

Genetics of Intellectual Disability and Autism: possibilities and limitations

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ID definition



Definition: intellectual disability

Intellectual disability means a significantly reduced ability to understand new or complex information and to learn and apply new skills (impaired intelligence). This results in a reduced ability to cope independently (impaired social functioning), and begins before adulthood, with a lasting effect on development.

Disability depends not only on a child's health conditions or impairments but also and crucially on the extent to which environmental factors support the child's full participation and inclusion in society.

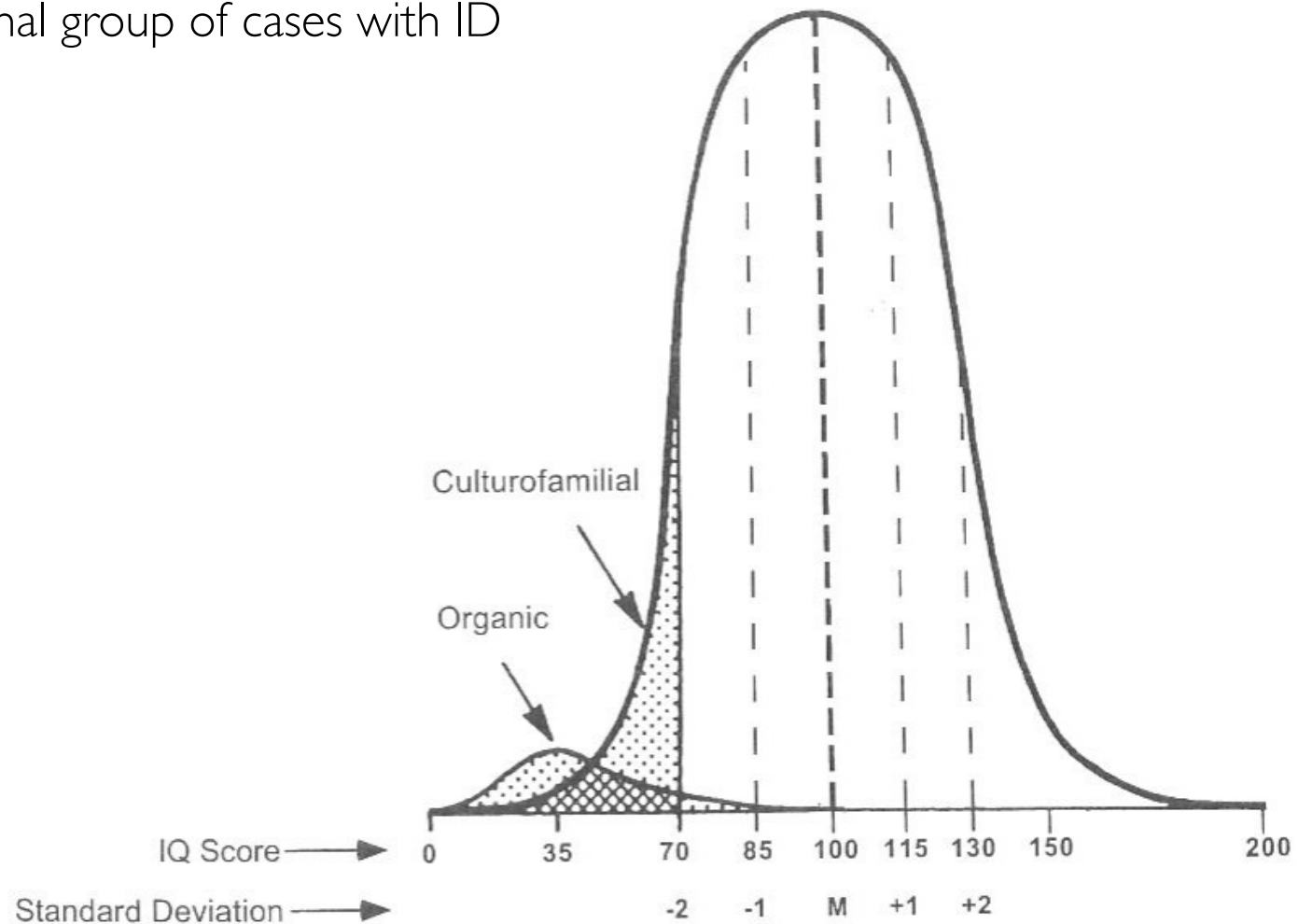
The use of the term intellectual disability in the context of the WHO initiative "Better health, better lives" includes children with autism who have intellectual impairments. It also encompasses children who have been placed in institutions because of perceived disabilities or family rejection and who consequently acquire developmental delays and psychological problems.

Epidemiology

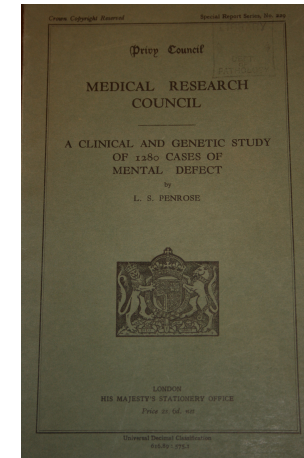
- Intellectual disability is common and affects 1-2 % population
- Developmental delay is the commonest referral reason to paediatric clinical genetics services
- Etiology is poorly understood
- In some families there is a clear X linked inheritance pattern where males are affected and it is inherited through unaffected or mildly affected females
- <90% of cases there is no family history

Epidemiology

- IQ has a normal distribution but IQ < 50 presence of additional group of cases with ID



Epidemiology



Males excess 1.3:1

Penrose LS 1938 1280 inpatients

<i>Severity</i>	<i>IQ</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>M:F</i>
Profound	<20	1166	964	1.21
Severe	20–34	835	610	1.37
Moderate	35–49	833	619	1.35
Mild	50–70	1130	841	1.34
Borderline/low normal	>70	180	107	1.68

- Replicated in multiple studies internationally

South Carolina Institutions

Anderson et al 1996

<i>Causation</i>	<i>Age < 20 Years IQ < 50</i>	<i>Age > 19 Years IQ < 50</i>
1 Chromosomal	123 (10.5)*	568 (15.1)
2 Single gene	113 (9.6)	238 (6.3)
3 Multifactorial	35 (3.0)	34 (0.9)
4 Culturofamilial	63 (5.4)	108 (2.9)
5 Known syndrome	30 (2.6)	55 (1.5)
6 Other genetic	10 (0.9)	45 (1.2)
7 Injury, prenatal	3 (0.3)	17 (0.5)
8 Injury, perinatal	69 (5.9)	153 (4.1)
9 Injury, postnatal	30 (2.6)	76 (2.0)
10 Infection, prenatal	17 (1.4)	44 (1.2)
11 Infection, perinatal	15 (1.3)	12 (0.3)
12 Infection, postnatal	53 (4.5)	230 (6.1)
13 Chemical, prenatal	24 (2.0)	12 (0.3)
14 Chemical, perinatal	3 (0.3)	17 (0.5)
15 Chemical, postnatal	1 (0.1)	15 (0.4)
16 Prematurity	111 (9.4)	91 (2.4)
17 Other environmental	9 (0.8)	12 (0.3)
18 Unknown	467 (39.7)	2046 (54.2)
Total	1176†	3773

Factor that influence intellectual development

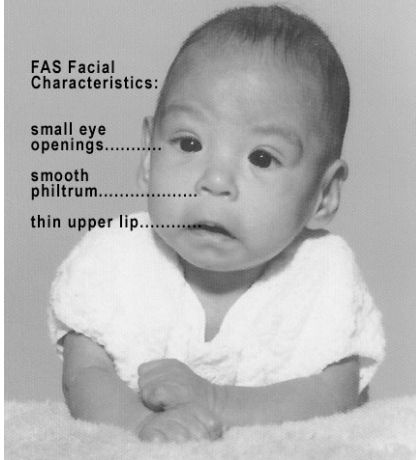
- Environmental
 - Prenatal, perinatal and postnatal infections (rubella, CNV, measles, toxoplasmosis and sepsis)
 - Drug exposure (fetal alcohol, valproate)
 - Diet (PKU, inborn errors of metabolism)
 - Prematurity
- Genetics variation
 - High penetrant aberrations of genetic material
 - Chromosomal anomalies trisomy 21, deletions
 - Copy Number Variants
 - Single gene defects
 - Genetic modifiers of disease severity
 - Culturofamilial factors e.g. parental IQ is a strong predictor within the normal range
 - Polygenic
 - Genetics modifiers of monogenic disease

Fetal Alcohol

Baby with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

FAS Facial Characteristics:

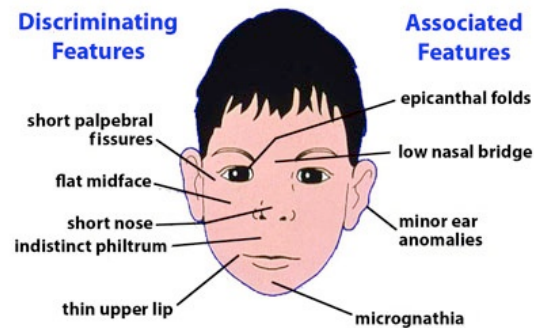
small eye openings.....
smooth philtrum.....
thin upper lip.....



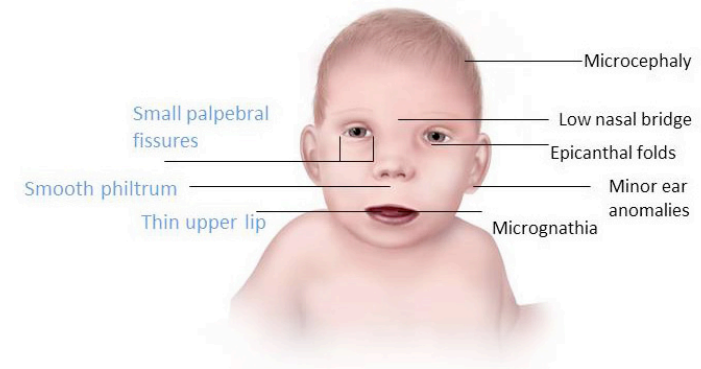
Faces in Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

Discriminating Features

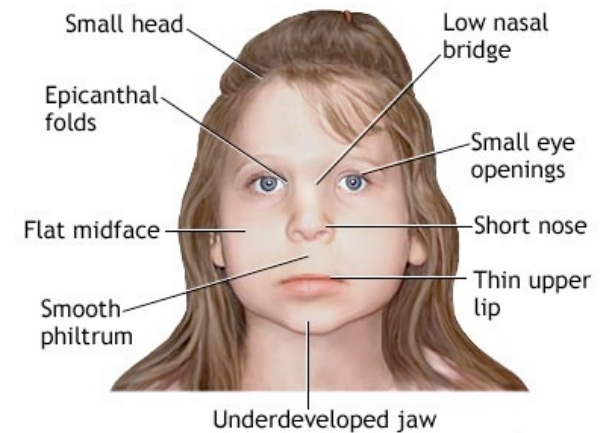
Associated Features



In The Young Child



Toxin during key stages of development
Generally affects all organs
Characteristic face
Poor concentration
Poor intellectual development
Poor growth



Photomontage Fetal alcohol



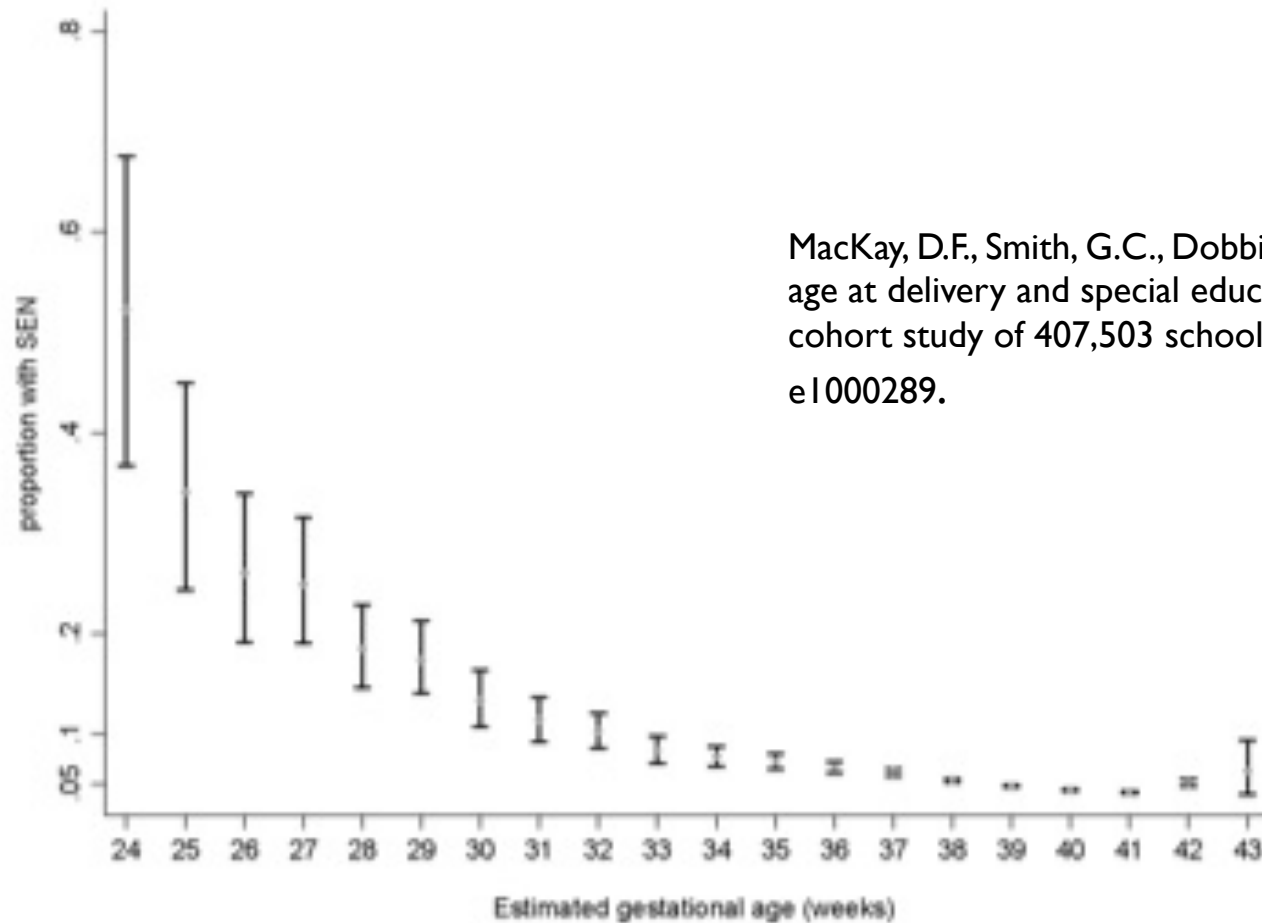
Fetal Valproate



Spina bifida 30X population risk

Clinical features: epicanthic folds; infraorbital groove; medial deficiency of the eyebrows; flat nasal bridge; short nose with anteverted nares; smooth or shallow philtrum; long thin upper lip; thick lower lip; small, downturned mouth; spina bifida; cardiac malformations; neurodevelopmental delay

Special educational need as a function of gestation

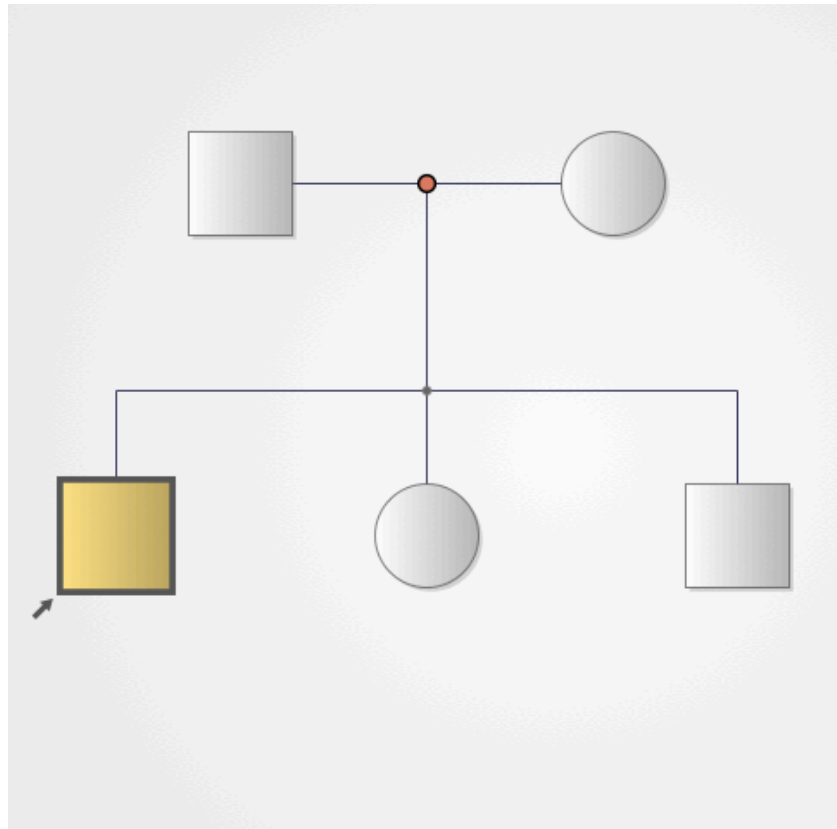


MacKay, D.F., Smith, G.C., Dobbie, R. & Pell, J.P. Gestational age at delivery and special educational need: retrospective cohort study of 407,503 schoolchildren. *PLoS Med* **7**, e1000289.

