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Sleep Disruption and Duration are Associated with Variants in Genes Involved in Energy Homeostasis in Adults with HIV/AIDS

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Abstract

Objective: To determine whether selected genes and plasma markers involved in energy homeostasis are associated with sleep disruption or duration in adults with HIV/AIDS.

Methods: A sample of 289 adults with HIV/AIDS wore a wrist actigraph for 72 hours to estimate total sleep time (TST) and wake after sleep onset (WASO). Twenty-three single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNP) spanning 5 energy homeostasis genes (adiponectin [*ADIPOQ*], ghrelin [*GHRL*], leptin [*LEP*], peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor-alpha [*PPARA*], and -gamma [*PPARG*]) were genotyped using a custom array. Plasma markers of energy homeostasis (adiponectin, ghrelin, leptin) were measured by commercial multiplex assay.

Results: After adjusting for demographic and clinical characteristics (race/ethnicity, gender, CD4 cell count, waist circumference, medications), both WASO and TST were associated with SNPs in *ADIPOQ* (rs182052), *LEP* (rs10244329, rs3828942), *PPARA* (rs135551, rs4253655), and *PPARG* (rs709151). Additional SNPs in *ADIPOQ* were associated with WASO (rs1501299, rs3821799, rs6773957) and TST (rs2241766). TST was also associated with SNPs in *GHRL* (rs26802), *LEP* (rs11760956), *PPARA* (rs135547, rs8138102, rs4253776), and *PPARG* (rs12490265, rs796313). Many covariate-adjusted associations involved a significant interaction with markers of HIV (viral load, years since diagnosis). Among plasma markers, higher adiponectin was associated with less WASO, higher ghrelin and glucose levels with shorter TST, and higher leptin with longer TST.

Conclusions: Replication of SNPs in all five genes and three plasma markers of energy homeostasis were associated with objective sleep measures. HIV disease influenced many of the associations. Findings strengthen evidence for associations between energy homeostasis genetics and poor sleep, and provide direction for pharmacological intervention research.

Keywords: metabolism, adiponectin, leptin, ghrelin, peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor, actigraphy

Highlights

- Sleep disruption and duration are not independent sleep parameters.
- 17 SNPs from five candidate genes involved in energy homeostasis (*ADIPOQ*, *GHRL*, *LEP*, *PPARA*, and *PPARG*) were associated with sleep disruption and/or duration in adults with HIV/AIDS.
- Higher plasma adiponectin was associated with less WASO; higher ghrelin and glucose levels were associated with shorter TST; and higher leptin was associated with longer TST.
- Poor sleep is prevalent in HIV-positive adults, and adjusting for HIV clinical indicators is important when assessing genetic associations with poor sleep.
- Results provide direction for developing precision pharmacologic therapy to improve sleep.

1. Introduction

Sleep disturbance is a common symptom in chronic illness populations, and it is estimated that up to 75% of adults with human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) experience sleep problems [1]. Their most common sleep complaints are difficulty staying asleep [2-4] and short sleep duration [3, 5]. Energy metabolism has a reciprocal relationship with circadian clocks [6, 7], has been linked to poor sleep in animal models and humans [8-12], and is elevated in HIV-infected individuals [13, 14]. A genome-wide association study has also identified body mass index (BMI) relationships with self-reported long and short sleep duration [15]. However, research is limited on relationships between sleep parameters specifically using objective measures, and genes related to energy metabolism and energy balance in adults with HIV.

White adipose tissue (WAT) is the body's primary tissue for energy storage and has a major role in energy homeostasis. WAT secretes adiponectin, a peptide hormone involved in maintaining energy balance and regulating insulin sensitivity in liver and muscle. The expression of the adiponectin gene (*ADIPOQ*) is inversely associated with total WAT mass and food intake (and therefore obesity). Insulin resistance, obesity, and type 2 diabetes are key components of metabolic syndrome, which we previously showed to be prevalent in the HIV/AIDS cohort also evaluated herein [16]. Leptin and ghrelin are also important peptide hormones involved in energy homeostasis. Like adiponectin, leptin is secreted by WAT and suppresses appetite, and therefore affects energy equilibrium. Ghrelin is secreted mainly in the gut and acts on the central nervous system to regulate appetite and energy balance. In humans, sleep duration is an important factor influencing leptin and ghrelin levels, and chronic short sleep duration is associated with low leptin and high ghrelin levels [10, 11, 17].

Two key transcriptional factors that regulate genes in fat metabolism are in the peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor (PPAR) family of nuclear receptors [18]. While PPAR-alpha (PPAR α) is expressed chiefly in the liver, it is expressed at lower levels throughout the body [18]. PPAR-gamma (PPAR γ) is expressed mainly in WAT to control triglyceride storage and adipocyte differentiation and is associated with insulin sensitivity [18].

Variations in levels of adiponectin [19], ghrelin, leptin [20], PPAR α [21, 22] and PPAR γ [19] have been reported in relation to sleep in animal models [19, 22] and humans [20]. Similarly, variations in levels of adiponectin [23], ghrelin [24], leptin [25], PPAR α [26], and PPAR γ [27] have been reported in HIV-infected adults. Leptin [25], adiponectin [28], PPAR α and PPAR γ [29] gene polymorphisms have also been associated with metabolic abnormalities in HIV-infected individuals. Similarly, gene polymorphisms in adiponectin[30], leptin [31], ghrelin [32], and PPAR γ [33] have been associated with sleep-related phenotypes such as sleep duration or sleep apnea in other populations. However, no research to date has evaluated variations in biomarkers (i.e., single nucleotide polymorphisms, plasma levels) of these genes and objective sleep measures in the context of HIV infection, where sleep disturbance is prevalent and multifactorial.

The purpose of this study was to determine whether objectively measured sleep disruption and duration, in a sample of adults with HIV infection, are associated with single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) in five select genes related to energy homeostasis (i.e., adiponectin [*ADIPOQ*], ghrelin [*GHRL*], leptin [*LEP*], PPAR α [*PPARA*], PPAR γ [*PPARG*]) previously identified to be associated with sleep and HIV in other studies. We describe the relative contributions of variations in each gene to the variance in sleep disruption and duration.

Finally, circulating levels of adiponectin, ghrelin, and leptin were evaluated to determine their relationships with sleep parameters and variations in energy homeostasis genes.

2. Material and methods

2.1 Participants and setting

The Symptom and Genetic Study was a longitudinal study aimed at identifying biomarkers (i.e., genetic, protein) of symptom experience among HIV-infected adults [34]. We previously reported the impact of circadian regulation and cytokine biomarkers on sleep and fatigue in adults with HIV [35-39]. This analysis focuses on a cross-sectional evaluation of genetic and plasma biomarkers of energy homeostasis and relationships to sleep outcomes at the initial visit, which was defined *a priori*. The Committee on Human Research at the University of California at San Francisco (UCSF) approved the study protocol. Participants were recruited using flyers posted at local HIV clinics and community sites. Participants provided written informed consent and signed a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act release to access their protected medical information. Study visits were conducted at the UCSF Clinical Research Center.

Eligible participants were English-speaking adults at least 18 years of age in whom HIV had been diagnosed at least 30 days before enrollment. To specifically address HIV-related symptom experience, potential participants were excluded if they currently used illicit drugs (as determined by self-report or positive urine drug testing); worked nights (i.e., between 24:00 and 06:00); reported bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, or dementia; or were pregnant within the prior 3 months. Participants were not excluded for insomnia, but were excluded for other diagnosed sleep disorders, such as apnea or narcolepsy.

