

# **Pseudomonas Aeruginosa Hapten For Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH)**

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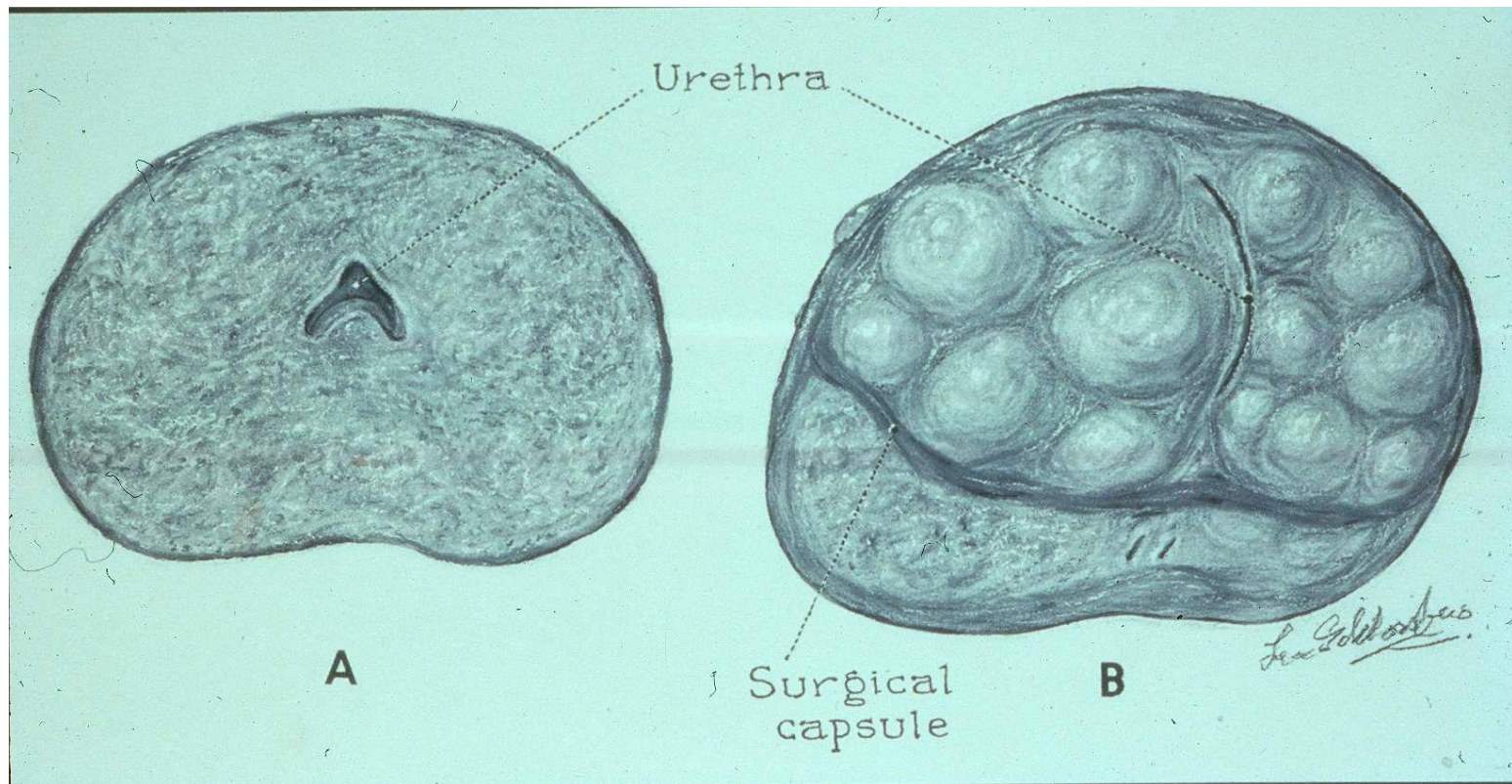
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- BPH
  - Diagnosis
  - Treatment
    - surgical
    - drugs
  - Pseudomonas Aeruginosa Hapten
    - development
    - Study
    - Results
  - Next Steps

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# BPH

- Benign prostate growth (cause ?)
- Only men
- Starts from 50 yr on
- 50 yr 50%
- 60 yr 60%
- Causes often complaints
- Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms (LUTS)

