## Agenda:

Emne Fødevareallergi – både prevalens, diagnose og behandlings muligheder samt aktuelt forskning. Vi har en del voksen fødevareallergi, og der er sket meget på børne området i de sidste år...

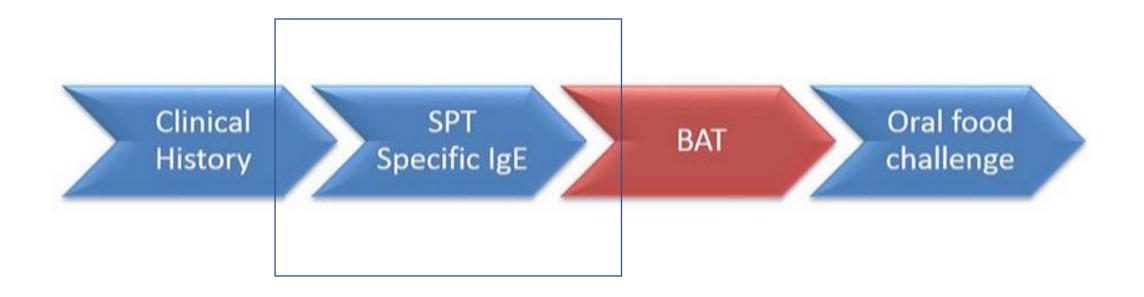
### Adult food allergy, Allergy Center AUH and the food industry

- What is food allergy
  - How frequent is food allergy
  - Occupational food allergy
- How is food allergy diagnosed
  - Basophil testing in the diagnosis of food allergy
  - Provocation testing
- Treatment of food allergy, and monitoring of treatment

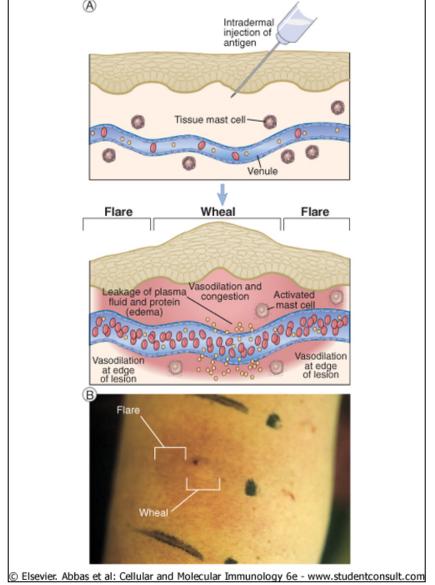
#### Research

- BAT basophil activation test
  - Diagnosis and monitoring of allergic disease and treatment
- activation of Mast cells equipped with recombiant IgE with known specificity and affinity with recombiant allergen to explore how IgE activates mast cells

