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# La Malattia di Pompe

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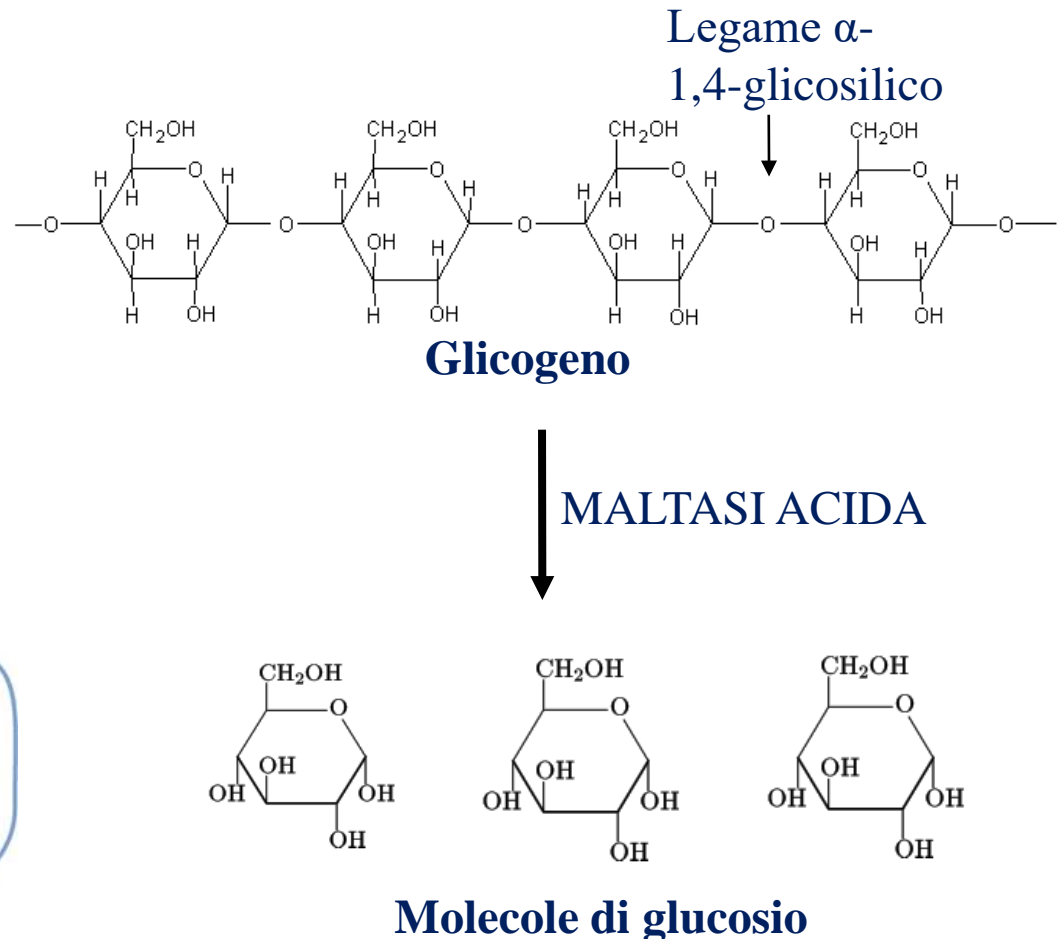
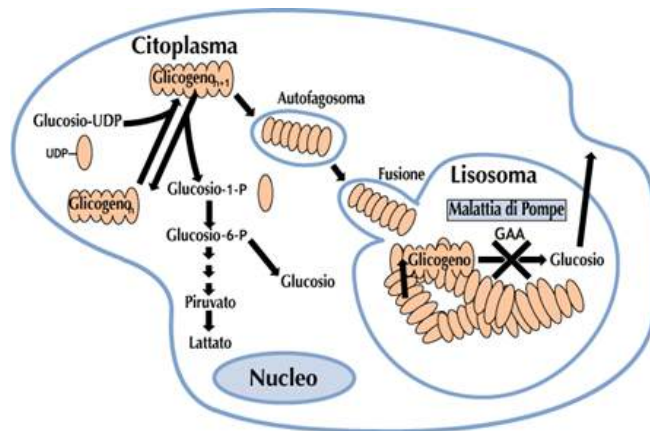
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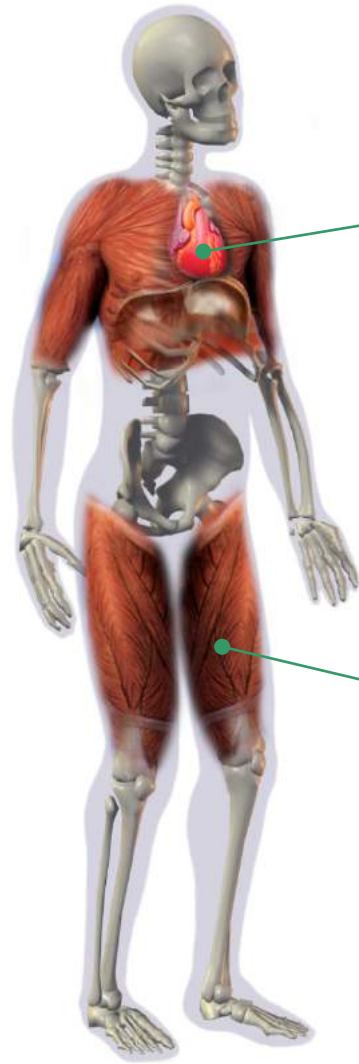
# Maltasi acida (alfa-1,4-glucosidasi acida)

- Enzima lisosomiale
- Dotata di attività alfa-glucosidasi → idrolizza il glicogeno in glucosio
- E' il solo enzima degradativo del glicogeno presente nei lisosomi
- E' codificato dal gene *GAA*
- Il deficit causa accumulo di glicogeno e dilatazione

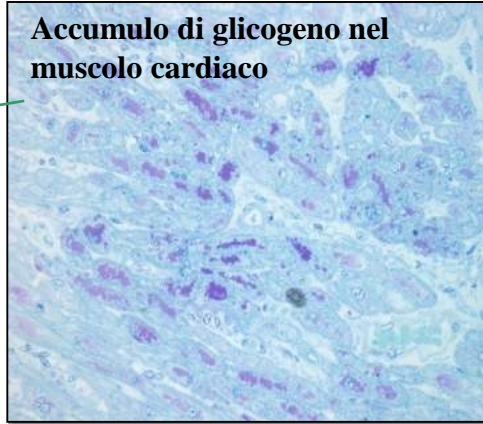




# Coinvolgimento di organi chiave

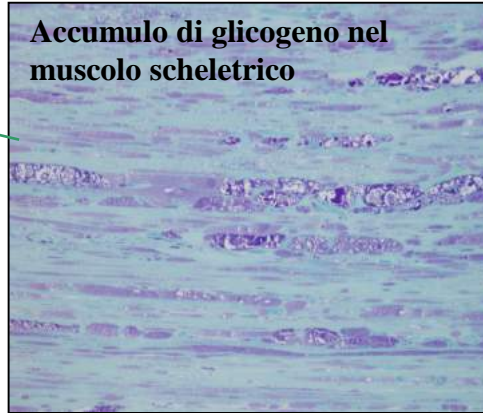


**Accumulo di glicogeno nel muscolo cardiaco**



Data on file, Genzyme Corporation.

