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247 **Abstract**

248 Low-frequency 1q21.1 distal deletion and duplication copy number variant (CNV)
 249 carriers are predisposed to multiple neurodevelopmental disorders including
 250 schizophrenia, autism and intellectual disability. Human carriers display a high
 251 prevalence of micro- and macrocephaly in deletion and duplication carriers, respectively.
 252 The underlying brain structural diversity remains largely unknown.
 253 We systematically called CNVs in 38 cohorts from the large-scale ENIGMA-CNV
 254 collaboration and the UK biobank and identified 28 1q21.1 distal deletion and 22
 255 duplication carriers and 37,088 non-carriers (48 % male) derived from 15 distinct MRI
 256 scanner sites. With standardized methods, we compared subcortical and cortical brain
 257 measures (all) and cognitive performance (UK biobank only) between carrier groups also
 258 testing for mediation of brain structure on cognition. We identified positive dosage
 259 effects of copy number on intracranial volume (ICV) and total cortical surface area, with
 260 largest effects in frontal and cingulate cortices, and negative dosage effects on caudate
 261 and hippocampal volumes. The carriers displayed distinct cognitive deficit profiles in
 262 cognitive tasks from the UK biobank with intermediate decreases in duplication carriers
 263 and somewhat larger in deletion carriers – the latter potentially mediated by ICV or
 264 cortical surface area. These results shed light on pathobiological mechanisms of
 265 neurodevelopmental disorders, by demonstrating gene dose effect on specific brain
 266 structures and effect on cognitive function.

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269 **Introduction**

270 Inter-individual differences in brain structure are highly heritable¹, but identifying the
 271 genes that contribute to brain development is challenging. Genome-wide association
 272 studies (GWAS) of brain anatomical structures indicate the influence of many single

273 nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) with small effect sizes^{2,3}, but the links to brain
 274 function remain weak. Evidence is emerging that some rare copy number variants
 275 (CNVs) - i.e., regions of the genome that are either deleted or duplicated - are associated
 276 with both substantial brain size and shape differences; e.g., the 7q11.23^{4,5}, 22q11.2^{6,7},
 277 15q11.2⁸⁻¹¹ and 16p11.2 proximal¹²⁻¹⁴ and distal CNVs¹⁵. Many of these CNVs also have
 278 wide-ranging phenotypic impact, including poorer cognitive abilities^{8,16-18} and increased
 279 risk of neurological or neurodevelopmental disorders. The strong impact of these CNVs
 280 on brain structure and behavior make them valuable for studies of the molecular
 281 mechanisms contributing to aberrant human neurodevelopment.

282 The 1q21.1 distal CNV has a known large effect on head circumference, as evident from
 283 a high prevalence of micro- and macrocephaly in deletion and duplication carriers,
 284 respectively¹⁹⁻²¹. This, along with its position in a region that is rich in genes unique to
 285 the human lineage (i.e. absent in primates)^{22,23}, makes the 1q21.1 distal CNV particularly
 286 interesting for the study of aberrations in human brain structure. However, its relatively
 287 low frequency, 1 in ~3,400, (deletions) and 1 in 2,100 (duplications)^{8,16}, has hampered
 288 the study of its effects on brain structure.

289 1q21.1 distal deletion and duplication carriers are both at higher risk for several
 290 neurodevelopmental disorders including schizophrenia²⁴, intellectual disability (ID),
 291 developmental delay (DD), speech problems, autism spectrum disorders (ASD), motor
 292 impairment^{19,25-27} and epilepsy^{25,28}, in addition to separate risk for the duplication
 293 carriers for ADHD²⁹, bipolar disorder and major depression^{30,31}. Further, general
 294 cognitive ability (IQ) was lower in carriers in a small clinical study¹⁹ and in the UK
 295 biobank³². In addition, 1q21.1 distal CNVs display a positive dose response on head
 296 circumference¹⁹⁻²¹, height and weight^{33,34} and are associated with various somatic

297 diseases and traits including bone and muscle deviations³³ and cataract³⁵ (deletion only),
 298 diabetes³⁵ (duplication only) and heart disease³⁵⁻³⁸ (both). Conversely, several studies
 299 report carriers without any clinically evident phenotypes^{19, 37} and considerable
 300 heterogeneity^{39, 40}, suggesting incomplete penetrance and variable expressivity. The
 301 Df(h1q21) +/- mouse, deleted in the syntenic 1q21.1 distal region, displays some
 302 phenotypes similar to human CNV carriers, including reduced head-to-tail-length and
 303 altered dopamine transmission in response to psychostimulants, as seen in people with
 304 schizophrenia⁴¹.

305 The 1q21 region in humans is rich in low copy number repeats^{20, 42} and contains several
 306 recurrent CNVs with differing breakpoints^{21, 36}. Thus, gene estimates vary, but the core
 307 interval encompasses at least twelve protein-coding genes including several human-
 308 specific genes such as *HYDIN2*^{21, 36}, *NOTCH2NLs*^{22, 23} and the DUF1220/Olduvain
 309 domain containing *NBPF*-encoding genes⁴³⁻⁴⁵ – the two latter were recently shown to
 310 have evolved as a two-gene unit⁴⁶. Particularly interesting in the context of brain
 311 development are the recently characterized *NOTCH2NL* genes, absent in human's closest
 312 living relatives and shown to prolong cortical neurogenesis^{22, 23}.

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314 Despite the strong effects on neurodevelopmental traits and disorders, the impact of the
 315 1q21.1 CNVs on human brain structure is largely unknown. Here, we present the first
 316 large-scale systematic neuroimaging study of 1q21.1 distal CNV carriers, investigating
 317 brain structure in more than 37,000 individuals including 28 deletion and 22 duplication
 318 carriers. We mapped the effect of the 1q21.1 distal CNV on subcortical volumes,
 319 intracranial volume (ICV) and global and regional measures of mean cortical thickness
 320 and surface area. We investigated variation in cognitive task performance and
 321 supplemented with exploratory mediation analysis of the brain on cognition in the UK

322 Biobank. Given prior findings^{19-21, 47}, we explored a dose-dependent effect of copy
 323 number on brain structures and decreased cognitive performance for both 1q21.1 distal
 324 deletion and duplication carriers in comparison to non-carriers.

325 **Materials and Methods**

326 **Sample description**

327 The brain structural sample comprises a total of 39 cohorts with genotyping and MRI
 328 imaging data – 38 from the ENIGMA-CNV consortium in addition to a subsample of the
 329 UK Biobank⁴⁸ (project ID number #27412). Demographic characteristics for each cohort
 330 is described in Supplementary Table 1 with a reference to participants' collection and
 331 data sets including individual inclusion and exclusion parameters. Extended information
 332 on diagnosis and family information can be found in Supplementary Note 1 and age
 333 distribution of the cohorts in Supplementary Figure 1. All participants gave written
 334 informed consent and sites involved obtained ethical approvals. The main 1q21.1 distal
 335 sample consisted of 28 deletion carriers, 22 duplication carriers and 37,088 non-carriers
 336 (Table 1) from 13 different datasets and 15 scanner sites with various ascertainments
 337 (family, clinical and population studies, case-control study for psychiatric disease)
 338 collected up until Sep 30, 2019. Non-carriers were defined as having no CNVs known to
 339 cause neurodevelopmental diseases (as defined in Supplementary Table 2). In the meta-
 340 analysis, an independent Icelandic sample from deCODE Genetics consisting of two
 341 deletion carriers and five duplication carriers in addition to 1150 non-carriers was added.
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343 **Genotyping and QC**

344 The genotypes were obtained by genotyping with commercially available platforms,
 345 performed at participating sites for each cohort (Supplementary Table 1). Individuals
 346 were excluded exclusively based on quality control (QC) parameters from the CNV

347 calling. No exclusion was done due to ancestry in the primary analysis but the effect of
348 ancestry was evaluated in a separate analysis (see below).

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350 **CNV calls and validation in the core ENIGMA-CNV sample**

351 Almost all cohorts had CNVs called and identified in a unified manner as described
352 previously¹⁵. In brief, CNVs were called using PennCNV⁴⁹ and appropriate population
353 frequency (PFB)-files and GC (content)-model files (Supplementary Table 3) (See
354 Supplementary Notes 2 and 3). Samples were filtered and CNVs identified based on
355 standardized quality control metrics¹⁵ (Supplementary Notes 2 and 3). The 1q21.1 distal
356 region was well-covered by all arrays (Supplementary Figure 2). CNVs overlapping the
357 region of interest (1q21.1 distal and 1q21.1 distal and proximal) were identified with the
358 R package iPsychCNV, visualized and manually inspected.

359 **Image acquisition and processing**

360 All brain measures were obtained from structural T1-weighted MRI data collected at
361 participating sites around the world and analyzed with the standardized image analysis,
362 FreeSurfer, quality assurance and statistical methods as per the harmonized neuroimaging
363 protocols developed within ENIGMA2³ and ENIGMA3
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365 processing is provided in Supplementary Note 4. Details on study, scanner, vendor, field
366 strength, sequence, acquisition parameters and FreeSurfer versions used are outlined in
367 Supplementary Table 4.

368 **Statistical Analysis**

369 Imaging data processing and CNV calling were performed locally and de-identified CNV
370 and imaging data were provided for a central mega-analysis. One of a pair of duplicates
371 was kept. Relatives were removed from the sample used for the main analysis. In

372 addition, we conducted a number of sensitivity analyses to test the robustness of the
373 results (Supplementary Note 5, Supplementary Tables 5, 6, 7 and 8). Individuals with a
374 minimum overlap of 0.4 to regions with known pathogenic CNVs (Supplementary Table
375 2) were excluded from the analysis regardless of copy number status as were individuals
376 from scanner sites without 1q21.1 distal CNV carriers.

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378 Brain measures were normalized in R v3.3.2 by an inverse normal transformation of the
379 residual of a linear regression on the phenotype correcting for covariates as done
380 previously¹⁵. For the primary analysis, covariates were age, age², sex, scanner site and
381 ICV. In the analysis of ICV, ICV was not included as a covariate. These final covariance-
382 corrected values were used in downstream analysis and are reported for each measure.
383 For comparison between groups, normalization was carried out including only the groups
384 addressed (deletion and non-carriers, duplications and non-carriers) except for the
385 deletion versus duplication comparison, where values from normalization of the entire
386 dataset was used due to the low numbers.

