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#### **Additional Methods**

## Expression quantitative trait loci (eQTL) analysis

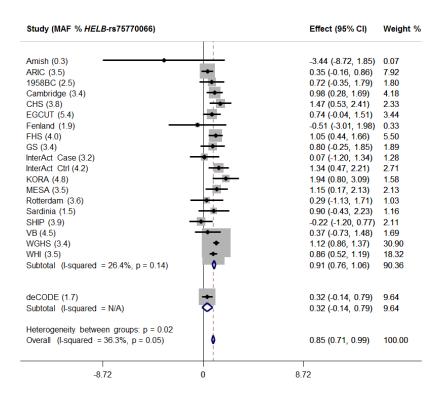
Blood cell related eQTL studies included fresh lymphocytes (17873875), fresh leukocytes (19966804), leukocyte samples in individuals with Celiac disease (19128478), whole blood samples (18344981, 21829388, 22692066, 23818875, 23359819, 23880221, 24013639, 23157493, 23715323, 24092820, 24314549, 24956270, 24592274, 24728292, 24740359), lymphoblastoid cell lines (LCL) derived from asthmatic children (17873877, 23345460), HapMap LCL from 3 populations (17873874), a separate study on HapMap CEU LCL (18193047), additional LCL population samples (19644074, 22286170, 22941192, 23755361, 23995691, 25010687), CD19+ B cells (22446964), primary PHA-stimulated T cells (19644074, 23755361), CD4+ T cells (20833654), peripheral blood monocytes (19222302,20502693,22446964) and CD14+ monocytes before and after stimulation with LPS or interferon-gamma (24604202), CD11+ dendritic cells before and after *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* infection (22233810) and a separate study of dendritic cells before or after stimulation with LPS, influenza or interferon-beta (24604203). Micro-RNA QTLs (21691150) and DNase-I QTLs (22307276) were also queried for LCL.

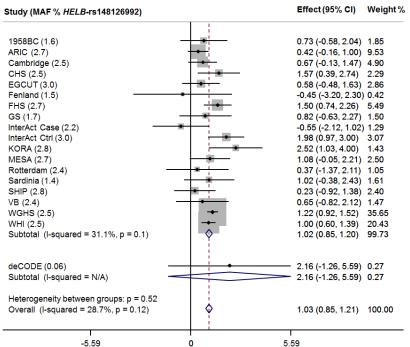
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Brain eQTL studies included brain cortex (19222302, 19361613, 22685416), cerebellar cortex (25174004), cerebellum (20485568, 22685416, 22212596, 22832957, 23622250), frontal cortex (20485568, 22832957, 25174004), gliomas (24607568), hippocampus (22832957, 25174004), inferior olivary nucleus (from medulla) (25174004), intralobular white matter (25174004), occiptal cortex (25174004), parietal lobe (22212596), pons (20485568), pre-frontal cortex (22031444, 20351726, 22832957, 23622250), putamen (at the level of anterior commussure) (25174004), substantia nigra (25174004), temporal cortex (20485568, 22685416, 22832957, 25174004), thalamus (22832957) and visual cortex (23622250).

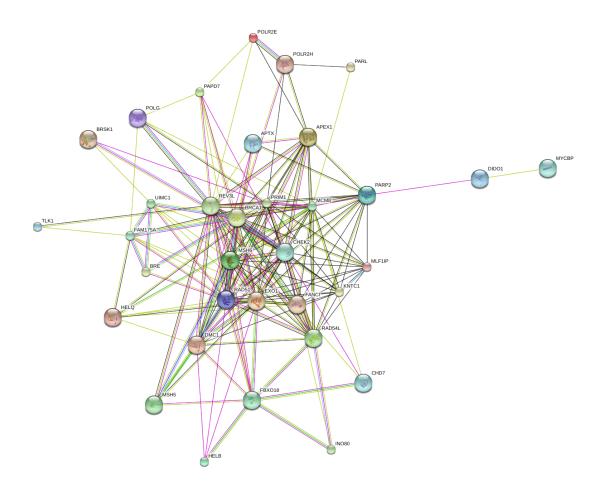
Additional eQTL data was integrated from online sources including ScanDB, the Broad Institute GTex browser, and the Pritchard Lab (eqtl.uchicago.edu). Cerebellum, parietal lobe and liver eQTL data was downloaded from ScanDB and cis-eQTLs were limited to those with P < 1.0E-6 and trans-eQTLs with P < 5.0E-8. The top 1000 eQTL results were downloaded from the GTex Browser at the Broad Institute for 9 tissues on 11/26/2013: thyroid, leg skin (sun exposed), tibial nerve, tibial artery, skeletal muscle, lung, heart (left ventricle), whole blood, and subcutaneous adipose (23715323). All GTex results had associations with P < 8.4E-07.

