



Discovery and systematic characterization of risk variants and genes for coronary artery disease in over a million participants

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SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE

Genetic discovery meta-analysis

Details of the ten *de novo* studies are presented in [Supplementary Table 1](#) and [Extended Data Figure 1](#). Ethical approval and informed consent were obtained for all participating studies. With the exception of UK Biobank (which used the ThermoFisher UK Biobank Axiom array), studies used Illumina genotyping arrays. Most studies used the Haplotype Reference Consortium v1.1 panel for imputation, but several utilized local whole-genome sequence data for improved imputation.

An inverse variance weighted meta-analysis was performed using METAL,[1] combining the results from the ten *de novo* studies with previously published summary statistics. To maximize the variant-specific sample size, we used summary statistics from either (a) a previous 1000 Genomes-imputed GWAS meta-analysis of up to 60,801 CAD cases and 123,504 CAD-free controls;[2] (b) a meta-analysis of ~79,000 variants in up to 88,192 CAD cases and 162,544 controls, predominantly based on the Illumina CardioMetaboChip array;[3] or (c) a meta-analysis ~184,000 variants in up to 42,335 CAD cases and 78,240 controls based on the Illumina Exome array.[4, 5] From each meta-analysis, we dropped variants which were only present in one study or had fewer than 30,000 cases in total from all contributing studies. Where a variant was found in multiple meta-analyses, we kept the result which had the highest total number of 'effective cases' across studies (approximated within each study as the variant-specific number of CAD cases multiplied by the imputation quality score). Finally, to avoid false positive associations driven by an extreme result in a single study, we filtered variants with a meta-analysis p-value $\leq 5.0 \times 10^{-6}$ that did not have a p-value < 0.2 in at least two studies for which the direction of effect was consistent with the overall meta-analysis effect estimate. Our final dataset included 20,073,070 variants after filtering.

Phenome-wide association study (PheWAS) in UK Biobank

We conducted a phenome-wide association study in UK Biobank of our 279 independent associations with CAD against 53 cardiovascular and non-cardiovascular diseases and 32 continuous traits. A complete list of the phenotypes assessed, details on disease definitions, and relevant sample sizes are provided in [Supplementary Tables 32 and 33](#). We limited analyses to UK Biobank participants of European genetic ancestry as defined by principal components analysis, and excluded one individual in each pair with *KING* coefficient > 0.0884 , indicating 2nd degree or closer relatedness ($n=393,461$). For disease phenotypes, we performed logistic regression adjusted for age, sex, genotyping array, and the first five principal components. An association with a disease phenotype was deemed significant at a Bonferroni-corrected threshold of p-value $< 3.4 \times 10^{-6}$ (53 diseases \times 279 genetic variants). Continuous phenotypes were residualized after adjusting for age, sex, genotyping array, and the first five principal components; linear regression was performed on residuals following inverse-normal transformation. For analysis of glycaemic traits (hemoglobin A1c and serum glucose), participants with type 1 or type 2 diabetes were excluded. An association with a continuous phenotype was deemed significant

at a Bonferroni-corrected threshold of $P\text{-value} < 5.6 \times 10^{-6}$ (32 continuous traits x 279 genetic variants).

Sex-specific analysis

Sex-stratified GWAS analyses were performed in UK Biobank using SAIGE and adjusting for the first five genetic principal components and the genotyping array, separately for men and women. Analyses were then extended to other participating studies ([Supplementary Table 6](#)). All sex-specific summary statistics were checked for quality control (QC) cohort-wise to exclude poorly imputed variants ($\text{info} < 0.4$), improbable betas ($> |4|$) and significant deviations from Hardy-Weinberg Equilibrium ($p\text{-value} < 1.0 \times 10^{-9}$). Cohort-wise sex-specific q-q plots were generated and inspected and the genomic inflation statistic (λ) was also calculated. Association summary statistics from all 17 studies were combined via inverse-variance weighted meta-analysis in GWAMA.[6, 7] We implemented three different types of meta-analysis: a) a sex-specific meta-analysis, where summary statistics were combined separately for men and women; b) a sex-combined meta-analysis, where effect estimates from men and women were combined assuming no between-sex heterogeneity; and c) a sex-differentiated meta-analysis, where sex-specific estimates were combined while allowing for heterogeneity between men and women. We excluded genetic variants that had a minor allele count < 10 or minor allele frequency < 0.01 , were only present in one study, or had a sample size below the median sample size in the sex-combined meta-analysis. To identify significant sex-differentiated genetic variants, we considered variants that had a $p\text{-value} \leq 5.0 \times 10^{-8}$ from the sex-differentiated meta-analysis and a sex-heterogeneity $p\text{-value} \leq 0.01$. Among the significantly associated genetic variants we then applied a 500kb pruning to identify the sex-differentiated CAD loci.