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- '**BPH**' is benign prostate growth
  - Often causes obstruction '**BOO**'
  - Accompanying complaints '**LUTS**'

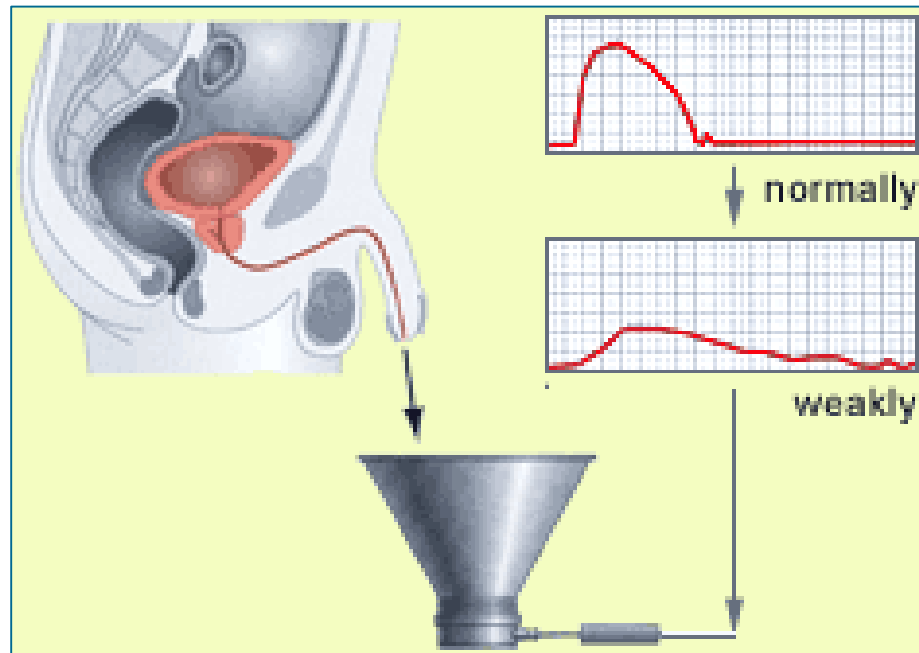


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# Diagnosis

- Complaints score (IPSS)
- DRE
- Uroflow: Maximum flow ( $Q_{max}$ )

# Uroflowmetry





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# Treatment BPH

- Surgical
  - TURP, Laser
  - Open surgery
  - Heat treatment
  - Anchors
- Drugs
  - alfa blockers (Xatral, Omnic, Silodyx)
  - 5 alfa reductase inhibitors (Proscar, Avodart)

