

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

25 novel loci for carotid intima-media thickness: a genome-wide association study in >45,000 individuals and meta-analysis of >100,000 individuals

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CVD risk factors measurements in UK Biobank

Cholesterol and triglyceride were measured using enzymatic assays; High density lipoprotein cholesterol (HDL-C) was measured using an enzyme Immuno-inhibition method while low density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) was measured using an enzymatic selective protection method¹²¹. Cholesterol/LDL-C levels of individuals with cholesterol lowering medication at time of inclusion were adjusted by dividing by 0.8/0.7 respectively.

Systolic and diastolic blood pressure were measured twice at a sitting position during participants' visits to assessment centers. The measurements were done first with an automated blood pressure device (Omron 705 IT electronic blood pressure monitor; OMRON Healthcare Europe B.V. Kruisweg 577 2132 NA Hoofddorp) (Field ID 4079, 4080)¹²²; In case of unsuccessful automatic measurements, the blood pressures were manually measured by trained nurses (Field ID 93, 94). The average of multiple available measurements was taken as the blood pressure for each participant.

eQTL colocalization analysis with summary data based Mendelian randomization (SMR)

To prioritize genes identified in GWAS, we performed SMR analysis (version 0.710) to test for association between the expression level of each gene and cIMT by using the top-associated expression quantitative trait locus (eQTL) as an instrumental variable¹²³. We conducted SMR analysis using the GTEx dataset (v7) but only on tissues relevant to cIMT, namely artery aorta, artery coronary and artery tibial²⁵. Genes with p-value (P_{SMR}) passing Bonferroni-corrected thresholds, which was corrected based on the number of genes tested, were submitted to HETerogeneity In Dependent Instruments (HEIDI) test. Genes significant at SMR analysis and not rejected by HEIDI test ($P_{HEIDI} >$ tissue specific Bonferroni-corrected thresholds).

Gene expression analysis in single-cell RNA-sequencing data in human carotid atherosclerotic plaques

The expression levels genes prioritized in GWAS along with other bioinformatic analyses were explored in a RNA-sequencing dataset of carotid artery plaque tissues from 38 patients on a single-cell level with a total of 6191 cells¹⁰². Analysis was done using PlaqView¹²⁴.

Gene prioritization with DEPICT

we used the bioinformatic tool DEPICT (v1.1beta, obtained from <https://data.broadinstitute.org/mpg/depict/>) to identify candidate causal genes whilst taking gene-gene similarities and LD structures between loci into consideration¹²⁵. Variants at a P-value threshold of $P < 1 \times 10^{-8}$ were submitted to this analysis.

Table S1. Clinical characteristics of the study population at imaging visit

Characteristics	All	Men	Women
N	45185	21827	23358
Age (years), mean (SD)	64.68 (7.72)	65.41 (7.81)	64.01 (7.56)
Sex (men)	21827 (48.3%)		
BMI (kg/m ²), mean (SD)	26.52 (4.38)	26.97 (3.89)	26.09 (4.76)
LDL-C in mmol/l, median (IQR) *	3.54 (3.00,4.11)	3.54 (2.99, 4.10)	3.54 (3.01, 4.13)
HDL-C in mmol/l, median (IQR) *	1.43 (1.20,1.70)	1.26 (1.09, 1.48)	1.60 (1.37,1.86)
Cholesterol in mmol/l, median (IQR)*	5.68 (4.98, 6.42)	5.56 (4.85, 6.28)	5.79 (5.11, 6.55)
Triglyceride in mmol/l, median (IQR)*	1.40 (0.99, 2.02)	1.63 (1.15, 2.35)	1.22 (0.90, 1.72)
Blood pressure (mm Hg), mean (SD)			
Systolic	134.43 (17.96)	140.18 (16.15)	129.01 (17.88)
Diastolic	79.24 (8.54)	81.7 (8.15)	76.92 (8.24)
cIMT _{min} (mm), mean (SD)	0.58 (0.11)	0.6 (0.12)	0.57 (0.1)
cIMT _{mean} (mm), mean (SD)	0.69 (0.03)	0.71 (0.14)	0.67 (0.11)
cIMT _{max} (mm), mean (SD)	0.8 (0.15)	0.83 (0.16)	0.77 (0.13)
Ethnicity			
White	43775 (96.9%)	21123 (96.8%)	22652 (97.0%)
Asian	612 (1.4%)	356 (1.6%)	256 (1.1%)
Black	291 (0.6%)	138 (0.6%)	153 (0.7%)
Mixed	215 (0.5%)	77 (0.4%)	138 (0.6%)
Other/Unknown	292 (0.6%)	133 (0.6%)	159 (0.7%)
Current smoker	3165 (7.0%)	1814 (8.3%)	1348 (5.8%)
Hypertension	15384 (34.0%)	8616 (39.5%)	6157 (26.4%)
Hyperlipidemia	12763 (28.2%)	8082 (37.0%)	4681 (20.0%)
Abdominal aortic aneurysm	146 (0.3%)	127 (0.6%)	19 (0.1%)
Cerebral infarction	367 (0.8%)	253 (1.2%)	114 (0.5%)
Coronary artery disease	2718 (6.0%)	2073 (9.5%)	645 (2.8%)
Peripheral artery disease	490 (1.1%)	281 (1.3%)	209 (0.9%)

* Measurements collected at the baseline visit.

Table S2. Variable definitions used in the UK Biobank

Variable	ICD-9	ICD-10	OPCS-4	Self-reported fields
Abdominal aortic aneurysm	4414,4413,44102	I714, I713	L183, L184, L185, L186, L193, L194, L195, L196, L271, L272, L275, L281, L282, L464	20002(1492, 1591, 1592), 20004(1104)
Coronary artery disease	414, 410, 412	I24, I25, Z955, I21, I22, I23, I252, Z951	K40, K41, K42, K43, K44, K45, K46, K49, K50, K75	20002(1075), 20004(1070, 1095, 1523)
Ischemic stroke	434	I63, I693, G951, H341, H342		20002(1583)
Hypertension	402, 403, 404, 405, 401	I11, I12, I13, I15, O10, I10		20002(1065, 1072)
Hyperlipidemia	272	E78		20002(1473)
Peripheral artery disease in extremities (include aneurysms)	4439	I739	L37, L381, L383, L384, L391, L392, L395, L48, L49, L50, L51, L52, L53, L541, L542, L544, L56, L57, L58, L59, L60, L62, L631, L632, L635, L638, L639, L653	20002(1087, 1067), 20004(1102, 1103, 1108)
Cholesterol lowering medication				6177(1), 6153(1),20003

Variable definitions constructed using ICD-9, ICD-10 and OPCS-4 codes as well as self-reported data fields with disease- or procedure-specific codes between brackets are shown. Abbreviations: ICD, International Classification of Diseases; OPCS, Office of Population, Censuses and Surveys: Classification of interventions and Procedure

Table S3. Replication of loci from UK Biobank data in CHARGE/UCLEB consortia meta-analysis

#	SNP	EA	CIMT _{min}		CIMT _{mean}		CIMT _{max}		Proxy SNP	EA	I ²	Franceschini <i>et al</i>			consisten t
			Beta (SE)	P	Beta (SE)	P	Beta (SE)	P				Beta (SE)	P	N	
1*	rs222476	T	0.095 (0.017)	1.60E-08	0.086 (0.017)	2.70E-07	0.08 (0.017)	1.50E-06		T	0	-0.001 (0.0027)	8.16E-01	64611	n
2*	rs6744377	T	0.046 (0.008)	6.50E-09	0.039 (0.008)	3.20E-07	0.031 (0.008)	3.90E-05	rs14420646 9	D	17.7	0.003 (0.001)	3.41E-03	57141	y
3*	2:216300905 _ACCCG_A	ACC CG	-0.039 (0.006)	2.20E-09	-0.036 (0.006)	3.30E-09	-0.032 (0.006)	3.40E-07	rs1250237	T	0	0.0015 (0.0007)	3.69E-02	64953	y
4*	rs1553085	A	0.038 (0.006)	2.60E-09	0.038 (0.006)	6.00E-10	0.034 (0.006)	4.50E-08		A	14.7	0.001 (0.0008)	7.74E-02	58694	y
5*	rs6795735	C	0.039 (0.006)	9.90E-11	0.039 (0.006)	4.20E-11	0.035 (0.006)	3.90E-09		T	24.1	-0.003 (0.0007)	4.93E-06	58799	y
6*	rs10305838	T	-0.051 (0.009)	2.10E-10	-0.052 (0.008)	7.90E-11	-0.046 (0.008)	5.50E-09		T	20.0	-0.004 (0.001)	7.85E-05	68002	y
7*	rs4235201	G	-0.04 (0.007)	4.00E-09	-0.04 (0.007)	2.40E-09	-0.039 (0.007)	1.60E-08		T	0.0	0.003 (0.0009)	3.73E-03	57794	y
8	rs224805	A	0.096 (0.014)	4.70E-12	0.091 (0.013)	6.30E-12	0.079 (0.013)	2.20E-09		T	1.3	0.009 (0.0016)	8.07E-08	68010	y
9	rs310503	G	-0.035 (0.006)	1.60E-08	-0.038 (0.006)	3.80E-10	-0.037 (0.006)	2.10E-09		T	14.4	0.003 (0.0008)	7.27E-06	67971	y
10*	rs72801051	A	-0.043 (0.008)	1.30E-06	-0.046 (0.008)	3.90E-08	-0.043 (0.008)	6.00E-07		A	0.0	-0.001 (0.001)	4.44E-01	67974	y
11*	rs11242713	G	-0.037 (0.006)	5.70E-09	-0.036 (0.006)	2.20E-09	-0.034 (0.006)	5.10E-08		A	0.0	0.002 (0.0007)	6.62E-03	67107	y
12	rs342988	C	0.046 (0.007)	3.20E-12	0.052 (0.007)	1.70E-15	0.054 (0.007)	2.10E-16		T	7.4	-0.003 (0.0008)	1.53E-04	64995	y
13	rs3020263	G	0.056 (0.007)	2.20E-17	0.055 (0.007)	8.10E-18	0.049 (0.007)	9.30E-14		A	4.3	-0.004 (0.0008)	2.78E-08	68003	y
14	rs2980478	T	-0.042 (0.006)	2.70E-12	-0.041 (0.006)	4.10E-12	-0.039 (0.006)	1.10E-10	rs2945319	T	0.0	-0.0018 (0.0009)	5.66E-02	35439	y
15	rs11250097	T	0.045 (0.006)	2.10E-14	0.045 (0.006)	1.30E-14	0.041 (0.006)	2.00E-12		T	33.3	0.004 (0.0007)	8.36E-07	67107	y
16*	rs4739742	T	0.035 (0.006)	3.80E-09	0.032 (0.006)	4.80E-08	0.027 (0.006)	5.00E-06		T	9.0	0.002 (0.0008)	4.82E-03	57795	y
17	rs10110725	T	0.036 (0.006)	3.80E-09	0.037 (0.006)	6.10E-10	0.034 (0.006)	1.30E-08		A	36.1	-0.004 (0.0007)	2.35E-08	67996	y
18	rs6470156	G	-0.056 (0.007)	2.80E-17	-0.056 (0.007)	2.90E-17	-0.05 (0.007)	3.80E-14		A	0.0	0.003 (0.0008)	4.65E-04	67952	y

#	SNP	EA	CIMT _{min}		CIMT _{mean}		CIMT _{max}		Proxy SNP	EA	I ²	Franceschini et al		N	consistent
			Beta (SE)	P	Beta (SE)	P	Beta (SE)	P				Beta (SE)	P		
19*	rs10817556	C	-0.037 (0.006)	2.80E-09	-0.031 (0.006)	3.00E-07	-0.026 (0.006)	3.00E-05		T	0.0	0.002 (0.0007)	4.26E-03	64623	y
20*	rs11371318	G	-0.028 (0.006)	5.40E-06	-0.031 (0.006)	1.30E-07	-0.033 (0.006)	1.20E-08	rs7907935	T	20.8	-0.0011 (0.0007)	1.17E-01	58645	y
21	rs914279	T	0.039 (0.006)	4.10E-10	0.038 (0.006)	2.10E-10	0.033 (0.006)	2.60E-08		A	5.1	0.003 (0.0008)	4.44E-05	51484	y
22	rs2019090	A	0.041 (0.007)	1.10E-09	0.046 (0.006)	3.20E-12	0.046 (0.007)	3.80E-12		A	25.3	0.002 (0.0008)	4.55E-03	68937	y
23*	rs11172113	T	-0.042 (0.006)	4.90E-12	-0.038 (0.006)	2.60E-10	-0.03 (0.006)	1.40E-06		T	28.5	-0.003 (0.0008)	1.80E-04	60726	y
24*	rs61930625	C	-0.029 (0.007)	9.80E-06	-0.036 (0.007)	7.60E-08	-0.038 (0.007)	2.80E-08		T	0.0	0.001 (0.0008)	1.60E-01	62082	y
25	rs9515203	T	-0.059 (0.007)	2.90E-18	-0.059 (0.007)	1.50E-18	-0.056 (0.007)	9.70E-17		T	32.1	-0.004 (0.0009)	3.12E-06	61467	y
26*	rs2455925	T	0.066 (0.01)	6.80E-11	0.061 (0.01)	2.60E-10	0.05 (0.01)	3.00E-07		A	3.3	0.005 (0.0013)	3.54E-04	55625	y
27*	rs4774437	A	-0.031 (0.006)	8.60E-08	-0.034 (0.006)	3.00E-09	-0.032 (0.006)	1.70E-08		A	0.0	-0.003 (0.0007)	4.44E-05	65570	y
28	rs1808435	T	-0.044 (0.006)	9.00E-13	-0.044 (0.006)	1.30E-13	-0.04 (0.006)	2.30E-11		A	16.9	-0.004 (0.0007)	2.74E-07	67997	y
29*	rs7500448	A	0.037 (0.007)	6.10E-08	0.038 (0.007)	1.60E-08	0.035 (0.007)	5.60E-07		A	42.4	0.004 (0.0009)	1.71E-05	62395	y
30	rs488327	T	0.05 (0.006)	5.00E-16	0.049 (0.006)	1.00E-15	0.047 (0.006)	5.40E-14		T	51.7	0.004 (0.0009)	1.54E-06	48337	y
31*	rs12051555	A	-0.083 (0.011)	1.10E-14	-0.083 (0.011)	5.70E-15	-0.074 (0.011)	2.80E-12		A	0.0	-0.005 (0.0014)	7.80E-04	57795	y
32	rs112009052	T	-0.188 (0.026)	1.30E-12	-0.183 (0.026)	3.20E-12	-0.178 (0.026)	2.90E-11		A	0.0	0.01 (0.0032)	2.74E-03	56919	y
33	rs1065853	G	0.119 (0.011)	4.40E-27	0.126 (0.011)	4.70E-31	0.13 (0.011)	7.60E-32	rs7412	T	46.2	-0.0119 (0.0015)	1.01E-14	56530	y
34*	rs6120880	C	-0.038 (0.006)	5.70E-10	-0.035 (0.006)	4.30E-09	-0.033 (0.006)	5.90E-08		C	0.0	-0.003 (0.0007)	3.06E-04	68071	y
35*	rs5757983	C	-0.033 (0.006)	2.00E-08	-0.035 (0.006)	1.10E-09	-0.033 (0.006)	1.60E-08		C	9.5	-0.004 (0.0007)	5.29E-07	62319	y

Chr: Chromosome; EA: Effective allele; I²: Heterogeneity I² statistics in the meta-analysis; NEA: Non-effective allele; EAF: Effective allele frequency; #: Locus number; *: novel loci discovered in the current study. Proxy SNP rs144206469, rs1250237, rs2945319, rs7907935 and rs7412 are in high LD (R²>0.7) with lead SNP. Marked in bold: associations in CHARGE/UCLEB consortia meta-analysis with P < 0.05.

