

Modern diagnosis of celiac disease

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Overview

- ❖ **history of celiac disease**
- ❖ **immunopathogenesis**
- ❖ **clinical picture**
- ❖ **diagnostic criteria**
 - ❖ **serology**
 - ❖ **histopathology**
- ❖ **new methods**
 - ❖ **genetics**
 - ❖ **Immunohistochemistry**
 - ❖ **serology**
- ❖ **future perspectives**

Background

- ❖ 1888 SJ Gee: Description of CD: On coeliac affection
- ❖ 1950 WK Dicke: Toxic effect of wheat
- ❖ 1959 M Shiner: Oral biopsy of intestinal mucosa
- ❖ 1969 ESPGHAN: Classic criteria
- ❖ 1989 ESPGHAN: Revised criteria
- ❖ 2005 NASPGHAN criteria
- ❖ possible new revisions

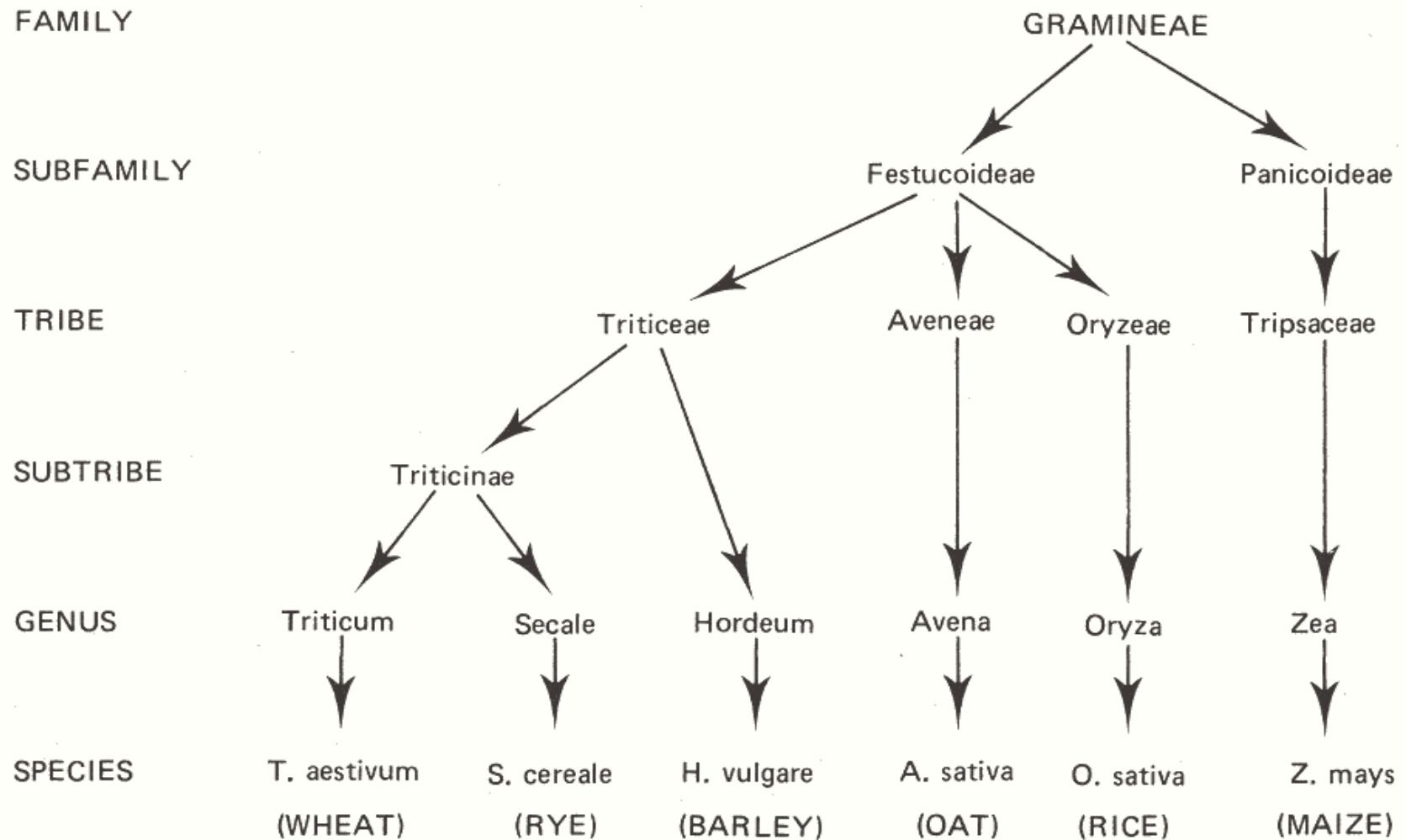
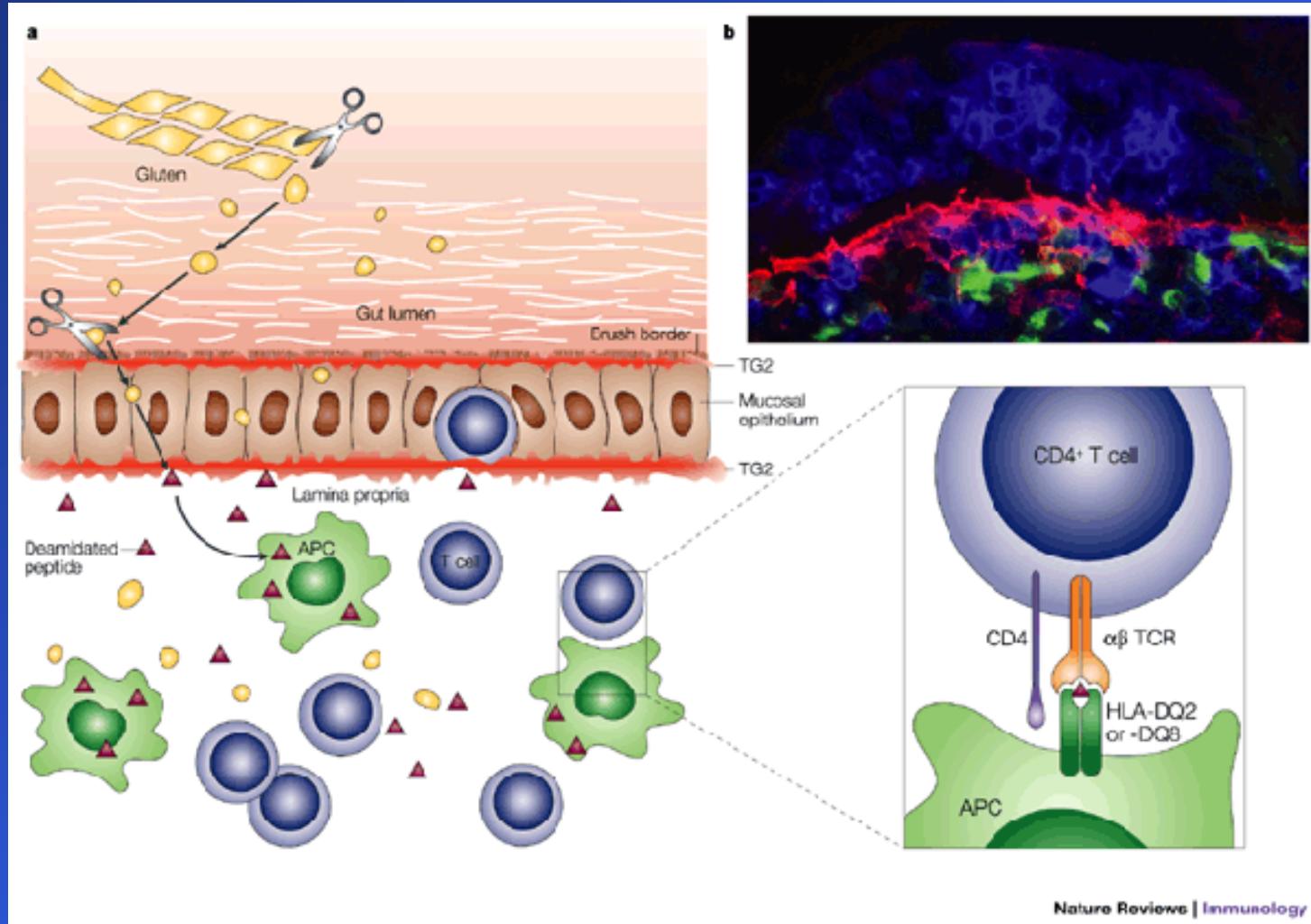
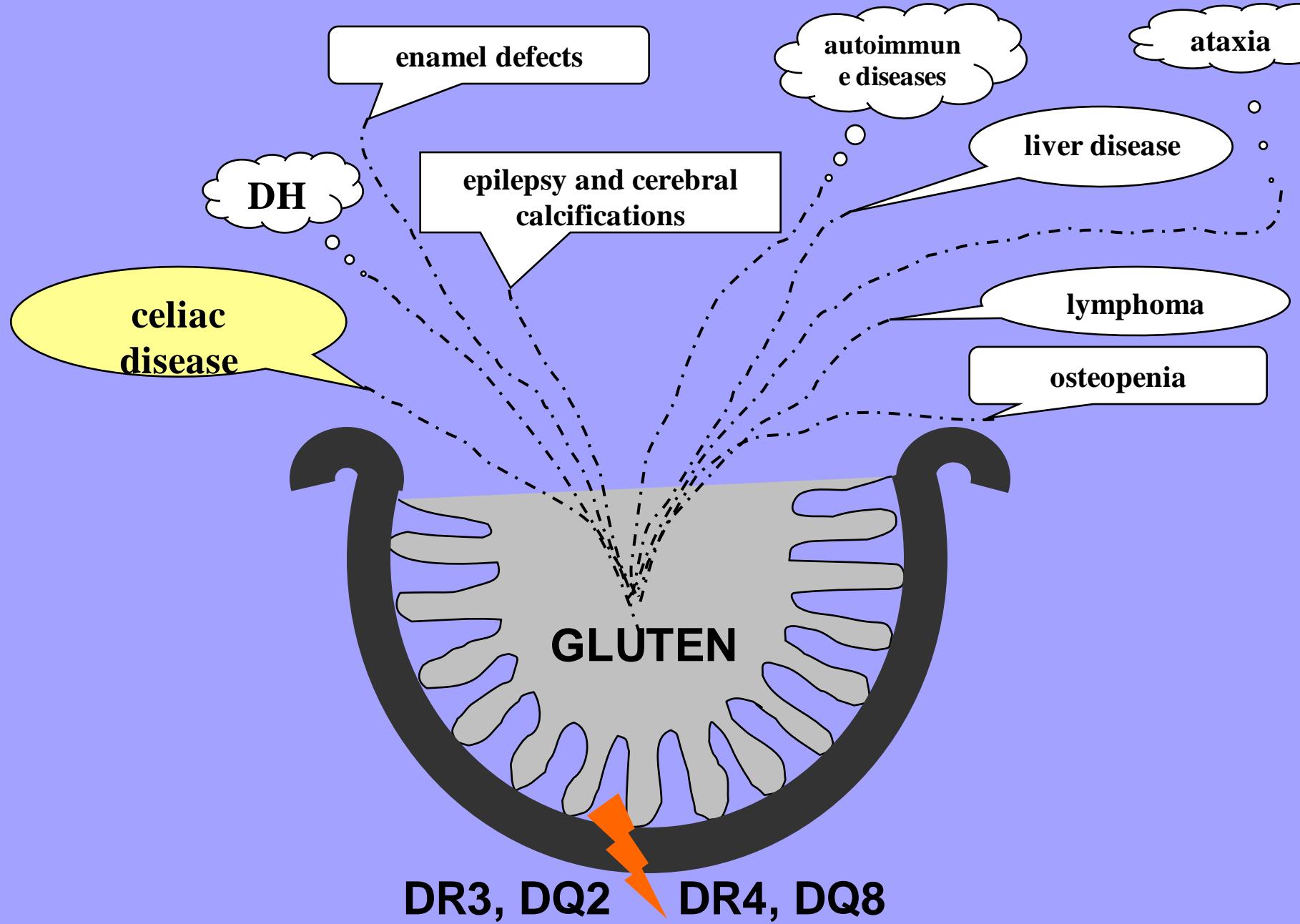


