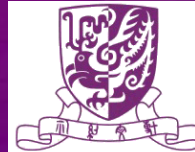


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Genomic studies in Diabetic Nephropathy

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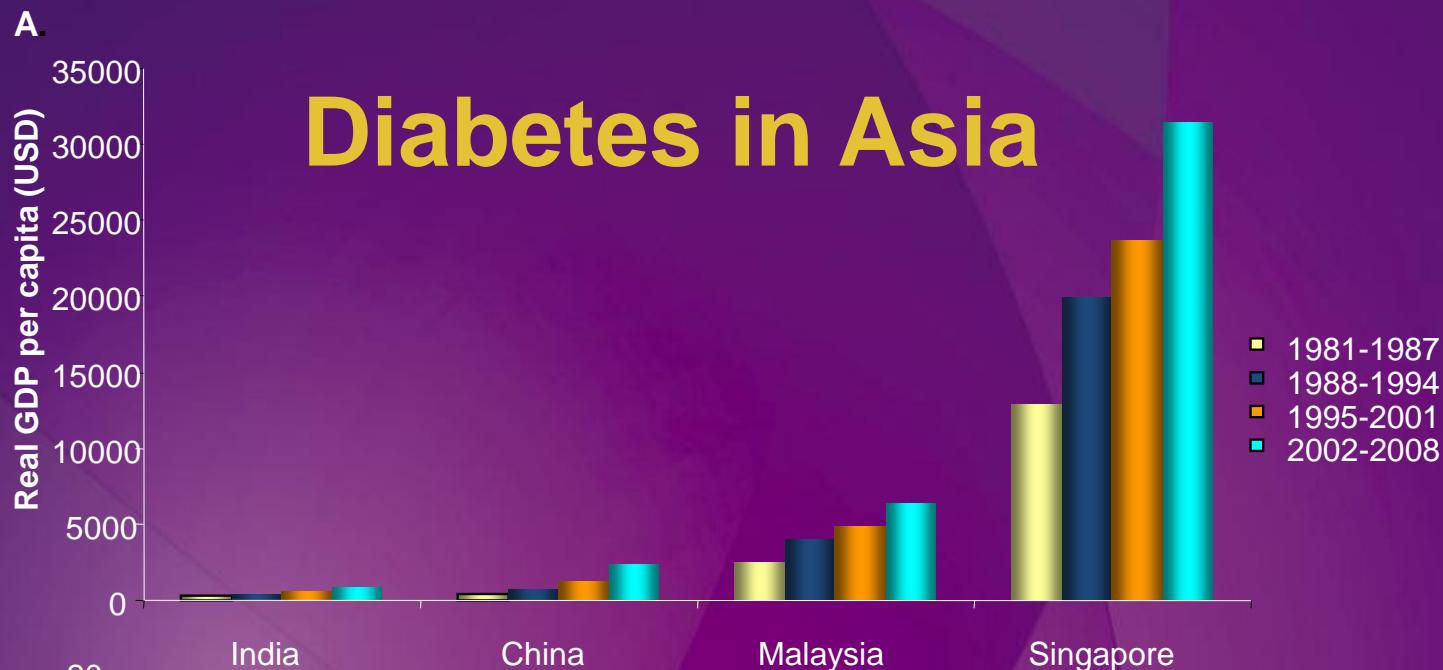
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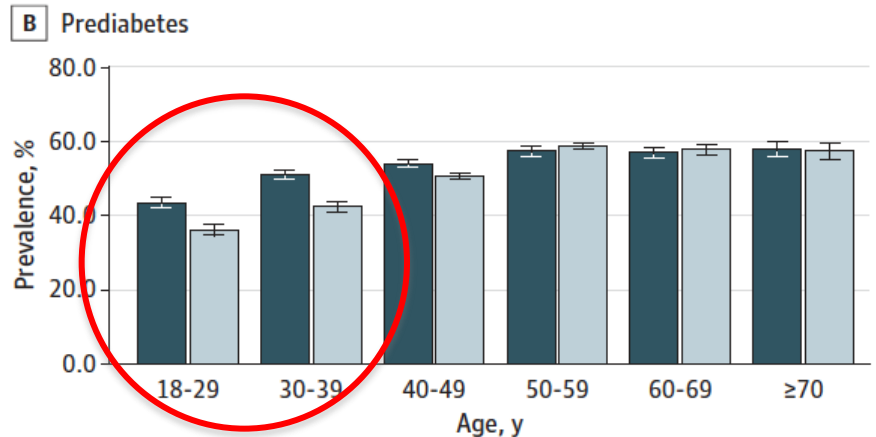
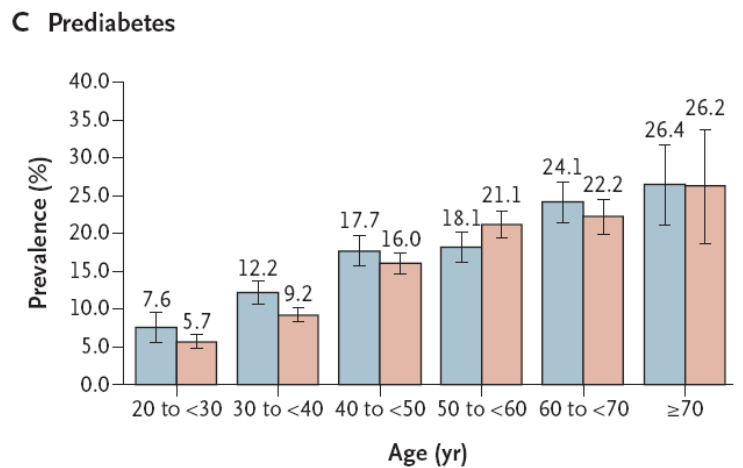
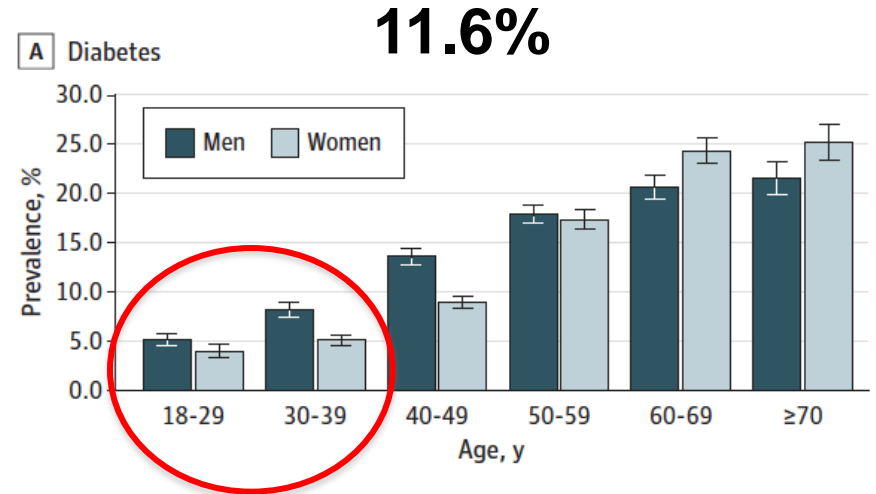
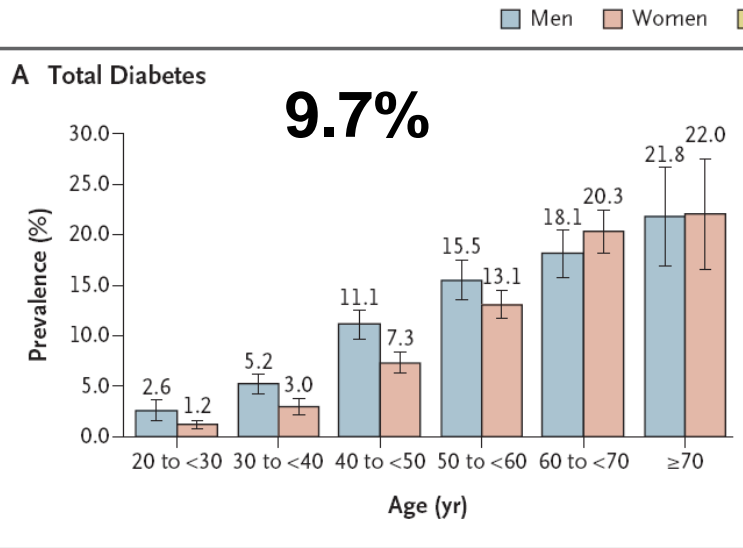
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Diabetes in Asia

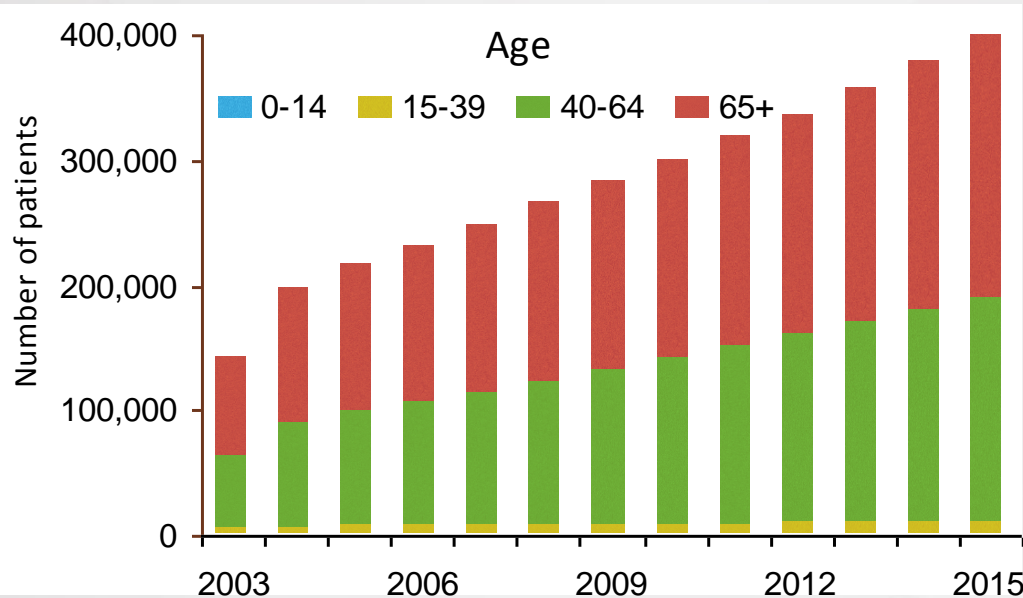


Prevalence of DM in China



Cardiac and Renal Complications are the Major Healthcare Burden from Diabetes

Hong Kong



Affects >10% of population
 1.2million out-patient attendance/year
 280,000 hospital admissions/yr
 Estimated costs: HKD 5 billion/yr
 Majority due to diabetic complications