Table S4. Association results of previously reported cIMT loci not replicated in the current UK Biobank sample

SNP	Closest gene	Reported literature	Chr	Position	EA	EAF	cIMT _{min}		cIMT _{mean}		cIMT _{max}	
							Beta (SE)	P	Beta (SE)	P	Beta (SE)	P
rs201648240	LINC01717	Franceschini <i>et al.</i>	1	208953176								
rs6907215	AIG1	Franceschini <i>et al.</i>	6	143608968	C	0.39	0.024 (0.006)	2.20E- 04	0.023 (0.006)	2.80E- 04	0.019 (0.006)	4.00E- 03
rs13225723	PIK3CG	Franceschini <i>et al.</i>	7	106416467	G	0.89	-0.046 (0.011)	8.50E- 06	-0.041 (0.011)	8.10E- 05	-0.034 (0.011)	1.30E- 03
rs11196033	VT11A	Franceschini <i>et al.</i>	10	114410998	C	0.50	0.002 (0.006)	6.60E- 01	0.001 (0.006)	8.70E- 01	-0.002 (0.006)	8.00E- 01
rs11025608	PRMT3, SLC6A5	Strawbridge <i>et al.</i>	11	20554790	G	0.45	-0.022 (0.006)	5.30E- 04	-0.023 (0.006)	3.00E- 04	-0.023 (0.006)	3.00E- 04

Four of five loci was reported in a meta-analysis by Franceschini *et al.*¹², one of which was not found in current results; the additional locus not replicated was reported in Strawbridge *et al.*¹³ using a subset of current sample. Chr: Chromosome; EA: Effective allele; EAF: Effective allele frequency.

Table S5. Lead variants in loci associated with $cIMT_{min}$

SNP	Chr	Position	EA	NEA	EAF	Beta	SE	P	Region	Closest gene
rs222476	2	42659267	T	C	0.03	0.095	0.017	1.60E-08	p21	COX7A2L,KCNG3
rs6744377	2	102069748	T	A	0.184	0.046	0.008	6.50E-09	q11.2	RFX8
2:216300905_ACCCG_A	2	216300905	ACCCG	A	0.463	-0.039	0.006	2.20E-09	q35	FN1
rs1553085	3	21976118	A	G	0.33	0.038	0.006	2.60E-09	p24.3	ZNF385D
rs6795735	3	64705365	C	T	0.582	0.039	0.006	9.90E-11	p14.1	ADAMTS9
rs10305838	4	148400256	T	C	0.855	-0.051	0.009	2.10E-10	q31.22	EDNRA
rs188848834	4	174681501	C	T	0.748	-0.04	0.007	3.30E-09	q34.1	HAND2
rs224805	5	81683739	A	G	0.051	0.096	0.014	4.70E-12	q14.2	ATP6AP1L
rs310503	5	82891552	G	T	0.661	-0.035	0.006	1.60E-08	q14.2	VCAN
rs11242713	6	1668142	G	A	0.53	-0.037	0.006	5.70E-09	p25.3	GMDS
rs342988	7	35467026	C	T	0.278	0.046	0.007	3.20E-12	p14.2	TBX20
rs2912062	8	6485295	C	G	0.704	0.056	0.007	1.30E-17	p23.1	MCPH1
rs2980478	8	8088230	T	C	0.527	-0.042	0.006	2.70E-12	p23.1	ZNF705B
rs10096511	8	10810451	A	G	0.472	0.046	0.006	9.30E-15	p23.1	XKR6
rs4739742	8	81308435	T	C	0.558	0.035	0.006	3.80E-09	q21.13	ZBTB10
8:123413770_GA_G	8	123413770	GA	G	0.545	0.036	0.006	2.60E-09	q24.13	ZHX2
rs6470156	8	124579985	G	A	0.721	-0.056	0.007	2.80E-17	q24.13	FBXO32
rs10817556	9	116775859	C	T	0.661	-0.037	0.006	2.80E-09	q32	ZNF618
rs914279	10	30170487	T	G	0.416	0.039	0.006	4.10E-10	p11.23	JCAD
rs2019090	11	103668962	A	T	0.294	0.041	0.007	1.10E-09	q22.3	PDGFD
rs11172113	12	57527283	T	C	0.59	-0.042	0.006	4.90E-12	q13.3	STAT6,LRP1
rs9515203	13	111049623	T	C	0.741	-0.059	0.007	2.90E-18	q34	COL4A2
rs2455925	15	48893649	T	C	0.906	0.066	0.01	6.80E-11	q21.1	FBN1
rs35633915	16	75408954	T	TA	0.411	-0.044	0.006	8.20E-13	q23.1	CFDP1
rs488327	16	88989005	T	C	0.662	0.05	0.006	5.00E-16	q24.3	CBFA2T3
rs12051555	17	12447601	A	C	0.917	-0.083	0.011	1.10E-14	p12	MYOCD
rs112009052	19	41099501	T	A	0.986	-0.188	0.026	1.30E-12	q13.2	SHKBP1,LTBP4
rs1065853	19	45413233	G	T	0.921	0.119	0.011	4.40E-27	q13.32	TOMM40,APOE,APOC1
rs6120880	20	33829406	C	G	0.568	-0.038	0.006	5.70E-10	q11.22	EDEM2,MMP24
rs5757983	22	40920236	C	G	0.468	-0.033	0.006	2.00E-08	q13.2	MRTFA

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Table S6. Lead variants in loci associated with $cIMT_{mean}$

SNP	Chr	Position	EA	NEA	EAF	Beta	SE	P	Region	Closest gene
2:216300905_ACCCG_A	2	216300905	ACCCG	A	0.463	-0.036	0.006	3.30E-09	q35	<i>FN1</i>
rs1553085	3	21976118	A	G	0.33	0.038	0.006	6.00E-10	p24.3	<i>ZNF385D</i>
rs6795735	3	64705365	C	T	0.582	0.039	0.006	4.20E-11	p14.1	<i>ADAMTS9</i>
rs10305838	4	148400256	T	C	0.855	-0.052	0.008	7.90E-11	q31.22	<i>EDNRA</i>
rs4235201	4	174677572	G	T	0.759	-0.04	0.007	2.40E-09	q34.1	<i>HAND2</i>
rs224805	5	81683739	A	G	0.051	0.091	0.013	6.30E-12	q14.2	<i>ATP6AP1L</i>
rs310503	5	82891552	G	T	0.661	-0.038	0.006	3.80E-10	q14.2	<i>VCAN</i>
rs72801051	5	142685670	A	T	0.84	-0.046	0.008	3.90E-08	q31.3	<i>NR3C1</i>
rs11242713	6	1668142	G	A	0.53	-0.036	0.006	2.20E-09	p25.3	<i>GMDS</i>
rs342988	7	35467026	C	T	0.278	0.052	0.007	1.70E-15	p14.2	<i>TBX20</i>
rs3020263	8	6487449	G	A	0.718	0.055	0.007	8.10E-18	p23.1	<i>MCPH1</i>
rs2980478	8	8088230	T	C	0.527	-0.041	0.006	4.10E-12	p23.1	<i>ZNF705B</i>
rs4314618	8	10816772	A	G	0.471	0.045	0.006	1.10E-14	p23.1	<i>XKR6</i>
rs9632837	8	81318125	C	G	0.578	0.033	0.006	3.10E-08	q21.13	<i>ZBTB10</i>
rs10110725	8	123415086	T	A	0.543	0.037	0.006	6.10E-10	q24.13	<i>ZHX2</i>
rs6470156	8	124579985	G	A	0.721	-0.056	0.007	2.90E-17	q24.13	<i>FBXO32</i>
rs914279	10	30170487	T	G	0.416	0.038	0.006	2.10E-10	p11.23	<i>JCAD</i>
rs796784254	11	103669291	T	TTATTGAA	0.295	0.046	0.006	3.00E-12	q22.3	<i>PDGFD</i>
rs11172113	12	57527283	T	C	0.59	-0.038	0.006	2.60E-10	q13.3	<i>STAT6,LRP1</i>
rs9515203	13	111049623	T	C	0.741	-0.059	0.007	1.50E-18	q34	<i>COL4A2</i>
15:48737340_CACATAT ATATAT_C	15	48737340	CACATA TATATA T	C	0.908	0.063	0.01	1.50E-10	q21.1	<i>FBN1</i>
rs4774437	15	62834113	A	G	0.543	-0.034	0.006	3.00E-09	q22.2	<i>TLN2</i>
rs1808435	16	75425819	T	C	0.411	-0.044	0.006	1.30E-13	q23.1	<i>CFDP1</i>
rs7500448	16	83045790	A	G	0.75	0.038	0.007	1.60E-08	q23.3	<i>CDH13</i>
rs488327	16	88989005	T	C	0.662	0.049	0.006	1.00E-15	q24.3	<i>CBFA2T3</i>
rs12051555	17	12447601	A	C	0.917	-0.083	0.011	5.70E-15	p12	<i>MYOCD</i>
rs112009052	19	41099501	T	A	0.986	-0.183	0.026	3.20E-12	q13.2	<i>SHKBP1,LTBP4</i>
rs1065853	19	45413233	G	T	0.921	0.126	0.011	4.70E-31	q13.32	<i>TOMM40,APOE, APOC1</i>

SNP	Chr	Position	EA	NEA	EAF	Beta	SE	P	Region	Closest gene
rs6120880	20	33829406	C	G	0.568	-0.035	0.006	4.30E-09	q11.22	<i>EDEM2,MMP24</i>
rs5757983	22	40920236	C	G	0.468	-0.035	0.006	1.10E-09	q13.2	<i>MRTFA</i>

Chr: Chromosome; EA: Effective allele; NEA: Non-effective allele; EAF: Effective allele frequency.

Table S7. Lead variants in loci associated with $cIMT_{max}$

SNP	Chr	Position	EA	NEA	EAF	Beta	SE	P	Region	Closest gene
rs7628630	3	21977337	G	A	0.329	0.034	0.006	4.20E-08	p24.3	<i>ZNF385D</i>
rs4611812	3	64699445	C	T	0.584	0.035	0.006	3.70E-09	p14.1	<i>ADAMTS9</i>
rs10305838	4	148400256	T	C	0.855	-0.046	0.008	5.50E-09	q31.22	<i>EDNRA</i>
rs4235201	4	174677572	G	T	0.759	-0.039	0.007	1.60E-08	q34.1	<i>HAND2</i>
rs224805	5	81683739	A	G	0.051	0.079	0.013	2.20E-09	q14.2	<i>ATP6AP1L</i>
rs310503	5	82891552	G	T	0.661	-0.037	0.006	2.10E-09	q14.2	<i>VCAN</i>
rs342988	7	35467026	C	T	0.278	0.054	0.007	2.10E-16	p14.2	<i>TBX20</i>
rs3020263	8	6487449	G	A	0.718	0.049	0.007	9.30E-14	p23.1	<i>MCPH1</i>
rs2980478	8	8088230	T	C	0.527	-0.039	0.006	1.10E-10	p23.1	<i>ZNF705B</i>
rs11250097	8	10811829	T	C	0.467	0.041	0.006	2.00E-12	p23.1	<i>XKR6</i>
rs10110725	8	123415086	T	A	0.543	0.034	0.006	1.30E-08	q24.13	<i>ZHX2</i>
rs6470156	8	124579985	G	A	0.721	-0.05	0.007	3.80E-14	q24.13	<i>FBXO32</i>
rs11371318	10	28230429	G	GAA	0.509	-0.033	0.006	1.20E-08	p12.1	<i>ARMC4</i>
rs2150562	10	30162423	A	G	0.311	0.037	0.006	7.40E-09	p11.23	<i>SVIL</i>
rs796784254	11	103669291	T	TTATTGAA	0.295	0.046	0.007	3.10E-12	q22.3	<i>PDGFD</i>
rs61930625	12	86167409	C	T	0.755	-0.038	0.007	2.80E-08	q21.31	<i>RASSF9</i>
rs9515203	13	111049623	T	C	0.741	-0.056	0.007	9.70E-17	q34	<i>COL4A2</i>
rs7176966	15	62817568	A	G	0.536	-0.033	0.006	1.30E-08	q22.2	<i>TLN2</i>
rs1808435	16	75425819	T	C	0.411	-0.04	0.006	2.30E-11	q23.1	<i>CFDP1</i>
rs488327	16	88989005	T	C	0.662	0.047	0.006	5.40E-14	q24.3	<i>CBFA2T3</i>
rs740854	17	12449192	A	G	0.915	-0.074	0.011	2.40E-12	p12	<i>MYOCD</i>
rs111689747	19	41333152	G	A	0.988	-0.189	0.028	2.10E-11	q13.2	<i>CYP2A6</i>
rs1065853	19	45413233	G	T	0.921	0.13	0.011	7.60E-32	q13.32	<i>TOMM40,APOE,APOC1</i>
rs369739453	20	32968411	CT	C	0.563	0.038	0.007	5.60E-09	q11.22	<i>ITCH</i>
rs5757983	22	40920236	C	G	0.468	-0.033	0.006	1.60E-08	q13.2	<i>MRTFA</i>

Chr: Chromosome; EA: Effective allele; NEA: Non-effective allele; EAF: Effective allele frequency.

