

# **Case Presentations in Primary Immune Deficiency Diseases**

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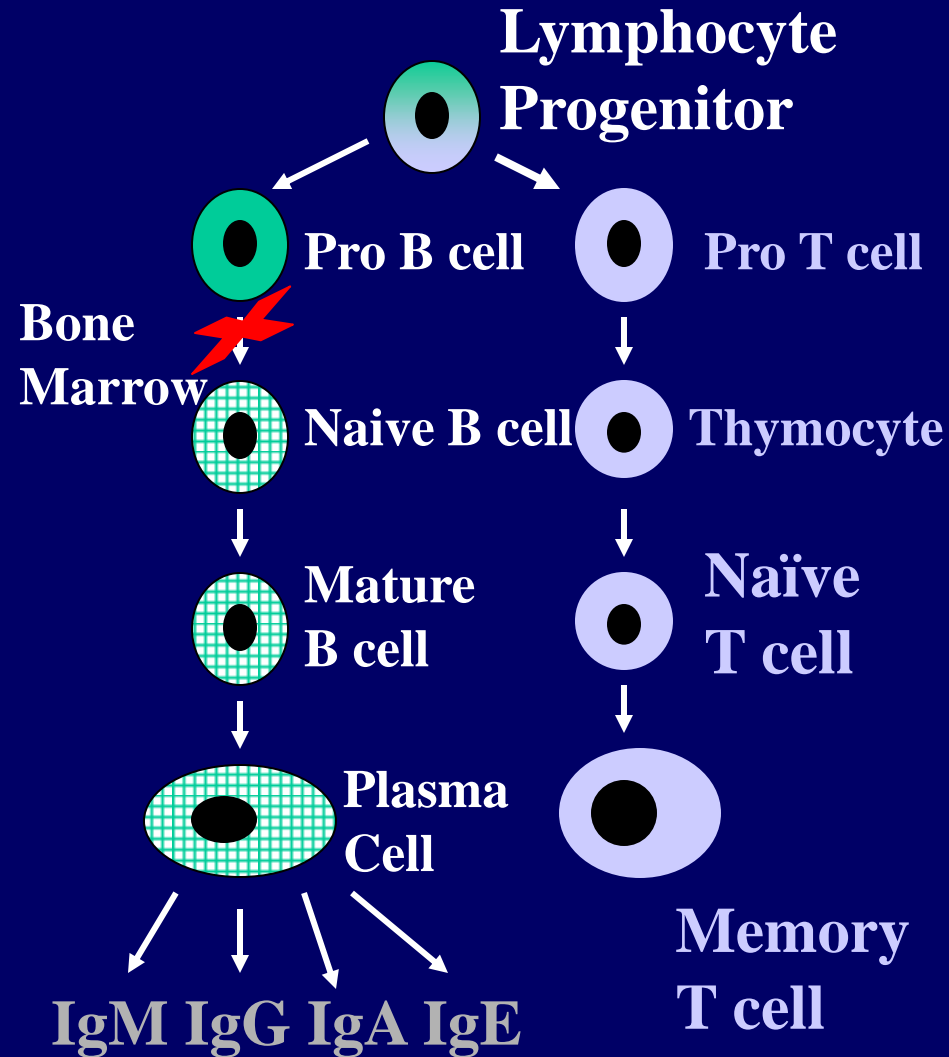
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# Pseudomonas Sepsis



- 15 mo male in good health until age 12 mo
- 3 episodes of OM
- Initial hospitalization for fever, pneumonia, meningitis, and illustrated rash
- Cultures positive for *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
- Leukocytosis with PMN predominance

# X-linked Agammaglobulinemia



- **Maturation arrest in Pre-B cell development**
- **No Circulating CD19 or CD20 B lymphocytes**
- **All Immunoglobulins decreased**
- **T cell Development is Normal**
- **Mutation in B cell specific *Src* associated tyrosine kinase (BTK)**

# Infant with Neutropenia, Fever, and Splenomegaly

- The 14 mo with thrombocytopenia, neutropenia, autoimmune hemolytic anemia with fever, enlarged liver and spleen, “silver” hair, and abnormally light skin.
- Serum ferritin level 10,000





