

Supplementary Figures: A unified framework identifies novel links between plasma lipids and diseases from electronic medical records across large-scale cohorts

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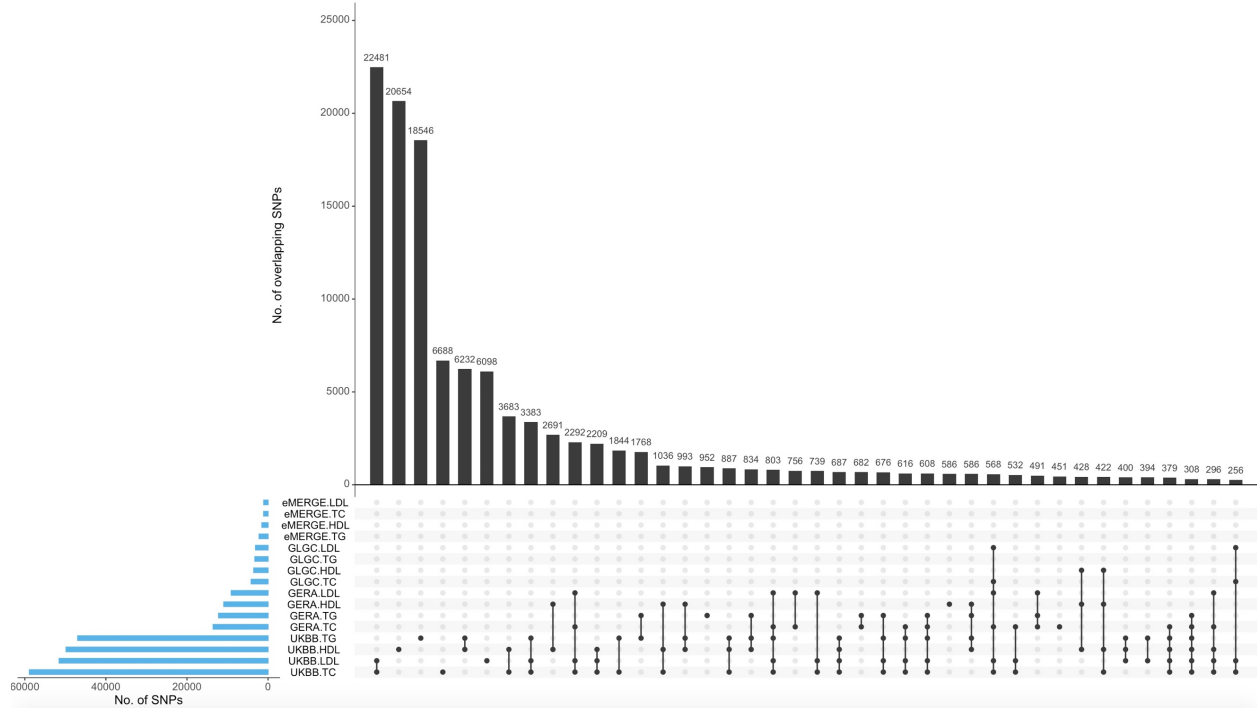
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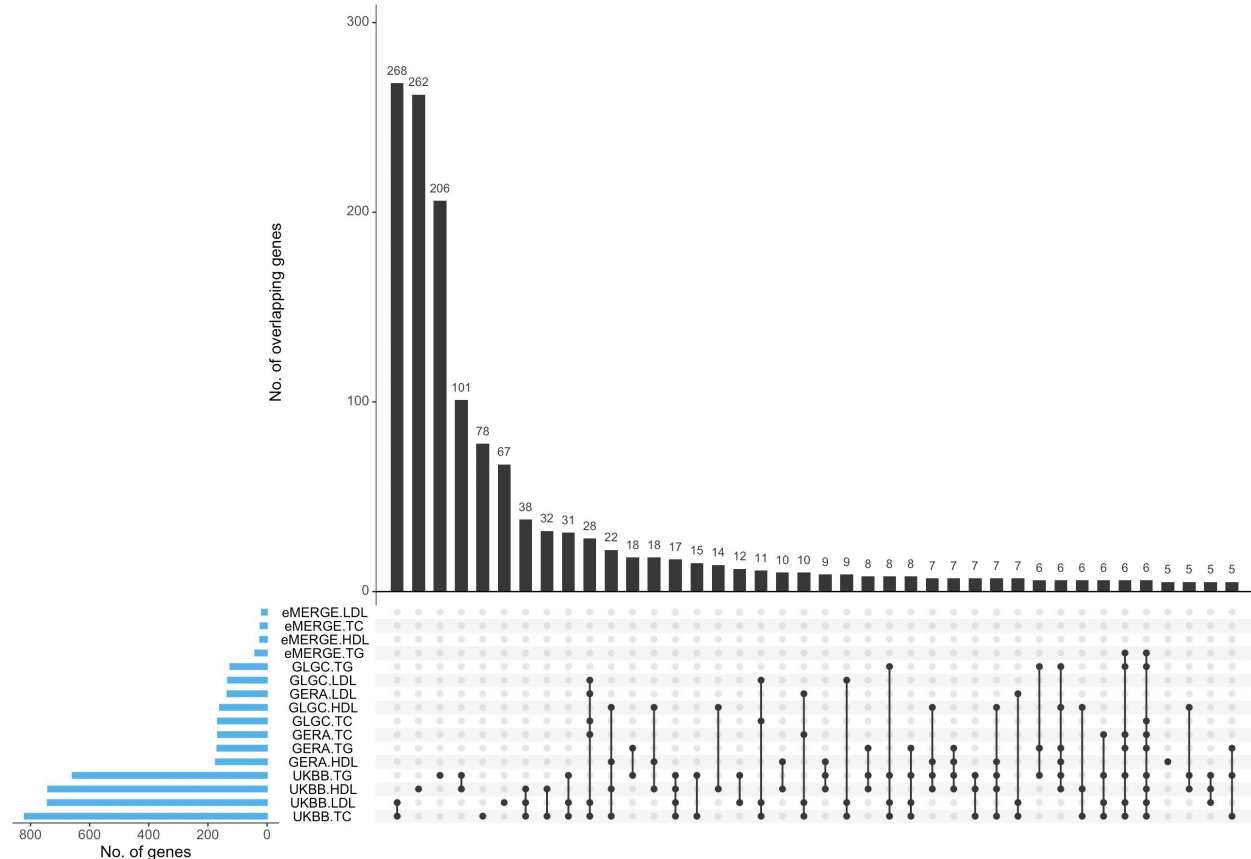
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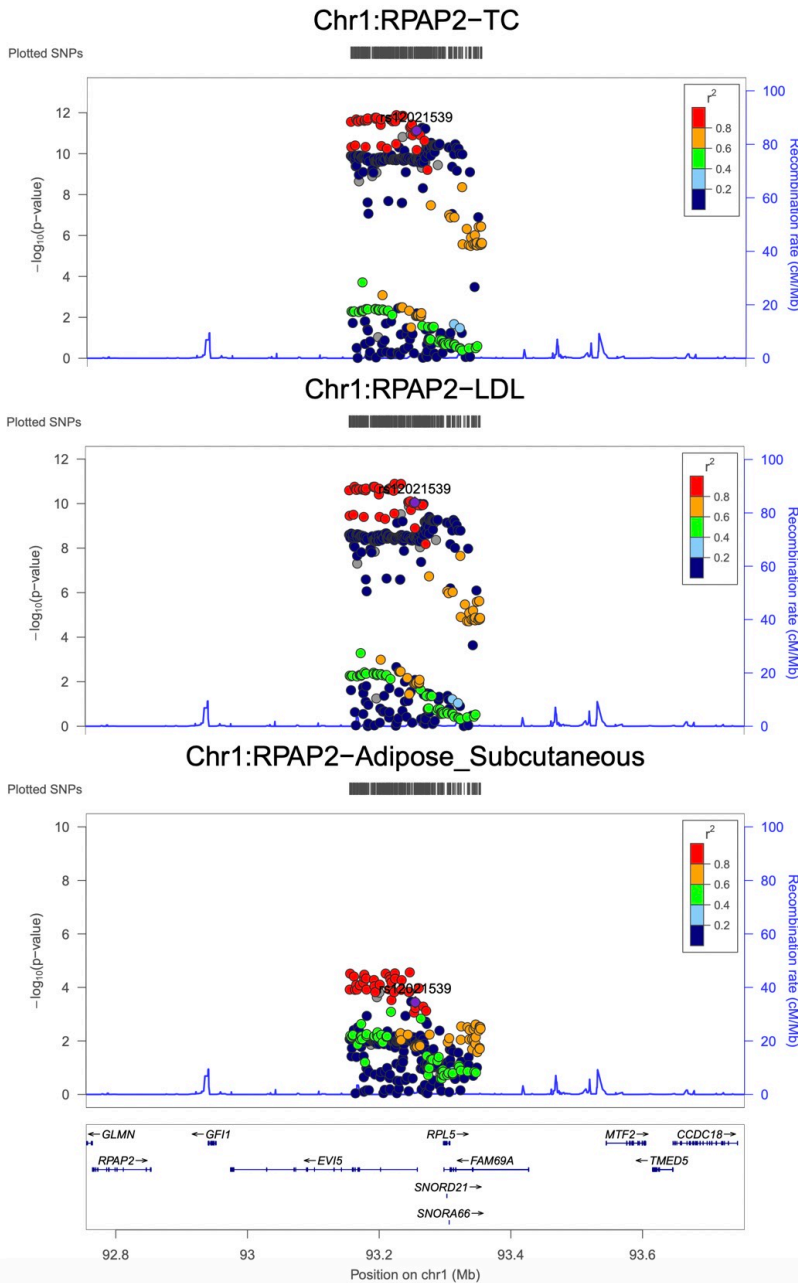
Supplementary Figure 1. Overlap of lipid GWAS-significant SNPs across multiple cohorts.

The UpSet plot shows the SNPs that overlap at the Bonferroni threshold from GWAS of each of the four plasma lipids (HDL-C, LDL-C, TC, TG) across the four cohorts considered in Phase I of this study (eMERGE, GERA, GLGC and UKB). The numbers on top indicate the GWAS-significant SNPs exclusively detected in an intersecting set.

