

Identification of multiple risk loci and regulatory mechanisms influencing susceptibility to multiple myeloma

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ABSTRACT

Genome-wide association studies (GWAS) have transformed our understanding of susceptibility to multiple myeloma (MM), but much of the heritability remains unexplained. We report a new GWAS, a meta-analysis with previous GWAS and a replication series, totalling 9,974 MM cases and 247,556 controls of European ancestry. Collectively, these data provide evidence for six new MM risk loci, bringing the total number to 23. Integration of information from gene expression, epigenetic profiling and *in situ* Hi-C data for the 23 risk loci implicate disruption of developmental transcriptional regulators as a basis of MM susceptibility, compatible with altered B-cell differentiation as a key mechanism. Dysregulation of autophagy/apoptosis and cell cycle signalling feature as recurrently perturbed pathways. Our findings provide further insight into the biological basis of MM.

INTRODUCTION

Multiple myeloma (MM) is a malignancy of plasma cells primarily located within the bone marrow. Although no lifestyle or environmental exposures have been consistently linked to an increased risk of MM, the two- to four-fold increased risk observed in relatives of MM patients provides support for inherited genetic predisposition¹. Our understanding of MM susceptibility has recently been informed by genome-wide association studies (GWAS), which have so far identified 17 independent risk loci for MM²⁻⁵, with an additional locus being subtype-specific for t(11;14) translocation MM⁶. Much of the heritable risk of MM, however, remains unexplained and statistical modelling indicates that further common risk variants remain to be discovered⁷.

To gain a more comprehensive insight into MM aetiology, we performed a new GWAS followed by a meta-analysis with existing GWAS and replication genotyping (totalling 9,974 cases and 247,556 controls). Here we report the identification of six new MM susceptibility loci as well as refined risk estimates for the previously reported loci. In addition, we have investigated the possible gene regulatory mechanisms underlying the associations seen at all 23 GWAS risk loci by analysing *in situ* promoter Capture Hi-C (CHi-C) in MM cells to characterize chromatin interactions between predisposition single nucleotide polymorphism (SNPs) and target genes, integrating these data with chromatin immunoprecipitation-sequencing (ChIP-seq) data generated in house and a range of publicly available genomics data. Finally, we have quantified the contribution of both new and previously discovered loci to the heritable risk of MM and implemented a likelihood-based approach to estimate sample sizes required to explain 80% of the heritability.

RESULTS

Association analysis

We conducted a new GWAS using the OncoArray platform⁸ (878 MM cases and 7,083 controls from the UK), followed by a meta-analysis with six published MM GWAS data sets (totalling 7,319 cases and 234,385 controls) (**Fig. 1, Supplementary Tables 1-3**)²⁻⁵. To increase genomic resolution, we imputed data to >10 million SNPs. Quantile-quantile (Q-Q) plots for SNPs with minor allele frequency (MAF) >1% after imputation did not show evidence of substantive over-dispersion for the OncoArray GWAS ($\lambda = 1.03$, $\lambda_{1000}=1.02$, **Supplementary Fig. 1**). We derived joint odds ratios (ORs) under a fixed-effects model for each SNP with MAF >1%. Finally, we sought validation of nine SNPs associated at $P < 1 \times 10^{-6}$ in the meta-analysis, which did not map to known MM risk loci and displayed a consistent OR across all GWAS data sets, by genotyping an additional 1,777 cases and 6,088 controls from three independent series (Germany, Denmark and Sweden). After meta-analysis of the new and pre-existing GWAS data sets and replication series, we identified genome-wide significant associations (*i.e.* $P < 5 \times 10^{-8}$)⁹ for six new loci at 2q31.1, 5q23.2, 7q22.3, 7q31.33, 16p11.2 and 19p13.11 (**Table 1, Supplementary Table 4 and 5, Fig. 2**). Additionally, borderline associations were identified at two loci with P -values of 5.93×10^{-8} (6p25.3) and 9.90×10^{-8} (7q21.11), which have corresponding Bayesian false-discovery probabilities¹⁰ of 4% and 6%, respectively (**Supplementary Table 4 and 5**). We found no evidence for significant interactions between any of the 23 risk loci. Finally, we found no evidence to support the existence of the putative risk locus at 2p12.3 (rs1214346), previously proposed by Erickson *et al*¹¹ (GWAS meta-analysis P -value = 0.32).

Risk SNPs and myeloma phenotype

We did not find any association between sex or age at diagnosis and the 23 MM risk SNPs using case-only analysis (**Supplementary Table 6 and 7**). Aside from previously reported relationships between the risk loci at 11q13.3 and 5q15 with t(11;14) MM⁶ and hyperdiploid MM¹², respectively, we found no evidence for subtype-specific associations (**Supplementary Table 8-11**) or an impact on MM-specific survival (**Supplementary Table 12**). A failure to demonstrate additional relationships may, however, be reflective of limited study power. Collectively, these data suggest that the risk variants are likely to have generic effects on MM development.

Contribution of risk SNPs to heritability

Using Linkage Disequilibrium Adjusted Kinships (LDAK)¹³, the heritability of MM ascribable to all common variation was 15.6% (± 4.7); collectively the previously identified and new risk loci account for 15.7% of the GWAS heritability (13.6% and 2.1% respectively). To assess the collective impact of all identified risk SNPs we constructed polygenic risk scores (PRS) considering the combined effect of all risk SNPs modelled under a log-normal relative risk distribution¹⁴. Using this approach, an individual in the top 1% of genetic risk has a 3-fold increased risk of MM when compared to an individual with median genetic risk (**Supplementary Fig. 2**). We observed an enrichment of risk variants among familial MM compared with both sporadic MM cases and population-based controls comparable to that expected in the absence of a strong monogenic predisposition (respective *P*-values 0.027 and 1.60×10^{-5} ; **Supplementary Fig. 3**). Undoubtedly, the identification of further risk loci through the analysis of larger GWAS are likely to improve the performance of any PRS model. To estimate the sample size required to explain a greater proportion of the GWAS heritability, we implemented a likelihood-based approach using association statistics in combination with LD information to model the effect-size distribution^{15,16}. The effect-size distributions for susceptibility SNPs were best modelled using the three-component model (mixture of two normal distributions) (**Supplementary Fig. 4**). Under this model, to identify SNPs explaining 80% of the GWAS heritability is likely to require sample sizes in excess of 50,000 (**Supplementary Fig. 5**).

Functional annotation and biological inference of risk loci

To the extent that they have been studied, many GWAS risk SNPs localise to non-coding regions and influence gene regulation¹⁷. To investigate the functional role of previously reported and new MM risk SNPs we performed a global analysis of SNP associations using ChIP-seq data generated on the MM cell line KMS11 and publicly accessible naïve B-cell Blueprint Epigenome Project data¹⁸. We found enrichment of MM SNPs in regions of active chromatin, as indicated by the presence of H3K27ac, H3K4Me3 and H3K4Me1 marks (**Supplementary Fig. 6**). We also observed an enrichment of relevant B-cell transcription factor (TF) binding sites using ENCODE GM12878 lymphoblastoid cell line data (**Supplementary Fig. 7**). Collectively these data support the tenet that the MM predisposition loci influence risk through effects on *cis*-regulatory networks involved in transcriptional initiation and enhancement.

Since genomic spatial proximity and chromatin looping interactions are key to the regulation of gene expression, we interrogated physical interactions at respective genomic regions in KMS11 and naïve B-cells using CHi-C data¹⁹. We also sought to gain insight into the possible biological mechanisms for associations by performing an expression quantitative trait locus (eQTL) analysis using mRNA expression data on CD138-purified MM plasma cells; specifically, we used Summary data-based Mendelian Randomization (SMR) analysis²⁰ to test for pleiotropy between GWAS signal and *cis*-eQTL for genes within 1 Mb of the sentinel SNP to identify a causal relationship. We additionally annotated risk loci with variants mapping to binding motifs of B-cell specific TFs. Finally, we catalogued direct promoter variants and non-synonymous coding mutations for genes within risk loci (**Table 2 and Fig. 1**).

Although preliminary, and requiring functional validation, our analysis delineates four potential candidate disease mechanisms across the 23 MM risk loci (**Table 2**). Firstly, four of the risk loci contain candidate genes linked to regulation of cell cycle and genomic instability, as evidenced by Hi-C looping interactions in KMS11 cells to *MTAP* (at 9p21.3) and eQTL effects for *CEP120* (at 5q23.2). *CEP120* is required for microtubule assembly and elongation, with overexpression of *CEP120* leading to uncontrolled centriole elongation²¹. rs58618031 (7q31.33) maps 5' of *POT1*, the protection of telomeres 1 gene. *POT1* is part of the shelterin complex that functions to protect telomeres and maintain chromosomal stability^{22,23}. While mutated *POT1* is not a feature of MM, it is commonly observed in B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukaemia²⁴⁻²⁶. The looping interaction from the rs58618031 annotated enhancer element implicates *ASB15*. Members of the ASB-family feature as protein components of the ubiquitin-proteasome system, intriguingly a therapeutic target in MM²⁷⁻²⁹.

Second, candidate genes encoding proteins involved in chromatin remodelling were implicated at three of the MM risk loci, supported by promoter variants at 2q31.1, 7q36.1 and 22q13.1. The new locus at 2q31.1 implicates *SP3*, encoding a TF, which through promoter interaction, has a well-established role in B-cell development influencing the expression of germinal centre genes, including activation-induced cytidine deaminase AID^{30,31}.

Third, the central role *IRF4-MYC*-mediated apoptosis/autophagy in MM oncogenesis is supported by variation at five loci, including eQTL effects *WAC* (at 10p12.1) and Hi-C looping interactions (at 8q24.21 and 16q23.1). The 7p15.3 association ascribable to rs4487645 has been documented to

influence expression of *c-MYC*-interacting *CDCA7L* through differential IRF4 binding³². Similarly, the long-range interaction between *CCAT1* (colon cancer-associated transcript 1) and *MYC* provides an attractive biological basis for the 8q24.21 association, given the notable role of *MYC* in MM^{33,34}. It is noteworthy that the promising risk locus at 6p25.3 contains *IRF4*. At the new locus 19p13.11, the missense variant (NP_057354.1:p.Leu104Pro) and the correlated promoter SNP rs11086029 implicates *KLF2* in MM biology. Demethylation by KDM3A histone demethylase sustains *KLF2* expression and influences IRF4-dependent MM cell survival³⁵. The new 16p11.2 risk locus contains a number of genes including Proline-Rich Protein 14 (*PRR14*), which is implicated in PI3-kinase/Akt/mTOR signalling, a therapeutic target in myelomatous plasma cells³⁶.

Fourth, loci related to B-cell and plasma cell differentiation and function are supported by variation at three loci, including eQTL effects (*ELL2* at 5q15) and Hi-C looping interactions (at 6q21). As previously inferred from GM12878 cell line data, the region at 6q21 (rs9372120, *ATG5*) participates in intra-chromosome looping with the B-cell transcriptional repressor *PRDM1* (alias *BLIMP1*)⁴. Additionally, SNP rs34562254 at 17p11.2 is responsible for the amino acid substitution (NP_036584.1:p.Pro251Leu) in *TNFRSF13B*, a key regulator of normal B-cell homeostasis, which has an established role in MM biology³⁷⁻⁴².

DISCUSSION

Our meta-analysis of a new GWAS series in conjunction with previously published MM datasets has identified six novel risk loci. Together, the new and previously reported loci explain an estimated 16% of the SNP heritability for MM in European populations. Ancestral differences in the risk of developing MM are well recognised, with a greater prevalence of MM in African Americans as compared with those with European ancestry⁴³. It is plausible that the effects of MM risk SNPs may differ between Europeans and non-Europeans and hence contribute to differences in prevalence rates. Thus far there has only been limited evaluation of this possibility with no evidence for significant differences⁴⁴.

Integration of Hi-C data with CHIP-seq chromatin profiling from MM and lymphoblastoid cell lines and naïve B-cells, and eQTL analysis, using patient expression data, has allowed us to gain preliminary insight into the biological basis of MM susceptibility. This analysis suggests a model of MM susceptibility based on transcriptional dysregulation consistent with altered B-cell differentiation, where dysregulation of autophagy/apoptosis and cell cycle signalling feature as recurrently modulated pathways. Specifically, our findings implicate mTOR-related genes *ULK4*, *ATG5* and *WAC*, and by virtue of the role of *IRF4-MYC* related autophagy, *CDCA7L*, *DNMT3A*, *CBX7* and *KLF2* in MM development (**Table 2**). Further investigations are necessary to decipher the functional basis of risk SNPs, nevertheless we highlight mTOR-signalling and the ubiquitin-proteasome pathway, targets of approved drugs in MM. As a corollary of this, genes elucidated via the functional annotation of GWAS discovered MM risk loci may represent promising therapeutic targets for myeloma drug discovery. Finally, our estimation of sample sizes required to identify a larger proportion of the heritable risk of MM attributable to common variation underscore the need for further international collaborative analyses.

METHODS

Ethics

Collection of patient samples and associated clinico-pathological information was undertaken with written informed consent and relevant ethical review board approval at respective study centres in accordance with the tenets of the Declaration of Helsinki. Specifically for the Myeloma-IX trial by the Medical Research Council (MRC) Leukaemia Data Monitoring and Ethics committee (MREC 02/8/95, ISRCTN68454111), the Myeloma-XI trial by the Oxfordshire Research Ethics Committee (MREC 17/09/09, ISRCTN49407852), HOVON65/GMMG-HD4 (ISRCTN 644552890; METC 13/01/2015), HOVON87/NMSG18 (EudraCTnr 2007-004007-34, METC 20/11/2008), HOVON95/EMN02 (EudraCTnr 2009-017903-28, METC 04/11/10), University of Heidelberg Ethical Commission (229/2003, S-337/2009, AFmu-119/2010), University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Institutional Review Board (IRB 202077), Lund University Ethical Review Board (2013/54), the Norwegian REK 2014/97, the Danish Ethical Review Board (no: H-16032570) and Icelandic Data Protection Authority (2,001,010,157 and National Bioethics Committee 01/015).

The diagnosis of MM (ICD-10 C90.0) in all cases was established in accordance with World Health Organization guidelines. All samples from patients for genotyping were obtained before treatment or at presentation.

Primary GWAS

We analysed constitutional DNA (EDTA-venous blood derived) from 931 cases ascertained through the UK Myeloma XI trial; detailed in **Supplementary Table 1**. Cases were genotyped using the Illumina OncoArray (Illumina Inc. San Diego, CA 92122, USA). Controls were also genotyped using the OncoArray and comprised: (1) 2,976 cancer-free men recruited by the PRACTICAL Consortium - the UK Genetic Prostate Cancer Study (UKGPCS) (age <65 years), a study conducted through the Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust and SEARCH (Study of Epidemiology & Risk Factors in Cancer), recruited via GP practices in East Anglia (2003-2009), (2) 4,446 cancer-free women across the UK, recruited via the Breast Cancer Association Consortium (BCAC).

Standard quality-control measures were applied to the GWAS⁴⁵. Specifically, individuals with low SNP call rate (<95%) as well as individuals evaluated to be of non-European ancestry (using the HapMap version 2 CEU, JPT/CHB and YRI populations as a reference) were excluded (**Supplementary Fig. 8**). For apparent first-degree relative pairs, we excluded the control from a case-control pair; otherwise, we excluded the individual with the lower call rate. SNPs with a call rate <95% were excluded as were those with a MAF <0.01 or displaying significant deviation from Hardy–Weinberg equilibrium ($P < 10^{-5}$). GWAS data were imputed to >10 million SNPs using IMPUTE2 v2.3⁴⁶ software in conjunction with a merged reference panel consisting of data from 1000 Genomes Project⁴⁷ (phase 1 integrated release 3 March 2012) and UK10K⁴⁸. Genotypes were aligned to the positive strand in both imputation and genotyping. We imposed predefined thresholds for imputation quality to retain potential risk variants with MAF >0.01 for validation. Poorly imputed SNPs with an information measure <0.80 were excluded. Tests of association between imputed SNPs and MM was performed under an additive model in SNPTTESTv2.5⁴⁹. The adequacy of the case–control matching and possibility of differential genotyping of cases and controls was evaluated using a Q-Q plot of test statistics (**Supplementary Fig. 1**). The inflation λ was based on the 90% least-significant SNPs⁵⁰ and assessment of λ_{1000} . Details of SNP QC are provided in in **Supplementary Table 2**.

Published GWAS

The data from six previously reported GWAS²⁻⁵ are summarized in **Supplementary Table 1**. All these studies were based on individuals with European ancestry and comprised: UK-GWAS (2,282 cases, 5,197 controls), Swedish-GWAS (1,714 cases, 10,391 controls), German-GWAS (1,508 cases, 2,107 controls), Netherlands-GWAS (555 cases, 2,669 controls), US-GWAS (780 cases, 1,857 controls) and Iceland (480 cases, 212,164 controls).

