



# Pattern genetici e Farmacoterapia

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# Differente efficacia dei farmaci



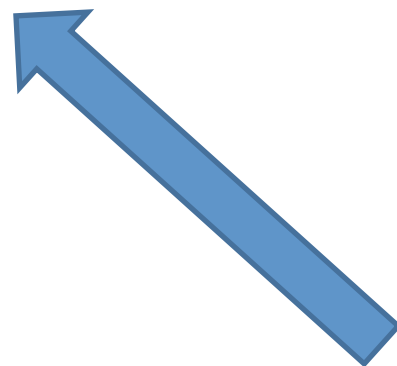
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Stessi sintomi,



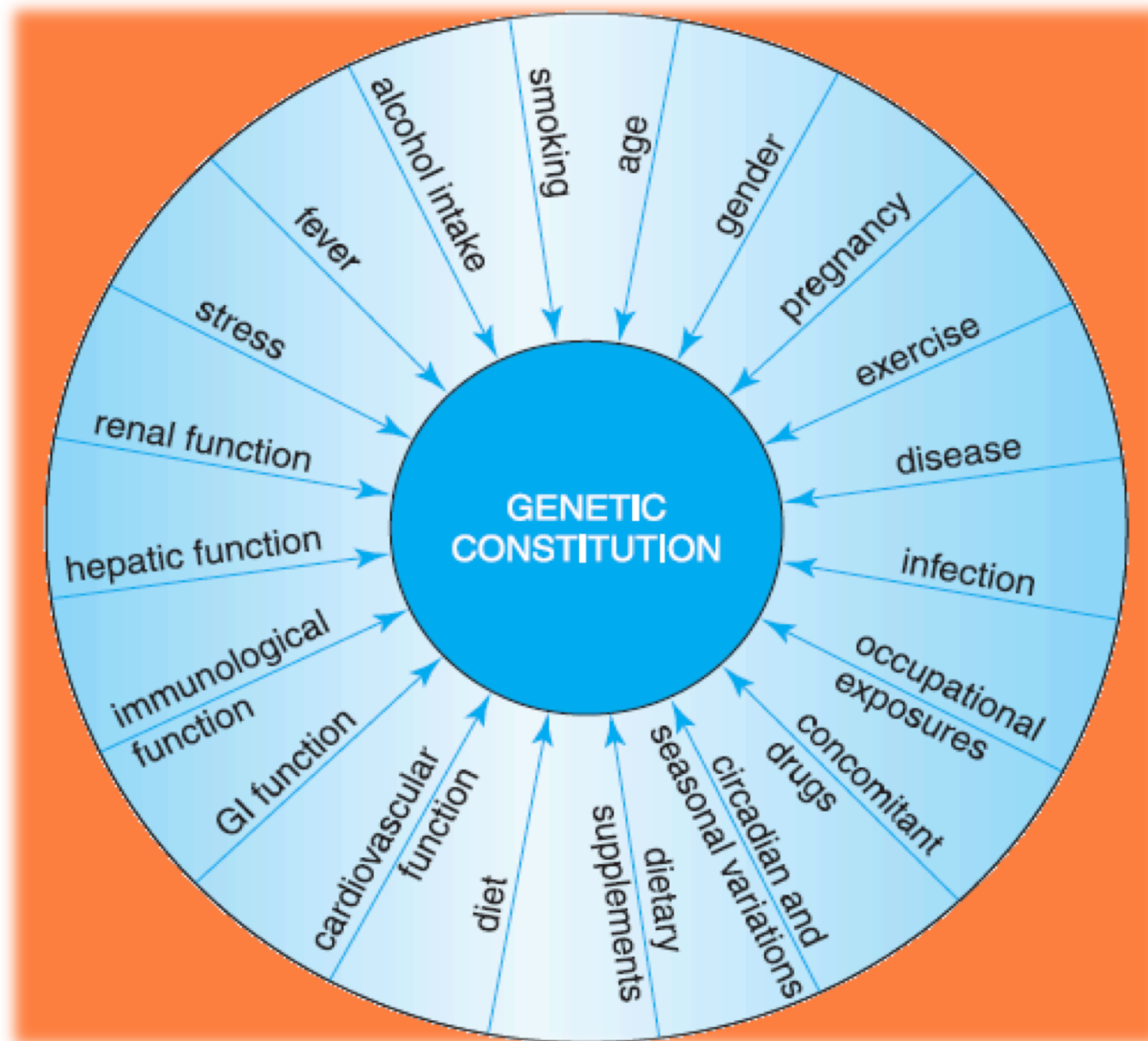
Stesso farmaco  
Stessa dose



Different Effects



Stesso paziente?



