An Association and Haplotype Analysis of Porcine Maternal Infanticide: A Model for Human Puerperal Psychosis?

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An association analysis using the Illumina porcine SNP60 beadchip was performed to identify SNPs significantly associated with porcine maternal infanticide. We previously hypothesised that this was a good animal model for human puerperal psychosis, an extreme form of postnatal mood disorder. Animals were selected from carefully phenotyped unrelated infanticide and control groups (representing extremes of the phenotypic spectrum), from four different lines. Permutation and sliding window analyses and an analysis to see which haplotypes were in linkage disequilibrium (LD) were compared to identify concordant regions. Across all analyses, intervals on SSCs 1, 3, 4, 10, and 13 were constant, contained genes associated with psychiatric or neurological disorders and were significant in multiple lines. The strongest (near GWS) consistent candidate region across all analyses and all breeds was the one located on SSC3 with one peak at 23.4 Mb, syntenic to a candidate region for bipolar disorder and another at 31.9 Mb, syntenic to a candidate region for human puerperal psychosis (16p13). From the haplotype/LD analysis, two regions reached genome wide significance (GWS): the first on SSC4 (KHDRBS3 to FAM135B), which was significant (-logP 5.57) in one Duroc based breed and is syntenic to a region in humans associated with cognition and neurotism; the second on SSC15, which was significant (-log10P 5.68) in two breeds and contained PAX3, which is expressed in the brain. © 2012 Wiley Periodicals, Inc.

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INTRODUCTION

Porcine infanticide is defined in this study as pigs who attack and kill their newborn offspring within 24 hr of birth, by biting them to death [Knap and Merks, 1987; Van der Steen et al., 1988]. This is in contrast to normal porcine behaviour after giving birth, which is characterized by passivity, general unresponsiveness to piglets and lateral lying to allow maximum access to teats [Jarvis et al., 1999]. Large surveys of commercial pig farms looking at maternal infanticide in gilts (primiparous) have reported the incidence to vary **How to Cite this Article:** Quilter CR, Sargent CA, Bauer J, Bagga M, Reiter C, Hutchinson E, Southwood O, Evans G, Mileham A, Griffin DK, Affara NA. 2012. An Association and Haplotype Analysis of Porcine Maternal Infanticide: A Model for Human Puerperal Psychosis?

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between 0.6% and 12% [Knap and Merks, 1987; Van der Steen et al., 1988; Harris and Gonyou, 2003]. Some studies have also included sows; Chen et al. [2008] observed that infanticide was present in 12.8% of gilts, which reduced to 7.5% and 4.5% in their 2nd and 3rd parities respectively.

There are several factors, which may contribute to porcine infanticide, including farm environment [Jarvis et al., 1999, 2004; Ahlström et al., 2002], previous maternal experience [Van der Steen et al., 1988; Chen et al., 2008] and a strong heritable component [Knap and Merks, 1987; Van der Steen et al., 1988]. Therefore, a genetic predisposition to aggressive infanticide clearly exists, which is ameliorated by experience but may also be influenced by the environment. Chen et al. [2008] observed that sows prone to infanticide may be more restless before giving birth compared to those who are not at risk but in general it is difficult

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to predict which animals are likely to exhibit this undesirable behavior.

Puerperal psychosis is a severe form of post-natal mood disorders, which includes symptoms of mania and depression and psychotic symptoms such as delusions and hallucinations. It is related to, and may even be a subset of, bipolar disorder (BP; manic depression) [Jones and Craddock, 2002]. A recent linkage study investigating bipolar affective puerperal psychosis in humans found genome wide significant linkage on 16p13 and genome wide suggestive linkage on 8q24 [Jones et al., 2007]. In addition, Mahon et al. [2009] fine mapped their best regions from an initial linkage study in humans and found single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) associated with increased susceptibility to postpartum mood symptoms on chromosomes 1q21.1-q32.1 and 9p24.3p22.3.

On the basis of previous mapping and gene expression studies we have proposed that porcine maternal infanticide may be a good animal model for human postnatal illness, and mood disorders [Quilter et al., 2007, 2008]. Our affected sib pair whole genome linkage analysis, identified 4 QTL mapping on *Sus scrofa* chromosomes 2 (SSC2), 10 (SSC10) and two on the X (SSCX). Two regions on SSC1 were noted but not reported because they did not quite reach significance (Quilter, unpublished). A larger study by Chen et al. [2009] on a Chinese F2 resource population also identified QTL on SSC2 and SSCX, in addition to QTL on SSC6, SSC14 and SSC15. In a parallel microarray study of gene expression in hypothalamus samples from nine matched pairs of infanticide versus control animals, we identified 129 differentially expressed genes, some of which were common to our microsatellite screen [Quilter et al., 2008].

The aim of this current study was to confirm and refine QTL identified by our previous work and studies reported by others [Chen et al., 2009], with the intention of providing further data to support the hypothesis that this behavior in pigs is a good animal model for postnatal mood disorders in humans. An association study was carried out using the Illumina Porcine SNP60 BeadChip (http://www.illumina.com/pages.ilmn?ID=320). This chip contains >60,000 single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs), providing markers at an estimate of one marker per 40 kb across the pig genome (see Ramos et al. [2009], allowing many extensive studies to be carried out in the pig. Our samples were collected from unrelated populations of infanticide and control animals (representing extremes of the phenotypic spectrum) for four commercially important breeds. The greater resolution of this array

not only allowed us to assess our previous work and that of others but also identified new candidate regions and genes that may contribute to the phenotype, in particular chromosome intervals syntenic with regions of the human genome showing significant association with BP and puerperal psychosis.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Animals

The Pig Improvement Company (PIC), which is part of Genus provided the animals used in this study. Animals with maternal infanticide were classified as mothers, that killed at least one of their offspring by biting them to death, within 24 hr of birth. Animals were selected from four different lines (B, C, D, H), which were the same lines with the largest number of sib pairs, used in our previous study [Quilter et al., 2007] (Table I). (A line is a closed commercial breeding population, which may be derived from a single pure breed or crosses between breeds: a breed is a closed pure breeding population which has distinct phenotypic features). For each line, samples were collected from unrelated individuals of carefully phenotyped infanticide and control animals (representing extremes of the phenotypic spectrum).

Even though our animals were selected from closed lines, from unrelated populations, there is still likely to be more genetic relatedness between animals than in human cohorts. Therefore, as the background will have less genetic variation in our animals, any mutation detected is more likely to have a phenotypic association. Significant results can therefore be obtained with fewer animals than the numbers required for human studies.