Replication studies and technical validation

To validate promising associations, we analysed three case-control series from Germany, Sweden and Denmark, summarised in **Supplementary Table 3**. The German replication series comprised 911 cases collected by the German Myeloma Study Group (Deutsche Studiengruppe Multiples Myeloma (DSMM)), GMMG, University Clinic, Heidelberg, and University Clinic, Ulm. Controls comprised 1,477 healthy German blood donors recruited between 2004 and 2007 by the Institute of Transfusion Medicine and Immunology, University of Mannheim, Germany. The Swedish replication series comprised 534 MM cases from the Swedish National Myeloma Biobank and the

Danish replication series comprised 332 MM cases from the University Hospital of Copenhagen. As controls, we analysed 2,382 Swedish blood donors and 2,229 individuals from Denmark and Skåne County, Sweden (the southernmost part of Sweden adjacent to Denmark). Replication genotyping of German and Scandinavian samples was performed using competitive allele-specific PCR KASPar chemistry (LGC, Hertfordshire, UK). Call rates for SNP genotypes were >95% in each of the replication series. To ensure the quality of genotyping in all assays, at least two negative controls and duplicate samples (showing a concordance of >99%) were genotyped at each centre. The fidelity of imputation was assessed by directly sequencing a set of 147 randomly selected samples from the UK OncoArray case series. Imputation was found to be robust; concordance was >90% (**Supplementary Table 13**). Genotyping and sequencing primers are detailed in **Supplementary Table 14** and **15**, respectively.

Meta-analysis

Meta-analyses were performed using the fixed-effects inverse-variance method using META v1.6⁵¹. Cochran's Q -statistic to test for heterogeneity and the I^2 statistic to quantify the proportion of the total variation due to heterogeneity was calculated. Using the meta-analysis summary statistics and LD correlations from a reference panel of the 1000 Genomes Project combined with UK10K, we implemented Genome-wide Complex Trait Analysis⁵² to perform conditional association analysis. Association statistics were calculated for all SNPs conditioning on the top SNP in each loci showing genome-wide significance. This was carried out step-wise.

For borderline associations, the Bayesian false-discovery probability (BFDP)¹⁰ was calculated based on a plausible OR of 1.2 and a prior probability of association of 0.0001. For both promising associations, the BFDP was <10%.

Fluorescence *in situ* hybridization

Fluorescence *in situ* hybridization (FISH) and ploidy classification of UK and German samples were performed as previously described^{53,54}. Logistic regression in case-only analyses was used to assess the relationship between SNP genotype and IgH translocations or tumour ploidy.

eQTL analysis

eQTL analyses were performed using CD138-purified plasma cells from 183 UK MyIX trial patients and 658 German GMMG patients³². Briefly, German and UK data were pre-processed separately,

followed by analysis using a Bayesian approach to probabilistic estimation of expression residuals to infer broad variance components, accounting for hidden determinants influencing global expression. The association between genotype of SNPs and expression of genes within 1 Mb either side of each MM risk locus was evaluated based on the significance of linear regression coefficients. We pooled data from each study under a fixed-effects model.

The relationship between SNP genotype and gene expression we carried out using Summary-data-based Mendelian Randomization (SMR) analysis as per Zhu *et al*²⁰. Briefly, if b_{xy} is the effect size of x (gene expression) on y (slope of y regressed on the genetic value of x), b_{zx} is the effect of z on x , and b_{zy} be the effect of z on y , b_{xy} (b_{zy}/b_{zx}) is the effect of x on y . To distinguish pleiotropy from linkage where the top associated *cis*-eQTL is in LD with two causal variants, one affecting gene expression the other affecting trait we tested for heterogeneity in dependent instruments (HEIDI), using multiple SNPs in each *cis*-eQTL region. Under the hypothesis of pleiotropy b_{xy} values for SNPs in LD with the causal variant should be identical. For each probe that passed significance threshold for the SMR test, we tested the heterogeneity in the b_{xy} values estimated for multiple SNPs in the *cis*-eQTL region using HEIDI.

GWAS summary statistics files were generated from the meta-analysis. We set a threshold for the SMR test of $P_{SMR} < 1 \times 10^{-3}$ corresponding to a Bonferroni correction for 45 tests, *i.e.* 45 probes which demonstrated an association in the SMR test. For all genes passing this threshold we generated plots of the eQTL and GWAS associations at the locus, as well as plots of GWAS and eQTL effect sizes (*i.e.* input for the HEIDI heterogeneity test). HEIDI test P -values < 0.05 were considered as reflective of heterogeneity. This threshold is, however, conservative for gene discovery because it retains fewer genes than when correcting for multiple testing. SMR plots for significant eQTLs are shown in **Supplementary Fig. 9 and 10** and a summary of results are shown in **Supplementary Table 16**.

Promoter capture Hi-C

To map risk SNPs to interactions involving promoter contacts and identify genes involved in MM susceptibility, we analysed publicly accessible promoter capture Hi-C (CHi-C) data on the naïve B-cells downloaded from Blueprint Epigenome Project. Additionally, we also analysed promoter CHi-C data we have previously generated for the MM cell line KMS11¹². Interactions were called using

the CHiCAGO pipeline to obtain a unique list of reproducible contacts⁵⁵ and those with a $-\log(\text{weighted } P) \geq 5$ were considered significant.

Chromatin state annotation

Variant sets (*i.e.* sentinel risk SNP and correlated SNPs, $r^2 > 0.8$) were annotated for putative functional effect based upon histone mark ChIP-seq data for H3K27ac, H3K4Me1, H3K27Me3, H3K9Me3, H3K36Me3 and H3K27Me3 from KMS11 cell lines, generated in-house, and naïve B-cells from Blueprint Epigenome Project⁵⁶. We used ChromHMM to infer chromatin states by integrating information on these histone modifications, training the model on three MM cell lines; KMS11, MM1S and JJN3. Genome-wide signal tracks were binarized (including input controls for ChIP-seq data), and a set of learned models were generated using ChromHMM software⁵⁷. A 12-state model was suitable for interpretation and biological meaning was assigned to the states based on chromatin marks use putative rules as previously described (**Supplementary Fig. 11**).

TF and histone mark enrichment analysis

To examine enrichment in specific TF binding across risk loci, we adapted the method of Cowper-Salari *et al.*⁵⁸. Briefly, for each risk locus, a region of strong LD (defined as $r^2 > 0.8$ and $D' > 0.8$) was determined, and these SNPs were considered the associated variant set (AVS). Publically available data on TF ChIP-seq uniform peak data were obtained from ENCODE for the GM12878 cell line, including data for 82 TF and 11 histone marks⁵⁹. In addition, ChIP-seq peak data for 6 histone marks from KMS11 cell line was generated in-house and naïve B-cell ChIP-seq data was downloaded from Blueprint Epigenome Project⁵⁶. For each mark, the overlap of the SNPs in the AVS and the binding sites was assessed to generate a mapping tally. A null distribution was produced by randomly selecting SNPs with the same characteristics as the risk-associated SNPs, and the null mapping tally calculated. This process was repeated 10,000 times, and *P*-values calculated as the proportion of permutations where null mapping tally was greater or equal to the AVS mapping tally. An enrichment score was calculated by normalizing the tallies to the median of the null distribution. Thus, the enrichment score is the number of standard deviations of the AVS mapping tally from the median of the null distribution tallies. Enrichment plots are shown in **Supplementary Fig. 4 and 5**.

Functional annotation

For the integrated functional annotation of risk loci, variant sets (*i.e.* all SNPs in LD $r^2 > 0.8$ with the sentinel SNP) were annotated with: (i) presence of a Hi-C contact linking to a gene promoter, (ii) presence of an association from SMR analysis, (iii) presence of a regulatory ChromHMM state, (iv) evidence of transcription factor binding, (v) presence of a nonsynonymous coding change. Candidate causal genes were then assigned to MM risk loci using the target genes implicated in annotation tracks (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv). If the data supported multiple gene candidates, the gene with the highest number of individual functional data points was considered as the candidate. Where multiple genes have the same number of data points, all genes are listed. Direct non-synonymous coding variants were allocated additional weighting. Competing mechanisms for the same gene (*e.g.* both coding and promoter variants) were permitted.

Heritability analysis

We used LDAK to estimate the polygenic variance (*i.e.* heritability) ascribable to all genotyped and imputed GWAS SNPs from summary statistic data. SNP specific expected heritability, adjusted for LD, MAF and genotype certainty was calculated from the UK10K and 1000 Genomes data. Samples were excluded with a call rate < 0.99 or if individuals were closely related or of divergent ancestry from CEU. Individual SNPs were excluded if they showed deviation from HWE with $P < 1 \times 10^{-5}$, an individual SNP genotype yield $< 95\%$, MAF $< 1\%$, SNP imputation score < 0.99 and the absence of the SNP in the GWAS summary statistic data. This resulted in a total 1,254,459 SNPs which were used to estimate the heritability of MM.

To estimate the sample size required for a given proportion of the GWAS heritability we implemented a likelihood-based approach to model the effect-size distribution¹⁵, using association statistics from the MM meta-analysis, and LD information from individuals of European ancestry in the 1000 Genomes Project Phase 3. LD values were based on an r^2 threshold of 0.1 and a window size of 1 MB. The goodness of fit of the observed distribution of P -values against the expected from a two-component model (single normal distribution) and a three-component model (mixture of two normal distributions) were assessed¹⁵, and a better fit was observed for the latter model (**Supplementary Figure 4**). The percentage of GWAS heritability explained for a projected sample size was determined using this model and is based on power calculations for the discovery of genome-wide significant SNPs. The genetic variance explained was calculated as the proportion of

total GWAS heritability explained by SNPs reaching genome-wide significance at a given sample size. The 95% confidence intervals were determined using 10,000 simulations.

Polygenic risk scores for familial MM (n=38) from 25 families were compared with sporadic MM (n=1,530) and population-based controls (n=10,171); first as a simple sum of risk alleles and secondly as sum of risk alleles weighted by their log-transformed odds ratios. Family member scores were averaged. A one-sided Student's t-test was used to assess difference between groups. The genetic data has been previously described^{5,60} with the familial MM cases having been identified by linkages of Swedish registry information.

Data availability

SNP genotyping data that support the findings of this study have been deposited in Gene Expression Omnibus with accession codes GSE21349, GSE19784, GSE24080, GSE2658 and GSE15695; in the European Genome-phenome Archive (EGA) with accession code EGAS00000000001; in the European Bioinformatics Institute (Part of the European Molecular Biology Laboratory) (EMBL-EBI) with accession code E-MTAB-362 and E-TABM-1138; and in the database of Genotypes and Phenotypes (dbGaP) with accession code phs000207.v1.p1. Expression data that support the findings of this study have been deposited in GEO with accession codes GSE21349, GSE2658, GSE31161 and EMBL-EBI with accession code E-MTAB-2299. The remaining data are contained within the paper and Supplementary Files or available from the author upon request. KMS11 Hi-C data used in this manuscript are deposited in EGA under accession number EGAS00001002614. The accession number for the KMS11 ChIP-seq data reported in this paper is EGA: S00001002414. Naïve B-cell HiC data used in this work is publically available from Blueprint Epigenome Project [<https://osf.io/u8tzp/>]. ChIP-seq data for H3K27ac, H3K4Me1, H3K27Me3, H3K9Me3, H3K36Me3 and H3K27Me3 from naïve B-cells is publically available and was obtained from Blueprint Epigenome Project [<http://www.blueprint-epigenome.eu/>].

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SNP	Locus	Chr.	Pos. (b37)	Risk Allele	RAF	OncoArray		Previous data		Replication		Combined meta		I^2
						OR	P	OR	P_{meta}	OR	P_{meta}	OR	P_{meta}	
rs7577599	2p23.3	2	25613146	T	0.81	1.22	2.63×10^{-3}	1.24	1.24×10^{-16}	-	-	1.23	1.29×10^{-18}	0
rs4325816	2q31.1	2	174808899	T	0.77	1.16	1.23×10^{-2}	1.11	1.30×10^{-5}	1.16	3.00×10^{-3}	1.12	7.37×10^{-9}	9
rs6599192	3p22.1	3	41992408	G	0.16	1.24	1.35×10^{-3}	1.26	8.75×10^{-18}	-	-	1.26	4.96×10^{-20}	0
rs10936600	3q26.2	3	169514585	A	0.75	1.18	5.12×10^{-3}	1.20	5.94×10^{-15}	-	-	1.20	1.20×10^{-16}	0
rs1423269	5q15	5	95255724	A	0.75	1.09	0.125	1.17	1.57×10^{-11}	-	-	1.16	8.30×10^{-12}	23
rs6595443	5q23.2	5	122743325	T	0.43	1.14	9.87×10^{-3}	1.10	4.69×10^{-6}	1.10	0.022	1.11	1.20×10^{-8}	0
rs34229995	6p22.3	6	15244018	G	0.02	1.05	0.781	1.40	1.76×10^{-8}	-	-	1.36	5.60×10^{-8}	0
rs3132535	6p21.3	6	31116526	A	0.29	1.26	2.67×10^{-5}	1.20	2.97×10^{-17}	-	-	1.21	6.00×10^{-21}	0
rs9372120	6q21	6	106667535	G	0.21	1.18	7.74×10^{-3}	1.20	8.72×10^{-14}	-	-	1.19	2.40×10^{-15}	0
rs4487645	7p15.3	7	21938240	C	0.65	1.23	1.06×10^{-4}	1.24	5.30×10^{-25}	-	-	1.24	2.80×10^{-28}	0
rs17507636	7q22.3	7	106291118	C	0.74	1.12	5.71×10^{-2}	1.12	5.54×10^{-7}	1.10	0.036	1.12	9.20×10^{-9}	50
rs58618031	7q31.33	7	124583896	T	0.72	1.17	7.61×10^{-3}	1.11	4.70×10^{-6}	1.10	0.061	1.12	2.73×10^{-8}	0

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SNP	Locus	Chr.	Pos. (b37)	Risk Allele	RAF	OncoArray		Previous data		Replication		Combined meta		I^2
						OR	P	OR	P_{meta}	OR	P_{meta}	OR	P_{meta}	
rs7781265	7q36.1	7	150950940	A	0.12	1.33	3.23×10^{-4}	1.20	1.82×10^{-7}	-	-	1.22	4.82×10^{-10}	49
rs1948915	8q24.21	8	128222421	C	0.32	1.19	1.68×10^{-3}	1.14	3.14×10^{-10}	-	-	1.15	2.53×10^{-12}	26
rs2811710	9p21.3	9	21991923	C	0.63	1.13	1.76×10^{-2}	1.14	6.50×10^{-10}	-	-	1.14	3.64×10^{-11}	0
rs2790457	10p12.1	10	28856819	G	0.73	1.09	0.124	1.12	8.44×10^{-7}	-	-	1.11	2.66×10^{-6}	0
rs1333894														
6	16p11.2	16	30700858	C	0.26	1.17	7.90×10^{-3}	1.12	2.22×10^{-7}	1.26	2.5×10^{-7}	1.15	1.02×10^{-13}	26
rs7193541	16q23.1	16	74664743	T	0.58	1.14	9.01×10^{-3}	1.12	1.14×10^{-8}	-	-	1.12	3.68×10^{-10}	34
rs34562254	17p11.2	17	16842991	A	0.10	1.32	7.63×10^{-4}	1.30	3.63×10^{-17}	-	-	1.30	1.18×10^{-19}	29
rs1108602	19p13.1													
9	1	19	16438661	T	0.24	1.26	1.02×10^{-4}	1.12	1.69×10^{-6}	1.15	5.00×10^{-3}	1.14	6.79×10^{-11}	42
rs6066835	20q13.1 3	20	47355009	C	0.08	1.13	0.162	1.24	1.16×10^{-9}	-	-	1.23	6.58×10^{-10}	38
rs138747	22q13.1	22	35700488	A	0.66	-	-	1.21	2.58×10^{-8}	-	-	1.21	2.58×10^{-8}	0
rs139402	22q13.1	22	39546145	C	0.44	1.11	4.146×10^{-2}	1.23	4.98×10^{-26}	-	-	1.22	3.84×10^{-26}	56

