

Mutation analysis of the genes linked to early onset Alzheimer's disease and frontotemporal lobar degeneration

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Abstract

A lot of efforts have been done to unravel the genetics underlying early-onset Alzheimer's disease (AD) and frontotemporal lobar degeneration (FTLD). However, still many familial early-onset dementia (EOD) cases show an unclear genetic background. The aim of this study was to evaluate the role of the known causative mutations and possible pathogenic variants associated with AD and FTLD in a Finnish EOD cohort. The cohort consisted of 39 patients (mean age at onset 54.8 years, range 39-65) with a positive family history of dementia or an atypical or rapidly progressive course of the disease. None of the patients carried the *C9orf72* hexanucleotide repeat expansion. Mutations and variants in *APP*, *PSEN1*, *PSEN2*, *MAPT*, *GRN*, *VCP*, *CHMP2B*, *FUS*, *TARDBP*, *TREM2*, *TMEM106B*, *UBQLN2*, *SOD1*, *PRNP*, *UBQLN1* and *BINI* were screened by using a targeted next generation sequencing (NGS) panel. Two previously reported pathogenic mutations (*PSEN1* p.His163Arg and *MAPT* p.Arg406Trp) were identified in the cohort. Both patients had familial dementia with an atypical early onset phenotype. In addition, a heterozygous p.Arg71Trp mutation in *PSEN2* with an uncertain pathogenic nature was identified in a patient with neuropathologically confirmed AD. In conclusion, targeted investigation of the known dementia-linked genes is worthwhile in patients with onset age under 55 and a positive family history, as well as in patients with atypical features.

Key words: Alzheimer's disease, frontotemporal lobar degeneration, frontotemporal dementia, genetics, early onset, presenilin-1, mutation, missense, microtubule-associated protein tau, human.

Introduction

Alzheimer's disease (AD) and frontotemporal lobar degeneration (FTLD) are the two most common causes for early-onset dementia (EOD) [1]. Approximately 35-60% of the early-onset AD (EOAD) and over 40% of the FTLD patients have at least one affected first-degree relative in their family and approximately 10% of these patients present the pattern of autosomal dominant inheritance [2,3]. The patient's probability of having AD caused by a pathogenic mutation increases if the his or her family presents AD in several generations and the age at the onset is very early (under 55 years) [4]. Mutations in amyloid precursor protein (*APP*), presenilin-1 (*PSEN1*) and presenilin-2 (*PSEN2*) genes account for 5-10% of EOAD while at least 20% of the EOAD patients have been estimated to display autosomal dominant inheritance of a still unknown genetic background [2]. To date, over 50 pathogenic mutations in *APP*, over 200 mutations in *PSEN1* and over 30 mutations in *PSEN2* genes are known to cause EOAD [2]. The *C9orf72* hexanucleotide repeat expansion or *MAPT* and *GRN* mutations underlie the majority of the familial FTLD [5,6]. In Finland, the prevalence of the *C9orf72* repeat expansion is exceptionally high [7], whereas *MAPT* and *GRN* mutations associated with FTLD or *PSEN1*, *PSEN2* and *APP* mutations associated with AD have been found to be very rare [8–10].

The apolipoprotein E (*APOE4*) ϵ 4 allele is the main genetic risk factor for both EOAD and late onset AD (LOAD)[2]. However, *APOE4* has not been indicated to elevate the risk for FTLD. Recent genome-wide association studies (GWAS) and next generation sequencing studies (NGS) have so far identified over 20 other AD risk genes and genetic loci [11]. The genetic risk factors identified for LOAD have been suggested to modulate the risk for EOAD as well [12,13]. Previous NGS studies have shown that EOD patients are more often associated with multiple rare variants or risk alleles than LOAD patients or healthy controls [12].

The aim of this study was to evaluate the genetic background of a Finnish EOD cohort by analysing genes associated with AD and FTLD using targeted next generation exome sequencing.

Patients and methods

The study population consisted of 39 patients with EOD diagnosed at two memory outpatient clinics in Finland (Oulu University and Kuopio University Hospitals). The inclusion criteria of the patients were 1) early onset of the disorder (before 65 years) and 2) at least one patient with dementia in their family or 3) atypical or rapidly progressive course of the disease. All the patients were examined and diagnosed by an experienced neurologist specialized in memory disorders. The diagnoses were made according to the current prevailing diagnostic criteria for each disease. Also re-evaluation of the diagnoses [14–17] for this study was made by experienced neurologists. In total, 29 patients were diagnosed with AD, nine with FTLD and one with progressive supranuclear palsy. Three of the FTLD patients had also motor neuron disease. In our cohort, 44% (n=17) patients had at least one first-degree relative with dementia or cognitive decline and 51% (n=20) patients had a family history of cognitive decline in at least in second-degree relatives.

