### Missouri's Experience with Full Population Pilot Screening for Pompe, Gaucher, Fabry and MPS-I Disorders

### **Utilizing Digital Microfluidics Technology**



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# Thank You to New York's NBS Laboratory!



### The Krabbe Screening Experts

# **MO LSD Statewide Pilot Screening**



Krabbe (GALC) Niemann-Pick (ASM)



# **Implementation Process**

- Contract procurement (reagent rental)
- Installation and training
- Familiarization
- Validations
- Pre-pilot phase to collect data on de-identified samples for normal ranges and startup cutoffs
- Full population pilot/implementation phase testing with referral and confirmation of positives
- Live testing with reporting on all NBS laboratory reports

### 2 Work Stations 8 Digital Microfluidics (DMF) Platforms



### Open Platform



### 48 Well Sample Cartridge



### **Workflow for LSD Testing in MSPHL**



#### Punch DBS samples

(15 min per 96-well plate) Single punch for 4-plex assays.



Extraction (30 min at RT) Load filler fluid in cartridges. Thaw reagents during extraction.



Loading (5 min per machine)

Load samples (3.5µL), reagents (12µL) and stop buffer in each cartridge.



Machine run time (2.5 h for 4-plex assay)

After 2.5h remove the cartridge from the instrument and get ready for next run.

- 2 scientists currently working on 2 work stations of 8 instruments
- 48 sample wells assayed per instrument
  - > 10 controls (2 blanks, 4 calibrators, 2 low controls and 2 medium controls)
  - 38 patient samples
- Sample punch to enzymatic activity results in ~4 hrs

### **Enzyme Reaction in DMF Method**

### Artificial Substrate + Enzyme Product 4MU + +**DBS extract (GAA)** Glucose 4MU-α-D-Glucopyranoside Low Fluorescence = low GAA**High Fluorescence = normal GAA activity Positive Pompe Screen!**

### **Each Cartridge Has 4 Calibrators**

#### Calibration



Concentration

Concentration	Α	В
0.0375	104.29	102.23
0.075	196.57	193.99
0.15	386.82	380.51
0.3	763.54	757.61
Slope	Intercept	R^2
2506.79	8.18	0.9999

### **Quality Control Monitor for Run**

#### 48x4v10 QC Report





### **Results Screen**

#### Results

Sample	Location	IDUA (µmol / L / h)	GAA (µmol / L / h)	GBA (µmol / L / h)	GLA (µmol / L / h)	
Sample Mean		22.77	23.92	20.80	24.74	0000
CDCBP281	A02	3.51	1.60	2.39	3.87	00000000
CDCL282	A03	5.13	3.64	2.72	5.49	
CDCM283	A04	24.16	22.73	10.18	37.34	
CDCH284	A05	39.48	33.50	12.92	54.95	
14036	A06	37.31	9.91	35.37	94.67	Desitive Demos
14036	A07	28.92	8.33	35.84	86.73	Positive Pompe
14036	A08	7.60	8.35	9.88	7.32	in duplicate
14036	A09	9.09	10.60	11.93	9.46	
QCM	A10	12.62	12.22	6.29	31,67	00000000
QCL	A11	5.71	5.87	4.00	10.83	00000000
14037	B10	17.84	22.80	20.31	11.81	00000000
14037	B11	23.80	33.63	20.42	14.29	00000000
14037	B12	21.91	33.57	20.52	9.83	00000000
14037	C02	19.67	6.20	18.58	22.28	00000000
14037	C03	18.38	5.55	17.93	20.06	000000000
14037	C04	12.15	12.77	12.39	8.59	66666666
14037	C05	12.08	11.59	10.59	7.90	00000000
14037	C06	21.74	19.23	32.69	11.43	00000000
14037	C07	12.15	14.52	20.72	8.10	
14037	C08	23.08	29.23	25.47	27.50	
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#### Yellow = Instrument Cutoff

**Red = Referral Cutoff** 

# **Health Status Effect**

**Gaucher - Full-term vs. Preterm** 



### **Health Status Effect**

**Pompe - Full-term vs Premies** 



# **Health Status Effect**

Fabry - Full-term vs. Preterm



### Enzyme Median Activities By Age at Collection



### **Median Enzyme Activities**



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### Missouri LSD Pilot/Implementation Phase Totals 10/21/14

Disorder	Screen Positives	Confirmed Disorders	Conditions of ??? Significance or ??? Onset	Pseudo- deficiencies	Carriers	False Positives	Pending	Lost to Follow-up	PPV
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Pompe	68	(5 infantile, 7 late)	3	10	11	16	15	1	29%
Gaucher	19	1	2	0	2	13	1	0	17%
Fabry	95	35	7	0	0	39	8	6	51%
MPS-I	65	1	0	23	4	28	8	1	2%
Krabbe	32	0	8	0	24	0	0	0	25%
Aggregate	279	49	20	33	41	96	32	8	29%

Total Samples Screened for LSDs in MO NBS lab as of 10/21/14 = 163,528 (~136,500 births)

Total Samples Screened for Krabbe via NY as of 10/21/14 = 195,595 (~ 169,000 births)

PPV = CP / TR - Pending & Lost

PPV (Positive Predictive Value) CP (Confirmed Positive) TR (Total Referred)

# **False Positive Rate**

- Pompe = 0.02%
- Gaucher = 0.01%
- Fabry = 0.02%
- MPS-I = 0.03%
- Krabbe = 0.01%

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# **Important Laboratory Findings**

- Enzyme activities drop slightly during the first 2 weeks of age and then stabilize after 14 days-of-age. Need age-related cutoffs for older babies.
- Premature babies can have altered LSD enzyme levels. The repeat screens may be more reliable on these.
- Multiplexing with other enzyme assays greatly helps assess quality of sample and risk for referral.
- Some seasonal variation is observed with enzyme activities, similar to GALT assay in that more carriers and pseudo-deficiencies will be detected during higher heat and humidity months.
- We are very pleased with the performance of this screening method, the ease at which it can be incorporated into the NBS laboratory, and the ease at which it can conducted.

# Missouri's Follow-up

- Four contracted referral centers
- The designated referral center contacts the primary care physician
- A plan is developed and appointments made with a genetic disease specialist and other related pediatric specialists
- Confirmatory testing is completed and treatment/management started based on developed guidelines

# **Follow-Up Lessons Learned**

- Screening and confirmation for Lysosomal disorders are complex
- Follow-up guidelines may need to be flexible
- Frequent communication between the specialists has been helpful
- Having a close relationship with the appropriate pediatric specialists is key

# **Follow-Up Challenges**

- How to communicate to parents the unknown onset or unknown risk diagnosis
- How to follow patients with unknown onset and unknown risk diagnoses
- What are the implications of testing unaffected siblings for the variants of unknown risk?
- Detection of Pseudo-deficiency and Carriers
- Lost to follow-up

# **Detected on 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of Pilot**

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NBS for Pompe has been recommended by the DACHDNC to be added to the core panel of screening disorders.

Gavin's Story is on the Save Babies Through Screening Foundation website.

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