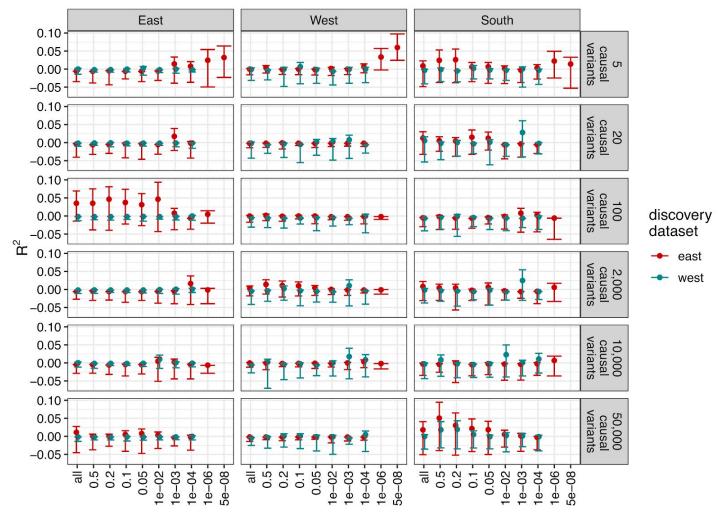


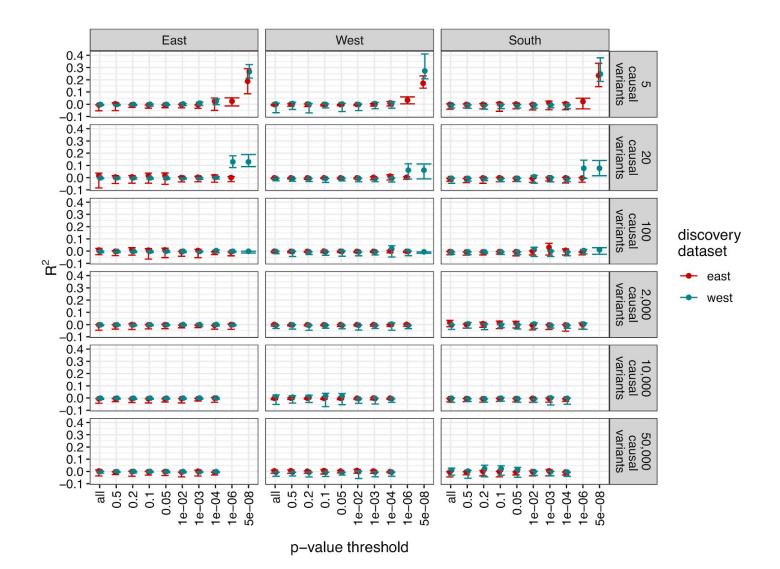
## **Supplementary Information**

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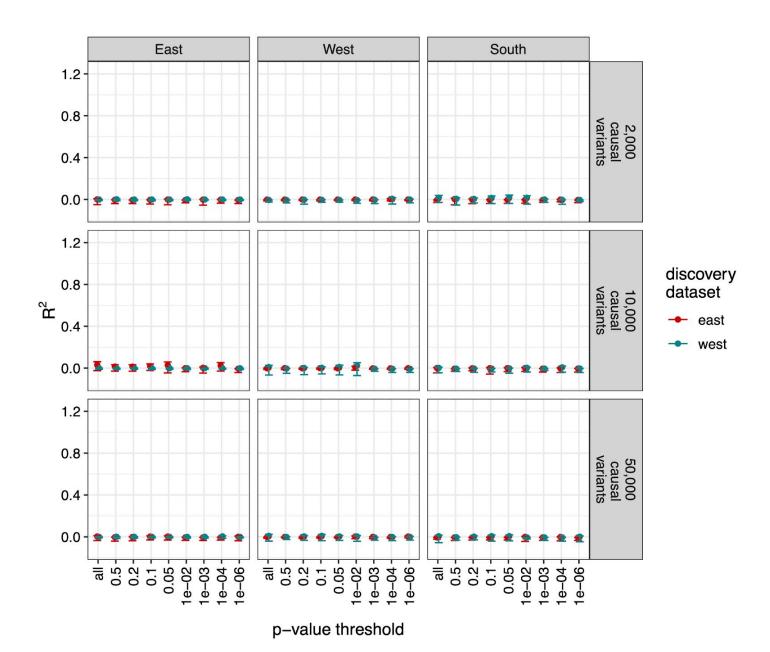