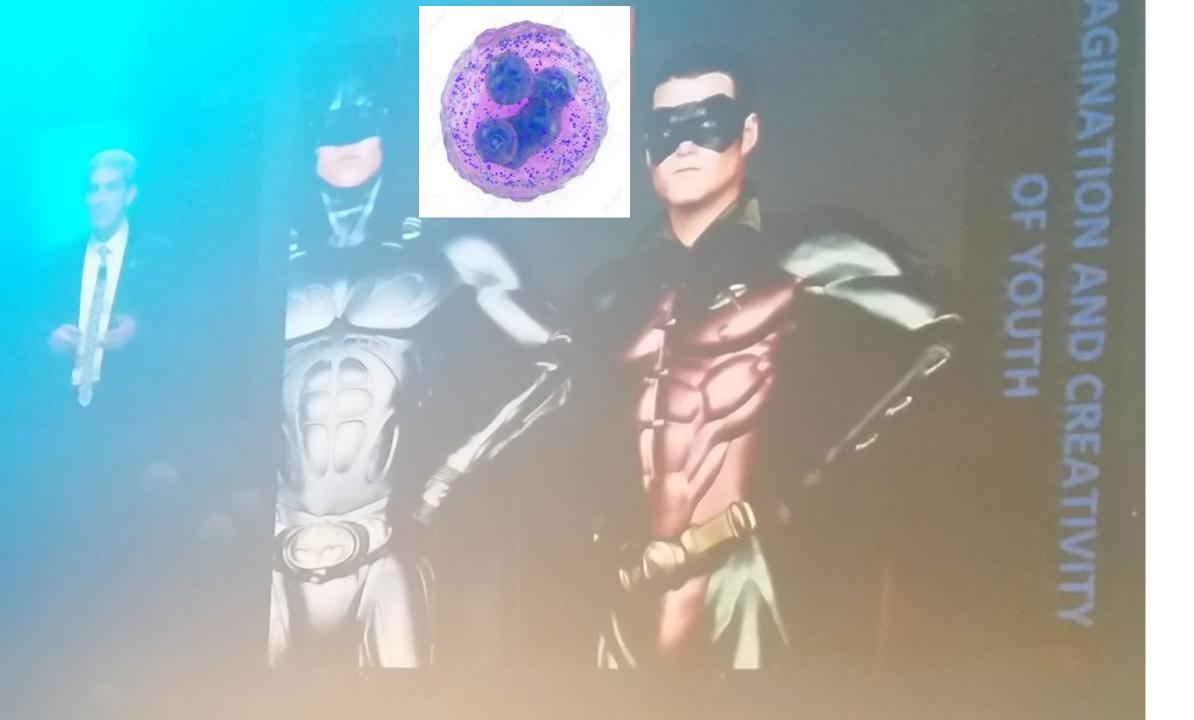
- Intralymphatic Immunotherapy
  - 3 injections of allergen into an inguinal lymph node to achieve at least 3 years of clinically effective treatment
  - We have performed 3 small trials, and are planning a large trial now.
  - We may participate in a trial to explore the usefulness of ILIT in food allergy.



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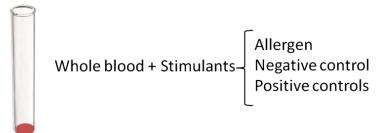


## Detection methods for measuring IgE





#### 1. Stimulation



#### 2. Staining



- Stop degranulation (EDTA + variation in temperature to 4°C)
- Staining (with antibodies conjugated to fluorochromes)

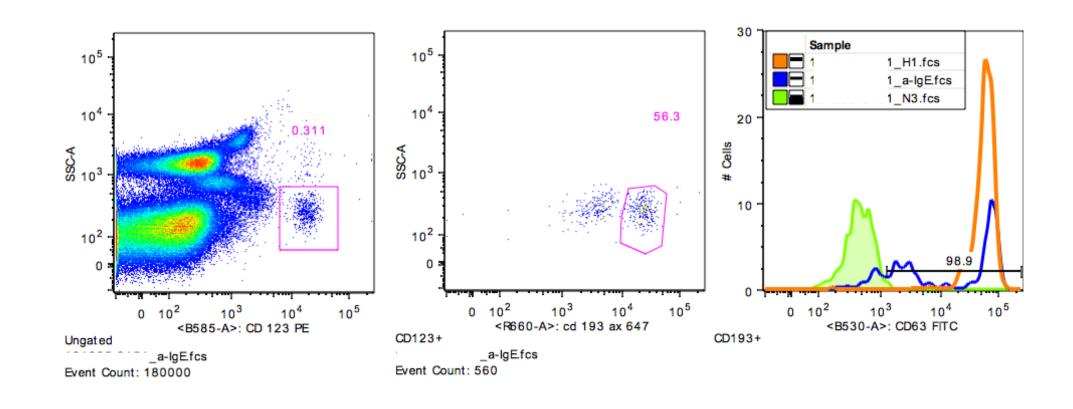
#### 3. Red blood cell lysis



- Red blood cell lysis
- Cell suspension ready for analysis

#### 4. Flow cytometry

# Identifying and classifying activated basophils



# Reproducibility of food provocation test and basophil activation test 2 weeks apart

- Double-blind placebo-controlled food challenge, DBPCFC, the gold standard for diagnosing food allergy, is time-consuming and potentially dangerous.
  - 27 children tested (verum 2, placebo 1)
  - 13 negative in DBPCFC
  - 14 positive in both challenges
  - 2 reacted reproducibly
- BAT basophil allergen threshold sensitivity test, CDsens, has shown promising results as a diagnostic tool in food allergy.
  - 12 of 14 children positive in DBPCFC were positive in BAT
  - 2 non-responders

