

Mechanisms of Limb Formation and Associated Phenotypes

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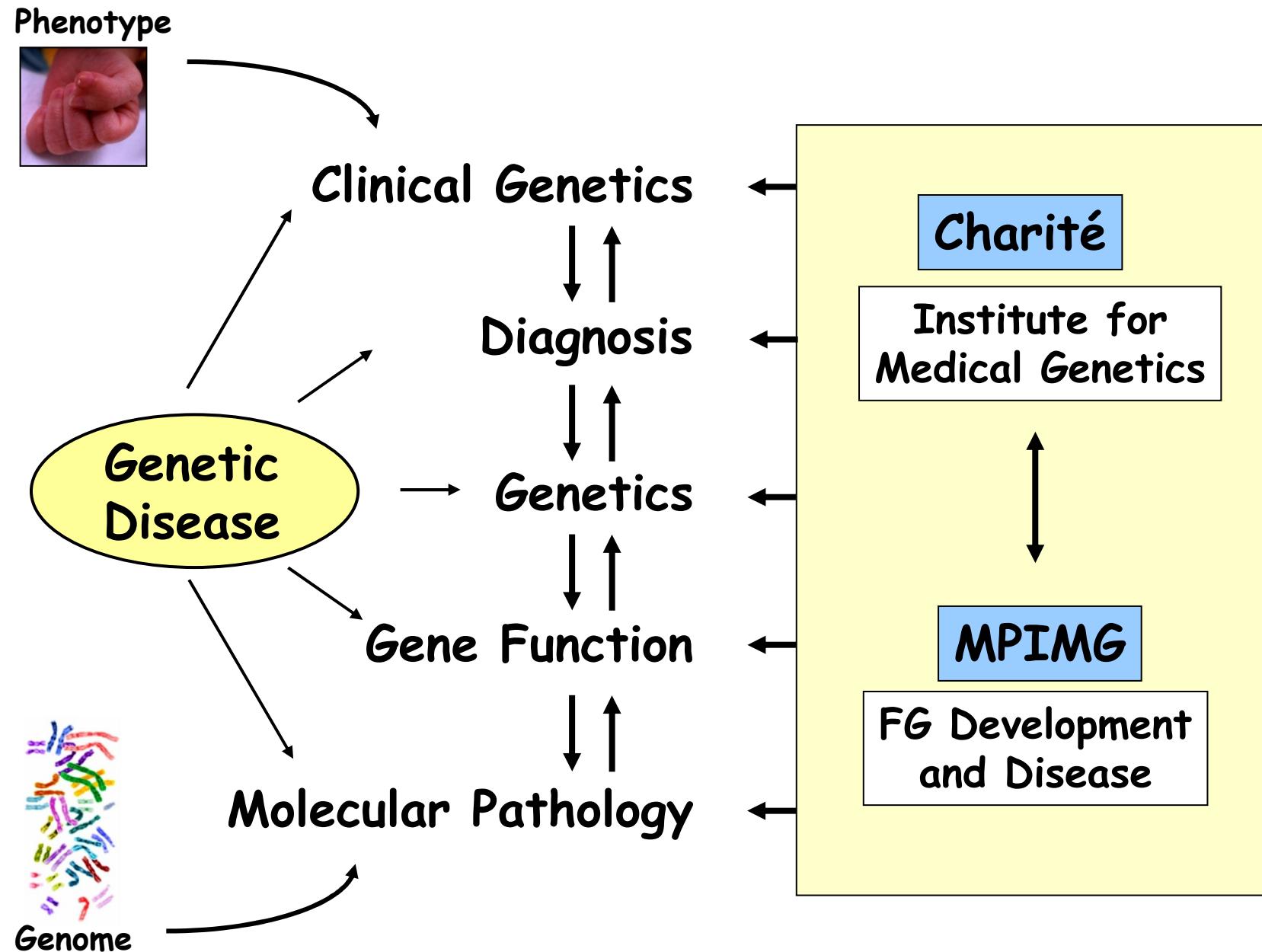
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Malformations of the Limbs

polydactyly



syndactyly



brachydactyly



oligodactyly



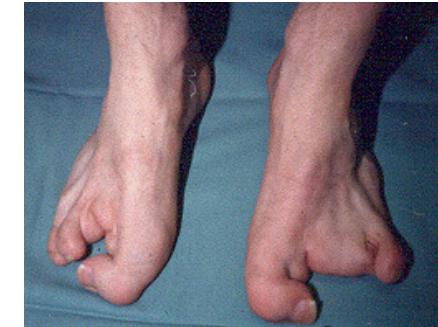
finger-like thumb



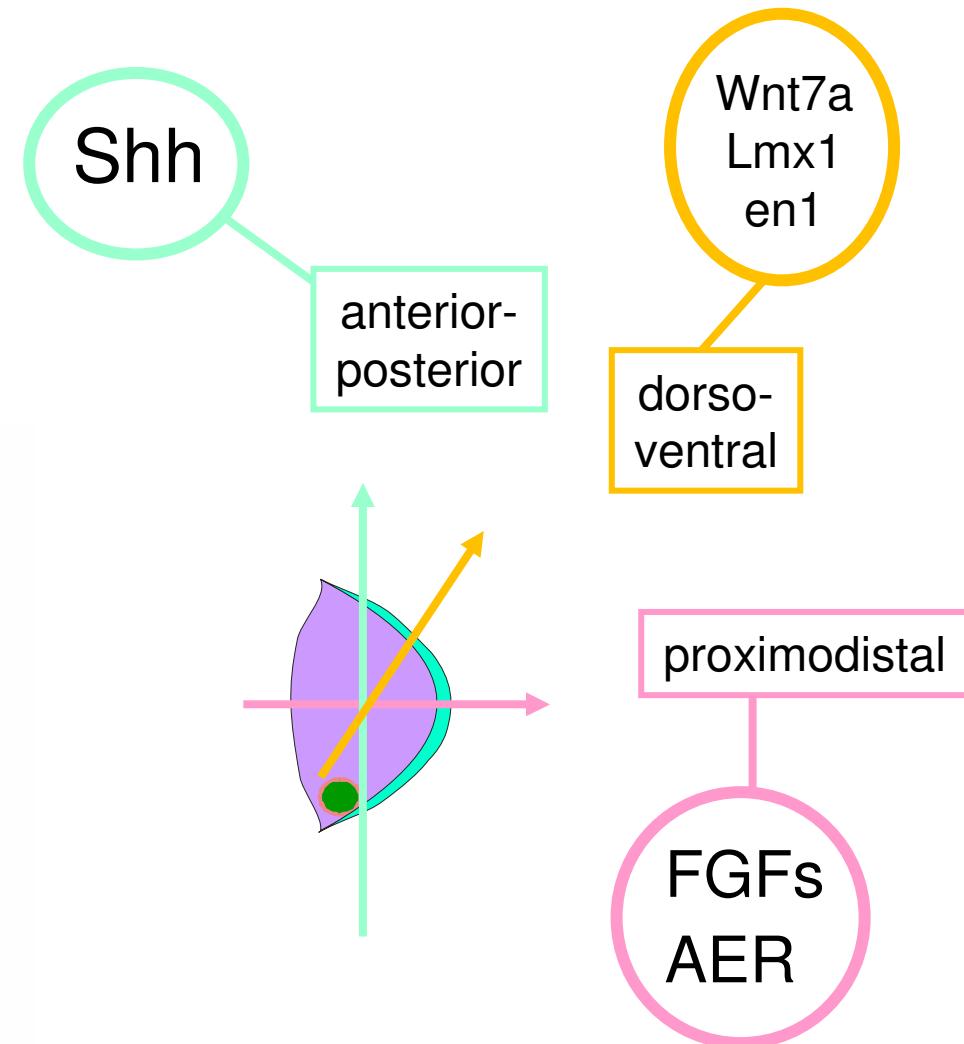
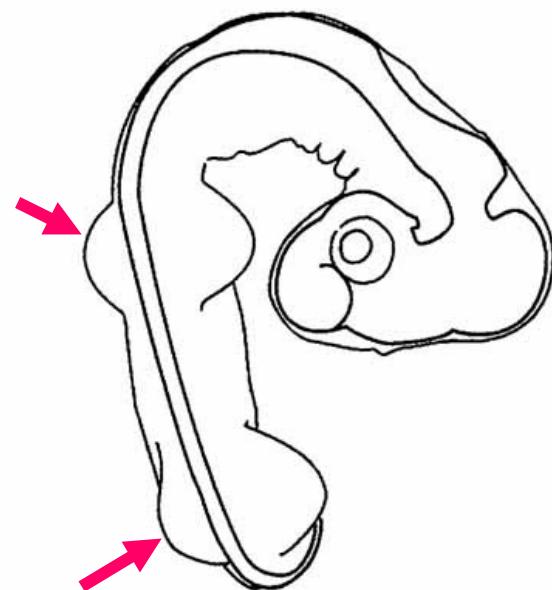
radial ray defect



