

Supplementary Material

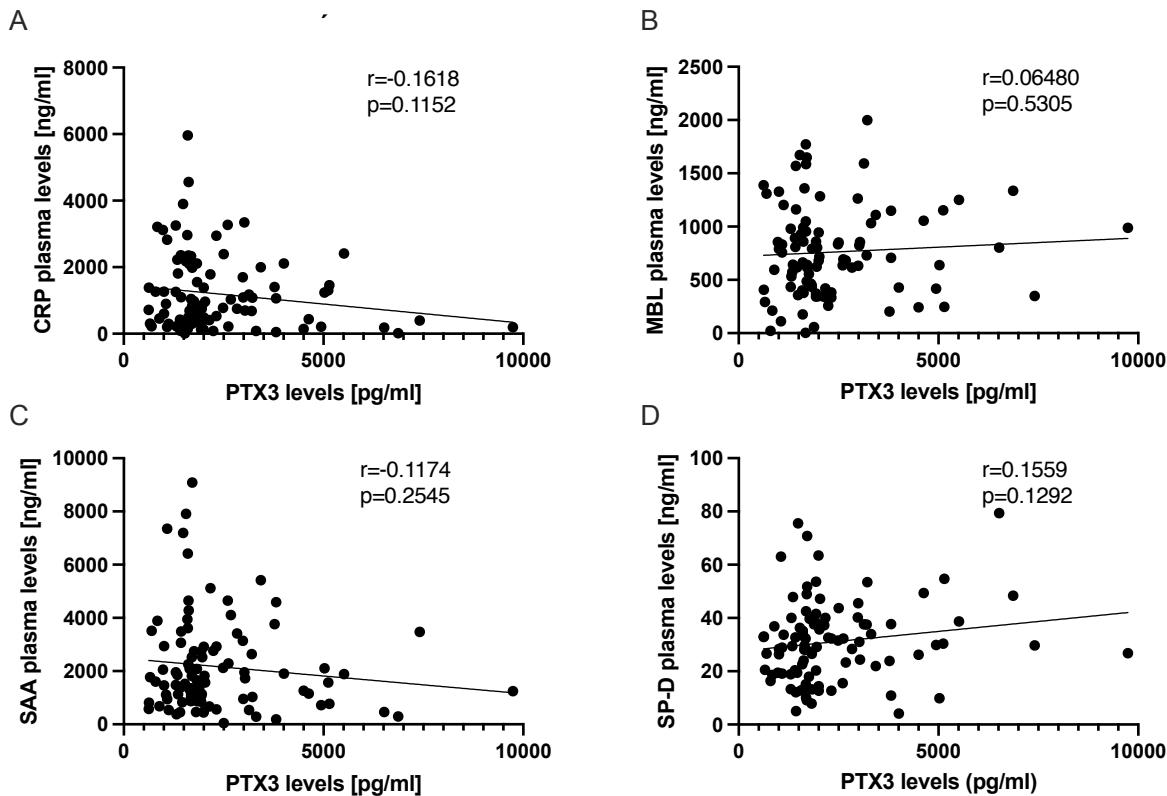


Figure S1: No correlation between PTX-3 plasma levels and the plasma levels of the four other soluble acute phase proteins in non-infected controls. Correlation analyses between the PTX-3 (x-axes) and the plasma levels of (A) CRP (B), MBL (C), SAA and (D) SP-D (y-axes) as determined in the sera of 98 non-infected controls. The Pearson's r and p-values are indicated in the respective plots.

