

Supplementary Figures S1-7 for:

## **Genome variants associated with RNA splicing variation in bovine are extensively shared between tissues**

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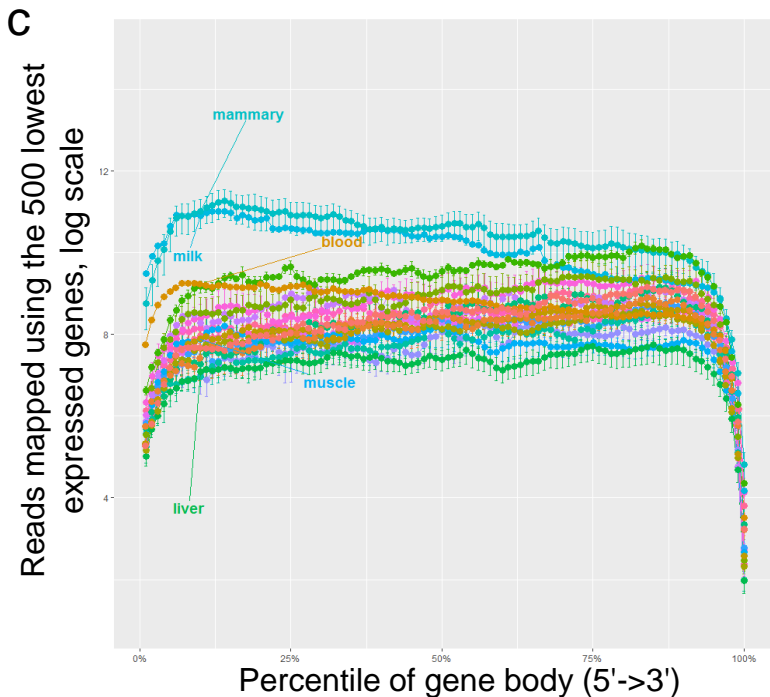
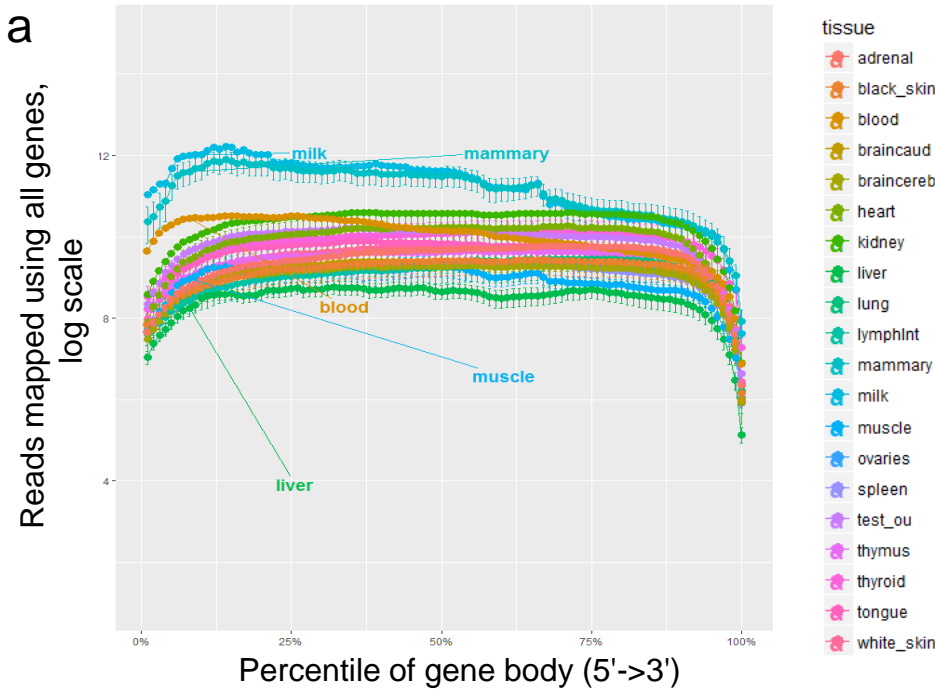