Fig. 7.2 Taxonomic relationships of major cereal grains (after Kasarda¹¹⁶)

Celiac disease and immunology

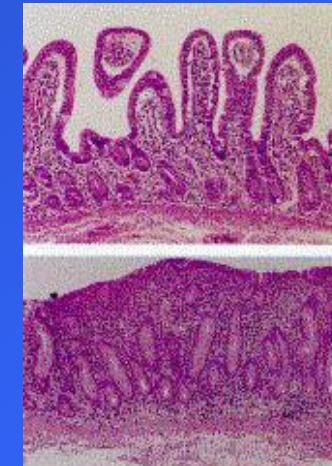




Diagnosis of CD

- ❖ **history**
- ❖ **physical examination**
- ❖ **serology**

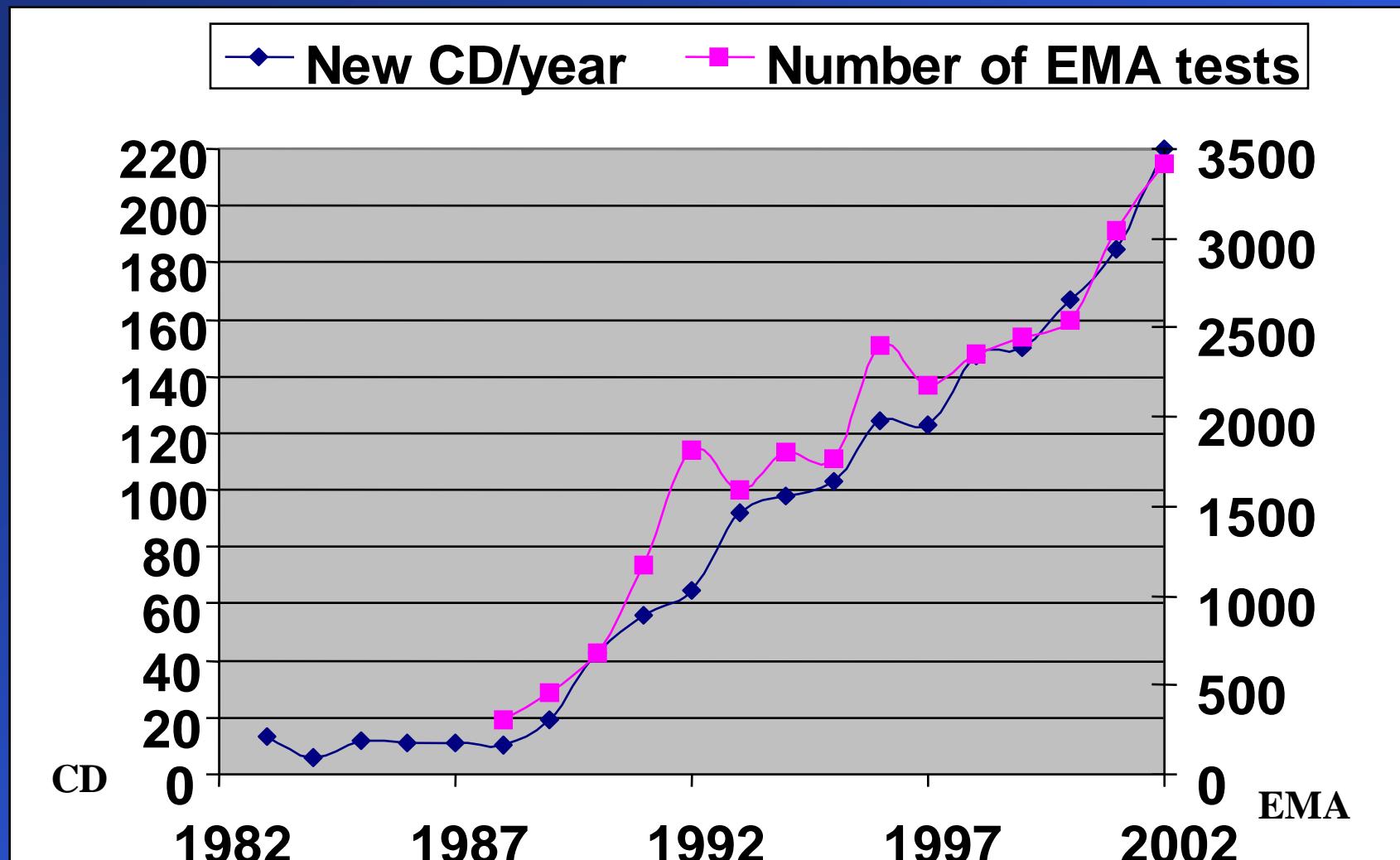
- ❖ **intestinal biopsy**
 - ❖ **histology**
 - ❖ **immunohistochemistry**



Diagnosis of CD

If you suspect it - you will detect it.

Serologic markers



Diagnosis of CD

- ❖ **Current golden standard**
 - ❖ **intestinal biopsy**
 - ❖ **tissue diagnosis of CD**
- ❖ **Diagnostic criteria**
 - ❖ **“classic criteria” ESPGHAN**
 - ❖ **3 biopsies**
 - ❖ **“revised criteria” ESPGHAN**
 - ❖ **1 biopsy**
 - ❖ **serological markers**
 - AGA, EMA, t-TG

Classic criteria ESPGHAN

- ❖ **intestinal biopsy – GOLDEN STANDARD**
- ❖ **life-long gluten intolerance**
- ❖ **abnormal mucosa when eating gluten**
- ❖ **normal mucosa after GFD**
- ❖ **deterioration after gluten reintroduction**
 - ❖ **gluten challenge**
- ❖ **3 biopsies**

