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Supplementary Table 1. Clinical characteristics and multivariate linear regression results of disease subtypes in unrelated *C9orf72* patients. Additive model: AA vs AG vs GG; dominant model: AA or AG vs GG; recessive model: AA vs AG or GG. P-values <0.05 are presented in bold font.

	Combined <i>C9orf72</i> patients	Disease phenotypes			ALS subtypes			FTD subtypes				
		Combined ALS	Combined FTD	Combined FTD-ALS	Bulbar ALS	Limb ALS	UALS	bvFTD	PNFA	SD	UFTD	
Number of cases (%)	304 (100%)	59 (19.4%)	174 (57.2%)	71 (23.3%)	23 (7.5%)	35 (12.8%)	1 (0.3%)	157 (51.6%)	7 (2.3%)	7 (2.3%)	3 (1%)	
Sex (Male, n, percentage)	167 (54.9%)	27 (45.7%)	100 (57.5%)	40 (56.3%)	8 (34.8%)	18 (51.4%)	1 (100%)	92 (58.6)	5 (71%)	3 (42.9%)	0 (0%)	
AO (years, median, IQR)	58 (52-64)	58 (55-67.5)	58 (51.3-63)	57 (52-64)	60 (57-68)	57 (54-67)	NA	58 (51-63)	60 (58-62.5)	58 (50-62.5)	62 (56.5-65)	
AO (years, mean, range)	59 (34-80)	59.5 (37-78)	57.4 (34-80)	57.9 (38-73)	61.4 (51-73)	58.4 (37-78)	NA	57.2 (34-77)	60.9 (56-69)	58.7 (48-80)	60.3 (51-68)	
Additive Model	adjusted p*	0.0000023	0.002	0.0008	0.125	0.07	0.015	NA	0.0043	NA	NA	NA
	r ²	0.077	0.19	0.057	0.06	0.04	0.28	NA	0.078	NA	NA	NA
	B (SE)	3.2 (0.67)	4.97 (1.53)	2.82 (0.8)	2.63 (1.69)	3.77 (2)	5.9 (2.3)	NA	2.52 (0.87)	NA	NA	NA
Dominant Model	adjusted p*	0.00003	0.0002	0.04	0.14	0.04	0.001	NA	0.07	NA	NA	NA
	r ²	0.06	0.26	0.02	0.02	0.09	0.3	NA	0.03	NA	NA	NA
	B (SE)	1.44 (0.95)	8.5 (2.1)	2.6 (1.3)	3.4 (2.3)	5.9 (2.7)	11.1 (3)	NA	2.4 (1.3)	NA	NA	NA
Recessive Model	adjusted p*	0.0005	0.3	0.0004	0.4	0.47	0.6	NA	0.001	NA	NA	NA
	r ²	0.04	0.06	0.07	0.03	0.4	0.04	NA	0.07	NA	NA	NA
	B (SE)	4.5 (1.3)	3.3 (3.2)	5.7 (1.6)	2.6 (3.2)	3.3 (4.4)	2.5 (4.6)	NA	5.4 (1.7)	NA	NA	NA

*p-values adjusted for sex and rs1990622 genotypes; NA = not applicable, UALS = unspecified ALS; UFTD= unspecified FTD; bvFTD = behavioural frontotemporal dementia, SD = semantic dementia, PNFA = progressive nonfluent aphasia.

Supplementary Table 2. Clinical characteristics and multivariate linear regression results of disease subtypes in unrelated *C9orf72* negative patients. Additive model: AA vs AG vs GG; dominant model: AA or AG vs GG; recessive model: AA vs AG or GG. P-values <0.05 are presented in bold font.

	<i>C9orf72</i> negative patients	Disease phenotypes			FTD subtypes				
		ALS	FTD	FTD-ALS	bvFTD	PNFA	SD	UFTD	
Number of cases (%)	2634 (100%)	328 (12.5%)	2142 (81.3%)	164 (6.2%)	1364 (51.8%)	326 (12.4%)	359 (13.6%)	93 (3.5%)	
Sex (Male, n, percentage)	1441 (54.7%)	196 (59.8%)	1136 (53%)	109 (66.5%)	727 (53.3%)	156 (47.9%)	205 (57.1%)	48 (51.6%)	
AO (years, median, IQR)	62 (55-69)	60 (51-69)	62 (55-65)	61.5 (56-68)	62 (56-66.5)	65 (58-71)	61.5 (55-68)	64 (56-70)	
AO (years, mean, range)	61.5 (23-90)	59.5 (24-87)	61.8 (23-90)	61.6 (31-89)	61.8 (41-85)	64.5 (41-86)	61.1 (23-90)	63 (31-85)	
Additive Model	adjusted p*	0.03	0.39	0.03	0.47	0.04	0.1	0.32	0.06
	r ²	0.007	0.002	0.01	0.008	0.013	0.019	0.003	0.022
	B (SE)	0.61 (0.28)	0.85 (0.97)	0.66 (0.3)	-0.8 (1.2)	0.81 (0.4)	1.1 (0.68)	-0.62 (0.63)	3.1 (1.6)
Dominant Model	adjusted p*	0.33	0.75	0.24	0.38	0.19	0.07	0.032	0.1
	r ²	0.006	0.0003	0.01	0.005	0.01	0.02	0.009	0.01
	B (SE)	0.41 (0.42)	0.45 (1.4)	0.52 (0.45)	-1.3 (1.5)	0.78 (0.6)	1.83 (1)	-1.9 (0.9)	3.9 (2.3)
Recessive Model	adjusted p*	0.007	0.23	0.01	0.9	0.035	0.47	0.3	0.16
	r ²	0.009	0.004	0.01	0.0002	0.013	0.012	0.004	0.003
	B (SE)	1.41 (0.52)	2.2 (1.8)	1.4 (0.55)	-0.3 (2.4)	1.49 (0.7)	0.92 (1.28)	1.2 (1.2)	4.1 (2.9)

*p-values adjusted for sex.

