

## Supplementary Information

### 1 Supplementary Tables

**Supplementary Table 1: Metabolite list.** Metabolites (n=228) analysed by Nightingale Health (see methods) used for analysis, including full names and abbreviations used throughout the main text. VLDL – very low density lipoprotein, IDL – intermediate density lipoprotein, LDL – low density lipoprotein and HDL – high density lipoprotein.

<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Full description</b>
AcAce	Acetoacetate
Ace	Acetate
Ala	Alanine
Alb	Albumin
ApoA1	Apolipoprotein A-I
ApoB	Apolipoprotein B
ApoB/ApoA1	Ratio of apolipoprotein B to apolipoprotein A-I
bOHBut	3-hydroxybutyrate
Cit	Citrate
Crea	Creatinine
DHA	22:6, docosahexaenoic acid
DHA/FA	Ratio of 22:6, docosahexaenoic acids to total fatty acids
EstC	Esterified cholesterol
FAw3	Omega-3 fatty acids
FAw3/FA	Ratio of omega-3 fatty acids to total fatty acids
FAw6	Omega-6 fatty acids
FAw6/FA	Ratio of omega-6 fatty acids to total fatty acids
FreeC	Free cholesterol
Glc	Glucose
Gln	Glutamine
Glol	Glycerol
Gly	Glycine
Gp	Glycoprotein acetylation
HDL2-C	Total cholesterol in HDL2
HDL3-C	Total cholesterol in HDL3
HDL-C	Total cholesterol in HDL
HDL-D	Mean diameter for HDL particles
HDL-TG	Triglycerides in HDL
His	Histidine
IDL-C	Total cholesterol in IDL particles
IDL-C_%	Percentage of cholesterol in IDL particles
IDL-CE	Cholesterol esters in IDL particles

IDL-CE_%	Percentage of cholesterol esters in IDL particles
IDL-FC	Free cholesterol in IDL particles
IDL-FC_%	Percentage of free cholesterol in IDL particles
IDL-L	Total lipids in IDL particles
IDL-P	Concentration of IDL particles
IDL-PL	Phospholipids in IDL particles
IDL-PL_%	Percentage of phospholipids in IDL particles
IDL-TG	Triglycerides in IDL particles
IDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in IDL particles
Ile	Isoleucine
LA	18:2, linoleic acid
LA/FA	Ratio of 18:2, linoleic acids to total fatty acids
Lac	Lactate
LDL-C	Total cholesterol in LDL
LDL-D	Mean diameter for LDL particles
LDL-TG	Triglycerides in LDL
Leu	Leucine
L-HDL-C	Total cholesterol in large HDL particles
L-HDL-C_%	Percentage of cholesterol in large HDL particles
L-HDL-CE	Cholesterol esters in large HDL particles
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L-LDL-PL_%	Percentage of phospholipids in large LDL particles

L-LDL-TG	Triglycerides in large LDL particles
L-LDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in large LDL particles
L-VLDL-C	Total cholesterol in large VLDL particles
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L-VLDL-PL_%	Percentage of phospholipids in large VLDL particles
L-VLDL-TG	Triglycerides in large VLDL particles
L-VLDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in large VLDL particles
M-HDL-C	Total cholesterol in medium HDL particles
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M-LDL-PL_%	Percentage of phospholipids in medium LDL particles
M-LDL-TG	Triglycerides in medium LDL particles
M-LDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in medium LDL particles
MUFA	Monounsaturated fatty acids

MUFA/FA	Ratio of monounsaturated fatty acids to total fatty acids
M-VLDL-C	Total cholesterol in medium VLDL particles
M-VLDL-C_%	Percentage of cholesterol in medium VLDL particles
M-VLDL-CE	Cholesterol esters in medium VLDL particles
M-VLDL-CE_%	Percentage of cholesterol esters in medium VLDL particles
M-VLDL-FC	Free cholesterol in medium VLDL particles
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M-VLDL-TG	Triglycerides in medium VLDL particles
M-VLDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in medium VLDL particles
PC	Phosphatidylcholine and other cholines
Phe	Phenylalanine
PUFA	Polyunsaturated fatty acids
PUFA/FA	Ratio of polyunsaturated fatty acids to total fatty acids
Remnant-C	Remnant cholesterol (non-HDL, non-LDL cholesterol)
Serum-C	Serum total cholesterol
Serum-TG	Serum total triglycerides
SFA	Saturated fatty acids
SFA/FA	Ratio of saturated fatty acids to total fatty acids
S-HDL-C	Total cholesterol in small HDL particles
S-HDL-C_%	Percentage of cholesterol in small HDL particles
S-HDL-CE	Cholesterol esters in small HDL particles
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S-LDL-TG	Triglycerides in small LDL particles
S-LDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in small LDL particles
SM	Sphingomyelins
S-VLDL-C	Total cholesterol in small VLDL particles
S-VLDL-C_%	Percentage of cholesterol in small VLDL particles
S-VLDL-CE	Cholesterol esters in small VLDL particles
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S-VLDL-PL_%	Percentage of phospholipids in small VLDL particles
S-VLDL-TG	Triglycerides in small VLDL particles
S-VLDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in small VLDL particles
TG/PG	Ratio of triglycerides to phosphoglycerides
TotCho	Total cholines
TotFA	Total fatty acids
TotPG	Total phosphoglycerides
Tyr	Tyrosine
UnSat	Estimated degree of unsaturation
Val	Valine
VLDL-C	Total cholesterol in VLDL
VLDL-D	Mean diameter for VLDL particles
VLDL-TG	Triglycerides in VLDL
XL-HDL-C	Total cholesterol in very large HDL particles
XL-HDL-C_%	Percentage of cholesterol in very large HDL particles
XL-HDL-CE	Cholesterol esters in very large HDL particles
XL-HDL-CE_%	Percentage of cholesterol esters in very large HDL particles
XL-HDL-FC	Free cholesterol in very large HDL particles
XL-HDL-FC_%	Percentage of free cholesterol in very large HDL particles
XL-HDL-L	Total lipids in very large HDL particles
XL-HDL-P	Concentration of very large HDL particles
XL-HDL-PL	Phospholipids in very large HDL particles

