

ADTKD-U MOD: What's new ?

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Autosomal dominant tubulointerstitial kidney disease

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ADTKD-Gene: Replacing FJHN, MCKD

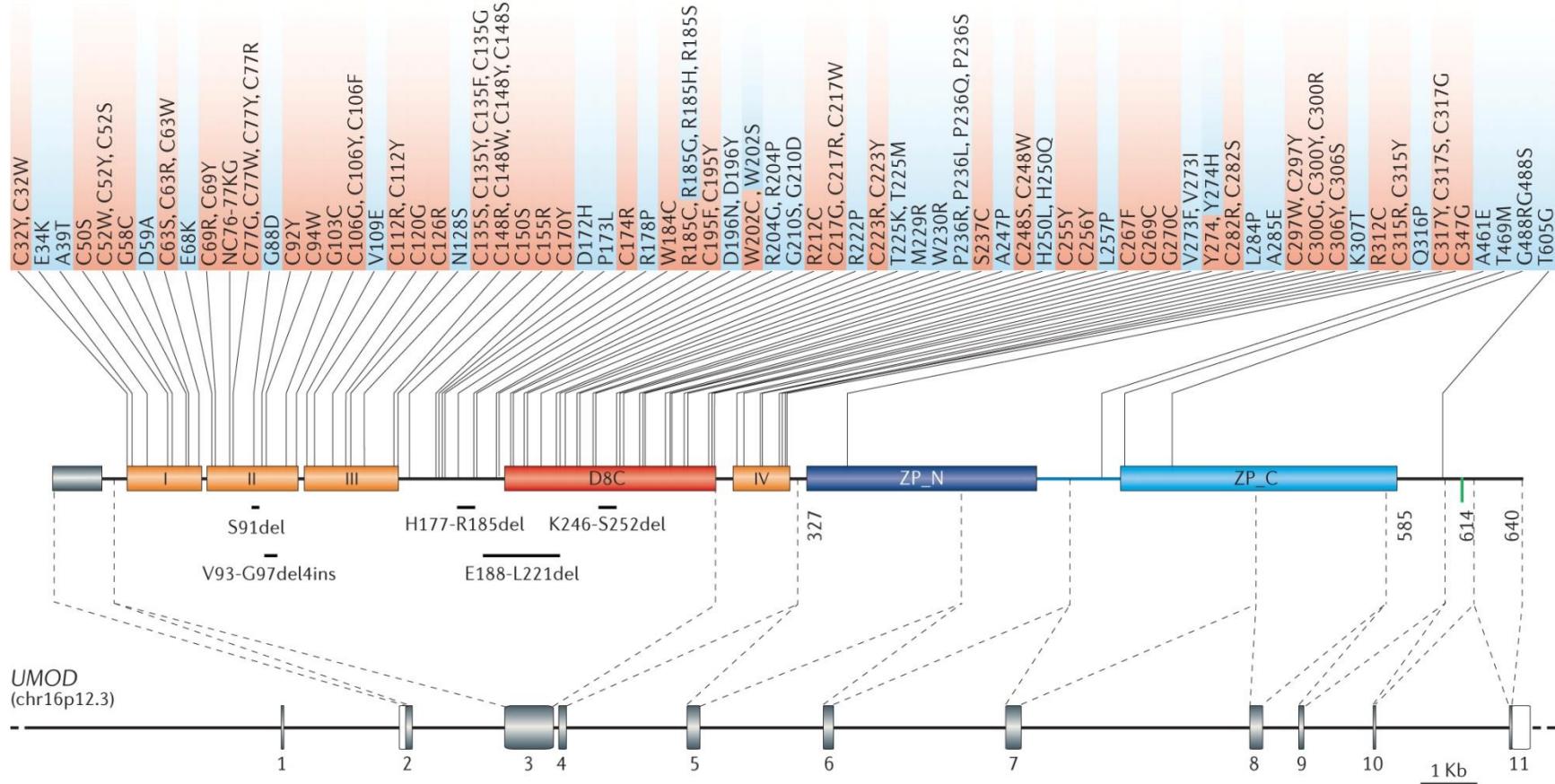
Affected Gene (OMIM ID; chromosome)	Terminology ^a	Protein	Expression (distribution)	Protein function(s)
UMOD (*191845; 16q12)	ADTKD-UMOD	Uromodulin	Kidney (TAL and DCT segments)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regulates transport, blood pressure and urinary concentration• Protection against kidney stones• Protection against urinary tract infections• Regulation of innate immunity
MUC1 (*158340; 1q22)	ADTKD-MUC1	Mucin 1	Secretory epithelia (for example, lungs, stomach, intestine and kidney)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Protection of epithelial mucus barrier• Immunomodulatory properties• Signal transduction
HNF1B (*189907; 17q12)	ADTKD-HNF1B	Hepatocyte nuclear factor 1 β	Kidney, pancreas, liver, lung, intestine and urogenital tract	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transcription factor involved in the (early) development of neural tube, pancreas, gut, liver, lung, kidney and

1% of patients with CKD stages 3–5 and 2% of patients with ESRD had ADTKD- UMOD

→ Most common monogenic kidney disease after collagen IV mutations and ADPKD

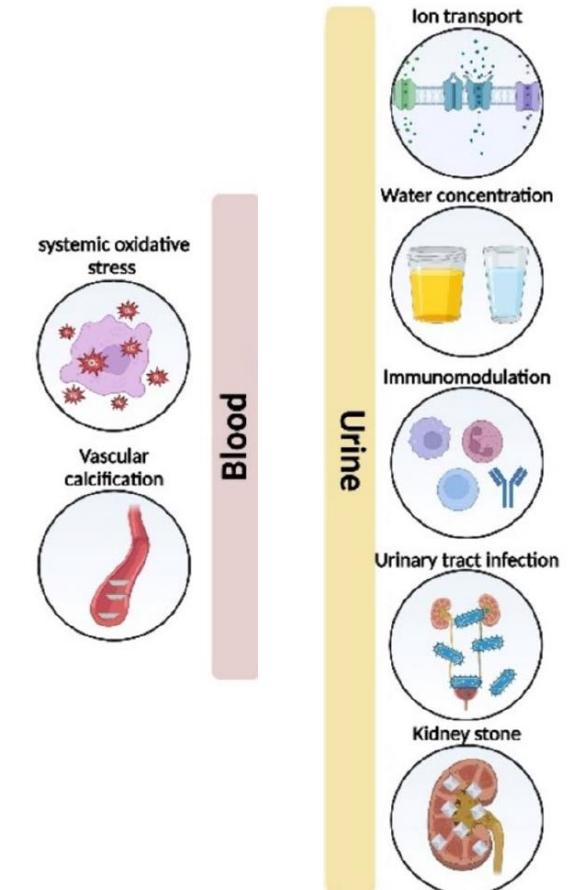
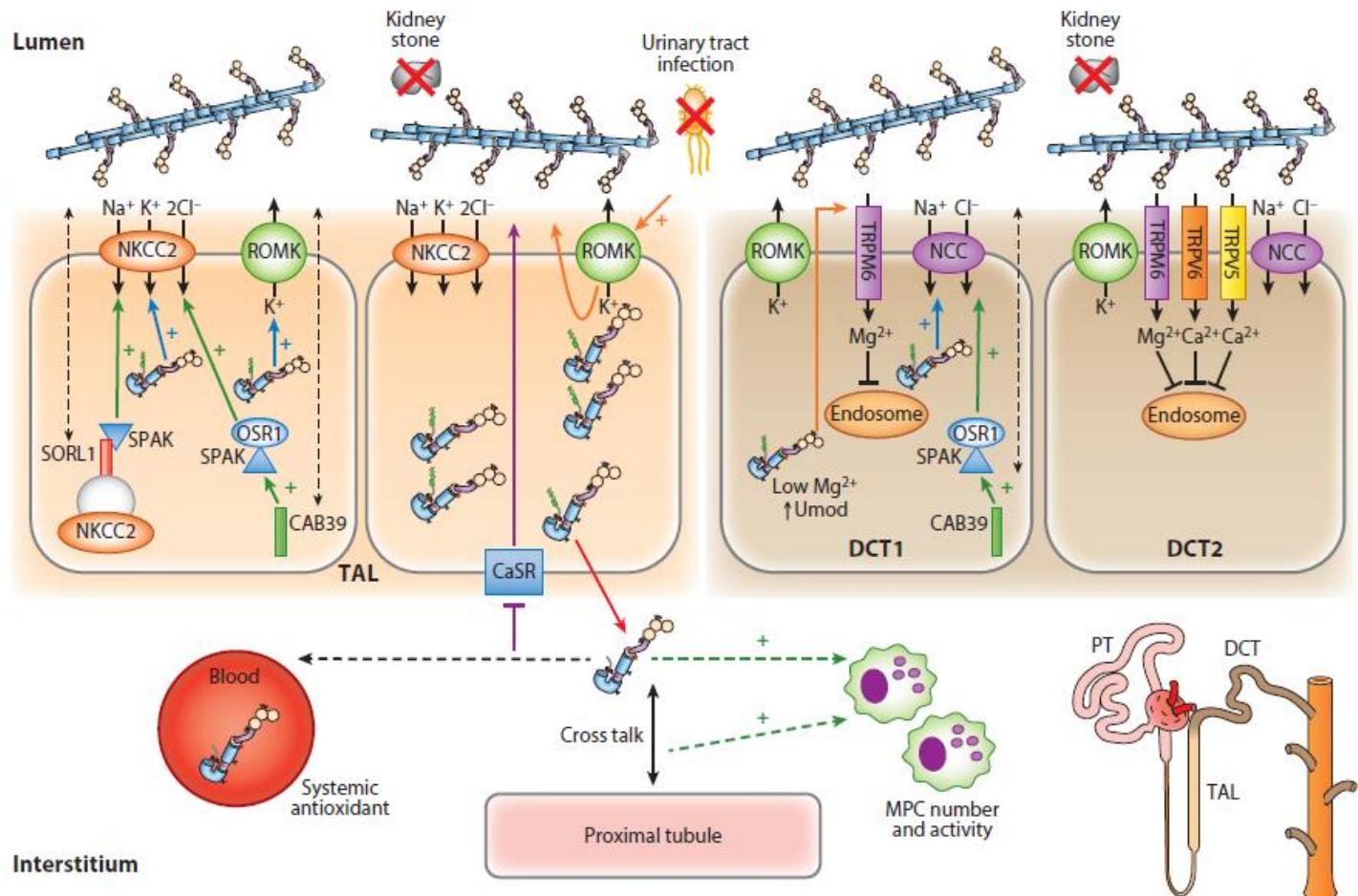
SEC61A1 (*609213; 3q21.3)	ADTKD-SEC61A1	$\alpha 1$ subunit of SEC61	Ubiquitous	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Component of SEC61 channel forming translocon complex that mediates transport of signal peptide-containing precursor polypeptides across the ER
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Landscape of *UMOD* Mutations in ADTKD



→ >130 mutations, 95% cluster in exons 3 and 4
 → 96% missense mutations, 4 in-frame deletions
 → Cysteine residues (~60%)

What does uromodulin do?