Table 1

SNP	Locus	bp(b37)	Genes in LD block	Coding variant	Promoter variant	Promoter/ enhancer chromatin states	TF binding ¹	Functional evidence			Candidate causal gene(s)	Candidate disease mechanism
								Hi-C contact(s) in KMS11 cells	Hi-C contact(s) in naïve B-cells	eQTL		
rs7577599	2p23.3	25613146	<i>DTNB</i>									
rs4325816	2q31.1	174808899	<i>SP3</i>		<i>SP3</i>	active promoter, transcribed enhancer weakly acetylated, intermediate enhancer	BATF, CTCF, MAZ, NFIC, RAD21, YY1				<i>SP3</i>	Chromatin remodelling
rs6599192	3p22.1	41992408	<i>ULK4</i>									
rs10936600	3q26.2	169514585	<i>ACTRT3 MYNN LRRC34</i>	<i>LRRC34</i>		active promoter, distal promoter	ATF2, EBF1, MAZ, MXI1, POL2RA, SIN3A, STAT5A, TAF1, TBLR1XR1 +21	<i>GPR160, SEC62-AS1</i>	<i>GPR160, LRRC31, MYNN, PDCD10, SERPINI1, SEC62, SAMD7, SEC62-AS1, SKIL, PHC3, PDCD10</i>		<i>LRRC34</i>	
rs1423269	5q15	95255724	<i>ELL2</i>	<i>ELL2</i>		intermediate enhancer, active enhancer, distal promoter	ATF2, BCLAF1, EBF1, IKZF1, MAZ, MEF2C, MXI1, SPI1, STAT5A, TBLR1XR1 +23	<i>VPS13C</i>			<i>ELL2</i>	B-cell development
rs6595443	5q23.2	122743325	<i>CEP120</i>	<i>CEP120</i>		transcribed enhancer weakly acetylated	SPI1	<i>SNX2, SNX24</i>	<i>SNX2, SNX24</i>	CEP120	<i>CEP120</i>	cell cycle/ genomic stability

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SNP	Locus	bp(b37)	Genes in LD block	Coding variant	Promoter variant	Promoter/ enhancer chromatin states	TF binding ¹	Functional evidence		eQTL	Functional study	Candidate causal gene(s)	Candidate disease mechanism
								Hi-C contact(s) in KMS11 cells	Hi-C contact(s) in naïve B-cells				
rs34229995	6p22.3	15244018	<i>JARID2</i>			intermediate enhancer, active promoter, distal promoter	FOXM1, IKZF1, MEF2A, NFIC, RELA, RUNX3, SPI1, YY1, ZNF143						
rs3132535	6p21.3	31116526	<i>PSORS1C1 CCHCR1</i>										
rs9372120	6q21	106667535	<i>ATG5</i>			intermediate enhancer, active enhancer		<i>PREP</i>	<i>PRDM1, PREP</i>			<i>PRDM1</i>	B-cell development
rs4487645	7p15.3	21938240	<i>DNAH11 CDCA7L</i>				IRF4, MYC, POLR2A, POU2F2, RUNX3, SPI1, TAF1, WRNIP1				CDCA7L	<i>CDCA7L</i>	apoptosis/autophagy
rs17507636	7q22.3	106291118	<i>CCDC71L</i>										
rs58618031	7q31.33	124583896	<i>POT1</i>			distal promoter, active enhancer, intermediate enhancer	NFIC		<i>ASB15, IQUB, WASL</i>				cell cycle/ genomic stability
rs7781265	7q36.1	150950940	<i>ABCF2 CHPF2 SMARCD3</i>		<i>ABCF2, CHPF2</i>	active promoter, poised promoter	EBF1, EZH2, POLR2A, SIN3A, TAF1, YY1	<i>ASIC3, ABCF2, ATG9B</i>				<i>ABCF2</i>	chromatin remodelling

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SNP	Locus	bp(b37)	Genes in LD block	Coding variant	Promoter variant	Promoter/enhancer chromatin states	Functional evidence					Candidate disease mechanism	
							TF binding ¹	Hi-C contact(s) in KMS11 cells	Hi-C contact(s) in naive B-cells	eQTL	Functional study		Candidate causal gene(s)
rs1948915	8q24.21	128222421					ATF2, BCLAF1, EBF1, MAZ, MXI1, POL2RA, SIN3A, SPI1, STAT5A +18		CASC11, MYC			MYC	apoptosis/ autophagy
rs2811710	9p21.3	21991923	CDKN2A, MTAP, CDKN2B-AS1	CDKN2A	CDKN2A, CDKN2B-AS1	active promoter		MTAP	MTAP			CDKN2A, MTAP	cell cycle/ genomic stability
rs2790457	10p12.1	28856819	WAC			intermediate enhancer	CTCF	LYZL1	MASTL, YME1L1	WAC		WAC	apoptosis/ autophagy
rs13338946	16p11.2	30700858	PRR14 SRCAP FBRS	PRR14	FBRS	active promoter, distal promoter	EBF1, MAZ, MXI1, POL2RA, SIN3A, SPI1, TAF1 +11	DCTPP1, DOC2A, FBXL19, GDDPD3, ITGAL, MYLPF, PPP4C, SEPHS2, SEPT1, TBC1D10B, ZNF48, ZNF771	FBRS, PRR14, DCTPP1, MYLPF, TBC1D10B, SEPHS2			PRR14	apoptosis/ autophagy
rs7193541	16q23.1	74664743	RFWD3 GLG1	RFWD3	RFWD3	active promoter	PML, TBP	GLG1, NPIPL2	GLG1, HSPE1P, CFDP1, PSMD7, RFWD3, GABARAPL2			RFWD3	

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SNP	Locus	bp(b37)	Genes in LD block	Coding variant	Promoter variant	Promoter/ enhancer chromatin states	TF binding ¹	Functional evidence		eQTL	Functional study	Candidate causal gene(s)	Candidate disease mechanism
								Hi-C contact(s) in KMS11 cells	Hi-C contact(s) in naive B-cells				
rs34562254	17p11.2	16842991	<i>TNFRSF13B</i>	<i>TNFRSF13B</i>		intermediate enhancer, distal promoter, active enhancer	CTCF, POL2RA, STAT5A					<i>TNFRSF13B</i>	B-cell development
rs11086029	19p13.11	16438661	<i>KLF2</i>	<i>KLF2</i>	<i>KLF2</i>	poised promoter	CTCF, EGR1, IKZF1, NFYB, POLR2A, RFX5, SIN3A, SPI1					<i>KLF2</i>	apoptosis/ autophagy
rs6066835	20q13.13	47355009	<i>PREX1</i>			poised promoter	ATF2, EBF1, IKZF1, MEF2C, POL2RA, SPI1, TBLR1XR1 +9		<i>ARFGEF2</i>				
rs138747	22q13.1	35700488	<i>HMGXB4</i> <i>TOM1</i>	<i>HMGXB4</i>	<i>TOM1</i> , <i>HMGXB4</i>	active promoter, transcribed enhancer weakly acetylated, intermediate enhancer, distal promoter, active enhancer, transcribed weak enhancer weakly acetylated	BCLAF1, EBF1, MAZ, POL2RA, STAT5A +46	<i>CRYBB1</i> , <i>HMOX1</i> , <i>APOL3</i> , <i>TOM1</i> , <i>LARGE</i> , <i>HMGXB4</i>	<i>FBXO7</i> , <i>HMGXB4</i> , <i>RASD2</i> , <i>MB</i>				
rs139402	22q13.1	39546145	<i>CBX7</i>		<i>CBX7</i>	distal promoter, intermediate enhancer, active promoter, poised promoter	BCLAF1, CHD2, CTCF, EBF1, MAZ, NFYB, POLR2A, RELA, RFX5, TBP, TAF1, ZNF143		<i>APOBEC3B-AS1</i> , <i>RPL3</i>			<i>CBX7</i>	chromatin remodelling

Table 2

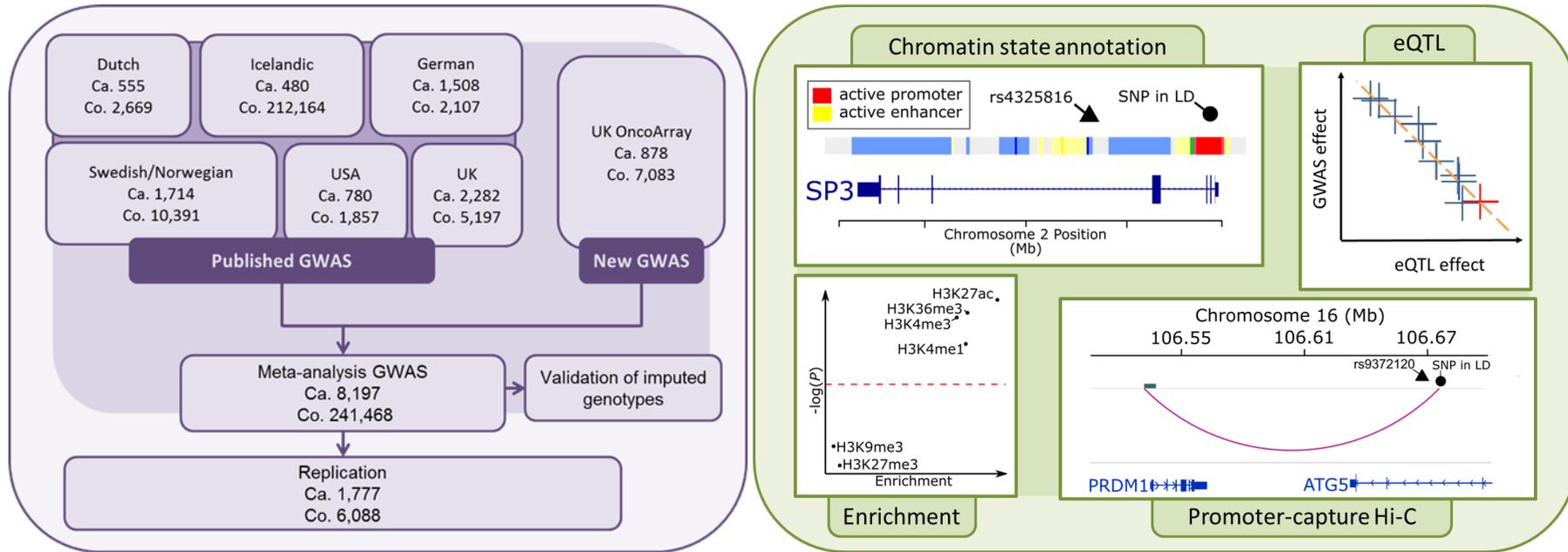


Figure 1

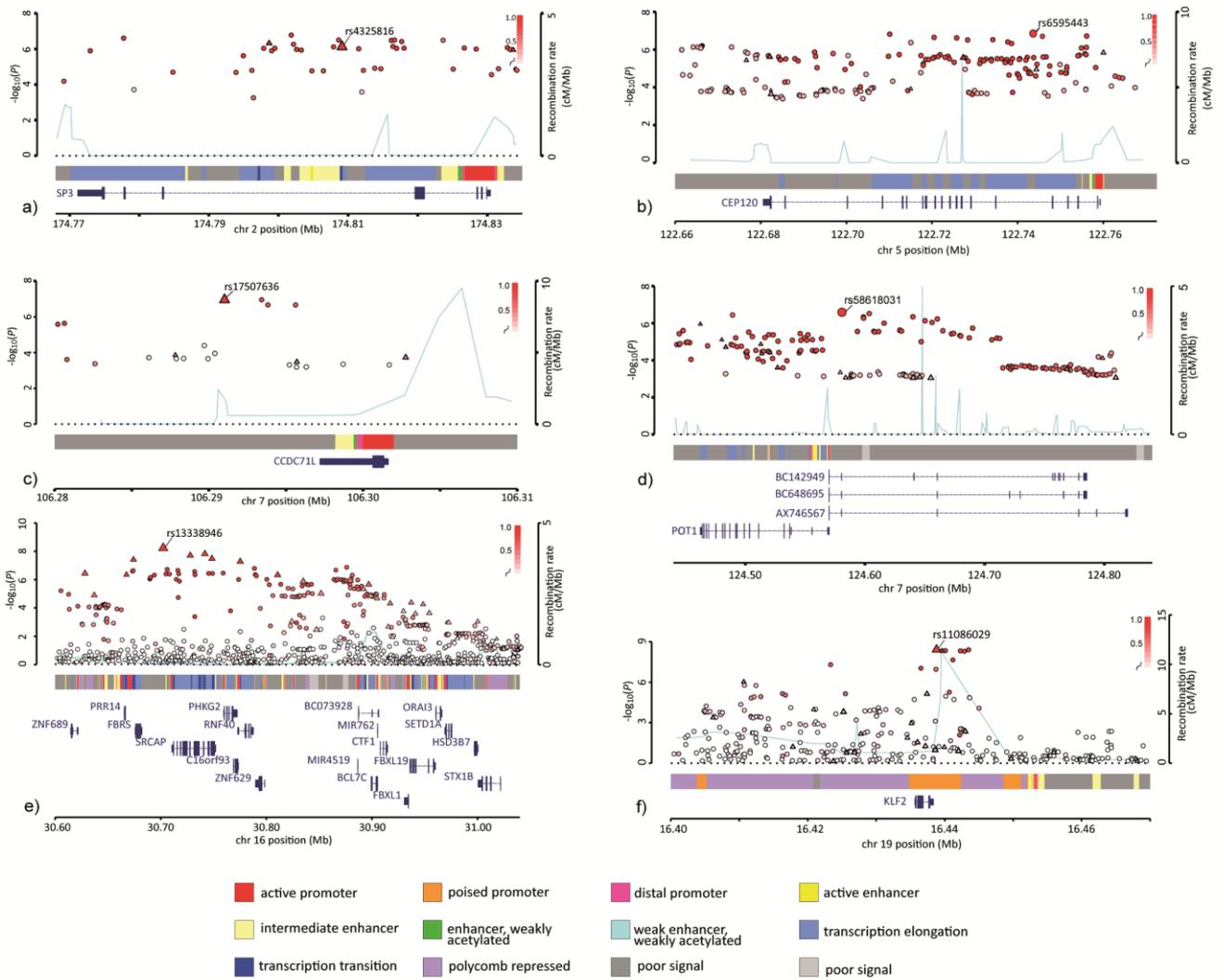


Figure 2.

FIGURE AND TABLE LEGENDS

Figure 1: GWAS study design

Details of the new and existing GWAS samples, including recruitment centres or trials and quality control, are provided in **Supplementary Tables 1 and 2**. Trials or centres from which replication samples were recruited are detailed in **Supplementary Table 3**. Ca., cases; Co., controls; eQTL, expression quantitative trait loci; SNP, single nucleotide polymorphism; LD, linkage disequilibrium.

Figure 2: Regional plots of the six new risk loci

Regional plots of loci (a) 2q31.1, (b) 5q23.2, (c) 7q22.3, (d) 7q31.33, (e) 16p11.2 and (f) 19p13.11. Plots show results of the meta-analysis for both genotyped (triangles) and imputed (circles) single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs), and recombination rates. $-\log_{10}(P)$ (y axes) of the SNPs are shown according to their chromosomal positions (x axes). The sentinel SNP in each combined analysis is shown as a large circle or triangle and is labelled by its rsID. The colour intensity of each symbol reflects the extent of LD with the top SNP, white ($r^2 = 0$) through to dark red ($r^2 = 1.0$). Genetic recombination rates, estimated using 1000 Genomes Project samples, are shown with a light blue line. Physical positions are based on NCBI build 37 of the human genome. Also shown are the relative positions of genes and transcripts mapping to the region of association. Genes have been redrawn to show their relative positions; therefore maps are not to physical scale. The middle track represents the chromatin-state segmentation track (ChromHMM) for KMS11.

Table 1: Summary of genotyping results for all 23 risk SNPs

New loci discovered through this study are emboldened.

RAF, risk allele frequency; P_{trend} , P -value for trend, via logistic regression; P_{meta} , P -value for fixed effects meta-analysis; I^2 , heterogeneity index (0–100). RAF are based on the UK cohort control series, with the exception of rs138747, which is sourced from the 1000 Genomes Project⁶¹.

