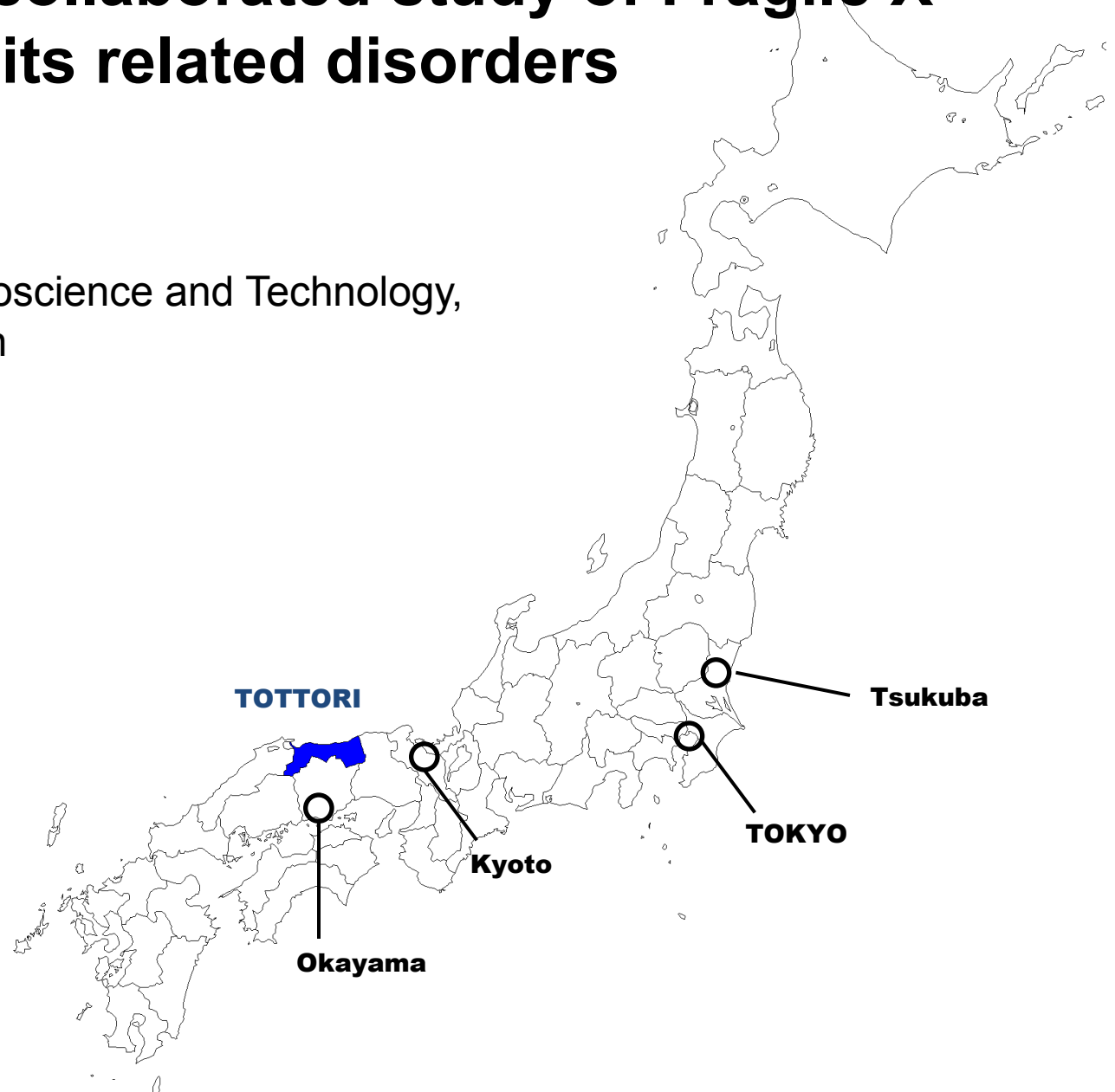


# The Japanese collaborated study of Fragile X syndrome and its related disorders

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# Carrier Screening in Japanese normal population: CGG repeat analysis in *FMR1* gene (Dr. Nanba, 2010)



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## Fragile X carrier screening and *FMR1* allele distribution in the Japanese population

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Table 2  
*FMR1* allele frequencies in autistic patients and normal controls.

No. of <i>FMR1</i> CGG repeats		Autism ( <i>n</i> = 116 alleles)		Controls ( <i>n</i> = 1161 alleles)	
		Male ( <i>n</i> = 102)	Female ( <i>n</i> = 14)	Male ( <i>n</i> = 513)	Female ( <i>n</i> = 648)
6–39	(Normal)	102	14	508 (99%)	647 (99%)
40–54	(Intermediate)	0	0	5 (0.97%)	1 (0.15%)
55–200	(Premutation)	0	0	0	0
≥ 200	(Full mutation)	0	0	0	0

# Frequency of FXS in Japan

Number of the allele			Full mutation (200<)	Pre-mutation (55-200)	Inter-mediate
<b>Our study</b>	1,161	Male	0	0	<b>1:171</b> <sup>1)</sup>
		Female	0	0	<b>1:324</b>
<b>Taiwan</b> (Tzeng CC. 2005)	10,046	Male	1:10,046	1:1,674	<b>1:143</b> <sup>1)</sup>
<b>Spain</b> (Rifé M. 2003)	5,000	Male	1:2,466	1:1,233	<b>1:449</b> <sup>3)</sup>
		Female	1:8,333	1:411	
<b>Canada</b> (Dombrowski C. 2002)	10,572	Male		1:813	<b>1:441</b> <sup>1)</sup>
<b>Israel</b> (Hagit TA. 2001)	28,668	Female	1:3,584	<b>1:113</b>	<b>1:179</b> <sup>2)</sup>

\* The range of CGG repeats : 1) 45-54、2) 50-54、3) 52-55

# Background/starting point of present study

1. Frequency of FXS in Japan in male is about 1/10,000
2. Lower frequencies of FXS in Japan seem to be due to poor diagnostic systems/guideline or other secondary reasons
3. The first FXTAS patient was found in Japan (Internal Med. 2010)

