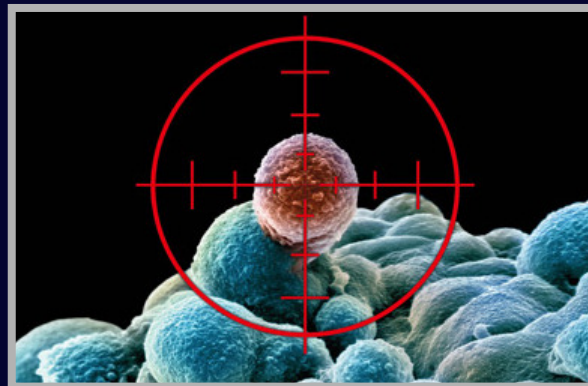


the evolutionary dynamics of hematopoiesis (in health & disease)

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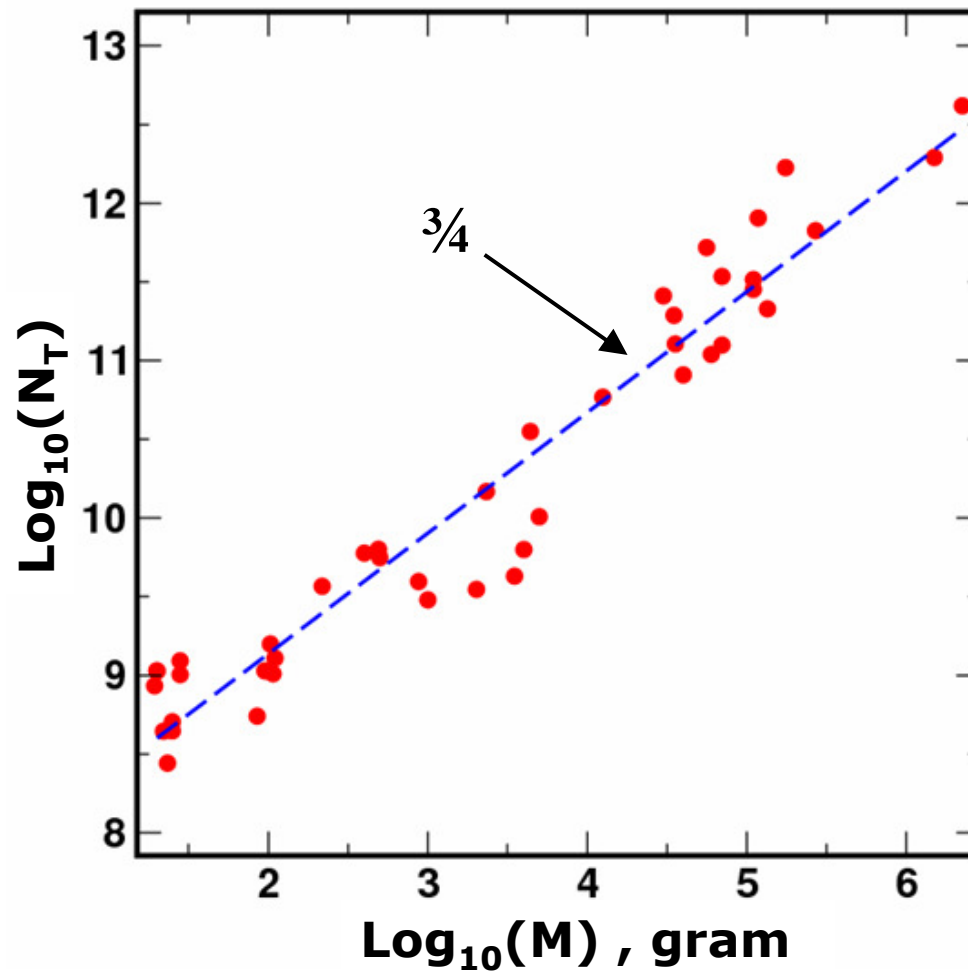


layout

tuesday – 11:15 – 12:30

- ❖ human ontogeny & hematopoiesis
- ❖ allometric scaling of metabolic rate during ontogeny
- ❖ energy allocation during ontogeny
- ❖ **HSC** scaling during ontogeny
- ❖ the mouse as a model of human hematopoiesis ?

a scaling model of HSCs



$$N_{SC} \sim M^{3/4}$$

a scaling model of HSCs

use experimental estimates for *cats* for calibration (fix N_0):
 under normal conditions, ≥ 40 ! (Abkowitz et al, Blood, 2002)

what	model predictions ×	experimental data
HSC in humans <i>cat = 40</i>	385	~400 (Buescher et al, J Clin Invest, 1985)
rate HSC division <i>cat post-TRX = 8 week⁻¹</i>	60 week⁻¹	~ 52-104 week⁻¹ (Rufer, et al, J Exp Med, 1999)
human post-transplant <i>cat = 13</i>	111	~ 116 (Nash et al, Blood, 1988)
mouse	1	1 (Abkowitz et al, PNAS , 1995)
rate macaques	23 week⁻¹	23 week⁻¹ (Shepherd et al, Blood , 2007)
rate baboons	36 week⁻¹	36 week⁻¹ (Shepherd et al, Blood , 2007)

