

Is Hyperammonemic Crisis in Inborn Errors of Metabolism an Ultra-Orphan Disease?

– A Literature Review

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Objective

Hyperammonemic Crisis (HAC) is a serious acute condition that may lead to coma or death in patients with Urea Cycle Disorders (UCD) or Organic Aciduria Disorders (OAD). This review provides an overview of the incidence of HAC in UCD and OAD, beyond individual disease prevalence.

Results

21 publications in UCD, and 12 publications in OAD identified. The prevalence of UCD in the US is 1:35'000 and ranged from 1:34'622 to 1:63'095 in Europe. HAC in OAD only occurred in Propionic Acidemia (PA), Methylmalonic Acidemia (MMA), and Isovaleric Acidemia (IVA) with prevalence of 1:242'741 (PA), 1:69'354 (MMA), and 1:159'150 (IVA) in the US, and ranging from 1:105'082 to 1:202'617 (PA), 1:105'082 to 1:159'199 (MMA), and 1:155'000 (IVA) in Europe, respectively. HAC in UCD only occurred up to the age of 18 years, with an incidence of 0.58/ patient/ year for untreated patients, and an incidence of 0.28/patient/year for chronically treated patients (with glycerol phenylbutyrate and sodium phenylbutyrate). HAC in OAD occurred only up to the age of 4 years, with an incidence of 1.05/patient/year in an in-patient setting. The annual incidence of HAC within UCD and OAD patients estimated approximately 1'898 per year in 2021

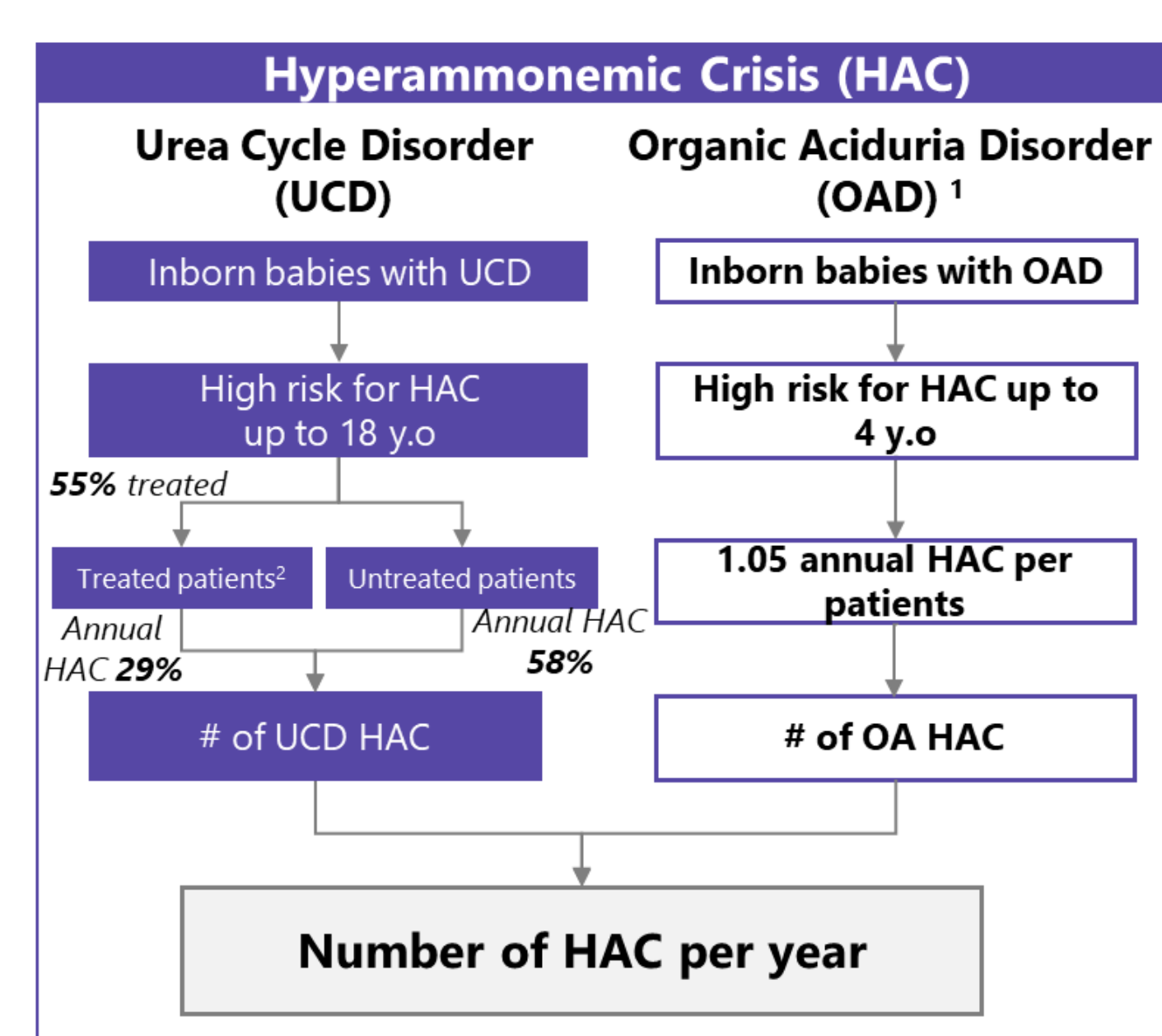
Introduction

Hyperammonemic Crisis (HAC) in Inborn Errors of Metabolism (IEM) occurs in Urea Cycle Disorder (UCD) and Organic Aciduria Disorders (OAD). The prevalence of UCDs and OAs in United States and in 5 European countries is expected to provide a good estimate of HAC in IEM.