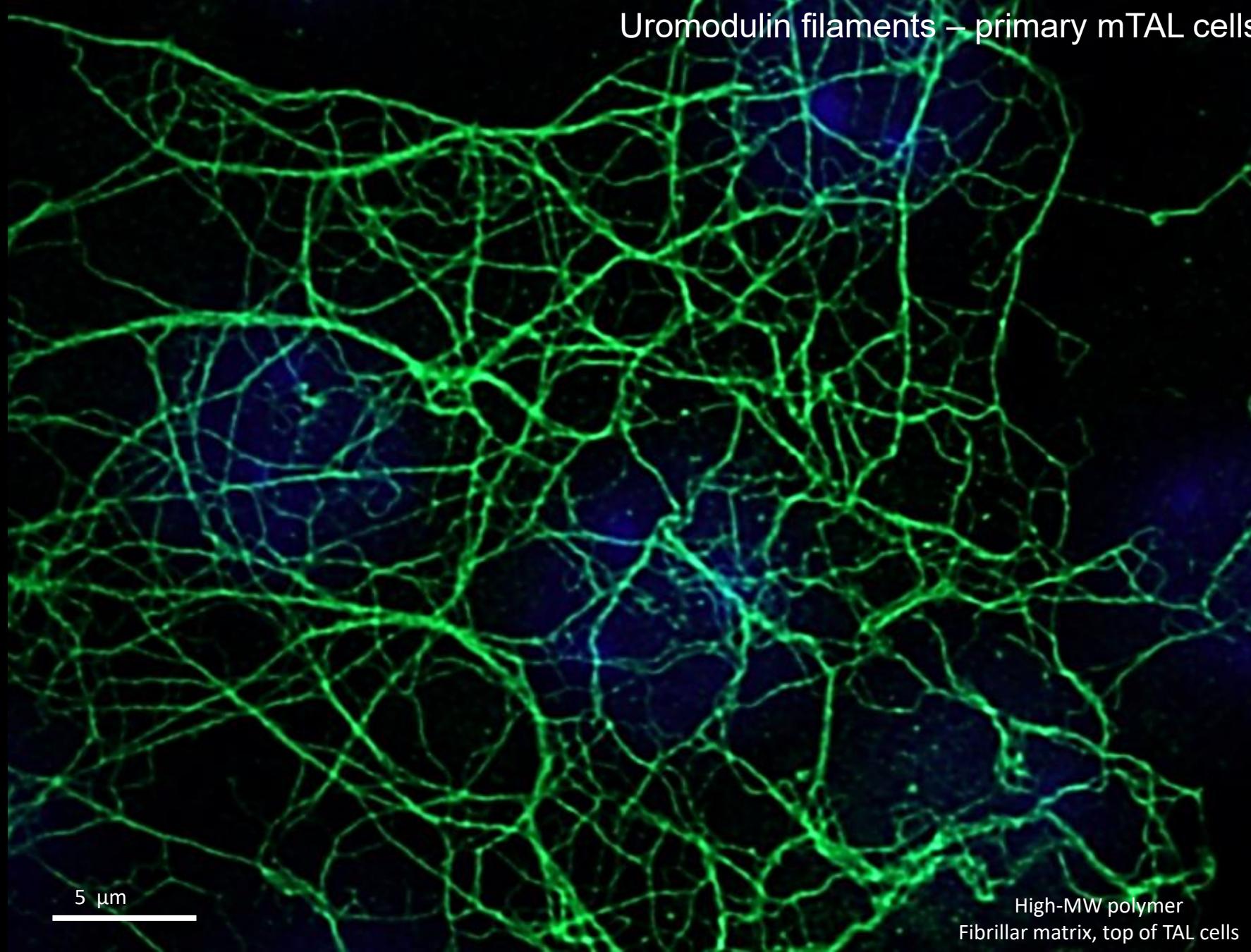


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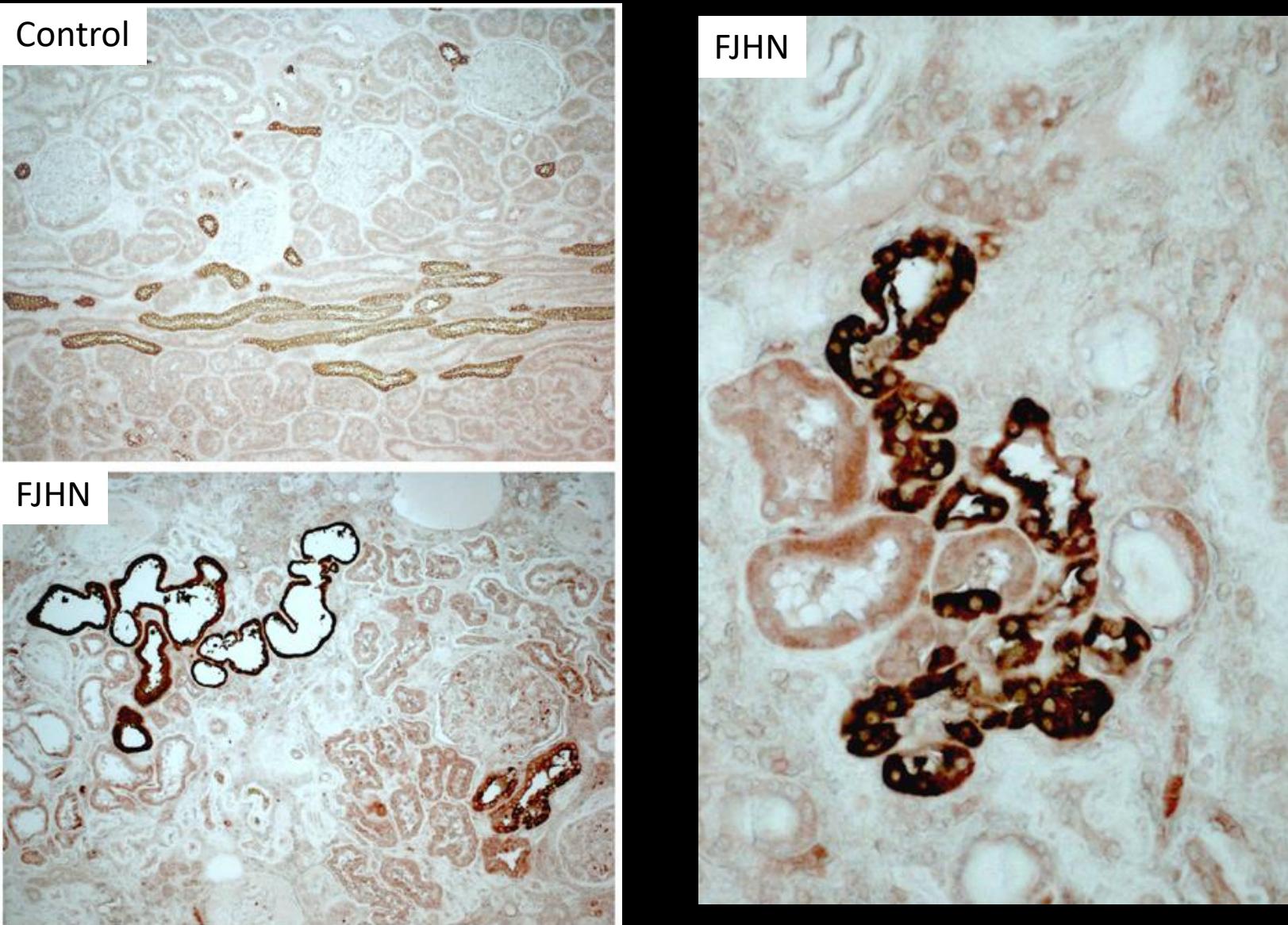
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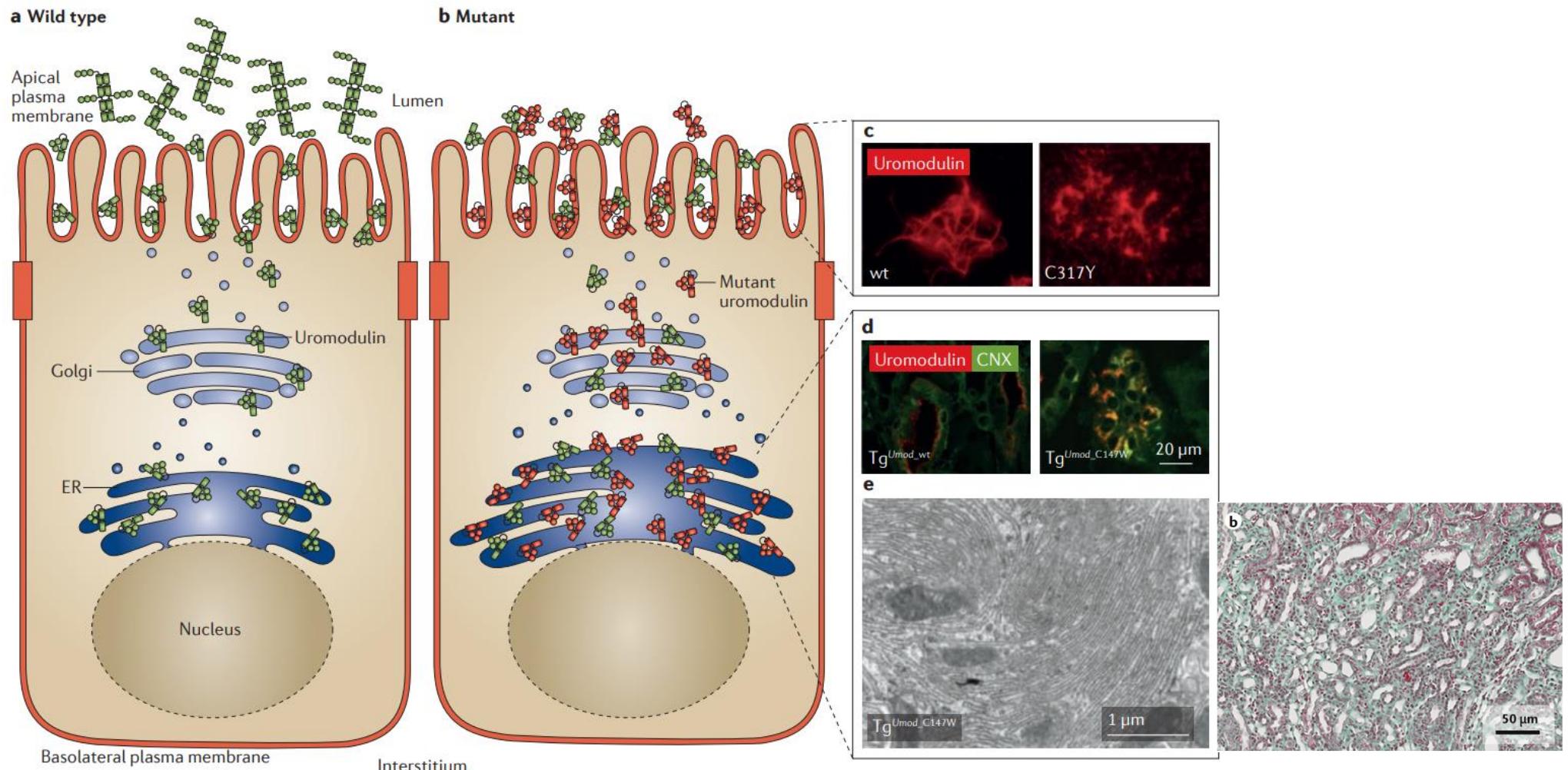
Uromodulin filaments – primary mTAL cells



