

Ataxies congénitales ou à début très précoce : épidémiologie génétique et corrélations génotype-phénotype à partir d'une série de 812 patients

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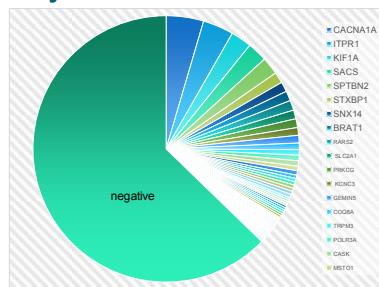
Aim of the study

- Describe the genetic epidemiology in our cohort of patients with congenital and very-early-onset ataxia
- Patients**
 - Mainly children, but also adults from our reference center or french national network
 - Presence of **Ataxia before 2 years old**, with or without evidence of congenital disease
 - Non progressive** at the time of inclusion
- Exclusion criteria**
 - Ataxia clearly progressive
 - Diagnostic suggested by MRI:
 - Joubert Syndrome (molar tooth)
 - other pathognomonic MRI images (VLDLR, LAMA1, Tubulinopathies)

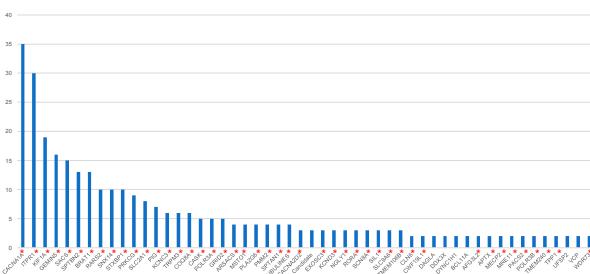
Strategy

- NGS gene panel as first line analysis**
 - 3 different panels since 2016
- If negative: pangenomic analysis WES/WGS**
 - Genetic analysis in our local diagnostic lab or at the national genomic platform
- Validation of the pathogenicity**
 - Segregation analysis in the families
 - Frequency in databases (gnomAD)
 - Classical prediction softwares (CADD, Polyphen2, revel, alphamissense, ..)
 - RNAseq and/or RT-PCR (splicing variants)

Panel analysis - Results

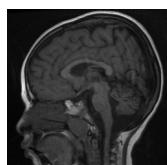


Genes



Metabolic disorders - Atypical forms or diagnosis before regression

- female, 4 years old
 - No neonatal hypotonia
 - but early psychomotor delay noticed by the mother
 - Walking at 21 months, unstable
 - Language delay
 - Mild static and kinetic ataxia
 - No regression
 - MRI : cerebellar ataxia
- Panel => homozygous CLN6 variant p.(Val133Cysfs*18) , pathogenic

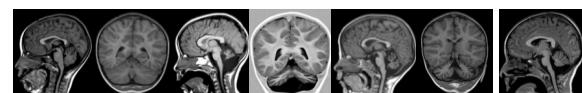


Metabolic disorders identified using the panel in patients with congenital or very-early onset ataxia:

- 4 CLN6 patients
- 2 CLN2 patients
- 2 siblings with atypical mild Menkes disease mimicking very early onset ataxia
- 2 unrelated patients with MSTO1 variants (mitochondrial myopathy and ataxia)

Patients

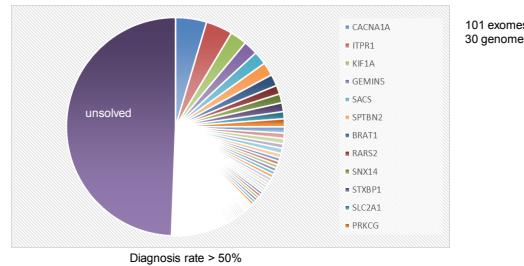
- 812 patients / 756 probus
- 58 multiplex families
 - 30 « autosomal recessive » (two affected siblings M/F or 2F)
 - 5 AR or X-linked (2 affected male)
 - 23 autosomal dominant (parent/child or children)
- Sex ratio 1/1 (380 female/376 male)
- MRI normal / cerebellar atrophy (vermis or hemispheres) /abnormal foliation



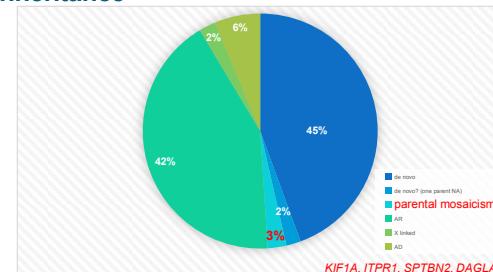
Last panel design 247 genes

Cerebellar disorders	
Non progressive congenital ataxia	
Joubert syndrome	
Pontocerebellar hypoplasia	
Cerebrocerebellar atrophy	
Other cerebellar congenital anomalies	
Movement disorders	
106 genes congenital/VEO ataxia	
All the patients were analysed with at least one panel	

Total study (panel +WES/WGS) – Results (On going)



Inheritance



Why perform targeted panel sequencing in 2024?

- Speed and simplicity, even without parental samples
- Good yield (35%, perfectible)
- Good sensitivity for
 - Mosaicism =>
 - Exonic deletion/duplication =>
 - Avoids incidental findings
 - limits data storage issues

