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1. Supplemental Tables

Supplemental Tables

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Note: No-order number, table is ordered by chromosome and HG38 position; rsID-SNV name, Gene Name-gene name from the Entrez Gene of NCBI; Variant role-SNVs' role as defined by the NCBI dbSNP database; Chrom- chromosome; position HG38 and position HG19- positions based on NCBI builds batch 138 (HG19) and batch 147 (HG38); diffposneargene- position distance of a SNV from the closest gene's SNV in the NCBI dbSNP, if within the gene we assigned a 0 value; Closest gene- a gene name the same as Gene Name, when the SNV is within gene boundaries, in parenthesis when within 500KB of the closest gene, and in parenthesis with ()_beyond when further intergenic; Allele 1-allele 1; Allele 2-allele 2; Freq1-allele frequency for Allele 1; SBP beta and its Standard Error as SBP s.e. followed by DBP and PP; SBP directiondirection of beta sign for contributing results in the following order: BP-EUROPEAN led Consortium, UK-BIOBANK and CHARGE-BP Consortium, similar for DBP and PP; followed by the same traits' order for loghetp-log10p of heterogeneity; N-meta-sample; and SBP-meta -Log10p for SBP, DBP and PP.

Supplemental Table 2. Association of the 77 SNVs for BP in the European ancestry metaanalysis. Highlighted in green are SNVs with $P \le 5 \times 10^{-8}$ (equivalent to $-\log_{10}P = 7.3$). In yellow are highlighted the 21 BP findings. (See separate Excel Table). See Note above for Supplemental Table 1.

Supplemental Table 3. Association findings for new BP SNVs, including any associations with other traits and top ranked eQTLs with $P < 5 \ge 10^{-8}$. For the eQTL results we only report tissues and genes where the BP-associated SNV and the expression SNV are in high LD ($r^2 > 0.8$). Sources of information were GWAS Catalog access on 1.12.2017, PhenoScanner ²⁷ and GTex ⁴⁶ (See separate Excel Table for referenced PMIDs).

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Supplemental Figures 1a-e. Forest plots of 5 novel selected SNVs in association with BP. Depicted are the beta, 95% confidence interval around the beta for the overall meta-analysis and for each contributing consortium. The heterogeneity p-value is estimated from the overall meta-analysis.

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2. Supplemental Figures.

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Notes for LocusZoom plots:

- Locus Zoom plots of region ±500kb from the reference SNV
- Showing results for the primary trait from the Mega-Exome analysis
- Association p-value results according to full UKB-EUR BP GWAS data
- LD calculated from UKB-EUR data for all UKB variants
- Grey points if LD has $r^2 < 0.1$
- All plots on same y-axis scale limits for equivalent comparison
- Significance threshold reference lines at 1×10^{-4} and 5×10^{-8}



Supplemental Figure 2.a. The *SLC4A1AP* (rs9678851) for SBP (novel locus)



Supplemental Figure 2.b. The *STAB1* (rs13303) for PP (novel locus)



Supplemental Figure 2.c. The AFAP1 (rs7437940) for PP (novel locus)



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Supplemental Figure 2.e. The SYNOPL2 (rs34163229) for SBP (secondary signal)

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