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67	<i>Arg519Cys</i>	<i>F</i>	0.2	29	14.2	-	16	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<i>n</i>	-
68	<i>Arg519Cys</i>	<i>F</i>	0.6	48	24.7	-	17	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<i>n</i>	-
74	<i>Ile640Val</i>	<i>F</i>	24	0.015	17	5.5	-	<i>neg</i>	<i>neg</i>	-	<i>neg</i>	5.6	419	15	<i>n</i>	-
75	<i>Ile640Val</i>	<i>M</i>	2	0.021	18	7.2	<40	<i>neg</i>	<i>neg</i>	-	<i>neg</i>	5.5	318	21	<i>n</i>	0
121	<i>Leu629Phe</i>	<i>M</i>	0	<0.03	73.3	-	<40	<i>neg</i>	<i>neg</i>	-	<i>neg</i>	-	125	-	<i>n</i>	+/-1.3
Father of 121	<i>WT</i>	<i>M</i>	50	1.54	17.5	-	-	<i>neg</i>	-	-	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Mother of 121	<i>WT</i>	<i>F</i>	45	3.39	13.0	-	-	<i>neg</i>	<i>neg</i>	-	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Brother 1 of 121	<i>WT</i>	<i>M</i>	20	1.53	14.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brother 2 of 121	<i>WT</i>	<i>M</i>	18	2.34	13.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
137	<i>Ala519Cys</i>	<i>M</i>	37	4.04	16.5	-	-	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
139	<i>WT/TG Asp2318Asn</i>	<i>F</i>	44	<i>normal</i>	<i>normal</i>	-	-	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<i>goiter</i>	-
143	<i>Pro162Ala</i>	<i>M</i>	7	22.1	12	6.3	25	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
144	<i>Pro162Ala</i>	<i>F</i>	32	<i>normal</i>	<i>normal</i>	-	-	<i>neg</i>	-	-	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-
145	<i>Pro162Ala</i>	<i>M</i>	41	<i>normal</i>	<i>normal</i>	-	-	<i>neg</i>	-	-	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-
229	<i>Asp633His</i>	<i>F</i>	14	0.06	23.6	17.6	-	<i>neg</i>	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Right lobe: adenoma</i>	-
230	<i>Tyr601Asn</i>	<i>M</i>	9	<0.03	31.5	-	-	<i>neg</i>	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Multinodular adenomas</i>	-
266	<i>Ile640Val</i>	<i>F</i>	16	0.016	16	5.1	<40	<i>neg</i>	<i>neg</i>	-	-	-	-	-	<i>normal</i>	-

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Daughter of 266	WT	F	2	1.9	16.1	3.9	<40	neg	-	23	neg	-	-	-	-	-
Son of 266	WT	M	4	2.4	16.7	6.2	<40	neg	-	17	neg	-	-	-	-	-
268	Ser237Asn	F	26	0.05	69.0	26.1	-	neg	neg	-	neg	-	-	-	-	-
269	Ser237Asn	F	40	0.02	74.5	13.7	-	neg	neg	-	neg	-	-	-	-	-
270	Ser237Asn	M	13	0.005	35.4	11.7	<15	neg	neg	-	neg	4.61%	445	-	n, hypoecho and ↑ blood flow	+3.0
271	Ser237Asn	F	10	0.01	29.5	14.1	<15	neg	neg	-	neg	-	-	-	normal	+
272	WT	F	?	0.9	-	-	<15	neg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
273	Ser237Asn	F	14	0.01	37.3	17.6	-	neg	neg	-	neg	-	-	-	-	-
274	WT	M	14	1.54	-	-	<15	neg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
275	WT	M	38	1.81	-	-	<15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
276	WT	M	12	2.1	-	-	<15	neg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
279	Ile640Val	F	5	0.06	23.0	7.0	<40	neg	neg	11.2	neg	-	342	21	normal/ 2 small nodules (7x7x3mm)	-
280	Ile640Val	M	41	0.04	17.0	5.2	-	neg	neg	0.7	-	-	388	-	normal	-
283	WT	F	45	2.05	17.0	-	-	neg	neg	34.2	neg	-	-	-	-	-
284	WT	F	19	3.91	-	-	-	neg	-	11	neg	-	-	-	-	-
285	Ile640Val	F	12	0.85	19	-	3.4	neg	neg	11	neg	-	-	-	-	-
286	WT	M	10	3.91	18	-	8.7	neg	neg	31.4	neg	4.8	-	-	-	-
291	WT	M	1.7	1.9	14	-	<40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
292	Ala485Val/ TSHR Val233Met	M	1.1	0.01	20	9.0	1.78	neg	neg	-	neg	-	-	-	normal	-

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293	<i>Ala485Val/ TSHR Val233Met</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>4.8</i>	<i>0.01</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>0.03</i>	<i>neg</i>	<i>neg</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>neg</i>	<i>4.7</i>	<i>280</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>normal</i>	<i>-</i>
294, mother of 291-3	<i>WT/ TSHR Val233Met</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>5.0</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>neg</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>24.5</i>	<i>neg</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
295, father of 291-3	<i>Ala485Val/ WT</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>0.01</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>7.7</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>neg</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>24.7</i>	<i>neg</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>normal/l cyst and 1 small nodule</i>	<i>-</i>

Characteristics of the study participants including number (ID), TSHR or other gene mutation, Age at diagnosis or at enrollment, thyroid function test results (TSH (Ref. 0.1-17 mU/L in newborns, 0.5-4.0 mU/L in adults), free T4 (FT4, Ref. 10 – 36 pmol/l in 1 – 3 day-old newborns and 9.0 – 19 pmol/l in adults) or free T3 (FT3) concentrations (Ref. 3.5 - 7.5 , pmol/L), uS-TSH= umbilical cord blood serum TSH (used in Finland for CH screening, Reference values for uS-TSH < 40mU/L), n-TSH, neonatal TSH at screening (used in Poland, measured at 3 days of age from heel prick blood sample. Screening limit for n-TSH was < 15 mU/L. Thyroid peroxidase (TPO), TSHR, or Thyroglobulin, (Tygl) antibodies (Ab) neg, indicates negative antibody test result, HbA1c, glycated hemoglobin A1c, ACTH, adrenocorticotrophic hormone. Thyroid size was evaluated with ultrasound, n = normal thyroid size and location. *Bone age, years ahead (+/y) or behind (-/y) calendar age, estimated from hand X-ray using the Tanner-Whitehouse skeletal maturity method (1).

