

## **Supplementary material (Data, Tables, Figure)**

### **Amyloid precursor protein-fragments-containing inclusions in cardiomyocytes with basophilic degeneration and its association with cerebral amyloid angiopathy and myocardial fibrosis**

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#### **Legends:**

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**Supplementary Fig. 1:** Positive controls for immunohistochemistry (**A-D** visualized with avidin-biotin complex and DAB, **E-H** visualized with carbocyanine (Cy) labelled secondary antibodies): **A:** p62/SQSTM1-staining of cytoplasmic dipeptide repeat inclusions in CA4 neurons (arrows) of a case with ALS carrying a C9Orf72 hexanucleotide mutation. The lacking nuclear signal serves as intrinsic negative control. **B, C:** Neuritic plaques (arrows) and less strongly the neuropil and the cytoplasm of neurons of AD brain (**B:** temporal neocortex; **C:** hippocampal sector CA1) are marked with the antibodies against the N-terminus of APP (22C11) (**B**) and the A $\beta$  region of APP (D-epitope antibody) (**C**). The nuclei are not stained and serve as intrinsic negative controls. **D:** The anti-A $\beta$ <sub>1-17</sub> antibody 6E10 clearly stains amyloid plaques (arrows) in AD temporal neocortex whereas the neighboring neuropil remains negative. **E, F:** Dipeptide inclusions in the granule cell layer of the cerebellum of an ALS case carrying the C9Orf72 hexanucleotide repeat mutation stained with the p62/SQSTM1 antibody visualized with Carbocyanin-5 (Cy5)-labelled secondary antibodies (**E**) and with the ubiquitin antibody-coupled on biotinylated anti-mouse Fab fragments and labelled with Cy2-conjugated streptavidin (**F**). The inclusions stained with both antibodies in this double labelled section are indicated by arrowheads. Ubiquitin antibodies also mark other lesions that are not detected by the p62/SQSTM1 antibody. **G:** The antibody against the M-epitope of the APP-A $\beta$  region stains a neuritic plaque with dystrophic neurites (arrowheads) in the parietal cortex of an AD brain (the original Cy 3 color is shown here; the image is not recoded into blue as it is done for triple label immunofluorescence figures!). **H:** Amyloid plaque (arrowhead) in the parietal cortex of an AD brain detected with the polyclonal A $\beta$  antibody 3552 visualized with Cy3-labelled secondary antibodies (the original color is shown here; the image is not recoded into blue as it is done for triple label immunofluorescence figures!).

Supplementary Tab. 1: List of cases. (Data)

