

## Supplemental Data

Supplemental Table 1. Anthropometric and biochemical data among all adolescents with different *GAS6* rs8191973 genotypes

	Genotypes			GLM test <sup>a</sup>		
	GG	GC	CC	p1	p2	p3
<b>Boys</b>						
Numbers (%)	277 (77.4)	72 (20.1)	9 (2.5)			
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	22.4 ± 4.0	21.7 ± 4.0	24.2 ± 2.8	0.165	0.483	0.318
WC (cm)	80.1 ± 10.5	79.2 ± 10.4	84.7 ± 8.6	0.325	0.858	0.221
hsCRP (mg/L)	0.8 ± 1.3	1.0 ± 1.3	1.0 ± 1.7	0.468	0.218	0.495
TNF-α (pg/mL)	26.8 ± 2.9	23.5 ± 4.1	25.3 ± 6.2	0.580	0.317	0.448
IL-6 (pg/mL)	3.2 ± 2.1	3.5 ± 3.1	3.9 ± 3.0	0.863	0.648	0.894
Glucose (mg/dL)	94.1 ± 6.4	92.7 ± 5.8	93.7 ± 4.1	0.218	0.091	0.395
Insulin (μU/mL)	15.4 ± 8.8	13.8 ± 8.3	17.1 ± 6.3	0.298	0.250	0.511
HOMA-IR	3.6 ± 2.2	3.2 ± 2.1	4.0 ± 1.6	0.253	0.197	0.438
Gas6 (ng/mL)	12.1 ± 3.3	14.1 ± 3.7	12.9 ± 3.7	0.524	0.310	0.785
<b>Girls</b>						
Numbers (%)	277 (75.1)	85 (23.0)	7 (1.9)			
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	21.1 ± 3.2	21.6 ± 3.7	21.1 ± 2.0	0.208	0.098	0.843
WC (cm)	75.2 ± 7.8	76.5 ± 9.2	78.6 ± 6.8	0.262	0.122	0.899
hsCRP (mg/L)	0.6 ± 0.9	0.6 ± 0.7	0.3 ± 0.2	0.817	0.706	0.689
TNF-α (pg/mL)	22.7 ± 4.7	27.3 ± 5.4	25.1 ± 7.5	0.401	0.183	0.917
IL-6 (pg/mL)	3.3 ± 3.1	3.0 ± 1.4	2.8 ± 1.1	0.964	0.790	0.913
Glucose (mg/dL)	91.7 ± 6.4	91.1 ± 7.3	88.3 ± 3.5	0.401	0.328	0.250
Insulin (μU/mL)	14.1 ± 7.5	15.7 ± 8.0	15.9 ± 5.1	0.317	0.129	0.671
HOMA-IR	3.2 ± 1.8	3.6 ± 1.9	3.4 ± 1.0	0.466	0.217	0.828

Gas6 (ng/mL)	12.6 ± 3.9	12.2 ± 3.1	11.8 ± 3.1	0.446	0.289	0.684
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Abbreviations: GLM, general linear model; BMI, body mass index; WC, waist circumference; HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; hsCRP, high-sensitivity C-reactive protein; TNF- $\alpha$ , tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$ ; IL-6, interleukin-6.

<sup>a</sup>p1: GG vs. GC vs. CC; p2: GG vs. (GC+CC), p3: (GG+GC) vs. CC, after adjusting for age, Tanner stage, cigarette smoking, alcohol drinking, and physical activity.

Supplemental Table 2. Anthropometric and biochemical data among all adolescents with different GAS6 rs8191974 genotypes

