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## Complement factor H gene (*CFH*) polymorphisms C-257T, G257A and haplotypes are associated with protection against severe dengue phenotype, possible related with high *CFH* expression

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### Abstract

Four genetic polymorphisms located at the promoter (C-257T) and coding regions of *CFH* gene (exon 2 G257A, exon 14 A2089G and exon 19 G2881T) were investigated in 121 dengue patients (DENV-3) in order to assess the relationship between allele/haplotypes variants and clinical outcomes. A statistical value was found between the *CFH*-257T allele (TT/TC genotypes) and reduced susceptibility to severe dengue (SD). Statistical associations indicate that individuals bearing a T allele presented significantly higher protein levels in plasma. The -257T variant is located within a NF- $\kappa$ B binding site, suggesting that this variant might have effect on the ability of the *CFH* gene to respond to signals via the NF- $\kappa$ B pathway. The G257A allelic variant showed significant protection against severe dengue. When *CFH* haplotypes effect was considered, the ancestral CG/CG promoter-exon 2 SNP genotype showed significant risk to SD either in a general comparison (ancestral  $\times$  all variant genotypes), as well as in individual genotypes comparison (ancestral  $\times$  each variant genotype), where the most prevalent effect was observed in the CG/CG  $\times$  CA/TG comparison. These findings support the involvement of -257T, 257A allele variants and haplotypes on severe dengue phenotype protection, related with high basal *CFH* expression.

### 1. Introduction

Dengue fever is one of the most relevant arthropod-borne diseases worldwide. Infection by any dengue virus serotypes can result in dengue fever (DF), a viral acute febrile disease. However, DF occasionally progresses to dengue hemorrhagic fever (DHF), a potentially life-threatening illness characterized by vascular leakage [1]. The dengue disease severity has been correlated with viral loads [2–4], circulating viral proteins [5,6] and exacerbated complement activity [7–11]. The main proposed mechanism leading to DHF development is that the presence of non-neutralizing antibodies against different dengue virus genotypes

that facilitate the virus uptake into the cells expressing Fc receptors and enhancing the virus infectivity; thus leading to higher levels of circulating viral loads [12,13]. Several host genetic factors [2–4,10,12–19] are known to be involved with either predisposition or protection of some individuals against DHF. Among these factors, some complement system genes, such as C1q, C4 and MBL [10,11,20], have been shown as important elements of innate immunity response to the dengue progress.

The complement system has been found activated at high levels in DHF patients, as illustrated by the correlation between vasoactive anaphylatoxins (C3a and C5a) and C5b-9 and dengue severity [7,9,21,22]. Additional evidence suggests the involvement of the alternative complement pathway in the abnormal complement activation [7,11]. Soluble dengue NS1 has been shown to activate the complement in the absence of antibodies [8,9], whereas the complement factor H (*CFH*), a regulatory protein that inactivates the alternative pathway C3 convertase [23], has been found at low plasmatic levels in DHF patients [11]. Interestingly, other flaviviruses, such as West Nile, use the NS1 to bind to the factor H and evade the immune system [24].

*CFH* is an abundant protein essential to maintain the complement homeostasis and restrict the complement action to specific (infected) cell surfaces. The normal levels of factor H in human plasma vary significantly in the population and it is estimated that 63% of this variation is due to genetic polymorphisms [25]. *CFH* gene (1q32, locus ID: 3075) encodes for the *CFH*. The *CFH* promoter was characterized by Willians et al. [26] and the conserved transcription starting sites were described. To date, the single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) NCBI database reported some SNPs located within the promoter and *CFH* gene [25].

We have sequenced a portion of the *CFH* gene promoter region and three exons (2, 14 and 19) in samples from a dengue patient cohort [27,28] to investigate potential gene polymorphisms, relating them with the factor H expression and dengue severity. It was found that the variant named C-257T (rs3753394), located in a putative NF- $\kappa$ B responsive element binding site: GGATAT[T/C]ACC [29], is associated with higher factor H plasmatic levels and reduced susceptibility to develop severe dengue (SD). Also, G257A (Val/Ile, rs800292) locus and C-257T-G257A haplotypes were analyzed showing significant effects on the dengue phenotype. These findings support the involvement of –257T, 257A variant allele and haplotypes on the severe dengue phenotype protection, possible related with the high *CFH* expression in patients.

