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CHAPTER 2

Figure 1. Scoring form for glomerular lesions, extraglomerular lesions and other features.

RPS DN Working Group score sheet

Case Number
Pathologist
Date
Stainings evaluated

EM Avg GBM size (nm)

A. Glomerular lesions	Tally mark	no.
Total # of evaluated glomeruli		
Normal glomeruli		
Global glomerulosclerosis		
Nodular lesions		

Mesangial expansion	
Mild	
Severe	

↓

Classify into glomerular class:		?
Name	#	Criteria
EM proven DN	I	GBM > 395 nm (female), > 430 (male)
Mild Mesangial Expansion	II A	Mild mesangial expansion in >25%
Severe Mesangial Expansion	II B	Severe mesangial expansion in >25%
Nodular Sclerosis	III	At least one convincing nodular lesion
Glomerulosclerosis with signs of DN	IV	Global glomerular sclerosis in >50% of glomeruli in proven DN

EM, electronmicroscopy; TA, tubular atrophy; IF, interstitial fibrosis

B. Extraglomerular Lesions		Circle score
Tubular atrophy (%)	< 25 % tubular atrophy	0
	25-50 % tubular atrophy	1
	>50 % tubular atrophy	2
Interstitial fibrosis (%)	< 25 % interstitial fibrosis	0
	25-50 % interstitial fibrosis	1
	>50 % interstitial fibrosis	2
Interstitial inflammation	absent	0
	Infiltration only in relation to IF or TA	1
	Infiltration in areas without IF or TA	2
Large vessels present?		Y / N
Arteriosclerosis (score worst artery)	No intimal thickening	0
	intima thickened and < thickness of media	1
	intima thickened and > thickness of media	2
Arteriolar hyalinosis	absent	0
	at least one case of arteriolar hyalinosis	1
	>1 case of arteriolar hyalinosis	2
C. Other features		
Capsular drop		present / absent
Fibrin cap		present / absent



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ESM Table 2 Details of the articles which were included in this meta-analysis study

Variants	Article	Cases	Definitions Controls	Cases of DN or controls (n)			Study details		OR ^a Allele level
				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
ACE rs179975	Ahluwalia et al., 2009 (1)	EDN ^b +ADN ^c	Normoalb ^d ≥10 years of diabetes	240		255	Case-control	India	2 1.57 (1.21–2.04)
	Araz et al., 2001 (2)	EDN	Normoalb	62		123	Case-control	Turkey	2 1.00 (0.64–1.54)
	Arfa et al., 2008 (3)	EDN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	54		51	Case-control	Tunisia	2 1.24 (0.70–2.21)
	Canani et al., 2005 (4)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	203		609	Case-control	Brazil	2 1.22 (0.97–1.53)
	Chowdhury et al., 1996 (5)	EDN	Normo-/microalb ^e >15 years of diabetes (no proteinuria)	242		166	Case-control	UK	1 1.04 (0.78–1.38)
	Demurov et al., 1997 (6)	EDN	Normoalb (diabetes without complications)	56		76	Case-control	Russia	1 1.98 (1.19–3.30)
	Doi et al., 1996 (7)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb >10 years of diabetes	100		124	Case-control	Japan	2 1.55 (1.05–2.28)
	Fradin et al., 2002 (8)	EDN	Normoalb	39		118	Case-control	France	2 0.86 (0.51–1.44)
	Gohda et al., 2001 (9)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	416	289	127	Case-control	Japan	2 1.09 (0.86–1.39)
	Grzeszczak et al., 1998 (10)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	127		254	Case-control	Poland	2 0.91 (0.67–1.23)
	Guitterez et al., 1997 (11)	EDN	Normoalb	20		100	Case-control	Spain	2 1.27 (0.62–2.62)
	Ha et al., 2003 (12)	ADN	Stable kidney function >15 years	140		99	Follow-up	Korea	2 1.84 (1.27–2.66)
	Hadjadj et al., 2001 (13)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥3 years of diabetes	24	18	6	Case-control	France	1 0.84 (0.46–1.52)
	Hadjadj et al., 2007 (14)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	380		382	Case-control	Denmark	1 1.04 (0.85–1.27)

