Table 3. Mutations of the EDNRB gene characterized in Waardenburg syndrome.

Exon	cDNA*	Protein	In original paper	Conservation#	Inheritance	Phenotype	Remarks	Origin	Reference
Exon 2	c.509G>A	p.Gly170Glu		+/+	?	WS4 in homozygotes	Consanguineous family?	Brazil	This paper
	c.509G>A	p.Gly170Glu		+/+	?	WS4 in heterozygotes or compound heterozygote	Patient also carries a p.Phe393Leu variation; it is unknown whether they are on the same or different alleles.		This paper
	c.548C>G	p.Ala183Gly	A183G	± / -	familial	WS4 in homozygotes	Consanguineous family	Tunisia	[Attie et al., 1995]
	c.556G>A	p.Gly186Arg		+/+	sporadic	WS4 in homozygotes	No known consanguinity; parents not tested.	Somalia	[Boardman et al., 2001]
	c.587G>A	p.Ser196Asn		+/+	sporadic	WS4 in homozygotes	No known consanguinity	Thailand	[Sangkhathat et al., 2005]
	c.587G>C	p.Ser196Thr		+/+	sporadic	WS4 in heterozygotes or compound heterozygote	Patient also carries a p.Val185Met variation (possibly polymorphic); it is unknown whether they are on the same or different alleles.		This paper
Exon 3	c.601C>T	p.Arg201X	R201X		familial	WS4 / ABCD in homozygotes	Consanguineous family	Turkey	[Verheij et al., 2002]
	c.601C>T	p.Arg201X			sporadic	WS4 in homozygotes	Consanguineous family	Pakistan	This paper
	c.605C>A	p.Ala202Asp		+/+	familial	WS4 without deafness in heterozygotes		Italy	This paper
	c.757C>T	p.Arg253X	Arg253→Stop		familial	WS4 in heterozygotes		Caribbean	[Syrris et al., 1999]
	c.778G>T §	p.Val260Phe §		-/-	familial	WS4 in heterozygotes or compound heterozygote; depigmentation in father	Patient also carries a p.Glu359X mutation; it is unknown whether they are on the same or different alleles.		This paper
Exon 4	c.809delA	p.Lys270ArgfsX26			familial	WS4 in heterozygotes		Italy	This paper
	c.828G>T	p.Trp276Cys	W276C	+/+	familial	WS4 in homozygotes; ±HD in heterozygotes	Very large inbred family over several generations; penetrance is incomplete even in homozygotes	American (Mennonite)	[Puffenberger et al., 1994]
	c.874T>C	p.Phe292Leu	F292L	+/+	familial	WS4 in heterozygotes			[Pingault et al., 2002]
	c.890C>A	p.Thr297Asn		±/+	sporadic	WS4 in homozygotes	Consanguineous family		This paper
Exon 5	c.1008G>A	p.Trp336X			sporadic	WS4 in compound heterozygote	Patient carries a full gene deletion on the second allele		This paper
	c.1025G>T	p.Ser342Ile		+/+	sporadic	WS4 in homozygotes	Consanguineous family	Lebanon	This paper
	c.1047_1050del TTAT	p.Tyr350IlefsX11			familial	WS4 in homozygotes; ±isolated depigmentations in relatives		Lebanon	This paper
	c.1075G>T	p.Glu359X			familial	WS4 in heterozygotes or compound heterozygote	Patient also carries a p.Val260Phe <sup>§</sup> variation; it is unknown whether they are on the same or different alleles.		This paper
Exon 6	c.1163delT	p.Leu388TrpfsX2			familial	WS2 in heterozygotes			This paper
	c.1177T>C	p.Phe393Leu		+/+	?	WS4 in heterozygotes or compound heterozygote	Patient also carries a p.Gly170Glu variation; it is unknown whether they are on the same or different alleles.		This paper

Non synonymous polymorphisms as reported in literature and in dbSNP (when confirmed in at least one control population):

Exon 1 c.13C>A p.Pro5Thr -/

rs12720160 in dbSNP frequency 0.00 to 0.006

	c.20T>A	p.Leu7Gln		-/	rs5345 in dbSNP frequency 0.00 to 0.05		
	c.49C>T	p.Leu17Phe		-/	rs5346 in dbSNP frequency 0.00 to 0.05		
	c.169G>A	p.Gly57Ser	G57S	-/	rs1801710 in dbSNP frequency 0.00 to 0.08		[Hofstra et al., 1996]
	c.178G>A	p.Ala60Thr	178G/A	-/	Found in 3 HD patients and 1 control	South Africa	[Zaahl et al., 2003]
	c.227G>T	p.Arg76Met		-/	rs2228271 in dbSNP frequency 0.00 to 0.06		
	c.334T>G	p.Phe112Val		+/+	rs5347 in dbSNP frequency 0.00 to 0.05		
Exon 2	c.553G>A	p.Val185Met	V185M	+/+	found in several HD patients and 1 control	China	[Garcia-Barcelo et al., 2004]
Exon 3	c.731C>T	Thr244Met		±/-	rs5350 in dbSNP frequency 0.00 to 0.05		
Exon 4	c.914G>A	p.Ser305Asn	S305N	-/-	rs5352 in dbSNP frequency 0.00 to 0.06		[Auricchio et al., 1996]

<sup>\*</sup>cDNA nucleotide numbering with +1 as the A of the initiation codon in the reference sequence NM\_000115.2.

\*Conservation refers to: amino-acid conservation among species / amino-acid conservation between human ETB and ETA (note that the N-terminal extracellular domain, encoded by exon 1, is not aligned between ETB and ETA). It is indicated only for missense variations.

The p.Val260Phe variation has been found in a patient and not characterized so far in controls to our knowledge. However the Val260 is not conserved and is replaced by a Phe in several species, making its pathogenicity especially unclear.

ABCD = Albinism, black lock, cell migration disorder of the neurocytes of the gut, deafness; HD = Hirschsprung disease.