

**Table S1.** Test Statistics for total hemocyte count by sex and population.

	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Std. Error</b>	<b>t value</b>	<b>Pr(&gt; t )</b>
(Intercept)	15716	1927	8.156	1.31e-09
PopulationSweden	-1853	2340	-0.792	0.434
SexMale	-1790	2350	-0.762	0.451

**Table S2.** Test Statistics for total number of Phagocytosing cells.

<b>Fixed effects: Tot.no.of.cells ~ Population + Sex</b>					
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Std.Error</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>t-value</b>	<b>p-value</b>
(Intercept)	48.95381	6.345961	306	7.714168	0.0000
PopulationSpain	12.63784	7.328444	41	1.724492	0.0922
SexM	-19.04693	7.328444	41	-2.599042	0.0129

**Table S3.** Averages of proportion of phagocytic cell types by sex and population in percentages M= average, SD = standard deviation.

	Sweden				Spain			
	Female		Male		Female		Male	
	M	SD	M	SD	M	SD	M	SD
Phagocytic granulo-cytes (%)	89.05	6.51	81.83	5.91	88.92	3.61	84.76	11.97
Phagocytic plasmato-cytes (%)	3.21	2.15	6.52	6.32	3.82	4.29	7.83	8.48
Phagocytic oenocytoids (%)	7.75	5.07	11.66	4.05	7.27	2.48	7.39	4.04

**Table S4.** Test Statistics for proportion of Granulocytes between populations and sex.

<b>Fixed effects: Prop_Gran ~ Population + Sex</b>					
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Std.Error</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>t-value</b>	<b>p-value</b>
(Intercept)	0.8500781	0.02208492	306	38.49134	0.0000
PopulationSpain	-0.0325426	0.02550832	41	-1.27576	0.2092
SexM	-0.0488211	0.02550832	41	-1.91393	0.0626

**Table S5.** Test Statistics for proportion of Plasmacytoids between populations and sex.

<b>Fixed effects: Prop_Plasm ~ Population + Sex</b>					
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Std.Error</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>t-value</b>	<b>p-value</b>
(Intercept)	0.06973702	0.01936436	306	3.601307	0.0004
PopulationSpain	0.05291232	0.02236563	41	2.365787	0.0228
SexM	0.03345132	0.02236563	41	1.495657	0.1424

**Table S6.** Test Statistics for proportion of Oenocytoids between populations and sex.

Fixed effects: Prop_Oeno ~ Population * Sex					
	Value	Std.Error	DF	t-value	p-value
(Intercept)	0.06977273	0.01074684	306	6.492396	0.0000
PopulationSpain	0.00102273	0.01519832	40	0.067292	0.9467
SexM	0.03746586	0.01522313	40	2.461113	0.0183
PopulationSpain:SexM	-0.04371586	0.02151123	40	-2.032235	0.0488

**Table S7.** Test Statistics for total number of phagocytosing cells between population and sex.

Fixed effects: Tot.Phag.Tot.no.cells ~ Population + Sex					
	Value	Std.Error	DF	t-value	p-value
(Intercept)	0.7683284	0.02908282	306	26.418639	0.0000
PopulationSpain	-0.1338387	0.03358841	41	-3.984669	0.0003
SexM	0.0758705	0.03358841	41	2.258830	0.0293

**Table S8.** Test statistics for proportion of phagocytes between population and sex as measured by flowcytometry.

	Estimate	Std.Error	tvalue	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-0.28436	0.10548	-2.696	0.008040
PopulationSweden	0.49947	0.13242	3.772	0.000254
SexMale	0.01866	0.12947	0.144	0.885617

**Table S9.** Test Statistics for proportion of phagocytosing granulocytes.

Fixed effects: Prop_Phag_Gran ~ Population + Sex					
	Value	Std.Error	DF	t-value	p-value
(Intercept)	0.8814641	0.02014210	306	43.76228	0.0000
PopulationSpain	0.0151401	0.02326553	41	0.65075	0.5188
SexM	-0.0605946	0.02326553	41	-2.60448	0.0128