Variants	Article	Definitions		Cases of DN or controls (n)			Study details		OR ^a
		Cases	Controls	Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	385	468		Case-control	Finland	1 1.09 (0.90–1.32)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	277	273		Case-control	France	1 1.45 (1.14–1.84)
	Hibberd et al., 1997 (15)	EDN+Ret ^d	Normoalb ≥20 years of diabetes	72	86		Case-control	UK	1 0.69 (0.44–1.10)
	Kimura et al., 1998 (16)	EDN+ADN+Ret	Normo-/microalb >15 years of diabetes	98	110		Case-control	Japan	2 0.96 (0.65–1.43)
	Marre et al., 1997 (17)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	233	126	107	Case-control	France	1 1.41 (1.06–1.88)
	Miura et al., 1999 (18)	EDN	Normoalb >10 years of diabetes	32	103		Case-control	Japan	1 0.98 (0.55–1.76)
	Mollsten et al., 2008 (19)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥20 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	48	197		Case-control	Sweden	1 0.81 (0.52–1.27)
	Nakajima et al., 1996 (20)	EDN+Ret	Normoalb	54	41		Case-control	Japan	2 1.25 (0.68–2.28)
	Naresh et al., 2009 (21)	EDN+Ret	No nephropathy	30	30		Case-control	India	2 3.02 (1.43–6.38)
	Ng et al., 2006 (22)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb; 6 years of diabetes	291	167		Case-control	USA	2 1.10 (0.84–1.45)
	Nikzamid et al., 2009 (23)	EDN	Normoalb	48	145		Case-control	Iran	2 4.33 (2.54–7.41)
	Ohno et al., 1996 (24)	EDN	Normoalb	25	53		Case-control	Japan	2 2.55 (1.24–5.21)
	Ortega-Pierres et al., 2007 (25)	EDN	Normoalb	45	116		Case-control	Mexico	2 3.20 (1.89–5.43)
	Park et al., 2005 (26)	ADN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	103	88		Case-control	Korea	2 1.71 (1.13–2.57)
	Prasad et al., 2006 (27)	ADN+Ret	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	196	225		Case-control	India	2 1.36 (1.03–1.79)
	Shestakova et al., 2006 (28)	EDN	Normoalb >20 years of diabetes	63	66		Case-control	Russia	1 1.36 (0.83–2.22)
	Shin Shin et al., 2004 (29)	EDN	Normoalb	82	50		Case-control	Korea	2 0.68 (0.41–1.11)
	So et al., 2006 (30)	EDN	Normoalb	421	1225		Case-control	Hong Kong	2 0.97 (0.82–1.14)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
AKR1B1 rs759853	Taniwaki et al., 2001 (31)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	42	22	20	Case-control	Japan	2 1.03 (0.59–1.81)
	Tarnow et al., 1995 (32)	EDN+Ret	Normoalb	198			Case-control	Denmark	1 1.01 (0.76–1.34)
	Thomas et al., 2001 (33)	EDN	Normoalb	51			Case-control	China (Han)	2 0.88 (0.55–1.40)
	Tomino et al., 1999 (34)	EDN	Normoalb >10 years of diabetes	414			Case-control	Japan	2 0.96 (0.79–1.18)
	van Iltersum et al., 2000 (35)	EDN	Normoalb	30			Case-control	Netherlands	1 0.85 (0.49–1.48)
	Viswanathan et al., 2001 (36)	EDN	Normoalb+no Ret	86			Case-control	USA	2 1.83 (0.94–3.56)
	Vleming et al., 1998 (37)	EDN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	96			Case-control	Netherlands	1 1.41 (0.97–2.05)
	Vleming et al., 1999 (38)	ADN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	79			Case-control	Netherlands	1 *
	Wu et al., 2000 (39)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	27			Case-control	China	2 2.60 (1.27–5.32)
	Yoshida et al., 1996 (40)	ADN	Normoalb	72			Case-control	Japan	2 1.76 (1.06–2.91)
	Young et al., 1998 (41)	EDN	Normoalb	20			Case-control	China (Han)	2 0.96 (0.44–2.09)
	Fanelli et al., 2002 (42)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	231	126	105	Case-control	France	1 0.90 (0.67–1.21)
	Gosek et al., 2005 (43)	EDN	Normoalb	129			Case-control	Poland	2 0.96 (0.68–1.34)
CA-repeat	Moczulski et al., 2000 (44)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	221			Case-control	USA	1 1.43 (1.07–1.90)
	Neamatallah et al., 2001 (45)	EDN	Normoalb	85			Case-control	England	2 1.56 (1.07–2.29)
		EDN	Normoalb >10 years of diabetes	181			Case-control	USA (Pima Indians)	2 1.42 (0.95–2.11)
		EDN	Normoalb >20 years of diabetes	107			Case-control	Ireland	1 2.47 (1.61–3.79)
		EDN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	77			Case-control	England	1 2.15 (1.37–3.37)
	Sivenius et al., 2004 (46)	EDN	Normoalb	4			Case-control	Finland	2 2.05 (0.39–10.93)
	So et al., 2008 (47)	ADN	Stable kidney function (8 years follow-up)	208			Follow-up	China	2 1.25 (0.97–1.61)
	Chistyakov et al., 1997 (48)	EDN	Normoalb >20 years of diabetes	10			Case-control	Russia	1 1.05 (0.28–3.93)
	Dyer et al., 1999 (49)	EDN	Normo-/microalb (long-term)	211			Case-control	UK	1 0.93 (0.67–1.28)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Controls	Design	Country	TD	Allele level
