

1 **Clinical and molecular findings in 37 Turkish patients with isolated methylmalonic**
2 **acidemia**

3 **Abstract**

4 **Background/Aim:** Isolated methylmalonic acidemia (MMA) is caused by complete or
5 partial deficiency of the enzyme methylmalonyl-CoA mutase (mut0 or mut- enzymatic
6 subtype), a defect of its cofactor adenosyl-cobalamin (cblA, cblB, or cblD-MMA) or
7 deficiency of the enzyme methylmalonyl-CoA epimerase. While onset of the disease
8 ranges from the neonatal period to adulthood, most cases present with lethargy, vomiting
9 and ketoacidosis in the early infancy. Major secondary complications are; growth failure,
10 developmental delay, interstitial nephritis with progressive renal failure, basal ganglia
11 injury and cardiomyopathy. We aimed to demonstrate clinical and molecular findings
12 based on long-term follow up in our patient cohort.

13 **Materials and Methods:** The study includes 37 Turkish patients with isolated MMA who
14 were followed up for long term complications 1 to 14 years. All patients were followed
15 up regularly with clinical, biochemical and dietary monitoring to determine long term
16 complications. Next Generation Sequencing technique was used for mutation screening
17 in five disease-causing genes including; *MUT*, *MMAA*, *MMAB*, *MMADHC*, *MCEE* genes.
18 Mutation screening identified 30 different types of mutations.

19 **Results:** While 28 of these mutations were previously reported, one novel MMAA
20 mutation p.H382Pfs*24 (c.1145delA) and one novel MUT mutation
21 IVS3+1G>T(c.752+1G>T) has been reported. The most common clinical complications
22 were growth retardation, renal involvement, mental motor retardation and developmental
23 delay. Furthermore, one of our patients developed cardiomyopathy, another one died
24 because of hepatic failure and one presented with lactic acidosis after linezolid exposure.

1 **Conclusions:** We have detected two novel mutations, including one splice-site
2 mutation in the MUT gene and one frame shift mutation in the MMAA gene in 37 Turkish
3 patients. We confirm the genotype-phenotype correlation in the study population
4 according to the long term complications.

5 **Key words:** Methylmalonic acidemia, novel mutations, complications, outcome

6 **1. Introduction**

7 Isolated methylmalonic acidemia (MMA, OMIM 251000) consists of a group of
8 genetically heterogeneous inborn errors of metabolism characterized by abnormal
9 accumulation of methylmalonyl-CoA and methylmalonic acid (MA) in body fluids
10 without hyperhomocysteinemia [1]. MMA is an autosomal recessive error of organic acid
11 metabolism caused by the impaired isomerization of L-methylmalonyl-CoA to
12 succinylCoA during the oxidation of propionate towards the Krebs cycle [2]. Isolated
13 MMA, is caused by complete or partial deficiency of the mitochondrial enzyme L-
14 methylmalonylCoA mutase (MCM, EC 5.4.99.2) (mut 0 enzymatic subtype or mut-
15 enzymatic subtype, respectively), a defect in the handling of its cofactor, AdoCbl (cblA
16 (OMIM607481), cblB (OMIM607568), or cblD2 variant-MMA (OMIM 606169), or
17 deficiency of the enzyme methylmalonyl-CoA epimerase (MCE) [3]. The five genes
18 known to cause isolated MMA include *MUT*, *MMAA*, *MMAB*, *MMADHC*, *MCEE* genes
19 which are responsible for the MCM, cblA, cblB, and cblD₂ variant, MCE deficiency,
20 respectively [4-7].

