# A low-frequency inactivating *AKT2* variant enriched in the Finnish population is associated with fasting insulin levels and type 2 diabetes risk.

Short title: AKT2 coding variant affects fasting insulin levels

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SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF ASSOCIATION RESULTS AT KNOWN AND NOVEL LOCI.

The exome-wide single variant association results are displayed in **Supplementary Table 2**. We first partitioned the significant ( $P < 5 \times 10^{-7}$ ) and suggestive ( $P < 5 \times 10^{-6}$ ) single variant association results into two sets: variants in previously reported associated regions [**Supplementary Table 2A**] and variants with potentially novel association signals [**Supplementary Table 2B**].

Of the 57 loci with common variants associated with FG or FI in multiple ancestries<sup>4,5,10,58,72-80</sup>, twenty-one regions contained significant or suggestive association signals in our analysis. Of the seven regions harboring significant associations with non-synonymous variants, five (GCKR, G6PC2, SLC30A8, PCSK1, and GLP1R) were described previously by our group<sup>10</sup>, where, when possible, conditional analyses and functional experiments are utilized to illuminate functional transcripts. In the MADD locus, a missense variant ACP2 p.Arg29Gln showed significant association with FG levels ( $P = 1.91 \times 10^{-7}$ , MAF = 38%). This variant is in low LD (P = 0.138) with the reported variant, rs7944584 ( $P = 2.62 \times 10^{-11}$ , MAF = 39%), but after conditioning on rs7944584 the association was not significant (P = 0.003). An additional association with a low-frequency variant was observed at the MTNR1B locus. A variant upstream of MTNR1B, rs7950811, (effect = 0.057;  $P = 6.8 \times 10^{-11}$ ), has a MAF of 4.5% and in low LD with the index SNP, rs10830963 (P = 0.002), in 1000 Genomes data<sup>121</sup>. After conditioning on the index SNP, the association of rs7950811 with FG remained significant ( $P = 0.07 \times 10^{-7}$ ). For FI, five regions contained significant or suggestive association signals. All of the insulinassociated variants were common with MAF > 25%. Two of these regions, the GCKR and GRB14/COBLL1 loci, harbor significant missense variants and were previously described<sup>10</sup>.

Association results at previously reported variants from genome-wide association studies are presented in **Supplementary Table 2C**. Of the 68 previously published common variant associations with FG and FI, we were able to carry out association tests at 36 FG and 16 FI variants. Thirty of the FG association loci showed P < 0.05, with 100 % having a consistent direction of effect. Thirteen FI associated loci had P < 0.05, with 100% demonstrating a consistent direction of effect.

#### Potentially novel association signals

We observed five and seven variants passing suggestive level of significance for FI and FG, respectively **[Supplementary Table 2B]**. As this analysis focused on coding variation, we took the three coding variants forward to a replication analysis in four independent Finnish studies (N = 5,747)<sup>82-85</sup>. The p.Pro50Thr variant in *AKT2* was present and well-imputed in the 1000 Genomes reference panel (imputation score: 0.886 to 0.957). The correlation between imputed and directly genotyped genotypes was high ( $r^2 > 0.88$ ), and the association of this variant with FI levels replicated, (P<sub>replication</sub> = 0.00054, N = 5,747) resulting in a combined (discovery and replication) sample P value of  $9.98 \times 10^{-10}$  [Supplementary Table 2E]. *MMEL1* p.Glu323Gln, which has a MAF of only 0.2% (seven minor allele carriers in the HBCS subset), was poorly imputed and not tested for

association (imputation score: 0.718 to 0.945,  $r^2 = 0.57$ ). *TP53BP1* p.Thr1278lle was not observed in the studies.

Summary of exome-wide significant gene based association results

The suggestive and significant gene based association signals from each ancestry group in the exome sequencing data and the exome chip data, as well as combined results, are displayed in **Supplementary Table 2D**. The *AKT2* gene based association with FI is described in the main text.

In gene-based tests using the PTV+NS<sub>broad</sub> mask, *NDUFAF1* was significantly associated with FI levels ( $P_{Burden}$  = 1.10 × 10<sup>-6</sup>). This association was driven by a single missense variant (p.His309Asp, rs199599633, P = 9.3 × 10<sup>-5</sup>, N = 1,673) that was not associated with FI levels in exome array data (P = 0.018, N = 19,569). NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) complex I, assembly factor 1, or *NDUFAF1*, encodes for a complex I assembly factor protein, which is part of the first step of the respiratory chain. Mutations in both copies of this gene are reported to cause mitochondrial complex I deficiency, which manifests as cardioenphalomypathy or fatal hypertrophic cardiomyopathy while heterozygous parents were reported as healthy<sup>122,123</sup>.

Additionally, a third gene, GIMAP8, was associated with FG levels in the PTV-only mask ( $P_{Burden} = 2.30 \times 10^{-6}$ ). This association was driven by singleton and doubleton variants. This gene encodes a GTPase of the immunity-associated protein family<sup>124</sup>

#### SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE 2: EXPRESSION PROFILE OF AKT2

To gain further insights into the tissues relevant for AKT2 function we explored gene and transcript expression patterns of AKT2 (ENSG00000105221) from multiple (N = 44) human tissues using RNA sequencing (RNA-seq) data from the Genotype Tissue Expression (GTEx) Project<sup>108</sup>.

In the GTEx data AKT2 is ubiquitously expressed [Supplementary Fig. 10A,B]; the gene is present in all the available tissues (median expression across individuals RPKM<sup>125</sup> (reads per kb per million reads) > 7 in all tissues, [Supplementary Table 4] and in all individuals, in agreement with previous studies examining AKT2 expression via RT-PCR, Western blot, and Northern Blot analysis<sup>37,38,126,127</sup>, and documented essential role of AKT isoforms in biological processes throughout the body<sup>39</sup>. No enrichment of AKT2 expression is present in insulin sensitive tissues (i.e. pancreas, skeletal muscle, adipose tissue (both subcutaneous and visceral), liver and kidney cortex) via RNA sequencing as proposed in mouse and rat models, however, this is consistent with previous examination of AKT2 mRNA in human tissues<sup>38,126-128</sup>. This GTEx RNA sequencing data does not address insulin-sensitive tissue enrichment seen at the level of AKT2 protein, yet in general mRNA levels correlate with protein abundance<sup>129-131</sup>.

AKT2 has multiple alternatively spliced transcripts, yet little is known of their specific roles, and therefore we investigated which of the transcripts are the most abundant and which tissues these are active in Gencode version 12 used in the gene and transcript annotations lists 28 AKT2 transcripts and 17 of these transcripts are expressed (mean RPKM > 1) in at least one of the studied tissues [Supplementary Fig. 10C,D]. However, majority of the expression appears to be due to three AKT2 transcripts: AKT2-004 (processed transcript) and AKT2-001 (protein-coding) that span the full length of the gene, and AKT2-008 (protein-coding), which does not include the downstream exons. Together these three transcripts constitute on average 44% (range 18-65%) of AKT2 expression in the GTEx tissues. The two longer AKT2 transcripts, AKT2-004 and AKT2-001, follow similar expression pattern to the gene, while the shorter one, AKT2-008, shows more specific pattern of expression being most expressed in uterus, kidney cortex and esophagus mucosa.

