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Software and code

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Data collection samtools 1.9; bcftools 1.16; perl 5.

Data analysis rsvr 1.0 (<https://github.com/turrogrouprsvr>); bcftools 1.16; samtools 1.9; perl 5; R 3.6.2; R packages Matrix 1.2-18, dplyr 0.8.5, bit64 0.9-7, bit 1.1-14, DBI 1.1.0, RSQLite 2.1.4, BeviMed 5.7, ontologyIndex 2.12, ontologySimilarity 2.7, ggplot2 3.5.0.

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Genetic and phenotypic data for the 100KGP study participants, the 100KGP Pilot study participants and the GMS participants are available through the Genomics England Research Environment via the application at <https://www.genomicsengland.co.uk/join-a-gecip-domain>. Data pertaining to: WGS data were obtained from a merged variant call format file (VCF) for 77,539 100KGP participants, a merged VCF for 4,054 100KGP Pilot participants, single genome VCFs for 25,289 GMS

participants (v3) and single sample gVCFs for 13,037 NBR participants; HPO phenotype data from the 'rare_diseases_participant_phenotype' table (Main Programme v13), 'observation' table (GMS v3) and 'hpo' table (Rare Diseases Pilot v3); Specific Disease class data from the 'rare_diseases_participant_disease' table (Main Programme v13); ICD10 codes from the 'hes_apc' table (Main Programme v13); pedigree information from the 'rare_diseases_pedigree_member' table (Main Programme v13), 'referral_participant' table (GMS v3), and 'pedigree' table (Rare Diseases Pilot v3); explained/unexplained status of cases from the 'gmc_exit_questionnaire' tables (Main Programme v18, GMS v3). Accession codes for NBR data are given in ref.[PMID:32581362]. CADD v.1.5 (<https://cadd.gs.washington.edu/>), gnomAD v.3.0 (<https://gnomad.broadinstitute.org/>) and Ensembl v.104 (<http://may2021.archive.ensembl.org/index.html>) were used for variant annotation.

Human research participants

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Reporting on sex and gender	Breakdown by genetically determined sex for the 100KGP discovery collection as provided in the Genomics England Research Environment: 40,332 female; 35,511 male; 1,696 not available.
Population characteristics	Collection of rare disease participants and relatives covering a wide range of pathologies. Breakdown by genetically determined most probable ancestry for the 100KGP discovery collection as provided in the Genomics England Research Environment: African: 2,762, Admixed American: 3,006; East Asian: 573; European: 63,493; South Asian: 7,705. Ages of 100KGP participants ranged between 0 and 110, with a lower quartile of 27, a median of 42 and an upper quartile of 58, with 18.4% under 18 overall.
Recruitment	Participants were identified by clinicians as eligible for recruitment to the 100,000 Genomes Project or for clinical testing through the United Kingdom's National Health Service Genomic Medicine Centres. The eligibility criteria are available from the Genomics England web site (https://www.genomicsengland.co.uk). Two cases were enrolled to the NIHR BioResource Rare Diseases (see https://doi.org/10.1038/s41586-020-2434-2 for more information on recruitment to that study). The studies were presented to eligible patients or their guardians by their clinicians widely across the health system, minimising selection bias subject to the enrolment criteria.
Ethics oversight	Participants of the 100KGP, the 100KGP Pilot Project and the GMS were enrolled to the National Genomic Research Library under a protocol approved by the East of England–Cambridge Central Research Ethics Committee (ref: 20/EE/0035). NBR participants were enrolled under a protocol approved by the East of England Cambridge South Research Ethics Committee (ref: 13/EE/0325). The Ethics Committee of University Hospitals Leuven approved genetic and experimental studies of a pedigree enrolled to the NBR in Belgium (ML3580/S50025 and S63666). Only participants who provided written informed consent for their data to be used for research were included in the analyses.

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Sample size	Statistical power to identify genetic associations with rare diseases depends on various factors including the sample sizes and genetic homogeneities of case groups. To our knowledge, a formal sample size calculation was not performed for the 100,000 Genomes Project. However, the study was informed by previous smaller studies showing sufficient power (see references in Turro et al. (2020), Nature).
Data exclusions	None.
Replication	Replication was achieved by analyzing genomes in the three collections other than the 100KGP discovery collection: the 100KGP Pilot project, the NIHR BioResource–Rare Diseases and the Genomic Medicine Service.
Randomization	Recruitment and genome sequencing were performed concurrently across rare disease categories, thus randomizing the order in which individuals were sequenced with respect to phenotype.
Blinding	This is an observational genetic study, not a clinical trial. As genome sequencing followed enrolment, participants and investigators were unaware of the participant genotypes generated by the 100KGP at enrolment.

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