





Supplementary Figure 1

Pedigrees of families with APOB p.GIn725* mutation and APOB p.Gly1829Glufs8 mutation

(**a**,**b**) Pedigrees of families with *APOB* p.Gln725^{*} mutation. (**c**) Pedigree of family with *APOB* p.Gly1829Glufs8 mutation. Squares denote male family members, circles denote female family members, and symbols with slashes denote deceased family members. Values below symbols are non-HDL cholesterol (above) and LDL cholesterol (below) in mmol/L for family members with available lipid information. The pedigrees have been simplified to maintain confidentiality.



Triglyceride-rich lipoproteins

Supplementary Figure 2

A schematic illustration of the lipid metabolism genes harboring mutations described in this study.

Cholesterol and triglycerides (TG) are transferred together by triglyceride-rich lipoproteins, including very low-density lipoprotein (VLDL), intermediate-density lipoproteins (IDL), chylomicrons, and chylomicron remnants. Apolipoprotein B, encoded by *APOB*, is an essential structural component of VLDL, IDL, LDL, and chylomicrons. The *APOA1* gene encodes apolipoprotein A-I, the major protein component of HDL particles that have a key role in reverse cholesterol transport. Apolipoprotein C-I, encoded by *APOC1*, is associated with both HDL and triglyceride-rich lipoproteins, inhibits cholesteryl ester transfer protein (*CETP*), and hinders hepatic clearance of triglyceride-rich lipoproteins. ATP-binding cassette transporter (*ABCA1*) mediates the efflux of cholesterol and phospholipids to lipid-poor apolipoprotein Iipase (LPL). Angiopoietin-like 3 (encoded by the *ANGPTL3* gene) inhibits LPL. CETP and hepatic lipase (encoded by *LIPC*) are central in lipoprotein remodeling. CETP facilitates transfer of cholesteryl ester (CE) from HDL to triglyceride-rich lipoproteins in exchange for triglycerides. Hepatic lipase (*LIPC*). LDL is taken up by liver and other tissues in an endocytotic process that involves the LDL receptor (*LDLR*). Liver X receptor, encoded by the *NR1H3* gene, is a cholesterol sensor that induces transcription of multiple genes that protect cells from cholesterol overload.

Supplementary Note

The Egger regression estimate proposed by Bowden *et al.*¹ using the effect estimates for the allele that has a positive effect on the predictor, can be extended to include multiple covariates for performing weighted multiple regression. When we apply multiple Egger regression to the data of Do *et al.*², the triglyceride effect, with high density lipoprotein cholesterol (HDL-C) and low density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) levels included in the analysis, is 0.15 (P=0.028), lower than the reported 0.37 (P=1.3e-9) based on residual regression (See Table). Since non-HDL-C encompasses cholesterol from triglyceride-rich lipoproteins (including very low density lipoprotein cholesterol (VLDL-C)) and has a stronger correlation with the risk of coronary artery disease (CAD) than LDL-C³, we are also interested in whether triglycerides associate with the risk of CAD after accounting for non-HDL-C instead of LDL-C levels. Although the effect estimates of Do *et al.* do not include non-HDL-C effects, these can be estimated from the LDL-C and triglyceride effects. The multiple Egger regression estimates this effect as insignificant 0.09 (P=0.33), while the linear regression estimates it as 0.22 (P=0.00011).

Predictor	Covariates	Residual	Multiple Egger
		regression	regression effect
		effect (P)	(P)
LDL-C	_	0.41 (9.7e-21)	0.62 (1.5e-14)
LDL-C	TG, HDL-C	0.39 (4.8e-23)	0.56 (3.6e-15)
HDL-C	-	-0.18 (0.00066)	-0.29 (0.0050)
HDL-C	LDL-C, TG	-0.03 (0.37)	-0.14 (0.11)
TG	-	0.44 (1.7e-8)	0.39 (1.2e-5)
TG	LDL-C, HDL-C	0.37 (1.3e-9)	0.15 (0.028)
TG	Non-HDL-C, HDL-C	0.22 (0.00011)	0.09 (0.33)
Non-HDL-C	-	0.50 (9.6e-27)	0.65 (4.9e-16)
Non-HDL-C	TG, HDL-C	0.42 (2.2e-21)	0.56 (3.5e-12)

Table. Mendelian randomization analysis of the relationship between lipid levels and coronary artery disease (CAD) risk. The lipid levels are for low density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C), high density lipoprotein cholesterol (HDL-C), triglycerides (TG) and non-HDL cholesterol (non-HDL-C). The non-HDL-C effects were estimated based on the relationship between LDL-C and TG effects and non-HDL-C effects in Iceland.

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