Derivation and training of polygenic risk scores

Polygenic risk scores (PRS) were derived using one of two methods – pruning and thresholding or the LDpred computational algorithm. European ancestry individuals ($N=503$) from the 1000 Genomes project were employed for the linkage disequilibrium panel. Two sets of PRS were created using either results from the current meta-analysis or from our previous 1000 Genomes-imputed GWAS of CAD involving ~60,000 cases. A spectrum of scores were constructed of varying sizes for each score derivation method and set of summary statistics. Specifically, pruning and thresholding-based scores were created using a combination of $p\text{-value}$ (1, 0.5, 0.05, 5×10^{-3} , 5×10^{-4} , 5×10^{-5} , 5×10^{-6} , 5×10^{-7} , 5×10^{-8}) and r^2 (0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 0.99) thresholds, yielding 45 distinct PRS for each of the two sets of GWAS summary statistics utilized (90 total pruning and thresholding-based scores). LDpred-based scores were constructed incorporating all available SNPs, HapMap3 SNPs (https://gnomad-public/resources/grch37/hapmap/hapmap_3.3.b37.vcf.bgz), or a soft LD-clumping approach using combinations of $p\text{-value}$ (0.05, 0.5, 1) and r^2 (0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 0.99) thresholds (17 total sets of input variants). Additionally, we employed a tuning parameter (ρ) for LDpred, which represents the fraction of causal variants, and tested all LDpred-based scores across a range of ρ parameters (1, 0.3, 0.1, 0.03, 0.01, 0.003, 0.001 and an infinitesimal model), yielding 136 distinct PRS per set of summary statistics utilized (272 total LDpred-based PRS).

PRS were computed using variants with high-quality imputation results available in the Malmö Diet and Cancer Study (MDC), defined by information score (INFO) > 0.3. For each participant, the raw PRS was generated by multiplying the genotype dosage for each risk-increasing allele by its respective weight and then summing across all variants in the score using PLINK2 software. To permit adjustment for genetic ancestry, principal components of ancestry were computed using the EIGENSOFT software package. The calculated raw PRS was ancestry-adjusted by taking the residual of a linear regression model that predicted PRS using the first ten principal components.

We trained all pruning and thresholding and LDpred PRS (362 total scores) in a subset of the MDC (n=22,872; n_{incident_cases}=3,307). Cox proportional hazard models were used to assess the time-to-event relationship between each PRS and incident CAD, with or without adjustment for age and sex. Bootstrapping analysis was performed (100 iterations) and the mean hazard ratio (HR) and mean area under the receiver operator characteristic curve (AUC; as calculated by Harrell's C-statistic) were reported as performance metrics to rank scores within each of four categories as classified by the PRS derivation method (pruning and thresholding; LDpred) and effect estimates utilized (2015 CAD GWAS; Current meta-analysis). Metrics for the top-performing PRS in each category were compared by Wilcoxon rank-sum test based on results of bootstrapping analyses.

Malmö Diet and Cancer study (MDC)

The Malmö Diet and Cancer Study is a prospective, population-based cohort that enrolled 30,447 participants between 1991 and 1996 ranging in age from 44 to 73 years. Baseline information on lifestyle and clinical factors was collected using a detailed questionnaire as previously described.[8] From the total study population, 28,556 participants (94%) who had genetic data available and were free of CAD at time of enrollment were analyzed. A subset of 5685 randomly selected participants, that comprised the Malmö Diet and Cancer Cardiovascular Cohort, had blood cholesterol concentrations recorded. Incident cases of CAD had either fatal or nonfatal myocardial infarction, coronary artery bypass graft surgery, percutaneous coronary angioplasty or death due to CAD. Incident event adjudication was available through December 31, 2016. Genotyping was performed using the Illumina GSA v1 genotyping array. Of 29,304 samples which underwent genotyping and were free from CAD at baseline, 28 556 (97%) were retained after quality control procedures that removed low-quality samples (discordance between reported and genetically inferred sex, low call rate (<90%), and sample duplicates). With respect to genetic variants, quality control was performed with removal of those not in Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (p -value< 1×10^{-15}). Imputation was then performed using the Haplotype Reference Consortium reference panel.