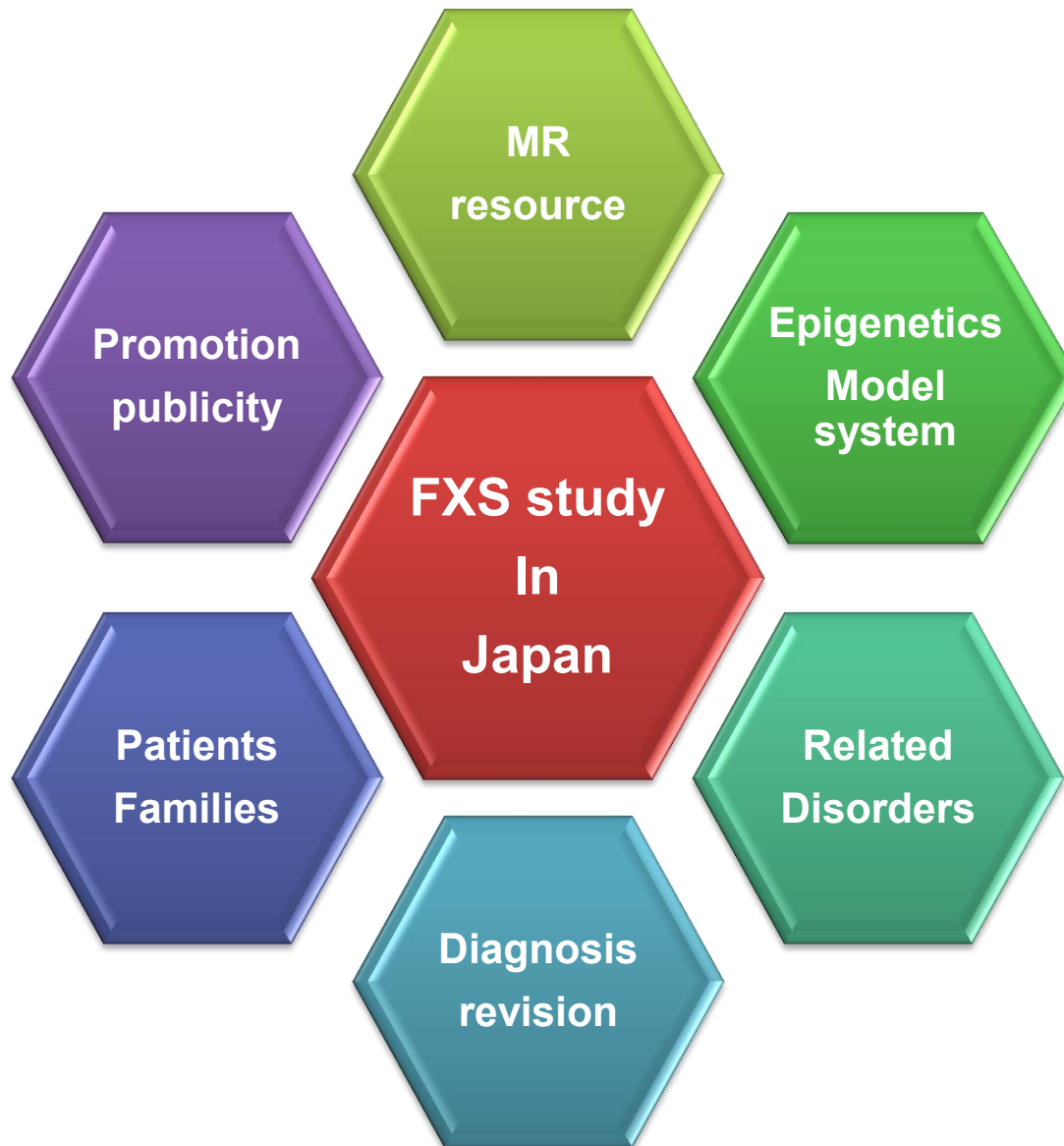
## These evidences prompted us to promote or spread...

**The knowledge** about FXS and related disorders to public health, medicals, and related committees

**The Study** about FXS and related disorders toward development of diagnosis strategy, pharmacotherapy, or treatments in future

**The Systematic approach** toward improving any kinds of situation / limitation / inaccessibilities related to FXS and related disorders in Japan

# “The study of diagnosis and treatment for Fragile X syndrome and related disorders in Japan”



# Members

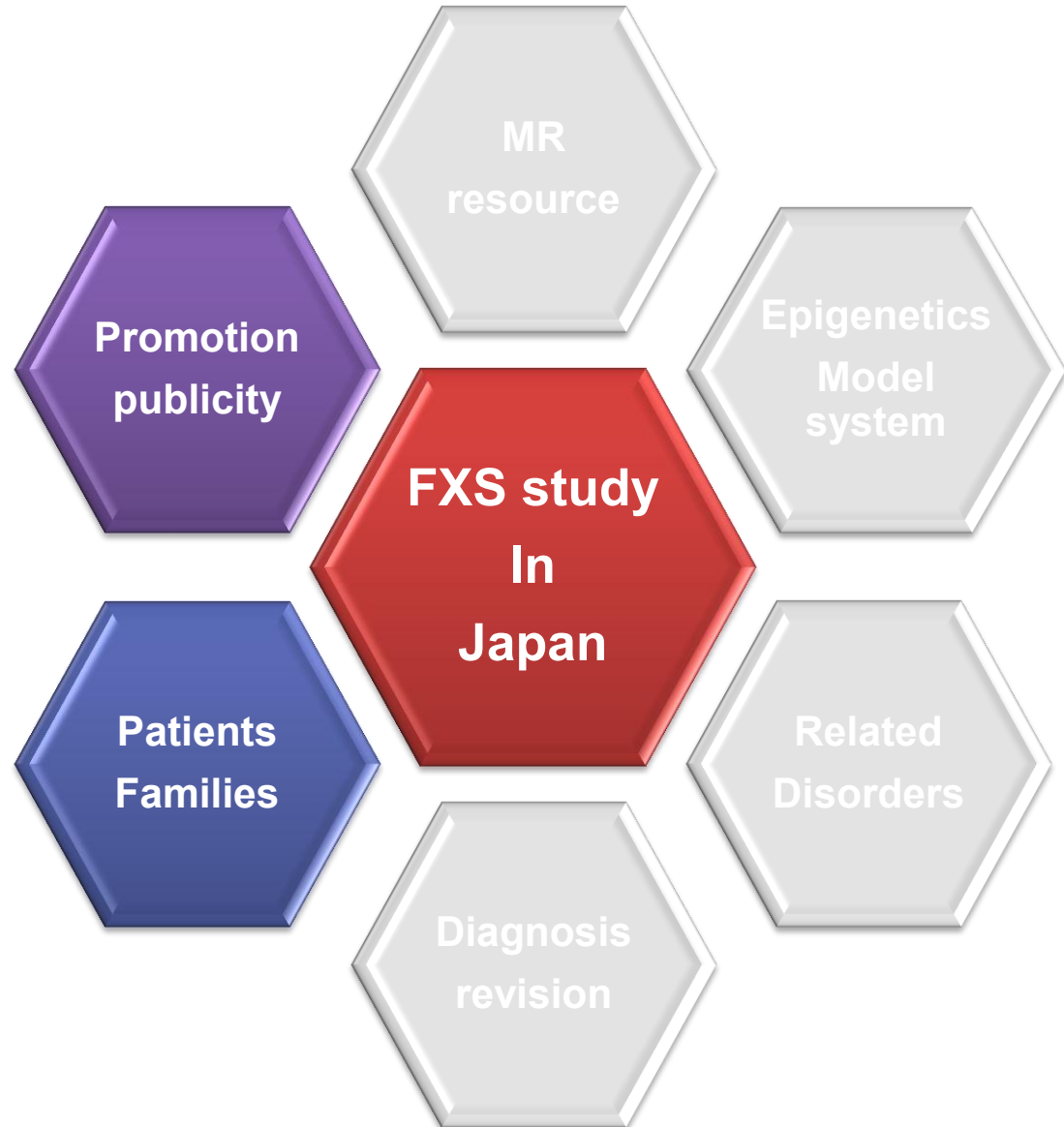
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For  
Related disorder**

