# Similar frequency of paternal uniparental disomy involving chromosome 20q (patUPD20q) in Japanese and Caucasian patients affected by sporadic pseudohypoparathyroidism type Ib (sporPHP1B)

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# **Highlights**

- Pseudohypoparathyroidism type Ib (PHP1B) is caused by proximal tubular resistance to parathyroid hormone.
- In few sporPHP1B patients the disease is caused by paternal uniparental isodisomy involving chromosome 20q (patUPD20q).
- We investigated 23 Japanese sporadic PHP1B cases to determine whether patUPD20q can be their cause of PHP1B.
- PatUPD20q was confirmed for two patients.
- Paternal duplication of the chromosomal region comprising the *GNAS* locus appears to be a relatively common cause of sporPHP1B.

# **ABSTRACT**

Pseudohypoparathyroidism type Ib (PHP1B) is caused by proximal tubular resistance to parathyroid hormone that occurs in most cases in the absence of Albright's Hereditary Osteodystrophy (AHO). Familial forms of PHP1B are caused by maternally inherited microdeletions within STX16, the gene encoding syntaxin 16, or within GNAS, a complex genetic locus on chromosome 20q13.3 encoding Gsα and several splice variants thereof. These deletions lead either to a loss-of-methylation affecting GNAS exon A/B alone or to epigenetic changes involving multiple differentially methylated regions (DMRs) within GNAS. Broad GNAS methylation abnormalities are also observed in most sporadic PHP1B (sporPHP1B) cases. However, with the exception of paternal uniparental disomy involving chromosome 20q (patUPD20q), the molecular mechanism leading to this disease variant remains unknown. We now investigated 23 Japanese sporPHP1B cases, who presented with hypocalcemia, hyperphosphatemia, elevated PTH levels, and occasionally with TSH elevations and mild AHO features. Age at diagnosis was 10.6±1.45 years. Calcium, phosphate, and PTH were 6.3±0.23 mg/dl, 7.7±0.33 mg/dl, and 305±34.5 pg/ml, respectively, i.e. laboratory findings that are indistinguishable from those previously observed for Caucasian sporPHP1B cases. All investigated patients showed broad GNAS methylation changes. Eleven individuals were homozygous for SNPs within exon NESP and a pentanucleotide repeat in exon A/B. Two of these patients furthermore revealed homozygosity for numerous microsatellite markers on chromosome 20q raising the possibility of patUPD20q, which was confirmed through the analysis of parental DNA. Based on this and our previous reports, paternal duplication of the chromosomal region comprising the GNAS locus appears to be a fairly common cause of sporPHP1B that is likely to occur with equal frequency in Caucasians and Asians.

Key words; pseudohypoparathyroidism, parathyroid hormone, epigenetic, GNAS, uniparental disomy.

# **INTRODUCTION**

Pseudohypoparathyroidism (PHP) is characterized by resistance to parathyroid hormone (PTH) in proximal renal tubules that leads to hypocalcemia and hyperphosphatemia (1). Different PHP variants have been recognized, which are all associated with loss or severely reduced expression of the alpha-subunit of the stimulatory G protein (Gs $\alpha$ ) in this portion of the kidney thus causing impaired signal transduction of PTH and other hormones via the cAMP/PKA signaling pathway (2, 3). Gs $\alpha$  is encoded by *GNAS* located on the long arm of chromosome 20 (20q13.3), a complex imprinted locus that generates multiple sense and antisense transcripts. Through the utilization of alternative first exons and promoters, *GNAS* furthermore gives rise to several additional transcripts. These include the A/B transcript, which may encode an aminoterminally truncated form of Gs $\alpha$  (4) and non-coding antisense transcripts (AS) (5, 6), as well as transcripts encoding the extra-large G $\alpha$ s variant (XL $\alpha$ s) and a 55-kDa neuroendocrine secretory protein (NESP55).

Patients affected by PHP type Ia (PHP1A) show resistance to several hormones that mediate their actions through G protein-coupled receptors and display various features of Albright's Hereditary Osteodystrophy (AHO), including short stature, round face, obesity, brachydactyly, ectopic ossifications, and/or various degrees of mental retardation (1). PHP1A is caused by inactivating heterozygous mutations involving one of the 13 GNAS exons or introns on the maternal allele. Subjects presenting with certain AHO features, but without hormonal resistance, obesity, and mental abnormalities, are classified as pseudopseudohypoparathyroidism (PPHP). This disorder is also caused by mutations affecting Gsa, but these are located on the paternal GNAS allele, rather than the maternal allele as in PHP1A (7).

