# Interpretation of GWAS Findings in Transplant Outcome Studies

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#### Session I - Chairmen: Elissaveta Naumova, Amal Bishara

09.10-09.40	Interpretation of GWAS findings in transplant outcome studies  Mehmet Tevfik DORAK, Liverpool, United Kingdom
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10.25-10.40	Unrelated Stem Cell Transplantation – novel cell therapy in the treatment of heme malignancies in Clinical Institute "Fundeni"  Daniel Coriu, Bucharest, Romania
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#### **OUTLINE**

What is GWAS?

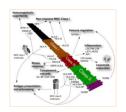
Genetic prediction of transplant outcomes

Unique features of the HLA region

Interpretation of GWAS findings

Imputation (SNPs and HLA types)

**Existing GWAS results: What to do with them?** 







#### What and What Isn't GWAS?

Supposedly genome-wide, but, due to constraints, not 100%

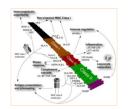
**Generally contains common polymorphisms** 

Most results (~95% in autoimmune disorders) are non-causal

Results need to be followed up to identify causal variants

Most causal variants correlate with expression levels of their target genes (not necessarily the nearest gene)

HLA region is the most difficult region to work with and requires special attention







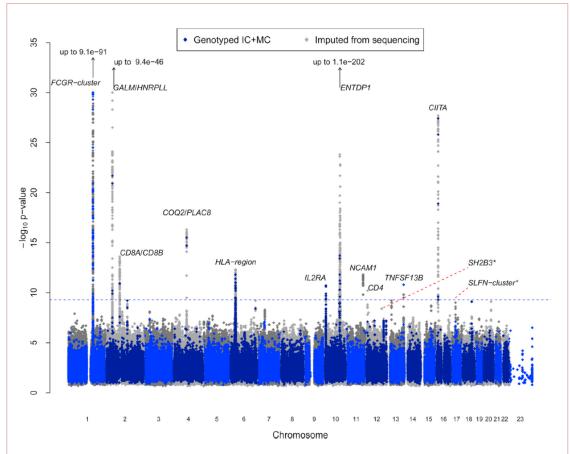


Figure 3. Manhattan Plot of Best p Values

For each SNP, the best p value observed among all assessed traits is plotted on a -log10 scale (y axis), according to its genomic coordinates (x axis). SNPs are colored in blue if the corresponding best p value was directly genotyped with ImmunoChip (IC) or Cardio-MetaboChip (MC) and in gray if imputed from genomic sequencing of Sardhians. The dotted horizontal line indicates the threshold for declaring a locus genome wide to be significant (5.26 × 10<sup>-19</sup>). The best candidate gene is indicated near the peak. Loci below the significance threshold and previously described are marked with an asterisk.



#### Resource

#### Genetic Variants Regulating Immune Cell Levels in Health and Disease

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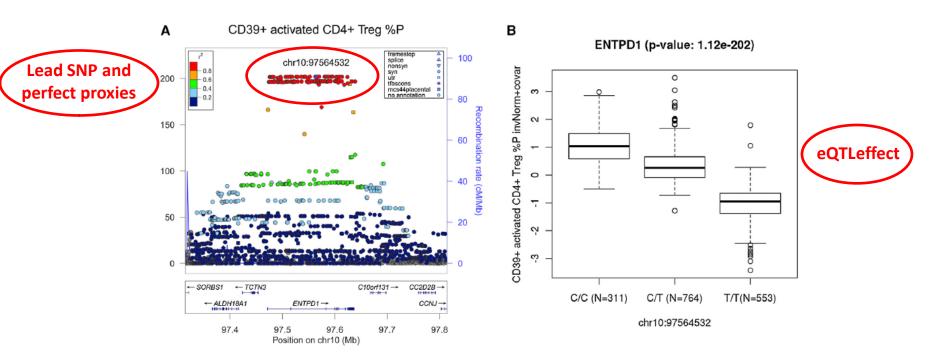


Figure 4. Regional Plot and Box Plot for the Top Signal in ENTPD1

(A and B) Representation of the association in the genomic context (A) and in the biological context (B) for the most strongly associated variant at the ENTPD1 gene.

(A) Representation of the association strength (y axis shows the -log10 p value) versus the genomic positions (on hg19/GRCh37 genomic build) around the most significant SNP, which is indicated with a purple circle. Other SNPs in the region are color coded to reflect their LD with the top SNP, as in the left inset (taken from pairwise r² values calculated on Sardinian haplotypes), whereas symbols reflecting genomic functional annotation are indicated in the right inset. Genes and the position of exons, as well as the direction of transcription, are noted in lower boxes. This plot was drawn using the standalone version of the LocusZoom package (Pruim et al., 2010).

(B) The distribution of the immunophenotypic levels within each genotype class considering the normalized trait adjusted for age and gender in relation to the 1,629 initial samples, showing the additive effect that was statistically observed.





