Evidence for Large-Scale Gene-by-Smoking Interaction Effects on Pulmonary Function

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Single SNP-by-smoking interaction

The analysis performed in this study used summary statistics data from a previous meta-analysis of 19 studies.¹ In brief, each of the 19 studies derived the residuals of FEV₁ and FEV₁/FVC after regressing out age, age², sex, standing height, principal component eigenvectors of genotypes and recruitment site if applicable. The residuals were then transformed to z-scores so that both phenotypes were normally distributed with mean 0 and variance 1. Assuming $E = (E_1, ..., E_3)$ is a vector of smoking exposures including smoking status (ever/never), current smoking, and pack-years, E_k is the exposure tested for interaction (either smoking status or pack-years), and Y is the outcome (either FEV₁ or FEV₁/FVC), they used models that saturate the main effect of smoking but only included a single interaction term:

$$Y \sim \beta_0 + \beta_G G + \beta_{GE_k} GE_k + \sum_{l=1\dots3} \beta_{E_l} E_l \qquad (\text{Equation 1})$$

where β_G and β_{E_l} are the main effect of G and exposure E_l , β_{GE_k} is the interaction effect between Gand exposure E_k , and β_0 the intercept. For each SNP, each outcome, and each interacting exposure E_k , Hancock et al.¹ used $\hat{\beta}_G$ and $\hat{\beta}_{GE_k}$, their variance $\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_G}$ and $\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_{GE_k}}$, and their covariance from Equation 1 estimated within each study, and derived a meta-analysis joint test of β_G and β_{GE_k} . In this study, we used only the estimate of the interaction effect and its standard deviation ($\hat{\beta}_{GE_k}$ and $\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_{GE_k}}$), derived across all studies as part of the aforementioned meta-analysis, in order to perform multivariate tests of interaction effects across multiple genetic variants. Finally, for clarity, main genetic effect refers to the estimated effect of genetic variants among never smokers, derived from a model with the interaction term. In contrast, marginal genetic effect refers to the estimated average genetic effect across all smoking categories, derived from a model without the interaction term.

Model characteristics

The main effect of smoking variables in the interaction model β_{E_l} , l = (1, ... 3) in Equation 1 were not available in the summary statistics data. However their marginal effects, derived in a multivariate model similar to the one used in the genome-wide association (GWAS) but without the genetic component (no SNP main effect or SNP-by-smoking interaction effect), were available for each of the 19 studies.¹ For each of the three smoking exposures E, we first derived γ_{mE} , their marginal effect over all studies, using a standard inverse variance-weighted meta-analysis of study-specific estimates.

Using γ_{mE} , we then estimated γ_{E_l} , l = (1, ... 3), the main effect of smoking exposure from the genetic risk score (GRS)-by-smoking interaction model (*Equation 2*). For exposures $E_{l\neq k}$ not modelled to interact with the SNPs, the main effect was assumed to be equal to the marginal effect ($\gamma_{E_{l\neq k}} = \gamma_{mE_{l\neq k}}$). For E_k , the interacting exposure, the main effect estimate was approximated using the relationship defined in ²:

$$\gamma_{E_k} = \gamma_{mE_k} - \gamma_{INT} \times \mu_{GRS}$$

where γ_{INT} is the interaction effect between the GRS and E_k , and μ_{GRS} is the mean of the GRS. The validity of this approximation mostly relies on independence between the GRS and E_k , but remains valid for low to moderate correlation (e.g. <0.1).

We then derived the mean and variance of each exposure across all studies using the sample size-weighted average. Study-specific descriptive statistics were available for all studies for ever/never smoking and pack-years, and for the largest studies for current smoking (Framingham Heart Study, Cardiovascular Health Study, Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities, LifeLines, European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition, and British 1958 Birth Cohort). The means were used to approximate γ_0 , the intercept of the interaction models with the GRS (*Equation 2*). As both outcomes were standardized to have mean 0, γ_0 equals the opposite of the average effect of all predictors:

$$\gamma_0 = -\gamma_{GRS} \times \mu_{GRS} - \gamma_{INT} \times \mu_{GRS \times E_k} - \sum_{l=1\dots 3} (\gamma_{E_l} \times \mu_{E_l})$$

where $\mu_{\rm l}$ are the mean of the predictors considered.