Empiric recurrence risks (IQ <50)

<i>Reference</i>	<i>Male IP</i>			<i>Female IP</i>		
	<i>Brother</i>	<i>Sister</i>	<i>All sibs</i>	<i>Brother</i>	<i>Sister</i>	<i>All sibs</i>
Turner et al 1971			2-9%			3.5-4%
Bundey et al 1974	6.7%	3.2%	5%	4.4%	6.3%	5.4%
Herbst et al 1982	6%	2.3%	4.3%	2.9%	5.6%	4.2%
Bundey et al 1986	10%	5%	7.5%			
Costeff et al 1987	14%	14%	14%	8.5%	9.6%	9.2%
	6-14%	2-14%		3-8%		

Mechanism of Disease



- Environmental
- Genomics CNV abnormality
- X linked recessive
- Autosomal recessive
- De novo autosomal dominant

Population Genetics

- Frequency of a disease in the population depends on
 - New mutation rate
 - Reproductive lethality
 - Sustainability of the disease in the population
 - Degree of relatedness of parents
- Familial conditions tend to be those that do not affect fertility
- Conditions that do affect fertility tend to be new mutations or recessive where parents are unaffected

Is the male excess due to X linked disease

- ARX data 6.6% mutation in families which were research families and phenotypically variable with syndromic and non-syndromic (3.5-12.1 95%CI)
- 0.13% in sporadic males with non-syndromic disease (≤ 0.45)
- If the males excess is due to XLMR then mutations should be 1.6% in sporadic cohort if the 30% male excess is due to XLMR
- Observed rates are more in keeping with 10% of male excess is XLID

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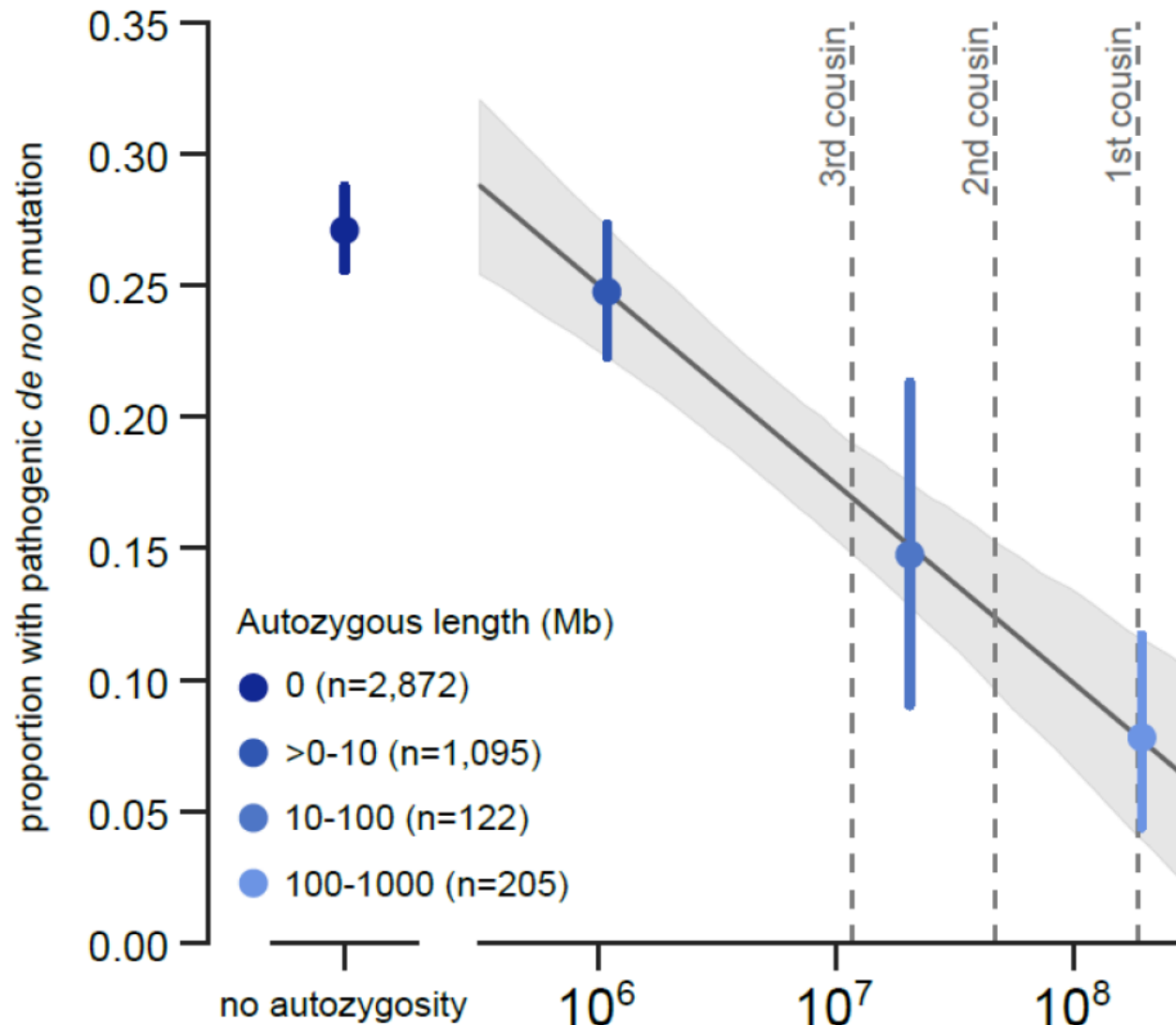


NEWS AND COMMENTARY

Monogenic X-linked mental retardation: Is it as frequent as currently estimated? The paradox of the ARX (Aristaless X) mutations

Jean-Louis Mandel^{*,1,3} and Jamel Chelly²

De novo rates in consanguinous families



Restoring reproductive confidence in families with X-linked intellectual disability by finding the causal mutation

Carrier status Knowledge	No. women	Reproductive Years *	Women with children (%)	Women with no children (%)	Sons (no. affected)	Daughters	Offspring/ reproductive Year ‡
At risk	48	673	16 (33)	32 (66)	8(2)	17 #	1 in 27
Not a Carrier	23	123	18(78)	5 (21)	11(0)	7 §	1 in 6
Carrier	19	181	16(84)	3 (16)	11(2)	13 ☼	1 in 7

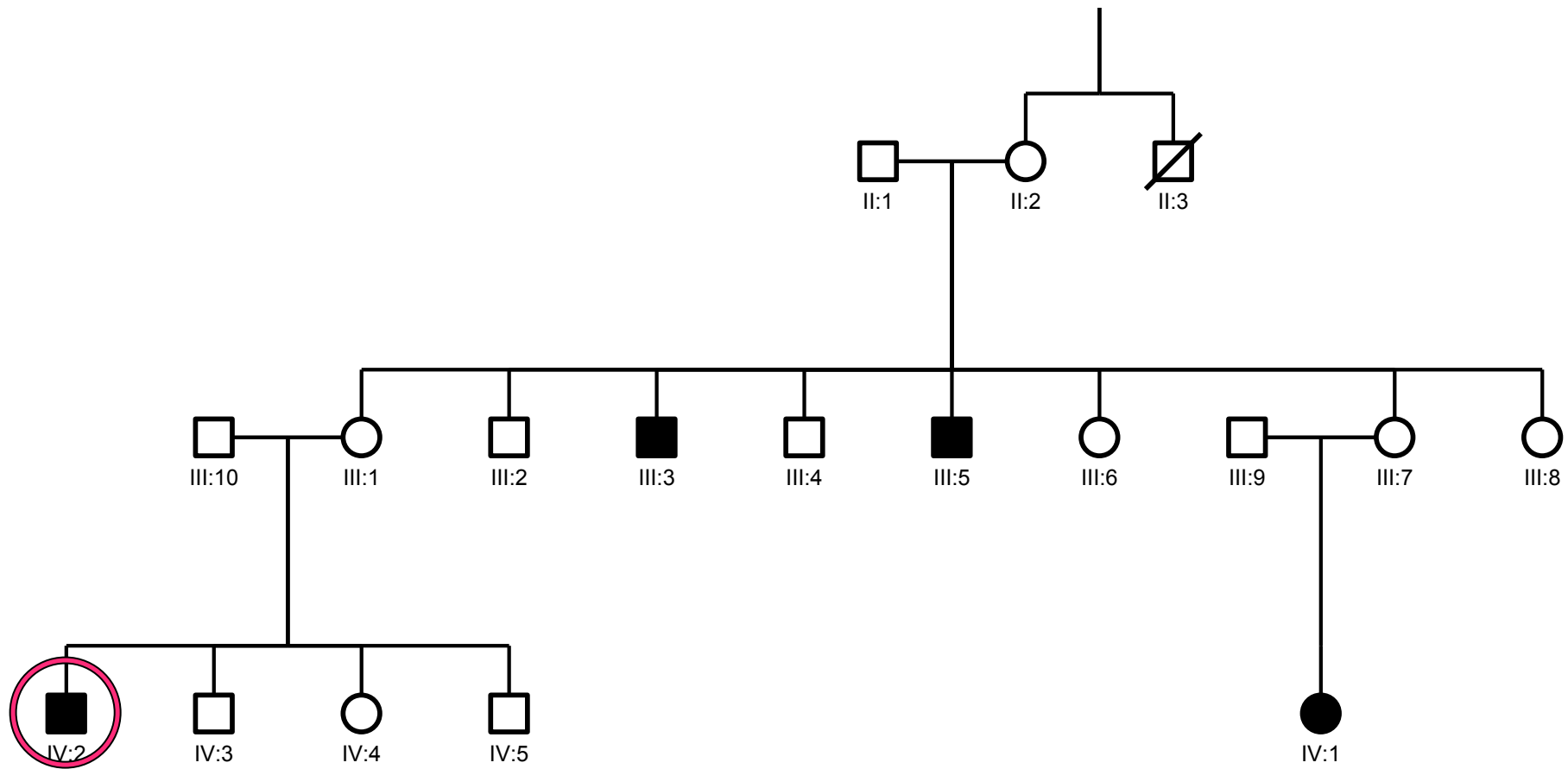
‡ **average rate in NSW = 1 in 11**; † for differences pre and post tests, $X^2 = 20.67$, df 2, $p < .0005$;

§ plus 4 pregnancies, sex unknown; ☼ plus 1 pregnancy, sex unknown

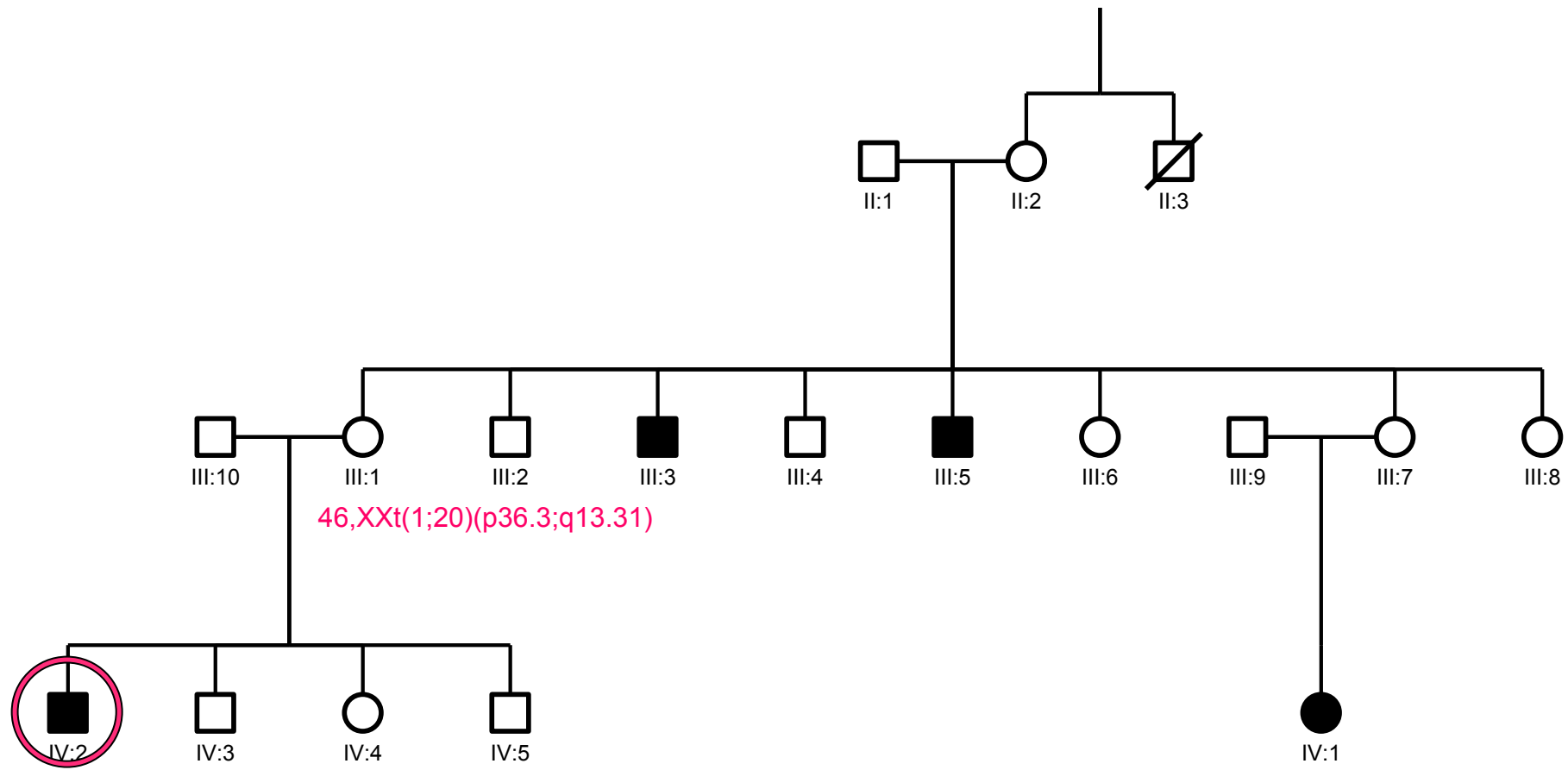
Investigation of a child with intellectual disability

- Pedigree
- Karyotype
- Microarray analysis <4 Mb resolution
- X inactivation pattern
- Selective gene analysis for specific syndromes

X-linked intellectual disability ?



G-banding



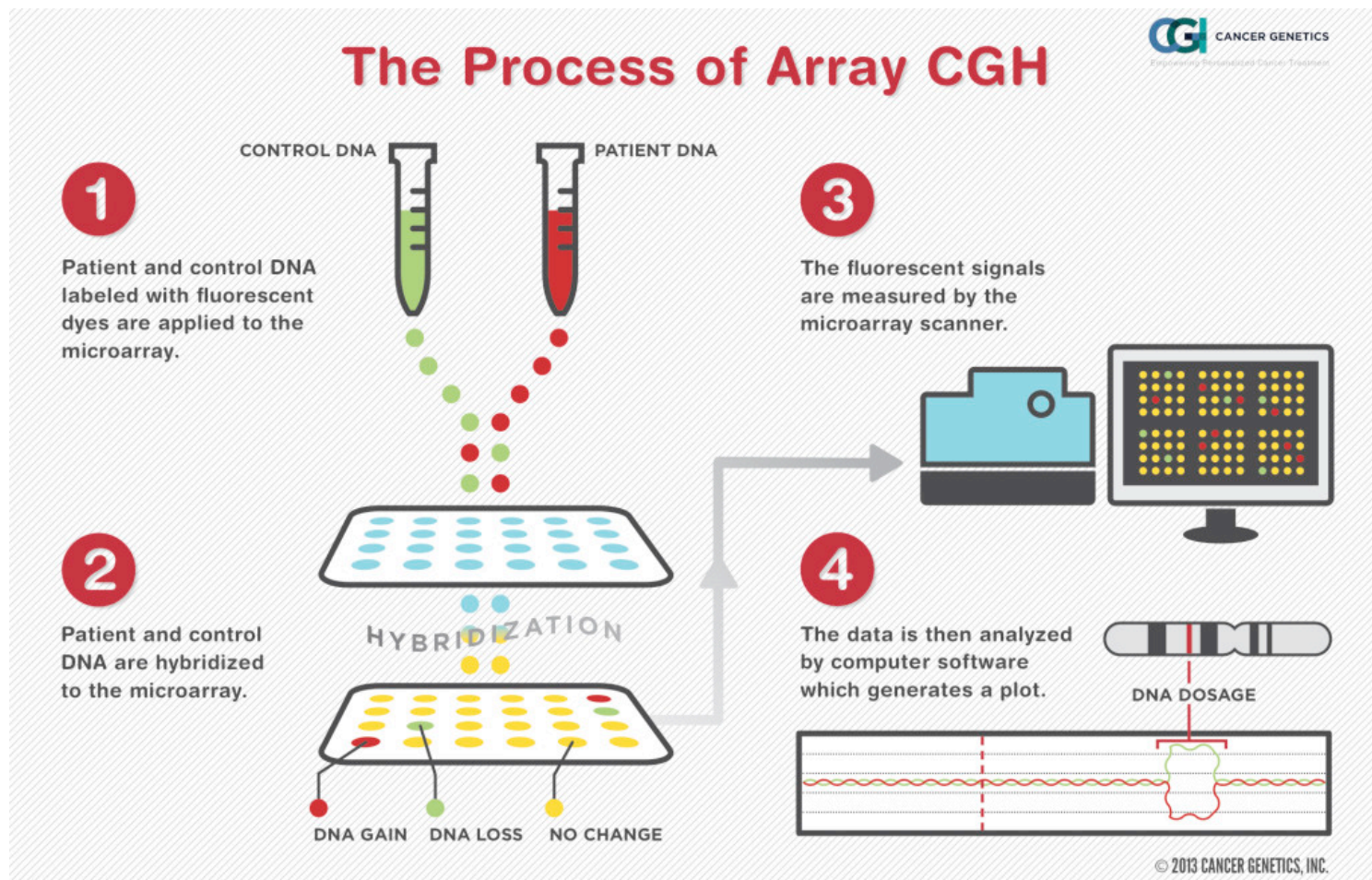
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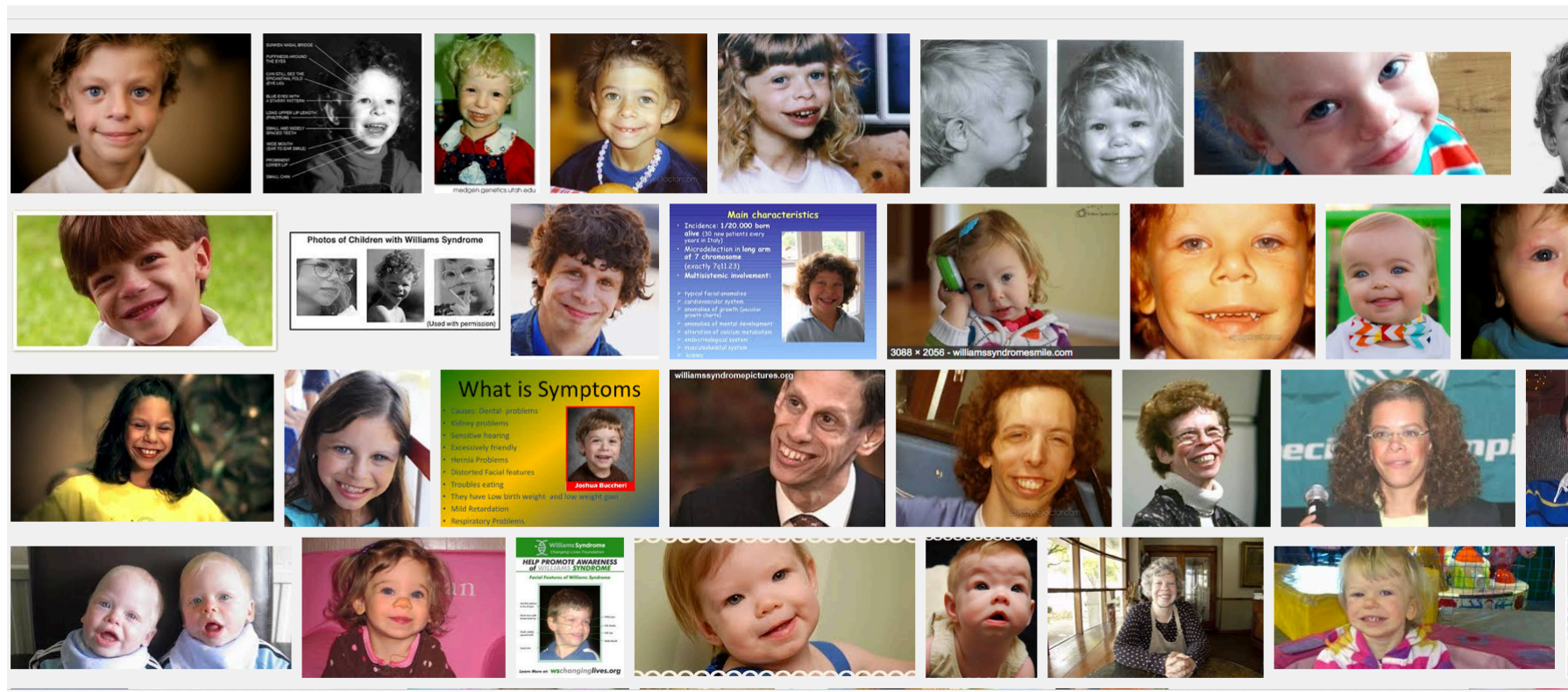
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Array CGH