Diagnostic tools

- ❖ **histology**
 - ❖ **aspiration capsule biopsy**
 - ❖ **endoscopic biopsy**



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Intestinal biopsy

- ❖ **Histologic changes**

- ❖ **mucosal atrophy**

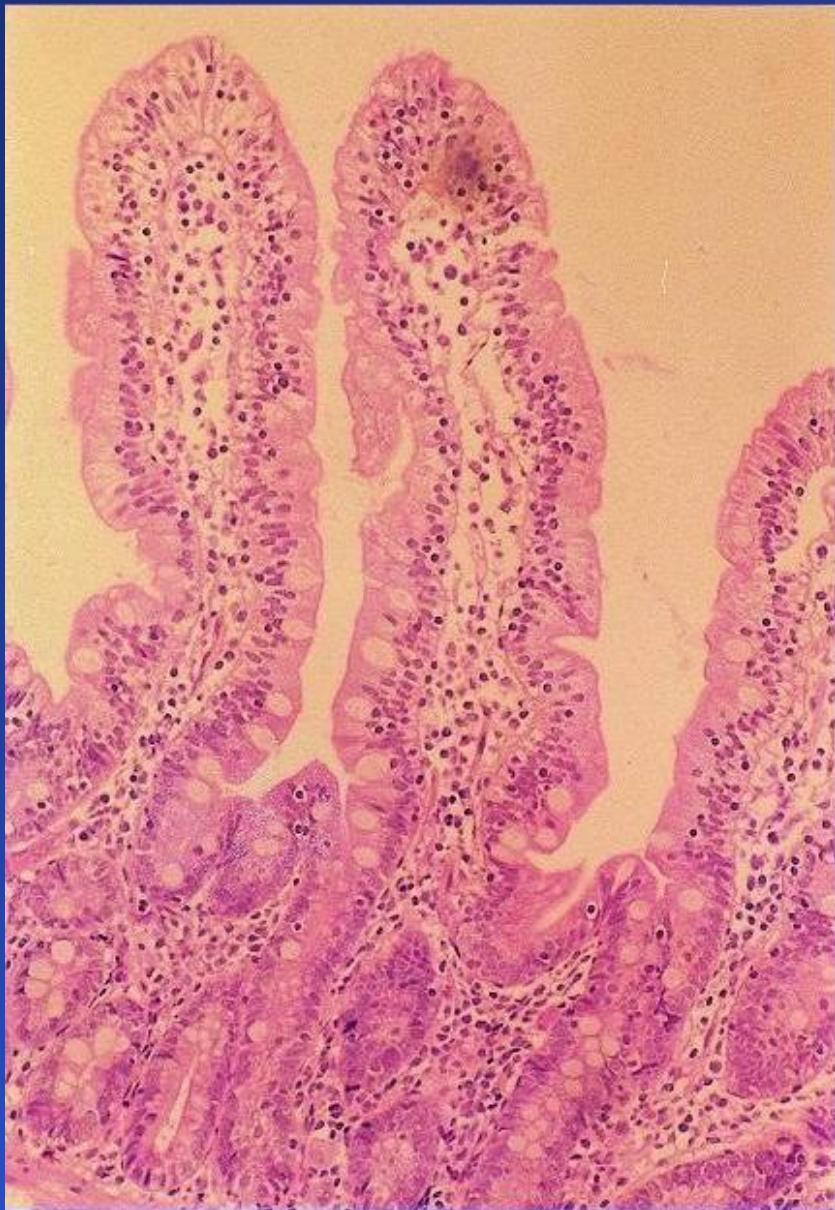
- ❖ **Marsh classification**

- ❖ **type 0: preinfiltrative phase**
 - ❖ **type 1: infiltrative phase**
 - ❖ **type 2: infiltrative-hyperplastic phase**
 - ❖ **type 3 (a, b, c): destructive phase**
 - ❖ **type 4: atrophic-hypoplastic phase**

- ❖ **villous atrophy, crypt hyperplasia, IEL count**

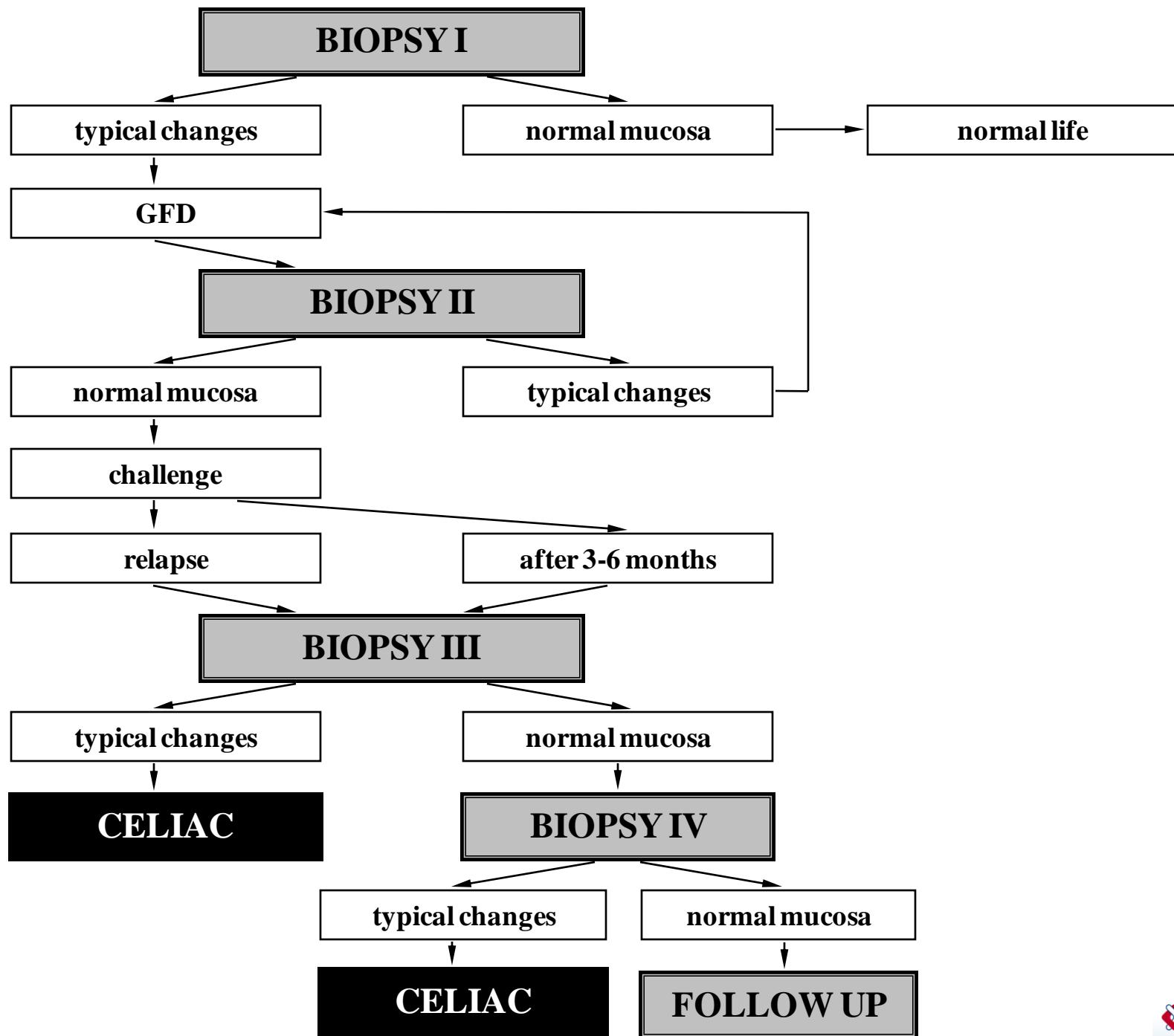
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Revised criteria ESPGHAN

- ❖ **intestinal biopsy – GOLDEN STANDARD**
- ❖ **abnormal mucosa when eating gluten**
- ❖ **clinical improvement after GFD**
 - ❖ **normalisation of serologic markers**
- ❖ **challenge no longer needed**
- ❖ **1 biopsy**
- ❖ **exceptions**
 - ❖ **uncertain initial diagnosis**
 - ❖ **children under age of 2**



Serologic markers

❖ Serologic markers

❖ AGA IgA and IgG

❖ ELISA, commercial kits

❖ EMA IgA

❖ indirect immunofluorescence, commercial kits

❖ substrate: monkey esophagus (umbilical cord)

❖ t-TG IgA (IgG)

❖ ELISA, commercial kits

❖ substrate: human recombinant t-TG

❖ deamidated gliadin IgA, IgG

❖ ELISA, commercial kits

❖ other Ab (ARA, JAB, antiglutenin)

❖ importance of total IgA determination

Children	Patients	Controls	IgA reticulin antibodies (ARA)		IgA endomysial antibodies (EMA)		
			Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity %	
Bottaro	1997	50	25	74	100	96	96
Hällström	1989	14	24	100	100	100	100
Kolho	1997	53	114	96	92	94	100
Lerner	1994	34	41	65	100	97	98
Mäki	1984	29	245	97	98		
Sacchetti	1996	32	42	94	100	97	100
Volta	1991	29	20	52	100	90	100

Adults

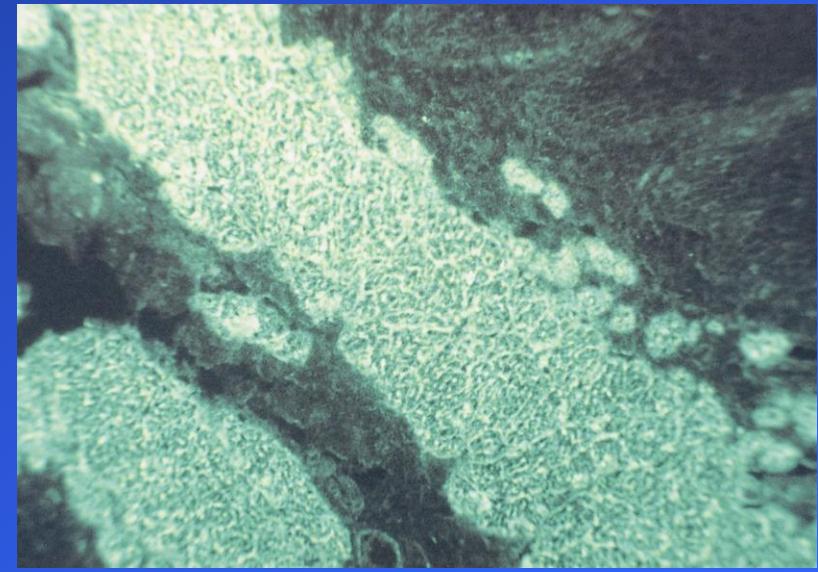
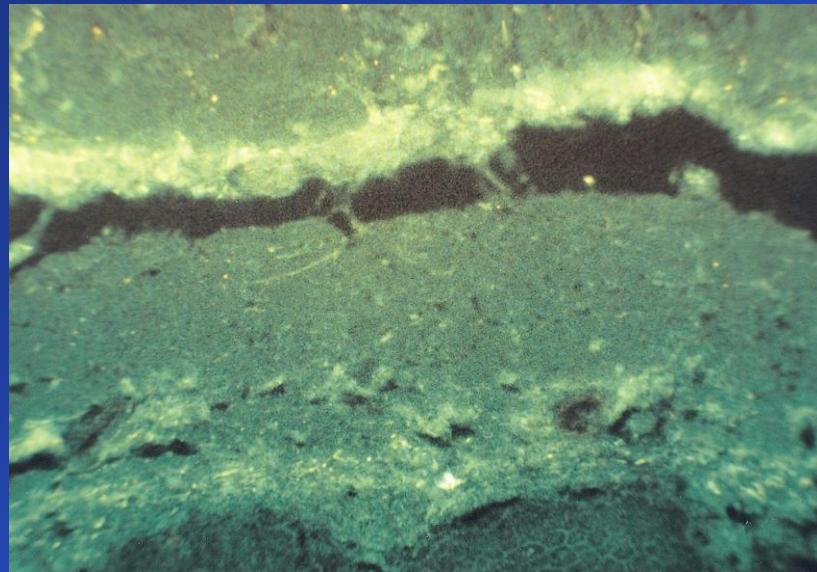
Ferreira	1992	21	160	90	99	100	99
Hällström	1989	35	145	91	100	91	100
Mäki	1991	13	109	92	95	92	95
Sategna-Guidetti	1997	104	94			95	100
Valdimarsson	1996	19	125			74	100
Volta	1991	41	20	44	100	85	100