Table 2: Summary of functional annotation of the 23 risk loci

Newly identified risk loci are emboldened.¹ Where > 10 TF were implicated at a locus, only those that overlap with TF which demonstrated enrichment in GM12878 are shown here. A full list of TFs localising to loci are detailed in **Supplementary Table 17**.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Identification of multiple risk loci and regulatory mechanisms influencing susceptibility to multiple myeloma

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		Trial/Recruitment Centre	Pre-QC	Sex discrepancy	Call rate fail	Heterozygosity rate	Related Individuals	Non-European Ancestry	Post-QC
UK	Cases	UK MRC MyIX, UK MRC MyXI	2,329	10	1	NA	2	34	2,282
	Controls	1958 Birth Cohort, National Blood Service	5,199	0	0	NA	2	0	5,197
Sweden/Norway	Cases	Swedish National Myeloma Biobank Norwegian Biobank for Myeloma							1,714
	Controls	TWINGENE							10,391
Germany	Cases	GMMG-HD3, GMMG-HD4, GMMG-HD5	1,512	1	0	NA	0	3	1,508
	Controls	Heinz Nixdorf Recall	2,107	0	0	NA	0	0	2,107
Netherlands	Cases	HOVON65/GMMG-HD4, HOVON95/EMN02, HOVON87/NMSG18	608	0	2	7	0	44	555
	Controls	B-PROOF	2,669	0	0	0	0	0	2,669
USA	Cases	Total Therapy II, Total Therapy III, Total Therapy 3B, Total Therapy 4	1,076	0	0	9	1	286	780
	Controls	Cancer Genetic Markers of Susceptibility	2,234	0	4	2	0	369	1,857
Iceland	Cases	Icelandic Cancer Registry							480
	Controls	deCODE							212,164
OncoArray	Cases	UK MRC MyXI	931	6	1	5	3	44	878
	Controls	PRACTICAL, BCAC	7,519	8	1	7	68	364	7,083

Supplementary Table 1: Details of the quality control filters applied to each GWAS. Samples were excluded due to call rate (<95% or failed genotyping), ancestry (principle components analysis or other samples reported to be not of white, European descent), relatedness (any individuals found to be duplicated or related within or between data sets through IBS) or sex discrepancy. Dutch, German, UK, USA, Sweden/Norway and Iceland: These studies have been previously reported in their entirety with comprehensive details on QC¹⁻⁴. MyIX, Myeloma IX; MyXI, Myeloma XI; B-PROOF, B-vitamins for the prevention of osteoporotic fractures; UKGPCS, UK Genetic Prostate Cancer Study; BCAC, Breast Cancer Association Consortium.

	Pre-QC	Call rate fail	HWE fail	MAF < 0.01	Post-QC	Imputed (filtered)
UK	409,429	997	7	3	408,422	8,517,071
Sweden/Norway						7,182,761
Germany	401,405	113	0	1	401,291	8,282,831
Netherlands	646,124	6,523	18,104	0	621,497	8,628,799
USA	296,998	4	171	9,151	287,672	8,085,846
Iceland						10,291,845
OncoArray	459,068	6,851	12	73,239	378,966	8,309,850

Supplementary Table 2: Details of the quality control filters applied to each GWAS. For the OncoArray genotyped SNPs with a call rate <95% were excluded as were those with a MAF <0.01 or showing significant deviation from Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (*i.e.* $P < 10^{-5}$). Imputed SNPs with information score <0.8 and MAF <0.01 were excluded. Dutch, German, UK, USA, Sweden/Norway and Iceland: These studies have been previously reported in their entirety with comprehensive details on QC¹⁻⁴.

	Samples	Trial/Recruitment Centre
Cases	911	German Myeloma Study Group
Controls	1,477	Institute of Transfusion Medicine and Immunology, University of Mannheim, Germany
Cases	534	Swedish National Myeloma Biobank
Controls	2,382	Swedish blood donors
Cases	332	University Hospital of Copenhagen
Controls	2,229	Individuals from Denmark and Skåne County

Supplementary Table 3: Details of the replication sample recruitment.

SNP	Chr.	Pos. (b37)	Risk Allele	OncoArray				Netherlands				German			
				Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	P- value	Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	P- value	Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	P- value
rs4325816	2	174808899	T	0.79	0.76	1.16	0.012	0.78	0.76	1.10	0.24	0.79	0.75	1.21	0.002
rs6595443	5	122743325	T	0.47	0.44	1.14	0.010	0.44	0.43	1.04	0.52	0.47	0.45	1.10	0.087
rs17507636	7	106291118	C	0.77	0.75	1.12	0.057	0.76	0.73	1.16	0.04	0.75	0.71	1.14	0.028
rs58618031	7	124583896	T	0.76	0.73	1.17	0.008	0.73	0.72	1.08	0.30	0.75	0.72	1.16	0.012
rs13338946	16	30700858	C	0.28	0.25	1.17	0.008	0.26	0.25	1.09	0.24	0.29	0.27	1.11	0.078
rs11086029	19	16438661	T	0.29	0.25	1.26	1.01×10^{-4}	0.25	0.24	1.04	0.65	0.23	0.22	1.05	0.466
rs1050976	6	408079	T	0.53	0.51	1.09	0.080	0.50	0.45	1.21	3.7×10^{-3}	0.47	0.46	1.03	0.525
rs11629542	15	90098754	G	0.58	0.55	1.16	0.004	0.58	0.55	1.12	0.10	0.56	0.56	1.03	0.635
rs17501560	7	81415783	A	0.85	0.82	1.24	0.001	0.82	0.81	1.03	0.72	0.82	0.80	1.12	0.098

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SNP	Chr.	Pos. (b37)	Risk Allele	Sweden				UK				USA			
				Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	P- value	Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	P- value	Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	P- value
rs4325816	2	174808899	T	0.78	0.77	1.07	0.141	0.79	0.77	1.12	0.006	0.80	0.78	1.18	0.026
rs6595443	5	122743325	T	0.17	0.16	1.15	0.010	0.45	0.43	1.06	0.080	0.47	0.41	1.27	1.13×10 ⁻⁴
rs17507636	7	106291118	C	0.78	0.76	1.09	0.044	0.76	0.74	1.08	0.048	0.79	0.74	1.30	2.03×10 ⁻⁴
rs58618031	7	124583896	T	0.48	0.50	1.09	0.039	0.74	0.72	1.10	0.019	0.76	0.72	1.20	0.008
rs13338946	16	30700858	C	0.29	0.27	1.12	0.008	0.28	0.26	1.14	0.001	0.27	0.26	1.08	0.232
rs11086029	19	16438661	T	0.24	0.23	1.08	0.067	0.27	0.24	1.13	0.002	0.28	0.22	1.38	6.4×10 ⁻⁶
rs1050976	6	408079	T	0.47	0.45	1.06	0.119	0.56	0.53	1.12	0.001	0.53	0.51	1.10	0.109
rs11629542	15	90098754	G	0.56	0.56	1.05	0.171	0.57	0.54	1.13	0.001	0.58	0.54	1.18	0.006
rs17501560	7	81415783	A	0.83	0.81	1.15	0.004	0.83	0.81	1.11	0.025	0.81	0.80	1.04	0.624

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SNP	Chr.	Pos. (b37)	Risk Allele	Iceland		Meta _{GWAS}				Meta _{GWAS + REP}			
				Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	P-value	OR	P-value	I ²	OR	P-value	I ²
rs4325816	2	174808899	T	-	-	0.94	0.50	1.12	6.44×10 ⁻⁷	21	1.12	7.37×10 ⁻⁹	9
rs6595443	5	122743325	T	-	-	1.07	0.39	1.11	1.76×10 ⁻⁷	25	1.11	1.20×10 ⁻⁸	0
rs17507636	7	106291118	C	-	-	1.06	0.49	1.12	8.52×10 ⁻⁸	1	1.12	9.20×10 ⁻⁹	50
rs58618031	7	124583896	T	-	-	1.01	0.87	1.11	1.66×10 ⁻⁷	0	1.12	2.73×10 ⁻⁸	0
rs13338946	16	30700858	C	-	-	1.19	0.03	1.13	7.14×10 ⁻⁹	0	1.15	1.02×10 ⁻¹³	26
rs11086029	19	16438661	T	-	-	1.08	0.38	1.14	4.17×10 ⁻⁹	60	1.14	6.79×10 ⁻¹¹	42
rs1050976	6	408079	T	-	-	1.15	0.07	1.10	3.74×10 ⁻⁷	0	1.10	5.93×10 ⁻⁸	0
rs11629542	15	90098754	G	-	-	1.09	0.23	1.10	2.37×10 ⁻⁷	0	1.08	2.75×10 ⁻⁶	40
rs17501560	7	81415783	A	-	-	1.19	0.05	1.13	3.85×10 ⁻⁷	0	1.12	9.90×10 ⁻⁸	0

Supplementary Table 4: Summary statistics for novel variants showing an association with multiple myeloma risk in the GWAS meta-analysis at $P < 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$. These were taken forward for replication and those which showed association at $P < 5 \times 10^{-8}$ were considered genome-wide significant. Odds ratios derived with respect to the risk allele. Cases RAF, risk allele frequency in discovery cases. Controls RAF, risk allele frequency in discovery controls. Shown are discovery association P values for individual studies. Meta_{GWAS} shows a meta-analysis of previously published GWAS including new discovery OncoArray dataset. Meta_{GWAS+REP} represents a meta-analysis of previously published GWAS, new discovery OncoArray dataset and replication series. Heterogeneity index, I^2 (0-100), quantifies the proportion of the total variation due to heterogeneity.

SNP	Chr.	Pos. (b37)	Risk Allele	German Replication				Swedish Replication				Danish Replication			
				Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	<i>P</i> -value	Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	<i>P</i> -value	Cases RAF	Controls RAF	OR	<i>P</i> -value
rs4325816	2	174808899	T	0.79	0.76	1.19	0.014	0.78	0.77	1.06	0.461	0.83	0.79	1.25	0.037
rs6595443	5	122743325	T	0.47	0.45	1.08	0.202	0.45	0.42	1.15	0.038	0.44	0.43	1.04	0.639
rs17507636	7	106291118	C	-	-	-	-	0.79	0.76	1.19	0.036	0.74	0.75	0.93	0.485
rs58618031	7	124583896	T	-	-	-	-	0.75	0.72	1.18	0.032	0.72	0.71	1.03	0.761
rs13338946	16	30700858	C	0.32	0.28	1.24	0.001	0.29	0.27	1.13	0.112	0.37	0.28	1.51	9.0 × 10 ⁻⁶
rs11086029	19	16438661	T	0.23	0.21	1.18	0.022	0.24	0.22	1.12	0.149	0.26	0.24	1.11	0.293
rs1050976	6	408079	T	0.49	0.47	1.07	0.268	0.47	0.45	1.10	0.188	0.48	0.46	1.08	0.371
rs11629542	15	90098754	G	0.44	0.46	0.92	0.205	0.54	0.54	1.01	0.910	0.57	0.54	1.16	0.091
rs17501560	7	81415783	A	0.81	0.81	1.00	0.954	0.83	0.80	1.22	0.016	0.82	0.81	1.08	0.461

Supplementary Table 5: Replication of top association signals. Showing SNPs which were taken forward for replication genotyping. Cases RAF, risk allele frequency of replication cases; Control RAF, risk allele frequency of replication controls. *P* values are shown for each replication series (logistic regression). rs17507636 had been previously replicated in the German cohort, with association values⁴; cases RAF: 0.760, controls RAF: 0.735, OR: 1.15, *P* value: 0.06. A meta-analysis of this with discovery cohorts and replication series was performed using R version 3.3.1 (R Development Core Team, Vienna, Austria).

RSID	USA		Germany		OncoArray		UK		OR	Meta			
	Beta	P-value	Beta	P-value	Beta	P-value	Beta	P-value		95% CIs	P-value	I ²	P _{HET}
rs34229995	-0.43	0.15	-0.08	0.69	-0.23	0.50	-0.05	0.79	0.87	0.69 - 1.10	0.23	0	0.73
rs9372120	0.16	0.20	-0.11	0.22	0.02	0.87	-0.01	0.85	0.99	0.90 - 1.08	0.84	6	0.36
rs7781265	-0.06	0.69	0.02	0.84	0.15	0.28	-0.11	0.22	0.98	0.87 - 1.10	0.72	0	0.44
rs1948915	0.02	0.86	0.05	0.53	0.07	0.49	0.04	0.58	1.04	0.96 - 1.13	0.30	0	0.99
rs2811710	0.13	0.24	0.03	0.74	-0.02	0.83	-0.03	0.67	1.01	0.93 - 1.10	0.80	0	0.65
rs2790457	0.04	0.75	0.06	0.45	-0.02	0.83	0.12	0.08	1.07	0.98 - 1.17	0.12	0	0.73
rs7193541	0.05	0.67	0.01	0.88	0.08	0.44	0.02	0.74	1.03	0.95 - 1.12	0.44	0	0.95
rs6066835	-0.60	0.00	-0.24	0.06	0.30	0.07	0.07	0.49	0.94	0.83 - 1.07	0.36	82	0.00
rs7577599	-0.04	0.79	-0.10	0.33	0.22	0.12	0.01	0.94	1.00	0.90 - 1.12	0.96	14	0.32
rs6599192	0.12	0.37	0.01	0.93	-0.13	0.28	-0.03	0.67	0.98	0.89 - 1.08	0.73	0	0.56
rs4487645	0.09	0.46	-0.03	0.79	0.04	0.73	0.07	0.29	1.05	0.96 - 1.16	0.27	0	0.89
rs34562254	0.19	0.24	-0.07	0.51	-0.01	0.93	0.05	0.60	1.02	0.91 - 1.14	0.72	0	0.58
rs3132535	0.03	0.82	0.11	0.17	-0.12	0.25	0.03	0.61	1.03	0.95 - 1.12	0.49	0	0.39
rs1423269	0.25	0.04	0.00	0.99	0.02	0.87	0.10	0.15	1.09	0.99 - 1.19	0.07	5	0.37
rs139402	-0.06	0.56	-0.09	0.24	-0.11	0.27	0.01	0.83	0.96	0.89 - 1.03	0.25	0	0.64
rs138747	-0.34	0.21	0.22	0.17	-0.46	0.04	-0.04	0.80	0.94	0.79 - 1.13	0.51	59	0.06
rs10936600	0.13	0.30	0.02	0.85	-0.10	0.40	-0.04	0.55	0.99	0.90 - 1.09	0.81	0	0.54
rs11086029	-0.11	0.40	0.15	0.21	-0.06	0.16	-0.10	0.41	0.96	0.88 - 1.05	0.37	27	0.25
rs13338946	0.08	0.51	0.07	0.31	0.07	0.49	-0.08	0.28	1.06	0.97 - 1.15	0.20	0	0.69
rs17507636	0.06	0.14	-0.04	0.50	0.09	0.75	-0.20	0.22	1.03	0.94 - 1.12	0.59	25	0.26
rs4325816	-0.02	0.91	0.01	0.80	-0.04	0.96	-0.01	0.56	0.97	0.89 - 1.07	0.60	0	0.99
rs58618031	0.05	0.19	0.01	0.56	-0.06	0.96	-0.16	0.48	0.97	0.89 - 1.07	0.56	0	0.53
rs6595443	0.13	0.36	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.47	-0.10	0.12	1.08	1.00 - 1.16	0.07	8	0.35

Supplementary Table 6: Relationship between SNP genotype and sex. Analysis based on beta values calculated from logistic regression on the discovery phase data sets from UK (2282 cases), Oncoarray (878 cases), German (1508 cases) and USA (780 cases) series. The meta-analysis was conducted using a fixed-effects model. This assumes that the underlying effect across all studies is the same. To test for potential heterogeneity, Cochran's Q-statistic was calculated such that $P_{HET} > 0.05$ implied the presence of non-significant heterogeneity. The heterogeneity index, I^2 (0-100), was also measured; this quantifies the proportion of the total variation due to heterogeneity.

