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SNP	Chr	Position	Cana*	Discovery	Replication	Overall	Overall
		(hg19)	Gene*	Р	Р	Р	Ν
rs12599112	16	82718711	CDH13	2.3x10 ⁻⁸	0.895	5.0x10 ⁻⁸	86,213
rs10927848	1	16075906	TMEM82	2.6x10 ⁻⁷	0.291	1.9x10 ⁻⁷	103,219

Supplementary Table 3. Dichotomous trait replication results

Cohorts - Airwave, ASPS, B58C, FinnTwin_replication, GRAPHIC, GS:SFHS, INGI_CARL,

INGI_FVG, INGI_VB, LBC1921, LBC1936, PROSPER

The most significant SNP per locus is displayed in the tables.

* Loci are named according to the closest gene based on the position of the most significant SNP

Supplementary Table 4. Gene expression in peripheral blood in the Framingham Heart Study

Offspring Cohort	Third Generation Cohort (examination cycle 2:	
(examination cycle 8:		
2005-2008)	2008-2011)	
n=2,222	n=3,014	
1,221 (54.95)	1,603 (53.10)	
66.41 (8.95)	46.88 (8.79)	
28.04 (5.87)	28.31 (5.5.30)	
	(examination cycle 8: 2005-2008) n=2,222 1,221 (54.95) 66.41 (8.95)	

(A) Demographics for gene expression analysis in Framingham Heart study

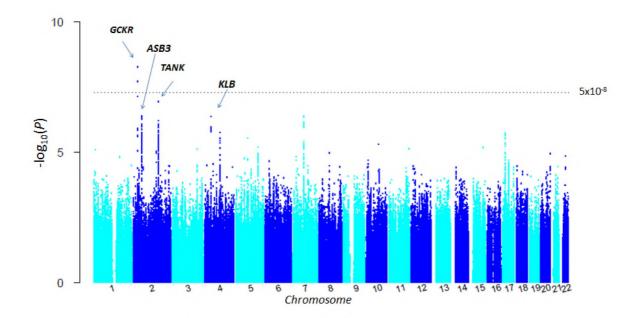
BMI: Body mass index

(B) Association of KLB SNP rs11940694 with gene expression									
	chr	position	Effect	Beta	<i>P</i> -value				
		1	allele						
rs11940694	4	39414993	А	0.00409	0.165				

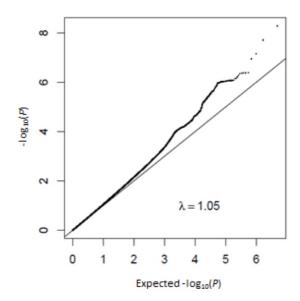
2. Supplementary Figures

Supplementary Figure 1. Manhattan and QQ plots for genome-wide association analysis of log g/day alcohol in AlcGen and CHARGE+ consortia

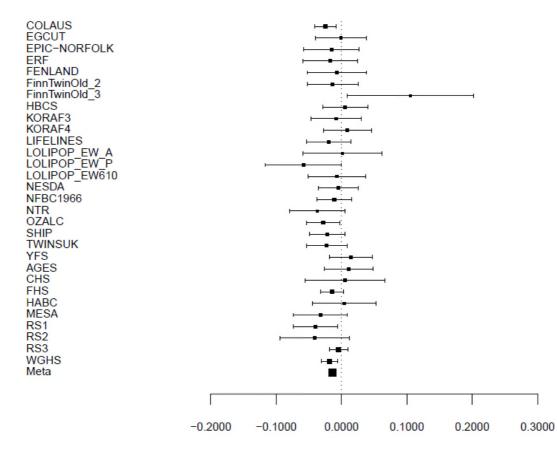
(A) Manhattan plot



(B) QQ plot

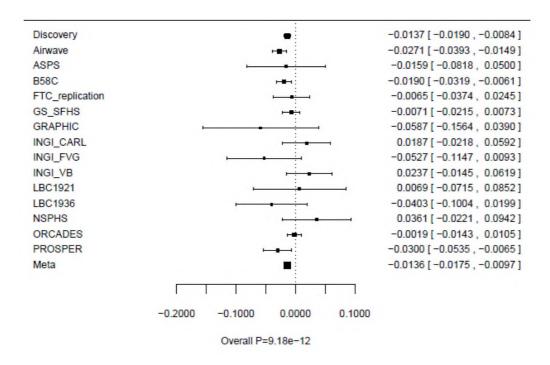


Supplementary Figure 2. Forest plot for the association of rs11940694 in *KLB* with log g/day alcohol in the discovery GWAS and replication cohorts



(A) rs11940694 in KLB in discovery GWAS cohorts

Discovery GWAS cohorts - AlcGen: Colaus, EGCUT, EPIC-Norfolk, ERF, Fenland, FinnTwinOld_2, HBCS, KORA F3 and F4, Lifelines, LOLIPOP (EW A, EW P, EW610), FinnTwinOld_3, NESDA, NFBC1966, NTR, OZALC, SHIP, TwinsUK, YFS; CHARGE+: AGES, CHS, FHS, HABC, MESA, RS1, RS2, RS2, and WGHS. In rs11940694, the coded allele was A, the non-coded allele was G. The allele frequency for A was ~ 0.42 in the entire sample. The beta/SE estimates were for A allele.

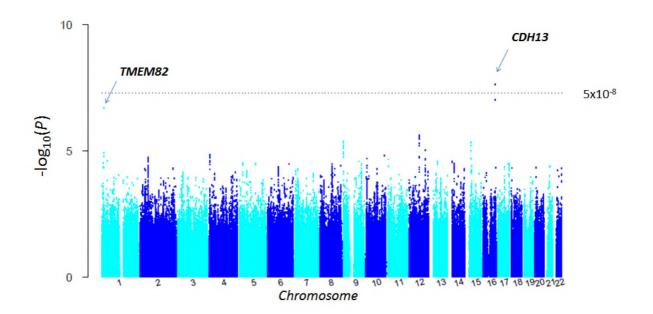


(B) rs11940694 in KLB in discovery + replication cohorts

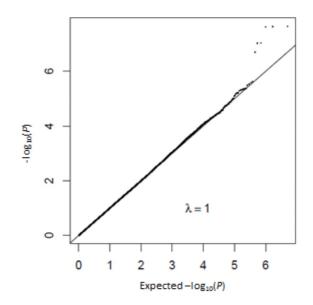
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(A) Manhattan plot



(B) QQ plot



Supplementary Figure 4. Behavior tests in brain-specific β-Klotho knockout

mice. Results from (A) novelty suppressed feeding, (B) elevated plus maze and (C) open field activity assays performed with control ($Klb^{fl/fl}$) and brain-specific β -Klotho-knockout (KlbCamk2a) mice (n=15/each group). Values are the time (seconds) spent for each step of the assay.

