

Supplementary Note

Multi-ancestry genome-wide analysis identifies effector genes and druggable pathways for coronary artery calcification

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Supplementary Methods

Conditional and joint analyses. We utilized COJO to evaluate evidence for independent associations within loci that were identified as significant in the combined study population¹. Due to reliance on LD and the lack of an appropriate reference population for African Americans, we ran COJO only for the European ancestry meta-analyzed summary statistics. We used relevant 1000G Phase 3 populations to generate LD references including all EUR populations aside from FIN. We used Plink v1.90b6.16 to generate bed files for the 1000G EUR population and restricted the analyses to the variants that were not monomorphic in the combined study cohorts². COJO was subsequently run on the 1000G bed files using a maximum p-value threshold of 1×10^{-5} and a window size of 1Mb.

Credible set analyses. 95% credible sets were generated for each significantly associated locus separately in the meta-analyzed summary statistics from European and African ancestry-only summary statistics using a script adapted from³ (available on Github: https://github.com/MillerLab-CPHG/Fine_mapping/tree/main/scripts/R). In short, Bayesian posterior probability values were generated for each variant within the respective locus, after which variants were selected until a cumulative 95% posterior probability was achieved. For improved interpretability, we present the total number of variants with a posterior probability >1% to represent the size of the credible set, and report the variant with the highest posterior probability by ancestry group for associations within each locus.

Functional annotation and gene mapping. We first annotated the function of variants using the Ensembl Variant Effect Predictor (v92)⁴. We used FUMA (v1.3.6a, <http://fuma.ctglab.nl/>)⁵ for functional annotation of the GWAS results based on 1000G phase 3 (version 5 based on ALL populations) and Ensembl 92 (only protein-coding genes were considered, n = 19,177). Variants were filtered while performing annotation based on positional gene mapping (maximum distance 10kb), eQTL-based gene mapping, and 3D chromatin interaction mapping using a minimum CADD score ≥ 12.37 (considered to be suggestively deleterious), a maximum RegulomeDB score of 7, a maximum 15-core chromatin state of 7 using all available tissues. For eQTL mapping aorta, coronary and tibial artery derived data (GTEx v8) were used and a FDR < 0.05 was applied. For the 3D chromatin interaction analysis an FDR < 10^{-6} threshold was applied using all the available data from Roadmap. We defined the promoter region in a window of 250 Kb upstream and 500 Kb downstream of the TSS to overlap genes with significantly interacting regions, and only variants overlapping enhancers and genes whose promoters overlap epigenomic regions were used. Variants were annotated using ANNOVAR version 2017-07-17⁶ as implemented in FUMA.

GTEx query. Candidate CAC genes were queried in the Genotype Tissue Expression (GTEx) database (version 8) via the online portal (<https://gtexportal.org/home/>). This release includes 54 unique human tissues from 948 donors. Bulk RNA-seq processing and analysis details are

available on the portal website. Queries of normalized mean gene expression levels per tissue were limited to the most relevant tissues and clustered using the Multi-Gene Query Tool.

Activity-by contact and enhancer linking. We used the combined EA and AA CAC variants filtered to suggestive associations ($P < 1 \times 10^{-5}$) to intersect with genome-wide enhancer-gene predictions calculated in the activity-by-contact models⁷. We used both the ENCODE coronary artery tissue and human coronary artery smooth muscle cell based annotations from H3K27ac histone modification ChIP-seq and chromatin accessibility datasets, and we considered significant enhancer-gene predictions with ABC scores > 0.02 , as previously described⁸. For enhancer-gene linking annotations we again used the above CAC summary associations at $P < 1 \times 10^{-5}$ and intersected these variants with human aortic enhancer states (6,7, and 12) calculated from the Epigenomics Roadmap consortium⁹.

Athero-Express Biobank Study

Patient population

Atherosclerotic plaques were obtained from patients undergoing a carotid endarterectomy (CEA) procedure and included in the Athero-Express Biobank Study (AE, www.atheroexpress.nl), an ongoing biobank study at the University Medical Centre Utrecht (Utrecht, The Netherlands) and the St. Antonius Hospital (Nieuwegein, The Netherlands)¹⁰. This study complies with the Declaration of Helsinki, and all participants provided informed consent. The medical ethical committees of the respective hospitals approved this study which was registered under number TME/C-01.18. The study design of the AE was described before¹⁰, but in brief: during surgery blood and plaques are obtained, stored at -80°C and plaque material is routinely used for histological analysis^{10,11}.

Histological phenotyping

We described the standardized (immuno)histochemical analysis protocols used in the AE before^{10,11}. In short, 10-micron cross-sections of the paraffin-embedded segments were cut using a microtome and examined under a microscope. We quantitatively scored the number of macrophages (CD68) and smooth muscle cells (SMCs, α -actin), as percentage of the microscopy field area by computerized analysis using AnalySIS 3.2 software (Soft Imaging Systems GmbH, Münster, Germany). Intraplaque vessel density (CD34) was assessed as the average number per 3 hotspots. Intraplaque hemorrhage (IPH) was scored as no/yes using a hematoxylin and eosin staining (HE). Intraplaque fat was defined as less or more than 40% fat per total plaque area using HE. The amount of calcification (using HE) and collagen (picrosirius red) were binary scored as no/minor vs. moderate/heavy staining.

Assessment of overall plaque vulnerability was performed as previously described by Verhoeven et al.¹². Briefly, macrophages and smooth muscle cells were semi-quantitatively defined as no/minor or moderate/heavy. Each plaque characteristic that defines a stable plaque

(i.e., no/minor macrophages, moderate/heavy collagen, moderate/heavy smooth muscle cells and <10% fat) was given a score of 0, while each plaque characteristic that defines a vulnerable plaque (i.e., moderate/heavy macrophages, no/minor collagen, no/minor smooth muscle cells and $\geq 10\%$ fat) was given a score of 1. The score of each plaque characteristic was summed resulting in a final plaque score ranging from 0 (most stable plaque) to 4 (most vulnerable plaque). All histological observations were performed by the same dedicated technician and interobserver analyses have been reported previously¹³.

DNA isolation, genotyping, and imputation

DNA isolation and genotyping

We genotyped the AE in three separate, but consecutive experiments. In short, DNA was extracted from EDTA blood or (when no blood was available) plaque samples of 1,858 consecutive patients from the Athero-Express Biobank Study and genotyped in 3 batches. For the Athero-Express Genomics Study 1 (AEGS1) 891 patients (602 males, 262 females, 27 unknown sex), included between 2002 and 2007, were genotyped (440,763 markers) using the Affymetrix Genome-Wide Human SNP Array 5.0 (SNP5) chip (Affymetrix Inc., Santa Clara, CA, USA) at Eurofins Genomics (<https://www.eurofinsgenomics.eu/>, formerly known as AROS). For the Athero-Express Genomics Study 2 (AEGS2) 954 patients (640 males, 313 females, 1 unknown sex), included between 2002 and 2013, were genotyped (587,351 markers) using the Affymetrix Axiom® GW CEU 1 Array (AxM) at the Genome Analysis Center (<https://www.helmholtz-muenchen.de>). The two first batches, AEGS1 and AEGS2, were described before¹⁴. For the Athero-Express Genomics Study 3 (AEGS3) 658 patients (448 males, 203 females, 5 unknown sex), included between 2002 and 2016, were genotyped (693,931 markers) using the Illumina GSA MD v1 BeadArray (GSA) at Human Genomics Facility, HUGE-F (<http://glimdna.org/index.html>). All experiments were carried out according to OECD standards. We used the genotyping calling algorithms as advised by Affymetrix (AEGS1 and AEGS2) and Illumina (AEGS3): BRLMM-P, AxiomGT1, and Illumina GenomeStudio respectively.