Resistance toward PTH in the proximal renal tubules occurs also in PHP type Ib (PHPIB). These patients can furthermore show resistance towards other hormones, particularly towards TSH, and they may present

with AHO features that can be indistinguishable from those observed in PHP1A (8-11). PHP1B is not caused by *GNAS* mutations involving the region encoding Gsα, but instead by loss-of-methylation (LOM) at *GNAS* exon A/B located within a differentially methylated region (DMR) (7). LOM can also be observed at additional *GNAS* exons, namely AS and XL, which is usually associated with a gain-of-methylation (GOM) at *GNAS* exon NESP.

The autosomal dominant (AD) form of PHP1B (AD-PHP1B) can be caused by maternal heterozygous deletions in *STX16* (3-kb, 4.4-kb, and 24.6-kb deletions), the gene encoding syntaxin-16 located approximately 220 kb upstream of *GNAS* exon A/B (12). These *STX16* deletions are associated with LOM affecting only *GNAS* exon A/B (12-14), which leads through unknown mechanisms to a reduction or loss of Gsα expression from the maternal allele. Indistinguishable LOM affecting only *GNAS* exon A/B occurs also with a maternal deletion comprising exon NESP and the upstream region (15).

AD-PHP1B can also be caused by maternally inherited deletions involving NESP and/or AS, which are associated with loss of all maternal *GNAS* methylation imprints (16, 17). Similarly broad methylation changes are also observed in most sporadic PHP1B (sporPHP1B) patients, but the molecular mechanism underlying these epigenetic changes remains unclear for the majority of these patients. In a few sporPHP1B patients the disease is caused by paternal uniparental isodisomy involving chromosome 20q (patUPD20q), which includes the *GNAS* locus (18-22). Such chromosomal rearrangements have not yet been described for the Japanese population. We therefore investigated 23 Japanese sporPHP1B patients, all of whom showed broad methylation changes involving all four DMRs of the *GNAS* locus, which led to the identification of two patients with patUPD20q. We furthermore mapped the known duplications and assessed the frequency

of UPD20q based on this and previous reports, which will help guiding the evaluation and genetic counseling of sporPHP1B patients.

# MATERIALS AND METHODS

# Patients and healthy family members

We investigated 23 Japanese sporPHP1B cases, who had presented with PTH-resistant hypocalcemia and hyperphosphatemia, and mild AHO features in some; clinical and laboratory information of most of these patients was previously reported (23). None of the available parents, siblings, and children showed abnormalities in calcium and phosphate homeostasis. Clinical features, biochemical results, and epigenetic findings for each patient are presented in Table 1.

# Molecular studies

The study was approved by the Ethics Committee of Chiba University and the Massachusetts General Hospital. Genetic analyses were performed after obtaining informed consent from the patient or parents.

Genomic DNA was extracted from peripheral blood leukocytes, as described (23).

# **Methylation analysis**

Southern blot analysis and methylation specific-polymerase chain reaction (MS-PCR) were performed, as described (23). Multiplex ligation-dependent probe amplification (MLPA) and methylation specific-MLPA (MS-MLPA) were performed using the SALSA MLPA kit ME031 GNAS (MRC-Holland, Amsterdam, The Netherland) following the manufacturer's instructions. Analysis of the PCR products was performed on an ABI3130 genetic analyzer and using the GeneMapper Software (Applied Biosystems) at the DNA Core Facility of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

# Analysis of SNPs and microsatellite markers

The PCR to search for single nucleotide polymorphism was performed with QIAGEN Taq DNA polymerase and the other reagents supplied with the same kit following the manufacture's protocols. PCR primers are listed in Supplemental Table 4. The PCR products were purified using ExoSap-IT (Affymetrix) and sequenced at the DNA Core Facility of the Massachusetts General Hospital. Analysis of microsatellite markers across the entire chromosome 20 was performed by the Center for Human Genetic Research of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

#### **RESULTS**

# Laboratory and clinical findings in our cohort of sporPHP1B patients

We investigated a total of 23 Japanese subjects with sporPHP1B; sixteen of these patients were recently described (23), while the additional patients had previously not been reported (see Table 1). Parents and available siblings of our patients have/had no mineral ion abnormalities. All 23 patients showed, when first diagnosed, hypocalcemia and hyperphosphatemia associated with a significant increase in serum PTH levels. Seven patients also had elevated TSH levels. Ten patients presented with mild AHO features. Taken together, these findings in our cohort of sporPHP1B cases were similar to those observed by us (23,24) (Table 2) and others (8,9,11,21).

