

Supplemental Figures

Title: Divergent neuronal DNA methylation patterns across human cortical development reveal critical periods and a unique role of CpH methylation

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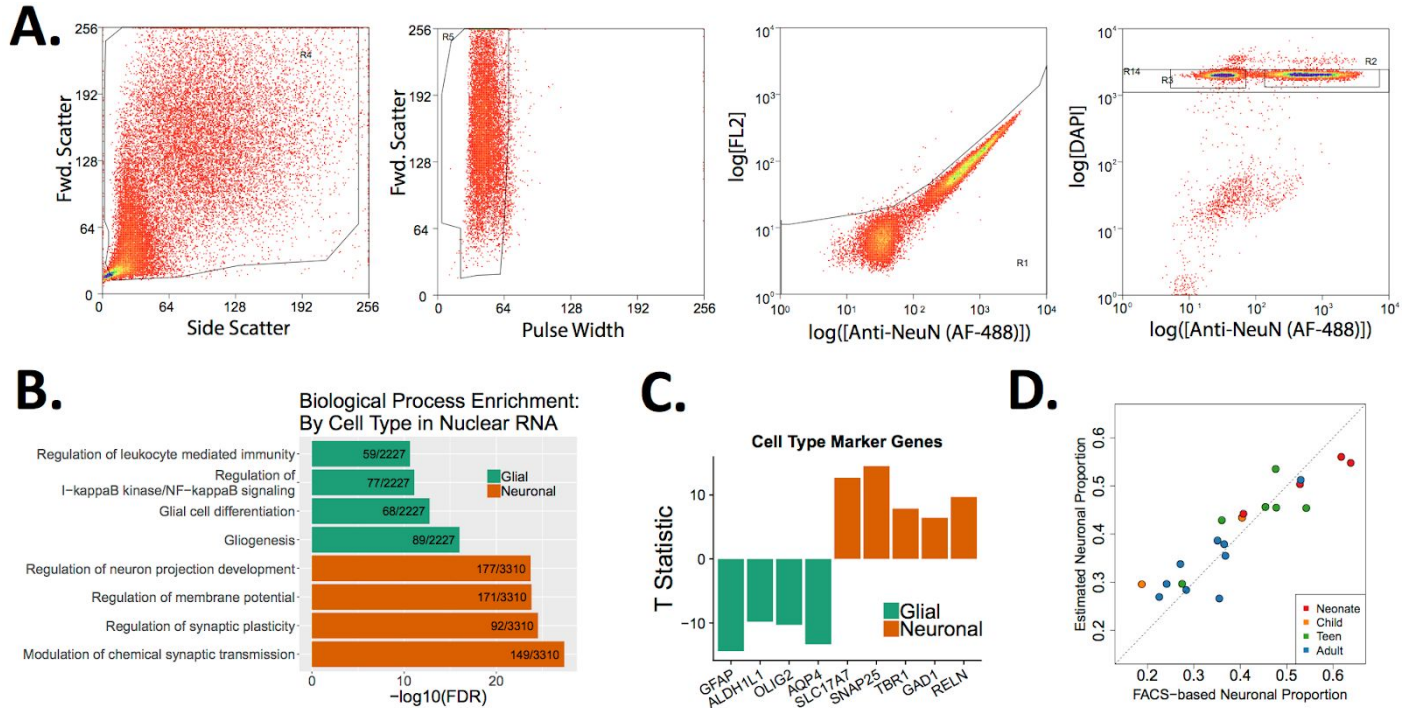


Figure S1: Confirmation of neuronal- and glial-enriched identity of NeuN+ and NeuN- samples. (A)

Representative gating strategy from fluorescence-activated nuclear sorting by NeuN antibody.

Debris is first reduced by selecting events based on forward scatter and side scatter, then aggregates are reduced by measuring pulse width. Autofluorescent events are discarded by measuring true Alexa fluor-488 signal compared to signal in the FL2 channel. Finally, singlets are determined by DAPI staining, and Alexa fluor-488 positive and negative events are collected. **(B)**

Top biological processes enriched in genes significantly differentially expressed in nuclear RNA

from NeuN+ (labeled “Neurons”) and NeuN- (labeled “Glial”) at FDR<0.05. **(C)** T statistics for marker genes for neuronal and non-neuronal identity show that the genes are differentially expressed in NeuN+ and NeuN- nuclear RNA (FDR<0.05). **(D)** The estimated proportion of neurons in

homogenate WGBS samples based on statistical deconvolution using differentially methylated cytosines between NeuN+ and NeuN- samples is highly correlated with the empirically-derived proportion of NeuN+ events.

Homogenate data: $p_{\downarrow ij} = \alpha_{\downarrow i} + \beta_{\downarrow i} \uparrow H \text{ Age}_{\downarrow j} + \varepsilon_{\downarrow ij}$

Sorted data: $p_{\downarrow ij} = \alpha_{\downarrow i} + \beta_{\downarrow i} \uparrow C \text{ Age}_{\downarrow j} + \gamma_{\downarrow i} \text{ Type}_{\downarrow j} + \delta_{\downarrow i} \text{ Age}_{\downarrow j} * \text{Type}_{\downarrow j} + \varepsilon_{\downarrow ij}$

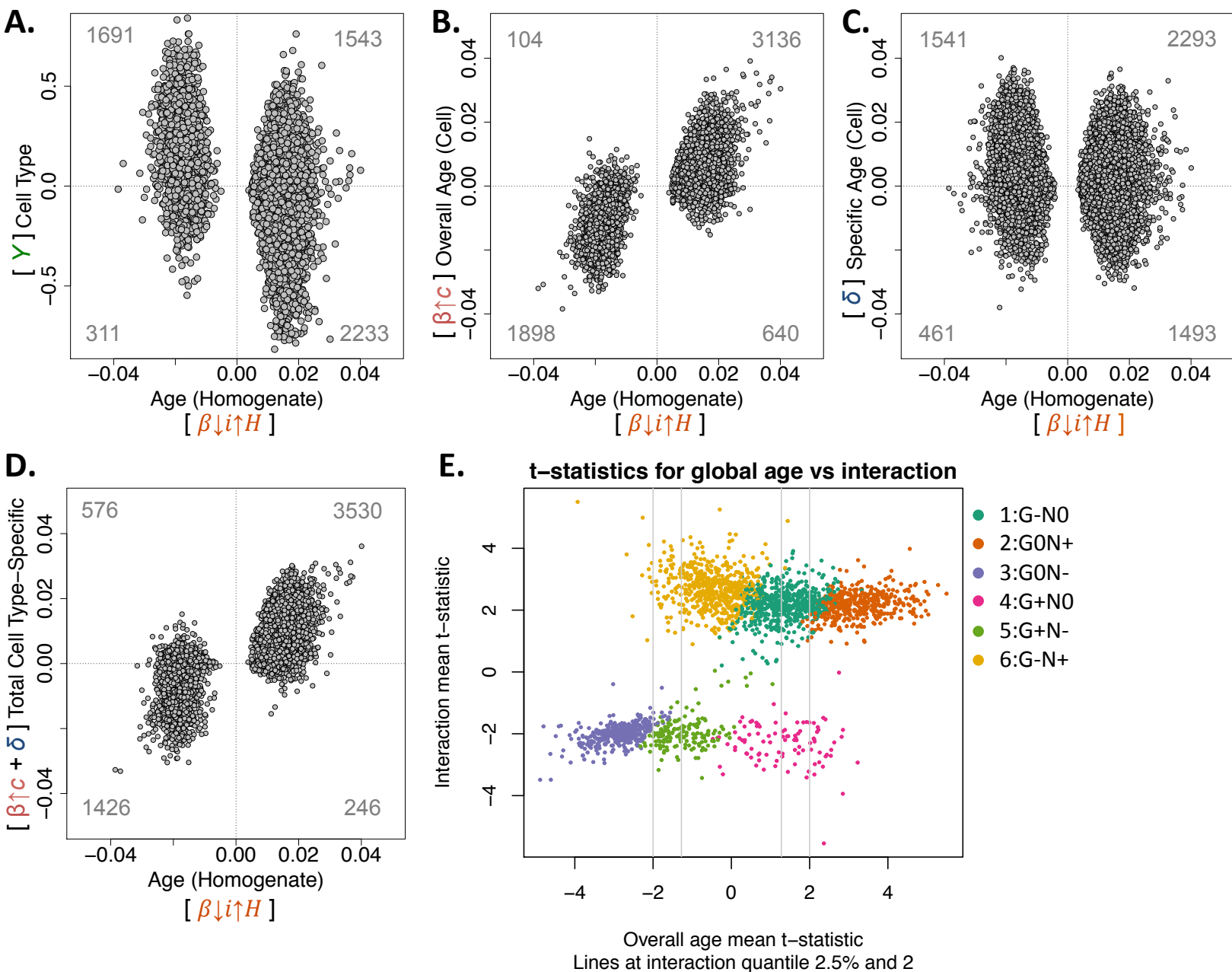


Figure S2: Detecting developmental changes in homogenate vs. cell type-specific DNAm data. **(A)**

Developmental age effect coefficients of individual CpGs as measured in homogenate samples compared against cell type effect coefficients in cell type-specific samples after adjusting for age.

(B) Developmental age effect coefficients of individual CpGs as measured in homogenate samples compared against the developmental effect adjusting for cell type in cell type-specific samples. **(C)**

Developmental age effect coefficients as measured in homogenate samples compared against the cumulative age and cell type interaction effect coefficients in cell type-specific samples at the CpG level. **(D)**

Developmental age effect coefficients as measured in homogenate samples compared against the estimated cell type-specific age effects for cell type-specific samples at the CpG level.

The plot axes are color coded for the coefficients they represent from the model assessing age-associated DNAm changes in homogenate tissue and the model assessing cell type-resolved age changes in the NeuN-sorted data (see above). The number of cytosines in each quadrant are listed in gray. **(E)** Overall age mean t-statistic for the cdDMRs (x-axis) against the mean interaction t-statistic (y-axis) with the 2.5% quantile from the y-axis shown on the x-axis. Colors are the same as those from **Figure 1B**: teal=Group 1 (decreasing glial methylation, increasing neuronal methylation), orange=Group 2 (static glial methylation, increasing neuronal methylation), purple=Group 3 (static glial methylation, decreasing neuronal methylation), pink=Group 4 (increasing glial methylation, static neuronal methylation), green=Group 5 (increasing glial methylation, decreasing neuronal methylation), gold=Group 6 (decreasing glial methylation, static neuronal methylation).