Derivation of Relative risk in ever smokers against never-smokers

We aimed at estimating the joint probability of having both FEV₁/FVC in the interval $[-\infty, \text{FEV}_1/\text{FVC}_{up}]$ and the GRS in the interval $[GRS_{low}, GRS_{up}]$, which can be expressed as the following integral:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\text{FEV}_1/\text{FVC}_{up}} \int_{GRS_{low}} f_1(y|g) \times f_2(g) \, dy \, dg$$

In practice, we derived the bivariate cumulative distribution function of the GRS and FEV₁/FVC independently for ever-smokers and never-smokers using the R function *pmvnorm* from R package *mvtnorm* and the estimated effects from the interaction model. We assumed a normal conditional distribution of $\frac{\text{FEV}_1}{FVC}$, which was standardized in the original analysis (i.e. $\sigma_{\frac{FEV_1}{FVC}}^2 = 1$), so that $\frac{\text{FEV}_1}{FVC} \sim \mathcal{N}(\gamma_0 + \gamma_{GRS} \times \mu_{GRS}, 1)$ in never smokers and $\frac{\text{FEV}_1}{FVC} \sim \mathcal{N}(\gamma_0 + (\gamma_{GRS} + \gamma_{INT}) \times \mu_{GRS} + \gamma_{E_k} + \sum_l (\gamma_{E_l} \times \mu_{E_l} | E_k = 1), 1)$ in ever smokers, where E_k is the ever-never smoking variable, γ_{E_k} its effect as defined in *Equation 2*, and μ are the mean of the predictors considered. We assumed the GRS was independent of the smoking variable, so that its distribution simply equals $\mathcal{N}(\mu_{GRS}, \sigma_{GRS})$. The covariance term of the bivariate distributions was defined as the GRS effect specific to each group times the standard deviation of the GRS, i.e. $cov \left(GRS, \frac{\text{FEV}_1}{FVC} | non - smokers \right) = \gamma_{GRS} \times \sigma_{GRS}$, and $cov \left(GRS, \frac{\text{FEV}_1}{FVC} | ever - smokers \right) = (\gamma_{GRS} + \gamma_{INT}) \times \sigma_{GRS}$.

Replication study

Two replication datasets were used. The first dataset included 8859 unrelated individuals recruited as part of three studies: Lothian Birth Cohort 1936 (LBC1936, n=991), United Kingdom Household Longitudinal Study (UKHLS, n=7,449) and Young Finish Study (YFS, n=419). The second dataset of 9457 family-based samples included the following: CROATIA-Split (n=493); GS:SFHS (n=8,093); NSPHS (Northern Sweden Population Health Study, n=871). All datasets already had GWAS results available for marginal genetic effects stratified by ever-never smoking status as part of a recent meta-analysis of FEV₁ and FEV₁/FVC.³ Detailed description of individual studies can be found here³, except for UKLHS, which is described in the next section of this supplement. In brief, linear regression of age, age², sex, height and principal components for population structure was undertaken on FEV₁, FEV₁/FVC and FVC separately for ever smokers and never smokers. The residuals were transformed to ranks and then transformed to normally distributed z-scores. These transformed residuals were then used as the phenotype for association testing under an additive genetic model, separately for ever smokers and never smokers.

Assuming the following stratified models for each SNP G_i , where G_i is coded additively (0, 1, or 2 corresponding to the number of coded allele): $Y_N \sim \gamma_0 + \gamma_{G_{i,never}} \times G_{i,never} + \gamma_{\mathbf{C}} \times \mathbf{C}$ in never smokers, and $Y_S \sim \gamma_0 + \gamma_{G_{i,ever}} \times G_{i,ever} + \gamma_{\mathbf{C}} \times \mathbf{C}$ in ever smokers, where γ_0 is the intercept, $\gamma_{G_{i,never}}$ is the marginal genetic effect in never smokers and $\gamma_{G_{i,ever}}$ is the marginal genetic effect in ever smokers, and $\gamma_{\mathbf{C}}$ is the effect of the covariates \mathbf{C} . Single-SNP interaction effect estimates ($\hat{\beta}_{INT_i}$) and standard error ($\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_{INT_i}}$) were approximated using the following equations:

 $\hat{\beta}_{INT_{i}} = \hat{\gamma}_{G_{i.ever}} - \hat{\gamma}_{G_{i.never}}$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_{INT_{i}}} = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{\gamma_{G_{i,ever}}}^{2} + \hat{\sigma}_{\gamma_{G_{i,never}}}^{2} - 2 \rho \,\hat{\sigma}_{\gamma_{G_{i,ever}}} \hat{\sigma}_{\gamma_{G_{i,never}}}}$$

