

Genetic study in asthma

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- Genetic study in general
- Genome-wide association studies in asthma

Genetic study

- Genetic vs. Genomic study
- Genetic epidemiology
 - Genetic association (genetic variation)
- Gene expression in various cells
 - Protein -> Metabolism

Genome

Epigenome

Transcriptome

Proteome

Metabolome

Systems
biology

Genetic variation (DNA)

- Somatic mutation
 - Cancer tissue
- Germline mutation
 - Mendelian disorder
- Genetic variation
 - SNP, structural variation

Classes of human genetic variant

Single nucleotide variant

ATTGGCCTTAACC**C**CCGATTATCAGGAT
ATTGGCCTTAACC**T**CCGATTATCAGGAT

SNP

Insertion–deletion variant

ATTGGCCTTAACCC**GAT**CCGATTATCAGGAT
ATTGGCCTTAACCC**---**CCGATTATCAGGAT

Block substitution

ATTGGCCTTAAC**CCCC**GATTATCAGGAT
ATTGGCCTTAAC**AGTG**GATTATCAGGAT

Inversion variant

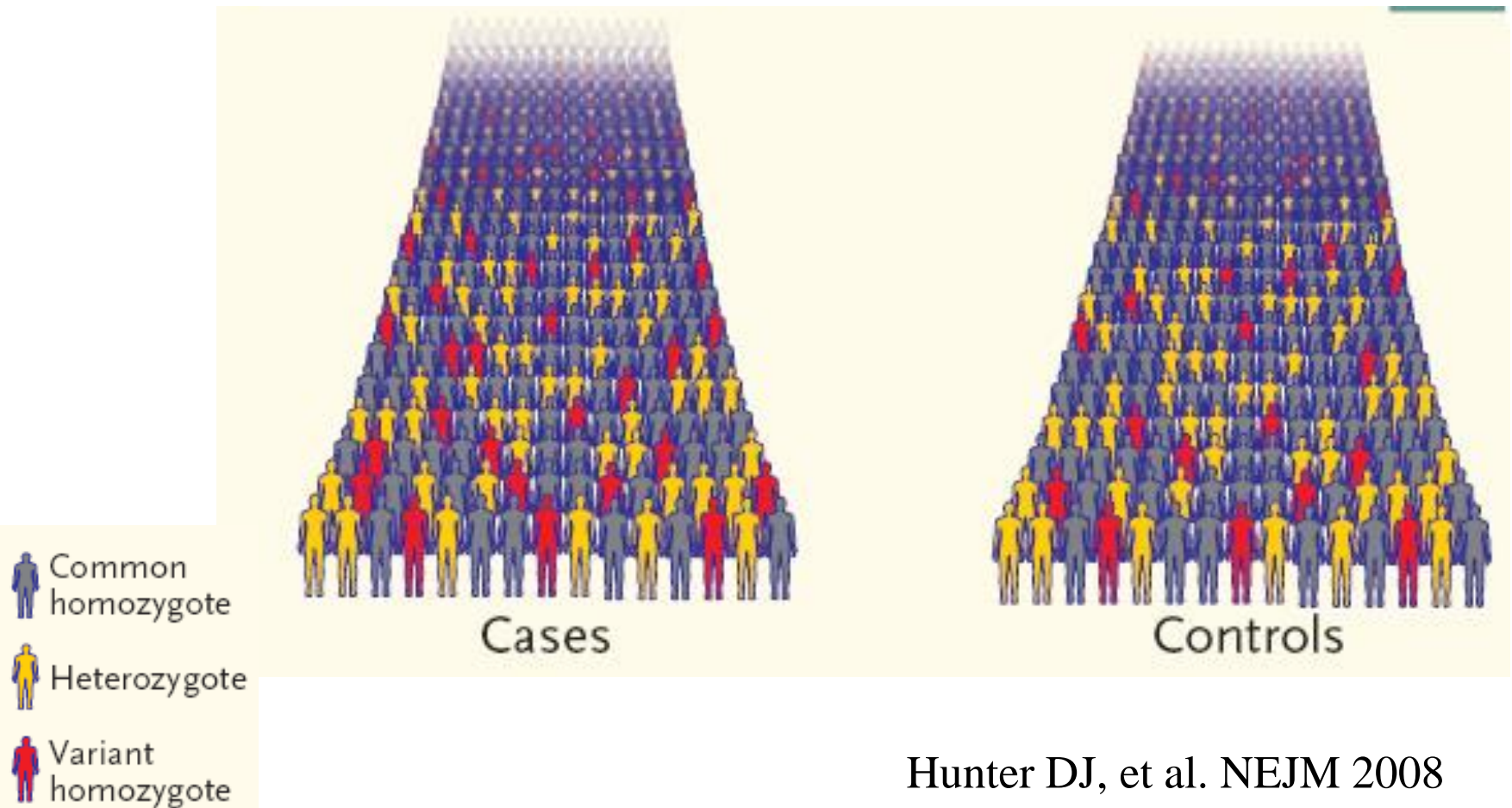
ATTGGCCTT**AACCCCG**ATTATCAGGAT
ATTGGCCTT**CGGGGTT**ATTATCAGGAT

Copy number variant

ATT**GGCCTTAGGCCTTA**ACCCCGATTATCAGGAT
ATT**GGCCTTA**-----ACCTCCGATTATCAGGAT

Structural variants

Genetic association study using SNP



Hunter DJ, et al. NEJM 2008

Genetic epidemiology

Flow of research

Disease characteristics: Descriptive epidemiology