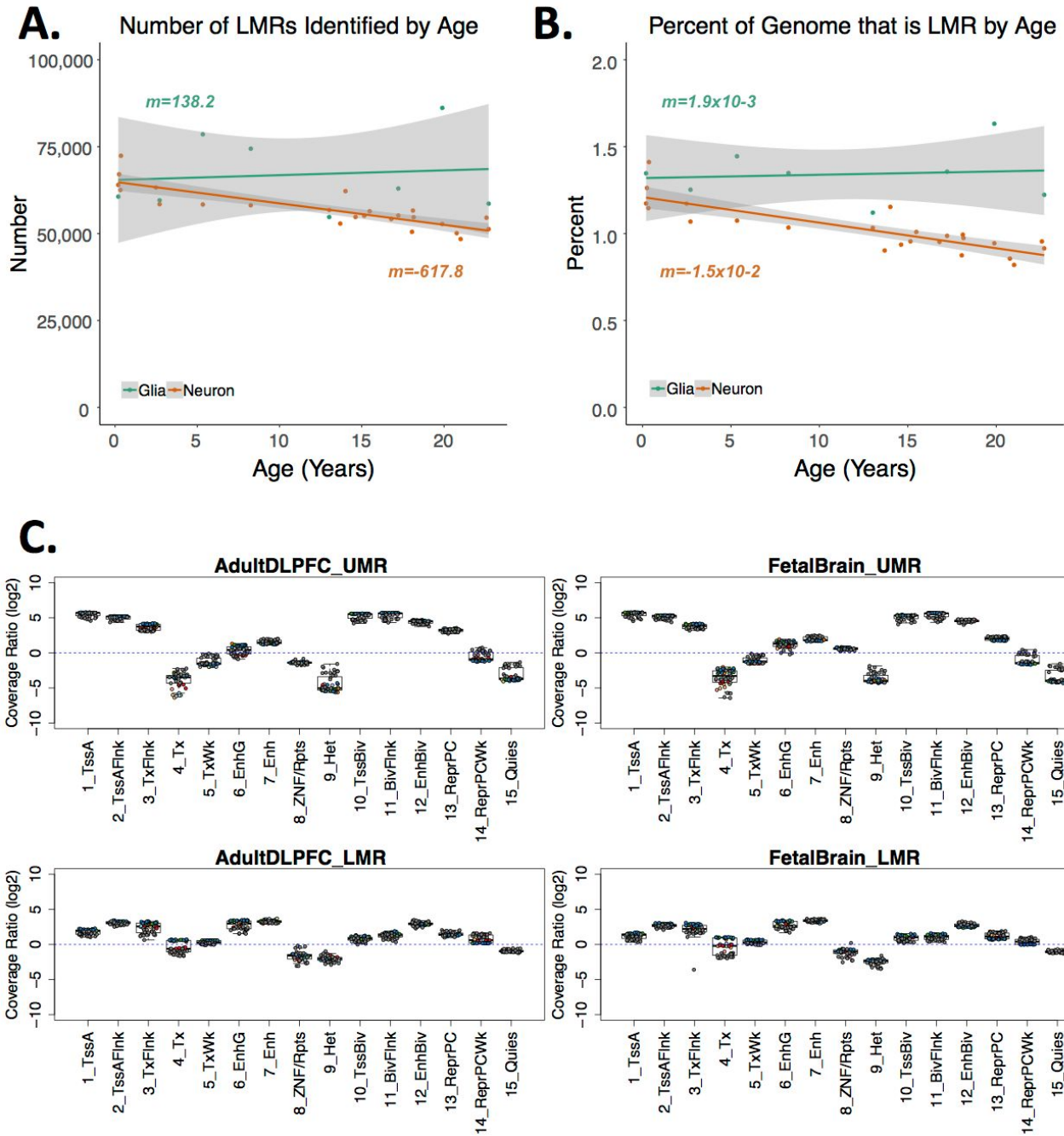


Figure S3: Unmethylated Regions (UMRs) and Low-methylated regions (LMRs). (A) Number of LMRs and (B) percent of the genome covered by LMRs by age stratified by cell type. Shading indicates the standard error of the linear model. The slope of the linear model for decreasing neuronal LMR number and size in (A) and (B) are 5.5x and 8.7x that of the glial samples,

respectively. **(C)** Roadmap Epigenomics Consortium predicted chromatin-enriched states for LMRs and UMRs as defined in adult DPLFC and fetal brain. $\log_2(\text{Coverage Ratio})$ represents the enrichment of the proportion of bases within LMRs or UMRs in a chromatin state compared to the rest of the genome.

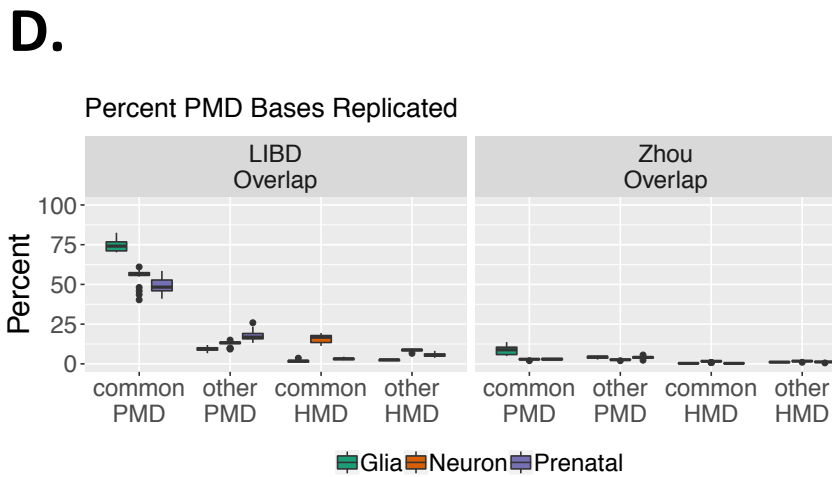
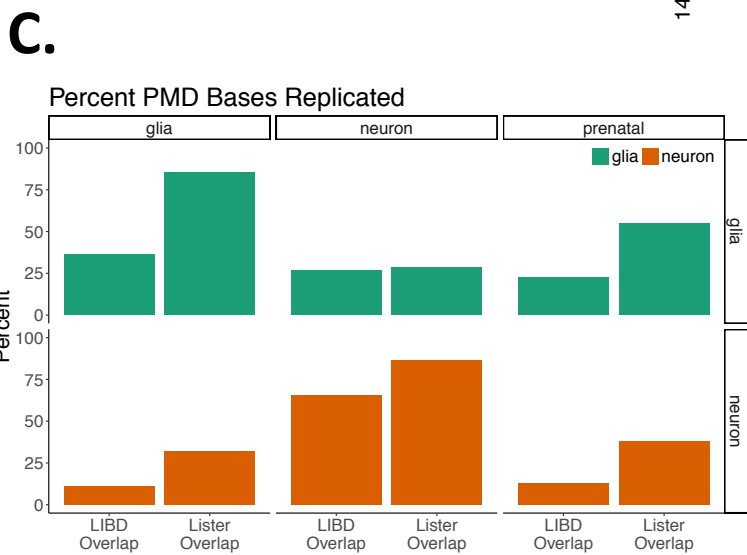
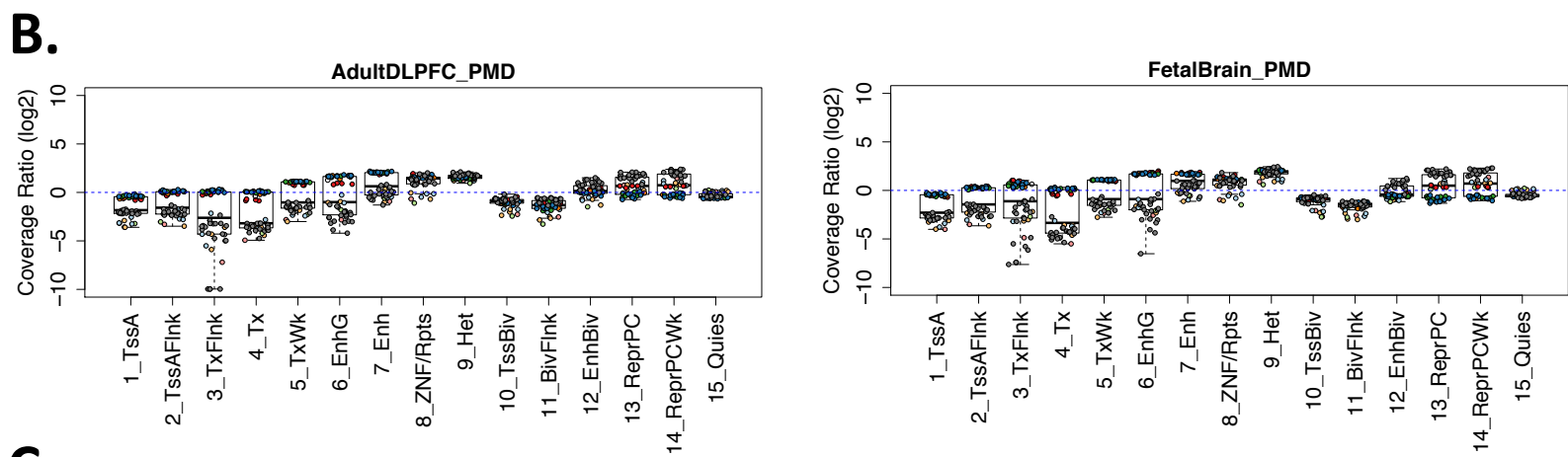
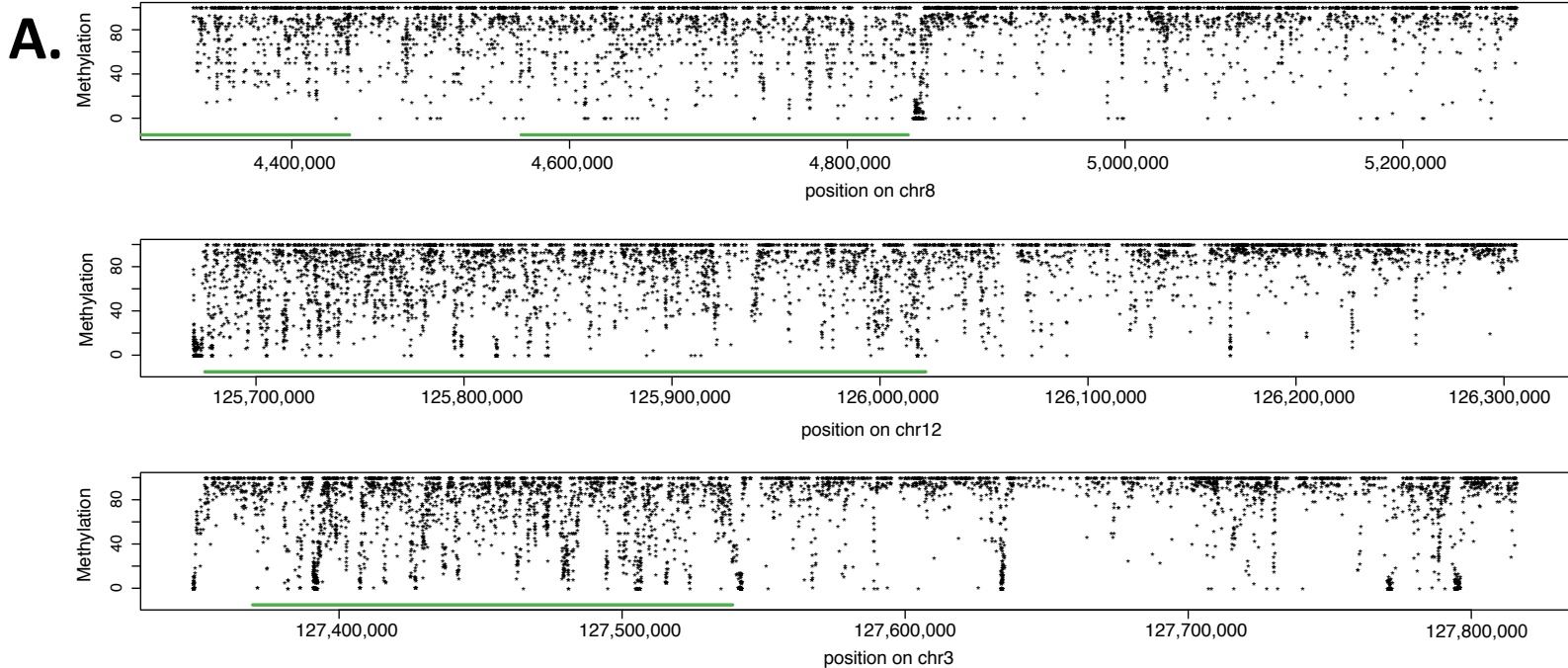