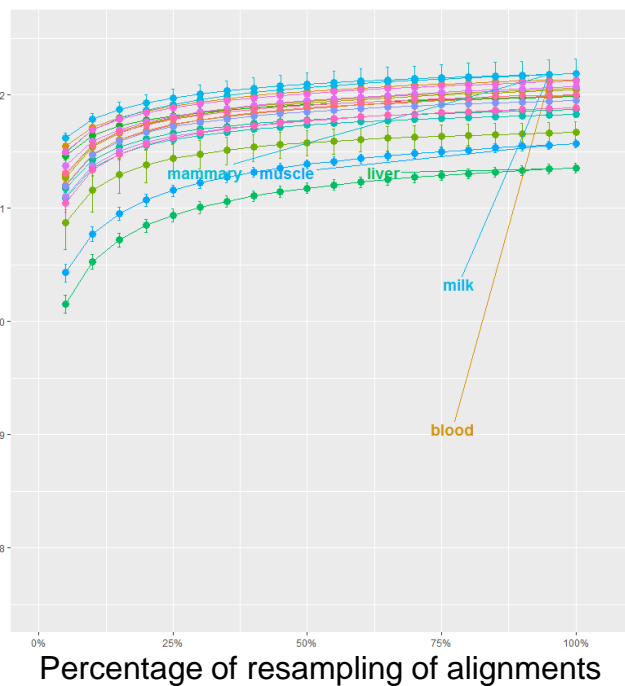
Figure S1. Gene coverage uniformity plots for each tissue type for **a**) all genes, **b**) 500 highest expressed genes and **c**) 500 lowest expressed genes, as determined by Qualimap 2 [1]. These plots show the mean number of reads mapped (y-axis), with standard error bars, to the length of the gene body (x-axis), where the length is expressed as a percentile of total gene length. braincaud: brain caudal lobe. braincereb: brain cerebellum. lymphInt: Intestinal lymph node.

[1] Okonechnikov, K., Conesa, A., and García-Alcalde, F. (2015). Qualimap 2: advanced multi-sample quality control for high-throughput sequencing data. *Bioinformatics* 32(2), 292-294.

a

Reads mapped to all splicing junctions

log scale



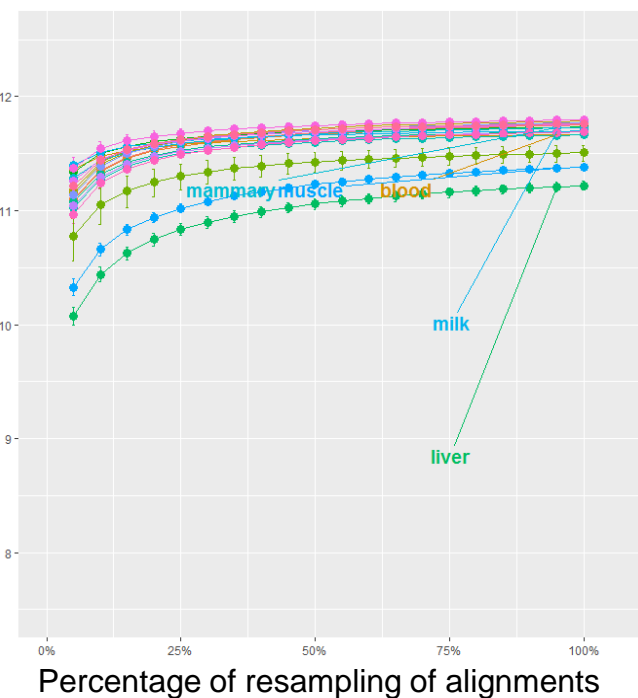
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Reads mapped to known splicing junctions

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tissue

- adrenal
- black\_skin
- blood
- braincaud
- braincereb
- heart
- kidney
- liver
- lung
- lymphInt
- mammary
- milk
- muscle
- ovaries
- spleen
- thymus
- thyroid
- tongue
- white\_skin