Table S2: *Thyroid-specific rare exome variants in study subjects with nonautoimmune hyper- or hypothyroidism.*

ID	Gene	GeneBank	Base change	Protein change	gnomAD MAF	Chr location (GRCh38.p13)	Novel or reference	Classification*
67	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.1555C>T	R519C	0.00001769	Chr14: 81143613	(2)	A
68	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.1555C>T	R519C	0.00001769	Chr14: 81143613	(2)	A
67	TG	NM_003235.4	c.6952G>A	D2318N	0.0004030	Chr8: 133022066	-	VUS
68	TG	NM_003235.4	c.6952G>A	D2318N	0.0004030	Chr8: 133022066	-	VUS
74	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.1918A>G	I640V	-	Chr14: 81 143 976	Novel	A
75	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.1918A>G	I640V	-	Chr14: 81 143 976	Novel	A
121	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.1887G>C	L629F	0.000003977	Chr14: 81 143 945	(3)	A
143	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.484C>G	P162A	0.0001379	Chr14:81 092 547	(4)	A
229	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.1897G>C	D633H	0.000003977	Chr14: 81 143 955	(5)	A
230	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.1801T>A	Y601N	-	Chr14: 81 143 859	(6)	A
230	PAX8	NM_003466.4	c.985C>T	F329L	0.01587	Chr2:113 235 496	(7)	B
266	TSHR	NM_000369.2	1918A>G	I640V	-	Chr14: 81 143 976	Novel	A
268	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.710G>A	S237N	-	Chr14: 81 139 696	Novel	A
292	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.1454C>T	A485V	-	Chr14: 81 143 512	(8)	A
293	TSHR	NM_000369.2	c.697G>A	V233M	0.00003536	Chr14:81 139 683	(9)	B

*Classification: ID = number of the participant, A = pathogenic mutation (based on segregation, literature, and in vitro experiments), B = benign variant, VUS = variant of unknown significance, gnomAD MAF = minor allele frequency in The Genome Aggregation Consortium database.

Table S3: List of TSHR primers used for Sanger-sequencing.

Target site in TSHR	Forward primer	Reverse primer	T _a
<i>p.Val233Met</i> (c.697G>A)	5'-AGTCCCCAAACTCTAGTCCCC-3'	5'-GGTAAGAAAGGTCAGCCCGTG-3'	65 °C
<i>p.Ser237Asn</i> (c.710G>A)	5'-AGTCCCCAAACTCTAGTCCCC-3'	5'-GGTAAGAAAGGTCAGCCCGTG-3'	65 °C
<i>p.Ala485Val</i> (c.1454C>T)	5'-TCCGATGAGTTCAACCCGTG-3'	5'-GGTGATGACCGTCAGCGTAT-3'	64°C
<i>p.Leu629Phe</i> (c.1887G>C)	5'-GTCAGTATCTGCCTGCCCAT-3'	5'-CTGAGCCTGGCGTTTACAGA-3'	64 °C
<i>p.Tyr601Asn</i> (c.1801T>A)	5'- CCGAGACCCCTCTTGCTCTG-3'	5'-CCAGCAAGATTTTGGAGTTGCT-3'	63 °C
<i>p.Asp633His</i> (c.1897G>C)	5'- CCGAGACCCCTCTTGCTCTG-3'	5'-CCAGCAAGATTTTGGAGTTGCT-3'	63 °C
<i>p.Ile640Val</i> (c.1918A>G)	5'-GTCAGTATCTGCCTGCCCAT-3'	5'-CTGAGCCTGGCGTTTACAGA-3'	64 °C

T_a, annealing temperature of the primer pairs.

Table S4: *List of primers used for quantitative RT-PCR.*

Gene	Forward primer	Reverse primer
<i>Nis</i>	5'-GGGATGCACCAATGCCTCTG-3'	5'-GTAGCTGATGAGAGCACCACA-3'
<i>Ppia</i>	5'-CATCCTAAAGCATACAGGTCCTG-3'	5'-TCCATGGCTTCCACAATGTT-3'
<i>Tpo</i>	5'-CAAAGGCTGGAACCCTAATTCT-3'	5'-AACTTGAATGAGGTGCCTTGTC-3'

Annealing temperature for the PCR was 62.5°C for all the primers.

Table S5: List of antibodies

Primary antibodies

FACS

- Rabbit monoclonal HA-tag IgG (C29F4); Cell Signaling Technology (37245)

Immunohistochemistry

- Rat monoclonal Ki-67 (SolA15); eBioscience™ (11-5698-82)
 - Rabbit polyclonal Anti-Thyroid Peroxidase (TPO); Abcam (ab203057)
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Secondary antibodies

FACS

- Donkey anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor™ 488; Invitrogen (A-21206)
- Donkey anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor™ 647; Invitrogen (A-31573)

