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GENETICS OF 25-HYDROXY D3

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A new paper in the <u>EJCN</u> examines genetic and non-genetic factors influencing vitamin D serum levels. The authors find 24% of the variability explained by season & intake (& HDL & waist circumference as indicators of body fat) and 29% by genetics. This is somewhat a mystery as 24%+29% is only 53% – where are the remaining 47%? It seems that the authors are also missing <u>earlier work</u> in this area. We observed a higher heritability (and consecutively higher lod scores) which may indicate that asthma families have some peculiarities in the vitamin D system, yea, yea.

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