

Supplemental Methods.

Genetic analysis

Prior to this study, all patients had been screened for variants or expansions of known ALS-associated genes.^{1, 2} The remaining 43 families with FALS and 445 patients with SALS not carrying causative variants were enrolled in this study. Whole-genome sequence was performed for the proband (pedigree1, III-3) using Illumina TruSeq DNA PCR-free library kits resulting in paired-end 150 bp reads on NovaSeq6000 sequencer (Macrogen). Whole-exome sequence analysis was performed according to a previously established workflow.¹ No repeat expansion mutation in *C9ORF72* was detected by repeat-primed PCR analysis in these patients.

Sphingolipid measurements.

The internal standard materials, purchased from Avanti Polar Lipids (Alabaster, AL, USA) for sphingolipid analysis, comprised the internal standard mixture (ceramide/sphingoid internal standard mixture I), D-erythro-sphinganine-d7, D-erythrosphingosine-d7, D-erythro-sphingosine-d7-1-phosphate, 1-deoxy-sphinganine-d3 (m18:0), 1-deoxymethyl-sphinganine-d5 (m17:0), N-lauroyl-dihydroceramide (C12DHCer), N-C12-1-deoxy-dihydroceramide (C12doxDHCer), N-C12-1-deoxyceramide (C12doxCer), N-C12-1-deoxymethyl-dihydroceramide (C12doxmeDHCer), and N-C12-1-deoxymethyl-ceramide (C12doxmeCer). For the lipid extraction and analysis, 300 µl of cold water was mixed with 100 µl of each plasma sample. After adding 1.5 ml of chloroform/methanol (1:2, v/v), the internal standard mixture was added to the homogenate and incubated at 48 °C overnight. After adding 150 µl of 1 M potassium hydroxide in methanol, the mixture was incubated for 2 h at 37 °C, and then neutralized by adding glacial acetic acid. For the analysis of base-form sphingolipids (sphingoid base: sphinganine [SA], sphingosine [SO], sphingosine-1phosphate [S1P], 1-

deoxy-sphinganine [deoxy SA], 1-deoxy-sphingosine [deoxy SO], 1-deoxymethyl-sphinganine [deoxymethyl SA], and 1-deoxymethyl-sphingosine [deoxymethyl SO]), samples were centrifuged at $1,500 \times g$ for 10 min to obtain the supernatant. The residue was re-extracted with 1 ml of chloroform/methanol (2:1, v/v) and centrifuged at $1,500 \times g$ for 10 min. Both supernatants were then combined for further analysis. For the analysis of fatty-acid-acylated-form sphingolipids (dihydroceramide [DHCer], ceramide [Cer], 1-deoxy-dihydroceramide [deoxy DHCer], 1-deoxy-ceramide [deoxy Cer], 1-deoxymethyl-dihydroceramide [deoxymethyl DHCer], 1-deoxymethyl-ceramide [deoxymethyl Cer], lactosylceramide [LacCer], hexosylceramide [HexCer] and sphingomyelin [SM]), 1 ml of chloroform and 2 ml of water were added to the samples; the samples were vortexed well and centrifuged at $1,500 \times g$ rpm for 10 min to obtain a two-phase system, the aqueous top phase and the organic bottom phase, from which the lipids were extracted. The top phase was re-extracted with 1 ml of chloroform and centrifuged at $1,500 \times g$ for 10 min, after which the organic phases were combined. These lipid extracts were dried under an N₂ stream and stored at -20 °C until further use. The dried residue was dissolved in the mobile phase solvent immediately before LC-ESIMS/MS analysis using the Nexera X2 HPLC system (Shimadzu, Kyoto, Japan) and QTRAP 4500 (AB SCIEX, Framingham, MA, USA).

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Supplemental Table 1. Primers and probes for the analysis using direct nucleotide sequence, cDNA and droplet digital PCR.