Immunohistochemistry

- Rat on Mouse HRP-Polymer Kit; Biocare (RT517)
 - Goat anti-rabbit HRP; WellMed (DPVR110HRP)
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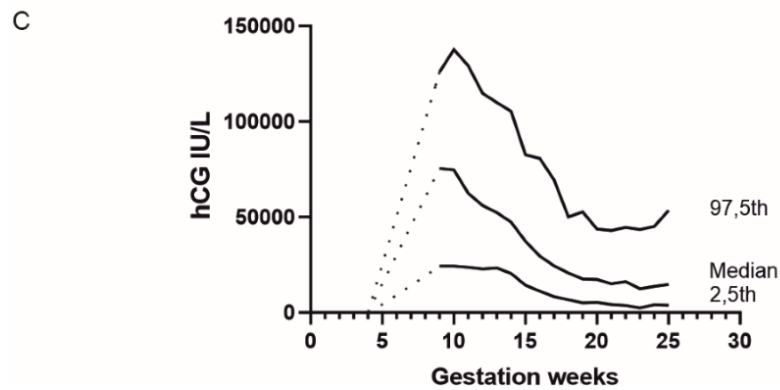
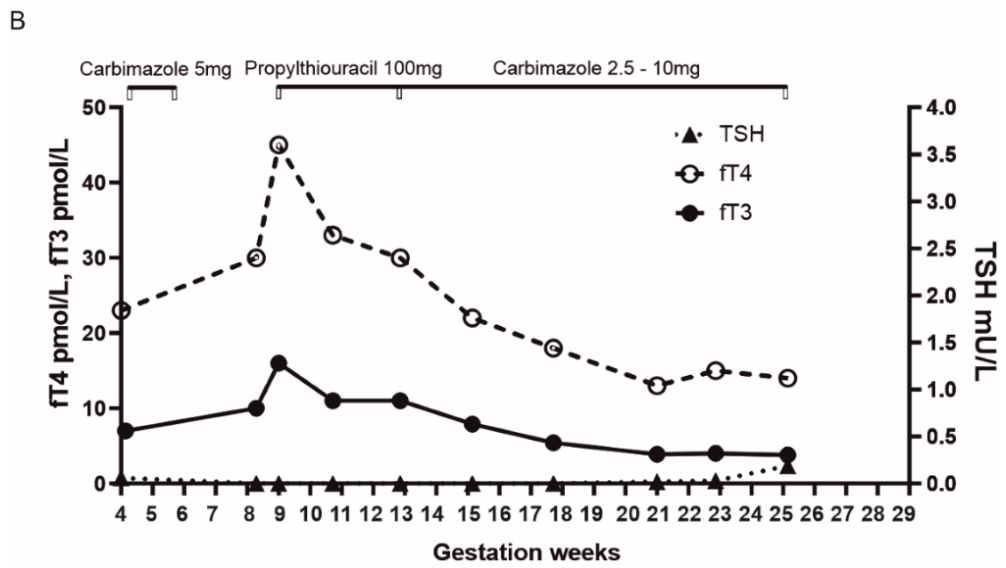
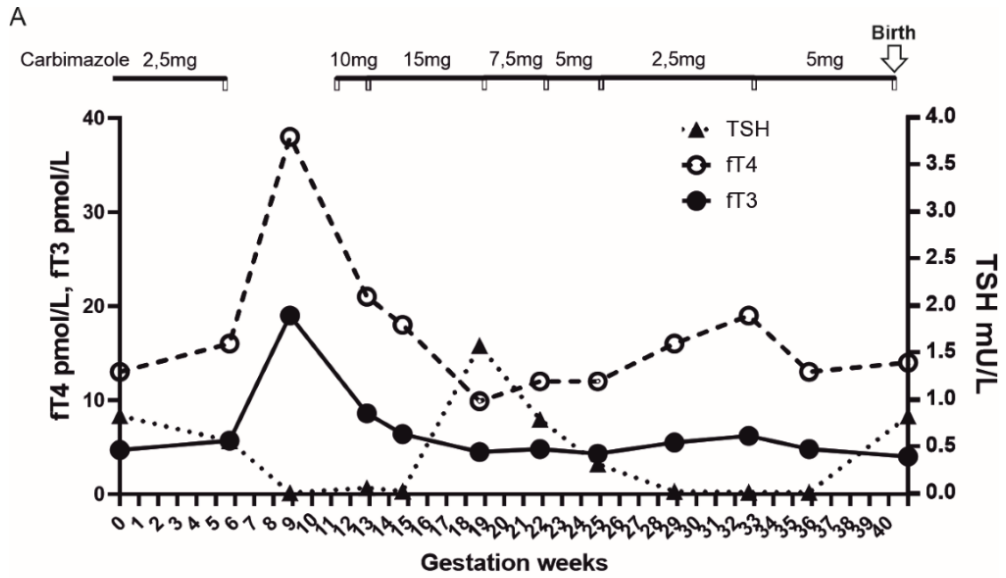


Figure S1. Thyroid function tests (TSH, T4v and T3v concentrations) and a dose of antithyroid medication during pregnancy of the patients **A)** #266 and **B)** #279 with TSHR CAM Ile640Val mutation. **C)** Graph of gestational age specific reference ranges for total human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG) levels during pregnancy modified from Korevaar et al. (10) showing a peak in the 9th and 10th week of gestation.

