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## **ABSTRACT**

**Objective:** Latent autoimmune diabetes in adults (LADA) shares clinical features with both type 1 and type 2 diabetes; however there is ongoing debate regarding the precise definition of LADA. Understanding its genetic basis is one potential strategy to gain insight in to appropriate classification of this diabetes subtype.

**Research Design and Methods:** We performed the first genome-wide association study of LADA in cases of European ancestry versus population controls (n = 2,634 vs. 5,947), cases with type 1 diabetes (n = 2,454 vs. 968) and type 2 diabetes (n = 2,779 vs. 10,396).

**Results:** The leading genetic signals were principally shared with type 1 diabetes, although we observed positive genetic correlations genome-wide with both type 1 and type 2 diabetes. Additionally, we observed a novel independent signal at the known type 1 diabetes locus harboring *PFKFB3*, encoding a regulator of glycolysis and insulin signaling in type 2 diabetes and inflammation and autophagy in autoimmune disease, as well as an attenuation of key type 1-associated HLA haplotype frequencies in LADA, suggesting that these are factors that distinguish childhood-onset type 1 diabetes from adult autoimmune diabetes.

**Conclusion:** Our results support the need for further investigations of the genetic factors that distinguish forms of autoimmune diabetes, as well as more precise classification strategies.

## MAIN TEXT

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control subjects, the GADab+ patients had an increased frequency HLA-DQB1\*0201/0302 (13 vs. 4%; P = 0.002) and other genotypes containing the \*0302 allele (22 vs. 12%; P = 0.010). However, the frequency of these high-risk genotypes was significantly lower in GADab+ type 2 patients than in type 1 diabetes of young or adult onset (0201/0302 or 0302/X: 36 vs. 66 vs. 64%, P < 0.001). The GADab+ type 2 group did not differ from control subjects with respect to genotypes containing the protective DQB1-alleles \*0602 or \*0603, nor with respect to the type 1 high-risk genotype in the IDDM1 (Hph1 +/+). We conclude that GADab+ patients differ from both GADab- type 2 diabetic patients and type 1 diabetic patients with respect to beta-cell function, features of the metabolic syndrome, and type 1 diabetes susceptibility genes. Further, we propose that LADA be defined as GADab positivity (>5 relative units) in patients older than 35 years at onset of type 2 diabetes.

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cholesterol levels ( $P < 0.0001$ ); and lower prevalence of hypertension ( $P = 0.0028$ ) compared with patients with type 2 diabetes. C-peptide levels were similar at onset ( $P = 0.403$ ) but decreased less rapidly in LADA than in adult-onset type 1 diabetes ( $P = 0.0253$ ). Single-autoantibody positivity was more often seen in LADA than in type 1 diabetes ( $P = 0.0001$ ). The prevalence of predisposing HLA-DQB1\*0302, -DR4, -DR3, and -DR3/DR4 genotypes and the DR4-DQB1\*0302 haplotype were increased in both LADA and adult-onset type 1 diabetic subjects compared with the control population. There were no differences in the frequencies of these risk alleles and haplotypes between the two patient groups.

**CONCLUSIONS**—Subjects with LADA had clinical characteristics similar to those with adult-onset type 1 diabetes with rapid progression. C-peptide levels did not differ at onset but decreased less rapidly in LADA. Patients with LADA rather had single islet cell-specific autoantibody positivity. The prevalence of HLA-DQB1\*0302, -DR4, -DR3, and -DR3/DR4 risk alleles and the DR4-DQB1\*0302 high-risk haplotype did not differ in the two forms of autoimmune diabetes.

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type 1 diabetes loci and FCRL3, GAD2, TCF7L2, and FTO.  
RESULTS PTPN22 (1p13.2), STAT4 (2q32.2), CTLA4 (2q33.2), HLA (6p21), IL2RA (10p15.1), INS (11p15.5), ERBB3 (12q13.2), SH2B3 (12q24.12), and CLEC16A (16p13.13) were convincingly associated with autoimmune diabetes in adults ( $P \leq 0.002$ ), with consistent directions of effect as reported for pediatric type 1 diabetes. No evidence of an HLA-DRB1\*03/HLA-DRB1\*04 (DR3/4) genotype effect was obtained ( $P = 0.55$ ), but it remained highly predisposing (odds ratio 26.22). DR3/4 was associated with a lower age at diagnosis of disease, as was DR4 ( $P = 4.67 \times 10^{-6}$ ) but not DR3. DR3 was associated with GADA positivity ( $P = 6.03 \times 10^{-6}$ ) but absence of IA-2A ( $P = 3.22 \times 10^{-7}$ ). DR4 was associated with IA-2A positivity ( $P = 5.45 \times 10^{-6}$ ).  
CONCLUSIONS

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However, no systematic genome-wide appraisal of adult autoimmune diabetes has been performed. Therefore, in this study, we performed the first GWAS of LADA against population controls and further contrasted LADA

against type 1 diabetes and type 2 diabetes to better understand its genomic signature in comparison to these two better characterized forms of diabetes.

## **METHODS**

### *Study subjects*

Cases diagnosed with LADA were included from cohorts of European ancestry (**Supplementary Table 1**), including ‘ActionLada-Plus,’ All New Diabetics In Scania (ANDIS), the Botnia Study, Copenhagen LADA (including samples from Danish Centre for strategic Research in Type 2 Diabetes (DD2), Vejle Biobank, Odense University Hospital (OUH), Copenhagen Insulin and Metformin Therapy trial (CIMT), Inter99, and Steno Diabetes Center (SDC)), the Diabetes Registry Vasa (DIREVA), GoDARTS, Nord-Trøndelag Health Study (HUNT), and Scania Diabetes Registry (SDR). Controls were population-based (including samples from the Bone Mineral Density in Childhood Study (BMDCS), Copenhagen controls (with samples from the 1936 Birth Cohort and ADDITION-PRO), GoDARTS, HUNT, and the Malmö Diet and Cancer study, DIREVA, and SDR).

Inclusion and exclusion criteria for LADA, type 1 diabetes, type 2 diabetes, and population controls varied by cohort (see **Supplementary Table 1 and Supplementary Note** for details). In general, LADA was defined by an age at diagnosis older than 20, 30 or 35 years, with some cohorts restricting the upper age limit to 70 years; the presence of diabetes-associated autoimmune autoantibodies, in particular GADA-positivity; and the lack of insulin requirement for 6 months or 1 year after diagnosis. In some cases, C-peptide level was also used as a filter.

### *Genotyping and imputation*

Each respective cohort performed genome-wide genotyping on the Illumina CoreExome chip, the Illumina OmniExpressExome BeadChip, or the Affymetrix 6 array. Cases and controls from each study center were matched on the same genotyping chip to reduce batch effects.

Standard post-genotyping quality control was performed, including sample exclusions for ambiguous gender, call rate < 95%, and any duplicate or related individuals ( $\pi_{\hat{}} \geq 0.2$ ), and SNP exclusions for monomorphic SNPs, SNPs with MAF < 0.05, and SNPs with missingness rate > 0.05. The Haplotype Reference Consortium (HRC) imputation service (Michigan imputation server, <https://imputationserver.sph.umich.edu/index.html>) was utilized to perform imputation for autosomal SNPs.

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After GWAS, filtering was performed centrally to include only SNPs with a MAF > 0.05, INFO quality score > 0.4, and a Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium  $P > 1 \times 10^{-7}$ . Meta-analysis was then performed for LADA vs. population controls, LADA vs. type 1 diabetes, and LADA vs. type 2 diabetes with GWAMA{ ADDIN ZOTERO\_ITEM CSL\_CITATION

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*Enrichment of directional consistency among T1D/T2D loci in LADA*

To estimate whether the concordance in direction of effects for T1D and T2D loci in LADA is significantly different from chance, a binomial test was used assuming a null hypothesis of 50% agreement.

