

# Dermatology Boards Fodder: Genes to Know

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The purpose of this column is to alert dermatology residents to areas that are considered “high yield” for the mock and real boards in dermatology. This installment identifies commonly asked and highly askable factoids relating to genetic inheritance of diseases.

| DISEASE  | PATTERN | GENE   | GENE FUNCTION   |
|--|---------|--|---|
| Atrichia with Papules ‘Alopecia Universalis’                         | AR      | (HR) HAIRLESS GENE   | Zinc Finger   |
| Oculocutaneous Albinism I  | AR      | TYROSINASE   | Melanin Pathway   |
| Oculocutaneous Albinism II   | AR      | P GENE   | Unknown   |
| Oculocutaneous Albinism III (Rufuos)                                 | AR      | (TRP1) TYROSINE RELATED PROTEIN  | Stabilizes Tyrosinase   |
| Alkaptonuria   | AR      | HOMOGENTISIC ACID OXIDASE  | Phenylalanine & Tyrosine Breakdown Pathway  |
| Hereditary Angioedema (Quinke’s)                                     | AD      | (C1INH) C1 ESTERASE INHIBITOR  | Inhibits first component of complement  |
| Ataxia-Telangiectasia (Louis Bar)                                    | AR      | ATM  | PI3-kinase like domain  |
| Baere-Stevenson Syndrome   |         | (FGFr2) FGF RECEPTOR 2   |   |
| Bannayan-Riley-Ruvalcaba   | AD      | PTEN   | Tumor Suppressor  |
| Bart’s Syndrome  | AD      | (COL7A1) TYPE VII COLLAGEN   | Anchoring Fibril  |
| Gorlin Syndrom<br>(Nevoid Basal Cell Carcinoma Syndrome)             | AR      | (PTCH) PATCHED   | Inhibits “SMOOTHENED” signalling, this inhibition blocked by “HEDGEHOG”                       |
| Bloom’s Syndrome   | AR      | (BLM) (RECQL3)   | DNA helicase  |
| Bruton’s Agammaglobulinemia  | XLR     | (BTK GENE)   | Tyrosine Kinase   |
| Bullous Ichthyosiform Erythroderma<br>(Epidermolytic Hyperkeratosis) | AD      | KERATINS 1 & 10  | Intermediate filament   |
| Carney Complex (LAMB, NAME)  | AD      | (PRKAR1A)  | Regulatory Subunit of Protein Kinase A  |
| Chediak-Higashi Syndrome   | AR      | LYST   | Lysosomal Transport   |
| CHILD Syndrome   | XLD     | (EBP GENE) EMOPAMIL BINDING PROTEIN                                    | Sterol Isomerase  |
| Chronic Granulomatous Disease of Childhood<br>(mostly)               | XLR     | CYTOCHROME B   | NADPH-OXIDASE complex component (Respiratory Burst) needed to kill catalase positive bacteria |
| Citrullinemia  | AD      | ARGINOSUCCINATE SYTHETASE  | Enzyme in urea cycle  |
| Cockayne’s Syndrome  | AR      | (CKN1) (ERCC6) XPB DNA HELICASE  | DNA Helicase  |
| Conradi-Hünemann Syndrome  | XLD     | (EBP)  | Sterol Isomerase  |
|  | AR      | (PEX7)   | Peroxisomal gene  |
| Cowden’s Syndrome (Multiple Hamartoma Syndrome)                      | AD      | (PTEN)   | Tumor Suppressor  |
| Darrier-White Disease (Keratosis Follicularis)                       | AD      | (SERCA2) CALCIUM ATPase2A2   | Calcium Dependent ATPase  |
| Dyskeratosis Congenita   | XLR     | DYSKERIN   | Ribosome Assembly Chaperone   |
|  | AD      | (TERC) TELOMERASE, RNA COMPONENT                                       | Telomerase RNA Component  |
| Dominant Dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa<br>GABEB                   | AD      | (Col7A1) Type VII COLLAGEN<br>(BPAg2) COLLAGEN XVII<br>(LAMB3) LAMININ | Anchoring Fibril<br>Structural Protein  |
| Junctional EB with Pyloric Atresia                                   | AR      | INTEGRIN $\alpha 6, b4$  | Structural  |
| Junctional EB (EB Letalis, HERLITZ)                                  | AR      | LAMININ 5  | Structural  |
| EBS  | AD      | KERATINS 5 & 14  | Intermediate filament   |
| EBS with Myotonic Dystrophy  | AR      | PLECTIN  | Structural  |
| Hidrotic Ectodermal Dysplasia (Clouston’s)                           | AD      | CONNEXIN 30  | Gap Junction Protein  |
| Ectodermal Dysplasia with Skin Fragility                             | AD      | PLAKOPHILIN 1  | Structural  |