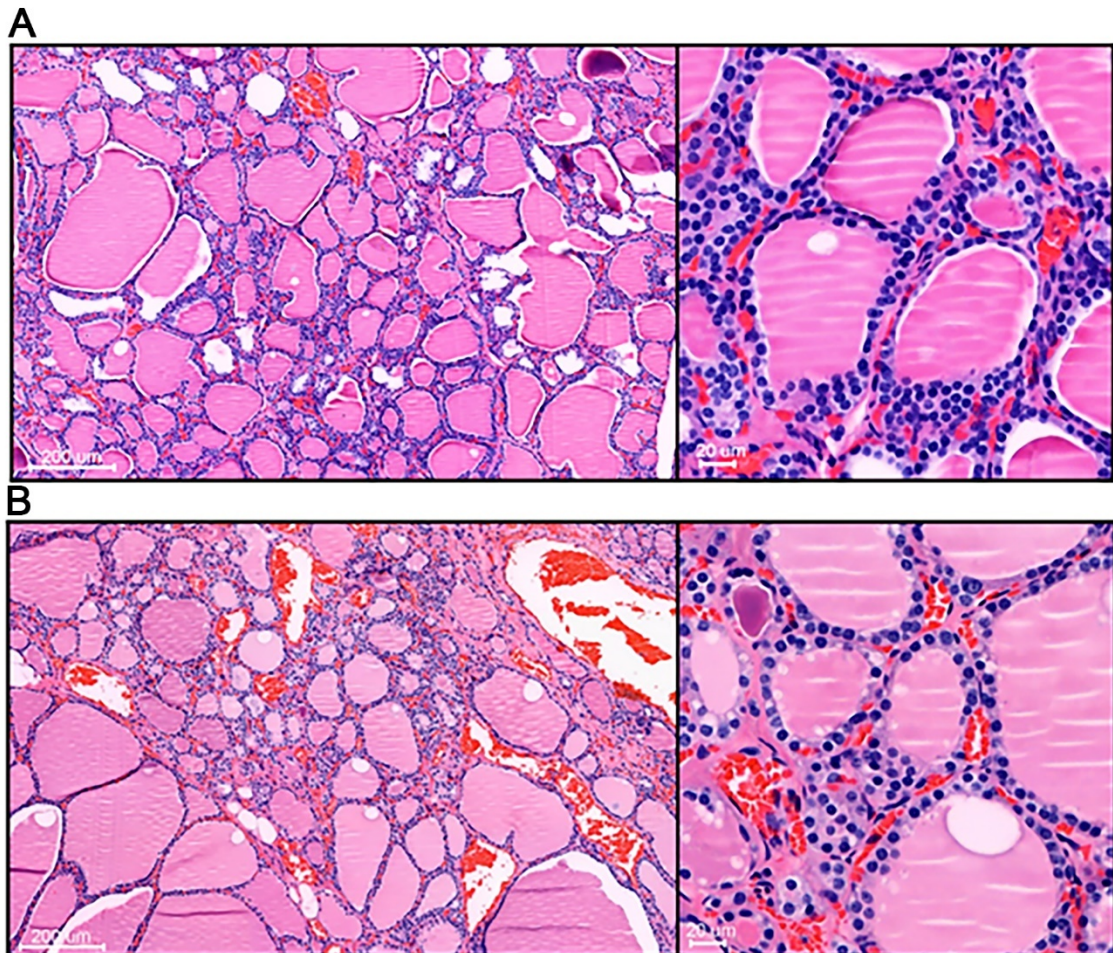


Figure S2. Hematoxylin-eosin-stained thyroid sections of the individuals **A)** #266 and **B)** #280 with TSHR Ile640Val mutation.

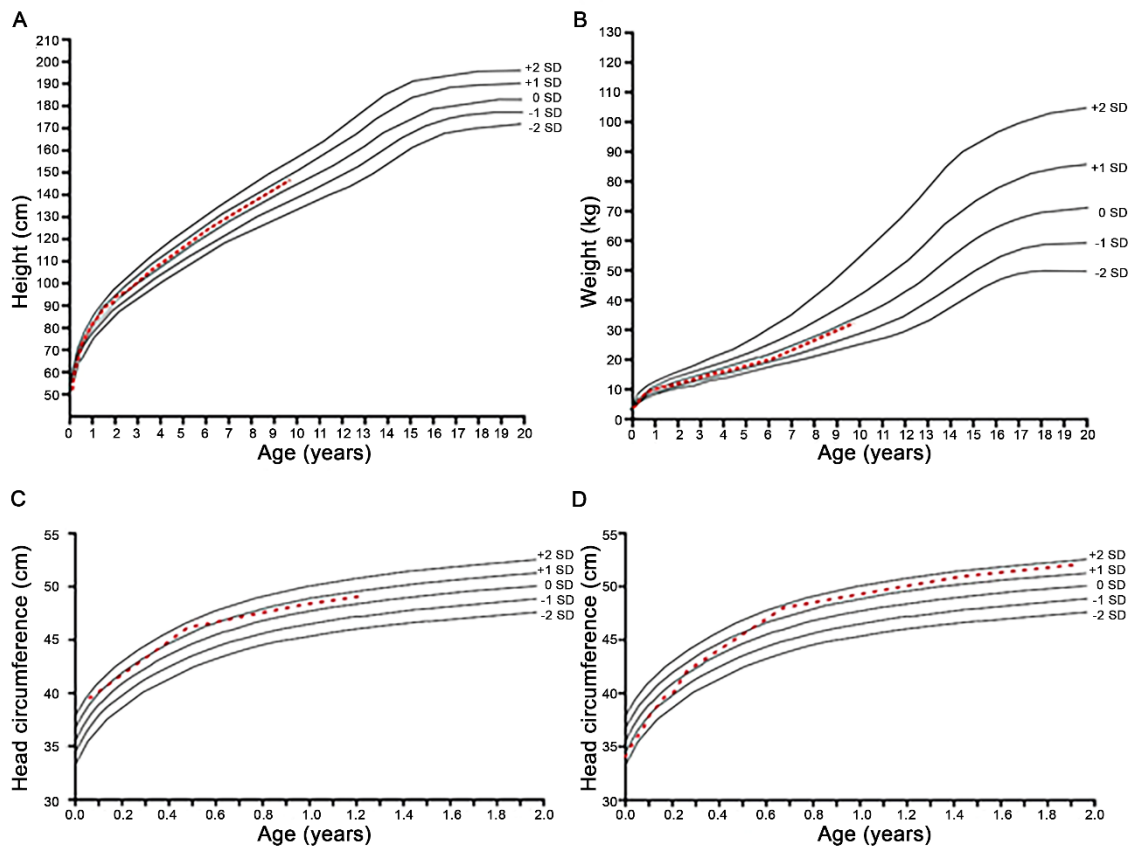


Figure S3. Additional growth-, head growth- and weight curves of the children with TSHR CAM mutations. Patient (#75) with TSHR Ile640Val mutation and subclinical hyperthyroidism showing normal **A)** weight gain, **B)** linear growth, and **C)** head growth. **D)** Head growth curve of the patient (#121) with TSHR L629F mutation during the first two years of his life.

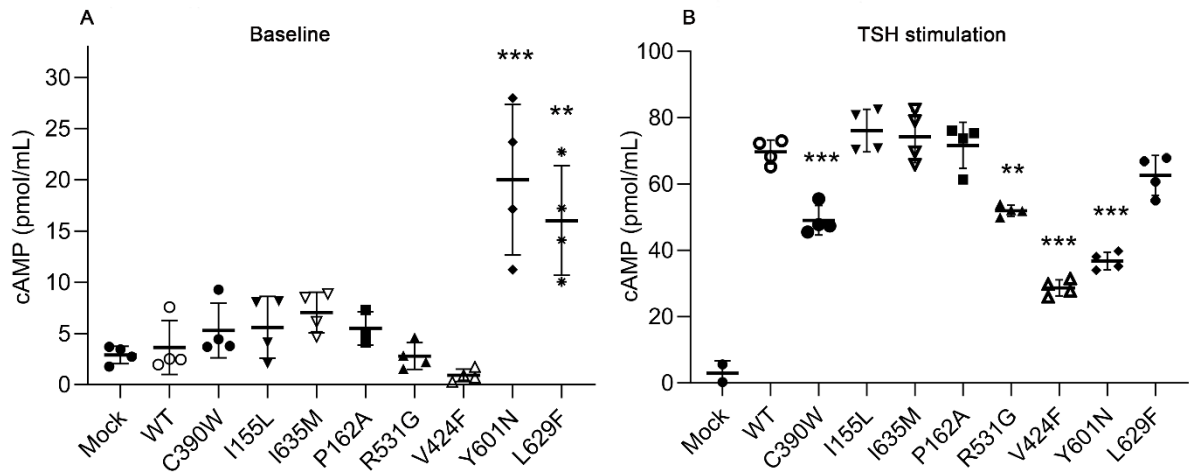


Figure S4. Panel A basal and Panel B TSH-stimulated (10mU/ml, lower panel) cAMP secretion of WT and TSHR mutants detected in FinnGen database. Two previously described constitutively active TSHR mutations Y601N and L629F were used as positive controls. Statistical comparisons were calculated using one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni's multiple comparisons test. ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$.