**Table S10.** Test Statistics for proportion of phagocytosing plasmatocytes.

Fixed effects: Prop_Phag_Plasm ~ Population + Sex					
	Value	Std.Error	DF	t-value	p-value
(Intercept)	0.03105434	0.01494720	306	2.0776024	0.0386
PopulationSpain	0.00914131	0.01726409	41	0.5294985	0.5993
SexM	0.03767687	0.01726409	41	2.1823837	0.0349

**Table S11.** Test Statistics for proportion of phagocytosing oenocytoids.

Fixed effects: Prop_Phag_Oeno ~ Population + Sex					
	Value	Std.Error	DF	t-value	p-value
(Intercept)	0.08854209	0.01096815	306	8.072658	0.0000
PopulationSpain	-0.02447054	0.01267218	41	-1.931044	0.0604
SexM	0.02231145	0.01267218	41	1.760663	0.0858

**Table S12.** Test Statistics for propensity of granulocytes to perform phagocytosis.

	Estimate	Std.	Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	1.3910		0.1704	8.162	3.98e-10
PopulationSpain	-0.6058		0.1953	-3.103	0.00347
SexM	0.4533		0.1940	2.337	0.02442

**Table S13.** Test Statistics for propensity of plasmacytoid dendritic cells to perform phagocytosis.

	Estimate	Std.	Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-0.4672		0.2461	-1.899	0.0647
PopulationSpain	-0.9893		0.2963	-3.339	0.0018
SexM	0.7188		0.2949	2.437	0.0192

**Table S14.** Test Statistics for propensity of oenocytoids to perform phagocytosis.

	Estimate	Std.	Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	1.7119		0.2341	7.313	5.97e-09
PopulationSpain	-1.0185		0.2680	-3.801	0.000471
SexM	0.8344		0.2633	3.169	0.002887

**Table S15.** Distribution of  $F_{ST}$  values G stands for genome-wise values, whereas P is the phagocytosis genes values.

Percentile	SNPs				Gene level			
	F <sub>ST</sub> within genes		F <sub>ST</sub> 5kb genes		F <sub>ST</sub> within genes		F <sub>ST</sub> 5kb genes	
	G	P	G	P	G	P	G	P
100%	1	0,308	1	0.714	0.795	0.142	0.638	0.079
99.5%	0.329	0,256	0.350	0.273	0.268	0.142	0.201	0.079
97.5%	0.191	0,191	0.204	0.178	0.141	0.097	0.118	0.064
75%	0.065	0,068	0.065	0.063	0.059	0.060	0.063	0.054
50%	0.034	0,032	0.033	0.033	0.043	0.041	0.053	0.049
2.5%	0.002	0,003	0.002	0.003	0	0	0.033	0.036
0%	0	0,001	0	0	0	0	0	0.036
Average	0.049	0,049	0.050	0.047	0.049	0,038	0.058	0.049
Std Dev	0.057	0,049	0.059	0.049	0.042	0,027	0.026	0.007