Where ρ is the Spearman rank correlation estimates between $\hat{\gamma}_{G_{i.ever}}$ and $\hat{\gamma}_{G_{i.never}}$ derived across all SNPs from the GWAS. However, for cohorts of unrelated individuals, we assumed $\rho = 0$, so that $\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_{INT_i}}$ simplifies to:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_{INT_{i}}} = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{\gamma_{G_{i.ever}}}^{2} + \hat{\sigma}_{\gamma_{G_{i.never}}}^{2}}$$

We then performed a meta-analysis of each SNP G_i across K studies using standard inverse-variance formula, i.e.:

$$\hat{\beta}_{INT_{i}.META} = \frac{\sum_{\kappa} \frac{\hat{\beta}_{INT_{i}}}{\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_{INT_{i}}}^{2}}}{\sum_{\kappa} \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_{INT_{i}}}^{2}}}$$
$$\hat{\sigma}_{INT_{i}.META} = \frac{1}{\sum_{\kappa} \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}_{\beta_{INT_{i}}}^{2}}}$$

GRS-by-ever smoking interaction was then derived using the approach described in the Method section.

UKHLS

The UKLHS, also known as Understanding Society (https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk) is a longitudinal panel survey of 40,000 households (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) that are representative of the UK population. Beginning in 2009, participants are surveyed annually and contribute information relating to their socioeconomic circumstances, attitudes, and behaviors via a computer-assisted interview. The study includes phenotypic data for a representative sample of participants for a wide range of social and economic indicators as well as a biological sample collection encompassing biometric, physiological, biochemical, and hematological measurements and self-reported medical history and medication use. The UKHLS has been approved by the University of Essex Ethics Committee, and informed consent was obtained from every participant.

For a subset of individuals who took part in a nurse health assessment, blood samples were taken and genomic DNA extracted. Of these, 10,484 samples were genotyped at the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute using the Illumina Infinium HumanCoreExome-12 v1.0BeadChip.

Lung function measures in samples from England and Wales were conducted with the NDD Easy On-PC spirometer (NDD Medical Technologies, Zurich, Switzerland). Participants were excluded in the following cases: pregnancy, having had abdominal or chest surgery in the past 3 weeks, admitted to the hospital

with a heart complaint in the past 6 weeks, having had recent eye surgery in the past 4 weeks, or in case of having a tracheostomy. Subjects were asked to perform up to 8 blows that ideally lasted at least 6 seconds, uninterrupted by coughing, glottis closure, laughing or leakage of air. Upon completion, the measurements were rated either acceptable or unacceptable by the NDD Easy On-PC software.

The study included 3,293 males (44.2%) and 4,509 (60.5%) ever smokers. Average age was 53.10 (SD=15.94), average FEV₁ (in liter) was 2.89 (SD=0.90), and average FEV₁/FVC was 0.753 (SD=0.09).