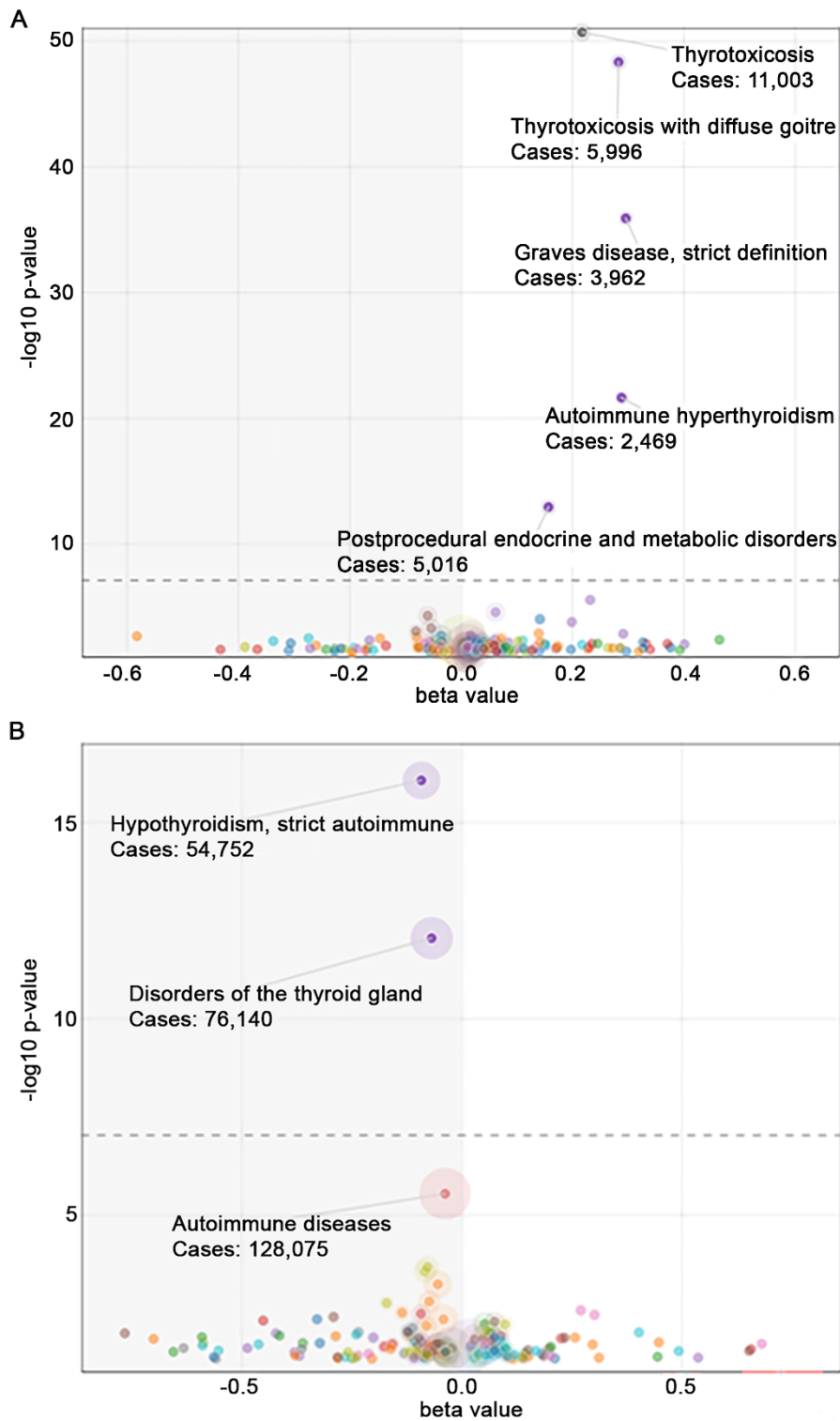


Figure S5. An association of the TSHR variants to disease phenotypes in FinnGen database. Panel A variant rs1023586 (new lead SNP for rs179252 Thyrotoxicosis, TSHR intron 1), and Panel B rs12897126 (TSHR hypothyroidism lead) with the associated risk to hypothyroidism.