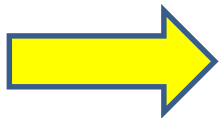
Familial clustering: Family aggregation studies

Genetic or environmental: Twin/adoption/half-sibling/migrant studies

Mode of inheritance: Segregation analysis

Disease susceptibility loci: Linkage analysis

Disease susceptibility markers: Association studies



Genome-wide association study

Whole genome sequencing

Role of genomic studies

- Candidate gene discovery
 - Therapeutic target
 - Biomarker
 - Tailored therapy

Heritability

Any particular phenotype can be [modelled](#) as the sum of genetic and environmental effects:⁴

$$\text{Phenotype } (P) = \text{Genotype } (G) + \text{Environment } (E).$$

Likewise the variance in the trait – $\text{Var}(P)$ – is the sum of genetic effects as follows:

$$\text{Var}(P) = \text{Var}(G) + \text{Var}(E) + 2 \text{Cov}(G, E).$$

In a planned experiment $\text{Cov}(G, E)$ can be controlled and held at 0. In this case, heritability is defined as:

$$H^2 = \frac{\text{Var}(G)}{\text{Var}(P)}$$

The proportion of the genetic variance to the total phenotypic variance in a defined population.

Hypothesis for association studies

- Genetic variation
 - Risk factor
- Disease susceptibility/phenotype
 - Outcome
- Known risk factors
 - Covariate

