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Genome-wide association study in a Chinese population identifies a novel locus for T2DM

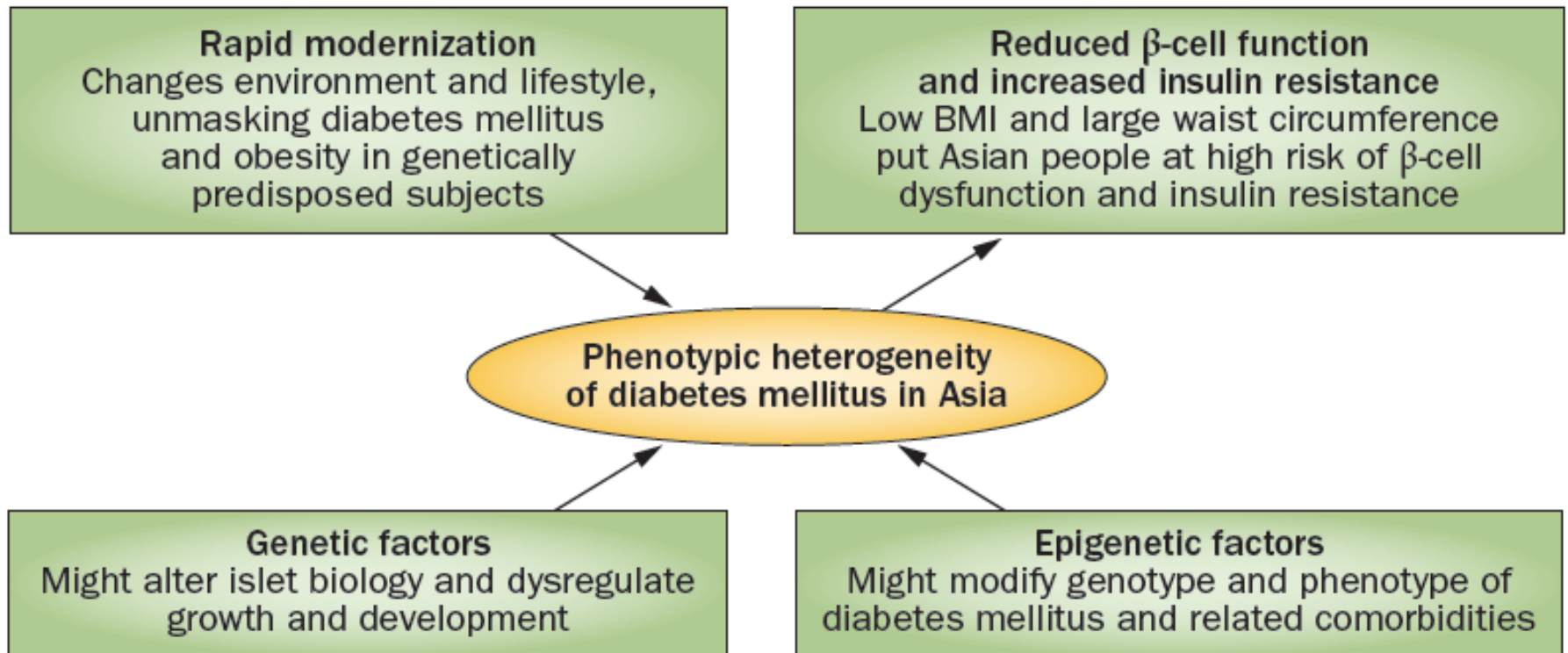
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Outline

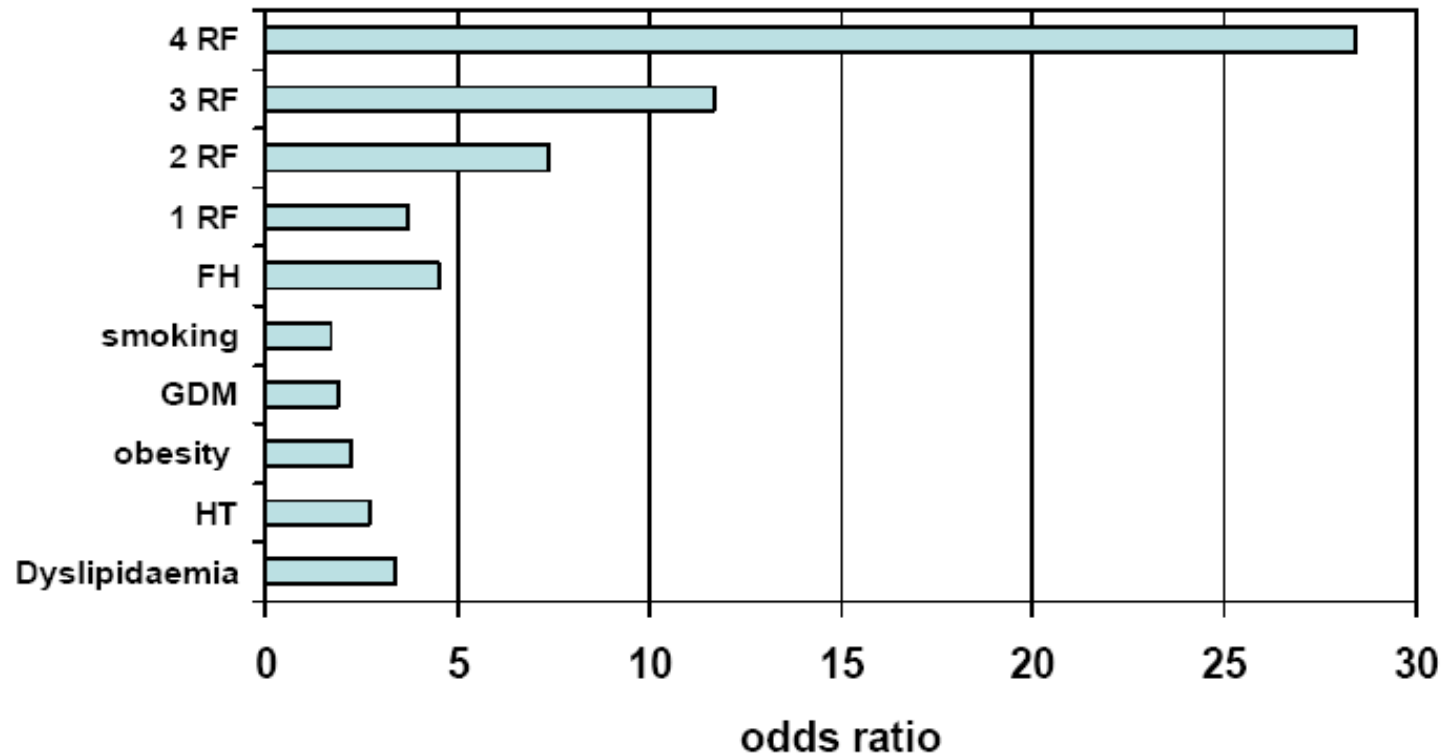
- Update on the genetic basis of T2 DM
- Studies in East Asian populations
- HK-Shanghai GWAS for T2 DM
- Implications of findings and further work

Phenotypic heterogeneity of Diabetes in Asians



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Clinical Predictors of T2 DM in Chinese



1649 adults with RF for DM
All underwent 75g OGTT, 15% T2 DM

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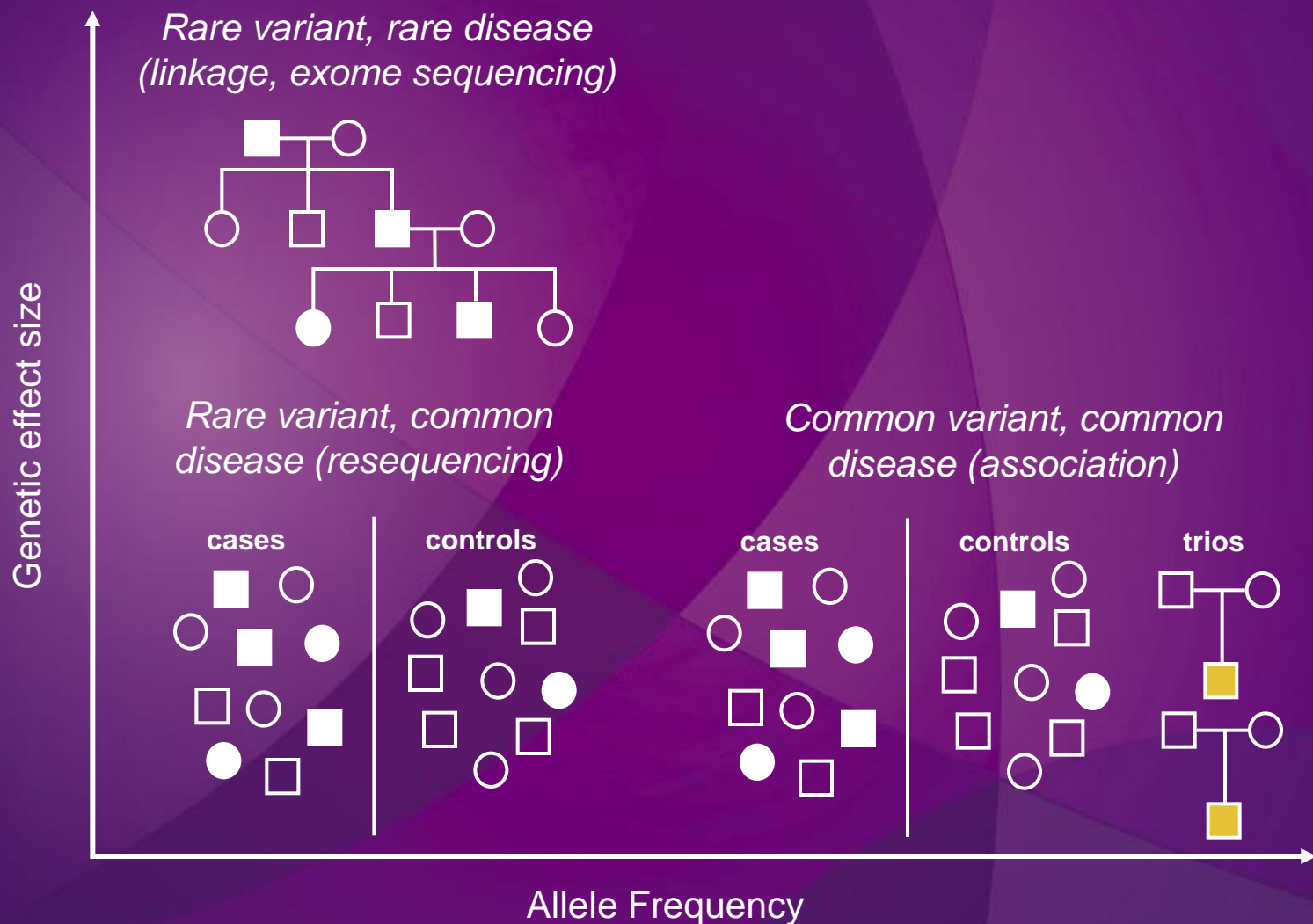
Searching for disease-related genetic variants



