

**Supplementary Table 1a.** HD-like syndromes with typical onset in adulthood.

	<b>Demographic features</b>	<b>Core neurological features</b>	<b>Cognitive and behavioural abnormalities</b>	<b>Ancillary investigations</b>	<b>Molecular genetics</b>
<b>HDL-1</b>	Prevalence: unknown;  Observed only in Caucasian families	Chorea, rigidity, ataxia, dysarthria, seizures	Cognitive deterioration, personality changes, mania-like symptoms	MRI: atrophy of frontal and temporal lobes, cerebellum and basal ganglia	AD  <i>PRNP</i> gene:  192-nucleotide insertion leading to extra-octapeptide repeats in the prion protein
<b>HDL-2</b>	Prevalence unknown;  South African ancestry	Chorea or parkinsonism (2 forms), dysarthria, hyperreflexia, jerky	Dementia, depression, apathy, irritability	MRI: atrophy of caudate and cortex  Acanthocytosis	AD  <i>JPH3</i> gene (TMA):  CTG repeat

		saccades			expansion
<b>SCA17 (HDL-4)</b>	Prevalence 0.5-1.6/million  All ethnic groups	Ataxia, chorea, dystonia, eye movement abnormalities , pyramidal signs, rigidity	Dementia, depression, apathy, psychosis	MRI: atrophy of cerebellum, brainstem, caudate, cortex	AD  <i>TBP</i> gene (TMA):  CAA/CAG repeat expansion
<b>DRPLA</b>	Prevalence 4.8/million in the Japanese population; much rarer in other ethnic groups	Ataxia, chorea, dystonia, myoclonus, epilepsy	Dementia or progressive intellectual deterioration (in children), personality changes, psychosis	MRI: atrophy of cerebellum and brainstem (esp. pontine tegmentum)	AD  <i>ATN1</i> gene (TMA):  CAG repeat expansion
<b>Chorea-Acanthocytosis</b>	Prevalence unknown  All ethnic groups	Chorea, dystonia, dysarthria, dysphagia, tongue/lip biting, seizures,		MRI: atrophy of caudate and T <sub>2</sub> -weighted signal increase in caudate and putamen	AR  <i>VPS13A</i> :  Sequence analysis or deletion-

		myopathy, sensorimotor axonopathy		Acanthocytosis  Raised serum CK	duplication  analysis
<b>McLeod syndrome</b>	Prevalence  unknown  All ethnic groups	Chorea, seizures, sensorimotor axonopathy, myopathy, dilated CMP and arrhythmias	Mild cognitive deficits, personality disorder, anxiety, depression, OCD, bipolar or schizo- affective disorder	MRI: atrophy of caudate and putamen  McLeod blood group phenotype (Kx erythrocyte antigen)  Acanthocytosis  Compensated hemolysis  Raised serum CK, LDH, AST, ALT  Abnormal EMG/NCS	XR  XK: Direct DNA methods (available only for research)

Muscle CT or  
biopsy: fatty  
degeneration of  
lower leg  
muscles

Cardiac  
abnormalities  
on echo and  
ECG

**Neuro-  
ferritinopathy**

Prevalence  
unknown  
  
Possible  
common  
founder in  
Europe

Dystonia,  
chorea,  
parkinsonism  
, dysarthria,  
dysphonia,  
dysphagia,  
hyperreflexia

Mild cognitive  
difficulties  
with cognitive  
and  
behavioural  
changes only  
later on in the  
disease course

MRI: iron  
deposition in  
basal ganglia,  
cystic  
degeneration  
  
Low serum  
ferritin levels

AD  
  
*FTL*:  
Sequence  
analysis  
detecting  
point  
mutations  
and small  
deletions or  
insertions in  
80% of  
familial  
cases (much  
less in

sporadic presentations )

**SCA14**

Prevalence unknown  
Different ethnic groups  
Ataxia, dysarthria, dysphagia, dysphonia, eye movement abnormalities, sensory loss, pyramidal signs, chorea

Dementia, depression

MRI: Mild-to-moderate cerebellar atrophy

AD  
*PRKCG*: Sequence analysis detecting point mutations and small deletions (unknown detection rate)

**SCA8**

Prevalence unknown  
May be especially common in Finland  
Ataxia, dysarthria, hyperreflexia, chorea

Cognitive deterioration

MRI: mild-to-moderate cerebellar atrophy

AD  
*SCA8/ATXN8*: Trinucleotide repeat expansion within two

overlapping  
genes

AD: autosomal dominant; TMA: targeted mutation analysis; AR: autosomal recessive; XR: X-linked recessive; CMP: cardiomyopathy.