Quality control after genotyping

After genotype calling, we adhered to community standard quality control and assurance (QCA) procedures of the genotype data from AEGS1, AEGS2, and AEGS3^{14,15}. Samples with low average genotype calling and sex discrepancies (compared to the clinical data available) were excluded. The data was further filtered on 1) individual (sample) call rate > 97%, 2) SNP call rate > 97%, 3) minor allele frequencies (MAF) > 3%, 4) average heterozygosity rate ± 3.0 s.d., 5) relatedness (π -hat > 0.20), 6) Hardy-Weinberg Equilibrium (HWE $p < 1.0 \times 10^{-3}$), and 7) Monomorphic SNPs ($< 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$). After QCA 2,493 samples remained, 108 of non-European descent/ancestry, and 156 related pairs. These comprise 890 samples and 407,712 SNPs in AEGS1, 869 samples and 534,508 SNPs in AEGS2, and 649,954 samples and 534,508 SNPs in AEGS3 remained.

Imputation

Before phasing using SHAPEIT2, data was lifted to genome build b37 using the liftOver tool from UCSC (<https://genome.ucsc.edu/cgi-bin/hgLiftOver>). Finally, data was imputed with 1000G phase 3, version 5 and HRC release 1.1 as a reference using the Michigan Imputation Server (<https://imputationserver.sph.umich.edu/>)¹⁶. These results were further integrated using QCTOOL v2, where HRC imputed variants are given precedence over 1000G phase 3 imputed variants.

Plaque phenotype association

For the association of the 11 independent loci with the plaque vulnerability and plaque morphological characteristics, we queried 1000G phase 3 using FUMA and included 853 variants ± 250 kb from the lead variants, with LD r^2 values (1000G EUR) provided for each variant. Next, we performed regression analyses adjusted for age, sex and principal components, thus: phenotype \sim age + sex + chip-used + PC1 + PC2 + year-of-surgery. Continuous variables were inverse-rank normal transformed. Codes and raw results from these analyses are found here: https://github.com/CirculatoryHealth/CHARGE_1000G_CAC; input genetic and phenotype data are available through.

RNA isolation and (single-cell) RNA sequencing

RNA isolation and library preparation

A total of 700 segments were selected from patients who were included in the study between 2002 and 2016. The RNA isolated from the archived advanced atherosclerotic lesion is fragmented. We have ultimately employed the CEL-seq2 method¹⁷. CEL-seq2 yielded the highest mappability reads to the annotated genes compared to other library preparation protocols. The methodology captures 3'-end of polyadenylated RNA species and includes unique molecular identifiers (UMIs), which allow direct counting of unique RNA molecules in each sample.

Sequencing read mapping and quality filtering

Libraries were sequenced on the Illumina Nextseq500 platform; a high output paired-end run of 2×75 bp was performed (Utrecht Sequencing Facility). The reads were demultiplexed and aligned to human cDNA reference (Ensembl 84) using the BWA (0.7.13). Multiple reads mapping to the same gene with the same unique molecular identifier (UMI, 6bp long) were counted as a single read. The raw read counts were corrected for UMI sampling ($\text{corrected_count} = -4096 * (\ln(1 - (\text{raw_count}/4096)))$), normalized for sequencing depth and quantile normalized (core scripts can be found in <https://github.com/mmokry/bulkCEL-seq2> and https://github.com/mmokry/seurat_meets_bulk_AE). We have detected a median of 19.501 (SD = 5.874) genes per sample with at least one unique read and discarded samples (n=46) with less than 9000 detected genes from further analysis. For all the subsequent analyses, we

have excluded all the ribosomal genes and used only the protein-coding genes with annotated HGNC names.

Single-cell RNA sequencing

Atherosclerotic plaques were collected from 35 individuals and processed for single-cell RNA sequencing as described before¹⁸. In short, time between surgical removal and plaque processing did not exceed 10 minutes; note that the inclusion of a small medial layer in the dissected tissue could not be excluded during the surgical procedure. The remainder of the plaque was washed in RPMI and minced into small pieces with a razor blade. The tissue was then digested in RPMI 1640 containing 2.5 mg/mL Collagenase IV (ThermoFisher Scientific), 0.25 mg/mL DNase I (Sigma), 2.5 mg/mL Human Albumin Fraction V (MP Biomedicals) and 1 mM Flavopiridol (Selleckchem) at 37°C for 30 minutes. Subsequently, the plaque cell suspension was filtered through a 70 µm cell strainer and washed with RPMI 1640. Cells were kept in RPMI 1640 with 1% Fetal Calf Serum until subsequent staining for fluorescence-activated cell sorting. Remaining, unstained cells were cryostored in liquid nitrogen.

We adapted a CELseq2-protocol for single-cell RNA sequencing and processed the data as we described before¹⁸. Analyses were performed using Seurat (version 3.xx). Prior to processing, reads were filtered for mitochondrial and ribosomal genes, *MALAT1*, *KCNQ1OT1*, *UGDH-AS1*, and *EEF1A*. In order to omit doublets and low-quality cells, only cells expressing between 500 and 10,000 genes and genes expressed in at least 3 cells were used for further analysis. Data was log-normalized and scaled with the exclusion of unique molecular identifiers (UMIs). Top variable genes for all samples were used to combine samples into one object using Seurat function `RunMultiCCA()`, after which samples were aligned using `AlignSubspace()` with `reduction.type=CCA` and `grouping.var="plate"`. Subsequently, canonical correlation analysis (CCA) reduction was performed with a resolution of 1.2 for 15 dimensions to identify clusters and to perform t-distributed stochastic neighbor embedding (tSNE). Cell types were assigned to cell clusters by evaluating gene expression of individual cell clusters using differential gene expression (Wilcoxon rank sum test) and analysis with SingleR8 against BLUEPRINT reference data.

Coronary artery single-cell RNA-seq analysis

Human coronary artery scRNA data read count matrix was retrieved from the Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) using GSE131780 and loaded into R 4.1.1, and was preprocessed using standard parameters of the R packages 'Seurat' v.4, and 'Monocle3' as required, read count matrix was read into R and converted to a 'Seurat object' using the `CreateSeuratObject()` function. Then, the object underwent removal of mitochondrial and low-quality reads, followed by normalization and variable feature selection using the `NormalizeData()` and `FindVariableFeature()` functions, respectively. Uniform manifold approximation projections (UMAPs) were then calculated using the `runUMAP()` function using the first 30 dimensions.

Custom scripting was created to export UMAP of the clusters from 'Seurat' into 'Monocle3' before pseudotemporal analysis.

PheWAS. For our PheWAS analysis, we queried the following CAC genes based on their multiple lines of functional evidence and specific association with CAC: *ADK*, *ARID5B*, *IGFBP3*, *ENPP1/ENPP3*, and *FGF23*. Gene names were queried in the GWAS ATLAS resource (<https://atlas.ctglab.nl>)¹⁹ and the UKBiobank TOPMed-imputed PheWeb (<https://pheweb.org/UKB-TOPMed/about>).