The exon containing the p.Pro50Thr variant is included in 14 out of 28 expressed transcripts (all the 28 *AKT2* transcripts are expressed at a detectable level in at least one individual in at least one tissue), including in all the three most highly expressed transcripts [**Supplementary Fig. 10D**]. The expression profile of the exon containing p.Pro50Thr is similar to the whole *AKT2* gene with the tissues showing highest *AKT2* expression generally having the higher levels of expression of the exon containing p.Pro50Thr [**Supplementary Fig. 10B**]. Notably, the exon is expressed in all tissues and all individuals, further suggesting that the exon likely encodes part of the protein integral for its function.

Similarly to *AKT2*, the two other members of the *AKT* gene family, *AKT1* and *AKT3*, are expressed in all the tissues available in the GTEx data with the exception of rather low expression of *AKT3* in liver and whole blood. Of the three genes, *AKT1* is generally the most and *AKT3* the least abundant in all tissues. *AKT2* is the

most highly expressed of the three homologs (P < 0.05 for all comparisons using one-sided paired Student's t-test and log2 transformed expression values) only in skeletal muscle, pituitary and cerebellum/cerebellar hemisphere, with the higher AKT2 expression being most pronounced in skeletal muscle [**Supplementary Fig. 11**].

## SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE 3: PATHWAY ANALYSES

#### Methods

We used biological knowledge to test for enrichment of signal in pathways. Pathways and networks were selected from MSigDB<sup>132</sup>, which includes Gene Ontology, pathways from KEGG, Ingenuity, Reactome, and Biocarta; and the manually curated monogenic pathways previously considered. We carried out a two-stage enrichment analysis: step one calculates gene aggregation scores using a function of single variant statistics; and step two calculates gene set scores using a function of aggregation scores from each gene in the set. In step one, we make use of a range of gene aggregation functions, including the minimum p-value (or maximum Bayes' factor) for single-variant association (within ancestry or trans-ethnic) in the gene (with correction for the number of variants in the gene). In step two, we apply a pre-ranked GSEA method<sup>132</sup>, which consists of a sensitive-improved Kolmogorov-Smirnov (random bridge) statistic, and which provides better correction of the null distribution for highly correlated gene sets (as we see for our hand curated gene sets). Additionally, we performed a biologically enhanced pathway analyses with DEPICT<sup>133</sup>, an integrative tool that we used to highlight enriched pathways and identify tissues/cell types where genes from associated loci are highly expressed.

**Gene set definitions:** We assembled pre-defined, hand-curated lists to create four gene sets: "Monogenic All" (N = 81), including any gene with reported mutations that result in a disease or syndrome leading to either increased prevalence of diabetes or changes in glycemic traits. We further prioritized two subsets of genes, "Monogenic Glucose" (N = 41) and "Monogenic Insulin" (N = 37) including any gene with mutations leading to changes in respective glycemic traits as a primary feature. The list contains genes identified before September 2013. The fourth gene set, "Insulin Receptor Signaling," was created using Ingenuity Pathway Analysis (IPA) tools<sup>134</sup> by merging the insulin receptor signaling, IGF-1 signaling, and PI3K/AKT signaling pathways and adding all downstream phosphylated substrates of AKT.

**Association Analysis:** SKAT and burden tests were performed after aggregating functional variants (according to the previously described criteria) across all the genes in each gene set. Conditional analyses were performed using features implemented in RareMETALS<sup>67,68</sup>.

Enrichment of association signals: Empirical enrichment for the number of gene based tests with P < 0.001 and the number of single variant tests with P < 0.001 in each gene set was determined by first counting the number of tests below the threshold. For a particular gene set, let  $N_{\text{observed}}$  denote the number of tests with P < 0.001. A pool of similar genes was assigned to each gene in the gene set, according to the quartile of exon length and quintiles of the number of the nonsynonymous and synonymous variants in the gene. For each gene set, 1,000 matched gene sets were created. An empirical distribution of  $N_i$  (the number of tests with P < 0.001 in matched set i) was constructed for each of the matched sets. The empirical enrichment P-value was calculated by observing the proportion of matched sets with  $N_i \ge N_{\text{observed}}$ .

Additional traits related to insulin resistance: We examined the single variant association of fasting adiponectin level (log-transformed, age, sex and BMI adjusted, and inverse-normalized), 2 hour glucose level (age, sex and BMI-adjusted, and inverse-normalized) and 2 hour insulin level (log-transformed, age, sex and BMI adjusted, and inverse-normalized) in these pathways using exome array data when available from the discovery cohorts (D2D2007, DPS, DRSEXTRA, FINRISK, FUSION, Health2008, Inter99, METSIM, ULSAM).

#### Results

To further assess the evidence of enriched signals in biologically related genes, we looked for enrichment across pathways using both hand curated and publically available pathways. This was conducted using GSEA<sup>132,135,136</sup>. While no gene-set was significant after multiple testing correction, there is enrichment for several pathways, including adipocytokine signaling, glucose transport, galactose metabolism, glycolysis and gluconeogenesis, and starch and sucrose metabolism pathways, all of which include both *G6PC2* and *G6PC*. While the *G6PC2* association with FG has previously been described <sup>10</sup>, we note that *G6PC* mutations result in glycogen storage disorders<sup>137</sup>.

Since AKT2 lies in the insulin receptor signaling pathway and AKT2 mutations are a known cause of both familial lipodystophy, severe insulin resistance and hypoglycemia <sup>23-26</sup> we next explored whether there was an enrichment of rare and low frequency variants in these gene sets ("Monogenic Genes," and "Insulin Receptor Signaling Genes") [Supplementary Table 8A]. First, we tested for global enrichment by aggregating all variants predicted to be deleterious using the annotation masks previously described for gene based testing (PTV-only, PTV+NS<sub>strict</sub>, PTV+NS<sub>broad</sub>, PTV+Missense)<sup>136</sup>. We found a significant enrichment of deleterious variants (protein truncating, splice site and non-synonymous) in the monogenic genes ( $P = 2 \times 10^{-4}$ ) in exome array data [Supplementary Table 8B) but no such enrichment in an analysis of the exome sequencing data set (P = 0.87) [Supplementary Table 8C]. Conditional analyses demonstrated that in addition to AKT2 p.Pro50Thr (P conditional on AKT2 p.Pro50Thr = 0.0017), seven additional top ranked variants contribute to this signal (P conditional on AKT2 p.Pro50Thr, CFTR p.Asp1270Asn, INSR p.Val1012Met, ZMPSTE24 p.Arg178His, ZFP57 p.Arg178His, CFTR splice donor variant rs78756941 and PCNT p.Glu1785Lys jointly = 0.0104) [Supplementary Table S8D,E]. No other novel associations were detected with the other gene sets and variant masks, although when comparing the effects of the burden tests across the four variant aggregation categories, we observed a positive trend of effect as we examined the category containing the least predicted deleterious (PTV+missense) to the most predicted deleterious (PTV-only), although the confidence intervals widen as the number of included variants decrease [Supplementary Fig. 13].

