

PHENOTYPIC CLUES TO DIAGNOSIS OF CONGENITAL MYASTHENIC SYNDROMES

Phenotype Clue	AChE deficient	ChAT deficient	AChR deficient	Dok7 myasthenia	Rapsyn myasthenia	Glycosylation deficits
Dominant inheritance			SC			
Selective weakness dorsal forearm			SC			
Predominantly limb-girdle distribution				X		X
Congenital contractures		X	X		X	
Sudden apneic episodes provoked by fever or stress		X			X	
Worsened or refractory with AChE inhibitors	X			X		
Repetitive CMAP	X		SC			
Induced by subtetanic stimulation followed by slow recovery		X				

Abbreviations: AChE, acetylcholinesterase; AChR, acetylcholine receptor; ChAT, choline acetyltransferase; CMAP, change in muscle action potential; SC slow channel. syndrome.