	Genotype			GLM test <sup>a</sup>		
	GG	GA	AA	p1	p2	p3
<b>Boys</b>						
Numbers (%)	213 (59.5)	132 (36.9)	13 (3.6)			
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	22.5 ± 4.2	22.0 ± 3.6	20.7 ± 3.3	0.131	<b>0.035</b>	0.776
WC (cm)	80.6 ± 11.0	79.3 ± 9.5	76.7 ± 9.4	0.150	<b>0.037</b>	0.950
hsCRP (mg/L)	0.8 ± 1.2	1.1 ± 1.6	0.4 ± 0.2	<b>0.033</b>	<b>0.042</b>	0.473
TNF- $\alpha$ (pg/mL)	26.7 ± 8.2	25.5 ± 10.1	23.8 ± 4.6	0.951	0.919	0.789
IL-6 (pg/mL)	3.4 ± 2.8	3.3 ± 3.2	2.5 ± 1.3	0.635	0.352	0.663
Glucose (mg/dL)	94.0 ± 6.3	93.4 ± 6.4	95.3 ± 3.6	0.625	0.928	0.361
Insulin ( $\mu$ U/mL)	14.9 ± 8.7	15.3 ± 9.0	15.0 ± 8.2	0.187	0.868	0.070
HOMA-IR	3.5 ± 2.2	3.6 ± 2.2	3.5 ± 2.0	0.169	0.915	0.064
Gas6 (ng/mL)	13.1 ± 3.7	13.2 ± 3.7	13.0 ± 3.1	0.183	0.361	0.075

Girls

Numbers (%)	242 (65.6)	109 (29.5)	18 (4.9)			
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	21.2 ± 3.3	21.3 ± 3.4	20.3 ± 2.3	0.759	0.585	0.520
WC (cm)	75.8 ± 8.1	75.2 ± 8.2	74.6 ± 8.3	0.590	0.335	0.954
hsCRP (mg/L)	0.6 ± 1.0	0.5 ± 0.5	0.9 ± 1.3	0.241	0.631	0.161
TNF- $\alpha$ (pg/mL)	24.5 ± 9.3	22.9 ± 6.5	27.9 ± 4.3	0.857	0.590	0.769
IL-6 (pg/mL)	3.2 ± 2.8	3.1 ± 3.0	2.9 ± 0.7	0.364	0.156	0.606
Glucose (mg/dL)	91.8 ± 6.7	90.6 ± 6.3	92.1 ± 5.7	0.820	0.643	0.786
Insulin ( $\mu$ U/mL)	15.0 ± 8.1	13.9 ± 6.6	11.7 ± 4.2	0.088	0.078	0.137
HOMA-IR	3.4 ± 2.0	3.1 ± 1.5	2.7 ± 1.1	0.098	0.081	0.157
Gas6 (ng/mL)	11.8 ± 3.1	12.1 ± 3.0	1.7 ± 2.2	0.333	0.355	0.406

Abbreviations: GLM, general linear model; BMI, body mass index; WC, waist circumference; HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; hsCRP, high-sensitivity C-reactive protein; TNF- $\alpha$ , tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$ ; IL-6, interleukin-6.

*Bold* indicates significant comparisons ( $P < 0.05$ ).

<sup>a</sup>p1: GG vs. GA vs. AA; p2: GG vs. (GA+AA), p3: (GG+GA) vs. AA, after adjusting for age, Tanner stage, cigarette smoking, alcohol drinking, and physical activity.