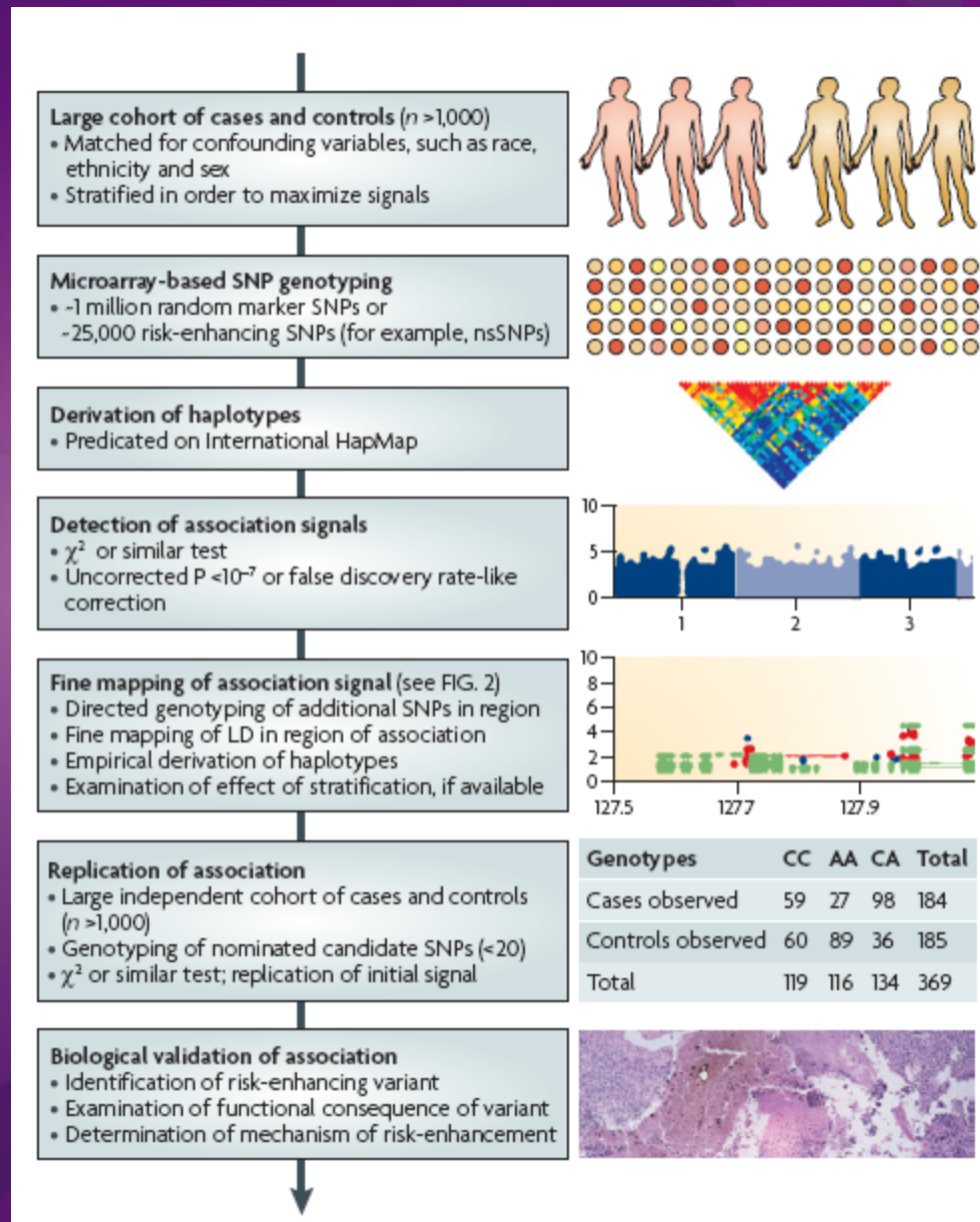
Approaches to genetic studies

- 1) Linkage analysis
- 2) Candidate Gene Approach
 - Case: Control Study
 - Prospective cohort study
- 3) Genome Wide Association Studies
- 4) Bioinformatics analysis

Strategies for discovering genetic factors for diseases

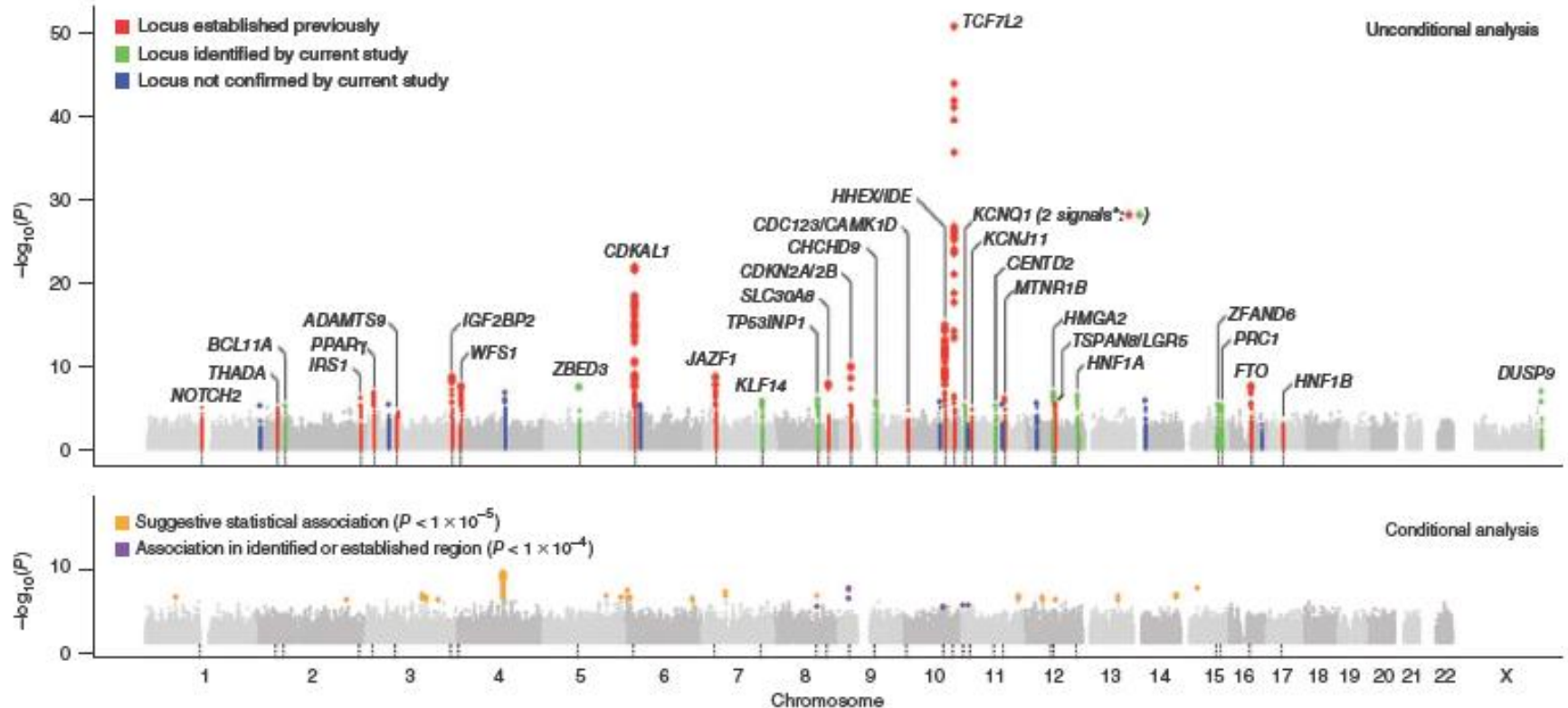


Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS)



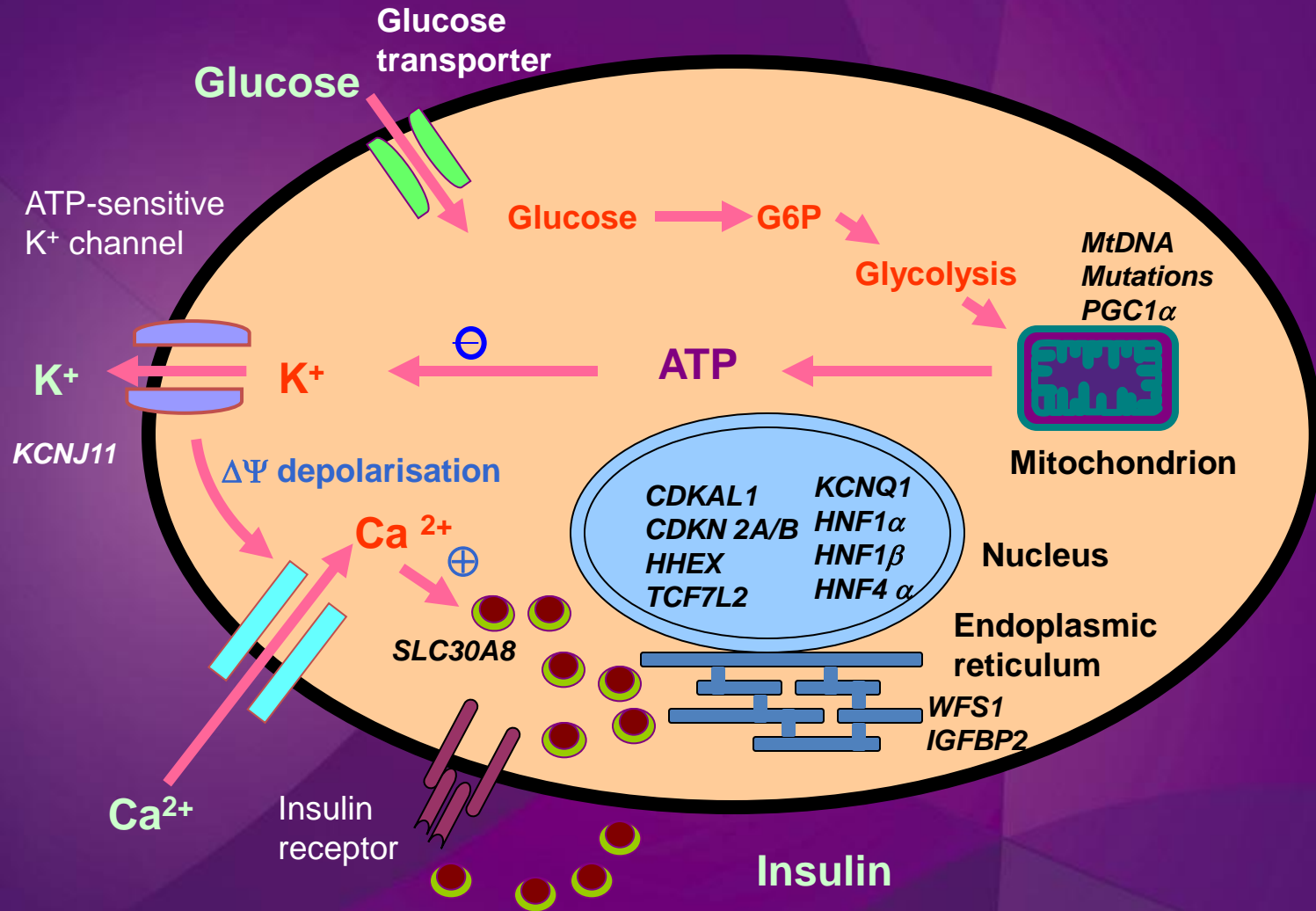
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Identified genetic variants for T2 DM