Accumulation of Mutant Uromodulin in Kidney Tubules: Storage Disease

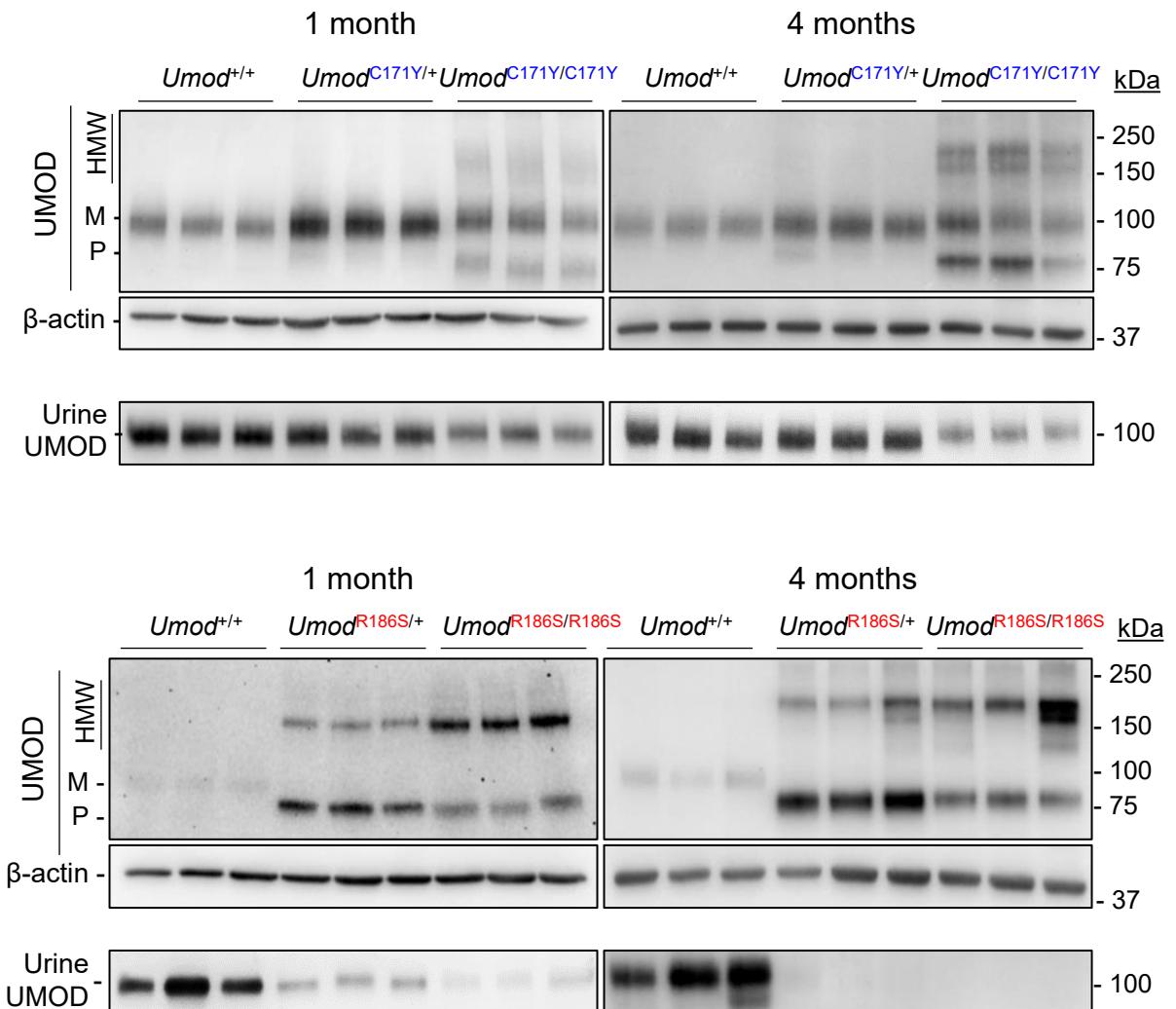
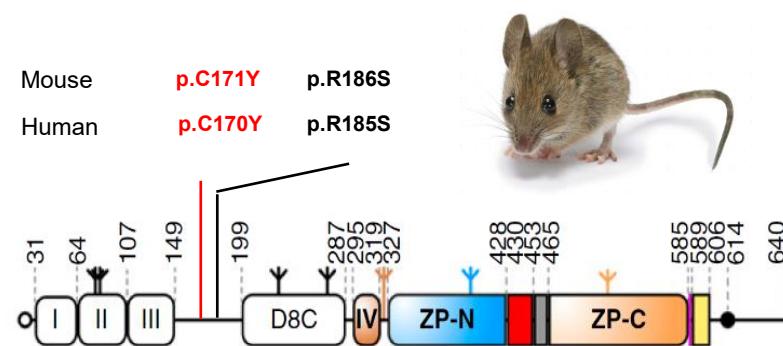
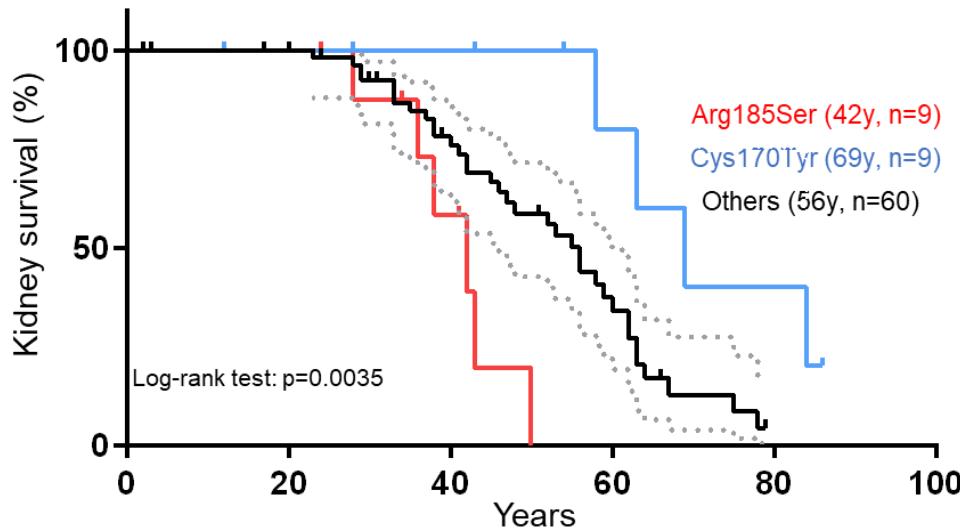


Pathophysiology of ADTKD-UMOD



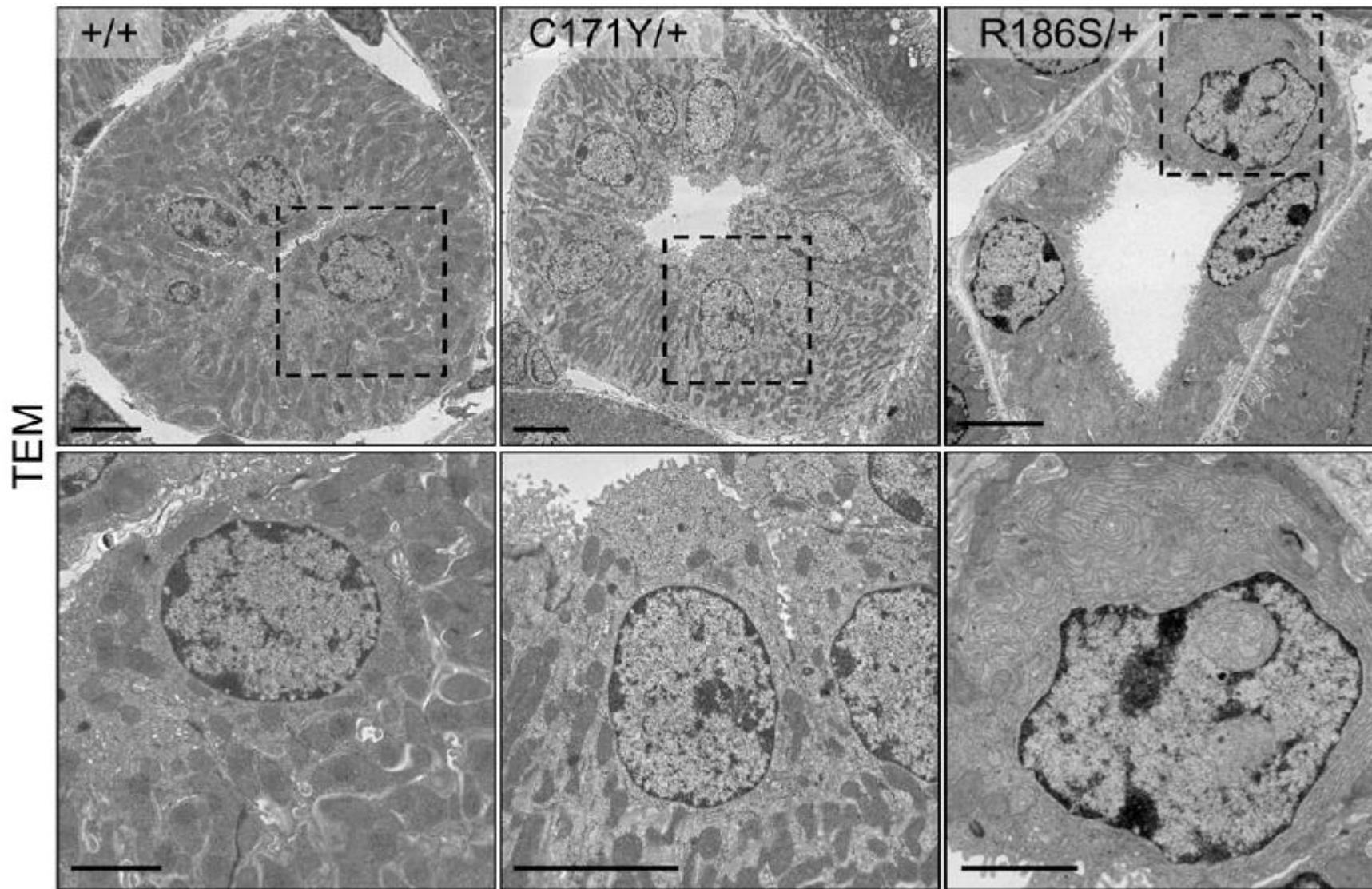
- Mutant uromodulin is misfolded and accumulates in the ER – ER stress and UPR pathways
- Dominant, gain of toxic function mechanism