Exogenous & Endogenous factors contribute to variation in drug response

## CASO CLINICO

- **Giorno 1** - bambino maschio sano nato a termine, madre assume 30 mg di codeina / 500 mg di paracetamolo per dolore
- **Giorno 7** - difficoltà l'allattamento al seno e letargia
- **Giorno 11** - bambino, stazionario permane letargia
- **Giorno 12** - pelle grigiastra, allattamento difficoltoso
- **Giorno 13** - neonato trovato morto
- **concentrazione ematica di morfina** postmortem = 70 ng/ mL (normale in neonati allattati al seno da madri che assumono codeina 0-2-2 ng/mL)
- **analisi genotipo CYP2D6** – madre con duplicazione genica CYP2D6 \* 2x2 - metabolizzatore ultra-rapido
- i neonati generalmente hanno ridotta capacità di metabolizzare ed eliminare la morfina

**CODEINA**

Duplicazione CYP2D6 nella madre  
Alta concentrazione di morfina

CYP3A4

CYP2D6

**Morfina**

effetti  
oppioidi

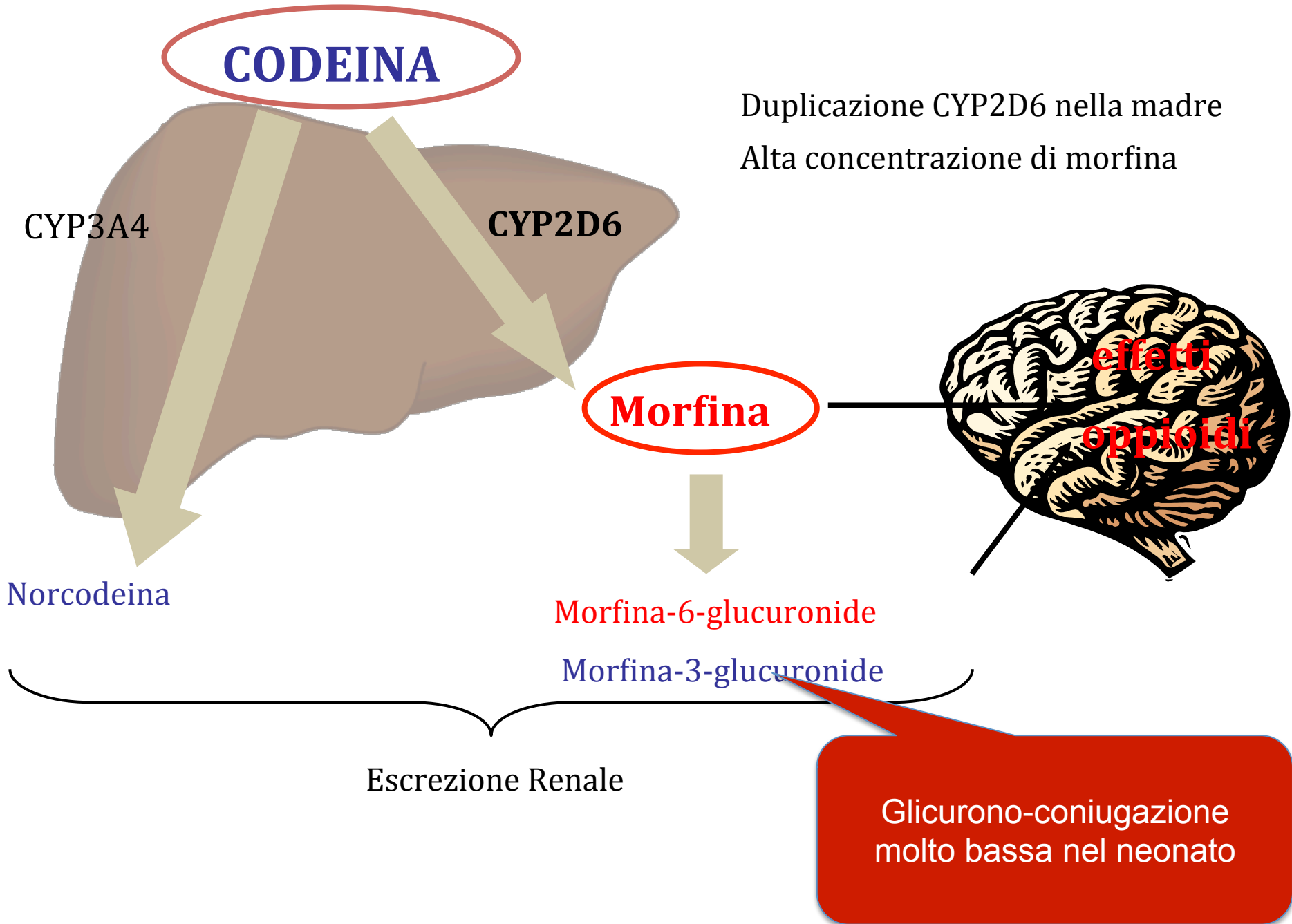
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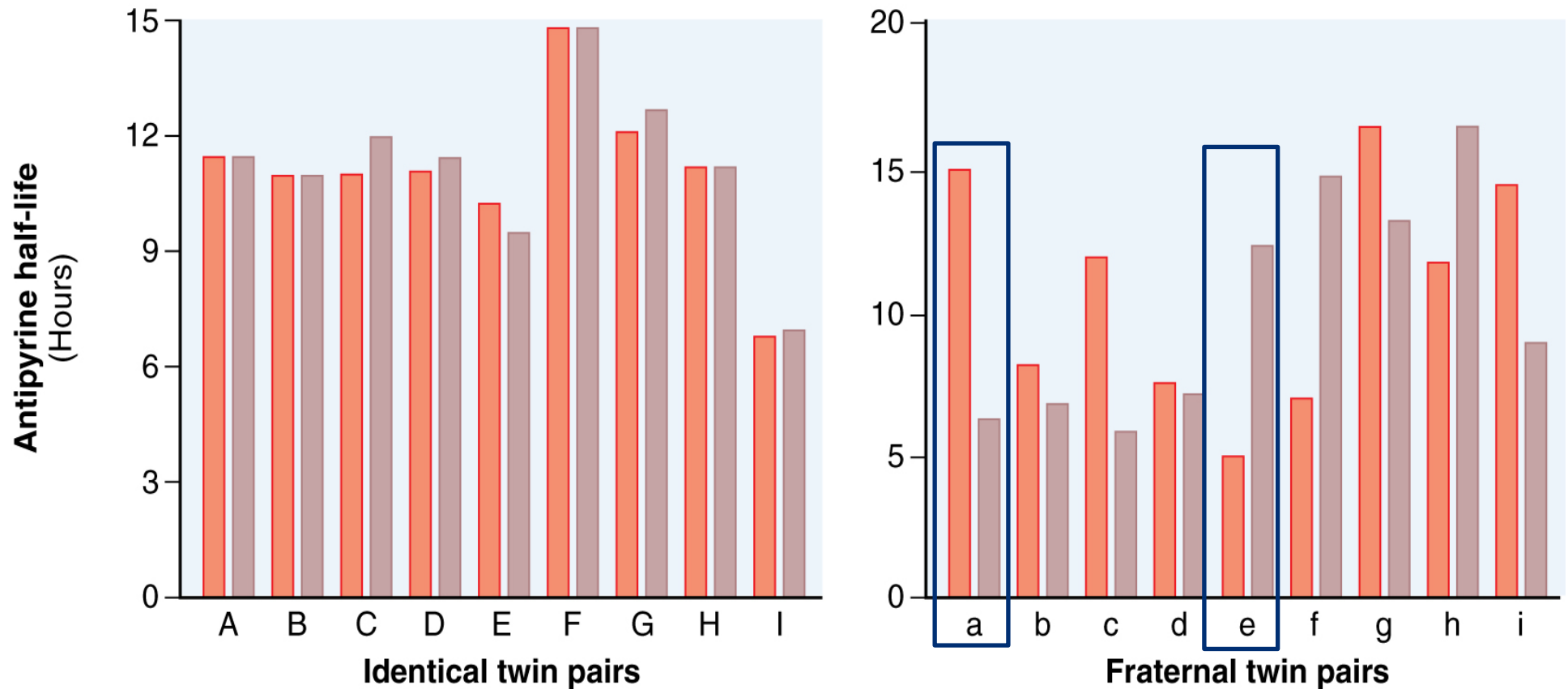
Morfina-6-glucuronide