Locus	Candidate Genes	topSNP (chr:position/rsID)	A1/A2	Freq A1	Trait	Effect (SE)	Var. Expl.	p Value (n = 1,629)	SNP for Validation (chr.position/rsID)		Validation p Value (n = 2,870)
1	FCGR3A(p,c,o), FCGR2C(p,o), FCGR2A(e,c,o), FCGR2B(e,o), HSPA6(e), HSPA7(e)	chr1:161536758/ rs58055840	T/C	0.742	CD62L- myeloidcDC AC	-0.895 (0.044)	30.26	3.73 × 10 <sup>-91</sup>	chr1:161515326/ rs55971447	0.937	6.83 × 10 <sup>-125</sup>
2	HNRPLL(p)	chr2:38792045/ rs183949931	T/C	0.967	CD45RA- CD28- CD8br %P	0.778 (0.105)	4.05	1.05 × 10 <sup>-13</sup>	chr2:38792045/ rs183949931	same SNP	1.046 × 10 <sup>-2</sup>
2	GALM(p,c,e), HNRPLL(b)	chr2:38897074/ rs13011383	G/A	0.730	TD CD4+ %GP	-0.371 (0.042)	5.52	6.05 × 10 <sup>-19</sup>	chr2:38886041/ rs4670262	0.87	1.26 × 10 <sup>-27</sup>
2	GALM(p), DHX57(e), HNRPLL(b)	chr2:38921934/ rs7583259	G/C	0.508	CD45RA- CD28- CD8br %P	-0.548 (0.039)	15.09	9.40 × 10 <sup>-46</sup>	chr2:38932777/ rs4670265	0.9	2.82 × 10 <sup>-62</sup>
3	CD8A(p,c,o), RMND5A(p), CD8B(b), VPS24(e)	chr2:87014377/ rs2944254	C/T	0.810	CD4+ CD8dim AC	0.383 (0.05)	4.55	2.52 × 10 <sup>-14</sup>	chr2:87018547/ rs3810831	0.943	1.3 × 10 <sup>-22</sup>
4	COQ2(e), PLAC8(e), HPSE(e)	chr4:84150313/ rs4431216	T/C	0.633	CD62L- plasmacytoidcDC %P	0.337 (0.04)	5.19	4.96 × 10 <sup>-17</sup>	chr4:84179071/ rs7667017	0.84	$3.37 \times 10^{-23}$
5	HLA-E(p,c,e), HCG27(e), GNL1(c), ABCF1(e), C2(e), PSORS1C3(e), RPP21(e), TRIM39(e), ZKSCAN2(e)	chr6:39466505/ rs117765619	G/T	0.516	CD45RA- CD8+ AC	-0.228 (0.037)	2.62	5.24 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>	chr9:30482993/ rs2534812	0.974	1.34 × 10 <sup>-11</sup>
5	HLA-B(p,c), VARS2(e), IER3(e), ZFP57(e)	chr6:31327382/ rs2395476	T/G	0.858	CD45RA- CD28+ CD8+ %P	0.352 (0.051)	3.21	3.69 × 10 <sup>-12</sup>	chr6:31327382/ rs2395476	same SNP	1.827 × 10 <sup>-19</sup>
5	HLA-DRA(p,e), BTNL2(p,c), HLA- DRB1(c,e), HLA-DQA1(e), HLA- DQB1(e), HLA-DRBS(e), HLA-DOB(e), LOC642073(e), VARS2(e), LST1(e), ER3(e), GTF2H4(e), HMGA1(e), RPL34(e)*, AOAH(e)*	chre 33396433/ rs113534101	G/A	0.776	CD4+ CD8dim %P	-0.299 (0.043)	3.07	5.68 × 10 <sup>-12</sup>	cbrg:39/383138/ rs115615758	0.97	2.78 × 10 <sup>-16</sup>
	HLA-DRA(p), LOC642073(e), HLA-DOB(e), RPL34(e) <sup>n</sup> , ARHGAP24(e) <sup>n</sup> , AOAH(e) <sup>n</sup>	cbr6:32428186/ rs6923504	G/C	0.618	CD45RA- CD28- CD8+ AC	-0.249 (0.037)	3.01		cbr6:32428285/ rs6903608	0.99	4.3 × 10 <sup>-13</sup>
6	IL2RA(p,o)	chr10:6094697/ rs61839660	C/T	0.934	CD45RA- CD25hi CD4+ not Treg %P	-0.49 (0.073)	2.82	1.85 × 10 <sup>-11</sup>	chr10:6094697/ rs61839660	same SNP	$5.65 \times 10^{-23}$
6	RBM17(p), IL2RA(p,o)	chr10:6158412/ rs8463	₽G	0.802	CD25hi CD4+ %P	-0.294 (0.046)	2.85	1.21 × 10 <sup>-10</sup>	chr10:6158412/ rs8463	same SNP	$2.02 \times 10^{-15}$
7	SORBS1(p), C10orf61(e), ALDH18A1(c), ENTPD1(e)	chr10:97331924/ rs117568941	T/C	0.955	CD39+ CD8+ %GP	-0.650 (0.062)	6.68	1.45 × 10 <sup>-25</sup>	chr10:97331958/ rs7099430	0.969	1.32 × 10 <sup>-35</sup>
7	ALDH18A1(p), ENTPD1(b)	chr10:97393678/ rs1890187	A/G	0.975	CD39+ activated CD4+ Treg %P	-0.671 (0.073)	5.97	5.72 × 10 <sup>-20</sup>	chr10:97550405/ rs11188485	0.97	2.97 × 10 <sup>-32</sup>
7	ENTPD1(p,e)	chr10:97564532/ rs11517041	T/C	0.578	CD39+ activated CD4+ Treg %P	-1.113 (0.037)	60.81	1.12 × 10 <sup>-202</sup>	chr10:97515137/ rs3814159	0.993	7.05 × 10 <sup>-327</sup>

chr10:97932006/ C/T 0.955 CD39+ CD25hi

CD4+ %P

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Perfect Proxy

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SNP

0.497 (0.066) 4.33 6.26 × 10<sup>-14</sup> chr10:97932006/ same 1.35 × 10<sup>-15</sup>

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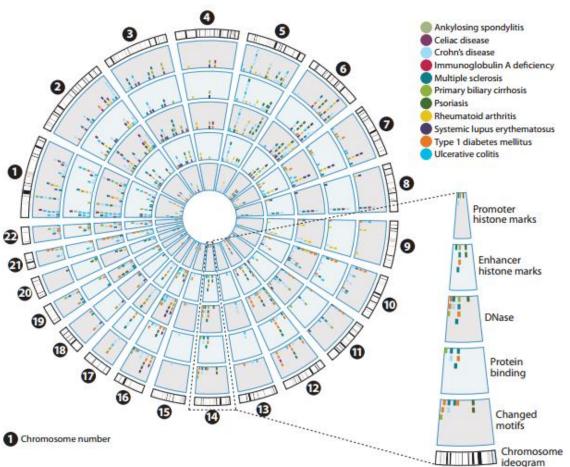


**Lead SNP** 

ZNF518A(p), BLNK(p,o),

ENTPD1(b)





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Mapping of Immune-Mediated Disease Genes

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#### What have we learned from GWAS in AID?