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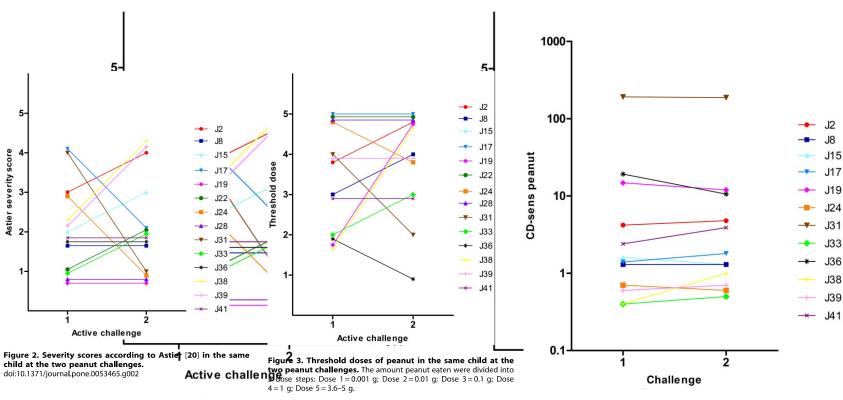
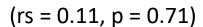


Figure 2. Severity scores according to Astier [20] in the same child at the two peanut challenges. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0053465.g002

Figure 3. Threshold desanyt GD-sens yalves in the same child tate the two two peanut challenges. The amount peanut challenges the amount peanut eaten were divided into 5 dose steps: Dose 1=0.001 g; Dose 2=0.01 g; Dose 3=0.1 g; Dose 4=1 q; Dose 5=3.6-5 q.

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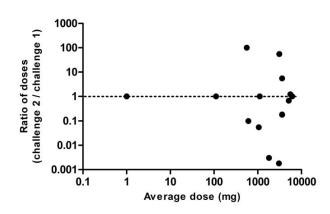


Figure 5. The differences in the ratio of the dose, mg (challenge 2/challenge 1) in each child with positive peanut challenges, presented as a Bland-Altman plot with logarithmically transformed data. The geometric mean of the ratio of the doses was 1.834. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0053465.g005

$$r^2=0.35$$
, p=0.22

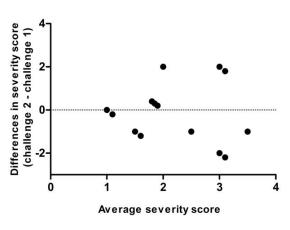


Figure 4. The differences in severity score (challenge 2-challenge 1) in each child with positive peanut challenges, presented as a Bland-Altman plot. The arithmetic mean of the difference between the severity scores was 0.143. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0053465.q004

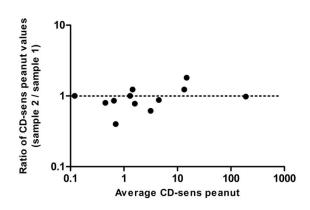


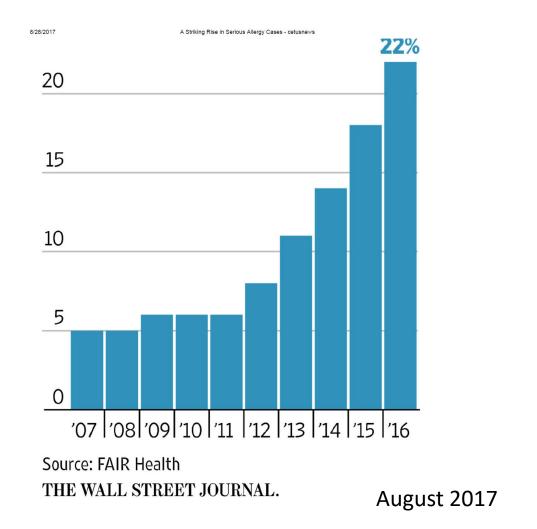
Figure 8. The differences in the ratio for peanut CD-sens values (challenge 2/challenge 1) in each child with positive peanut challenges, presented as a Bland-Altman plot with logarithmically transformed data. Geometric mean of the ratio of CD-sens values was 1.035.

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## 1 000 000 kg in a life-time



### Increase in food allergy?



The analysis was conducted by FAIR Health, a New York City-based, independent nonprofit that has a database of 24 billion medical and dental claims from 150 million privately insured people.

