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# Multi-ancestry sleep-by-SNP interaction analysis in 126,926 individuals reveals lipid loci stratified by sleep duration

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Both short and long sleep are associated with an adverse lipid profile, likely through different biological pathways. To elucidate the biology of sleep-associated adverse lipid profile, we conduct multi-ancestry genome-wide sleep-SNP interaction analyses on three lipid traits (HDL-c, LDL-c and triglycerides). In the total study sample (discovery + replication) of 126,926 individuals from 5 different ancestry groups, when considering either long or short total sleep time interactions in joint analyses, we identify 49 previously unreported lipid loci, and 10 additional previously unreported lipid loci in a restricted sample of European-ancestry cohorts. In addition, we identify new gene-sleep interactions for known lipid loci such as *LPL* and *PCSK9*. The previously unreported lipid loci have a modest explained variance in lipid levels: most notable, gene-short-sleep interactions explain 4.25% of the variance in triglyceride level. Collectively, these findings contribute to our understanding of the biological mechanisms involved in sleep-associated adverse lipid profiles.

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**D**yslipidemia is defined as abnormalities in one or more types of lipids, such as high blood LDL-cholesterol (LDL-c) and triglyceride (TG) concentrations and a low HDL-cholesterol (HDL-c) concentration. High LDL-c and TG are well-established modifiable causal risk factors for cardiovascular disease<sup>1–3</sup>, and therefore are a primary focus for preventive and therapeutic interventions. Over 300 genetic loci are identified to be associated with blood lipid concentrations<sup>4–10</sup>. Recent studies showed that only 12.3% of the total variance in lipid concentration is explained by common single-nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs), suggesting additional lipid loci could be uncovered<sup>10</sup>. Some of the unexplained heritability may be due to the presence of gene–environment and gene–gene interactions. Recently, high levels of physical activity were shown to modify the effects of four genetic loci on lipid levels<sup>11</sup>, an additional 18 previously unreported lipid loci were identified when considering interactions with high alcohol consumption<sup>12</sup>, and 13 previously unreported lipid loci were identified when considering interaction with smoking status<sup>13</sup>, suggesting that behavioural factors may interact with genetic loci to influence lipid levels.

Sleep is increasingly recognised as a fundamental behaviour that influences a wide range of physiological processes<sup>14</sup>. A large volume of epidemiological research implicates disturbed sleep in the pathogenesis of atherosclerosis<sup>15</sup>, and specifically, both a long and short sleep duration are associated with an adverse blood lipid profile<sup>16–26</sup>. However, it is unknown whether sleep duration modifies genetic risk factors for adverse blood lipid profiles. We hypothesise that short and long habitual sleep duration may modify genetic associations with blood lipid levels. The identification of SNPs involved in such interactions will facilitate our understanding of the biological background of sleep-associated adverse lipid profiles.

We investigate gene–sleep duration interaction effects on blood lipid levels as part of the Gene-Lifestyle Interactions Working Group within the Cohorts for Heart and Aging Research in Genomic Epidemiology (CHARGE) Consortium<sup>27,28</sup>. To permit the detection of both such sleep-duration–SNP interactions and lipid–SNP associations accounting for total sleep duration, a two degree of freedom (2df) test that jointly tests the SNP-main and SNP-interaction effect was applied<sup>29</sup>. Given that there are differences among ancestry groups in sleep behaviours and lipid levels, analysis of data from cohorts of varying ancestries facilitate the discovery of robust interactions between genetic loci and sleep traits. We focus on short total sleep time (STST; defined as the lower 20% of age- and sex-adjusted sleep duration residuals) and long total sleep time (LTST; defined as the upper 20% of age- and sex-adjusted sleep duration residuals) as exposures compared with the remaining individuals in the study population, given that each extreme sleep trait are associated with multiple adverse metabolic and health outcomes<sup>15–26,30–34</sup>. Within this study, we report multi-ancestry sleep-by-SNP interaction analyses for blood lipid levels that successfully identified several previously unreported loci for blood lipid traits.

## Results

**Study population.** Discovery analyses were performed in up to 62,457 individuals (40,041 European-ancestry, 14,908 African-ancestry, 4460 Hispanic-ancestry, 2379 Asian-ancestry and 669 Brazilian/mixed-ancestry individuals) from 21 studies spanning five different ancestry groups (Supplementary Tables 1 and 2; Supplementary Data 1). Of the total discovery analysis, 13,046 (20.9%) individuals were classified as short sleepers and 12,317 (19.7%) individuals as long sleepers. Replication analyses were performed in up to 64,469 individuals (47,612 European-ancestry, 12,578 Hispanic-ancestry, 3133 Asian-ancestry and 1146 African-

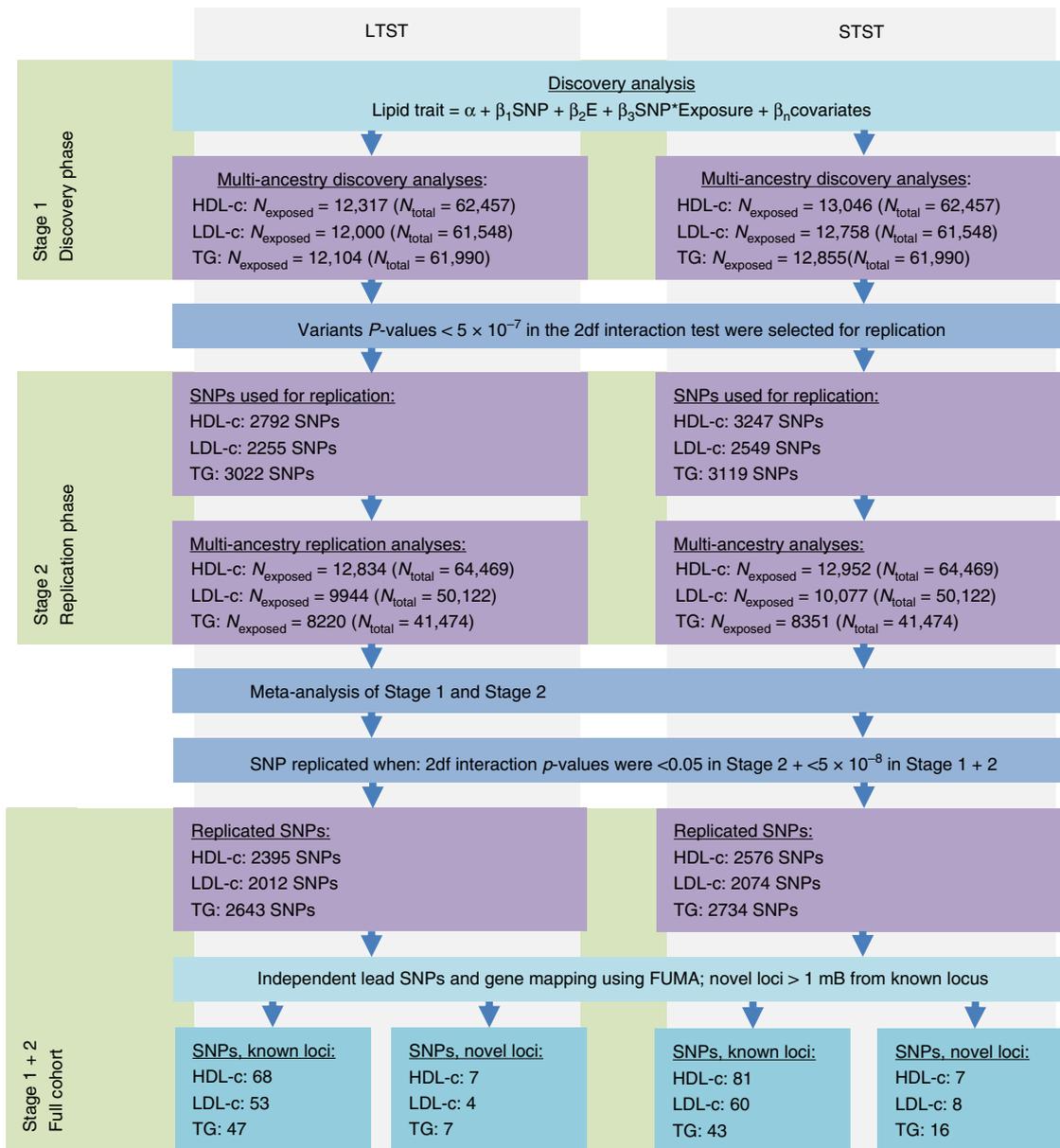
ancestry individuals) from 19 studies spanning four different ancestry groups (Supplementary Tables 3 and 4; Supplementary Data 2). Of the total replication analysis, 12,952 (20.1%) individuals were classified as short sleepers and 12,834 (19.9%) individuals as long sleepers.

**Genome-wide SNP–sleep interaction analyses.** An overview of the multi-ancestry analyses process for both STST and LTST is presented in Fig. 1. QQ plots of the combined multi-ancestry and European meta-analysis of the discovery and replication analysis are presented in Supplementary Figs. 1 and 2. Lambda values ranged between 1.023 and 1.055 (trans-ancestry meta-analysis) before the second genomic control and were all 1 after second genomic control correction. In the combined discovery and replication meta-analyses comprising all contributing ancestry groups, we found that many SNPs replicated for the lipid traits ( $P_{\text{joint}}$  in replication  $< 0.05$  with similar directions of effect as in the discovery analyses and  $P_{\text{joint}}$  in combined discovery and replication analysis  $< 5 \times 10^{-8}$ ). Notably, we replicated 2395 and 2576 SNPs for HDL-c, 2012 and 2074 SNPs for LDL-c, and 2643 and 2734 SNPs for TG in the joint model with LTST and STST, respectively.

Most of the replicated SNPs were mapped to known loci (Supplementary Data 3 and 4). We looked at the 427 known lipid SNPs (Supplementary Data 5), but these did not reveal significant 1df interactions with either LTST or STST. In addition, we identified lead SNPs mapping to previously unreported regions when considering the joint model with potential interaction for either STST or LTST ( $> 1$  Mb distance from known locus). Ultimately, in the multi-ancestry analysis, we identified 14 previously unreported loci for HDL-c, 12 for LDL-c and 23 ci for TG ( $R^2 < 0.1$ ; Fig. 2). Of these, seven loci for HDL-c, four loci for LDL-c and seven loci for TG were identified after considering an interaction with LTST (Supplementary Data 6). Furthermore, 7 loci for HDL-c, 8 loci for LDL-c and 16 loci for TG were identified when considering an interaction with STST (Supplementary Data 7). Importantly, none of these loci for the three lipid traits identified through LTST were identified in the analyses with STST, and vice versa. Furthermore, these lipid loci were specific to a single-lipid trait. Regional plots of the previously unreported loci from the multi-ancestry analyses are presented in Supplementary Figs. 3–8. Some of the previously unreported SNPs identified through modelling a short or long sleep duration interaction (1df) also showed suggestive evidence of association with lipid levels in the joint model (2df interaction test). However, this pattern suggested a main effect that appeared once sleep duration was adjusted for rather than an effect due to an interaction between sleep and the SNP (Supplementary Data 6, 7).

Using the R-based VarExp package<sup>35</sup>, we calculated the explained variance based on the summary statistics of the combined discovery and replication analysis. Collectively, previously unreported lead lipid SNPs identified with LTST explained 0.97% of the total HDL-c variation, 0.13% of the total LDL-c variation and 1.51% of the total TG variation. In addition, the previously unreported SNPs identified with STST explained 1.00% of the total HDL-c variation, 0.38% of the total LDL-c variation and 4.25% of the total TG variation.

In the analyses restricted to European-ancestry individuals (overview Supplementary Fig. 9), we identified ten additional previously unreported loci (seven with LTST and three with STST; Supplementary Fig. 10), which were not identified in the multi-ancestry analyses. Of these, we identified four loci for HDL-c, two loci for LDL-c and one locus for TG with LTST (Supplementary Data 8). In addition, we identified one locus for HDL-c and two for TG with STST (Supplementary Data 9).



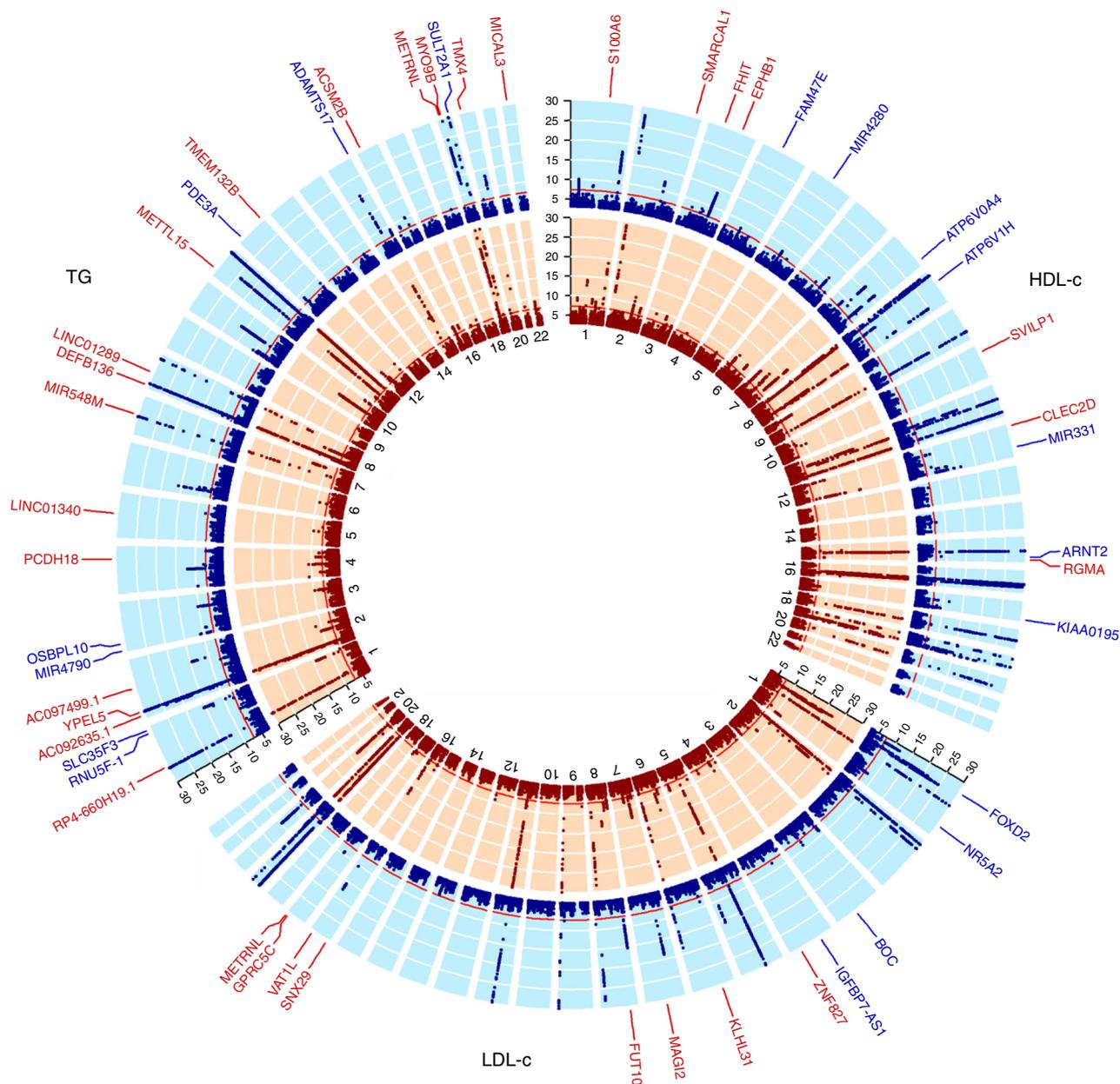
**Fig. 1** Project overview and SNP selection in the multi-ancestry analyses. Project overview of the multi-ancestry analyses of how the new lipid loci were identified in the present project. Replicated variants had to have 2df interaction test  $P$ -values of Stage 1  $< 5 \times 10^{-7}$ , Stage 2  $< 0.05$  with a similar direction of effect as in the discovery meta-analysis, and Stage 1 + 2  $< 5 \times 10^{-8}$

Again, we observed no overlapping findings between the two sleep exposures and the three lipid traits. Regional plots of the previously unreported loci were presented in Supplementary Figs. 11–15.

**Gene mapping of known and previously unreported loci.** Based on a total of 402 lead SNPs in known and previously unreported regions for both exposures and the three lipid traits that were identified using the joint test in the combined sample of discovery and replication studies, we subsequently explored the extent the effects were driven by 1df interaction with the sleep exposure trait being tested<sup>29</sup>. We corrected the 1df interaction  $P$ -value for multiple testing using the false discovery rate<sup>36</sup> considering all 402 lead SNPs for the present investigation, which was equivalent in our study to a 1df interaction  $P$ -value  $< 5 \times 10^{-4}$ . Overall, in the multi-ancestry meta-analyses, the previously unreported lipid loci show clearly stronger interaction with either LTST or STST than the loci defined as known (Fig. 3). The majority of these

identified lead variants were generally common, with minor allele frequencies (MAF) mostly  $> 0.2$ , and SNP  $\times$  sleep interaction effects were not specifically identified in lower frequency SNPs (e.g., MAF  $< 0.05$ ).

Out of the seven previously unreported HDL-c loci identified in the joint model with LTST, six had a 1df interaction  $P$ -value<sub>FDR</sub>  $< 0.05$ , notably lead SNPs mapped to *ATP6V1H*, *ARTN2*, *ATP6V0A4*, *KIAA0195*, *MIR331* and *MIR4280*. Based on exposure-stratified analyses in the meta-analysis of the discovery cohorts, we further explored the effect sizes per exposure group. The lead SNPs that showed significant sleep  $\times$  SNP interaction also showed effect estimates that modestly differed between LTST exposure groups (Supplementary Data 10). Interestingly, two lead SNPs near known HDL-c loci showed a 1df interaction  $P$ -value<sub>FDR</sub>  $< 0.05$ , including SNPs near *CETP* and *LIPC* (Supplementary Data 4). Out of the seven previously unreported HDL-c loci identified in the joint model with STST, we found six loci with a 1df interaction  $P$ -value<sub>FDR</sub>  $< 0.05$ , notably



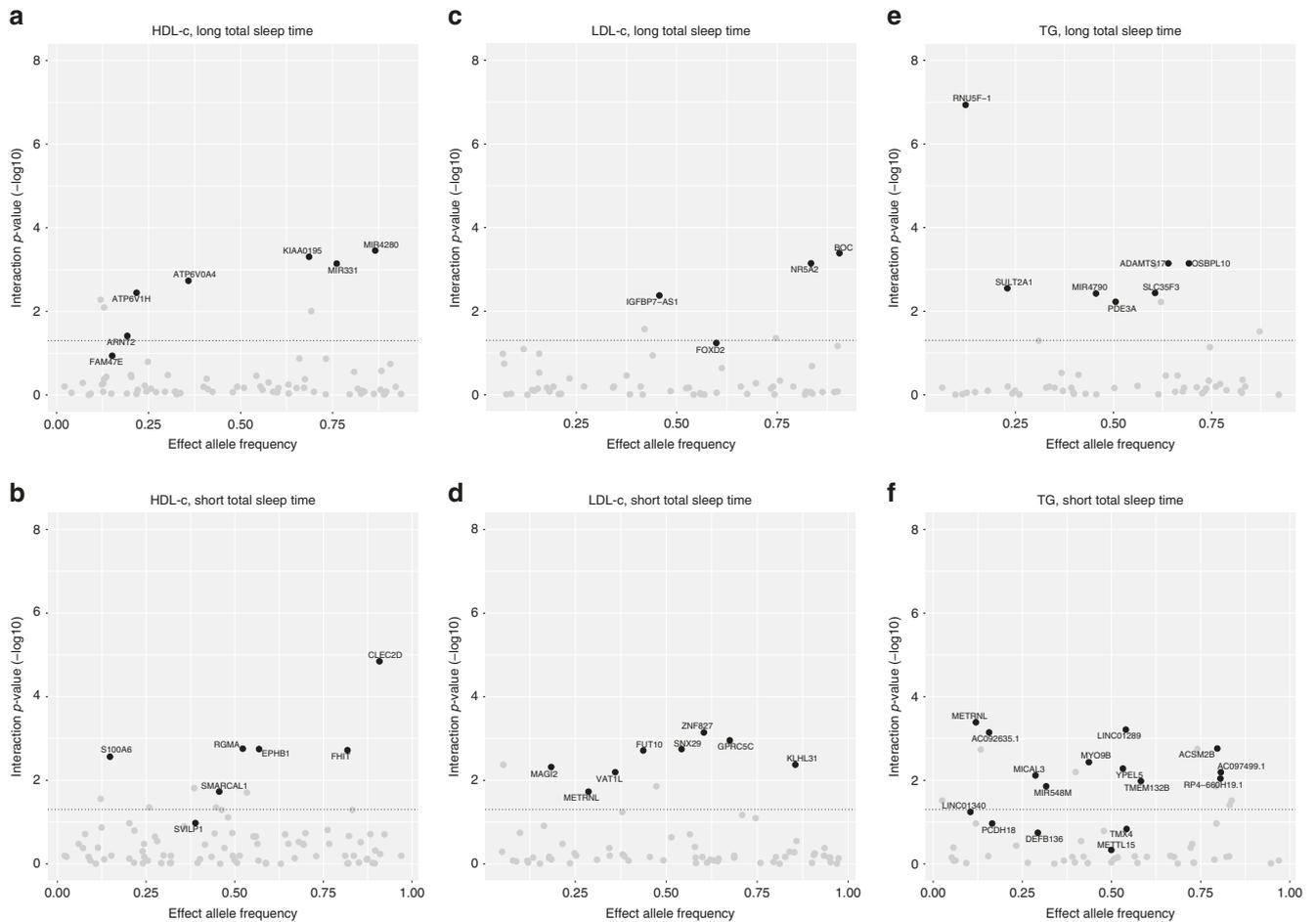
**Fig. 2**  $\log(P\text{-value of 2df interaction analyses})$  plots of the multi-ancestry analyses. Plot visualises the  $-\log(P\text{-values in the 2df interaction test})$  for HDL-c, LDL-c and TG per chromosome. In red (inner circle) are the  $-\log(P\text{-value})$  plots for the analyses taking into account potential interaction with short total sleep time. In blue (outer circle) are the  $-\log(P\text{-value})$  plots for the analyses taking into account potential interaction with long total sleep time. Loci defined as novel and replicated are labelled. Replicated variants had to have 2df interaction test  $P\text{-values of Stage 1} < 5 \times 10^{-7}$ , Stage 2  $< 0.05$  with a similar direction of effect as in the discovery meta-analysis and Stage 1 + 2  $< 5 \times 10^{-8}$ . Labelled gene names in red were identified in the STST analysis; labelled gene names in blue were identified in the LTST analysis. All  $-\log(P\text{-value in the 2df interaction test}) > 30$  were truncated to 30 for visualisation purposes only. The unlabelled regions with  $P < 5 \times 10^{-8}$  in the 2df interaction test were in known loci. Figure prepared using the R package circlize<sup>104</sup>

lead SNPs mapped to *S100A6*, *SMARCA1*, *RGMA*, *EPHB1*, *FHIT* and *CLEC2D*. Again, their effect estimates differed between the exposure groups in the discovery multi-ancestry meta-analysis (Supplementary Data 11; Fig. 4). Some lead SNPs near known HDL-c loci showed evidence of a 1df interaction with STST (e.g., *MADD* and *LPL*;  $P\text{-value}_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$ ).

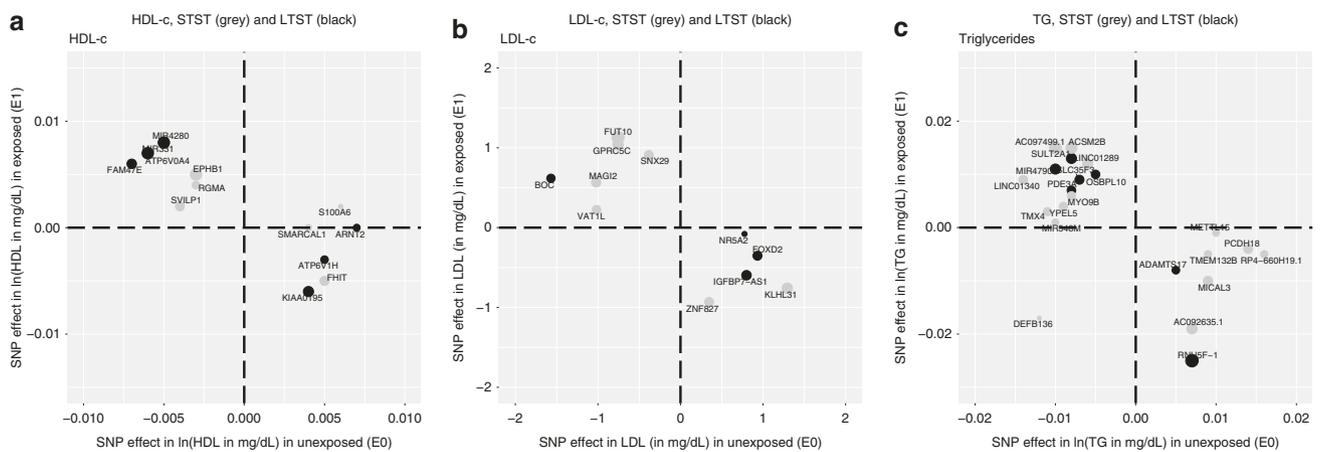
For all four lead SNPs in previously unreported regions associated with LDL-c when considering LTST, we observed a 1df interaction  $P\text{-value}_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$ ; notably, lead SNPs mapped to *IGFBP7-AS1*, *FOXD2*, *NR5A2* and *BOC*. One locus that mapped within a 1Mb physical distance from known LDL-c locus (*PCSK9*) showed 1df interaction with LTST (Supplementary Data 4). Similarly, all eight lead SNPs in previously unreported

regions associated with LDL-c when considering STST, had a 1df interaction  $P\text{-value}_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$ ; notably, lead SNPs mapped to *MAGI2*, *METRNL*, *VAT1L*, *FUT10*, *SNX29*, *ZNF827*, *GPRC5C* and *KLHL31*. In addition, of the known LDL-c loci, lead SNPs mapped within a physical distance of 1Mb of *APOB* and *SLC22A1* showed a 1df interaction  $P\text{-value}_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$  (Supplementary Data 5). For both analyses, we observed that effect estimates differed between the LTST and STST exposure groups in the multi-ancestry discovery analysis (Supplementary Data 10 and 11; Fig. 4).

All seven SNPs in previously unreported regions associated with TG when considering LTST, had a 1df interaction  $P\text{-value}_{\text{FDR}} < 0.05$ ; notably, lead SNPs mapped to *RNU5F-1*,



**Fig. 3** Sleep-interactions in known and previously unreported regions. Plot displaying the  $-\log(P\text{-value})$  of the 1df interaction between the SNP and either LTST or STST on the lipid trait after correction for multiple testing using false discovery rate against the allele frequency of the effect allele. Dotted horizontal line resembles the cut-off for the 1df interaction  $P\text{-value}_{FDR} < 0.05$  after correction for multiple testing using false discovery rate. In black are the novel loci for lipid traits; in grey are the identified lead SNPs mapped within a 1-Mb physical distance from a known lipid locus. Visualisation of the plots was performed using the R package ggplot2<sup>105</sup>. **a** HDL-c, long total sleep time; **b** HDL-c, short total sleep time; **c** LDL-c, long total sleep time; **d** LDL-c, short total sleep time; **e** triglycerides, long total sleep time; **f** triglycerides, short total sleep time



**Fig. 4** Comparison of SNP-main effects stratified by exposure. X-axis displays the effect sizes of the novel lead SNPs as observed in the meta-analyses of the unexposed individuals (LTST = '0', STST = '0'). Y-axis displays the effect sizes of the novel lead SNPs as observed in the meta-analyses of the exposed individuals (LTST = '1', STST = '1'). In black are the novel lead SNPs identified with LTST; in grey are the novel lead SNPs identified with STST. Sizes of the dots were weighted to the difference observed between exposed and unexposed. Visualisation of the plots was performed using the R package ggplot2<sup>105</sup>. **a** HDL-c; **b** LDL-c; **c** triglycerides

*SULT2A1*, *MIR4790*, *PDE3A*, *SLC35F3*, *ADAMTS17* and *OSBPL10*. In addition, we found some evidence for long sleep–SNP interaction in lead SNPs near known TG loci, including lead SNPs near *AKR1C4* and *NAT2* (Supplementary Data 4). Of the 16 lead SNPs in previously unreported regions associated with TG when considering STST, we observed 12 lead SNPs with a 1df interaction  $P$ -value  $< 5 \times 10^{-4}$  ( $P$ -value<sub>FDR</sub>  $< 0.05$ ), including lead SNPs mapped to *LINC0140*, *METRN1*, *AC092635.1*, *MICAL3*, *MIR548M*, *MYO9B*, *YPEL5*, *LINC01289*, *TMEM132B*, *ACSM2B*, *AC097499.1* and *RP4-660H19.1*. In addition, we observed some lead SNPs within 1 Mb physical distance from known TG loci, such as *MMP3* and *NECTIN2* (Supplementary Data 5). For both LTST and STST analyses, we again observed differing effects dependent on the exposure group in the discovery meta-analyses (Supplementary Data 10 and 11; Fig. 4).

