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Next-Generation Sequencing for Congenital Nephrotic Syndrome: A Multi-Center Cross-Sectional Study from India

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Objective: Information on etiology of congenital nephrotic syndrome in non-Caucasian populations is limited. This study aimed to determine the genetic basis of congenital nephrotic syndrome in Indian patients. Methods: In this observational, cross-sectional study, whole exome sequencing was performed on samples from all children diagnosed with congenital nephrotic syndrome, presenting at centers collaborating in a nationwide registry and biorepository. Analysis was targeted to focus on reported or novel, pathogenic or likely pathogenic variants in 89 genes implicated in etiology of nephrotic syndrome. Sanger sequencing was used to confirm disease-causing variants in patients and allelic segregation of compound heterozygous variants in samples from parents. Inheritance of a shared haplotype was analyzed among ten individuals carrying the most common variant. Results: During 2017-2019, 34 patients with congenital nephrotic syndrome were screened. Consanguinity and similar illness in siblings were reported in eleven patients each. Homozygous or compound heterozygous, pathogenic or likely pathogenic variants were found in NPHS1 in 24 cases, including two novel variants. One patient each had homozygous pathogenic or likely pathogenic known or novel variant in NPHS2, PLCE1, OSGEP and LAMB2 genes. Patients with OSGEP and LAMB2 mutations had phenotype typical of Galloway Mowat and Pierson syndromes, respectively. Three variants in NPHS1 were common to 16 individuals. One reported variant in exon 19 (c.2600G>A; p.Gly867Asp) appears to share a common founder. Conclusion: A genetic cause was determined for 82.4% patients with congenital nephrotic syndrome. Variants in NPHS1 are most common in Indian patients and founder mutations might be present.

Keywords: Nephrin, podocin, Galloway Mowat syndrome, Pierson syndrome, NPHS1

ongenital nephrotic syndrome (NS) is a rare condition, characterized by nephrotic range proteinuria, hypoalbuminemia and edema before 3 months of age. Most patients show morbidities related to edema, infections and/or thrombosis, and progression to end stage renal disease (ESRD) in early childhood [1]. An inherited basis is reported in 60-80% patients; variants in NPHS1, which are most frequent and also cause the Finnish type of congenital NS [2], along with variants in NPHS2, PLCE1, LAMB2 and WT1, result in defects affecting proteins in the podocyte slit diaphragm, actin cytoskeleton or transcription regulation [3-5]. Existing reports on variants in Asian patients are single-center and retrospective, screening for few genes [6-10]. We describe here the results of next-generation sequencing (NGS) in infants with congenital NS, enrolled prospectively from April, 2017 to June, 2019, in a multicenter collaboration on

nephrotic syndrome.

METHODS

Following ethics approval and informed parental consent, clinical details and blood samples were collected from patients with congenital NS, diagnosed at seven tertiary care centres in the country. Diagnosis required the confirmation of nephrotic range proteinuria (spot urine protein to creatinine ratio >2.0 mg/mg or dipstick 3+/4+ on three occasions), hypoalbuminemia (serum albumin <3.0 g/dL) and edema beginning below 3-months of age. Intrauterine infections and structural renal anomalies were excluded by appropriate serology and ultrasonography, respectively. In consonance with current practice worldwide, kidney biopsy was not performed and echocardiography was performed if cardiac examination was abnormal. Management involved the use of furosemide (1-2 mg/kg daily, as

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indicated), enalapril (0.3-0.4 mg/kg/day orally), intravenous infusions of albumin (1-2 g/kg once every 7-14 days), and supplements of thyroxine (5-10 μ g/kg/day) and vitamins, while ensuring adequate nutrition. Parents were counselled regarding outcomes including risk of progression to end stage kidney disease, and families opted for a palliative care plan due to costs of kidney replacement therapy.

The methodology of NGS, performed at Institute of Genomic and Integrative Biology, Delhi, is detailed in Supp. Methods. Whole exome sequencing (WES) was performed using the Illumina HiSeq2000 or NovaSeq platforms, sequenced reads were mapped and aligned to the reference genome (GRCh37; hg19), and called and annotated variants in 89 genes associated with nephrotic syndrome (Supp. Table SI) [3,11-14] were prioritized based on rarity (minor allele frequency, MAF <0.1%), novelty in population databases [15-17], prediction of deleteriousness by in silico tools, and if previously reported with disease [18]. Only pathogenic and likely pathogenic variants, according to criteria of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG) 2015 guidelines [18,19] were considered causative, and were validated by Sanger sequencing. Sanger sequencing on parents' samples was used to confirm allele segregation for compound heterozygous variants. Haplotype studies were performed to determine if the NPHS1 variant c.2600G>A (p.Gly867Asp) that segregated in 10 of 34 patients occurred on a common genetic background, suggesting inheritance from a common ancestor (founder mutation) (Supp. Methods) [20].

Statistical analyses: Data was summarized as median (interquartile range, IQR) for continuous variables and percentage with 95% confidence interval (CI) for dichotomous variables. Assuming 70% prevalence of pathogenic or likely pathogenic variations in genes encoding key podocyte proteins in patients with congenital nephrotic syndrome [1,3,12,13], 21 patients were required to be enrolled for a precision of 20%, at power of 80% and alpha error of 5%.

RESULTS

Samples were collected from 34 unrelated patients (53% boys) with congenital NS diagnosed at 7 centers across India. Onset of edema was at median age of 20 (IQR 15-45) days of life, and was associated with anasarca (91.2%), oliguria (41.2%), poor feeding (35.3%), seizures (32.3%), hypovolemia (23.5%), severe infections (20.6%) and/or lethargy (8.8%). Ten (29.4%) patients were born premature and 13 (38.2%) had low birth weight (**Supp. Table SII**). Consanguinity and similar illness in siblings were reported in 11 (32.4%) cases, each.

Median weight for age standard deviation score (SDS) was -3.1 (IQR -4.1, -1.9), length for age SDS was -3.9 (IQR -4.6, -2.2) and head circumference SDS was -3.2 (IQR -4.5, -2.2). Seven (20.6%) patients had hypertension. Isolated extrarenal features were observed in 9 patients (**Supp. Table SII**), while one patient each had features of Galloway-Mowat and Pierson syndrome. One patient had albinism and microcephaly and history of sibling death with similar symptoms.

The median blood level of albumin was 1.2 (IQR 0.9-1.4) g/dL, cholesterol 274 (234-349) mg/dL, creatinine 0.4 (0.3-0.7) mg/dL, and estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) 60 (28.3-96) mL/minute per 1.73 m² [21]. Seven (20.6%) patients had eGFR <30 mL/minute per 1.73 m² at evaluation. Three (8.8%) patients had enlarged kidneys without hydronephrosis or venous thrombosis. There was no history of significant teratogenic drug intake during pregnancy or evidence of intrauterine infection.

WES with mean coverage of $\geq 30x$ (Web Table SIII) returned 16804 variants, of which 1370 variants were present in one or more of the targeted genes (Fig. 1). After filtering, 91 variants were shortlisted (Supp. Table SIV), of which 22 variants were prioritized in 28 patients (Table I; Supp. Fig. S1). Pathogenic and likely pathogenic variants were inherited as homozygous and compound heterozygous variations in 20 and 8 patients, respectively. A monogenic cause was thus established in 82.4% (95% CI 66.9% to 92.5%) of 34 patients with congenital NS. Most variants were conserved across species (Supp. Fig. S2).

Variants in *NPHS1* were most common, including 16 reported [11,12,14,15,22-35] and two novel variants, segregated in 24 patients as homozygous (*n*=16) and compound heterozygous (*n*=8) variants (**Table I**). Reported variations included 7 pathogenic and 9 likely pathogenic variants. One novel homozygous variant in ID#181 was classified as likely pathogenic, while another novel *NPHS1* variant that segregated as compound heterozygous in ID#8, was assigned as pathogenic. **Fig. 2** indicates the distribution of defects in *NPHS1* across the structure of nephrin.

One previously reported [11,14] likely pathogenic *NPHS1* variant in exon 19 (c.G2600A; p.Gly867Asp) was inherited as homozygous in 7 and heterozygous in 3 patients from different ethnic and regional backgrounds, without any specific phenotype (**Tables I** and **SII**). Two other reported variations, p.Arg1160Ter [11,14,27] and p.Arg367Cys [14,25,27], were common to three patients each (**Table I**). In patients with *NPHS1* variants, atrial septal defect was seen in two patients, and developmental delay, facial dysmorphism, clubbing, café

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MAF-minor allele frequency

Fig. 1 Flowchart for variant filtering after whole exome sequencing.

au lait spots, hirsutism and aqueductal stenosis in one patient each (**Supp. Table SII**).

One patient each had homozygous likely pathogenic variants in *NPHS2* [34] and *OSGEP* [36], associated with an atrial septal defect and Galloway-Mowat syndrome, respectively. One patient each had novel pathogenic homozygous variations in *PLCE1* and *LAMB2* genes; the latter was associated with phenotype consistent with Pierson syndrome.

