

## Supplementary Figures and Tables

### Validated assays for the quantification of C9orf72 human pathology

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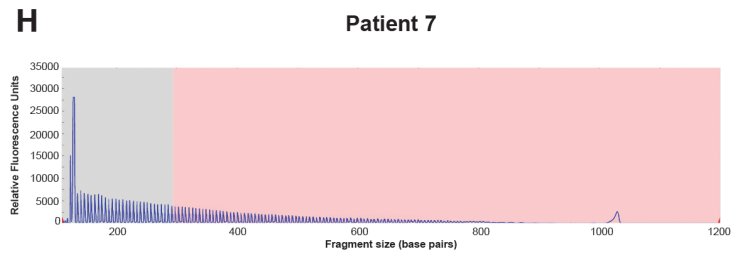
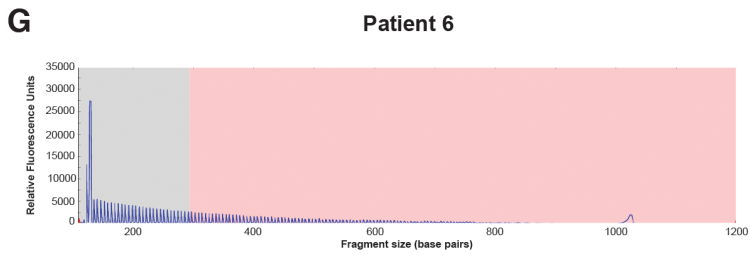
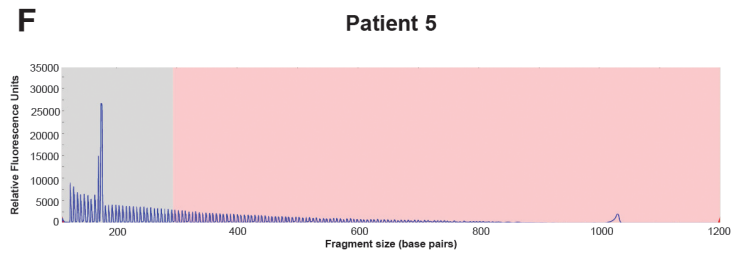
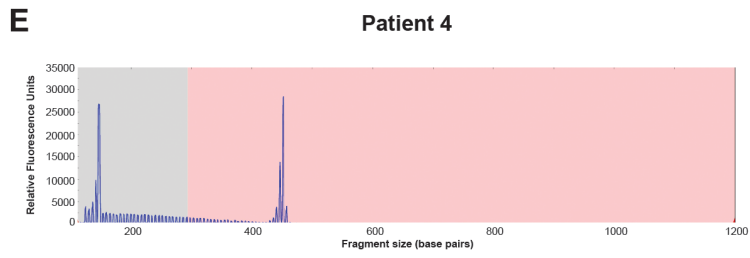
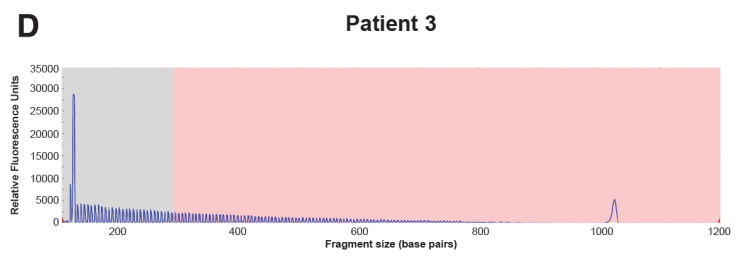
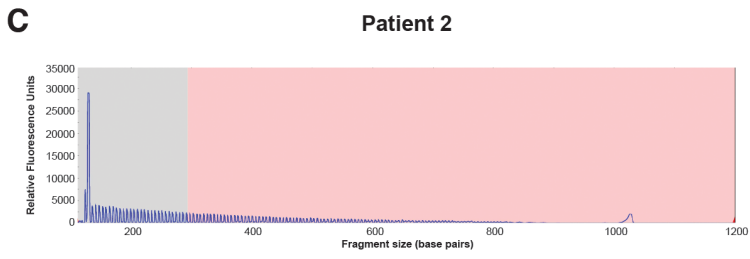