POI, PD,  
ASD, FXTAS,  
SCA(10&36)

# The global survey by the questionnaires (Dr. Tsukasa Sasaki)



Global survey by  
questionary investigation  
Targeted to specialists

## Outline of the global survey in this study

The targets:

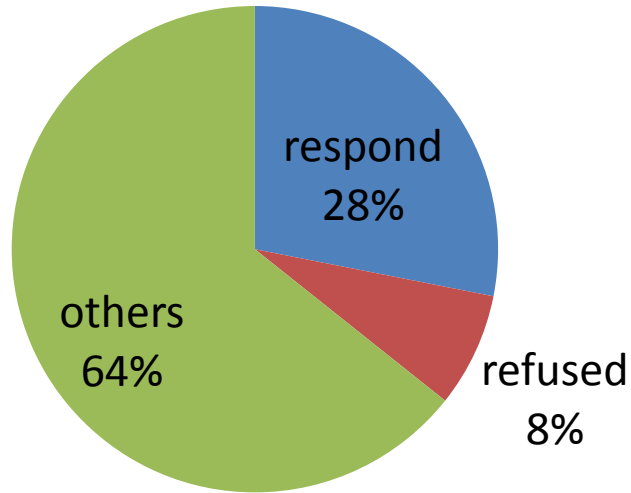
1. **1,022 doctors** with special board with child neurology (SBCN)
2. **1,831 doctors** belong to the Japanese Society for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (JSCAP), working on PDD\* subjects
3. **620 doctors** belong to the Japanese Society of Pediatric Psychiatry and Neurology (JSPPN), working on PDD\* subjects
4. The public health nurses (PHN) in **653 institutions** in Japan, taking care of infants and young children

\***PDD**: Pervasive Developmental Disorders



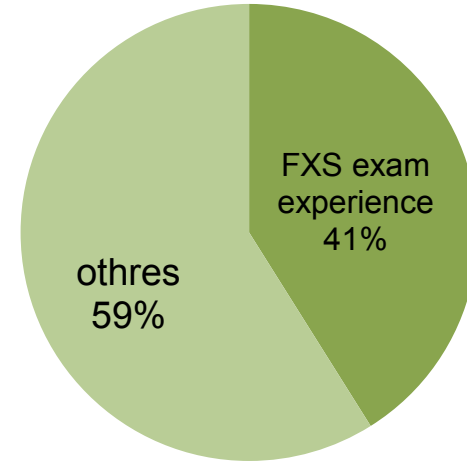
### SBCN response to questionnaire

13 patients were found

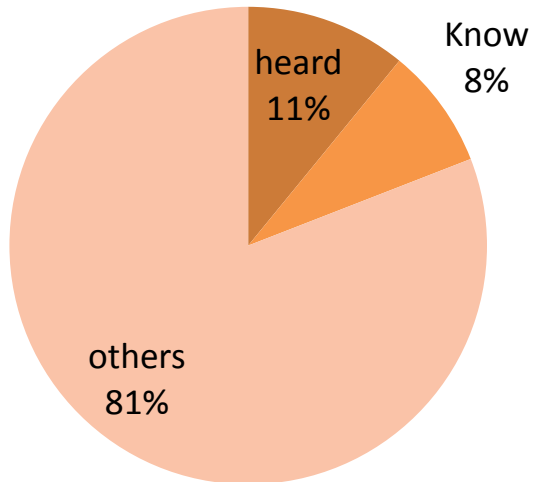


### JSPPN FXS exam experience

(Responds: 43.5%)