21 The disease typically presents in the first weeks or months of life and is clinically
22 characterized by recurrent vomiting, poor feeding, failure to thrive, respiratory distress
23 and neurological deficit from progressive alteration of consciousness to deep coma and

1 death [8]. Ketoacidosis, hypo/hyperglycemia, hyperammonemia, anemia/pancytopenia
2 are the main laboratory findings [8]. Lethal ketoacidosis attacks can follow intercurrent
3 illnesses and it can even mimic diabetic ketoacidosis [9,10]. The mut 0 type, is
4 characterized by significantly low apoenzyme activity which is not more than 0.1 %, often
5 presents with metabolic acidosis within the first week after birth, frequently resulting in
6 death in early childhood. The mut 0 type usually presents with repeated attacks of
7 ketoacidosis which are triggered by infection and high protein intake during the weaning
8 period after the age of 1 year [11].

9 Methylmalonyl-CoA accumulates in the mitochondrial matrix as a result of MCM
10 deficiency, thus it is subsequently hydrolyzed to CoA and MA, resulting in elevated blood
11 and urine levels of MA [12]. The excessive accumulation of methylmalonic acid and its
12 CoA esters may inhibit mitochondrial enzymes [13, 14]. Even with the dietary treatment,
13 affected patients experience various life threatening metabolic crises and most patients
14 have problems with growth and motor skills [15]. Although there is a significant
15 improvement in the therapeutic opportunities over the last 20-year-period, the overall
16 outcome of patients with MMA remained almost stable as the number of long-term
17 complications such as failure to thrive, developmental delay, neurologic disorders by
18 degeneration of the basal ganglia, progressive renal failure, and cardiomyopathy has been
19 increasing [16-19]. It is predicted that some mediators like 2-methylcitrate, MA and other
20 propionate derived mediators inhibit some of the mitochondrial enzymes. 2-methylcitrate
21 inhibits the tricarboxylic acid (TCA) cycle enzymes citrate synthase, aconitase, and
22 isocitrate dehydrogenase. MA inhibits pyruvate carboxylase and propionyl-CoA inhibits
23 CoA dependent enzymes, such as pyruvate dehydrogenase, succinyl-CoA synthetase, and
24 ATP citrate lyase [20]. Furthermore, some studies provided data about the increased levels

1 of lactate particularly in globi pallidi which indicates a secondary respiratory chain
2 deficiency [14, 21].

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4 In this study, we report the clinical features, long term complications and genetic
5 defects in the *MUT*, *MMAA*, and *MMAB* genes of 37 Turkish patients affected with
6 isolated MMA.

7 **2. Materials and Methods**

8 This is a retrospective cohort study between June 2013 and June 2016. Patient data
9 extracted from previous medical records. Written informed consent obtained from all
10 participants during their clinical visits and conducted according to the Declaration of
11 Helsinki.

12 **2.1. Patients**

13 The study includes 37 Turkish patients with isolated MMA, who were diagnosed and have
14 been followed up at the Department of Pediatric Metabolism and Nutrition, Cukurova
15 University, Adana, Turkey between June 2013 and June 2016. Unfortunately, none of the
16 patients were diagnosed through neonatal screening, all patients were diagnosed by urine
17 organic acid analysis and the blood carnitine acylcarnitine profile after presenting clinical
18 symptoms and/or developing complications. Enzyme activity assay cannot be performed.
19 Metabolic treatments, including protein restriction (with administration of isoleucine-,
20 methionine-, threonine-, and valine-free special formulas), oral carnitine
21 supplementation, intermittent eradication of gut flora by metronidazole or neomycin, and
22 cobalamin (either oral or intramuscular administration), were given to all patients. They

1 were all followed-up for long term complications 1 to 14 years. Emergency treatment was
2 performed during acute metabolic crises.

3 **2.2. Chronic Management and Follow-up**

4 Neurological examination with detailed history of developmental milestones was a
5 routine part of evaluation in every visit to the metabolic clinic. All patients were screened
6 with laboratory markers of renal function including urinary electrolytes and protein loss,
7 BUN and creatinine. Creatinine clearances were calculated according to the Schwartz
8 formula annually in all patients to assess the glomerular filtration rates [22]. A glomerular
9 filtration rate under 80ml/min/1.73 m² was defined as renal failure. All patients were
10 routinely screened with echocardiography and electrocardiography (ECG) yearly for
11 cardiac complications.