2.2 Measures

2.2.1 Demographic, clinical, and laboratory characteristics

A demographic questionnaire was used to collect information about the participant's age, gender, race, ethnicity, and employment status. Health history (i.e., time since HIV diagnosis, prior AIDS diagnosis) and current medication regimen were obtained by self-report. Medications were categorized as antiretroviral therapy, sleep medication, anxiolytic, antidepressant, neuroleptic, opiate, antiemetic, or anti-histamine based on their potential effect on sleep. Lifestyle factors likely to exacerbate sleep disturbance (smoking and daily consumption of caffeine and alcohol) were assessed using a 3-day diary. Trained research staff obtained waist circumference and body mass index (BMI; weight in kilograms divided by squared height in meters) during a visit to the Clinical Research Center. CD4+ T-cell count and HIV viral load values were obtained from the most recent laboratory report in the patient's medical record.

2.2.2 Gene selection and genotyping

Five candidate genes related to energy homeostasis were selected for analysis as part of the Symptom and Genetics Study. Genomic DNA was extracted from peripheral blood mononuclear cells and maintained by the UCSF Genomic Markers of Symptoms Tissue Bank [40, 41] using the PUREGene DNA Isolation System (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA). Of the 350 participants recruited, DNA could be isolated from 348.

Genotyping was performed blinded to clinical status and included positive and negative controls. DNA samples were quantitated with a Nanodrop Spectrophotometer (ND-1000; Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA) and normalized to a concentration of 50 ng/ μ L (diluted in 10 mM Tris/1 mM <u>ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid [EDTA]</u>). Samples were genotyped using the GoldenGate genotyping platform (Illumina, San Diego, CA) and processed according to the

standard protocol using GenomeStudio (Illumina). Signal intensity profiles and resulting genotype calls for each SNP were visually inspected by two blinded reviewers. Disagreements were resolved by a third reviewer.

A combination of tagging SNPs and literature-driven SNPs (i.e., SNPs reported as being associated with altered function) were selected for analysis. Initially, SNPs reported in the literature as being associated with energy metabolism, sleep parameters, and/or HIV and its treatment in different studies were identified and forced into the tagSNP selection. Tagging SNPs were required to be common (defined as having a minor allele frequency ≥ 0.05) in public databases (e.g., HapMap Phase I [http://www.hapmap.org]), were required to meet an r^2 cut-off of 0.85, and informative in the major racial and ethnic groups represented in the cohort (i.e., African American, Caucasian, Hispanic) using Snagger for tagSNP selection [42]. In order to ensure robust genetic association analyses, quality-control filtering of SNPs was performed. All SNPs had call rates > 95% and four SNPs were excluded with Hardy-Weinberg P values < 0.001. To maximize the power to detect genetic associations due to common genetic risk factors, SNPs with allele frequencies < 5% (n = 1) or with fewer than three individuals homozygous for the rare allele (n = 2) were also excluded from analysis. In order to control for potential confounding due to population substructure (e.g., race/ethnicity), 106 ancestry informative marker (AIM) SNPs selected to differentiate the common racial (i.e., African American, Caucasian) and ethnic (Hispanic) groups were genotyped. Twenty-three SNPs among the 5 candidate genes (i.e., ADIPOQ, GHRL, LEP, PPARA, PPARG) passed all quality-control filters and were included in the genetic association analyses.

2.2.3 Plasma markers

For selected plasma measures of energy homeostasis (leptin, ghrelin, adiponectin), blood samples were centrifuged and plasma was stored at –80°C until samples were assayed. Insulin and C-peptide, which were included on a commercially designed analyte panel, were also evaluated. Samples were assayed in duplicate using the Luminex xMAP multiplex platform by Millipore, Inc (BioMarker Services, Millipore, St. Charles, MO), and the mean of the two assays was used for subsequent analyses. The within and between assay coefficients of variation were acceptable for leptin (<10% and <20%), ghrelin (<10% and <20%), adiponectin (<10% and <15%), insulin (<10% and <15%), and C-peptide (<10% and <15%). Fasting glucose levels were obtained from the participant's medical record.

2.2.4 Actigraphy and sleep diary

Sleep parameters were estimated with a noninvasive battery-operated wrist actigraph microprocessor with a piezoelectric beam that detects movement and acceleration (Mini Motionlogger Actigraph model AAM-32, Ambulatory Monitoring, Inc. Ardsley, NY). Actigraphy provides continuous movement counts and data were sampled in 30-sec epochs using zero-crossing mode. The actigraphy monitor was worn continuously on the nondominant wrist for 72 h on three consecutive weekdays between Monday and Friday to control for potential weekend variability and to reduce subject burden in this chronic illness population. Sleep diaries were also completed each morning and evening of the actigraphy monitoring period for the purpose of cross-validating bedtimes and wake times. Wrist actigraphy has been validated with polysomnography measures of sleep and wake time for healthy and disturbed sleepers [43-45]. Bedtime and final wake times were determined by one of two approaches: 1) participant pressing the event marker on the actigraph to indicate "lights out" and "lights on" or 2) if no reliable

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event marker indication, the diary entry of clock time was used if it matched with a 50% change in movement during the same 10-min block of time on actigraphy.

The primary sleep outcomes were wake after sleep onset (WASO) and total sleep time (TST) in minutes. The Cole-Kripke algorithm was used to calculate WASO and TST using an automatic sleep scoring program (Action4® Software Program, Ambulatory Monitoring Inc.) to reduce researcher scoring bias. WASO was standardized as a percentage of the person's TST to control for varying sleep durations. The intraclass correlation coefficient across the 3 nights was 0.83 for WASO and 0.76 for TST. The 3-night means for WASO and TST were used for all analyses.

2.3 Statistical analysis

All analyses were conducted using Stata (version 11.2, College Station, TX). Descriptive statistics were used to summarize demographic, clinical, and biomarker characteristics. To normalize skewed distributions, a square root transformation was applied to WASO and CD4+ T-cell counts, a log transformation was applied to HIV viral load, plasma ghrelin, and plasma leptin values, and an inverse transform (1/x) was applied to fasting glucose values. CD4+ T-cell count and HIV viral load were analyzed as continuous variables and also in clinically meaningful categories. Demographic and clinical associations with WASO and TST were evaluated using Spearman *rho* correlations, independent sample *t*-tests, or analysis of variance with Scheffé *post hoc* tests. Mann-Whitney U tests were used for group comparisons of plasma levels. Allele and genotype frequencies were determined by gene counting. Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium was assessed by the chi-square exact test.

2.3.1 Genetic associations with sleep parameters

Unadjusted genetic associations with WASO and TST were evaluated using linear regression models predicting the sleep parameter. Three genetic models (i.e., additive, dominant, recessive) were tested, and the model that best fit the data by maximizing the significance of the P value, barring trivial improvements (delta <10%), was reported for each SNP. All genetic regression models fitting genetic variations controlled for genomic estimates of ancestry (described below), as well as self-reported race/ethnicity (i.e., White/Caucasian, Black/African American, other), and all demographic, clinical, and laboratory variables associated (P<0.10) with the sleep parameter being predicted were evaluated as potential covariates. Variables were retained as covariates in all adjusted models if significant (P<0.05) prior to including genotype in the model. A model was fit for each genetic marker to estimate its contribution to WASO and TST when controlling for relevant demographic and clinical covariates. Given evidence that HIV interacts with many metabolic markers [46, 47], interactions between each genetic marker and measures of HIV exposure (i.e., HIV viral load, time since HIV diagnosis) were also evaluated.