Children	Patients	Controls	IgA gliadin antibodies		IgG gliadin antibodies	
			Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity
Asher	1990	36	92	97	92	
Bottaro	1997	50	25	92	68	50
Lerner	1994	34	41	52	94	88
Stahlberg	1986	31	278	90	86	94

Adults

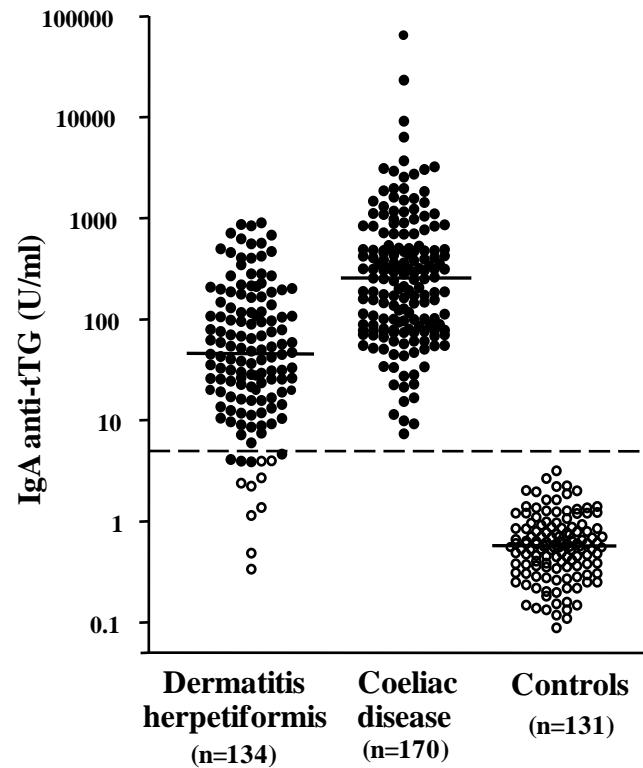
Bodé	1994	13	87	46	98	62	97
Ferreira	1992	21	160	90	85	76	88
Kilander	1983	36	54	67	94	78	94
Maki	1991	13	109	31	87	46	89
McMillan	1991	28	68	100	100	57	87
Sategna-Guidetti	1995	100	109	55	100	78	82
Vogelsang	1995	49	53	82	83	73	74

Serologic markers - EMA

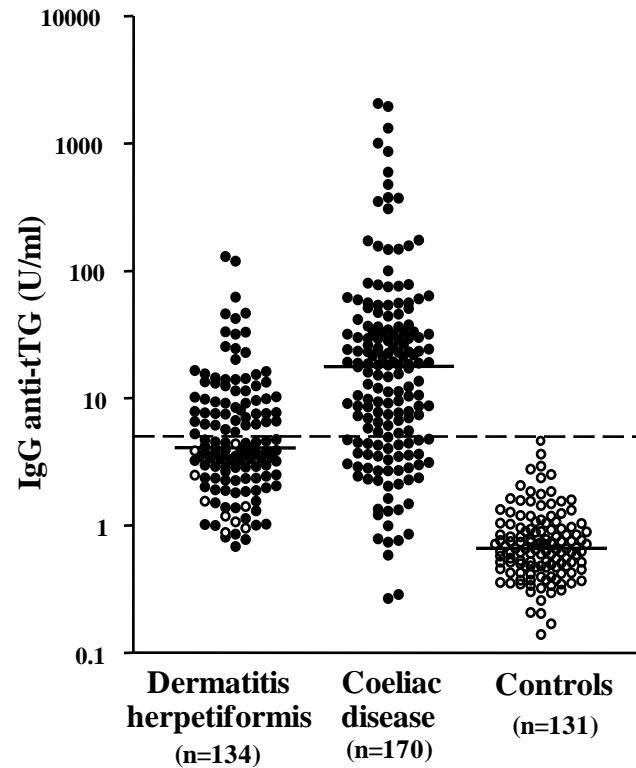


Serologic markers – t-TG

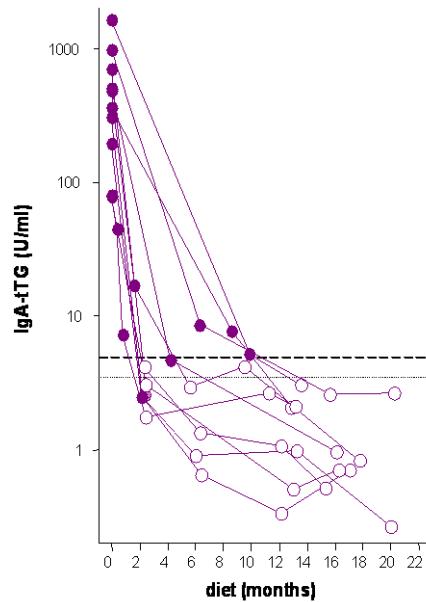
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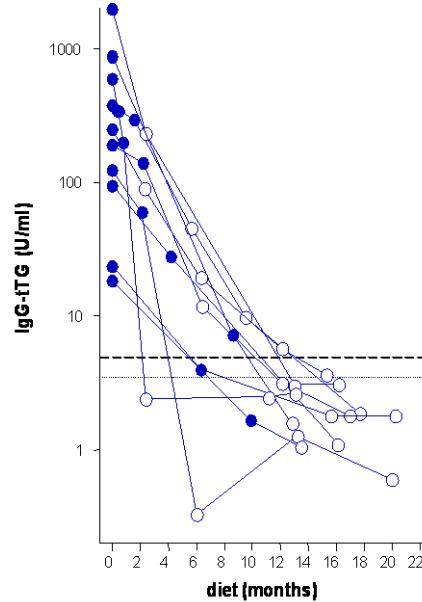
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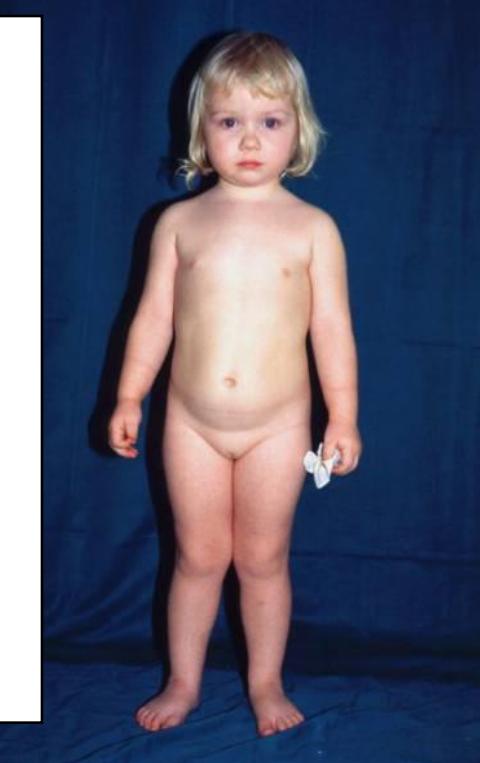
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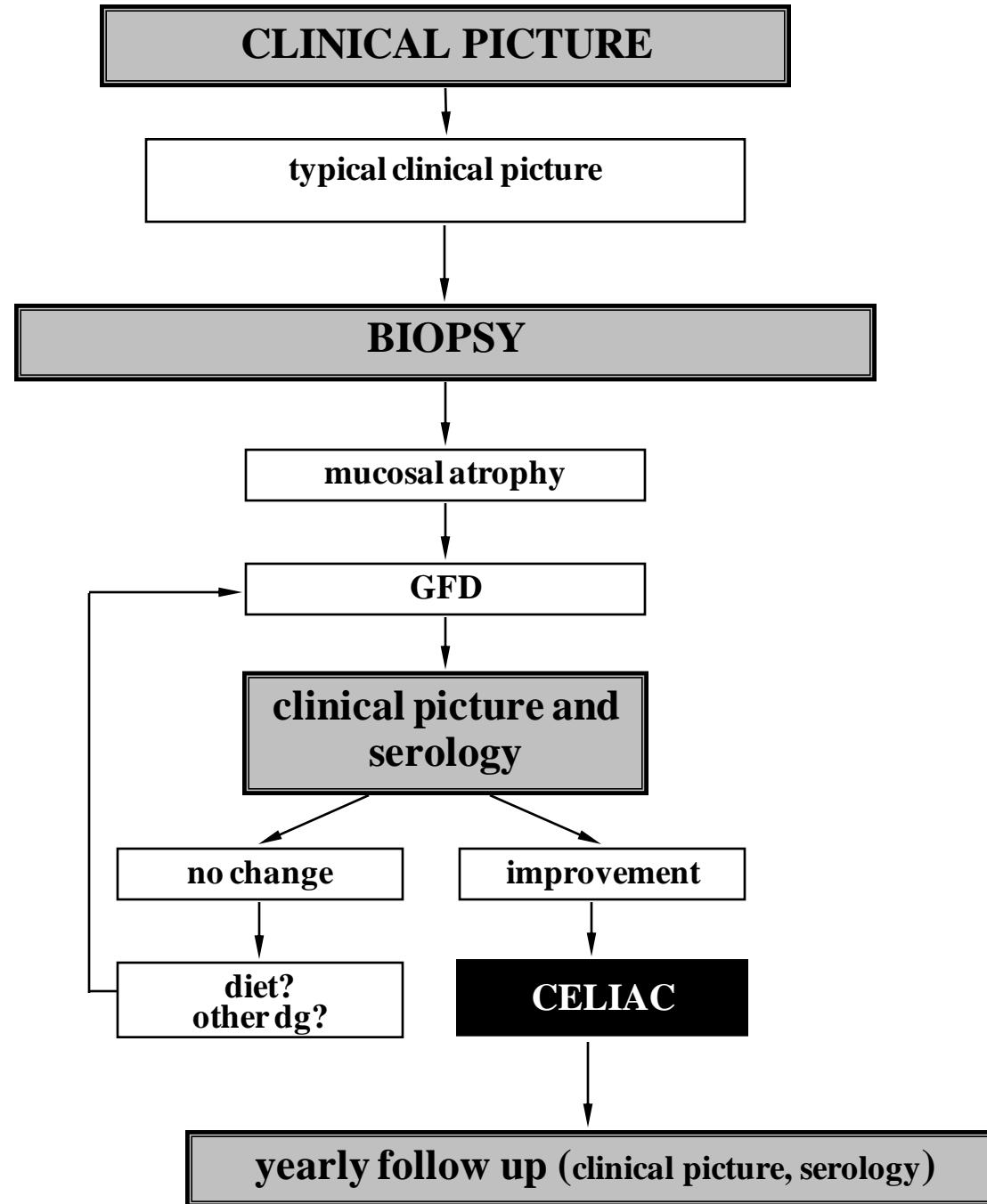