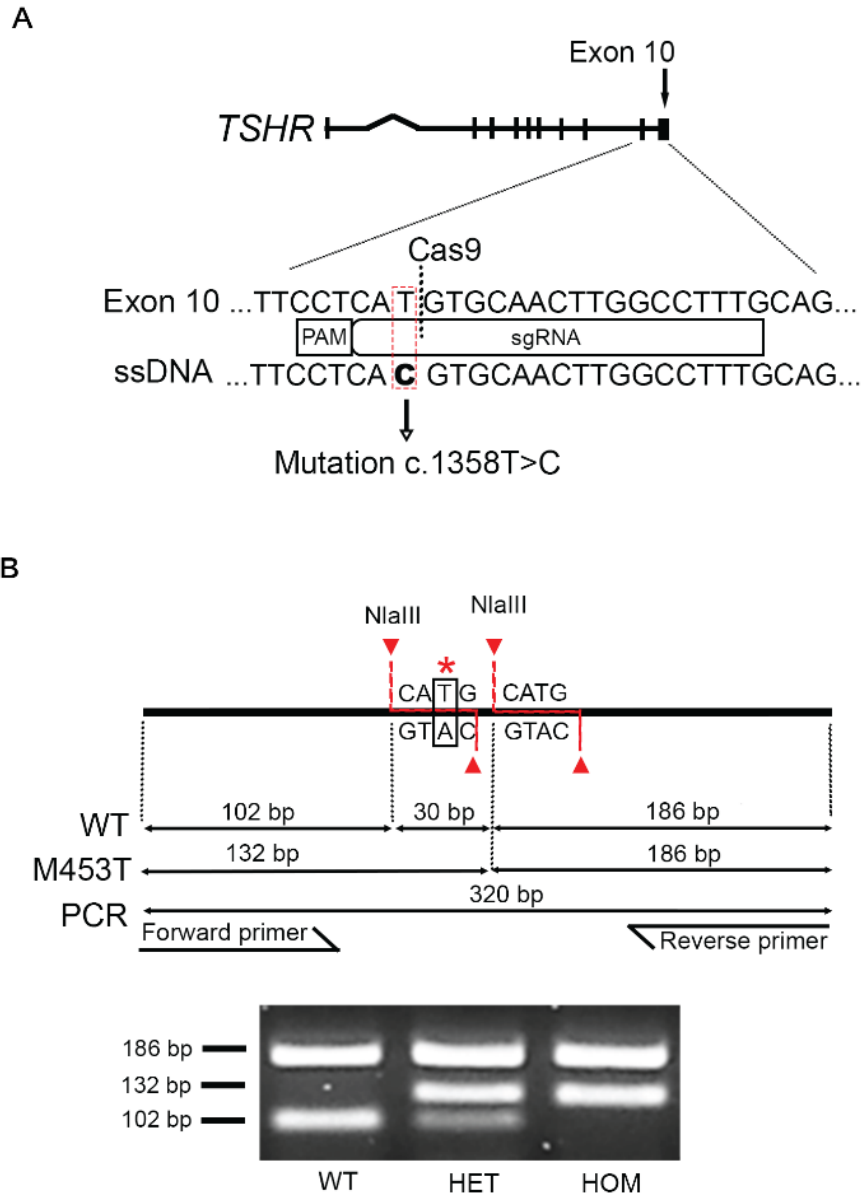


Figure S6. Generation and genotyping of the *TSHR* M453T knock-in mice using CRISPR/Cas9 and homology-directed repair technique. **A)** Genomic location and designed guide RNA (gRNA) construct. **B)** Middle panel shows, PCR primer locations, expected sizes and location of *Nla*III restriction site altered by the *TSHR* c.1358 T>C mutation. Below is an example of agarose gel electrophoresis with different WT, HET, and HOM genotypes after digestion of the PCR product with *Nla*III restriction enzyme.



Figure S7. All TSHR mutations detected in this study by next-generation-sequencing were visualized using the Integrative Genomics Viewer (11). Example IGV pictures of **A)** ID74 and **B)** ID74 with TSHR c.1918A>G, **C)** ID121, TSHR c.1887G>C, **D)** ID137, TSHR c.1555 C>T, **E)** ID229, TSHR c.1897G>C, **F)** ID 230, TSHR c.1801T>A, **G)** ID266, TSHR c.1918 A>G and **H)** ID268 with TSHR c.710G>A mutation.

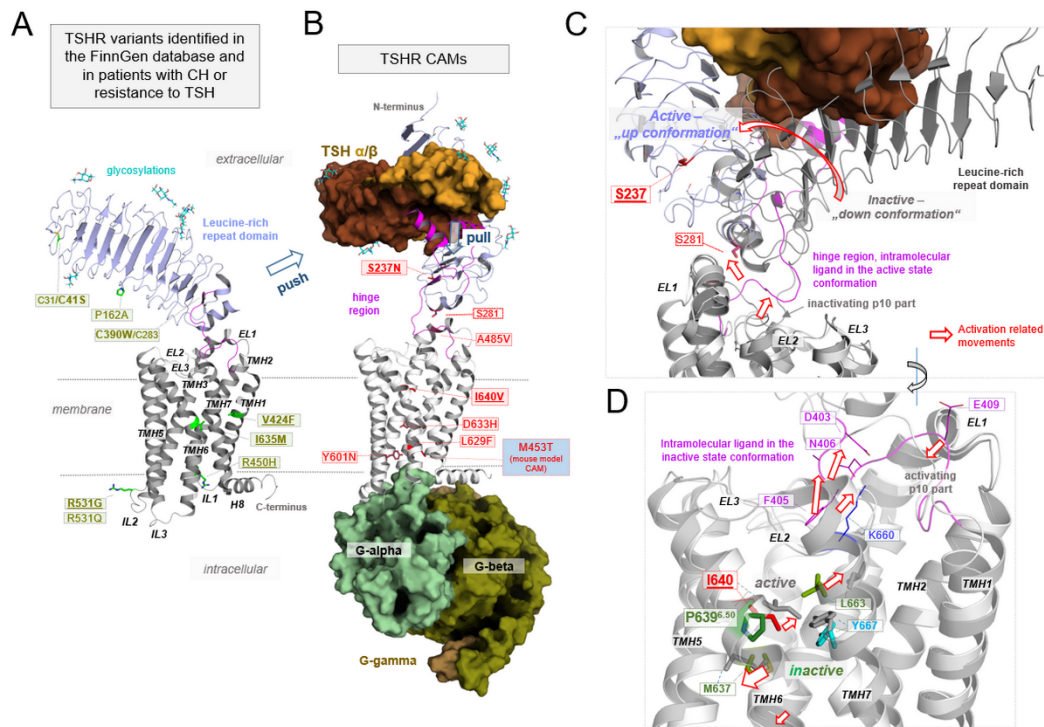


Figure S8. Structural and molecular insights into TSHR variants identified and investigated in this study. Recently determined TSHR WT structures in different activity state conformations were used to highlight the impact of the described TSHR variants on TSHR structure-function relationships. **A)** The inactive state TSHR WT structure (PDB ID 7t9m (12)) with TSHR variants identified in the FinnGen database and in patients with CH or resistance to TSH. Underlined are newly identified variants. **B)** The active WT TSHR state structure (PDB ID 7t9i (13)) is highlighted with the CAMs identified and shown in this study. TSH and the G-protein molecules are presented as surfaces with different colors. The receptor is visualized by a backbone cartoon. The hormone binding induced push-movement of the extracellular LRRD/hinge-TSH complex is indicated, as well as the pull-mechanism via the TSH-hinge interaction. In **C)** and **D)** both complexes are in superimposition for comparison at specific structural regions important to explain molecular backgrounds of receptor activation and the associated potential models of constitutive receptor activation. TMH – transmembrane helix, EL – extracellular loop, IL – intracellular loop.

