Title: Human genetic ancestry, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* diversity and tuberculosis disease severity in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Short title: Human and bacterial genomic background and TB disease severity

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Abstract

Infectious diseases have affected humanity for millennia and are among the strongest selective forces. Tuberculosis (TB) is an ancient disease, caused by the human-adapted members of the *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* complex (MTBC). The outcome of TB infection and disease is highly variable, and co-evolution between human populations and MTBC strains may account for some of this variability. Particular human genetic ancestries have been associated with higher susceptibility to TB, but socio-demographic aspects of the disease can confound such associations. Here, we studied 1,000 TB patients from Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, together with their respective MTBC isolates, by combining human and bacterial genomics with clinical data. We found that the genetic background of the TB patient population was strongly influenced by migrationsof Bantu-speaking populations from West Africa, which is in contrast to the corresponding MTBC genotypes that were mainly introduced from outside Africa. These findings suggest a recent evolutionary history of co-existence between the human and MTBC populations in Dar es Salaam. We detected no evidence of an effect of human genetic ancestry, or MTBC phylogenetic diversity alone, nor their interaction, on TB disease severity. There was also no evidence of an association between human variation genome-wide and TB disease severity.Treatment-seeking, social and environmental factors are likely to be the main determinants of disease severity at the point of care in this patient population.

Author Summary

Tuberculosis (TB) is an ancient infectious disease that continues to challenge global health efforts. Here, we explored the interplay between human and bacterial genetics on TB in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. We found that neither the genetic ancestry of the patient, nor the bacterial genotype alone, nor their interaction, influenced the severity of TB. Our finding indicate that in this patient population, social and environmental factors may be the main determinants of TB disease severity.

Introduction

Africa harbors the largest human genetic diversity worldwide (1). This continent is also inhabited by numerous ethnic and linguistic groups (2). While the long evolutionary history of modern humans in Africa and their large effective population sizes (3) explain this high genetic diversity, more recent migration events within and from outside Africa during the last 5,000 years, as well as admixture between historically separated populations, have resulted in some degree of homogenization (4). Hence, African populations nowadays are often composed of a mixture of different genetic ancestries (5, 6). One human migration that had a major influence on the population structure of present-day Africans is the so-called 'Bantu expansion', where Bantu-speaking groups migrated from central Western Africa southwards and eastwards, spreading farming technologies across sub-Saharan Africa, and admixing with local groups of hunter-gatherers and pastoralists (4, 7). Recent human genetic studies have identified moderate population structuring among Bantu-speaking populations (8, 9), yet, admixture with local populations has impacted immune responses to infectious diseases (10). Since pathogens have been one of the strongest selective forces driving human evolution (11), disease susceptibility and clinical outcomes can differ markedly between human populations. Genome-wide association studies (GWAS) have identified mutations altering the susceptibility to various infectious diseases (12-15), including tuberculosis (TB), which remains the main cause of human death due to a single infectious agent (16).

The bacteria that cause TB belong to the *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* complex (MTBC) and can be classified into ten human-adapted phylogenetic lineages: Lineage 1 (L1) to L10, plus several lineages adapted to different wild and domestic animal host species (17, 18). While TB is a global problem, the human-adapted MTBC lineages differ in their geographical distribution. L2 and L4 occur worldwide and other lineages are restricted to specific regions. Specifically, L1 and L3 mainly occur around the Indian Ocean (19), L5 and L6 that are limited

to West Africa (20), and L7 only occurs in Ethiopia (21). This phylogeographic population structure of the human-adapted MTBC led to the hypothesis that certain MTBC genotypes are locally adapted to their sympatric human populations (19). This hypothesis is supported by findings from cosmopolitan settings, where sympatric associations between the geographical origin of TB patients and their infecting MTBC strains were observed (22-25). Moreover, in immune-compromised individuals with HIV co-infection, these sympatric associations were disrupted (26). The various MTBC genotypes also differ phenotypically (27), regarding disease progression (28), transmission (29, 30), disease presentation (31) and immune activation in vitro (32, 33) and ex vivo (34).

Human genetic diversity has also been linked to differences in TB susceptibility. While for example *TYK2* has been associated with TB disease worldwide (35), several human genetic loci were not consistently associated with TB in populations from different geographical regions but specific to certain populations (36-40). Particular human genetic ancestries have also been found to play a role in the context of TB. People with higher proportions of native Peruvian genetic ancestry showed a higher risk of progressing to active TB (41), and a higher proportion of San genetic ancestry was associated with an increased risk for TB among South African Coloured individuals (42). Differences in ethnicity have also been associated with different inflammatory profiles of TB patients at the time of presentation (34). In addition to the effects of human and bacterial genetic diversity on TB, many social and environmental factors, as well as co-morbidities are known drivers of TB. These include malnutrition (43), HIV infection, diabetes (44, 45), poverty (46), smoking (47), and alcohol consumption (48).While associations between TB and individual host, pathogen or environmental factors have been found (36-41, 43), studies considering all these components simultaneously, remain scarce (49-51).

Symptomatic TB has a wide spectrum of severity, and studies conducted before anti-TB drugs became available, suggest that mild disease is associated with higher odds of natural recovery (52, 53). If mortality and natural recovery from symptomatic TB vary depending on the spectrum of disease, conceivably human populations exhibit genetic variation underlying disease severity. Furthermore, given that humans and the MTBC have coexisted for millennia, some of this variation could be linked to human ancestry. Here, we characterized the genetic variation including the genetic ancestry of a cohort of TB patients from Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, the phylogenetic lineage of their correspondent MTBC isolate, and investigated the association of both with TB disease severity while accounting for demographic, social-economical and environmental variables.

Results

Genetic ancestry of Tanzanian TB patients

Genetic ancestries were estimated for 7,479 individuals from 249 populations (Supplementary Figure S2) including 1,444 Tanzanian TB patients, using the software Admixture (54) with 53,255 SNPs (Figure 1, Supplementary Figure S1).

Figure 1 – Genetic ancestry analyses of Tanzanian TB patients.
A) Genetic ancestry proportions of the 1,444 Tanzanian TB patients and representative human populations who shared at least 1% of their most common genetic ancestry with the Tanzanians for K = 24. (ESN: Esan from Nigeria (1000G), LWK: Luhya from Kenya (1000G)). For all populations included in our study, see Supplementary Figure S2 for their geographic distribution and Figure S5 for the ancestry composition of all African populations included in this study. **B)** The geographical location of the representative populations shown in A are depicted with black circles, and the corresponding country is highlighted. The remaining African populations included in the analysis are represented by blue circles.