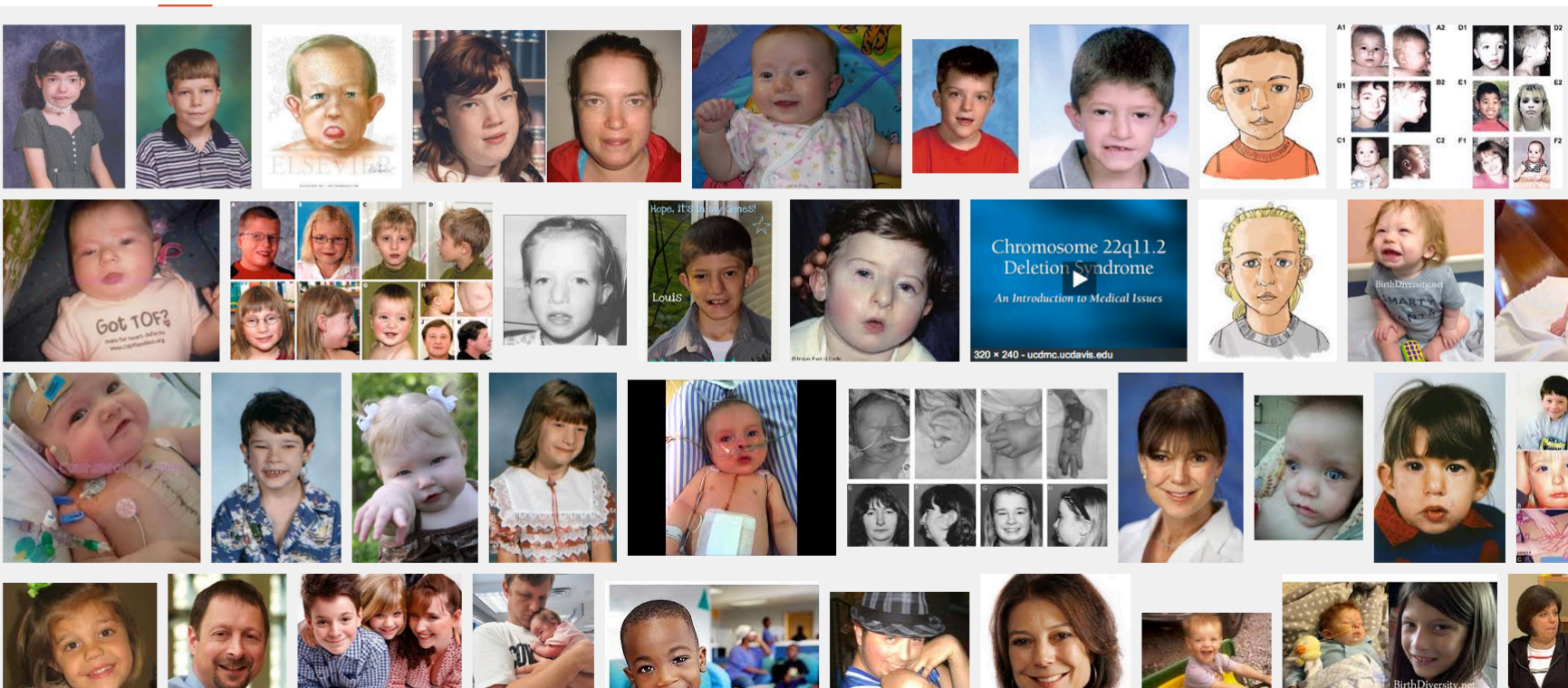


Williams syndrome



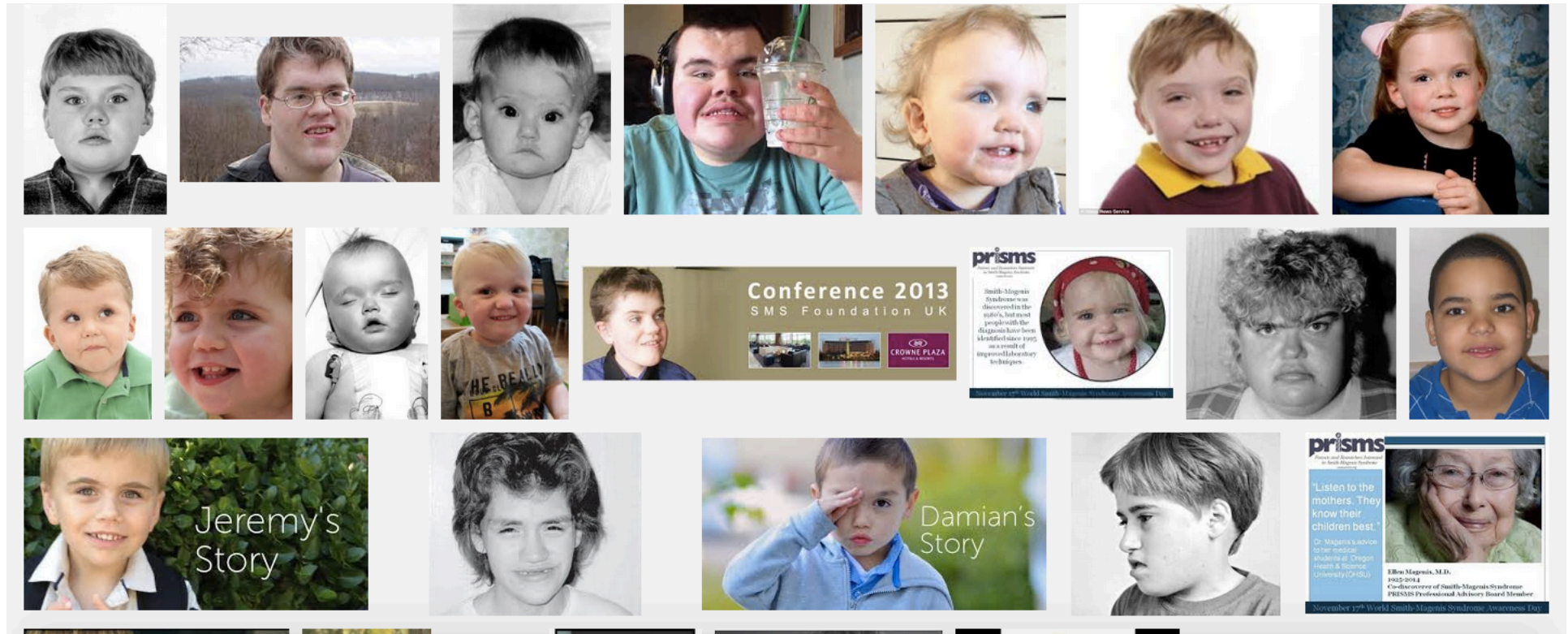
22q11 syndrome

Cardiac; thymus aplasia; immunodeficiency; velopharyngeal insufficiency; learning disability

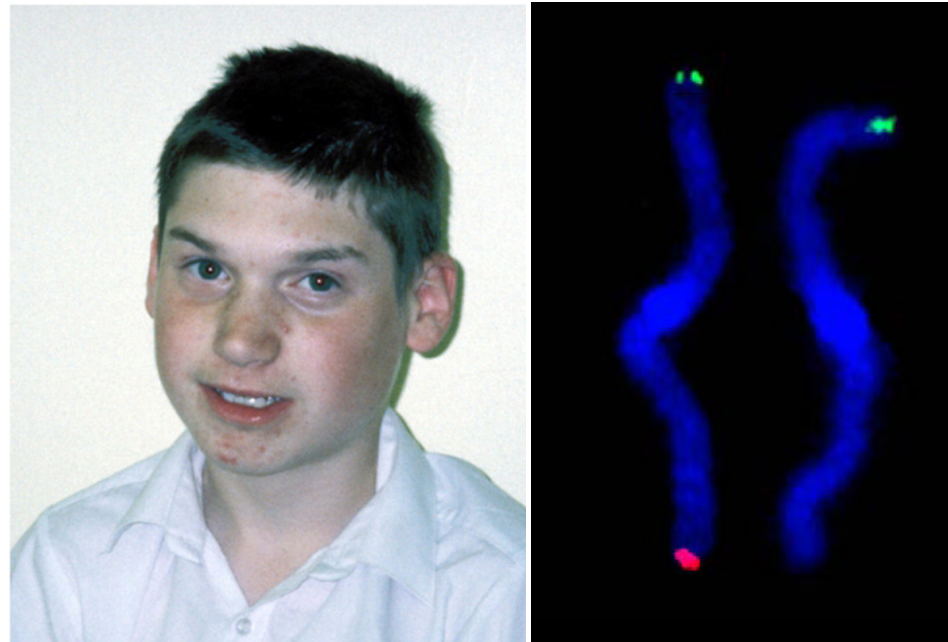
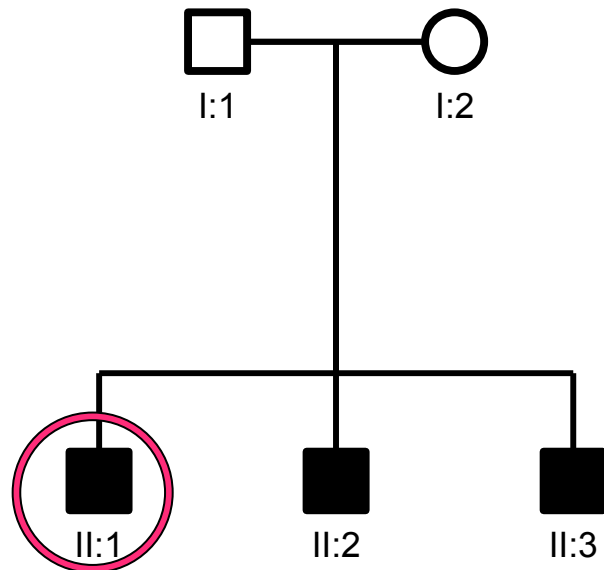


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Smith Magenis syndrome



Diagnosis of 3q29 deletion



- de novo 3q29 deletion
- remember over ascertainment is common

3q29 deletion genome first diagnostics

3q29 Microdeletion Syndrome: Clinical and Molecular Characterization of a New Syndrome

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

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Novel Features of 3q29 Deletion Syndrome: Results From the 3q29 Registry

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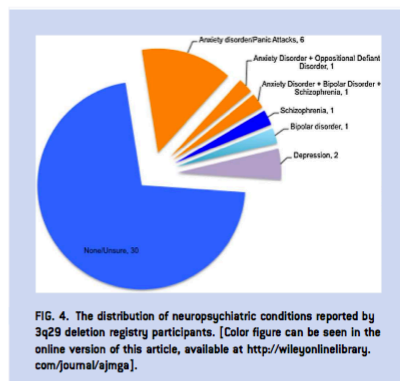
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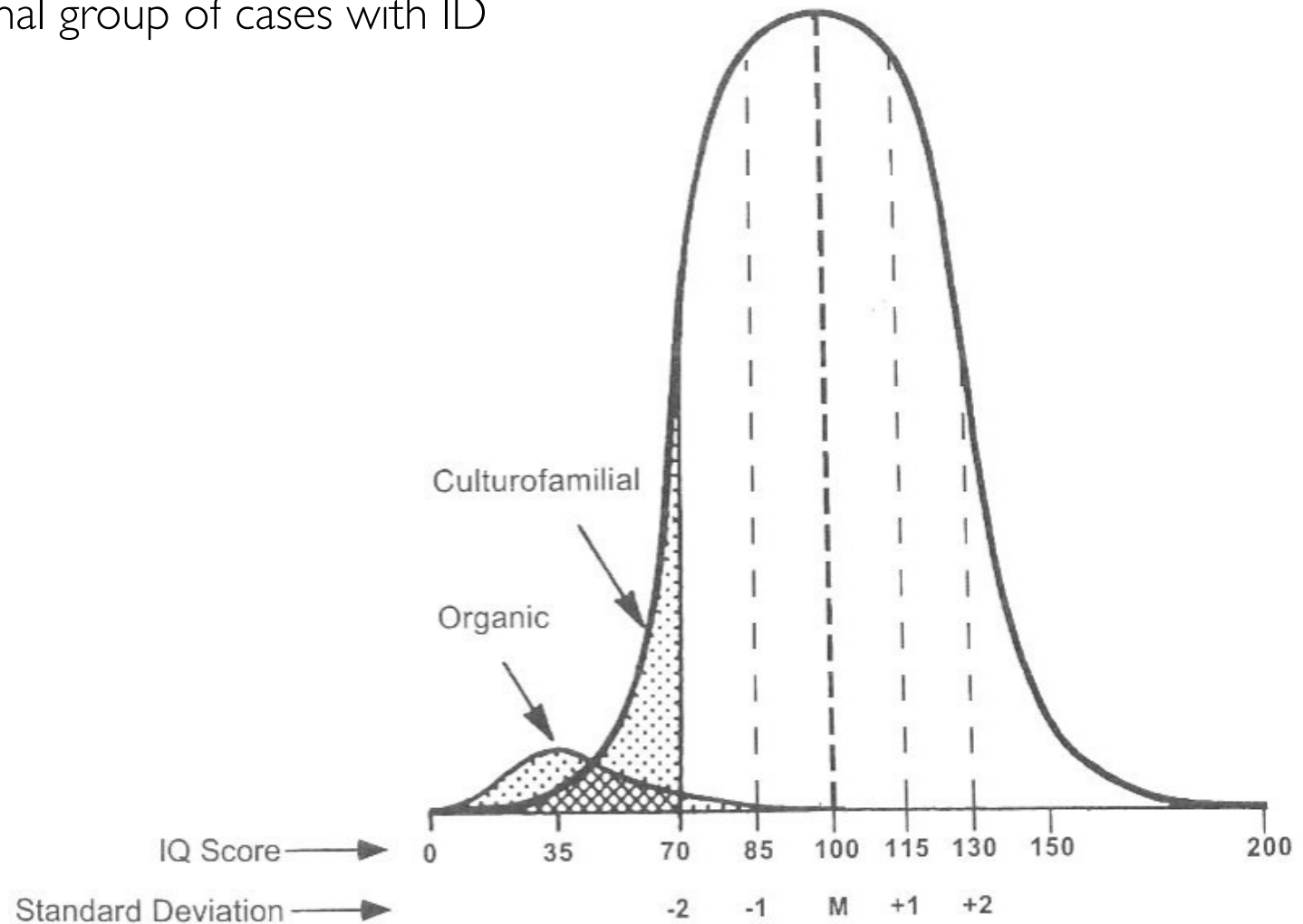