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388 For the copy number dosage effect analysis (i.e. the effect on brain structure of 1q21.1
389 distal copy number variation), a linear regression on the copy number status of the
390 individuals (deletion=1, normal=2, duplication=3) was performed using the following
391 model: covariance-corrected, normalized brain measure ~ copy number (deletion=1, non-
392 carrier=2, duplication=3). For comparison between groups, a two sample two-sided t-test
393 assuming equal variance in all carrier/non-carrier groups was employed (R v3.3.2) where
394 deletion or duplication carriers were compared either to each other or to non-carriers. To
395 correct for the multiple comparisons, we calculated the number of independent outcome
396 measures through spectral decomposition of a correlation matrix using MatSpDlite

397 (<https://neurogenetics.qimrberghofer.edu.au/matSpDlite/>) of the three global, seven
 398 subcortical and 68 regional cortical measures. Based on the ratio of observed eigenvalue
 399 variance to its theoretical maximum, the estimated equivalent of independent measures
 400 was 36. Thus, we set the significance threshold at $\alpha=0.05/36=0.0014$. We report the
 401 uncorrected p-values throughout the manuscript.

402 Effect size is calculated as the absolute effect size (the difference in mean between the
 403 two copy number groups in the t-test – which, in this case, equals Cohen's d as the
 404 standard deviation of the normalized brain measures is one) and the estimate of beta in
 405 the linear regression. Plots were generated using R library ggplot2 v2.2.1⁵⁰. Regional
 406 cortical visualisation was done with the R package ggseg v1.5.1.

407 In a novel analysis, the independent Icelandic data was processed and analyzed as the
 408 main dataset. We meta-analyzed the results using the R package *metafor* v2.0.0, as
 409 previously¹⁵.

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411 *Cognitive task performance data*

412 We downloaded behavioral performance measures on seven cognitive tests (the pairs
 413 matching task, the reaction time task, reasoning and problem solving tests, the digit span
 414 test, the symbol digit substitution test and the trail making A and B tests) from the UK
 415 Biobank repository, performed by at least 10% of the participants. The results were
 416 processed following the general approach by Kendall et al¹⁶. For more details, see
 417 Supplementary Note 6. For the analysis of the seven cognitive measures, we set the
 418 significance threshold to $\alpha=.05/7=.007$.

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420 **Mediation analysis**

Mediation analyses were done with the R package *mediation* v4.4.7. Brain measures were normalized as described above and cognitive tasks were corrected for age, age² and sex prior to input into the analysis. We report the proportion of the total effect of the CNV on cognitive task performance mediated by the brain measures (“path ab”/“path c”), with p-values calculated through quasi-Bayesian approximation using 5000 simulations. We set the significance threshold at $\alpha=.05/((2+4)\times 6)=1.4 \times 10^{-3}$ given the test of two structures for deletion and four for duplication carriers on six cognitive tests. The digit span test was excluded since no 1q21.1 CNV carriers had results from both this cognitive test and brain structural data.

Data availability

The authors declare that the data supporting the findings of this study are available within the paper and its supplementary information files. The data was gathered from various resources, and material requests will need to be placed with individual PIs. I.E.S. can provide additional detail upon correspondence. Data from PING is available at NIMH Data Archive: https://ndar.nih.gov/edit_collection.html?id=2607

Results

Sample characteristics

The main 1q21.1 distal (146.5-147.4Mb, hg19) brain structural dataset consisted of 28 deletion and 22 duplication carriers and 37,088 non-carriers (derived from the same scanner sites as the CNV carriers) from ENIGMA-CNV and UK biobank (Table 1, separate demographics in Supplementary Table 9). The age of CNV carriers was lower (41.7±19.0 (deletions), 55.4±12.7 (duplications), respectively) than that of non-carriers (61.1±12.1) (Table 1). Eleven deletion carriers and seven duplication carriers had a

known neurological, neurodevelopmental or psychiatric diagnosis or had been recruited in a clinical CNV study. The remaining carriers either did not have an established diagnosis or were recruited in studies from which diagnostic information was unavailable (Table 1, Supplementary Table 10). Of the 37,088 non-carriers, 6.5 % (2,425) had an established neurological, neurodevelopmental or psychiatric disorder.

1q21.1 distal CNV associated with global cortical surface structures

For our main dataset, there was a significant positive association between the number of 1q21.1 distal copies and ICV ($\beta = 1.47$, $P = 2.8 \times 10^{-25}$) as well as cortical surface area ($\beta = 0.81$, $P = 1.1 \times 10^{-8}$) (Figure 1, Supplementary Table 5) at a significance threshold of $P < 0.0014$ after correction for age, age², sex, scanner site and ICV. In contrast, a significant negative copy number dosage effect was identified for the caudate ($\beta = -0.49$, $P = 6.9 \times 10^{-4}$) and hippocampal volumes ($\beta = -0.56$, $P = 1.3 \times 10^{-4}$) T-tests indicated a decrease in ICV (Cohen's D = -1.84 (-17%), $P = 1.6 \times 10^{-22}$) for deletion carriers and an increase for duplication carriers (Cohen's D = 0.90 (+10%), $P = 2.3 \times 10^{-5}$), respectively, compared to non-carriers (Supplementary Table 6). For a raw value plot of ICV, see Supplementary Figure 3. The cortical surface area dosage effect was primarily driven by the deletion carriers with a significantly lower total cortical surface area (Cohen's D = -1.13 (-23%), $P = 2.1 \times 10^{-9}$) and the dosage effect on caudate and hippocampus was primarily driven by duplication carriers with significantly smaller caudate (Cohen's D = -0.71 (-16%), $P = 0.0012$) and hippocampal (Cohen's D = -0.92 (-15%), $P = 4.1 \times 10^{-5}$) volumes than non-carriers (Figure 1, Supplementary Table 7). Adding an independent Icelandic dataset with two deletion, five duplication and 1150 non-carriers (Table 1) in a meta-analysis strengthened the majority of the dosage results (Supplementary Figure 4,

Supplementary Tables 11 and 12) and revealed additional significant between-group differences in nucleus accumbens, caudate and putamen (Supplementary Table 12).

A number of sensitivity analyses was run on the main dataset, namely:

- a) Matching each carrier with one non-carrier for age, sex, scanner site and ICV or age, sex, scanner site;
- b) including only: i) non-affected individuals (i.e. excluding individuals with a known neurodevelopmental or neurological disorder diagnosis; ii) adults (age $\geq$ 18); iii) non-affected adults; iv) children (age $<$ 18); v) ENIGMA-CNV or vi) UK biobank;
- c) controlling for ancestry;
- d) excluding ICV as a covariate or;
- e) including first and second-degree relatives (see Supplementary Note 5 for methods).

These analyses validated the overall effects (Supplementary Tables 5 and 6).

The 1q21.1 distal CNV is associated with regional brain structures

The largest dosage effects for regional cortical surface area were found in the frontal lobes followed by the cingulate cortex - with additional significant effects in three regions of the parietal and temporal lobes (Figure 2, Supplementary Table 7). Likewise, through *t*-tests, the largest effects in both deletion and duplication carriers in comparison to non-carriers were observed in the frontal and cingulate cortices (Figure 3, , Supplementary Table 8).

For regional cortical mean thickness, we identified significant negative dosage effects in the superior temporal region and significant positive dosage effects for the pericalcarine region (Figure 2, Supplementary Tables 7 and 8). Similarly, significant increases in mean

495 cortical thickness were observed in deletion carriers versus non-carriers in the
 496 parstriangularis and superior temporal regions and a significant decrease in the
 497 pericalcarine region (Figure 2, Supplementary Table 8). All regional results were
 498 corrected for age, age², sex, scanner site and ICV. Sensitivity analyses similar to those
 499 performed for subcortical regions confirmed the robustness of the results (Supplementary
 500 Tables 7 and 8).

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502 **1q21.1 distal CNV associated with cognitive performance and mediation by brain**
 503 **structures**

504 Deletion and duplication carriers had different cognitive profiles in comparison to non-
 505 carriers when testing for association in seven different neuropsychological tests available
 506 from the full UK biobank sample: Deletion carriers had significantly poorer performance
 507 in three tests: symbol digit substitution, trail making B and pairs matching while
 508 duplication carriers had significantly poorer performance in two tests: reaction time and
 509 the reasoning and problem solving task (Table 2).

510 Testing the effect of brain structures on cognitive tests in UK biobank participants, larger
 511 ICV and total surface area were associated with better performance on almost all tests
 512 (Table 3, see Supplementary Table 13 for sample size details). A larger hippocampus was
 513 associated with better performance for symbol digit substitution, trail making A and B
 514 (Table 3) and a larger caudate was associated with higher performance on trail making A
 515 (Table 3).

516 Next, we tested whether the brain structures significantly associated with 1q21.1 distal
 517 CNV carriers might mediate the effect of the CNV on cognition. For two of the three
 518 tests associated with deletion carrier status, there were significant mediation effects
 519 (significance threshold 1.4×10^{-3}): Cortical surface area and ICV accounted for 5% and

520 10%, respectively, of the poorer performance of deletion carriers on symbol digit
 521 substitution, and 7% and 17%, respectively, of their poorer performance on the trail
 522 making B test (Table 3).

523

524 **Discussion**

525 Our main finding was a significant positive dosage effect in humans of 1q21.1 distal copy
 526 number on ICV and cortical surface area, with the largest differences in frontal and
 527 cingulate cortical surface area. We also identified a significant negative dosage effect on
 528 caudate and hippocampal volumes. A number of sensitivity analyses confirmed the
 529 robustness of the results. Both 1q21.1 distal deletion and duplication carriers showed
 530 poorer cognitive performance, although on different tests, with an indication that
 531 decreased ICV/cortical surface area might mediate the effect in deletion carriers.

532 *The 1q21.1 distal CNV causes copy dosage effect on brain structures.*

533 We found a strong effect of the 1q21.1 distal CNV on total cortical surface area while no
 534 overall effect on mean cortical thickness was observed. A specific increase in size of the
 535 cortical surface area with little effect on cortical thickness is observed throughout
 536 mammalian evolution including the primate lineage leading to humans⁵¹. This possibly
 537 reflects that cortical thickness and surface area appear to be driven by distinct genetic
 538 processes⁵². This pattern may be the result of an increased number of symmetric or self-
 539 renewing cell-division cycles, leading to an expansion of the neural progenitor pool and
 540 subsequently to an increase in the number of cortical neurons - in line with the radial unit
 541 hypothesis⁵¹. Interestingly, although not significant, mean cortical thickness tended to
 542 decrease in deletion carriers in the frontal cortical surface areas with the highest effect
 543 sizes, resembling a pattern found in lissencephaly⁵³. This could suggest that large

544 regional decreases in cortical surface area correlate inversely with mean cortical
 545 thickness.
 546 The biomechanical forces of brain growth are thought to form the expansion of the
 547 cranium so that the skull grows in harmony with the expanding brain⁵⁴. Thus, the positive
 548 copy number dosage effect on cortical surface area may directly trigger the effect on head
 549 circumference¹⁹⁻²¹ and ICV of 1q21.1 distal carriers due to modifications in pressure.
 550 Altered mechanical pressure might also cause the negative copy number dosage effect on
 551 hippocampus and caudate volumes, effects on subcortical volumes also observed in a UK
 552 biobank exploratory study on six individuals with a 1q21.1 distal duplication⁵⁵.