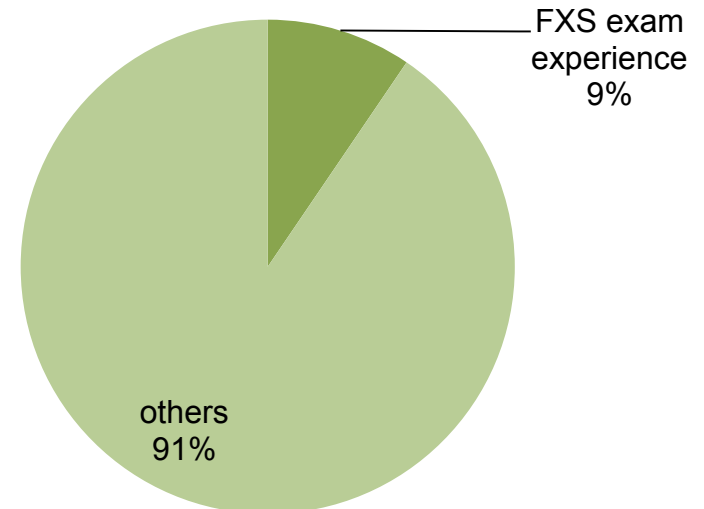


### PHN Knowledge about FXS

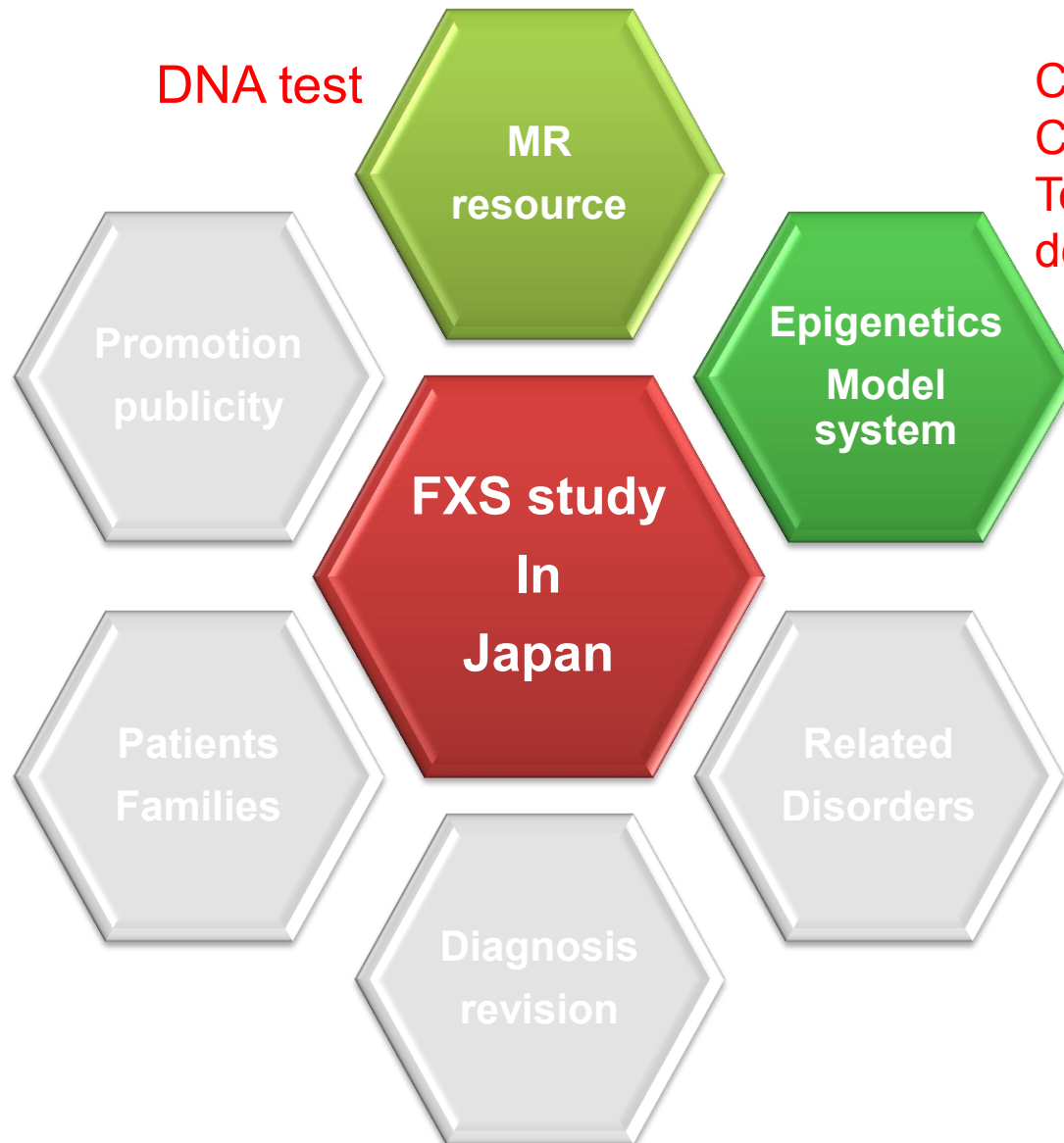


### JSCAP FXS exam experience

(Responds: 26.9%)