Untreated



On diet for 6 months



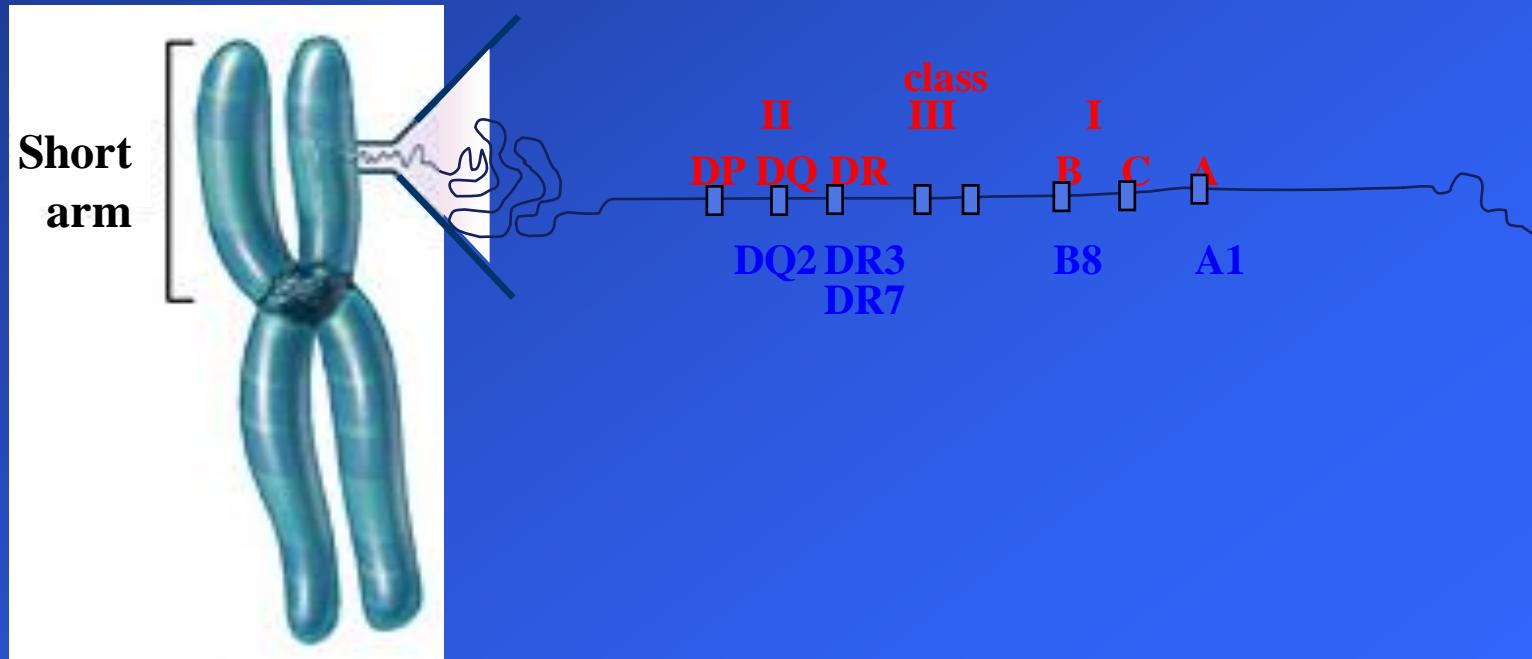


Other (newer) methods

- ❖ **genetic testing**
- ❖ **histology**
- ❖ **serology**

CD and genetics

- ❖ Celiac disease: OMIM 142800
- ❖ Medline: cca. 1600 hits
 - ❖ celiac disease and genetics



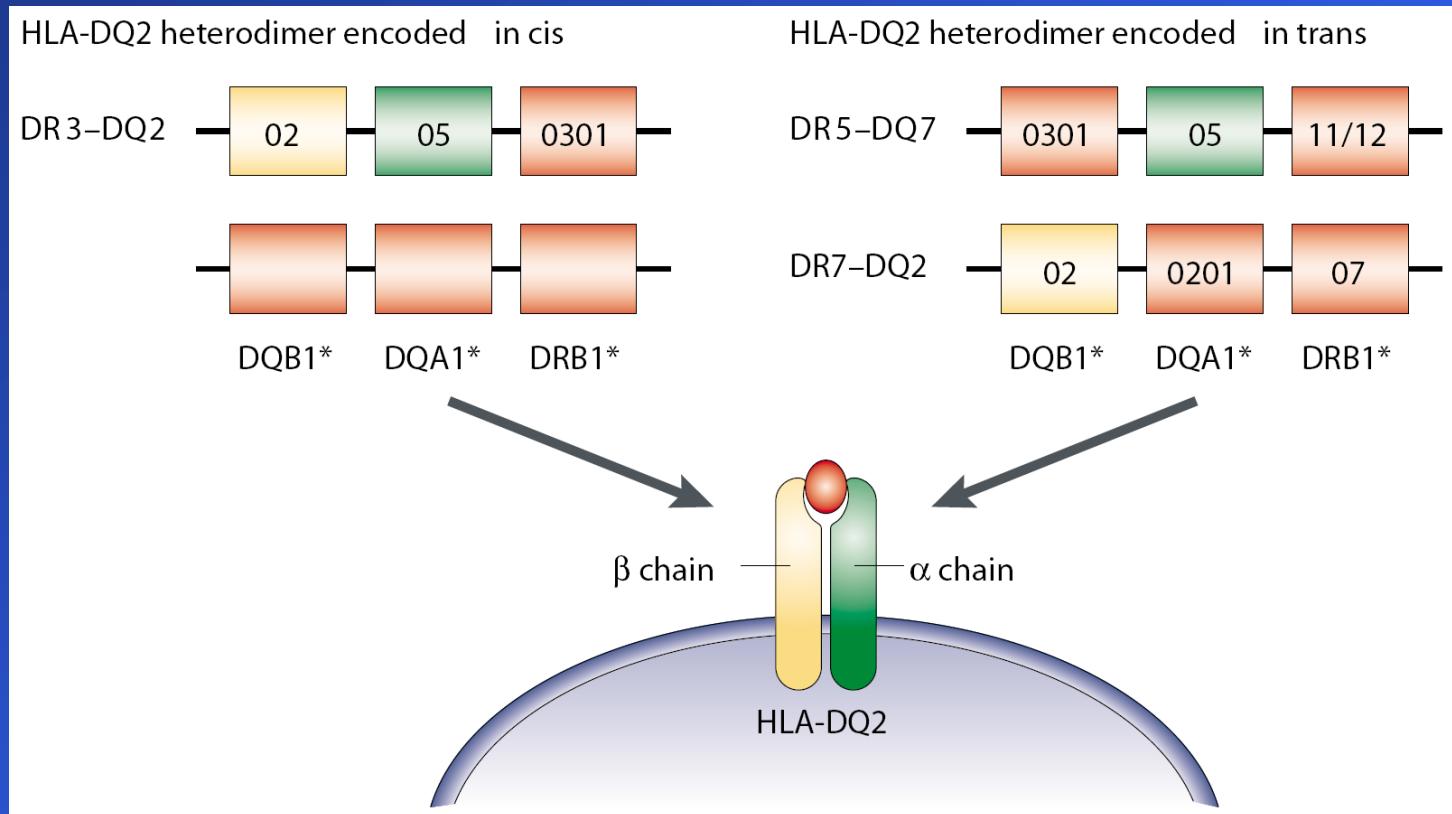
Chromosome 6

CD and genetics

- ❖ **Genetic predisposition for CD**
 - ❖ **twin analysis**
 - ❖ **family occurrence – 10%**
 - ❖ **polygenic disease**
 - ❖ **most important factor HLA locus**
 - ❖ **chromosome 6p21.3**
 - ❖ **~90% patients HLA-DQ2**
 - ❖ **~10% patients HLA-DQ8**