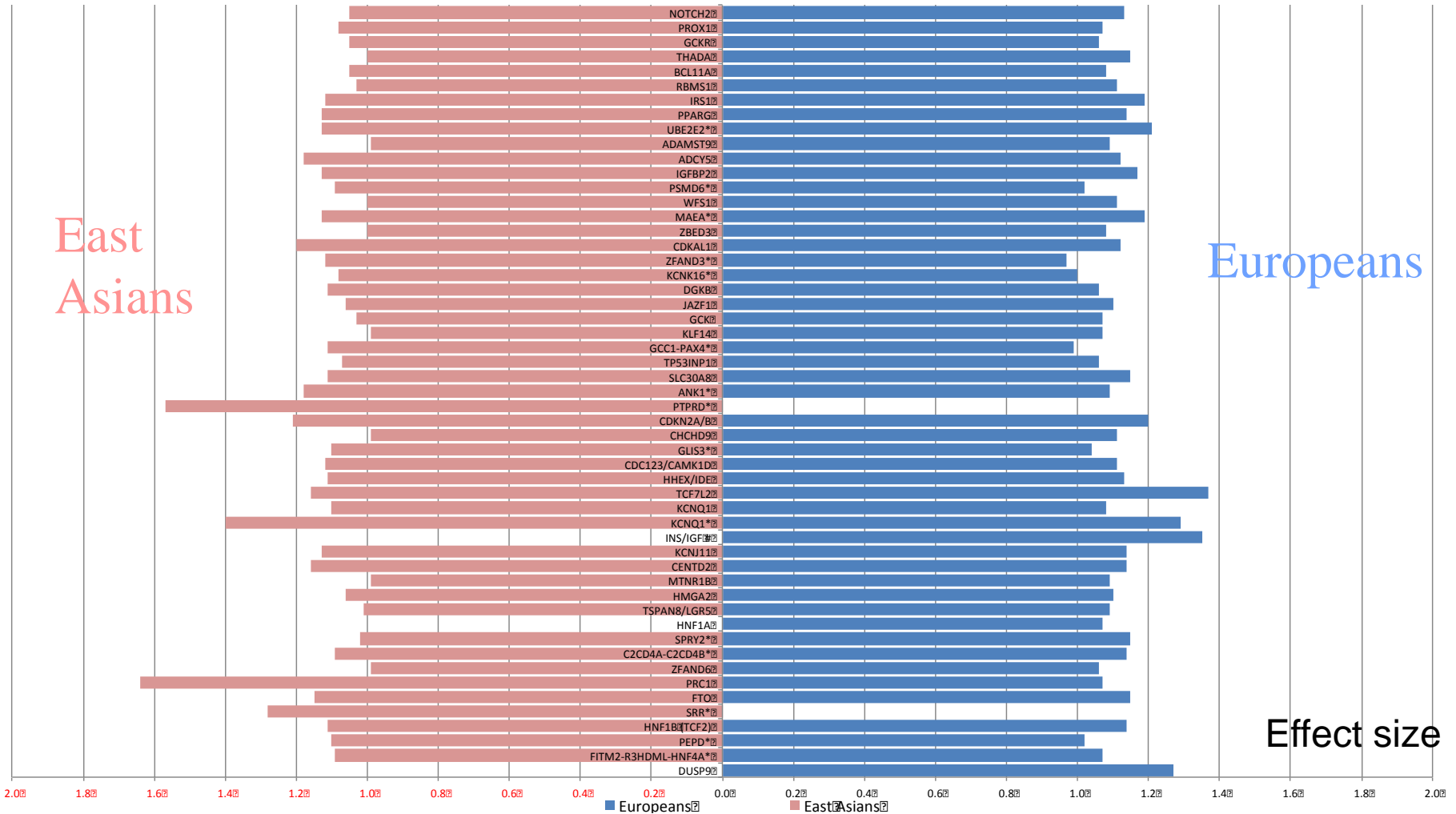


Gene regions as of 7 Nov 2013: >70

Biological function of T2 DM variants

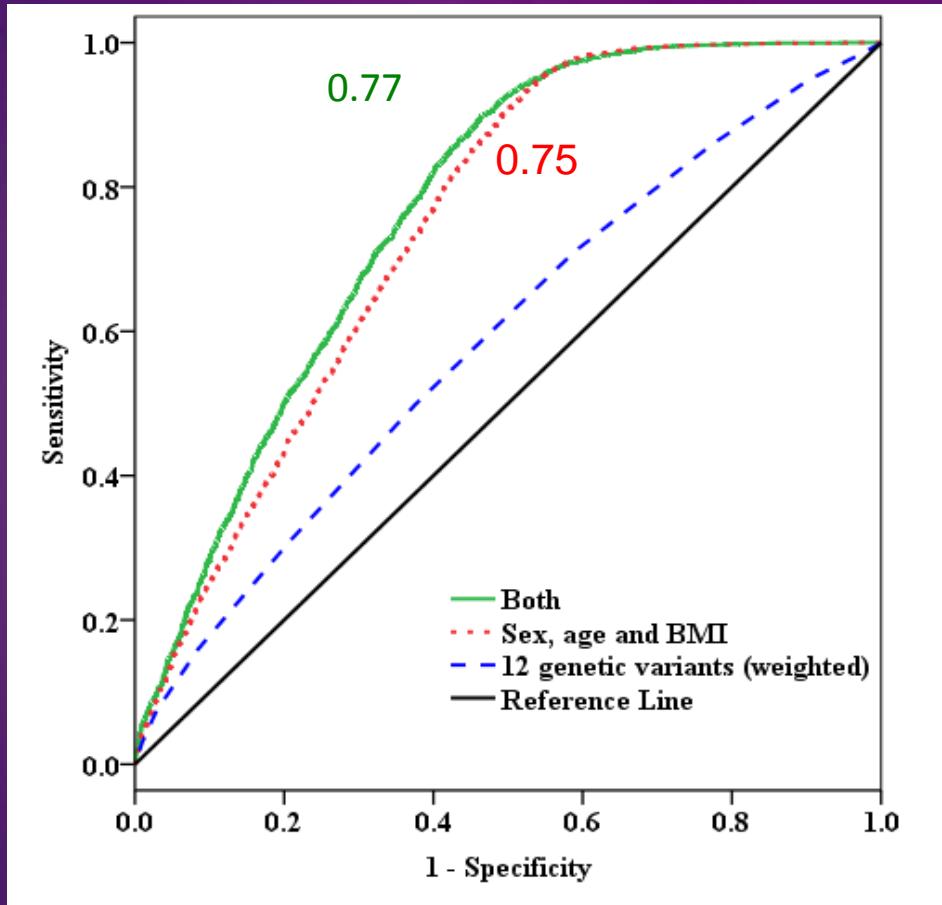


Genetic markers in E.Asians vs Europeans



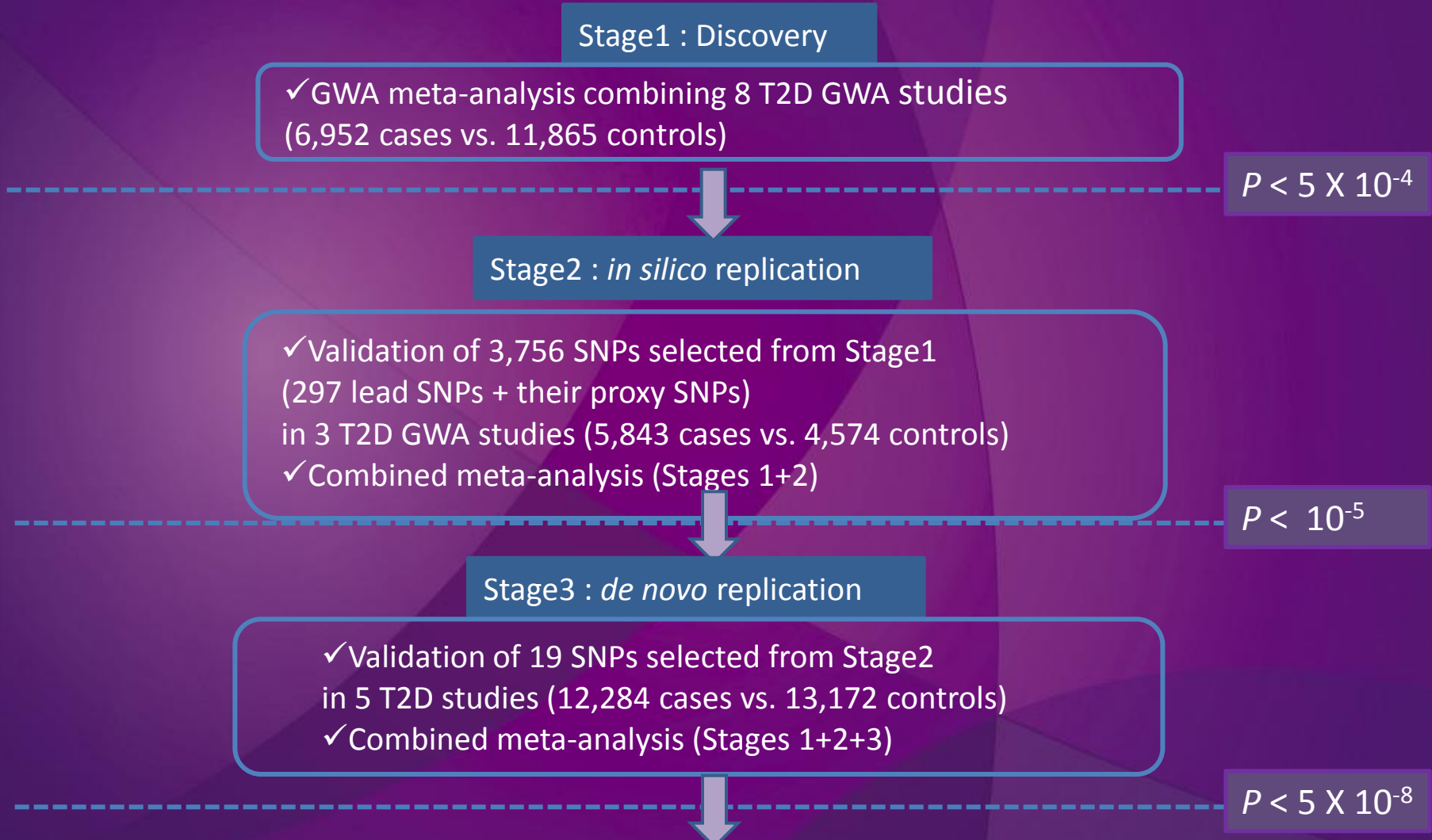
> 60 variants discovered

> 70 variants explain
<10% of heritability of T2D



5,882 T2DM a 2,569 healthy controls

Discovering Asian-relevant Genes Asian GWAS Meta-analysis for T2 DM 25,079 cases and 29,611 controls



