Angelman syndrome genotypes manifest varying degrees of clinical severity and developmental impairment

Supplementary Information

Supplementary Patients and Methods

Participants

Initially, 1007 datasets from 304 participants enrolled in the study were available for analysis (we refer to the data from one participant collected at one visit as a single dataset). Per study protocol, participants were seen approximately annually over eight years. The mean number of visits per participant was 2.9 (±1.9); deviation from the expected 9 visits per participant was due to later enrolment in the study, missing visits and dropouts (Supplementary Fig. 1A).

Datasets from participants that could not be assigned to one of five genetic sub-groups (MutM, MutT, IPD, UPD, Del1, Del2) were excluded from the analysis (72 datasets from 36 participants). This included those with deletions of unspecified size, and those with incomplete testing that did not permit genotype assignment (e.g. abnormal DNA methylation, negative for deletion, but no further studies). Three patients with UBE3A mutations that were synonymous (i.e coding the same amino acid) were excluded. Furthermore, we included only datasets with a participant age between 1 and 18 years, because there were few datasets available for analysis outside of this age range (46 datasets from 18 participants). We excluded individuals with atypical deletions since only eight datasets were available (five longer than Del1, three shorter than Del2). Final analyses were based on 848 datasets from 250 participants (127 females).

A molecular diagnosis was established for each participant using standard diagnostic testing for AS, involving fluorescent in-situ hybridization (FISH), methylation assay analyses, chromosomal microarray, microsatellite marker analysis, or gene sequencing. Supplementary Table 2 provides an overview of resulting diagnostic groupings of datasets entering the final analyses. 671 datasets were complete, i.e., data from all 19 scales were available. A table detailing the number of available assessments per scale can be found in the Supplementary Material (Supplementary Table 3). Since statistical modeling was carried out separately for each scale, we did not exclude any subjects based on missing values.

Clinical Scales

We analyzed data from the Bayley Scales of Infant Development, Third edition (BSID-III), the Vineland Adaptive Behavior Scales, Second edition (VABS-2), the Preschool Language Scale, Fourth edition (PSL-4) (all distributed by Pearson Education Inc., London, www.pearsonclinical.com), and the Clinical Severity Scale (CSS), a scoring tool developed specifically for the ASNHS. All assessments were carried out by trained personnel (physicians and licensed psychologists). The study protocol and tests performed were identical across all sites.

CSS is a severity scale created by the principal investigators at the main sites enrolling patients into the ASNHS and comprises a set of questions about symptoms typical for AS. The CSS has not been published previously and is reported here for the first time. It encompasses 11 assessments of severity: age of onset of epilepsy, current seizure frequency, number of seizure medications currently used,
current somatic growth (weight), current head growth, age of independent sitting, age of independent ambulation, presence/severity of scoliosis, verbal communication capabilities, nonverbal communication capabilities, and mean developmental age. Each assessment is scored on a 4- to 6-point Likert scale. We analyzed the CSS total score (sum of scores from all items). A detailed description of the CSS can be found in the Supplementary material (Supplementary Table 4).

BSID-III (1) is an interactive, play-based developmental assessment encompassing five subscales for fine motor, gross motor, receptive communication, expressive communication, and cognitive development. The BSID-III is normed for typically developing children up to the age of 42 months but is frequently employed to assess individuals with intellectual disability across a broader age span. It has been used to assess individuals with AS of all ages (2).

For some patients, when the psychologist expected or observed ceiling effects in BSID-III, the BSID-III was replaced by other scales (Supplementary Table 8).

VABS-2 (3,4) assesses adaptive behavior and is validated for a wide age range from birth to adulthood. It encompasses eleven subscales for expressive communication, receptive communication, written communication, fine and gross motor development, daily personal living, daily domestic, daily community living, social-interpersonal, social-play-leisure, and social coping abilities. The parent interview form was employed.

PLS-4 (5) is an interactive assessment of language skills in children below 7 years of age, encompassing two subscales for receptive and expressive communication. The PLS-4 and the early items of the expressive and receptive communication domains of the BSID-III share high degree of overlap.

To facilitate interpretation, we assigned all subscales to functional domains. The assignment can be found in Supplementary Table 3.

Data analysis

All analyses were carried out within a linear mixed-effects model framework (LMM) using R (www.r-project.org) and the nlme library (6). A LMM, rather than a fixed-effects regression model, allows and accounts for correlations between repeated measurements from individuals, which makes it a powerful and flexible framework for the analysis of longitudinal data (7,8).