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554 ***Human-specific genes may affect the cortical surface area and cross-species effects***

555 The positive copy number dosage effect on brain structure with the same direction as for
 556 weight and height^{33, 34} likely results from altered gene expression as observed in 1q21.1
 557 distal CNV cell lines⁴⁷. In an independent experiment on fetal tissue, we also observed a
 558 dynamic expression patterns of the genes in the 1q21.1 interval consistent with potential
 559 roles in cortical neurogenesis and development (Supplementary Note 7, Supplementary
 560 Figures 5 & 6). Genome-wide association studies (GWAS) based on the hg19 genome
 561 assembly have not identified hits in the 1q21.1 genomic region for ICV⁵⁶, total cortical or
 562 regional surface area^{52, 57}. Assembly of the 1q21.1 region⁵⁸ and thus gene discovery is
 563 complicated due to the presence of numerous low copy number repeats^{20, 42} and has been
 564 faulty until the GRCh38 genome assembly. This may explain the lack of GWAS hits in
 565 the region.

566 Candidates for a dosage-dependent amplifier of the CNV-associated brain phenotypes are
 567 the recently identified human-specific NOTCH2NL genes that confer delayed neuronal
 568 differentiation and increased progenitor self-renewal^{22, 23} - in line with the radial unit

hypothesis⁵¹. The areas with the highest regional effect sizes overlap with the areas of the highest expression of NOTCH2NLA and C in utero²² in concordance with an early developmental effect such as the macrocephaly observed *in utero* in a 1q21.1 distal duplication carrier³⁷. Our observations of a 2 % reduced skull diameter in the 1q21.1 deletion mouse (Supplementary Figure 7, Supplementary Notes 8 and 9) and recent findings of decreased total brain volume focused on the temporo-parietal and subcortical areas in the deletion mouse⁵⁹, suggests that genes overlapping between human and mice (nine of ten mice genes are syntenic to the human region⁴¹), and not specific to humans are also involved in the altered skull and brain morphology. However, although diameter and volume are not directly comparable, the 17% decrease in ICV in human 1q21.1 deletion carriers would still point towards a substantial role of human-specific genes or genes with altered functions in comparison to mice. This underlines the need for additional data to disentangle which specific genes are involved in the skull and brain structural phenotypes. Of note, we also observed shorter bones overall in the 1q21.1 deletion mice (Supplementary Figure 7, Supplementary Note 9) expanding on previous head-tail length data⁴¹ and lower bone mineral density in female mice (Supplementary Figure 8, Supplementary Note 9) which mirror bone characteristics from human deletion carriers³³ increasing the number of observed cross-species effects between the 1q21.1 mice and human 1q21.1 deletion carriers.

1q21.1 distal CNV deletion and duplication carriers show deficits in different cognitive functions.

Our findings of widespread lower performance across several tests in different domains for both carrier groups in the volunteer-based UK Biobank sample are in line with cognitive results from a recent study³² and support that cognitive function in CNV carriers largely without a neurodevelopmental diagnosis may still be compromised^{8, 16}.

594 Interestingly, the frontal and cingulate regions⁶⁰, with the greatest cortical effect sizes for
595 1q21.1 distal correlate particularly with cognitive function and have gone through the
596 greatest expansion during human development and evolution⁶¹. Our analyses indicated
597 that the decreases in cognitive task performance are partially mediated by the observed
598 differences in ICV and cortical surface area, reflecting the positive correlation between
599 brain volume and intellectual function in line with previous findings⁶². The decrease in
600 performance for several cognitive tasks in duplication carriers despite a larger ICV and
601 cortical surface area suggests that the positive correlations may only be applicable within
602 a certain narrower range. Interestingly, recent genetic analysis of NOTCH2NL in archaic
603 and modern humans revealed ongoing adaptive evolution towards a lower dosage of the
604 protein⁶³ suggesting negative effects of too much NOTCH2NL protein.

605 Our brain structural findings in 1q21.1 distal CNV carriers overlap with brain alterations
606 in associated disorders: e.g. ADHD⁶⁴, ASD⁶⁵ schizophrenia⁶⁶, bipolar disorder⁶⁷, major
607 depressive disorder⁶⁸ and subtypes of epilepsy⁶⁹ but the exact overlaps differ between
608 carrier groups. Of note, 1q21.1 distal deletion and duplication carriers display direct,
609 opposite effects on several brain structures while at risk for the same neurodevelopmental
610 diseases. Other pathogenic CNVs also display overlapping disease risk and similar
611 opposite copy number effects^{6, 8-15} including effects on cortical surface area in 22q11 and
612 16p11.2 proximal CNV carriers^{6, 12-14}. These CNVs impact different genes but may
613 converge on the same downstream pathways altering cortical surface area formation,
614 similar to what has been reported for behavioral and neurocognitive phenotypes²⁷.

615 This also suggests that other risk factors interplay to cause disease. It also supports that
616 subgroups within neurodevelopmental disorders can be defined based on genetic profile
617 and brain structural differences.

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619 We demonstrate large effects of 1q21.1 distal CNVs on brain structure and cognition in
 620 humans and recapitulation of the smaller head size and other skeletal characteristics in
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1148 **Tables**

Table 1: Demographic data.

	ENIGMA-CNV					deCODE		
	del	nc	dup	P		del	nc	dup
n	28	37088	22			2	1150	5
Sex = male (%)	15 (54%)	17912 (48%)	9 (41%)			1 (50%)	511 (44%)	2 (33%)
Age (mean (sd))	41.7 (19.0)	61.1 (12.8)	55.4 (12.7)	<0.001		53.5 (2.1)	44.8 (12.4)	46.4 (16.5)
Children (age<18)	4 (14%)	665 (1.8%)		<0.001		0	0	0
Known diagnosis (%)	11 (39.3%)	2424 (6.5%)	7 (32%)	<0.001			238 (21%)	2 (40%)
DiseaseType (%)								
ADHD		1 (~0%)					181 (16%)	2 (40%)
Autism							2 (0.2%)	
Bipolar disorder							7 (0.6%)	
Clinically recruited (no diagnosis)	6 (21.4%)		4 (18%)					
Dyslexia	1 (3.6 %)							
F-ICD-10-diagnosis (UK biobank)		858 (2.3%)	1 (4%)					
G-ICD10-diagnosis (UK biobank)	1 (3.0%)	1439 (3.8%)	1 (4%)					
MDD		1 (~0%)						
Multiple diagnoses*	2 (7.2%)		1 (4.5%)					
Persistent depressive disorder		1 (~0%)						
SCZ	1 (3.6)	124 (0.3)					48 (4.2%)	
Scannersites	11	15	8			2	2	1
Datasets	9	13	7			1	1	1

P (p-value) is based on a Chi-squared test for categorical values and ANOVA for continuous values. ADHD = attention deficit disorder, clinically recruited = recruited in clinical NDD study but without a diagnosis, MDD = major depressive disorder, SCZ = schizophrenia, del = deletion carrier, nc = non-carriers, dup = duplication carrier, NS=non-significant. * [1st deletion carrier: Agoraphobia, Avoidant personality disorder (AvPD), Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD), Dependent personality disorder (DPD), other substance related disorder, conduct disorder. 2nd deletion carrier: Specific phobia, social phobia, MDD, AvPD, Schizotypal personality disorder (STPD). Duplication carrier: Social phobia, OCD, MDD, AvPD.]

Table 2: 1q21.1 CNV deletion and duplication carriers show deficits in specific cognitive functions.

Test	Suggested domain	n		del vs nc		dup vs nc	
		del	nc	Cohen's D (SE)	P	Cohen's D (SE)	P
Pairs Matching	Working memory	119	468 709	-0.36 (0.09)	7.3E-05 **	0.03 (0.01)	0.7
Reaction Time	Simple processing speed	115	464 648	-0.12 (0.06)	0.18	-0.23 (0.07)	2.1E-03 *
Reasoning and problem solving	Fluid Intelligence	29	154 490	-0.48 (0.19)	9.2E-03	-0.33 (0.12)	5.3E-03 *
Digit Span	Numeric memory	12	47 569	-0.27 (0.14)	0.36	0.14 (0.07)	0.47
Symbol Digit Substitution	Complex processing speed	24	111 900	-0.78 (0.2)	1.4E-04 **	0.04 (0.02)	0.83
Trail Making A	Visual attention	23	98 495	-0.29 (0.15)	0.16	-0.14 (0.07)	0.45
Trail Making B	Visual attention	23	98 494	-0.87 (0.21)	3.1E-05 ***	-0.19 (0.1)	0.33

Note: n=sample size; del=Deletion carriers; dup=duplication carriers; nc=non-carriers; SE=Standard error, P=P-value. Multiple comparison-corrected significant findings (p<.007) are indicated in bold and with *<0.007, **<0.0007, ***<0.00007.

Table 3: Mediation analysis of brain structures over the association between 1q21.1 distal CNV carrier status and performance in the cognitive tasks in the UK Biobank.

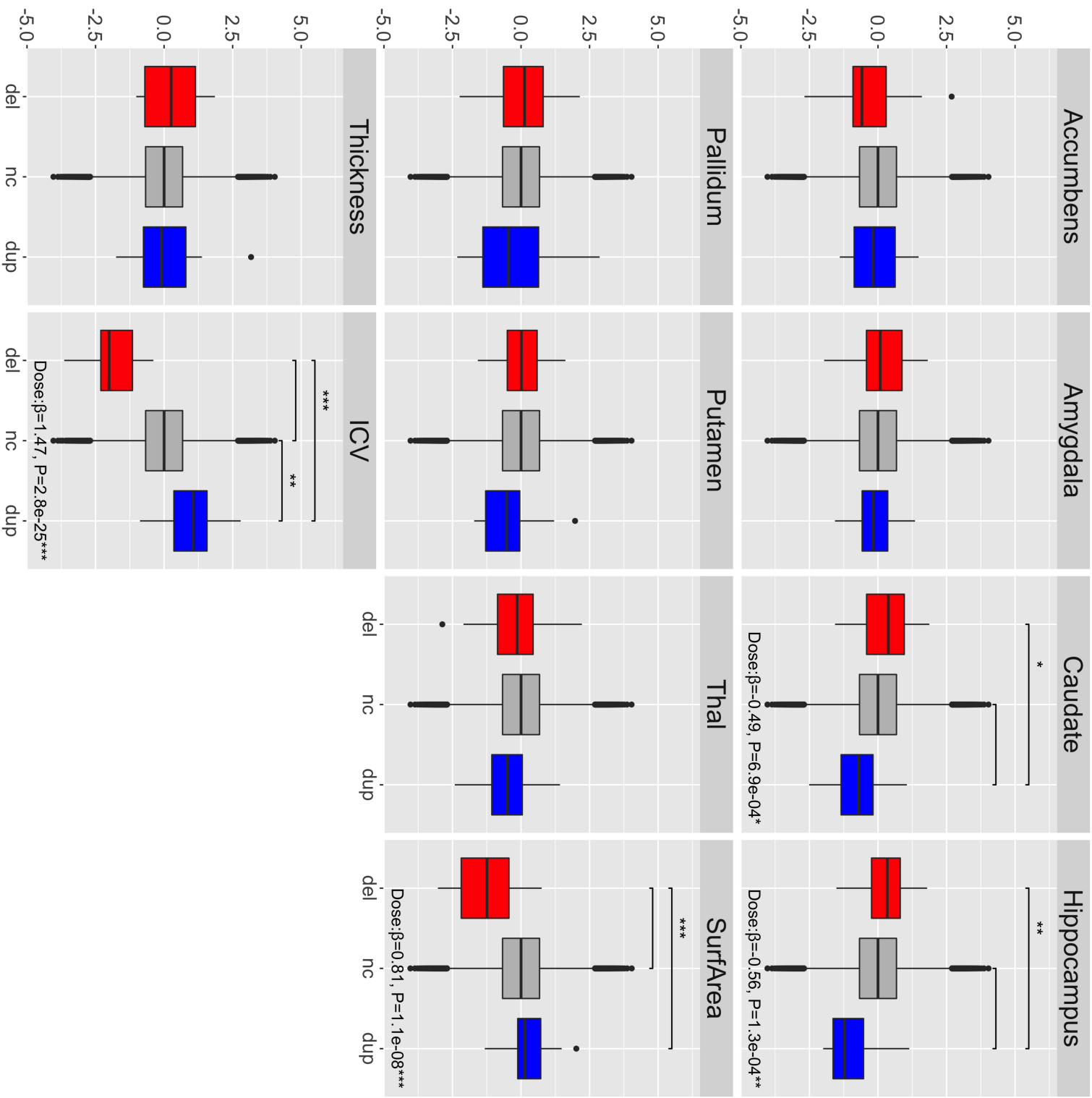
Path B is the effect of the brain structure on cognition overall including all 1q21.1 deletion and duplication carriers (4-13 CNV carriers in each group) and non-carriers (n= 10,501-30,924; for exact numbers, see Supplementary Table 13). Each calculation included 5000 simulations.