CD and genetics

- ❖ Genetic predisposition for CD
- ❖ HLA locus (chromosome 6p21.3)



Genetic testing

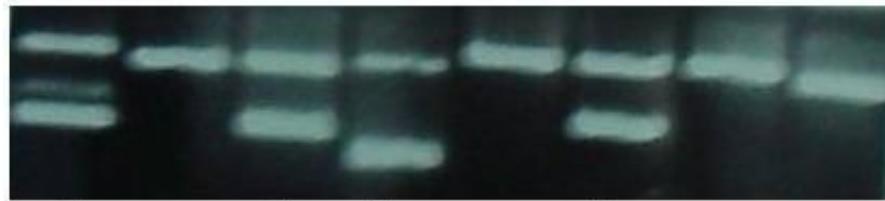
HLA-DQ2, DQ4



DQ2

DQ4

HLA-DQ2, DQ5



DQ5

DQ2

Genetic testing

HLA-DQ8, DQ8

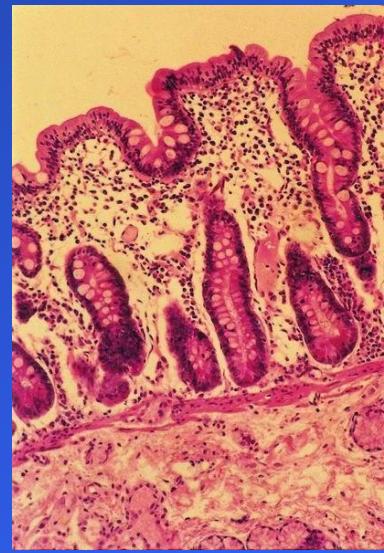
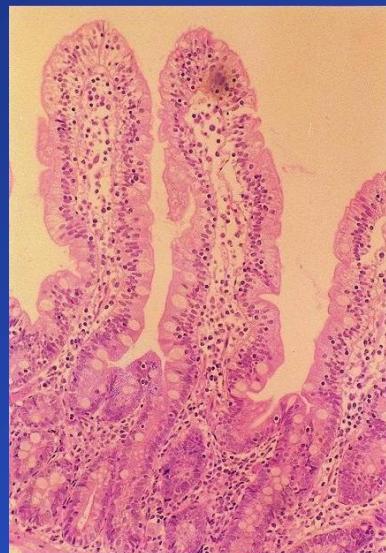


HLA-DQ5, DQ7



Histology

- ❖ Histology
 - ❖ mucosal atrophy

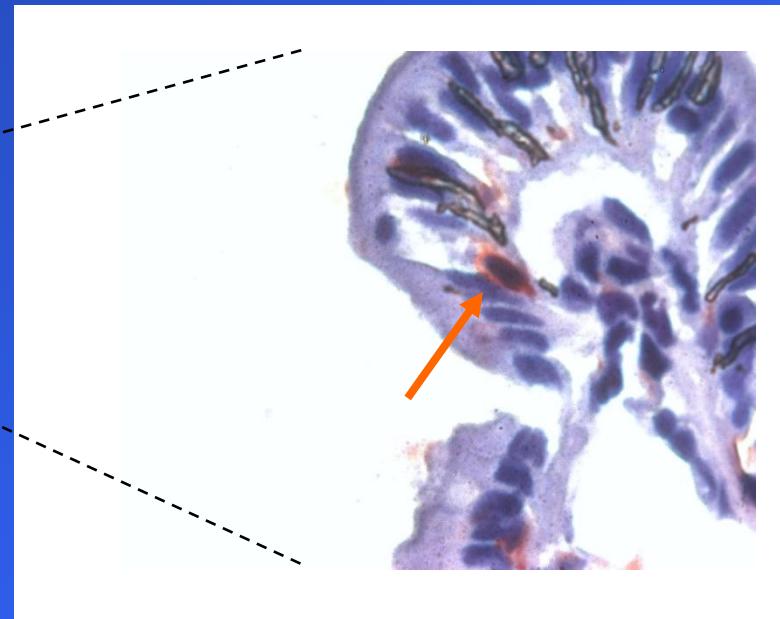
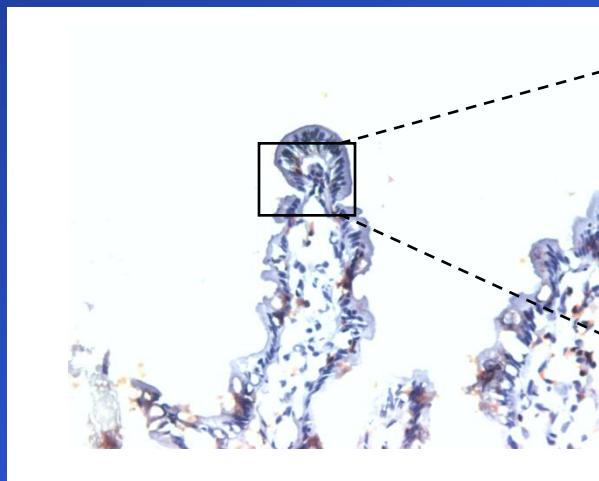


Histology

- ❖ **IEL subpopulations**
 - ❖ **CD3**
 - ❖ **alpha/beta IEL**
 - ❖ **gamma/delta IEL**
- ❖ **Enterocyte apoptosis**
 - ❖ **TUNEL-terminal uridine nick end labeling**
- ❖ **IgA t-TG Ab tissue deposits**

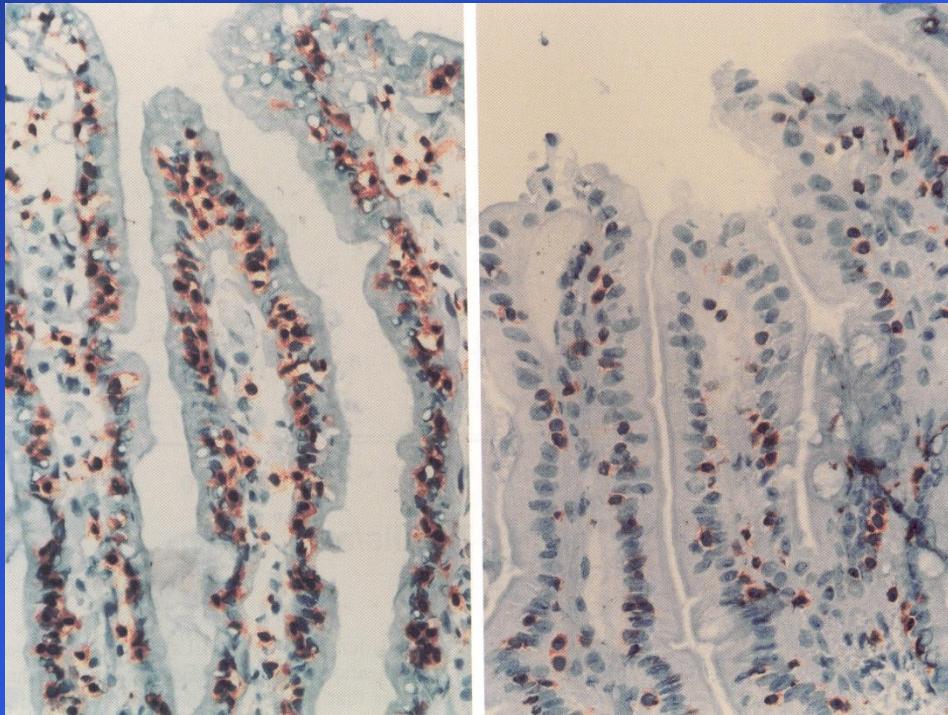
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- ❖ Histology
 - ❖ IEL count
 - ❖ immunohistochemical methods