Since the scales analyzed were designed to capture child development, we expected all scores to be age-dependent. There are different data transformations that account for this dependence as provided in the scoring manuals, such as standard scores or developmental quotient tables. However, these tables are derived from typically developing (TD) individuals. Since our main interest was not a comparison between TD individuals and individuals with AS, but rather a description of the AS population including a comparison of different AS subgroups, we did not use TD-based age normalizations. TD-based age normalizations would have interfered with our analyses by introducing flooring effects and would not have accounted for age-dependence in the AS population given the fundamentally different developmental trajectories between individuals with AS and TD individuals (2,9). Therefore, we analyzed raw scores and accounted for age effects within our models, as described below. For the BSID-III scales, we additionally computed growth scale scores according to the manual, see Supplementary material.

We fit a LMM to the raw scores of each subscale and the CSS sum score. We modeled random intercepts per participant (to account for repeated measurements) and per study site (random intercept for each of the six centers of the study, to capture possible experimenter-induced covariance between participants seen at the same site). As fixed effects, we specified a third-order mean-centered orthogonal
polylogarithmic function of age (i.e., a third-order orthogonal polynomial of log₂(age) – mean(log₂(age))). We chose this parameterization as a trade-off between model complexity and flexibility (in particular, to enable the models to capture non-linear developmental trajectories, such as plateauing, across the broad age range analyzed) following visual inspection of the data. Visual inspection was assisted by summary curves using locally estimated scatterplot smoothing (LOESS, Cleveland and Devlin, 1988) (see Figure 1, Supplementary Figs. 2, 3). We chose orthogonal linear, quadratic, and cubic terms for the LMM, such that no collinearity was introduced to the model.

First, we tested for differences between participants with (Del1, Del2) and without (MutT, MutM, IPD, UPD) deletions. For each scale, we compared a model using only age but no genotype information (M1) to a model with additional information about the presence or absence of a deletion and the interaction of the presence or absence of a deletion with age (i.e. with the polylogarithmic function of age, see above) (M2). Since differences between deletion and non-deletion participants have been found in several previous studies, we expected this model to fit the data significantly better than the data without genotype information for all scales. We then separated the dataset into deletion and non-deletion participants and further compared subgroups within them. We tested whether introducing diagnostic information concerning the class of deletion (Del1, Del2) and subtype of non-deletion (MutM, MutT, IPD, UPD) would significantly improve the models. All models were fit using the maximum likelihood (ML) method and were compared using likelihood ratio tests (LRT). The LRT compares the likelihood of the measured data, given a particular (full) model, with the likelihood for a nested (reduced) model. To assess whether the full model (containing one or several additional fixed or random effects compared with the reduced model) fits the data significantly better, the likelihood ratio for both models is subjected to a $\chi^2$ test, since it asymptotically follows the $\chi^2$ distribution under the null hypothesis (11).

When the best model contained the full diagnostic information for the non-deletion group, we performed pair-wise post-hoc comparisons between genotypes. In principle, post-hoc comparisons in a LMM can be carried out by extracting t-values and degrees of freedom (DF) from the model, but DF and p-value estimation is controversial (12). Therefore, we carried out post-hoc comparisons using likelihood ratio test model comparisons, by refitting the models with full genotype information and comparing them to models without genotype information, filtering out one genotype at a time from the dataset. We adjusted the p-values obtained in these post-hoc comparisons using the Benjamini-Hochberg method (13). This method adjusts p-values such that the expected rate of false positive results after adjustment is equal to the specified false discovery rate (FDR, e.g. 0.05).

We used the coefficients of the “best model” for each scale (i.e. the level of genotype detail as found in the analyses reported in Supplementary Table 5 and 6, and Table 1) to predict values at the sample mean ± standard deviation (std) of log-age (3.2, 5.8, 10.7 years) to generate a summarizing visualization of genotype differences (reported in Fig. 3, Supplementary Fig. 4). Furthermore, to investigate possible structure in the inter-individual variability across scales, we performed a factor analysis. To this end, we z-transformed (i.e., subtract mean and divide by standard deviation) the age-corrected data for each clinical scale. The z-transform was performed separately for individuals with and without deletions to ensure the co-variance structure was not driven by group differences between genotypes. We then subjected the normalized data to a factor analysis. Factors were computed using a maximum likelihood algorithm and oblimin rotation. Four factors were extracted, following the result of a Horn-parallel analysis.