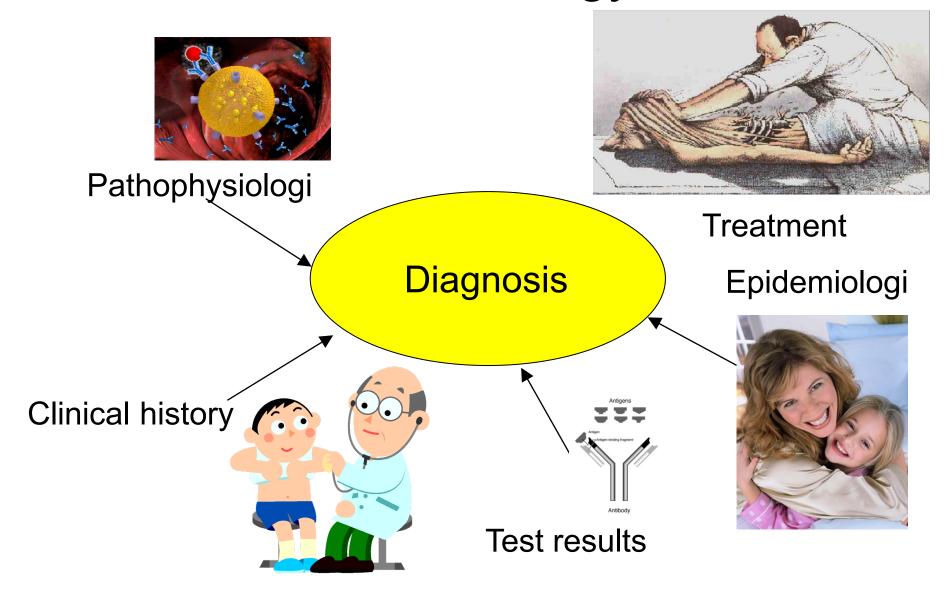
- The rate of severe allergic reactions to foods has increased by 377 % the last decade
- Peanut was the most common reason to anaphylaxis, 26 % of the claims
- Tree nuts 18 % followed by egg, shellfish and milk
- 33 % About 33% of claims were due to unknown foods
- 66 % were below 18 years

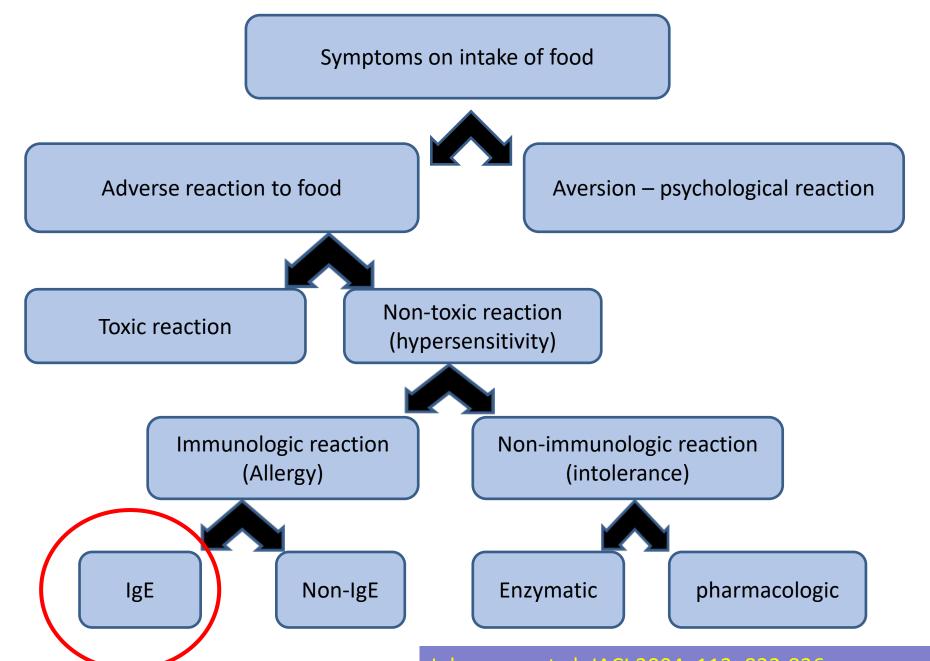
## Food allergy

- Immunological reaction on food proteins
- Incidence: children 8 %, adults 5 %
- No standard curative treatment is aviable and therefore important with a correct diagnosis
- Symptoms vary from mouth-itch to lifethreatening reactions
- IgE-mediated food allergy the most common



