

## **SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL FOR:**

### ***APOE* $\epsilon$ 4 carriage associates with improved myocardial performance from adolescence to older age**

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	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1315	1.01 (0.99, 1.04)	0.207	1.01 (0.99, 1.03)	0.537	1.01 (0.99, 1.03)	0.226	1.02 (0.99, 1.04)	0.152	1.02 (1.00, 1.05)	0.053	1.01 (0.99, 1.04)	0.231	1.01 (0.99, 1.04)	0.190
<b>LVPWT<sub>a</sub></b>	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1325	1.02 (1.00, 1.05)	0.076	1.01 (0.99, 1.04)	0.199	1.02 (1.00, 1.05)	0.075	1.02 (0.99, 1.05)	0.125	1.02 (0.99, 1.05)	0.123	1.02 (0.99, 1.05)	0.339	1.02 (1.00, 1.05)	0.066
<b>IVS<sub>s</sub></b>	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1317	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.952	0.99 (0.97, 1.01)	0.394	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.877	1.01 (0.98, 1.03)	0.524	1.00 (0.98, 1.03)	0.842	0.99 (0.97, 1.01)	0.432	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.935
<b>IVS<sub>a</sub></b>	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1327	1.01 (0.98, 1.04)	0.442	1.00 (0.98, 1.03)	0.834	1.01 (0.98, 1.04)	0.491	1.01 (0.98, 1.05)	0.356	1.02 (0.99, 1.05)	0.239	1.00 (0.97, 1.03)	0.867	1.01 (0.98, 1.04)	0.411

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Model 2 was not adjusted for age in NSHD as all participants are age-matched.

*APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  = apolipoprotein  $\epsilon 4$ ;  $\beta$  = regression coefficient; *BMI* = body mass index; CI = confidence interval; CVD = cardiovascular disease; *EF* = ejection fraction; exp = exponentiated; HT = hypertension; *IVS<sub>s,d</sub>* = interventricular septal thickness in systole/diastole; *LVmass* = left ventricular mass, *LVPWT<sub>s,d</sub>* = left ventricular posterior wall thickness in systole/diastole; *M* = model; *MCF* = myocardial contraction fraction; *NSHD* = National Survey of Health and Development; *PDSR* = peak diastolic strain rate; ref = reference.

**Supplementary Table S2. Associations between *APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  genotypes and echocardiographic data at 60-64 years by comparing non-*APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  ( $\epsilon 2\epsilon 2$ ,  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 3$ ,  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 3$ ) with any *APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  ( $\epsilon 2\epsilon 4$ ,  $\epsilon 3\epsilon 4$  and  $\epsilon 4\epsilon 4$ ) genotypes in SABRE.**

Outcome	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ status	M1 (unadjusted)			M2 (adjusted for age, sex and SEP)		M3 (M2 + BMI)		M4 (M2 + CVD)		M5 (M2 + diabetes)		M6 (M2 + high cholesterol)		M7 (M2 + HT)	
		n	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value
EF	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1160	1.02 (1.00, 1.04)	0.134	1.02 (1.00, 1.04)	0.153	1.02 (1.00, 1.04)	0.144	1.01 (0.99, 1.03)	0.228	1.01 (0.99, 1.03)	0.228	1.02 (1.00, 1.05)	0.109	1.02 (1.00, 1.04)	0.148
E/e'	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1148	1.00 (0.96, 1.04)	0.921	1.00 (0.95, 1.04)	0.894	1.01 (1.00, 1.01)	0.984	1.00 (0.96, 1.04)	0.999	1.01 (0.97, 1.06)	0.651	0.99 (0.93, 1.05)	0.679	1.03 (1.01, 1.06)	0.968
LVmass	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1161	1.00 (0.97, 1.04)	0.918	1.01 (0.97, 1.04)	0.752	1.01 (0.97, 1.04)	0.710	1.00 (0.97, 1.04)	0.829	1.01 (0.97, 1.05)	0.656	1.01 (0.96, 1.06)	0.657	1.00 (0.97, 1.04)	0.846
MCF	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1158	1.03 (1.00, 1.06)	0.102	1.03 (1.00, 1.07)	0.0961	1.03 (1.00, 1.07)	0.084	1.02 (0.99, 1.06)	0.161	1.02 (0.99, 1.06)	0.243	1.03 (0.99, 1.07)	0.211	1.03 (0.99, 1.06)	0.141
LVPWT <sub>s</sub>	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1161	0.98 (0.96, 1.00)	0.058	0.98 (0.96, 1.00)	0.067	0.98 (0.97, 1.00)	0.0571	0.98 (0.96, 1.00)	<b>0.046</b>	0.98 (0.97, 1.00)	0.104	0.99 (0.96, 1.01)	0.274	0.98 (0.96, 1.00)	0.065

<b>LVPWT<sub>a</sub></b>	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1163	0.99 (0.97, 1.01)	0.268	0.99 (0.97, 1.01)	0.308	0.99 (0.97, 1.01)	0.314	0.99 (0.97, 1.01)	0.289	0.99 (0.97, 1.01)	0.454	0.98 (0.95, 1.01)	0.581	0.99 (0.97, 1.01)	0.293
<b>IVS<sub>s</sub></b>	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1161	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.829	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.885	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.934	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.836	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.983	1.00 (0.98, 1.03)	0.946	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.948
<b>IVS<sub>a</sub></b>	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1163	1.00 (0.97, 1.02)	0.782	1.00 (0.97, 1.02)	0.822	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.856	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.899	1.00 (0.98, 1.03)	0.862	1.00 (0.97, 1.04)	0.788	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	0.986

All reported analyses here consisted of generalized linear models with gamma distribution and log link. Significant *p*-values are highlighted in bold.  
*SABRE*, Southall and Brent Revised. Other abbreviations as in **Supplementary Table S1**.