### *Conditional analysis*

Approximate conditional analysis for known type 1 diabetes-associated loci was carried out for the LADA vs controls summary statistics results for the 10p15.1 locus using Genome-wide Complex Trait Analysis (GCTA).{ ADDIN ZOTERO\_ITEM CSL\_CITATION

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### *Stratification analysis by GAD autoantibody titer*

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additional variants contributing to the trait. In the current study, we describe the largest meta-analysis of T1D genome-wide genotyped datasets to date, which combines six large studies. As a consequence, we have uncovered three new signals residing at the chromosomal locations 13q22, 2p23, and 6q27, which went on to be replicated in independent sample sets. These latest associated regions add to the growing repertoire of gene networks predisposing to

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## RESULTS

### *Genome-wide association of LADA versus population controls*

We first conducted GWAS in patients with LADA ( $n = 2,634$ ) versus population-based controls ( $n = 5,947$ ) of European ancestry in a discovery meta-analysis setting (**Supplementary Table 1**; power calculations can be found in **Supplementary Table 3**). Four signals achieved genome-wide significance ( $P < 5 \times 10^{-8}$ ), all at established type 1 diabetes risk loci (*HLA*, *PTPN22*, *INS*, and *SH2B3*; **Table 1**, **Supplementary Figures 1 and 2**). Pathway analysis with DEPICT{ ADDIN ZOTERO\_ITEM CSL\_CITATION

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concentrations of serum autoantibodies against GAD65 were measured by direct radioligand assay. The potential association of the frequency of NK cells with clinical measures was analyzed. In comparison with that in the HC, significantly higher frequency of peripheral blood NK and NKp46+ NK cells, but lower frequency of KIR3DL1+ NK cells were detected in patients with newly diagnosed LADA ( $p < 0.0001$ ,  $p < 0.0001$ ,  $p = 0.0039$ , respectively). The percentages of inducible IFN- $\gamma$ + NK cells were significantly higher in the LADA patients than that in the HC ( $p < 0.0001$ ). Moreover, the percentages of NKp46+ NK cells were negatively correlated with the levels of fasting plasma C-peptide in patients ( $R = -0.4877$ ,  $p = 0.0099$ ). There was no significant difference in the frequency of spontaneous and inducible CD107a+ between patients and controls. Our data indicate a higher frequency of activated NKp46+ NK cells may be associated with the development of LADA in

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### *Replication supports a novel locus at PFKFB3*

Using cases with LADA and population samples from an additional two study centers, we attempted validation of 13 signals with suggestive association ( $P < 5 \times 10^{-5}$ ) (**Supplementary Table 6**). We observed a novel signal at 10p15.1 between the two established type 1 diabetes loci at *IL2RA* and *PRKCQ*, which achieved genome-wide significance (rs1983890-C, OR (95% CI) = 1.16 (1.14-1.32),  $P = 3.02 \times 10^{-8}$ ) (**Fig. 1A-B**). Given that the LADA signal is situated in

close proximity to known type 1 diabetes risk loci and was in moderate to low LD with established type 1 diabetes-associated alleles (**Supplementary Table 7**), we conditioned on the type 1 diabetes SNPs and observed that rs1983890 remained strongly associated with LADA (OR (95% CI) = 1.15 (1.13-1.19),  $P = 4.35 \times 10^{-8}$ ) (**Fig. 1C**). This signal reached suggestive association in a study of type 1 diabetes ( $P = 1.3 \times 10^{-7}$ ) { ADDIN ZOTERO\_ITEM

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B) gene on 2p23; however, the region of linkage disequilibrium is approximately 800 kb and harbors additional multiple genes, including NCOA1, C2orf79, CENPO, ADCY3, DNAJC27, POMC, and DNMT3A. The third most significantly associated SNP (rs924043,  $P = 8.06 \times 10^{-9}$ ) lies in an intergenic region on 6q27, where the region of association is approximately 900 kb and harbors multiple genes including WDR27, C6orf120, PHF10, TCTE3, C6orf208, LOC154449, DLL1, FAM120B, PSMB1, TBP, and PCD2. These latest associated regions add to the growing repertoire of gene networks predisposing to

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### *Candidate loci for type 1 diabetes and type 2 diabetes*

Some of the loci that were suggestively associated with LADA in this study overlap previously documented type 1 diabetes associations, including rs11755527 (*BACH2*) and rs941576 (*DLK1*),{ ADDIN ZOTERO\_ITEM CSL\_CITATION {"citationID":"a26b9s0m4kf","properties":{"formattedCitation":"(20\\uc0\\u8211{ }22)","plainCitation":"(20–22)","noteIndex":0},"citationItems":[{"id":"GKYl1X7D/ToiCvNRA","uris":["http://zotero.org/users/local/0MQVqmqmF/items/B8WC57K3"],"uri":["http://zotero.org/users/local/0MQVqmqmF/items/B8WC57K3"],"itemData":{"id":"Jn9ZhVVO/U6DmnaI1","type":"article-journal","title":"A Genome-Wide Meta-Analysis of Six Type 1 Diabetes Cohorts Identifies Multiple Associated Loci","container-title":"PLOS Genetics","page":"e1002293","volume":"7","issue":"9","source":"PLOS Journals","abstract":"Author Summary Despite the fact that there is clearly a large genetic component to type 1 diabetes (T1D), uncovering the genes contributing to this disease has proven challenging. However, in the past three years there has been relatively major progress in this regard, with advances in genetic screening technologies allowing investigators to scan the genome for variants conferring risk for disease without prior hypotheses. Such genome-wide association studies have revealed multiple regions of the genome to be robustly and consistently



associated with T1D. More recent findings have been a consequence of combining of multiple datasets from independent investigators in meta-analyses, which have more power to pick up additional variants contributing to the trait. In the current study, we describe the largest meta-analysis of T1D genome-wide genotyped datasets to date, which combines six large studies. As a consequence, we have uncovered three new signals residing at the chromosomal locations 13q22, 2p23, and 6q27, which went on to be replicated in independent sample sets. These latest associated regions add to the growing repertoire of gene networks predisposing to

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comparative analysis with 15 immune diseases showed that T1D is more similar genetically to  
other autoantibody-positive diseases, significantly most similar to juvenile idiopathic arthritis  
and significantly least similar to ulcerative colitis, and provided support for three additional new  
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except for the type 2 diabetes locus *CILP2* (rs10401969-T, OR = 0.820 (0.726-0.927),  $P = 0.0016$ ; **Supplementary Table 10**). On the whole, both type 1 diabetes and type 2 diabetes loci had lower  $P$ -values in LADA than expected by chance (**Supplementary Figure 3**).

Approximately 90.6% of T1D loci (**Supplementary Table 9**) had directional consistency in LADA ( $P$ -value =  $4.51 \times 10^{-12}$ ) and 72.3% of T2D loci (**Supplementary Table 10**) had directional consistency in LADA ( $P$ -value =  $2.10 \times 10^{-4}$ ). Combining T1D and T2D loci, 81.4% had directional consistency in LADA ( $P$ -value =  $1.40 \times 10^{-13}$ ). Therefore, we observed a significant enrichment of established T1D and T2D loci having the same directional effect in LADA.

