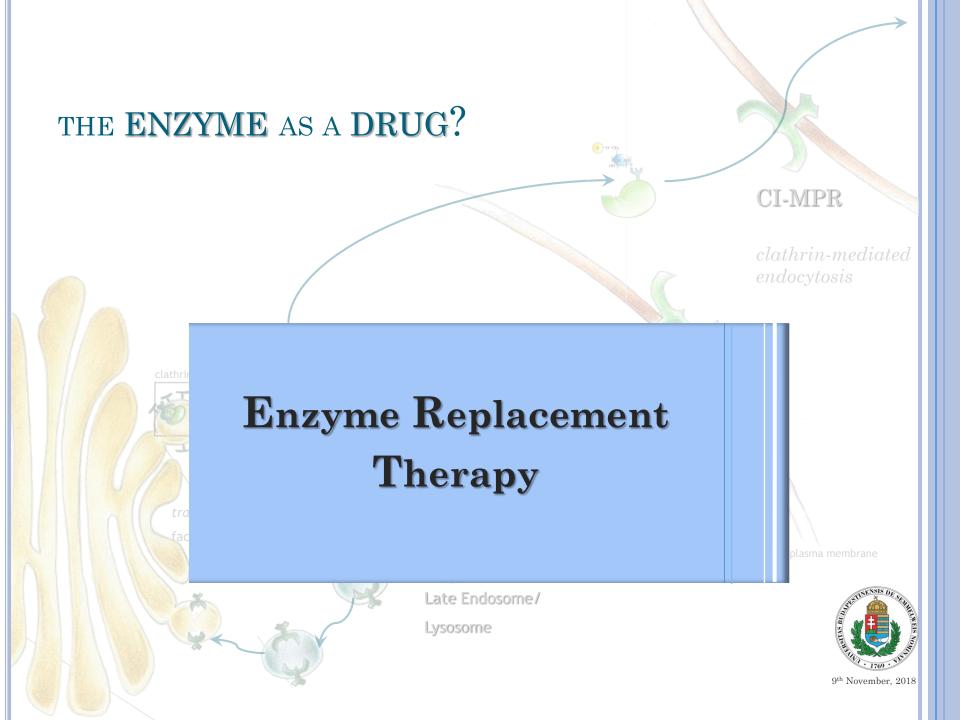
Communicated by Christian B. Anfinsen, July 9, 1969

Abstract.—Cultured fibroblasts, derived from patients with the Hurler and Hunter syndromes, show defective degradation of sulfated mucopolysaccharide. The aberrant metabolism of Hurler cells can be corrected by secretions of fibroblasts of genotype other than Hurler, and similarly, the defect of Hunter cells can be corrected by secretions of fibroblasts of genotype other than Hunter. The active factors in these secretions, which are heat labile and associated with macromolecules, accelerate the degradation of mucopolysaccharide.









#### PROOF OF PRINCIPLE...

- Gaucher Disease (GD)
- Deficient enzyme: β-glucocerebrosidase
- Gene: *GBA* (1q21)
- Most frequent LSD

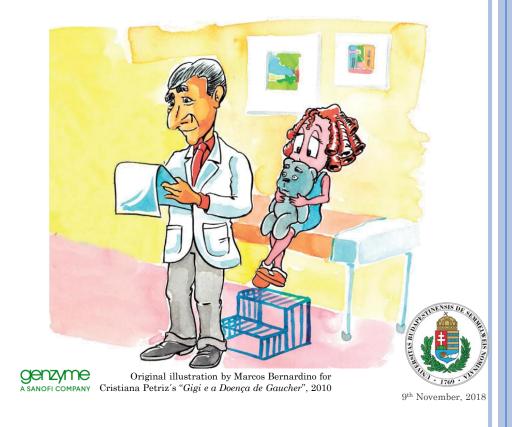


#### PROOF OF PRINCIPLE...

- Gaucher Disease (GD)
- Deficient enzyme: β-glucocerebrosidase
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- IV injection into patients
- extraordinary results

in blood tests!



