

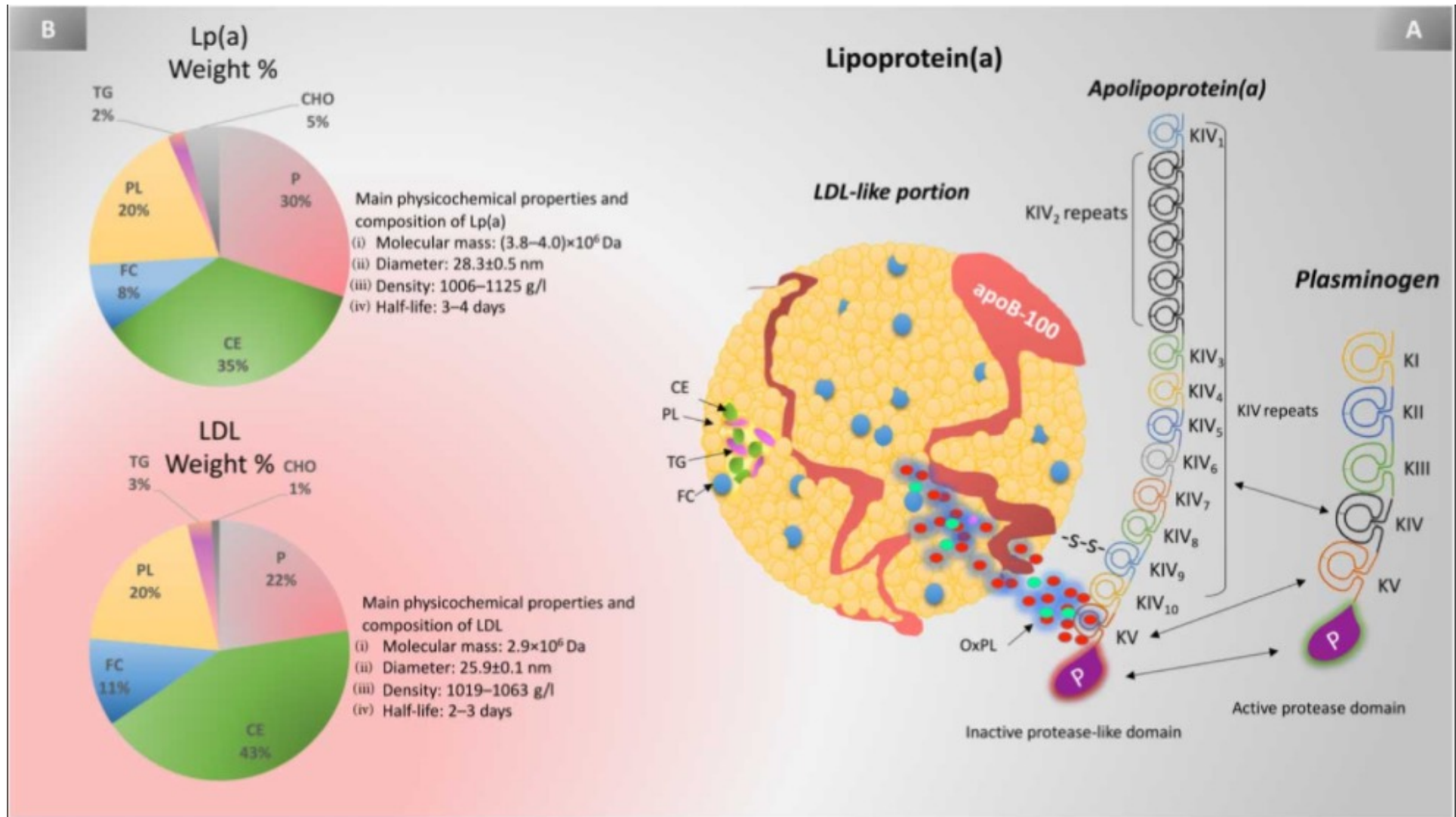
Advances in Lipoprotein(a) Physiology and *LPA* Gene Variants