# GNAS methylation status and search for deletions in GNAS and STX16

MS-MLPA of genomic DNA of all patients revealed broad *GNAS* methylation changes (see Table 1) that are indistinguishable from those previously reported by us (23, 24) and others (8,9,11,21). MLPA provided no evidence for an allelic loss within *GNAS* or *STX16*; the 3-kb deletion in *STX16*, which is the most frequent cause of AD-PHP1B (24-26), was furthermore excluded in all 23 patients by PCR analysis, as previously described (12). The child of patient P24 is reportedly healthy and showed no epigenetic change at the *GNAS* locus.

# Analysis of SNPs and microsatellite markers at the GNAS locus

Paternal uniparental disomy of chromosome 20q (patUPD20q) and the associated methylation changes at all four *GNAS* DMRs had provided a molecular explanation for some of the sporPHP1B patients (18-22). Most

of these cases had revealed isodisomy rather than heterodisomy, and we therefore first analyzed three frequent SNPs (rs1800900, rs1800905, and rs138461295) and the pentanucleotide repeat polymorphism at *GNAS* exon A/B (309F20-GGCGC) (Fig. 1 and Suppl. Table 1) to explore the possibility of patUPD20q in our cohort.

Eight patients were heterozygous for two or more of these variants, making a duplication of the paternal chromosome 20q unlikely. Eleven patients were homozygous for the four SNPs within *GNAS* and four patients were heterozygous for one of these variants. The latter fifteen individuals were therefore analyzed further through the analysis of six polymorphic microsatellite markers surrounding the *GNAS* locus (see Fig. 1 and Suppl. Table 2). Two of these individuals revealed homozygosity for all six markers raising the possibility of patUPD20q.

Analysis of patients and parents through microsatellite markers across the entire chromosome 20

We furthermore analyzed numerous polymorphic markers across the entire chromosome 20 for patient

P44 and both of her parents, as well as for patient P18 and her mother (her father is deceased). The studies

revealed paternal isodisomy involving the entire long arm of chromosome 20, yet showed bi-parental

inheritance for the short arm of chromosome 20. Furthermore, MLPA revealed no evidence for an allelic loss

in the STX16-GNAS region leading us to the conclusion that both sporPHP1B cases are affected by

patUPD20q (Fig. 2). The non-identical healthy twin brother of P44 showed no evidence for GNAS

methylation abnormalities, as determined by MS-MLPA. Analysis of microsatellite markers 907-rep2,

261P9-CA, and D20S171 furthermore excluded patUPD20q; other markers were not informative (data not shown). Analysis of these and additional polymorphic markers provided no evidence for patUPD20q for the other investigated patients.

# **DISCUSSION**

Our Japanese sporPHP1B cases affected both sexes equally, and their ages and laboratory abnormalities at diagnosis were not significantly different from those previously reported by us (see Table 2) and others (8,9,11) for Caucasian sporPHP1B cases. Furthermore, no significant differences in clinical and laboratory findings were observed for the two patUPD20q patients presented herein and other previously reported cases with duplications involving the long arm of chromosome 20 (see Table 3). Patients with patUPD comprising the long arm of chromosome 20, the entire chromosome, and only segments of chromosome 20q showed no significant differences with regards to age at disease onset as well as levels of PTH, calcium, and phosphate at presentation. This suggests that no another imprinted gene or functionally relevant polymorphisms on chromosome 20 contributes to mineral ion homeostasis.

