

Substantial Enhancer Activity Of Non-coding Regions in *ABCG2* (Breast Cancer Resistance Protein, BCRP)

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Genetic Variants in *ABCG2* are Associated with Variation in Drug Response





Figures adopted from Giacomini et al

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Variants of ABCG2 are Associated with Reduced Allopurinol Response



Intronic SNPs Identified in GWAS Act Independently of BCRP Q141K



Top intronic SNPs are not in linkage disequilibrium with *BCRP* Q141K

Wen C, et al. Clin Pharmacol Ther. 2015; 97(5): 518-25.

Goals of Study

1. Are the intronic SNPs identified from GWAS located in the known regulatory region of *ABCG2*?

2. What impact do these intronic SNPs have on enhancer activity in vitro?



5 SNPs Selected for Functional Validation

SNPs selected for Functional Validation	
TRANSFAC	rs45499402 (4:88122482), rs2622627 (4:88144201)
Other Predictive Tools	rs3114020 (4:88162514), rs2622624 (4:88148254), rs4148162 (4:88159564)





Intronic Regions Promoted Luciferase Activity in Liver Cells



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Each bar represents mean of 6 data points



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Conclusion

- The tested intronic regions in ABCG2 had regulatory activity
- 1 intronic SNP drastically increased enhancer activity
- Intronic SNPs may act independently of Q141K to modulate *ABCG2*
- Precision medicine Identification of these SNPs will inform future genotype assays that predict drug response



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