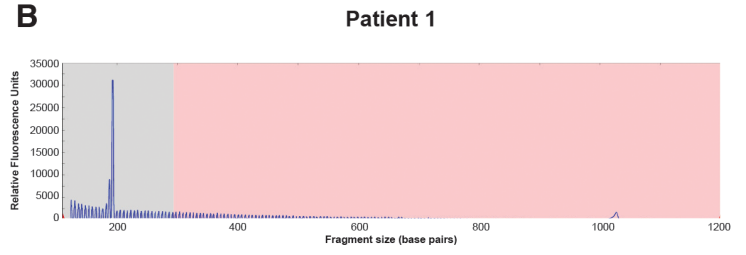
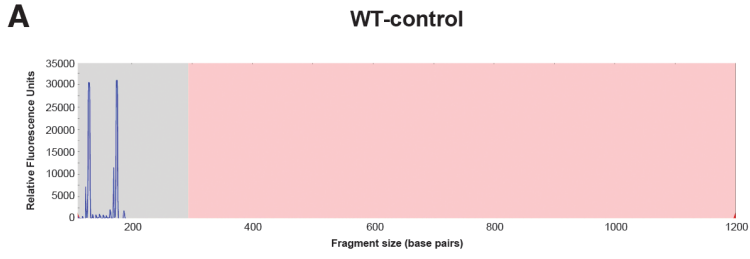
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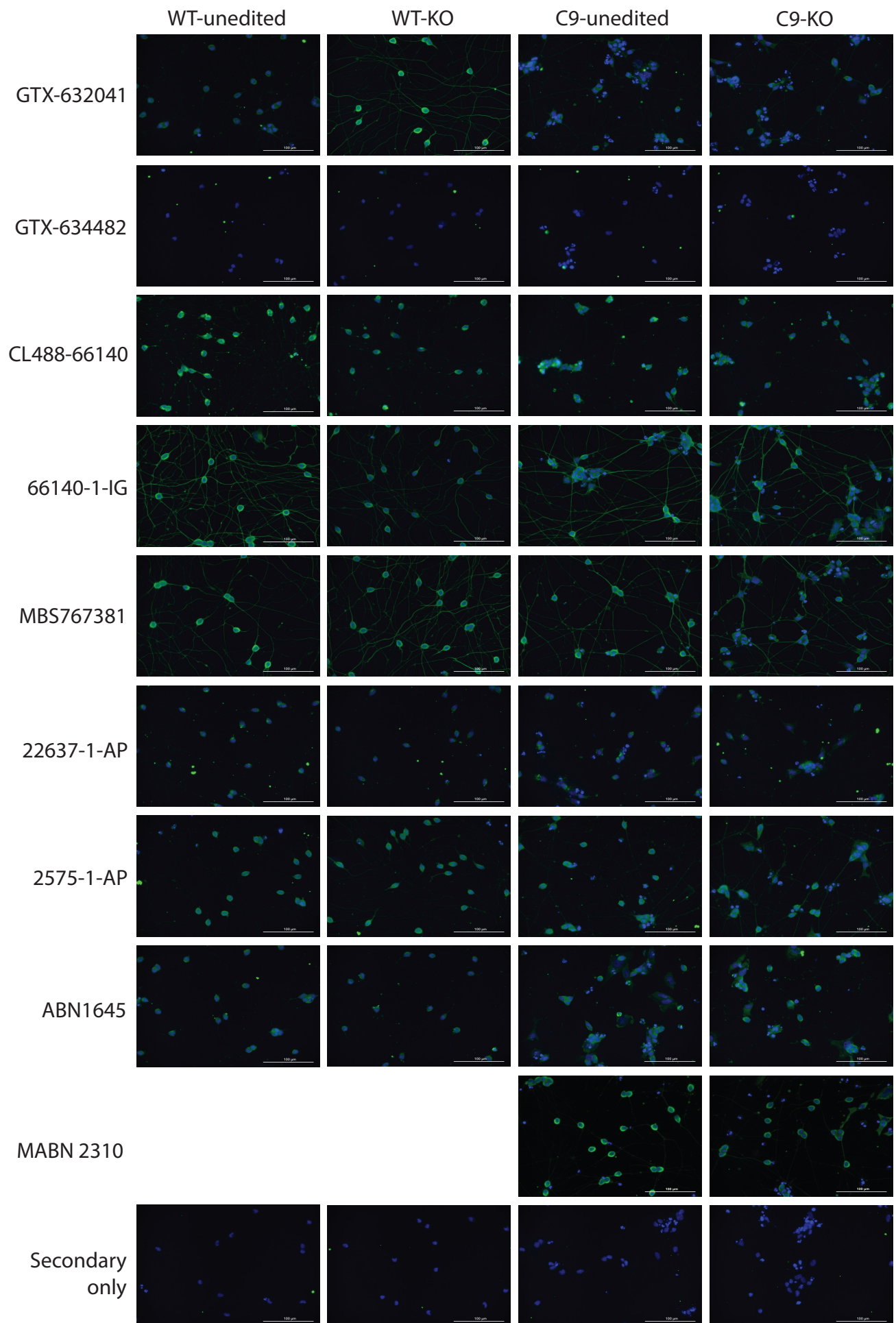
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**Supplemental Figure 1. Electropherograms for each patient line produced by GS/RP-PCR and capillary electrophoresis. (A-H)** Gene specific, repeat primed PCR detects *C9orf72* repeats up to 145. Each patient has one non-expanded allele (left blue peak in the grey region). Expanded repeats less than 145 (*e.g.*, Patient 4, right blue peak) are accurately sized, but there is no quantification of repeats greater than 145 (lack of equivalent second blue peak for every other patient). Instead, the expanded allele is detected but not sized by the presence of the small peak around position 1000 (~140 repeats, pink region).



