| Fold changes in seasonal gene expression (BABYDIET dataset) |  |        |        |        |        |        |  |
|---|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
|   | Minimum 1 <sup>st</sup> Qu. Median Mean 3 <sup>rd</sup> Qu. Maxi |        |        |        |        |        |  |
| Summer<br>genes   | 1.0481   | 1.1626 | 1.2185 | 1.2572 | 1.3048 | 5.6423 |  |
| Winter<br>genes   | 1.0618   | 1.1741 | 1.2516 | 1.3150 | 1.3806 | 3.4011 |  |



## Supplementary Figure 1 – Fold change in seasonal gene expression

The minimum, 1<sup>st</sup> quartile, median, mean, 3<sup>rd</sup> quartile and maximum cosine fold changes in gene expression, of all genes defined either as winter or summer in the BABYDIET dataset are shown. Fold change in gene expression is defined as two raised to the absolute difference of the estimated log2 expression between the 15<sup>th</sup> January and the 15<sup>th</sup> July (the mid-points of summer and winter). Histograms of the frequency of fold-changes in expression amongst seasonal genes.



## Supplementary Figure 2 – Temperature and sunlight as predictors of seasonality

Volcano plots of the *P*-values of association of daily mean temperature and daily mean sunlight hours against their corresponding Spearman correlations with gene expression: for the BABYDIET seasonal genes, suggesting a strong association with both predictors.

Seasonal genes in T1D PBMCs from Children (<=15 years old, *n*=166)



#### Supplementary Figure 3 – Seasonal gene expression replication in children and adult T1D PBMCs

We were able to replicate our observation of seasonal gene expression in a unique collection of 236 T1D PBMC samples from children and adults, in which 1,697 genes were found to be seasonal. The estimated log2 expression of these seasonal genes was used to display seasonal gene expression in either children (<=15 years old) or adults (>15 years old) from this dataset. We observed seasonal gene expression in adults and children. Importantly, the seasonal genes in the adults differed from those in the children.



#### Supplementary Figure 4 – Seasonal gene expression in asthmatic patient PBMCs

(A) Seasonal genes in the Iceland cohort are displayed (68 genes). The seasonal pattern of these genes was distinct from those of all other cohorts, with the absence of the typical difference in expression lying between summer and winter months. (B) BABYDIET summer and winter seasonal genes also did not have the same clear seasonal preference in the Icelandic samples as in all other cohorts.



## BABYDIET Seasonal genes

### Supplementary Figure 5 – Self-reported infections do not fully explain seasonality

The first principal component of the expression of the total seasonal BABYDIET genes, and of the genes contained within the black co-regulated module, were tested with association with infection. Infection data were collected in the BABYDIET dataset as self-reported infections, and samples collected within 1.5 months of a self-reported infection were compared to samples with no self-reported infections. The black module contains genes involved inflammatory responses.

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Common seasonal genes in each cohort



### Supplementary Figure 6 - Common seasonal genes in the peripheral immune system

147 genes were found to be seasonal in PBMCs in the BABYDIET, T1D, Australian, USA and UK/ Ireland cohorts. (A) These genes showed similar seasonal patterns in all datasets, except for Iceland. (B) *ARNTL* (combined *P*=6.73x10<sup>-57</sup>) was found amongst the common seasonal genes, and its expression was increased in the summer months in all datasets, except in Iceland where *ARNTL* had a more complex seasonal expression profile.





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| Variable    | Observations | Mean   | SD     | Min   | Мах    |
|-------------|--------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Age [years] | 4200         | 21.02  | 19.21  | 1.01  | 92.96  |
| RBC [n/l]   | 4200         | 4.29   | 0.44   | 2.08  | 5.99   |
| logRDW [%]  | 4200         | 15.00  | 1.58   | 12.50 | 32.10  |
| MCV [fl]    | 4197         | 79.83  | 6.95   | 48.90 | 114.00 |
| HGB [g/dl]  | 4191         | 11.75  | 1.30   | 5.10  | 17.30  |
| MCH [pg]    | 4189         | 27.53  | 2.68   | 15.20 | 37.90  |
| MCHC [g/dl] | 4189         | 34.47  | 1.43   | 28.50 | 40.10  |
| LYM [n/l]   | 4157         | 2.57   | 0.99   | 0.60  | 10.80  |
| GRAN [n/l]  | 4155         | 3.25   | 1.34   | 0.80  | 13.90  |
| MONO [n/l]  | 4158         | 0.51   | 0.16   | 0.20  | 1.60   |
| HCT [%]     | 4197         | 34.14  | 3.81   | 16.40 | 49.60  |
| PLT [n/l]   | 4197         | 333.69 | 101.53 | 11.00 | 968.00 |