We quantified the stability of the scales using intra-class correlation coefficients (ICC) based on the “best model” (see above). Since visits are spaced apart 1 year or more, the ICC values can be considered an upper bound for test-retest reliability, which is normally derived from measurements performed with much shorter intervals.
### Supplementary Tables

| Study                  | N   | Symptoms                                                                 | Results                                                                 | Comment                                                        |
|------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Moncla et al., 1999 (14) | 40  | 1.microcephaly, 2.ambulation delay, 3.age of onset of seizures, 4.seizure frequency | All symptoms more severe in deletion than in non-deletion              |                                                                 |
| Lossie et al., 2001 (15) | 104 | 1.somatic growth delay, 2.gross motor impairment, 3.age of onset of seizures, 4.microcephaly | Symptom 1-3 more severe in deletion than in non-deletion; symptom 4 more severe in Mut and deletion than in IPD and UPD |                                                                 |
| Peters et al., 2004 (9) | 20  | Global development                                                        | Tended to be lower in deletion than in non-deletion                    | Analyses not controlled for age, no inferential statistics reported because of small sample |
| Varela et al., 2004 (16) | 58  | 1.absent speech, 2.independent sitting, 3.swallowing disorders, 4.hypotonia, 5.microcephaly 6.seizures | Symptoms 1 and 2 more severe in Del1 than in Del2; symptoms 3-6 more severe in deletion than in UPD. | 49 participants with deletions, only 9 with UPD                  |
| Sahoo et al., 2006 (17) | 22  | 1.cognitive delay, 2.language impairment, 3.autism diagnosis              | Symptoms 1-2 more severe in Del1 than in Del2; autism diagnosis more frequent in Del1 than in Del2 | Only participants with deletions                                |
| Gentile et al., 2010 (2) | 92  | 1.cognitive skills, 2.gross and fine motor skills, 3.receptive language skills | All skills higher in non-deletion than in deletion; no differences found between Del1 and Del2 | This study used a subset of our participant sample and part of the same assessment measures. |
| Luk and Lo, 2016 (18)   | 52  | 1.epilepsy, 2. microcephaly, 3. sleep problems                           | Epilepsy and microcephaly more common and sleep problems less common in deletion compared to non-deletion AS |                                                                 |
| Shaaya et al., 2016 (19) | 85  | epilepsy                                                                  | Epilepsy is higher for deletion compared to non-deletion AS           | No formal statistical comparison                                 |
| Bindels-de Heus et al., 2020 (20) | 100 | 1.epilepsy (age of onset, types, and other related parameters), 2. growth parameters, 3. development (cognitive, motor, communication, using BSID-III) | More severe phenotype for deletion compared to non-deletion for epilepsy and developmental parameters |                                                                 |

*Supplementary Table 1. Review of developmental and clinical differences between AS genotypes reported in previous studies.*
| Genotype   | # Participants (Datasets) | Fraction of genotypes |
|------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Del1       | 69 (233)                 | 27.6%                 |
| Del2       | 102 (352)                | 40.8%                 |
| Del1&2     | 171 (585)                | 68.4%                 |
| UPD        | 28 (80)                  | 11.2%                 |
| IPD        | 21 (91)                  | 8.4%                  |
| Mut        | 30 (92)                  | 12.0%                 |
| MutM       | 14 (43)                  | 5.6%                  |
| MutT       | 16 (49)                  | 6.4%                  |
| Non-del    | 79 (236)                 | 31.6%                 |
| All        | 250 (848)                | 100.0%                |

**Supplementary Table 2.** Number of participants and dataset (in parentheses) analyzed by genotype. Right column provides percentages of the total number of participants analyzed.

| Scale                  | Datasets | Participants | Domain         |
|------------------------|----------|--------------|----------------|
| BSID-III cognitive     | 781      | 244          | cognitive      |
| BSID-III receptive comm.| 780      | 244          | communication  |
| BSID-III expressive comm. | 781    | 244          | communication  |
| BSID-III fine motor    | 779      | 245          | motor          |
| BSID-III gross motor   | 791      | 247          | motor          |
| VABS receptive comm.   | 823      | 249          | communication  |
| VABS expressive comm.  | 823      | 249          | communication  |
| VABS written comm.     | 813      | 246          | communication  |
| VABS daily personal    | 822      | 249          | daily living   |
| VABS daily domestic    | 822      | 249          | daily living   |
| VABS daily community   | 822      | 249          | daily living   |
| VABS social interpersonal | 822   | 249          | social         |
| VABS social play leisure | 822   | 249          | social         |
| VABS social coping     | 822      | 249          | social         |
| VABS gross motor       | 764      | 244          | motor          |
| VABS fine motor        | 764      | 244          | motor          |
| PSL auditory           | 801      | 247          | communication  |
| PSL expressive         | 801      | 247          | communication  |
| Clinical Severity Scale | 789     | 241          | clinical       |