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chr	Gene	SNP	MAF [*]	A1	FEV ₁			FEV1/FVC			
					beta	sd	р	beta	sd	Ρ	Ν
1	MFAP2	rs2284746	0.499	G	0.008	0.007	0.278	-0.042	0.007	2.47x10 ⁻⁹	45944
1	TGFB2	rs993925	0.305	т	0.025	0.007	0.00151	0.04	0.007	2.54x10 ⁻⁷	42402
2	HDAC4	rs12477314	0.201	т	0.032	0.008	0.000277	0.052	0.008	4.48x10 ⁻⁹	45585
2	TNS1	rs2571445	0.396	G	0.047	0.007	9.83x10 ⁻¹¹	0.033	0.007	4.46x10 ⁻⁶	45839
3	RARB	rs1529672	0.160	С	-0.037	0.009	0.000178	-0.06	0.009	7.75x10 ⁻¹⁰	40624
3	MECOM	rs1344555	0.203	Т	-0.042	0.008	1.91x10 ⁻⁶	-0.019	0.008	0.0261	46067
4	FAM13A	rs2045517	0.400	Т	-0.012	0.007	0.0893	-0.047	0.007	2x10 ⁻¹¹	47675
4	GSTCD-NPNT	rs10516526	0.066	G	0.108	0.014	4.75x10 ⁻¹⁴	0.039	0.014	0.00617	47970
4	HHIP	rs11100860 ^a	0.441	G (T)	0.047	0.007	4.27x10 ⁻⁹	0.064	0.007	6.81x10 ⁻²⁰	47876
5	SPATA9	rs153916	0.454	Т	-0.001	0.007	0.891	-0.033	0.007	2.06x10 ⁻⁶	47530
5	ADAM19	rs11134779	0.359	G	-0.027	0.007	0.00024	-0.042	0.007	6.01x10 ⁻⁹	48075
5	HTR4	rs11168048 ^b	0.402	T (G)	-0.048	0.007	2.43x10 ⁻¹⁰	-0.047	0.007	5.97x10 ⁻¹¹	44976
6	ZKSCAN3	rs6903823	0.206	G	-0.046	0.008	2x10 ⁻⁷	-0.027	0.008	0.00228	47057
6	NCR3	rs2857595	0.160	G	0.04	0.009	1.46x10 ⁻⁵	0.049	0.009	7.86x10 ⁻⁸	45540
6	ARMC2	rs2798641	0.179	Т	-0.046	0.009	5.39x10 ⁻⁷	-0.047	0.009	2.81x10 ⁻⁷	46369
6	AGER	rs2070600	0.050	Т	0.025	0.016	0.127	0.126	0.016	9.07x10 ⁻¹⁵	46314
6	LOC153910 ^c	rs262129	0.294	G	0.031	0.008	5.44x10 ⁻⁵	0.056	0.008	2.91x10 ⁻¹³	47014
9	PTCH1	rs16909859	0.090	G	-0.014	0.013	0.293	0.08	0.013	7.45x10 ⁻¹⁰	43353
10	CDC123	rs7068966	0.492	Т	0.04	0.007	1.19x10 ⁻⁸	0.045	0.007	1.28x10 ⁻¹⁰	47085
10	C10orf11	rs11001819	0.470	G	-0.041	0.007	1.42x10 ⁻⁸	-0.019	0.007	0.0065	45546
12	LRP1	rs11172113	0.396	Т	-0.021	0.007	0.00355	-0.035	0.007	1.36x10 ⁻⁶	45387
12	CCDC38	rs1036429	0.186	Т	0.01	0.008	0.267	0.049	0.008	1.24x10 ⁻⁸	47814
15	THSD4	rs8033889	0.202	Т	-0.044	0.009	3.01x10 ⁻⁷	-0.072	0.008	2.03x10 ⁻¹⁷	46995
16	MMP15	rs12447804	0.195	Т	-0.017	0.009	0.0802	-0.053	0.009	7.12x10 ⁻⁸	35123
16	CFDP1	rs2865531	0.429	Т	0.024	0.007	0.00063	0.039	0.007	2.3x10 ⁻⁸	47594
21	KCNE2	rs9978142	0.144	Т	-0.012	0.009	0.247	-0.048		8.23x10 ⁻⁷	44577

Supplementary Table 1. Effect estimates from SNPs associated with cross-sectional FEV $_1$ or FEV $_1$ /FVC measures.

Effect estimates and standard deviation of the 26 selected SNPs were extracted from stage 1 analysis of Soler Artigas et al⁵ We only included SNPs that were analyzed using at least 50% of the total sample at stage 1 (N>24,100). A1 is the coded allele.

* From 1000Genomes European population

^aSNP rs1032296 was used instead of rs11100860 for FEV₁.

^bSNP rs1985524 was used instead of rs11168048 for FEV₁.

^cThis locus is adjacent to the originally implicated GPR126 gene.