c

Reads mapped to novel splicing junctions

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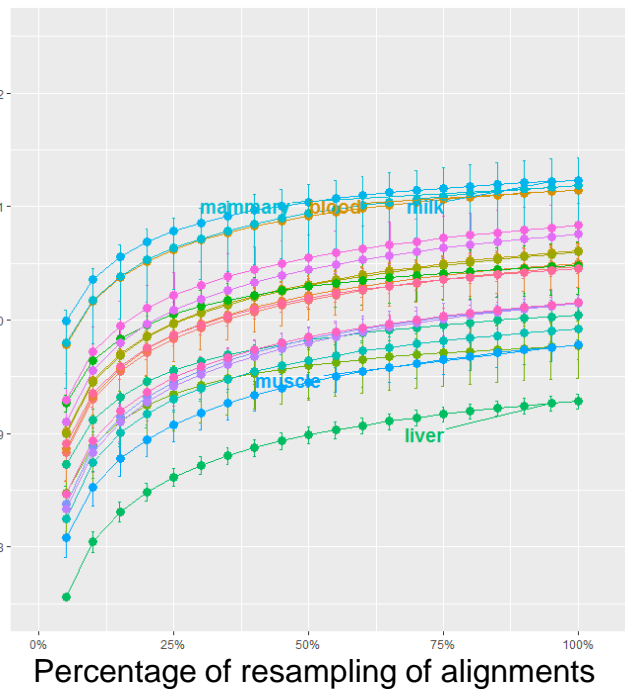


Figure S2. Splicing junction saturation analysis for each tissue type for a) all splicing junctions, b) known splicing junctions and c) novel splicing junctions. Each plot shows the mean reads mapped, with standard error bars, to splicing junctions (y-axis) for subsets of the total reads mapped (x-axis), as resampled by RSeQC (2). braincaud: brain caudal lobe. braincereb: brain cerebellum. lymphInt: Intestinal lymph node.

[2]: Wang, L., Wang, S., and Li, W. (2012). RSeQC: quality control of RNA-seq experiments. *Bioinformatics* 28(16), 2184-2185.

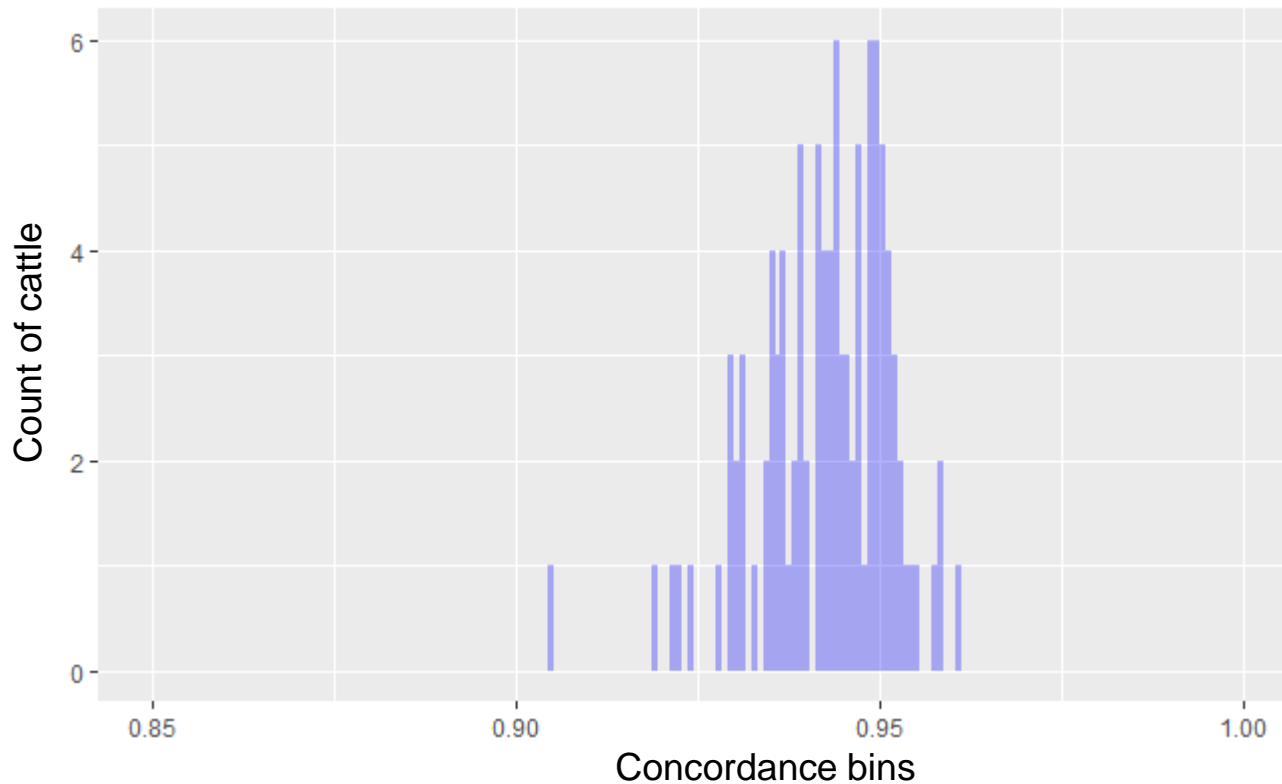
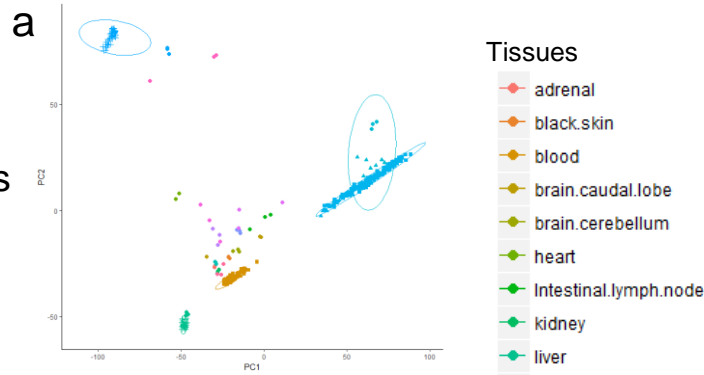