## Food allergy







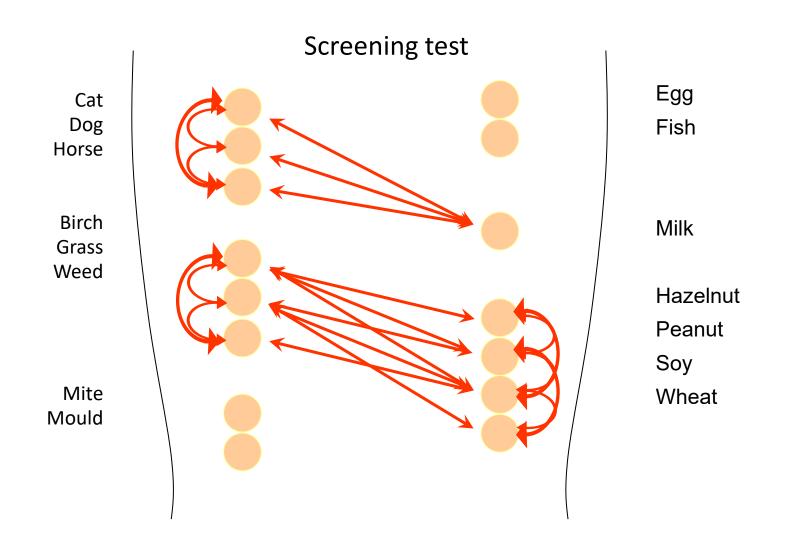




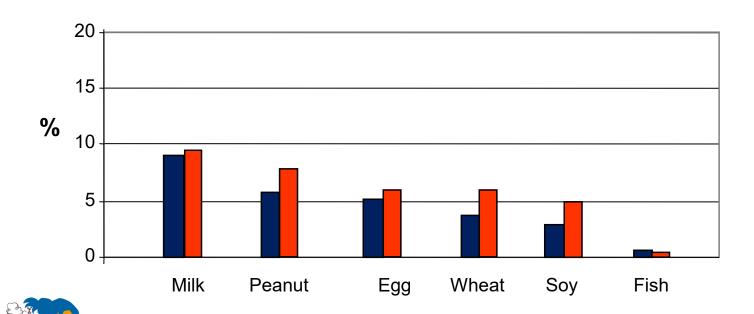




# Crossreactions common between food and inhalant allergens



# IgE sensitisation to food at 4 & 8 years, 2,600 and 2,400 children

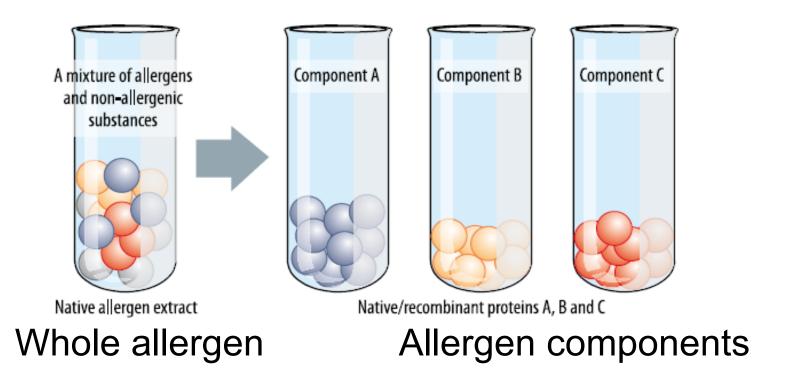


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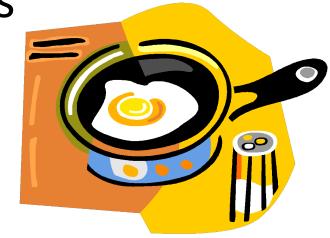
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### Component resolved diagnostics (CRD) to food



## Egg and milk allergy and components

- Components resolved diagnostics (CRD) in the diagnosis and management of milk and egg allergies is not well established
- Studies do not uniformly find IgE to milk and egg components to outperform standard IgE testing to milk and egg in predicting allergic reactions to egg and milk