Immunofluorescence analysis in coronary arteries. Freshly isolated coronary arteries were obtained from consented heart transplant recipients or heart donors as described^{20,21}. Briefly, hearts were arrested in cardioplegic solution, transferred on ice, and left anterior descending (LAD), left circumflex artery and right coronary arteries were dissected from the epicardium, with surrounding adipose and myocardial tissue carefully removed. Coronary artery segments were grossly scored for presence of lesions and embedded in OCT, snap frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80°C until analysis. OCT blocks were cryosectioned at 8mm. Histological analysis using hematoxylin and eosin (H&E), Oil Red O, and picrosirius red staining was performed on adjacent slides to characterize subclinical (non-calcified lesions) and advanced (calcified lesions) stages of atherosclerosis. Frozen slides were washed with sterile PBS twice for 2min followed by fixation with 4% formaldehyde for 10 min. Slides were then washed with PBS twice for 2min and tissue was permeabilized with triton at 0.05% for 10 min. Coronary artery tissues were blocked with donkey serum at 10% for 1 hour followed by incubation overnight at 4°C with primary antibody as follows: mouse anti-ENPP1 (SC-166649, Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Dallas, TX), rabbit anti-IGFBP3 (#10189-2-AP, Proteintech, Rosemont, IL), rabbit anti-ARID5B (#HPA015037, Atlas Antibodies, Stockholm, SWE), or mouse anti-ADK (SC-514588, Santa Cruz Biotechnology) at 1:100 dilution and mouse anti- α -SMA (SC-53142, Santa Cruz Biotechnology) at 1:100 dilution. Slides were washed with PBS-tween at 0.1% 3 times for 3 min each followed by incubation with appropriate secondary antibodies: Alexa 488 anti-goat (#A11055, ThermoFisher Scientific), Alexa 555 anti-mouse (#A31570), ThermoFisher Scientific), Alexa 647 anti-rabbit (#A31573, ThermoFisher Scientific), Alexa 647 anti-mouse (#A31571, ThermoFisher Scientific), Alexa 555 anti-goat (#A21432, ThermoFisher Scientific), and Alexa 488 anti-mouse (#A21202, ThermoFisher Scientific) all at 1:400 dilution for 1h at room temperature. Slides were then washed with PBS-tween at 0.1%, 4 times for 3 min each and then coverslipped with a diamond mounting medium containing DAPI. Slides were visualized with the Leica TCS SP8 confocal microscopy station and micrographs were digitized with the Leica Application Suite X software.

Quantitative Real-Time PCR. HCASMCs were obtained from Cell Applications (#350-05a). To assess the effects of ENPP1, IGFBP3, ARID5B, and ADK on gene expression, siRNA directed against each of these genes (siENPP1, siIGFBP3, siARID5B, siADK) or control siRNA (siCTRL) was obtained from Horizon Discovery (Waterbeach, UK). Cells were transfected with siRNA

(20nM final concentration) using Lipofectamine RNAiMAX reagent (Life Technologies, Carlsbad, CA), according to the manufacturer protocol. Cells were treated with siRNA for 24h and then grown in osteogenic conditions for 48h. Osteogenic conditions consisted of serum-free smooth muscle cell media (#311-500, Cell Applications) supplemented with 10% FBS, 10mM β -glycerophosphate disodium, 10 nM dexamethasone, and 50 ug/mL L-ascorbic acid, as described previously^{22,23}. Total cellular RNA was extracted using Trizol (ThermoFisher, Waltham, MA). cDNA was obtained via reverse transcription, using MultiScribe Reverse Transcriptase (Applied Biosystems, Foster City, CA). Quantitative PCR was performed using TaqMan Fast Advance Master Mix (Applied Biosystems). TaqMan assays were used for the genes of interest using the following assay IDs: *18S* (Hs99999901_s1), *ADK* (Hs00417073_m1), *ARID5B* (Hs01382781_m1), *CNN1* (Hs00959434_m1), *ENPP1* (Hs01054040_m1), *IGFBP3* (Hs00181211_m1), and *RUNX2* (Hs01047973_m1). Real-time amplification and quantification of transcripts was performed using a QuantStudio 3 (Applied Biosystems, Foster City, CA). The relative C_T method was used to quantify relative expression of target genes; values were normalized to levels of 18S ribosomal RNA.

Immunoblotting. Cells were treated on day 1 and day 6 with siRNA and grown in osteogenic conditions, as described above. After 9 days, cells were homogenized in RIPA buffer containing protease and phosphatase inhibitor (Sigma-Aldrich, Saint Louis, MO). Protein concentration was then determined via BCA; lysates were then diluted in RIPA, sample reducing agent (Invitrogen, Waltham, MA) and LDS buffer (Invitrogen). Samples were run on NuPAGE 4-12% BIS-TRIS gels (Invitrogen) alongside PageRuler Plus prestained protein ladder (Thermo Fisher). Following gel electrophoresis, separated proteins were transferred to PVDF membrane using the iBlot 2 Dry Blotting System (Invitrogen). Membranes were blocked in 5% bovine serum albumin (BSA) in Tris-buffered saline with 0.05% Tween (TBST) for 1 hour and then incubated in primary antibody. Rabbit polyclonal antibodies (1:1000 dilution) directed against RUNX2 (#12556S, Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA) were used to detect RUNX2 protein. Rabbit polyclonal antibodies (1:10000 dilution) directed against glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH, #TA890003, OriGene, Rockville, MD) were used to detect GAPDH protein. Blots were then incubated in goat anti-rabbit secondary antibody (#31460, ThermoFisher) at 1:1000 concentration and imaged using a ChemiDoc Touch imaging system (Bio-Rad Laboratories, Hercules, CA).

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Supplementary tables

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Supplementary Table 19b. Druggability of CAC candidate genes with one line of functional evidence