2.3.2 Associations between plasma markers and sleep parameters

Unadjusted associations between plasma markers of energy homeostasis and WASO and TST were assessed using Spearman *rho* correlations. As in the genetic models, adjusted associations were evaluated using linear regression models predicting the sleep parameter while controlling for relevant demographic and clinical covariates. A model was fit for each plasma marker to estimate its contribution to the sleep parameter when controlling for relevant covariates. All regression models controlled for genomic estimates of ancestry (described below), as well as self-reported race/ethnicity (i.e., White/Caucasian, Black/African American, other). In addition, all demographic and clinical variables associated (P<0.10) with the sleep parameter being predicted were evaluated as potential covariates. Variables were retained as

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covariates in all adjusted models if their significance was P<0.05 prior to including the plasma marker in the model. Given evidence that HIV interacts with many of these markers [46, 47], interactions between each plasma marker and measures of HIV exposure (i.e., HIV viral load, time since HIV diagnosis) were also evaluated. In addition, given the sex differences in many of the plasma markers [48, 49], interactions between gender (i.e., male, female, transgender) and each plasma marker were also evaluated. Differences in plasma markers were also evaluated for all genotypes associated with sleep parameters.

Ancestry informative markers (AIMs) are used to minimize potential bias due to population substructure [50-52]. Homogeneity in ancestry among participants was estimated by principal component analysis with orthogonal rotation [53] using HelixTree software (GoldenHelix, Bozeman, MT). With 106 AIMs included in this analysis, principal components (PC) were sought that distinguished the major racial/ethnic groups (i.e., White/Caucasian, Black/African American, Hispanic, other) by visual inspection of scatterplots of orthogonal PCs (e.g., PC1 versus PC2, PC2 versus PC3). The first three PCs were sufficient to distinguish the racial and ethnic groups and were included as covariates in all adjusted regression models to better control for genomic differences in ancestry.

3. Results

3.1 Sample characteristics

A convenience sample of 350 adults with HIV was enrolled in the study, and 61 participants were excluded prior to analysis due to screening positive for illicit drugs (n=31), unable to submit a urine or blood sample (n=2), and having incomplete or invalid actigraphy data (n=28), An additional 12 participants were missing valid actigraphy data for the initial visit, and actigraphy data were used from a subsequent visit. Sample characteristics for the 289

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participants are in Table 1. The sample was ethnically diverse and predominantly male, reflecting the local population of adults with HIV. Participants had HIV for an average of 12 ± 6.9 years; most (75%) were receiving medical disability assistance, 71% were currently receiving antiretroviral therapy, and they were taking 5.9 ± 4.0 medications (median 6, range 0-20).

Actigraphy measures indicated that the sample had short duration and substantial disruption. Almost half (45%, n=130) averaged <6 hours sleep at night, and 35% (n=101) had WASO values that were >25% of their sleep period. As shown in Table 1, the sleep parameters differed by both race and employment status. Of the clinical variables, CD4+ T-cell count was correlated with both WASO and TST, but the associations between viral load and these two sleep parameters did not reach statistical significance. Various categories of medication use were associated with WASO and TST, and smokers had shorter TST than non-smokers. BMI and waist circumference were associated with TST, but only among males. Participants who met diagnostic criteria for metabolic syndrome had more WASO, shorter TST, and worse self-reported sleep quality compared to participants without metabolic syndrome.

3.2 Genetic associations with sleep disruption (WASO)

Of the 23 SNPs examined, 10 SNPs among the 5 candidate genes were significantly associated with WASO in unadjusted analyses (Table 2). To better estimate the magnitude of the association between genotype and WASO when adjusting for relevant covariates, multiple linear regression models were fit. Genomic estimates of ancestry and self-reported race/ethnicity were forced into all models for face validity. Significant covariates from Table 1 included gender, the interaction of gender and race, CD4+ T-cell count, waist circumference, and use of opiate or antiemetic medication. Employment status, HIV viral load, BMI, and use of anti-depressant,

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neuroleptic, or sleep medication were also evaluated as potential covariates but did not meet the criterion for retention (P<0.05) in the model prior to inclusion of genotype. When the interaction was significant, the models also included two interaction terms between genotype and either viral load or years since HIV diagnosis.

In adjusted analyses, nine SNPs (*ADIPOQ* rs182052, rs1501299, rs3821799, and rs6773957; *LEP* rs10244329 and rs3828942; *PPARA* rs135551 and rs4253655; *PPARG* rs709151) were associated with WASO after adjusting for race/ethnicity, gender, CD4+ T-cell count, waist circumference, and medication use (Tables 3 and 4). Four of these SNPs (*ADIPOQ* rs182052, *LEP* rs10244329, *PPARA* rs135551, *PPARG* rs709151) did not interact with HIV variables, another four (*ADIPOQ* rs1501299, rs3821799, and rs6773957; *LEP* rs3828942) had a significant interaction with viral load, and one (*PPARA* rs4253655) had a significant interaction with viral load, and one (*PPARA* rs4253655) had a significant interaction with years since diagnosis. Of the nine SNPs associated with WASO in adjusted analyses, four (*ADIPOQ* rs1501299, rs3821799, and rs6773957; *LEP* rs3828942) were not significant in unadjusted analyses. As shown in Table 4, the overall models for the nine SNPs associated with WASO explained 23.6–25.2% of the variance, with genotype accounting for 1.2–3.1% of the variance. None of the SNP associations observed for *ADIPOQ*, *LEP*, or *PPARA* were in high LD (i.e., all pairwise LD<0.5). Adjusted differences in WASO by selected genotypes are shown in Figure 1.

3.3 Genetic associations with sleep duration (TST)

In unadjusted analyses (Table 2), TST was associated with 11 of 23 SNPs in 4 of the 5 energy homeostasis genes examined (*ADIPOQ, GHRL, PPARA*, and *PPARG*). Analyses adjusting for relevant covariates included genomic estimates of ancestry and self-reported race/ethnicity (both forced into the models), as well as gender, waist circumference, use of

neuroleptic or antiemetic medication, and smoking; none of the other potential covariates met criteria (P<0.05) for retention in the model prior to inclusion of genotype. When genotype had a significant interaction with either viral load or years since HIV diagnosis, the interaction was also included in the model.

In adjusted analyses, 14 SNPs (ADIPOQ rs182052 and rs2241766; GHRL rs26802; LEP rs10244329, rs11760956, and rs3828942; PPARA rs135551, rs135547, rs4253655, rs8138102, and rs4253776; PPARG rs12490265, rs796313, and rs709151) were associated with TST after adjusting for effects of race/ethnicity, gender, waist circumference, medication use, and smoking (Tables 3 and 4). Four of these SNPs (ADIPOO rs182052; GHRL rs26802; PPARA rs135551 and rs135547) did not interact with HIV variables, five others (LEP rs3828942; PPARA rs8138102 and rs4253776; PPARG rs12490265 and rs796313) had a significant interaction with viral load, and the remaining five (ADIPOQ rs2241766; LEP rs10244329 and rs11760956; PPARA rs4253655; PPARG rs709151) had a significant interaction with years since diagnosis. As shown in Table 3, three SNPs (LEP rs10244329, PPARA rs4253655, PPARG rs12490265) were associated with TST regardless of whether a significant interaction with years since diagnosis was included in the model. For these SNPs, the model with the interaction is reported in Table 4. In addition, three SNPs (PPARA rs4253776; PPARG rs12490265 and rs709151) had significant interactions with both viral load and years since diagnosis (in separate models), and for these SNPs, the model with the largest F statistic is reported in Table 4. Of the 14 SNPs associated with TST in adjusted analyses, three (LEP rs11760956 and rs3828942; PPARA rs8138102) were not significant in unadjusted analyses. As shown in Table 4, the overall models for 14 SNPs associated with TST explained 19.7-23.2% of the variance in TST, with genotype accounting for 1.4-4.5% of the variance. With the exception of PPARG rs12490265 rs709151

 $(r^2=0.55)$, none of the SNP associations observed for *ADIPOQ*, *LEP*, *PPARA*, or *PPARG* were in high LD (i.e., all pairwise LD<0.5). Adjusted differences in TST by selected genotypes are illustrated in Figure 2.

