Abnormal development of NG2⁺ PDGFRα⁺ neural progenitor cells leads to neonatal hydrocephalus in a ciliopathy mouse model.

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Supplementary Figure 1



WT

Bbs1 M390R

Supplementary Figure 1 Hydrocephalus in *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} mice is communicating. Sagittal view of adult WT (**a**) and *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} (**b**) mice injected with Evan's Blue dye, showing normal CSF circulation. (**c**,**d**) Histology showing patent cerebral aqueduct in WT (**c**) and *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} (**d**) brains. (**e**,**f**) TEM micrographs of P0 brains showing normal ultrastructure of the choroid plexus epithelium in both WT (**e**) and *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} (**f**) mice. *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} cells appear healthy with microvilli protruding from the apical surface into the lateral ventricle. (**g**) Quantitations of CSF concentrations of Cl⁻ and Na⁺ showing normal ion concentrations in *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} mice ([Na⁺] *P*=0.35, [Cl⁻] *P*=0.10). *n*= at least 3 mice per group and genotype for all experiments. All error bars represent s.e.m and statistical results derive from unpaired *t* tests. Scale bars equal 2 mm (**a**,**b**), 1 mm (**c**,**d**) and 2 µm (**e**,**f**). 3V, third ventricle; Aq, cerebral aqueduct; CM, cisterna magna; LV, lateral ventricle; MV, microvilli; SAS, subarachnoid space.

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Nestin/TUNEL



M390R Bbs1



Nestin/BrdU









NeuN/TUNEL



NeuN/BrdU

Supplementary Figure 2

GFAP/BrdU



Supplementary Figure 2 Normal apoptosis and cell proliferation of Nestin, NeuN, GFAP and O4 positive cells in the SVZ of BBS mutant mice. (**a**,**b**) Representative immunofluorescent images showing the SVZ in brain tissue from post-natal day 3 pups labeled with TUNEL (**a**, green) or BrdU (**b**, red) and Nestin, NeuN, GFAP and O4. No significant differences were found between WT and Bbs1^{M390R/M390R} (**Fig. 3**). BrdU⁺ cells also expressing NeuN were not analyzed because post-mitotic neurons (NeuN⁺) do not divide and no significant overlap was observed. We analyzed at least 3 mice per group and genotype. Scale bars equal 50 µm. LV, lateral ventricle; SVZ, subventricular zone.



NG2⁺

Supplementary Figure 3

$PDGFR\alpha^+$

Olig2⁺

Supplementary Figure 3 Reduced populations of NG2⁺, PDGFRa⁺ and Olig2⁺ cells in the SVZ of Bbs1^{M390R/M390R} mice. Quantitations of NG2⁺, PDGFRa⁺ and Olig2⁺ cells per area in the SVZ of post-natal day 3 Bbs1^{M390R/M390R} mice reveal significantly fewer populations of all three cell types relative to WT mice. Representative images for these analyses may be observed in **Fig. 3b** (NG2⁺, PDGFRa⁺ and Olig2⁺ cells in green). We analyzed at least 3 mice per group and genotype. All error bars represent s.e.m. *p<0.05, results from unpaired *t* tests. LV, lateral ventricle; SVZ, subventricular zone.

NG2/Cre

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Mr. Star Sugar

Olig2/Cre

Supplementary Figure 4

Supplementary Figure 4 Conditional *Bbs1* knockout in neural progenitors leads to communicating hydrocephalus. (a) Quantitations of Bbs1 mRNA levels in four brain regions showing significant reductions in the cortex and hypothalamus in adult Bbs1^{CKO} mice relative to PDGFR α ;Cre (control). (b) Representative immunofluorescent images showing that Cre protein (red) is expressed in periventricular regions, specifically in neural progenitor cells expressing NG2, PDGFRα and Olig2 in both post-natal day 3 PDGFRa;Cre and *Bbs1*^{CKO} mice. Cre is not present in ependymal cells lining the ventricles. (c) Representative images following Evan's blue dye injections into the lateral ventricles. Dye is present throughout the ventricular system and subarachnoid spaces in both the PDGFRα;Cre and the hydrocephalic *Bbs1*^{CKO} adult brains indicating normal ventricular outflow in both mice and communicating (non-obstructive) hydrocephalus in Bbs1^{CKO} mice. (d) Histology in P0 pups showing patent cerebral aqueduct. Scale bars equal 50 μ m (b), 1 mm (c) and 500 μ m (d). All error bars represent s.e.m. *p<0.05, results from unpaired t tests. 3V, third ventricle; CKO, conditional knockout; CM, cisterna magna; LV, lateral ventricle; P, postnatal day