Figure S3. The distribution of concordance between imputed and RNA sequence genotypes. Where imputed genotypes are from the 1000 bull genomes project and the RNA sequence genotypes are from white blood cell RNA sequence data (Table 1). The average concordance is 0.943.

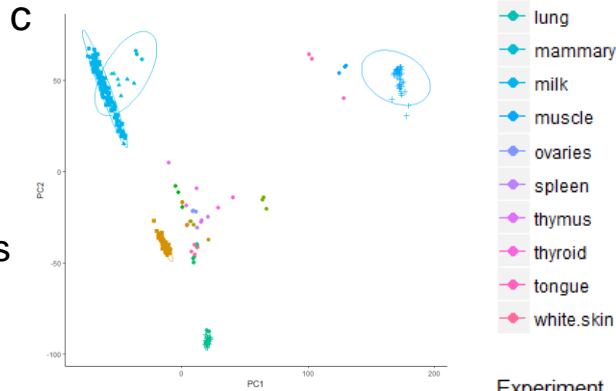
[3] Daetwyler, H.D., Capitan, A., Pausch, H., Stothard, P., Van Binsbergen, R., Brøndum, R.F., et al. (2014). Whole-genome sequencing of 234 bulls facilitates mapping of monogenic and complex traits in cattle. *Nature genetics* 46(8), 858-865.