Case number	Age (years)	SEX	AMTl phase	Braak NFT stage	CERAD score	NIA-AA degree of AD pathology	clinical diagnosis	pathological diagnosis	neuropathological diagnosis	CAA severity	Expansion of atherosclerosis in the circle of Willis	SVD Stage	intracerebral hemorrhage	brain infarction	arterial hypertension	diabetes mellitus	Obesity	atrial fibrillation	myocardial infarction	degree of myocardial fibrosis	degree of hypertension-related myocardial fibrosis	BD (p62-positive) inclusion bodies / mm³	Heart weight	BMI	hyperlipoproteinemia	CDR	GDS	PMI
1	68	m	2	2	0	1	ALS, prostate carcinoma, arterial hypertension	ALS	ALS, SVD, hypoxia in CA1	2	36.36	2	no	no	yes	no	no	no	2	2	0.2201	365	n.k.	no	0	1	144	
2	54	m	0	0	0	0	CLL, stem cell transplantation with GVHD, GBS, arterial hypertension, muscular atrophy	CLL, myocardial hypertrophy, pneumonia	Bergmann cell gliosis, neurogenic muscular atrophy, meningeoma anterior cervical root WHO <sup>1</sup>	0	0.00	1	no	no	yes	no	no	no	2	2	0.0282	545	22.7	no	0	1	72	
3	60	m	0	0	0	0	HD, kachexia, pneumonia	HD, pneumonia	HD, atherosclerosis	0	0.00	2	no	no	no	no	n.k.	no	0	0	0.017	340	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	24	
4	73	f	0	3	0	0	Carcinoma with unknown primary tumor, kachexia, osteolysis	plasmacytoma	extradural plasmacytoma, neurogenic muscular atrophy	0	45.45	1	no	no	no	no	n.k.	no	2	0	0.0312	280	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	24	
5	76	f	0	2	0	0	Asthma bronchiale, pulmonary hypoxemia of the lung, ALS, arterial hypertension, colic arteritis, CML?	pulmonary emphysema, atherosclerosis, ALS	ALS, AGD, neurogenic muscular atrophy	0	50.00	3	no	no	yes	no	n.k.	no	no	2	2	0.0670	330	n.k.	n.k.	0	1	48
6	64	f	0	3	0	0	Spinocebellar syndrome, sepsis-associated encephalopathy, arterial hypertension, colic arteritis, CML?	CML, sepsis-induced multiple organ failure	PD	1	n.d.	2	no	no	yes	no	no	no	2	2	0.1841	280	24.0	no	0.5	1	12	
7	51	m	0	0	0	0	Malignant melanoma, esophageal carcinoma, limbic encephalitis, pneumonia	status after melanoma surgery, esophageal carcinoma, pneumonia	paraneoplastic limbic encephalitis	0	33.33	0	no	no	no	no	no	no	2	0	0.0083	400	n.k.	no	3	7	72	
8	75	m	1	2	1	1	ALS	ALS, CAA, SVD	SDH, red brain infarct, atherosclerosis, multiple sclerosis lesions	0	45.45	2	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	0	0	0.0683	385	n.k.	n.k.	0	1	24	
9	62	m	0	1	0	0	alcohol abuse, liver cirrhosis, carcinoma with unknown primary tumor	carcinoma	normal brain	0	9.09	2	no	no	no	no	no	no	2	0	0.0306	410	24.8	no	0	1	12	
10	63	m	0	2	0	0	coronary heart disease, myocardial infarction, chronic renal insufficiency, atrial fibrillation	hypertensive heart disease, biventricular cardiac insufficiency, atherosclerosis, coronary heart disease	SVD, atherosclerosis, multiple old brain infarcts	0	81.82	3	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	3	3	0.0153	520	26.3	no	2	7	48
11	57	m	0	2	0	0	arterial hypertension, ALS	ALS	normal brain	0	0.00	2	no	no	yes	no	no	2	2	0.0166	525	30.1	no	0	1	96		
12	60	m	0	0	0	0	GBS, status after varicose surgery, pneumonia	GBS, pulmonary embolism	polyadulcylates, toxic myopathy	0	36.36	2	no	no	no	no	no	no	0	0	0.0267	530	25.8	no	0	1	48	
13	58	m	0	1	0	0	multiple sclerosis, epileptic seizures, hemiplegia, intracerebral bleeding, obesity, hypertension, nikitin abuse	pulmonary embolism, glomerulonephritis and renal atherosclerosis	SDH, red brain infarct, atherosclerosis, multiple sclerosis lesions	0	18.18	2	no	yes	no	yes	no	no	0	0	0.0349	530	30.7	no	n.k.	n.k.	48	
14	47	f	0	1	0	0	ALS, respiratory failure	ALS	normal brain	0	0.00	2	no	no	no	no	no	no	0	0	0.0656	425	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	72	
15	61	m	1	2	0	1	ARDS, pneumonia	SVD	normal brain	0	0.00	2	no	no	no	no	no	no	2	0	0.1141	340	n.k.	no	0	1	24	
16	53	m	1	1	0	1	IgA-nephritis, status after renal transplantation, renal tubular acidosis	IgA-nephritis, status after renal transplantation, renal tubular acidosis, pulmonary hypoxia	mid SVD, inactivity related muscular atrophy	0	27.27	3	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	2	0	0.1267	260	n.k.	n.k.	0	1	24	
17	45	m	1	1	0	1	hydrops fetalis, pulmonary hypoxia	hydrops fetalis, ventricular septal defect	amyoplasia congenita, microinfarcts in the basal ganglia, normal brain	0	0.00	0	no	yes	no	n.k.	no	no	2	0	0.0000	16.9	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	24	