Figure S4: Partially methylated domains (PMDs). **(A)** Example PMDs on chromosomes 8, 12, and 3. PMDs are highlighted in green. **(B)** Roadmap Epigenomics Consortium chromatin state enrichment for PMDs. $\log_2(\text{Coverage Ratio})$ represents the enrichment of the proportion of bases within PMDs in a state compared to the rest of the genome. **(C)** Percent of PMD base-pairs that are replicated in the Lister *et al.* (2013) FANS samples[1]. Rows represent Lister *et al.* (2013) glia and neurons, and columns represent the glia, neurons and prenatal samples from this paper (LIBD). Each bar represents the percent of PMD bases shared between that quadrant's cell types, using either total LIBD or total Lister PMD bases as the denominator. **(D)** Percent of PMD base pairs per sample that are replicated in either common or unique PMDs and high methylated domains (HMDs) identified in Zhou *et al.*[2] Samples are colored based on whether the sample was postnatal neuron, postnatal glia, or bulk prenatal cortex.

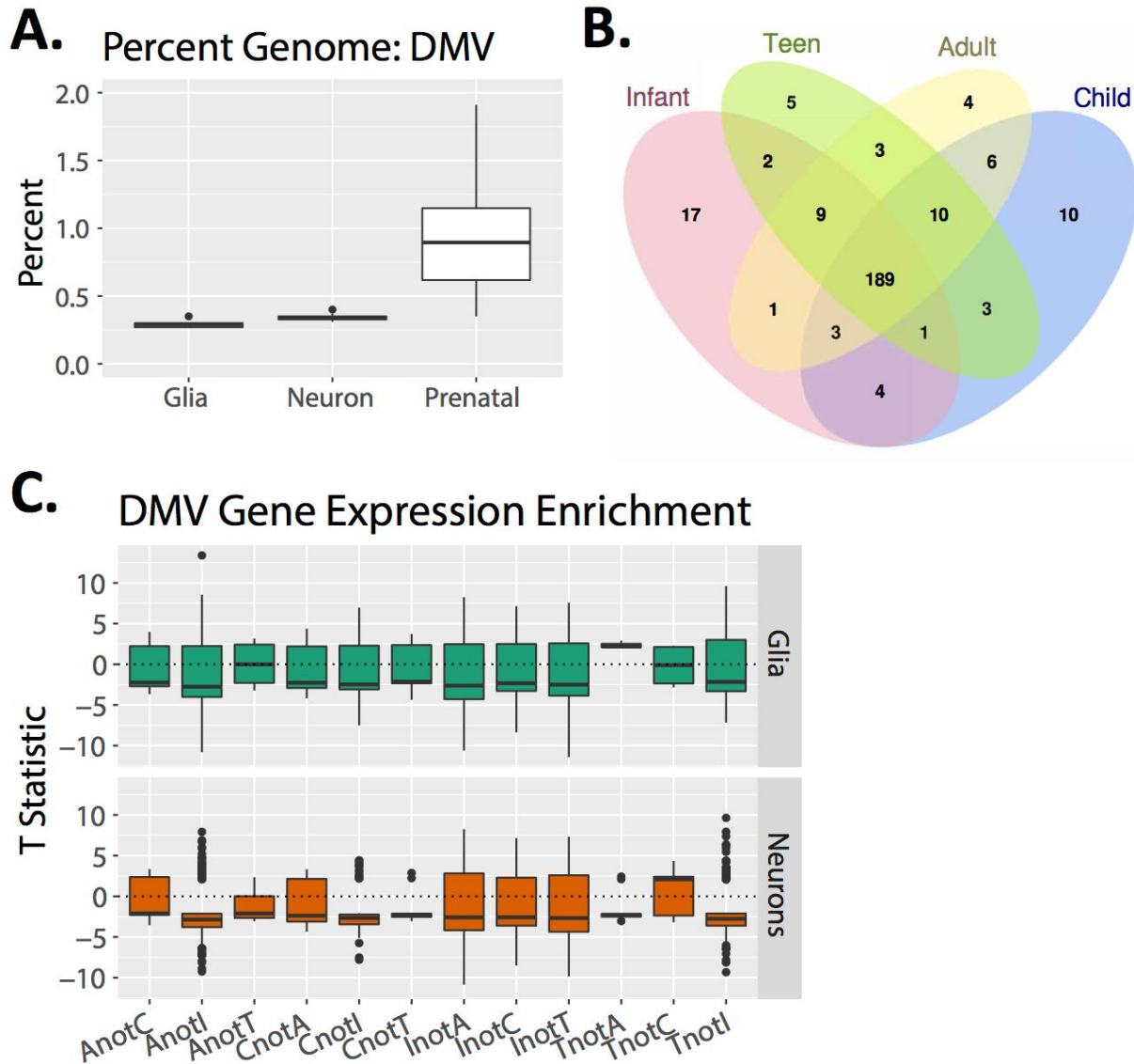


Figure S5: DNA methylation valleys (DMVs). **(A)** Percent of the genome covered by DMVs in postnatal glia and neurons and bulk prenatal cortex. **(B)** Overlap of transcription factor (TF) genes within DMVs by age in neurons. **(C)** Expression enrichment between age groups in TF genes excluded from DMVs in one group but not the other in neurons and glia. A negative T-statistic signifies greater expression in the age group in which the gene is not in a DMV. I=Infant (0-1 years); C=Child (1-10 years), T=Teen (11-17 years) and A=Adult (18+ years).