3.4 Plasma markers

Table 5 lists the correlations between the two sleep parameters and plasma markers of energy homeostasis. Higher glucose levels were associated with more WASO and shorter TST. To estimate the plasma markers' effects on sleep parameters when adjusting for relevant covariates, multiple linear regression models were fit for each plasma marker. Separate models were generated for WASO and TST, and the same covariates were used as in the genetic models described in Table 4. As shown in Table 6, WASO and plasma adiponectin values had a significant adjusted association that was moderated by viral load. Higher adiponectin levels were associated with less WASO, but higher viral loads attenuated this relationship. In addition, TST had significant adjusted associations with plasma ghrelin, leptin, and glucose, and these associations were also moderated by viral load. Higher plasma ghrelin and fasting glucose levels were associated with shorter TST, but higher viral loads attenuated this relationship. In contrast, higher plasma leptin levels were associated with longer TST, and higher viral loads attenuated this relationship as well.

3.5 Differences in plasma marker levels by genotype

Two of the SNPs associated with WASO or TST in Table 4 (*PPARA* rs135551 and rs135547) were also associated with fasting glucose levels (P=0.011, and 0.019, respectively). For these two *PPARA* SNPs, each copy of the less common allele was associated with a higher fasting glucose value, as well as a shorter TST, and for *PPARA* rs135551, an increase in WASO. In addition, *LEP* rs10244329 associated with WASO and TST (Table 4) was also associated with

plasma leptin levels (P=0.021). For this *LEP* SNP, carriers of two copies of the less common allele had a higher plasma leptin level, as well as less WASO and longer TST, compared to carriers of the major allele.

4. Discussion

In this study of adults with HIV, 17 SNPs from five genes (*ADIPOQ*, *GHRL*, *LEP*, *PPARA*, *PPARG*) were associated with sleep disruption or duration after adjusting for genomic estimates of ancestry, self-reported race/ethnicity, and other relevant covariates. Of these 17 SNPs, six were associated with both WASO and TST. These findings are consistent with prior studies reporting associations between plasma biomarkers of energy homeostasis and self-reported measures of sleep quality and duration [12]. This association has also been demonstrated in individuals with obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) [54].

HIV-infection and its pharmacologic treatment are accompanied by metabolic perturbations and immune dysfunction. HIV-associated metabolic abnormalities include dyslipidemia, insulin resistance, metabolic syndrome, and diabetes. Adiponectin is an adipocytokine that acts as an insulin sensitizer of both skeletal muscle and hepatocytes. Hypoadiponectinemia is associated with obesity and insulin resistance and the association with metabolic syndrome may be independent of antiretroviral therapy in HIV-infected individuals [55]. The HIV tat protein down-regulates adiponection [56], and *ADIPOQ* SNPs have been associated with OSA [30]. Variations in *ADIPOQ* were associated with metabolic abnormalities in HIV-infected persons who had the *ADIPOQ* rs2241766 G allele (i.e., carriers of the G allele: GT heterozygotes and GG homozygotes) associated with normolipidemic profiles in HIV/HCV co-infection with steatosis [57]. The A allele of *ADIPOQ* rs182052 was associated with type 2 diabetes in two different Chinese cohorts [58, 59], as well as lower adiponectin levels in multiple

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European samples [60-63]. Similarly, adults homozygous for the rs2241766 G allele are at lower risk for hypoadiponectinemia, type 2 diabetes [64], and obesity [65].

Only one study was found in which the association between *ADIPOQ* SNPs (i.e., rs2241766) and measures of dyslipidemia were evaluated in an HIV-infected cohort [57]. While sleep parameters were not evaluated, the G allele was protective; carriers of the G allele had less risk of dyslipidemia. In the current study, two *ADIPOQ* SNPs were associated with poor sleep in unadjusted analyses (i.e., carrying one or two copies of the rs182052 A allele with higher WASO and shorter TST; carrying two copies of the rs2241766 G allele with longer TST), and these associations remained significant after adjusting for relevant covariates (Table 4). Prior evidence of the influence of HIV infection on ADIPOQ functioning suggested that adjusting for HIV clinical variables in the current study was warranted and resulted in identifying three additional genetic associations (Table 4). These findings indicate that variations in *ADIPOQ* are associated with poor sleep, but that HIV infection can influence these relationships.

Plasma adiponectin levels have been previously associated with TST [12] and OSA [54, 66]. In our study, higher adiponectin levels were associated with less WASO. Our findings suggest adiponectin may have anti-inflammatory effects on sleep disruption. However, higher viral loads attenuated this relationship in our sample and the association between plasma adiponectin and TST was complex and not evident after adjusting for gender. We confirmed prior findings that women have higher fasting adiponectin levels compared to men [67]. Simpson et al. found that sleep restriction altered adiponectin, but effects were moderated by both race and sex [68]. In animal models, sleep fragmentation has also been shown to alter adiponectin gene expression [69].

Plasma leptin and ghrelin levels have been associated with sleep duration [70, 71], and similar associations were also evident in our sample. Women have a higher fasting leptin level than men [67], which was also observed in our sample. Leptin is an adipokine with complex metabolic, neuroendocrine, and immune functions. Ghrelin influences satiety, food intake, and energy homeostasis. Although variations in CLOCK gene have been associated with plasma ghrelin [72], associations between ghrelin gene variations and sleep parameters have not been reported. While leptin plasma levels do not appear to be associated with immunologic or virologic parameters in HIV-infected adults [73], plasma levels of ghrelin appear elevated in HIV-infected adults independent of BMI [74]. In the current study, one GHRL SNP was associated with better sleep (i.e., each additional copy of the rs26802 G allele with less WASO in unadjusted, and longer TST in unadjusted and adjusted models). One LEP SNP was associated with less disruption (i.e., two copies of the rs10244329 T allele with less WASO) in both unadjusted and adjusted models, and associated with shorter duration (i.e., two copies of the rs10244329 T allele with less TST controlling for an interaction with years since diagnosis) in adjusted models. Two additional LEP SNPs were associated with disruption (i.e., each additional copy of the rs11760956 A allele with more TST controlling for an interaction with years since diagnosis; one or two copies of the rs3828942 T allele with increased WASO controlling for an interaction with viral load) and/or TST (i.e., one or two copies of the rs3828942 T allele with shorter TST controlling for an interaction with years since diagnosis) in adjusted models. No studies were found that evaluated GHRL rs26802 and LEP rs10244329.