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# Efficacy

## ***Medication***

- IPSS decreases from 20 to 14
- Qmax from 10 ml/s to 13ml/s

## ***Surgery***

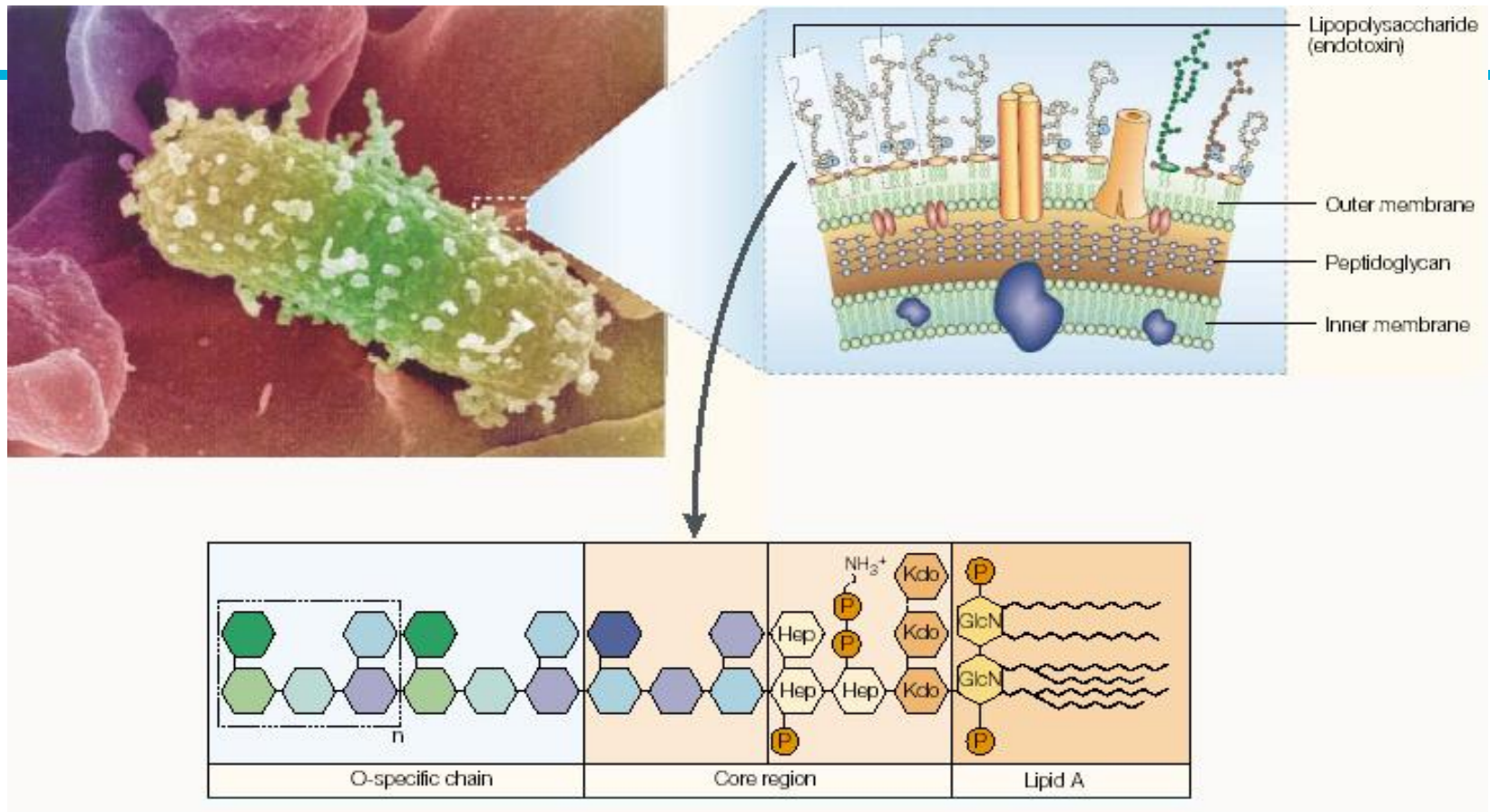
- IPSS decreases from 22- to 7
- Qmax from 10 ml/s to 18-20 ml/s

N'Dow BJUint 2013

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# Pseudomonas Aeruginosa Hapten

- Hapten is incomplete antigen
- In combination with antibodies immune response is evoked
- Haptens are polysaccharids, made from parts of bacteria
- Toxic effect is gone, immune response remains
- Presumed working mechanism is fibrinolysis



- **Pseudomonas Aeruginosa**
- **Hapten/ incomplete antibody/ lipid A**
- **Polysaccharide O+C/ nucleic acids remains/ carrier**

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# Cheloids → BPH

common features..

- Hyperplastic nodules with fibroblast proliferation
- Collagen accumulation
- Lymphoid infiltration

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# Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia

- Growth of glands of prostate
- Growth of muscle tissue of prostate
- Growth of fibrotic tissue of prostate
- Cause unknown, however inflammation present  
Gandaglia G et al BJU Int. 2013 Aug;112(4):432-41
- BPH can be triggered by immune system

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# Pseudomonas Aeruginosa Hapteen

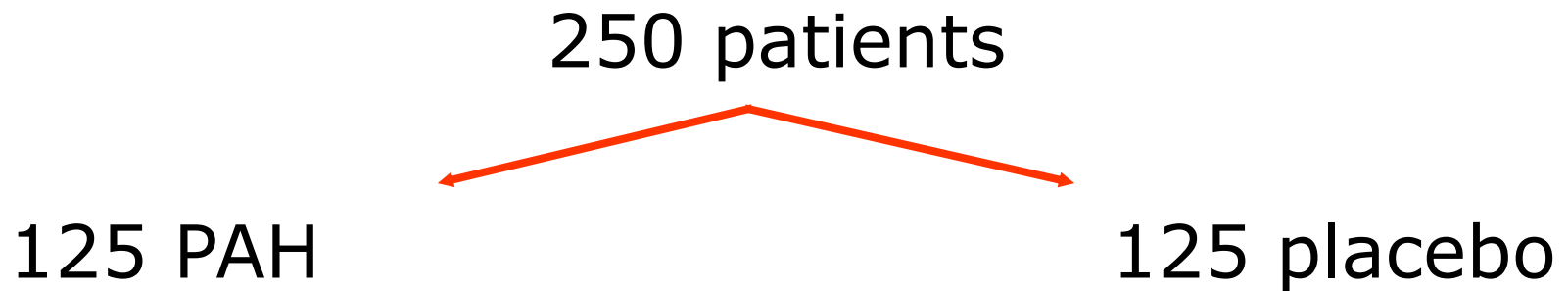
- Developed by Dr Hipolito Ojeda in 1984 onwards
- Admitted in scar tissue
- Tested in patients at Fu...  
Buenos Aires, Argentina



