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Exome Sequencing Identifies Truncating Mutations in Human *SERPINF1* **in Autosomal-Recessive Osteogenesis Imperfecta**

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2 **Figure S1. Overview of all Identified Homozygous Regions.** The graph shows the identified homozygous regions on chromosomes 1, 6, 11 and 17 (y-axis, ratio of variant reads/all reads per SNP position; x-axis, genomic position on the respective chromosome). Each dot represents one of the SNP markers that were included in the analysis. SNPs within a region that was called as homozygous are colored in purple. The position along the y-axis indicates whether all reads or just a fraction of reads contained a certain variant. To identify homozygous regions in an unbiased genome-wide fashion, all autosomal SNP genotypes were considered, not only variants identified in the course of the initial quality filtering step of the exome data analysis (i.e., differences from the reference genome). We extracted the genotypes of all autosomal SNPs annotated in dbSNP130 that had a read coverage of at least 15-fold. This resulted in a total of 299,494 genotypes (38,927 SNPs on chromosome 1, 21,275 on chromosome 6, 16,279 on chromosome 11 and 18,031 on chromosome 17). Variants displaying in ≥95% of all reads an identical SNP allele were considered to be homozygous, SNPs with 30% to 70% variation reads were considered to be heterozygous, and SNPs with <30% or with more than 70% and less than 95% variation reads were considered ambiguous. A genomic region was identified as a homozygous stretch if at least 500 consecutive SNP markers were called as homozygous, with a maximum tolerance of two heterozygous SNPs per 500 markers (to account for possible sequencing or mapping errors). The genomic positions of all homozygous regions are highlighted by purple bars. The two homozygous regions on chromosome 17 are just separated by a few heterozygous variants, possibly false-positives, i.e. mapping artifacts in a cluster of olfactory receptor genes (stretch of 111 SNPs with 14 heterozygous calls, chr17:3,091,589-3,299,082), and therefore likely represents one homozygous stretch of more than 4.5Mb.

Figure S2. Pedigrees of Three OI Families with *SERPINF1* **Mutations.** Affected family members carry a number sign (#1 to #4). The genotypes of the patients, of their healthy siblings and of their parents are displayed, with mut indicating a mutated allele and wt indicating the wildtype allele. **(A)** Pedigree of the index family from the United Arab Emirates. The patients´ parents are second cousins.

(B) Pedigree of patient #3. The family originates from Turkey. The patient´s parents are half first cousins, i. e., their fathers are half siblings. **(C)** Pedigree of patient #4. The family originates from Turkey. The patient´s parents are first cousins.

Figure S3. Electropherograms of *SERPINF1* **Mutations Obtained by Sanger Sequencing.** The coding exons of *SERPINF1* (NM_002615.4) were PCR-amplified from genomic DNA and analyzed by direct sequencing on an ABI3100 capillary sequencer. Primer sequences can be obtained upon request. (**A)** Electropherograms of individuals which carried the wild-type allele (wt) or the mutated allele c.324_325dupCT (mut) on one or both copies of *SERPINF1* exon 4. The position of the mutation is marked with an arrow. The two inserted nucleotides and the premature stop codon resulting from the frame-shift are framed in black. Note the "double" sequence downstream of the insertion in the heterozygous mutation carrier. This mutation was identified in patient #3. (**B)** Electropherograms of individuals which carried the wild-type allele (wt) or the mutated allele c.1132C>T (mut) on one or both copies of *SERPINF1* exon 8. The position of the mutation is marked with an arrow. The affected codon is framed in black. This mutation was identified in patient #4.

Figure S4. *SERPINF1* **cDNA Analysis.** RNA was isolated from whole blood of patient #3, his father and a control individual using standard methods. First strand cDNA synthesis was performed with the ReverseAidTM-Kit (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, Massachusetts, USA). In the upper panel, the exon/intron structure of *SERPINF1* is depicted and the locations of the forward and reverse primer used for the subsequent cDNA amplification are given. Primer sequences can be obtained upon request. The resulting cDNA fragment encompasses the frameshift mutation c.324_325dupCT in exon 4 of *SERPINF1*. This cDNA fragment could be amplified from RNA of the control individual, of patient #3 and of the patient´s father. Sanger sequencing revealed, as expected, that the control individual carried the wildtype sequence (wt / wt) and that patient #3 was homozygous for the CT duplication (mut / mut). In the father of patient #3, the cDNA sequence of the mutated allele was only detectable as a faint background signal behind the wildtype sequence. The red arrow marks the beginning of the overlay or "double" sequence that can be observed in heterozygous carriers of insertion mutations. Sanger sequencing on genomic DNA derived from the patient´s father displayed equally strong signals for the mutated and the wildtype allele (lower panel). This observation suggests that the number of mutated transcripts serving as templates for the RT-PCR reaction is strongly reduced compared to the number of transcripts with the wildtype sequence, most certainly as a result of nonsensemediated mRNA decay.