	Path B - effect of brain structure on cognition		DELETION		DUPLICATION	
	Estimate (SE)	P	Prop. mediated	P	Prop. mediated	P
<i><u>Pairs matching</u></i>						
Caudate	0.0023 (0.0053)	0.66			3.5E-03	0.85
Hippocampus	0.005 (0.0052)	0.34			9.8E-03	0.68
SurfArea	0.031 (0.0055)	1.9E-08	-0.07	0.65	-4.4E-03	0.9
ICV	0.027 (0.0054)	4.3E-07	-0.12	0.64	-0.07	0.51
<i><u>Reaction Time</u></i>						
Caudate	-0.0016 (0.0054)	0.77			-2.3E-03	0.67
Hippocampus	0.01 (0.0053)	0.053			0.01	0.04
SurfArea	-0.0095 (0.0056)	0.091	0.02	0.13	7.3E-04	0.78
ICV	0.029 (0.0055)	2.4E-07	-0.1	0.07	-0.03	2.4E-03
<i><u>Reasoning and problem solving</u></i>						
Caudate	-0.0059 (0.0091)	0.51			5.7E-03	0.55
Hippocampus	0.0031 (0.0089)	0.73			-9.6E-05	0.95
SurfArea	0.052 (0.0094)	2.6E-08	0.06	0.250	-7.4E-04	0.97
ICV	0.15 (0.0092)	3.7E-59	0.25	0.24	0.18	0.04
<i><u>Symbol digit substitution</u></i>						
Caudate	0.0011 (0.0077)	0.88			-4.2E-03	0.83
Hippocampus	0.04 (0.0075)	6.5E-08			-0.01	0.82
SurfArea	0.055 (0.0079)	3.8E-12	0.05	2.4E-03	6.9E-04	0.99
ICV	0.066 (0.0079)	3.6E-17	0.1	4.0E-04	0.13	0.68
<i><u>Trail Making A</u></i>						
Caudate	0.034 (0.0084)	5.7E-05			4.4E-04	1
Hippocampus	0.04 (0.0081)	1.0E-06			3.0E-03	0.97
SurfArea	0.046 (0.0086)	1.1E-07	0.09	0.19	1.1E-03	0.98
ICV	0.059 (0.0085)	6.1E-12	0.21	0.20	-0.01	0.99
<i><u>Trail Making B</u></i>						
Caudate	0.021 (0.0083)	0.012			-0.01	0.79
Hippocampus	0.04 (0.008)	6.9E-07			-0.01	0.86
SurfArea	0.082 (0.0085)	6.4E-22	0.07	8.0E-04	8.9E-03	0.92
ICV	0.11 (0.0084)	1.2E-36	0.17	1.2E-03	0.16	0.73

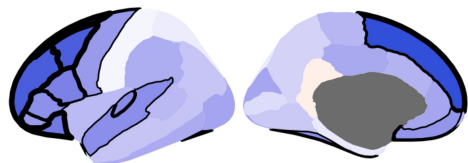
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Figure 1: Cortical surface area and ICV show a positive dosage effect and caudate and hippocampus a negative dosage effect to copy number in the 1q21.1 distal region in our main sample (ENIGMA-CNV and UK biobank). Boxplots of subcortical volumes, cortical surface area and mean cortical thickness and ICV are shown. Deletion carriers (del) in red, non-carriers (nc) in grey and duplication carriers (dup) in blue, respectively. The normalized brain values are presented. Boxplots represent the mean. Copy number dosage effect is noted at the bottom of each panel. Significant differences after correction between groups are noted as * = $P < 0.0014$, ** = $P < 0.00014$, *** = $P < 0.000014$. Centre line represents median, box limits are the upper and lower 25 % quartiles, whiskers the 1.5 interquartile range and the points are the outliers. All analyses were corrected for age, age squared, sex, scanner site and ICV (except for ICV).

Figure 2. Results from the t-tests and linear regression of 1q21.1 copy number variation on regional cortical surface area and cortical thickness. 1st and 3rd rows: Effect sizes (Cohen's d for the t-tests, beta coefficient for the dosage/linear regression). 2nd and 4th rows: Statistical significance in $-\log_{10}$ of the p-value. Significant areas in rows 1 and 3 are marked with black lines with increasing thickness for increasing significance ($P < 0.0014$). The column names indicate the comparisons with del=deletion carriers, nc=non-carriers, dup=duplication carriers. All measures were corrected for age, age², sex, scanner site and ICV.



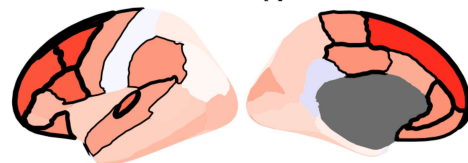
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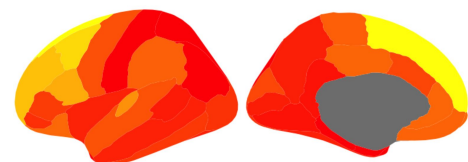
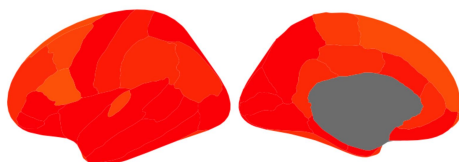
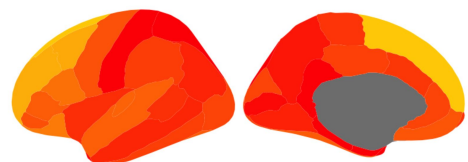
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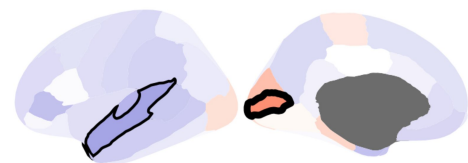
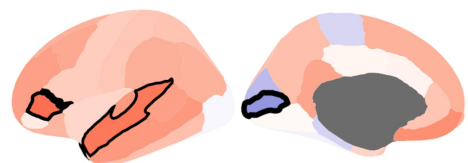


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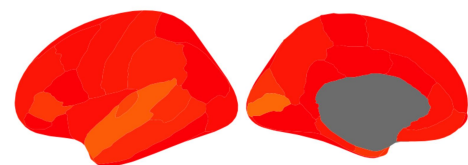
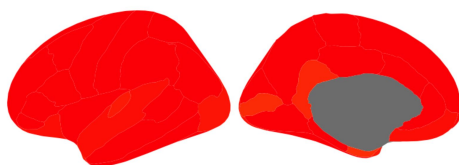
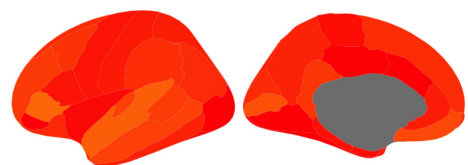


