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Guinea pig erythrocyte hemolytic assay

Overall FH functionality was assessed using a modification of the FH-dependent sheep erythrocyte (ShE) hemolytic assay.¹ In our modified assay, we used guinea pig erythrocytes (TCS biosciences, Buckingham, UK) instead of ShE to increase the dynamic range of the assay, and compared the amounts of the FH variants versus wild-type protein required to recover the regulatory capacity of normal human serum that was 75% depleted of FH (NHS Δ FH). The negative control was prepared by adding 20 mM ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA), and the maximum NHS Δ FH-induced lysis was defined as 100%. Each FH variant was analyzed twice in separate experiments. For each experiment, we calculated the relative amount of protein as compared to WT protein required to decrease lysis of guinea pig erythrocytes by 50% (HR₅₀). An HR₅₀ value between 0.71 and 1.29 (mean of WT +/- 2SD) was considered normal.

Preparation of C3b-decorated sheep erythrocytes

To assess FH DAA and CA, C3b-decorated ShEs (C3b-ShE) were prepared in isotonic veronal-buffered saline containing 0.1% gelatin (GVB). Briefly, C3b was deposited on washed ShEs (1 mL, 1×10^9 /mL; Colorado Serum Co.,Denver, CO) by incubation with 45 µL of Factor B (FB)-partially inactivated/FH-depleted human serum at 37°C for 30 minutes in GVB buffer supplemented with 10 mM ethylene glycol-bis(2-aminoethylether)-N N N'N'-tetraacetic acid (EGTA), 5 mM MgCl₂ (GVB-Mg2+). Cells were then washed three times and resuspended in 1 mL of GVB-Mg2+ buffer. The amount of FB (Complement Technology Inc., Tyler, TX) needed to generate approximately one C3 convertase per cell was determined by titration (FB 0.4-2 µg) with a constant amount of Factor D (FD) (0.3 µg; Complement Technology Inc., Tyler, TX) in 0.2 mL of C3b-ShE at 30°C for 5 minutes; the reaction was stopped by adding 0.3 mL of ice-cooled GVB-EDTA buffer. Hemolysis was induced by adding rat serum (diluted 1:9)

in GVB with 10 mM EDTA; rat serum-EDTA) as a source of C3-9, followed by incubation at 37°C for 60 minutes. After centrifugation, the degree of hemolysis was determined by measuring optical density at 415 nm (OD415). Background (spontaneous lysis) was corrected using GVB-EDTA buffer. The amount of hemolysis was expressed as a percentage of complete lysis by water (100%). Hemolytic sites on ShEs were calculated as $Z = -ln(1-hemolysis_percentage)$.

Decay accelerating activity (DAA)

To assess FH DAA, C3 convertase was assembled with FB (amount previously titrated, Z = 1) and FD (0.3 µg) using 0.2 mL of C3b-ShE (1 × 10^9 /mL) in GVB-Mg2+ buffer at 30°C for 5 minutes. The reaction was stopped by adding 0.3 mL of ice-cooled GVB-EDTA buffer and, immediately thereafter, 50 µL of C3bBb-ShE was transferred into 350 µL of recombinant FH to yield a final concentration of 10 nM. The resulting mixture was allowed to decay for 0, 2.5, 5, 8, and 12 minutes. At each of these time points, a portion of mixture (50 µL) was transferred into rat serum-EDTA (50 µL) to assess residual C3 convertase activity as described earlier. DAA assays for all recombinant FH variants also included WT recombinant FH and were completed on at least three independent runs. The normal threshold for DAA was considered to be hemolysis of <12.5% at 5-minutes (mean of WT from all runs + 2SD).

Factor I cofactor activity (CA)

To assess FH CA, C3b-ShE (50 μ L, 1 × 10⁹/mL) were incubated with recombinant FH (final concentration 50 nM) and commercially available FI (final concentration 20 nM; Complement Technology Inc., Tyler, TX) at 37°C for 15 minutes in a total volume of 0.4 mL of GVB-Mg2+ buffer. After three washes, cells were resuspended in 50 μ L of GVB-Mg2+ buffer and residual C3bs on ShE were titrated out by using an excess of FB (5× of the amount at *Z* = 1) and FD (0.3 μ g) in GVB-Mg2+ buffer. C3 convertase was formed at 30°C for 5 minutes and the reaction was stopped by adding 300 μ L of GVB-EDTA

buffer. A portion of the mixture (50 μ L) was then transferred into rat serum-EDTA (50 μ L) to assess residual C3 convertase activity, as described earlier. CA assays for all recombinant FH variants also included WT recombinant FH and were completed on at least three independent runs. The normal threshold for CA was considered to be hemolysis < 2.5% after 15-minute incubation (mean of WT from all runs + 2SD).

