

## Male puberty timing (Hollis, 2020)

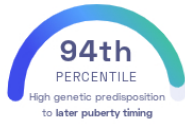
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### STUDY SUMMARY

Identification of 29 novel genomic regions associated with male puberty timing.

#### YOUR RESULT



#### STUDY DESCRIPTION

The timing of puberty, which is the period of sexual maturation for teenage boys and girls, varies widely across individuals. It is a trait that is determined by a combination of environmental and genetic factors. This study aimed to understand the genetic basis of male puberty timing specifically, using voice breaking as a proxy for puberty. To this end, the researchers examined the genomes of over 200,000 males of European descent. The study discovered 76 genomic regions associated with male puberty timing, 29 of which are novel. These genomic regions are linked to genes, such as ALX4 and SRD5A2, which are involved in a growth factor signaling and the conversion of *testosterone* into a more potent male hormone, dihydrotestosterone. Moreover, the study identified unexpected genetic links between puberty timing and hair color. For example, males with darker hair colors were more likely to have earlier puberty timing relative to males with lighter hair color.

















#### DID YOU KNOW?

During puberty, a male's larynx, or "voice-box," actually increases in size. This allows the vocal cords to grow thicker such that when they vibrate, the voice sounds deeper.

#### YOUR DETAILED RESULTS

To calculate your genetic predisposition to later puberty timing we summed up the effects of genetic variants that were linked to later puberty timing in the [study that this report is based on](#). These variants can be found in the table below. The variants highlighted in green have **positive effect sizes** and increase your genetic predisposition to later puberty timing. The variants highlighted in blue have **negative effect sizes** and decrease your genetic predisposition to later puberty timing. Variants that are not highlighted are not found in your genome and do not affect your genetic predisposition to later puberty timing. By adding up the effect sizes of the highlighted variants we calculated your **polygenic score for later puberty timing to be 1.96**. To determine whether your score is high or low, we compared it to the scores of 5,000 other Nebula Genomics users. We found that your polygenic score for later puberty timing is in the **94th percentile**. This means that it is higher than the polygenic scores 94% of people. We consider this to be a **high genetic predisposition to later puberty timing**. However, please note that genetic predispositions do not account for important non-genetic factors like lifestyle. Furthermore, the genetics of most traits has not been fully understood yet and many associations between traits and genetic variants remain unknown. For additional explanations, click on the column titles in the table below and visit our [Nebula Library tutorial](#).

VARIANT <sup>Ⓞ</sup>	YOUR GENOTYPE <sup>Ⓞ</sup>	EFFECT SIZE <sup>Ⓞ</sup>	VARIANT FREQUENCY <sup>Ⓞ</sup>	SIGNIFICANCE <sup>Ⓞ</sup>
rs11166429_T	G / G	0.05 (-)	63%	3.49 x 10 <sup>-52</sup>
rs1659127_A	G / A	0.05 (↑)	35%	4.33 x 10 <sup>-47</sup>
rs142058842_G	G / G	0.05 (↑)	12%	8.67 x 10 <sup>-36</sup>
rs9408817_G	G / G	0.04 (↑)	67%	1.30 x 10 <sup>-32</sup>
rs6589961_T	T / T	0.04 (↑)	62%	2.40 x 10 <sup>-30</sup>
rs1856502_T	T / T	0.04 (↑)	27%	3.14 x 10 <sup>-28</sup>
rs71578952_C <small>NEW</small>	T / C	0.04 (↑)	46%	8.42 x 10 <sup>-28</sup>
rs2222746_T <small>NEW</small>	G / T	0.05 (↑)	8%	9.00 x 10 <sup>-28</sup>
rs73182377_C <small>NEW</small>	C / C	0.04 (↑)	77%	1.93 x 10 <sup>-24</sup>
rs2186245_C	C / C	0.04 (↑)	76%	6.07 x 10 <sup>-22</sup>
rs10980922_T <small>NEW</small>	A / A	0.06 (-)	11%	7.02 x 10 <sup>-22</sup>
rs3824915_G <small>NEW</small>	C / G	0.03 (↑)	43%	1.05 x 10 <sup>-20</sup>
rs77578010_A <small>NEW</small>	G / G	0.04 (-)	21%	1.05 x 10 <sup>-20</sup>
rs7402990_G <small>NEW</small>	G / G	0.05 (↑)	93%	1.35 x 10 <sup>-18</sup>
rs17833789_C <small>NEW</small>	A / A	0.03 (-)	64%	5.89 x 10 <sup>-18</sup>
rs17190166_C	C / A	0.03 (↑)	66%	7.56 x 10 <sup>-18</sup>
rs10919759_A	G / A	0.03 (↑)	49%	5.29 x 10 <sup>-17</sup>
rs62379978_G	T / T	0.04 (-)	13%	7.41 x 10 <sup>-17</sup>
rs34437050_A	NA	0.13 (-)	1%	2.31 x 10 <sup>-16</sup>
rs12203592_C <small>NEW</small>	C / C	0.04 (↑)	91%	9.58 x 10 <sup>-16</sup>
rs112881196_G <small>NEW</small>	NA	0.08 (-)	2%	2.02 x 10 <sup>-15</sup>
rs35063026_T <small>NEW</small>	NA	0.05 (-)	4%	2.08 x 10 <sup>-15</sup>
rs6014657_C	C / A	0.03 (↑)	83%	1.32 x 10 <sup>-14</sup>
rs6006984_C <small>NEW</small>	T / T	0.03 (-)	43%	2.48 x 10 <sup>-14</sup>
rs9690350_C <small>NEW</small>	G / C	0.03 (↑)	46%	3.19 x 10 <sup>-14</sup>
rs6560353_G	G / G	0.03 (↑)	75%	9.66 x 10 <sup>-14</sup>
rs138625771_C	NA	0.09 (-)	1%	8.78 x 10 <sup>-13</sup>
rs3743266_T	T / C	0.02 (↑)	70%	2.41 x 10 <sup>-12</sup>
rs2923177_T <small>NEW</small>	G / G	0.02 (-)	61%	3.41 x 10 <sup>-12</sup>
rs12766208_G <small>NEW</small>	G / C	0.03 (↑)	79%	3.60 x 10 <sup>-12</sup>
rs7906367_G <small>NEW</small>	C / C	0.03 (-)	37%	4.71 x 10 <sup>-12</sup>
rs6925777_T <small>NEW</small>	T / T	0.02 (↑)	50%	4.87 x 10 <sup>-12</sup>
rs7853970_T	T / T	0.02 (↑)	43%	6.84 x 10 <sup>-12</sup>
rs7136086_C <small>NEW</small>	T / C	0.03 (↑)	27%	1.35 x 10 <sup>-11</sup>
rs10110581_G <small>NEW</small>	A / A	0.03 (-)	25%	2.31 x 10 <sup>-11</sup>
rs767657_T <small>NEW</small>	T / T	0.02 (↑)	37%	2.32 x 10 <sup>-11</sup>
rs2842385_G	A / G	0.03 (↑)	21%	2.62 x 10 <sup>-11</sup>
rs1121980_G	G / A	0.02 (↑)	57%	3.32 x 10 <sup>-11</sup>

