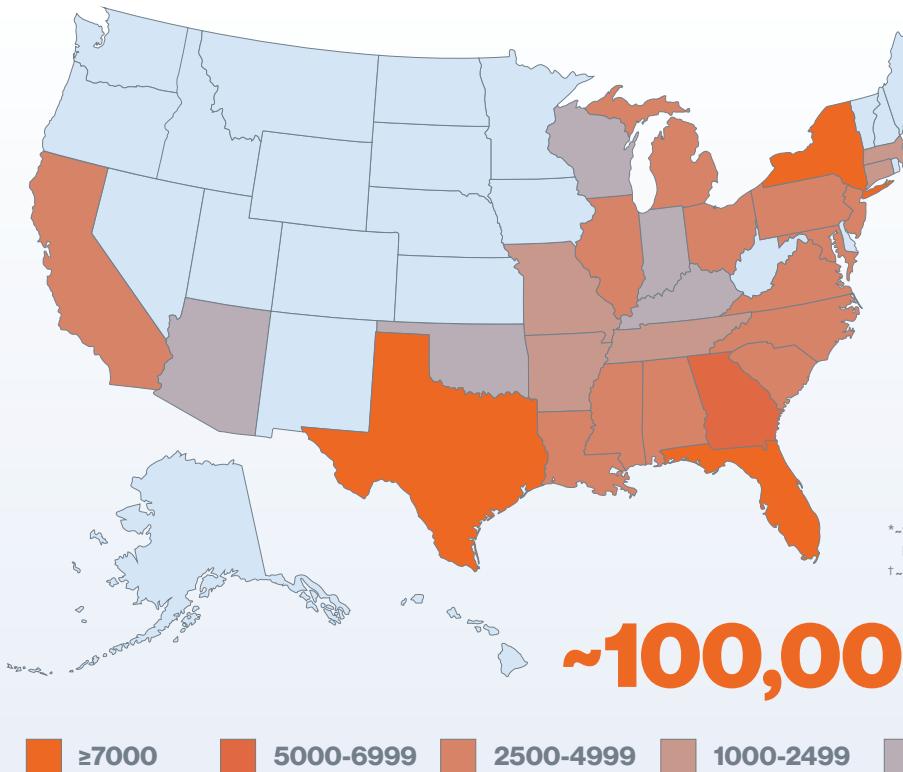


FACTS ABOUT SICKLE CELL DISEASE

~100,000 People Are Affected by Sickle Cell Disease in the United States¹



Incidence of Sickle Cell Disease¹

~1:365

African American Births*

~1:16,300

Hispanic American Births[†]

Incidence of Sickle Cell Trait¹



~1:13 African American Births

*~1500 people with sickle cell disease (SCD) per year based on the birth rates in United States, 2017.²

[†]~55 people with SCD per year based on the birth rates in United States, 2017.²

~100,000 PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES
HAVE SICKLE CELL DISEASE¹

Top 10 States With the Highest Prevalence of Sickle Cell Disease

Top 10 States with the Highest Prevalence of Crohn's Disease	
State ^a	Prevalence
Florida	8803
New York	8661
Texas	7132
Georgia	5797
Maryland	4860
California	4707
New Jersey	4256
North Carolina	3973
Louisiana	3936
Pennsylvania	3743
Total	55,868

>55%

OF PEOPLE WITH SCD RESIDE IN 10 STATES³

Prevalence for other states: Alabama, 2851; Alaska, 45; Arizona, 635; Arkansas, 1266; Colorado, 371; Connecticut, 1252; Delaware, 561; District of Columbia, 1413; Hawaii, 82; Idaho, 36; Illinois, 3720; Indiana, 1162; Iowa, 254; Kansas, 417; Kentucky, 745; Maine, 75; Massachusetts, 1957; Michigan, 3222; Minnesota, 570; Mississippi, 3092; Missouri, 1903; Montana, 14; Nebraska, 148; Nevada, 539; New Hampshire, 33; New Mexico, 163; North Dakota, 14; Ohio, 3725; Oklahoma, 753; Oregon, 180; Rhode Island, 184; South Carolina, 3694; South Dakota, 19; Tennessee, 2077; Utah, 82; Vermont, 11; Virginia, 2961; Washington, 370; West Virginia, 200; Wisconsin, 1146; Wyoming, 16.