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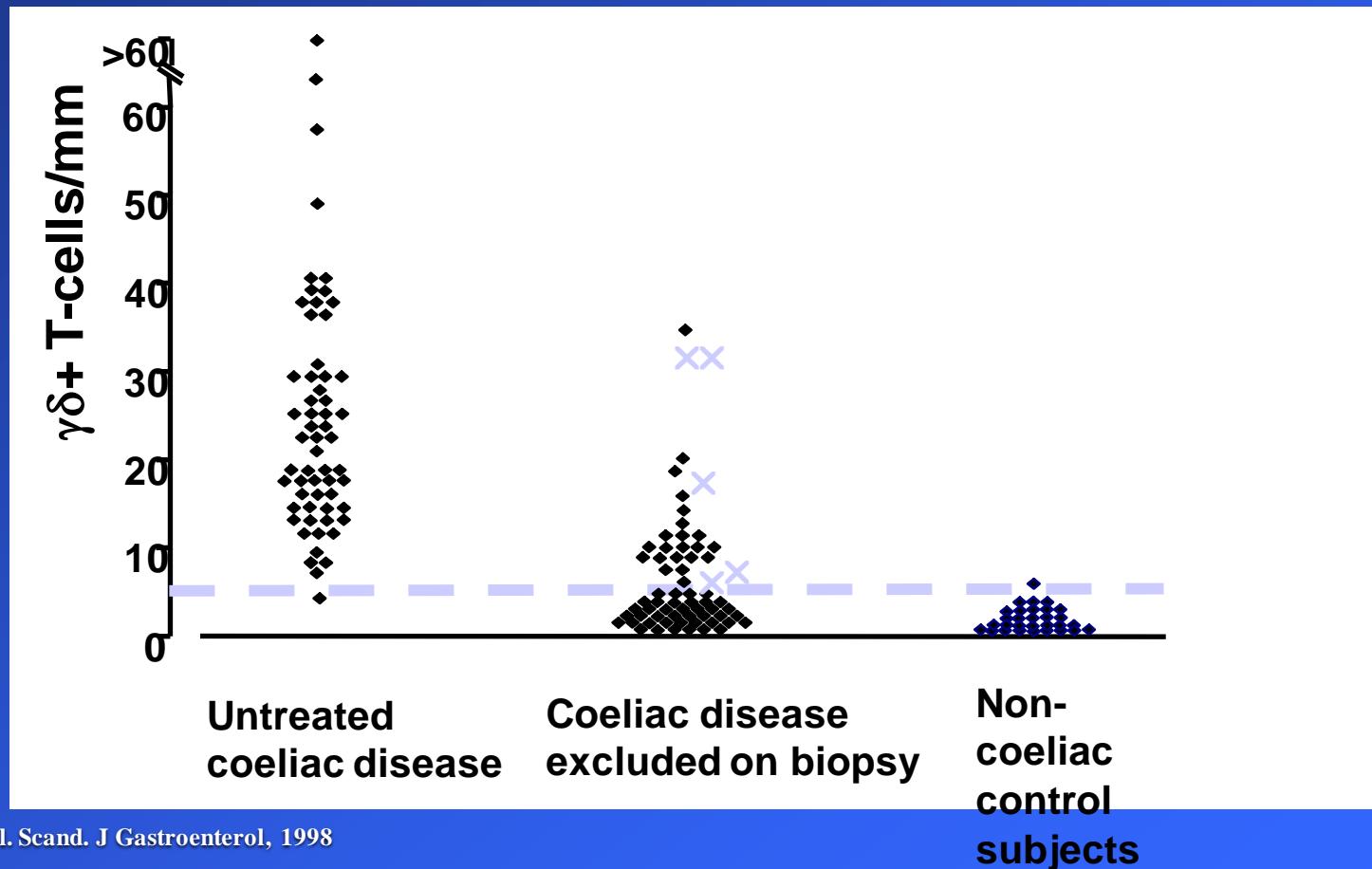
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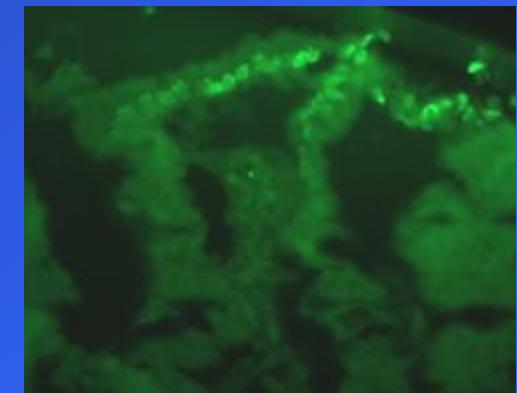
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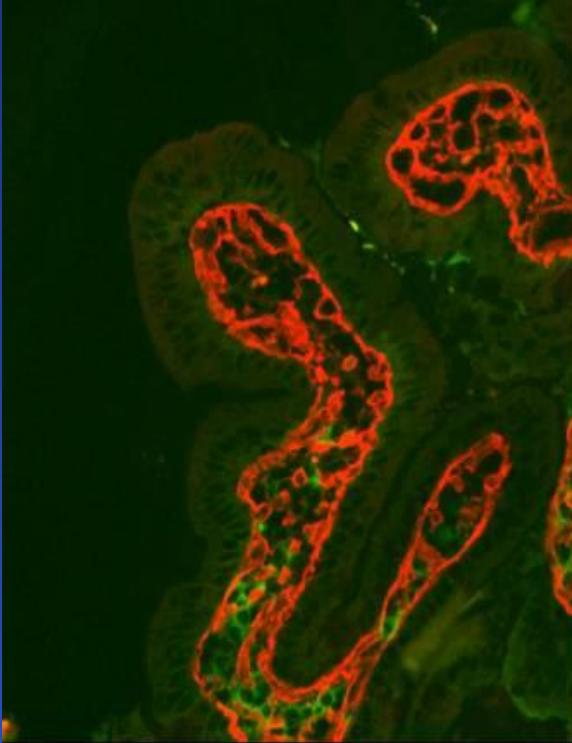


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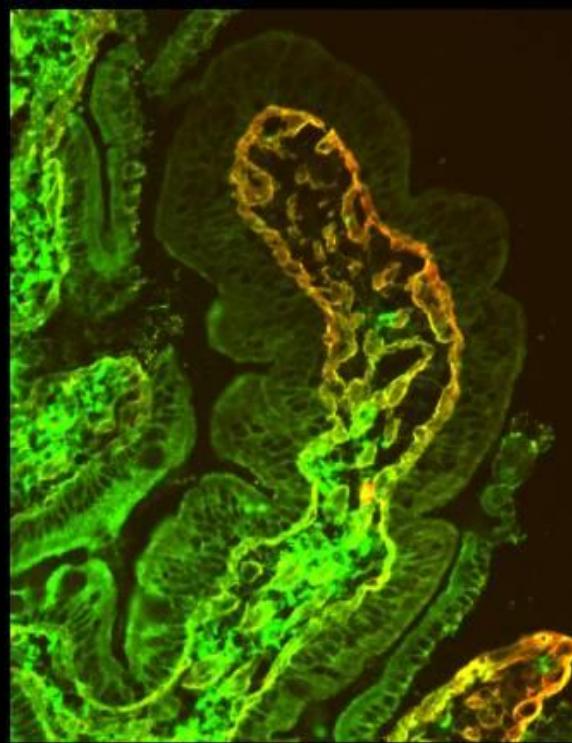
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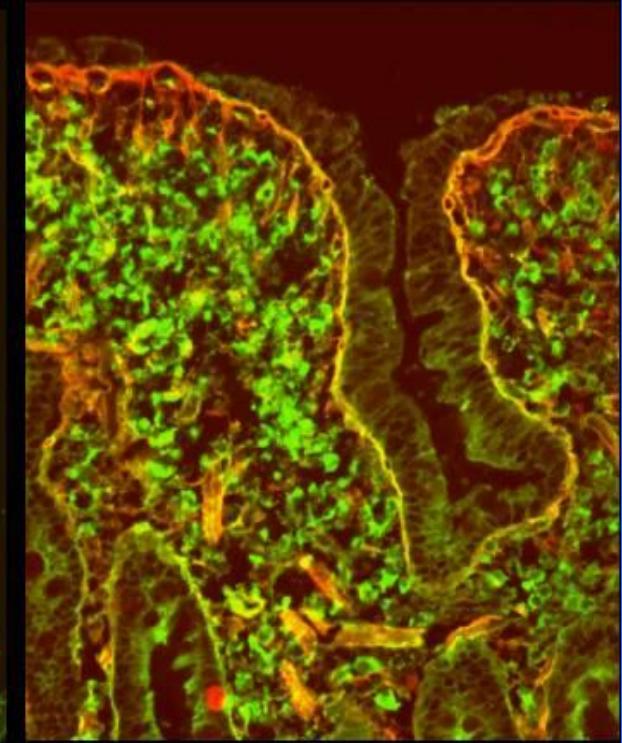
Normal