Table S8. Variants identified by FINEMAP associated with $cIMT_{mean}$

#	Sentinel SNP	Chr	Position	Gene closest to sentinel SNP	Variants identified by FINEMAP	Gene closest to variants identified by FINEMAP	Coding variants (gene)
1	rs222476	2	42659267	<i>COX7A2L, KCNG3</i>	rs6736913	<i>EML4</i>	NP_061936.3: p.Lys283Gln/Glu/Ter (<i>EML4</i>)
2	rs6744377	2	102069748	<i>RFX8</i>	2:102054690_AT_A rs6543078	<i>RFX8</i> <i>RFX8</i>	XP_011510074.1:p.Tyr65Cys/Phe/Ser (<i>RFX8</i>)
3	2:216300905_AC CCG_A	2	216300905	<i>FN1</i>	2:216300905_ACC G_A	<i>FN1</i>	
4	rs1553085	3	21976118	<i>ZNF385D</i>	rs1553085	<i>ZNF385D</i>	
5	rs6795735	3	64705365	<i>ADAMTS9</i>	rs67311847 rs71300731	<i>ADAMTS9</i> <i>ADAMTS9</i>	
6	rs10305838	4	148400256	<i>EDNRA</i>	rs10305838	<i>EDNRA</i>	
7	rs4235201	4	174677572	<i>HAND2</i>	rs4235201	<i>HAND2</i>	
8	rs224805	5	81683739	<i>ATP6AP1L</i>	rs226208 rs224805 rs7702764	<i>ATP6AP1L</i> <i>ATP6AP1L</i> <i>ATP6AP1L</i>	
9	rs310503	5	82891552	<i>VCAN</i>	rs310503 rs1563553	<i>VCAN</i> <i>HAPLN1</i>	
10	rs72801051	5	142685670	<i>NR3C1</i>	rs258811 rs72801051	<i>ARHGAP26</i> <i>NR3C1</i>	NP_001018084.1:p.Asn766 Lys (<i>NR3C1</i>)
11	rs11242713	6	1668142	<i>GMDS</i>	rs11242713 rs9392347	<i>GMDS</i> <i>GMDS</i>	
12	rs342988	7	35467026	<i>TBX20</i>	rs342988	<i>TBX20</i>	
13	rs3020263	8	6487449	<i>MCPH1</i>	rs3020263	<i>MCPH1</i>	
14	rs2980478	8	8088230	<i>ZNF705B</i>	rs2980478	<i>ZNF705B</i>	
15	rs4314618	8	10816772	<i>XKR6</i>	rs4314618	<i>XKR6</i>	
16	rs9632837	8	81318125	<i>ZBTB10</i>	rs9632837	<i>ZBTB10</i>	
17	rs10110725	8	123415086	<i>ZHX2</i>	8:123413770_GA_G	<i>ZHX2</i>	
18	rs6470156	8	124579985	<i>FBXO32</i>	rs6470156	<i>FBXO32</i>	

#	SNP	Chr	Position	Gene closest to sentinel SNP	Variants identified by FINEMAP	Gene closest to variants identified by FINEMAP	Coding variants (gene)
19	rs10817556	9	116775859	<i>ZNF618</i>	rs10982031	<i>ZNF618</i>	NP_001304969.1:p.Tyr115Ter (<i>ZNF618</i>), NP_001304969.1:p.Cys299Ter/Trp (<i>ZNF618</i>)
20	rs11371318	10	28230429	<i>ARMC4</i>	rs11371318	<i>ARMC4</i>	NP_060546.2:p.Asn686Lys (<i>ARMC4</i>)
21	rs914279	10	30170487	<i>JCAD</i>	rs914279	<i>JCAD</i>	NP_065899.1:p.His668Gln (<i>JCAD</i>)
22	rs796784254	11	103669291	<i>PDGFD</i>	rs9337951 rs796784254	<i>JCAD</i> <i>PDGFD</i>	
23	rs11172113	12	57527283	<i>STAT6, LRP1</i>	rs36179007 rs11172113	<i>PDGFD</i> <i>LRP1</i>	NP_005529.1:p.Arg322Gln/Pro/Leu (<i>INHBC</i>)
24	rs61930625	12	86167409	<i>RASSF9</i>	rs7484541 rs17345028	<i>R3HDM2</i> <i>RASSF9</i>	
25	rs9515203	13	111049623	<i>COL4A2</i>	rs12429386 rs9515203	<i>COL4A1</i> <i>COL4A2</i>	
26	15:48737340_CA CATATATATAT_ C	15	48737340	<i>FBN1</i>	rs1678982	<i>FBN1</i>	
27	rs4774437	15	62834113	<i>TLN2</i>	rs12441323	<i>TLN2</i>	
28	rs1808435	16	75425819	<i>CFDP1</i>	rs4888367 rs35633915	<i>BCAR1</i> <i>CFDP1</i>	
29	rs7500448	16	83045790	<i>CDH13</i>	rs7500448 rs8059012	<i>CDH13</i> <i>CDH13</i>	
30	rs488327	16	88989005	<i>CBFA2T3</i>	rs488327	<i>CBFA2T3</i>	
31	rs12051555	17	12447601	<i>MYOCD</i>	rs4442861 rs12051555 rs35712872 rs12150137	<i>MAP2K4</i> <i>MYOCD</i> <i>MYOCD</i> <i>MYOCD</i>	
32	rs112009052	19	41099501	<i>SHKBP1, LTBP4</i>	rs112009052	<i>LTBP4</i>	

#	SNP	Chr	Position	Gene closest to sentinel SNP	Variants identified by FINEMAP	Gene closest to variants identified by FINEMAP	Coding variants (gene)
33	rs1065853	19	45413233	<i>TOMM40, APOE, APOC1</i>	rs1065853	<i>APOE</i>	NP_001289617.1:p.Arg202 Cys/Gly/Ser (<i>APOE</i>)
					rs56131196	<i>APOC1</i>	
34	rs6120880	20	33829406	<i>EDEM2, MMP24</i>	rs6120880	<i>MMP24</i>	
35	rs5757983	22	40920236	<i>MRTFA</i>	rs5757983	<i>MRTFA</i>	

Chr: Chromosome; #: Locus number. Coding variants (gene): coding variants that are in high LD ($r^2 > 0.8$) with the variant identified by FINEMAP.

Table S9. cIMT loci with sex difference

Chr	SNP	EAF _{female}	EAF _{male}	INFO	Beta _{female}	SE _{female}	P _{female}	Beta _{male}	SE _{male}	P _{male}	T _{int}	P _{sexdiff}	Gene
cIMT_{min}													
8	rs1834451	0.61	0.62	0.99	0.020	0.008	0.0096	0.069	0.010	7.3E-13	-3.98	6.81E-05	<i>MCPH1</i>
cIMT_{mean}													
8	rs12543564	0.67	0.67	0.97	0.020	0.008	0.0084	0.066	0.010	2E-11	-3.67	2.44E-04	<i>MCPH1</i>
8	rs71217283	0.58	0.59	0.91	-0.016	0.008	0.061	-0.058	0.010	2.2E-09	3.42	6.36E-04	<i>ZNF705B</i>
8	rs10100333	0.39	0.39	0.98	0.009	0.008	0.22	0.053	0.009	1.5E-08	-3.69	2.23E-04	<i>SOX7</i>
8	rs745379	0.50	0.49	1.00	0.008	0.008	0.33	0.053	0.009	7.8E-09	-3.87	1.09E-04	<i>GATA4, C8orf49</i>
14	rs1187729	0.58	0.59	1.00	-0.007	0.008	0.33	0.051	0.009	3.3E-08	-4.93	8.35E-07	<i>SYNE3</i>
cIMT_{max}													
5	rs7447467	0.51	0.51	0.99	-0.043	0.008	3.5E-08	-0.005	0.009	0.62	-3.27	1.08E-03	<i>HAPLN1</i>
8	rs71217283	0.58	0.59	0.91	-0.013	0.008	0.1	-0.058	0.010	1.9E-09	3.59	3.35E-04	<i>ZNF705B</i>
8	rs7005905	0.38	0.38	0.98	0.008	0.008	0.29	0.051	0.009	4.5E-08	-3.52	4.30E-04	<i>SOX7</i>
8	rs745379	0.50	0.49	1.00	0.008	0.008	0.31	0.051	0.009	2.6E-08	-3.64	2.71E-04	<i>GATA4, C8orf49</i>
17	rs80019927	0.75	0.75	0.95	-0.052	0.009	1.7E-08	-0.003	0.011	0.81	-3.54	3.96E-04	<i>MAP2K4</i>

Chr: Chromosome; EA: Effective allele; NEA: Non-effective allele; EAF: Effective allele frequency; Tint: t test statistics of the interaction analysis; P_{sexdiff}: P for sex interaction test.

Table S10. Cross-tissue TWAS associations at $P < 3.33 \times 10^{-6}$

Gene	Chr	CIMT _{min}		CIMT _{mean}		CIMT _{max}	
		Test score	P	Test score	P	Test score	P
ASAP2	2	13.66	8.32E-07	8.96	1.01E-04	5.00	6.52E-03
SH3RF3	2	6.37	1.20E-03	12.21	2.54E-06	11.00	9.03E-06
XRCC4	5	13.27	1.38E-06	14.74	3.08E-07	14.45	4.12E-07
MFHAS1	8	21.24	3.11E-10	20.75	5.03E-10	17.20	1.73E-08
ERI1	8	25.31	4.44E-12	23.25	2.43E-11	19.47	8.06E-10
PPP1R3B	8	21.37	3.98E-10	20.34	1.18E-09	16.11	9.26E-08
TNKS	8	17.13	2.12E-08	17.32	1.74E-08	14.99	2.06E-07
MSRA	8	19.04	2.30E-09	17.46	1.06E-08	14.17	3.22E-07
SOX7	8	156.95	8.40E-11	29.85	1.13E-13	23.04	1.03E-10
PINX1	8	359.34	1.81E-11	361.45	1.81E-11	311.12	1.81E-11
XKR6	8	223.65	2.18E-11	215.65	2.18E-11	186.46	2.19E-11
MTMR9	8	28.41	7.19E-13	28.97	4.35E-13	23.63	5.72E-11
SLC35G5	8	392.60	1.78E-11	384.30	1.78E-11	25.69	4.26E-12
C8orf12	8	17.10	1.67E-08	17.29	1.38E-08	15.03	1.37E-07
FAM167A	8	26.74	5.60E-12	27.95	2.09E-12	22.84	1.47E-10
BLK	8	84.07	1.10E-11	85.90	1.09E-11	29.99	4.11E-14
GATA4	8	18.11	1.43E-08	16.49	7.45E-08	14.31	6.82E-07
C8orf49	8	12.50	1.79E-06	13.39	7.27E-07	11.30	5.99E-06
NEIL2	8	16.59	1.24E-08	16.42	1.49E-08	13.11	5.22E-07
DEFB134	8	26.70	1.31E-12	28.99	1.37E-13	25.48	4.33E-12
FAM86B1	8	17.25	8.50E-09	18.08	3.76E-09	15.45	5.28E-08
FAM86B2	8	24.66	1.26E-11	29.00	3.79E-13	22.91	5.50E-11
GTF2E2	8	13.31	1.45E-06	12.21	4.66E-06	8.91	1.57E-04
SFRP5	10	13.16	2.02E-06	9.96	5.07E-05	8.84	1.60E-04
ARHGAP42	11	12.70	1.11E-06	15.46	6.03E-08	11.62	3.58E-06
TMEM133	11	10.05	1.73E-05	13.46	4.58E-07	10.73	8.61E-06
PDGFD	11	16.96	2.49E-08	24.11	1.82E-11	26.84	1.09E-12
COQ10A	12	21.33	5.40E-10	23.17	8.83E-11	18.64	7.46E-09
LRP1	12	30.64	5.44E-14	22.97	7.32E-11	12.39	3.12E-06
TLN2	15	13.02	1.41E-06	16.52	4.02E-08	13.41	9.47E-07
RFWD3	16	11.68	2.84E-06	10.03	1.57E-05	8.05	1.18E-04
LDHD	16	20.17	1.92E-09	19.30	4.44E-09	13.02	1.97E-06
BCAR1	16	28.98	6.60E-13	308.52	3.04E-11	22.41	1.34E-10
CFDP1	16	23.10	2.49E-11	421.76	2.12E-11	19.78	4.99E-10
TMEM170A	16	256.66	1.05E-11	274.30	1.05E-11	23.49	3.37E-11
CDH13	16	22.01	2.04E-10	26.97	1.38E-12	22.75	9.67E-11
MVD	16	19.01	3.87E-09	20.39	9.40E-10	15.77	1.04E-07
CBFA2T3	16	28.63	1.04E-13	27.85	2.27E-13	25.68	2.06E-12
KANK2	19	9.71	3.42E-05	12.39	2.28E-06	13.14	1.08E-06
PVRL2	19	10.76	1.43E-05	14.97	2.04E-07	16.36	5.07E-08
ZNF296	19	11.66	8.52E-06	16.71	6.78E-08	15.46	2.22E-07
DMPK	19	9.54	2.29E-05	12.25	1.44E-06	10.55	8.23E-06
DMWD	19	7.85	1.90E-04	11.92	2.71E-06	10.16	1.76E-05

Gene	Chr	CIMT _{min}		CIMT _{mean}		CIMT _{max}	
		Test score	<i>P</i>	Test score	<i>P</i>	Test score	<i>P</i>
<i>ZNF341</i>	20	11.33	7.34E-06	12.32	2.54E-06	11.08	9.55E-06
<i>ITCH</i>	20	12.46	3.82E-06	13.77	9.56E-07	13.47	1.32E-06
<i>MMP24</i>	20	14.07	4.79E-07	15.88	7.72E-08	13.80	6.27E-07
<i>FAM83C</i>	20	15.49	2.21E-08	13.73	1.46E-07	12.36	6.14E-07
<i>GDF5OS</i>	20	12.54	3.67E-06	12.36	4.42E-06	13.11	2.09E-06
<i>GDF5</i>	20	14.54	3.58E-07	13.76	8.32E-07	13.00	1.87E-06
<i>RBM12</i>	20	171.47	6.53E-11	184.61	2.97E-11	23.61	3.19E-11
<i>NFS1</i>	20	19.12	2.37E-09	20.02	9.11E-10	19.12	2.36E-09
<i>ST13</i>	22	12.90	1.57E-06	15.68	7.83E-08	13.22	1.12E-06
<i>EP300</i>	22	11.67	4.22E-06	14.83	1.33E-07	11.95	3.11E-06

The test statistics of 44 tissues was combined using the Generalized Berk-Jones test to derive the test score. Chr: Chromosome.

