TGFB2 loss of function mutations cause familial thoracic aortic aneurysms and acute aortic dissections associated with mild systemic features of the Marfan syndrome

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Supplementary note

Family Recruitment, Characterization, and Sample Collection

For the Houston cohort, the study protocol was approved by the Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, and the study participants gave informed consent to participate in these studies. Families with two or more members affected with TAAD were enrolled into the study. Phenotypic characterization of vascular diseases, including TAAD and ICAs, was previously described¹. Specifically in this paper, individuals with aortic root measurements and Z scores over 2.0 were scored as positive². Blood or saliva samples were obtained from affected individuals and family members. Surgical aortic and/or skin biopsy tissue were also obtained from affected members when possible. Medical records, including imaging studies of the aorta and cerebral vessels, surgical reports, hospital records, and physicians' notes, were reviewed. Phenotypic features beyond the vascular system, including features of Marfan syndrome and Loeys-Dietz syndrome, were assessed in *TGFB2* mutation carriers examined by a clinical geneticist (DMM)^{3, 4}. Tissue was harvested and SMCs explanted as previously described^{5, 6}. Control aortic tissue was obtained from the International Institute for the Advancement of Medicine from individuals who died of non-vascular disease and age- and gender-matched to the patients as closely as possible (n = 2).

French probands and families were recruited through the National Reference Center for Marfan syndrome and related disorders and through related centers nationwide. All patients were screened for diagnosis of possible syndromic (notably MFS) or non syndromic TAAD through a multidisciplinary clinic including systematic slit-lamp examination and extensive imaging. Blood samples were obtained from patients in agreement with the French Bioethic laws and genomic DNA prepared as previously reported⁷.

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Supplementary Table 1 Rare nonsynonymous, nonsense, and indel variants identified by exome sequencing that are segregated with diseases in families

| Gene | Location | TAAD family ID | Nucleotide change | aminoAcids | polyPhen | Present in controls ^a |
|--------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| TGFB2 | chr1:218610772 | TAA288 | GTACAA/G | p.Tyr341Cysfs*25 ^d | NA | 0/3795 ^b |
| FAM5C | chr1:190068100 | TAA288 | A/G | Leu450Pro | benign | 0/1525 |
| DISP1 | chr1:223177116 | TAA288 | G/A | Val793Met | probably-damaging | 1/1536 |
| ZNF488 | chr10:48370770 | TAA288 | C/G | Pro80Ala | probably-damaging | 0/1329 |
| COL4A2 | chr13:111156311 | TAA288 | T/C | Met1419Thr | probably-damaging | 3/1157 |
| UIMC1 | chr5:176332446 | TAA288 | T/G | Gln666Pro | probably-damaging | 3/1537 |
| BDP1 | chr5:70798515 | TAA288 | C/T | Pro713Leu | probably-damaging | 1/1537 |
| GPT | chr8:145730072 | TAA288 | G/A | Arg83His | probably-damaging | 0/1534 |
| STK32A | chr5:146741152 | TAA288 | C/T | Thr212Met | possibly-damaging | 0/1529 |
| LPIN2 | chr18:2922148 | TAA288 | C/T | Asp742Asn | possibly damaging | 0/1490 |
| COL4A2 | chr13:111121570 | TAA288 | A/G | Lys701Arg | benign | 3/1537 |
| DGCR8 | chr22:20073742 | TAA288 | C/A | Leu86Ile | benign | 2/1537 |
| NIPAL4 | chr5:156899672 | TAA288 | G/A | Val369Ile | benign | 1/1537 |
| FAM83H | chr8:144812521 | TAA288 | G/A | Pro78Ser | benign | 0/1537 |
| CABYR | chr18:21736772 | TAA288 | C/G | Ser436Cys | NA | 1/1535 |
| DYTN | chr2:207527977 | TAA288 | T/TCC | p.Glu428Glyfs*59 | NA | 7/1537 |
| TGFB2 | chr1:218607723 | MS239 | C/A | C229X | NA | 0/10750 (EVS) ^c |
| PARP4 | chr13:25021200 | MS239 | C/T | L1080F | benign | 0/10752 (EVS) |
| USP32 | chr17:58288396 | MS239 | A/G | N801S | benign | 680/10680 (EVS) |
| NBPF10 | chr1:145298168 | MS239 | A/G | A194T | possibly damaging | 0/3230 (EVS) |
| TMEM20 | chr1:212560248 | MS239 | C/T | R171C | possibly damaging | 15/10758 (EVS) |