# Griscelli Syndrome with Hemophagocytic Lymphohistiocytosis

## Diagnostic Criteria for HLH

- Fever, splenomegaly,
- Cytopenia (Hb, plts, neutrophils)
- Hypertriglyceridemia or hypofibrinogeneia
- Hemophagocytosis (BM, Liver, LN, or CSF)
- Low NK activity
- Elevated ferritin (>500 mg/L)
- Abnormal sIL-2R in plasma



**18 mo male with eczema, chronic OM, polyarticular arthritis with this immunoglobulin profile:**

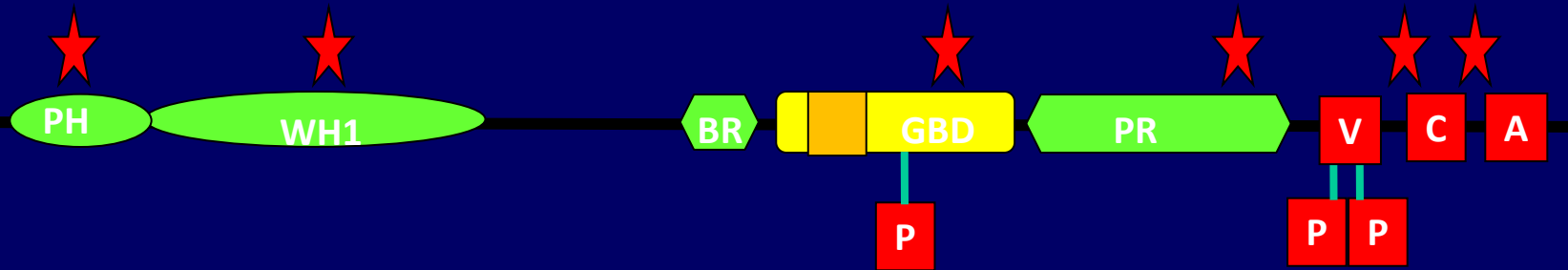
<u>Patient</u>	<u>Normal levels for age</u>
<b>IgG 445</b>	<b>383- 1030 mg/DL</b>
<b>IgA 255</b>	<b>27- 169 mg/DL</b>
<b>IgM 10</b>	<b>28- 113 mg/DL</b>
<b>IgE 335</b>	<b>0-180 IU/ml</b>

**You would expect which of the following laboratory findings in this child?**

- a) elevated serum creatinine**
- b) abnormal serum aldolase level (>15 mg/DL)**
- c) positive HIV ELISA**
- d) platelet count of <20,000/ul**

# Wiskott Aldrich Syndrome

Clinical phenotypes correlate with genotype in WAS:



Four Clinical Phenotypes resulting from mutations of WAS:

Wiskott Aldrich Syndrome

X-Linked Thrombocytopenia

Intermittent XLT

X-Linked Neutropenia

Mutations mostly exonic and distributed across gene

Effect on protein expression *generally*  
correlates with phenotype severity

Milder: some protein expressed

Severe: no protein expressed

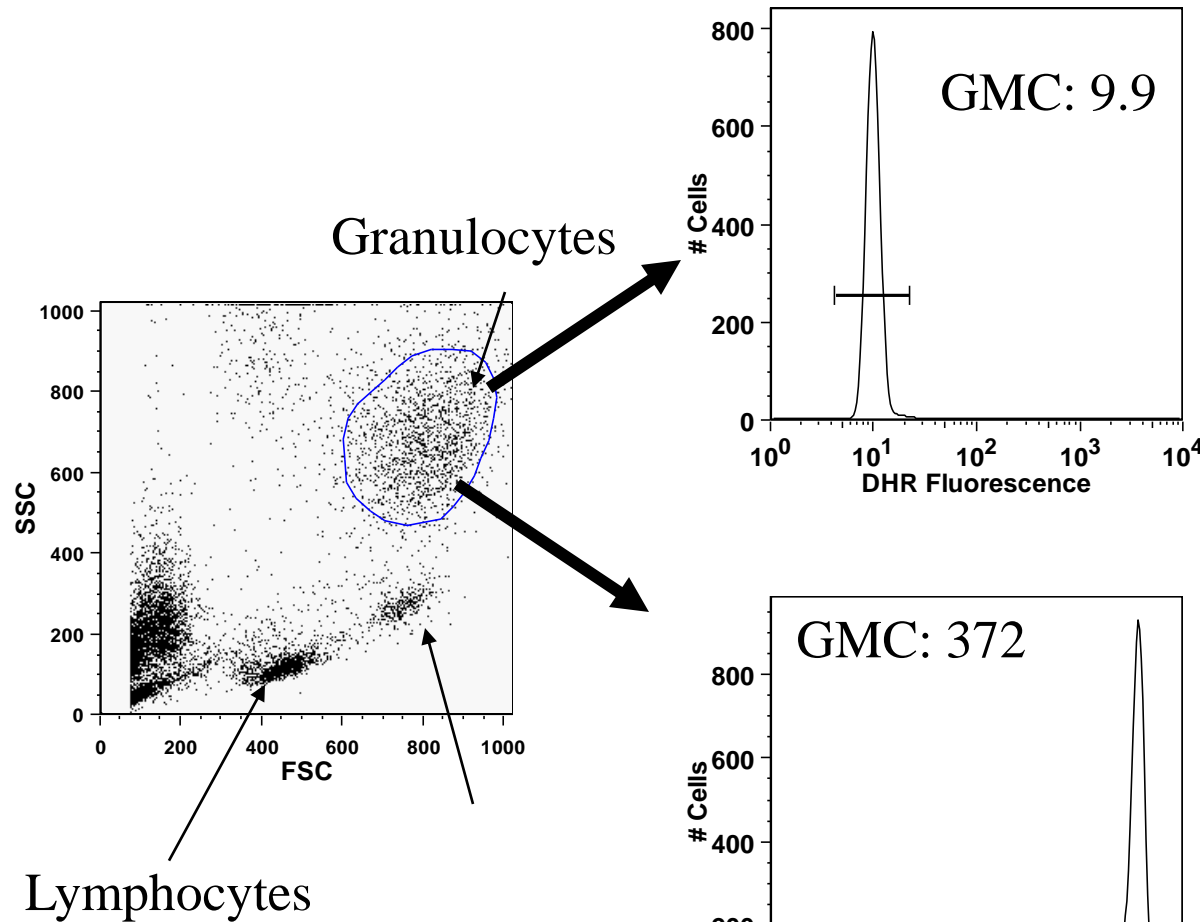


# *Staph aureus* Lymphadenitis





# Analysis of Granulocyte Respiratory Burst Using Dihydrorhodamine (DHR)



**Unstimulated cells**

**Stimulated with PMA**  
**SI = 376**  
**(Normal  $\geq 100$ )**

**Stimulation Index (SI) =**  
**non-stimulated GMC**  
 **$\div$  stimulated GMC**

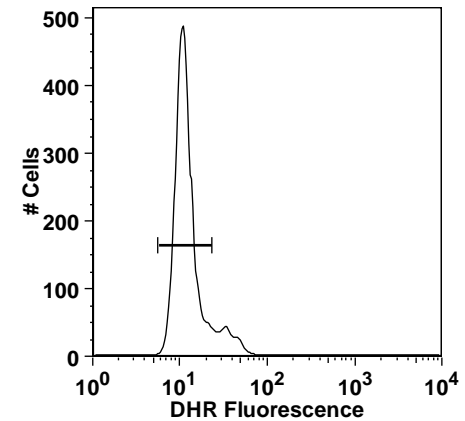
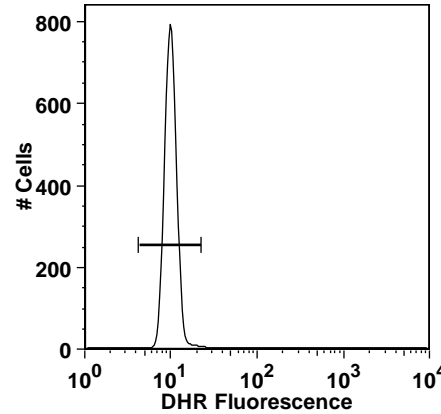
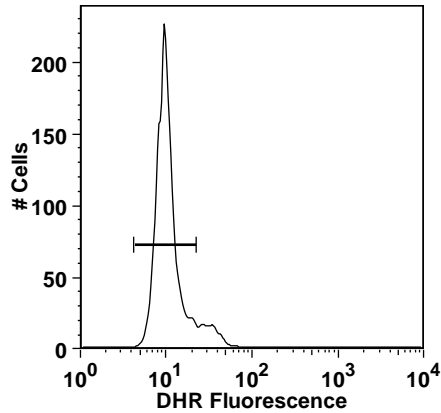
# ABNORMAL DHR RESULTS

