

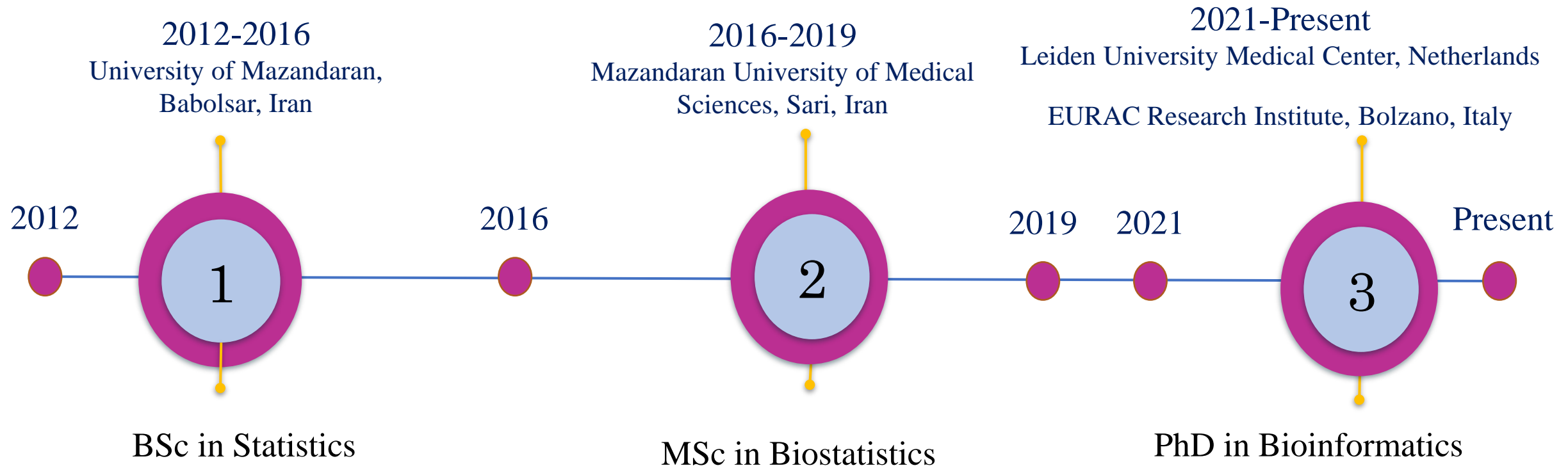
GWAS and Population Genetics

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Education



Genome

DNA

ACTGACCTAGATCAGTGTAGCGATCGTATACGAGACCGATTTCATCGGCAT



transcription

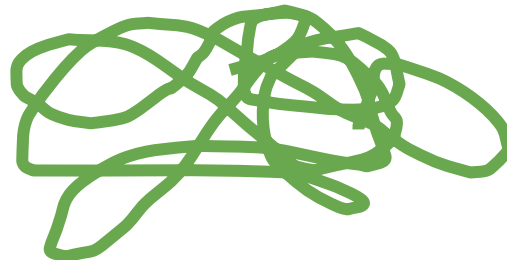
RNA

AUCAGUCGAUCCGAU



translation

protein



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³ Von Arx, W. S., Woods Hole Papers in Phys. Oceanog. Meteor., 11 (3) (1950).

A Structure for Deoxyribose Nucleic Acid

A structure for nucleic acid has already been proposed by Pauling and Corey.⁷ They kindly made their manuscript available to us in advance of publication. Their model consists of three inter-twined chains, with the phosphates near the fibre axis and the bases near the periphery. In our opinion, this structure is unsatisfactory for two reasons: (1) We believe that the material which gives the X-ray diagrams is the salt, not the free acid. Without the acidic hydrogen atoms it is not clear what forces would hold the structure together, especially as the bases are charged. (2) Some of the van der Waals distances appear to be too small.

~~1~~ We wish to put forward a

This figure is purely diagrammatic. The two ribbons symbolize the two phosphate-sugar chains, and the horizontal rods the pairs of bases holding the chains together. The vertical line marks the fibre axis.

The structure is an open one, and its water content is rather high. At lower water contents we would expect the bases to tilt so that the structure could become more compact.

The novel feature of the structure is the manner in which the two chains are held together by the purine and pyrimidine bases. The planes of the bases are perpendicular to the fibre axis. They are joined together in pairs, a single base from one chain being hydrogen-bonded to a single base from the other chain, so that the two lie side by side with identical *z*-co-ordinates. One of the pair must be a purine and the other a pyrimidine for bonding to occur. The hydrogen bonds are made as follows: purine position 1 to pyrimidine position 1; purine position 6 to pyrimidine position 6.

If it is assumed that the bases only occur in the structure in the most plausible tautomeric forms (that is, with the keto rather than the enol configurations) it is found that only specific pairs of bases can bond together. These pairs are: adenine (purine) with thymine (pyrimidine), and guanine (purine) with cytosine (pyrimidine).

In other words, if an adenine forms one member of a pair, on either chain, then on these assumptions the other member must be thymine; similarly for guanine and cytosine. The sequence of bases on a single chain does not appear to be restricted in any way. However, if only specific pairs of bases can be formed, it follows that if the sequence of bases on one chain is given, then the sequence on the other chain is automatically determined.

It has been found experimentally^{2,4} that the ratio of the amounts of adenine to thymine, and the ratio of guanine to cytosine, are always very close to unity for deoxyribose nucleic acid.

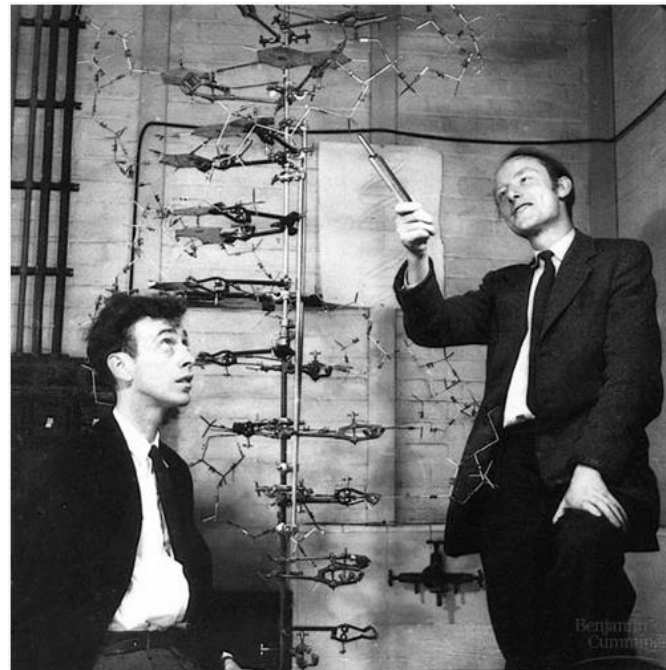
It is probably impossible to build this structure with a ribose sugar in place of the deoxyribose, as the extra oxygen atom would make too close a van der Waals contact.

The previously published X-ray data^{4,6} on deoxyribose nucleic acid are insufficient for a rigorous test of our structure. So far as we can tell, it is roughly compatible with the experimental data, but it must be regarded as unproved until it has been checked against more exact results. Some of these are given in the following communications. We were not aware of the details of the results presented there when we devised our structure, which rests mainly though not entirely on published experimental data and stereochemical arguments.