Morfina-3-glucuronide

Escrezione Renale

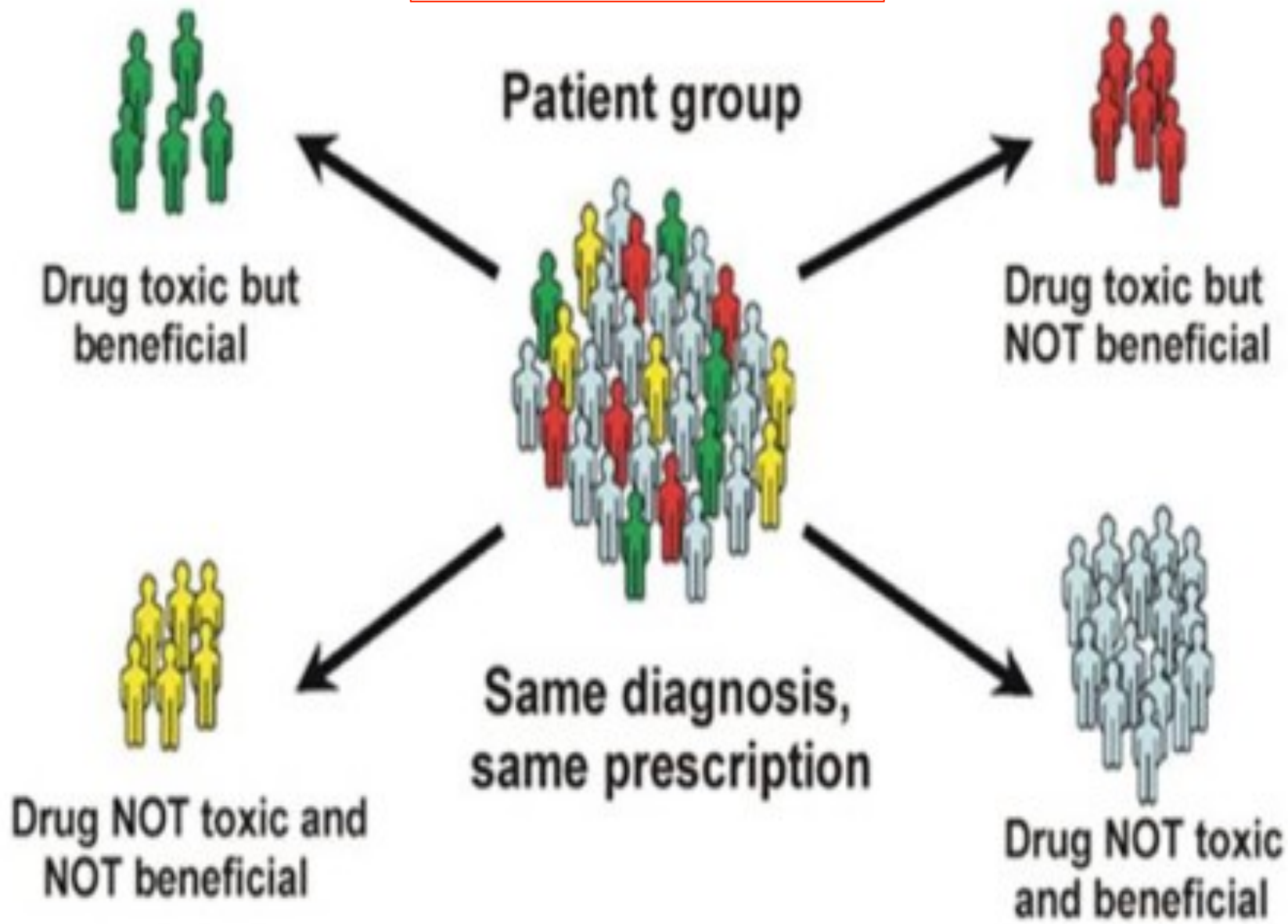
Glicurono-coniugazione  
molto bassa nel neonato