### Supplementary Figure 7 – The Gambia full blood count data

(A) Red blood cell parameters were found to be seasonal in addition to the white blood cell parameters reported in the main text and Fig. 4C. (B) Age (in years) distribution of the Gambian cohort. (C) A demography table of the Gambian samples.



| Black module<br>Increased WINTER expression |                                    |                                 |  |  |  |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|
| <u>Pathway</u>                              | <u>Genes</u>                       | <u>P-Value</u><br><u>(adj.)</u> |  |  |  |
| Staphylococcus<br>aureus infection          | FCGR3A, FPR1, FPR2                 | 0.0002                          |  |  |  |
| Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction      | TNFRSF10C, CXCR1,<br>CXCR2, CSF3R  | 0.0006                          |  |  |  |
| Metabolic pathways                          | MGAM, CYP4F3,<br>LPCAT2, ALPL, HAL | 0.0167                          |  |  |  |
|   |                                    |                                 |  |  |  |

### Blue module Increased SUMMER expression

| Pathway                                | Genes  | P-Value (adj.) |
|--|--|----------------|
| Ubiquitin mediated proteolysis         | CUL5, UBE3A,<br>SMURF1, HERC1,<br>BIRC2, UBR5, CUL3        | 0.0002         |
| RNA Transport                          | RPP30, NUP155,<br>NUP153, TGS1,<br>SUMO4, NUP133,<br>NUP98 | 0.0002         |
| Circadian rhythm -<br>mammal           | CRY1, RORA, ARNTL  | 0.0011         |
| Splicesome                             | AQR, TCERG1, SRSF4,<br>CRNKL1, PRPF40A                     | 0.0030         |
| Ribosome<br>biogenesis -<br>eukaryotes | RPP30, HEATR1, DKC1,<br>GNL3                               | 0.0034         |
| Proteasome                             | PSMD11, PSMD12,<br>PSME4                                   | 0.0054         |
| RIG-I-like receptor signalling pathway | RIPK1, MAPK8, TRAF3  | 0.0124         |
| Hepatitis C                            | RIPK1, MAPK8, TRAF3,<br>BRAF                               | 0.0124         |
| Aminoacyl-tRNA<br>biosynthesis         | RARS, SPESECS,<br>RARS2                                    | 0.0124         |
| RNA degradation                        | CNOT2, CNOT6L,<br>DHX36                                    | 0.0124         |



#### Brown module Increased WINTER expression

|             |               |     |     |     |       | bro   | wn m           | nodule       |       |      |        |     |  |
|-------------|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|----------------|--------------|-------|------|--------|-----|--|
| expression) | 0.5           |     |     |     |       |       |                |              |       |      |        |     |  |
| /e Log2     | 0.0 -         |     |     |     |       |       |                |              |       |      |        |     |  |
| Relativ     | -0.5 <b>-</b> |     |     |     |       |       |                |              |       |      |        |     |  |
|             |               | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr N | lay . | June .<br>Mont | luly A<br>hs | ug Se | ep O | ct Nov | Dec |  |

| <u>Pathway</u>                  | Genes  | <u>P-Value (adj.)</u> |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Osteoclast<br>differentiation   | LILRB2, NCF4, LILRA1,<br>FCGR2A, LILRB1, LILRA6,<br>LILRA2, NCF2, SYK, CSF1R,<br>CYBB  | 1.75e-11              |
| Metabolic pathways              | AMPD2, TBXAS1, CDA,<br>AGPAT1, SPTLC2, AKR1A1,<br>ALOX5, GNS, GBGT1, ACSS2,<br>G6PD, IMPDH1, COMT, GLB1,<br>TALDO1, HK3, NADK, TPI1, | 7.06e-07              |
| Leishmaniasis                   | JAK2, NCF4, CR1, PTPN6,<br>NCF2, FCGR2A  | 1.21e-06              |
| FC gamma R-mediated processes   | GSN, VASP, HCK, SYK,<br>PRKCD, FCGR2A  | 4.45e-06              |
| Phagosome                       | SCARB1, NCF4, CD36, NCF2,<br>FCGR2A, CYBB  | 5.97e-05              |
| Axon guidance                   | CDK5, SRGAP2, SEMA4A,<br>DYPSL2, FES   | 0.0002                |
| Glycolysis/<br>gluconeogenesis  | HK3, ACSS2, TPI1, AKR1A1   | 0.0002                |
| Fat digestion/absorption        | SCARB1, CD36, AGPAT1   | 0.0011                |
| Chemokine signalling<br>pathway | JAK2, FGR, HCK, ADRBK2,<br>PRKCD   | 0.0011                |
| Glutathione metabolism          | GSR, G6PD, MGST1   | 0.0012                |