No variants were prioritized in two patients; four patients had heterozygous variations that were of unknown significance (**Supp. Table SIV**). Patients with causative variations also had additional heterozygous variations (**Supp. Table SIV**).

There were no differences in sex ratio, age at onset of symptoms, levels of serum albumin or estimated GFR between patients with *NPHS1* variations and those with other or no significant variations (*P*>0.05 each).

Forty-four of 900 single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) (**Supp. Table SV**) in the region (\pm 500 kbp) flanking the c.2600G>A (Gly867Asp) were selected for haplotype analysis in 33 patients. All 17 alleles carrying the

c.2600G>A variant (homozygous in 7 and heterozygous in 3 patients) shared a core haplotype in the 500 kbp region between rs2230181 to rs466452 (**Supp. Table SVI**). Thirteen of 17 alleles also shared a core haplotype extending to 800 kbp length. The 500 kbp core haplotype was observed in only one of 49 non-mutant chromosomes, suggesting a founder effect.

DISCUSSION

There is significant heterogeneity in prevalence of inherited defects across studies (**Supp. Table SVII**) [6-10,12,22-26,34]. Variants in *NPHS1* predominate even in non-Finnish cohorts, and contributions by *NPHS2*, *WT1* and *LAMB2* defects differ widely across populations. In the present study, the use of NGS enabled a diagnosis in 82% of 34 patients. These findings are unlike previous studies from non-Caucasian populations that report lower rates of inherited defects, perhaps due to focused testing including a few genes (**Supp. Table SVII**).

Two founder deletion mutations in *NPHS1*, accounting for the majority of cases of Finnish type of congenital nephrotic syndrome, were not observed in our patients, similar to reports from non-Finnish populations [2,3,6-10]. Over 200 *NPHS1* mutations are described worldwide in non-Finnish populations [29,32]. In our report, homozygous and compound heterozygous mutations in *NPHS1* accounted for 70.6% of cases of congenital NS, and 85.7% of cases with an identified genetic etiology. This proportion is higher than previous reports from Asia, in which *NPHS1* mutations accounted for 22-67% of cases, but similar to proportions reported in series including non-Finnish populations (**Supp. Table SVII**).

As shown in Fig. 2, variants in NPHS1 were distributed all over the protein. Three patients shared the variant p.Arg1160Ter, responsible for premature truncation of protein in the intracellular domain that interacts with podocin. This variant, a founder mutation in Maltese patients, is associated with a different allele in Asian patients [25]. While Koziell, et al. reported a mild phenotype in affected girl infants [25], we and other authors [24,35] found a severe phenotype, irrespective of gender, indistinguishable from other NPHS1 mutations. Three patients carried a variant (c.1099C>T; p.Arg367Cys), reported previously as a founder mutation from India [12]. One NPHS1 variant, c.2600G>A (p.Gly867Asp), that translates into a change in the immunoglobulin-like domain 8, found in 10 unrelated patients from five states in north India (Supp. Table SII, Table I and Fig. 1), has been reported from India, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia [8,11,14,37], but not from east Asia [6,7,9] or Europe. Using statistical tools considered more efficient that conventional haplotyping [20], we show

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Gene (chromosome);	Exon	Variant	t change	$ACMG^{\#}$	Patient ID ^c	Reference
Chromosomal coordinate; change	в	cDNA change	Protein change	category ^b		
NPHSI (19)						
36341349 T>C	5	c.527-2A>G		Pathogenic ^{b5}	165	33
36341342 G>A	5	c.532C>T	p.Gln178Ter	Pathogenic	8	26, 29, 34
36340176 G>A	7	c.802C>T	p.Arg268Ter	Pathogenic	80	26, 30
36337056 G>T	12	c.1481C>A	p.Ser494Ter	Pathogenic	180	29,31
36335078_36335079delGT	16	c.2138_2139deIAC	p.Asp713Glyfs*12	Pathogenic ^{b6}	8	Novel
36330221 G>C	22	c.3027C>G	p.Tyr1009Ter	Pathogenic	168	23, 34
36321958 G>A	27	c.3478C>T	p.Arg1160Ter	Pathogenic	150, 169, 173 11,	14, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 32, 35
36317522 TC>T	29	c.3619delG	p.Glu1207Lysfs*30	Pathogenic ^{b6}	4	ClinVar
36341889 G>A	4	c.500C>T	p.Pro167Leu	Likely pathogenic	267	11,22
36340541-36340548 delCCGGGGTGinsAA	9	c.614_621delinsTT	p.Thr205_Arg207delinsIle	Likely pathogenic ^{b4}	180,228	22, 26,35
36339610 G>A	6	c.1099C>T	p.Arg367Cys	Likely pathogenic	59 , 165, 267	14,22,25,26,29,30,33,35
36339251 G>A	10	c.1219C>T	p.Arg407Trp	Likely pathogenic ^{b2}	85	22
36336350 T>C	14	c.1850A>G	p.His617Arg	Likely pathogenic ^{b1}	80	26,27,29,30
36335272 G>A	15	c.2020C>T	p.Pro674Ser	Likely pathogenic ^{b1}	163	24
36333370 G>T	18	c.2417C>A	p.Ala806Asp	Likely pathogenic ^{b2}	157	14, 26, 27,29
36333089 C>T	19	c.2600G>A	p.Gly867Asp	Likely pathogenic ^{b1}	4, 40, 47, 146, 162, 173 196, 201 , 228, 235	3, 11,14,34
36332715A>G	20	c.2717T>C	p.Ile906Thr	Likely pathogenic ^{b1}	181	Novel
36322049 C>T	27	c.3388-1G>A		Likely pathogenic	18	26, 27
<i>NPHS2</i> (1)						
179530456 C>T	б	c.419G>A	p.Gly140Glu	Likely pathogenic ^{b1}	28	34
PLCE1 (10)						
96058156 GC>AT	23	c.4264C>T	p.Gln1422Ter	Pathogenic	46	Novel
OSGEP(14)						
20920566 T>A	6	c.157A>T	p.Ile53Phe	Likely pathogenic ^{b7}	154	36
LAMB2 (3)						
49168499 G>A	8	c.799C>T	p.Arg267Ter	Pathogenic	XI	Novel

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Fig. 2 Localization of novel variations and known mutations in the translated nephrin protein, comprised of eight extracellular immunoglobulin (Ig) -like domains (semi-circles), a fibronectin type III-like module (hexagon), a transmembrane domain (black rectangle) and a C-terminal (C) cytoplasmic domain (curled line). The bottom panel indicates the exons coding for the corresponding protein domains. Note that the 18 variations observed were spread throughout the protein. The variations with dotted lines are known or speculated to be founder mutations.

that c.2600G>A is possibly a founder mutation, as suggested by the lack of genetic variation in the 500-800 kbp length flanking regions [38]. The differences in frequency of the shared haplotype in various ethnicities in the 1000 genome database suggests a European origin for the mutation (**Supp. Table SVIII**) [15]. Our hypothesis requires confirmation by examining for the same shared haplotype in previously reported patients with the p.Gly867Asp mutation.

Mutations in *NPHS2* and *WT1* account for 0-51% and 0-40% cases, respectively, across populations, though *NPHS2* variants are uncommon in Asia (**Supp. Table SVII**). In this cross-sectional study, only one patient had homozygous mutations in *NPHS2*, and none had variants in *WT1*. Given the small study size, these findings have limited generalisability.

Confirming previous findings, we failed to find specific phenotypic associations in patients with *NPHS1*, *NPHS2* and *PLCE1* mutations [4,26,39]. The lone patient with homozygous *LAMB2* variant had findings of Pierson syndrome while another had Galloway-Mowat syndrome secondary to *OSGEP* mutation [36]. The latter patient had the same mutation and phenotype as an infant of Pakistani ethnicity described previously [36].

The present series underscores the utility of providing a genetic etiology in patients with congenital NS, thereby facilitating prenatal counseling and testing in subsequent pregnancies. One *NPHS1* mutation is hypothesized to have a founder effect in Indian population. Information on long term outcomes, including post-transplantation, is lacking since most children were lost to follow up after families chose a palliative care plan. Despite being a multicenter study, the findings of the relatively small sample size might not be generalizable.

Note: Supplementary material related to this study is available with the online version at *www.indianpediatrics.net*

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WHAT IS ALREADY KNOWN?

- · Genetic defects account for 60-80% of cases with congenital nephrotic syndrome
- Mutations in NPHS1 are most common in Caucasians; WT1 and LAMB2 variants are probably more common in Asian patients

WHAT THIS STUDY ADDS?

- Genetic defects are present in more than 80% patients with congenital nephrotic syndrome in India
- Mutations in NPHS1 account for more than 80% of patients with an inherited basis
- Common variants in NPHS1 are those that are known (c.1099C>T; p.Arg367Cys) or speculated (c.2600G>A; p.Gly867Asp) to be founder mutations.