Dixit *et al.* had proposed a novel phenotype related to PHP1B due to patUPD20q, namely a relatively high birth weight and obesity, which was noticed during infancy and persisted until later in life (22). Moreover, macrocephaly and tall stature had been observed as possible additional changes (20). However, at the ages of 7 and 12 years, respectively, our two patUPD20q patients were only slightly above average in height and neither was obese (Fig. 2). Besides *GNAS*, the long arm of chromosome comprises only one other imprinted gene, namely *NNAT* (20q11.2-q12) encoding neuronatin. Loss of this paternally expressed gene has been implicated in obesity (35;38-41), while biparental *NNAT* expression as in patUPD20q does not seem to be associated with changes in weight. However, six of seven previously reported patients with patUPD20q comprising the *NNAT* region were taller than average, while three patients whose UPD regions do not extend to this locus were below average for height (see Table 3). This could imply that *NNAT* contributes to growth.

UPD is the state in which a chromosomal region or segment is inherited only from a single parent. The

duplicated region may vary from segmental (interstitial or telomeric) to an entire chromosome. Several mechanisms resulting in the formation of UPD have been proposed, including monosomy rescue, trisomy rescue, gamate complementation, and post-fertilization errors (27). Clinically relevant consequences resulting from UPD include, besides trisomic mosaicism, genomic imprinting disorders and homozygosity for a recessive mutation, or a combination of both latter conditions. For example, a homozygous mutation in the adenosine deaminase was recently shown to lead to severe combined immunodeficiency because of a paternal duplication of the entire chromosome 20, which most likely caused PHP1B besides ADA-SCID (28).

UPD is a very rare event with an estimated frequency in newborns of 0.029% (29). More frequently, UPD is observed as a cause of imprinting disorders. For example, Silver-Russel-Syndrome (SRS) is caused in 5-10% of the cases by matUPD7 (30, 31), while 3-5% of patients with Angelman syndrome (AS) showed patUPD15 (32) and 20% of patients with Prader-Willi syndrome (PWS) revealed matUPD15 (33). Furthermore, patUPD6 was detected in 41% of the patients with Transient Neonatal Diabetes Mellitus (TNDM) (34) and segmental patUPD11p accounted for 20% of the cases with Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrome (BWS) (35). In addition, it appears plausible that matUPD15 causes some forms of central precocious puberty since mutations in the imprinted gene MKRN3 were found only in 15 out of 32 investigated patients (36).

Since the first description of patUPD20q as a cause of sporPHP1B (18), an additional 10 patients with this disorder have been reported (19-22), including those described in this manuscript. Most of these cases (6 out 11) revealed duplication of only one paternal long arm or the entire chromosome 20 (isodisomy), although the boundaries of the duplication were not always conclusively defined (see Fig. 1). The remaining sporPHP1B cases had smaller duplications involving chromosome 20q, including a duplication of only 7.6 Mb (20q13.31-

q13.32) (22). Only one previous report had provided evidence for heterodisomy involving the short arm of chromosome 20 that was combined with interstitial isodisomy affecting chromosome 20q (20); this very infrequent cause of UPD could not be explored in the current study because parental DNA was not available for most patients.

The *GNAS* methylation changes for our patients with patUPD20q were indistinguishable from those of other reported cases with different extents of UPD. This indicates that a maternal segment that is no longer present within the duplicated 4.6 Mb region contains regulatory elements that allow establishment or maintenance of the normal methylation imprints at *GNAS*. Because of the telomeric boundaries of the duplicated region could not be conclusively defined in four cases, it remains uncertain whether the size of the genomic *GNAS* region that is critical for methylation could be smaller (see Fig.1).

We had previously reported 22 sporPHP1B patients, one of whom was later shown to have a duplication of the entire chromosome 20 (24, 19). Fernandez-Rebollo *et al.* identified patUPD20q in four out of twenty sporPHP1B patients (20), while Jin *et al.* observed patUPD20 in one out of seven Korean sporPHP1B cases (21). We now found two additional patUPD20q cases in our cohort of 23 Japanese sporPHP1B patients, suggesting that about 10% of all sporPHP1B cases may be caused by duplication of the paternal long arm of chromosome 20, and that all racial backgrounds are equally affected.

In comparison to the large duplicated regions identified in patUPD20 patients to date, about 20% of all patients affected by BWS revealed small duplicated segments in the 11p15.5 region that can be as small as 2.7 Mb (35, 42). Some of these patUPD11p patients were shown to be mosaic implying that postzygotic recombination events had occurred (35, 43, 44), i.e., a mechanism different from that for non-mosaic UPDs involving large chromosomal regions. It is conceivable that similarly small paternally duplicated regions

comprising the *GNAS* locus can be a cause of some sporPHP1B cases or that mosaicism involving the chromosome 20q13 region could explain this disease variant.