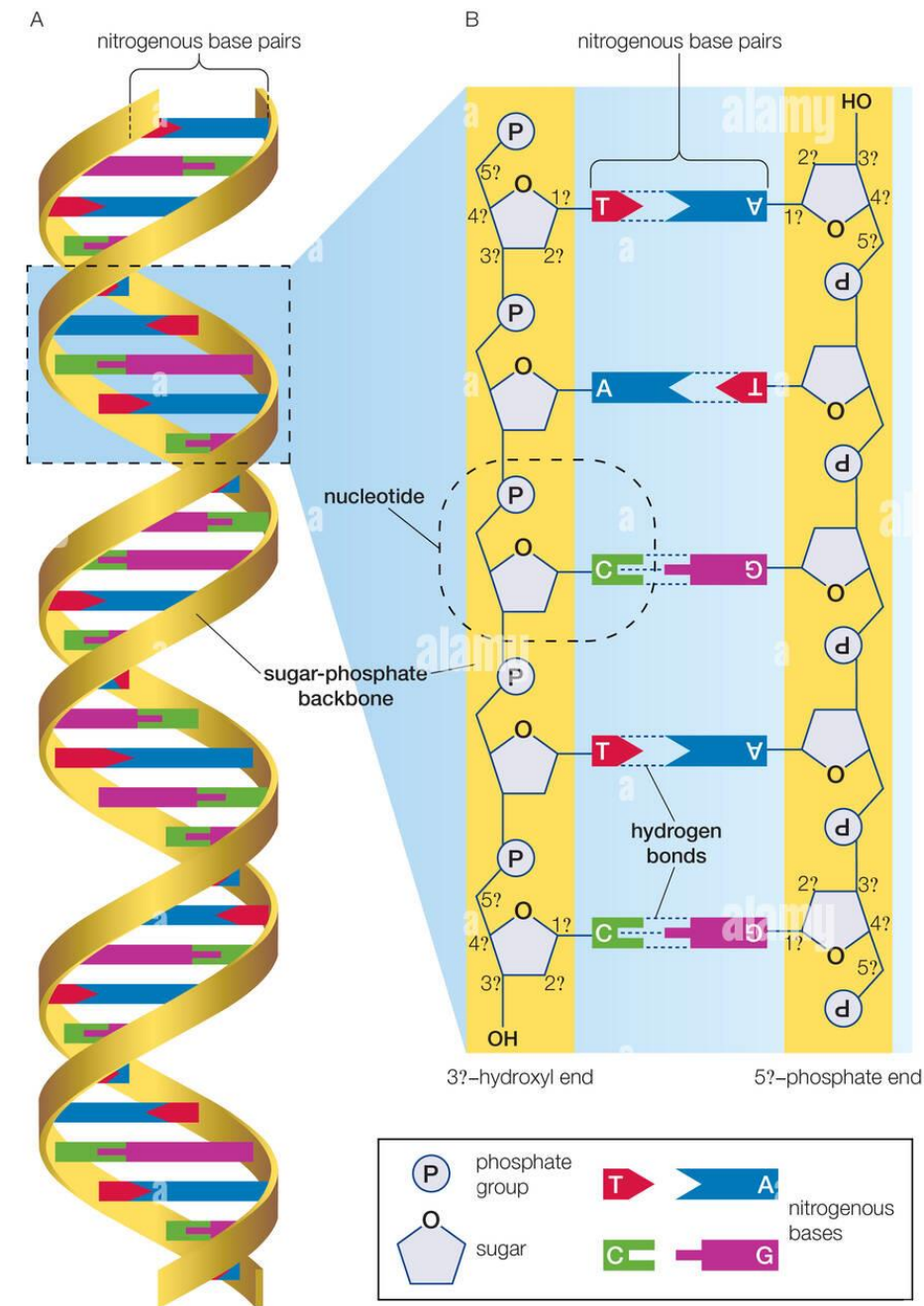
It has not escaped our notice that the specific pairing we have postulated immediately suggests a possible copying mechanism for the genetic material.

Full details of the structure, including the conditions assumed in building it, together with a set of co-ordinates for the atoms, will be published elsewhere.

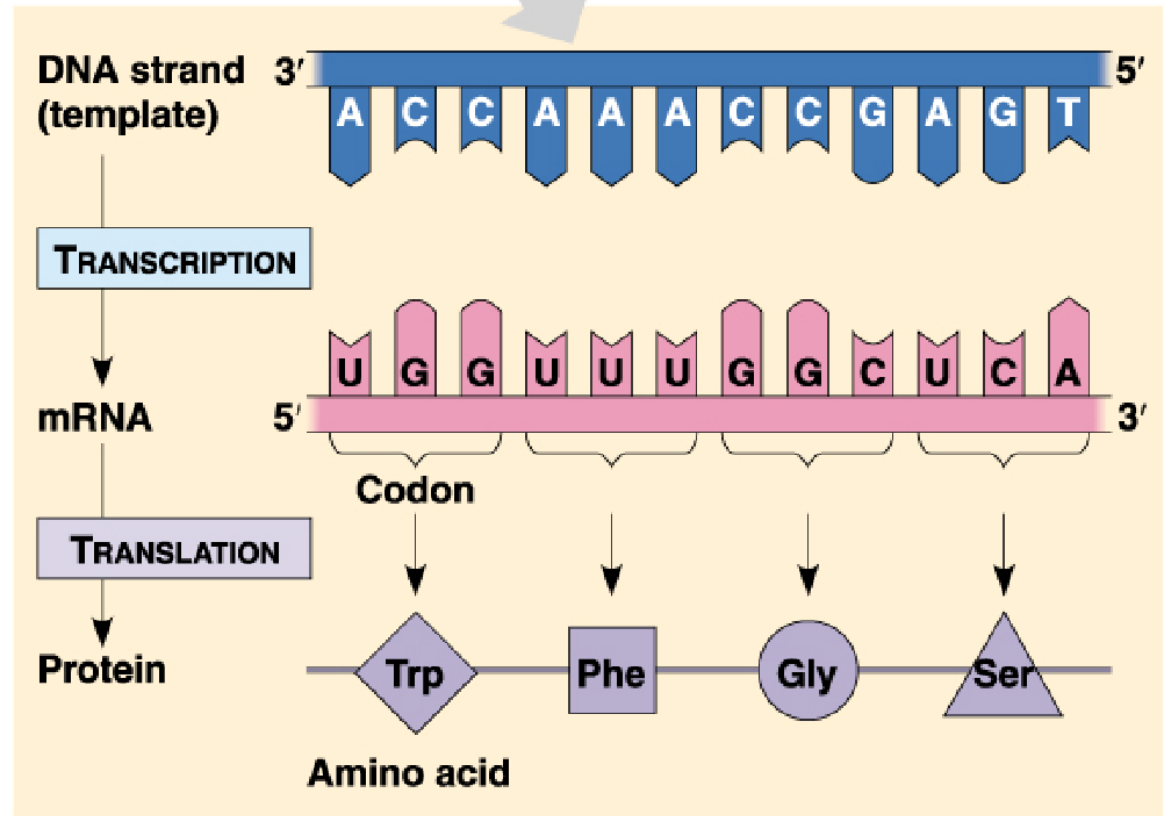
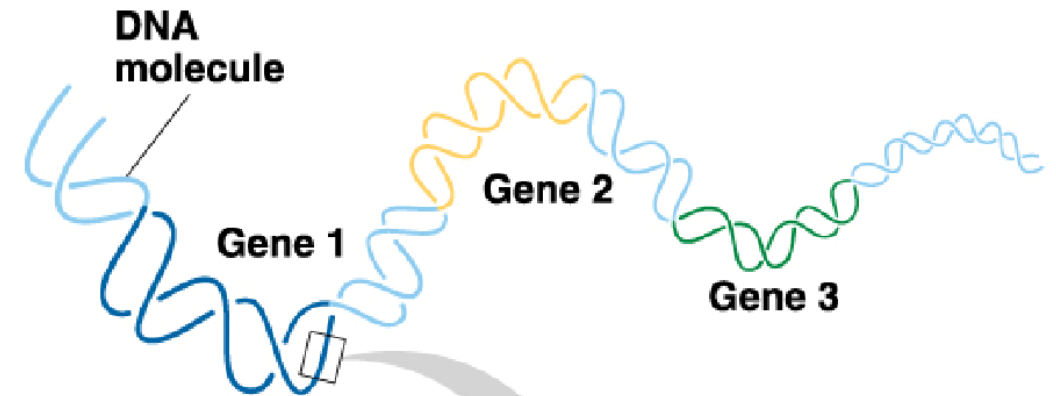
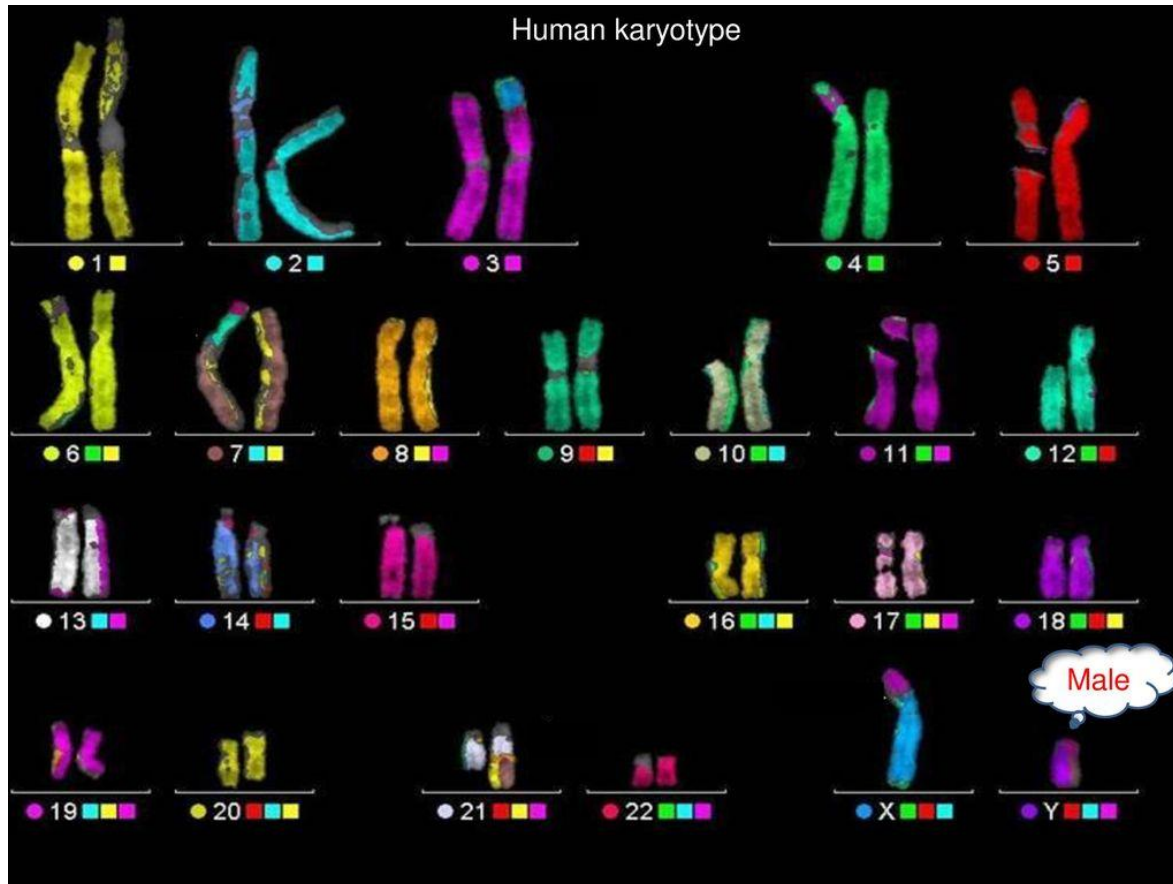
We are much indebted to Dr. Jerry Donohue for constant advice and criticism, especially on inter-atomic distances. We have also been stimulated by a knowledge of the general nature of the unpublished experimental results and ideas of Dr. M. H. F. Wilkins, Dr. R. E. Franklin and their co-workers at