Primer/probe name	Sequences	Primer/Probe length
Direct nucleotide sequence analysis		
SPTLC1_ex2_F	5'-GAGCCACCACAAATCCTTTC	20
SPTLC1_ex2_R	5'-GTGAGGGAGAAATTGCCTGC	20
cDNA analysis		
SPTLC1_cDNA_F	5'-AGTGGGTTCTGGTGGAGATG	20
SPTLC1_cDNA_R	5'-CCCCACGCCATACTTCTTTAG	21
ddPCR analysis		
SPTLC1_ddPCR_F	5'-TCCAGAGGATCAGAATCC	18
SPTLC1_ddPCR_R	5'-GGTGTTAGAAGTGTATGTTTC	21
wtSPTLC1_probe	5'-(5HEX) ACTCTTAGGCTCCTGCT	17
mSPTLC1_probe	5'-(56-FAM) CACTCTTAGACTCCTGCT	18

cDNA, complementary DNA; ddPCR, droplet digital PCR.

Supplemental Table 2. In-silico prediction of damage of this variant.

Analysis	Score	Prediction
CADD	26.9 (PHRED)	Damaging
M-CAP	0.067	Possibly pathogenic
FATHMM	-3.51	Damaging

CADD, Combined Annotation Dependent Depletion; FATHMM, Functional, Molecular and Phenotypic Consequences of Amino Acid Substitutions Using Hidden Markov Models; M-CAP, Mendelian Clinically Applicable Pathogenicity.

Supplemental Table 3. Lipid analysis of the plasma samples from pedigree 1.

Base form sphingolipids (pmol/100µL plasma)															
	d18:0 SA			d18:1 SO			d18:1 S1P			d20:1 S1P			deoxy SA		
II-1	0.616	±	0.034	2.146	±	0.095	116.3	±	5.52	1.137	±	0.070	0.043	±	0.003
II-4	0.984	±	0.047	2.941	±	0.047	131.4	±	4.00	1.055	±	0.079	0.077	±	0.012
III-3	3.043	±	0.207	4.023	±	0.162	222.4	±	28.94	1.288	±	0.104	0.065	±	0.005

Fatty-acid acetylated forms (pmol/100µL plasma)															
	Cer			C24:1 Cer			DHCer			LacCer			HexCer		
II-1	1125.9	±	68.4	206.3	±	20.5	140.7	±	17.7	356.5	±	11.7	1431.6	±	223.7
II-4	1106.2	±	99.9	190.4	±	11.2	256.7	±	20.0	299.8	±	31.2	1200.9	±	239.5
III-3	1597.0	±	176.1	408.9	±	39.7	267.9	±	14.7	342.8	±	27.9	1748.0	±	105.0

Deoxysphingolipids, fatty-acid acetylated forms (pmol/100µL plasma)															
	deoxy Cer			deoxymethyl Cer			deoxy DHCer			deoxymethyl DHCer					
II-1	3.108	±	0.108	1.905	±	0.092	9.662	±	0.507	0.208	±	0.012			
II-4	3.126	±	0.164	1.763	±	0.127	16.779	±	0.310	0.274	±	0.013			
III-3	1.600	±	0.009	2.242	±	0.144	9.114	±	0.356	0.461	±	0.011			

* d20:0SA, d20:1SO, deoxymethylSO, deoxySO were not detected in any of the samples.

SA, sphinganine; SO, sphingosine; S1P, sphingosine-1-phosphate; deoxy SA, 1-deoxy-sphinganine; deoxymethyl SA, 1-deoxymethyl-sphinganine; Cer, ceramide; DHCer, dihydroceramide; LacCer, lactosylceramide; HexCer, hexosylceramide; SM, sphingomyelin; deoxy Cer, 1-deoxy-ceramide; deoxymethyl Cer, 1-deoxymethyl-ceramide; deoxy DHCer, 1-deoxy-dihydroceramide; deoxymethyl DHCer, 1-deoxymethyl-dihydroceramide.

Supplemental Table 4. In-silico prediction of the effect on splicing.

Analysis	WT	c.58G>A	c.58G>T
NNSplice	0.92	0.86	0.71
Splice AI (acceptor loss)	-	0.01	0.15
MaxEnt Scan	6.9	6.14	5.32
Alternative Splice Site Predictor	5.816	4.765	3.599