| Ectod. Dyspl., Hypohidrotic<br>(Christ-Seimens-Touraine Syndrome)    | XLR     | ECTODYSPLASIN  |   |
| Erythrokeratoderma Variabilis (EKV)                                  | AD      | CONNEXIN 31  | Gap Junction Protein  |
| Fabry’s Disease (Angiokeratoma Corporis Diffusum)                    | XLR     | ALPHA-GALACTOSIDASE A  | Hydrolyzes Glycolipids and Glycoproteins  |
| Familial Mediterranean Fever   | AR      | (MEFV) MARENSTRIN  | PMN inhibitor   |
| Farber’s Disease (Lipogranulomatosis)                                | AR      | ACID CERAMIDASE  | Deficiency Leads to CERAMIDE ACCUMULATION   |
| Gardner’s Syndrome   | AD      | (APC)  | Cleaves $\beta$ -Catenin  |
| Gaucher’s Disease  | AR      | $\beta$ -GLUCOCEREBROSIDASE  |   |
| Griscelli Syndrome   | AR      | (MTO5a) MYOSIN-Va  | Melanosome Transport To Keratinocytes   |
| Hailey-Hailey Disease  | AD      | (ATPase2C1)  | Calcium Dependent ATPase  |
| Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia<br>(Osler-Weber-Rendu)         | AD      | ENDOGLIN<br>ALK-1 GENE ACTIVIN RECEPTOR BINDING KINASE                 | TGF- $\beta$ Binding Protein<br>TGF- $\beta$ Receptor   |

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| Homocystinuria                                   | AR      | CYSTATHIONE SYNTHETASE   | Condensation of Homocysteine & Serine                   |
| Hunter's Syndrome                                | XLR     | IDURONATE SULFATASE  |   |
| Hurler's Syndrome                                | AR      | ALPHA-L-URONIDASE  |   |
| Ichthyosis, Lamellar                             | AR      | TRANSGLUTAMINASE-1   |   |
| Ichthyosis, X-Linked                             | XLR     | ARYL SULFATASE C   | Steroid Sulfatase                                       |
| Incontinentia Pigmenti                           | XLD     | (NEMO) NF- $\kappa$ B essential modulator                              | Transcription Factor                                    |
| Lesch-Nyhan Syndrome                             | XLR     | (HGPRT)  | Purine Salvage Pathway Enzyme                           |
| Lhermite-Duclos Syndrome                         | AR      | (PTEN)   | Tumor Suppressor  |
| McCune-Albright Syndrome                         | None    | (Gs- $\alpha$ )  | Stimulates G protein increasing cAMP                    |
| MEN I  | AD      | (MEN1) MENIN GENE  | Binds nuclear junD                                      |
| MEN IIa and IIb                                  | AD      | (RET) RECEPTOR TYROSINE KINASE   | Proto-oncogene  |
| Menke's Kinky Hair Syndrome                      | XLR     | MNK  | Copper Transporting ATPase                              |
| Milroy's Disease (Nonne-Milroy-Meige Syndrome)   | AD      | (FLT-4) a.k.a (VEGFr-3)  | Growth factor receptor                                  |
| Monilethrix                                      | AD      | KRT hHb6 & hHb1 Type II<br>HUMAN HAIR KERATINS 6 & 1                   | Intermediate filament                                   |
| Muir-Torre Syndrome                              | AD      | (hMSH2)  | Mismatch repair gene                                    |
| Nail-Patella Syndrome                            | AD      | LMX1B GENE   | Homeobox domain transcripton factor                     |
| Naxos Disease                                    | AD      | JUNCTIONAL PLAKOGLOBIN<br>KERATIN 9                                    | Structural Protein<br>Intermediate Filament             |
| Neimann-Pick Disease                             | AR      | SPHYNGOMYELINASE   |   |
| Netherton's Syndrome                             | AR      | SPINK5 Gene  | Serine protease inhibitor                               |
| Neurofibromatosis I                              | AD      | NF-1 (Neurofibromin)   | Increases GTPase activity of ras                        |
| Neurofibromatosis II                             | AD      | NF-2 (Schwannomin or Merlin)   |   |