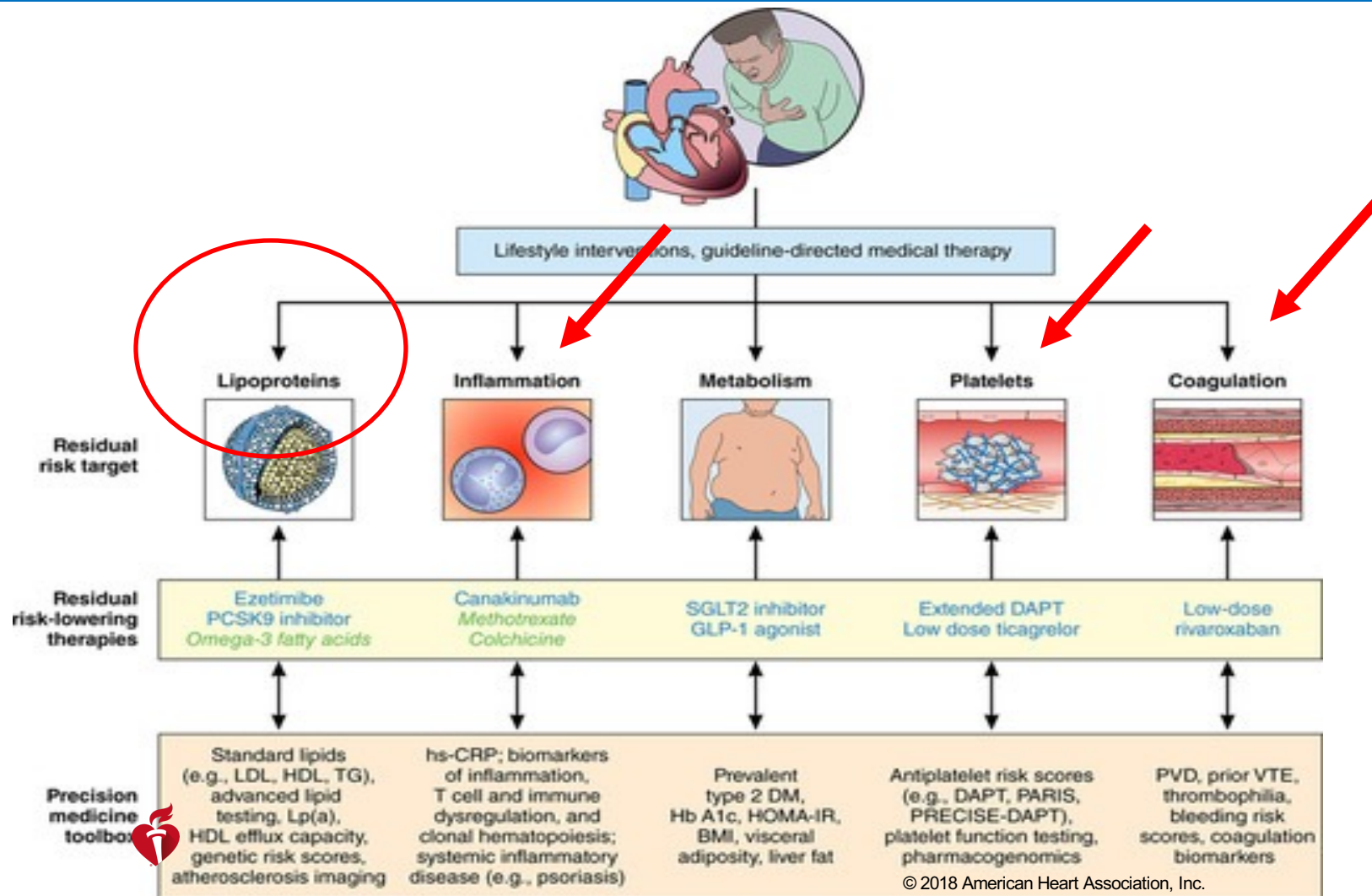
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Lipoprotein(a)



Why study Lp(a): Cardiovascular Residual Risk



Kershaw V. Patel. Circulation. Conceptual Framework for Addressing Residual Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease Risk in the Era of Precision Medicine, Volume: 137, Issue: 24, Pages: 2551-2553, DOI: (10.1161/CIRCULATIONAHA.118.035289)

A Heart Risk Factor Even Doctors Know Little About

Lp(a) Foundation (dissolved 2019)
(Sandra T.) Diagnosis/Billing Codes

E78. 41 Elevated Lipoprotein(a)

Z83. 430 Family history of elevated
Lipoprotein(a)

