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Software and code

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Data collection

No software was used to collect the data used in this study.

Data analysis

Data analysis Custom code was used to analyse data and create the figures in this study. This code has been shared in a GitHub repository. The Genome Analysis ToolKit (GATK) was used to analyse sequencing data generated from CRISPR edited cell lines, according to best practice guidelines. Pybedtools and CRISPRdirect software were used to detect potential off-target edits. The Integrative genome viewer (IGV) and Alamut software were used to curate variants.

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- Accession codes, unique identifiers, or web links for publicly available datasets
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The data presented in this manuscript and the code used to make the figures are available in https://github.com/macarthur-lab/gnomad_lrrk2.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	This study was opportunistic, and involved secondary use of all available data. No sample size was predetermined. We have included the theoretical odds ratios that our sample size is powered to detect for our pheWAS study with the 23andMe data, and a power analysis for our age distribution analysis to demonstrate the size of effect that our sample size can discover.
Data exclusions	Identified loss-of-function variant carriers were extensively curated and variants excluded if they were flagged as low-confidence by the Loss-of-function Transcript Effect Estimator (LOFTEE), or failed a manual inspection of variant quality metrics, read distribution and the presence of nearby variants that could rescue the loss-of-function effect. An additional variant was removed as it was shown to not fully disrupt splicing in the GTEx dataset. Variants from 23andMe were excluded if there were fewer than 5 Sanger validated carriers. Finally, one sample was removed from the UK Biobank that was a carrier of both a LRRK2 pLoF variant and the G2019S risk allele.
Replication	We did not attempt to reproduce any findings in a separate dataset, instead all available data was used for discovery analyses.
Randomization	As this was a population-based study, no randomization was performed.
Blinding	Blinding was not relevant for this population-based study.

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Materials & experimental systems

n/a	Involved in the study
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Antibodies
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eukaryotic cell lines
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Animals and other organisms
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Human research participants
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Methods

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> ChIP-seq
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> MRI-based neuroimaging

Antibodies

Antibodies used	The following antibodies were used for immunoblotting: LRRK2 (1:500, 75-253, UC Davis/NIH NeuroMab Facility, lot# 455.7JD.04, clone N241A/34), α -actinin (1:5000, A7811, Sigma, Batch# 024M4758, monoclonal EA-53), GAPDH (1:10,000, sc-25778, Santa Cruz, FL-335), anti-rabbit IgG HRP (1:5000, 7074, Cell Signaling), and anti-mouse IgG HRP (1:5000, 7076, Cell Signaling).
Validation	<p>These antibodies were selected based on their use in other publications and validation through IF and WB by the companies providing the antibodies. Company provided information is as follows:</p> <p>LRRK2: Immunogen: Fusion protein amino acids 970-2527 (C-terminus) of human LRRK2 (also known as Leucine-rich repeat serine/threonine-protein kinase 2, Dardarin and PARK8, accession number Q5S007) Mouse: 89% identity (1393/1557 amino acids identical) Rat: 89% identity (1392/1557 amino acids identical) <30% identity with LRRK1 Epitope mapped to within amino acids 1836-1845 (EGDLLVNPdq) by PEPperPRINT through work funded by The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research. Monoclonal antibody info: Mouse strain: Balb/C Myeloma cell: SP2/0 Mouse Ig Isotype: IgG2a NeuroMab Applications: Immunoblot, Immunocytochemistry, Immunohistochemistry and Immunoprecipitation Species Reactivity: human, rat, mouse MW: > 200 kDa Immunoblot versus crude membranes from adult rat brain (RBM) and wild-type (WT) and LRRK2 KO mouse brains probed with N241A/34 (left) and K89/41 (right) TC supe. Mouse brain samples provided by Xiaojie Li, Ted Dawson and Valina Dawson (Johns Hopkins University). Adult rat brain immunohistochemistry (with antigen retrieval via sodium citrate pretreatment).</p> <p>α-actinin: from product sheet, antibody validated for Immunoblotting (chemiluminescent) in rat leg muscle at 1:5000, 100kDa</p>