Table S11. Result of single-tissue TWAS in arterial tissues for $cIMT_{mean}$

Gene	Chromosome	$P_{artery\ aorta}$	$P_{artery\ coronary}$	$P_{artery\ tibial}$
<i>MRAS</i>	3	1.7E-05	1.0E-05	1.8E-06
<i>FER</i>	5	2.3E-06	1.3E-05	4.1E-05
<i>ERI1</i>	8	2.7E-08	3.4E-08	1.2E-10
<i>FAM167A</i>	8	2.0E-06	NA	NA
<i>FAM86B1</i>	8	1.9E-05	1.6E-07	1.5E-02
<i>FAM86B2</i>	8	2.0E-04	3.7E-08	3.2E-06
<i>MSRA</i>	8	4.1E-06	1.1E-08	6.0E-07
<i>NEIL2</i>	8	1.4E-05	4.3E-04	8.4E-08
<i>PINX1</i>	8	1.9E-01	NA	3.5E-12
<i>PPP1R3B</i>	8	NA	NA	9.0E-07
<i>SLC35G5</i>	8	1.7E-11	5.0E-08	1.1E-09
<i>SOX7</i>	8	2.1E-05	1.5E-03	1.4E-09
<i>SVIL</i>	10	1.2E-06	9.8E-02	6.8E-05
<i>ARHGAP42</i>	11	1.4E-07	3.7E-07	1.0E-07
<i>TMEM133</i>	11	7.8E-08	8.1E-08	6.4E-08
<i>LRP1</i>	12	7.1E-09	1.1E-08	1.6E-10
<i>TLN2</i>	15	3.5E-08	2.5E-05	1.6E-06
<i>BCAR1</i>	16	1.2E-12	1.0E-05	3.1E-12
<i>CBFA2T3</i>	16	1.1E-08	1.8E-05	6.7E-01
<i>CDH13</i>	16	8.1E-12	1.7E-07	2.3E-12
<i>CFDP1</i>	16	4.1E-01	6.1E-12	3.4E-06
<i>NDRG4</i>	16	2.4E-06	NA	2.4E-06
<i>ZNF469</i>	16	8.5E-01	6.7E-01	3.1E-06
<i>APOE</i>	19	6.3E-01	1.9E-07	1.7E-04
<i>DMPK</i>	19	1.1E-06	9.7E-07	9.4E-07
<i>DMWD</i>	19	3.1E-06	2.4E-06	1.9E-06
<i>RBM12</i>	20	1.6E-01	1.4E-09	6.1E-03
<i>ARVCF</i>	22	1.3E-06	7.6E-06	1.4E-05
<i>EP300</i>	22	NA	5.6E-07	8.7E-06
<i>ST13</i>	22	NA	1.6E-08	2.3E-01

Marked in bold: significant associations passing respective Bonferroni corrected thresholds.

Table S12. Genes associated with cIMT via SMR analysis of the cIMTmean GWAS summary statistics and the eQTL summary statistics from GTEx.

Probe ID	Chr	Gene	Top SNP	A1	A2	Freq	P_{GWAS}	P_{eQTL}	P_{SMR}	P_{HEIDI}
Artery Aorta										
ENSG00000253893.2	8	<i>FAM85B</i>	rs2945886	G	C	0.44094	1.50E-08	1.17E-14	6.82E-06	6.18E-02
ENSG00000197321.10	10	<i>SVIL</i>	rs10826719	A	G	0.58167	9.40E-10	2.56E-12	4.32E-06	4.41E-01
ENSG00000165895.13	11	<i>ARHGAP42</i>	rs604723	C	T	0.71758	1.10E-07	7.32E-21	3.22E-06	1.56E-01
ENSG00000170647.2	11	<i>TMEM133</i>	rs604723	C	T	0.71758	1.10E-07	4.25E-16	7.51E-06	2.08E-02
ENSG00000171914.10	15	<i>TLN2</i>	rs956006	T	C	0.33367	1.10E-08	8.39E-19	2.49E-06	4.61E-01
ENSG00000050820.12	16	<i>BCAR1</i>	rs4887824	C	T	0.58773	3.70E-13	3.00E-15	9.89E-08	6.98E-01
ENSG00000140945.11	16	<i>CDH13</i>	rs7500448	G	A	0.25238	1.60E-08	1.10E-14	5.77E-06	7.66E-01
Artery Coronary										
ENSG00000255310.2	8	<i>AF131215.2</i>	rs6996846	G	C	0.53497	6.40E-11	1.09E-09	1.10E-05	1.74E-01
ENSG00000170647.2	11	<i>TMEM133</i>	rs633185	C	G	0.71003	9.10E-08	1.58E-11	2.38E-05	9.10E-01
Artery Tibial										
ENSG00000253893.2	8	<i>FAM85B</i>	rs2955581	C	G	0.45954	1.00E-10	2.00E-20	1.37E-07	1.67E-01
ENSG00000255310.2	8	<i>AF131215.2</i>	rs2061830	G	C	0.48864	9.70E-12	8.48E-11	3.16E-06	6.16E-01
ENSG00000079459.8	8	<i>FDFT1</i>	rs1736057	A	G	0.57633	4.30E-09	1.44E-37	1.76E-07	1.97E-01
ENSG00000197321.10	10	<i>SVIL</i>	rs1571759	C	T	0.58211	7.40E-10	1.43E-19	3.80E-07	3.21E-01
ENSG00000165895.13	11	<i>ARHGAP42</i>	rs604723	C	T	0.71758	1.10E-07	1.82E-30	1.17E-06	6.21E-01
ENSG00000170647.2	11	<i>TMEM133</i>	rs604723	C	T	0.71758	1.10E-07	2.06E-34	8.91E-07	7.35E-01
ENSG00000123384.9	12	<i>LRP1</i>	rs11172113	C	T	0.40633	2.60E-10	1.92E-17	3.43E-07	1.91E-01
ENSG00000050820.12	16	<i>BCAR1</i>	rs3784935	G	T	0.59185	1.10E-11	2.06E-23	2.14E-08	1.80E-01

Chr: probe chromosome, A1: effect allele of the top SNP, A2: other allele; Freq: frequency of the A1 of the top SNP, P_{GWAS} : p-value from GWAS, P_{eQTL} : p-value from eQTL study, P_{SMR} : p-value from SMR analysis and P_{HEIDI} : p-value from HEIDI test. A total of 4705, 1975 and 6305 genes were tested in artery aorta, artery coronary and artery tibial tissues respectively. The corresponding significance levels (P_{SMR}) after correcting for multiple testing for SMR analyses were 1.06×10^{-5} , 2.53×10^{-5} and 7.93×10^{-6} respectively. The significance level for rejecting HEIDI test (P_{HEIDI}) were $0.05/8=0.00625$, $0.05/3=0.0167$ and $0.05/9=0.00556$ respectively; One gene RP11-252K23.2 on chromosome 16 was filtered out in all three tissues based on HEIDI test.

Table S13. Associations in MAGMA gene-based analysis.

Gene identifier	Gene symbol	Chr	cIMT_{min}	cIMT_{mean}	cIMT_{max}
ENSG00000152518	<i>ZFP36L2</i>	2	1.06E-05	1.91E-06	4.85E-06
ENSG00000196460	<i>RFX8</i>	2	1.74E-08	1.89E-08	1.19E-06
ENSG00000151617	<i>EDNRA</i>	4	2.88E-07	5.12E-08	1.44E-06
ENSG00000152348	<i>ATG10</i>	5	8.18E-07	2.31E-06	3.74E-05
ENSG00000186468	<i>RPS23</i>	5	2.26E-07	5.56E-07	9.96E-06
ENSG00000205464	<i>ATP6AP1L</i>	5	2.10E-11	2.35E-11	4.27E-09
ENSG00000113580	<i>NR3C1</i>	5	3.37E-05	2.38E-06	1.84E-05
ENSG00000164463	<i>CREBRF</i>	5	1.89E-06	7.82E-08	2.78E-07
ENSG00000113734	<i>BNIP1</i>	5	1.65E-06	8.21E-08	5.56E-07
ENSG00000112699	<i>GMDS</i>	6	2.74E-06	1.08E-07	6.97E-07
ENSG00000182611	<i>HIST1H2AJ</i>	6	1.07E-05	2.38E-06	5.22E-05
ENSG00000184357	<i>HIST1H1B</i>	6	7.18E-06	1.42E-06	7.15E-05
ENSG00000147316	<i>MCPH1</i>	8	4.56E-10	1.33E-07	4.03E-08
ENSG00000147324	<i>MFHAS1</i>	8	1.28E-14	5.72E-14	4.26E-12
ENSG00000104626	<i>ER11</i>	8	1.71E-10	3.71E-10	1.01E-08
ENSG00000173281	<i>PPP1R3B</i>	8	7.00E-08	4.78E-07	3.44E-05
ENSG00000173273	<i>TNKS</i>	8	8.89E-07	2.38E-06	2.08E-05
ENSG00000175806	<i>MSRA</i>	8	1.25E-11	1.05E-11	2.79E-10
ENSG00000183638	<i>RP1L1</i>	8	8.68E-11	3.93E-11	1.25E-09
ENSG00000171056	<i>SOX7</i>	8	7.60E-09	1.89E-08	4.54E-07
ENSG00000258724	<i>SOX7</i>	8	5.30E-08	1.16E-07	1.90E-06
ENSG00000254093	<i>PINX1</i>	8	3.42E-08	8.71E-08	1.57E-06
ENSG00000171044	<i>XKR6</i>	8	3.09E-16	6.39E-16	2.30E-13
ENSG00000215346	<i>AF131215.5</i>	8	1.28E-10	3.24E-10	8.28E-09
ENSG00000104643	<i>MTMR9</i>	8	6.46E-10	2.22E-10	3.11E-09
ENSG00000177710	<i>SLC35G5</i>	8	4.60E-07	3.01E-07	2.51E-06
ENSG00000184608	<i>C8orf12</i>	8	5.24E-11	4.55E-11	5.00E-10
ENSG00000154319	<i>FAM167A</i>	8	3.78E-09	4.24E-09	5.48E-08
ENSG00000136573	<i>BLK</i>	8	8.20E-12	6.43E-12	8.71E-11
ENSG00000136574	<i>GATA4</i>	8	2.89E-11	8.39E-11	2.49E-09
ENSG00000255046	<i>RP11-297N6.4</i>	8	1.62E-06	1.94E-06	3.44E-05
ENSG00000205882	<i>DEFB134</i>	8	3.79E-07	9.71E-07	1.82E-05
ENSG00000255098	<i>RP11-481A20.11</i>	8	2.55E-06	2.57E-06	1.13E-05
ENSG00000157657	<i>ZNF618</i>	9	1.06E-06	4.74E-05	1.37E-03
ENSG00000169126	<i>ARMC4</i>	10	7.85E-05	1.44E-06	1.45E-07
ENSG00000135517	<i>MIP</i>	12	5.15E-07	6.54E-07	6.46E-06
ENSG00000176422	<i>SPRYD4</i>	12	3.43E-06	2.06E-06	1.91E-05
ENSG00000135423	<i>GLS2</i>	12	2.30E-06	9.08E-07	2.41E-06
ENSG00000198774	<i>RASSF9</i>	12	6.06E-06	1.26E-07	1.36E-07
ENSG00000134871	<i>COL4A2</i>	13	1.74E-07	4.11E-07	2.88E-06
ENSG00000171914	<i>TLN2</i>	15	3.74E-05	1.73E-06	4.42E-06
ENSG00000166949	<i>SMAD3</i>	15	2.32E-06	9.25E-06	3.88E-04
ENSG00000129038	<i>LOXL1</i>	15	1.06E-06	1.66E-06	1.65E-06
ENSG00000125107	<i>CNOT1</i>	16	4.74E-06	5.14E-07	1.75E-06
ENSG00000153774	<i>CFDP1</i>	16	3.58E-12	2.37E-12	1.45E-10
ENSG00000261717	<i>RP11-77K12.1</i>	16	2.65E-11	7.80E-12	6.22E-10
ENSG00000166822	<i>TMEM170A</i>	16	4.40E-10	1.05E-10	5.80E-09
ENSG00000183196	<i>CHST6</i>	16	1.02E-05	1.38E-06	7.63E-06
ENSG00000103335	<i>PIEZO1</i>	16	3.66E-07	1.69E-06	8.11E-06
ENSG00000129993	<i>CBFA2T3</i>	16	3.53E-12	1.44E-11	2.37E-10
ENSG00000205018	<i>RP11-830F9.6</i>	16	1.46E-13	5.17E-13	4.44E-12

Gene identifier	Gene symbol	Chr	cIMT_{min}	cIMT_{mean}	cIMT_{max}
ENSG00000130203	<i>APOE</i>	19	3.33E-16	7.55E-11	2.22E-16
ENSG00000130208	<i>APOC1</i>	19	4.96E-07	1.40E-07	6.87E-08
ENSG00000078804	<i>TP53INP2</i>	20	1.10E-06	1.74E-06	9.36E-06
ENSG00000088298	<i>EDEM2</i>	20	3.37E-07	1.50E-06	1.16E-05
ENSG00000124126	<i>PREX1</i>	20	1.78E-05	4.13E-07	1.85E-06

Chr: Chromosome. Marked in bold: significant association with $P < 2.63 \times 10^{-6}$.

