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# **Supplemental Information**

# Large Sample Size, Wide Variant Spectrum, and Advanced Machine-Learning Technique

## **Boost Risk Prediction for Inflammatory Bowel Disease**

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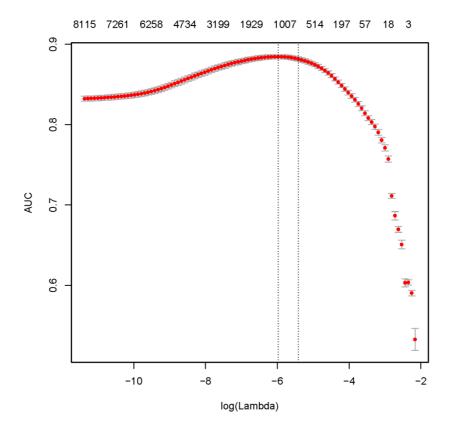


Figure S1. 10-Fold Cross Validation for non-Pittsburgh CD Data

The numbers on the top of the plot are the corresponding numbers of SNPs survived under different values of lambda shown along the x-axis. We selected lambda using 10-fold cross validation. Specifically, we calculated the average AUC for different values of lambda and took the largest value yielding the most parsimonious model such that AUC is within 1 standard error of the optimum (the two vertical dashed lines). The optimal 10-fold cross-validated AUC was 0.884.

Batch effect check: The CD and UC datasets are the result of combining smaller datasets from 11 genotyping centers (Table S3). There is a potential for confounding by batch effects, especially differences between genotyping centers, thereby increasing apparent predictive value beyond what the purely genetic signal provides. Following one reviewer's suggestion, we conducted one simple "sanity check" by keeping one complete case/control dataset (U of Pittsbugh) for testing, where the cases are matched to the controls for genotyping center and ethnicity/nationality, and training the model on the rest of the data. We excluded the entire CD dataset genotyped by the U of Pittsburgh genotyping center from the training data. Similarly we split the non-Pittsburgh data into two equal-sized folds: one for pre-selection and the other for 10 fold cross-validation. We obtained 10-fold cross-validated AUC of 0.884 over the training data (Figure S1). When testing on the excluded U of Pittsburgh data, we obtained AUC of 0.885 with 95% CI [0.8673, 0.9036], suggesting no batch confounding effects in our experiment.

**Table S1. Performance using Further Increased Sample Sizes** 

	CD			UC				
Sample Proportion	#Samples	AUC	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI	#Samples	AUC	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI
1	13,274	0.864	0.8573	0.8692	11,967	0.826	0.8164	0.8315
1.2	15,929	0.863	0.8489	0.8761	14,360	0.826	0.8098	0.8416
1.4	18,582	0.865	0.8508	0.8779	16,752	0.827	0.8108	0.8424
1.6	21,237	0.866	0.8519	0.8784	19,145	0.829	0.8119	0.8441
1.8	23,891	0.866	0.8522	0.8785	21,538	0.829	0.8120	0.8438

**Sample size contribution**: Sample size makes a critical contribution in improving prediction performance, as we have shown. It is tempting to investigate whether higher AUC might be achieved by using larger sample sizes for the training data. Therefore we performed additional experiments by further adding samples from the testing fold to the training fold. Specifically, we further randomly divided the fold 3 testing data into 5 folds. Then we held one fold for testing and added k of the rest 4 fold data to the training data, with k increasing from 1 to 4. As a result, we effectively obtained training sample proportion of 1.2, 1.4, 1.6, and 1.8. The AUC results are shown in Table S1, from which we observe very comparable plateaued AUC without significant changes for both CD and UC.

Table S2. Comparison with Two Other Non-additive Models

		CD			UC	
Method	AUC	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI	AUC	Lower 95% CI	Upper 95% CI
LR	0.864	0.8573	0.8692	0.826	0.8164	0.8315
SVM	0.862	0.8560	0.8672	0.826	0.8184	0.8331
GBT	0.802	0.7943	0.8094	0.782	0.7739	0.7909

Comparison with non-additive models: What we employ for prediction is a linear additive model. It is interesting to investigate the performance using other advanced methods, particularly those non-additive models allowing for modeling interactions. Therefore we did some preliminary exploration by conducting a cursory analysis and comparing AUC from our linear additive models with two other non-additive models, Support Vector Machines (SVM) with RBF kernels and gradient boosted trees (GBT). We used the R packages e1071 and gbm for running SVM and GBT, respectively. SVM was run using RBF kernel with default parameters. GBT yielded very inferior performance when using default parameters (data not shown), so we manually set the parameter n.trees=5000 (default 100) and interaction.depth=2 (default 1). The AUC results are shown in Table S2.

Table S3. The Individual Data Sets Genotyped at Different Centers that Went into the Combined Data Sets, and Their Sample Sizes

Genotyping	CD	UC
center	dataset	dataset
Bonn	1495	1495
Cedars Sinai	1327	871
Feinstein Institute	6905	6281
Kiel	8144	6216
Leuven	2157	1504
Munich	978	978
U of Pittsburgh	2007	3344
U de Liege	1781	1257
UMC Groningen	2493	1610
UVA	4188	4188
Sanger Institute	8346	8156
Total	39821	35900

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