In conclusion, two patients with patUPD20q were identified among 23 Japanese sporPHP1B cases. When combined with data from previous reports, these findings suggest that duplication of the paternal long arm of chromosome 20 may be a more frequent cause of sporPHP1B than initially thought and that patUPD20q should be considered in all sporPHP1B cases with broad *GNAS* methylation changes. Establishing patUPD20q would provide a molecular definition of their disease thus allowing appropriate genetic counseling.

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# **LEGENDS TO FIGURES**

#### **Fig. 1:**

Schematic representation of the region on chromosome 20q extending from the *GNAS* locus to syntaxin 16 (*STX16*). Each horizontal thick line shows the extent of paternal uniparental isodisomy for the patients described in this report and previously described individuals. The region not conclusively defined as UPD is shown by a thin horizontal line. A horizontal broken line shows the position of the paternal heterodisomy of chromosome 20p. The two dotted vertical lines delineate the smallest region in which duplication of the paternal chromosome 20q may lead to sporadic PHP1B. Exons are indicated by boxes, introns by lines; arrows show direction of transcription. P, paternal; M, maternal. Numbers in *italic* were provided by hg19 (GRCh37) assembly. For the patient described in Bastepe et al., 2001, two additional microsatellite markers were analyzed (see Supplemental Table 3?? I could not see this table in the Table/Fig file).

# Fig. 2:

Microsatellite analysis of pedigrees P44 and P18: Affected individuals are represented by filled symbols; the parents are depicted by open symbols (circles=females; squares=male). Results for each microsatellite marker are shown below both pedigrees. **Bold** numbers indicate fully informative markers for the region with paternal UPD. Identical alleles have the same gray background colors.