Table S14. Top ten genes prioritized by DEPICT to be associated with cIMT

Locus	Nr of genes in locus	Chromosome and position	Ensembl Gene ID	Gene symbol	Nominal P value	Gene closest to lead SNP	Gene bio-type	Top cis eQTL SNP (Westra et al. Nature Genetics 2014)	False discovery rate < 5%
cIMT_{min}									
rs12549144;rs13262031;rs7831557	29	chr8:9106927-11726957	ENSG00000136574	<i>GATA4</i>	5.10E-06	FALSE	protein coding+ processed transcript+ retained intron	-	Yes
rs342988	1	chr7:35242042-35293758	ENSG00000164532	<i>TBX20</i>	7.09E-03	TRUE	protein coding+ retained intron	rs1833130;rs17676885	No
rs914279	1	chr10:30301729-30404423	ENSG00000165757	<i>JCAD</i>	7.19E-03	TRUE	protein coding+ processed transcript	-	No
rs12549144;rs13262031;rs7831557	29	chr8:9106927-11726957	ENSG00000171056	<i>SOX7</i>	8.02E-03	FALSE	protein coding	rs10092781;rs7001281	No
rs12549144;rs13262031;rs7831557	29	chr8:9106927-11726957	ENSG00000255394	<i>C8orf49</i>	2.98E-02	FALSE	protein coding	-	No
rs9515203	1	chr13:110958159-111165374	ENSG00000134871	<i>COL4A2</i>	9.68E-02	TRUE	protein coding+ processed transcript	-	No
rs12549144;rs13262031;rs7831557	29	chr8:9106927-11726957	ENSG00000184608	<i>C8orf12</i>	1.06E-01	FALSE	processed transcript+ protein coding	-	No
rs12549144;rs13262031;rs7831557	29	chr8:9106927-11726957	ENSG00000173273	<i>TNKS</i>	1.07E-01	TRUE	protein coding+ processed transcript+ retained intron+nonsense mediated decay	rs17737611	No
rs2019090	1	chr11:103777914-104035107	ENSG00000170962	<i>PDGFD</i>	1.10E-01	TRUE	protein coding	rs481552;rs11226008	No
rs12549144;rs13262031;rs7831557	29	chr8:9106927-11726957	ENSG00000253887	-	1.20E-01	FALSE	lincRNA	-	No
cIMT_{mean}									
rs342988	1	chr7:35242042-35293758	ENSG00000164532	<i>TBX20</i>	1.10E-02	TRUE	protein coding+ retained intron	rs1833130;rs17676885	No
rs914279	1	chr10:30301729-30404423	ENSG00000165757	<i>JCAD</i>	4.92E-02	TRUE	protein coding+ processed transcript	-	No
rs9329221	17	chr8:9911778-11296167	ENSG00000171056	<i>SOX7</i>	5.16E-02	FALSE	protein coding	rs10092781;rs7001281	No
rs224960	1	chr5:81575281-81682796	ENSG00000205464	<i>ATP6AP1L</i>	6.75E-02	TRUE	protein coding+ processed transcript+ retained intron	-	No
rs4774437	1	chr15:62682725-63136830	ENSG00000171914	<i>TLN2</i>	1.25E-01	TRUE	processed transcript+ protein coding+ retained intron	-	No
rs6795735	1	chr3:64670585-64997143	ENSG00000241684	<i>ADAMTS9-AS2</i>	1.37E-01	TRUE	processed transcript+ retained intron	-	No
rs7500448	1	chr16:82660663-83829174	ENSG00000140945	<i>CDH13</i>	1.54E-01	TRUE	protein coding	rs16962255;rs6565105	No
rs9329221	17	chr8:9911778-11296167	ENSG00000255310	-	1.79E-01	FALSE	protein coding	-	No
rs9329221	17	chr8:9911778-11296167	ENSG00000184608	<i>C8orf12</i>	2.25E-01	FALSE	processed transcript+protein coding	-	No
rs9515203	1	chr13:110958159-111165374	ENSG00000134871	<i>COL4A2</i>	2.52E-01	TRUE	protein coding+processed transcript	-	No

Table S15. Gene prioritization results for GWAS loci identified in the UK Biobank

Gene	Chr	Region	SNP-level analysis			Gene-level analysis			
			Closest to the lead variant	Closest to fine-mapped variant	Coding variant in high LD to fine-mapped variant*	Cross-tissue TWAS†	Arterial TWAS	SMR analysis	DEPICT
<i>EML4</i>	2	p21		y	y				
<i>COX7A2L</i>	2	p21	main						
<i>KCNG3</i>	2	p21	main						
<i>ZFP36L2</i>	2	p21							
<i>RFX8</i>	2	q11.2	main	y	y				
<i>FN1</i>	2	q35	main	y					
<i>ZNF385D</i>	3	p24.3	main	y					
<i>ADAMTS9</i>	3	p14.1	main	y					
<i>EDNRA</i>	4	q31.22	main	y					
<i>HAND2</i>	4	q34.1	main	y					
<i>RPS23</i>	5	q14.2							
<i>ATP6AP1L</i>	5	q14.2	main	y					
<i>XRCC4</i>	5	q14.2				y			
<i>VCAN</i>	5	q14.2	main	y					
<i>HAPLN1</i>	5	q14.2	sex interaction (female)	y					
<i>ARHGAP26</i>	5	q31.3		y					
<i>NR3C1</i>	5	q31.3	main	y	y				
<i>GMDS</i>	6	p25.3	main	y					
<i>TBX20</i>	7	p14.2	main	y					
<i>HERPUD2</i>	7	p14.2	male						
<i>MCPH1</i>	8	p23.1	main	y					
<i>FAM85B</i>	8	p23.1						y	
<i>ZNF705B</i>	8	p23.1	main	y					
<i>MFHAS1</i>	8	p23.1				y			
<i>ERI1</i>	8	p23.1				y	y		
<i>PPP1R3B</i>	8	p23.1				y	y		
<i>TNKS</i>	8	p23.1				y			
<i>MSRA</i>	8	p23.1				y	y		
<i>RP1L1</i>	8	p23.1							
<i>SOX7</i>	8	p23.1	sex interaction (male)			y	y		
<i>PINX1</i>	8	p23.1				y	y		

XKR6	8	p23.1	main	y		y			
AF131215.5	8	p23.1						y	
MTMR9	8	p23.1				y			
SLC35G5	8	p23.1				y	y		
C8orf12	8	p23.1				y			
FAM167A	8	p23.1				y	y		
BLK	8	p23.1				y			
GATA4	8	p23.1	sex interaction (male)			y			y
C8orf49	8	p23.1	sex interaction (male)			y			
NEIL2	8	p23.1				y	y		
FDFT1	8	p23.1						y	
DEFB134	8	p23.1				y			
FAM86B1	8	p23.1				y	y		
FAM86B2	8	p23.1				y	y		
ZBTB10	8	q21.13	main	y					
ZHX2	8	q24.13	main	y					
FBXO32	8	q24.13	main	y					
ZNF618	9	q32	main	y	y				
ARMC4	10	p12.1	main	y	y				
SVIL	10	p11.23	main				y	y	
JCAD	10	p11.23	main	y	y				
PDGFD	11	q22.3	main	y		y			
GLS2	12	q13.3							
STAT6	12	q13.3	main						
LRP1	12	q13.3	main	y		y	y		
R3HDM2	12	q13.3		y					
INHBC	12	q13.3			y				
RASSF9	12	q21.31	main	y					
COL4A1	13	q34		y					
COL4A2	13	q34	main	y					
SYNE3	14	q32.13	sex interaction (male)						
FBN1	15	q21.1	main	y					
TLN2	15	q22.2	main	y		y	y	y	
LOXL1	15	q24.1	meta-analysis	y					
RFWD3	16	q23.1				y			
LDHD	16	q23.1				y			
BCAR1	16	q23.1		y		y	y	y	
CFDP1	16	q23.1	main	y					
RP11-77K12.1	16	q23.1							

<i>TMEM170A</i>	16	q23.1							y		
<i>CDH13</i>	16	q23.3	main		y					y	y
<i>MVD</i>	16	q24.2							y		
<i>ZNF469</i>	16	q24.2								y	
<i>CBFA2T3</i>	16	q24.3	main		y					y	
<i>RP11-830F9.6</i>	16	q24.3									
<i>MAP2K4</i>	17	p12	sex interaction (female)		y						
<i>MYOCD</i>	17	p12	main		y						
<i>SHKBP1</i>	19	q13.2	main								
<i>LTBP4</i>	19	q13.2	main		y						
<i>CYP2A6</i>	19	q13.2	main								
<i>PVRL2</i>	19	q13.32							y		
<i>TOMM40</i>	19	q13.32	main								
<i>APOE</i>	19	q13.32	main		y		y			y	
<i>APOC1</i>	19	q13.32	main		y						
<i>ZNF296</i>	19	q13.32							y		
<i>DMPK</i>	19	q13.32								y	
<i>DMWD</i>	19	q13.32								y	
<i>ZNF341</i>	20	q11.22							y		
<i>ITCH</i>	20	q11.22	main						y		
<i>EDEM2</i>	20	q11.22	main								
<i>MMP24</i>	20	q11.22	main		y				y		
<i>FAM83C</i>	20	q11.22							y		
<i>GDF5OS</i>	20	q11.22							y		
<i>GDF5</i>	20	q11.22							y		
<i>RBM12</i>	20	q11.22							y		y
<i>NFS1</i>	20	q11.22							y		
<i>MRTFA</i>	22	q13.2	main								
<i>ST13</i>	22	q13.2							y		y
<i>EP300</i>	22	q13.2							y		y

Genes located within loci identified in the UK Biobank via the main GWAS, sex interaction analysis and meta-analysis were included; Rows with alternate colors indicate different loci. Genes closest to the lead variant included the nearest gene and any additional gene within 10 KB of the lead variant. Chr: Chromosome; *: if there existed non-synonymous variant in LD $R^2 > 0.8$ with the fine-mapped variant; †: genes consistently prioritized in all cIMT traits were noted.

Table S16 Top ten results from MAGMA gene-set analyses for three cIMT phenotypes

Gene Set	N_{genes}	Beta	Beta STD	SE	P	P_{bon}
cIMT_{min}						
Curated gene sets:reactome crosslinking of collagen fibrils	16	1.337	0.039	0.258	1.15E-07	0.002
Curated gene sets:nikolsky breast cancer 20q11 amplicon	31	1.426	0.057	0.284	2.66E-07	0.004
Curated gene sets:reactome signaling by pdgf	58	0.583	0.032	0.127	2.18E-06	0.034
GO cc:go collagen type iv trimer	4	2.414	0.035	0.535	3.18E-06	0.049
GO bp:go peptidyl lysine oxidation	5	1.984	0.032	0.457	7.26E-06	0.112
GO mf:go protein lysine 6 oxidase activity	5	1.984	0.032	0.457	7.26E-06	0.112
GO cc:go cell substrate junction	395	0.196	0.028	0.045	7.65E-06	0.118
Curated gene sets:ji carcinogenesis by kras and stk11 dn	16	1.017	0.029	0.235	7.81E-06	0.121
GO bp:go regulation of platelet derived growth factor receptor beta signaling pathway	8	1.350	0.027	0.314	8.49E-06	0.131
GO bp:go platelet derived growth factor receptor beta signaling pathway	14	1.068	0.029	0.253	1.22E-05	0.188
cIMT_{mean}						
Curated gene sets:nikolsky breast cancer 20q11 amplicon	31	1.424	0.057	0.284	2.68E-07	0.004
Curated gene sets:reactome crosslinking of collagen fibrils	16	1.279	0.037	0.258	3.65E-07	0.006
Curated gene sets:reactome signaling by pdgf	58	0.620	0.034	0.127	4.95E-07	0.008
Curated gene sets:nakamura adipogenesis late dn	35	0.697	0.030	0.160	6.70E-06	0.104
GO bp:go artery development	84	0.464	0.031	0.108	9.34E-06	0.145
GO bp:go regulation of low density lipoprotein particle receptor catabolic process	5	1.802	0.029	0.422	9.68E-06	0.150
Curated gene sets:reactome chylomicron clearance	5	1.888	0.030	0.447	1.20E-05	0.185
Curated gene sets:tsai response to radiation therapy	33	0.732	0.030	0.173	1.20E-05	0.185
GO bp:go ameboidal type cell migration	368	0.201	0.027	0.048	1.64E-05	0.253
GO bp:go low density lipoprotein particle remodeling	14	1.069	0.029	0.258	1.76E-05	0.273
cIMT_{max}						
Curated gene sets:nikolsky breast cancer 20q11 amplicon	31	1.362	0.055	0.280	5.64E-07	0.009
Curated gene sets:reactome crosslinking of collagen fibrils	16	1.216	0.035	0.254	8.85E-07	0.014
Curated gene sets:reactome signaling by pdgf	58	0.559	0.031	0.125	3.68E-06	0.057
GO bp:go artery development	84	0.478	0.031	0.107	3.80E-06	0.059
Curated gene sets:reactome chylomicron clearance	5	1.959	0.032	0.440	4.31E-06	0.067
GO bp:go regulation of low density lipoprotein particle receptor catabolic process	5	1.795	0.029	0.416	7.90E-06	0.122
GO bp:go low density lipoprotein particle remodeling	14	1.096	0.030	0.254	8.27E-06	0.128
GO bp:go dephosphorylation	451	0.171	0.026	0.041	1.55E-05	0.240
GO bp:go protein containing complex remodeling	30	0.717	0.028	0.174	1.99E-05	0.307
Curated gene sets:hellebrekers silenced during tumor angiogenesis	75	0.444	0.028	0.108	2.02E-05	0.312

P_{bon} : Bonferroni corrected P-value.

Table S17. cIMT variants significantly associated with CAD

cIMT lead SNP	CAD meta-analysis SNP	Chr	Position	Effect	SE	<i>P</i>	Gene
rs515135	rs515135	2	21286057	-0.0555	0.0066	5.74E-17	<i>APOB</i>
rs6795735	rs7428936	3	64710850	-0.019	0.0052	2.87E-04	<i>ADAMTS9</i>
rs59415853	rs6841581	4	148401190	0.0751	0.0074	5.18E-24	<i>EDNRA</i>
rs17477177	rs12705390	7	106410777	0.03	0.0062	1.21E-06	<i>PIK3CG</i>
rs7004066	rs6995692	8	10587008	-0.0189	0.0058	1.18E-03	<i>SOX7</i>
rs55917128	rs11189523	10	100011077	-0.0268	0.0056	1.96E-06	<i>LOXL4</i>
rs974819	rs974819	11	103660567	0.0614	0.0055	1.12E-28	<i>PDGFD</i>
rs11172113	rs11172113	12	57527283	-0.0227	0.0051	1.04E-05	<i>STAT6,LRP1</i>
rs9515203	rs9515203	13	111049623	0.0596	0.006	3.89E-23	<i>COL4A2</i>
rs12441130	rs12441130	15	74234902	0.0199	0.0056	4.13E-04	<i>LOXL1</i>
rs3851740	rs8046696	16	75442143	-0.0479	0.0058	1.91E-16	<i>BCAR/CFDP151</i>
rs7500448	rs7500448	16	83045790	0.0557	0.0068	1.61E-16	<i>CDH13</i>
rs7412	rs7412	19	45412079	-0.1368	0.011	2.14E-35	<i>APOE,APOC,TOMM40</i>
rs8139974	rs139064	22	40886557	0.0215	0.0057	1.56E-04	<i>MRTFA</i>

Chr: Chromosome; SE: standard error. Marked in bold: significant association after Bonferroni correction with $P < 1.19 \times 10^{-3}$ (0.05/42).

Associations of CAD were obtained in a meta-analysis of UK Biobank and CARDIoGRAMplusC4D. If a cIMT lead SNP was not available in the meta-analysis, a proxy SNP in high LD ($R^2 > 0.8$) was selected.

