

Detection and replication of epistasis influencing transcription in humans

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Abstract

Epistasis is the phenomenon whereby one polymorphism’s effect on a trait depends on other polymorphisms present in the genome. The extent to which epistasis influences complex traits¹ and contributes to their variation^{2,3} is a fundamental question in evolution and human genetics. Though epistasis has been demonstrated in artificial gene manipulation studies in model organisms,^{4,5} and some examples have been reported in other species,⁶ few convincing examples exist for epistasis amongst natural polymorphisms in human traits.^{7,8} Its absence from empirical findings may simply be due to its low incidence in the genetic control of complex traits,^{2,3} but an alternative view is that it has previously been too technically challenging to detect due to statistical power and computational issues.⁹ Here we show that, using advanced computation techniques¹⁰ and a gene expression study design, many instances of epistasis are found between common single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs). In a cohort of 846 individuals with data on 7339 gene expression levels in peripheral blood, we found 501 significant pairwise epistatic interactions between common SNPs acting on the expression levels of 238 genes ($p < 2.91 \times 10^{-16}$). We tested the discovery interactions for replication in two independent data sets.^{11,12} Three hundred and forty-five interactions had replication interaction p -values that were more extreme than the 2.5% confidence interval of the distribution under the null hypothesis of no epistasis, with 30 significant at a conservative $p < 0.05$ Bonferroni level. There was evidence of functional enrichment for the interacting SNPs, for instance 44 of the genetic interactions are located within 2Mb of regions of known intra-cellular chromosome interactions¹³ ($p = 1.8 \times 10^{-10}$). Epistatic networks of three SNPs or more influence the expression levels of 129 genes, whereby one *cis*-acting SNP is modulated by several *trans*-acting SNPs. For example MBNL1 is influenced by an additive effect at rs13069559 which itself is masked by *trans*-SNPs on 14 different chromosomes, with nearly identical genotype-phenotype (GP) maps for each *cis-trans* interaction. This study presents the first evidence for multiple instances of epistatic genetic effects emerging from natural genetic variation in humans.

Main text

In the genetic analysis of complex traits it is usual for SNP effects to be estimated using an additive model where they are assumed to contribute independently and cumulatively to the mean of a trait. This framework has been successful in identifying thousands of associations,¹⁴ but to date there is little empirical exploration of the role that epistasis plays in the architecture of complex traits in humans,^{7,8} though its contribution to phenotypic variance is frequently the subject of debate.¹⁻³ Outside the prism of human association studies there is evidence for epistasis, not only at the molecular scale from artificially induced mutations⁴ but also at the evolutionary scale in fitness adaptation¹⁵ and speciation.¹⁶

Methods are now available to overcome the computational problems involved in searching for epistasis, but its detection still remains problematic due to reduced statistical power. For example increased dependence on linkage disequilibrium (LD) between causal SNPs and observed SNPs,^{17,18} increased model complexity in fitting interaction terms,¹⁹ and more extreme significance thresholds to account for increased multiple testing⁹ all make it more difficult to detect epistasis in comparison to additive effects. Thus, when combined with small genetic effect sizes, as is expected in most complex traits of interest,¹⁴ the power to detect epistasis diminishes rapidly. There are two simple ways to overcome this problem. One is by using extremely large sample sizes;²⁰ another is by analysing traits that are likely to have large effect sizes among common variants. Because our focus was to ascertain the extent to which instances of epistasis occur amongst natural genetic variation we designed a study around the latter approach and searched for epistatic genetic effects that influence gene expression levels. Transcription levels can be measured for thousands of genes. These traits are largely heritable but on average less polygenic than high level phenotypes,²¹ thus many genetic effects are relatively large, maximising the chance at detecting epistasis, should it exist.

In our discovery dataset (Brisbane Systems Genetics Study, BSGS²²) of 846 individuals genotyped at 528,509 SNPs, we exhaustively tested every pair of SNPs for genetic interactions against each of 7339 expression traits in peripheral blood. After stringent filtering and multiple testing correction (Methods) we identified 501 putative genetic interactions influencing the expression levels of 238 genes (Supplementary Table 4). Of the 501 discovery interactions, 434 had available data and passed filtering (Methods) in two independent replication datasets, Fehrmann¹² and the Estonian Genomics Centre University of Tartu (EGCUT),¹¹ in which we saw convincing evidence for replication. We used the summary statistics from the replication datasets to perform a meta analysis to obtain an independent p -value for the putative interactions, and 30 were significant after applying a Bonferroni correction for multiple testing (Table 1). These significant interactions exhibited remarkable similarity in GP maps between all three datasets (Figure 2).

In addition, using the meta analysis from the replication samples only, we observed that 316 of the remaining 404 discovery SNPs had replication interaction p -values more extreme than the 2.5% confidence interval of the distribution under the null distribution of no epistatic effects ($p < 1.0 \times 10^{-16}$, Figure 3 and Supplementary Figure S1). The congruence of the epistatic networks in discovery and replication datasets is shown in Figure 1, demonstrating that these complex genetic patterns are common even across independent datasets. A further replication was attempted using the Centre for Health Discovery and Wellbeing (CHDWB) dataset,²³ but only 27 of the SNP pairs passed filtering because the sample size was small ($n = 139$), and likely due to insufficient power we found no evidence for replication. It should be noted that although it is a necessary step to establish the veracity of the signals from the discovery set, replication of epistasis is difficult in practice because the dependence on LD between observed SNPs and causal variants is up to three orders of magnitude

higher than it is for independent additive effects.^{17,18} Therefore these results are encouraging with regards to the detection and replication of epistasis.

Though seldom the focus of association studies, SNPs with known main effects are often tested for additive \times additive genetic interactions,⁹ but our analysis shows that this is unlikely to be the most effective strategy for its detection. The majority of our discovery interactions comprised of one SNP that was significantly associated with the gene expression level in the discovery dataset, and one SNP that had no previous association²¹ (439 out of 501, Methods). Only nine interactions were between SNPs that both had known main effects while 64 were between SNPs that had no known main effects. Additionally, we observed that the largest epistatic variance component for the 501 interactions was equally divided amongst additive \times additive, additive \times dominance, dominance \times additive and dominance \times dominance at the discovery stage ($p = 0.22$ for departure from expectation). This is not surprising because the patterns of epistasis used for statistical decomposition are not designed to resemble biological function.²⁴

Of the discovery interactions, 47 were *cis-cis* acting (both SNPs were on the same chromosome as the expression gene), 441 were *cis-trans*-acting, and 13 were *trans-trans*-acting. We observed a wide range of significant GP maps (Figure 2) but the most common pattern of epistasis that we detected involved a *trans*-SNP masking the effect of an additive *cis*-SNP. For example, MBNL1 (involved in RNA modification and regulation of splicing²⁵) has a *cis* effect at rs13069559 which in turn is controlled by 13 *trans*-SNPs and one *cis*-SNP that each exhibit a masking pattern, such that when the *trans*-SNP is homozygous for the masking allele the decreasing allele of the *cis*-SNP no longer has an effect (Supplementary Figure S5). Each of these interactions have evidence for replication in at least one dataset and six are significant at the Bonferroni level (Supplementary Figure S2). We see similar epistatic networks involving multiple (eight or more) *trans*-acting SNPs for other gene expression levels too, for example TMEM149 (Supplementary Figure S6), NAPRT1 (Supplementary Figure S7), TRAPPC5 (Supplementary Figure S8), and CAST (Supplementary Figure S9). We observed that from pedigree analysis these five gene expression phenotypes had non-additive variance component estimates within the 95th percentile of the 17,994 gene expression phenotypes that were analysed previously²¹ (Supplementary Table S2, Methods).