**Supplementary Table 1b.** HD-like syndromes with typical onset in the first two decades.

	<b>Demographic features</b>	<b>Core neurological features</b>	<b>Cognitive and behavioural abnormalities</b>	<b>Ancillary investigations</b>	<b>Molecular genetics</b>
<b>Benign hereditary chorea</b>	Prevalence: unknown;  Observed all ethnic groups	Chorea, very rarely  dysarthria, dystonia, myoclonus	Psychosis  very rare	None	AD  <i>NKX2-1</i> gene in a proportion of patients:  point mutations or large deletion
<b>Friedreich ataxia</b>	Prevalence 20-40/million  Well documented in Europe, Middle East, India, North Africa	Ataxia, areflexia, dysarthria, loss in position and/or vibration sense, pyramidal signs, chorea, scoliosis, pes	Mild abnormalities of executive functioning	MRI: atrophy of cervical spinal cord and cerebellum later on in the course  Glucose tolerance test	AR  <i>FXN</i> gene (TMA):  GAA repeat expansion

	(not in Southeast Asia, sub-saharan Africa, Native Americans)	cavus, cardiomyopathy, optic atrophy, deafness, glucose intolerance		abnormal Echocardiography and ECG abnormalities	Sequence analysis or deletion-
				Abnormal NCS and central motor conduction time	duplication analysis also possible
<b>Ataxia-teleangiectasia</b>	Prevalence 10-20/million live births  All ethnic groups	Ataxia, head tilting, dysarthria, teleangiectasias, oculomotor apraxia, chorea, dystonia, immunodeficiency and increased rate of infections (especially respiratory tract) and neoplasms	Learning disabilities possible	Raised serum AFP  Severe depletion of ATM protein on immunoblotting or other cell-based functional assays	AR  <i>ATM</i> gene (TMA): c.103C>T (common allele in specific ethnic populations)  Sequence, deletion-duplication



and  
haplotype  
analyses  
also  
possible

**Ataxia with  
oculomotor  
apraxia types  
1 and 2**

Type 1:  
  
Prevalence  
0.041/million in  
Portugal  
(unknown  
elsewhere)  
  
All ethnic  
groups  
  
Type 2:  
  
approx.  
2/million in  
Alsace  
(unknown  
elsewhere);

Ataxia,  
oculomotor  
apraxia, axonal  
neuropathy,  
chorea, dystonia

Cognitive  
impairment  
(different  
degrees)

MRI: atrophy  
of cerebellum  
  
Abnormal NCS  
  
Hypercholester  
olemia  
  
Hypoalbumine  
mia (type 1)  
  
Raised serum  
AFP and CK  
(type 2)  
  
Elevated IgG  
and IgA levels  
(type 2)

Type 1:  
  
AR  
  
*APTX* gene  
(type 1)  
  
*SETX* gene  
(type 2):  
  
Sequence or  
deletion-  
duplication  
analyses

mainly French-  
Canadian and  
Anglo-Norman  
populations

<b>PKAN</b>	Prevalence estimated to approximately 1-3/million  All ethnic groups	Dystonia, rigidity, dysarthria, dysphagia, eye movement abnormalities, chorea, gait disorder, pyramidal signs, retinal degeneration or optic atrophy		MRI: ‘eye-of-the-tiger’ sign in globus pallidus  Acanthocytosis  Low or absent plasma pre-beta lipoprotein fraction	AR  <i>PANK2</i> gene:  Sequence analysis
<b>PLA2G6-associated neurodegeneration</b>	Prevalence unknown  Different ethnic groups	Dystonia, parkinsonism (L-dopa responsive), pyramidal signs, dysphagia, dysarthria, optic atrophy,	Dementia or global developmental delay	MRI: iron deposition in globus pallidus or normal	AR  <i>PLA2G6</i> gene: Direct DNA methods (available only for

		cerebellar features, chorea, sensorimotor axonopathy			research)
<b>Kufor Rakeb syndrome</b>	Prevalence unknown  Different ethnic groups	Parkinsonism (L-dopa responsive), dysarthria, lip/chin myoclonic/tremor, dysphonia, dysphagia, pyramidal signs, supranuclear gaze palsy	Dementia, hallucinations, aggressive behaviour	MRI: iron deposition in basal ganglia or normal	AR  <i>ATP13A2</i> gene: Direct DNA methods (available only for research)
<b>Wilson's disease</b>	Prevalence 30-35/million All ethnic groups, higher in China, Japan, and Sardinia	Tremor, loss of fine motor control, chorea, dystonia, rigidity, Kaiser-Fleischer rings, liver disease	Depression, anxiety, compulsions, phobias, personality changes, cognitive impairment	MRI: copper accumulation in putamen and globus pallidus  Low serum ceruloplasmin, increased basal urinary copper	AR  <i>ATP7B</i> gene (TMA): Sequence analysis and deletion-duplication

excretion, testing also  
 increased available  
 hepatic copper  
 concentration

<b>Aceruloplasmi nemia</b>	Prevalence  estimated as  approximately  0.5/million in  Japan  Also other  ethnic groups	Ataxia,  dysarthria,  nystagmus,  dystonia,  tremor, chorea,  parkinsonism,  diabetes mellitus	Cognitive  deterioration	MRI: iron  accumulation in  basal ganglia  Serum  ceruloplasmin  undetectable on  Western blot,  low serum  copper, iron  and ferritin,  plasma  ceruloplasmin  ferroxidase  activity  undetectable  Raised iron  levels in liver  and pancreatic	AR  <i>CP</i> gene:  Sequence analysis  (available only for research)
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islet beta cells

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