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SUPPLEMENTARY METHODS

DNA extraction: DNA was extracted from EDTA blood using QIAamp® DNA Blood Mini Kit (Qiagen, Germantown, MD), as per manufacturer instructions. The quality and the quantity of DNA extracted was assessed using NanoDrop[™] spectrophotometer (Thermo Scientific, Wilmington, DE) and 1% gel electrophoresis before next generation sequencing.

Whole exome sequencing (WES): DNA libraries were prepared using 100 ng of DNA, physically sheared on an ultrasonicator (Covaris), followed by ligation of adapter sequences on to fragmented DNA to generate indexed libraries, and exome enrichment using TruSeq Exome kit (Illumina, San Diego, CA), as per manufacturer protocol. Enriched libraries were quantified by Qubit fluorometer (ThermoFisher) and their size distribution measured using Bioanalyzer (Agilent). Three of 34 samples underwent cluster generation using Illumina Cbot followed by paired end sequencing (2x100 bp) using flowcell v3 on Illumina HiSeq2000 platform. The remainder were sequenced (2x150 bp) on Illumina NovaSeq platform using S2/S4 flowcell.

Processing of sequenced reads: Paired-end sequenced reads were processed using the Dynamic Read Analysis for GENomics Bio-IT (DRAGEN, Illumina) platform. The reads were demultiplexed and then mapped and aligned to the reference genome (GRCh37; hg19) using the seed generation algorithm followed by Smith-Waterman algorithm. This was followed by variant calling using Haplotype Caller (Dragen), merging of individual variant call files (VCF) using VCFtools (*vcftools.sourceforge.net*) and annotation of merged VCFs using ANNOVAR (*annovar.openbioinformatics.org*).

Variant prioritization: Based on literature search, 89 genes were considered relevant for genetic testing in nephrotic syndrome [i,ii,iii,iv,v]. The list of genes, along with the mean coverage of exonic regions, is provided in **Suppl. Table S1**. Variants in these genes were considered potentially disease causing if they fulfilled one of the following criteria: *(i) rare and deleterious,* with rarity defined as minor allele frequency (MAF) of less than 0.1% in the population databases of 1000 Genomes Project [vi], Exome Aggregator Consortium (Exac) [vii] and Genome Aggregation Database (gnomAD) [viii]; and deleteriousness predicted by assertion of pathogenicity on at least two computational tools, including Polymorphism Phenotyping v2 (PolyPhen2; *http://genetics.bwh.harvard.edu/pph2/*), Sorting Intolerant from Tolerant (SIFT; *https://sift.bii.a-star.edu.sg/*), Mutation taster v2 (*http://www.mutationtaster.org/ChrPos.html*), Combined Annotation Dependent Depletion (CADD; *https://cadd.gs.washington.edu/*) and Genomic Evolutionary Rate Profiling score

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(GERP_RS;http://varianttools.sourceforge.net/Annotation/dbNSFP), Eigen (https://omictools. com/eigen-tool), and where relevant, Human Splicing Finder v3.1 (http://umd.be/HSF3/); (ii) novel and deleterious, with novelty defined by absence in the two population databases as well of Single Database Nucleotide Polymorphism (DbsNP; https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/snp/) as in the and ClinVar (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/clinvar/); or (iii) reported, in causative association with disease (congenital or steroid resistant nephrotic syndrome) in ClinVar (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/clinvar) or Human Genome Mutation Database (HGMD; http://www.hgmd.cf.ac.uk), particularly if reported as 'pathogenic' or 'likely pathogenic' in ClinVar.

Variants shortlisted based on above criteria were excluded if any of the following conditions were fulfilled: (i) high ($\geq 0.1\%$) MAF in south Asian population of ExAC; (ii) failing to have causative phenotype, such as a variant called in heterozygous state in a gene following autosomal recessive pattern of inheritance [ix]; or (iii) low depth: variant with read depth of <10x. Prioritised variants were classified from benign to pathogenic using the web-based clinical INTERpretation of VARiants (wINTERVAR; http://wintervar.wglab.org/), with or without modifications to follow the criteria outlined by the 2015 guidelines of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG) [x].

Variant validation: Variants considered causative of disease were validated by Sanger sequencing using the ABI3730 genetic analyzer (Applied Biosystems). Sanger sequencing on parents' samples was used to confirm allele segregation for compound heterozygous variations.

Haplotype analysis of p.Gly867Asp mutant allele: The NGS data was used to obtain all single nucleotide polymorphisms flanking the mutation (\pm 500 kbp). Variants with MAF \ge 0.05% and significant difference in frequency (P<0.05) in patients with and without the mutation (p.Gly867Asp) were selected for haplotype analysis by Phase v2.1 (*http://stephenslab.uchicago.edu/phase/download.html*) to obtain haplotypes segregating with Gly867 and Asp867 associated alleles.

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Gene	Disease	Inheritance	Transcript	Mean Coverage
ACTN4	Glomerulosclerosis, focal segmental, 1	AD	NM_004924.5	109.40
ALG1	Congenital disorder of glycosylation, type Ik	AR	NM_019109.4	126.06
ALMS1	Alstrom syndrome	AR	NM_015120.4	104.55
ANKS6	Nephronophthisis 16	AR	NM_173551.4	46.96
ANLN	Focal segmental glomerulosclerosis 8	AD	NM_001284301.2	61.67
APOL1	End-stage renal disease, nondiabetic, susceptibility to Glomerulosclerosis, focal segmental, 4, susceptibility to	-	NM_145343.2	51.61
ARHGAP24	-	-	NM_001025616.2	111.73
ARHGDIA	Nephrotic syndrome, type 8	AR	NM_001301242.1	44.86
AVIL	-	-	NM_006576.3	65.40
CD151	Nephropathy with pretibial epidermolysis bullosa and deafness	-	NM_001039490.1	49.87
CD2AP	Glomerulosclerosis, focal segmental, 3	-	NM_012120.2	124.88
CFH	Complement factor H deficiency (hemolytic uremic syndrome, atypical, susceptibility to, 1)	AR AD	NM_000186.3	134.46
CLCN5	Nephrolithiasis, type I: Proteinuria, low molecular weight, with hypercalciuric nephrocalcinosis	XLR XLR	NM_001127898.3	77.52
COL4A1	Angiopathy, hereditary, with nephropathy, aneurysms, and muscle cramps	AD	NM_001845.5	126.02
COL4A3	Alport syndrome 2, autosomal recessive; Alport syndrome 3, autosomal dominant; hematuria, benign familial	AR AD AD	NM_000091.4	131.02
COL4A4	Alport syndrome 2, autosomal recessive hematuria, familial benign	AR AD	NM_000092.4	118.25
COL4A5	Alport syndrome 1, X-linked	XLD	NM_000495.4	90.51
COQ2	Coenzyme Q10 deficiency, primary, 1	AR	NM_015697.7	81.81
COQ6	Coenzyme Q10 deficiency, primary, 6	AR	NM_182476.2	149.02
COQ7	Coenzyme Q10 deficiency, primary, 8	AR	NM_016138.4	53.76
COQ8B	Nephrotic syndrome, type 9	AR	NM_001142555.2	52.54
COQ9	Coenzyme Q10 deficiency, primary, 5	AR	NM_020312.3	130.77
CRB2	Focal segmental glomerulosclerosis 9; ventriculomegaly with cystic kidney disease	AR AR	NM_173689.6	41.61
CUBN	Finnish type	AR	NM_001081.3	136.24
CYP11B2	Hypoaldosteronism, congenital, due to CMO I deficiency; hypoaldosteronism, congenital, due to CMO II deficiency	AR AR	NM_000498.3	121.62
DGKE	{Hemolytic uremic syndrome, atypical, susceptibility to, 7} Nephrotic syndrome, type 7	AR AR	NM_003647.2	58.76

Supplementary Table SI Panel of 89 genes examined for association with congenital nephrotic syndrome along with coverage