#### PROOF OF PRINCIPLE...

- Gaucher Disease (GD)
- Deficient enzyme: β-glucocerebrosidase
- Gene: *GBA* (1q21)

- Intravenous injections of the <u>recombinant</u> enzyme
- Excellent results in systemic disease



## THE **ENZYME** AS A **DRUG?**

Pathology	Available ERT		
Gaucher	Cerezyme® (Imiglucerase; Genzyme)	VPRIV® (Velaglucerase alfa; Shire)	Elelyso <sup>®</sup> (Taliglucerase alfa; Pfizer)
Fabry	Replagal® (Agalsidase alfa; Shire)	Fabrazyme® (Algalsidase beta; Genzyme	9)
MPS I	Aldurazyme <sup>®</sup> (Laronidase; Genzyme)		
MPS II	Elaprase <sup>®</sup> (Idursulfase; Shire)		
MPS IV A	Vimizim® (Elosulfase alfa; Biomarin	n)	
MPS VI	Naglazyme® (Galsulfase; Biomarin)		
Pompe	Myozyme® (Lumizyme, Alglucosidase	e alfa; Genzyme)	
LAL deficiency	Kanuma <sup>®</sup> (Sebelipase alfa; Alexion)		

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#### THE ENZYME AS A DRUG?

- Several limitations
  - Cost
  - Lifelong dependance
  - Ineffective for the CNS manifestations

... antibodies?

...secondary effects?



MPS IVB Wolman
Beta-mannosidosis

Metachromatic
Danon
leukodystrophy
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MPS IVA llosis cosidosis Mucoli + 70 diseases type II most has no treatment! Niema type C ML III MPS IIIC Multiple sulfatase MPS IIIA Sialidosis deficiency Alpha-Krabbe MPS IIIB

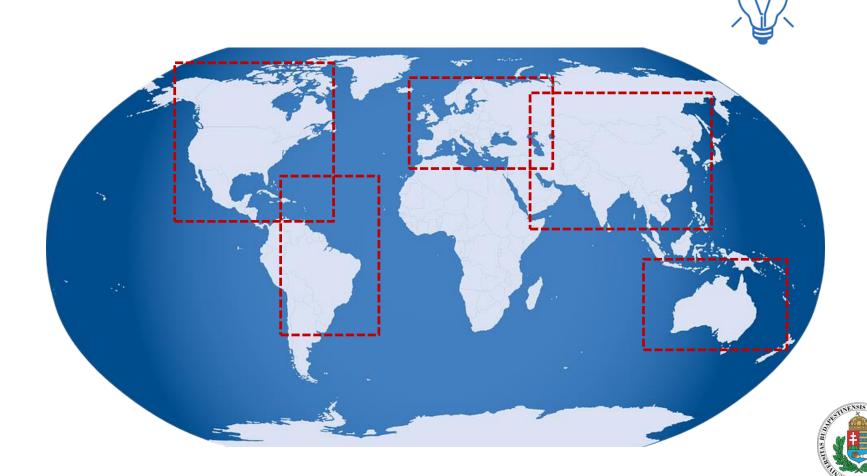
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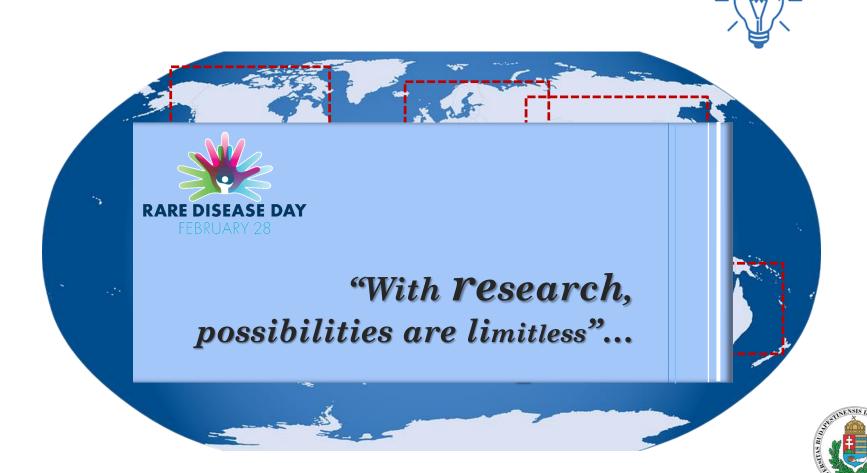
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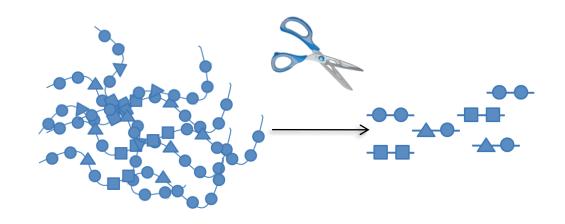


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#### enzyme replacement therapies

more effective
able to cross the BBB

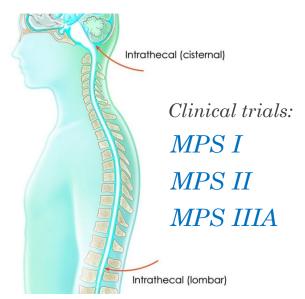


• Final goal: brain

How?