Evidence of the link between energy homeostasis and sleep continues to accumulate with findings regarding PPAR α , a lipid-sensing transcription factor impacting metabolic and neurobiological processes, including sleep modulation [75]. In a rodent model,

intrahypothalamic injection of a PPAR α agonist resulted in more wakefulness and less slow wave sleep while administration of a PPAR α antagonist produced opposite effects [75]. Manipulating PPAR α activity in murine models impacts both energy metabolism and sleep [76-78]. In addition, PPARα inhibits HIV tat protein-mediated up-regulation of inflammatory mediators [56]. In the current study, four PPARA SNPs were associated with worse sleep (more WASO or shorter TST) in unadjusted analyses: 1) each copy of the rs135551 G allele, 2) each copy of the rs135547 C allele, 3) two copies of the rs8138102 G allele, and 4) one or more copies of the rs4253776 G allele. All four associations were retained in adjusted models, with the rs8138102 and rs4253776 models controlling for an interaction with viral load. In contrast, carrying one or two copies of the rs4253655 A allele was associated with better sleep (less WASO and longer TST) in unadjusted models and adjusted models controlling for an interaction with years since diagnosis. Genetic associations between PPARA rs135547, rs4253655, and rs8138102 and sleep have not been reported in the literature. Consistent with reports of associations between PPARA and metabolic traits in the context of HIV-infection [76-78], HIV parameters also influenced the relationship between PPARA SNPs and sleep parameters in the current sample.

Similar to PPAR α , PPAR γ is also a central effector of lipid and energy homeostasis and influences inflammatory mediators. Variations in *PPARG* have been associated with body weight and dyslipidemia as well as OSA [79, 80]. In addition, several HIV viral proteins (env [81, 82], nef [83], gag [82], tat [84], vif [85]) interact directly with PPAR γ . Importantly, emerging evidence suggests that PPAR activation can protect against HIV-mediated cerebrovascular impairment [86]. PPAR γ acts as a negative regulator of HIV viral replication [87]. *PPARG* rs12490265 G allele has been associated with metabolic syndrome [88]. In the current sample,

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four *PPARG* SNPs were associated with better sleep (less WASO and longer TST) in unadjusted analyses: 1) carriers of one or two copies of the rs12490265 A allele, 2) each additional copy of the rs4135247 A allele, 3) each additional copy of the rs796313 T allele in unadjusted models and one or two copies of the rs796313 T allele in adjusted models, and 4) carriers of one or two copies of the rs709151 T allele. Clinical HIV indicators (years since diagnosis and viral load) influenced the associations between *PPARG* SNPs and sleep parameters, a finding that supports reports of PPAR γ impact on HIV pathogenesis. Genetic associations between *PPARG* rs4135247 and rs796313 and sleep have not been reported in the literature.

4.1 Limitations

The primary limitation of this research was the modest sample size for genetic associations, even with careful selection of the five candidate genes. We cannot rule out the possibility that some of the observered associations are not due to type I error (i.e., false positives). Further genome-wide association studies with larger samples are warranted with other energy homeostasis genes that may also be associated with sleep (e.g., *LEPR, MC4R, PCSK1, POMC)* [89]. A larger sample could provide more definitive estimates of the optimal genetic model (e.g., the additive model was optimal in unadjusted analyses for *PPARA* rs135551 associations with WASO, but the recessive model was optimal in adjusted models). A larger sample size may also identify additional SNP associations in the five candidate genes as well as other untested candidate genes. In addition, the small numbers of women, transgender, and racial subgroups precluded a thorough examination of how associations vary by sex, gender, and race. We included BMI and waist circumference as potential covariates, but did not assess food preferences or consumption, which may affect metabolic rate. Potential interactions between genetic, clinical, demographic, and environmental factors that might impact energy homeostatic

processes and sleep parameters require further investigation in larger samples of adults with HIV and adults with other chronic diseases who experience sleep problems. Objective measures of sleep disruption and duration were strengths of this study, however, studies with gold-standard polysomnography would provide assessment of sleep stages as well as more accurate measures of WASO and TST.

4.2 Conclusions

In this study, SNPs in five genes involved in energy homeostasis were associated with sleep disturbance and/or duration after adjusting for relevant covariates. One *ADIPOQ* SNP was associated with WASO and TST, three with WASO alone, and one with TST alone. Two *LEP* SNPs were associated with WASO and TST, and another SNP with TST alone. One *GHRL* SNP was associated with TST. Four *PPARA* SNPs were associated with WASO and TST, while one other *PPARA* SNP was associated with TST alone. Finally, three *PPARG* SNPs were associated with WASO and TST, and another *PPARG* SNPs were associated with WASO and TST.

Prospective studies are warranted to determine whether poor sleep affects energy homeostasis, if energy homeostasis affects poor sleep, or both. For example, fenofibrate, a PPAR α agonist used to improve triglycerides and cholesterol, showed preliminary efficacy for obstructive sleep apnea [90]. Given the demonstration that inclusion of fenofibrate with antiretroviral therapy to treat dyslipidemia in HIV-infected persons was superior to statin therapy [91], further studies to evaluate for concomittent impact on sleep are warranted. With pharmacological targets available for PPAR α as well as PPAR γ , leptin, and adiponectin to treat pathology related to energy metabolism, there is high potential for improving sleep in HIVinfected individuals. In addition, HIV-infected individuals with minor alleles associated with

more WASO, or with shorter or longer TST, may be at risk for developing sleep disturbance, and these patients may specifically benefit from targeted therapeutic interventions.

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	Ν	· · ·	WASO (%)	TST (mins)	Statistics (when P<0.10)
			mean (SD) or rho	mean (SD) or rho	
Age, years (range 22-77)	289	44.9 (8.4)	rho = .028	rho =047	
Gender	289				
Male		193 (67%)	21.0 (15.5)	369 (100)	
Female		73 (25%)	19.0 (12.5)	384 (97)	
Transgender		23 (8%)	25.1 (15.0)	349 (96)	
Race	289				WASO: F(2,286) = 11.4, P < 0.00
Caucasian (C)		118 (41%)	16.1 (12.0)	407 (93)	C < AA & O
African American (AA)		110 (38%)	24.6 (14.4)	339 (92)	TST: F(2,286) = 15.4, P < 0.001
Other (O)		61 (21%)	23.1 (17.8)	358 (99)	C > AA & O
Employment	289				WASO: t(287) = 3.15, P = 0.002
Employed or in school		46 (16%)	15.3 (12.9)	395 (85)	TST: $t(287) = 1.79$, $P = 0.075$
Unemployed or on disability		243 (84%)	21.9 (14.9)	366 (101)	
CD4+ T-cell count (cells/mm ³)	276	``´´		× ,	WASO: P = 0.006
Mean (SD)		453 (267)	<i>rho</i> =166	<i>rho</i> = .183	TST: P = 0.002
< 200		47 (17%)	23.5 (15.2)	350 (93)	
\geq 200		229 (83%)	20.2 (14.6)	374 (99)	
Viral load ($\log_{10} \text{ copies/mL}$)	270				
Mean (SD)		2.64 (1.20)	rho = .102	rho =107	WASO: P = 0.096; TST: P = 0.078
Detectable		133 (49%)	22.5 (16.0)	361 (103)	WASO: t(268) = 1.87, P = 0.062
Undetectable		137 (51%)	18.7 (13.0)	382 (93)	TST: $t(268) = 1.78$, $P = 0.077$
Antiretroviral therapy	289	``´´	× /		
Not on treatment		85 (29%)	21.9 (13.3)	367 (96)	
On treatment		204 (71%)	20.4 (15.3)	373 (100)	
Neuroleptic medication use	288	× ,	~ /		WASO: t(286) = 1.74, P = 0.083
No		261 (91%)	21.3 (15.1)	367 (99)	TST: $t(286) = 2.15$, $P = 0.033$
Yes		27 (9%)	15.5 (9.5)	410 (93)	
Opiate medication use	288	× /	` '		WASO: t(286) = 3.40, P < 0.001
No		210 (73%)	19.1 (14.3)	374 (95)	
Yes		78 (27%)	25.2 (15.2)	364 (108)	