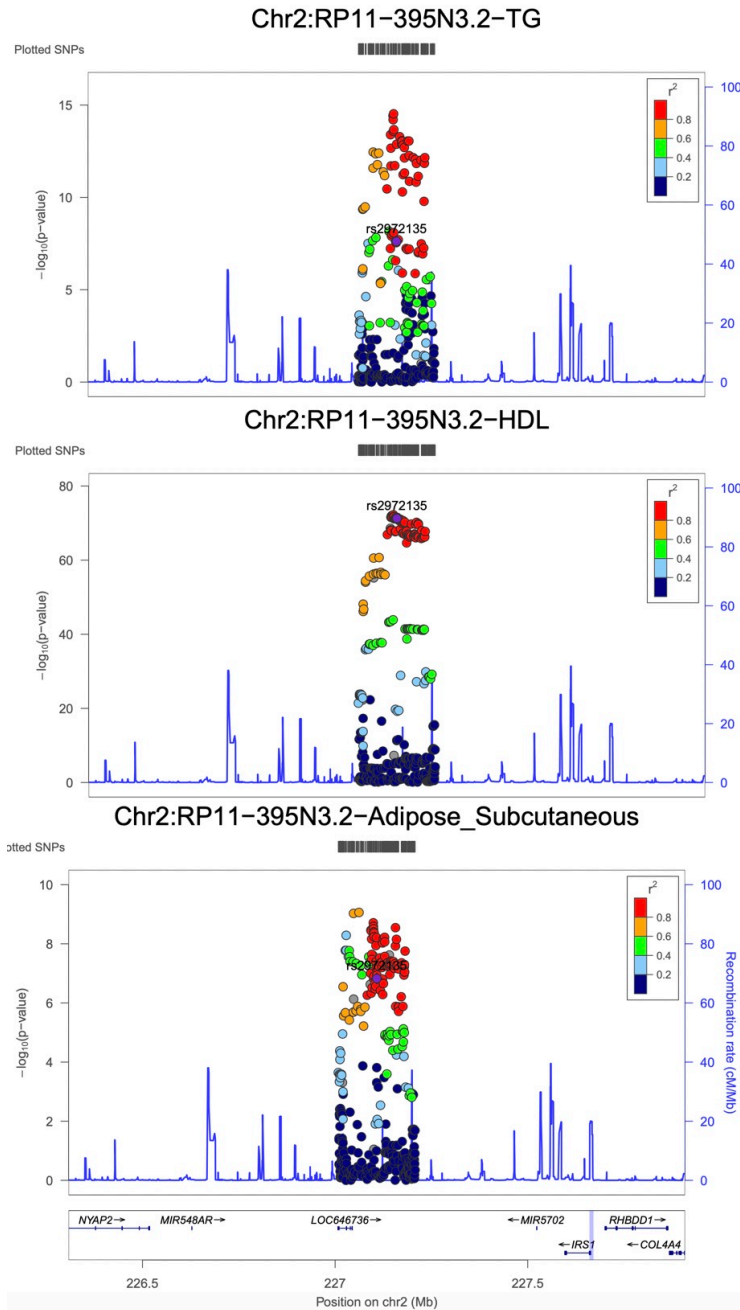


Supplementary Figure 2. Overlap of lipid TWAS-significant genes across multiple cohorts.

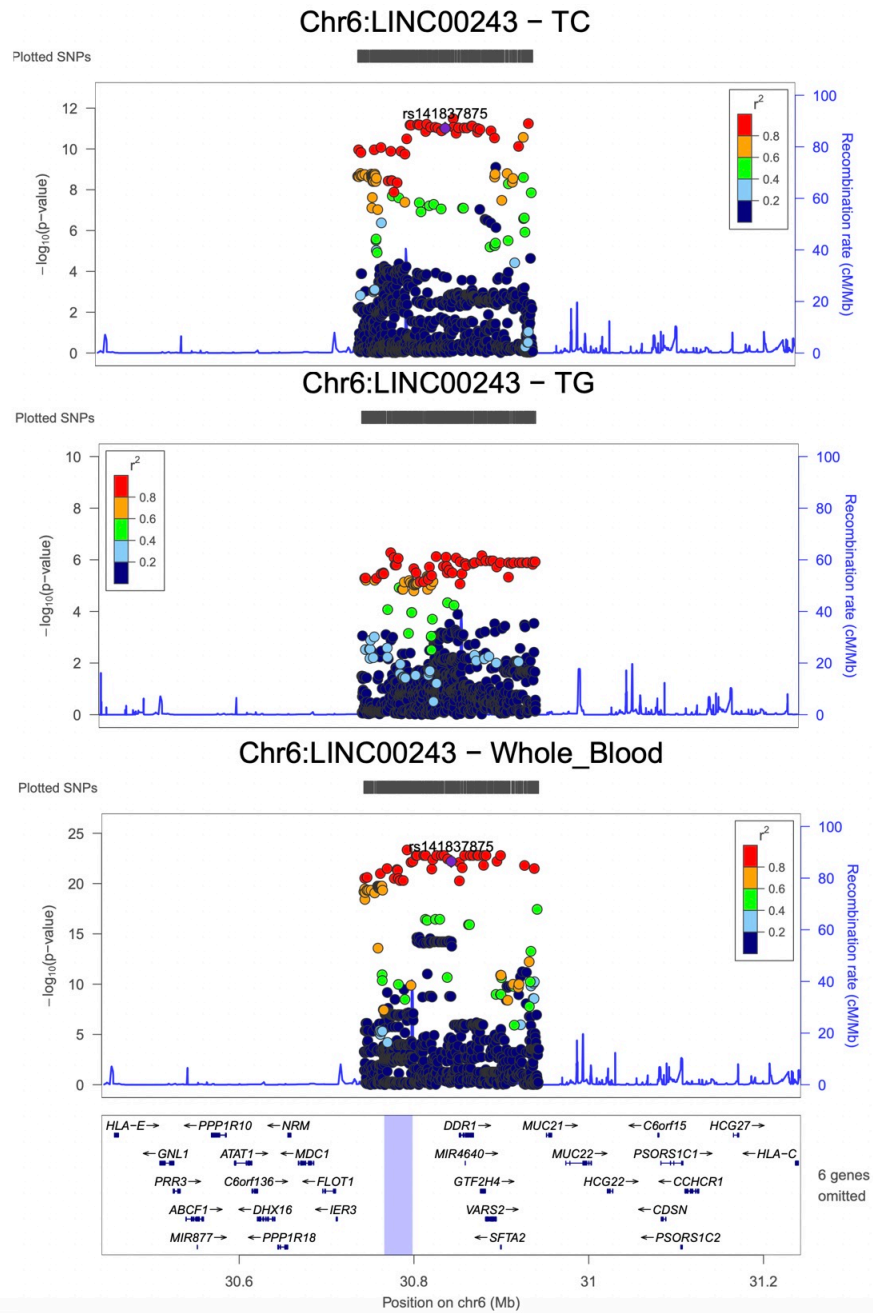
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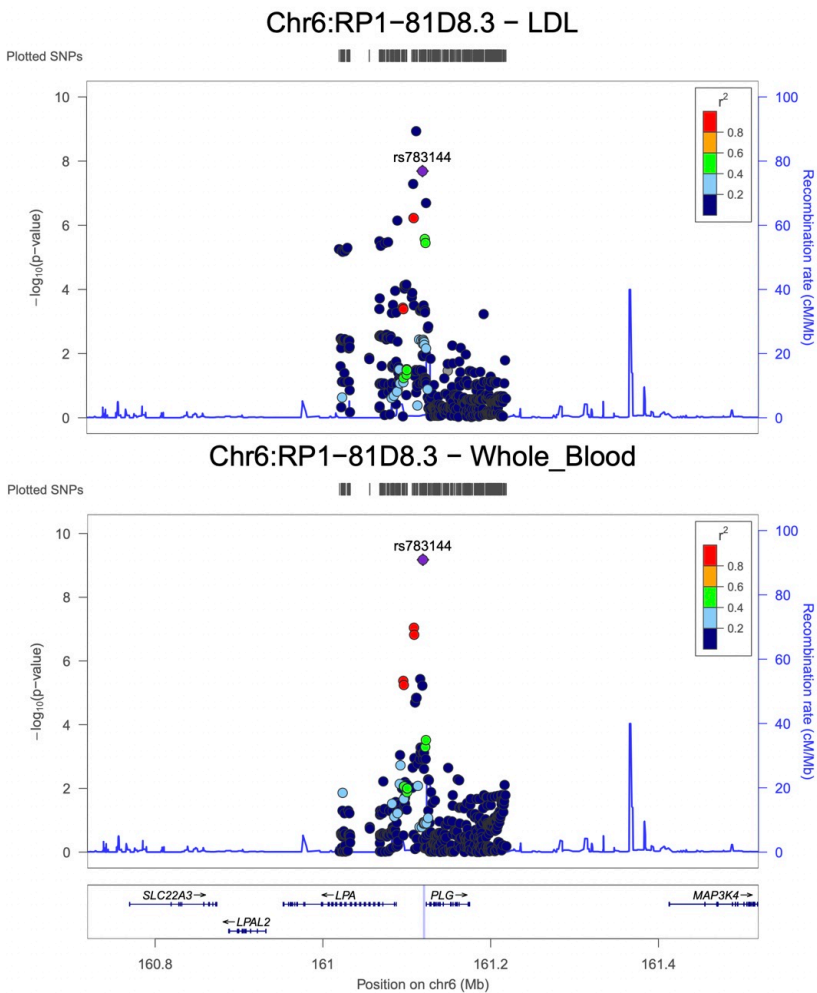
Supplementary Figure 3. Local association plots for lipids (top and middle) and gene expression (bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel gene *RPAP2* on chromosome 1. Y-axis on these LocusZoom plots shows $-\log P$ values from: (top) GWAS of TC (two-sided linear regression) in UKB, (middle) GWAS of LDL (two-sided linear regression) in UKB, and (bottom) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in adipose subcutaneous tissue from GTEx v8. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *RPAP2* was significant at the Bonferroni threshold from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