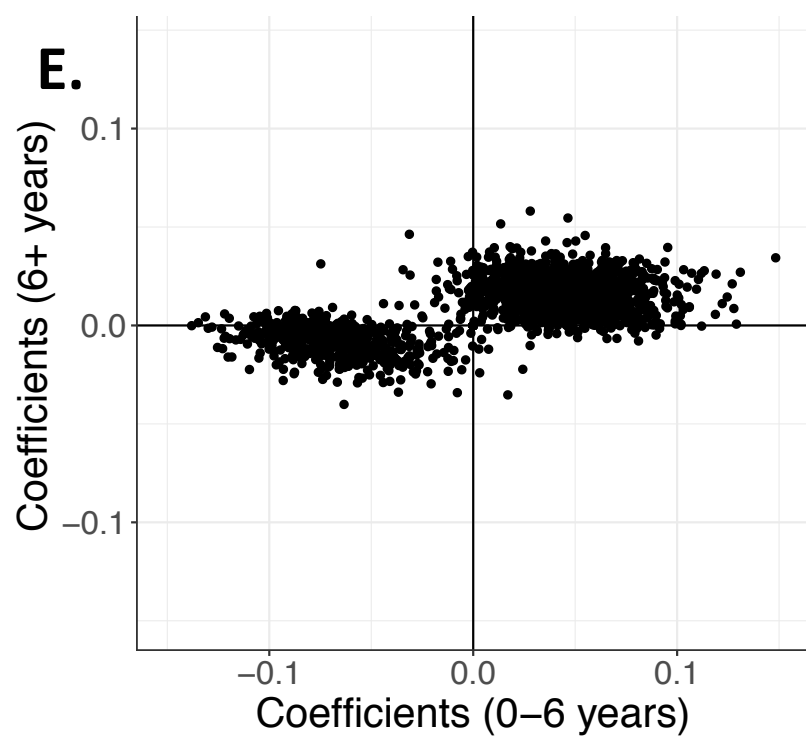
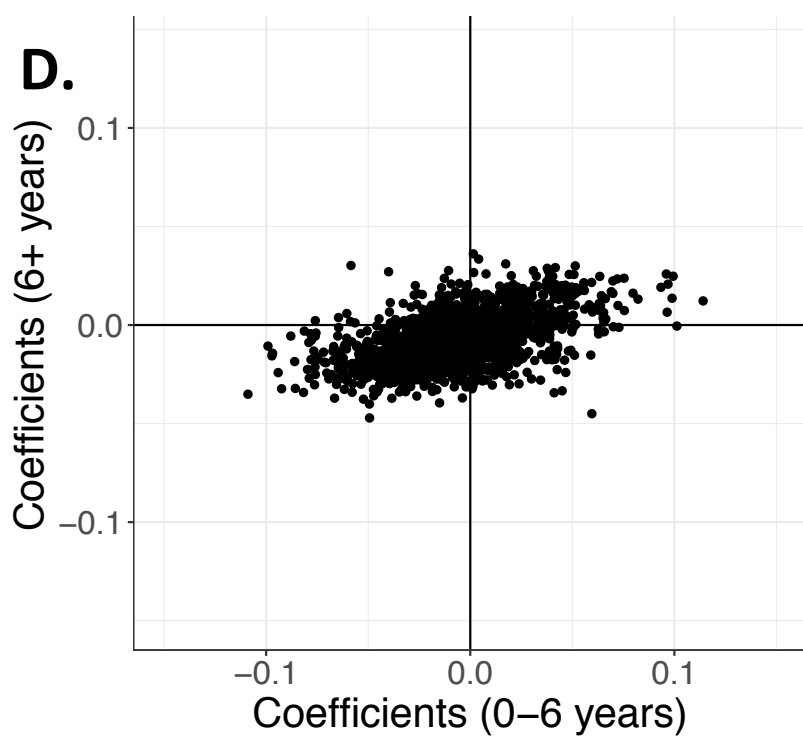
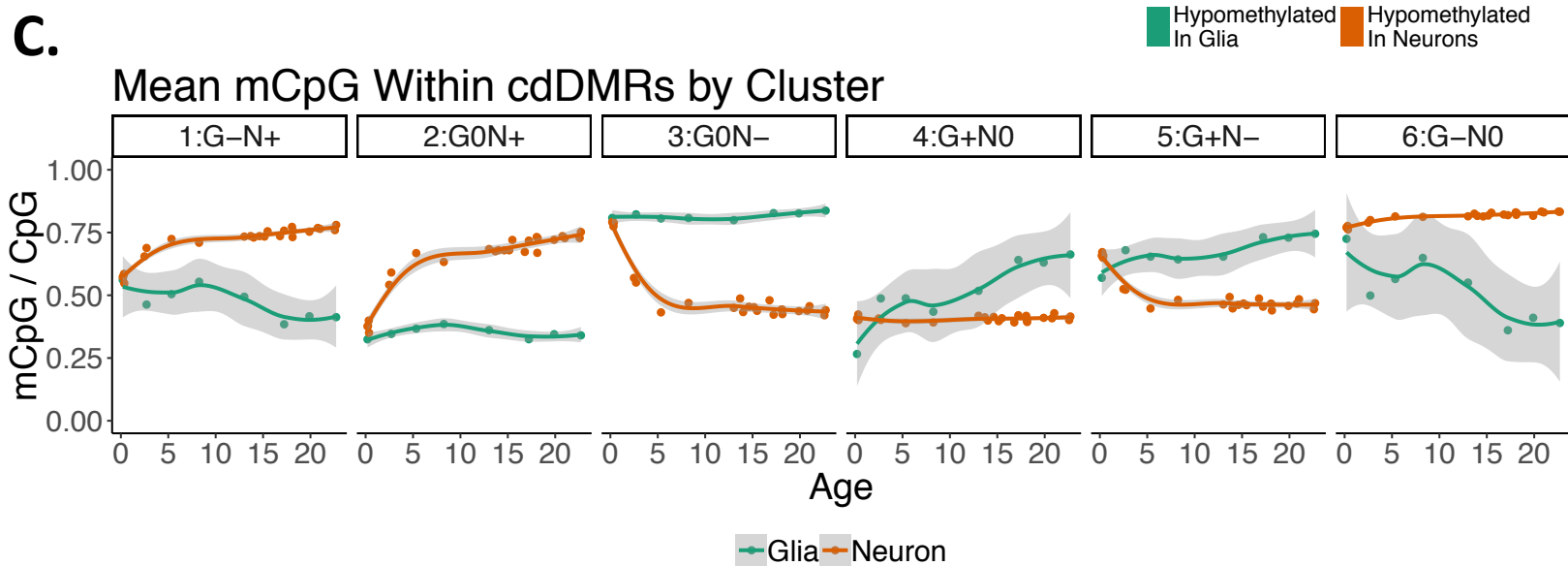
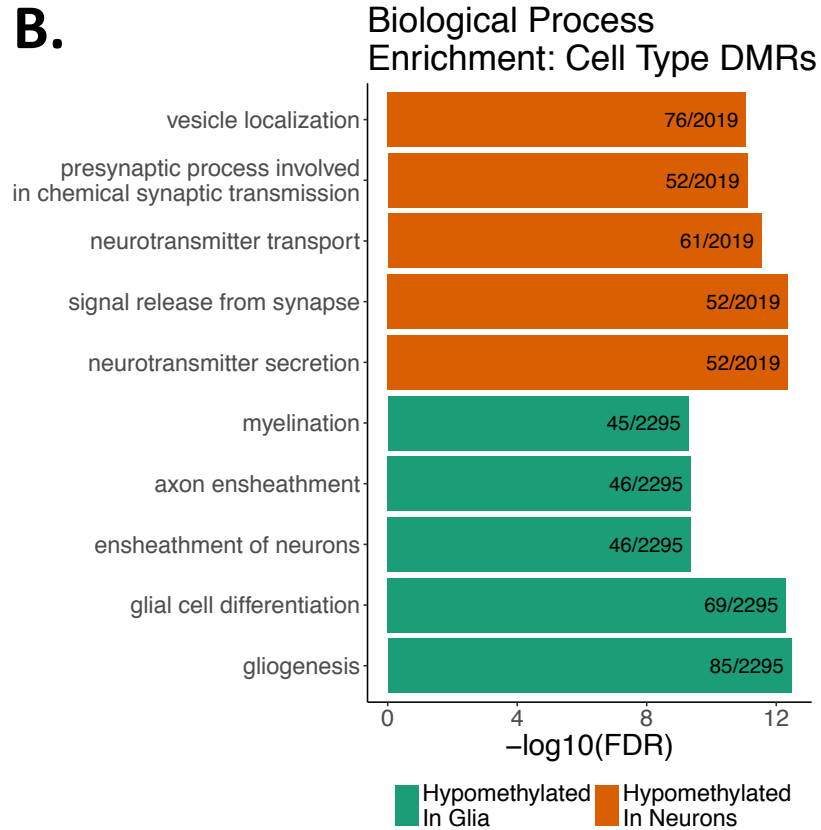
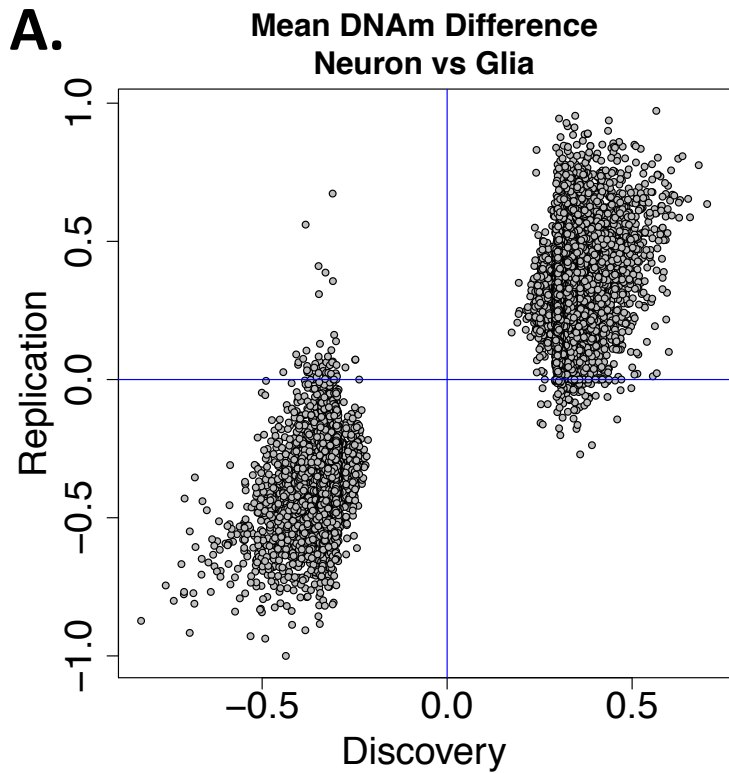
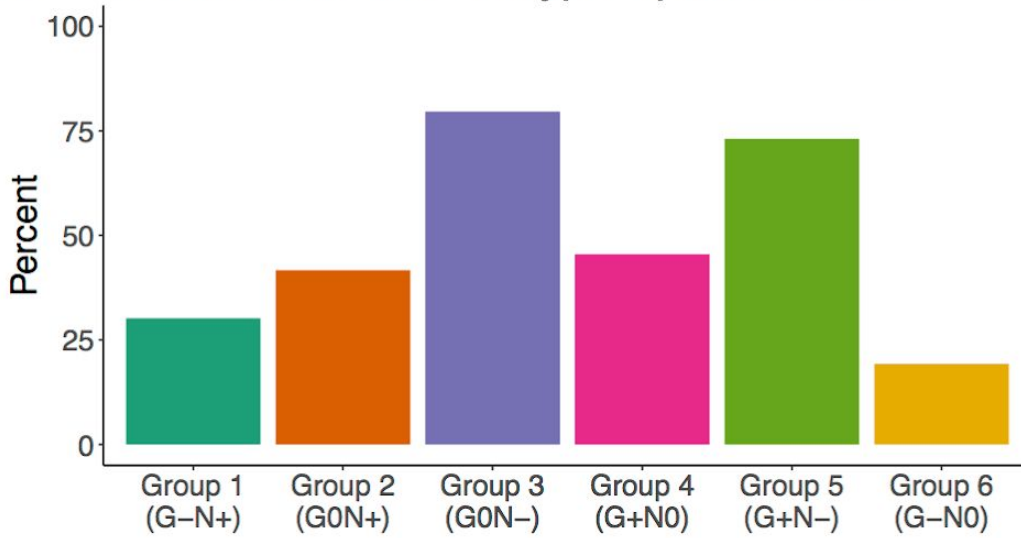


Figure S6: Differentially methylated regions (DMRs). **(A)** Replication of cell type DNAm differences at the CpG level between neurons and glia (NeuN+ and NeuN- samples) in our and Lister *et al.* data[1]. X and Y axes are linear model coefficients. **(B)** Enriched biological process ontology terms in the DMRs by cell type. The number of genes within each ontology group that overlaps a cell type DMR is listed. **(C)** Mean mCpG within the cdDMRs by cluster from **Figure 1B** across development. Loess line and standard error shading are depicted. **(D)** Coefficients of linear regression on the mean mCpG level per cdDMR in glial samples younger than 6 years and older. **(E)** Coefficients of linear regression on the mean mCpG level per cdDMR in neuronal samples younger than 6 years and older.