**FH Foundation (NEW FAMILY
HEART)**

Lp(a) **STARTS FOCUS 2020**

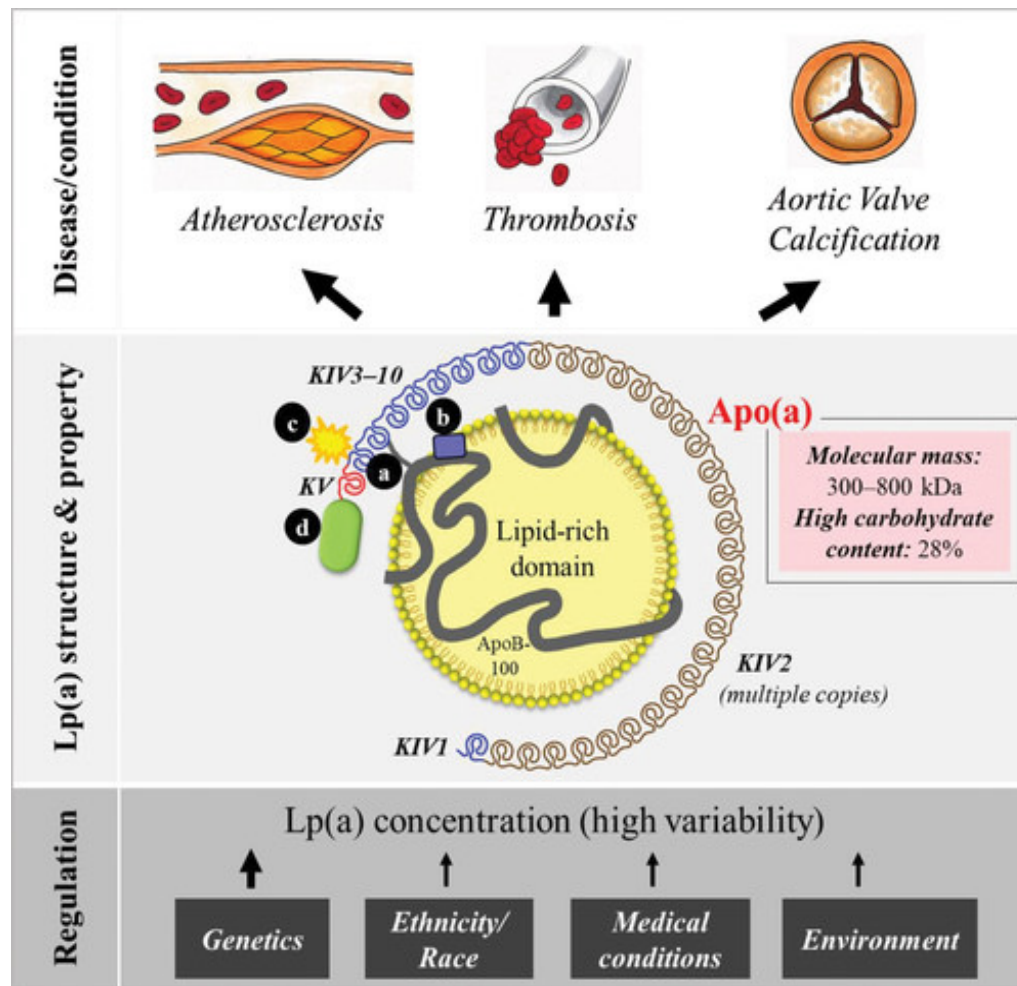
<https://thefhfoundation.org/lpa-and-familial-hypercholesterolemia>



By Anahad O'Connor
Jan. 9, 2018 NY TIMES

Bob Harper, the celebrity fitness trainer from the TV show "The Biggest Loser," suffered a heart attack... He eventually found out the cause was a particle in the blood called lipoprotein(a), which few doctors test for.
Hilary Swift for The New York Times

AHA Scientific Statement on Lipoprotein(a)



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AHA SCIENTIFIC STATEMENT

Lipoprotein(a): A Genetically Determined, Causal, and Prevalent Risk Factor for Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease

A Scientific Statement From the American Heart Association

The International Atherosclerosis Society endorses this statement.

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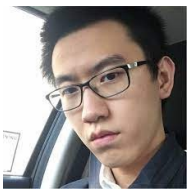
ABSTRACT: High levels of lipoprotein(a) [Lp(a)], an apoB100-containing lipoprotein, are an independent and causal risk factor for atherosclerotic cardiovascular diseases through mechanisms associated with increased atherogenesis, inflammation, and thrombosis. Lp(a) is predominantly a monogenic cardiovascular risk determinant, with a 70% to 90% of interindividual heterogeneity in levels being genetically determined. The 2 major protein components of Lp(a) particles are apoB100 and apolipoprotein(a). Lp(a) remains a risk factor for cardiovascular disease development even in the setting of effective reduction of plasma low-density lipoprotein cholesterol and apoB100. Despite its demonstrated contribution to atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease burden, we presently lack standardization and harmonization of assays, universal guidelines for diagnosing and providing risk assessment, and targeted treatments to lower Lp(a). There is a clinical need to understand

Clinical Considerations:

1. You can measure it! If it is high, you can provide guidance to patient and family members.
2. You should measure apoB100
3. LOWER ALL OTHER RISK and apoB100

Needs in the field: Research Areas

1. Race/ethnicity
2. Genetics
3. Disease Presentation
4. Conclusive Mechanisms



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Are we measuring Lp(a)?

