

## International study finds 21 genes tied to cholesterol levels

In a UCL-led study, published in the *American Journal of Human Genetics*, an international consortium of over 180 scientists report the identification of 21 new gene variants associated with cholesterol predictors of heart disease and metabolic disorders.

The findings expand the list of potential targets for drugs and other treatments for lipid-related cardiovascular disease, a leading global cause of death and disability.

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