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Cortical Thickness



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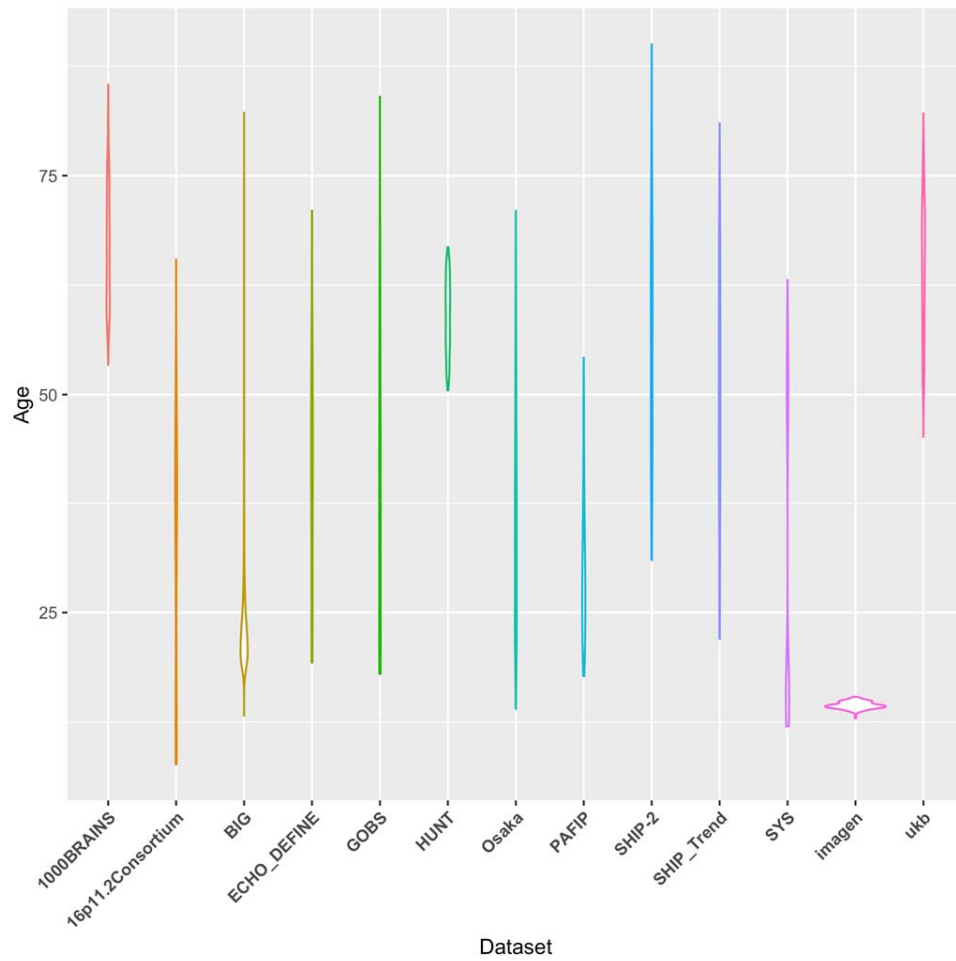
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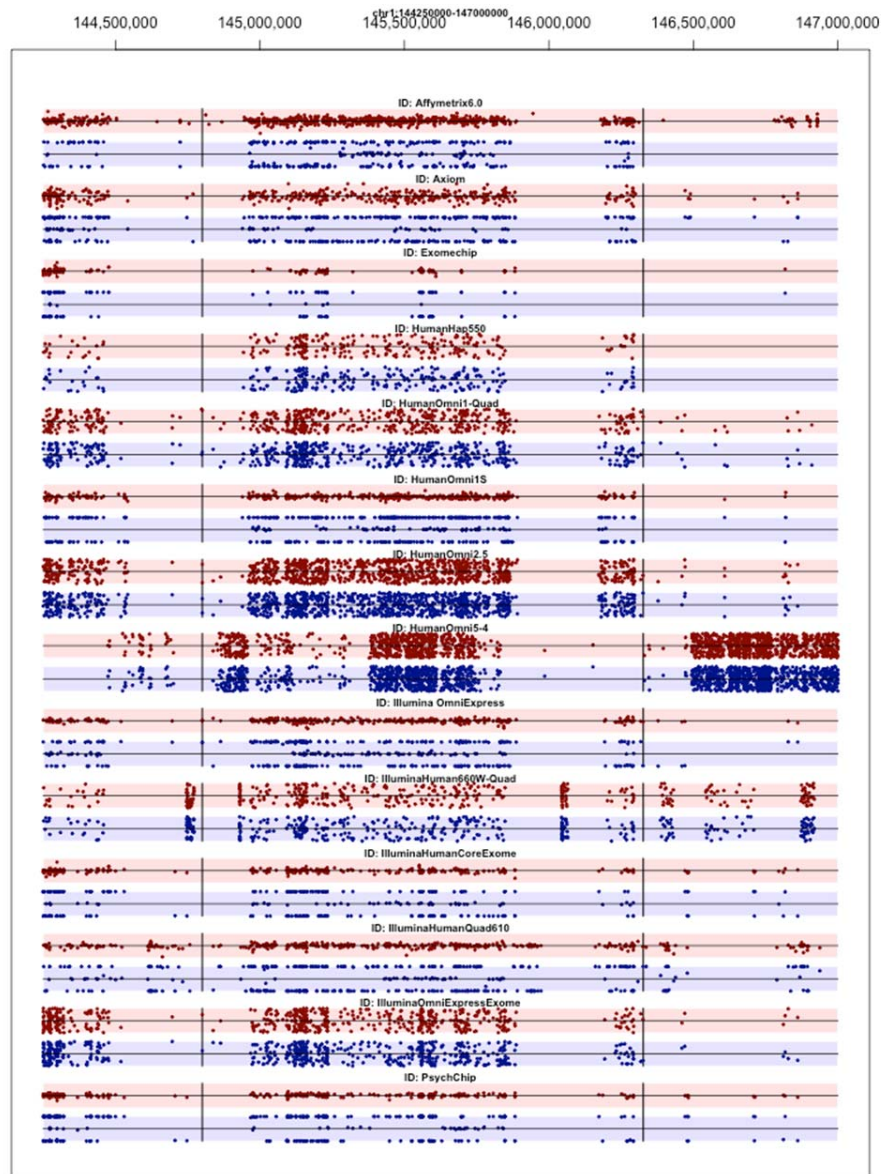
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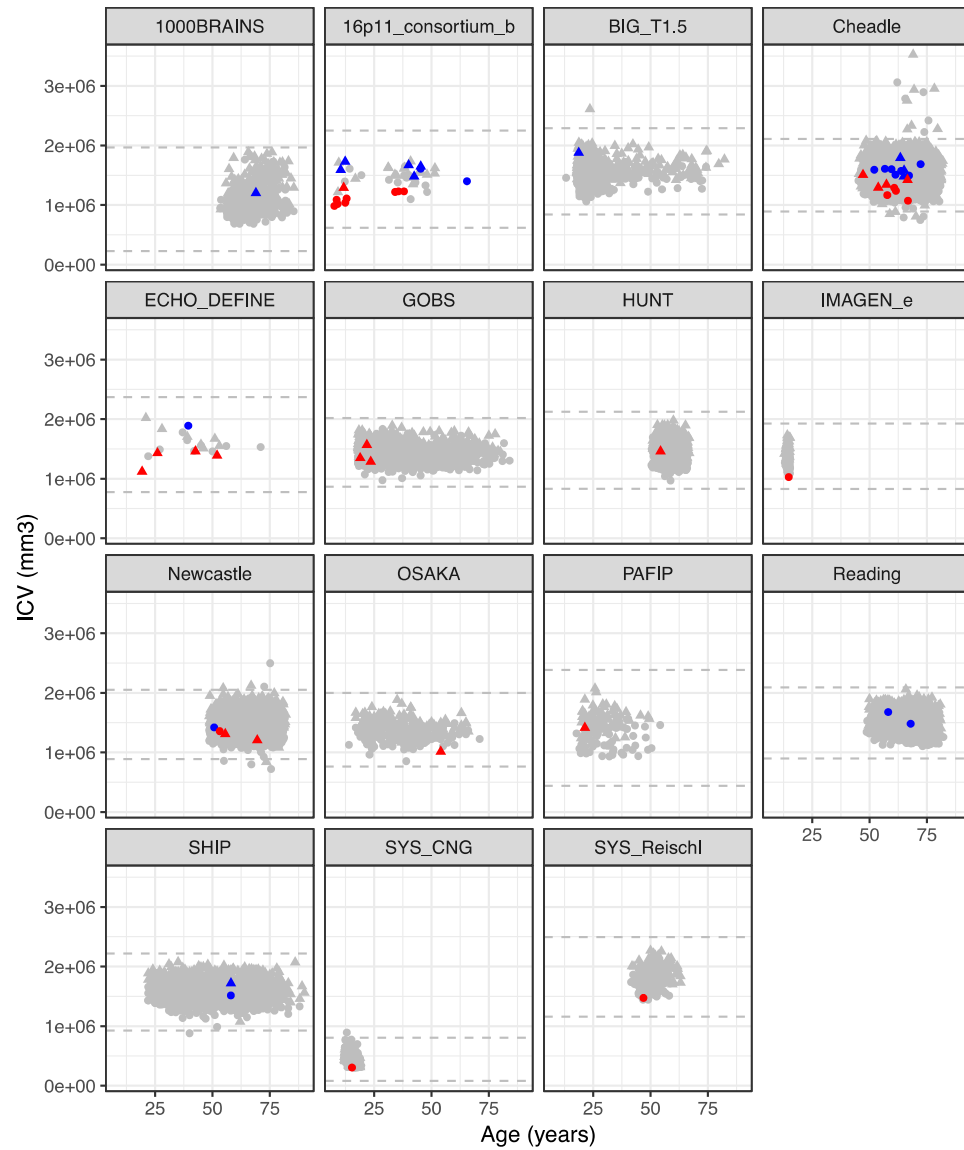


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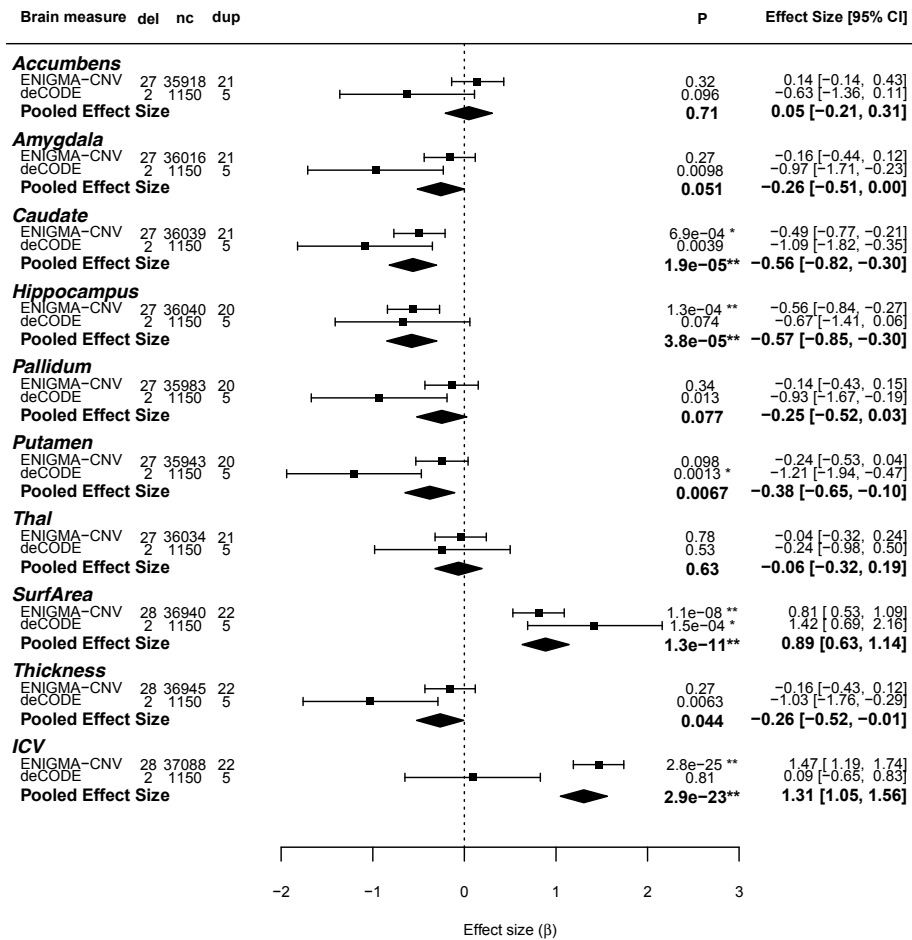