The FOURIER trial (and genetic subset)

The FOURIER trial was a multinational, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of the efficacy of evolocumab in patients with clinically evident atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease.[9] The key inclusion criteria for the trial were age between 40 and 85 years, LDL cholesterol of 70 mg/dl or greater or non-HDL-C of 100 mg/dl or greater, and a history of either myocardial infarction, non-hemorrhagic stroke, or symptomatic peripheral artery disease. The genetic sub-study included all participants in FOURIER who provided consent for genetic analyses at

enrollment into the trial and had genotyped data that passed quality control (QC), and were of European ancestry. The final genetic cohort comprised 14,298 unrelated European-ancestry participants, of whom 7,135 were in the placebo arm of the trial. There were no clinically important differences between the overall trial participants and the participants in the genetic subset.

Expression eQTL analysis in CAD-relevant tissues

We examined *cis*-eQTLs from CAD-relevant tissues in the Stockholm-Tartu Atherosclerosis Reverse Network Engineering Task (STARNET) eQTL study and the Genotype-Tissue Expression (GTEx) study to determine whether our CAD associations were driven by changes in gene expression in CAD-relevant tissues and cell types. For STARNET, we used *cis*-eQTL associations from seven tissues (atherosclerotic aortic root [AOR], atherosclerotic-lesion-free internal mammary artery [MAM], blood [BLD], liver [LIV], subcutaneous fat [SF], skeletal muscle [SKLM], and visceral abdominal fat [VAF]) taken from 600 CAD patients as previously described. We cross-referenced the sentinel CAD variants and their proxies ($r^2 \geq 0.8$) with STARNET eQTLs reaching a 5% FDR for all tissues. To ensure the CAD association and eQTL are likely to be driven by the same causal variant, we retained only those eQTLs where the CAD-associated variant and the lead eQTL variant had $r^2 \geq 0.8$ among European ancestry participants from UK Biobank. For GTEx we followed the same procedure using the v7 data release (<https://www.gtexportal.org/home/datasets>) and restricted to *cis*-eQTLs reaching a 5% FDR from eight tissues (adipose [subcutaneous, visceral omentum], adrenal gland, artery [aorta, coronary, tibial], liver and whole blood).

Polygenic prioritization of candidate causal genes (PoPS)

PoPS is a similarity-based gene prioritization method that utilizes the full genome-wide signal to nominate causal genes that is in contrast to more locus-based methods that focus on GWAS data proximal to the gene.[10] PoPS leverages polygenic enrichments of gene features including cell-type specific gene expression, curated biological pathways, and protein-protein interaction networks to compute a polygenic priority score (PoPS) for each gene (additional details in Supplementary Methods). Specifically, PoPS was used to train a linear model to predict gene-level association scores from gene features. First, MAGMA was applied to GWAS summary statistics using the 1000 Genomes Project reference panel,[11] which outputs gene-phenotype association p-values derived from the mean chi-square statistic of variants within the gene body. The gene p-values were converted to z-scores $z_g = F^{-1}(1 - p_g)$, where F^{-1} is the probit function. This yielded a roughly normally distributed variable that reflects the strength of the variant-phenotype association localized to variants within each gene body. However, these scores are contaminated by the effects of linkage disequilibrium, and are imperfect metrics to determine causal gene-phenotype relationships. Thus, PoPS incorporates additional biologically-relevant information by fitting a matrix of gene features to the MAGMA scores. In total, 57,543 features were considered for analysis, including data on gene expression, protein-protein interaction networks, and biological pathways (Supplementary Table 23). PoPS performs marginal feature selection (i.e. removes all features with marginal correlation > 0.05) in order to reduce the dimensionality of the regression, then performs a generalized least squares with L2 regularization to learn the coefficients of a linear model. L2 regularization is adjusted such that the leave-one-out cross-validation error is minimal. The predicted values, a kind of reconstituted MAGMA score,

are the PoP scores for each gene, with higher scores reflecting stronger evidence for a causal gene-phenotype relationship.