RSID	USA		Germany		OncoArray		UK		OR	Meta		I ²	P _{HET}
	Beta	P-value	Beta	P-value	Beta	P-value	Beta	P-value		95% CIs	P-value		
rs34229995	0.93	0.45	0.07	0.94	-1.34	0.43	0.44	0.67	1.23	0.40 - 3.79	0.71	0	0.74
rs9372120	-1.18	0.03	0.15	0.74	0.31	0.60	0.64	0.08	1.15	0.74 - 1.80	0.53	61	0.05
rs7781265	0.02	0.97	-0.41	0.43	0.45	0.53	-0.09	0.84	0.92	0.53 - 1.61	0.77	0	0.80
rs1948915	0.28	0.56	0.36	0.35	-0.22	0.68	-0.43	0.19	0.95	0.64 - 1.43	0.82	0.5	0.39
rs2811710	-0.02	0.97	-0.40	0.32	-0.01	0.98	-0.20	0.56	0.83	0.55 - 1.25	0.36	0	0.92
rs2790457	0.51	0.36	-0.24	0.57	-0.14	0.80	-0.36	0.31	0.86	0.55 - 1.33	0.50	0	0.62
rs7193541	-0.55	0.25	-0.22	0.56	-0.62	0.22	-0.02	0.94	0.77	0.53 - 1.14	0.19	0	0.69
rs6066835	-0.71	0.35	0.14	0.82	-1.45	0.08	-0.07	0.88	0.71	0.38 - 1.34	0.29	0	0.40
rs7577599	-0.50	0.46	0.22	0.63	0.87	0.21	0.13	0.75	1.19	0.71 - 1.97	0.51	0	0.56
rs6599192	-0.68	0.26	-0.20	0.63	-0.52	0.40	0.04	0.92	0.79	0.50 - 1.26	0.33	0	0.73
rs4487645	-0.68	0.19	0.33	0.56	-0.46	0.40	0.18	0.58	0.93	0.60 - 1.45	0.75	0	0.39
rs34562254	-1.00	0.16	0.35	0.45	0.35	0.62	-0.14	0.76	0.98	0.57 - 1.66	0.93	0	0.40
rs3132535	0.03	0.95	-0.28	0.40	-0.65	0.22	0.02	0.94	0.84	0.57 - 1.24	0.38	0	0.70
rs1423269	0.50	0.36	-0.54	0.16	-1.06	0.06	0.23	0.53	0.85	0.55 - 1.30	0.45	52	0.10
rs139402	-0.32	0.50	0.68	0.03	0.89	0.07	-0.30	0.32	1.22	0.85 - 1.75	0.29	63	0.04
rs138747	1.33	0.24	1.03	0.15	0.86	0.45	0.71	0.34	2.56	1.10 - 5.95	0.03	0	0.97
rs10936600	0.49	0.40	-0.48	0.22	-1.55	0.01	-0.53	0.17	0.61	1.00 - 2.47	0.03	51	0.11
rs11086029	-1.10	0.04	-0.27	0.48	-1.36	0.11	-0.17	0.61	0.64	0.41 - 0.99	0.04	15	0.32
rs13338946	-1.07	0.04	-0.30	0.41	0.25	0.65	0.50	0.14	0.95	0.64 - 1.43	0.81	59	0.06
rs17507636	0.60	0.30	0.59	0.17	0.54	0.36	0.12	0.73	1.48	0.95 - 2.31	0.09	0	0.80
rs4325816	0.08	0.90	-0.36	0.37	-0.01	0.99	-0.15	0.69	0.85	0.54 - 1.33	0.48	0	0.93
rs58618031	0.22	0.69	-0.76	0.07	-0.83	0.15	-0.16	0.67	0.68	0.44 - 1.07	0.10	0	0.39
rs6595443	0.65	0.16	-0.22	0.51	-0.43	0.38	-0.26	0.39	0.89	0.62 - 1.27	0.51	15	0.32

Supplementary Table 7: Relationship between SNP genotype and age at diagnosis. Analysis based on beta values calculated from linear regression on the discovery phase data sets from UK (2282 cases), Oncoarray (878 cases), German (1508 cases) and USA (780 cases) cohorts. The meta-analysis was conducted using a fixed-effects model. This assumes that the underlying effect across all studies is the same. To test for potential heterogeneity, Cochran's Q-statistic was calculated such that $P_{HET} > 0.05$ implied the presence of non-significant heterogeneity. The heterogeneity index, I^2 (0-100), was also measured; this quantifies the proportion of the total variation due to heterogeneity.

RSID	German		UK		OncoArray		Meta	
	Beta	P-value	Beta	P-value	Beta	P-value	Beta	P-value
rs2790457	0.12	0.41	-0.18	0.18	0.44	0.14	0.002	0.99
rs13338946	-0.17	0.23	0.03	0.78	0.28	0.34	-0.03	0.76
rs7193541	0.13	0.29	-0.07	0.53	-0.17	0.52	0.002	0.98
rs34562254	-0.02	0.92	-0.26	0.12	-0.40	0.29	-0.17	0.14
rs11086029	-0.14	0.33	-0.11	0.39	0.11	0.70	-0.10	0.28
rs6066835	-0.13	0.54	-0.35	0.06	0.90	0.07	-0.16	0.22
rs138747	0.42	0.13	-0.18	0.52	1.00	0.10	0.20	0.28
rs139402	0.08	0.52	-0.07	0.56	-0.25	0.33	-0.02	0.78
rs4325816	0.02	0.90	-0.08	0.58	0.15	0.62	-0.01	0.88
rs6599192	0.26	0.11	-0.10	0.47	0.23	0.48	0.07	0.48
rs10936600	-0.03	0.83	0.11	0.46	0.03	0.91	0.04	0.69
rs1423269	0.12	0.44	0.05	0.70	-0.11	0.69	0.06	0.54
rs6595443	-0.30	0.02	-0.13	0.24	-0.07	0.78	-0.19	0.02
rs34229995	0.52	0.11	-0.39	0.29	-1.15	0.26	0.05	0.83
rs3132535	0.02	0.87	0.01	0.91	-0.11	0.69	0.005	0.95
rs9372120	-0.11	0.47	0.04	0.76	0.37	0.22	0.02	0.87
rs4487645	0.28	0.05	0.05	0.67	0.76	0.01	0.21	0.02
rs17507636	-0.003	0.98	0.02	0.86	-0.20	0.54	-0.01	0.95
rs58618031	-0.03	0.84	0.16	0.20	0.02	0.95	0.07	0.41
rs7781265	0.21	0.25	-0.02	0.90	0.01	0.99	0.08	0.49
rs1948915	0.03	0.83	0.15	0.20	0.02	0.94	0.09	0.30
rs2811710	0.17	0.22	-0.02	0.89	-0.16	0.56	0.04	0.63
rs7577599	0.29	0.10	-0.03	0.86	0.04	0.91	0.10	0.34

Supplementary Tables 8: Relationship between SNP genotype and t(4;14) subtype. German cases: 142, UK cases: 170, Oncoarray cases: 33, Meta: 345. Case-only analysis; Beta values obtained from logistic regression. FISH and ploidy classification of UK and German samples were determined as previously described^{5,6}.

RSID	German		UK		OncoArray		Meta	
	Beta	P- value	Beta	P- value	Beta	P- value	Beta	P- value
rs2790457	-0.09	0.43	0.32	0.004	-0.06	0.82	0.10	0.19
rs13338946	-0.05	0.64	0.36	0.001	-0.24	0.34	0.11	0.12
rs7193541	0.02	0.82	-0.02	0.85	0.48	0.03	0.04	0.50
rs34562254	-0.05	0.68	-0.14	0.35	-0.46	0.15	-0.12	0.19
rs11086029	-0.04	0.74	0.12	0.27	-0.11	0.66	0.03	0.70
rs6066835	-0.13	0.41	0.17	0.30	-0.44	0.29	-0.02	0.88
rs138747	0.14	0.52	-0.42	0.06	-0.36	0.50	-0.15	0.33
rs139402	-0.17	0.07	-0.09	0.37	-0.27	0.23	-0.14	0.03
rs4325816	0.004	0.97	0.04	0.75	-0.13	0.62	0.01	0.93
rs6599192	0.13	0.27	-0.03	0.83	0.13	0.65	0.06	0.46
rs10936600	-0.14	0.22	0.01	0.94	-0.26	0.32	-0.09	0.27
rs1423269	-0.003	0.98	0.13	0.26	0.12	0.61	0.07	0.37
rs6595443	-0.04	0.71	-0.09	0.34	0.21	0.36	-0.04	0.53
rs34229995	-0.23	0.35	0.03	0.92	-0.44	0.62	-0.15	0.44
rs3132535	-0.05	0.60	0.11	0.31	0.27	0.24	0.04	0.53
rs9372120	0.09	0.43	0.19	0.10	0.10	0.68	0.14	0.08
rs4487645	0.13	0.23	-0.14	0.18	-0.06	0.80	-0.01	0.87
rs17507636	0.03	0.81	-0.13	0.25	-0.05	0.85	-0.05	0.52
rs58618031	0.02	0.83	-0.05	0.66	-0.19	0.46	-0.03	0.71
rs7781265	-0.08	0.54	-0.38	0.01	-0.30	0.34	-0.22	0.02
rs1948915	-0.20	0.05	0.08	0.42	0.60	0.01	-0.003	0.96
rs2811710	0.02	0.89	-0.12	0.26	-0.08	0.71	-0.05	0.44
rs7577599	-0.11	0.42	-0.09	0.49	0.04	0.89	-0.09	0.33

Supplementary Tables 9: Relationship between SNP genotype and t(11;14) subtype. German cases: 277, UK cases: 231, Oncoarray cases: 47, Meta: 555. Case-only analysis; Beta values obtained from logistic regression. FISH and ploidy classification of UK and German samples were determined as previously described^{5,6}.

RSID	German		UK		OncoArray		Meta	
	Beta	P- value	Beta	P- value	Beta	P- value	Beta	P- value
rs2790457	0.28	0.37	0.34	0.31	1.06	0.07	0.41	0.05
rs13338946	0.20	0.49	-0.06	0.86	-0.24	0.68	0.05	0.82
rs7193541	-0.03	0.92	-0.08	0.80	-0.05	0.93	-0.05	0.80
rs34562254	-0.24	0.52	0.56	0.20	-0.07	0.92	0.08	0.76
rs11086029	-0.18	0.57	-0.24	0.45	0.43	0.44	-0.12	0.56
rs6066835	-0.49	0.28	-0.90	0.06	0.66	0.49	-0.54	0.09
rs138747	-0.06	0.93	-0.63	0.33	0.00	1.00	-0.29	0.49
rs139402	0.24	0.36	-0.62	0.04	-0.06	0.91	-0.13	0.48
rs4325816	0.45	0.17	0.01	0.98	0.10	0.87	0.23	0.31
rs6599192	-0.42	0.22	0.19	0.61	0.08	0.90	-0.11	0.64
rs10936600	-0.12	0.71	0.04	0.91	-0.54	0.36	-0.12	0.59
rs1423269	0.61	0.06	-0.12	0.72	1.12	0.04	0.41	0.06
rs6595443	-0.45	0.10	0.08	0.78	0.14	0.79	-0.16	0.40
rs34229995	0.38	0.59	1.67	0.08	-1.06	0.59	0.70	0.20
rs3132535	-0.09	0.75	0.15	0.63	0.13	0.81	0.03	0.88
rs9372120	-0.18	0.59	0.31	0.36	-0.95	0.10	-0.08	0.71
rs4487645	0.52	0.08	0.08	0.80	-0.24	0.67	0.24	0.24
rs17507636	0.29	0.35	0.05	0.87	-0.34	0.59	0.12	0.57
rs58618031	0.10	0.75	-0.04	0.90	-0.68	0.23	-0.06	0.77
rs7781265	0.20	0.59	-0.21	0.63	0.92	0.21	0.15	0.58
rs1948915	0.05	0.86	-0.14	0.66	0.07	0.89	-0.02	0.91
rs2811710	-0.24	0.42	0.19	0.54	0.43	0.40	0.03	0.87
rs7577599	0.34	0.36	-0.39	0.33	0.70	0.36	0.07	0.77

Supplementary Tables 10: Relationship between SNP genotype and t(14;16) subtype. German cases: 29, UK cases: 24, Oncoarray cases: 8, Meta: 61 Case-only analysis; Beta values obtained from logistic regression. FISH and ploidy classification of UK and German samples were determined as previously described^{5,6}.

RSID	German		UK		OncoArray		Meta	
	Beta	P- value	Beta	P- value	Beta	P- value	Beta	P- value
rs2790457	0.03	0.71	0.14	0.06	-	-	0.10	0.09
rs13338946	-0.04	0.59	-0.05	0.50	-0.02	0.91	-0.04	0.39
rs7193541	0.08	0.28	0.04	0.57	-	-	0.06	0.25
rs34562254	0.01	0.92	0.15	0.12	0.51	0.04	0.12	0.09
rs11086029	0.11	0.22	-0.01	0.92	-0.10	0.60	0.03	0.59
rs6066835	0.06	0.60	0.37	0.001	-0.40	0.21	0.20	0.01
rs138747	-0.32	0.04	-0.05	0.74	-0.28	0.49	-0.19	0.08
rs139402	0.07	0.33	0.18	0.01	0.22	0.19	0.14	0.003
rs4325816	-0.05	0.61	-0.06	0.43	-	-	-0.06	0.35
rs6599192	-0.15	0.13	-0.05	0.55	-	-	-0.09	0.15
rs10936600	0.04	0.63	0.01	0.86	-	-	0.03	0.64
rs1423269	-0.07	0.40	-0.13	0.08	-	-	-0.11	0.06
rs6595443	-0.05	0.50	-0.002	0.98	-0.15	0.39	-0.03	0.49
rs34229995	-0.15	0.43	0.03	0.89	-	-	-0.07	0.63
rs3132535	0.09	0.23	0.04	0.54	-	-	0.07	0.21
rs9372120	-0.04	0.68	-0.11	0.14	-0.14	0.48	-0.09	0.12
rs4487645	-0.08	0.33	-0.03	0.62	-	-	-0.05	0.32
rs17507636	-0.01	0.91	-0.001	0.99	0.08	0.69	0.001	0.98
rs58618031	-0.09	0.27	0.03	0.68	0.20	0.30	-0.01	0.92
rs7781265	0.01	0.94	-0.01	0.95	-	-	0.0001	1.00
rs1948915	0.08	0.30	-0.04	0.52	-0.34	0.06	-0.02	0.74
rs2811710	0.001	0.99	-0.02	0.78	-	-	-0.01	0.84
rs7577599	-0.061	0.56	0.08	0.35			0.02	0.74

Supplementary Tables 11: Relationship between SNP genotype and hyperdiploid subtype. German cases: 661, UK cases: 702, Oncoarray cases: 257, Meta: 1,620. Case-only analysis; Beta values obtained from logistic regression. FISH and ploidy classification of UK and German samples were determined as previously described^{5,6}.

SNP	Risk Allele	Germ-GMMG		UK-MyIX		UK-MyXI		USA-UAMS		Meta	
		HR	P-value	HR	P-value	HR	P-value	HR	P-value	HR	P-value
rs4325816	T	1.06	0.69	0.88	0.12	0.86	0.27	0.85	0.11	0.89	0.03
rs6599192	G	1.27	0.14	1.01	0.95	1.08	0.54	0.98	0.86	1.04	0.50
rs10936600	A	1.06	0.69	1.00	0.95	1.10	0.45	0.98	0.83	1.02	0.70
rs1423269	A	1.07	0.61	1.05	0.49	0.97	0.80	0.97	0.78	1.02	0.69
rs6595443	T	1.14	0.27	0.98	0.78	0.92	0.39	1.03	0.66	1.00	0.91
rs34229995	G	1.12	0.71	0.68	0.03	1.24	0.56	0.99	0.96	0.88	0.30
rs3132535	A	0.87	0.27	0.91	0.18	0.89	0.27	1.07	0.40	0.95	0.21
rs9372120	G	0.99	0.92	1.22	0.01	0.84	0.12	1.05	0.63	1.06	0.21
rs4487645	C	1.04	0.77	0.94	0.39	1.10	0.38	0.99	0.90	0.99	0.89
rs17507636	C	1.06	0.70	1.03	0.73	1.10	0.42	1.04	0.67	1.05	0.36
rs58618031	T	1.00	0.99	1.01	0.89	1.14	0.23	1.17	0.08	1.07	0.14
rs7781265	A	0.82	0.20	1.20	0.07	0.90	0.46	-	-	1.02	0.77
rs1948915	C	0.96	0.73	1.02	0.83	0.96	0.68	1.04	0.59	1.01	0.89
rs2790457	G	0.88	0.40	0.91	0.21	0.92	0.48	0.94	0.55	0.92	0.08
rs13338946	C	0.76	0.03	1.02	0.75	1.07	0.54	0.91	0.25	0.96	0.32
rs7193541	T	1.01	0.94	0.94	0.34	1.05	0.61	1.06	0.43	1.00	0.96
rs34562254	A	0.91	0.51	1.07	0.46	1.40	0.05	1.13	0.33	1.09	0.16
rs11086029	T	0.98	0.89	0.82	0.01	1.06	0.57	1.05	0.62	0.94	0.17
rs6066835	C	0.92	0.63	1.03	0.77	1.13	0.48	0.90	0.41	0.99	0.87
rs139402	C	0.92	0.49	1.05	0.49	1.06	0.60	1.03	0.68	1.03	0.51

Supplementary Table 12: Relationship between genome-wide significant SNPs genotype and patient overall survival⁷. Data from: 1,165 cases from the UK MRC Myeloma-IX trial (UK-MyIX); 877 MM cases from the UK MRC Myeloma-XI trial (UK-MyXI); 511 of the patients recruited to the German-GWAS (GER-GMMG); 703 MM cases in the UAMS Myeloma Institute for Research and Therapy GWAS (US-UAMS). *P*-values calculated from Cox regression analysis. Data for SNPs rs2811710, rs7577599 and rs138747, or a correlated SNP ($r^2 > 0.6$) to use as proxy, were not present in the survival analysis.

rsID	UK Cases			r^2
	AA	Aa	aa	
rs58618031	7/7	58/59	83/83	0.99
rs11629542	28/31	59/63	51/53	0.91
rs6595443	53/54	74/78	41/41	0.97