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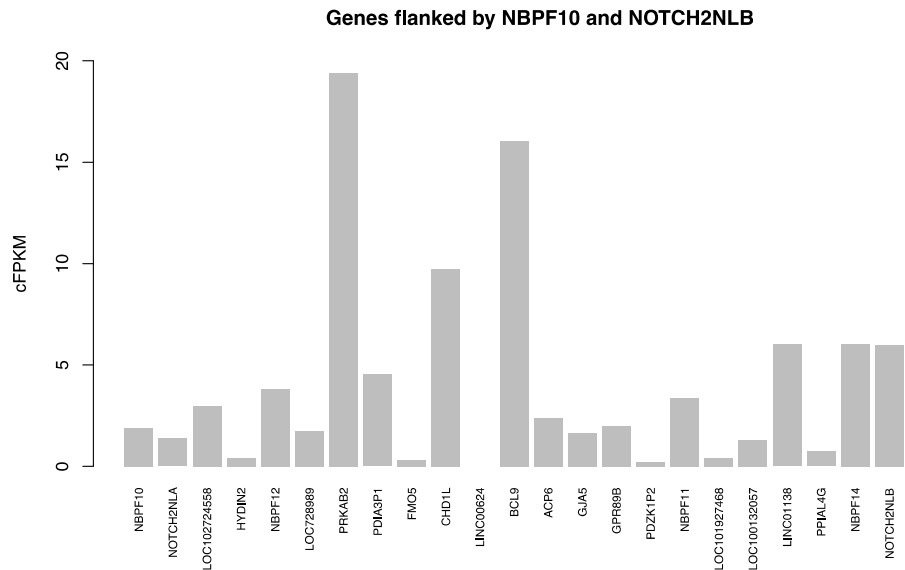
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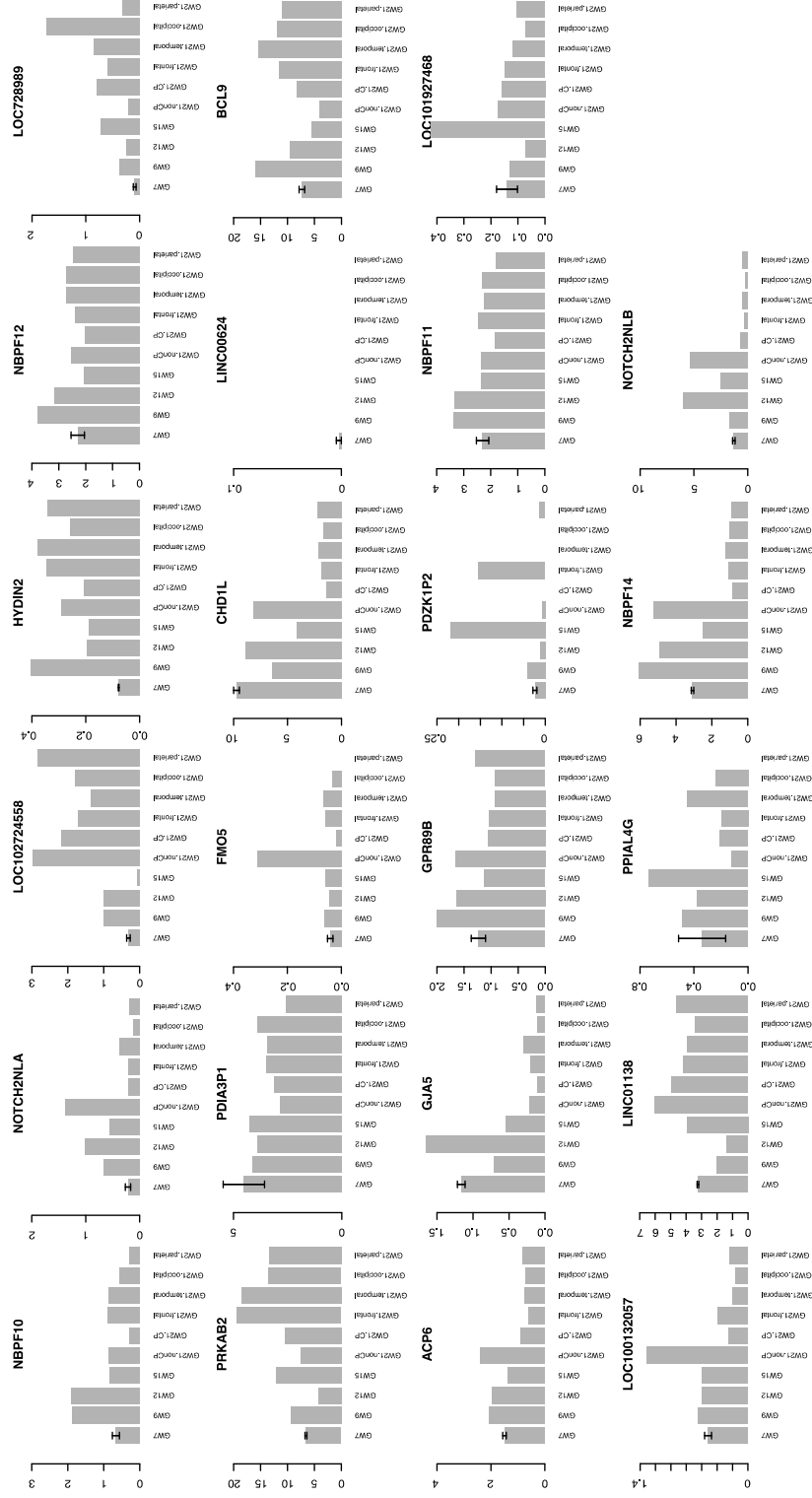
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Supplementary Figure 5: Expression peak of the genes encoded in the 1q21.1

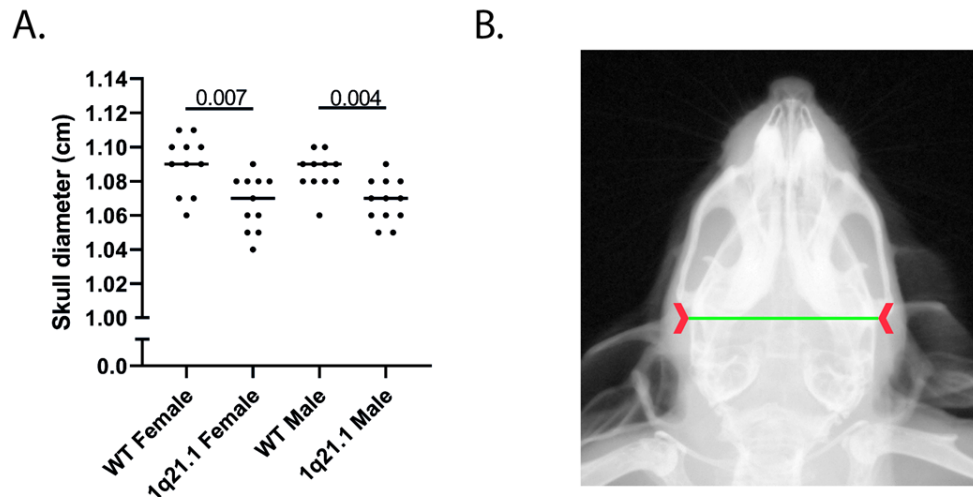
interval during human fetal corticogenesis. The highest expression value for each gene in the developmental stages from GW7 to GW21 is indicated. The genes are ordered according to their chromosomal positions. cFPKM = corrected Fragment Per Kilobase and Million reads.

Genes flanked by NBPF10 and NOTCH2NLB

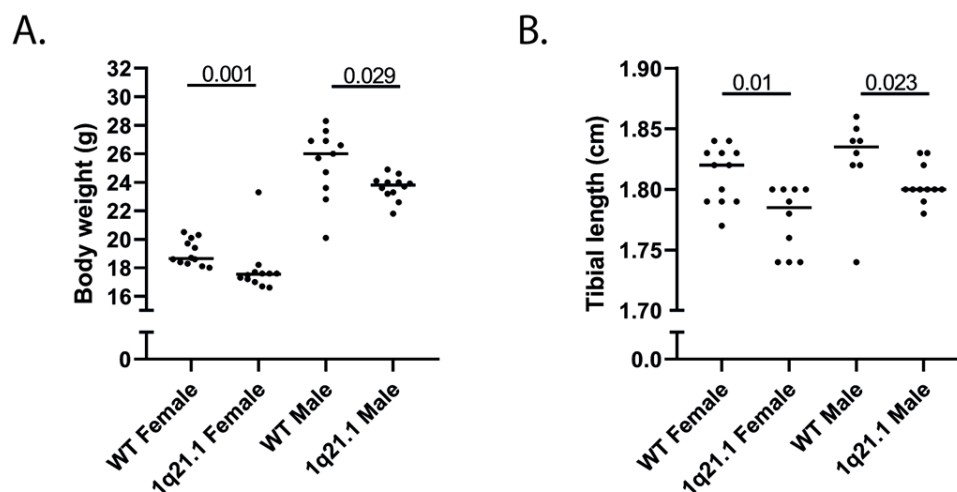


Supplementary Figure 6: RNA-seq profile of genes in the 1q21.1 interval during human corticogenesis. The expression value for each gene in corrected Fragment Per Kilobase and Million reads (cFPKM) in the developmental stages from gestation week 7 (GW7) to 21 (GW21) is

indicated. The GW21 stage samples include dissection into frontal, temporal, occipital and parietal lobes. The parietal area was further microdissected into the cortical plate (CP) and underlying domains of the cortical wall (non-CP, containing mostly outer-subventricular zone (oSVZ) and ventricular zone germinal zones.