#### Magenta module Increased WINTER expression



| Pathway.                               | <u>Genes</u>             | <u>P-Value (adj.)</u> |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Haematopoietic cell lineage            | FCER2, CD19, CD22, MS4A1 | 9.40E-06              |
| B cell receptor signalling pathway     | CD19, CD22, PLCG2        | 0.0001                |
| Phosphatidylinositol signalling system | PLCG2, ITPR1, PIP5K1B    | 0.0001                |
| Cell adhesion<br>molecules (CAMs)      | HLA-DOA, HLA-DOB, CD22   | 0.0004                |
| Calcium signalling<br>pathway          | P2RX5, PLCG2, ITPR1      | 0.0007                |



### Green/Yellow module Increased WINTER expression

Co-regulated probes in the green/yellow module did not map to currently annotated gene products





purple module

| Purple module<br>Increased WINTER expression |  |                       |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| <u>Pathway</u>                               | Genes                                    | <u>P-Value (adj.)</u> |  |  |  |  |
| B cell receptor signalling pathway           | CR2, FCGR2B, CD72,<br>BLNK2, CD79B, BTK, | 3.39e-10              |  |  |  |  |
| Primary<br>immunodeficiency                  | BLNK, CIITA, BTK                         | 8.25e-06              |  |  |  |  |
| Osteoclast differentiation                   | FCGR2B, BLNK, BTK                        | 0.0003                |  |  |  |  |



| Yellow module<br>Increased SUMMER expression |  |                |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| <u>Pathway</u>                               | Genes  | P-Value (adj.) |  |  |  |  |
| RNA transport                                | RANBP2, EIF3J, RAE1,<br>NUP54, DDX20, STRAP,<br>NUPL1, PAIP1 | 1.70e-07       |  |  |  |  |
| RNA degradation                              | DCP1A, HSPA9, DIS3,<br>DDX6, CNOT8                           | 1.02e-05       |  |  |  |  |
| Splicesome                                   | DHX8, SNW1, SYF2,<br>SLU7                                    | 0.0014         |  |  |  |  |
| Acute myeloid<br>leukaemia                   | RPS6KB1, NFKB1,<br>PIK3CA                                    | 0.0014         |  |  |  |  |
| Prostate cancer                              | CTNNB1, NFKB1,<br>PIK3CA                                     | 0.0040         |  |  |  |  |
| Osteoclast differentiation                   | CYLD, NFKB1, PIK3CA  | 0.0079         |  |  |  |  |
| Neurotrophin signalling pathway              | FRS2, NFKB1, PIK3CA  | 0.0079         |  |  |  |  |
| Pathways in cancer                           | CTNNB1, CUL2, NFKB1,<br>PIK3CA                               | 0.0173         |  |  |  |  |



| Pink module<br>Increased Summer expression   |              |                                 |  |  |  |  |
|--|--------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| <u>Pathway</u>   | <u>Genes</u> | <u>P-Value</u><br><u>(adj.)</u> |  |  |  |  |
| Co-regulated genes present in the green/yellow module did not map to known KEGG pathways under our analyses conditions |              |                                 |  |  |  |  |

**Red module** 

|           | 0.50    | red module   |
|-----------|---------|--|
| pression) | 0.25 -  |  |
| Log2 (exp | 0.00 -  |  |
| Relative  | -0.25 - |  |
|           | -0.50 - | Jan Feb Mar Apr May June July Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec. |