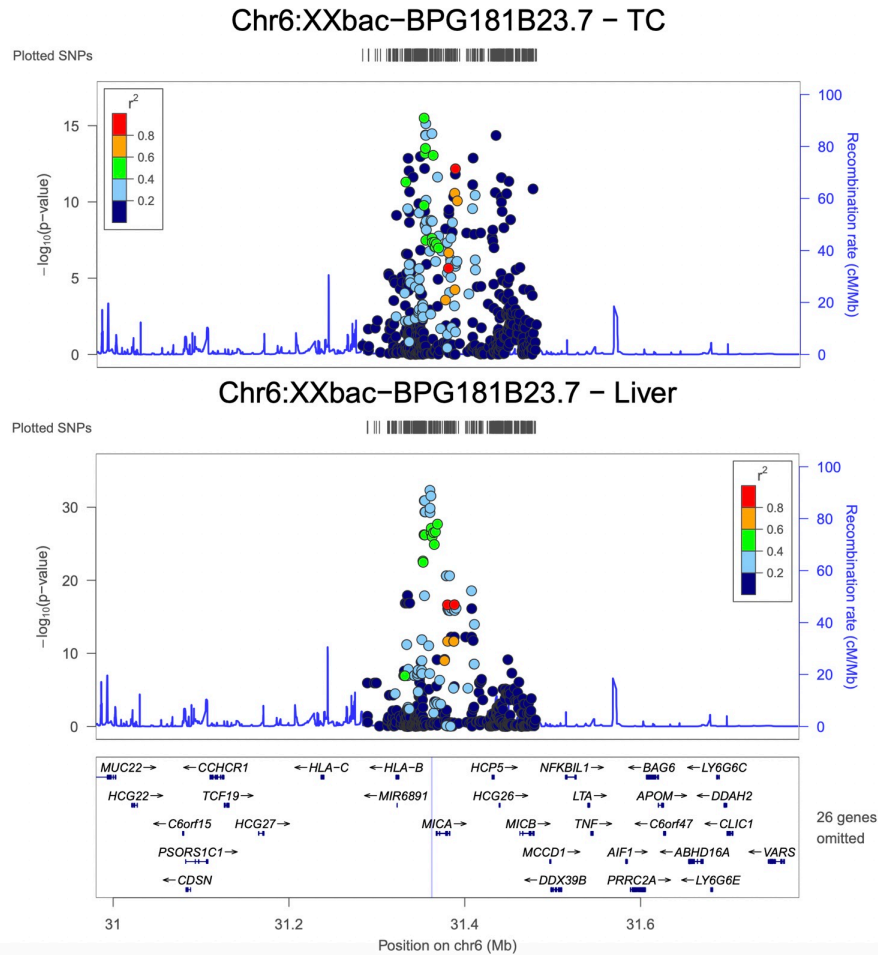
Supplementary Figure 4. Local association plots for lipids (top and middle) and gene expression (bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel gene *RP11-395N3.2* on chromosome 2. Y-axis on these LocusZoom plots indicates $-\log_{10}(P\text{-value})$ values from: (top) GWAS of TG (two-sided linear regression) in GLGC, (middle) GWAS of HDL (two-sided linear regression) in UKB, and (middle) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in adipose subcutaneous tissue from GTEx v8 (bottom). X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *RP11-395N3.2* was Bonferroni-significant from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



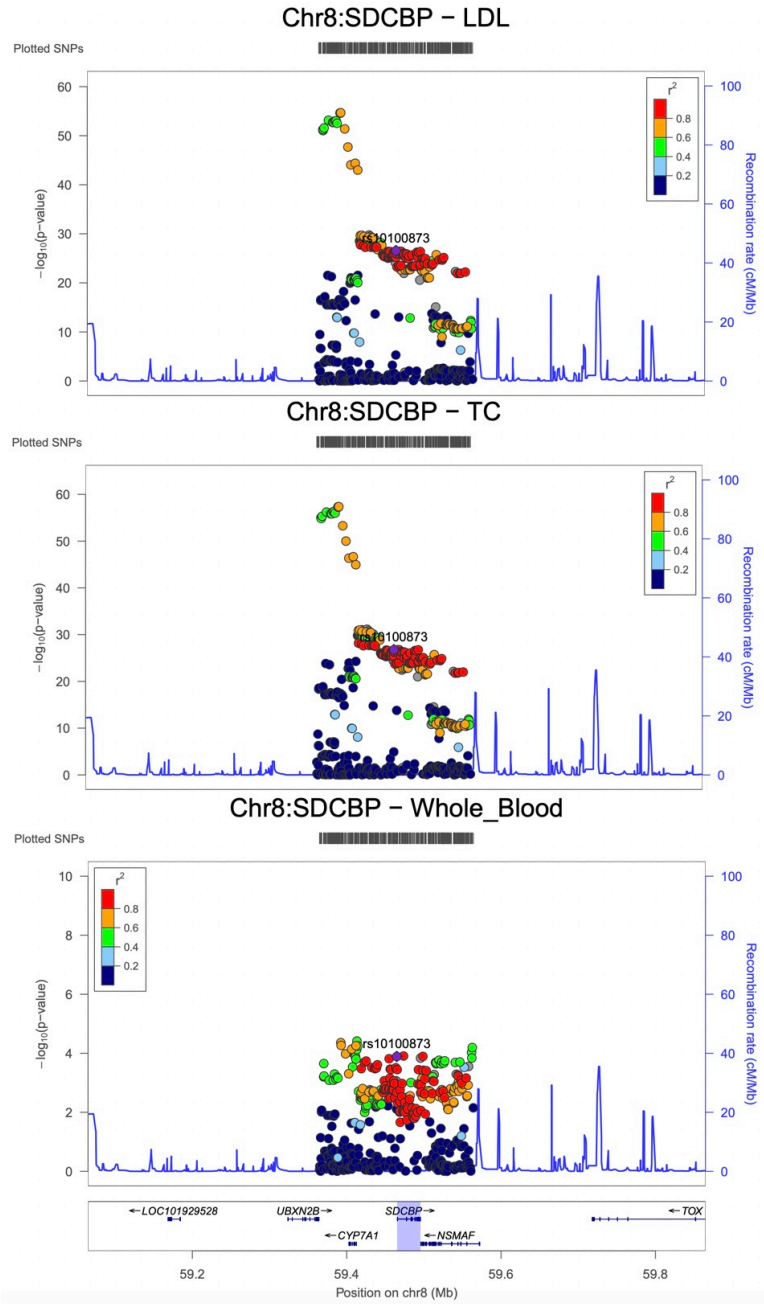
Supplementary Figure 5. Local association plots for lipids (top and middle) and gene expression (bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel pseudogene *LINC00243* on chromosome 6. Y-axis on these LocusZoom plots indicates $-\log P$ values from: (top) GWAS of TC (two-sided linear regression) in GERA, (middle) GWAS of TG (two-sided linear regression) in GERA, and (bottom) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in whole blood from GTEx v8. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *LINC00243* was significant at the Bonferroni threshold from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



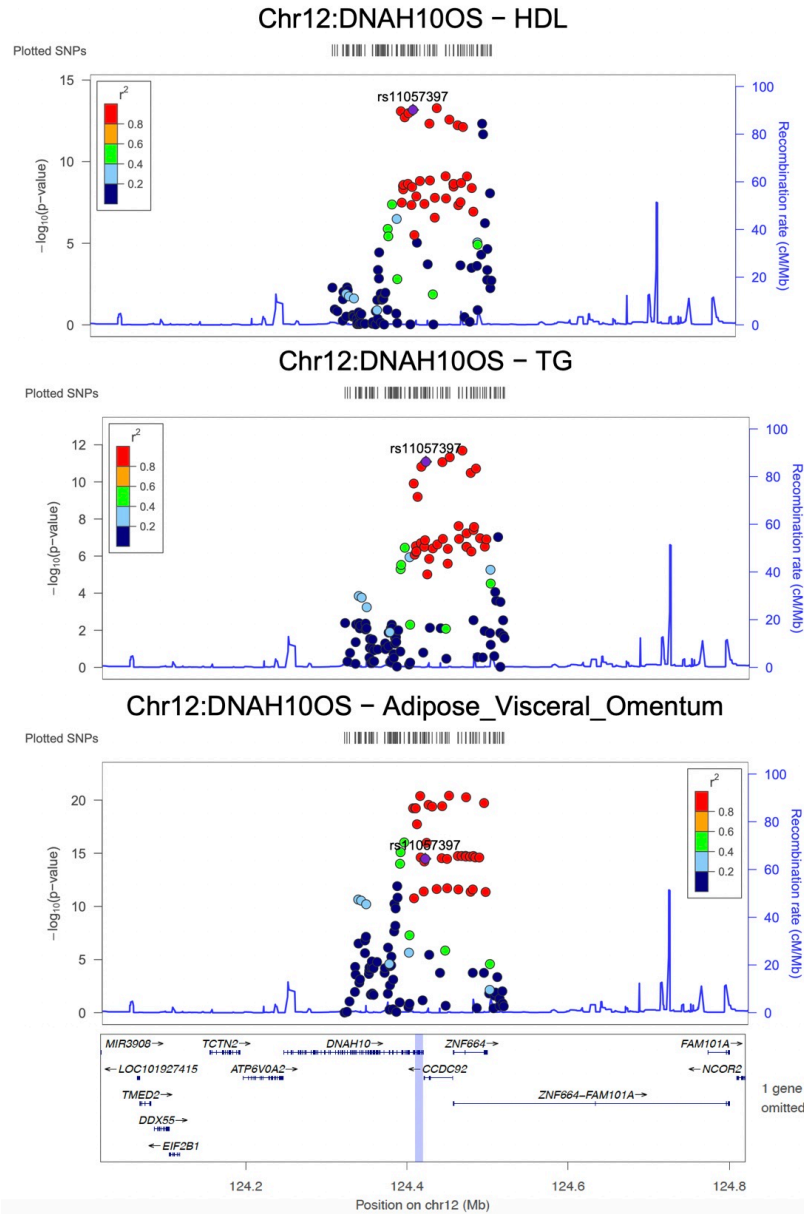
Supplementary Figure 6. Local association plots for lipids (top) and gene expression (bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel locus *RPI-81D8.3* on chromosome 6. Y-axis on these LocusZoom plots indicates $-\log P$ values from: (top) GWAS of LDL (two-sided linear regression) in eMERGE, and (bottom) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in whole blood tissue from GTEx v8. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *RPI-81D8.3* was significant at the Bonferroni threshold from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