	Fanelli et al., 2002 (42)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	231	126	105	157	Case-control	France	1	1.04 (0.77–1.40)
	Heesom et al., 1997 (50)	EDN	Normoalb 20 years of diabetes (without complications)	75			43	Case-control	UK	1	1.91 (1.02–3.59)
	Ichikawa et al., 1999 (51)	EDN	Normoalb (no nephropathy)	26			46	Case-control	Japan	2	0.84 (0.40–1.79)
	Lajer et al., 2004 (52)	EDN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	431			468	Case-control	Denmark	1	1.11 (0.92–1.35)
	Liu et al., 2002 (53)	EDN	Normoalb	52			128	Case-control	China	2	1.41 (0.80–2.46)
	Maeda et al., 1999 (54)	EDN	Normoalb	63			123	Case-control	Japan	2	0.68 (0.40–1.14)
	Moczulski et al., 2000 (44)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (without antihypertensiva)	221			193	Case-control	USA	1	0.95 (0.63–1.44)
	Moczulski et al., 1999 (55)	EDN	Normoalb	70			179	Case-control	Poland	2	1.52 (1.13–2.03)
	Neamatallah et al., 2001(45)	EDN	Normoalb	81			137	Case-control	England	2	1.06 (0.71–1.58)
		EDN	Normoalb >10 years of diabetes	174			141	Case-control	USA (Pima Indian)	2	1.25 (0.87–1.79)
		EDN	Normoalb >20 years of diabetes	101			110	Case-control	Ireland	1	0.94 (0.63–1.39)
		EDN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	67			78	Case-control	England	1	0.83 (0.51–1.35)
	Ng et al., 2001 (56)	EDN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes (without complications)	15			49	Case-control	Australia	1	1.19 (0.48–2.92)
	Park et al., 2002 (57)	EDN+Ret	Normoalb >10 years of diabetes (without complications)	48			38	Case-control	Korea	2	1.43 (0.73–2.80)
	So et al., 2008 (47)	ADN	Stable kidney function (8 years follow-up)	208			866	Follow-up	China	2	1.39 (1.09–1.77)
	Yamamoto et al., 2003 (58)	EDN	Normoalb	19			67	Case-control	Japan	1	1.08 (0.40–2.90)
	Zhao et al., 2004 (59)	autopsy proven DN	Normal biopsy	135			51	Case-control	China	2	0.96 (0.59–1.58)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
APOC1 rs4420638	McKnight et al., 2009 (60)	EDN+Ret	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes (without complications, without anti-hypertensiva)	590		494	Case-control	UK	1 1.53 (1.23-1.90)
		EDN+Ret	Normoalb 15 years (without complications, without anti-hypertensiva)	267		441	Case-control	Ireland	1 1.56 (1.18-2.07)
	Araki et al., 2000 (61)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	223		196	Case-control	USA	1 3.74 (2.06-6.79)
		EDN	Normo-/microalb (>50 years of diabetes)	252		197	Case-control	UK	1 3.05 (1.22-7.62)
APOE E2, E3, E4	Chowdhury et al., 1998 (62)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	100	43	135	Case-control	Japan	2 3.08 (1.30-7.30)
		EDN	Normoalb (normal renal function)	74		93	Case-control	Korea	2 1.20 (0.62-2.30)
	Horita et al., 1994 (66)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb (normal renal function)	114		77	Case-control	France	1 3.29 (1.57-6.89)
		ADN	Normoalb	57		398	Case-control	Japan	2 0.83 (0.31-2.22)
	Kimura et al., 1998 (67)	ADN	Normoalb	81		97	Case-control	Japan	2 0.51 (0.03-8.36)
		ADN	Normoalb (without complications)	56		29	Case-control	Chili	2 3.03 (1.60-5.73)
CCR5 rs1799987	Onuma et al., 1996 (69)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb >10 years of diabetes	41		74	Case-control	USA	1 0.76 (0.28-2.05)
		EDN+no Ret	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	197		192	Case-control	Denmark	1 1.25 (0.76-2.05)
	Tarnow et al., 2000 (70)	EDN	Normo-/microalb ≥20 years of diabetes	62		68	Case-control	Russia	1 0.66 (0.33-1.30)
		EDN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	240		255	Case-control	North India	2 0.46 (0.35-0.59)
	Ahluwalia et al., 2009 (72)	EDN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	96		92	Case-control	South India	2 0.46 (0.30-0.70)
		EDN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes				Case-control	South India	2 0.46 (0.30-0.70)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
CNDP1 D18S880	Mlynarski et al., 2005 (73)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (without antihypertensiva)	496	298		Case-control	USA	1 1.19 (0.97–1.46)
	Nakajima et al., 2003 (74)	EDN	Normoalb	95	355		Case-control	Japan	2 0.85 (0.61–1.17)
	Pettigrew et al., 2010 (75)	EDN+Ret	Normoalb 15 years (without complications, without anti-hypertensiva)	263	437		Case-control	Ireland	1 0.98 (0.79–1.22)
	Prasad et al., 2007 (76)	ADN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	196	205		Case-control	India	2 0.61 (0.46–0.80)