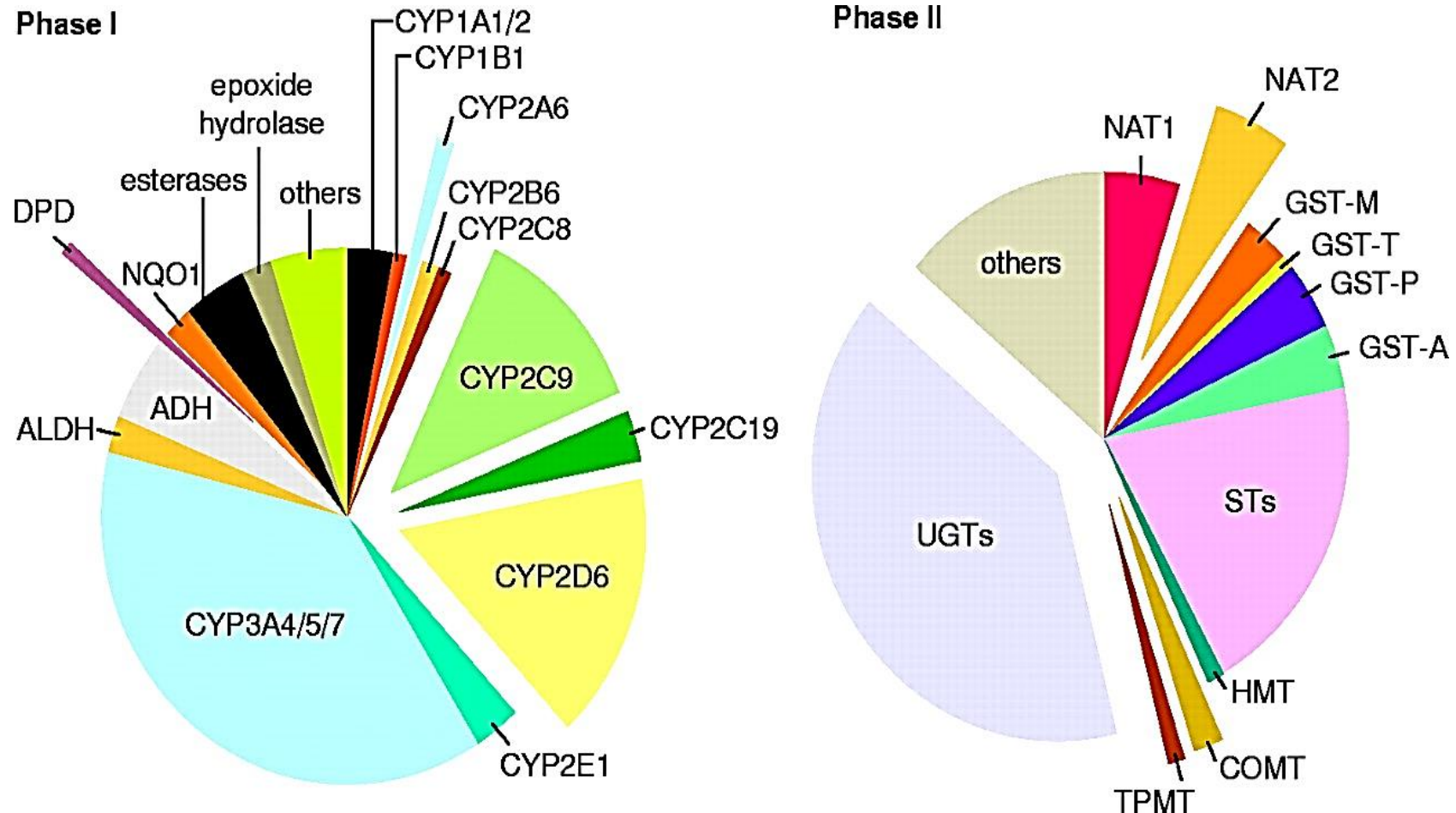


- Pharmacogenetic contribution to pharmacokinetic parameters.**  $t_{1/2}$  of antipyrine is more concordant in identical in comparison to fraternal twin pairs. Bars show the  $t_{1/2}$  of antipyrine in identical (monozygotic) and fraternal (dizygotic) twin pairs. (Redrawn from data in Vesell and Page, 1968.)

# Drug therapy



# DRUG METABOLIZING ENZYMES



**Phase I:** biotransformation reactions: oxidation, hydroxylation, reduction, hydrolysis

**Phase II:** conjugation reactions—to increase their water solubility and elimination from the body. The reactions are glucuronidation, sulfation, acetylation, glutathione conjugation



# GENETIC VARIATION

## Types of Polymorphisms

- Single Nucleotide

Polymorphism (SNP):

GAATT**T**AAG

GAATT**C**AAG

- Insertion/Deletion:

GAAAT**TT**CCAAG

GAAA[ ]CCAAG

**Duplicated or  
multiduplicated genes**



**mRNA-AAAA  
mRNA-AAAA  
mRNA-AAAA**



**Higher  
enzyme levels**



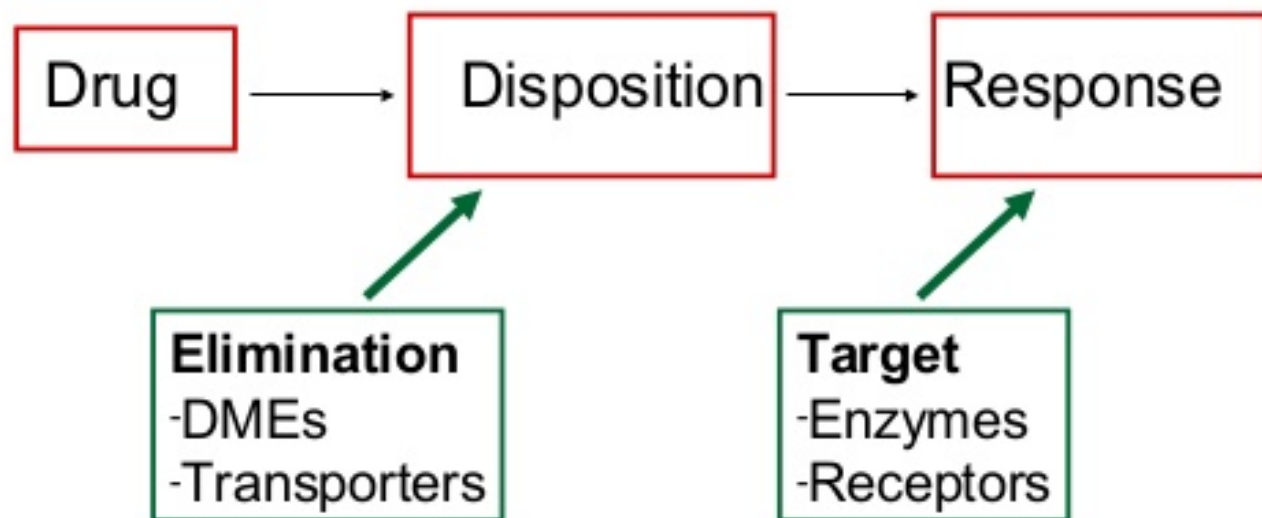
**Increased  
metabolism**

**CYP2D6\*2xN**

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## Pharmacogenetics

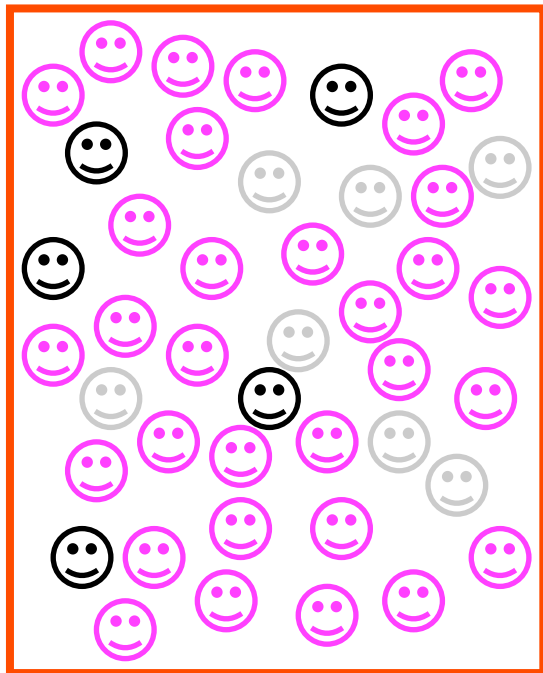
- **Definition:** how genes affect the way people respond to drug therapy.



# I pazienti rispondono in modo differente ai farmaci

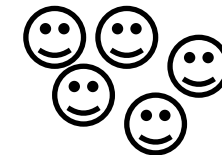
“One size does not fit all ...”