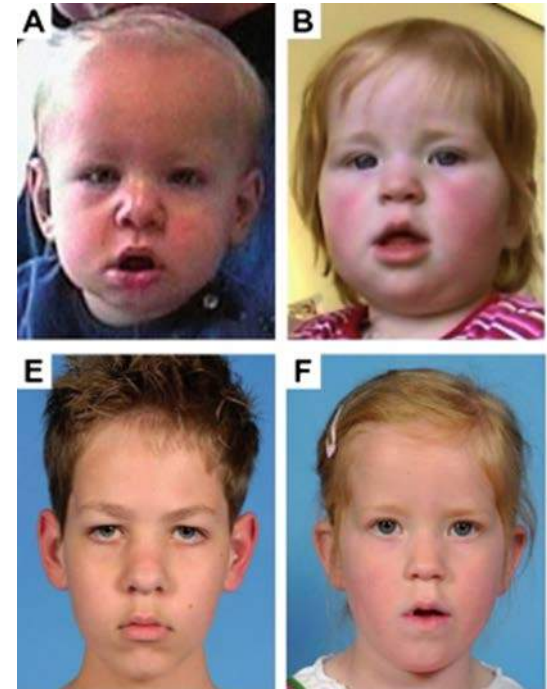
**Accumulo di glicogeno nel muscolo scheletrico**



- L'accumulo di glicogeno **interessa principalmente il tessuto muscolare**
- Principali gruppi muscolari:
  - Muscolo cardiaco (infantile)
  - Muscolo scheletrico prossimale (in particolare arti inferiori e tronco)
  - Muscoli respiratori

# Clinical forms

- ▶ **INFANTILE FORM** - death within the first year of life due to progressive cardiac and respiratory involvement with macroglossia
- ▶ **LATE-ONSET FORM**
  - ▶ **Juvenile form** – it occurs between the two and the twenty years of age. Liver and cardiac involvement is possible
  - ▶ **Adult-onset form** - slowly-progressive; it affects mobility with proximal limb weakness and respiratory function (predominant diaphragmatic dysfunction); absence or mild involvement of cardiac muscle
- ▶ **POST-ERT FORM** - long-term survivors present improvement in cardiac and motor functions. Patients present residual facial muscle weakness, hearing loss, risk for arrhythmias, hypernasal speech, dysphagia with risk for aspiration, and osteopenia



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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Facial-muscle weakness, speech disorders and dysphagia are common in patients with classic infantile Pompe disease treated with enzyme therapy

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# Caratteristiche cliniche – forma infantile

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## Cuore

- Cardiomegalia/cardiomiopatia marcata
- Progressione verso insufficienza cardiaca

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## Apparato muscoloscheletrico

- Debolezza muscolare profonda e a rapida progressione (ipotonia/bambino atonico/flessione all'indietro della testa)
- Principali stadi di sviluppo motorio ritardati

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## Apparato respiratorio

- Infezioni respiratorie frequenti
- Progressione verso insufficienza respiratoria
- Morte dovuta a insufficienza cardio-respiratoria

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## Apparato gastrointestinale

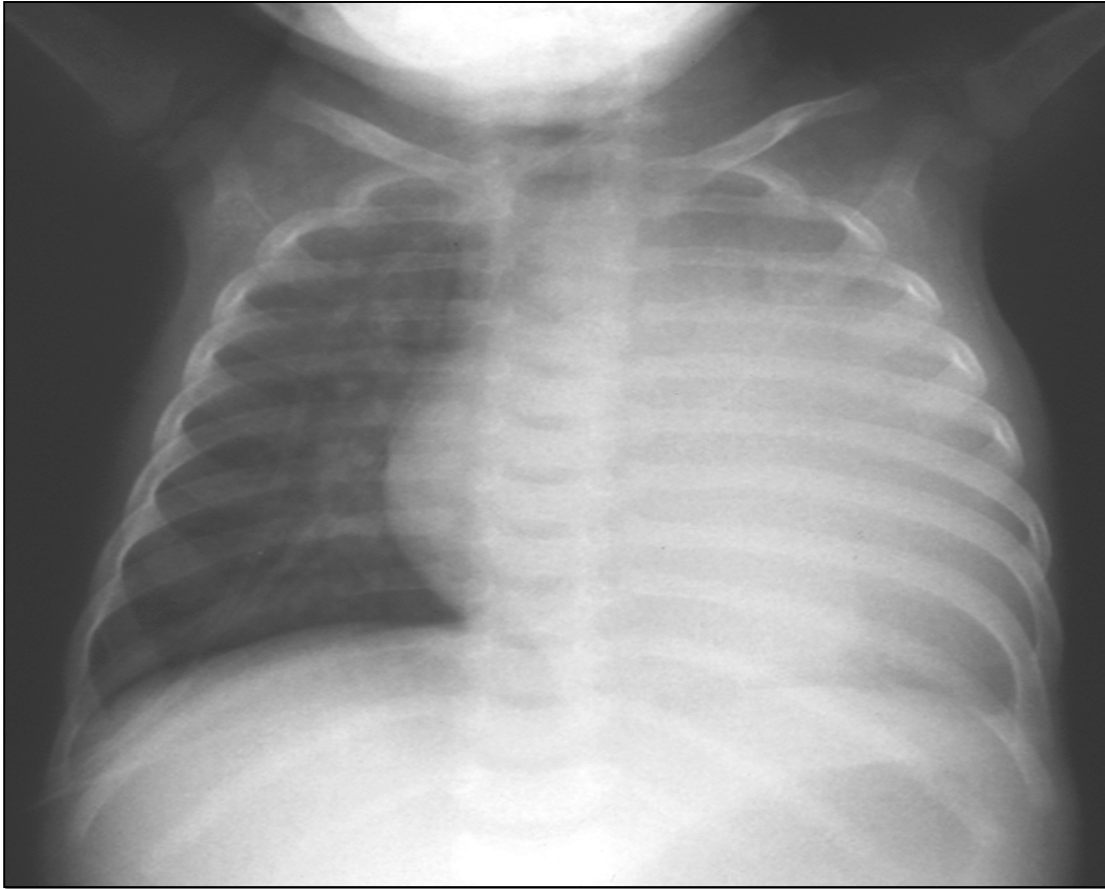
- Difficoltà di alimentazione/mancanza di crescita
- Organomegalia (epatomegalia/splenomegalia/macroglossia)

