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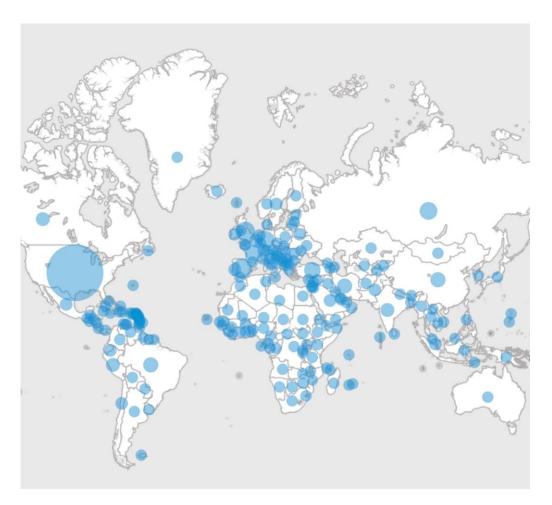
## Spyr korona eftir, hvør tú ert?

Hevur tín ílegusamanseting týdning fyri sjúkugongdina hjá COVID-19?

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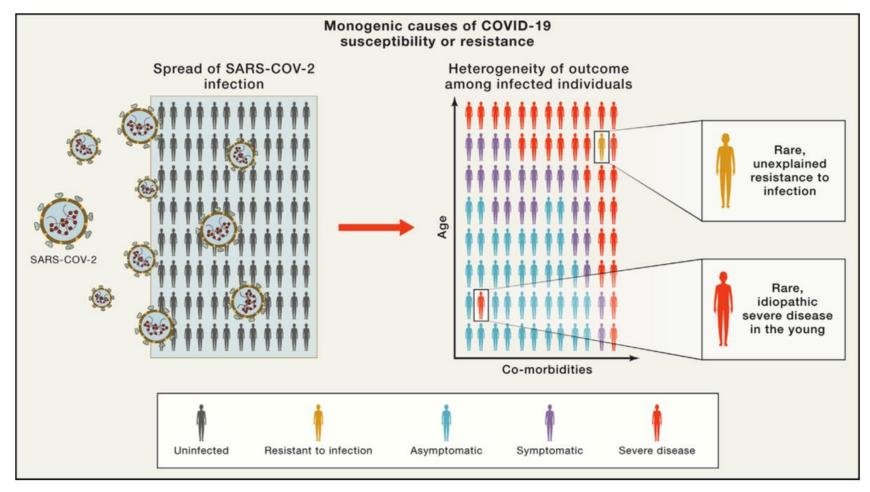
## COVID-19 tann 6. november 2020

- 219 tjóðir ávirkaðar...higartil
  - 47 milliónir smittað
  - 2 millónir deyð
- Ymiskt, hvussu korona ávirkar
  - Alt frá ongi sjúkueyðkenni til lívshættislig sjúkueyðkenni
- Kann ílegusamansetingin hava týdning?





## Hví tosa um ílegusamanseting?





#### COVID-19 Host Genetics Initiative



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**Human Genomics** Genetic variants of the human host

influencing the coronavirus-associate phenotypes (SARS, MERS and COVID rapid systematic review and field syl

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The COVID-19 pandemic has strengthened the interest in the biological mechani interplay between infectious agents and the human host. The spectrum of pheno CoV-2 infection, ranging from the absence of symptoms to severe systemic comp what extent the variable response to coronaviruses (CoVs) is influenced by the va-

o explore the current knowledge about this question, we designed a systematic scientific literature published from Jan. 2003 to June 2020, to include studies on the caused by SARS-CoV-1, MERS-CoV and SARS-CoV-2 (namely SARS, MERS and COVID eligible if human genetic variants were tested as predictors of clinical phenotypes An ad hoc protocol for the rapid review process was designed according to the P at the PROSPERO database (ID: CRD42020180860). The systematic workflow proviabstraction (28 on SARS, 1 on MERS, 3 on COVID-19) reporting data on 26 discoviconsidered the definite clinical diagnosis as the primary outcome, variably coupled was the most frequently analysed). Ten studies analysed HLA haplotypes (1 in pat provide consistent signals of association with disease-associated phenotypes. Out of investigated candidate genes (2 as associated with COVID-19), the top-ranked gene ACE2, CLEC4M (L-SIGN), MBL, MxA (n = 3), ACE, CD209, FCER2, OAS-1, TLR4, TNF-a (r MxA were found as possibly implicated in CoV-associated phenotypes in at least to for each predictor was insufficient to conduct meta-analyses.