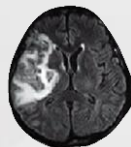
~20,000 new cases per year



32%



48%



27%



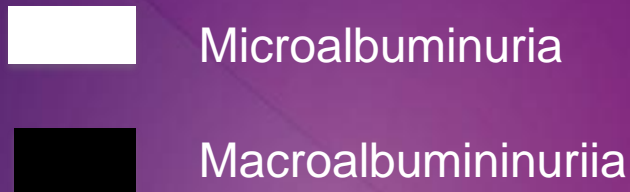
18%



6%

> 50% of DM patients die from cardiac and renal complications

Marked variation in the risk of diabetic nephropathy- WHO MSVDD



2033 patients from 8 centres

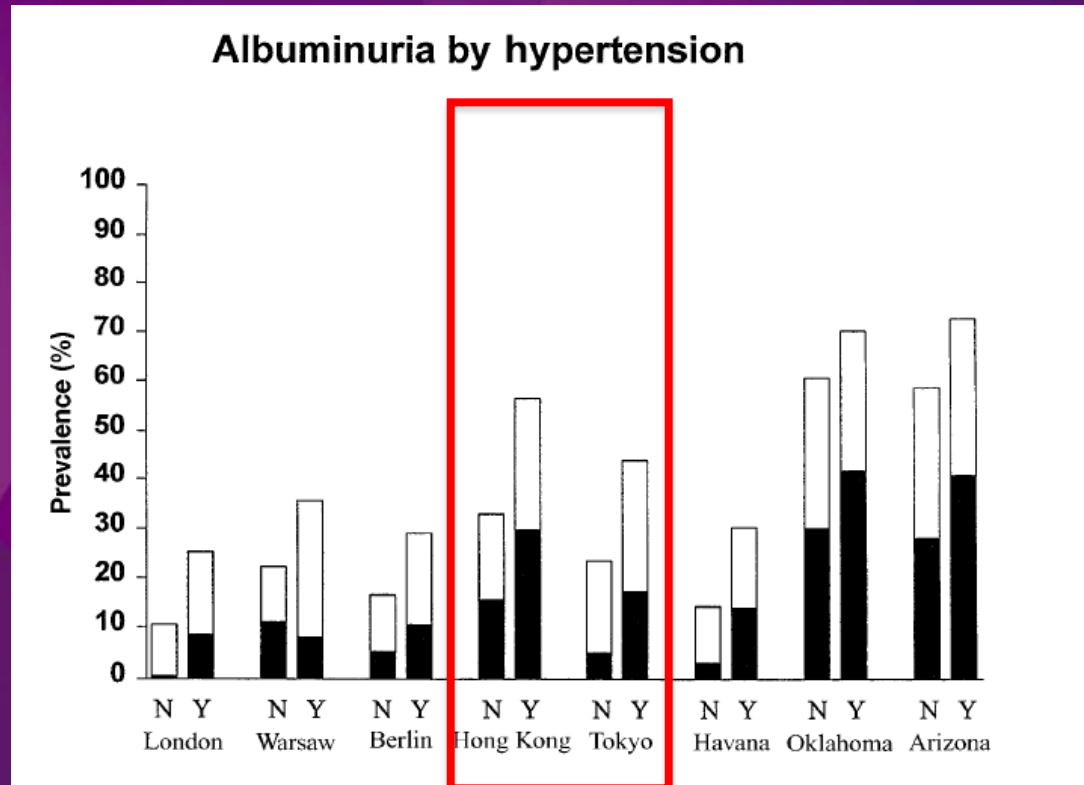
Main predictors:

Mean BP (all centres)

Retinopathy (not HK, Arizona, Warsaw)

Insulin treatment (HK, Tokyo, Berlin, Oklahoma)

CHD (HK, Arizona, London)



Overview

- Genetic markers for diabetic nephropathy
- Diabetic kidney complications
 - Candidate gene studies
 - Bioinformatics approach
 - GWAS
- Future directions

Hyperglycaemia
(+ Dyslipidaemia, Hypertension)

Activation of pathogenetic Pathways

Aldose reductase
AGE production
Protein kinase C
Inflammation
RAS
+ novel pathways

Loss of protective Pathways

Reduced insulin action
VEGF
PDGF
Anti-inflam factors
Adiponectin

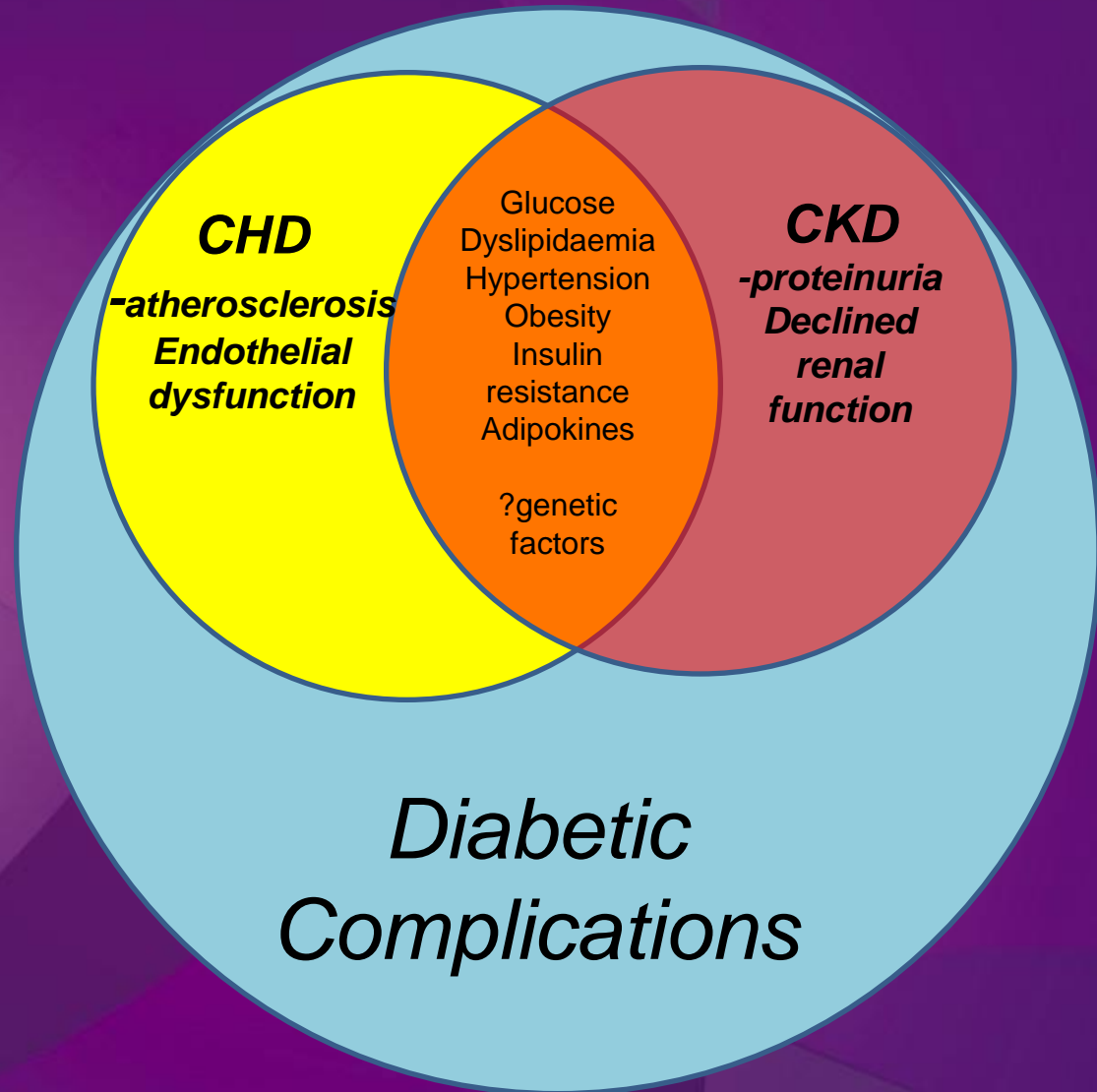
Genetic variants
Epigenetic effects
Environment
Treatments

Cellular death
Abnormal growth
Fibrosis

Loss of structure and function

Cardio-renal complications

Similarities And Differences



The Hong Kong Diabetes Registry

Recruitment (1995-2005)

30-50 ambulatory
DM patients/week

→
GPs
Community
Specialty clinics

Comprehensive assessment (every 12-18 months)

Risk factors

BMI, Waist circumference, BP
Glycemic control (PFG, HbA_{1c})
full lipid profile (TC, HDL-C, TG, LDL-C)

→ Albuminuria (e.g. spot urine albumin:creatinine ratio) →

Complications

Eye (visual acuity and fundoscopy)
Feet (skin changes, sensation and pulses)
Cardiovascular (ECG, stress test as appropriate)
Renal function test

Outcome Documentation

Drug use

Outcomes:
ESRF
Stroke
Death
CHD
CHF
Cancer

>10,000 patients
Follow-up >8 yr
Biobanked samples

Yang XL et al, Diabetologia 2006; 49: 2299-308
Yang XL et al, Diabetes Care 2007; 30: 65-70
Yang XL et al, Arch Intern Med 2008

The Burden of Diabetic Complications- The Hong Kong Diabetes Registry (1995-2005)

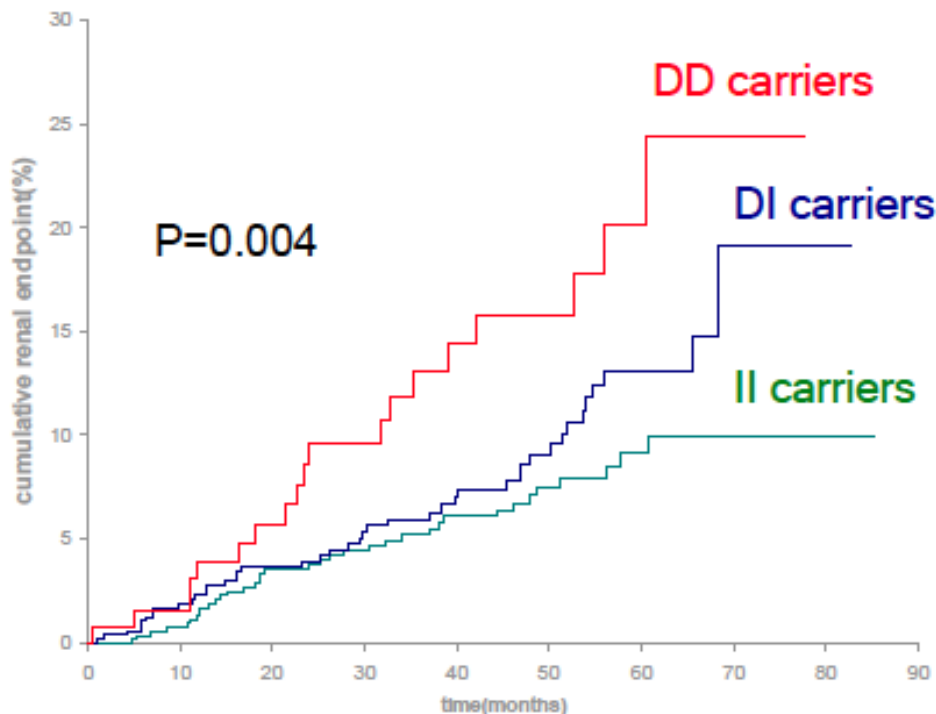
> 7,000 DM patients, mean duration of follow-up: 6 years