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## GSDII – forma infantile

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- Cardiomegalia evidenziabile con RX torace
- Cardiomiopatia evidenziabile con Eco-cardio
- Progressione verso insufficienza cardiaca
- Anomalie ECG
  - Intervallo PR breve
  - Complessi QRS ampi

Hirschhorn P, Paucar AH. Glycogen storage disease type II: acid alpha-glucosidase (acid maltase) deficiency. *The Metabolic and*



# Caratteristiche cliniche – forma late-onset

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<b>Apparato muscoloscheletrico</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Debolezza muscolare prossimale progressiva (in particolare arti inferiori e tronco)</li><li>• Anomalie a livello di deambulazione</li><li>• Dolore muscolare</li><li>• Difficoltà a salire le scale</li><li>• Cadute frequenti</li><li>• Scapole alate</li></ul>
<b>Apparato respiratorio</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Insufficienza respiratoria di vario grado</li><li>• Ortopnea</li><li>• Apnea notturna</li><li>• Dispnea da sforzo</li><li>• Infezioni respiratorie</li></ul>
<b>Altro</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sonnolenza durante il giorno</li><li>• Cefalea mattutina</li><li>• Osteopenia</li><li>• Coinvolgimento delle funzioni cognitive superiori</li></ul>

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## Debolezza prossimale

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Debolezza nei muscoli del cingolo pelvico,  
dimostrata da manovra di Gower positiva

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# GSD II – forma late-onset

## Diagnosi differenziale

Diagnosi	Segni e sintomi in comune	Diagnosi differenziale
Distrofia muscolare progressiva scapolo-omerale e del cingolo pelvico	Debolezza muscolare prossimale progressiva a livello pelvico, di gambe o spalle	Muscoli del tronco (GSDII)
Distrofia muscolare Becker/Duchenne	Debolezza muscolare prossimale progressiva, distress respiratorio, difficoltà di deambulazione	Colpisce maschi e femmine (GSDII)
Polimiosite	Debolezza muscolare progressiva, spesso simmetrica	Possibile dolore muscolare, decorso relativ. rapido (PM)

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# Glicogenosi II - Eterogeneità

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**Eterogeneità Clinica**

**Eterogeneità Patologica**

**Eterogeneità Genetica**



# Eterogeneità clinica

**Table 1.** Clinical and laboratory data of 38 patients with GSD2

GSD2 phenotype	Infantile	Juvenile	Adult/late-onset
No. of patients	4	10	24
Age at onset (mean)	6.5 months	11.5 years	42.3 years
Brain			
Myelination defects	n.r./n.i.	n.r./n.i.	n.r./n.i.
Angiopathy	n.r.	n.r.	1
Eyes			
Retina	n.r./n.i.	n.r./n.i.	n.r./n.i.
Hearing			
Impaired	0	2	3
Heart			
Cardiac arrhythmia	0	1 (WPW)	2 (WPW)
Cardiomyopathy	4	1	0
Scoliosis	0	8	16
Muscle			
Hypotonia	4	0	0
Scapular winging	4	5	17
Trendelenburg's sign	—	3	21
Tongue enlarged	2	1	1
Proximal	4	10	24
Distal	4	5	10
Diaphragm	4	8	11
Axial	4	8	17
Liver			
Enlarged	4	1	1
Laboratory findings			
CK elevation	4 (1–10x)	10 (1–10x)	24 (1–10x)
LDH elevation	4	5	10
ASAT, ALAT elevation	4	4	4

GSD2, glycogen storage disease type 2; n.r., not reported; n.i., not identified; WPW, Wolf-Parkinson-White syndrome; CK, creatine kinase; LDH, lactate dehydrogenase; ASAT, aspartate aminotransferase; ALAT, alanine aminotransferase.

IperCKemia

Mild muscle involvement

Respiratory involvement

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Clinical and molecular aspects of 30 patients with late-onset Pompe disease (LOPD): unusual features and response to treatment

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# Clinical Heterogeneity

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HEART

RESPIRATORY

MUSCLE

GASTROINTESTINAL

BONE

BRAIN

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PERIPHERAL NERVES

## Non-muscle involvement in late-onset Glycogenosis II

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### Small-Fiber Neuropathy in Pompe Disease: First Reported Cases and Prospective Screening of a Clinic Cohort

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### Bent Spine Syndrome as the Initial Symptom of Late-Onset Pompe Disease

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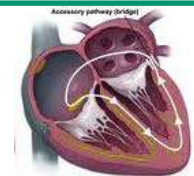
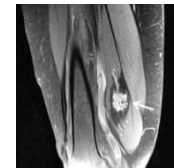
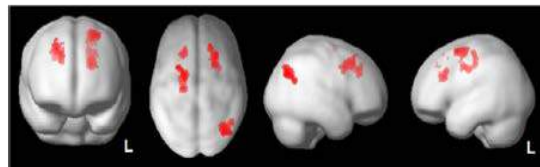
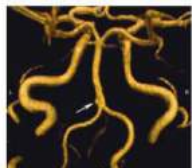
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### TO THE EDITOR

### Fasciculations in Late-Onset Pompe Disease: A Sign of Motor Neuron Involvement?



# EMG and MRI

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## EMG

Needle electromyography demonstrated spontaneous activity in 83% of adults.

Myotonic discharges were found in 72% of adults, often isolated to **the paraspinal muscles**.

Paraspinal examination is necessary in adults with symptoms suggestive of Pompe disease, as abnormalities may be isolated to this region.

Clin Neurophysiol. 2011 Nov;122(11):2312-7

The clinical and electrodiagnostic characteristics of Pompe disease with post-enzyme replacement therapy findings.  
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## MRI

Muscle changes consisted of *internal bright signals of fatty replacement* without severe retraction of the muscles' corpus.  
**Spine extensors and pelvic girdle** involvement.

Muscle changes also in the tongue and subscapularis muscle.

Thigh involvement is heterogeneous in terms of distribution across muscles as well as with respect to the overall clinical presentation.

**The combination of paravertebral and abdominal muscle involvement may serve as a useful tool in the diagnostic work-up of patients with a clinical suspicion of Pompe disease;**

**Trunk abnormalities appear at very early stages of disease** and even in asymptomatic patients, possibly "announcing" the onset of the disease and thus the need for a closer clinical follow-up.