ectrodactyly

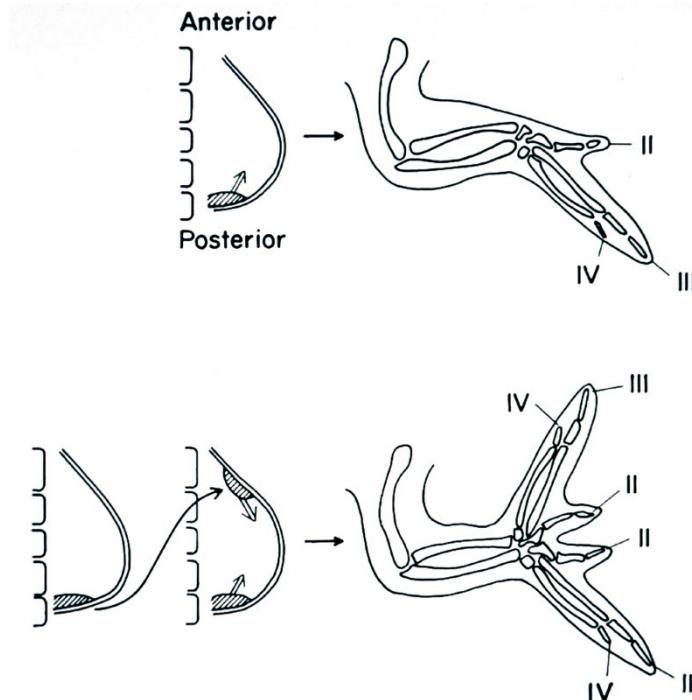


Patterning the Limb

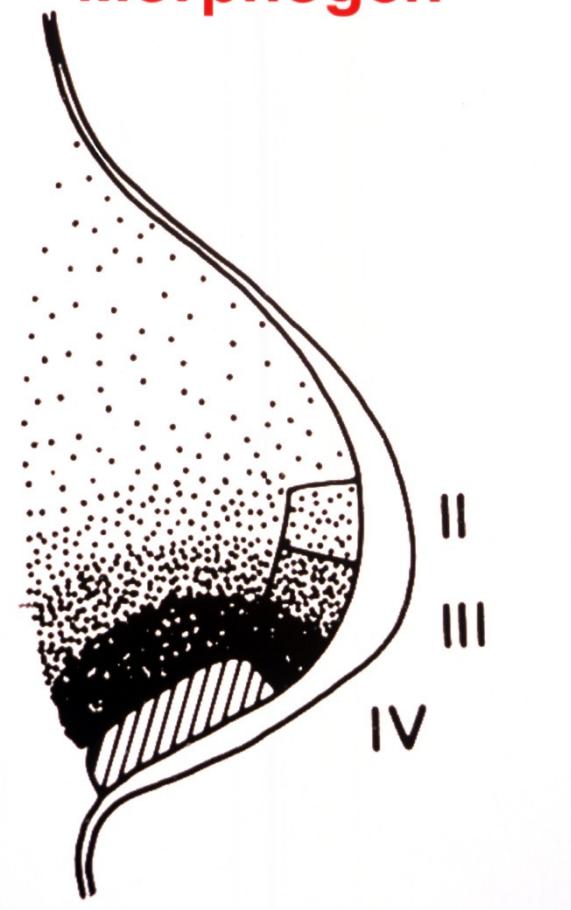


The Zone of Polarising Activity (ZPA)

- control of anterior-posterior pattern -

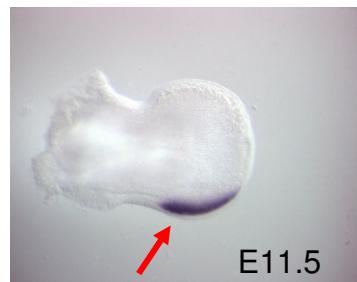
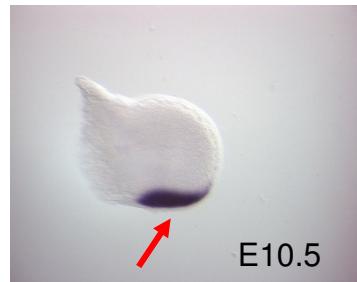


The ZPA May Act By Producing a "Morphogen"



Sonic Hedgehog (Shh) mediates the ZPA signal

Shh co-localizes
with the ZPA



**Sonic hedgehog causes
ZPA-like duplications**

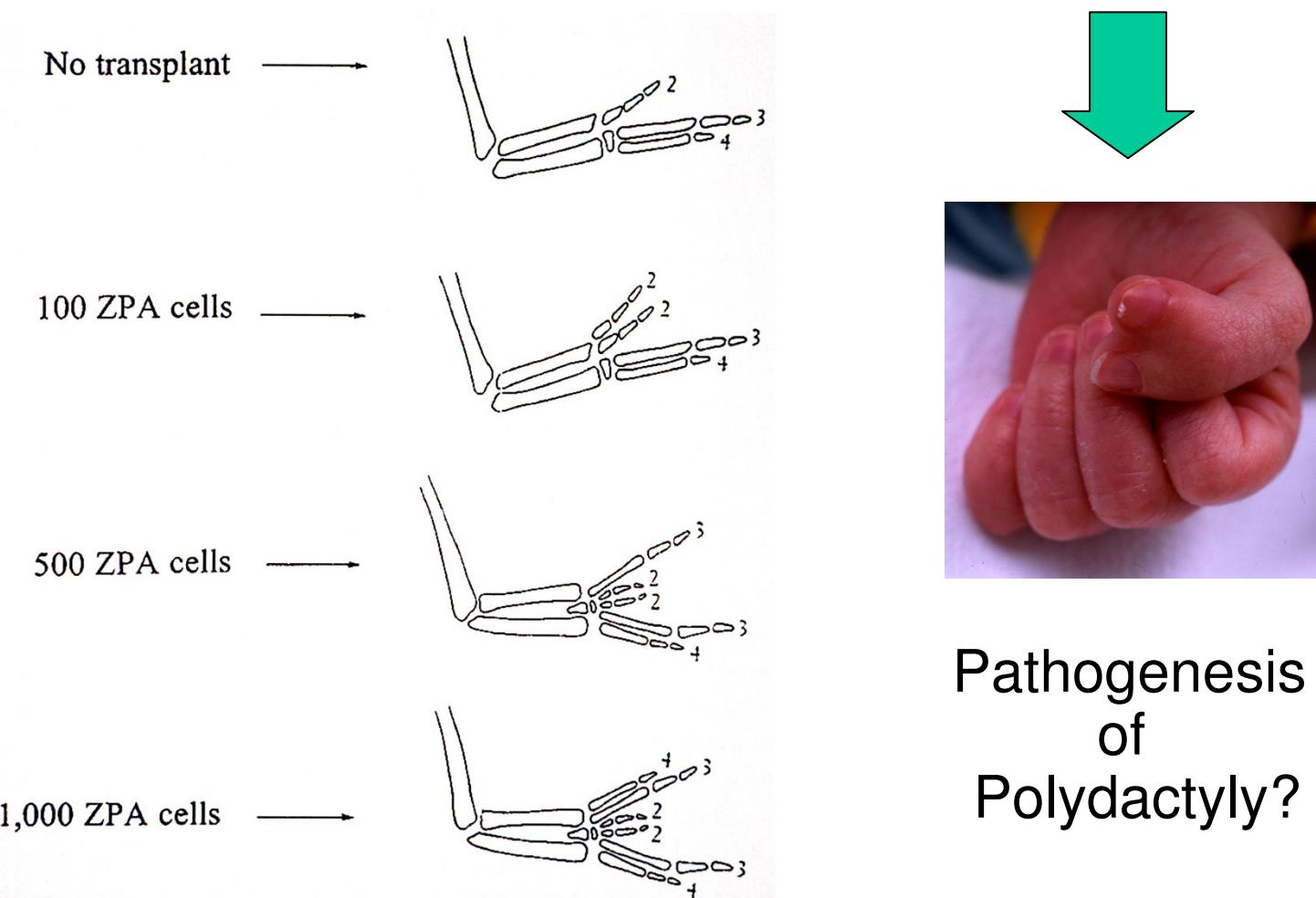
Wild Type



**Sonic
Protein
Implant**

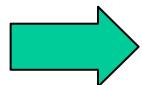


The degree of digit duplication is dosage dependent



Pathogenesis
of
Polydactyly?

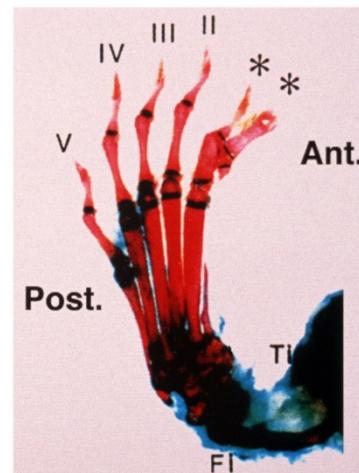
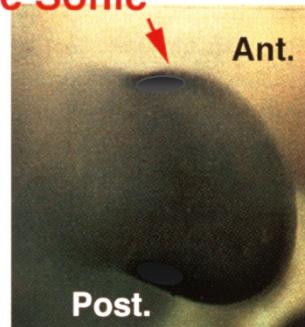
Mutations within the Hedgehog pathway



Polydactyly phenotype

Extra toes (Xt) mouse, a Gli3 mutant, expresses ectopic Sonic hedgehog

Ectopic Sonic



Masuya, et al. (1995) Genes Dev 9: 1645-53

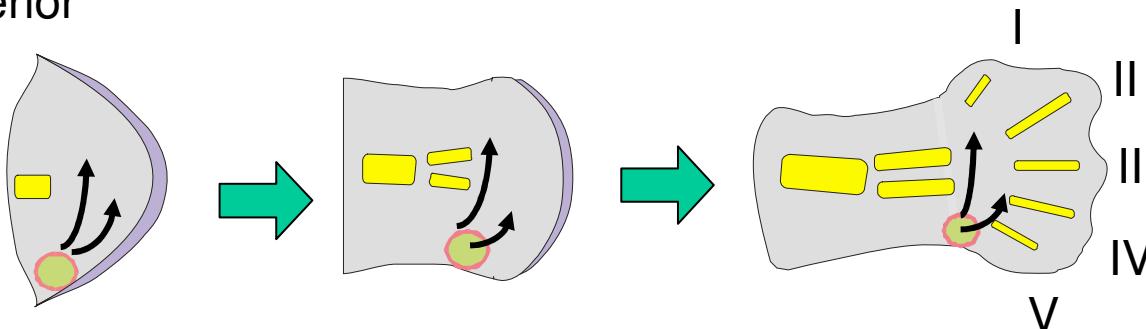
Cephalopolysyndactyly
(Greig syndrome)
Mutations in GLI3
Polydactyly



