## Alpha Gal: The Basics (Lila's worst nightmare)

☐ After a tick bite, individuals become allergic to meat, with a detectable allergic antibody to mammalian carbohydrate



 $\Box$  Galactose- $\alpha$ -1,3-galactose

Tripathih et al. The Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology: In Practice 2 (3) 259-265, 2014.

## Your turn...

- ☐ M1: What class of meat is involved? What class(es) are not?
- ☐ M2-G1: What type of molecule are usually antigens? Why?
- ☐ G2-G4+: Describe the lab technique used to determine if the patient has the disease
- ☐ M3-M4: What is unusual about the time course of this reaction(s)?