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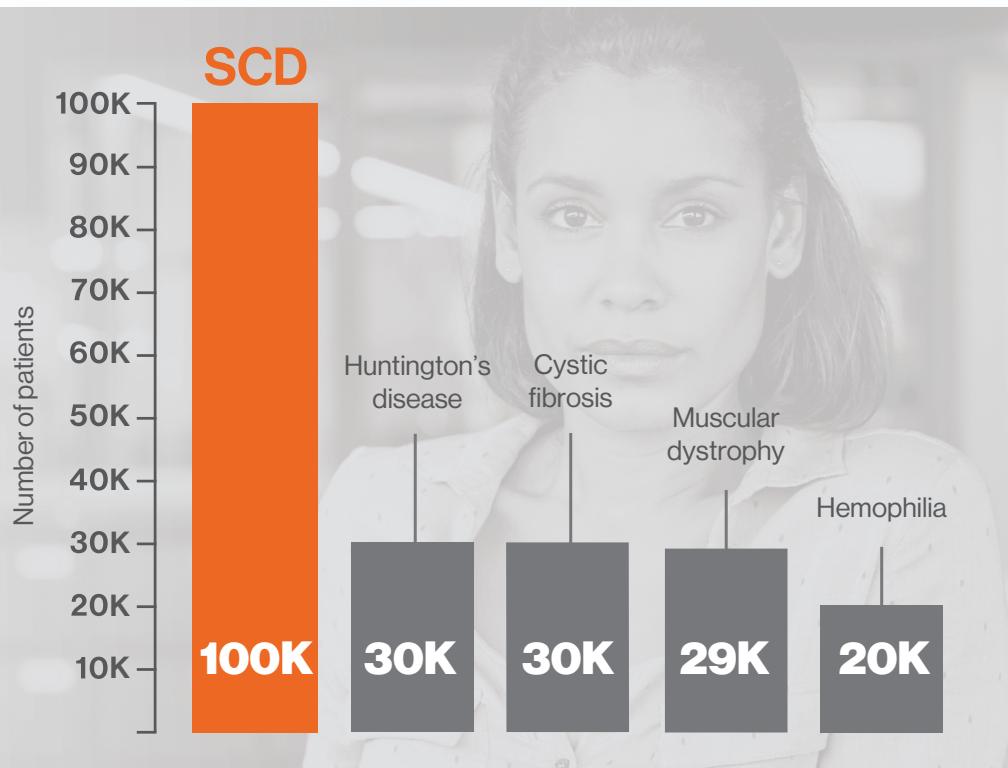
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FACTS ABOUT SICKLE CELL DISEASE

Sickle Cell Disease Is the Most Common Genetic Blood Disorder in the United States^{1,2}

Prevalence of Some Inherited Disorders in the United States²⁻⁶



**SICKLE CELL DISEASE
IS >3 TIMES
MORE PREVALENT THAN
OTHER RARE INHERITED
DISORDERS**

Funding for Cystic Fibrosis Is Greater Than That for Sickle Cell Disease⁷

Per affected individual, funding for cystic fibrosis is **11 times greater** than that for sickle cell disease (SCD)

Based on the National Institutes of Health; Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation®, and Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Therapeutics Inc. in 2011.

Despite its higher prevalence, SCD awareness and funding are lower than that of other genetic diseases.⁸

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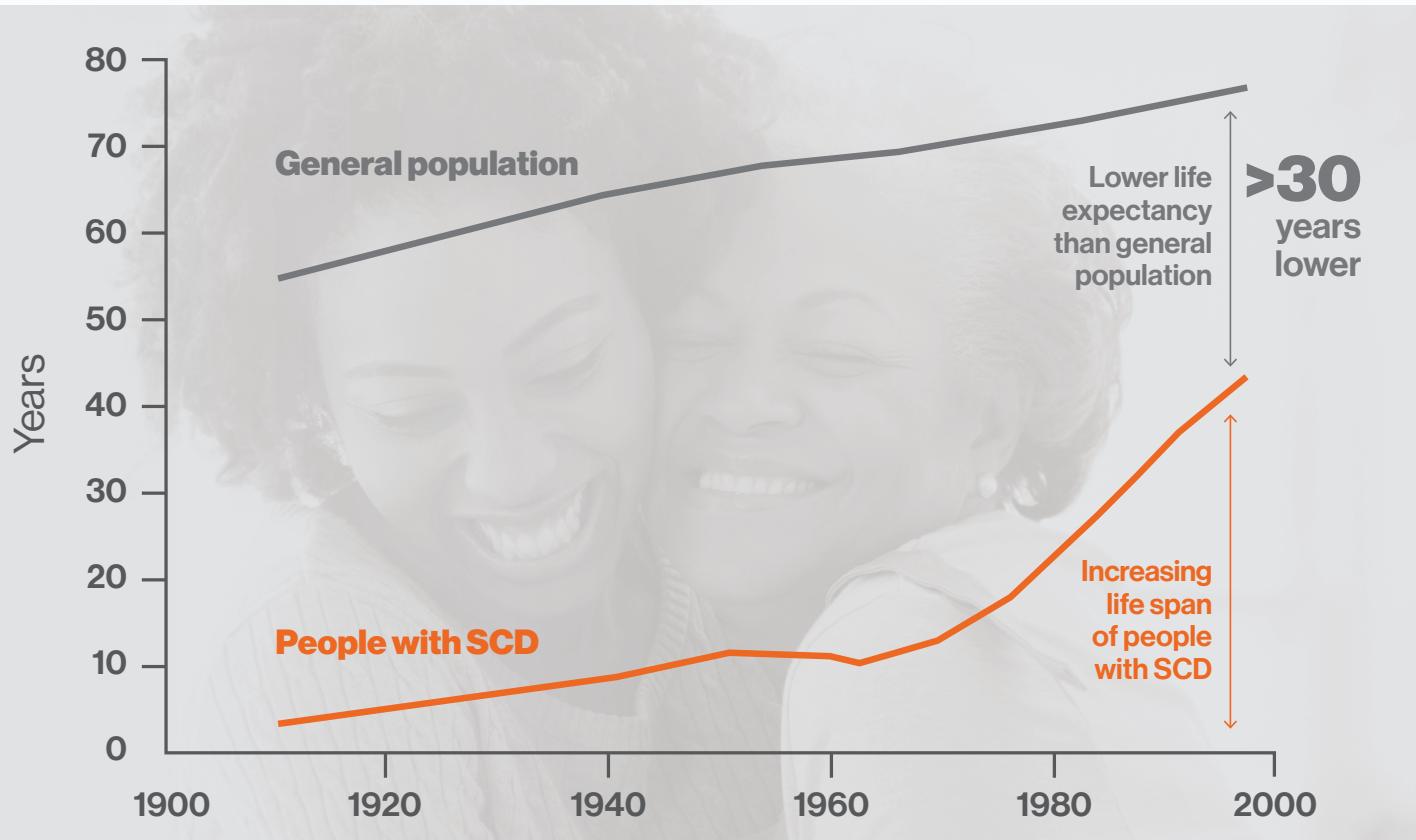
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FACTS ABOUT SICKLE CELL DISEASE