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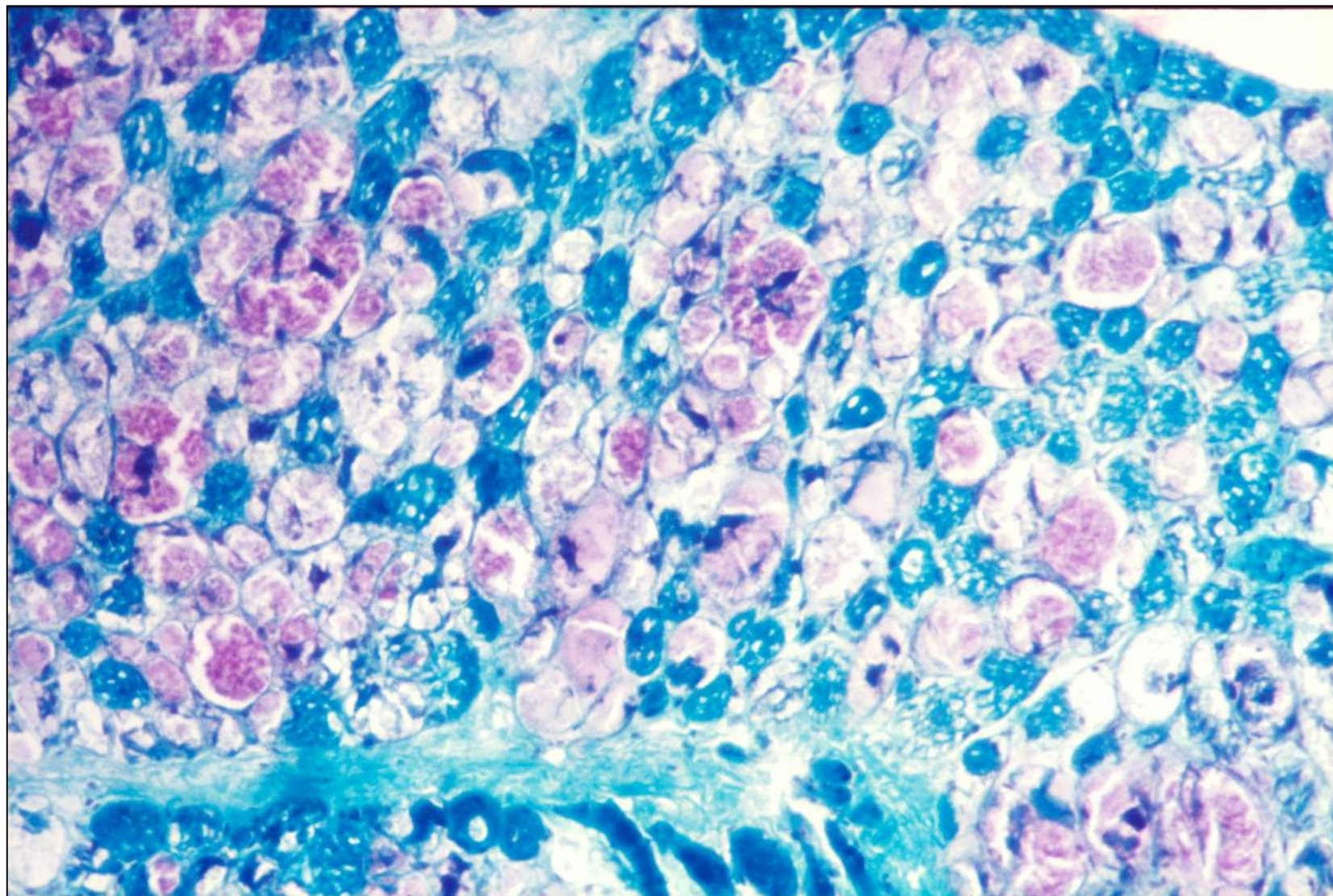
Trunk muscle involvement in late-onset Pompe disease: study of thirty patients.

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Whole-body muscle MRI in 20 patients suffering from late onset Pompe disease: Involvement patterns

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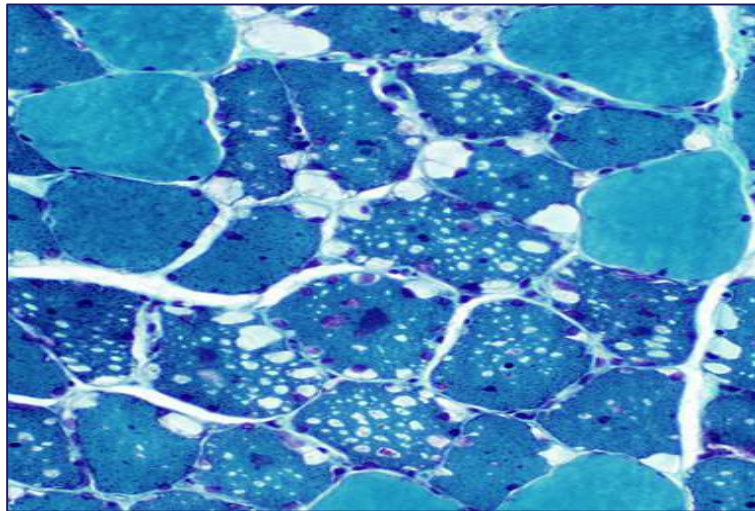
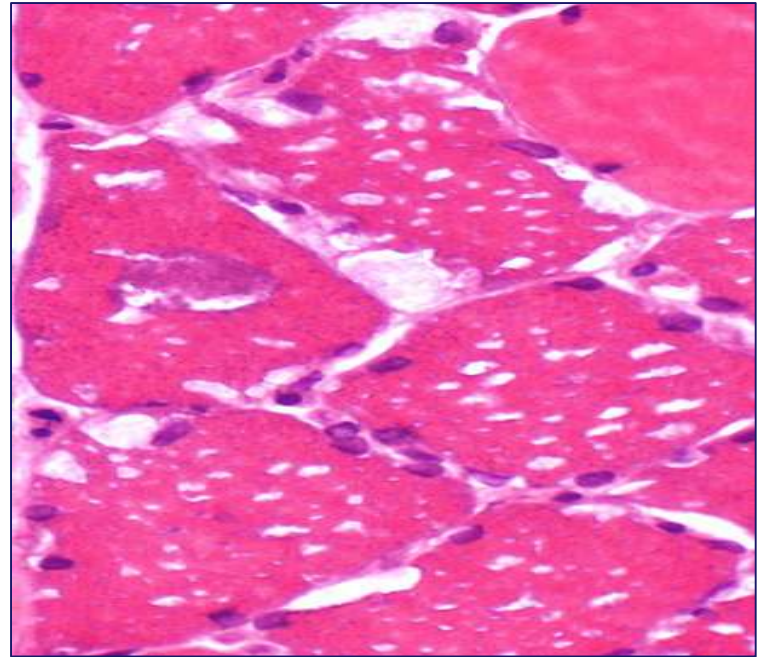
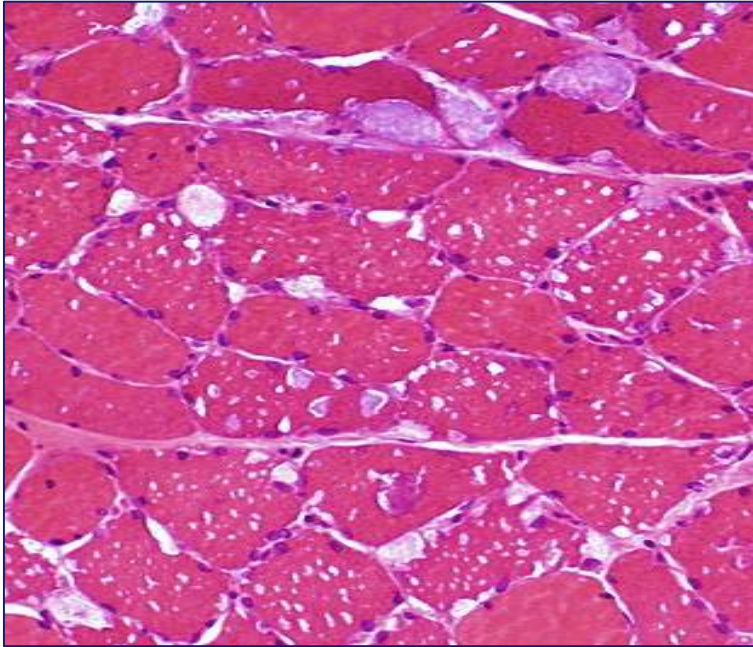