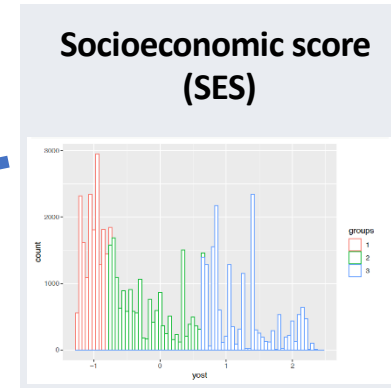
SRRE and Socioeconomic Determinants in Lp(a) Screening

Hispanics, Blacks, Multi-Racial and Asians significantly less likely to get tested, while Whites more likely

Lp(a) Measurement at CUIMC
02/2020-09/2022

0.3% tested in general population
73% of patients compliant with test

SRRE		
SRRE	Estimate	P-value
Black	-1.76	<0.001***
Hispanic	-1.15	<0.001***
Multi-Racial	-4.18	<0.001***
Asian	-2.08	<0.001***
White	0.90	<0.001***



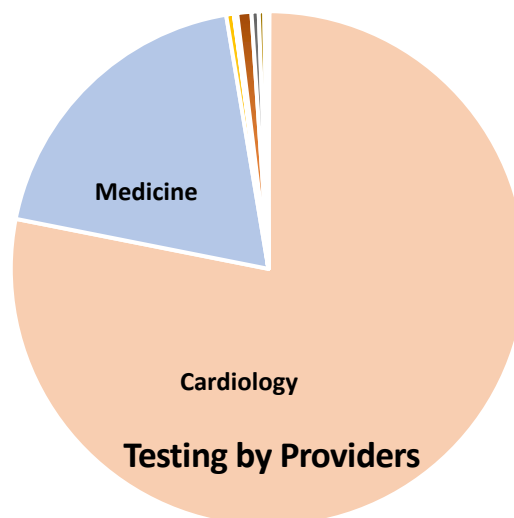
low SES more likely to get Lp(a) ordered than high SES

N=52,436, 4% tested for Lp(a)

More likely to be tested ↑

Diagnosis

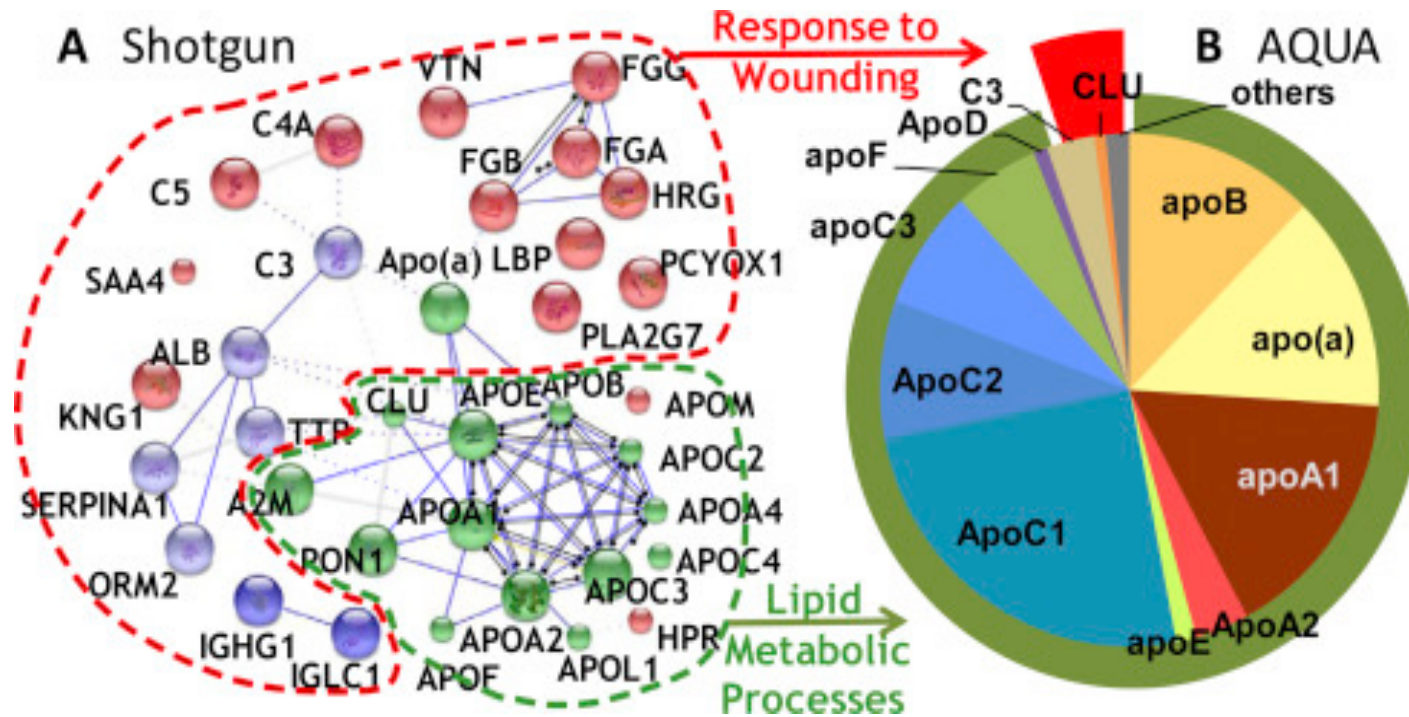
- Coronary Artery Disease
- Carotid Artery Disease
- PAD
- High LDL on statin
- FH
- Stroke
- MI