To find specific genes harboring an enrichment of association with either FG or FI levels, we next focused on association results from the monogenic genes, testing each set for empirical enrichment. We found that a gene implicated in congenital generalized lipodystrophy,  $CAV1^{138}$ , showed enrichment of association with FG levels when considering the set of glucose-specific monogenic genes from the exome sequencing analysis (enrichment P = 0.03; CAV1 P = 1.9 × 10<sup>-4</sup> with protein truncating and low-frequency missense variants and P

=  $7.0 \times 10^{-4}$  with protein truncating and predicted deleterious variants). Mutations in *CAV1* are characterized by extreme insulin resistance and lipodystrophy <sup>138</sup> but in our data no association of *CAV1* variants with FI levels was observed. We also observed a borderline enrichment for fasting insulin level with a gene-based burden test in the insulin receptor signaling pathway (enrichment P = 0.06; (*PTGS2* burden P =  $1.1 \times 10^{-4}$  with protein truncating and low-frequency missense variants; [Supplementary Fig. 14, Table S9A,B).

We further examined the association of three quantitative traits related to insulin resistance: fasting adiponectin level, and 2 hour glucose and 2 hour insulin levels after an oral glucose tolerance test. Besides a nominally significance Other than the AKT2 p.Pro50Thr allele association with 2 hour insulin level (Effect = 26% increase, 95% confidence interval = 16% - 38%, P = 7.86 × 10<sup>-8</sup>), no other associations were observed [Supplementary Fig. 14C].

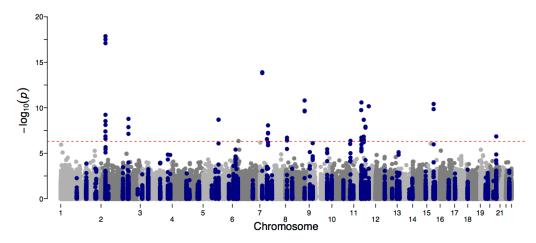
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- AKT2.E17K: FWD: 5'- GGCTCCACAAGCGTGGTAAATACATCAAGACCTGG -3' REV: 5'-CCAGGTCTTGATGTATTTACCACGCTTGTGGAGCC -3'
- AKT2.P50T: FWD: 5'- AGGCCCCTGATCAGACTCTAACCCCCTTAAAC -3' REV: 5'-GTTTAAGGGGGTTAGAGTCTGATCAGGGGCCT -3'
- AKT2.R208K: FWD: 5'- GTCCTCCAGAACACCAAGCACCCGTTCC -3' REV: 5'-GGAACGGGTGCTTGGTGTTCTGGAGGAC -3'
- AKT2.R274H: FWD: 5'- GGGACGTGGTATACCACGACATCAAGCTGGA -3'REV3'REV: 5'-TCCAGCTTGATGTCGTGGTATACCACGTCCC -3'
- AKT2.R467W: FWD: 5'- GGAGCTGGACCAGTGGACCCACTTCCC -3' REV: 5'-GGGAAGTGGGTCCACTGGTCCAGCTCC -3'

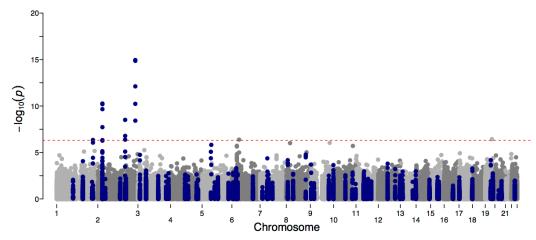
C-terminal, V5-tagged lentiviral pLX304-AKT2.E17K, pLX304-AKT2.P50T, pLX304- AKT2.R208K, pLX304-AKT2.R274H, and pLX304- AKT2.R467W were each generated by subsequent Gateway LR reactions with pDONR223-AKT2.E17K, pDONR223-AKT2.P50T, pDONR223-AKT2.R208K, pDONR223-AKT2.R274H, and pDONR223-AKT2.R467W, respectively, and pLX304 obtained from The Broad Institute Genetics Perturbation Platform. Control plasmid pLX304- empty vector was additionally acquired from The Broad Institute Genetics Perturbation Platform.

## **Supplementary Figures**

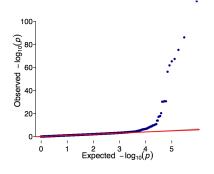
A. Fasting Plasma Glucose \*











D. Fasting Insulin

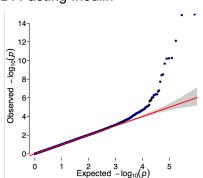
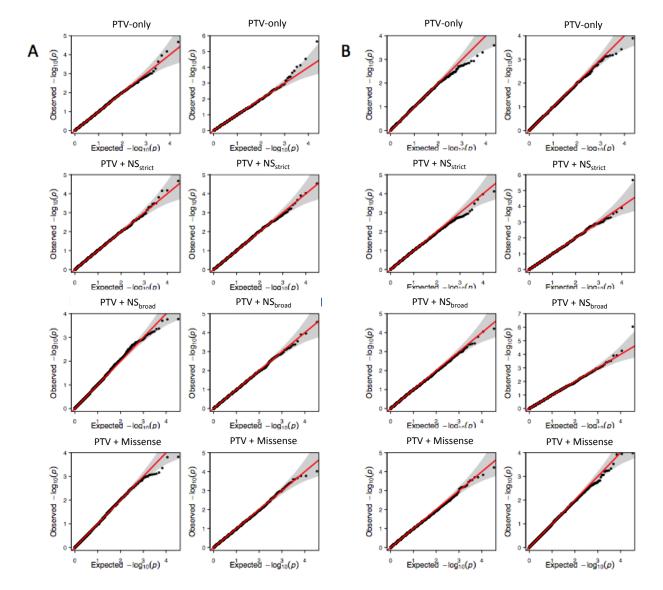


Fig. S1. Manhattan and quantile-quantile (QQ) plots for exome-wide association analysis with FG (A and C) and FI levels (B and D). A. Manhattan plot for FI, B. Manhattan plot for FG, C. QQ plot for FI, D. QQ plot for FI. On the manhattan plots, variants within regions of known association are colored in dark blue, and variants outside those regions are colored in gray. The red horizontal line in the manhattan plots represents the exome-wide significance threshold for single variant associations (P <  $2.5 \times 10^{-7}$ ). In the QQ plots the grey shaded area shows the 95% confidence interval. \* For readability, the FG manhattan plot is truncated at –  $\log 10(P) = 20$ , although variants in the *G6PC2* region on chromosome 2 have – $\log 10(P)$  values > 20.