**Supplementary Table 3.** Number of data-points and individual participants by scale.
# Severity Score

| Manifestation                              | Score | Definition                                                                 |
|--------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| **Seizures**                               |       |                                                                            |
| Age of onset of seizures                   | 0     | Never had seizures                                                        |
|                                            | 1     | ≥30 mos                                                                    |
|                                            | 2     | 18mos to <30 mos                                                           |
|                                            | 3     | 12mos to <18mos                                                            |
|                                            | 4     | 6mos to <12mos                                                             |
|                                            | 5     | <6 mos                                                                     |
| Epilepsy/Seizures at this visit            | 0     | Absent                                                                     |
|                                            | 1     | <monthly                                                                    |
|                                            | 2     | < weekly to monthly seizures                                               |
|                                            | 3     | Weekly                                                                     |
|                                            | 4     | More than weekly                                                           |
|                                            | 5     | Infantile spasms                                                          |
| Number of seizure Medications              | 0     | None                                                                       |
|                                            | 1     | 1                                                                          |
|                                            | 2     | 2                                                                          |
|                                            | 3     | 3                                                                          |
|                                            | 4     | 4                                                                          |
|                                            | 5     | ≥5 OR requiring ketogenic diet OR vagal nerve stimulator                   |
| **Growth**                                 |       |                                                                            |
| Somatic growth at this visit               | 0     | No growth failure                                                          |
|                                            | 1     | decrease in weight >1SD (10%≤w≤25%)                                         |
|                                            | 2     | decrease in weight >2SD (3%≤w≤10)                                           |
|                                            | 3     | decrease in weight >3SD                                                     |
|                                            | 4     | decrease in weight >4SD                                                     |
| Head growth                                | 0     | ≥25%                                                                       |
|                                            | 1     | 11 -25%                                                                    |
|                                            | 2     | 2-10%                                                                      |
|                                            | 3     | <2 %                                                                       |
| Independent sitting by exam                | 0     | Sits alone acquired ≤8months                                               |
|                                            | 1     | Sit with delayed acquisition (9 to 17 months)                              |
|                                            | 2     | Sit with delayed acquisition (18 to 30 months)                             |
|                                            | 3     | Sit with delayed acquisition >30 months                                    |
|                                            | 4     | Lost                                                                       |
|                                            | 5     | Never acquired                                                             |
| **Motor**                                  |       |                                                                            |
| Ambulation by exam                         | 0     | Acquired <18 months/ Ataxic gait                                            |
|                                            | 1     | 18ms<walks alone≤30ms (walks alone 18-30 months)                           |
|                                            | 2     | Walks alone >30 months                                                     |
|                                            | 3     | Walks with assistance >30 months                                           |
|                                            | 4     | Lost                                                                       |
|                                            | 5     | Never acquired                                                             |
| Scoliosis (assessed radiographically) | 0 | None or never had radiographs |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
|                                      | 1 | 1° to <20°                     |
|                                      | 2 | 20° to <40°                    |
|                                      | 3 | 40° to <60°                    |
|                                      | 4 | ≥60°                          |
|                                      | 5 | Surgery                       |

| Verbal Language                     | 0 | phrase speech                 |
|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|
|                                     | 1 | >10 single words             |
|                                     | 2 | up to 10 single words        |
|                                     | 3 | no words, babbling (vowels/consonants strung together) |
|                                     | 4 | grunts & non-word utterances (vowels only) |
|                                     | 5 | No vocalization              |

| Nonverbal Language                  | 0 | Communication device (PECS, Alphasmart, etc.) |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------------------|
|                                     | 1 | uses signs and gestures (unprompted)          |
|                                     | 2 | uses signs and gestures (prompted)            |
|                                     | 3 | no signs or gestures                         |

| Mean developmental age              | 0 | Appropriate for age to 0.5 SD below mean      |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------------------|
|                                     | 1 | 0.6 – 1.5 SD below mean                      |
|                                     | 2 | 1.6 – 2.5 SD below mean                      |
|                                     | 3 | 2.6 – 3.5 SD below mean                      |
|                                     | 4 | 3.6 – 4.5 SD below mean                      |
|                                     | 5 | > 4.5 SD below mean                          |