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E2F3	-	-	NM_001949.4	61.62
EMP2	Nephrotic syndrome, type 10	AR	NM_001424.5	45.32
EXT1	Chondrosarcoma Exostoses, multiple, type 1	AR AD	NM_000127.2	114.96
FAT1	-	-	NM_005245.3	75.17
FN1	Glomerulopathy with fibronectin deposits 2	AD	NM_001306129.1	127.17
G6PC	Glycogen storage disease	AR	NM_000151.3	126.16
GATA3	Hypoparathyroidism, sensorineural deafness, and renal dysplasia	AD	NM_001002295.1	94.05
GFND1	Glomerulopathy with fibronectin deposits 1	AD	MIM:137950	-
GLA	Fabry disease Fabry disease, cardiac variant	X-linked	NM_000169.2	92.44
IGAN1	{IgA nephropathy, susceptibility to, 1}	?AD	MIM:161950	-
IGAN2	{IgA nephropathy, susceptibility to, 2}	?AD	MIM:613944	-
INF2	Glomerulosclerosis, focal segmental, 5	AD	NM_001031714.3	63.42
ITGA3	Interstitial lung disease, nephrotic syndrome, and epidermolysis bullosa, congenital	AR	NM_002204.3	52.16
ITGB4	Epidermolysis bullosa of hands and feet Epidermolysis bullosa, junctional, non-Herlitz type Epidermolysis bullosa, junctional, with pyloric atresia	AD AR AR	NM_001256876.1	101.91
KANK1	Cerebral palsy, spastic quadriplegic, 2	-	NM_001136191.2	70.34
KANK2	Nephrotic syndrome, type 16	AR	NM_001320269.1	45.10
KANK4	-	-	NM_006014.4	72.41
LAGE3	Galloway-Mowat syndrome 2, X-linked	XLR	NM_002292.3	24.05
LAMB2	-	-	NM_170708.3	126.50
LMNA	Cardiomyopathy, dilated, 1A Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease, type 2B1 Emery-Dreifuss muscular dystrophy 2, autosomal dominant Emery-Dreifuss muscular dystrophy 3, autosomal recessive Heart-hand syndrome, Slovenian type Hutchinson-Gilford progeria Lipodystrophy, familial partial, type 2 Malouf syndrome Mandibuloacral dysplasia Muscular dystrophy, congenital Restrictive dermopathy, lethal	AD AR AD A R AD AR,AD AD AD AR AD A R	NM_001282626.1	108.23
LMX1B	Nail-patella syndrome	AD	NM_001174146.1	56.96
LRP2	Donnai-Barrow syndrome	AR	NM_004525.2	130.34
MAFB	Multicentric carpotarsal osteolysis syndrome	AD	NM_005461.4	49.48
MAGI2	Nephrotic syndrome, type 15	AR	NM_001301128.1	66.23
MED28	-	-	NM_025205.4	79.14
MEFV	Familial Mediterranean fever Familial Mediterranean fever	AD AR	NM_000243.2	93.60
MT-TL1	-	-		-
MUC1	Medullary cystic kidney disease 1	AD	NM_002456.5	62.84

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МҮН9	Deafness, autosomal dominant 17 Macrothrombocytopenia and granulocyte inclusions with or without nephritis or sensorineural hearing loss	AD AD	NM_002473.5	112.51
MYO1E	Glomerulosclerosis, focal segmental, 6	AR	NM_004998.3	125.65
NEIL1	-	-	NM_001256552.1	62.27
NEU1	Sialidosis, type I Sialidosis, type II	AR AR	NM_000434.3	119.58
NPHP4	Nephronophthisis 4 Senior-Loken syndrome 4	AR AR	NM_015102.4	52.17
NPHS1	Nephrotic syndrome, type 1	AR	NM_004646.3	112.08
NPHS2	Nephrotic syndrome, type 2	AR	NM_001297575.1	86.29
NUP107	Galloway-Mowat syndrome 7; nephrotic syndrome, type 11; ?ovarian dysgenesis 6	AR	NM_020401.3	60.98
NUP205	?Nephrotic syndrome, type 13	-	NM_015135.2	71.10
NUP93	Nephrotic syndrome, type 12	AR	NM_014669.4	56.54
NXF5	-	-	NM_032946.2	83.26
OCRL	Dent disease 2 Lowe syndrome	XLR; XLR	NM_001587.3	94.16
OSGEP	Galloway-Mowat syndrome 3	AR	NM_017807.3	62.15
PAX2	Glomerulosclerosis, focal segmental, 7; papillorenal syndrome	AD; AD	NM_001304569.1	106.34
PDSS2	Coenzyme Q10 deficiency, primary, 3	AR	NM_020381.3	119.97
PLCE1	Nephrotic syndrome, type 3	AR	NM_016341.3	124.63
PMM2	Congenital disorder of glycosylation, type la	AR	NM_000303.2	133.97
PODXL	-	-	NM_001018111.2	61.63
PTPRO	Nephrotic syndrome, type 6	AR	NM_030668.2	137.09
SCARB2	Epilepsy, progressive myoclonic 4, with or without renal failure	AR	NM_001204255.1	123.97
SGPL1	Nephrotic syndrome, type 14	AR	NM_003901.3	66.27
SMARCAL1	Schimkeimmunoosseous dysplasia	AR	NM_001127207.1	122.11
SPRY2	IgA nephropathy, susceptibility to, 3	AD	NM_001318536.1	99.38
SYNPO	-	-	NM_001166208.1	87.84
TP53RK	Galloway-Mowat syndrome 4	AR	NM_033550.3	62.52
TPRKB	Galloway-Mowat syndrome 5	AR	NM_001330386.1	64.71
TRPC6	Glomerulosclerosis, focal segmental, 2	AD	NM_004621.5	96.58
TTC21B	Nephronophthisis 12	AR,AD	NM_024753.4	142.42
TUBAL3	-	-	NM_001171864.1	61.15
VIPAS39	Arthrogryposis, renal dysfunction, and cholestasis 2	AR	NM_001193314.1	125.19

VPS33B	Arthrogryposis, renal dysfunction, and cholestasis 1	AR	NM_001289148.1	137.52
WDR73	Galloway-Mowat syndrome 1	AR	NM_032856.3	73.33
WT1	Denys-Drash syndrome, Frasier syndrome, nephrotic syndrome, type 4	AD,somaticm utation	NM_000378.4	103.30
XPO5	-	-	NM_020750.2	57.90
ZMPSTE24	Mandibuloacral dysplasia with type B lipodystrophy; restrictive dermopathy; lethal	AR	NM_005857.4	118.18

Supplementary Table SII Clinical and demographic characteristics of included patients

ID	Sex	Religion	State of origin	Age at onset, days	Consang uinity	Family history	Extra-renal features	Low birth weight	Prem aturity	Seizu res	Weight SDS	Length SDS	eGFR, ml/min per 1.73 m ²	Serum albumin, g/dl	Total cholesterol, mg/dl
4 ^{^1}	Boy	Hindu	Haryana	5	0	0	Developmental delay	0	1	0	-1.05	-3.68	86.67	2.2	492
8	Воу	Hindu	Uttar Pradesh	30	0	0	0	1	1	1	-1.56	-4.46	60.00	1.5	171
18	Воу	Muslim	Uttar Pradesh	15	1	0	Clubbing	1	1	1	0.2	NA	60.00	0.6	201
28	Воу	Hindu	Punjab	20	0	0	Atrial septal defect	0	0	0	NA	NA	65.00	3.1	NA
30	Girl	Hindu	Delhi	NA	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
40 ^{^1}	Boy	Hindu	Delhi	5	0	1	0	1	0	1	NA	NA	22.60	1	NA
46	Boy	Hindu	NK		0	0	0	0	0	0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
47 ^{^1}	Воу	Hindu	Rajasth an	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	-2.48	-4.63	24.00	2.3	283
51	Boy	Hindu	Delhi	90	0	1	Oculocutaneous albinism, developmental delay, microcephaly, hepatomegaly	0	0	1	NA	NA	4.24	2.1	NA
52	Girl	Hindu	Delhi	NA	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
59 ^{^3}	Girl	Hindu	Nepal	45	0	1	Atrial septal defect	1	1	0	-1.88	-4.06	21.85	1.1	391
80	Воу	Hindu	Telanga na	30	0	0	0	1	1	0	-3.94	NA	NA	1.2	188
85	Girl	Hindu	Madhya Pradesh	15	0	1	0	0	0	0	-3.29	-11.73	49.00	1.3	349
146 [^]	Girl	Hindu	Delhi	4	0	0	0	1	1	1	-4.02	-3.54	46.40	1.2	233
150 [^]	Boy	Hindu	Punjab	60	0	0	0	1	1	1	-3.14	-2.16	36.00	1.1	247
154	Girl	Muslim	Uttar Pradesh	4	1	1	Hiatus hernia, microcephaly, developmental delay, hypotonia	1	0	0	-2.2	-1.3	64.00	0.9	406
157	Boy	Hindu	Uttar Pradesh	15	0	1	Aqueductal stenosis,	0	0	1	-4.61	-5.12	58.00	1.3	295