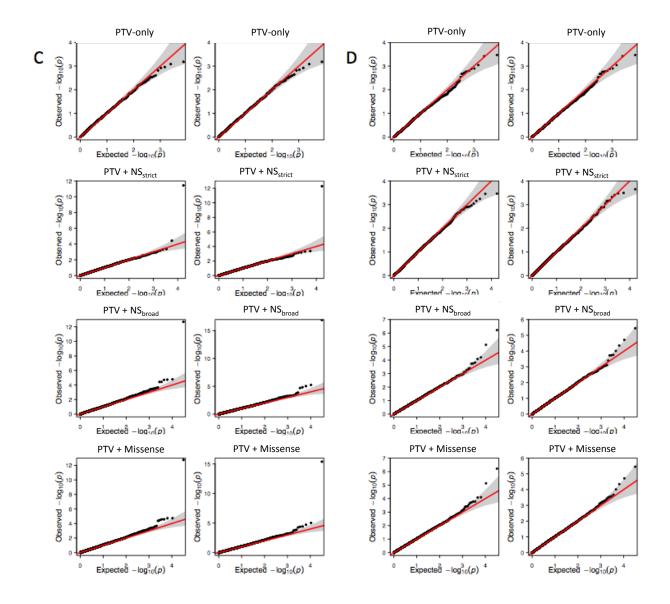


Fig S2. QQ plots from the gene based association tests for FI and FG. Two tests were applied, SKAT (left column) and Burden (right column) to four annotation masks (PTV, PTV+NS<sub>Broad</sub>, PTV+NS<sub>Strict</sub>, PTV+Missense, see **Methods** for description). **A.** FI with variants in exome sequencing data set. **B.** FG with variants in exome sequencing data set. **C.** FI with variants in exome chip data set. The point deviating from the diagonal is the association test for AKT2; see Table S2a for association details. **D.** FG with variants in exome chip data set.

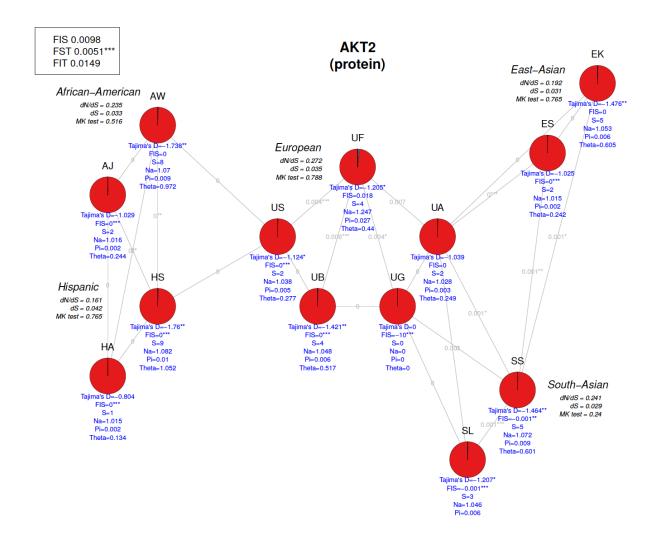
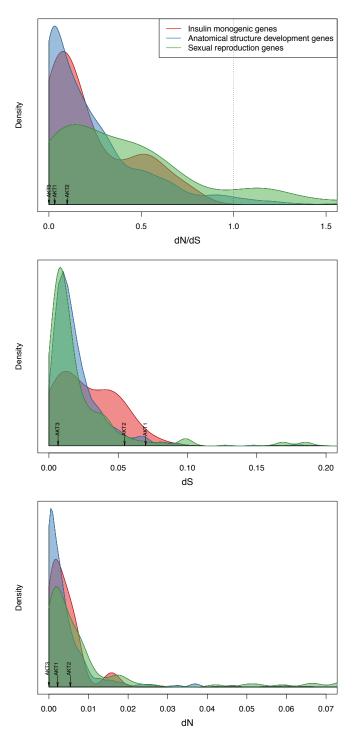
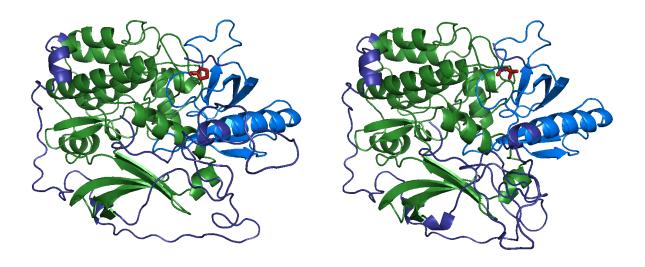


Fig. S3: Population structure and diversity indices of AKT2 protein in the exome sequencing data set. Each pie represents the frequency of different haplotypes, estimated from phased exome sequencing data in the five continental ancestries (grouped by study or country of origin). Significance of Tajima's D and F-statistics (global  $F_{ST}$ ,  $F_{IS}$ ,  $F_{IT}$ , and pairwise  $F_{ST}$  (gray line), and within population  $F_{IS}$ ) are indicated with asterisk: \*P-value < 0.05; \*\*P-value < 0.01; \*\*\*P-value < 0.001. S: Number of segregating sites; Na: expected number of alleles; Pi (π): Mean number of pairwise differences; Theta (θ): Watterson's θ estimate; MK: McDonald-Kreitman test. **African-American**: AJ – Jackson Heart Study, AW – Wake Forest School of Medicine Study; **East-Asian**: EK – Korea Association Research Project, ES – Singapore Diabetes Cohort Study and Singapore Prospective Study Program; **European**: UA – Ashkenazi (US, Israel), UB – UKT2D Consortium (UK) , UF (Finland) – Metabolic Syndrome in Men Study, Finland-United States Investigation of NIDDM Genetics (FUSION) Study, Malmo-Botnia Study, UG (Germany) – KORA-gen (Germany), US (Sweden) – Malmo-Botnia Study; **Hispanic**: HA – San Antonio Family Heart Study, San Antonio Family Diabetes/ Gallbladder Study, Veterans Administration Genetic Epidemiology Study, and the Investigation of Nephropathy and Diabetes Study family component, HS – Starr County, Texas; **South-Asian**: SL – London Life Sciences Population Study, SS – Singapore Indian Eye Study.



**Fig. S4:** *AKT* **family conservation compared to other genes.** The dN/dS ratio (ratio of the number of non-synonymous nucleotide substitutions per non-synonymous site and number of synonymous nucleotide substitutions per synonymous site) is calculated by comparing homologous coding sequences between human and chimpanzee. It indicates the degree to which selection is acting on a gene: ratio < 1 points to negative selection/purifying selection, i.e. evolutionary pressure to conserve the sequence in ancestral state, ratio > 1 to positive selection, and ratio = 1 to neutral evolution. The three *AKT* homologs, highlighted with arrows in the plot, are highly conserved when compared to the set of "Insulin monogenic" genes (37 genes), to which *AKT2* belongs, and two other gene sets: 1,002 anatomical structure development genes ("conserved"), and 132 sexual reproduction genes ("fast evolving").