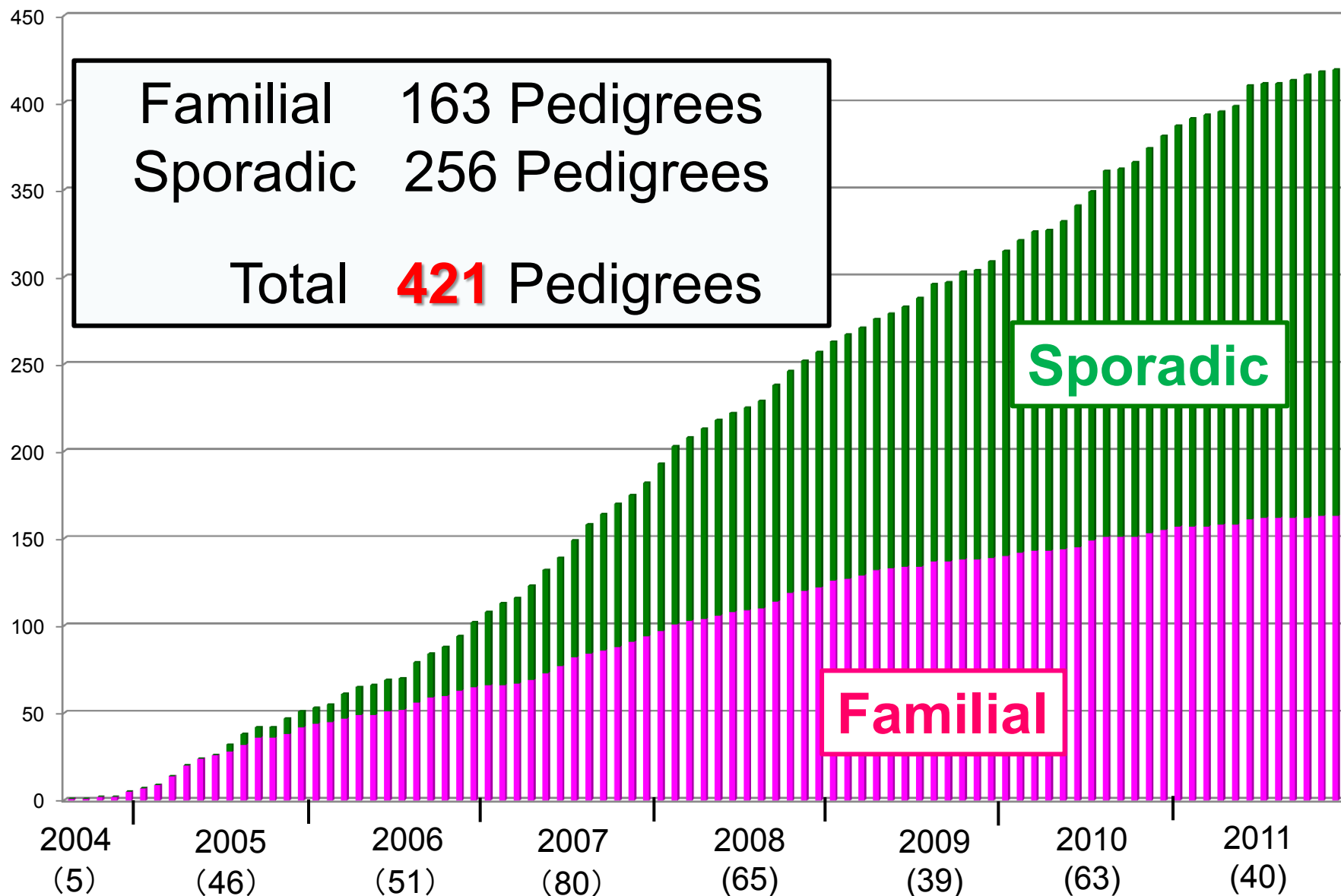
# MR resource was screened for FMR mutation (Dr. Yuichi Goto)



DNA test

Chromatin remodel.  
Chr. Engineering  
Toward therapeutic  
development

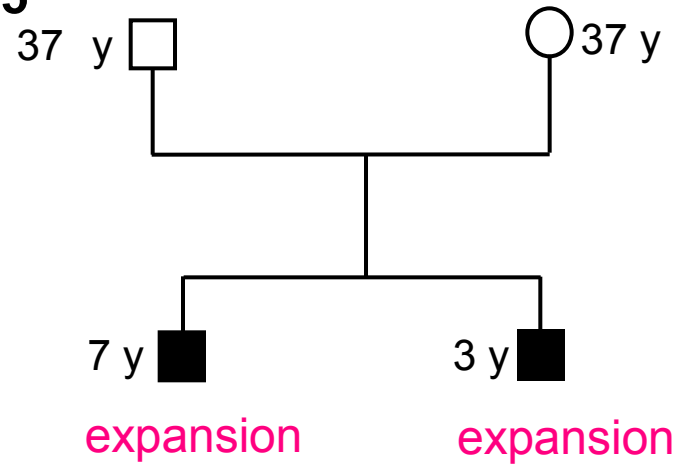
# Registration of MR patients in NCNP As of 31 Dec, 2011



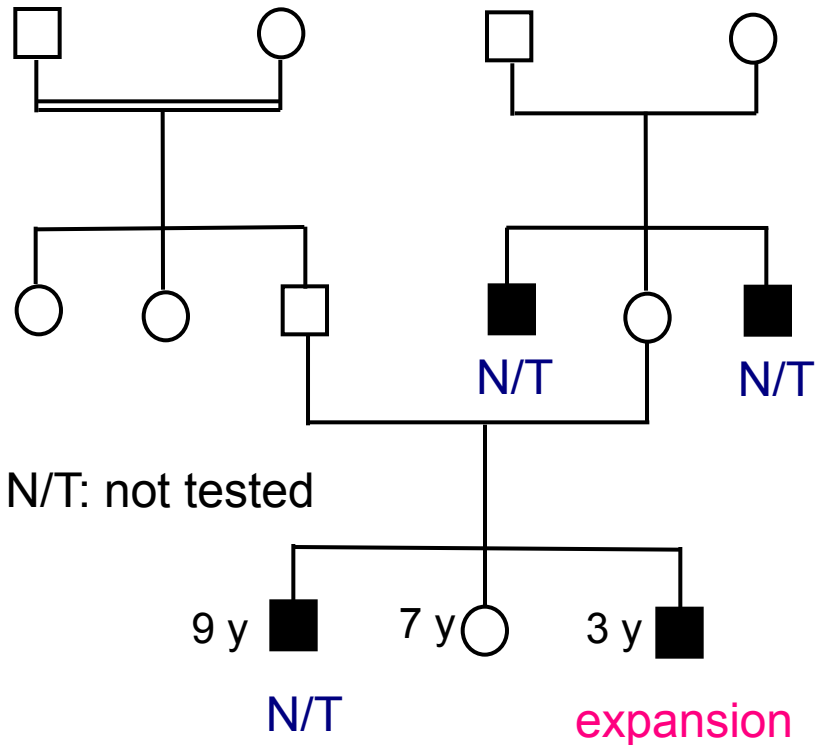
# Three Pedigrees with FMR1 full-Mutation in NCNP repository

Total 3 / 295 (1.01 %)  
 Familial 3 / 136 (2.20 %)  
 Sporadic 0 / 159 (0.00 %)