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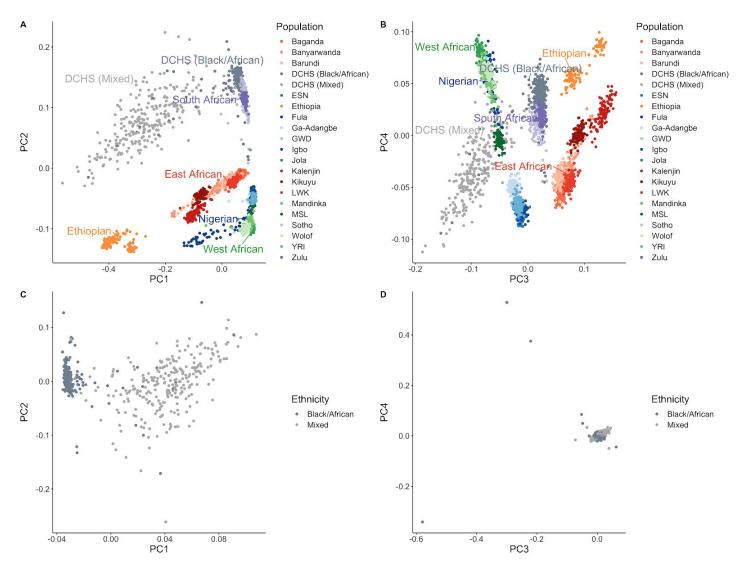
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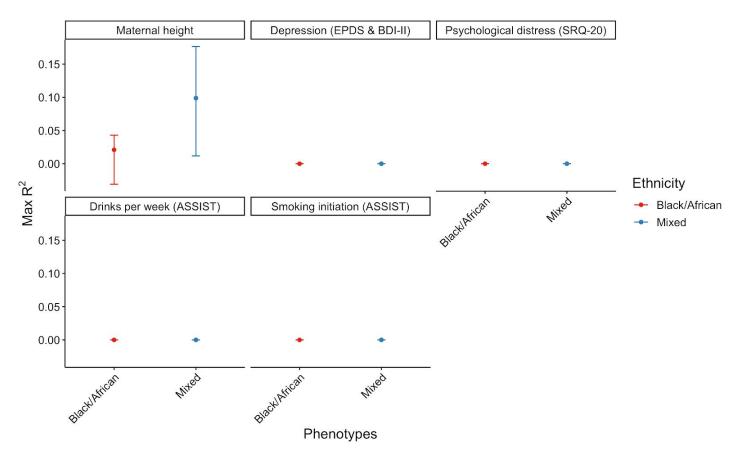
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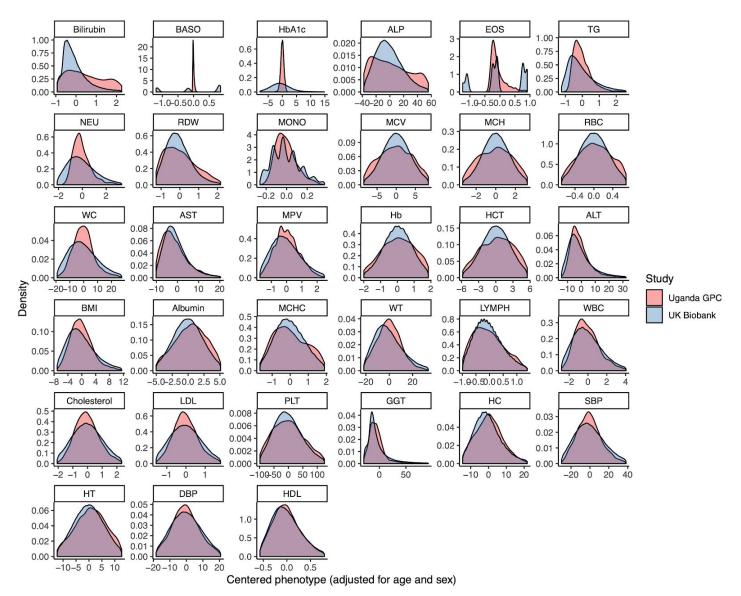
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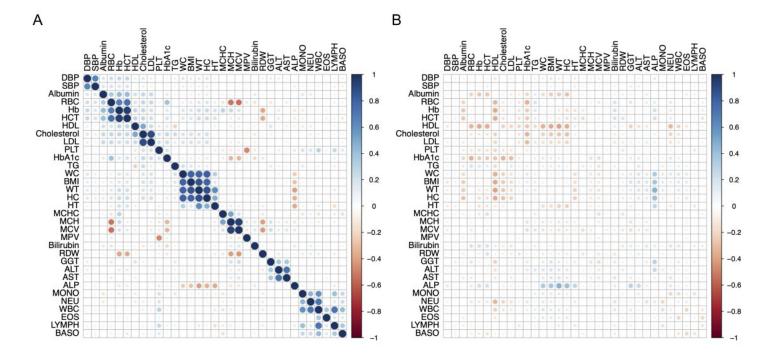