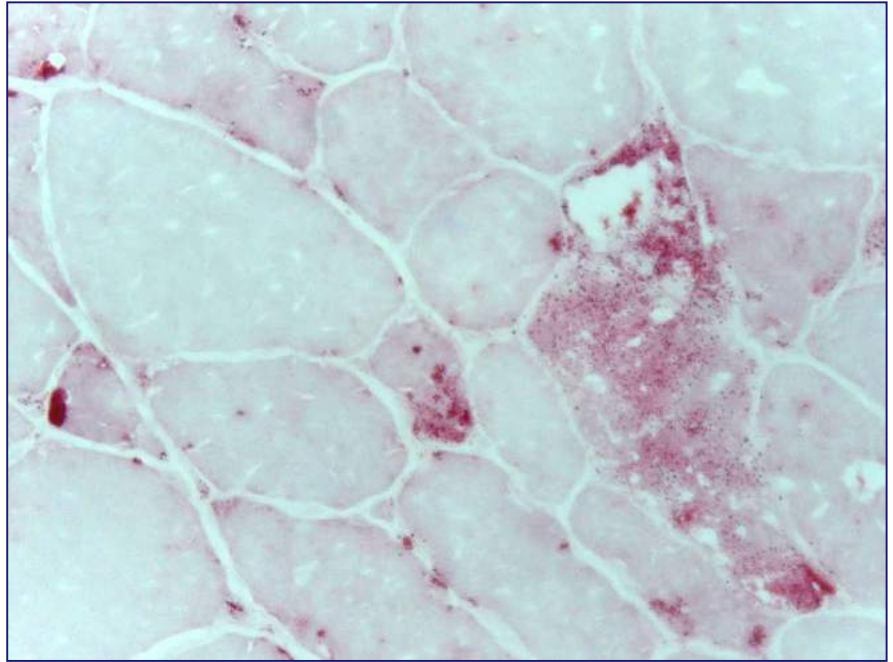
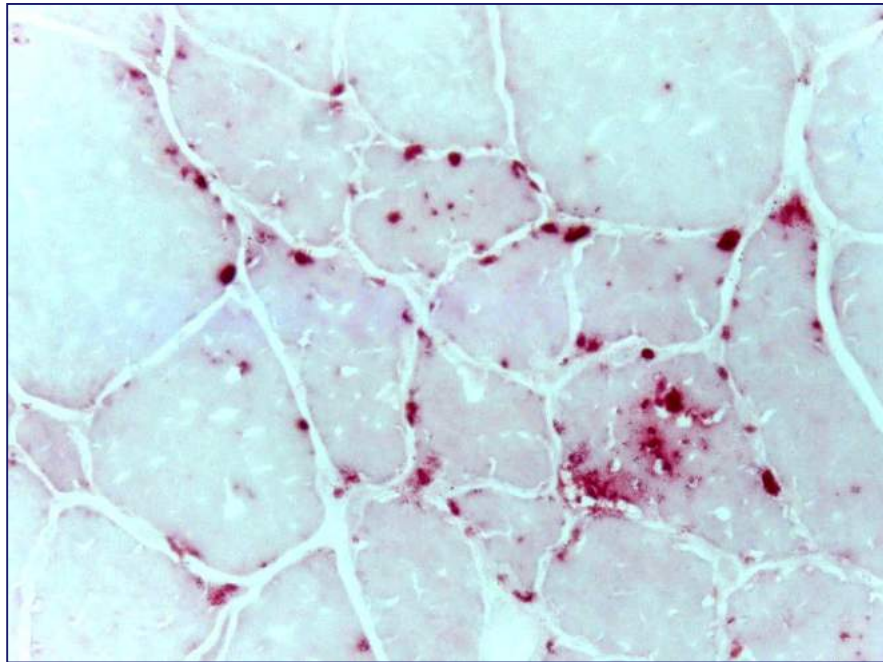
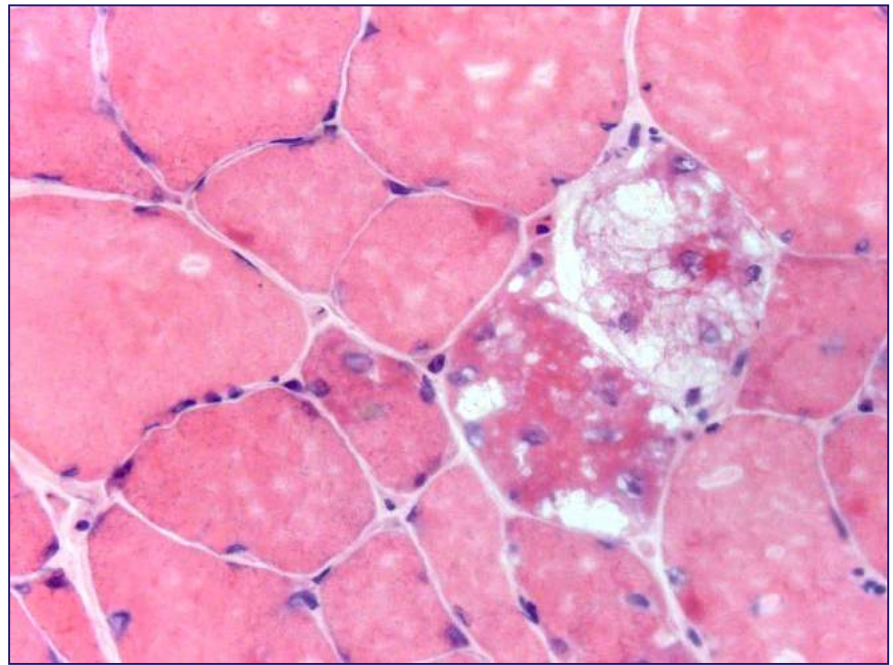
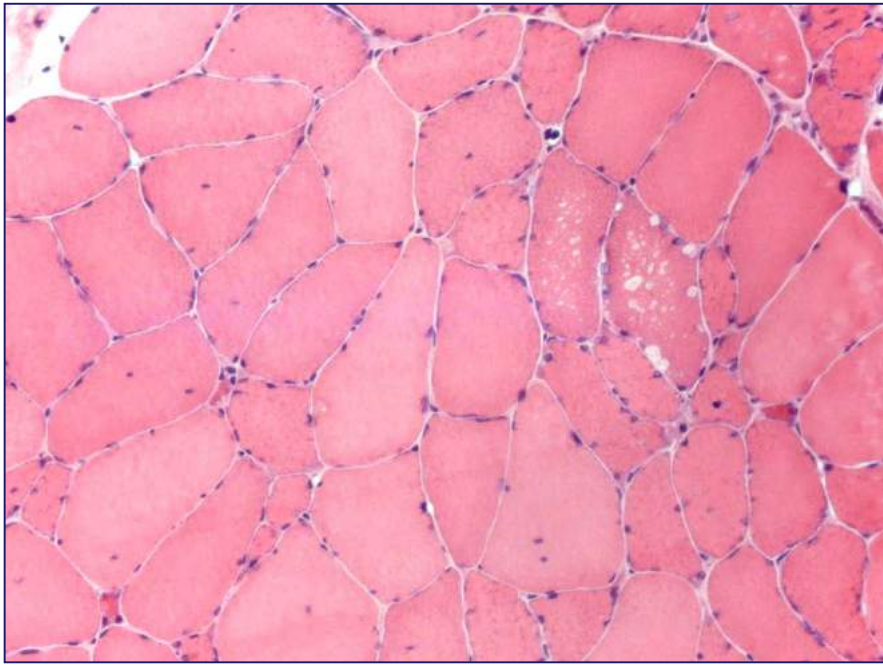