Clusters by tissue types

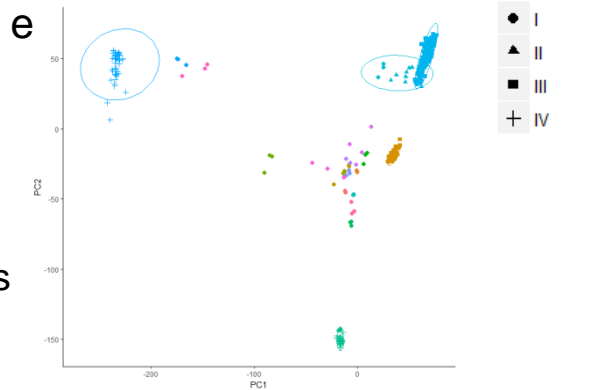
Top variable 250 exons



Top variable 500 exons



Top variable 1000 exons



Clusters by experiments

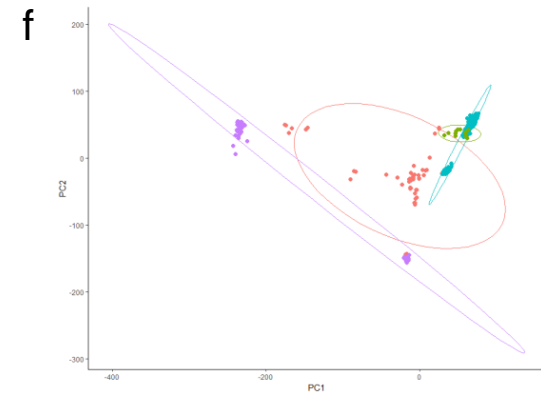
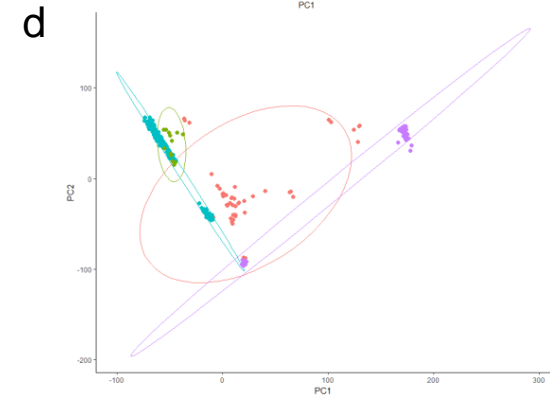
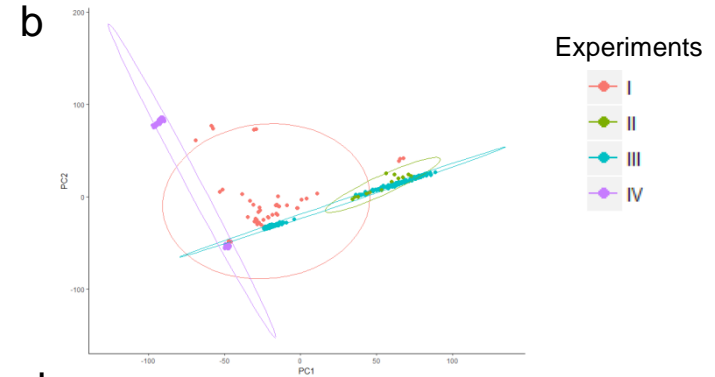


Figure S4. Sample principal components clustering based on exon expression. The principal components analysis was based on the top 250 (a,b), the top 500 (c,d) and the top 1000 (e,f) exons with the most variable expression levels across tissues samples. The confidence interval was set to 0.95 to which ellipses were drawn based on data categorized by tissue types (a,c,e) or by experiments (b,d,f). Separated ellipses indicated independence of clusters while overlapped ellipses indicated dependence of clusters.