Supplementary Table 3. Sample characteristics of the ALS cases whose frontal cortex tissues were used in the gene expression experiments.

Total number	25
Sex (number of men, %)	15 (60%)
Age of death (mean, SD) in years	64.24 (11.05)
Age of death (median, IQR) in years	65 (59-72)

IQR = interquartile range

Supplementary Table 4. PCR primers used to obtain genotypes for rs9357140, rs2143466 and rs1990622.

Primer name	Primer sequence
rs9357140 forward	5'-GGTCCTAGGTGGCTATGTGG-3'
rs9357140 reverse	5'-GAAAGCCATCTTCCAGGTGT-3'
rs2143466 forward	5'-TGAAAAGTCCATGCCCTACC-3'
rs2143466 reverse	5'-TTCACCTGCCCTATCCCAAC-3'
rs1990622 forward	5'- GCATTGTGTTTGATTGTAGGGG-3'
rs1990622 reverse	5'- ACTCCAGGACTTATGTGGCC-3'

Supplementary Table 5. The variants genotyped or imputed for the replication cohort.

FTD-GWAS Phase I (n=150)							
CHR	POS	rs#	REF	ALT	Genotyped	Imputed	Imputation score
6	32282033	rs547261	G	A		yes	0.99
6	32289318	rs547077	T	C	yes		
6	32290954	rs485774	A	G		yes	0.99
6	32297337	rs9368713	T	C	yes		
6	32298372	rs9405090	A	G	yes		
6	32301514	rs9357140	G	A		yes	0.99
6	32307382	rs1033500	G	A		yes	0.99
6	32333955	rs9268368	T	C	yes		
6	32336586	rs9268384	A	G	yes		
6	32309323	rs2143466	C	T		yes	0.99
7	12283787	rs1990622	A	G		yes	0.99
FTD-GWAS Phase II (n=37)							
CHR	POS	rs#	REF	ALT	Genotyped	Imputed	Imputation score
6	32282033	rs547261	G	A	yes		
6	32289318	rs547077	T	C	yes		
6	32290954	rs485774	A	G		yes	0.99
6	32297337	rs9368713	T	C		yes	0.99
6	32298372	rs9405090	A	G	yes		
6	32301514	rs9357140	G	A		yes	0.99
6	32307382	rs1033500	G	A	yes		
6	32333955	rs9268368	T	C	yes		
6	32336586	rs9268384	A	G		yes	0.99
6	32309323	rs2143466	C	T		yes	1
7	12283787	rs1990622	A	G		yes	0.43

Supplementary Table 6. Results of testing endogenous gene expression in nine frontal cortex tissues (n=3 per rs9357140 genotype) using Normfinder. Lower stability values represent less variability.

Gene name	Stability value
<i>UBC</i>	0.359
<i>HPRT1</i>	0.379
<i>B2M</i>	0.049
<i>RPLP0</i>	0.099

Supplementary Table 7. The association between DNA methylation of CpG-SNPs and age of onset in 46 *C9orf72* patients (10 top-significant CpGs are listed).

CpG ID	p-value	q-value	Rs#	Gene
cg18698799	6.0E-06	0.035	rs9357140	<i>C6orf10</i>
cg26690318	9.6E-06	0.035	rs12763379	<i>PYROXD2</i>
cg10528537	1.8E-05	0.045	rs2143466	<i>C6orf10</i>
cg04541421	0.00046	0.595	rs11647	<i>C2orf74</i>
cg01429471	0.00058	0.590	rs56142004	
cg00892703	0.00062	0.590	rs62068681	<i>CPNE7</i>
cg15102777	0.00063	0.590	rs17153581	<i>BCCIP</i>
cg08324400	0.00064	0.590	rs12652492	
cg01733958	0.00075	0.615	rs1573732	<i>TMEM8A</i>
cg27443567	0.00085	0.630	rs2297186	<i>PCID2</i>

Supplementary Table 8. The distribution of rs9357140 genotypes in *C9orf72* ALS, FTD and FTD-ALS patients.

	AA (n, %)	AG (n, %)	GG (n, %)	Total number	Trend analysis	p-value
ALS	9 (15.3%)	27 (45.8%)	23 (39%)	59	ALS vs FTD	0.98
FTD-ALS	8 (11.3%)	45 (63.3%)	18 (25.4%)	71	ALS vs FTD-ALS	0.39
FTD	32 (18.4%)	69 (39.7%)	73 (41.9%)	174	FTD vs FTD-ALS	0.33

Supplementary Table 9. eQTL analysis using the GTeX database revealed significant changes in gene expression associated with rs9357140 genotypes in different tissues (10 top-significant hits are listed).

Gencode Id	Gene Symbol	P-Value	NES	Tissue
ENSG00000225914.1	<i>LOC101929163</i>	7.6E-09	-0.66	Brain - Nucleus accumbens (basal ganglia)
ENSG00000196126.6	<i>HLA-DRB1</i>	4.1E-06	-0.42	Brain – Frontal cortex
ENSG00000196126.6	<i>HLA-DRB1</i>	2.3E-05	-0.3	Testis
ENSG00000196126.6	<i>HLA-DRB1</i>	3.4E-06	-0.19	Skin - Sun Exposed (Lower leg)
ENSG00000196126.6	<i>HLA-DRB1</i>	5.0E-05	-0.17	Adipose - Subcutaneous
ENSG00000204308.6	<i>RNF5</i>	2.6E-07	0.12	Muscle - Skeletal
ENSG00000204296.7	<i>C6orf10</i>	5.3E-08	0.13	Testis
ENSG00000213676.6	<i>ATF6B</i>	1.1E-05	0.13	Muscle - Skeletal
ENSG00000213676.6	<i>ATF6B</i>	2.4E-05	0.15	Adipose - Subcutaneous
ENSG00000204314.6	<i>PRRT1</i>	2.6E-06	0.17	Esophagus - Mucosa

Supplementary Table 10. Coding and non-coding effects of 196 variants in the *C6orf10/LOC101929163* LD-block (chr6: 32213638 – 32338386) associated with age of onset in *C9orf72* carriers. The 10 SNPs (including rs9357140) investigated in the current study are in red. NA = not applicable. See the pdf file (Supplementary Table 10.pdf).