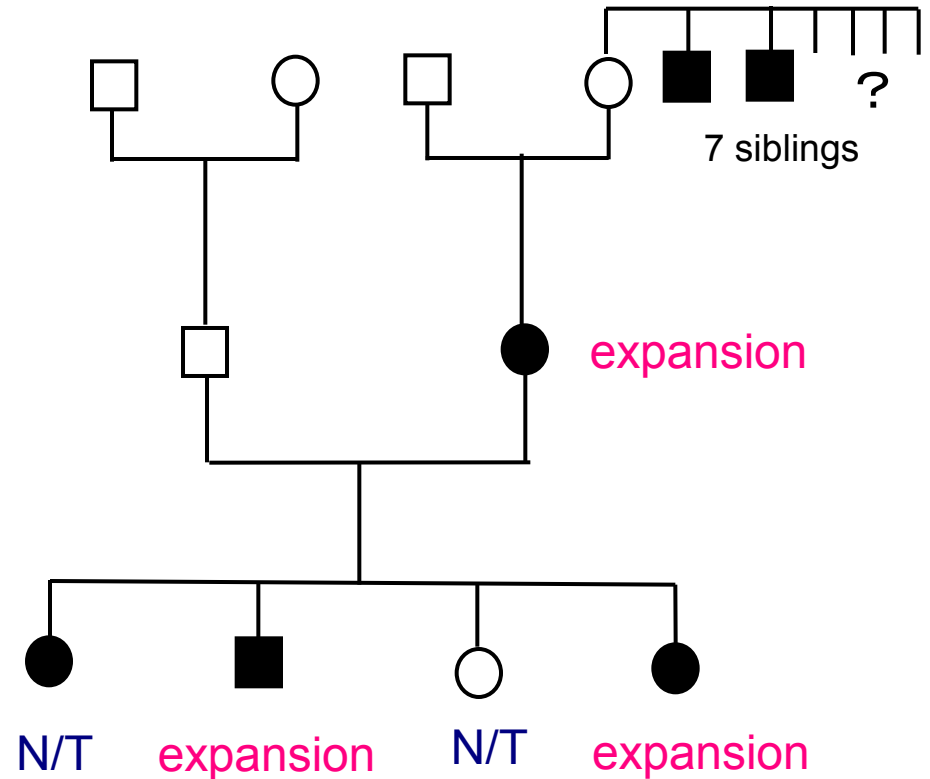
**MR20D/185**



**MR98A/70**

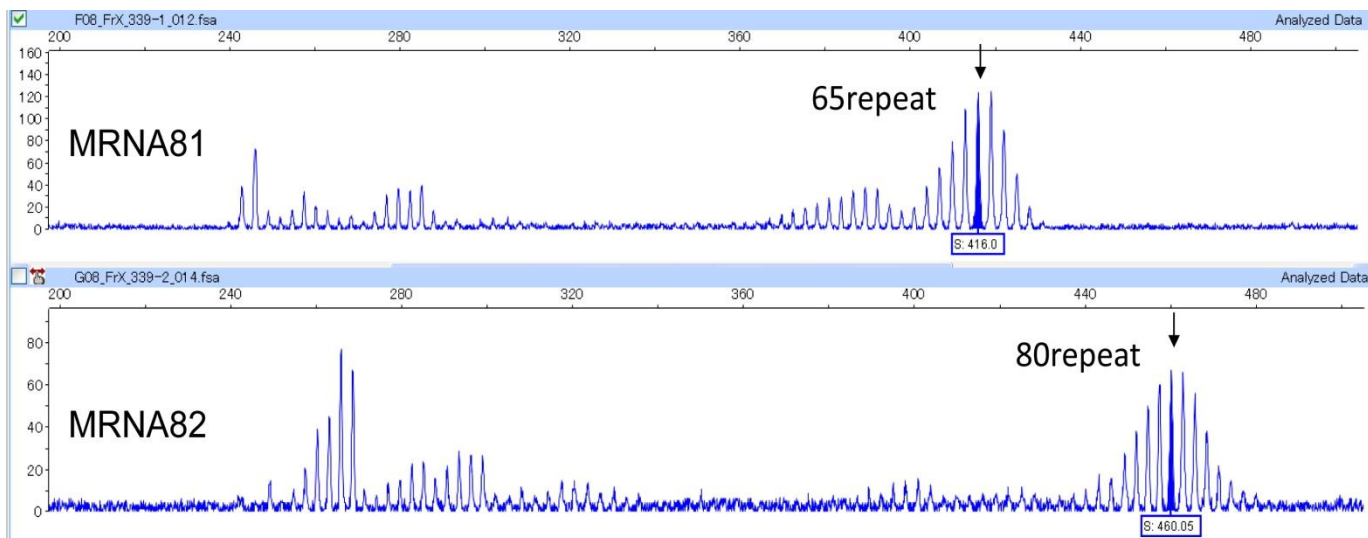
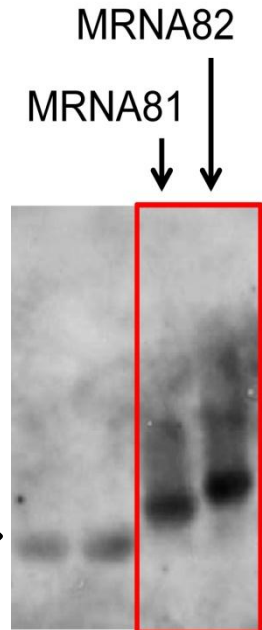
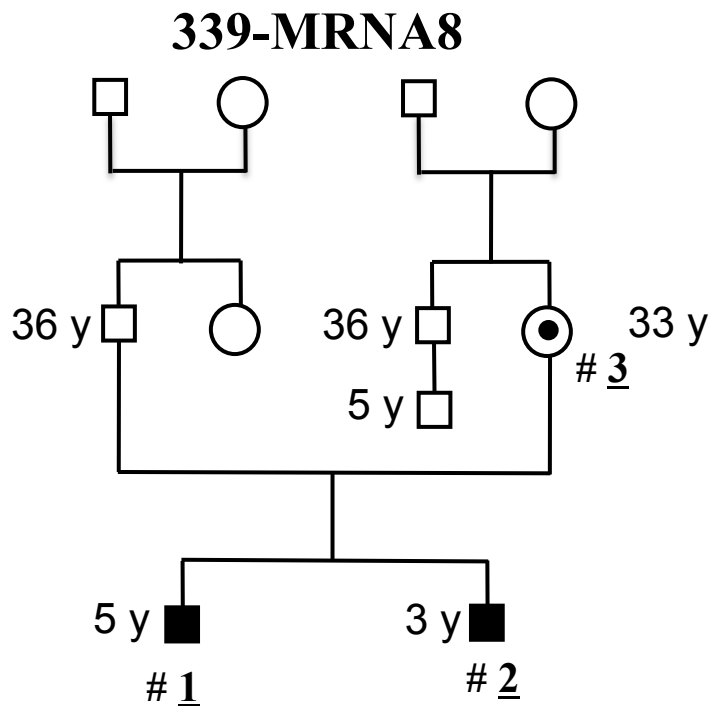