**Supplementary Table S3. Dose response of *APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  carriage when assessing the association between *APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  genotype and echocardiographic data in NSHD.**

Outcome	Cohort	Analysis	n	M1 (unadjusted)		M2 (adjusted for age, sex and SEP)		M3 (M2 + BMI)		M4 (M2 + CVD)		M5 (M2 + diabetes)		M6 (M2 + high cholesterol)		M7 (M2 + HT)	
				Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p-value
MCF	SABRE	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ -linear	158	1.00 (0.94, 1.08)	0.901	1.01 (0.94, 1.08)	0.878	1.01 (0.94, 1.08)	0.779	1.00 (0.94, 1.07)	0.974	1.00 (0.94, 1.07)	0.984	1.01 (0.93, 1.10)	0.873	1.00 (0.94, 1.07)	0.985
	NSHD	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ -linear	916	1.05 (0.95, 1.17)	0.354	1.05 (0.95, 1.17)	0.340	1.06 (0.96, 1.18)	0.230	1.04 (0.93, 1.17)	0.525	1.02 (0.91, 1.14)	0.775	1.02 (0.91, 1.14)	0.802	1.04 (0.94, 1.16)	0.452
	SABRE+NSHD	Meta-analysis (linear)	2074	1.02 (0.96, 1.08)	0.544	1.02 (0.96, 1.08)	0.516	1.03 (0.97, 1.09)	0.906	1.01 (0.95, 1.07)	0.729	1.00 (0.95, 1.07)	0.870	1.01 (0.94, 1.08)	0.780	1.01 (0.96, 1.07)	0.670
	SABRE	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ -quadratic	1158	0.98 (0.93, 1.03)	0.350	0.98 (0.93, 1.03)	0.356	0.98 (0.94, 1.03)	0.404	0.98 (0.94, 1.03)	0.381	0.98 (0.94, 1.03)	0.460	0.98 (0.93, 1.04)	0.499	0.98 (0.93, 1.03)	0.350
	NSHD	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ -quadratic	916	0.99 (0.92, 1.06)	0.713	0.98 (0.92, 1.06)	0.664	1.00 (0.93, 1.07)	0.980	0.98 (0.91, 1.07)	0.660	0.96 (0.89, 1.04)	0.315	0.95 (0.88, 1.03)	0.171	0.99 (0.92, 1.06)	0.676
	SABRE+NSHD	Meta-analysis (quadratic)	2074	0.98 (0.93, 1.03)	0.475	0.98 (0.93, 1.03)	0.451	0.99 (0.94, 1.04)	0.675	0.98 (0.94, 1.02)	0.327	0.98 (0.94, 1.02)	0.251	0.97 (0.92, 1.01)	0.174	0.98 (0.94, 1.02)	0.312

The *APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  genotypes were coded as an ordered category based on the number of  $\epsilon 4$  possessed. Thus, level 0 encompassed  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 2$ ,  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 3$ ,  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 3$ ; level 1  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 4$  and  $\epsilon 3\epsilon 4$ ; and level 2  $\epsilon 4\epsilon 4$ . Given the existence of three levels, generalized linear models with gamma distribution and orthogonal polynomial contrasts with 2 equally spaced levels (i.e., linear and quadratic) were employed to look for a dose response by  $\epsilon 4$  variants.

Model 2 was not adjusted for age in NSHD as all participants are age-matched.

Abbreviations as in **Supplementary Tables S1/S2**.

**Supplementary Table S4. Associations between *APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  genotypes and echocardiographic data at 60-64 years by comparing non-*APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  ( $\epsilon 2\epsilon 2$ ,  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 3$ ,  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 3$ ) with heterozygous-*APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  ( $\epsilon 2\epsilon 4$  and  $\epsilon 3\epsilon 4$ ) and homozygous-*APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  ( $\epsilon 4\epsilon 4$ ) genotypes.**

