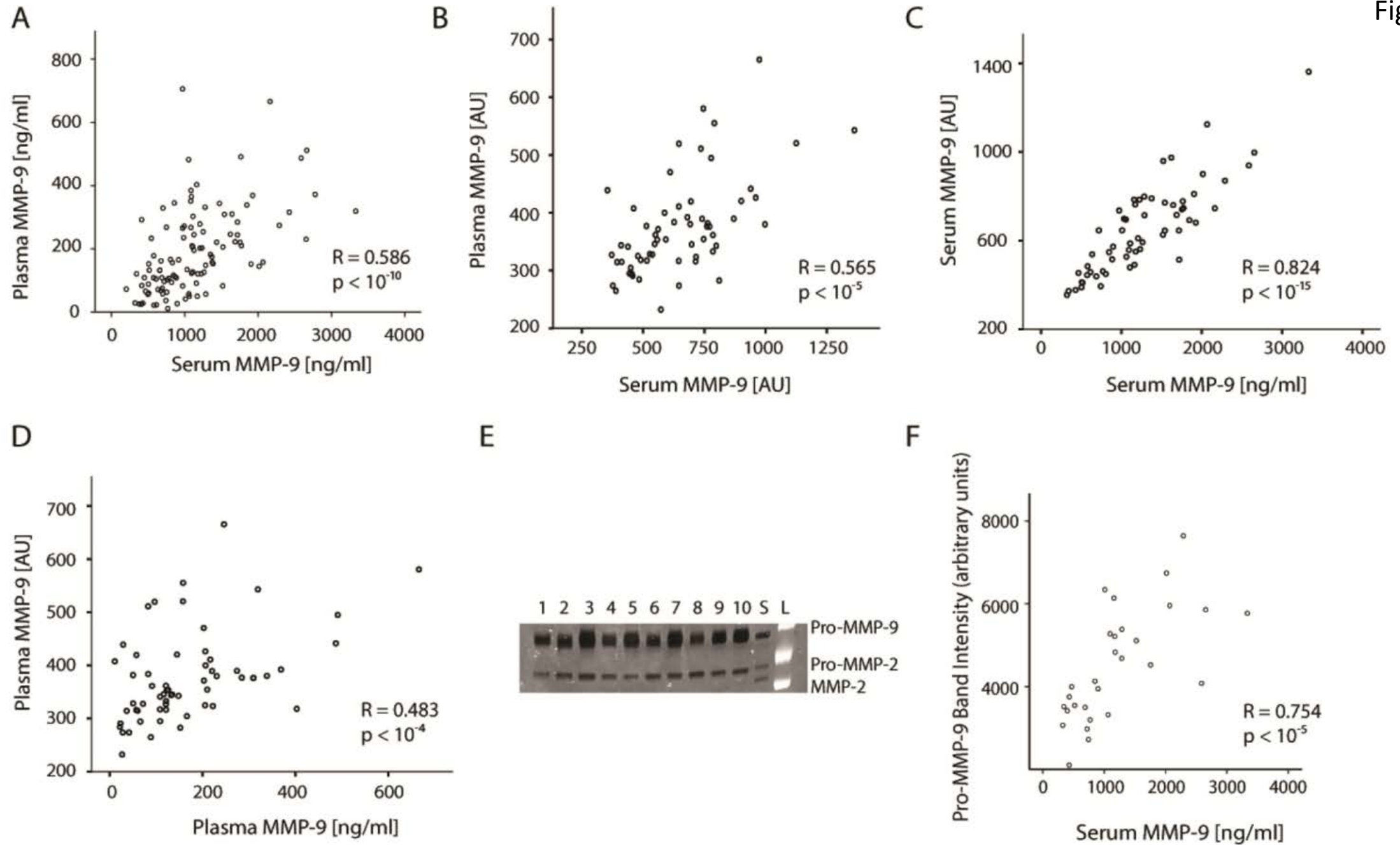