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13 **2.3. Mutation Analysis**

14 Mutation analysis performed for all participants and results were obtained from medical
15 records, retrospectively. Genomic DNA was isolated from 2 mL EDTA blood samples
16 obtained by venipuncture on antecubital vein. Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)
17 technique was used for mutation screening in five disease-causing genes by Illumina-
18 Miseq (Illumina, San Diego, CA) by using in-house designed primers. Mutation analysis
19 was done directly to the gene in question in case of there is a preliminary clinical
20 diagnosis. In cases without a differential diagnosis within these five, all five genes were
21 sequenced. The Integrative Genomics Viewer (IGV) software of Broad Institute was used
22 for analysis and comparison with reference sequence. All variations was evaluated by
23 checked in HGMD-Public version, ClinVar, Specific databases, 1000 genome database,

1 EXAC and 2000 exome data of Intergen Genetics Center, Google search for the mutations
2 and all mutations, both previously published and unpublished ones, were evaluated with
3 ACMG criteria's, DANN, GERP, dbNSFP. FATHMM, FATHMM-MKL, LRT, MetaLR,
4 MetaSVM, Mutation Assessor, Mutation Taster, SIFT, PROVEAN and Polyphen2. For
5 the splicing defects, we also used Human Splicing Finder program for the prediction.
6 Family screening studies were done for the variants predicted as variant of uncertain
7 significance (VUS) for segregation studies.

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9 **3. Results**

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11 A total of 37 patients representing 36 Turkish families (patients 4 and 5 are siblings) are
12 included in this study. 19 of 37 (51.4%) patients were male and 18 of 37 (48.6) were
13 female. The clinical features and complementation groups of all patients are summarized
14 in Table 1. 19 of 37 patients (51%) presented in the neonatal period (between the ages of
15 1 and 30 days), while the remaining 18 patients presented in the later infancy period
16 (between the ages of 3 and 24 months). Consanguinity was noted in 33 out of 36 families
17 (92%). The interval from the age of onset to the age at diagnosis was between 2 days and
18 7 months, except for patient 14, who had an older sibling (patient 13) known to have
19 MMA and was diagnosed at the age of 4 days. Three patients died during subsequent
20 metabolic crises and one of them died because of severe hepatic coma. 32 patients are
21 alive (ages range from 12 months to 14 years) and they were all followed up regularly in
22 the interim period. The most common clinical and biochemical features described were
23 acute episodes of vomiting, poor feeding, failure to thrive, lethargy, hypotonia, and
24 neurological abnormalities with metabolic acidosis, hyperammonemia and

1 methylmalonic aciduria. Other frequently reported features are neurological
2 complications such as developmental delay and mental and motor retardation and renal
3 involvement. 12 out of 37 patients (32%) have some degree of renal involvement. Patient
4 3 had early-onset and rapidly progressive renal complications, specifically renal tubular
5 acidosis (RTA) type 4 and chronic kidney disease (CKD) stage 3, despite good metabolic
6 control. Patient 10 developed dilated cardiomyopathy with decreased left ventricular
7 ejection fraction (LVEF) of 31% (normal>55%) during a severe metabolic episode at the
8 age of 14 months. When she was 19 months old she had a severe pneumonia and she was
9 transferred to the intensive care unit on day 10 of the hospital admission due to the
10 respiratory failure. The antibiotic therapy was advanced to vancomycin. Because of
11 decreased renal function (estimated renal clearance was under 30mL/min), intravenous
12 linezolid (600mg q/12h) was given as an alternative treatment to vancomycin. After the
13 administration of the third dose of linezolid, her blood lactate levels had increased to
14 10.0mmol/L. As linezolid was suspected as a potential cause of the lactic acidosis, the
15 agent was stopped. The patient required mechanical ventilation because of respiratory
16 failure and continuous renal replacement therapy was started to normalize her blood pH
17 and clear linezolid from her plasma.