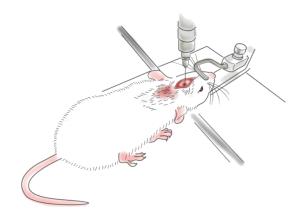
#### **≥** intrathecal injection

(into the spinal canal/subarachnoid space so that it reaches the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF))





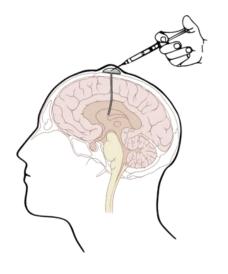
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How?



Clinical trials:
MPS IIIB



• Final goal: brain
How?

Associated risks!

§infections

§cirurgical procedures



• Final goal: brain

How?

Better vectors

Modified viruses (non-pathogenic)

retrovirusess (RNA)

adenoviruses (DNA)

lentiviruses

'adeno-associated' viruses(AAV)



• Final goal: brain
How?

➤ Molecular 'Trojan-horses'

+ signal-peptides

⟨⇒ 'receptor-mediated transport'

□ insulin
□ apolipoprotein
□ ...



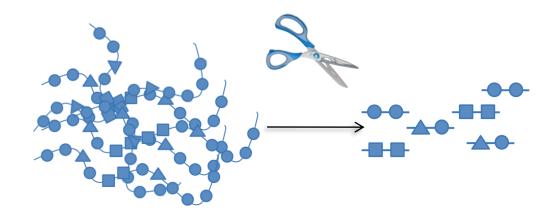
• 'Broader' approaches i.e. 1 therapy  $\Leftrightarrow$  1 disease (or even more!)

• 'Personalized' approaches

i.e. 1 therapy for each mutation/
type of mutation



• 'Broader' approaches

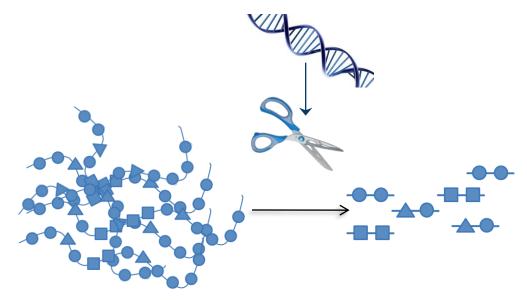


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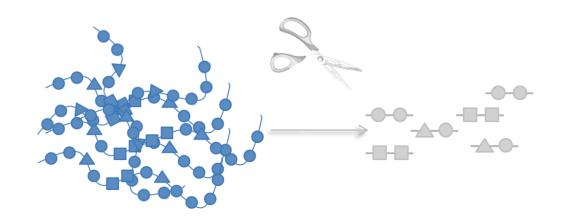
gene therapy

Clinical trials:

Metachromatic leukodystrophy

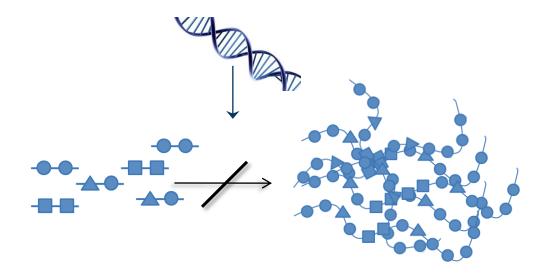


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Genetic substrate reduction



• 'Personalized' approaches

Final goal:

correction/amellioration of 1 mutation in particular type of mutations

How?

Molecular chaperones

\*\* stabilize mutant proteins

promote their transport into the lysosome



# AS POSSIBILIDADES (ILIMITADAS) DA INVESTIGAÇÃO...

• 'Personalized' approaches

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How?