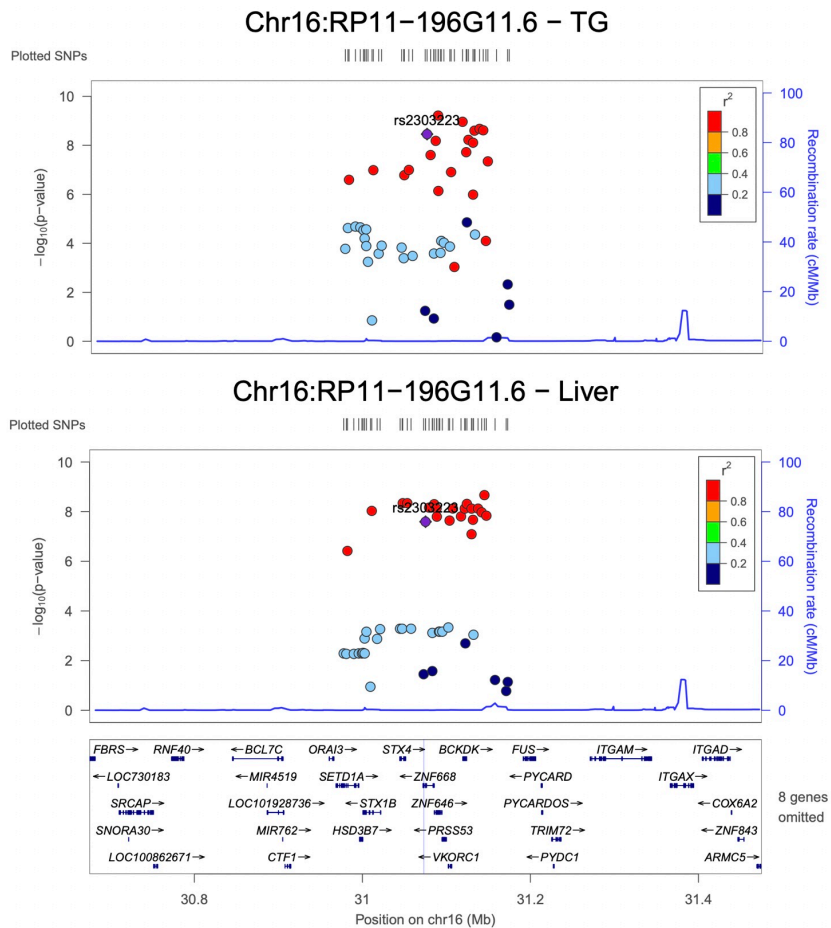
Supplementary Figure 7. Local association plots for lipids (top) and gene expression (bottom) for the TWAS-significant novel locus *XXbac-BPG181B23.7* on chromosome 6. Y-axis on these LocusZoom plots indicates $-\log P$ values from: (top) GWAS of TC (two-sided linear regression) in GLGC, and (bottom) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in liver tissue from GTEx v8. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *XXbac-BPG181B23.7* was significant at the Bonferroni threshold from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



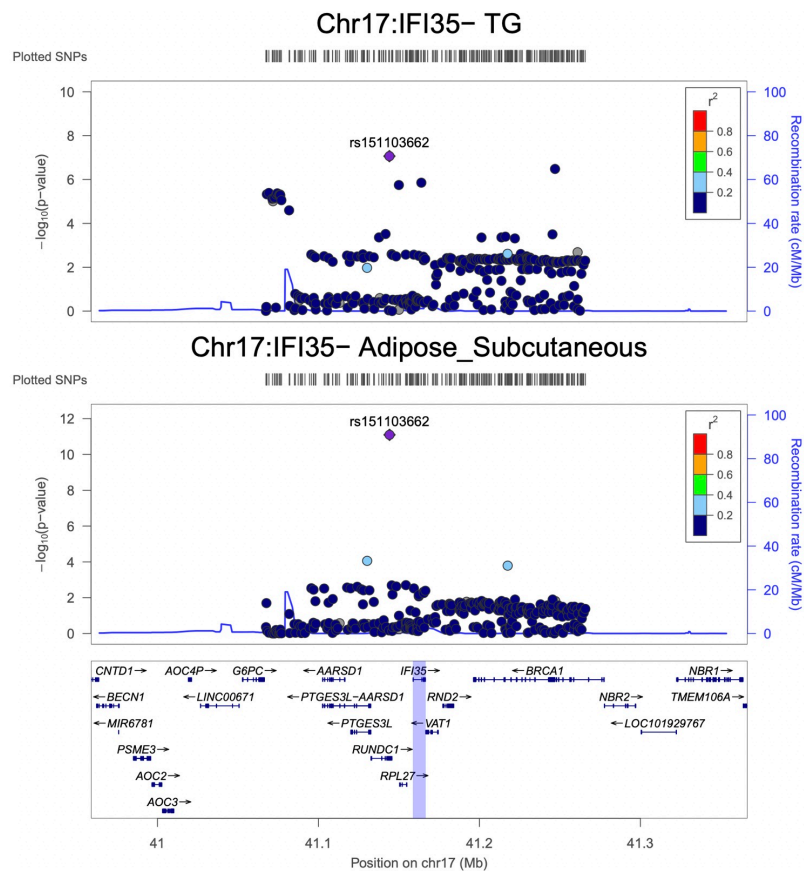
Supplementary Figure 8. Local association plots for lipids (top and middle) and gene expression (bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel locus *SDCBP* on chromosome 8. Y-axis on these LocusZoom plots indicates $-\log P$ values from: (top) GWAS of LDL (two-sided linear regression) in UKB, (middle) GWAS of TC (two-sided linear regression) in UKB, and (bottom) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in whole blood tissue from GTEx v8. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *SDCBP* was significant at the Bonferroni threshold from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



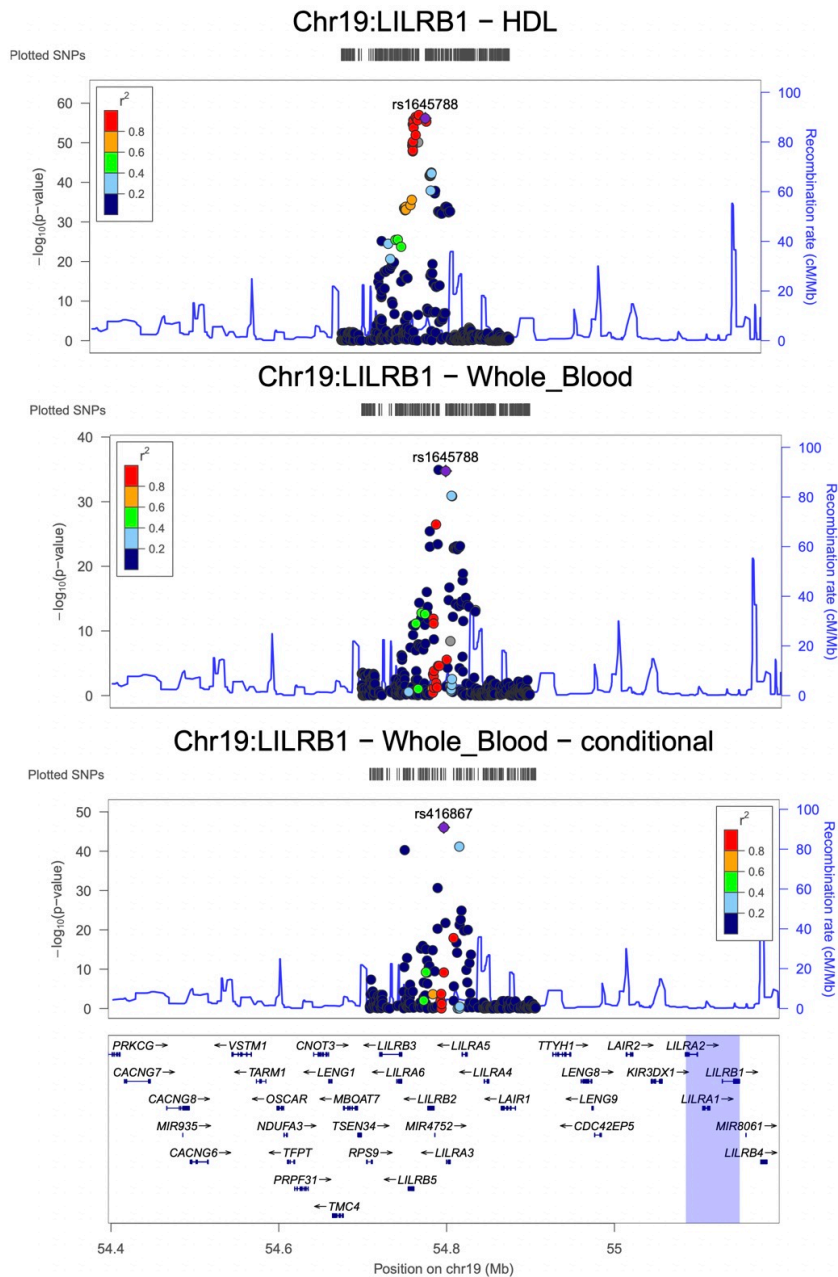
Supplementary Figure 9. Local association plots for lipids (top and middle) and gene expression (bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel locus *DNAH10OS* on chromosome 12. Y-axis on these LocusZoom plots indicates $-\log P$ values (y-axis) from: (top) GWAS of HDL (two-sided linear regression) in GERA, (middle) GWAS of TG (two-sided linear regression) in GLGC, and (bottom) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in adipose visceral omentum tissue from GTEx v8. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *DNAH10OS* was Bonferroni-significant from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