SNP ID	FEV ₁					FEV ₁ /FVC					
	Smoking status		Pack-year		Smokin	g status	Pack-year				
	beta	P-val	beta	P-val	beta	P-val	Beta	P-val			
rs2284746	0.005	0.66	3.4x10 ⁻⁵	0.61	-0.003	0.78	3.9x10 ⁻⁵	0.56			
rs993925	-0.036	0.0070	-1.9x10 ⁻⁵	0.80	-0.011	0.44	-3.4x10 ⁻⁵	0.68			
rs12477314	-0.004	0.81	-9.0x10 ⁻⁶	0.92	0.003	0.87	-1.9x10 ⁻⁴	0.035			
rs2571445	-0.027	0.040	4.1x10 ⁻⁵	0.56	-0.024	0.070	1.1x10 ⁻⁵	0.88			
rs1529672	-0.016	0.37	7.5x10 ⁻⁵	0.40	-0.028	0.11	2.1x10 ⁻⁴	0.029			
rs1344555	-0.020	0.19	7.5x10⁻⁵	0.36	-0.008	0.63	-3.9x10 ⁻⁵	0.66			
rs2045517	-0.008	0.54	-9.2x10 ⁻⁵	0.18	-0.027	0.039	-3.4x10 ⁻⁵	0.66			
rs10516526	-0.035	0.16	-2.2x10 ⁻⁴	0.12	-0.040	0.11	-3.9x10 ⁻⁵	0.77			
rs11100860 ^a	0.008	0.53	-1.2x10 ⁻⁵	0.87	-0.008	0.67	-3.1x10 ⁻⁵	0.95			
rs153916	-0.008	0.50	1.1x10 ⁻⁴	0.090	-0.010	0.45	-4.0x10 ⁻⁵	0.56			
rs11134779	-0.012	0.36	-4.6x10 ⁻⁵	0.51	-0.015	0.24	6.0x10 ⁻⁵	0.42			
rs11168048 ^b	-0.010	0.44	-2.4x10 ⁻⁵	0.72	-0.026	0.028	-3.6x10 ⁻⁵	0.23			
rs6903823	0.005	0.72	4.1x10 ⁻⁵	0.59	-0.021	0.17	4.5x10 ⁻⁵	0.58			
rs2857595	-0.024	0.12	-1.2x10 ⁻⁴	0.13	-0.028	0.080	9.8x10 ⁻⁶	0.91			
rs2798641	-0.002	0.89	-1.7x10 ⁻⁴	0.041	-0.026	0.11	-1.7x10 ⁻⁵	0.86			
rs2070600	-0.022	0.46	-1.1x10 ⁻⁴	0.39	0.019	0.51	-7.0x10 ⁻⁵	0.62			
rs262129	-0.001	0.97	-8.6x10 ⁻⁵	0.25	0.001	0.95	7.0x10 ⁻⁵	0.34			
rs16909859	0.014	0.53	2.2x10 ⁻⁶	0.99	0.032	0.17	3.8x10 ⁻⁶	0.98			
rs7068966	-0.005	0.66	1.9x10 ⁻⁵	0.78	-0.021	0.090	-1.6x10 ⁻⁴	0.024			
rs11001819	0.001	0.94	-3.3x10 ⁻⁵	0.62	0.022	0.080	-2.0x10 ⁻⁵	0.77			
rs11172113	0.011	0.41	1.5×10^{-4}	0.033	0.000	0.97	-4.3x10 ⁻⁵	0.54			
rs1036429	-0.005	0.72	3.0x10 ⁻⁵	0.71	-0.022	0.14	2.5x10 ⁻⁵	0.76			
rs8033889	0.007	0.62	-5.1x10 ⁻⁵	0.52	0.006	0.71	-1.1x10 ⁻⁵	0.90			
rs12447804	-0.005	0.78	-5.2x10 ⁻⁴	0.28	-0.014	0.42	-7.0x10 ⁻⁴	0.15			
rs2865531	-0.011	0.39	3.2x10 ⁻⁵	0.62	0.017	0.18	9.3x10 ⁻⁵	0.19			
rs9978142	0.017	0.33	5.5x10 ⁻⁵	0.58	-0.020	0.26	1.6x10 ⁻⁴	0.14			

Supplementary Table 2. Significance of univariate interaction effects for the 26 selected SNPs.

Nominally significant tests are indicated in bold. Betas were derived for the trait-decreasing alleles based on Table E1. SNPs are listed in order of chromosomal position as in Table S1.

^aSNP rs1032296 was used instead of rs11100860 for FEV₁.

^bSNP rs1985524 was used instead of rs11168048 for FEV₁.