**Supplemental Figure 2. Nine commercial C9orf72 antibodies were not specific for C9orf72 in iPSC-derived motor neurons by immunocytochemistry.** Commercially available C9orf72 antibodies were not specific for C9orf72, as shown by comparing staining patterns in knock-out lines (WT-KO and C9-KO) to unedited cells (WT-unedited and C9-unedited). Blue = DAPI. Green = staining with antibodies listed in Table 2. Scale bar = 100  $\mu$ m.



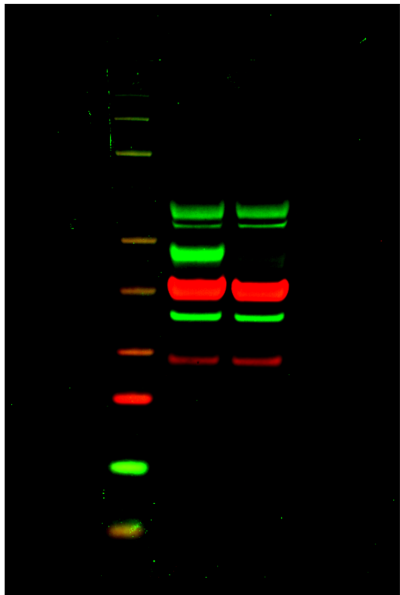
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DPR	Capture	Detect	Capture Concentration (µg/mL)	Detect Concentration (µg/mL)	Lysate Concentration (µg)	Plate	Blocker	Solution	C9/KO Ratio		
Poly - GA	MABN889	MABN889	1	1	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	17.4		
				2	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	20.4		
			4	1	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	16.3		
				2	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	14.44		
Poly - GP	24494-1-AP	24494-1-AP	1	1	9.37	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.3		
					18.75	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.6		
					37.5	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	2		
					9.37	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.6		
				2	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	1.27		
						Milk	PBS	1.26			
					Standard	Milk	PBS	1.33			
					18.75	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.7		
			25	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.99				
			37.5	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.9				
			20 (Denatured)	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	1.34				
			TBS	0.85							
			4	1	9.37	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.4		
					18.75	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.6		
					37.5	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.5		
					9.37	Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.2		
	2	18.75		Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.3				
		37.5		Standard	Blocker A	PBS	1.5				
		A-I 0756		A-I 0756	2	2	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	TBS	2.4
		A-I 0757		A-I 0757	2	4	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	TBS	2.63
A-I 0757	A-I 0756	2	2	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	TBS	2.01			
	A-I 0757	2	4	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	TBS	2.3			
Poly - GR	23978-1-AP	23978-1-AP	1	1	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.94		
				2	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.83		
			4	1	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.91		
				2	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	1.01		
	MABN778	2.33	2	20	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.92			
	MABN778	23978-1-AP	MABN778	1	1	20 (Denatured)	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.77	
					2.33	2	20	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.99
				4	1	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.84	
					2	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.9	
					20 (Denatured)	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.77		
1					18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.95		
2	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	1						
Poly - PA	ABN1356	ABN1356	1	1	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.86		
				2	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.88		
			4	1	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.9		
				45	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.9			
	MABN1790	MABN1790	MABN1790	1	1	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.86	
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				4	1	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	1.11	
					2	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.99	
Poly - PR	23979-1-AP	23979-1-AP	1	1	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	1.03		
				2	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.93		
				45	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.84			
			4	1	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.91		
				2	18.5	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.93		
				45	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	1.03			
	ABN1354	ABN1354	ABN1354	2.33	2	20	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	1.07	
					2.33	2	20	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.97
				1	1	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.88	
					2	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.96	
					45	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	0.95		
					1	18	Small Spot Streptavidin	Blocker A	PBS	1.03	
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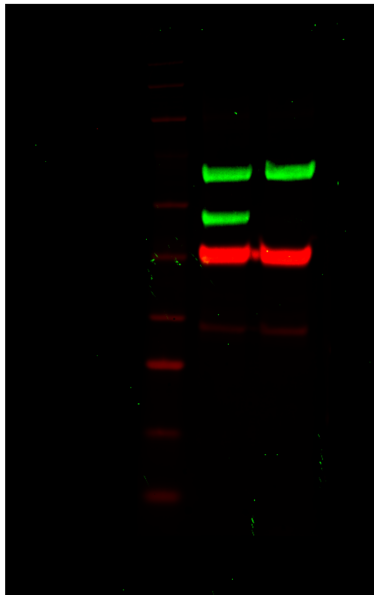
**Supplemental Figure 3. Two of 10 antibodies tested were specific for dipeptide repeat proteins in *C9orf72* mutant iPSC-derived motor neurons compared to *C9orf72* KO control.**

**(A)** Schematic of sense and antisense RNAs carrying the repeat expansion and their translation through non-canonical repeat-associated non-AUG (RAN) translation. RAN translation is expected to produce 5 different dipeptide repeat proteins (DPRs): poly-GA and poly-GR from the sense strand, poly-PA and poly-PR from the antisense strand and poly-GP from both the sense and antisense strands. **(B)** We tested 10 DPR antibodies under various conditions using MSD immunoassay. Concentrations of capture and detection antibodies and lysate concentrations from 2-week-old iPSC-motor neurons are noted. We compared a C9-ALS/FTD patient line harboring ~200 repeats to an isogenic *C9orf72* KO line. Most antibodies generated signals similar between KO and C9-ALS/FTD patient lines (= signal ratio near 1).