## 2. Materials and methods

### 2.1. Patients and clinical definitions

Patients with dengue-related symptoms were screened from three hospitals in the city of Recife, Brazil. After a full explanation of the proposed study, only patients who consented to participate were enrolled (study reviewed and approved by the ethics committee of the Brazilian Ministry of Health, under the number 4909; Process 25000.119007/2002-03; and also reviewed by the Johns Hopkins IRB according to the protocol JHM-IRB-3: 03-08-27-01). Total blood from enrolled patients was processed and submitted to laboratorial exams that included: hematocrit, hemogram, white blood cell count, differential leucocyte count, platelet count, serum albumin, serum aspartate transaminase – AST, serum alanine transaminase – ALT (performed by insured laboratories), ELISA for IgM and IgG evaluation [28]. Dengue virus (serotype 3) was detected by reverse transcriptase–polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) according to Lanciotti et al. (1992) [30] and the virus isolation in C6/36 cell line was identified by immunofluorescence test [31] with serotype-specific and anti-dengue monoclonal antibodies (Bio-Manguinhos, Fundação Oswaldo Cruz, Brazil). After clinical and laboratorial evaluations, a subset of 121 well-characterized dengue cases

was selected for genotyping the *CFH* promoter (Table 1). All personal information and clinical/laboratorial results were handled confidentially and integrated into a customized digital database that includes the research results, and the inventories of cryopreserved samples of Peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs), plasma and serum [32].

Dengue cases were classified following the World Health Organization (WHO) guidelines [33]. According to these guidelines, DF is characterized by a high fever accompanied by at least two of the associated symptoms: severe headache, retro-orbital pain, myalgia, arthralgia, and rash. DHF is defined by the same clinical manifestations as for DF, but with the addition of hemorrhagic manifestations including: positive tourniquet test, thrombocytopenia (platelet count  $<100,000/\text{mm}^3$ ), hemoconcentration or other sign of plasma leakage. Dengue virus was identified by immunofluorescence test, with specific-serotype, anti-dengue monoclonal antibodies (Bio-Manguinhos, Fundação Oswaldo Cruz, Brazil). In addition, we applied one more classification, namely, “dengue fever complicated” (DFC), which refers to a subset of DF patients who develop thrombocytopenia but do not completely fulfill the WHO criteria for DHF [28]. For statistical analysis, data for DHF and DFC patients, both with thrombocytopenia phenotype manifestation, were analyzed together as the “severe dengue” group. The definition about acute and convalescent phase was made base on [11]. Convalescent samples were considered a set of samples from the same individuals collected 1–9 months after the onset of symptoms.

The HLA diversity of our population was compared with two other major HLA databases from Sao Paulo and Minas and showed great correlation indicating that the cohort in this study is representative of the genetic mixture present in Brazil. The allele and genotype frequencies from dengue patients and healthy control were not statistically different [34].

## 2.2. Peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) Isolation

PBMCs were isolated from whole blood by centrifugation (931g, 30 min) on a Ficoll-Paque<sup>TM</sup> PLUS gradient (Amersham Biosciences, Uppsala, Sweden). Mononuclear cells were collected from the interface and washed in cold phosphate-buffered saline. After centrifugation (335g, 15 min) the supernatant was discarded and the pellet was washed in ACK (Ammonium–Chloride–Potassium) lysing buffer (Gibco BRL, Gaithersburg, Md.) to remove residual red blood cells. PBMCs were re-suspended with supplemented culture medium (RPMI 1640 medium containing 10% FBS, 100 U/ml penicillin/streptomycin, 2 mM L-glutamine and 10% DMSO) and cryopreserved.