#### *GWAS of LADA versus type 2 diabetes and type 1 diabetes*

Next, we compared LADA with type 2 diabetes at the genome-wide level. Similar to the results of LADA vs. population controls, LADA (n = 2,454) vs. type 2 diabetes (n = 10,396) yielded genome-wide significance for the same four type 1 diabetes risk loci (**Table 1**). We then performed a GWAS of LADA (n = 2,454) vs. type 1 diabetes (n = 968) to assess whether any differences could be detected. Only the HLA region was significantly different between type 1 diabetes and LADA, representing a relative depletion of the lead signal in LADA when compared to type 1 diabetes (rs9273368-A, OR (95% CI) = 0.335 (0.256-0.385),  $P = 8.46 \times 10^{-40}$ ; **Table 1**). Leveraging the entire genome-wide summary statistics, genetic correlation analyses showed that LADA was positively correlated with both type 1 diabetes (with the inclusion of the HLA;  $r_g$  (SE) = 0.385 (0.136),  $P = 0.0047$ ) and type 2 diabetes (without the HLA;  $r_g$  (SE) = 0.281 (0.106),  $P = 0.008$ ).

### *Stratified GWAS of LADA by GAD autoantibody tertile*

Stratifying LADA cases into tertiles resulted in the detection of the same four loci, although the magnitude of the associations differed between the top tertile vs. population controls, the top 2 tertiles vs. population controls, and the bottom tertile vs. population controls (**Supplementary Table 11**). As expected, the ORs for the leading loci were strongest in the LADA cases with the highest GAD autoantibody titers. For example, rs9273368 (*HLA-DQB1*) showed the strongest association with LADA in the analysis including the top tertile of GAD autoantibody titer (OR (95% CI) = 3.30 (2.81-3.88),  $P = 1.89 \times 10^{-47}$ ) and the lowest association in the bottom GAD autoantibody tertile (OR (95% CI) = 2.42 (2.06-2.85),  $P = 2.13 \times 10^{-26}$ ). Furthermore, only the *HLA-DQB1* locus was significantly associated in the LADA cases with the lowest GAD titers, while the *PTPN22*, *INS*, and *SH2B3* loci were only evident among cases with higher GAD titers. Furthermore, rs7903146 at *TCF7L2* had a slightly higher OR in the group with the lowest GAD titer than that with the lowest GAD titer (1.09 vs. 1.05, respectively).

### *HLA haplotype analysis*

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haplotypes were tested for association in LADA compared to type 1 diabetes. Eleven type 1

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## DISCUSSION

Taken collectively, GWAS and HLA haplotype analyses based on established associations, along with gene set enrichment analyses, support the hypothesis that the strongest genetic risk loci for LADA are shared with type 1 diabetes, but that established type 2 diabetes alleles also play a weaker role, as evidenced by the enrichment of established type 2 diabetes loci in LADA and the positive genetic correlation between LADA and type 2 diabetes. The strong type 1 diabetes-like signature seen here in adult autoimmune diabetes could be explained by the differing genetic architectures between the two main types of diabetes{ ADDIN

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variants with smaller effect sizes. Given these architectural differences, any trait with a type 1 diabetes-like genetic component will detect type 1 signals first, and would only subsequently detect the type 2 signals with increased statistical power (**Supplementary Table 3**).

Furthermore, this has important implications for genetic studies of type 2 diabetes, in which misdiagnosed autoimmune diabetes cases are not routinely screened out. With increasing sample sizes and the ability to detect additional loci, type 2 diabetes GWAS that are ‘contaminated’ with adult autoimmune cases will inevitably begin to detect type 1 diabetes-associated genetic loci, potentially mis-assigning these loci to type 2 diabetes etiology.

In comparing LADA to the general population, we identified a novel independent genome-wide significant signal at the *PFKFB3* locus that persisted after conditioning on the two nearby type 1 diabetes-associated signals on chromosome 10p15. Cumulative evidence for the 10p15 locus suggests it is a complex region associated with autoimmune diabetes, given that it already harbors two established risk alleles for type 1 diabetes{

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PFKFB3<sup>+/-</sup> mice exhibited increased severity of HFD-induced adipose tissue dysfunction, as evidenced by increased adipose tissue lipolysis, inappropriate adipokine expression, and decreased insulin signaling, as well as increased levels of proinflammatory cytokines in both isolated adipose tissue macrophages and adipocytes. In an in vitro system, knockdown of PFKFB3/iPFK2 in 3T3-L1 adipocytes caused a decrease in the rate of glucose incorporation into lipid but an increase in the production of reactive oxygen species. Furthermore, knockdown of PFKFB3/iPFK2 in 3T3-L1 adipocytes inappropriately altered the expression of adipokines, decreased insulin signaling, increased the phosphorylation states of JNK and NFκB p65, and enhanced the production of proinflammatory cytokines. Together, these data suggest that PFKFB3/iPFK2, although contributing to adiposity, protects against diet-induced insulin resistance and adipose tissue inflammatory

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changes observed in adipose tissue of Tg mice. Upon treatment with conditioned medium from iPFK2-overexpressing adipocytes, mouse primary hepatocytes displayed metabolic and inflammatory responses that were similar to those observed in livers of Tg mice. Together, these data demonstrate a unique role for PFKFB3/iPFK2 in adipocytes with regard to diet-induced inflammatory responses in both adipose and liver

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Although the lead genome-wide significant loci are shared with those for type 1 diabetes risk, they clearly have a diminished impact in LADA. To further investigate the differences between LADA and type 1 diabetes at the HLA region, we performed a comparative haplotype analysis that showed a decreased frequency of type 1 diabetes-associated risk haplotypes in LADA. This could be partly explained by the established age gradient in HLA frequencies seen in type 1 diabetes patients;{ ADDIN ZOTERO\_ITEM CSL\_CITATION

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(T1D>35y; n = 257) or <20 years of age (T1D<20y; n = 158), and type 2 diabetes.\nRESULTS

Although patients with LADA had an increased frequency of HLA-DQB1 and PTPN22 risk genotypes and alleles compared with type 2 diabetic subjects, the frequency was significantly lower compared with T1D>35y patients. Genotype frequencies, measures of insulin secretion, and metabolic traits within LADA differed according to GAD antibody (GADA) quartiles, but even the highest quartile differed from type 1 diabetes. Having two or more risk genotypes was associated with lower C-peptide concentrations in LADA.\nCONCLUSIONS LADA patients differed genetically and phenotypically from both T1D>35y and type 2 diabetic patients in a manner dependent on GADA levels.", "DOI": "10.2337/dc09-2188", "ISSN": "0149-5992, 1935-