C3b-binding assay

Binding of FH proteins to immobilized C3b was measured using an in-house plate assay. Briefly, 96-well plates were coated with 50 μ L of C3b at 5 μ g/mL in phosphatebuffered saline (PBS) overnight. After blocking the plates with Tris-Tween (50 mM Tris pH 7.4, 150 mM NaCl, 0.2% Tween20) containing 1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) for 1 hour at room temperature, 100 μ L of the FH proteins was added at different concentrations and the plates were incubated for 1 hour at room temperature. Bound FH was detected using an in-house mouse monoclonal anti-human factor H (mAb 214) followed by a horseradish peroxidase (HRP)-conjugated goat anti-mouse IgG antibody. After incubation with 3,3',5,5'-tetramethylbenzidine (TMB) substrate, 0.1M sulfuric acid was added to stop the reaction. Absorbance was measured at 450 nm. FH variants were tested in triplicate in at least two different experiments. For each FH variant, we calculated the relative amount of protein as compared to WT protein needed to provide 50% C3b-binding (BD₅₀). A BD₅₀ value between 0.33 and 1.67 (mean of WT +/-2SD) was considered normal.

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Carrier Variant	Gender	Age onset	Outcome	Transplant	Recurrences	Treatment	Other Genetics factors	FH levels	Refs.
p.R2T	М	47	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	n/a	1
p.M11T	М	42	CKD	0	0	No	No	Ν	1
p.L74F	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.K82R	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.T91S	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3
p.V111E	М	44	ESRD	1	0	No	No	n/a	1
p.A151T	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	MCP <mark>(</mark> p.A353V)	n/a	2
p.V158I	F	30	CKD	0	0	No	MCP (p.D266N)	n/a	1
	F	38	CKD	0	0	No	CFH (p.A1027P)	n/a	1
	F	60	ESRD	1	2	Eculizumab	No	n/a	1
p.S159N	F	44	ESRD	0	1	PE	No	n/a	1
p.A161S	F	31	ESRD	0	n/a	PE	No	Ν	4
	М	20	CKD	0	n/a	Eculizumab	CFB (p.E566A)	Ν	5
	М	1	CR	0	0	No	No	n/a	1
p.M162V	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Ν	6
p.D187V	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.I216T	М	16	ESRD	0	0	IS/PE/FFP	No	QD	7
p.I221V	М	78	CR	0	n/a	No	No	n/a	1
p.R303Q	F	24	ESRD	2	2	n/a	n/a	Ν	8
p.R341H	F	23	ESRD	0	n/a	None	C3 (p.R161W)	Ν	4
p.S411T	М	17	CR	0	1	Eculizumab	FHR-1 (p.L290S;A296V)	Ν	9
	F	47	ESRD	0	n/a	PE	FHR-1 (p.L290S;A296V)	Ν	9
p.P503A	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.N516K	F	26	CR	0	0	Eculizumab (6m)	C3 (p.K65Q)	n/a	10
	М	51	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	No	Ν	5
	F	3	CKD	0	0	Eculizumab	No	n/a	1
p.D522G	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.T531A	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.I551T(*)	М	29	CKD	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	Ν	5
p.R582H	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Ν	6
p.V609I	F	20	CKD	0	2	No	C3 (p.T1383N)	n/a	1
	F	21	CKD	0	1	PE/Eculizumab	CFH (p.D1119N)	Ν	1
	М	< 1	CR	0	0	No	No	n/a	1
p.V641A	F	30	CKD	0	0	No	No	n/a	1
p.G650V	F	46	CKD	0	0	PE	No	QD	5
	М	9	ESRD	0	n/a	PE	CFH (p.S979C); MCP (c.287-2A>G)	n/a	1
p.V686Mº	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	QD	11
p.P707L	F	30	CR	0	0	Eculizumab (4m)	n/a	n/a	12
p.H821Y	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.V835L	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	13
p.S884P	F	10	CKD	0	0	Eculizumab	No	N	1