- ☺ Toxic responders
- ☹ Non-responders
- 😊 Responders



Patient population with same  
disease phenotype

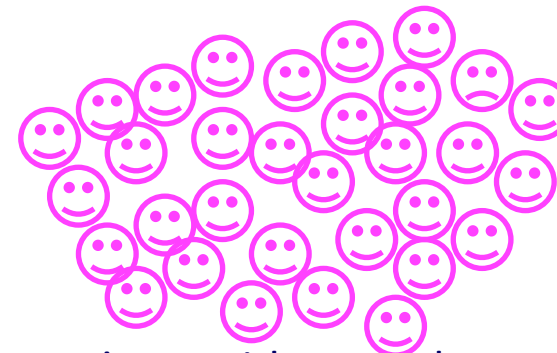
Genotyping



Patients with drug toxicity

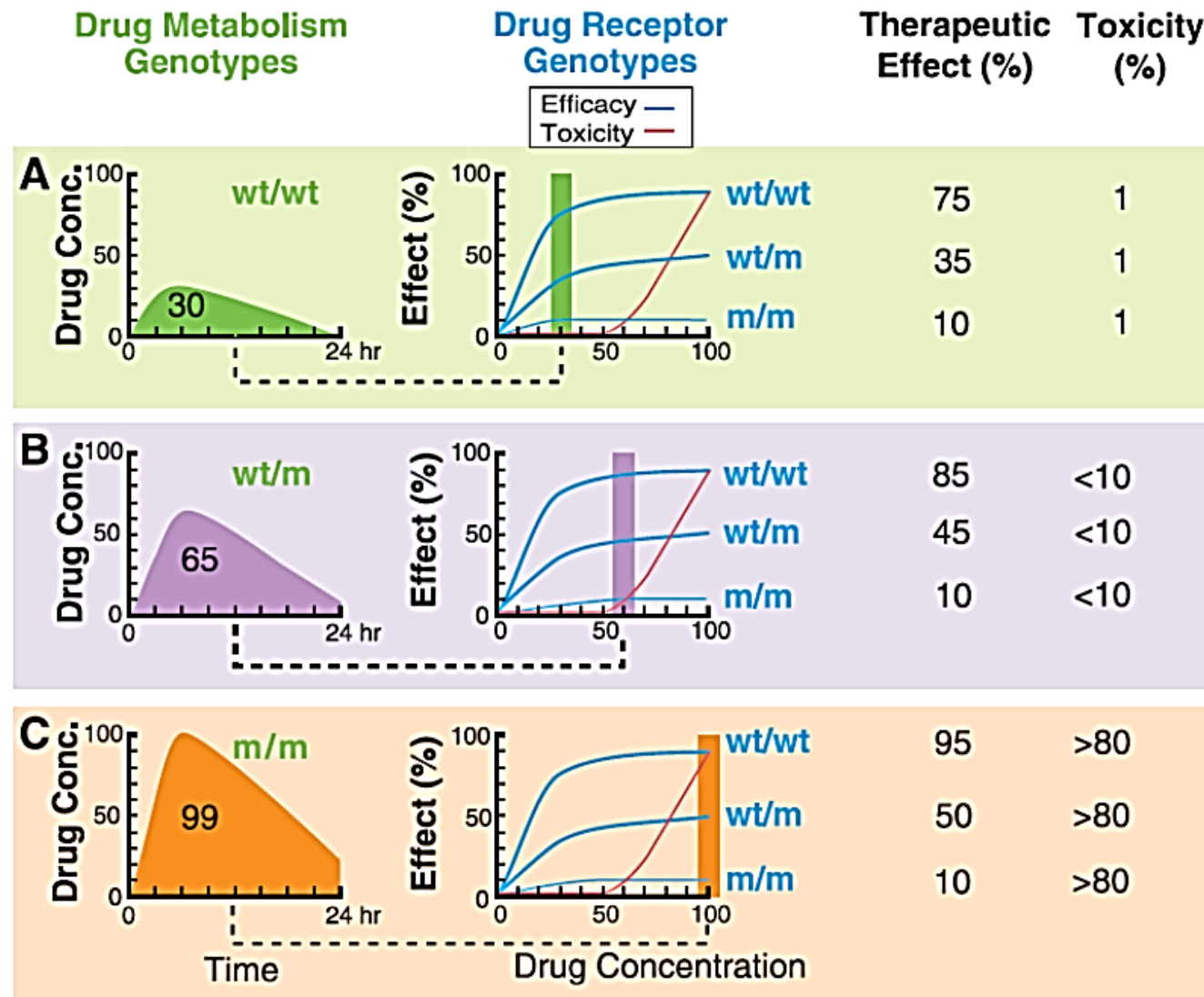


Patients with non-response to  
drug therapy

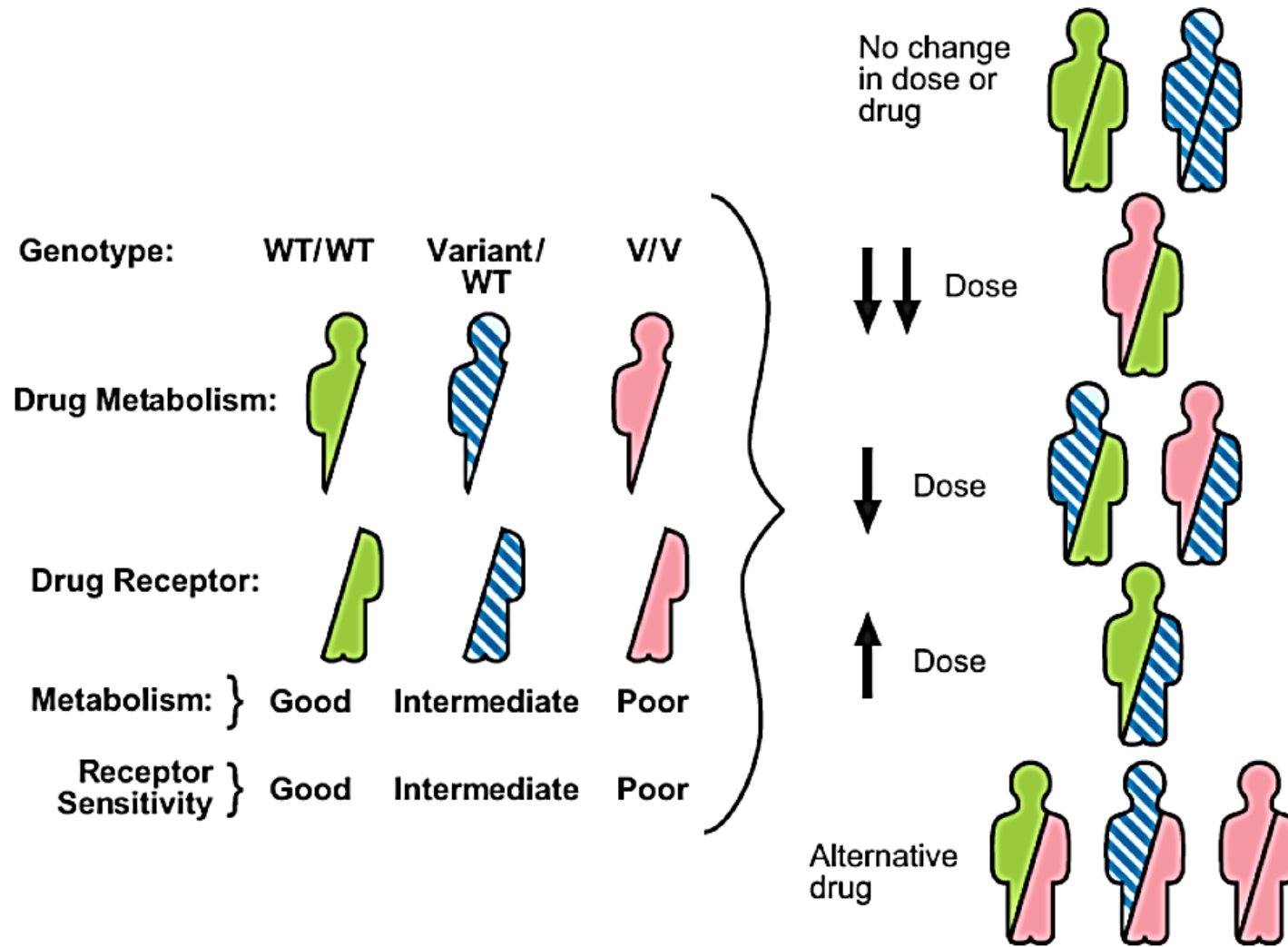


Patients with normal response  
to drug therapy

# Genetic Polymorphisms: Drug Concentration and Drug Effect



# Treatment Modifications and Patient Genotypes



## Common pain medications

# Pain Management

<b>Drug</b>	<b>Metabolic Route</b>
Alfentanil	CYP3A4/CYP3A5
Carisoprodol**	CYP2C19
Celecoxib	CYP2C9
Codeine**	CYP2D6
Cyclobenzaprine	CYP1A2, CYP3A4/CYP3A5
Fentanyl	CYP3A4/CYP3A5
Hydrocodone**	CYP2D6
Hydromorphone	UGT2B7
Ibuprofen	CYP2C9