18 Eighteen out of thirty-seven patients (49%) had variable neurologic complications,
19 including mental retardation, developmental delay, seizures and metabolic stroke due to
20 the basal ganglia infarction. Growth failure and failure to thrive were identified in 21 out
21 of 37 cases (57%). Overall, 26 out of 37 cases (70%), who are older than 1 year of age
22 were affected with one of the long-term complications related to isolated MMA.

23 Of the 37 isolated MMA patients patients were classified in 3 complementation groups;
24 mut, cblA and cblB. 22 were mut (60%), 12 cblA (32%), and 3 cblB (8%) forms (Table

1 2). Mutation screening identified 30 mutant alleles in all patients diagnosed as isolated
2 MMA. Thirty five patients were homozygous and two patients had compound
3 heterozygous mutations. Ninety four percent (33/35) of the homozygous patients had
4 documented parental consanguinity, only two were nonconsanguineous. Clinical
5 phenotypes were correlated with the genotypes identified.

6 Among identified mutant alleles, 9 different *MMAA* alleles, 3 different *MMAB*
7 alleles and 18 different *MUT* alleles were described. While 28 of these mutant alleles were
8 previously reported, one novel *MMAA* mutation p.H382Pfs*24 (c.1145delA) and one
9 novel *MUT* mutation IVS3+1G>T (c.752+1G>T) has been reported. p.H382Pfs*24
10 (c.1145delA) is a frame shift mutation in exon 7 which is detected in both alleles of patient
11 35. Patient 31 who does not have consanguinity, had IVS3+1G>T (c.752+1G>T) which
12 is located in splice site sequence along with a heterozygous mutated allele p.R108H
13 (c.323G>A). Novel *MUT* and *MMAA* mutations have not been reported in the locus
14 specific databases including, the Human Gene Mutation Database, ClinVar, Specific
15 databases, 1000 genome database, EXAC and 2000 exome data of Intergen Genetics
16 Center.

17 Two previously recognized polymorphisms in *MUT* gene; p.R532H, and p.I671V
18 were reported in patient 2 and 3, respectively. Both patients presented in the first year of
19 life with vomiting, rapid breathing, and restlessness, and was found to have severe
20 metabolic acidosis with an increased anion gap. Tandem mass spectrometry analysis
21 showed significant elevation of propionylcarnitine, which may be indicative of organic
22 acidemia. While plasma amino acid levels were found to be within normal limits, urine
23 organic acid analysis indicated marked excretion of methylmalonic acid and methylcitric
24 acid which confirmed the diagnosis of MMA. They both presented with typical MMA

1 features. Under protein-restricted dietary treatment they both had various subsequent
2 metabolic crisis. While patient 2 who had homozygous p.R532H polymorphism
3 developed growth retardation and mental-motor retardation during the follow-up, patient
4 3 who had p.I671V in a homozygous state presented with severe renal failure and
5 combined liver-renal transplantation was performed at the age of 16.

7 **4. Discussion**

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9 This study expands the mutation spectrum for isolated MMA in the Turkish
10 population particularly highlighting the extent of mutations in the South-eastern part of
11 the country with a large number of patients by using NGS. Moreover, with the
12 classification into the 3 complementation groups, we can slightly anticipate the
13 differences of the phenotypes from the complementation groups and genotypes.