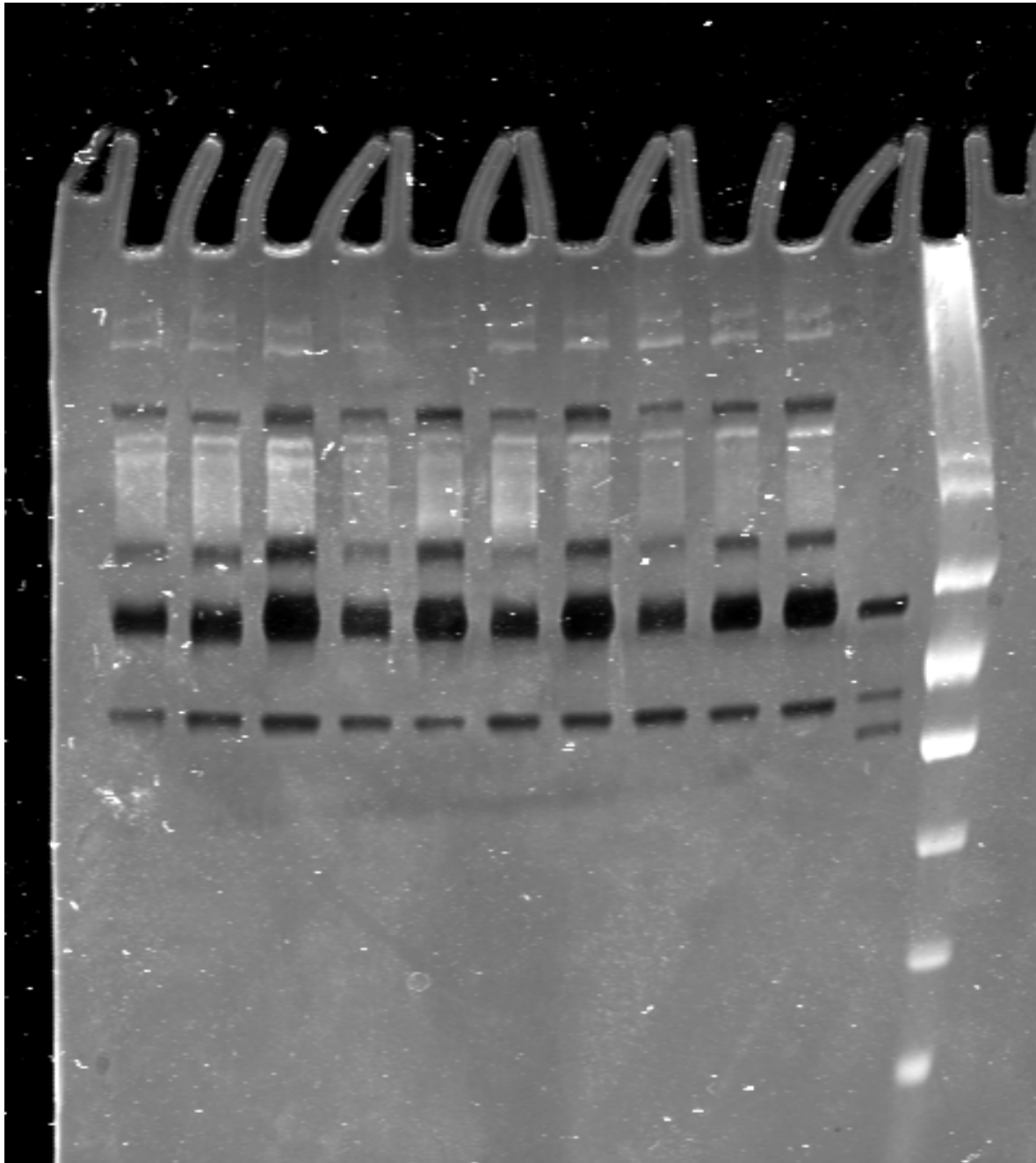