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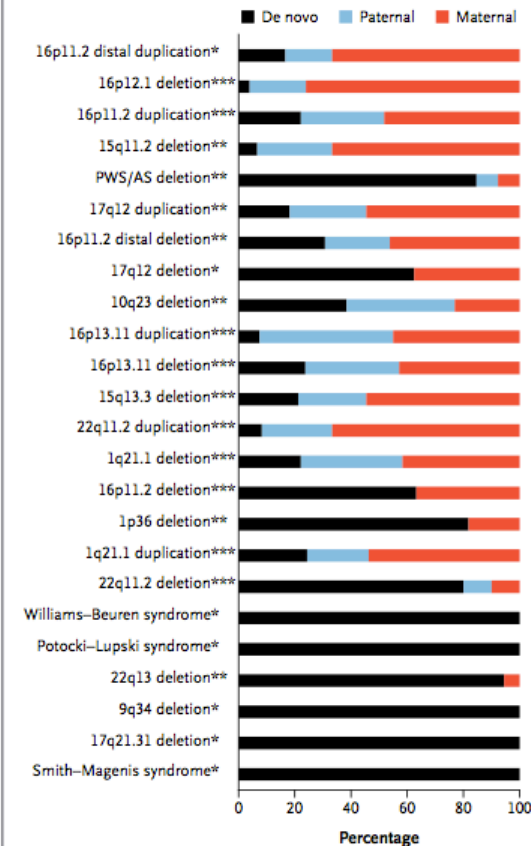
- The likelihood that the genotype will predict the phenotype
- High penetrant variants
 - Rare
 - Mendelian disease
 - More likely to be *de novo*
- Reduced penetrance
 - Associated with disease rather than necessarily completely predictive or causative and also present in unaffected cases individuals
 - More likely to be inherited
 - Less severe

Epidemiology

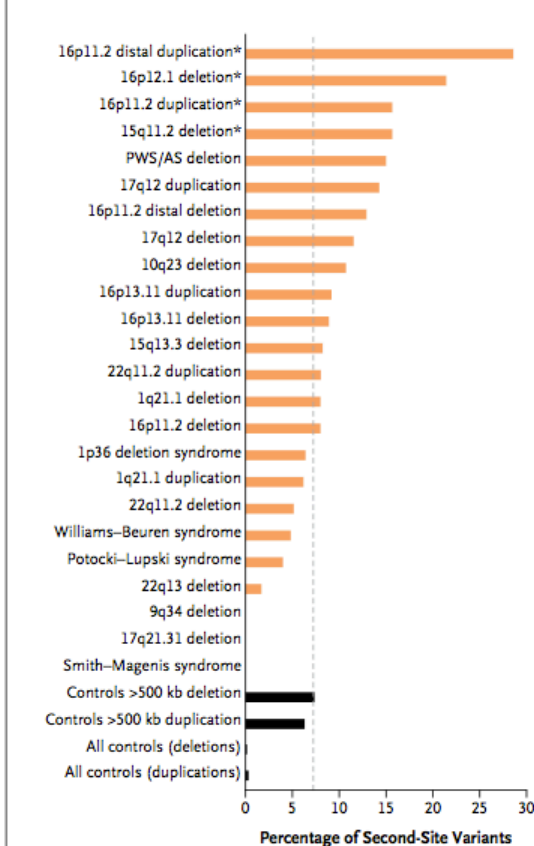
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A Origin of Variants



B Frequency of Second-Site Variants



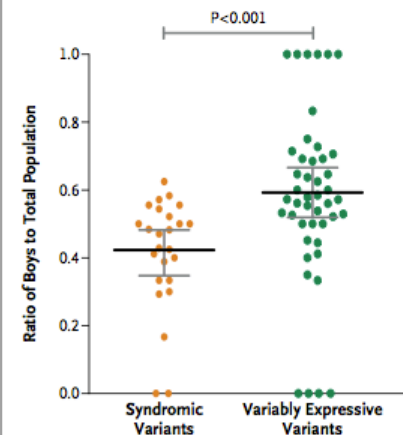
Phenotypic Heterogeneity of Genomic Disorders and Rare Copy-Number Variants

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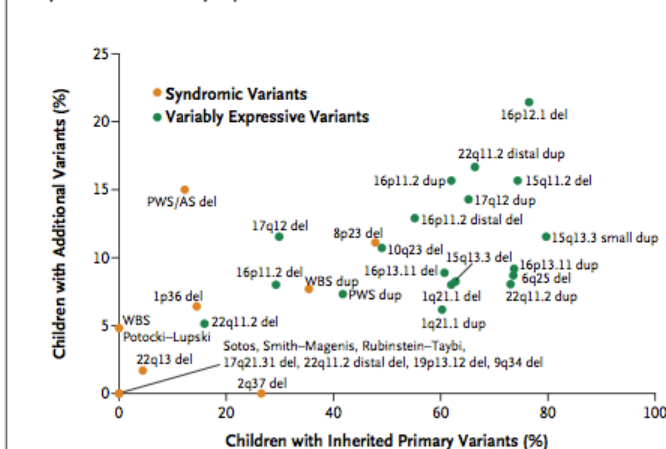
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- Penetrance of CNVs depends on the nature of the CNV
- 10% have additional CNV
- Reduced penetrant CNV give a phenotype in proportion to the size and number of additional CNVs
- Male genome is more susceptible to CNVs
- Analysis 2,312 / 32,587 sample set

A Sex Bias in Genomic Disorders



B Syndromic and Variably Expressive Variants



Original Investigation

Defining the Effect of the 16p11.2 Duplication on Cognition, Behavior, and Medical Comorbidities

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IMPORTANCE The 16p11.2 BP4-BP5 duplication is the copy number variant most frequently associated with autism spectrum disorder (ASD), schizophrenia, and comorbidities such as decreased body mass index (BMI).

OBJECTIVES To characterize the effects of the 16p11.2 duplication on cognitive, behavioral, medical, and anthropometric traits and to understand the specificity of these effects by systematically comparing results in duplication carriers and reciprocal deletion carriers, who are also at risk for ASD.

DESIGN, SETTING, AND PARTICIPANTS This international cohort study of 1006 study participants compared 270 duplication carriers with their 102 intrafamilial control individuals, 390 reciprocal deletion carriers, and 244 deletion controls from European and North American cohorts. Data were collected from August 1, 2010, to May 31, 2015 and analyzed

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RESULTS Among the 1006 study participants, the duplication was associated with a mean FSIQ score that was lower by 26.3 points between proband carriers and noncarrier relatives and a lower mean FSIQ score (16.2-11.4 points) in nonproband carriers. The mean overall effect of the deletion was similar (-22.1 points; $P < .001$). However, broad variation in FSIQ was found, with a 19.4- and 2.0-fold increase in the proportion of FSIQ scores that were very low (≤ 40) and higher than the mean (> 100) compared with the deletion group ($P < .001$). Parental FSIQ predicted part of this variation (approximately 36.0% in hereditary probands). Although the frequency of ASD was similar in deletion and duplication proband carriers (16.0% and 20.0%, respectively), the FSIQ was significantly lower (by 26.3 points) in the duplication probands with ASD. There also were lower head circumference and BMI measurements among duplication carriers, which is consistent with the findings of previous studies.

CONCLUSIONS AND RELEVANCE The mean effect of the duplication on cognition is similar to that of the reciprocal deletion, but the variance in the duplication is significantly higher, with severe and mild subgroups not observed with the deletion. These results suggest that additional genetic and familial factors contribute to this variability. Additional studies will be necessary to characterize the predictors of cognitive deficits.

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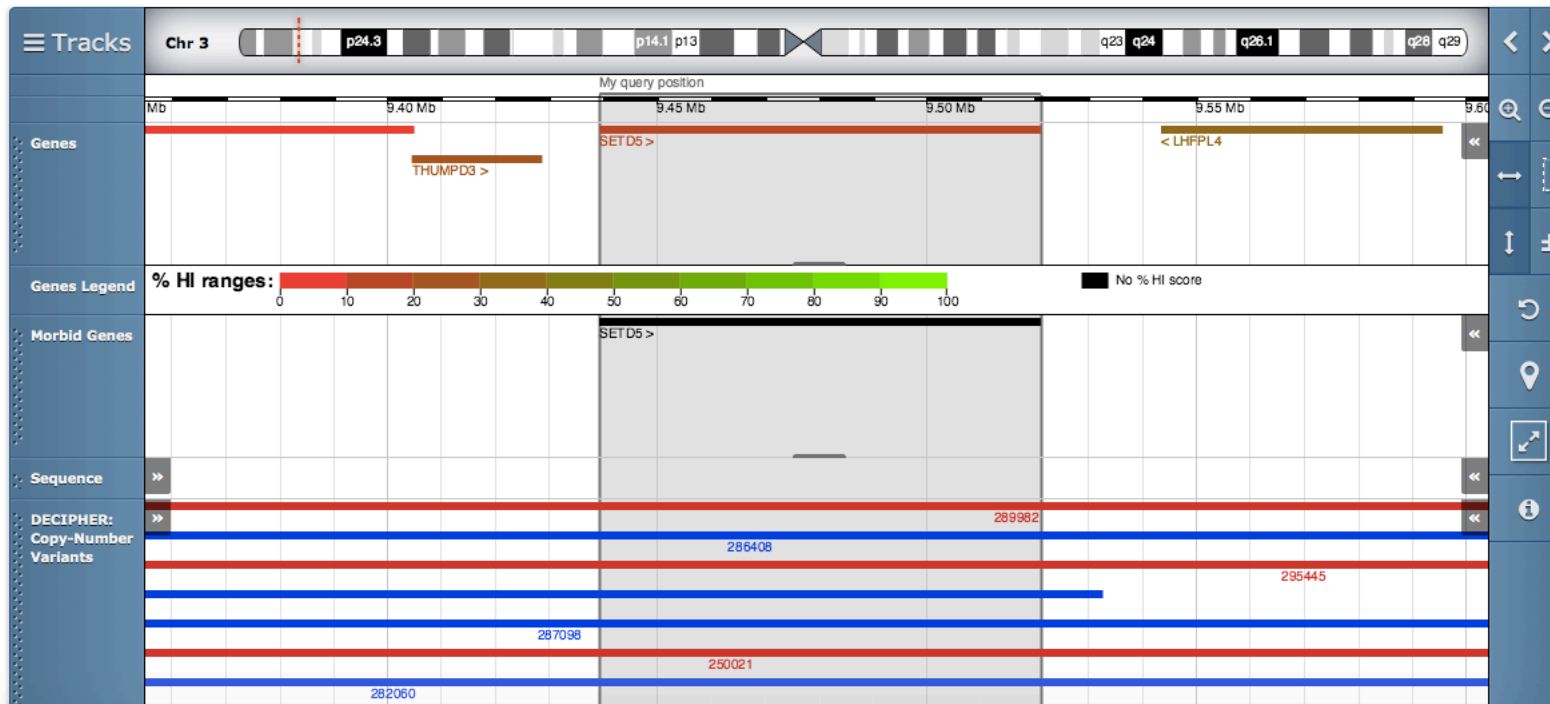
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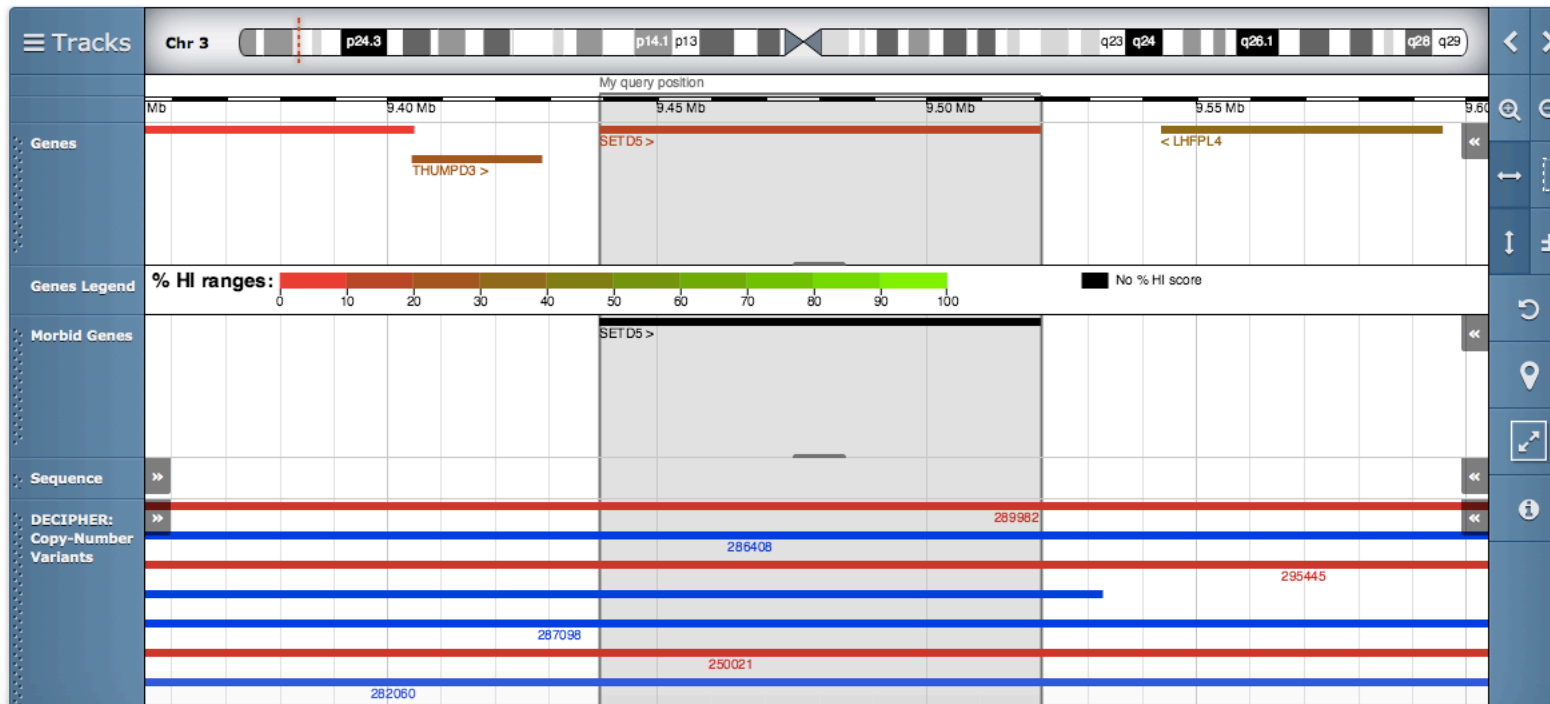


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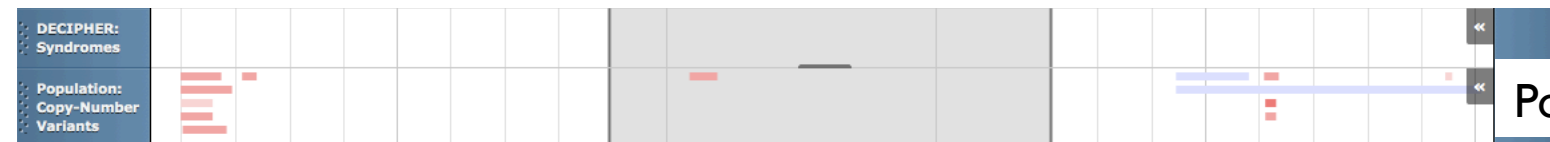
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Population CNVs

Fine-Scale Survey of X Chromosome Copy Number Variants and Indels Underlying Intellectual Disability

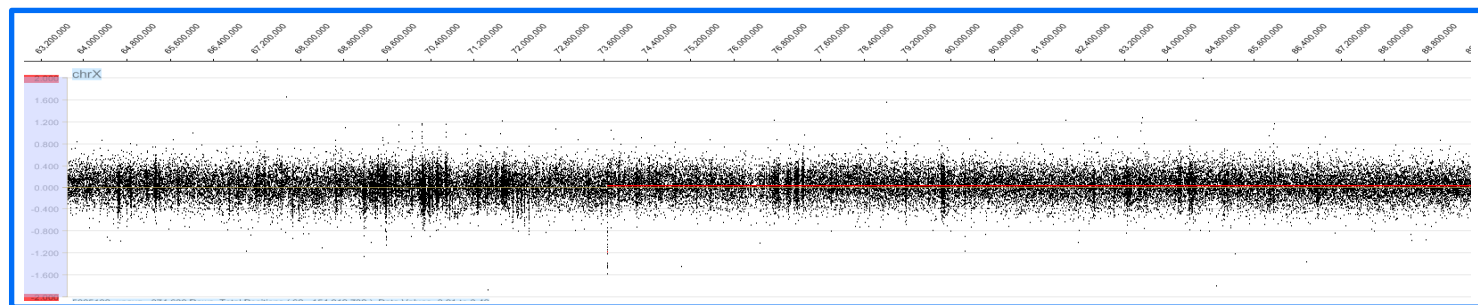
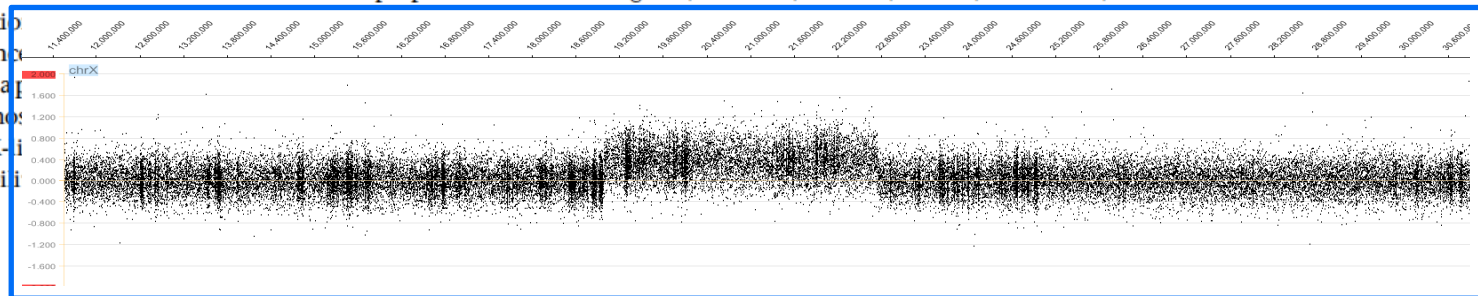
Single gene/exon resolution

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Copy number variants and indels in 251 families with evidence of X-linked intellectual disability (XLID) were investigated by array comparative genomic hybridization on a high-density oligonucleotide X chromosome array platform. We identified pathogenic copy number variants in 10% of families, with mutations ranging from 2 kb to 11 Mb in size. The challenge of assessing causality was facilitated by prior knowledge of XLID-associated genes and the ability to test for cosegregation of variants with disease through extended pedigrees. Fine-scale analysis of rare variants in XLID families leads us to propose four additional genes, *PTCHD1*, *WDR13*, *FAAH2*, and *GSPT2*, as

candidates for XLID causation. We also identified apparent disease consequences, including copy number changes, mechanisms and indicated areas for further investigations and X chromosome copy number coding variants and non-X-linked variants.