HSC scaling during ontogeny

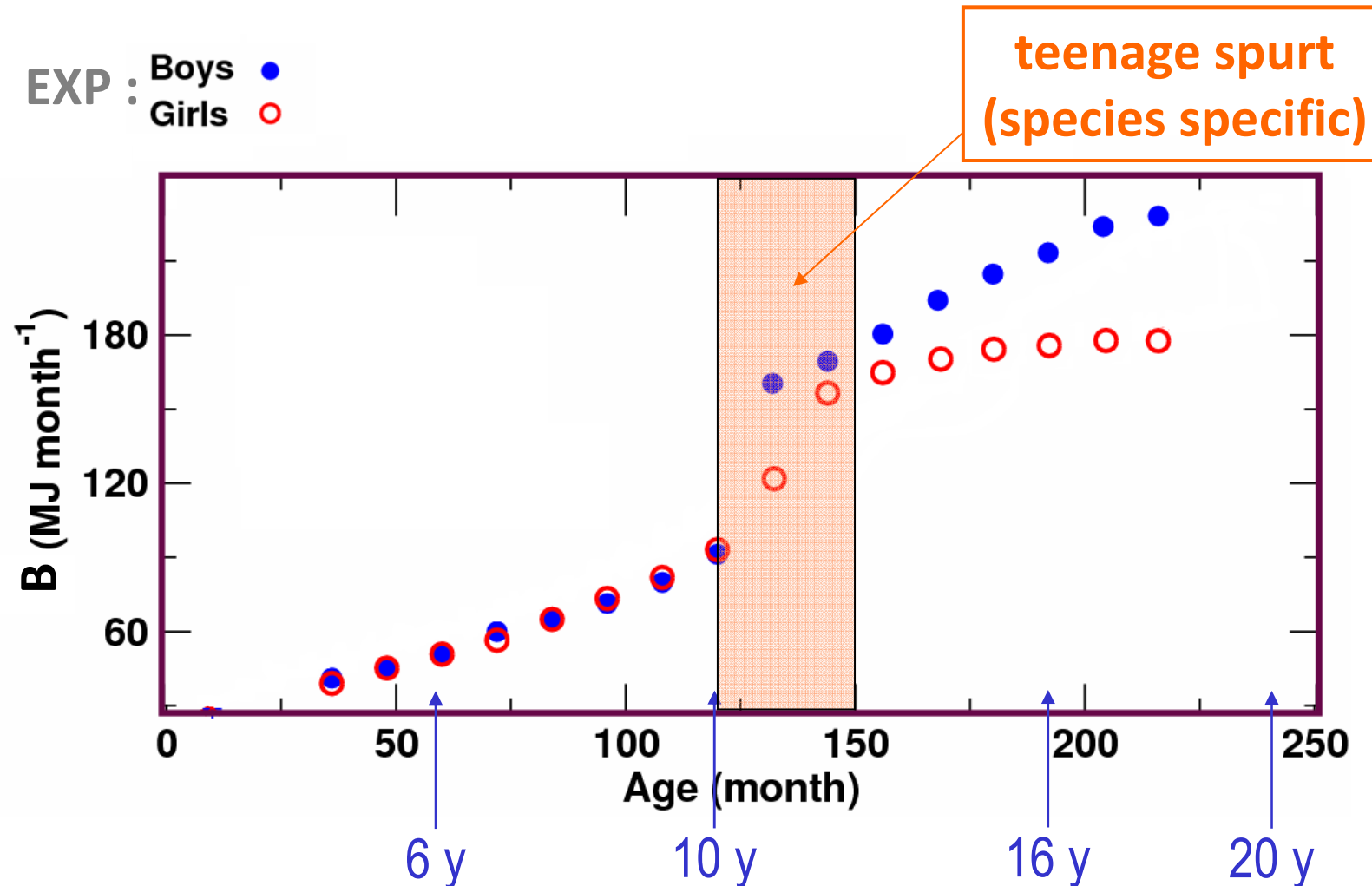
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scaling during **human** ontogeny

- ❖ *previous relations were valid for adult mammals (inter-species)*
- ❖ *what happens during human growth ?*
- ❖ *does a **newborn baby** with **4kg** have the same number of **HSC** than an **adult cat** with **4kg** ?*
- ❖ *allometric scaling also during ontogeny ? How does energy consumption scale with mass during ontogeny ? (intra-species)*