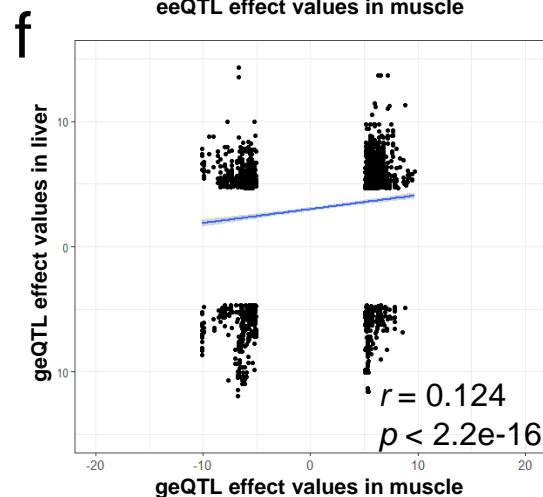
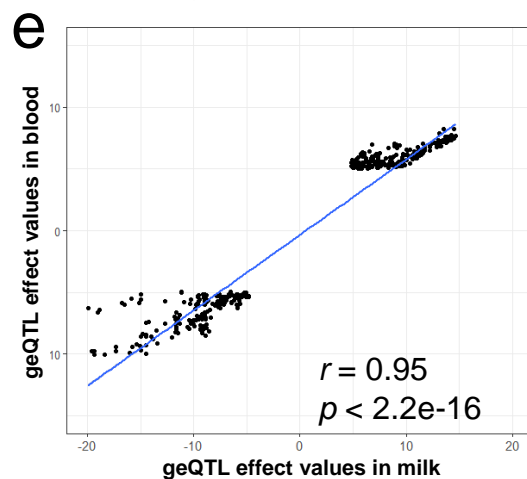
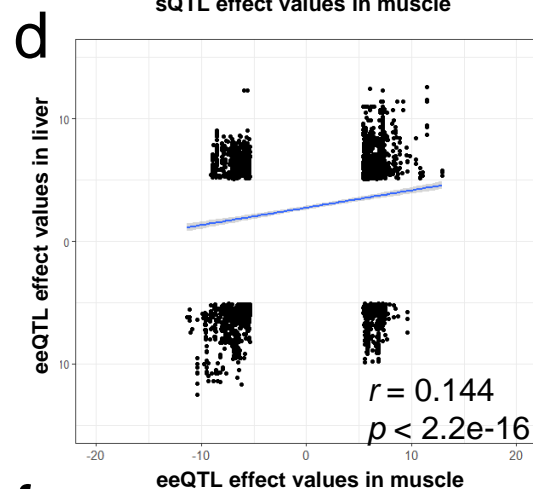
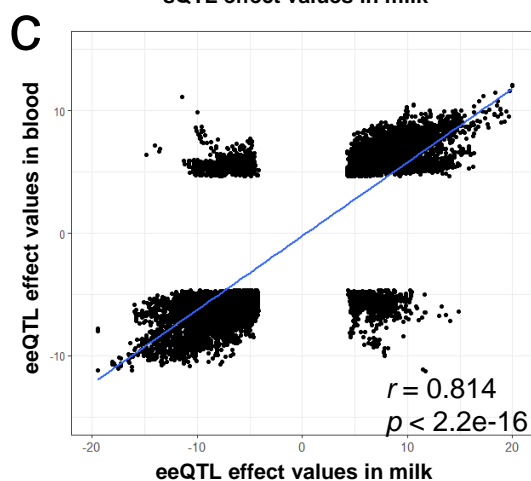
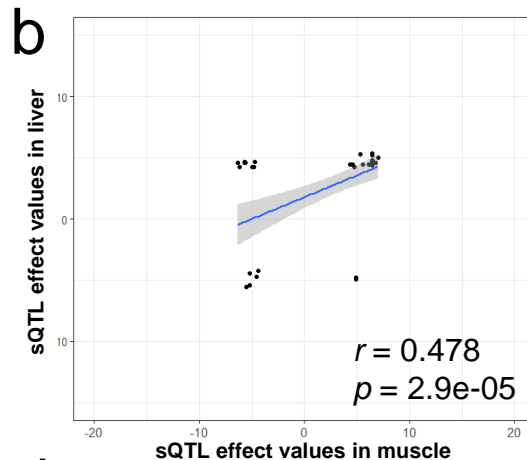
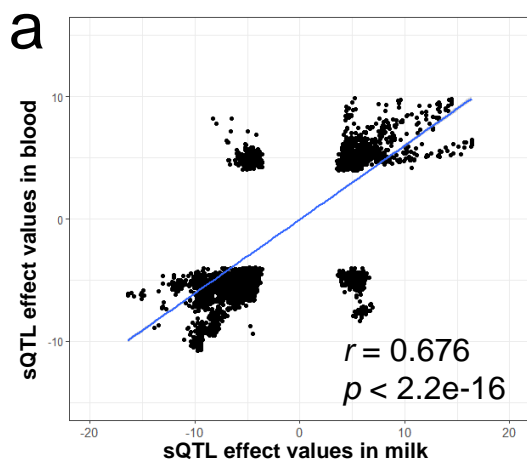


Figure S5. Correlation of sQTLs (splicing quantitative trait loci), eeQTLs (exon expression QTLs) and geQTLs (gene expression QTLs) effects (t values) between tissues. Tested tissues pairs included blood and milk (**a**, **c**, **e**) and liver and muscle (**b**, **d**, **f**). The best expression QTLs (the smallest p value) of each type were selected to for correlation analyse.