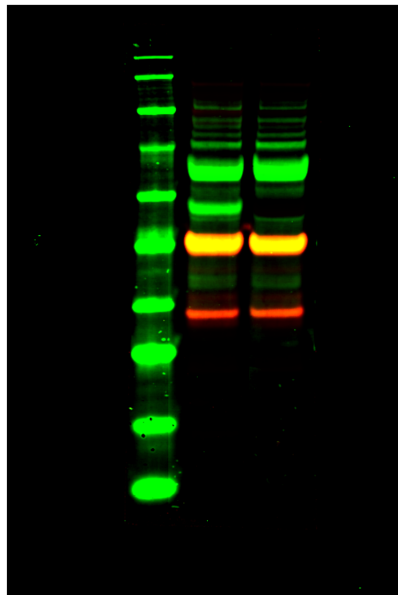
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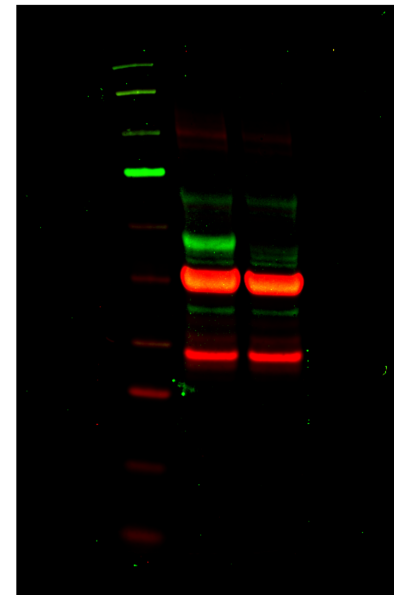
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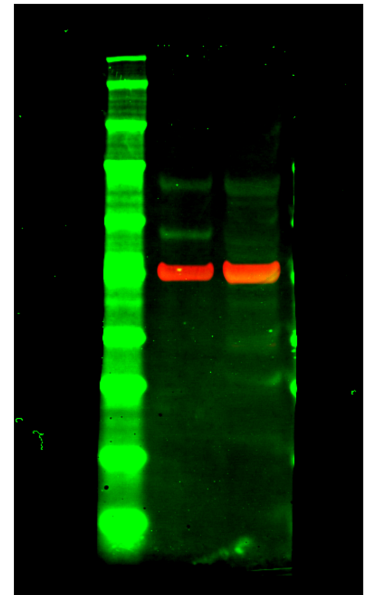
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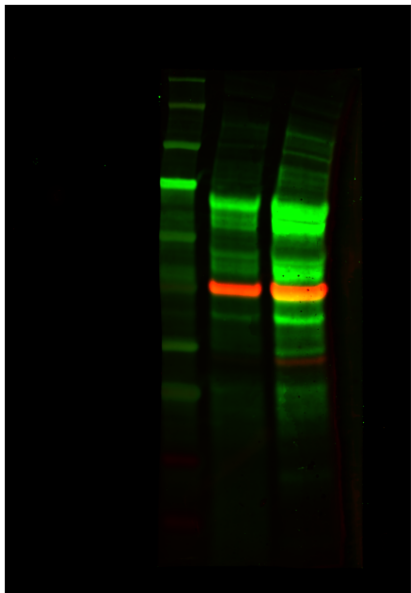
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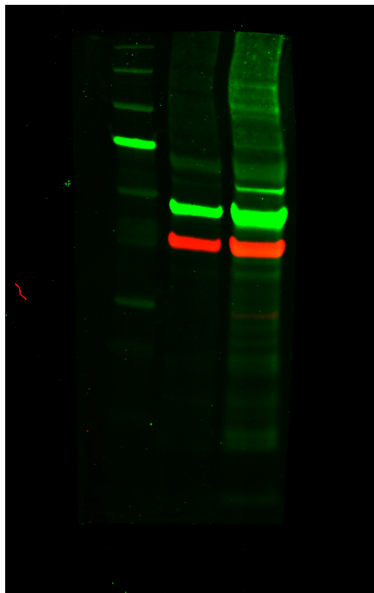
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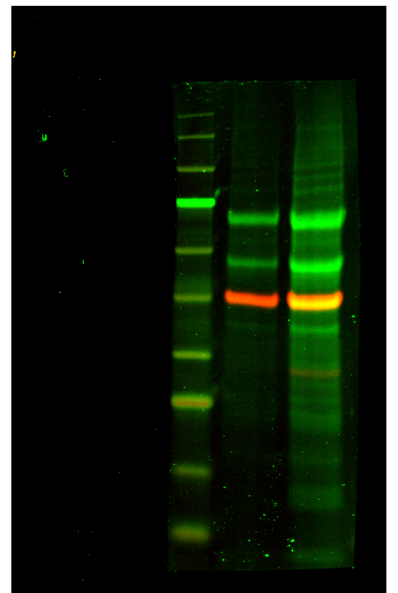
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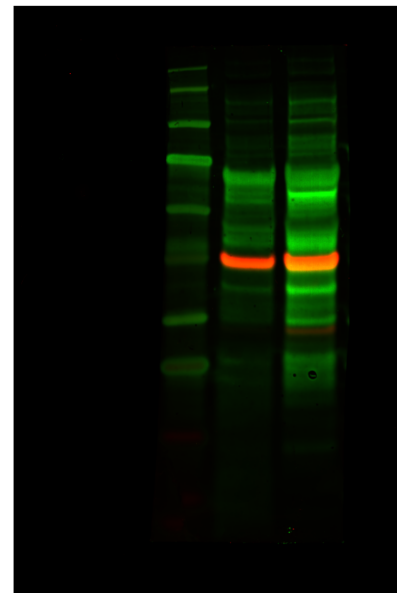
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**Supplemental Figure 4. Uncropped Western blot images from Figure 5 (main text).**