The lead SNP reported in GWAS has only 5% chance of being the causal SNP

Lead SNPs are typically some distance from the causal SNPs (median~ 14kb)

Lead SNPs and causal SNPs are not necessarily in tight LD  $(r^2 = 0.50 \text{ is not unusual})$ 

Almost all causal SNPs map to enhancers and promoters

# Genetic and epigenetic fine mapping of causal autoimmune disease variants

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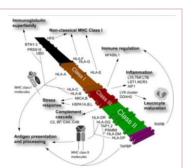


# **HLA Region: Unique Features**

- Most gene dense
- Extremely polymorphic
- Paralog regions and genes
- CNV and structural variation
- Very high linkage disequilibrium over very long range resulting from conserved extended haplotypes (CEH)
- Greatest trans-eQTL density
- Very strong selective pressures
- Extreme geographical, racial and ethnic differential in allele frequencies
- So many lineages and groupings of alleles & haplotypes
- So many functional dimorphisms or supertypes with no single corresponding SNPs







# **Transplant Outcomes: Markers**

HLA mismatching
mH mismatching

Donor or recipient genotype





# **Genetic Prediction of Transplant Outcomes**



MHC-Resident Variation Affects Risks After Unrelated Donor Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation

Effie W. Petersdorf et al. Sci Transl Med 4, 144ra101 (2012);

Blood malignancies can be cured with hematopoietic cell transplantation from human leukocyte antigen (HLA)—matched unrelated donors; however, acute graft-versus-host disease (GVHD) affects up to 80% of patients and contributes to increased mortality. To test the hypothesis that undetected patient-donor differences for non-HLA genetic variation within the major histocompatibility complex (MHC) could confer risks after HLA-matched transplantation, we conducted a discovery-validation study of 4205 transplants for 1120 MHC region single-nudeotide polymorphisms (SNPs). Two SNPs were identified as markers for disease-free survival and acute GVHD. Among patients with two or more HLA-matched unrelated donors identified on their search, SNP genotyping of patients and their potential donors demonstrated that most patients have a choice of SNP-matched donors. In condusion, the success of HLA-matched unrelated donor hematopoietic cell transplantation depends on non-HLA MHC region genetic variation. Prospective SNP screening and matching provides an approach for lowering risks to patients.

Grade III to IV acute GVHD	rs3132486	HLA-C/ flanking 5'UTR	Donor genotype	1.72 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	AA AG	174/620 215/1093	1.00 0.66 (0.54–0.81)
					GG	129/527	0.87 (0.69–1.10)
	rs2859091	HLA-DQA2/	Donor	$2.34 \times 10^{-6}$	π	252/897	1.00
		flanking 5'UTR	genotype		AT	195/1013	0.62 (0.51-0.75)
					AA	71/330	0.68 (0.52-0.89)





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#### **Key Points**

- · HLA haplotypes encode single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) that are associated with risks after **HLA-mismatched unrelated** donor HCT.
- · SNPs associated with graftversus-host disease (GVHD) are independent of those associated with relapse.

Outcome	SNP	Gene/location*	Model	Overall P	Genotype or mismatch† group	Number of events	HR (95% CI)	P
Survival	rs429916	1.2 kb centromeric of HLA-DOA	Patient genotype	7.48 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	СС	1254/1909	1	
					AC	201/296	1.11 (0.94-1.31)	.23
					AA	18/19	3.47 (1.95-6.16)	2.27 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Disease-free survival‡	rs429916	1.2 kb centromeric of HLA-DOA	Patient genotype	4.28 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	СС	1147/1708	1	
					AC	188/268	1.06 (0.88-1.26)	.56
					AA	18/19	3.75 (2.10-6.68)	7.86 × 10 <sup>-6</sup>
Relapse‡	rs2244546	2.2 kb telomeric of HCP5	Donor genotype	6.92 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	CC	373/1611	1	
					CG	117/435	1.19 (0.95-1.50)	.14
					GG	16/30	2.79 (1.60-4.85)	2.87 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>
	rs986522	COL11A2, intron	Donor genotype	$3.20 \times 10^{-5}$	CG	209/1025	1	
					CC	136/478	1.46 (1.16-1.85)	1.45 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
					GG	161/573	1.62 (1.30-2.03)	2.14 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Transplant-related mortality	rs915654	1.4 kb telomeric of LTA	Patient genotype	9.93 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	AT	394/964	1	
					AA	142/300	1.45 (1.16-1.80)	1.16 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
					π	332/718	1.39 (1.17-1.64)	1.43 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>
	rs429916	1.2 kb centromeric of HLA-DOA	Patient genotype	2.82 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	СС	720/1696	1	
					AC	134/267	1.20 (0.97-1.49)	9.67 × 10 <sup>-2</sup>
					AA	14/19	4.52 (2.31-8.86)	1.11 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Grades II-IV acute GVHD§	rs2242656	BAG6, intron	Mismatch	3.13 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	Matched	865/1535	1	
					HVG	122/214	1.00 (0.82-1.22)	1
					GVH	136/203	1.46 (1.21-1.77)	6.92 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Grades III-IV acute GVHD	rs209130	3 kb telomeric of TRIM27	Mismatch	6.42 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	Matched	251/920	1	
					HVG	154/488	1.22 (0.99-1.50)	6.11 × 10 <sup>-2</sup>
					GVH	124/420	1.19 (0.96-1.49)	.12
					Bi	45/103	2.17 (1.56-3.01)	3.70 × 10 <sup>-6</sup>
	rs2075800	HSPA1L, Glu602Lys	Patient genotype	$8.37 \times 10^{-4}$	GG	289/848	1	
					AG	214/819	0.72 (0.60-0.86)	4.01 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>
					AA	71/264	0.73 (0.56-0.95)	2.07 × 10 <sup>-2</sup>
	rs394657	NOTCH4, intron	Donor	4.15 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>	AA	150/626	1	
			genotype		AG	301/923	1.48 (1.21-1.81)	1.16 × 10 <sup>-4</sup>