Supplemental Table 1. Clinical and genetic data of patients carrying benign FH variants

p.Y951H	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	14
p.T956M	М	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	FFP	No	N	15
	F	23	ESRD	n/a	n/a	n/a	MCP (p.P165S)	N	16
p.F960S	F	34	CKD	n/a	n/a	n/a	C3 (p.R161W)	n/a	17
p.T1017I	М	44	CKD	n/a	n/a	n/a	CFHR1 (p.T205M)	N	5
	М	14	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	N	1
p.Y1021F	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	CFH (p.R1210C)	N	18
p.A1027P	М	14	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	N	1
p.V1054I	М	46	CR	0	0	none	CFH (c.2957-1A>G); MCP (c.286+1G>A)	QD	5
	М	60	ESRD	0	0	Eculizumab	No	N	5
p.Y1058H	М	9	CR	0	2	PE/Eculizumab	C3 (p.I1157T); CFH (p.V1060A)	N	19
	F	11	CKD	0	n/a	Eculizumab	CFH (p.V1060L)	N	1
	М	24	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	CFH (p.V1060L)	N	1
p.I1059T(*)	М	57	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	MCP (p.R96G); C3 (p.G1224N)	N	5
p.V1060L	М	9	CR	0	2	PE/Eculizumab	C3 (p.I1157T); CFH (p.Y1058H)	N	19
p.V1060A	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.S1061P	F	8.5	CKD	0	1	OHCbl	MTHFR (c.677C>T) Hom	N	20
p.Q1076E	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	CFH (Q1187RfsTer84)	n/a	21
	М	53	CR	0	0	None	No	N	5
	М	17	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	No	N	1
p.R1078S	F	25	ESRD	0	1	PE	No	n/a	1
p.E1088D	М	51	R	0	0	Eculizumab (4w)	No	n/a	10
p.P1130L	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	CFH (p.N516K)	n/a	2
p.E1135D	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	22
p.Q1143E(*)	М	45	CKD	1	2	n/a	C3 (p.V850I)	N	5
p.T1184R	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	N	2
p.V1200L	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.R1203W	М	40	ESRD	0	1	n/a	No	QD	16
	М	22	n/a	na	n/a	n/a	No	QD	1

F (female); M (male); CKD (chronic kidney disease); ESRD (End Stage Renal Disease); CR/PR/R (complete remission/partial remission/remission); N (Normal); QD (Quantitative Deficiency); n/a (data no available); IS (immunosuppression); PE (plasma exchange); FFP (fresh-frozen plasma); OHCbI (hydroxycobalamine); K/L (combined kidney and liver transplant). (*) Variants I551T, 11059T and Q1143E are in complete linkage disequilibrium.

Carrier Variant	Gender	Age onset	Outcome	Transplant	Recurrences	Treatment	Other Genetics Factors	FH Levels	Refs.
p.R53C	F	2	CKD	0	0	Eculizumab	No	N	15
	F	27	ESRD	0	0	n/a	No	N	4
	М	0	n/a	0	4	Eculizumab	C3 (p.R951H)	N	16
p.R78G	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	n/a	14
p.Q81P	F	30	ESRD	0	n/a	PE	No	N	4
p.W134R	F	2	CR	0	2	PE	CFH (p.V1197A;V111E)	QD	23
p.R166L	F	20	CR	0	n/a	Eculizumab	No	N	24
p.R175P	М	30	CKD	0	1	PE	<i>MCP</i> (p.S274fs)	n/a	1
p.W198R	М	20	ESRD	0	2	n/a	No	N	16
p.S199G	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	CFH (E1172X)	n/a	2
p.G218E	F	18	ESRD	0	1	PE	No	QD	4
p.P258L	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	QD	5
p.C325Y	F	17	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	n/a	1
p.Y355S	F	0	CR	0	0	PE	n/a	QD	25
p.G397R	F	25	CR	0	n/a	PE	No	QD	4
p.Q400K	F	21	CKD	0	0	No	No	QD	1
p.C431Y	F	35	CKD	0	n/a	PE	No	QD	4
p.C448Y	F	27	ESRD	3	4	n/a	No	QD	16
p.Y475S	F	25	ESRD	2	3	Eculizumab	No	QD	26
p.Y899D	М	0.5	ESRD	1	1	n/a	<i>CFH</i> (p.G1194D)	QD	27
p.C973Y	М	0.4	ESRD	1	Several	FFP	<i>CFH</i> (p.V1197A)	QD	28
p.C1077W	F	0	CR	0	4	PE	CFH (p.Q1139X)	QD	29
p.D1119N	F	1	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	<i>THBD (</i> p.P501L)	N	15
	F	21	CKD	0	1	PE/Eculizumab	<i>CFH</i> (p.V609I)	N	1
	F	44	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<i>CFH</i> (p.V609I)	n/a	1
p.D1119G	F	2	ESRD	0	1	PE	<i>MCP</i> (p.T383I)	n/a	1
p.D1119E	F	<1	Proteinuria	0	1	Eculizumab	No	QD	1
p.Q1137L	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	30
p.Y1142C	F	1	Death	0	3	n/a	No	N	31
	F	22	PR	0	n/a	n/a	No	N	5
p.C1152S	F	33	n/a	n/a	n/a	Eculizumab	No	QD	1
p.W1157R	F	45	n/a	n/a	n/a	PE	No	N	5
	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	N	18
p.P1161T	М	43	ESRD	0	1	n/a	No	N	16
p.C1163W	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	14
p.H1165Y	F	31	CR	0	0	PE	MCP (p.A353V)	n/a	32
p.P1166L	F	29	CKD	1	n/a	Eculizumab	No	N	15
	М	45	CKD	1	n/a	n/a	No	N	15