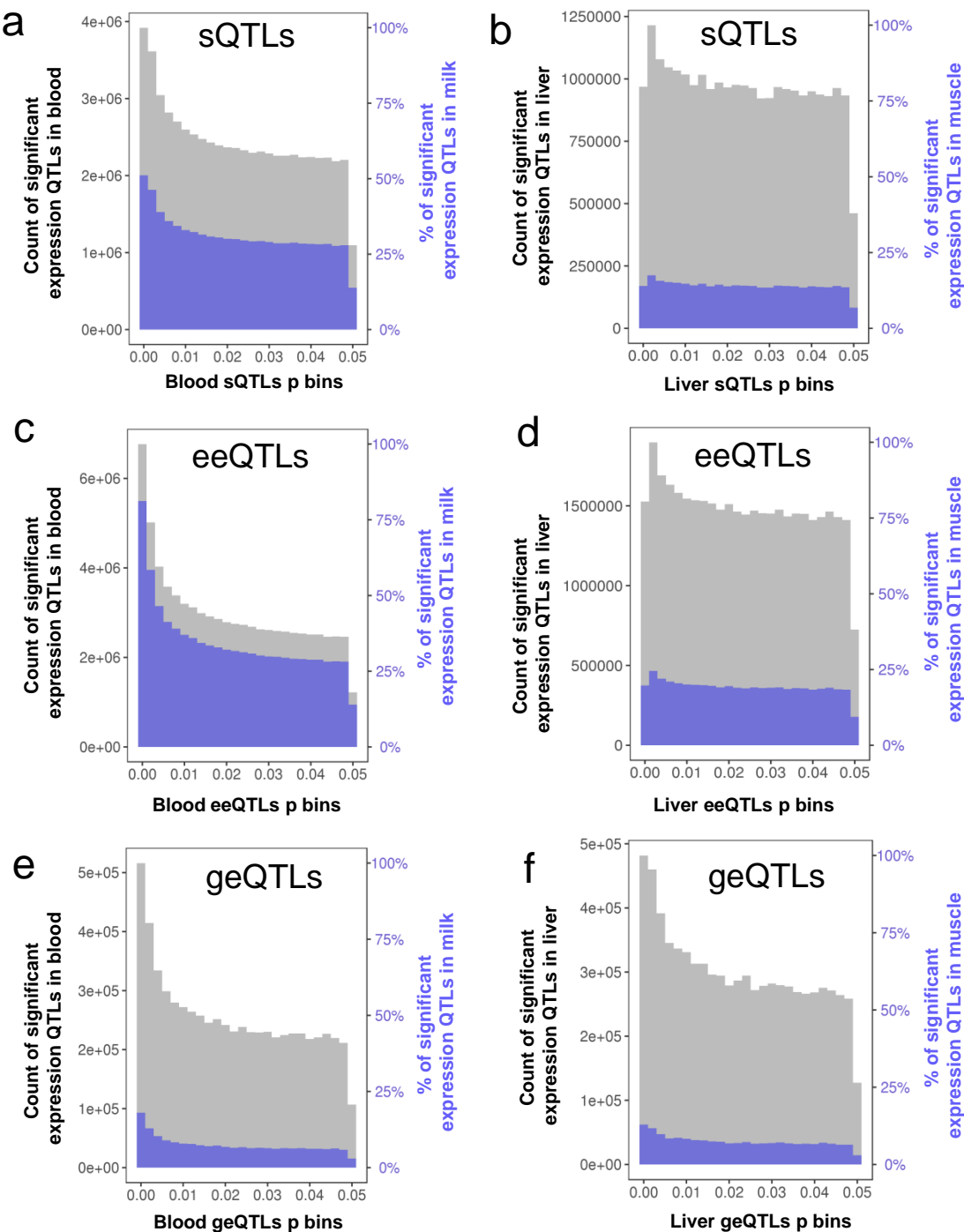


Figure S6. Sharing of sQTLs (splicing quantitative trait loci), eeQTLs (exon expression QTLs) and geQTLs (gene expression QTLs) in paired tissues at  $p < 0.05$  level. The grey bars and the grey left y-axes in each panel corresponded to the frequency of SNPs at various significance bins up to  $p < 0.05$  in white blood cells (a, c, e) and in liver (b, d, f). In panel a, c, e, the blue bars and the blue right y-axes corresponded to the proportion of the expression QTLs in white blood cells that are also expression QTLs in milk cells in the same significance level ( $p < 0.05$ ). In panel b, d, f, the blue bars and the blue right y-axes corresponded to the proportion of the expression QTLs in liver that are also expression QTLs in muscle.

