

Supplementary

Supplementary Table 1: Results of association of medication use on XCI-skewing

The beta columns refer to the effect size of those with/without the drug compared to controls. “P value models” refers to the fit of the model with medication use as a categorical variable compared to the model with SLE as a binary variable. “P value SLE” refers to the P value of the effect of the medication within the SLE cohort only.

Measure	Beta +ve	Beta -ve	P value models	P value SLE
Hydroxychloroquine	-0.040	-0.045	0.81	0.97
Methotrexate	-0.014	-0.049	0.16	0.10
Azathioprine or mycophenolate	-0.028	-0.048	0.33	0.36
Biologics	-0.035	-0.044	0.80	0.82

Supplementary Table 2: Immune cell differences between SLE cases and healthy controls

P-values refer to the effect of SLE status on the cell count/measure as taken from a linear regression model controlling for age as a covariate.

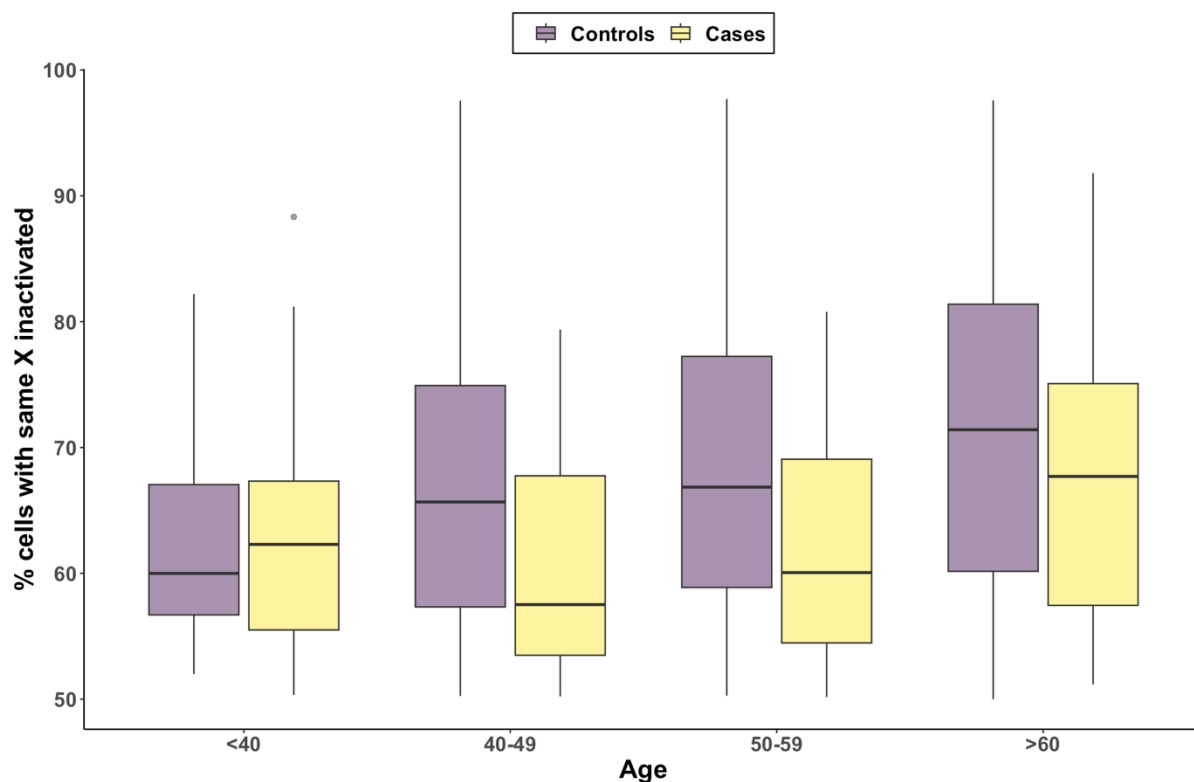
Measure	Controls (mean)	SLE Cases (mean)	P value
White Blood Cells	5.84	6.32	0.010
Neutrophils	3.51	4.24	0.0027
Monocytes	0.41	0.54	5.43e-10
Lymphocytes	1.74	1.39	6.31e-05
Lymphocyte Proportion	0.30	0.23	3.03e-09
Monocyte-to-Lymphocyte Ratio	0.25	0.52	2.73e-25
Neutrophil-to-Lymphocyte Ratio	2.17	4.15	9.78e-12

Supplementary Table 3: Results of association of SLE status on XCI-skewing following removal of effects of immune cell counts.