Supplemental Table 2. Clinical and genetic data of patients carrying pathogenic FH variants

p.V1168A	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	n/a	2
p.I1169L	F	< 1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Homozygote	n/a	1
p.Y1177C	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	n/a	2
p.W1183R	М	1	ESRD	1 (K/L)	n/a	PE	n/a	Ν	33
p.W1183C	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	n/a	2
p.T1184A	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	Ν	2
p.T1184P	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	N	2
p.K1186T	F	30	ESRD	0	1	Eculizumab	No	Ν	1
p.L1189P	F	< 1	n/a	0	0	n/a	No	n/a	1
	М	< 1	ESRD	2	3	PE	CFHR5 (p.K144N)	N	1
p.L1189H	М	6	ESRD	2	1	PE/FFP/Ecu	n/a	N	34
p.S1191L	М	2	ESRD/Death	4	4	n/a	CFH (p.V1197A)	N	16
	М	19	CR	0	0	Eculizumab	No	N	5
p.S1191W	М	0.5	ESRD	1	3	n/a	No	Ν	5
	F	6	ESRD	1	2	Eculizumab	No	n/a	1
p.G1194D	F	31	ESRD	1	0	n/a	MCP (p.F242C)	Ν	35
	М	72	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	n/a	1
p.E1198V	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	36
p.F1199L	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2
p.R1206C	F	7	AKF	CR	0	None	No	Ν	1
p.R1210C	F	29	ESRD	2	2	n/a	No	N	4
	F	0.5	Death	0	5	n/a	CFH (p.T1216del)	Ν	16
p.R1215Q	М	24	ESRD	0	3	n/a	MCP (p.R103Q)	N	35
	F	22	ESRD	3	3	n/a	No	N	16
	F	15	ESRD	2	3	n/a	CFB (p.I242L)	N	16

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Transcript	Protein	Abnormality found	Variant previously associated with expression problems
c.400T>C	W134R	W (a)	No
c.974G>A	C325Y	W	No
c.1064A>C	Y355S	W	No
c.1189G>A	G397R	W	Yes ¹
c.1292G>A	C431Y	W	Yes ²
c.1343G>A	C448Y	W	Yes ³
c.2695T>G	Y899D	W	Yes ⁴
c.2918G>A	C973Y	W	Yes ⁵
c.3231T>G	C1077W	W	Yes ⁶
c.3454T>A	C1152S	F	Yes ⁷
c.3469T>C	W1157R	F	No
c.3481C>A	P1161T	W	No
c.3489C>G	C1163W	F	No
c.3493C>T	H1165Y	F	No
c.3503T>C	V1168A	F	No
c.3581G>A	G1194D	W	No
c.3593A>T	E1198V	W	No
c.3595T>C	F1199L	F	No

Supplementary Table 3. FH variants with expression defects.

(a) **W**, Weak (decreased) intensity of band corresponding to FH in non-reducing SDS-PAGE; **F**, Failed to express *in vitro*.