ddPCR Design	Probe target	Primer sequence or MIQE	Probe sequence	Fluorophore
1A-long transcript (variant 3)	Exon 1A-exon 2 junction (NM_001256054.2)	F primer: tgcccgggtgcttcttt R primer: tctggcaacagctggagatg	GTTTAGGAGATATCTCCGGAGCATT	FAM
1B transcript (variant 2)	Exon 1B-exon 2 junction (NM_018325.4)	F primer: CGGTGGCGAGTGGATATCTC R primer: TGGCAAAGAGTCGACATCA	TAATGTGACAGTTGGAATGC	FAM
Exon 2-3 (total sense mRNA)	Exon 2-3 junction (total mRNA)	F primer: acctcccactcatagagtgtgtgt R primer: accctgatcttcattctctgtgc	AGAATATGGATGCATAAGGAAAGAC	HEX
UBE2D2 HEX	Housekeeping gene (NM_003339, NM_181838)	F primer: ggtctccagcactaactattcaaaa R primer: caggcactaaaggatcatctggat	ttgtccatctgttctctgtgtgatccc	HEX
UBE2D2 FAM	Housekeeping gene (NM_003339, NM_181838)	F primer: ggtctccagcactaactattcaaaa R primer: caggcactaaaggatcatctggat	ttgtccatctgttctctgtgtgatccc	FAM

**Supplemental Table 1.** ddPCR primers and probes used to generate the data reported in Figure 4 (main text).



Western blot antibodies					
Primary antibody (Cat #)	Manufacturer/Supplier	Target	Primary antibody dilution	Secondary antibody	Secondary antibody dilution
GTX632041	GeneTex	C9orf72	1:100	Licor IRDye 800CW Donkey anti-mouse	1:1000
GTX634482	GeneTex		1:100		
MBS767381	MyBioSource		1:1000		
66140-1-IG	Proteintech		1:500	Licor IRDye 680RD Donkey anti-rabbit	
B01-5F2	Bio-Rad		1:1000		
25757-1-AP	Proteintech		1:300	Licor IRDye 800CW Donkey anti-rat	
64196	Cell Signaling		1:1000		
MABN2310	Millipore		1:1000		
MABN2296	Millipore		1:250	Licor IRDye 800CW Donkey anti-mouse	
MAB8929	R&D Systems	Beta-actin	1:1000		
NB600-532	Novus Biologicals	Beta-actin	1:1000	Licor IRDye 680RD Donkey anti-rabbit	

