S1 | APPENDIX: ADDITIONAL FIGURES AND TABLES

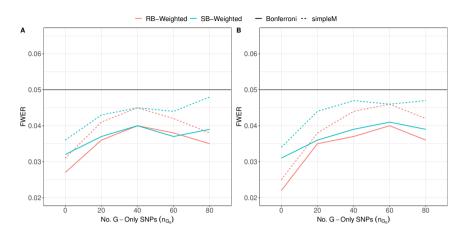


FIGURE S1 Estimated FWER when n_G *G*-only effects are present ($n_G \in \{10, 20, 40, 80\}$) each explaining $R_G^2 \times 100\%$ of the variation in the quantitative trait. RB-Weighted: Rank-based two-step weighted testing with initial bin size 5 in Step 1; SB-Weighted: Significance-based weighted hypothesis testing with $\tau = (0, 5/25000, 15/25000, ..., 1)$ as the *p*-value cutoffs in Step 1. Bonferroni: Standard Bonferroni correction within bin; simpleM: The simpleM procedure proposed by Gao et al. (2008) with C = 0.995. Results are averaged over 5000 simulations. Panel A: $R_{G_{25}}^2 = R_{G_{25} \times E}^2 = R_G^2 = 0.005$, N = 2,000; Panel B: $R_{G_{25}}^2 = R_G^2 = 0.005$, $R_E^2 = 0.0025$, N = 4,000.

TABLE S1 Estimated FWER when n_G *G*-only effects are present ($n_G \in \{10, 20, 40, 80\}$) and the total amount of variation explained is fixed at 40% ($R_G^2 = 0.4/n_G$). RB-Weighted: Rank-based weighted hypothesis testing proposed by Ionita-Laza et al. (2007) with $B_0 = 5$; SB-Weighted: Our proposed significance-based weighted hypothesis testing with $\tau = (0, 5/25000, 15/25000, ..., 1)$ as the *p*-value cutoffs. Bonferroni: Standard Bonferroni correction within bin; simple *M*: The simpleM procedure proposed by Gao et al. (2008) with C = 0.995. Results are averaged over 5000 simulations.

| $n_G =$ | 10 | 20 | 40 | 80 |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $R_{G}^{2} =$ | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.005 |
| RB-Weighted | | | | |
| Bonferroni | 0.044 | 0.040 | 0.035 | 0.036 |
| simple M | 0.045 | 0.045 | 0.039 | 0.039 |
| SB-Weighted | | | | |
| Bonferroni | 0.037 | 0.037 | 0.036 | 0.036 |
| simple M | 0.045 | 0.045 | 0.043 | 0.044 |

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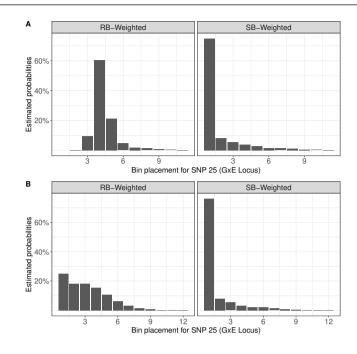


FIGURE S2 Bar chart of bin placement for the 25th SNP (i.e. $G \times E$ locus) in Step 1 over 5,000 simulations. RB-Weighted: Rank-based weighted hypothesis testing using with initial bin size B_0 in Step 1; SB-Weighted: Significance-based weighted hypothesis testing using $\tau = (0, B_0/25000, 3B_0/25000, ..., 1)$ as the *p*-value cutoffs in Step 1. Simulation parameters: $R_{G_{25}}^2 = R_{G_{25}\times E}^2$, $R_E^2 = 0.005$, N = 2,000, M = 25,000. Panel A) $n_G = 10$ G-only SNPs each with $R_G^2 = 0.04$; Panel B: $n_G = 80$ G-only SNPs each with $R_G^2 = 0.005$.

S2 | APPENDIX: SIMULATION SETUP

Let **G** be an $N \times M$ genotype matrix for N individuals and M SNPs. We partition the M SNPs into blocks of 50 SNPs such that $\mathbf{G} = [\mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, ...]$ where \mathbf{G}_j is the *j*th block of $N \times 50$ SNPs. Each \mathbf{G}_j is simulated based on sampled minor allele frequencies (MAFs) and LD-matrices from the 1000 Genomes Project. For clarity, we denote G_j as the *j*th SNP and \mathbf{G}_j as the *j*th block. Quantitative traits are simulated according to the following linear model:

$$Y = \beta_{G_{25}}G_{25} + \beta_E E + \beta_{G_{25} \times E}(G_{25} \times E) + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{G}} \beta_{G_j}G_j + \epsilon,$$

