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Genoderms with skin cancer associations

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BCC		
Condition	Gene	High-yield associations
Basal cell nevus syndrome (Gorlin-Goltz syndrome)	AD, <i>PTCH1/2, SUFU</i>	- 2+ palmoplantar pits - Odontogenic keratocysts of the jaw - Calcification of falx cerebri - Bifid ribs - Medulloblastoma - Ovarian/cardiac fibroma
Bazex-Dupré-Christol syndrome	XD, <i>ACTRT1</i>	- Pili torti - Milia - Follicular atrophoderma (dorsal hands/feet, face, elbows, knees) - Hypohidrosis - Hypotrichosis (+/- pili torti)
Rombo syndrome	AD, <i>unknown gene</i>	- Atrophoderma vermiculatum - Milia - Telangiectasia - Acro-facial vasodilation and cyanosis - Trichoepithelioma
Brooke-Spiegler syndrome	AD, <i>CYLD</i>	- Cylindroma - Trichoepithelioma - Spiradenoma - Salivary and parotid gland tumors
Xeroderma pigmentosum (DeSanctis-Cacchione syndrome)	AR, <i>XPA- XPG XPV</i>	- XPB, XPD and XPG - XP-Cockayne overlap (skin of XP+ retinal degeneration and basal ganglia calcification) - XPB, XPD - trichothiodystrophy - Neurodevelopmental delay, sensorineural hearing loss, hyperreflexia EXCEPT in XPV - 10,000-fold increased risk for BCC
Schöpf-Schulz-Passarge syndrome	AR, <i>WNT10A</i>	- Ectodermal dysplasia - Multiple hidrocystomas - Hypodontia - Hypotrichosis - PPK - Nail dystrophy



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Oculocutaneous albinism	All variants AR OCA1a- <i>TYR</i> absent OCA1b- decreased <i>TYR</i> OCA2- <i>P</i> gene (most common) OCA3- <i>TRYP1</i> OCA4- <i>SLC45A2</i> formerly <i>MATP</i>	- Photophobia - Nystagmus - Reduced visual acuity - Increased risk of BCC but SCC is the most common type of skin cancer - Variable pigment dilution in skin hairs and eyes (except OCA1a) - OCA2-like hypopigmentation can occur in patients with Prader-Willi syndrome and Angelman syndrome
Xeroderma pigmentosum	AR, <i>XPA-XPG</i> <i>XPV</i>	- Defective nucleotide excision repair of UV-induced pyrimidine dimers - Extreme photosensitivity - Eyes: photophobia, keratitis, conjunctivitis, pingueculae/pterygia - <i>XPB</i>, <i>XPD</i> and <i>XPG</i>: XP-Cockayne overlap (retinal degeneration and basal ganglia calcification) - <i>XPB</i>, <i>XPD</i>: trichothiodystrophy - All except <i>XPV</i>: neurodevelopmental delay, sensorineural hearing loss, hyperreflexia - 10,000-fold increased risk for SCC - DeSanctis-Cacchione syndrome: XP with severe neurologic deficits and intellectual disability
Dystrophic epidermolysis bullosa	AR, <i>COL7A1</i> premature termination with loss of anchoring fibrils AD, <i>COL7A1</i> variants with milder disease (similar to EBS)	- Mucocutaneous blisters that heal with atrophic scarring and milia - Pseudosyndactyly due to repeated scarring - Renal failure - SCC are aggressive and #1 cause of death
Epidermodysplasia verruciformis	AR, <i>TMC6</i> (<i>EVER1</i>) and <i>TMC8</i> (<i>EVER2</i>)	- Secondary to HPV 3, 5, 8 - Lesions can resemble flat warts or pink, scaly hypopigmented guttae macules

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Dyskeratosis congenita	XLR, <i>DKC1</i> (most common) AD, <i>TERC</i> , <i>TERT</i> , <i>TINF2</i> AR, <i>TINF2</i> , <i>NOP10</i> , <i>NHP2</i>	- Bone marrow failure - Reticulated hyperpigmentation on face/neck/upper torso - Premalignant oral leukoplakia - Onychodystrophy
Porokeratosis, linear type	Somatic mosaicism in mevalonate metabolism: <i>MVK</i> , <i>PMVK</i> , <i>MVD</i>	- Onset in newborns - Linear lesion on extremities following lines of Blaschko
Keratitis, ichthyosis, deafness (KID) syndrome	AD, sporadic <i>GJB2</i> (Connexin 26)	- Transient neonatal erythroderma - Well-demarcated erythematous, hyperkeratotic plaques on face and extremities - Stippled palmoplantar keratoderma - Congenital sensorineural hearing impairment - Progressive keratitis with consequent blindness and conjunctivitis - Recurrent mucocutaneous <i>candida</i> infections
Rothmund-Thomson syndrome (poikiloderma congenitale)	AR, <i>RECQL4</i>	- Poikiloderma typically begins in infancy on the face, then spreads to the extremities and buttocks - Radial ray defects (absent or hypoplastic thumbs, radius, and ulna) - Acral verrucous keratoses with malignant transformational potential - Hypogonadism - Juvenile cataracts - Increased risk of osteosarcoma (30%) (common cause of premature death)
Werner syndrome	AR, <i>WRN/RECQL2</i>	- Accelerated aging - Sclerodermatous/atrophic change acral/facial - Increased risk of fibrosarcoma and osteogenic sarcoma - Malignancy and CVA are main causes of mortality

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Chronic mucocutaneous candidiasis	AD, <i>STAT1</i> , <i>IL-17F</i> AR, <i>AIRE</i> (Autoimmune poly-endocrinopathy-candidiasis-ectodermal dystrophy [APECED] syndrome) AR, <i>CARD9</i>	- Impaired response of Th17 cells - Recurrent, treatment-resistant thrush, angular cheilitis, and vaginal candidiasis - Persistent scaly, erythematous plaques in intertriginous areas and nails - Mucocutaneous SCC
Bloom syndrome (congenital telangiectatic erythema)	AR, <i>BLM/RECQL3</i>	- Short stature - Photosensitivity - Malar telangiectatic erythema - Beaked nose - High-pitched cry - Primary hypogonadism - Low IgA/IgM with increased risk of respiratory and GI infections - Malignancy, especially leukemia, is most common cause of mortality

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