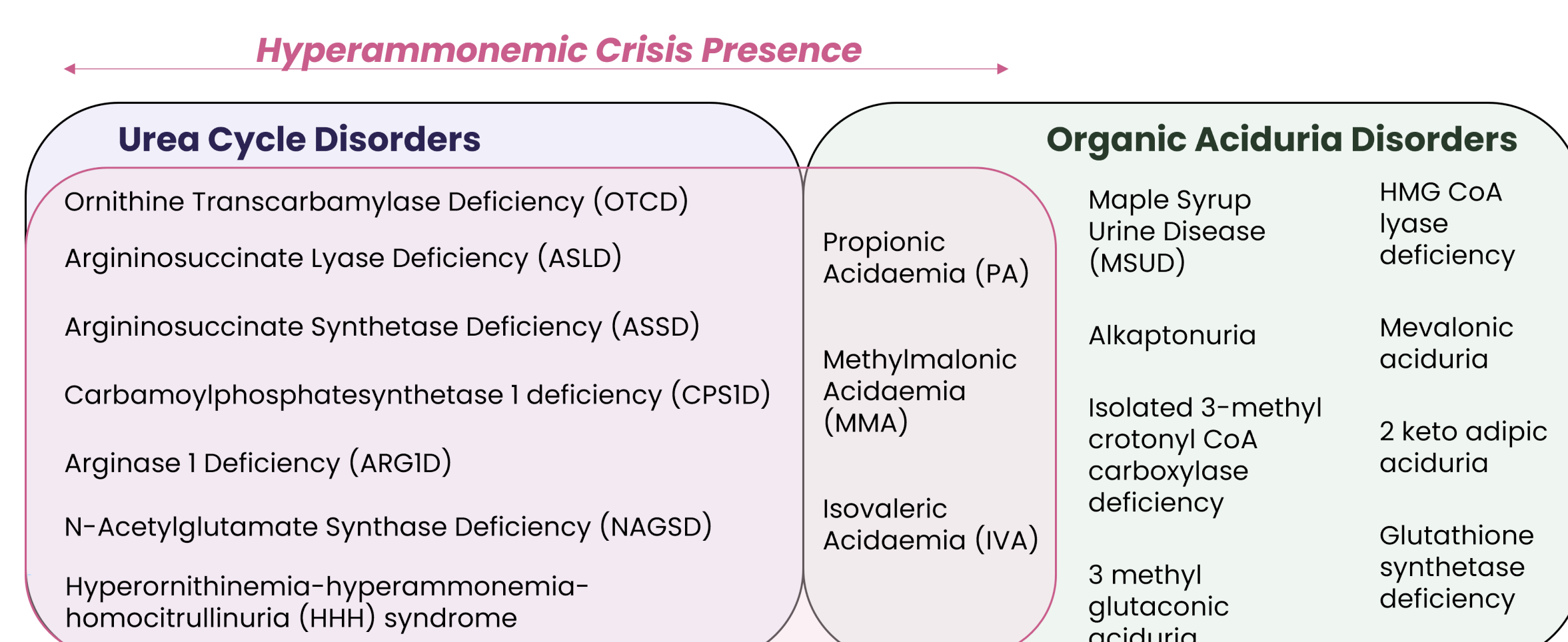
Methodology

A literature review conducted in Pubmed, Scopus, Embase, Medline, and GoogleScholar. Conference/research papers, medical/consortium guideline, information published by health technology assessment agencies, and manufacturer reports included. Only publications in English included. A mathematic multi-compartmental model used to calculate overall HAC in the US and 5 countries in Europe (UK, Germany, France, Italy, and Spain).