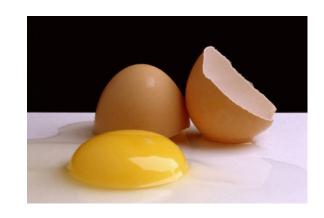


## Cows milk and egg allergy

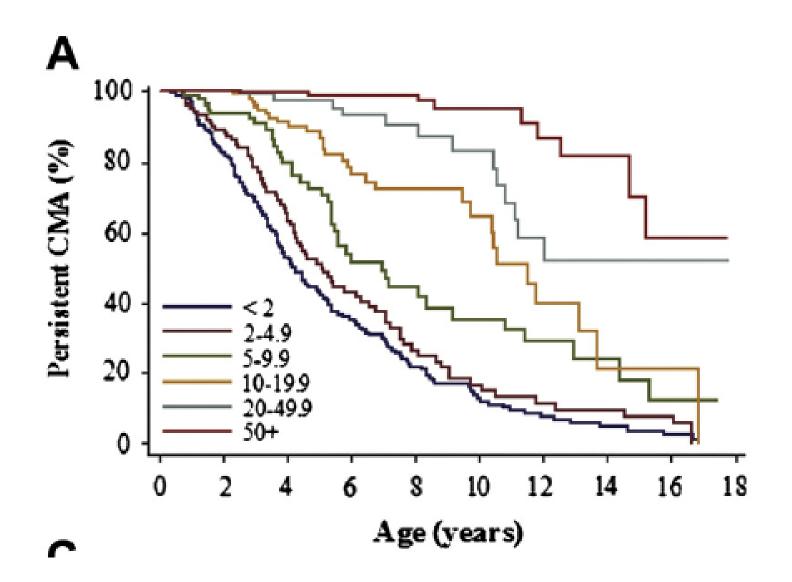
• Milk is the most common allergy among infants,  $\sim 3-5-8$  %

•The next most common food allergy among infants,  $\sim 2 - 4 \%$ 

 The prognosis is good. Most children outgrow their milk and egg allergy



## Prognosis of milk allergy and milk IgE



#### Milk - Bos domesticus

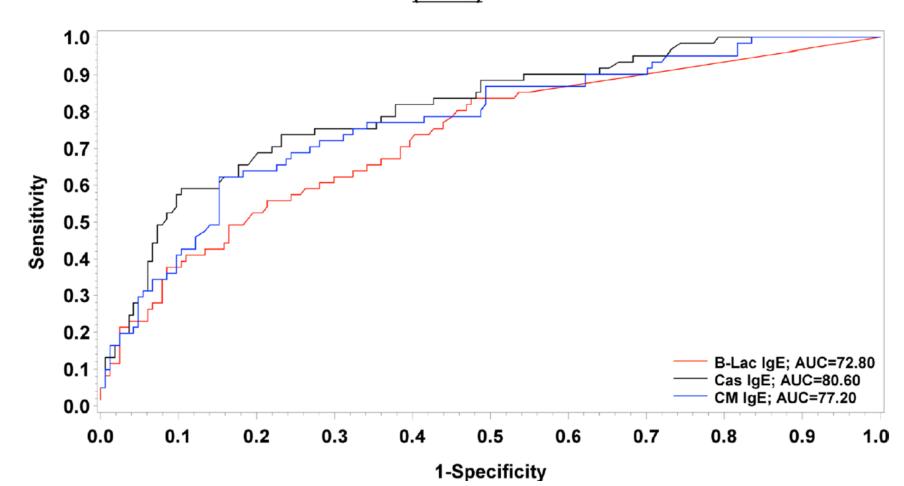
#### Allergen components

- Bos d 4 α lactalbumin
- Bos d 5 β lactglobulin
- Bos d 6 serumalbumin
- Bos d 8 casein, the most common allergen in milk
- Bos d lactoferrin transferrin



## Milk allergy and components

## Combined cohort of milk allergic patients (n=225)



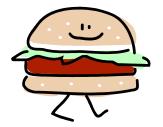
- Oral food challenge with baked milk
- IgE to casein slightly better than IgE to whole milk