<b>Drug</b>	<b>Metabolic Route</b>
Lidocaine	CYP1A2
Methadone	CYP2C19, CYP2B6 <sup>+</sup>
Morphine	UGT2B7 <sup>+</sup> (OPRM1)
Naproxen	CYP2C9
Oxycodone**	CYP2D6, CYP3A4/5
Oxymorphone	UGT2B7 <sup>+</sup> (OPRM1)
Ropivacaine	CYP1A2
Tizanidine	CYP1A2
Tramadol**	CYP2D6
Zolmipitran	CYP1A2

\*\*prodrug;

## LIMITI della farmacogenetica

- Targeting complesso se coinvolgimento di più geni
- Difficile e richiede tempo per identificare variazioni di geni poco noti
- Interazione con altri farmaci e ambiente da determinare



## Barriere della farmacogenetica

- Scarsità di laboratori di farmacogenetica
- Scarsa esperienza nei clinici
- Pochi farmacologi clinici con esperienza nell'adattamento della dose

# Personalized medicine

“Here is my sequence”



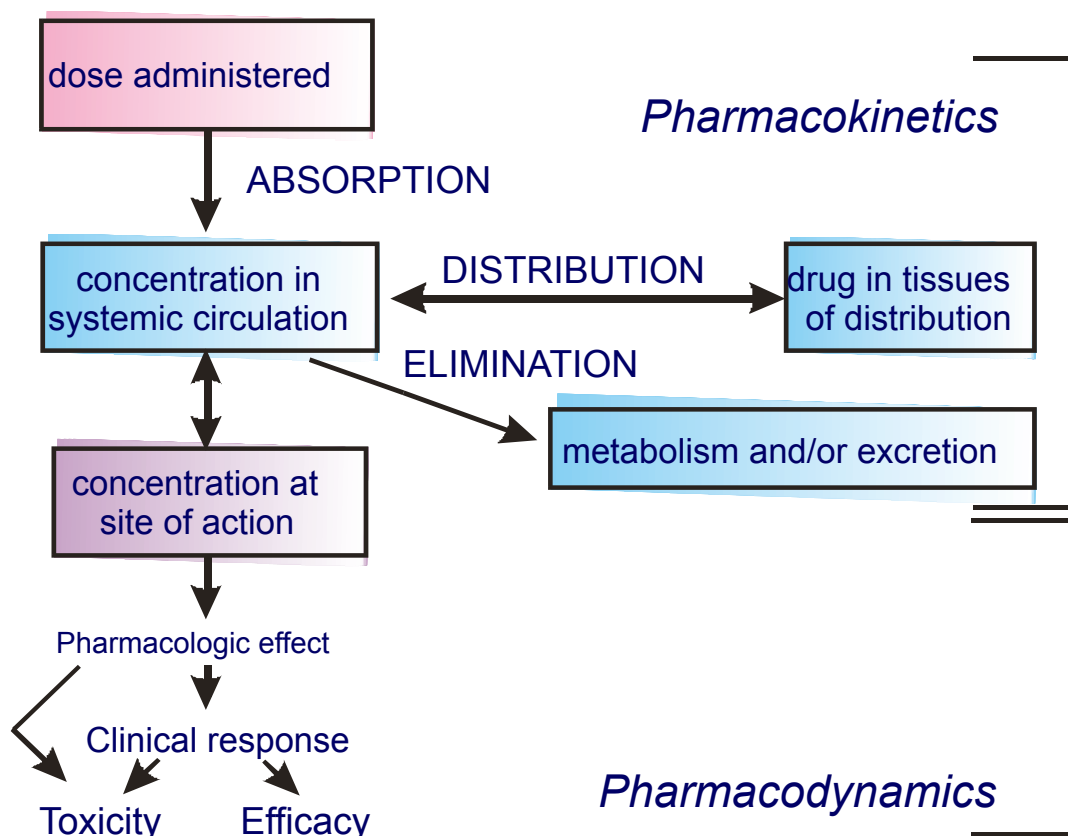
“Oh! She is a poor metabolizer”



- Grazie

# Determinants of Drug Efficacy and Toxicity

A patient's response to a drug may depend on factors that can vary according to the alleles that an individual carries, including :



## ➤ Pharmacokinetic factors

- Absorption
- Distribution
- Metabolism
- Elimination

## ➤ Pharmacodynamic factors

- Target proteins
- Downstream messengers