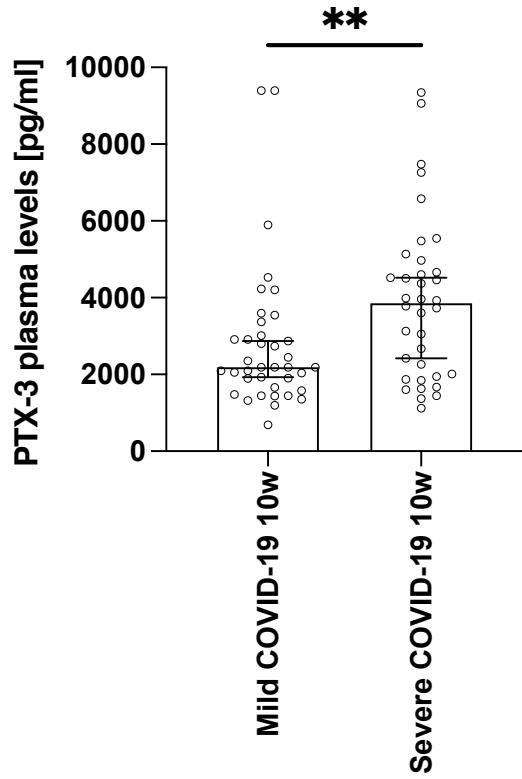


Figure S2: PTX-3 plasma levels of COVID-19 patients who underwent PTX-3 gene sequencing analyses. The PTX-3 plasma levels (median \pm 95%CI; y-axes) of 38 mild and 36 severe COVID-19 cases at 10 weeks. P-value was determined using the Mann Whitney U-test and is indicated as follows: **, p<0.01.

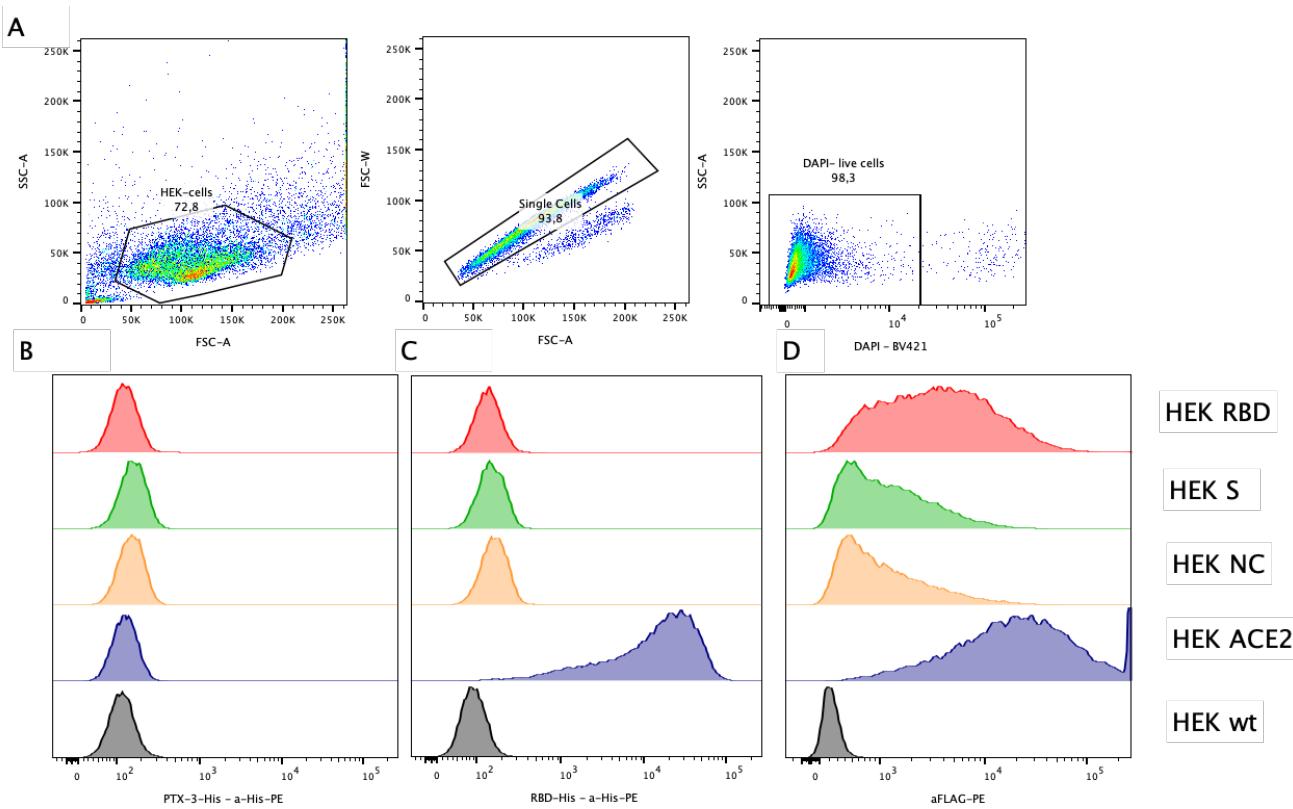


Figure S3: Flow cytometric analyses of PTX-3 binding to transfected HEK cells. (A) Shows the gating strategy for stably transduced HEK cells based on their FSC-SSC properties, selection of single cells (FSC-A vs. FSC-W) and DAPI negative live cells. B-D shows single parameter histogram analyses (x-axes fluorescence intensity, y-axes cell numbers) of indicated HEK transduced cells stained with PTX-3-His and anti-His-PE (B), RBD-His and anti-His-PE (C) as a positive control for anti-His staining and anti-FLAG-PE (D) to confirm expression of the indicated transgenes. Data are representative of three independent experiments.