Guanine



Genome



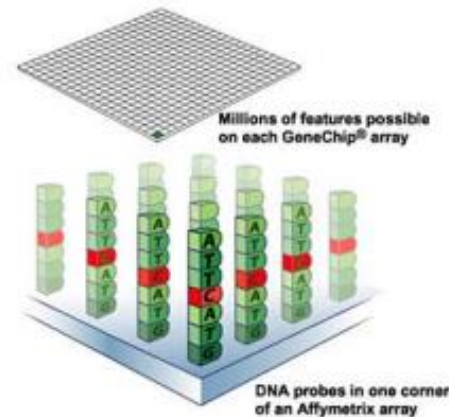
Twenty years of technological progress



Mapping the human genome
2001



Characterizing common variation
2003 - 2007



Genome-wide association (GWAS)
2005 - present



Next generation sequencing
2009 - present

Technologies

Arrays



Upside Hits + epidemiology
Downside Hit interpretation

Exomes



Gene identification
Limited Scope


Genomes




Comprehensive capture
Cost (small N)

Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP)

	Chrom.	DNA sequence	Genotype	
			SNP 1	SNP 2
Person 1	Mat	GTA ACTTGGGATCT A GACCAG G ATAGAT	A A	G G
	Pat	GTA ACTTGGGATCT A GACCAG G ATAGAT		
Person 2	Mat	GTA ACTTGGGATCT A GACCAG G ATAGAT	A C	G G
	Pat	GTA ACTTGGGATCT C GACCAG G ATAGAT		
Person 3	Mat	GTA ACTTGGGATCT C GACCAG G ATAGAT	C C	G T
	Pat	GTA ACTTGGGATCT C GACCA T ATAGAT		


 SNP 1


 SNP 2

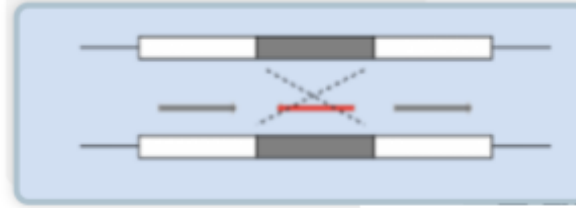
- Mutation that arose at some point in demographic history
- Typically, each SNP has two alleles (bases)
- Each SNP is eventually given an “rs” number rs214621