Supplementary Materials and Methods

Quantitative real-time PCR

TPO and NIS gene expression was studied for female wildtype and homozygous TSHR M453T mice on sufficient- and high-iodine diet using quantitative real-time PCR (RT-PCR). Total RNA was extracted from thyroid tissue using NucleoSpin RNA isolation kit (MACHEREY-NAGEL GmbH & Co.). For cDNA synthesis, 300ng RNA was treated with deoxyribonuclease I (Invitrogen™) and reverse transcribed using SensiFAST cDNA Synthesis Kit (meridian BIOSCIENCETM). A cDNA dilution of 1:10 was used for RT-PCR (BIO-RAD- CFX96 Real-Time System), performed using Power SYBR® Green PCR Master Mix (Applied Biosystems, Inc.). All the experiments were conducted according to the manufacturer's protocol. The samples were run in duplicates. PPIA was used as an endogenous control for normalization. The primer sequences used for TPO, NIS and PPIA (Supplemental Table S4) have been previously published (14). The relative fold change was calculated using $2^{-\Delta\Delta Ct}$ method. Statistical analysis was performed using GraphPad Prism 10.

Ethics statement and materials and methods related to FinnGen analysis

Study subjects in FinnGen provided informed consent for biobank research, based on the Finnish Biobank Act. Alternatively, separate research cohorts, collected prior the Finnish Biobank Act came into effect (in September 2013) and start of FinnGen (August 2017), were collected based on study-specific consents and later transferred to the Finnish biobanks after approval by Fimea (Finnish Medicines Agency), the National Supervisory Authority for Welfare and Health. Recruitment protocols followed the biobank protocols approved by Fimea. The Coordinating Ethics Committee of the Hospital District of Helsinki and Uusimaa (HUS) statement number for the FinnGen study is Nr HUS/990/2017.

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Clinical characteristics

Clinical characteristics of familial and sporadic NAH and cases with toxic thyroid nodules

Family A was nonconsanguineous kindred of Polish origin, with overt NAH across three generations (Figure 1). The age at presentation of clinical symptoms and diagnosis ranged from 10 to 40 years. All patients had plasma TSH and free T4 (fT4) concentrations below and above the reference range, respectively, and undetectable levels of TSHR antibodies at diagnosis. The index case (#270) and his cousin (#271) were diagnosed at 13 and 10 years of age, respectively, and are currently being treated with a standard dose of methimazole. Three other family members (#268, #269 and #273) showed persistent hyperthyroidism, and underwent thyroidectomy and radioiodine treatments. Individual #270 presented acceleration of linear growth together with advanced bone age and a decrease in body weight at the time of diagnosis, typical for pediatric hyperthyroidism. There was no history of osteoporosis or fractures among the family members. Moreover, all other biochemical tests were normal in hyperthyroid cases (Figure 1 and Supplemental Table S1).

Families B and C were Finnish nonconsanguineous kindreds. Every child had normal umbilical TSH values at neonatal screening for congenital hypothyroidism (CH) (Supplemental Table S1). All affected individuals were initially diagnosed with subclinical hyperthyroidism and had suppressed serum TSH, but normal fT4 and free T3 (fT3) levels. However, individuals #266, #279 and #280 developed typical hyperthyroid symptoms during several years of follow-up and a low/normal dose of antithyroid medication was initiated. All affected individuals had a relapse of hyperthyroidism after cessation of 12-18 months of antithyroid treatment. Antithyroid medication was continued in individual #279 and thyroidectomy was performed for individuals #280 and #266 at the ages of 46 and 19, respectively. Interestingly, two individuals (#266 and #279) of family B (Supplemental Figure S1) had mostly subclinical hyperthyroidism prior to pregnancy, which rapidly worsened during the first trimester of pregnancy with an increase in free T4 and T3 levels and required treatment adjustment. The radioiodine uptake of patient #266 was increased to 51% (reference range: 17 - 42%). The thyroid histology of patients #266 and #280 revealed typical thyroid hyperplasia with variable-sized follicles (Supplemental Figure S2).

In the family C, the index patient (#74) underwent thyroid function tests due to essential hypertension at the age of 24 years. At diagnosis of subclinical hyperthyroidism, her TSH concentration was below detection limit (0.06 mU/L, reference: 0.5 - 3.6 mU/L), but fT4 (17 pmol/L, reference: 9.0 -19 pmol/l) and fT3 (5.5 pmol/L, reference: 2.6 - 6 pmol/L)

concentrations were in range (**Figure 1**). The patient had no hyperthyroid symptoms, and thyroid imaging, bone density, or fT4 levels remained within the normal over 20 years of follow-up. The patient's son's (#75) serum TSH and fT4 levels were measured routinely, and subclinical hyperthyroidism was diagnosed based on suppressed serum TSH but normal fT4 concentrations. Follow-up revealed normal bone age, linear growth, BMI, head growth, weight gain, and neurological development (**Supplemental Figure S3 and Table S1**). Antibody tests for TSHR, thyroglobulin, and thyroid peroxidase were also negative, and thyroid ultrasound imaging was normal for both subjects in family C.

In the family D, the index case (#293) and his brother developed overt symptomatic NAH at the age of 13 months and 3 years, respectively, while the patients' mother and the sibling were asymptomatic. At the time of recruitment, his father had low serum TSH, but normal fT4 concentration with no hyperthyroid symptoms (**Figure 1**).

Patients with sporadic nonautoimmune congenital hyperthyroidism and toxic thyroid nodules

Patient #121 was born at 37 + 6 weeks of gestation as a third child to euthyroid parents with no history of thyroid disease (**Supplemental Table S1**). There were no complications or symptoms of hyperthyroidism during pregnancy or delivery, and no TSHR-stimulating antibodies were detected in the serum of the child or the mother. The umbilical cord blood TSH concentration, measured at birth during routine hypothyroidism screening, was below the detection limit. Diagnosis of hyperthyroidism was confirmed at the first day of life with very high serum fT4 concentration (73.3 pmol/L, reference: 10 - 36 pmol/l) and TSH below the detection limit (<0.03 mU/L) (**Figure 2A**). He had normal linear growth (**Figure 2B**), but head circumference was initially -2 SD in Finnish children but increased to + 2 SD (**Supplemental Figure S3**). A total thyroidectomy was performed at the age of 6.6 years due to the permanent requirement for antithyroid medication and high variation in thyroid function test, as illustrated in **Figure 2A**. Thyroidectomy led to severe complications including transient bilateral palsy of the laryngeal nerve, permanent hypocalcemia and significant weight gain (**Figure 2C**). While thyroid ultrasound showed a normal size and location, the iodine uptake test revealed a relatively high accumulation of radioactivity in both lobes (**Figure 2D**). Histological analysis of the thyroid showed normal follicles of variable size, several follicles with vacuoles, and homogenous colloid staining (**Figure 2E**).