The optimal number of source populations to describe our dataset was 24, based on the lowest cross-validation error (55) (Supplementary Figure S3). For the purpose of this study, we named the genetic ancestries according to the geographical distribution and/or ethnicity of the reference populations that they are most prevalent in. The genetic ancestry with the highest contribution among Tanzanians with a mean of 44% (maximum 68%, minimum 0%) was also the most abundant in Bantu-speaking (BS) people from Southern and southeastern Africa (e.g. the Ronga population in Figure 1), and hence hereafter, we will refer to this ancestry as "Southeastern BS" (Figure 1). The second most common genetic ancestry with a mean of 22% (maximum 42%, minimum 6%) in the Tanzanian TB patients was most common among Kenyans (e.g. the Luhya population in Figure 1, 1000G and HGDP, see methods), and will be referred to as the "Eastern BS" genetic ancestry. Additionally, the Tanzanian TB patients had a mean of 9% (maximum 53%, minimum 0%) of a genetic ancestry that was most common among Bantu-speaking populations from western Central Africa, (e.g. the Eviya population in Figure 1); we will refer to it as the "Western BS" genetic ancestry. Furthermore, the Tanzanian TB patients contained on average 4% of a genetic ancestry most abundant among Nigerians represented by the Esan population ("Nigerian" genetic ancestry in Figure 1), and 4% of a genetic ancestry most abundant in people from Chad and Sudan (represented by the Nuba population in Figure 1). In addition, the genetic ancestry of the Tanzanian TB patients was composed of 3% of a genetic ancestry most prevalent in people from Western Africa (Gambia and Senegal represented by the Senegal Bedik population, in Figure 1), as well as 3% of a genetic ancestry most prevalent in individuals from western Africa rainforest hunter-gatherer populations (Bezan population in Figure 1). A mean of 2% belonged to a genetic ancestry most common among Bedouin individuals (represented by the Yemenite Jew population in Figure 1). The proportions of the remaining genetic ancestries were all smaller than 2%

(Supplementary Figure S4, admixture plots for all African populations included can be found in Supplementary Figure S5). Finally, most Tanzanian TB patients had little non-African genetic ancestry (mean 5%, maximum 65%), with only 14 patients (~1%) showing more than 30% non-African genetic ancestry. In summary, the ancestry of Tanzanian TB patients was, for the most part, a mixture of three different Bantu components. Thus, for the remaining sections, we will focus on the ancestries termed Eastern BS (eBS) , Southeastern BS (seBS), and Western BS (wBS) .

Insights into the Bantu-speaking genetic ancestries in Africa and Tanzania

Compiling several datasets, including many different BS populations, allowed for a closer look at the distribution of BS ancestries across African populations. Like Tanzanians, the populations from the neighboring Kenya and Mozambique showed strong contributions of BS ancestries resulting from different admixture events (Figure 1). While the eBS genetic ancestry was highest in Kenya and Tanzania, decreasing from there to the south and to the west of the continent (Figure **2**A), the seBS genetic ancestry generally increased towards the south and decreased towards the west as observed by others (Figure **2**B) (8). The wBS genetic ancestry was mainly seen in BS populations from Gabon and Cameroon, as well as in South African populations (Figure **2**C). At a continental-wide level, the geographical distribution and the genetic distances of the human populations analyzed were significantly correlated (Mantel test: veridical correlation = 0.18, p-value < 0.001, Supplementary Figure S6).

Even though all our TB patients were recruited in Dar es Salaam, we found them to belong to a variety of self-defined ethnic groups linked to different geographical regions within Tanzania (Figure 2D). Even at this smaller scale, we found a significant correlation between the geographic distance of the self-defined ethnic groups of our TB patients and their genetic

distances (Mantel test: veridical correlation = 0.12, p-value < 0.001). The geographical structuring of human genetic diversity within Tanzania was further supported by our finding that the seBS genetic ancestry increased from West to East, and from North to South. The eBS genetic ancestry increased from South to North and decreased from West to East. The wBS genetic ancestry increased to the North and decreased to the East (Supplementary Figure S6A).

Figure 2 - Spatial visualizations of the BS genetic ancestries and the genetic ancestries of the different self-identified ethnic groups among the TB patients in Tanzania. The genetic ancestry was inferred by admixture with K = 24, and the interpolation of the ancestries was performed by using the pykrige module in Python (see methods). **A**) eBS genetic ancestry, **B**) seBS genetic ancestry, and **C**) wBS genetic ancestry. The populations included for spatial interpolations are marked with a black dot on the maps. The maps were created using the basemap module in Python. **D**) Geographical origin of the ethnic groups among our TB patient cohort. The Temeke Distric hospital in Dar es Salaam where the patients were recruited is marked with a red point. Note that for some ethnic groups, no geographical origin could be identified (Supplementary Table 1). **E**) Ancestry plots for the different ethnic groups with at least 10 patients from our TB patient cohort.

The MTBC genotypes circulating in Tanzania and their association with TB disease severity

In previous work (56), we investigated the MTBC genotypes causing TB in the patient cohort analyzed here. We found a high diversity of MTBC genotypes, with approximately half of the TB cases caused by four main MTBC genotypes estimated to have been introduced into Tanzania starting 320 years ago. After adding the genomic information of an additional 389 MTBC isolates to our dataset (new total N=1,471), the prevalence of the four dominant MTBC genotypes was very similar to our previous findings (50). The most frequent genotype within L3.1.1 (referred to as "Introduction 10") contributed 39% of the current TB cases, followed by a genotype within L1.1.2 ("Introduction 9") with 9%, a genotype within L4.3.4 ("Introduction 5") with 6%, and a genotype within L2.2.1 ("Introduction 1") with 5%. The remaining TB cases were caused by a variety of other genotypes within L1-L4, but occurred at frequencies of 1% or less (56). Despite a 36% increase in sample size compared to our previous analysis (56), we still found no evidence of an association between the different MTBC genotypes circulating in Dar es Salaam and TB disease severity using as proxies; X-ray scores (mild or severe), bacterial load (inferred from GeneXpert cycle threshold) and TB-score (mild or severe) (Table 1, Table 3) (see Methods).