Pigs were housed in farrowing crates under the same conditions to our previous QTL study (small pens 1.5–2.5 m in length depending on weight of pig, where sows are restricted by bars to prevent crushing of piglets) and were obtained from three different farms. The incidence of aggression for each line was line B 4.8%; line C 5.9%; line D 10.8%; line H 10.3% (2008–2010).

Genotyping

DNA isolation. Genomic DNA was provided by PIC and extracted from porcine ear and tail tissue using commercial kits (Qiagen, Crawley, UK). DNA was quantified by PIC using picogreen [Ahn et al., 1996].

TABLE I. The Genetic Background of Each Line, Corresponding Line Reference in Quilter et al. [2007] and Numbers Collected for This Study, Before and After QC

Sowline	Total numbers infanticide	Total numbers controls	Infanticide passed QC	Controls passed QC	Breed	Quilter et al. [2007]
В	57	55	53	51	Landrace (LR)	В
С	45	45	44	43	Large White (LW)	С
D	53	52	51	50	$\overline{Duroc} \times LR$	D
Н	70	70	69	66	$Duroc\timesLW$	Н

Porcine SNP60 BeadChip. Samples were hybridized to the Illumina Porcine SNP60 BeadChip according to the manufacturer's instructions using the Infinium HD assay Ultra protocol (http://www.illumina.com). The BeadChips were scanned using an iScan (Illumina) and an AutoLoader2 (Illumina). The BeadStudio v.3 software (Illumina Corp.) was used for calculating call- and conflict-rates. The SNP sequences were run through BLAST (http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/BLAST/) in order to match to genes and/or the SNP position as entered into the pig ensemble database (http://www.ensembl.org/index.html), to see which genes were present at that location. Where no genes were present in the pig, the syntenic human region was compared. To date this has been in accordance with ensemble (http://www.ensembl.org/index.html), which uses the pig genome assembly version 9 (Sscrofa9) and verified with NCBI (Sscrofa 10) confirming that markers are in the same order. Gene ontologies were determined using The National Centre for Biotechnology Information (NCBI; http:// www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/) and The Database for Annotation, Visualization and Integrated Discovery (DAVID) v6.7 (http://david. abcc.ncifcrf.gov/).

Statistical Analysis

All data sets were analysed by PLINK (http://pngu.mgh.harvard. edu/~purcell/plink/). PLINK is a free, open-source whole genome association analysis toolset, designed to perform a range of basic, large-scale analyses in a computationally efficient manner. An in house pipeline was developed to prepare data from the array for use in PLINK. A quality control (QC) was performed on all the chips and removed any SNPs which failed to be called on >95% of the samples, it also removed any samples that failed to give interpretable results for >95% of SNPs. Criteria thresholds used for filtering (QC):

- max per sample missing: 0.04 (call rate)
- max per genotype missing: 0.04 (SNP call rate)
- minor allele frequency (MAF): 0.01
- Hardy Weinberg equilibrium: P > 0.00001

Illumina Porcine SNP60 BeadChip genotyping was obtained for 427 animals after QC. Of the SNPs with a MAF > 0.01, \sim 50 K SNPs were retained for analysis. An association analysis was carried out for each line, on our population of unrelated samples (Table I) and from lines D and H additional samples representing sib pairs (Dsp 48 pairs, Hsp 31 pairs) were also selected for a sib-pair analysis. SNPs at a 5% confidence level were considered significant and after applying the Bonferroni correction for multiple testing (0.05/50 K), a threshold P value $\le 1 \times 10^{-6}$ ($-\log 10P > 6$) was used to identify associations unlikely to have occurred by chance. This approach was used to identify significant individual SNPs associated with maternal infanticide. A Bonferroni correction should provide more stringent criteria than other correction methods. In addition, a sliding window association analysis was also carried out on our sample population. This examined windows of three consecutive SNPs across the length of the array, that is, this approach looked for the significance of groups of SNPs associated with maternal infanticide. It was carried out separately for each line as combining lines may have led to a population stratification problem.

Two types of permutation analyses to test different models of the data and determine the most robust association intervals were run: (1) an adaptive permutation approach identifies SNPs that are clearly going to be non-significant more quickly than SNPs that look interesting. This was performed to see which SNPs survived 1×10^6 permutations; (2) in contrast the max(T) permutation does not drop SNPs along the way. Adjustment of *P* value based on 5,000 permutations was specified, which meant all 5,000 were performed, for all SNPs. As the permutations performed allow control of the family wise error, SNPs with an adjusted *P* value <0.05 were considered to be significant.

Haplotypes were also generated in PLINK using the haploview algorithm and were tested for haplotype case/control associations to see which haplotype blocks were in linkage disequilibrium. A chi-square (χ^2) statistic was used to test for association and our cut off was a χ^2 value >14.4 (1 df) that gave a probability (*P*) of *P* < 0.0001 (using a chi-square to *P* calculator (http://faculty.vassar.edu/lowry/tabs.html#csq); for 1 degree of freedom (df) NB omnibus intervals have >1 df so χ^2 is higher). These top regions also corresponded to a $-\log_10P > 3.85$ from the haplotypic data. The number of haplotypes varied for each line. For each haplotype, the number of SNPs involved for each line were: line B (14,914) C (17,284) D (18,618) H (18,740) and after a correction for multiple testing $-\log_10P$ s of 5.47 (B), 5.53 (C), 5.57 (D) and 5.57 (H; average 5.54) were considered to be of GWS.

RESULTS

Single SNP Association and Sib-Pair Analysis

Association analysis of unrelated animals and the sib-pair analysis using PLINK were combined to look for significant SNPs or runs of SNPs associated with porcine maternal infanticide. The top $-\log 10$ P value for association with a single SNP, after Bonferroni correction, was 5.52 on SSC3 (Fig. 1), which meant that no single SNP reached GWS ($-\log 10P > 6$) from this analysis, however several



FIG. 1. The graph shows a summary of the $-\log 10P$ values for SSC3, line D for the single SNP association analysis. The first arrow points to the highest peak and represents *GPR139* and the second arrow points to the nearby *RBFOX1* peak.

top gene regions survived one million permutations (adaptive) and/or were present in all four lines. The most significant regions are summarized in Table II using the following criteria: peak SNPs with a top $-\log 10$ emp value of >4, survived one million permutations (adaptive) and where all four lines had SNPs (P < 0.01) in the candidate region. In order of highest -log10emp these were identified as being present on chromosomes: 3, 8, 4a, 13b, 4b, 6, 13a, 1, and 2. These are new potential candidate regions and the interval on SSC3 is syntentic in humans to 16p, which is indicated in human puerperal psychosis (PP) and bipolar studies (BP) [Jones et al., 2007]. Significantly differentially expressed genes from our previous array analysis of hypothalamic mRNA from infanticidal and non-infanticidal sows [Quilter et al., 2008] were also present in some of these regions: 1q (C9orf16, MED27), 2 (MATR3), 6 (OSBPL9), 13a (STTBB, WDR48) and 13b (POU1F1) with STT3B and POU1F1 also being genes with good -log10emp values.