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# Study

- men with LUTS by BPH





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# Study

- Blinded
- Approval from MEC
- Randomised between PAH & placebo
- Subcutaneous injections
- Every day an injection during 120 days

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# Study

## Outcome

- Uroflow (Qmax, residual urine)
- Consistence of prostate
- Size of prostate
- IPSS score (Boyarski)
- PSA

Switched to active  
treatment

## Results after 120 days



	PAH (n=119)			Placebo (n=115)		
	day 0	day 45	day 120	day 0	day 45	day 120
Age (years)	65 ± 8			65 ± 9		
Qmax (ml/s)	8.1 ± 2.9	11.5 ± 2.1	15.5 ± 2.4	7.0 ± 1.4	8.3 ± 4.9	15.4 ± 2.2
residual urine (ml)	188 ± 56	89 ± 24.2	47 ± 14	151 ± 45	148 ± 58.1	45 ± 15
DRE score (0-4)	3.1 ± 0.9	2.3 ± 0.9	1.5 ± 0.6	3.4 ± 0.8	3.4 ± 0.8	1.5 ± 0.5
prostate size (ml)	73 ± 24	65 ± 21	58 ± 18	73 ± 24	76 ± 23.1	63 ± 18.3
PSA (ng/l)	6.1 ± 2.9	4.9 ± 2.4	3.3 ± 2.0	6.4 ± 1.0	6.1 ± 1.1	2.5 ± 1.2
Boyarski score (0-27)	13.5 ± 0.5	7.5 ± 0.5	5.5 ± 0.5	13.5 ± 0.5	14.5 ± 0.5	7.5 ± 0.5

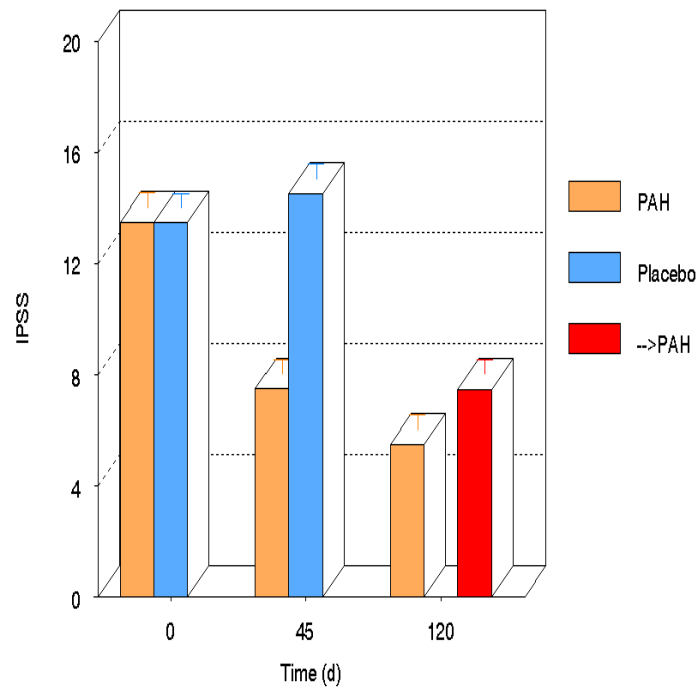
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# Results after 5 years