In total the 501 interactions comprised 781 unique SNPs, which we analysed for functional enrichment (Methods). We tested the SNPs for cell-type specific overlap with transcriptionally active chromatin regions, tagged by histone-3-lysine-4,3-methylation (H3K4me3) chromatin marks, in 34 cell types²⁶ (Supplementary Figure S4). There was significant enrichment for *cis*-acting SNPs in haematopoietic cell types only ($p < 1 \times 10^{-4}$ for the three tissues with the strongest enrichment after adjusting for multiple testing). However *trans*-acting SNPs did not show any tissue specific enrichment ($p > 0.1$ for all tissues). This difference between *cis* and *trans* SNPs suggests different roles in epistatic interactions where the *cis*-SNPs provide tissue specificity in these interactions. There is also strong enrichment for SNPs to be localised in enhancer regions,²⁷

consistent for both *cis* and *trans* SNPs ($p < 1 \times 10^{-6}$).

We also demonstrate spacial organisation of interacting loci suggesting a mechanism by which biological function can lead to epistatic genetic variance. It has been shown that different chromosomal regions spatially colocalise in the cell through chromatin interactions.¹³ We cross-referenced our epistatic SNPs with a map of chromosome interacting regions ($n = 96,139$) in K562 blood cell lines²⁸ (Methods) and found that 44 epistatic interactions mapped to within 2Mb ($p < 1.8 \times 10^{-10}$), (Supplementary Figure S10). Interaction of distant loci may occur through physical proximity in transcriptional factories that organise across different chromosome regions and can regulate transcription of related genes.^{29,30}

Though we present many instances of epistasis, quantifying its relative importance to complex traits in humans remains an open question. In this study we are able to identify 238 gene expression traits with at least one significant interaction given our experiment-wide threshold. How does this compare to the number of traits influenced by additive effects? The BSGS dataset has been previously analysed for additive effects at all expression traits,²² and if we take all the additive eQTLs that were significant at the epistatic threshold of $p < 2.91 \times 10^{-16}$ we find that 453 gene expression levels out of the 7339 analysed had at least one significant expression quantitative trait locus (eQTL). Therefore it can be argued that the number of instances of detectable epistasis are substantial.

However in terms of their contribution to complex traits a more important metric might be the proportion of the variance that the epistatic loci explain.² Ideally one would approach this question from a whole genome perspective³¹ but this is intractable for non-additive variance components. Nevertheless, some inference can be made from the ascertained effects in these analyses and it is evident that additive variance is overall a larger component than epistatic variance, as has been argued previously.^{2,3} Taking the additive effects detected in Powell *et al* (2012) at the $p < 2.91 \times 10^{-16}$ threshold, we calculate that on average they explain 1.73% of the phenotypic variance of each of the 7339 probes. By contrast, the epistatic variance from the interacting SNPs detected in this study on average explain 0.25% of phenotypic variance, approximately seven times lower than the additive variance. If we use the effect estimates taken from the Fehrmann or EGCUT datasets to perform the same comparison we obtain ratios of additive to epistatic variance of 36:1 and 34:1, respectively (Supplementary Figure S12, Methods). There are several caveats to this comparison. Firstly, the ratio of additive to epistatic variance may differ at different effect sizes, and our estimate is determined by the threshold used. Secondly, the power of a 1 *d.f.* test exceeds that of an 8 *d.f.* test. And thirdly, the non-additive variance at causal variants is expected to be underestimated by observed SNPs in comparison to estimates for additive variance, due to differences in the rate of decay of the estimate of the genetic variance of the causal SNPs as LD decreases with the observed SNPs.

Overall, we have demonstrated that it is possible to identify and replicate epistasis in complex traits amongst common human variants, despite the rela-

tive contribution of pairwise epistasis to phenotypic variation being small. The bioinformatic analysis of the significant epistatic loci suggests that there are a large number of possible mechanisms that can lead to non-additive genetic variation. Further research into such epistatic effects may provide a useful framework to understanding molecular mechanisms and complex trait variation in greater detail. With computational techniques and data now widely available the search for epistasis in larger datasets for traits of broader interest is warranted.

Methods Summary

We searched for pairwise epistasis exhaustively in the BSGS discovery dataset,²² which comprises 846 individuals who are genotyped at 528,509 autosomal SNPs and who have gene expression levels measured in peripheral blood samples for 7,339 probes representing 6,158 RefSeq genes. Recent hardware and software¹⁰ advances that use graphics processing units (GPUs) made it possible to perform the 1.03×10^{15} statistical tests to complete this analysis. We used permutation analysis³² to calculate an experiment-wide significance threshold of $T_e = 2.91 \times 10^{-16}$ at the 5% family-wise error rate (FWER). SNP pairs were modelled for full genetic effects, including marginal additive and dominance at both SNPs plus four interaction terms. Though we could have used a less complex model to improve statistical efficiency, we deemed it important to be agnostic about the type of epistasis that might exist, and therefore chose not to over-parameterise the test.^{18,19} Because there are many large marginal effects present in these data it was necessary to perform several filtering steps to exclude SNP pairs that were significant due to marginal effects alone. All SNP pairs with LD $r^2 > 0.1$ and $D'^2 > 0.1$ were removed to minimise the possibility of haplotype effects. All SNP pairs were required to have at least five data points in all nine genotype classes. If multiple SNP pairs were present on the same chromosomes for a particular expression trait then only the sentinel SNP pair was retained. Finally, a nested test contrasting the full genetic model against the marginal additive and dominance model was performed for each remaining SNP pair (Methods), resulting in 501 significant interactions after Bonferroni correction for multiple testing of the filtered SNPs. The significant SNP pairs were carried forward for replication in two independent datasets that used the same expression assays for analysing transcription in peripheral blood, the Fehrman dataset¹² ($n = 1240$) and the Estonian Genome Centre University of the University of Tartu (EGCUT) dataset¹¹ ($n = 891$). Of these, 434 passed filtering in both replication datasets. A meta analysis on the interaction p -values from each replication dataset was performed to provide an overall replication statistic for each putative interaction.

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1 Tables

Table 1: Epistatic interactions significant at the Bonferroni level in two replication sets

	Gene (chr.)	SNP 1 (chr.)	SNP 2 (chr.)	BSGS ²	Fehrmann ³	EGCUT ³	Meta ⁴
1	ADK (10)	rs2395095 (10)	rs10824092 (10)	6.69 ¹	18.33 ¹	21.21 ¹	39.82 ¹
2	ATP13A1 (19)	rs4284750 (19)	rs873870 (19)	5.30	12.18	3.25	14.23
3	C21ORF57 (21)	rs9978658 (21)	rs11701361 (21)	9.42	6.08	16.36	21.67
4	CSTB (21)	rs9979356 (21)	rs3761385 (21)	11.99	25.20	16.72	42.27
5	CTSC (11)	rs7930237 (11)	rs556895 (11)	7.16	18.76	15.06	33.53
6	FN3KRP (17)	rs898095 (17)	rs9892064 (17)	16.16	28.24	29.39	59.95
7	GAA (17)	rs11150847 (17)	rs12602462 (17)	13.91	19.98	12.99	32.60
8	HNRPH1 (5)	rs6894268 (5)	rs4700810 (5)	15.38	8.55	3.01	10.37
9	LAX1 (1)	rs1891432 (1)	rs10900520 (1)	19.16	18.60	11.22	29.24
10	MBNL1 (3)	rs16864367 (3)	rs13079208 (3)	13.49	16.25	24.74	41.56
11	MBNL1 (3)	rs7710738 (5)	rs13069559 (3)	7.92	2.55	7.89	9.28
12	MBNL1 (3)	rs2030926 (6)	rs13069559 (3)	7.10	0.91	5.80	5.53
13	MBNL1 (3)	rs2614467 (14)	rs13069559 (3)	5.74	4.13	2.22	5.30
14	MBNL1 (3)	rs218671 (17)	rs13069559 (3)	7.63	0.62	5.82	5.23
15	MBNL1 (3)	rs11981513 (7)	rs13069559 (3)	7.71	0.43	5.36	4.58
16	MBP (18)	rs8092433 (18)	rs4890876 (18)	5.40	7.06	21.91	28.73
17	NAPRT1 (8)	rs2123758 (8)	rs3889129 (8)	8.45	15.12	16.08	30.77
18	NCL (2)	rs7563453 (2)	rs4973397 (2)	7.31	7.51	6.33	12.70
19	PRMT2 (21)	rs2839372 (21)	rs11701058 (21)	4.81	0.69	4.47	4.06
20	RPL13 (16)	rs352935 (16)	rs2965817 (16)	4.98	3.79	14.41	17.24
21	SNORD14A (11)	rs2634462 (11)	rs6486334 (11)	7.31	13.11	10.96	23.22
22	TMEM149 (19)	rs807491 (19)	rs7254601 (19)	12.16	81.55	45.78	145.78
23	TMEM149 (19)	rs8106959 (19)	rs6926382 (6)	5.80	3.06	8.80	10.72
24	TMEM149 (19)	rs8106959 (19)	rs914940 (1)	6.22	3.36	6.96	9.20
25	TMEM149 (19)	rs8106959 (19)	rs2351458 (4)	7.30	0.04	9.61	8.00
26	TMEM149 (19)	rs8106959 (19)	rs6718480 (2)	8.55	3.31	5.15	7.36
27	TMEM149 (19)	rs8106959 (19)	rs1843357 (8)	6.21	3.72	3.33	6.00
28	TMEM149 (19)	rs8106959 (19)	rs9509428 (13)	9.44	0.10	5.75	4.47
29	TRA2A (7)	rs7776572 (7)	rs11770192 (7)	8.23	3.19	1.89	4.09
30	VASP (19)	rs1264226 (19)	rs2276470 (19)	5.09	0.94	5.14	4.95