## Late-onset form

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# Biochemical diagnosis

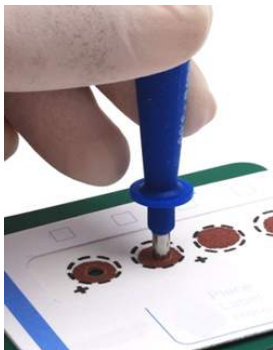
<b>SAMPLE</b>	<b>ADVANTAGES</b>	<b>DISADVANTAGES</b>
<b>LEUKOCYTES</b>	Minimally invasive, a few steps to prepare.	Requires the use of acarbose to eliminate the interference of glucoamylase
<b>PURIFIED LYMPHOCYTE</b>	Minimally invasive	The preparation is more laborious compared to that required for the dosage on leukocytes
<b>FIBROBLASTS</b>	Availability of a cell line. Reliable assay with synthetic substrate	Results in 4-6 weeks. Laboratory equipped for cell culture. More invasive
<b>MUSCLE BIOPSY</b>	Histological evaluation and biochemical assay. Useful for the differential diagnosis with other myopathies	More invasive. The transport requires the use of liquid nitrogen. Frozen tissue
<b>DRIED BLOOD SPOT (DBS)</b>	Reliable first test for screening patients suspected of having Pompe disease	

# Glycogenosis II: biochemical diagnosis

## STUDIO LOPED

Multicenter observational study by the "Italian Group for the Study of Glycogen storage disease type II" (Italian Association of Myology, AIM) designed to evaluate the prevalence of GSD II in a large population of patients at high risk for the disease, by means of different biochemical DBS methods:

- Fluorimetric technique
- Tandem mass spectrometry



RESEARCH PAPER

## LOPED study: looking for an early diagnosis in a late-onset Pompe disease high-risk population

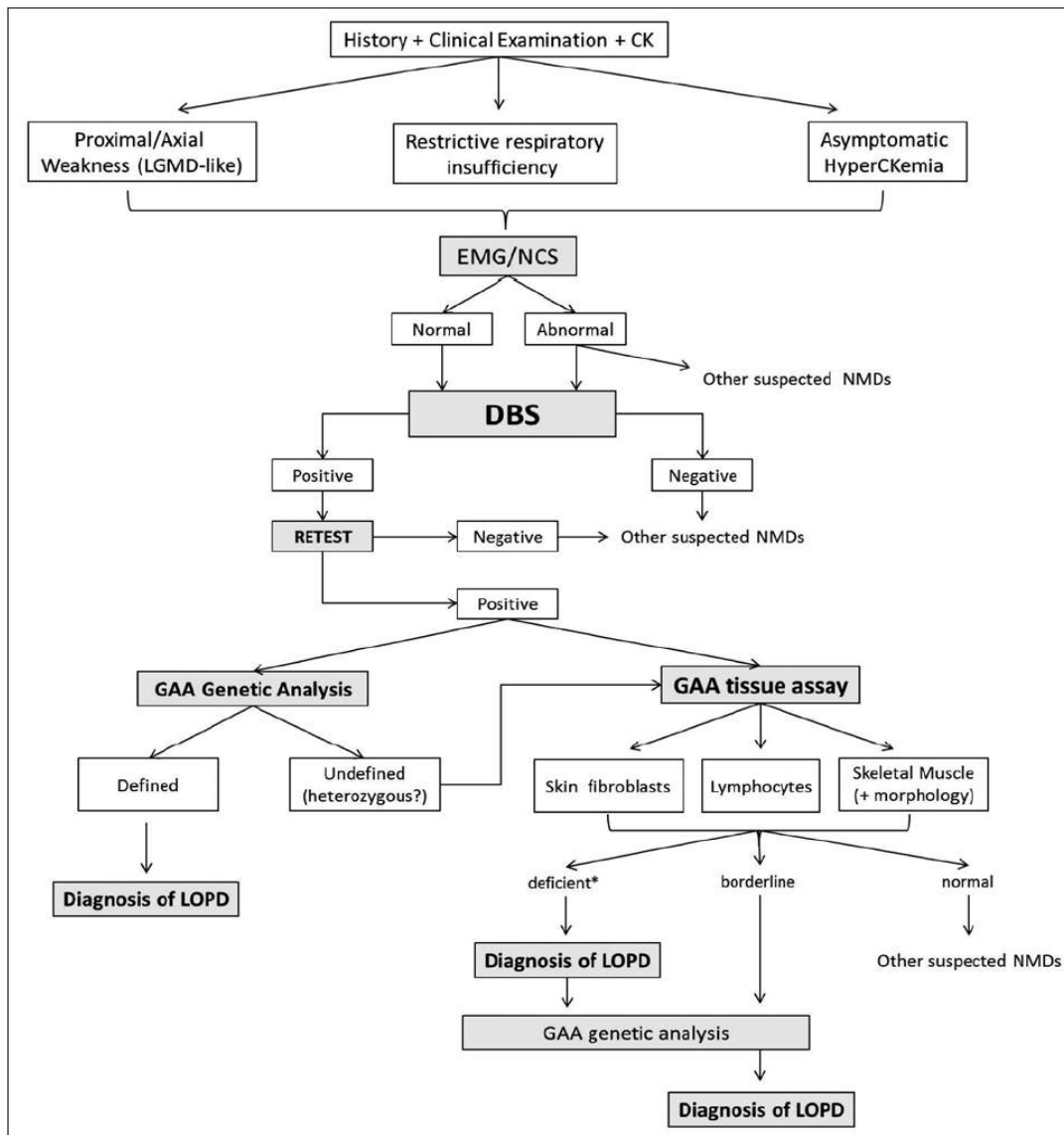
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17 pazienti positivi con deficit biochimico confermato