**Look-ups and bioinformatics analyses.** Based on the lead SNPs mapped to the previously unreported loci, we conducted a look-up in GWAS summary statistics data on different questionnaire-based sleep phenotypes from up to 337,074 European-ancestry individuals of the UK Biobank (Supplementary Data 12). We only observed the TG-identified rs7924896 (*METTL15*) to be associated with snoring ( $P$ -value =  $1e^{-5}$ ) after correction for a total of 343 explored SNP–sleep associations (seven sleep phenotypes  $\times$  49 genes; ten SNPs were unavailable; threshold for significance =  $1.46e^{-4}$ ). Furthermore, we did not observe that any of these identified SNPs was associated with accelerometer-based sleep traits (Supplementary Data 13). In general, we did not find substantial evidence that the identified lead SNPs in previously unreported regions were associated with coronary artery disease in the CARGIoGRAMplusC4D consortium (Supplementary Table 5).

Identified lipid loci from previously unreported regions were further explored in the GWAS catalogue (Supplementary Data 14). Several of the mapped genes of these lead SNPs have previously been identified with multiple other traits, such as body mass index (*FHIT*, *KLH31*, *ADAMTS17*, and *MAGI2*), mental health (*FHIT* [autism/schizophrenia, depression], *SNX13* [cognition]), gamma-glutamyltransferase (*ZNF827*, *MICAL3*), and inflammatory processes (*ZNF827*, *NR5A2*).

We additionally investigated differential expression of these lead SNPs using data from multiple tissues from the GTEx consortium<sup>37,38</sup> (Supplementary Data 15). Lead SNPs were frequently associated with mRNA expression levels of the mapped gene and with trans-eQTLs. For example, rs429921 (mapped to *VAT1L*) was associated with differential mRNA expression levels of *CLEC3A* and *WWOX*, which are located more upstream on chromosome 16 (Supplementary Fig. 6). rs3826692 (mapped to *MYO9B*) was specifically associated with differential expression of the nearby *USE1* gene. Identified SNPs were frequently associated with differential expression in the arteries. For example, rs6501801 (*KIAA0195*) was associated with differential expression in arteries at different locations. Several of the other identified SNPs showed differential expression in multiple tissues, including the gastrointestinal tract, (subcutaneous/visceral) adipose tissue, brain, heart, muscle, lung, liver, nervous system, skin, spleen, testis, thyroid and whole blood.

## Discussion

We investigated SNP–sleep interactions in a large, multi-ancestry, meta-analysis of blood lipid levels. Given the growing evidence that sleep influences metabolism<sup>39–44</sup>, at least in part through effects on gene expression, we hypothesised that short/long habitual sleep duration may modify the effects of genetic loci on

lipid levels. In a total study population of 126,926 individuals from five different ancestry groups, we identified 49 loci previously unreported in relation to lipid traits when considering either long or short total sleep time in the analyses. An additional ten previously unreported lipid loci were identified in analyses in Europeans only. Of these identified loci, most loci at least in part were driven by differing effects in short/long sleepers compared with the rest of the study population. Multiple of the genes identified from previously unreported regions for lipid traits have been previously identified in relation to adiposity, hepatic function, inflammation or psychosocial traits, collectively contributing to potential biological mechanisms involved in sleep-associated adverse lipid profile.

In addition to the over 300 genetic loci that already have been identified in relation to blood lipid concentrations in different efforts<sup>4–10</sup>, we identified 49 additional loci associated with either HDL-c, LDL-c or TG in our multi-ancestry analysis. While for some of the SNPs had no neighbouring SNPs in high LD (e.g., rs7799249; mapped to *ATP6V0A4*), our applied filters (e.g., imputation quality  $> 0.5$ ) would suggest that the chance of invalidity of the findings is negligible. Furthermore, in the case of rs7799249, no SNPs in high LD are known in individuals from different ancestries<sup>45</sup>. Considering the previously unreported TG loci identified by considering interactions with total sleep duration explain an additional 4.25% and 1.51% of the total variation in TG concentrations, for STST and LTST, respectively. Whilst the additionally explained variance for LDL-c (0.38% and 0.13%) and HDL-c (1.00% and 0.97%) was low/modest, the lead SNPs from previously unreported regions for LDL-c levels map to genes that are known to be associated with adiposity, inflammatory disorders, cognition, and liver function, thus identifying pathways by which sleep disturbances may influence lipid biology.

Across multiple populations, both short and long sleep duration have been associated with cardiovascular disease and diabetes<sup>46</sup>. There are numerous likely mechanisms for these associations. Experimental sleep loss results in inflammation, cellular stress in brain and peripheral tissues, and altered expression of genes associated with oxidative stress<sup>47,48</sup>. The impact of long sleep on metabolism is less well understood than the effect of short sleep, and multiple of the associations seem to overlap with short sleep as well. Long sleep duration is associated with decreased energy expenditure, increased sedentary time, depressed mood and obesity-related factors associated with inflammation and a pro-thrombotic state<sup>49</sup>, as well as with higher C-reactive protein and interleukin-6 concentrations<sup>50</sup>. However, studies that adjusted for multiple confounders, including obesity, depression and physical activity, showed that long sleep remained a significant predictor of adverse cardiovascular outcomes<sup>46,51</sup>. Therefore, the adverse effects of long sleep also may partly reflect altered sleep–wake rhythms and chronodisruption resulting from misalignment between the internal biological clock with timing of sleep and other behaviours that track with sleep, such as timing of food intake, activity and light exposure<sup>52</sup>. Altered sleep–wake and circadian rhythms influence glucocorticoid signalling and autonomic nervous system excitation patterns across the day<sup>41</sup>, which can influence the phase of gene expression. These inputs appear to be particularly relevant for genes controlling lipid biosynthesis, absorption and degradation, many of which are rhythmically regulated and under circadian control<sup>53</sup>. Moreover, the molecular circadian clock acts as a rate-limiting step in cholesterol and bile synthesis, supporting the potential importance of circadian disruption in lipid biology<sup>54</sup>. Collectively, these data suggest different biological mechanisms involved in short and long sleep-associated adverse lipid profiles.

Consistent with different hypothesised physiological effects of short and long sleep, we observed no overlap in the previously

unreported loci that were identified by modelling interactions with short or long sleep duration. The lipid loci that were identified after considering STST include *FHIT*, *MAGI2* and *KLH3*, which have been previously associated with body mass index (BMI)<sup>55–61</sup>. Interestingly, although not genome-wide significant, variation in *MAGI2* has been associated with sleep duration<sup>62</sup>, however, we did not find evidence for an association with rs10244093 in *MAGI2* with any sleep phenotype in the UK Biobank sample. Variants in *MICAL3* and *ZNF827*, that were also identified after considering STST, have been associated with serum liver enzymes gamma-glutamyltransferase measurement and/or aspartate aminotransferase levels<sup>63,64</sup>, which have been implicated in cardiometabolic disturbances<sup>65–68</sup> and associated with prolonged work hours (which often results in short or irregular sleep)<sup>69</sup>. Other loci identified through interactions with STST were in genes previously associated with neurocognitive and neuropsychiatric conditions, possibly reflecting associations mediated by heightened levels of cortisol and sympathetic activity that frequently accompany short sleep.

In relation to LTST, the previously unreported lipid genes have been previously related to inflammation-driven diseases of the intestine, blood pressure and blood count measurements, including traits influenced by circadian rhythms<sup>70,71</sup>. However, none of these loci with LTST directly interacted with genes involved in the central circadian clock (e.g., *PER2*, *CRY2* and *CLOCK*) in the KEGG pathways database<sup>72</sup>. The *NR5A2* and *SLC35F3* loci have been associated with inflammation-driven diseases of the intestine<sup>73,74</sup>. Ulcerative colitis, an inflammatory bowel disease, has been associated with both longer sleep duration<sup>75</sup> and circadian disruption<sup>70</sup>. *ARNT2*, also identified via a LTST interaction, heterodimerizes with transcriptional factors implicated in homeostasis and environmental stress responses<sup>76,77</sup>. A linkage association study has reported nominal association of this gene with lipids in a Caribbean Hispanic population<sup>78</sup>.

We identified a number of additional genetic lead SNPs in the meta-analyses performed in European-Americans only. For example, we identified rs3938236 mapped to *SPRED1* to be associated with HDL-c after accounting for potential interaction with LTST. Interestingly, this gene has been previously associated with hypersomnia in Caucasian and Japanese populations<sup>79</sup>, but was not identified in our larger multi-ancestry analysis, possibly due to cultural differences in sleep behaviours<sup>80</sup>.

We additionally found evidence, amongst others, in the known lipid loci *APOB*, *PCSK9* and *LPL* for interaction with either short or long sleep. Associations have been observed previously between short sleep and ApoB concentrations, have been observed previously<sup>81</sup>. *LPL* expression has been shown to follow a diurnal rhythm in several metabolic organs<sup>43,82</sup>, and disturbing sleeping pattern by altered light exposure can lower *LPL* activity, at least in brown adipose tissue<sup>43</sup>. Similar effects of sleep on hepatic secretion of ApoB and *PCSK9* may be expected. Indeed, in humans *PCSK9* has a diurnal rhythm synchronous with hepatic cholesterol synthesis<sup>83</sup>. Although the interaction effects we observed were rather weak, the supporting evidence from the literature suggests that sleep potentially modifies the effect of some of the well-known lipid regulators that are also targets for therapeutic interventions.

Some of the previously unreported lipid loci have been previously associated with traits related to sleep. For example, *MAGI2* and *MYO9B*<sup>62</sup> have been suggestively associated with sleep duration and quality, respectively. Genetic variation in *TMEM132B* has been associated with excessive daytime sleepiness<sup>84</sup>, and *EPHB1* has been associated with self-reported chronotype<sup>85</sup>. These findings suggest some shared genetic component of lipid regulation and sleep biology. However, with the

exception of the *METTL15*-mapped rs7924896 variant in relation to snoring, none of the lead SNPs mapped to the previously unreported lipid loci were associated with any of the investigated sleep phenotypes in the UK Biobank population, suggesting no or minimal shared component in sleep and lipid biology but rather that sleep duration specifically modifies the effect of the variant on the lipid traits.

This study was predominantly comprised of individuals of European ancestry, despite our efforts to include as many studies of diverse ancestries as possible. For this reason, additional efforts are required to specifically study gene–sleep interactions in those of African, Asian and Hispanic ancestry once more data becomes available. In line, we identified several loci that were identified only in the European-ancestry analysis, and not in the multi-ancestry analysis, suggesting that there might be ancestry-specific effects. The multi-ancestry analysis highlighted the genetic regions that are more likely to play a role in sleep-associated adverse lipid profiles across ancestries. In addition, our study used questionnaire-based data on sleep duration. Although the use of questionnaires likely increased measurement error and decreased statistical power, questionnaire-based assessments of sleep duration have provided important epidemiological data, including the identification of genetic variants for sleep traits in genome-wide association studies<sup>84</sup>. Identified variants for sleep traits have been recently successfully validated using accelerometer data<sup>86</sup>, although the overall genetic correlation with accelerometer-based sleep duration was shown to be low<sup>87</sup>. Moreover, observational studies showed only a modest correlation between the phenotypes<sup>88</sup>, which suggest that each approach characterises somewhat different phenotypes. At this time, we did not have sufficient data to evaluate other measures of sleep duration such as polysomnography or accelerometry. A more comprehensive characterisation, additional circadian traits as well as larger study samples (e.g., embedded in the large biobanks that become increasingly available for research) will refine our understanding of the interaction of these fundamental phenotypes and lipid biology.

In summary, the gene–sleep interaction efforts described in the present multi-ancestry study identified many lipid loci previously unreported to be associated with either HDL-c, LDL-c or triglycerides levels. Multiple of these loci were driven by interactions with either short or long sleep duration, and were mapped to genes also associated with adiposity, inflammatory or neuropsychiatric traits. Collectively, the results highlight the interactions between extreme sleep–wake exposures and lipid biology.

## Methods

**Participants.** Analyses were performed locally by the different participating studies. Discovery and replication analyses comprised men and women between the age of 18 and 80 years, and were conducted separately for the different contributing (self-defined) ancestry groups, including: European, African, Asian, Hispanic and Brazilian (discovery analysis only). Descriptions of the different participating studies are described in detail in the Supplementary Notes 1 and 3, and study-specific characteristics (sizes, trait distribution and data preparation) are presented in Supplementary Tables 1–6. Every effort was made to include as many studies as possible.

**Ethical regulations.** The present work was approved by the Institutional Review Board of Washington University in St. Louis and complies with all relevant ethical regulations. Each participating study obtained written informed consent from all participants and received approval from the appropriate local institutional review boards.

**Lipid traits.** We conducted all analyses on the following lipid traits: HDL-c, LDL-c and TG. TG and LDL-c concentrations were measured in samples from individuals who had fasted for at least 8 hours. LDL-c could be either directly assayed or derived using the Friedewald equation<sup>89</sup> (the latter being restricted to those with TG  $\leq$  400 mg/dL). We furthermore corrected LDL-c for the use of lipid-lowering drugs, defined as any use of a statin drug or any unspecified lipid-lowering drug

after the year 1994 (when statin use became common in general practice). If LDL-c was directly assayed, the concentration of LDL-c was corrected by dividing the LDL-c concentration by 0.7. If LDL-c was derived using the Friedewald equation, we first divided the concentration of total cholesterol by 0.8 before LDL-c was calculated by the Friedewald equation. Due to the skewed distribution of HDL-c and TG, we ln-transformed the concentration prior to the analyses; no transformation for LDL-c was required. When an individual cohort measured the lipid traits during multiple visits, the visit with the largest available sample and concurrent availability of the sleep questions was selected.

**Nocturnal total sleep time.** Contributing cohorts collected information on the habitual sleep duration using either a single question such as ‘on an average night, how long do you sleep?’ or as part of a standardised sleep questionnaire (e.g., the Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index questionnaire<sup>90</sup>). For the present project, we defined both STST and LTST. To harmonise the sleep duration data across cohorts from different countries, cultures and participants with different physical characteristics, in whom sleep duration was assessed using various questions, we defined STST and LTST using cohort-specific residuals, adjusting for age and sex. An exception was for AGES and HANDLS cohorts, we used a cohort-specific definition due to limited response categories in relationship to the available question on sleep duration. Instead, we defined STST or LTST based on expert input. Exposure to STST was defined as the lowest 20% of the sex- and age-adjusted sleep-time residuals (coded as ‘1’). Exposure to LTST was defined as the highest 20% of the sex- and age-adjusted sleep-time residuals (coded as ‘1’). For both sleep-time definitions, we considered the remaining 80% of the population as being unexposed to either STST or LTST (coded as ‘0’).

**Genotype data.** Genotyping was performed by each participating study locally using genotyping arrays from either Illumina (San Diego, CA, USA) or Affymetrix (Santa Clara, CA, USA). Each study conducted imputation using various software programmes and with local cleaning thresholds for call rates (usually > 98%) and Hardy–Weinberg equilibrium (usually  $P$ -value <  $1e^{-5}$ ). The cosmopolitan reference panel from the 1000 Genomes Project Phase I Integrated Release Version 3 Haplotypes (2010–11 data freeze, 2012–03–14 haplotypes) was specified for imputation. Only SNPs on the autosomal chromosomes with a minor allele frequency of at least 0.01 were considered in the analyses. Specific details of each participating study’s genotyping platform and imputation software are described (Supplementary Tables 3 and 6).

**Stage 1 analysis (discovery phase).** The discovery phase of the present project included 21 cohorts contributing data from 28 study/ancestry groups, and included up to 62,457 participants of EUR, AFR, ASN, HISP and BR ancestry (Supplementary Tables 1–3). All cohorts ran statistical models according to a standardised analysis protocol. The main model for this project examined the SNP-main effect and the multiplicative interaction term between the SNP and either LTST or STST:

$$E(Y) = \beta_0 + \beta_E E + \beta_C SNP + \beta_{CE} E * SNP + \beta_C C \quad (1)$$

in which E is the sleep exposure variable (LTST/STST) and C are the (study-specific) covariates, which was similar to what we have done in previous studies<sup>4,11,12</sup>. In addition, we examined the SNP-main effect (without incorporating LTST/STST) and the SNP-main effect stratified by the exposure:

$$E(Y) = \beta_0 + \beta_C SNP + \beta_C C \quad (1)$$

All models were performed for each lipid trait and separately for the different ancestry groups. Consequently, per ancestry group, we requested a total of seven GWA analyses per lipid trait. All models were adjusted for age, sex, field centre (if required), and the first principal components to correct for population stratification. The number of principal components included in the model was chosen according to cohort-specific preferences (ranging from 0 to 10). All studies were asked to provide the effect estimates (SNP-main and -interaction effect) with accompanying robust estimates of the standard error for all requested models. A robust estimate of the covariance between the main and interaction effects was also provided. To obtain robust estimates of covariance matrices and standard errors, studies with unrelated participants used R packages such as either sandwich<sup>91,92</sup> or ProbABEL<sup>93</sup>. Studies including related individuals used either generalised estimating equations (R package geePack<sup>94</sup>) or linear mixed models (GenABEL<sup>95</sup>, MMAP or R package sandwich<sup>91,92</sup>). Sample code provided to studies to generate these data has been previously published<sup>96</sup>.

Upon completion of the analyses by local institution, all summary data were stored centrally for further processing and meta-analyses. We performed estimative quality control (QC) using the R-based package EasyQC<sup>97</sup> ([www.genepi-regensburg.de/easyqc](http://www.genepi-regensburg.de/easyqc)) at the study level (examining the results of each study individually), and subsequently at the ancestry level (after combining all ancestry-specific cohorts using meta-analyses). Study-level QC consisted of excluding all SNPs with MAF < 0.01, harmonisation of alleles, comparison of allele frequencies with ancestry-appropriate 1000 Genomes reference data, and harmonisation of all SNPs to a standardised nomenclature according to chromosome and position. Ancestry-level QC included the compilation of summary statistics on all effect estimates, standard errors and p-values across studies to identify potential outliers,

and production of SE-N and QQ plots to identify analytical problems (such as improper trait transformations)<sup>98</sup>.

Prior to the ancestry-specific meta-analyses, we excluded the following SNPs from the cohort-level data files: all SNPs with an imputation quality < 0.5, and all SNPs with a minor allele count in the exposed group (LTST or STST equals ‘1’) × imputation quality of less than 20. SNPs in the European-ancestry and multi-ancestry analyses had to be present in at least three cohorts and 5000 participants. Due to the limited sample size of the non-European ancestries (either discovery or replication), we did not take into account this filter in those ancestry-level meta-analyses.

Meta-analyses were conducted for all models using the inverse variance-weighted fixed effects method as implemented in METAL<sup>99</sup> (<http://genome.sph.umich.edu/wiki/METAL>). We evaluated both a 1df of freedom test of interaction effect and a 2df joint test of main and interaction effects, following previously published methods<sup>29</sup>. A 1df Wald test was used to evaluate the 1df interaction, as well as the main effect in models without an interaction term. A 2df Chi-squared test was used to jointly test the effects of both the variant and the variant × LTST/STST interaction<sup>100</sup>. Meta-analyses were conducted within each ancestry separately. Multi-ancestry meta-analyses were conducted on all ancestry-specific meta-analyses. Genomic control correction was applied on all cohorts incorporated in the ancestry-level meta-analyses as well as on the final meta-analyses for the publication. From this effort, we selected all SNPs associated with any of the lipid traits with  $P \leq 5 \times 10^{-7}$  in the 2df interaction test for replication in the Stage 2 analysis. This cut-off was selected to minimise false-negative results.

**Stage 2 analysis (replication phase).** All SNPs selected in Stage 1 for replication were evaluated in the interaction model in up to 18 cohorts contributing data from 20 study groups totalling up to 64,469 individuals (Supplementary Tables 4–6). As we had a limited number of individuals from non-European ancestry in the replication analyses, we did not consider the non-European ancestries separately and only focussed on a European-ancestry and multi-ancestry analysis.

Study- and ancestry-level QC was carried out as in stage 1. In contrast to stage 1, no additional filters were included for the number of studies or individuals contributing data to stage 2 meta-analyses, as these filters were implemented to reduce the probability of false positives, and were less relevant in stage 2. Stage 2 SNPs were evaluated in all ancestry groups and for all traits, no matter what specific meta-analysis met the  $P$ -value threshold in the stage 1 analysis. We did not apply genomic control to any of the Stage 2 analyses given the expectation of association.

An additional meta-analysis was performed combining the Stage 1 and 2 meta-analyses. SNPs (irrespective of being known or previously unreported) were considered to be replicated when the 2df interaction test  $P$ -values of Stage 1 <  $5 \times 10^{-7}$ , Stage 2 < 0.05 with a similar direction of effect as in the discovery meta-analysis, and Stage 1 + 2 <  $5 \times 10^{-8}$ . Replicated SNPs were subsequently used in different bioinformatics tools for further processing. In addition, 1df  $P$ -values (SNP-sleep interaction effect only) of the lead SNPs of both the replicated known and previously unreported loci were calculated to explore whether genetic variant were specifically driven by SNP-main or SNP-interaction effects. Based on the total number of lead SNPs across all analyses, we performed correction using the false discovery rate to quantify statistical significance<sup>36</sup>.

**Bioinformatics.** Replicated SNPs were first processed using the online tool FUMA<sup>101</sup> to identify independent lead SNPs and to perform gene mapping. From the SNP that has a  $P$ -value in the 2df interaction test <  $5 \times 10^{-8}$ , we determined lead SNPs that were independent from each other at  $R^2 < 0.1$  using the 1000 G Phase 3 EUR as a reference panel population. Independent lead SNPs with a physical distance > 1 mb from a known locus were considered as previously unreported. Regional plots of these loci were made using the online LocusZoom tool<sup>102</sup>. The explained variance of the identified genetic lead SNPs mapped to previously unreported lipid regions was calculated based on the summary statistics of the combined analysis of Stage 1 and 2 using the R-based VarExp package, which has been previously validated to provide similar results to individual participant data<sup>35</sup>. This package calculates the variance explained on the basis of the combined (joint) SNP-main and SNP-interaction effect. Differential expression analyses of the lead SNPs in the identified genetic loci was performed using GTEx [<https://gtexportal.org/home/>]<sup>37,38</sup>.

**Look-ups of previously unreported loci in other databases.** The genetic loci for the three lipid traits previously unreported were further explored in the GWAS catalogue [<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/gwas/>] to investigate the role of these mapped genes in other traits. Furthermore, we extracted the lead SNPs from the previously unreported lipid loci from publicly available GWAS data from the UK Biobank [<http://www.nealelab.is/uk-biobank/>] for different questionnaire-based sleep phenotypes, notably ‘daytime snoozing/sleeping (narcolepsy)’, ‘getting up in the morning’, ‘morning/evening person (chronotype)’, ‘nap during the day’, ‘sleep duration’, ‘sleeplessness/insomnia’ and ‘snoring’. Analyses on these phenotypes were generally done using continuous outcomes; the variable ‘sleep duration’ was expressed in hours of total sleep per day. GWAS in the UK Biobank were done in European-ancestry individuals only ( $N$  up to 337,074). We furthermore extracted

the identified lead SNPs from the previously unreported regions for lipid traits from the GWAS analyses done on accelerometer-based sleep variables, which was done in European-ancestry individuals from the UK Biobank ( $N = 85,670$ ; [<http://sleepdisordergenetics.org/>])<sup>87</sup>. In addition, we extracted the these identified lead SNPs from publically available summary-statistics data on coronary artery disease of the CARDIoGRAMplusC4D consortium, which included 60,801 cases of coronary artery disease and 123,504 controls [<http://www.cardiogramplusc4d.org/>]<sup>103</sup>.

**Reporting summary.** Further information on research design is available in the Nature Research Reporting Summary linked to this article.

## Data availability

Due to restrictions in the written informed consent and local regulations, no individual genotype-level data could be shared that were part of this project. Summary results files from both the trans-ancestry and European meta-analyses are available to the public via the CHARGE (Cohorts for Heart and Ageing Research in Genomics Epidemiology) dbGaP summary site (phs000930 [[https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/projects/gap/cgi-bin/study.cgi?study\\_id=phs000930.v1.p1](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/projects/gap/cgi-bin/study.cgi?study_id=phs000930.v1.p1)]). We acknowledge the use of publically available data sources for summary-based statistics, which includes the gTex portal [<https://gtexportal.org/home/>], Nealelab [<http://www.nealelab.is/uk-biobank/>], Sleep Disorder Genetics [<http://sleepdisordergenetics.org/>] and the CARDIoGRAMplusC4D consortium [<http://www.cardiogramplusc4d.org/>].

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### **Supplementary Note 1 STAGE 1 STUDY DESCRIPTIONS:**

Brief descriptions are provided below for each of the discovery studies, some of which are based outside the United States:

**AGES (Age Gene/Environment Susceptibility Reykjavik Study):** The AGES Reykjavik study originally comprised a random sample of 30,795 men and women born in 1907-1935 and living in Reykjavik, Iceland in 1967. A total of 19,381 people attended, resulting in a 71% recruitment rate. The study sample was divided into six groups by birth year and birth date within month. One group was designated for longitudinal follow up and was examined in all stages; another was designated as a control group and was not included in examinations until 1991. Other groups were invited to participate in specific stages of the study. Between 2002 and 2006, the AGES Reykjavik study re-examined 5,764 survivors of the original cohort who had participated before in the Reykjavik Study. Blood samples were drawn from all participants after overnight fasting. Serum total cholesterol and HDL were analyzed on a Hitachi 912 using reagents from Roche Diagnostics (Mannheim, Germany) and following the manufacturer's instructions (CV% was 2.5% and 3.5% respectively). Serum LDL cholesterol was calculated using the Friedewald equation when triglycerides < 4.5 mmol/L. Information on sleep duration was collected using the single question for both summer and winter: "During a typical 24-hour period in the summer time/winter time, how many hours do you spend sleeping at night?" Genotyping was performed using the Illumina 370CNV BeadChip array on 3,664 participants. Sample exclusion criteria included sample failure, genotype mismatch with reference panel, and sex mismatch, resulting in clean genotype data on 3,219 individuals. Standard protocols for working with Illumina data were followed with clustering score greater than 0.4. From a total of 353,202 SNPs, 325,094 were used for imputation after exclusion of SNPs with call rate < 97%, HWE deviation <  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ , mishap (PLINK haplotype-based test for non-random missing genotype data[2])  $p < 1 \times 10^{-9}$ , and mismatched positions between Illumina, dbSNP and/or HapMap. Imputation was done using MACH1.0.16 against all the HapMap CEPH haplotypes (release 22/NCBI build 36) resulting in 2,533,153 total SNPs for analysis. All participants signed an informed consent form. The AGES-Reykjavik Study GWAS was approved by the National Bioethics Committee (VSN: 00-063) and the Data Protection Authority. A detailed description of the AGES Reykjavik Study has been described previously (Harris TB *et al.* Age, Gene/Environment Susceptibility-Reykjavik Study: multidisciplinary applied phenomics. *Am J Epidemiol.* 2007 May 1;165(9):1076-87. Epub 2007 Mar 10. PMID:17351290)

**ARIC (Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities):** The ARIC study is a population-based prospective cohort study of cardiovascular disease sponsored by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI). ARIC included 15,792 individuals, predominantly European American and African American, aged 45-64 years at baseline (1987-89), chosen by probability sampling from four US communities. Cohort members completed three additional triennial follow-up examinations, a fifth exam in 2011-2013, and a sixth exam in 2016-2017. The ARIC study has been described in detail previously (The ARIC Investigators. The Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities (ARIC) study: Design and objectives. *Am J Epidemiol.* 1989;129:687-702).

**Baependi Heart Study (Brazil):** The Baependi Heart Study, is an ongoing family-based cohort conducted in a rural town of the state of Minas Gerais. The study has enrolled approximate 2,200 individuals (over 10% of the town's adult population) and 10-year follow up period of longitudinal data. Briefly, probands were selected at random across 11 out of the 12 census districts in Baependi. After enrolment, the proband's first-degree (parents, siblings, and offspring), second-degree (half-siblings, grandparents/grandchildren, uncles/aunts, nephews/nieces, and double cousins), and third-degree (first cousins, great uncles/aunts, and great nephews/nieces) relatives, and his/her respective spouse's relatives resident both within Baependi (municipal and rural area) and surrounding towns were invited to participate. Only individuals age 18 and older were eligible to participate in the study. The study is conducted from a clinic/office in an easily accessible sector of the town, where the questionnaires were completed. A broad range of phenotypes ranging from cardiovascular, neurocognitive, psychiatric, imaging, physiologic and several layers of endophenotypes like metabolomics and lipidomics have been collected throughout the years. Details about follow-up visits and available data can be found in the cohort profile paper (PMID: 18430212). DNA samples were genotyped using the Affymetrix 6.0 genechip. After quality control, the data were prephased using SHAPEIT and imputed using IMPUTE2 based on 1000 Genomes haplotypes.

**CARDIA (Coronary Artery Risk Development in Young Adults):** CARDIA is a prospective multicenter study with 5,115 adults Caucasian and African American participants of the age group 18-30 years, recruited from four centers at the baseline examination in 1985-1986. The recruitment was done from the total community in Birmingham, AL, from selected census tracts in Chicago, IL and Minneapolis, MN; and from the Kaiser Permanente health plan membership in Oakland, CA. The details of the study design for the CARDIA study have been previously published<sup>1</sup>. Nine examinations have been completed since initiation of the study, respectively in the years 0, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30. Written informed consent was obtained from participants at each examination and all study protocols were approved by the institutional review boards of the participating institutions. Age and race were self-reported using standardized questionnaires, as were use of cholesterol-lowering medication. participants were asked to fast for 12 hours before each clinic visit.