*Supplementary Table 4. Items of the clinical severity scale (CSS).*
| Scale                        | $\chi^2$ | $p$     | genotype fixed effect | $t_{\text{MAIN}}$ | Domain                        |
|-----------------------------|---------|--------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| BSID-III cognitive          | 192.45  | <.001  | 14.3                  | 14.76             | cognitive                     |
| BSID-III receptive comm.    | 225.4   | <.001  | 9.26                  | 15.18             | communication                 |
| BSID-III expressive comm.   | 128.14  | <.001  | 5.79                  | 11.73             | communication                 |
| BSID-III fine motor         | 230.84  | <.001  | 10.2                  | 15.18             | motor                         |
| BSID-III gross motor        | 107.24  | <.001  | 6.94                  | 10.08             | motor                         |
| VABS receptive comm.        | 160.23  | <.001  | 8.01                  | 12.81             | communication                 |
| VABS expressive comm.       | 124.37  | <.001  | 7.8                   | 11.87             | communication                 |
| VABS written comm.          | 135.1   | <.001  | 1.64                  | 7.7               | communication                 |
| VABS daily personal         | 167.22  | <.001  | 11.56                 | 11.37             | daily living                  |
| VABS daily domestic         | 138.7   | <.001  | 5.1                   | 11.31             | daily living                  |
| VABS daily community        | 117.29  | <.001  | 4.34                  | 9.84              | daily living                  |
| VABS social interpersonal   | 139.24  | <.001  | 6.37                  | 11.84             | social                        |
| VABS social play leisure    | 93.19   | <.001  | 6.13                  | 8.57              | social                        |
| VABS social coping          | 134.97  | <.001  | 5.05                  | 10.48             | social                        |
| VABS gross motor            | 82.68   | <.001  | 11.58                 | 9.19              | motor                         |
| VABS fine motor             | 166.86  | <.001  | 8.99                  | 12.61             | motor                         |
| PSL auditory                | 183.9   | <.001  | 7.41                  | 14.21             | communication                 |
| PSL expressive              | 106.98  | <.001  | 4.99                  | 11.3              | communication                 |
| Clinical Severity Scale     | 112.1   | <.001  | 6.46                  | 10.48             | clinical                      |

**Supplementary Table 5.** Differences in clinical features between deletion and non-deletion AS. All statistics have been obtained in model-comparing likelihood ratio tests ($df = 4$); $\chi^2$- and $p$-values effectively reflect main effect and deletion × age interaction together, $t$-values reflect main effect of deletion and thereby indicate the direction of the effect at mean log age. $P$-values have been corrected for multiple comparisons using FDR. Unadjusted $p$-values can be found in the Supplementary Table 9. The 'genotype fixed effect' column shows the main effect of genotype as estimated by the LMM models, in units of raw points. Positive values index better performance of non-deletion compared to deletion participants.
| Scale                                      | $\chi^2$ | $p$   | Deletion class fixed effect | $t_{\text{MAIN}}$ | Domain     |
|--------------------------------------------|---------|-------|----------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| BSID-III cognitive                         | 6.2     | .314  | 1.1                        | 1.4                 | cognitive  |
| BSID-III receptive comm.                   | 3.9     | .528  | 1.0                        | 1.8                 | communication |
| BSID-III expressive comm.                  | 2.3     | .681  | 0.4                        | 1.0                 | communication |
| BSID-III fine motor                        | 12.1    | .088  | 0.5                        | 1.3                 | motor      |
| BSID-III gross motor                       | 6.5     | .314  | 1.2                        | 1.9                 | motor      |
| VABS receptive comm.                       | 3.2     | .614  | 1.2                        | 1.5                 | communication |
| VABS expressive comm.                      | 2.4     | .681  | 0.3                        | 0.5                 | communication |
| VABS written comm.                         | 11.9    | .088  | 0.4                        | 1.7                 | communication |
| VABS daily personal                        | 6.9     | .314  | 1.3                        | 1.4                 | daily living |
| VABS daily domestic                        | 5.8     | .338  | 0.5                        | 1.4                 | daily living |
| VABS daily community                       | 8.3     | .258  | 0.5                        | 1.0                 | daily living |
| VABS social interpersonal                  | 6.3     | .314  | 0.7                        | 1.3                 | social     |
| VABS social play leisure                   | 4.9     | .406  | 0.2                        | 0.5                 | social     |
| VABS social coping                         | 3.1     | .614  | 0.4                        | 1.0                 | social     |
| VABS gross motor                           | 13.7    | .080  | 3.1                        | 2.3                 | motor      |
| VABS fine motor                            | 8.3     | .258  | 0.9                        | 1.6                 | motor      |
| PSL auditory                               | 7.4     | .314  | 1.0                        | 2.4                 | communication |
| PSL expressive                              | 5.6     | .338  | 0.7                        | 1.9                 | communication |
| Clinical Severity Scale                    | 20.7    | .007  | 2.1                        | 3.4                 | clinical   |