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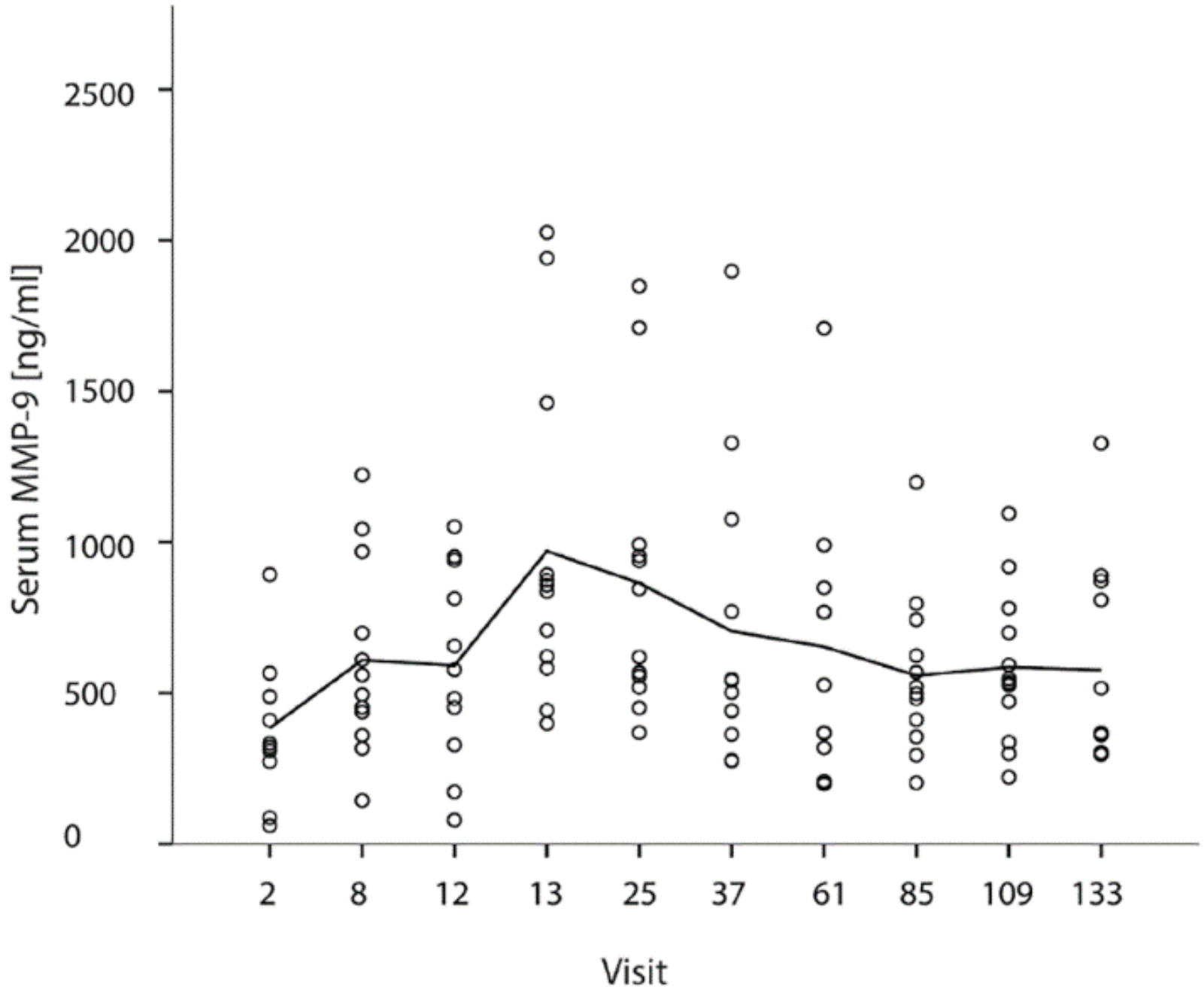
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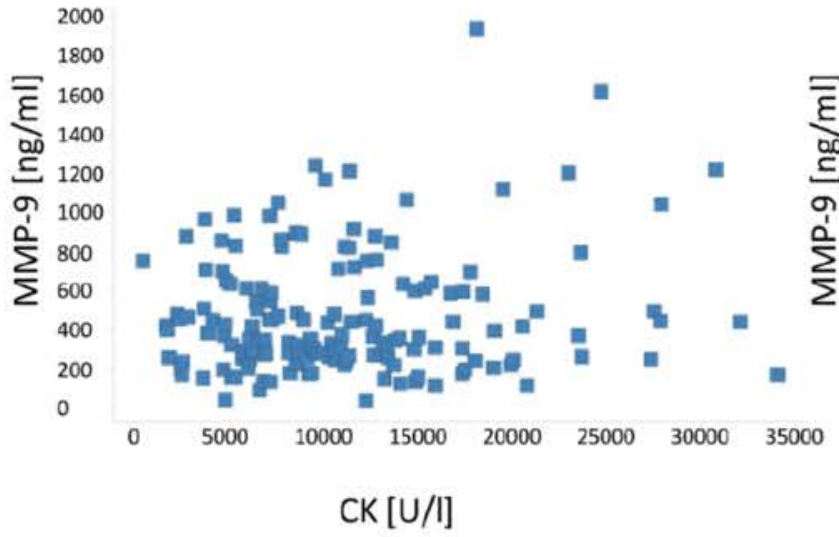