Measure	Beta	P value
White Blood Cells	-0.049	0.013
Neutrophils	-0.048	0.013
Monocytes	-0.051	0.0092
Lymphocytes	-0.043	0.028
Lymphocyte Proportion	-0.047	0.015
Monocyte-to-Lymphocyte Ratio	-0.044	0.025
Neutrophil-to-Lymphocyte Ratio	-0.044	0.025

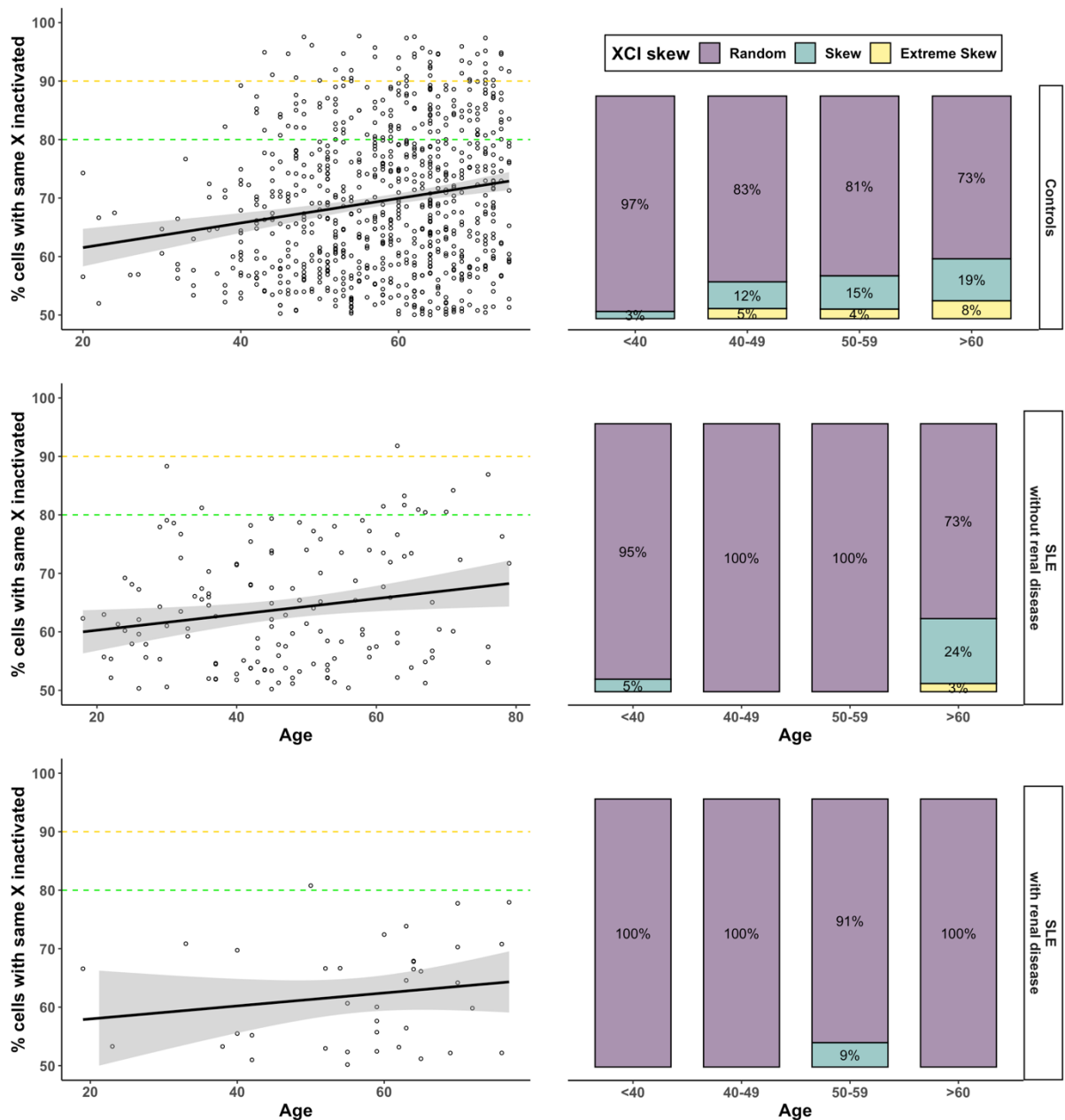
Supplementary Figure 1: XCI-skewing is reduced in SLE cases across age groups.

