What Is the Genetic Architecture of Asthma-COPD Overlap Syndrome (ACOS)?



STUDY DESIGN

 Genome-wide association study using UK biobank

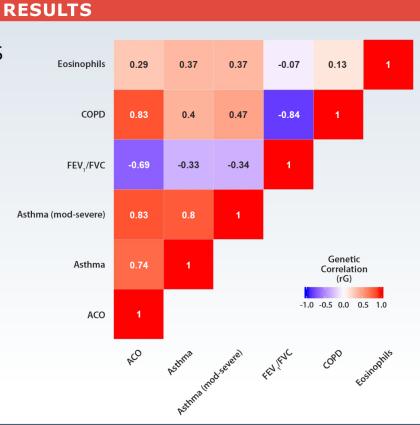
8,068 patients with ACOS

40,360control patients
without asthma or COPD

Identified eight novel signals for ACOS

Spectrum of shared genetic influence with predominantly influencing:

- Asthma FAM105A, GLB1, PHB, TSLP
- Fixed airflow obstruction IL17RD, C5orf56, HLA-DQB1
- One intergenic signal on chromosome 5 not previously associated with asthma, COPD, or lung function



Eight signals for asthma-COPD overlap were identified, which may represent loci that predispose to type 2 inflammation and serious long-term consequences of asthma.