## 2.3. CFH genotyping

The *CFH* promoter region of 93 healthy Brazilian blood donors and 121 dengue-positive selected were sequenced for determination of the genotype and allele frequencies as described below. Genomic DNA was extracted from PBMCs of the patients by using the Wizard DNA extraction kit (Promega, Madison, MA) following the manufacturer’s protocol. Dengue patients *CFH* promoter genotyping was performed by direct sequencing. The following primers (fw 5'-CAAGCACTGCATTCTTGGCA-3' and rev 5'-GCTAGGGAAATTCTCCGTTG- 3') were used for PCR amplification of the *CFH* promoter region, between –443 and –195 *CFH* promoter position, where two polymorphic *locus* are known: one at –257 position (C/T rs3753394) [35] and another at –196 position (C/G rs35046519); however, the second allele variant was not found in our population. The experimental protocol was as follows: 38.5  $\mu\text{l}$  H<sub>2</sub>O, 5  $\mu\text{l}$  PCR buffer (Invitrogen), 2  $\mu\text{l}$  50 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 1  $\mu\text{l}$  10 mM dNTPs, 1  $\mu\text{l}$  10 mM of each primer, 1  $\mu\text{l}$  DNA template (1  $\mu\text{g}/\mu\text{l}$ ) and 0.5  $\mu\text{l}$  Taq Polymerase (5 U/ $\mu\text{l}$ , Invitrogen) to 50  $\mu\text{l}$ . The measurements have started, performed neatly, as shown in figure. The amplification reaction was performed with the GeneAmp<sup>®</sup> PCR system 9700 using the following cycling profile: 96 °C/3 min, 35 cycles

of: 94 °C/30 s, annealing 50 °C/30 s, extension 72 °C/30 s), and 72 °C/10 min final extension. PCR products of 248 pb were purified from agarose gel after electrophoresis by using the MinElute™ PCR purification Kit (Qiagen) and sequenced. Complete DNA sequences were obtained from the PCR product encompassing the –337 to –195 region (142 pb DNA length) were obtained using the Big Dye Terminator sequencing kit (Applied Biosystems) and the reactions were run on a ABI 3100 Genetic Analyzer (Applied Biosystems). Sequences were handled by using the SeqScape 1.0 software (Applied Biosystem).

TaqMan Applied Genotyping Assay (ID C\_\_2530387\_10) was used only to genotyping the C-257T *locus* in control population following the recommended protocol. To the exon 2 rs800292, exon 14 rs3753396 exon 19 and rs1065489 SNPs the control and dengue cohort were genotyped by DNA sequencing as described before, using fw 5'-GGAGGATGACCACCCCTTTTGG-3' and rev 5'-CCAAACATATCCAGAAGGCACC-3'; fw 5'-AGCAAGTACAATCATGTGGT CC-3' and rev 5'-GTAATAAGGAGGGGAAGAAAGCTGG-3'; fw 5'-TCCGATAGACAGACAGACACCAG-3' and rev 5'-AGCTATAATTTCCCA CAGCAGTCC-3' primers, respectively.

#### 2.4. Factor H plasma determination

Sandwich ELISA was used to measure plasma level of factor H during both acute and convalescent phases as previously described in [11]. In that work, *CFH* measurements were performed in healthy subjects, therefore it was not carried out here. Briefly, Nunc microplates were coated with goat serum anti-human Factor H (Calbiochem) overnight at 4 °C. After washing, the plates were blocked with 5% (w/v) BSA (Sigma) for 1 h at 37 °C and then washed and incubated 2 h at 37 °C with either the plasma from dengue patients or purified human factor H (Calbiochem). After washing, the plates were incubated for 1 h at 37 °C with mouse monoclonal antibody anti-human factor H (Abcam) followed by washing and one hour incubation at 37 °C with goat anti-mouse IgG-HRP (Jackson ImmunoResearch). The reaction was developed with TMB substrate reagent set (BD Biosciences) and read at 450 nm in a microplate reader (Safari<sup>2</sup>, Tecan).

#### 2.5. Statistical analysis

The risk analysis and plotting were carried out using the opensource R statistical package version 2.5.0, and PRISM version 4.0a. For association between genotype category and diagnostic class, Fisher's statistical test was performed, using the R function fisher test, which was also used to find the associated OR, using a conditional maximum-likelihood method. Estimation of gametic phase (haplotypes) from multi-locus diploid data was based on a Gibbs sampling strategy, using Arlequin software (Excoffier). Comparison between *CFH* genotypes and serum factor H was performed in PRISM via the two-sample *t*-test with Welch's correction at 95% significance level.