Death	10.1% (768)
Coronary heart disease	6.7% (507)
Cardiac failure	4.5% (340)
Stroke	5.6% (422)
End stage renal disease	10.5% (799)
Cancer	5.4% (413)
Composite events	32.9% (2492)

Endpoints captured in 2005, 2009, 2014

ACE I/D polymorphism and DM complications

ACE I/D polymorphism increases risk of renal endpoint 3-fold



1281 T2D patients, follow-up 4 years

Variable	HR (95%CI)	P
RAS inh + II genotype	0.52 (0.3, 0.92)	0.02
RAS inh + DI genotype	0.43 (0.25, 0.72)	0.001
RAS inh + DD genotype	0.95 (0.42, 2.12)	0.91

Genetic variants in the Aldose Reductase Pathway predicts DM complications

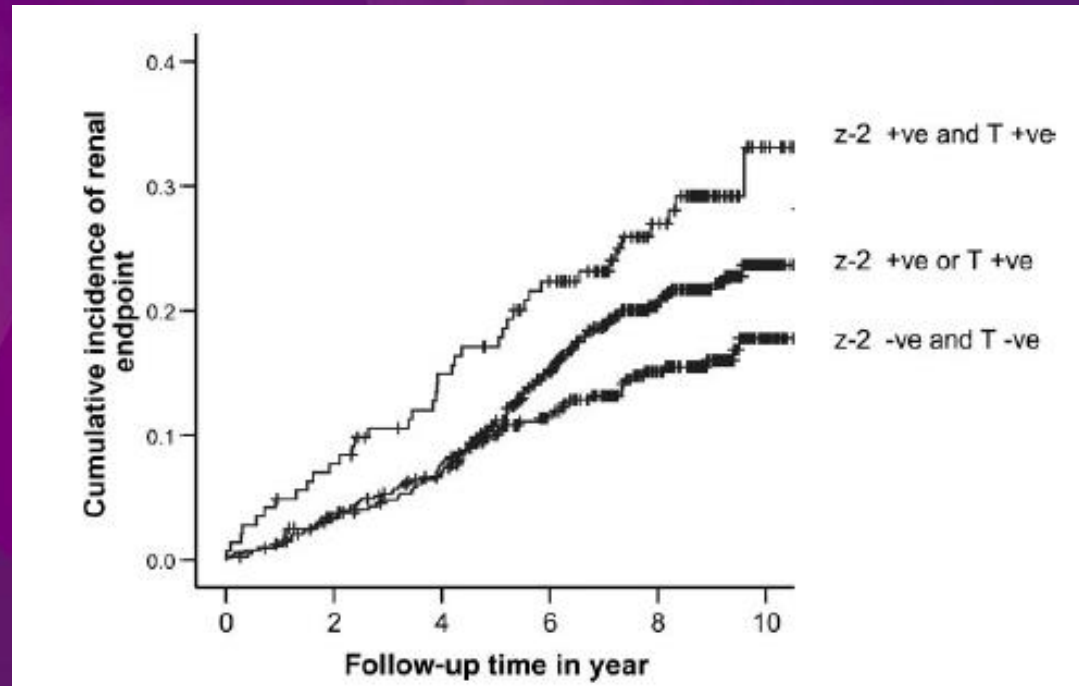
1,327 subjects with T2DM
Excluded those with
Baseline CKD, CHD

1,074 included in analysis

ALR2 z-2 allele

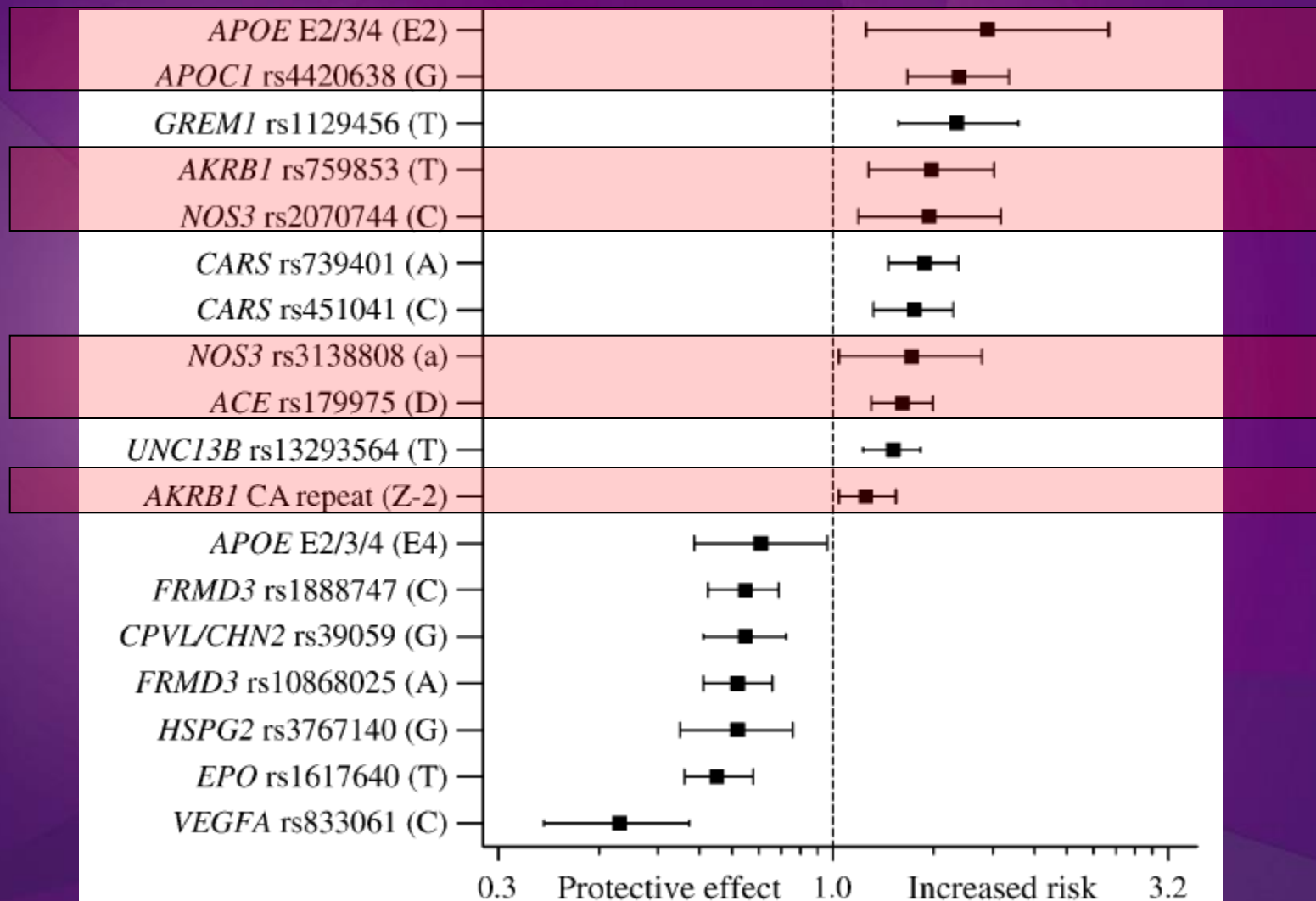
↑ risk of renal HR 1.53
(1.14-2.05)

Or combined cardio-renal
Endpoints HR 1.49 (1.14-1.95)



Few known genetic variants for diabetic kidney disease

AL Mooyaart et al
Diabetologia 2011



Association study of *PRKCB1* and diabetic nephropathy

Prospective study of 1172 patients

T2 DM free of renal disease

Mean duration of follow-up 7.9 years

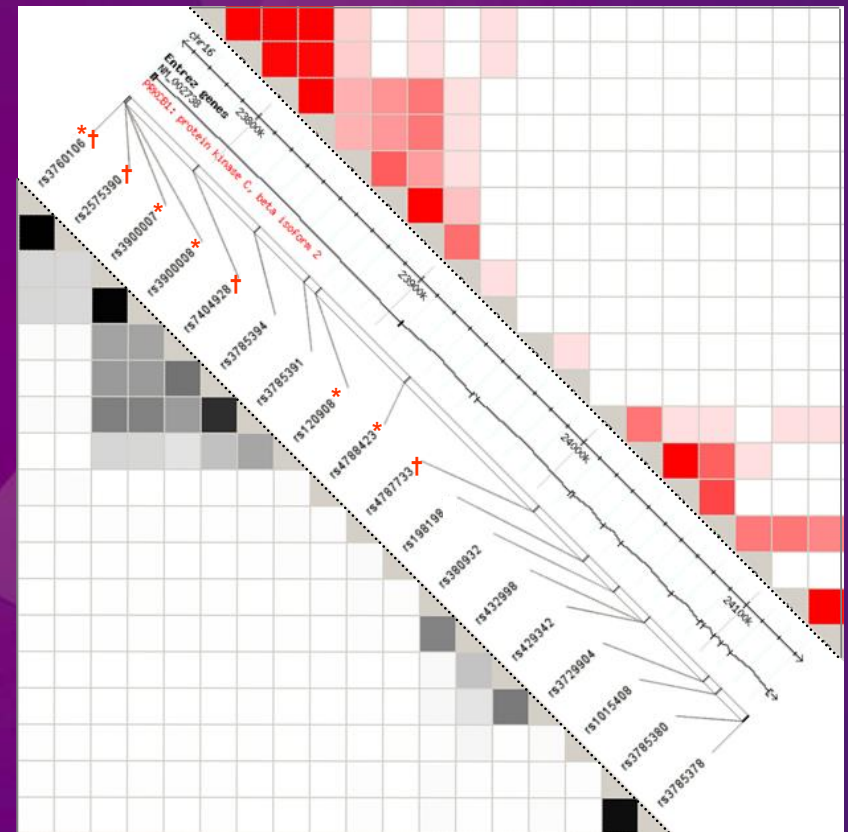
Endpoints:

- 90 out of 1172 developed ESRD

18 Tag SNPs

Cox-proportional
hazard regression model

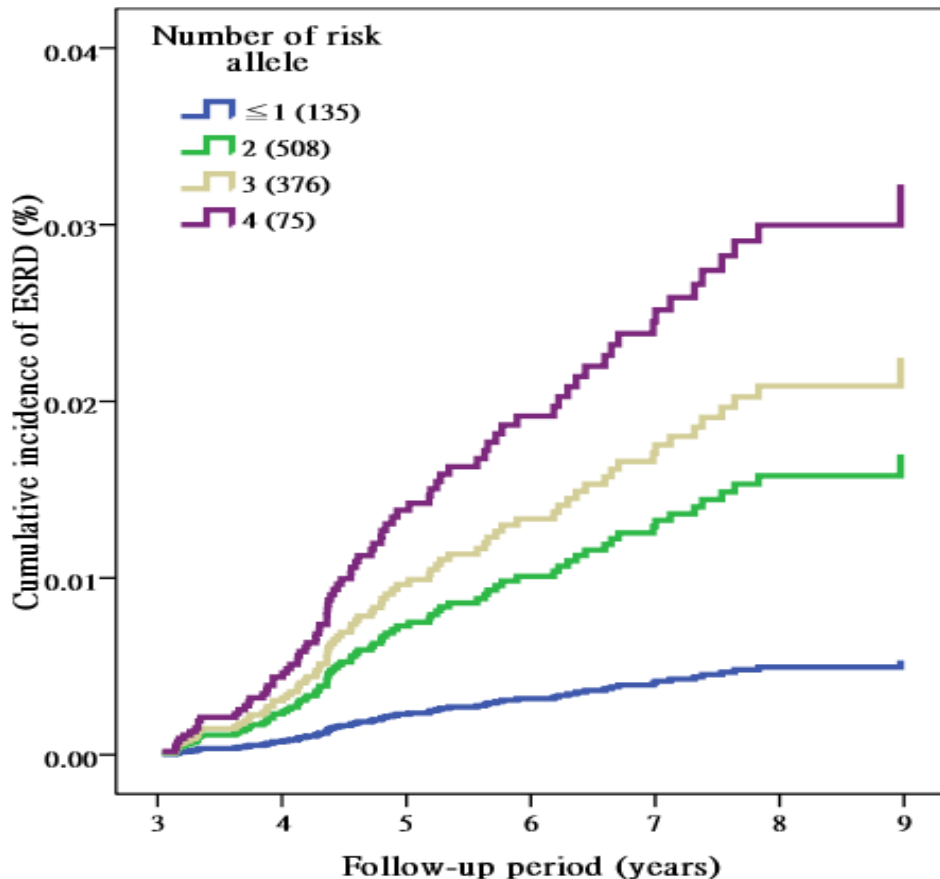
Adjusted for conventional
Risk factors



Structure of *PRKCB1* gene

Variants in PRKCB1 predict new-onset ESRD

90 out of 1172 developed ESRD during 7.9 yr follow-up



The HR for ESRD increased with increasing number of risk alleles (P=0.0007) in the joint effect analysis.

The adjusted risk for ESRD was 6.04 (2.00-18.31) for patients with four or more alleles compared to patients with one or less risk allele

Adjusted for conventional risk factors (age, gender, duration of DM, SBP, DBP, HbA1c, Cholesterol, Ln AER, eGFR, retinopathy, use of ACEI.ARB)

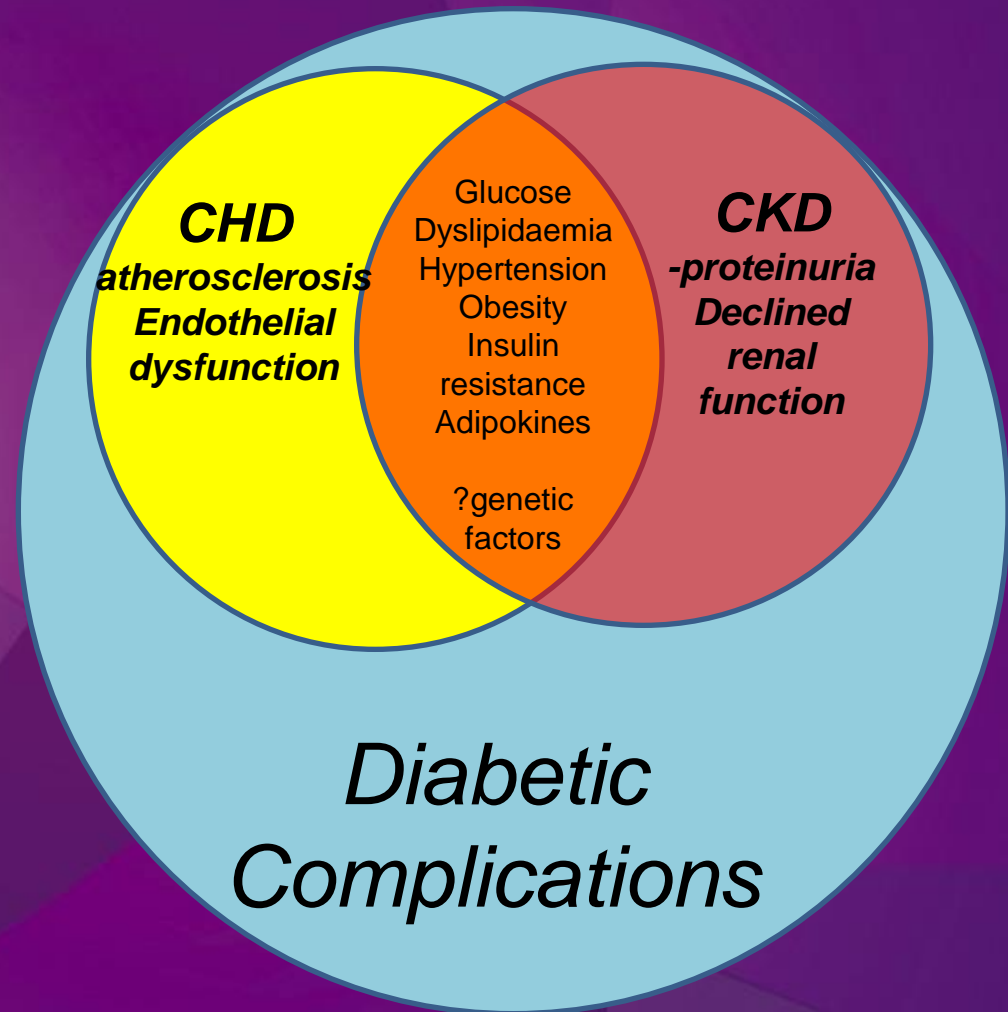
How to identify predictors from a dataset containing clinical and genetic variables?

Traditional analyses



Neglects potential interaction or multiplicative effect between variables

Are subjects with increased risk of DM complications enriched for SNPs related to diabetes or related traits?



Identifying predictors of diabetic kidney disease

2,755 subjects from registry with complete data and genotype data

673 (24.4%) developed CKD during median FU 7.7years

36 SNPs relating to T2DM, obesity, glucose traits

25 clinical variables including age, sex, eGFR, as well as drug use information

1) a stepwise model selection procedure based on the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) was repeatedly conducted (using 200 subsample aggregation each covering 2/3 of the cases and controls);

2) the category-free net reclassification improvement (NRI) was employed to evaluate the contribution of top SNPs towards the prediction model;

3) the associations of identified genetic variants with outcomes were further validated in independent samples from collaborators

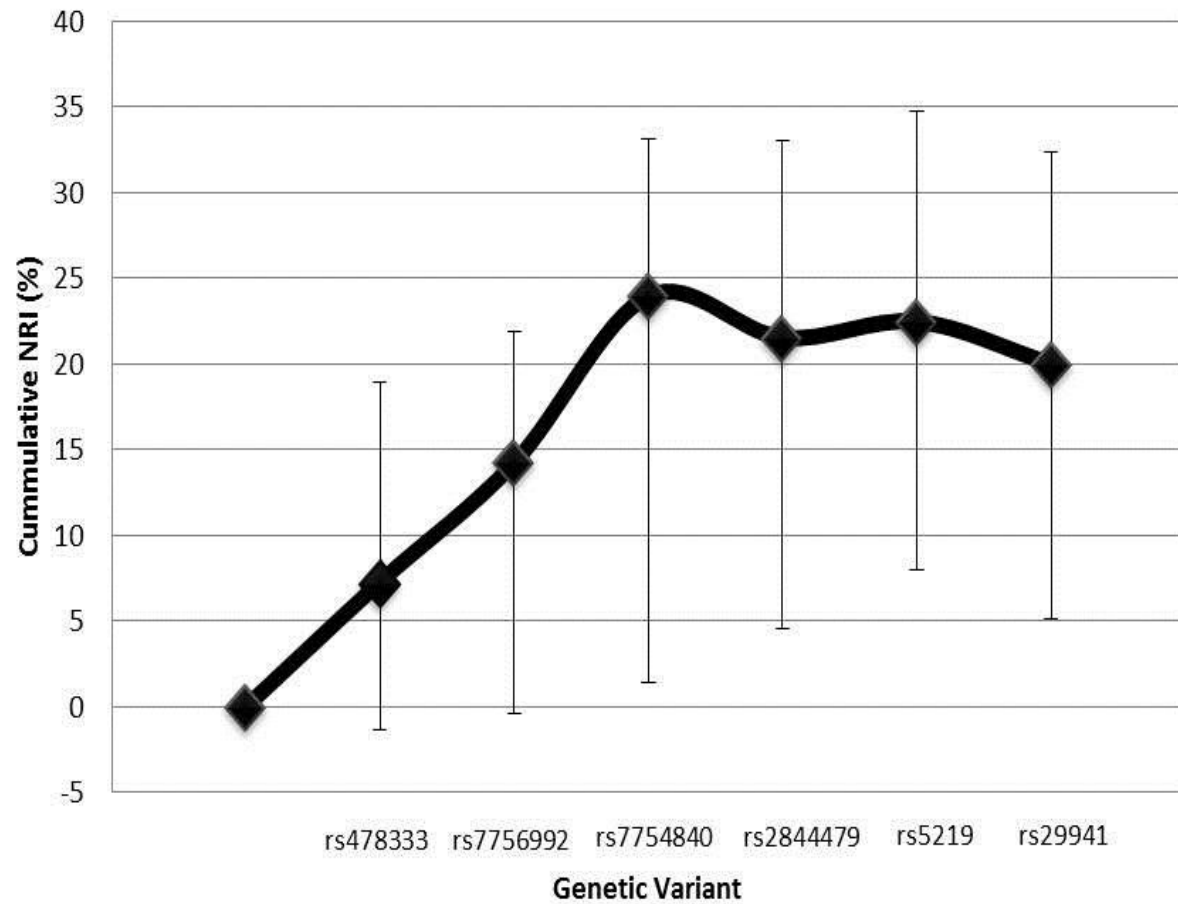
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ACR	/		
Age	/		
eGFR	/		
HbA1c	/		
Insulin	/		
Sensory neuropathy	/		
ACEIs or ARBs	/		
CHD history	/		
rs478333 (<i>G6PC2</i>)	63.5		
Retinopathy	/		
rs7756992 (<i>CDKAL1</i>)	5		
Triglyceride	/		
rs7754840 (<i>CDKAL1</i>)	2		
rs2844479 (<i>LST1/AIF1</i>)	74		
rs5219 (<i>KCNJ11</i>)	3		
rs29941 (<i>KCTD15</i>)	11.5		
LDL cholesterol	/		
rs4430796 (<i>HNF1B</i>)	59.5		
AIC value*	6496(7.8)		