Table 1. Sleep parameters by demographic and clinical characteristics (n = 289)

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288				WASO: $t(286) = 2.67$, $P = 0.008$
	277 (96%)	20.3 (14.5)	374 (97)	TST: $t(286) = 2.24$, $P = 0.026$
	11 (4%)	32.6 (15.9)	306 (121)	
288				WASO: t(286) = 1.71, P = 0.088
	125 (53%)	19.1 (13.8)	386 (91)	TST: $t(286) = 2.21$, $P = 0.028$
	163 (57%)	22.1 (15.4)	360 (103)	
289	27.0 (5.5)			
193	26.0 (4.8)	rho = .137	<i>rho</i> =252	M: WASO P=0.058, TST P<0.001
73	29.0 (6.3)	rho = .114	rho = .023	
23	28.9 (6.8)	rho =079	rho = .163	
289	93.7 (12.9)			
193	93.7 (12.4)	<i>rho</i> = .121	rho =204	M: WASO P=0.093, TST P=0.004
73	93.1 (14.1)	<i>rho</i> = .215	<i>rho</i> =079	F: WASO P=0.067
23	95.6 (13.4)	<i>rho</i> =026	rho = .157	
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WASO and CD4+ T-cell count analyses were conducted with square root-transformed values. WASO and TST were unrelated to use of anxiolytic, hypnotic, or antidepressant medications and to consumption of alcohol or caffeine (data not shown). **Bolded** variables have associations with P < 0.05. P, P-value; SD, standard deviation; t, t statistic; TST, total sleep time; WASO, wake after sleep onset.

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WASO TST GENE HuRef Р Ρ SE **HGVS** Description MAF SE b b SNP Position (Model) (Model) ADIPOO rs182052^e 0.010 (D) NG 021140.1:g.5320G>A 3:186842993 0.359 0.517 0.192 0.007 (D) -30.55 11.70 rs12495941^{d, e} NG 021140.1:g.12718G>T -0.252 3:186850391 0.357 0.262 0.337 (R) 24.91 15.88 0.118 (R) rs7649121^{a,b,d,e} NG 021140.1:g.13323A>T 3:186850996 0.011 _ _ rs2241766^e 0.699 0.820 0.395 (R) NG 021140.1:g.15430T>G, 3:186853103 0.119 26.03 12.74 0.042 (A) NM 001177800.1:c.45T>G, XP 011511626.1:p.Glv15 rs1501299^{d,e} NG 021140.1:g.15661G>T 3:186853334 0.298 -0.225 0.315 0.474 (R) -6.67 11.70 0.569 (D) rs3821799^d NG 021140.1:g.16024T>C 3:186853697 0.493 0.191 0.217 0.378 (D) -4.97 8.08 0.539 (A) rs6773957^d NG 021140.1:g.18243A>G 3:186855916 0.474 0.192 0.210 0.363 (D) -5.48 12.79 0.669 (D) GHRL **rs26802**^{d,e} 3:10290681 NG_033090.1:g.14730T>G 0.332 -0.312 0.143 **0.031 (A)** 31.29 11.66 0.008 (D) LEP rs12706832^d NG_007450.1:g.10809A>G 7:128247086 0.415 -0.222 0.131 0.091 (A) 12.19 7.94 0.126 (A) **rs10244329**^{d,e} NG 007450.1:g.12359A>T 7:128248636 0.483 -0.460 0.219 0.037 (R) 21.07 13.38 0.116 (R) rs11760956 NG 007450.1:g.14757G>A 19.25 7:128251034 0.289 -0.546 0.317 0.086 (R) 34.68 0.073 (R) rs3828942^d NG 007450.1:g.17975G>A 7:128254252 0.328 -0.489 0.289 0.092(R)32.70 17.56 0.064 (R) PPARA rs4253623^e NG_012204.1:g.8608A>G 22:46154203 0.117 -0.130 0.111 (A) 0.212 0.541 (A) 20.54 12.84 **rs135551**^d NG 012204.1:g.11523A>G 22:46157126 0.385 0.360 0.128 -26.66 7.72 0.001 (A) 0.005 (A) **rs135547**^d NG_012204.1:g.12152G>C 22:46157755 0.430 0.401 0.124 7.49 <0.001 (A) 0.001 (A) -29.09 rs4253655 NG_012204.1:g.27673G>A 22:46173274 0.097 -0.581 0.247 0.019 (D) 58.27 14.74 <0.001 (D) rs9626736^{c, d} NG_012204.1:g.28734A>G 22:46174335 0.438 _ -_ _ _ **rs8138102**^d NG 012204.1:g.50254A>G 22:46195855 0.299 0.610 0.309 0.049 (R) -32.55 18.79 0.084 (R) rs6007662^{c,d} NG_012204.1:g.79547A>G 22:46225148 0.415 -rs4253760^{c d} NG 012204.1:g.80886T>G 22:46226487 0.382 -_ rs4253776 NG 012204.1:g.87981A>G 0.114 (D) 22:46233582 0.256 0.307 0.194 -24.52 11.73 0.037 (D) rs4253778^{c, d} NG 012204.1:g.89136G>C 22:46234737 0.382 --_ --

Table 2. Unadjusted genetic associations with sleep parameters (n = 289)

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					WAS	С		TST	
GENE	HGVS Description	HuRef	MAF	b	SE	Р	b	SE	Р
SNP	HOVS Description	Position	Position		SE	(Model)		SE	(Model)
PPARG									
rs2972164 ^d	NG_011749.1:g.10068T>C	3:12292917	0.423	-0.204	0.133	0.126 (A)	13.20	12.25	0.282 (D)
rs12490265 ^d	NG_011749.1:g.60194G>A	3:12343043	0.217	-0.612	0.196	0.002 (D)	38.51	11.88	0.001 (D)
rs1801282 ^{b,e}	NG_011749.1:g.68777C>G	3:12351626	0.056	-	-	-	-	-	-
	NM_015869.4:c.34C>G,								
	XP_011532145.1:p.Pro12Ala								
rs4135247 ^d	NG_011749.1:g.72240G>A	3:12355089	0.317	-0.093	0.143	0.517 (A)	28.11	8.52	0.001 (A)
rs4135275 ^d	NG_011749.1:g.119496A>G	3:12402345	0.146	-0.292	0.735	0.691 (R)	15.41	11.86	0.195 (A)
rs796313 ^d	NG_011749.1:g.125180G>T	3:12408029	0.448	-0.356	0.132	0.007 (A)	29.43	12.43	0.019 (D)
rs709151 ^d	NG_011749.1:g.130651C>T	3:12413500	0.256	-0.759	0.187	<0.001 (D)	50.41	11.31	<0.001 (D)

Analyses were conducted with square root-transformed WASO values. **Bold** SNPs have associations with P < 0.05. A, additive model; *ADIPOQ*, adiponectin gene; b, regression coefficient; Chr, chromosome; CI, confidence interval; D, dominant model; *GHRL*, ghrelin gene; HGVS, human genome variation society; HuRef, human reference sequence; *LEP*, leptin gene; MAF, minor allele frequency; P, P-value; *PPARA*, peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor alpha gene; *PPARG*, peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor gamma gene; R, recessive model; SE, standard error; SNP, single nucleotide polymorphism; TST, total sleep time; WASO, wake after sleep onset.