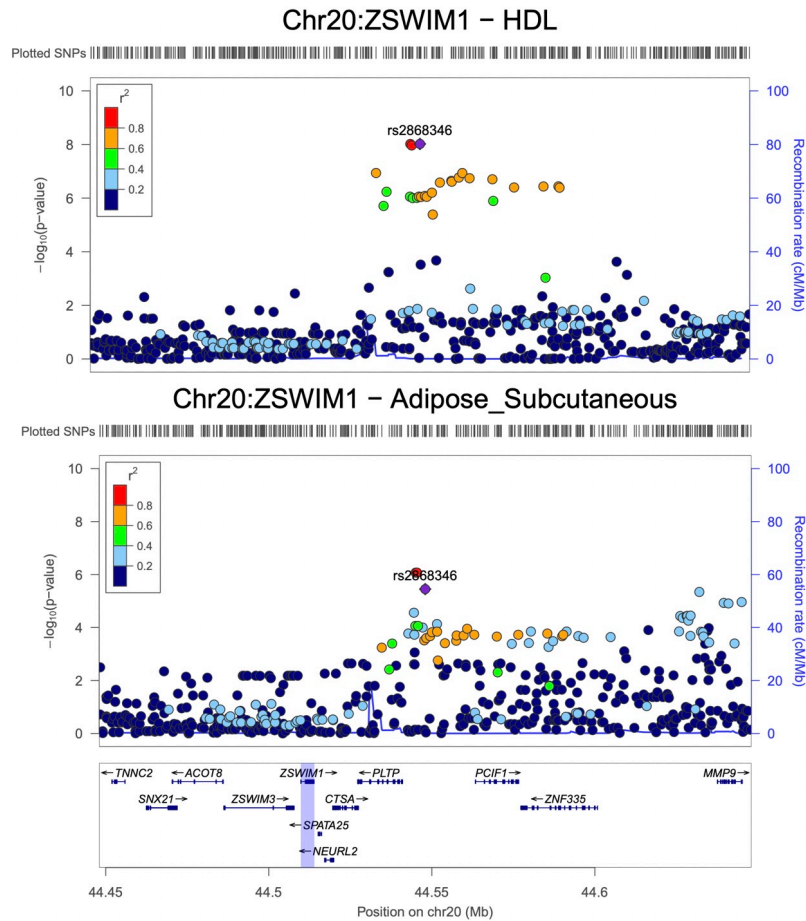
Supplementary Figure 10. Local association plots for lipids (top) and gene expression (bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel locus *RP11-196G11.6* on chromosome 16. Y-axis indicates $-\log P$ values from: (top) GWAS of TG (two-sided linear regression) in GLGC, and (bottom) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in liver tissue from GTEx v8 (bottom). X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *RP11-196G11.6* was significant at the Bonferroni threshold from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



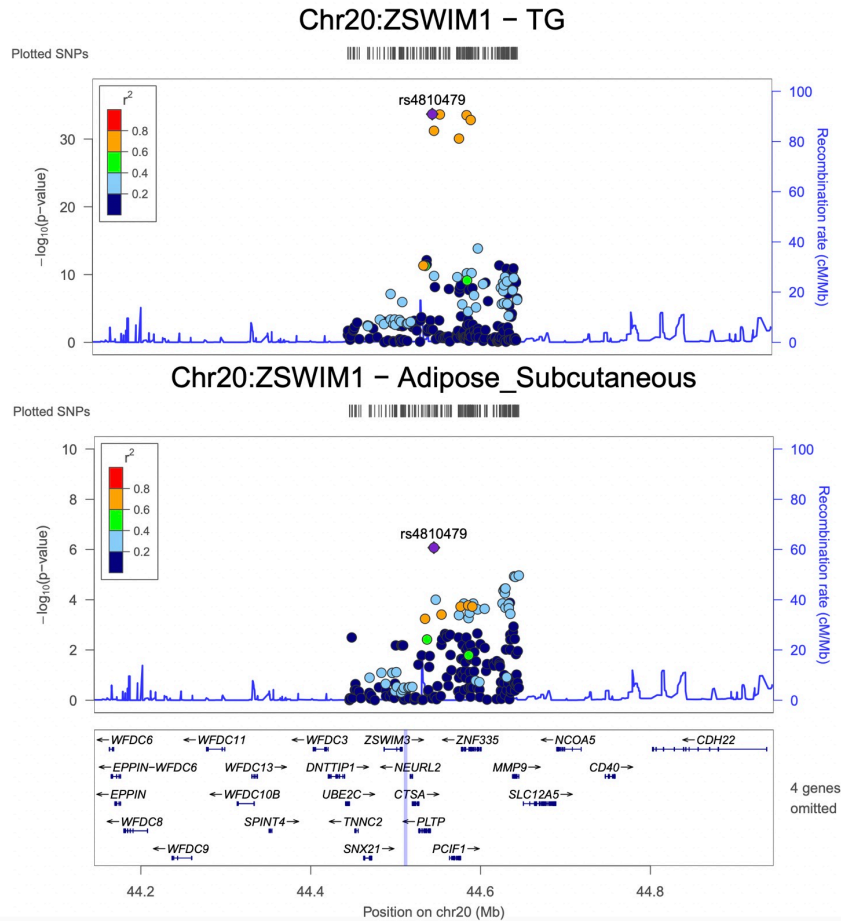
Supplementary Figure 11. Local association plots for lipids (top) and gene expression (bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel locus *IFI35* on chromosome 17. Y-axis on these LocusZoom plots indicates $-\log P$ values from: (top) GWAS of TG (two-sided linear regression) in UKB, and (bottom) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in adipose subcutaneous tissue from GTEx v8. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *RP11-196G11.6* was significant at the Bonferroni threshold from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



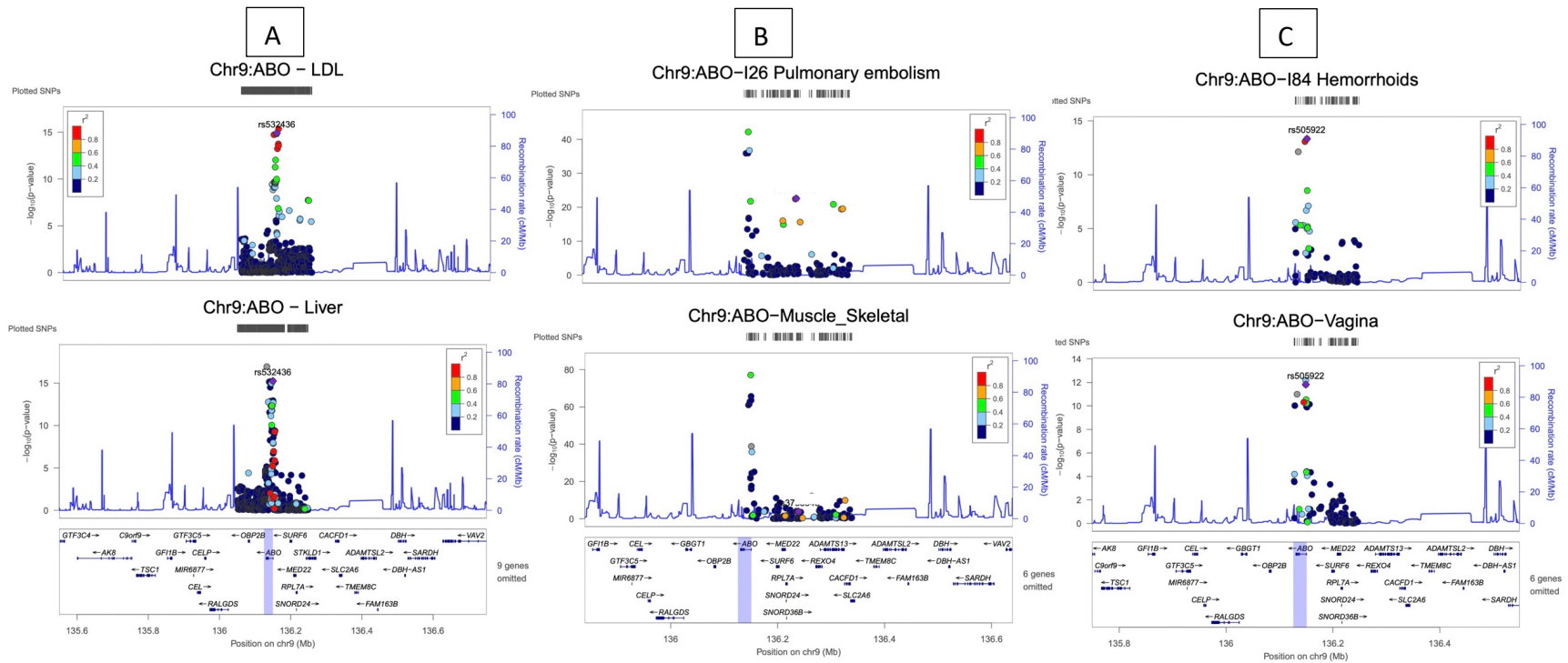
Supplementary Figure 12. Local association plots for lipids (top) and gene expression (middle and bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel locus *LILRB1* on chromosome 19. Y-axis indicates $-\log_{10}(p\text{-value})$ values from: (top) GWAS (two-sided linear regression) of HDL in UKB, (middle) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in whole blood tissue from GTEx v8 and (bottom) conditional p-values after conditioning on the top eQTL at the locus. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *LILRB1* was significant at the Bonferroni threshold from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



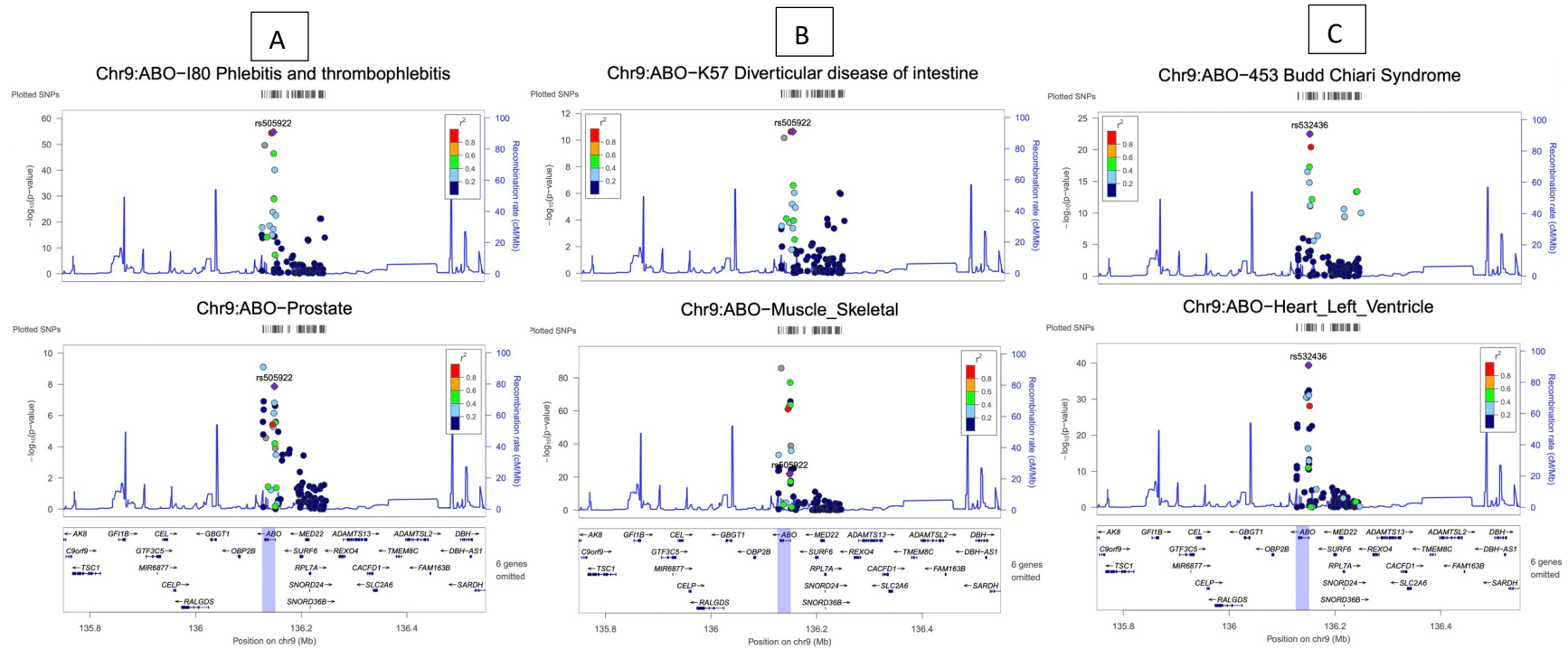
Supplementary Figure 13. Local association plots for lipids (top) and gene expression (bottom) for the lipid TWAS-significant novel locus *ZSWIM1* on chromosome 20. Y-axis on these LocusZoom plots indicates $-\log P$ values from: (top) GWAS (two-sided linear regression) of HDL in eMERGE, and (bottom) all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) in adipose subcutaneous tissue from GTEx v8. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *ZSWIM1* was Bonferroni-significant from lipid TWAS (Phase I).