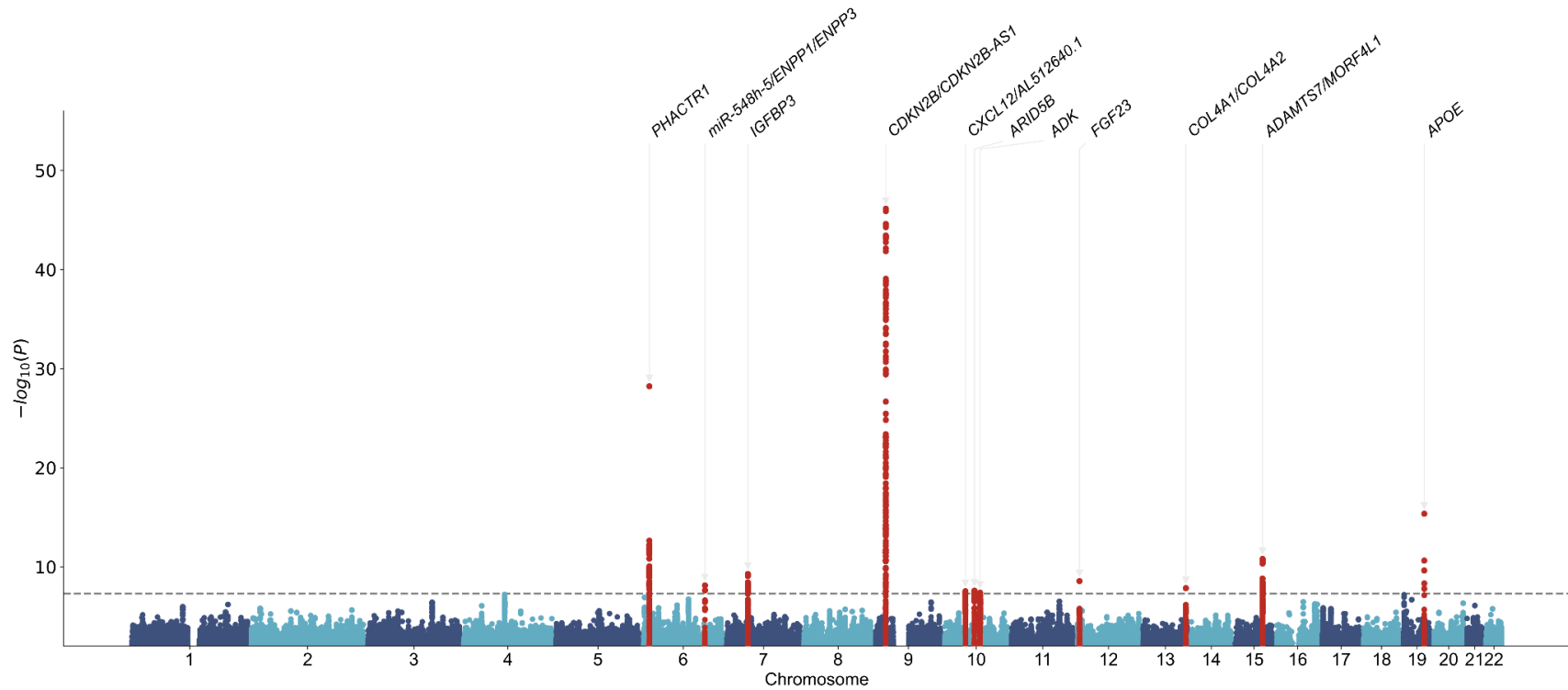
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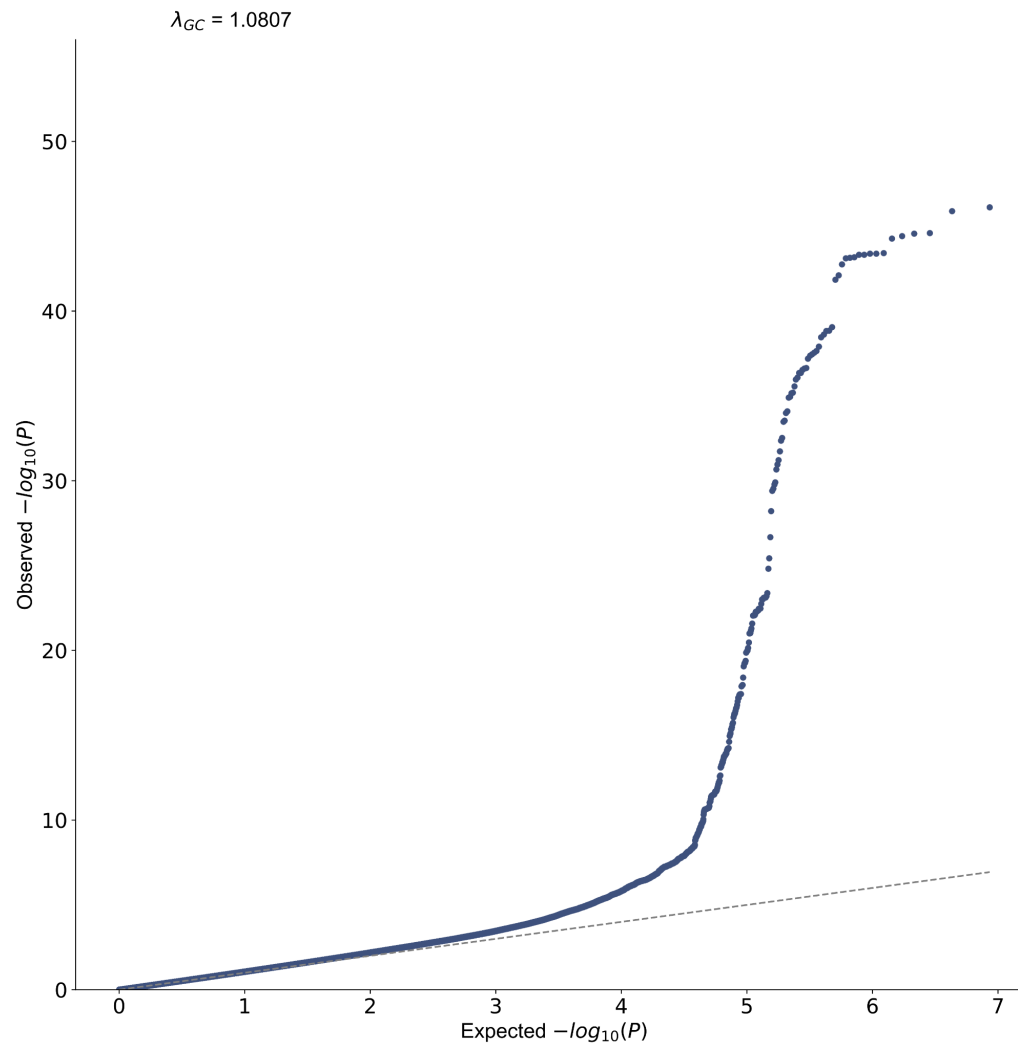
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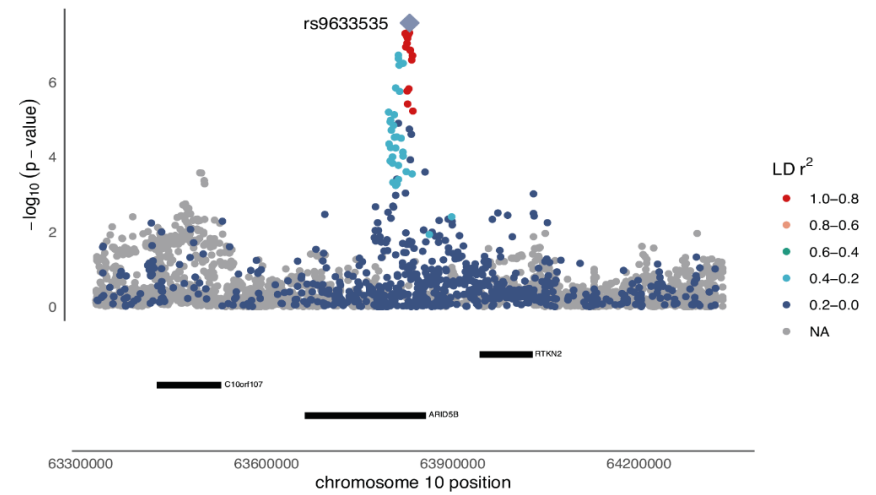
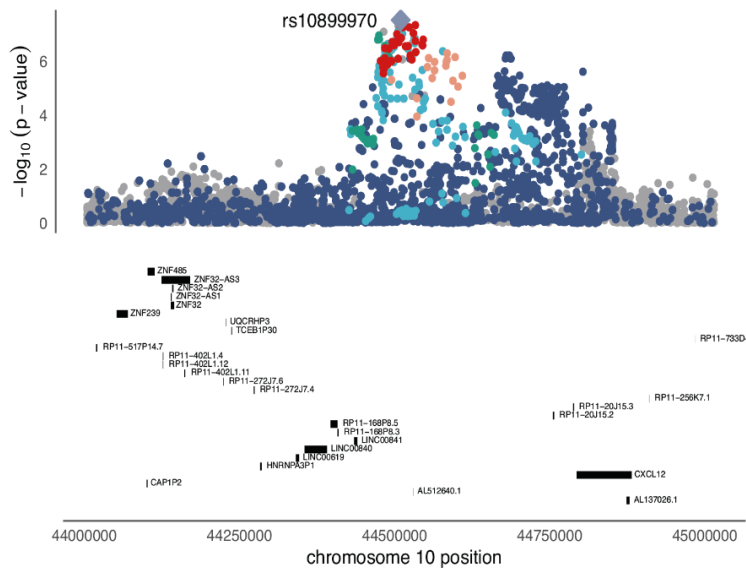