Insurance

Private vs Medicaid/Medicare

Lp(a) Particles are Mostly Involved in Lipid Metabolic Pathways



“5% of the total number of proteins molecules contributes to “response to wounding” whereas the majority of 95% of protein molecules per particle are involved in “lipid metabolic processes”.

Can we use *LPA* Genetics and Link to Metabolism?

Washington Heights-Hamilton Heights-Inwood
Community Aging Project

- **WHICAP – community-based study**
- Age 65 and older
- Seen in home at 18 – 24 month intervals
- Dx based on neuropsychological test battery, medical & functional interview
- Study cohort extended to large families from Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico
 - 6000 samples with longitudinal follow-up
 - Multi-ethnic cohort (50% Hispanics, 20% Caucasians and 30% African Americans)

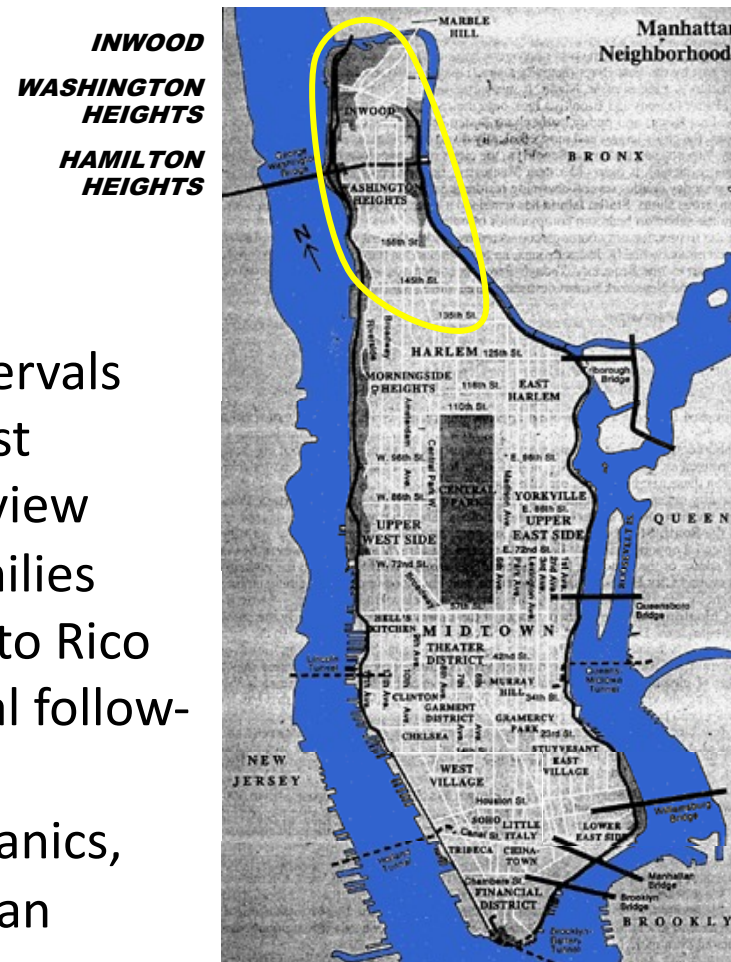
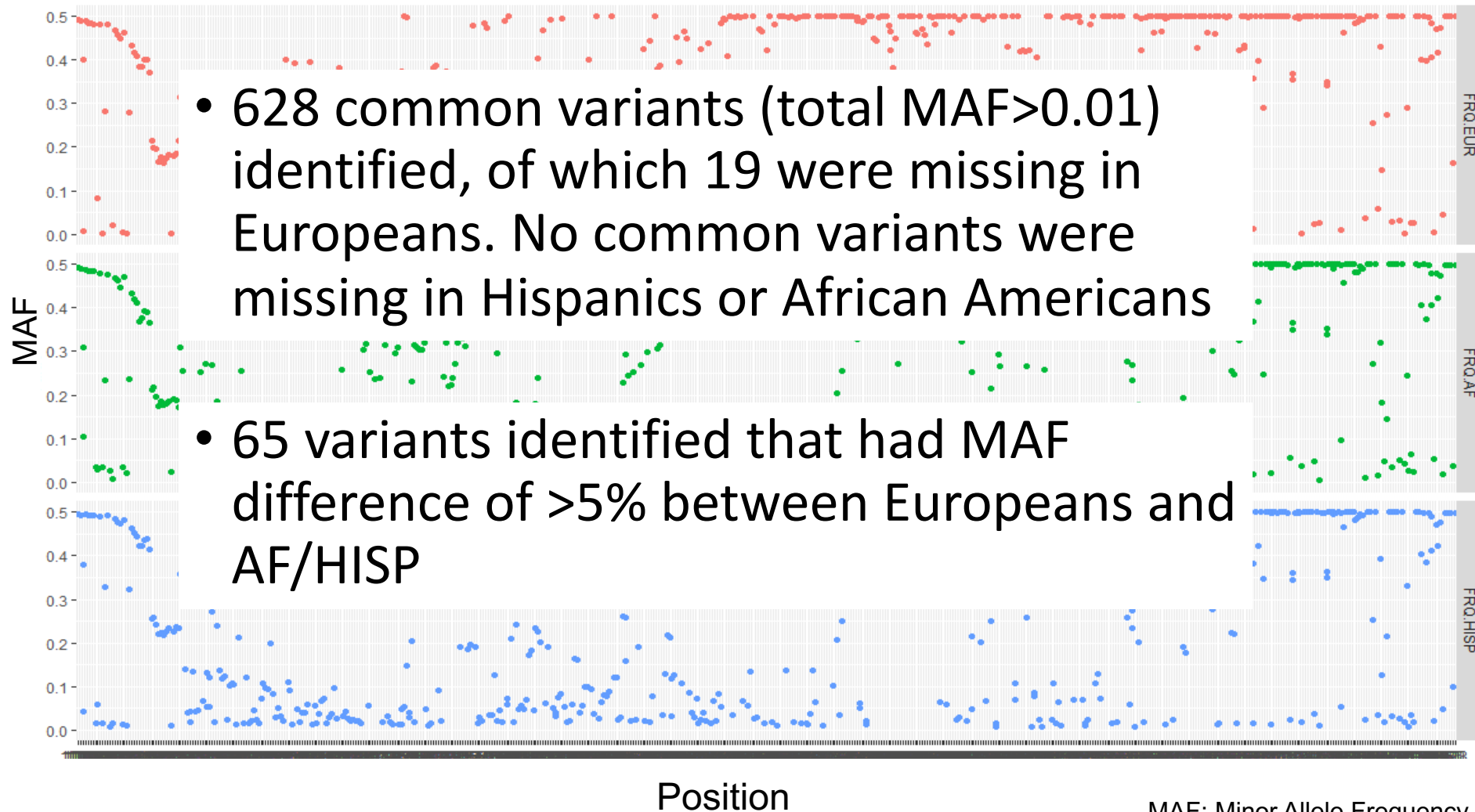