ADTKD-UMOD: Allelic and Gene Dosage Effects

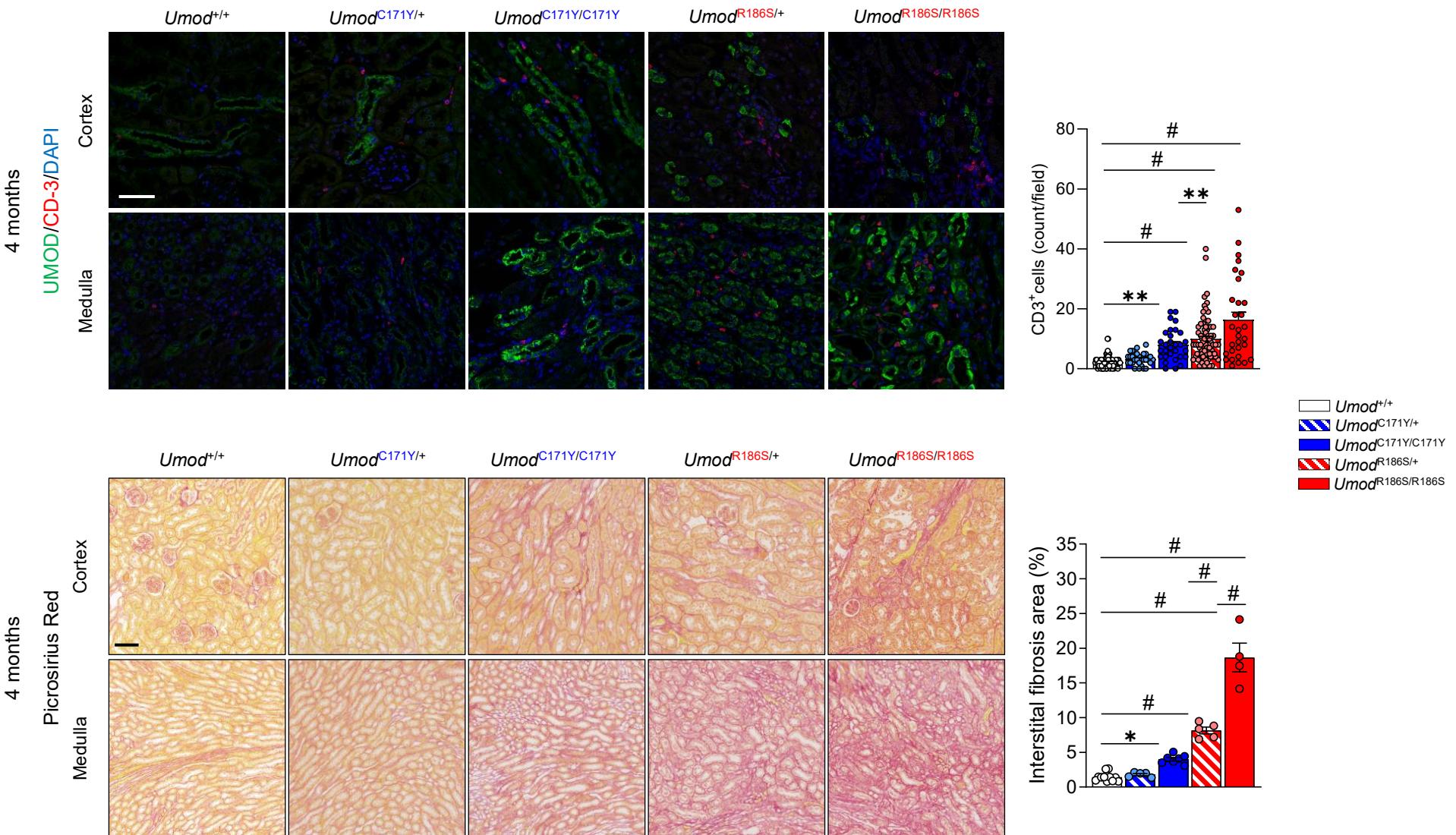


- *Umod* KI mice show an age-dependent increase of uromodulin in the kidney and reduced levels in the urine
- Each model: defective maturation - precursor and high MW aggregates isoforms

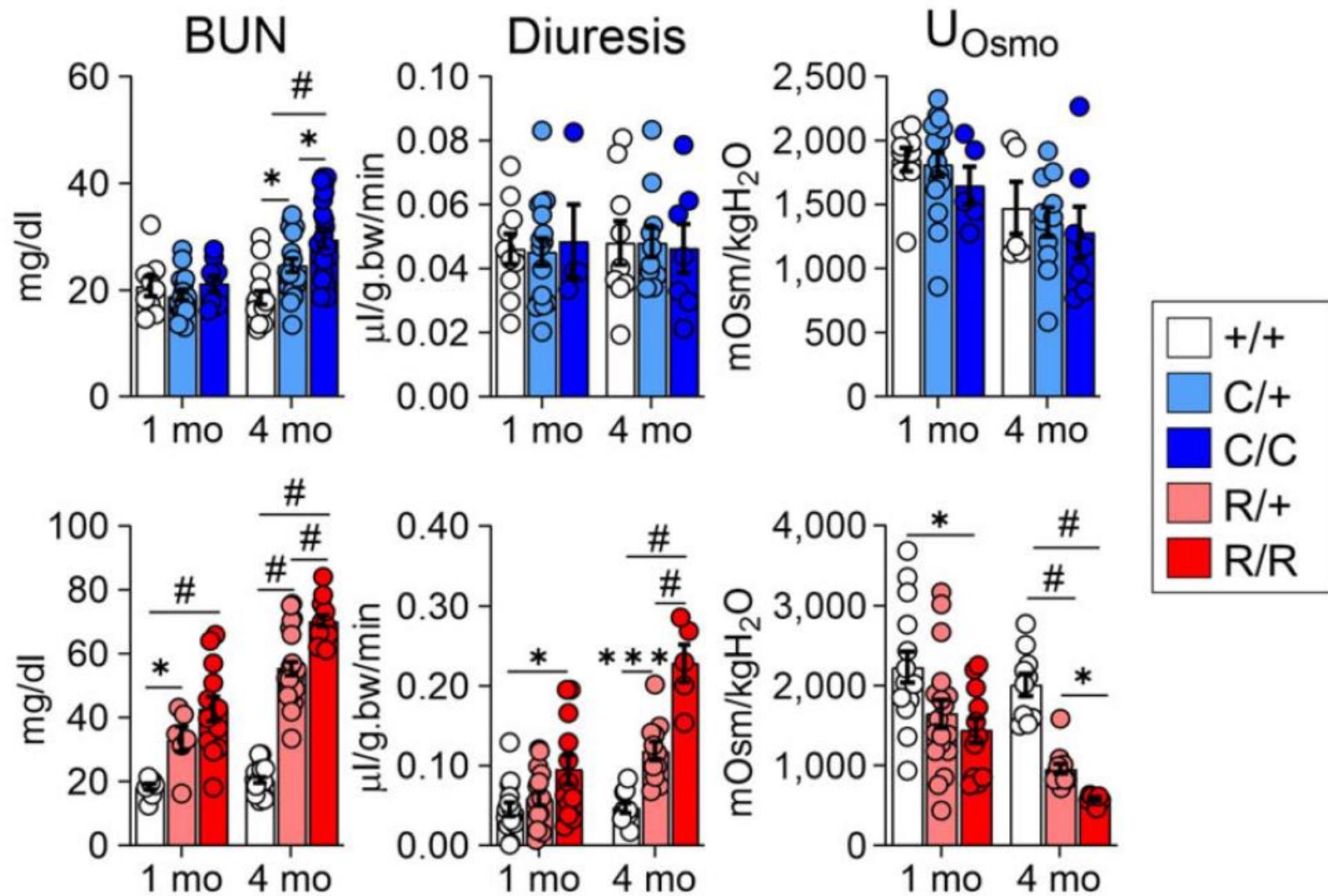
ER Expansion in Kidneys from *Umod* KI Mice



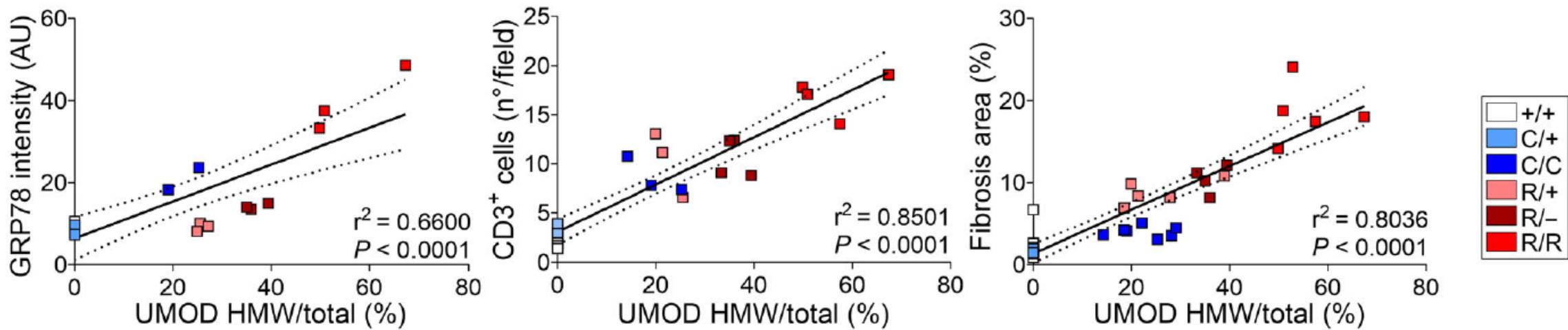
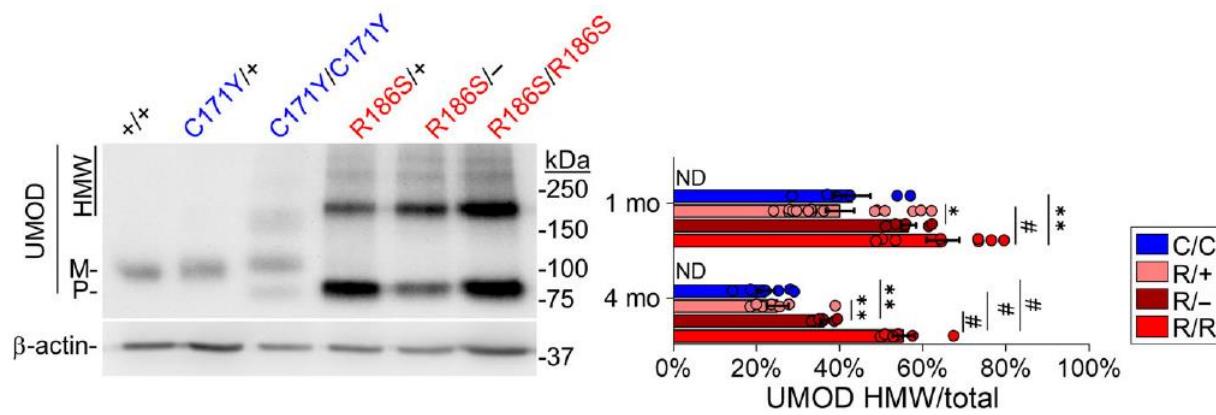
Inflammation and Fibrosis in Kidneys from *Umod* KI Mice