Additional potential candidate regions were highlighted where the peak SNPs had a top $-\log 10 \text{emp} > 4$ and also survived one million permutations (but were not present in all four lines): 2 [Chen et al., 2009], 5a, 9a, 9b, 10a [Quilter et al., 2007], 10b [Quilter et al., 2007], 12a, 12b, 14, 15, 15b, 17, 18. In addition, some regions had peak SNPs with a top $-\log 10 \text{emp} > 4$ and had SNPs (P < 0.01) in all four lines in these regions but did not survive one million permutations: in SSC1q (Quilter, unpublished), 5b, 11, X [Quilter et al., 2007; Chen et al., 2009] (supplementary Table I).

Permutation Analysis

Adaptive permutation. SNPs that survived one million permutations have been considered with the association analysis above (Table II). A complete list of genes that survived one million permutations is summarized in supplementary Table II.

Max(T) permutation. From the max(T) permutation analysis, SNPs with an adjusted *P* value <0.05 were considered to be of genome wide significance. However, our SNPs failed to reach this significance level. The most significant gene regions represented *GPR139* to *IQCK* (SSC3 BP Dick et al. [2002]) with an adjusted p value 0.07518 and 3 SNPs representing 3'*PAX3* (15c) all with adjusted p values of 0.07978. The other top regions were comparable to our other analyses highlighting SNPs in 1q), 4a, 4b, 12a, 12c, 13b, 14, 15a, and 18a with adjusted *P* values <0.4, SNPs from other top regions including 1p (Quilter, unpublished) 3 (PP Jones et al., 2007), 13a, 15 [Chen et al., 2009], 15b, 18b) were found with adjusted p values below 0.8 and regions including 2 [Chen et al., 2009], 14 [Chen et al., 2009], Xp and Xq [Quilter et al., 2007; Chen et al., 2009] with adjusted *P* values below 1. Table III shows data with *P* values ≤ 0.4 , those ≤ 0.1 are in bold.

Haplotype Analysis

Sliding window approach. The sliding window association analysis was carried out on our samples and used to rationalize the initial association results and highlight potential causative haplotypes. The majority of haplotypes with a P value <0.005 were in regions previously detected by the association analysis, strengthening our initial results. When looking at regions which had consecutive significant haplotypes with at least one haplotype having a *P* value <0.0001, gene regions were confirmed from the association and sib pair analysis and previous QTL analyses on 1p, 1q, 3, 4, 6, and 13 by individual line analysis *P* < 0.0001 (Table IV) and on 1p, 1q, 4, 10, and 13 when regions in common to more than one line were examined at *P* < 0.001 (Table V). The sliding window association analysis also identified potential causative haplotypes. Those that were higher in the aggressive animals are highlighted in gray in Tables IV and V, some of which fall in good candidate regions and most of which fall in previously identified QTL/ candidate regions (1q, 3 [BP Dick et al., 2002; PP Jones et al., 2007], 13b).

Haplotype blocks and linkage disequilibrium. A further analysis was run to see which haplotype blocks were in linkage disequilibrium with the aim of rationalizing our initial results and of finding regions of GWS. Top regions were those with a χ^2 value >14.4 (1 df) (equivalent to a Pvalue < 0.0001) which corresponded to $-\log_{10P} > 3.85$ from the haplotypic data (Table VI, Fig. 2). Two haplotype blocks reached GWS (~-log10P 5.54): KHDRBS3 to FAM135B on SSC4 -log10P 5.5707 (line D; confirming region 4a from the single SNP analysis) and 3'PAX3, -log10P 5.6844 (line C) on SSC15, (a region present in lines C, D and H (P < 0.01) from the single SNP analysis with a top -log10emp 4.1759 and survival of 579,794 permutations). Other gene regions were near GWS and were comparable to candidate regions highlighted by the association analysis or previous analyses: 1q [Quilter et al., 2007], 3 (BP Dick et al., 2002; PP Jones et al., 2007), 4b, 6 [Chen et al., 2009], 12a, 12b, 13b, 14, 15 [Chen et al., 2009], 15b and 18a. The only haplotypic blocks with a P < 0.0001 found across all four lines were for the gene region CLEC19A to XYLT1 (SSC3) at 24.1 Mb (BP Dick et al., 2002) with a -log10P 4.494, 5' RBFOX1 (SSC3) at 32 Mb (PP Jones et al., 2007) with a -log10P 4.107 and PLEKHG1 (SSC1p) at 16.3 Mb with a -log10P 3.96 (Fig. 1). Supplementary Table III summarizes the gene functions from these top regions and shows that many significant genes are associated with psychiatric and/or neurological disorders. Some information was obtained from Database of Genotypes and Phenotypes (dbGaP), Bethesda (MD): National Center for Biotechnology Information, National Library of Medicine. Available from: http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/ sites/entrez?db=gap [Mailman et al., 2007].

Confirmation of QTL/gene regions associated with porcine maternal infanticide. In order to verify the association and haplotype analysis we looked specifically at the significance of our previous QTL [Quilter et al., 2007] and the QTL/gene regions identified by other studies [Chen et al., 2009], in the context of this analysis (summarized in supplementary Table IV).