Box plots representing the association of SLE on XCI skewing. All boxplots display the median and IQR, and XCI-skewing on the y-axis, and age category on the x axis.



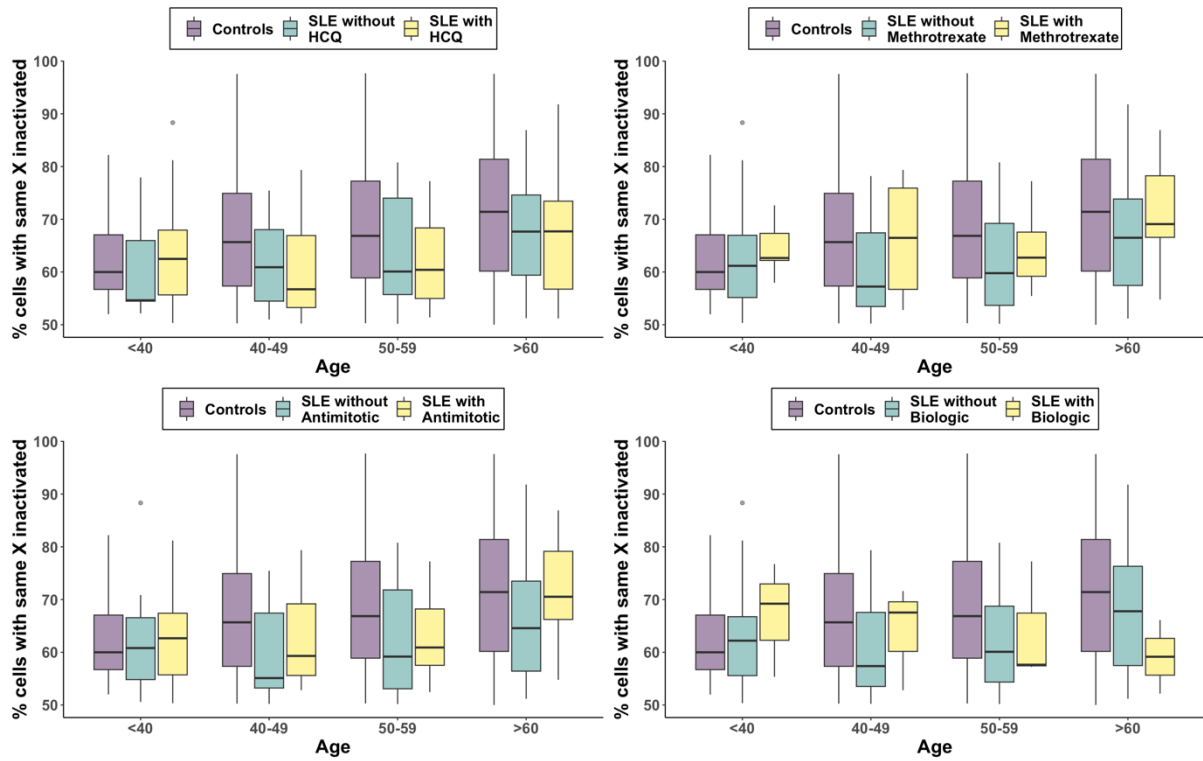
Supplementary Figure 2: XCI-skewing in SLE cases with and without renal disease compared to controls.

The correlation between XCI (y-axis) and age (x-axis) is shown in panels on the left and the proportions of individuals (y-axis) with random (50-79%), skewed (80-89%), and extremely skewed (>90%) XCI across increasing age groups (x-axis) are shown in panels on the right. Controls (n=796) are in the upper panels, SLE cases without a history of renal disease (n=144) are in the middle panel, and SLE cases with a history of renal disease (n=37) are in the lower panels.



