## **Description of Additional Supplementary Files**

Supplementary Data 1: Empirical FDRs of the MR and the naive count ExSep methods

Supplementary Data 2: Number of discoveries of the MR and the naive count ExSep methods

Supplementary Data 3: Empirical FDRs of the ExSep model selection test

Supplementary Data 4: Number of discoveries of the ExSep model selection test

Supplementary Data 5: Empirical FDRs and FPRs using the □<sub>1</sub> estimates

Supplementary Data 6: Number of discoveries using the  $\square_1$  estimates ( $\square_1$ >thr)

Supplementary Data 7: Comparison with CAUSE: FDR and number of discoveries (c-MRPRESSO and c-IVW: utilizing the MR methods with a cGAUGE UniqueIV filter, (\*) a variation of cGAUGE with p1=1e-05 and p2=0.001, otherwise cGAUGE was run with p1=0.001, and p2=0.01).

Supplementary Data 8: The phenotypes analyzed in the UKBB data

Supplementary Data 9: Selected MR results after the uniqueIV filter, with 0.1 FDR adjustment and pi1>0.25 (MS\_test: p-value for the ExSep model-selection test, p\_ivw: IVW p-value for causal effect, p\_het\_ivw: IVW p-value for effect heterogeneity, p\_mrpresso: MRPRESSO p-value for causal effect, mrepresso\_global: MRPRESSO p-value for the global test, qvalue: FDR adjusted q-values).

Supplementary Data 10: Significant ExSep model selection test results (0.01 FDR) that are not in the MR results (MS\_test: p-value for the ExSep model-selection test, p\_ivw: IVW p-value for causal effect, p\_het\_ivw: IVW p-value for effect heterogeneity, p\_mrpresso: MRPRESSO p-value for causal effect, mrepresso\_global: MRPRESSO p-value for the global test, qvalue: FDR adjusted q-values).

Supplementary Data 11: All causal inference results after the uniqueIV filter with  $p_1$ =10<sup>-06</sup> and  $p_2$ =0.01 (MS\_test: p-value for the ExSep model-selection test, p\_ivw: IVW p-value for causal effect, p\_het\_ivw: IVW p-value for effect heterogeneity, p\_mrpresso: MRPRESSO p-value for causal effect, mrepresso\_global: MRPRESSO p-value for the global test, qvalue: FDR adjusted q-values).

Supplementary Data 12: All causal inference results after the uniqueIV filter with  $p_1=10^{-06}$  and  $p_2=0.001$  (MS\_test: p-value for the ExSep model-selection test, p\_ivw: IVW p-value for causal effect, p\_het\_ivw: IVW p-value for effect heterogeneity, p\_mrpresso: MRPRESSO p-value for causal effect, mrepresso\_global: MRPRESSO p-value for the global test, qvalue: FDR adjusted q-values).

Supplementary Data 13: All causal inference results after the uniqueIV filter with  $p_1=10^{-07}$  and  $p_2=0.01$  (MS\_test: p-value for the ExSep model-selection test, p\_ivw: IVW p-value for causal effect, p\_het\_ivw: IVW p-value for effect heterogeneity, p\_mrpresso: MRPRESSO p-value for causal effect, mrepresso\_global: MRPRESSO p-value for the global test, qvalue: FDR adjusted q-values).

Supplementary Data 14: All causal inference results after the uniquelV filter with  $p_1=10^{-07}$  and  $p_2=0.001$  (MS\_test: p-value for the ExSep model-selection test, p\_ivw: IVW p-value for causal effect, p\_het\_ivw: IVW p-value for effect heterogeneity, p\_mrpresso: MRPRESSO p-value for causal effect, mrepresso\_global: MRPRESSO p-value for the global test, qvalue: FDR adjusted q-values).

Supplementary Data 15: The instrument sets discovered by UniqueIV with  $p_1=10^{-07}$  and  $p_2=0.01$  (beta, se, P-value: the GWAS estimates for each variant adjusted for age, sex, and 5 PCs, cGAUGE p1 and cGAUGE p2: thresholds used as input for the filter)

Supplementary Data 16: The instrument sets discovered by UniqueIV with  $p_1=10^{-07}$  and  $p_2=0.001$  (beta, se, P-value: the GWAS estimates for each variant adjusted for age, sex, and 5 PCs, cGAUGE p1 and cGAUGE p2: thresholds used as input for the filter).