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SNPs provide clues to the candidate genes and mechanisms involved in transplant-associated complications. The identification of 2 SNPs within the HLA-DOA and -DOB genes provides strong evidence for a role for antigen processing and presentation in immune responses in HLA-mismatched transplantation.<sup>31</sup> The rs2075800G/A SNP defines a glutamic acid/lysine substitution at residue 602 of the heat shock protein-70 A1L molecule. We hypothesize a possible role for the differential binding of peptides by heat shock protein-A1L molecules and/or stimulation of cytokines in GVHD.<sup>32</sup> The second SNP marker for grades III-IV acute GVHD, rs394657, resides within the NOTCH4 gene intron and is in positive linkage disequilibrium with nonsynonymous substitutions. Sequence polymorphism of NOTCH4 receptors could influence the inflammatory nature of acute GVHD through altered ligand-receptor binding and production of TNF-α, IFN-γ, IL-4, and IL-17.<sup>33</sup> Alternatively, SNP rs394657 might influence GVHD through its role as a putative expression quantitative locus for HLA-DQA1,  $^{\bar{3}4}$  the gene that encodes the DQ $\alpha$  chain of the HLA-DQ heterodimer. Differential DQα expression may have consequences for alloantigen recognition in GVHD.





NHLBI key	Snp Id	Pvalue	PMID	Locatio	n Phenotype	Phenotype Category	chr	pos	InGene
204538421544740	rs2075800	2.4E-100	20453842	FullScan	Rheumatoid arthritis	Inflammation,Arthriti arthritis	6	31810169	(HSPA1L)
175543002216079	rs3132486	3.3E-63	17554300	Webdata	Type 1 diabetes, combined control dataset	Cardiovascular disease (CVD),Myocardial infarction infarction (MI),Neuro,Behavior disorder,Blood pressure,CVD risk factor (CVD RF),Blood-related,Type 1 diabetes (T1D),Type 2 diabetes (T2D),Developmental arthritis,Crohn's disease		31275393	
175543001544729	rs2075800	9.5E-42	17554300	Webdata	Rheumatoid arthritis, combined control dataset	Cardiovascular disease (CVD),Myocardial infarction (MI),Neuro,Behavior disorder,Blood pressure,CVD risk factor (CVD RF),Blood-related,Type 1 diabetes (T1D),Type 2 diabetes (T2D),Developmental arthritis,Crohn's disease		31810169	(HSPA1L)
204538422216107	rs3132486	1.7E-37	20453842	FullScan	Rheumatoid arthritis	Inflammation,Arthriti arthritis	6	31275393	
195030881544734	rs2075800	8.3E-36	19503088	Table S2	Rheumatoid arthritis	Inflammation,Arthriti arthritis	6	31810169	(HSPA1L)
211567611544753	rs2075800	1.3E-31	21156761	Table S3	Rheumatoid arthritis (ACPA- positive)	Inflammation,Arthriti arthritis	6	31810169	(HSPA1L)