2 Table 1- Human and bacterial genotypes by the severity measures

	levels	TB-score Total N (%)	Missing N (%)	Severe N (%)	Mild N (%)	Lung damage (X-ray score) Total N	Missing N	severe	mild	not available	Bacterial load (Ct-value) Total N	Missing N	Mean (SD)
Total N (%)				624 (33)	1280 (67)			177 (9)	849 (45)	878 (46)			
MTBC		1471				764					863		
Genotype	other	(77.3)	433	207 (42)	406 (41)	(74.5)	262	51 (39)	269 (43)	293 (41)	(78.3)	239	19.4 (4.9)
	L2.2.1 - Intro 1			22 (4)	49 (5)			7 (5)	28 (4)	36 (5)			20.5 (5.1)
	L3.1.1 - Intro 10			184 (38)	388 (40)			59 (45)	239 (38)	274 (39)			19.1 (4.7)
	L4.3.4 - Intro 5			26 (5)	60 (6)			4 (3)	38 (6)	44 (6)			19.5 (4.1)
	L1.1.2 - Intro 9			51 (10)	78 (8)			11 (8)	58 (9)	60 (8)			19.1 (4.7)
seBS Bantu	Mean (SD)	1442 (75.7)	462	0.44 (0.2)	0.44 (0.2)	840 (81.9)	186	0.45 (0.1)	0.43 (0.2)	0.45 (0.2)	810 (73.5)	292	19.9 (5.2)
eBS	Mean (SD)	1442 (75.7)	462	0.23 (0.1)	0.22 (0.1)	840 (81.9)	186	0.22 (0.1)	0.23 (0.1)	0.22 (0.1)	810 (73.5)	292	19.9 (5.2)
wBS	Mean (SD)	1442 (75.7)	462	0.08 (0.1)	0.09 (0.1)	840 (81.9)	186	0.08 (0.1)	0.09 (0.1)	0.08 (0.1)	810 (73.5)	292	19.9 (5.2)
Other ancestry	Mean (SD)	1442 (75.7)	462	0.25 (0.1)	0.25 (0.1)	840 (81.9)	186	0.25 (0.1)	0.25 (0.1)	0.25 (0.1)	810 (73.5)	292	19.9 (5.2)

Relationship between the human and MTBC population structures

We previously found that the four dominant MTBC genotypes in Dar es Salaam differed in their transmission rate and in the duration of the infectious period (56). Here, we assessed whether there might be an additional host genetic contribution to these differences. We first compared the genetic ancestry proportions between patients infected with the four dominant genotypes, and then tested whether patients who were genetically more closely related were infected with MTBC genotypes that were also more closely related as would be expected from a co-evolutionary process (57). However, the human genetic ancestry proportions differed only marginally between the TB patients infected by the four main MTBC genotypes (Table 2). Moreover, there was no correlation between the human and bacterial genetic distances (Mantel test: veridical correlation = -0.02, p-value = 0.85). Taken together, we found no statistically significant relationship between the human and bacterial genetic population structure in Dar es Salaam. These results also suggest that the genetic composition of this human population is unlikely to have a measurable effect on the differences in bacterial transmission rate and duration of the infectious period reported previously (56).

 Table 2 - **Characteristics of MTBC genotypes for all patients with either human or bacterial genetic data available.**

	N (%)[1]	Missing N	levels	Other genotype	L2.2.1 - Intro 1	L3.1.1 - Intro 10	L4.3.4 - Intro 5	L1.1.2 - Intro 9	No bacterial data available
Total N (%)				613 (32)	71 (4)	572 (30)	86 (5)	129 (7)	433 (23)
Sex[2]	1471 (100.0)	0	male (%)	424 (69)	52 (73)	425 (74)	55 (64)	87 (67)	302 (70)
			female (%)	189 (31)	19 (27)	147 (26)	31 (36)	42 (33)	131 (30)
Age in years	1471 (100.0)	0	Median (IQR)	33.0 (28.0-40.0)	31.0 (24.5-38.0)	33.0 (26.0-41.0)	31.5 (27.0-38.8)	35.0 (26.0- 45.0)	35.0 (27.0- 43.0)
HIV Status[2]	1452 (98.7)	19	infected (%)	90 (15)	10 (14)	103 (18)	19 (22)	31 (25)	97 (23)
Smoker[2]	1443 (98.1)	28	yes (%)	127 (21)	18 (26)	149 (27)	11 (13)	26 (20)	97 (23)
Cough duration (weeks)	1454 (98.8)	17	Median (IQR)	4.0 (3.0- 4.0)	4.0 (3.0- 4.0)	4.0 (3.0-4.0)	3.5 (2.2-4.0)	4.0 (2.0-5.0)	3.0 (2.0-4.0)
Socioeconomic status	1452 (98.7)	19	Median (IQR)	80.0 (50.0-125.0)	75.0 (50.0-125.0)	87.5 (50.0-126.2)	85.4 (50.0-122.9)	75.0 (50.0-125.0)	83.3 (50.0-133.3)
Education[2]	1471 (100.0)	0	no education (%)	90 (14.7)	5 (7.0)	76 (13.3)	10 (11.6)	15 (11.6)	76 (17.6)
			primary (%)	391 (63.8)	54 (76.1)	390 (68.2)	61 (70.9)	92 (71.3)	273 (63.0)
			secondary (%)	105 (17.1)	12 (16.9)	90 (15.7)	13 (15.1)	18 (14.0)	64 (14.8)
			university (%)	27 (4.4)	0 (0.0)	16 (2.8)	2 (2.3)	4 (3.1)	20 (4.6)
Malnutrition[2]	1471 (100.0)	0	yes (%)	83 (13.5)	9 (12.7)	71 (12.4)	11 (12.8)	13 (10.1)	56 (12.9)
Relapse/Reinfection[2]	1447 (98.4)	24	yes (%)	9 (1.5)	4 (5.6)	18 (3.2)	2 (2.4)	3 (2.3)	12 (2.8)
Drug resistance status[2]	1471 (100.0)	0	susceptible (%)	574 (93.6)	70 (98.6)	556 (97.2)	80 (93.0)	119 (92.2)	0

	N (%)								
			INH-Mono (%)	37 (6.0)	1 (1.4)	16 (2.8)	6 (7.0)	10 (7.8)	0
			MDR (%)		0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.3)	0
seBS	1009 (68.6)	462	Median (IQR)	0.5 (0.3-0.6)	0.5 (0.4-0.5)	0.5 (0.4-0.6)	0.5 (0.4-0.6)	0.5 (0.4-0.6)	0.5 (0.3-0.6)
eBS	1009 (68.6)	462	Median (IQR)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)
wBS	1009 (68.6)	462	Median (IQR)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	0.1 (0.1-0.1)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)	0.1 (0.0-0.1)
Other ancestry	1009 (68.6)	462	Median (IQR)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)	0.2 (0.2-0.2)	0.2 (0.2-0.2)	0.2 (0.2-0.3)

[1] The column N (%) indicates the total number of patients with bacterial genetic data available that contained a value for the respective variable.