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The discrepancies in terms of human leukocyte antigen (HLA)-DRB1-DQA1-DQB1 conferred

risks between latent autoimmune diabetes in adults (LADA) and type 1 diabetes (T1D) patients remained almost completely unknown. The goal of the current study is to determine and compare HLA-conferred risks between LADA and T1D. Design: A case-control study was conducted in a representative Chinese data set containing 520 T1D patients, 562 LADA patients, and 1065 controls. The frequencies and odds ratios for HLA susceptible haplotypes and genotypes and for arginine at residue 52 in the DQ- $\alpha$  chain or aspartic acid at residue 57 in the DQ- $\beta$  chain were analyzed. Results: DRB1\*0405-DQA1\*03-DQB1\*0401 and DRB1\*0901-DQA1\*03-DQB1\*0303 are the major LADA susceptible haplotypes, which also confer comparable risks for T1D (odds ratio 2.02 vs 2.20 and 1.61 vs 2.30, respectively). The strongly associated T1D haplotype DRB1\*0301-DQA1\*05-DQB1\*0201 is also associated with LADA but confers only half of the T1D risk (odds ratio 2.65 vs 4.84). Interestingly, the most susceptible T1D haplotypes, DRB1\*0901-DQA1\*05-DQB1\*0201, DRB1\*0301-DQA1\*03-DQB1\*0201, and DRB1\*0301-DQA1\*03-DQB1\*0303, are not associated with LADA. Genotypes for DR3/DR3, DR3/DR9, and DR9/DR9 are highly associated with T1D susceptibility, whereas only DR9/DR9 confers risk for LADA. DR3/DR3 is the high-risk genotype in Chinese T1D patients, which manifests similar risk as the DR3/DR4 genotype in Caucasians but with a lower frequency. DR9/DR9 is the high risk LADA genotype in Chinese. Alleles with DQ- $\alpha$  arginine at residue 52-positive, DQ- $\beta$  aspartic acid at residue 57-negative, and their combination formed in cis or trans confer susceptibility to T1D but not to LADA. Conclusion: Our results suggest that LADA risk conferred by HLA-DRB1-DQA1-DQB1 loci in Chinese differs significantly from that of T1D risk. This information would be useful for classifying Asian LADA patients, which should provides novel insight into the understanding of its pathoetiology as well.,"DOI":"10.1210/jc.2015-3771","ISSN":"0021-972X","shortTitle":"HLA Genetic Discrepancy Between Latent

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diabetes. We tested the association of T1D and T2D GWAS-implicated loci in 978 LADA cases and 1057 non-diabetic controls of European ancestry using a linear mixed model. We then compared the associations of T1D and T2D loci between LADA and T1D and T2D cases, respectively. We quantified the difference in genetic risk between each given disease at each locus, and also calculated genetic risk scores to quantify how genetic liability to T1D and T2D distinguished LADA cases from controls. Overall, our results showed that LADA is genetically more similar to T1D, with the exception of an association at the T2D HNF1A locus. Several T1D loci were associated with LADA, including the major histocompatibility complex region, as well as at PTPN22, SH2B3, and INS. Contrary to previous studies, the key T2D risk allele at TCF7L2 (rs7903146-T) had a significantly lower frequency in LADA cases, suggesting that this locus does not play a role in LADA etiology. When constrained on antibody status, the similarity between LADA and T1D became more apparent; however, the HNF1A and TCF7L2 observations persisted. LADA is genetically closer to T1D than T2D, although the genetic load of T1D risk alleles is less than childhood-onset T1D, particularly at the major histocompatibility complex region, potentially accounting for the later disease onset. Our results show that the genetic spectrum of T1D extends into adult-onset diabetes, where it can clinically masquerade as T2D. Furthermore, T2D genetic risk plays a small role in LADA, with a degree of evidence for the HNF1A locus, highlighting the potential for genetic risk scores to contribute towards defining diabetes subtypes.

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CI) = 1.107 (1.024-1.20),  $P = 0.011$ ), which may be due to the limited power of our study to  
detect type 2 diabetes signals (**Supplementary Table 2**). To understand the evidence supporting  
the previous association, we examined the allele frequencies of the lead variant in each  
contributing cohort. This revealed that the difference in risk allele frequency between cases and  
controls was cohort-specific, with only one case-control set (ActionLADA cases vs BMDCS  
controls) not supporting this association, principally due to the higher frequency of the risk allele

in the control set (**Supplementary Table 13**). One possibility is that inclusion or exclusion of type 2 diabetes patients from control cohorts would affect the frequency of the risk allele; however, sensitivity analysis with control sets that either excluded or included diabetic patients in Swedish and Danish samples showed the persistence of an association (**Supplementary Table 13**), although not at the genome-wide significance level. Interestingly, a recent study found that the type 2 diabetes risk allele at the key *TCF7L2* locus was associated with type 1 diabetes cases who were older than 12 years at onset and were positive for only a single autoimmune antibody.

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**RESULTS** The rs4506565 variant was a significant independent factor of expressing a single autoantibody, instead of multiple autoantibodies, at diagnosis (odds ratio [OR] 1.66 [95% CI 1.07, 2.57],  $P = 0.024$ ). Interaction analysis demonstrated that this association was only significant in participants  $\geq 12$  years old ( $n = 504$ ; OR 2.12 [1.29, 3.47],  $P = 0.003$ ) but not younger ones ( $n = 306$ ,  $P = 0.73$ ). The rs4506565 variant was independently associated with higher C-peptide area under the curve (AUC) ( $P = 0.008$ ) and lower mean glucose AUC ( $P = 0.0127$ ). The results were similar for the rs7901695 SNP.

**CONCLUSIONS** In this cohort of individuals with new-onset type 1 diabetes, type 2 diabetes–linked TCF7L2 variants were associated with single autoantibody (among those  $\geq 12$  years old), higher C-peptide AUC, and lower glucose AUC levels during an OGTT. Thus, carriers of the TCF7L2 variant had a milder immunological and metabolic phenotype at type 1 diabetes diagnosis, which could be partly driven by type 2 diabetes–like pathogenic mechanisms.

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The precise diagnostic criteria used to distinguish LADA from adult-onset type 1 and type 2 diabetes remain under debate. These differences in opinion have hindered the collection of well-phenotyped, clearly defined LADA cohorts for genetic studies, and are reflected in the cohorts we included in this study, e.g. in terms of heterogeneous age inclusion thresholds and differences in autoantibody testing. In this study, we strove to be inclusive to maximize our sample size and statistical power, but we acknowledge that stringent, deeply phenotyped cohorts are needed to truly address where adult autoimmune diabetes is placed on the diabetes spectrum. Another debate surrounds the idea that LADA cohorts may simply be collections of poorly phenotyped cases with adult-onset type 1 and type 2 diabetes, and refute the idea that LADA is a unique disease entity. However, GAD assays have a specificity of 95–98%, so by implication, some cases with type 2 diabetes with low-level GAD can be incorrectly classified as LADA cases; these would, however, represent only a very small fraction of cases since the predictive specificity of GAD would have been increased by our cohort enrichment as with any biomarker assay. Conversely, the small percentage of cases with LADA who do not have GAD positivity but have other islet autoantibodies and are misclassified as having type 2 diabetes, could affect the estimate of genetic correlation between LADA and type 2 diabetes to a small degree. Future studies should focus on defining the heterogeneity and misdiagnosis rates among patients with LADA.

Despite these limitations, using the definition of LADA presented here, we identified factors which potentially distinguish this form of adult autoimmune diabetes from childhood-onset type 1 diabetes as well as type 2 diabetes: (1) a novel signal at the *PFKFB3* locus, and (2) attenuation of type 1-associated HLA risk haplotypes. Overall, we find the presence of both a type 1 diabetes-like autoimmune genetic component and a type 2 diabetes-like

metabolic/anthropometric genetic component consistent with the phenotypic features of both main diabetes types, suggesting that LADA as defined here is a hybrid of these two major diseases. Our findings promote the hypothesis that the polygenic component that contributes susceptibility to type 2 diabetes can act as a modifier to type 1 diabetes risk, possibly as a ‘second hit’ in individuals who have moderate underlying autoimmune susceptibility that is insufficient to trigger childhood type 1 diabetes but greater than that of the general population and sufficient to lead to clinical diabetes in adulthood. Taken together, future studies should examine the role of body mass index, which is lower in type 1 diabetes and higher among patients with type 2 diabetes, in adult autoimmune diabetes, as well as further defining the role of factors that potentially distinguish adult autoimmune diabetes from type 1 and type 2 diabetes.