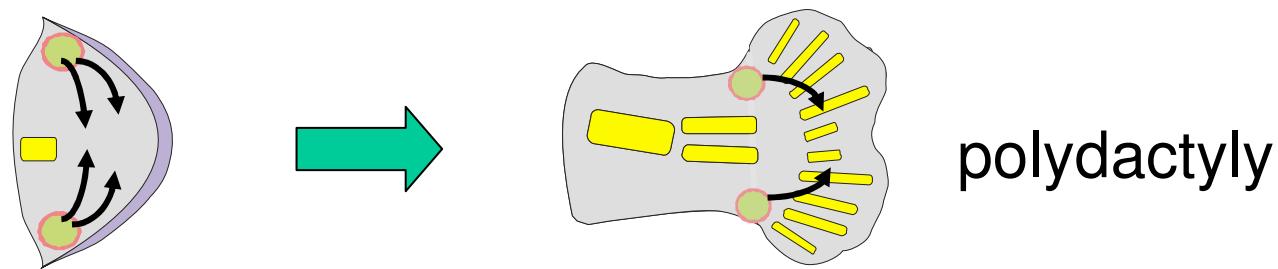
Mechanisms of Polydactyly

- ectopic expression of Shh -

anterior



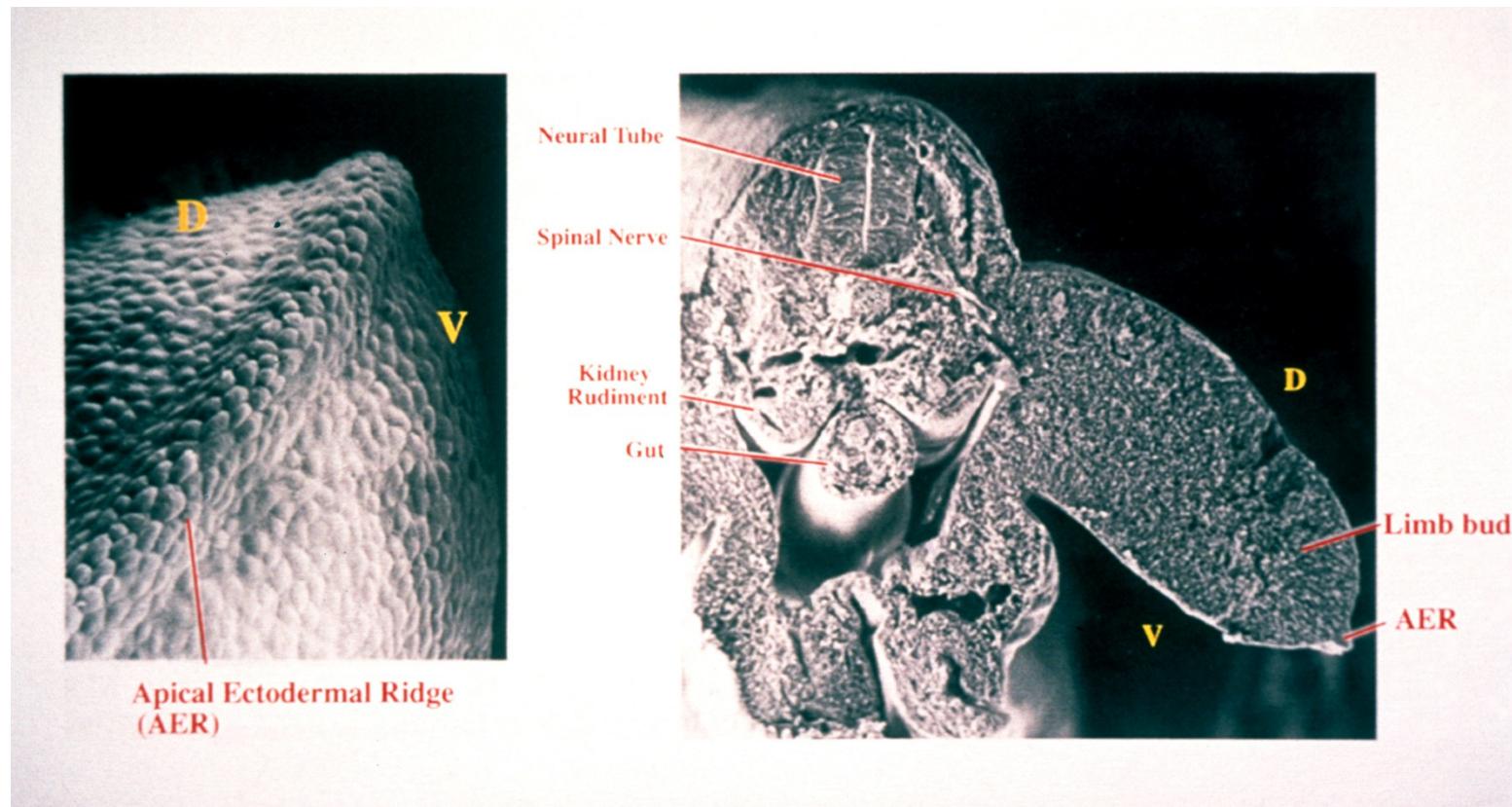
"double
dose"



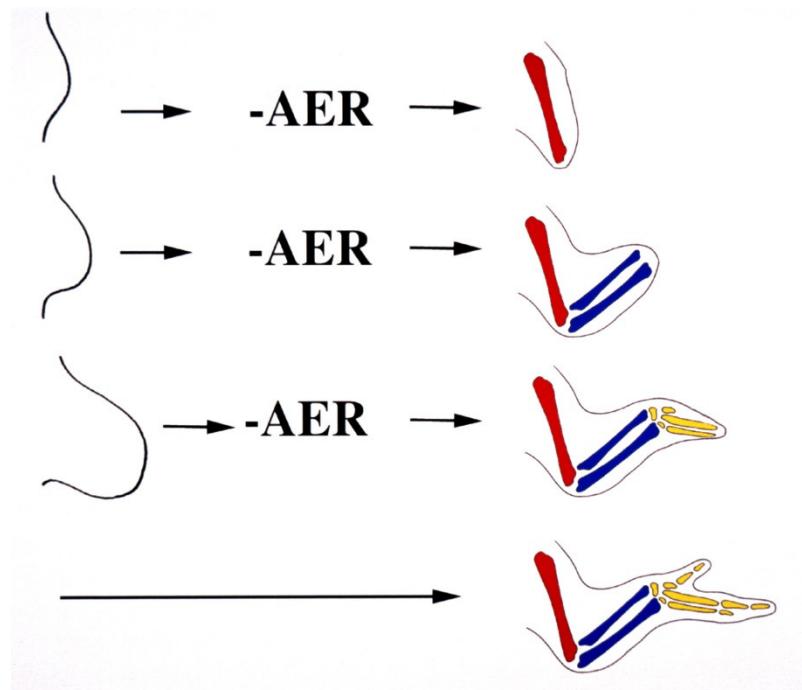
- - Zone of polarising activity (ZPA)
Expression of Shh

The Apical Ectodermal Ridge (AER)