1 **Table S1. Demographics, clinical presentation and preexisting health conditions of COVID-19 convalescent patients and non-infected**
 2 **subjects.**

3 *Characteristics of COVID-19 convalescent patients and non-infected control subjects, p values <0.05 are indicated in red*

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5	Characteristics no. (%)	Non-infected control subjects n=98	COVID-19 convalescent patients n=141	Mild COVID-19 convalescent patients n=105	Severe COVID-19 convalescent patients n=36	p-values healthy controls vs COVID-19 convalescent patients	p-values mild vs. severe COVID-19 convalescent patients
	Male sex	44 (44.9)	80 (56.7)	59 (56.2)	21 (58.3)	0.0871	0.8481
	Female sex	54 (55.1)	61 (43.3)	46 (43.8)	15 (41.6)	0.0871	0.8481
	Age Median (Range) (Mean±SD)	51 (14-77) (50.1±14.2)	54 (16-78) (52.2±14.2)	53 (16-78) (50.8±14.5)	57.5 (30-78) (56.3±12.5)	0.27561	0.0641
	Height in cm (Mean±SD)	172.2±8.9	175.0±9.3	175.5±9.0	173.4±10.4	0.0941	0.4391
	Weight in kg (Mean±SD)	73.7±16.4	78.9±16.6	78.3±16.9	80.6±15.6	0.1028	0.2555
	Positive SARS-CoV-2 test (rtPCR or serology)	0 (0)	141 (100)	105 (100)	36 (100)	<0.0001	>0.9999
	Sneeze	0 (0)	41 (29.1)	27 (25.7)	14 (38.9)	<0.0001	0.1423
	Runny nose	0 (0)	47 (33.3)	31 (29.5)	16 (30)	<0.0001	0.1071
	Blocked nose	0 (0)	57 (40.4)	43 (41)	14 (38.9)	<0.0001	0.8470
	Conjunctivitis	0 (0)	15 (10.6)	14 (13.3)	1 (2.8)	0.005	0.1153
	Arthralgia	0 (0)	72 (51.1)	55 (52.4)	17 (47.2)	<0.0001	0.6998
	Myalgia	0 (0)	74 (52.5)	57 (54.3)	17 (47.2)	<0.0001	0.5625
	Nausea	0 (0)	37 (26.2)	23 (21.9)	14 (38.9)	<0.0001	0.0516
	Headache	0 (0)	93 (66.0)	71 (67.6)	22 (61.1)	<0.0001	0.5424
	Chills or rigor	0 (0)	73 (51.8)	52 (49.5)	21 (58.3)	<0.0001	0.4405
	Fever	0 (0)	112 (79.4)	82 (78.1)	30 (83.3)	<0.0001	0.6350
	Max. temperature in °C Median (Range) Mean ± SD	n.a.	38.5 (37.0-42.0) 38.7±0.8	38.5 (37-42) 38.5±0.8	(37.8-41) 39.1±0.8	n.a.	0.0007
	< 37.5°C	n.a.	2 (1.4)	2 (1.9)	0	0.506	>0.9999
	37.5 - 38.0°C	n.a.	27 (19.1)	23 (21.9)	4 (11.1)	<0.0001	0.2201
	38.1 - 39.0°C	n.a.	51 (36.2)	41 (39.0)	10 (27.8)	<0.0001	0.3149
	> 39.0°C	n.a.	33 (23.4)	17 (16.2)	16 (44.4)	<0.0001	0.0011
	Fever duration in days (Mean±SD)	n.a.	6.5±5.6	5.6±4.8	9.3±7.0	n.a.	0.0023
	Diarrhea	0 (0)	44 (31.2)	28 (26.7)	16 (44.4)	<0.0001	0.0608