CRISPR-Cas9 genome editing in vascular cells

Human coronary artery vascular smooth muscle cells (Lonza CC-2583; culture media CC-31182) were used at passage five or earlier. Endothelial cell experiments were conducted with immortalized human aortic endothelial cells (ATCC CRL-4052; culture media Lifeline Cell Technology LL-0003). Monocyte experiments were conducted with THP-1 monocyte cells (ATCC TIB-202; culture media RPMI ATCC 30-2001, 10% FBS Sigma 12306C-500ML). Genome editing was performed as described previously [12]. Briefly, control guide (5'- gcactaccagagctaactca-3') or targeting guides are complexed with Cas9 for 15-20 minutes while preparing a cell suspension. 150-200k cells were suspended in supplemented SG solution and electroporated in nucleofector (V4XC-3032) with 50pMol sgRNA per sgRNA and 20pMol Cas9 per reaction (Synthego). Nucleofector programs were CA-210 for ECs, CM-137 for CA-SMCs and FF-100 for monocytes. Cells from each reaction were immediately split for DNA and RNA specimens. Cells were simultaneously harvested in a subconfluent state for DNA or RNA after 24-48 hours to check genome editing efficiency and gene expression. To generate 131bp enhancer deletion at rs7246865, paired guides were used (upstream guide 5'- accgggggucugacucacag-3'; downstream guide 5'- cuagagccaaauccacguca-3') and a 769bp amplicon was generated to access enhancer deletion (Forward primer 5'-ACACAGTTTCTGGGGGTGAG-3'; Reverse Primer 5'-AAAAGCTCAGTGGCTGCAAT-3'). Efficiency of single guide indels was determined with Sanger sequencing and TIDE analysis. Editing efficiency of enhancer deletion was assessed with PCR and agarose gel electrophoresis and densitometry using ImageJ (NIH).[13] Pooled guides were used to generate knockout of *MYO9B* (5'-caccaaauuuuugucugg-3', 5'-ggugcugcuauggccccggc-3', 5'-cugcguugcgcuccucgagc-3'; assessed with amplicon of 450bp Forward primer 5'-GAGTGTGAAAGAGGCAGGCA-3' & Reverse Primer 5'-AGGTCATCAAAGTCCGCCTG-3) and *HAUS8* (5'-cccaucucccuccaggugga-3'; 5'-caggacauucgccacggccc-3'; 5'-cgagaugcucagcccuucg-3'; assessed with amplicon of 438bp Forward Primer: 5'-TGCCCAAGGTTCAAATCCCA-3' & Reverse Primer 5'-CGCTGTATCTTAACCCTGC-3') with confirmation of knockout by PCR and electrophoresis. Control guides were commercially available (Synthego). DNA was harvested (QIAGEN DNAeasy blood and tissue) and regions were amplified by PCR (Qiagen HotStart Taq Polymerase) and assessed on 1-2% agarose gels stained with 1:250,000 ethidium bromide or eGels stained with Sybr Gold (Invitrogen).

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EPIC-CVD

EPIC-CVD is a case-cohort study nested within the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition (EPIC) cohort (1). The EPIC cohort consists of 366,521 women and 153,457 men, aged between 35 and 70 years at baseline, recruited from the population at 23 centres across 10 European countries (Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, The Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden and the UK) between 1992 and 2000. More than 93% of participants were of European ancestry. For EPIC-CVD, a representative subcohort of 17,634 participants was selected by simple random sampling, stratified by centre, from participants who had available stored blood and buffy coat samples (n=385,747) (2, 3).

For this GWAS analysis, prevalent or incident coronary artery disease cases were compared with non-cases from the subcohort. Coronary artery disease was defined as myocardial infarction, chronic ischaemic heart disease or angina using ICD9 (410-414) or ICD10 (I20-I25) codes. Methods used in the recruitment centres to determine first non-fatal CHD and stroke events included self-report and linkage with morbidity or hospital registries. For most centres, non-fatal events were further validated by a review of medical records and/or linkage with registries. Fatal events were generally determined through mortality registries (3).