¹ $-\log_{10} p$ -values for 4 *d.f.* interaction tests

² Discovery dataset

³ Independent replication dataset

⁴ Meta analysis of interaction terms between replication datasets only

2 Figures

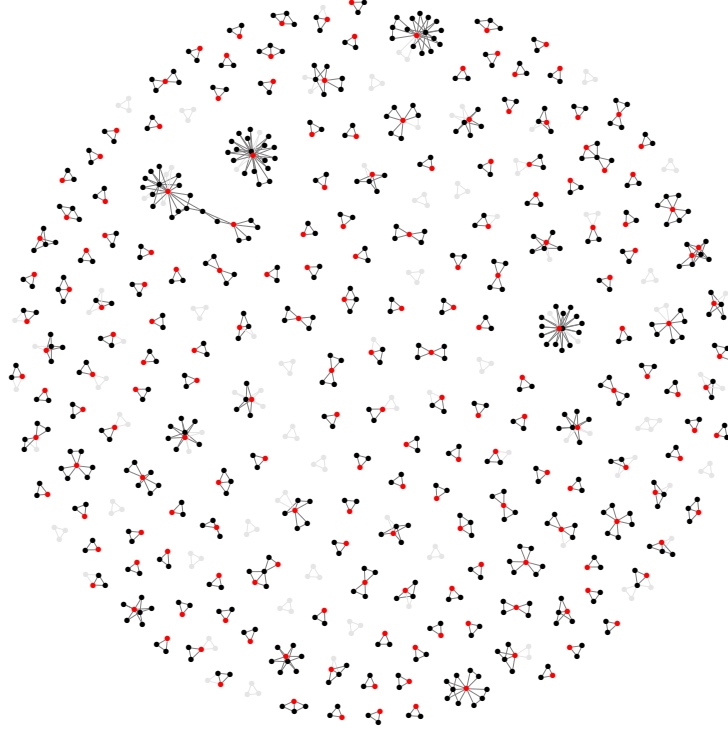


Figure 1: **Discovery and replication of epistatic networks** All 434 putative genetic interactions (edges) with data common to discovery and replication sets is shown, where black nodes represent SNPs and red nodes represent traits (gene expression probes). Three hundred and forty-five interactions had p -values exceeding the 2.5% confidence interval following meta analysis of the replication data, but the remaining 89 interactions that did not replicate are depicted in grey. It is evident that a large proportion of the complex networks identified in the discovery set also exist in independent populations.

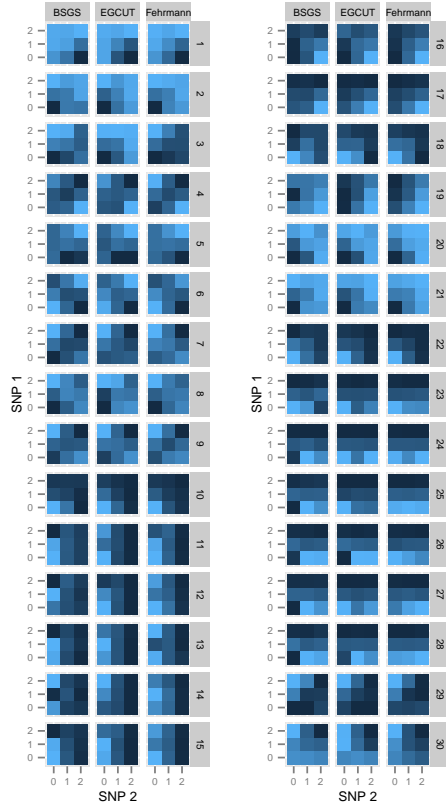


Figure 2: Replication of GP maps in two independent populations
The GP maps for each epistatic interaction that is significant at the Bonferroni level in both replication datasets are shown. Each GP map consists of nine tiles where each tile represents the expression level for that two-locus genotype class. Phenotypes are for gene transcript levels (dark coloured tiles = high expression, light coloured tiles = low expression). Columns of GP maps are for each independent population. Rows of GP maps are for each of 30 significantly replicated interactions at the Bonferroni level, corresponding to the rows in Table 1. There is a clear trend of the GP maps replicating across all three datasets.

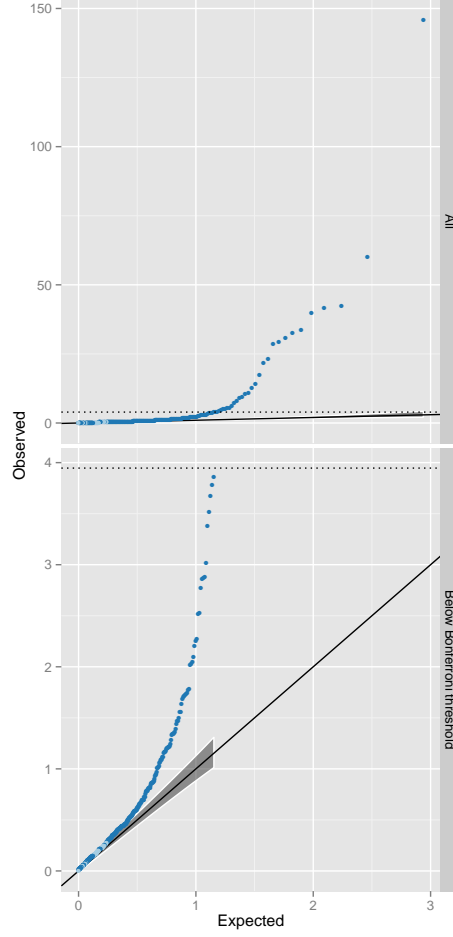


Figure 3: **Q-Q plots of interaction p -values from replication datasets** The top panel shows all 434 discovery SNPs that were tested for interactions. Observed p -values (y -axis, $-\log_{10}$ scale) are plotted against the expected p -values (x -axis, $-\log_{10}$ scale). The multiple testing correction threshold for significance following Bonferroni correction is denoted by a dotted line. The bottom panel shows the same data as the top panel but excluding the 30 interactions that were significant at the Bonferroni level in the replication datasets. The shaded grey area represents the 5% confidence interval for the expected distribution of p -values. Dark blue points represent p -values that exceed the confidence interval, light blue are within the confidence interval.