Molecular chaperones

 $Galafold^{TM}$ 

(Migalastat; Amicus Therapeutics)



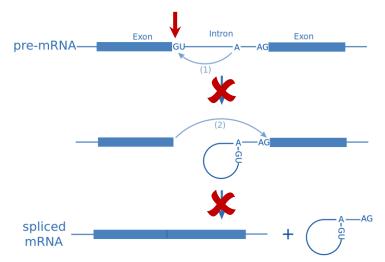
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How?

#### (a) Correction of splicing mutations





#### Our work at PT National Institute of Health...

- 'Broader' approaches
  - gSRT for MPS

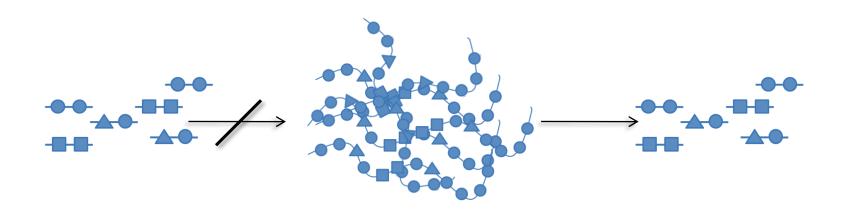
- 'Personalized' approaches
  - correction of *splicing* mutations in different LSDs

#### Common denominator:

Genetic-based therapies  $RNA ext{-}based$  'Easy' to test at a cellular level –  $1^{st}$  stage



## THE FUTURE(S)...

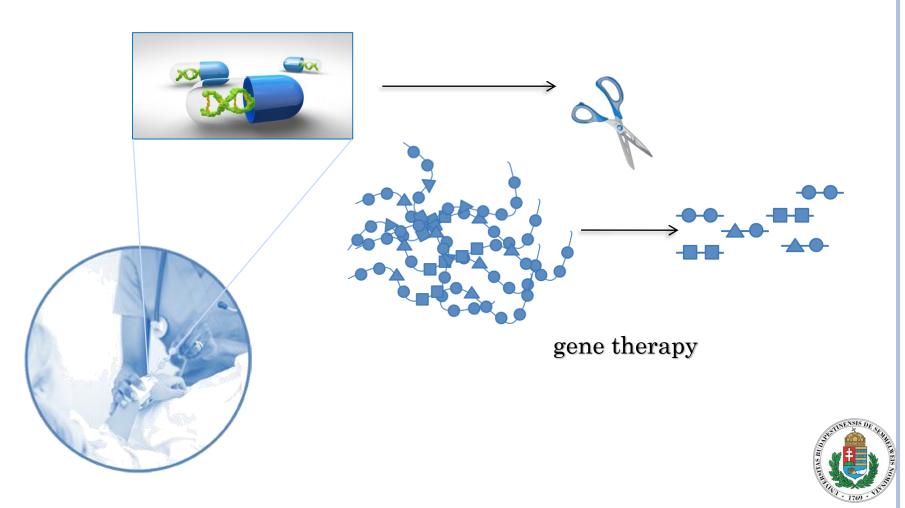


gSRT + enzyme replacement therapy

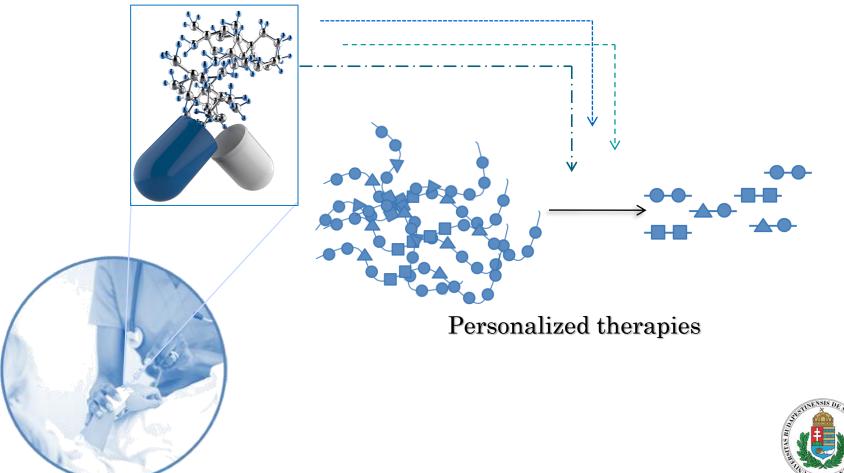




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