# **Supplementary Figures**

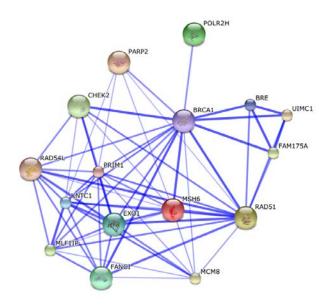




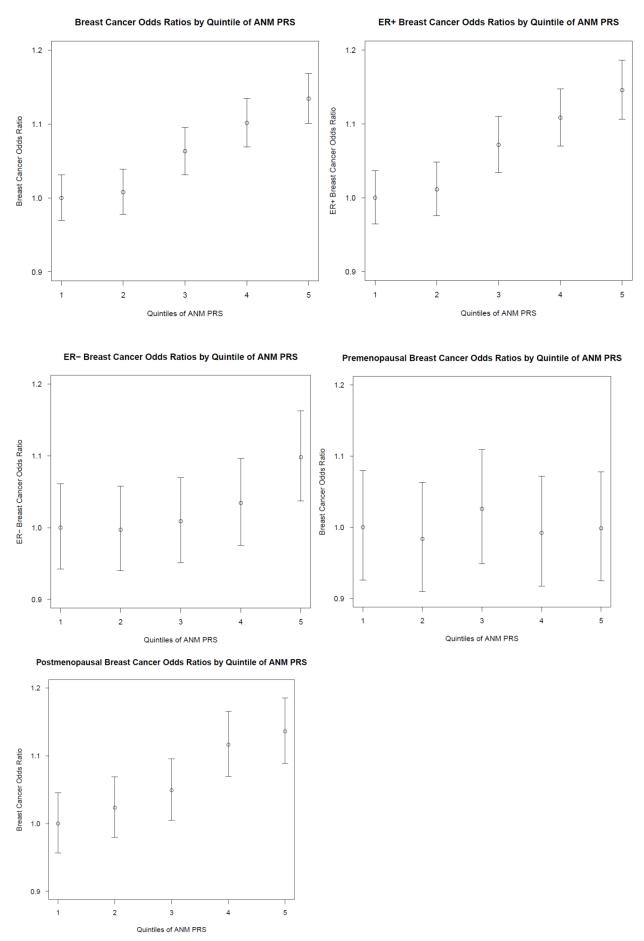
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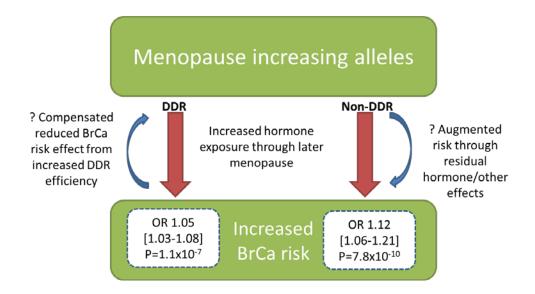
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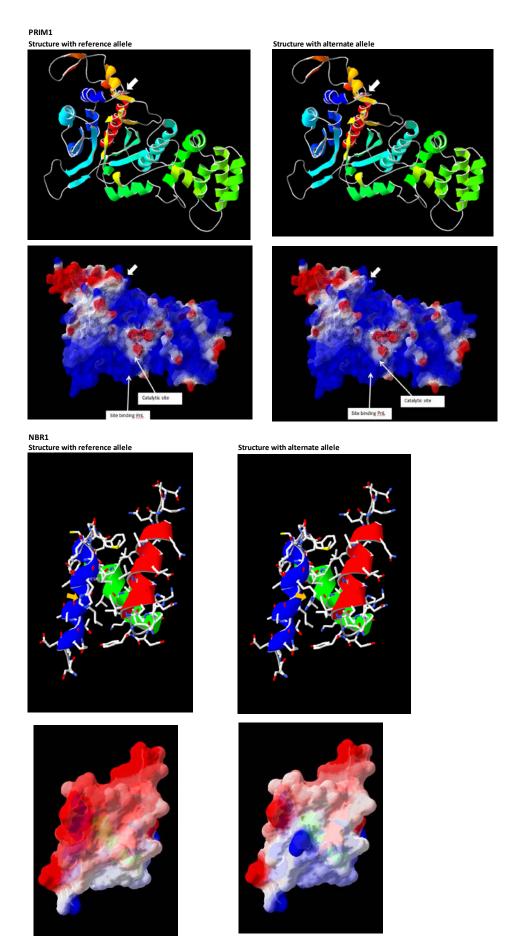
**Supplementary Figure 2** STRING analysis of genes highlighted from GWAS. (a) Connections for 34 genes highlighted as being involved in DDR at loci associated with age at menopause. (b) Genes that are directly linked to *BRCA1* from the list of highlighted genes in **Table 1**. Weight of connecting line indicates the strength of the evidence for the connection.



**Supplementary Figure 3** Breast cancer ORs by quintile of ANM polygenic risk score (PRS) (quintiles defined in BC controls). The CIs are floating confidence intervals<sup>60</sup>.



**Supplementary Figure 4** Proposed mechanism of effect of SNPs on breast cancer risk.



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