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**CHS (Cardiovascular Health Study):** CHS is a population-based cohort study of risk factors for cardiovascular disease in adults 65 years of age or older conducted across four field centers (1). The original predominantly European ancestry cohort of 5,201 persons was recruited in 1989-1990 from random samples of the Medicare eligibility lists and an additional predominately African-American cohort of 687 persons was enrolled in 1992-93 for a total sample of 5,888. Blood samples were drawn from all participants at their baseline examination and DNA was subsequently extracted from available samples. European ancestry participants were excluded from the GWAS study sample due to prevalent coronary heart disease, congestive heart failure,

peripheral vascular disease, valvular heart disease, stroke, or transient ischemic attack at baseline. After QC, genotyping was successful for 3271 European ancestry and 823 African-American participants. CHS was approved by institutional review committees at each site and individuals in the present analysis gave informed consent including consent to use of genetic information for the study of cardiovascular disease. Information on habitual sleep duration was collected 4 years after the cholesterol measurement.

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**ERF (Erasmus Rucphen Family study):** Erasmus Rucphen Family is a family based study that includes inhabitants of a genetically isolated community in the South-West of the Netherlands, studied as part of the Genetic Research in Isolated Population (GRIP) program (Padro LM, et al; *Ann Hum Genet.* 2015; 69(Pt 3):288-95). The goal of the study is to identify the risk factors in the development of complex disorders. Study population includes approximately 3,000 individuals who are living descendants of 22 couples who lived in the isolate between 1850 and 1900 and had at least six children baptized in the community church (Aulchenko Y, et al; *Eur J Hum Genet.* 2015; 12 527-534). All data were collected between 2002 and 2005. All participants gave informed consent, and the Medical Ethics Committee of the Erasmus University Medical Centre approved the study.

**FHS (Framingham Heart Study):** FHS began in 1948 with the recruitment of an original cohort of 5,209 men and women (mean age 44 years; 55 percent women). In 1971 a second generation of study participants was enrolled; this cohort (mean age 37 years; 52% women) consisted of 5,124 children and spouses of children of the original cohort. A third generation cohort of 4,095 children of offspring cohort participants (mean age 40 years; 53 percent women) was enrolled in 2002-2005 and are seen every 4 to 8 years. Details of study designs for the three cohorts are summarized elsewhere. At each clinic visit, a medical history was obtained with a focus on cardiovascular content, and participants underwent a physical examination including measurement of height and weight from which BMI was calculated.

**GenSalt (Genetic Epidemiology Network of Salt Sensitivity):** GenSalt is a multi-center, family based study designed to identify, through dietary sodium and potassium intervention, salt-sensitivity susceptibility genes which may underlie essential hypertension in rural Han Chinese families. Approximately 629 families with at least one ‘proband’ with high blood pressure were recruited and tested for a wide variety of physiological, metabolic and biochemical measures at baseline and at multiple times during the 3-week intervention. The intervention consisted of one week on a low sodium diet, followed by one week on a high sodium diet, and finally one week on a high sodium diet with a potassium supplement.

**HANDLS (Healthy Aging in Neighborhoods of Diversity across the Life Span):** HANDLS is a community-based, longitudinal epidemiologic study examining the influences of race and socioeconomic status (SES) on the development of age-related health disparities among a sample of socioeconomically diverse African Americans and whites. This unique study will assess over a

20-year period physical parameters and also evaluate genetic, biologic, demographic, and psychosocial, parameters of African American and white participants in higher and lower SES to understand the driving factors behind persistent black-white health disparities in overall longevity, cardiovascular disease, and cognitive decline. The study recruited 3,722 participants from Baltimore, MD with a mean age of 47.7 years, 2,200 African Americans and 1,522 whites, with 41% reporting household incomes below the 125% poverty delimitor. Genotyping was done on a subset of self-reporting African American participants by the Laboratory of Neurogenetics, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health (NIH). A larger genotyping effort included a small subset of self-reporting European ancestry samples. This research was supported by the Intramural Research Program of the NIH, NIA and the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities.

**Health ABC (Health, Aging, and Body Composition):** Cohort description: The Health ABC study is a prospective cohort study investigating the associations between body composition, weight-related health conditions, and incident functional limitation in older adults. Health ABC enrolled well-functioning, community-dwelling black (n=1281) and white (n=1794) men and women aged 70-79 years between April 1997 and June 1998. Participants were recruited from a random sample of white and all black Medicare eligible residents in the Pittsburgh, PA, and Memphis, TN, metropolitan areas. Participants have undergone annual exams and semi-annual phone interviews. The current study sample consists of 1559 white participants who attended the second exam in 1998-1999 with available genotyping data.

Genotyping: Genotyping was performed by the Center for Inherited Disease Research (CIDR) using the Illumina Human1M-Duo BeadChip system. Samples were excluded from the dataset for the reasons of sample failure, genotypic sex mismatch, and first-degree relative of an included individual based on genotype data. Genotyping was successful in 1663 Caucasians. Analysis was restricted to SNPs with minor allele frequency  $\geq 1\%$ , call rate  $\geq 97\%$  and HWE  $p \geq 10^{-6}$ . Genotypes were available on 914,263 high quality SNPs for imputation based on the HapMap CEU (release 22, build 36) using the MACH software (version 1.0.16). A total of 2,543,888 imputed SNPs were analyzed for association with vitamin D levels.

**HERITAGE (Health, Risk Factors, Exercise Training and Genetics):** The HERITAGE is the only known family-based study of exercise intervention to evaluate the role of genes and sequence variants involved in the response to a physically active lifestyle. The current study is based on the data collected at baseline of the study from 99 White families (244 males, 255 females). All subjects were required to be sedentary and free of chronic diseases at baseline. There are over 18 trait domains (e.g. dietary, lipids and lipoproteins, glucose and insulin metabolism [fasting and IVGTT], steroids, body composition and body fat distribution, cardiorespiratory fitness), for a grand total of over one thousand variables. Moreover, most of the outcome traits were measured twice on two separate days both at baseline and after exercise training was completed. Marker data include a genome-wide linkage scan and GWAS, in addition to a large number of candidate genes.

**JHS (Jackson Heart Study):** The Jackson Heart Study is a longitudinal, community-based observational cohort study investigating the role of environmental and genetic factors in the development of cardiovascular disease in African Americans. Between 2000 and 2004, a total of 5,306 participants were recruited from a tri-county area (Hinds, Madison, and Rankin Counties) that encompasses Jackson, MS. Details of the design and recruitment for the Jackson Heart Study cohort has been previously published.<sup>1-3</sup> Briefly, approximately 30% of participants were former members of the Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities (ARIC) study. The remainder were recruited by either 1) random selection from the Accudata list, 2) commercial listing, 3) a constrained volunteer sample, in which recruitment was distributed among defined demographic cells in proportions designed to mirror those in the overall population, or through the Jackson Heart Study Family Study.

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**MESA (Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis):** The Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis (MESA) is a study of the characteristics of subclinical cardiovascular disease and the risk factors that predict progression to clinically overt cardiovascular disease or progression of the subclinical disease. MESA consisted of a diverse, population-based sample of an initial 6,814 asymptomatic men and women aged 45-84. 38 percent of the recruited participants were white, 28 percent African American, 22 percent Hispanic, and 12 percent Asian, predominantly of Chinese descent. Participants were recruited from six field centers across the United States: Wake Forest University, Columbia University, Johns Hopkins University, University of Minnesota, Northwestern University and University of California - Los Angeles. Participants are being followed for identification and characterization of cardiovascular disease events, including acute myocardial infarction and other forms of coronary heart disease (CHD), stroke, and congestive heart failure; for cardiovascular disease interventions; and for mortality. The first examination took place over two years, from July 2000 - July 2002. It was followed by four examination periods that were 17-20 months in length. Participants have been contacted every 9 to 12 months throughout the study to assess clinical morbidity and mortality.

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**NEO (The Netherlands Epidemiology of Obesity study):** The NEO was designed for extensive phenotyping to investigate pathways that lead to obesity-related diseases. The NEO study is a

population-based, prospective cohort study that includes 6,671 individuals aged 45–65 years, with an oversampling of individuals with overweight or obesity. At baseline, information on demography, lifestyle, and medical history have been collected by questionnaires. In addition, samples of 24-h urine, fasting and postprandial blood plasma and serum, and DNA were collected. Genotyping was performed using the Illumina HumanCoreExome chip, which was subsequently imputed to the 1000 genome reference panel. Participants underwent an extensive physical examination, including anthropometry, electrocardiography, spirometry, and measurement of the carotid artery intima-media thickness by ultrasonography. The collection of data started in September 2008 and completed at the end of September 2012.

**RS (Rotterdam Study):** The Rotterdam Study is a prospective, population-based cohort study among individuals living in the well-defined Ommoord district in the city of Rotterdam in The Netherlands (Ikram MA, et al; *Eur J Epidemiol.* 2017; 32(9): 807-850). The aim of the study is to determine the occurrence of cardiovascular, neurological, ophthalmic, endocrine, hepatic, respiratory, and psychiatric diseases in elderly people. The cohort was initially defined in 1990 with 7,983 persons, aged 55 years and older, who underwent a home interview and extensive physical examination at the baseline and during follow-up rounds every 3-4 years (RS-I). Cohort was extended in 2000/2001 (RS-II, 3,011 individuals aged 55 years and older) and 2006/2008 (RS-III, 3,932 subjects, aged 45 and older). The Rotterdam Study has been approved by the Medical Ethics Committee of the Erasmus MC (registration number MEC 02.1015) and by the Dutch Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport (Population Screening Act WBO, license number 1071272-159521-PG). All participants provided written informed consent to participate in the study and to have their medical information obtained from treating physicians.

**WHI (Women's Health Initiative):** WHI is a long-term national health study that focuses on strategies for preventing common diseases such as heart disease, cancer and fracture in postmenopausal women. A total of 161,838 women aged 50–79 years old were recruited from 40 clinical centers in the US between 1993 and 1998. WHI consists of an observational study, two clinical trials of postmenopausal hormone therapy (HT, estrogen alone or estrogen plus progestin), a calcium and vitamin D supplement trial, and a dietary modification trial<sup>1</sup>. Study recruitment and exclusion criteria have been described previously<sup>1</sup>. Recruitment was done through mass mailing to age-eligible women obtained from voter registration, driver's license and Health Care Financing Administration or other insurance list, with emphasis on recruitment of minorities and older women<sup>2</sup>. Exclusions included participation in other randomized trials, predicted survival < 3 years, alcoholism, drug dependency, mental illness and dementia. Study protocols and consent forms were approved by the IRB at all participating institutions. Socio-demographic characteristics, lifestyle, medical history and self-reported medications were collected using standardized questionnaires at the screening visit. The genome wide association study (GWAS) non-overlapping samples are composed of a case-control study (WHI Genomics and Randomized Trials Network – GARNET, which included all coronary heart disease, stroke, venous thromboembolic events and selected diabetes cases that happened during the active intervention phase in the WHI HT clinical trials and aged matched controls), women selected to be "representative" of the HT trial (mostly younger white HT subjects that were also enrolled in the WHI memory study - WHIMS) and the WHI SNP Health Association Resource (WHI SHARe), a randomly selected sample of 8,515 African American and 3,642 Hispanic women

from WHI. GWAS was performed using Affymetrix 6.0 (WHI-SHARe), HumanOmniExpressExome-8v1\_B (WHIMS), Illumina HumanOmni1-Quad v1-0 B (GARNET). Extensive quality control (QC) of the GWAS data included alignment (“flipping”) to the same reference panel, imputation to the 1000G data (using the recent reference panel - v3.20101123), identification of genetically related individuals, and computations of principal components (PCs) using methods developed by Price et al. (using EIGENSOFT software 53), and finally the comparison with self-reported ethnicity. After QC and exclusions from analysis protocol, the number of women included in analysis is 4,423 whites for GARNET, 5,202 white for WHIMS, 7,919 for SHARe African American and 3,377 for SHARe Hispanics.

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### **Supplementary Note 3 STAGE 2 STUDY DESCRIPTIONS:**

Brief descriptions are provided below for each of the replication studies/cohorts:

**Airwave (The Airwave Health Monitoring Study):** The Airwave Health Monitoring Study (22) was established to evaluate possible health risks associated with use of TETRA, a digital communication system used by police forces and other emergency services in Great Britain since 2001. The study has been broadened to investigate more generally the health of the work force. From 2004, participants from each force who agreed to participate were enrolled either with an enrolment questionnaire or a comprehensive health screening performed locally. This includes questionnaire, 7-day food diaries, anthropometry, measurements of cardiovascular and cognitive function, blood chemistry, coagulation and hematology. By March 2015, the study had recruited 53,606 participants, of whom 45,433 had attended the health screening, and 14,002 have genotype data (1000G imputed).

Ref: Elliott, P. et al. The Airwave Health Monitoring Study of police officers and staff in Great Britain: rationale, design and methods. *Environ Res* 134, 280-5 (2014).

**CFS (Cleveland Family Study):** The Cleveland Family Study (CFS) is a family-based, longitudinal study designed to characterize the genetic and non-genetic risk factors for sleep apnea. In total, 2534 individuals (46% African American) from 352 families were studied on up to 4 occasions over a period of 16 years (1990-2006). The initial aim of the study was to quantify the familial aggregation of sleep apnea. 632 African Americans were genotyped on the Affymetrix array 6.0 platform through the CARE Consortium with suitable genotyping quality control. A further 122 African-Americans had genotyping based on the Illumina OmniExpress + Exome platform. Genomes were imputed separately for each chip based on a 1000 Genomes Project Phase 3 Version 5 cosmopolitan template using SHAPEIT and IMPUTE2.

**Colaus (Cohorte Lausannoise):** The cohort is a random sample of the population aged 35-75 years of the city of Lausanne, Switzerland. Recruitment began in June 2003 and ended in May 2006, and the first follow-up was conducted between April 2009 and September 2012. The CoLaus study was approved by the Institutional Ethics Committee of the University of Lausanne and informed consent was appropriately obtained by all participants. Both at baseline and follow-up, all participants attended the outpatient clinic of the University Hospital of Lausanne in the morning after an overnight fast. Data were collected by trained field interviewers in a single visit lasting about 60 min.

**DFTJ (Dongfeng-Tongji Cohort Study):** The DFTJ-cohort study includes 27,009 retired employees from a state-owned automobile enterprise in China. This study was launched in 2008 and will be followed up every 5 years. In 2013 we conducted the first follow-up. By using semi-structural questionnaire and health examination, those having cancer or severe diseases were excluded. Fasting blood samples and detailed epidemiology data were collected. The main goal of the cohort was to identify the environmental and genetic risk factors and the gene-environment interactions on chronic diseases, and to find novel biomarkers for chronic disease and mortality

prediction. Finally, 1,461 included in the present study with GWAS data. All of the participants wrote informed consent and the ethical committees in the Tongji Medical College approved this research project. Detailed information has been described in elsewhere(1).

#### QC criteria and imputation methods:

We did the GWAS scan on the DFTJ-cohort with Affymetrix Genome-Wide Human SNP Array 6.0 chips. In total, we genotyped 906,703 SNPs among 1,461 subjects. After stringent QC filtering, SNPs with MAF < 0.01, Hardy-Weinberg Equilibrium (HWE) < 0.0001, and SNP call rate < 95% were excluded. Individuals with call rates < 95% were also not included for further analysis. In total, we retained 1,452 subjects with 658,288 autosomal SNPs for statistical analyses, with an overall call rate of 99.68%. We used MACH 1.0 software to impute untyped SNPs using the LD information from the HapMap phase II database (CHB+JPT as a reference set (2007-08\_rel22, released 2007-03-02). Imputed SNPs with high genotype information content ( $R_{sq} > 0.3$  for MACH) were kept for the further association analysis.

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**DR's EXTRA (Dose-Responses to Exercise Training):** The Dose-Responses to Exercise Training (DR's EXTRA) Study is a 4-year RCT on the effects of regular physical exercise and healthy diet on endothelial function, atherosclerosis and cognition in a randomly selected population sample (n=3000) of Eastern Finnish men and women, identified from the national population register, aged 55-74 years. Of the eligible sample, 1410 individuals were randomized into one of the 6 groups: aerobic exercise, resistance exercise, diet, combined aerobic exercise and diet, combined resistance exercise and diet, or reference group following baseline assessments. During the four year intervention the drop-out rate was 15%.

**EGCUT (Estonian Genome Center - University of Tartu (Estonian Biobank)):** The Estonian Biobank is a population-based biobank of the Estonian Genome Center at the University of Tartu ([www.biobank.ee](http://www.biobank.ee); EGCUT). The entire project is conducted according to the Estonian Gene Research Act and all of the participants have signed a broad informed consent. The cohort comprises 51535 individuals, aged 18+ and closely reflects the age, sex and geographical distribution of the Estonian population. All of the subjects are recruited randomly by general practitioners and physicians at hospitals. A Computer Assisted Personal interview was filled within 1-2 hours at a doctor's office, which included personal, genealogical, educational, occupational history and lifestyle data. Anthropometric measurements, blood pressure and resting heart rate were measured and venous blood taken during the visit. Medical history and current health status are recorded according to ICD-10 codes.

**GeneSTAR (Genetic Studies of Atherosclerosis Risk):** GeneSTAR is a family-based prospective study of more than 4000 participants begun in 1983 to determine phenotypic and genetic causes of premature cardiovascular disease. Families were identified from 1983-2006 from probands with a premature coronary disease event prior to 60 years of age who were

identified at the time of hospitalization in any of 10 hospitals in the Baltimore, Maryland area. Their apparently healthy 30-59 year old siblings without known coronary disease were recruited and screened between 1983 and 2006. From 2003-2006, adult offspring over 21 years of age of all participating siblings and probands, as well as the coparents of the offspring were recruited and screened. Genotyping was performed in 3,232 participants on the Illumina 1Mv1\_c platform.

**HCHS/SOL (Hispanic Community Health Study/ Study of Latinos):** The HCHS/SOL is a community-based cohort study of 16,415 self-identified Hispanic/Latino persons aged 18–74 years and selected from households in predefined census-block groups across four US field centers (in Chicago, Miami, the Bronx, and San Diego). The census-block groups were chosen to provide diversity among cohort participants with regard to socioeconomic status and national origin or background. The HCHS/SOL cohort includes participants who self-identified as having a Hispanic/Latino background; the largest groups are Central American (n = 1,730), Cuban (n = 2,348), Dominican (n = 1,460), Mexican (n = 6,471), Puerto Rican (n = 2,728), and South American (n = 1,068). The HCHS/SOL baseline clinical examination occurred between 2008 and 2011 and included comprehensive biological, behavioral, and sociodemographic assessments. Consenting HCHS/SOL subjects were genotyped at Illumina on the HCHS/SOL custom 15041502 B3 array. The custom array comprised the Illumina Omni 2.5M array (HumanOmni2.5-8v.1-1) ancestry-informative markers, known GWAS hits and drug absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion (ADME) markers, and additional custom content including ~150,000 SNPs selected from the CLM (Colombian in Medellin, Colombia), MXL (Mexican Ancestry in Los Angeles, California), and PUR (Puerto Rican in Puerto Rico) samples in the 1000Genomes phase 1 data to capture a greater amount of Amerindian genetic variation. QA/QC procedures yielded a total of 12,803 unique study participants for imputation and downstream association analyses.

**IRAS Family Study (Insulin Resistance Atherosclerosis Study):** The IRASFS was a family study designed to examine the genetic and epidemiologic basis of glucose homeostasis traits and abdominal adiposity. Briefly, self-reported Mexican American pedigrees were recruited in San Antonio, TX and San Luis Valley, CO. Probands with large families were recruited from the initial non-family-based IRAS, which was modestly enriched for impaired glucose tolerance and T2D. Inclusion of IRASFS data is limited to 1040 normoglycemic individuals in 88 pedigrees with genotype data from the Illumina OmniExpress and Omni 1S arrays and imputation to the 1000 Genome Integrated Reference Panel (phase I).

**KORA (Cooperative Health Research in the Augsburg Region):** The KORA study is a series of independent population-based epidemiological surveys of participants living in the region of Augsburg, Southern Germany. All survey participants are residents of German nationality identified through the registration office and were examined in 1994/95 (KORA S3) and 1999/2001 (KORA S4). In the KORA S3 and S4 studies 4,856 and 4,261 subjects have been examined implying response rates of 75% and 67%, respectively. 3,006 subjects participated in a 10-year follow-up examination of S3 in 2004/05 (KORA F3), and 3080 of S4 in 2006/2008 (KORA F4). The age range of the participants was 25 to 74 years at recruitment. Informed

consent has been given by all participants. The study has been approved by the local ethics committee. Individuals for genotyping in KORA F3 and KORA F4 were randomly selected and these genotypes are taken for the analysis of the phenotypes in KORA S3 and KORA S4.

**Lifelines (Netherlands Biobank):** Lifelines (<https://lifelines.nl/>) is a multi-disciplinary prospective population-based cohort study using a unique three-generation design to examine the health and health-related behaviors of 165,000 persons living in the North East region of The Netherlands. It employs a broad range of investigative procedures in assessing the biomedical, socio-demographic, behavioral, physical and psychological factors which contribute to the health and disease of the general population, with a special focus on multimorbidity. In addition, the Lifelines project comprises a number of cross-sectional sub-studies which investigate specific age-related conditions. These include investigations into metabolic and hormonal diseases, including obesity, cardiovascular and renal diseases, pulmonary diseases and allergy, cognitive function and depression, and musculoskeletal conditions. All survey participants are between 18 and 90 years old at the time of enrollment. Recruitment has been going on since the end of 2006, and over 130,000 participants had been included by April 2013. At the baseline examination, the participants in the study were asked to fill in a questionnaire (on paper or online) before the first visit. During the first and second visit, the first or second part of the questionnaire, respectively, are checked for completeness, a number of investigations are conducted, and blood and urine samples are taken. Lifelines is a facility that is open for all researchers. Information on application and data access procedure is summarized on [www.lifelines.nl](http://www.lifelines.nl).

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**NESDA (Netherlands Study of Depression and Anxiety):** NESDA is a multi-center study designed to examine the long-term course and consequences of depressive and anxiety disorders (<http://www.nesda.nl>)<sup>1</sup>. NESDA included both individuals with depressive and/or anxiety disorders and controls without psychiatric conditions. Inclusion criteria were age 18-65 years and

self-reported western European ancestry while exclusion criteria were not being fluent in Dutch and having a primary diagnosis of another psychiatric condition (psychotic disorder, obsessive compulsive disorder, bipolar disorder, or severe substance use disorder).

Reference: Penninx, B.W. et al. The Netherlands Study of Depression and Anxiety (NESDA): rationale, objectives and methods. *Int J Methods Psychiatr Res* 17, 121-40 (2008).

**SHIP (Study of Health in Pomerania):** The Study of Health In Pomerania (SHIP) is a prospective longitudinal population-based cohort study in Mecklenburg-West Pomerania assessing the prevalence and incidence of common diseases and their risk factors (PMID: 20167617). SHIP encompasses the two independent cohorts SHIP and SHIP-TREND. Participants aged 20 to 79 with German citizenship and principal residency in the study area were recruited from a random sample of residents living in the three local cities, 12 towns as well as 17 randomly selected smaller towns. Individuals were randomly selected stratified by age and sex in proportion to population size of the city, town or small towns, respectively. A total of 4,308 participants were recruited between 1997 and 2001 in the SHIP cohort. Between 2008 and 2012 a total of 4,420 participants were recruited in the SHIP-TREND cohort. Individuals were invited to the SHIP study centre for a computer-assisted personal interviews and extensive physical examinations. The study protocol was approved by the medical ethics committee of the University of Greifswald. Oral and written informed consents was obtained from each of the study participants

Genome-wide SNP-typing was performed using the Affymetrix Genome-Wide Human SNP Array 6.0 or the Illumina Human Omni 2.5 array (SHIP-TREND samples). Array processing was carried out in accordance with the manufacturer's standard recommendations. Genotypes were determined using GenomeStudio Genotyping Module v1.0 (GenCall) for SHIP-TREND and the Birdseed2 clustering algorithm for SHIP. Imputation of genotypes in SHIP and SHIP-TREND was performed with the software IMPUTE v2.2.2 based on 1000 Genomes release March 2012.

**SWHS/SMHS (Shanghai Women's Health Study/ Shanghai Men's Health Study):** The Shanghai Women's Health Study (SWHS) is an ongoing population-based cohort study of approximately 75,000 women who were aged 40-70 years at study enrollment and resided in in urban Shanghai, China; 56,832 (75.8%) provided a blood samples. Recruitment for the SWHS was initiated in 1997 and completed in 2000. The self-administered questionnaire includes information on demographic characteristics, disease and surgery histories, personal habits (such as cigarette smoking, alcohol consumption, tea drinking, and ginseng use), menstrual history, residential history, occupational history, and family history of cancer.

The Shanghai Men's Health Study (SMHS) is an ongoing population-based cohort study of 61,480 Chinese men who were aged between 40 and 74 years, were free of cancer at enrollment, and lived in urban Shanghai, China; 45,766 (74.4%) provided a blood samples. Recruitment for the SMHS was initiated in 2002 and completed in 2006. The self-administered questionnaire includes information on demographic characteristics, disease and surgery histories, personal habits (such as cigarette smoking, alcohol consumption, tea drinking, and ginseng use), residential history, occupational history, and family history of cancer.

Genotyping and imputation: Genomic DNA was extracted from buffy coats by using a Qiagen DNA purification kit (Valencia, CA) or Puregene DNA purification kit (Minneapolis, MN)

according to the manufacturers' instructions and then used for genotyping assays. The GWAS genotyping was performed using the Affymetrix Genome-Wide Human SNP Array 6.0 (Affy6.0) platform or Illumina 660, following manufacturers' protocols. After sample quality control, we exclude SNPs with 1) MAF <0.01; 2) call rate <95%; 2) bad genotyping cluster; and 3) concordance rate <95% among duplicated QC samples. Genotypes were imputed using the program MACH (<http://www.sph.umich.edu/csg/abecasis/MACH/download/>), which determines the probable distribution of missing genotypes conditional on a set of known haplotypes, while simultaneously estimating the fine-scale recombination map. Phased autosome SNP data from HapMap Phase II Asians (release 22) were used as the reference. To test for associations between the imputed SNP data with BMI, linear regression (additive model) was used, in which SNPs were represented by the expected allele count, an approach that takes into account the degree of uncertainty of genotype imputation (<http://www.sph.umich.edu/csg/abecasis/MACH/download/>).

**YFS (The Cardiovascular Risk in Young Finns Study):** The YFS is a population-based follow up-study started in 1980. The main aim of the YFS is to determine the contribution made by childhood lifestyle, biological and psychological measures to the risk of cardiovascular diseases in adulthood. In 1980, over 3,500 children and adolescents all around Finland participated in the baseline study. The follow-up studies have been conducted mainly with 3-year intervals. The latest 30-year follow-up study was conducted in 2010-11 (ages 33-49 years) with 2,063 participants. The study was approved by the local ethics committees (University Hospitals of Helsinki, Turku, Tampere, Kuopio and Oulu) and was conducted following the guidelines of the Declaration of Helsinki. All participants gave their written informed consent.