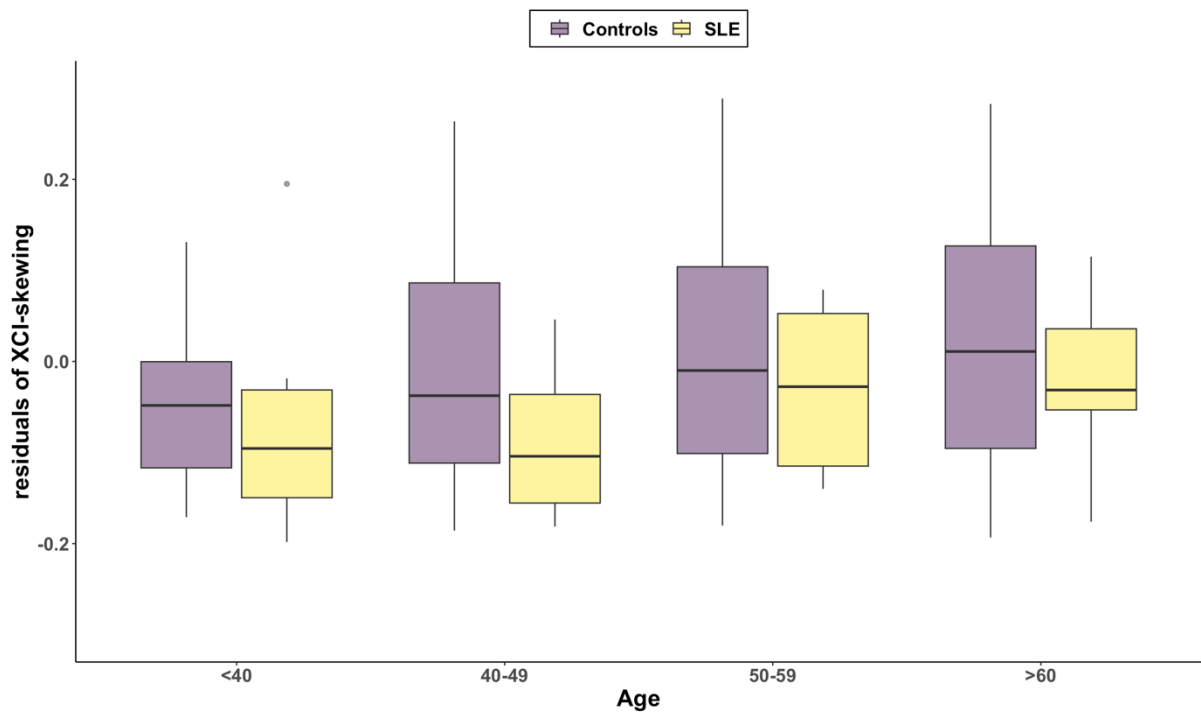
Supplementary Figure 3: The effect of medication on XCI skewing.

Box plots representing the effect of medication use on XCI skewing. All boxplots display the median and IQR, and XCI-skewing on the y-axis, and age category on the x axis.