[2] The percentage of a MTBC genotype that have the respective characteristic (e.g percentage of males among patients infected with an Intro 1 MTBC genotype).

Association of human genetic ancestry with TB disease severity

In a previous publication on the same cohort, we found that the bacterial genetic background could not explain the differences observed in TB disease severity (56). Since TB disease is shaped by the bacterial and the human genetic background as well as environmental factors (58), we next investigated whether human genetic ancestry could have contributed to the differences in disease severity observed between our TB patients. We assessed the associations between ancestry and the three proxies of TB severity in HIV-negative patients using logistic regression models.. We included the three human genetic ancestries with the highest proportions among the Tanzanian TB patients (seBS, eBS, wBS) as covariates, together with age, sex, smoking, socioeconomic status, TB category (relapse or not), malnutrition, education level, and drug resistance status to control for potential confounding. We found no evidence of an association between human genetic ancestry and any of these three proxies of TB disease severity (Table 1). We repeated the analysis by adding cough duration as covariate to possibly account for the disease duration before recruitment but the results remained unchanged. Additionally, we conducted a genome-wide association study to test for associations between specific human genetic variants and the three proxies of TB disease severity. We included the top three human genetic principal components (PCs), HIV status and the same covariates as for the regression described above. No evidence of an association was found (Supplementary Figure S7).

The combined effect of human and MTBC genetic diversity on TB disease severity

For a subset of 1,000 TB patients, we had both an MTBC genome and a human genome or genotype available. Genetic interactions between the host and the pathogen have been shown to affect TB severity in other settings (41, 59). To test for potential interactions between human

and bacterial diversity on TB severity, we added to the ancestry logistic regression models

described in the previous section the most common MTBC genotype as an additional

explanatory variable (L3.1.1-Introduction 10), as well as the interaction between human

ancestry and MTBC genotype. We only tested L3.1.1-Introduction 10, since the numbers of

patients with the other genotypes were too few for meaningful testing. However, we found no

evidence for any interaction between the MTBC genotype and human ancestry influencing TB

disease severity in this patient population (Table 3, Supplementary Figure S8).

Table 3 – **Estimated associations between disease severity, human genetic ancestry and bacterial genotype.** Three variables as proxies for disease severity were included: Lung damage (mild versus severe), TB-score (mild versus severe), Bacterial load (continuous, log10 transformed). Binomial logistic regressions were performed on the data of HIV-negative patients and adjusting was done for age, sex, smoking, socioeconomic status, level of education, malnutrition, TB Type (relapse or new infection), and drug resistance status by including these variables in the model. For the ancestries and the interactions, the p-values were retrieved by performing a likelihood ratio test comparing a model including the ancestries and interactions to a model without them. This table combines the results of two logistic regressions per disease severity measure, one including an interaction and one without. The ancestries were transformed and categorized (see Methods) with category 1 comprising the lowest amount of the respective ancestry and category 3 (4 in the case of wBS) the highest amount.

| | | Disease severity measure | | | | | |
| | | Lung damage | | TB-score | | Bacterial load (Ct-value) | |
		OR adjusted	p-value adjusted	OR adjusted	p-value adjusted	OR adjusted	p-value adjusted
MTBC genotype[1]	L3.1.1-Introduction 10	1.60 (0.95-2.67)	0.07	1.00 (0.72-1.40)	0.98	0.99 (0.97-1.00)	0.13
	other genotypes	1		1		1.00	
Human ancestry[2]	seBS category 3	2.29 (1.04-5.42)	0.19	1.06 (0.66-1.69)	0.17	1.00 (0.98-1.03)	0.13
	seBS category 2	2.40 (1.15-5.41)		0.62 (0.40-0.94)		1.02 (0.99-1.04)	
	seBS category 1	1		1		1.00	
	eBS category 3	1.30 (0.51-3.79)		1.09 (0.64-1.84)		1.02 (0.99-1.05)	
	eBS category 2	1.50 (0.61-4.28)		1.17 (0.69-1.94)		1.00 (0.97-1.03)	

	eBS category 1	1		1		1.00	
	wBS category 4	0.58 (0.23-1.53)		0.94 (0.49-1.76)		1.02 (0.98-1.06)	
	wBS category 3	0.54 (0.21-1.46)		1.09 (0.57-2.04)		1.03 (0.99-1.07)	
	wBS category 2	0.73 (0.26-2.15)		1.03 (0.50-2.09)		1.03 (0.99-1.08)	
	wBS category 1	1		1		1.00	
Interaction²	seBS category 3* L3.1.1-Intro 10	1.05 (0.20-5.43)	0.06 [1]	1.05 (0.40-2.71)	0.92	0.99 (0.94-1.04)	0.83
	seBS category 2* L3.1.1-Intro 10	0.39 (0.08-1.94)		1.29 (0.52-3.15)		0.98 (0.93-1.03)	
	seBS category 1* L3.1.1-Intro 10	1		1		1.00	
	eBS category 3* L3.1.1-Intro 10	8.32 (0.91-193.14)		1.45 (0.48-4.34)		1.01 (0.94-1.07)	
	eBS category 2* L3.1.1-Intro 10	6.38 (0.71-146.86)		1.25 (0.42-3.70)		1.02 (0.96-1.09)	
	eBS category 1* L3.1.1-Intro 10	1		1		1.00	

	wBS category 4* L3.1.1-Intro 10	0.17 (0.02-1.23)		1.79 (0.49-6.56)		0.97 (0.90-1.05)	
	wBS category 3* L3.1.1-Intro 10	0.33 (0.04-2.51)		1.48 (0.40-5.51)		0.99 (0.92-1.07)	
	wBS category 2* L3.1.1-Intro 10	0.87 (0.09-8.06)		2.40 (0.53-11.05)		0.98 (0.90-1.07)	
	wBS category 1* L3.1.1-Intro 10	1		1		1.00	

[1] The odds ratio for genotype represents the odds of severe disease for Introduction 10 compared to the odds for other genotypes.