*gp*<sup>91-</sup>  
(X-linked)

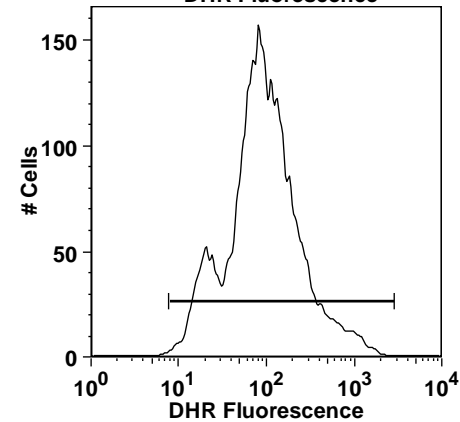
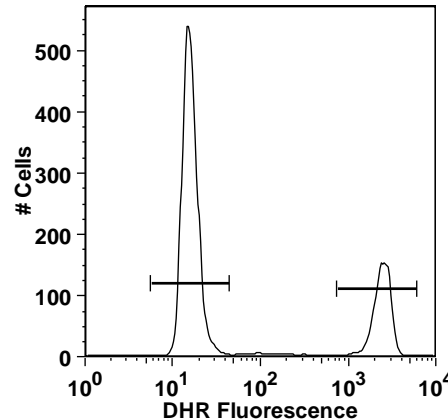
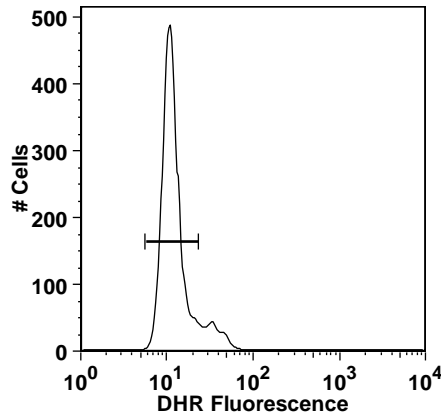
*gp*<sup>91-</sup>  
(female carrier)

*p*<sup>47-/-</sup>

Non-  
Stimulated



PMA  
Stimulated



SI = 1.1

peak #1 SI = 1.5  
peak #2 SI = 248

SI = 9.1

# Severe Combined Immune Deficiency



- PCP
- Failure to thrive
- Rash and Hepatitis following transfusion
- Normal total WBC
- Severe Lymphopenia