Fig. 1

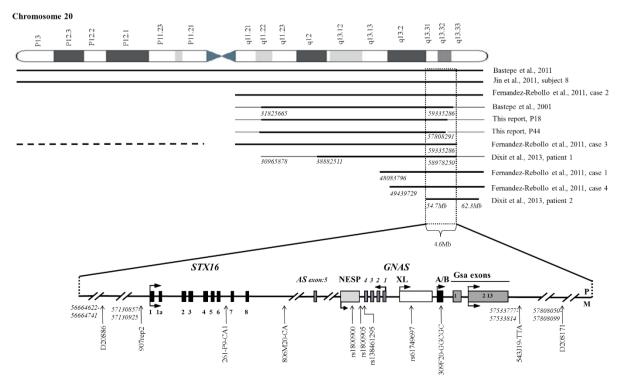


Fig. 2

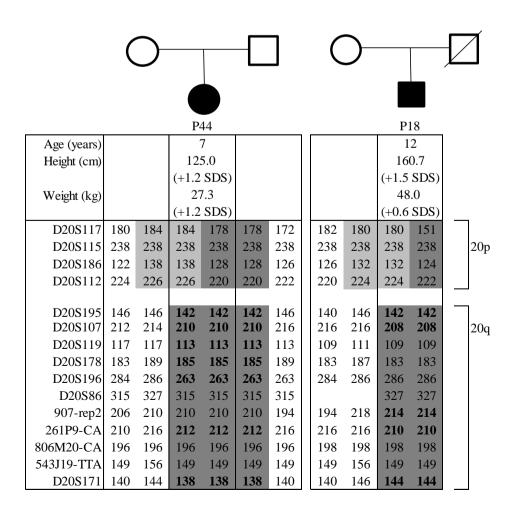


Table 1. Laboratory and epigenetic findings for the investigated PHP1B patients

				Serum	biochemica	l values at di	iagnosis				MS-I	MLPA			
Code	Sex	Age at diagnosis (years)	symptoms	Calcium (mg/dL) (8.5-10.2)	Phosphate (mg/dL) (2.4-4.3)*	intactPTH (pg/mL) (10-65)	ALP (IU/L) (115-359)	1,25(OH)2Γ (pg/mL) (20-60)	TSH (μU/mL) (0.5-5)	AHO features	NESP	AS	XL	A/B	References
P3	Male	14	none	7.8	48	129	493	N/D	1.5	-	+	-	±	-	23
P7	Male	6	loc,convulsion	4.6	10.3	347	N/D	45.6	5.9	RF	+	_	_	_	23
P8	Male	3	convulsion	5.2	6.8	720	681	22	4.8	Ob	+	_	±	_	23
P9	Female	9	loc	6.3	7.0	870**	258	N/D	2.4	Ob	+	_	±	_	23
P13	Female	6	convulsion	6.0	6.6	288	325	24.1	2.8	-	+	-	±	-	23
P18	Male	12	muscle cramp	4.8	9.1	139	479	23.6	1.4	-	+	-	-	-	23
P20	Male	11	convulsion	7.8	9.6	137	833	46.1	N/D	-	+	-	-	-	23
P21	Female	12	convulsion	5.7	9.1	1600**	451	31	2.3	Ob, RF,MR	+	-	-	-	23
P23	Female	8	convulsion	6.7	8.2	134	579	41.3	5.9	Ob, RF	+	-	-	-	23
P24	Female	35	tetany	5.3	5.2	96	237	24.5	5.6	Ob	+	-	$\pm$	-	23
P25	Male	8	convulsion	7.1	8.6	340	784	51.2	10.4	RF	+	-	-	-	23
P27	Female	12	convulsion	5.4	9.5	360	711	59.1	N/D	RF, SM	+	-	-	-	23
P29	Male	15	convulsion	4.8	7.2	190	1084	60.8	2.1	-	+	-	-	-	23
P32	Male	9	none	6.7	7.4	360	N/D	49.2	1.6	-	+	-	-	-	23
P40	Female	9	headache	8.3	5.9	480	727	47.3	3.5	-	+	-	-	-	23
P44	Female	7	convulsion	7.6	9.3	330	779	50.7	5.8	RF	+	-	-	-	
P46	Male	4	convulsion	7.0	7.5	300	1613	N/D	4.4	-	+	-	-	-	
P52	Male	6	convulsion	6.4	8.5	349	726	60.5	3.3	-	+	-	±	-	
P54	Male	13	convulsion	5.7	9.4	146	926	5.9	N/D	-	+	-	-	-	23
P55	Male	4	convulsion	low	high	high	N/D	N/D	7.2***	-	+	-	±	-	
P56	Male	10	N/D	5.2	6.3	354	N/D	N/D	N/D	N/D	+	-	-	-	
P57	Female	5	N/D	7.3	7.6	473	918	44.1	16.5	RF	+	-	-	-	
P58	Male	25	loc, tetany	7.2	5.2	457	263	13.0	1.5	-	+	-	-	-	

<sup>\*</sup>adult normal range; \*\*elevated PTH was documented by a mid-PTH assay (normal range: 90-270 pg/mL), if the intact PTH assay was not available;

Table 2. Age at diagnosis and laboratory findings in our Japanese cohort of sporadic PHP1B patients in comparison to our previously reported data for Caucasian patients.

	Age at d	iagnosis	Calc	Calcium Phosphate			PTH		
	(years)		(mg/dl)		(mg	g/dl)	(pg/ml)		
	sporPHP1B	sporPHP1B	sporPHP1B	sporPHP1B	sporPHP1B	sporPHP1B	sporPHP1B	sporPHP1B	
	Linglart et al.,	this report	Linglart et al.,	this report	Linglart et al.,	this report	Linglart et al.,	this report	
	2007		2007		2007		2007		
Median	10.0	9.0	5.7	6.4	8.0	7.6	402	335	
Mean	10.0	10.6	6.0	6.3	8.2	7.7	634	305	
SD	4.61	6.98	1.17	1.08	1.35	1.56	742.9	154.3	
SEM	0.98	1.45	0.25	0.23	0.29	0.33	158.4	34.5	
N	22	23	22	22	22	22	22	20	

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>data at the age of 14 years during treatment with alfacalcidol; MS-MLPA, Methylation-Specific Multiplex Ligation-dependent Probe Amplification;

N/D, not determined; loc, loss of consciousness; RF, round face; Ob, Obesity; MR, mental retardation; SM, short metacarpals

Table 3. Age at diagnosis, height, and laboratory findings in patients with sporPHP1B due to different forms of patUPD20