**MR206/52**

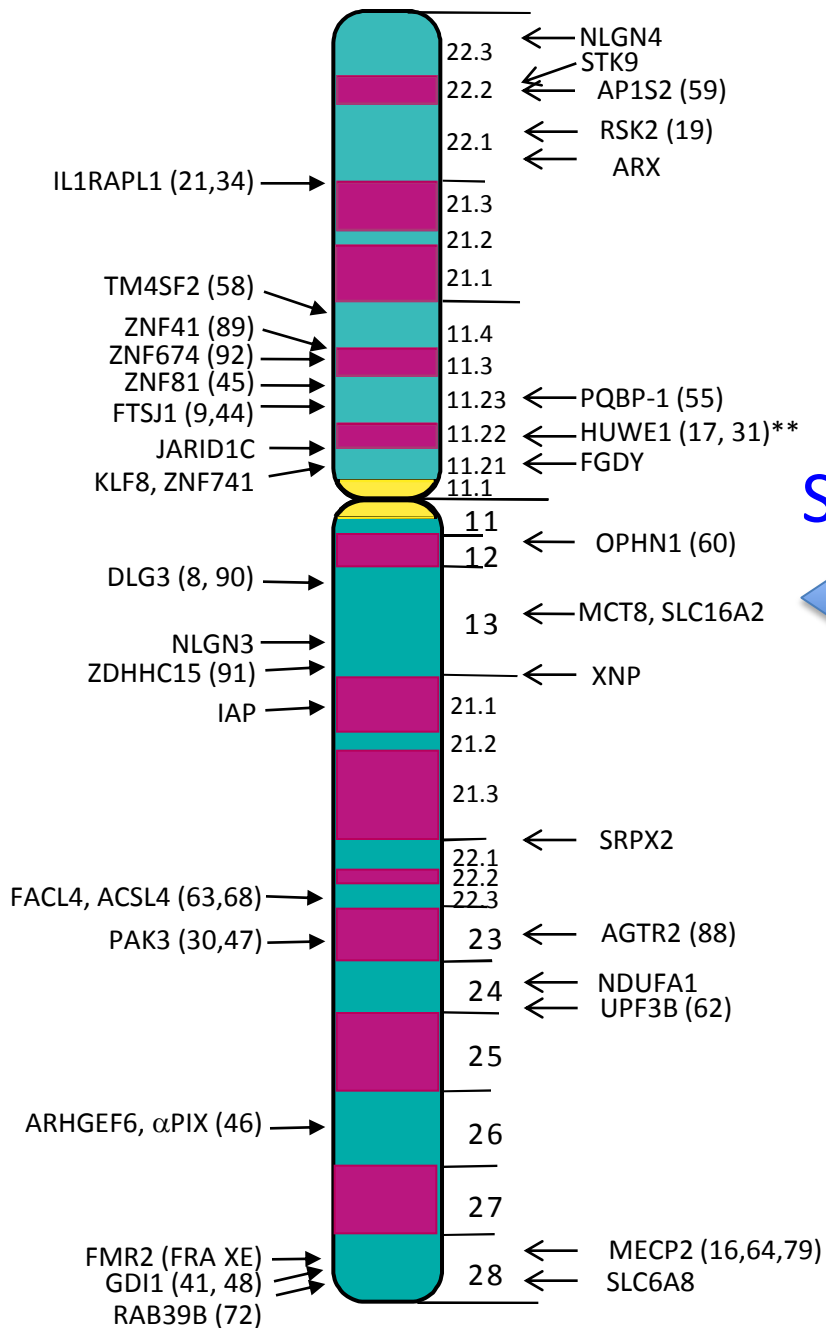


# A Family of *FMR1* Premutation/intermediate

Total 3 / 400 (0.75 %)  
 Familial 3 / 158 (1.90 %)  
 Sporadic 0 / 242 (0.00 %)