Studies collecting large cohorts from different ancestries are needed to further elivariants in determining the response to CoVs infection. Rigorous design and robus

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#### A Global Effort to Define the Human Genetics of Protective Immunity to SARS-CoV-2 Infection

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SARS-CoV-2 infection displays immense inter-individual clinical variability, ranging from silent infection to le that disease. The role of human genetics in determining clinical response to the virus remains unclear. Studies of outliers-individuals remaining uninfected despite viral exposure and healthy young patients with lifepreatening disease—present a unique opportunity to reveal human genetic determinants of infection and

caused severe epidemics. These three cally important and suggests that the type of infection is paradoxically corre-RNA viruses-SARS-CoV-1 (discovered decline of the body weakens immunity, lated with early death from infection of in 2002), MERS-CoV (2012), and SARS- which may be difficult to translate into the biological but not the foster parents CoV-2 (2019)-are much more virulent molecular, cellular, and immunolog- Finally, susceptibility to various infectious than the other four (HCoV-229E, HCoV- ical terms. NL63, HCoV-QC43, HCoV-HKU1), which However, there is also a more perplex-segregation studies, to be heritable and to cause common colds and only rare cases ing, but perhaps less difficult, problem. reflect the impact of a major gene. of severe disease, including pneumonia. Why are previously healthy children, ado- Since 1950, genetic and molecular In 2002, SARS-CoV-1 caused an lescents, young or middle-aged adults studies have provided an immunological epidemic limited to China. In 2012, being admitted to intensive care for respi- basis for inherited predispositions to in-MERS-CoV caused an epidemic that ratory failure, encephalitis, or Kawasaki fectious diseases. Patient- and familybegan in Saudi Arabia, subsequently disease, due to COVID-19? Why would a based studies led to the discovery of spreading primarily in the Middle East 40-year-old man who completed a mara—autosomal recessive neutropenia and X-before containment. SARS-CoV-2 was thon in October 2019 find himself intu-linked recessive agammaglobulinemia. first detected in China in 2019, but has bated and ventilated for COVID-19 respi- These two seminal inborn errors of immusince become a devastating ongoing ratory failure in April 2020? The COVID nity appeared to be Mendelian and the global pandemic. Most SARS-CoV-2 in- Human Genetic Effort (https://www. pathophysiological mechanism of each fections are asymptomatic or benign, covidinge.com/) proposes that previously was elucidated, providing proof of princi-but SARS-CoV-2 infectious disease healthy, young patients with severe ple for genetic predisposition to human in-2019 (COVID-19) can cause life-threat- COVID-19 carry causal genetic variants. fectious diseases. These and many other ening disease, which typically begins. This hypothesis is not yet supported by inborn errors of immunity are individually with pneumonia. Severe COVID-19 oc- specific genetic epidemiological studies rare and underlie multiple, recurrent, and curs much more frequently in patients of COVID-19, but it follows a long line of often unusual infections in individual paover the age of 50 years and/or with co- classical genetic studies since 1905, tients. Since 1985, molecular genetics norbid conditions such as pulmonary, relating to diverse infections in plants studies have confirmed these disorders cardiovascular, and metabolic disorders and animals, including humans (Casa- to be Mendelian (monogenic with com (Figure 1). Life-threatening disease probnova and Abel, 2020). Three types of huplete clinical penetrance). ably strikes less than 1 in 1,000 infected man genetic epidemiological studies. These studies launched a painstaking