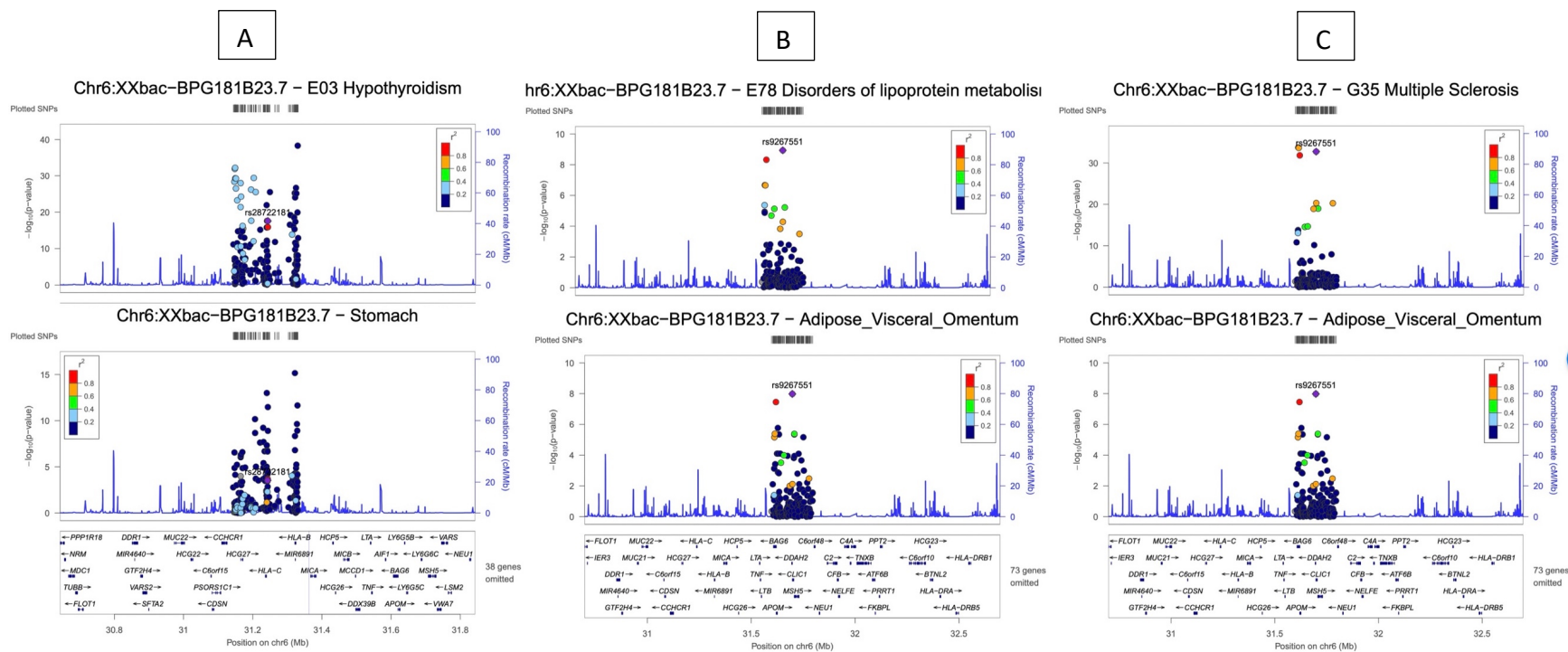
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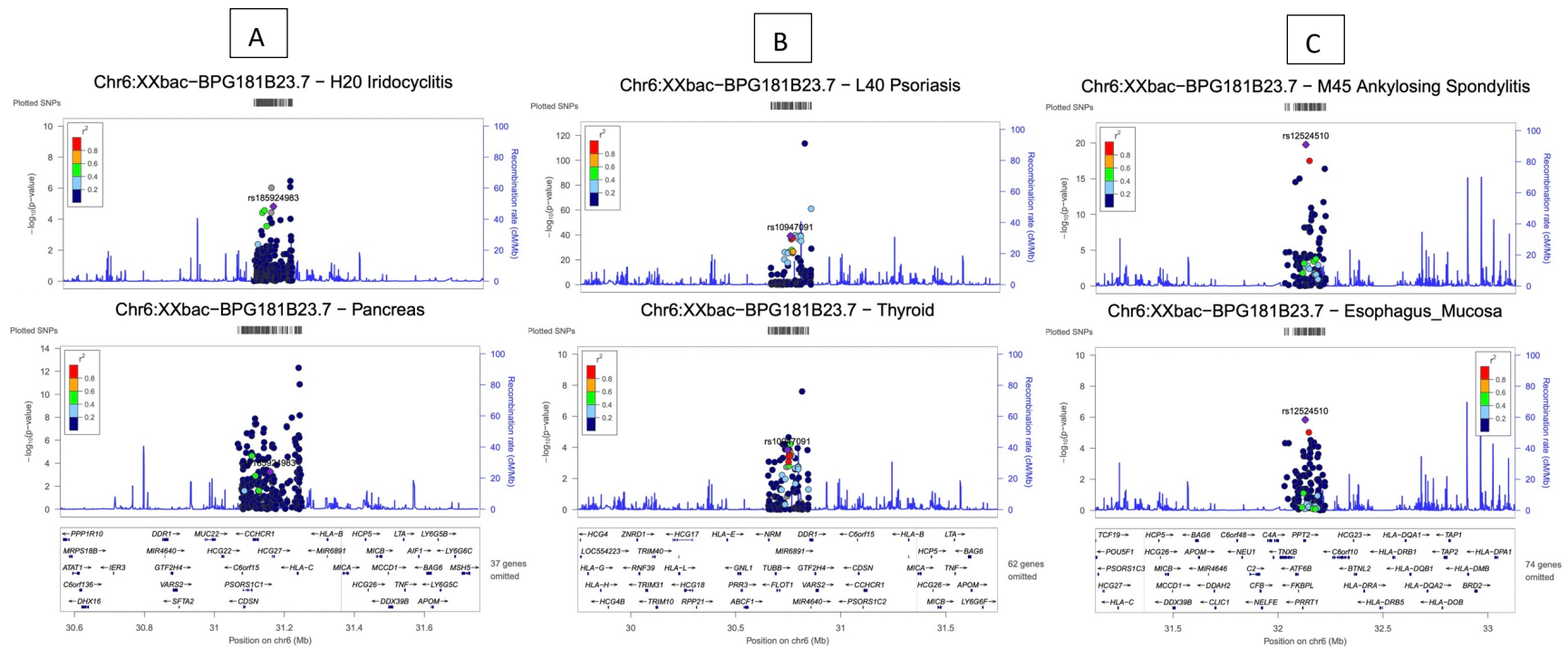
Supplementary Figure 15. Local association plots for lipids/diseases (top) and gene expression from GTEx v8 (bottom) for the lipid TWAS- and Xpress-PheWAS-significant locus *ABO* on chromosome 9. In (A) Y-axis shows $-\log P$ values from GWAS (two-sided linear regression) on the top whereas in (B) and (C) Y-axis shows $-\log P$ values from lipid-guided PheWAS (two-sided logistic regression) on the top; in all plots, Y-axis shows all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) for *VARS2* across tissues of interest on the bottom, specifically, (A) GWAS of LDL in UKB (top), and liver tissue (bottom); (B) Pulmonary embolism in UKB (top), and muscle skeletal tissue (bottom); and (C) Haemorrhoids in UKB (top), and vagina tissue (bottom). X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). *ABO* was significant at the Bonferroni threshold from both lipid TWAS (Phase I) and Xpress-PheWAS (Phase II).