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**Supplementary Table 1: Sample Sizes of Studies Participating in Stage 1**

Ancestry		HDL			LDL			TG		
		N STST	N LTST	N Total	N STST	N LTST	N Total	N STST	N LTST	N Total
<b>African</b>	ARIC	173	176	855	160	168	793	160	169	803
	CARDIA	170	167	816	168	164	811	170	167	816
	CHS	87	94	434	86	93	427	87	93	429
	HANDLS	98	NA	485	92	NA	461	94	NA	464
	HABC	216	214	1066	213	211	1057	216	215	1067
	JHS	389	370	1942	383	366	1921	389	370	1942
	MESA	233	237	1183	231	236	1178	233	237	1184
	WHI-SHARe	1641	1675	8127	1641	1675	8127	1641	1675	8127
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3007</b>	<b>2933</b>	<b>14908</b>	<b>2974</b>	<b>2913</b>	<b>14775</b>	<b>2990</b>	<b>2926</b>	<b>14832</b>
<b>Asian</b>	GenSalt	369	364	1813	365	358	1790	369	364	1813
	MESA	114	112	566	110	110	554	114	112	566
	<b>Total</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>2379</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>2344</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>2379</b>
<b>European</b>	AGES	879	263	3202	876	261	3190	879	263	3202
	ARIC	629	655	3131	610	622	3003	612	632	3032
	CARDIA	310	319	1528	307	312	1507	310	319	1528
	CHS	310	346	1544	305	339	1510	311	340	1535
	ERF	180	176	892	178	174	880	178	176	886
	FHS	1523	1494	7561	1367	1317	6668	1385	1334	6726
	HABC	334	328	1611	325	321	1577	334	328	1612
	HERITAGE	97	98	483	97	98	483	97	98	483
	MESA	398	409	1993	394	403	1973	398	409	1993
	NEO	1004	992	4953	990	973	4884	1004	992	4953
	RS1	166	166	820	158	161	792	160	161	795
	RS2	225	223	1123	222	215	1091	222	216	1096
	RS3	573	583	2263	555	569	2832	564	578	2872
	WHI-GARNET	760	761	3767	760	761	3767	760	761	3767
	WHI-WHIMS	1086	1057	5170	1086	1057	5170	1086	1057	5170
	<b>Total</b>	<b>8474</b>	<b>7870</b>	<b>40041</b>	<b>8230</b>	<b>7583</b>	<b>39327</b>	<b>8300</b>	<b>7664</b>	<b>39650</b>
<b>Hispanic</b>	MESA	216	216	1076	214	214	1054	216	216	1076
	WHI-SHARe	733	696	3384	733	696	3384	733	696	3384

	<b>Total</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>912</b>	<b>4460</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>4438</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>912</b>	<b>4460</b>
<b>Brazilian</b>	Baependi	133	126	669	132	126	664	133	126	669
	<b>Total</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>669</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>664</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>669</b>
<b>Transancestry</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>13046</b>	<b>12317</b>	<b>62457</b>	<b>12758</b>	<b>12000</b>	<b>61548</b>	<b>12855</b>	<b>12104</b>	<b>61990</b>

**Supplementary Table 2: Genotyping and Imputation in Stage 1 Studies**

<b>Ancestry</b>		<b>Genotyping Platform</b>	<b>Imputation Software</b>
<b>African</b>	ARIC	Affymetrix 6.0	IMPUTE2
	CARDIA	Affymetrix 6.0	MaCH/minimac
	CHS	Illumina HumanOmni-Quad_v1 BeadChip	IMPUTE version 2.2.2
	HANDLS	Illumina 1M and 1Mduo arrays	MaCH/minimac
	HABC	Illumina HumanCoreExome BeadChip	MaCH (version 1.0.16)
	JHS	Affymetrix 6.0	MaCH (version 1.0.16)
	MESA	Affymetrix 6.0	IMPUTE2
	WHI-SHARe	Affymetrix 6.0	MaCH (version 1.0.16)
<b>Asian</b>	GenSalt	Affymetrix 6.0	MaCH/minimac
	MESA	Affymetrix 6.0	IMPUTE2
<b>European</b>	AGES	Illumina Hu370CNV	MaCH (version 1.0.16)
	ARIC	Affymetrix 6.0	IMPUTE2
	CARDIA	Affymetrix 6.0	BEAGLE version 3.3.2
	CHS	Illumina 370CNV BeadChip (merged with ITMAT-Broad-CARe (IBC) Illumina iSELECT chip	MaCH/minimac
	ERF	Illumina 6k, Illumina 318K, Affymetrix 250K, Illumina 350K, Illumina 610K	MaCH 1.0.18.c
	FHS	Affymetrix Nsp, Sty and 50K gene centric	MaCH/minimac
	HABC	Illumina HumanCoreExome BeadChip	MaCH (version 1.0.16)
	HERITAGE	Illumina 370CNV	minimac
	MESA	Affymetrix 6.0	IMPUTE2
	NEO	Illumina HumanCoreExome-24v1_A Beadchip	IMPUTE2
	RS1	Illumina 550 (+duo), Illumina 610 quad	MaCH (version 1.0)
	RS2	Illumina 550 duo	MaCH 1.0
	RS3	Illumina 610 quad	MaCH/minimac
	WHI-GARNET	Illumina HumanOmni1-Quad v1-0 B	MaCH (version 1.0.16)
	WHI-WHIMS	HumanOmniExpressExome-8v1_B	MaCH (version 1.0.16)
<b>Hispanic</b>	MESA	Affymetrix 6.0	IMPUTE2
	WHI-SHARe	Affymetrix 6.0	MaCH (version 1.0.16)
<b>Brazilian</b>	Baependi	Genome-wide SNP Human Array 6.0 (Affymetrix 6.0)	SHAPEIT and IMPUTE2

**Supplementary Table 3: Sample Sizes of Studies Participating in Stage 2**

Ancestry		HDL			LDL			TG		
		N	STST	N Total	N	STST	N Total	N	STST	N Total
African	CFS	52	48	301	49	46	291	52	48	302
	GeneSTAR	169	169	845	165	168	836	168	169	843
	<b>Total</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>1146</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>1127</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>1145</b>
Asian	DFTJ	279	266	1387	279	266	1387	279	266	1387
	SMWHS	350	350	1746	350	350	1746	47	51	231
	<b>Total</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>3133</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>3133</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>1618</b>
European	AIRWAVE	2810	2805	14006	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	CFS	68	61	413	68	60	411	68	61	413
	COLAUS	929	925	4641	923	917	4613	929	925	4641
	DR EXTRA	246	246	1230	246	246	1230	246	246	1230
	EGCUT - Omni Express	166	119	803	166	119	803	131	90	654
	EGCUT - Human370CNV	103	99	512	103	99	512	NA	NA	NA
	GeneSTAR	247	249	1237	245	244	1218	248	249	1240
	KORA - S3	611	621	3044	611	619	3038	73	47	246
	KORA - F4	226	225	1128	226	225	1128	225	226	1127
	Lifelines	2470	2430	12229	2470	2430	12230	2470	2430	12230
	NESDA	274	274	1369	273	273	1365	275	275	1374
	SHIP	812	810	4023	807	803	4000	NA	NA	NA
	SHIP-Trend	198	197	983	198	197	983	198	197	983
	YFS	425	425	1994	425	425	1994	425	425	1994
	<b>Total</b>	<b>9585</b>	<b>9486</b>	<b>47612</b>	<b>6761</b>	<b>6657</b>	<b>33525</b>	<b>5288</b>	<b>5171</b>	<b>26132</b>
Hispanic	IRASFS	192	189	951	189	189	943	192	189	951
	SOL	2325	2326	11627	2284	2268	11384	2325	2326	11628
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2517</b>	<b>2515</b>	<b>12578</b>	<b>2473</b>	<b>2457</b>	<b>12327</b>	<b>2517</b>	<b>2515</b>	<b>12579</b>
Transancestry	<b>Total</b>	<b>12952</b>	<b>12834</b>	<b>64469</b>	<b>10077</b>	<b>9944</b>	<b>50112</b>	<b>8351</b>	<b>8220</b>	<b>41474</b>

**Supplementary Table 4:** Genotyping and Imputation in Stage 2 Studies

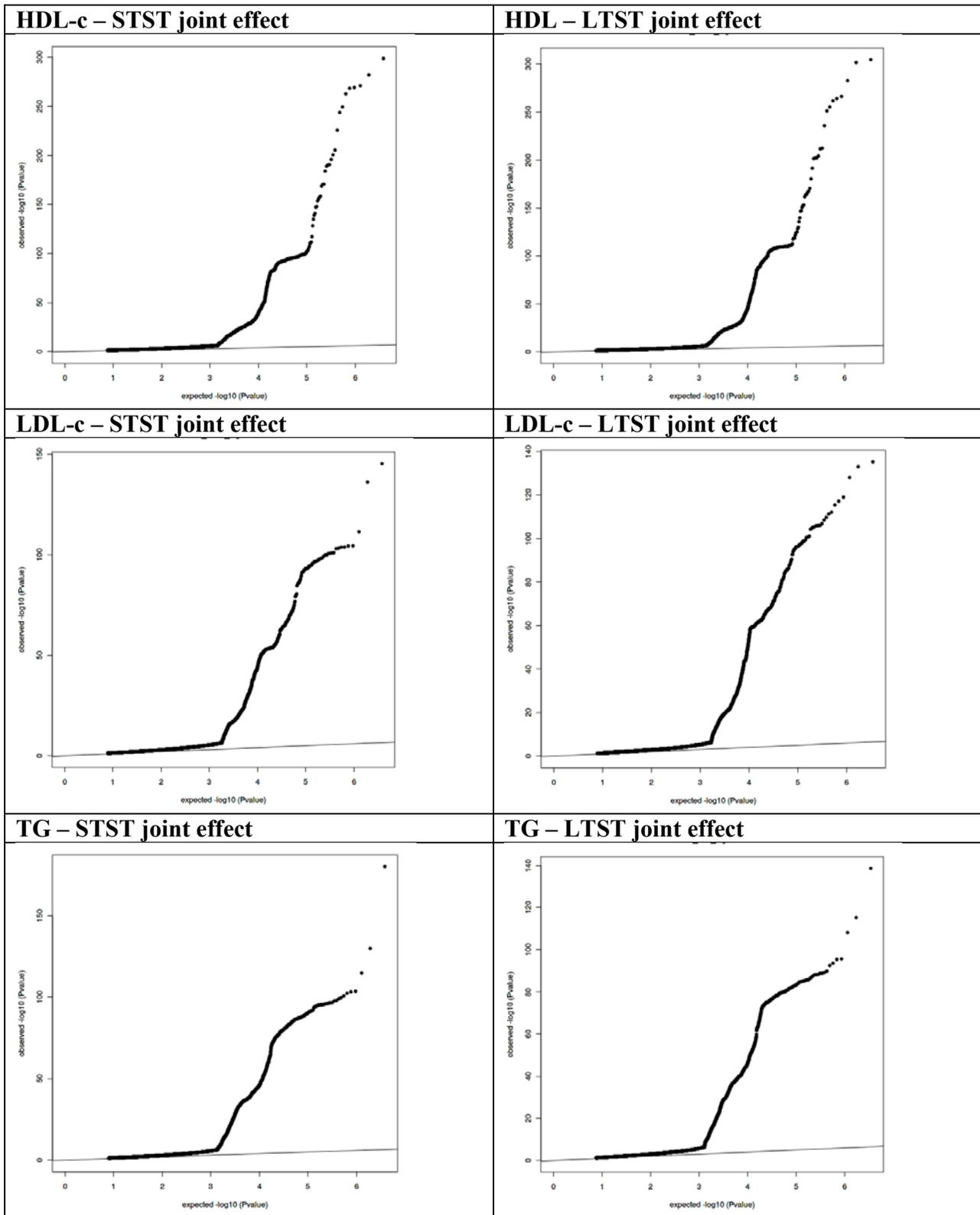
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<b>African</b>	CFS	Affymetrix	MACH-ADMIX
	GeneSTAR	Illumina 1M_v1C	IMPUTE2
<b>Asian</b>	DF-TJ	Affymetrix 6.0	MaCH/minimac
	SMWHS	Affymetrix 6.0, Illumina Omni Express, Illumina 550, Illumina 1M	MaCH/minimac
<b>European</b>	AIRWAVE	Illumina HumanCoreExome- 12v1-1	Minimac3
	CFS	Illumina Omni	IMPUTE2
	COLAUS	Affymetrix Human Mapping 500K	minimac
	DR EXTRA	Illumina Cardiometabochip	MaCH/minimac
	EGCUT - Omni Express	Illumina OmniExpress	IMPUTE2
	EGCUT - Human370CNV	Illumina HumanCNV370	IMPUTE2
	GeneSTAR	Illumina 1M_v1C	IMPUTE2
	KORA - S3	Illumina Omni 2.5/Illumina Omni Express	IMPUTE v2.3.0
	KORA - F4	Affymetrix Axiom	IMPUTE v2.3.0
	Lifelines	Illumina Cyto SNP12 v2	MaCH/minimac
	NESDA	Affymetrix 5.0, Affymetrix 6.0	MACH/minimac
	SHIP-O	Affymetrix Genome-wide Human SNP Array 6.0	IMPUTE v2.2.2
SHIP-Trend	Illumina HumanOmni2.5 BeadChip	IMPUTE v2.2.2	
YFS	Illumina 670k custom	IMPUTE2	
<b>Hispanic</b>	IRASFS	Illumina OmniExpress+1S	IMPUTE2
	SOL	Illumina SOL HCHS Custom 15041502 B3 array	IMPUTE2

**Supplementary Table 5:** Association of novel SNPs with coronary artery disease (CAD) from the CARDIoGRAMplusC4D 1000 Genomes-based GWAS meta-analysis (60,801 CAD cases and 123,504 controls).

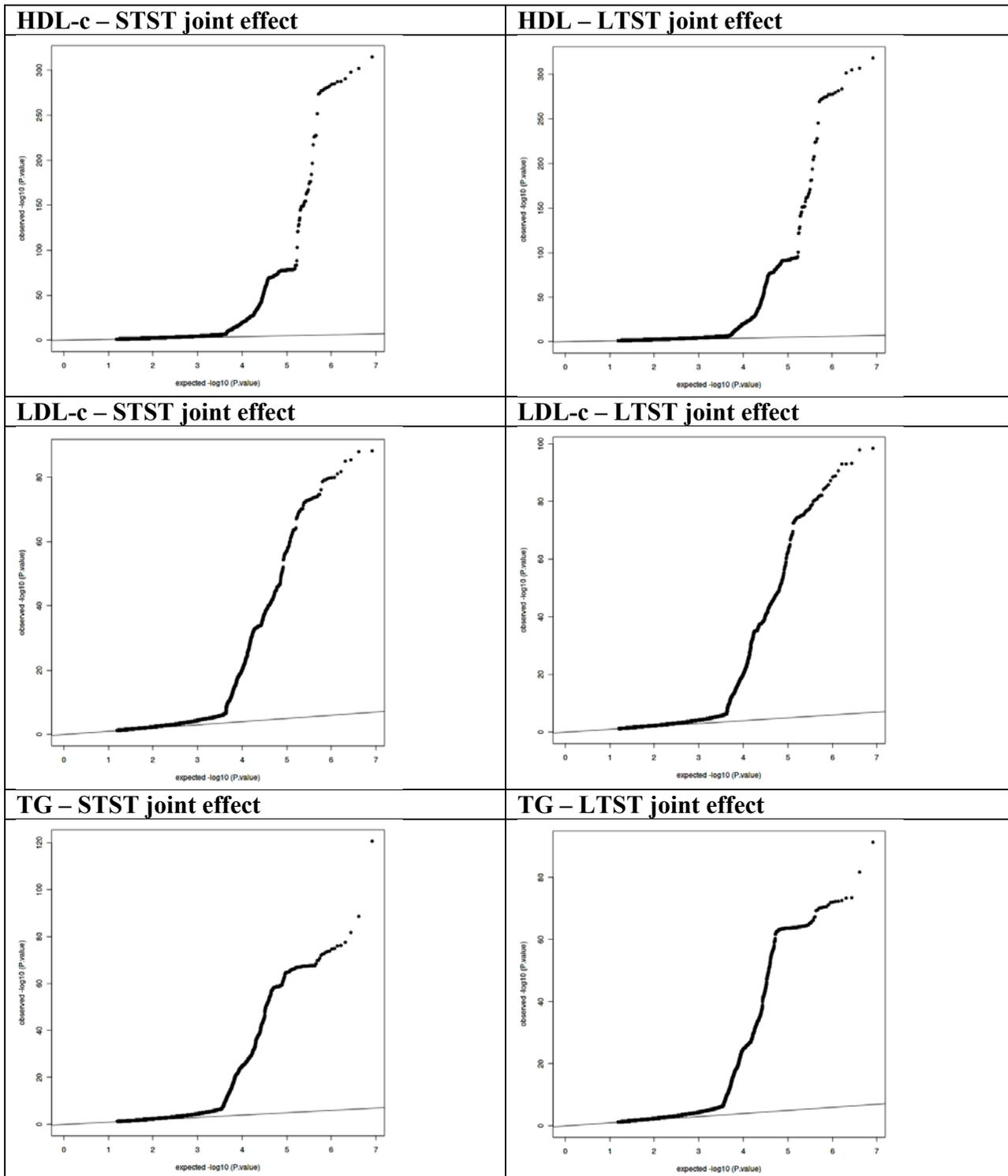
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ln(HDL-c)	rs1348206	FAM47E	a	LTST	0.009	0.013	5.18E-01	MULTI
ln(HDL-c)	rs2544681	MIR4280	a	LTST	0.000	0.014	9.74E-01	MULTI
ln(HDL-c)	rs4296102	MIR331	t	LTST	-0.020	0.011	6.70E-02	MULTI
ln(HDL-c)	rs6501801	KIAA0195	t	LTST	0.009	0.011	4.15E-01	MULTI/EA
ln(HDL-c)	rs7462612	ATP6V1H	a	LTST	0.001	0.011	9.33E-01	MULTI
ln(HDL-c)	rs7799249	ATP6V0A4	a	LTST	0.005	0.011	6.09E-01	MULTI/EA
LDL-c	rs1466848	BOC	t	LTST	-0.013	0.018	4.71E-01	MULTI
LDL-c	rs2821357	NR5A2	t	LTST	0.005	0.014	7.02E-01	MULTI
LDL-c	rs4075349	IGFBP7-AS1	t	LTST	0.014	0.009	1.23E-01	MULTI
LDL-c	rs4926854	FOXD2	t	LTST	0.005	0.009	5.64E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs1857237	<i>RNU5F-1</i>	t	LTST	-0.006	0.014	6.63E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs2801439	<i>SLC35F3</i>	t	LTST	-0.003	0.010	7.74E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs296363	<i>SULT2A1</i>	c	LTST	0.017	0.011	1.43E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs6550067	<i>OSBPL10</i>	t	LTST	0.006	0.010	5.65E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs6800190	<i>MIR4790</i>	c	LTST	0.006	0.010	5.67E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs7965852	<i>PDE3A</i>	a	LTST	0.008	0.009	3.85E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs8041815	<i>ADAMTS17</i>	a	LTST	-0.020	0.010	3.45E-02	MULTI
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LDL-c	rs12598569	<i>SNX29</i>	t	STST	0.002	0.010	8.24E-01	MULTI/EA
LDL-c	rs429921	<i>VAT1L</i>	a	STST	0.003	0.010	7.70E-01	MULTI/EA
LDL-c	rs4733156	<i>FUT10</i>	a	STST	-0.004	0.010	7.07E-01	MULTI
LDL-c	rs681554	<i>KLHL31</i>	t	STST	0.010	0.013	4.55E-01	MULTI

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LDL-c	rs8077967	METRNL	t	STST	0.005	0.014	7.39E-01	MULTI
LDL-c	rs9906564	GPRC5C	t	STST	0.011	0.011	3.24E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs10019234	PCDH18	a	STST	-0.005	0.012	6.81E-01	MULTI
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ln(TG)	rs4849021	AC097499.1	a	STST	-0.015	0.012	2.08E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs5746495	MICAL3	t	STST	-0.004	0.010	7.28E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs7924896	METTL15	a	STST	-0.012	0.009	2.10E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs970908	LINC01289	a	STST	0.000	0.009	9.68E-01	MULTI
ln(TG)	rs1830079	ZNF273	t	STST	-0.006	0.021	7.74E-01	EU
ln(TG)	rs4394754	INPP5A	t	STST	0.001	0.011	9.20E-01	EU
ln(HDL-c)	rs7689238	AFAP1	t	STST	-0.003	0.009	7.61E-01	EU
ln(TG)	rs7903921	GLRX3	a	STST	-0.006	0.010	5.43E-01	EU
ln(HDL-c)	rs1436345	ALCAM	a	LTST	-0.004	0.010	6.97E-01	EU
LDL-c	rs181559417	DAPL1	t	LTST	0.052	0.052	3.15E-01	EU
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ln(HDL-c)	rs3938236	SPRED1	a	LTST	0.006	0.015	6.70E-01	EU
LDL-c	rs6461337	SNX13	t	LTST	-0.003	0.009	7.40E-01	EU
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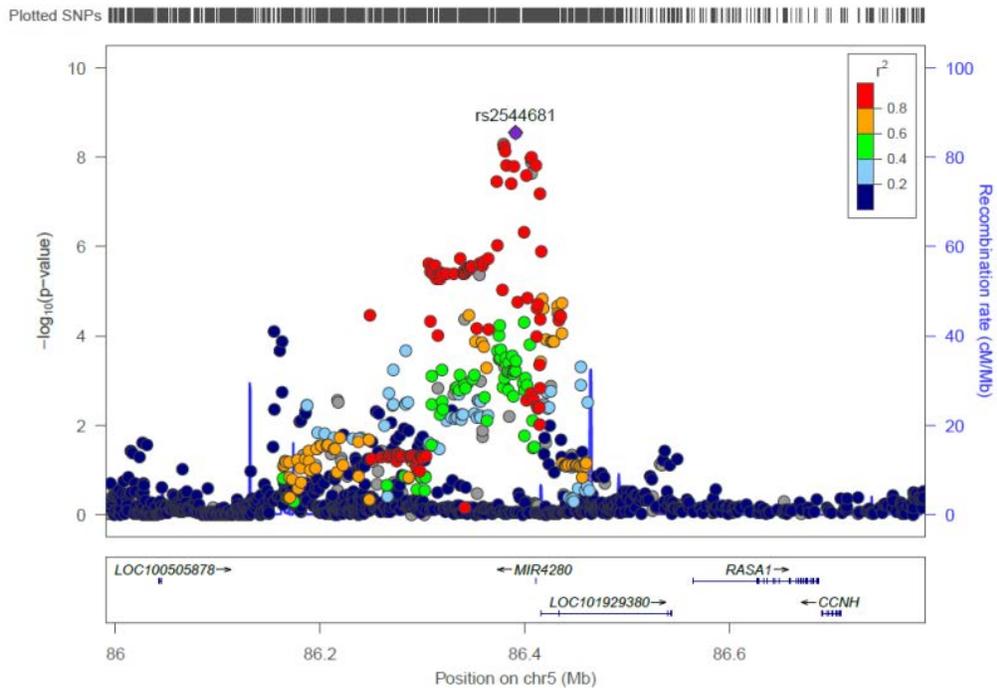
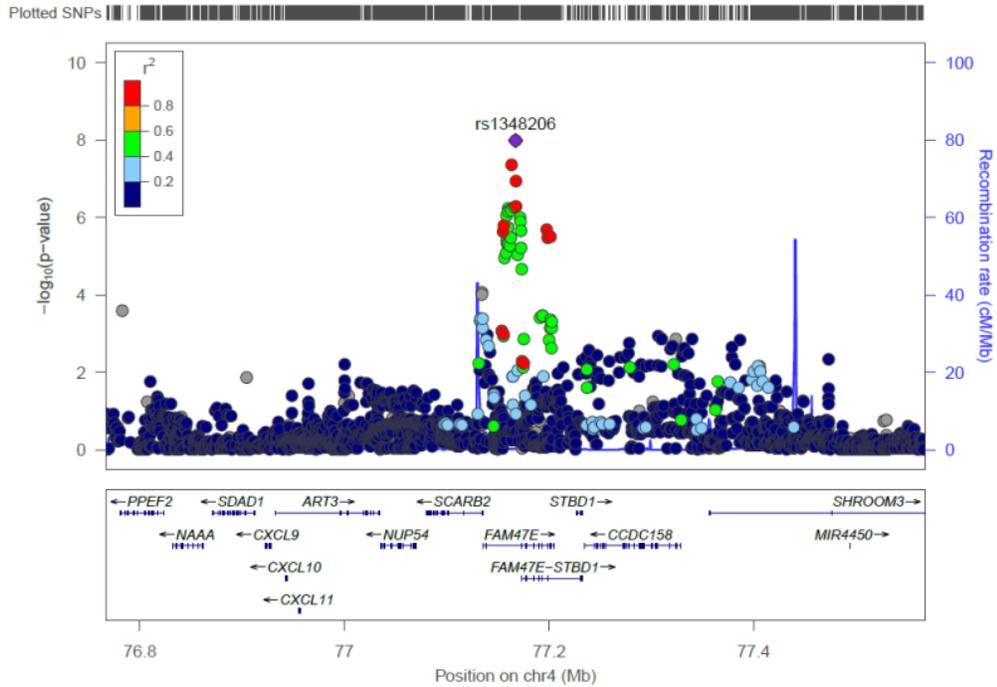
**Supplementary Figure 1: QQ plots of the multi-ancestry meta-analyses of stage 1 and 2 studies**

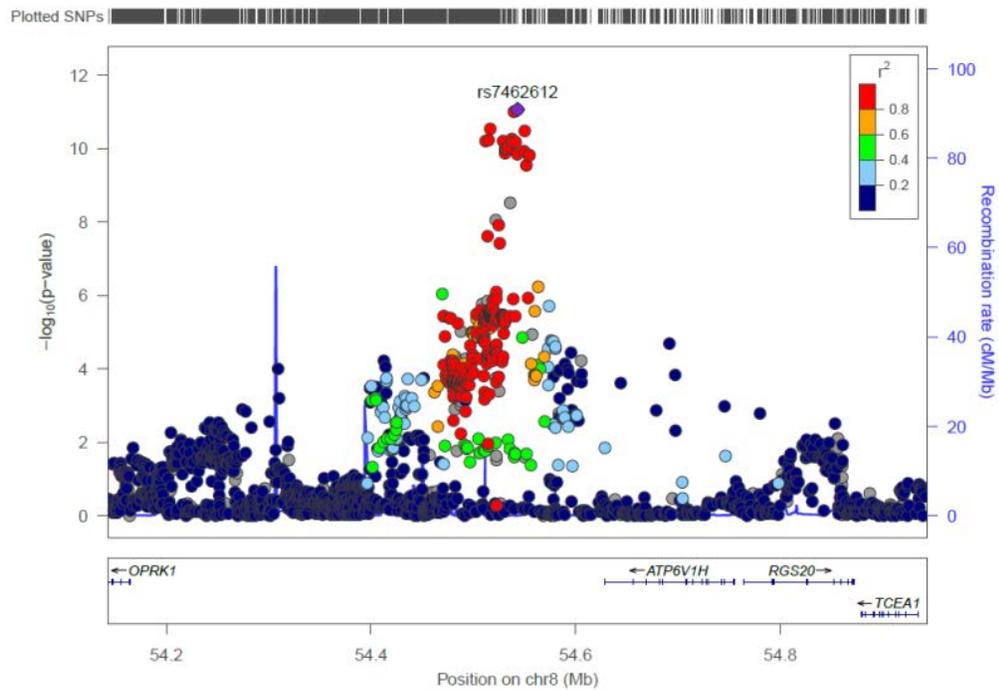
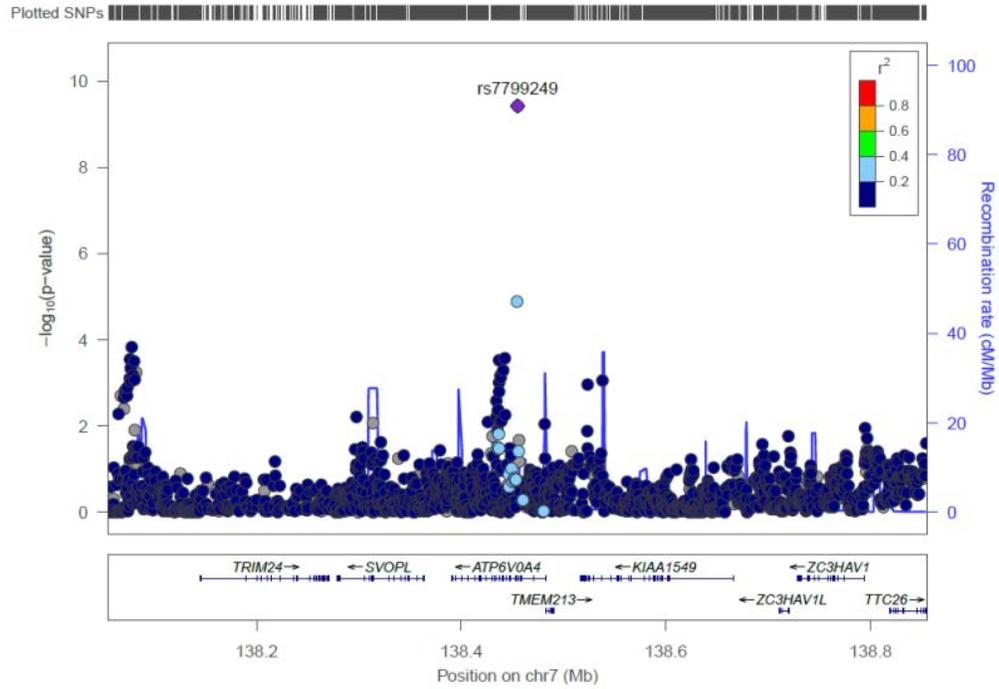