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There are seven known human-tropic co- identification of advanced age and co- than dizygotic twins. Adoption studies onaviruses (CoV), three of which have morbidities as major risk factors is clini- have shown that early death from any

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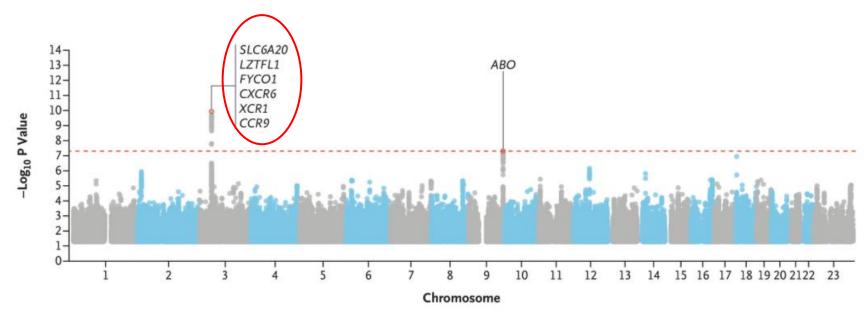
individuals below the age of 50 without merit specific comment. Twin studies mission to decipher the genetic basis of underlying conditions but more than 1 in have shown that concordance rates for susceptibility to infections in humans, 10 infected patients over the age of 80 some infectious diseases, such as tuber- from the individual to whole-population years with multiple comorbidities. The culosis, are much higher for monozygotic levels. This genetic patient-by-patient,



#### **ORIGINAL ARTICLE**

#### Genomewide Association Study of Severe Covid-19 with Respiratory Failure

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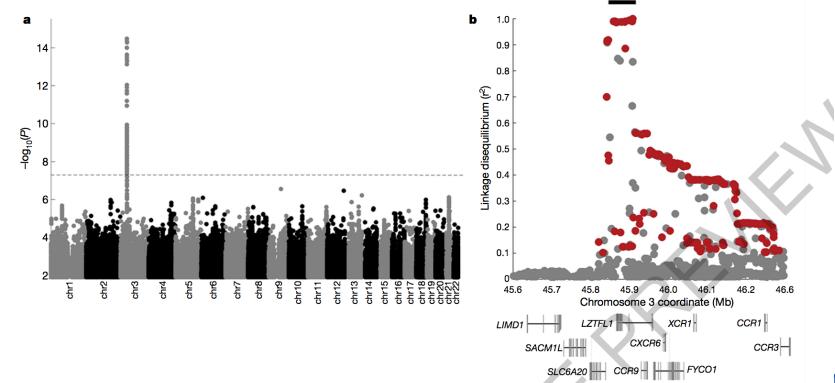




# The major genetic risk factor for severe COVID-19 is inherited from Neanderthals

Hugo Zeberg ≥ & Svante Pääbo ≥

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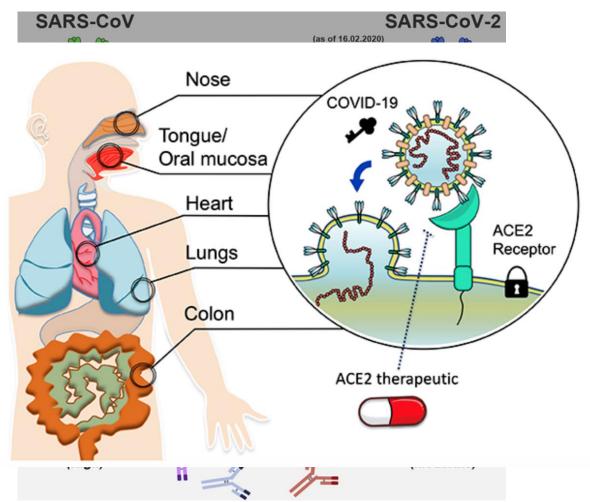




### Hvat vita vit longu nú um COVID-19?

- Líkskapur millum SARS-CoV og COVID-19 (Lu et al. 2020)
- ACE2 er hurðin inn í kyknuna
- Reseptorur í yvirflatanum á ymsum kyknum
- Tal av reseptorum kann hava ávirkan á sjúkugongdina
- ACE2 er eitt m