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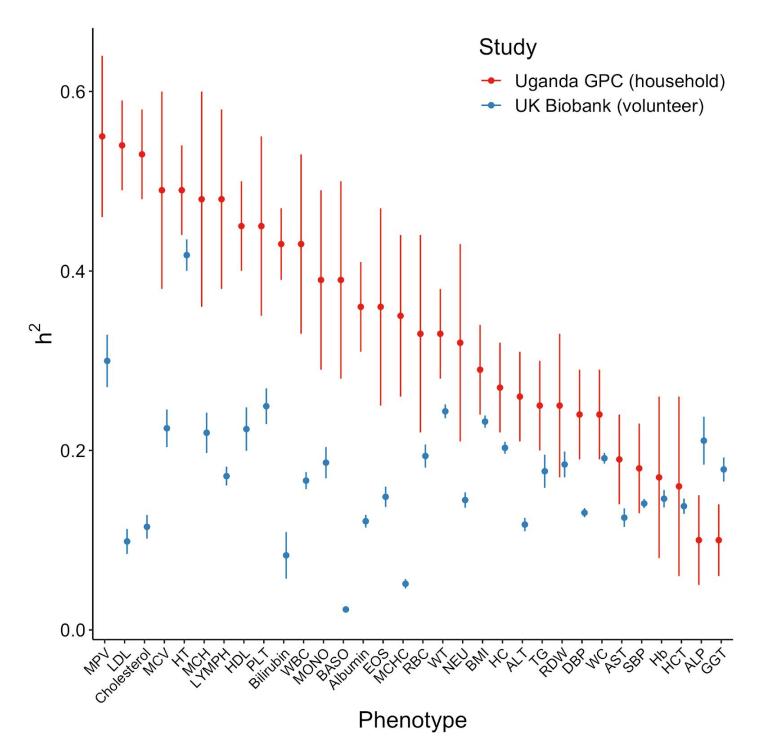
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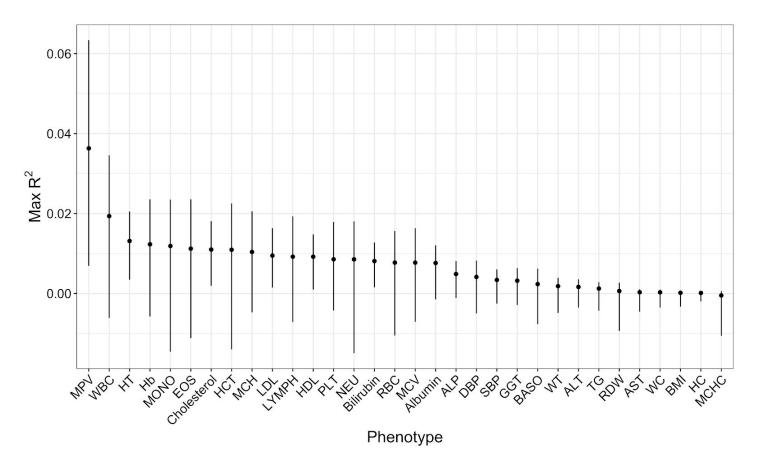
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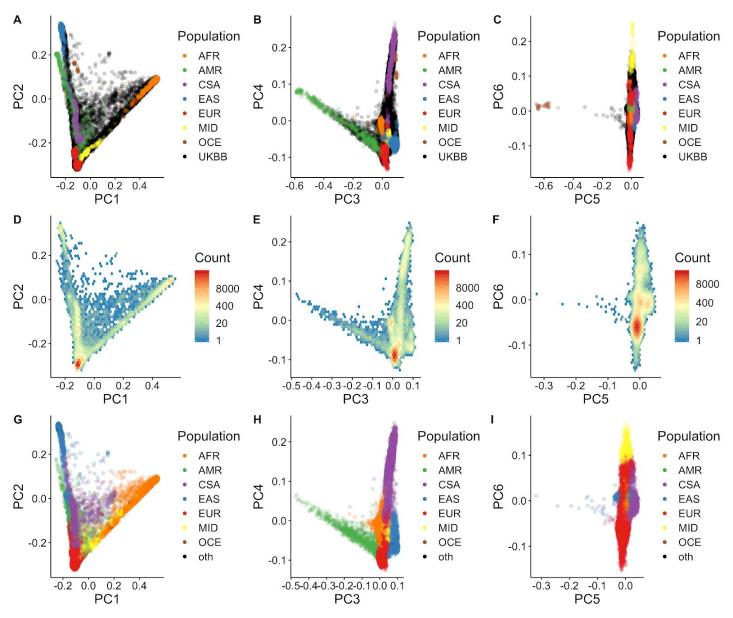
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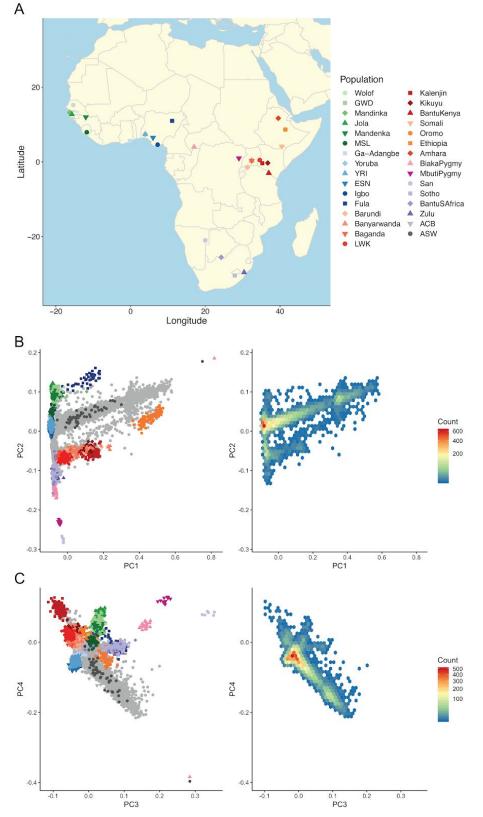
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Supplementary Figure 10 - PRS accuracy for 32 traits in unrelated Uganda APCDR individuals calculated using GWAS summary statistics from UK Biobank European ancestry individuals. The PRS from the p-value threshold with the highest accuracy of 10 thresholds computed is shown.