### 3. Results

#### 3.1. CFH genotyping

One hundred and twenty one DNA samples from well-characterized dengue (DENV-3 genotype III, Srilankan-India strain) patients were used to sequence the *CFH* promoter, exon 2, 14 and 19. Only the polymorphism –257T, previously deposited in the SNP database (rs3753394) was found in the *CFH* promoter in our population (the known –196 position was not found). Dengue patient genotypes according to C-257T variant *locus* were defined as CC (54%), CT (39%) or TT (7%) TT homozygous (Table 2). The control group (healthy subjects) genotyping was determined using Applied Genotyping Assay and the frequencies

observed were very similar to the dengue patient group (CC 56%, CT 39% and TT 5%) (Table 2). Allelic frequencies of both healthy control subjects and dengue patients are in Hardy–Weinberg equilibrium.

Three others variant *loci* in the *CFH* gene were observed showing the following genotype frequencies: G257A GG (0.59), GA (0.29) and AA (0.12); A2089G AA (0.75), AG (0.23) and GG (0.02); G2881T GG(0.73), GT(0.24) and TT(0.03). The G257A non-synonymous *locus* was in H.W. equilibrium while the others two *loci* were not. The frequencies observed in the control group were similar to the dengue group (Table 2).

### 3.2. The CFH-257T allele is correlated with higher circulating levels of factor H during dengue convalescent phase

Factor H plasmatic levels were measured in healthy patients (206 ug/ml + 123) [11] and dengue samples during both acute and convalescent phases. Then, the protein level was analyzed according to their C-257T and G257A genotypes and respective haplotypes. Individuals bearing –257T variant allele (CT + TT genotypes) presented a plasmatic level of factor H that was on average about 20% higher than “CC” individuals ( $p = 0.005$ ; Fig. 1) only during convalescent phase, suggesting that the –257T variant allele is correlated with the increased basal factor H production. To the 257A variant and 257T–257A haplotypes no association was found for factor H serum levels during convalescent or acute phases.

### 3.3. Dengue patients bearing CFH-257T and 257A alleles and variant haplotypes are less likely to develop SD

We tested the hypothesis that individuals encoding one of four *CFH* variant alleles (the promoter C-257T, exon2 G257A, exon 14 A2089G or exon 19 G2881T) could be less likely to develop severe dengue symptoms, especially if individuals with these variant genotypes could have rapidly increase of local concentration of factor H at the inflammatory sites. In order to perform such analysis, the dengue group was stratified taking into account the dengue clinical outcomes. Out of the 121 dengue patients genotyped, 34 (28%) were diagnosed with DF and 87 (72%) with severe dengue (Table 1), and the possibility of correlation between SNPs and clinical outcome was then explored.

For the C-257T *locus*, the results indicate association between “T” allele and mild dengue disease, suggesting that this allele (CT + TT genotypes) and related higher levels of factor H may be protective factors against the SD development by a margin larger than 2-fold. In order to test this hypothesis, we performed a two-tailed two-sample Fisher’s test (DF vs. SD; CC vs. CT + TT) that results in estimated odds ratio  $OR = 2.53$  (using the conditional maximum-likelihood method) for protection of the T allele against severe phenotype ( $p = 0.001$ ,  $CI = 1.38–4.69$ ) (Table 3). In a previous study [10] we perform the DENV-3 genotype III cohort stratification using RLM method considering some biological features like sex, type of infection, age and genotypes. In that study, only patient’s age was significantly related with DHF risk development beyond genetic background.

The same analysis was performed to G257A (exon 2), A2089G (exon 14) and G2881T (exon 19) *CFH* gene polymorphisms. The results showed a weak, but significant, correlation between the 257A non-synonymous SNP ( $OR = 1.99$ ,  $p = 0.02$ ,  $CI = 1.09–3.67$ ) and protection to SD (Table 3). The other two SNPs studied showed no relevant effect on dengue development.