The mean age at onset was 54.8 years (range 39-65) and the mean age at diagnosis was 57.6 years (range 40-67). The patients carrying the *C9orf72* repeat expansion were excluded from the study. Three patients were carriers of the *APOE4* allele and they all had *APOE* genotype E3/E4. The study was performed according to the principles of the Declaration of Helsinki. Written informed consent was obtained from all the patients or their caregivers. The research protocol was approved by the ethic committees of the Northern Ostrobothnia hospital district and by the Northern Savo hospital district.

DNA was extracted from the blood samples by standard methods. DNA purification was done with Qiagen purification Kit (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) according to the original protocol. The repeat-primed polymerase chain reaction assay (RP-PCR) was used to indicate the presence or absence of the *C9orf72* repeat expansion [18]. Targeted gene exon libraries were prepared using NimbleGen SeqCap EZ Library kit (Roche, Basel, Switzerland) with customized SeqCap EZ Neurology Panel Design (Roche, Basel, Switzerland), covering all exons and exon-intron boundaries of 258 genes associated with 87 neurological diseases and disorders (Supplementary table 1). Furthermore, 22 additional genes were included in the panel (Supplementary table 2). Samples were sequenced using Illumina MiSeq sequencer (Illumina, San Diego, USA, CA).

Based on previous genetic findings of AD and FTLD, 16 genes (*APP*, *PSEN1*, *PSEN2*, *MAPT*, *GRN*, *VCP*, *CHMP2B*, *FUS*, *TARDBP*, *TREM2*, *TMEM106B*, *UBQLN2*, *SOD1*, *UBQLN1*, *PRNP* and *BINI*) were selected for detailed investigation from the targeted panel of 258 genes and 22 additional genes. An in-house developed analysis pipeline was used for the evaluation of raw fastq files generated by the MiSeq sequencer. The data was manually screened to find exonic single-nucleotide mutations that cause a protein change. The recognized mutations were categorized as pathogenic, non-pathogenic and possible new variants or risk variants according to the previous literature and databases [19]. The relevant findings were confirmed by Sanger sequencing with ABI3500xL Genetic Analyzer (Applied Biosystems Inc, Foster City, USA, California). Primers and reaction conditions are available upon request. Exon-intron boundaries of *APP*, *PSEN1*, *PSEN2*, *MAPT*, *GRN*, *VCP*, *CHMP2B*, *FUS* and *TARDBP* genes were manually screened to find splice site mutations.

Results

Two patients (5.1%) were found to harbor previously reported pathogenic mutations p.His163Arg in *PSEN1* or p.Arg406Trp in *MAPT*. In addition, a *PSEN2* p.Arg71Trp mutation with an unclear pathogenic nature [20] was detected in a neuropathologically confirmed AD patient.

We also identified non-pathogenic variants *GRN* p.Arg433Trp, *PSEN1* p.Glu318Gly, *MAPT* p.Gln230Arg and *MAPT* p.Tyr441His in our cohort. Furthermore, we detected three AD risk variants in *TREM2*, *UBQLN2* and *BIN1* genes. Two variants in *TMEM106B* gene which have previously been reported to be associated with mainly FTD were detected in both AD and FTLD patients (Table 1). Moreover, we found one intronic splice-site mutation in *APP* which has unknown effect on protein code (Table 1.). All the patients were heterozygous carriers of the mutations or variants. The patient carrying the *TREM2* variant had *APOE* genotype E3/E4.

Phenotypes of the patients carrying the pathogenic mutations

PSEN1 p.His163Arg (c.A488G)

A 39-year-old woman referred to a neurologist due to rapidly progressive cognitive decline. A bipolar mood disorder had been diagnosed in her early twenties. In neurological examination, the patient presented slight postural tremor in her upper limbs, clumsy movements and myoclonic jerks. In addition, tardive dyskinesia/tic-symptoms were observed around her mouth as well as vocal tics. The patient was euphoric, and she presented behavioral disinhibition. Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) of the brain was normal. In the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) examination, phosphorylated tau was elevated, 252 pg/ml (normal concentration under 70 pg/ml), while beta-amyloid-42 (A β ₄₂) was relatively low, 582 pg/ml (normal concentration over 500 pg/ml). Neuropsychological examination revealed severe cognitive decline and the patient was diagnosed to have AD. At the age of 44 years she had an epileptic seizure and a computed

tomography (CT) of the brain was done showing severe central atrophy and Scheltens grade 2 hippocampal atrophy [21]. Slowness and central spikes, but no epileptic bursts were found in the electroencephalography. At the age of 45 years she was bedridden and unable to speak. The patient died at the age of 46 years, but no autopsy was done. Her mother and sister as well as many of the mother's siblings had been diagnosed with psychiatric syndromes. The patient's mother had also Parkinson's disease and she had died at the age of 70 years.