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							obstructive hydrocephalus								
162 [^]	Воу	Muslim	Delhi	30	1	0	0	1	1	0	0.6	NA	96.00	1.3	428
163	Girl	3	Punjab	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4.55	-3.92	77.33	1.4	234
165 [^] 3	Girl	Hindu	Bihar	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4.22	-2.85	32.00	0.9	276
168	Girl	Muslim	Uttar Pradesh	20	1	1	Café au lait spot; hirsutism	1	0	0	-2.73	-1.71	104.00	1.7	243
169 [^]	Girl	Muslim	Uttar Pradesh	26	1	0	0	1	0	0	-3.61	-4.07	94.00	0.6	402
173 [^] 1,2	Girl	Hindu	Uttar Pradesh	60	0	0	0	1	1	1	-4.14	-5.17	17.00	0.7	172
180	Girl	Hindu	Uttar Pradesh	85	0	0	0	0	1	0	-4.32	-6.39	200.00	0.8	250
181	Воу	Muslim	Uttar Pradesh	12	0	0	Dysmorphic facies	0	1	0	0.8	NA	36.00	1.2	342
196 [^]	Воу	Muslim	Uttar Pradesh	15	1	0	0	1	0	1	-4.14	-4.52	28.29	0.9	474
201 [^]	Girl	Muslim	Delhi	20	1	1	0	0	0	0	-2.23	-3.37	196.00	0.56	237
217	Воу	Muslim	Rajasth an	2	1	1	0	NA	NA		-2.69	-0.23	23.66	1.44	309
228 [^]	Boy	Hindu	Uttar Pradesh	15	0	0	0	NA	NA	1	-4.91	-0.5	201.00	1.1	239
235 [^]	Girl	Muslim	Uttar Pradesh	45	0	0	0	1	0	0	-5.83	-5.17	123.90	1.4	200
240	Boy	Hindu	Puduch erry	70	1	1	Dysplastic ears	NA	NA	0	-0.12	-0.59	134.23	0.9	271
266	Boy	Muslim	Delhi	15	1	0	0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.23	296
267 [^]	Girl	Hindu	Bihar	15	0	1	Atrial septal defect	0	0	0	NA	NA	NA	1.2	NA
X1	Girl	Muslim	Punjab	15	1	0	Microcoria,micro cornea	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

eGFR estimated glomerular filtration rate; NA not available ^Indicates patients that shared the following variations: ¹c.2600G>A; ²c.3478C>T and ³c.C1099C>T

Supplementary Table SIII Quality metrics based on raw (FASTQ) and mapped (BAM) reads

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Sam	Total	Percentage of total	Mean
ple	mapped	mapped reads over	region
ID	reads	reference genome	coverage
			depth
4	36903956	73.80%	48.2
8	36883757	74.50%	48.9
18	39101579	76.00%	52.8
28	39925438	97.86%	57.45
30	33396553	97.6%	43.96
40	36402136	97.77%	49.82
46	46559034	97.63%	57.5
47	48347870	97.67%	51.46
51	41882937	98.14%	58.09
52	54820473	97.81%	59.33
59	43196032	97.71%	58.23
80	46494263	97.72%	57
85	41809738	97.7%	42.99
146	35916462	97.55%	42.14
150	48251461	97.55%	49.67
154	37484353	98.19%	50.85
157	47974741	97.63%	51.34
162	50014242	97.72%	54.71
163	33651571	97.79%	44.01
165	48225036	97.75%	61.04
168	47661449	98.01%	51.14
169	35009940	97.71%	41.01
173	33637511	97.71%	34.08
180	28249162	97.89%	37.79
181	32296239	97.56%	34.09
196	30935558	97.36%	35.64
201	33626554	98.26%	59.42
217	74654485	98.17%	115.89
228	55633896	98.08%	90.73
235	66570469	98.09%	97.98
240	35311365	97.81%	53.55
266	40554026	97.94%	66.39
267	48404929	98.04%	82.57
X1	53300045	99.17%	90.9

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Supplementary Table SIV Lists of prioritized variants for individual patients. Variants in bold were considered relevant

Pati	Gene	Chromosome:	Exon	Consequence	Zygosity	Change	Frequency in 1KG; Exac;	Polyph	CADD-	Eigen	GERP++
ent		Position		(Base-pair and		-	Exac SAS; gnomAD	en	Phred	raw	RS
ID				amino acid)			<u> </u>				-
4	NPHS1	19:36317523	29	c.3619delG:p.E120	Heterozygous	fs*del	.; .; .; 4.0x10 ⁻⁶	•	•		•
				7Kfs*29							
	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A:p.G867D	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.00002173; 0.0001; 0.00001634	D	28.7	0.74	3.88
	ITGB4	17:73753376	39	c.G5314A:p.E1772K	Heterozygous	NS	0.0002; 0.000059; 0; 0.000072	В	23	-0.305	3.03
8	NPHS1	19: 36335078_3633 5079delGT	16	c.2138_2139deIAC: p.D713Gfs*12	Heterozygous	fs*del	.; .; .; .	•			•
	NPHS1	19:36341342	5	c.C532T: p.Q178X	Heterozygous	Tr*	.; .; .; 0.00001193	•	35	0.545	3.26
	COQ8B	19:41198902	14	c.T1250C: p.L417P	Heterozygous	NS	· · · · ·, ·, ·, ·, ·	D	25.6	0.831	5.37
18	NPHS1	19:36322049	27	c.3388-1G>A	Homozygous	Sp	.; 0.000083; 0; 3.98x10 ⁻⁶		22.2	0.771	4.1
	NPHS1	19:36333098	19	c.G2591A: p R864H	Homozygous	NS	0.0002; 0.0001; 7.2x10 ⁻⁵ ; 0.0001	D	34	0.501	4.93
	FN1	2:216242961	35	c.G5647C:	Heterozygous	NS	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	В	22.9	-0.123	4.6
28	NPHS2	1:179530456	3	c.G419A:	Homozygous	NS	.; 8.24 x10⁻⁶; 6.1 x10⁻⁵; .	D	32	0.983	5.82
				p.G140E							
	MUC1	1:155162020	2	c.C113G: n S38W	Heterozygous	NS	0.0004; 0.0002; 0.0013;	D	22	-0.814	-3.48
30	No variar	nts prioritized		p.00011			0.0002				
40	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A:	Homozvaous	NS	.: 0.000022: 0.0001:	D	28.7	0.74	3.88
-				p.G867D	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		0.000016				
	ALMS1	2:73799812	16	c.A10805G:	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.0001; 0.001; 0.0001	D	24.5	0.46	4.44
				p.N3602S							
	ARHGD	17:79826497	7	c.G758A:	Heterozygous	NS	.; .; .; 7.50 x10 ⁻⁶				
	IA			p.R253H							
46	PLCE1	10:96058156	24	c.C5188T:	Homozygous	Tr*	.; .; .; .	•	41	0.964	5.6
				p.Q1730X							
	ALMS1	2:73653592	6	c.G1249T: p.G417W	Heterozygous	NS	., ., ., .	D	26	0.325	3.8
1				p.0+1/W							

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	INF2	14:105181131	21	c.G3632T: p.R1211L	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.0002; 0.0011; 0.000098	Р	22.8	-0.822	-2.53
47	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A: p.G867D	Homozygous	NS	.; 0.000022; 0.0001; 0.00001634	D	28.7	0.74	3.88
	COL4A 3	2:228173699	49	c.G4547A: p.R1516Q	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.000075; 0.0003; 0.000072	D	28.4	1.083	5.97
	CRB2	9:126128285	3	c.508_509del: p.C170fs	Heterozygous	fs*del	• • • • • • • • • • • •		•		•
51	COL4A 4	2:227924195	28	c.C2309T: p.P770L	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.0000663; 0; 0.00003606	D	25.1	0.717	5.99
	NUP93	16:56864492	10	c.G980A: p.R327H	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.0000165; 0.0001; 0.00002388	D	34	0.949	5.11
52	ARHGA P24	4:86921681	10	c.G2053A: p.D685N	Heterozygous	NS	0.0008; 0.0009; 0.0064; 0.0009	Ρ	29.3	0.295	5.56
	SCARB 2	4:77116941	2	c.A194G: p.Y65C	Heterozygous	NS	0.0006; 0.0003; 0.0021; 0.0003	D	25.3	0.53	4.35
59	NPHS1	19:36339610	9	c.C1099T: p.R367C	Homozygous	NS	.; 0.00003308; 0.0001; 0.00003978	D	28.7	0.528	4.37
	ARHGA P24	4:86921681	10	c.G2053A: p.D685N	Heterozygous	NS	0.0008; 0.0009; 0.0064; 0.0009	Ρ	29.3	0.295	5.56
80	NPHS1	19:36336350	14	c.A1850G: p.H617R	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.0000084; 0; 7.98x10⁵	D	22.8	0.43	4.56
	NPHS1	19:36340176	7	c.C802T: p.R268X	Heterozygous	Tr*	.; 0.000034; 6.1x10⁻⁵; 0.00002407	•	35	0.166	2.65
	COQ2	4:84188827	6	c.G1013A: p.G338E	Heterozygous	NS	.; .; .; 0.00001133	Ρ	23.6	0.125	4.77
	CUBN	10:16918949	57	c.A9053C: p.Y3018S	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.0001; 6.1 x10⁻⁵; 0.0001	D	23.2	0.24	3.39
	TTC21 B	2:166805994	3	c.C172T: p.R58X	Heterozygous	Tr*	.; 0.000058; 0.0002; 0.000040	•	36	0.751	4.52
85	NPHS1	19:36339251	10	c.C1219T: p.R407W	Homozygous	NS	.; 8.2x10 ⁻⁶ ; 0; 0.000020	D	27	0.207	3.29
	ANKS6	9:101558508	1	c.G266A: p.G89D	Homozygous	NS	.; .; .; 0	В	27.5	0.069	3.36
	KANK2	19:11304445	4	c.G311C: p.G104A	Heterozygous	NS	0.0004; 0.0005; 0.0037; 0.0004	D	13.59	-0.083	4.38
146	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A: p.G867D	Homozygous	NS	.; 0.000022; 0.0001; 0.000016	D	28.7	0.74	3.88
	KANK1	9:710861	7	c.T95C: p.F32S	Heterozygous	NS	0.0006; 0.0004; 0.0023; 0.0003	Ρ	12.73	0.092	3.58