	Genotype			GLM test <sup>a</sup>		
	TT	TC	CC	p1	p2	p3
<b>Boys</b>						
Numbers (%)	123 (34.4)	170 (47.5)	65 (18.1)			
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	22.0 ± 3.7	22.6 ± 3.8	21.9 ± 4.7	0.467	0.409	0.255
WC (cm)	79.4 ± 10.3	80.8 ± 10.0	79.0 ± 11.9	0.496	0.473	0.260
hsCRP (mg/L)	0.8 ± 1.2	1.0 ± 1.4	0.8 ± 1.3	<b>0.036</b>	0.077	0.242
TNF-α (pg/mL)	24.8 ± 5.5	26.2 ± 6.5	28.2 ± 10.1	0.587	0.474	0.348
IL-6 (pg/mL)	3.0 ± 2.8	3.4 ± 2.7	3.7 ± 3.5	0.679	0.847	0.381
Glucose (mg/dL)	93.4 ± 6.1	94.3 ± 6.0	93.4 ± 7.1	0.616	0.546	0.591
Insulin (μU/mL)	14.8 ± 8.1	15.6 ± 9.7	14.5 ± 7.9	0.393	0.234	0.304
HOMA-IR	3.4 ± 2.0	3.7 ± 2.3	3.4 ± 2.0	0.388	0.221	0.317
<b>Girls</b>						
Numbers (%)	108 (29.3)	181 (49.1)	80 (21.6)			
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	21.4 ± 3.6	21.1 ± 3.2	21.2 ± 3.0	0.621	0.815	0.330
WC (cm)	75.8 ± 9.0	75.2 ± 7.7	76.1 ± 7.9	0.745	0.550	0.788
hsCRP (mg/L)	0.6 ± 0.8	0.6 ± 0.9	0.6 ± 0.9	0.933	0.877	0.786
TNF-α (pg/mL)	24.0 ± 7.3	25.7 ± 8.3	26.6 ± 8.3	0.859	0.908	0.633
IL-6 (pg/mL)	3.5 ± 3.0	2.9 ± 2.0	3.3 ± 2.9	0.152	0.105	0.614
Glucose (mg/dL)	92.0 ± 6.9	91.0 ± 6.5	91.8 ± 6.2	0.323	0.919	0.163
Insulin (μU/mL)	15.2 ± 7.3	14.1 ± 7.8	14.7 ± 7.4	0.693	0.995	0.415
HOMA-IR	3.5 ± 1.7	3.2 ± 1.9	3.3 ± 1.7	0.620	0.973	0.359

Abbreviations: GLM, general linear model; BMI, body mass index; WC, waist circumference; HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; hsCRP, high-sensitivity C-reactive protein; TNF-α, tumor necrosis factor-α; IL-6, interleukin-6.

*Bold* indicates significant comparisons ( $P < 0.05$ ).

<sup>a</sup>p1: TT vs. TC vs. CC; p2: TT vs. (TC+CC); p3: (TT+TC) vs. CC, after adjusting for age, Tanner stage, cigarette smoking, alcohol drinking, and physical activity.

Supplemental Table 4. Anthropometric and biochemical data among all adolescents with different *AXL* rs2304232 genotypes

	Genotype			GLM test <sup>a</sup>		
	AA	AG	GG	p1	p2	p3
<b>Boys</b>						
Numbers (%)	180 (50.2)	143 (40.0)	35 (9.8)			
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	22.3 ± 3.7	22.2 ± 3.9	22.4 ± 5.4	0.176	0.183	0.101
WC (cm)	79.8 ± 10.1	80.3 ± 10.0	79.5 ± 13.8	0.267	0.150	0.252
hsCRP (mg/L)	0.9 ± 1.5	0.8 ± 1.0	0.8 ± 1.5	0.558	0.628	0.286
TNF-α (pg/mL)	26.9 ± 6.0	25.2 ± 7.0	24.7 ± 7.7	0.739	0.440	0.891
IL-6 (pg/mL)	3.1 ± 3.0	3.2 ± 3.1	4.8 ± 4.0	0.078	0.938	<b>0.033</b>
Glucose (mg/dL)	93.7 ± 5.8	94.0 ± 6.2	93.4 ± 8.4	0.642	0.870	0.350
Insulin (μU/mL)	15.4 ± 9.3	14.5 ± 8.2	15.9 ± 8.6	0.103	0.425	<b>0.033</b>
HOMA-IR	3.6 ± 2.3	3.4 ± 2.0	3.7 ± 2.3	0.094	0.445	<b>0.030</b>
<b>Girls</b>						
Numbers (%)	165 (44.7)	161 (43.6)	43 (11.7)			

BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	21.4 ± 3.5	21.0 ± 3.3	21.2 ± 2.5	0.893	0.649	0.791
WC (cm)	75.7 ± 8.6	75.5 ± 7.9	75.0 ± 7.3	0.640	0.626	0.525
hsCRP (mg/L)	0.5 ± 0.8	0.5 ± 0.8	0.8 ± 1.4	0.545	0.818	0.271
TNF- $\alpha$ (pg/mL)	24.7 ± 7.5	25.4 ± 8.4	28.1 ± 9.5	0.964	0.913	0.787
IL-6 (pg/mL)	3.2 ± 3.1	3.0 ± 1.8	3.7 ± 3.5	0.629	0.413	0.472
Glucose (mg/dL)	91.3 ± 6.5	91.5 ± 6.7	92.0 ± 6.0	0.271	0.197	0.194
Insulin ( $\mu$ U/mL)	15.1 ± 7.5	14.0 ± 7.9	14.1 ± 6.1	0.740	0.854	0.503
HOMA-IR	3.4 ± 1.8	3.2 ± 1.9	3.2 ± 1.4	0.747	0.983	0.468

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Abbreviations: GLM, general linear model; BMI, body mass index; WC, waist circumference; HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; hsCRP, high-sensitivity C-reactive protein; TNF- $\alpha$ , tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$ ; IL-6, interleukin-6.

*Bold* indicates significant comparisons ( $P < 0.05$ ).

<sup>a</sup>p1: AA vs. AG vs. GG; p2: AA vs. (AG+GG); p3: (AA+AG) vs. GG, after adjusting for age, Tanner stage, cigarette smoking, alcohol drinking, and physical activity.

Supplemental Table 5. Logistic regression analyses of different *AXL* SNP on abnormal variables among adolescents.

Variables <sup>b</sup>	<i>AXL</i> rs4802113		<i>AXL</i> rs2304232	
	TT OR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>		AA OR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	
	Unadjusted	Adjusted <sup>c</sup>	Unadjusted	Adjusted <sup>c</sup>
Boys				
high BMI	0.91 (0.43–1.91)	0.57 (0.32–1.03)	0.81 (0.39–1.66)	0.66 (0.39–1.12)
high WC	1.05 (0.50–2.19)	1.46 (0.58–3.70)	1.32 (0.68–2.58)	1.16(0.46–2.86)
high hsCRP	0.52 (0.24–1.13)	0.59 (0.22–1.56)	1.42 (0.73–2.77)	1.30 (0.54–3.13)
high TNF- $\alpha$	1.25 (0.55–2.83)	1.27 (0.43–3.85)	1.41 (0.66–3.01)	1.18 (0.40–3.45)
high IL-6	0.74 (0.39–1.41)	0.32 (0.09–1.15)	0.99 (0.55–1.78)	0.93 (0.35–2.44)
high HOMA-IR	0.78 (0.36–1.68)	0.67 (0.23–1.96)	0.76 (0.34–1.55)	0.75 (0.28–1.99)
Girls				
high BMI	0.57 (0.28–1.15)	0.83 (0.43–1.61)	1.35 (0.68–2.66)	1.20 (0.68–2.13)
high WC	0.73 (0.37–1.43)	0.75 (0.29–1.96)	1.27 (0.65–2.48)	0.99 (0.43–2.33)
high hsCRP	0.94 (0.45–1.97)	0.85 (0.34–2.13)	0.85 (0.43–1.66)	0.86 (0.38–1.96)
high TNF- $\alpha$	1.03 (0.47–2.26)	1.94 (0.75–4.99)	1.05 (0.51–2.16)	1.16 (0.45–2.94)

high IL-6	0.57 (0.26–1.29)	0.51 (0.18–1.41)	0.72 (0.36–1.41)	0.57 (0.24–1.35)
high HOMA-IR	1.23 (0.56–2.72)	1.43 (0.57–3.57)	1.26 (0.60–2.66)	1.26 (0.52–3.03)

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<sup>a</sup>Under a recessive model (using heterozygotes and minor homozygotes as the reference for each SNP). <sup>b</sup>Abnormal variables were determined using an age- and gender-specific 90th percentile cut-off point.

<sup>c</sup>Adjusting for age, Tanner stage, cigarette smoking, alcohol drinking, and physical activity.

OR, odds ratio; CI, confidence index; BMI, body mass index; WC, waist circumference; HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; hsCRP, high-sensitivity C-reactive protein; TNF- $\alpha$ , tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$ ; IL-6, interleukin-6.