MAPT p.Arg406Trp (c.C1216T)

A 52-year-old woman presented subjective memory disturbances. In addition, her behaviour was impulsive and she had fluctuating mood changes. Neuropsychological examination revealed mild problems in concentration and her performance was slow, however at that point the neuropsychological profile was not regarded supportive for a dementing disease. At the age of 55 years, she was again referred to neurologist because of increasing memory problems. Neuropsychological examination revealed a decline in episodic memory, time orientation, visual reasoning, and perception in addition to executive dysfunction. She also suffered from depression and psychosis. In neurological examination, she had intention tremor and her speech was uninhibited but otherwise the examination was normal. Brain MRI showed moderate hippocampal atrophy bilaterally and cortical atrophy especially in the temporobasal areas. The CSF biomarkers for AD were normal. The patient was diagnosed to have frontal variant of AD. Four years after the diagnosis, the neuropsychological examination revealed severe cognitive decline, especially memory impairment, including major problems in delayed recall, working memory, learning and verbal memory in addition to executive dysfunction. The patient's mother got demented in her early fifties and her sister had been diagnosed to have AD at the age of 52 years. The patient also carried the *UBQLN2* p. Ile501Thr variant.

PSEN2 p.Arg71Trp (c.C211T)

A 55-year-old male referred to neurologist due to memory problems. Brain MRI indicated a Dandy-Walker malformation. In a follow-up, gradual cognitive decline and increasing memory problems were noticed and he was clinically diagnosed to have AD. At the age of 59 years, he indicated to have normal pressure hydrocephalus and a brain biopsy was obtained during the shunt operation. The histology of the brain biopsy showed typical neuropathological findings for AD, including considerable amount of beta-amyloid plaques but no amyloid pathology in the vessels. The accumulation of tau was detected as tangles, plaques, and cytoplasmic inclusions. There were also p62-positive cytoplasmic inclusions, tangles and fibrils, and a few TDP-43-positive cytoplasmic inclusions.

Discussion

In the present study, we have aimed at elucidating the genetic background of early-onset AD and FTLN cases. We found two previously reported pathogenic mutations in our cohort of EOD. The onset of the disease was under 55 years and both patients had a positive family history of neurodegenerative diseases. The *PSEN1* p.His163Arg mutation has been found in over 20 families worldwide so far [19]. *PSEN1* mutations have commonly been associated with very early-onset AD with atypical clinical features [22,23]. Interestingly, the location of the *PSEN1* mutation appears to lead to differences in clinical manifestations. Patients with mutations before codon 200, such as the *PSEN1* p.His163Arg mutation, usually show an early onset of the disease and more frequently display generalized seizures and myoclonus, all of which were also present in the patient of our study [24]. Interestingly, the patient also suffered from vocal tics. A few previously reported *PSEN1* p.His163Arg mutation carriers have also had

visual hallucinations and parkinsonism with rigidity and bradykinesia, but these symptoms were not observed in our patient [25]. However, the fact that the mother of the *PSEN1* p.His163Arg mutation carrier had manifested parkinsonism and psychiatric symptoms suggests that she might have been a *PSEN1* p.His163Arg mutation carrier as well.

The *MAPT* p.Arg406Trp mutation has been reported in over 60 patients so far [26]. Mutations in the *MAPT* gene are typically associated with tau pathology [26]. Despite the neuropathological findings typical for FTLN, the clinical phenotypes of the patients with the *MAPT* p.Arg406Trp mutation have suggested that they rather have AD than FTLN [26]. Especially, amnesic cognitive decline has been the most frequent first symptom in patients carrying this mutation, leading to AD diagnosis in the majority of the cases [26]. This phenotype was also present in the patient of our study. In addition to cognitive decline, the patient suffered from behavioural problems and severe psychiatric symptoms. A few *MAPT* p.Arg406Trp mutation carriers have also shown parkinsonian symptoms, but these were not detected in our patient [27]. About half of the previously reported mutation carriers have had elevated levels of tau and phosphorylated tau in the CSF. However, in our patient, the CSF AD biomarkers were normal [26]. In previous cases, the median age at onset has been 55 years, which is in line with our case [26].

We also detected a *PSEN2* p.Arg71Trp mutation, the pathogenicity of which is unclear [20]. This mutation has been found both in late-onset AD (LOAD) and EOAD patients [28–31]. However, the facts that it did not appear to segregate with AD in the families of the carriers, nor did it affect the A β ₄₂/A β ₄₀ ratio in an in vitro assay, and it was also found in healthy controls suggest that it is likely a benign mutation [10,20,28]. Interestingly though, the brain biopsy of the patient in our study revealed AD-type neuropathology. There is also a previous report of severe AD-type neuropathological findings of one *PSEN2* p.Arg71Trp mutation carrier, who had an early onset, but very slowly progressive AD [31]. Patients carrying the

PSEN2 mutations have usually an onset of the disease around 60 years and the disease duration may be even 20 years further suggesting that this mutation associates with slow disease progression [24]. Allele frequency of the *PSEN2* p.Arg71Trp in the Finnish population is low (0.0195 %, Table 1). However, since it has been found also in Finnish healthy controls, it has been suggested that alone this mutation is not likely sufficient to cause AD [10]. Nevertheless, *PSEN2* p.Arg71Trp mutation might be a risk factor for AD or possibly even pathogenic with a slowly progressive course of the disease regarding that the frequency of the mutation has been reported to be higher in LOAD patients than in the general population [32] and it is possible that some of the healthy controls in the previous studies that were found to carry the *PSEN2* p.Arg71Trp mutation might have developed AD later.