Supplementary Table 10. Coding and non-coding effects of 196 variants in the C6orf10/LOC101929163 LD-block (chr6: 32213638 – 32338386) associated with age of onset in C9orf72 carriers

RS Number	Position	Alleles	Minor allele frequencies	Distance	Dprime	R ²	Correlated Alleles	Function	Amino acid change	Polyphen	SIFT	CpG-SNP	DNaseI hyperactivity site	Items (total 125)	Cluster score (total 1000)	Transcriptional factor binding sites
rs9267956	32213638	A G	0.3618	-87876	0.9738	0.9124	G=A,A=G	NA				yes	chr6:32213606-32213775	2	225	no
rs1559876	32215769	G C	0.3588	-85745	0.9868	0.9249	G=G,A=C	NA				yes				no
rs9267996	32220334	A C	0.3588	-79580	0.9868	0.9249	G=A,A=C	NA				no				no
rs9268000	32223231	A G	0.34	-77983	0.9954	0.866	G=A,A=C	NA				no	chr6:3222966-32223535	114	1000	no
rs147193449	32227488	A G	-	-74026	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				no				no
rs144336179	32227912	G -	0.3718	-73602	1	0.9958	G=G,A=-	NA				no				no
rs2688045	32229655	C T	0.3718	-71859	1	0.9958	G=C,A=T	NA				no				no
rs4959091	32231047	G A	0.3718	-70500	1	0.9958	G=G,A=A	NA				yes				no
rs2395114	32233547	A G	0.3718	-67967	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				no				no
rs9268082	32234953	G T	0.3718	-66561	1	0.9958	G=G,A=T	NA				yes	chr6:32234786-32235115	3	371	no
rs9268086	32238266	C T	0.3718	-63248	1	0.9958	G=C,A=T	NA				yes				no
rs2395115	32239502	T C	0.3718	-62712	1	0.9958	G=T,A=C	NA				no				no
rs2022539	32239508	A C	0.3688	-61956	1	0.9958	G=A,A=C	NA				no				no
rs9268113	32248166	G C	0.3748	-53348	0.9829	0.9578	G=G,A=C	NA				yes				no
rs9268115	32248364	C T	0.3748	-53150	1	0.9831	G=C,A=T	NA				yes				no
rs7454557	32252274	A G	0.3718	-49240	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				yes				no
rs9268129	32254225	G C	0.3658	-47289	0.9957	0.9704	G=G,A=C	NA				yes				no
rs9268141	32256132	G A	0.3658	-45382	0.9957	0.9704	G=G,A=A	NA				yes				no
rs4713518	32257337	A G	0.3718	-44177	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				yes				no
rs482114	32260559	A G	0.3718	-40955	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				no				no
rs560505	32261771	A G	0.3658	-39743	0.9957	0.9704	G=A,A=G	missense	p.Ser227Pro	benign	deleterious	no				no
rs518374	32265710	A C	0.3718	-35804	1	0.9958	G=A,A=C	NA				yes	chr6:32266401-32266970	44	560	no
rs655757	32266535	G A	0.3658	-34979	0.9957	0.9704	G=G,A=T	NA				yes				no
rs375757	32268501	A T	0.3718	-33013	1	0.9958	G=A,A=T	NA				no				no
rs333876	32268980	A G	0.3718	-32534	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				no				no
rs477305	32270500	A G	0.3658	-31014	0.9957	0.9704	G=A,A=G	NA				no				no
rs544358	32273158	G C	0.3718	-28356	1	0.9958	G=G,A=C	NA				no				no
rs40926	32276169	A G	0.3718	-25345	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				no				no
rs484302	32276300	G A	0.3718	-25214	1	0.9958	G=G,A=A	NA				yes				no
rs1265776	32276502	A G	0.3718	-25012	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				yes				no
rs502626	32278266	A G	0.3718	-23248	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				no				no
rs547261	32282033	G A	0.3718	-19481	1	0.9958	G=G,A=A	NA				no				no
rs143081527	32284423	ACTCTAG	-	-18892	1	0.9958	G=TTTGACAACT	NA				no				no
rs495140	32284423	A T	0.3718	-17091	1	0.9958	G=A,A=T	NA				no	chr6:32284261-32284475	2	200	no
rs567828	32284950	T A	0.3718	-16564	1	0.9958	G=T,A=A	NA				no				no
rs531094	32286102	T A	0.3718	-15412	1	0.9958	G=T,A=A	NA				no				no
rs557539	32286680	G A	0.3787	-14834	1	0.9666	G=G,A=A	NA				no				no
rs560324	32286994	T G	0.3787	-14530	1	0.9666	G=T,A=G	NA				no				no
rs2746115	32287429	C T	0.3757	-14185	1	0.979	G=C,A=T	NA				no	chr6:32287266-32287415	1	177	no
rs580921	32287496	A G	0.3509	-14018	0.9955	0.9092	G=A,A=G	NA				yes				no
rs575765	32288041	T C	0.3718	-13473	1	0.9958	G=T,A=C	NA				no				no
rs574710	32288190	T C	0.3787	-13324	1	0.9666	G=T,A=C	NA				yes				no
rs539703	32288462	A C	0.3718	-13052	1	0.9958	G=A,A=C	NA				yes				no
rs540635	32288664	T G	0.3787	-12709	1	0.9666	G=T,A=G	NA				yes				no
rs42525	32288905	T C	0.3787	-12709	1	0.9666	G=T,A=C	NA				yes				no
rs544100	32288932	A C	0.3718	-12582	1	0.9958	G=T,A=A	NA				no				no
rs546857	32289240	C T	0.3658	-12274	0.9957	0.9704	G=C,A=T	NA				no				no
rs54707	32289318	T C	0.3787	-12196	1	0.9666	G=T,A=C	NA				no				no
rs572730	32289764	C T	0.3718	-11750	1	0.9958	G=C,A=T	NA				no				no
rs55723730	32290694	- A	0.3718	-10820	1	0.9958	G=-,A=A	NA				no				no
rs5695092	32290697	- AA	0.3718	-10817	1	0.9958	G=-,A=AA	NA				no				no
rs487649	32290748	A G	0.3718	-10766	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				yes				no
rs485774	32290954	A G	0.3718	-10560	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				no				no
rs374409084	32291270	AG -	0.3718	-10244	1	0.9958	G=A,G,A=-	NA				no				no
rs523627	32291837	G T	0.3718	-9877	1	0.9958	G=G,A=T	NA				no				no
rs525607	32292084	C T	0.3787	-9430	1	0.9666	G=C,A=T	NA				no				no
rs74839053	32292571	T A	0.3718	-8943	1	0.9958	G=T,A=A	NA				no				no
rs552339	32292715	G A	0.3718	-8799	1	0.9958	G=G,A=A	NA				no				no
rs338885	32293152	A G	0.3718	-8362	1	0.9958	G=A,A=G	NA				yes				no
rs510181	32293434	A C	0.3787	-8080	1	0.9666	G=A,A=C	NA				no				no
rs2395143	32293578	C G	0.334	-7936	0.9905	0.835	G=C,A=G	NA				yes				no
rs471081	32293598	A T	0.3787	-7916	0.9957	0.9583	G=A,A=T	NA				no				no
rs51964	32293671	G A	0.3638	-7843	0.9913	0.9537	G=G,A=A	NA				no				no
rs504703	32294017	T C	0.3718	-7497	1	0.9958	G=T,A=C	NA				no				no
rs476584	32294192	G A	0.3797	-7322	1	0.9626	G=G,A=A	NA				yes				no
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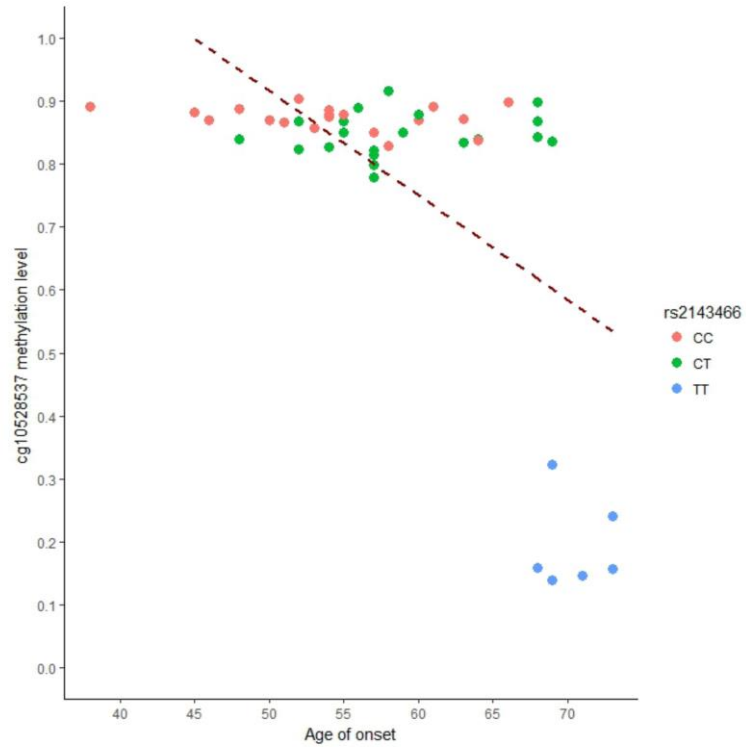
Supplementary Table 11. The SNPs located within or close to the *C6orf10/LOC101929163* locus (chr6: 32213638–32338386) reported to be associated with neurodegenerative or autoimmune diseases.