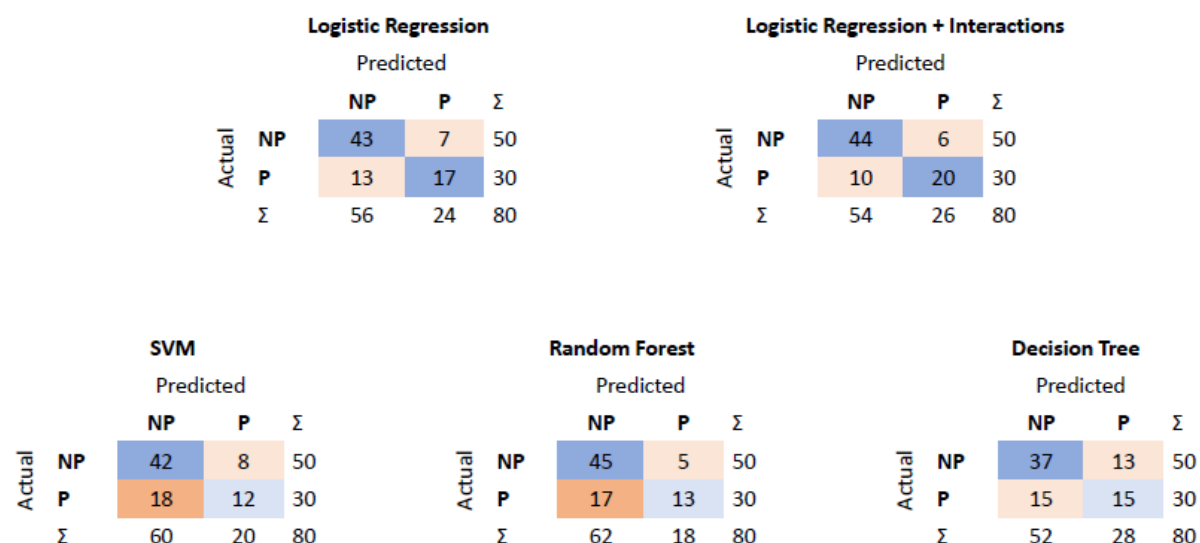
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XL-VLDL-PL_%	Percentage of phospholipids in very large VLDL particles
XL-VLDL-TG	Triglycerides in very large VLDL particles
XL-VLDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in very large VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-C	Total cholesterol in very small VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-C_%	Percentage of cholesterol in very small VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-CE	Cholesterol esters in very small VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-CE_%	Percentage of cholesterol esters in very small VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-FC	Free cholesterol in very small VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-FC_%	Percentage of free cholesterol in very small VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-L	Total lipids in very small VLDL particles
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XS-VLDL-PL	Phospholipids in very small VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-PL_%	Percentage of phospholipids in very small VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-TG	Triglycerides in very small VLDL particles
XS-VLDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in very small VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-C	Total cholesterol in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-C_%	Percentage of cholesterol in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-CE	Cholesterol esters in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-CE_%	Percentage of cholesterol esters in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-FC	Free cholesterol in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-FC_%	Percentage of free cholesterol in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-L	Total lipids in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-P	Concentration of chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-PL	Phospholipids in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles

XXL-VLDL-PL_%	Percentage of phospholipids in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-TG	Triglycerides in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles
XXL-VLDL-TG_%	Percentage of triglycerides in chylomicrons and extremely large VLDL particles