14 It is obvious to say that all of the patients presented in early childhood, almost one
15 half of them, had their first symptoms in the neonatal period. All patients are
16 characterized by intermittent metabolic decompensation periods triggered by infections,
17 excessive protein intake and other stressors. MMA has some major complications such
18 as intellectual impairment; tubulointerstitial nephritis with progressive renal failure;
19 "metabolic stroke" (acute and chronic basal ganglia injury) causing a disabling movement
20 disorder with choreoathetosis, dystonia, and para/quadriplegia; pancreatitis and growth
21 failure [3]. The most common clinical complications of our patients were growth
22 retardation, renal involvement, mental motor retardation and developmental delay.
23 Furthermore, one of our patients developed cardiomyopathy and another one died

1 because of hepatic failure. None of our patients presented with pancreatitis. Moreover,
2 patient 10 presented with life-threatening lactic acidosis after 3 doses of linezolid
3 exposure. While linezolid is increasingly used as a multidrug-resistant antibacterial agent,
4 linezolid-induced lactic acidosis has been frequently reported as a serious side effect [23].
5 On the other hand, it is commonly believed that MMA causes mitochondrial dysfunction
6 by different mechanisms. While elevated metabolites; 2-methylcitrate, methylmalonic
7 acid (MA) and propionyl-CoA inhibit some mitochondrial enzymes, secondary
8 respiratory chain deficiency have also been identified in MMA patients [14]. 2-
9 methylcitrate inhibits citrate synthase, aconitase, and isocitrate dehydrogenase which are
10 the key enzymes of the tricarboxylic acid cycle (TCA); MA inhibits pyruvate
11 carboxylase; and propionyl-CoA inhibits CoA-dependent enzymes; pyruvate
12 dehydrogenase, succinyl-CoA synthetase, and ATP citrate lyase [20]. Thus, neurotoxic
13 metabolites which inhibits the energy metabolism in various different steps and
14 respiratory chain deficiencies detected in many tissues like liver, muscle and proximal
15 tubule cells may enhance the formation of lactic acidosis induced by linezolid.

16 The *MUT* gene mutations contribute to the majority of the mutant alleles in
17 the Turkish patients, similar to the data from other populations [1, 24, 25]. We
18 identified a novel splicing mutation c. 752+1G>T (IVS3+1G>T) in one patient in the
19 compound heterozygote state. The second allele was a missense mutation in exon 3;
20 c.323G>A (p.R108H) [26]. This patient was presented with metabolic decompensation
21 at the age of 1 month. He is currently alive and 5 years old without any complications
22 under the treatment.

23 The frameshift mutation c.360_361insT (p.K121*) was detected in four patients.
24 This single nucleotide insertion causes an immediate stop codon in exon 2. This mutation

1 was first described as a homozygous change in a mutant patient who was born of
2 consanguineous parents [26]. Four of our patients who have this change in a homozygous
3 state presented in the first 2 years of life. While three of them are still alive with milder
4 complications, one of them died after developing severe neurological complications and
5 renal failure.

6 A missense mutation of c.1160C>T (p.T387I) located in exon 6 was found as a
7 homozygous change in two siblings; patient 4 and 5. Although the older one has renal
8 involvement, developmental delay and mental retardation as long-term complications,
9 younger one has developed none of these. This mutation has been firstly identified in a
10 5-year old Turkish patient who has only mental retardation as a complication [15].

11 Another missense mutation of c.1361G>A (p.G454E) which is located in the
12 linker region has been found in two of our patients. Both of them were presented at the
13 third day of life. One of them developed cardiomyopathy and linezolid-induced lactic
14 acidosis besides renal involvement. This missense mutation has been found first in an
15 Italian patient as a heterozygous change with accompanying c.427C>T (p.H143Y)
16 mutation [27]. c.655A>T (p.219Y) mutation is a common missense mutation reported in
17 the Caucasian population particularly in French and Turkish patients [28]. We found this
18 mutation in 3 patients one of them died because of hepatic failure.

19 From presumed missense mutations we identified two single nucleotide
20 polymorphisms (SNP) p. R532H and p.I69V in the *MUT* gene. Although these changes
21 have been determined as benign which has not been accepted as a disease causing variant,
22 both patients had significant clinical and laboratory features of MMA [26]. The functional
23 analysis of this mutant allele bearing both changes will provide insight about the real
24 functional consequences of these sequence variants. Also, while there is no commercial

1 multiplex ligation-dependent probe amplification (MLPA) kit, we could not perform
2 deletion and duplication analysis in these cases. Further molecular analysis should be
3 performed in these patients.