energy allocation during ontogeny

EXPerimentally, the rate of energy expenditure in humans is

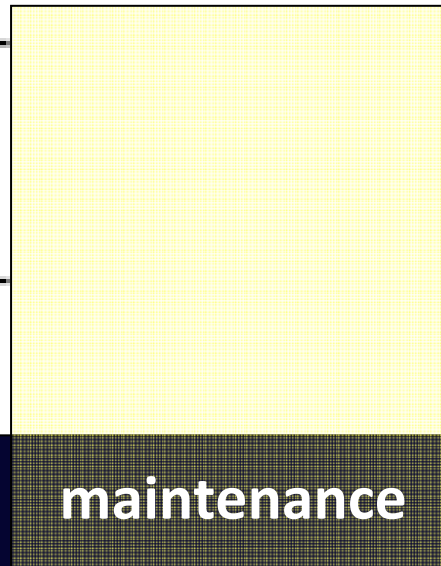


energy allocation during ontogeny

$B(t)$: rate of energy consumption of a growing organism at time t

Theoretically, $B(t)$ receives contributions from 2 terms

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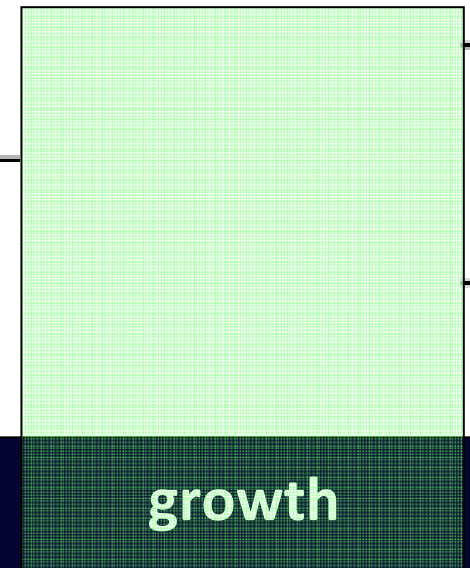
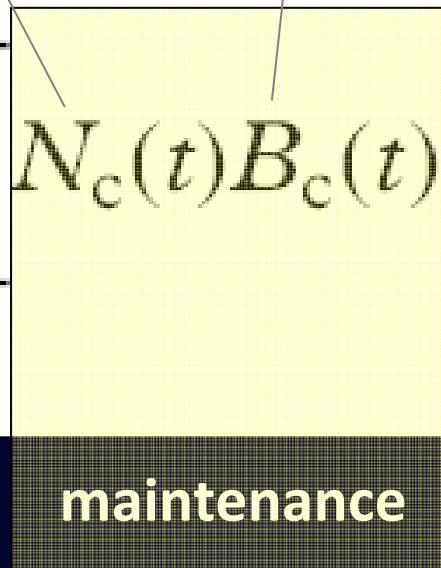
energy allocation during ontogeny

$B(t)$: rate of energy consumption of a growing organism at time t

cells of
given type

metab. rate of
cells at time t

$$B(t) = \sum_{c = \text{cell types}} N_c(t) B_c(t) +$$



energy allocation during ontogeny

$B(t)$: rate of energy consumption of a growing organism at time t

energy cost of
producing a new cell

rate of cell
growth

$$B(t) = \sum_{c = \text{cell types}} \left[N_c(t) B_c(t) + E_c \frac{dN_c(t)}{dt} \right]$$

maintenance

growth

energy allocation during ontogeny

rewriting in terms of mass :

$$B(t) = \underbrace{\frac{B_c}{m_c} m(t)}_{\text{maintenance}} + \underbrace{\frac{E_c}{m_c} \frac{dm(t)}{dt}}_{\text{growth}}$$