Structural Mutations

Deletion



Inversion



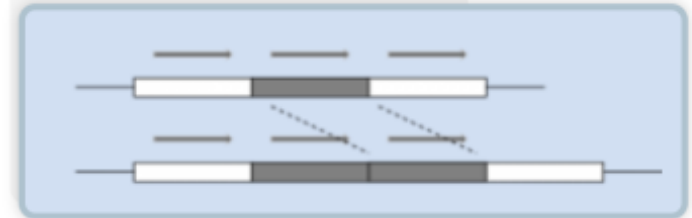
Insertion



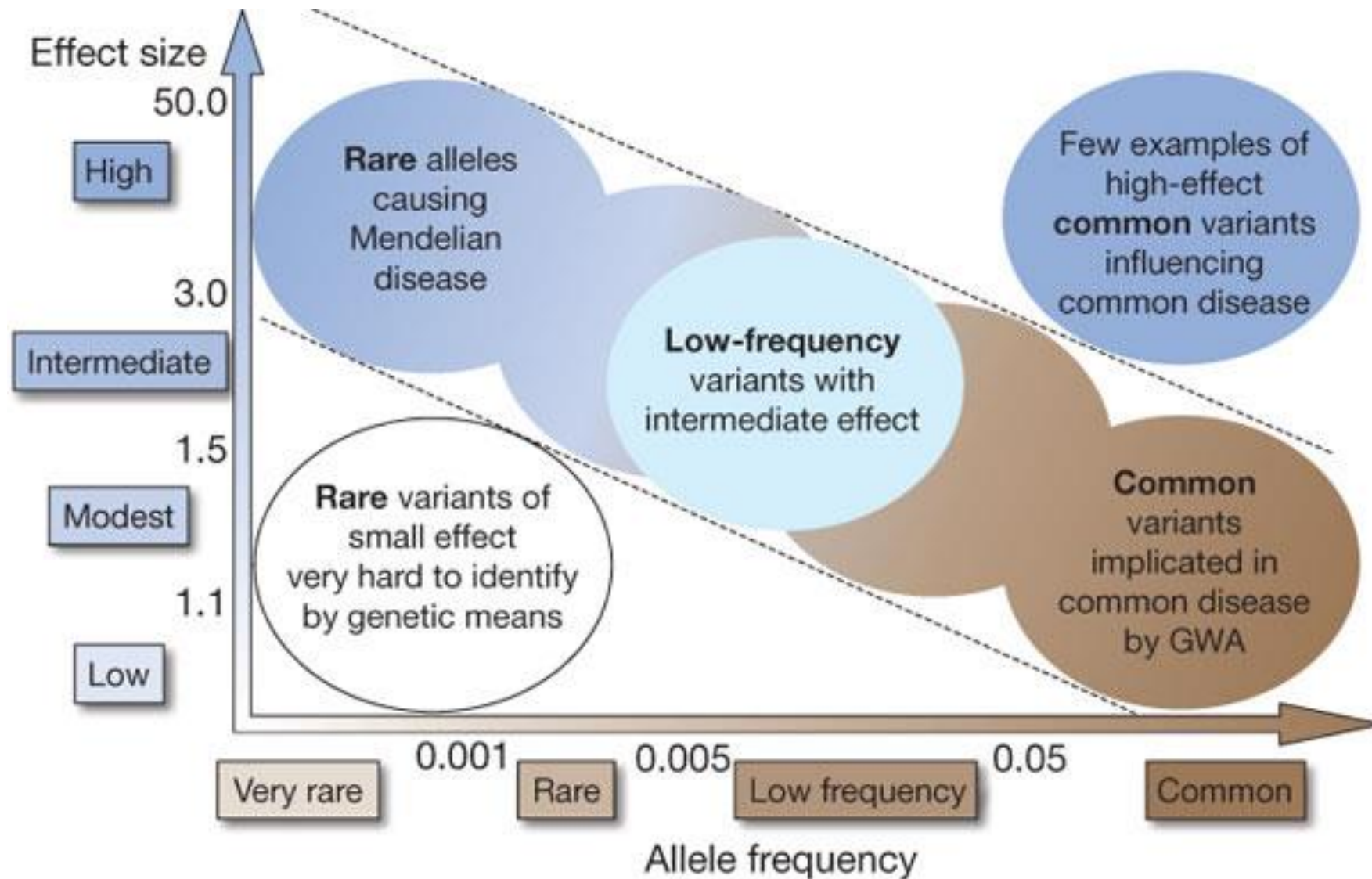
Copy number variation



Duplication



Variants' Distribution in Population



Simplest Regression Model of Association

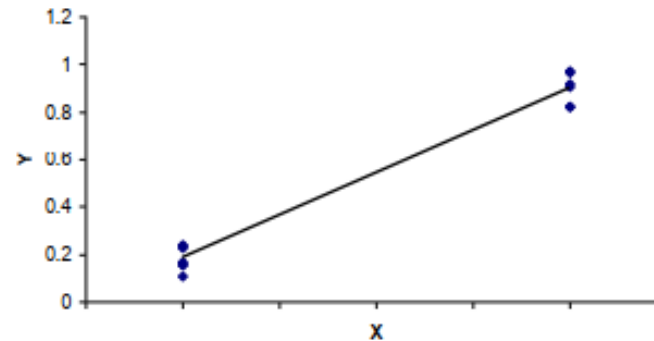
$$Y_i = \alpha + \beta X_i + e_i$$

where

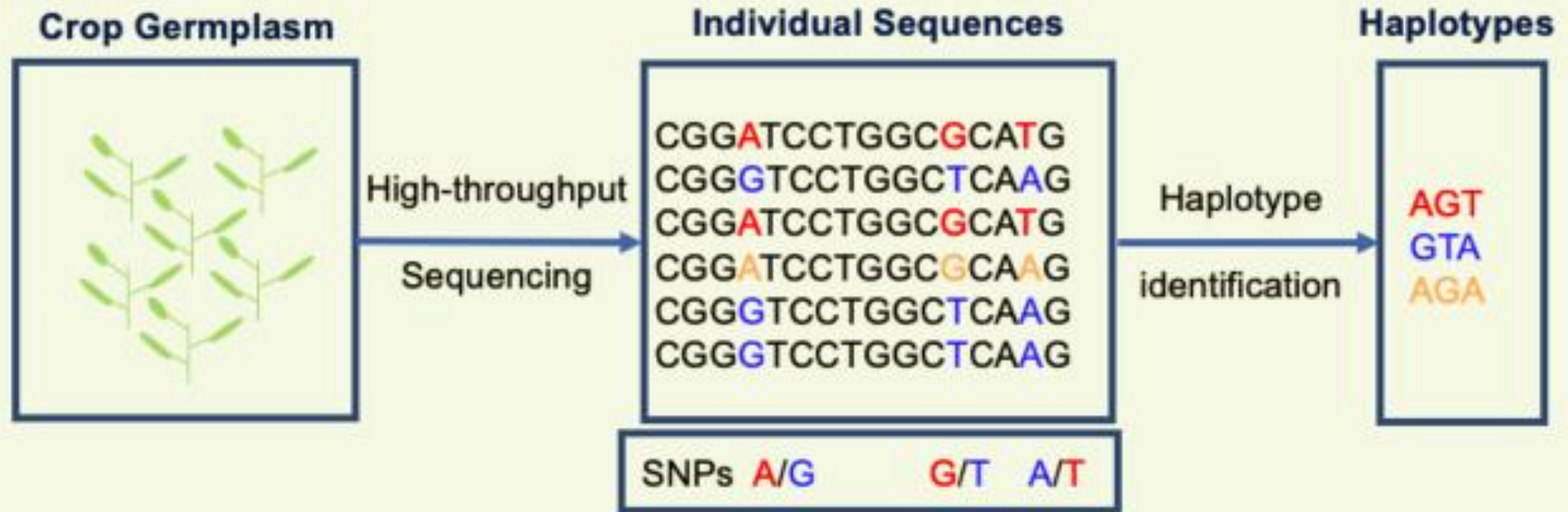
Y_i = trait value for individual i

X_i = 1 if allele individual i has allele 'A'
0 otherwise

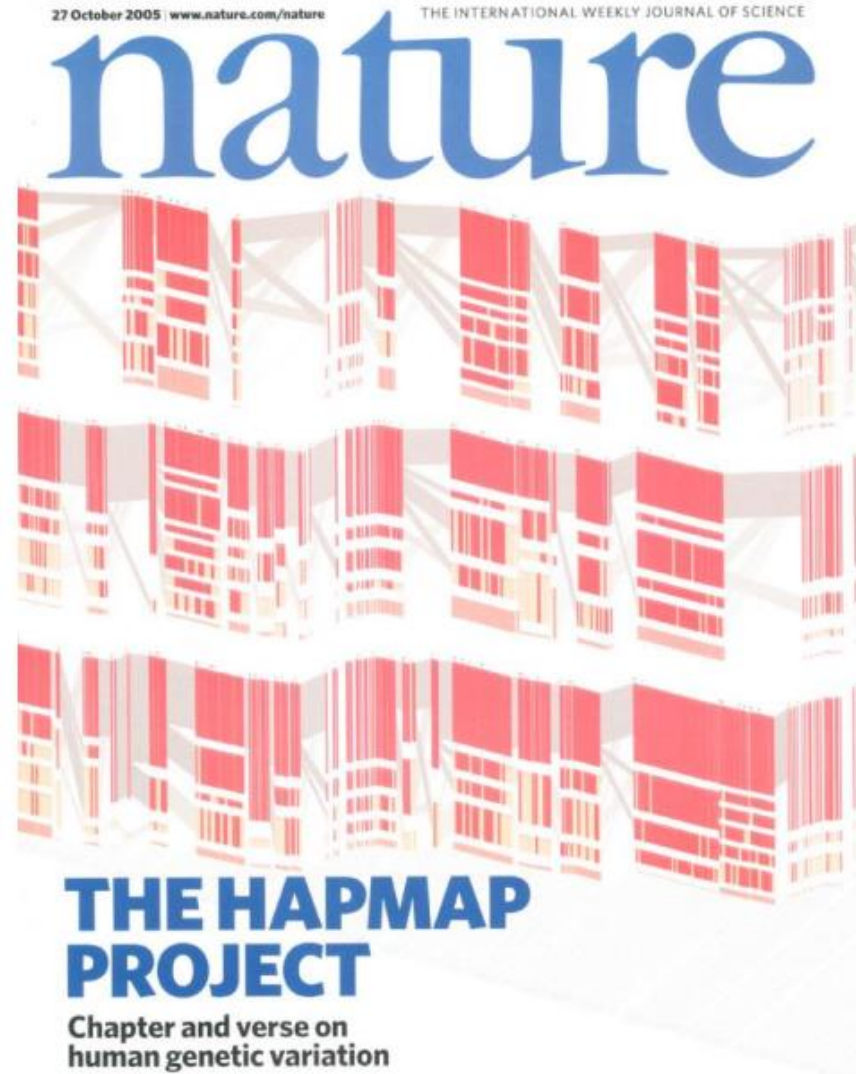
i.e., test of mean differences between 'A' and 'not-A' individuals



Haplotypes



Reference Panels for Genomic Imputation



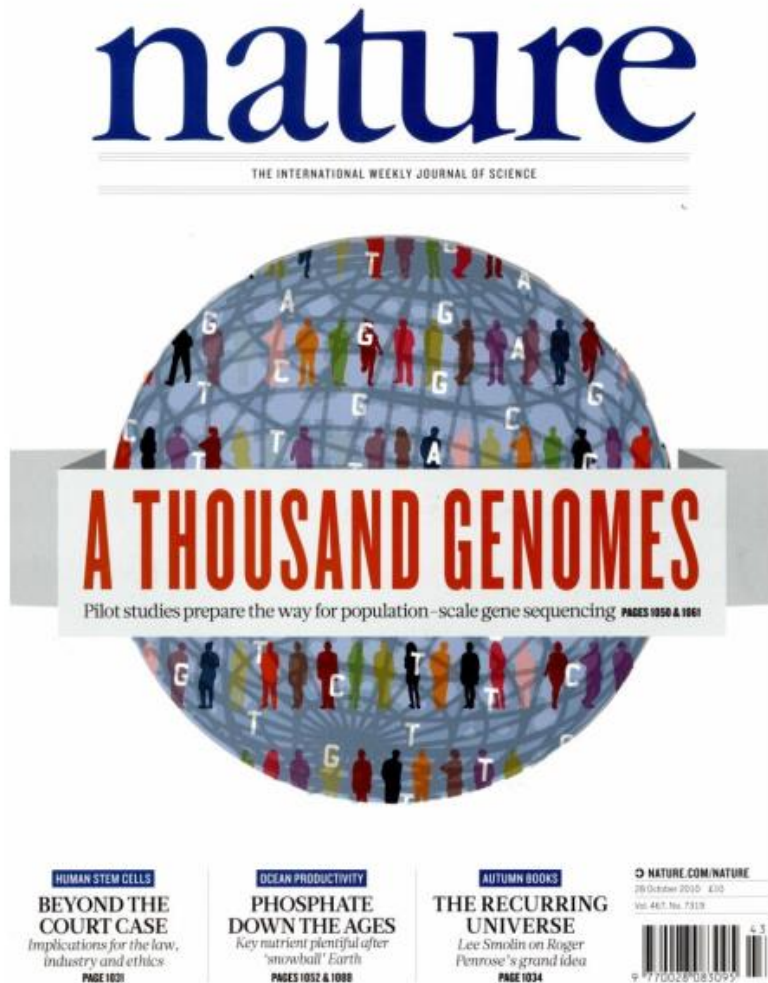
HapMap (haplotype map) Project

270 individuals:

- 30 parent-offspring trios of the Yoruba from Ibadan, Nigeria (YRI)
- 30 trios of Utah residents with European ancestry (CEU)
- 45 individuals from Beijing, China (CHB)
- 45 individuals from Tokyo, Japan (JPT)

The International HapMap Consortium (2005). A haplotype map of the human genome. *Nature*.

Reference Panels for Genomic Imputation



1000 Genomes Project

Phase 1: 1,092 individuals from 14 populations..