Our previous QTL regions [Quilter et al., 2007] were confirmed by the single SNP association analysis on 1q (Quilter, unpublished) and Xp (MAOA) which were present in all 4 lines and had top gene/s with a $-\log 10$ emp > 4 and regions on 10 with top gene/s having a $-\log 10$ emp > 4 and which survived one million permutations. The chromosomal region on 1p (Quilter, unpublished) was present in all four lines and survived 225,774 permutations. Regions on 1p, 1q, 10 (PDSS1) were confirmed by both the max(T) permutation analysis and the haplotypic data, with SYNE1 and ESR1 (1p), MAP3K7 to MMS22L (1q) and NR5A2 and ZNF281 (10) being highlighted. A region on Xp (SCML2 to CDK15) and a region on Xq (GPC3) had a P < 1 from the max (T) permutation analysis. The

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	1 million permutations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
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	4 lines	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Analyses	B,C,D,Dsp,Hsp	B,C,D,H,Dsp	B,C,D,H,Dsp,Hsp	B,C,D,H,Dsp,Hsp	B,C,D,H, Dsp
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LINE	CHR	SNP	EMP1	EMP2	Вр	Gene region
D	1	ASGA0003159	0.0002	0.3491	63398602	MAP3K7 to EPHA7
D	3	H3GA0053147	0.0002	0.07518	23436727	GPR139 to IQCK
D	3	ALGA0113238	0.0006	0.4	24107618	CLEC19A to XYLT1
D	3	ALGA0124389	0.0004	0.3805	2500000	XYLT1 to ABCC1
D	12	MARC0069888	0.0002	0.2056	30900000	NOG to C170RF67
D	12	H3GA0052480	0.0002	0.3491	31605876	MSI2 to MRPS23
D	12	MARC0021670	0.0002	0.1056	33550000	GDPD1
D	12	ALGA0107852	0.0002	0.1988	56072709	ZNF624, ZNF287
D	13	MARC0043234	0.0002	0.3971	145133007	POFUT2 to ADARB1
С	15	H3GA0045081	0.0002	0.1376	115578890	3' to PAX3
С	15	ASGA0070769	0.0002	0.07978	115603664	3' to PAX3
С	15	M1GA0020474	0.0002	0.07978	115636450	3' to PAX3
С	15	ASGA0070779	0.0002	0.07978	115655024	3' to PAX3
D	18	MARC0112314	0.0002	0.2132	16821623	KLHDC10

TABLE III. Top Max(T) Permutation Results

EMP1 is the empirical P value before correction and EMP2 is the adjusted empirical P value after permutation testing

QTL on 2 was not confirmed by these analyses but the single SNP criteria showed SNPs in this region with an association significance of P < 0.01, found mainly in the sib pair analyses (top SNP: $-\log 10emp 2.6, 14,445$ permutations). In our previous paper, this QTL was line specific to the Large White breed.

To confirm the other porcine analysis [Chen et al., 2009], single SNP association analysis confirmed regions on 2 and 6 as having top gene/s with a $-\log 10 \text{emp} > 4$ and which survived one million permutations. The region on 15 survived 135,456 permutations (adaptive) and had a p value 0.5437 from the max(T) permutation analysis. Regions on 6 and 15 were also confirmed by the haplotype/LD data ($-\log 10P > 3.85$). However, the QTL on SSC14 was not confirmed.

Top regions. A summary of all the analyses described is found in Table VII. From this table, it is clear that the candidate regions on chromosomes 1p (Quilter, unpublished), 1q (Quilter, unpublished), 3 [Dick et al., 2002; Jones et al., 2007], 4a (new), 4b (new) 10 [Quilter et al., 2007] 13a (new) and 13b (new) are common to most analyses (\geq 4). The region on SSC15 is also deemed important as it reached genome wide significance. Results showed that many significant genes are associated with psychiatric and/or neurological disorders (NCBI, DAVID).

DISCUSSION

In this study, we initially carried out a single SNP association analysis and although we identified strong candidate regions, we failed to identify any at GWS. Analyzing our results with other statistical methods allowed us to highlight genetic regions, which were concordant. For example, the strongest candidate intervals proposed from the single SNP association also contained genes, which survived a million permutations (adaptive). Results with the best P values from the max(T) permutation testing, fell in previously identified regions. The sliding widow haplotype analysis, which looked at blocks of 3 SNPs, confirmed some of the candidate intervals detected by single SNPs. Many genes from the haplotype LD analysis showed strong SNP data, identifying regions of near significance at the chromosome wide level. In fact, by looking at haplotypes in LD, ancestral regions of the pig genome were targeted and therefore considered more likely to contain mutations relevant to the phenotype. Most of these regions were common to the initial single SNP association analysis. This method was also able to identify two intervals at GWS.

In general, regions that were not concordant throughout multiple analyses were considered to be of less significance and/or more likely to be false positives. However, some single significant SNPs from the association analysis were not noteworthy in the haplotype LD analysis because they were not in LD with adjacent SNPs, for example, the most significant SNP in the single SNP association analysis (H3GA0053147), which represented the interval *GPR139* to *IQCK*. For such SNPs, where the initial association data was strong, the gene(s)/genetic region that they represent should still be judged a potential candidate(s).

Therefore by considering multiple analyses, we were able to determine which regions of the porcine genome were the strongest candidates for porcine maternal infanticide and worthy of further investigation. When taking into consideration all analyses, new candidate regions were identified on SSCs 3, 4, 13, and 15 and regions were confirmed on SSCs 1p, 1q (Quilter, unpublished), 10, X [Quilter et al., 2007] and on SSCs 2, 6, and 15 [Chen et al., 2009]. Multiple candidate intervals were therefore detected, which is justified because the genetic contribution to behavioral studies is often complex, involving multiple regions of the genome, some of which may only contribute a small genetic effect. Two intervals (SSCs 4 and 15) reached GWS from our multiple analyses. We postulate that the regions which fall just below GWS from both the association and haplotype analyses, are still of interest and worthy of further investigation, particularly if they are concordant across analyses and are present in multiple lines. This is supported by the fact that genes associated with psychiatric and/or neurodegenerative disorders were found in all of these intervals.

TABLE IV. Summary of the Results From the Sliding Window Analysis for Each Line, Showing Regions That Contain At Least One Haplotype With a P Value <0.0001

