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SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

***ALDH1A3* Mutations Cause Recessive Anophthalmia and Microphthalmia**

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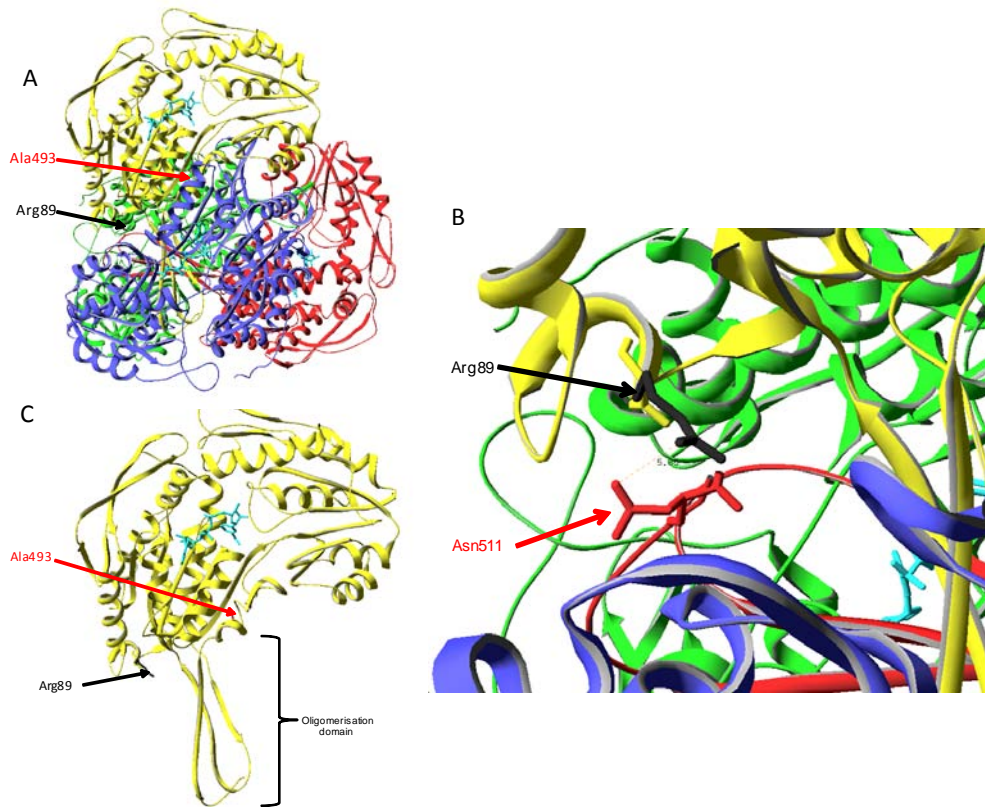


Figure S1. Ribbon Representation of the Human ALDH1A3 Tetramer

The 2.35 Å coordinate set for the tetrameric sheep liver class 1 aldehyde dehydrogenase with NAD bound (pdb code: 1BXS) was used as a template for modeling the human ALDH1A3 protein (71,3% sequence identity). (A) Each of the four monomers is shown in different colors (yellow, blue, green and red, respectively). The four catalytic pockets are visualized with the four NAD co-crystallized with the sheep ALDH1 (1BXS) and are shown in light blue. (B) Magnification of the region around the Arg89 residue of a monomer. The interaction with the Asn511 residue at a distance of 5 Å in another monomer is shown. The replacement of the Arg89 by a cysteine is predicted to alter the interaction between the monomers. (C) Ribbon representation of a monomer (yellow) bound to NAD (light blue) showing the oligomerization domain and the position of the two residues affected by A/M mutations. The p.Ala493Pro mutation is predicted to alter severely the oligomerization domain of the enzyme.