Study (Country of origin)	Sample size	Age (year)	Height (cm)	Never-smokers	Ever-smokers	Pack-years	FEV ₁ (mL)	FVC (mL)	FEV ₁ /FVC (%)
	N (% female)	Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)	N (%)	N (%)	Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)	Mean (SD)
AGES (Iceland)	1,696 (59.4)	76.2 <i>(5.6)</i>	166.7 <i>(9.4)</i>	813 (47.9)	883 (52.1)	24.5 <i>(21.9)</i>	2,128 (690)	2,865 (848)	73.9 (10.5)
ARIC (US)	8,934 <i>(52.7)</i>	54.3 <i>(5.7)</i>	168.8 <i>(9.4)</i>	3,620 (40.5)	5,314 <i>(59.5)</i>	28.9 (21.6)	2,943 (744)	3,993 <i>(980)</i>	73.7 (7.9)
B58C (UK)	4,605 <i>(50.3)</i>	44.5 <i>(0.4)</i>	169.2 <i>(9.3)</i>	1,376 <i>(29.9)</i>	3,229 (70.1)	15.7 <i>(12.1)</i>	3,288 (757)	4,164 (980)	79.5 <i>(8.1)</i>
CARDIA (US)	1,605 <i>(52.8)</i>	25.6 <i>(3.3)</i>	171.3 <i>(9.3)</i>	932 <i>(58.1)</i>	673 (41.9)	5.5 <i>(5.5)</i>	3,684 (810)	4,702 (1,010)	82.2 (6.4)
CHS (US)	3,140 <i>(61.0)</i>	72.3 (5.4)	164.6 <i>(9.4)</i>	1543 (49.1)	1597 <i>(50.9)</i>	33.2 <i>(26.9)</i>	2,116 (659)	3,005 (866)	70.5 <i>(10.5)</i>
ECRHS (EU) ¹	1,573 <i>(50.8)</i>	33.9 <i>(7.2)</i>	170.7 (9.5)	699 <i>(43.9)</i>	895 (56.1)	12.8 (12.6)	3,778 (825)	4,595 <i>(1029)</i>	82.6 (6.6)
EPIC obese cases (EU) ²	1,084 <i>(57.8)</i>	59.1 <i>(8.8)</i>	165.93 <i>(9.24)</i>	489 (44.3)	595 <i>(54.9)</i>	18.2 (14.1)	2,355 (694)	2,839 (872)	83.8 (10.2)
EPIC population-based (EU) ²	2,294 (53.6)	59.1 <i>(9.0)</i>	167.0 <i>(8.9)</i>	1,062 (46.3)	1,232 (53.7)	15.8 <i>(13.4)</i>	2,500 (718)	3,042 (903)	83.1 <i>(10.8)</i>
FHS (US)	7,694 <i>(53.9)</i>	51.9 <i>(14.6)</i>	168.5 <i>(9.7)</i>	3,556 (46.2)	4,138 <i>(53.8)</i>	22.8 (21.5)	3,038 <i>(944)</i>	4,025 (1,144)	75.1 <i>(8.0)</i>
Health ABC (US)	1,472 (46.6)	73.7 (2.8)	167.1 <i>(9.3)</i>	641 (43.6)	831 (56.5)	36.6 <i>(32.0)</i>	2,312 (656)	3,113 (812)	74.1 (7.7)
LifeLines (Netherlands)	2,616 <i>(59.9)</i>	54.2 <i>(9.5)</i>	173.0 (9.1)	981 <i>(37.7)</i>	1,621 (52.3)	14.5 <i>(12.6)</i>	3,172 (804)	4,233 (1,007)	75.0 <i>(7.5)</i>
MESA (US)	1,403 (51.0)	66.0 <i>(9.7)</i>	168.5 <i>(9.7)</i>	636 <i>(45.3)</i>	767 (54.7)	27.5 (24.4)	2,566 (<i>763</i>)	3,505 (999.6)	73.4 (8.4)
NFBC1966 (Finland)	3,564 <i>(50.5)</i>	31 (0.0)	171.5 <i>(9.3)</i>	1,648 (46.2)	1916 (53.8)	9.6 <i>(7.9)</i>	3,969 <i>(791)</i>	4,744 (989)	84.1 <i>(6.5)</i>
RS-I (Netherlands)	1,196 <i>(58.9)</i>	74.4 (5.7)	166.7 <i>(8.9)</i>	408 (34.1)	788 <i>(65.9)</i>	24.9 <i>(19.6)</i>	2,334 (735)	3,183 <i>(927)</i>	73.2 (8.2)
RS-II (Netherlands)	840 (55.6)	67.1 <i>(6.2)</i>	168.3 <i>(8.9)</i>	287 (34.2)	553 <i>(65.8)</i>	23.1 (19.2)	2,716 <i>(779)</i>	3,615 <i>(1,077)</i>	75.9 <i>(9.1)</i>
RS-III (Netherlands)	1,224 (56.8)	56.6 <i>(5.6)</i>	171.2 (9.3)	425 (34.7)	799 (65.3)	18.2 <i>(16.0)</i>	3,159 <i>(851)</i>	4,059 (1,138)	78.4 (9.0)
SAPALDIA Switzerland)	1,333 (52.6)	41.1 (11.2)	169.4 <i>(9.0)</i>	626 (47.0)	707 (53.0)	17.3 (18.0)	3,524 (860)	4,494 (1,038)	78.5 (8.2)
SHIP (Germany)	1,768 (51.2)	52.4 (13.6)	169.7 <i>(9.1)</i>	770 (43.6)	998 (56.4)	12.8 (12.0)	3,280 <i>(894)</i>	3,869 (1,030)	84.8 <i>(6.5)</i>
TwinsUK (UK)	2,006 (100)	54.2 (14.1)	161.8 <i>(6.4)</i>	1,242 (61.9)	764 (38.1)	13.7 <i>(21.4)</i>	2,599 (606)	3,251 (650)	79.7 (7.7)