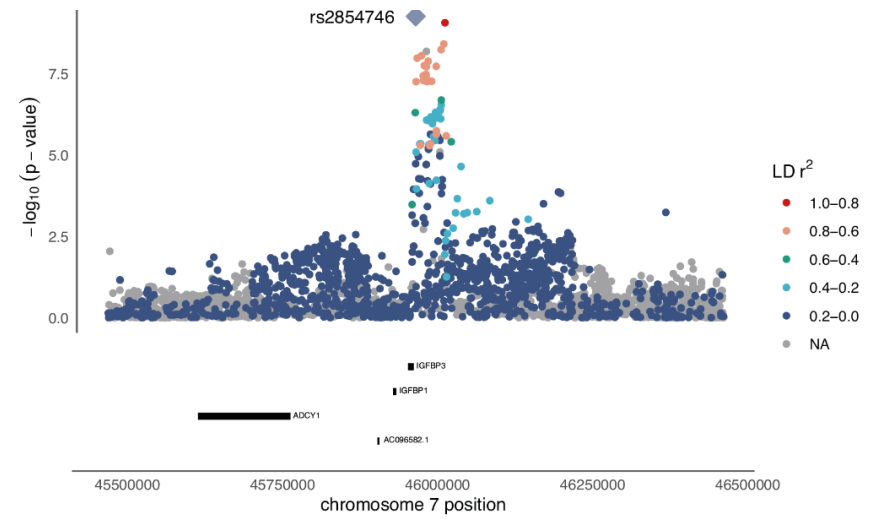
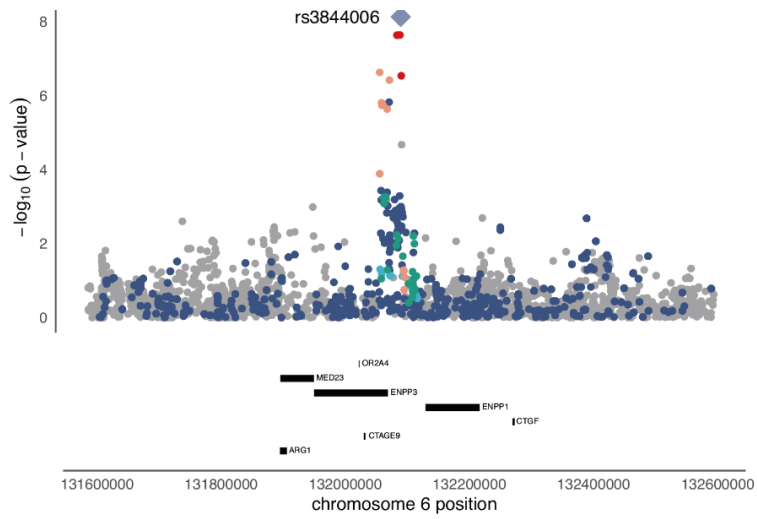
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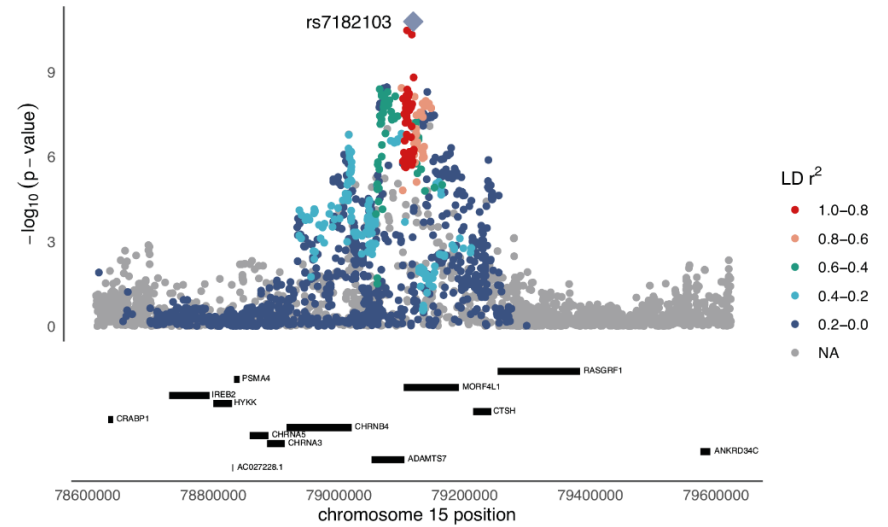
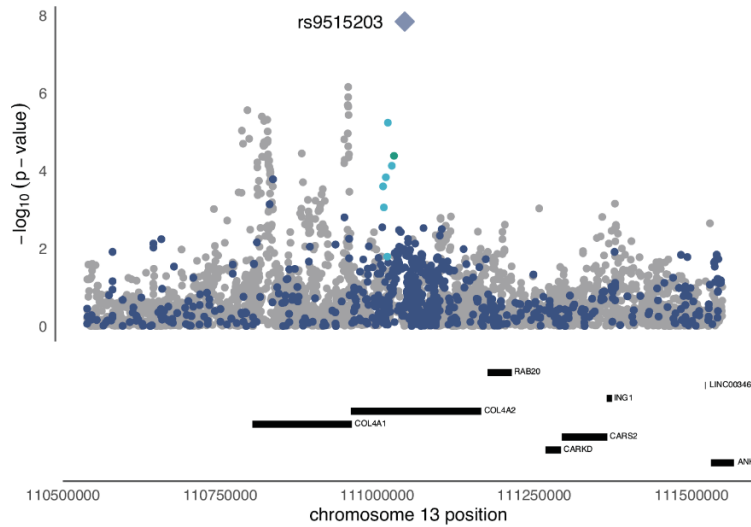
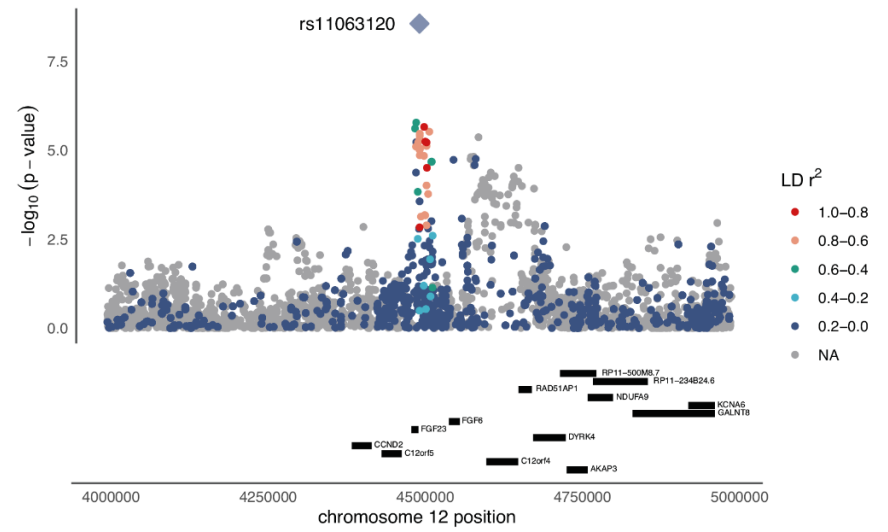
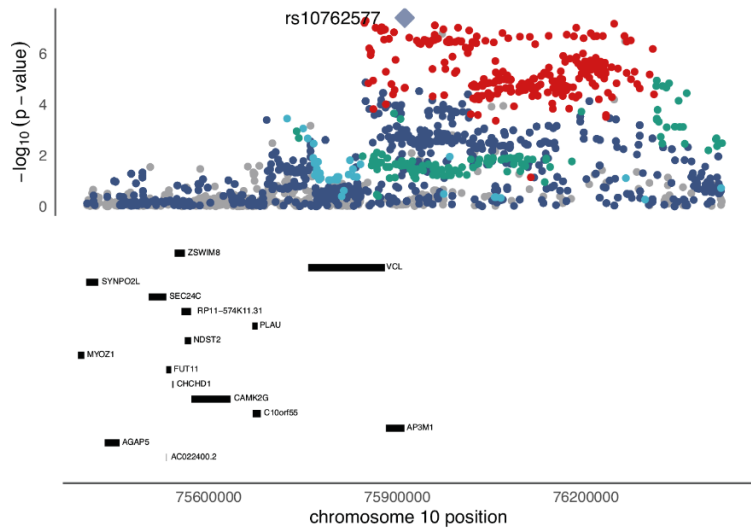