^a SNP excluded from analysis because MAF < 0.05 (n = 1).

^b SNP excluded from analysis because one of the genotypes had a frequency <3 (n = 2).

^c SNP excluded from analysis because distribution violated Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (n = 4).

^d tagSNP

^e Minor allele frequency difference of less than approximately 10% between Caucasian non-Hispanic and African American non-Hispanic population samples deposited in dbSNP (<u>https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/snp/</u>).

GENE		WA	ASO			TS	ST	
SNP	UN	ADJ	VL	YRS	UN	ADJ	VL	YRS
ADIPOQ								
rs182052	\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark		
rs12495941								
rs2241766					\checkmark			\checkmark
rs1501299			\checkmark					
rs3821799			\checkmark					
rs6773957			\checkmark					
GHRL								
rs26802					✓	~		
LEP								
rs12706832	,	,						
rs10244329	\checkmark	\checkmark				(🗸)		√
rs11760956			,					\checkmark
rs3828942			\checkmark				\checkmark	
PPARA								
rs4253623	,	/				/		
rs135551	\checkmark	\checkmark			v	✓ ✓		
rs135547	\checkmark				~			
rs4253655	✓ ✓			~	V	(✔)	/	~
rs8138102	v				./		✓	(\cdot)
rs4253776					•		v	(✔)
PPARG rs2972164								
rs12490265	./				\checkmark		\checkmark	(√)
rs4135247	•				•		v	(•)
rs4135275					v			
rs796313	1				\checkmark		\checkmark	
rs709151		\checkmark			↓ ✓	(✓)	• (√)	\checkmark
Number of		•				()	()	
associations	10	4	4	1	11	7	6	7
associations								

Table 3. Patterns of associations between genotypes, their interactions with HIV, and sleep parameters

ADIPOQ, adiponectin gene; ADJ, genotype was significant in adjusted analyses and did not interact with either viral load or years since HIV diagnosis; GHRL, ghrelin gene; LEP, leptin gene; PPARA, peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor alpha gene; PPARG, peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor gamma gene; SNP, single nucleotide polymorphism; TST, total sleep time; UN, genotype was significant in unadjusted analyses; VL, genotype had a significant interaction with viral load in adjusted analyses; WASO, wake after sleep onset (square roottransformed); YRS, genotype had a significant interaction with years since HIV diagnosis in adjusted analyses; \checkmark , significant association; (\checkmark), significant association but not as strong as one of the other adjusted models. Bold SNPs have at least one association with P < 0.05

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Sleep outcome / GENE \mathbf{R}^2 Model SE ΔR^2 Р Full models h t SNP / *interaction WASO ADIPOO rs182052 0.44 0.18 2.45 0.015 0.018 0.247 F(16,255) = 5.23, P < 0.001D rs1501299^a 0.44 0.005 0.246 D -1.25 2.85 0.000 F(18,248) = 4.49, P < 0.001VL*rs1501299 0.46 0.15 3.03 0.003 0.028 rs3821799^a R 1.07 0.50 2.15 0.032 0.001 0.241 F(18,248) = 4.37, P < 0.0010.008 0.022 VL*rs3821799 -0.46 0.17 2.67 rs6773957^a -1.12 0.47 2.36 0.019 0.001 0.243 F(18,248) = 4.41, P < 0.001D VL*rs6773957 0.47 0.17 2.82 0.005 0.024 LEP 0.017 rs10244329 R -0.50 0.21 2.40 0.017 0.240 F(16,256) = 5.06, P < 0.001rs3828942^a D 0.85 0.45 1.89 0.059 0.000 0.236 F(18,247) = 4.23, P < 0.001VL*rs3828942 -0.35 0.16 2.26 0.024 0.016 PPARA rs135551^b 0.51 0.26 2.00 0.046 0.012 0.237 F(16,255) = 4.96, P < 0.001R D rs4253655 -1.81 0.62 2.93 0.004 0.012 0.252 F(18,254) = 4.75, P < 0.001YRS*rs4253655 0.09 0.04 2.31 0.022 0.016 PPARG 0.71 rs709151 D -0.50 2.68 0.008 0.021 0.245 F(16,256) = 5.18, P < 0.001 TST ADIPOQ. rs182052 -24.37 11.03 2.21 0.028 0.014 0.205 F(12,272) = 5.86, P < 0.001D rs2241766 R -114.03 72.00 1.58 0.114 0.002 0.210 F(14,270) = 5.13, P < 0.001YRS*rs2241766 14.41 5.42 2.66 0.008 0.021 **GHRL** rs26802 D 26.84 10.98 2.44 0.015 0.018 0.205 F(12,272) = 5.85, P < 0.001LEP 0.012 rs10244329^a R -21.01 25.39 0.83 0.409 0.213 F(14,271) = 5.24, P < 0.001YRS*rs10244329 3.76 1.78 2.11 0.036 0.013

Table 4. Significant adjusted associations between genotype and sleep parameters

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Sleep outcome / GENE	Model	b	SE	t	Р	ΔR^2	R^2	Full models	
SNP / *interaction	WIGUEI	U	SE	ι	1	ΔК	K	Pull models	
rs11760956 ^a	А	41.20	17.75	2.32	0.021	0.000	0.208	F(14,271) = 5.08, P < 0.001	
YRS*rs11760956		-3.22	1.22	2.63	0.009	0.020			
rs3828942 ^a	D	-73.77	27.25	2.71	0.007	0.001	0.206	F(14,251) = 4.64, P < 0.001	
VL*rs3828942		26.33	9.41	2.80	0.006	0.025			
PPARA									
rs135551	А	-20.02	8.74	2.29	0.023	0.015	0.203	F(12,272) = 5.78, P < 0.001	
rs135547	А	-20.17	8.51	2.37	0.018	0.016	0.208	F(12,272) = 5.93, P < 0.001	
rs4253655	D	118.13	34.81	3.39	0.001	0.030	0.232	F(14,271) = 5.83, P < 0.001	
YRS*rs4253655		-4.74	2.17	2.18	0.030	0.014			
rs8138102 ^a	А	45.23	20.75	2.18	0.030	0.000	0.202	F(14,251) = 4.53, P < 0.001	
VL*rs8138102		-19.06	7.37	2.59	0.010	0.021			
rs4253776	D	84.04	29.25	2.87	0.004	0.001	0.209	F(14,252) = 4.75, P < 0.001	
VL*rs4253776 ^c		-28.78	9.53	3.02	0.003	0.029			
PPARG									
rs12490265	D	-55.24	28.03	1.97	0.050	0.007	0.213	F(14,252) = 4.88, P < 0.001	
VL*rs12490265 ^c		27.71	9.45	2.93	0.004	0.027			
rs796313	D	-39.55	29.43	1.34	0.180	0.004	0.197	F(14,252) = 4.41, P < 0.001	
VL*rs796313		20.40	10.02	2.04	0.043	0.013			
rs709151	D	98.88	44.06	2.24	0.026	0.000	0.208	F(14,271) = 5.07, P < 0.001	
YRS*rs709151 ^d		-8.66	3.32	2.60	0.010	0.020			
All models adjusted for generating estimates of engestry and self reported race. In addition WASO models adjusted for									