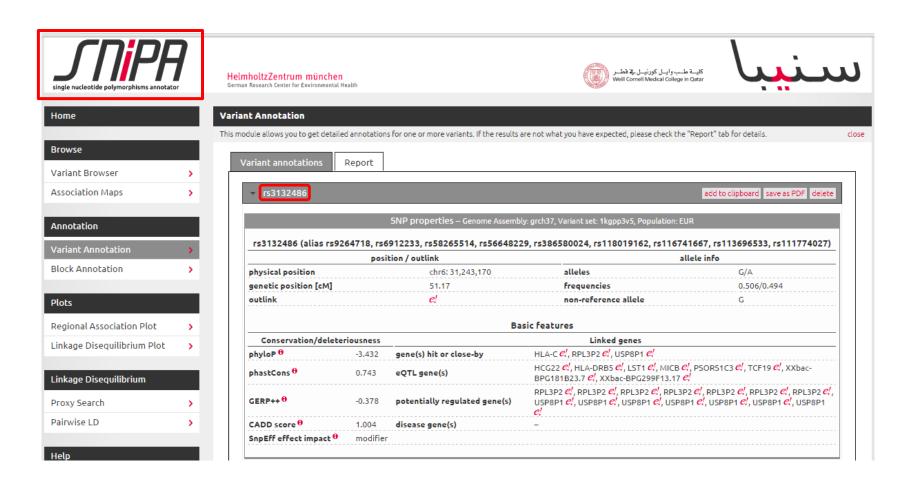


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178048361544730	rs2075800	2.0E-29	17804836	RawUna	Rheumatoid arthritis	Inflammation,Arthriti arthritis	6	31810169	(HSPA1L)
21323541273999	rs394657	8.2E-17	21323541	Table S6	Idiopathic membranous nephropathy	Renal	6	32219246	(NOTCH4)
176325452216080	rs3132486	1.1E-16	<u>17632545</u>	TableS1	Type 1 diabetes	Type 1 diabetes (T1D),Developmental risk factor (CVD RF)	6	31275393	
204538422097312	rs2859100	1.7E-16	20453842	FullScan	Rheumatoid arthritis	Inflammation,Arthriti arthritis	6	32731702	
234556366395722	rs394657	9.5E-11	23455636	FullData	Advanced age- related macular degeneration	Eye-related,Aging,Age- related macular degeneration (ARMD)	6	32219246	(NOTCH4)
20453842273995	rs394657	1.2E-09	20453842	FullScan	Rheumatoid arthritis	Inflammation,Arthriti arthritis	6	32219246	(NOTCH4)
176605302216081	rs3132486	2.9E-09	17660530	RawUna	Multiple sclerosis	Neuro,Inflammation, sclerosis (MS)	6	31275393	
19503088273993	rs394657	8.1E-08	19503088	Table S2	Rheumatoid arthritis	Inflammation, Arthriti arthritis	6	32219246	(NOTCH4)
203831471544739	rs2075800	1.6E-07	20383147	Table S2	Systemic sclerosis	Skin-related,Muscle- related	6	31810169	(HSPA1L)

The GVHD risk markers are also associated with RA, T1D, MS, PSS and idiopathic membranous nephropathy (rs2075800, rs394657, rs3132486, rs2859091/rs2859100)







A large number of non-coding genes are eQTL targets, but not the nearest gene *HLA-C*!







Your query: rs3132486

#### Trans-eQTLs

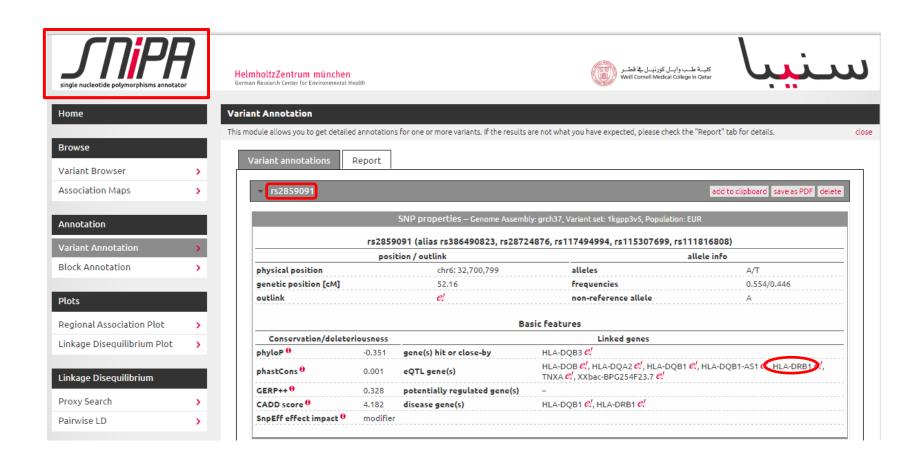
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#### Interpretation of GWAS Findings: eQTLs

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#### A Tissue-Based Map of the Human Proteome

Here, we summarize our current knowledge regarding the human proteome mainly achieved through antibody-based methods combined with transcriptomics analysis across all major tissues and organs of the human body. A large number of lists can be accessed with direct links to gene-specific images of the corresponding proteins in the different tissues and organs. Read more