Genetics of Learning Disabilities



Copy number abnormalities on the X chromosome

Detection of Genomic Copy Number Changes in Patients With Idiopathic Mental Retardation by High-Resolution X-Array-CGH: Important Role for Increased Gene Dosage of *XLMR* Genes

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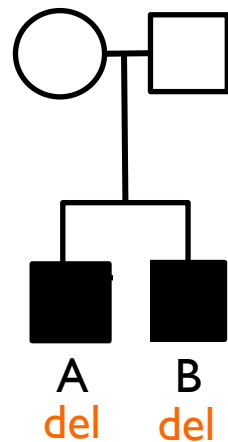
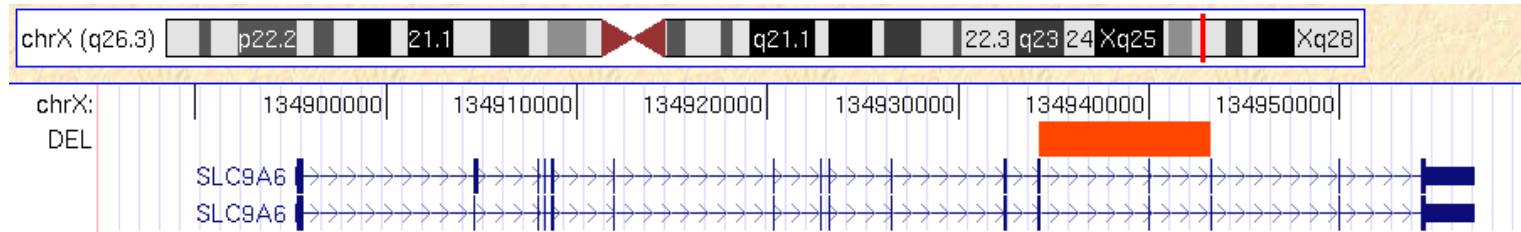
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Fine-Scale Survey of X Chromosome Copy Number Variants and Indels Underlying Intellectual Disability

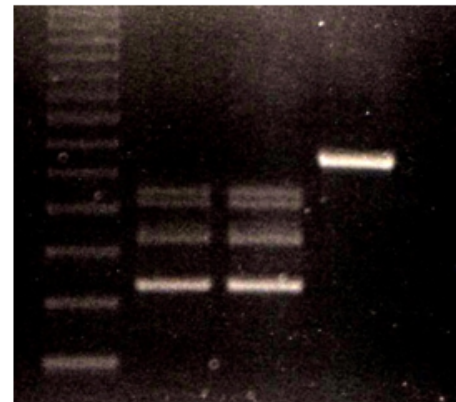
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- 10-15% of cases have significant deletion or duplication
- MECP2 and HUUWE1 regions are the commonest
- Find single exon deletions are detectable with high resolution array

SLC9A6 / NHE6



RT-PCR: A B WT



Exon 10 11 12 13 14 15



cDNA



REPORT

SLC9A6 Mutations Cause X-Linked Mental Retardation, Microcephaly, Epilepsy, and Ataxia, a Phenotype Mimicking Angelman Syndrome

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Family 115
Always moving
ataxic
Shy
No speech
Toileted
Microcephaly

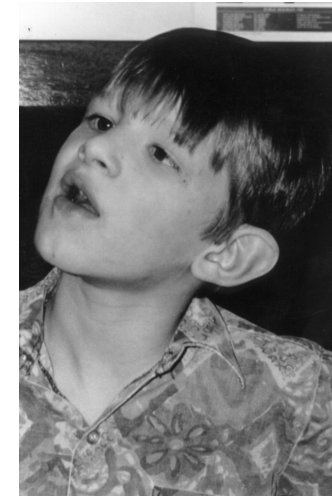
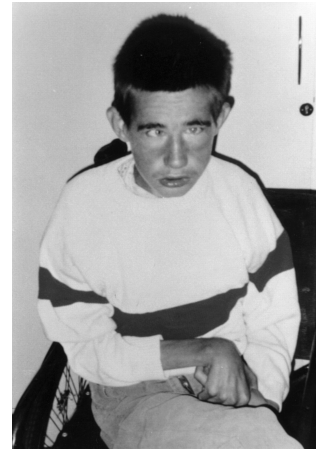
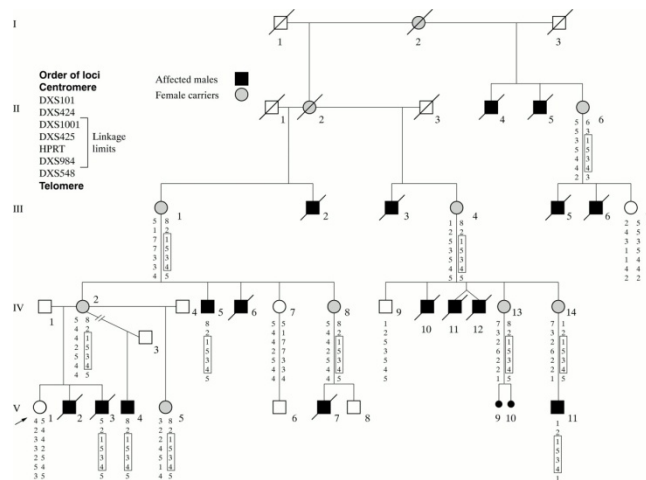
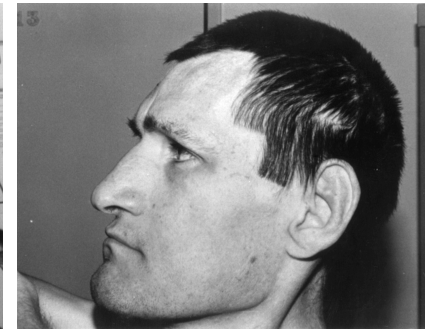
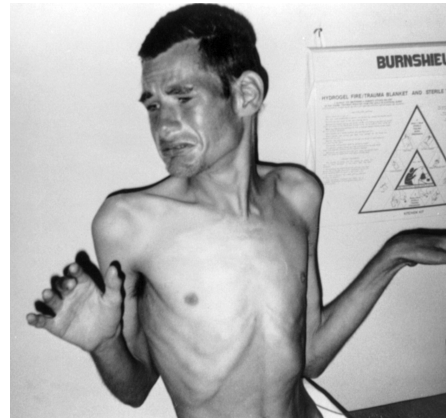


Family 115
Microcephaly
No speech
Wheelchair from aged 15
Previously very mobile
Incontinent
Kyphoscoliosis
Flexed hand postures
Moving hands

Christianson syndrome

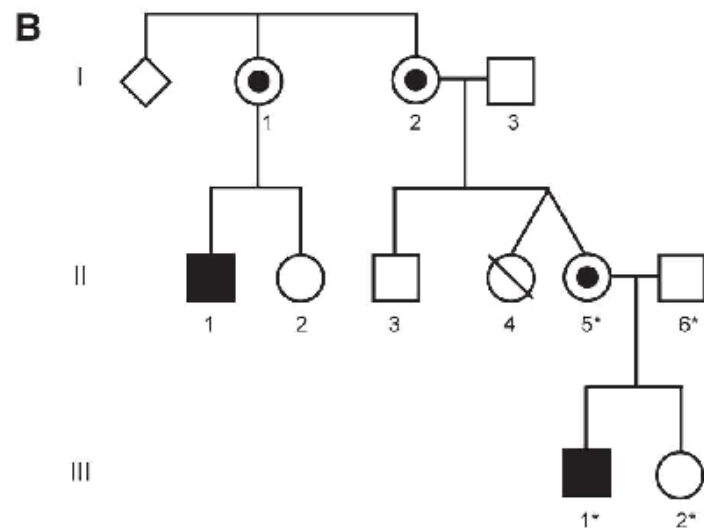
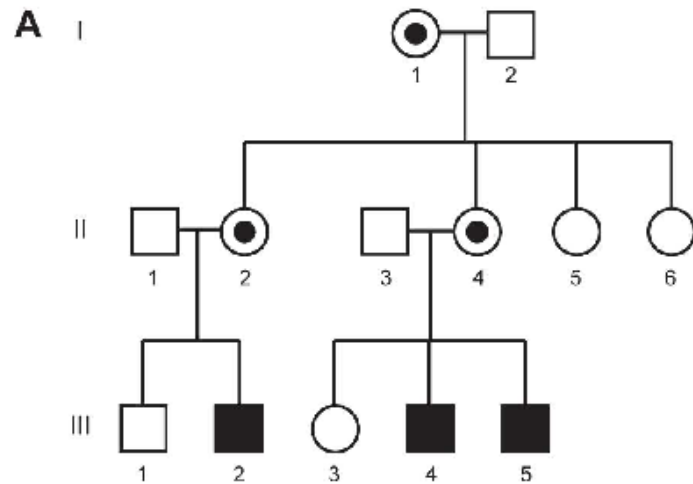
GOLD 227

2bp deletion HI7Ifs X



Christianson et al (1999) JMG 36 759-766

Swedish and Norwegian families



E255_256del

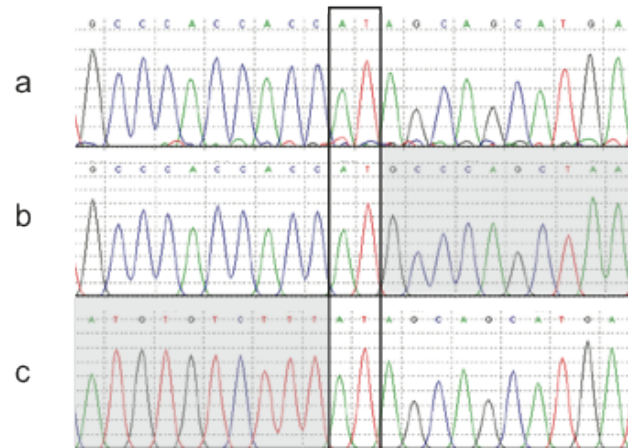
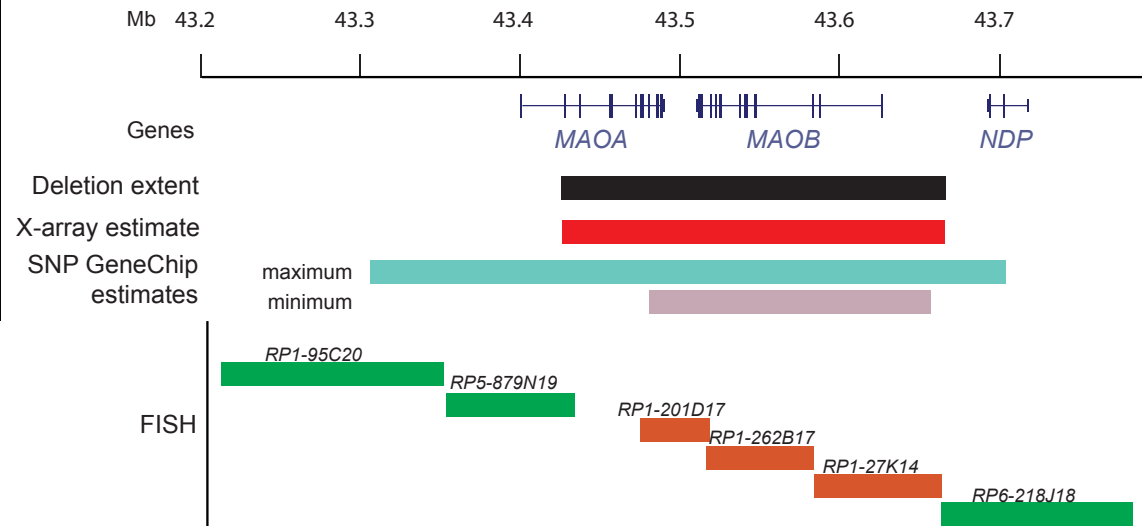
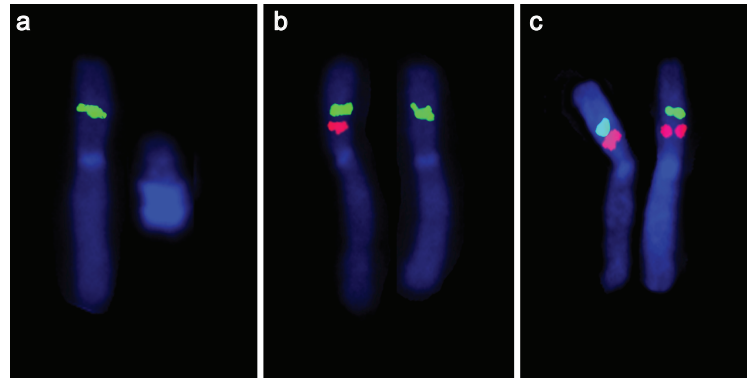
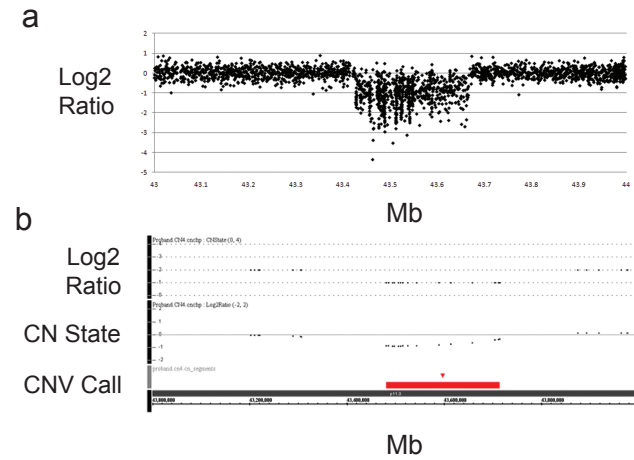
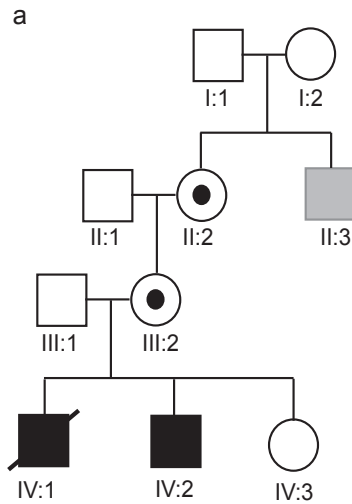
R468X

Aged 21
Severe scoliosis
Double incontinence

Gilfillan et al AJHG(2008)







MAOA and MAOB deletion
Whibley et al Eur J Hum Genet. 18:1095-9 (2010).

Mutational mechanisms for monogenic diseases

HGMD 2010 102,433 entries

57,570 missense/nonsense mutations

9,791 splicing

8,135 small insertions or indels

74% of all entries detectable by sequencing strategy

16,080 small deletions

6,403 large deletions

1,338 large insertions or duplications

22% of all entries detectable by array CGH strategy

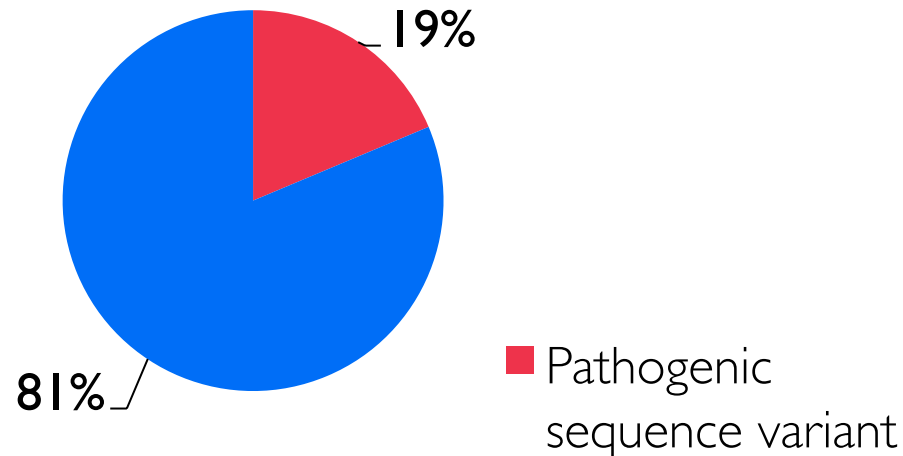
A systematic, large-scale resequencing screen of X-chromosome coding exons in mental retardation