rs1514177_G	G / G	0.02 (↑)	55%	6.10 x 10 <sup>-11</sup>
rs2049045_C	G / G	0.03 (-)	16%	9.66 x 10 <sup>-11</sup>
rs4664605_C	C / C	0.02 (↑)	36%	9.91 x 10 <sup>-11</sup>
rs11836880_G 	NA	-0.05 (-)	4%	1.05 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs4900184_T 	T / C	0.02 (↑)	39%	1.24 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs58611096_A	T / T	0.02 (-)	30%	1.43 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs10164560_A 	G / A	0.02 (↑)	37%	1.66 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs12896406_A 	A / G	0.02 (↑)	48%	2.76 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs10934420_C	T / C	0.02 (↑)	48%	3.03 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs438830_A	A / G	0.03 (↑)	24%	3.20 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs1598666_A	G / G	0.02 (-)	23%	3.56 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs7896371_T	C / C	0.02 (-)	44%	3.77 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs6486116_A	C / C	0.02 (-)	33%	4.89 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs2473234_A	C / C	0.03 (-)	14%	4.98 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs835648_A 	T / T	0.02 (-)	29%	5.25 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs780094_T 	T / C	0.02 (↑)	39%	7.77 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs6670873_C	C / C	0.03 (↑)	80%	9.04 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>
rs10188334_T	C / C	0.03 (-)	15%	1.44 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
rs11190751_C	C / C	0.02 (↑)	67%	1.96 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
rs1979835_A 	G / G	0.03 (-)	10%	2.52 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
rs12930815_C 	C / C	0.02 (↑)	44%	2.55 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
rs12940636_C 	T / C	0.02 (↑)	28%	3.59 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
rs913588_G	G / G	0.02 (↑)	58%	5.91 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
rs11603453_T	C / T	0.02 (↑)	36%	5.99 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
rs11671893_T	T / T	0.03 (↑)	90%	6.01 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
rs583269_T	T / C	0.02 (↑)	52%	1.13 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs2311380_A	T / A	0.02 (↑)	77%	1.31 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs60856990_A 	G / G	0.02 (-)	26%	1.33 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs6473008_C	T / T	0.02 (-)	59%	1.39 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs17193410_G 	G / A	0.03 (↑)	90%	1.51 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs4911442_G 	G / A	0.03 (↑)	7%	1.69 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs11761054_C 	C / C	-0.02 (↓)	70%	2.21 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs10765711_C 	C / G	0.02 (↑)	64%	2.91 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs61168554_A	A / G	0.02 (↑)	62%	3.76 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs12983109_G 	G / G	0.02 (↑)	83%	3.82 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs11873906_G	G / A	0.02 (↑)	26%	4.16 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs4717905_C	C / C	0.02 (↑)	21%	4.26 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
rs4801593_T 	A / T	0.02 (↑)	21%	4.51 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>

N/A indicates variants that could not be imputed using the 1000 genomes project datasets and variants that have a frequency of < 5%. Your genome was sequenced at 30x/100x coverage and is not imputed. However, to calculate percentiles, we need to compare your data with other users imputed data. To make the data comparable, we need to exclude some of the variants from your data.