Phase 3: 2,504 individuals from 26 populations (~500 samples from each 5 continental ancestry groups, with ~5 populations for each group)

Population		Code	Population Color	Continental Group Color	Analysis Panel	Phase 1	Phase 3
African ancestry							
Esan in Nigeria	Esan	ESN			AFR		99
Gambian in Western Division, Mandinka	Gambian	GWD			AFR		113
Luhya in Webuye, Kenya	Luhya	LWK			AFR	97	99
Mende in Sierra Leone	Mende	MSL			AFR		85
Yoruba in Ibadan, Nigeria	Yoruba	YRI			AFR	88	108
African Caribbean in Barbados	Barbadian	ACB			AFR/AMR		96
People with African Ancestry in Southwest USA	African-American SW	ASW			AFR/AMR	61	61
Americas							
Colombians in Medellin, Colombia	Colombian	CLM			AMR	60	94
People with Mexican Ancestry in Los Angeles, CA, USA	Mexican-American	MXL			AMR	66	64
Peruvians in Lima, Peru	Peruvian	PEL			AMR		85
Puerto Ricans in Puerto Rico	Puerto Rican	PUR			AMR	55	104
East Asian ancestry							
Chinese Dai in Xishuangbanna, China	Dai Chinese	CDX			EAS		93
Han Chinese in Beijing, China	Han Chinese	CHB			EAS	97	103
Southern Han Chinese	Southern Han Chinese	CHS			EAS	100	105
Japanese in Tokyo, Japan	Japanese	JPT			EAS	89	104
Kinh in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam	Kinh Vietnamese	KHV			EAS		99
European ancestry							
Utah residents (CEPH) with Northern and Western European ancestry	CEPH	CEU			EUR	85	99
British in England and Scotland	British	GBR			EUR	89	91
Finnish in Finland	Finnish	FIN			EUR	93	99
Iberian Populations in Spain	Spanish	IBS			EUR	14	107
Toscani in Italy	Tuscan	TSI			EUR	98	107
South Asian ancestry							
Bengali in Bangladesh	Bengali	BEB			SAS		86
Gujarati Indians in Houston, TX, USA	Gujarati	GIH			SAS		103
Indian Telugu in the UK	Telugu	ITU			SAS		102
Punjabi in Lahore, Pakistan	Punjabi	PJL			SAS		96
Sri Lankan Tamil in the UK	Tamil	STU			SAS		102
Total						1092	2504

The 1000 Genomes Project Consortium (2012). An integrated map of genetic variation from 1,092 human genomes. *Nature*
The 1000 Genomes Project Consortium (2015). A global reference for human genetic variation. *Nature*

Reference Panels for Genomic Imputation

The Haplotype Reference Consortium (HRC)



A reference panel of 64,976 haplotypes for genotype imputation

Reference Panels for Genomic Imputation

Trans-Omics for Precision Medicine (TOPMed)

nature

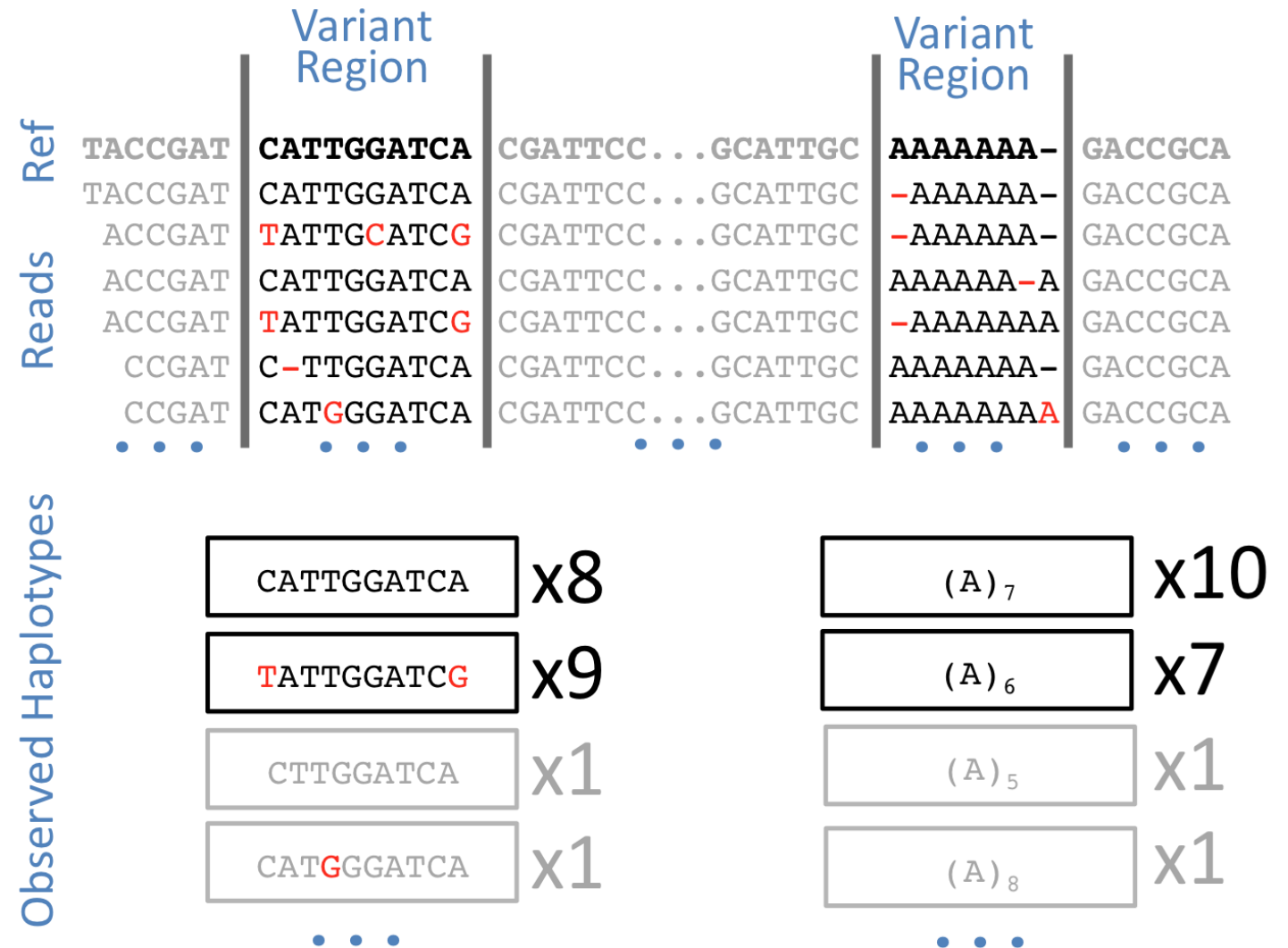
**Sequencing of 53,831 diverse genomes from
the NHLBI TOPMed Program**

Taliun, D., Harris, D.N., Kessler, M.D. *et al.* (2021). Sequencing of 53,831 diverse genomes from the NHLBI TOPMed Program. *Nature*

Step1: Variant Identification (sequencing)

Software:

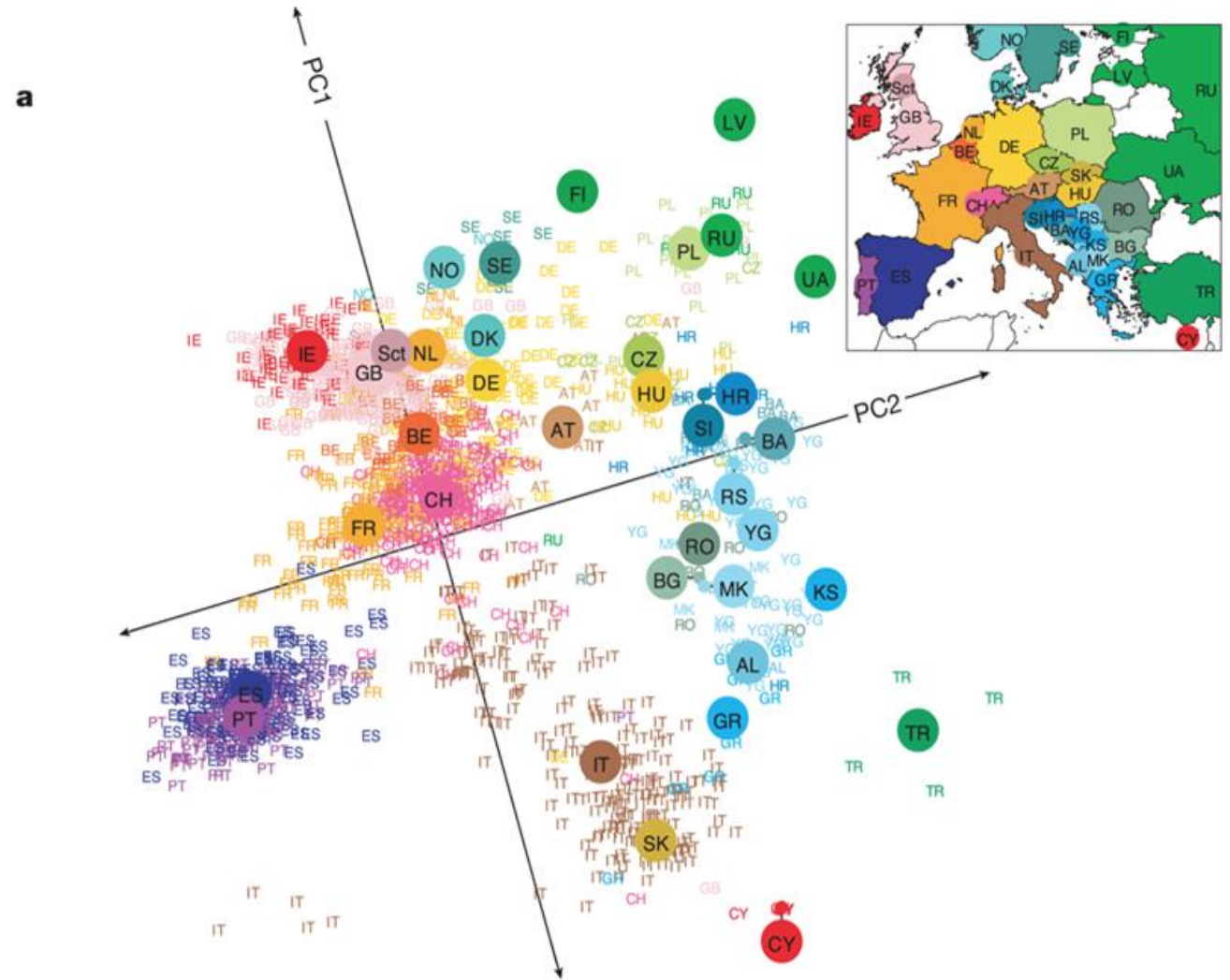
- [freeBayes](https://github.com/ekg/freebayes)
- [GATK](https://gatk.org/)