18	0.0301	m	0	0	0	0	prostate carcinoma, subcortical vascular encephalopathy with signs of vascular dementia, meningoencephalitis, atrial fibrillation	prostate carcinoma, subcortical vascular encephalopathy with signs of vascular dementia, meningoencephalitis, atrial fibrillation	AV, AD, meningitis WHO <sup>2</sup>	1	100.00	3	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1	1	0.0000	510	28.7	yes	3	7	48	
19	78	m	4	4	1	2	subcortical vascular encephalopathy, dementia	circulatory insufficiency, old myocardial infarction, pulmonary embolism	SVE, corticobasal degeneration, small bleeding near corpus callosum	0	45.45	3	yes	yes	no	n.k.	no	yes	2	2	0.0305	290	20.8	yes	3	6	48	
20	78	f	1	1	0	1	celiac disease, pneumonia, cerebellar degeneration and encephalopathy	celiac disease, splenomegaly, pneumonia	Limbic- and brainstem encephalitis, old red cortical infarct, normal brain	2	27.27	2	no	yes	no	n.k.	no	no	1	0	0.2170	275	n.k.	n.k.	1	6	24	
21	56	m	2	2	0	1	Crohn's disease, acute myocardial infarction	sudden cardiac death	brain edema, mild SVD, neurogenic muscular atrophy with accompanied myopathic changes	0	9.09	0	no	no	no	n.k.	no	yes	2	0	0.0185	430	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	120	
22	43	m	0	1	0	0	bladder carcinoma, signs of infection and cognitive deficits	bladder carcinoma, acute pancreatitis, coronary heart disease, pulmonary embolism	brain edema, mild SVD, neurogenic muscular atrophy with accompanied myopathic changes	0	36.36	2	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	2	0	0.1018	390	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	48	
23	51	m	0	0	0	0	ARDS, respiratory failure	ARDS, respiratory failure	normal brain	0	0.00	1	no	no	yes	no	yes	2	2	0.0597	260	n.k.	yes	n.k.	n.k.	48		
24	61	f	0	1	0	0	ALS, atrial fibrillation, arterial hypertension, central respiratory failure	ALS	normal brain	0	0.00	2	no	no	yes	no	yes	2	2	0.0597	260	n.k.	yes	n.k.	n.k.	48		
25	60	f	4	1	0	1	polymyopathy, arterial hypertension, hyperlipidemia, hypothyroidism	coronary heart disease, pulmonary embolism	lymphocytic encephalopathy, inactivity-related muscular atrophy	0	54.55	2	no	no	yes	no	n.k.	no	2	2	0.0180	290	n.k.	yes	n.k.	n.k.	96	
26	56	m	0	1	0	0	polyuria, arterial hypertension, diabetes mellitus	coronary heart disease, liver cirrhosis, left myocardial infarction, hypothyroidism	SDH, mild SAH, subarachnoid hemorrhage, SVD, alcohol-related myopathy of the diaphragma	0	27.27	2	yes	no	no	yes	n.k.	no	2	0	0.0309	760	n.k.	0	1	72	72	
27	60	m	0	1	0	0	HD, pneumonia	leptomeningitis, fact of meningoencephalitis, old hemorrhagic lesion in the right thalamus, old infarct in the left putamen	normal brain	0	36.36	2	no	no	no	no	no	no	2	0	0.0319	300	23.9	no	n.k.	n.k.	72	
28	59	m	0	0	0	0	sepsis due to pneumokocci with meningitis, status after stroke, status after thrombosis, arterial hypertension, diabetes mellitus	meningitis with focal encephalitis, sepsis due to pneumokocci with multiple organ failure	fresh ICB, posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome parieto-occipital, inactivity-related muscular atrophy	0	18.18	1	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	0	0	0.0158	460	n.k.	yes	0	1	48	
29	0.0027	m	0	0	0	0	pulmonary hypoxia, pulmonary hypertension, mekonismuspiration, pulmonary embolism, muscular dystrophy type Becker-Kiener, infection	malformation syndrome, respiratory failure	chronic paroxysms with neurogenic muscular atrophy, SDH, capillary telangiectasia at the level of the left	0	18.18	1	no	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	0	0	0.0000	8	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	n.k.	48
30	69	m	0	1	0	0	ALS, paresis of respiratory muscles	ALS, cerebellar microbleeds	normal brain	0	54.55	2	no	no	no	no	no	no	2	0	0.0713	340	19.5	yes	n.k.	n.k.	96	
31	52	m	0	1	0	0	status after surgery by colon, glomerulonephritis, cognitive impairment, pneumonia, hemorragic stroke, hydrocephalus	multiple organ failure	inactivity-related muscular atrophy, no morphological correlate for cognitive impairment	0	45.45	2	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	2	0	0.0110	430	n.k.	0	1	48	48	