Supplementary figures

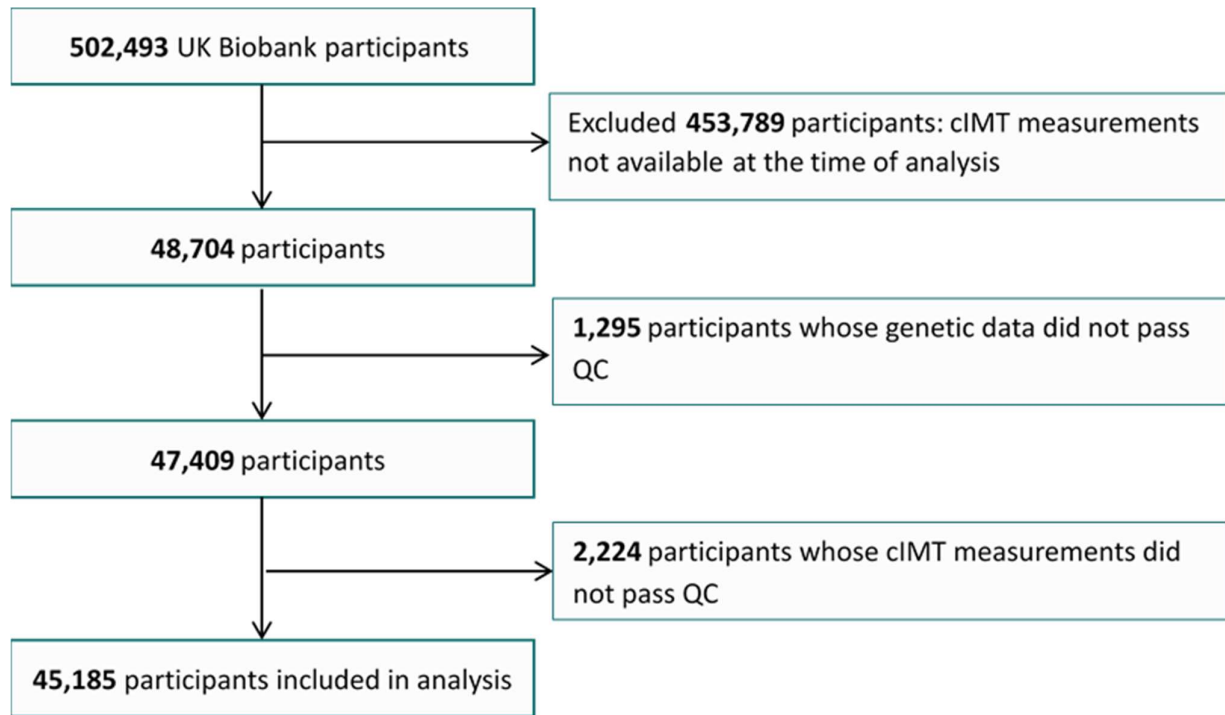


Figure S1. Study population.

GWAS on cIMT measurements were performed in 45,185 participants in the UK Biobank.

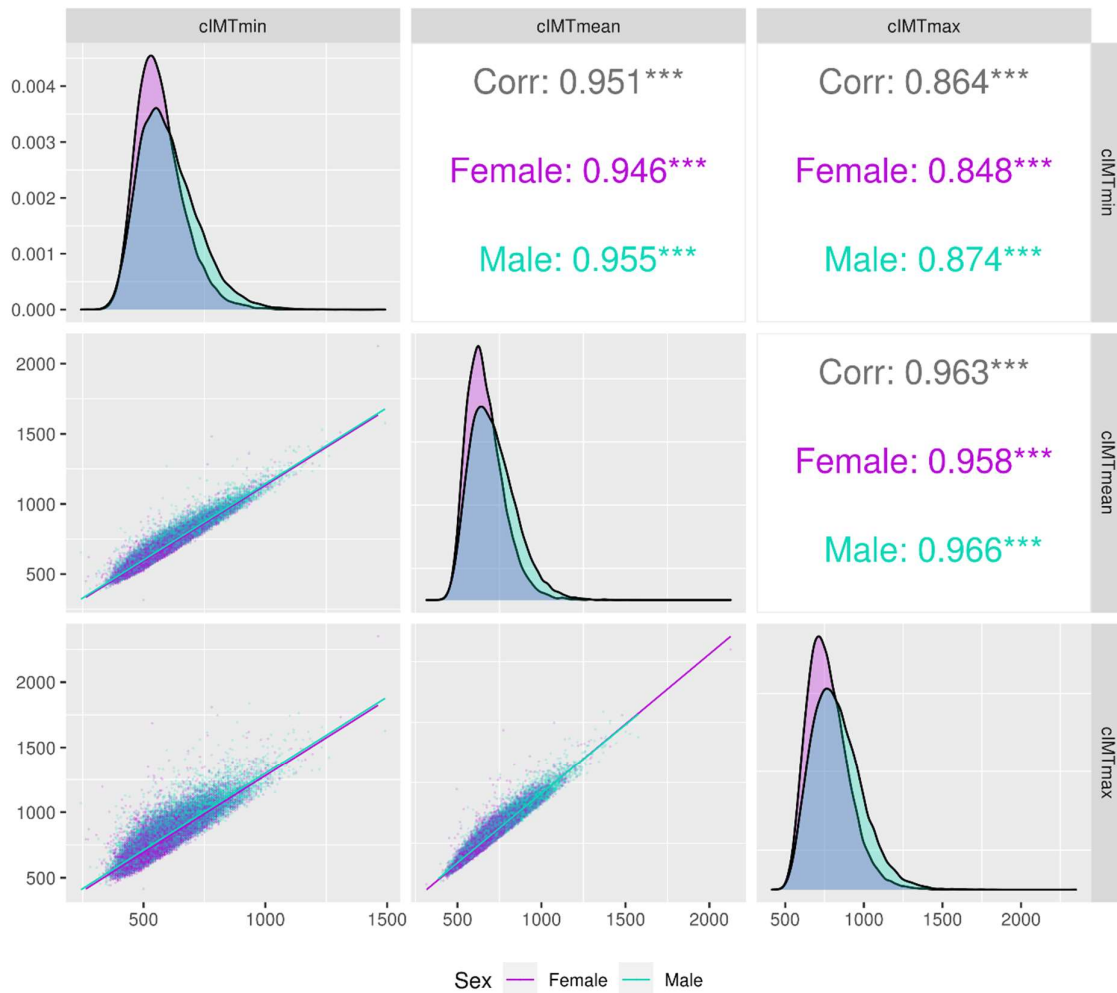


Figure S2. Distribution and correlations Between cIMT measurements. Diagonal: Distribution of cIMT_{min}, cIMT_{mean}, cIMT_{max} stratified by sex; lower triangular panels: scatterplots against cIMT measurements; upper triangular panels: Spearman rank correlations between cIMT measurements in overall sample (Corr) and sex-stratified.

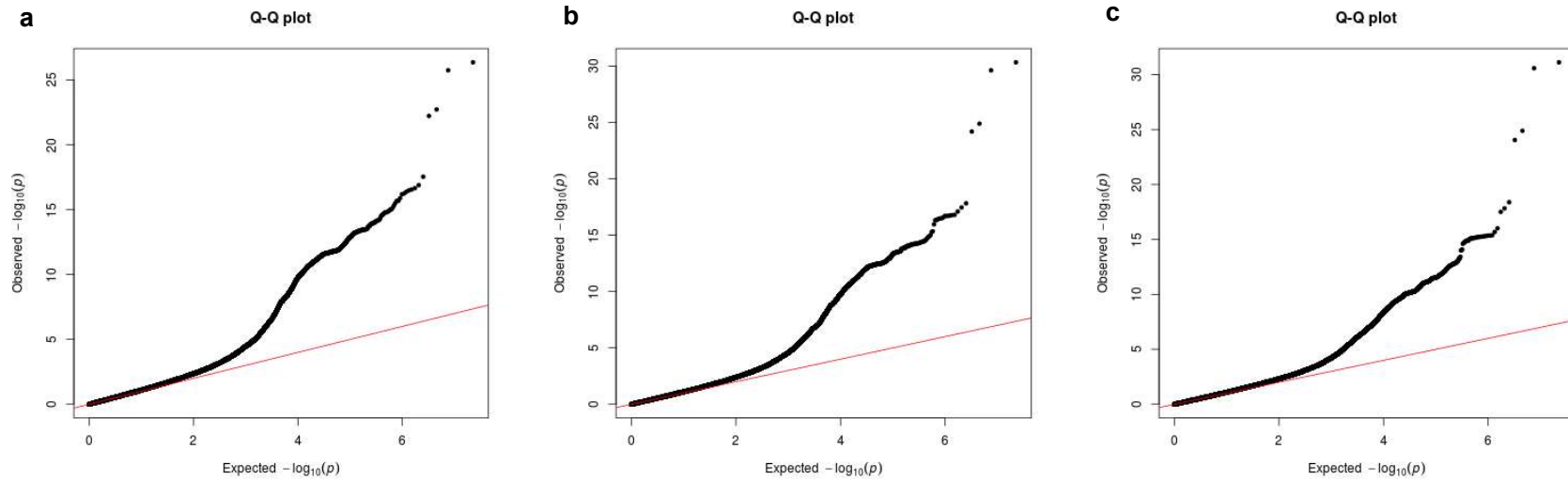
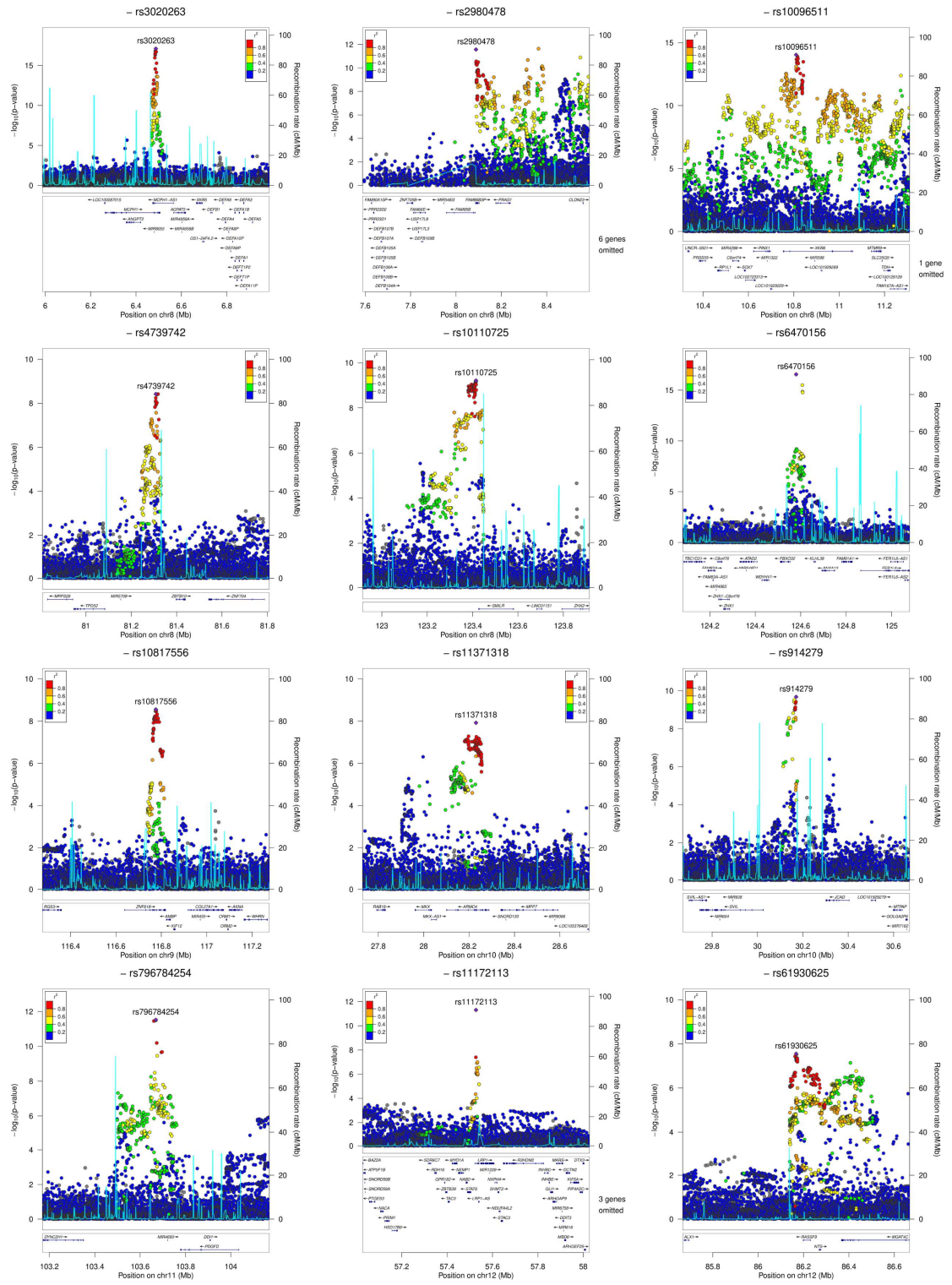


Figure S3. Q-Q plot for the three cIMT measurements

a: cIMT_{min}; b: cIMT_{mean}; c: cIMT_{max}. The genomic inflation factor λ are 1.06, 1.07 and 1.07 for cIMT_{min}, cIMT_{mean} and cIMT_{max} respectively