We also identified *GRN* p.Arg433Trp, *PSENI* p.Glu318Gly, *MAPT* p.Gln230Arg, and *MAPT* p.Tyr441His variants that have been suggested to be benign in previous studies [19]. *PSENI* p.Glu318Gly might be a risk factor for familial AD, but the results so far are controversial [33].

Furthermore, we identified three variants, which have previously been described as possible risk variants for AD or FTLD and one variant with possible risk-reducing effect (Table 1). The carrier of the *TREM2* p.Arg62His variant had also *APOE* genotype E3/E4. *TREM2* p.Arg62His has been reported as a possible risk factor for LOAD (OR 0.8-2.3) [34] and it has also been found in a few EOAD cases [12]. The interaction of the *APOE4* allele and *TREM2* has been suggested to accelerate the development of neurodegeneration [35]. The effects of the other identified possible risk variants have been less significant [36–39]. The frequencies of these polymorphisms in our cohort did not differ from the population frequencies reported in the ExAC database. In any case, our cohort was too small to make any conclusions regarding the involvement of these variants in influencing the risk for dementia.

The key role of the *C9orf72* repeat expansion has been well demonstrated in FTLD and its prevalence is high in Finland [5–7]. In this study we focused on to search for other pathogenic

mutations and risk factors for AD and FTLD in the cohort of EOD patients of still unknown genetic background after exclusion of the *C9orf72* repeat expansion. The strength of this study is that our cohort is clinically very well-characterized, and the patients have been thoroughly examined by experienced neurologists specialized in memory disorders, increasing the validity of our results.

In conclusion, we identified two pathogenic mutations in *PSENI* and *MAPT* genes in a Finnish EOD cohort. Both identified cases had a very early onset of the disease and a positive family history of dementia or psychiatric diseases. Even though autosomal dominant mutations are rare causes of dementia, our study suggests that it is worthwhile to screen for them in EOD patients, who show an onset age under 55 years and a positive family history.

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Table 1. Identified variants in the genes associated with the risk of EOD.

Gene	chr	Reference sequence	exon	Coding	Protein change	rs code	Number of carriers	Phenotype	Allele frequency in ExAC database [40] European Finnish	Allele frequency in SiSu database [41]	Allele frequency in this dataset
<i>GRN</i>	chr17	NM_002087	exon11	c.C1297T	p.Arg433Trp	rs63750412	4	AD n=2 FTLD n=2 FTLD+MND n=1	0.0366	0.0380747	0.05128
<i>PSEN1</i>	chr14	NM_000021	exon9	c.A953G	p.Glu318Gly	rs17125721	5	AD n=2 FTLD n=2 FTLD+MND n=1	0.0358	0.0331107	0.06410
<i>MAPT</i>	chr17	NM_001123 066 NM_016835	exon6	c.A689G	p.Gln230Arg	rs63750072	3	AD n=1 FTLD n=1 PSP n=1	0.03024	0.0266384	0.03846
<i>MAPT</i>	chr17	NM_001123 066 NM_016835	exon8	c.T1321C	p.Tyr441His	rs2258689	22	AD n=17 FTLD n=3 FTLD+MND n=1	0.2895	0.27733	0.29487
<i>PSEN2</i>	chr1	NM_000447 NM_01248	exon5	c.C211T	p.Arg71Trp	rs140501902	1	AD n=1	0.0195	0.018678	0.012821
<i>TREM2</i>	chr6	NM_001271 821 NM_018965	exon2	c. G185A	p.Arg62His	rs143332484	1	AD n=1	0.007893	0.0075061 1	0.012821
<i>BIN1</i>	chr2	NM_139351	exon12	c. A1073G	p.Lys358Arg	rs138047593	2	AD n=2	0.01604	0.0137882	0.02564

UBQLN2	chrX	NM_013444	exon1	c. T1502C	p.Ile501Thr	rs756917208	1	AD n=1	no data	0.0022077 5	0.012821
TMEM10 6B	chr7	NM_001134 232	exon 4	c. G401A	p.Ser134Asn	rs147889591	3	AD n=2 FTLD+MND n=1	0.01482	0.015885	0.038462
TMEM10 6B	chr7	NM_001134 232	exon5	c. C554G	p.Thr185Ser	rs3173615	19	AD n=15 FTLD n=4	0.3293	0.319523	0.245359
APP	chr21	NM_000484 .3	splice site, intron	c. T663-7T	NA	rs183084252	1	AD n=1	0.01164	0.0094709 7	0.012821