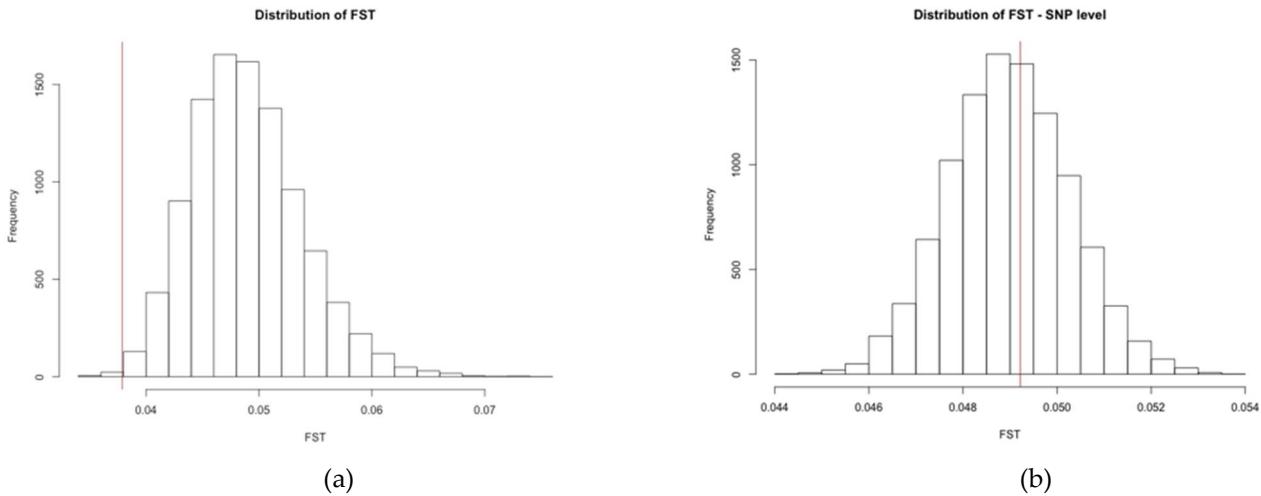
**Table S16.** The significant GO terms with  $p < 0.01$  of the SNPs with the highest 2.5 % values (exons only).

GO_term	Annotated	Significant	Expected	classicFisher
GO:1901135 carbohydrate derivative metabolic process	159	36	21.50	0.00092
GO:0006471 protein ADP-ribosylation	3	3	0.41	0.00246
GO:1901136 carbohydrate derivative catabolic proces	9	5	1.22	0.00350
GO:0000270 peptidoglycan metabolic process	6	4	0.81	0.00396
GO:0006027 glycosaminoglycan catabolic process	6	4	0.81	0.00396

GO:0009253	peptidoglycan catabolic process	6	4	0.81	0.00396
GO:0044710	single-organism metabolic process	781	129	105.63	0.00404
GO:0005975	carbohydrate metabolic process	176	36	23.80	0.00585
GO:0046434	organophosphate catabolic process	10	5	1.35	0.00622
GO:0006026	aminoglycan catabolic process	7	4	0.95	0.00825
GO:0009166	nucleotide catabolic process	7	4	0.95	0.00825
GO:1901292	nucleoside phosphate catabolic process	7	4	0.95	0.00825

**Table S17.** The GO terms with terms with  $p < 0.01$  of the SNPs with the highest 2.5 % FST values (with 5kb both sides).

GO_term	Annotated	Significant	Expected	classicFisher
GO:0006508	proteolysis	380	45	14.90
GO:0008152	metabolic process	2436	119	95.54
GO:0006542	glutamine biosynthetic process	5	3	0.20
GO:0044710	single-organism metabolic process	781	46	30.63
GO:0019538	protein metabolic process	872	50	34.20
GO:0006541	glutamine metabolic process	7	3	0.27
GO:0055114	oxidation-reduction process	391	26	15.34
GO:0008652	cellular amino acid biosynthetic process	19	4	0.75
GO:1901607	alpha-amino acid biosynthetic process	19	4	0.75
GO:0009084	glutamine family amino acid biosynthetic...	11	3	0.43
GO:0009064	glutamine family amino acid metabolic pr...	13	3	0.51
GO:0016053	organic acid biosynthetic process	28	4	1.10
GO:0046394	carboxylic acid biosynthetic process	28	4	1.10
GO:0006265	DNA topological change	7	2	0.27
GO:1901605	alpha-amino acid metabolic process	33	4	1.29



**Figure 1.** Distribution plots of the permutations for genome-wide FST, left (a) calculated per gene, right (b) per SNP. The red line denotes the averages of these values for the phagocytosis genes.