A. Percent Neuronal Subtype-specific Bases



B. Overlap with DMRs defined in Kozlenkov (2018)

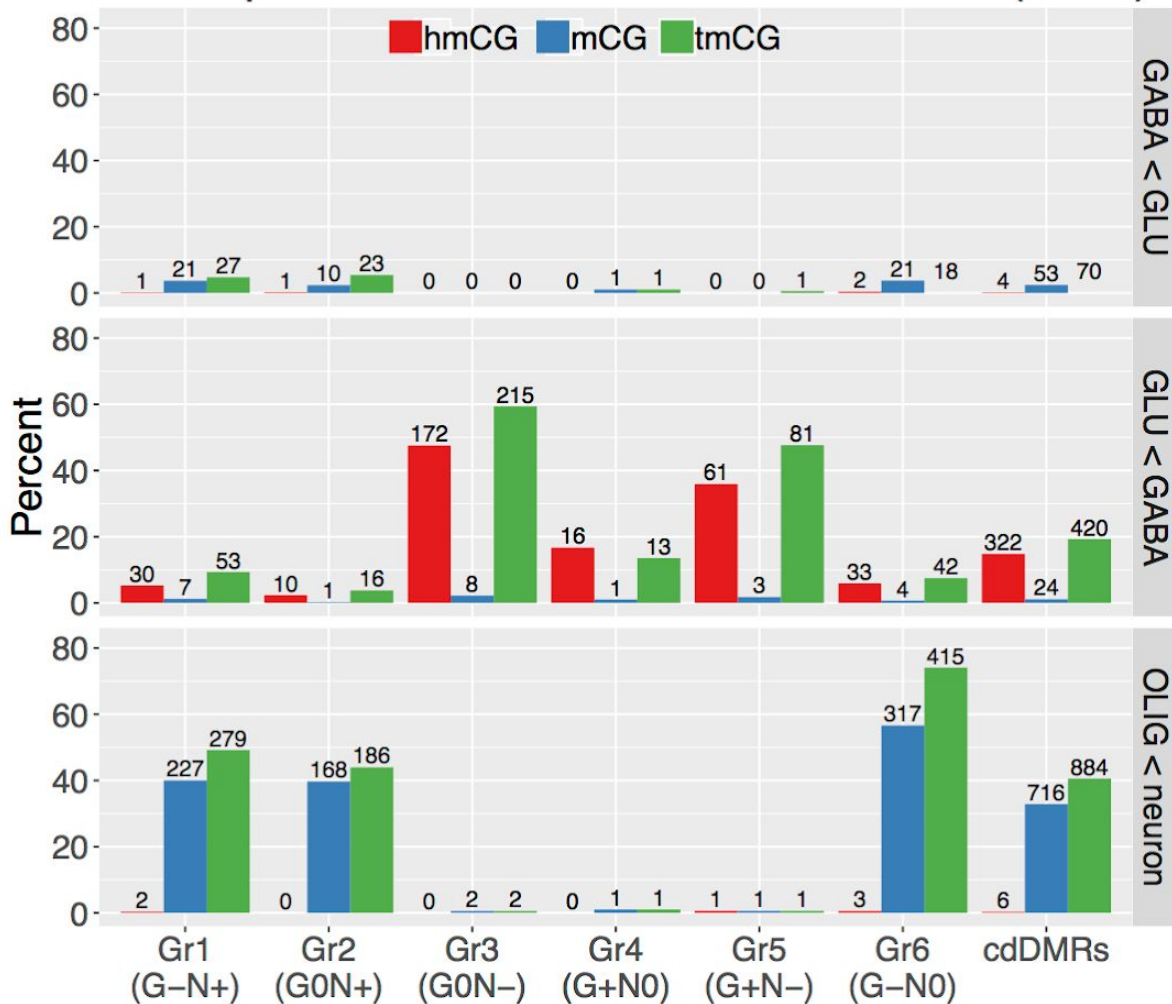
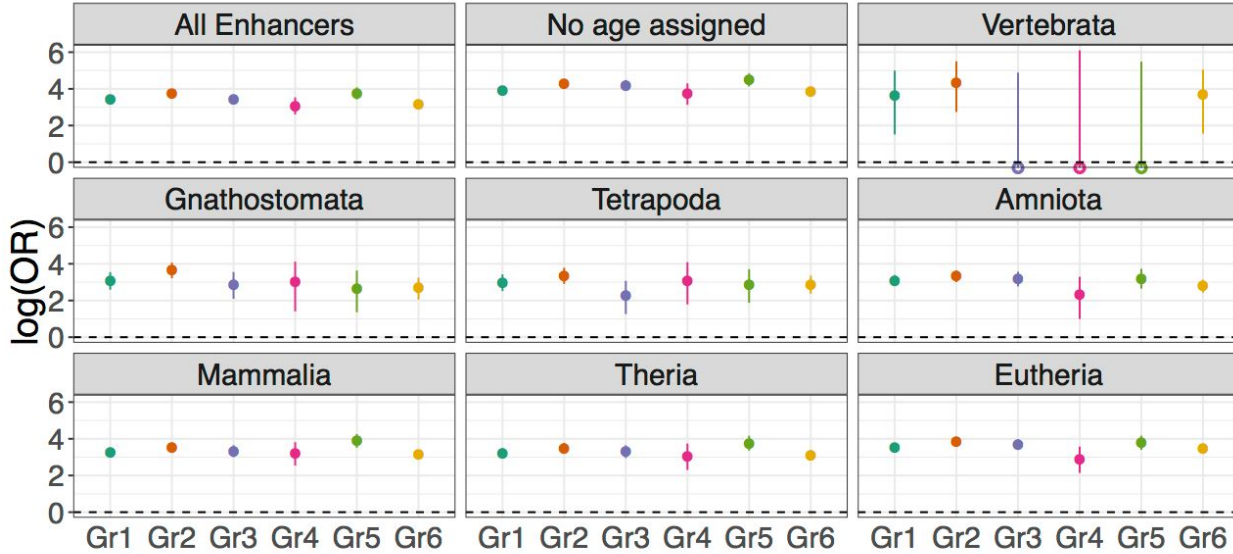


Figure S7: Cell type-specific developmental DMRs and neuronal subtype methylation and hydroxymethylation. **(A)** Percent of bases within each group of cdDMRs as defined in **Figure 1B** that are differentially methylated by neuronal subtypes in Luo *et al.*[3]. **(B)** Percent of cdDMRs within each of the 6 groups as defined in **Figure 1B** that overlap DMRs of methylcytosine (mC captured using oxidative bisulfite sequencing), hydroxymethylcytosine (hmC), or total cytosine methylation (tmC or mC+hmC, captured using standard bisulfite sequencing) as defined by Kozlenkov *et al.*[4]. The plot is stratified by whether the Kozlenkov *et al.* (2018) DMRs are more highly methylated in GABAergic or glutamatergic neurons, or in overall neurons compared to oligodendrocytes. The number of overlapping cdDMRs are listed above each bar.

