

Table 1 Clinical and genetic data of patients with X-linked lymphoproliferative syndrome

Patient ID	Age at diagnosis	Family history	Clinical presentation	Epstein-Barr virus status	IVIg	Outcome	Cause of death	Age at death or presence	<i>SH2D1A</i> mutation	SAP expression
1.1	12 yr	+	Hypo- γ , LPD	+	+	Dead	GVHD	12 yr	NE	NE
1.2	7 yr	+	Hypo- γ , LPD	+	+	Alive*		21 yr	Asp33Tyr	NE
2.1	3 yr	-	FIM	+	-	Dead	FIM	3 yr	Arg55stop	NE
3.1	2 yr	+	FIM	+	-	Dead	FIM	2 yr	Arg55stop	NE
3.2	2 yr	+	FIM	+	-	Dead	FIM	2 yr	Arg55stop	NE
4.1	2 yr	+	FIM	+	-	Dead	FIM	2 yr	416C>T, fs	NE
4.2	4 yr	+	ML, vasculitis, HLH	-	-	Dead	HLH (MOF)	14 yr	416C>T, fs	Deficient
5.1	1 yr	+	FIM	+	+	Dead	FIM	1 yr	del of whole gene	NE
6.1	1 yr	-	FIM	+	-	Dead	FIM	1 yr	Gly27Ser	NE
7.1	1 yr	+	Hypo- γ , aplastic anemia	+	+	Dead	Sepsis	1 yr	NE	NE
7.2	3 yr	+	Hypo- γ , vasculitis	-	+	Alive*		30 yr	His8Asp	Deficient
8.1	1 yr	-	FIM	+	+	Dead	FIM	1 yr	584delA, fs	NE
9.1	6 yr	+	Hypo- γ	+	+	Alive*		18 yr	Arg55stop	Deficient
9.2	6 months	+	FIM	+	+	Dead*	Sepsis	6 yr	Arg55stop	Deficient
10.1	4 yr	+	ML	+	-	Alive*		15 yr	Gly49Val	Deficient
10.2	0 months	+	Healthy	-	-	Alive*		4 yr	Gly49Val	Deficient
11.1	1 yr	+	FIM	+	+	Dead	FIM (MOF)	1 yr	del of exons 3, 4	NE
11.2	2 yr	+	FIM	+	+	Dead	FIM (MOF)	2 yr	del of exons 3, 4	Deficient
11.3	0 month	+	Healthy	-	+	Alive*		9 yr	del of exons 3, 4	Deficient
12.1	12 yr	+	Hypo- γ , ML	+	-	Dead	ML	12 yr	Ser34Gly	Deficient
12.2	10 yr	+	Hypo- γ	+	-	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Ser34Gly	Deficient
13.1	23 yr	-	FIM	+	-	Dead	FIM	23 yr	Tyr7Cys	Deficient
14.1	8 yr	-	Hypo- γ , ML	+	-	Alive*		16 yr	Arg55stop	Deficient
15.1	2 yr	-	FIM	+	-	Dead	FIM	2 yr	His8Asp	NE
16.1	10 yr	-	Hypo- γ , HLH	-	+	Alive*		17 yr	545insA, fs	Deficient
17.1	2 yr	+	FIM	+	-	Dead	FIM	2 yr	IVS2+1G>A	Deficient
17.2	2 yr	+	ADEM	-	-	Alive*		8 yr	IVS2+1G>A	Deficient
18.1	6 yr	-	Hypo- γ	+	+	Alive*		12 yr	312insG, fs	Deficient
19.1	10 months	+	Hypo- γ	+	+	Dead	DIC	10 months	NE	NE
19.2	1 yr	+	FIM	+	-	Dead		1 yr	NE	NE
19.3	3 yr	+	Hypo- γ , HLH, ML	+	+	Alive*		18 yr	del of exons 3, 4	Deficient
20.1	41 yr	-	FIM	+	-	Dead	FIM	42 yr	Ala3Ser	Deficient
21.1	3 yr	-	Encephalitis, LPD	+	-	Dead	Encephalitis	3 yr	538insA, fs	Deficient

Hypo- γ , hypogammaglobulinemia; LPD, lymphoproliferative disease; GVHD, graft versus host disease; FIM, fulminant infectious mononucleosis; HLH, hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis; MOF, multiple organ failure; ML, malignant lymphoma; ADEM, acute disseminated encephalomyelitis; DIC, disseminated intravascular coagulation; NE, not examined; fs, frameshift; del, deletion; ins, insertion.

P17.1 and 17.2 are monozygotic twins. Asterisk indicates the patients who underwent hematopoietic stem cell transplantation. P1.2, P2.1, P3.1, P3.2, P4.1, P5.1, P6.1, P7.2, P8.1, and P10.1 were described by Sumazaki et al. (14) P5.1 was described by Honda et al. (13) P9.1, P9.2, P11.1, P11.2, P11.3, P12.1, and P12.2 were described by Shinozaki et al. (11) P13.1 was described by Hoshino et al. (15) P16.1, P17.1, P17.2, P18.1, P19.3, and P20.1 were described by Zhao et al. (12). [Correction added on 10 April 2012, after first online publication: the *SH2D1A* mutation of P21.1 has been corrected.]

(Table 2) (2, 17). Lymphoid granulomatosis was not found in Japanese patients, but two patients have presented with systemic vasculitis (18). The vasculitis in these patients mainly affected the brain and was associated with encephalopathy. The mortality was different among clinical phenotypes, and the mortality of each phenotype in our study decreased from that in the XLP registry (2). However, in a recent worldwide study, the mortality associated with HLH decreased to 65%, lymphoproliferative disease to 8%, and dysgammaglobulinemia to 5% (16).