**Fig S5. Predicted structure change in AKT2 due to** *AKT2* **p.Pro50Thr**. The right plot shows the predicted structure of wild-type AKT2. The right plot shows the predicted structure of AKT2.Thr50.

## A. General linear analysis

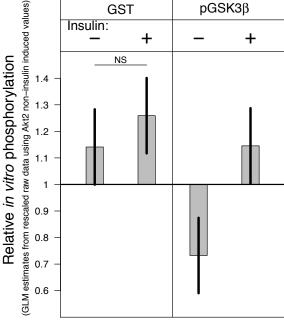
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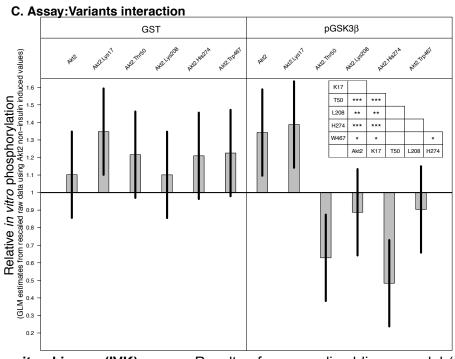
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		Variance			
Variables	DF	explained (%)	F	Pr(>F)	
Round	2	2.73%	1.228	0.300	
Assay	1	8.42%	7.572	0.008	
Insulin induction	1	12.38%	11.125	0.001	
Round:Assay	2	1.60%	0.718	0.492	
Round:Insulin	2	4.52%	2.033	0.140	
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#### Full model:

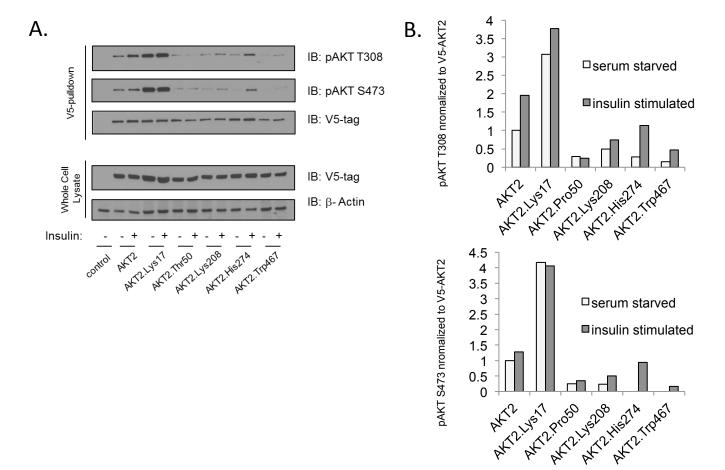
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Assay	1	8.42%	14.71	3.12E-04
Insulin induction	1	12.38%	21.61	1.98E-05
Variants	5	23.52%	8.21	6.49E-06
Assay:Insulin	1	3.34%	5.83	1.90E-02
Assay:Variant	5	19.13%	6.68	5.64E-05

## B. Assay:Insulin interaction





**Fig. S6.** In vitro kinase (IVK) assay. Results of a generalized linear model (GLM) applied on rescaled raw data. The relative substrate phosphorylation values were generated by dividing each value in each round of analysis with the value for non-stimulated, serum-starved AKT2. A first GLM ("Round" model) was analyzed including the Round as variable; the three independent rounds were not significant: we used them as replicate in the Full model. The plots represent the GLM estimates (and 95% CI) in the Full model for the two significant interactions: **A**. Assay:Insulin. **B**. Assay:Variants. **C**. For the Glycogen Synthase Kinase 3 b (GSK3b), the different AKT2 variants show significant relative phosphorylation (pairwise comparison p-values from contrast analysis reported in inset table). For GST-GSK3 peptide, none of the AKT2 variants showed different relative phosphorylation values. \* P < 0.05, \*\* P < 0.01, \*\*\* P < 0.001. DF: degrees of freedom, F: statistic testing the importance of the grouping term, Pr(>F): P value of the F statistic.



## **General linear analysis**

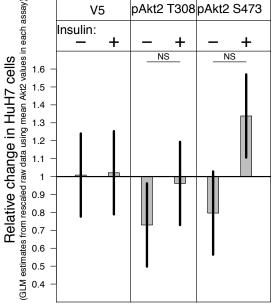
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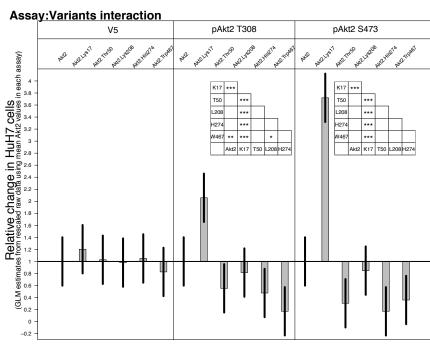
		Variance		
Variables	df	explained (%)	F	Pr(>F)
Round	2	1.86%	0.903	0.409
Assay	2	1.04%	0.504	0.606
Insulin induction	1	2.00%	1.941	0.167
Round:Assay	4	0.20%	0.049	0.995
Round:Insulin	2	0.11%	0.055	0.946
Assay:Insulin	2	1.37%	0.664	0.517
Round:Assay:Insulin	4	0.63%	0.152	0.962

#### Full model:

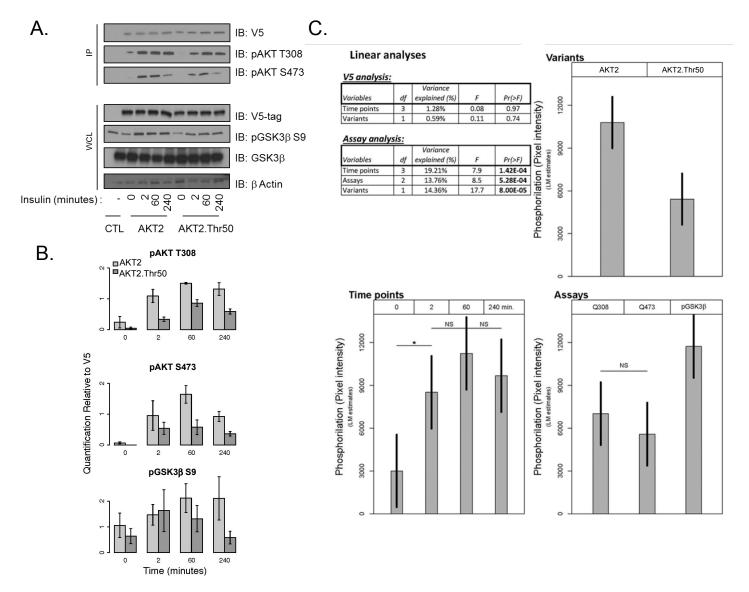
		Variance		
Variables	df	explained (%)	F	Pr(>F)
Assay	2	1.04%	1.96	1.47E-01
Variants	5	46.52%	35.13	2.20E-16
Insulin induction	1	2.00%	7.56	7.28E-03
Assay:Variant	10	26.02%	9.83	8.39E-11
Assay:Insulin	2	1.37%	2.59	8.11E-02