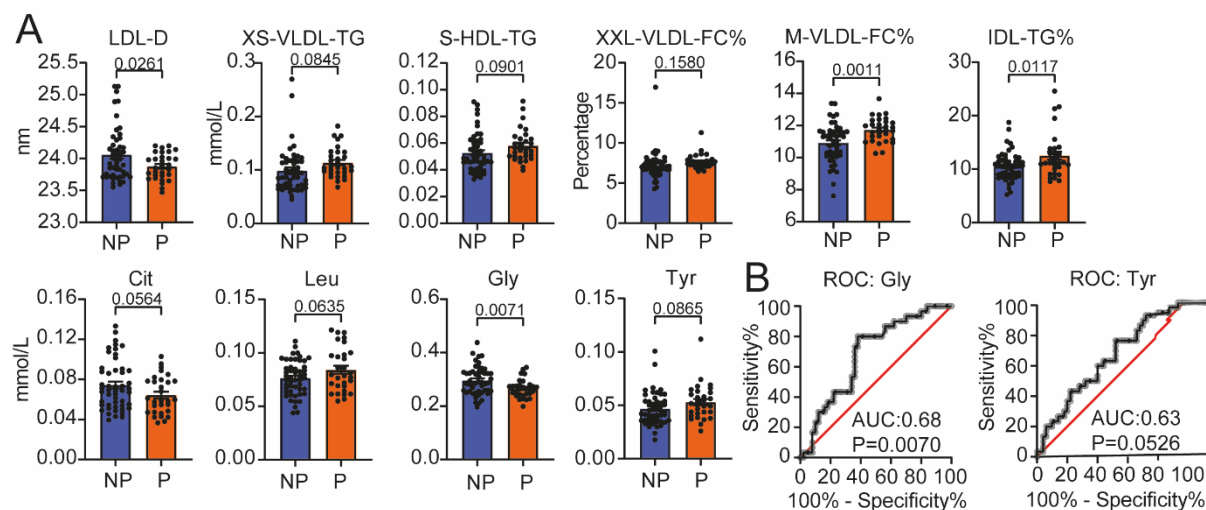
**Supplementary Table 2: Significant correlations between metabolites and clinical scores.** Correlations between metabolites and patient clinical characteristics (Figure 4). Pearson's product moment correlation coefficients and p values in brackets. Only correlations with p value below 0.05 are shown.

	Disease Duration	GSM	BILAG	Plaque Number	Total Plaque Thickness	TPA
<b>L.VLDL.TG:Lac</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.371 (0.043)
<b>IDL.CE:GloI</b>	NA	0.411 (0.024)	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>XL.HDL.TG:GloI</b>	NA	0.439 (0.015)	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>DHA.FA:Age</b>	NA	NA	-0.386 (0.034)	NA	NA	NA
<b>Gly:XS.VLDL.CE_%</b>	NA	-0.444 (0.013)	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>His:XS.VLDL.CE_%</b>	NA	-0.398 (0.029)	NA	-0.377 (0.039)	-0.392 (0.032)	NA
<b>Tyr:Dis_Dur</b>	0.913 (<0.00001)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>M.VLDL.FC_.: L.LDL.FC_%</b>	NA	NA	0.369 (0.044)	NA	NA	NA
<b>LDL-D</b>	NA	-0.438 (0.015)	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>XS-VLDL-TG</b>	NA	0.479 (0.007)	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>S-HDL-TG</b>	NA	0.493 (0.005)	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>M-VLDL-FC_%</b>	NA	NA	0.384 (0.036)	NA	NA	NA

## 2 Supplementary Figures



**Supplementary Figure 1: Confusion Matrices.** The confusion matrix shows the number of correct (blue squares) and incorrect (orange squares) classifications for each model. The sum ( $\Sigma$ ) of each row and column is given. The algorithms used were lasso logistic regression (LR), logistic regression with interactions (LR+I), support vector machine (SVM), random forest (RF), and decision tree (Tree). Performance metrics in table 2 for all five models are based on these confusion matrices.



**Supplementary Figure 2. Identification of important metabolites separating patients with SLE-P from SLE-NP.** (A) Bar graphs showing metabolite levels between SLE-P and SLE-NP for each metabolite identified by univariate logistic regression, random forest (RF), Lasso logistic regression (LR) analysis (see Figure 2A-C). Mean, T tests and p values shown. (B). Metabolites which featured in the top ten of LR and RF were further analysed in a ROC plot (See Figure 2B and 2D).



### **3 Supplementary Data Files**

#### **Supplementary Data File 1**

Excel file containing the correlation matrix used for homology reduction.

#### **Supplementary Data File 2**

Lists of predictors for the support vector machine (SVM), random forest (RF), and logistic regression (LR) models. These lists include both metabolic and clinical/demographic predictors. For LR models negative beta-coefficients indicate a reduced likelihood of plaque development.

#### **Supplementary Data File 3**

Excel spreadsheet containing the results of logistic regression for individual metabolites, accompanying Supplementary Figure 4. P-values <0.05 are given in red text.

#### **Supplementary Data File 4**

PDF containing the forest plot visualization of the results of the logistic regression for individual metabolites. P-values <0.05 are given in coloured in circles.