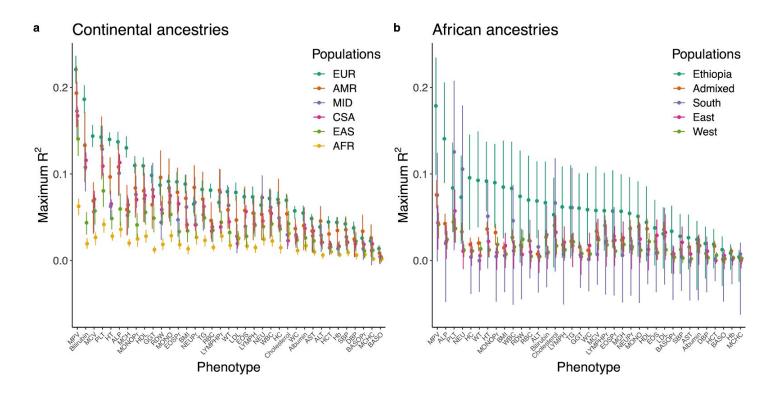


Supplementary Figure 11 - Continental ancestries in the UK Biobank data with reference data from the 1000 Genomes Project and Human Genome Diversity Panel (HGDP). A-C) Principal components analysis biplots (PCs 1-6) with loadings defined by reference data from 1000 Genomes and HGDP with colors corresponding to continental ancestry meta-data from these projects. UK Biobank data (UKBB) is projected into the same PC space and colored in black. D-F) Density of UK Biobank data (excluding reference panels) in PC1-6. G-I) Continental ancestry assignments in the UK Biobank using a random forest trained on meta-data from 1000 Genomes and HGDP (excluding reference panels). "Oth" are individuals whose ancestry was not confidently assigned to any ancestry group.

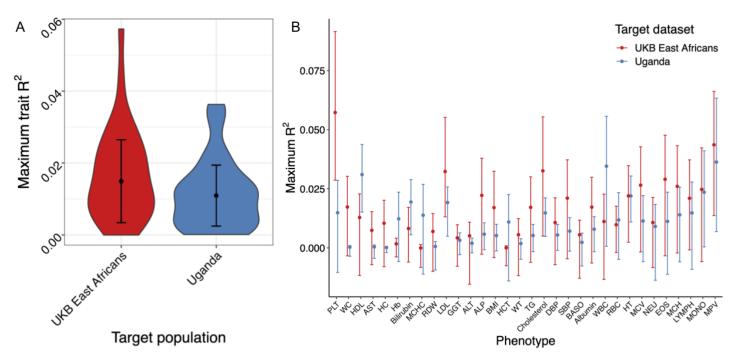


**Supplementary Figure 12 - African subcontinental ancestry in the UK Biobank**. A) Coordinates of African reference panel data from the African Genome Variation Project, 1000 Genomes Project, and Human Genome Diversity Panel. B) PC1-2 of UK Biobank and/or reference data. C) PC3-4 of UK Biobank and/or reference data.

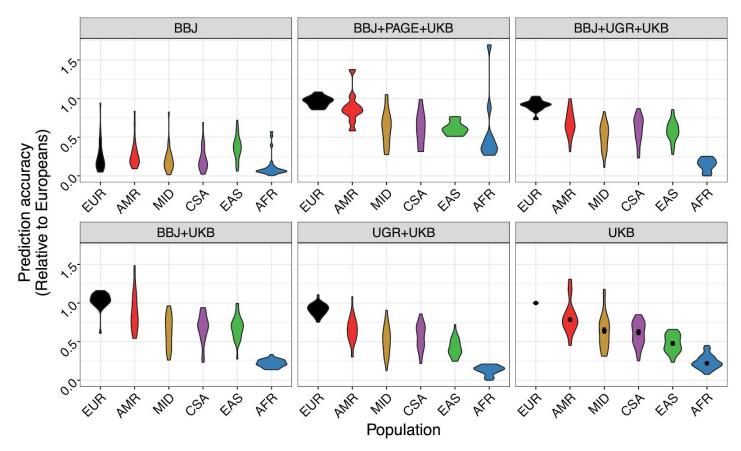
B-C) Colors and shapes correspond to A), while grey points in the left plots are UK Biobank projected PC coordinates. Right plots show density of African ancestry UK Biobank individuals.