# Assay:Insulin interaction





**Fig. S7**: **Phosphorylation of AKT2 activation sites in HuH7 liver cells** (A) HuH7 cells cells were infected with lentiviral V5-AKT2, V5-AKT2-Lys17, V5-AKT2-Thr50, V5-AKT2-Lys208, V5-AKT2-His274, V5-AKT2-Trp467, starved for 18 hr (white bar), and stimulated for 20 min with 100nm insulin (grey bar). V5-tagged AKT2 was isolated from cell lysates with anti-V5 agarose beads and immunoblots (IB) were probed with indicated antibodies. (B) Phosphorylated AKT2 Thr308 and Ser473 were quantified and normalized to total by V5-AKT2. (C) Linear model for the statistical analysis of quantified pAKT2. The "Round" model tests for significant differences between the three rounds of analysis. The Full model examines significance of assay (V5, pAKT2 T308 and pAKT2 S473) and variants (AKT2, AKT2.Lys17, AKT2.Thr50, AKT2.Lys208, AKT2.His274 and AKT2.Trp467) and their interactions. \* P < 0.05, \*\* P < 0.01, \*\*\* P < 0.001. DF: degrees of freedom, F: statistic testing the importance of the grouping term, Pr(>F): P value of the F statistic.

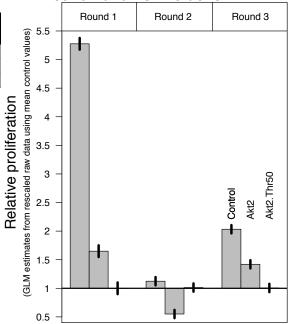


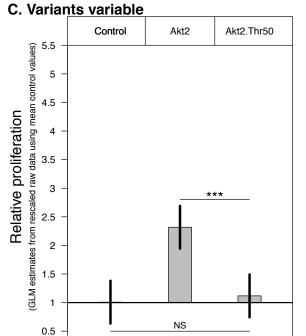
**Fig. S8. Time-course analysis of AKT2 phosphorylation** (A) HeLa cells were infected with lentiviral V5-AKT2, V5-AKT2-Thr50, or control pLX304, starved for 18 hours and then stimulated for 0, 2, 60, and 240 minutes with 100nm insulin. V5-tagged AKT2 was isolated from cell lysates with anti-V5 agarose beads. Immunoprecipitated (IP) V5-AKT2 and whole cell lysates (WCL) were immunoblotted (IB) with the indicated antibodies. Immunoblots are representative of three independent replicates. (B) Quantification of the three replicates of indicated immunoblots relative to total V5-AKT2. (C) Linear Model (LM) statistical analysis across all three independent replicates. Error bars represent the standard deviation (SD). \* P < 0.05, \*\* P < 0.01, \*\*\* P < 0.001.

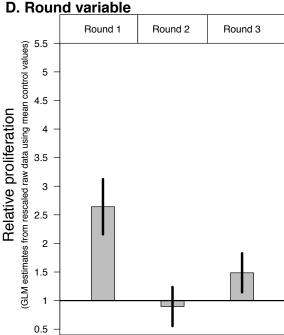
## A. General linear analysis

		Variance		
Variables	df	explained (%)	F	Pr(>F)
Round	2	33.41%	1186.3	2.20E-16
Variants	2	28.95%	1028.2	2.20E-16
Round:Variants	4	37.13%	659.3	2.20E-16

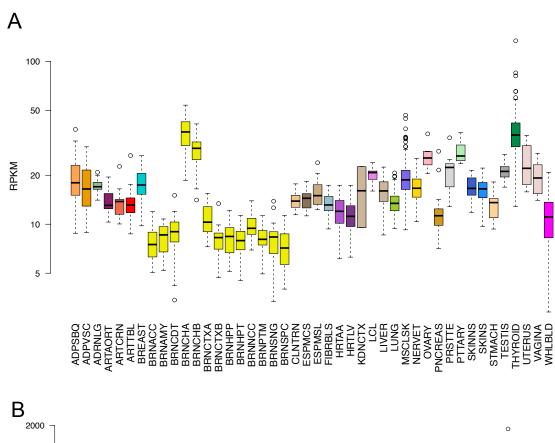
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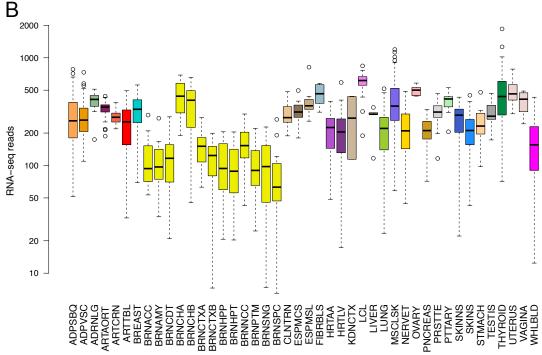


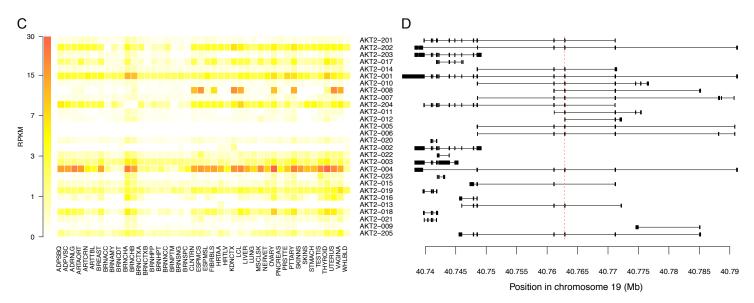




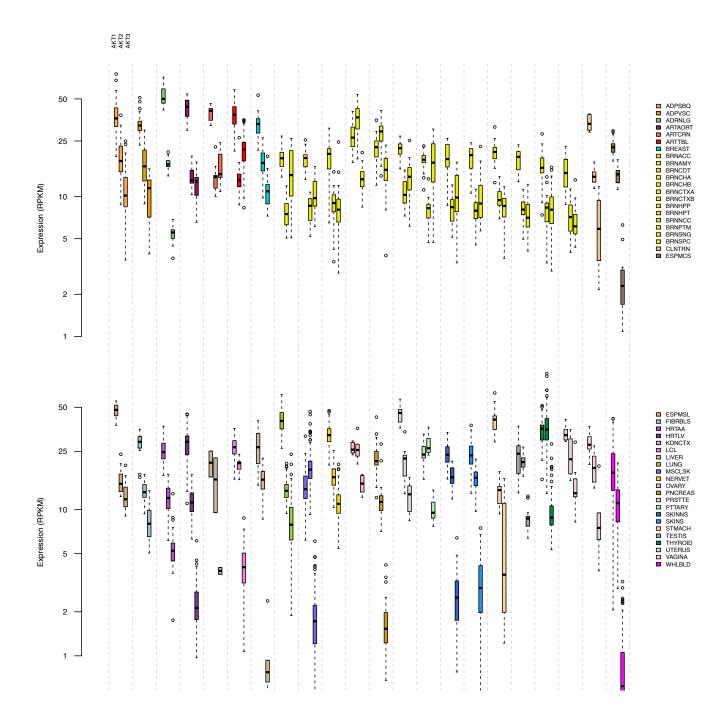
**Fig. S9. Proliferation assay. A.** Results of a generalized linear model (GLM) applied on rescaled raw data (absorbance value) to test for significant difference in proliferation between the three rounds of analysis, the three variants and an interaction between round and variants. The rescaling was performed by dividing all the values in each round by the average absorbance in controls. The plots represent the GLM estimates (and 95% CI) for the **B.** Round:Variant interaction and individual variables: **C.** Round and **D.** Variants. \* P < 0.05, \*\* P < 0.01, \*\*\* P < 0.001. DF: degrees of freedom, F: statistic testing the importance of the grouping term, Pr(>F): P value of the F statistic.





