# Global IPF Collaborative Network: a Platform for IPF Genetics



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# **Global IPF Collaborative Network**

- **Vision:** Further understand the genetics of IPF by collecting more than 10,000 ethnically diverse cases of IPF
  - Currently **30-40%** of the genetic risk of IPF is known in NHWs

#### • Network

- >70 international investigators (40 sites)
- Network members will participate in all publications
- Network members have access to their site's genetic data

# **Global IPF Network Sites**

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40 Sites 70 Investigators ~8,000 study subjects

U.S. Sites (N=14	1)	Outside U.S. Sites (N=26)			
Institution	IPF samples w/ clinical data and	Institution	IPF samples w/ clinical data and DNA 689		
	DNA	University of Nottingham and Royal Brompton, UK			
National Jewish Hospital	246	Bichat Hospital, Paris, France	153		
Vanderbilt University	358	University Hospital of Bellvitge, Spain	178		
University of California San Francisco	508	University of Western Australia	20		
Duko University	220	Cork University Hospital, Ireland	174		
	229	University of Edinburgh, Scotland	310		
University of Pittsburgh	340	Landspitali Hospital, Iceland	86		
Inova Fairfax	19	National University of Ireland, Dublin	78		
Columbia University	113	Helmholtz Zentrum München, Germany	109		
University of Pennsylvania	351	University Medicine Essen - Ruhrlandklinik, Germany	53		
University of Chicago	435	Aarhus University Hospital, Denmark	123		
	68	Thomayer Hospital, Czech Republic	33		
	22	University of Genova, Italy	26		
Brown University	23	Ege University, Turkey	9/9		
University of Alabama Birmingham	7	Gazi University, Turkey	15		
Massachusetts General Hospital	9	GB Morgagni Hospital, Italy	107		
Georgetown University	2	University of British Columbia, Canada	30		
Total IPE Subjects w/ DNA: 7 793 (	>1000 CT scans)	Lung Foundation, Australia	129		
		Papworth Hospital, UK 147			
• NHW – 71%		University of Chile			
<ul> <li>Asian – 22%</li> </ul>		Tokyo National Hospital Japan	/2		
Hispanic - 2%		Kini-Chuo Osaka Janan	43		
inspanic – 5%		Tokyo Dental and Medical Japan	57		
<ul> <li>African/AA – 1%</li> </ul>		Yonesi Severance Hospital, Korea	110		
<ul> <li>Other/Unknown – 3%</li> </ul>		Asan Medical Center, Korea	997		

## **ORIGINAL ARTICLE**

#### Resequencing Study Confirms That Host Defense and Cell Senescence Gene Variants Contribute to the Risk of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis

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## **ORIGINAL ARTICLE**

#### Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Is Associated with Common Genetic Variants and Limited Rare Variants

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# **ORIGINAL ARTICLE**

#### A Polygenic Risk Score for Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis and Interstitial Lung Abnormalities

#### Abstract

**Rationale:** In addition to rare genetic variants and the *MUC5B* locus, common genetic variants contribute to idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) risk. The predictive power of common variants outside the *MUC5B* locus for IPF and interstitial lung abnormalities (ILAs) is unknown.

**Objectives:** We tested the predictive value of IPF polygenic risk scores (PRSs) with and without the *MUC5B* region on IPF, ILA, and ILA progression.

**Methods:** We developed PRSs that included (PRS-M5B) and excluded (PRS-NO-M5B) the *MUC5B* region (500-kb window around rs35705950-T) using an IPF genome-wide association study. We assessed PRS associations with area under the receiver operating characteristic curve (AUC) metrics for IPF, ILA, and ILA progression.

**Measurements and Main Results:** We included 14,650 participants (1,970 IPF; 1,068 ILA) from six multi-ancestry

population-based and case–control cohorts. In cases excluded from genome-wide association study, the PRS-M5B (odds ratio [OR] per SD of the score, 3.1;  $P = 7.1 \times 10^{-95}$ ) and PRS-NO-M5B (OR per SD, 2.8;  $P = 2.5 \times 10^{-87}$ ) were associated with IPF. Participants in the top PRS-NO-M5B quintile had ~sevenfold odds for IPF compared with those in the first quintile. A clinical model predicted IPF (AUC, 0.61); rs35705950-T and PRS-NO-M5B demonstrated higher AUCs (0.73 and 0.7, respectively), and adding both genetic predictors to a clinical model yielded the highest performance (AUC, 0.81). The PRS-NO-M5B was associated with ILA (OR, 1.25) and ILA progression (OR, 1.16) in European ancestry participants.

**Conclusions:** A common genetic variant risk score complements the *MUC5B* variant to identify individuals at high risk of interstitial lung abnormalities and pulmonary fibrosis.