|     | Incre                                      | eased WINTER expression                      |                   |
|-----|--|--|-------------------|
|     | Pathway                                    | Genes  | P-Value<br>(adj.) |
|     | Lysosome                                   | TPP1, GAA, CTSS,<br>SORT1, ARSB,             | 2.96e-05          |
|     | Leukocyte<br>transendothelial<br>migration | ITGB2, GNAI2, MSN,<br>ITGAM                  | 0.0002            |
|     | Regulation of actin cytoskeleton           | ITGB2, MYH9, RRAS,<br>MSN, ITGAM             | 0.0002            |
|     | Cell adhesion<br>molecules (CAMs)          | ITGB2, CD4, VCAN,<br>ITGAM                   | 0.0003            |
|     | Hematopoietic cell<br>lineage              | CD4, ITGAM, CD33                             | 0.0011            |
|     | Amoebiasis                                 | ITGB2, PRKACA, ITGAM                         | 0.0016            |
| ec. | MAPK signalling<br>pathway                 | ARRB1, RRAS, PRKACA,<br>MAPKAPK3             | 0.0022            |
|     | Tight junction                             | MYH9, RRAS, GNAI2                            | 0.0023            |
|     | Phagosome                                  | ITGB2, CTSS, ITGAM                           | 0.0032            |
|     | Metabolic pathways                         | ITPK1, GAA, ALDH2,<br>LTA4H, ARSB, BST1, TKT | 0.0045            |
|     |  |  |                   |

#### Turquoise module Increased WINTER expression

|                      |  | <u>Pathway</u>                   | <u>Genes</u>  | <u>P-Value</u><br>(adj.) |
|----------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|--------------------------|
|                      |  | Metabolic pathways               | <ul> <li>MPI, COX15, AK2, PIGN, PGM2,<br/>UGP2, DHCR24, UGDH, NDUFB5,<br/>ALG8, DPAGT1, AHCYL2,</li> <li>NDUFA2, INPP4A, ALDOC, DAD1,<br/>FUT8, SHMT2, HIBCH, DPYD,<br/>AHCYL1, ALDH18A1, GMDS,<br/>POLD4, PLCB2, ATP6V0E2,</li> <li>ALDH3A2, DNMT1, HSD17B12,<br/>MTHFD1, NT5E, PNPO, ACSL5,<br/>PDHA1, COQ5, AK5, PIGK,</li> <li>BCKDHB, POLA1, ECHS1, GALK2,</li> <li>OGDH, HSD17B4, IMPDH2, IDH1,<br/>GMPPA, PRIM1, GLCE, CAT,<br/>REV3L, ALAD, PRPS2, NNT,</li> <li>AGMAT, INPP4B, LPCAT4, ACADM,<br/>HMBS, ACSS1, ATP6V0E1, SCLY,<br/>HIBADH</li> </ul> | 5.48e-18                 |
| 0.5 -                |  | Regulation of actin cytoskeleton | ABI2, RAC2, ITGAL, WAS, SOS1,<br>ARHGEF6, ARPC5, ITGA4,<br>IQGAP1, PDGFD, PPP1CA,<br>MAPK1, DIAPH1, PIP4K2A,<br>ROCK2, IQGAP2,  | 2.04e-06                 |
| elative Log2 (expres |  | MAPK signalling pathway          | PPP3CA, SOS1, RPS6KA1,<br>TAOK1, HSPA8, TP53, NLK,<br>DUSP22, RASA1, RAC2, PRKCB,<br>MAP2K6, IKBKB, MAP3K12,<br>HSPB1, MAPK1, PRKACB, TAOK3   | 2.04e-06                 |
| -0.5 -               |  | Purine metabolism                | GMPR2, PDE6D, AK2, PGM2, AK5,<br>POLA1, PRPS2, PDE7A, NUDT5,<br>IMPDH2, POLD4, ADCY7, PRIM1,<br>NT5E,   | 2.04e-06                 |
|                      |  | Peroxisome                       | ACSL5, CAT, GSTK1, ABCD2,<br>MPV17, PXMP2, PECR, HSD17B4,<br>IDH1, ECH1   | 3.46e-06                 |
|                      |  | Pancreatic cancer                | RB1, RAC2, ARHGEF6, RALBP1,<br>CDK4, IKBKB, TP53, MAPK1,<br>CDK6  | 1.06e-05                 |
|                      |  | Chronic myeloid leukemia         | RB1, SOS1, CDK4, IKBKB, TP53,<br>HDAC1, CBL, MAPK1, CDK6  | 1.30e-05                 |
|                      |  | Wnt signalling pathway           | PPP3CA, RAC2, PRKCB, TP53,<br>NLK, GSK3B, PPP2R5B, PLCB2,<br>DAAM1, ROCK2, CAMK2G,<br>PRKACB  | 2.00e-05                 |
|                      |  | Chemokine signalling<br>pathway  | RAC2, WAS, SOS1, CX3CR1,<br>PRKCB, IKBKB, GSK3B, MAPK1,<br>PLCB2, ROCK2, DOCK2, PRKACB,<br>ADCY7  | 3.56e-05                 |
|                      |  | Apoptosis                        | ATM, PPP3CA, DFFB, APAF1,<br>DFFA, CASP10, IKBKB, PRKACB,<br>TP53   | 3.69e-05                 |