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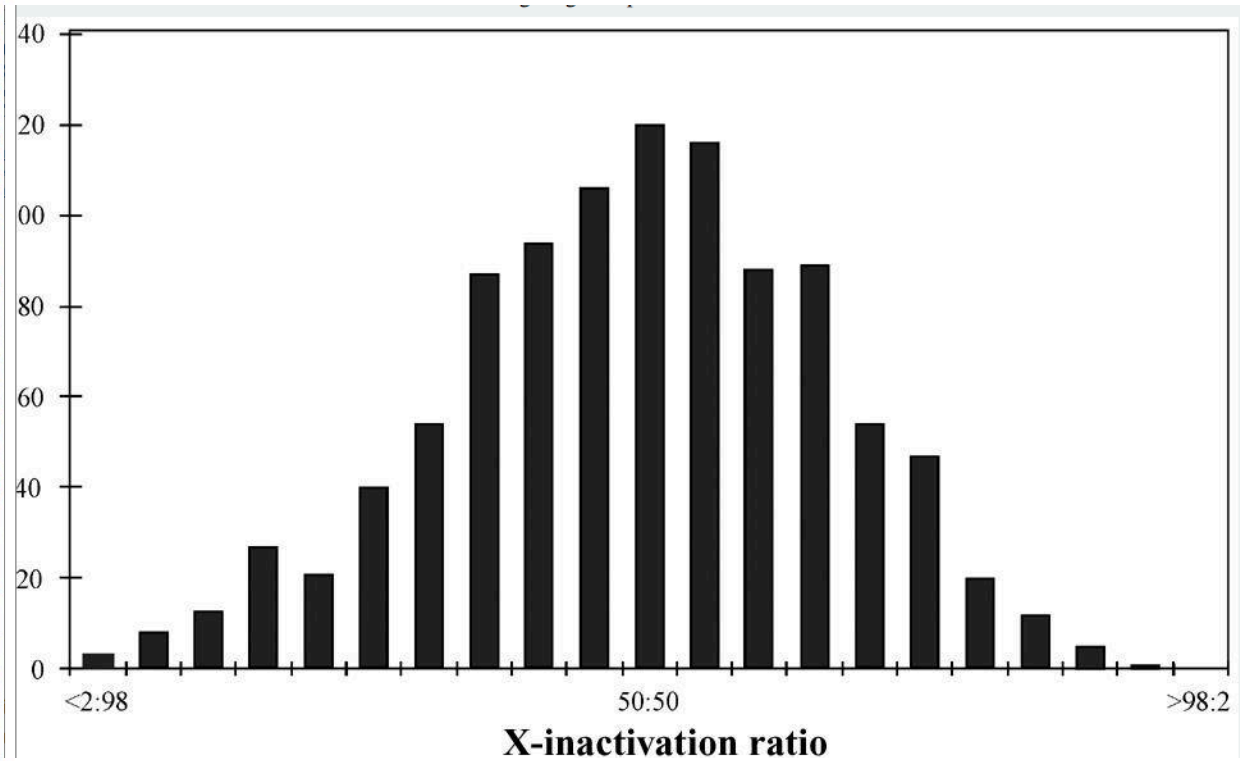
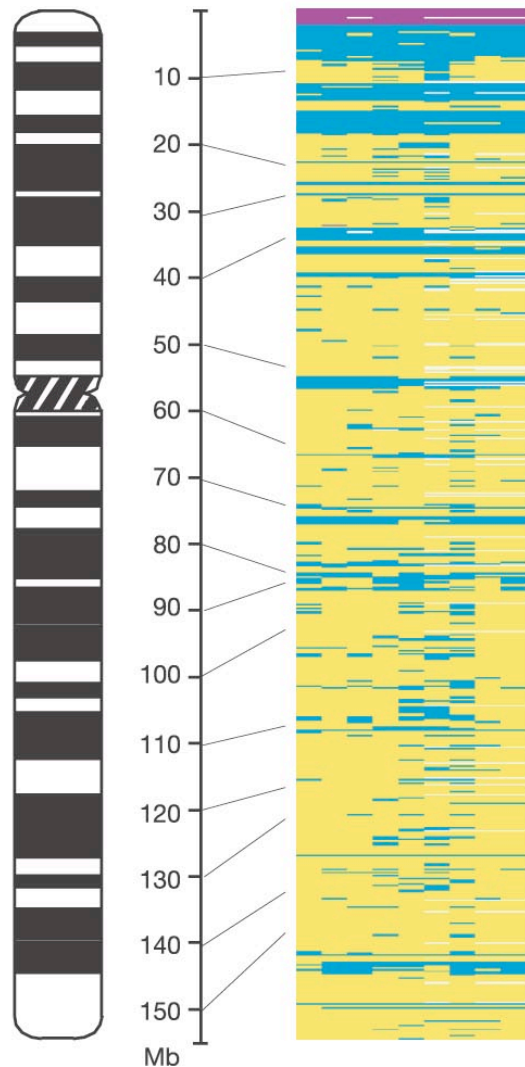
Tarpey et al Nature Genetics (2009) 41:536-543



DLG3
AP1S2
CUL4B
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BRWD3
UPF3B
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MED12
IQSEC
CASK
SYP
ZNF711

X inactivation in mothers

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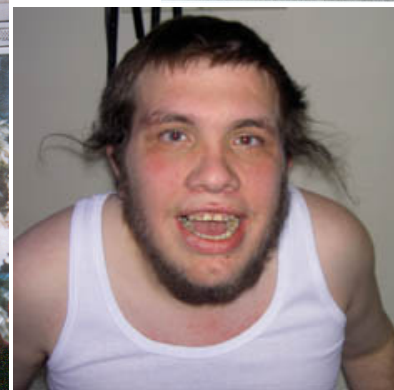
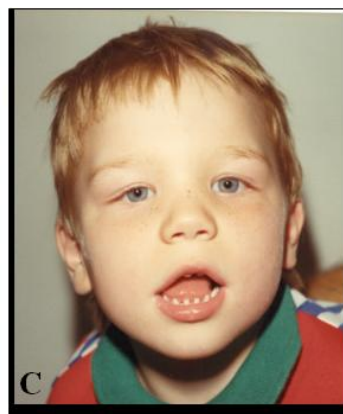
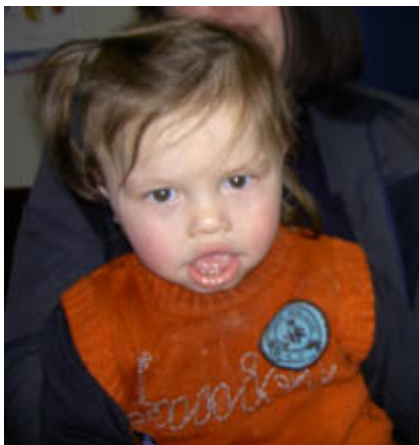
1005 individuals with normal distribution of X inactivation

X linked genes associated with skewed X inactivation

- MECP2
- HUWE1
- UPF3B
- CUL4B
- ATRX
- Others more variable
- Skewed = >95% one allele
- Largely depends on whether the gene of interest is expressed in lymphocytes to any extent
- If skewed then X linked disease likely. If not skewed then risk of X linked disease is not significantly reduced except for a few genes

ATRX (X-linked alpha thalassaemia)



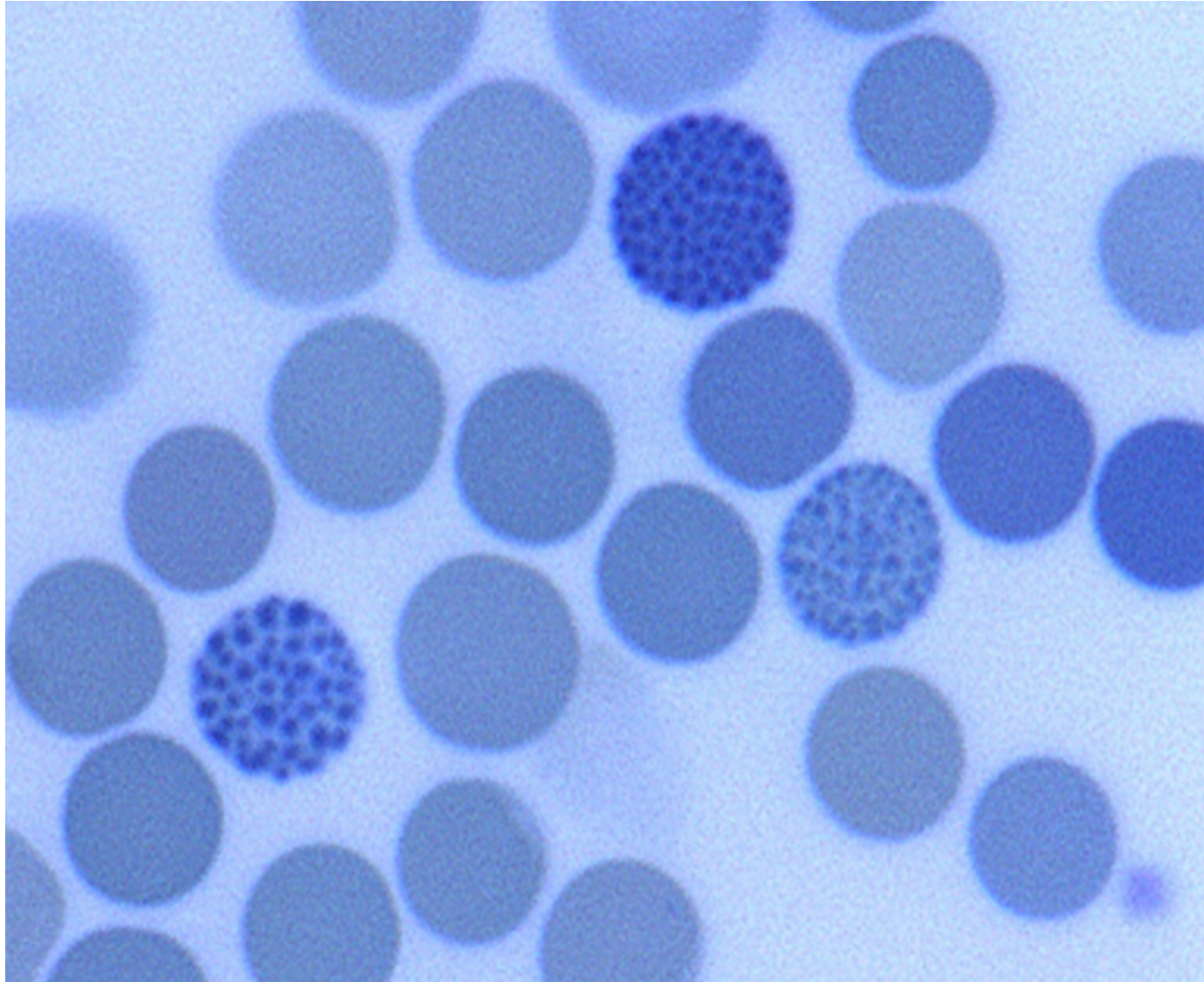


‘Milder ATRX phenotype’



Guerrini et al. 2000 Ann Neurol 47:117-121

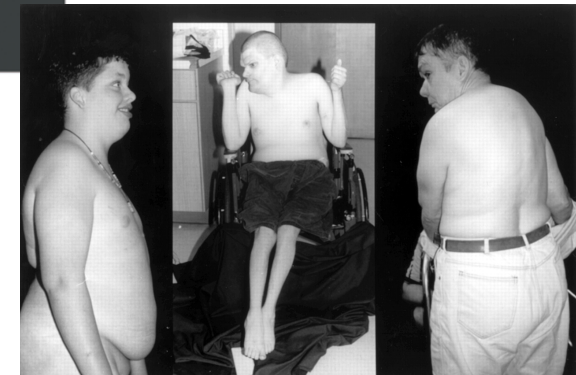
HbH inclusions



CUL4B syndrome



Mutations in *CUL4B*, Which Encodes a Ubiquitin E3 Ligase Subunit, Cause an X-linked Mental Retardation Syndrome Associated with Aggressive Outbursts, Seizures, Relative Macrocephaly, Central Obesity, Hypogonadism, Pes Cavus, and Tremor



Tarpey et al AJHG 80 345-352 (2007)

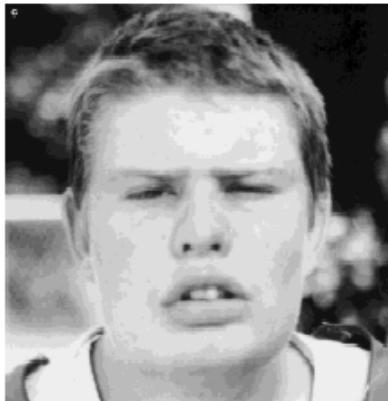
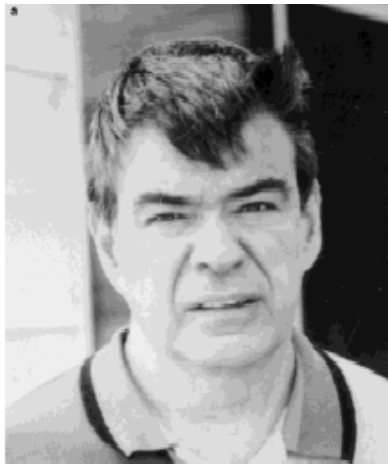


Severe intellectual disability
 Speech impairment
 Hyperactivity
 Seizures
 Intention tremor
 Inguinal hernia
 Small feet
 Pes cavus

Badura-Stronka et al Clinical Genetics 2009



Family 502 (MRX59)



Deletion of the *CUL4B* Gene in a Boy With Mental Retardation, Minor Facial Anomalies, Short Stature, Hypogonadism, and Ataxia

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Small palpebral fissures
Ptosis
Telecanthus
Small nose
Narrow nostrils
Prominent lower lip
Hypotonic breathing



CUL4B, *MCTSI*, and *LAMP2* deleted



Summary of main features

TABLE I. Summary of the Findings in Patients With *CUL4B* Mutations

	Tarpey et al. [2007]	Zou et al. [2007]	Our patient	Total
Motor delay	5/5	6/6	+	12/12
Speech delay	18/18	6/6	+	25/25
Short stature	7/11	6/6	+	14/18
Macrocephaly	8/11	0/6	—	8/18
Mental retardation	22/22	6/6	+	29/29
Aggressive outbursts	12/15	0/6	+	13/22
Tremors	11/13	1/5	+	13/19
Seizures	8/11	4/5	—	12/17
Obesity	15/19	0/5	—	15/25
Pes cavus	7/8	0/5	+	8/14
Small testes	10/15	1/5	+	12/20
Prominent lower lip	6/17	5/5	+	12/23
Gait ataxia	6/12	6/6	+	13/19
Kyphosis	3/18	NR	+	4/19
Abnormal toes, with wide 1–2 gap	11/13	NR	+	11/14

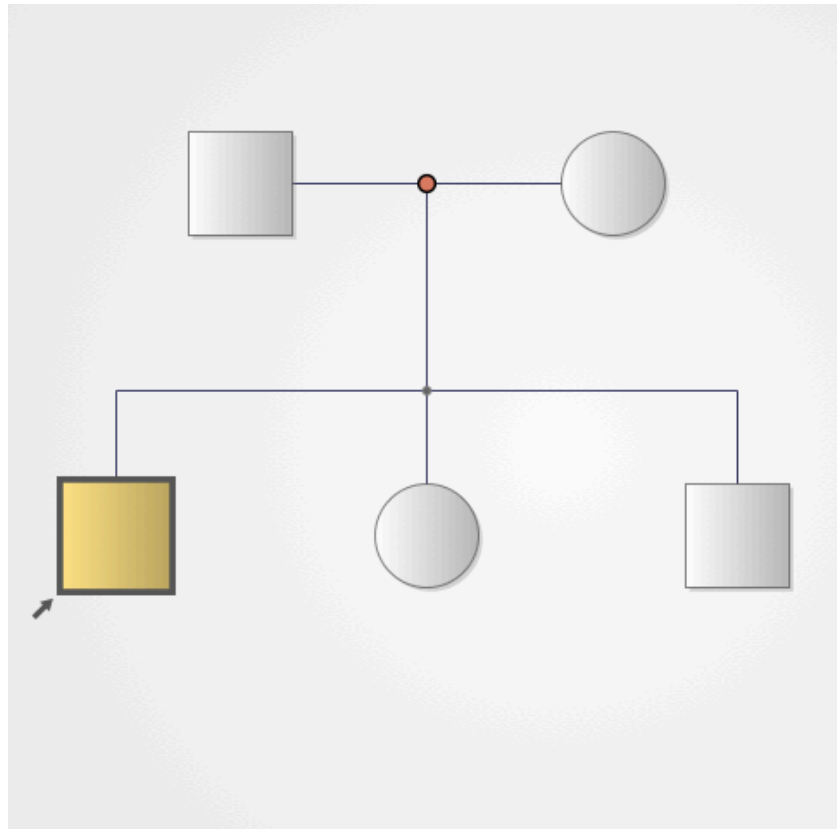
Additional features emerging:

Facial grimace

Prominent front teeth

Structural brain abnormalities including abnormal ventricles, corpus callosum, PVL, hydrocephalus, porencephalic cysts

Mechanism of Disease



- Environmental
- Genomics CNV abnormality
- X linked recessive
- Autosomal recessive
- De novo autosomal dominant

A *de novo* paradigm for mental retardation

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Large-scale discovery of novel genetic causes of developmental disorders

The Deciphering Developmental Disorders Study*

Despite three decades of successful, predominantly phenotype-driven discovery of the genetic causes of monogenic disorders¹, up to half of children with severe developmental disorders of probable genetic

were analysed jointly in the following analyses, allowing, for example, the identification of compound heterozygous CNVs and SNVs affecting the same gene.