Haplotypes analysis using relevant –257T and 257A *CFH* variations showed the presence of four haplotypes in dengue cohort: CG, CA, TG and TA (Table 4). The haplotype genotype frequencies are shown on in Tables 5 and 6. The ancestral CG/CG genotype showed a

significant risk effect to SD either in a general comparison (ancestral  $\times$  all variant genotype forms: OR = 2.90 ( $p = 0.002$ , CI = 1.40–6.24) (Table 5), as well in individual genotypes comparison (ancestral  $\times$  each variant genotypes), where the most prevalent effect was observed in the CG/CG  $\times$  CA/TG comparison with OR = 11.79 ( $p = 1.29^{-13}$ , CI = 5.53–26.91) (Table 6).

#### 4. Discussion

Factor H is a major regulator of the alternative pathway of the complement system, and abnormal complement responses seem to be involved in dengue pathogenesis [7,11,36]. In our study, we have analyzed the genetic polymorphisms in the promoter and encoding region of *CFH* gene encoding the human factor H, in a dengue patient cohort. The *CFH*-257T variant (CT + TT genotypes) was associated with a 2.5-fold lower risk to develop severe dengue disease and seems to have a significant impact on levels of factor H circulating in the blood. The results also showed a weak correlation between exon 257A allele and protection to SD (Table 3). When *CFH* haplotypes were evaluated, we observed that the homozygous ancestral genotype (CG/CG) promotes higher risk to develop severe symptoms both in general comparison (ancestral  $\times$  all variant genotype forms) and individual genotypes comparison (ancestral  $\times$  each variant genotypes) (Tables 5 and 6). These results are consistent with the hypothesis that regulation of the alternative pathway activity and production of factor H by immune cells at the site of inflammation may be important to prevent the development of vascular leakage and other SD symptoms [37].

Our experiments demonstrate a strong association between the -257T variant (alone) and higher complement factor H serum levels during the convalescent phase (20% more). No association was found to the other analyzed polymorphisms/haplotypes with complement factor serum levels. This suggests the existence of other functional polymorphisms forming haplotypes with the -257T variation. The chromosome region of *CFH* gene has a high linkage disequilibrium level and several known polymorphisms. Besides, non-synonymous variations such as G257A (Val/Ile) can promote functional protein modification without changes in gene expression (*i.e.* protein synthesis). In this case, a functional factor H analysis is needed to perform a real association between SNPs/haplotypes and active factor H levels.

Infected cells can activate the alternative complement pathway and the expression of factor H at inflammation sites may be critical to restrict the complement activation to the surfaces of the infected cell. The human factor H is expressed by several cell types, including monocytes, dendritic cell, endothelial cells, B-cells and keratinocytes [38]. Factor H expression in these cells can be differentially induced by interleukin-1 and 1, interferon- (IFN), IFN-, IFN-, TNF- and other cytokines [38–41]. Studies of the *CFH* promoter region have indicated that the C-257T variant site is located within a putative NF-B responsive element containing the sequence: GGATAT[ T/C]ACC [29]. Since signal transduction of these cytokine receptors are mediated by the NF-B, it is likely that this NF-B responsive element is involved in the transcription regulation of factor H.

During DENV infection, dengue NS1 (non structural protein 1) protein is secreted in enormous amounts in the patient's plasma and soluble dengue NS1 has been shown to directly activate the complement in absence of antibodies, suggesting activation of complement by the alternative pathway [8,9]. In addition, secreted dengue NS1 adheres to the surfaces of several non-infected cells types such as hepatocytes, endothelial cells, monocytes, and fibroblasts and preferentially binds to cultured human microvascular [37]. Recent study has shown that the West Nile (flavivirus) NS1 protein can bind to soluble factor H, bringing it to the infected host cells as a complement-mediated lyses evading

mechanism [24,42]. Although this mechanism does not seem to be present in other flavivirus such as in dengue and JEV [42], we postulate that the increased expression of factor H at systemic and local level may enable better complement regulation and protection of non-infected bystander cells from complement attack.