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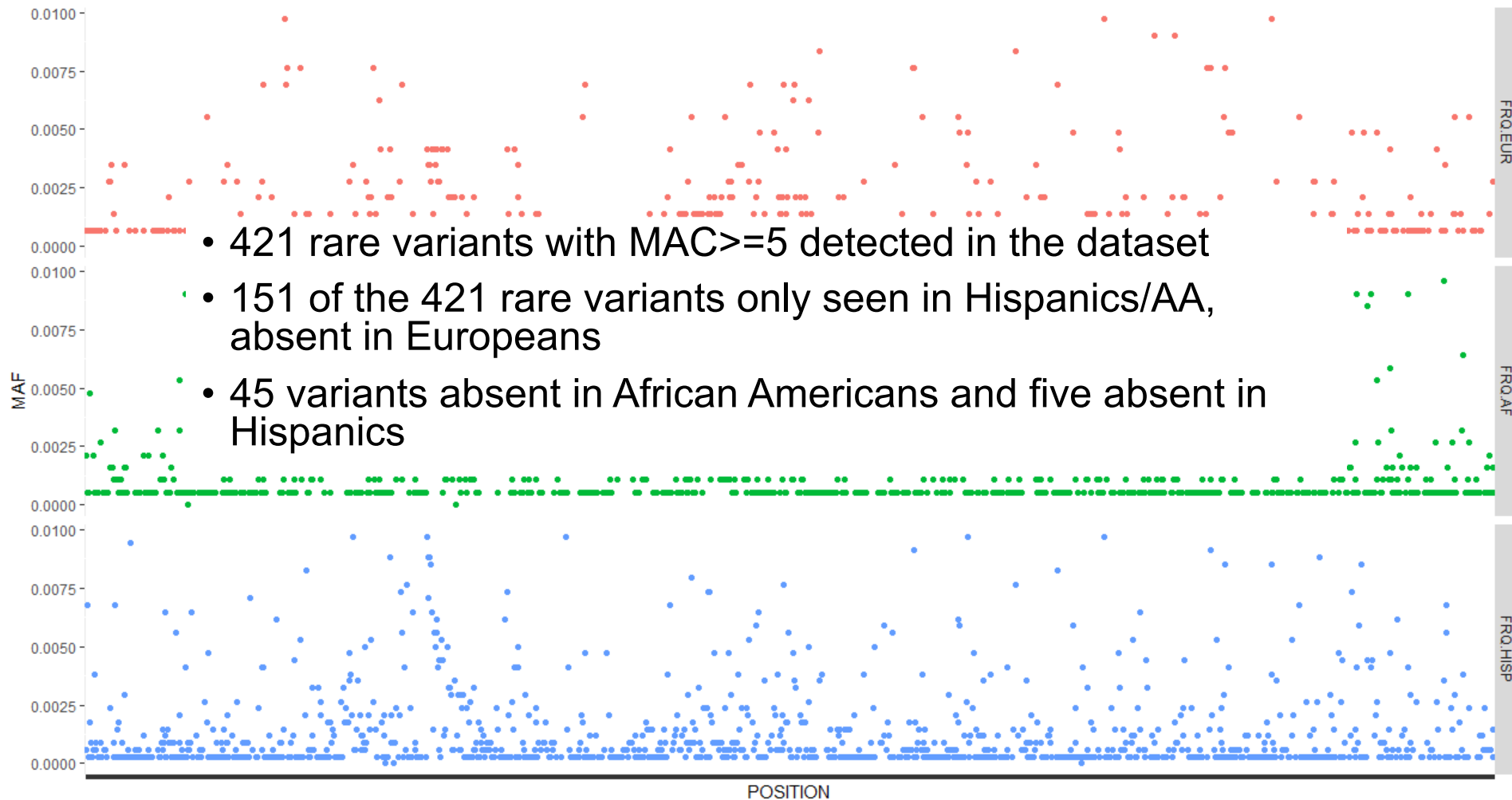
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Common Variation in *LPA* KIV2 Repeat by Ethnicity