SNP	R ² associated with rs9357140	Candidate gene	p-value	Reported odds ratio (95% CI)*	Disease	Reference
rs9268877	0	<i>HLA-DRA/HLA-DRB5</i>	1×10 ⁻⁸	1.204(1.11-1.3)	FTD	PMID:24943344
rs9268856	0.06	<i>HLA-DRA/HLA-DRB5</i>	5.51×10 ⁻⁹	0.8(0.76-0.86)	FTD	PMID:24943344
rs9271192	0.07	<i>HLA-DRB1</i>	0.004	2.069(1.26-3.43)	AD	PMID:29190991
rs3135388	0.06	<i>HLA-DRA</i>	8.94×10 ⁻⁸¹	1.99(1.84-2.15)	Multiple Sclerosis	PMID: 17660530
rs3129871	0.27	<i>HLA-DRA</i>	5.7×10 ⁻¹⁵	1.72(1.59-1.86)	Multiple Sclerosis	PMID: 23472185
rs3129882	0.03	<i>HLA-DRA</i>	1.9×10 ⁻¹⁰	1.26(1.17-1.35)	Parkinson's disease	PMID: 20711177
rs3129934	0.1	<i>C6orf10</i>	9×10 ⁻¹¹	3.3(2.3-4.9)	Multiple Sclerosis	PMID: 22457343
rs2395148	0.03	<i>C6orf10</i>	2×10 ⁻¹⁰	5.37(3.02-9.56)	Arthritis	PMID: 18576341
rs6910071	0.39	<i>C6orf10</i>	1×10 ⁻²⁹⁹	2.88(2.73-3.03)	Rheumatoid arthritis	PMID: 20453842
rs9296015	0.16	<i>NOTCH4</i>	1×10 ⁻⁸	1.85(1.49-2.27)	Systemic sclerosis	PMID: 21779181
rs443198	0.008	<i>NOTCH4</i>	9×10 ⁻²¹	1.82(1.59-2.04)	Systemic sclerosis	PMID:21779181
rs2273017	0.45	<i>C6orf10</i>	2×10 ⁻²²	1.53(1.40-1.66)	Grave's disease	PMID: 21900946
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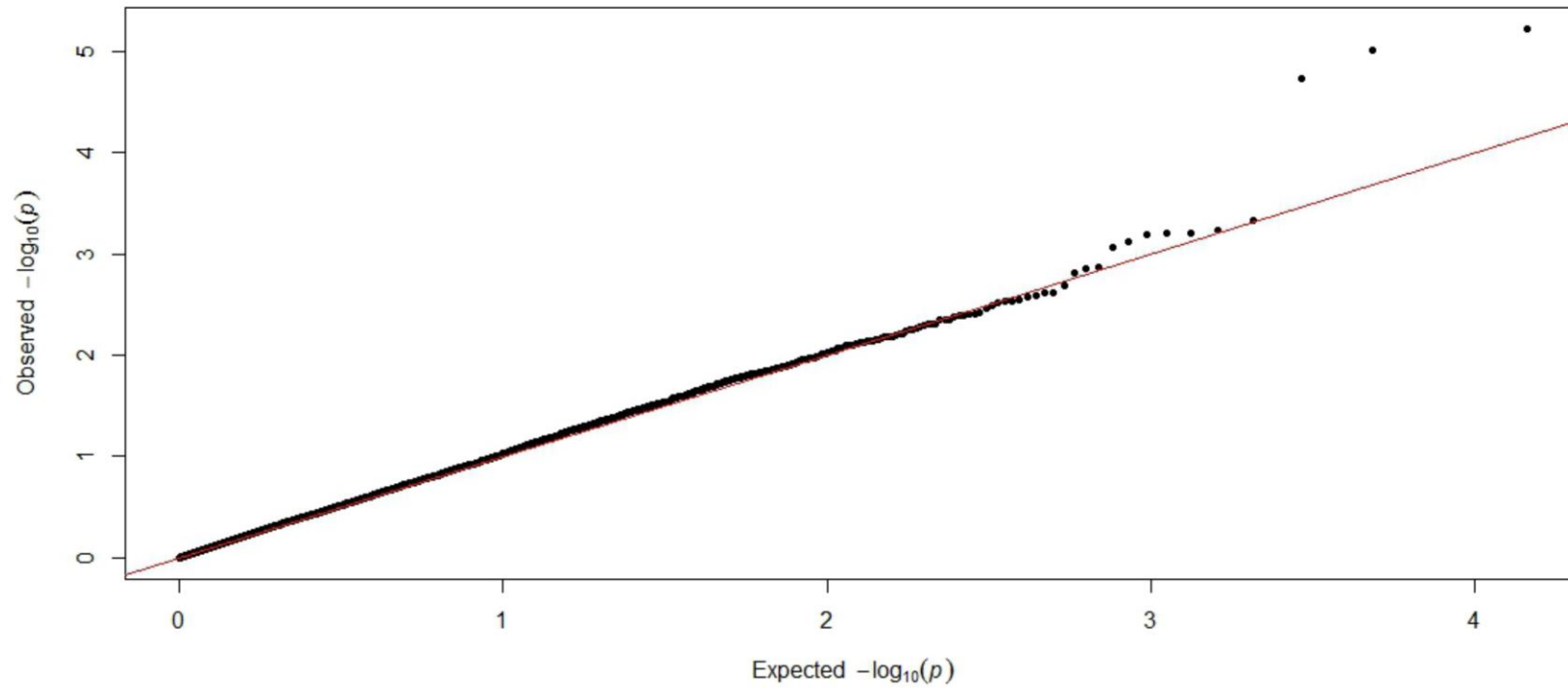
*SNPs with an OR ≥1.2 or ≤ 0.8 were included.