*CFH* polymorphisms have been associated with hemolytic uraemic syndrome [43], including the promoter, exon 14 and exon 19 SNPs evaluated by us [35]. HUS is a non-immune haemolytic anemia that promotes microcirculation disorders including vascular leakage and edema, ranging from thrombocytopenia to kidney failure. Although the HUS and dengue are quite different diseases, they are also characterized by some common clinical manifestations involving thrombocytopenia and vascular abnormalities. It is noticeable that in a previous report the same -257T variant allele was strongly related to HUS development [35], but in that case the T allele means increased risk. However, in the HUS study the factor H levels were similar in different *CFH* C-257T allele bearing patients. However, since the exon 14 and exon 19 *CFH* SNPs were not found associated with dengue outcome, like in HUS, it suggests that the HUS development may be defined by a different haplotype combination than the one we found in dengue.

Based on this evidence we suggest that higher basal levels of factor H associated with *CFH*-257T variant can lead to better complement regulation in the plasma during dengue infection and protection of non-infected immune cells, restricting the complement activation to the virus infected cells, which results in better control of infection control and reduced pathology.

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## Abbreviations

<b>DENV</b>	dengue virus
<b>DF</b>	dengue fever
<b>SD</b>	severe dengue
<b><i>CFH</i></b>	complement factor H
<b>OR</b>	odds ratio

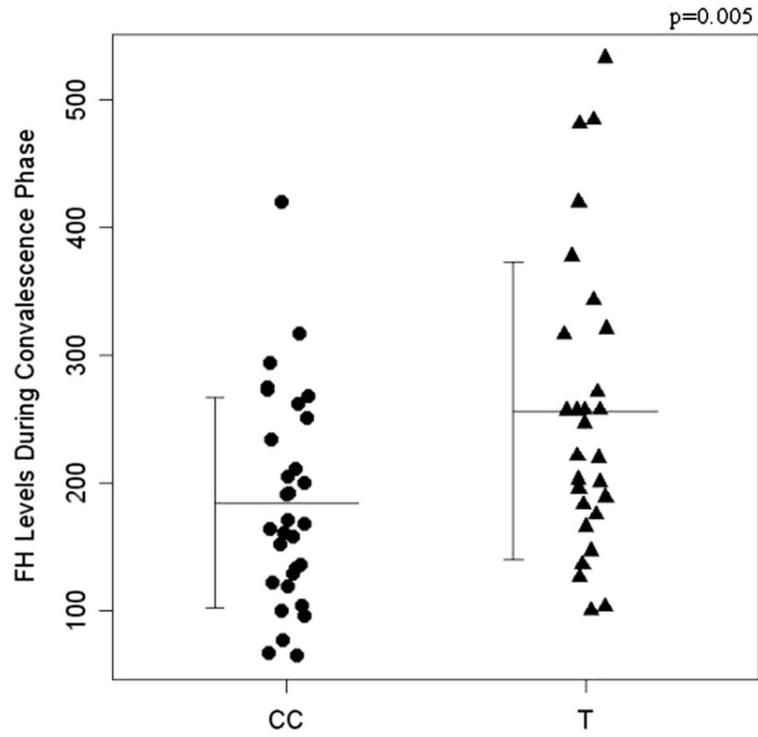
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**Fig. 1.** The promoter C-257T variant *locus* and *CFH* gene expression. Complement factor H plasma levels in CC and CT/TT genotype patients, during dengue convalescence phase ( $p = 0.005$ ).

**Table 1**  
Dengue patient stratification according to sex, serological history, clinical classification and age.

Sex	Type of infection *			Course of infection		Age Years
	Female (n = 60)	Primary (n = 46)	Secondary (n = 70)	DF (n = 34)	DS (n = 87)	
9	10	8	9	10	9	0-15
4	4	3	4	-	8	16-20
8	5	10	3	3	10	21-25
6	10	6	9	5	11	26-30
9	5	7	9	2	12	31-35
5	7	6	7	3	9	36-40
8	3	2	8	3	8	41-45
6	3	1	8	3	6	46-50
6	13	3	13	5	14	51-76

\* Five patients did not have information about type of infection.