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150	NPHS1	19:36321958	27	с.С3478Т: p.R1160Х	Homozygous	Tr*	.; 0.000066; 0.0002; 0.00009943	•	37	0.251	3.74
154	OSGEP	14:20920566	2	c.A157T: p.I53F	Homozygous	NS	.; 2.47x10⁻⁵; 0.000182; 1.22x10⁻⁵	В	15.82	-0.4	0.619
	ANLN	7:36459872	11	c.G1964A: p.R655Q	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.000016; 0.0001; 7.96 x10 ⁻⁶	Ρ	29.3	0.455	4.95
	MAGI2	7:77649189	22	c.G3811A: p.A1271T	Heterozygous	NS	0.0004; 0.0002; 0.0012; 0.0002	Ρ	28.3	-0.075	4.59
157	NPHS1	19:36333370	18	c.C2417A: p.A806D	Homozygous	NS	.; 8.24 x10 ⁻⁶ ; 0; 7.95 x10 ⁻⁶	D	23.7	0.374	4.46
	INF2	14:105181022	21	c.G3523A: p.D1175N	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.000017; 0; 8.15 x10 ⁻⁵	D	19.12	0.097	4.73
	NPHP4	1:5937173	20	c.C2797T:p.R933W	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.0000416; 0; 0.00002938	Р	16.48	-1.152	-9.61
162	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A:p.G867D	Homozygous	NS	.; 0.000022; 0.0001; 0.000016	D	28.7	0.74	3.88
	ALMS1	2:73747129	11	c.C9764G:p.S3255C	Heterozygous	NS	0.001; 0.0006; 0.0044; 0.0005	D	23.4	-0.174	3.76
	COL4A 1	13:110817289	46	c.G4070C:p.G1357A	Heterozygous	NS	· · · · ·, ·, ·, ·, ·	D	26	0.667	4.3
	ITGB4	17:73739874	26	c.C3043T:p.R1015C	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.0001; 0.0007; 0.0001	D	28.9	0.186	2.94
	KANK1	9:742265	14	c.C3757T:p.L1253F	Heterozygous	NS	.; .; .; 3.98 x10 ⁻⁶	D	26.3	0.472	4.28
163	NPHS1	19:36335272	15	c.C2020T:p.P674S	Homozygous	NS		D	27	0.728	3.67
	KANK1	9:710853	7	c.87delC: p.D29fs	Heterozygous	fs*del	.; 8.4x10 ⁻⁶ ; 6.8 x10 ⁻⁵ ; 3.99 x10 ⁻⁶	•		•	
	VPS33 B	15:91561079	2	c.C133G: p.L45V	Heterozygous	NS	0.0002; 0.000058; 0.0004; 0.000043	D	25.7	0.668	5.45
165	NPHS1	19:36339610	9	c.C1099T: p.R367C	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.00003308; 0.0001; 0.00003978	D	28.7	0.528	4.37
	NPHS1	19:36341349	5	c.527-2A>G	Heterozygous	Sp	.; .; .; .		22.6	0.788	4.09
	ALMS1	2:73680160	8	c.C6503T: p.S2168L	Heterozygous	NS	0.0002; 0.000075; 0.0005; 0.000060	D	25.2	0.094	3.48
168	NPHS1	19:36330221	22	c.C3027G: p.Y1009X	Homozygous	Tr*	.; 8.24 x10⁻6; 6.1 x10⁻5; 7.95 x10⁻ ⁶	•	38	0.513	1.06
	ALMS1	2:737997787	17	c.A10771C: p.T3591P	Heterozygous	NS	0.0008; 0.0003; 0.0025; 0.0003	D	18.17	-0.413	-1.18
	ARHGA P24	4:86921681	10	c.G2053A: p.D685N	Heterozygous	NS	0.0008; 0.0009; 0.0064; 0.0009	Ρ	29.3	0.295	5.56

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	CRB2	chr9:126135651 Exon-10	10	c.2841delG: p.P947fs	Heterozygous	fs*del	., ., ., .		• •			
169	NPHS1	19:36321958	27	c.C3478T: p.R1160X	Homozygous	Tr*	.; 0.000066; 0.000 0.000099	02; .	37	7 0.	251	3.74
	CD151	11:837277	6	c.A379C: p.K127Q	Heterozygous	NS	0.0002; 0.0004; 0.00; 0.0004	31; E	B 18	5.64 -0	.087	4.26
	TTC21 B	2:166747104	24	c.C3148T: p.R1050W	Heterozygous	NS	.; .; .; 3 .99 x10 ⁻⁶	[D 34	4 0.	891	4.76
173	NPHS1	19:36321958	27	c.C3478T: p.R1160X	Heterozygous	Tr*	.; 0.000066; 0.000 0.000099	02; .	37	7 0.	251	3.74
	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A: p.G867D	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.000022; 0.000 0.000016	01; [D 28	3.7 0.	74	3.88
	ITGA3	17:48153013	12	c.C1588T: p.R530C	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.00002481; 6.1x10 0.00002389	0 ⁻⁵ ; [D 27	7.8 0.	244	5.54
	SYNPO	5:150036540	3	c.G2603A: p.G868E	Heterozygous	NS	0.0002; 0.0004; 0.00 0.0001	19; [D 17	7.24 0.	444	4.91
180	NPHS1	19:36337056	12	c.C1481A: p.S494X	Heterozygous	Tr*	.; .; .; .	•	39	90.	581	4.15
	NPHS1	19:36340541- 36340548	6	c.614_621delinsTT: p.T205_A207delinsI	Heterozygous	fs*del	.; 0.00001653; 0.000 0.0000199	01; .	•	•		•
	NPHP4	1:5937221	20	c.2749delG:p.E917fs	Heterozygous	fs*del	., ., ., .		-			
181	NPHS1	19:36332715	20	c.T2717C:p.I906T	Homozygous	NS	.; .; .; .	[D 20	6.8 0.	821	4.78
	FN1	2:216271099	19	c.C2848T:p.H950Y	Heterozygous	NS	.; 8.24x10 ⁻⁶ ; 6.1x10 0.00003183	0 ⁻⁵ ; F	P 24	4.6 0.	271	5.14
196	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A:p.G867D	Homozygous	NS	.; 0.00002173; 0.000 0.00001634	01; [D 28	3.7 0.	74	3.88
	KANK2	19:11304341	4	c.G415T:p.A139S	Heterozygous	NS	., ., ., .	[D 22	2.6 0.	161	4.38
	NPHP4	1:5947516	18	c.G2315A:p.R772H	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.00001685; 0; 8.06x10 ⁻⁶	³ [D 33	30.	754	5.46
201	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A:p.G867D	Homozygous	NS	.; 0.00002173; 0.000 0.00001634	01; [D 28	3.7 0.	74	3.88
	EXT1	8:119122904	1	c.G382T:p.A128S	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.00001648; 0.00 0.0000159	01; E	3 12	2.59 -0	.582	5.47
	LRP2	2:170068592	37	c.C6166T:p.R2056W	Heterozygous	NS	0.0004; 0.0001; 0.00 0.0001	01; [D 34	4 0.	815	5.88
217	ARHGD IA	17:79826519	7	c.T736G:p.C246G	Heterozygous	NS	· · · · ·, ·, ·, ·		1().02 1.	931	0.929
	FAT1	4:187527277	17	c.G10297A:p.V3433I	Heterozygous	NS	0.0006; 0.0002; 0.00 0.0002	14; E	3 19	9.37 -0	.266	5.56
	ITGB4	17:73727328	10	c.G1094A:p.R365Q	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.0001; 0.0006; 0.0001	F	24	4.3 -0	.129	4.12