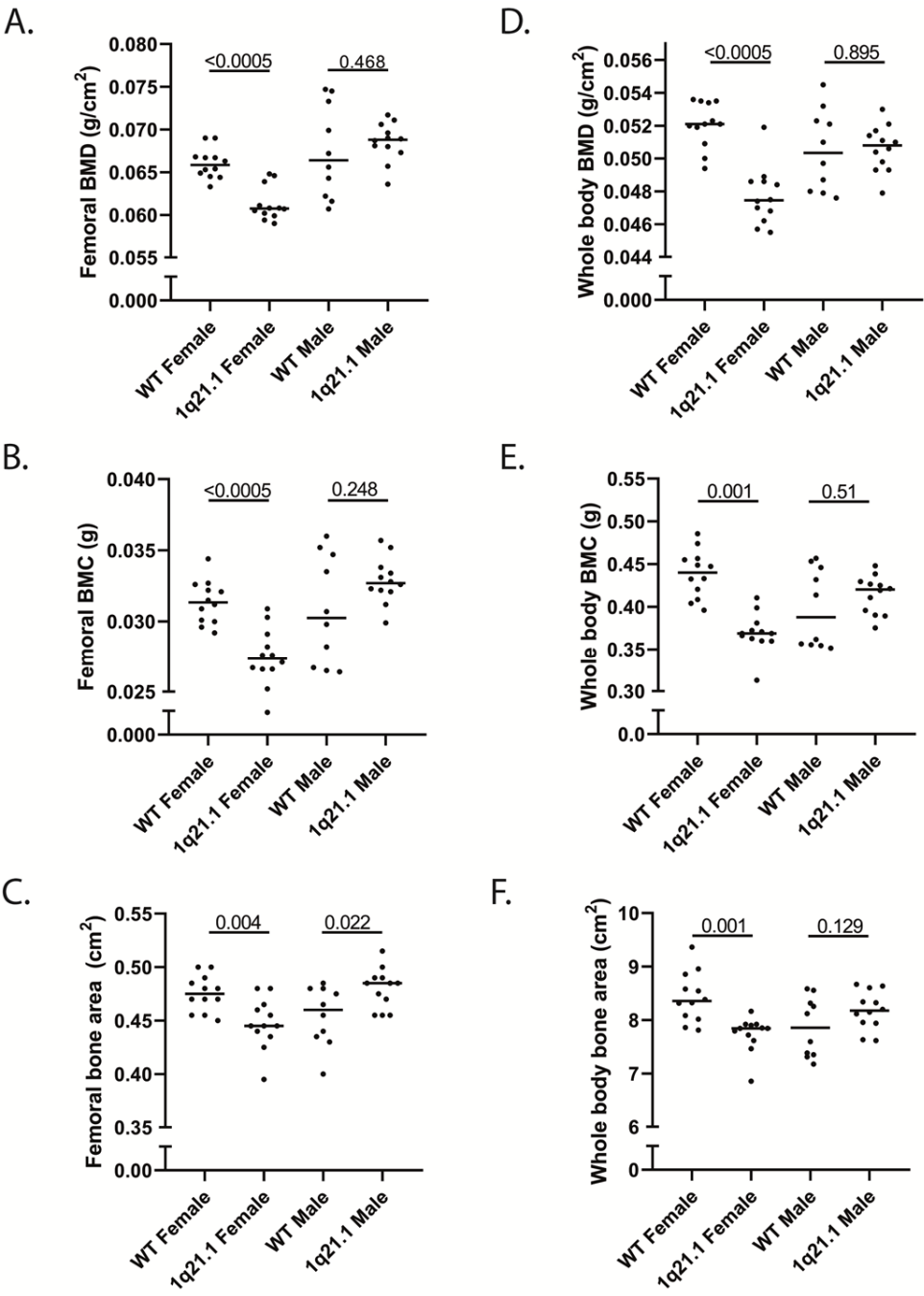


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Supplementary Figure 8: Body weight and bone size of 1q21.1 deletion mice in

comparison to wildtype (WT) littermates. A. Median body weight. B. Tibial (lower leg) length measured on X-rays. P-values show group-wise comparisons (non-parametric Mann-Whitney U test) between the genotype groups (n=10-12 in each group).



Supplementary Figure 9: Bone mass measurements in 1q21.1 mice and wildtype (WT) litter mates. Median bone mineral density (BMD) in femur (upper leg) (A) and whole body (D). Median bone mineral content (BMC) in femur (B) and whole body (E). Bone area in femur (C) and whole body (F). P-values show group-wise comparisons (non-parametric Mann-Whitney U test) between the genotype groups.

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTES

Supplementary Note 1: Extended information on datasets and test for differences in demographics.

Diagnosis-information in ENIGMA-CNV was based on information from the different datasets. In the UK biobank, diagnosis was extracted as Datafield 41202: Diagnoses - main ICD10 and 41204 Diagnoses - secondary ICD10. If either of these contained an F (mental) or G (neurological) disorder, these were coded as affected and the ICD10 disorder was noted.

For the core ENIGMA-CNV dataset, family information was based on pi-hat estimated for pairs of individuals, and only one relative (if more than two) from pairs with pi-hat >0.2 was kept. CNV carriers were selectedly kept over non-carriers. For ECHO_DEFINE and the 16p11.2 European Consortium, relatedness was based on information from the clinican. For the UK biobank, relatives were extracted from Datafield 22011: Genetic relatedness pairing and Datafield 22012: Genetic relatedness factor. One of each pair with a kinship coefficient above 0.053 (that is more related than 1st cousins) was removed.

Tests for differences between groups for demographic data applied a test included in the R package tableone v0.7.3 – chi square test with continuity correction for categorical values and ANOVA for continuous variables.

Supplementary Note 2: Details on CNV calling and QC. All PFB-files were based on Human Genome Build NCBI36/hg18 except for UK biobank, ECHO-DEFINE and parts of 16p11.2 European Consortium that used NCBI37/hg19. PFB-and GC-files were selected based on publicly available data from the PennCNV homepage or self-generated: in the case of cohorts primarily consisting of Asian and African

individuals, a PFB-file was generated through PennCNV compile_pfb.pl using all genotyping arrays from the cohort. The PFB-file used is noted in Supplementary Table 10.

The following quality control metrics were used: Adjacent CNVs separated by a gap less than 20% of the combined length of the two CNVs were merged until no more gaps of <20% existed, and CNVs based on less than 15 SNPs were excluded. Only samples with standard deviation (SD) of normalized intensity (LRR) <0.35, B allele frequency (BAF) drifting value <0.01 and wave factor value between -0.05 and 0.05 were included.

The 1q21.1 distal region was well-covered by all arrays (Figure S8). CNVs overlapping the region of interest (1q21.1 distal and 1q21.1 distal and proximal) were identified with the R package iPsychCNV SelectSamplesFromROI with parameters OverlapMin = 0.4 and OverlapMax = 5, visualized with iPsychCNV StackPlot and manually inspected. None of the 1q21.1 distal carriers carried additional genomic imbalances (Supplementary Table 1) except for three duplications that extended into the 1q21.1 proximal region (Supplementary Table 2), a known susceptibility factor for thrombocytopenia-absent radius (TAR) syndrome¹. In the statistical analysis, individuals with a minimum overlap of 0.4 to regions with known pathogenic CNVs (Table S10) were excluded regardless of copy number status as were individuals from scanner sites without 1q21.1 distal CNV carriers.

Carriers in the 16p11.2 European consortium cohort were identified based on report from the cytogeneticist who did the genetic test in the clinic and was thus based on either CGH array or FISH (Fluorescent In Situ Hybridization) - the identification method for each individual carrier is noted in Supplementary Table 2. Non-carriers in

the 16p11.2 European consortium cohort were either selected from the general population (excluding individuals with a neurodevelopmental or psychiatric diagnosis) or familial controls who tested negative for the 1q21.1 distal and proximal CNV or familial controls from a 16p11.2 proximal and distal CNV study - five of the latter had a neuropsychiatric diagnosis. Carriers in the ECHO_DEFINE were identified based on the report from the cytogenetist after genetic test in the clinic with Psych Chip.

Supplementary Note 3: Extended information on UK biobank CNV calls.

Anonymised genotyped data was downloaded as l2r & baf-files from UK biobank showcase for chromosomes 1-22, X, Y, M & XY. In addition, snp-files were downloaded. They were stored and processed on a secure Unix server.

For the initial steps, the l2r- and baf-files were split into separate files for each individual containing both l2r and baf-values in 20 batches, each containing 25,000 individuals per batch [the last batch contained 13,377]. Subsequently, SNP-names were added to the files. CNVs were called in subbatches of 1000 individuals per batch using PennCNV⁵⁷ and self-generated PFB- and GCC-model files (NCBI37/hg19) and affygw6.hmm. Subsequent filtering and visualization was done as for the main dataset above except that the LRR_SD cut-off was set at 0.50 given that we observed reliable CNV calls within these ranges. We did not filter based on number of CNVs or genotype call rate. These are quite relaxed filtering criteria but since all 1q21.1 CNVs were visualized and inspected and thus filtered for false positives, we did not apply more stringent parameters. 59 individuals were excluded from the entire UK biobank using these criteria.

Supplementary Note 4: Extended info on image acquisition and processing. Each site contributed volumes for the left and right hemispheres of the accumbens, caudate, putamen, pallidum, amygdala, hippocampus and thalamus in addition to right and left 34 regional cortical surface areas and 34 cortical average thicknesses, total surface area and total mean cortical thickness as well as estimated intracranial volume (ICV). The total volume, surface area or mean thickness of each structure was calculated by adding the left and right together. We excluded each individual measure if it deviated more than +/- 4SD from the mean for each individual scanner site.

Supplementary Note 5: Description of additional sensitivity and robustness analyses.

We re-analysed the dataset in the following way: (a) MATCHED analysis: Matching each CNV carrier with one non-carrier. The R package Matchit v2.4 was used to match each CNV carrier with one non-carrier based on sex, age, scanner site and ICV. (b) NON-AFFECTED only analysis: Keeping only non-affected individuals (i.e. individuals without a known diagnosis of a brain disorder), (c) NON-AFFECTED ADULTS analysis: Keeping only non-affected adults (age $\geq$ 18) (d) ADULTS analysis: Only including adults with age $\geq$ 18 (e) CHILDREN analysis: Only keeping children with age $<$ 18, or (f) ENIGMA-CNV ONLY: Keeping only ENIGMA-CNV derived individuals in analysis or (g) UK biobank ONLY: Keeping only UKB-derived participants or (h) POPULATION STRUCTURE analysis: Controlling for population structure by including 4 genetic principal components as covariates calculated based on standardized multidimensional scaling analyses of genome-wide genotype data conducted at each site (i) NO ICV model analysis: Excluding ICV as covariate or j)

(f) INCLUDING RELATIVES analysis: Including all relatives (first- or second-degree relatives) that was removed in the primary analysis.

Supplementary Note 6: Details on cognitive task data processing

The *Pairs Matching* task (field 399), tested episodic memory, with six pairs of cards being shown for three seconds to participants, before being turned over, after which the participants were asked to identify the matching pairs. We used the total number of errors made. The *Reaction Time* task (field 20023), tested simple processing speed through twelve rounds of a game where participants had to click a button as quickly as possible when shown two matching cards. We used the mean reaction time. *Fluid Intelligence* (field 20016), tested reasoning and problem solving through thirteen verbal and numerical reasoning questions, which had to be answered within two minutes. We used the total number of correct answers. The *Digit Span* task (field 4282) tested numeric working memory by presenting progressively longer numbers to participants and asking them to recall these once the number had disappeared. We used the maximum number of digits correctly recalled. The Symbol Digit Substitution task (field 20195) tested complex processing speed through the matching of numbers to a set of symbols. We used the number of correct substitutions. The Trail Making A and B tasks (fields 20156 and 20157) tested visual attention by asking participants to connect scattered circles according to numbers (trail A) and to alternating numbers and letters (trail B). We used the time taken to complete these tests for our analyses. All data was recoded so that higher scores indicate higher performance.