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Supplemental Figure 1



Supplemental Figure 2

SCR1 (20-81)	DCNELPPRRNTEILT-G-SWSDQTYPEGTQAIYKCRPGYRSLCNVIMVCRK-GEWVALNPLRKCQ	60
SCR2 (82-142)	KRPCGH <mark>P</mark> GDTPFCTFTLTGGNVFEYCVKAVYTCNE <mark>GY</mark> QLLCEINYRECDTD <mark>GW</mark> TNDIPICE	57
SCR3 (142-206)	VVK <mark>CLP</mark> VTAPE <mark>NG</mark> KIVSSA-MEPDREYHFGQAVRFVCNS <mark>GY</mark> KIE <mark>G</mark> DEEMHCSDD <mark>GFW</mark> SKEKPKCV	60
SCR4 (207-263)	EIS <mark>C</mark> KS <mark>P</mark> D-VI <mark>NG</mark> SPISQKIIYKENERFQYKCNM <mark>GY</mark> EYSERGDAVCTE-S <mark>GW</mark> RP-LPSCE	53
SCR5 (264-321)	EKSCDNPY-IPNGDYSPLRIKHRTGDEITYQCRNGFYPATRGNTAKCTS-TGWIP-APRCT	54
SCR6 (322-386)	LKPCDYPD-IK <mark>HG</mark> GLYHENMRRPYFPVAV <mark>G</mark> KYYSYYCDEHFETPSCSYWDHIHCTQ-D <mark>GW</mark> SP-AVPCL	61
SCR7 (387-445)	RKCYFPY-LENGYNQNYGRKFVQGKSIDVACHPGYALPKAQTTVTCME-NGWSP-TPRCIRV	54
SCR8 (446-506)	KTCSKSSIDIE <mark>NG</mark> FISESQYTYALKEKAKYQCKL <mark>GY</mark> VTADCETSGSITCGKD- <mark>GW</mark> SA-QPTCI	58
SCR9 (507-565)	KSCDIPVF-MNARTKNDFTWFKLNDTLD-YECHDGYESNTGSTTGSIVCGYN-GWSD-LPICY	56
SCR10(566-624)	ERECELPK-IDVHLVPDRKKDQYKVCEVLKESCKPCFTIV-CPNSVQCYH-FCLSPDLPICK	55
SCR11(625-685)	EQVQSCGPPPELLNGNVKEKTKEEYGHSEVVEYYCNPRFLMK-CPNKIQCVDGEWTTLPV-CI	55
SCR12(686-745)	VEESTCGDIPELE <mark>HG</mark> WAQLSSPPYYYGDSVEENCSESFTMI-CHRSITCIHGVWTQLPQCV	54
SCR13(746-804)A	IDKLKKCKSSNLIILEE-HLKNKKEFDHNSNIRYRC-RCKECWIHTVCINGRWDPEVNCS	51
SCR14(805-865)	MAQIQLCPPPPQIPNSHNMTTTLNYRDCEKVSVLCQENYLIQECEEITCKDCRWQSIPLCV	54
SCR15(866-927)	EKIPCSQPPQIE <mark>HG</mark> TINSSRSSQESYAH <mark>G</mark> TKLSYTCEG <mark>G</mark> FRISEENETTCYMG <mark>KW</mark> SSPPQCE	57
SCR16(928-985)	GLPCKSPPEISHGVVAHMSDSYQYGEEVTYKCFEGFGID-GPAIAKCLGEKWSHPPSCI	54
SCR17(986-1044)	KTDCLSLPSFENAIPMGEKKDVYKAGEQVTYTCATYYKMD-GASNVTCINSRWTGRPTCR	55
SCR18(1045-1103) DTSCVNPPTVQNAYIVSRQMSKYPSCERVRYQCRSPYEMF-CDEEVMCLNCNWTEPPQCK	55
SCR19(1104-1164) dstgk <mark>c</mark> gp p ppid <mark>ng</mark> ditsfplsv y apassveyqcqnlyqle-cnkritcrngqwsepPkcl	55
SCR20(1165-1231) HPCVISREIMENYNIALRWTAKQKLYSRTCESVEFVCKRCYRLSSRSHTLRTTCWDCKLE-YPTCAKR	62

 $C--P---\frac{N}{H}G----C-Y--G---\frac{Y}{F}-C--G\frac{Y}{F}-C--G---C---C---G-W---P---C$

SCR consensus sequence

Individual variant datasheets
































































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