## **CONCLUSION**

In this first GWAS of LADA, we show that the leading genome-wide significant signals point towards LADA as being a late-onset form of type 1 diabetes, albeit with a genetically attenuated potency of key type 1 diabetes-associated HLA haplotypes, but also with a type 2 diabetes-like genetic component. Further in-depth studies are necessary to address how LADA and insulin dependence develops and to study the impact of heterogeneity among cases with LADA, as well as a need for functional studies to investigate how the glycolytic regulator PFKFB3 is situated at the intersection of autoimmune and metabolic diabetes. Furthermore, our LADA dataset should act as a resource to help mitigate the unaccounted presence of autoimmune diabetes in patients masquerading as type 2 diabetes, with implications both for GWAS studies and for clinical management.



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The authors declare that there are no conflicts of interest.

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**TABLES**

SNP	Chr	Position (b37)	Ref/other allele	Effect allele freq (cases/ctrls)	OR	95% CI	P	Gene
LADA (n =2,634 ) vs. population controls (n = 5,947)								
rs9273368	6	32626475	A/G	0.50/0.28	3.115	2.855-3.398	7.87x10 <sup>-143</sup>	<i>HLA-DQB1</i>
rs2476601	1	114377568	A/G	0.159/0.102	1.717	1.539-1.915	7.21x10 <sup>-22</sup>	<i>PTPN2</i>
rs689	11	2182224	T/A	0.802/0.726	1.483	1.363-1.613	1.07x10 <sup>-19</sup>	<i>INS</i>
rs7310615	12	111865049	C/G	0.553/0.492	1.284	1.193-1.383	4.92x10 <sup>-11</sup>	<i>SH2B3</i>
LADA (n = 2,779) vs. type 2 diabetes cases (n = 10,396)								
rs9273368	6	32626475	A/G	0.43/0.301	2.439	2.222-2.676	3.17x10 <sup>-78</sup>	<i>HLA-DQB1</i>
rs689	11	2182224	T/A	0.783/0.715	1.473	1.352-1.605	9.86x10 <sup>-19</sup>	<i>INS</i>
rs2476601	1	114377568	A/G	0.173/0.140	1.529	1.38-1.693	4.52x10 <sup>-16</sup>	<i>PTPN2</i>
rs3184504	12	111884608	C/T	0.544/0.52	1.24	1.151-1.336	1.77x10 <sup>-08</sup>	<i>SH2B3</i>
LADA (n = 2,454) vs. type 1 diabetes cases (n = 968)								
rs9273368	6	32626475	A/G	0.415/0.65	0.335	0.256-0.385	8.46x10 <sup>-40</sup>	<i>HLA-DQB1</i>

**Table 1. Genome-wide significant signals associated with LADA.** We performed three genome-wide association approaches, first for LADA versus population controls (top panel), then for LADA versus type 1 diabetes (type 1 diabetes, middle panel) and LADA versus type 2 diabetes (type 2 diabetes, lower panel). Odds ratios (ORs) are given for the LADA risk allele except for rs92773368 in LADA vs. type 1 diabetes, to illustrate that the type 1 diabetes risk allele was depleted in LADA.

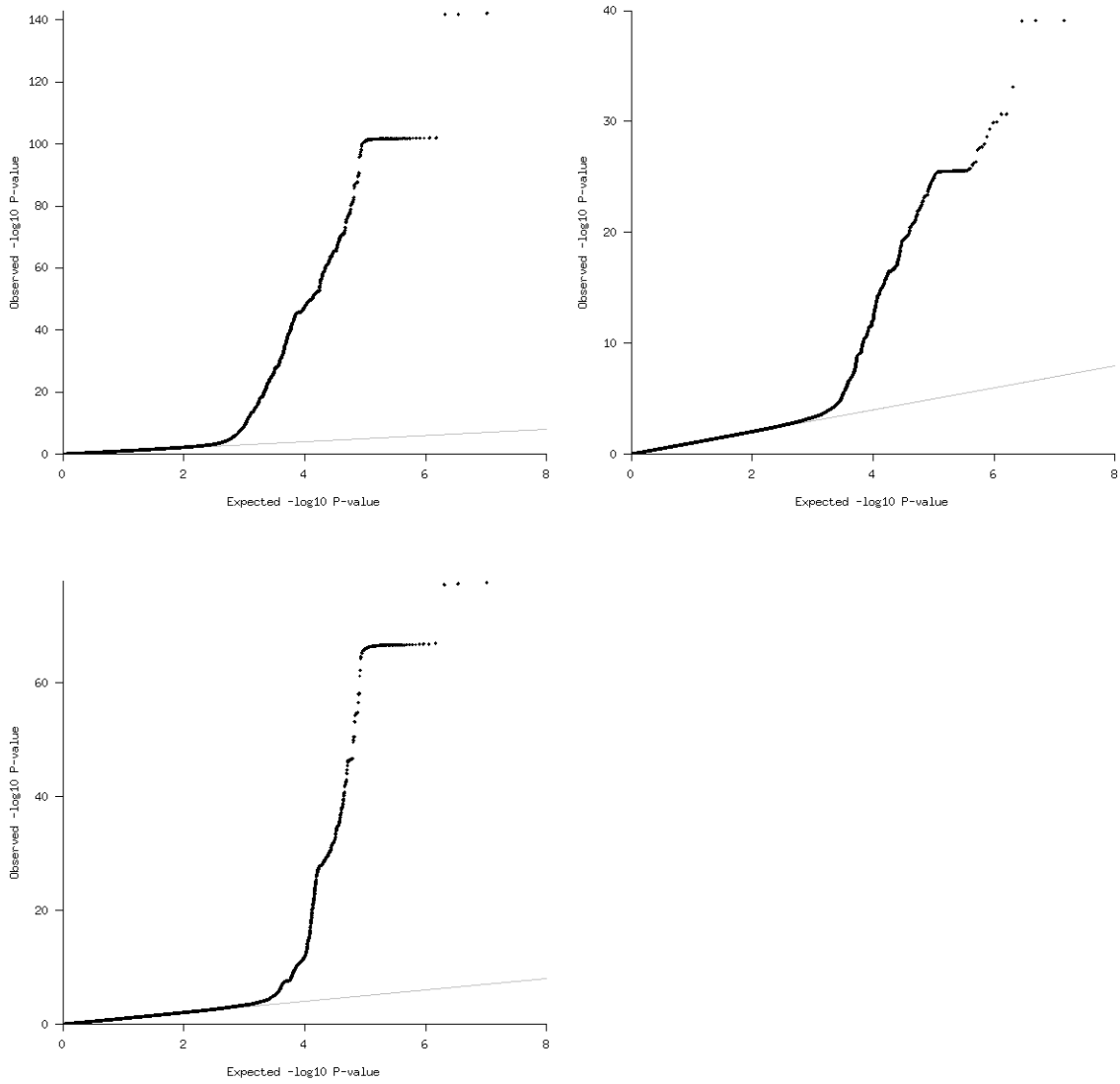
## **FIGURE LEGENDS**

Figure 1. LocusZoom plots for the PFKFB3 locus. (A) In LADA vs. population controls with the addition of replication samples, rs1983890 reached borderline genome-wide significance. (B) This signal lies in between two type 1 diabetes-associated loci at 10p15.1(21). (C) When we conditioned on the two known type 1 diabetes loci, the signal in LADA remained. LocusZoom plots were constructed to show the association data of SNPs 400kb upstream and downstream of the lead LADA-associated signal at rs1983890.