b

NG2/TUNEL

CKO Bbs1

NG2/BrdU

PDGFRa/TUNEL

PDGFRa/BrdU

Supplementary Figure 5

Olig2/BrdU

Supplementary Figure 5 Conditional *Bbs1* knockout disrupts development of NG2+PDGFRa+ neural progenitor cells. (**a**,**b**) Representative immunofluorescent images showing more NG2+ and PDGFRa+ cells labeled with TUNEL (**a**, green) and fewer NG2+ and PDGFRa+ cells labeled with BrdU (**b**, red) in the SVZ of post-natal day 3 PDGFRa;Cre and *Bbs1*^{CKO} brains. No difference was observed between PDGFRa;Cre and *Bbs1*^{CKO} mice in the number of Olig2+ cells (**a**, red and **b**, green) also labeled with TUNEL (**a**) or BrdU (**b**). All quantitations are in **Fig. 4f** and **i**, **bottom**. Scale bar equals 50 µm (**a**,**b**). CKO, conditional knockout; SVZ, subventricular zone.

IP: GFP

Lysates

WB:Flag

WB: GFP

WB:Flag

Supplementary Figure 6

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Gt IgG PDGFRa IP:

Lysate

BBS8

PDGFRα

Supplementary Figure 6 PDGFR α interacts with BBS proteins. (a) Co-transfection of GFP tagged PDGFRa full length and cytoplasmic tail in addition to Flag tagged BBSome subunits and subsequent western blot in 293T cells illustrating an interaction between PDGFR α and several BBSome subunits. The interaction between PDGFR α and the BBSome occurs through the C-terminal cytoplasmic tail of PDGFR α (b) Endogenous PDGFR α immunoprecipitation in P3 mouse cortices and subsequent western blot analyses using endogenous antibodies showing BBS proteins present in the PDGFR α immunoprecipitated but not IgG (control) lanes. These results illustrate an endogenous interaction between PDGFR α and BBS 2, 4, 8 and 9. Immunoblots from total lysates using anti-PDGFR α show equal protein loading in both samples. IP, immunoprecipitation; WB, western blot.

NG2/BrdU

NaC

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N390R BDS

NaC

PDGFRa/BrdU

Supplementary Figure 7

Supplementary Figure 7 Lithium treatment rescues NG2+PDGFRa+ cell proliferation + in *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} mice. Representative immunofluorescent images showing fewer BrdU labeled cells also expressing NG2 and PDGFRa in the SVZ of post-natal day 3 NaCl treated *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} mice relative to WT mice. Lithium treatment increased the number of BrdU+ cells expressing NG2 and PDGFRa in the SVZ of WT and *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} mice relative to NaCl treated WT and *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} mice (quantitations in **Fig. 6e, right**). Scale bars equal 50 µm. LiCl, lithium chloride; SVZ, subventricular zone.

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PDGFRa/TUNEL

Supplementary Figure 8

Olig2/TUNEL

Supplementary Figure 8 Lithium treatment does not modify apoptosis of neural progenitor cells. Representative immunofluorescent images showing more TUNEL labeled cells (green) also labeled with NG2 and PDGFR α (red) in the SVZ of post-natal day 3 NaCl and LiCl treated *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} mice relative to NaCl and LiCl treated WT mice. Lithium treatment did not alter the number of TUNEL⁺ cells also expressing NG2 and PDGFR α in *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} relative to NaCl treated *Bbs1*^{M390R/M390R} mice (quantitations in **Fig 6g, right**). Scale bars equal 50 µm. LiCl, lithium chloride; SVZ, subventricular zone.