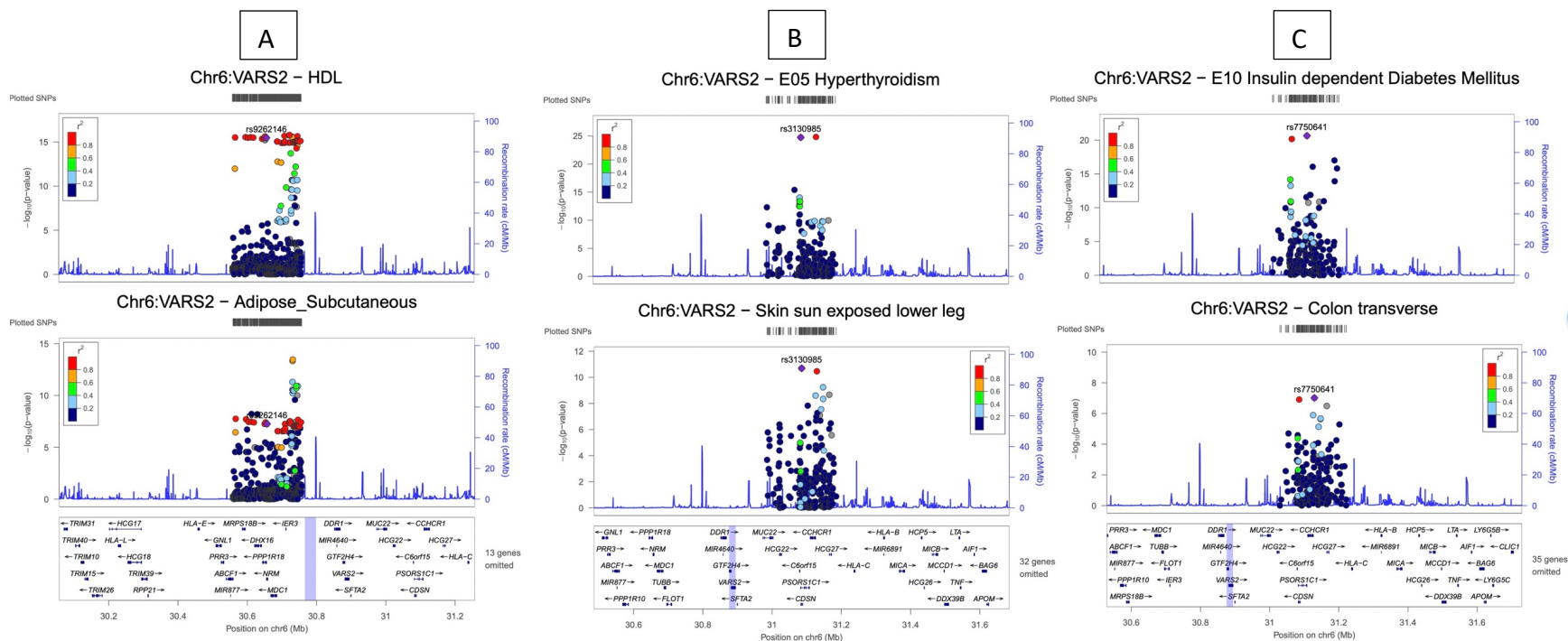
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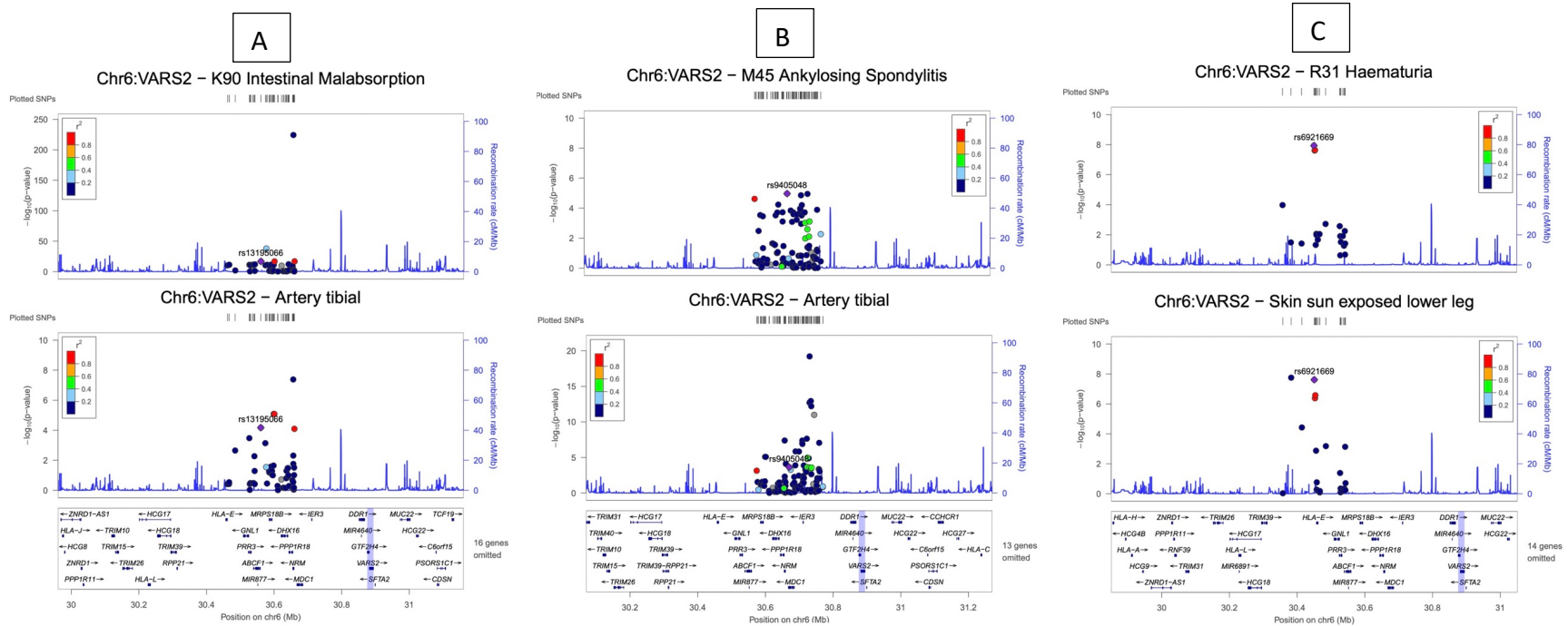
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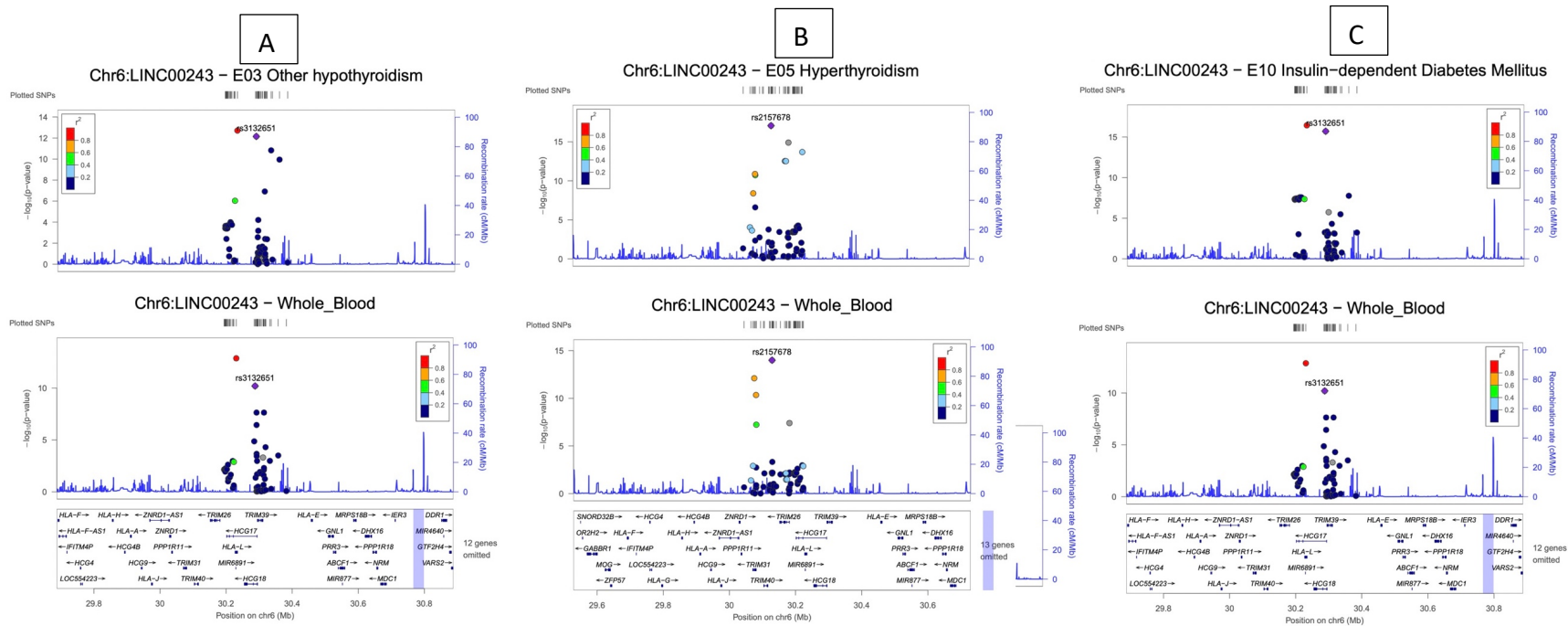
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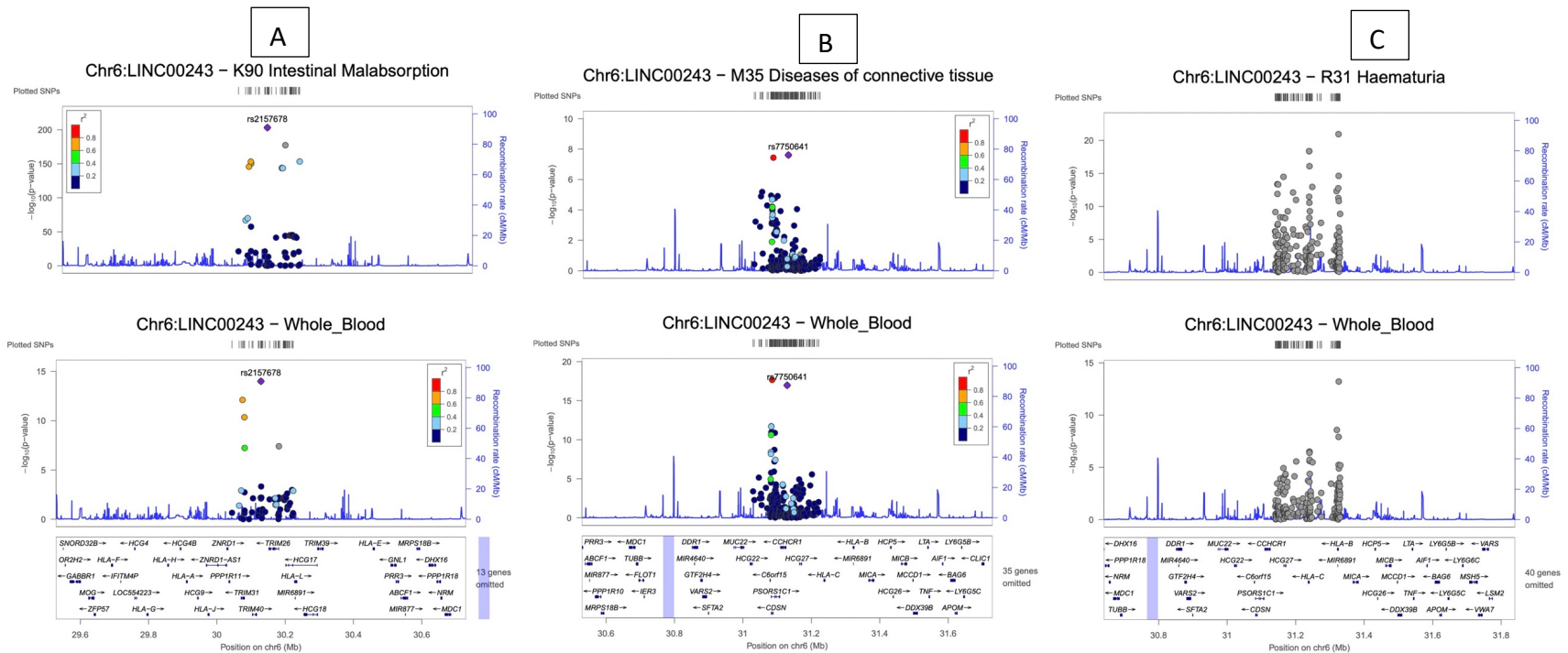
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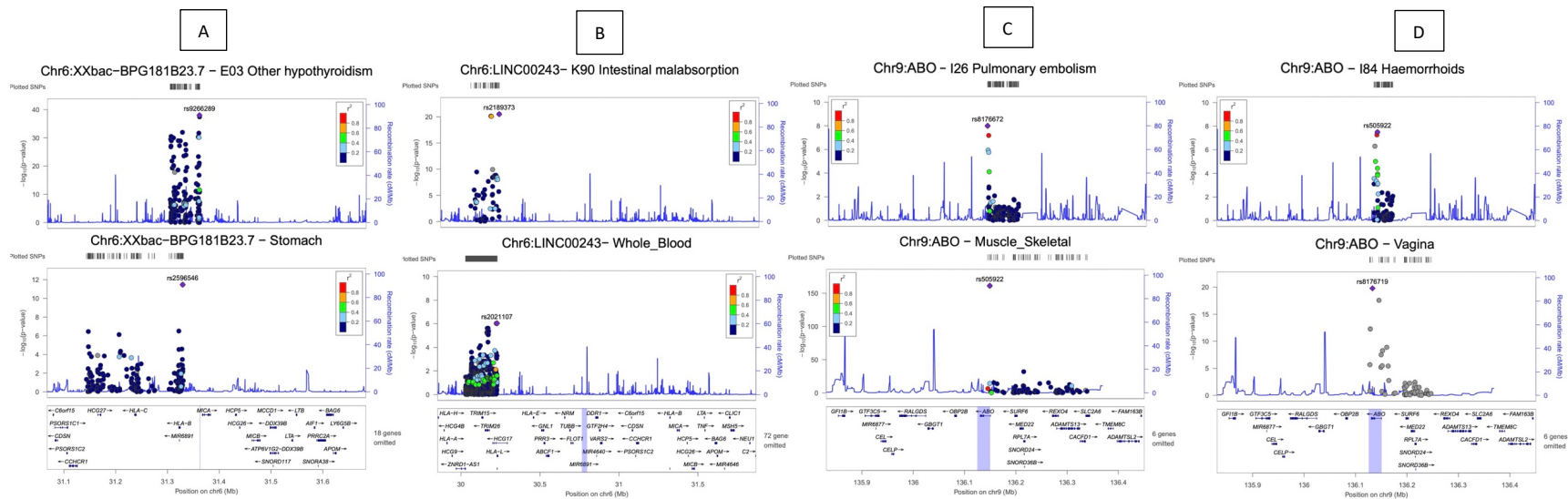
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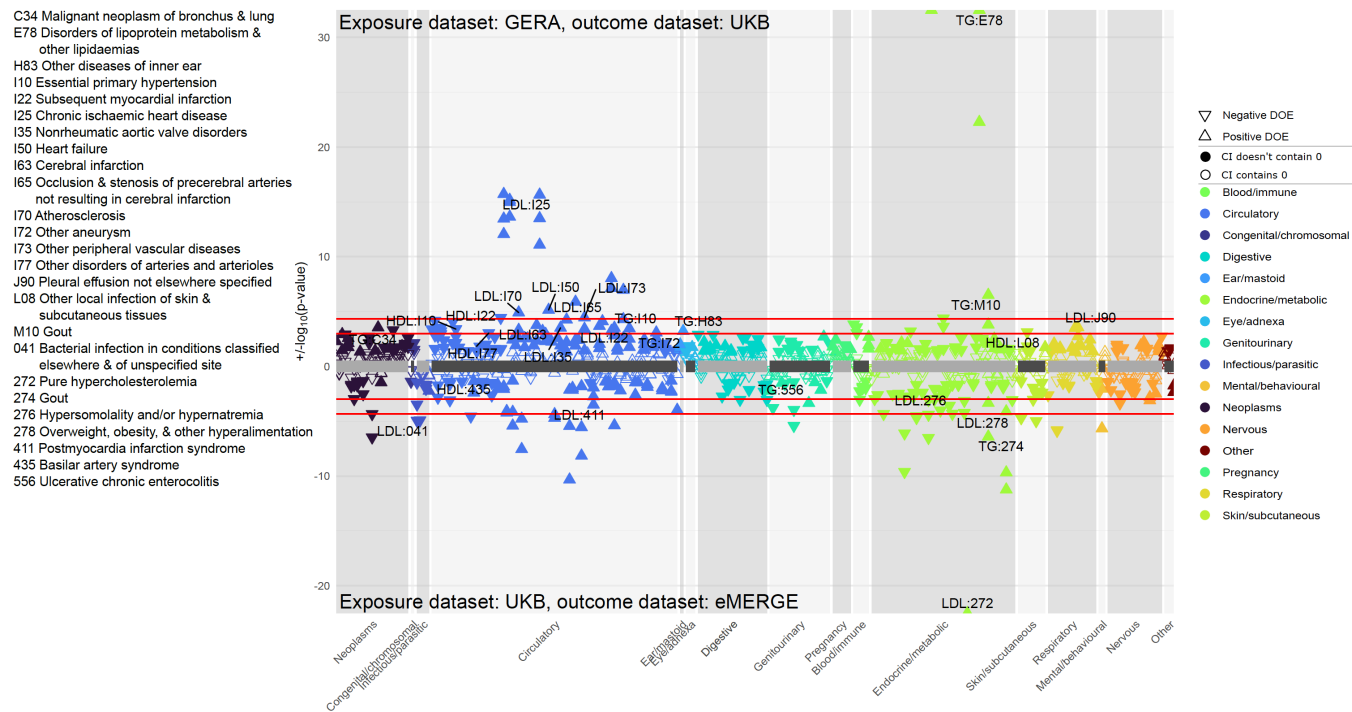
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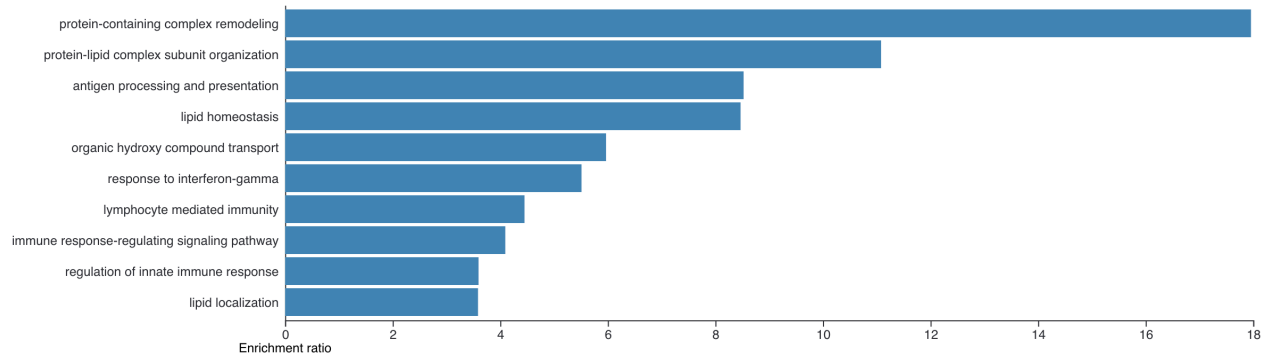
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Supplementary Figure 23. Local association plots for diseases from UKB (top) and gene expression from GTEx v8 (bottom) conditional on the top eQTL at the locus to reveal “secondary” signals. In all plots Y-axis shows $-\log P$ values from lipid-guided PheWAS (two-sided logistic regression) at the top and all variant-gene cis-eQTL associations (two-sided linear regression) after conditioning on the top-eQTL at the locus at the bottom; specifically, (A) Other hypothyroidism in UKB (top), and stomach tissue (bottom) for the locus *XXbac-BPG181B23.7* on chromosome 6; (B) Intestinal malabsorption in UKB (top), and whole blood tissue (bottom) for the locus *LINC00243* on chromosome 