2010

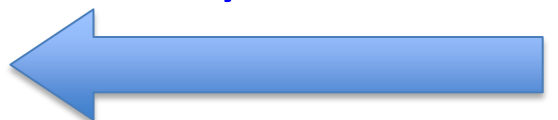


Nonsyndromic XLMR genes

35

25

Steadily increased



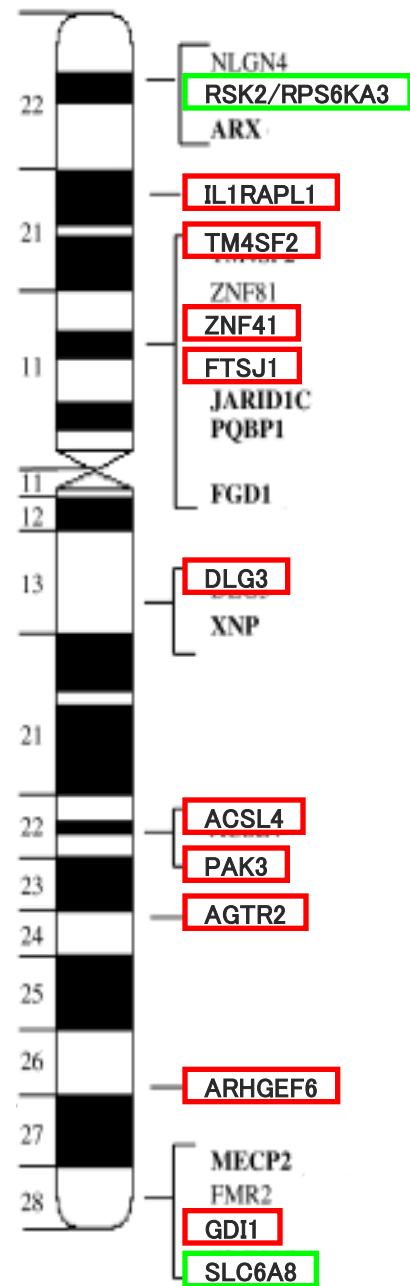
~ 80

~ 50

Syndromic XLMR Genes

Greenwood Genetic Center

2004



## Newly reported XLMR genes from 2005 to 2010

<i>JARID1C</i>	<i>PCDH19</i>	<i>NDUFA1</i>	<i>ZNF674</i>
<i>ZDHHC15</i>	<i>SLC9A6</i>	<i>NXF5</i>	<i>BRWD3</i>
<i>FANCB</i>	<i>MBTPS2</i>	<i>PRPS1</i>	<i>CUL4B</i>
<i>HCCS</i>	<i>NSDHL</i>	<i>RPL10</i>	<i>PORCN</i>
<i>AP1S2</i>	<i>RAB39B</i>	<i>UPF3B</i>	<i>GRIA3</i>
<i>SMC1A/SMC1L1</i>	<i>IQSEC2</i>	<i>ZDHHC9</i>	<i>ZNF711</i>
<i>SRPX2</i>	<i>SYP</i>	<i>HUWE1</i>	<i>MED12</i>
<i>UBE2A</i>			

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Total **13** genes were selected for additional screening  
On XLMR male patients in the repositories

# Results of additional 13 XLMR gene tests

Gene Symbol	mRNA (bp)	exon	Results		
			Group 1 (%)	Group 2 (%)	
<b>Synapse-related</b>					
<i>SYP</i>	2449	6	2/53 (3.8)	0/131(0)	2 Pedigrees (5 Patients)
<i>GRIA3</i>	5195	16	0/53		2 / 184 (0.9%)
<i>RAB39B</i>	3499	2	0/53		
<i>ZDHHC15</i>	1782	11	0/53		
<b>Transcription factors</b>					
<i>ZNF674</i>	2689	6	0/43		3 Pedigrees (5 Patients)
<i>ZNF711</i>	4182	7	0/53		
<i>JARID1C</i>	6097	26	2/53 (3.8)	1/113 (0.08)	
<i>BRWD3</i>	6097	41	Not done		3 / 168 (1.8%)
<b>Ubiquitin-related</b>					
<i>HUWE1</i>	14734	81	Not done		1 Pedigree (2 Patients)
<i>CUL4B</i>	5365	22	0/53		
<b>Others</b>					
<i>RPL10</i>	2335	6	1/53 (1.9)	0/113(0)	1 / 166 (0.6%)
<i>ZDHHC9</i>	2949	10	0/53		
<i>SRPX2</i>	2206	11	0/53		



**p.354fs\*72**

**JARID1C (Jumonji, A/T-rich interactive domain 1C)**



13-59

76-184

326-374

501-617

707-760

1187-1250

JmjN

Arid/Brigh

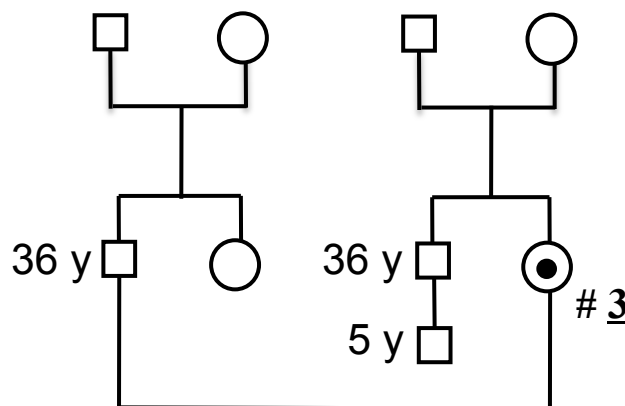
PHD Zinc finger

JmjC

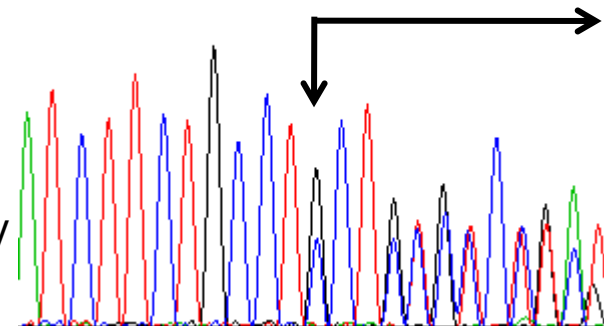
C5HC2 Zinc finger

PHD Zinc finger

wt / **7bp deletion**



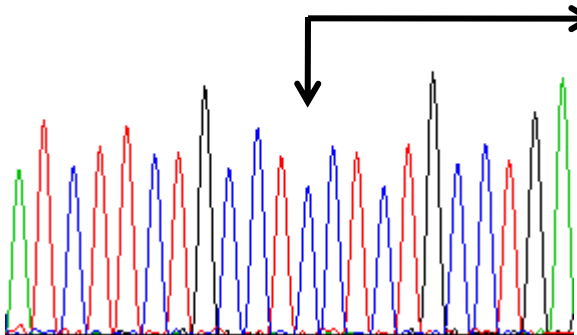
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#3

**7bp deletion**

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#1

5 y

#1

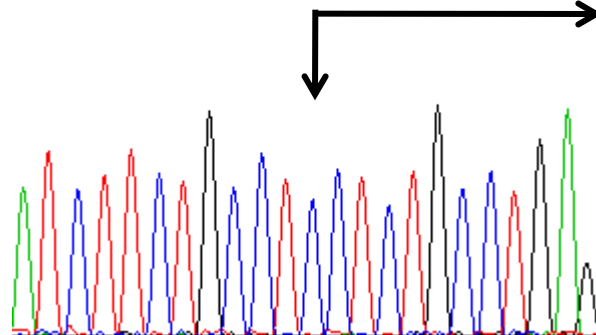
3 y

#2

**339-MRNA8**

**7bp deletion**

A T C T T C T G C C T C C T C T G C C T G A G



#2

# summary

1. Very low frequencies of FXS in Japan was suggested: not only genetically, but also due to 'systems' related to FXS?
2. Teaching about FXS to medical people is important agenda.
3. MR resource is good gateway to find FXS or its associated patients in Japan
4. Basic research is in progress to develop therapeutics based on epigenetic manner to treat FXS patients in future

**Finally, 42 patients with fragile X syndrome were found in this study**

To find more patients, to be more cooperative, and to raise FXS publicity more, are key challenges in Japanese FXS study

Japanese FXS study has just started, just made one step....