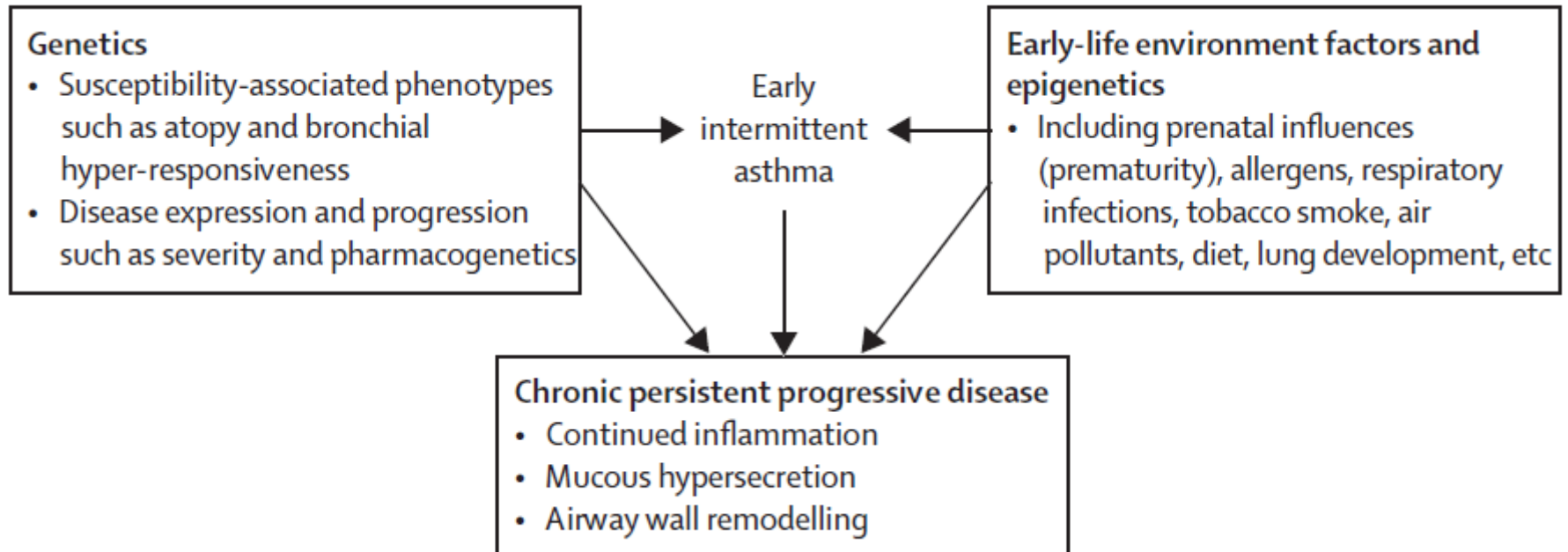
Genetic association study

- Statistically significant association
 - $P < 0.05$
 - Power?
 - MAF, OR, sample size
 - False positive (multiple test, stratification)
 - Bias

Genome-wide association study

- N more than thousands
- $P < 5 \times 10^{-8}$
- Population stratification adjustment
- Allele frequency more than 5%
 - Technical issues