32	52	f	1	1	0	1	AML, status after bone marrow transplantation, COPD, posterior reversible encephalopathy and intracerebral hemorrhage	AML, status after surgery of an ASD	Fresh ICB, posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome parieto-occipital, inactivity-related muscular atrophy	0	0.00	2	yes	no	no	no	no	no	0	0	0.0000	390	22.3	no	0.5	6	24	
33	54	f	0	1	0	0	schizophrenia, SDH, pulmonary embolism?, rhabdomyolysis?	pulmonary embolism	chronic paroxysms with neurogenic muscular atrophy, SDH, capillary telangiectasia at the level of the left	0	18.18	1	no	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	2	0	0.0051	360	34.6	no	n.k.	n.k.	24
34	46	f	0	1	0	0	implantation of a hip prosthesis, fatal epileptic seizures, respiratory failure	ALS	normal brain	0	0.00	2	no	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	0	0	0.0064	205	20.0	no	n.k.	n.k.	120
35	74	f	0	1	0	0	atherosclerosis, decompenated left ventricular failure	atherosclerosis, decompenated left ventricular failure	AGD, SVE	0	90.91	3	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	2	2	0.0213	530	27.3	yes	0	1	24	
36	36	m	0	0	0	0	liver failure with consecutive multiple organ failure	liver failure with consecutive multiple organ failure	infarct of the adrenohypophysis	0	0.00	0	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	2	0	0.0000	430	n.k.	0	1	24	72	
37	53	m	0	1	0	0	coronary heart disease, myocardial infarction, hepatopathy	coronary heart disease, hepatopathy	Null cell microadenoma of the adrenohypophysis	0	18.18	0	no	no	no	n.k.	yes	2	0	0.0163	500	n.k.	0	1	72	72		
38	63	m	1	1	0	1	stenosis of the aorta, IgA-nephropathy, CMV infection	stenosis of the aorta, IgA-nephropathy, CMV infection	lacunar infarct left thalamus, fresh microinfarct in CA1, SVD	0	n.d.	2	no	yes	no	no	no	no	2	0	0.0703	650	24.0	no	0	1	120	
39	46	m	0	1	0	0	right ventricular failure by tricuspid valve failure	right ventricular failure by tricuspid valve failure	normal brain	0	0.00	0	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	0	0	0.0206	485	n.k.	no	0	1	29	
40	64	f	0	1	0	0	malignant melanoma	malignant melanoma	multiple metastases of a malignant melanoma, AGD	0	54.55	2	no	no	no	no	no	no	2	0	0.0000	250	28.7	no	0	1	48	
41	49	m	0	0	0	0	mitral valve failure, cerebral and peripheral (lower limb) ischemia, ventricular fibrillation	mitral valve failure, cerebral and peripheral (lower limb) ischemia, ventricular fibrillation	infarct of the right basal ganglia, large fresh infarct of the right basal ganglia, SVD	0	100.00	2	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	0	0	0.0229	850	23.7	no	0	1	8	
42	75	m	2	2	0	1	atrial fibrillation, ICB, infarct of the thalamus, cystic pancreatic lesions, pneumonia	atrial fibrillation, ICB, infarct of the thalamus, cystic pancreatic lesions, pneumonia	multiple lacunar infarcts and microinfarcts, large fresh infarct of the right basal ganglia, SVD	0	36.36	1	no	yes	yes	n.k.	yes	2	2	0.0773	425	n.k.	0	1	24	72		
43	72	f	4	4	2	2	dementsia, arterial hypertension, obesity, lung carcinoma with ovarian metastasis	coronary heart disease	AD, metastases of a lung carcinoma, SVD, lacunar infarct of the thalamus	1	45.45	2	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	2	2	0.2221	370	n.k.	0	1	6	12		
44	51	m	0	1	0	0	multiple sclerosis, bladder carcinoma, diabetes mellitus, pneumonia	multiple sclerosis, bladder carcinoma, diabetes mellitus, pneumonia	multiple microinfarcts, Marburg type II	0	33.33	0	no	no	yes	yes	no	2	0	0.0544	400	n.k.	yes	3	7	24		
45	45	m	0	0	0	0	Obesity, arterial hypertension, renal cell carcinoma, gastric ulcer, atrial fibrillation	Obesity, arterial hypertension, renal cell carcinoma, gastric ulcer, atrial fibrillation	normal brain	0	0.00	1	no	no	no	n.k.	no	yes	2	0	0.0337	410	n.k.	no	0	1	24	
46	73	f	2	1	0	1	GIST, endocrine carcinoma of the colon, pancreatic endocrinopathy, carcinoid, Ladd's syndrome	GIST, endocrine carcinoma of the colon, pancreatic endocrinopathy, carcinoid, Ladd's syndrome	ICB in the basal ganglia, multiple infarcts, normal brain	0	66.67	2	yes	no	yes	n.k.	no	2	2	0.1154	725	n.k.	0	1	30	72		
47	35	m	0	0	0	0	arterial hypertension, diabetes mellitus, COPD, chronic renal failure, duodenal perforation, sepsis, pneumonia	arterial hypertension, diabetes mellitus, COPD, chronic renal failure, duodenal perforation, sepsis, pneumonia	limbic encephalitis	0	0.00	0	no	no	no	n.k.	no	no	2	0	0.0359	640	27.5	no	0</			

