



3.3.5 Diagnosis and Treatment of Diseases Associated with Abnormalities of the Complement System Group

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STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

This is a national reference group for the study of primary or acquired defects in the complement system.

The main aim is to gain an understanding of the molecular mechanisms underlying in complement deficiency or dysregulation in several human diseases, the majority of which are classified as rare diseases.

In this context, the group implements and applies various methodological strategies (immunological, biochemical, proteomic and genetic) to detect clinically relevant deficiencies or functional defects in complement components. By following a clearly translational approach,

the group also develops new diagnostic tests which are implemented in the clinical practice, especially for treatment adjustment and patient follow-up.

The research lines could be classified as:

screening and characterization of genetic or acquired complement defects that cause renal pathology (I), functional and molecular diagnosis of deficiencies affecting individual components of the complement system (II), diagnosis and molecular studies in Hereditary Angioedema and screening for disease modifying genes (III), study of pathogenic mechanisms in acquired lipodystrophies (IV).



RESEARCH LINES

- Screening and characterization of genetic and acquired Complement defects in renal disease.
- Biochemical and molecular diagnosis of isolated Complement deficiencies.
- Characterization of autoantibodies in acquired generalized lipodystrophy.
- Screening and molecular characterization of disease modifying genes in Hereditary Angioedema.
- Genetic and immunological mechanisms associated with Complement dysregulation in partial lipodystrophy.

RESEARCH ACTIVITY

● Doctoral theses

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