

# *PON1* polymorphisms and Wilms Tumor

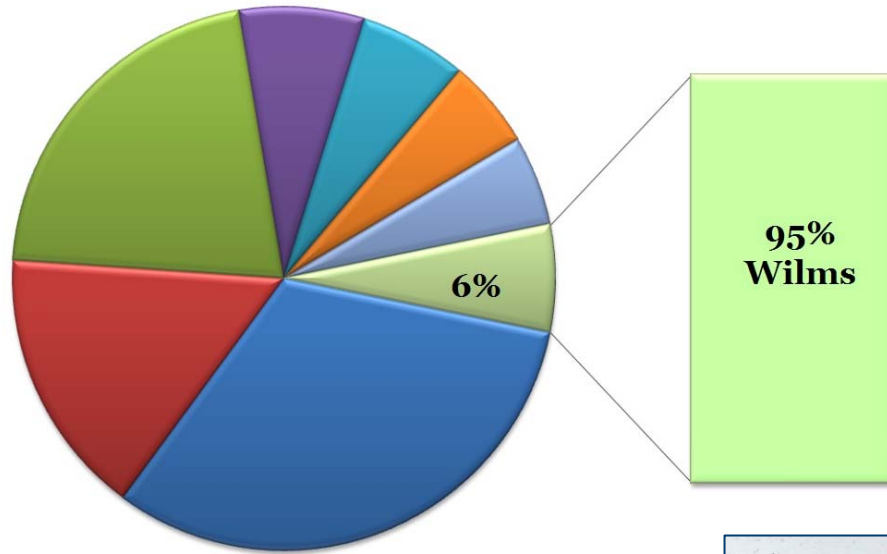
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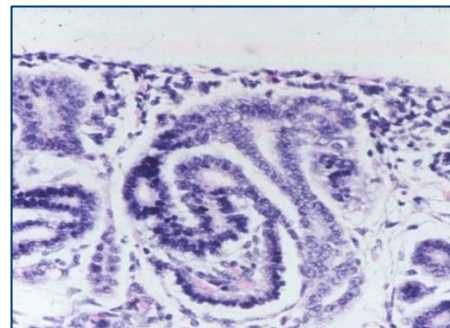
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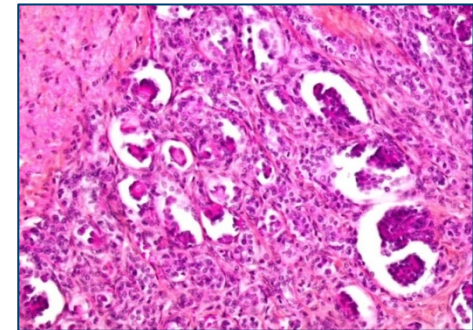
# Wilms tumor



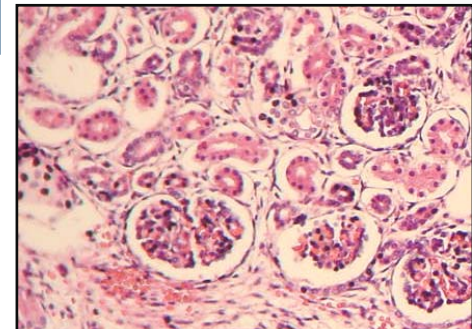
- Leukemias
- Neuroblastoma
- Soft tissues
- Linfomas
- Other
- Kidney
- CNS
- Bones



Fetal kidney  
18 weeks



Wilms tumor



Mature kidney

## EXPOSITION TO ENVIRONMENTAL RISK FACTORS



Father

Mother



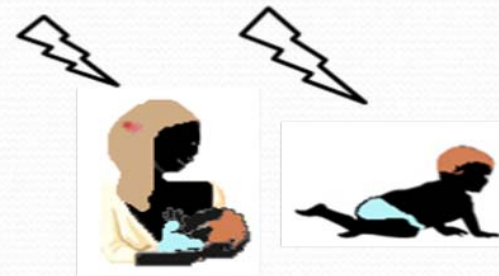
**Pre-conceptual**



Mother/Child



**During Pregnancy**



Mother

Child



**Post-natal**

# Pesticides and Wilms Tumor

- Previous studies have shown an association of pesticides exposures and Wilms Tumor risk.

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## **Childhood cancer and paternal employment in agriculture: the role of pesticides**

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## **Wilms' tumor and exposures to residential and occupational hazardous chemicals**

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## **Household Pesticides and the Risk of Wilms Tumor**

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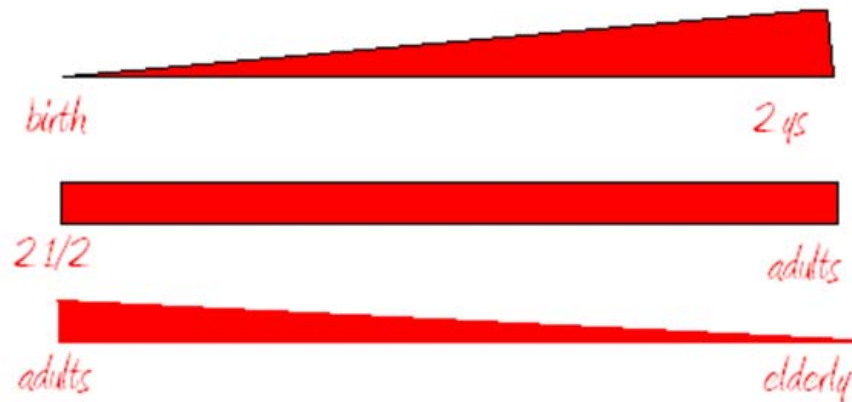
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## Parental Exposures to Pesticides and Risk of Wilms' Tumor in Brazil

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# Paraoxonase 1 (PON1)

- Hydrolyses active metabolites of organophosphorus pesticides.
- Levels of PON1 change according to age.