[2] The odds ratios represent the estimated multiple in the odds of severe disease for a one-unit increase in the additive log-transformed ancestry variable.

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Discussion

In this study, we analyzed the genetic ancestry of TB patients, the MTBC diversity underlying

their TB infection, and estimated the associations of both with disease severity in Dar es

Salaam, Tanzania. We found a strong component of BS genetic ancestries among the

Tanzanian TB patients, similar to those of neighboring populations from Mozambique and

Kenya, and little non-African genetic ancestry. Genetic ancestry proportions did not differ

between patients infected with different MTBC genotypes. There was no evidence that the

patient genetic ancestry or the MTBC genotype on their own, nor their interaction, had any

effect on TB disease severity.

Despite the fact that Tanzania is one of the few countries in sub-Saharan Africa where all four

main African linguistic groups co-exist (60), and that its largest city and economic capital, Dar

es Salaam, is strongly influenced by different human populations from within and outside

Africa, our cohort of TB patients mostly comprised BS ethnicities. Comparing this TB patient

cohort to a large number of modern human populations revealed major components of eBS and

seBS genetic ancestries. This genetic population structure probably resulted from several

admixture events estimated to have happened between 1500 to 150 years ago, between local

populations and BS populations who migrated from West Africa to the East and South of the

continent (4). The TB patients investigated here were recruited in one district hospital of Dar

es Salaam. Yet, we found the genetic distances between the patients to be correlated with the

original geographic range of their self-identified ethnicities, suggesting that the corresponding

human populations are not fully admixed. The population of Dar es Salaam has increased by

several millions in the last 40 years, mainly as a result of immigration from rural parts of

Tanzania (61). Thus, our findings suggest that our TB patient population mostly represents

recent migrants to Dar es Salaam from other regions of Tanzania. Moreover, we found little

evidence of Eurasian genomic influence in the TB patient population (on average 5% genetic

ancestry). This is in strong contrast to coastal Swahili populations, as recent findings comparing

modern and medieval Swahili people revealed large components of genetic ancestry derived

from exchanges between local East African BS populations and people from India, Persia, and

Arabia, starting as early as 1000 AD (62). We conclude that our TB patient population does

not represent the full spectrum of human genetic diversity in Tanzania.

In contrast to the genetic ancestry of the TB patients, we found that the MTBC genotypes

infecting these patients descend from multiple historical introductions, which mainly resulted

from the human exchanges that took place across the Indian Ocean during the last few centuries

(56). Some of these recently introduced MTBC genotypes became dominant, in particular the

MTBC genotype L3.1.1-Introduction 10, which caused TB in approximately 40% of our

patients. These strains descended from an introduction that occurred approximately 300 years

ago from South or Central Asia to East-Africa (56). Hence, while our TB patient population

reflects little historical gene flow from non-African populations, the underlying MTBC

diversity indicates that the MTBC genotypes introduced from outside successfully spread in

this newly encountered host population, eventually outcompeting native MTBC genotypes

(63).

We previously reported that in this TB patient cohort, some of the dominant MTBC genotypes

had a higher transmission rate than others, while some other MTBC genotypes induced patients

to remain infectious for longer (56). Based on the similar proportions of MTBC genotypes

among self-reported ethnic groups we observed at the time, we had already hypothesized that

human genetic heterogeneity of the host population is unlikely to be responsible for those

differences (56). Here we formally addressed this hypothesis, and found that there was no

evidence that the human genetic ancestry proportions differed between patients infected with

different MTBC genotypes in our cohort. This finding is consistent with the notion that the

differences in epidemiological parameters we reported previously are mainly determined by

the pathogen genotype.

Disease severity is one aspect of the clinical presentation of TB with a direct impact on patient

mortality and morbidity, as well as on pathogen transmission, as it influences patient

infectiousness. It is thus likely that both host and pathogen genetic characteristics can modulate

TB disease severity (57). Experimental infections in various animal models suggest that

different MTBC strains vary in virulence (64-66). However, *in clinico* evidence for differences

in disease severity caused by different MTBC genotypes are inconsistent (67, 68). We found

no evidence of differences in disease severity at the point of care caused by the different MTBC

genotypes in our study. Moreover, we did not observe any association between human genetic

ancestry and disease severity, which is in contrast to a recent study from Peru, where human

genetic ancestry was found to influence progression to active TB (41).

Our previous work found evidence of such genetic interactions when considering the complete

genomes of the TB patients and their infecting MTBC strain (50), and identified associations

between human and pathogen variants. Such associations reflect host-pathogen genetic

interactions that determine susceptibility to symptomatic TB or intra-host selection during

mycobacterial replication. Here, in the context of co-evolutionary history between humans and

MTBC, we specifically tested whether an interaction between the main human ancestry

components and being infected with the most dominant MTBC strain in Dar es Salaam could

explain the variability in TB disease severity. However, we did not find evidence of such an

effect. Others have reported an association between TB disease severity, a particular bacterial

genotype and a particular human SNP in Uganda, but did not explicitly link this human SNP

to a particular human genetic ancestry (59, 69). Several factors could account for the lack of

effect we observed. First, our patient population was relatively genetically homogeneous, given

that the different BS components represent populations with only moderate levels of genetic

differentiation (70). Second, there is likely to be selection bias in our cohort since only patients

presenting at the clinic were recruited. The disease severity measures included in this study

mainly reflect disease stages at which patients felt ill enough to go to the hospital; i.e. we did

not consider intermediate, more contrasting disease states that are known to occur between

infection and the development of symptoms (71). To at least partially account for that, we

included the number of weeks a patient was coughing as a covariate in our analyses. Third, the

lack of a measurable interaction between host genetic ancestry and MTBC genotype could

reflect the relatively recent presence of these MTBC genotypes in Tanzania, and the distinct

(i.e. allopatric) geographical origins of the host and pathogen populations. This indicates that

none of the ancestral human populations that compose modern Tanzanians has lived in

sympatry with the ancestors of the modern MTBC genotypes that circulate in Dar es Salaam

today.. With the exception of West Africa, where the geographically restricted West-African

MTBC lineages L5 and L6 remain an important cause of human TB (72), the situation in

Tanzania might be representative of the TB epidemics in many African countries, as evidence

suggests that many MTBC genotypes dominating the continent today have been introduced

from outside Africa recently in the history of human populations (63, 73-75).