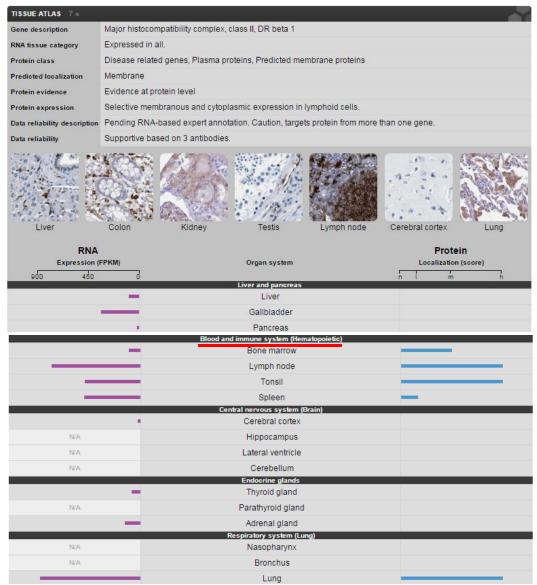




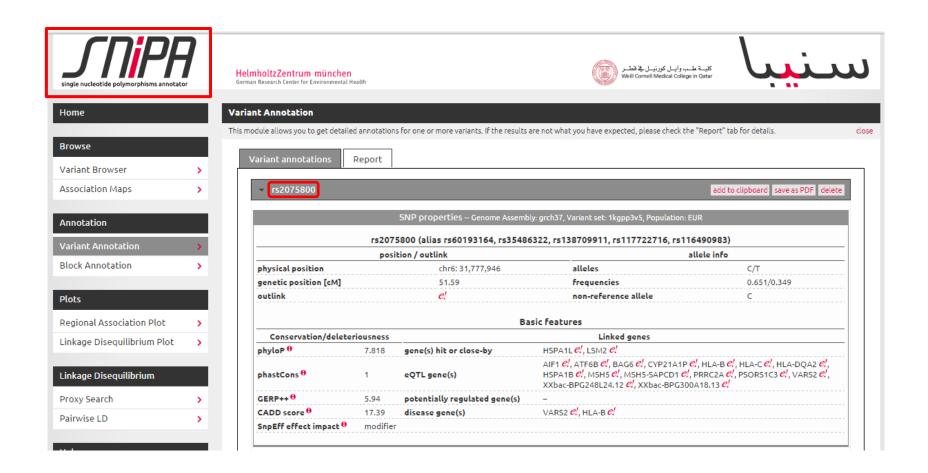
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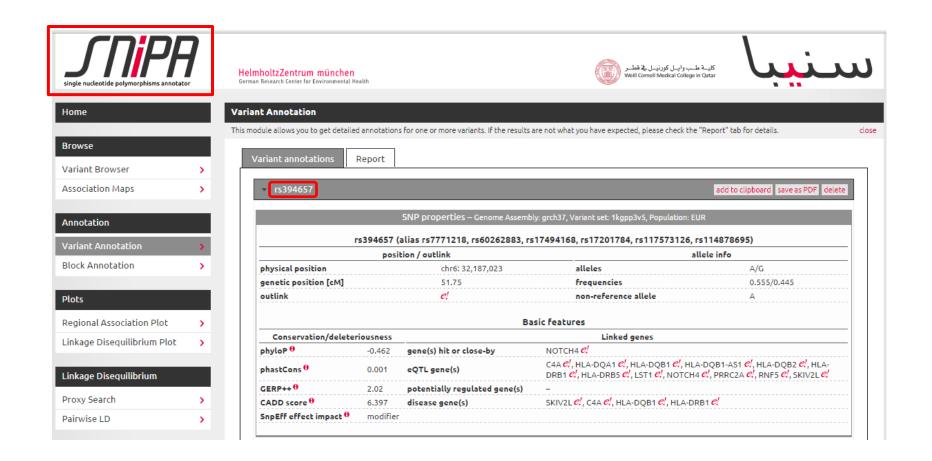


















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The GVHD risk markers are mainly acting as eQTLs

Their target genes are more commonly the genes other than the nearest gene

The target genes include pseudogenes and ncRNA genes

(rs2075800, rs394657, rs3132486, rs2859091)

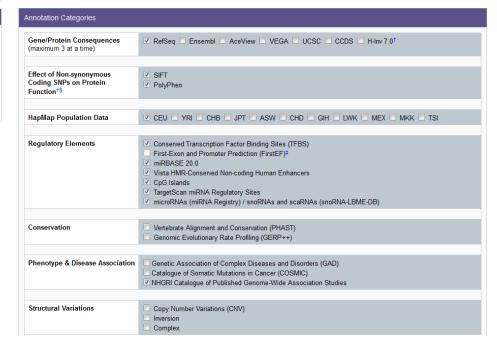






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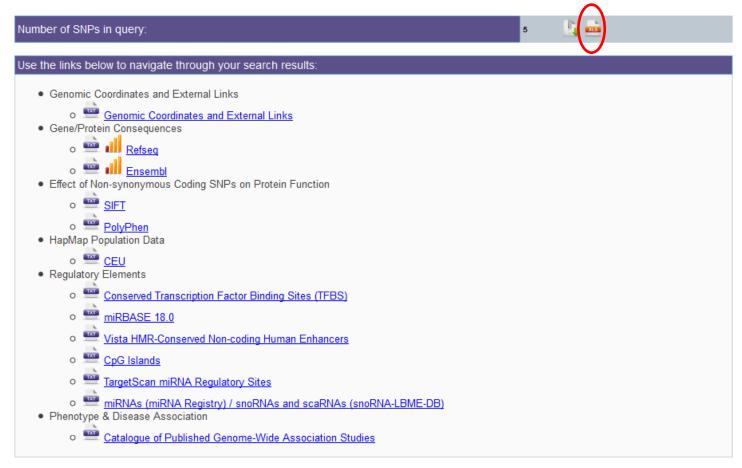
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Descriptive data, including HapMap frequencies, provided

Polyphen score for the *HSPA1L* nsSNP is 0.001 (benign)

None of the SNPs are in conserved transcription factor binding sites nor in miRNA sequences/miRNA binding sites

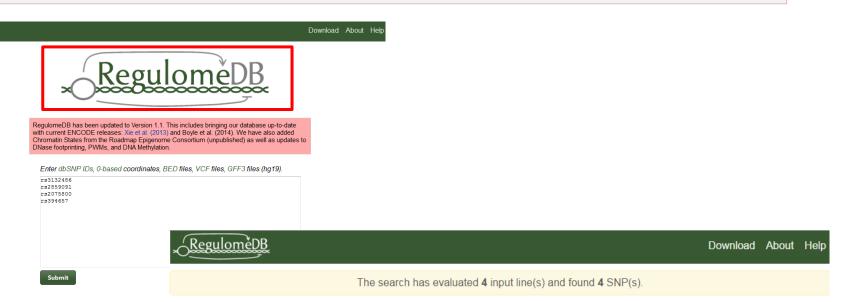
None of the SNPs are in CpG islands

None of the SNPs are in enhancers





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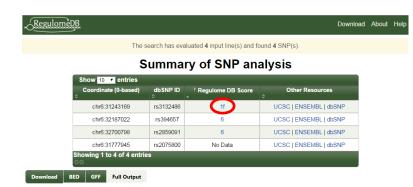


#### **Summary of SNP analysis**

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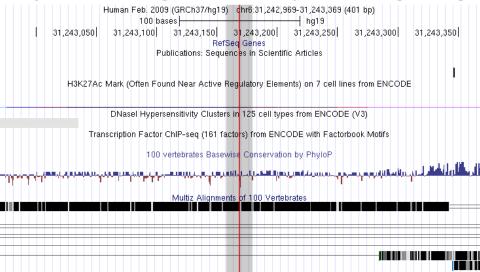