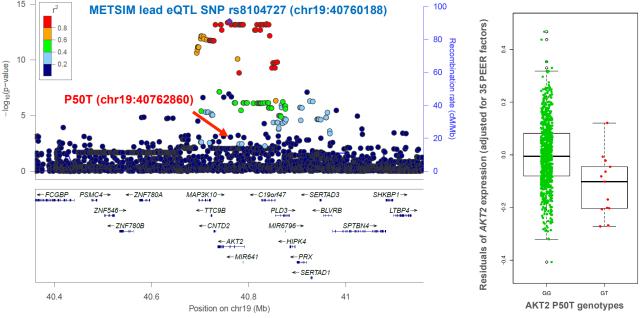


**Fig. S10:** *AKT2* **expression in human tissues. A.** Boxplot displaying the level and distribution of *AKT2* gene expression (in reads per kilobase per million mapped reads, RPKM) in 44 human tissues available in the GTEx RNA-seq data. **B.** Box plot of the expression (in RNA-seq reads) of the *AKT2* exon of affected by the p.Pro50Thr variant. Read counts are not normalized by the total number of reads per sample, resulting in larger variance in the expression within each tissue. **C.** Heat map of expression patterns of the 28 *AKT2* transcripts in the GTEx tissues, as annotated in Gencode version 12. Intensity of color in each cell represents the expression of the transcript in that tissue; white indicating no expression, and red indicating higher expression. **D.** Visualization of the transcript structure of *AKT2* (Gencode v12). The affected exon, highlighted with the red dashed line, is included in the majority of the *AKT2* transcripts and in all the three most highly expressed transcripts. The tissues are presented in the same order across panels A-C, and colored similarly in panels A and B. Tissue abbreviations are listed in **Table S4**.



**Fig. S11. Expression of the** *AKT* **gene family across human tissues**. Each cluster of three boxplots represents the expression of *AKT1* (**left**), *AKT2* (**middle**) and *AKT3* (**right**) in each tissue. *AKT2* is the isoform with the highest expression (P-value < 0.05) in BRNCHA (Brain – Cerebellum), BRNCHB (Brain - Cerebellar Hemisphere), MSCLSK (Muscle – Skeletal) and PTTARY (Pituitary). Tissue abbreviations are listed in **Table S4**.





	Increasing allele / decreasing alleles	Frequency of decreasing allele	Initial Effect of decreasing allele	P	Conditional Effect of decreasing allele	Conditional P
AKT2 Pro50Thr	G/T	0.0083	-0.980	8.9E-04	-0.754	8.4E-03
Lead eSNP rs8104727	T/C	0.647	-0.403	3.6E-14	-0.391	1.9E-13

Fig S12: Expression analysis with common eQTL SNP and AKT2 p.Pro50Thr. Top left plot: The regional association plot of variants in the AKT2 region testing association with AKT2 expression. The SNP showing the most significant signal in this plot, rs8104727, is a proxy for rs11880261 ( $r^2 = 1$ , D' = 1 in the 1000 Genomes phase 3 Finnish sample). Top right plot: observed AKT2 expression levels for the two AKT2 p.Pro50Thr genotypes observed in the METSIM cohort. Bottom table: eQTL statistics and reciprocal conditional analysis with the two SNPs: rs8104727and AKT2 p.Pro50Thr. The "Beta conditional" and "P conditional" columns highlight the associations with AKT2 expression after conditioning on the other SNP.

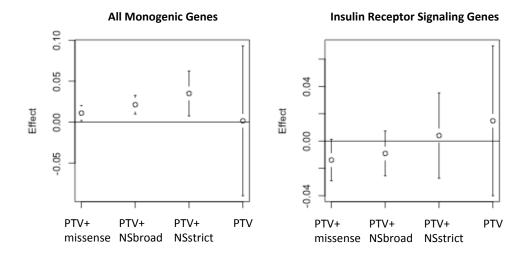
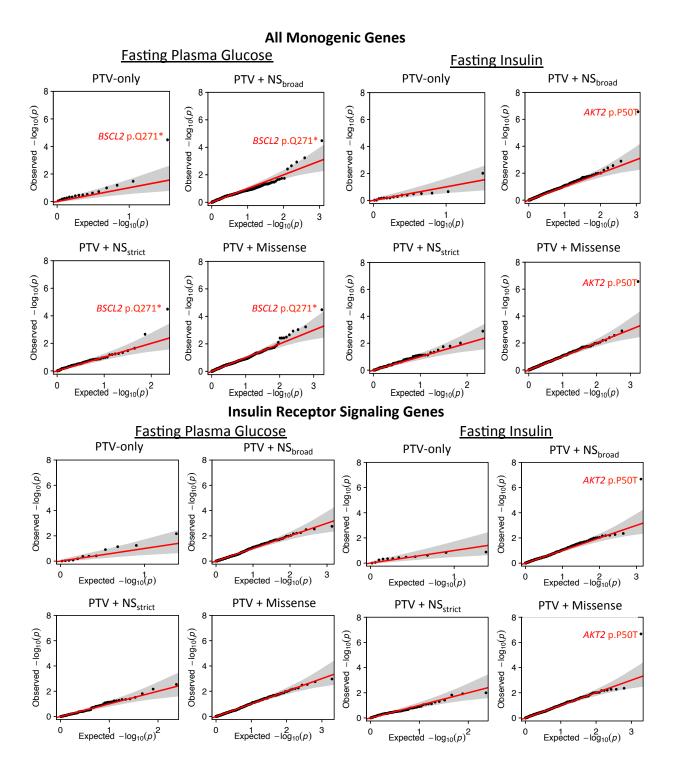
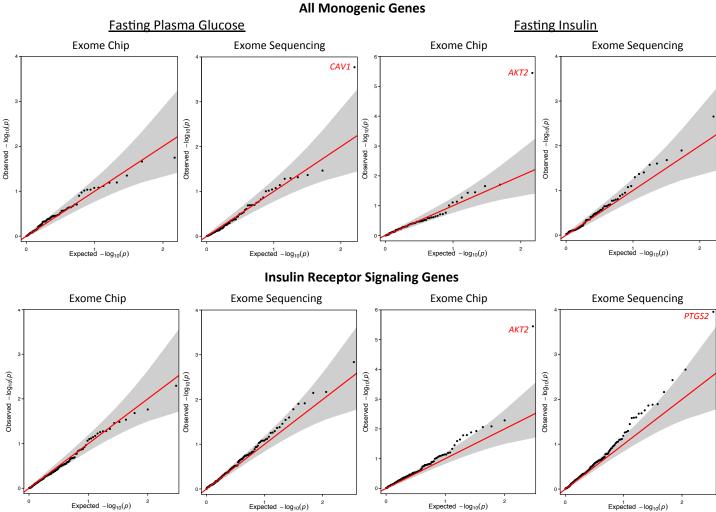