where $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2 I)$ for some $\sigma_{\epsilon}^2 > 0$, *E* is the exposure variable (assumed to be binary) with $\Pr(E = 1) = 0.3$ and *G* corresponds to the set of SNPs that are only marginally associated with the outcome but have no $G \times E$ effect (*G*-only loci). By construction, the 25th SNP within block 1 (\mathbf{G}_1) has a true $G \times E$ effect on the outcome (i.e. the $G \times E$ locus). σ_{ϵ}^2 was chosen to explain the remaining variance in the outcome after accounting for the variance explained by the causal $G \times E$ locus, the exposure, and the *G*-only loci across the different scenarios outlined in the main text.

The M = 25,0000 genotypes are simulated in blocks ($\mathbf{G} = [\mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, \dots, \mathbf{G}_{500}]$) such that each block consists of 50 SNPs drawn from a mean zero multivariate normal distribution with variance-covariance matrix based on the LD pattern derived from a sampled region of the 1000 Genomes Project. The normal variates are then trichotomized into genotypes based on the 1000 Genomes Project derived MAFs assuming Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium. Thus, genotypes are correlated within a block but independent across blocks. Define $\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{V}_1, \dots, \mathbf{V}_{500}]$ and $\mathbf{f} = (\mathbf{f}_1, \dots, \mathbf{f}_{500})$, where \mathbf{V}_j is a 50 × 50 LD matrix and f_j is the corresponding vector of minor allele frequencies (MAF) of the 50 SNPs for $j = 1, \dots, 500$. Both \mathbf{V}_j and f_j are derived from a randomly sampled region from the 1000 Genomes Project. To avoid storing 500 unique values of \mathbf{V}_j and f_j , we only store 50 unique values (randomly sampled regions), and recycled them such that the $(\mathbf{V}_1, \mathbf{f}_1) = (\mathbf{V}_{51}, \mathbf{f}_{51}) = (\mathbf{V}_{101}, \mathbf{f}_{101}), \dots$, $(\mathbf{V}_2, \mathbf{f}_2) = (\mathbf{V}_{52}, \mathbf{f}_{52}) = (\mathbf{V}_{102}, \mathbf{f}_{102}), \dots, (\mathbf{V}_3, \mathbf{f}_3) = (\mathbf{V}_{53}, \mathbf{f}_{53}) = (\mathbf{V}_{103}, \mathbf{f}_{103}), \dots$

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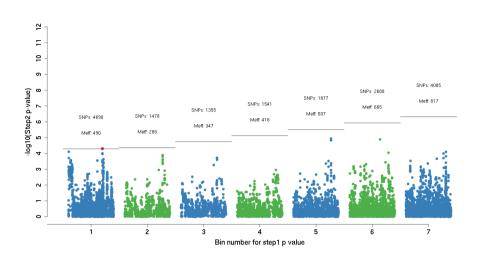


FIGURE S3 Results from the supplemental *G*-by-sex interaction scan using the SB-weighted testing approach applied to the FIGI consortium data (N = 89, 304, M = 7, 809, 725) with relaxed bin thresholding. x-axis: Bins are based on the marginal outcome-gene association statistic (e.g. SNPs that have a Step 1 statistic < 15/M are included in bin 1). y-axis: *p*-value of the $G \times E$ association provided by the GWIS (on the $-\log_{10}$ scale). Number of SNPs in each bin as well as the effective number of independent SNPs (Meff) using the simple *M* approach are included. Horizontal line indicates the threshold the Step 2 *p*-value must cross to be statistically significant, maintaining the overall FWER=0.05. Only SNPs in the first 7 bins are shown in this figure.

To simulate allelic dosages, first let $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{500}] \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{V})$ be a $N \times M$ matrix of mean zero normal variates with block correlation structure **V**. Letting $G_{i,k}$ and $X_{i,k}$ be the *i*th row of the *k*th column of **G** and **X** ($i = 1, \dots, N; k = 1, \dots, M$), respectively, and f_k being the *k*th element of **f**,

$$G_{i,k} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } X_{i,k} < \Phi(f_k^2) \\ 1 & \text{if } \Phi(f_k^2) \le X_{i,k} < \Phi(f_{1,j}^2 + 2f_k(1 - f_k)) \\ 2 & \text{if } \Phi(f_k^2 + 2f_k(1 - f_k)) \le X_{i,k} \end{cases}$$

where $\Phi(\cdot)$ is the cumulative distribution function of the standard normal distribution.