EPIC complies with the Declaration of Helsinki, and all participants gave written informed consent before participating in this study. The study was approved by the local ethics committees of the participating centres and the Institutional Review Board of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC, Lyon). A list of the EPIC-CVD Principal Investigators can be found at the end of this Supplement. To avoid overlapping participants, EPIC-CVD was removed from the meta-analyses based on the CardioMetaboChip and Exome array.

deCODE

The aim of deCODE genetics in Reykjavik, Iceland, is to find associations between variations in the sequence of the genome and human phenotypes. Subjects with a broad range of phenotypes, their relatives, and control subjects have been recruited continuously since 1996 through a variety of research programs, including cardiovascular (4). We assigned coronary artery disease case status based on the relevant ICD-9 and ICD-10 codes and NCSP procedure codes from Landspítali – The National University Hospital, the only tertiary hospital in Iceland, and from the Causes of Death Register. Case status is updated annually. The control group consisted of individuals free of coronary artery disease.

The study was approved by the Data Protection Authority of Iceland and the National Bioethics Committee of Iceland (Approvals No. VSNb2015080003-03.01 and VSNb2015030022-03.01 with amendments). All participants donating samples signed informed consents. Personal identities of those contributing phenotypes and biological samples were encrypted with a third party system, provided by the Data Protection Authority of Iceland. To avoid overlapping participants, deCODE was removed from the meta-analysis based on the CardioMetaboChip array.

GerMIFS

The GerMIFS V cases consist of patients referred for coronary angiography, classified as MI cases, from Germany (5). Control samples were recruited as part of the Cooperative Health Research in the Augsburg Region, a population-based study to assess the health status of the population in Augsburg and the surrounding area. The GerMIFS VI cases consist of patients referred for coronary angiography, classified as CAD or MI cases based on the coronary angiogram, with a stenosis diameter of more than 50% in at least one coronary vessel from Germany (6). Control samples consist of patients referred for coronary angiography with exclusion of coronary artery disease and no history of atrial fibrillation. The GerMIFS VII cases consist of patients referred for coronary angiography, classified as CAD or MI cases, with a stenosis diameter of more than 50% in at least one coronary vessel, with a disease manifestation at young age, multivessel disease, history of previous MI/coronary artery bypass graft surgery and/or absence of traditional risk factors from Germany. Control samples were recruited as CAD-free individuals of the Heinz-Nixdorf-Recall Study which recruited samples in the area of Essen, Northrhine-Westfalia of a prospective cardio-vascular focused population-based cohort. The studies were approved by the local ethics committee and participants gave written informed consent before participating in this study, and the studies were conducted in accordance with the Declaration of Helsinki.

Greek Coronary Disease Cohort (GCC)

GCC is a case-control study conducted in Greece. CAD cases included participants hospitalized for acute coronary syndrome or diagnosed with Left Main CAD during hospitalization. Controls were drawn from the TEENs of Attica: Gene and Environment study (TEENAGE) (7) and from the Non-alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease study (NAFLD) case-control study. The GCC study had obtained local ethics approval and all patients had provided written informed consent prior to enrolment.

HUNT study

The Nord-Trøndelag Health Study (HUNT) is a population-based health survey conducted in the county of Nord-Trøndelag, Norway, where the entire county's population aged 20 years or older were invited to participate (8). Four waves of the survey have been conducted, HUNT1 [1984-1986], HUNT2 [1995-1997], HUNT3 [2006-2008], and HUNT4 [2017-2019], enrolling more than 123,000 individuals at one or more HUNT surveys with participation rates of 89%, 70%, 54%, and 54% respectively. We used a combination of hospital, out-patient, and emergency room discharge diagnoses (ICD-9 and ICD-10) to identify 7,710 CAD cases and 58,577 controls with genotype data. The 'intermediate CAD' phenotype was defined in HUNT as myocardial infarction (I21-I24, 410), chronic IHD (I25.1, I25.2, I25.5, I25.6, I25.7, I25.8, I25.9, 411, 412, 414.0, 414.8, 414.9), or self-reported history of CABG, which was used in the absence of ICD codes for CABG, triple heart bypass or PTCA. Angina cases (I20, 413) were excluded from controls. As a prospective study, we identify prevalent and incident cases. The genotyped cohort has 32748 males and 36887 females. Participation in the HUNT Study is based on informed consent, and the study has been approved by the Data Inspectorate and the Regional Ethics Committee for Medical Research in Norway. To avoid overlapping participants, HUNT was removed from the meta-analysis based on the Exome array.