Allelic and Gene Dosage Effects on Kidney Function Parameters

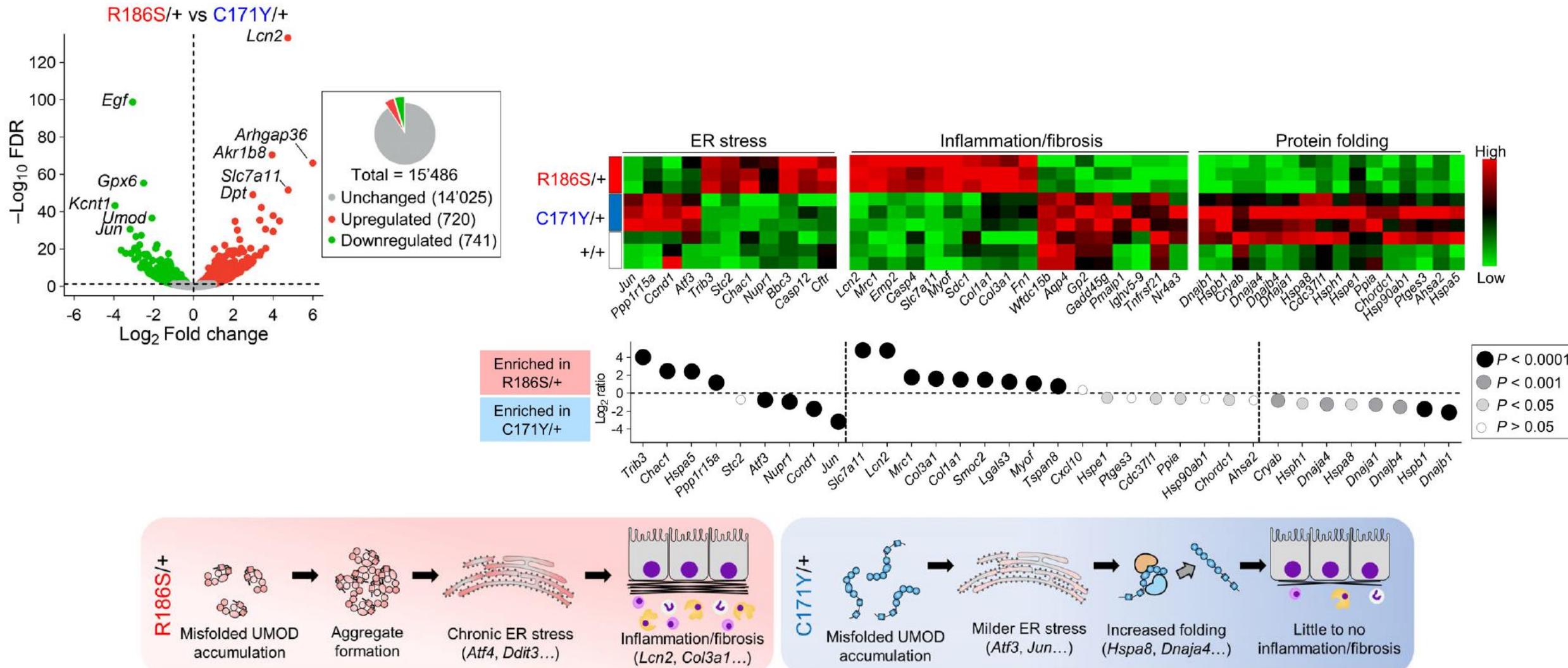


Uromodulin Aggregates Drive ADTKD-UMOD Progression



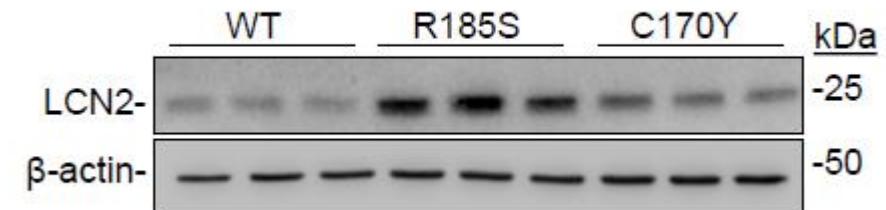
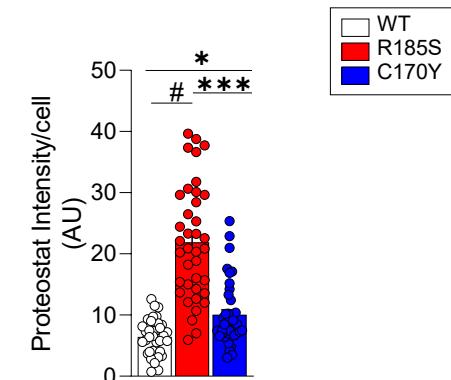
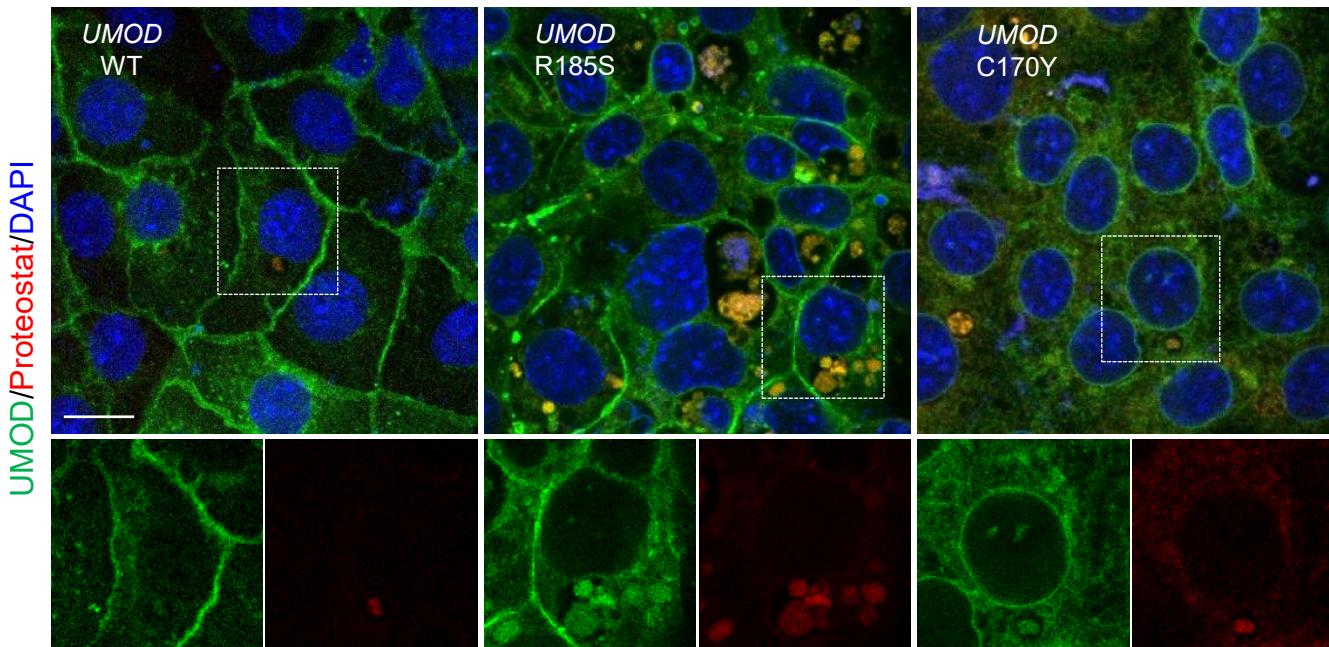
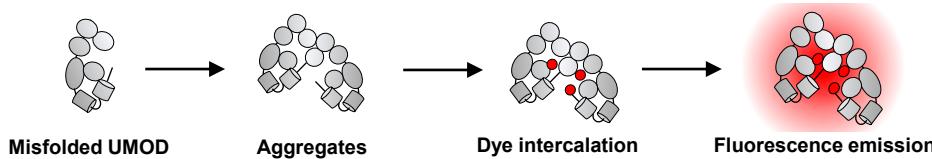
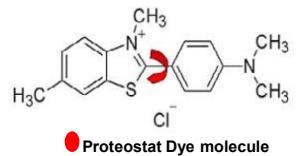
➤ *ER stress, inflammation and fibrosis correlate with the levels of uromodulin aggregates*

Distinct Pathways activated in *Umod* KI Kidneys



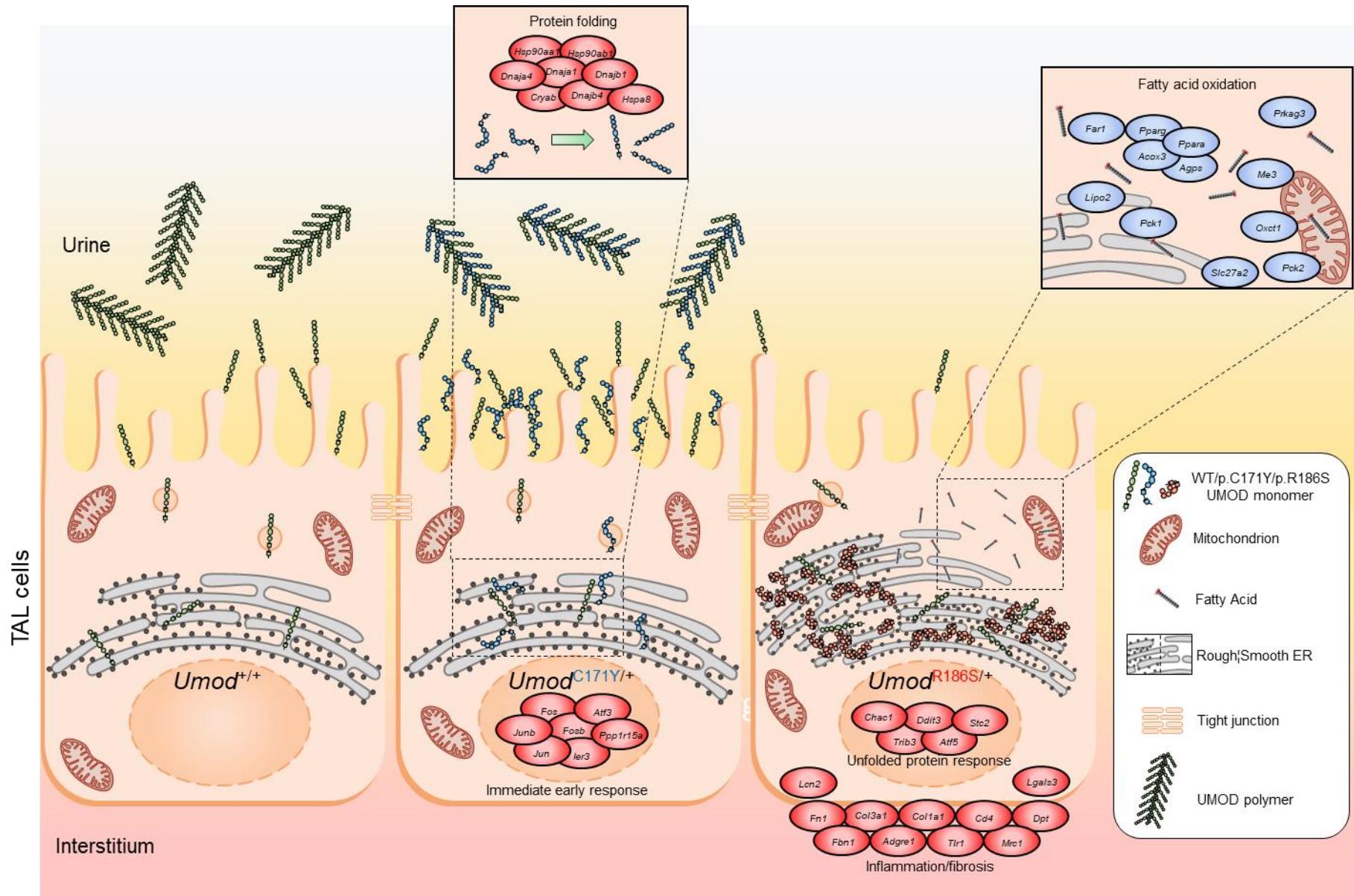
- ❖ *Umod*^{R186S/+} kidneys: upregulation of chronic ER stress, inflammation and fibrosis
- ❖ *Umod*^{C171Y/+} kidneys: milder ER stress response, induction of protein folding genes

Uromodulin Aggregates and ER Stress in mIMCD Cells



- Mutant uromodulin is detected in Proteostat⁺ structures
- A stronger Proteostat signal is observed in *UMOD* R185S compared to the other cell lines