- control of proximo-distal pattern/outgrowth -

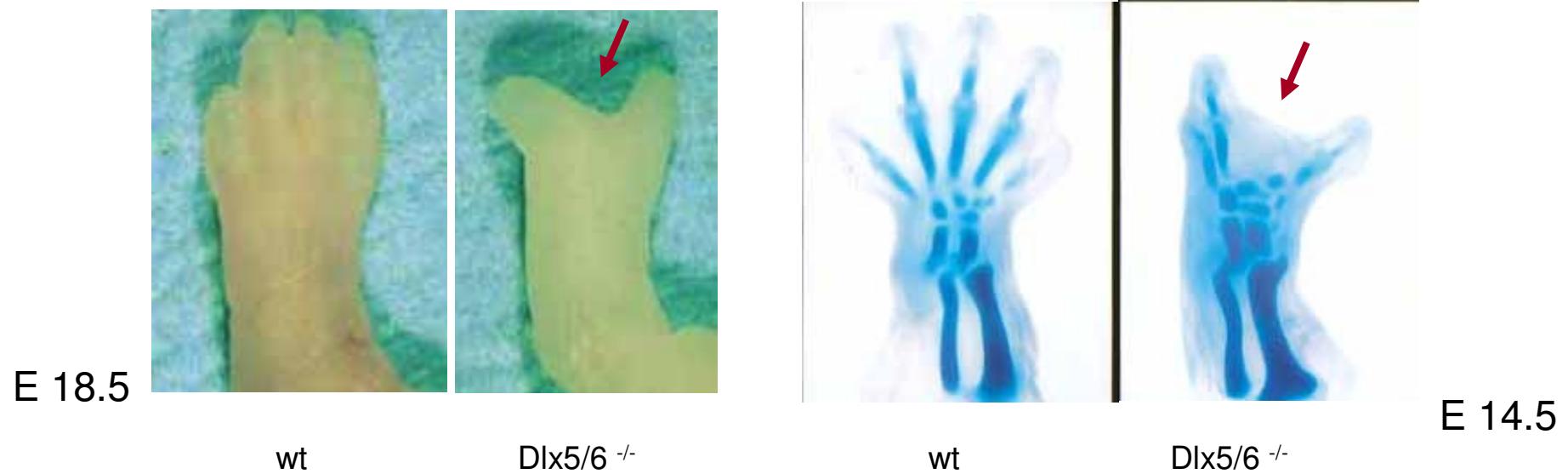


Removal of AER Results in Truncation



FGFs are
the AER
signal

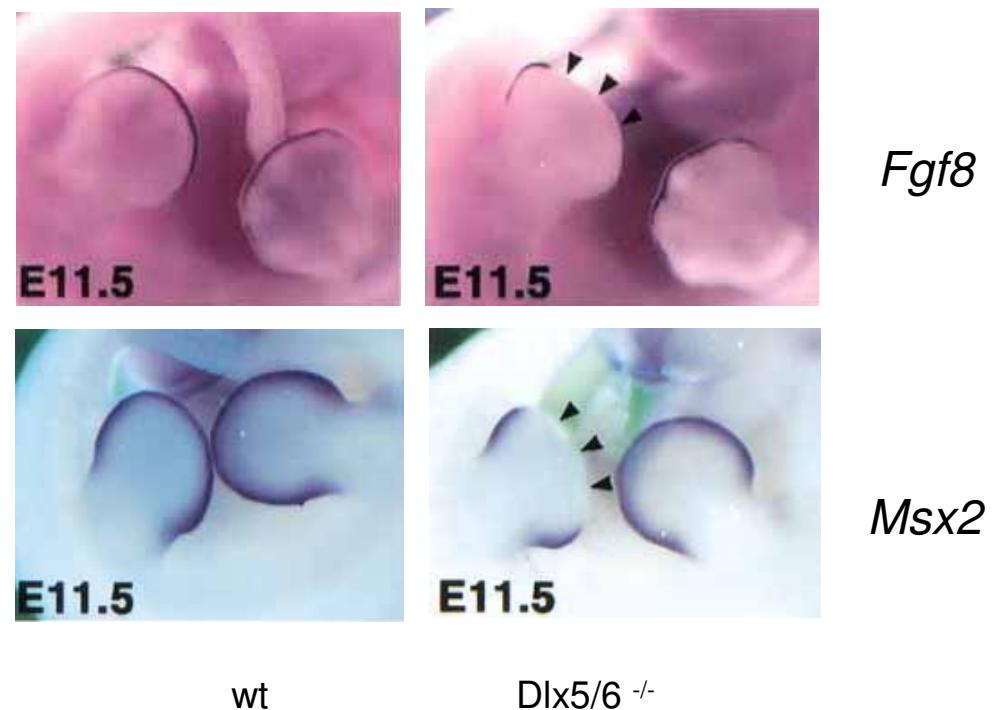
Dlx5/6^{-/-} Mouse as a Model for Split-Hand-Foot Malformations



- Distal-less Homeoboxgenes Dlx5/6

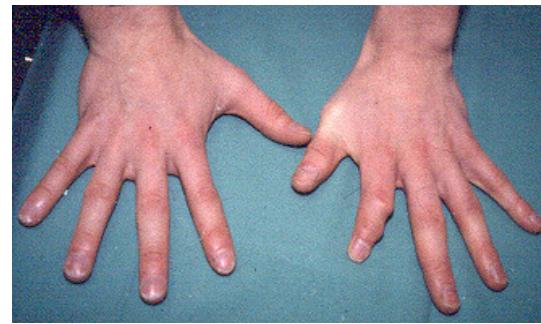
Dlx5/6^{-/-} Mouse Shows Loss of AER-Markers

- Loss of medial AER Structures
- Dlx5/6 important for maintenance of AER



Split-Hand-Foot Phenotypes

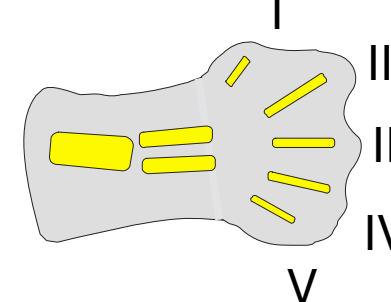
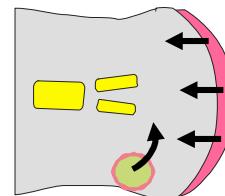
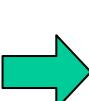
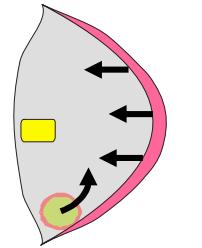
- mutations in p63 -



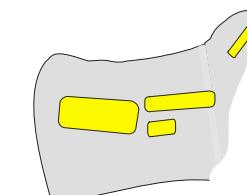
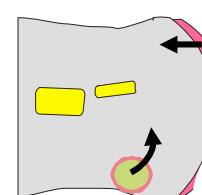
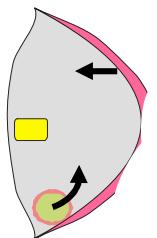
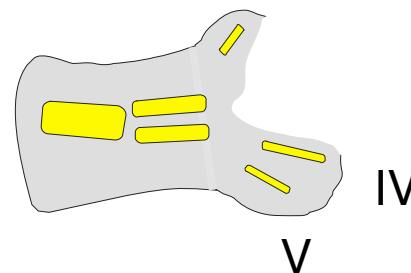
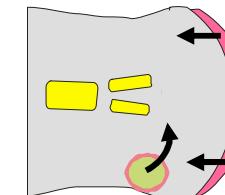
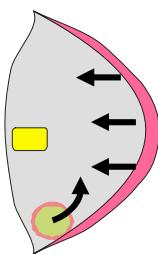
P63 controls development of ectodermal structures

Mechanisms of Ectrodactyly

anterior



Disruption of
AER-signaling

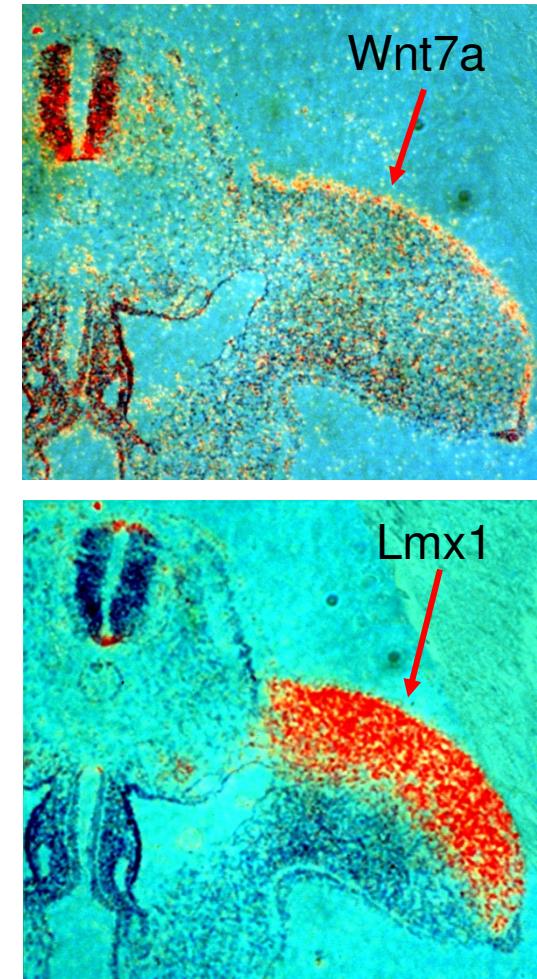
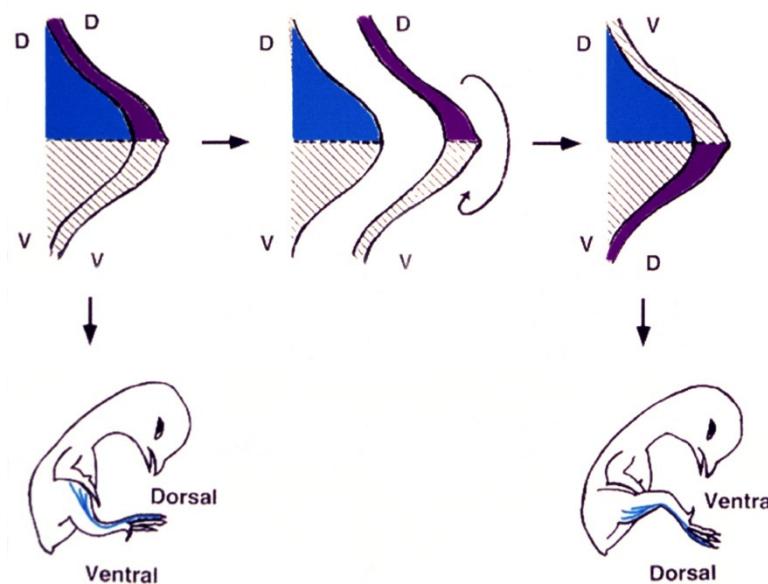


Loss of
distal
structures

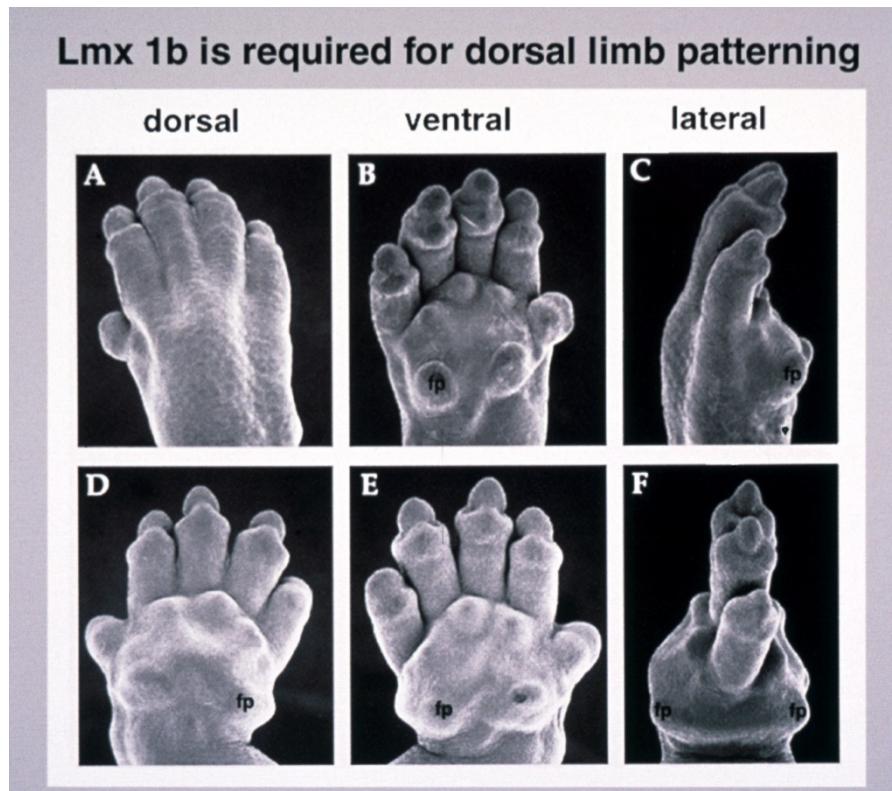
Dorso-ventral Polarity

- specified by signal from the ectoderm (*Wnt7a*)