	Tregouet et al., 2008 (77)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without antihypertensiva)	489	463		Case-control	Denmark	1 1.00 (0.83–1.20)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without antihypertensiva)	387	391		Case-control	France	1 1.00 (0.83–1.21)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without antihypertensiva)	300	469		Case-control	Finland	1 1.00 (0.81–1.24)
	Freedman et al., 2007 (78)	ADN	No nephropathy	165	258		Case-control	USA	2 0.77 (0.58–1.01)
	Janssen et al., 2005 (79)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without antihypertensiva)	114	71		Case-control	Germany	2 0.78 (0.52–1.17)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without antihypertensiva)	21	36		Case-control	Germany	1 0.37 (0.17–0.81)
	Mooyaart et al., 2010 (80)	ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years	65	93		Case-control	Netherlands/ Germany	2 **
	Tregouet et al., 2008 (77)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without antihypertensiva)	489	463		Case-control	Denmark	1 0.94 (0.82–1.07)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without antihypertensiva)	387	391		Case-control	France	1 1.01 (0.84–1.21)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
<i>ELMO1</i> rs741301	Wanic et al., 2008 (81)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	300	469		Case-control	Finland	1 0.99 (0.82–1.20)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	656	445	221	Case-control	USA	1 1.03 (0.83–1.28)
	Shimazaki et al., 2005 (82)	EDN+ADN+Ret	Normoalb	87	92		Case-control	Japan	2 1.84 (1.18–2.86)
		EDN+ADN+Ret	Normoalb	459	242		Case-control	Japan	2 1.51 (1.19–1.91)
	Pezzolesi et al., 2009 (83)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	820	885		Case-control	USA	1 0.88 (0.76–1.01)
<i>EPO</i> rs1617640	Tong et al., 2008 (84)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without nephropathy or Ret)	374	239		Case-control	USA	2 0.69 (0.55–0.87)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without nephropathy or Ret)	865	574		Case-control	USA	1 0.65 (0.56–0.76)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without nephropathy or Ret)	379	141		Case-control	USA	1 0.72 (0.55–0.95)
<i>GLUT1</i> rs841853	Grzeszczak et al., 2001 (85)	EDN	Normoalb	132	162		Case-control	Poland	2 1.82 (1.13–2.93)
		EDN	Normoalb	20	100		Case-control	Spain	2 0.57 (0.20–1.60)
		EDN	No complications ≥20 years of diabetes	101	56		Case-control	UK	1 1.17 (0.73–1.86)
	Liu et al., 1999 (88)	EDN	No nephropathy	64	45		Case-control	China (Han)	2 0.52 (0.29–0.93)
		EDN	Normoalbuminuria >10 years of diabetes	126	273		Case-control	Tunisia	2 1.05 (0.62–1.79)
	Ng et al., 2002 (90)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	249	207		Case-control	USA	1 0.81 (0.56–1.17)
		EDN	Normoalb	175	192		Case-control	Denmark	1 0.73 (0.48–1.10)
	Tarnow et al., 2001 (91)	EDN	Normoalb				Case-control	Denmark	1 0.73 (0.48–1.10)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
rs10868025	Pezzolezi et al., 2009 (97)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	379 ^g		413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1 1.23 (0.96–1.58)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensiva)	441 ^h		472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1 1.52 (1.26–1.83)
		EDN+ADN	Normo-/microalb (diabetes 16–22 years)	132		1172	Follow-up		1.35 (1.10–1.66)
CARS									
rs451041	Pezzolezi et al., 2009 (97)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensiva)	379 ^g		413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1 1.32 (1.03–1.69)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensiva)	441 ^h		472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1 1.38 (1.15–1.66)
		EDN+ADN	Normo-/microalb (diabetes 16–22 years)	132		1172	Follow-up		1.38 (1.13–1.69)
rs739401	Pezzolezi et al., 2009 (97)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensiva)	379 ^g		413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1 1.38 (1.13–1.68)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensiva)	441 ^h		472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1 1.27 (1.06–1.53)
ACACB									
rs2268388	Maeda et al., 2010 (98)	EDN+Ret ADN+Ret	Normoalb Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (Ret)	737 177		552 196	Case-control Case-control	Japan Korea	2 1.61 (1.33–1.96) 2 0.83 (0.59–1.17)
		EDN	Normoalb >7 years of diabetes	199		212	Case-control	Singapore (Han)	2 1.07 (0.78–1.48)
		EDN	Normoalb	428		425	Case-control	Denmark	1 0.99 (0.76–1.29)
		EDN+Ret	Normoalb >5 years of diabetes	473		415	Case-control	USA	2 1.61 (1.22–2.12)