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	genetic model	clinical model	clinico-genomic model
ACR	/	100	
Age	/	100	
eGFR	/	100	
HbA1c	/	100	
Insulin	/	100	
Sensory neuropathy	/	100	
ACEIs or ARBs	/	100	
CHD history	/	99	
rs478333 (<i>G6PC2</i>)	63.5	/	
Retinopathy	/	80.5	
rs7756992 (<i>CDKAL1</i>)	5	/	
Triglyceride	/	68	
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AIC value*	6496(7.8)	5736(28.9)	

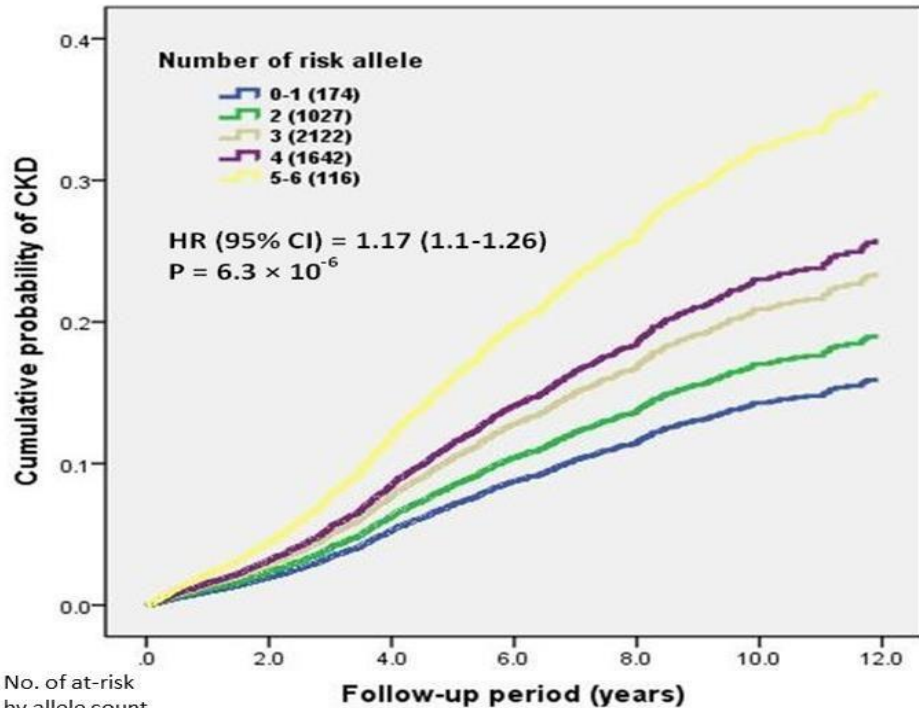
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eGFR	/	100	100
HbA1c	/	100	100
Insulin	/	100	100
Sensory neuropathy	/	100	100
ACEIs or ARBs	/	100	99.5
CHD history	/	99	99.5
rs478333 (<i>G6PC2</i>)	63.5	/	95.5
Retinopathy	/	80.5	80.5
rs7756992 (<i>CDKAL1</i>)	5	/	67
Triglyceride	/	68	65.5
rs7754840 (<i>CDKAL1</i>)	2	/	64
rs2844479 (<i>LST1/AIF1</i>)	74	/	59.5
rs5219 (<i>KCNJ11</i>)	3	/	59
rs29941 (<i>KCTD15</i>)	11.5	/	58
LDL cholesterol	/	53	57.5
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Evaluating the contribution of selected genetic variants to the prediction model

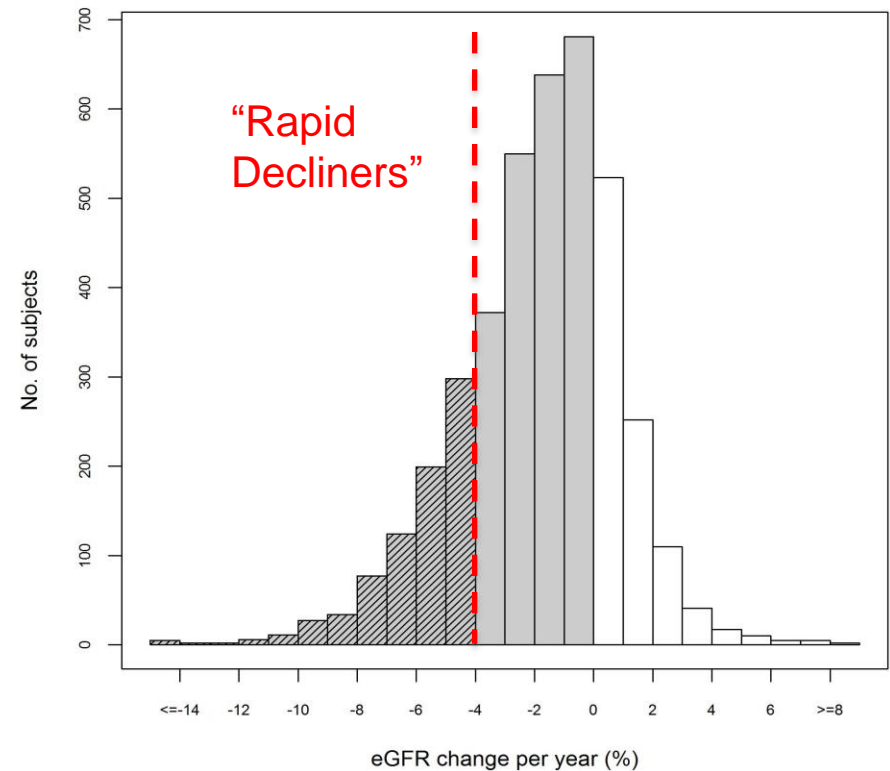


Variants related to glucose metabolism predicts development of CKD in T2DM



No. of at-risk by allele count	Follow-up period (years)						
	0	2	4	6	8	10	12
0-1	174	167	156	123	102	76	37
2	1027	968	922	772	569	401	170
3	2122	1996	1878	1521	1154	824	373
4	1642	1526	1438	1186	901	606	248
5-6	116	110	103	83	67	49	22

Decline in renal function per year

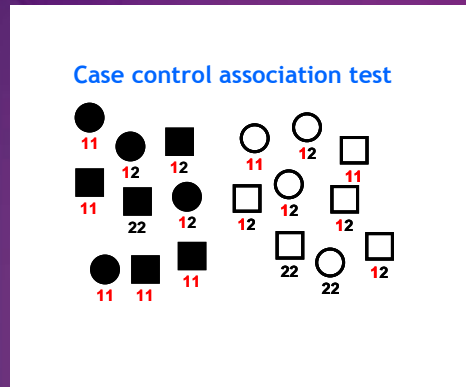


rs478333 of *G6PC2*
rs7754840 of *CDKAL1*
rs7756992 of *CDKAL1*

DM complications	Phenotype	Study type	Ethnic group	Polymorphism	Candidate gene/nearest gene	Chrm location	References		
Type 2 diabetes mellitus	Nephropathy	Candidate gene	Multi-ethnic	rs179975	ACE	17q23	Mooyart <i>et al</i> , Diabetologia (2011)		
		Candidate gene		rs4646994 rs 4344	ACE	17q23	Ng <i>et al</i> . (2005), Wang <i>et al</i> (2012)		
		Candidate gene	Asian		rs4646994	ACE	17q23	Zhong <i>et al</i> , JRAAS (2015)	
			Asian	(incident DN)	rs4646994	ACE	17q23	Zhong <i>et al</i> , JRAAS (2015)	
					rs759853	Aldose reductase	7q35	So <i>et al</i> , Diabetes Care (2008)	
					Microsatellite	Aldose reductase	7q35	So <i>et al</i> , Diabetes Care (2008)	
						APOE	19q13		
		Candidate gene	Multi-ethnic		rs1801282	PPARG	3p25	Herrmann <i>et al</i> , Diabetes (2002); Liu <i>et al</i> , Diabetes Care (2010)	
		Candidate gene	Japanese		rs2237897	KCNQ1	11p15	Ohshige <i>et al</i> , Diabetes Care (2010)	
						APOE	19q13	Li <i>et al</i> , Mol Biol Rep (2011)	
			Multi-ethnic		D18S880	CNDP1	18q22	Janssen <i>et al</i> , Diabetes (2005); Mooyart <i>et al</i> , Diabetologia (2011)	
		Candidate gene	European		rs1799883	FABP2	4q28	Canani <i>et al</i> , Diabetes (2005)	
		Candidate gene	European		rs451041	CARS	11p15	Pezzolesi <i>et al</i> , Kidney Int (2011)	
		Candidate gene			rs1411766		13q	Pezzolesi <i>et al</i> , Kidney Int (2011)	
		Candidate gene	European		rs1531343	HMGA2	12q15	Alkayyali <i>et al</i> , Diabetologia (2013)	
		Replication	Japanese		rs1411766	Near IRS2	13q	Maeda <i>et al</i> , Diabetes (2010)	
				GWAS	Japanese	Arg913Gln	SLC12A3	16q13	Tanaka <i>et al</i> , Diabetes (2003)
				GWAS	Japanese	rs741301	ELMO1	7p14	Shimazaki <i>et al</i> , Diabetes (2005)
				GWAS	Japanese	rs2268388	ACACB	12q24.1	Maeda <i>et al</i> , PLoS Genet (2010)
		ESRD		Candidate gene	Multi-ethnic	rs4646994	ACE	17q23	Yu <i>et al</i> , Nephrology (2012)
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Candidate gene	Chinese			rs3760106	PRKCB1	16p11	Ma <i>et al</i> , JAMA (2010)		
Candidate gene	African American			rs7754586	ENPP1	6q24-27	Keene <i>et al</i> , Diabetes (2008)		
Candidate gene	African American			rs4478844	OR2AK2	1q44	Cooke Bailey <i>et al</i> , Hum Genet (2014)		
Candidate gene	Euroipean			rs3747154	LIMK2	22q12	Cooke Bailey <i>et al</i> , Hum Genet (2014)		
Replication	European			rs11769039	ELMO1	7p14			
Replication	African American			rs1345365	ELMO1	7p14	Leak <i>et al</i> , Ann Hum Genet (2009)		
	ESRD in type 2			GWAS	Pima Indians	rs2720709	PVT1	8q24	Hanson <i>et al</i> , Diabetes (2007)
	diabetes mellitus			Resequencing		rs2648875	PVT1	8q24	Hanson <i>et al</i> , Diabetes (2007)