We studied two children (#229 and 230) with typical hyperthyroid symptoms, no stimulating TSHR antibodies and overt hyperthyroidism in thyroid function tests at diagnosis

(serum TSH levels 0.06 and <0.03 mU/L, reference: 0.51 - 4.3 mU/L; fT4 23.6 and 31.5 pmol/L, reference: 7.7 -12.6 pmol/L) at the age of 12 and 10 years, respectively. Thyroid ultrasound revealed a single nodule in the right lobe (#229, **Figure 3A**) and multiple nodules and hemigoiter in the other patient (#230). In both cases, the thyroid ^{99m}Tc pertechnetate scan revealed high radioactive tracer uptake specifically in the nodules (**Figure 3B**). The patients underwent hemithyroidectomy without complications, and hyperthyroidism was resolved. Histological analysis revealed that the nodules consisted of follicles of variable sizes, with only a small amount of colloid, a thick thyrocyte epithelial layer (**Figure 3C**), and diffuse hyperplastic thyrocytes in multiple nodules (**Figure 3D**).

Genetic screening of *TSHR* mutations in patients with CH or resistance to TSH

We previously utilized a thyroid gene panel to screen for mutations in individuals with congenital hypothyroidism (CH) (15) and found twins with a heterozygous variant in *TSHR* (Arg519Cys) (#67 and 68, **Supplemental Table S2**). Here, we performed segregation analysis of the family members and found that the father (#137) was a euthyroid carrier and lacked an additional rare thyroglobulin variant (TG, c.6952G>A, p.Asp2318Asn), that the twins and euthyroid mother possessed (#139, **Table S2**). Furthermore, in a new cohort of 30 patients with CH or resistance to TSH (RTSH), we identified a known pathogenic homozygous *TSHR* mutation (p.Pro162Ala) (16) in a child with RTSH diagnosed before 7 years of age (#143, **Supplemental Tables S1 and S2**). The patient's parents were heterozygous carriers with slightly elevated serum TSH concentrations (#144 and #145, **Supplemental Table S1**). Moreover, the same heterozygous *TSHR* p.Pro162Ala mutation was detected in a 3-year-old patient with RTSH (TSH: 10-12 mIU/L, reference: 0.5 - 3.6 mIU/L, and normal fT4), with negative TPO autoantibody tests and normal neonatal TSH screening.

Extended structural and mechanistic insights into the I640V and S273N CAMs

*To explore the mechanism leading to constitutive receptor activation by the newly identified natural variant p.I640V, some general and detailed aspects of receptor activation, previously (17) and recently (12) received, must be considered. Activation of the TSHR and other GPHRs is related to hormone binding (or activating antibodies in the case of TSHR), which induces a strong relative movement of specific extracellular parts (red arrows in **Figure S8C,D**), constituted by the LRRD and the hinge region (**Figure S8A versus S8B**). This “ridged body movement” leads to strong modifications in the disulfide bridge linked more flexible hinge part directly adjacent to TMH1. This C-terminal hinge part is the p10 region with highly essential amino acids for receptor activity regulation. The p10 is a subunit of a so-called “intramolecular agonistic unit” comprised of diverse receptor fragments from the LRRD (e.g. Ser281), the hinge region (Asp403-Gly414), and the TMD (e.g. EL2, TMH7) assembled in a tight spatial unit. Comparison of molecular details between the new inactive and active state TSHR structures reveal, that amino acid residues of the p10 region (e.g. D403 to N406) are released from interactions involved in maintaining the inactive state (termed here “inactivator component”) (**Figure S8C**, not shown in details), which is supported by CAMs reported at these positions (18). In consequence, Phe405 centrally located between EL2 and TMH7, gets dislocated and shifts upwards, whereby a tight hydrophobic package of amino acids surrounding this phenylalanine gets interrupted (e.g. Ile568, Met572). This process is accompanied or enables a shift in the C-terminal part of the structurally flexible p10 region (Glu409) towards TMH7 (Lys660), which moves inward to the central core of the TMD. This re-arrangement is then stabilized by a newly formed Glu409-Lys660 salt bridge (between hinge (termed here “activator component”) -TM7) (**Figure S8D**). This extracellular process, which is in principal agreement to the previously supposed switching of the ectodomain from a tethered inverse agonist to an agonist, can now be determined more precisely to a spatially very restricted “intramolecular ligand”. Modulation of this finally leads to strong modifications in the close TMH7-TMH6 interface, which is essential for maintaining the receptor in an inactive and in the active state conformations. The relative movement of TMH7 during p10 activation causes a loss of interactions one-turn below Lys660 (membrane-embedded) between Leu633, Tyr667 (TMH7), and Ile640 in TMH6. Thereby induced movement of the Ile640 side chain is directly coupled to Pro639 (according to the unifying Ballesteros & Weinstein class A GPCR numbering system P6.50), which participates in the constitution of the TMH6 helix-kink that is pivotal for TMH6 outward movement during receptor activation. This TMH6 movement – a hallmark of class A GPCR activation in G-protein coupling - is*

further reflected and supported by a strong dislocation of the Met637 side chain, which is in the group of GPHRs at position 6.48 instead of the more class A GPCR common Trp/Phe6.48 (toggle switch tryptophan).

*The mutation p.S237N is specifically interesting as it is located at the extracellular leucine rich repeat (LRR) 9, whereby the entire LRR domain is constituted by 11 repeats (amino acids Cys24-Asn288, **Figure S8C**). Moreover, Ser237 is not in the hormone binding site and not in a direct contact to any other side chain in the LRRD or in the TMD. This is in stark contrast to the known extracellular CAMs in position Ser281 (48–50). Ser281 is close to the TMD and especially the EL1, which brings the Ser281 side chain in direct spatial relation to the tethered ligand-associated activation mechanism. This explains from a structural perspective why at this residue receptor activation (red arrows in **Figure S8C, D** indicating structural shifts from inactive to active state conformations) can be initiated by a mutation in contrast to position Ser237 without any intra- or intermolecular interaction partner. Of note, further side-chain variations p.S237A, p.S237D, p.S237V did not result in constitutive activation, and this TSHR CAM cannot be hyperstimulated by an increased affinity of CG to TSHR (**Figure 3D**), which altogether supports a specific activation mechanism for variant p.S237N.*

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