Supplemental Information

Methods and Materials

We conducted a confirmatory region of interest (ROI) analysis for prefrontal and limbic structures, using bilateral DLPFC (BA9/46), amygdala, and parahippocampal cortex as defined by the WFU PickAtlas software (PickAtlas2.4; Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; http://fmri.wfubmc.edu/) (1). Correlations between genotype and mean ROI were calculated for each diagnostic group and then compared between groups using Fisher's Z transformation.

Results

In repeat analyses excluding the two non-Caucasian patients, results were unchanged, except the left precuneus finding (within schizophrenia group analysis) no longer met the cluster-level correction. In repeat analyses using sex as a nuisance covariate, results were unchanged, except both inferior frontal gyrus findings (within control group and between diagnostic group analyses) no longer met the cluster-level correction.

Region of interest analyses confirmed the reported findings, showing in patients statistically significant relationships between genotype and resting rCBF in the DLPFC (R²=0.19, df=23) and amygdala (R²=0.20, df=23) and a trend-level relationship in the parahippocampus (R²=0.13, df=23). Healthy participants showed no significant relationship between genotype and rCBF in these same regions (R²<0.002, df=45 for all

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ROIs). Between-diagnostic-group differences in these correlations were significant (p<0.05) in the DLPFC and amygdala and trend-level (p=0.07) in the parahippocampus.

1. Maldjian JA, Laurienti PJ, Kraft RA, Burdette JH (2003): An automated method for neuroanatomic and cytoarchitectonic atlas-based interrogation of fMRI data sets. *Neuroimage* 19:1233-9.

Table S1. COMT Genotype-Resting rCBF Relationships in Patients and Healthy Volunteers

Parametric Analyses

| Patients | | | Healthy Volunteers | | |
|----------------|--|---|-----------------------|--|---|
| Region | Peak Voxel Coordinates (x, y, z) | Association with COMT Met Alleles | Region | Peak Voxel Coordinates (x, y, z) | Association with COMT Met Alleles |
| right middle | (, , , , | | | , , , , | |
| frontal gyrus | | | left orbital | | |
| (BA9/46) | 26, 44, 32 | positive* | cortex (BA47) | -22, 14, -16 | positive |
| right superior | | | left middle | | |
| temporal gyrus | 5 0 40 40 | + | temporal gyrus | 00 00 40 | |
| (BA22) | 56, -48, 16 | positive* | (BA21) | -66, -30, -12 | positive |
| precuneus | 0 70 40 | | right cingulate | 44 0 00 | |
| (BA7) | -2, -70, 48 | positive | gyrus | 14, 8, 28 | negative |
| right amygdala | 20, 2, -20 | negative | | | |
| left para- | | | | | |
| hippocampal | | | | | |
| gyrus (BA28) | -16, 2, -32 | negative* | | | |

Regions of Interest Analyses

Patients Healthy Volunteers

| Region | R² (df) | Association with COMT Met Alleles | Region | R² (df) | Association with COMT Met Alleles |
|---|----------|-----------------------------------|---|------------|-----------------------------------|
| bilateral dorsolateral prefrontal | | | bilateral dorsolateral prefrontal | | |
| cortex (BA9/46) bilateral | 0.19(23) | positive* | cortex (BA9/46) bilateral | <0.001(45) | - |
| amygdala bilateral para- | 0.20(23) | negative* | amygdala bilateral para- | 0.002(45) | - |
| hippocampus | 0.13(23) | negative | hippocampus | <0.001(45) | - |

^{*}statistically significant between-diagnostic-group difference