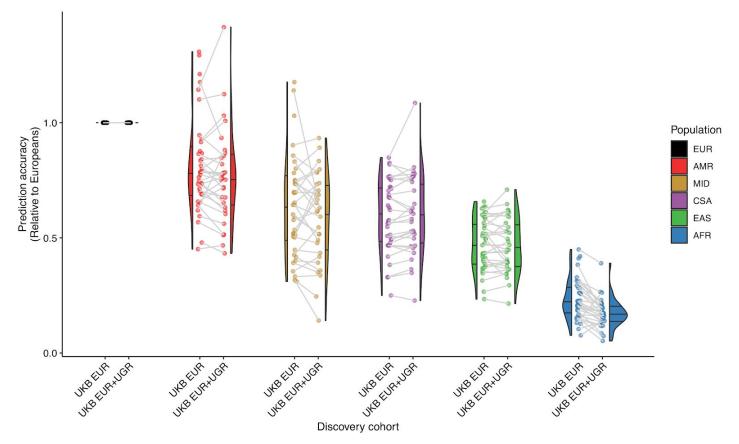
Supplementary Figure 13 - Relative polygenic prediction accuracy across traits in the UK Biobank in target individuals. Panels shown different A) continental ancestries, and B) African ancestries. All individuals in B) are from the "AFR" population in A). Only one PRS is shown from each trait, which includes the maximum  $R^2$  threshold.



Supplementary Figure 14 - Comparison of PRS accuracy for 32 traits across cohorts in individuals with East African ancestry. Includes unrelated participants in UK Biobank (N=728 with East African ancestry) versus Uganda GPC (N=2,247), using the same summary statistics from UK Biobank European ancestry individuals (N=351,194). A) Summary of accuracy distributions across 32 traits. B) PRS accuracy in each trait. Traits are ordered by absolute difference in prediction accuracy among cohorts despite similar ancestries.



Supplementary Figure 15 - Relative PRS accuracy using the same target individuals and varying discovery cohorts. All relative comparisons are with respect to accuracy in withheld EUR when predicting with UKB GWAS summary statistics.



Supplementary Figure 16 - Polygenic score accuracy in ancestrally diverse target populations from the UK Biobank versus meta-analysis combining UK Biobank with the Uganda Genome Resource (UGR) summary statistics.

## Tables

Supplementary Table 1 - Abbreviations used throughout this study.

Supplementary Table 2 - Overview of genetic and phenotypic data used throughout this study.

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Supplementary Table 4 - Uganda GPC phenotypes and corresponding GWAS discovery cohorts, including UKB, BBJ, and PAGE. Kolmogorov-Smirnov (K-S) and F-tests were used to compare overall distributions and variances, respectively. CI=confidence interval. 95% upper and lower CI bounds for the F-test are shown. K-S test statistics provided the ordering of panels in Figure S6.

## Supplementary Table 5 - Counts of UK Biobank individuals assigned to each ancestry group at the continental level globally as well as regional levels within continental African ancestry.

**Supplementary Table 6 - Meta-analysis discovery cohort summaries across phenotypes.** Number of individuals with genotype and phenotype data included in each GWAS discovery cohort analyzed. When constructing PRS from each meta-analysis combination for each phenotype, the fraction of individuals in the meta-analysis from each continental ancestry group was used to generate a weighted LD reference panel in the 1000 Genomes Project by matching with super population metadata. For this purpose, ancestry groups in GWAS were matched to 1000 Genomes super populations as follows: UKB was matched to EUR, BBJ was matched to EAS, UGR was matched to AFR, and PAGE was matched proportionally to AFR, AMR, and EAS by ancestry composition reported for each trait. For PAGE specifically, because the 1000 Genomes Project lacks Native American reference panels, Hispanic/Latino and Native American populations were summed and matched to 1000 Genomes for constructing LD reference panels.

Supplementary Table 7 - Population-enriched variants with outsized impacts on genetic prediction accuracy for traits. Lead SNPs come from associations that were genome-wide significant in both the meta-analysis and in UKB only (p < 5e-8). The top ten associated loci grouped by nearest gene were identified by modeling the linear relationship between -log10(p-values) in the meta-analysis versus UKB only, then filtering to only those variants above the 99% prediction interval (i.e. more significant in the meta-analysis than expected by a linear relationship), and then sorted by the difference in -log10(p-values) between the meta-analysis versus UKB alone.