Mass General Brigham Biobank

The Mass General Brigham Biobank is a large research data and sample repository comprising more than 100,000 participants that is embedded within the framework of the Mass General Brigham integrated health care system (9). Participants are prospectively enrolled in the context of outpatient visits, inpatient stays, and emergency department encounters. The Mass General Brigham Biobank contains banked samples (plasma, serum, DNA and buffy coats), genomic data, and other health information, including data from the electronic health record (EHR) at hospitals affiliated with the Mass General Brigham healthcare system – primarily the Massachusetts General Hospital and the Brigham and Women’s Hospital. Array-based genotyping was performed using either the Illumina Multi-Ethnic Genotyping Array, Expanded Multi-Ethnic Genotyping Array, or the Multi-Ethnic Global BeadChip Array (Illumina, Inc., San Diego, CA). We studied the first 13,667 genotyped participants from the Mass General Brigham Biobank with relevant clinical data available.

TIMI

Three cardiovascular outcomes trials from the TIMI Study Group were included in the GWAS analysis: PEGASUS-TIMI 54, ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48, and SAVOR-TIMI 53. These trials contributed a combined 26,737 patients (17,887 cases and 8,850 controls).

The PEGASUS-TIMI 54 trial was a multinational, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of the efficacy of ticagrelor among patients with prior MI (10). The inclusion criteria were age of at least 50 years old with one additional high-risk feature: 65 years or older, diabetes, a second MI, multivessel coronary artery disease, or renal dysfunction. Exclusion criteria included known bleeding disorder, gastrointestinal bleeding within 6 months, history of ischemic stroke, intracranial bleeding, central nervous system abnormality, surgery within 30 days, or planned use of P2Y₁₂ receptor antagonist, dipyridamole, cilostazol, or an anticoagulant. Patients were randomized 1:1:1 to either ticagrelor 90 mg twice daily, 60 mg twice daily, or placebo and followed for a median of 2.8 years. The mean age of the study population was 65 years old and 76% were men. Comorbidities included smoking (17%), hypertension (78%), diabetes (32%), prior PCI (83%), and prior CABG (60%). All 10,607 patients who consented for genetic analysis, passed QC, and were of European ancestry were included in this GWAS analysis.

ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48 was a 3-arm multinational, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial comparing two doses of the Xa inhibitor edoxaban to warfarin in patients with atrial fibrillation (11). The inclusion criteria were age of at least 21 years old with atrial fibrillation, a CHADS₂ score of 2 or higher, and on anticoagulation. Exclusion criteria included atrial fibrillation with reversible etiology, kidney dysfunction, high risk of bleeding, use of DAPT, significant mitral stenosis, or recent cardiovascular events. Patients were randomized 1:1:1 to either warfarin, low dose edoxaban, or high dose edoxaban and followed for a median of 2.8 years. The mean age of the study population was 72 years old and 62% were men. Comorbidities included diabetes (38%), stroke (28%), and heart failure (57%). All 9,647 patients who consented for genetic analysis, passed QC, and were of European ancestry were included in this GWAS analysis.

The SAVOR-TIMI 53 trial was a multinational, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of the DPP4 inhibitor saxagliptin in diabetics (12). The inclusion criteria were age of at least 40 years with type 2 diabetes mellitus, a glycated hemoglobin of 6.5% to 12.0%, and either established cardiovascular disease or multiple cardiovascular risk factors. Key exclusion criteria included end-stage renal disease, kidney transplantation, or incretin-based therapy within 6 months. Patients were randomized 1:1 to receive saxagliptin or placebo and followed for a median of 2.9 years. The mean age of the study population was 65 years old and 67% were men. Comorbidities included atherosclerosis (78%) and HTN (81%). All 6,483 patients who consented for genetic analysis, passed QC, and were of European ancestry were included in this GWAS analysis.