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ADIPOQ									
rs17300539	Jorsal et al., 2008 (99)	EDN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	438		440	Case-control	Denmark	1 1.46 (1.03–2.08)
	Prior et al., 2008 (100)	EDN+Ret	Normoalb ≥50 years of diabetes	98		99	Case-control	UK	1 2.19 (1.16–4.12)
	Zhang et al., 2009 (101)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	578		599	Case-control	USA	1 1.02 (0.78–1.33)
HP									
Hp 1/2	Awadallah et al., 2008 (102)	EDN	Normoalb	37		89	Case-control	Jordan	2 1.47 (0.82–2.62)
	Bessa et al., 2007 (103)	EDN	Normoalb	20		20	Case-control	Egypt	2 0.24 (0.09–0.63)
	Conway et al., 2007 (104)	EDN+Ret	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensive)	224		285	Case-control	Ireland	1 0.74 (0.57–0.96)
	Costacou et al., 2009 (105)	EDN	Normoalb	62		163	Case-control	USA	1 0.89 (0.58–1.38)
	Moczulski et al., 2001 (106)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	312		290	Case-control	USA	1 1.00 (0.80–1.26)
	Nakhoul et al., 2001 (107)	EDN	Normoalb	5		43	Case-control	Israel	1 0.11 (0.01–0.92)
		EDN	Normoalb	10		38	Case-control	Israel	2 0.31 (0.07–1.46)
	Wobeto et al., 2009 (108)	EDN	Normoalb	48		128	Case-control	Brazil	1, 2 0.96 (0.60–1.55)
PVT 1									
rs11993333	Hanson et al., 2007 (109)	ADN	Normoalb (>10 years of diabetes)	102		103	Case-control	USA (Pima Indians)	2 0.48 (0.31–0.74)
	Millis et al., 2007 (110)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	526		558	Case-control	USA	1 0.82 (0.69–0.97)
CPVL/CHN2									
rs39059	Pezzolezi et al., 2009 (97)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensive)	379 ^g		413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1 0.70 (0.57–0.87)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensive)	441 ^h		472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1 0.77 (0.64–0.93)
rs39075	Pezzolezi et al., 2009 (97)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensive)	379 ^g		413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1 1.18 (0.93–1.50)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
AGT rs699		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years (without anti-hypertensiva)	441 ^h		472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1 0.75 (0.63–0.90)
		EDN+ADN	Normo-/microalb (diabetes 16–22 years)	132		1172	Follow-up	USA	1 0.68 (0.55–0.84)
	Ahluwalia et al., 2009 (1)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	240		255	Case-control	India	2 2.44 (1.89–3.16)
	Chowdhury et al., 1996 (5)	EDN+Ret	Normo-/microalb ≥20 years of diabetes	242		139	Case-control	UK	1 0.76 (0.38–1.51)
	Doria et al., 1996 (111)	EDN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	100		100	Case-control	USA	1 0.66 (0.31–1.38)
	Fogarty et al., 1996 (112)	EDN	Normoalb >20 years diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	95		100	Case-control	Ireland	1 0.81 (0.66–0.99)
		EDN	Normoalb	39		118	Case-control	France	2 1.08 (0.82–1.41)
	Freire et al., 1998 (113)	EDN	Normoalb; 10 years of diabetes	115		118	Case-control	USA	2 0.86 (0.49–1.50)
		EDN	Normoalb	20		100	Case-control	Spain	2 1.04 (0.84–1.28)
	Guitterez et al., 1997 (11)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	233	126	107	Case-control	France	1 2.71 (0.88–8.36)
	Marre et al., 1997 (17)	EDN	Normoalb >10 years of diabetes	32		103	Case-control	Japan	1 1.24 (0.92–1.69)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥20 years	48		197	Case-control	Sweden	1 1.37 (0.92–2.05)
	Ohno et al., 1996 (24)	EDN	Normoalb	25		53	Case-control	Japan	2 1.21 (0.80–1.83)
	Osawa et al., 2007 (114)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb+Ret	735		551	Case-control	Japan	2 1.05 (0.63–1.77)
	Prasad et al., 2006 (27)	ADN+Ret	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	196		225	Case-control	India	2 1.20 (0.83–1.75)
	Tarnow et al., 1996 (115)	EDN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	195		185	Case-control	Denmark	1 1.15 (0.86–1.53)
		EDN	Normoalb	51		255	Case-control	China (Han)	2 0.69 (0.44–1.10)
	Tregouet et al., 2008 (77)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	489		463	Case-control	Denmark	1 1.06 (0.88–1.27)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
AGTR1 rs5186		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	387		391	Case-control	France	1 0.87 (0.72–1.06)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	300		469	Case-control	Finland	1 1.22 (0.99–1.51)
	van Iltersum et al., 2000 (35)	EDN	Normoalb	30		188	Case-control	Netherlands	1 0.98 (0.73–1.32)
	Young et al., 1998 (41)	EDN	Normoalb	20		54	Case-control	China (Han)	2 1.61 (0.93–2.79)
	Zychma et al., 2000 (116)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	127		243	Case-control	Poland	2 0.90 (0.67–1.22)
	Ahluwalia et al., 2009 (1)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	240		255	Case-control	India	2 0.68 (0.51–0.89)
	Chistyakov et al., 1999 (117)	EDN	Normo-/microalb ≥20 years of diabetes and no macroalbuminuria	27		41	Case-control	Russia	1 0.82 (0.38–1.76)