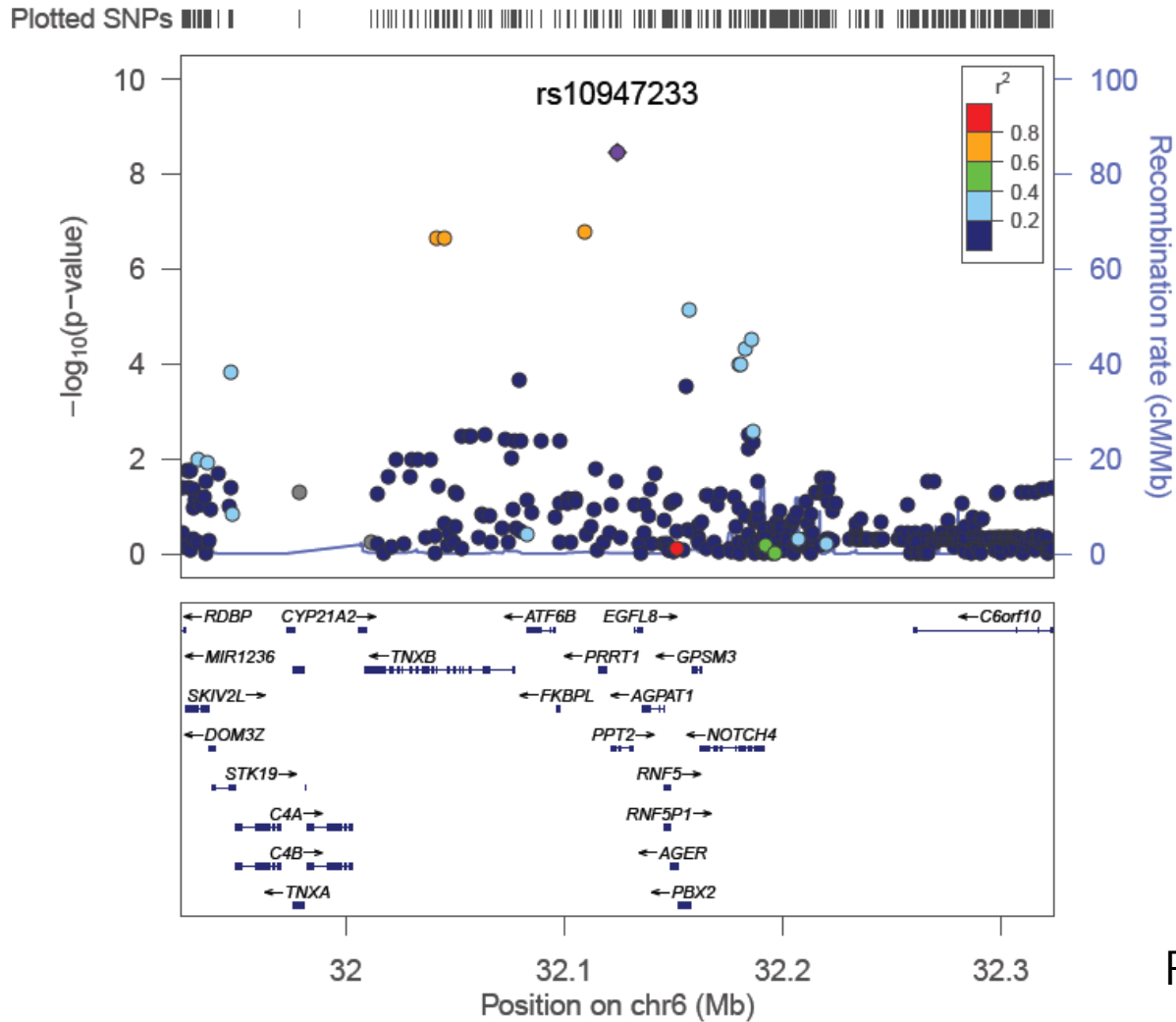
Asthma pathogenesis and GWAS



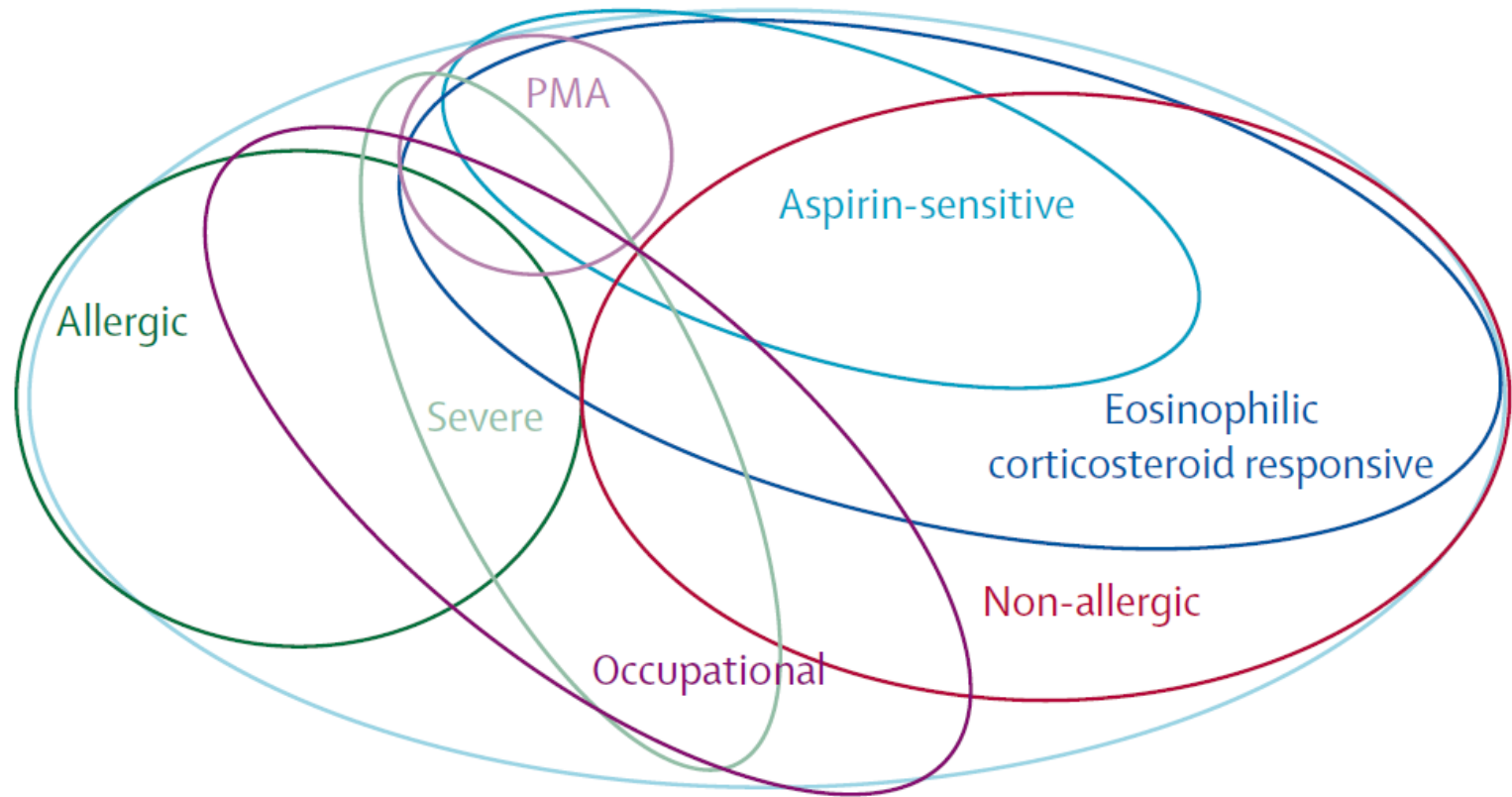
Genome-wide significant loci for asthma susceptibility

	Chromosome	Population (first reported)	SNP (first reported)
ORMDL3 ^{6-4,23-24}	17	European	rs7216389
IL1RL1 ^{7,8,23,25}	2	European	rs1420101
WDR36 ^{6,8,25}	5	European	rs2416257
PDE4D ²²	5	European-American	rs1588265
DENND1B ²³	1	European-American, African-American	rs2786098
RAD50 ^{7,26}	5	European-American	rs2244012
IL13 ^{1,26}	5	European-American	rs20541
HLA-DR/DQ ^{6,8,26-31}	6	European-American	rs1063355
GSDMB ^{8,18,21}	17	European	rs2305480
IL33 ^{8,25}	9	European	rs1342326
IL18R1 ^{7,21}	2	European	rs2771166
SMAD3 ⁷	15	European	rs744910
IL2RB ⁷	22	European	rs2284033
RORA ⁷	15	European	rs11071559
HLA-DPA1 ²⁷	6	Japanese, European-American, African-American	rs987870
TSLP ^{6,25-27}	5	Hispanic	rs1837253
PYHIN1 ⁸	2	African-American	rs1101999
NOTCH4 ³⁰	6	Japanese	rs404860
AGER ³⁰	6	Japanese	rs204993
C6orf10 ³⁰	6	Japanese	rs3129943
PBX2 ³⁰	6	Japanese	rs204993
IKZF4 ³⁰	12	Japanese	rs1701704
CDK2 ³⁰	12	Japanese	rs2069408
USP38 ³⁰	4	Japanese	rs7686660
GAB1 ³⁰	4	Japanese	rs3805236
GATA3 ³⁰	10	Japanese	rs10508372
IL6R ²⁴	1	European	rs4129267
LRRC32 ²⁴	11	European	rs7130588
C11orf30 ²⁴	11	European	rs7130588
TNIP1 ²⁶	5	European-American	rs10036748