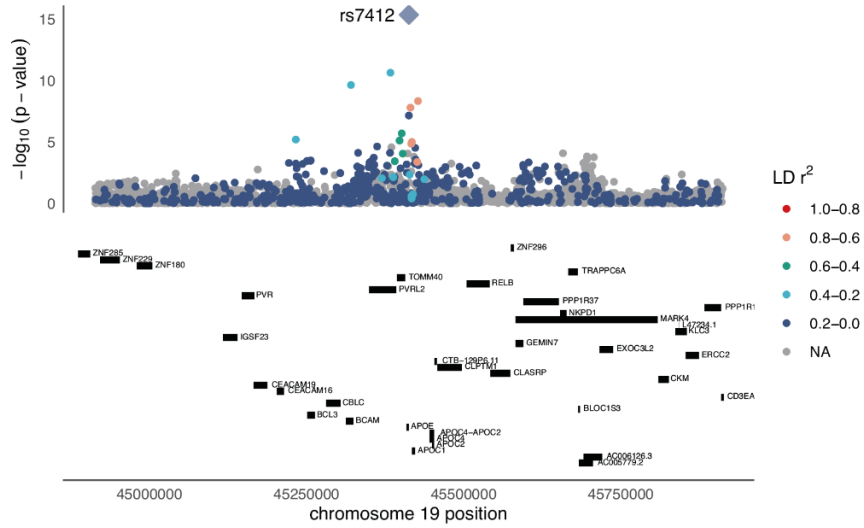
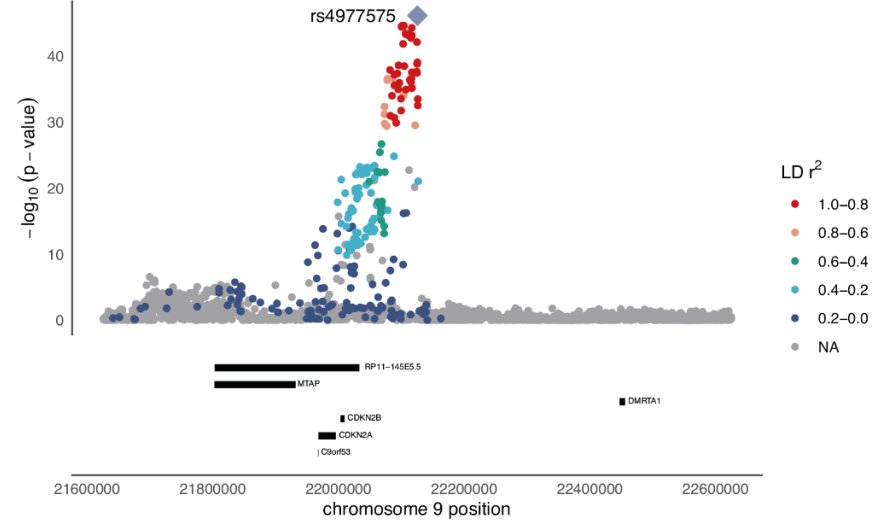
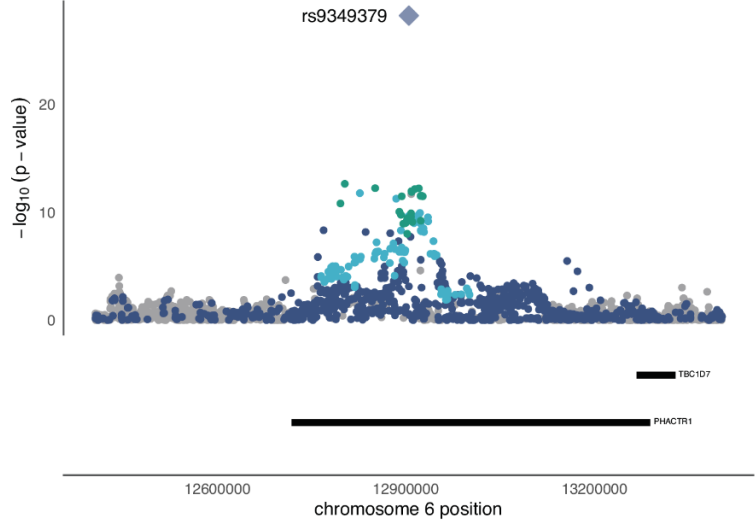
Supplementary Figure 1. GWAS meta-analysis for coronary artery calcification. Manhattan plot displays all associations per variant ordered according to their genomic position on the x-axis and showing the strength of the association with the $-\log_{10}$ transformed p values on the y-axis. The plot shows 11 (including 8 novel and 3 known) genetic loci (all marked red, $\pm 500\text{kb}$ $r^2 > 0.8$ from top variant) associated with CAC at a significance level of $P < 5 \times 10^{-8}$ (dotted line), for the combined-ancestry meta-analysis (up to 35,776 individuals from 22 studies). P values (two-sided) were derived from a meta-analysis using a fixed-effects model with an inverse-variance weighted approach. Annotated genes are those mentioned in **Table 1**.