ExAC=The Exome Aggregation Consortium, SiSu=The Sequencing Initiative Suomi, AD=Alzheimer's disease, FTLD=frontotemporal lobar degeneration, MND=motor neuron disease, PSP=progressive supranuclear palsy

Supplementary table 1. The genes included in the targeted Neurology panel of 258 genes

<i>AARS</i>	alanyl-tRNA synthetase
<i>ABCD1</i>	"ATP-binding cassette, sub-family D (ALD), member 1"
<i>ADCK3</i>	aarF domain containing kinase 3
<i>AFG3L2</i>	AFG3 ATPase family gene 3-like 2 (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)
<i>AH11</i>	Abelson helper integration site 1
<i>ALS2</i>	amyotrophic lateral sclerosis 2 (juvenile)
<i>AMN</i>	amnionless homolog (mouse)
<i>ANG</i>	"angiogenin, ribonuclease, RNase A family, 5"
<i>APOE</i>	apolipoprotein E
<i>APP</i>	amyloid beta (A4) precursor protein
<i>AR</i>	androgen receptor
<i>ARL13B</i>	ADP-ribosylation factor-like 13B
<i>ARSA</i>	arylsulfatase A
<i>ARSB</i>	arylsulfatase B
<i>ARX</i>	aristaless related homeobox
<i>ASPA</i>	aspartoacylase
<i>ASPM</i>	"asp (abnormal spindle) homolog, microcephaly associated (<i>Drosophila</i>)"
<i>ATL1</i>	atlastin GTPase 1
<i>ATM</i>	ataxia telangiectasia mutated
<i>ATP1A3</i>	"ATPase, Na ⁺ /K ⁺ transporting, alpha 3 polypeptide"
<i>ATP6AP2</i>	"ATPase, H ⁺ transporting, lysosomal accessory protein 2"
<i>ATP7A</i>	"ATPase, Cu ⁺⁺ transporting, alpha polypeptide"
<i>ATP7B</i>	"ATPase, Cu ⁺⁺ transporting, beta polypeptide"
<i>ATP13A2</i>	ATPase type 13A2

<i>ATXN1</i>	ataxin 1
<i>ATXN2</i>	ataxin 2
<i>ATXN3</i>	ataxin 3
<i>ATXN7</i>	ataxin 7
<i>ATXN8OS</i>	ATXN8 opposite strand (non-protein coding)
<i>ATXN10</i>	ataxin 10
<i>BCS1L</i>	BCS1-like (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)
<i>BINI</i>	bridging integrator 1
<i>CACNA1A</i>	"calcium channel, voltage-dependent, P/Q type, alpha 1A subunit"
<i>CC2D2A</i>	coiled-coil and C2 domain containing 2A
<i>CCT5</i>	"chaperonin containing TCP1, subunit 5 (epsilon)"
<i>CDK5RAP2</i>	CDK5 regulatory subunit associated protein 2
<i>CDKL5</i>	cyclin-dependent kinase-like 5
<i>CENPJ</i>	centromere protein J
<i>CEP152</i>	centrosomal protein 152kDa
<i>CEP290</i>	centrosomal protein 290kDa
<i>CLCN1</i>	"chloride channel, voltage-sensitive 1"
<i>CLN3</i>	"ceroid-lipofuscinosis, neuronal 3"
<i>CLN5</i>	"ceroid-lipofuscinosis, neuronal 5"
<i>CLN6</i>	"ceroid-lipofuscinosis, neuronal 6, late infantile, variant"
<i>CLN8</i>	"ceroid-lipofuscinosis, neuronal 8 (epilepsy, progressive with mental retardation)"
<i>COX10</i>	"COX10 homolog, cytochrome c oxidase assembly protein, heme A: farnesyltransferase (yeast)"
<i>CTSD</i>	cathepsin D
<i>CYP7B1</i>	"cytochrome P450, family 7, subfamily B, polypeptide 1"
<i>DLD</i>	dihydrolipoamide dehydrogenase