A. Enrichment for Enhancers



B. Enrichment for HARs

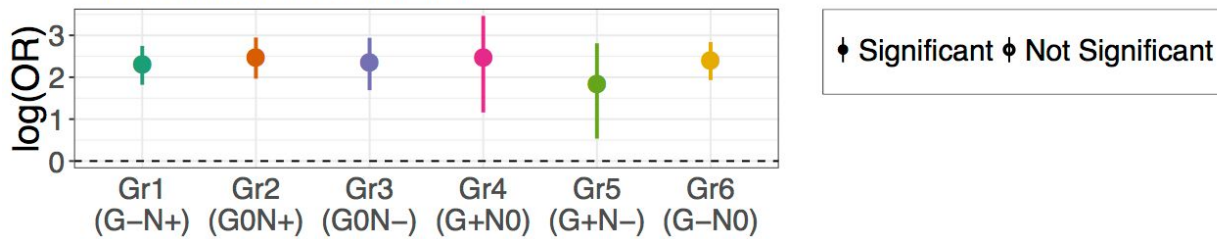
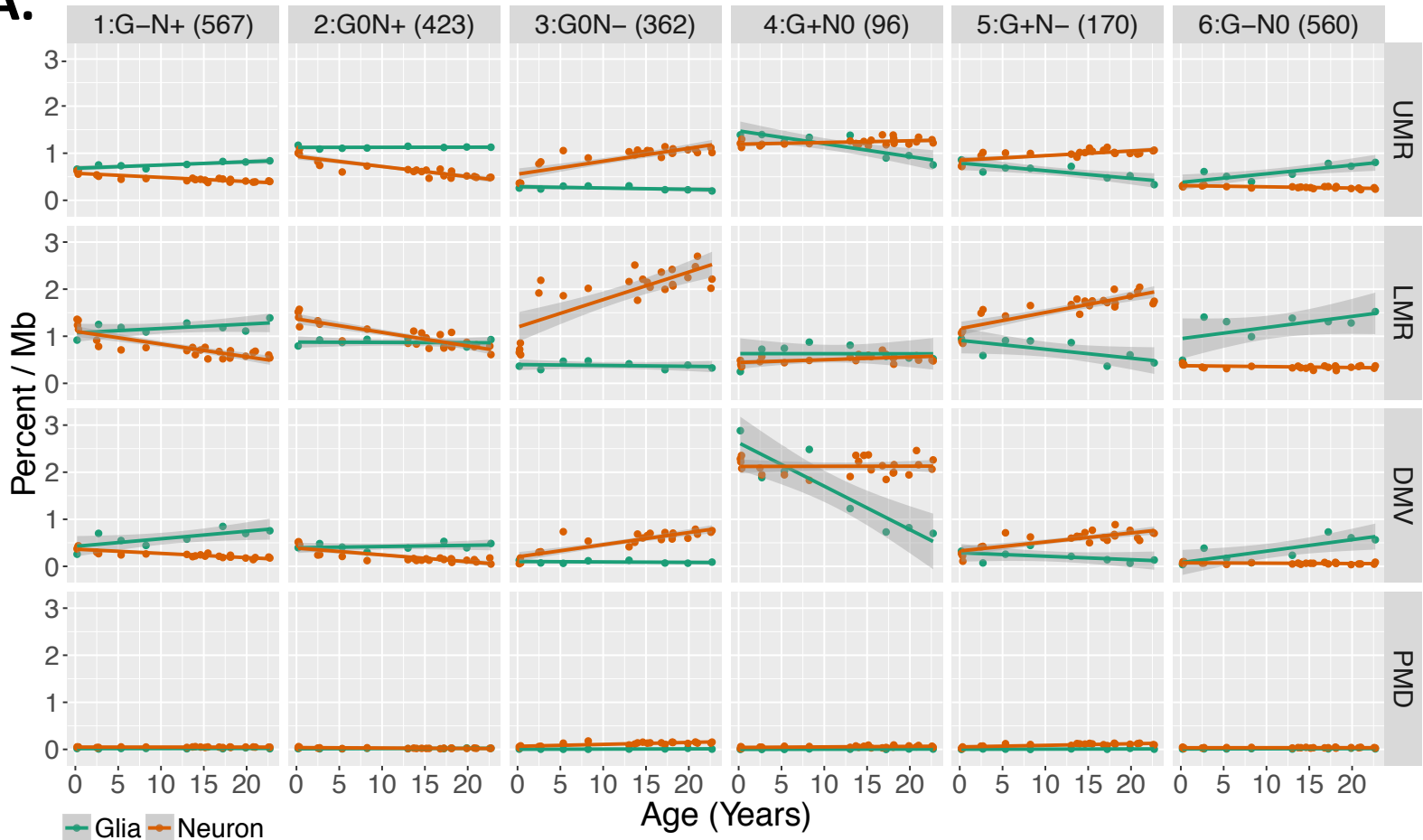


Figure S8: cdDMR overlap of human brain developmental enhancers and Human Accelerated Regions (HARs). (A) Enrichment for enhancers in the six clusters of cdDMRs from **Figure 1B** at the CpG-level. (B) Enrichment for human accelerated regions (HARs) in the six clusters of cdDMRs from **Figure 1B** at the CpG-level. Filled in circles indicate FDR<0.05, and error bars are the 95% confidence interval for the log(odds ratio).

A. Percent cdDMRs Overlapped by Methylation Features



B.

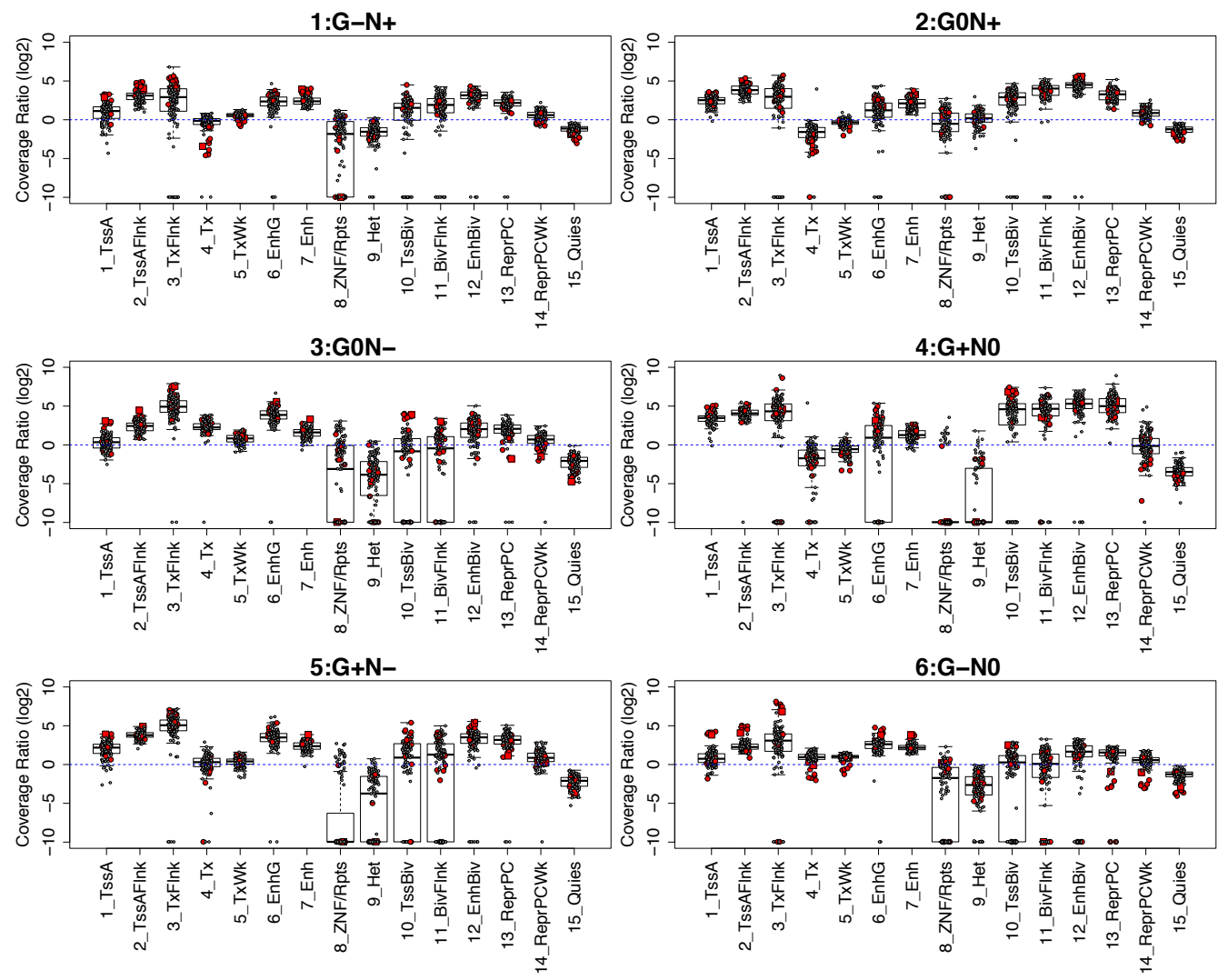
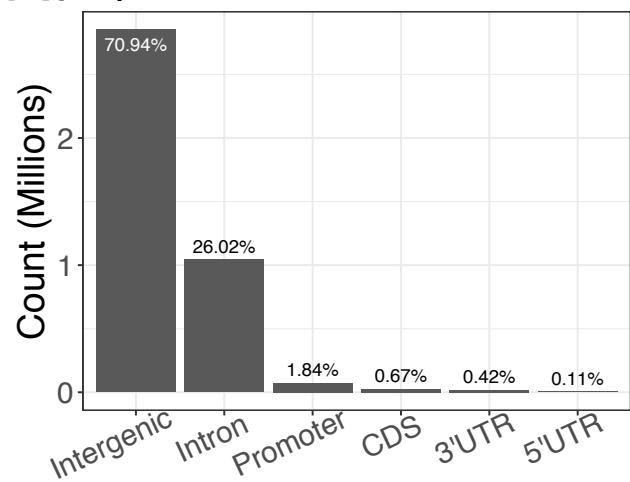


Figure S9: Cell type-specific, developmentally dynamic DMRs (cdDMRs) and epigenetic states. (A)

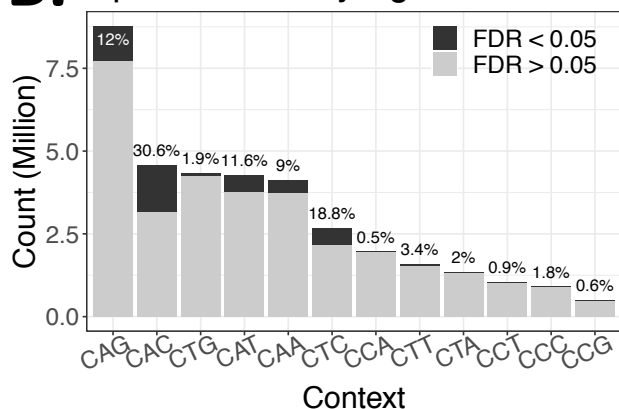
Percent of cdDMRs by the k-mean groups from **Figure 1B** overlapped by UMR, LMR, DMV and PMD sequence across age. Lines show linear regression and shading indicates the standard error.

(B) Roadmap Epigenomics Consortium enriched chromatin states for the six clusters of cdDMRs from **Figure 1B** at the CpG-level. $\log_2(\text{Coverage Ratio})$ represents the enrichment of the proportion of bases within each cdDMR group in a chromatin state compared to the rest of the genome.

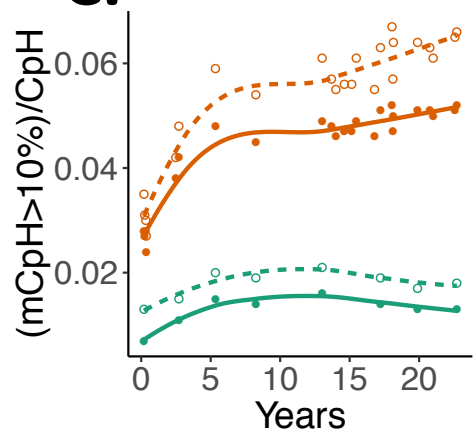
A. CpH annotation: FDR<0.05



B. CpH Context: By Age in Neurons



C.