Figure S5. Whole Body DXA Scans of Three Patients with *SERPINF1* **Mutations.** The scans were performed with the DXA-machine *GE Lunar Prodigy* (GE Healthcare, Pollards Wood, United Kingdom). The pictures show patient #2 at the age of 15.9 years, patient #3 at 5.9 years, and patient #4 at 7.8 years. All patients display deformities of their humeri, which is a rather rare finding in patients with OI. Note that all received intramedullar rodding of their femura due to fractures and deformities. **Patient #2** (left picture) is severely adipose, a fact that decreases the quality of the DXA picture. He had multiple fractures of his forearms, resulting in severe deformities, and bowing of his tibiae. Additionally, he is affected by a severe scoliosis. Bisphosphonate and physical treatment started considerably later (at age 11) than in the other patients. **Patient #3** (middle) received additional rodding of his left tibia. He has only a mild scoliosis, but he displays severe bowing of his forearms, especially on the left side. **Patient #4** (right picture) underwent additional surgery of his left humerus with remaining osteosynthetic material. He also has a mild scoliosis.

Figure S6. Development of Vertebral Deformities in Patient #4. Upper Panel: (A) Lateral spine x-ray picture of patient #4 at treatment start with i.v. bisphosphonates at the age of 7 months. **(B-H)** Yearly x-ray follow-up over a treatment period of 7 years. The lumbar vertebrae increased in size during this time and showed a reshaping close to the normal cuboid form. These radiographs are representative for the development in the other three OI patients with *SERPINF1* mutations, all of which received i.v. neridronate treatment. Patient #4 was selected for presentation as there is the longest follow-up available. **Middle** Panel: Schematic illustration of vertebral deformities of patient #4 during the treatment period with i.v. bisphosphonates. Vertebrae L1 – L5 on the lateral spine radiograms shown above were analyzed with an established 8-point measurement method and later converted into the schematic view. **Lower panel:** Anterior-posterior index of lumbar vertebra of patient #4 over a period of 7 years. The index is calculated by dividing the measured anterior height (in mm) by the posterior height (in mm). This method is established to quantify the reshaping of vertebral compression fractures in children with OI.^{1; 2} A normalization of the anterior-posterior index close to the ratio of 1.0 can be observed over the treatment period.

Figure S7. Collagen analysis. Pepsin-treated procollagens from medium and cell layers produced by fibroblasts from patient #3 and a control (C) were electrophoresed on a 5% SDS-polyacrylamide gel, processed for fluorography, and exposed to X-ray films. The $\alpha_1(I)$, $\alpha_2(I)$, $\alpha_1(V)$, $\alpha_2(V)$, $\alpha_3(V)$, and $\alpha_1(III)$]₃ chains, and β components are indicated. The patient's collagens migrate similarly to those from the control.

Figure S8. Collagen Synthesis and Secretion Analysis. Pulse-chase experiments were performed as follows: Fibroblasts of a healthy control individual $(=$ "-" in the figure), of patient #3 from this study, and of a type II OI patient $(=$ "+" in the figure, serves as a positive control for delayed collagen secretion due to a p.Gly988Cys mutation in the α 1(I) chain³) were grown to confluence in DMEM and 10% FCS, and then plated $(2.5x10^5$ cells) in 35-mm dishes. Cells were stimulated overnight with ascorbic acid supplementation $(50 \mu g/ml)$, and before labelling, medium was changed and DMEM (lacking serum, proline and glycine), supplemented with ascorbic acid $(50\mu g/ml)$, was added. Cells were labelled 4 h with 20 μ Ci $\left[\right]$ ³H]-proline and 20 μ Ci $\left[\right]$ ³H]-glycine, and then chased with fresh DMEM supplemented with 2 mM cold proline and 2 mM cold glycine. The medium $(=$ "M" in the figure) and cell (= $^{\circ}$ C" in the figure) layers were harvested separately for each sample at 5 min, 30 min, 1h, 2h and 4h chases, and digested with pepsin (50 μ g/ml) overnight at 4 \degree C. Purified collagens were separated on 5% SDS-PAGE. Note that the fibroblasts of the healthy control individual and of our patient #3 almost completely secreted the α 1(I) and α 2(I) chains within the first hour, whereas fibroblasts from the positive control still retained collagens intracellularly, a portion of which formed α 1(I) di-sulfid bonded dimers.³

Table S1. Exome Sequencing Statistics

Table S2. Prioritization Scheme for Exome Data Analysis

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The in-house database consists of data from in-house exome resequencing projects of patients with rare syndromes (425,529 variants), from the 1000 genomes project, and of published data from various studies $(3,097,878$ variants in total).⁴⁻⁶

Table S3. Homozygous Regions Identified when Considering all SNP (dbSNP 130) Genotypes Covered >15-Fold by Exome Sequencing Data

Table S4. Three Novel Homozygous Variants that are Non-Synonymous and Overlap with Homozygous Regions

Chromosome	position	reference	mutation	reads	variation reads	% variation	Abberation	Gene name	Gene id	Reference Amino Acid	Mutation Amino Acid	phyloP	Grantham Score
chr.	62,399,185			39	39	100	substitution	INADL	NM 176877		М	-0.93714	81
chr	82, 181, 925	A		103	103	100	substitution	LPHN ₂	NM 012302			2.58217	43
chr17	1.625.154			18.	18	100	substitution	SERPINF1	NM 002615		$\overline{ }$	0.994354	NA

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