<i>DNAJC5</i>	"DnaJ (Hsp40) homolog, subfamily C, member 5"
<i>DNM2</i>	dynamamin 2
<i>DRG1</i>	developmentally regulated GTP binding protein 1
<i>DYNC1H1</i>	"dynein, cytoplasmic 1, heavy chain 1"
<i>EBP</i>	emopamil binding protein (sterol isomerase)
<i>EGR2</i>	early growth response 2
<i>ELN</i>	elastin
<i>EMX2</i>	empty spiracles homeobox 2
<i>EPM2A</i>	"epilepsy, progressive myoclonus type 2A, Lafora disease (laforin)"
<i>ERMAP</i>	erythroblast membrane-associated protein (Scianna blood group)
<i>ETHE1</i>	ethylmalonic encephalopathy 1
<i>FAH</i>	fumarylacetoacetate hydrolase (fumarylacetoacetase)
<i>FGD4</i>	"FYVE, RhoGEF and PH domain containing 4"
<i>FGF14</i>	fibroblast growth factor 14
<i>FGFR1</i>	fibroblast growth factor receptor 1
<i>FGFR2</i>	fibroblast growth factor receptor 2
<i>FGFR3</i>	fibroblast growth factor receptor 3
<i>FIG4</i>	"FIG4 homolog, SAC1 lipid phosphatase domain containing (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)"
<i>FLG</i>	filaggrin
<i>FMN1</i>	formin 1
<i>FOXH1</i>	forkhead box H1
<i>FOXP2</i>	forkhead box P2
<i>FUS</i>	fused in sarcoma
<i>FXN</i>	frataxin

<i>FXVD6</i>	FXVD domain containing ion transport regulator 6
<i>GALC</i>	galactosylceramidase
<i>GALNS</i>	galactosamine (N-acetyl)-6-sulfate sulfatase
<i>GARS</i>	glycyl-tRNA synthetase
<i>GAST</i>	gastrin
<i>GBA</i>	"glucosidase, beta, acid"
<i>GDAP1</i>	ganglioside induced differentiation associated protein 1
<i>GDF6</i>	growth differentiation factor 6
<i>GFAP</i>	glial fibrillary acidic protein
<i>GJB1</i>	"gap junction protein, beta 1, 32kDa"
<i>GJC2</i>	"gap junction protein, gamma 2, 47kDa"
<i>GLA</i>	"galactosidase, alpha"
<i>GLB1</i>	"galactosidase, beta 1"
<i>GLI2</i>	GLI family zinc finger 2
<i>GNE</i>	glucosamine (UDP-N-acetyl)-2-epimerase/N-acetylmannosamine kinase
<i>GNS</i>	glucosamine (N-acetyl)-6-sulfatase
<i>GPR56</i>	G protein-coupled receptor 56
<i>GSS</i>	glutathione synthetase
<i>GUSB</i>	"glucuronidase, beta"
<i>HESX1</i>	HESX homeobox 1
<i>HEXB</i>	hexosaminidase B (beta polypeptide)
<i>HGSNAT</i>	heparan-alpha-glucosaminide N-acetyltransferase
<i>HLA-B</i>	"major histocompatibility complex, class I, B"
<i>HPCA</i>	hippocalcin
<i>HPRT1</i>	hypoxanthine phosphoribosyltransferase 1
<i>HSPB1</i>	heat shock 27kDa protein 1
<i>HSPB8</i>	heat shock 22kDa protein 8

<i>HSPD1</i>	heat shock 60kDa protein 1 (chaperonin)
<i>HTRA2</i>	HtrA serine peptidase 2
<i>HTT</i>	huntingtin
<i>HYAL1</i>	hyaluronoglucosaminidase 1
<i>HYLS1</i>	hydrolethalus syndrome 1
<i>IDS</i>	iduronate 2-sulfatase
<i>IDUA</i>	"iduronidase, alpha-L-"
<i>IFRD1</i>	interferon-related developmental regulator 1
<i>IKBKAP</i>	"inhibitor of kappa light polypeptide gene enhancer in B-cells, kinase complex-associated protein"
<i>IKBKG</i>	"inhibitor of kappa light polypeptide gene enhancer in B-cells, kinase gamma"
<i>INPP5E</i>	"inositol polyphosphate-5-phosphatase, 72 kDa"
<i>ITPR1</i>	"inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate receptor, type 1"
<i>KCNC3</i>	"potassium voltage-gated channel, Shaw-related subfamily, member 3"
<i>KIAA0196</i>	KIAA0196
<i>KIF1B</i>	kinesin family member 1B
<i>KIF5A</i>	kinesin family member 5A
<i>KIF7</i>	kinesin family member 7
<i>LITAF</i>	lipopolysaccharide-induced TNF factor
<i>LMNA</i>	lamin A/C
<i>LMNB1</i>	lamin B1
<i>LRRK2</i>	leucine-rich repeat kinase 2
<i>LRSAM1</i>	leucine rich repeat and sterile alpha motif containing 1
<i>MCPH1</i>	microcephalin 1
<i>MED25</i>	mediator complex subunit 25
<i>MFN2</i>	mitofusin 2