**Figure 1.** LOPD diagnostic algorithm.

(LOPD) Late-Onset Pompe Disease; (LGMD) Limb-Girdle Muscle Dystrophy; (EMG/NCS) electromyography and nerve conduction studies; (NMDs) neuromuscular disorders; (DBS) dried blood spot; (GAA)  $\alpha$ -glucosidase A; \*GAA activity <30%, borderline 30-40%.

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**Early is better?**  
 A new algorithm for early diagnosis  
 in Late Onset Pompe Disease (LOPD)



# Quando inviare il paziente?

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**History + Clinical examination + CK**



- Proximal/axial weakness (LGMD-like)
- Restrictive Respiratory insufficiency
- Asymptomatic HyperCKemia

## Centri di Riferimento

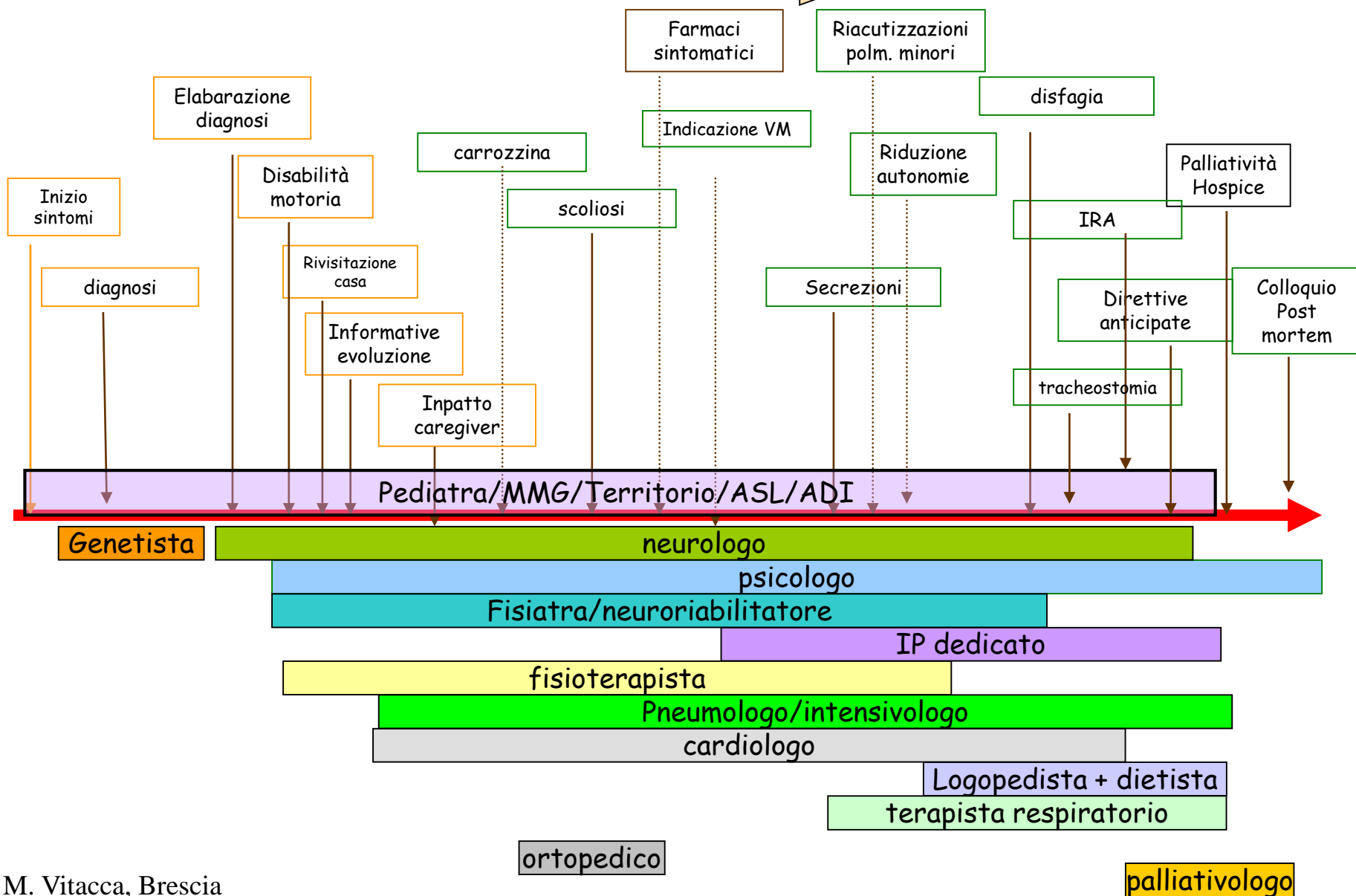


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# Malattie neuromuscolari



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# Gestione integrata neurologica e pneumologica del paziente con glicogenosi tipo II

Multidisciplinary neurological and pneumological management of patients with glycogenosis type II

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La necessità di una co-gestione pneumologico-neurologica dei pazienti adulti affetti dalla malattia ha aperto nuovi scenari nell'approccio a pazienti fino ad oggi sostanzialmente "sconosciuti".

L'insufficienza respiratoria polmonare è la principale causa di morbilità e mortalità tra i pazienti affetti dalla forma giovanile o adulta di GSDII.

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## Late-Onset Glycogen Storage Disease Type 2

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# ERT: Myozyme (alglucosidasi alfa)

The recommended dose of Myozyme™ is 20 mg/kg of body weight administered every 2 weeks (14 days) with intravenous infusion.