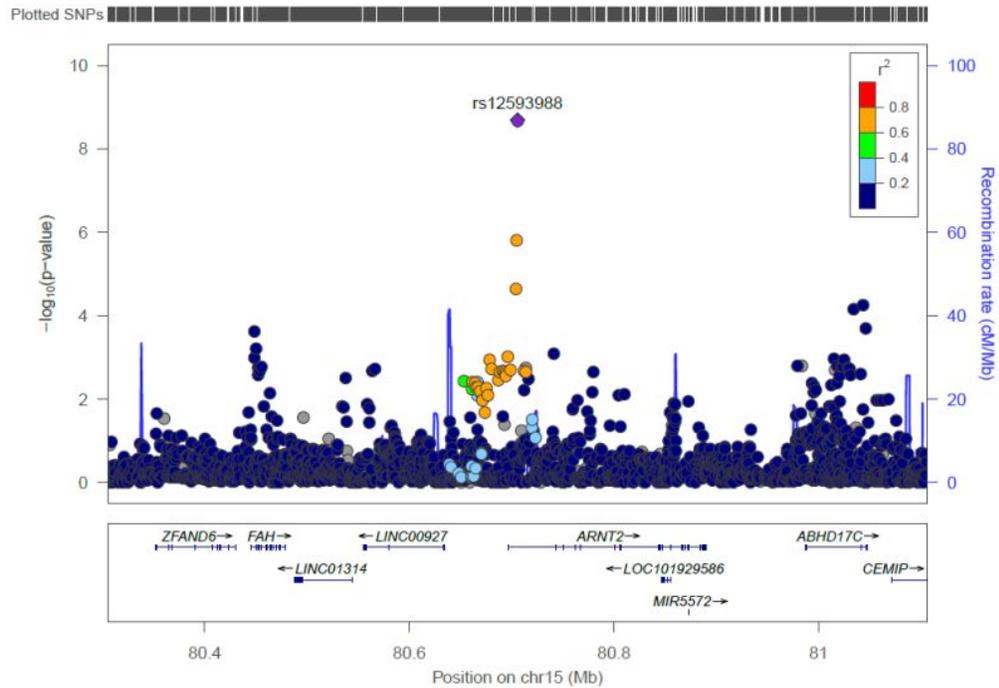
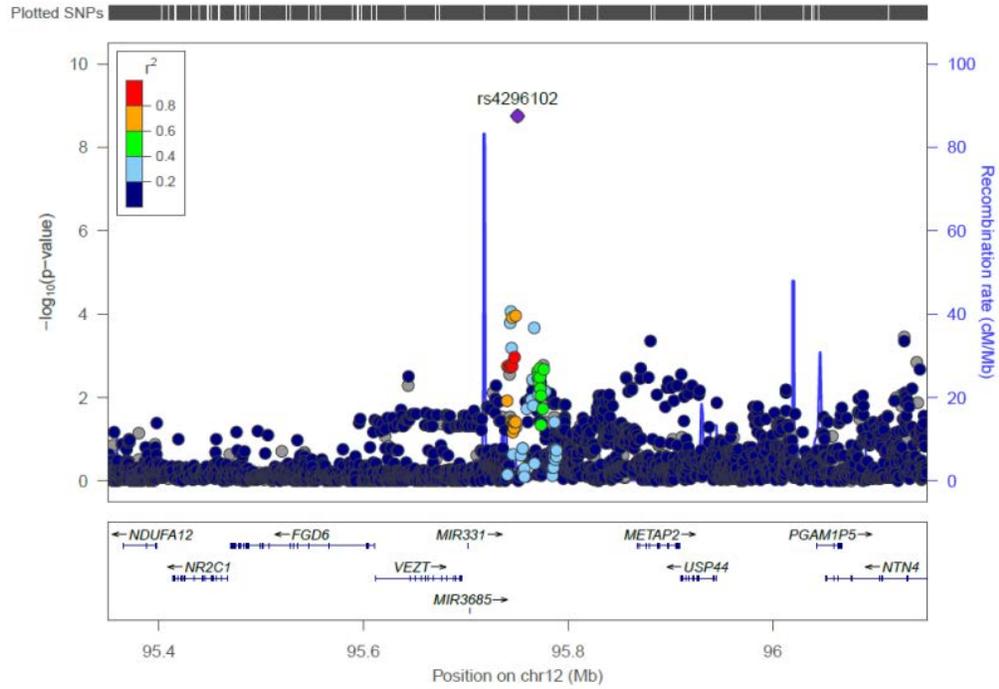
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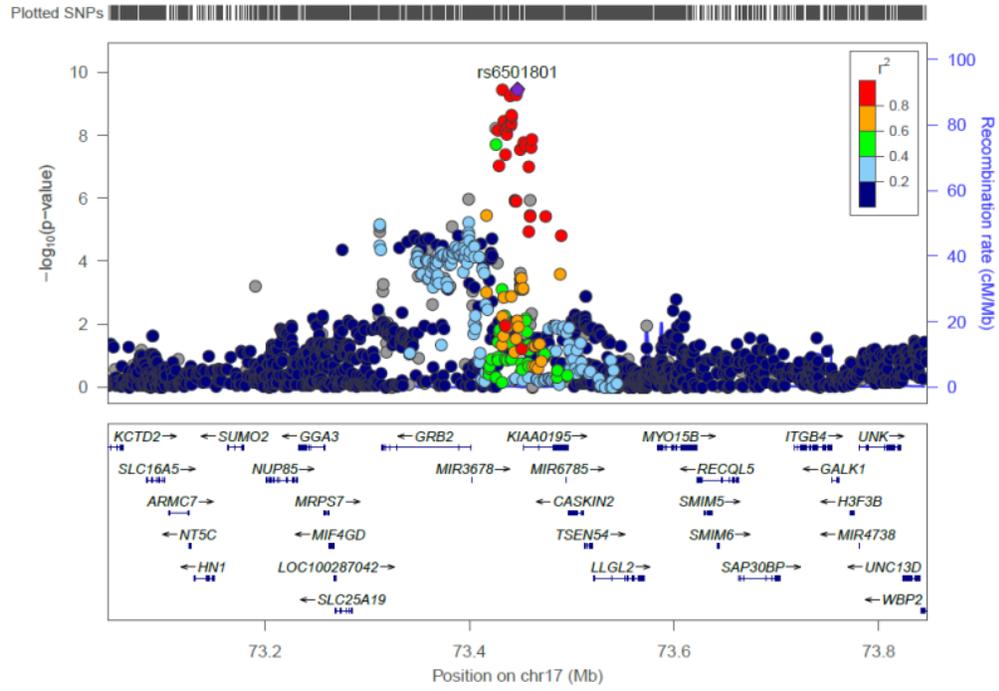


**Supplementary Figure 3:** Regional plots of the replicated novel hits of the joint effect of long total sleep time on HDL cholesterol in the multi-ancestry meta-analyses

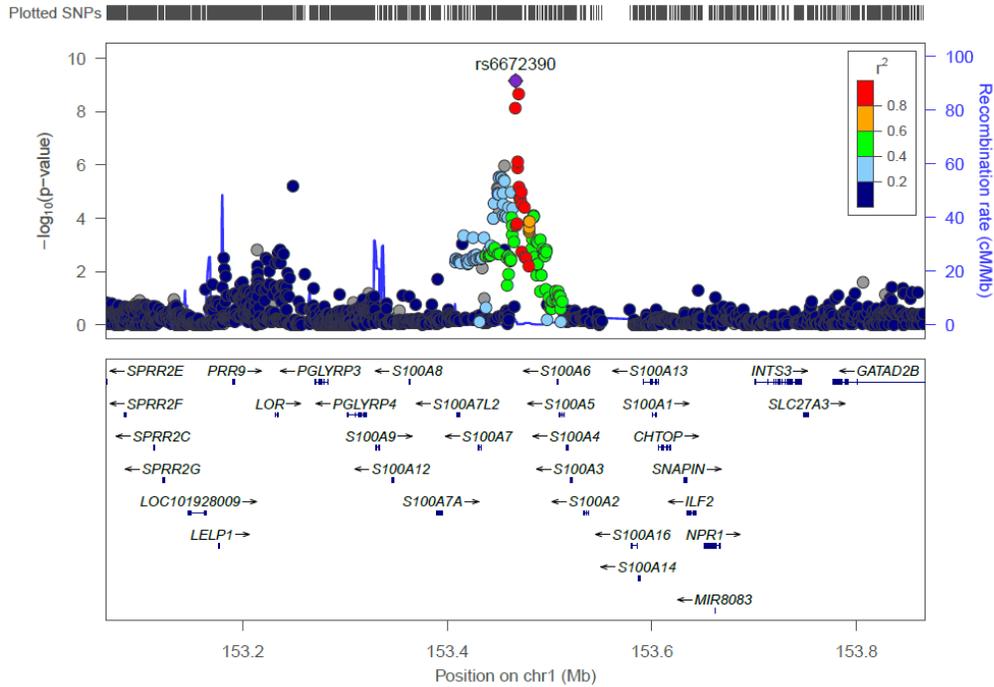


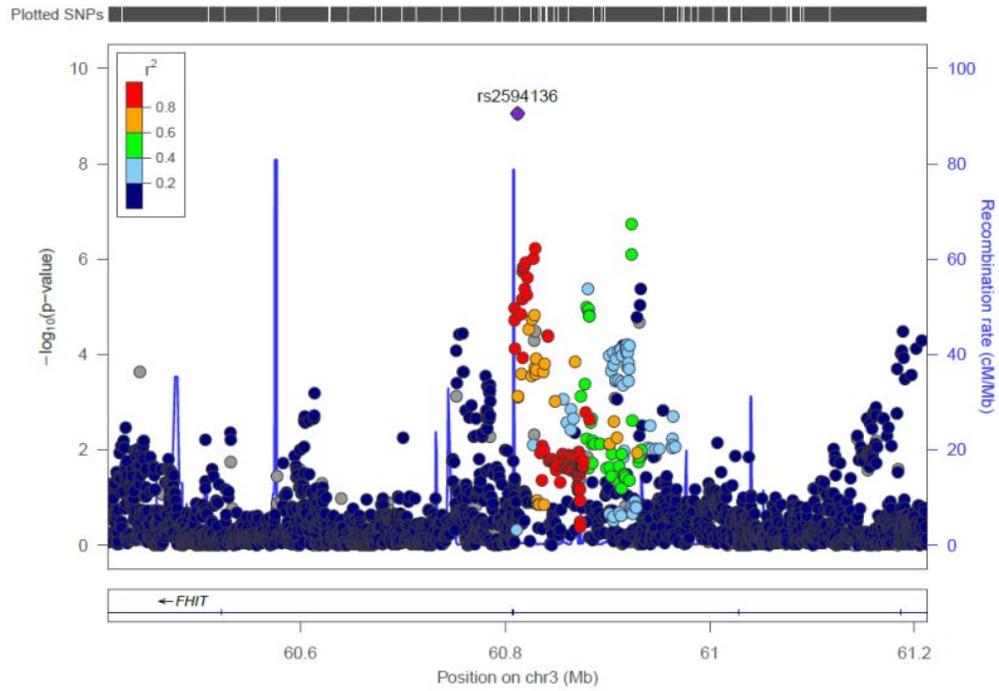
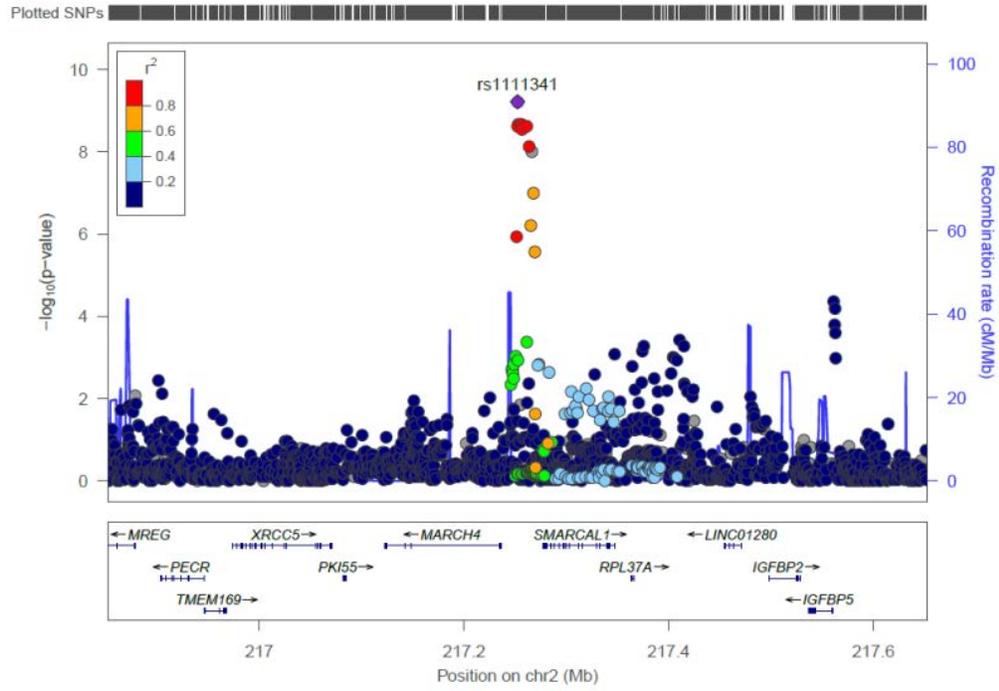


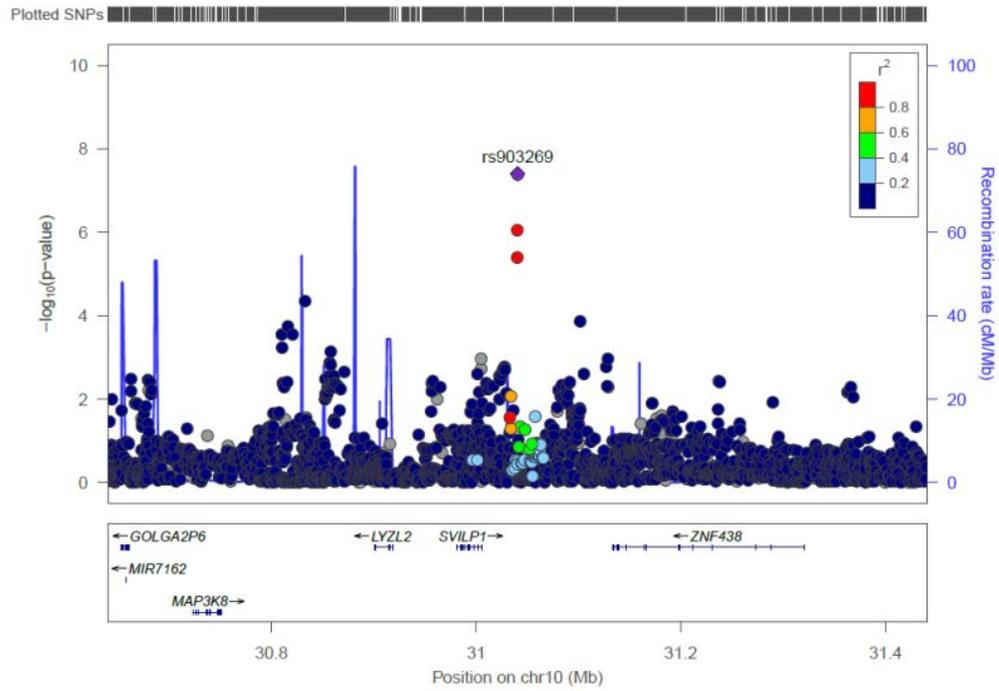
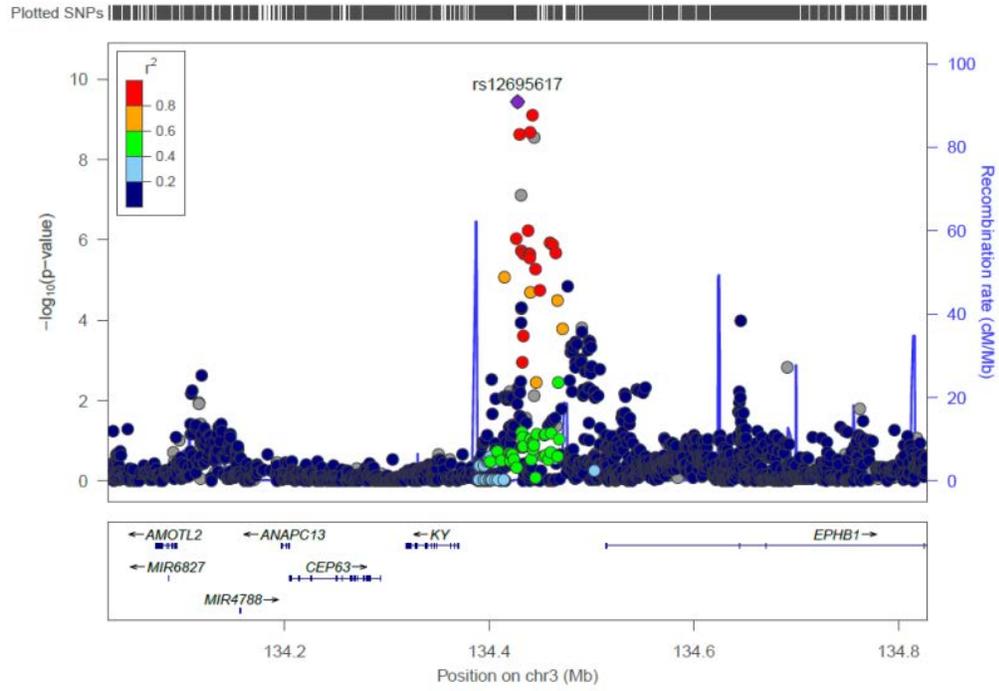


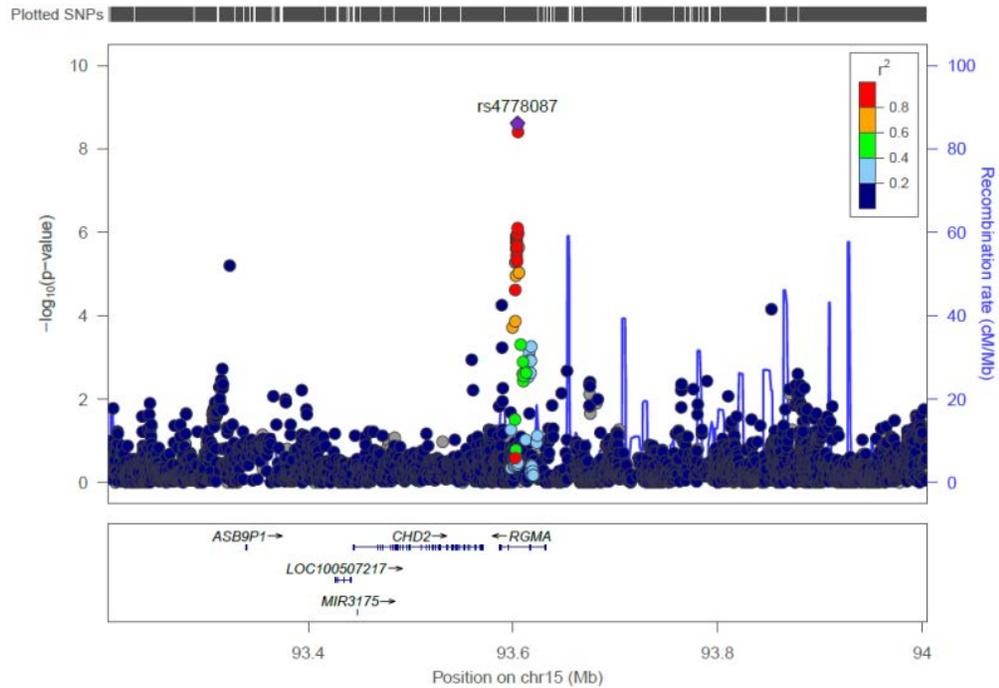
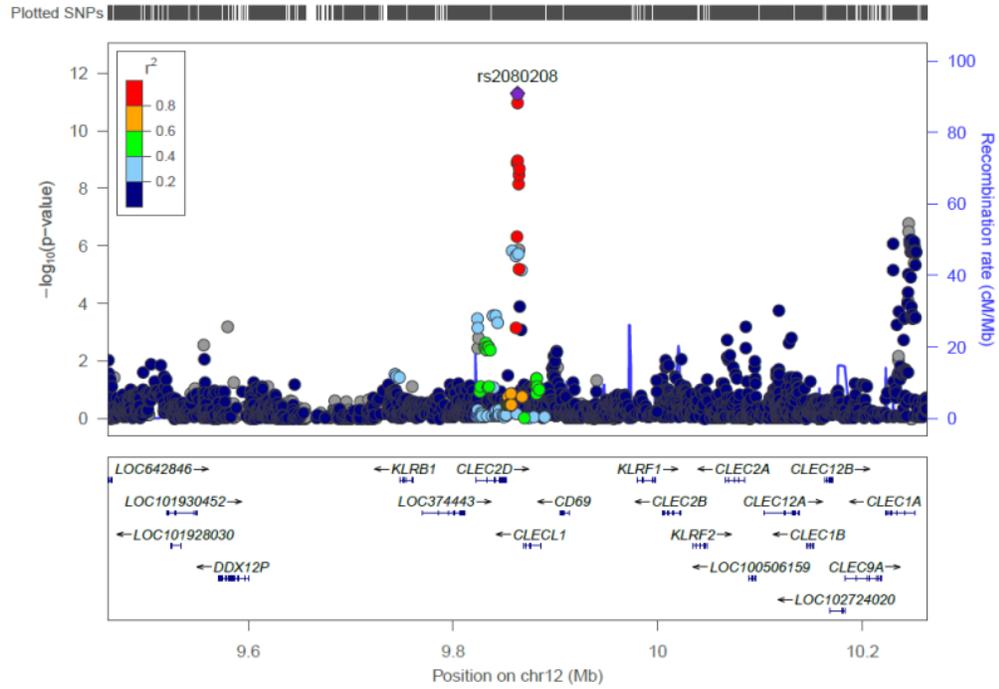


**Supplementary Figure 4:** Regional plots of the replicated novel hits of the joint effect of short total sleep time on HDL cholesterol in the multi-ancestry meta-analyses

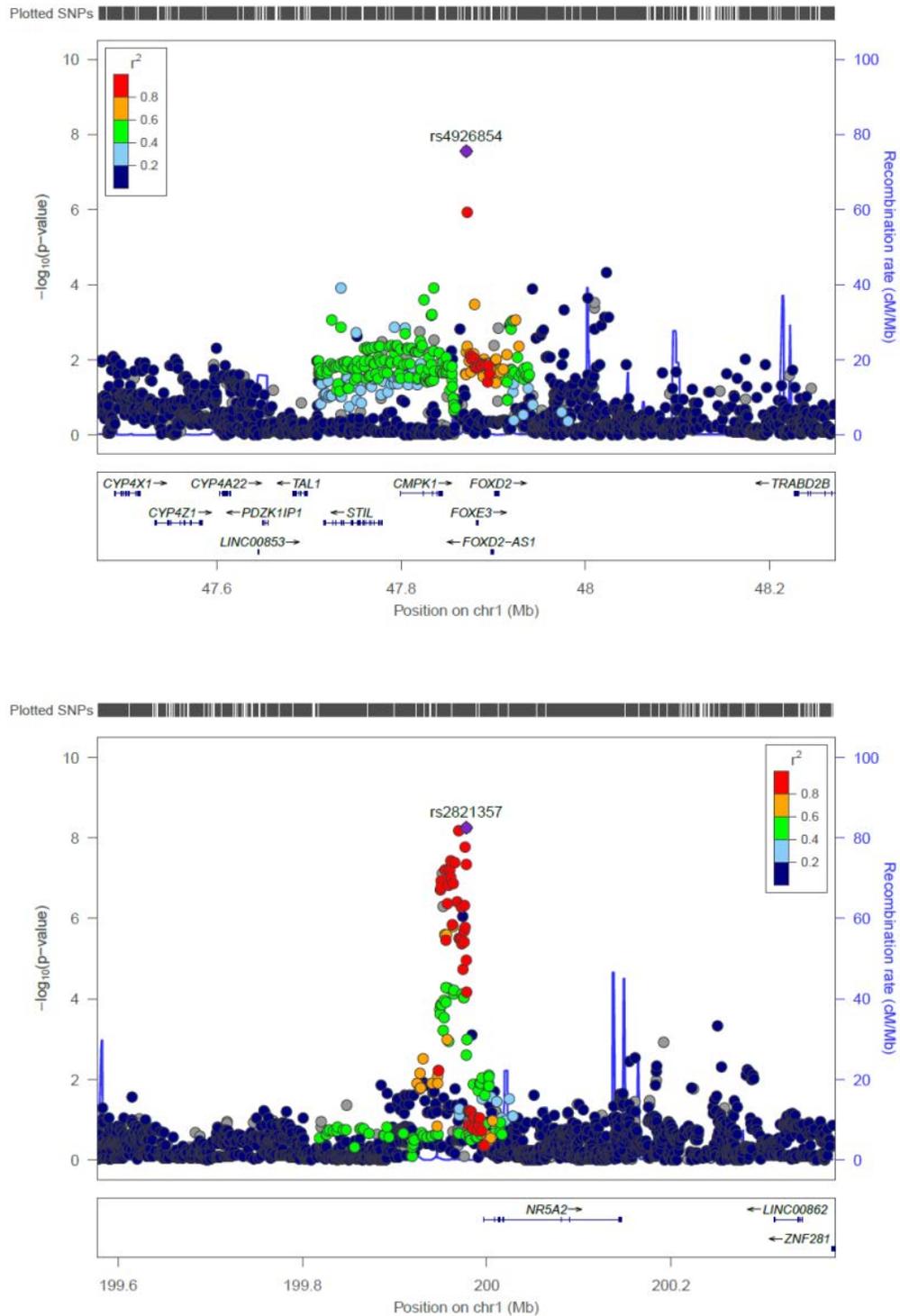


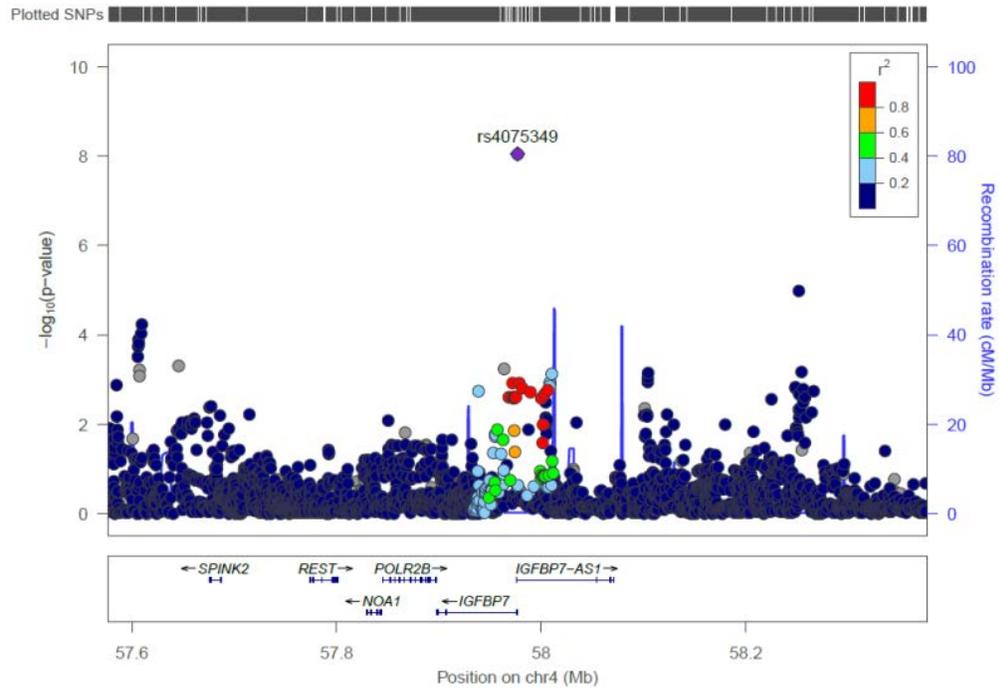
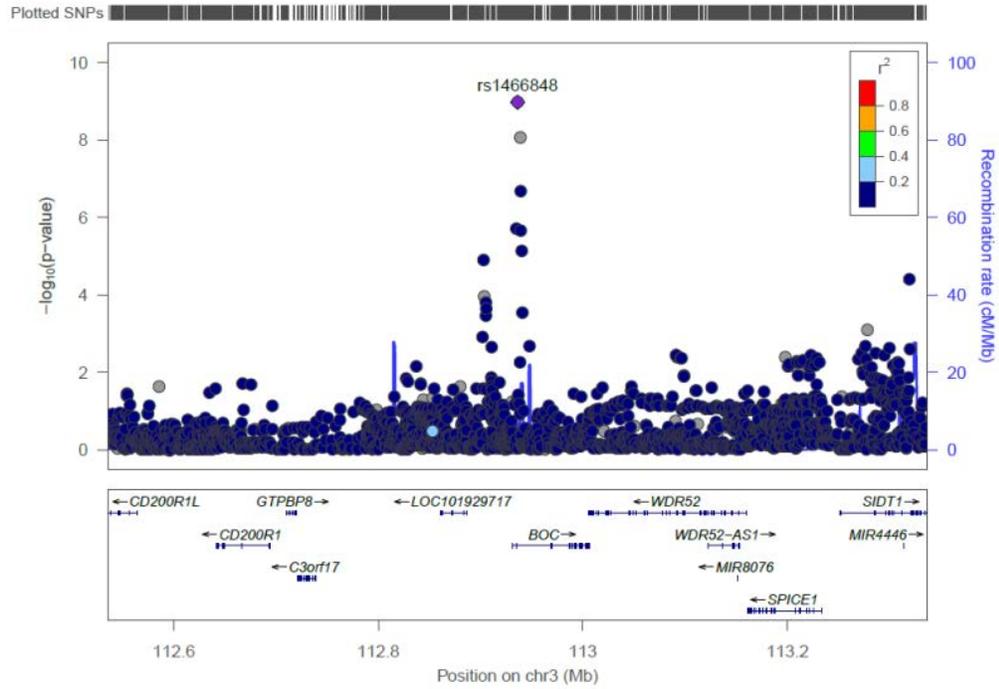