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G. West et al.,

Nature 413 (2001) 628

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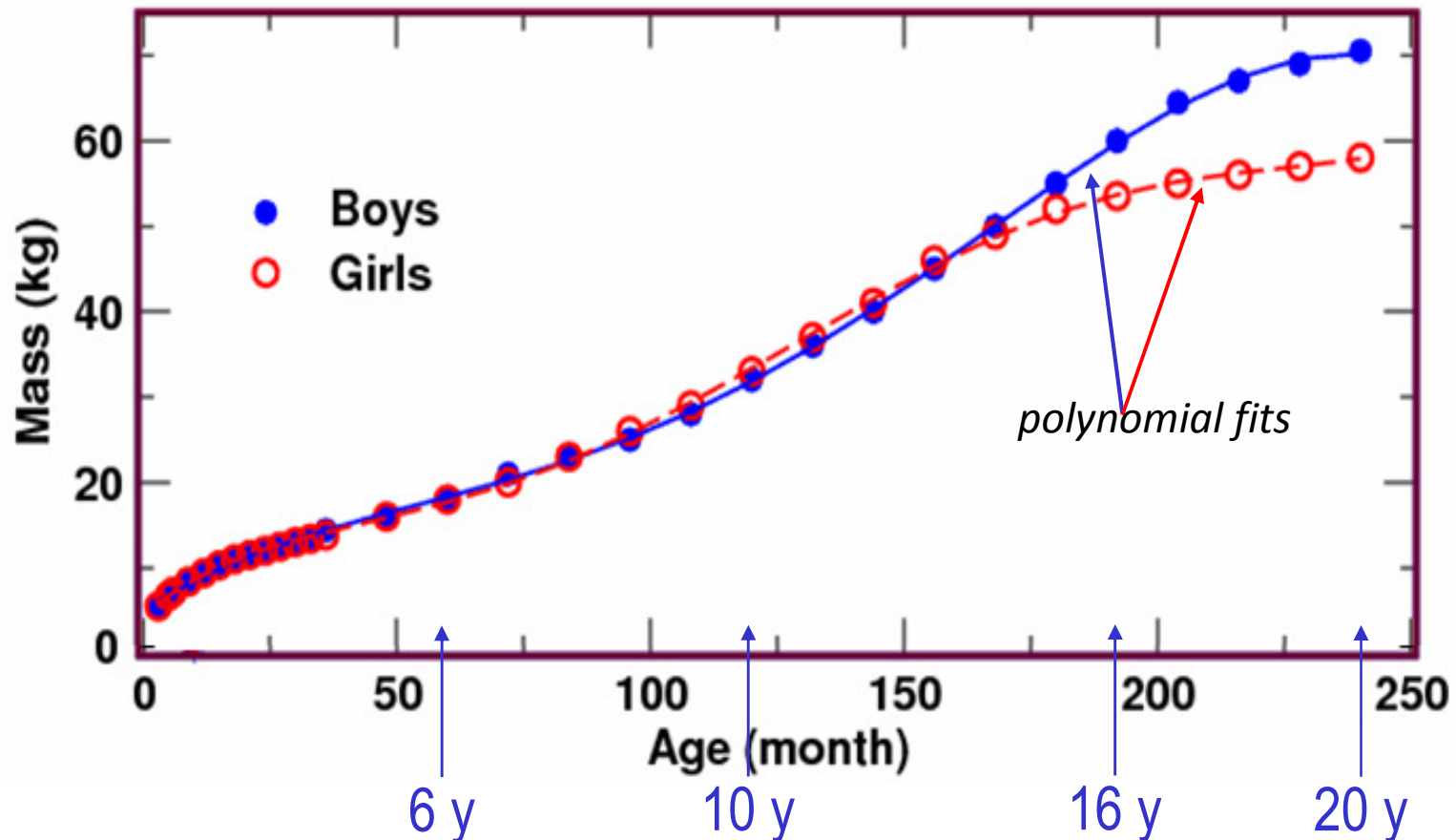
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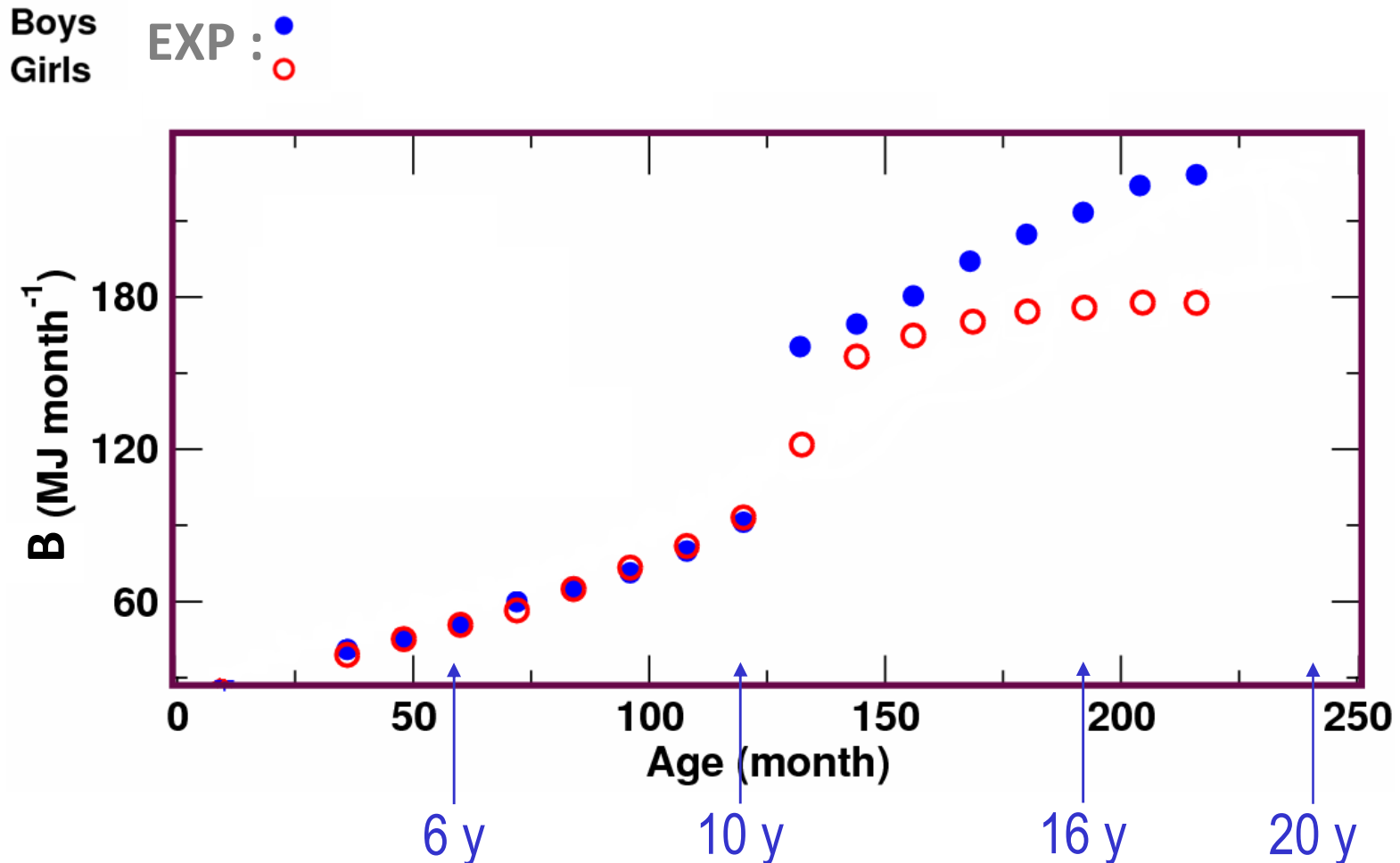
energy allocation during ontogeny