Average Life Expectancy for People With Sickle Cell Disease in the United States
Is 40-45 Years of Age¹

Life Expectancy of People With Sickle Cell Disease in the United States²



LIFE EXPECTANCY FOR PEOPLE WITH SICKLE CELL DISEASE REMAINS **>30 YEARS LOWER THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION²**

Major advances in sickle cell disease (SCD) screening and interventions over the past 4 decades have increased life expectancy; however, life expectancy is still more than 30 years lower than that of the general population.^{1,2}

The majority of people with SCD in the United States are adults and of African ancestry. Patients of Hispanic, South Asian, South European, and Middle Eastern descent are also affected.²⁻⁴

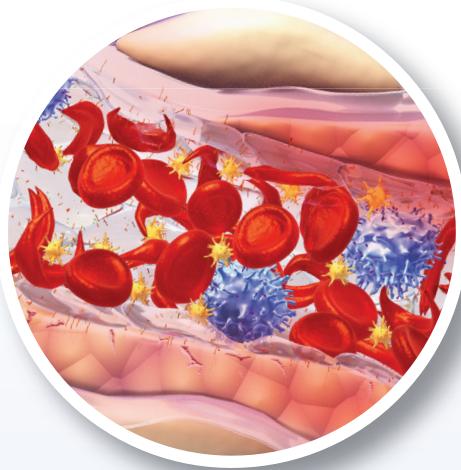
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FACTS ABOUT SICKLE CELL DISEASE



Sickle Cell Disease Goes Beyond Red Blood Cells and, Early on, Progresses to a Chronic Vascular Disease¹

- Sickle cell disease (SCD) is a genetic blood disorder arising from mutations in the hemoglobin gene^{1,2}
- Multicellular adhesion among endothelium and blood cells is a major driver of vaso-occlusion and vaso-occlusive crises (VOCs)¹
- The upregulation and expression of specific adhesion mediators, including selectins, drive multicellular adhesion clusters^{1,3}
- VOCs are the clinical hallmark of SCD and originate from ongoing, silent, vaso-occlusion^{4,5}

Vaso-Occlusive Crises May Account for a Majority of the Burden of Sickle Cell Disease¹



VOCs may be only the tip of the ongoing vaso-occlusion iceberg^{4,5}



VOCs are unpredictable, extremely painful events that last, on average, 10 days^{5,6}



79% of VOCs are treated at home; many patients do not seek the medical attention they need^{7*}



VOCs are associated with decreased quality of life and increased risk of organ damage, multiorgan failure, and death^{1,6,8}

The Burden of VOCs on Both Patients and Their Caregivers



VOCs are the **primary reason for emergency room visits and hospital admissions** in patient with SCD^{9,10}



VOCs are associated with **frequent hospital admissions** that can lead to **increased health care costs**^{7,10,11}



VOCs can affect **social relationships, employment, and education**^{12,13}

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*According to PISCES (Pain in Sickle Cell Epidemiology Study), in which 232 adults with sickle cell disease completed daily pain diary logs, home management of pain episodes constituted about 13% of the total days; whereas, use of health care facilities constituted less than 4% of the total days.⁷

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