Supplementary Table 12. The distribution of phenotypes for *C9orf72* carriers in the discovery and replication stages.

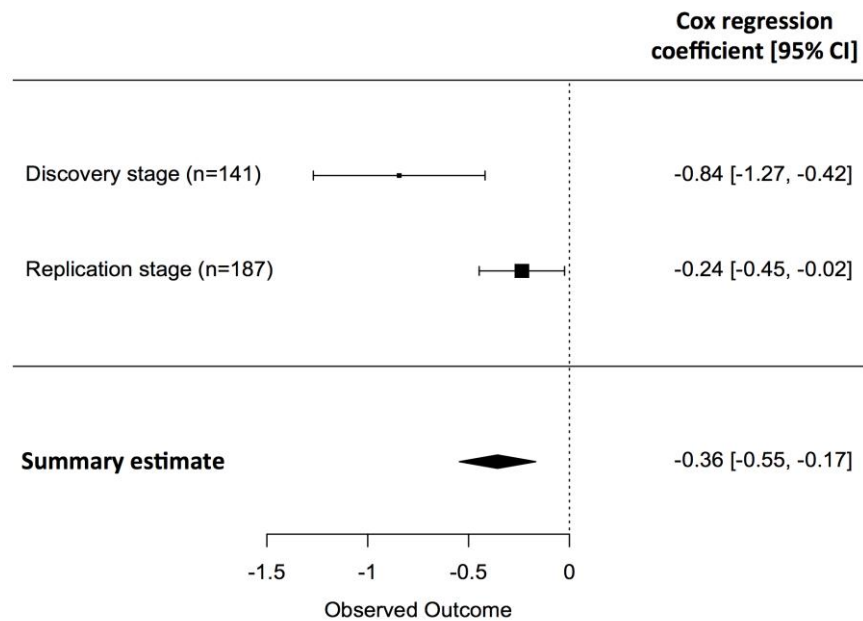
	ALS	FTD	FTD-ALS	Asymptomatic	Total number
Discovery stage	61 (42.4%)	40 (27.8%)	21 (14.5%)	22 (15.3%)	144
Replication stage	0	136 (72.7%)	51 (27.3%)	0	187