The Ectoderm Specifies D/V Polarity



Lmx1 is Essential for Dorsal Pattern



Mutations in LMX1
cause
Nail-Patella syndrome

Lack of dorsal structures in Lmx1
knock out mice

Breakdown of Signaling Centers Results in Truncations



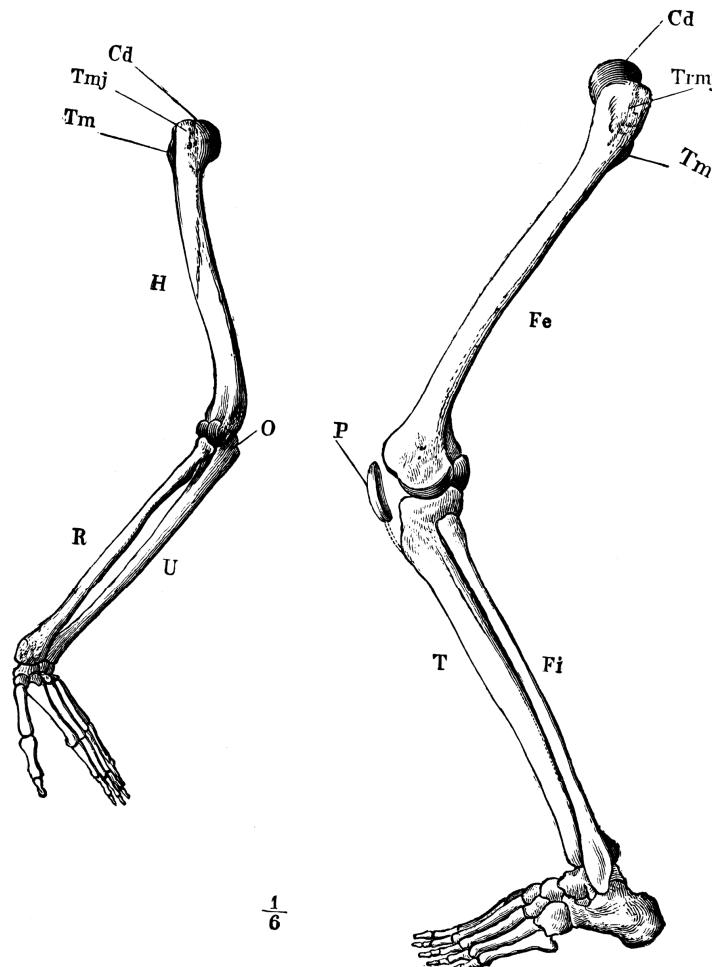
Mutation in WNT7

Loss of:

- distal structures
- asymmetry
- nails
- dorso-ventral pattern

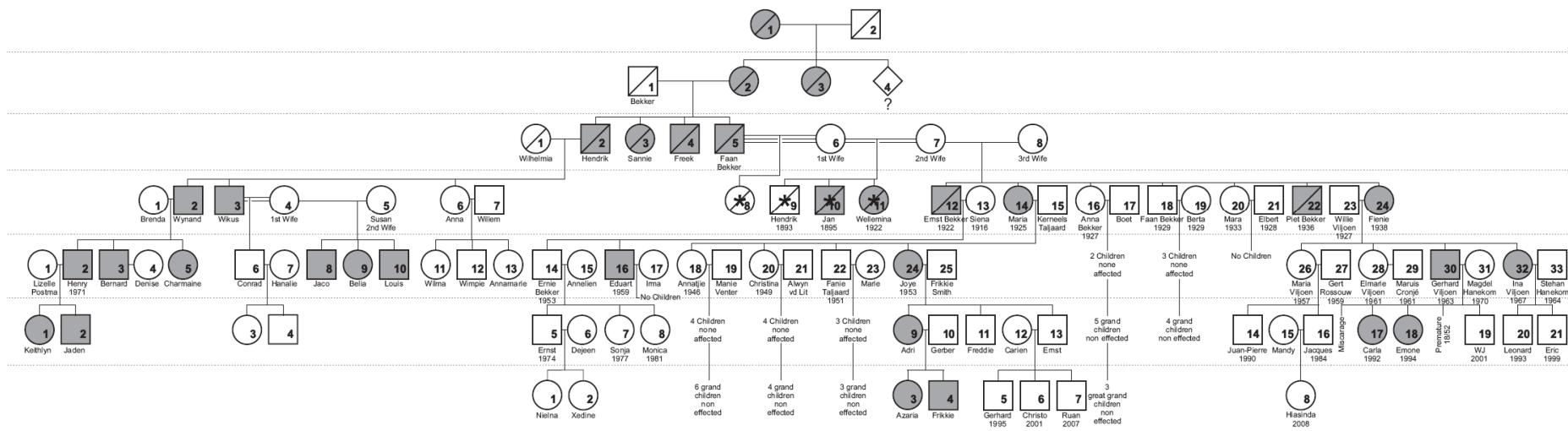
Limb Identity

Arm vs. Leg



Pedigree with Abnormal Wrists and Elbows

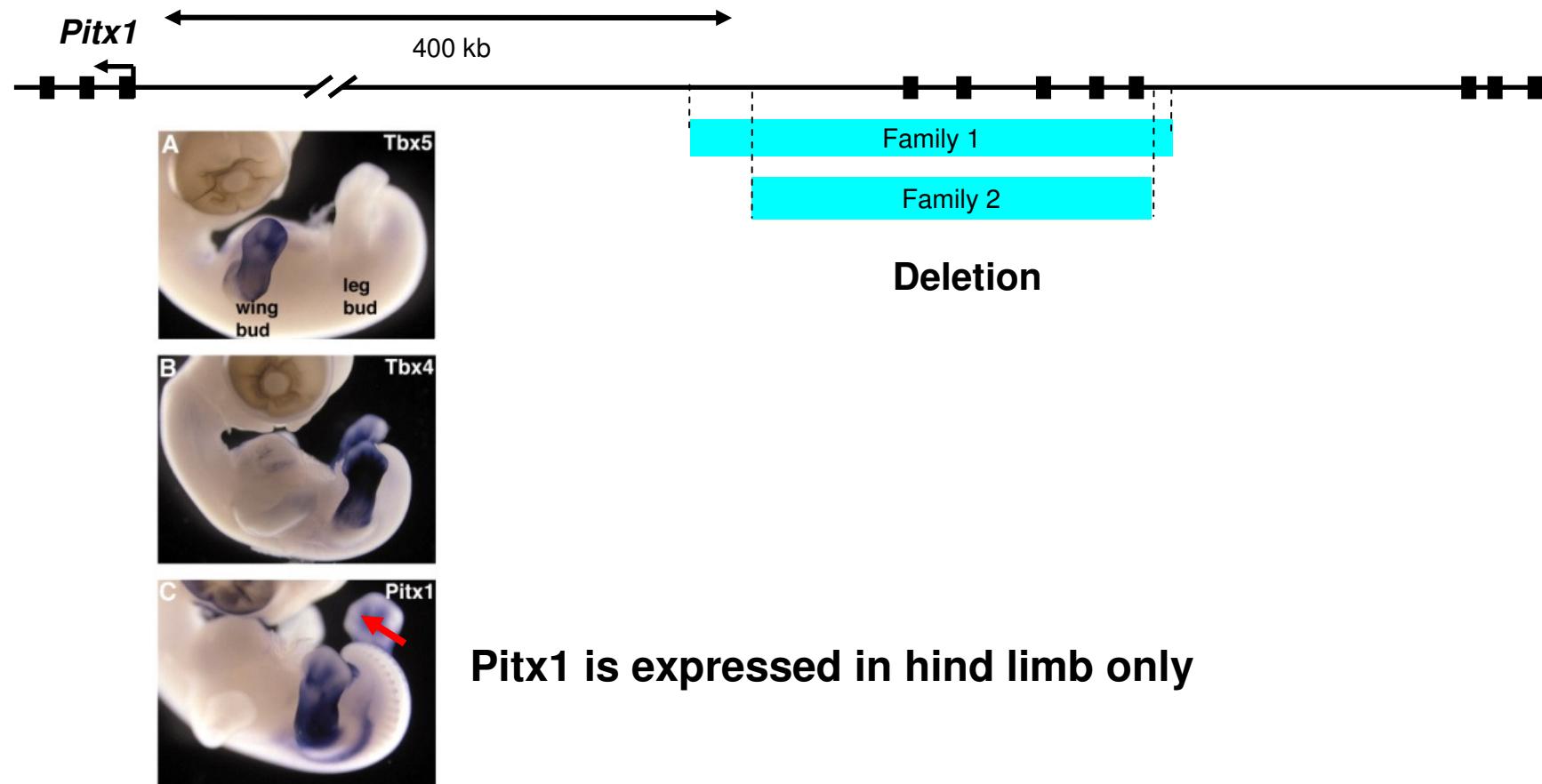
Liebenberg Syndrome



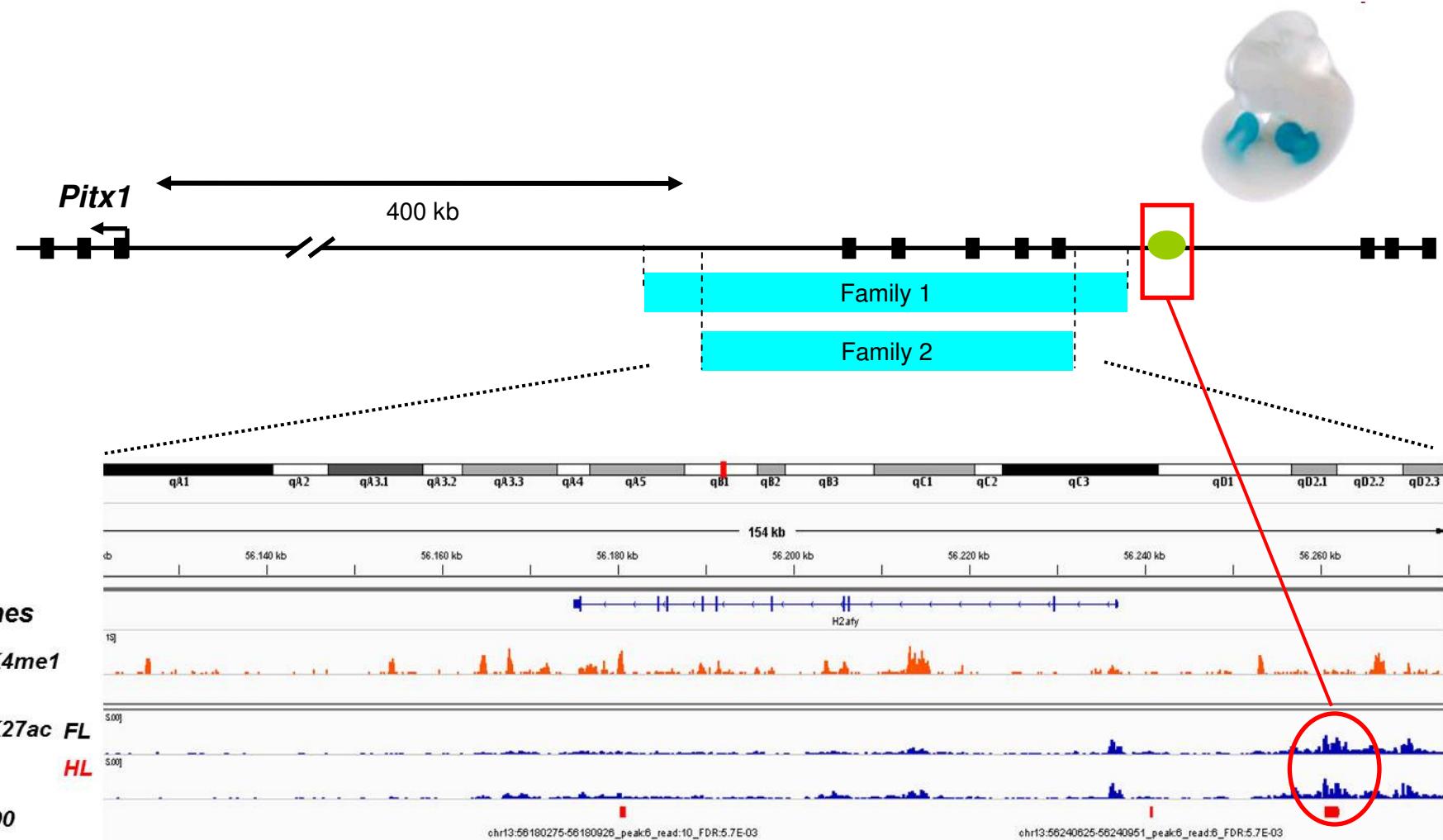


Arm to Leg Transformation

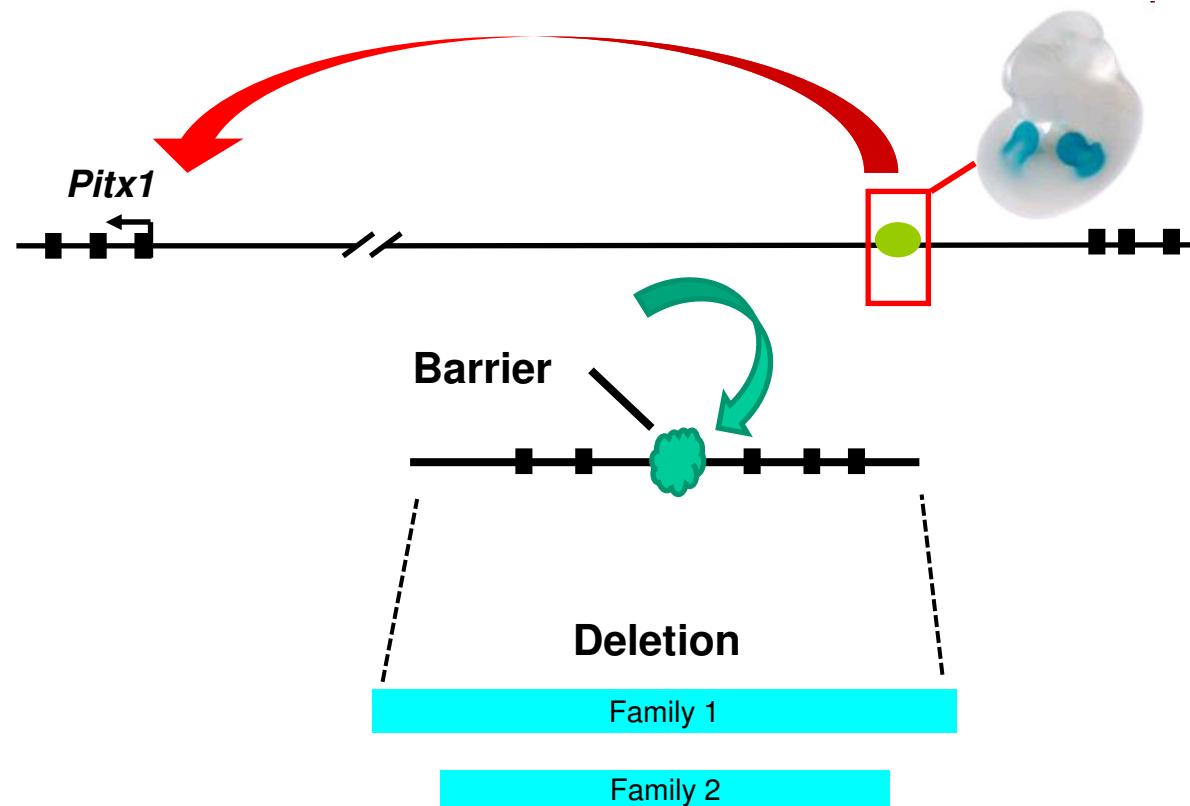
associated with rearrangements at the PITX1 locus



