

**Supplementary Table 1. Genotypic association of rs2004640 with SLE**

Genotype	Cases	Frequency	Controls	Frequency		OR (95%CI)	$\chi^2$	P <sup>a</sup>
N <sup>b</sup> = 284								
Argentina	GG	65	0.23	90	0.32			
	GT	129	0.45	133	0.48	GT v GG	1.34 (0.90-2.00)	2.1 0.1485
	TT	90	0.32	56	0.20	TT v GG	2.23 (1.41-3.52)	11.7 0.0006
					TT v GT+GG	1.85 (1.26-2.71)	9.9	0.0017
N = 444								
Spain	GG	82	0.18	112	0.21			
	GT	165	0.37	269	0.50	GT v GG	0.84 (0.59-1.18)	1.0 0.3137
	TT	197	0.44	160	0.30	TT v GG	1.68 (1.18-2.39)	8.4 0.0037
					TT v GT+GG	1.90 (1.46-2.47)	23.1	1.6 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>
N = 208								
Sweden	GG	25	0.12	47	0.18			
	GT	106	0.51	130	0.51	GT v GG	1.53 (0.89-2.65)	2.3 0.1257
	TT	77	0.37	77	0.30	TT v GG	1.88 (1.05-3.35)	4.6 0.0315
					TT v GT+GG	1.35 (0.92-1.99)	2.3	0.1283
N = 725								
U.S.A.	GG	111	0.15	339	0.24			
	GT	349	0.48	723	0.50	GT v GG	1.47 (1.15-1.89)	9.4 0.0022
	TT	265	0.37	372	0.26	TT v GG	2.18 (1.67-2.83)	33.4 7.4 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
					TT v GT+GG	1.64 (1.37-1.98)	26.1	3.2 x 10 <sup>-7</sup>
N = 1661								
All	GG	283	0.17	588	0.23		<b>Pooled OR <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>Pooled P</b>
	GT	749	0.45	1255	0.50	GT v GG	1.27 (1.07-1.50)	0.0031
	TT	629	0.38	665	0.27	TT v GG	2.01 (1.67-2.41)	3.7 x 10 <sup>-14</sup>
					TT v GT+GG	1.69 (1.48-1.94)		9.33 x 10 <sup>-15</sup>

<sup>a</sup> P value, uncorrected for multiple tests, 1 degree of freedom

<sup>b</sup> Number of individuals

<sup>c</sup> Mantel-Haenszel test of pooled odds ratios and 95% confidence intervals