Line B	Chr 1	Bp 14874473	Gene SYNE1	F_A None	Comment QTL 1p Quilter et al. [uppublished]
В	4	115416539	KIAA1324, C1orf94, TAF13	None	BLOCK
В	4	115468034	TMEM167B		
В	5	63262812	IQSEC3	None	
	5	63275184	WASH1 RELATED		
В	13	126311472	GBE1 to ROBO1	None	
В	15	29986085	EPB41L5	Lower in A	
	15	30518990	DLGAP2		
С	1	40473197	NKAIN2	Higher in A	
С	1	68937675	C6orf167 to POU3F2	Higher in A	BLOCK QTL 1q Quilter et al.
С	1	69308215	FBXL4		[unpublished]
С	1	260851292	ZNF246 to RAD23B	None	
С	3	114106868	NBAS to TRIB2	Lower in A	
С	11	12151392	RFXAP	Higher in A	
С	13	44399001	FOXP1	Higher in A	
С	14	31180400	KDM2B	Lower in A	
С	15	115259317	FARSB	None	
С	15	115517599	SGPP2, PAX3		BLOCK
С	15	115603664	PAX3		
С	15	117286727	SGPP3		
D	1	62897862	MAP3K7 to EPHA7	Higher in A	BLOCK QTL 1q Quilter et al. [unpublished]
D	3	23436727	GPR139 to GPRC5B	Higher in A	BP, PP Dick et al. [2002], Jones et al. [2007]
D	3	24107618	CLEC19A to XYLT1		BLOCK
D	3	24397779	XYLT1		
D	3	2500000	XYLT1 to ABCC1		
D	3	26271294	PARN	Higher in A	BP, PP Dick et al. [2002], Jones et al. [2007]
D	3	26502700	MKL2		
D	3	26765413	ERCC4		BLOCK
D	3	26800551	ERCC4 to SNX29		
D	3	31977117	RBFOX1, MGRN1	Higher in A	BLOCK
D	3	86271637	KCNK12	Lower in A	
D	3	86384333	MSH2		
D	3	98531389	CRIM1 to TMEM121	Lower in A	BLOCK
D	4	1958672	TRAPPC9	Lower in A	
D	4	4022957	FAMI35B to KHDRBS3	None	BLOCK
D	5	9884000	LARGE	None	
D	6	108179295	FGGY	None	
D	7	131947563	PPP2R5C	Higher in A	
D	8	10777720	LCORL to SLIT2	None	
D	12	30900000	NUG to C170RF67	None	
D	12	31605876	MSI2 to MRPS23	Lower in A	
D	12	41229732	RAB11FIP4	None	51.001/
D	12	41775108	WSB1 to KSR1		BLULK
D	12	56254231		Lower in A	
D	12	56434716	NLUK1	None	
D	13	15439443	S113B	None	
D	13	17730864		None	
D	13	129793183		Higher in A	
U	13	145133007	PUPUIZ, ADAKBI	Higher in A	BLUCK
	5	518228U	MARSKAIRI-SINGKI DACU1 C1200527	Lower in A	
Н	11	44210118	DALHI-LIJUKF37	Lower In A	

F.A indicates whether the frequency of haplotypes in a region showed a trend of being higher or lower in A (aggressive) animals. Genes shaded gray represent the presence of potential at risk haplotypes. The comment column indicates when there is a block of several consecutive haplotypes (P<0.0001) and previously identified QTL.

Lines	F_A	Highest <i>P</i> value	Chr	From bp	To bp	Gene(s)
B, C	None	8.19E-05	1	14798237	15355428	SYNE1, ESR1 QTL 1p Quilter et al. [unpublished]
C, D	Higher in A	8.54E-05	1	61936687	63800649	MAP3K7 to EPHA7 1p Quilter et al. [unpublished]
B, D	None	0.0002822	3	57283338	58614304	CTNNA2
B, D	Higher in A	0.0003314	3	91132479	91254239	МТАЗ
C, D	None	8.24E-05	3	98420696	99334429	CRIM1 to TMEM121
C, D	None	7.81E-05	4	5168635	5168635	KHDRBS3
B, C	None	6.62E-05	4	115401408	115416539	KIAA1324
B, D	None	0.0001147	10	22062023	23931957	NEK7, NR5A2, ZNF281, NAV1 Quilter et al. [2007]
B, D	None	0.0003024	13	121289653	122262655	EPHA6, PROS1, POU1F1
B, D	Higher in A	9.85E-05	13	125764540	128597138	GBE1, ROBO1, ROBO2
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TABLE V. Summary of Regions of Significance (P < 0.001) Found by the Sliding Window Analysis in Common to More Than One Line

F A indicates whether the frequency of haplotypes in a region showed a trend of being higher or lower in A (aggressive) animals. Genes shaded gray represent the presence of potential at risk haplotypes.

The Most Consistent Candidate Region Across All Analyses and All Breeds—A Candidate Region for Puerperal Psychosis and Bipolar disorder

From all of the candidate regions the most interesting appears to be the large region on SSC3, which was consistent across six analyses. This region had the highest significance in more than one analysis, was present in all four lines and is a region rich in genes associated with psychiatric disorders. The sliding window analysis also identified haplotypes that were higher in infanticide animals.

Within this interval there were two peak regions. The first at 23.4 Mb was the top SNP, from the single SNP association analysis and mapped to the region between GPR139 and IQCK. Edenberg et al. [1997] found evidence of linkage in this region in humans with BP, which was within 1Mb of this peak and was confirmed by Dick et al., [2002]. About 50% of female patients within these cohorts did exhibit postpartum symptoms. There are several candidate genes in and around this region. The most interesting is GPR139: this gene is a G-protein-coupled receptor, important in signal transduction. Predominant expression of mouse GPR139 is in putamen, medulla and caudate nucleus with a lesser expression in thalamus, amygdala and spinal cord [Süsens et al., 2006]. These areas of the CNS are involved in mood, behaviour and locomotion activity. It also shares identity with an odorant-like gene derived from human erythroid cells [Vanti et al., 2003]. A study using evolutionary relationships between species and nucleotide sequences placed GPR139 into the same group as somatostatin receptors [Gloriam et al., 2005]. Somatostatin is important for regulating the release of other hormones. This suggests that there may be a link between this gene and changing hormone levels after giving birth, which is potentially a trigger for abnormal maternal behavior.

There are several other candidate genes and regions (*XYLT2* to *ABCC1*; *SYT17*; *PARN*; *MLK2*; *ERCC4*; *SHISA9*) in this interval, with connections to attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), alcoholism, Autism, Alzheimer's disease, conduct disorder and schizophrenia. Their detailed functions are summarized in supplementary Tables III and V. It is unclear whether these genes act separately or are linked together to contribute to the porcine maternal infanticide phenotype.