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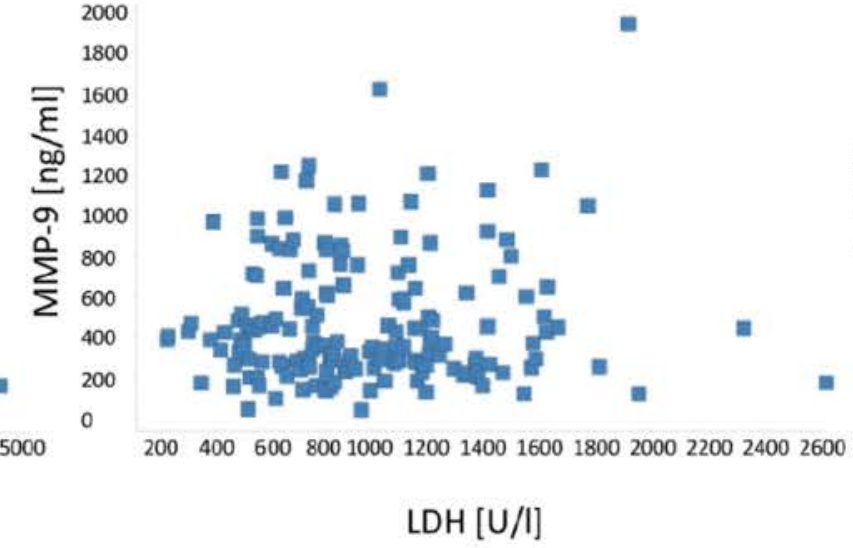
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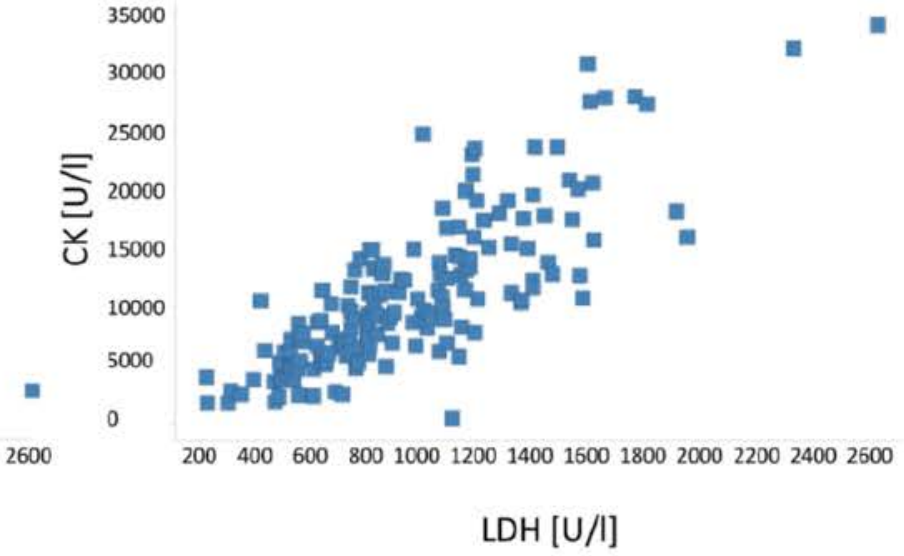
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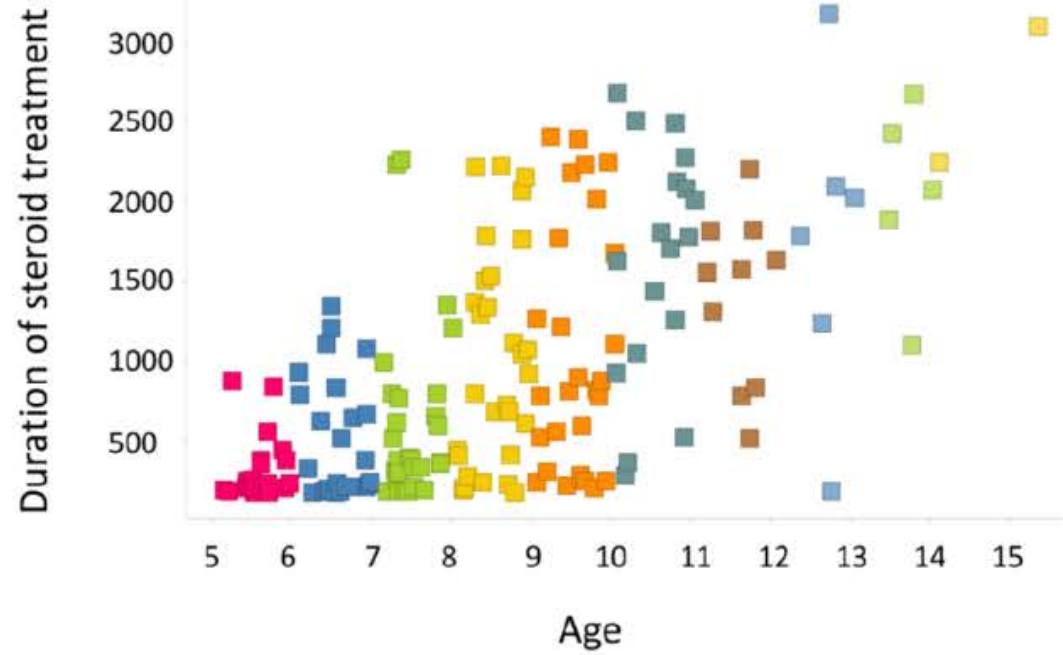
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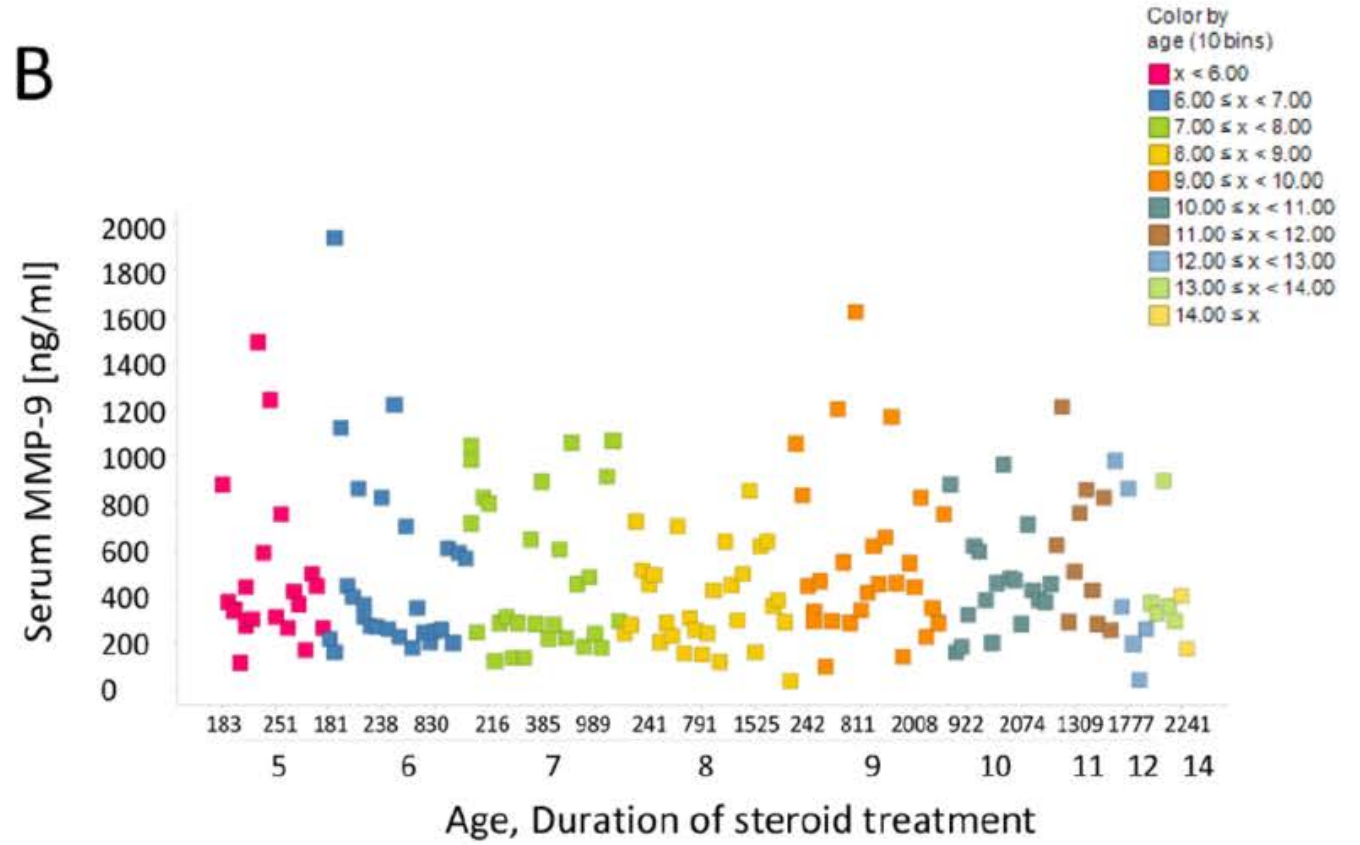
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Reference	Assay vendor	N healthy children	MMP-9 ng/ml (mean± SD)
Zocevic 2015 ⁴³	R&D	51	500 ± 150
Głowińska-Olszewska, 2007 ⁴⁴	R&D	28	400.4 ± 204
Polanska, 2007 ⁴⁵	R&D	20	194.6 (121.13-231.54) median (25-75%)
Nadarajah 2011 ²⁴	R&D	12	73.2 ± 121 median ±IQR
Current report	R&D	32	256.7 ± 207.6