3 Supplementary Figures

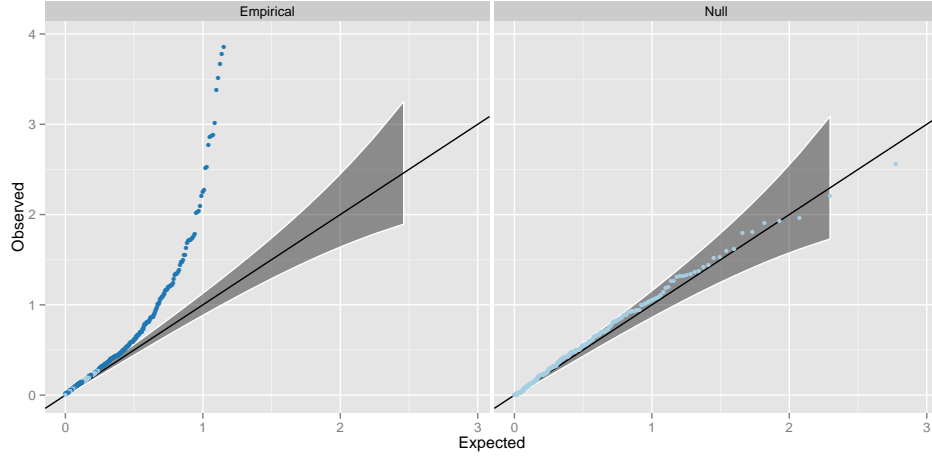


Figure S1: **Q-Q plots of interaction p -values from replication datasets, excluding the 30 points significant at the Bonferroni level** The right panel (Null) shows the interaction p -values from a meta analysis across two independent datasets on 434 randomly drawn SNP pairs. The left panel (Empirical) shows the interaction p -values from the 404 putative interactions that were not significant at the Bonferroni correction threshold. Dark blue points represent p -values that surpass the 2.5% FDR level, as in Figure 3.

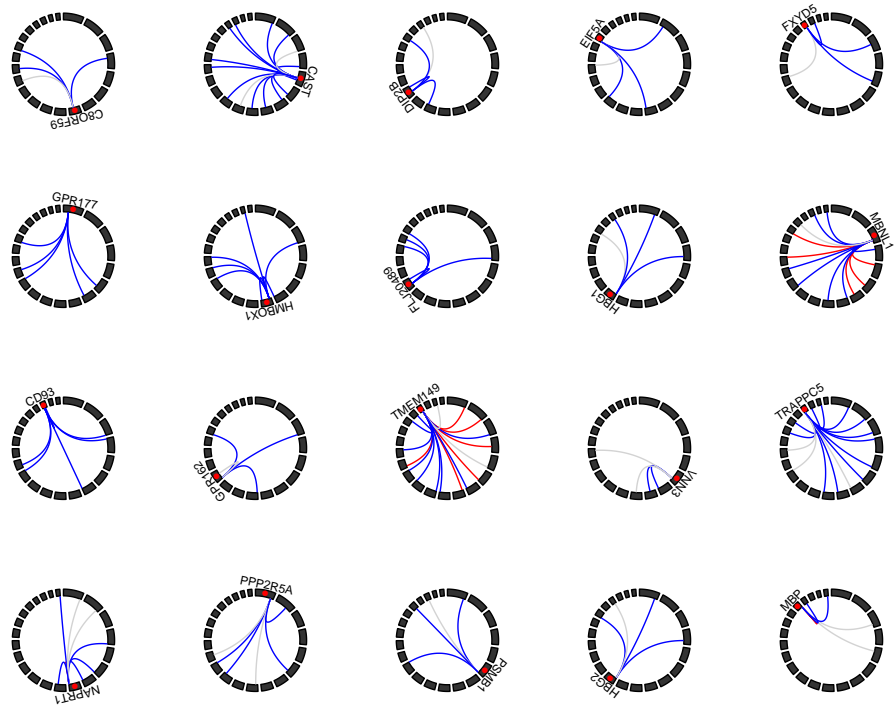


Figure S2: **Gene expression traits with four or more genetic interactions** Circle plots represent the genomic positions for SNPs (linking lines) and expression probes (red points). Chromosomes are represented by black blocks and ordered from 1 to 22 clockwise, starting from the top. Grey lines represent no evidence for replication, blue lines denote interactions that are outside the 97.5% confidence interval or the Q-Q plot (Figure 3), and red lines denote replication at the Bonferroni correction level. Most interactions are characterised as being *cis-trans* to the expression probe.

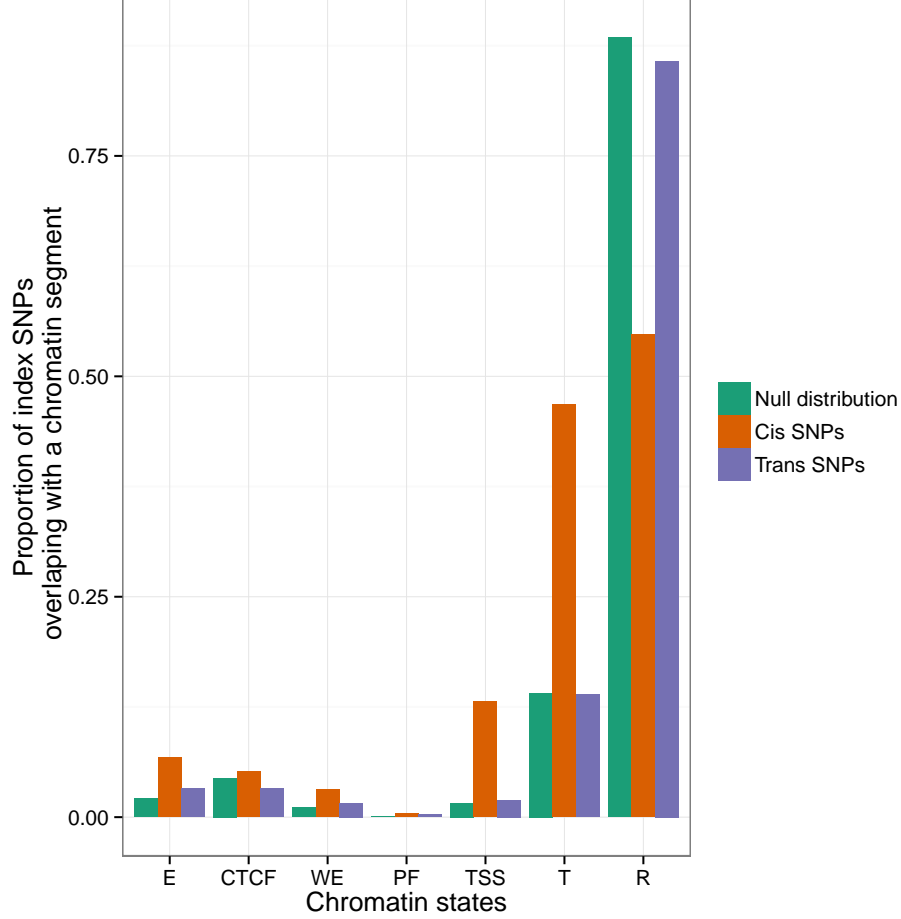


Figure S3: Location of SNPs relative to genomic features All SNPs within 1Mb and $r^2 > 0.8$ of each *cis*- and *trans*-SNP were taken to find which genomic features (*x*-axis) were covered by the SNPs that compose the 501 significant interactions. Green bars represent the proportion (*y*-axis) of the 528,509 SNPs used in the analysis that fall within the range of the different genomic features. There is enrichment for *cis*-acting SNPs (red bars) in promotor regions, but *trans*-acting SNPs (blue bars) are not enriched for genomic features. The labels on the *x*-axis are as follows: E = Predicted enhancer, CTCF = CTCF enriched element, WE = Predicted weak enhancer or open chromatin *cis* regulatory element, PF = Predicted promoter flanking region, TSS = Predicted promoter region including transcriptional start site, T = Predicted transcribed region, R = Predicted Repressed or Low Activity region