The second peak on SSC3 at 31.9 Mb, mapped to the region between *RBFOX1* and *UBN1* and is of particular significance as it is syntenic with the human puerperal psychosis region (16p13) proposed by Jones et al. [2007] and within 2 Mb of a peak region linked to bipolar disorder [Ewald et al., 2002]. Twenty-one SNPs (P < 0.01) were present in this region or *RBFOX1* itself. These two genes are therefore important candidates:

RBFOX1: This gene binds to the C-terminus of ataxin-2 and may contribute to the restricted pathology of spinocerebellar ataxia type 2 (SCA2). Ataxin-2 is the gene product of the SCA2 gene, which causes familial neurodegenerative diseases [Shibata et al., 2000]. RBFOX1 is also associated with movement-related adverse antipsychotic effects for conduct disorder [Aberg et al., 2010]. A female with autism, epilepsy and global developmental delay was found to have a de novo translocation involving chromosomes 15 and 16 resulting in a cryptic deletion in RBFOX1 and reduced gene expression was also confirmed by Q-PCR, indicating that this is a good candidate for autism [Martin et al., 2007]. Also, in a CNV study, rare inherited structural variations were found that implicated a set of putative candidate genes for further study in the etiology of ADHD, which included RBFOX1 [Elia et al., 2010]. SNPs present in the human syntenic region, in and around RBFOX1, are associated with BP, autism, Alzheimer's, and ADHD with hyperactivity and conduct disorder [Mailman et al., 2007; Anney et al., 2008]. RBFOX1 is also a key modulator of alternative splicing in neuronally expressed genes including GRIN1 [Lee et al., 2009]; defects in GRIN1 have been linked to psychiatric disorders [Cherlyn et al., 2010] and this gene was found to be differentially expressed in porcine maternal infanticide [Quilter et al., 2008].

UBN1: This gene may also be important as it maps to a region investigated for autism in humans [Barnby et al., 2005].

The block haplotype LD analysis showed that the two regions on SSC3 are not in linkage disequilibrium and thus represent two loci. This confirms the suggestion by Jones et al. [2007] that there appears to be at least two loci present, containing genes relevant to various forms of bipolar disorder. In addition, as this region is consistently one of the top regions in our analyses and had SNPs significant in all four lines, this supports our hypothesis that maternal infanticide in pigs is a good animal model for human puerperal psychosis.

	Gene	PLEKH61	MAP3K7	MMSZZL to POU3F2	MMS22L to POU3F2	5' FBXL4	<i>SYT17</i> to <i>XYLT1</i>	XYLT1 [Continued]
_	Log10P	3.9633711	4.276134	4.2079587	4.2680891	3.8604357	4.4940365	4.4031831
Reached GWS	Finish	16445454	61847884	69128641	69205895	69552862	24118678	24532739
legions Which	Start	16370845	61499482	68730879	69150208	69308215	24107618	24518891
Indicates the Two R	SNPS	ALGA0001317 DRGA0000174 H3GA0000934 ALGA0001327 ALGA0001328	MARC0013135 ALGA0003751 ASGA0003097 ASGA0003100 MARC0052892 ALGA0110077 ALGA0110579 ASGA0003102	AL6A00U3761 AL6A0003975 DR6A0001106 AS6A0003239 INRA0002726 AS6A0003244 MARC0075306 AL6A0073306	ALGAD003988 MARC0027154 ASGA0003249 INRA0002742 AI GAD033991	ALGA0004000 ASGA0003261 ALGA0004005 ALGA0004006 ALGA0004006 ALGA0003265 ALGA0119247 H3GA0052986 ASGA0100874	ALGA0113238 MARC0010219	ALGA0018155 ALGA0018160
g10P Results	e	0.0001088	5.30E 05	6.20E-05	5.39E-05	0.0001379	3.21E-05	3.95E-05
ed Lo	н	-	-	-	-	-	7	-
ults (Shad	CHI SQ	14.98	16.34	16.04	16.3	14.53	17.29	16.89
pe LD Res	D H	0.297	0.6386	0	0	0	0.12	0.12
Top Haploty	FA	0.08571	0.8838	0.1705	0.173	0.1558	0.3725	0.37
TABLE VI.	Haplotype	AAGAG	AGAAGAAA	GAAGAAA	БАААА	GCAAGCAGA	AA	66
	Line	В	Ω	сı	с	с	Ω	
	CHR	-	H	4	-	-	m	m
	Lines in region	В,С,(D),Н	C,D,(H)				B,(C),D,H	

	Gene <i>PARN</i> to <i>MKL2</i> <i>(MAP3K10)</i> (MIR193B) MIR193B]	ERCC4 to SHISA9	5' RBFDX1	EPAS1	NBAS to TRIB2 in LINCOD276	PTK2 to DENND3	KHDRBS3 to FAM135B
	Log10P 4.3362991	4.2714028	4.1078497	5.0636371	4.0090842	4.0464336	5.5707323
	Finish 26531777	27012951	32177080	87622338	114106868	1537373	4211845
	Start 26054297	26845421	31848979	87502097	114104190	1289092	4046035
led)	SNPS MARC0014659 DIAS000928 ALG40018228 ALG40018228 ALG40018230 ASG40014039 ASG40014038 ASG40014038 ALG40114830 ALG40114830 ALG40018260 MARC0001955 ASG4001355	H36A0009171 AL6A0018311 AL6A0018313 AL6A0018333	H3GA0055035 MARC0073946 ALGA0102473 ASGA0092767	DIASO000405 ASGA0015374 H3GA0010102 ALGA0020145 ALGA0020149 SIRI0000186	ASGA0098921 MARC0098920	ALGA0022018 ASGA0017024 ASGA0017024 ASGA0017039 ASGA0017041 ASGA0017047 MARC0084013 MARC0034221 ASGA0017054	DRGA0004385 MARC0058451 DRGA0004390 ALGA0022450 ASGA0017526 DRGA0004397
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	CHI SQ 16.6	16.32	15.61	19.79	15.18	25.98	22.03
	F.U 0.05051	0.05	0.11	0.01061	0.9186	Υ Υ	0.4141
	7 7 0 .26	0.2549	0.3431	0.2059	0.6818	N	0.12
	Haplotype 6666A66A66CAA	666	AGGG	GACGAA	АА	OMNIBUS	БАААА
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	сн м	m	m	m	m	4	4
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KHDRBS3 to FAM135B	TMEM167B, TAF13, WDR47, CLCC1, AKNAD1, GPSM2	TMEM167B, TAF13, WDR47, CLCC1, AKNAD1, GPSM2	<i>CDH11(8)</i> to <i>G0T2</i>	<i>GPATCH2</i> to <i>TGFB2</i>	MSI2 to MRPS23 CUEDC1	ZNF287 to ZNF624	ZNF287 to ZNF624	ZNF287 to ZNF624	ADORAZB, ZSWIM7, TTC19, NCOR1					(<i>Continued</i>)
4.2634442	4.6530605	4.5278289	4.1336536	3.9730584	4.2764622	4.8941493	4.2875187	4.2695407	4.1400815					
4211845	115679812	115679812	16204670	8353567	31611387	56072709	56072709	56072709	56492618					
4046035	115468034	115468034	16125649	8333694	31605876	56062762	56062762	56062762	56254231					
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5.45E—05	2.22E-05	2.97E-05	7.35E-05	0.0001064	5.29E05	1.28E-05	5.16E-05	5.38E-05	7.24E05					
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31.31	17.99	26.14	15.72	15.02	16.34	19.05	16.39	19.66	15.75					
AN	0.01961	M	0.34	0.22	0.4896	0.66	0.26	NA	0.56					
NA	0.2075	A	0.1078	0.4804	0.2157	0.3529	0.5392	NA	0.2843					
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region	CHR 13	Line	Haplotype AACGAG	F_A 0.2647	F_U 0.06122	CHI SQ 15.02	н Ц	P 0.0001064	SNPS ALGA0068783 ALGA0068784 ALGA0068790	Start 17773577	Finish 17983970	Log10P 3.9730584	Gene ARPP21
B,C,D	13		GGGA	0.2059	0.02	17.29	4	3.205E-05	ASGA0056621 MARC0005330 MARC0050907 ASGA0060288	145074268	145176604	4.494172	5' ADARB1, POFUT2
	13	Ω	GGGA	0.2059	0.02	17.29	-	3.205E-05	MARC0043234 M16A0017995 M16A0017997 AS6A0060288 MARC0043234	145074268	145176604	4.494172	5' ADARB1, POFUT2
	13	Ω	OMNIBUS	NA	NA	21.67	m	7.642E-05	M16A0017995 M16A0017997 AS6A0060288 MARC0043234	145074268	145176604	4.116793	S' ADARB1, POFUT2
	13		OMNIBUS	NA	NA	21.67	m	7.642E-05	M1640017995 M1640017997 AS640060288 MARC0043234	145074268	145176604	4.116793	5' ADARB1, POFUT2
Ω	14	Ω	GAGGA	0.5	0.8	19.94	7	8.003E-06	MIGADUL7995 M1GAD017997 MARC0049055 M1GAD018418 ALGAD076284	22794071	22911648	5.0967472	FBRSL1 to GALNT9
	14		OMNIBUS	NA	NA	21.23	m	9.41E-05	M16A0018417 AL6A0076263 MARC0049055 M16A0018418 AL6A0076284	22794071	22911648	4.0264104	FBRSL1 to GALNT9
B,D	15	Ω	AGAGAAAGA	0.07731	0.2947	15.76		7.206E-05	M1GADD18417 ALGA0076263 ALGA0084037 ALGA0084043 ALGA0084043	13428035	13797461	4.1423057	THSD7B to CXCR4
									ASGA0068711 CASI0008608 ALGA0084057 ASGA0095872 ASGA0104534 ALGA0084052				