Immunocytochemistry antibodies					
Primary antibody (Cat #)	Manufacturer/Supplier	Target	Primary antibody dilution	Secondary antibody	Secondary antibody dilution
GTX632041	GeneTex	C9orf72	1:100	Goat anti-mouse IgG (H+L) Alexa Fluor 488	1:500
GTX634482	GeneTex		1:100		
66140-1-IG	Proteintech		1:500		
MBS767381	MyBioSource		1:50	Goat anti-rabbit IgG (H+L) Alexa Fluor 488	
22637-1-AP	Proteintech		1:500		
25757-1-AP	Proteintech		1:300		
ABN1645	Millipore		1:500	Goat anti-rat IgG (H+L) Alexa Fluor 488	
MABN2310	Millipore		1:500		
CL488-66140	Proteintech		1:50	NA	

MSD immunoassay antibodies				
Primary antibody (Cat #)	Manufacturer/Supplier	Target	Capture antibody dilution	Detection antibody dilution
MABN889	Millipore	Poly-GA	1 µg/mL	2 µg/mL
TALS828.179 (lot A-I 0756)	TargetALS	Poly-GP	2 µg/mL	4 µg/mL
TALS828.179 (lot A-I 0757)	TargetALS	Poly-GP		
24494-1-AP	Proteintech	Poly-GP		
23978-1-AP	Proteintech	Poly-GR		
MABN778	Millipore	Poly-GR		
ABN1356	Millipore	Poly-PA		
MABN1790	Millipore	Poly-PA		
23979-1-AP	Proteintech	Poly-PR		
ABN1354	Millipore	Poly-PR		

**Supplemental Table 2.** Commercially available antibodies tested in experiments reported in Figures 5-6 (main text) and S2.

Human tissue						
Genotype	Brain region	Sex	Age (years)	Diagnosis	PMI (hours)	Provided by
<i>C9orf72</i> repeat expansion	Cerebellum	Male	70	ALS	6	John Ravits, University of California, San Diego
No <i>C9orf72</i> mutation	Cerebellum	Male	75	None	8	Brent Harris, Georgetown University

Mouse tissue						
Genotype	Brain region	Sex	Age (weeks)	Jax Labs ID	Background	Collected by
<i>C9orf72</i> 500-repeat BAC transgenic	Striatum	Female	22	JAX 029099	FVB/NJ	Victor van Laar, The Ohio State University
Wild-type	Striatum	Female	22	JAX 029099	FVB/NJ	Victor van Laar, The Ohio State University

**Supplemental Table 3.** Human brain donor and mouse model information for tissues used in assays reported in Figure 6 (main text).

Sample	Poly-GA (MABN889)			Poly-GP (A-I 0756)			Poly-GP (A-I 0757)			Poly-GP (24494-1-AP)			Poly-GR (23978-1-AP)		
	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl
C9 ALS/FTD cerebellum	1325 1262	1293.5	21.4	3634 3436	3535	7.3	7483 7770	7626.5	7.6	16858 16411	16634.5	1.6	2441 2386	2413.5	0.5
Control human cerebellum	64 57	60.5		484 483	483.5		1026 978	1002		11784 9441	10612.5		5452 5250	5351	
C9 BAC mouse striatum	344 391	367.5	8.1	308 328	318	1.9	757 721	739	1.8	12478 10610	11544	1.0	3592 1505	2548.5	0.9
Wild-type mouse striatum	46 45	45.5		165 164	164.5		413 425	419		11033 11836	11434.5		2996 2928	2962	
C9 ALS/FTD iPSC-MNs	186 187	186.5	3.1	206 201	203.5	1.6	505 499	502	1.8	14785 12860	13822.5	1.1	3930 4087	4008.5	0.8
C9orf72 KO iPSC-MNs	62 60	61		121 127	124		286 287	286.5		12835 13418	13126.5		4967 4677	4822	