Schema di Infusione di Myozyme <small>(elaborato da 10-Par. 4.2)</small>
1 mg/Kg/h per 30 minuti
<i>se Myozyme risulta ben tollerato passare a</i>
3 mg/Kg/h per 30 minuti
<i>se Myozyme risulta ben tollerato passare a</i>
5 mg/Kg/h per 30 minuti
<i>se Myozyme risulta ben tollerato passare a</i>
7 mg/Kg/h per il restante periodo di infusione

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## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## A Randomized Study of Alglucosidase Alfa in Late-Onset Pompe's Disease

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**Table 2. Results of Analysis of Covariance for Changes from Baseline to Week 78 for Primary and Secondary End Points.\***

End Point	Alglucosidase Alfa Group (N=60)	Placebo Group (N=30)	Difference between Groups	P Value
Distance walked on 6-min walk test — m				
Baseline	332.2±126.7	317.9±132.3		
Week 78	357.9±141.3	313.1±144.7		
Change (95% CI)	25.13 (10.07 to 40.19)	-2.99 (-24.16 to 18.18)	28.12 (2.07 to 54.17)	0.03
Forced vital capacity — % of predicted				
Baseline	55.4±14.4	53.0±15.7		
Week 78	56.7±16.3	50.7±14.9		
Change (95% CI)	1.20 (-0.16 to 2.57)	-2.20 (-4.12 to -0.28)	3.40 (1.03 to 5.77)	0.006
Quantitative muscle testing, leg — % of predicted				
Baseline	37.7±18.9	32.5±18.2		
Week 78	39.1±21.8	30.4±20.5		
Change (95% CI)	1.18 (-1.07 to 3.42)	-2.00 (-5.16 to 1.17)	3.18 (-0.73 to 7.08)	0.11
Quantitative muscle testing, arm — % of predicted				
Baseline	55.9±20.4	56.9±18.2		
Week 78	60.9±21.7	58.3±20.9		
Change (95% CI)	5.05 (1.91 to 8.18)	1.47 (-2.92 to 5.87)	3.57 (-1.83 to 8.97)	0.19
Maximum inspiratory pressure — % of predicted				
Baseline	40.0±19.7	42.6±21.0		

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## ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION

## Observational clinical study in juvenile-adult glycogenosis type 2 patients undergoing enzyme replacement therapy for up to 4 years

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## Progress in enzyme replacement therapy in glycogen storage disease type II

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# Effects of the ERT

- ❑ The muscle strength and respiratory functions deteriorate significantly before beginning therapy

## Following treatment:

- ❑ Significant increase in **muscle strength, pulmonary function and daily living activities**, followed by a stabilization of these parameters
- ❑ **Muscle function** improves in patients who are not dependent on a wheelchair and who have mild or moderate muscle weakness: it confirms the importance of the timely institution of therapy
- ❑ **Respiratory function** in the supine position improves in younger patients who are not dependent on artificial ventilation; Daily use of HMV and hospitalization rate are lower in ERT treated patients; **ERT reduces ventilatory dependence**



Rate of progression and predictive factors for pulmonary outcome in children and adults with Pompe disease  
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## NEUROMUSCULAR DISEASE

### Enzyme Replacement Therapy Improves Respiratory Outcomes in Patients with Late-Onset Type II Glycogenosis and High Ventilator Dependency

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Based on these considerations, we believe that our findings provide useful information for physicians caring for patients with “late-onset” GSDII, in terms of clinical practice, which can be summarised as follows:

- ERT should be considered as viable option for individuals showing far advanced respiratory compromise;
- patients with severe respiratory disability demonstrate great tolerance and good acceptance of this therapy;
- serial FVC measurement is inadequate and potentially misleading in order to evaluate the efficacy of ERT on



Workshop report

208th ENMC International Workshop:  
Formation of a European Network to develop a European data sharing  
model and treatment guidelines for Pompe disease  
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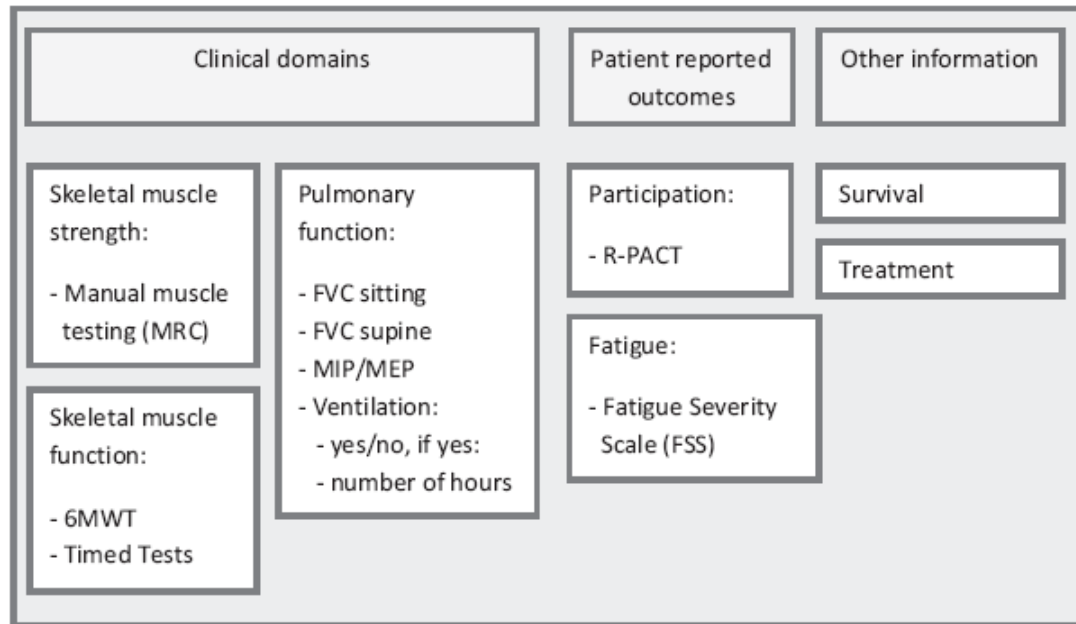


Fig. 1. Domains affected in adult Pompe patients and minimal set of outcome measures. MRC – the Medical Research Council grading scale (ranging from 0 to 5); 6MWT – six minute walk test; Timed tests: walking 10 metres, climbing four steps, standing up from supine position and standing up from a chair; MIP/MEP – maximum inspiratory/expiratory pressure, FVC – forced vital capacity; R-PACT – Rasch-built Pompe-specific activity scale, FSS – fatigue severity scale.

# Transizione dalle cure pediatriche a quelle dell'adulto

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La Società Americana di Medicina dell'adolescente ha definito la fase di transizione come

“un passaggio, programmato e finalizzato, di adolescenti e giovani adulti affetti da problemi fisici e medici di natura cronica da un sistema di cure centrato sul bambino ad uno orientato sull'adulto”





# Malattia di Pompe in transizione - Rischi

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Creazione di un gruppo di pazienti con problematiche cliniche diverse dai pazienti infantili e dai pazienti ad esordio tardivo



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