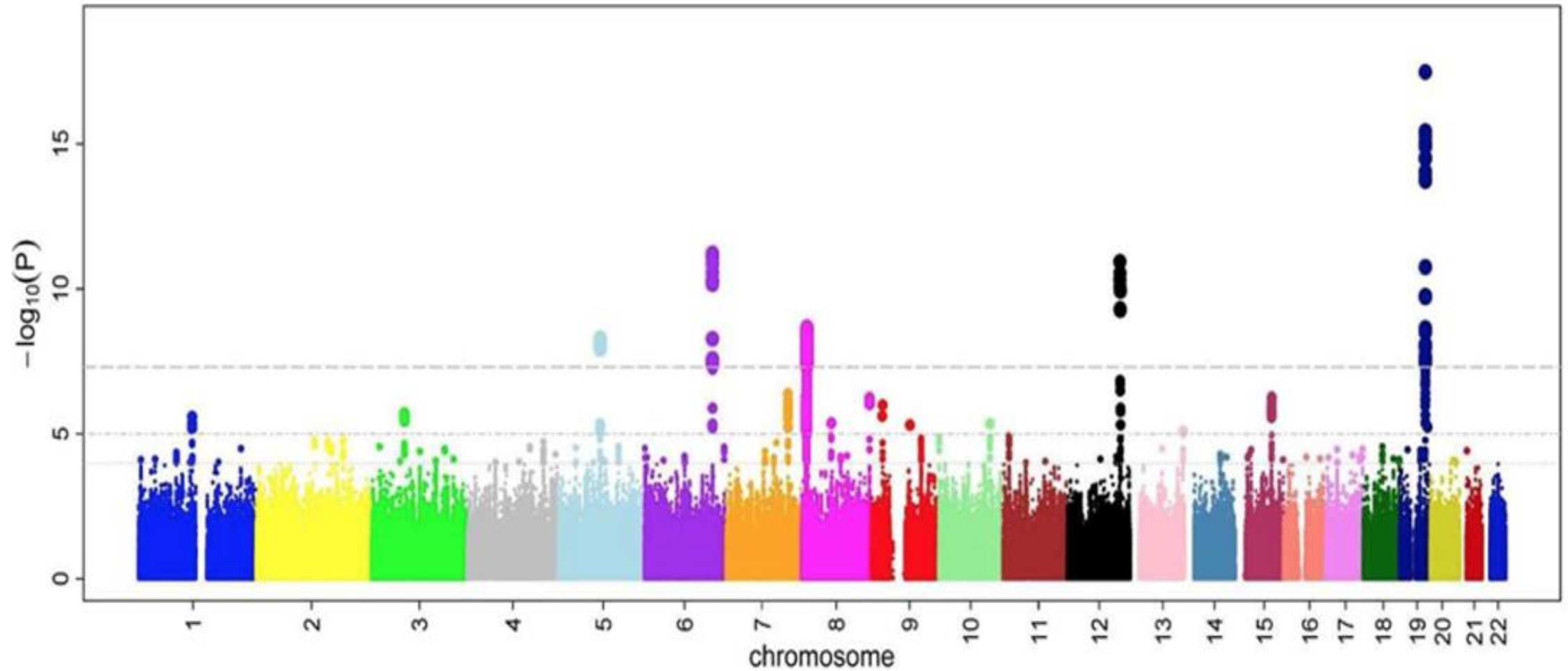
Step2: Population Stratification

Software:

- [EIGENSOFT](#)
- [snpStats](#)



Step3: Statistical Tests



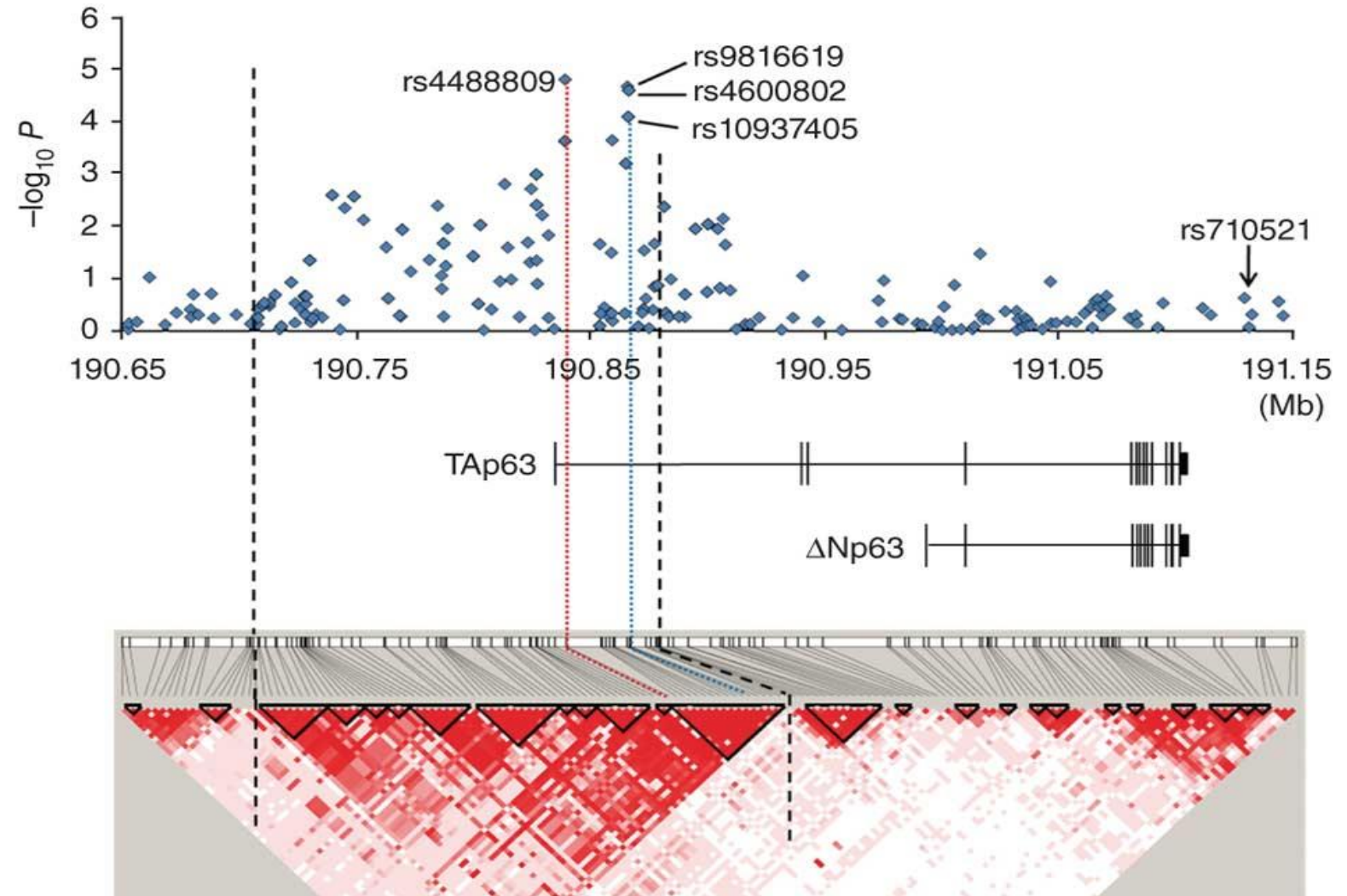
Step3: Statistical Tests | Performing GWAS via EPACTS