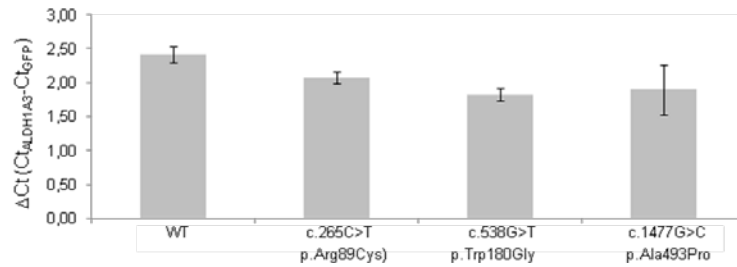


Figure S2. Relative Expression of GFP and ALDH1A3 mRNA in HEK293 Cells Measured by RT-qPCR

HEK293 cells were co-transfected with pCAG-GFP and pCMV6-Entry-ALDH1A3-WT-cMyc, pCMV6-Entry-ALDH1A3-Arg89Cys-cMyc, pCMV6-Entry-ALDH1A3-Trp180Gly-cMyc, pCMV6-Entry-ALDH1A3-Ala493Pro-cMyc plasmids, respectively. Total mRNA was extracted using the RNeasy Mini Kit (Qiagen, Courtaboeuf, France) according to manufacturer's protocol. cDNAs (5 μ l of a 1:25 dilution in nuclease-free water) were subjected to real-time PCR amplification in a buffer (20 μ l) containing MESA BLUE qPCR Master Mix Plus for Sybr Assay (Eurogentec, Angers, France) and 300 nmol/l of forward and reverse primers, on a Taqman 7900 HT Fast Real-Time PCR System (Applied Biosystems, Courtaboeuf, France). For each cDNA sample, the mean of cycle threshold (Ct) values was calculated from triplicates (SD <0.5 Ct). ALDH1A3 expression levels were normalized by using the relation Δ Ct (Ct_{ALDH1A3} - Ct_{GFP}). Amplification efficiency was calculated for each primer-pair using fourfold serial dilution curves (1:5, 1:25, 1:125, 1:625). No reverse transcriptase and no template control reaction were used as negative controls in each run. The quantitative data are the means \pm SEM of three independent experiments. The graph shows that the expression of the wild-type and mutant *ALDH1A3* mRNAs are in the same range.

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Filter	sub	del	ins	hom	het	Genes
None	47 594	197	199	20 268	27 722	16 634
Heterozygote variants excluded	20 268	0	0			9897
Variants with frequency \geq 1% in dbSNP, EVS, 1000Genome excluded.	834	0	0			689
Variants in UTR, non-coding, intergenic and deep intronic regions and synonymous variants excluded	223	0	0			174
Polyphen and sift prediction beginn excluded	28	0	0			27

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Gene	chr	Start	End	All	sub	ins	del	Coding	Silent	Splicing	Stop
NBPF8	1	144593863	144622156	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
OR2T35	1	248802088	248803059	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
SLC25A22	11	790975	798816	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
SORL1	11	121323412	121504887	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
OR10G7	11	123909273	123910217	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
MSANTD2	11	124636894	124671069	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
ZFH2	14	23990569	24025901	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
AHNAK2	14	105404081	105445194	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
ITGA11	15	68594550	68725002	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
ALDH1A3	15	101402629	101457331	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
CTB-134H23.2	16	29050423	29064547	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
CLEC18B	16	74443029	74456149	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
FASN	17	80036715	80056606	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
TCEB3C	18	44555073	44556949	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
HIF3A	19	46800803	46847190	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
FUT2	19	49199728	49209707	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
RGPD4	2	108443888	108507797	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
PLEKHB2	2	131862920	132111782	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
KRTAP10-6	21	46011649	46012886	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
EIF4G1	3	184032783	184053646	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
LEAP2	5	132208514	132211238	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
PCDHB7	5	140552743	140556457	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
CTAGE9	6	132030081	132032706	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
TRGV9	7	38357118	38358962	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
ZAN	7	100331749	100395919	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
CPSF1	8	145618944	145635253	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
PCSK5	9	78506060	78977755	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0