<i>Loss of taste/smell</i>	0 (0)	90 (63.8)	68 (64.8)	22 (61.1)	<0.0001	0.6929
<i>Fatigue</i>	0 (0)	119 (84.4)	88 (83.8)	31 (86.1)	<0.0001	>0.9999
<i>Vomiting</i>	0 (0)	16 (11.3)	7 (6.7)	9 (25)	0.0003	0.0054
<i>Other GI problems</i>	0 (0)	10 (7.1)	8 (7.6)	2 (5.6)	0.0059	>0.9999
<i>Sore throat</i>	0 (0)	57 (40.4)	42 (40)	15 (41.7)	<0.0001	>0.9999
<i>Cough</i>	0 (0)	99 (70.2)	73 (69.5)	26 (72.2)	<0.0001	0.8350
<i>Wheezing</i>	0 (0)	43 (30.5)	23 (21.9)	20 (55.6)	<0.0001	0.0003
<i>Shortness of breath</i>	0 (0)	71 (50.4)	44 (41.9)	27 (75)	<0.0001	0.0009
<i>Pneumonia</i>	0 (0)	27 (19.1)	3 (2.9)	24 (66.7)	<0.0001	<0.0001
<i>Days of illness (symptoms)</i>	n.a.	19.4±18.6	15.4±13.1	32.3±26.4	n.a.	<0.0001
<i>Symptom-free days till venipuncture</i>	≥ 70	62.5±34.2	56.5±23.9	81.6±51.7	n.a.	0.0158
<i>Days between start of disease and venipuncture</i>	n.a.	84.6 ±39.8	72.8±22.4	119.6±56.6	n.a.	<0.0001
<i>Hospitalized</i>	0 (0)	36 (25.5)	0 (0)	36 (25.5)	<0.0001	<0.0001
<i>Days of hospitalization</i>	n.a.	22.3±20.7	0 (0)	22.3±20.7	n.a.	n.a.
<i>ICU or IMCU admission</i>	0 (0)	16 (11.3)	0 (0)	16 (11.3)	0.0003	<0.0001
<i>Days spent in ICU</i>	n.a.	21.4±11.6	0 (0)	21.4±11.6	n.a.	n.a.
<i>O₂ therapy required</i>	0 (0)	25 (17.7)	1 (1)	24 (17.7)	<0.0001.	<0.0001
<i>Days of O₂ therapy</i>	n.a.	23.7±35.6	28±0	23.4±36.9	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Invasive ventilation</i>	0 (0)	10 (7.1)	0 (0)	10 (7.1)	0.0059	<0.0001
<i>Days of invasive ventilation</i>	n.a.	23.1±5.4	0 (0)	23.1±5.4	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Asymptomatic</i>	98 (100)	5 (3.5)	5 (3.5)	0 (0)	<0.0001	0.3287
<i>Pre-existing health conditions</i>	64 (65.3)	88 (62.4)	65 (61.9)	23 (63.9)	0.6833	>0.9999
<i>Cardiovascular diseases</i>	19 (19.4)	27 (19.1)	20 (19)	7 (19.4)	>0.9999	>0.9999
<i>Chronic lung diseases</i>	11 (11.2)	18 (12.8)	12 (11.4)	6 (16.7)	0.8411	0.4001
<i>Allergy/Asthma</i>	43 (43.9)	45 (31.9)	34 (32.4)	11 (30.6)	0.0761	>0.9999
<i>Diabetes mellitus</i>	4 (4.1)	9 (6.4)	4 (3.8)	5 (13.9)	0.5672	0.0474
<i>Hematopoietic diseases</i>	0 (0)	3 (2.1)	3 (2.9)	0 (0)	0.2712	0.5702
<i>Immunosuppressive conditions</i>	2 (2.0)	8 (5.7)	3 (2.9)	5 (13.9)	0.2048	0.0260
<i>Liver diseases</i>	3 (3.1)	3 (2.1)	3 (2.9)	0 (0)	0.6914	0.5702
<i>Metabolic diseases</i>	17 (17.3)	24 (17.0)	19 (18.1)	5 (13.9)	>0.9999	0.7975
<i>Neurological disorders</i>	8 (8.1)	9 (6.4)	8 (7.6)	1 (2.8)	0.6171	0.4478
<i>Renal diseases</i>	3 (3.1)	5 (3.5)	4 (3.8)	1 (2.8)	>0.9999	>0.9999
<i>Other medical problems</i>	17 (17.3)	32 (22.7)	17 (16.2)	15 (41.1)	0.3335	0.0027
<i>Pregnancy</i>	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	>0.9999	>0.9999
<i>Smoking</i>	19 (19.4)	9 (6.4)	7 (6.7)	2 (5.6)	0.0036	>0.9999

<i>Regular alcohol consumption</i>	36 (36.7)	55 (39.0)	39 (37.1)	16 (44.4)	0.7869	0.4375
<i>Regular medications</i>	48 (49.0)	72 (51.1)	43 (41)	29 (80.6)	0.7932	<0.0001