Supplementary Table 13: Concordance between directly sequenced and imputed genotype. Showing SNPs which were genome-wide significant after replication. These comprised 147 randomly selected samples from the Oncoarray case series. AA, major homozygote; Aa, heterozygote; aa, minor homozygote. r^2 indicates Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient between imputed and sequenced genotype.

rsID	KASP Primer Sequence		Conditions
rs4325816	KASP Primer A1 KASP Primer A2 KASP Common Primer	GAAGGTGACCAAGTTCATGCTAACCTAGGTTGCTGGGAGAATGAT GAAGGTCGGAGTCAACGGATTCCTAGGTTGCTGGGAGAATGAC CATGTGACGTTGTTTTCATAAATCTCATAA	Std42
rs6595443	KASP Primer A1 KASP Primer A2 KASP Common Primer	GAAGGTGACCAAGTTCATGCTCCATTTCTGATAGTGTGTGTTAAAGTCT GAAGGTCGGAGTCAACGGATTCATTTCTGATAGTGTGTGTTAAAGTCA GTGAATGCACCTAACAGAGTATCAAAATA	Std42plus5
rs1050976	KASP Primer A1 KASP Primer A2 KASP Common Primer	GAAGGTGACCAAGTTCATGCTAAGTATGTGTTTACATTTACTGAAATGC GAAGGTCGGAGTCAACGGATTCAGTATGTGTTTACATTTACTGAAATGT TTTTCTGTCTCCAGCAAGACCTAAT	Std42plus5
rs17507636	KASP Primer A1 KASP Primer A2 KASP Common Primer	GAAGGTGACCAAGTTCATGCTTTCCTGCTAGCCATCTGTATCCC GAAGGTCGGAGTCAACGGATTCCTTCTGCTAGCCATCTGTATCCT CTGCTTCTTAATTATGTATAGGGTAGAA	Std42plus5
rs17501560	KASP Primer A1 KASP Primer A2 KASP Common Primer	GAAGGTGACCAAGTTCATGCTCAAGATACAACAGGTGAGACCCAA GAAGGTCGGAGTCAACGGATTAAGATACAACAGGTGAGACCCAG TGTCCTAATAGTTTAGTCTCCAAAATCAT	Std42plus5
rs58618031	KASP Primer A1 KASP Primer A2 KASP Common Primer	GAAGGTGACCAAGTTCATGCTAGGAGGCCTCAGGAACTTACG GAAGGTCGGAGTCAACGGATTAAGGAGGCCTCAGGAACTTACA CTGACATTTTCCCACTGGCATTAT	Std42plus15
rs11629542	KASP Primer A1 KASP Primer A2 KASP Common Primer	GAAGGTGACCAAGTTCATGCTAAGTACGTGCCTAAAAGATGGACAC GAAGGTCGGAGTCAACGGATTAAGTACGTGCCTAAAAGATGGACAG GCCATGTCTGGGGCACTATTTCTAA	Std42plus10
rs13338946	KASP Primer A1 KASP Primer A2 KASP Common Primer	GAAGGTGACCAAGTTCATGCTCGAGACTCTATCTCAATAAATGAATAAAATG GAAGGTCGGAGTCAACGGATTCGAGACTCTATCTCAATAAATGAATAAAATA CACCCCACTTCATTTTTTCATAACACGTA	Std42
rs11086029	KASP Primer A1 KASP Primer A2 KASP Common Primer	GAAGGTGACCAAGTTCATGCTGTGGCCTCCTACGTTGAAAAAAA GAAGGTCGGAGTCAACGGATTCGCTCCTCCTACGTTGAAAAAAT GGCTTCCAGGAAGAGGTAAGTAGTT	Std42plus5

Supplementary Table 14: Details of genotyping primers and reaction conditions.

rsID		Sequencing Primer Sequence	Sequencing Direction	Sequencing Additives
rs6595443	Forward	AAGGAGTCAATTCTGCAAAAAG	Reverse	1M Betaine
	Reverse	TGCTGTTGTTGTTGAAGTGG		
rs58618031	Forward	TGATAGTCATTTCTCACAAAGAGCTG	Forward	1M Betaine
	Reverse	TCTCTGTCAAAATGAAACTTACCTTC		
rs11629542	Forward	CCAACCTCCTCATTGTAGGG	Forward	1M Betaine
	Reverse	AGCAAGAAACAAAGCACAGG		

Supplementary Table 15: Details of sequencing primers and reaction conditions.

KASPAR conditions**Std42**

- Hot Start: 94°C for 15 minutes
- Stage 1: 20 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 5 seconds
 - o 72°C for 10 seconds
- Stage 2: 22 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 20 seconds
 - o 72°C for 40 seconds

Std42plus5

- Hot Start: 94°C for 15 minutes
- Stage 1: 20 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 5 seconds
 - o 72°C for 10 seconds
- Stage 2: 22 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 20 seconds
 - o 72°C for 40 seconds
- Stage 3: 5 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 1 minute

Std42plus10

- Hot Start: 94°C for 15 minutes
- Stage 1: 20 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 5 seconds
 - o 72°C for 10 seconds
- Stage 2: 22 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 20 seconds
 - o 72°C for 40 seconds
- Stage 3: 10 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 1 minute

Std42plus15

- Hot Start: 94°C for 15 minutes
- Stage 1: 20 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 5 seconds
 - o 72°C for 10 seconds
- Stage 2: 22 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
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 - o 72°C for 40 seconds
- Stage 3: 15 cycles
 - o 94°C for 10 seconds
 - o 57°C for 1 minute

Sequencing conditions**Std**

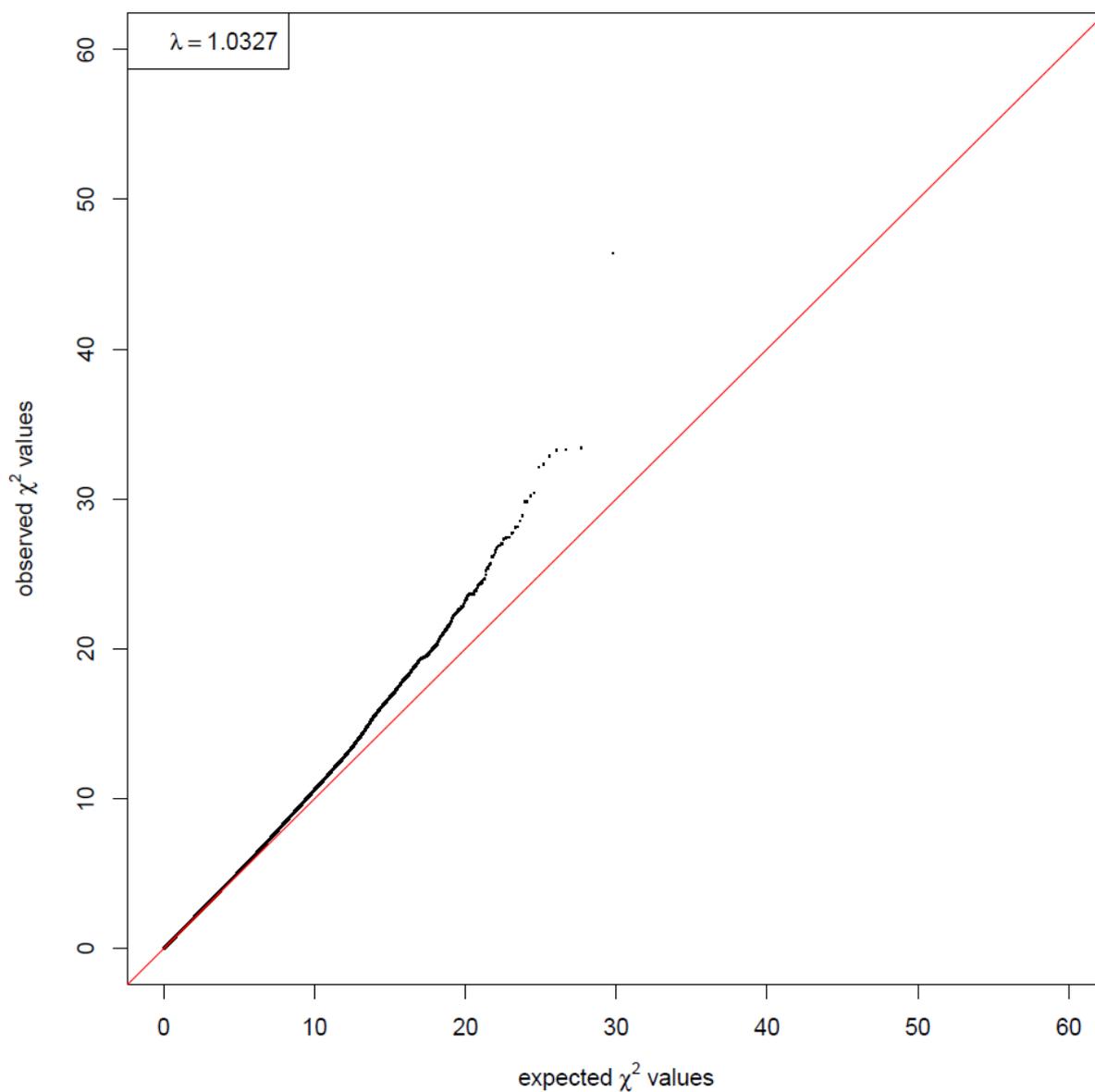
- 95°C for 5 minutes
- 25 cycles
 - o 96°C for 30 seconds
 - o 50°C for 15 seconds
 - o 60°C for 1 minute

rsID	Locus	Probe chromosome	Gene	P_{SMR}	P_{HEIDI}
rs6595443	5q23.2	5	CEP120	1.27×10^{-4}	6.60×10^{-2}
rs2807754	10p21.1	10	WAC	4.53×10^{-5}	6.28×10^{-1}
rs1423269	5q15	5	ELL2	7.08×10^{-7}	5.58×10^{-3}
rs4487645	7p15.3	7	CDCA7L	8.37×10^{-15}	1.08×10^{-2}
rs6090899	20q13.13	20	PREX1	4.01×10^{-4}	5.46×10^{-3}

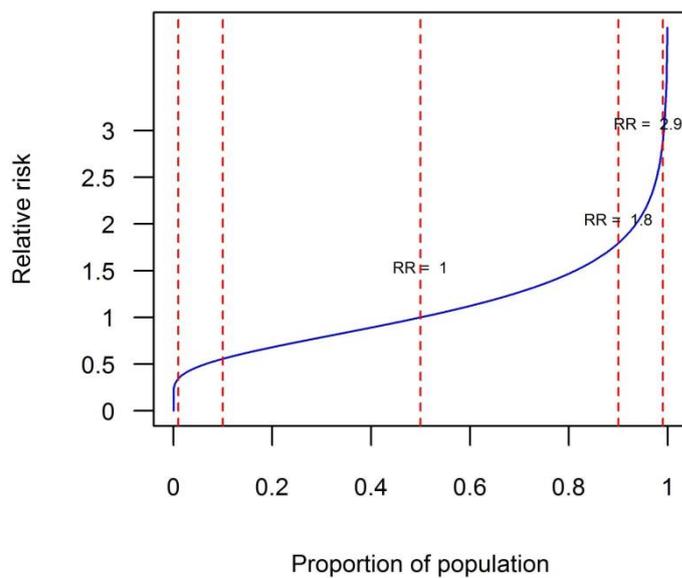
Supplementary Table 16: Summary of results from SMR analysis. We set a threshold for the SMR test of $P_{SMR} < 1 \times 10^{-3}$ corresponding to a Bonferroni correction for 45 tests. For all genes passing this threshold we generated plots of the eQTL and GWAS associations at the locus, as well as plots of GWAS and eQTL effect sizes (i.e. corresponding to input for the HEIDI heterogeneity test). HEIDI test P values < 0.05 were considered as being reflective of heterogeneity. This threshold is conservative for gene discovery because it retains fewer genes than when correcting for multiple testing. Probes which passed the HEIDI threshold are highlighted in grey.

Locus	Lead SNP	Transcription Factor																	
3q26.2	rs10936600	ATF2 POLR2A	BATF POLR3G	CEBPB POU2F2	CHD1 RUNX3	CTCF RXRA	EBF1 SIN3A	ELF1 STAT5A	ELK1 TAF1	EP300 TBL1XR1	ETS1 TBP	FOXM1 WRNIP1	IRF4 YY1	MAX	MAZ	MTA3	MXI1	NFIC	PML
5q15	rs1423269	ATF2 MXI1	BATF NFATC1	BCL11A NFIC	BCL3 PML	BCLAF1 POU2F2	BHLHE40 RELA	CEBPB RUNX3	CHD2 SP1	EBF1 SPI1	EP300 STAT3	FOXM1 STAT5A	IKZF1 TBL1XR1	IRF4 TBP	JUND TCF12	MAZ TCF3	MEF2A	MEF2C	MTA3
8q24	rs1948915	ATF2 RELA	BCL3 RUNX3	BCLAF1 SIN3A	CEBPB SPI1	CTCF STAT3	EBF1 STAT5A	EP300 TBL1XR1	FOXM1 YY1	JUND SMC3	MAZ	MEF2A	MEF2C	MTA3	MXI1	NFIC	PML	POLR2A	RAD21
16p11	rs13338946	BCL3	CHD1	CHD2	CTCF	EBF1	MAZ	MXI1	NFIC	POLR2A	RELA	RUNX3	SIN3A	SP1	SPI1	TAF1	TCF12	WRNIP1	YY1
20q13	rs6066835	ATF2	BCL11A	EBF1	ELF1	EP300	FOXM1	IKZF1	MEF2A	MEF2C	NFIC	POLR2A	RUNX3	SPI1	TBL1XR1	USF1	WRNIP1		
22q13	rs138747	ATF2 MAZ SP1	ATF3 MEF2C SPI1	BCL3 MTA3 SRF	BHLHE40 MXI1 STAT5A	CEBPB NFATC1 TAF1	CHD1 NFE2 TBL1XR1	CHD2 NFIC TBP	EBF1 NFYA TCF12	EGR1 NFYB TCF3	ELF1 NR2C2 USF1	ELK1 PAX5 USF2	EP300 PBX3 WRNIP1	FOS PML YY1	FOXM1 POLR2A ZEB1	GABPA POU2F2 ZNF143	IKZF1 RELA	IRF4 RUNX3	MAX SIN3A

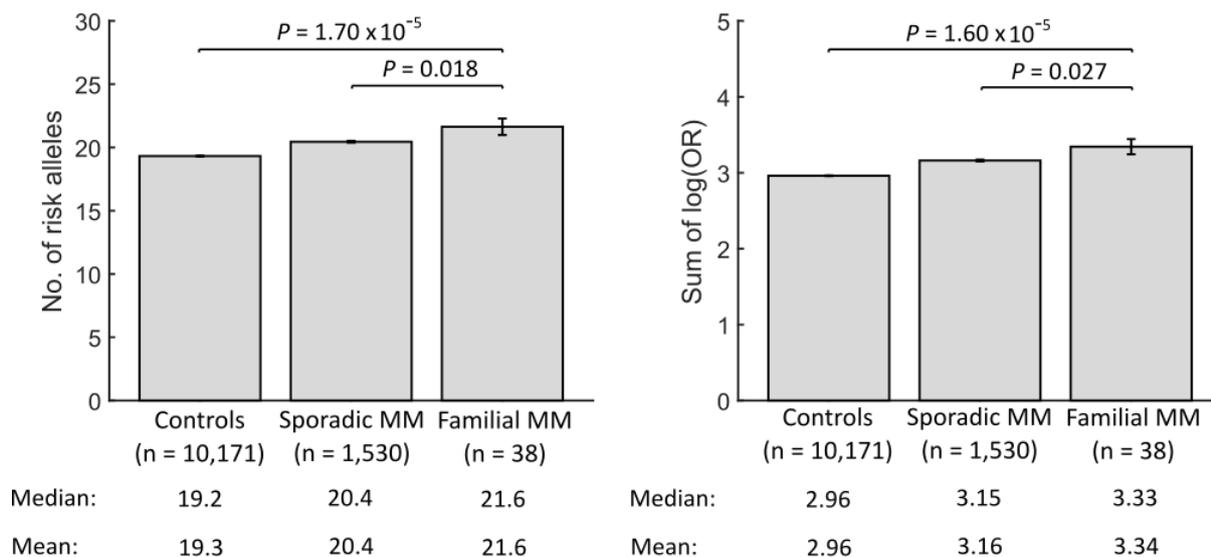
Supplementary Table 17: Full lists of TF binding at selected loci. TF ChIP-seq (161 factors) with Factorbook Motifs for GM12878 were downloaded from ENCODE⁸.