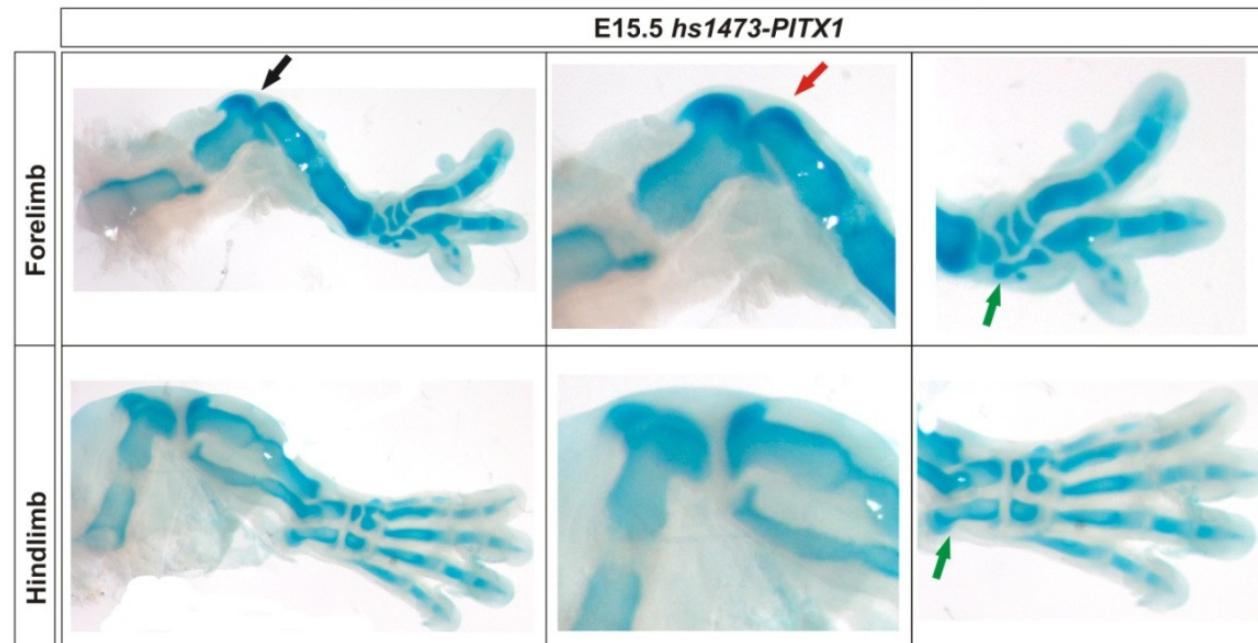
Regulatory Elements at the Deletion



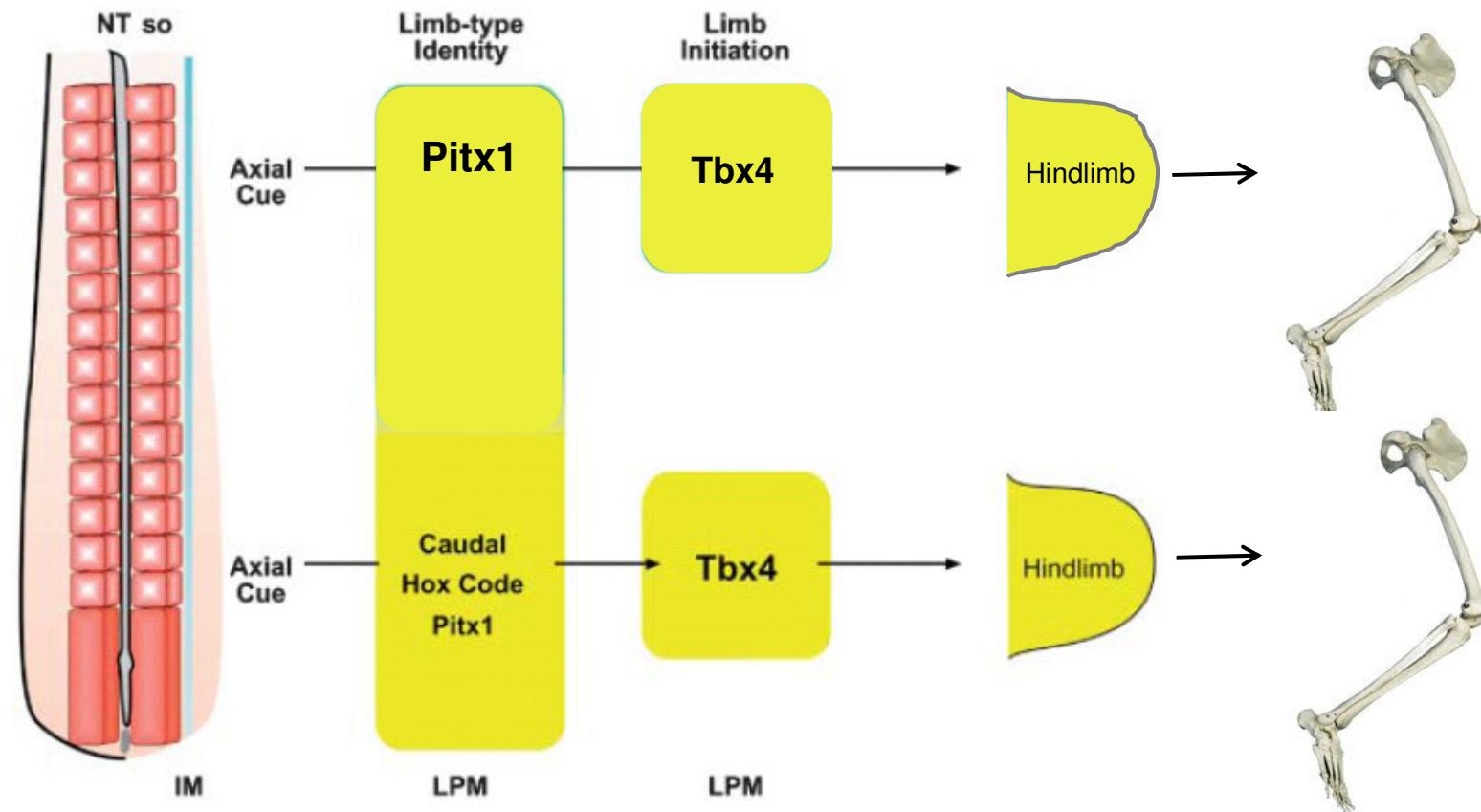
Enhancer Adoption at the PITX1 locus



Transgenic expression of Pitx1 under Hs1473 enhancer results in forelimb to hindlimb transformation



Molecular Determinants of Hindlimb/Forelimb Identity

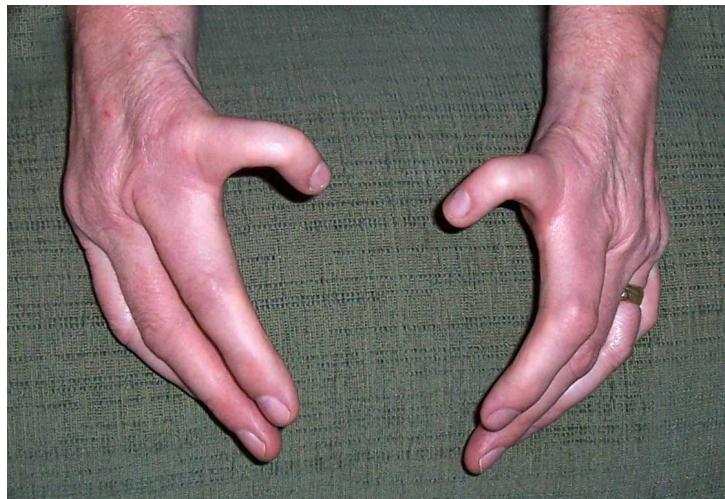


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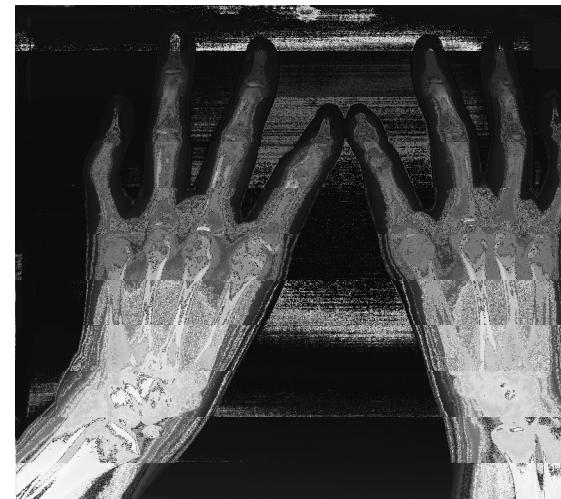
Genetic Testing

in congenital disease

Genetic disease or Thalidomide?

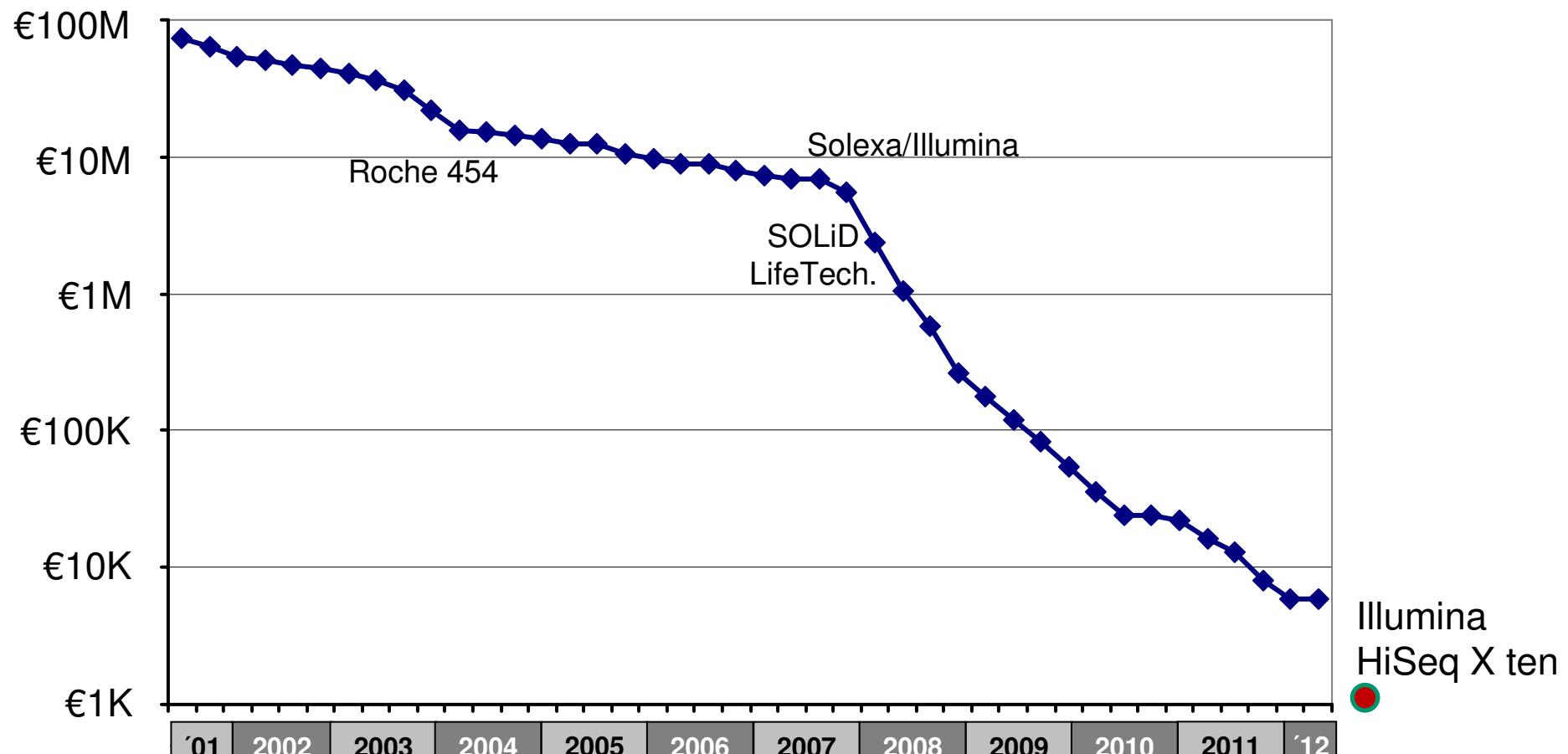


hypoplastic thumbs



absent thumbs

Sequencing Cost / Genome



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Applications of NGS in genetic diagnostics