4 c.2179C>T (p.R727*), c.2T>C (p.M1T), c. 2055_2056insCTC, c.668A>G
5 (p.K223R), c.2080C>T (p.R694W), c.421delG (p.A141Rfs*39), c.1843C>A (p.P615T),
6 c.1038_1040delTCT (p.347delL), c.410C>G (p.A137G) and c.1420C>T (p.R474*) are
7 the other *MUT* mutations which have been previously reported [15, 26, 27, 29, 30].

8 9 different *MMAA* gene mutations have been described. While c.1145delA
9 (p.H382Pfs*24) is a novel frameshift mutation, other 8 mutations have been reported
10 previously. 4 of them were missense mutations. c.833G>A (p.G278D) was identified
11 firstly in an Indian infant who presented at 18 months-old with a typical presentation
12 including ketoacidosis and hyperammonemia [31]. c.658G>A (p.V220M), c.1076G>A
13 (p.R359Q) and c.646A>C (p.T216P) are the other missense *MMAA* gene mutations
14 which were identified in our patients in a homozygous state.

15 4 nonsense previously reported *MMAA* mutations have been identified in our
16 patients. c.586C>T (p.R196*) mutation in exon 4 is a non-sense mutation predicted an
17 amino acid change from arginine to a premature stop codon at position 196 in the mature
18 protein. This nonsense mutation has previously been reported in a compound
19 heterozygote patient with B12-responsive cblA-type methylmalonic academia [32]. It has
20 been also reported in a homozygous state in a Turkish infant mimicking diabetic
21 ketoacidosis [33]. c.1075C>T (p.R359*) is another nonsense mutation in exon 7 which
22 has been previously identified with a high resolution melting analysis technique [34].

1 c.988C>T (p.R330*) is the other nonsense mutation at codon 330. The mutation is 37
2 amino acids downstream of a predicted GTP binding site [35]. c.1117G>T (p.E773*) is
3 the fourth nonsense mutation in exon 7 which was found in our patients .

4 We have identified 3 missense mutations in the *MMAB* gene which were all
5 previously reported missense mutations: c.571C>T (p.R191W), c.557G>A (p.R186Q)
6 and c.577G>A (p.E193K) [4, 36, 37].

7 In conclusion, we have detected two novel mutations, including one splice-site
8 mutation in the *MUT* gene and one frame shift mutation in the *MMAA* gene in 37 Turkish
9 patients. In summary, we have reported the genetic basis of three genes causing isolated
10 MMA in Turkey providing clinical data to explain the phenotypic differences of these
11 disorders.

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1 Table 1: Clinical characterization of the isolated MMA patients

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| Patient no | Sex | Consanguinity | Age of onset | Outcome/ Current age (years) | Long-term complications | Zygoty | Mutation |
|------------|-----|---------------|--------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|--|
| 1 | M | Yes | 6 m | Alive/6 | DD, GR | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene p.E773* (c.1117G>T) |
| 2 | M | Yes | 1 m | Alive/8 | GR, MMR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.R532H (c.1595G>A) |
| 3 | M | No | 10 m | Alive/15 | RI, Liver-renal transplantation, GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.I671V (c.2011A>G) |
| 4 | F | Yes | 8 m | Alive/11 | DD, MMR, GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.T387I (c.1160C>T) |

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| 5 | M | Yes | 10 m | Alive/6 | NA | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.T387I (c.1160C>T) |
| 6 | M | No | 12 m | Alive/5 | RI, GR | CH | <i>MUT</i> gene c.2055_2056insCTC / p.R727* (c.2179C>T) |
| 7 | F | Yes | 6 m | Died | MMR, contractures, GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.M1T (c.2T>C) |
| 8 | M | Yes | 3 d | Alive/6 | RI, GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.G454E (c.1361G>A) |
| 9 | F | Yes | 10 m | Alive/6 | DD,RI | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene p.H382Pfs*2 4 (c.1145delA) |