6p21 (*AGER*)



Asthma heterogeneity



Wenzel SE, et al. Lancet 2006

GWAS with subtype

- Aspirin-exacerbated

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ORIGINAL INVESTIGATION

Genome-wide association study of aspirin-exacerbated respiratory disease in a Korean population

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GWAS with phenotype

- Eosinophil count, IgE

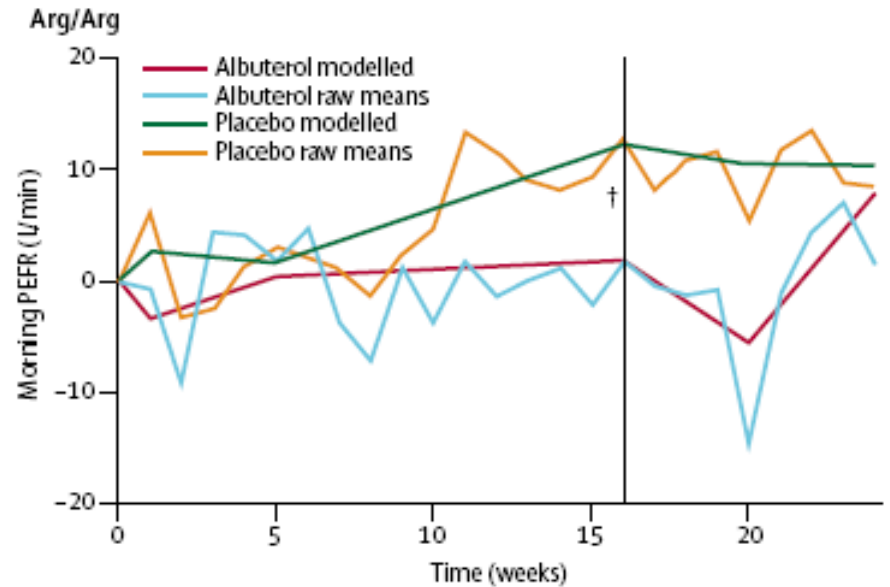
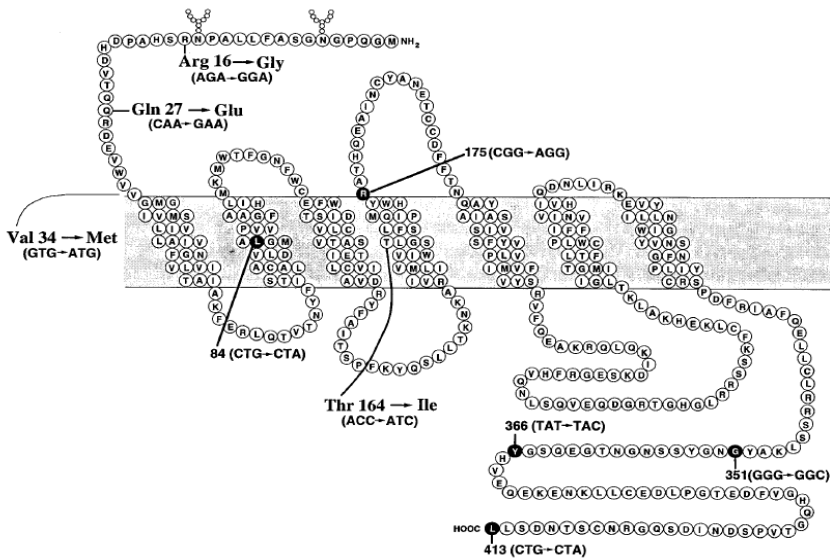
A meta-analysis of genome-wide association studies for serum total IgE in diverse study populations