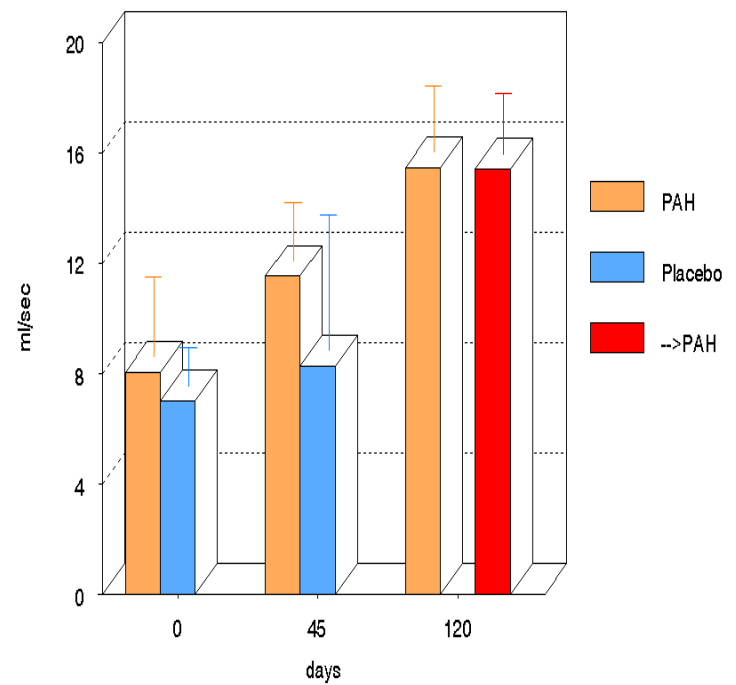
	day 0	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years
	n=234	n=209	n=190	n=164	n=148	n=83
Qmax (ml/s)	7.5 ± 1.9	16.6 ± 3.1	17.7 ± 3.6	18.9 ± 3.5	21.3 ± 3.5	21.0 ± 3.7
residual urine (ml)	169 ± 50	47 ± 11	44 ± 11	41 ± 9	36 ± 8	34 ± 6
DRE score (0-4)	3.2 ± 0.9	1.2 ± 0.4	1.2 ± 0.4	1.2 ± 0.4	1.1 ± 0.3	1.3 ± 0.5
prostate size (ml)	73 ± 24	61 ± 18	62 ± 19	62 ± 16	60 ± 16	64 ± 12
PSA (ng/l)	6.3 ± 1.8	2.9 ± 1.4	2.8 ± 1.2	2.7 ± 1.1	2.2 ± 1.1	2.0 ± 1.0
Boyerski score (0-27)	13.5 ± 0.5	6.7 ± 0.9	8.1 ± 1.2	8.3 ± 1.4	8.2 ± 0.8	9.8 ± 0.6