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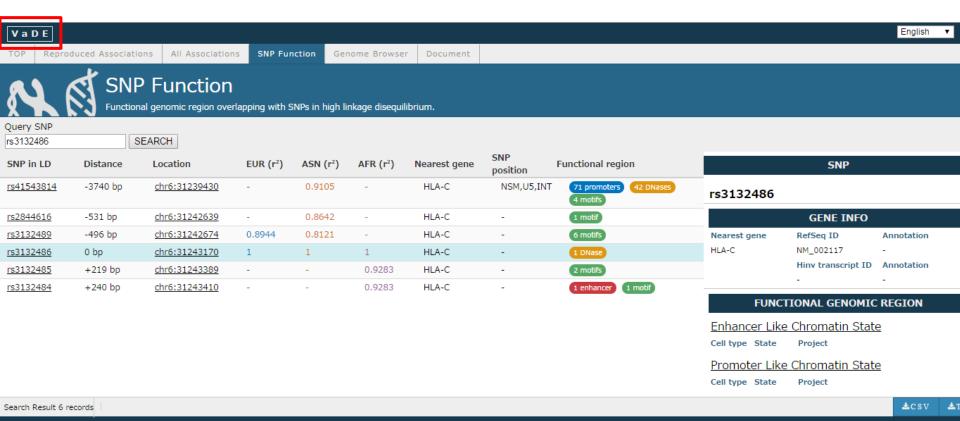
Score: 1f

Likely to affect binding and linked to expression of a gene target









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#### HaploReg v3



HaploReg is a tool for exploring annotations of the noncoding genome at variants on haplotype blocks, such as candidate regulatory SNPs at diseaseassociated loci. Using LD information from the 1000 Genomes Project, linked SNPs and small indels can be visualized along with their predicted chromatin state, their sequence conservation across mammals, and their effect on regulatory motifs. HaploReg is designed for researchers developing mechanistic hypotheses of the impact of non-coding variants on clinical phenotypes and normal variation.

Update 2014.02.14: Version 3 now includes an improved motif library and final reference epigenomes the Roadmap, including predicted causal enhancer motif instances. The GWAS library has also been updated and revamped by aggregating across traits and pruning. Version 2 is available here

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#### HaploReg v3

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the impact of non-coding variants on clinical phenotypes and normal variation.

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1000G Phase 1 population for LD calculation: O AFR O AMR O ASN O EUR

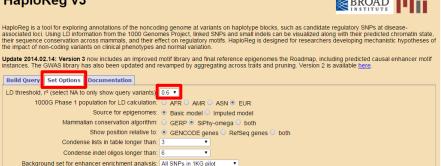
Source for epigenomes: 

Basic model 

Imputed model Mammalian conservation algorithm: O GERP O SiPhy-omega O both

Show position relative to: 

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both







Query SNP: rs3132486 and variants with  $r^2 >= 0.6$ 

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chr6:31243389	chr6:31275612	8.0	0.99	rs3132485	С	Α	0.43 0.42	0.40	0.44					Gfi1b,p300		3.5kb 5' of HLA-C	
chr6:31243410	chr6:31275633	0.79	0.99	rs3132484	G	Т	0.43 0.42	0.40	0.44		BLD			Osr		3.5kb 5' of HLA-C	



The search has evaluated 6 input line(s) and found 6 SNP(s).

#### **Summary of SNP analysis**

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chr6:31242816	rs6930376	6	UCSC   ENSEMBL   dbSNP
chr6:31243388	rs3132485	No Data	UCSC   ENSEMBL   dbSNP
chr6:31243409	rs3132484	No Data	UCSC   ENSEMBL   dbSNP

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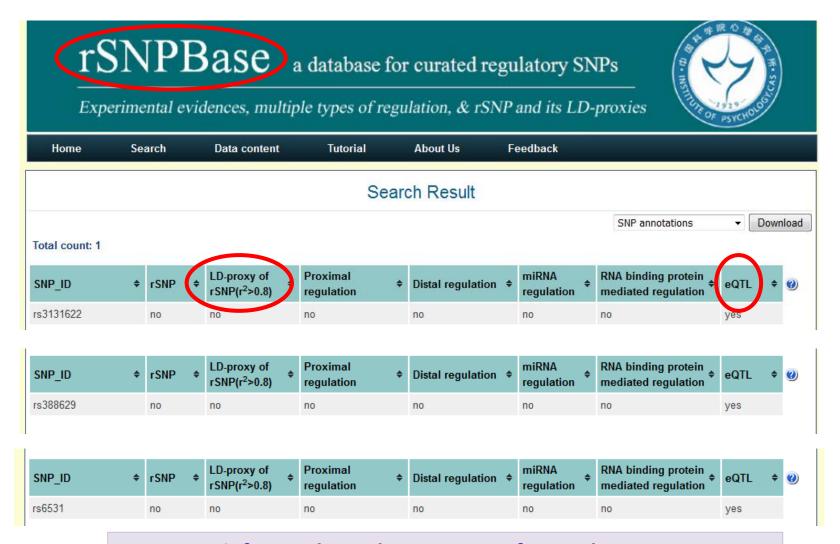
... can be very large and may span a very large distance.



Average number of perfect proxies for AID-associated lead SNPs = 7.6









rSNPBase informs about the presence of a regulatory SNP among the statistically similar SNP set.

# **GWAS Results and HLA Types**

IHWG-ID	CELL LINE _	ST _	CEH Population				A rs722788_C		
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9026	YAR	53	38.1	Ashkenazi Jewish	2	2	0	0	
9027	PF97387	53	44.2+44.X	French	2	2	0	0	
9028	PE117	53	60.1+XX.X	Amerindian	2	2	0	2	
9031	BOLETH BO	53	62.1	Scandinavian	2	2	0	0	
9047	PLH	53	47.1	Scandinavian	2	2	1	2	
9048	<u>LBUF</u>	53	13.1	English	2	2	0	0	
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9092	BM92	53	51.1	Italian	2	2	0	0	
9093	BER	53	13.1	German	2	2	0	0	
9094	CF996	53	64.1	French	2	2	1	1	
9098	MT14B	53	60.1	Australian Caucasoid	2	2	1	1	
9106	MANIKA	53	50.1 (H)	Tamil Asian Indian	2	2		2	
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9139	WHONP439	53	46.1	Asian	2	2	0	0	
9140	WHO-NP192	53	54.1+46.1	Asian	2	2	0	0	
9145	FUR, RE	52,53	57.1+60.3	White	1	1	1	1	
9146	COL, E	53	62.2	Unknown	2	2	0	0	
9150	BOW, MF	53,53	44.1+50.1	Unknown	2	2	1	1	
9151	EAV,AC	53,10	37.1+50.1	Unknown	1	1	0	0	

rs2395185 is a marker for the HLA-DR53 lineage, which has unique immunological characteristics.

