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Brain correlates of Spike And Waves Discharges in Glut1-DS

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GLUT1 mutations are a rare cause of familial idiopathic generalized epilepsy

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Glucose Transporter 1 Deficiency as a Treatable Cause of Myoclonic Astatic Epilepsy

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ABSTRACT

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Refractory absence epilepsy associated with GLUT-I deficiency syndrome

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Early onset absence epilepsy: I in I0 cases is caused by GLUTI deficiency

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= Childhood Absence Epilepsy

Structural MRI

- is considered uninformative in GLUT1 deficiency syndrome. Minor, nonspecific abnormalities have been described in some patients:
- · Slight degrees of brain hypotrophy
- Mild frontal lobe atrophy (1pt) (Akman, 2015)
- Atrophy of the cerebellar vermis (1pt) (Akman, 2015)
- Diffuse myelination delay (1pt) (Boles, 1999)
- Hypoplasia of the corpus callosum and the cerebellar vermis- not related to the disease (Klepper ,1999)

PET imaging in GLUT1 with epilepsy







Akman et al., 2015

AIMS OF THE STUDY

Provide biomarkers of GLUT1-DS by means of noninvasive imaging techniques

- BOLD correlates of spike and waves discharges
- Functional connectivity networks (resting state networks)

1. To define the brain networks involved in SWD generation in GLUT1



2. To define functional connectivity of resting state network



→ rest

GLUT-DS patients

Clinical Features		
N° of patients	18	
Mean Age	19.2 yrs (range: 6-43)	
Sex	6M/12F	
Mean Age at dg	16,2 yrs	
N° of children (<18 yrs)	10	
Mean Age at seizures 'onset	33,81 months	
Movement Disorder	13/18 (ataxia 3/11; dystonia 9/11; coreoatetosis 3/11)	
Seizures	16/18 (10/18 A; 4/18 GTC; 3/18 MS)	
SLC2A1 Mutations	17/18 (9 familiar e 8 sporadic)	
Mean QI	70,94 (range 44 -112)	
Mean Glycorrhachia	38, 06 mg/dl (range 31-46 mg/dl)	
Ketogenic Diet	7/18 (3/17 solo KD; 4/7 KD+AED)	

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RESULTS Network generating GSWD in GLUT1-DS Single Subject



10 GLUT1 (152 SWD, 4.31 sec)



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Pt 3: M, 14 yrs, no clinical seizures



Pt 9: F, 6 yrs, GTC & MS

RESULTS Network generating GSWD in GLUT1-DS Group Level-fixed effect



Positive BOLD changes

Negative BOLD changes

P<0.05 FWE

Vaudano et al., under revision

RESULTS Network generating GSWD in GLUT1-DS **Group Level-Conjunction analysis**



Positive BOLD changes

P<0.001 uncorrected, 5 voxels

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Same or different BOLD pattern respect with IGE...





In IGE identical BOLD maps independently of sub-syndrome and GSWD length (Pugnaghi et al., 2014)

Hemodynamic patterns→ disease biomarkers?



Discussion-l

<u>1. GLUT1-DS</u>

The observed BOLD findings-related to epileptic activity delineated a well-defined network of cortical-subcortical regions that are involved in the generation of GSWD in GLUT1-DS and are different from Idiopathic Generalized Epilepsy

The results at the second-level analysis showed an <u>increased</u> neuronal activity, in the **premotor-striatal network**.

Discussion-II



BOLD maps and clinical measurements

Clinical Variables considered -glycorrhachia -Age at seizures' onset -Ketogenic Diet (Y/N) -QI -Age



Discussion-III

2. Direct relationship between the level of glycorrhachia and cortical excitability

"brain glucose hypometabolism, present in infancy, leaves an imprint that persists even when the precipitating condition causing the hypoglycorrhachia is corrected" (Akman et al., 2015)

No effect of age and treatment

2. Resting State Networks in GLUT1



GLUT1 > controls



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Accumbens

Dorsal Caudate

Dorsal Caudal Putamen

Dorsal Rostral Putamen

PCU

GLUT 1 Children vs healthy children



Functional connectivity

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PET imaging in GLUT1

- ⇒ the <u>thalami</u> displayed <u>hypometabolism</u> comparable to the degree of cortical depression
- ⇒ the <u>caudate and bilateral lentiform nuclei</u> exhibited a relative <u>increase</u> in uptake.
- Glucose metabolism was relatively preserved also in occipital, prefrontal and mesialfrontal cortices.
- findings were independent of the severity of the disease, age or epileptic history.

Pascual et al., 2002; Suls et al., 2008

Conclusion:

Preliminary data At present: no clinical implication

✤ But:

- fMRI non invasive
- In IGE with early onset/atypical features the findings of atypical BOLD findings related to GSW is a red flag to think to GLUT1
- In GLUT1: functional connectivity of resting statenetworks could be used in near future to evaluate prospectively single patients

Why PED/dystonia during adolescence?



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Intrinsic connectivity networks from childhood to late adolescence: Effects of age and sex

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PET imaging



ABC: control DEF: GLUT-1DS

The radiotracer distribution appears globally diminished in comparison with the normal subject, except for an apparently increased uptake by the basal ganglia.