# SCID: ADA Deficiency (Defective Purine Salvage Pathway)

## NORMAL:



(toxic metabolite)  
deoxyAdenosine

+

Normal ADA



Deoxyinosine

NON-toxic



## Adenosine deaminase deficiency:

(toxic metabolite)  
deoxyAdenosine

+

ADA deficiency



accumulation of  
deoxyadenosine  
lymphocyte death



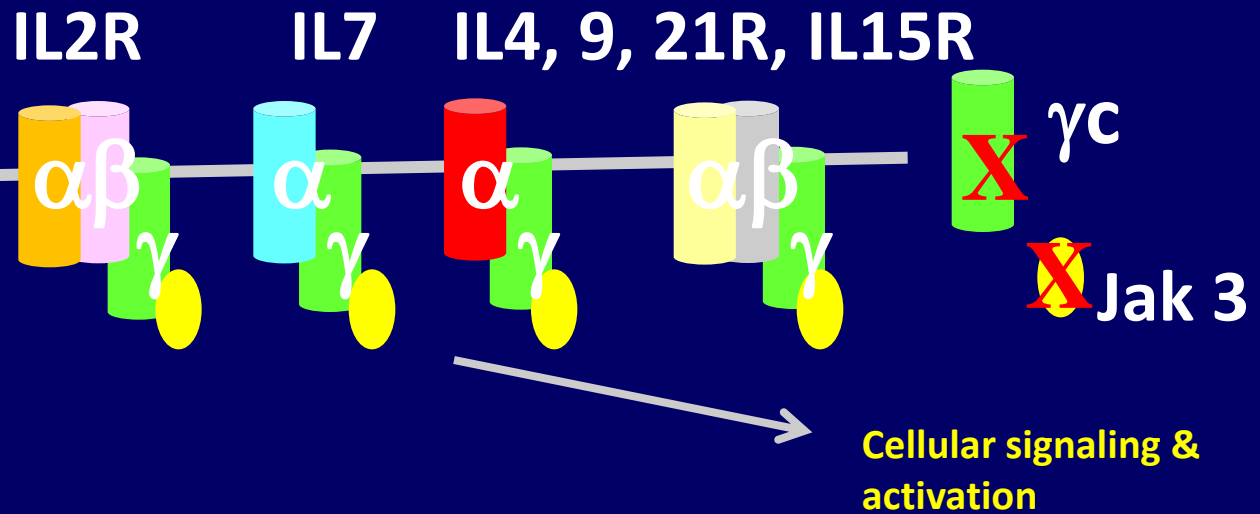
Absent T, B, or NK Cells

# Rash in a 4 month old



- **Failure to thrive**
- **Skin Biopsy shows perivascular lymphocytic infiltrate**
- **What are these cells telling you?**