D. CpH Biological Process Enrichment: By Age in Neurons



Figure S10: CpH methylation distribution, levels and context-specific biological process ontology.

(A) Number of differentially methylated CpHs by cell type (FDR<5%) falling in different genomic annotations across the genome. Annotation was prioritized CDS > 5'UTR > 3'UTR > Intron > Promoter > Intergenic. **(B)** Breakdown of measured CpH by trinucleotide context. Differentially methylated mCpH by age in neurons (FDR<0.05) are colored in dark gray. **(C)** Accumulation of mCpH by trinucleotide context over development, stratified by cell type, where the y-axis reflects the number of CAC or CAG sites with greater than 10% methylation divided by the total number of CpH sites in each sample. This differs from Figure 2A, where the y-axis reflects the number of methylated CAC or CAG sites divided by the number of CpH sites in that trinucleotide **context (ie, either** $(mCAC > 10\%) / (\text{total CAC sites})$ or $(mCAG > 10\%) / (\text{total CAG sites})$). **(D)** The top 20 biological process ontology terms enriched for genes exclusively overlapping CAG and CAC sites with significantly increasing or decreasing methylation levels in neurons over postnatal development (FDR<0.05). That is, decreasing mCAG-overlapping genes shown in **(D)** are those that do not include decreasing mCAC; decreasing mCAC does not include decreasing mCAG; and increasing mCAC does not include increasing mCAG.

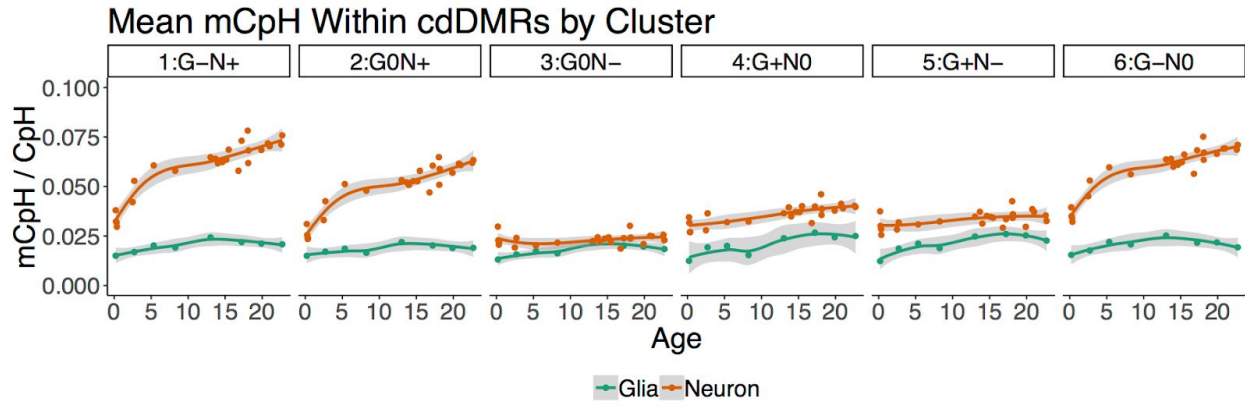
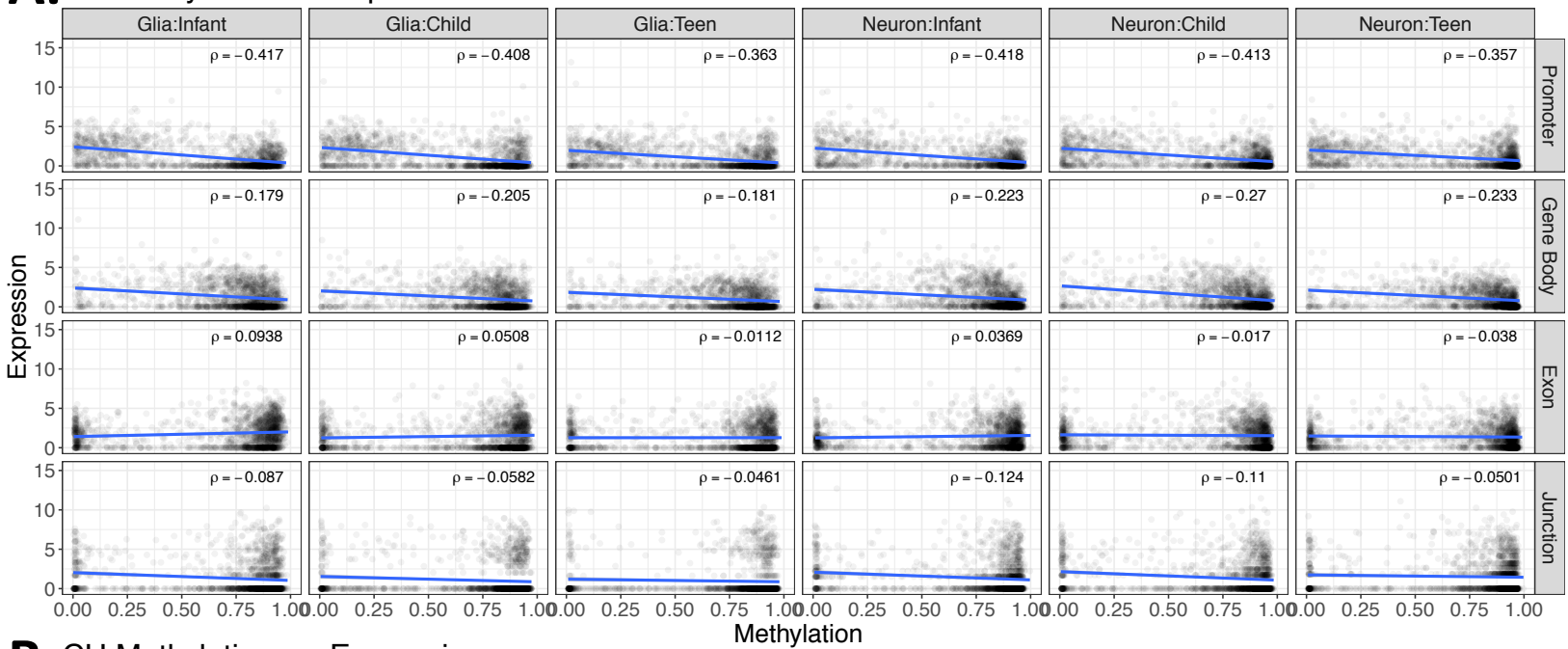
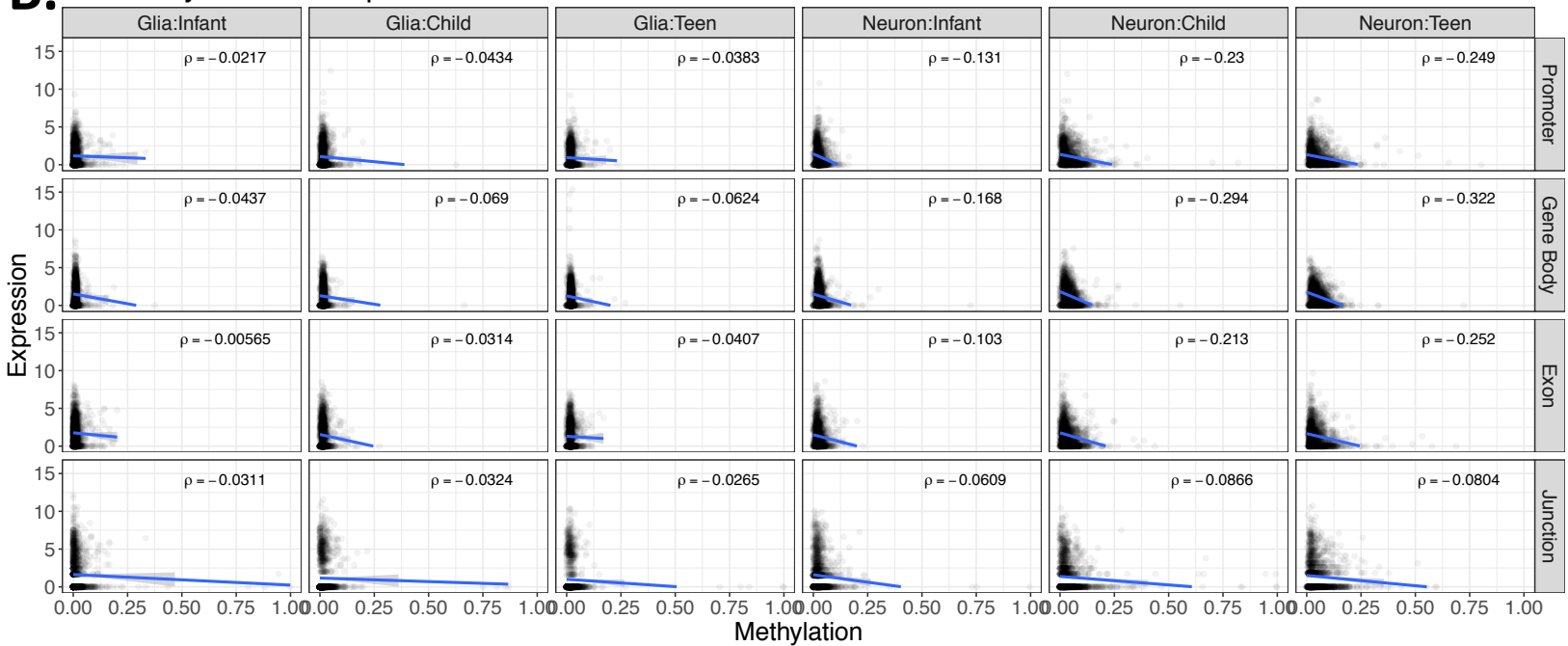
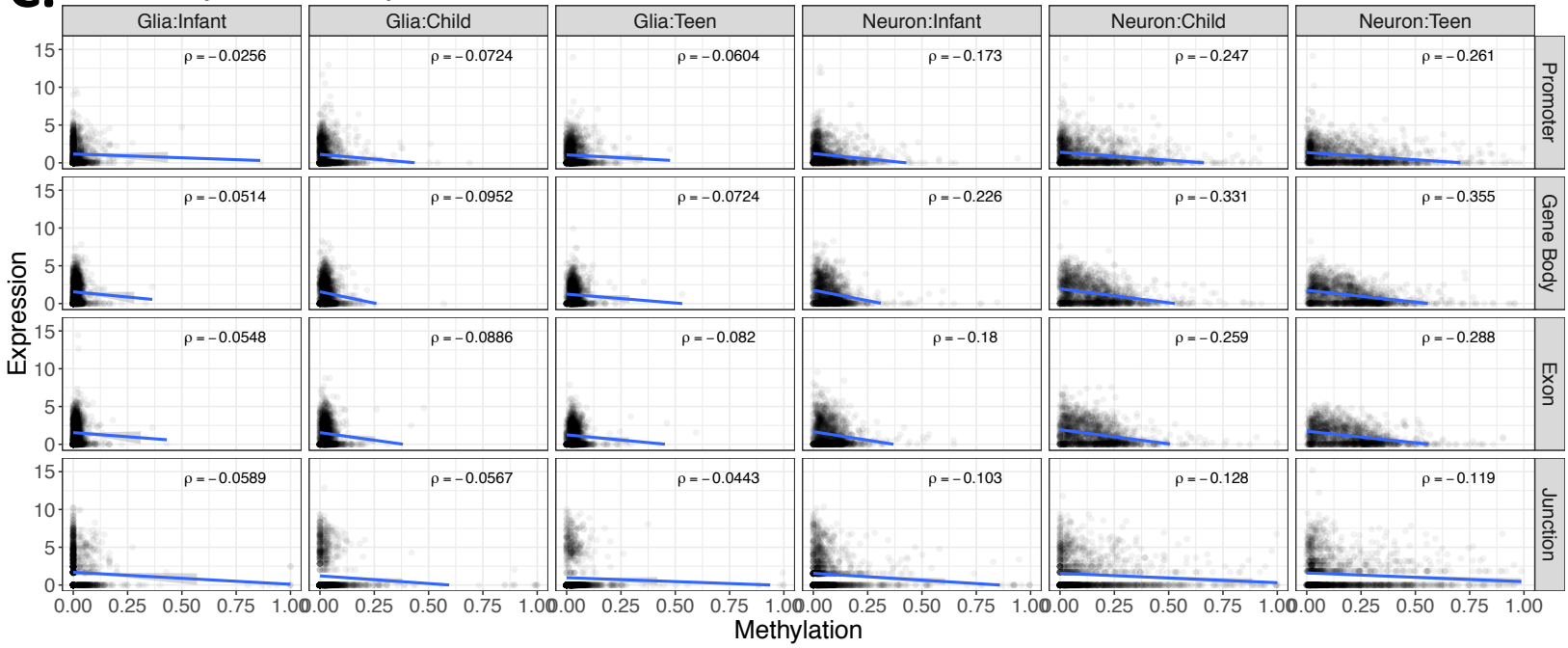
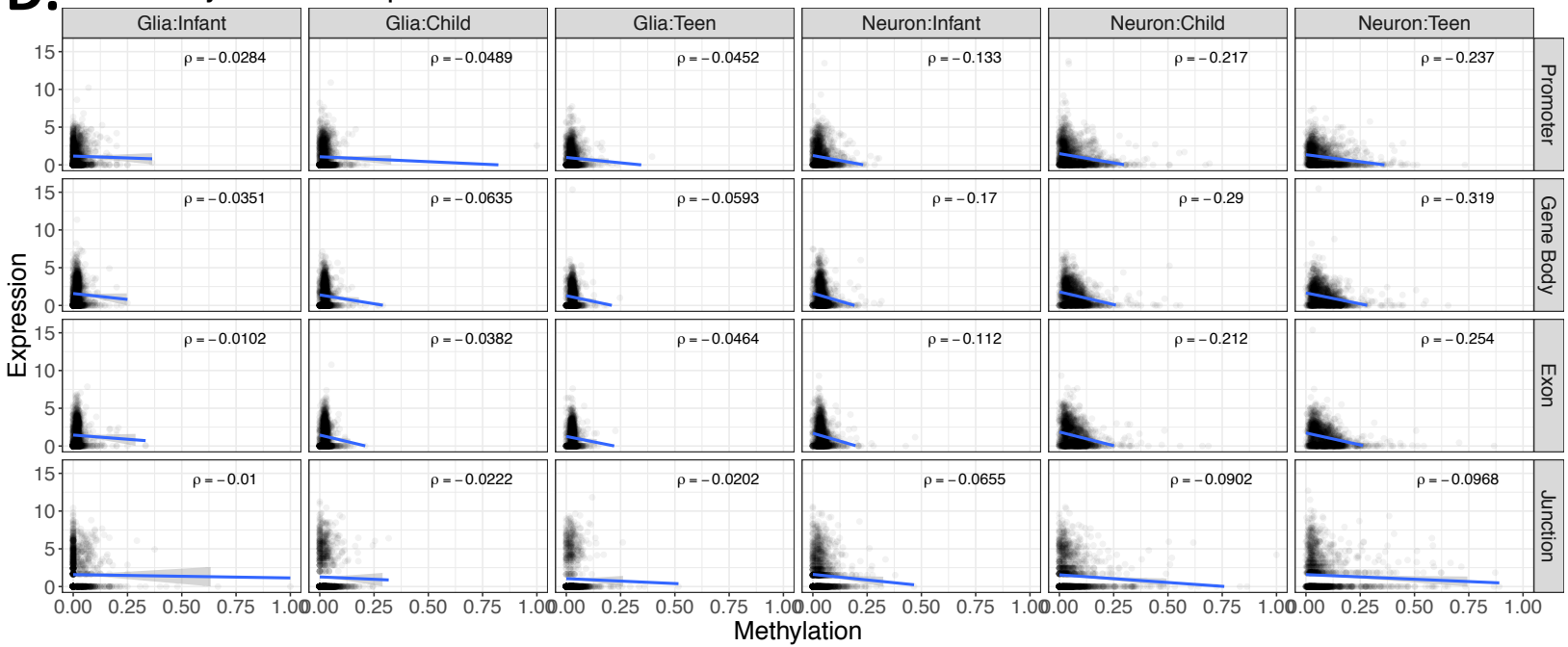