#### Supplementary Figure 8 – Modules of seasonally co-regulated genes in the BABYDIET dataset

From the 6,359 seasonal probesets (mapping to 5,136 ENSMBL genes), 11 modules of co-regulated genes were generated. A full list of genes present in each module is shown in Extended Data Table 12. Pathway analysis of the genes in each module was performed using KEGG pathways, as described in the methods. The pathways with the strongest enrichment, and their gene members are shown, alongside their adjusted *P*-value.

#### KEGG Pathway Analysis of seasonal adipose tissue genes

| Pathway Name                     | #Genes | EntrezGene   | Adj. P value |
|----------------------------------|--------|--|--------------|
| Metabolic pathways               | 92     | 1355 7360 4712 1798 3631 55902 64132 1854<br>5336 9061 9488 1312 2628 1786 55454 51703<br>124454 8813 10026 7378 48 535 63917 2585 3417<br>29926 10327 5557 7263 5445 5335 39 5050 51181<br>23530 56994 8992 3707 2584 549 3636 23556<br>4594 1718 6240 1327 128869 8702 5373 51004<br>374291 5281 1119 128 64768 3632 1603 79868<br>51227 3155 5833 8694 224 51144 5431 8803 2673<br>516 10678 669 6342 3295 9517 5286 56655 55361<br>847 159 5980 9296 50484 8613 2224 3614 6713<br>34 3145 498 9533 216 411 11285 | P=8.69e-18   |
| Pathways in cancer               | 40     | 2033 836 7184 2034 7157 5604 11186 27148 2535<br>7048 329 25 1387 3725 1399 5925 4193 1499<br>5728 5899 5336 1612 1027 10342 841 6774 5970<br>6655 7170 6654 5468 7428 867 2260 5595 5335<br>1398 3091 1487 54583  | P=3.90e-13   |
| Renal cell carcinoma             | 15     | 1399 2033 3725 1387 6655 2889 2034 1398 6654<br>3091 7428 201163 5604 5595 54583   | P=3.54e-08   |
| Chronic myeloid<br>leukemia      | 15     | 25 1399 6655 5925 4193 1398 6654 7157 5604<br>1027 867 7048 5970 1487 5595   | P=4.93e-08   |
| ErbB signaling pathway           | 16     | 25 1399 3725 6655 817 5335 1398 6654 5336<br>5604 1027 6198 2002 867 818 5595  | P=6.29e-08   |
| Prostate cancer                  | 16     | 2033 6655 7184 6654 7157 5604 2260 5595 1387<br>5925 4193 1499 5728 1027 80310 5970  | P=7.41e-08   |
| MAPK signaling<br>pathway        | 27     | 6655 836 5530 6237 6654 6195 9448 7157 5604<br>8491 1846 2002 56940 7048 5495 9064 2260 5595<br>10235 3725 1399 2768 1398 11184 5494 5970<br>5567  | P=2.25e-07   |
| Neurotrophin signaling pathway   | 18     | 6655 2889 6654 10782 6195 7157 5604 5595 3725<br>1399 25 5335 817 1398 5336 5970 818 7529  | P=2.99e-07   |
| Regulation of actin cytoskeleton | 23     | 6655 54961 23191 6237 54434 6654 8874 5604<br>3678 4627 55740 26999 2260 5595 1399 2768<br>2934 1398 5216 80310 81 7414 4636   | P=5.80e-07   |
| Ubiquitin mediated proteolysis   | 18     | 8924 23291 51433 7428 7332 867 329 9246 4193<br>55070 8925 7318 51343 51529 7322 26091 7326<br>10477   | P=6.29e-07   |

Supplementary Figure 9 – Pathways amongst seasonal genes common to blood and adipose tissue Between the BABYDIET and adipose datasets, 1,213 genes were found to be seasonal in both tissues. KEGG pathway analysis of these genes revealed various pathways to be shared between both tissues, notably metabolic processes and genes implicated in the risk to cancer. Pathway analysis was carried out as described in the materials and methods.