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|----|---|-----|------|----------|--------------------------------|---|---|
| 10 | F | Yes | 3 d | Alive/5 | RI, CMP, GR LA | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.G454E (c.1361G>A) |
| 11 | M | Yes | 6 m | Alive/12 | DD, MMR, RI, GR | H | <i>MMAB</i> gene p.R191W (c.571C>T) |
| 12 | F | Yes | 20 d | Died | HF, GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.N219Y (c.655A>T) |
| 13 | F | Yes | 24 m | Alive/8 | MMR, RI | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene p.G278D (c.833G>A) |
| 14 | F | No | 25 d | Died | MMR contractures, GR, RI | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.K223R (c.668A>G) |
| 15 | M | Yes | 15 m | Died | MMR, GR, RI | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.R694W (c.2080C>T) |

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|----|---|-----|------|----------|------------------|---|---|
| 16 | M | Yes | 3 d | Alive/3 | DD | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.N219Y (c.655A>T) |
| 17 | F | Yes | 18 d | Alive/6 | MR | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene p.R359Q (c.1076G>A) |
| 18 | F | Yes | 13 d | Alive/8 | RI, DD, MR GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.A141Rfs*3 9 (c.421delG) |
| 19 | F | Yes | 3 d | Alive/1 | DD | H | <i>MMAA</i> genep.R196* (c.586C>T) |
| 20 | F | Yes | 22 d | Alive/11 | MMR, GR | H | <i>MMAB</i> gene p.E193K (c.577G>A) |
| 21 | F | Yes | 5 d | Alive/10 | GR | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene c.1075C>T (p.R359*) |
| 22 | M | Yes | 20 d | Alive/1 | NA | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene c.658G>A (p.V220M) |

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| 23 | M | Yes | 3 d | Alive/7 | DD, RI, GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.347delL(c.1038_1040delTCT) |
| 24 | F | Yes | 2 d | Alive/5 | NA | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.K121* (c.360_361insT) |
| 25 | M | Yes | 3 d | Alive/2 | NA | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene p.R330* (c.988C>T) |
| 26 | F | Yes | 4 m | Alive/2 | DD | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.K121* (c.360_361insT) |
| 27 | M | Yes | 6 m | Died | MMR Dystonia Epilepsy, RI, GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.K121* (c.360_361insT) |

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|----|---|-----|------|---------|----|----|--|
| 28 | F | Yes | 24 m | Alive/5 | NA | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene p.T216P (c.646A>C) |
| 29 | F | Yes | 16 m | Alive/5 | GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.P615T (c.1843C>A) |
| 30 | M | Yes | 8 m | Alive/4 | GR | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene p.R196* (c.586C>T) |
| 31 | M | No | 1 m | Alive/5 | NA | CH | <i>MUT</i> gene p.R108H (c.323G>A)/ IVS3+1G>T(c.752+1G>T) -novel |
| 32 | M | Yes | 18 m | Alive/6 | GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.K121* (c.360_361in sT) |

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| 33 | M | Yes | 2 d | Alive/3 | NA | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.N219Y (c.655A>T) |
| 34 | M | Yes | 2 d | Alive/4 | NA | H | <i>MMAB</i> gene p.R186Q (c.557G>A) |
| 35 | F | Yes | 12 m | Alive/4 | NA | H | <i>MMAA</i> gene p.H382Pfs*2 4 (c.1145delA) -novel |
| 36 | M | Yes | 29 m | Alive/5 | GR | H | <i>MUT</i> gene p.A137G (c.410C>G) |
| 37 | F | Yes | 2 d | Alive/1 | DD | H | <i>MUT</i> genep.R474* (c.1420C>T) |

