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Software and code

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Data collection

Data analysis https://github.com/intervene-EU-H2020/flagship
Each biobank undertakes its own genotyping, imputation and quality control using a combination of the following tools, with more information provided in the Supplementary Methods Plink 1.9 and 2.0, Ensembl VEP, IMPUTE4, Eagle 2.x, Minimac3 v2.0.1, GenomeStudio, Beagle 5.1, GenoPred, bcftools, vcftools, Shapeit2.
MegaPRS was used to calculate polygenic scores using published GWAS summary statistics.
For data wrangling, visualization and plotting of results, we used R version 3.x.x, specifically packages ggplot, tidyverse, survminer, survival, metafor, tidyverse, data.table.
Slightly different version numbers for software listed were used across biobanks depending on computational environment."/>

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Individual level data in this study are not publicly available due to legal and privacy limitations, but they can be accessed through individual participating biobanks. The FinnGen data may be accessed through Finnish Biobanks' FinBB portal (www.finbb.fi; email: info.fingenious@finbb.fi). The Trøndelag Health Study (HUNT). The HUNT data may be accessed by application to the HUNT Research Centre. Estonian Biobank. Researchers interested in Estonian Biobank can request the access at <https://www.greenivaramu.ee/en/access-biobank>. De-identified data of the MGB Biobank that supports this study is available from the MGB Biobank portal. Restrictions apply to the availability of these data, which are available to MGB-affiliated researchers via a formal application. UK Biobank data are available through a procedure described at <http://www.ukbiobank.ac.uk/using-the-resource/>. Genomics England data is available through an application process described here: <https://www.genomicsengland.co.uk/research/academic/join-gecip>. Generation Scotland data may be accessed through an application process described here: <https://www.ed.ac.uk/generation-scotland/for-researchers/access>

Summary level data are reported in tables and supplementary tables. The GWAS summary statistics used are publicly available and listed here: http://ftp.ebi.ac.uk/pub/databases/gwas/summary_statistics/GCST004001-GCST005000/GCST004988/
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The Global Burden of Disease data used here is available from <https://vizhub.healthdata.org/gbd-results/>

Research involving human participants, their data, or biological material

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Reporting on sex and gender	We performed analyses in each biobank on the full sample and in a sex-stratified manner. We discuss in the methods the heuristic for using sex-specific models for a given phenotype. In most biobanks, sex is identified through genotyping identification of XX or XY chromosomes.
Reporting on race, ethnicity, or other socially relevant groupings	This study uses individuals of European ancestry as determined by genetically estimated ancestry. Each biobank may define this slightly differently, but usually by clustering principal components of genotypes using 1000G reference. For UK Biobank, Ancestry assignment uses methodology and scripts from GenoPred (https://opain.github.io/GenoPred/DiverseAncestry.html). Individuals were stratified into one of five super populations African (AFR), American (AMR), South Asian (SAS), East Asian (EAS) and European (EUR). The 1000 Genomes data acted as a reference given the individuals are known to belong to one of the 5 super populations. More information on each biobank is in the Supplementary Material under Ancestry Assignment.
Population characteristics	This study included participants from different study cohorts, all of European ancestry (typically estimated by principal component analysis from genotyping compared to 1000G European population). The key characteristics of the participants in the cohorts are described in the main text, Supplementary text, Supplementary Tables 5 and 7.
Recruitment	This study included participants from different study cohorts with either population-based, hospital-based, or mixed recruitment designs. For example, FinnGen is a random sample of subjects from Finnish population-based and clinical biobanks. A proportion of FinnGen was ascertained through hospital biobanks and disease-based collections, but the the hazard ratios for PRS categories and disease prevalences were similar between FinnGen and the population-based FINRISK cohort. HUNT is a The periodic population-based health survey design includes three recruitment waves—HUNT1 (1984-1986), HUNT2 (1995-1997), and HUNT3 (2006-2008)—concentrated in the North-Trøndelag area, where all adults > 20 years of age were invited to participate. Participations rates across waves vary but are greater than 50%. UKB is also a population-based study but with lower participation rates, there has been demonstrated healthy participation bias. To address this, we use data from the Global Burden of Disease 2019 Study to estimate baseline hazards per country/state rather than using each study cohort with its potential ascertainment biases.
Ethics oversight	Patients and control subjects in FinnGen provided informed consent for biobank research, based on the Finnish Biobank Act. Alternatively, separate research cohorts, collected prior the Finnish Biobank Act came into effect (in September 2013) and start of FinnGen (August 2017), were collected based on study-specific consents and later transferred to the Finnish biobanks after approval by Fimea (Finnish Medicines Agency), the National Supervisory Authority for Welfare and Health. Recruitment

protocols followed the biobank protocols approved by Fimea. The Coordinating Ethics Committee of the Hospital District of Helsinki and Uusimaa (HUS) statement number for the FinnGen study is Nr HUS/990/2017.