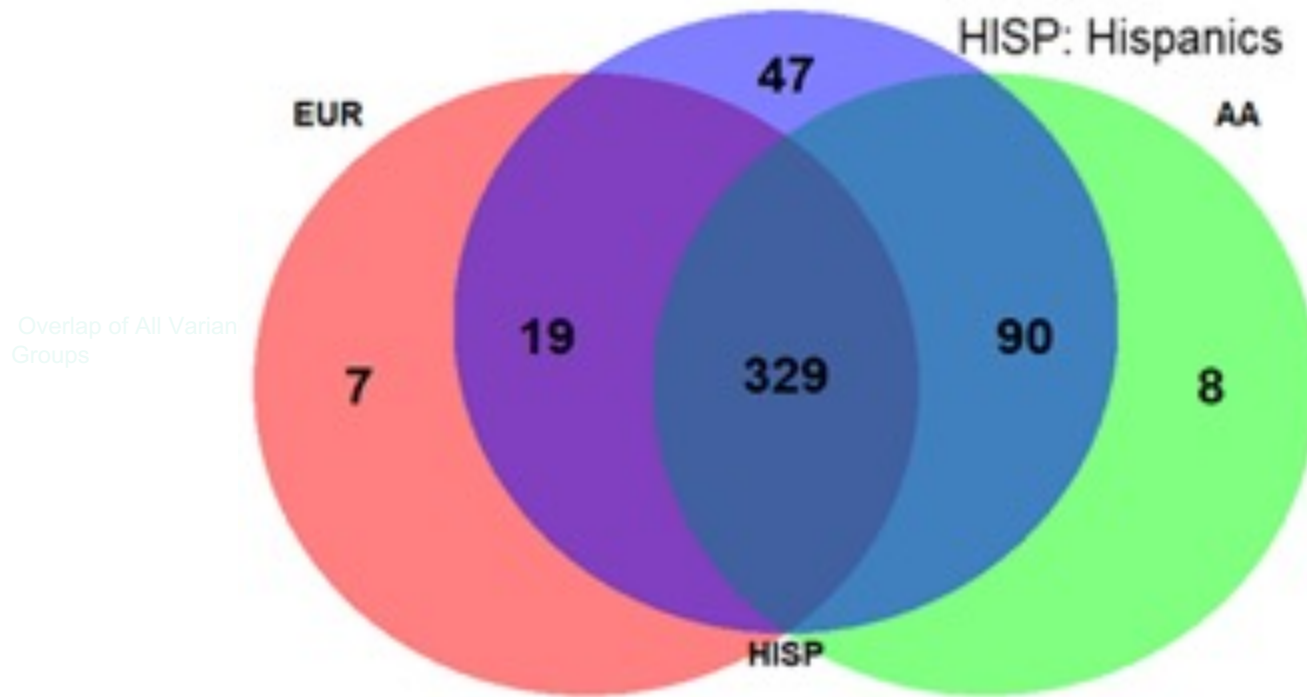
MAF: Minor Allele Frequency
EUR: Europeans
AF: Black
HISP: Hispanics

Rare Variations in *LPA* KIV2 Repeats By Ethnicity



MAF: Minor Allele Frequency
EUR: Europeans
AF: Black
HISP: Hispanics

ETHNIC GROUPS EUR: Europeans
AF: Black
HISP: Hispanics



Association of *LPA* variants by Phenotype

- Tested association of variants with lipid levels, Dementia, history heart disease and Stroke
- Tested association independently in each ethnic group adjusting for age, sex and population substructure variables (PCs).
- Meta-analyzed results and included only variants observed in all three ethnic groups

Association of *LPA* variants by Phenotype

AAMarkerName	Allele1	Allele2	Effect	StdErr	P.value	Direction EUR/AA/HISP	TRAIT	NOVEL VARIANT*
4564-G/A	a	g	2.08	0.35	2.73E-09	+++	HISTORY OF HEART DISEASE	YES
5069-C/T	t	c	-36.75	6.43	1.07E-08	---	CHOLESTEROL	YES
1001-A/G	a	g	-1.68	0.30	1.47E-08	---	HISTORY OF HEART DISEASE	YES
602-G/T	t	g	2.32	0.43	5.47E-08	?++	HISTORY OF HEART DISEASE	YES
595-A/G	a	g	26.36	4.91	7.69E-08	+++	CHOLESTEROL	YES
4574-G/C	c	g	1.60	0.31	2.19E-07	+++	HISTORY OF HEART DISEASE	YES
717-G/A	a	g	2.12	0.42	3.52E-07	?++	HISTORY OF HEART DISEASE	YES
595-A/G	a	g	22.49	4.65	1.32E-06	+++	LDL	YES
943-T/G	t	g	31.33	6.49	1.39E-06	+++	CHOLESTEROL	YES
672-A/C	a	c	57.71	11.96	1.40E-06	?+?	CHOLESTEROL	YES
5092-G/T	t	g	-30.89	6.52	2.18E-06	---	CHOLESTEROL	YES

Goal:

1. Predicting Lp(a) levels (using genetic SNPs) that include Blacks and Caribbean Hispanics, historically understudied populations at increased risk for development of ASCVD and worse clinical
2. Understanding the effects of SNPS linked to Cardiovascular Disease on Lp(a) components and the production and clearance from the liver.

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