## **Supplemental Information**

EndoGenius: Optimized neuropeptide identification from mass spectrometry datasets

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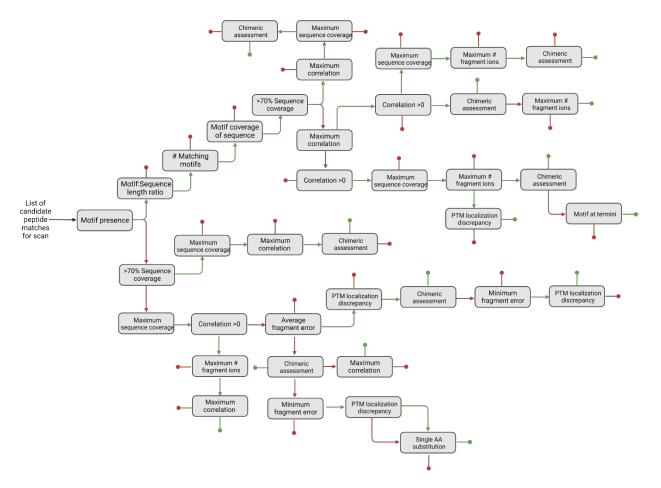
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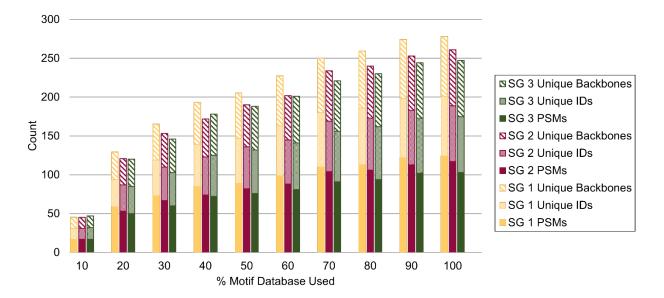
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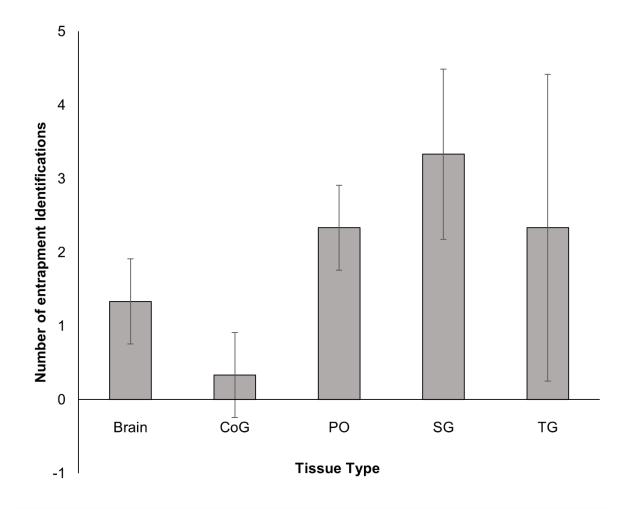
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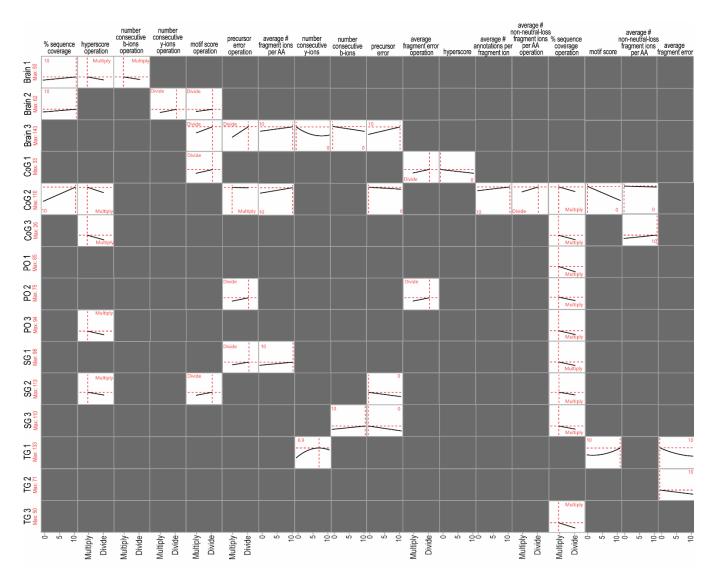
**Figure S1:** A specialized peptide-spectrum match (PSM) filtering decision-tree was developed to reward neuropeptide-typic attributes of a given PSM. At each step in the decision tree, if only one peptide match was remaining for a given spectrum, that peptide was assigned as the PSM. Otherwise, the next round of criteria was assessed. In this tree, green color denotes a positive response, wherein a candidate PSM satisfied the criterion, whereas a red color denotes a negative response, where the criterion was not satisfied. Nodes represent where no additional criteria were presented, and a peptide was selected at random from the remaining candidate PSMs, in line with more traditional PSM assignment approaches.



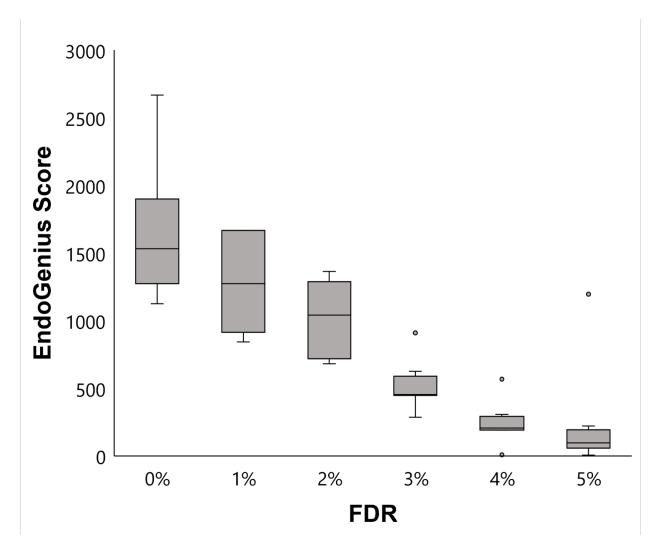
**Figure S2:** Evaluation of number of PSMs, unique IDs, and unique backbones across three technical replicates when a fraction of the motif database, selected at random, was included in the analysis. Unique IDs refers to a neuropeptide including any post-translational modifications (PTMs), while unique backbones refer to the amino acid sequence of the neuropeptide only.



**Figure S3:** Average number of unique backbones yielded by EndoGenius searches of five tissue types across three technical replicates when searching against an entrapment database. Error bars representing mean ± standard deviation.



**Figure S4:** Results of definitive screening design when optimized for desirability, marked by the maximum number of unique identifications at 1% FDR, with responses from 15 samples. Results shown here are reported as significant factors.



**Figure S5:** Correlation of false-discovery rate to the EndoGenius score, with results summarized from 15 spectral datasets.