	Chowdhury et al., 1997 (118)	EDN+Ret	Normo-/microalb ≥20 years of diabetes	264		136	Case-control	UK	1 0.88 (0.64–1.22)
	Fradin et al., 2002 (8)	EDN	Normoalb	39		118	Case-control	France	2 1.78 (0.92–3.45)
	Mollsten et al., 2008 (19)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥20 years of diabetes	48		197	Case-control	Sweden	1 1.14 (0.83–1.56)
	Marre et al., 1997 (17)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	233	126	157	Case-control	France	1 1.55 (0.89–2.72)
	Osawa et al., 2007 (114)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb+Ret	735		551	Case-control	Japan	2 0.87 (0.65–1.16)
	Savage et al., 1999 (119)	EDN	Normoalb >20 years of diabetes	95		97	Case-control	UK	1 1.05 (0.67–1.63)
	Tarnow et al., 1996 (120)	EDN	Normoalb >15 years of diabetes	198		190	Case-control	Denmark	1 0.98 (0.72–1.34)
	Thomas et al., 2001 (33)	EDN	Normoalb	51		255	Case-control	China (Han)	2 1.02 (0.74–1.40)
	van Iltersum et al., 2000 (35)	EDN	Normoalb	30		188	Case-control	Nether-lands	1 1.84 (0.55–6.20)
	Vionnet et al., 2006 (121)	EDN+Ret	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	390		385	Case-control	Den-mark	1 2.10 (1.10–4.01)
		EDN+Ret	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	387		469	Case-control	Finland	1 1.06 (0.85–1.32)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Design	Country	
NOS3	Young et al., 1998 (41)	EDN+Ret	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	280		273	Case-control	France	1 0.85 (0.67–1.09)
		EDN	Normoalb	20		54	Case-control	China (Han)	2 1.09 (0.84–1.42)
	rs2070744 Ahluwalia et al., 2008 (122)	EDN	Normoalb ≥10 years (without anti-hypertensiva)	195		255	Case-control	India	2 1.27 (0.91–1.76)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	152	74	78	Case-control	USA	1 1.57 (1.08–2.29)
	rs3138808 Ahluwalia et al., 2008 (122)	EDN	Normoalb ≥10 years (without antihypertensiva)	195		255	Case-control	India	2 1.35 (0.94–1.94)
	Fujita et al., 2000 (124)	EDN	Normoalb	65		102	Case-control	Japan	2 0.73 (0.33–1.60)
		EDN	Normoalb >5 years of diabetes	39		82	Case-control	Japan	2 3.02 (1.34–6.81)
	Rippin et al., 2003 (126)	EDN	Normoalb ≥50 years of diabetes	464		396	Case-control	UK	1 1.05 (0.80–1.38)
		EDN	Normoalb >20 years of diabetes	63		66	Case-control	Russia	1 1.97 (1.16–3.36)
	Shimizu et al., 2002 (127)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	230	107	123	Case-control	Japan	2 0.99 (0.66–1.48)
PPARG	Taniwaki et al., 2001 (31)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb	42	22	20	Case-control	Japan	2 0.94 (0.43–2.10)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	152	74	78	Case-control	USA	1 1.69 (1.14–2.51)
	rs1801282 Caramori et al., 2003 (128)	EDN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes	104		212	Case-control	Brazil	2 0.50 (0.26–0.97)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb (without complications)	241	197	44	Case-control	Germany	2 0.83 (0.57–1.21)
	Liu et al., 2010 (130)	EDN	Normoalb ≥10 years of diabetes (without antihypertensiva)	532		228	Case-control	Shanghai (China/Han)	2 1.16 (0.90–1.51)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c	Controls	Design	Country		TD
UNC13B	Jorsal et al., 2008 (131)	EDN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes (geen antihypertensiva)	415			428	Case-control	Denmark	1	0.43 (0.30–0.63)
	Tregouet et al., 2008 (77)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes	489			463	Case-control	Denmark	1	1.20 (0.94–1.54)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes	387			391	Case-control	France	1	0.97 (0.76–1.24)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes	300			469	Case-control	Finland	1	0.87 (0.61–1.25)
	rs13293564 Tregouet et al., 2008 (77)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	484	445	39	459	Case-control	Denmark	1	1.27 (1.05–1.53)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	290	226	64	370	Case-control	France	1	1.05 (0.84–1.31)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥5 years of diabetes (without anti-hypertensiva)	386	264	122	467	Case-control	Finland	1	1.30 (1.07–1.58)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb	412	269	143	314		Finland	1	1.25 (1.04–1.49)
	No gene rs1041466 Pezzolezi et al., 2009 (97)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	379 ^g			413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1	1.22 (0.52–2.86)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	441 ^h			472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1	1.38 (1.15–1.66)
		EDN+ADN	Normo-/microalb (diabetes 16–22 years)	132			1172	Follow-up	USA	1	1.39 (1.14–1.69)
rs1411766 Pezzolezi et al., 2009 (97)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	379 ^g			413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1	0.85 (0.66–1.10)	
	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	441 ^h			472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1	0.69 (0.57–0.83)	
		EDN+ADN	Normo-/microalb (diabetes 16–22 years)	132			1172	Follow-up	USA	1	0.75 (0.62–0.91)