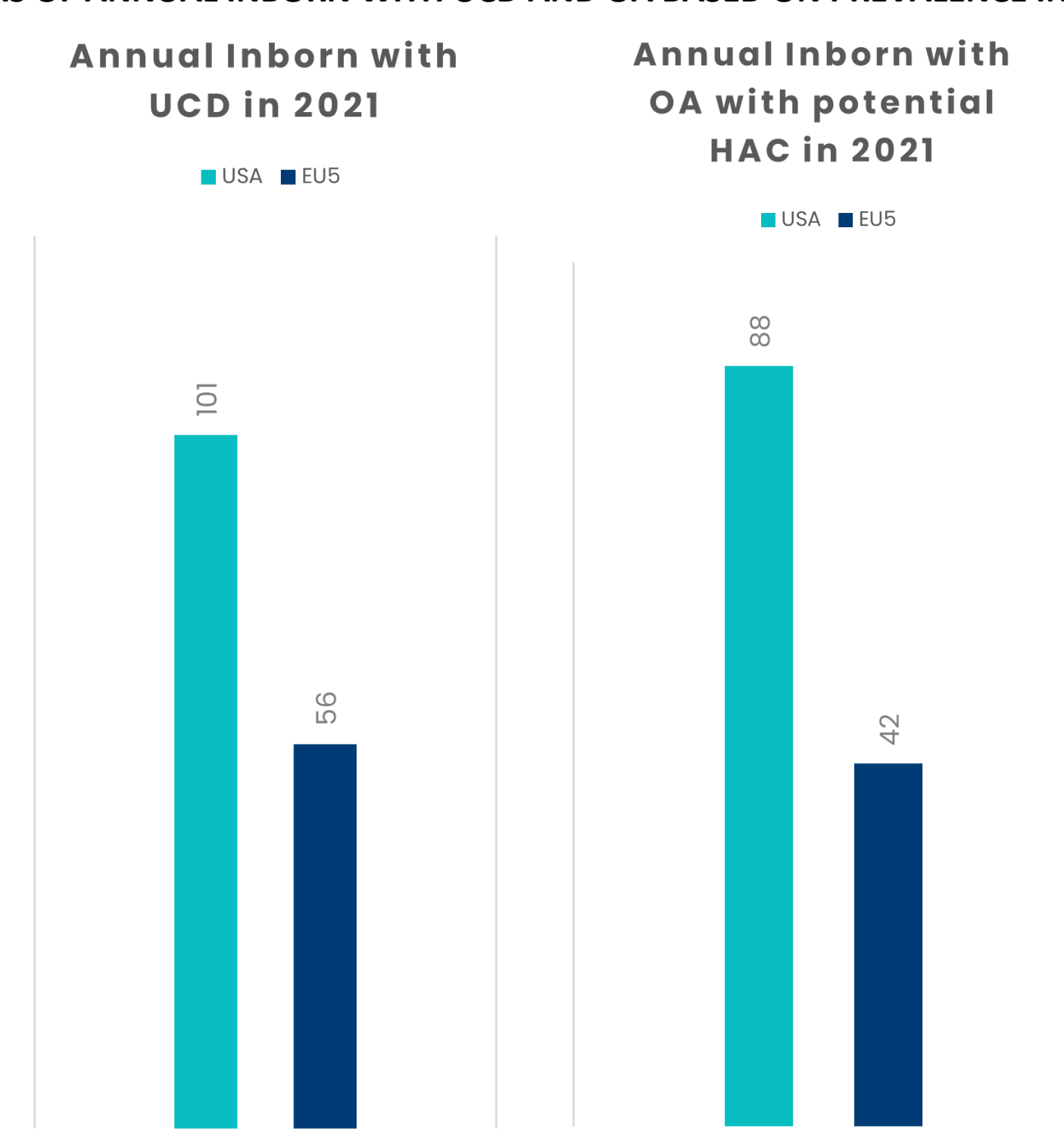
NUMBER OF HYPERAMMONEMIC CRISIS PER YEAR



1 OAD with HAC are only: Propionic Acidemia (PA), Methylmalonic Acidemia (MMA), Isovaleric Acidemia (IVA). Assessment in this deck only covers 3 OAD types mentioned.
2 Treated by Buphenyl and Ravicti



NUMBERS OF ANNUAL INBORN WITH UCD AND OA BASED ON PREVALENCE IN US AND EUS



Sources: Maillot et al. (2007), Batshaw et al. (2015), Nettesheim (2017), Martin-Hernandez (2014)

UREA CYCLE DISORDER (UCD)

Variable	Estimates	Sources
Annual UCD inborn babies	157	Summar et al. (2013), Martín-Hernández et al. (2014), Nettesheim et al. (2017)
Age range of HAC	0–18 y.o.	Batshaw et al. (2015)
Annual HAC occurrence	Treated: 28% ² Untreated: 58%	Batshaw et al. (2015)
Ravicti and Buphenyl share from total UCD patients	55%	Acer therapeutics SEC 8-K (2020)

ORGANIC ACIDURIA DISORDER (OAD)

Variable	Estimates	Sources
Annual OAD inborn babies ¹	130	Ozane et al. (2012), Habera et al. (2016), Chapman et al. (2016), Couce et al. (2011), Dionisi-Vici et al. (2002), Sanderson et al. (2006)
Age range of HAC	0–4 y.o.	Kiykim et al. (2021)
Annual HAC occurrence	105%	Walker et al. (2012)

All data used in this assessment is in 2021, reference publications are only longitudinal/real-world data used, epidemiology projections modelling references are excluded.

Ultra-orphan disease is defined as conditions occurring with a “prevalence of less than 1 in 50,000” (NICE, 2004)

Conclusion

To author’s knowledge, this study provides the first calculation on incidence of HAC in patients with UCD and OAD. Estimated 1'898 HAC (around 1:368'000) in 2021, thus classified as ultra-orphan disease (<1:50'000). This estimate can be used to calculate burden of diseases and economic reevaluation for acute HAC in Inborn Errors of Metabolism.

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