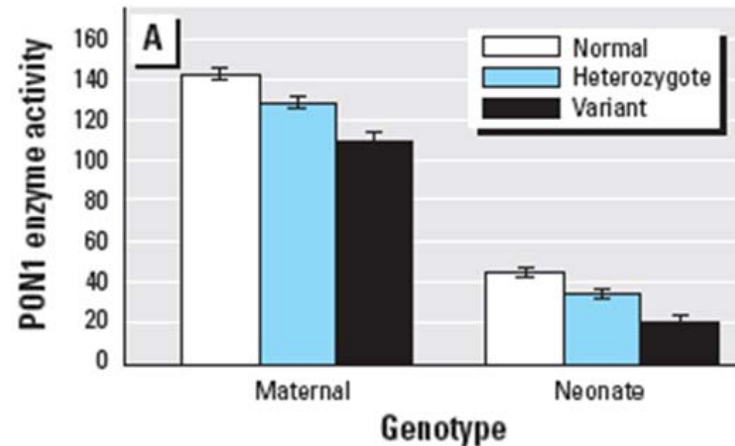


- And also due to polymorphisms.

# Polymorphisms in the gene *PON1*

*PON1* Q192R – change activity

*PON1*L55M – change enzyme levels



Children susceptibility to Wilms Tumor can be modified by *PON1*

genotypes:

# their own genotype

# and during pregnancy, in case of exposition, maternal genotype

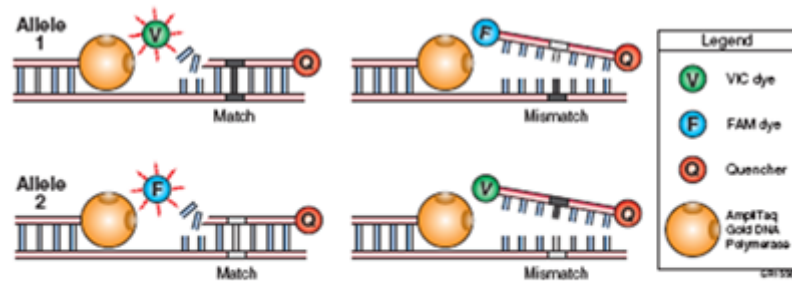
# Aims

- Identify the distribution of *PON1* (Q192R and L55M) polymorphisms and its relationship with Wilms tumor & embryonal neuroectodermal origin tumors development in Brazilian children.
- Identify the frequencies of *PON1* polymorphisms in mothers and the occurrence of embryonic tumors in their children.

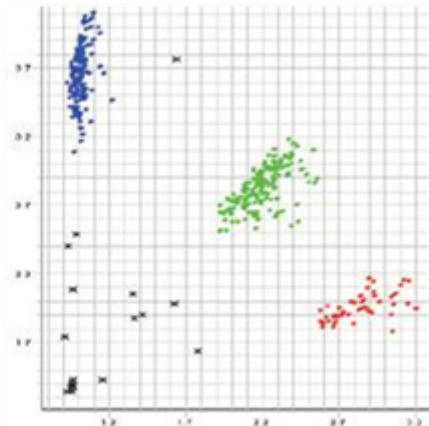


# Subjects and Methods

- Allelic discrimination (TaqMAN probes)



- 47 Brazilian children with WT and their mothers;
- 49 other embryonal tumors (retinoblastoma, neuroblastoma and medulloblastoma) and their mothers;
- 190 health children and 117 mothers



# Subjects and Methods

- Wilms Tumor patients: age ranged from 0 – 125 months.
- Other embryonal tumors: age range from 0 – 132 months.
- Children used as controls: age range from 0 – 60 months.
- There was no statistical difference according to gender in tumors nor even in controls.

# Results

**Table II:** Genotype distributions and polymorphisms susceptibility

		Wilms Tumor		Neuroectodermal Tumors	
Genotype		Child	Mothers	Child	Mothers
		OR (95%CI)	OR (95%CI)	OR (95%CI)	OR (95%CI)
<i>PONI Q192R</i>	QQ	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
	QR	<b>2.25 (0.98 - 5.14)</b>	1.58 (0.68 - 3.66)	1.61 (0.78 - 3.30)	1.04 (0.49 - 2.19)
	RR	1.83 (0.71 - 4.7)	1.64 (0.56 - 4.81)	1.47 (0.64 - 3.34)	2 (0.81 - 4.92)
<i>PONI L55M</i>	LL	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
	LM	1.72 (0.87 - 3.41)	1.45 (0.68 - 3.12)	0.91 (0.48 - 1.74)	0.69 (0.35 - 1.37)
	MM	1.12 (0.34 - 3.62)	2.28 (0.58 - 8.86)	0.33 (0.07 - 1.49)	0.43 (0.08 - 2.36)

- Mothers genotypes and children genotypes together:
- *PON1* Q192R – QQ/QQ; QQ/QR; QR/QQ; QR/QR; RR/QR; RR/RR
- *PON* L55M – LL/LL; LL/LM; LM/LL; LM/MM; MM/LM; MM/MM
- We observed no significant differences but N is too small.

# Final Remark

- Despite the small series of cases , our preliminary results suggest that *PON1* Q192R polymorphism may be an important risk factor in the development of WT when children are exposed to pesticides.

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