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## WEBAPPENDIX

	Adults			Children		
	Control subjects	Mitochondrial patients	Non-mitochondrial neurological patients	Control subjects	Mitochondrial patients	Non-mitochondrial neurological patients
N	49	41	22	25	26	12
Age (years)	44.8±12.0	41.5±15.1 ns	56.5±14.9 p<0.001	8.2±3.7	8.0±3.8 ns	10.0±4.9 ns
BMI	26.2±4.7	22.8±6.7 p=0.009	na	na	na	na
% males (n)	40.8 (20)	63.4 (26)	27.2 (6)	52.0 (13)	46.2 (12)	50.0 (6)
% plasma (vs serum)	0	0	0	12.0 (3)	30.8 (8)	0

**Table 1. General characteristics of the study participants.** Data are presented as mean values and SD. ns, not significant; na, not available.

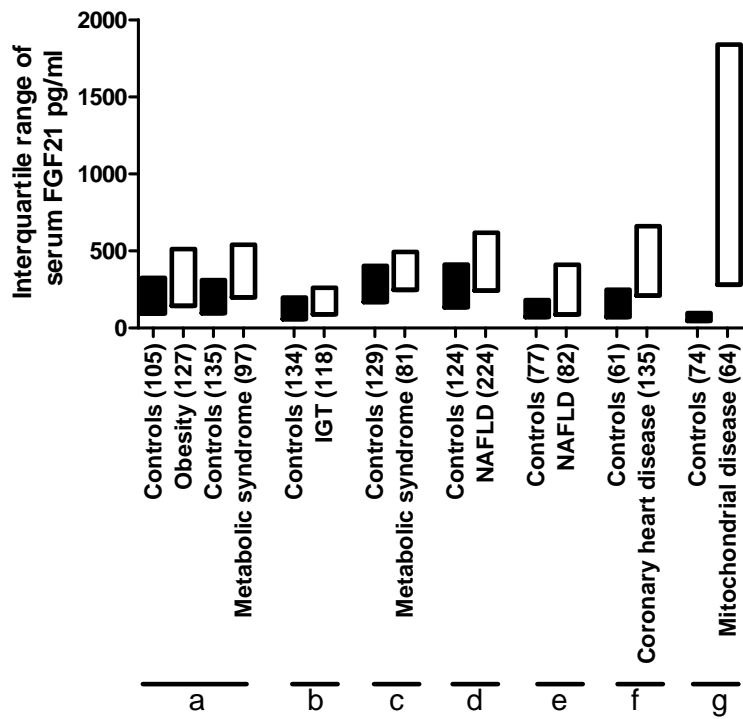
Patient	Sex	Age serum sample	Key clinical features	ASAT U/l	ALAT U/l	GT U/l	P-AFOS U/l	Bilirubin μmol/l	CK max U/l	FGF21 pg/ml	Liver disease
<b>Adults with mitochondrial disease</b>											
1	F	55	CMP, DM, HI	36	18	55	65	9	140	1762	NO
6	M	53	CMP, myopathy, HI, DM, RR	34	34	22	75	13	143	562	NO
7	F	67	DM, HI	21	18	16	47	20	62	395	NO
9	M	52	DM, HI, ataxia, ptosis	19	18	19	45	5	65	289	NO
11	M	39	headaches	34	34	23	71	15	120	88	NO
13	F	65	ptosis and restricted eye movements	nd	33	26	92	6	106	1283	NO
14	F	50	PEO, myopathy	50	38	14	26	14	471	659	NO
15	M	49	PEO, myopathy, fatty liver	78	133	131	40	13	715	586	YES, fatty liver
16	M	51	PEO, myopathy	64	61	30	25	23	130	570	Possibly
17	M	60	PEO, proximal muscle weakness in lower extremities, sensoral polyneuropathy	48	46	26	65	nd	234	347	NO
18	M	56	PEO, myopathy	48	36	88	111	53	147	338	YES, cirrhosis
19	M	38	PEO, myopathy	34	56	24	44	22	196	237	NO
20	M	50	PEO, neuropathy, myopathy, parkinsonism	54	14	24	75	6	1012	177	NO
31	M	51	MIRAS	27	37	29	66	12	89	537	NO
33	M	43	MIRAS	25	62	35	56	11	96	291	NO