^aRare variants present in the number of control chromosomes. ^bControl data were obtained from in-house 1500 exome data set. ^cControl data were obtained from the EVS database (http://evs.gs.washington.edu/EVS/). ^d the only exome rare variant identified in family TAA288 that segregated with thoracic aortic aneurysms and aortic dissections when additional affected family members were assessed.

| Primers | Primer sequence $(5' \rightarrow 3')$ |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| RT-PCR forward primer | TCGAGGACCTGACACGAGGGTGGAAATGGATACACGA |
| RT-PCR reward primer | GGAGAAGCAGATGCTTCTGG |
| Exon 1 forward primer | CCAAACAACTCTCCTTGATCTA |
| Exon 2 forward primer | CCCTTATGGTTTCTTGGGAT |
| Exon 3 forward primer | GTGACCATGCAATTGAGATG |
| Exon 4 forward primer | GAATGGCTTCACCATAAAGG |
| Exon 5 forward primer | CAGCTGATGCTGCTTTGGTG |
| Exon 6 forward primer | CACTTGAGATTACAATAAAGCC |
| Exon 7 forward primer | GCCTACTCAGTGCTGTGAC |
| Exon 1 reward primer | AAGGGCGATCCCGGGAGCTG |
| Exon 2 reward primer | GTTCAAGGTTGCAGTGAGCT |
| Exon 3 reward primer | CAAGTTTTGGTTACCTGC |
| Exon 4 reward primer | CAACCATATCACTGTCCAAATG |
| Exon 5 reward primer | TGCACTCTATCTGGCCTT |
| Exon 6 reward primer | CCAGTACCCATACATGTG |
| Exon 7 reward primer | ACTGATGAACCAAGGCTCT |

Supplementary Table 2 Primers used for TGFB2 sequencing and mRNA quantification

| | TAA288 | | | | | | | | | | MS239 | | | | | | MS1758 | MS211 | |
|---------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|---------|----------|----------|--------|------|------|-------|--------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| Features | III:2 | III:3 | III:4 | III:5 | III:8 | III:9 | III:11 | III:12 | IV:1 | IV:2 | IV:3 | III:16 | IV:2 | IV:12 | IV:20 | IV:22 | V:5 | II:8 | III:14 |
| Sex | F | М | F | М | F | М | М | М | М | М | М | М | М | F | F | М | М | М | М |
| Age (years) | 50 | d.41 | 46 | 47 | 32 | 43 | 42 | 39 | 22 | 18 | 10 | 59 | 56 | 41 | 39 | 27 | 17 | 50 | 33 |
| Ht (cm) | 178 | 191 | 168 | 173 | 173 | 198 | 190 | 201 | 180 | 185 | 157 | 182 | 190 | 182 | 175 | 179 | 187 | 165 | 179 |
| Wt (kg) | 64 | 84 | 105 | 71 | 55 | 122 | 94 | 89 | 67 | 73 | 44 | 84 | 90 | 82 | 57 | 60 | 89 | 60 | 75 |
| Age at diagnosis (years) | | 41 | | 40 | 25 | 36 | 35 | 32 | 18 | 17 | 5 | 53 | 45 | 36 | 32 | 27 | | 47 | 31 |
| Age at surgery (years) | | | | | | | 35 | | | | | 60 | 43 | | | | | 47 | 31 |
| Reason for surgery | | | | | | | TAA | | | | | TAA | MVP | | | | | TAD | TAD |
| Annulus (cm) | | | Nl* | | | | | | | | | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.4 | | |
| Valsalva (cm) | 2.6 | 8* | Nl* | 4.7 | 3.4-3.5 | 4.7 (CT) | 5.4 (CT) | 4.1 | 4.1 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 5 | 4.8 | 4.1 | 4.6 | 3.6 | 3.7 | | |
| Sinotubular junction (cm) | | | Nl* | | | | | | | | 2.0 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 3 | | |
| Ascending aorta (cm) | | | Nl* | | | | | | | | 1.7 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.8 | | |
| Z score, sinuses of | - | | | | 2.7 | | | | 5.1 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 4.2 | 3.4 | 2.24 | 7.2 | 2.75 | 1.3 | | |
| Valsalva | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| LVEDD (cm) | | • | • | • | | | | • | • | • | | 5.7 | 5.4 | 6.0 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 6.1 | 4.9 | 5.9 |
| Arterial tortuosity | • | • | • | • | no | | | | | • | | yes | yes | | • | | • | yes | no |
| Intracranial aneurysm | no | • | no | | no | • | • | • | no | no | | no | no. | | | • | | | |
| Other cardiac disease | | DCM | 1 | | | | | | MVP | MVP | | | MVP | | | | | | |
| Pectus deformity | no | • | • | • | no | no | mild | mild | no | no | mild | mild | yes | no | yes | no | no | yes | no |
| Arm span to height ratio | 0.93 | • | • | • | 1.02 | | 1.03 | | 0.94 | 1.02 | 0.99 | 1.02 | 1.07 | 1.04 | 0.96 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 1.04 | 1.02 |
| Wrist sign | no | | | | yes | | yes | • | no | no | | no | no | yes | yes | no | no | yes | yes |
| Thumb sign | no | | | | no | | yes | • | no | yes | | no | yes | yes | yes | no | no | yes | yes |
| Spondylolisthesis | | • | • | | | | | | • | | | no | yes | no | no | no | no | no | |
| Scoliosis | yes | • | | | yes | | no | no | mild | no | no | no | no | mild | no | no | no | no | no |
| Flat feet | yes | | | | no | | yes | yes | yes | yes | no | yes | yes | no | yes | yes | yes | yes | no |
| Protrusio acetabularis | | | | | | | | | | | | no | yes | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| Joint hyperflexibility | yes | | | | yes | | no | yes | yes | yes | no | no | no | yes | yes | no | yes | yes | yes |
| High arched palate | yes | | | | yes | | no | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes | no | yes | no | no | no | no |
| Striae atrophicae | no | | | | no | | yes | yes | yes | yes | no | yes | yes | no | no | yes | yes | no | no |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | • | | | | | | • | |

Supplementary Table 3 Clinical data of individuals with TGFB2 mutations

| Operated hernia | no | yes | | yes | no | | yes | no | yes | no | no | no | no | yes | no | no | no | no | yes |
|----------------------------------|----|-----|---|-----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----------------|-----|-----|
| Cutis laxa | no | | | | no | | | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| Pneumothorax | no | | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | yes | no | no | no | no | no |
| Dural ectasia | | | | | | | | | | | | no | yes | yes | | no | | yes | |
| Emphysema | no | no | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | yes | | | | | yes | |
| Phlebitis | no | no | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | yes | yes | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| Lens dislocation | no | | | | no | | | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | $minor^\dagger$ | no | no |
| Flat cornea | | | | | | | | | | | | no | yes | no | no | no | yes | no | no |
| Dolichocephaly | no | | | | no | | | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| Malar hypoplasia | no | | | | no | | | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| Down-slanting palpebral fissures | no | • | • | • | no | | | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| Retrognathia | no | | | | no | | | | no | yes | no | no | no | yes | no | no | no | no | no |
| Enophthalmos | no | | | | no | | | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| Hypertelorism | no | | | | no | | | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| Cleft palate or abnormal uvula | no | • | • | • | no | | | • | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no |
| Craniosynostosis | no | | | | no | | | | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no | no |

Ht : height; Wt: weight; TAA: thoracic aortic aneurysm; TAD: thoracic aortic dissection; ".": data not available; "*": verbal report; blank: not applicable; Nl : normal; aortic measurements were obtained by echocardiography unless otherwise noted; MR: obtained by MR imaging; CT: obtained by CT imaging;; DCM: dilated cardiomyopathy; MVP: mitral valve prolapse; [†]individual noted as having minor ectopia lentis by French ophthalmologists, which is not recognized as lens dislocation in the USA.

Supplementary Figure 1



Supplementary Figure 1. Sequencing chromatograms showing the *TGFB2* mutations identified in the four families that all result in a premature termination codon (two missense mutations and a frameshift deletion and duplication).

Supplementary Figure 2



Supplementary Figure 2. Pedigrees of the two additional families with *TGFB2* mutations p.Asn297* (MS1756) and p.Glu102* (MS211) identified in the probands. Black-filled symbols indicate a finding of aortic root aneurysm and/or dissection, gray-filled symbols indicate sudden death due to an unknown cause, and half-filled symbols indicate individuals with skeletal features. Open symbols indicate individuals with a normal or unknown phenotype. The age at diagnosis of aortic root enlargement and/or dissection ("dx") is shown in years and "d" indicates the age at death.

Supplementary Figure 3



Supplementary Figure 3. Densitometry analysis of immunoblots for the TGF- β 2 proprotein shown in the Figure 2c and 3c. Quantification of the immunoblots confirms decreased accumulation of TGF- β 2 proprotein in cultured SMCs and fibroblasts, but increased expression of TGF- β 2 proprotein in whole aortic tissue. P values represent statistical differences calculated from quantification of multiple immunoblots.