>1000 trios with intellectual disability

Patterns and rates of exonic *de novo* mutations in autism spectrum disorders

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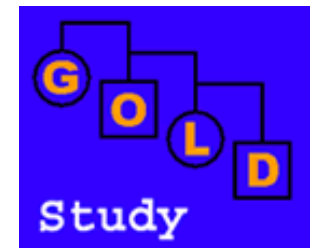
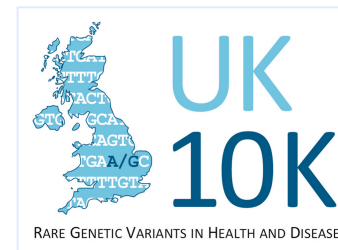
De novo mutations revealed by whole-exome sequencing are strongly associated with autism

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1549 variants that are *de novo* in autism

Targeted Exome Sequence Analysis of 1000 individuals with Intellectual Disability

- 1,000 families where a single sample was available from the proband with ID
- 2,812 sample with CHD and or other rare diseases not associated with ID
- 996 ID samples pass QC of DNA went for sequencing
- 986 QC variant calling (10 cases had >30 variants)
- 565 genes
 - 253 known genes
(UK10K, Gilissen and DDD)
 - 312 candidate genes
(UK10K, Rauch, de Ligt)



Results

8466 variants in 986 individuals

8011 missense and 455 LOF

8 rare variants in 253 known genes per patient

- All these variants are in
Grozeva et al Hum Mutation (2015) PMID: 26350
open access
- Likely pathogenic LOF and missense variants- DECIPHER



Table of 77 LoF variants in 44 known genes

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KANK1	2	BRWD3	2	PAH	1 (homoz.)
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SCN2A	2	OPHN1	2		
SHANK2	2	POBPI	2		
CHD7	2	SETD5, ARID1B, ATRX and CUL4B commonest genes			
CTNNB1	2				
KAT6B	2				
SETBP1	1				
UBE3A	1	ACSL4	1		
ASXL1	1	AFF2	1		
MLL2	1	GPC3	1		
CREBBP	1	KDM5C	1		
SCN8A	1	MAOA	1		
EHMT1	1	OFD1	1		
FOXP1	1	PTCHD1	1		
KANSL1	1	SMC1A	1		
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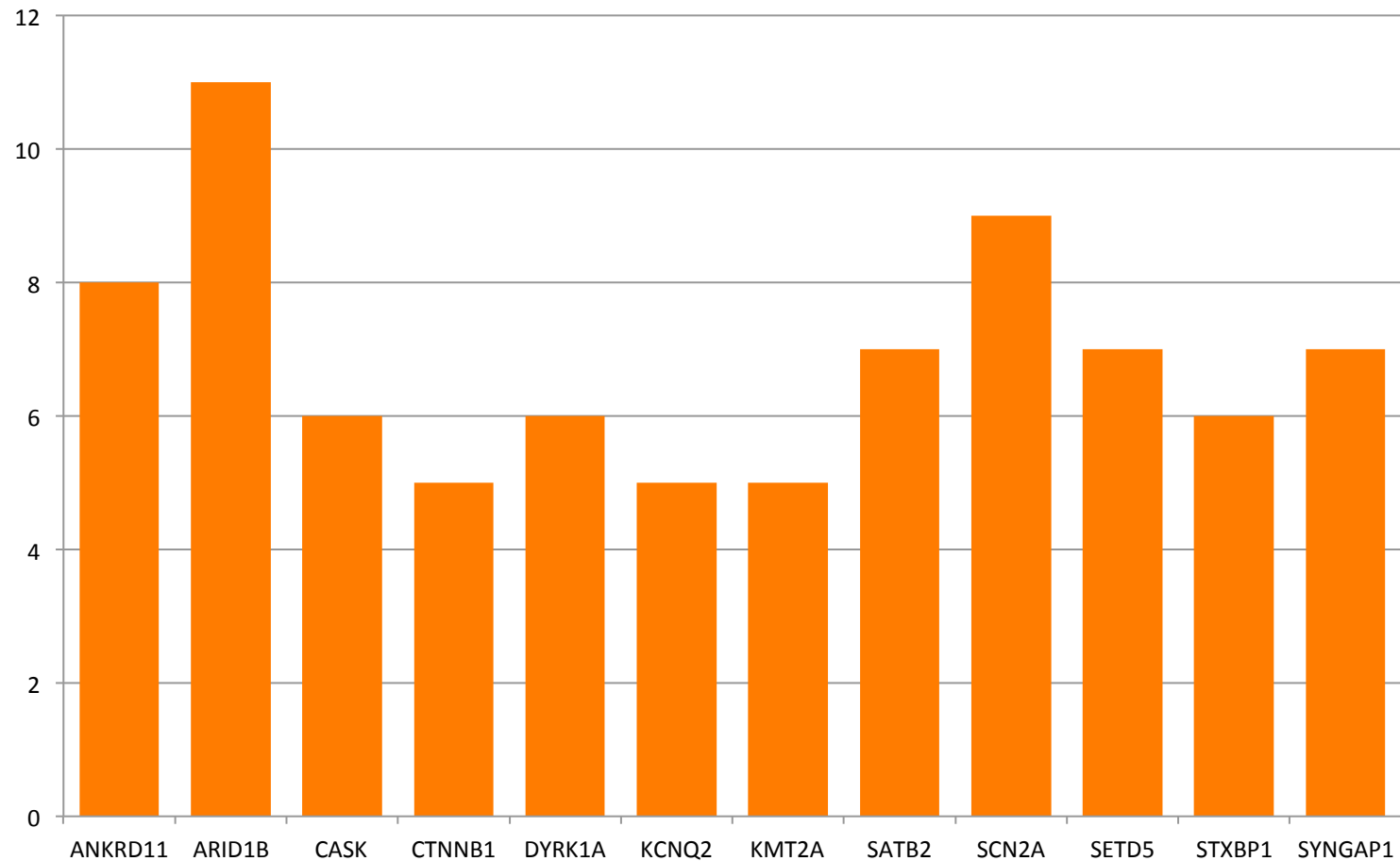
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Diagnostic yield of >25% if trio analysis to identify rare de novo events



De Novo Loss-of-Function Mutations in *SETD5*, Encoding a Methyltransferase in a 3p25 Microdeletion Syndrome Critical Region, Cause Intellectual Disability

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Loss of function of *SETD5* is a relatively frequent cause of ID (0.7% in our ID sample)

Occurs as a rare de novo mutational event

LoF mutations within *SETD5* is sufficient to cause many of the features of 3p25 microdeletion syndrome



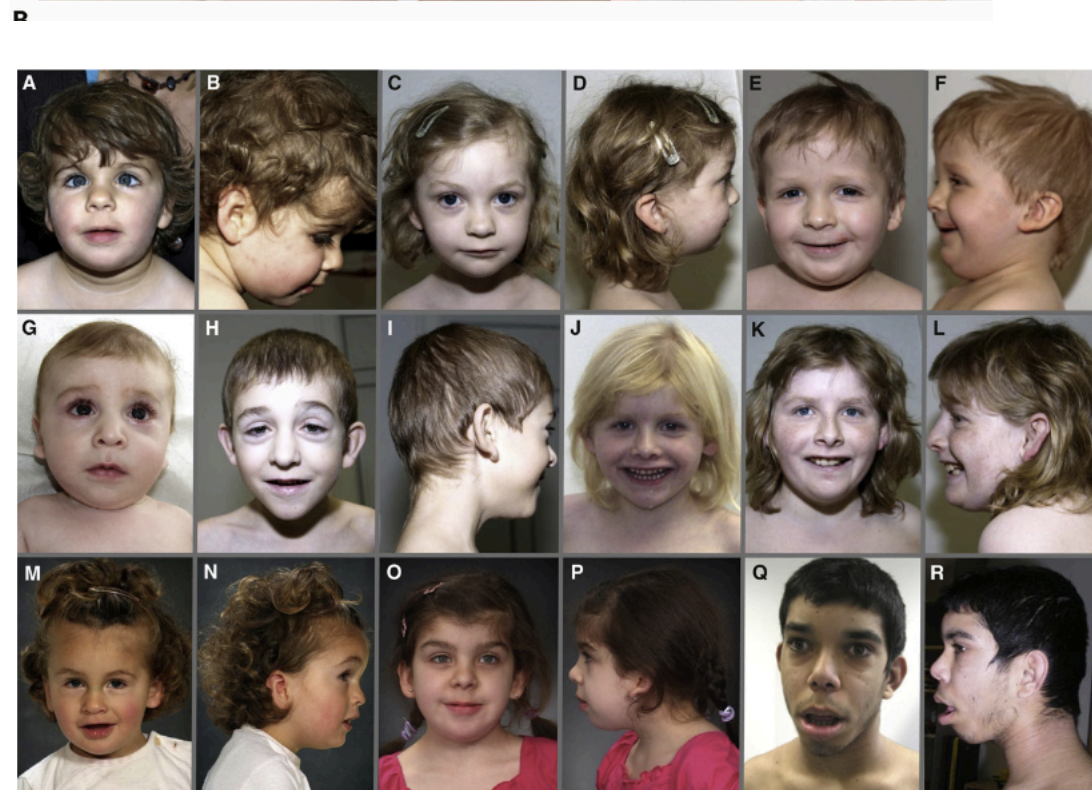


ARID1B

Coffin-Siris or severe ID

Mutations in SWI/SNF chromatin remodeling complex gene *ARID1B* cause Coffin-Siris syndrome

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Haploinsufficiency of *ARID1B*, a Member of the SWI/SNF-A Chromatin-Remodeling Complex, Is a Frequent Cause of Intellectual Disability

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ARTICLE

Further delineation of the KBG syndrome phenotype caused by *ANKRD11* aberrations

This paper has been corrected since online publication and a corrigendum also appears in this issue

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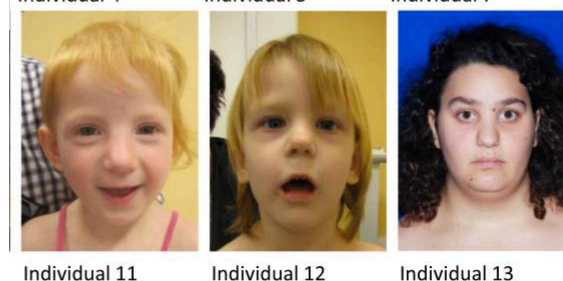


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Mutations in *DDX3X* Are a Common Cause of Unexplained Intellectual Disability with Gender-Specific Effects on Wnt Signaling

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AJHG



How to assess a variant is pathogenic

- Rare
 - ExAC
- Segregates
- Present in diagnostic databases
 - HGMD and ClinVar but presence is not proof
- Clinically fits
- Still no automated variant analysis can get there
 - Multidisciplinary approach

Variant assessment in >120,000 alleles

ExAC Browser (Beta) | Exome Aggregation Consortium

SETD5

Examples - Gene: [PCSK9](#), Transcript: [ENST00000407236](#), Variant: [22-46615880-T-C](#), Multi-allelic variant: [rs1800234](#), Region: [22:46615715-46615880](#)

About ExAC

The [Exome Aggregation Consortium](#) (ExAC) is a coalition of investigators seeking to aggregate and harmonize exome sequencing data from a wide variety of large-scale sequencing projects, and to make summary data available for the wider scientific community.

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October 20, 2014

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Coverage, constraint score and individual variants

SETD5 SET domain containing 5
Number of variants 1039 (including filtered: 1150)
UCSC Browser [3:9439299-9520924](#)
GeneCards [SETD5](#)
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Transcripts ▾

Constraint from ExAC	Expected no. variants	Observed no. variants	Constraint Metric
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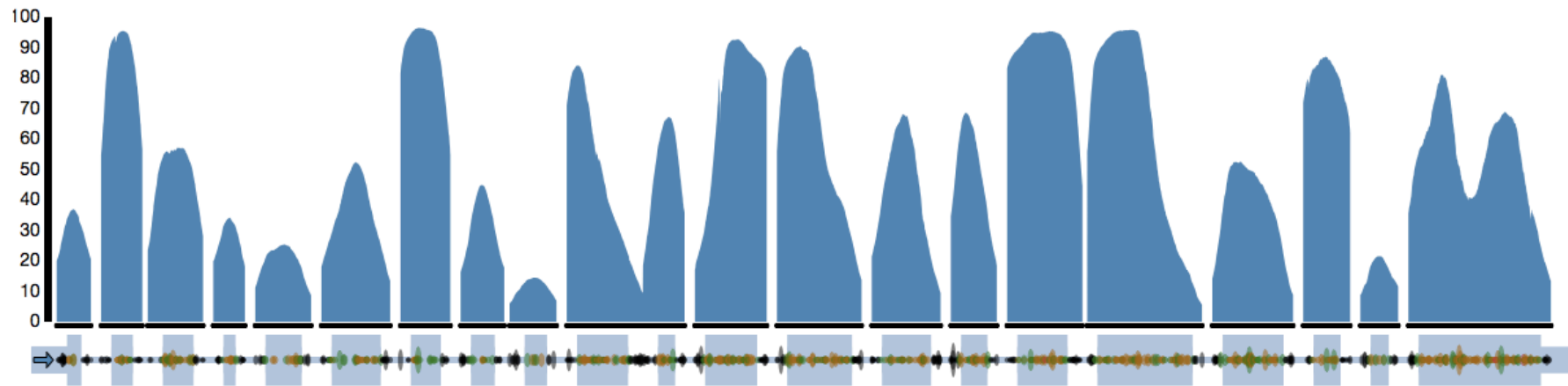
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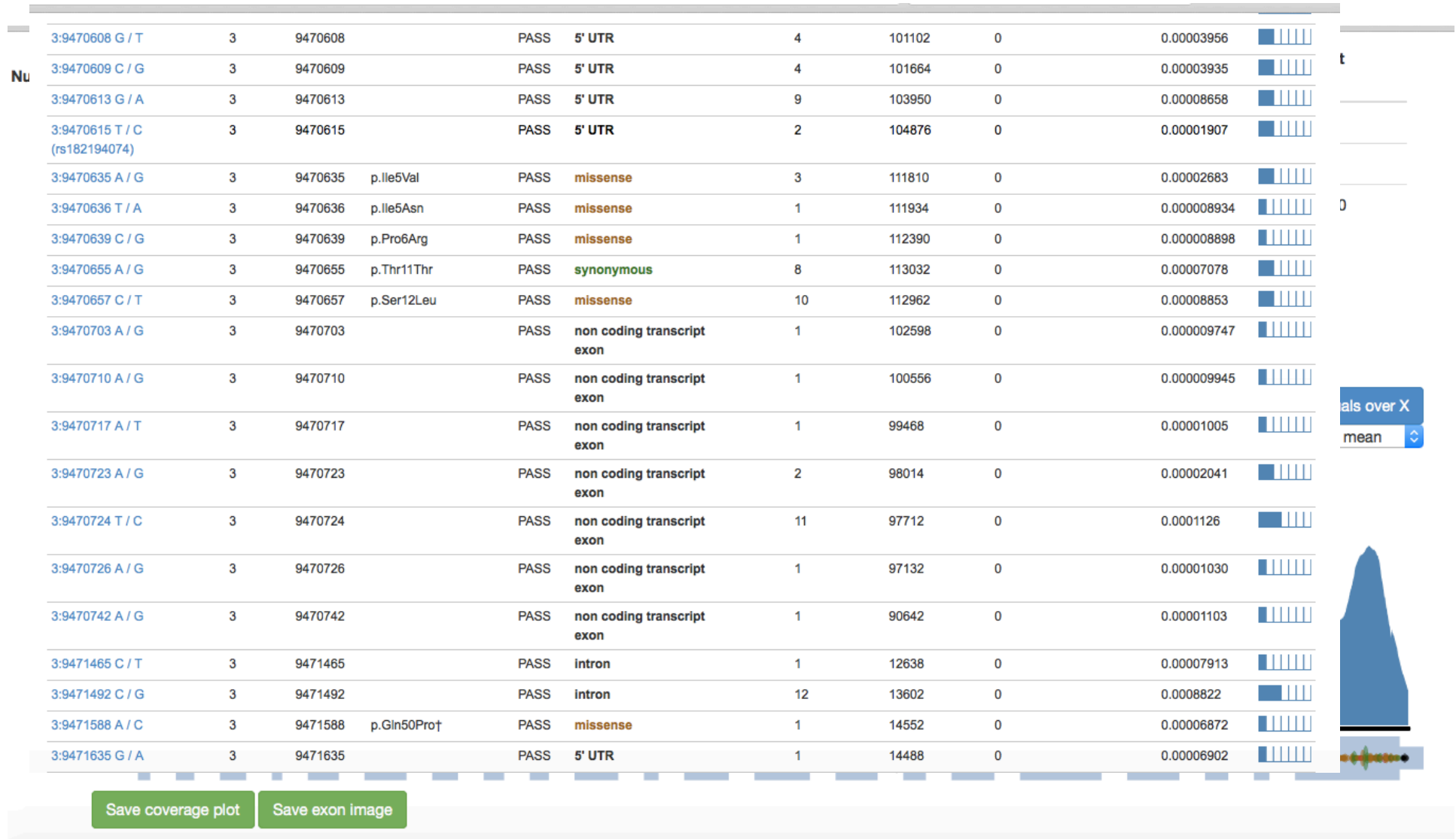
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Additional source of knowledge

- Parents
- Parents
- Parents
 - Support groups
 - Parental observations
 - Parental research
 - Internet groups

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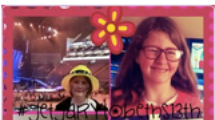
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3p25 deletion and SETD5

What causes SETD5 syndrome?

When children are conceived their parents' genetic material is copied in the egg and sperm that makes a new child. The biological copying method is not perfect and occasionally random, rare changes occur in the genetic code of children that are not seen in the DNA of their parents. SETD5 syndrome occurs when one of these random, rare changes affects the *SETD5* gene on chromosome 3. These types of change happen naturally in all species - humans, plants and animals - and are not due to your lifestyle or anything you did. In most families the DNA change in *SETD5* occurs out of the blue (de novo). In a minority of families, one parent may have the same genetic change as their child, but this is very rare.

Can it happen again?

The possibility of having another child affected by a rare gene disorder depends on the genetic code of the parents. For SETD5 syndrome where parents do not carry the same *SETD5* change as their child, the chances of having another child are little higher than for anyone else in the population. If the genetic analysis of the parents of a child with SETD5 syndrome shows that they carry the same change in the *SETD5* gene, the chances of it happening again are much higher. Each family situation is different and a clinical geneticist or genetic counsellor can give you specific advice for your family.

How common is SETD5 syndrome?

SETD5 syndrome is a rare condition and was only identified for the first time in 2014. The first study identified changes (mutations) in the *SETD5* gene as one of the commoner causes of intellectual disability with autism and behavioural problems. In a recent study of 1000 children with moderate to severe intellectual disability a change in the *SETD5* gene was found in 6 individuals (0.7%).

Families say ...

