Table 1. Clinical and demographic characteristics of OCD probands, their unaffected parents

 and controls

	OCD probands (n=34)	Unaffected parents (n=63)	Controls (n=85)
Male/female ^a	21/13	29/34	47/38
Age at interview (years) ^{b,c}	18.1 + 10.8	48.1 <u>+</u> 9.0	42.4 <u>+</u> 8.5
Age at onset of OCD (years) ^{b,d}	11.3 + 6.8	—	
Y-BOCS total score ^e	27.1 ± 5.8	—	

^a Non-significant differences among groups (Pearson $\chi^2 = 2.5$, df=2, p=0.3). ^b mean \pm SD. ^c ANOVA indicated a significant overall difference among groups (F =, df=, p<0.001). Post-hoc Sheffé tests indicated significant differences (p<0.05, two-tailed) between probands and their parents, between probands and controls, and between parents and controls. ^c Y-BOCS, Yale-Brown Obsessive Compulsive Scale

V158M	OCD probands	Unaffected Parents	Controls
genotype	(n=34)	(n=63)	(n=85)
VV	3 (9%)	19 (30%)	25 (30%)
VM	21 (61%)	30 (50%)	48 (56%)
MM	10 (30%)	14 (20%)	12 (14%)

 Table 2. COMT V158M genotypes in OCD patients, their unaffected parents and controls #

[#] non-significant differences among groups (Pearson χ^2 =8.7, df=4, p=0.08).