**Table 2**Four *CFH* variant *loci* genotypes and alleles frequencies in dengue patients and healthy control.

<b>rs3753394 (C-257T)</b>	<b>Dengue (n = 121/242*)</b>	<b>Healthy (n = 93/186*)</b>
CC	66 (54%)	52 (56%)
CT	47 (39%)	36 (39%)
TT	8 (7%)	5 (5%)
C	179 (74%)	140 (75%)
T	63 (26%)	46 (25%)
<i>rs800292 (G257A)</i>		
GG	72 (59%)	52 (56%)
GA	35 (29%)	31 (33%)
AA	14 (12%)	10 (11%)
G	179 (74%)	135 (72.5%)
A	63 (26%)	51 (27.5%)
<i>rs3753396 (A2089G)</i>		
AA	91 (75%)	64 (69%)
AG	28 (23%)	27 (29%)
GG	2 (2%)	2 (2%)
A	210 (87%)	155 (83%)
G	32 (13%)	31 (17%)
<i>rs1065489 (G2881T)</i>		
GG	89 (73%)	67 (72%)
GT	29 (24%)	25 (27%)
TT	3 (3%)	1 (1%)
G	207 (86%)	159 (85.5%)
T	35 (14%)	27 (14.5%)

\* Number of chromosomes.

**Table 3**

Four *CFH* variant *loci* effect in a Brazilian severe dengue cohort.

Locus	OR	p	CI	$\chi^2$	p
rs3753394 C-257T (TT + CT × CC)	2.53	0.001	1.38–4.69	9.42	0.002148
rs800292 G257A (AA + AG × GG)	1.99	0.02	1.09–3.67	5.45	0.01957
rs3753396 A2089G (GG + AG × AA)	0.94	1	0.47–1.89	0.0173	0.8952
rs1065489 G2881T (TT + GT × GG)	1	1	0.50–1.97	0.0208	0.8853

**Table 4**

C-257T/G257A *CFH* haplotypes frequencies in dengue patients and healthy control.

Haplotypes	Dengue (n = 242)	Healthy (n = 186)
CG	122 (50.5%)	89 (47.85%)
CA	57 (23.5%)	51 (27.42%)
TG	57 (23.5%)	46 (24.73%)
TA	6 (2.5%)	0

**Table 5**General comparison of C-257T/G257A *CFH* haplotype effect on severe dengue phenotype.

Genotypes (C-257T e G257A)	Severe dengue (n = 87)	Dengue fever (n = 34)
CG/CG	30 (34.5%)	5 (14.7%)
CG/CA, CG/TG, CG/TA, CA/CA, CA/TG, CA/TA, TG/TG, TG/TA, TA/TA)	57 (65.5%)	29 (85.3%)
OR = 2.90	CI = 1.40–6.24	p = 0.002

**Table 6**  
Individual comparison of C-257T/G257A CFH haplotype effect on severe dengue phenotype.

Haplotypes genotypes	Severe dengue	Dengue fever	OR	CI	P
CG/CG	30 (66.7%)	5 (45.4%)	2.46	1.34–4.58	0.002
CG/CA	15 (33.3%)	6 (54.6%)			
CG/CG	30 (60%)	5 (31.2%)	3.31	1.79–6.24	6.28E-05
CG/TG	20 (40%)	11 (68.8%)			
CG/CG	30 (78.9%)	5 (71.4%)	1.53	0.76–3.10	0.25
CA/CA	8 (21.1%)	2 (28.6%)			
CG/CG	30 (88.2%)	5 (38.5%)	11.79	5.53–26.91	1.29E-13
CA/TG	4 (11.8%)	8 (61.5%)			
CG/CG	30 (83.3%)	5 (100%)	0	0.00–0.21	7.26E-06
TG/TG	6 (16.7%)	0 (0)			
CG/CG	30 (93.7%)	5 (71.4%)	6.34	2.41–19.71	2.46E-05
CA/TA	2 (6.3%)	2 (28.6%)			
CG/CG	30 (100%)	5 (100%)	0	0–inf	1
CG/TA	0 (0)	0 (0)			
CG/CG	30 (93.7%)	5 (100%)	0	0.00–0.82	0.02
TG/TA	2 (6.3%)	0 (0)			
CG/CG	30 (100%)	5 (100%)	0	0–inf	1
TA/TA	0 (0)	0 (0)			