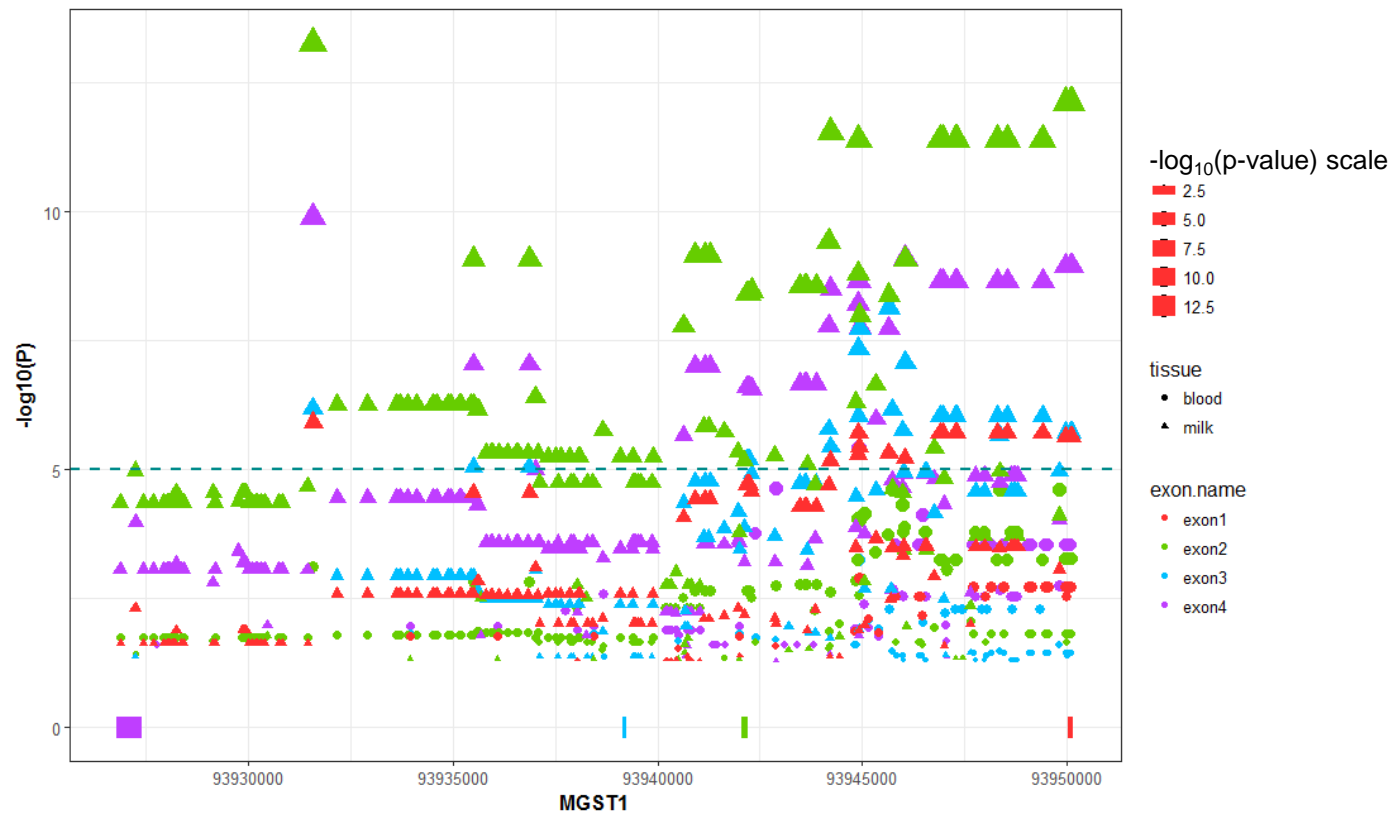


Figure S7. Manhattan plot of eeQTLs for the *MGST1* gene. eeQTL were coloured based on different exons within *MGST1*.