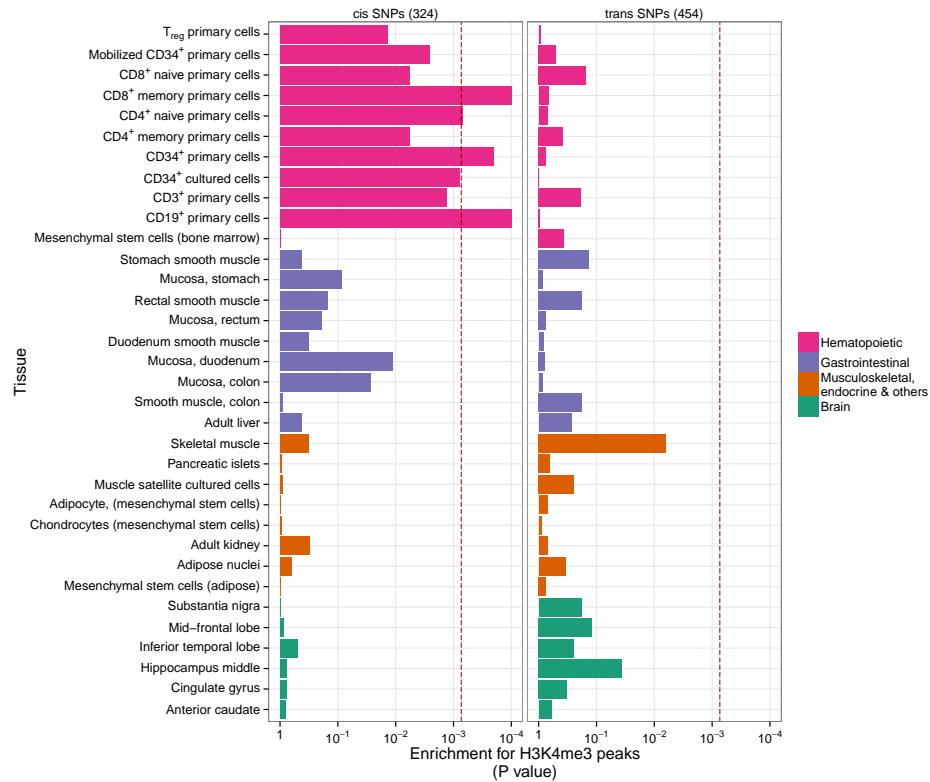


Figure S4: Tissue specific enrichment of SNPs in transcriptionally active regions The locations of transcriptional activity can be predicted by chromatin marks, assayed by H3K4me3.²⁶ Enrichment *p*-values are calculated using permutation analysis for 34 different cell types (*y*-axis) in four tissue types (Rows of boxes). There is enrichment for *cis*-acting SNPs in Haematopoietic tissue types only. *Trans*-acting SNPs have no tissue specificity.

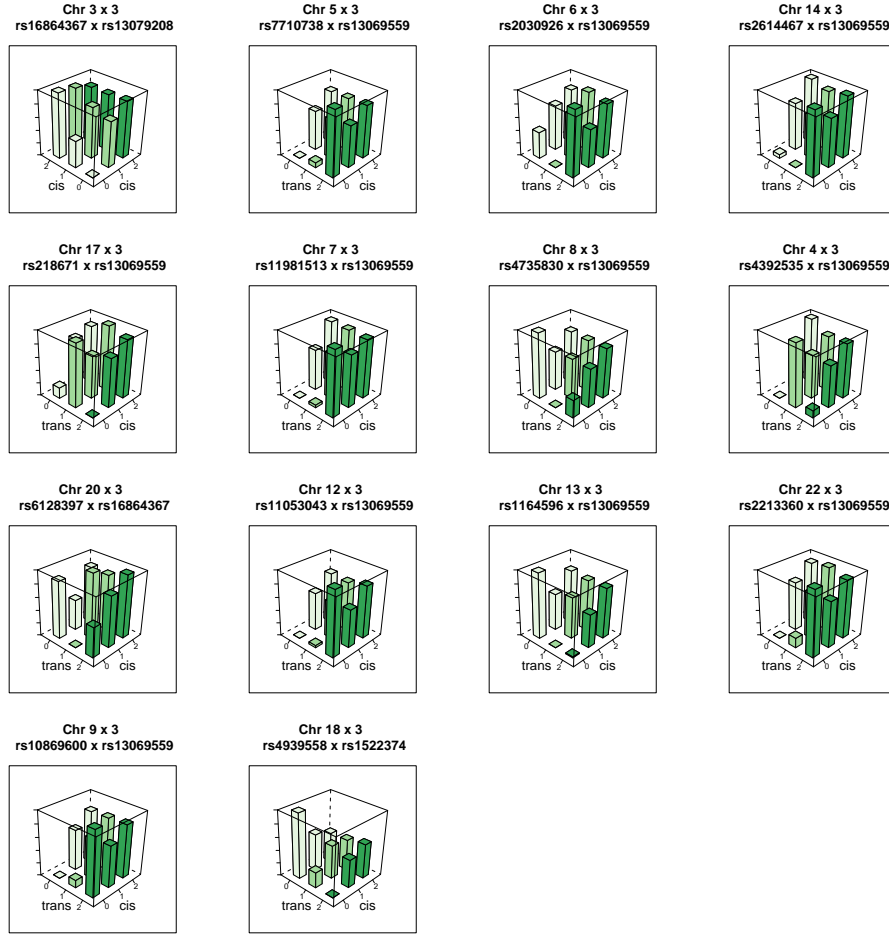


Figure S5: **Genotype-phenotype maps for 14 interactions influencing the expression of MBNL1** Each bar represents the mean phenotypic value for individuals in that genotype class. The rs13069559 SNP typically has a *cis*-additive decreasing effect on the expression of MBNL1, but in many of these interactions the *cis* effect is masked when the *trans* SNP is homozygous.

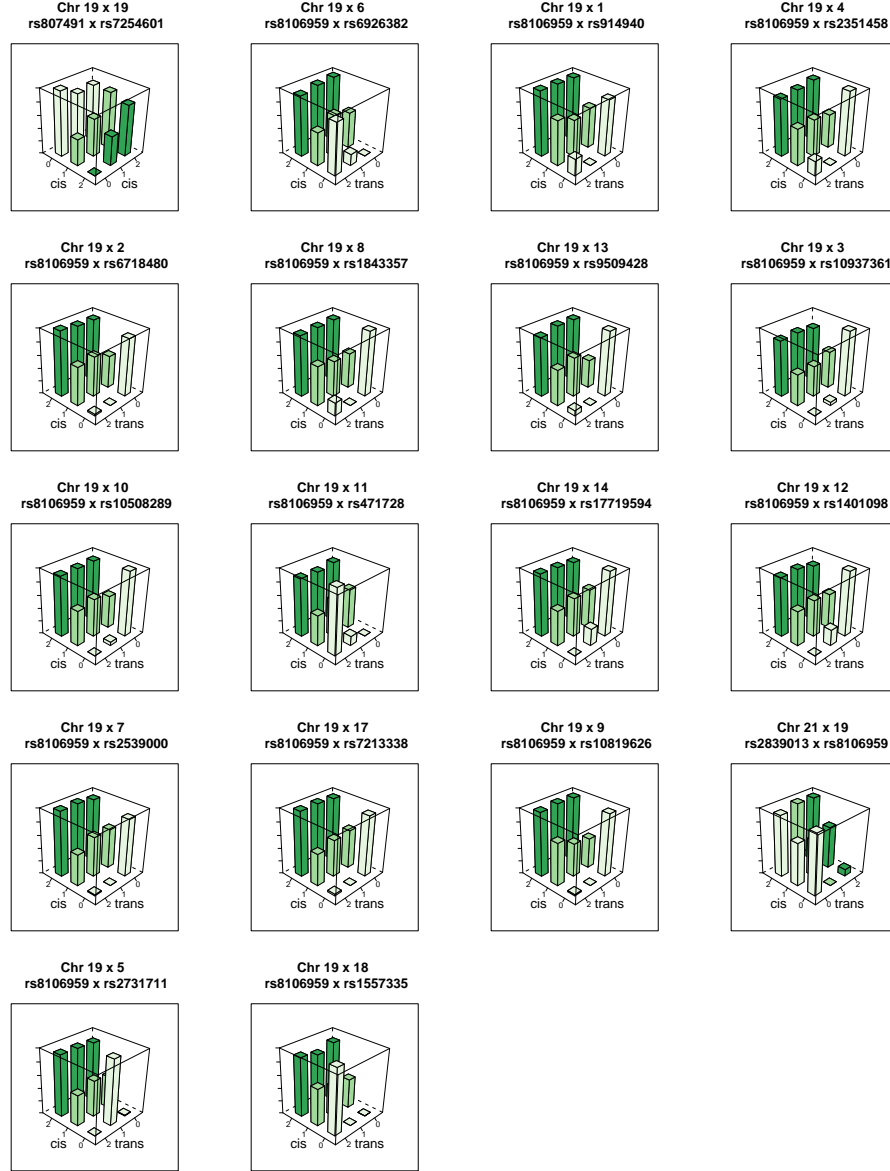


Figure S6: **Genotype-phenotype maps for 19 interactions influencing the expression of TMEM149** Each bar represents the mean phenotypic value for individuals in that genotype class. The rs13069559 SNP typically has a *cis*-additive decreasing effect on the expression of TMEM149, but in many of these interactions the *cis* effect is masked when the *trans* SNP is homozygous.