**Supplementary Tab. 2:** Proteins observed for its presence in BD inclusions in cardiomyocytes

	Cardiomyocyte inclusion bodies	Antibodies and staining protocol
p62/SQSTM1	+	Mouse; Clone 3/p62 LCK ligand, BD Transduction Laboratories, Mountain View, CA, USA, 1:500
Ubiquitin	+	Polyclonal rabbit; Ubiquitin, DAKO, Glostrup, Denmark, 1/100
Ubiquilin	+	Polyclonal rabbit; Anti-UBQLN, Acris Antibodies, San Diego, CA, USA, 1/100, microwave pretreatment
APP-N-terminus (22C11)	+	Mouse; Clone, 22C11, Millipore, 1/75, microwave pretreatment
APP-N-terminus (9023)	(+)	Polyclonal rabbit; 9023, ThermoScientific, Fremont, USA, 1/100, microwave pretreatment
APP-D-Epitope (D-epitope = DALMPSLT)	-	Polyclonal rabbit; 9478D, 9480D, (18), 1/50, microwave pretreatment
APP-M-Epitope (M-epitope = MISEPRISYG)	-	Polyclonal rabbit; 9475M, 9476M, (18), 1/50, microwave pretreatment
A $\beta$ <sub>1-17</sub> (6E10)	-	Mouse; Clone 6E10, Covance, Dedham, USA, 1/1000, formic acid pretreatment
A $\beta$ <sub>17-24</sub> (4G8)	-	Mouse; Clone 4G8, Covance, Dedham, USA, 1/5000, formic acid pretreatment
A $\beta$ (3552)	-	Polyclonal rabbit; 3552, (44), 1/1000, formic acid pretreatment
APLP2	-	Polyclonal rabbit; ThermoScientific, Rockford, USA, 1/200, microwave pretreatment
Smooth muscle actin,	-	Mouse; Clone 1A4, DAKO, Glostrup, Denmark, 1/200, microwave pretreatment
Myosin (fast twitch)	-	Mouse; Clone MY-32, Bio-Genex, The Hague, Netherlands, 1/50, microwave pretreatment
abnormal phosphorylated $\tau$ -protein	-	Mouse; Clone AT-8, Thermo-Scientific – Pierce Biotechnology, Rockford, IL, USA, 1/1,000
pTDP43 (phosphorylated transactive DNA binding protein)	-	Polyclonal rabbit; pS409/410-2, Cosmo Bio Co., Ltd, Tokyo, Japan, 1/10000, microwave pretreatment
TPD43	-	Mouse; Clone 2E2-D3, Novus Biologicals, Littleton, CO, USA, 1:2000, formic acid and microwave pretreatment
$\alpha$ -synuclein	-	Mouse; Clone KM51, Leica Biosystems – Novocastra, Newcastle, UK, 1/40, formic acid pretreatment
CD-56	-	Mouse; Clone BC56C04, Biocare, Concord, CA, USA, 1/50, microwave pretreatment
Desmin	-	Mouse; Clone D33, Linaris, Dossenheim, Germany, 1/100
Filamin-C	-	Polyclonal rabbit; anti-FLNC, HPA006135, Sigma-Aldrich Chemie GmbH, Munich, Germany

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