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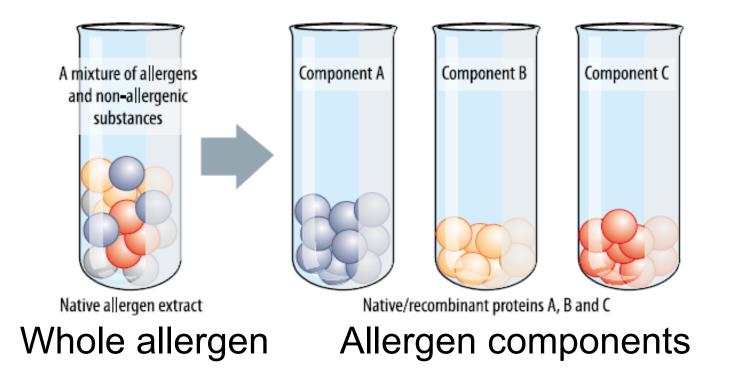
## Red meat allergy

- Adults and adolescents more common than reported?
- Individuals at risk of being sensitized are those living in areas with high exposure to ticks
- IgE to carbohydrate alpha-galactose,
- Most reactions are delayed for 2–5 hours



 Symptoms are often; urticaria, angioedema or anaphylaxis after 6:00 pm

# Component resolved diagnostics (CRD) to food of plant origin

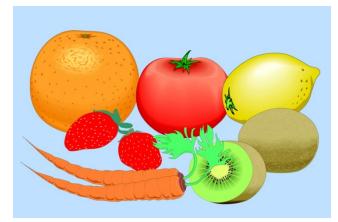


## Unstabile proteins

• PR-10 protein (birch)

- Danaturation from heating, hydrochloric acid and enzymes in saliva
- Sensitisation to PR-10 proteins through pollen
- Symptoms locally in mouth and throat

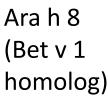








## Oral allergy syndrom

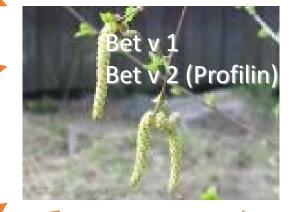




Ara h 5 (profilin)



Dau c 1 (Bet v 1 homolog)
Dau c 4 (profilin)



Gly m 4 (Bet v 1 homolog)









# Resistant proteins - Storage proteins

- Proteins mainly in nuts/peanut/seeds, stable to heating, hydrochloric acid and enzymes in saliva
- IgE to storage proteins a risk factor for systemic allergic reactions







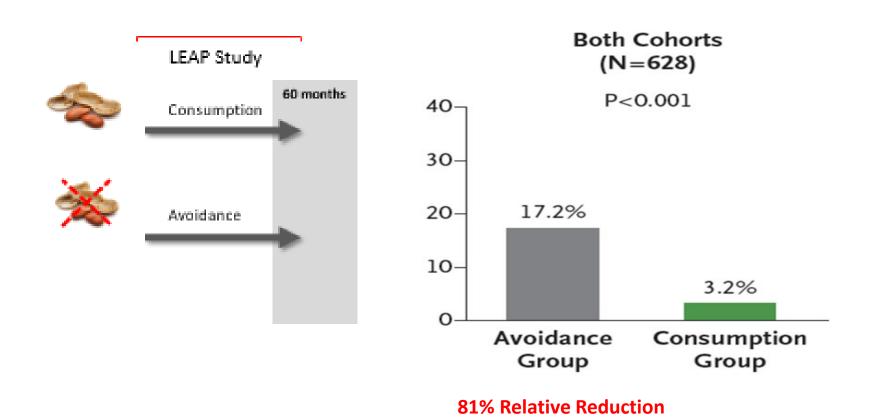






#### **LEAP Study**

Frequency of developing allergy to peanut



#### **LEAP-On Summary**

#### **Peanut Allergy**

• Benefits of early peanut introduction persisted after 12 months of cessation of peanut consumption:

LEAP avoiders (18.6%) > LEAP Consumers (4.8%)

• Non-significant increase in PA in **LEAP consumers** after 12 months of avoidance; **3.6% at 60 months** to **4.8% at 72 months** (p=0.250)

#### **Immunology:**

- LEAP consumers continued to have higher levels of peanutspecific IgG4 and peanut-specific IgG4:IgE ratios and a high ratio was associated with tolerance.
- Both peanut-specific IgE and IgE to Ara h2 declined for the first time in LEAP consumers after 60 months of age despite coinciding with 12 months of peanut avoidance

The LEAP and LEAP-On studies together demonstrate that the **early introduction of peanut** induces unresponsiveness to peanut that **persists** following 12 months of avoidance.