The FinnGen study is approved by Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare (permit numbers: THL/2031/6.02.00/2017, THL/1101/5.05.00/2017, THL/341/6.02.00/2018, THL/2222/6.02.00/2018, THL/283/6.02.00/2019, THL/1721/5.05.00/2019 and THL/1524/5.05.00/2020), Digital and population data service agency (permit numbers: VRK43431/2017-3, VRK/6909/2018-3, VRK/4415/2019-3), the Social Insurance Institution (permit numbers: KELA 58/522/2017, KELA 131/522/2018, KELA 70/522/2019, KELA 98/522/2019, KELA 134/522/2019, KELA 138/522/2019, KELA 2/522/2020, KELA 16/522/2020), Findata permit numbers THL/2364/14.02/2020, THL/4055/14.06.00/2020, THL/3433/14.06.00/2020, THL/4432/14.06/2020, THL/5189/14.06/2020, THL/5894/14.06.00/2020, THL/6619/14.06.00/2020, THL/209/14.06.00/2021, THL/688/14.06.00/2021, THL/1284/14.06.00/2021, THL/1965/14.06.00/2021, THL/5546/14.02.00/2020, THL/2658/14.06.00/2021, THL/4235/14.06.00/2021, Statistics Finland (permit numbers: TK-53-1041-17 and TK/143/07.03.00/2020 (earlier TK-53-90-20) TK/1735/07.03.00/2021, TK/3112/07.03.00/2021) and Finnish Registry for Kidney Diseases permission/extract from the meeting minutes on 4th July 2019.

The Biobank Access Decisions for FinnGen samples and data utilized in FinnGen Data Freeze 10 include: THL Biobank BB2017_55, BB2017_111, BB2018_19, BB_2018_34, BB_2018_67, BB2018_71, BB2019_7, BB2019_8, BB2019_26, BB2020_1, BB2021_65, Finnish Red Cross Blood Service Biobank 7.12.2017, Helsinki Biobank HUS/359/2017, HUS/248/2020, HUS/150/2022 § 12, §13, §14, §15, §16, §17, §18, and §23, Auria Biobank AB17-5154 and amendment #1 (August 17 2020) and amendments BB_2021-0140, BB_2021-0156 (August 26 2021, Feb 2 2022), BB_2021-0169, BB_2021-0179, BB_2021-0161, AB20-5926 and amendment #1 (April 23 2020) and its modification (Sep 22 2021), Biobank Borealis of Northern Finland_2017_1013, 2021_5010, 2021_5018, 2021_5015, 2021_5023, 2021_5017, 2022_6001, Biobank of Eastern Finland 1186/2018 and amendment 22 § /2020, 53§/2021, 13§/2022, 14§/2022, 15§/2022, Finnish Clinical Biobank Tampere MH0004 and amendments (21.02.2020 & 06.10.2020), §8/2021, §9/2022, §10/2022, §12/2022, §20/2022, §21/2022, §22/2022, §23/2022, Central Finland Biobank 1-2017, and Terveystalo Biobank STB 2018001 and amendment 25th Aug 2020, Finnish Hematological Registry and Clinical Biobank decision 18th June 2021, Arctic biobank P0844: ARC_2021_1001.

Ethics approval for the UK Biobank study was obtained from the North West Centre for Research Ethics Committee (11/NW/0382). UK Biobank data used in this study were obtained under approved application 78537.

The genotyping in Trøndelag Health Study and work presented in here was approved by the Regional Committee for Ethics in Medical Research, Central Norway (2014/144, 2018/1622, 2018/411492). All participants signed informed consent for participation and the use of data in research.

Ethical approval for the GS:SFHS study was obtained from the Tayside Committee on Medical Research Ethics (on behalf of the National Health Service)

The activities of the EstBB are regulated by the Human Genes Research Act, which was adopted in 2000 specifically for the operations of the EstBB. Individual level data analysis in the EstBB was carried out under ethical approval 1.1-12/624 from the Estonian Committee on Bioethics and Human Research (Estonian Ministry of Social Affairs), using data according to release application S22, document number 6-7/GI/16259 from the Estonian Biobank.

The informed consent process for the Genomics England 100,000 Genomes Project has been approved by the National Research Ethics Service Research Ethics Committee for East of England—Cambridge South Research Ethics Committee.

The analysis using Mass General Brigham Biobank is approved under IRB protocol 2022P001736.

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Sample size

Sample size per disease per biobank is in Supplementary Data 1. The study makes use of 7 studies in 4 countries (N=1,197,129). No power calculation was done because we used all genotyped samples with paired phenotype data in the biobanks participating in the consortia. Because the standardized PGS was significantly associated with each outcome in each biobank, we believe our results are well powered for stratification across age, sex, and PGS strata. The sample size for GWAS used for the polygenic risk scores are described in Supplementary Data 10 and statistically well powered.

Data exclusions

Exclusion of samples and variants was based on standard guidelines and quality control procedures and were pre-established by each biobank as described in Supplementary Methods. Briefly, each biobank performed genetic ancestry assignment to stratify individuals into geographic super populations and individuals not falling into the European population were excluded. Genotyped samples without paired phenotype information were excluded. Samples with poor genotyping quality were excluded with slightly different criteria within each biobank. For FinnGen, samples were removed if ● Pihat was > 0.9 and the samples were not monozygotic or replicates

- There was a discrepancy between reported sex and genetically determined sex (F-value ≤ 0.3 for females and ≥ 0.8 for males)
- Missingness was $\geq 5\%$
- Heterozygosity was ± 4 standard deviations from the population average
- Pihat was > 0.1 with 14 or more samples
- Samples were ± 4 standard deviations away from the population average according to the first two genetic principal components.

Replication	For country specific cumulative incidences per a given disease, we made use of all the biobank data currently available. Replication of these cumulative incidences can be done in additional biobanks or biobank recruitment waves in the future.
Randomization	The study does not include allocation of participants to different experimental groups.
Blinding	No blinding was applied in this observational study.

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