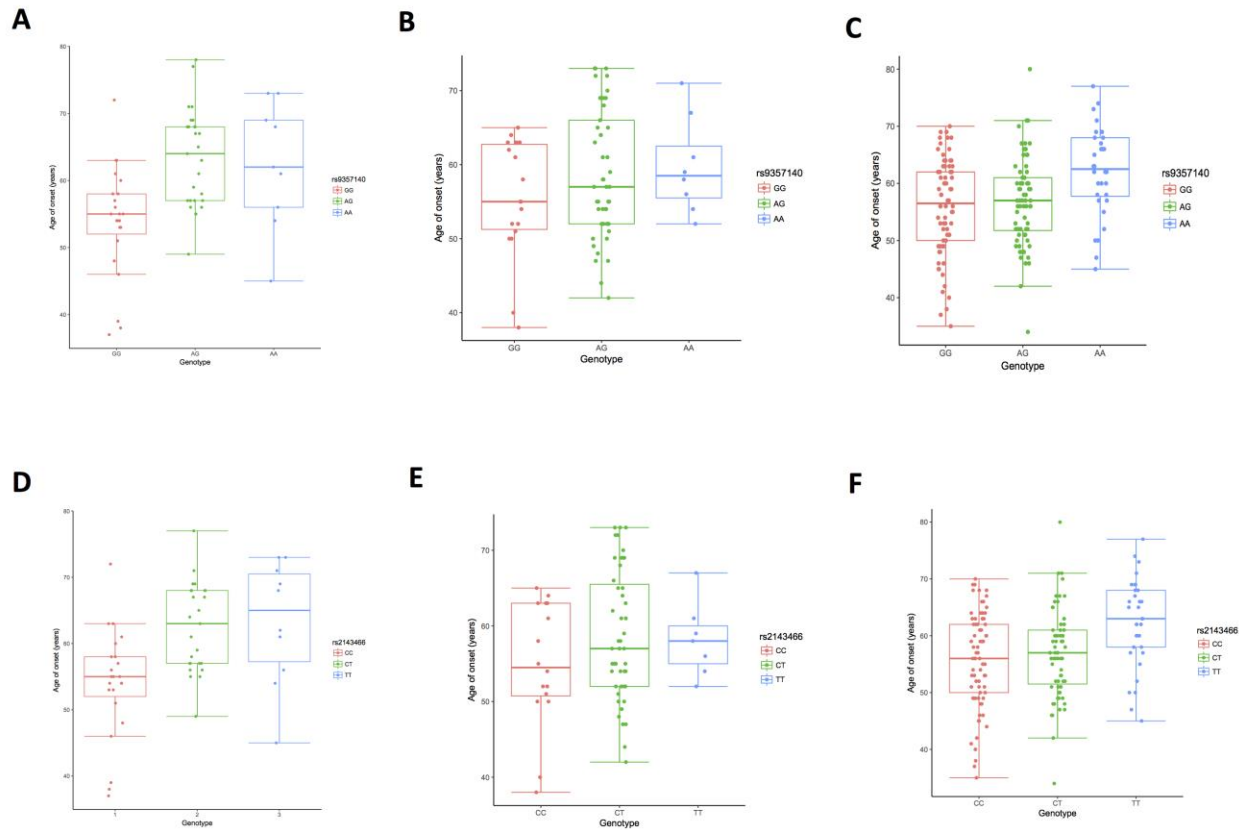
Supplementary Figure 1. Genotypes of rs2143466 in the discovery cohort are significantly associated with DNA methylation status ($p < 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$, $B = -0.25$) and AO ($p = 7.0 \times 10^{-6}$ adjusted for sex and *TMEM106B* genotypes, $B = 7.1$).



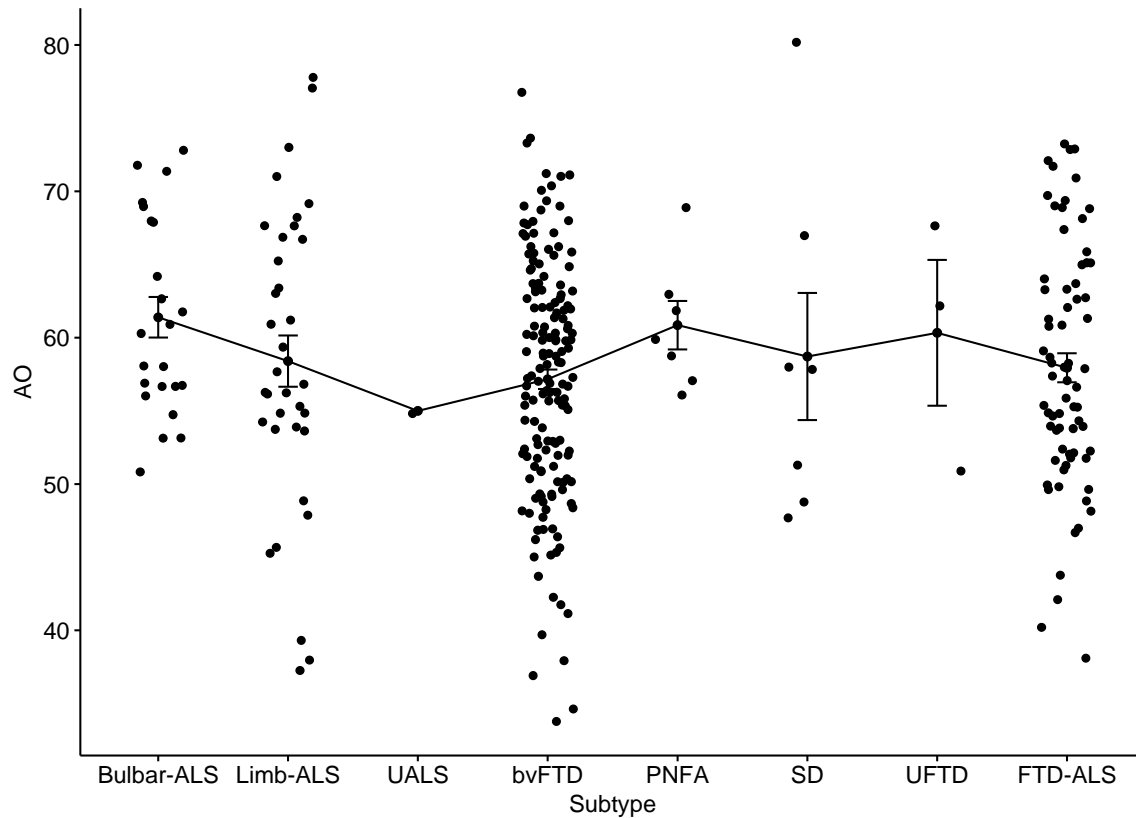
Supplementary Figure 2. A Q-Q plot of the genome-wide DNA methylation analysis of CpG-SNPs.