Mechanisms of Disease and Allelic Effects in ADTKD-UMOD

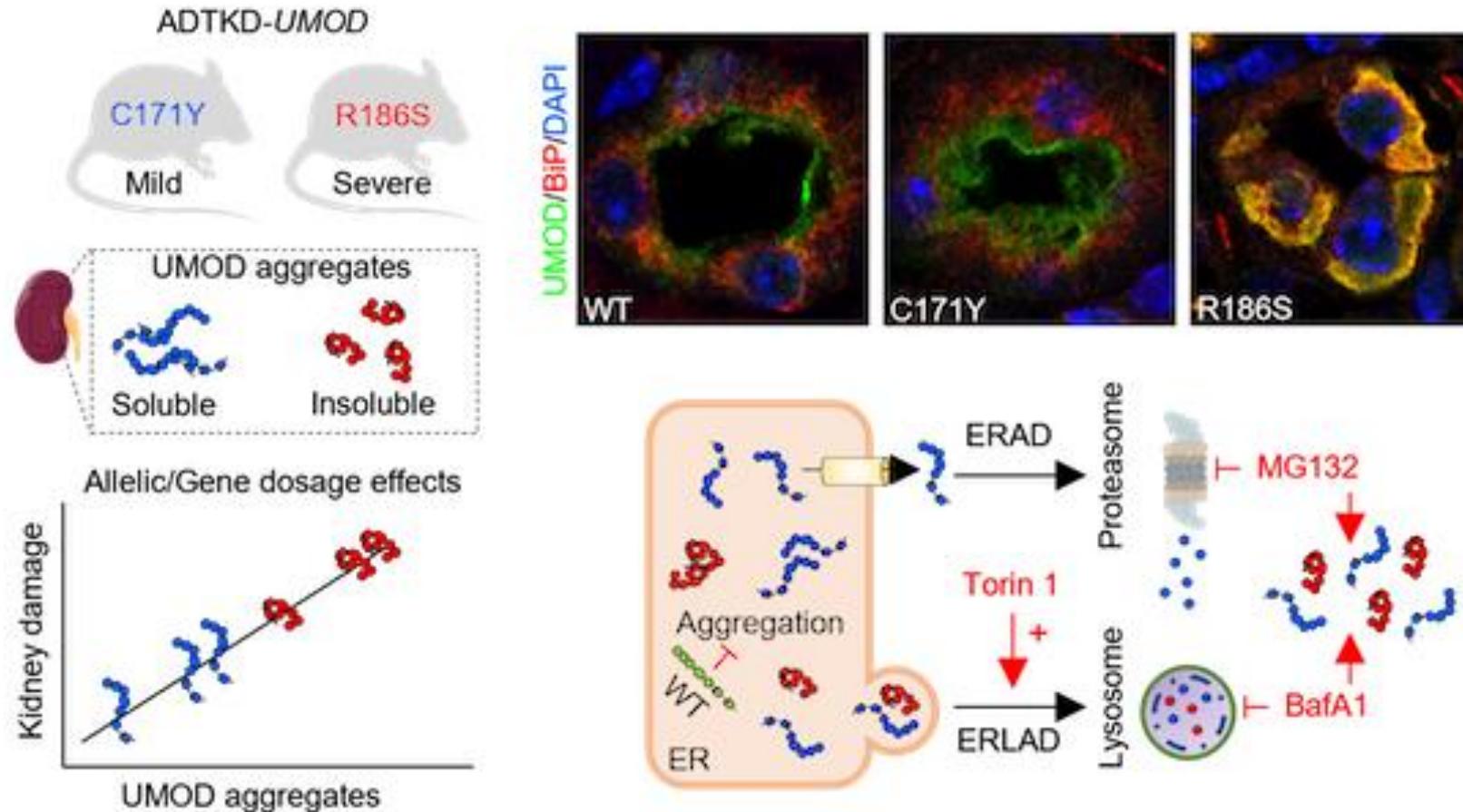


Proteinopathies: Not Restricted to Neurodegenerative Diseases

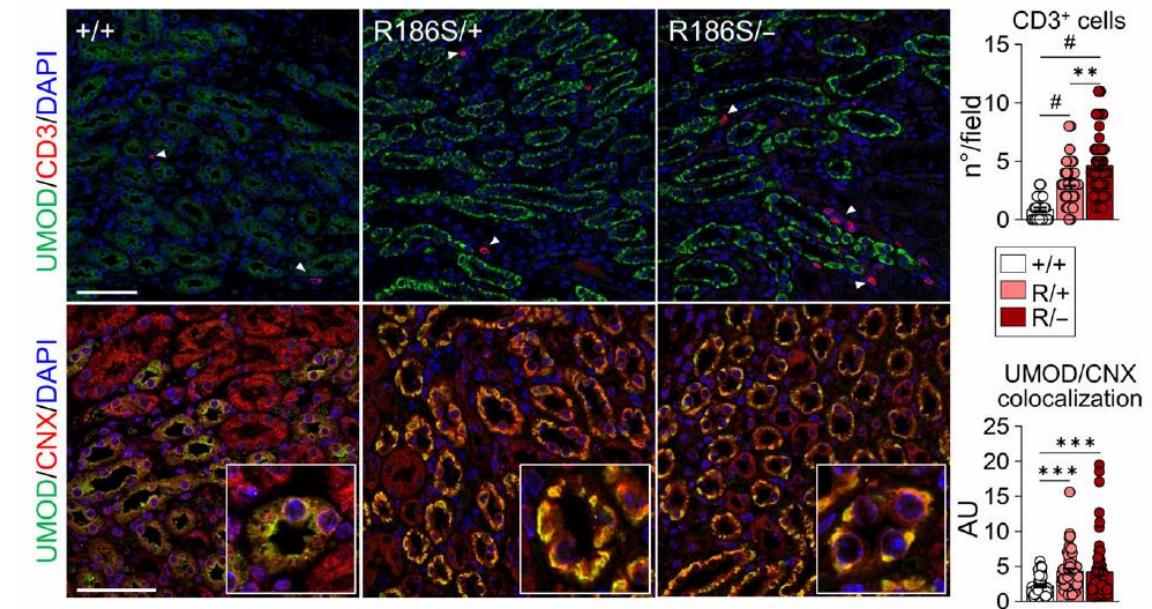
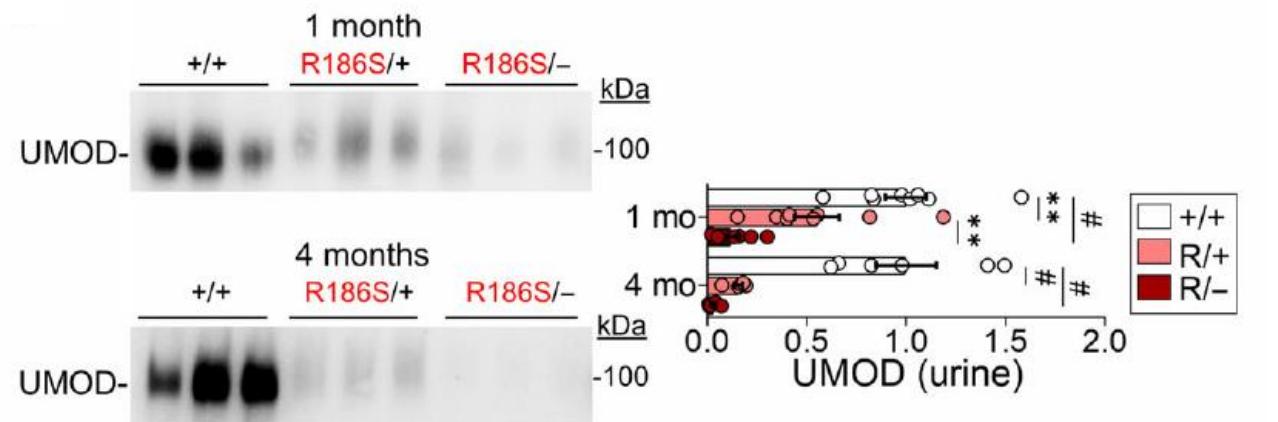
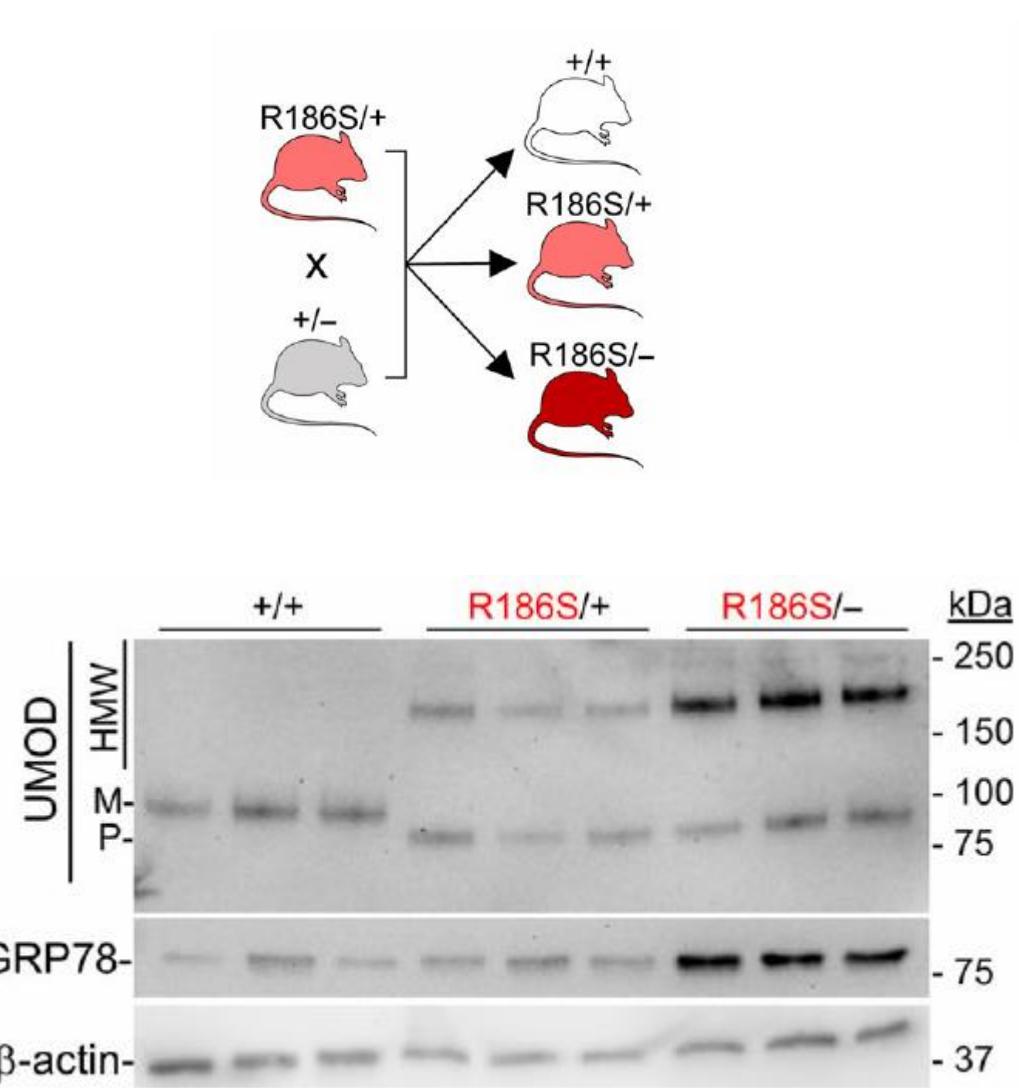
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Deletion of Wild-type Uromodulin Increases Mutant Uromodulin Aggregation



Studies on Huntington disease (HD), also characterized by a toxic gain of function, reported a similar protective role of wild-type huntingtin (Htt) protein in the disease: the absence of wild-type protein in HD mutant mouse and Drosophila models of Htt toxicity leads to a more severe phenotype (Van Raamsdonk et al, 2005; Zhang et al, 2009). The protective role of the wild-type allele may be to facilitate the trafficking of mutant protein to the plasma membrane or, alternatively, to balance the propensity of mutant uromodulin to form aggregates.