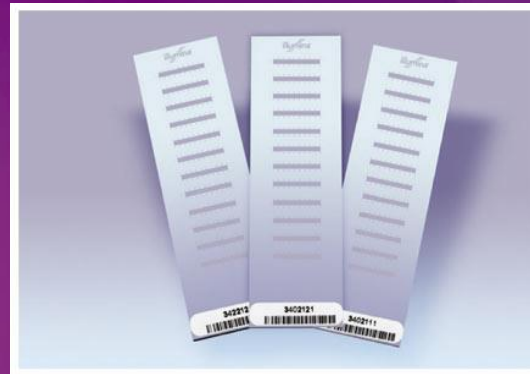
CHD, coronary heart disease; CV, cardiovascular; DM, diabetes mellitus; ESRD, end-stage renal disease; GWAS, genome-wide association studies.

Identification of novel genetic predictors of DMN in Chinese by GWAS



DNA
extracted

→



Genome-wide genotyping using high density chips (Illumina 610 Quad)

→ **Data Analysis**

Quality control
Marker quality control
Population substructure

Select 400 cases without DN

Matched for duration of DM, age
using prospective design

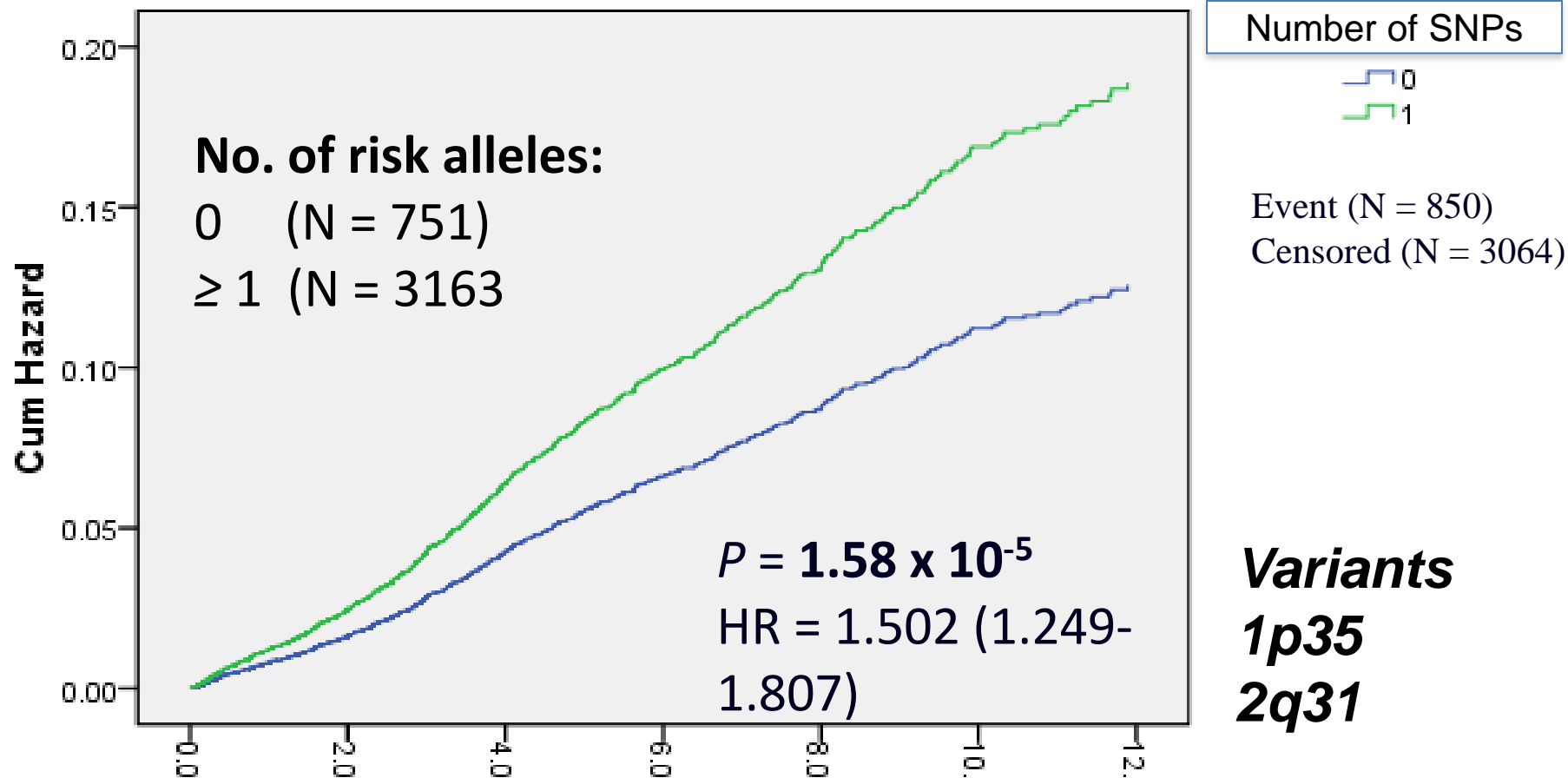
200 cases developed DN
200 cases no DN on FU
from database

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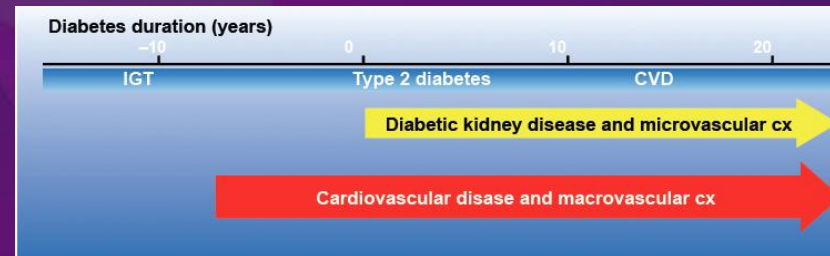
Preliminary data
for top association signals
Plan for future
Replication studies

Joint analysis of top 2 replicated SNPs

Hazard Function for patterns 1 - 2



Theme-based Research Scheme on DM cardio-renal complications



Hong Kong Diabetes Registry

Since 1995
>10,000 DM subjects
Prospective follow-up
Regular assessment
Detailed clinical info
Medication use
Baseline DNA and blood

Genome (GWAS)

Methylome (EWAS)

MiRNA (micRNA array)

Transcriptome (RNA-seq)

Transomic Integrative analysis

Functional studies and animal studies

Pathways

Replication samples from Hong Kong Diabetes Biobank (10 centres across Hong Kong)

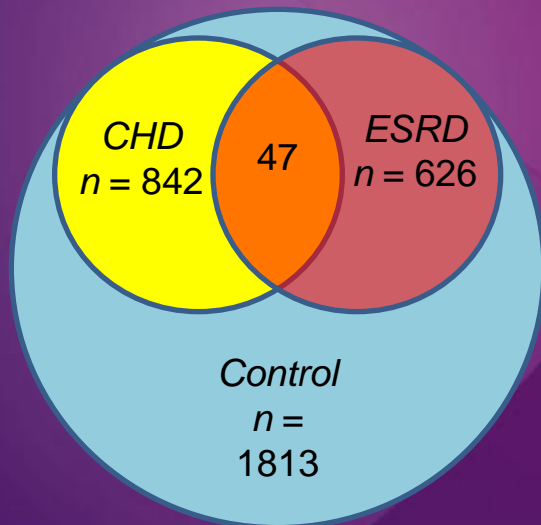
Replication in external cohorts from collaborators

Prof HY Lan
Prof CC Szeto

GWAS

Genetic markers

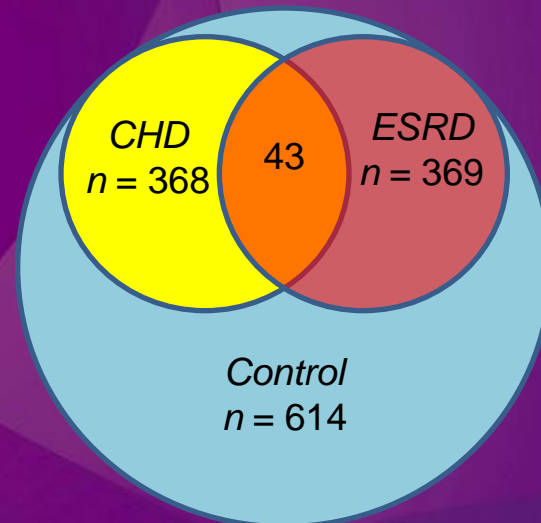
Whole-genome genotyping
Cover 2.5m+ genetic variants
1st phase 3008 sample
Total > 6,500 samples