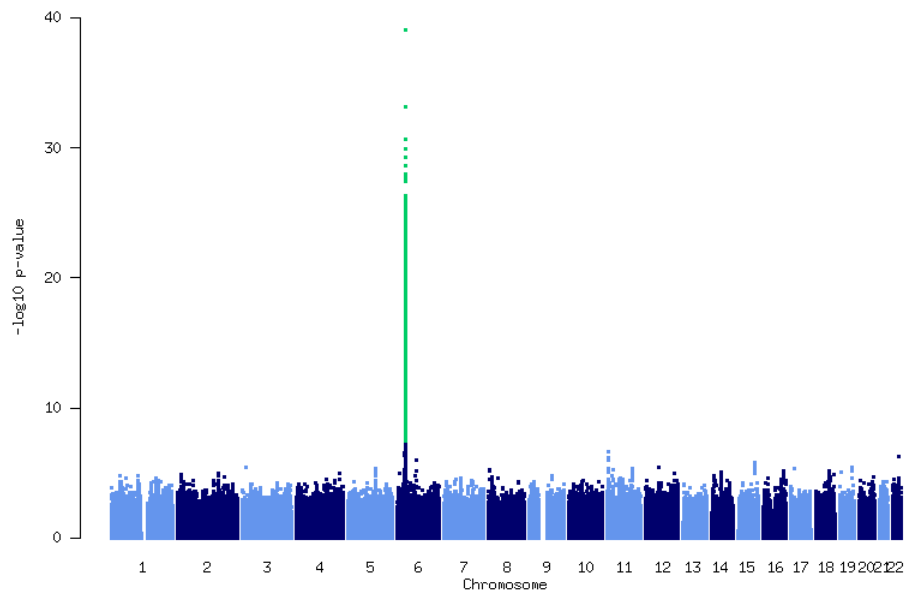
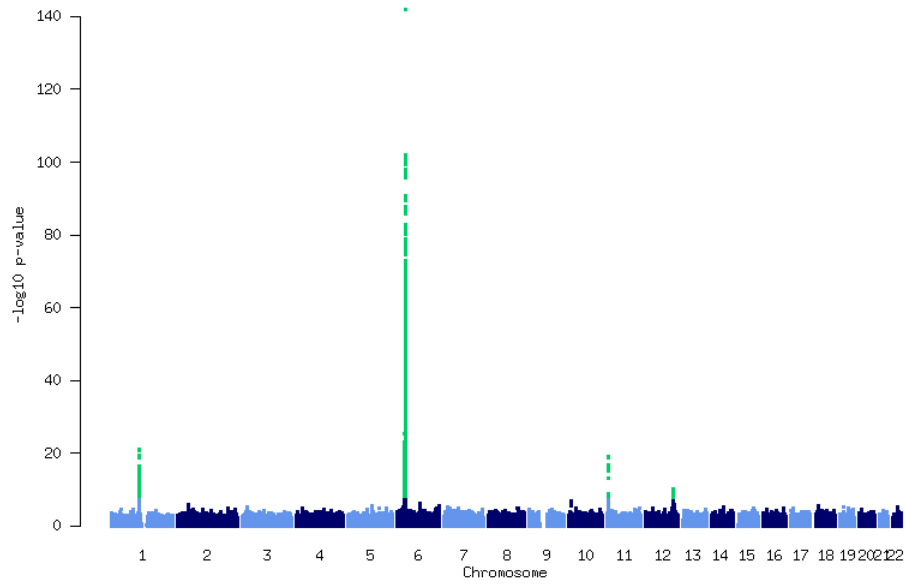
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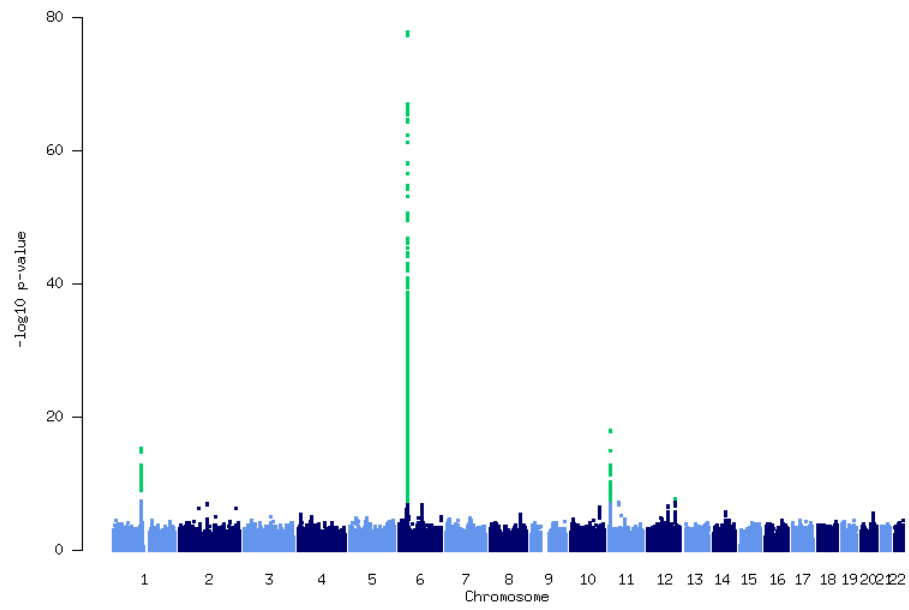
**Figure 1.** QQ plots for (A) LADA vs. population controls, (B) LADA vs. T1D, and (C) LADA vs. T2D