Novel T2D SNPs

8 novel loci all implicated in beta cell development and protein metabolism

SNP	chr	Loci	Risk allele	OR (CI)	P-value	Possible functions
rs6815464	4	<i>MAEA</i>	c	1.13 (1.10-1.16)	1.57E-20	erythroblast enucleation & macrophages maturation
rs7041847	9	<i>GLIS3</i>	a	1.10 (1.07-1.13)	1.99E-14	beta cell development and insulin expression
rs6017317	20	<i>FITM2- R3HDML- HNF4A</i>	g	1.09(1.07-1.12)	1.12E-11	pancreatic islet development
rs6467136	7	<i>GCC1</i>	g	1.11 (1.07-1.14)	4.96E-11	organization of the trans-Golgi network
rs831571	3	<i>PSMD6</i>	c	1.09 (1.06-1.12)	8.41E-11	degradation of ubiquitinated proteins
rs9470794	6	<i>ZFAND3</i>	c	1.12 (1.08-1.16)	2.06E-10	zinc finger transcription factor
rs3786897	19	<i>PEPD</i>	a	1.10 (1.07-1.14)	1.30E-08	Beta cell development
rs1535500	6	<i>KCNK16</i>	t	1.08 (1.05-1.11)	2.30E-08	defective regulation of potassium channel activity

Objective

- To identify genetic susceptibility loci in Chinese patients with type 2 diabetes

Stage 1: Meta-analysis of three GWA studies in Chinese population

Hong Kong GWAS 1
using Illumina 550K chip
(99 cases and 99 controls)

Hong Kong GWAS 2
using Illumina 610K chip
(388 cases and 659 controls)

Shanghai GWAS
using Illumina 370K chip
(197 cases and 197 controls)

Imputation using the haplotypes of CHB + JPT in
1000 genome project as reference panel

2,925,090 SNPs were included in meta-analysis



CDKN2A/B + 11 top and proxy SNPs in four loci
 $P < 1 \times 10^{-5}$

Stage 2: *de novo* replication in Chinese population

a) Replication of 11 SNPs in Chinese case-control cohorts

Hong Kong 1
(5366 cases and 2474 controls)

Shanghai 1
(4035 cases and 3964 controls)

Two SNPs: *PAX4* rs10229583 and *TRPS1* rs2737250
 $P < 4.5 \times 10^{-3}$

b) Replication of 2 SNPs in Chinese families

Hong Kong 2 in 178 families
(325 cases and 368 controls)

Shanghai 2 in 248 families
(657 cases and 168 controls)



Meta-analysis of all Chinese cohorts in stage 1+2



One SNP: *PAX4* rs10229583
 $P < 5 \times 10^{-8}$

Stage 3: *in silico* replication in East Asian populations

Japanese
(4465 cases and 3023 controls)

Korean 1
(1042 cases and 2943 controls)

Korean 2
(1183 cases and 1305 controls)

Singapore Chinese 1
(1082 cases and 1006 controls)

Singapore Chinese 2
(928 cases and 939 controls)

Chinese
(1873 cases and 1839 controls)



Meta-analysis of all East Asian cohorts in stage 1+2+3



Stage 4: *in silico* replication in Non-East Asian populations

Singapore Malaysian
(794 cases and 1204 controls)

Singapore Indian
(977 cases and 1169 controls)

Caucasian (DIAGRAM+)
(8130 cases and 38987 controls)

Study	Cohort	N (Male %)	Age (years)	AAD (year)	Diabetes duration (years)	BMI (kg/m ²)	FPG (mmol/l)
Stage 1 (genome scan)							
HK1	Control	99 (36.4)	37.3 ± 10.2	–	–	20.8 ± 2.0	4.7 ± 0.4
	T2D patient	99 (40.4)	40.6 ± 8.8	31.8 ± 7.7	8.0 ± 8.3	30.9 ± 4.4	–
HK2	Diseased control	659 (48.7)	37.1 ± 17.0	–	–	23.3 ± 3.7	–
	T2D patient	388 (49.5)	60.6 ± 10.8	51.1 ± 12.1	9.5 ± 7.0	25.0 ± 3.8	–
SH	Control	197 (50.8)	66.4 ± 10.1	–	–	20.6 ± 1.7	4.8 ± 0.4
	T2D patient	197 (57.9)	41.6 ± 10.4	34.5 ± 4.8	7.3 ± 8.5	23.8 ± 4.1	–
Stage 2 (de novo replication in Chinese)							
HK1	Adolescent control	985 (44.2)	15.5 ± 1.9	–	–	22.7 ± 5.4	4.9 ± 0.4
	Adults control	513 (47.0)	42.0 ± 10.4	–	–	19.9 ± 3.5	4.7 ± 0.3
	Elderly control	976 (51.4)	72.3 ± 5.3	–	–	23.2 ± 3.2	–
	T2D patient	5366 (45.1)	56.7 ± 13.4	48.8 ± 14.9	6.6 ± 6.9	24.6 ± 5.3	–
SH1	Control	3964 (37.6)	51.3 ± 13.5	–	–	23.6 ± 3.2	5.0 ± 0.5
	T2D patient	4035 (52.0)	61.2 ± 12.1	54.2 ± 11.3	7.2 ± 6.9	24.5 ± 3.5	–
HK Family 2	Control	368 (41.0)	37.0 ± 13.6	–	–	24.0 ± 4.1	4.9 ± 0.4
	T2D patient	325 (40.6)	48.0 ± 14.4	41.7 ± 13.1	6.3 ± 7.6	25.9 ± 4.4	–
SH	Control	168 (51.2)	62.8 ± 11.2	–	–	23.7 ± 3.5	4.8 ± 0.6
Family 2	T2D patient	657 (43.7)	54.6 ± 15.6	50.0 ± 14.2	4.9 ± 7.3	23.9 ± 3.5	–

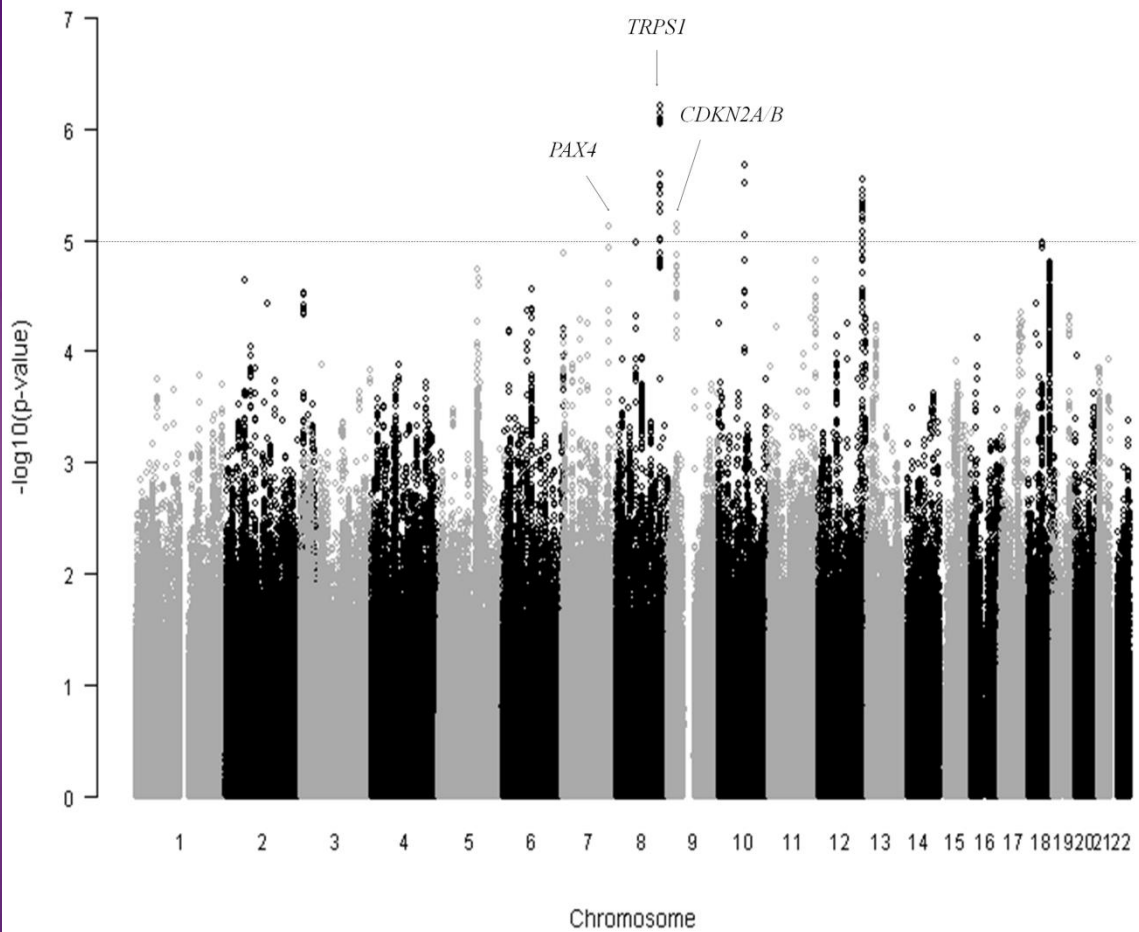


Table 2 Association results for type 2 diabetes (T2D) with 11 top and proxy SNPs in de novo replication stage in Chinese populations