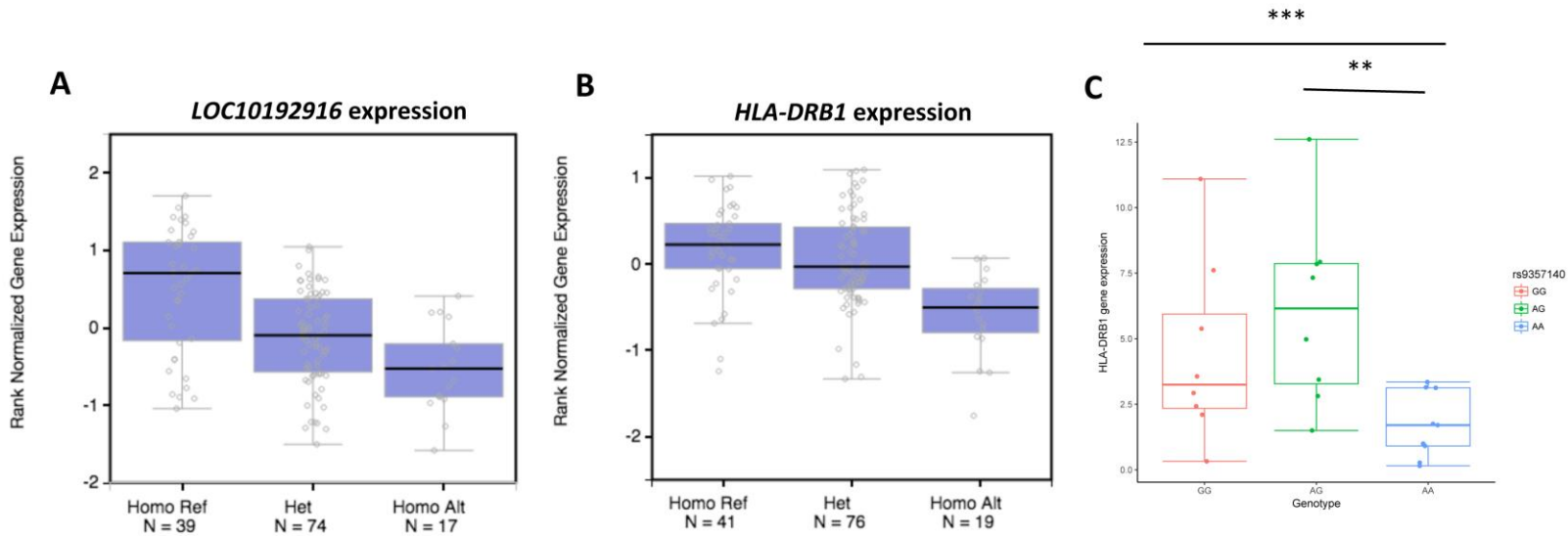
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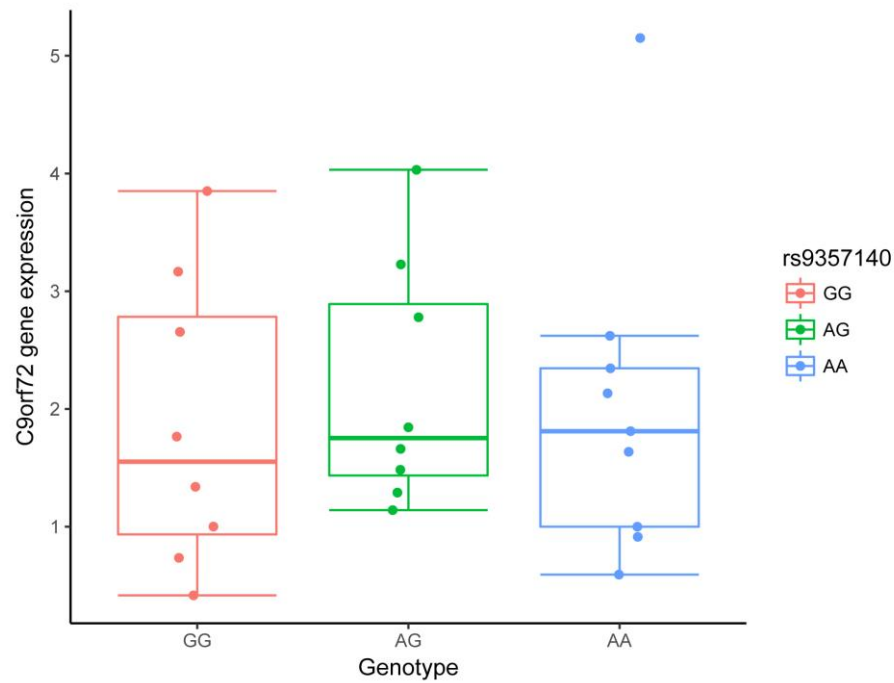
Supplementary Figure 4. (A-C) Box-Scatter plots representing the association between rs9357140 genotypes and age of onset in *C9orf72* patients with ALS (A): adjusted $p=0.002$, $B=4.0$ (SE: 1.53); FTD-ALS (B): adjusted $p=0.125$, $B=2.63$ (SE:1.69); and FTD (C): adjusted $p=0.0008$, $B=2.82$ (SE: 0.83). (D-F) Box-Scatter plots representing the association between rs2143466 genotypes and age of onset in *C9orf72* patients with ALS (D): adjusted $p=0.0007$, $B=5.1$ (SE: 1.43); FTD-ALS (E): adjusted $p=0.199$, $B=2.3$ (SE:1.77); and FTD (F): adjusted $p=0.0004$, $B=2.95$ (SE: 0.82).