Supplementary Figure 1: Quantile-Quantile (Q-Q) plots of observed and expected χ^2 values of association between SNP genotype and risk of multiple myeloma after imputation for the OncoArray cohort. $\lambda=1.0327$, $\lambda_{1000}=1.0209$. The red line represents the null hypothesis of no true association. Q-Q plots for the UK, Sweden/Norway, Germany, Iceland, USA and Netherlands sets have been previously reported¹⁻⁴.



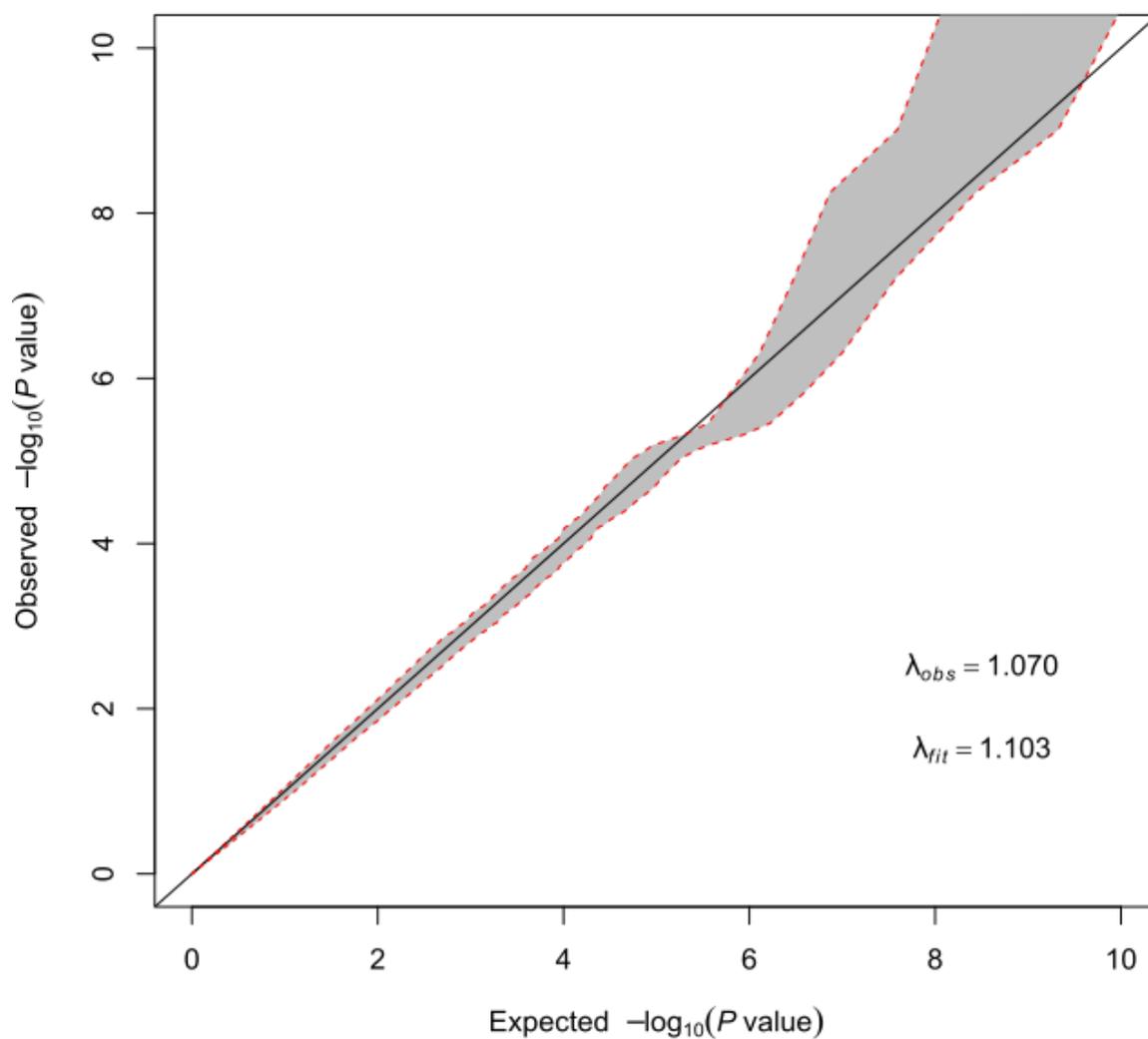
Supplementary Figure 2: Population distribution of polygenic risk score (PRS) ordered by relative risk (RR) (compared with population median risk). PRS is based on the 23 risk SNPs. Vertical red lines (left to right) correspond to 1%, 10%, 50%, 90%, and 99% centile, respectively.



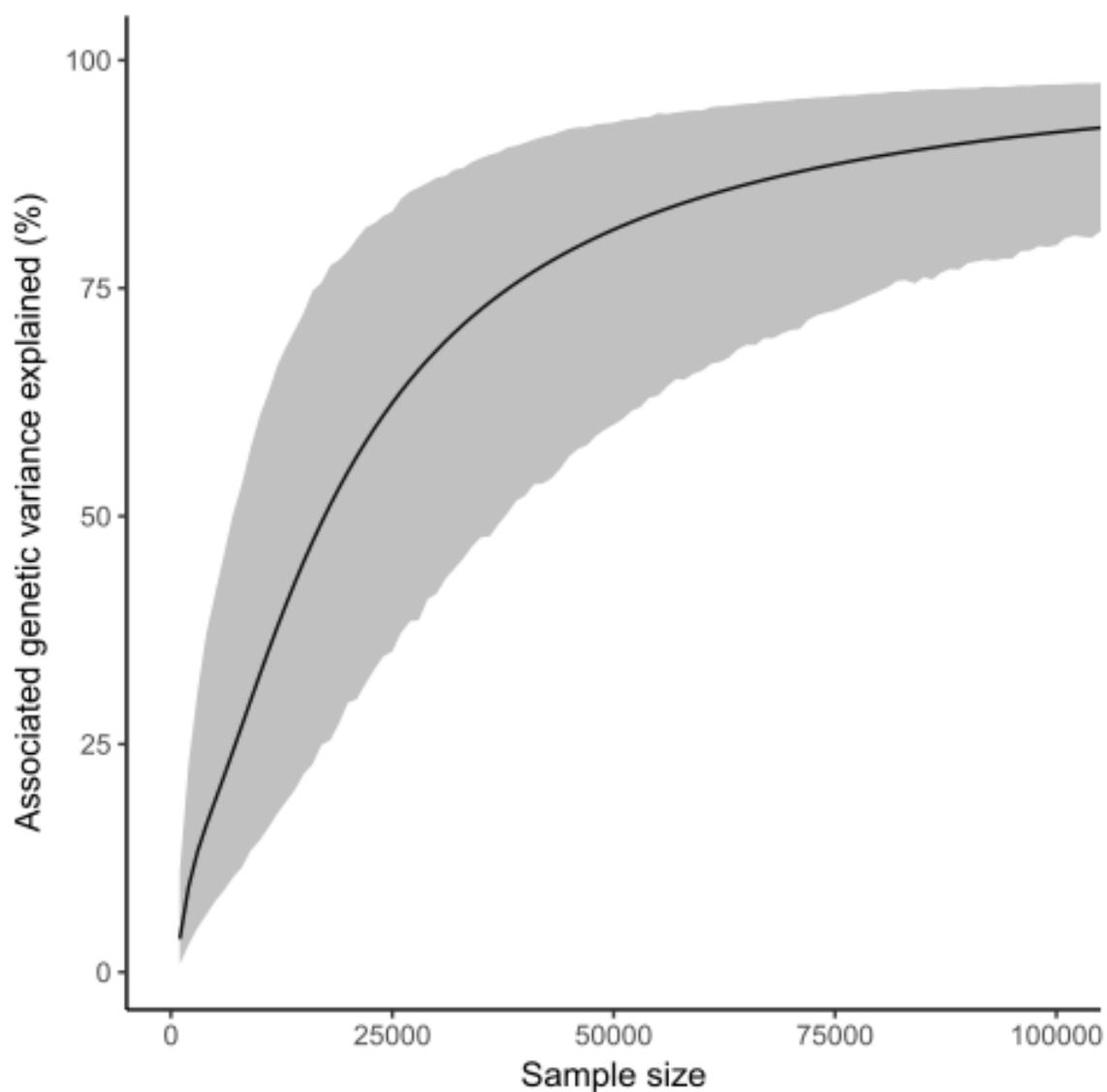
Supplementary Figure 3: Polygenic risk scores (PRS) for familial MM, sporadic MM and population-controls. A higher risk allele burden is seen in the familial MM compared with both sporadic MM and controls (difference in PRS score tested by one-sided Student's t-test). (a) Based on number of risk alleles carried; (b) Calculated as the sum log-transformed odds ratios. The observed 1.08-fold enrichment of PRS in familial over sporadic cases is entirely compatible the expected familial risk attributable to the 23 risk SNPs of 1.10 given by:

$$\prod_{i=1}^{n=23} \frac{p_i r_i^2 + q_i}{p_i r_i + q_i^2}$$

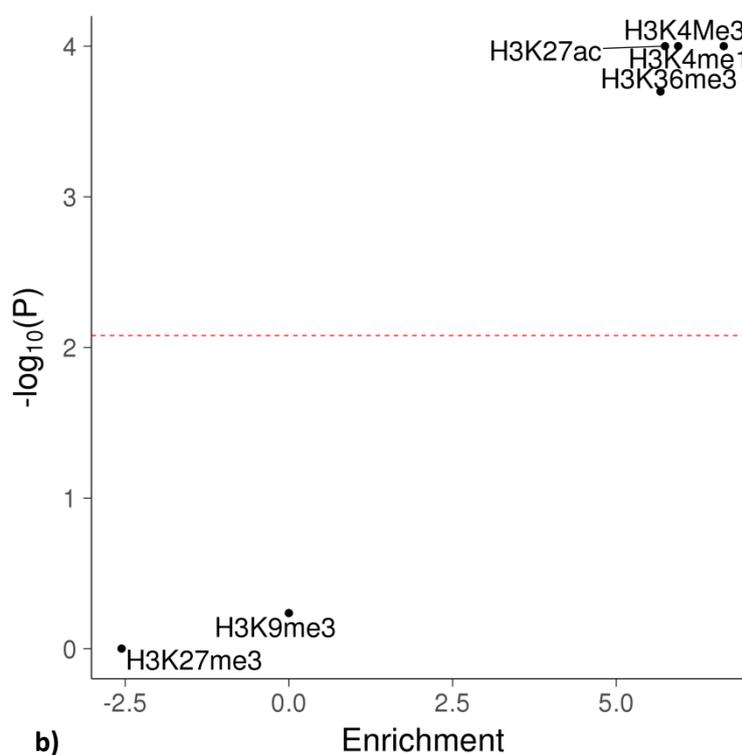
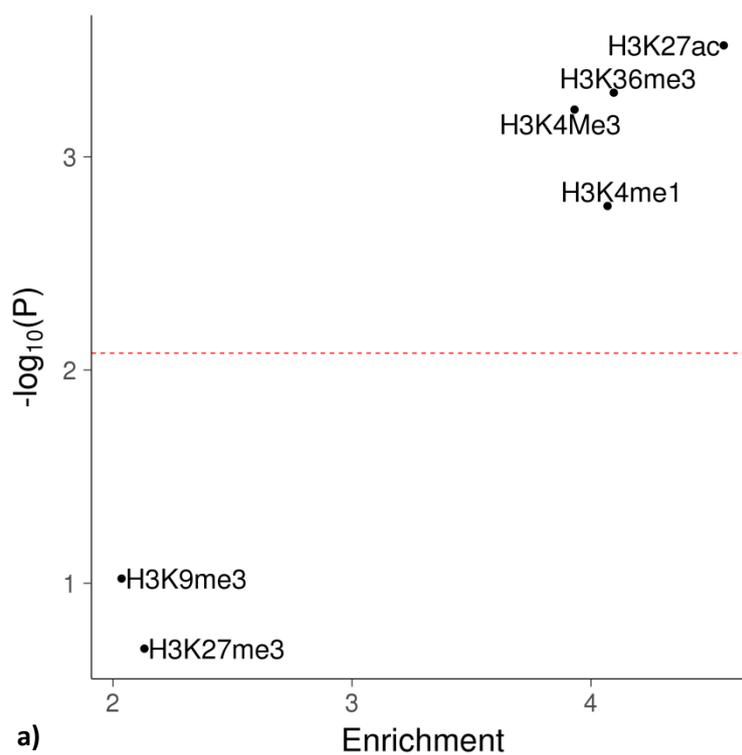
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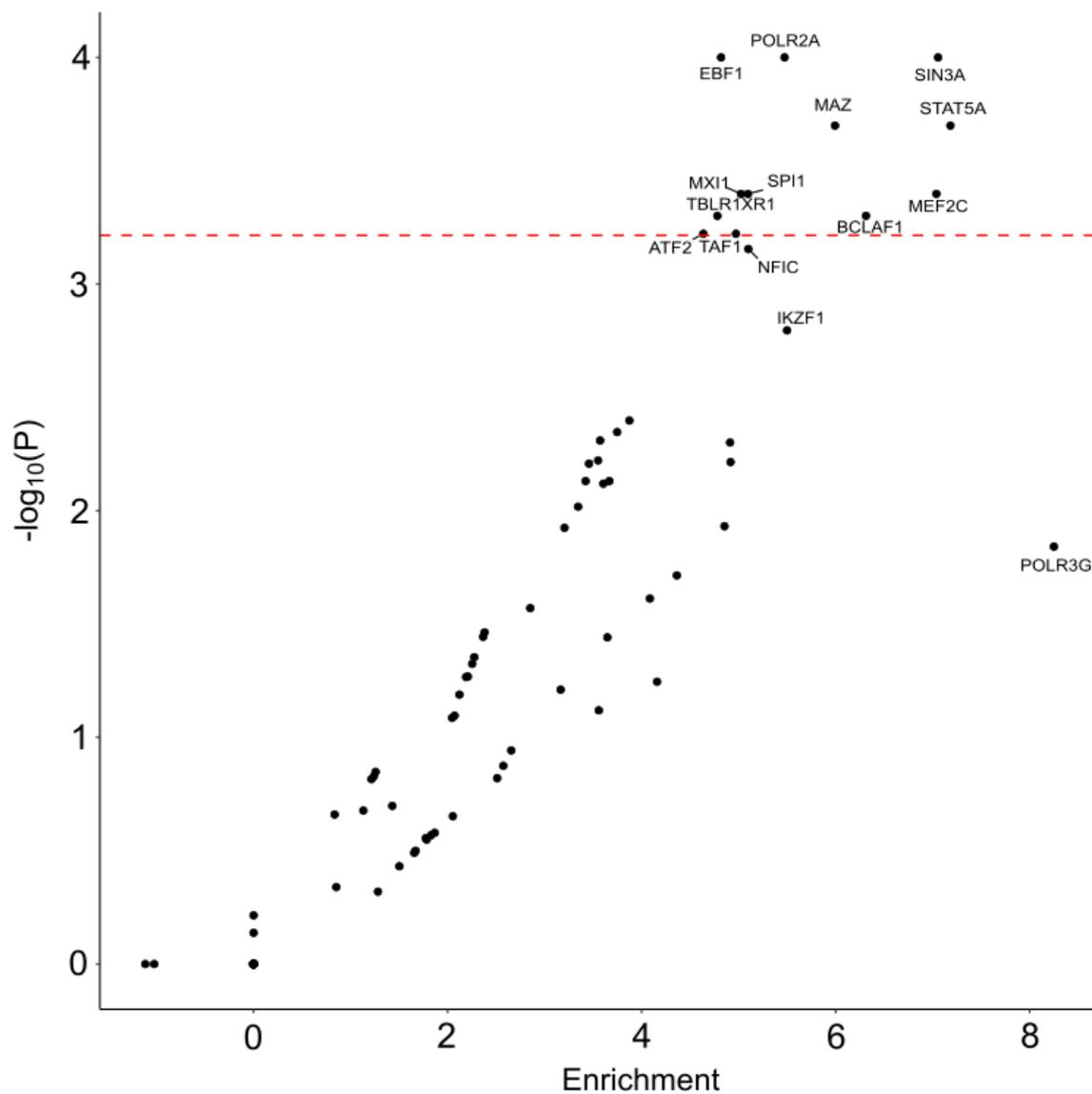
Supplementary Figure 4: Q-Q plot comparing observed distributions of association statistics against those expected under a three-component model. Grey shaded area represents the 80% confidence interval.