EWAS

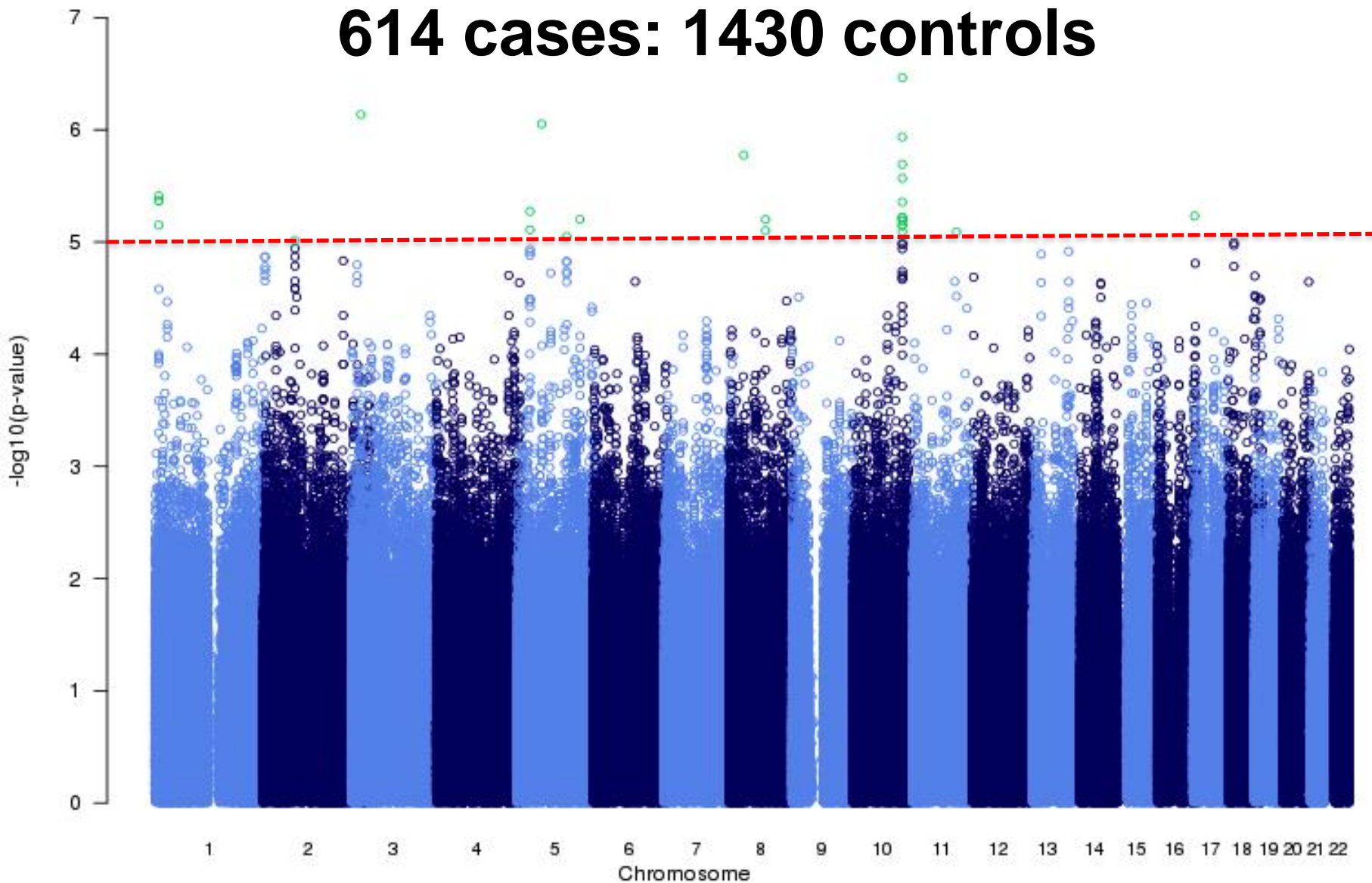
Epigenetic markers

Epigenome-wide association
485K methylation sites
Incident DKD or CHD

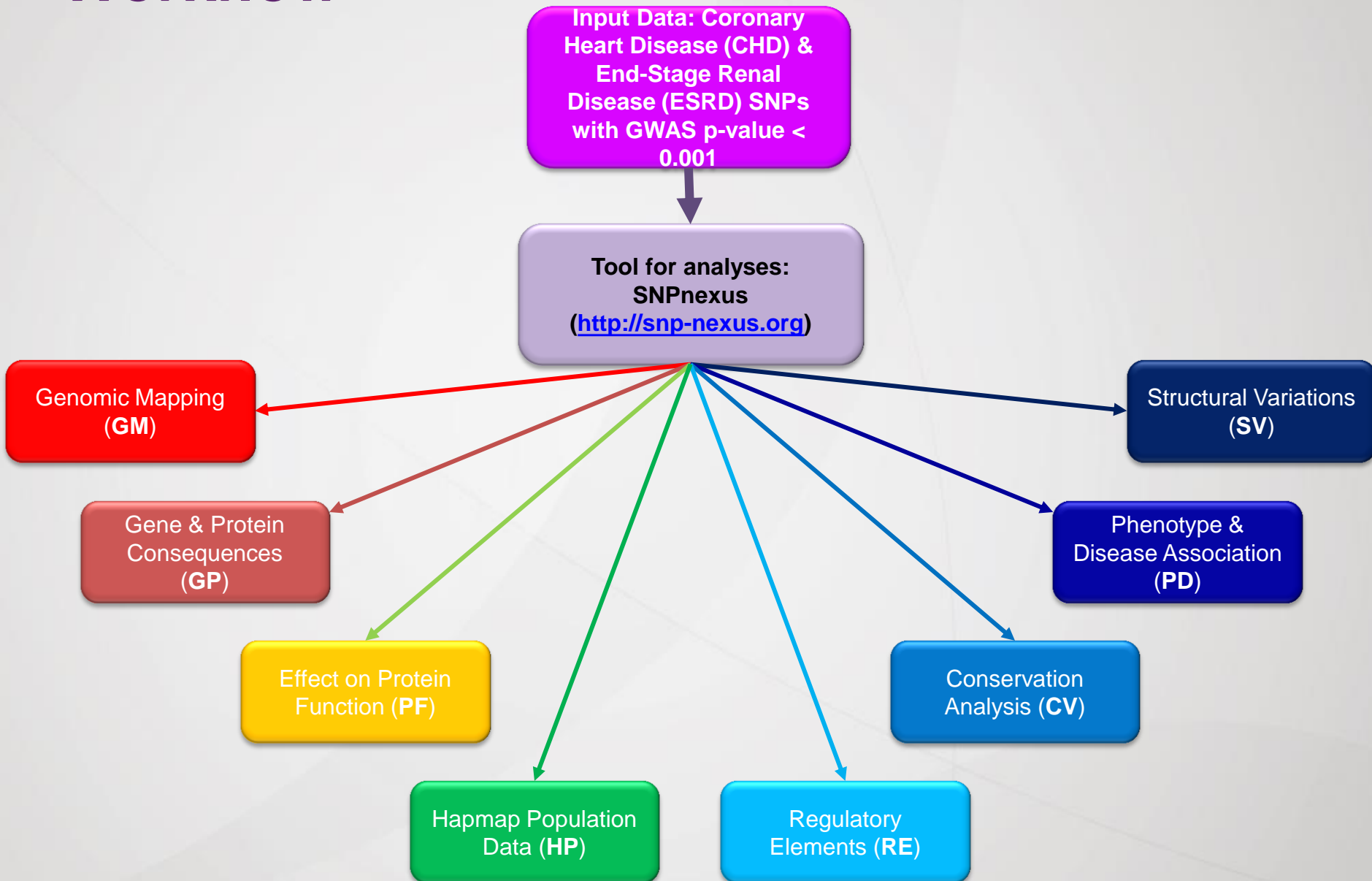


GWAS for ESRD in Type 2 Diabetes

614 cases: 1430 controls

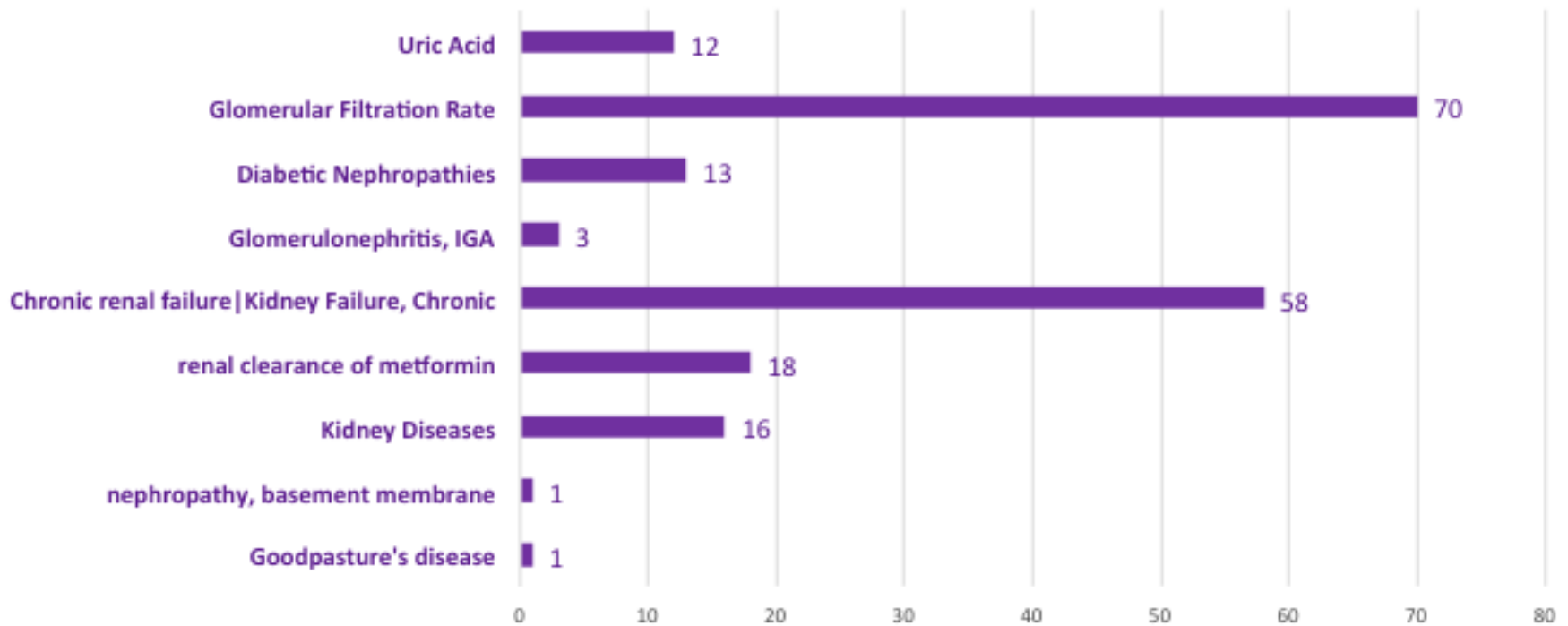


Workflow

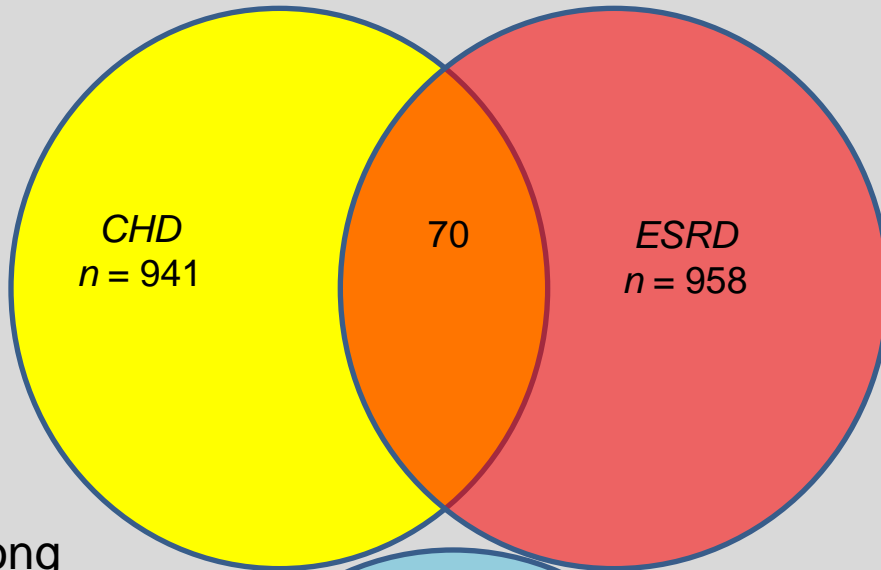


Totally 154 of the top ESRD SNPs were classified to 9 phenotypes in RENAL disease class