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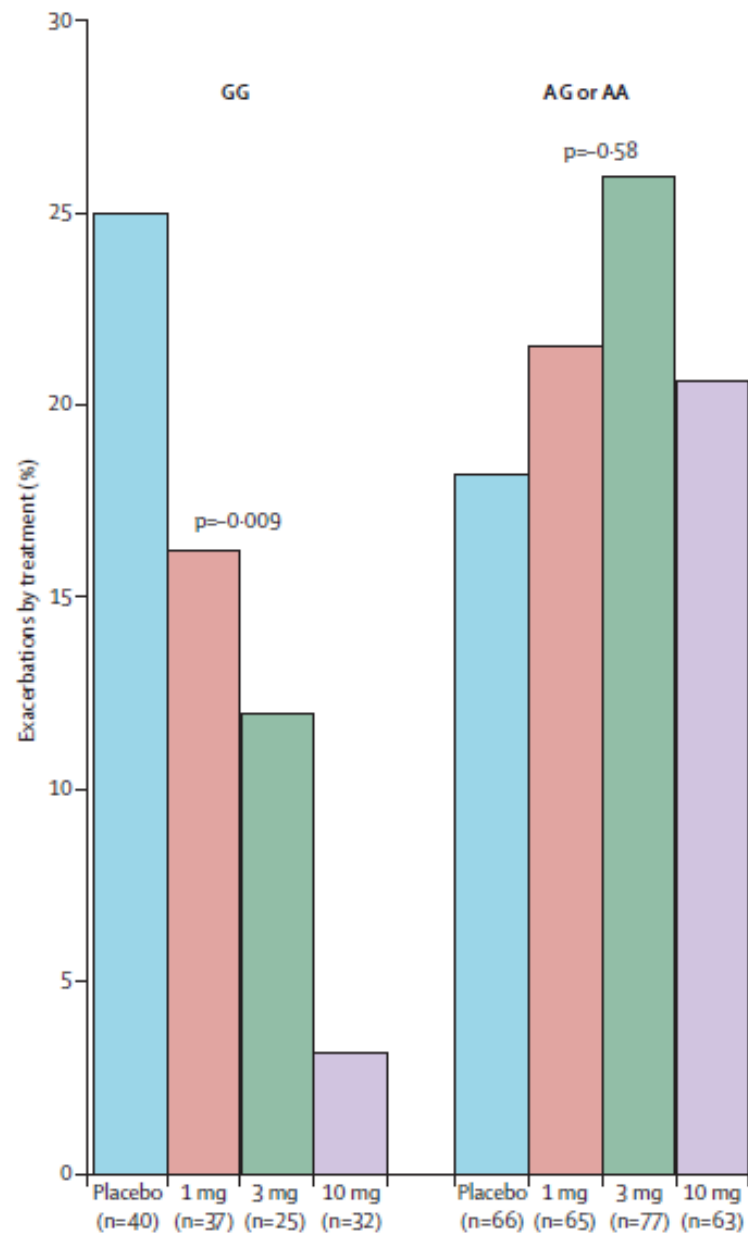
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Beta agonist treatment and *ADRB2*

- Beta₂-adrenergic receptor



IL4R polymorphism



Anti-IL4 antagonist

Genome-Wide Association Analysis in Asthma Subjects Identifies *SPATS2L* as a Novel Bronchodilator Response Gene

