

Table 1. General description of the types of spinocerebellar ataxia.
(The number 9 is not used.)

Type	Frequency of dominant ataxias in North America	Average age of onset (years) (range)	Average duration of disease (years) (range)	Other distinguishing features (all types show ataxia)
SCA 1	6%	30s (<10 - >60)	15 (10-28)	Active reflexes
SCA 2	15%	20s – 30s (<10 - >60)	10 (1-30)	Slow eye movements, sometimes dementia
SCA 3	21%	30s (10 – 70)	10 (1-20)	Muscle weakness and atrophy. Originally called <i>Machado-Joseph disease</i> .
SCA 4	Rare	30s – 40s (19 – 59)	Decades	Sensory loss
SCA 5	Rare	20s – 30s (10 – 68)	>25	Early age of onset and slow worsening of symptoms
SCA 6	15%	40s – 50s (19 – 71)	>25	Very slow worsening of symptoms
SCA 7	5%	20s – 30s	20 (1–45)	Visual loss
SCA 8	2-5%	Late 30s (18-65)	Normal lifespan	Active reflexes and decreased sensation
SCA 10	Rare	Mid 30s	20	Occasional seizures
SCA 11	Rare	20s – 30s (15-55)	Normal lifespan	Very slow worsening of symptoms
SCA 12	Rare	Mid 30s (8-55)	Not known	Tremor, sometimes dementia
SCA 13	Rare	Childhood	Not known	Mild mental retardation, short stature
SCA 14	Rare	Late 20s (12-42)	Normal lifespan	Body tremor (rare)
SCA15	Rare	Unknown	Decades	Very slow worsening of symptoms
SCA16	Rare	Late 30s (20-66)	1-40	Head tremor
SCA17	Rare	6-34	>8	Worsening of mental abilities
SCA21	Rare	6-30	Decades	Mild cognitive impairment
SCA22	Rare	10-46	Decades	Slow worsening of symptoms
SCA23	Rare	>40	Not known	Slow worsening of symptoms
SCA25	Rare	1-39	Not known	Slow worsening of symptoms