Supplementary Table 3. Descriptive statistics of the 19 studies used in the initial screening.

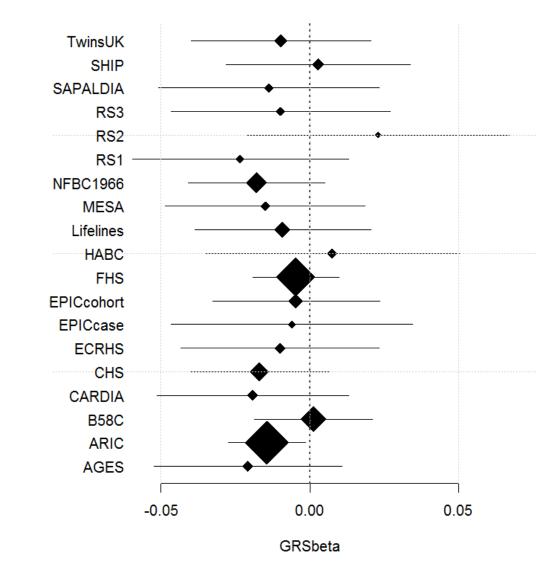
AGES, Age, Gene/Environment Susceptibility; ARIC, Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities; B58C, British 1958 Cohort; CARDIA, Coronary Artery Risk Development in Young Adults; CHS, Cardiovascular Health Study; ECRHS, European Community Respiratory Health Survey; EPIC, European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition; FEV₁, forced expiratory volume in the first second; FVC, forced vital capacity; FHS, Framingham Heart Study; Health ABC, Health, Aging, and Body Composition Study; MESA, Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis; NFBC1966, Northern Finland Birth Cohort of 1966; RS, Rotterdam Study (cohorts I-III); SAPALDIA, Swiss Study on Air Pollution and Lung Diseases in Adults; SD, standard deviation; SHIP, Study of Health in Pomerania; SNP, single nucleotide polymorphism.

¹The genetics data used in ECRHS includes participants from 16 centers across 8 European countries (Estonia, France, Germany, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and UK).

² EPIC includes participants from 10 European countries: Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, The Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.

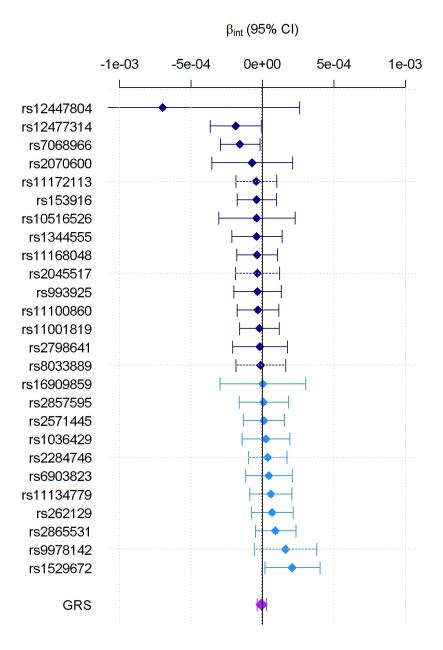
Supplementary Figure 1. Forest plot of the GRS-by-ever smoking effect on FEV₁/FVC.