In conclusion, our study shows that the TB patients from Dar es Salaam were mainly of BS

genetic ancestry reflecting limited Eurasian genetic influx. Neither the human genetic ancestry

or the MTBC genotype alone, nor their interaction, were associated with TB disease severity.

Our results highlight the dominant role of social and environmental factors in human TB in

Tanzania.

Methods

Study population

This study is based on a previously described dataset (50, 56). Briefly, adult active TB patients with pulmonary disease (sputum smear-positive and GeneXpert-positive) were recruited between November 2013 and June 2022 at the Temeke District Hospital in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania when they first presented for care. Sputum and blood samples were collected from each patient to extract DNA for sequencing of the MTBC strain, and genotyping or whole-genome sequencing (WGS) of the patient. Additionally, clinical and sociodemographic information was obtained from every patient. In total, there was either human or bacterial data available for 1,904 patients. Of those 1,444 patients had human genetic data and 1,471 had bacterial genetic data available, respectively. A total of 1,000 patients had both types of data available after quality-based filtering. The geographical locations of the self-indicated ethnic group of each patient were retrieved by searching for the original region of the respective ethnic group, and if they originated from a single region, the geographic coordinates according to Wikipedia were taken. If two neighboring regions were among the origins, then a random location between the two regions was taken as surrogate (Supplementary Table S1).

Bacterial and human sample processing

The MTBC bacteria were cultured on solid Löwenstein-Jensen media at the TB laboratory of the Ifakara Health Institute in Bagamoyo, Tanzania. Before 2018, the MTBC isolates were transferred to Switzerland for DNA extraction and later, DNA extraction was carried out in Bagamoyo. Bacterial WGS was done using the Illumina short-read technology at the Department of Biosystems Science and Engineering of ETH Zurich in Basel (DBSSE). Human WGS was done at the Health 2030 Genome Center in Geneva, Switzerland using an Illumina NovaSeq 6000 sequencer. The human genotyping was done at the iGE3 Genomics platform at

the University of Geneva in Switzerland using the Illumina Infinium H3Africa genotyping

microarray (Version 2; https://chipinfo.h3abionet.org) plus custom Tanzanian-specific SNP

add-ons (76).

Human genetic data

The processing of the human genetic data has been described in detail by Xu et al (50). Briefly,

we used the GRCh38 as a human reference genome to map the WGS reads of 118 patients

using BWA aligner (v0.7.17) (77). Duplicate reads were then marked with the markduplicates

module of Picard (v2.8.14) (78). Variant calling was first done for each sample individually

following GATK best practices for germline short variant discovery. Samples with a coverage

below 5 were excluded followed by a joint calling of the variants. A Quality Score

Recalibration (VQSR) based filter was applied (real sensitivity of 99.7, excess heterozygosity

of 54.69) and samples with more than 50% missing genotype calls were removed.

For the genotyping data, we used the Illumina GenomeStudio software (v2.0.5,

https://support.illumina.com/array/array_software/genomestudio/downloads.html) to analyze

the raw microarray data. Samples with a low quality, that were badly clustered, or that had a

call rate below 0.97, were excluded. The PLINK format was then converted to VCF format

using PLINK (v1.9) (79). The first round of imputation was performed with the African

Genome Resources (AFGR, https://www.apcdr.org/) reference panel on the sanger imputation

server with EAGLE (80) for phasing and Positional Burrows-Wheeler transform (PBWT) (81)

for imputing. The second round was performed with a reference panel created in house that

was based on 118 patients with available whole-genome sequences (76) with SHAPEIT4 for

phasing and Minimac3 for imputing. For each SNP, the reference panel with the highest

imputation quality score was used to determine the final genotype call. SNPs with an INFO

score below 0.8 were discarded.

Bcftools (v1.15) was used to merge the WGS and genotyping samples after identifying SNPs

shared between the two methods that were missing in fewer than 10 samples.

Whole-genome sequence analysis of the MTBC bacteria

We analyzed all FASTQ files using the WGS analysis pipeline described previously (82). In

summary, Trimmomatic (83) v. 0.33 (SLIDINGWINDOW:5:20) was used to remove the

Illumina adaptors and to trim low quality reads. Only reads with a length of at least 20 bp were

kept for further analysis. Overlapping paired-end reads were mergend using SeqPrep v. 1.2

(84) (overlap size = 15). We then mapped the resulting reads to a reconstructed ancestral

sequence of the MTBC (85) with BWA v. 0.7.13 (mem algorithm) (77). Picard v. 2.9.1 (86)

was then applied to mark and exclude duplicated reads. Furthermore, the

RealignerTargetCreator and IndelRealigner modules of GATK v. 3.4.0 (87) were used to

perform local realignment of reads around INDELs. Reads having an alignment score lower

than $(0.93 \times read\ length) - (read\ length \times 4 \times 0.07)$, corresponding to more than 7

miss-matches per 100bp, were excluded using Pysam v. 0.9.0 (88). SNP calling was then

performed with SAMtools v. 1.2 mpileup (89) and VarScan v. 2.4.1 (90) with the following

thresholds: a minimum mapping quality of 20, a minimum base quality at a position of 20,

minimum read depth at a position of 7 and no strand bias. Positions in repetitive regions such

as PE, PPE, and PGRS genes or phages were excluded, as described in (91). A whole-genome

Fasta file was created from the resulting VCF file. We applied some additional filters; genomes

were excluded from downstream analysis if they had a sequencing coverage of lower than 15

or if they contained SNPs suggestive of different MTBC lineages (i.e. mixed infections). We

identified lineages and sublineages using the SNP-based classification by Steiner et al. (92),

and Coll et al. (93), respectively. In addition, we identified drug resistance mutations published

in the WHO catalogue (94) and determined the respective drug resistance profile. The majority

of strains were susceptible (95%), while 70 (5%) were isoniazid mono-resistant and two

contained isoniazid and rifampicin resistance and were considered as multi-drug resistant.