**Supplementary Table 6.** Differences in clinical features between deletion class 1 and deletion class 2. $T$-values for main effect of deletion length (Del1 vs. Del2). $P$-values have been obtained in likelihood ratio tests (df = 4) and corrected for multiple comparisons using FDR. Unadjusted $p$-values can be found in the Supplementary Table 9. The ‘genotype fixed effect’ column indicates the main effect of genotype as estimated by the LMM models, in units of raw points. Positive values index better performance of Del2 participants.
| Scale                                    | ICC   | Domain        |
|------------------------------------------|-------|---------------|
| BSID-III cognitive                       | 0.71  | cognitive     |
| BSID-III receptive comm.                 | 0.65  | communication |
| BSID-III expressive comm.                | 0.57  | communication |
| BSID-III fine motor                      | 0.68  | motor         |
| BSID-III gross motor                     | 0.73  | motor         |
| VABS receptive comm.                     | 0.61  | communication |
| VABS expressive comm.                    | 0.63  | communication |
| VABS written comm.                       | 0.42  | communication |
| VABS daily personal                      | 0.66  | daily living  |
| VABS daily domestic                      | 0.53  | daily living  |
| VABS daily community                     | 0.44  | daily living  |
| VABS social interpersonal                | 0.54  | social        |
| VABS social play leisure                 | 0.46  | social        |
| VABS social coping                       | 0.49  | social        |
| VABS gross motor                         | 0.68  | motor         |
| VABS fine motor                          | 0.66  | motor         |
| PSL auditory                             | 0.65  | communication |
| PSL expressive                           | 0.58  | communication |
| BSID-III cognitive growth score          | 0.70  | cognitive     |
| BSID-III receptive growth score          | 0.60  | communication |
| BSID-III expressive growth score         | 0.56  | communication |
| BSID-III fine growth score               | 0.66  | motor         |
| BSID-III gross growth score              | 0.72  | motor         |
| Clinical Severity Scale                  | 0.78  | clinical      |

**Supplementary Table 7.** Stability of scales. Intra-class correlation coefficients (ICC) quantify the between-subject variance relative to the total variance while accounting for variance related to the interaction of age (3rd order polynomial) and genotype and site. The visits are spaced 1 year and more apart. Thus, changes in scores reflect a combination of limited test-retest reliability and true change over time. The values can therefore be considered a lower bound for test-retest reliability.
| Genotype | # Participants (Datasets) | Ceiling in BSID-III # Participants (Datasets) | Fraction of visits |
|----------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Del1     | 69 (233)                 | 0 (0)                                         | 0.0%              |
| Del2     | 102 (352)                | 1 (3)                                         | 1.0%              |
| Del1&2   | 171 (585)                | 1 (3)                                         | 0.6%              |
| UPD      | 28 (80)                  | 3 (3)                                         | 10.7%             |
| IPD      | 21 (91)                  | 8 (13)                                        | 38.1%             |
| Mut      | 30 (92)                  | 9 (18)                                        | 30.0%             |
| MutM     | 14 (43)                  | 4 (8)                                         | 28.6%             |
| MutT     | 16 (49)                  | 5 (10)                                        | 31.3%             |
| Non-del  | 79 (236)                 | 20 (34)                                       | 25.3%             |
| All      | 250 (848)                | 21 (37)                                       | 8.4%              |