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228	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A:p.G867D	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.00002173; 0.00 0.00001634	001;	D	28.7	0.74	3.88
	NPHS1	19:36340541- 36340548	6	c.614_621delinsTT; p.T205_A207delinsI	Heterozygous	fs*del	.; 0.00001653; 0.00 0.0000199	001;		•		•
	COQ6	14:74427966	9	c.G907A:p.A303T	Heterozygous	NS	0.0002; 0.0003; 0.00 0.0003	023;	В	24.1	0.071	5.33
	COQ9	16:57490845	5	c.A524G:p.K175R	Heterozygous	NS	0.0002; 0.0001; 0.00 0.0001	009;	Р	23.6	0.464	5.68
	ITGB4	17:73745039	27	c.C3229T:p.R1077C	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.00002598; 0.00003209	0;	D	32	0.584	4.93
235	NPHS1	19:36333089	19	c.G2600A:p.G867D	Homozygous	NS	.; 0.00002173; 0.00 0.00001634	001;	D	28.7	0.74	3.88
	LAMB2	3:49162269	21	c.A2974G:p.I992V	Heterozygous	NS	0.0004; 0.0005; 0.00 0.0005	038;	D	23.9	0.562	4.36
240	WT1	11:32450063	2	c.T749A:p.M250K	Heterozygous	NS	0.0002; 0.0003; 0.00 0.0002	019;	В	24.4	0.09	5.62
266	No priorit	ized variations										
267	NPHS1	19:36339610	9	с.С1099Т: p.R367С	Heterozygous	NS	.; 0.000033; 0.00 0.0000398	001;	D	28.7	0.528	4.37
	NPHS1	19:36341889	4	c.C500T: p.P167L	Heterozygous	NS	.; 8.3x10⁻⁶; 6.1x10⁻⁵; 3.9 ⁶)x10 ⁻	D	27.6	0.555	5.99
	FAT1	4:187540958	10	c.C6782T: p.T2261M	Heterozygous	NS	0.001; 0.0009; 0.00 0.0008	033;	D	24.6	0.624	5.05
X1	LAMB2	3:49168499		c.C799T; p.R267Ter	Homozygous	Tr	-, 0, 0, -		D	36	0.85	4.76

B benign; D deleterious; del deletion; fs frameshift; NS non synonymous; P pathogenic; Tr truncating

Haplotype	Chromosomal	SNP ID	Reference allele A	Alternate; allele	P-value*
region	Coordinates			В	
5'-H2	chr19:35850672	rs142125121	Т	С	0.0268
	chr19:35863180	rs201159994	A	G	0.0005
	chr19:35863226	rs150552589	G	T	2.2498E-08
5'-H1	chr19:35898796	rs112270905	T	TC	7.0269E-11
	chr19:35898899	rs16970294	A	G	7.0269E-11
	chr19:35899037	rs113510419		С	7.0269E-11
	chr19:35899068	rs142160831	GTGA	G	7.0269E-11
	chr19:35991373	rs2293695	C	Т	0.025
	chr19:35998362	rs4254439	Т	G	0.0459
	chr19:36004106	rs4806163	A	G	1.5754E-06
	chr19:36004171	rs12460932	С	A	0.0459
	chr19:36017928	rs10775583	G	С	0.0005
	chr19:36018272	rs12461911	С	Т	0.0001
	chr19:36033460	rs2239945	С	Т	0.0001
5'-H	chr19:36048741	rs2230181	G	Т	0.0152
	chr19:36157740	rs61741212	С	Т	0.0332
	chr19:36168914	rs2285421	Т	С	2.0518E-05
	chr19:36218478	rs11670414	С	Т	0.0047
	chr19:36224705	rs231591	A	G	5.3275E-08
	chr19:36233470	rs3746278	G	A	0.0113
	chr19:36234489	rs28656784	Т	С	0.0332
	chr19:36235431	rs3761087	A	G	0.0256
	chr19:36236909	rs10402601	G	С	0.0256
	chr19:36246418	rs11549030	С	G	0.0429
	chr19:36269915	rs231230	Т	С	0.0081
	chr19:36270052	rs231231	A	G	0.0081
	chr19:36273534	rs2291067	G	А	0.0035
	chr19:36275074	rs62112163	G	А	0.0035
	chr19:36278470	rs231235	С	G	0.0081

Supplementary Table SV List of 44 single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNP), flanking p.Gly867Asp, selected for haplotype analysis

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	chr19:36321910	rs731934	G	A	0.001
	chr19:36322270	rs2071327	С	Т	0.0007
	chr19:36322509	rs466452	G	A	1.0815E-05
Mutation	chr19:36333089	G867D	С	Т	3.53E-16
3'-H1	chr19:36351935	rs35854130	G	Т	0.00006686
	chr19:36549684	rs61742664	G	A	0.015
3'-H2	chr19:36574063	rs45567532	С	Т	7.6486E-08
	chr19:36577579	rs4806263	С	Т	7.6486E-08
	chr19:36577742	rs77938609	G	A	0.015
	chr19:36583651	rs61494900	G	A	7.6486E-08
	chr19:36590329	rs2285745	Т	С	0.0015
	chr19:36594063	rs17851502	С	Т	7.6486E-08
	chr19:36595436	rs1008328	A	С	0.0044
	chr19:36603703	rs2072605	Т	A	0.0005
	chr19:36674305	rs4805162	A	G	0.0066
	chr19:36727365	rs2070132	G	A	0.0013

Supplementary Table SVI Haplotype analysis of single nucleotide polymorphism markers flanking the mutation, indicating segregation of a core haplotype along with the Gly867Asp variant

No.	~12 kbp region	~135 kbp region	Core-Haplotype (~500 kbp re		~153 kbp region	Allele	
	rs142125121- rs150552589	rs112270905- rs2239945	rs2230181-rs466452		rs35854130- rs61742664	rs45567532- rs2070132	Count
	5'-H2	5'-H1	5'-H	G867D	3'-H1	3'-H2	
1	ABB	BBBBAAAABBB	AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA	В	BA	BBABBBBBAB	13
2	ABB	BBBBAAAABBB	AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA	В	BA	AAAABABBAB	1
3	AAA	BBBBAAAABBB	AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA	В	BA	BBABBBBBAB	1
4	AAA	AAAABABABAA	ААААААААААААААААА	В	BA	AAAAABABA	2
5	BAA	AAAAABAABBB	АААААААААААААААА	A	BA	BBABBBBBAB	1
6	AAA	AAAABABABBB	ААААААААААААААААА	A	AA	AAAAABAAA	1
7	BAA	AAAAAAABBB	АААААААААААААААА	A	AB	AABAAABAAB	1
	Other haplotypes						46

*Allele A refers to the major allele and B refers to the minor allele. In cases of Gly867Asp, B is a mutant allele. The grey shaded area refers to the mutant allele associated core haplotype

Author, year	Ν	Method of sequencing	Ethnicity	Etiology, %						
		(number of genes)		NPHS1	NPHS2	WT1	PLCE1	LAMB2	Others	Unknown
Koziell, 2002 [xi]	41	Sanger (2)	British, Maltese, Turkish, Asian	73	10	NT	NT	NT	NT	15
Sako, 2005 [xii]	13	Sanger (4)	Japanese	15	8	0	NT	NT	0 for ACTN4	77
Machuca, 2010 [xiii]	117	Sanger (8)	West Europe; Turkey; North Africa	61	15	2	2	2	0	19
Schoeb, 2010 [xiv]	67	Sanger (1)	Worldwide	58	Exc	Exc	NT	NT	NT	42
Buscher, 2010 [xv]	62	Sanger, panel (10)	German	53	13	23	2	5	2 (ARGHDIA)	3
Santin, 2011 [xvi]	15	Sanger (8)	Spanish	80	7	13	0	NT	NT	0
Lee, 2011 [xvii]	15	Not stated	Korean	40	7	40	0	7	0	7
Mbarek, 2011 [xviii]	12*	Linkage, Sanger (6)	Tunisian	60	0	0	0	40	0 for CD2AP	0
Cil, 2015 [xix]	80	Sanger (4)	Turkish; Middle East; East Europe	46	16	6	NT	4	NT	28
Sadowski, 2015 [xx]	235	Next-generation	Worldwide	40	11	9	2	6	3	31
Trautman, 2015 [xxi]	98	Sanger or next-generation	Europe, Middle East, Latin	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	34
			America							
Sen, 2017 [xxii]	31	Next-generation	Worldwide	39	6	3	0	10	0	42
Wang, 2017 [xxiii]	12	Next-generation	Chinese	50	0	8	0	8	8 (ADCK4)	25
Li, 2018 [xxiv]	12	Sanger or next-generation	Chinese	67	0	8	0	0	8 (COQ6)	17
Sharief, 2019 [xxv]	11	Not stated	Arab, Asian, African	64	0	9	0	27	0	0
Nishi, 2019 [xxvi]	36	Not stated	Japanese	42	3	22	0	8	3 (CRB2)	22
Dufek, 2019 [xxvii]	69	Not stated	European	80	1	13	1	3	1 (SGPL1)	14
Berody, 2019 [xxviii]	55	Sanger (5)	European	65	9	7	2	0	0	16
Sinha, 2019 [xxix]	15	Next generation (27) or	Indian	53	0	7	7	0	0	33
		Sanger (<4)								
Nagano, 2020 [xxx]	13	Targeted next generation	Japanese	31		15		31	8 (<i>LAMA5</i>)	15
Present study	34	Next-generation	Indian	74	4	0	4	4	4 (OSGEP)	11

Supplementary SVII Studies examining the genetic basis of congenital nephrotic syndrome in 10 or more patients

Exc excluded; NA not available; NT not tested

Only latest and largest paper for each group was included, unless overlap of patients between studies appeared unlikely *Refers to 12 patients from 5 families

Supplementary Table SVIII Frequency of haplotype markers of 5'-H1/5'H/3'-H1/3'-H2 region including Gly867Asp variant, (as indicated in Supplementary Table S6) from the1000 Genome population dataset

Sub-populations	South Asian	European	East Asian	American	African
Number of disease core haplotype carriers	2	20	1	7	1
Number of subjects	489	503	504	347	661
Frequency, %	0.20	1.98	0.09	1.008	0.07



Supplementary Figure S1 Heatmap representing prioritized variants per sample. Each column represents a patient while rows indicate genes. Individual cells are colored according to zygosity of variant while the type of change is indicated at the top of each column.