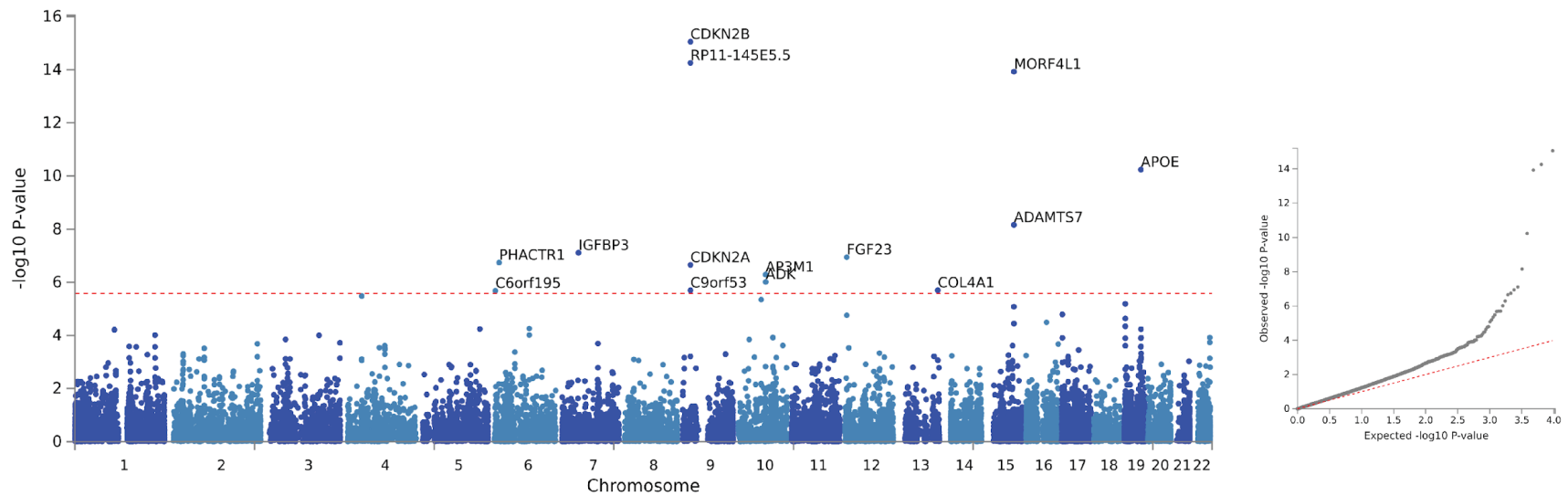
Supplementary Figure 2. Quantile-quantile plot for coronary artery calcification. The genomic inflation factor, $\lambda=1.08$, showed adequate correction for population stratification. Meta-analysis p-values determined from weighted z-scores in fixed effects model and central association p-values determined from chi-square test statistic.