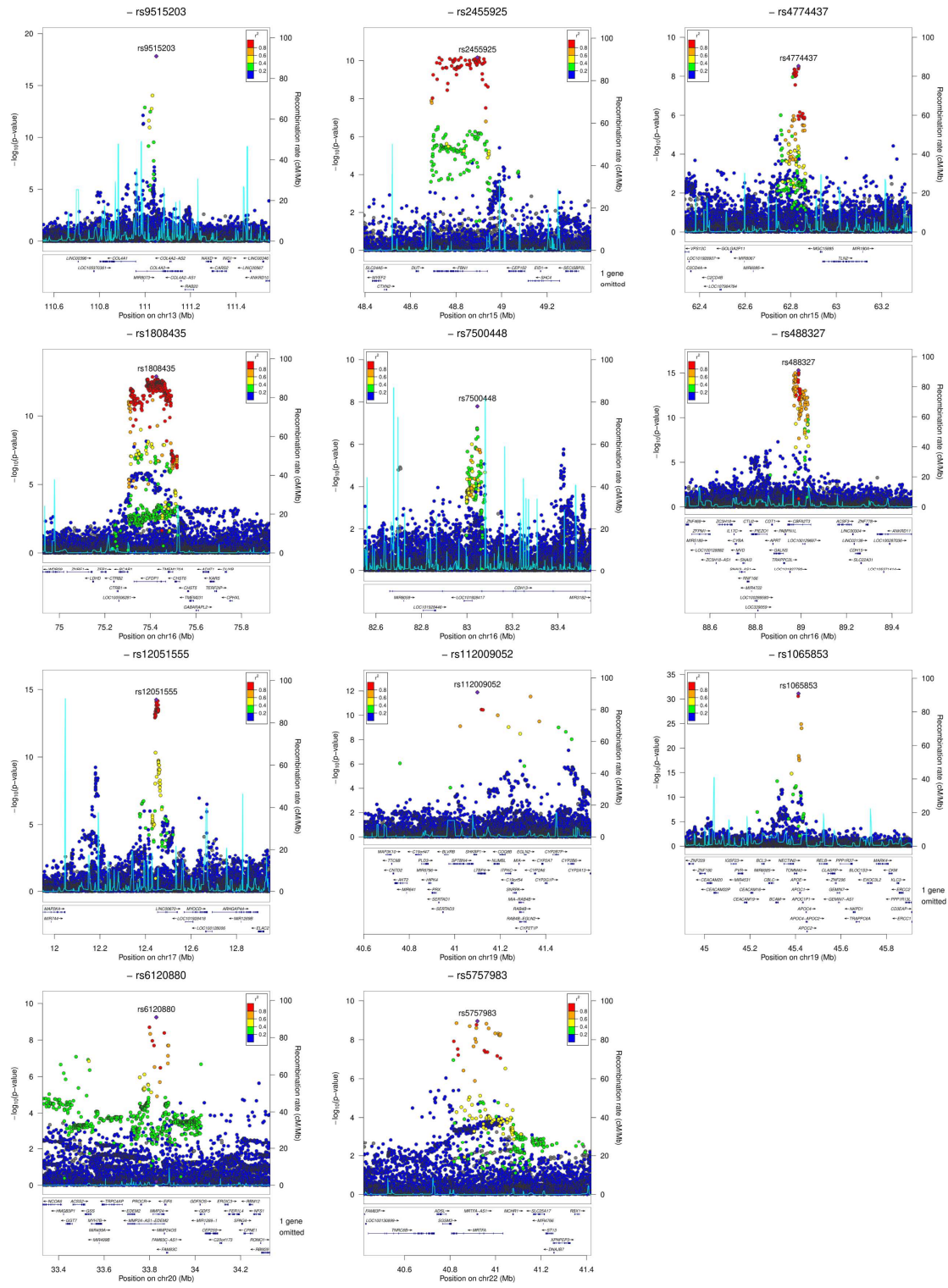
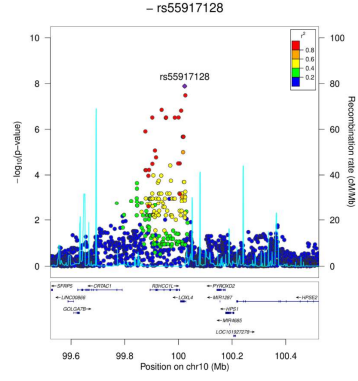
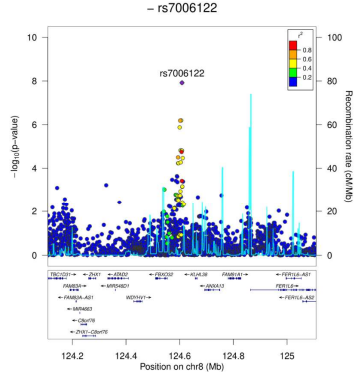
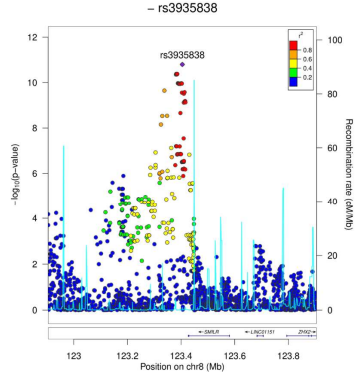
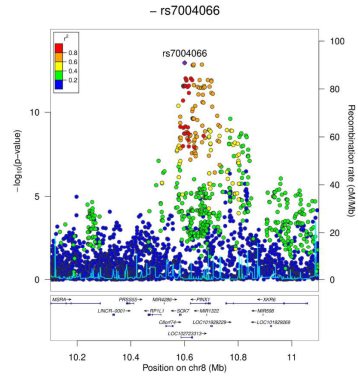
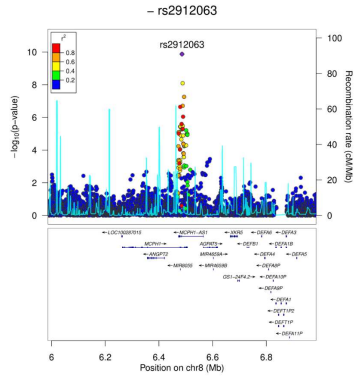
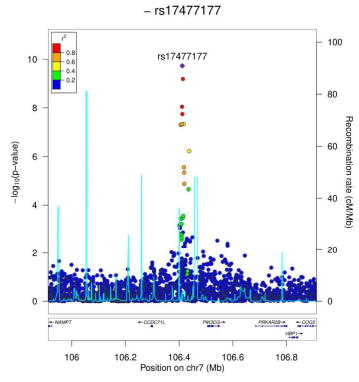
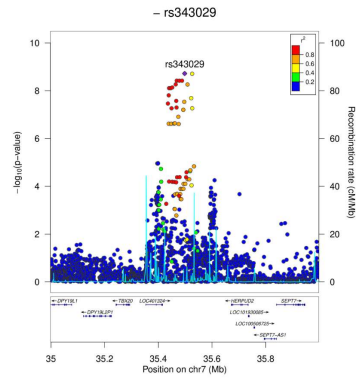
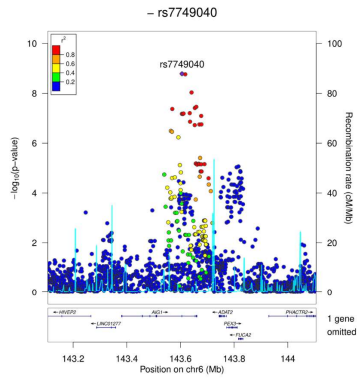
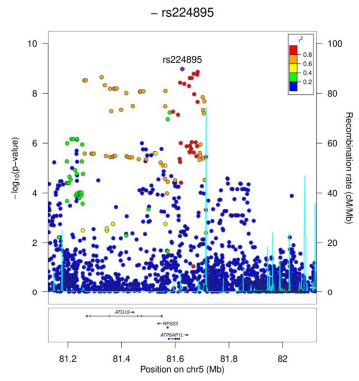
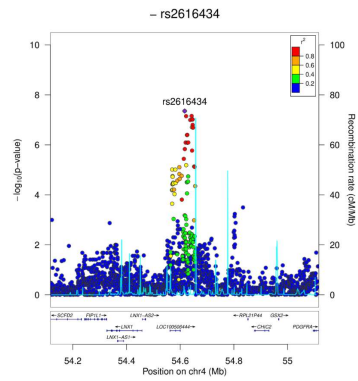
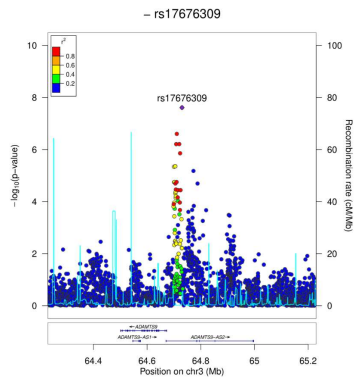
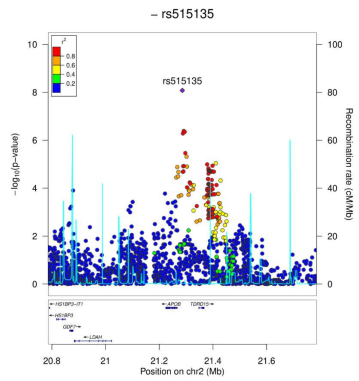


Figure S4. Locus zoom plots for 35 independent cIMT loci.



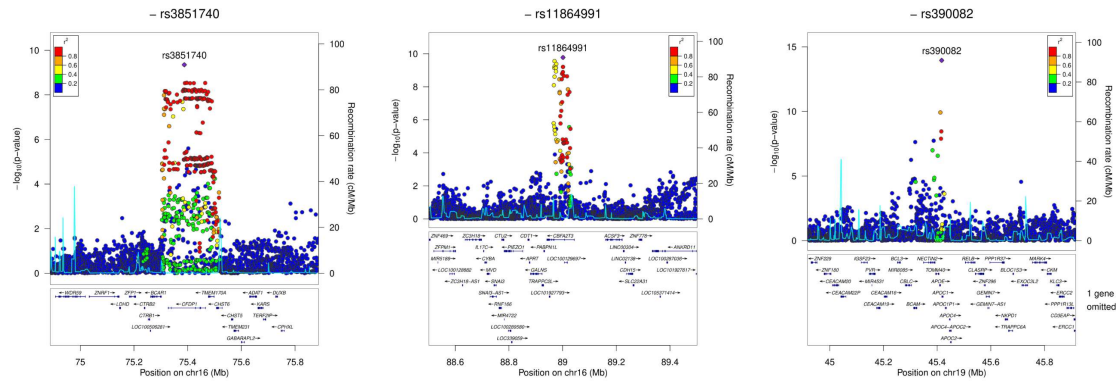


Figure S5. Locus zoom plots for cIMT_{max} loci from the meta-analysis of UK Biobank and CHARGE/UCLEB consortia.

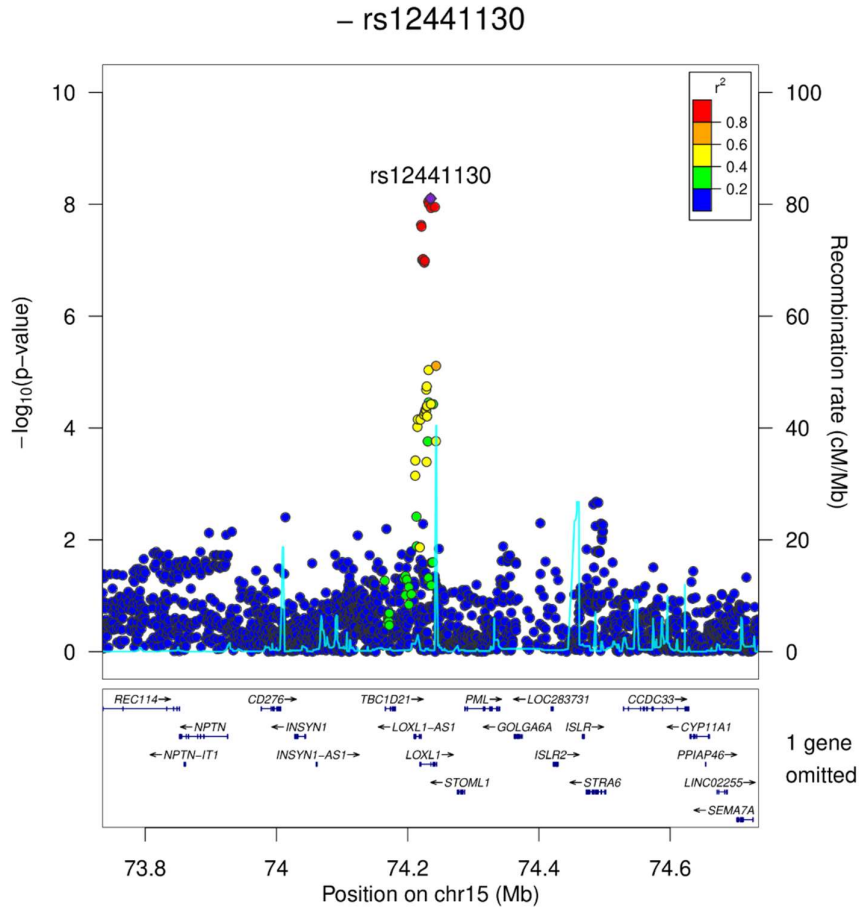
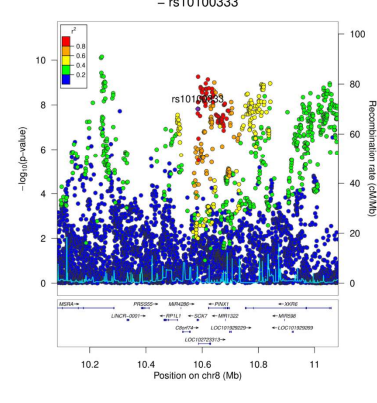
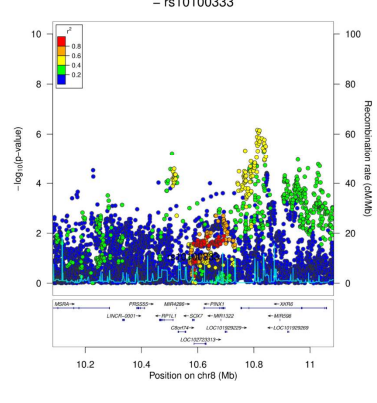
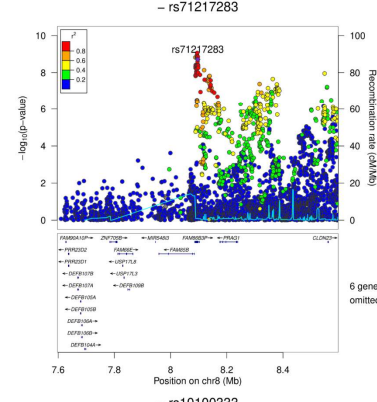
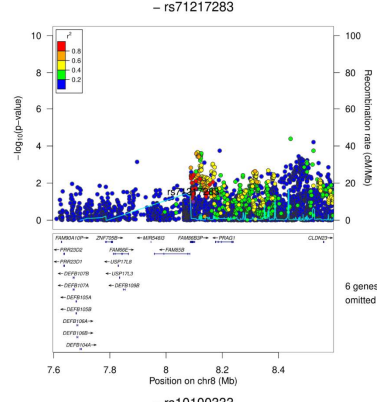
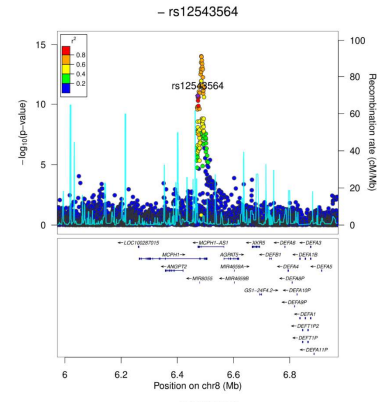
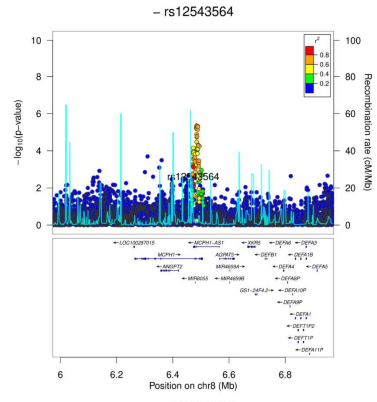
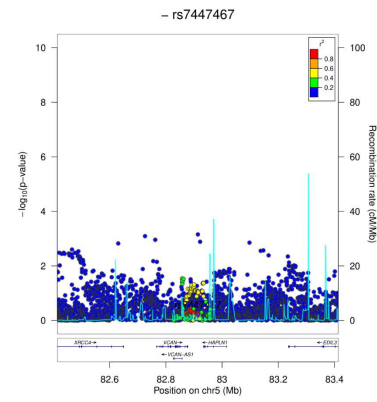
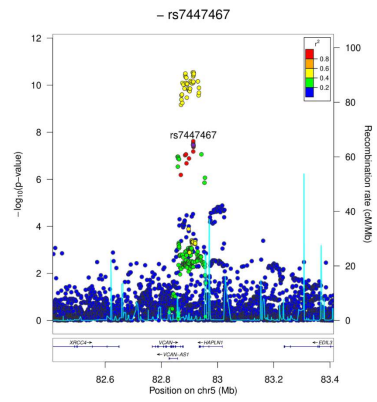


Figure S6. Locus zoom plot for *LOXL1* identified in the meta-analysis of the three cIMT measurements.