using *Experimental values for $m(t)$*



energy allocation during ontogeny

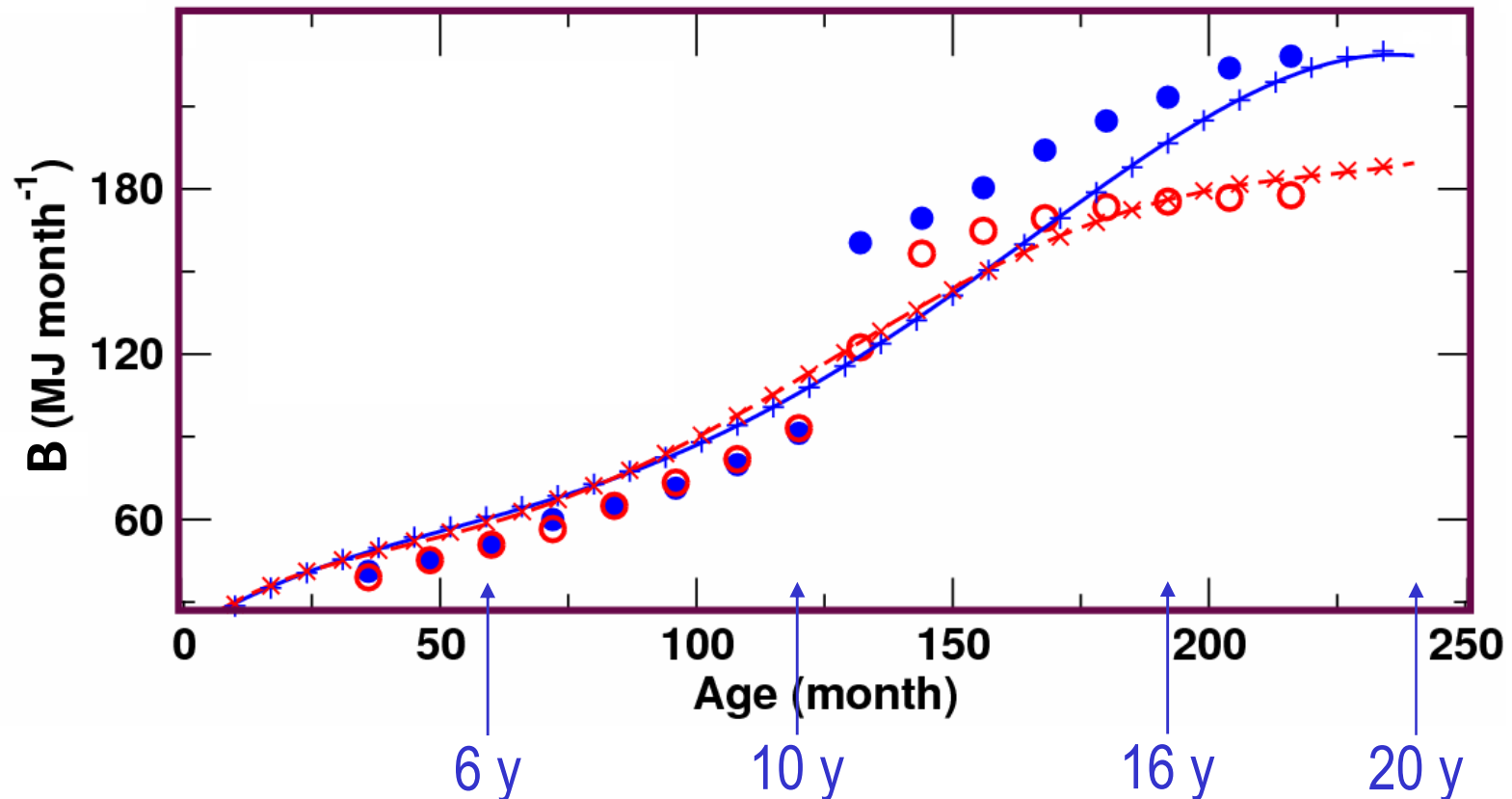
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energy allocation during ontogeny

we get

Boys EXP : ● $\frac{B_c}{m_c} m(t) + \frac{E_c}{m_c} \frac{dm(t)}{dt}$: — $B_0 m^\alpha$ ($\alpha = 0.98$) : +
 Girls ○ $\frac{B_c}{m_c} m(t) + \frac{E_c}{m_c} \frac{dm(t)}{dt}$: - - - $B_0 m^\alpha$ ($\alpha = 0.98$) : ×

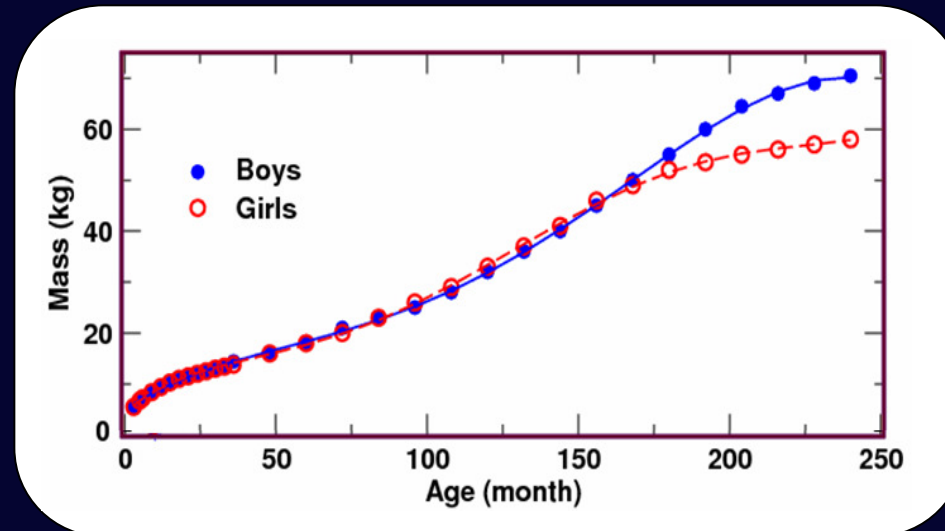


energy allocation during ontogeny

- ❖ *since $0.98 \approx 1$, energy allocation leads essentially to a linear scaling of the energy consumption rate with mass during ontogeny*
- ❖ *this is different from the $M^{3/4}$ scaling found in adult mammals*
- ❖ *thus, one may expect that **HSC** scaling with **m** during ontogeny to be different as well.*

scaling of mean reticulocyte count

- ❖ we know empirically how mass m changes with time during ontogeny:

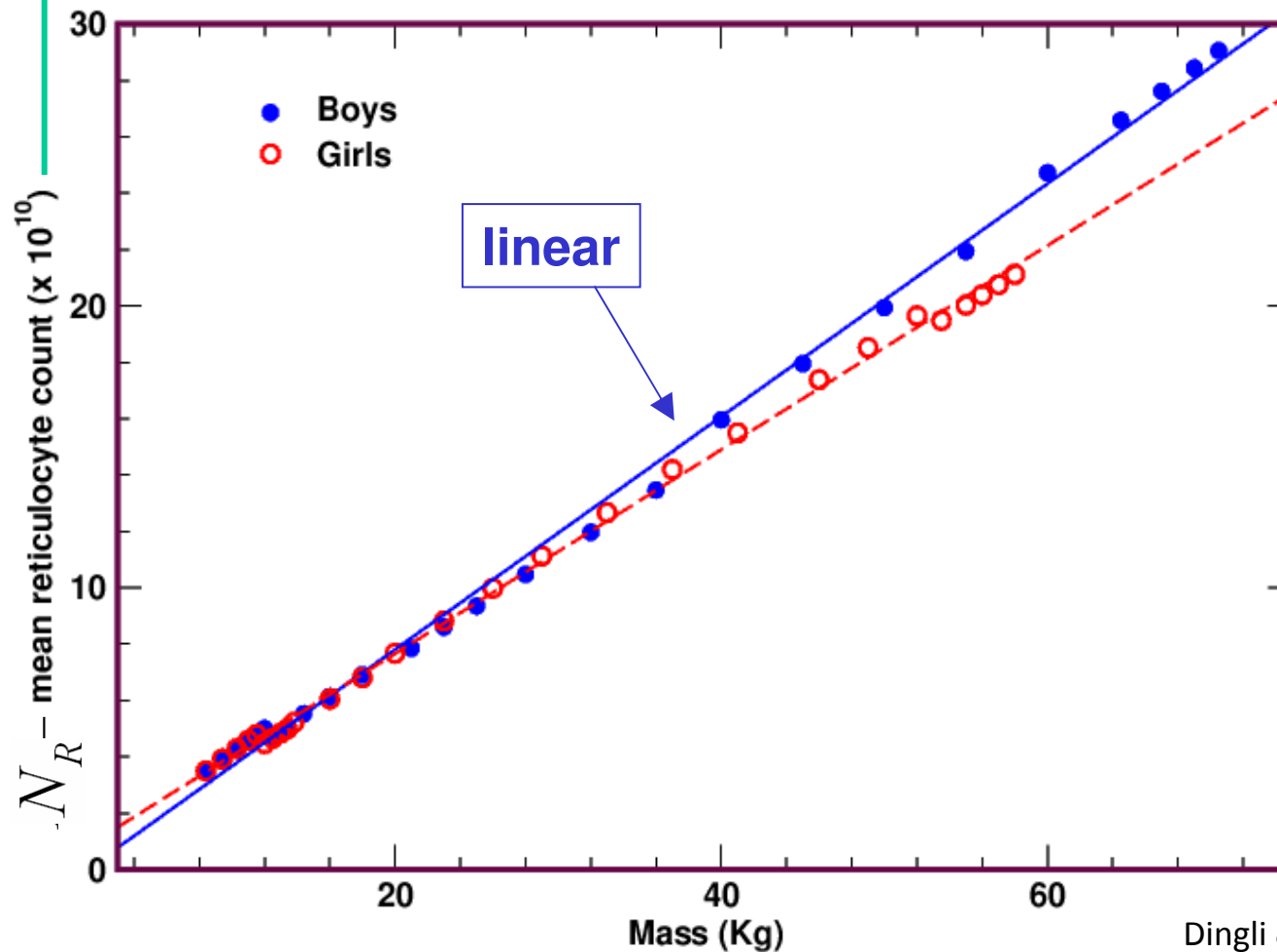


- ❖ if we assume that the structure of the hematopoietic tree remains unchanged during ontogeny,
- ❖ then knowledge of mean reticulocyte count N_R as a function of time will allow us to find how N_R scales with m