GAPDH: GAPDH (FL-335) is recommended for detection of GAPDH and GAPDH-2 of mouse, rat, and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 µg per 100-500 µg of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50- 1:500) and immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded sections) (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500). Molecular Weight of GAPDH: 37 kDa. Positive Controls: 293T Lysate: sc-159909, Hep G2 cell lysate: sc-2227 or KNRK whole cell lysate: sc-2214.

anti-rabbit IgG HRP: Product Description - Designed for use with rabbit polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies, this affinity purified goat anti-rabbit IgG (heavy and light chain) antibody is conjugated to horseradish peroxidase(HRP) for chemiluminescent detection. This product is thoroughly validated with CST primary antibodies and will work optimally with the CST western immunoblotting protocol, ensuring accurate and reproducible results.

Product Usage Information - Recommended Antibody Dilutions:

1:1000–1:3000

20X LumiGLO® Reagent and 20X Peroxide #7003 1:1K–1:3K

SignalFire™ ECL Reagent #6883 1:1K–1:3K

SignalFire™ Plus ECL Reagent #12630 1:5K-1:15K

SignalFire™ Elite ECL Reagent #12757 1:10K-1:20K

anti-mouse IgG HRP: Affinity purified horse anti-mouse IgG (heavy and light chain) antibody is conjugated to horseradish peroxidase(HRP) for chemiluminescent detection. This product is thoroughly validated with CST primary antibodies and will work optimally with the CST western immunoblotting protocol, ensuring accurate and reproducible results.

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Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)

Human embryonic stem cells (hESCs) were obtained from WiCell Research Institute (WA01, H1) under an MTA. Lymphoblastoid cell lines (LCLs) were obtained from Coriell Biorepository (GM18500, GM18501, GM18502, HG01345, HG01346) and approved by the Broad Institute Office of Research Subject Protection protocol #3639.

Authentication

Cell lines were authenticated by visual inspection of cell morphology with brightfield microscopy, staining with anti-Oct4 antibody to determine maintenance of pluripotency (Santa Cruz, sc-5279, data not shown), sent to WiCell Research Institute after 6 months of passaging or after isogenic cell line generation for karyotyping, and in some cases PCA of RNA sequencing data to confirm clustering with other pluripotent stem cell lines or lymphoblastoid cell lines, as appropriate.

Mycoplasma contamination

All cell lines tested negative for mycoplasma contamination on a monthly basis with the MycoAlert™ Detection kit (Lonza, LT07-118) and MycoAlert™ Assay Control Set (Lonza, LT07-518). Cells were grown at 37°C with 5% CO₂.

Commonly misidentified lines
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No commonly misidentified cell lines were used.

Human research participants

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Population characteristics

As an opportunistic collection of data, the participants in this study were not selected based on age, gender, or genotypic information. Individuals in the gnomAD dataset have an average age of 53.6 years and 45.8% are female. Individuals were mainly recruited from complex disease studies. Any individuals with severe pediatric disease were removed. In the UK Biobank, individuals have an average age of 56.8 years and 54.4% are female. 23andMe individuals have an average age of 48.8 years and 54.5% are female.

Recruitment

Participants were either customers of the personal genetics company 23andMe, Inc., who consented to participate in research and answer survey questions online, were consented participants of the UK Biobank, or were aggregated as part of the genome aggregation database (gnomAD). Individuals from 23andMe were identified based on their genotyping results and as such were not specifically recruited. Therefore they share the same selection biases such as under representation of certain ethnic and socioeconomic groups relative to the general population. This limits our ability to make any firm conclusions in those groups. Similar biases exist within the gnomAD and UK Biobank datasets which represents secondary use of available sequencing.

Ethics oversight

23andMe - Participants provided informed consent and participated in the research online, under a protocol approved by the external AAHRPP-accredited IRB, Ethical & Independent Review Services (E&I Review).
gnomAD - We have complied with all relevant ethical regulations. This study was overseen by the Broad Institute's Office of Research Subject Protection and the Partners Human Research Committee. Informed consent was obtained from all participants.
UKBB - This work was done as part of approved UKBB project #42890

Note that full information on the approval of the study protocol must also be provided in the manuscript.