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Neurobiology of Disease

Cognitive Dysfunction Precedes Neuropathology and Motor Abnormalities in the YAC128 Mouse Model of Huntington's Disease

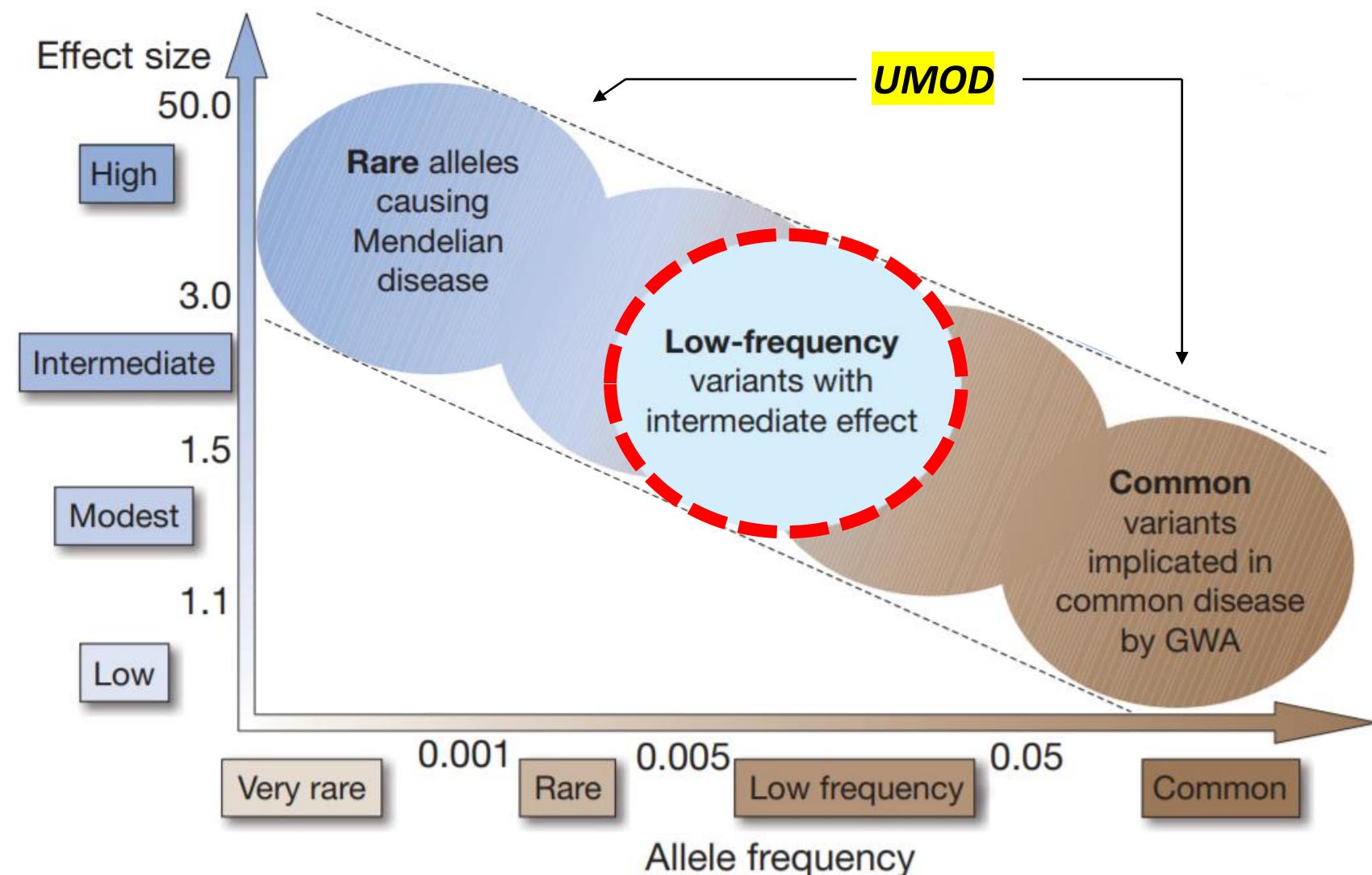
Huntington's disease (HD) is an autosomal dominant, progressive neurodegenerative disorder caused by an abnormal expansion of a polyglutamine (polyQ) tract at the N-terminus of a large cytoplasmic protein, huntingtin (Htt). The polyQ tract contains between 6 and 35 repeats in the wild-type Htt protein, whereas it is expanded to beyond 36 repeats in HD. Numerous studies have demonstrated that mutant Htt containing an expanded polyQ tract is toxic to neurons

Disease Models & Mechanisms 2, 247-266 (2009) doi:10.1242/dmm.000653

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The Spectrum of *UMOD*-associated Kidney Diseases

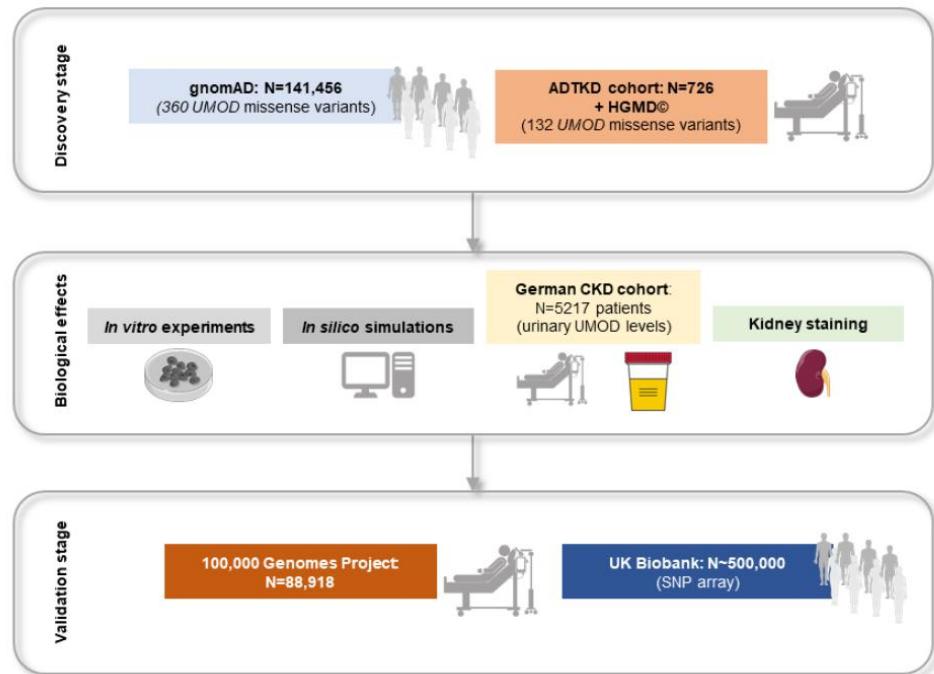
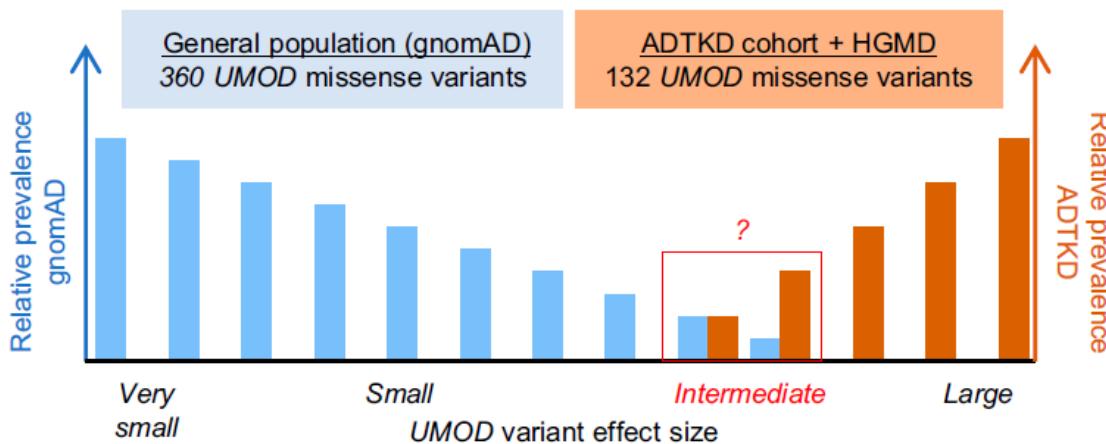


An intermediate-effect size variant in *UMOD* confers risk for chronic kidney disease

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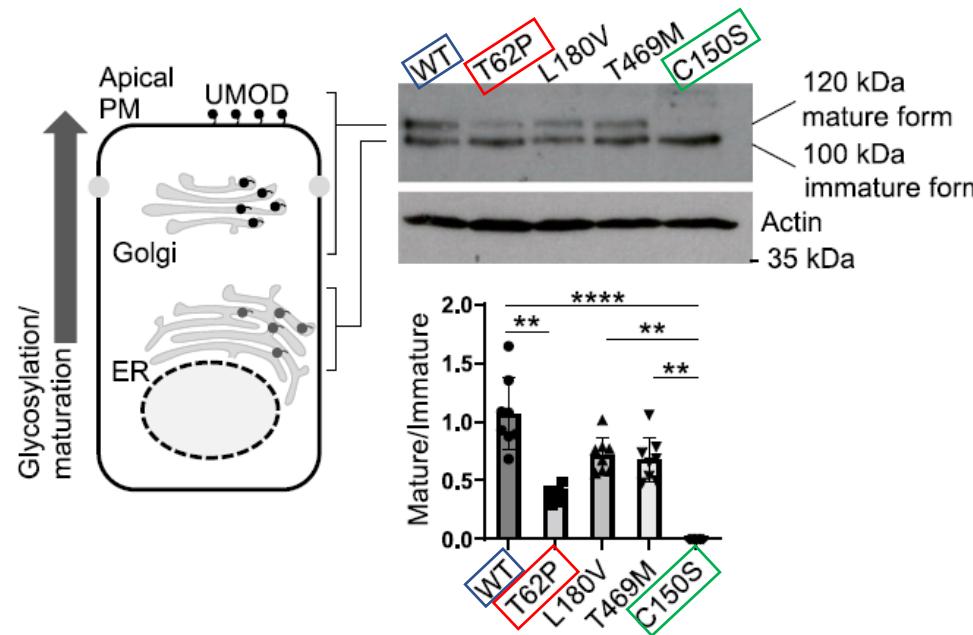
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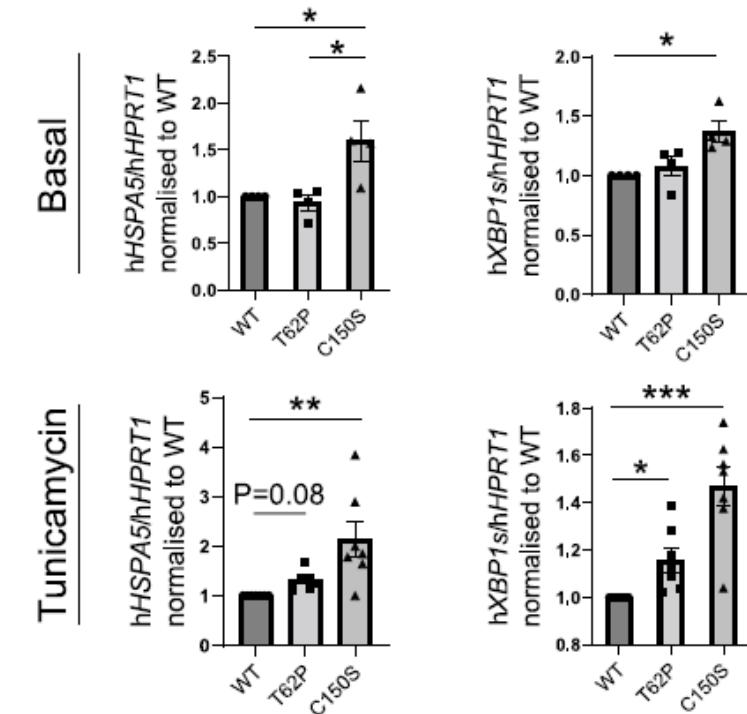


UMOD p.Thr62Pro confers 4-fold higher risk for kidney failure in UK Biobank

UMOD p.Thr62Pro Shows an Intermediate Trafficking Defect & ER Stress



Western blot analysis of UMOD expression in HEK293 cells 6 h after transfection of the indicated UMOD isoforms. The graph represents the ratio of Golgi glycosylated form (mature) to ER glycosylated form (immature).