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4  PHENO=$BASE/phenodf4_NEW_scheme_W.ped
5  OUT=/home/dghasemi
6  KIN=/
7  DATA=
8  BIN=
9
10 for t in SerumCreatinine.Stdw.Res      eGFRw.Res      eGFRw.log.Res
11 do
12     for i in `seq 1 22`
13     do
14         echo ${BIN}epacts single -vcf $DATA/chr$i.vcf.gz \
15         -ped ${PHENO} --pheno $t \
16         -out ${OUT}/${t}.chr$i \
17         -test q.emmax \
18         -kinf ${KIN} --chr $i \
19         -field DS \
20         --run 24 --mosix-nodes "\"\"
21     done
22 done
23
24
```


Step4: Examine local region

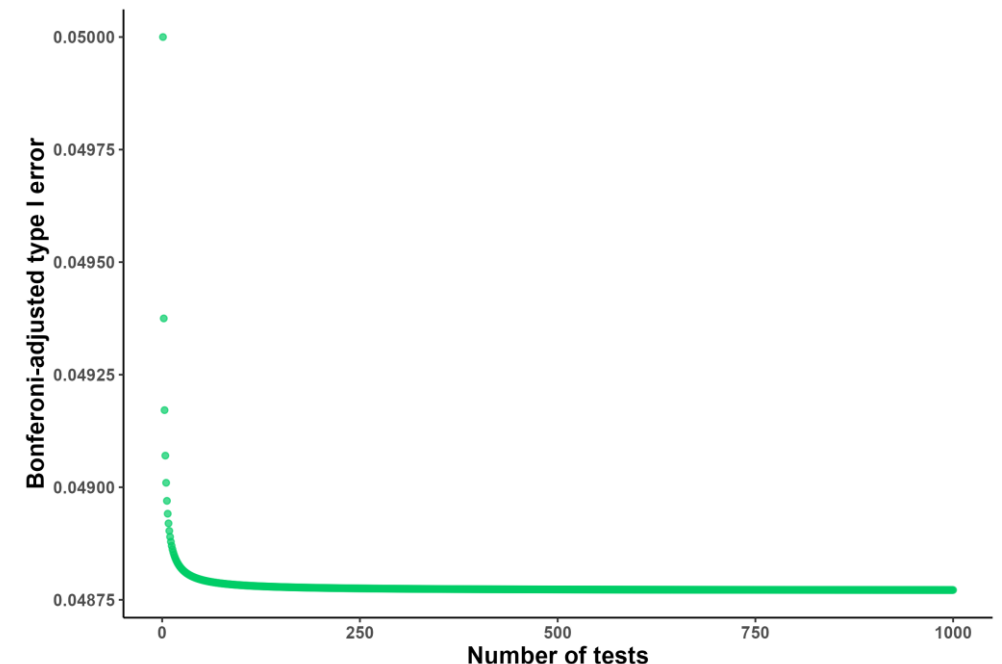
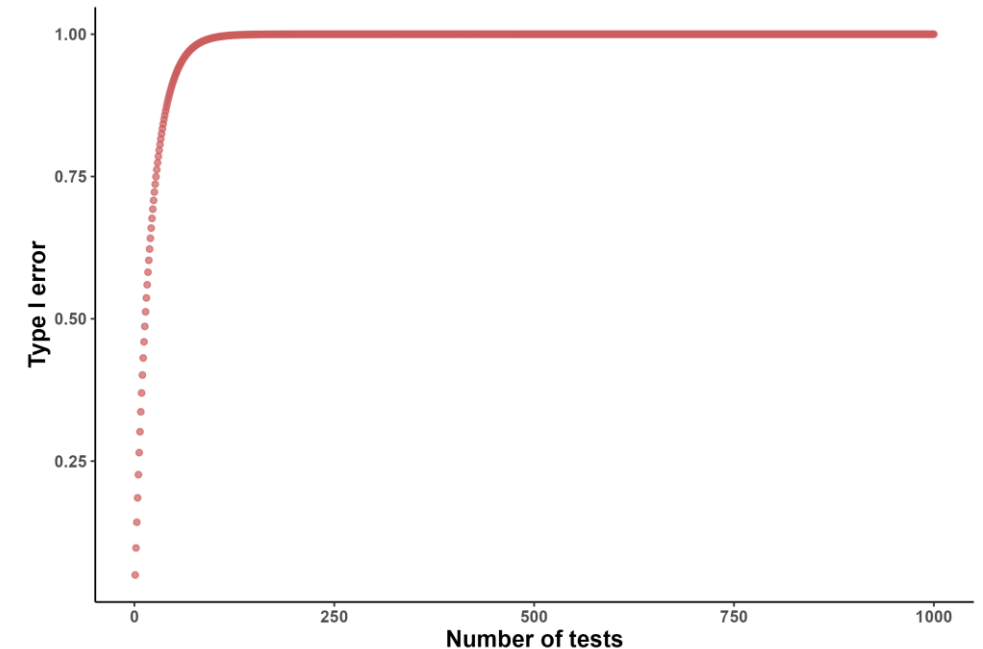
Software:

- [PLINK](#)
- [Annotating Genomic Variants Workflow](#)



Multiple Testing Adjustments

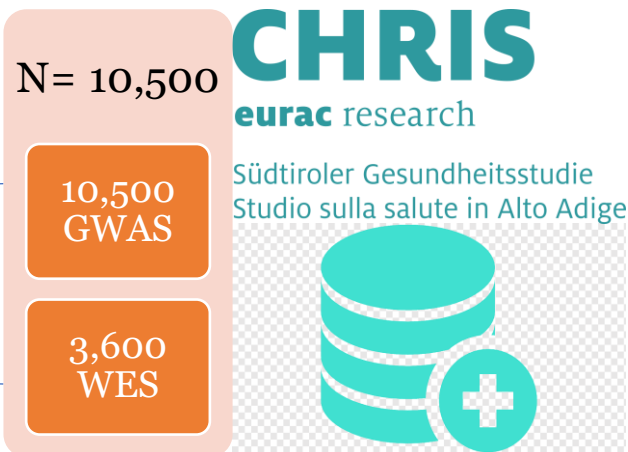
- Measure 10,000 genes
- Calculate 10,000 p-values
- Call genes “significant” if p-value < 0.05
- Expected Number of False Positives:
 $10,000 \times 0.05 = 500 \text{ False Positives}$
- Bonferroni Correction:
P-values less than α/m are significant



PhD Project: Kidney function Biomarkers in CHRIS Study Participants

- Database: CHRIS study

Cooperative Health Research In South Tyrol study



Phenotypes: Serum Creatinine,
Urinary Creatinine,
UACR,
Serum Albumin,
Urinary Albumin,
eGFR

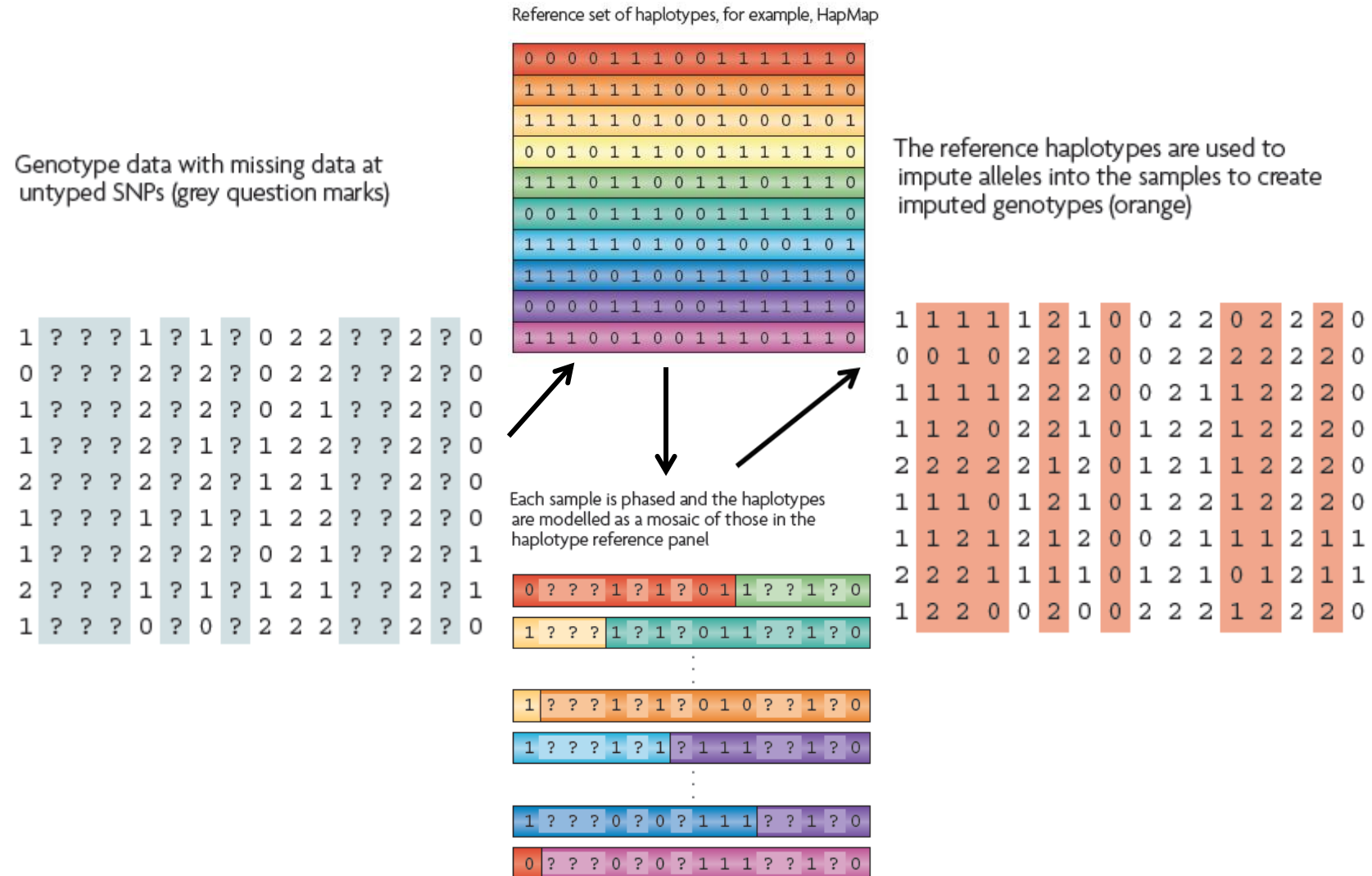
- . 13 municipalities
- . 28,000 inhabitants (adults)
- . 13,393 participants (2011-2018)
- . Mean age 46 (18-93)
- . 55% females

Schlanders: one hospital
A single site study



South Tyrol, Italy

What is imputation? (Marchini & Howie 2010)



Genomic Imputation:

1- Starting Data

Genotyped sample

. . C . . G . C .

Reference haplotypes

A	G	A	T	C	T	C	C	T
A	G	C	T	C	T	C	A	T