"Our daughter made us see the world through different eyes. She is a gift to us." - 11 years

"Our son is very fond of electronics, seems to know a lot and gets excited to help others. He loves all special Olympics activities he participates in. Always excited to go and be part of the group. Always keeps us on our toes, very loving and loves to talk. One of the most special boys we have ever known." - 15 years

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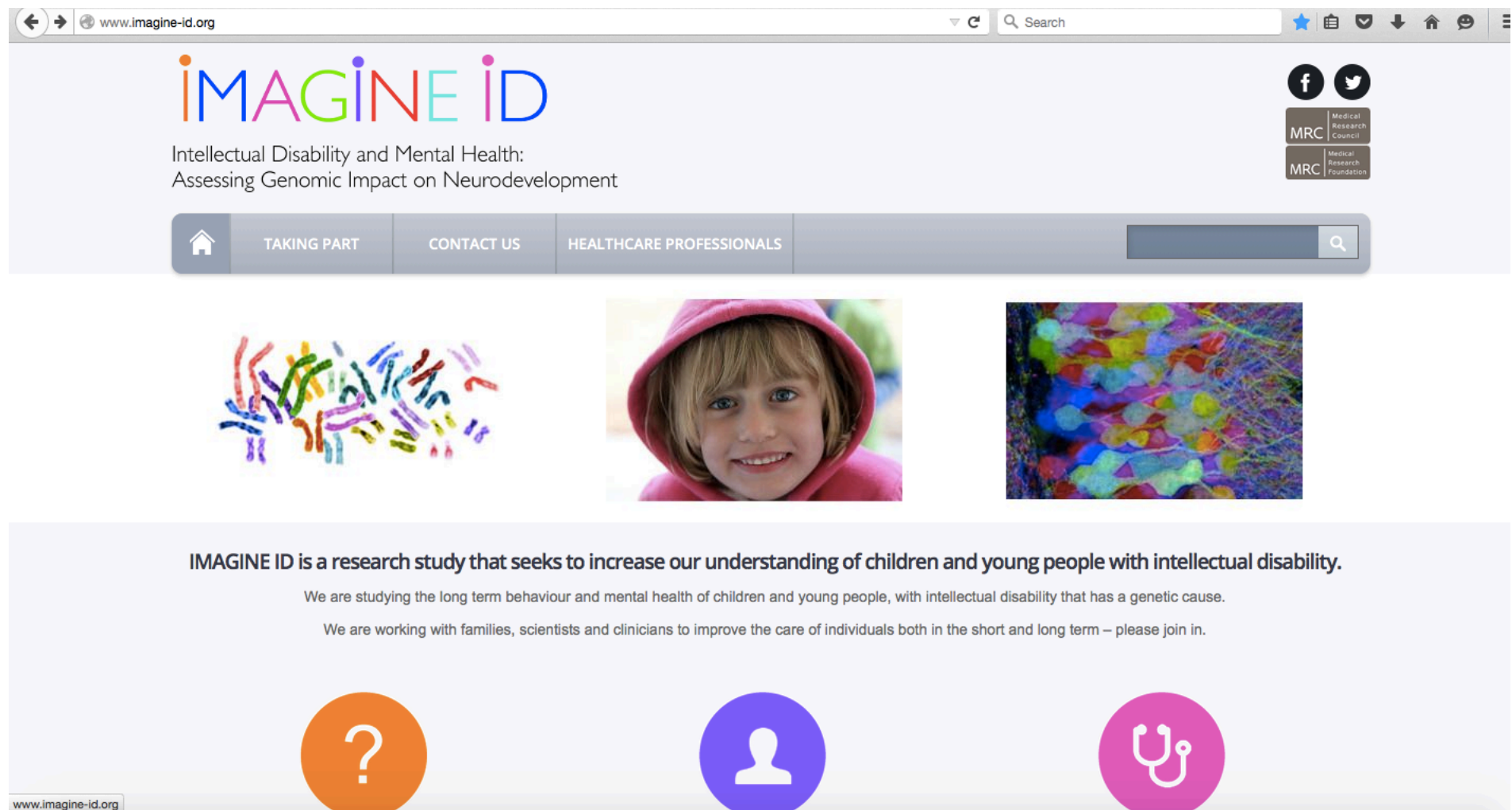


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Intellectual Disability and Mental Health:
Assessing Genomic Impact on Neurodevelopment

Prof Lucy Raymond, David Skuse, Jeremy Hall, Marianne van den Bree





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IMAGINE ID

- Aims to better understand how the genome affects the long term development, behaviour and mental health of children with intellectual disability
- MRC funded national study over 5 years
- Multidisciplinary team from University College London, University of Cambridge, and Cardiff University
- Aim to recruit 10,000 patients by September 2019



Inclusion Criteria



Child is between 4 and 18 years old



Has likely pathogenic SNV or CNV(s)



Has intellectual disability, learning difficulties, or developmental delay

DAWBA Report



Intellectual Disability and Mental Health:
Assessing Genomic Impact on Neurodevelopment

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THIS IS AN EXAMPLE REPORT. THE REPORT YOU RECEIVE WILL BE PRODUCED BASED ON THE
INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE ONLINE ASSESSMENT.

25th November 2014

IMAGINE ID Development and Wellbeing Assessment Report

Dear Parents of John,

Re: John Smith, DoB: 01/01/2000, Address: 30 Guilford Street, London, WC1N 1EH

Thank you for completing the Development and Wellbeing Assessment (DAWBA) questionnaire as part of iMAGINE ID study. The DAWBA collects information about a range of common behavioural and emotional problems of childhood, and analyses this information to produce a report of possible disorders of clinical significance. This report relies on parental information and is not a substitute for a clinical examination. It may, however, prove useful in identifying areas of need in terms of further assessment and clinical or educational management.

Your questionnaire responses have been reviewed by a doctor who is part of the iMAGINE ID research group.

John's strengths were identified as being his lively and easy-going nature. He is polite and has a good sense of humour. John enjoys sports and family activities.

The DAWBA highlighted concerns in the following areas:

- Physical health
- Sleep
- Social communication
- Attention, concentration, and over-activity
- Anxiety
- Outbursts of temper

Here is a summary of your results:

John has been diagnosed with a duplication of 1q21.1. Relating to this he has some difficulties with his physical health including his hearing and a heart problem for which he had surgery as a baby. John also has a moderate learning disability.

The assessment from the DAWBA questionnaire has been obtained for research purposes. Please do not use this report as a substitute for a clinical assessment.



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John has difficulty falling and staying asleep. He takes several hours to fall asleep and often wakes up at night and moves into his parents' bed. John takes melatonin to help his sleep.

The DAWBA identified John as having some difficulties with social communication. John has difficulty with non-verbal social interaction and peer relationships. At present, these difficulties seem to be best explained by his developmental level which is lower than his chronological age. If concerns remain as John develops, further assessment may be beneficial.

John has difficulties with attention and over-activity which is in keeping with his diagnosis of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). These difficulties have a significant impact on John's learning and family life. The difficulties are currently managed by providing John with lots of short activities to help him re-focus, and by offering him regular prompts and reminders.

John experiences anxiety about a number of things; these include the dark, crowds, and separation from his mother. John gets very upset when having to leave his mother to go to school or other activities on his own. John's fear of the dark means that he prefers to sleep with the lights on and usually needs a parent in the room to settle. In addition, John's fear of crowds lead him to avoid social situations such as parties. John's fears are triggered frequently and have a significant impact on his quality of life; as such they warrant further assessment and management.

John has temper outbursts approximately 3 times a week. During these outbursts John shouts, cries, and says negative things about himself. John's outbursts mainly occur at home, but also occur at school. The triggers for these episodes are not always clear but are often related to tiredness or being told he cannot have something he wants. John's family currently manage his temper outbursts by using appropriate strategies.

John and his family receive input from range of local services; in particular, John's school was described as being very supportive of John's needs. In addition they are flexible and supportive of each other.

Yours sincerely,

IMAGINE ID Team

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A *de novo* paradigm for mental retardation

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Large-scale discovery of novel genetic causes of developmental disorders

The Deciphering Developmental Disorders Study*

Despite three decades of successful, predominantly phenotype-driven discovery of the genetic causes of monogenic disorders¹, up to half of children with severe developmental disorders of probable genetic

were analysed jointly in the following analyses, allowing, for example, the identification of compound heterozygous CNVs and SNVs affecting the same gene.

>1000 trios with intellectual disability

Patterns and rates of exonic *de novo* mutations in autism spectrum disorders

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De novo mutations revealed by whole-exome sequencing are strongly associated with autism

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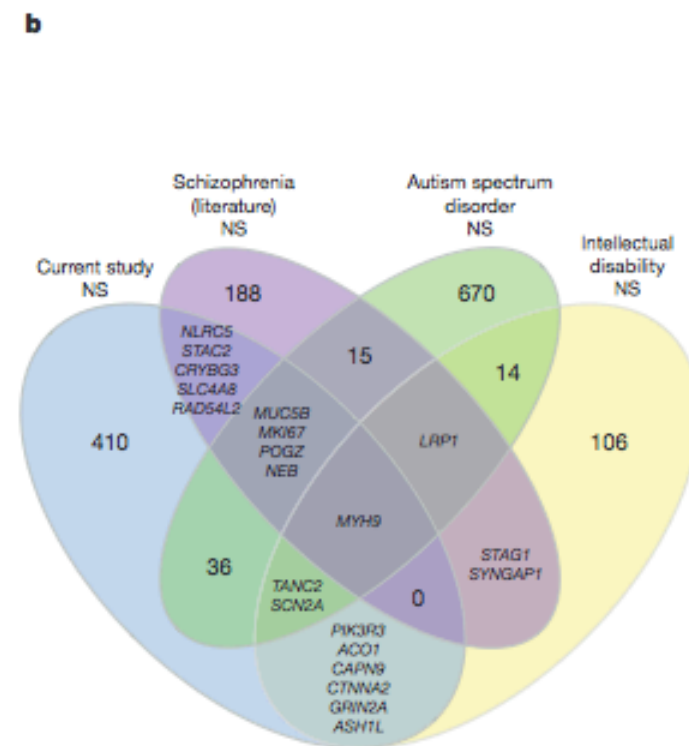
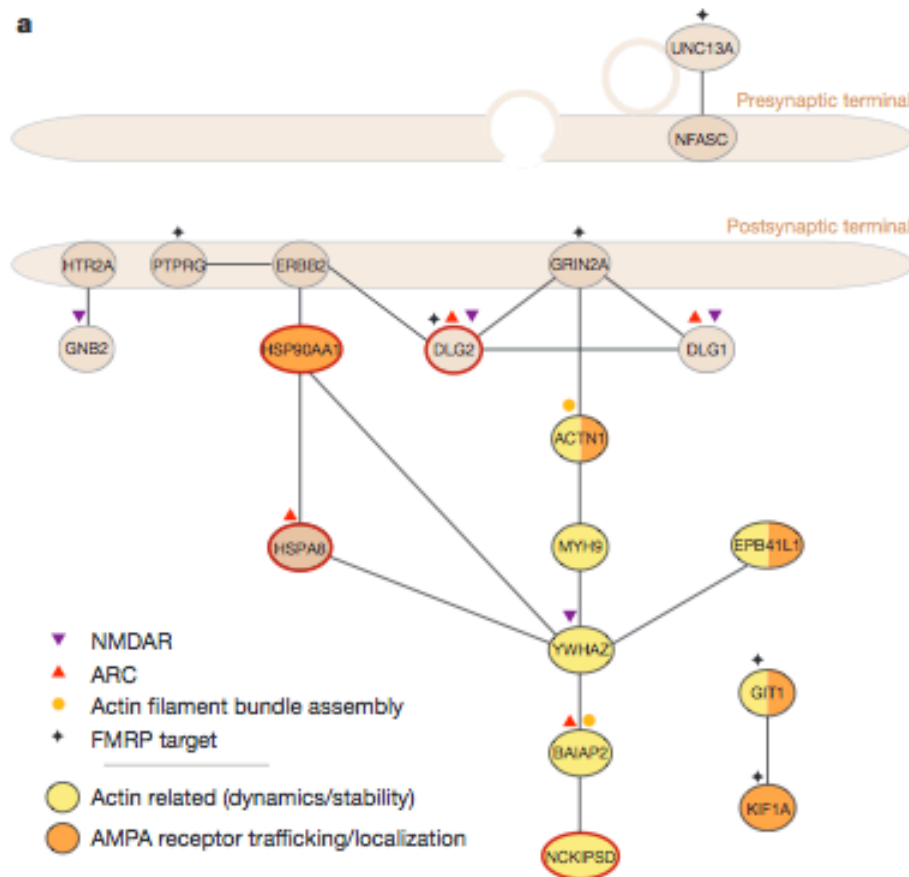
1549 variants that are *de novo* in autism

De novo mutations in schizophrenia implicate synaptic networks

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Inherited alleles account for most of the genetic risk for schizophrenia. However, new (*de novo*) mutations, in the form of large chromosomal copy number changes, occur in a small fraction of cases and disproportionately disrupt genes encoding postsynaptic proteins. Here we show that small *de novo* mutations, affecting one or a few nucleotides, are overrepresented among glutamatergic postsynaptic proteins comprising activity-regulated cytoskeleton-associated protein (ARC) and N-methyl-D-aspartate receptor (NMDAR) complexes. Mutations are additionally enriched in proteins that interact with these complexes to modulate synaptic strength, namely proteins regulating actin filament dynamics and those whose messenger RNAs are targets of fragile X mental retardation protein (FMRP). Genes affected by mutations in schizophrenia overlap those mutated in autism and intellectual disability, as do mutation-enriched synaptic pathways. Aligning our findings with a parallel case-control study, we demonstrate reproducible insights into aetiological mechanisms for schizophrenia and reveal pathophysiology shared with other neurodevelopmental disorders.



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The *SPCH1* Region on Human 7q31: Genomic Characterization of the Critical Interval and Localization of Translocations Associated with Speech and Language Disorder

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The KE family is a large three-generation pedigree in which half the members are affected with a severe speech and language disorder that is transmitted as an autosomal dominant monogenic trait. In previously published work, we localized the gene responsible (*SPCH1*) to a 5.6-cM region of 7q31 between D7S2459 and D7S642. In the present study, we have employed bioinformatic analyses to assemble a detailed BAC/PAC-based map of this interval, containing 152 sequence tagged sites (STSs), 20 known genes, and >7.75 Mb of genomic sequence. We screened the affected chromosome 7 from the KE family with 120 of these STSs (100 kb) but we did not detect any evidence of a microdeletion. No other polymorphic markers

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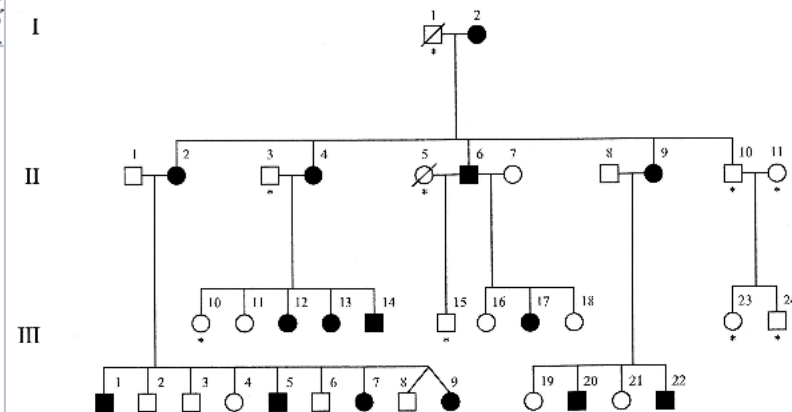


Fig. 1. Pedigree of family KE, affected by speech and language disorder. Blackened symbols indicate affected individuals.

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Table 2 Candidate language-related genes discussed in the review

Gene ^a	Chromosome	Uniprot Protein Name
<i>ATP2C2</i>	16q24.1	Calcium-transporting ATPase type 2C member 2
<i>AUTS2</i>	7q11.22	Autism susceptibility gene 2 protein
<i>BCL11A</i> (<i>CTIP1</i>)	2p16.1	B-cell lymphoma/leukemia 11A
<i>CMIP</i>	16q23.2	C-Maf-inducing protein
<i>CNTNAP2</i> (<i>CASPR2</i>)	7q35	Contactin-associated protein-like 2
<i>CTNND2</i>	5p15.2	Catenin delta-2
<i>DCDC2</i>	6p22.3	Doublecortin domain-containing protein 2
<i>DOCK4</i>	7q31.1	Dedicator of cytokinesis protein 4
<i>DYX1C1</i>	15q21.3	Dyslexia susceptibility 1 candidate gene 1 protein
<i>ERC1</i> (<i>ELKS</i>)	12p13.33	ELKS/Rab6-interacting/CAST family member 1
<i>FOXP1</i>	3p13	Forkhead box protein P1
<i>FOXP2</i>	7q31.1	Forkhead box protein P2
<i>GCFC2</i> (<i>C2ORF3</i>)	2p12	GC-rich sequence DNA-binding factor 2
<i>GNPTAB</i>	12q23.2	N-acetylglucosamine-1-phosphotransferase subunits alpha/beta
<i>GNPTG</i>	16p13.3	N-acetylglucosamine-1-phosphotransferase subunit gamma
<i>GRIN2A</i> (<i>NR2A</i>)	16p13.2	Glutamate receptor ionotropic, NMDA 2A
<i>IMMP2L</i>	7q31.1	Mitochondrial inner membrane protease subunit 2
<i>KIAA0319</i>	6p22.3	Dyslexia-associated protein KIAA0319
<i>MRPL19</i>	2p12	39S ribosomal protein L19, mitochondrial
<i>NAGPA</i>	16p13.3	N-acetylglucosamine-1-phosphodiester alpha-N-acetylglucosaminidase
<i>NFXL1</i>	4p12	NF-X1-type zinc finger protein NFXL1
<i>NOP9</i>	14q12	Nucleolar protein 9
<i>PCDH11X</i>	Xq21.31	Protocadherin-11 X-linked
<i>PCDH11Y</i>	Yp11.2	Protocadherin-11 Y-linked
<i>PLCL1</i> (<i>PRIP</i>)	2q33.1	Inactive phospholipase C-like protein 1
<i>ROBO1</i>	3p12.3	Roundabout homolog 1
<i>ROBO2</i>	3p12.3	Roundabout homolog 2
<i>SCN11A</i>	3p22.2	Sodium channel protein type 11 subunit alpha
<i>SETBP1</i>	18q12.3	SET-binding protein
<i>SRPX2</i>	Xq22.1	Sushi repeat-containing protein SRPX2
<i>TBR1</i>	2q24.2	T-box brain protein 1
<i>TM4SF20</i>	2q36.3	Transmembrane 4 L6 family member 20
<i>ZNF277</i>	7q31.1	Zinc finger protein 277

^aGene symbol approved by Human Genome Nomenclature Committee. Common alternative names are given in brackets.

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