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8 **Table S2: Result of principal component analyses of the relationship of acute phase
9 proteins.**

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Variable	Loading on Factor 1 (PC1)	Loading on Factor 2 (PC 2)
MBL	0.466821	-0.539976
SP-D	0.234044	0.707217
CRP	0.845570	0.053085
SAA	0.800148	0.129381
PTX3	0.030947	0.703239
Proportion of total variance explained:	0.325776	0.261167

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16 **Table S3. Demographics, clinical presentation and preexisting health conditions of mild
17 and severe COVID-19 patients for sequencing analyses**

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19 *Characteristics of COVID-19 convalescent patients, p values <0.05 are indicated in red*

<i>Characteristics no. (%)</i>	<i>Mild COVID-19 convalescent patients n=38</i>	<i>Severe COVID-19 convalescent patients n=36</i>	<i>p-values</i>
<i>Male sex</i>	21 (55.2)	21 (58.3)	0.8148
<i>Female sex</i>	17 (44.7)	15 (41.6)	0.8148
<i>Age Median (Range) (Mean±SD)</i>	56 (30-76) (55.2±11.0)	57.5 (30-78) (56.3±12.5)	0.960
<i>Height in cm (Mean±SD)</i>	175.6±9.5	173.4±10.4	0.4686
<i>Weight in kg (Mean±SD)</i>	79.5±14.3	80.6±15.6	0.6140
<i>Positive SARS-CoV-2 test (rtPCR or serology)</i>	38 (100)	36 (100)	>0.999
<i>Sneeze</i>	8 (21.1)	14 (38.9)	0.1279
<i>Runny nose</i>	10 (26.3)	16 (30)	0.1442
<i>Blocked nose</i>	15 (39.4)	14 (38.9)	>0.999
<i>Conjunctivitis</i>	4 (10.5)	1 (2.8)	0.3585
<i>Arthralgia</i>	23 (60.5)	17 (47.2)	0.3508
<i>Myalgia</i>	25 (65.8)	17 (47.2)	0.1588
<i>Nausea</i>	10 (26.3)	14 (38.9)	0.3222
<i>Headache</i>	28 (73.7)	22 (61.1)	0.3222
<i>Chills or rigor</i>	23 (60.5)	21 (58.3)	>0.999
<i>Fever</i>	35 (92.1)	30 (83.3)	0.3024
<i>Max. temperature in °C Median (Range) Mean ± SD</i>	38.5 (37-42) 38.5±0.7	(37.8-41) 39.1±0.8	0.0526
< 37.5°C	5 (13.2)	0	0.0546
37.5 - 38.0°C	6 (15.8)	4 (11.1)	0.7366
38.1 - 39.0°C	18 (47.4)	10 (27.8)	0.0979
> 39.0°C	9 (23.7)	16 (44.4)	0.0852
<i>Fever duration in days (Mean±SD)</i>	6.9±5.6	9.3±7.0	0.0410
<i>Diarrhea</i>	9 (23.7)	16 (44.4)	0.0852
<i>Loss of taste/smell</i>	26 (68.4)	22 (61.1)	0.6274
<i>Fatigue</i>	35 (92.1)	31 (86.1)	0.4737
<i>Vomiting</i>	4 (10.5)	9 (25)	0.1319
<i>Other GI problems</i>	4 (10.5)	2 (5.6)	0.6749
<i>Sore throat</i>	17 (44.7)	15 (41.7)	0.8184
<i>Cough</i>	32 (84.2)	26 (72.2)	0.2641
<i>Wheezing</i>	12 (31.6)	20 (55.6)	0.0598
<i>Shortness of breath</i>	19 (50.0)	27 (75)	0.0328
<i>Pneumonia</i>	3 (7.9)	24 (66.7)	<0.0001
<i>Days of illness (symptoms)</i>	15.6±11.0	32.3±26.4	<0.0001
<i>Symptom-free days till venipuncture</i>	57.5±32.7	81.6±51.7	0.0989
<i>Days between start of disease and venipuncture</i>	73.4±29.2	119.6±56.6	0.0002
<i>Hospitalized</i>	0 (0)	36 (25.5)	<0.0001
<i>Days of hospitalization</i>	0 (0)	22.3±20.7	n.a.
<i>ICU or IMCU admission</i>	0 (0)	16 (11.3)	<0.0001
<i>Days spent in ICU</i>	0 (0)	21.4±11.6	n.a.
<i>O₂ therapy required</i>	1 (2.6)	24 (17.7)	<0.0001
<i>Days of O₂ therapy</i>		23.4±36.9	n.a.
<i>Invasive ventilation</i>	0 (0)	10 (7.1)	0.0004
<i>Days of invasive ventilation</i>	0 (0)	23.1±5.4	n.a.
<i>Asymptomatic</i>	0 (0)	0 (0)	>0.9999