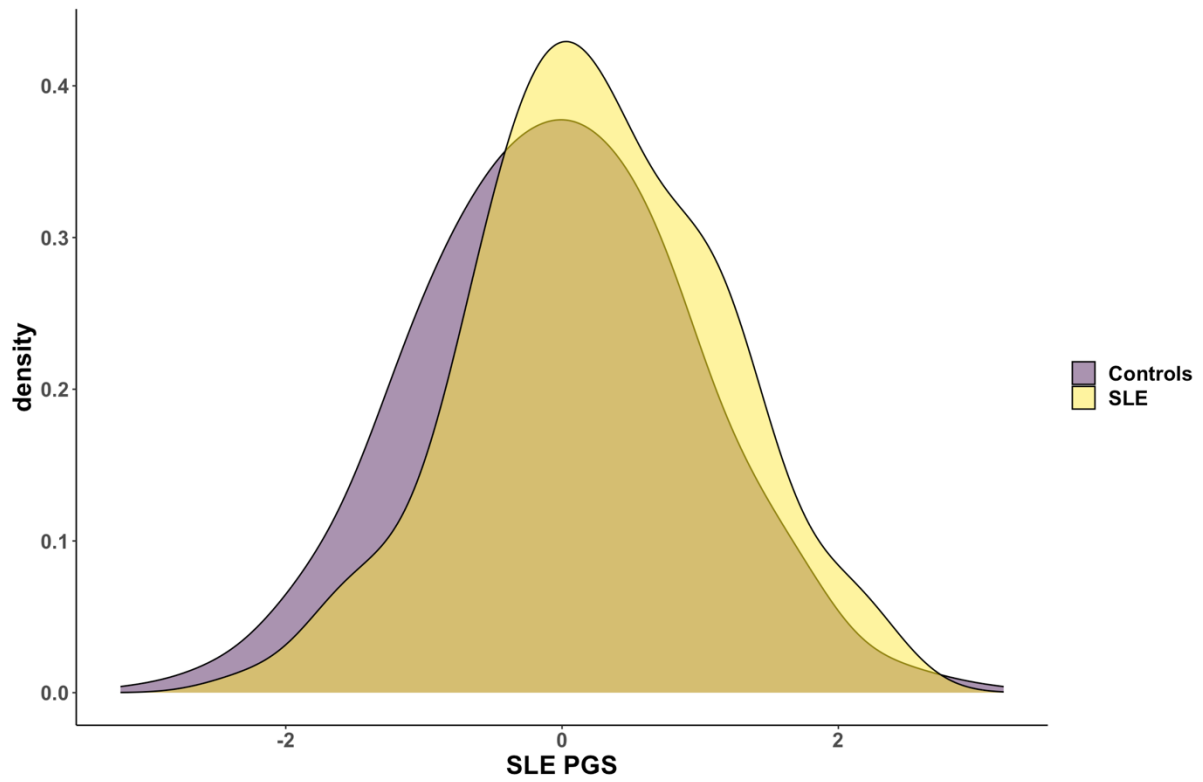


Supplementary Figure 4: XCI-skewing is reduced in SLE cases across age groups after regressing out effects of Monocyte counts.

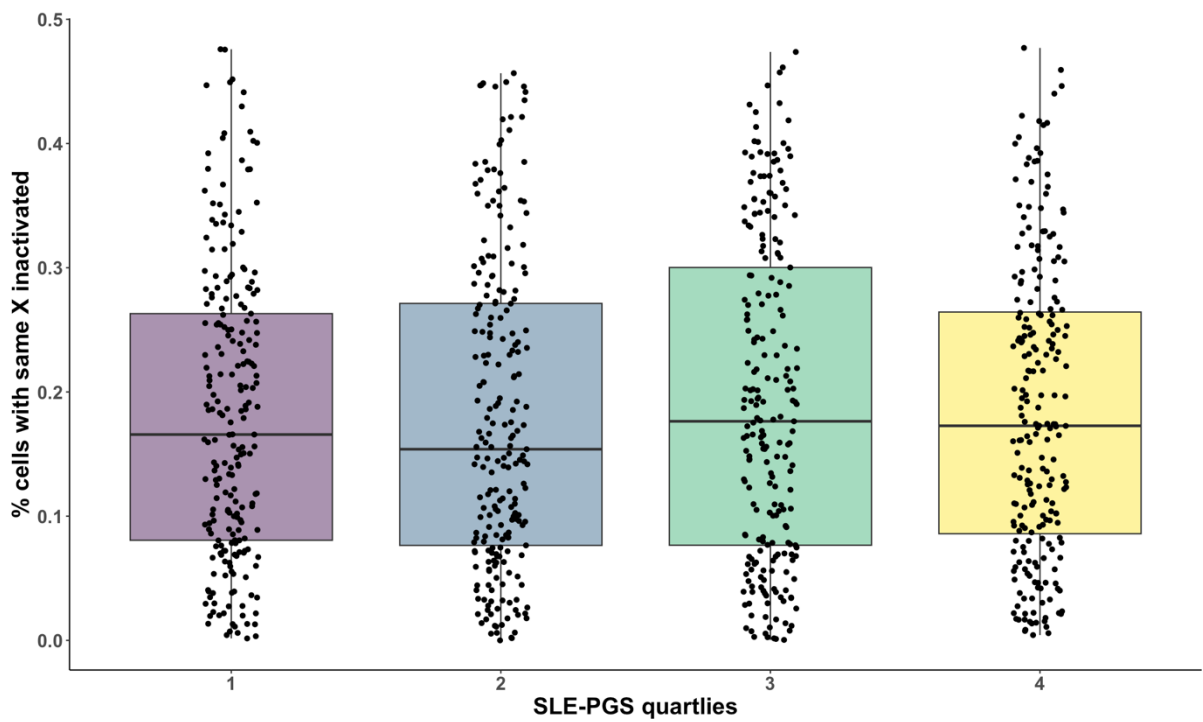
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Supplementary Figure 5: Polygenic Risk Score for SLE is associated with SLE status



Supplementary Figure 6: No association of SLE Polygenic Risk Score and XCI-skewing



Supplementary Figure 7: A non-linear relationship between age and sSIGLEC-1