<i>MFSD8</i>	major facilitator superfamily domain containing 8
<i>MPZ</i>	myelin protein zero
<i>MSX2</i>	msh homeobox 2
<i>MTM1</i>	myotubularin 1
<i>MTMR2</i>	myotubularin related protein 2
<i>MYH2</i>	"myosin, heavy chain 2, skeletal muscle, adult"
<i>NAGA</i>	"N-acetylgalactosaminidase, alpha-"
<i>NAGLU</i>	"N-acetylglucosaminidase, alpha"
<i>NAT6</i>	N-acetyltransferase 6 (GCN5-related)
<i>NBN</i>	nibrin
<i>NDE1</i>	nudE nuclear distribution E homolog 1 (A. nidulans)
<i>NDRG1</i>	N-myc downstream regulated 1
<i>NDUFA1</i>	"NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 1, 7.5kDa"
<i>NDUFAF2</i>	"NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, assembly factor 2"
<i>NDUFS1</i>	"NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 1, 75kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)"
<i>NDUFS4</i>	"NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 4, 18kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)"
<i>NDUFS7</i>	"NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 7, 20kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)"
<i>NDUFS8</i>	"NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 8, 23kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)"
<i>NDUFV1</i>	"NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) flavoprotein 1, 51kDa"
<i>NEFL</i>	"neurofilament, light polypeptide"
<i>NF1</i>	neurofibromin 1

<i>NF2</i>	neurofibromin 2 (merlin)
<i>NHLRC1</i>	NHL repeat containing 1
<i>NIPA1</i>	non imprinted in Prader-Willi/Angelman syndrome 1
<i>NLGN3</i>	neuroligin 3
<i>NLGN4X</i>	"neuroligin 4, X-linked"
<i>NODAL</i>	nodal homolog (mouse)
<i>NPC1</i>	"Niemann-Pick disease, type C1"
<i>NPC2</i>	"Niemann-Pick disease, type C2"
<i>NPHP1</i>	nephronophthisis 1 (juvenile)
<i>NR4A2</i>	"nuclear receptor subfamily 4, group A, member 2"
<i>NSD1</i>	nuclear receptor binding SET domain protein 1
<i>OFD1</i>	oral-facial-digital syndrome 1
<i>OPTN</i>	optineurin
<i>PARK2</i>	"parkinson protein 2, E3 ubiquitin protein ligase (parkin)"
<i>PARK7</i>	parkinson protein 7
<i>PDHA1</i>	pyruvate dehydrogenase (lipoamide) alpha 1
<i>PDYN</i>	prodynorphin
<i>PEX7</i>	peroxisomal biogenesis factor 7
<i>PHYH</i>	phytanoyl-CoA 2-hydroxylase
<i>PINK1</i>	PTEN induced putative kinase 1
<i>PMEL</i>	premelanosome protein
<i>PMPCA</i>	peptidase (mitochondrial processing) alpha
<i>PNPLA6</i>	patatin-like phospholipase domain containing 6
<i>POLG</i>	"polymerase (DNA directed), gamma"
<i>PPP2R2B</i>	"protein phosphatase 2, regulatory subunit B, beta"
<i>PPT1</i>	palmitoyl-protein thioesterase 1
<i>PQBP1</i>	polyglutamine binding protein 1

<i>PRKCG</i>	"protein kinase C, gamma"
<i>PRKRA</i>	"protein kinase, interferon-inducible double stranded RNA dependent activator"
<i>PRNP</i>	prion protein
<i>PRODH</i>	proline dehydrogenase (oxidase) 1
<i>PRODH2</i>	proline dehydrogenase (oxidase) 2
<i>PRPS1</i>	phosphoribosyl pyrophosphate synthetase 1
<i>PRX</i>	periaxin
<i>PSAP</i>	prosaposin
<i>PSEN1</i>	presenilin 1
<i>PSEN2</i>	presenilin 2 (Alzheimer disease 4)
<i>PTCH1</i>	patched 1
<i>RAB7A</i>	"RAB7A, member RAS oncogene family"
<i>RAX</i>	retina and anterior neural fold homeobox
<i>REEP1</i>	receptor accessory protein 1
<i>RELN</i>	reelin
<i>RPGRIP1L</i>	RPGRIP1-like
<i>RPS6KA3</i>	"ribosomal protein S6 kinase, 90kDa, polypeptide 3"
<i>SBF2</i>	SET binding factor 2
<i>SCO1</i>	SCO cytochrome oxidase deficient homolog 1 (yeast)
<i>SCO2</i>	SCO cytochrome oxidase deficient homolog 2 (yeast)
<i>SDHA</i>	"succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit A, flavoprotein (Fp)"
<i>9-Sep</i>	septin 9
<i>SETX</i>	senataxin
<i>SGCE</i>	"sarcoglycan, epsilon"
<i>SGSH</i>	N-sulfoglucosamine sulfohydrolase
<i>SH3TC2</i>	SH3 domain and tetratricopeptide repeats 2