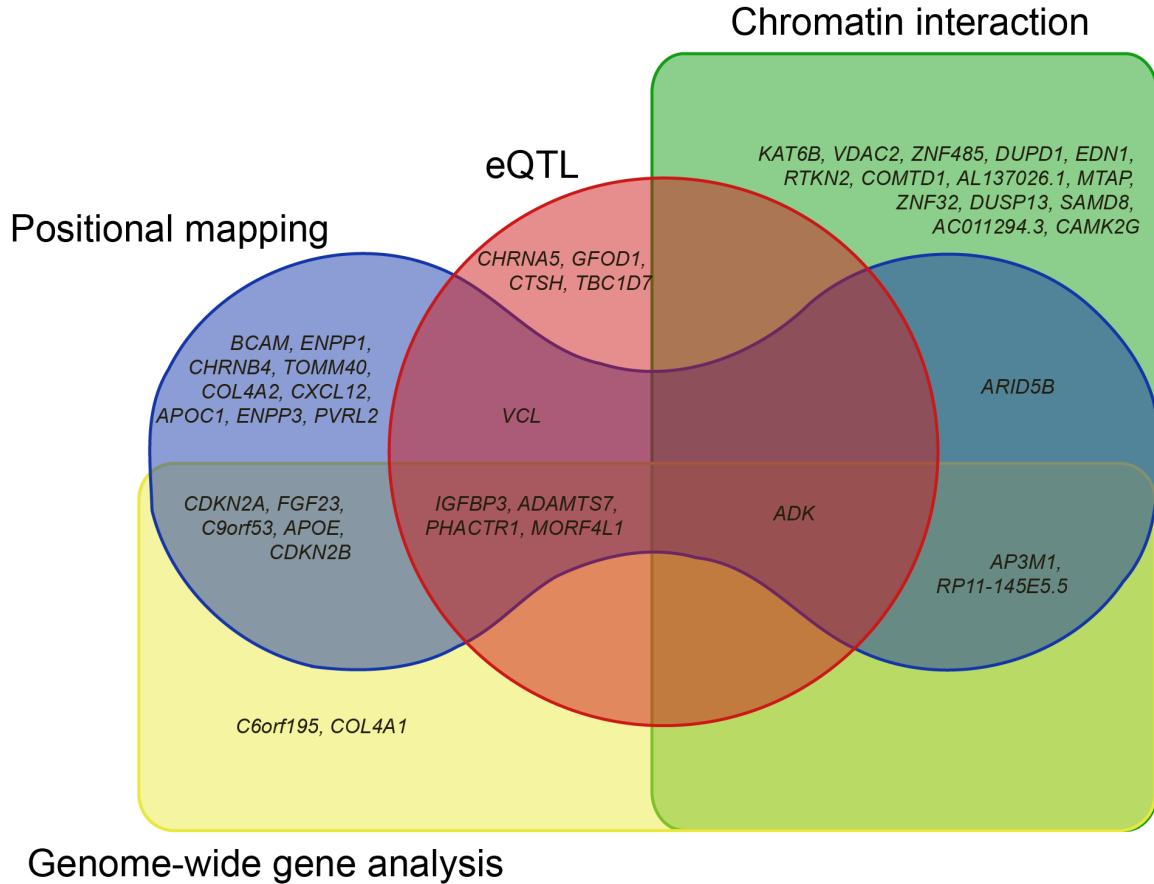




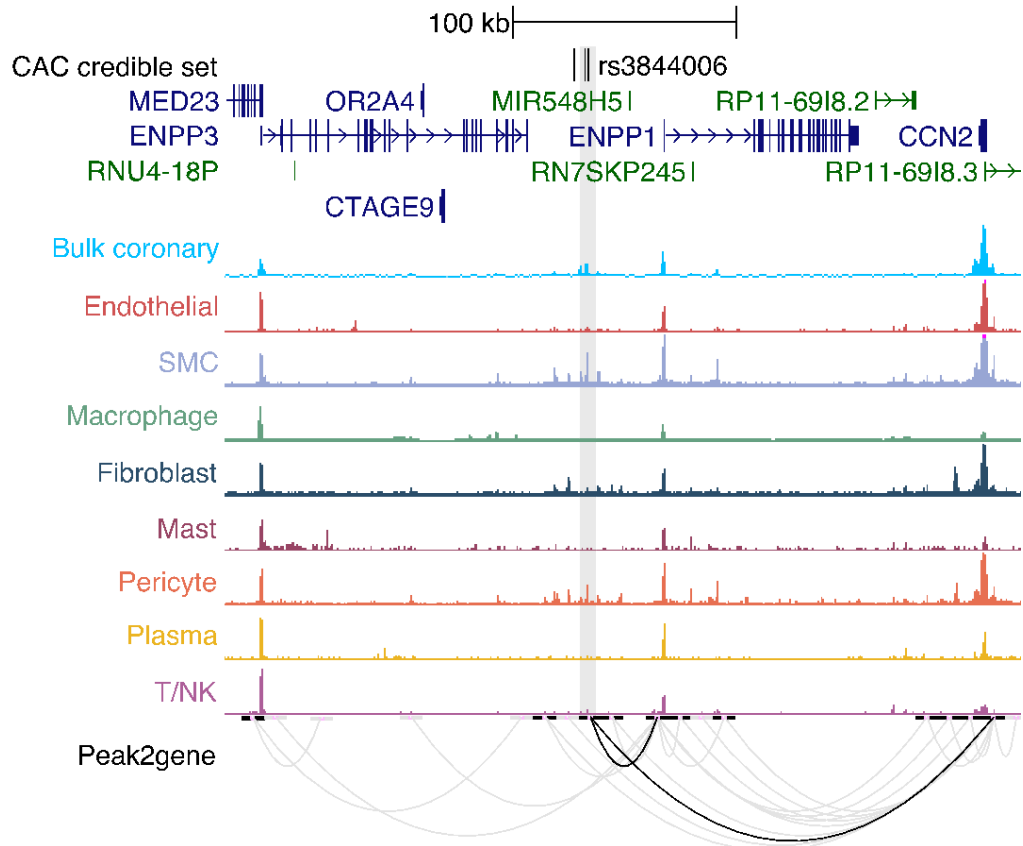
Supplementary Figure 3. Regional association plots of coronary artery calcification for the 11 lead SNPs. Regional association plots showing per variant associations ordered according to their genomic position on the x-axis (top panel) and the protein coding genes (bottom panel, Ensembl GRCh37 Release 105 [Dec 2021]). The y-axis shows the strength of the association as the $-\log_{10}$ transformed meta-analysis p-values. Meta-analysis p-values determined from weighted z-scores in fixed effects model and central association p-values determined from chi-square test statistic. Colors indicate the linkage disequilibrium (LD) correlation coefficient (r^2) of the given variant with the top variant (depicted in purple). Plots are made with RACER (<https://github.com/oliviasabik/RACER>) which uses LDproxy (<https://ldlink.nci.nih.gov/?tab=ldproxy>), this only returns variants with non-zero r^2 -values values. Thus the LD bin labeled '0.2-0' is not actually inclusive of zero, because LDproxy does not return zero values. NA indicates the r^2 could not be calculated. Also, plotting was done using the trans-ancestral results and EUR population of the LD reference (1000G phase 3), which may influence the r^2 calculations for some variants (the 'ALL'-population is not a valid option in the API for LDproxy used by RACER).



Supplementary Figure 4. Genome-wide gene association analysis (GWGA) for coronary artery calcification. Manhattan plot (left) and quantile-quantile plot (right) of coronary artery calcification quantity based on a GWGA using MAGMA²⁴. GWGA provides empirically derived P-values of association with the given trait (CAC) based on all variants located in a gene while considering the underlying linkage disequilibrium structure. MAGMA p-values computed using the T^* test statistic as described²⁴.



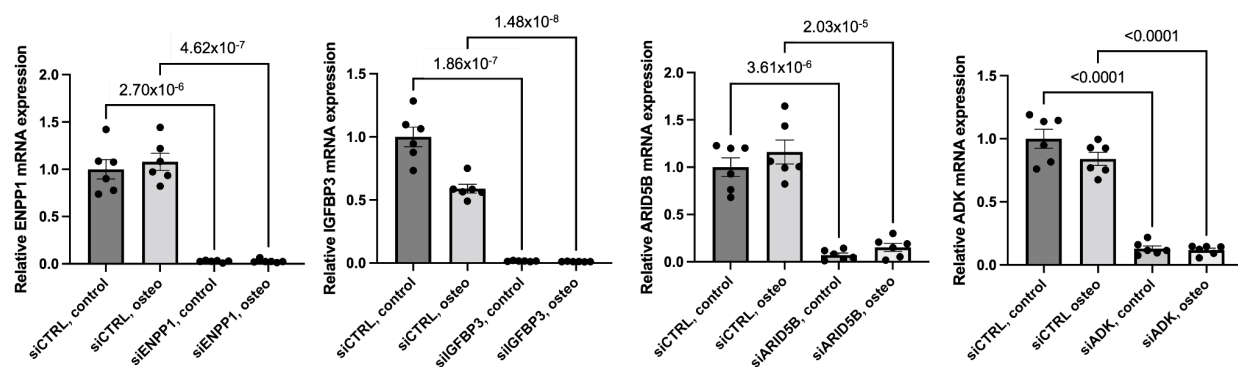
Supplementary Figure 5. Genes implicated in coronary artery calcification. Overview of the prioritized genes based on four FUMA strategies; positional gene mapping, expression quantitative trait loci (eQTL) gene mapping, chromatin interaction⁵, and genome-wide gene association analysis (GWGA) using MAGMA²⁴. Diagram shows the prioritized genes based on three FUMA strategies; positional gene mapping, expression quantitative trait loci (eQTL) gene mapping, chromatin interaction mapping⁵, and genome-wide gene association analysis (GWGA) using MAGMA, as well as adding 3 candidate genes (*ENPP1*, *ENPP3*, and *CXCL12*) by annotating the nearest protein-coding genes as described in the main manuscript and the methods. The locus names labeled within the Venn diagram correspond to those in Tables S5 and S6 and as described in the main manuscript. The circled locus names highlight loci that were implicated by 3 or more FUMA mapping strategies. Created using <https://bioinformatics.psb.ugent.be/webtools/Venn/> and Adobe Illustrator 27.5.



Supplementary Figure 6. UCSC browser tracks for *ENPP1/ENPP3* CAC locus. Browser screenshot shows overlap of CAC credible SNPs (highlighting top credible SNP rs3844006) with accessible chromatin in bulk coronary artery or specific coronary artery cell types from single-nucleus ATAC-seq (snATAC-seq) based profiling. All track heights scaled uniformly for bulk or single-cell datasets. Peak2gene links determined in ArchR from snATAC profiles across all cells, with those overlapping CAC credible SNP rs3844006 highlighted in black. GENCODE protein-coding and non-coding genes annotated in blue and green, respectively.



Supplementary Figure 7. GTEx tissue distribution for CAC candidate genes. Heatmap showing clustering of normalized CAC candidate gene expression across 32 different tissues in GTEx. Reproductive and duplicate tissue types omitted for clarity. TPM: transcripts per million.



Supplementary Figure 9. Efficiency of siRNA-mediated knockdown of *ENPP1*, *IGFBP3*, *ARID5B*, and *ADK*. Relative mRNA expression levels in human coronary VSMCs transfected with siRNA against *ENPP1*, *IGFBP3*, *ARID5B*, or *ADK* and treated in control media and osteogenic media. For all genes, knockdown efficiency was > 85-99%. n=6 independent biological replicates for each experiment. Values represent mean ± standard error of the mean. All statistical comparisons shown were made using a two-tailed student t test.

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