**Keywords:** idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; interstitial lung abnormalities; polygenic risk score; *MUC5B* 

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# IPF GWAS Among Asian Ancestries

## Genome-wide association studies of IPF

Study	Population	Discovery Sample Size	Findings
Mushiroda, 2008	Japanese	159 cases 934 controls	TERT
Fingerlin, 2013	NHW	1,616 cases 4,683 controls	
Noth, 2013	NHW	542 cases 542 controls	11p15, 17q21
Fingerlin, 2016 imputation	NHW	1,616 cases 4,683 controls	DRB1*15:01, DQB1*06:02
Allen, 2017	NHW	602 cases 3,366 controls	АКАР13
Allen, 2020	NHW	Meta-analysis	KIF15, MAD1L1, DEPTOR



## GWAS of IPF among Asian ancestry Global IPF Network

- Asian countries (South Korea, Taiwan) report incidences of IPF, similar to that of European countries, on average
- The Global IPF Network has collected >2,700 samples from individuals of Asian ancestry, including IPF and control samples.
- Now possible to investigate genetics of IPF among Asians
- Are IPF risk variants in Asian patients shared/distinct from those in NHW populations?

# GLOBAL IPF NETWORK Asian study population from 2023

• Available IPF and controls samples, genotyped on MEGA chip

	Controls	Cases
Japanese	1262	341
Korean	1	628
Other-Asian	4	25

- Confounding between disease status and country of origin
  - Significant differences between cases and controls could be attributed to differences in genetic ancestry
  - **Examine PCs**

# PCs show confounding between disease and genetic ancestry



### GWAS Results Korean and Japanese cohorts combined



Excess genomic inflation

#### Meta-analysis Adding external Korean controls



Unable to differentiate false-positives vs. true positives

#### New meta-analysis

with internally genotyped Korean controls

- Genotyped ~500 additional Korean controls
- Combined with Japanese + Korean cases
- Imputed genotypes to 1000Genomes EAS population
- Japan + Korea meta-analysis



#### **Final Study Cohorts**

	Japa	anese	Korean		
	Case	Control	Case	Controls	
Ν	359	1272	667	451	
Female, N (%)	80 (22)	514 (40)	147 (22)	102 (23)	
Age, Mean (SD)	70.1 (9.1)	38.5 (11.5)	65.9 (8.5)	50.7 (7.8)	

# New meta-analysis with internally genotyped Korean controls



## Effects of significant SNPs

Gene	SNP	Position	Genotyped	P-value	OR, Meta	OR, Japan	OR, Korea
FAM13A	rs7690839	4:89819324	Imputed	3.2 x10 <sup>-15</sup>	1.64	1.50 (1.26-1.77)	1.78 (1.50-
							2.12)
TERT	rs7734992	5:1280128	Imputed	1.9 x10 <sup>-11</sup>	1.59	1.52 (1.25-1.85)	1.68 (1.39-2.04)
DSP	rs2076295	6:7563232	Genotyped	5.7 x10 <sup>-10</sup>	1.47	1.39 (1.18-1.65)	1.54 (1.30-1.83)
MUC5B	rs35705950†	11:1241221	Taqman	3.5 x10 <sup>-8</sup>		20.22 (6.95-58.9)	

+ Sample size reduced, N=1,601



- Overlapping confidence intervals suggest similar effects among Japanese and Koreans
- Estimated effect sizes of SNPs appear generally higher for Korean cohort
- Differences may be due to case-control ratio, age, diagnosis/etiology

# IPF risk variants identified in European populations

compared to Asian GWAS meta-analysis

			Japanese/Korean,				European,	
			GWAS Meta-analysis				Resequencing *	
Gene	SNP	Position	Genotyped	P-value	OR	MAF in	OR	MAF in
						cases		cases
FAM13A	rs2609260+	4:89836819	Imputed	6.40x10 <sup>-13</sup>	1.56	0.52	1.35	0.23
TERT	rs4449583†	5:1284135	Imputed	4.364x10 <sup>-09</sup>	0.67	0.27	0.68	0.26
DSP	rs2076295	6:7563232	Genotyped	5.73x10 <sup>-10</sup>	1.47	0.60	1.27	0.54
MUC5B	rs35705950‡	11:1241221	Taqman	3.47x10 <sup>-8</sup>	20.22	0.03	5.45	0.35

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+ Top SNP in Asian meta-analysis different from SNP in resequencing study (Moore et al., 2019)

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## Conclusions & Next Steps

- IPF risk variants identified within Japanese/Korean and European populations are similar
- Variant effect sizes and allele frequencies among IPF patients are different
- Publication of manuscript is in progress
- Please continue to share DNA from you patients from different genetic backgrounds so we can build on this research

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# **Future Projects**

- Determine the effect of ancestry (Hispanic and African/African American) on rare and common IPF gene variants
- Explore the relationship between the validated genetic variants and clinical/radiographic/pathologic phenotypes (≈1200 HRCT scans)
- Expand to RA-ILD and CHP