Early phase

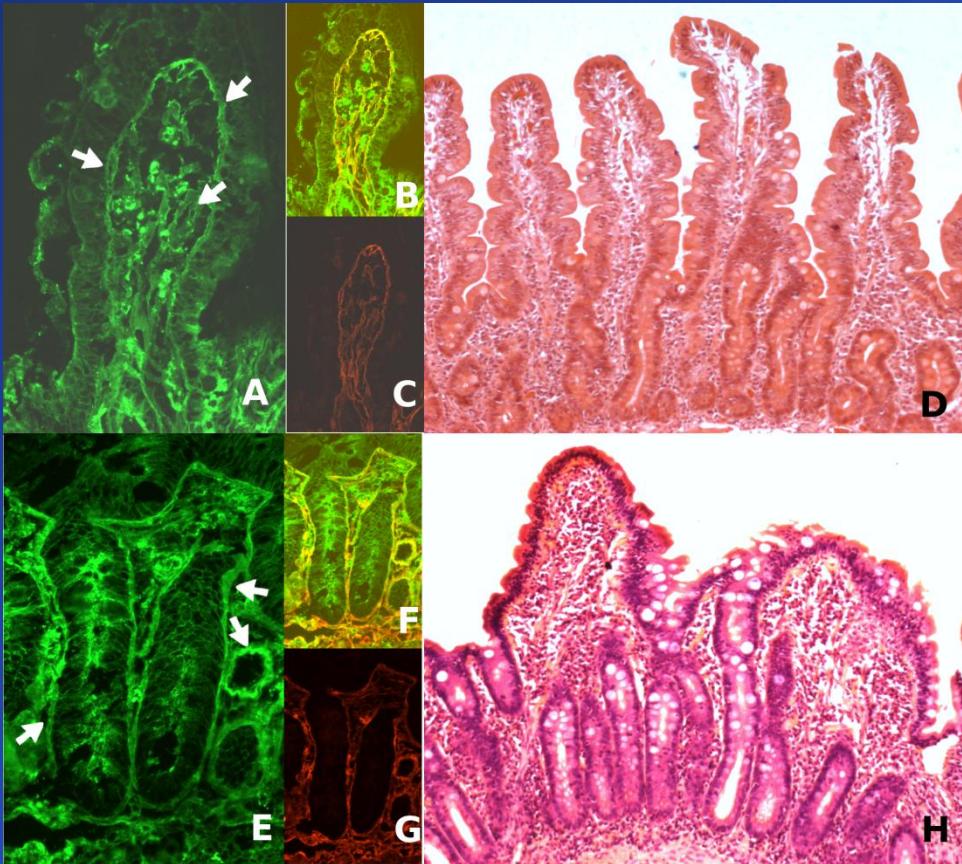


Celiac flat lesion



● IgA / Transglutaminase 2 ●

Other (newer) methods

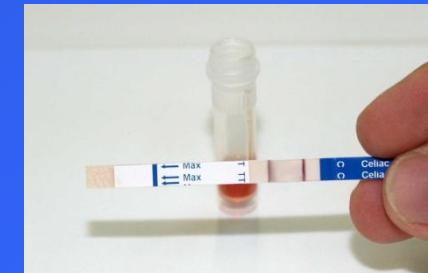
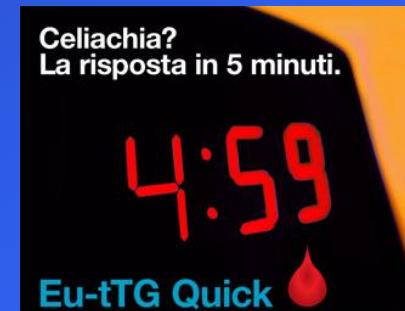
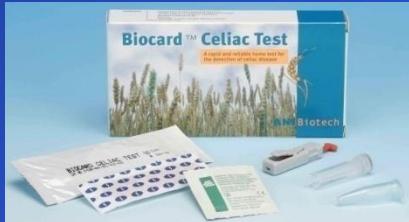


	Sens %	Specif %
Mucosal IgA-deposits	93	93
Serum autoantibodies	76	83
Mucosal villous tip IELs	88	71
Mucosal $\gamma\delta$ IELs	76	60
Mucosal IELs (Marsh 1)	59	57
HLA DQ2 or DQ8	100	66

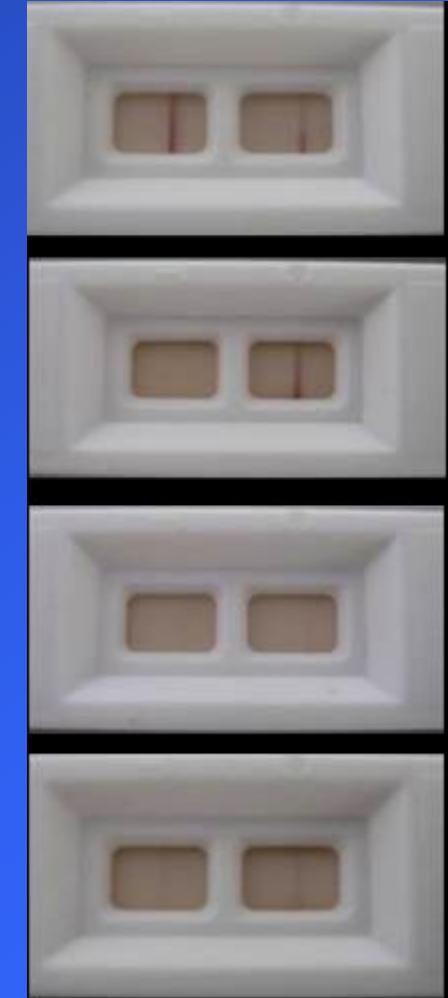
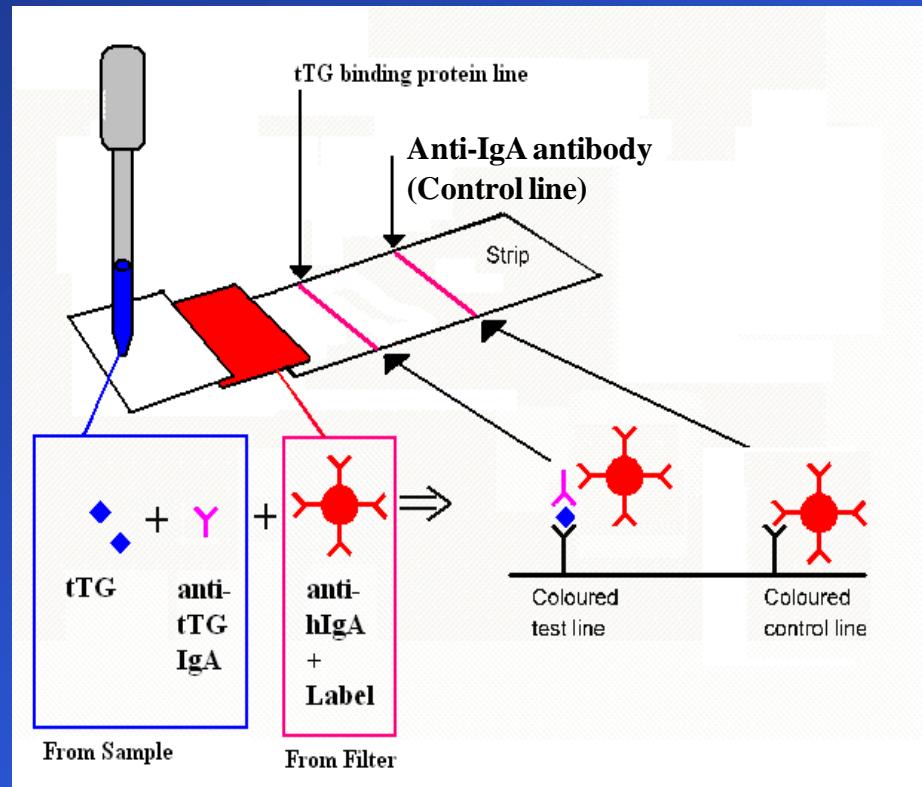
New diagnostic tests

- ❖ **serological tests**

- ❖ **tissue transglutaminase Ab (t-TG)**
 - ❖ **reliable, relatively inexpensive test**
 - ❖ **rapid finger-prick t-TG test**



New diagnostic tests



New diagnostic tests

❖ serological tests

- ❖ deamidated gliadin Ab (IgG, IgA)
 - ❖ high corellation with EMA and t-TG
- ❖ glutenin Ab

❖ new microsystems

- ❖ simultaneus
 - ❖ multiple Ab test
 - ❖ IgA determination
 - ❖ HLA-DQ2/DQ8 status



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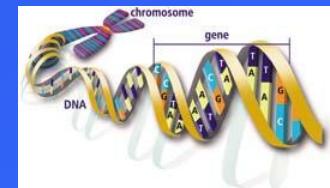
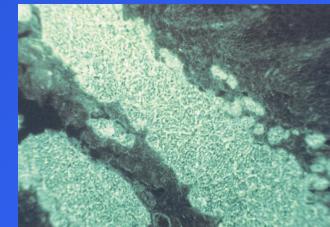
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Conclusion

- ❖ **ESPGHAN criteria**
 - ❖ **classic (at least 3 biopsies)**
 - ❖ **revised (1 biopsy)**
 - ❖ **future revisions (ESPGHAN working group)**
- ❖ **NASPGHAN criteria**

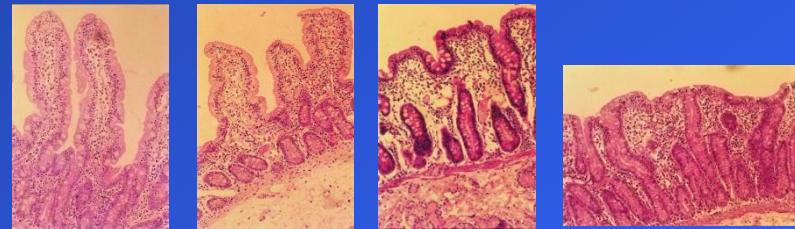
Conclusion

- ❖ **clinical picture**
 - ❖ **typical celiac disease**
 - ❖ **atypical celiac disease**
 - ❖ **children**
 - ❖ **adults**
- ❖ **diagnostic tools**
 - ❖ **serological tests**
 - ❖ **EMA, t-TG, (watch for total IgA)**
 - ❖ **genetic tests**
 - ❖ **HLA DQ2/DQ8**



Conclusion

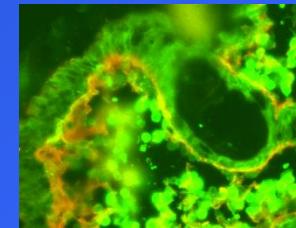
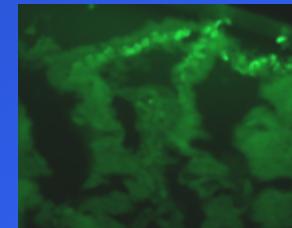
- ❖ **diagnostic tools**
 - ❖ **histology**



- ❖ **clinical picture after introduction of GFD**
 - ❖ **reversibility of changes**
 - ❖ **clinical picture**
 - ❖ **serological tests**
 - ❖ **histological changes**

Conclusion

- ❖ **novel tests**
 - ❖ **serological tests**
 - ❖ **rapid t-TG test**
 - ❖ **other potentialy useful tests**
 - ❖ **deamidated gliadin**
 - ❖ **glutenin**
 - ❖ **histological tests**
 - ❖ **IEL**
 - ❖ **IgA t-TG deposits**
 - ❖ **apoptosis**
 - ❖ **nanotechnology**
 - ❖ **rapid multiparameter testing**





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