  øguligt target fyri eina vaccinu





## Hvat vita vit longu nú um COVID-19?

- Blóðflokkur hevur ávirkan
  - Blóðflokkur A:
    - Øktur vandi fyri smittu
    - Øktur vandi fyri andaleiðstrupulleikum
  - Blóðflokkur O:
    - Minni vandi fyri smittu
    - Minni vandi fyri andaleiðistrupulleikum





## Hvat gera vit í Føroyum?

- Kanna um ávísar ílegur hava samband við ymisk sjúkueyðkenni
- Kanna um ávísar ílegur kunnu verja ein ella økja um vandan fyri smittuni

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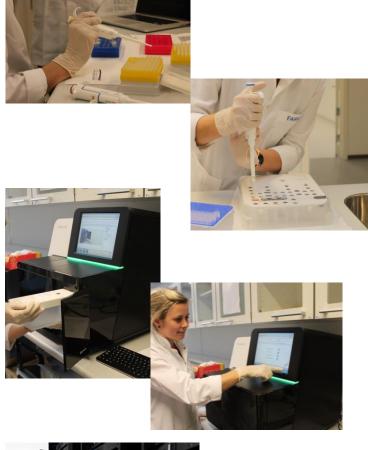


## Blóðroynd til DNA



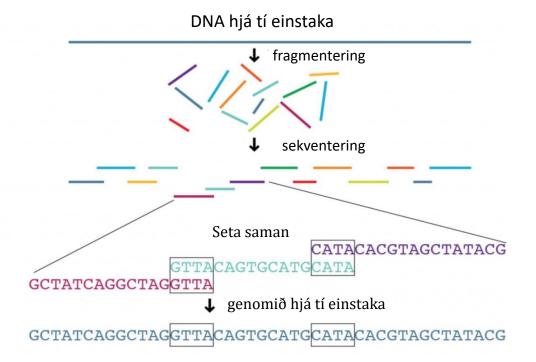


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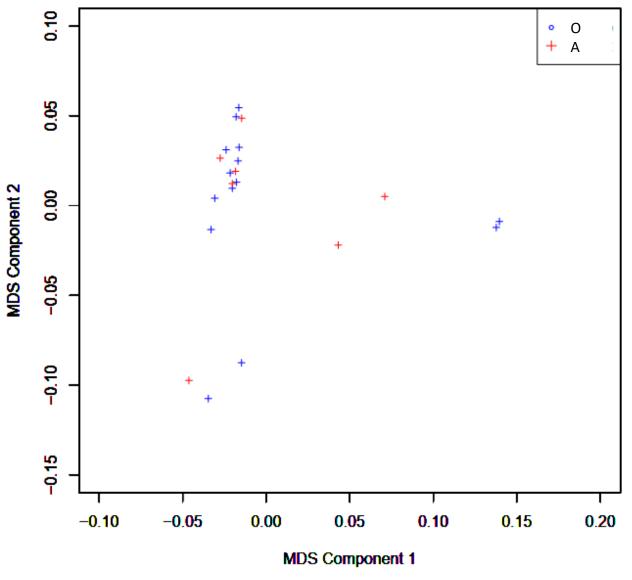






## Føroyar í mun til Europa

- Føroyingar bólka seg fyri seg sjálvar
- Kann hava týdning fyri sjúkugongd og viðgerð
- COVID-19 sjúklingarnir bólka seg væl saman





## ACE2 í føroyska COVID-19-bólkinum

- Serliga tríggjar ílegubroytingar hava týdning fyri, hvussu hart
   COVID-19 rakar
- Tvær av teimum eru í føroysku royndunum
- Ílegubroytingarnar eru bert funnar hjá teimum við álvarsligum sjúkuteknum
- Kanning av fleiri einstaklingum fer at staðfesta, um ACE2 hevur ávirkan á sjúkugongdina ella/og smittuvandan