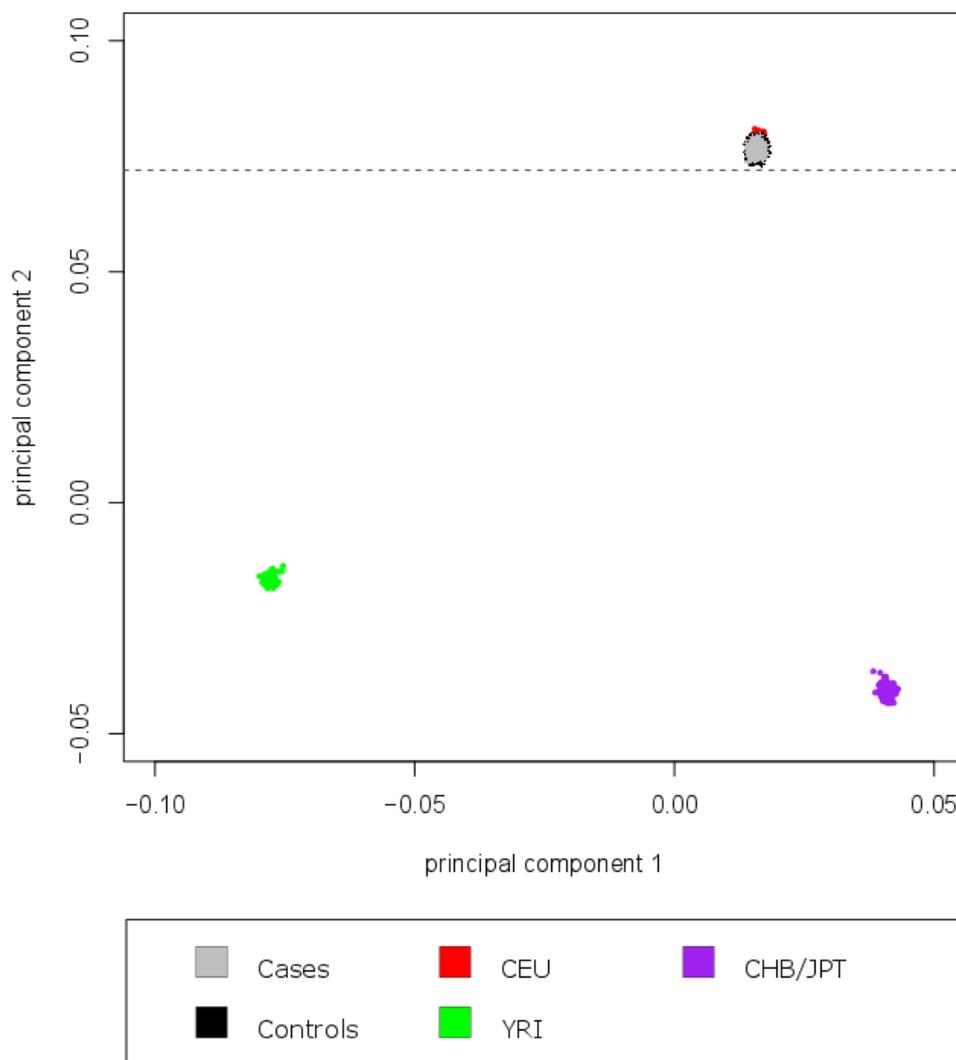
Supplementary Figure 5: Projected percentage of GWAS heritability explained for a given sample size. Results were obtained using a three-component model to estimate distribution of effect sizes. Grey shaded area represents the 95% confidence interval of the heritability estimate.



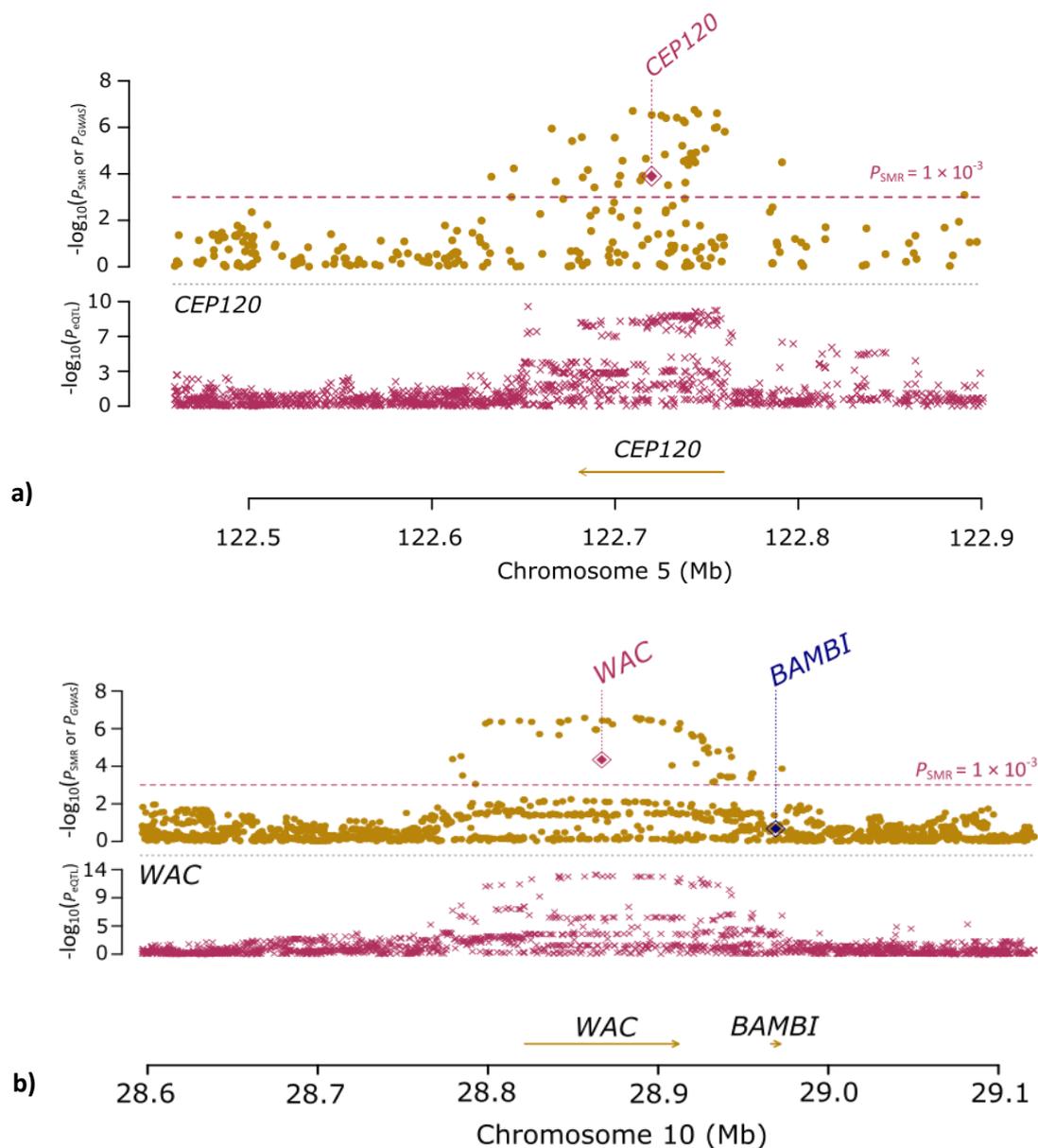
Supplementary Figure 6: The overrepresentation of histone marks in (a) naïve B and (b) KMS11 cells at the location of new and known MM risk SNPs demonstrates that risk SNPs are enriched in regions of open chromatin. The red line denotes the Bonferroni corrected P -value threshold.



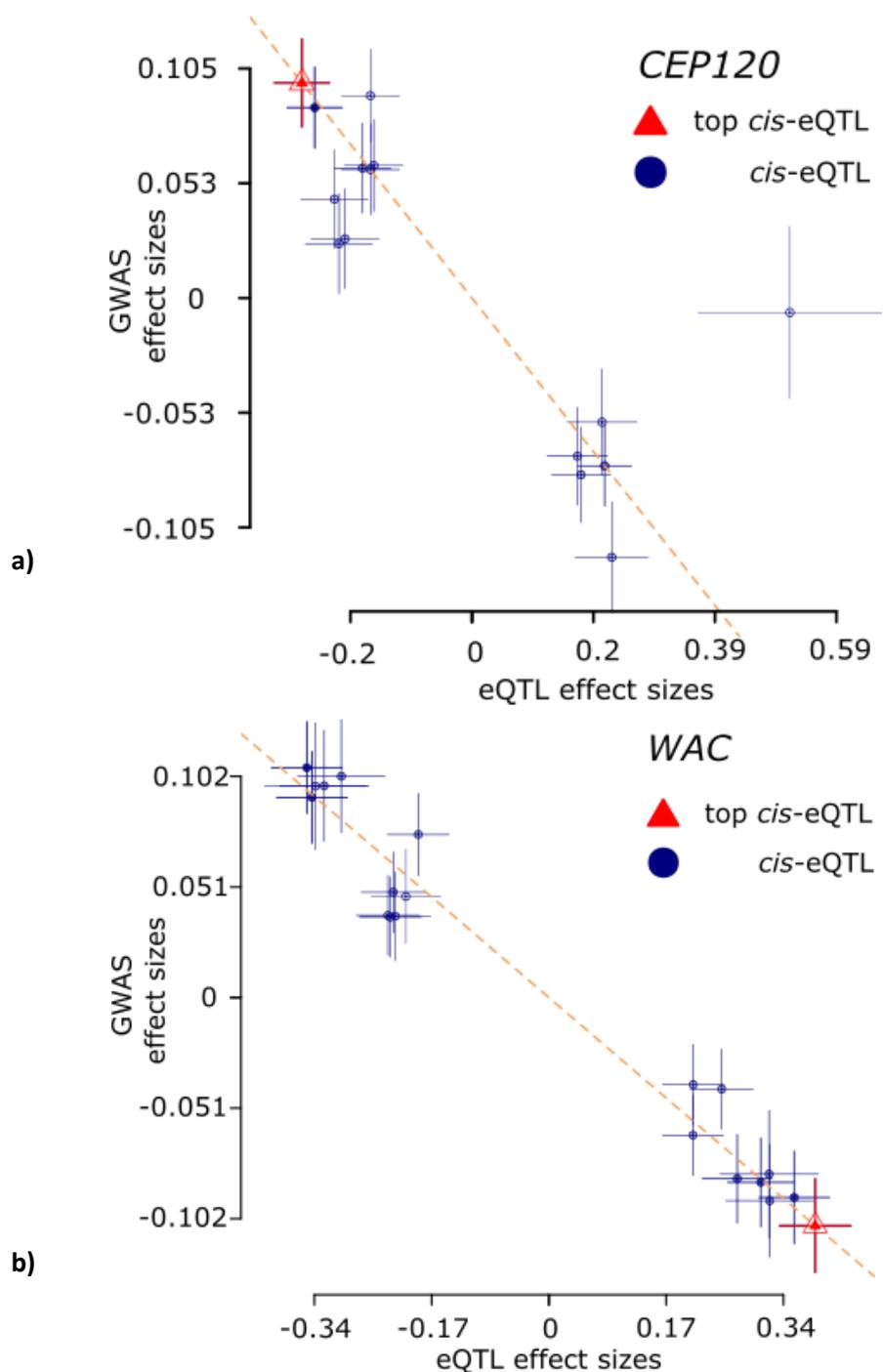
Supplementary Figure 7: The overrepresentation of transcription factor (TF) binding sites in GM12878 cells at the location of new and known MM risk SNPs demonstrates that risk SNPs are enriched in regions of B-cell relevant TF binding. The red line denotes the Bonferroni corrected P -value threshold.



Supplementary Figure 8: Principal components analysis plot for the OncoArray cohort after removal of non-European cases. The first two principal components of the analysis are plotted. Cases and controls outside of the intervals $0.0155 \leq x \leq 0.019$, and $0.0735 \leq y \leq 0.079$ were excluded in order to remove individuals of non-European ancestry (grey dotted line shows the lower threshold of the second principal component). HapMap CEU individuals are plotted in red; CHB/JPT individuals are plotted in purple; YRI individuals are plotted in green. Cases are plotted in grey, controls plotted in black.

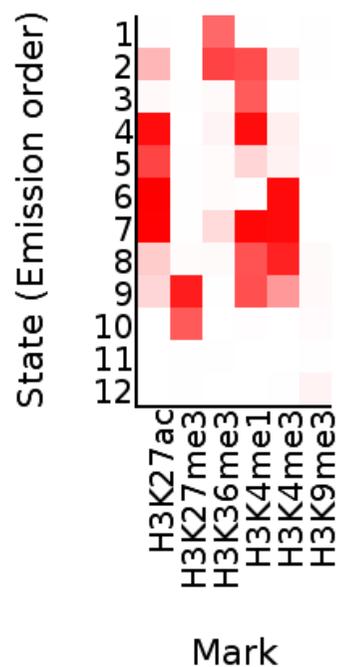


Supplementary Figure 9: Summary data-based Mendelian Randomization (SMR) analysis locus plot at a) 5q23.2 and b) 10p12.1. Upper panel - brown dots represent P -values for SNPs from the GWAS meta-analysis, diamonds represent P -values for probes from the SMR test; lower panel – crosses represent eQTL P -values of SNPs from MM plasma cells from 183 MRC MyIX trial patients (GEO: GSE21349) and 658 Heidelberg GMMG patients (EMBL-EBI: E-MTAB-2299), with genes passing the SMR (i.e. $P_{SMR} < 0.001$) and HEIDI (i.e. $P_{HEIDI} > 0.05$) tests highlighted in red. Probeset ID refers to Affymetrix U133 2.0 Plus Array custom chip definition file (CDF v.17) mapping to Entrez genes.

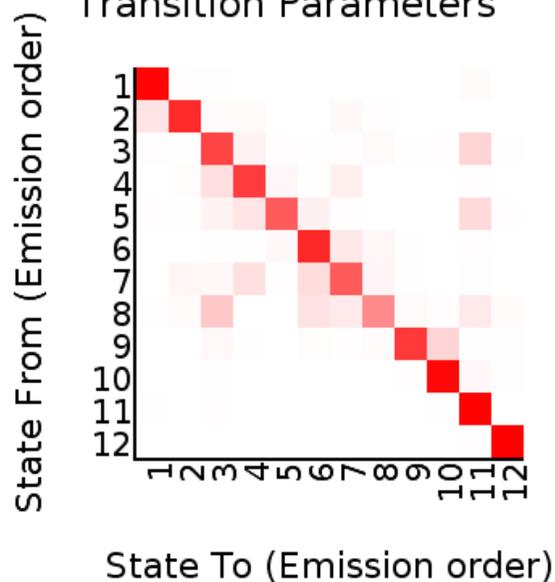


Supplementary Figure 10: Summary data-based Mendelian Randomization analysis effect plot at (a) 5q23.2 and (b) 10p12.1 Blue dots represent effect sizes of SNPs from the GWAS meta-analysis against those from the eQTL study of MM plasma cells from 183 MRC MyIX trial patients (GEO: GSE21349) and 658 Heidelberg GMMG patients (EMBL-EBI: E-MTAB-2299). The top *cis*-eQTL is highlighted by a red diamond. Error bars are the standard errors of the SNP effects. An estimate of b_{xy} at the top *cis*-eQTL is represented by the orange dotted line.

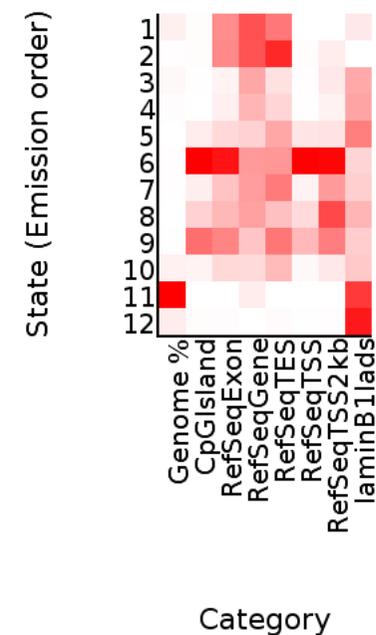
Emission Parameters



Transition Parameters



Fold Enrichment KMS11_12



Supplementary Figure 11: Heat maps outputted by ChromHMM pipeline show a) emission parameters, b) transition parameters and c) state functional enrichments for the KMS11 MM cell line. Columns in (c) are labelled as follows: Genome % indicates the relative percentage of the genome represented by each state and relative fold enrichment for RefSeq transcription start sites (TSS); CpG Islands; 2000 base pair intervals around the TSS; exons; genes; transcript end sites (TES); evolutionary conservation; and nuclear lamina associated regions, respectively. Heat maps shown were used to assign states based on previously described rules⁹⁻¹¹. The ChromHMM model was learned across 3 MM cell lines; JN3, KMS11 and MM1S.

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