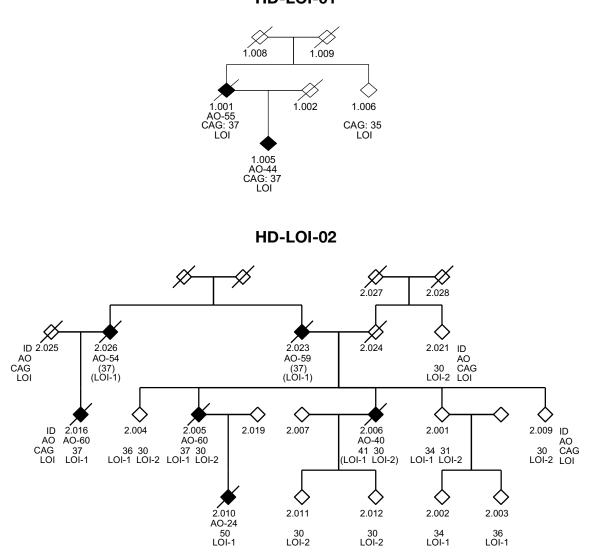
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Length of uninterrupted CAG repeats, independent of polyglutamine size, results in increased somatic instability and hastened age of onset in Huntington disease

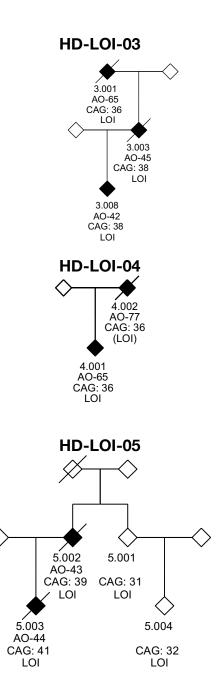
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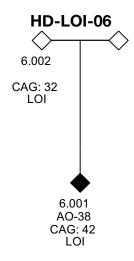
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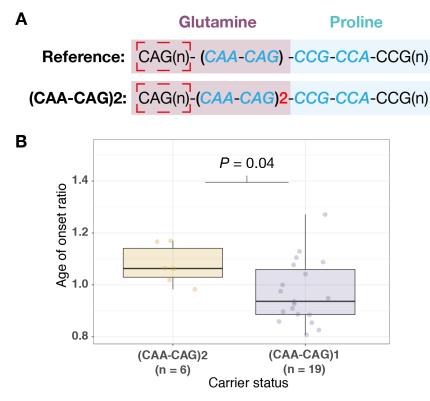
Supplementary Figure S1 HD loss of interruption (LOI) patient pedigrees included in the current study (*n*=6). Affection status, CAG sizes, age of onset information and LOI genotype are indicated



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Supplementary Figure S2. An interrupting sequence variant that results in an additional CAA-CAG repeat is associated with a later age of onset in HD patients. (A) The reference *HTT* CAG-CCG interrupting sequence in relation to the (CAA-CAG)₂ variant. The dashed red box indicates the CAG repeat that is measured in diagnostic assays for HD. Nucleotides encoding the glutamine (i.e., CAG/CAA) and proline (i.e., CCG/CCA) tracts are shaded. (B) The (CAA-CAG)₂ variant is associated with later age of onset (AOO) as determined by the AOO ratio in HD subjects compared to HD subjects with the reference interrupting sequence (n=19). (CAA-CAG)₂ carriers present on average 4.8 years later than the majority of HD patients with the reference CAG repeat interruption.