9 Phenotypes in Renal Disease Class

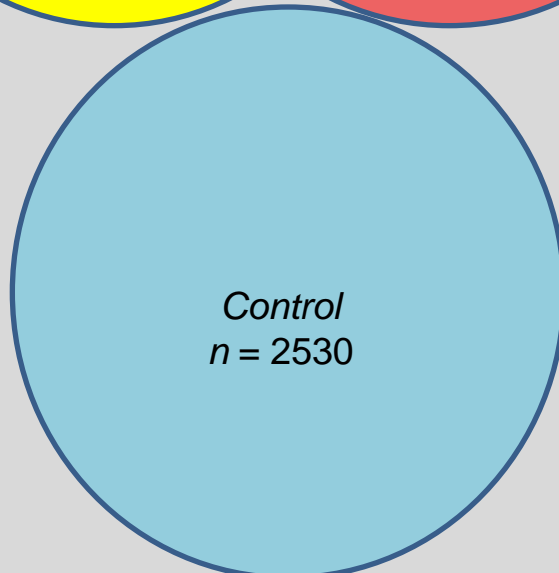


GWAS (phase 1+2=7003)



Hong Kong
Diabetes
Registry
N>8000

(1868 added
for
Prospective
Analysis)

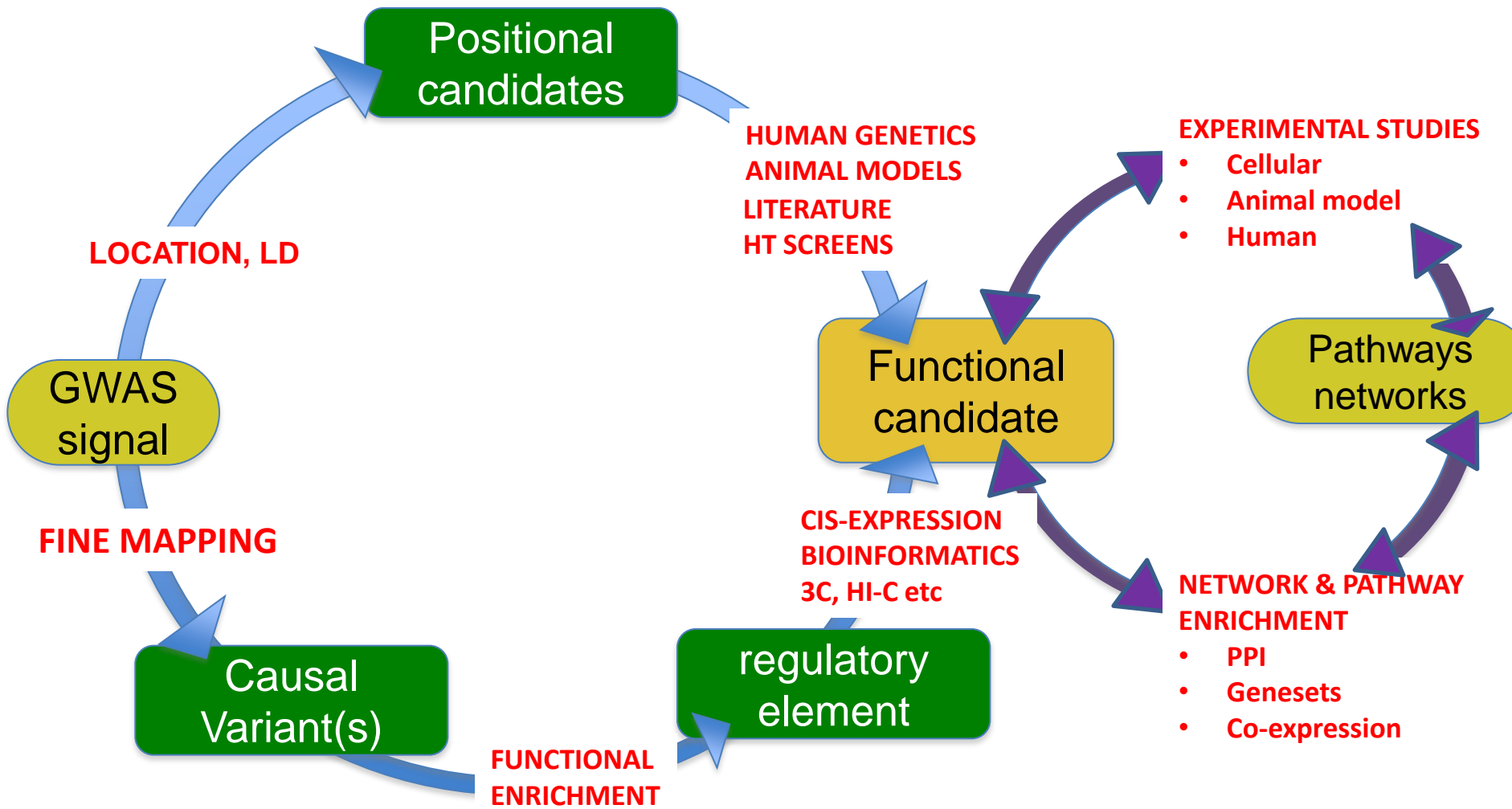


ESRD: $n = 1028$

1. ESRD endpoint (till 2013); no CVD and ESRD history
2. ESRD history; no CVD history
3. Complete phenotype data

Control: $n = 2530$

1. no CVD and CKD history
2. no CVD and CKD endpoint (till 2013)
3. have lab test results
4. Follow-up + duration of DM ≥ 10 years
5. Complete phenotype data



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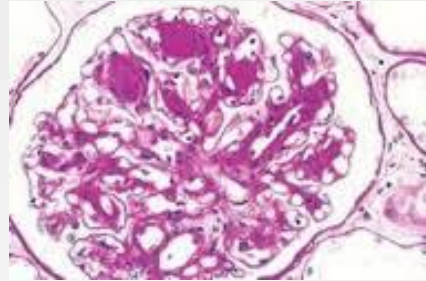
 **GTEx** Portal

Adapted from McCarthy MI

Identifying gene changes in DM nephropathy



Recruitment
Consented



Call back
DM complication sx
Blood taking

Laser-capture
Microdissection

glomeruli

tubules

RNA : RNA-seq

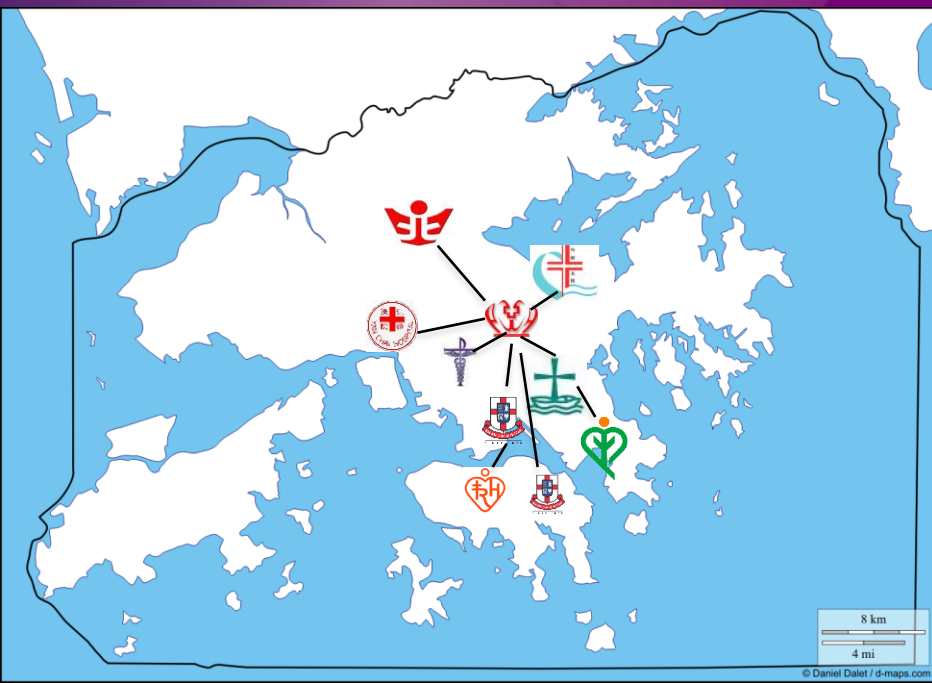
Whole blood DNA
Methylation array
Genotyping
miRNA



HONG KONG DIABETES BIOBANK

香港糖尿病生物庫

- 10 hospitals across different regions in Hong Kong
- Aim to recruit over >10,000 Chinese patients with T2DM
- Baseline clinical information at complications screen
- Follow-up for development of diabetic complications, tx failure
- Recruited over 6,000 patients



	With CKD	W/out CKD
N	1109 (26.7%)	3033
M/F	677/ 432	1742/ 1291
Age	67.2	58.6

Summary

- Genetic studies have identified few genetic factors associated with the risk of diabetic kidney disease
- Novel data-mining approaches may uncover association not previously identified using conventional approaches
- Genetic predictors of DM complications may aid identification of high-risk subjects
- Translation to better management of diabetes and associated risk factors and provide novel drug targets



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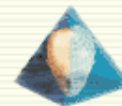
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A serene landscape photograph of a sunset. The sun is positioned low on the horizon, partially obscured by dark, silhouetted mountains. The sky is filled with soft, golden light and scattered clouds, with rays of light emanating from behind the sun. The calm water in the foreground perfectly reflects the sun and the colorful sky, creating a symmetrical effect. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

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