## Table S3

Comparison using the Fisher's exact test, of the number of patients having had a severe bacterial infection at least once in their follow-up, in the presence and
in the absence of the genotype.

|  | Number of cases having had severe bacterial infections |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Genotype | Presence | Absence | OR (95\% CI) | Fisher's exact test ${ }^{1} \mathrm{p}$-value |
| Individual loci |  |  |  |  |  |
| -196 to -174del |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ins/Ins |  | 5 | 45 |  |  |
| Ins/Del |  | 3 | 36 |  | 1 |
| Del/Del |  | 1 | 5 |  | 1 |
| Del | Presence | 4 | 41 |  |  |
|  | Absence | 5 | 45 |  | 1 |
| Ins | Presence | 8 | 81 |  |  |
|  | Absence | 1 | 5 |  | 1 |
| rs4696480 |  |  |  |  |  |
| TT |  | 4 | 29 |  |  |
| TA |  | 5 | 38 |  | 1 |
| AA |  | 0 | 19 |  | 0.2836 |
| A | Presence | 5 | 57 |  |  |


|  | Absence | 4 | 29 | 0.7145 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| T | Presence | 9 | 67 |  |
|  | Absence | 0 | 19 | 0.1966 |
| GTn (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ intron) ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |
| [Other than S]/[Other than S] |  | 7 | 68 |  |
| [Other than S/S] |  | 2 | 15 | 1 |
| S/S |  | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| S | Presence | 2 | 18 |  |
|  | Absence | 7 | 68 | 1 |
| [Other than S] | Presence | 9 | 83 |  |
|  | Absence | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Haplotypes ${ }^{\text {3,4 }}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Hap1 as an allele |  |  |  |  |
| Hap1/Hap1 |  | 0 | 5 |  |
| Hap1/[Other than Hap1] |  | 1 | 18 | 1 |
| [Other than Hap1]/[Other than Hap1] |  | 8 | 63 | 1 |
| Hap1 | Presence | 1 | 23 |  |
|  | Absence | 8 | 63 | 0.4409 |
| [Other than Hap1] | Presence | 9 | 81 |  |
|  | Absence | 0 | 5 | 1 |

Hap2 as an allele

| Hap2/Hap2 |  | 0 | 0 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hap2/[Other than Hap2] |  | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| [Other than Hap2][Other than Hap2] |  | 8 | 82 | 1 |
| Hap2 | Presence | 1 | 4 |  |
|  | Absence | 8 | 82 | 0.3989 |
| [Other than Hap2] | Presence | 9 | 86 |  |
|  | Absence | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Hap3 as an allele |  |  |  |  |
| Hap3/Hap3 |  | 3 | 23 |  |
| Hap3/[Other than Hap3] |  | 5 | 42 | 1 |
| [Other than Hap3][[Other than Hap3] |  | 1 | 21 | 0.6142 |
| Hap3 | Presence | 8 | 65 |  |
|  | Absence | 1 | 21 | 0.4593 |
| [Other than Hap3] | Presence | 6 | 63 |  |
|  | Absence | 3 | 23 | 0.7016 |
| Hap4 as an allele |  |  |  |  |
| Hap4/Hap4 |  | 0 | 0 |  |
| Hap4/[Other than Hap4] |  | 0 | 5 | 1 |
| [Other than Hap4][[Other than Hap4] |  | 9 | 81 | 1 |
| Hap4 | Presence | 0 | 5 |  |
|  | Absence | 9 | 81 | 1 |
| [Other than Hap4] | Presence | 9 | 86 |  |


|  | Absence | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hap5 as an allele |  |  |  |  |
| Hap5/Hap5 |  | 0 | 3 |  |
| Hap5/[Other than Hap5] |  | 2 | 28 | 1 |
| [Other than Hap5]/[Other than Hap5] |  | 7 | 55 | 1 |
| Hap5 | Presence | 2 | 31 |  |
|  | Absence | 7 | 55 | 0.4892 |
| [Other than Hap5] | Presence | 9 | 83 |  |
|  | Absence | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Hap6 as an allele |  |  |  |  |
| Hap6/Hap6 |  | 0 | 1 |  |
| Hap6/[Other than Hap6] |  | 1 | 8 | 1 |
| [Other than Hap6]/[Other than Hap6] |  | 8 | 77 | 1 |
| Hap6 | Presence | 1 | 9 |  |
|  | Absence | 8 | 77 | 1 |
| [Other than Hap6] | Presence | 9 | 85 |  |
|  | Absence | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Hap7 as an allele |  |  |  |  |
| Hap7/Hap7 |  | 0 | 0 |  |
| Hap7/[Other than Hap7] |  | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| [Other than Hap7][[Other than Hap7] |  | 7 | 85 | 1 |
| Hap7 | Presence | 2 | 1 |  |


|  | Absence | 7 | 85 | 24.29 [1.95-302.20] | 0.0230 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| [Other than Hap7] | Presence | 9 | 86 |  |  |
|  | Absence | 0 | 0 |  | 1 |
| Hap8 as an allele |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hap8/Hap8 |  | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Hap8/ [Other than Hap8] |  | 0 | 2 |  | 1 |
| [Other than Hap8]/[Other than Hap8] |  | 9 | 84 |  | 1 |
| Hap8 | Presence | 0 | 2 |  |  |
|  | Absence | 9 | 84 |  | 1 |
| [Other than Hap8] | Presence | 9 | 86 |  |  |
|  | Absence | 0 | 0 |  | 1 |

${ }^{1}$ The Fisher's exact test refers to the two-tailed Fisher's exact test
${ }^{2}$ For the TLR2 locus GTn ( $2^{\text {nd }}$ intron), the following subdivision based on the number of GT copies ( $n$ ) was used: Allele $S, n \leq 16$; Allele $M, 17 \leq n \leq 22$, and Allele L, $\mathrm{n} \geq 23$, (Yim et al., 2006).
${ }^{3}$ For haplotype designation allele annotations are in the following order 5' - -196 to -174 a 22 bp nucleotide indel (untranslated exon 1) - SNP rs4696480, c.16934A>T (promotor) - the (GT)n STR polymorphism (intron 2) - 3': Hap1, 101 ([Ins]-A-[M or L]); Hap2, 100 ([Ins]-A-[S]); Hap3, 111 ([Ins]-T-[M or L]); Hap4, 110 ([Ins]-T-[S]); Hap5, 001 ([Del]-A-[M or L]); Hap6, 000 ([Del]-A-[S]); Hap7, 011 ([Del]-T-[M or L]); Hap8, 010 ([Del]-T-[S]). For the TLR2 (GT)n (intron 2) STR, the following subdivision based on the number of repeats ( $n$ ) was used: Allele $S, n \leq 16$; Allele $M, 17 \leq n \leq 22$, and Allele $L$, $n \geq 23$, which was further simplified as a binary variable $S$ versus others (M or L) (Yim et al., 2006).
${ }^{4}$ For descriptive statistics the haplotypes were considered as alleles.

Abbreviations: SCA, sickle cell anemia; SNP, single nucleotide polymorphism; Hap, haplotype; CI, Confidence interval; OR, odds ration; NA, not applicable; ND, not done; Indel, insertion or deletion variation; Del, deletion; Ins, insertion.