**Supplemental Table 8.** Left: Number of participants and dataset (in parentheses) analyzed by genotype (same as Supplemental Table 2). Right: Individuals and datasets (in parentheses) with “ceiling” of BSID-III (i.e. individuals and datasets where BSID-III was not performed since the capabilities were beyond what is captured by BSID-III as judged by the evaluator). The fraction of participants with ceiling differed significantly between deletion AS (Del1, Del2; 1 of 171 individuals with ceiling) and non-deletion AS (MutM, MutT, IPD, UPD; 20 of 79 individuals with ceiling) (Chi-square test; \( p = 5.6 \times 10^{-11} \)). The fraction of participants with ceiling did not differ significantly between MutM, MutT and IPD genotypes (Chi-square tests; \( p > 0.56 \)). However, the fraction of participants with ceiling did differ significantly between UPD (3 of 28 individuals with ceiling) and the other non-deletion genotypes combined (MutM, MutT, IPD; 17 of 51 individuals with ceiling) (Chi-square tests; \( p = 0.027 \)).
| Scale                             | Del vs NDel | Del1 vs Del2 | IPD vs Mut | IPD vs UPD | UPD vs Mut | Domain        |
|----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| BSID-III cognitive               | .000        | .182         | 0.227      | 0.030      | 0.003      | cognitive    |
| BSID-III receptive comm.         | .000        | .417         | 0.859      | 0.033      | 0.001      | communication|
| BSID-III expressive comm.        | .000        | .681         | #NA        | #NA        | #NA        | communication|
| BSID-III fine motor              | .000        | .016         | 0.584      | 0.102      | 0.008      | motor        |
| BSID-III gross motor             | .000        | .167         | 0.208      | 0.178      | 0.006      | motor        |
| VABS receptive comm.             | .000        | .519         | #NA        | #NA        | #NA        | communication|
| VABS expressive comm.            | .000        | .660         | 0.034      | 0.049      | 0.053      | communication|
| VABS written comm.               | .000        | .018         | 0.164      | 0.005      | 0.000      | communication|
| VABS daily personal              | .000        | .140         | #NA        | #NA        | #NA        | daily living |
| VABS daily domestic              | .000        | .215         | 0.182      | 0.000      | 0.001      | daily living |
| VABS daily community             | .000        | .080         | 0.552      | 0.000      | 0.000      | daily living |
| VABS social interpersonal        | .000        | .175         | 0.848      | 0.012      | 0.002      | social       |
| VABS social play leisure         | .000        | .299         | 0.959      | 0.004      | 0.001      | social       |
| VABS social coping               | .000        | .549         | #NA        | #NA        | #NA        | social       |
| VABS gross motor                 | .000        | .008         | 0.187      | 0.006      | 0.031      | motor        |
| VABS fine motor                  | .000        | .081         | 0.585      | 0.031      | 0.000      | motor        |
| PSL auditory                     | .000        | .118         | 0.060      | 0.053      | 0.000      | communication|
| PSL expressive                   | .000        | .231         | 0.021      | 0.382      | 0.000      | communication|
| Clinical Severity Scale          | .000        | .000         | 0.141      | 0.010      | 0.049      | clinical     |

**Supplementary Table 9.** Unadjusted p-values from the pairwise post-hoc tests (see Tables 1, 2, Supplementary Tables 5, 6, 10 for FDR corrected p-values).
| Scale                          | $\chi^2$ | p     | t-value | genotype fixed effect | difference index [%] | Domain        |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| BSID-III cognitive            | 55.1    | <.001 | 10.5    | 10.5                  | 32.8                 | cognitive     |
| BSID-III receptive comm.      | 56.4    | <.001 | 7.2     | 7.2                   | 26.6                 | communication |
| BSID-III expressive comm.     | 52.2    | <.001 | 5.2     | 5.2                   | 3.9                  | communication |
| BSID-III fine motor          | 67.9    | <.001 | 7.5     | 7.5                   | 30.7                 | motor         |
| BSID-III gross motor         | 30.7    | <.001 | 4.8     | 4.8                   | -37.5                | motor         |
| VABS receptive comm.         | 37.9    | <.001 | 5.8     | 5.8                   | 37.0                 | communication |
| VABS expressive comm.        | 41.2    | <.001 | 5.6     | 5.6                   | 24.1                 | communication |
| VABS written comm.           | 9.1     | 0.061 | 0.7     | 0.7                   | 73.9                 | communication |
| VABS daily personal          | 37.2    | <.001 | 8.9     | 8.9                   | 15.1                 | daily living  |
| VABS daily domestic          | 30.7    | <.001 | 3.1     | 3.1                   | 40.9                 | daily living  |
| VABS daily community         | 18.0    | <.001 | 3.0     | 3.0                   | 40.2                 | daily living  |
| VABS social interpersonal    | 33.0    | <.001 | 5.3     | 5.3                   | 25.6                 | social        |
| VABS social play leisure     | 7.3     | 0.121 | 2.6     | 2.6                   | 65.9                 | social        |
| VABS social coping           | 42.9    | <.001 | 4.5     | 4.5                   | 12.9                 | social        |
| VABS gross motor             | 28.0    | <.001 | 7.2     | 7.2                   | -20.8                | motor         |
| VABS fine motor              | 38.3    | <.001 | 6.8     | 6.8                   | 28.1                 | motor         |
| PSL auditory                 | 43.6    | <.001 | 5.3     | 5.3                   | 32.9                 | communication |
| PSL expressive                | 37.6    | <.001 | 4.3     | 4.3                   | -12.1                | communication |
| Clinical Severity Scale      | 35.6    | <.001 | 3.9     | 3.9                   | 30.6                 | clinical      |