Hematopoietic stem cell transplantation is the only curative treatment for XLP-1. Twenty-one patients with XLP-1

did not undergo HSCT, and these patients died of the disease and complications. The outcome of one patient (P12.2) was unknown. Twelve patients underwent HSCT in Japan, and 11 patients survived. Most of the transplants were performed in different institutions, but the outcomes are similar to previously published data (9, 10, 17). This study revealed that unrelated donors could be used as donors as well as sibling donors. Although various types of conditioning regimen were performed, more than half included RIC regimen, and the result of RIC regimen is similar to that of myeloablative regimen. The RIC regimen should be performed for patients with XLP-1 to avoid regimen-related toxicity or morbidity (17). In

Table 2 Clinical phenotypes of patients with X-linked lymphoproliferative syndrome

Phenotype	Present study (33 cases)		Seemayer (272 cases) (2)		Booth (91 cases) (17)	
	Incidence	Mortality	Incidence	Mortality	Incidence	Mortality
FIM or HLH	18 (55%)	16/18 (89%)	157 (58%)	127/132 (96%)	35.2%	65.6%
ML or LPD	7 (21%)	3/7 (43%)	82 (30%)	46/71 (65%)	24.2%	9.0%
Hypogammaglobulinemia	12 (36%)	4/11 (36%)	84 (31%)	34/75 (45%)	50.5%	13.0%

FIM, fulminant infectious mononucleosis; HLH, hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis.

Table 3 Characteristics of HSCTs

Patient ID	Age at HSCT	Donor	Sources	Conditioning regimen	GVHD prophylaxis	Acute GVHD	Chronic GVHD	Outcome
1.2	7 yr	MSD (6/6)	PBSC	TBI/CY	CsA/sMTX	Grade I	Extensive	Alive (14 yr 8 months)
7.2	24 yr	MSD (6/6)	BM	BU/CY/ATG	CsA/sMTX	Grade II	Extensive	Alive (6 yr 6 months)
9.1	8 yr	MUD (6/6)	BM	BU/VP/CY	FK/sMTX	None	None	Alive (10 yr 6 months)
9.2	6 yr	mMFD (3/6)	BM	TBI 6Gy/BU 4 mg/kg	MMF/sMTX/mPSL	NE	NE	Dead (14 days)
10.1	4 yr	mMUD (5/6)	BM	BU/CY/AraC	FK/sMTX	Grade II	Extensive	Alive (11 yr 2 months)
10.2	1 yr	MUD (6/6)	BM	BU/TAI 3Gy/Flu/CY/ATG	FK/sMTX	None	None	Alive (3 yr 3 months)
11.3	8 months	mMUD (5/6)	PBSC	Flu/Mel/ATG/TAI 6Gy	FK/sMTX/mPSL	Grade II	None	Alive (9 yr 2 months)
14.1	10 yr	MUD (6/6)	BM	BU/CY	CsA/sMTX	Grade III	Limited	Alive (8 yr 2 months)
16.1	11 yr	mMUD (5/6)	BM	BU/TAI 3Gy/Flu/CY/ATG	FK/sMTX	None	None	Alive (5 yr 6 months)
17.2	3 yr	mMFD (4/6)	BM	Flu/Mel/TBI 3 Gy	FK/sMTX	Grade I	None	Alive (8 yr 10 months)
18.1	7 yr	MUD (6/6)	BM	Flu/Mel/TBI 3 Gy	FK/sMTX	None	Extensive	Alive (4 yr 7 months)
19.3	15 yr	MUD (6/6)	BM	Flu/Mel/TBI 3 Gy	FK/sMTX	None	None	Alive (3 yr 7 months)

MSD, matched sibling donor; MUD, matched unrelated donor; mMFD, mismatched familial donor; mMUD, mismatched unrelated donor; PBSC, peripheral blood stem cells; BM, bone marrow; TBI, total body irradiation; CY, cyclophosphamide; BU, busulfan; ATG, anti-thymoglobulin; VP, etoposide; Gy, gray; AraC, cytosine arabinoside; TAI, total abdominal irradiation; Flu, fludarabine; Mel, melphalan; GVHD, graft versus host disease; CsA, cyclosporine A; sMTX, short methotrexate; FK, tacrolimus; MMF, mycophenolate mofetil; mPSL, methylprednisolone; NE, not evaluated; HSCT, hematopoietic stem cell transplantation.

this study, two patients (P10.2 and P11.3) were diagnosed because of a family history and presented no clinical features of XLP. Their parents wanted them to undergo HSCT because of the poor prognosis of the disease. Although the decision to transplant a relatively well child has been more challenging, these patients underwent transplant and were free from chronic GVHD.

In conclusion, this study verified the clinical usefulness of a flow cytometric assessment of SAP to search for XLP-1 (SAP deficiency). Flow cytometric analysis of XIAP is also useful to detect patients with XLP-2 (7, 19, 20). A male with any of the clinical phenotypes of XLP with or without EBV infection should be initially examined with a flow cytometric assay to evaluate both SAP and XIAP (21). We also identified nine Japanese patients with XIAP deficiency with a combination of flow cytometry and genetic analysis (22). Needless to say, a mutation analysis is the gold standard for confirming a definite diagnosis. The outcome of patients with

XLP-1 seemed to be poor in Japan, and HSCT is the only curative treatment for patients with XLP-1.

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