scaling of mean reticulocyte count

red blood cells / liter
blood volume
retics percentage

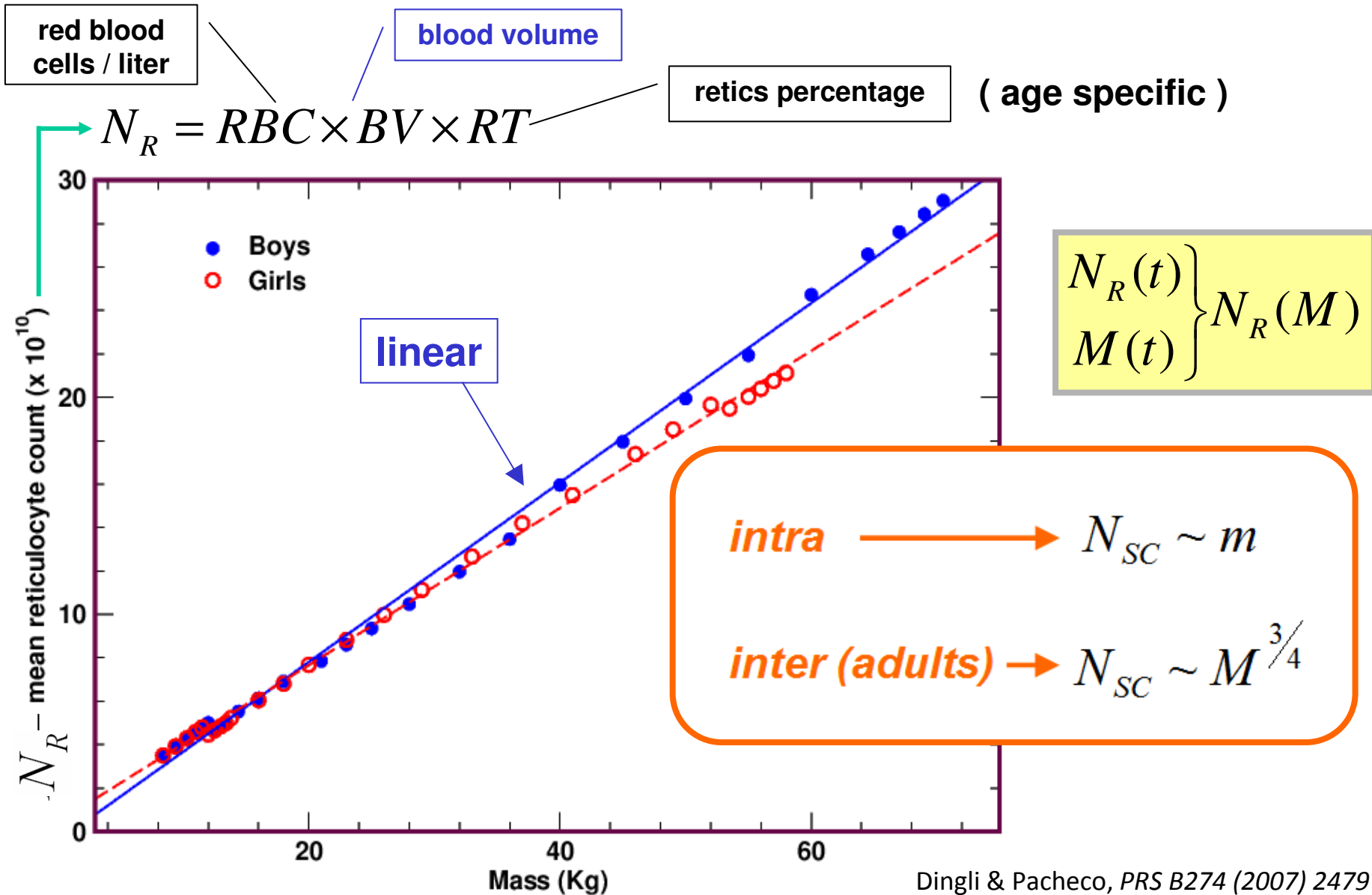
$$N_R = RBC \times BV \times RT \quad (\text{age specific})$$



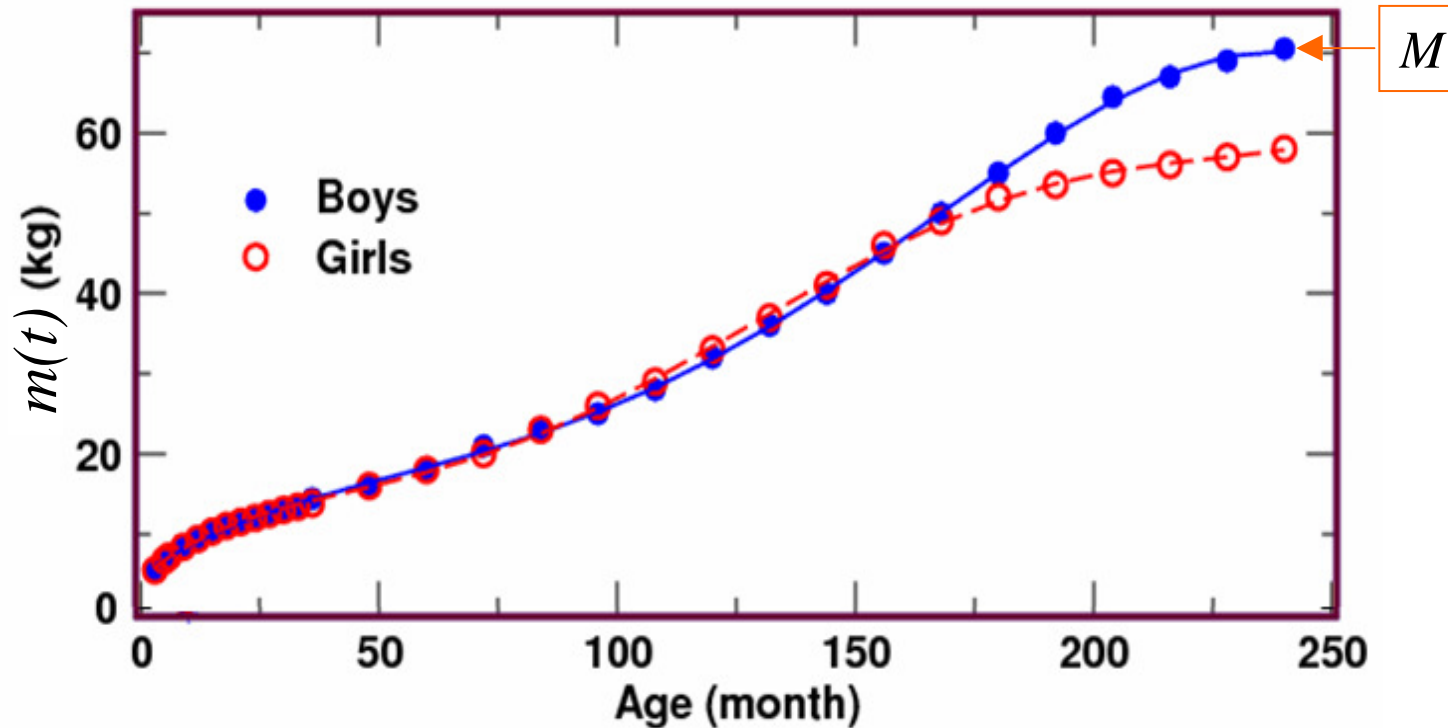
$$\left. \begin{matrix} N_R(t) \\ M(t) \end{matrix} \right\} N_R(M)$$