**Supplementary Table 10.** Pair-wise post-hoc comparisons between UPD and Del2. P-values have been obtained through model-comparing likelihood-ratio tests and are corrected for multiple comparisons using FDR. The “genotype fixed effect” column indicates the magnitude of (numerical) group differences. Positive values index better performance for UPD. Unadjusted p-values can be found in the Supplementary Table 9. The difference index expresses the difference between UPD and MutT relative to the difference between Del2 and MutT (((UPD-(MutT))/(DEL2-(MutT))*100%, derived from age-corrected data, cf. Fig. 3). The ‘genotype fixed effect’ column indexes the fixed main effect of genotype (positive values index better performance for UPD participants), estimated by the LMM models, in units of raw points.
| Scale                           | F1        | F2     | F3        | F4            | Domain               |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|---------------|----------------------|
| BSID-III cognitive             | 0.6       |        |           |               | cognitive            |
| BSID-III receptive comm.       | 1.0       |        |           |               | communication        |
| BSID-III expressive comm.      |           | 0.9    |           |               | communication        |
| BSID-III fine motor           | 0.6       |        |           |               | motor                |
| BSID-III gross motor          |           | 0.9    |           |               | motor                |
| VABS receptive comm.          | 0.4       |        |           |               | communication        |
| VABS expressive comm.         |           | 0.5    |           |               | communication        |
| VABS written comm.            |           | 0.5    |           |               | communication        |
| VABS daily personal           |           | 0.5    |           |               | daily living         |
| VABS daily domestic           |           | 0.5    |           |               | daily living         |
| VABS daily community          |           | 0.7    |           |               | daily living         |
| VABS social interpersonal    |           | 0.7    |           |               | social               |
| VABS social play leisure      |           | 0.8    |           |               | social               |
| VABS social coping            |           | 0.6    |           |               | social               |
| VABS gross motor              |           |        | 0.9       |               | motor                |
| VABS fine motor               |           | 0.5    |           |               | motor                |
| PSL auditory                  |           | 0.9    |           |               | communication        |
| PSL expressive                |           | 0.8    |           |               | communication        |
| Clinical Severity Scale       |           |        |           | 0.4           | clinical             |

**Supplementary Table 11.** Factor analysis: evidence for construct validity. The different clinical scales investigated test partially overlapping concepts. We hypothesized that scales designed to measure similar concepts such as e.g. gross motor symptoms or communication, would be highly correlated and map to one factor in a factor analysis. If this was the case it would provide evidence for the validity of the scales within the AS population. We therefore performed a factor analysis with all 19 age normalized and z-scored scales derived from the three factor model. The table shows the single highest rotated factor loading for each scale. The factor structure seems plausible: Factor 1 clusters scales capturing auditory receptive communication (but not the respective VABS scale), cognitive and fine motor abilities, Factor 2 clusters scales capturing gross motor skills and the CSS, which has several items related to motor skills as well, Factor 3 clusters scales capturing expressive communication, Factor 4 clusters scales capturing several higher-level skills measured by the VABS-III (daily living and social skills scales, written communication skills). Thus, there is a correspondence between the different scales that should measure similar domains, suggesting that meaningful variance is captured by these scales in the AS population.
Supplementary Figures

Supplementary Figure 1. Number of datasets by visit year and participant age.
Supplementary Figure 2. BSID-III growth scale scores for deletion and non-deletion AS. Lines show spline fits (see BSID-III manual for details on growth-scale scores). Gray bands indicate median scores and inter-quartile ranges from a typically developing sample (data from the scale manuals, available for up to 3.5 years of age). Values from the same participant are connected by thin lines. Thick lines are the LOESS smoothing curves for deletion (blue) and non-deletion (red) participants.
Supplementary Figure 3. Raw data and norm scores (where available) for the VABS-II, PSL, and CSS scales as a function of age. Gray lines indicate median scores from a typically developing sample where available (VABS-II). Values from the same participant are connected by thin lines. Thick lines are the LOESS smoothing curves for deletion (blue) and non-deletion (red) participants. Note that these curves are cross-sectional data summaries, i.e., they do not account for within-subject longitudinal effects and are used for qualitative inspection of the developmental trajectory.
**Supplementary Figure 4.** Comparisons of scores for different genotypes predicted for values at one standard deviation below and above the mean of log₂ of age (3.2 and 10.7 years). Z-standardized data from all participants and visits, derived from the respective ‘winning’ model. See Fig 3 for mean (5.2 years).
Supplementary Figure 5. Cumulative number of individuals where BSID-III was not performed (due to expected ceiling) over age at assessment.
**Supplementary Figure 6.** Correlations between scales. Data have been corrected for age differences and for differences between deletion and non-deletion (see Patients and Methods and Supplementary Table 11).
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