# Results I

IPSS

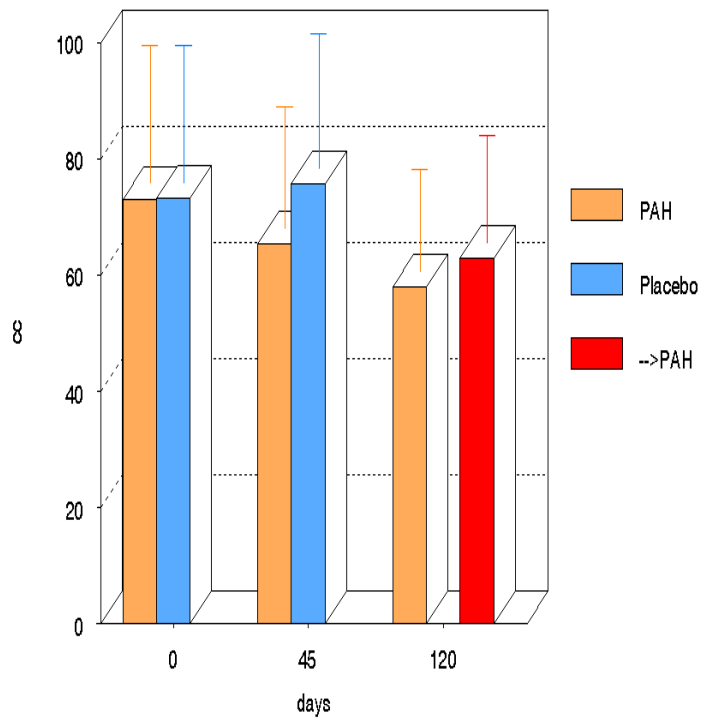


Qmax

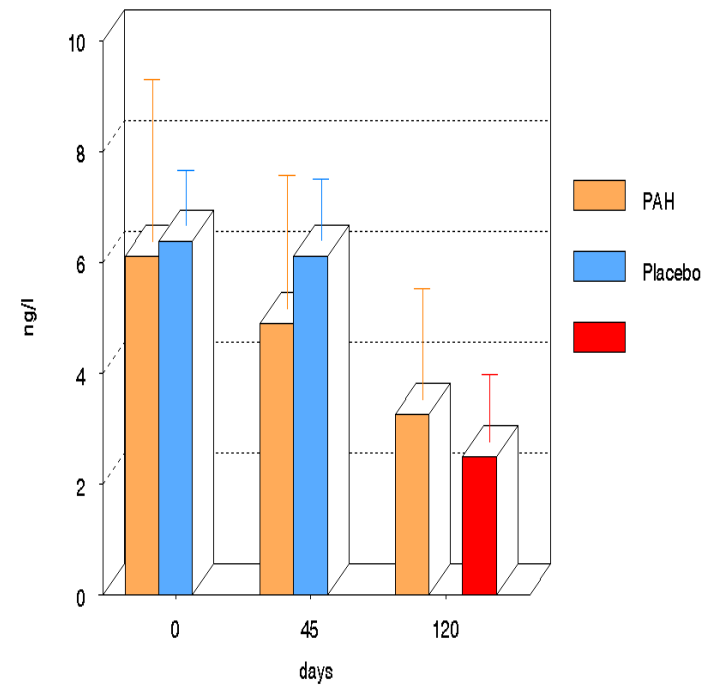


# Results III

V prostate



PSA



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# Conclusions

- Effective
- Safe (?)
- Better than other treatments (?)
- Scientific proof

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# PAH and PC3

IL-6 and IL-8 blocking?

Kuijpers, Schalken, Heesakkers  
URL Radboud UMC NL 2006



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# Introduction

- BPH is histologically associated with chronic inflammation

Gandaglia G et al BJU Int. 2013 Aug;112(4):432-41

- Toll-like receptors are expressed in BPH and PCa tissue

Konig J, The Prostate 58 2004: 121-129

- Toll-like receptors (TLR) play important role in inflammatory host cell response towards bacteria and bacterial products

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# Hypothesis

- In inflammatory network of tissue from BPH, PCa & PC3 cell lines, microbial & immunological stimuli lead to changes in inflammatory cascades
- Assessed by release of cytokines, expression of chemokine receptors and Toll-like receptors

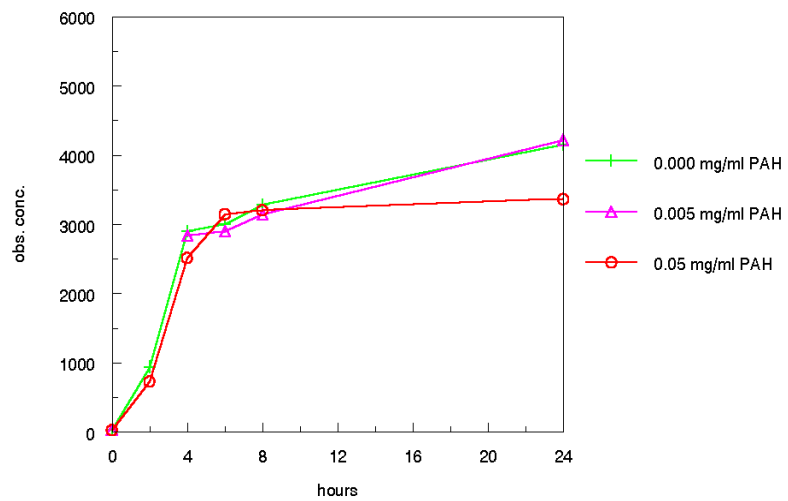
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# Material and methods