UK Biobank

UK Biobank (UKB) is a prospective study of approximately 500,000 individuals comprising members of the UK population aged 40-69 collected from multiple sites across the United Kingdom from 2006-2010 (14). For GWAS we utilized version 3 of the UK Biobank genotype data which was imputed to 1000 Genomes, UK10K, and Haplotype Reference Consortium panels (<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41586-018-0579-z>, 10.1038/ng.3679) for 472,335 individuals of European ancestry that had not withdrawn consent for study as of April, 2018. 33,941 cases were defined as prevalent or incident MI or intervention (CABG, PTCA) ascertained from Hospital Episode Statistics or self-report; or IHD death ascertained from Office of National Statistic. 438,394 controls were taken from the remaining population considered to be CAD and angina free. The minimum MAF for testing was 1×10^{-6} .

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SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 1 Predictors for most likely causal genes strongly prioritized by three agreeing predictors.

Sentinel variant	Prioritized gene(s)	Number of supporting predictors	Nearest gene	Monogenic disorder	Previous rare variant	Protein-altering variant	Drug / MR	PopS	eQTL	Mouse knock-out
rs2493298	PRDM16	3								
rs61776719	FHL3	3								
rs56170783	PPAP2B	3								
rs61797068	NGF	3								
rs148812085	NBEAL1	3								
rs2161967	TNS1	3								
rs283485	GIGYF2	3								
rs10410487	MAP15	3								
rs185244	MRAS	3								
rs13124853	ZNF827	3								
rs17263917	SEMA5A	3								
rs111806192	XPO6	3								
rs4074793	ITGA1	3								
rs112635299	SERPINA1	3								
rs112949822	FER	3								
rs688398	FBN2	3								
rs9469899	UHRF1BP1	3								
rs6905288	VEGFA	3								
rs10455872	LPA	3								
	PLG	3								
rs1177562	VPS11	3								
rs12468870	AAK1	3								
rs56408342	BMP1	3								
rs12500824	SHROOM3	3								
rs2001846	TRIB1	3								
rs13222797	CFTR	3								
rs885150	DAB2IP	3								
rs9337951	JCAD	3								
rs1536608	DOCK8	3								
rs55753709	PLCE1	3								
rs884811	LOXL4	3								
rs2672592	HTRA1	3								
rs11601507	TRIM5	3								
rs11316597	ARNTL	3								
rs1892971	MMP13	3								
rs7118294	WT1	3								
rs72447384	C15	3								
rs2681472	ATP2B1	3								
rs11107903	FGD6	3								
rs10774625	ATXN2	3								
rs34606058	TBX3	3								
rs2457480	CXCL12	3								
rs2492304	SLC2A12	3								
rs17086617	FLT1	3								
rs4907571	F10	3								
rs10131894	MLH3	3								
	EIF2B2	3								
rs56062135	SMAD3	3								
rs7177201	ADAMTS7	3								
rs34917849	GEM	3								
rs35510806	CENPW	3								
rs3935875	GPSM1	3								
rs7189462	PLCG2	3								
rs4452	SYN3	3								
rs7500448	CDH13	3								
rs4790881	SMG6	3								
rs8068844	PTRF	3								
rs11655024	BCAS3	3								
rs2410859	UNC13D	3								
rs9945890	SMAD7	3								
rs12965923	LIPG	3								
rs11663411	LMAN1	3								
rs5820757	ZNF652	3								
rs6006426	OSM	3								
rs7246865	MYO9B	3								
rs1800469	B902	3								
	TGFB1	3								
rs62405422	TFAP2B	3								
rs646668	AFAP1L2	3								
rs6656344	CCDC30	3								
	LEPRE1	3								
rs1132274	RRBP1	3								
rs6953441	ZKSCAN1	3								
rs6088595	NCOA6	3								
rs2207132	MAFB	3								
rs8124182	PLTP	3								
rs71313931	ARVCF	3								
rs12484557	CABIN1	3								
rs75082222	NRP1	3								
rs8046696	BCAR1	3								
rs139012	SCUBE1	3								

The matrix denotes predictors that supported the mostly likely causal gene (colored red) for each of 125 most likely causal genes with at least three predictors that supported the gene. Genes are ordered by number of agreeing predictors. Lines denote three associations for which two genes were tied for the highest number of agreeing predictors. The sentinel variant for the association with the smallest P-value for CAD is shown for each gene.

Full details of the causal gene prioritization evidence for all 279 genome-wide associations are presented in [Supplementary Table 31](#).