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scaling of mean reticulocyte count



intra- & inter- species allometric scaling of HSC



intra $\longrightarrow N_{SC} \sim m$

inter (adults) $\longrightarrow N_{SC} \sim M^{3/4}$

	cats	Humans
newborn		~25
adult	~40	~400

m (newborn Human) $\sim M$ (adult cat) ~ 4 kg

scaling relations so-far . . .

❖ number of **HSC** in adult mammals :

$$N_{SC} \approx 16.55 M^{3/4}$$

❖ number of **HSC** during **human** ontogeny :

$$N_{SC} \approx 5.5 m(t)$$

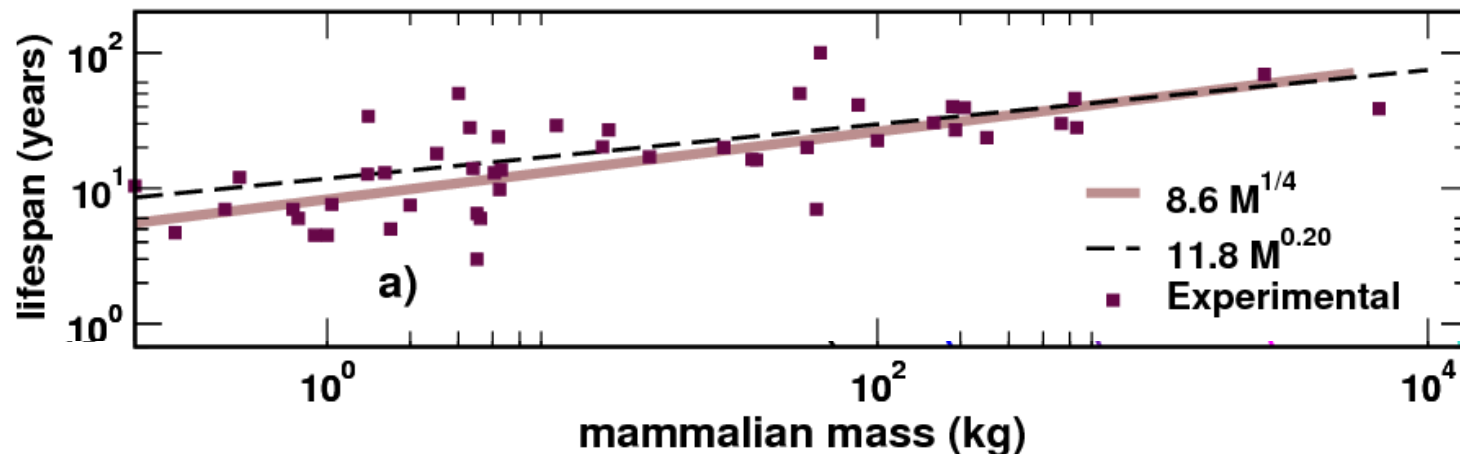
❖ specific basal metabolic rate :

$$\rho_c \approx 2.9 M^{-1/4} \quad (\text{year}^{-1})$$

❖ average life-span :

$$L \approx 8.6 M^{1/4} \quad (\text{year})$$

([M] = kg)



implications . . .

Hayflick hypothesis (1961):

cells undergo a limited number of divisions during their lifespan

from the scaling relations, each cell divides

$$N \sim \text{rate} \times \text{lifespan} \sim M^{-1/4} \times M^{1/4} \sim M^0$$

that is, constant & independent of the mammalian species :

*a **mouse-HSC** and an **elephant-HSC replicate**, on average, **the same number of times** during the **~2-year** and the **~70-year** lifespans of the **mouse** and **elephant**, respectively; **humans** are the main **exception**, as we live much longer than the lifespan estimate.*