SNP	Chromosome	Nearest gene(s)	Position (B36)	Minor/major allele	Hong Kong replication 1 (5,366 T2D vs 2,474 controls)				Shanghai replication 1 (4,035 T2D vs 3,964 controls)				Combined			
					Case MAF	Control MAF	OR (95% CI)	p_{additive}	Case MAF	Control MAF	OR (95% CI)	p_{additive}	OR (95% CI)	p_{meta} (uncorrected)	p_{het}	I^2
rs10229583	7	<i>PAX4</i>	127034139	A/G	0.847	0.83	1.14 (1.03, 1.23)	0.0077	0.846	0.825	1.16 (1.08, 1.27)	3.7×10^{-4}	1.15 (1.08, 1.22)	1.0×10^{-5}	0.6406	0.000
rs2721960	8	<i>TRPS1</i>	116725904	T/C	0.657	0.644	1.05 (0.98, 1.14)	0.1566	0.655	0.638	1.08 (1.01, 1.15)	0.0277	1.06 (1.02, 1.12)	0.0095	0.7067	0.000
rs2737250	8	<i>TRPS1</i>	116731048	G/A	0.631	0.62	1.05 (0.98, 1.12)	0.1807	0.641	0.621	1.09 (1.02, 1.16)	0.0090	1.08 (1.02, 1.12)	0.0045	0.4582	0.000
rs3858158	10	<i>COL13A1</i>	71310056	C/T	0.516	0.521	0.98 (0.92, 1.05)	0.6000	0.569	0.561	1.03 (0.97, 1.10)	0.3211	1.01 (0.96, 1.05)	0.7408	0.3026	0.506
rs2395272	10	<i>COL13A1</i>	71310261	A/G	0.531	0.534	0.99 (0.93, 1.06)	0.7680	0.594	0.584	1.04 (0.97, 1.11)	0.2312	1.02 (0.97, 1.06)	0.4589	0.3027	0.364
rs57703465	10	<i>COL13A1</i>	71311074	T/C	0.654	0.662	0.96 (0.89, 1.04)	0.3463	0.667	0.656	1.05 (0.98, 1.12)	0.1502	1.01 (0.96, 1.06)	0.6467	0.0976	0.765
rs11065441	12	<i>P2RX7</i>	120045354	C/T	0.728	0.724	1.02 (0.94, 1.11)	0.6224	0.728	0.733	0.97 (0.91, 1.04)	0.4312	0.99 (0.94, 1.05)	0.7756	0.3748	0.000
rs684201	12	<i>P2RX7</i>	120054726	A/G	0.73	0.726	1.02 (0.94, 1.10)	0.5916	0.735	0.739	0.98 (0.91, 1.05)	0.5609	1.00 (0.94, 1.05)	0.9462	0.4332	0.000
rs11065450	12	<i>P2RX7</i>	120064040	A/C	0.682	0.688	0.97 (0.90, 1.05)	0.4995	0.702	0.707	0.98 (0.92, 1.05)	0.5520	0.98 (0.93, 1.03)	0.3699	0.9111	0.000
rs208290	12	<i>P2RX7</i>	120078439	T/C	0.612	0.609	1.01 (0.94, 1.09)	0.7086	0.643	0.645	0.99 (0.93, 1.06)	0.7950	1.00 (0.95, 1.05)	0.9605	0.6472	0.000
rs10849851	12	<i>P2RX7</i>	120081027	G/A	0.727	0.72	1.03 (0.95, 1.12)	0.4079	0.737	0.741	0.98 (0.91, 1.05)	0.5237	1.00 (0.95, 1.05)	0.9308	0.3002	0.068

Nearest Entrez genes within 250 kb

p , p_{meta} and p_{het} represent p values from logistic regression without any adjustment under the additive genetic model, meta-analysis under a fixed effect model (uncorrected for multiple testing) and test of heterogeneity, respectively

ORs are reported with respect to the minor allele

Study	Cohort	N (Male %)	Age (years)	AAD (year)	Diabetes duration (years)	BMI (kg/m ²)	FPG (mmol/l)
Stage 3 (in silico replication in East Asians)							
Japanese	Control	3023 (54.5)	51.9 ± 15.2	–	–	22.4 ± 3.7	–
	T2D patient	4465 (68.0)	65.8 ± 10.0	56.5 ± 11.4	9.4 ± 8.4	24.1 ± 3.8	–
Korean 1	Control	2943 (46.0)	51.1 ± 8.6	–	–	24.1 ± 3.0	4.5 ± 0.4
	T2D patient	1042 (51.7)	56.4 ± 8.6	–	–	25.5 ± 3.3	7.0 ± 2.6
Korean 2	Control	1305 (54.5)	65.2 ± 2.6	–	–	23.9 ± 3.0	5.0 ± 0.5
	T2D patient	1183 (46.5)	58.6 ± 7.1	–	–	25.2 ± 3.4	7.4 ± 2.7
Singapore Chinese 1	Control	1006 (21.6)	47.7 ± 11.1	–	–	22.3 ± 3.7	4.7 ± 0.4
	T2D patient	1082 (37.2)	65.1 ± 9.7	55.7 ± 12.0	–	25.3 ± 3.9	–
Singapore Chinese 2	Control	939 (63.8)	46.7 ± 10.2	–	–	22.8 ± 3.4	4.7 ± 0.5
	T2D patient	928 (64.9)	63.7 ± 10.8	52.2 ± 14.4	–	25.4 ± 3.8	–
Chinese	Control	1839 (43.7)	54.1 ± 9.2	–	–	24.00 ± 3.18	5.04 ± 0.35
	T2D patient	1873 (46.0)	58.6 ± 8.4	–	–	25.00 ± 3.24	8.43 ± 2.90

Identification of novel T2D loci in Chinese

Stage 1: Meta-analysis of GWAS in Chinese
684 T2 DM cases: 955 controls



Stage 2: *de novo* replication in Chinese
11067 T2 DM: 7929 controls



Stage 3: *in silico* replication in East Asians
10573 T2 DM: 11055 controls



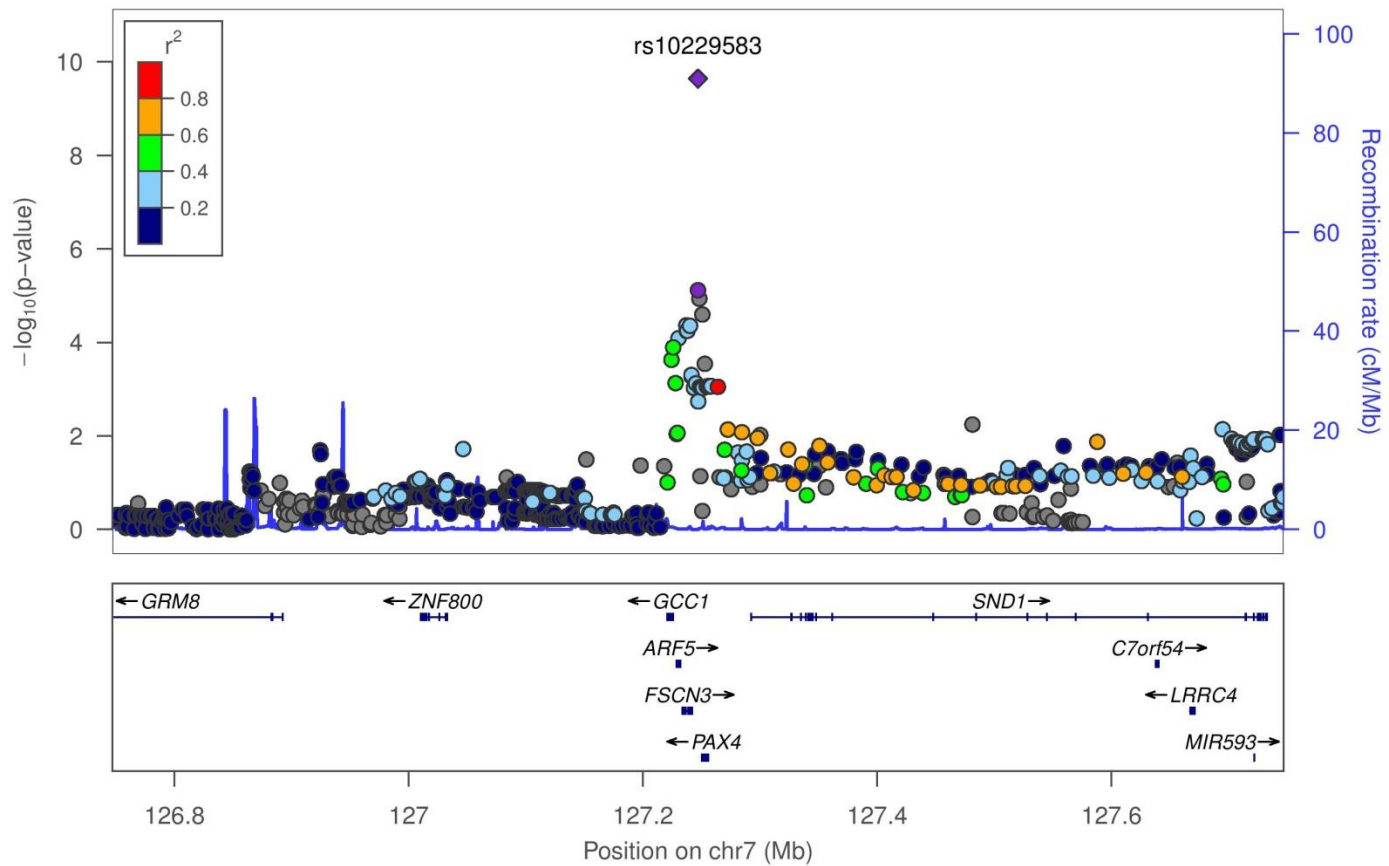
Stage 4: *in silico* replication in other populations
9901 T2 DM: 41360 controls
Global meta-analysis of stages 1+2+3+4
31541 cases: 60344 controls