#### This gives rise to further questions:

- Is an intervention that prevents peanut allergy in a highrisk population also an effective prevention strategy in the general population?
- Is such an intervention effective to prevent allergies to other foods?

These questions gave rise to



#### The EAT Study Hypothesis

The EAT Study tested the hypothesis that the introduction of 6 allergenic foods from 3 months of age, alongside continued breastfeeding, would result in a reduced prevalence of IgE-mediated food allergy by 3 years of age.



#### EAT Study per-protocol analysis

**Per-protocol (PP):** All ITT participants who have complied to EAT criteria below.

#### **Both Groups:**

- Exclusive breastfeeding for three months
- Continued breastfeeding up to five months

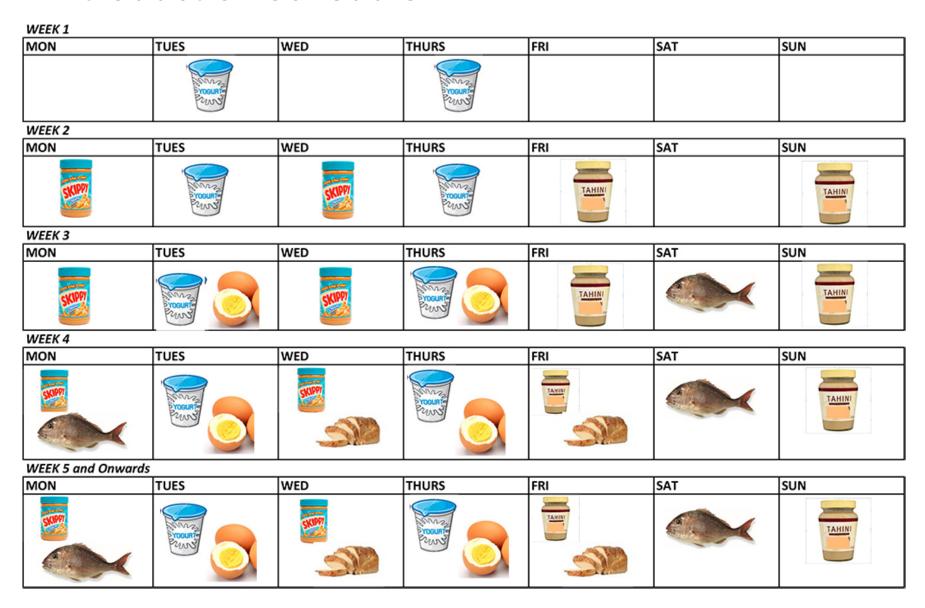
#### **Standard Introduction Group** compliance is defined as:

- No consumption of peanut, egg, sesame, wheat or fish before five months
- Cow's milk (or goat's milk) consumption of less than 300mls/day between three and six months

#### **Early Introduction Group** compliance is defined as:

Consumption of at least 5 of the allergenic foods in at least 75% of the recommended amount (i.e. at least 3g allergen protein), on at least 5 weeks between three and six months of age

#### Introduction Schedule



1st: Cow's milk | Randomized to [Egg, Peanut, Sesame, Fish] | 6th : Wheat

#### **EAT Study Summary**

Early introduction of allergenic foods was safe.

#### Adherence:

Standard Introduction Group (92.9%) > Early Introduction Group (42.8%)

#### Overall Allergy:

• reduction (non-significant) in Allergy in the ITT group.

#### Peanut allergy:

• in the Early Introduction **Per-protocol group** was **0% vs. 2.5%** in the Standard Introduction Group, **p<0.003**.

#### • Egg allergy:

• in the Early Introduction **Per-protocol Group** was **1.4% vs. 5.5%** in the Standard Introduction Group, **p<0.009**.



### Conclusion

- Food allergy is an overlooked entitiy for adult more than pediatric populations
- Food allergy may be prevented by early introduction of allergenic foods
- Allergicenter Vest (ACV) offers allergy diagnosis, advice and treatment
- We take careful history, do diagnostic tests and can treat some food allergies
- We do research to improve diagnostic tests and therapy of food allergy