NPHS1	G867D	NPHS1	P6/4S	NPHS1	A806D
HUMAN	TSSATLHCRAR G VPNIVFTWTKNOVP	HUMAN	VTAVFOGEALL P VSVSANPAPEAENW	HUMAN	SRGPTGRLRIHH & KLAOAGAYOCIVD
RAT	TSSATLHCRAR G VPNIDFTWTKN6VP	PAT	VTVA/EOGOVI I P VSVSANDADEAEMJ	RAT	SKESTERI RTRO A KI SOAGAVOCTVD
BOVINE	TSSATLHCRAR G VPNIVFTWTKNGVP	BOUTHE	VTAVEOGEALL D VOVCANDADEAEMU	MAN PAGE	PROPERTIAN A REPORT OF
CHIMPANZEE	TSSATLHCRAR G VPNIVFTWTKN6VP	CURMENDER	VIAVEQUEALL P VSVSANPAPEARNN	CUTMBANJEE	EDEDTEDI DTULI A VI AGACAVOCTVO
ZEBRA FISH	SNDANVVCQAQ G VPRVQFRWAKNGFP	CHIMPANZEE	VIAVEQUEALL P VSVSANPAPEARAW	TERRA ETCU	EDOCTON TWE N TODDACAGOCTAD
		ZEBRA FISH	VQVIEDETATL PAKVSANPDEITCEW	ZEBKA FISH	
NPHS1	Q1/8X	NBU61	10047	NPHS1	H617R
HUMAN	PAPDITILLSG Q TISDISANVNE6SQ	WEUST	19061	LIMAN	
RAT	PAPDITFIQSE R TILDVSSNVNEESE	HUMAN	HQGGVHSSLLT I ANVSAAQDYALFTC	D A 27	AAAAKSVELQVSSKD HI QQKVICKAHSK
BOVINE	PAPDITFLLSG Q TISGISANVNEGSQ	RAT	HQGVVHSSLLT I ANVSAAQDYALFKC	KA I	AASKSVFLKVSSKU HI QUKVICKAHSE
CHIMPANZEE	PAPDITILLS6 Q TISDISANVNE6SQ	BOVIN	HQGGVHSSLLT I ANVSAAQDYALFTC	BOATINE	AAARSVLLKLSSKD H GMRVICSAHS
ZEBRA FISH	PPAEITNFRDG E ELLESESYTMS6SQ	CHIMPANZEE	HQGGVHSSLLT I ANVSAAQDYALFTC	CHIMPANZEE	AAARSVLLQVSSRD H GQRVTCRAHSA
		ZEBRA FISH	STGTIHTSILT V INVSAALDYAIFTC	ZEBRA FISH	SRTSKLSLTLESHH W RKRITCQAFSN
NPHS1	D713G			MDLIS1	P268Y
HUMAN	GALHLWINTRA D DGLYQLHCQNSEGT	NPHS1	R864H	NEUST	N200A
RAT	GALQLWINVTRA D DGFYQLHCQNSEGT	HUMAN	STSSATLHC R ARGVPNIVFTWTKNGF	HUMAN	GQSLELPCVA R GGNPLATLQWLKNGQ
ROATHE	GUTATINA INV D DOLAOLHCONPERI	RAT	STSSATLHC R ARGVPNIDFTWTKNGF	RAT	GENLELPCTA R GGNPPATLQWLKNGK
CHIMPANZEE	GALHLWNVTRA D DGLYQLHCQNSEGT	BOVTNE	STSSATINC P ARGVPNTVETUTKNGE	BOVINE	GQSLELLCTA R GGNPLATLQWLKNGQ
ZE8RA FISH	WTLEIVWVSRR D GGDYIIECSNAEGS	CUTMDAMZEE		CHIMPANZEE	GQSLELFCVA R GGNPLATLQWLKNGQ
		ZERDA ETCU		ZEBRA FISH	GSFLKVVCMS Y GGNPLATLHWTKNGE
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HUMAN	EYERVIIFRLGHLLPGRAKGP G LFFFLP	MBUS1	D267C	NPHS1	F1207K
RAT	EYERVIIFRLGHLLPGRAKGP G LFFFLP	HIMAN	ASASATENEMATIST VERSE DI DUVIT DU	HIMAN	
ZEBRA FISH	EHERAVKFRLGHLLKKRPRGP G LMFYLP	DAT	GSVEGSENVM/TLOCI TVSS BLODVI I DU	DAT	
CHIMPANZEE	EYERVIIFRLGHLLPGRAKGP G LFFFLP	DOM THE	GSASOGENKMATI COTTAGE DI DOVI I DIJ	DOM/THE	
BOVINE	EYERVIIFRLGHLLPGRAKGP G LFFFLP	CUINDANZEE	GSASQSERRAVILSCURVS P DRVII BU	CUTMDAN7CC	
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ZEERA FISH	PRRTYITPPGQGFLPGETAKHHRSV I LT	NPHS1	\$494X	NPHS1	R407W
RAT	PRRTYVTAPGTGFLPGDTAFHHRAV I LD	HUMAN	SLMWYXDSRTVTESRLPDE S RRVHLGSVEK	HIMAN	HTSMSNITELA R REDNGLTLTCEAES
BOVINE	PRRTYVTPPGTGFLPGDTARHHRAV I LD	RAT	SI TWEKDSRPVSEPROPOE P RRVOI GSVEK	DAT	HTSMSNI TELV R REDAGL PLTCEAES
CHIMPANZEE	PRRTYATPPGTGFLPGDTARHHRAV	BOVTNE	SI TWYXDSRTVTEPRPPOF P 8RV0I GSVEK	BOM TN	
01/051	Q1422X	CHIMPANZEE	SLMWYKDSRTVTESRLPDE S RRVHLGSVEK	CUTMDAN7EE	
PLEEL		ZEBRA FISH	OLTWLKNNKVVLTASKO	7ERDA ETCU	
MUMAN	NKTSGKSSCEGIR Q TWEESSSPLNPTT		T0056-104	ZEDNA FISH	PHIASULINKA S KEDNOLSEVER N
BOUTM	NETSGESSCEGN O AUEDSAESWIRTT	NPHS1	120515-31	NPHS1	R1160X
ZEBRA FISH	VRAPGKASLEGTR M NSED-OLCLSPST	HUMAN	QQKLFTVEATARV T PRSSDNRQLLVCEASSPA	HIMAN	
CHIMPANZEE	NKTSGKSSCEGIR Q TWEESSSPLNPAT	RAT	EEKLCITEAEARV I PQSSDNGQLLVCEGSNPA	DAT	
		BOVINE	QQKLFTTEATARV T PQSSDNGQLLVCEGSSPA	DOUTNE	
NPHS1	P167L	CHIMPANZEE	QQKLFTVEATARV T PLSSDNRQLLVCEASSPA	CUTMDAN7EE	
CEIMAN		ZEBRA FISH	QDKLQNTHAEVTI R ARSSDDTRRLTCRAKNPA	ZERDA ETCU	
DAT				ZEDRA FISH	ENPHT TIP TEAT SPAL TAPPEDPEDT D
RINTING		LAMB2	R267*		
CHIMDANZEE	P APOTTI I SGOTTSDISANVNEGSOO	HUMAN	GDNLLDPRREI R EKYYYALYELV		
ZEBRA ETSH	P FAETTTERDGEELLESESYTMSGSOD	RAT	GDNLLDPRREI R EKYYYALYELV		
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NPHS1	Y1009X	TERDA ETCU	GONLI DEPDET K EKVYVAMYELV		
HUNAN	GLCPSTR Y RVWLLASNALGDSGLADK	ZEDNA FISH	CONLLUSREET N ENTITAMITELV		
RAT	GLKPSTR Y RIWLLASNALGDSGLTDK	BOAINE	GUNLLOPRREI R EKYYYALYELV		
BOVINE	GLCPSTR Y RVWLLASNALGDSGLADK				
CHIMPANZEE	GLCPSTR Y RVWLLASNALGDSGLADK				
ZE8RA FISH	GLAPSTM Y NESVNALNSIGESSYADN				

Supplementary Figure S2 Images indicating degree of conservation across species for variants to which pathogenicity was attributed

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