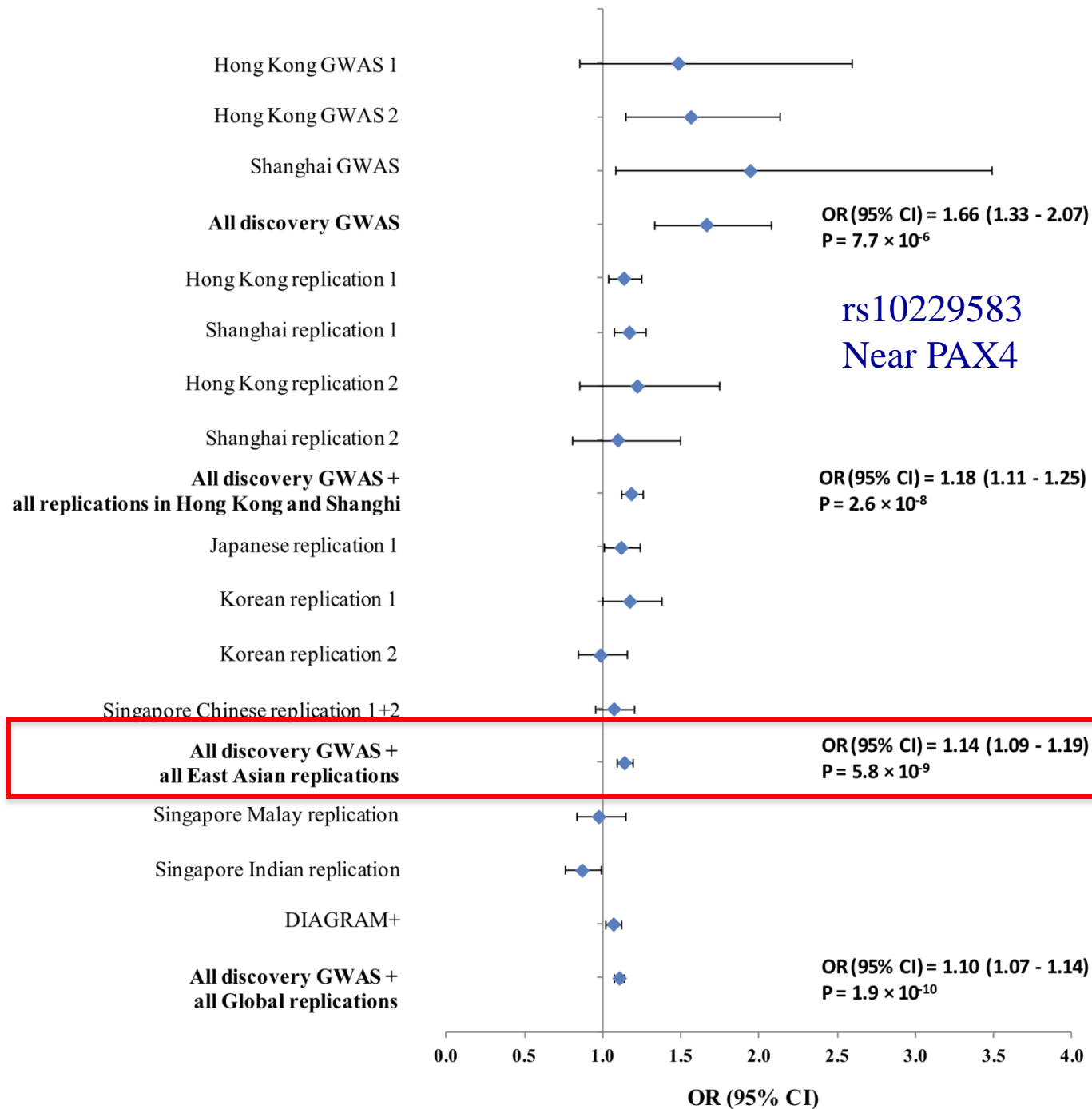
Stage	Cohort	Adjustment	N		Risk allele frequencies			p_{additive} (uncorrected GC)	p_{het}	I^2
			T2D	Control	T2D	Control	OR (95% CI)			
1. Discovery	Hong Kong GWAS 1	Sex and age	99	99	0.879	0.818	1.48 (0.85, 2.59)	0.1645		
	Hong Kong GWAS 2	Sex and age	388	659	0.857	0.820	1.56 (1.14, 2.13)	0.0055		
	Shanghai GWAS	None	197	197	0.873	0.777	1.92 (1.32, 2.79)	5.0×10^{-4}		
	Meta-analysis of GWAS		684	955			1.66 (1.33, 2.07)	7.7×10^{-6}	0.6455	0.000
2. De novo replications in Hong Kong and Shanghai	Hong Kong replication 1	None	5,366	2,474	0.847	0.831	1.13 (1.03, 1.24)	7.7×10^{-3}		
	Shanghai replication 1	None	4,035	3,964	0.846	0.825	1.17 (1.07, 1.27)	3.7×10^{-4}		
	Hong Kong family replication 2	Sex and age	325	368	0.872	0.856	1.22 (0.85, 1.74)	0.2817		
	Shanghai family replication 2	Sex and age	657	168	0.824	0.813	1.09 (0.80, 1.49)	0.5757		
	Replication in Chinese		10,383	6,974			1.15 (1.08, 1.22)	1.0×10^{-5}	0.6406	0.000
	Meta-analysis of Chinese		11,067	7,929			1.18 (1.11, 1.25)	2.6×10^{-8}	0.0839	0.596
3. In silico replications in East Asians	Japanese replication	None	4,465	3,023	0.892	0.881	1.11 (1.01, 1.23)	0.0379		
	Korean replication 1	None	1,042	2,943	0.894	0.878	1.17 (0.99, 1.38)	0.0577		
	Korean replication 2	None	1,183	1,305	0.841	0.844	0.98 (0.84, 1.15)	0.8101		
	Singapore Chinese replication 1	None	1,082	1,006	0.832	0.819	1.07 (0.95, 1.20)	0.2728		
	Singapore Chinese replication 2	None	928	939	0.833	0.816				
	Chinese replication	First 2 PCs	1,873	1,839	0.8396	0.8167	1.17 (1.04, 1.32)	0.01091		
	Replication in other East Asian		10,573	11,055			1.10 (1.04, 1.17)	6.0×10^{-4}	0.6767	0.000
	Meta-analysis of East Asian		21,640	18,984			1.14 (1.09, 1.19)	2.3×10^{-10}	0.5939	0.000
4. In silico replications in South Asians and Europeans	Singapore Malaysian replication	None	794	1,204	0.798	0.804	0.97 (0.83, 1.14)	0.7185		
	Singapore Indian replication	None	977	1,169	0.647	0.682	0.86 (0.76, 0.98)	0.0276		
	DIAGRAM	None	8,130	38,987	–	–	1.06 (1.02, 1.12)	8.6×10^{-3}		
	Replication in non-East Asian		9,901	41,360			1.03 (0.99, 1.08)	0.1156	0.0042	0.878

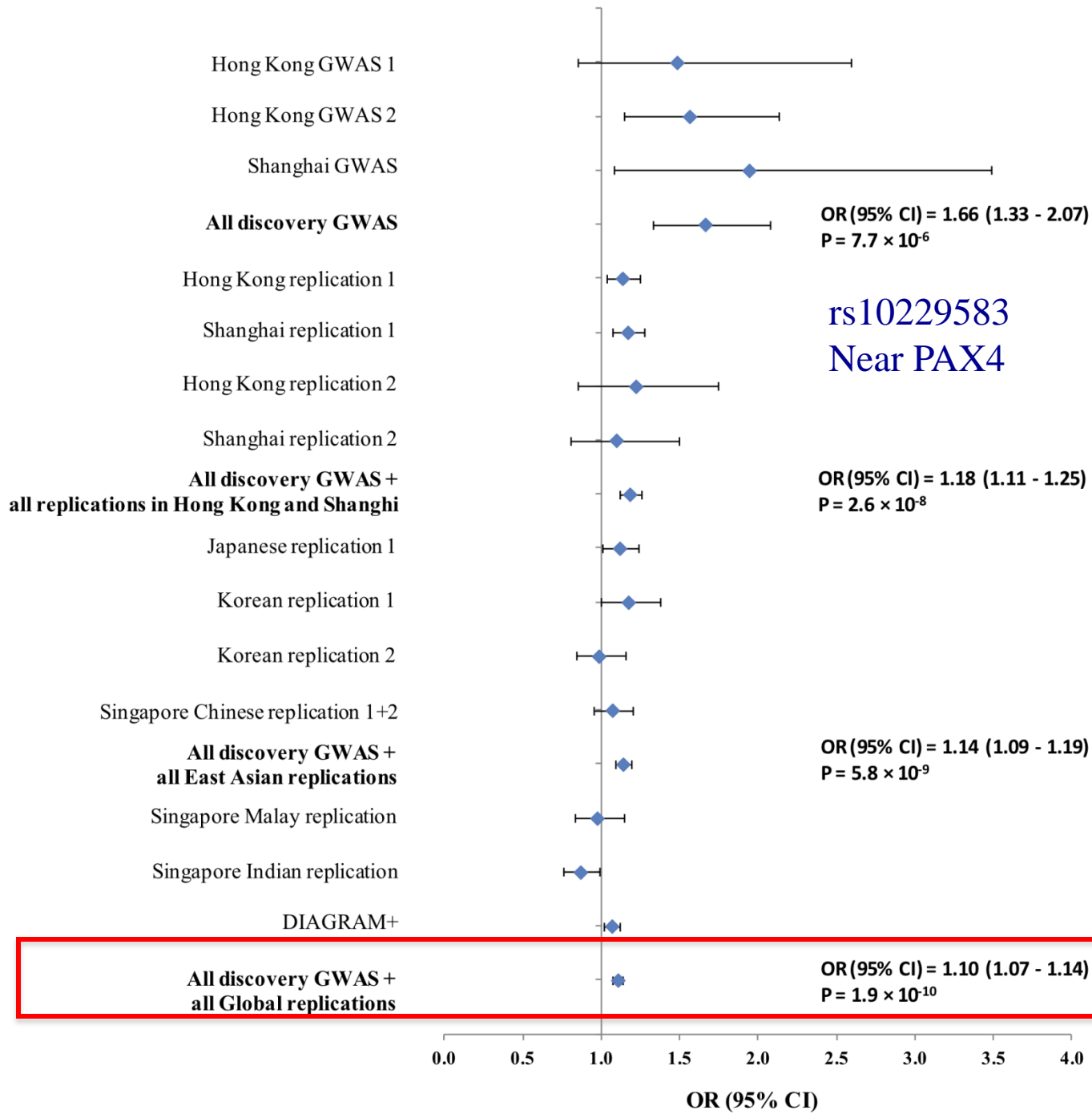
ORs and 95% CIs were reported with respect to the T2D-related risk alleles (G)