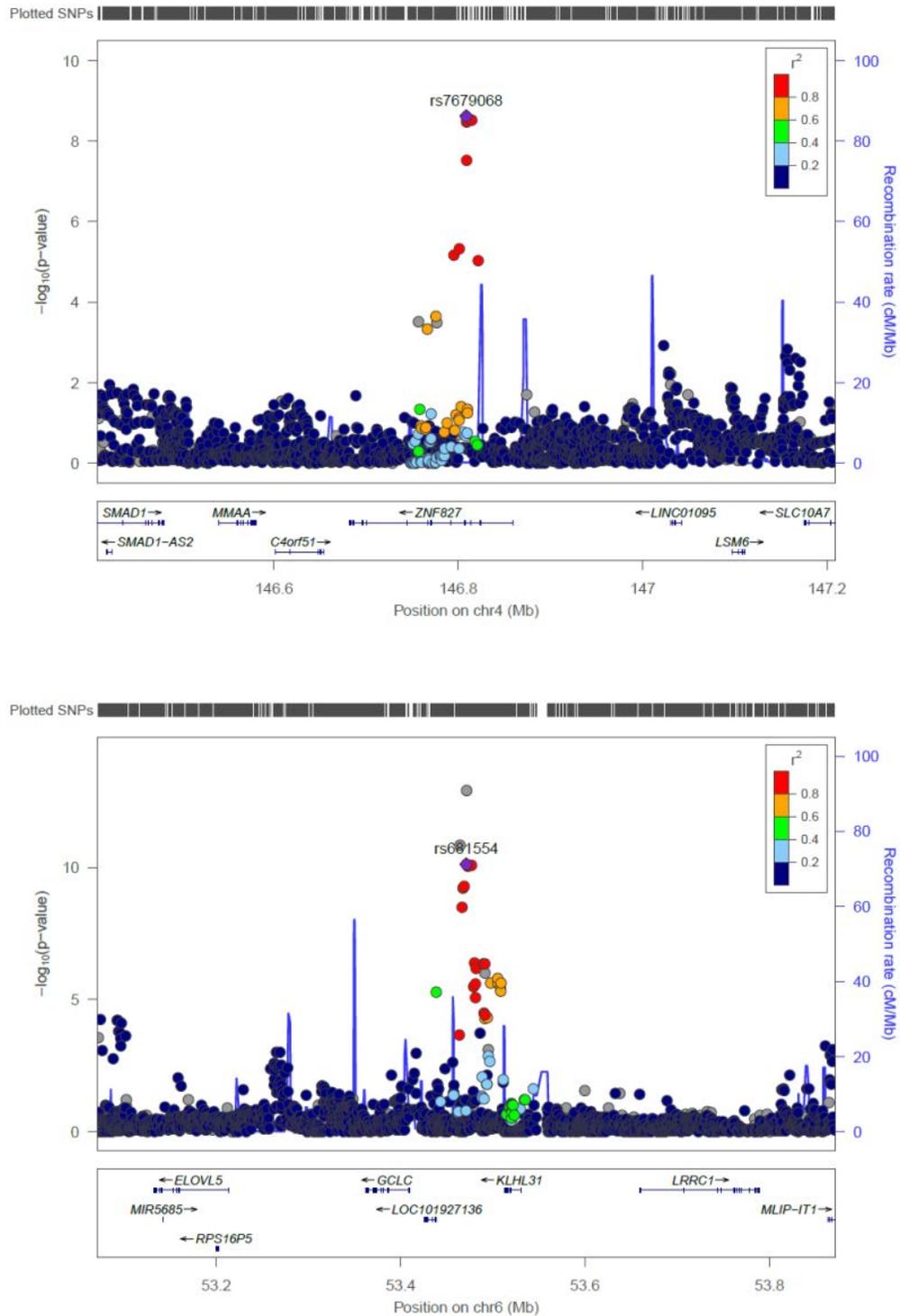


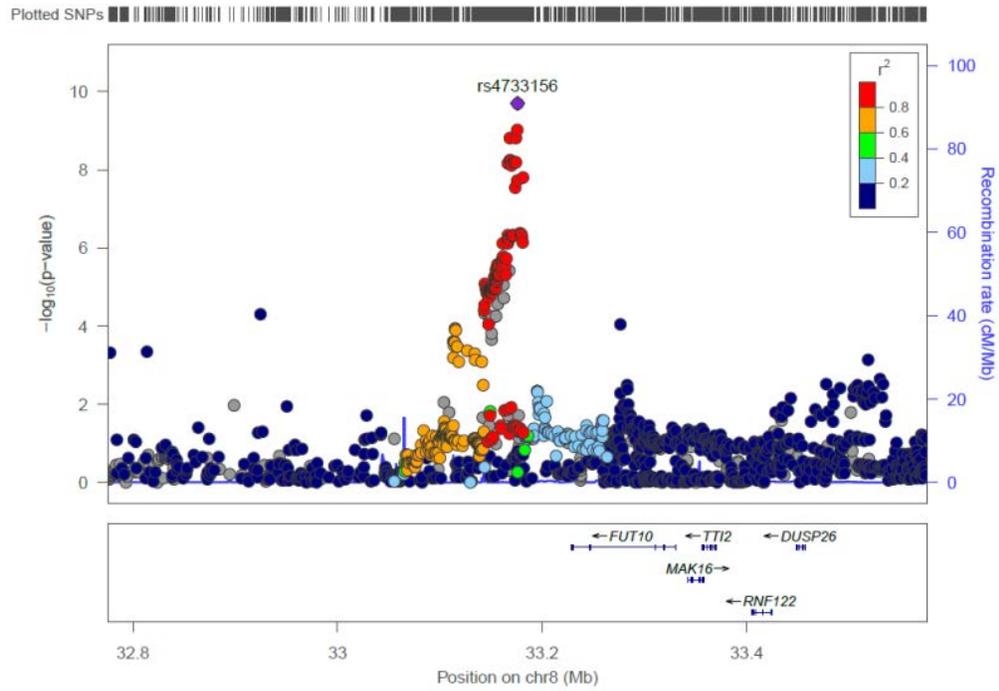
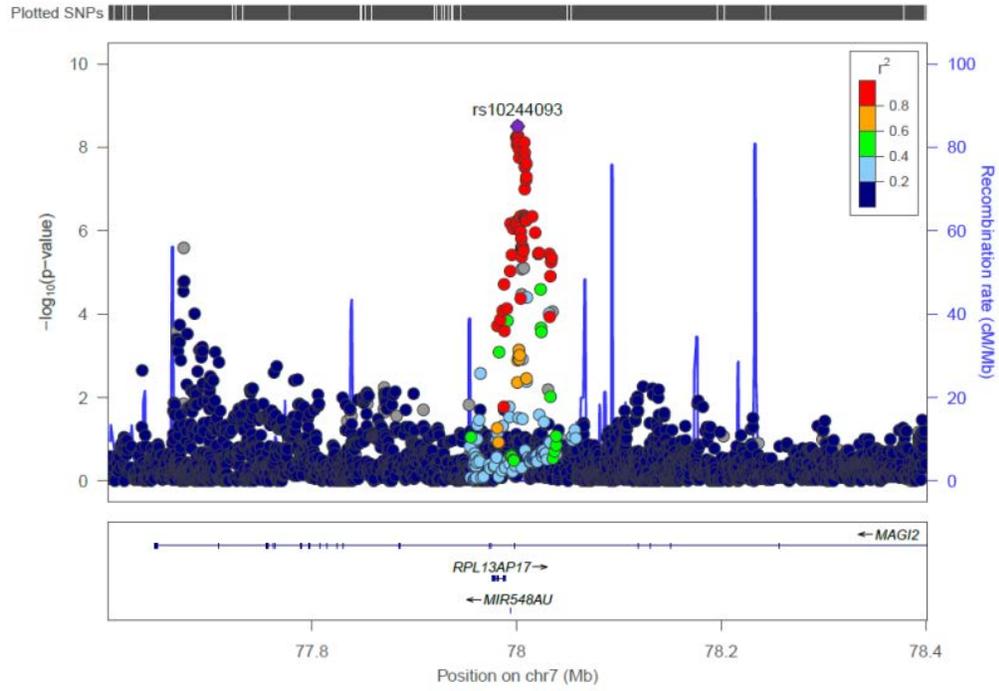
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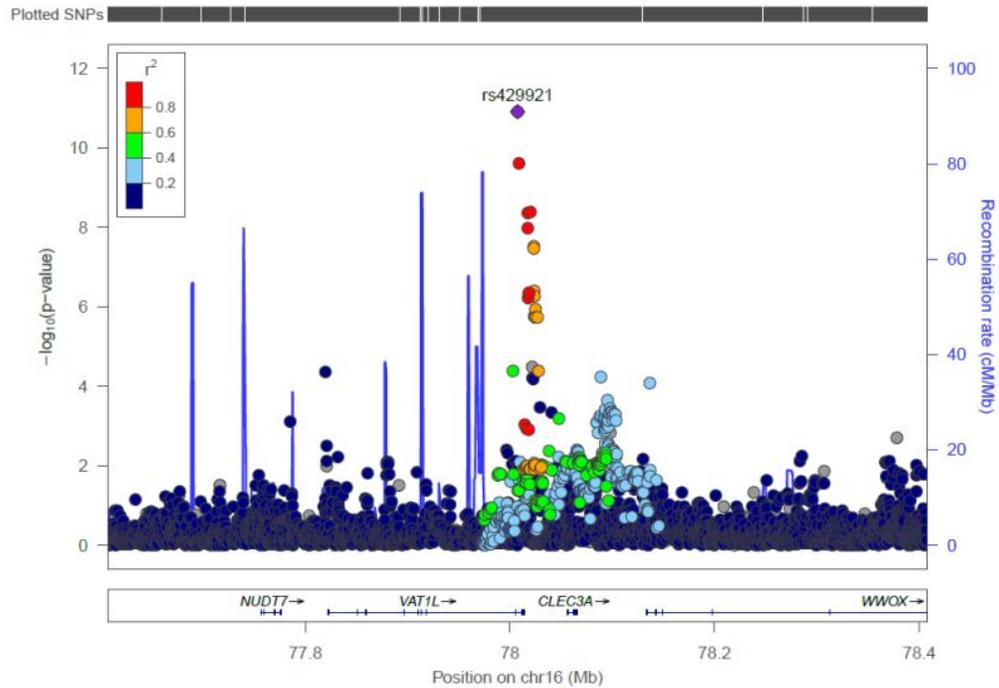
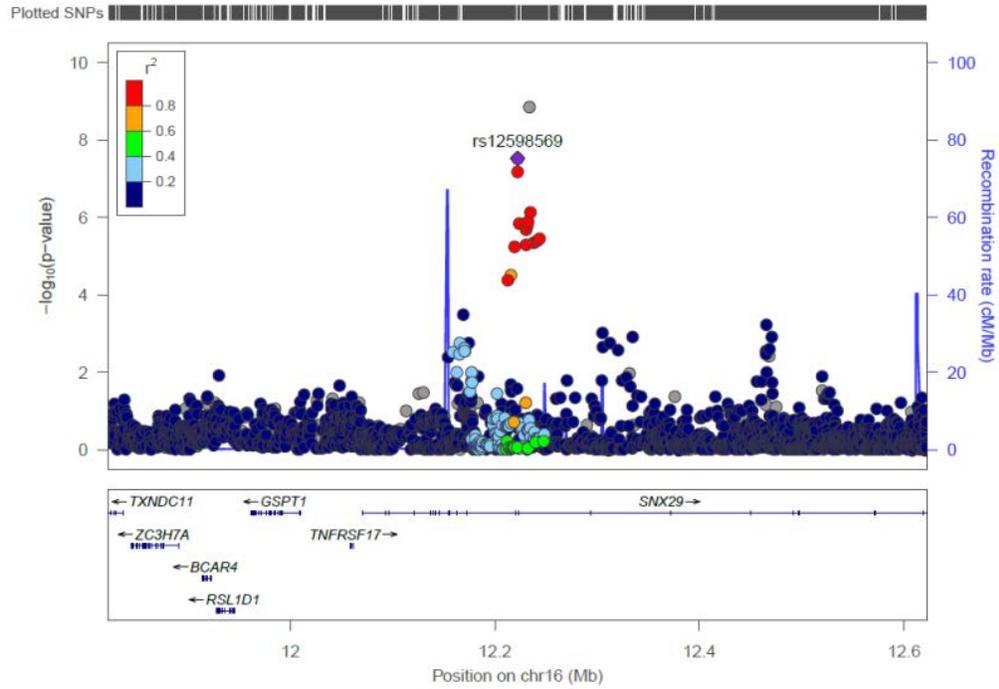


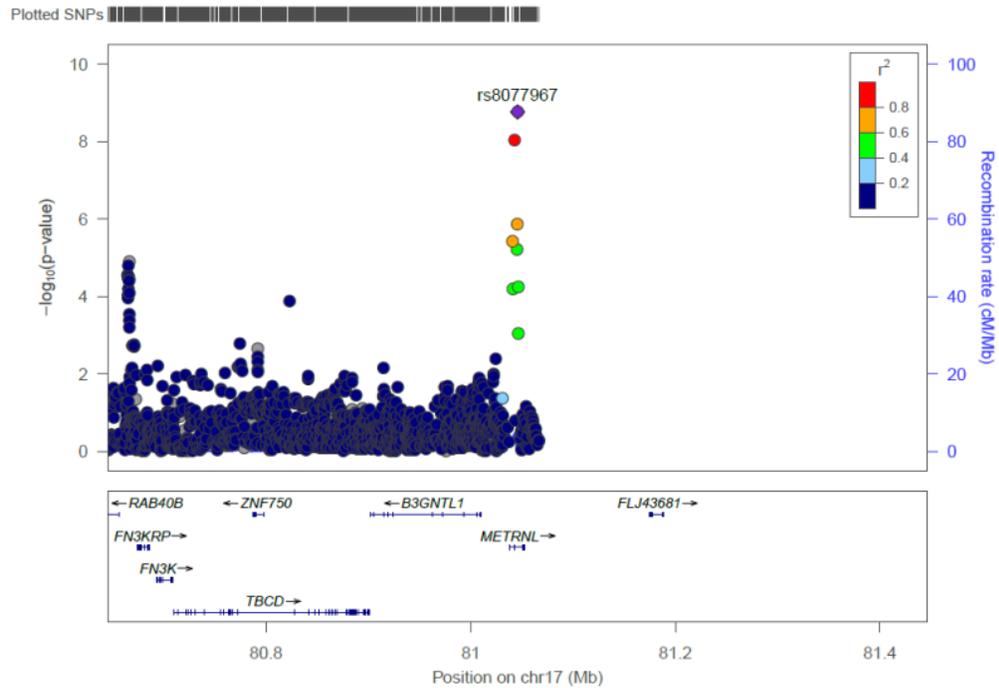
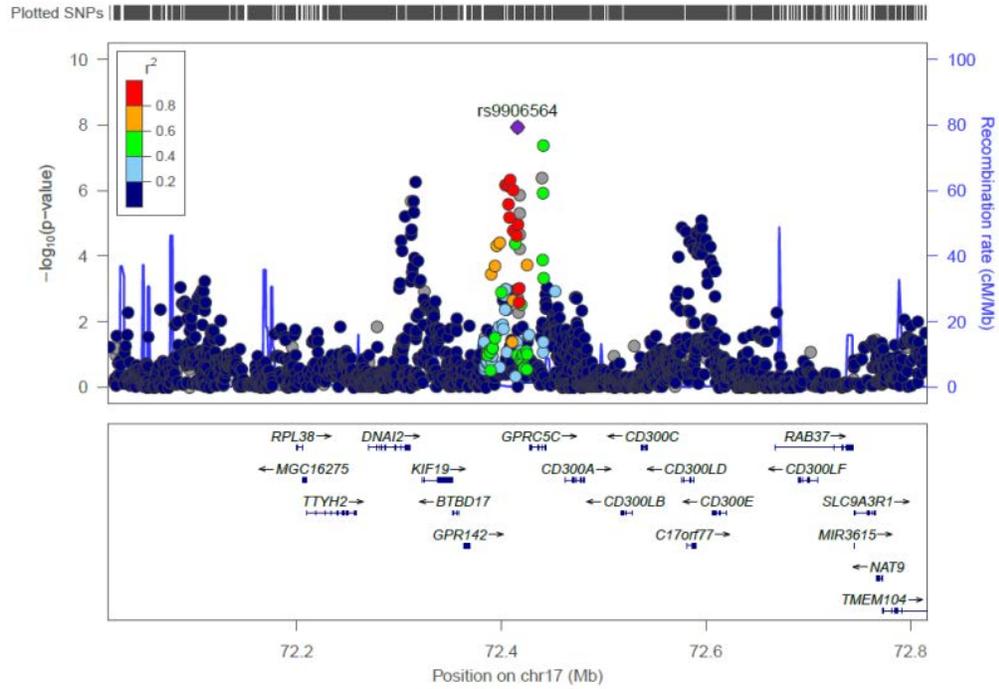


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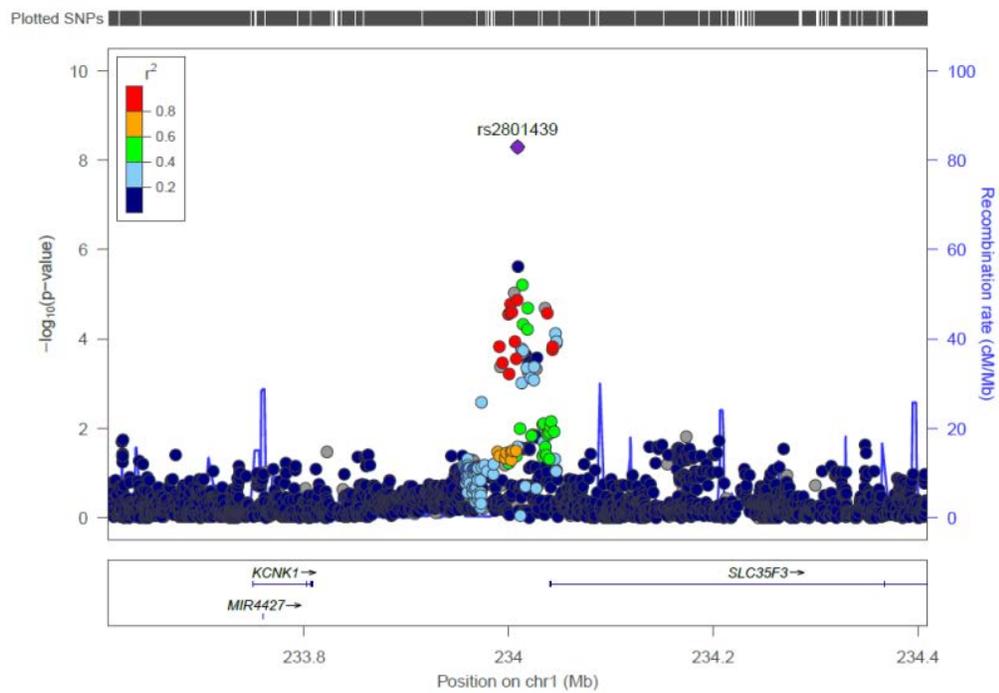
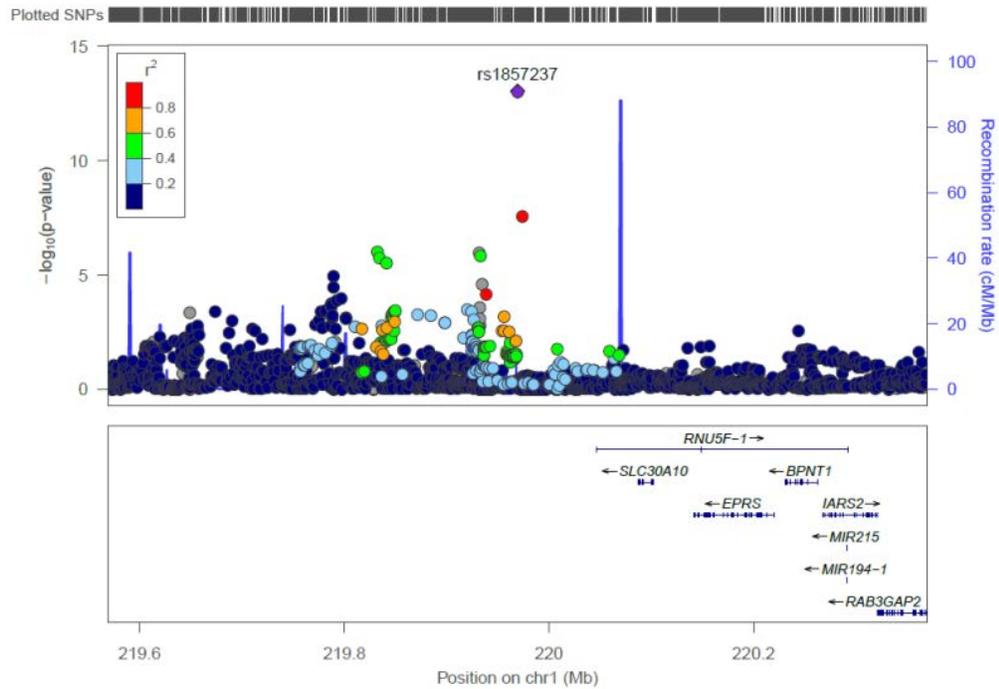


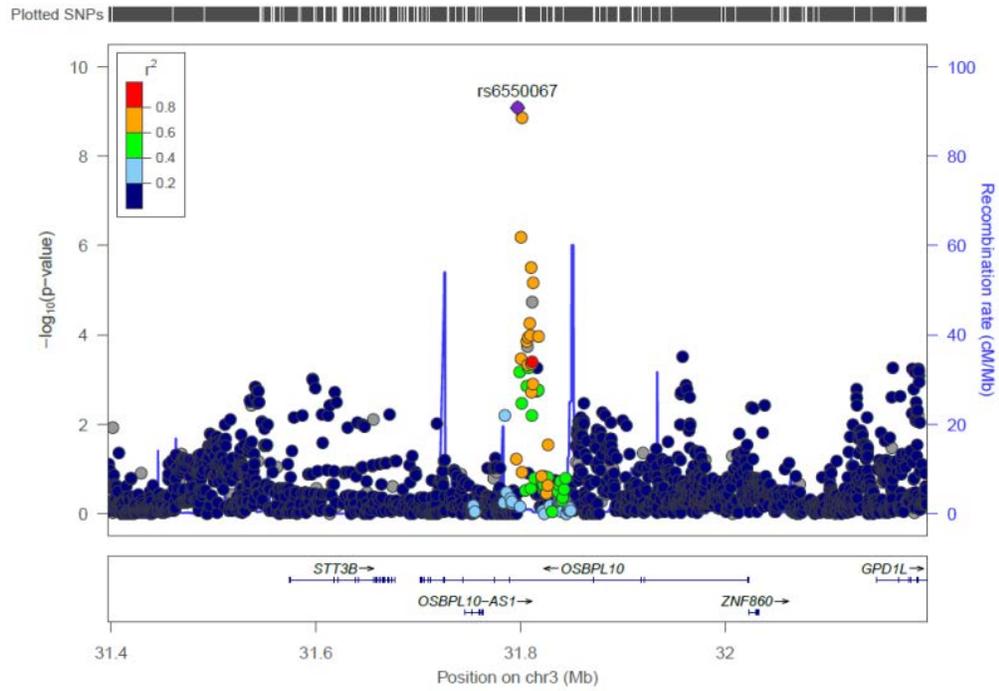
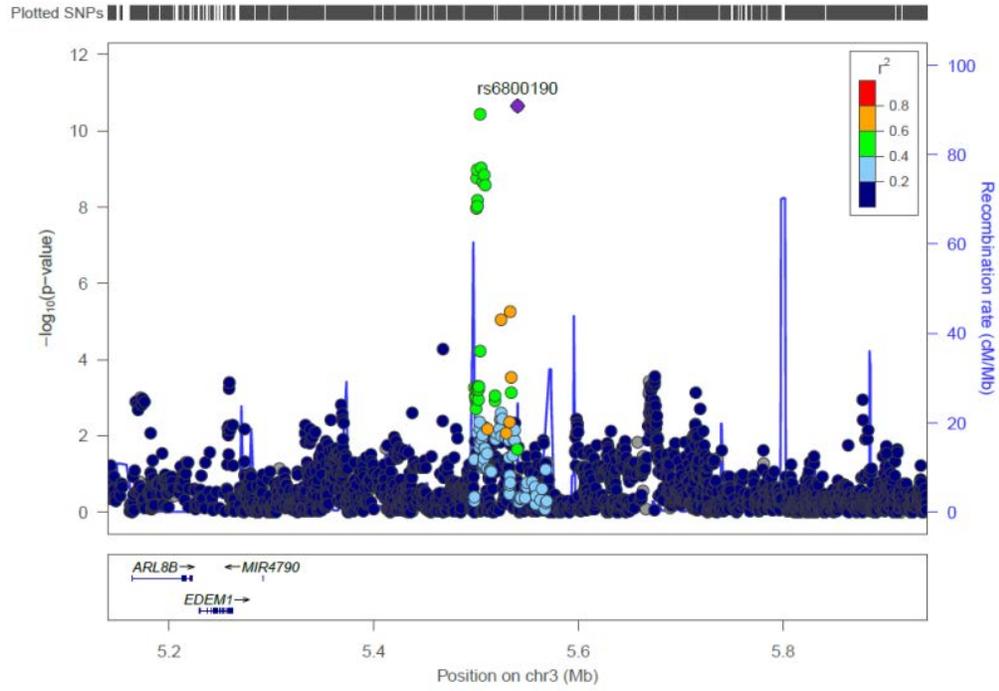


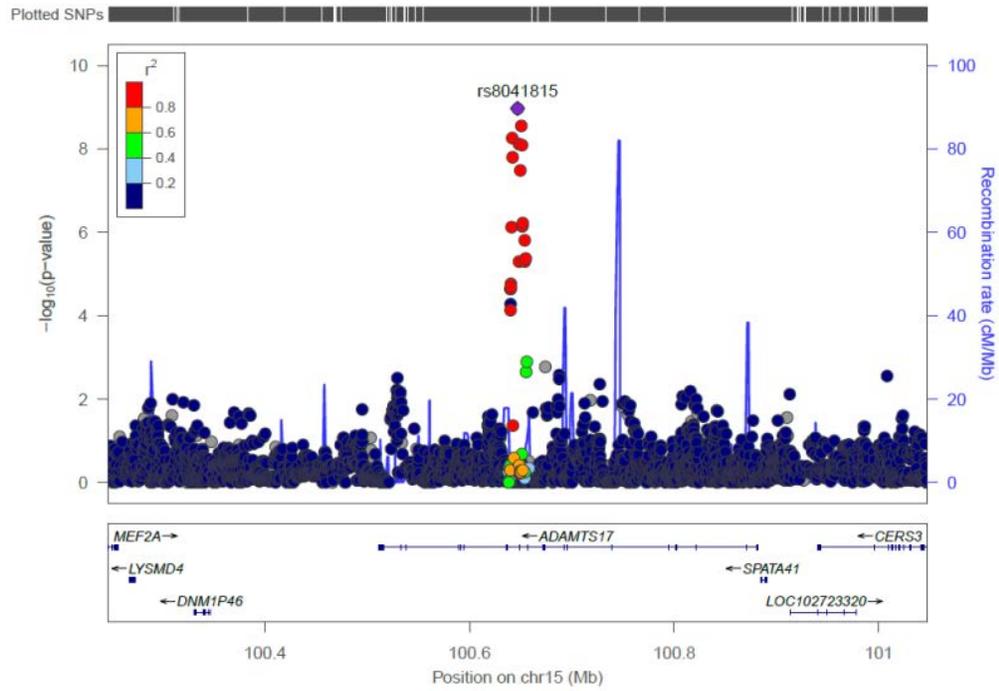
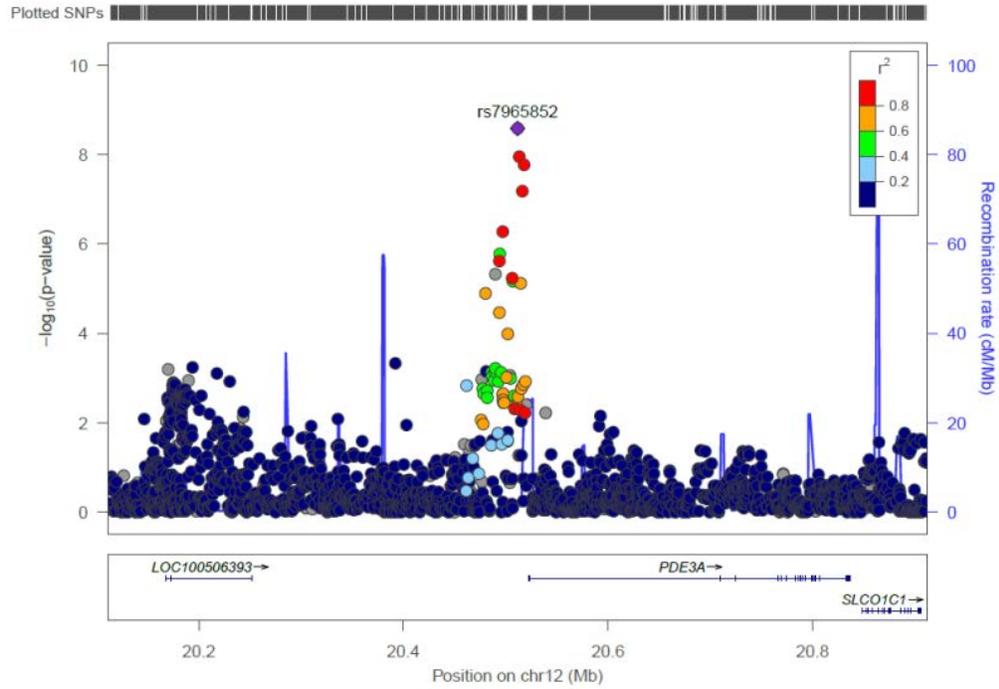