Supplementary Note 7: Details on human fetal transcriptional data

Human fetal tissue collection and preparation was done as described previously¹⁹ - human fetuses were obtained following medical pregnancy termination. Fetuses aged

7 gestational weeks (GW) (2 males), 9 GW (1 male, 1 undetermined), 12 GW (1 female, 1 undetermined), 15 GW (1 male), and 21 GW (1 male) were used for the RNA sequencing and *in situ* hybridization of cortical tissue. All cases were examined with standard feto-pathological procedures and none displayed clinical or neuropathological evidence of brain malformation. The brain was removed within 6 hours of expulsion and RNA extracted and cDNA prepared². The 350-700bp size cDNA fraction was sequenced from both ends using Hiseq 2500 Rapid mode v3 (Illumina). Transcriptome analysis was performed as previously described². Expression values are calculated as the unit Fragment per kilobase and million reads (FPKM) and those for human-specific duplicated genes (*NBPF10*, *NOTCH2NLA*, *HYDIN2*, *NBPF12*, *LOC728989*, *NBPF11*, *NBPF14*, and *NOTCH2NLB*) are corrected on the basis of the computer simulation performed in the previous study (cFPKM; corrected FPKM)². The study was approved by three relevant Ethics Committees (Erasmus Hospital, Université Libre de Bruxelles, and Belgian National Fund for Scientific Research FRS/FNRS) on research involving human subjects. Written informed consent was given by the parents in each case.

Supplementary Note 8: Df(h1q21)+/- mouse characterization

16-week-old male and female heterozygous 1q21.1 deletion knockout mice³ and wildtype mice were sacrificed for bone analysis (n=10-12 in each genetic group). Body weight was recorded. Femur and tibia were collected and stored in ethanol at 4 C and in saline at -20 C until further analysis. Animals were genotyped from Taconic (Ejby, Denmark) and genotyping was repeated on tail samples collected after sacrifice. Whole body DXA scans were obtained using a Piximus densitometer (GE Lunar, Madison, WI, USA). Whole-body and femoral bone mineral density (BMD),

bone mineral content and bone area were analysed. X-ray scans of the skull, upper limbs and lower limbs were obtained using a Faxitron MX-20 small animal x-ray system (Faxitron, Tucson, AZ, USA). Skull diameter, femur length and width, and humerus and tibia length were measured using the ruler function in a dicom viewer program. Measurements were done by staff blinded to genotype groups. 1q21 and wildtype mice were compared using non-parametric Mann-Whitney U test. To take variation in bone turnover between sexes into account, males and female mice (10-12 mice in analytical group) were analyzed separately. Differences were considered significant at $P < 0.05$. All animals were included in the analyses.

Supplementary Note 9: Results on the the 1q21.1 deletion mouse

In a comparison between 1q21.1 deletion mice (Df(h1q21) +/- mouse³) and their wild-type littermates (n=10-12 mice per group), we found a significant decrease in skull diameter in the deletion mice (2% decrease, $P=0.007$ (females) and $P=0.004$ (males)) (Figure 4). Also, the deletion mice displayed lower weight and shorter tibial (lower leg) length ($P=0.01$ (females), $P = 0.023$ (males)) (Supplementary Figure 4). Finally, bone mineral density (BMD), bone mineral content (BMC) and bone area were lower in female 1q21.1 deletion mice compared to wild-type littermates ($P < 0.0005$ (BMD and BMC) and $P=0.004$ (area)) whereas male deletion mice - unlike the deletion females - displayed an increased femoral bone (upper leg) area ($P=0.022$; Supplementary Figure 5).

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SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES LEGENDS:

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Supplementary Table 1: Specification of all cohorts in ENIGMA CNV. Study design, participant demographics, and references to articles containing descriptions of individual inclusion and exclusion parameters for all datasets in ENIGMA-CNV collected up until Sep 30 2019. Data sets contributing data to the 1q21.1 distal analysis are marked with a star.

Supplementary Table 2: CNVs of Interest. Individuals with a minimum overlap of 0.4 to these CNVs were excluded from the analysis. Coordinates are Human Genome Build NCBI36/hg18 and GRCh37/hg19.

Supplementary Table 3: Chips and corresponding PFB-files used for PennCNV CNV calling.

Supplementary Table 4: Technical details concerning scanners and acquisition parameters utilized at the participating ENIGMA-CNV scanner sites

Supplementary Table 5: Sensitivity analyses – dosage effect of 1q21.1 distal copy number on subcortical volumes in the main sample. The effect size (β of the linear regression) is presented with 95 % confidence intervals. A linear regression based on the copy number state of the individuals (deletion=1, normal=2, duplication=3) was performed on normalized brain measures corrected for *plusICV*: age, age squared,

sex, scanner site and ICV (except for ICV) or *noICV*: age, age squared, sex, scanner site. Analysis was performed on : ALL – all individuals, ADULTS – adults (age ≥ 18), NON-AFFECTED - individuals without a known diagnosis of a brain disorder, NON-AFFECTED ADULTS – adult individuals without a known diagnosis of a brain disorders, MATCHED CONTROLS - matching each carrier with one non-carrier based on age, sex and scanner site or matching each carrier with one non-carrier based on age, sex, scanner site and ICV, POPULATION STRUCTURE – checking effect of population structure on individuals. Only individuals with accessible ancestry information were included in the analysis. ENIGMA-CNV ONLY – ENIGMA-CNV dataset exclusively. UKB ONLY – UK biobank dataset only, INCLUDING RELATIVES– including relatives with more than third degree relationships. Results were considered statistically significant if they were below a Bonferroni-corrected P-value of 0.0014. * = $P < 0.0014$, ** = $P < 0.00014$, ***= $P < 0.000014$.

Supplementary Table 6: Sensitivity analyses - T-tests on subcortical volumes

between different 1q21.1 distal copy number groups in the main sample. The effect size (Cohen's D) including 95 % confidence interval is presented. T-tests were performed on normalized values of brain measures *plusICV*: age, age squared, sex, scanner site and ICV (except for ICV) or *noICV*: age, age squared, sex, scanner site. Analysis was performed on: ALL – all individuals, ADULTS – adults (age ≥ 18), CHILDREN – children (age < 18 years), CHILDREN – children (age < 18 years), NON-AFFECTED - individuals without a known diagnosis of a brain disorder, NON-AFFECTED ADULTS – adult individuals without a known diagnosis of a brain disorders, MATCHED CONTROLS - matching each carrier with one non-carrier based on age, gender and scannersite or matching each carrier with one non-carrier

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Supplementary Table 7: Sensitivity analyses - 1q21.1 distal dosage effect on regional cortical surface area and mean cortical thickness. The effect size (β of the linear regression) is presented with 95 % confidence interval. A linear regression based on the copy number state of the individuals (deletion=1, normal=2, duplication=3) was performed on normalized brain measures corrected for *plusICV*: age, age squared, sex, scanner site and ICV (except for ICV) or *noICV*: age, age squared, sex, scanner site. Analysis was performed on all individuals with measures available. Analysis was performed on: ALL – all individuals, ADULTS – adults (age ≥ 18), NON-AFFECTED - individuals without a known diagnosis of a brain disorder, NON-AFFECTED ADULTS – adult individuals without a known diagnosis of a brain disorders, MATCHED CONTROLS - matching each carrier with one non-carrier based on age, gender and scanner site or matching each carrier with one non-carrier based on age, sex, scanner site and ICV, POPULATION STRUCTURE – checking effect of population structure on individuals. Only individuals with accessible ancestry information were included in the analysis NO RELATIVES– excluding relatives with more than third degree relationships. ENIGMA-CNV ONLY –

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Supplementary Table 8: Sensitivity analyses: T-tests on regional cortical surface

area and mean cortical thickness. The effect size (Cohen's D) including 95 % confidence interval is presented. T-tests were performed on normalized values of brain measures *plusICV*: age, age squared, sex, scanner site and ICV (except for ICV) or *noICV*: age, age squared, sex, scanner site. Analysis was performed on all individuals with measures available. Analysis was performed on: ALL – all individuals, ADULTS – adults (age ≥ 18), CHILDREN – children (age < 18 years), CHILDREN – children (age < 18 years), NON-AFFECTED - individuals without a known diagnosis of a brain disorder, NON-AFFECTED ADULTS – adult individuals without a known diagnosis of a brain disorders, MATCHED CONTROLS - matching each carrier with one non-carrier based on age, gender and scannersite or matching each carrier with one non-carrier based on age, sex, scannersite and ICV, POPULATION STRUCTURE – checking effect of population structure on individuals. Only individuals with accessible ancestry information were included in the analysis. ENIGMA-CNV ONLY – ENIGMA-CNV dataset exclusively. UKB ONLY – UK biobank dataset only, INCLUDING RELATIVES– including relatives with more than third degree relationships. Results were considered statistically significant if they were below a Bonferroni-corrected P-value of 0.0014. * = $P < 0.0014$, ** = $P < 0.00014$, ***= $P < 0.000014$.

Supplementary Table 9: Demographic details of ENIGMA-CNV and UK biobank separately.

Supplementary Table 10: Extended information on 1q21.1 distal carriers.

Established diagnosis (1 = yes, 0 = no), DiseaseType = known diagnosis or type of study. Chip = genotyping chip used for CNV calling. No of rels = number of known relatives in dataset. Relative = relative in dataset, relative removed = whether individual was removed from the analysis without relatives.

Supplementary Table 11: Meta-analysis of dosage effect of 1q21.1 distal copy number on subcortical volumes. The effect size (β of the linear regression) is presented. A linear regression based on the copy number state of the individuals (deletion (del)=1, non-carrier (nc)=2, duplication (dup)=3) was performed on normalized brain measures correcting for age², age, sex and scannersite (and ICV)) in the ENIGMA-CNV and UK biobank (main sample) and the independent Icelandic cohorts. A final effect size estimate of the combined sample was obtained using a fixed effects meta-analysis framework (metafor). Results were considered statistically significant if they were below a Bonferroni-corrected P-value of 0.0014. * = $P < 0.0014$, ** = $P < 0.00014$, ***= $P < 0.000014$, CI = confidence. Q = statistics for the test for heterogeneity, p(Q) = p-value for the test for heterogeneity, I²=heterogeneity levels.

Supplementary Table 12: Meta-analysis of t-tests on subcortical volumes between different 1q21.1 distal copy number groups. The effect size (Cohen's D)

including 95 % confidence interval is presented. T-tests were performed on normalized values of brain measures correcting for age², age, sex and scanner site (and ICV) in the ENIGMA-CNV and UK biobank (main sample) and the independent Icelandic cohorts. A final effect size estimate of the combined sample was obtained using a fixed effects meta-analysis framework (metafor). Results were considered statistically significant if they were below a Bonferroni-corrected P-value of 0.0014. * = $P < 0.0014$, ** = $P < 0.00014$, *** = $P < 0.000014$, CI = confidence. Q = statistics for the test for heterogeneity, p(Q) = p-value for the test for heterogeneity, I² = heterogeneity levels.

Supplementary Table 13: Available sample sizes per task, per carrier group, for the analyses linking the neuroimaging measures to the cognitive measures. In the analyses, we included all 1q21.1 CNV carriers and non-carriers in the UK Biobank with data on the seven cognitive tasks and brain structures.