p_{het} refers to the p value obtained from the heterogeneity test

GC, genomic control; PC, principal components





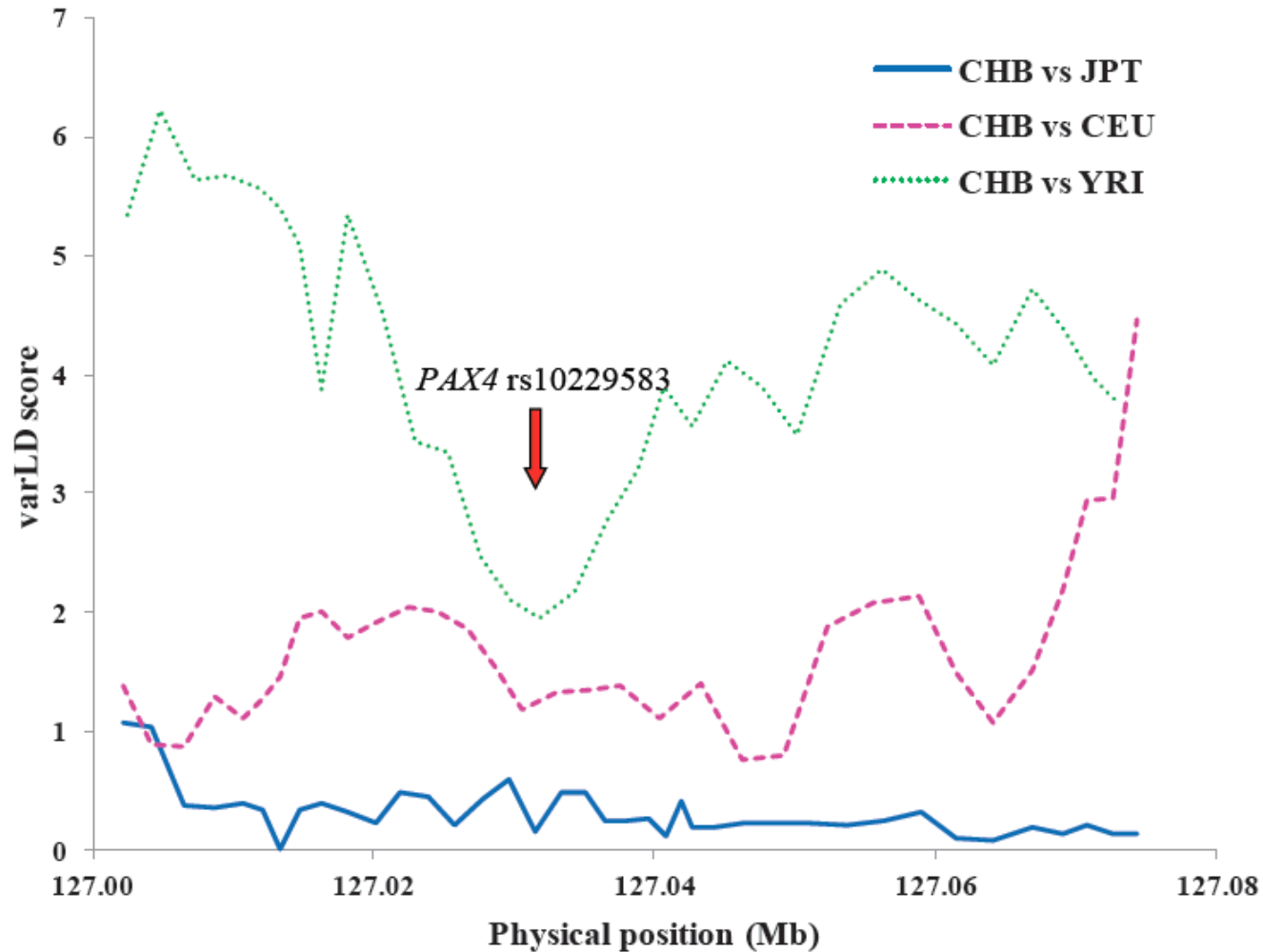


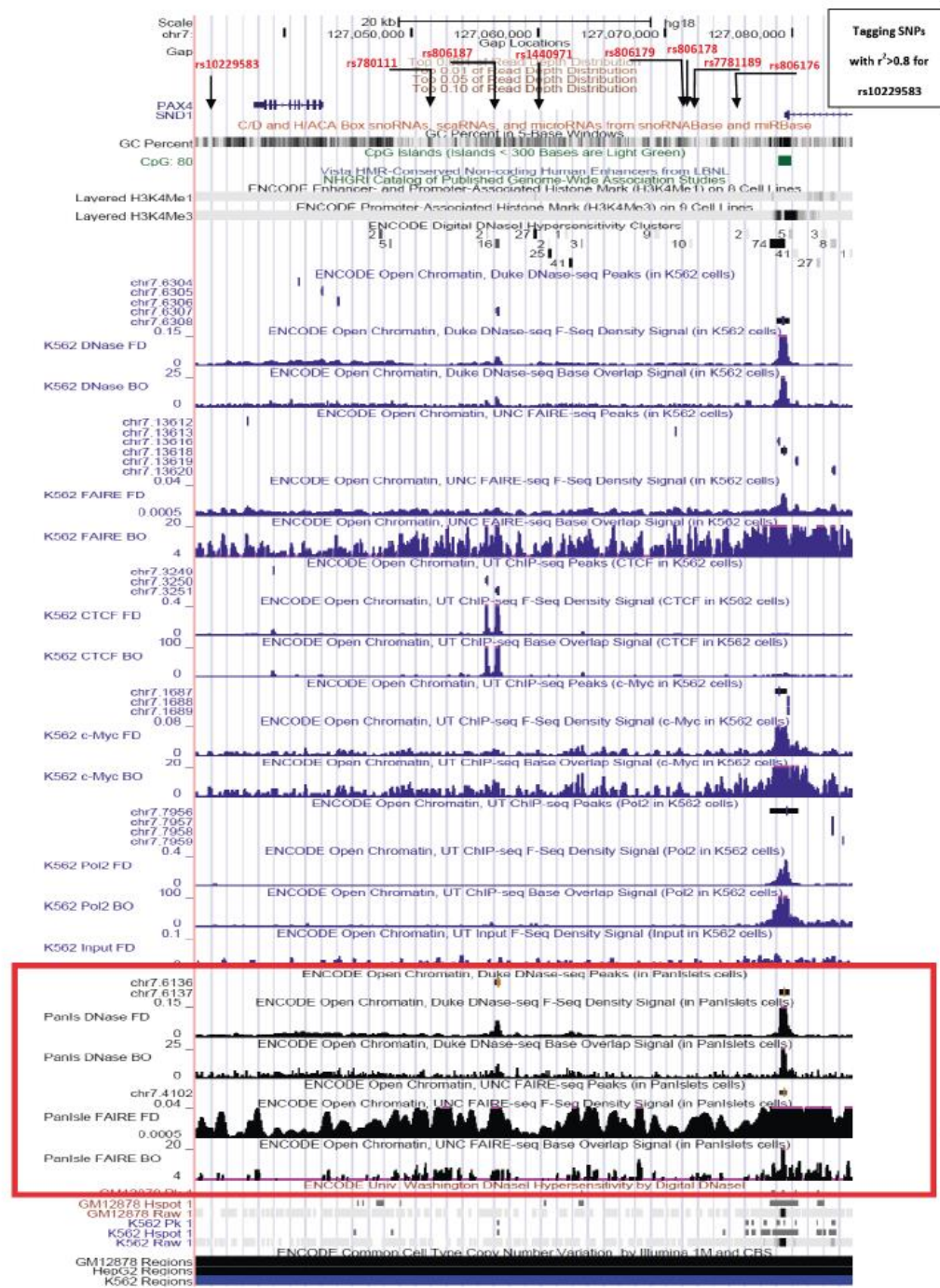
Heterogeneity in effects between East Asians and other populations

Population	OR	Heterogeneity of OR	
	(95% CI)	<i>Q</i> test <i>P</i>	<i>I</i> ²
Chinese	1.18 (1.11, 1.25)	--	--
Japanese + Korean	1.09 (1.01, 1.18)	0.1254	0.5742
DIAGRAM+	1.06 (1.02, 1.12)	0.0088	0.8544
Malaysian + Indian	0.90 (0.82, 1.00)	1.1×10^{-5}	0.9485

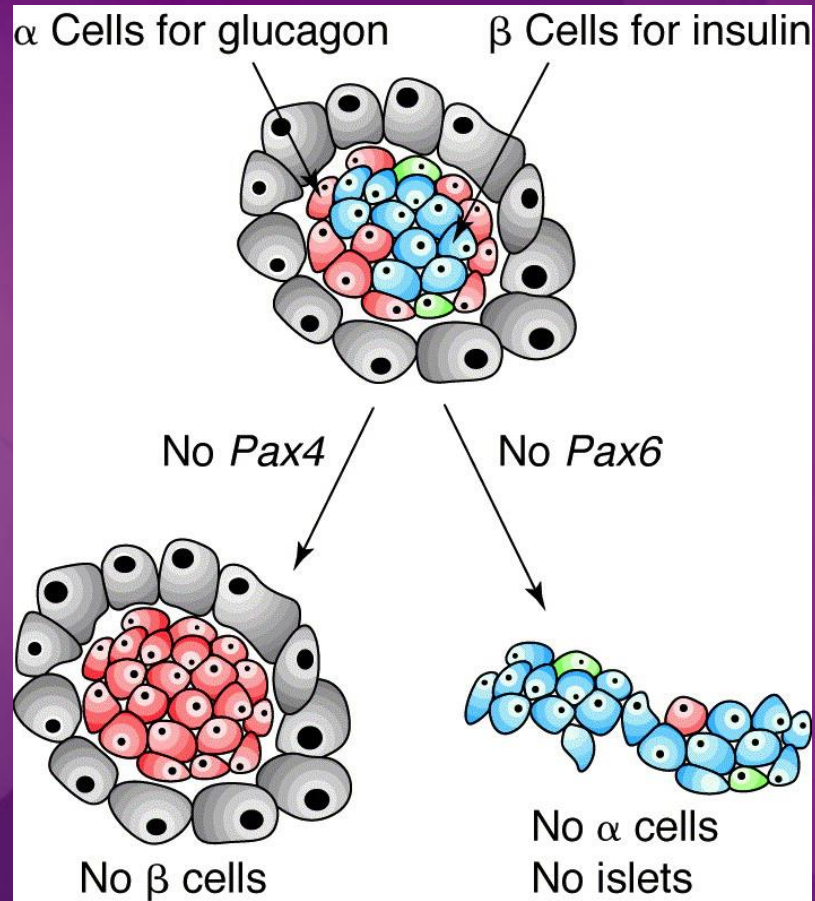
Q test *P* and *I*² refer to the statistical significance and quantified index of heterogeneity test of OR between Chinese and other populations, respectively.