Outcome	Cohort	Analysis	n	M1 (unadjusted)		M2 (adjusted for age, sex and SEP)		M3 (M2 + BMI)		M4 (M2 + CVD)		M5 (M2 + diabetes)		M6 (M2 + high cholesterol)		M7 (M2 + HT)	
				Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p- value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p- value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p- value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p- value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p- value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p- value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	p- value
MCF	SABRE	Heterozygous- <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	1129	1.03 (1.00, 1.07)	0.089	1.03 (1.00, 1.07)	0.086	1.03 (1.00, 1.07)	0.079	1.03 (0.99, 1.06)	0.139	1.02 (0.99, 1.06)	0.215	1.03 (0.99, 1.08)	0.201	1.03 (0.99, 1.07)	0.121
	NSHD	Heterozygous- <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	890	1.05 (1.00, 1.12)	0.070	1.06 (1.00, 1.12)	0.053	1.05 (0.99, 1.11)	0.104	1.05 (0.99, 1.12)	0.129	1.06 (1.00, 1.13)	<b>0.049</b>	1.08 (1.02, 1.15)	<b>0.015</b>	1.05 (0.99, 1.11)	0.098
	Both	Meta-analysis	2019	1.04 (1.01, 1.07)	<b>0.016</b>	1.04 (1.01, 1.07)	<b>0.013</b>	1.04 (1.01, 1.07)	<b>0.018</b>	1.03 (1.00, 1.06)	<b>0.043</b>	1.03 (1.00, 1.07)	0.060	1.05 (1.00, 1.10)	<b>0.040</b>	1.03 (1.00, 1.06)	<b>0.028</b>
	SABRE	Homozygous- <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	865	1.01 (0.92, 1.11)	0.901	1.01 (0.92, 1.11)	0.882	1.02 (0.92, 1.12)	0.746	1.00 (0.91, 1.11)	0.971	1.00 (0.91, 1.10)	0.980	1.01 (0.90, 1.14)	0.883	1.00 (0.91, 1.11)	0.967
	NSHD	Homozygous- <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	674	1.07 (0.93, 1.25)	0.353	1.08 (0.93, 1.25)	0.336	1.09 (0.94, 1.26)	0.234	1.06 (0.90, 1.26)	0.485	1.02 (0.87, 1.21)	0.786	1.02 (0.87, 1.20)	0.842	1.06 (0.92, 1.23)	0.444
	Both	Meta-analysis	1539	1.03 (0.95, 1.11)	0.544	1.03 (0.95, 1.11)	0.517	1.04 (0.96, 1.13)	0.350	1.02 (0.92, 1.10)	0.704	1.01 (0.93, 1.09)	0.874	1.01 (0.92, 1.11)	0.812	1.02 (0.94, 1.10)	0.652

All reported analyses here consisted of generalized linear models with gamma distribution and log link. Significant *p*-values are highlighted in bold.

Model 2 was not adjusted for age in NSHD as all participants are age-matched.

Abbreviations as in **Supplementary Tables S1/S2**.

**Supplementary Table S5. Associations between *APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  genotypes and stroke volume data by comparing non-*APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  ( $\epsilon 2\epsilon 2$ ,  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 3$ ,  $\epsilon 2\epsilon 3$ ) with any *APOE*  $\epsilon 4$  ( $\epsilon 2\epsilon 4$ ,  $\epsilon 3\epsilon 4$  and  $\epsilon 4\epsilon 4$ ) genotypes in all cohorts.**

Outcome: Stroke Volume		M1 (unadjusted)			M2 (adjusted for age, sex and SEP)		M3 (M2 + BMI)		M4 (M2 + CVD)		M5 (M2 + diabetes)		M6 (M2 + high cholesterol)		M7 (M2 + HT)	
Cohort	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ status	n	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	<i>p</i> - value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	<i>p</i> - value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	<i>p</i> - value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	<i>p</i> - value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	<i>p</i> - value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	<i>p</i> - value	Exp $\beta$ (95% CI)	<i>p</i> - value
ALSPAC	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1333	0.99 (0.95, 1.04)	0.756	1.00 (0.95, 1.05)	0.936	0.99 (0.95, 1.03)	0.613	0.99 (0.95, 1.04)	0.747	0.99 (0.95, 1.04)	0.953	0.98 (0.93, 1.03)	0.442	0.99 (0.94, 1.04)	0.616
NSHD	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1229	1.08 (1.03, 1.12)	<b>0.001</b>	1.06 (1.02, 1.10)	<b>0.006</b>	1.08 (1.03, 1.12)	<b>0.001</b>	1.07 (1.02, 1.12)	<b>0.007</b>	1.08 (1.04, 1.13)	<b>0.0006</b>	1.07 (1.02, 1.12)	<b>0.008</b>	1.08 (1.03, 1.12)	<b>0.001</b>
SABRE	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	1160	1.02 (0.99, 1.05)	0.211	1.02 (0.99, 1.05)	0.148	1.02 (1.00, 1.05)	0.090	1.02 (0.99, 1.05)	0.248	1.02 (0.99, 1.05)	0.306	1.02 (0.99, 1.06)	0.228	1.02 (0.99, 1.05)	0.233
UK Biobank	No <i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref	ref
	<i>APOE</i> $\epsilon 4$ carriers	32644	1.00 (1.00, 1.01)	0.220	1.00 (1.00, 1.01)	0.068	1.01 (1.00, 1.01)	0.060	1.00 (1.00, 1.01)	0.275	1.00 (1.00, 1.01)	0.230	1.00 (1.00, 1.01)	0.233	1.00 (1.00, 1.01)	0.185

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