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				Total	EDN ^b	ADN ^c Controls	Design	Country	
rs79899848	Pezzolezi et al., 2009 (97)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years	379 ^g		413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1 0.93 (0.72–1.20)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	441 ^h		472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1 1.33 (1.10–1.61)
		EDN+ADN	Normo-/microalb (diabetes 16–22 years)	132		1172	Follow-up	USA	1 1.32 (1.08–1.61)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	379 ^g		413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1 1.32 (1.09–1.61)
rs9521445	Pezzolezi et al., 2009 (97)	EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	441 ^h		472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1 1.38 (1.14–1.65)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	379 ^g		413 ^g	Case-control	USA	1 0.90 (0.70–1.16)
		EDN+ADN	Normoalb ≥15 years of diabetes	441 ^h		472 ^h	Case-control	USA	1 1.33 (1.10–1.61)
		EDN+ADN	Normo-/microalb (diabetes 16–22 years)	132		1172	Follow-up	USA	1 1.32 (1.08–1.61)

* Vleming 1999 and Vleming 1998 are considered as one dataset, as they use the same control group

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^aOR (95% CI)

^bEDN, established diabetic nephropathy; ^cADN, advanced diabetic nephropathy; ^dNormoalb, normoalbuminuria; ^emicroalb, microalbuminuria; ^fRet, retinopathy; ^gGWU, George

Washington University; ^hJDC, Joslin Diabetes Center

DN, diabetic nephropathy; TD, type of diabetes

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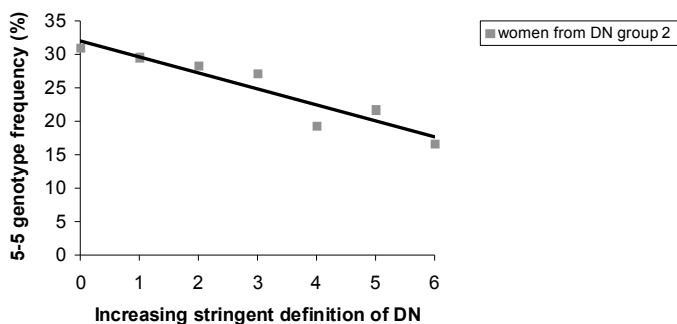
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CHAPTER 5

Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium

CNDP1 genotype	Population		Type 2 diabetes population		DN group 1		DN group 2		DN group 3		Diabetic non-nephropathy controls	
	N = 472		N = 562		N = 114		N = 90		N = 66		N = 93	
	Observed	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed	Expected
5-5	197	201.0	214	205.7	32	35.4	32	31.2	27	25.2	40	3508
5-6	194	186.0	230	243.8	58	52.3	39	38.9	23	27.4	34	52.8
5-7	28	28.1	22	24.8	4	2.8	3	4.7	4	3.1	1	208
6-6	40	43.0	79	72.7	17	19.3	11	12.1	10	7.4	15	19.3
6-7	11	13.0	15	14.7	1	2.1	5	2.9	1	1.7	1	2.1
7-7	2	1.0	2	0.7	0	0.1	0	0.2	0	0.1	0	0.1
P	0.57		0.24		0.50		0.50		0.50		0.43	

Sensitivity analysis



	Increasing stringent definition of DN:	women (n)	5-5 homozygous frequency (%)
0	MDRD < 60	220	31
1	MDRD < 60 and age < 70	88	30
2	DN as in manuscript	60	28
3	MDRD < 60 + microalbuminuria	59	27
4	MDRD < 45	52	19
5	MDRD < 45 + microalbuminuria	23	22
6	MDRD < 30	6	17

With increasing stringent definition of the diagnosis diabetic nephropathy the frequency of the 5-5 homozygous genotype decreases in women, suggesting that the protective effect will only be stronger with a more stringent definition of diabetic nephropathy.