ATIC, FN1	3' <i>PAX3</i>	TMEM213	PLXNA4 to PODXL
4.0606305	5.6844495	4.2295899	4.8732194
110986239	115667301	9018459	15529609
110869659	115517599	8999992	15173938
MARC0044987 MARC0012403 ASGA0070468 MARC0062252 DIAS0000510 ASGA0070474	ALGA0087273 H3GA0045081 ASGA0070769 M1GA0020474 ASGA0070779 ARC0004065	MARC0037341 ALGA0097013	ALGA0115113 MARC0064624 ALGA0107372 H3GA0050474 ALGA0097253
8.697E-05	2.068E-06	5.89E-05	1.34E-05
	-	-	-
15.4	22.53	16.14	18.95
0.1871	0.08235	0.8939	0.1717
0.01961	0.3908	0.6957	0
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FIG. 2. Haplotype LD results for all lines (B, C, D, H). Regions with a χ 2 value >14.4 (1 df; equivalent to a *P* value < 0.0001) corresponding to $-\log$ 10P > 3.85 are above the solid line. The regions of GWS are highlighted inside a circle on chromosome 4, line D (*KHDRBS3* to *FAM135B*) and chromosome 15, line C (*PAX3*).

Other Puerperal Psychosis Candidate Regions

The other candidate region proposed by Jones et al. [2007] for PP was syntenic to SSC4. This region had top gene/s, which survived 348,500 permutations and blocks (*GSMDC1* to *MYC*) came up in the hayplotype/LD analysis although with only moderate p values. The human study by Mahon et al. [2009] found associations of increased susceptibility to postpartum mood symptoms with two genes, *METTL13* and *HMCN1*. *METTL13* was within a significant block syntenic to SSC9 having top gene/s, which survived one million permutations but *HMCN1* was just outside this region.

/Key genes, genes in bolc ave psychiatric and/or olgical connection (DAVID BI), shaded when genes esent in more than one	analysis R139 TO IQCK, SYT17 TO	1, XYLT1 TO ABCC1, MKL2, CC4 TO SNX29, RBFDX1	CGORF103, UST	P 3K7 , MAP3K7 TO EPHA7, V7 TO POU3F2 POU3F2 TO	4, FBXL4 , RIMS1 TO KCNQ5 AC TO FRK, LIPC TO AQP9,	THBST_TO_RASGRPT 135B_TO_ KHDRBS3 , PARP10	ENND3, DENND3, KHDRBS: AT, SY117 TO XYLT1, PARN 7, MKL2, ERCC4 TO SNX29, 7, MKL2, TO DENND3	DR47, CLCC1, CLCC1 TO	NAD1, KCNA3 TO PROK1, A17, TMEM167B , TAF13 TU	/DR47, AKNAD1, GPSM2 JARB1, PDFUT2, PRSS7	ROS1, POU1F1, GBE1 TO 11, ROB01, ROB02, ROB01 TO 1 IPI	K7, NR5A2, NAV1 , CNTFR, 17 TO ARID3C, ZNF438 TO 1, SVIL TO ZNF438, CUBN, DSS1, STAM, FAM107B,	107B TO FRMD4A, FRMD4A MYD3A TO PDSSI	STT3B, ARPP21 5A1 TO PAEP, ZNF462 TO	RAD23B
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Confirmation of QTL from previous studies by association	analysis +			+								+			
Quilter et al. [2007]/ Jones et al. [2007]/ Dick et al. [2002]/ Chen et al. [2009]/ Mahon et al.	2 009 +		÷	+								+			
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TABLE VII. Summary of All Analyses