<i>Pre-existing health conditions</i>	25 (65.8)	23 (63.9)	>0.9999
<i>Cardiovascular diseases</i>	8 (21.1)	7 (19.4)	>0.9999
<i>Chronic lung diseases</i>	3 (7.9)	6 (16.7)	0.3024
<i>Allergy/Asthma</i>	14 (36.8)	11 (30.6)	0.6282
<i>Diabetes mellitus</i>	2 (5.2)	5 (13.9)	0.2553
<i>Hematopoietic diseases</i>	2 (5.2)	0 (0)	0.4935
<i>Immunosuppressive conditions</i>	1 (2.6)	5 (13.9)	0.1027
<i>Liver diseases</i>	1 (2.6)	0 (0)	>0.9999
<i>Metabolic diseases</i>	6 (15.8)	5 (13.9)	>0.9999
<i>Neurological disorders</i>	2 (5.2)	1 (2.8)	>0.9999
<i>Renal diseases</i>	1 (2.6)	1 (2.8)	>0.9999
<i>Other medical problems</i>	9 (23.7)	15 (41.1)	0.1368
<i>Pregnancy</i>	0 (0)	0 (0)	>0.9999
<i>Smoking</i>	1 (2.6)	2 (5.6)	0.6096
<i>Regular alcohol consumption</i>	10 (26.3)	16 (44.4)	0.1442
<i>Regular medications</i>	19 (50)	29 (80.6)	0.0076

21 **Table S4. SNPs detected in the sequenced study cohort**
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23 *Number of sequenced patients positive for the indicated SNP, p values <0.05 are indicated in red:*

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Reference SNP ID	Position in the reference genome	COVID-19 convalescent patients (n) n=74	Mild COVID-19 convalescent patients (n) n=38	Severe COVID-19 convalescent patients (n) n=36	p-values (not adjusted) between mild and severe convalescent patients	p-values (corrected for multiple testing) between mild and severe convalescent patients
rs1191991761	157431846	1	1	0	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs899938734	157431848	4	2	2	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs1264552796	157431871	6	2	4	0.4238	>0.9999
rs4680363	157432293	53	26	27	0.6105	>0.9999
rs2316710	157432391	55	27	28	0.5987	>0.9999
rs2316709	157432458	55	27	28	0.5987	>0.9999
rs1577641602	157432485	1	1	0	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs2316708	157432510	55	27	28	0.5987	>0.9999
rs2316707	157432543	2	1	1	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs1055497867	157432850	60	29	31	0.3769	>0.9999
rs80027448	157432968	1	1	0	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs549344673	157433258	2	1	1	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs971145291	157434327	58	37	21	<0.0001	<0.0001
rs968734277	157434514	60	29	31	0.3769	>0.9999
rs7615621	157434811	55	27	28	0.5987	>0.9999
rs1267892655	157435080	5	5	0	0.0546	>0.9999
rs1219400881	157436137	53	26	27	0.6105	>0.9999
rs35948036	157436979	1	1	0	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs2305619	157437072	55	27	28	0.5987	>0.9999
rs1733679197	157437338	1	0	1	0.4865	>0.9999
rs3816527	157437525	60	29	31	0.3769	>0.9999
rs148943471	157437630	1	0	1	0.4865	>0.9999
rs774167944 	157437696	2	0	2	0.2332	>0.9999
rs1372487918	157437816	1	1	0	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs781700719	157438037	3	2	1	>0.9999	>0.9999
s1200916094	157438054	3	1	2	0.6069	>0.9999
rs56025932	157438069	2	1	1	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs1840680	157438240	55	27	28	0.5987	>0.9999
rs1733831197	157438261	2	2	0	0.4935	>0.9999
rs1280296909	157438623	3	2	1	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs1044752871	157441356	61	29	32	0.2236	>0.9999
rs2109234988	157441821	0	0	0	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs2109235022	157441823	2	1	1	>0.9999	>0.9999
rs3845978	157441905	2	1	1	>0.9999	>0.9999

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