Significant Variation in LD and genetic architecture around the identified loci



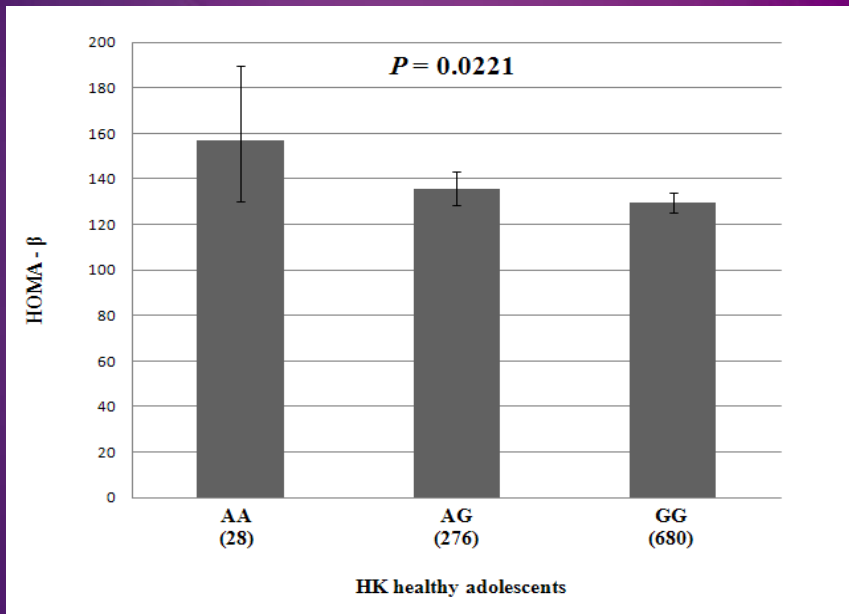


Function of PAX4

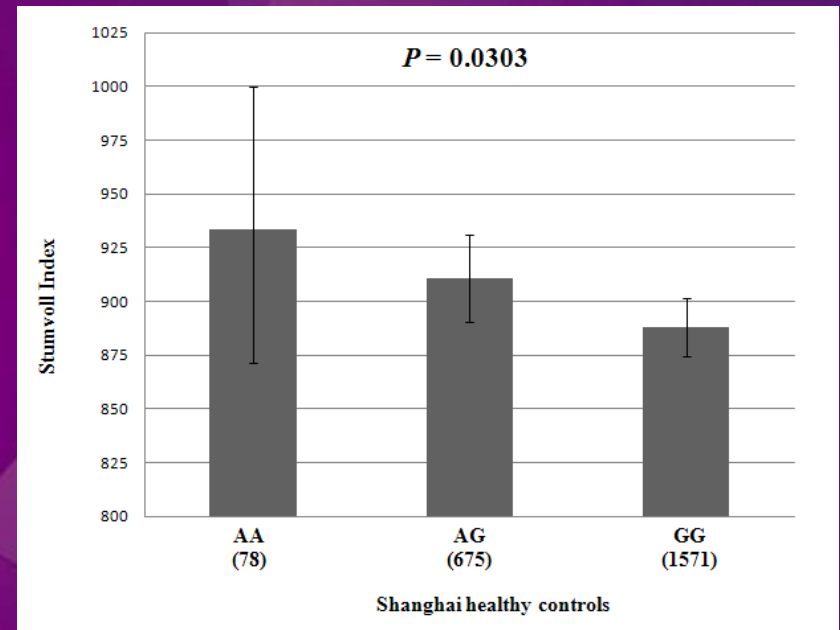


Non-diabetic carriers of the risk variant had impaired beta-cell function

Healthy adolescents in HK



Shanghai healthy controls



Associated with earlier age of diagnosis among Chinese with T2DM:
 $P=2.3 \times 10^{-4}$, $\beta_{unadjusted} \pm SE = -0.90 \pm 0.24$)

Summary

- GWAS meta-analysis in Chinese patients with T2DM identified a novel loci for T2DM
- Non-diabetic individuals who carry the risk variant have evidence of impaired beta-cell function
- The variant resides in a region of genetic variability

Genome-wide association study in a Chinese population identifies a susceptibility locus for type 2 diabetes at 7q32 near *PAX4*

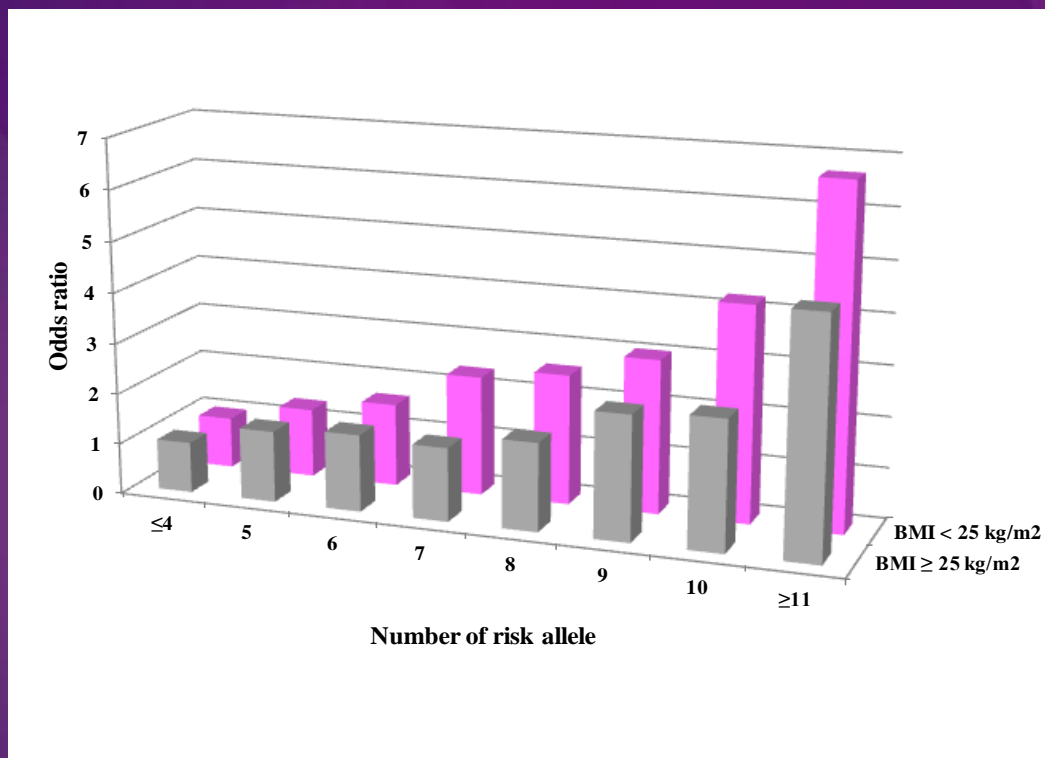
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Targeted re-sequencing studies of PAX4 region

Utilization of genetic score for T2DM



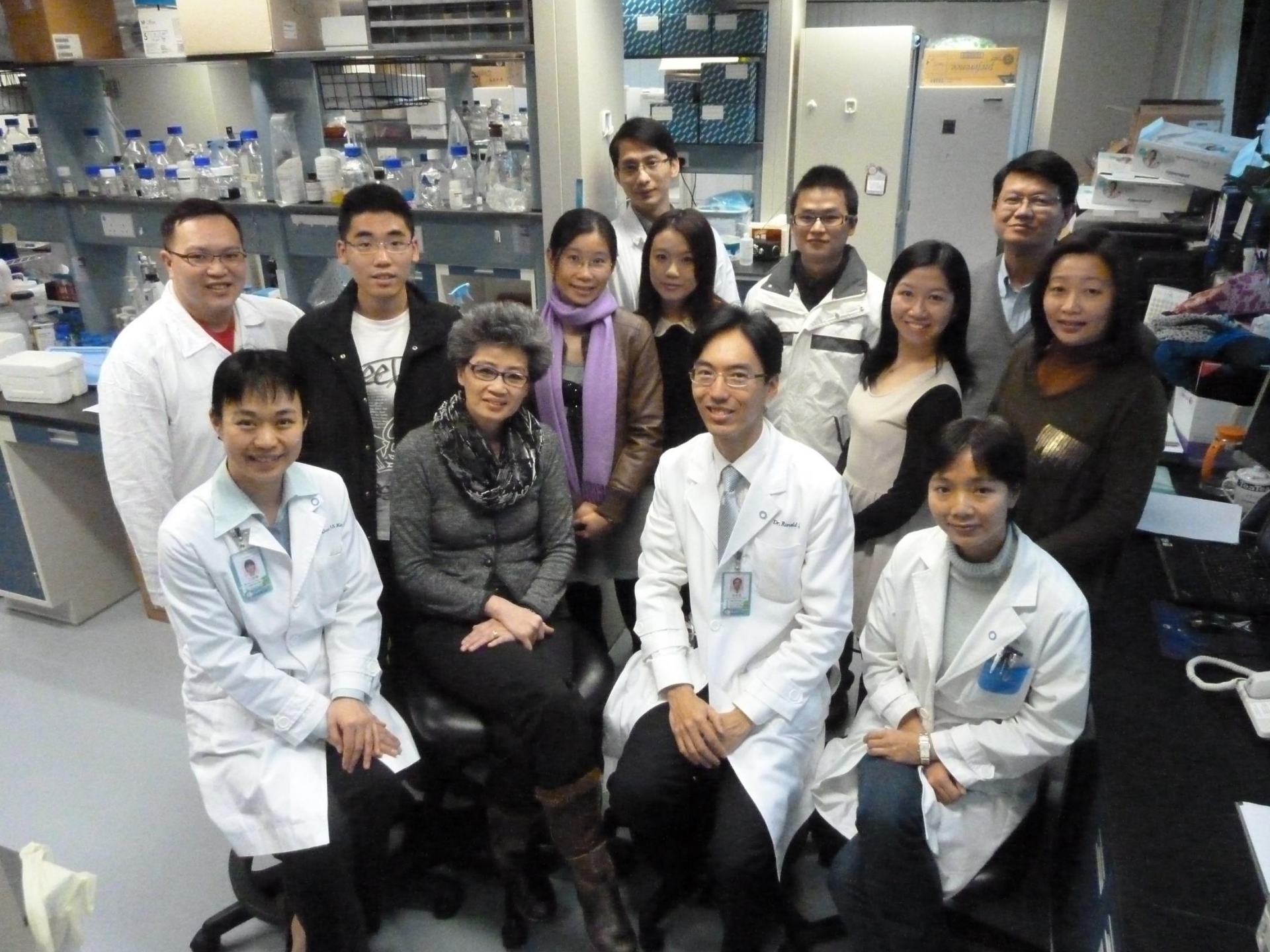
CGS from 8 loci:

IGF2BP2 rs4402960,
WFS1 rs734312,
CDKAL1 rs7756992,
SLC30A8 rs13266634,
CDKN2A/B rs10811661,
HHEX rs7923837,
TCF7L2 rs7903146
KCNQ1 rs2237892

Controls: increasing number of risk alleles for CGS asso with lower HOMA-beta
For T2DM: increasing number of risk alleles asso with lower BMI, WC
Increasing alleles asso with younger age of onset of T2DM
Increasing numbers of alleles also asso. with insulin use at time of recruitment

Conclusions

- Genome-wide association study in Chinese have identified a novel locus for T2DM
- The risk variant is associated with reduced beta-cell function and earlier age of onset in Asians
- Targeted re-sequencing has identified additional variants within the region
- Incorporation of genetic markers to improved prediction of treatment outcome



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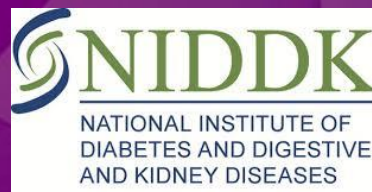
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