All models adjusted for genomic estimates of ancestry and self-reported race. In addition, WASO models adjusted for gender, the interaction of race and gender, CD4+ T-cell count, waist circumference, and use of opiate or antiemetic medication. TST models also adjusted for gender, waist circumference, smoking status, and use of neuroleptic or antiemetic medication. Analyses were conducted with square root-transformed WASO and CD4+ T-cell count values. Sample sizes for each analysis: n = 272-273 for WASO models, and n = 285-286 for TST models. A, additive model; *ADIPOQ*, adiponectin gene; D, dominant model; *GHRL*, ghrelin gene; *LEP*, leptin gene, *PPARA*, peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor alpha gene; *PPARG*, peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor gamma gene; R, recessive model; R^2 , proportion of variance in sleep outcome explained by the full model; ΔR^2 , proportion of variance in sleep outcome accounted for by genotype when adjusting for covariates; SE, standard error; SNP, single nucleotide polymorphism; t, t statistic; TST, total sleep time; VL, interaction between SNP and viral load; WASO, wake after sleep onset; YRS, interaction between SNP and years since HIV diagnosis.

^a This SNP was not significantly associated with TST in unadjusted associations.

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^b Although the additive model was slightly stronger than the recessive model in unadjusted analyses (P=0.005 versus 0.006, respectively) and was therefore reported in Table 2, only the recessive model was significant in adjusted analyses.

^c The genotype also had a significant interaction with years since HIV diagnosis, but since the viral load model was stronger, it is the one reported.

^d The genotype also had a significant interaction with viral load, but since the model with years since diagnosis was stronger, it is the one reported.

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Plasma markers	N	mean (SD)	WASO	TST
			rho	rho
Adiponectin (ng/mL)	287	14.3 (9.2)		
Male	192	12.4 (8.0)	.067	006
Female	73	18.3 (9.5)	045	.008
Transgender	22	17.1 (12.7)	.095	073
Ghrelin (ng/mL)	280	1.39 (1.07)	023	.046
Leptin, (ng/mL)	287	10.3 (13.2)		
Male	192	5.7 (6.5)	.059	099
Female	73	20.8 (17.9)	.024	.078
Transgender	22	15.4 (16.8)	.135	.082
Insulin, pg/mL	286	83.2 (55.7)	.065	045
Glucose, mg/dL	194	95.7 (24.7)	.169*	165*
C-peptide, pg/mL	287	161 (161)	.013	.067

Table 5. Spearman correlations between plasma markers of energy homeostasis and sleep parameters

mg/mL, milligrams per milliliter; ng/mL, nanograms per milliliter; pg/mL, picograms per milliliter; SD, standard deviation; TST, total sleep time; WASO, wake after sleep onset. * Р 0.05 <

Plasma biomarker *interaction	b	SE	t	Р	ΔR^2	R^2	Full models
WASO							
Adiponectin ^a	-0.012	0.006	1.98	0.049	0.000	0.232	F(18,246) = 4.13, P < 0.001
VL*Adiponectin	0.004	0.002	2.08	0.038	0.014		
TST							
Ghrelin ^b	-71.48	39.57	1.81	0.072	0.003	0.200	F(14,243) = 4.33, P < 0.001
VL*Ghrelin	31.93	13.14	2.43	0.016	0.019		
Leptin ^b	70.08	29.06	2.41	0.017	0.000	0.208	F(14,250) = 4.69, P < 0.001
VL*Leptin	-27.04	9.21	2.94	0.004	0.027		
Glucose ^c	-30.46	7.93	3.84	< 0.001	0.034	0.263	F(13,173) = 4.74, P < 0.001
VL*Glucose ^c	8.22	2.79	2.95	0.004	0.037		

Table 6. Significant adjusted associations between plasma markers of energy homeostasis and sleep parameters

All models adjusted for genomic estimates of ancestry and self-reported race. In addition, WASO models adjusted for gender, the interaction of race and gender, CD4+ T-cell count, waist circumference, and use of opiate or antiemetic medication. TST models adjusted for gender, waist circumference, smoking status, and use of neuroleptic or antiemetic medication. b, regression coefficient; P, P-value; SE, standard error; t, t statistic; TST, total sleep time; VL, viral load; WASO, wake after sleep onset (square root-transformed).

^a Square root-transformed adiponectin values were used in this analysis.

^b Log-transformed ghrelin and leptin values were used in this analysis.

^c Inverse-transformed glucose values multiplied by 1000 were used in the analysis, but the signs of b have been corrected to reflect the direction of the relationship between raw glucose values and TST. N=187 due to missing glucose values.

Figure Captions

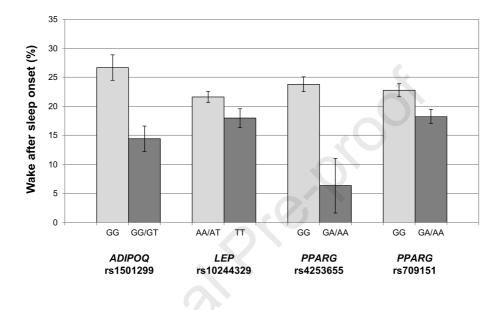


Figure 1. Wake after sleep onset for a selection of 4 of the 9 associated genotypes in adjusted analyses. Carriers of the minor allele for *ADIPOQ* rs1501299 had significantly less wake after sleep onset than carriers of two doses of the major allele. Carriers of two doses of the minor allele for *LEP* rs10244329 had less wake after sleep onset than carriers of the major allele. Carriers of the minor allele for *PPARA* rs4253655 had less wake after sleep onset compared to carriers of two doses of the major allele, and carriers of the minor allele for *PPARG* rs709151 also had less wake after sleep onset than carriers of two doses of the major allele. All P values <0.05.

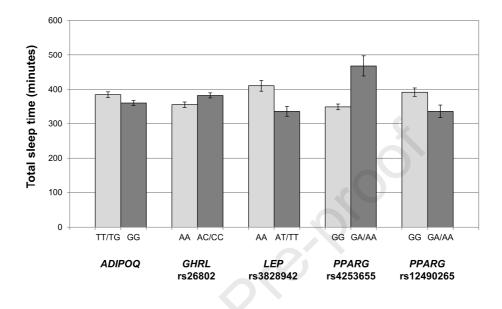


Figure 2. Total sleep time for a selection of 5 of the 14 associated genotypes in adjusted analyses. Compared to carries of the major allele for *ADIPOQ* rs2241766, carriers of two doses of the minor allele had less total sleep per night. Carriers of the minor allele for *GHRL* rs26802 and *PPARA* rs4253655 had more total sleep time than carriers of two doses of the major allele, whereas carriers of the minor allele for *LEP* rs3828942 and *PPARG* rs12490265 had less total sleep time than carriers of two doses of the major allele. All P values <0.05.

Highlights

- Sleep disruption and duration are not independent sleep parameters.
- 17 SNPs from five candidate genes involved in energy homeostasis (*ADIPOQ*, *GHRL*, *LEP*, *PPARA*, and *PPARG*) were associated with sleep disruption and/or duration in adults with HIV/AIDS.
- Higher plasma adiponectin was associated with less WASO; higher ghrelin and glucose levels were associated with shorter TST; and higher leptin was associated with longer TST.
- Poor sleep is prevalent in HIV-positive adults, and adjusting for HIV clinical indicators is important when assessing genetic associations with poor sleep.
- Results provide direction for developing precision pharmacologic therapy to improve sleep.

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