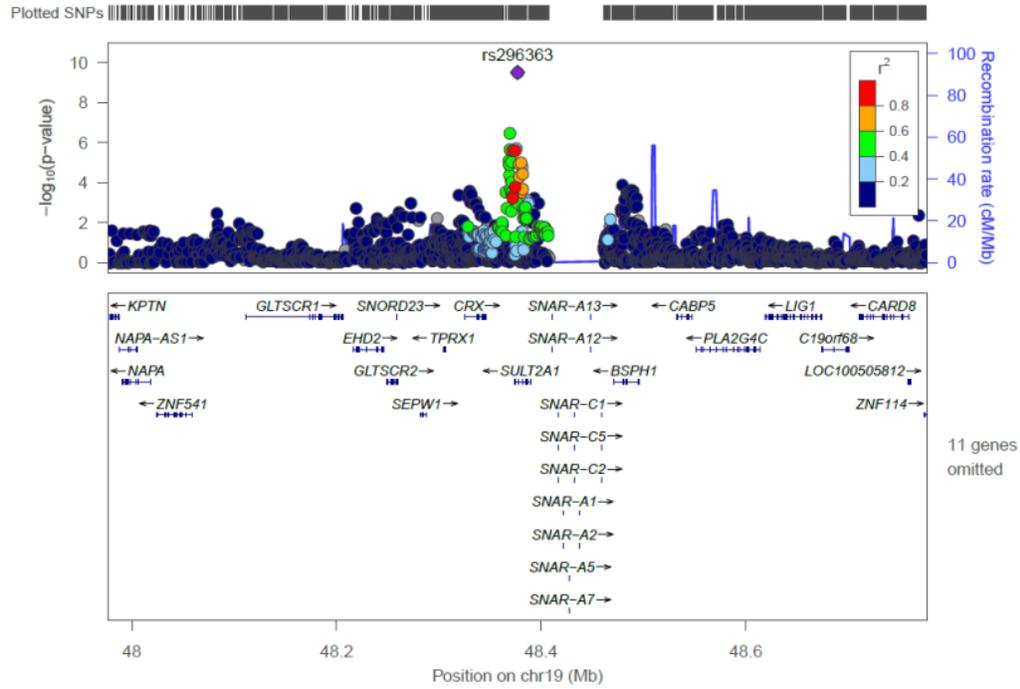


**Supplementary Figure 7:** Regional plots of the replicated novel hits of the joint effect of long total sleep time on Triglycerides in the multi-ancestry meta-analyses

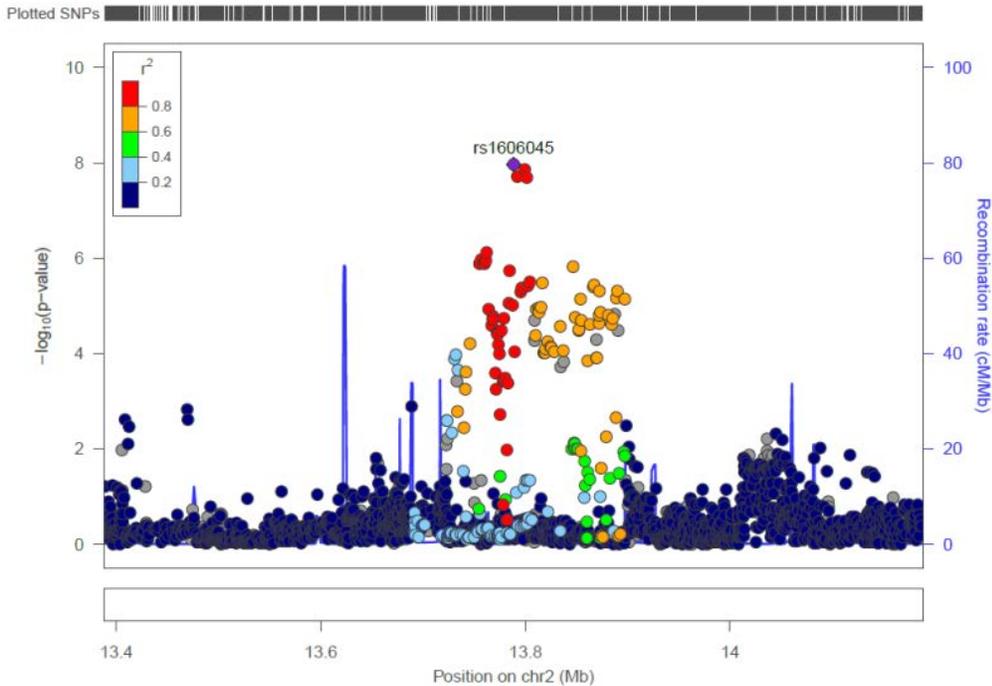
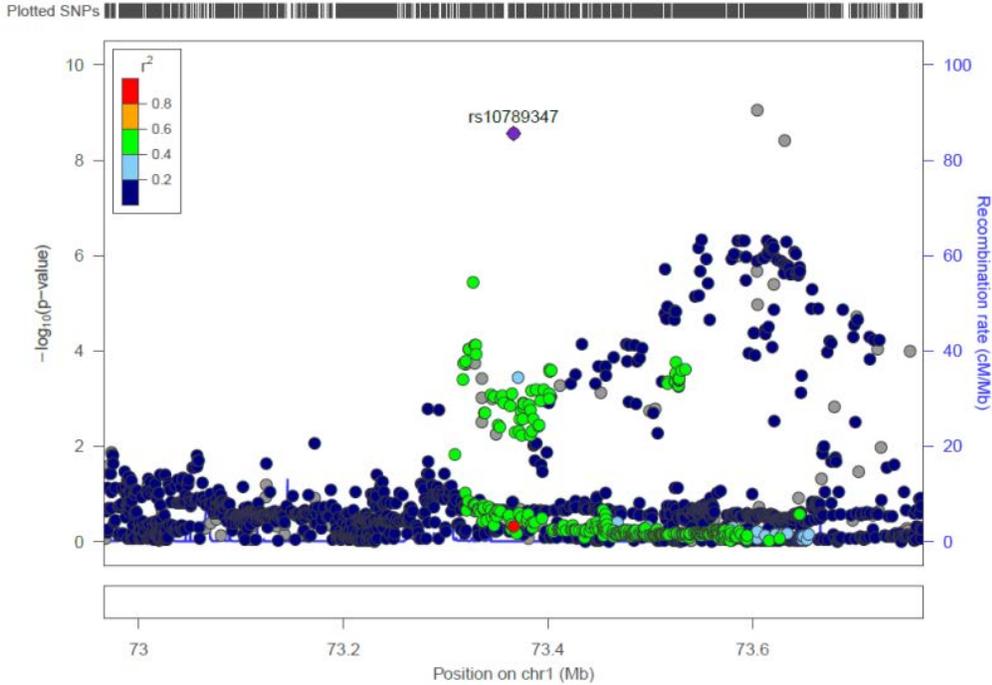


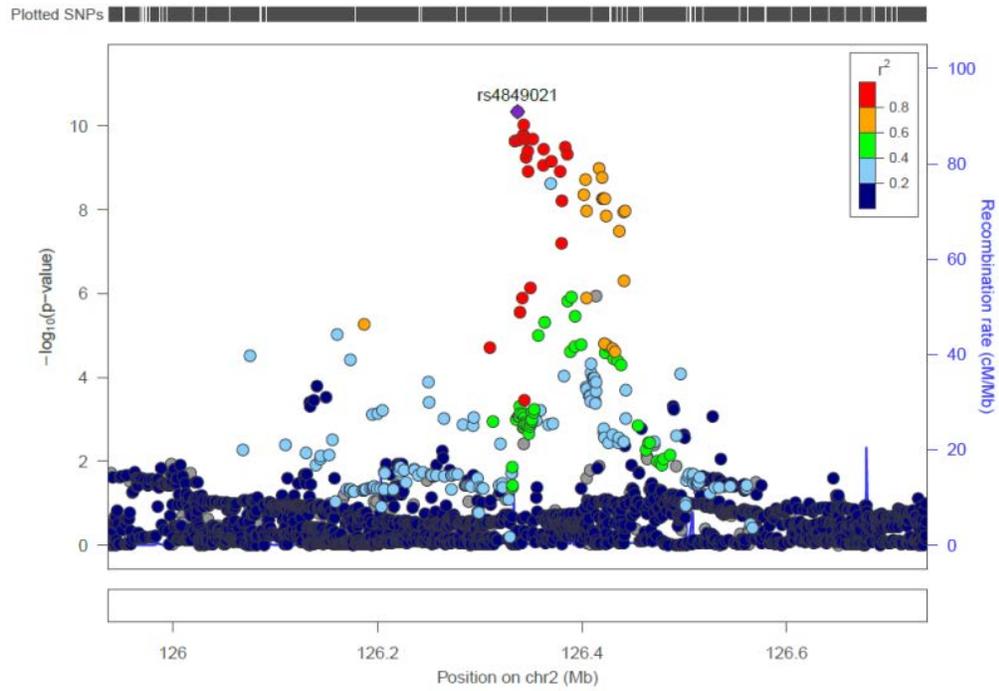
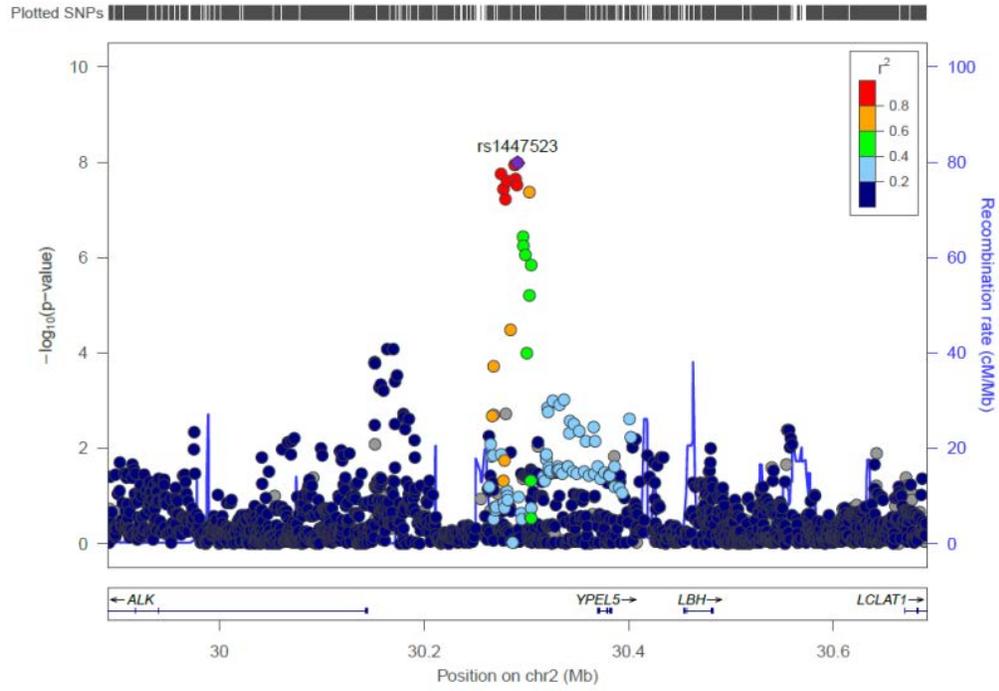


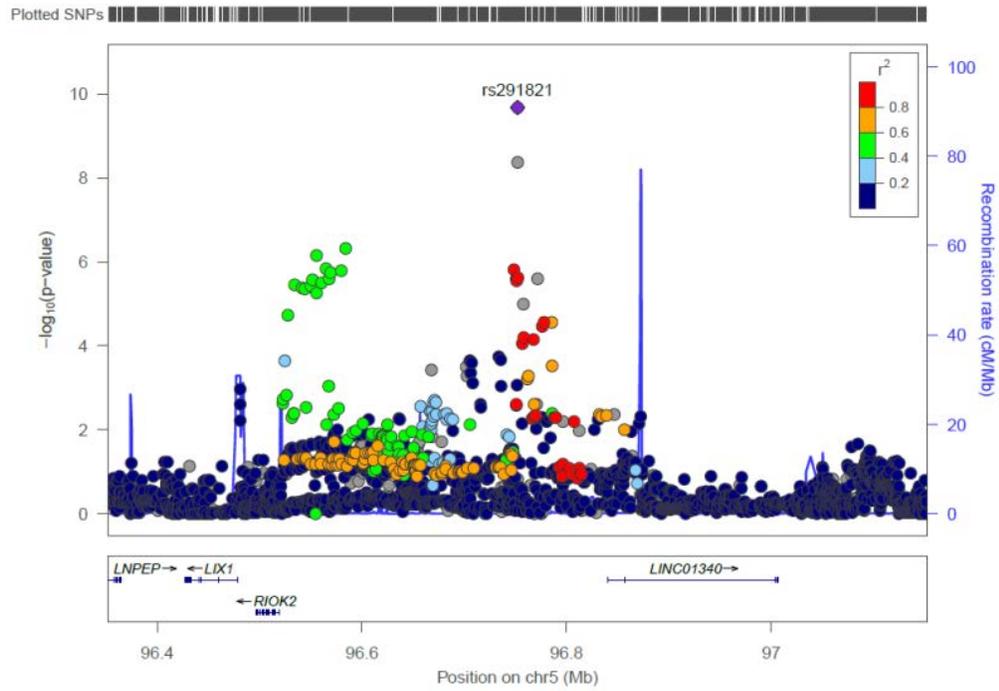
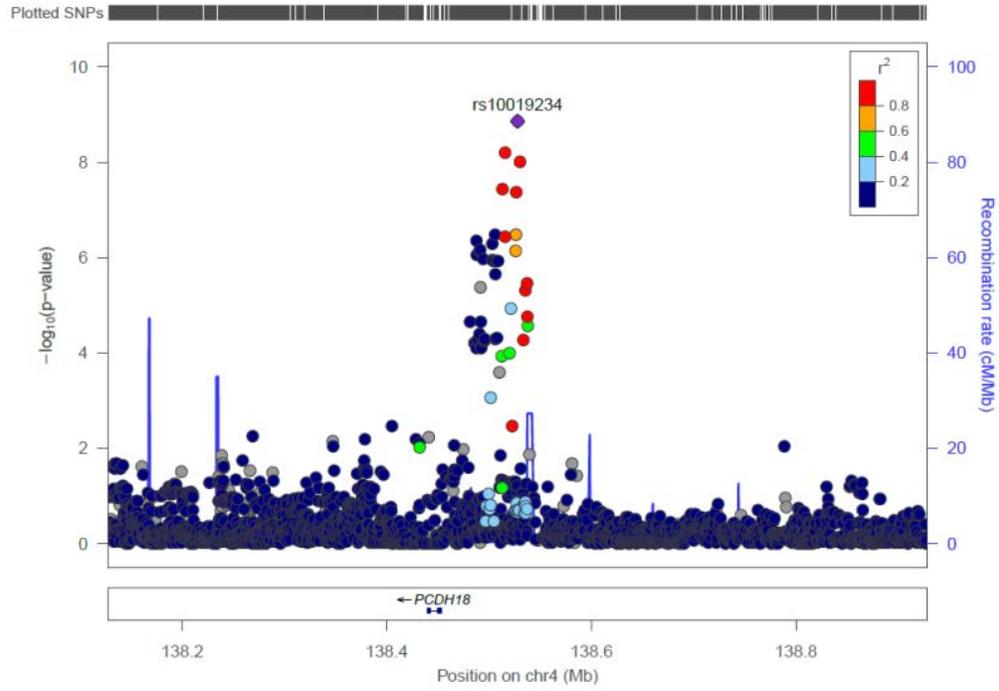


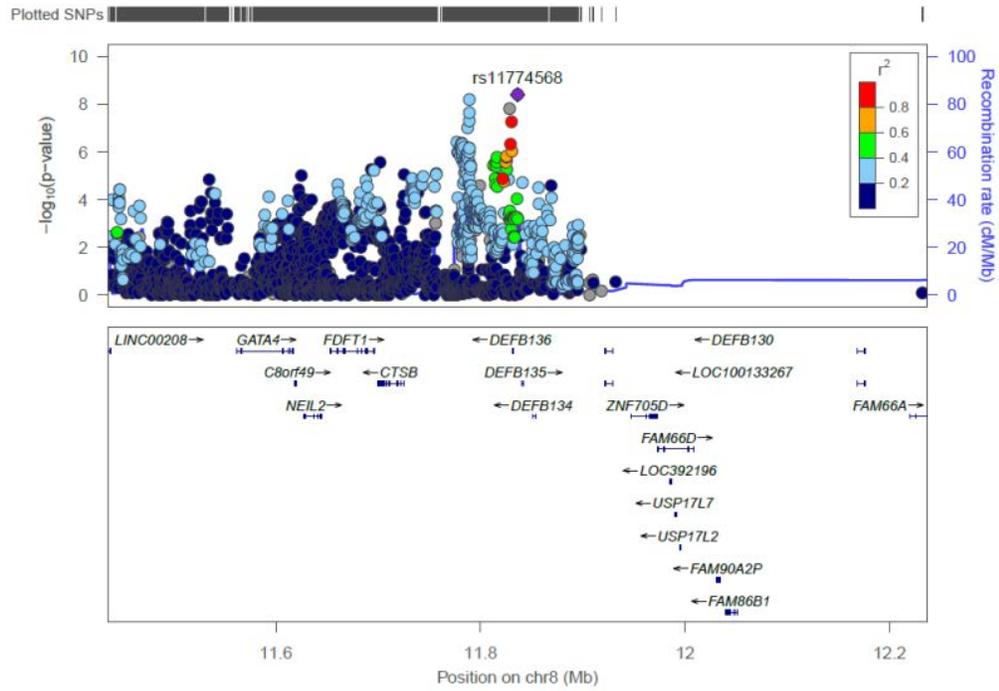
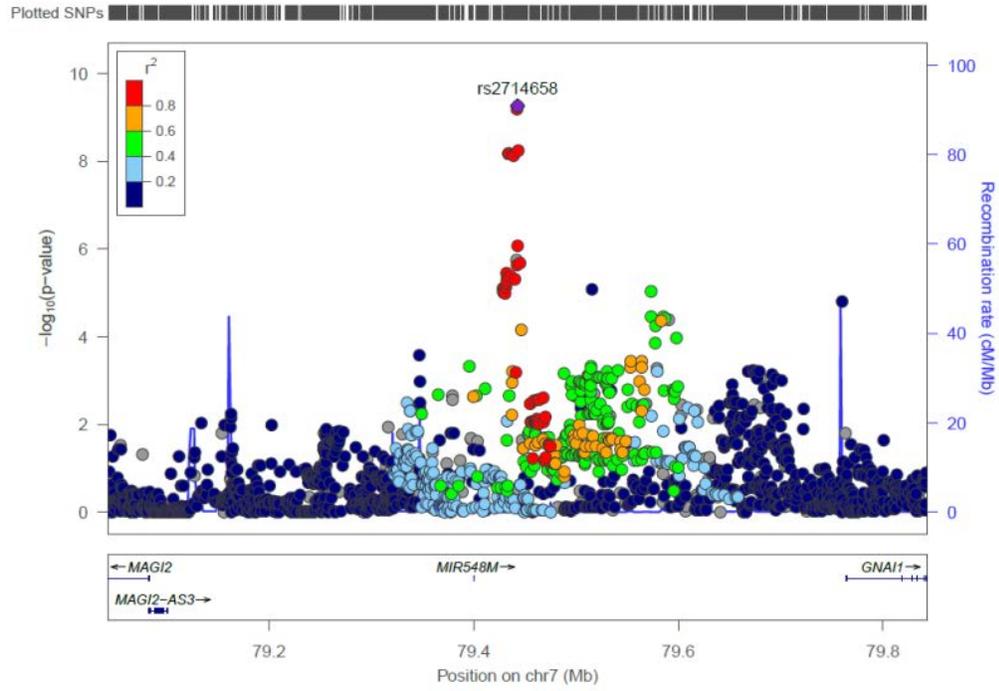


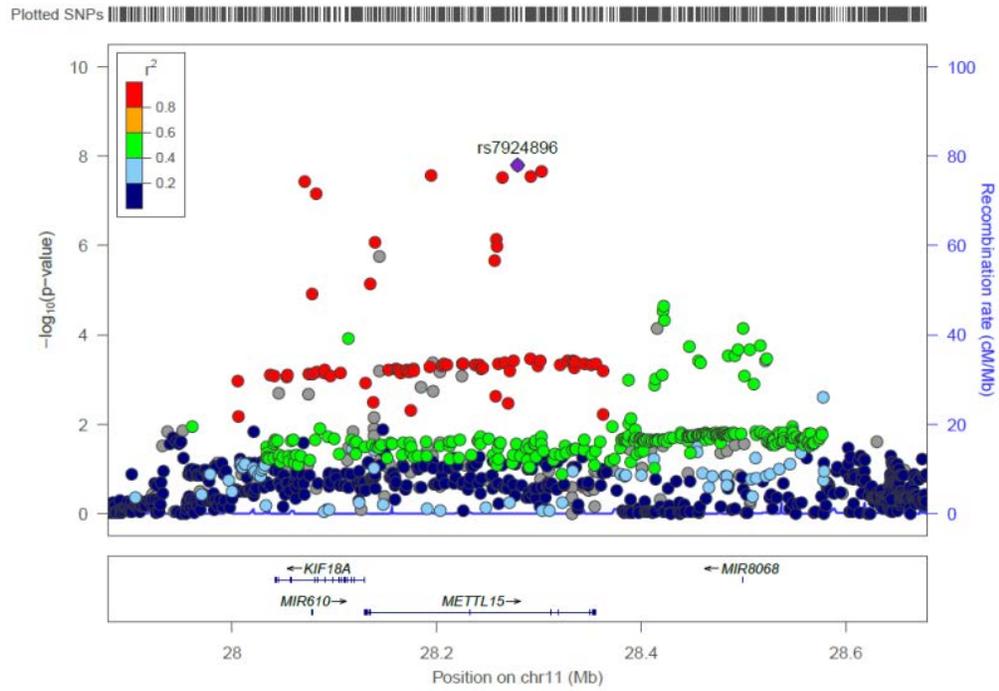
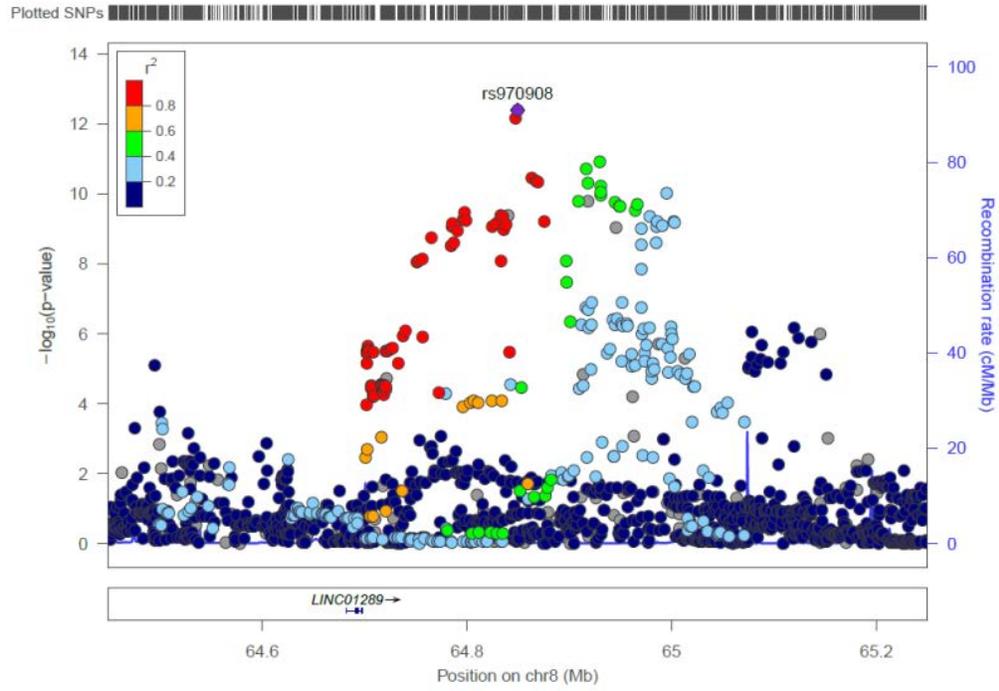
**Supplementary Figure 8:** Regional plots of the replicated novel hits of the joint effect of short total sleep time on Triglycerides in the multi-ancestry meta-analyses

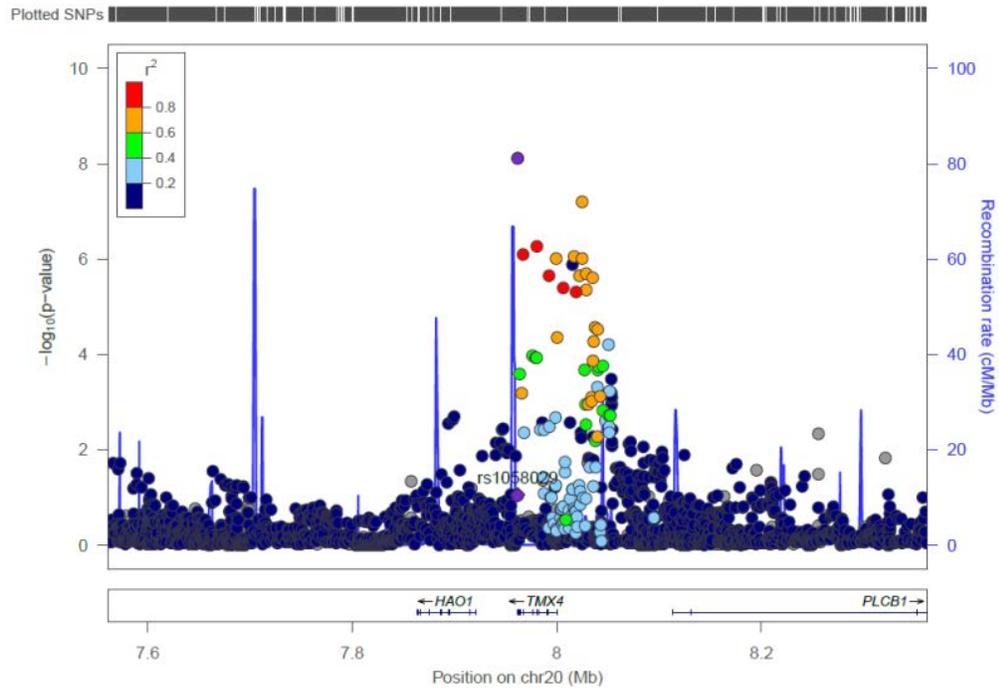
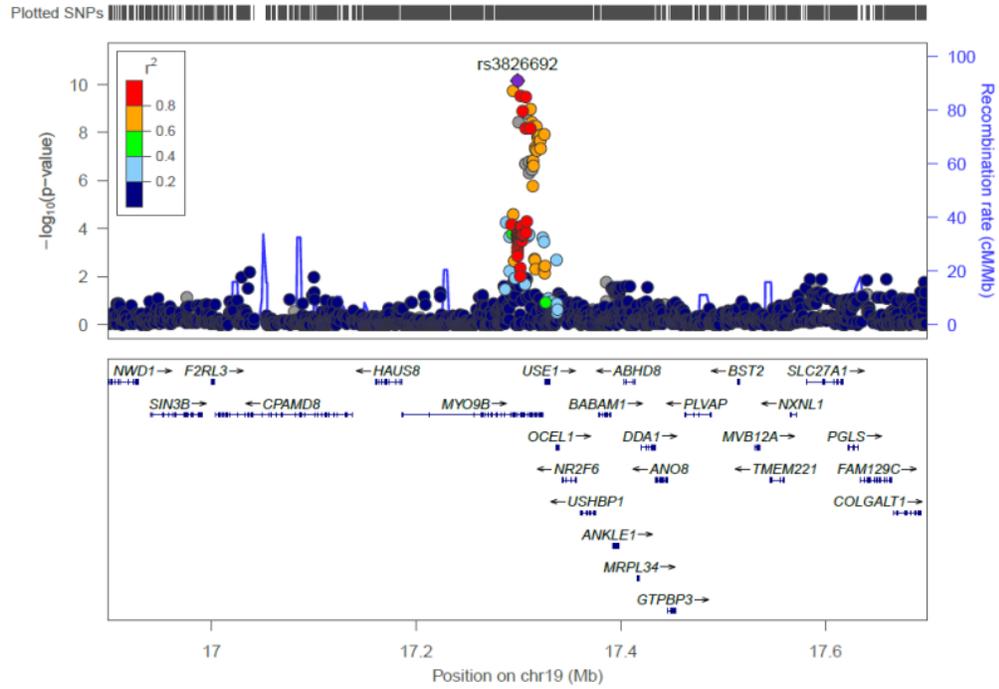