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TOX3 TO SALL1, CDH11 TO G072	FGGY, FOXE3, TESK2, SGIP1	NDG to C17orf67, MS12 TD	MRPS23, GDPD1, ADORA2B,	ZSWIMZ, TTC19	ZNF624, ZNF287, AL0X15 T0	SENP3, NCOR1	GALNT9, FBRSL1 TO GALANT9	PLXNA4 TO PODXL, KLHDC10	GSMDC1 TO MYC, ASAP1	NRCAM, HMCN1, ORC5L TO	LHFPL3, CNTNAP2	BUB3, HMX3, HTRA1, ATRNL1	GTDC1, THSD28 TO CXCR4	SGPP2 TO PAX3, PAX3, CCDC140	MADA, SCML2 TO CDKL5,	FRMPD4, PRPS2, ZNF630 TO	IFE3	TYRP1 TO PTPRD	GPR98, MEF2C, ARRDC3 TO	NR2F1	KIF3A TO SEPT8	GRID2 TO FAM190A, FAM190A,	WDFY3, CDS1 TO NKX6-1, XKX6	TO AGPAT9, ENOPH1	ATIC, FN1, ERBB4	TMEM213	GPC3, VBP1
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However, four SNPs within *HMCN1* with an association significance of P < 0.01 were present (top SNP: $-\log 10$ emp 3.0712, 42,724 permutations). The other region of significance described by Mahon et al. [2009] was syntenic to SSC1 at 219.5 Mb. Our analyses did not reveal significant associations in this region.

Regions of GWS

Two regions reached genome wide significance from our block haplotype/LD analysis, one on SSC4 (4a) in one Duroc based line (D) and one on SSC15 in two lines, one Large White and one Duroc based (C, D).

The gene region on SSC4(a) contains some good candidate genes:

FAM135B to *KHDRBS3*: SNPs in the intergenic region between *FAM135B* and *KHDRBS3* are associated with Parkinson's, neurotic disorders and cognition in humans [Fung et al., 2006; Van den Oord et al., 2008; Cirulli et al., 2010].

PTK2: Down regulation of this gene is associated with autism in humans [Wei et al., 2011].

KCNK9: This gene encodes a member of the superfamily of potassium channel proteins containing two pore-forming P domains, and is highly expressed in the cerebellum. It is imprinted in human and mouse fetal brain, with preferential expression from the maternal allele. It is mutated in a maternally transmitted genomic-imprinting syndrome of mental retardation, Birk Barel mental retardation dimorphism syndrome [Barel et al., 2008]. This is an interesting candidate as heritability of maternal infanticide is higher from dam to daughter than sire to daughter [Knap and Merks, 1987; Van der Steen et al., 1988] suggesting that maternal imprinting could play a part in the phenotype.

The second region that reached genome wide significance (-log10P 5.68) on SSC15 contained a couple of good candidate genes:

PAX3: The most significant haplotype in this interval was 3' to and within *PAX3*. Three SNPs from this region also had a *P* value of 0.07978 from the max(T) permutation analysis, with a further 4 SNPs with *P* values 0.1376–0.249 representing the interval from *SGPP2* to *PAX3*. This was the largest block of SNPs from this analysis where all SNPs had a *P* value <0.4. This gene has a critical role in fetal development. In mice, *PAX3* mutations lead to spina bifida and exencephaly suggesting a role in normal neural development [Epstein et al., 1993]. In humans, mutations in *PAX3* contribute to the pigmentation and auditory problems of Waardenburg syndrome [Tassabehji et al., 1992] and are also associated with craniofacial-deafness-hand syndrome [Asher et al., 1996].

EPHA4: Another gene in this region and is a further member of the epharin receptor family, which has been implicated in mediating developmental events, particularly in the nervous system (Wilkinson, 2001). In neuroimaging study of AD, which measured gray matter (GM) density, volume, and cortical thickness from baseline scans in humans, *EPHA4* was found to have GWA with multiple brain regions [Shen et al., 2010].

Other Significant Regions Detected in This Study

Other regions that were concordant across multiple analyses were present on SSC4 (4b) and SSC13 (13a and 13b). The region SSC13b

had interesting results from the sliding window analysis as the haplotype across *GBE1*, *ROBO1*, and *ROBO2* was more frequent in infanticide animals than controls. Functions of candidate genes from all these regions are summarized in supplementary Tables III and V.

Confirmation of Previously Identified QTL

Confirming previously identified porcine maternal infanticide QTL (1, 10, X, 2, 6, 15) helped to verify our current results and of these, regions on chromosomes 1 and 10 were the strongest (Supplementary Table IV).

The region on 1p persisted throughout multiple analyses. Several genes are of interest and are discussed in supplementary Table III. In particular SNPs in SYNE1 were of moderate significance (although not at the genome wide level) in a meta-analysis of genome-wide association (GWA) data of human BP and major depressive disorder (MDD). SYNE1 also contains a spectrin-binding domain, suggesting a connection with the function of the BP susceptibility locus ANK3 [Liu et al., 2011]. Additionally, UST and the region UST to SASH1 contained SNPs (P < 0.01) that were common to 3 lines (B, C, H) and represented the largest block of common contiguous SNPs in this analysis. In a human GWA study looking at the pharmacogenetics of antidepressants, drug-specific analyses revealed a genome-wide significant association between marker rs2500535 in UST and response to nortriptyline, an antidepressant [Uher et al., 2010]. The second region on SSC1 which was on the long arm (1q) was particularly interesting because a large block of SNPs had alleles, although at a low frequency, which were only present in the affected animals. The function of candidate genes (POU3F2; MAP3K7), from this region are discussed in supplementary Table III. For SSC10, three significant regions were identified in the range of our previously reported QTL [Quilter et al., 2007] and the sliding window analysis confirmed the peak region from our previous work (22.1 Mb) [Quilter et al., 2007]. The function of interesting genes in this region are summarized in supplementary Table V.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, this study has confirmed and refined our previous work and has additionally implicated more potential genetic regions likely to be involved in porcine maternal infanticide. By analyzing the data in different ways we have rationalized our results and have highlighted regions containing candidate genes worthy of further investigation, to confirm their role in the abnormal phenotype. Interestingly, some of our top SNPs fall within intergenic regions and we have noted that some of these intervals contain noncoding RNA, which are known to be important in regulating gene expression in neural tissue [Lin et al., 2011]. The region on SSC3 was one of the most consistent and interesting of all our results as it is syntenic to a proposed puerperal psychosis region in humans on 16p, as well as being a region with moderate linkage to bipolar disorder. There appears to be at least two loci present in this region, containing genes relevant to various forms of bipolar disorder. Our findings add significant weight to our hypothesis that porcine maternal infanticide would be a good animal model for human

puerperal psychosis, providing readily available tissue for future studies of this complex disease. Further studies in both pigs and humans looking for gene polymorphisms associated with infanticide/PP, by sequencing candidate genes, could lead to diagnostic tests for both conditions and to a greater understanding of the genetic pathways linked to them.

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