<i>SHH</i>	sonic hedgehog
<i>SIX3</i>	SIX homeobox 3
<i>SLC2A1</i>	"solute carrier family 2 (facilitated glucose transporter), member 1"
<i>SLC6A4</i>	"solute carrier family 6 (neurotransmitter transporter, serotonin), member 4"
<i>SLC12A6</i>	"solute carrier family 12 (potassium/chloride transporters), member 6"
<i>SLC33A1</i>	"solute carrier family 33 (acetyl-CoA transporter), member 1"
<i>SLITRK1</i>	"SLIT and NTRK-like family, member 1"
<i>SMAD1</i>	SMAD family member 1
<i>SMN1</i>	"survival of motor neuron 1, telomeric"
<i>SMN2</i>	"survival of motor neuron 2, centromeric"
<i>SNCA</i>	"synuclein, alpha (non A4 component of amyloid precursor)"
<i>SNCAIP</i>	"synuclein, alpha interacting protein"
<i>SNRPN</i>	small nuclear ribonucleoprotein polypeptide N
<i>SOD1</i>	"superoxide dismutase 1, soluble"
<i>SP110</i>	SP110 nuclear body protein
<i>SPAST</i>	spastin
<i>SPG7</i>	spastic paraplegia 7 (pure and complicated autosomal recessive)
<i>SPG11</i>	spastic paraplegia 11 (autosomal recessive)
<i>SPG20</i>	spastic paraplegia 20 (Troyer syndrome)
<i>SPG21</i>	"spastic paraplegia 21 (autosomal recessive, Mast syndrome)"
<i>SPRED1</i>	"sprouty-related, EVH1 domain containing 1"
<i>SPTBN2</i>	"spectrin, beta, non-erythrocytic 2"
<i>STIL</i>	SCL/TAL1 interrupting locus
<i>STXBP1</i>	syntaxin binding protein 1
<i>SURF1</i>	surfeit 1

<i>SYNE1</i>	"spectrin repeat containing, nuclear envelope 1"
<i>TAAR6</i>	trace amine associated receptor 6
<i>TARDBP</i>	TAR DNA binding protein
<i>TBP</i>	TATA box binding protein
<i>TCTN1</i>	tectonic family member 1
<i>TCTN2</i>	tectonic family member 2
<i>TDP1</i>	tyrosyl-DNA phosphodiesterase 1
<i>TGFB1</i>	"transforming growth factor, beta 1"
<i>TGIF1</i>	TGFB-induced factor homeobox 1
<i>THAP1</i>	"THAP domain containing, apoptosis associated protein 1"
<i>TIMM8A</i>	translocase of inner mitochondrial membrane 8 homolog A (yeast)
<i>TMEM67</i>	transmembrane protein 67
<i>TMEM216</i>	transmembrane protein 216
<i>TOR1A</i>	"torsin family 1, member A (torsin A)"
<i>TPP1</i>	tripeptidyl peptidase I
<i>TRPV4</i>	"transient receptor potential cation channel, subfamily V, member 4"
<i>TSC1</i>	tuberous sclerosis 1
<i>TSC2</i>	tuberous sclerosis 2
<i>TTBK2</i>	tau tubulin kinase 2
<i>TTPA</i>	tocopherol (alpha) transfer protein
<i>TUBA1A</i>	"tubulin, alpha 1a"
<i>TWIST1</i>	twist homolog 1 (Drosophila)
<i>UBE3A</i>	ubiquitin protein ligase E3A
<i>UCHL1</i>	ubiquitin carboxyl-terminal esterase L1 (ubiquitin thiolesterase)
<i>VANGL1</i>	"vang-like 1 (van gogh, Drosophila)"
<i>VAPB</i>	VAMP (vesicle-associated membrane protein)-associated protein B and C

<i>VCP</i>	valosin containing protein
<i>WDR62</i>	WD repeat domain 62
<i>ZFYVE26</i>	"zinc finger, FYVE domain containing 26"
<i>ZFYVE27</i>	"zinc finger, FYVE domain containing 27"
<i>ZIC2</i>	Zic family member 2

Supplementary table 2. The additional genes included in the analyse

Chromosome	Start position
APP, chr21	27252861-27543138
PSEN1, chr14	73603525-73690399
PSEN2, chr1	227058273-227083804
MAPT, chr17	762281-895830
GRN, chr17	42422491-42430470
VCP, chr9	35057373-35071974
CHMP2B, chr3	87276413-87304698
FUS, chr16	31191431-31194671
TARDBP, chr1	11072679-11085549
TREM2, chr6	41126246-41130922
TMEM106B, chr7	12250848-12276890
SNCA, chr4	90743397-90758348
PARK2, chr6	161768590-163148834
PARK7, chr1	8021714-8045342
LRRK2, chr12	40689229-40763086
PINK1, chr1	20972001-20978004
CSF1R, chr5	149456467-149466170
PRNP, chr20	4679867-4680628
UBQLN2, chrX	56590060-56592380
Profilin1, chr17	4848947-4851825
SOD1, chr21	33031935-33041243
UBQLN1, chr9	86274878-86323168