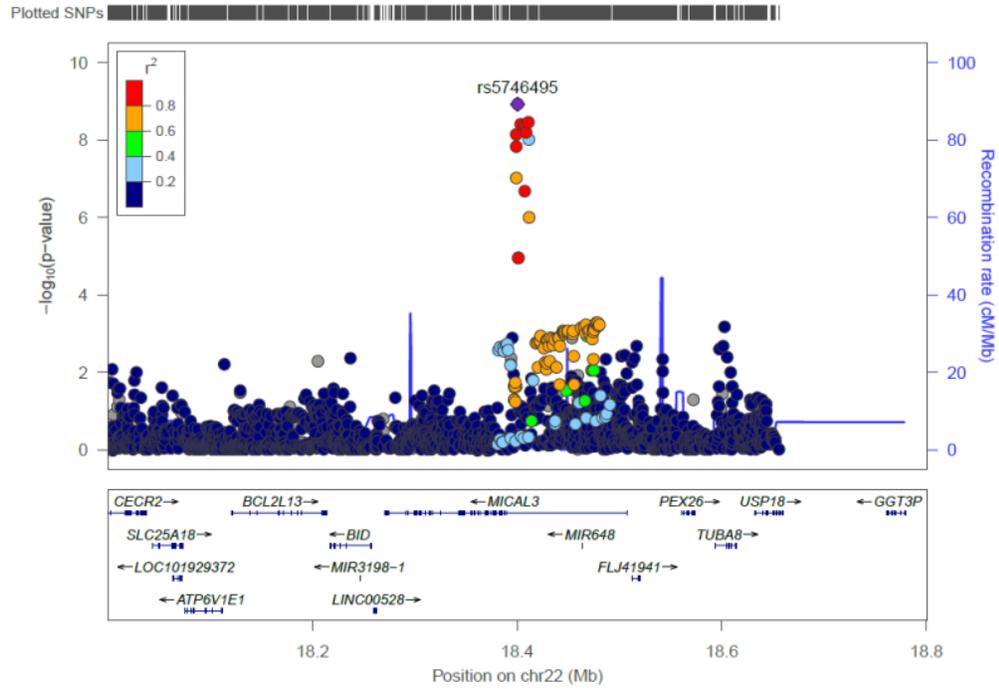




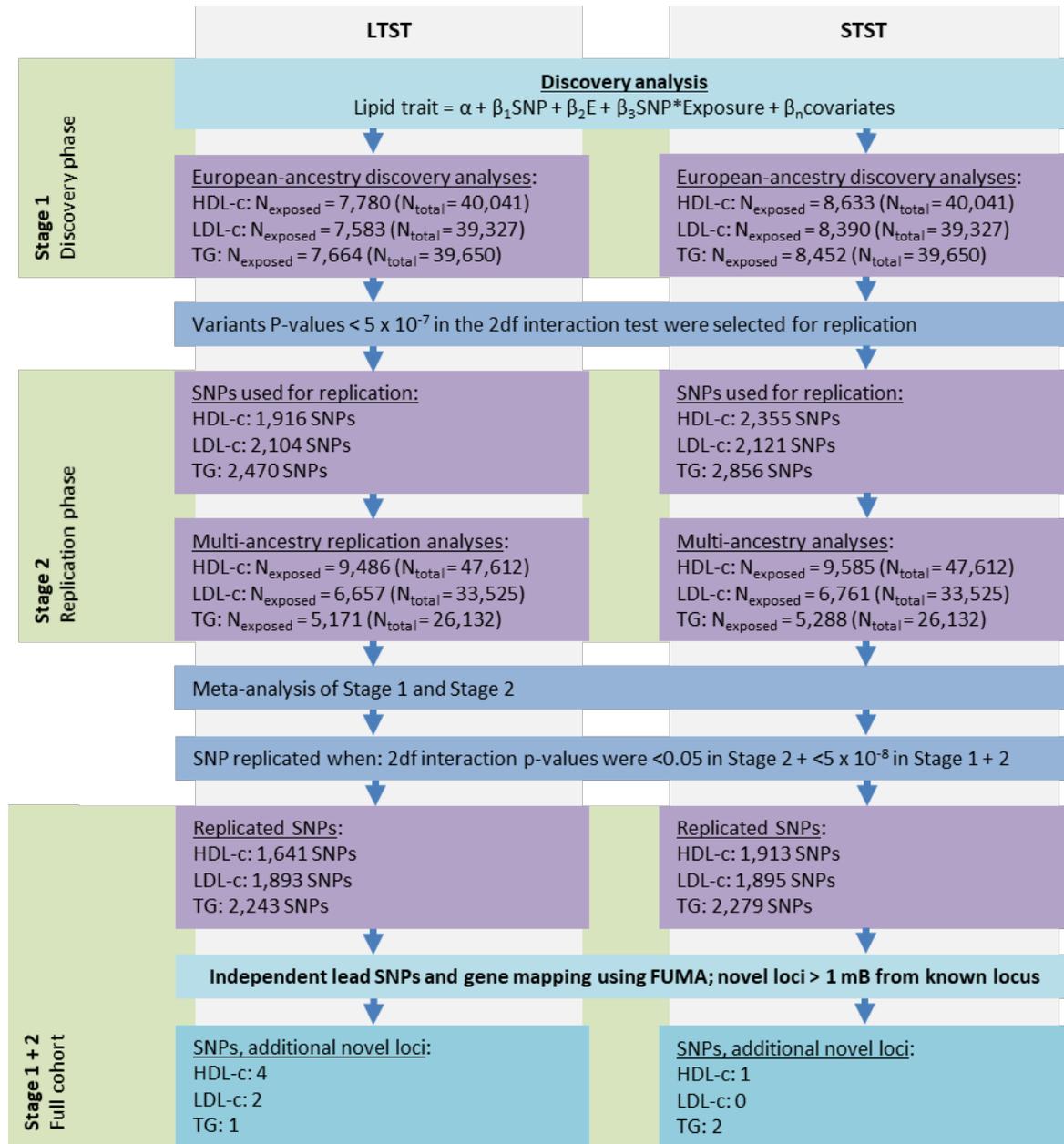








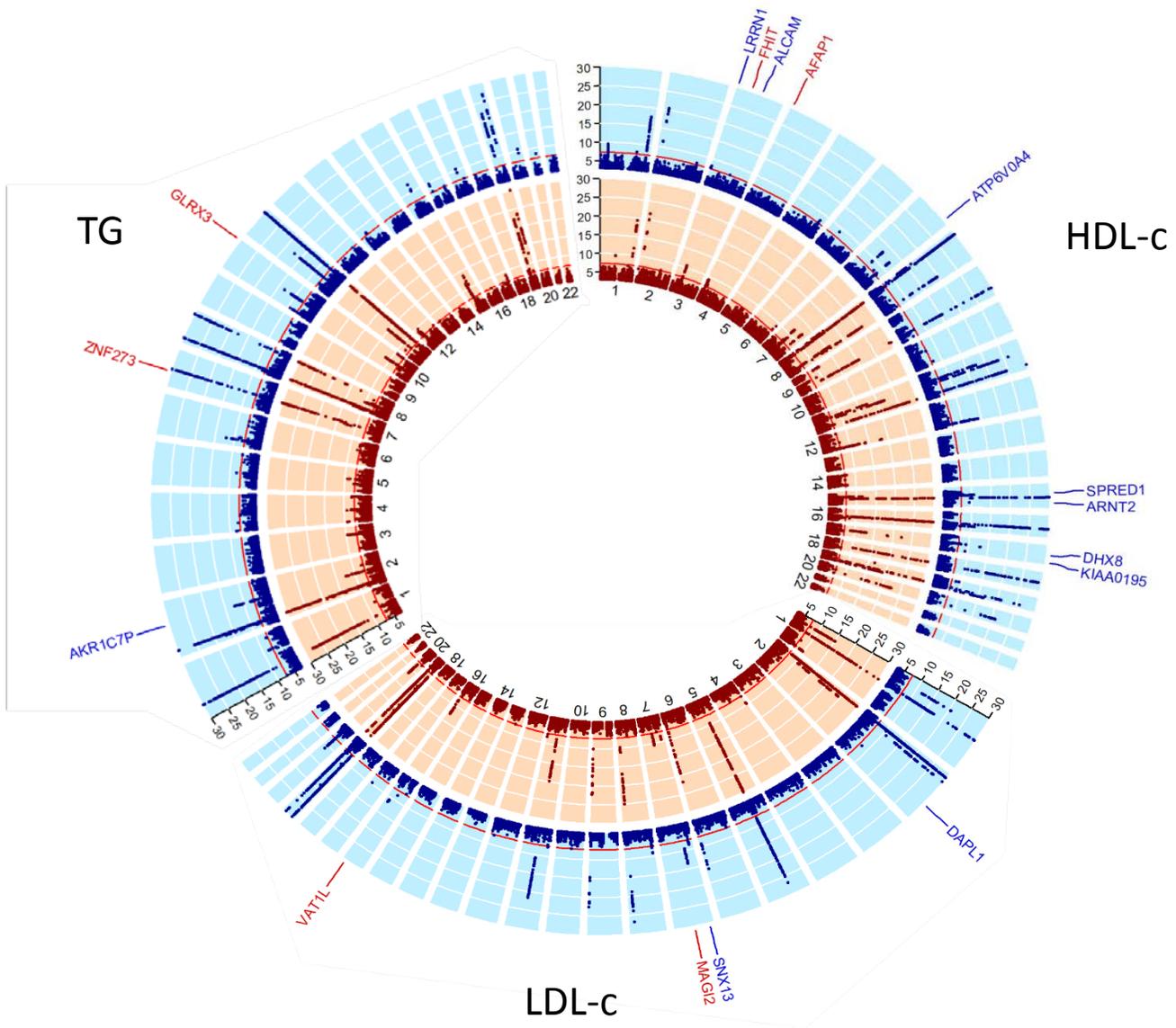
**Supplementary Figure 9:** Project overview and SNP selection in the European-ancestry analyses



Project overview of the multi-ancestry analyses of how the new lipid loci were identified in the present project. Replicated variants had to have 2df interaction test p-values of Stage 1  $< 5 \times 10^{-7}$ ,

Stage 2  $<0.05$  with a similar direction of effect as in the discovery meta-analysis, and Stage 1+2  $<5 \times 10^{-8}$ .

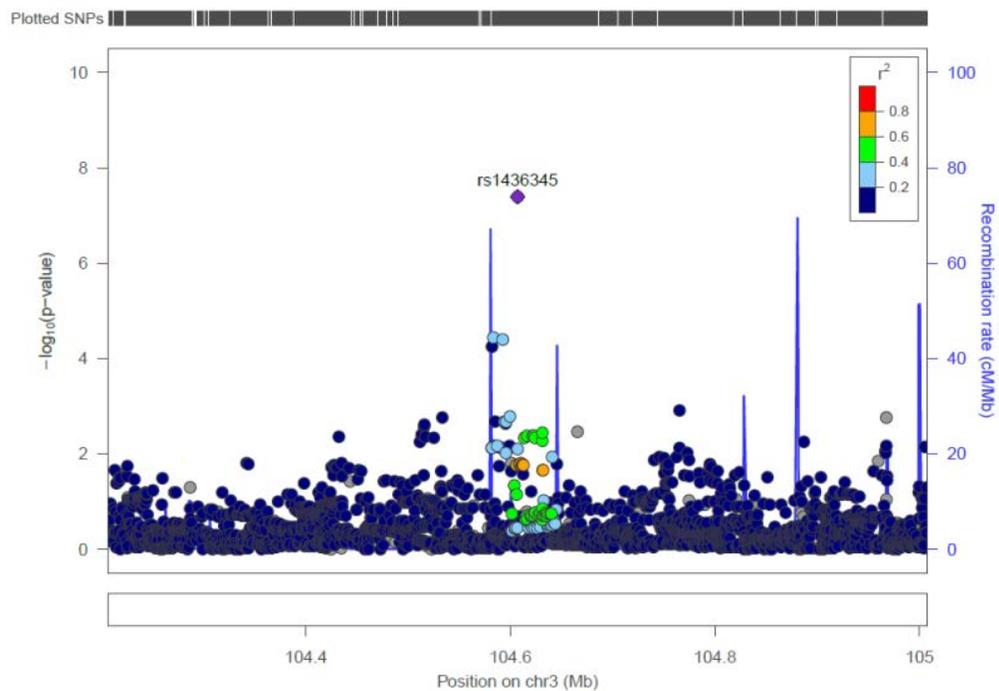
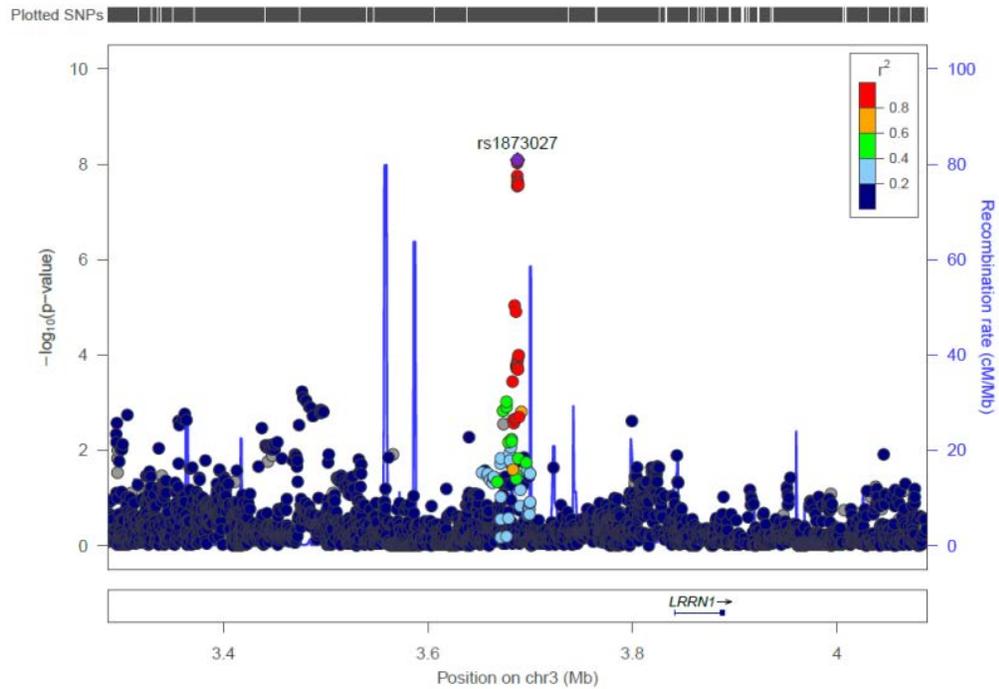
**Supplementary Figure 10:** Circular  $-\log(p\text{-value})$  plots of the European-ancestry sleep-SNP interactions analyses for the three lipid traits

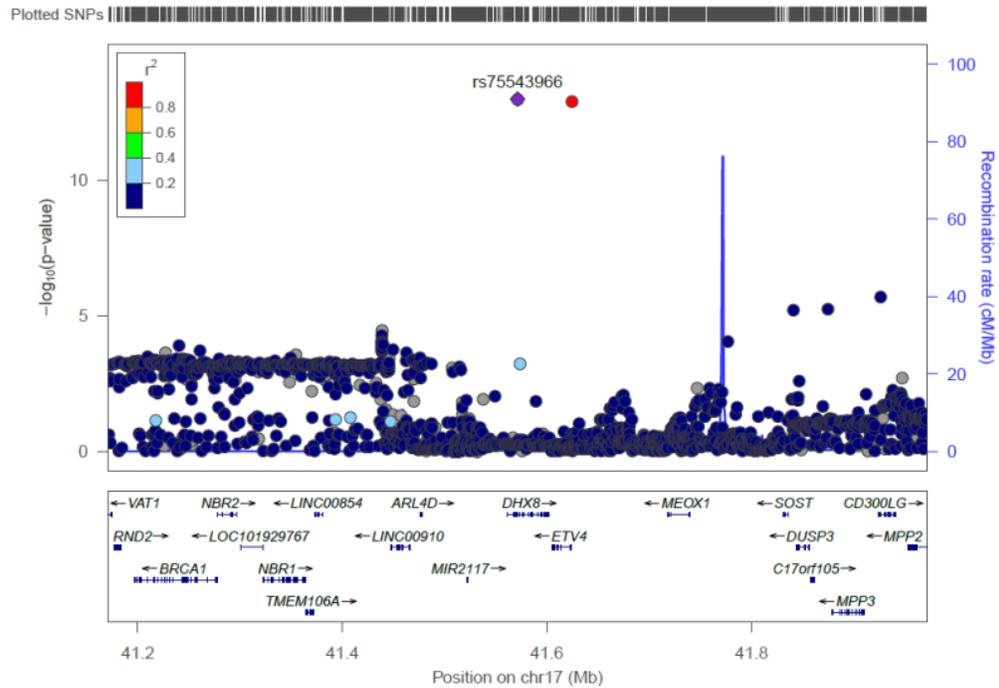
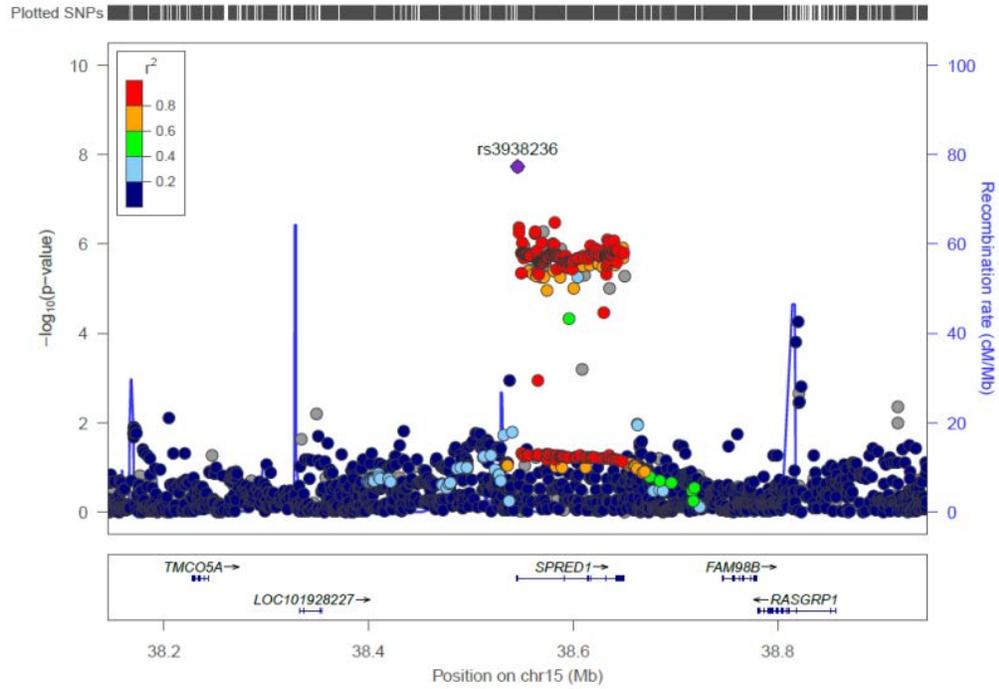


Plot visualizes the  $-\log(P\text{-values in the 2df interaction test})$  for HDL-c, LDL-c and TG per chromosome. In red (inner circle) are the  $-\log(p\text{-value})$  plots for the analyses taking into account potential interaction with short total sleep time. In blue (outer circle) are the  $-\log(p\text{-value})$  plots for the analyses taking into account potential interaction with long total sleep time. Loci defined as novel and being replicated are labeled. Replicated variants had to have 2df interaction test p-

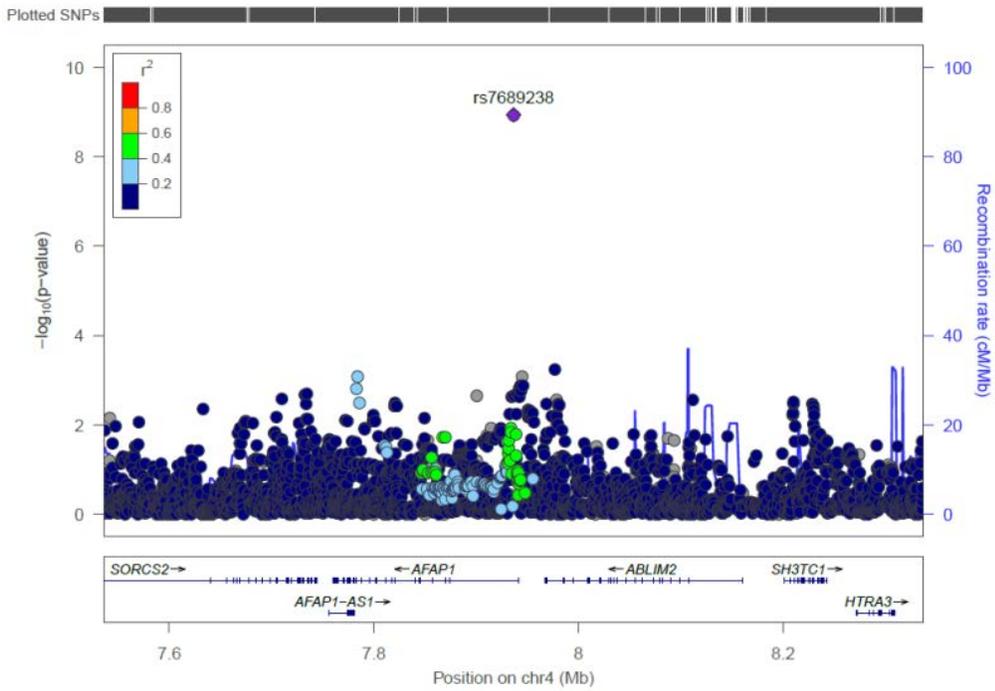
values of Stage 1  $<5 \times 10^{-7}$ , Stage 2  $<0.05$  with a similar direction of effect as in the discovery meta-analysis, and Stage 1+2  $<5 \times 10^{-8}$ . Labeled gene names in red were identified in the STST analysis; Labeled gene names in blue were identified in the LTST analysis.  $-\log(\text{p-values}) > 30$  were truncated for presentation purposes only. All  $-\log(\text{p}_{\text{joints}}) > 30$  were truncated to 30 for visualization purposes only. Figure prepared using the R package *circlize*<sup>38</sup>.

**Supplementary Figure 11:** Regional plots of the replicated additional novel hits of the joint effect of long total sleep time on HDL cholesterol in the European meta-analyses

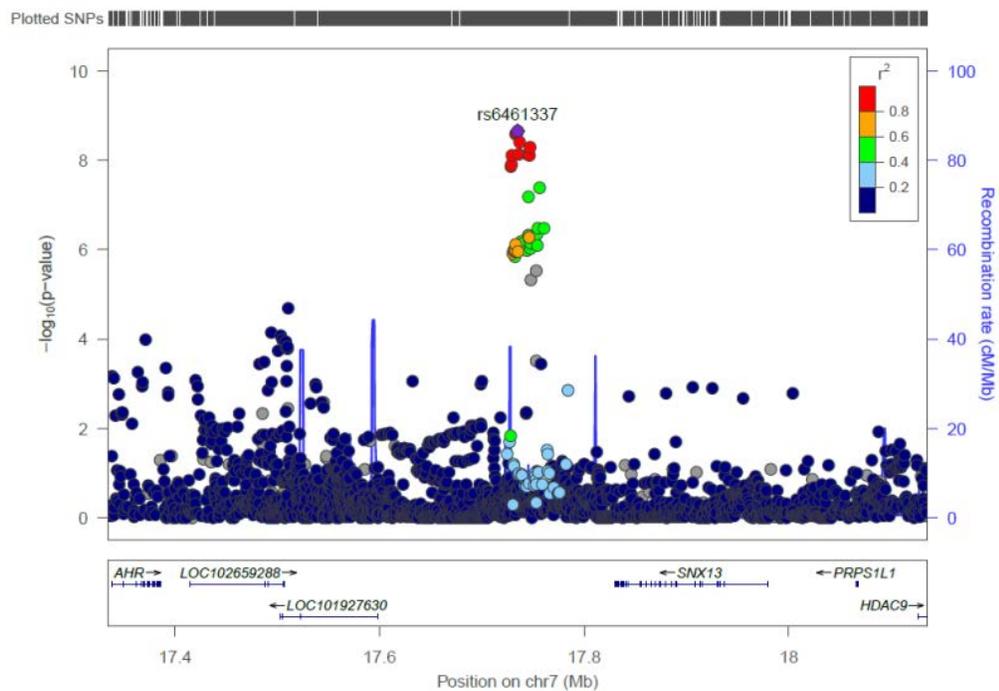
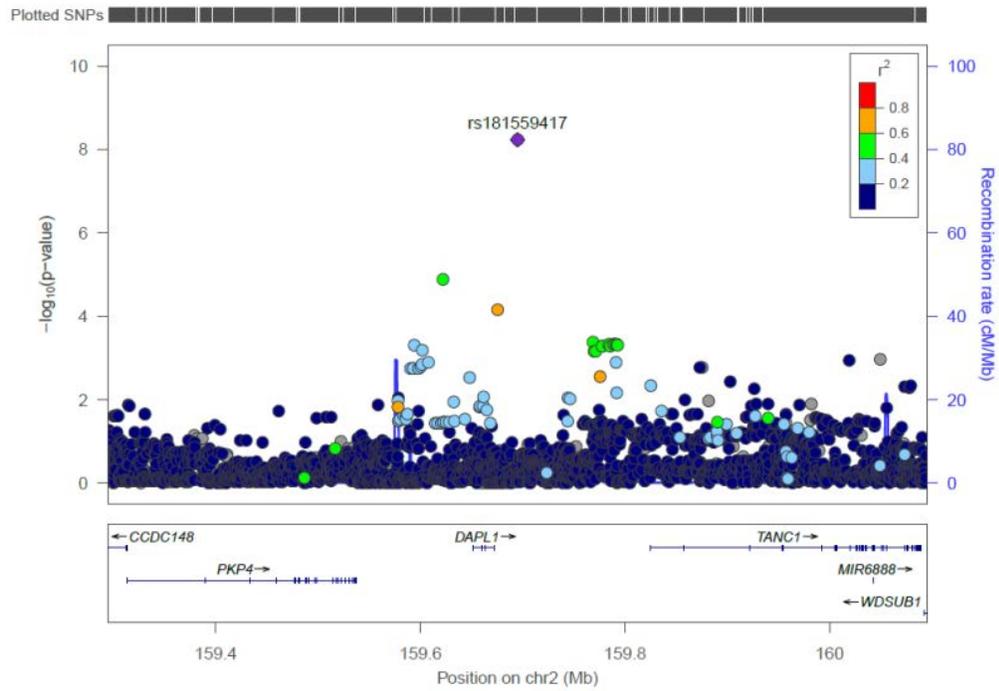




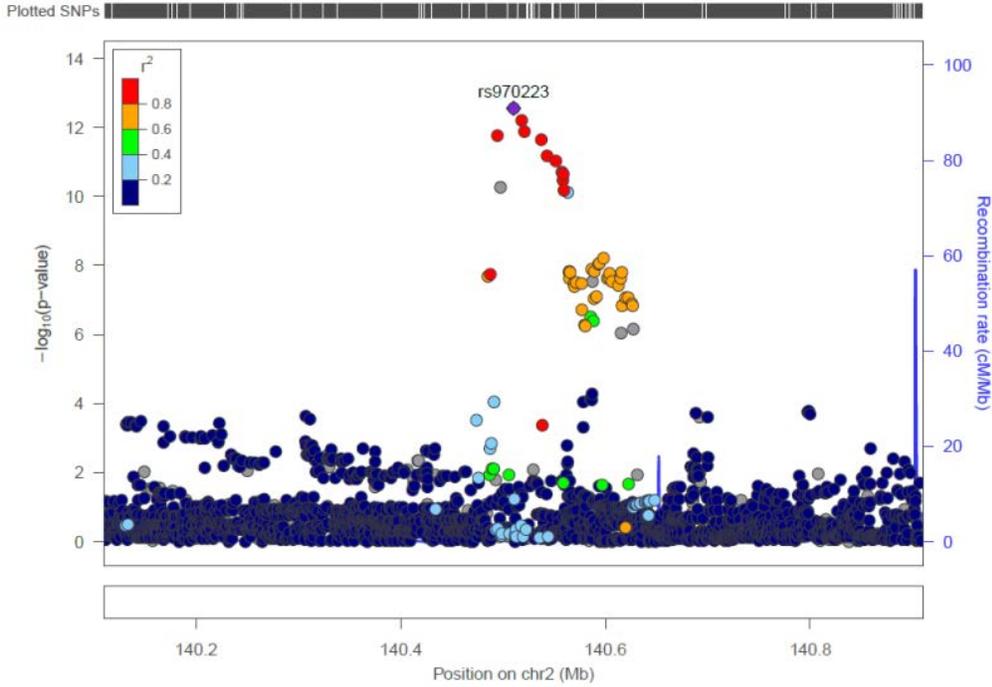
**Supplementary Figure 12:** Regional plots of the replicated additional novel hits of the joint effect of short total sleep time on HDL cholesterol in the European meta-analyses



**Supplementary Figure 13:** Regional plots of the replicated additional novel hits of the joint effect of long total sleep time on LDL cholesterol in the European meta-analyses



**Supplementary Figure 14:** Regional plots of the replicated additional novel hits of the joint effect of long total sleep time on Triglycerides in the European meta-analyses



**Supplementary Figure 15:** Regional plots of the replicated additional novel hits of the joint effect of short total sleep time on Triglycerides in the European meta-analyses