**Figure 2.** Manhattan plots for (A) LADA vs. population controls, (B) LADA vs. T1D, and (C) LADA vs. T2D

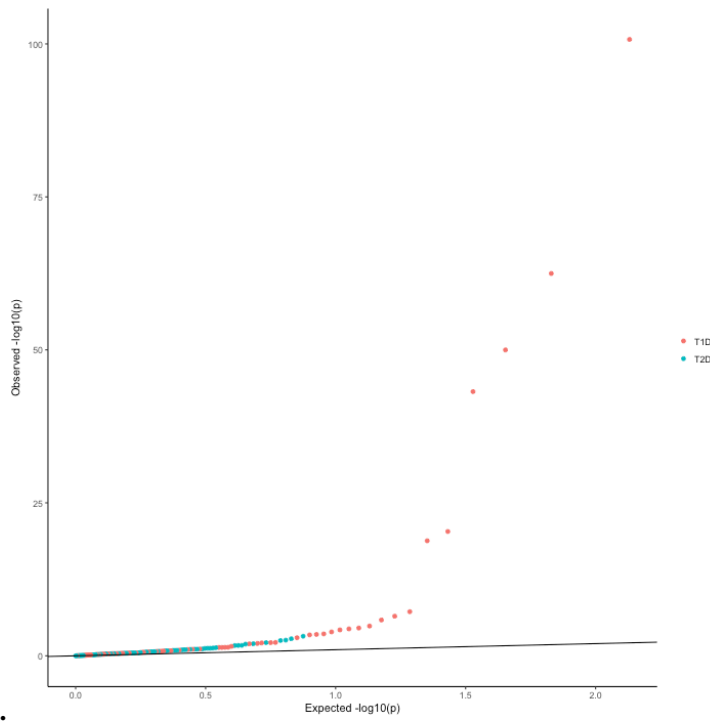




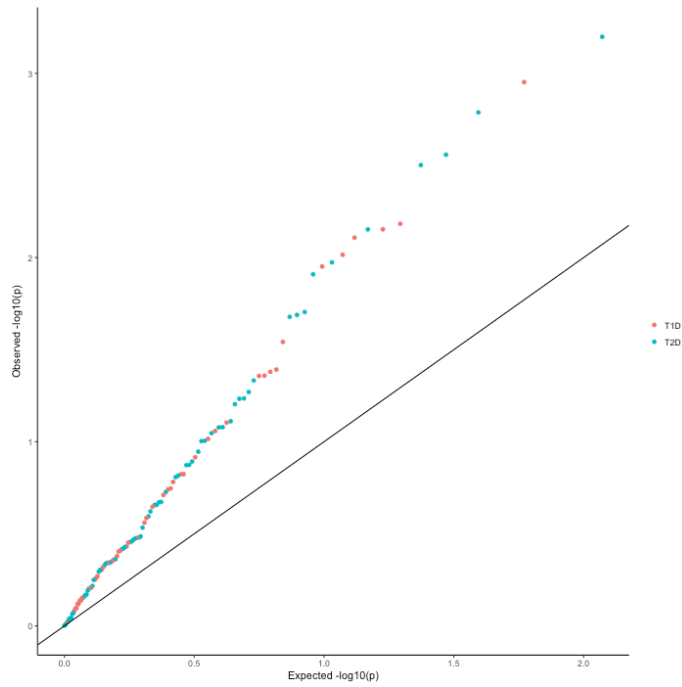


**Figure 3.** QQ plots showing established T1D (red) and T2D (blue) loci in LADA vs. population controls. A) All loci; B) zoomed in at  $1 > P \geq 10^{-4}$  (excluding top T1D signals).-

**A.**



**B.**



## **Supplementary Note: Cohort Information**

**Cohort name:** Action Lada

**Cohort type:** LADA cases

**Inclusion/exclusion criteria:** Patients were designated with diabetes according to standard criteria, and LADA was defined as follows: patients 1) aged 30–70 years, 2) with diabetes associated autoantibodies, and 3) who did not require insulin treatment for at least 6 months post diagnosis. Type 1 autoimmune diabetic patients were defined as case subjects with diabetes and with diabetes-associated autoantibodies where insulin was started at diagnosis or within 1 month of diagnosis. Inclusion criteria for all patients were that patients have diabetes (with at least two recorded fasting blood glucose measurements  $>7$  mmol/L), that time from diagnosis was 5 years for all patients, and that patients were aged 30–70 years at the time of recruitment. Exclusion criteria were insufficient dataset, current pregnancy, renal disease with raised creatinine or proteinuria, or acute illness at the time of testing.

**Number of study subjects:** 1098

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**Cohort reference:** REC Reference P/02/240

**Conflicts of interest:** No potential conflicts of interest relevant to this work.

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**Cohort name:** Action Lada ‘Plus’

**Cohort type:** LADA cases

**Inclusion/exclusion criteria:** Patients were designated with diabetes according to standard criteria, and LADA was defined as follows: patients 1) aged 30–70 years, 2) with diabetes associated autoantibodies, and 3) who did not require insulin treatment for at least 6 months post diagnosis. Type 1 autoimmune diabetic patients were defined as case subjects with diabetes and with diabetes-associated autoantibodies where insulin was started at diagnosis or within 1 month of diagnosis. Inclusion criteria for all patients were that patients have diabetes (with at least two recorded fasting blood glucose measurements  $>7$  mmol/L), that time from diagnosis was 5 years for all patients, and that patients were aged 30–70 years at the time of recruitment. Exclusion criteria were insufficient dataset, current pregnancy, renal disease with raised creatinine or proteinuria, or acute illness at the time of testing.

**Number of study subjects:** 441

**Acknowledgements:**

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**Cohort reference:**

**Conflicts of interest:**

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**Cohort name:** All New Diabetics In Scania (ANDIS)

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA cases

**Inclusion/exclusion criteria:**

GAD

ELISA: Negative:< 5 kE/L, Positive:>=> 10 kE/L

RIA: Negative:0-34 U/ml, Positive:> 50 U/ml

LADA

Age at onset  $\geq$  35 years

GAD (ELISA) > 10 kE/L

GAD (RIA) >50 U/ml

Non-Scandinavian individuals excluded

**Number of study subjects:** 440

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**Cohort name:** Bone Mineral Density in Childhood Study (BMDCS)

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** population controls

**Cohort description:** The Bone Mineral Density in Childhood Study is a multicenter, longitudinal study of bone accrual in healthy children.

**Inclusion/exclusion criteria:** Only individuals of European ancestry were included.

**Number of study subjects:** 1056

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### **Study cohort: Copenhagen Controls**

The Copenhagen Control sample is collected from two cohorts (The 1936 birth cohort and ADDITION-PRO), and comprises 1974 non-diabetic adults. The control subjects had a mean age of 64.42 (range, 34.44), and 49.9% were male.

**Cohort name:** The 1936 birth cohort

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** Population controls

**Cohort description/inclusion/exclusion criteria:** The cohort consists of all subjects born in 1936, who, on 2 April 1976, were resident in one of four municipalities nearby Glostrup Hospital, Denmark (n=695). The cohort was collected to assess the age-specific prevalence of diabetes mellitus and impaired glucose tolerance in 60-year-old individuals in 1996/97.

**Number of study subjects:** 624 non-diabetic individuals (502 NGTs, 122 IFG/IGTs)

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**Conflicts of interest:** NA

**Cohort name:** ADDITION-PRO

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** Controls

**Cohort description/inclusion/exclusion criteria:** ADDITION-PRO is a longitudinal cohort study of 2082 adults (>45 years) collected to have IGT, IFG, or NGT either with high or low risk of developing type 2 diabetes (based on information about age, sex, gestational diabetes, family history of diabetes, hypertension, BMI, and level of physical activity).

The samples were collected in 2009–2011 from four Danish research centres (Steno Diabetes Center, Aarhus University Hospital, Holstebro Hospital, and Hospital of South West Jutland, Esbjerg).

**Number of study subjects:** 1350 non-diabetic individuals (812 NGTs, 538 IFG/IGTs)

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**Cohort reference:** Johansen et al. Protocol for ADDITION-PRO: a longitudinal cohort study of the cardiovascular experience of individuals at high risk for diabetes recruited from Danish primary care. *BMC Public Health* 2012.

**Conflicts of interest:** NA

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### **Study cohort: Copenhagen LADA**

The Copenhagen LADA sample (n=539) is collected from six cohorts (DD2, Vejle Biobank, OUH, CIMT, Inter99, and SDC). The LADA patients had a mean age of 58.32 (range, 67.31), and 56.2% were male.

The following inclusion criteria for LADA have been applied in all sub-cohorts: GADA positive,  $\geq 20$  years at the time of diagnosis, and treated without insulin for the first year after diagnosis or having fasting serum C-peptide  $\geq 300$  pmol/L at the time of investigation.

**Cohort name:** Danish Centre for strategic Research in Type 2 Diabetes (DD2)

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA cases

**Cohort description/inclusion/exclusion criteria:** DD2 is nationwide cohort, enrolling patients with newly diagnosed type 2 diabetes from general practitioners and hospital specialist outpatient clinics since 2010. GADA was measured in 5966 patients, with an AESKULISA assay.

**Number of study subjects:** 158 LADA cases

**Acknowledgements:** The DD2-project partners are listed on the website [ww.DD2.nu](http://ww.DD2.nu).

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**Cohort reference:** Thomsen et al. The Danish Centre for Strategic Research in Type 2 Diabetes (DD2): Organization of diabetes care in Denmark and supplementary data sources for data collection among DD2 study participants. *Clin Epidemiol* 2012.