Table S1. Whole Exome Resequencing Summary. (A) Filtering strategy of the variants resulting in selection of 28 substitutions in 27 genes. sub: substitution, del: deletion, ins: insertion, hom: homozygous, het: heterozygous, UTR: untranslated region. (B) Genes harboring nonsynonymous

homozygote variants predicted to be deleterious or with unknown effect using the Polyphen and SIFT programs. *ALDH1A3* is the only gene located in the 15q26.3 region. Chr: chromosome.

Exon number	Forward sequence (5'-3')	Reverse sequence (5'-3')	Size of amplified product (bp)
1	GAGCGGGCTGCGCAGTGT	CCGAGACGTCCCGCGAAA	354
2	GGTGGACAAGATGGATAAGA	GCCAGTTCTGTCTTATAGCT	299
3	CCAAACTGCAGTCACCTCAA	CACGACCACACAAAACCAG	368
4-5	GGTGCATCTGACTGTGAG	GCTTGTTCAACGCTGGTG	745
6	CCTCCACAAAGGCATCGTTG	GCCACTGTCCCATCTCGT	392
7	GGATGAGAAGCCCAGGTC	GCCTGTCAAAGGAAAAGCTC	376
8	GAGAGCCAGGTGGTGGCA	GCACACATCTTACTCTCAGT	323
9	GCAGCTGTCACCAGTCCT	GGGACCCTGTAGGCGGTT	348
10	GGCTTGACAAGAACATGCAG	AAGGATTTCTGGGATCCCTG	371
11-12	GCTGAAGCAATGTTTGGACG	GCAGATTGGAGCCTGTGTC	1611
13	CTCCAACGGCCTGATGGA	CAGTAGATGTAAAGCCTCCAG	298

Table S2. Primers Used for Mutation Screening of *ALDH1A3*.

Oligonucleotides	Sequence (5'-3')
ALDH1A3-c.265T_forward	GCCTTCCAGAGGGGCTCGCCATGG <u>T</u> GCCGGCTGGATGCCCTGAGTCGT
ALDH1A3-c.265A_reverse	CCCACGACTCAGGGCATCCAGCCGGC <u>A</u> CCATGGCGAGCCCTCTGGAA
ALDH1A3-c.1477C_forward	GAAATGGCAGAGAACTAGGTGAATAC <u>C</u> CTTTGGCCGAATACACAGAAGTG
ALDH1A3-c.1477G_reverse	CACTTCTGTGTATTTCGGCCAAAG <u>G</u> GATTTCACCTAGTTCTCTGCCATTTT
ALDH1A3-c.620C_forward	CATGGTCCTGAAGCCTGCGG <u>C</u> GCAGACACCTCTCACCGCCCTTT
ALDH1A3-c.620G_reverse	AGGGCGGTGAGAGGTGTCTGC <u>G</u> CCGCAGGCTTCAGGACCATGGT

Table S3. Primers Used for Site-Directed Mutagenesis of pCMV6-Entry-*ALDH1A3* Vector

The mutant nucleotides appear in bold underlined.

mRNA	Forward primer (5'-3')	Reverse primer (5'-3')
GFP	GFP-F_TCCAGCAGGACCATGTGATC	(GFP-R)_GTCCGCCCTGAGCAAAGA
ALDH1A3	ALDH1A3-ex12.13F_TGGCAGAGAACTAGGTGA	(c-Myc-R)_GCCAGATCCTCTTCTGAGAT

Table S4. RT-qPCR Primers Used to Assess *ALDH1A3* and *GFP* Expression in Transiently Transfected HEK293 Cells

The use of a primer located in the c-Myc tag with the *ALDH1A3*-ex12.13F allowed specific amplification of the *ALDH1A3* mRNA encoded by the plasmids.