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- Accession codes, unique identifiers, or web links for publicly available datasets
- A description of any restrictions on data availability
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Transparency and reproducibility: the de-identified genetic data (whole exome sequence variant call file (VCF)) and their associated phenotype data (MLi2-sensitive cohesion phenotype) are available in Zenodo (DOI 10.5281/zenodo.1027821). Raw Western blot data and all sequencing data are available as supplemental figures and tables. All raw images of cohesion determinations are available upon request.

Research involving human participants, their data, or biological material

Policy information about studies with [human participants or human data](#). See also policy information about [sex, gender \(identity/presentation\), and sexual orientation](#) and [race, ethnicity and racism](#).

Reporting on sex and gender	To account for potential sex-specific differences as reported for the prevalence of sporadic Parkinson's disease, healthy controls, idiopathic Parkinson's disease patients, Parkinson's disease patients with LRRK2 mutations or non-manifesting LRRK2 mutation carriers were chosen to represent both sexes.
Reporting on race, ethnicity, or other socially relevant groupings	To account for differences in the prevalence of LRRK2-related Parkinson's disease across distinct populations, healthy control and PD patients/LRRK2 mutation carriers were of similar self-reported race/ethnicity.
Population characteristics	Participants were of similar age and both sexes, and PD patients harbouring distinct LRRK2 mutations were chosen to be of similar age at diagnosis, disease duration and disease severity.
Recruitment	Participants were recruited with written informed consent and examined by neurologists specialized in movement disorders. Subjects donated blood samples for genotyping and peripheral blood-derived cells for direct cell biological analysis. None of the controls had a family history of Parkinson's disease, and all control and idiopathic Parkinson's disease samples were negative for the G2019S-LRRK2 or R1441G-LRRK2 mutation.
Ethics oversight	The study protocols were approved by the University of New South Wales human research ethics committee, the Donostia University Hospital in San Sebastian ethics committee, and the IRBs of both Columbia University (CUIMC).

Note that full information on the approval of the study protocol must also be provided in the manuscript.

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Life sciences study design

All studies must disclose on these points even when the disclosure is negative.

Sample size	Sample size was chosen based on previously determined effect sizes and power analysis.
Data exclusions	No data were excluded.
Replication	In some cases, images were independently quantified by an additional observer blind to condition and at distinct research sites, with identical results obtained in all cases. For each LCL line, fresh extracts from 2-3 independent cultures were analyzed, with similar results obtained in all cases.
Randomization	Samples were allocated into experimental groups based on clinical phenotype and genetic mutation status.
Blinding	Investigators were blinded to genotype and phenotype during image acquisition and analysis as well as for the western blotting experiments.

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Materials & experimental systems

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Methods

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> ChIP-seq
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Antibodies

Antibodies used	For immunocytochemistry, primary antibodies included mouse monoclonal anti-gamma-tubulin (1:1000, Abcam ab11316), mouse monoclonal anti-LAMP1 (1:500, Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-20011), rabbit polyclonal anti-pericentrin (1:1000, Abcam ab4448) and rabbit monoclonal anti-pT73-Rab10 (1:1000, Abcam ab241060). For Western blotting, primary antibodies included rabbit anti-S935-LRRK2 antibody (1:500, Abcam, ab133450), mouse monoclonal anti-LRRK2 antibody (1:1000, Antibodies Inc, 75-235), mouse monoclonal anti-gamma-tubulin antibody (1:10'000, Sigma, clone DM1A), rabbit monoclonal anti-pT73-Rab10 antibody (1:1000, Abcam, ab230261), mouse monoclonal total Rab10 antibody (1:1000, Sigma, SAB5300028), rabbit monoclonal anti-pS106-Rab12 antibody (1:1000, Abcam, ab256487) or a rabbit polyclonal total Rab12 antibody (1:500, ProteinTech, 18843-1-AP). In most cases, antibodies had been commercially validated against the respective knockout cell extracts.
Validation	In most cases, antibodies have been commercially validated against their respective knockout cell extracts.

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	PBMCs from human participants, EBV-immortalized lymphocytes from human participants, in both cases from both sexes. HEK293T cells (human embryonic kidney cell line, derived from female fetus). Murine embryonic fibroblast cells from R1441C-LRRK2 knockin mice (both sexes).
Authentication	Identity of the HEK293T cell line was assessed by short tandem repeat profiling. Given the vastly different morphologies of the distinct human cell types employed, their morphology was also inspected on a regular basis to assure purity.
Mycoplasma contamination	All cell lines underwent monthly mycoplasma testing.
Commonly misidentified lines (See ICLAC register)	<i>Name any commonly misidentified cell lines used in the study and provide a rationale for their use.</i>