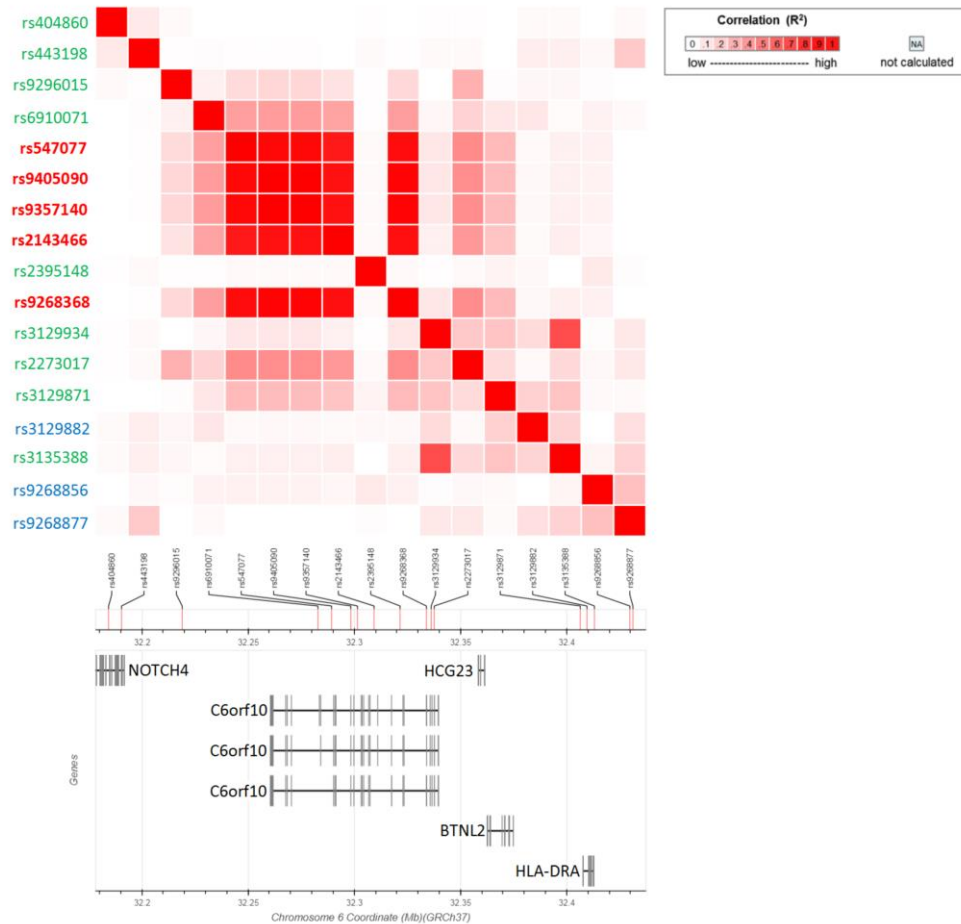
Supplementary Figure 5. Scatter plot of age of onset (AO) in disease subtypes of unrelated *C9orf72* patients (total n=304). Mean AO and standard error bar for each group are presented. We found no significant difference in AO among the ALS subtypes (bulbar ALS, limb ALS, unspecified ALS) or FTD subtypes (bvFTD, SD, PNFA, unspecified FTD): $p > 0.05$, Kruskal Wallis test.



Supplementary Figure 6. Results of the association study of rs9357140 using GTEx eQTL data (Ref=G-allele, Alt=A-allele) and quantitative RT-PCR. Genotypes of rs9357140 are significantly associated with **(A)** *LOC101929163* expression in nucleus accumbens ($p=7.6\times 10^{-6}$, $n=130$) and **(B)** *HLA-DRB1* expression in frontal cortex tissues ($p=4.1\times 10^{-6}$, $n=136$). **(C)** In 25 ALS frontal cortex tissues, rs9357140 AA-carriers have reduced *HLA-DRB1* expression compared to AG- or GG-carriers (** $p=0.001$ for AA vs AG; *** $p=0.000003$ for AA vs GG; Mann-Whitney U test).



Supplementary Figure 7. Genotypes of rs9357140 are not associated with *C9orf72* expression ($p > 0.05$, Mann-Whitney U test) in frontal cortex tissues from 25 ALS cases. Expression *C9orf72* and *HLA-DRB1* are not significantly correlated with each other ($p = 0.23$, multivariate linear regression, adjusted for sex).



Supplementary Figure 8. LD-plot with the location of the genetic variations (rs547077, rs9405090, rs9357140, rs2143466, and rs9268368) significantly associated with age of onset in *C9orf72* patients (in red font), as well as nearby top-significant variants (rs404860, rs443198, rs9296015, rs6910071, rs2395148, rs3129934, rs2273017, rs3129871, rs3129882, rs3135388, rs9268856, and rs9268877) reported to be linked to neurodegenerative (blue font) or autoimmune (green font) diseases ([Supplementary Table 11](#)).

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