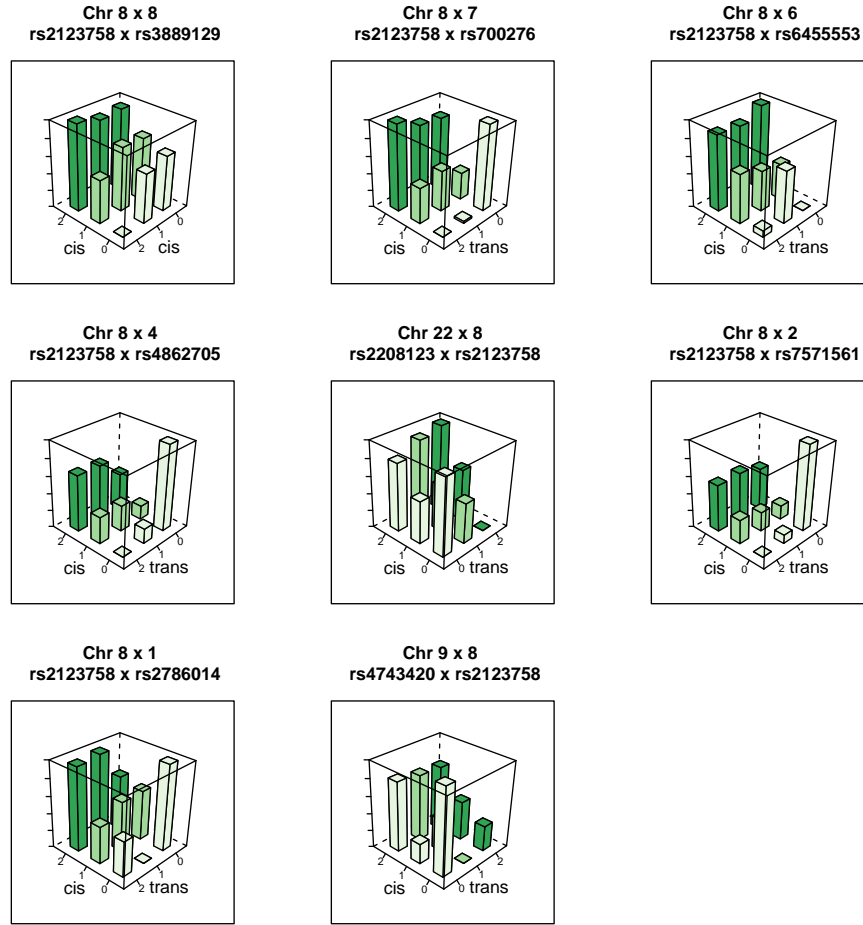


Figure S7: **Genotype-phenotype maps for 8 interactions influencing the expression of NAPRT1** Each bar represents the mean phenotypic value for individuals in that genotype class.

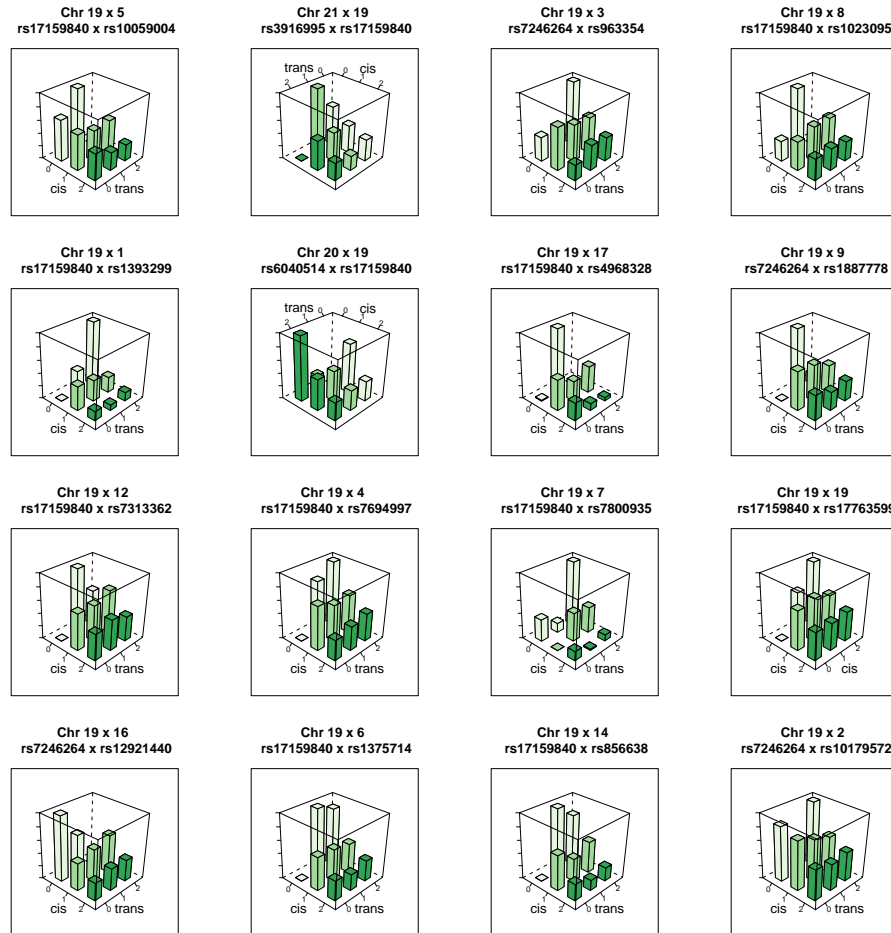


Figure S8: **Genotype-phenotype maps for 16 interactions influencing the expression of TRAPPC5** Each bar represents the mean phenotypic value for individuals in that genotype class.