Identification of bacterial SNPs diagnostic for the successful MTBC introductions

We previously identified several successful MTBC introductions into Dar es Salaam (49). For

these, we aimed to obtain a set of diagnostic SNPs that would allow assigning MTBC strains

not included in our previous study to these genotypes. For that, we merged the VCF files from

the 1,082 MTBC genomes included in that previous dataset by using BCFtools (v1.9). We then

used VCFtools (v0.1.16) to remove Indels and positions that were variable in less than 12

genomes (12 was the minimal threshold selected when identifying the successful introductions

in our previous publication (56)). By using the R package VariantAnnotation (95) and a

customized Python script, SNPs specific to one of the most successful introductions were

extracted. To ensure the SNPs identified as markers for the introductions were specific, we also

identified phylogenetic SNPs on a bigger and global dataset representing the human-adapted

MTBC diversity (82), and tested whether any of the phylogenetic SNPs identified for any of

the successful Introductions was present in any of the MTBC lineages or sublineages. We

compiled a subset of 25 SNPs (Supplementary Table S2) that we used as phylogenetic markers

for the different MTBC introductions and identified strains belonging to one of the four most

successful MTBC introductions (Introduction 1, Introduction 5, Introduction 9, and

Introduction 10) in the expanded MTBC dataset based on these SNPs by using a customized

script.

Measures of TB disease severity

We used three different proxies for TB disease severity. The first one was the TB-score, which

is a clinical score adapted from Wejse et al. (96) that consists of several signs and symptoms

including the presence of fever and the Body Mass Index (BMI). A point was given for each

of the following symptoms or clinical measures if present: BMI below 18, BMI below 16, mid

upper arm circumference (MUAC) below 220, MUAC below 200, body temperature higher

than 37°C, cough, hemoptysis, dyspnea, chest pain, night sweat, abnormal auscultation,

anaemia. A maximum of 12 points could be achieved, and a TB-score below 6 was considered

as mild and everything above as severe. As a second proxy, we assessed the amount of lung

damage. Two independent radiologists assessed chest X-ray pictures of the patients and gave

a Ralph score (97). X-ray scores above 71 were considered as severe and everything below as

mild. The Ralph score has been validated to grade chest X-ray severity in adult pulmonary TB

patients and 71 was the optimal cut-off point for predicting unfavorable outcome (89).

Furthermore Ralph scores higher than 71 have been associated with a longer duration of

symptoms, a lower BMI, and higher clinical scores (99). As a third proxy we used the bacterial

load in the sputum represented by the difference between the first (early cycle) and the last

(late cycle) threshold during quantitative PCR (Ct-value) as determined by GeneXpert

MTB/RIF assays. For each sputum sample, we took five probes, run a quantitative PCR each

and reported the lowest Ct-value.

Genetic ancestry analysis of TB patients

To investigate the genetic ancestry of the TB patients, we combined our dataset with the data

from ten other projects: The Gambian Genome Variation Project (GGVP) (100), the 1000

Genomes Project (1000G) (101), the Human Genome Diversity Project (HGDP) (102), Simons

Genome Diversity Project (103), as well as data generated by Patin et al. 2014 and 2017 (4,

104), Hollfelder et al. 2017 (105), Semo et al. 2019 (8), Schlebusch et al. 2012 (106), and

Fortes-Lima et al. 2022 (107). We used the GRCh37 version of all datasets. The dataset of

HGDP was in GRCh38 version and we thus did a lift over to GRCh37 using the picard

(v2.26.10) (78) tool LiftoverVcf. For all the datasets including only populations from one

single continent , we excluded variants with a missingness of more than 10% and only included

variants that did not deviate from Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (p < 1e-5) using PLINK

(version 1.9b, www.cog-genomics.org/plink/1.9/) (79). For the 1000G, SGDP, and HGDP

data, we first identified variants that deviated from the Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (p < 1e-

5) in each superpopulation using PLINK (version 2.0a, www.cog-genomics.org/plink/2.0/) and

removed them from the whole dataset. We additionally removed variants with a high

missingness (> 10%) from the full datasets using PLINK (version 1.9b). After extraction of

103,262 nucleotide positions common to all datasets, we merged the datasets using PLINK

(version 1.9b). From the merged dataset, we removed second-degree relatives using PLINK

(version 2.0a, king cutoff of 0.088) (N=369) and patients from our cohort where the sex

according to the genetic data did not correspond with the sex indicated in the clinical data,

patients who were genetic outliers based on principal component analysis (PCA) or who did

not cluster with any other African samples (N=83). In addition, we removed regions of high

linkage   disequilibrium

(https://genome.sph.umich.edu/wiki/Regions_of_high_linkage_disequilibrium_(LD))   and

applied additional filters to the merged dataset (missingness > 10%, minimum allele frequency

of 5%, removal of sex chromosomes, variant pruning with –indep-pairwise 50 10 0.1, only

biallelic positions) ending up with 53,255 positions and 7,479 individuals from 249

populations.

To infer the ancestry proportions of the Tanzanian TB patients, we used ADMIXTURE

(version 1.3.0) (54). We estimated the number of ancestral populations (K) by running

ADMIXTURE 15 times for each value for K from K=2 until K=29 with the option --cv. The -

-cv option performs 5-fold cross-validation and allows to identify the value for K resulting in

the lowest cross-validation error (Supplementary Figure S3). The cross-validation error was

lowest for K = 24. From the 15 runs performed with K = 24, we selected a representative of an

output that was supported by most of the 15 runs (6/15) to extract the ancestry proportions of

each individual. A PCA was performed using PLINK (version 1.9b) on all African populations
included.

Spatial interpolation of human genetic ancestry proportions

To visualize the distributions of the different patient ancestries, we performed spatial
interpolation using the OrdinaryKriging function from the pykrige module in Python
(variogram_model = "linear", grid space of 500). For the eBS and seBS ancestries, we included
all African populations for the interpolation. For the wBS, the interpolation failed when using
all African populations with an insufficient slope, suggesting little spatial variability. Since
many populations were sampled in the region with the highest proportions of wBS genetic
ancestry and among them many hunter-gatherer populations containing little to no wBS genetic
ancestry, we repeated the interpolation with only a subset of the non-hunter-gatherer
populations.