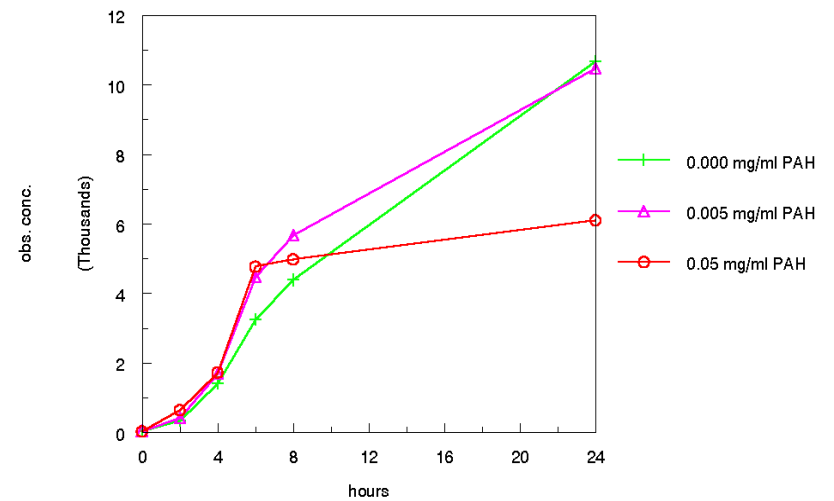
- $2.5 \times 10^5$  cells/ml with or without various PAH concentrations were cultured for 24 hours
- Culture supernatants collected and stored at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$
- IL-6 and IL-8 concentrations measured with ELISA-like Bio-plex assay
- Cell viability using Trypane blue

# IL-6

IL-6  
0.5% FCS

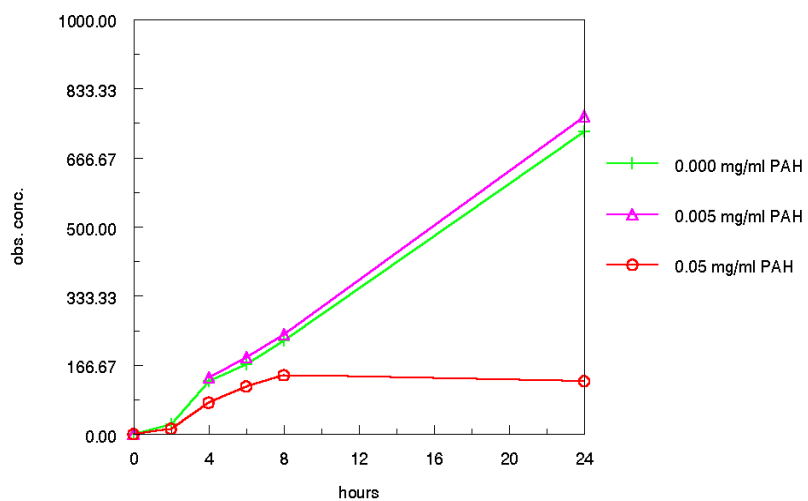


IL-6  
5% FCS

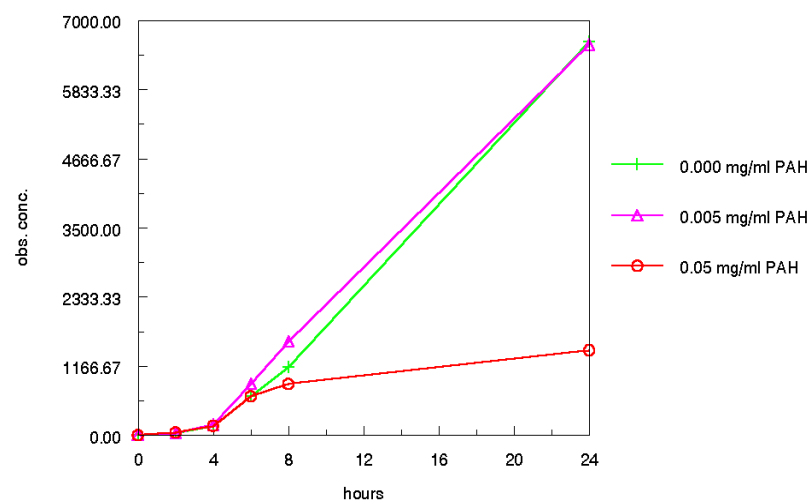


# IL-8

IL-8  
0.5% FCS



IL-8  
5% FCS



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# Conclusions

- PAH may inhibit IL-8 and IL-6 production in PC3 via Toll-like receptor
- Rationale for PAH treatment for BPH may exist

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# Issues & Next Steps

- Studies Sound?
- Product made according to GLP?
- Valid in Europe & US?
- IP issues?
- Introduction from scratch on?