				Serum biochemical values at diagnosis			
			Age at	Calcium	Phosphate	intact PTH	TSH
			diagnosis	(mg/dL)	(mg/dL)	(pg/mL)	$(\mu U/mL)$
case	Type of patUPD20q	Sex	(years)	(8.5-10.2)	(2.4-4.3)	(10-65)	(0.5-5)
Bastepe et al.,2011	entire chromosome	Female	3.5	7.2	8.0	3685	N/D
Jin et al., 2011	entire chromosome	Male	8	5.6	8.1	677	7.2
Bastepe et al.,2001	entire q arm	Male	5	7.2	8.1	113	N/D
Fernandez-Rebollo et al., case 2	entire q arm	Male	9	8.8	6.5	940	2.0
this report, P18	entire q arm	Male	12	4.8	9.1	139	1.4
this report, P44	entire q arm	Female	7	7.6	9.3	330	5.8
Fernandez-Rebollo et al., case 3	segmental 20p heterodisomy + 20q interstitial isodisomy	Male	5	4.8	7.4	292	2.8
Fernandez-Rebollo et al., case 1	Segmental 20q13.13-qter	Female	26	5.2	5.9	601	N/D
Fernandez-Rebollo et al., case 4	Segmental 20q13.13-qter	Male	46	6.4	4.6	127	1.2
Dixit et al., patient 1	Segmental 20q12-q13.33	Male	13	5.0	9.5	345	N/D
Dixit et al., patient 2	Segmental 20q13.31-q13.32	Male	5.5*	9.0*	6.1*	422*	35.0

Patients without duplication of the region comprising NNAT are listed in italics.

Supplemental Table 1. Primer sequences for SNPs analysis

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Marker	Forward primer $(5'\rightarrow 3')$	Reverse primer(5'→3')	Reference							
rs1800900	GGCCAGCTTCTCACCTCATA	TCTTAGGCACACCGAGAA								
rs1800905	CCGTCCAGATTCTCCTTGTT	AGCTGAGCCTCCTCTCTCC								
rs138461295	GCTGCAAGCCAAAGAAGC	AACCCTGGTAGCCCGTAG								
rs61749697	TCCCGAGTTATCGCACAAGT	GATCGGCTGGTGCTGTCC								
309F20-GGCGC	GGCCGGTTATAAGCTCTGCT	GTGCACTCACACGCAAGG	45							

<sup>\*</sup>treatment with cholecalciferol commenced

Supplemental Table 2. Analysis of SNPs and microsatellite markers of the investigated PHP1B patients

code	D20S86	907-rep2	261P9-CA	806M20-CA	rs1800900	rs1800905	rs138461295	rs61749697	309F20	543J19-TTA	D20S171
P3					A/G	A/G	T/T	T/T	2/3		
P7	319/319	194/210	216/216	196/196	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	2/3	149/152	144/146
P8	315/319	194/206	216/218	196/196	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/149	140/142
P9	319/323	194/210	208/216	198/198	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/149	140/142
P13	323/327	194/210	206/218	196/198	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/156	144/146
P18	327/327	214/214	210/210	198/198	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/149	144/144
P20	319/327	210/214	212/216	196/198	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/152	146/148
P21					A/G	A/G	C/T	T/T	3/3		
P23					A/G	A/G	T/T	T/T	2/3		
P24	323/323	206/210	214/223	196/198	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	2/3		140/144
P25					A/G	A/G	C/T	T/T	3/3		
P27					A/G	A/G	C/T	T/T	2/3		
P29	311/323	194/214	210/216	196/200	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/149	144/144
P32	319/319	206/210	212/214	196/196	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/156	142/142
P40					A/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	2/3		
P44	315/315	210/210	212/212	196/196	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/149	138/138
P46	315/323	194/214	212/214	196/196	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/149	144/148
P52					A/G	A/G	T/T	T/T	3/3		
P54	315/323	194/214	210/216	196/200	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T	3/3	149/149	140/152
P55	319/323	194/214	210/212	198/200	G/G	G/G	T/T	T/T		149/149	138/146
P56					A/G	A/G	T/T	T/T	3/3		
P57	315/319	194/214	212/214	196/198	G/G	A/G	T/T	T/T	2/2	149/149	140/148
P58	319/323	206/218	212/212	196/198	G/G	A/G	T/T	T/T	2/2	149/149	142/144

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