6; (C) Pulmonary embolism in UKB (top) and muscle skeletal tissue (bottom) for the locus *ABO* on chromosome 9, and (D) Haemorrhoids in UKB (top), and vagina tissue (bottom) for the locus *ABO* on chromosome 9. X-axis shows physical position on the chromosome (Mb). All three genes were significant at the Bonferroni threshold from both lipid TWAS (Phase I) and Xpress-PheWAS (Phase II).



Supplementary Figure 24. Two sample univariable Mendelian randomization excluding the *HLA* region on chromosome 6. Top panel: Exposure dataset is GERA and outcome dataset is UKB. Bottom panel: Exposure dataset is UKB and outcome dataset is eMERGE. The diseases are grouped into different categories; direction of triangle corresponds to direction of MR effect. In each panel, the two red horizontal lines correspond to the Bonferroni and FDR thresholds. We label FDR-significant ICD codes from at least one of three two-sided tests (inverse-variance weighted, Egger, and median-based) with Egger pleiotropy (intercept) p-value > 0.05 as evidence of minimal heterogeneity. Filled points have confidence intervals that don't contain 0 whereas non-filled points have confidence intervals that contain 0.



Supplementary Figure 25. Results (FDR<0.05) from over-representation analysis for Bonferroni-significant genes detected from Xpress-PheWAS.