| Pachyonychia Congenita                           | AD/AR   | K6, K16, or K17  | Intermediate filament                                   |
| Papillon-Lefevre Syndrome                        | AR      | CATHEPSIN C  | Lysosomal protease                                      |
| Peutz-Jeghers Syndrome                           | AD      | STK11  | Tumor suppressor  |
| Phenylketonuria                                  | AR      | PHENYLALANINE HYDROXYLASE  |   |
| PIBIDS   | AR      | (XPD) (TFIIH) XERODERMA PIGMENTOSA D                                   | DNA helicase  |
| Piebaldism                                       | AD      | (C-kit)  | Proto-oncogene (tyrosine kinase)                        |
| Porphyria Cutanea Tarda                          | AD      | UROPORPHYRINOGEN DECARBOXYLASE   |   |
| Porphyria, Acute Intermittent                    | AD      | PORPHOBILINOGEN DEAMINASE  |   |
| Porphyria, Congenital Erythropoietic (GUNTHER'S) | AR      | UROPORHYRINOGEN III COSYNTASE  |   |
| Porphyria, Hereditary Coproporphyria             | AD      | COPROPORHYRINOGEN OXIDASE  | Mitochondrial Gene                                      |
| Porphyria, Erythropoietic Protoporphyria (EPP)   | AD/AR   | FERROCHELATASE   | Mitochondrial Gene                                      |
| Porphyria, Variegata                             | AD      | PROTOPORPHYRINOGEN OXIDASE   | Mitochondrial Gene                                      |
| Refsum Syndrome                                  | AR      | PHYTANOYL Co-A HYDROXYLASE   |   |
| Richner-Hanhart Syndrome                         | AR      | TYROSINE AMINOTRANSFERASE  |   |
| Rothman-Thompson (Poikiloderma Congenital)       | AR      | (RECQL4) DNA HELICASE  | DNA helicase  |
| Rubenstein-Taybi Syndrome                        | AD      | (CBP) CREB-BINDING PROTEIN   | Involved in cAMP regulated gene expression              |
| SCID Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease    | AR      | (ADA) ADENOSINE DEAMINASE  |   |
|  | XLR     | II-2 RECEPTOR  |   |
| Bullous Ichthyosis of Siemens                    | AD      | KERATIN 2e   | Intermediate filament                                   |
| Sjögren-Larsson Syndrome                         | AR      | FATTY ALDEHYDE DEHYDROGENASE   |   |
| Striate PPK 1                                    | AD      | DESMOGLEIN-1   | Structural Protein                                      |
| Striate PPK 2                                    | AD      | DESMOPLAKIN  | Structural Protein                                      |
| Takahara's Disease                               | AR      | CATALASE   | Bacterial Defense                                       |
| Tangier Disease                                  | AR      | (CERP)   | Cholesterol efflux regulatory protein                   |
| Tuberous Sclerosis                               | AD      | (TSC1) on Chrom. #9 HAMARTIN GENE<br>(TSC2) on Chrom. #16 TUBERIN GENE | GTPase activating protein domain                        |
| Vohwinkel's                                      | AD      | LORICRIN GENE  | Structural  |
| Vohwinkel's with deafness                        | AD      | CONNEXIN 26  | Gap Junction Protein                                    |
| Vorner's Syndrome                                | AD      | KERATIN 9  | Intermediate filament                                   |
| Waardenburg's Syndrome                           | AD      | (PAX3)<br>(MITF) (EDN3/SOX10)-with Hirschprung's                       | Transcription factor<br>Transcription factor Endothelin |
| Werner's Syndrome                                | AR      | (WRN) (ERCC) (XPB, D, and G)   | DNA helicase  |
| White Sponge Nevus                               | AD      | KERATIN 4 & 13   | Intermediate filament                                   |
| Wiskott-Aldrich Syndrome                         | XLR     | (WASP) (sialoglycoprotein)   | Binds GTPase & Actin                                    |