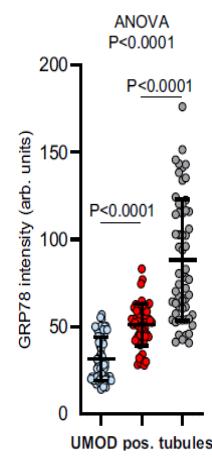
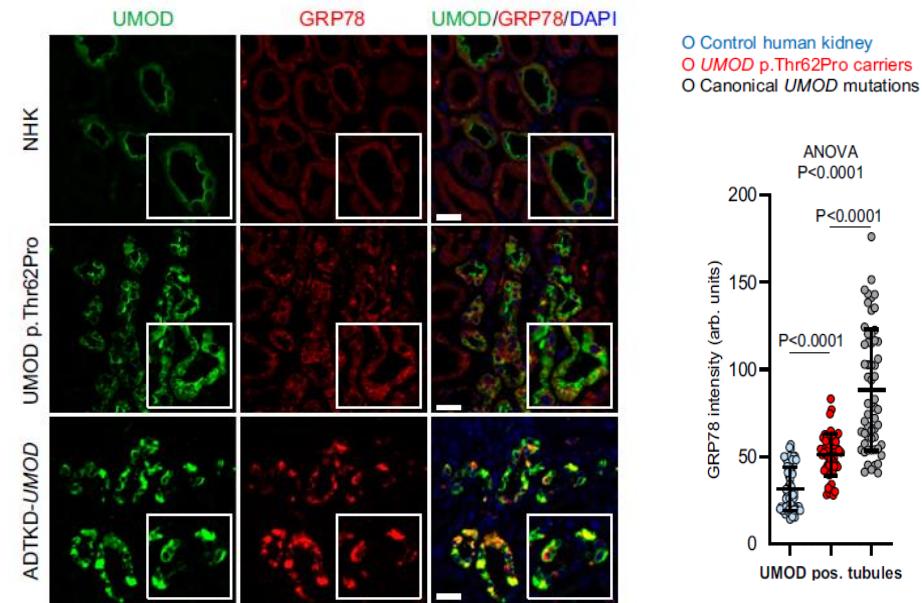
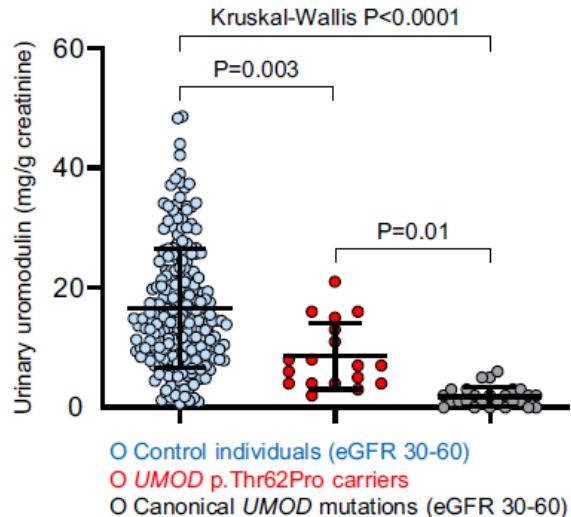
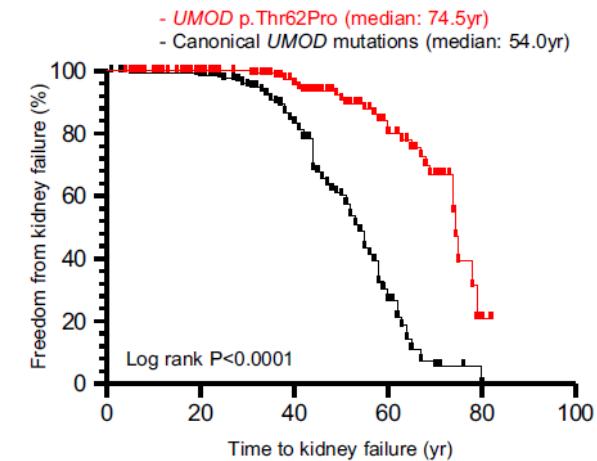
GRP78 (HSPA5) and spliced XBP1 (XBP1s) expression in HEK293 cells expressing indicated UMOD isoforms in the basal condition (Upper) or after 12 h with a low dose of tunicamycin.

UMOD variant p.Thr62Pro shows an intermediate defect in processing from the ER to Golgi, and intermediate ER stress vs. wild type and a typical ADTKD mutant – under mild stress conditions (Tunicamycin).

Milder Phenotype in *UMOD* p.Thr62Pro Carriers with Kidney Disease

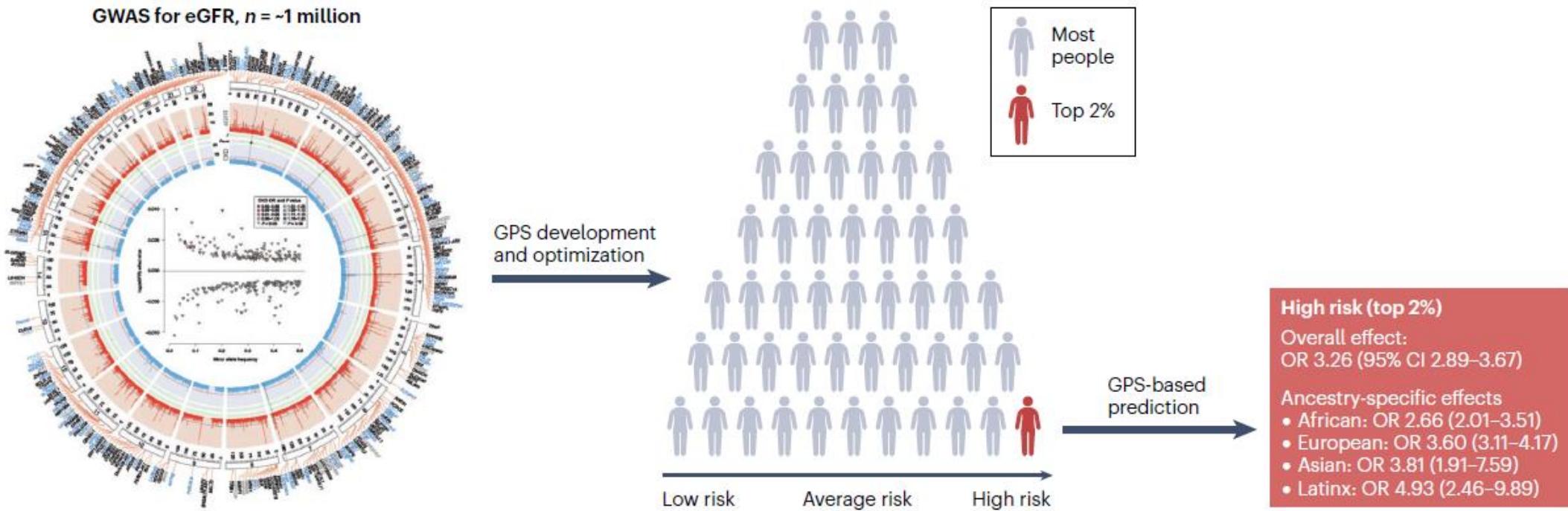
T62P variant:

- In 20 families with ADTKD – no other genetic cause
- Incomplete penetrance/segregation
- MAF 4% in ADTKD (>100x in gnomAD)
- 157 carriers in CKD cohorts vs. 225 (canonical *UMOD* mutations)
- **Intermediate disease progression – trafficking defect & ER stress**



Polygenic scores and their applications in kidney disease

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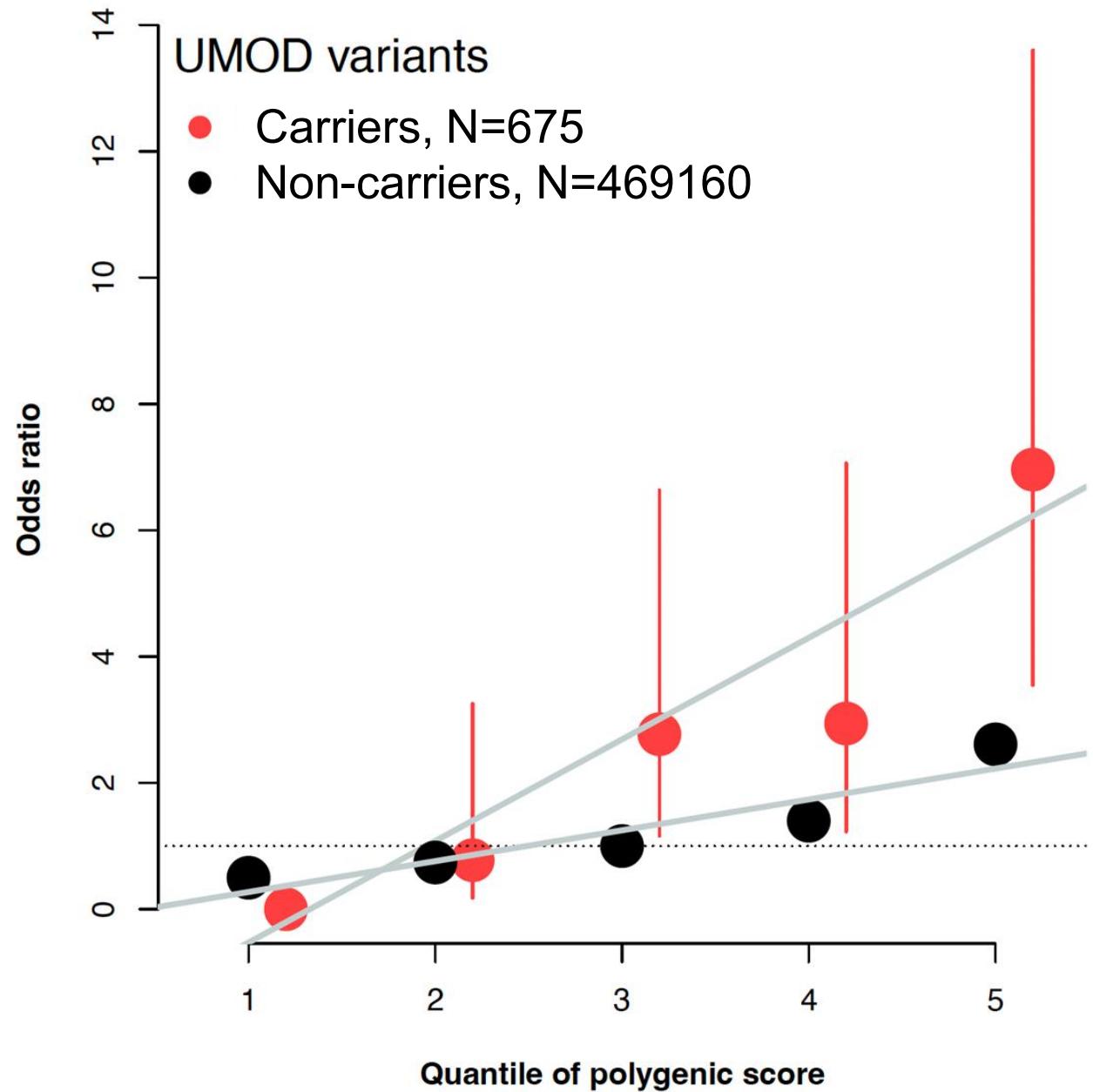


Effect of p.Thr62Pro *UMOD* variant carrier in UKBB and CKD Polygenic Risk Score

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