Table S2

Cohort	Patients	Time points
Newcastle	30	2
	2	3
	1	4
	5	5
	Subtotal	38
Leiden	15	2
	9	3
	4	4
	Subtotal	28
Drisapersen	1	6
	11	7
	Subtotal	12
Total	78	251

Legends to Supplementary Figures and Tables:

Supplementary Figure 1. Technical validation of MMP-9 serum levels in DMD. **A-B.** Scatter plots showing significant correlations between serum and plasma MMP-9 levels in 111 serum and plasma samples obtained from DMD patients at the same moment using the ELISA assay (**A**) and in 60 serum and plasma samples as determined by antibody array (**B**). Serum levels are plotted on the x-axis, plasma levels on the y-axis. AU is arbitrary units. **C-D.** Scatter plots showing significant correlations between MMP-9 levels measured by ELISA and antibody array in 60 serum (**C**) and plasma samples (**D**). Each dot represents an independent patient sample. ELISA measurements are plotted on the x-axis, antibody array measurements on the y-axis. Spearman correlation was used to test whether significant associations exist. **E.** MMP-9 characterization by gelatin zymography. Example of gelatin zymography for 10 cases. Pro-MMP-9 and pro-MMP-2 are present in all samples, while the active forms are not detected. The control standard (S) shows both pro-active forms and the active form of MMP-2. L is molecular ladder. **F.** Scatter plot showing the correlation (Spearman) between serum MMP-9 values measured by ELISA (x-axis) and Pro-MMP-9 band intensity in the gelatin zymography assay (y-axis). No significant correlation was found between pro-MMP-2 band intensities and MMP-9 ELISA measurements. Each dot represents one of 29 DMD patients.

Supplementary Figure 2. Scatter plot showing serum levels of MMP-9 during the dose escalation study and the open-label extension study of study NCT01910649. MMP-9 levels are plotted on the y-axis while visits are plotted on the x-axis. Visits 2 to 12 are part of the dose escalating study, between visit 12 and 13 patients were not treated and this period varies between 9 to 47 weeks. Visit 13 represents the start of the open label extension study.

Supplementary Figure 3. Scatterplot showing the lack of association between serum MMP-9 and muscle leakage biomarkers. MMP-9 levels are plotted with CK (**A**) and LDH (**B**). A high correlation is present between CK and LDH levels for all patients involved in the phase 3 trial (NCT01254019, DMD114044) at baseline (**C**).

Supplementary Figure 4. Scatterplot showing the association between MMP-9 and duration of corticosteroid treatment. **A.** Plot showing the association between patients age and duration of corticosteroid treatment. **B.** Scatterplot showing the relationship between serum MMP-9 and duration of treatment with corticosteroids divided by age groups. For both panels the color represent age bins of 1 year starting from 5 years of age up to 14.

Supplementary Table 1. MMP-9 levels in healthy/ non DMD children reported in literature and in this manuscript.

Supplementary Table 2. DMD patients belonging to the natural history cohorts involved in the longitudinal study.