**Conflicts of interest:** NA

**Cohort name:** Vejle Biobank

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA cases

**Cohort description/inclusion/exclusion criteria:** The Vejle Diabetes Biobank was established as a regional Bio bank and comprises individuals with diabetes and a gender- and age-matched control population. All participants were aged between 25 and 75 years (both ages included) and residing in the former County of Vejle area on December 31, 2006. Altogether, 3320 patients with type 2 diabetes or type 1 diabetes were recruited from the central database at Vejle Hospital Laboratory Center. GADA were measured in all 3320 patients, with an AESKULISA assay.

**Number of study subjects:** 124 LADA cases

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**Cohort reference:** Petersen et al. Vejle Diabetes Biobank – a resource for studies of the etiologies of diabetes and its comorbidities. *Clin Epidemiol.* 2016.

**Conflicts of interest:** NA

**Cohort name:** OUH

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA cases

**Cohort description/inclusion/exclusion criteria:** The OUH LADA cohort is collected from a database of patients with diabetes newly referred to Odense University Hospital (OUH), Denmark, between 1997 and 2011. GAD autoantibodies were measured in 5,671 patients with diabetes, applying an RSR RIA assay, 279 were GADA positive, above 30 years of age, and had fasting C-peptide above 300 pmol/l. Of these DNA was available for 66.

**Number of study subjects:** 66 LADA cases

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**Funding:** NA

**Cohort reference:** NA

**Conflicts of interest:** NA

**Cohort name:** CIMT

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA cases

**Cohort description/inclusion/exclusion criteria:** The CIMT trial is a multicenter randomized placebo controlled superiority trial conducted from 2008 to 2012 at eight hospitals in the capital region of Denmark. Inclusion criteria included diagnosis of type 2 diabetes, >30 years at diagnosis, BMI >25 kg/m<sup>2</sup>, HbA<sub>1c</sub>>7.5%, treatment with oral anti-diabetic drugs for ≥1 year, and/or insulin treatment for ≥3 months. Exclusion criteria included: major cardiovascular disease within the past 3 months, carotid artery stenosis >70%, heart failure, recent cancer, renal or liver disease, alcohol or drug abuse, unstable retinopathy, pregnancy, breastfeeding, fertile women not using contraception, or allergy towards trial medication. Altogether, 412 type 2 diabetes patients were included in the trial and were screened for the presence of GADA with an RSR ELISA kit.

**Number of study subjects:** 31 LADA cases

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**Cohort reference:** Lundby et al. Study rationale and design of the CIMT trial: the Copenhagen Insulin and Metformin Therapy trial. *Diabetes Obes Metab* 2009.

**Conflicts of interest:** NA

**Cohort name:** Inter99

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA cases

**Cohort description/inclusion/exclusion criteria:** Inter99 is a population based intervention cohort, comprising individuals from the Copenhagen area. Altogether 6784 individuals participated in the baseline examination. GADA were measured in 2531 individuals, with an RSR ELISA kit.

**Number of study subjects:** 19 LADA cases

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**Cohort reference:** Jørgensen et al. A randomized non-pharmacological intervention study for prevention of ischaemic heart disease: baseline results Inter99. *Eur J Cardiovasc Prev Rehabil.* 2003.

**Conflicts of interest:** NA

**Cohort name:** SDC

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA cases

**Cohort description/inclusion/exclusion criteria:** The SDC cohort comprises patients >18 years with type 2 diabetes (n=1676) recruited from the outpatient clinic at Steno Diabetes Center, Gentofte, Denmark. Individuals in pregnancy, having another cause of diabetes or being of another ethnicity than Danish were excluded. GADA were measured in 1595 individuals. Of the 141 LADA patients, GADA were measured with RSR ELISA in 52 patients, and with AESKULISA in 89 patients.

**Number of study subjects:** 141 LADA cases

**Acknowledgements:** NA

**Funding:** NA

**Cohort reference:** NA

**Conflicts of interest:** NA

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**Cohort name:** Diabetes Registry Vasa (DIREVA)

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases

**Inclusion/exclusion criteria:** LADA

Age at onset  $\geq$  35 years

C-peptide (KLU)  $>$  0.2 nmol/L

GAD65a (EIA)  $\geq$  10 U/ml

T1D

Age at onset  $<$  35 years

C-peptide (KLU)  $<$  0.2 nmol/L

T2D

Age at onset  $\geq$  35 years

C-peptide (KLU)  $\geq$  0.2 nmol/L

GAD65a (EIA)  $<$ 10 U/ml

**Number of study subjects:** 3290

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**Cohort reference:** NA

**Conflicts of interest:** None

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**Cohort name:** GoDARTS

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):**

- population controls (replication study only) 969
- LADA cases 206
- T2D cases 4413

**Inclusion/exclusion criteria:**

- Age diagnosis <35
- No insulin within 1 year diagnosis
- GADA positive

**Number of study subjects: (see above)**

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**Cohort name:** HUNT

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA and T2D cases and non-diabetic population controls

**Inclusion/exclusion criteria:** LADA: Self-reported yes to having diabetes, positive for GAD antibodies, initial age at diagnosis >30 years old and no insulin treatment within one year of diagnosis.

T2D: Self-reported yes to having diabetes, GAD antibodies negative, initial age at diagnosis >30 years old and no insulin treatment within one year of diagnosis. Age and gender matched to the LADA cases.

Non-diabetic controls: Self-reported no to ever having diabetes and had non-fasting serum glucose <7.0 mmol/l. Age and gender matched to the LADA cases.

**Number of study subjects:** 139 LADA, 695 T2D and 695 non-diabetic controls

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**Cohort name:** Malmö Diet and Cancer study

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** Non-diabetic controls

**Inclusion/exclusion criteria:**

Diabetes

**Number of study subjects:** 3126

**Acknowledgements:** NA

**Funding:** NA

**Cohort reference:** Berglund G, Nilsson P, Eriksson KF, Nilsson JA, Hedblad B, Kristenson H, et al. Long-term outcome of the Malmo preventive project: mortality and cardiovascular morbidity. J Intern Med. 2000;247(1):19-29. Epub 2000/02/15.

**Conflicts of interest:** None

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**Cohort name:** Scania Diabetes Registry (SDR)

**Cohort type (population controls/ LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases):** LADA cases/ T1D cases/ T2D cases

**Inclusion/exclusion criteria:**

**SDR**

GAD (Wallenberg lab (AU ref < 5.0)

GAD (Wallenberg lab (IU/ml ref <32)

C-peptide (Klin kem (RIA) ref 0.25-0.75)

C-peptide (Klin kem ref 0.3-1.3)

C-peptide (Lund (ref 0.25-0.75)

**LADA**

Age at onset  $\geq 35$

GAD  $\geq 10$  AU

GAD  $\geq 50$  IU/ml

**T1D**

Age at onset < 35

GAD  $\geq 20$  AU

GAD  $\geq 100$  IU/ml

C-peptide  $\geq 0.25$  (Klin kem (RIA))

C-peptide  $\geq 0.3$  (Klin kem)

C-peptide  $\geq 0.25$  (Lund)

**T2D**

BMI > 25

GAD < 5 AU

GAD  $\leq 34$  IU/ml

C-peptide (Klin kem (RIA))  $\geq 0.75$

C-peptide (Klin kem)  $\geq 1.3$

C-peptide (Lund)  $\geq 0.75$

For patients that did not fulfill the criteria for any of the above, the diagnosis given by their physician was used

Non-Scandinavian individuals excluded

**Number of study subjects:** 3567

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**Cohort reference:** Lindholm E, Agardh E, Tuomi T, Groop L, Agardh CD. Classifying diabetes according to the new WHO clinical stages. *Eur J Epidemiol.* 2001;17(11):983-9. Epub 2002/10/17.

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