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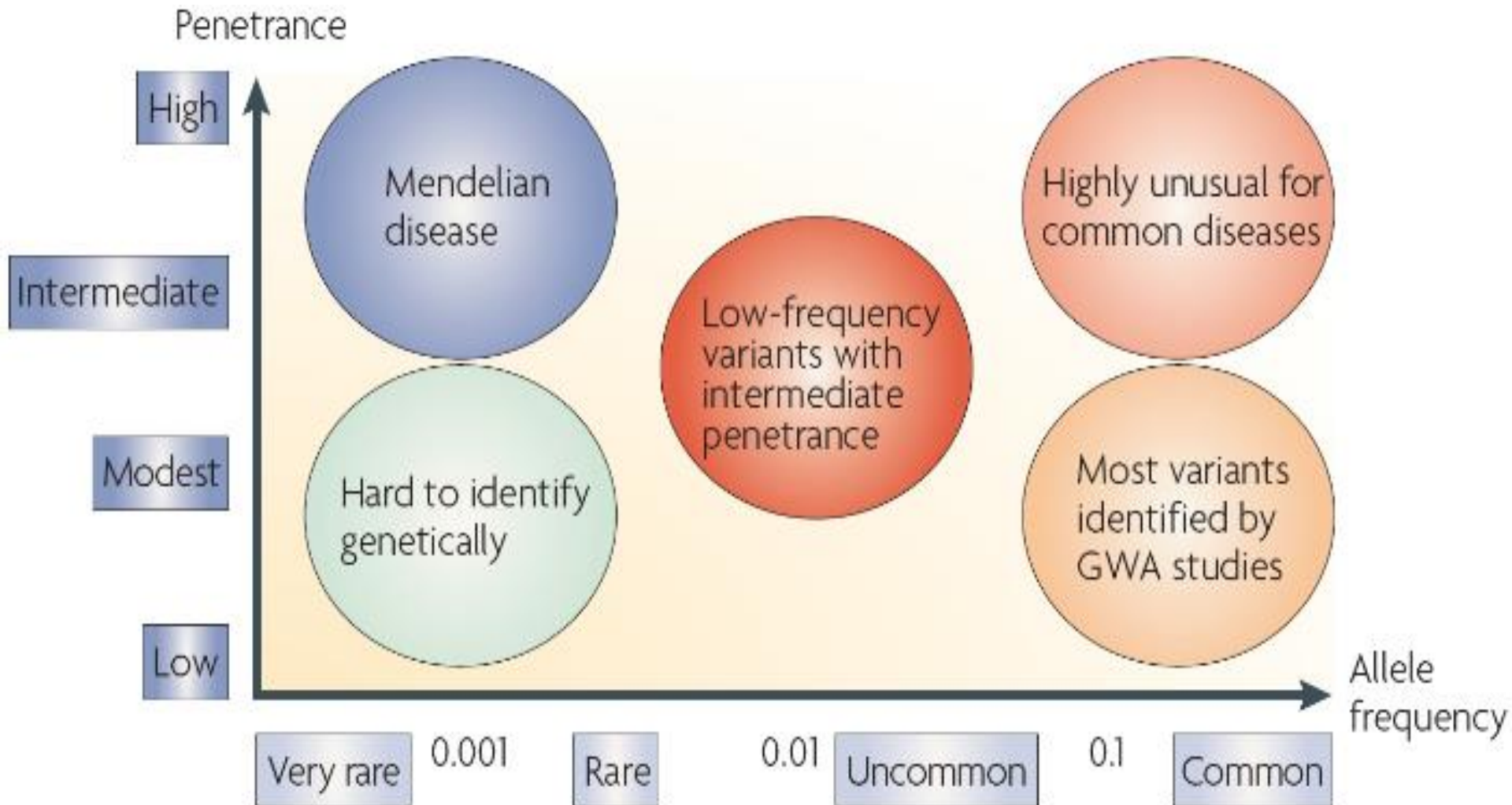
Functional Consequences of SNPs

- SNPs in promoter/regulatory regions
 - Do not affect a.a. sequence
 - Can affect the level, location, or timing of gene expression
- SNPs in non-coding regions (most of SNPs)
 - No direct known impact on the phenotype
 - Useful as markers in population genetics and evolutionary studies

Role of genomic studies

- Candidate gene discovery
 - Therapeutic target
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Common variant vs. Rare variant



Summary

- Genetics study in respiratory diseases
 - Genome-wide association study
 - Novel candidate genes
 - Replication studies and functional studies are on-going
 - GWAS with various phenotypes
 - Drug response associated genetic variants