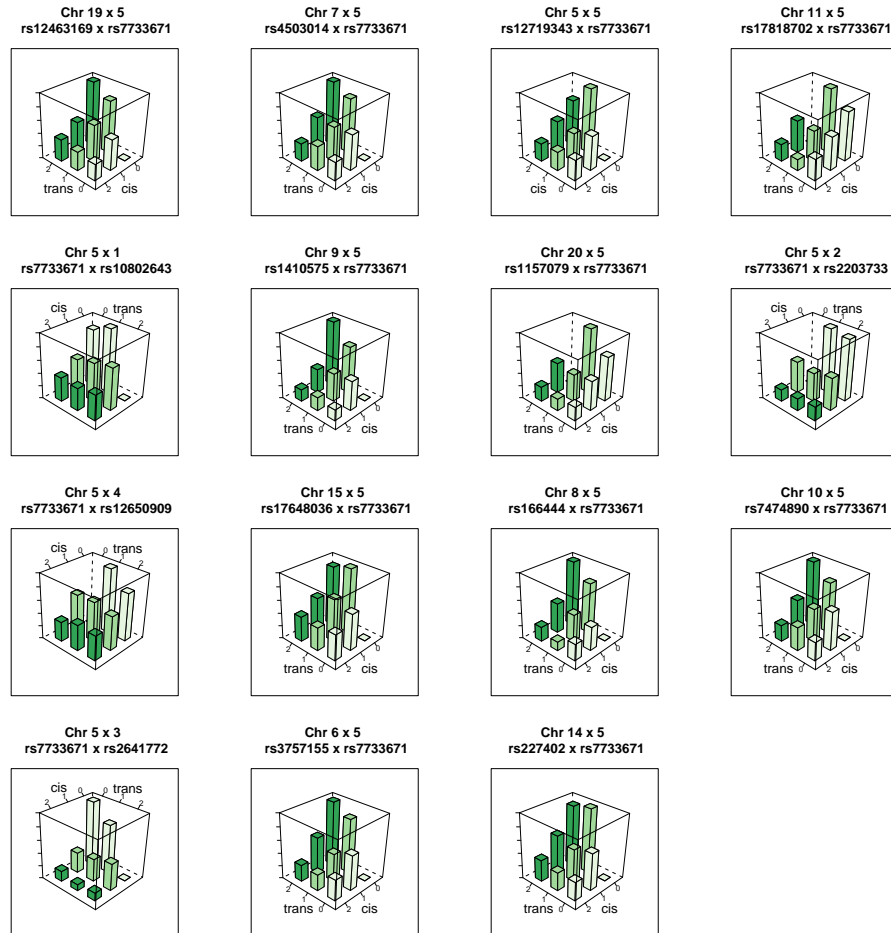


Figure S9: **Genotype-phenotype maps for 15 interactions influencing the expression of CAST** Each bar represents the mean phenotypic value for individuals in that genotype class.

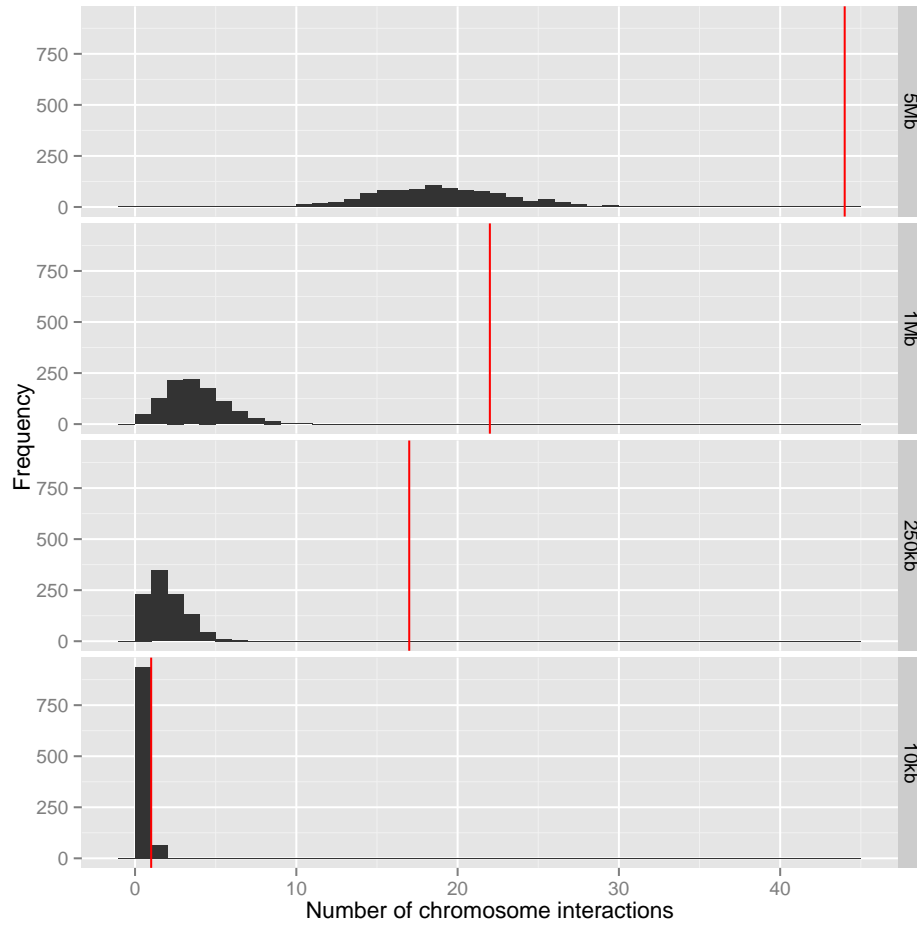


Figure S10: Number of overlaps between chromosome interactions and epistatic interactions Interacting chromosome regions may be a possible mechanism underlying epistatic interactions. The number of epistatic interactions within 20kb, 500kb, 2Mb and 10Mb of known chromosome interacting regions are shown by red vertical lines. The histograms represent the null distribution based on random sampling of 10,000 datasets for each window size.

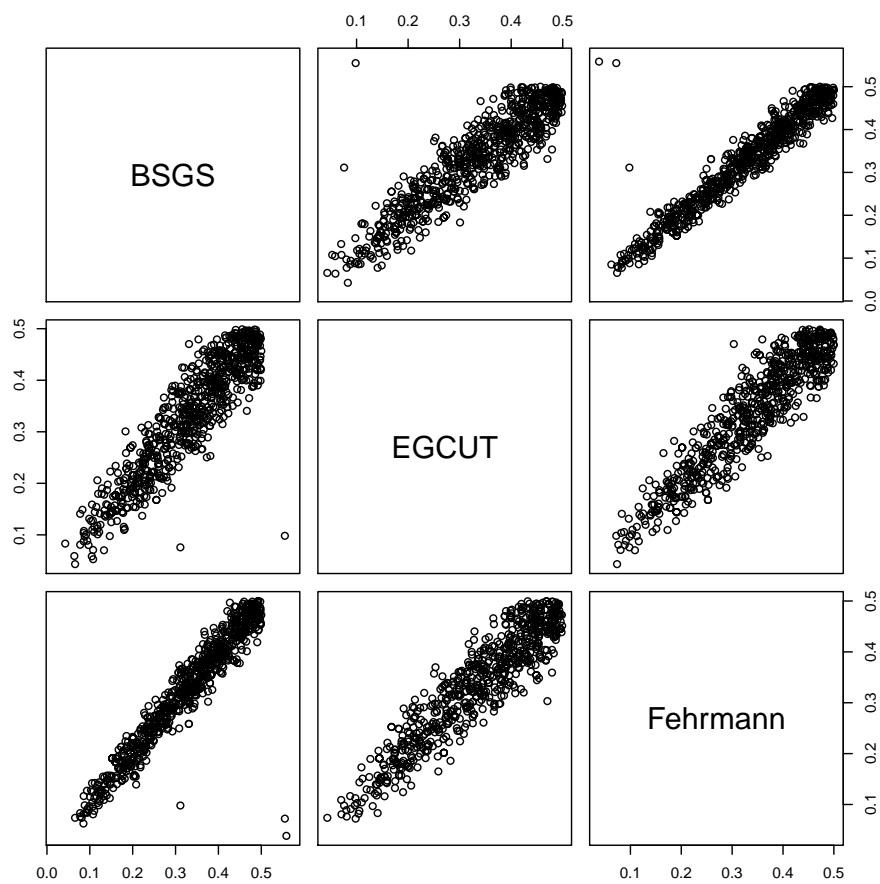


Figure S11: **Comparison of allele frequencies for 781 SNPs involved in genetic interactions across independent populations** Outliers were removed from the analysis as part of the filtering stage during replication.