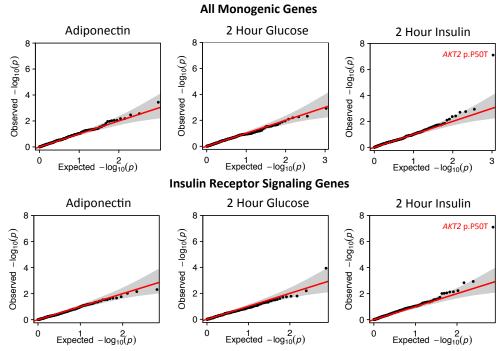
Fig. S13: The trend in the estimate of the effect size of the global gene burden test for the four variant aggregation categories. The effect estimates (and 95% confidence interval) were provided as output of the burden test result in the RareMETALS package in R.



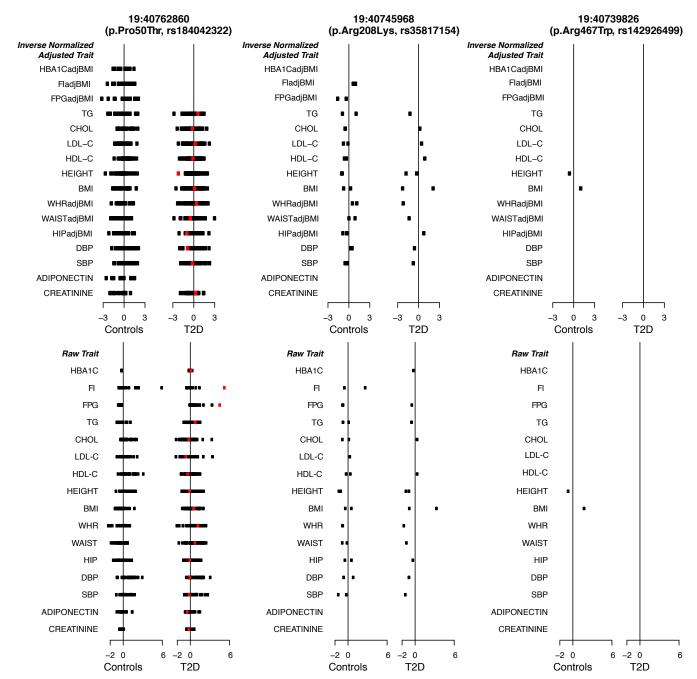
**Fig. S14A: Monogenic enrichment in single variant association tests.** Single variant association results from the FG and FI association analysis for variants in the four masks in the monogenic gene sets (top) and the insulin receptor signaling genes (bottom).



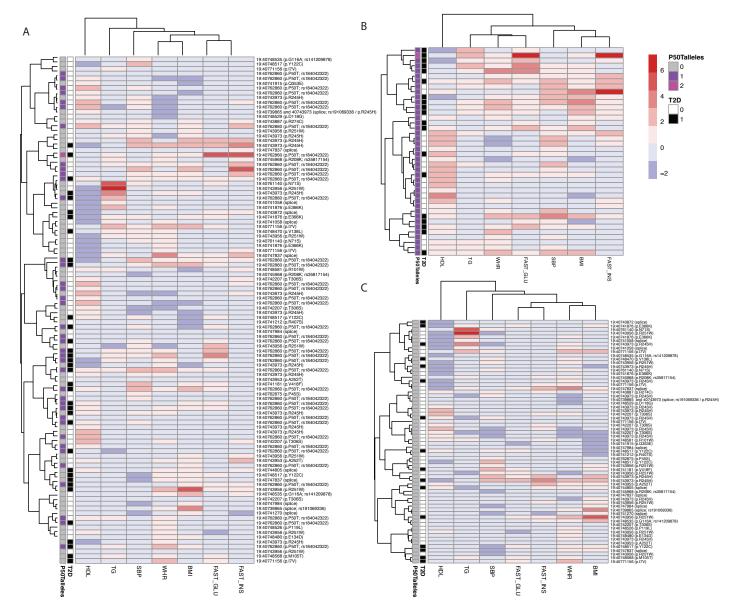
**Fig. S14B: Pathway enrichment in gene-based tests.** Gene burden association results from the fasting glucose and fasting insulin analysis for variants in the PTV+Missense mask in the monogenic gene sets (top) and the insulin receptor signaling genes (bottom).



**Fig. S14C: Pathway associations in traits related to insulin resistance.** Single variant association results for three traits related to insulin resistance: fasting adiponectin levels, 2 hour glucose level and 2 hour insulin level after an oral glucose tolerance test. The variants in these plots are in the PTV+Missense annotation category, with results from variants in the Monogenic gene sets (top) and the insulin receptor signaling genes (bottom).



**Fig. S15A: Trait values among** *AKT2* **variant carriers.** Profile of the inverse normalized, adjusted metabolic trait values (top plot) and scaled raw trait values (bottom plot) of carriers of three *AKT2* variants: *AKT2* p.Pro50Thr, *AKT2* p.Arg208Lys and *AKT2* p.Arg467Trp from the T2D-GENES whole exome sequencing data set. Points on the graph are observed trait values for heterozygous (black) and homozygous (red) carriers of the variants, split by type 2 diabetes status. Trait abbreviations: HBA1C- glycated hemoglobin, FAST\_INS-fasting insulin, FAST\_GLU- fasting plasma glucose, TG- triglycerides, CHOL- total cholesterol, LDL-C, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol, HDL-C- high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, BMI- body mass index, WHR- waist to hip ratio, WASITC- waist circumference, HIPC- hip circumference, DBP- diastolic blood pressure, SBP-systolic blood pressure. adjBMI- trait adjusted for BMI



**Fig. S15B:** Phenotype clustering of *AKT2* missense variant carriers in the T2D-GENES whole exome sequencing dataset on seven metabolic traits: all missense carriers (**A**), carriers of *AKT2* p.Pro50Ala variant (**B**), and carriers of the other variants (**C**), (see Supplementary Table 5). The row labels indicate the variant carried by an individual. P50Talleles: the number of Ala alleles carried; T2D: 0 for controls and 1 for type 2 diabetics.

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