

**Supplementary Table 2: Association of HapMap phase II variants to IRF-5 expression levels**

Marker <sup>a</sup>	Chr	Position <sup>b</sup>	MAF <sup>c</sup>	r <sup>2</sup> to rs2280714 <sup>d</sup>	P <sup>e</sup>
rs729302	7	128,122,922	0.32	0.09	0.2
rs2004640	7	128,132,263	0.49	0.68	6.0 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs752637	7	128,133,382	0.45	0.83	2.8 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
rs2280714	7	128,148,687	0.42	-	1.0 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs7789423	7	128,175,166	0.42	1.00	1.0 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs6948928	7	128,177,059	0.42	1.00	1.0 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs3857852	7	128,211,235	0.42	1.00	2.6 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs13221560	7	128,217,133	0.39	1.00	7.4 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs921403	7	128,230,682	0.43	0.97	4.0 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs10279821	7	128,237,505	0.41	0.97	4.9 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs10156169	7	128,238,529	0.42	0.93	3.4 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>

<sup>a</sup> HapMap Phase II markers with P < 1.0 x 10<sup>-9</sup> are shown, in addition to the results for IRF-5 region markers genotyped in the SLE families (rs729302, rs2004640, rs752637)

<sup>b</sup> Position in HG16 (Build 34).

<sup>c</sup> Minor Allele Frequency in HapMap CEPH (CEU) population.

<sup>d</sup> Correlation to rs2280714.

<sup>e</sup> P calculated using conditional linear regression, testing variants for association to IRF-5 expression in EBV-transformed B cells from CEPH individuals.