actualización em TRANSTORNOS







## NEURODEVELOPMENT IN KBG SYNDROME: A PORTUGUESE CLINICAL SERIES

Joana Queirós<sup>1</sup>; Cláudia Correia<sup>1,2</sup>; André Coelho Almeida<sup>2,3</sup>; Diana Gonzaga<sup>1,2</sup>; Inês Vaz Matos<sup>1,2</sup>; Catarina Prior<sup>1,2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Serviço de Pediatria, Centro Materno Infantil do Norte, Centro Hospitalar e Universitário do Porto; <sup>2</sup> Unidade de Neurodesenvolvimento, Centro Materno Infantil do Norte, Centro Hospitalar e Universitário do Porto; <sup>3</sup> Serviço de Pediatria e Neonatologia, Centro Hospitalar de Trás-Os-Montes e Alto Douro

KBG Syndrome is a genetic disorder of AD transmission, characterized by global development delay/intellectual disability (GDD/ID) (99% of all cases). This Syndrome may also include:

- Specific craniofacial, dental (characteristically macrodontia) and skeletal anomalies, as well as short stature.
- Cryptorchidism, congenital cardiac and renal malformation.
- Epilepsy and autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

It is caused by a pathogenic variant in or a deletion including the ANKRD11 at 16q24.3 locus.







Figures: A. Craniofacial dysmorphisms; B. Clinodactyly; C. Dental alterations

♂, 13 years old. Ano-rectal malformation (ARM). Fabry disease.

Older brother with similar phenotype (except ARM), congenital cataracts and Fabry disease.

Phenotype → Short stature, facial dysmorphisms, synophrys, brachydactyly, fifth finger clinodactyly and bilateral single palmar crease.

GDD → ID. Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). Global Developmental quotient (GDQ) 56.5. WPPSI-R: Q.I.G 56.

Speech-language, occupational and psychological therapies, and inclusive education. Able to read and write, more difficulties in maths.

Diagnostic at 10 years old. Pathogenic variant c.7535G>A (p.Arg2512Gln) - exon 11.

♂, 5 years old. Premature at 33 weeks.

Older brother with ano-retal and pulmonary malformations.

Phenotype → frontal bossing, hypertelorism, large central incisors, micro and retrognathia, low implantation ears, pectus escavum and inverted nipples.

GDD. GDQ 81.1. Speech-language and occupational therapies, and inclusive education.

Diagnosis at 2 years old. Array CGH: arr(hg19) 16q.24.3 (89,394,003\_89,561,269)x1 - haploinsufficiency.

o, 13 years old. Cryptorchidism and interventricular communication. Benign myoclonic epilepsy from 2 to 4 vears.

Older brother with similar phenotype, myoclonic epilepsy and ADHD.

Phenotype  $\rightarrow$  horizontal eyebrows and synophrys, dysthychiasis, stall upper lip, low front hair implementation and brachydactyly.

Mild GGD → mild ID. Language disorder and ADHD. GDQ 93. WPPSI-R: Q.I.G 68. Speech-language therapy and inclusive education. Able to read, more difficulties in write and maths.

Diagnostic at 11 years old. Pathogenic variant c.4961A>G (p.(Tyr1654Cys)) – exon 5.

♂, 3 years old. Bilateral cryptorchidism and left congenital hip dysplasia. Epilepsy since 9 months.

Father with similar phenotype (craniofacial and single palmar crease),

Phenotype → plagiocephaly, low front hair implementation, hypertelorism, brachydactyly, bilateral single palmar crease and sacrococcygeal malformation.

**GDD**, mainly **motor**. GDQ 83.1. Occupational therapy and inclusive education.

Initial suspicion of bone dysplasia → Skeletal dysplasia (531 gene WES-based NGS panel)

Diagnostic at 3 years old. Pathogenic variant in heterozygosity c.866dup p.(Tyr289) - exon 8.

KBG Syndrome is a rare genetic disorder, with only 150 cases described worldwise  $\rightarrow$  It seems to be underdiagnosed, a fact explaned by the great phenotypic variability, even between affected members of the same family. In our unit 4 cases of KBG Syndrome are followed, supporting the hypothesis that it is no underdiagnosed situation.

Although ASD expected to occur in 20% of patients, none of our patients is affected. Meanwhile, ADHD, described in 10% of these children, affects 2 of our patients.

Early diagnosis and intervention, according to the patient's neurodevelopmental and behavioral profile, are of paramount importance to the aim of improving both patients and family's quality of life, allowing also genetic counselling.