# SCID with nonfunctional B cells: X-linked ( $\gamma c$ ) and Jak3

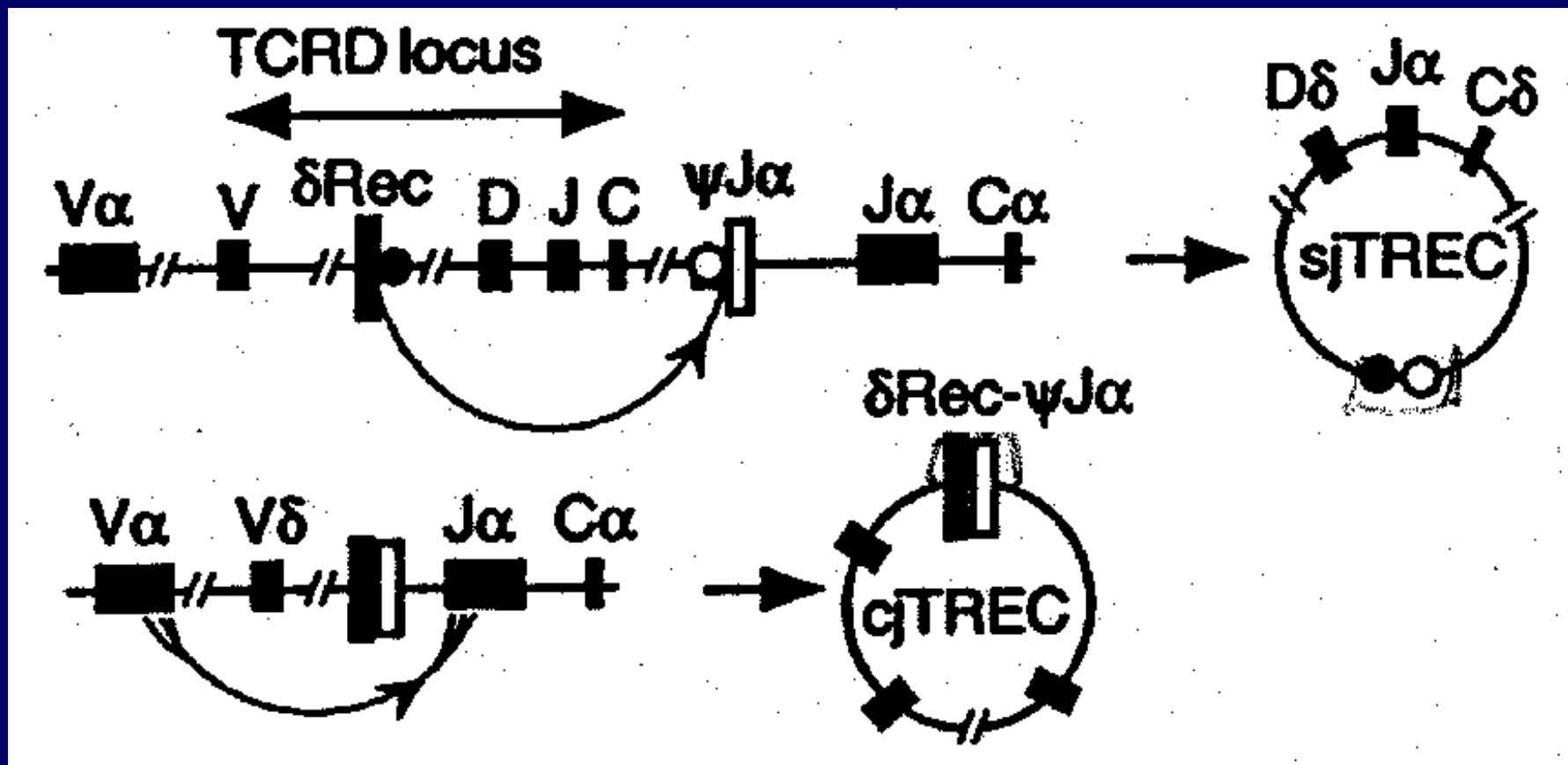


- Receptors for IL-2, 4, 7, 9, 15, 21 share common  $\gamma$  chain ( $\gamma c$ )
- Jak 3 is involved in intracellular signaling through  $\gamma c$
- Mutations in common  $\gamma$  chain cause X linked SCID (44%)
- Mutations in Jak 3 cause an autosomal recessive SCID (6%)
- Intracellular signaling through  $\gamma c$  and Jak 3 important in T cell and NK cell development
- Phenotype is T-,NK-,B+ SCID for both of these forms

# T/B/NK Phenotypes in SCID

Phenotype	Defect	Genetics
T <sup>-</sup> / B <sup>-</sup> / NK <sup>-</sup>	ADA Deficiency	AR
T <sup>-</sup> / B <sup>-</sup> / NK <sup>+</sup>	RAG Deficiency	AR
	Artemis	AR
T <sup>-</sup> / B <sup>+</sup> / NK <sup>-</sup>	$\gamma$ c IL-2R	X-linked
	Jak3	AR
T <sup>-</sup> / B <sup>+</sup> / NK <sup>+</sup>	IL-7 $\alpha$ R	AR
	CD3 $\delta\epsilon\zeta$ TCR	AR
	Complete Di George	AD

# TREC



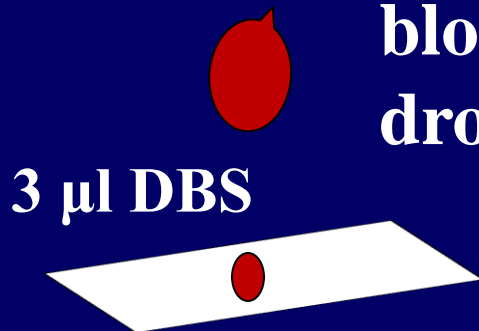


# TREC Assay for NBS

*Baker, et al, JACI 2009*



Screening  
all infants



blood  
drop

3  $\mu$ l DBS

Guthrie  
Card

3.2 mm punch

DNA extraction

RT-qPCR

$\delta$ Rec $\psi$ J $\alpha$ TREC primers  
 $\beta$  actin control

40 cycle Amplification

Median TRECs 827 copies  
Cutoff for SCID <25 copies

# T cell Deficiencies with abnormal TREC levels

- SCID subtypes: ADA, RAG1, Artemis, Jak3,  $\gamma$ cIL-2R (x-linked SCID), IL-7R $\alpha$ ,  $\zeta$ TCR, Zap70, reticular dysgenesis, CHH
- Non-SCID subtypes with low TREC: 22q Deletion Syndrome (DiGeorge), other thymic defects (CHARGE), Idiopathic T cell lymphopenia, extravascular T cells (chylothorax)