Sample	Poly-GR (MABN778)			Poly-PA (ABN1356)			Poly-PA (MABN1790)			Poly-PR (23979-1-AP)			Poly-PR (ABN1354)		
	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl	Signal	Average of duplicates	Ratio over ctrl
C9 ALS/FTD cerebellum	68 75	71.5	1.0	196 185	190.5	1.1	1603 1712	1657.5	0.5	11326 11899	11612.5	1.0	574 551	562.5	1.1
Control human cerebellum	70 68	69		169 168	168.5		3010 3019	3014.5		11637 10781	11209		506 532	519	
C9 BAC mouse striatum	71 75	73	1.1	220 217	218.5	1.2	6087 6046	6066.5	0.8	12027 11913	11970	1.0	1525 1516	1520.5	2.4
Wild-type mouse striatum	64 69	66.5		180 187	183.5		6981 7765	7373		12112 12248	12180		641 626	633.5	
C9 ALS/FTD iPSC-MNs	61 71	66	0.9	217 208	212.5	1.1	953 958	955.5	0.4	12375 11941	12158	0.9	691 827	759	1.0
C9orf72 KO iPSC-MNs	73 73	73		186 193	189.5		2186 2225	2205.5		13227 12717	12972		822 693	757.5	

**Supplemental Table 4.** Electrochemiluminescence signals from 10 commercial dipeptide repeat protein antibodies tested in three sample types on MSD immunoassay.

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			5' gRNA	3' gRNA	F primer	R primer	Expected excision band amplicon length (bp)	F primer	R primer	Expected 5' cut site amplicon length (bp)	F primer	R primer	Expected 3' cut site amplicon length (bp)
Repeat expansion excision	repeat expansion excision	7 NT if no RE, 607 NT if 200 repeats	AACTCAGGAGTC GC GCGCTA	ggcccgcccccagc acgcc	CCGCTAGGAAAGA GAGGTGCG	GAGGAGAGCCCC CGCTTCTAC	505 (unedited WT allele), unedited RE will not amplify, 480 (edited)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1Ax	exon 1A excision	227bp	TGCGATGACGTT TTCTCAGC	TACTGTGAGAG CAAGTAGTG	GATCCAGCAG CCTCCCCTAT	GCTACAGGCT GCGGTTGTTT	440 (unedited), 214 (edited)	TCCAGCA GCCTCCC CTATT	TTTACGTG GGCGGAA CTTGT	216	AGAGAGGTG CGTCAAACA GC	CTCCTGAG TTCCAGAG CTTGC	282
1Bx	exon 1B excision	124bo	CGTGGTCGGGGC GGGCCCGG	GCTGTTGGGT TCGGCTGC	TACTCGCTGA GGGTGAACAA G	CAGTCGCTAG AGGCGAAAGC	390 (unedited), 266 (edited)	N/A	N/A	N/A	GTGGCTGTTT GGGGTTCGG	CCAGTCGC TAGAGCGC AAAG	137
KO (WT line)	Excision from 5' to exon 1A through exon 2	7,205bp	TGTGCGAACCTT AATAGGGG	AATGGGATCG CAGCACATA	GCAGACCAAA AGACGCAAGG	ACCAGAAAAT AAGCTTTCAA CAGAT	Unedited will not amplify (7748), 578 (edited)	GCAGACC AAAAGAC GCAAGG	CAGCGAG TACTGTGA GAGCA	751	GGGTTAGGG GCCAAATCT CC	ACCAGAA AATAAGCT TTCAACAG AT	932
KO (patient line)	Excision from 5' to exon 1A to exon 3-4 intron (using all 4 allele specific gRNAs in 1 reaction)	21kb	CTCTGTGAGAAG TTTTTATC and CTCTGTGAGAAG TTCITATC	GACTTAGAAGA AATATTGTG and GACTTAAAAGA AATATTGTG	AGGAACCAAG CAGCCATGAA	GGGAAGCCAC ACCCTTGTA	Unedited will not amplify (21436), 392 (edited)	CTTTGGCA CAGATAG GCCAC	GGCAGGG TGACTGCT TTAAC	199	TGCCCAGAA TAAATTTTGG ATAACT	GGGAAGC CACACCCT TGTA	337

**Supplemental Table 5. Guide RNAs and primers used to generate and verify, respectively, each edited cell line.** We used spCas9 with a protospacer adjacent motif (PAM) of NGG (not included in the gRNA sequence). Excision size is provided for each type of excision in the WT line. Expected amplicon size for each set of PCR primers is also provided.