Permutation studies

We first analyzed Hardy-Weinberg Equilibrium (HWE) for the total dataset and various subgroups (table 1) to see if there would be indications for population stratification. Stratification by sex and disease status does not reveal any deviation from HWE. Hence, HWE analysis does not give an indication on population strata.

Table 1. Tests for deviation from HWE in several subgroups of the data set. Subgroups are characterized by Sex (F=female, M=male) and disease status. P-values are given for the Chi-Square goodness of fit test. *N* denotes the sample size in the subgroups.

Sex	Disease status	p-value	N
F	no DN	0.53	44
M	no DN	0.90	47
Both	no DN	0.43	91
F	DN	0.56	139
M	DN	0.74	128
Both	DN	0.95	267
F	All	0.92	183
M	All	0.48	175
Both	All	0.85	358

As individual ethnicity is not known for all patients in this sample and the sample is in almost perfect HWE, it is difficult to construct a permutation scheme that incorporates population strata. We therefore first performed a permutation test without incorporating population strata by randomly permuting phenotype status across the whole data set. Such a procedure can primarily account for small sample size. The permuted P-values are lower than P-values based on the asymptotic Chi-Square distribution (table 2), indicating that small sample size cannot explain the P-values in our study. The asymptotic P-values behave conservative in this situation.

Table 2. P-values for genetic association of the 5-5 genotype in a recessive model. Column *Total* lists P-values for the combined sample (all cases are treated as a single group).

	Total	DN group 1	DN group 2	DN group 3
Asymptotic P-value	0.0000358	0.000542	0.00102	0.00689
Permuted P-value	0.0000073	0.000234	0.000444	0.00281

Sensitivity analysis of population stratification

We addressed the question of population stratification by a sensitivity analysis. The sensitivity analysis was performed in R version 2.10.0. For all Chi-Square tests a continuity correction was used leading to slightly different numeric results compared to the paper. The sensitivity analysis is based on the so-called inflation factor used in genome wide association studies (Biometrics, 55. p.997-1004, 1999), which assesses how much the average/median test statistic of single nucleotide polymorphisms, based on a Chi-Square distribution with one degree of freedom, deviates from the expectation. If the inflation factor is greater than 1, there is an indication that there might be population stratification. This inflation factor can be used to correct results from genome wide association studies by dividing the test statistic by the inflation factor, thereby assuring that a re-analysis is uninflated. We used this concept to determine how large the inflation factor could be in our study to still get significant results at a certain significance level (table 3).

For all groups an inflation of 1.1 is allowed to still achieve a significance of 0.01. An inflation factor of 1.1 is larger than the maximal inflation factor observed in the WTCCC study (Nature, 447. p.661-678, 2007). The maximal reported inflation factor for a genome wide association studies is 1.4 to our knowledge (BMC Proc, 3 Suppl 7. s.13, 2009) (NARAC study). Note, that group 2 and group 3 do not reach the significance

level of 10^{-3} but the combined sample is still significant and still exceeds the inflation factor 1.4 from the NARAC study. We have repeated the analysis with a permutation test in the individual groups and present these results in table 4.

In conclusion, there is no indication for a systematic error due to population stratification based on our sensitivity analysis.

Table 3. Sensitivity analysis for P-values of the study. For an assumed inflation factor the significance level would be precisely alpha for inflation factor > 1 . For inflation factor = 1 the nominal p-value is greater than alpha.

	P-value	Alpha	Inflation factor
DN group 1	0.0005	0.050	3.11
DN group 2	0.0010	0.050	2.81
DN group 3	0.0070	0.050	1.89
All	<0.0001	0.050	4.45
DN group 1	0.0005	0.010	1.80
DN group 2	0.0010	0.010	1.63
DN group 3	0.0070	0.010	1.10
All	<0.0001	0.010	2.57
DN group 1	0.0005	0.001	1.10
DN group 2	0.0010	0.001	1.00
DN group 3	0.0070	0.001	1.00
All	<0.0001	0.001	1.58

Table 4. Sensitivity analysis for P-values using a permutation test. For an assumed inflation factor the significance level would be precisely alpha for inflation factor > 1 . For inflation factor = 1 the nominal p-value is greater than alpha.

	P-value	Alpha	Inflation factor
DN group 1	0.0004	0.050	3.31
DN group 2	0.0070	0.050	3.03
DN group 3	0.0045	0.050	2.10
All	<0.0001	0.050	4.53
DN group 1	0.0004	0.010	1.92
DN group 2	0.0070	0.010	1.75
DN group 3	0.0045	0.010	1.22
All	<0.0001	0.010	2.63
DN group 1	0.0004	0.001	1.17
DN group 2	0.0070	0.001	1.07
DN group 3	0.0045	0.001	1.00
All	<0.0001	0.001	1.61

