

Supplementary Table S1. PCR and sequencing primers

Primers	Sequence 5' > 3'	Position of primers^{a/b}
<i>Primers used for PTT analysis</i>		
RPB_1F_PTT	^c CTCAGCTGTGAGGAGAAGGA	225-244 ^b
RPB_4R	AGAGGTTGCTTCCAGGCTAAGAC	1339-1361 ^b
<i>Primers used for PCR and DNA breakpoint analysis</i>		
Deletion of exons 7 - 8		
PB2_i5FWD	AGTGGGTAATGCAGGCAGA	17017-17035 ^a
PB2_i9REV	CAGGTTTCAGAGAAAGTTGGGTAA	23443-23466 ^a
PB2_i6f_4	AATCTTTCATGGGCCGGGCA	19427-19446 ^a
Deletion of exons 9 - 10		
PB2_i7FWD	ACCAAGCATAATTTTTGGCTGC	22228-22249 ^a
PB2_i11REV	CTGCTTATGACTTACTGCTCTCAC	32407-32430 ^a
PB2_i10r_4	CTGTTAGGTTCTCTGACAAACAC	26698-26721 ^a
Duplication of exons 9 - 11		
PB2_i10FWD	GTTTGTGGGAAGAATGTGATCAGC	32221-32241 ^a
PB2_i9REV	TTACCCAACTTTCTCTGAAACCTG	23443-23466 ^a
PB2_i11f_11	GGAGACTGAAACTTGAACCTC	36251-36271 ^a
<i>Primers used for cDNA analysis</i>		
RPB_1f	AGCTGATCGCGCACTGAGG	61-79 ^b
RPB_4R	AGAGGTTGCTTCCAGGCTAAGAC	1339-1361 ^b
RPB_4F	TCTCCCAGTGACACTCTTGATG	1269-1290 ^b
RPB_5R	ACAGAGTCACAGTCACAGGTAG	2593-2614 ^b
RPB_5F	TCGACAGTTCAGGCAGCCCAG	2527-2547 ^b
RPB_13r	ACATCCAAGATCAGTGGTGCTACC	3909-3932 ^b
<i>Primers used for HRM analysis</i>		
PB2_2f	GACTCCACCTTTCCACTTGC	8179-8198 ^a
PB2_2r	GAGACAAAAACAGCCCCAGAAA	8378-8399 ^a
PB2_3f	AGAAAACGTATTTCTGGGGCTG	8368-8389 ^a
PB2_3r	CAATAGCCAAAATATACCTGGGAAATG	8547-8573 ^a
PB2_4Bf	CCAGGAGGATTACCTATACAAAGAACA	10149-10175 ^a
PB2_4Br	ACTGGTTCTGGAGAATCTGGAAG	10428-10450 ^a
PB2_4Cf	GCAAAAATCCTGCTAGATCACCA	10363-10385 ^a
PB2_4Cr	CTGCTACCTTTAGGAGGAATGTG	10602-10624 ^a
PB2_4Df	AGGGCGACTACAGTTCCTTTA	10542-10562 ^a
PB2_4Dr	CTGGTAAGTTATTGTAGGTGAGTTCA	10802-10827 ^a
PB2_4Ff	TAGCCTGGAAGCAACCTCTC	10955-10573 ^a
PB2_4Fr	TGAACTGGTTGTCCTGTGC	11218-11237 ^a
PB2_5Af	TGTTGGGTTTTGTTACTATTTTGTGAC	15845-15871 ^a
PB2_5Ar	GACTCAGTTCCTCTGGAAAAATACA	16161-16185 ^a
PB2_13f	TTTGGATATGTAATCTGAATTATATCTTCTTG	42645-42677 ^a
PB2_13r	AGGCCCAATATATCCAGAAAATTG	42920-42943 ^a

NCBI reference sequence NG_007406.1^a or NM_024675.3^b

^c the sequence 5'-GCTAATACGACTCACTATAGGAACAGACCACCATG-3' contains a T7 RNA polymerase promoter and an initiation codon.

Supplementary Table S2. Identified missense variants in *PALB2* gene not previously reported.

Exon	mRNA change ^a	Protein change	SIFT	PolyPhen	GVGD
3	c.193C>T	p.P65S	tolerated	benign	class C0
4	c.394G>A	p.V132I	tolerated	benign	class C0
4	c.1610C>T	p.S537L	tolerated	benign	class C0
9	c.3181T>C	p.F994S	damaging	probably damaging	class C0
12	c.3228T>A	p.H1076Q	tolerated	benign	class C0

^aPosition in mRNA and protein sequence is according to the NCBI reference sequences NM_024675.3 and NP_078951.2.

Supplementary Table S3. Frequency of mutations in the *BRCA1*, *BRCA2* and *PALB2* genes identified in our high-risk patients.

Group (N)	<i>BRCA1</i> mutated (%)	<i>BRCA2</i> mutated (%)	<i>PALB2</i> mutated (%)	Negatively tested (%)
<i>Familial cases (470)</i>				
^a HBC families (296)	41 (13.9)	20 (6.8)	13 (4.4)	222 (75.0)
^b HBOC families (158)	57 (36.1)	11 (7.0)	0	90 (57.0)
^c HOC families (16)	6 (37.5)	3 (18.8)	0	7 (43.8)
<i>Non-familial cases (99)</i>				
Male BC (24)	0	2 (8.3)	1 (4.2)	21 (87.5)
Bilateral BC, 1 st at < 50 years (48)	8 (16.7)	1 (2.1)	1 (2.1)	38 (79.2)
Tumor duplicity, BC + OC (27)	6 (22.2)	3 (11.1)	1 (3.7)	17 (63.0)

^aHBC, hereditary breast cancer; ^bHBOC, hereditary breast and ovarian cancer; ^cHOC, hereditary ovarian cancer.

Note: A *PALB2* mutation analysis was not performed in the carriers of *BRCA1* or *BRCA2* mutation.