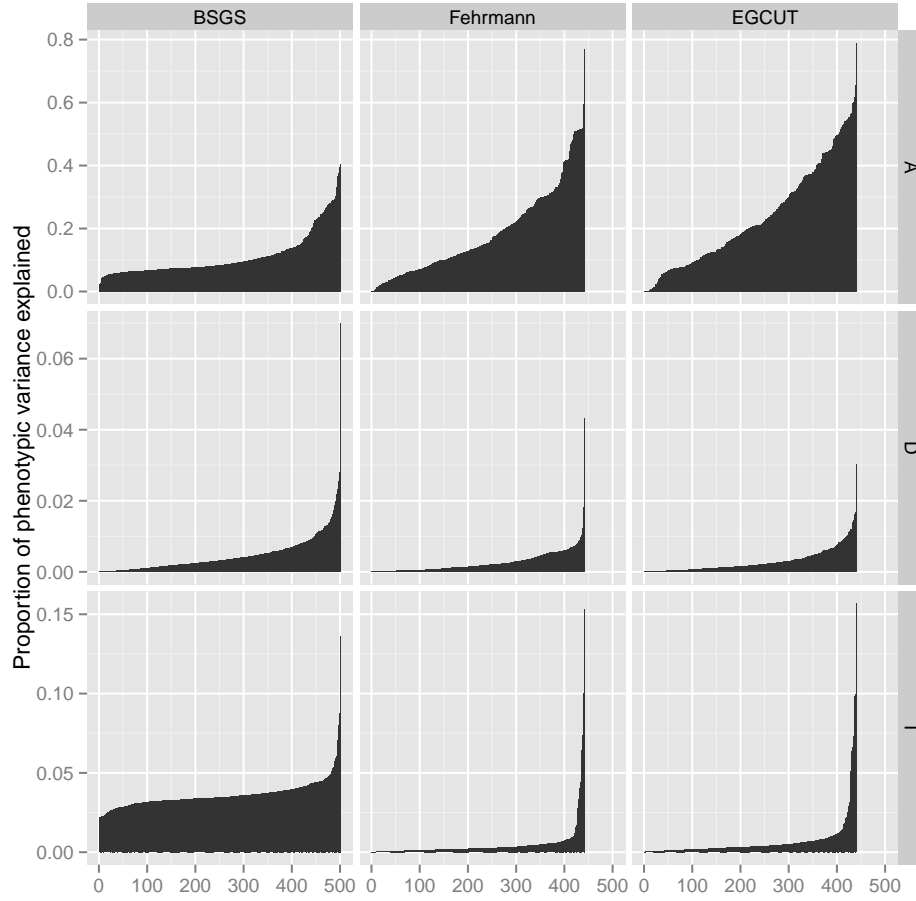


Figure S12: Comparison of variance explained by additive, dominant and epistatic effects from different cohorts How does the estimated variance decomposition change in different cohorts? The proportion of the phenotypic variance that is additive (A), dominant (D), or epistatic (I) for each putative interaction is shown on the y -axis (Note: different scales for each row). BSGS has 501 interactions whereas Fehrmann and EGCUT have 434 (x -axis). The variance estimates in each plot are ordered from lowest additive to highest. This is done independently for each cohort to depict the distribution of estimated effects.

4 Supplementary Tables

Gene ID ^a	Expression trait	Chr.		SNP 1		SNP 2		Interaction statistic / $-\log_{10} p$ -values		Distance / Mb		
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CARD9	ILMN.1712532	9	139289825	INPP5E			82128660		5.81			
CARD9	ILMN.1712532	11	6026661			9	139266496	INPP5E	6.61	0.09	0.86	0.42
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	rs11698155	20	5063214		rs2395803	6	42158596	MRPS10	7.48	0.46	0.70	0.64
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	rs178375	15	31215935		rs12431444	14	42068689	MRPS10	6.21	0.41	0.25	0.28
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	rs10134030	14	61593110		rs130120	21	29363604		5.83	0.11	0.50	0.23
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UBASH3A	LMN-2338348	21	rs1893592	21	43855067	UBASH3A	rs7512594	1	214514361		6.01	0.48	1.29	1.10	
USP36	LMN-1697227	17	rs2279308	17	76794981	USP36	rs7225546	17	75151717		5.71	0.03	0.14	0.03	1.643
VASP	LMN-1743646	19	rs1264226	19	40063167		rs2276470	19	45974668	VNN2	5.09	0.94	5.14	4.95	0.088
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VNN2	LMN-1678939	6	rs13044386	20	9116155		rs1883617	6	133072650	VNN2	5.44	0.39	0.69	0.57	
VNN2	LMN-1678939	6	rs134447	22	49927332		rs1883617	6	133072650	VNN2	5.72				
VNN3	LMN-1678939	6	rs216495	11	16834510		rs1883617	6	133072650	VNN2	5.77	0.33	0.19	0.19	
VNN3	LMN-1678939	6	rs10278073	7	151662184		rs2267932	6	133067782	VNN3	6.44	0.16	0.74	0.41	
VNN3	LMN-1804935	6	rs1443946	8	73006453		rs2267932	6	133067782	VNN3	5.74	0.23	0.48	0.31	
VNN3	LMN-1804935	6	rs348462	9	75547169		rs2267952	6	133067782	VNN3	6.44	0.31	0.17	0.17	
VNN3	LMN-1804935	6	rs7157055	14	83262064		rs2267952	6	133067782	VNN3	5.82	0.03	0.19	0.04	
VNN3	LMN-2387680	6	rs2823165	21	5694253		rs2267952	6	133067782	VNN3	6.12	0.73	1.15	1.21	
VNN3	LMN-2387680	6	rs9596457	13	51692548		rs2267952	6	133067782	VNN3	4.83	0.46	0.05	0.16	
VSTM1	LMN-1763455	19	rs10500316	19	54553697	VSTM1	rs4552100	18	71024750		5.60	0.53	0.54	0.57	
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WDR48	LMN-1763455	3	rs9628570	22	30261219		rs6778963	3	39091812	WDR48	5.88	0.09	0.33	0.09	
WDR48	LMN-1762103	3	rs1388935	4	18827822		rs833349	3	39067925	WDR48	6.34	0.57	1.35	1.22	
WDR48	LMN-1762103	3	rs1887778	9	134635088	RAPGEF1	rs7619193	3	39044116	WDR48	5.85	0.18	0.61	0.35	
WDR6	LMN-1762103	3	rs9554833	13	102624790		rs7619193	3	39044116	WDR6	5.86	1.64	1.43	2.25	
WDR6	LMN-1669484	3	rs12362253	11	123571708		rs17715581	15	49194351		5.86	2.38	0.17	1.63	
XAF1	LMN-2330573	17	rs1535031	21	6073170	XAF1	rs12591171	15	93119799		5.79	0.67	0.36	0.15	
ZFP90	LMN-1684628	16	rs9064476	16	37040648		rs182968	16	68573945	ZFP90	5.79	0.09	0.36	0.15	
ZNF500	LMN-1700238	16	rs4282723	22	48283177		rs2290560	16	4799041	ZNF500	5.29	0.67	0.27	0.46	
ZYX	LMN-1701875	7	rs6056281	20	8935312		rs2242601	7	143093824	ZYX	6.04	0.26	0.01	0.05	

^a Phenotypes are expression levels of RefSeq Genes^b Illumina probe ID used to measure gene expression^c Physical SNP position in base pairs (HG19)^d RefSeq Gene ID of gene expression level that is influenced by the SNP (BSGS discovery dataset, significance threshold = 1.29 × 10⁻¹¹)^e Interaction – log₁₀ p -value from discovery dataset^f Interaction – log₁₀ p -value from replication dataset^g Interaction – log₁₀ p -value from meta analysis of replication datasets only^h Distance in Mb between interacting SNPs for *cis-cis* acting SNP pairsⁱ p -values are absent if the interaction did not pass the QC filtering in the replication dataset^j Meta analysis p -values are absent if the interaction did not pass the QC filtering in either replication dataset

Table S2: **Estimation of additive and non-additive variance components from pedigree information** Taken from previous analysis in Powell et al 2013²¹

Gene	Probe	Additive		Non-additive	
		Variance	s.e.	Variance	s.e.
NAPRT1	ILMN_1710752	0.37	0.03	0.14	0.05
TMEM149	ILMN_1786426	0.41	0.04	0.09	0.04
MBNL1	ILMN_2313158	0.18	0.03	0.11	0.04
TRAPPC5	ILMN_2372639	0.32	0.04	0.13	0.05
CAST	ILMN_1717234	0.31	0.03	0.10	0.04

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