Analysis of *de novo* & transmitted deletions in cleft case-parent trios

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Younkin et al. (2013) A genome-wide study of *de novo* deletions identifies a candidate locus for non-syndromic isolated cleft lip/palate risk (submitted)

- **PennCNV** *(Wang et al. 2007 Genome Res 11:1665)* is based on a hidden Markov model (HMM) that jointly models the copy number states in parent-child trios (father, mother, child) using maximum likelihood methods
  - Widely used, but computationally intensive

- **Minimum distance** *(Scharpf et al. 2012, BMC Bioinformatics 13:330)* is specific for *de novo* deletions because it focuses on the difference in probe intensity (*logR* ratio & *BAF*) between child & each parent
  - Less likely to call a false positive by design
  - Computationally faster
Comparing CL/P & control trios (all of European ancestry)

- 479 CL/P case-parent trios from International Cleft Consortium
- 391 control trios from Dr. Marazita’s study of dental caries
- Both studies genotyped on Illumina 660Quad chip at the Center for Inherited Disease Research (CIDR) as part of the GENEVA consortium
Detected *de novo* deletions in children

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The difference in counts of CNVs may reflect differences in DNA source between cases and controls

- More control samples came from buccal swabs/saliva which creates noisier intensity data
- PennCNV tends to identify more short CNVs when data are noisy
- Minimum Distance is less likely to call a false positive *de novo* deletion
Figure 1: The \(-\log_{10} p\)-values (y-axis) derived from testing associations of inferred de novo deletions and oral clefts, shown by chromosomal location (x-axis). Each point represents a de novo deletion CNV segment, delineated through *MinimumDistance* [43] (lower half) or *PennCNV* [42] (upper half). The dashed lines represent the genome-wide significance levels for a family-wise error rate of 5%, derived via permutation tests. The striped vertical bands indicate the 22 autosomes interrogated.
10 CL/P cases showed a *de novo* deletion with MinDist method, while 22 CL/P cases showed *de novo* deletion with PennCNV.
Log(R ratio) & B allele frequency for 7p14.1

- Identified carriers have reduced log(R ratio)
- This region contains a number of structural variants
Figure S1: We used quantitative real-time PCR to validate 3 apparent de novo hemizygous deletions inferred from the Illumina arrays. Boxplots are used to summarize the copy number estimates (y-axis) obtained from 10 TaqMan probes located within the putative de novo deletion site for 14 samples (a boxplot for each sample). The samples include a positive control with an apparent hemizygous deletion (far left), 3 HapMap negative controls presumed to be diploid (boxplots 2-5), and 3 case-parent trios. The copy number estimate for each TaqMan probe was obtained using the CopyCaller software (v2.0) provided by the manufacturer with sample 134111 (HapMap id NA07034, far left) to calibrate hemizygous deletions.
Preliminary results on transmitted CNVs in cleft and control trios

• Transmitted CNVs are based on PennCNV estimates

• All trios (Father, Mother, Child) were called for deletions over the genome

• A region harboring copy number polymorphisms (CNPs) on 8p11.23 showed possible over-transmission to children in these trios
Observed transmission rate (blue) & their 95% CI intervals (orange) for deletions in cleft case & control trios
95% CI for estimated transmission of deletions in cleft trios on 8p11.23
Possible issues with 8p11.23

• Sub-microscopic imbalances have been reported in this region
  – Associated with a range of phenotypic manifestations
• CNPs show different frequencies between parents of cleft cases and control parents
• The significance of the apparent over-transmission must be further explored
• Unequal recombination between these similar genes could also lead to apparent deletions in children
CNV calls from GWAS data on Facebase Hub

- PennCNV calls: submitted 6/7/12
- MinDist calls: submitted 2/8/13