The Kidney-Genetics Documentation

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# Preface

This documentation is intended to describe the [Kidney-Genetics](https://github.com/halbritter-lab/kidney-genetics) project.

## Objective

How can we address the lack of a unified and standardized database of kidney disease-associated genes, which hampers diagnosis, treatment, and research comparability in the field of kidney diseases?

## Methods

To create a comprehensive and standardized database of kidney-related genes, we employed the following methods:

1. Utilized data from Genomics England and Australia PanelApp.
2. Conducted a comprehensive literature review of published gene lists.
3. Collected information from clinical diagnostic panels for kidney disease.
4. Performed a Human Phenotype Ontology (HPO)-based search in rare disease databases (OMIM, Orphanet).
5. Employed a PubTator API-based automated literature extraction from PubMed.

We also developed an evidence-scoring system to differentiate highly confirmed disease genes from candidate genes.

## 0.1 Results

The “Kidney-Genetics” database currently includes detailed information on 2,906 kidney-associated genes. Notably, 439 genes (15.1%) are present in three or more of the analyzed information sources, indicating high confidence and their potential for diagnostic use.

To ensure currency, Kidney-Genetics will be regularly and automatically updated. We will also provide phenotypic and functional clustering results to facilitate gene grouping.

## 0.2 Conclusion

Kidney-Genetics is a comprehensive and freely accessible database that researchers can use to analyze genomic data related to kidney diseases. The database is regularly updated through a standardized pipeline and an automated system, ensuring it remains up-to-date with the latest advancements in kidney research and diagnostics.

By utilizing Kidney-Genetics, clinicians and researchers can enhance their understanding of the genetic aspects of kidney disorders.

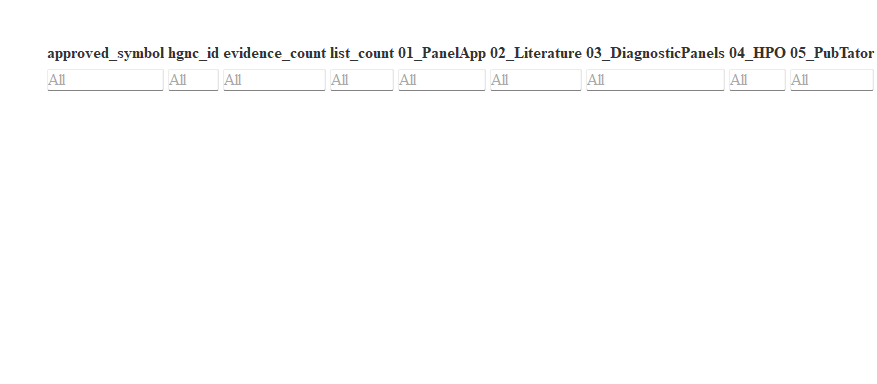
## 0.3 Outlook

Future goals include manual curation and the assignment of diagnostic genes to specific nephrological disease groups, such as syndromic vs. isolated, adult- vs. pediatric-onset, and cystic vs. nephrotic, among others.

# 1 Analyses result tables

## 1.1 Main table: Merged analyses sources

This table shows the merged results of all analyses files as a wide table with summarized information.



## 1.2 Result table: PanelApp

This table shows results of the first analysis searching kidney disease associated genes from the PanelApp project in the UK and Australia.



## 1.3 Result table: Literature

This table shows results of the second analysis searching kidney disease associated genes from various publications.



## 1.4 Result table: Diagnostic panels

This table shows results of the third analysis searching kidney disease associated genes from clinical diagnostic panels for kidney disease.



## 1.5 Result table: HPO in rare disease databases

This table shows results of the fourth analysis searching kidney disease associated genes from a Human Phenotype Ontology (HPO)-based search in rare disease databases (OMIM, Orphanet).



## 1.6 Result table: PubTator

This table shows results of the fifth analysis searching kidney disease associated genes from a PubTator API-based automated literature extraction from PubMed.