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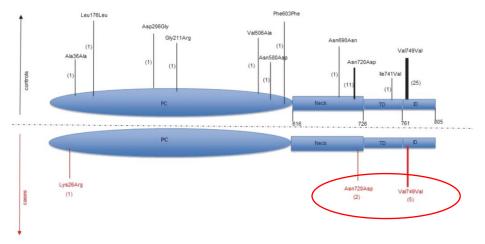


#### ARTICLE



#### ACE2 gene variants may underlie interindividual variability and susceptibility to COVID-19 in the Italian population

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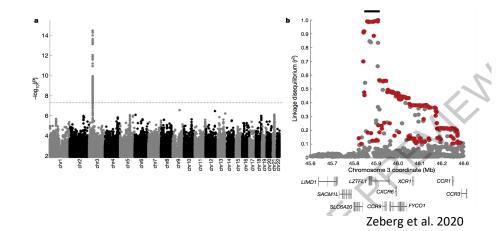


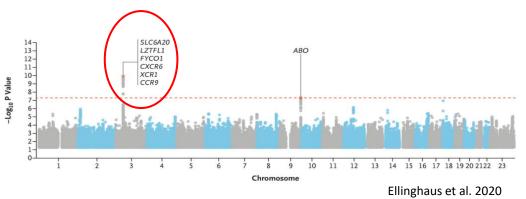
## Kromosom 3 í føroyska COVID-19-bólkinum

- Kanna "vandamiklar" ílegubroytingar á kromosom 3
- Hypotesa: Tey, sum eru verri fyri, hava fleiri "vandamiklar" ílegubroytingar

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"Vandamikil" 1 broyting 2	3	3
Partvís <b>3</b> vandamikil	3	4
Samla	22	22

Í miðal hava tey, sum vóru verri fyri, IKKI fleiri "vandamiklar"
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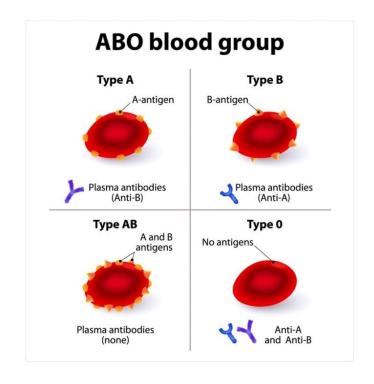


### ABO blóðflokkar í føroyska COVID-19-bólkinum

- Genetiskan markør fyri blóðflokk O (rs8176719)
  - · "Frameshift" ilegubroyting
- Minst til, at blóðflokkur A:
  - Øktan vanda fyri smittu
  - Øktan vanda fyri andaleiðstrupuleikum
- Úrslit:

Blóðflokkur COVID-19 bólkinum (n=21)

	Álvarsligßjúkutekin?	Ongißjúkutekin?
0	5月71%)	81(57%)
Aælla⊞	21(29%)	6月43%)



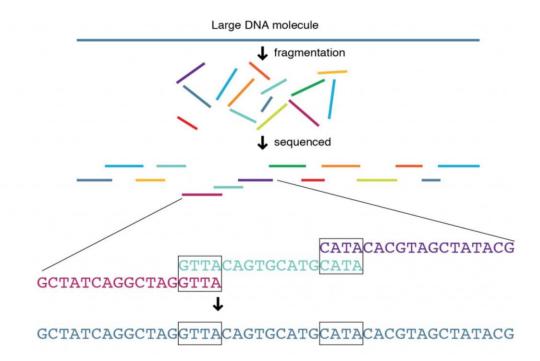
Vit kunnu ikki staðfesta, at blóðflokkur hevur ávirkan á smittuvandan ella sjúkugongdina



#### Næsta stig

- Ílegulesa øll tey smittaðu, sum vilja luttaka
- Kanna ílegur saman við øðrum faktorum
  - Aldur, kyn, sjúku, andevni, royking osv.

- Vit fara nokk ikki at finna eina ílegu, sum greiðir alt
- Men íleguupplýsingar fara at hjálpa til við viðgerð
- Íleguupplýsingar fara hjálpa til við váðameting





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