Effect estimate and 95% confidence interval are plotted for each of the 19 studies.



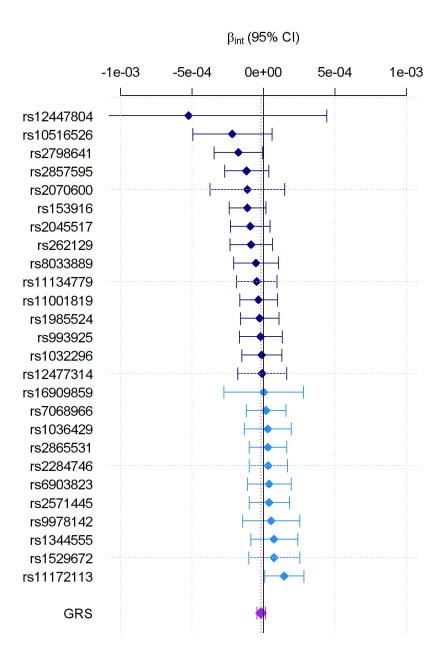
Supplementary Figure 2. Distribution of SNP-by-pack years interaction effects on FEV₁/FVC.

Single SNP risk allele-by-pack years interaction effect estimates (β_{int}) and 95% confidence intervals are plotted by increasing values. Negative and positive interactions are in dark blue and light blue, respectively. The unweighted GRS-by-pack years interaction is plotted in purple.



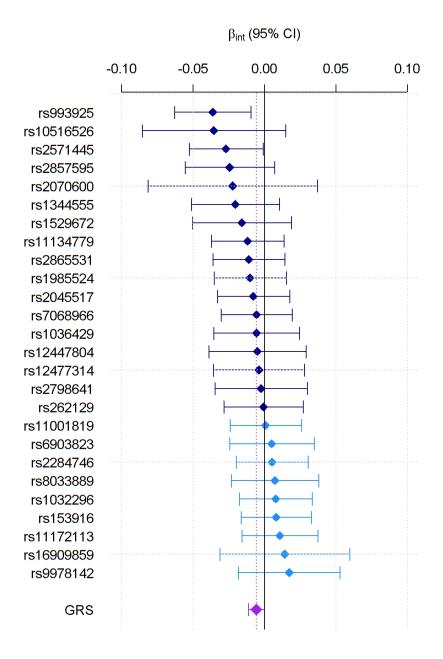
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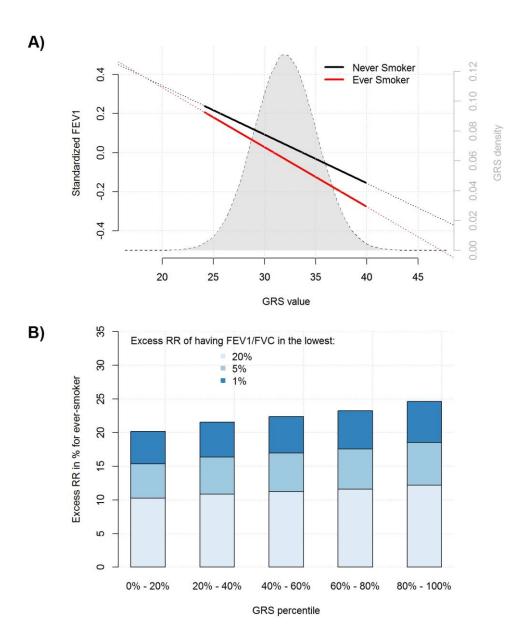
Supplementary Figure 4. Distribution of SNP-by-smoking status interaction effects on FEV₁.

Single SNP risk allele-by-smoking status (ever/never) interaction effect estimates (β_{int}) and 95% confidence intervals are plotted by increasing values. Negative and positive interactions are in dark blue and light blue, respectively. The unweighted GRS-by-smoking status interaction is plotted in purple.



Supplementary Figure 5. Overview of the unweighted genetic risk score by smoking interaction effect on FEV₁.

Upper panel (A) presents the distribution of the unweighted genetic risk score (GRS, grey density plot) and the relationship between the unweighted GRS and standardized FEV_1 in ever smokers (red line) and never-smokers (black line). Lower panel (B) shows the excess relative risk (RR) of having FEV_1 in the lowest 1%, 5% and 20% of the population for ever smokers as compared to never smokers, stratified by GRS quintiles.



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