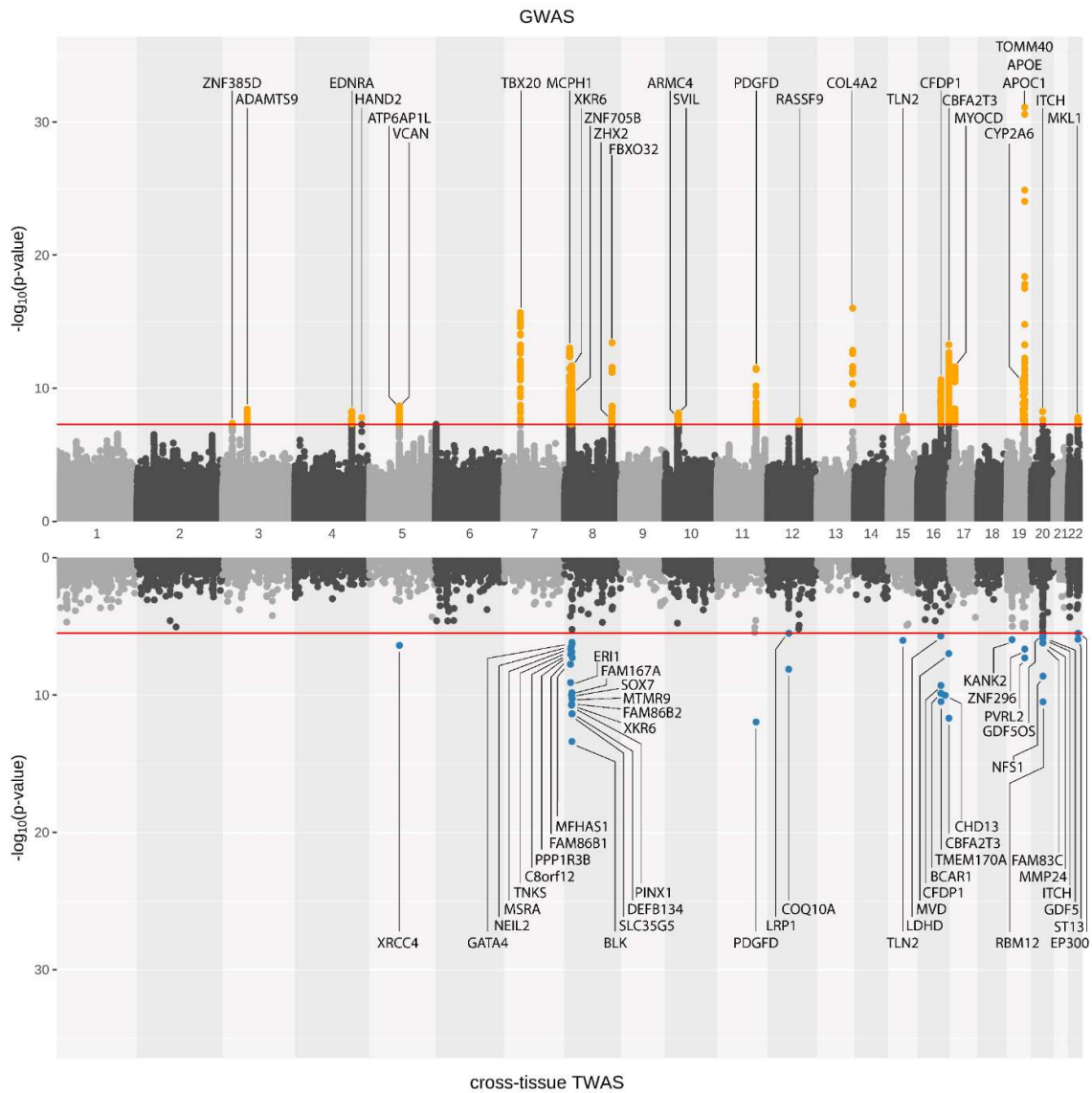


Figure S8. Miami plot of $cIMT_{max}$

The top panel shows the GWAS results while the bottom panel shows results from cross-tissue TWAS. Orange dot: variants passing genome-wide significance threshold ($P < 5 \times 10^{-8}$) in GWAS; Blue dots: genes passing significance threshold after Bonferroni correction ($P < 3.3 \times 10^{-6}$) in TWAS.

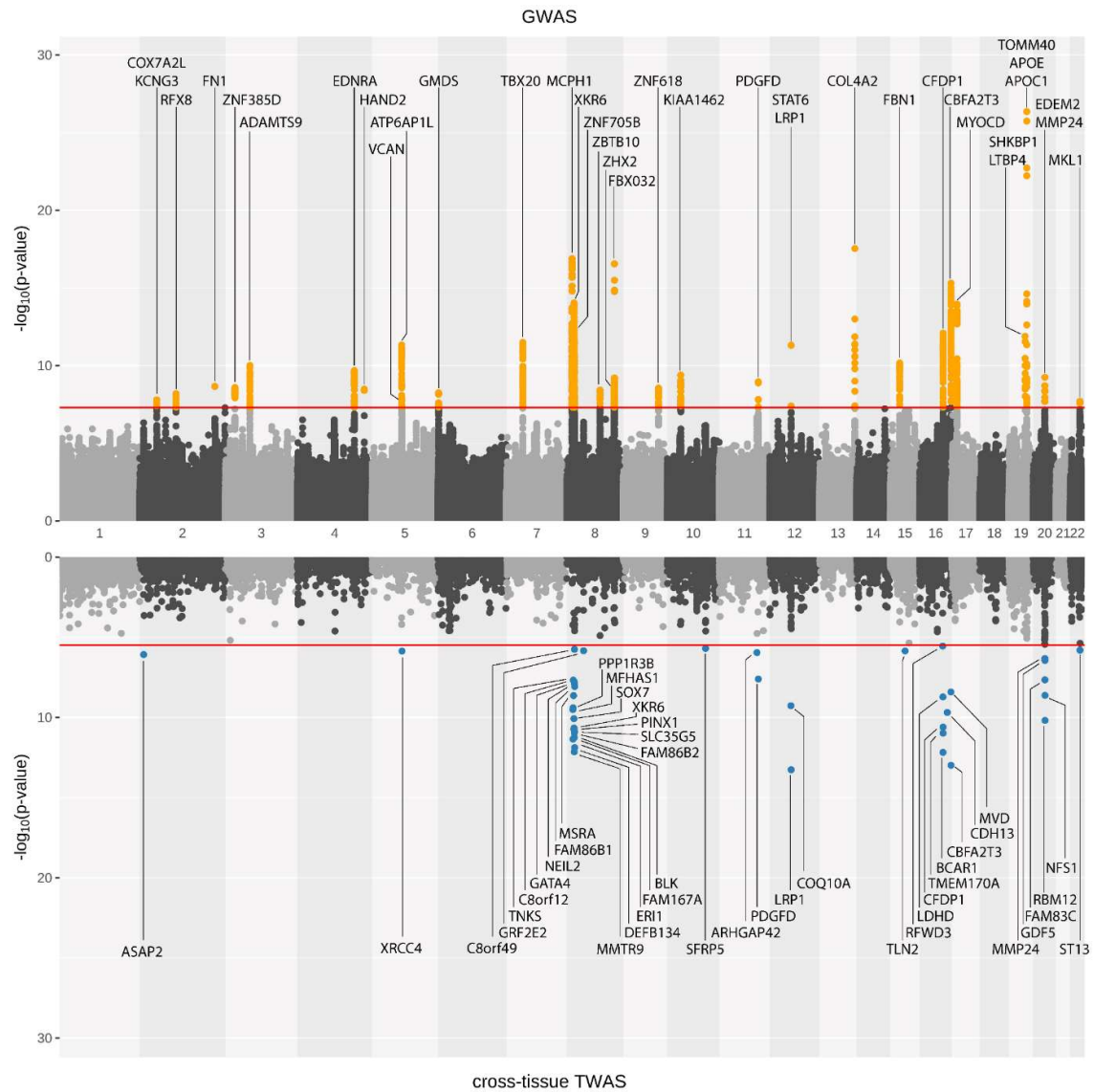


Figure S9. Miami plot of $cIMT_{min}$

The top panel shows the GWAS results while the bottom panel shows results from cross-tissue TWAS. Orange dot: variants passing genome-wide significance threshold ($P < 5 \times 10^{-8}$) in GWAS; Blue dots: genes passing significance threshold after Bonferroni correction ($P < 3.3 \times 10^{-6}$) in TWAS.

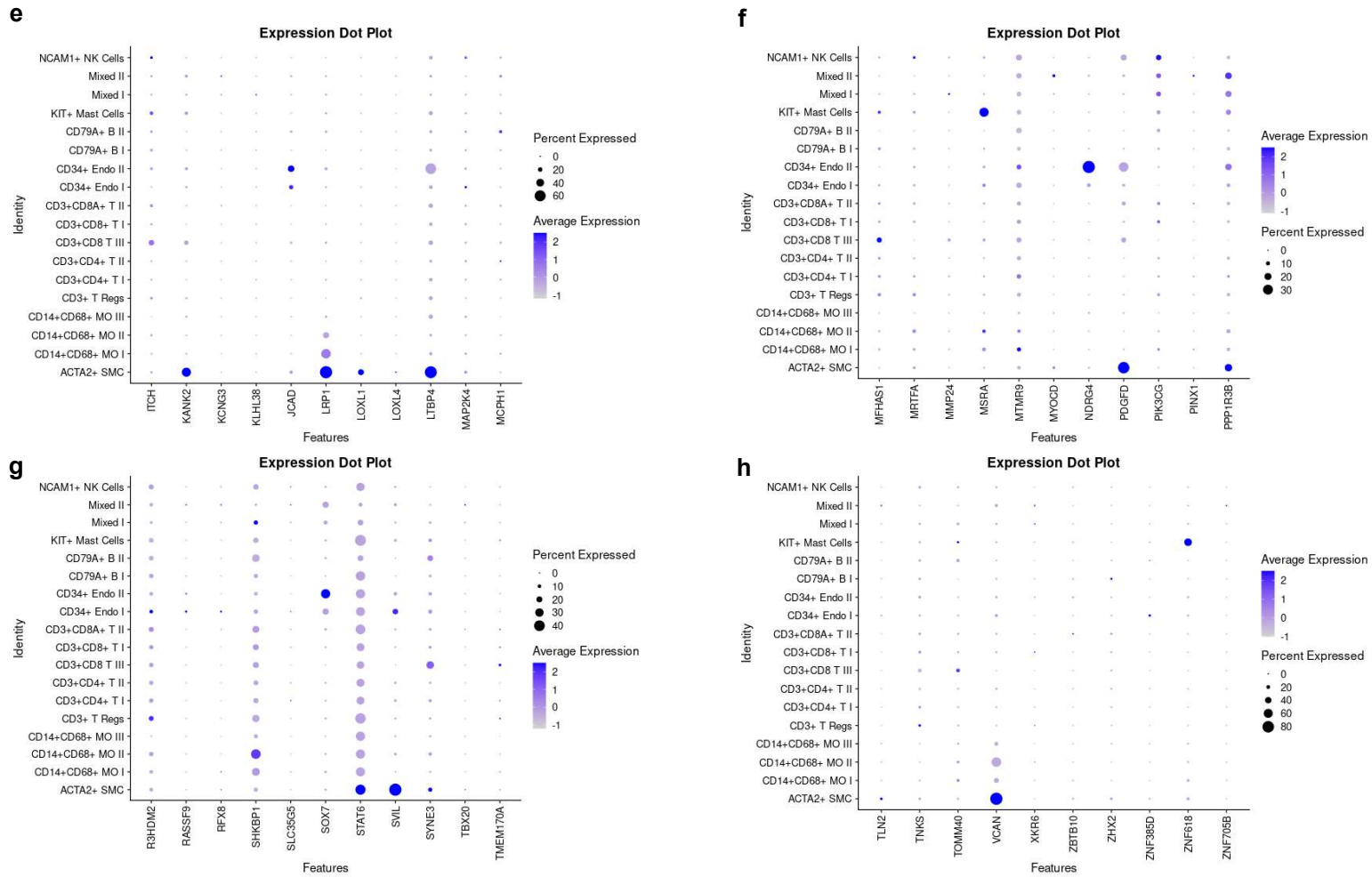


Figure S10. Expression of prioritized genes in human carotid plaque tissues.

a. UMAP clustering plots on cell populations denoted with corresponding identities (determined by marker expressions). b-h: Expression levels of genes, which are the closest genes to GWAS loci or prioritized in subsequent bioinformatic analyses, stratified by cell populations. B: B cells; Endo: endothelial; MO: macrophage; NK: natural killer; SMC: smooth muscle cell; T: T cells; T Regs: regulatory T cells.

Major Resources Table

Data & Code Availability

Description	Source / Repository	Persistent ID / URL
Summary statistics of cIMT GWAS in 45,185 UK Biobank participants	Mendeley	doi: 10.17632/47gd92pbn9.1
UK Biobank data	UK Biobank	Available for researchers upon approved request by the UK Biobank https://www.ukbiobank.ac.uk/
CARDIoGRAMplusC4D summary statistics	CARDIoGRAMplusC4D consortium	http://www.cardiogramplusc4d.org/data-downloads/
CHARGE summary statistics	dbGaP	Available for researchers upon approved request by data access committee from NIH dbGaP Study Accession: phs000930.v9.p1 Analysis Accession: pha004762.1
GERA summary statistics on blood pressure traits	GWAS catalog	Systolic blood pressure: https://www.ebi.ac.uk/gwas/studies/GCST07095 Diastolic blood pressure: https://www.ebi.ac.uk/gwas/studies/GCST07098
GLGC summary statistics	GLGC	http://csg.sph.umich.edu/willer/public/lipids2013/
GTEEx summary statistics	GTEEx portal	https://gtexportal.org/home/datasets
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FINEMAP		http://www.christianbenner.com/
FUMA		https://fuma.ctglab.nl/
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LocusZoom		http://locuszoom.org/
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PLINK 1.9		https://www.cog-genomics.org/plink/
SMR		https://cnsgenomics.com/software/smr/#Overview
UTMOST	GitHub	https://github.com/Joker-Jerome/UTMOST

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