Correlation between distance matrices

To assess, whether MTBC genotypes that are more closely related tend to infect people that
are also more closely related genetically which would be compatible with co-evolution, we
investigated the correlation between the human and bacterial distance matrices. To calculate
the pairwise bacterial genetic distances, alignments of variable positions where data was
missing in less than 10% of the genomes were generated and used to create SNP distance
matrices according to the Hamming distance (https://git.scicore.unibas.ch/TBRU/tacos).
Insertions and deletions were considered as missing data. To get the human pairwise genetic
distances, we calculated the Euclidean distance based on the first two principal components.
When only looking at the Tanzanian TB patients, we calculated the principal components for
the Tanzanians only while for the continental dataset we included all available African
populations.

To investigate, whether human populations that are geographically more distant are also

genetically more distant, we calculated the correlation between the geographical and the

genetic distance on an African level as well as on the level of Tanzania. For the geographical

distance matrix, we calculated the Euclidean distance based on the latitude and the longitude.

At the level of Tanzania, the broad geographic location of the original area of the ethnic group

was considered (Supplementary Table S1) and for the continental level, the coordinates of the

hospital in Temeke were taken for the Tanzanian TB patients considering that for the other

studies only the sampling locations were known. The human and bacterial genetic distance

matrices as well as the human genetic and geographic distance matrices were tested for

correlations using the mantel.test() function from the mantel module in Python (options: perms

= 10000, method = "pearson", tail = "upper").

Statistical analyses

Clinical and sociodemographic characteristics, MTBC genotype as well as human genetic

ancestry were summarized by the different disease severity measures using proportions or

means and standard deviations. Similarly, the human genetic ancestries were summarized by

MTBC genotype.

To estimate the associations between disease severity and the explanatory variables bacterial

genotype (binary, belonging to Introduction 10 or not) and human ancestries (seBS , eBS,

wBS), we used a logistic regression model. We included three variables as proxies for disease

severity: Lung damage based on X-ray score (mild versus severe), TB-score (mild versus

severe), bacterial load (continuous, log10 transformed).Categorization or transformation of the

disease severity measures were performed because the distributions of the residues were not

normal, violating the assumption of linear regression. We tested only for Introduction 10

because there were few observations of the other MTBC genotypes. To account for the

compositional nature of the human ancestries (i.e. that they sum up to 1), we used the additive

log transformation from the R package 'compositions' (108). The ancestry proportions were

transformed and categorized with category 1 comprising the lowest amount of the respective

ancestry and category 3 (4 in the case of wBS) the highest. The categories were chosen to have

roughly equal numbers of patients in each. We used categories to allow a non-linear

relationship without specifying polynomials, and avoid having difficulty in interpretation but

we recognize that a small amount of information is lost. Similar results were also obtained with

other parameterizations. We assessed whether there was an interaction between ancestry and

genotype on TB severity using the likelihood ratio test. For that, we compared a model

including the interaction between the MTBC genotype and human genetic ancestry to a model

without the interaction using the 'lmtest' package (109). The estimates were adjusted for: age,

sex, smoking, the number of weeks with cough, the socioeconomic status (ratio between

household income and number of household members), education (no, primary, secondary,

university), drug resistance profile, TB category (new infection or relapse/reinfection), and

malnutrition. Only HIV-negative patients were included in the analysis. All statistical analyses

were carried out in R (version 4.1.2). Code for the statistical analysis can be found

(https://github.com/mzwyer/TB-Dar_Mtb).

To conduct the genome-wide association study (GWAS), we used logistic regression (TB

Score, X-ray Score) and a linear model (Ct-value) implemented by PLINK (version 1.9). A

total of 6,665,541 common (MAF > 0.05) human genetic variants were included. Genetic

principal components were calculated using GCTA (version 1.93.2). As covariates, we

included the top three human genetic principal components (PCs) to correct for population

stratification, along with sex, HIV status, age, cough duration, smoking, socioeconomic status,

TB category, malnutrition, education, and drug resistance profile. Genomic inflation factors

were below 1 of all tested outcomes (Supplementary Figure S9).

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Data availability

The bacterial WGS data can be found under the bioprojects PRJEB49562 and PRJNA670836 on ENA and the human WGS and genotyping data under EGAS00001005850 and EGAS00001007216, respectively. Clinical data are available on request.

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Supporting information captions

Supplementary Figure S1 - The first two PCA components for all African populations included in this study (n=116).

Supplementary Figure S2 - Populations included in the Admixture analysis. Populations are coloured according to the study from which the data was obtained (4, 8, 44, 91-93, 95-98).

Supplementary Figure S3 - Boxplots of cross-validation errors for values of K between 2 and 29 resulting from 15 runs. The lowest cross-validation error was obtained for K = 24.

Supplementary Figure S4 - Boxplots of the proportions of the 24 genetic ancestries among the Tanzanian TB patients. The ancestries were named after the population(s) where they were most abundant.

Supplementary Figure S5 - Ancestry plots for all African populations included (K = 24).

Supplementary Figure S6 - Heatmap showing the correlations between the genetic ancestries and geographical location. A) Correlations at the country level of Tanzania between the latitude and longitude of the ethnic group the patients belong to. B) Correlations on a continental level including all African populations. For the latitude, a negative correlation indicates higher genetic ancestry proportions towards the South and for the longitude a negative correlation indicates lower genetic ancestry proportions towards the East.

Supplementary Figure S7 - Manhattan plot for GWAS conducted using A, B, C) TB-score, X-ray score, and Ct-value. Red line indicates GWAS significance threshold of 5e-8.

Supplementary Figure S8 – Association between the Bantu genetic ancestries and TB-score and X-ray score for each of the most successful introductions. A, C, E) Southeastern, Eastern, and Western Bantu on mild or severe TB-score, B, D, E) Southeastern, Eastern, and Western Bantu genetic ancestry lung damage assessed by lung X-ray.

Supplementary Figure S9 - QQ Plot and genomic inflation factor for GWAS conducted using

A, B, C) TB-score, X-ray score, and Ct-value.

Supplementary Table S1 - The different ethnic groups with at least 10 members in our cohort

and the region and broad geographic location of the original area of the ethnic group. The

latitude and longitude are given in decimal degrees. In the case of two associated regions, a

location close to the border of the two regions was selected.

Supplementary Table S2 - Phylogenetic markers selected to identify the Introductions. The

position is based on the reconstructed reference of the ancestor (79) and the derived base

indicates the base present in the respective Introduction. Intro1 refers to Introduction 1 within

L2.2.1, Intro5 to Introduction 5 within L4.3.4, Intro9 to Introduction 9 within L1.1.2, and

Intro10 to Introduction 10 within L3.1.1.