Gene Panel Diagnostics

all genes that are associated with a disease / phenotype

currently established

Immunologye

188 Genes

Lipid metabolism

27 Genes

Cardiology

96 Genes

Deafness

90 Genes

CDG

76 Genes

Osteoporosis

90 Genes

Skeletal dysplasia

167 Genes

HPO

2776 Genes

Skeletal Dysplasia Panel – Design

167 genes

Target region of 658 kbp

Criteria: Causative for monogenic skeletal dysplasias + dysostoses

no predominant connective tissue involvement or abnormal bone mass

no lysosomal storage disorder (group 27 of nosology)

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|----------|---------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|--------|
| ACAN | DDR2 | GUSB | DYNC2H1 | DYNC2H1 | RECQL4 | TWIST1 |
| ACP5 | EFNB1 | HDAC4 | EBP | EBP | RMRP | WDR35 |
| ACVR1 | EIF2AK3 | HOXA11 | MNX1 | MNX1 | ROR2 | WISP3 |
| ADAMTSL2 | EP300 | HOXA13 | MSX2 | MSX2 | RPGRIPI1L | WNT3 |
| AGA | ESCO2 | HOXD13 | MYCN | MYCN | RUNX2 | WNT7A |
| AGPS | EVC | HSPG2 | NAGLU | NAGLU | SALL1 | |
| ALX1 | EVC2 | ICK | NEK1 | NEK1 | SALL4 | |
| ALX4 | EXT1 | IDS | NEU1 | NEU1 | SBDS | |
| ANO5 | EXT2 | IDUA | NFIX | NFIX | SGSH | |
| ANTXR2 | FAM58A | IFT122 | NIPBL | NIPBL | SH3BP2 | |
| ARSB | FBXW4 | IFT43 | NKX2-3 | NKX2-3 | SH3PXD2B | |
| ARSE | FGD1 | IFT80 | NLRP3 | NLRP3 | SHH | |
| BMP2 | FGF10 | IHH | NOG | NOG | SHOX | |
| BMPER | FGF9 | IL1RN | NPR2 | NPR2 | SLC17A5 | |
| BMPR1B | FGFR1 | INPPL1 | NSD1 | NSD1 | SLC26A2 | |
| CANT1 | FGFR2 | KAT6B | NSDHL | NSDHL | SLC35D1 | |
| CC2D2A | FGFR3 | KIF22 | OBSL1 | OBSL1 | SMARCAL1 | |
| CDH3 | FLNA | LBR | OFD1 | OFD1 | SOX9 | |
| CEP290 | FLNB | LFNG | PAPSS2 | PAPSS2 | SUMF1 | |
| CHST14 | FMN1 | LIFR | PCNT | PCNT | TBCE | |
| CHST3 | FUCA1 | LMBR1 | PDE4D | PDE4D | TBX15 | |
| COG1 | GALNS | LMXB1B | PEX7 | PEX7 | TBX3 | |
| COL10A1 | GDF5 | LPIN2 | PITX1 | PITX1 | TBX4 | |
| COL11A1 | GDF6 | LRP4 | POLR1C | POLR1C | TBX5 | |
| COL11A2 | GLB1 | MATN3 | POLR1D | POLR1D | TCOF1 | |
| COL2A1 | GLI3 | MESP2 | POR | POR | THPO | |
| COL9A1 | GNAS | MGP | PRKAR1A | PRKAR1A | TMEM67 | |
| COL9A2 | GNPAT | MKS1 | PTH1R | PTH1R | TP63 | |
| COL9A3 | GNPTAB | MMP13 | PTHLH | PTHLH | TRAPP2 | |
| COMP | GNPTG | MMP9 | PTPN11 | PTPN11 | TRIP11 | |
| CREBBP | GNS | DLL3 | RAB23 | RAB23 | TRPS1 | |
| CTSA | GPC6 | DYM | RAB33B | RAB33B | TRPV4 | |
| CUL7 | GREM1 | | | | | |

Skeletal Dysplasias and Dysostoses Panel

Paired-end 150 bp sequencing on MiSeq

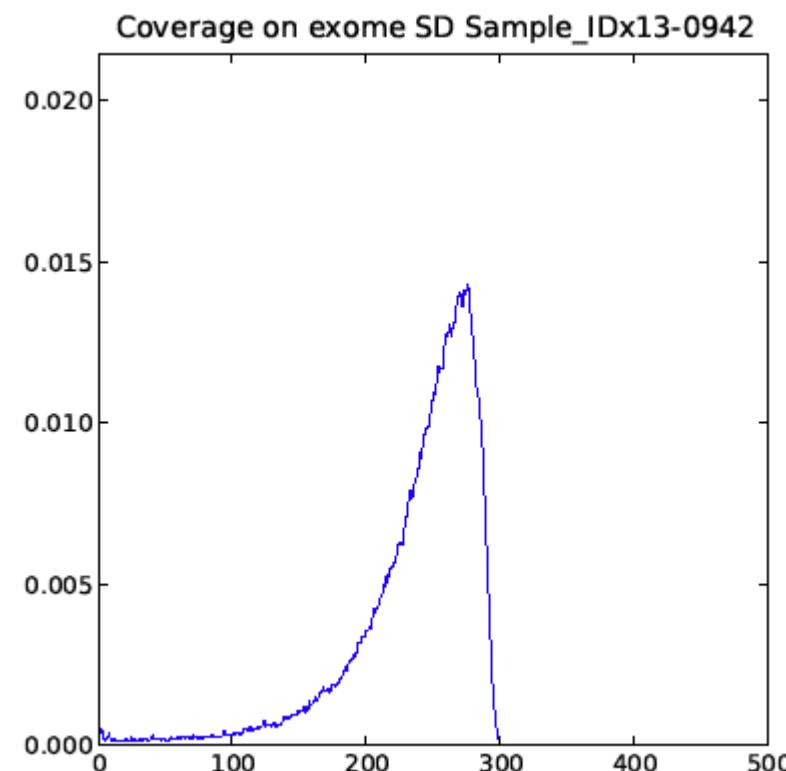
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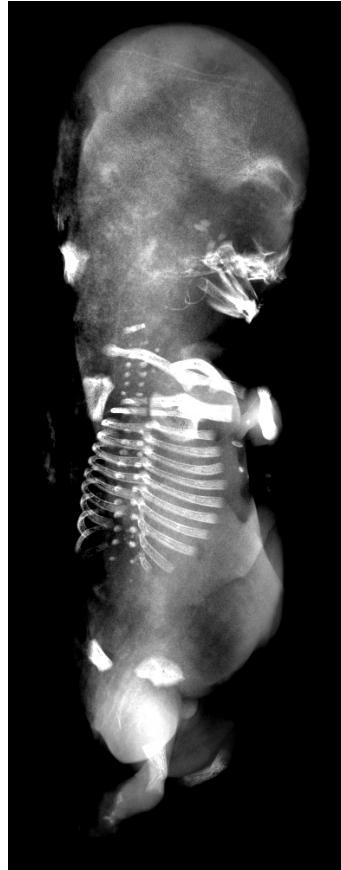
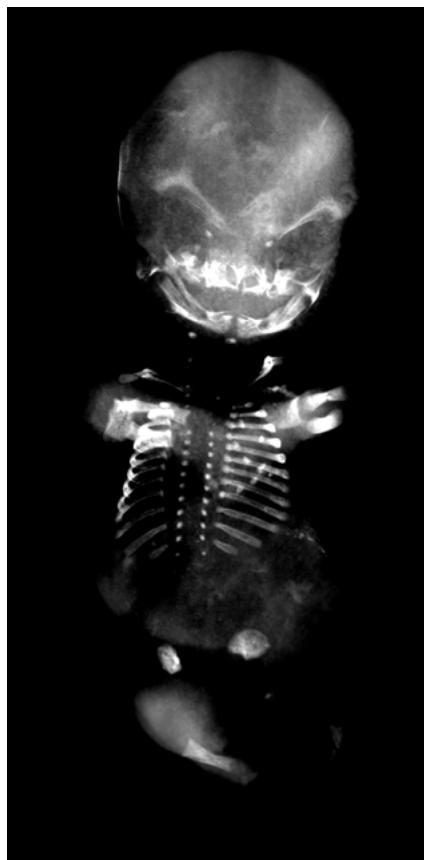
Fraction with cov. ≥ 10 : 0.9854506

Fraction with cov. ≥ 20 : 0.9839304



Skeletal Dysplasia Panel – Case 13-0812

Clinic: **lethal chondrodysplasia**



Analysis of Results

Screenshot of the GeneTalk web application interface showing the "View VCF" page.

The URL in the browser bar is https://gene-talk.de/vcf_file/5165/*.

The top navigation bar includes links for "Logout" and "petkraw".

The left sidebar menu includes:

- Dashboard
- Manage Files
- Filter VCF
- My GeneTalk
- Search GeneTalk
- Gene-Talk Blog
- Documentation
- About

The main content area is titled "View VCF" and displays the following information:

File: 1930.1931.1932_denovo.vcf

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Variants: 24

Buttons: Filter further, Download, Filter report, Mutation report, Language: English [Edit]

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Page navigation: Page 1/1, Go to page 1

Position navigation: Chrom - : Pos 0, Go to position

Table of variants:

| Chrom | Pos | dbSNP ID | Gene | Ref | Genotype Sample_ID137-1930-4 (Unaffected) | Genotype Sample_ID137-1931-0 (Affected) | Genotype Sample_ID137-1932-12 (Unaffected) | Effect | Annotate | more | |
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Fetus with Skeletal Dysplasia

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