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9014	MGAR	51		USA Hispanic
9015	WT24	51		Italian
9016	RML REM	51		South American Indian
9017	<u>WT8</u>	51		Italian
9019	DUCAF	52	18.2	French
9020	QBL	52	18.2	Dutch
9036	SPO010	52		Italian
9039	JVM	52	18.3	Dutch
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9042	TISI	52	35.4	French
9043	BM21	52		Italian
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9066	TAB089,TAB	08	46.2	Japanese
9070	<u>LUY</u>	08		Dutch
9081	<u>EA</u>	51	7.1	Scandinavian
9084	CALOGERO	51		Italian
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9105	FPAF FPF F	52	35.5?	Ashkenazi Jewish
9157	HAU, ML	52	58.1	Asian
9291	APD	52	١.	Dutch



# **HLA Region SNPs and HLA Types**

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# A Catalog of HLA Region SNPs with Functional Annotations, Disease Associations and Correlations with HLA Types



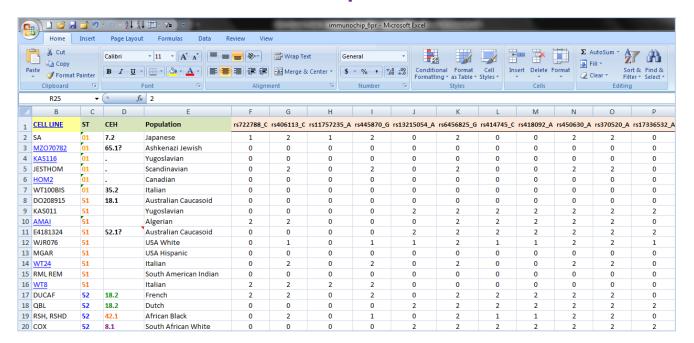
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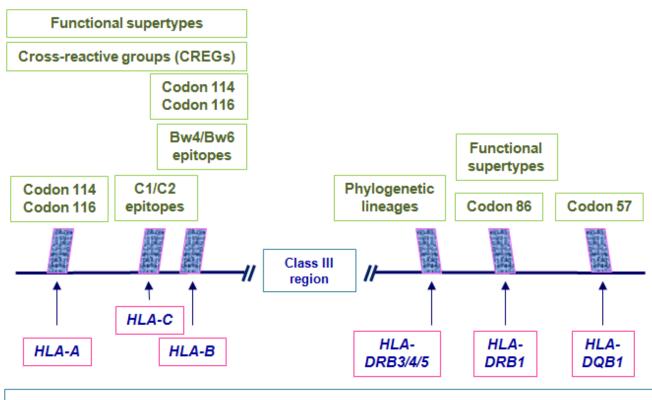


Figure 1. Functional multi-allelic HLA polymorphisms

We do not yet know the SNP equivalents of these functional groupings





#### a Study sample



#### Reference haplotypes

#### **b** Study sample

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#### Reference haplotypes

#### **C** Study sample

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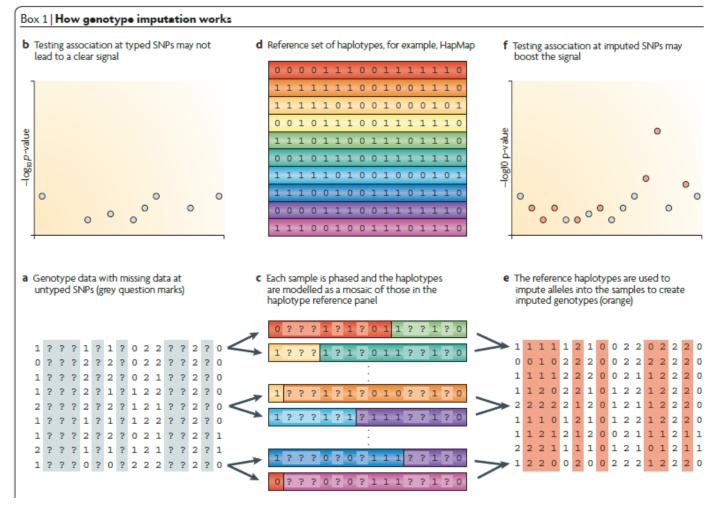
#### Genotype Imputation

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# HLA\*IMP—an integrated framework for imputing classical HLA alleles from SNP genotypes

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Functional annotations and pathway analysis

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Impute HLA types

Infer HLA functional groupings

Repeat association analysis for all SNPs, HLA types, supertypes, epitopes, dimorphisms and lineages





#### **CONCLUSIONS**

- > Besides mismatches, there are also associations of donor or recipient genotypes with transplant outcomes
- > Reported associations should be combined with their statistically similar SNP sets (proxies) for functional annotations
- > The nearest genes are not always the target genes for SNP effects
- > The most common intermediate phenotype is gene expression changes (eQTL effects) between SNPs and their effect on phenotypes
- > GVHD-associated SNPs are also associated with autoimmune disorders as previously suspected
- > There is much more work to do with the HLA region results





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