1 GR: growth retardation; DD: developmental delay; RI: renal involvement; CMP:
2 cardiomyopathy; LA: lactic acidosis; MMR: mental motor retardation; HF: hepatic
3 failure; NA: not available; m:months; d: days; H: homozygous; CH: compound
4 heterozygous

Table 2: Identified mutations

| Gene/ Reference Seq | Protein Change | Nucleotid change | Exon | Mutation type | ACMG |
|------------------------------|----------------|------------------|------|---------------|------------|
| <i>MMAA</i> / NM_172250.2 | p.H382Pfs*24 | c.1145delA | 7 | Frame Shift | Pathogenic |
| <i>MMAA</i> / NM_172250.2 | p.G278D | c.833G>A | 6 | Missense | VUS |
| <i>MMAA</i> / NM_172250.2 | p.V220M | c.658G>A | 4 | Missense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MMAA</i> / NM_172250.2 | p.E773* | c.1117G>T | 7 | Nonsense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MMAA</i> / NM_172250.2 | p.R359Q | c.1076G>A | 7 | Missense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MMAA</i> / NM_172250.2 | p.R196* | c.586C>T | 4 | Nonsense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MMAA</i> / NM_172250.2 | p.R359* | c.1075C>T | 7 | Nonsense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MMAA</i> / NM_172250.2 | p.R330* | c.988C>T | 7 | Nonsense | Pathogenic |

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|------------------------------|---------|-------------------|----|----------------------|----------------------|
| <i>MMAA</i> / NM_172250.2 | p.T216P | c.646A>C | 4 | Missense | VUS |
| <i>MMAB</i> / NM_052845.3 | p.R191W | c.571C>T | 7 | Missense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MMAB</i> / NM_052845.3 | p.R186Q | c.557G>A | 7 | Missense | VUS |
| <i>MMAB</i> / NM_052845.3 | p.E193K | c.577G>A | 7 | Missense | VUS |
| <i>MUT</i> / NM_000255.3 | p.R532H | c.1595G>A | 9 | Missense | Benign |
| <i>MUT</i> / NM_000255.3 | p.I671V | c.2011A>G | 12 | Missense | Benign |
| <i>MUT</i> / NM_000255.3 | p.T387I | c.1160C>T | 6 | Missense | VUS |
| <i>MUT</i> / NM_000255.3 | - | c.2055_2056insCTC | 12 | Deletion- inframe | Likely pathogenic |
| <i>MUT</i> / NM_000255.3 | p.R727* | c.2179C>T | 13 | Nonsense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MUT</i> / NM_000255.3 | p.M1T | c.2T>C | 2 | Missense | Likely pathogenic |

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|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----|-------------|-------------------|
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.G454E | c.1361G>A | 7 | Missense | VUS |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.N219Y | c.655A>T | 3 | Missense | Likely pathogenic |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.K223R | c.668A>G | 3 | Missense | VUS |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.R694W | c.2080C>T | 12 | Missense | Likely pathogenic |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.A141Rfs*39 | c.421delG | 3 | Frame Shift | Pathogenic |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.K121* | c.360_361insT | 2 | Nonsense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.P615T | c.1843C>A | 11 | Missense | Likely pathogenic |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.R108H | c.323G>A | 2 | Missense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | IVS3+1G>T | c.752+1 G>T | 3+1 | Splicing | Pathogenic |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.347delL | (c.1038_1040delTCT) | 3 | Deletion | Likely pathogenic |

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|-------------------------|---------|-----------|---|----------|------------|
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.A137G | c.410C>G | 3 | Missense | Pathogenic |
| <i>MUT/</i> NM_000255.3 | p.R474* | c.1420C>T | 7 | Nonsense | Pathogenic |

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2 ACMG: American college of medical genetics ; VUS: variant of uncertain significance

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