A	G	A	T	C	G	C	C	T
A	G	A	T	C	T	A	C	T

Genomic Imputation:

2- Identify shared regions of chromosome

Genotyped sample

.	.	C	.	.	G	.	C	.
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Reference haplotypes

A	G	A	T	C	T	C	C	T
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Genomic Imputation: 3.

Fill in missing genotypes

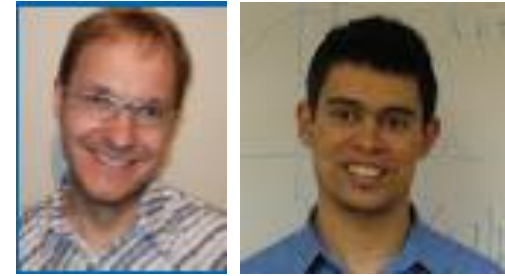
Genotyped sample

A	G	C	T	C	G	C	C	T
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Reference haplotypes

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A	G	C	T	C	T	C	A	T
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A	G	A	T	C	T	A	C	T

Genomic Imputation: Minimac4



- <https://github.com/statgen/Minimac4>
- Building on the work from Gonçalo Abecasis, Christian Fuchsberger and colleagues
- Analysis options
 - SAIGE
 - BoltLMM
 - plink2

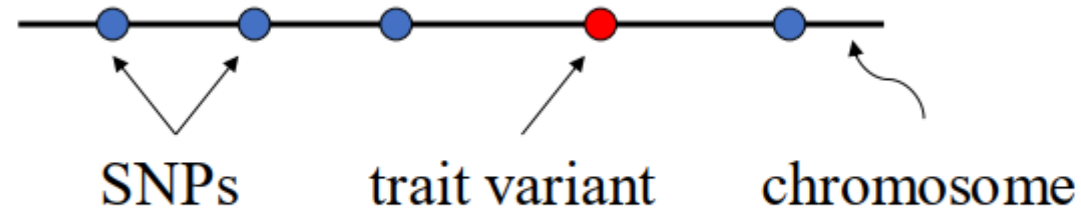
Next-generation genotype imputation service and methods

Sayantan Das, Lukas Forer, Sebastian Schönherr, Carlo Sidore, Adam E Locke, Alan Kwong, Scott I Vrieze, Emily Y Chew, Shawn Levy, Matt McGue, David Schlessinger, Dwight Stambolian, Po-Ru Loh, William G Iacono, Anand Swaroop, Laura J Scott, Francesco Cucca, Florian Kronenberg, Michael Boehnke, Gonçalo R Abecasis ✉ & Christian Fuchsberger ✉

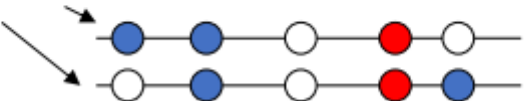
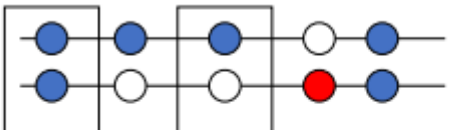
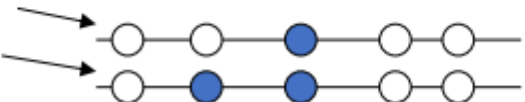
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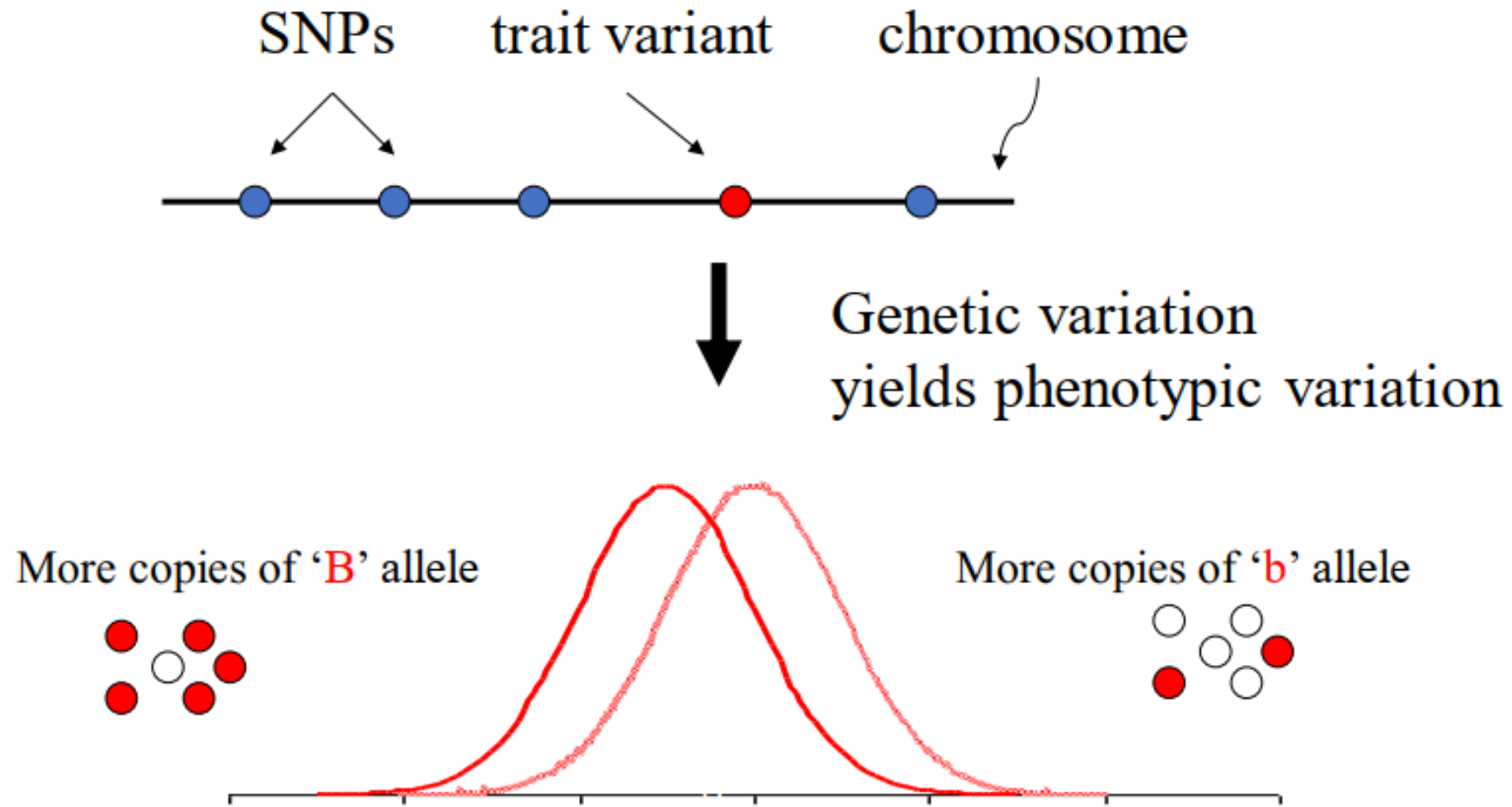
Definitions



Population Data

	Affection	Trait ₁ ...	Trait _n
haplotypes 	A	10.3	75.66
genotypes 	A	9.9	-99
alleles 	U	15.8	101.22

Allelic Associations



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