34	M	51	MIRAS, HI	34	56	40	51	22	188	246	NO
35	F	22	MIRAS, epilepsy, migraine, liver transplant	19	17	37	47	3	38	173	NO
36	M	38	MIRAS	23	36	202	81	4	172	149	NO
37	M	30	MIRAS	32	32	32	154	17	263	131	NO
38	M	52	MIRAS	31	43	87	93	11	103	116	NO
39	M	49	MIRAS	31	10	16	50	15	318	54	NO
40	F	25	MIRAS	23	17	12	52	6	102	50	NO
41	M	41	MIRAS	42	59	107	77	8	571	25	NO
<b>Adults with neurological non-mitochondrial disease</b>											
42	F	57	Dystrofia myotonica type-2	nd	61	45	80	nd	1095	701	NO
43	M	40	Spinal muscular atrophy type-2	25	10	19	96	nd	36	436	NO
44	F	71	Inclusion body myositis	62	64	24	243	10	555	392	NO, muscle-origin
45	F	76	Inclusion body myositis	31	80	11	51	18	310	253	NO
46	F	77	Oculopharyngeal muscular dystrophy	61	73	178	396	29	38	251	YES
47	M	65	Motoneuron disease	65	106	52	68	13	1760	190	NO, muscle-origin
48	F	54	Dystrofia myotonica type-1	32	21	42	32	8	330	162	NO
49	F	40	Spinal muscular atrophy III	48	113	39	64	7	137	135	NO, muscle-origin
50	F	51	Dystrofia myotonica type-2	60	82	18	42	nd	7794	131	NO, muscle-origin
51	M	39	Becker's muscle dystrophy	104	129	34	88	21	3725	114	NO, muscle-origin
52	F	68	CMP, muscle weakness of lower limbs	136	68	36	475	112	42	98	YES

54	M	85	Inclusion body myositis	<b>47</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>169</b>	nd	<b>650</b>	<b>68</b>	YES
55	F	55	Dystrofia myotonica type-2	33	<b>58</b>	25	73	11	<b>310</b>	<b>56</b>	NO
56	M	65	Inclusion body myositis	<b>159</b>	32	<b>154</b>	104	<b>115</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>46</b>	YES
57	F	48	Dystrofia myotonica type-2	22	24	15	<b>124</b>	nd	175	<b>42</b>	NO
58	F	71	Inclusion body myositis	24	36	23	40	nd	<b>283</b>	<b>40</b>	NO
59	F	57	Welander's muscular dystrophy	23	38	20	<b>170</b>	14	<b>254</b>	<b>24</b>	NO
60	F	48	Dystrofia myotonica type-1	<b>71</b>	<b>50</b>	17	<b>32</b>	nd	155	<b>24</b>	NO, muscle-origin
61	F	23	Pompe's disease, late-onset	<b>300</b>	<b>306</b>	22	71	18	<b>1807</b>	<b>18</b>	YES
62	F	41	Dystrofia myotonica type-1	nd	31	59	65	10	<b>740</b>	<b>17</b>	NO
63	M	58	Inclusion body myositis	<b>93</b>	<b>149</b>	47	nd	nd	<b>2114</b>	<b>17</b>	NO, muscle-origin
<b>Children with mitochondrial disease</b>											
64	M	1.3	Alpers-Huttenlocher	<b>168</b>	<b>168</b>	nd	<b>600</b>	6	163	<b>4358</b>	YES
65	M	0.3	Reversible COX-deficiency	<b>120</b>	35	nd	nd	6	<b>662</b>	<b>4248</b>	NO
66	F	10	Enceph.myopathy, cardiomyopathy	<b>414</b>	<b>126</b>	nd	108	2	<b>2288</b>	<b>4232</b>	NO, muscle-origin
67	M	0.1	Reversible COX-deficiency	44	35	nd	372	19	193	<b>4161</b>	NO
70	M	0.2	LCHAD crisis, delayed growth, decreased liver function	<b>2247</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>297</b>	445	<b>27</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>3314</b>	YES
72	M	13.5	Retinitis pigmentosa, short stature	<b>53</b>	25	nd	180	4	<b>325</b>	<b>2134</b>	NO
75	F	0.3	Reversible COX-deficiency	50	25	nd	nd	4	53	<b>1465</b>	NO
77	F	9.9	MELAS	<b>66</b>	<b>47</b>	nd	nd	10	205	<b>1090</b>	NO

78	F	3.5	Alpers/ refractory epilepsy+psychomotor retardation	49	62	nd	318	3	nd	<b>1062</b>	NO
79	F	17	Mitochondrial myopathy	23	16	nd	52	8	<b>247</b>	<b>728</b>	NO
85	M	3.3	Leigh syndrome	<b>60</b>	52	nd	nd	2	<b>620</b>	<b>335</b>	NO
<b>Children with non-mitochondrial disease</b>											
87	M	2.8	progeria; CMP, Raynaud, growth retardation	<b>214</b>	157	nd	119	10	70	<b>556</b>	NO
<b>LCHAD after diet treatment</b>											
99	F	9.2	LCHAD in diet	nd	57	nd	561	nd	<b>437</b>	<b>185</b>	YES

**Table 2. Liver function tests of the patients.** ASAT (aspartyl aminotransferase): children <1 month, <80U/l; children 1 month-nd16 years, <50U/l; men, 15-45 U/l; women, 15-35 U/l. ALAT (alanyl aminotransferase): children 0-16 years, <40 U/l; men 10-70 U/l; women 10-45 U/l. GT (glutamyl transferase): children <1 month, <300 U/l; children 1 month-16 years, <50 U/l; men 18-39 years, 10-80 U/l; women 18-39 years, 10-45 U/l; men >40 years, 15-115 U/l; women >40 years, 10-75 U/l. AFOS (alkaline phosphatase): children 0-14 days, 60-275 U/l; children 15 days-1 year, 115-460 U/l; children 2-5 years, 115-390 U/l; children 6-7 years, 115-460 U/l; children 8-9 years, 115-345 U/l; boys 10-11 years, 115-335 U/l; girls 10-11 years, 115-435 U/l; boys 12-13 years, 125-405 U/l; girls 12-13 years, 90-335 U/l; boys 14-15 years, 80-445 U/l; girls 14-15 years, 80-210 U/l; boys 16-18 years, 55-330 U/l; girls 16-18 years, 35-125 U/l, adults, 35-105 U/l. Bilirubin: children 0-1 day, <100 µmol/l; children 2-6 days, <200 µmol/l; children 7-20 days, <100 µmol/l; children 21-30 days, <50 µmol/l; >1 month, 4-20 µmol/l. Creatine kinase (CK): children <5 days, <800 U/l; children 5 days-2 years, 50-270 U/l; children 3-15 years, 20-220 U/l; boys 16-17 years, <270 U/l; girls 16-17 years, <150 U/l; men 18-49 years, 50-400 U/l; women 35-210 U/l; men 50+ 40-280 U/l. Abbreviations: CMP, cardiomyopathy; DM, diabetes mellitus; HI, hearing impairment; LVH, left ventricular hypertrophy; PEO, progressive external ophthalmoplegia; MNGIE, mitochondrial neurogastrointestinal encephalomyopathy; mtDNA, mitochondrial DNA; IFG, impaired glucose tolerance; RR, increased blood pressure; PMR, psychomotor retardation; LCHAD, Long-chain 3 hydroxyacyl CoA dehydrogenase deficiency; MELAS, mitochondrial encephalomyopathy, lactic acidosis and stroke-like episodes; MIRAS, mitochondrial recessive ataxia syndrome; MERRF, myoclonic epilepsy with ragged red fibers; RRF, ragged red fiber; COX-neg, cytochrome-c-oxidase negative muscle fibers; CI, CIV, respiratory chain complex I and/or IV deficiency; nd, not determined; na, not available. Interpretation: if ALAT and/or ASAT is increased, combined with increased CK, the source of these is likely the muscle, not liver (“no, muscle origin”. A muscle disease was interpreted in the case of increased ALAT/ASAT in the absence of CK increase, and if other markers such as bilirubin was increased. The source of AFOS may be liver in adults, but most often bone in children.



**Figure 1. Summary of literature; clinical conditions in which [S-FGF21] has been reported increased.** Included in the figure are previously published data sets measuring [S-FGF21] with sample size >20, with a significant difference identified between control subjects and patients, and the values of interquartile range available. We included those studies, which used the same Biovendor ELISA kit for [S-FGF21] measurement. The interquartile ranges are shown for the control and the patient groups for each study, number of studied samples in parenthesis. References **a**, <sup>1</sup>**b**, <sup>2</sup>**c**, <sup>3</sup>**d**, <sup>4</sup>**e**, <sup>5</sup>**f**, <sup>6</sup>**g**, this study. IGT, Impaired glucose tolerance; NAFLD, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease.

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