Figure S11: Trajectories of CpH methylation accumulation in cdDMR groups. Mean mCpH within the cdDMRs by cluster from **Figure 1B** across development. Loess line and standard error shading are depicted.

A. CG Methylation vs. Expression**B. CH Methylation vs. Expression****C. CAC Methylation vs. Expression**

D. CAG Methylation vs. Expression



E.

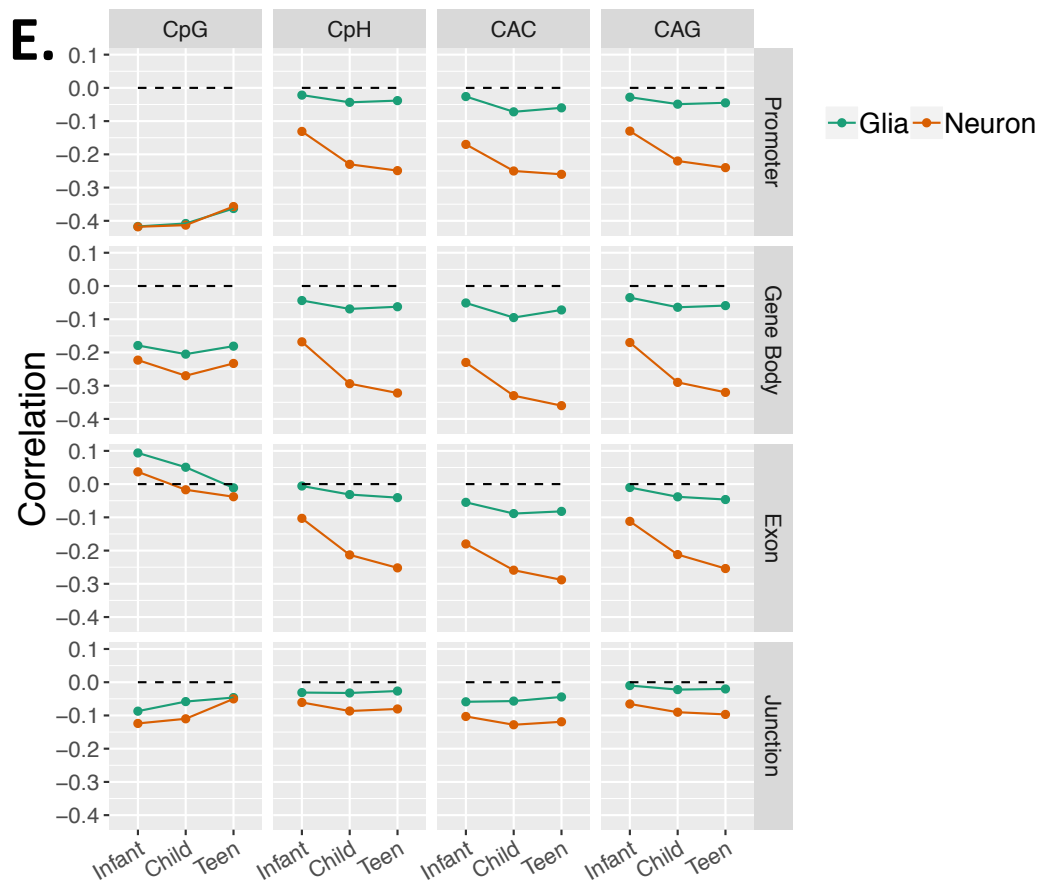


Figure S12: Relationship between methylation and expression. **(A-D)** A random sample of 10,000 expression feature:methylation pairs stratified by age and cell type in columns and feature type in rows. Each dot represents the mean methylation level of **(A)** CpGs, **(B)** CpGs, **(C)** CAGs and **(D)** CAGs within the feature across all samples of that age and cell type on the x-axis and the $\log_2([\text{mean FPKM}]+1)$ for the promoters, gene bodies, and exons and the $\log_2([\text{mean junction-overlapping reads per 10 million mapped reads}]+1)$ for the junctions on the y-axis. 10,000 pairs were chosen to reduce overplotting. Linear regression with shaded standard error and the rho for each correlation is listed for each plot. **(E)** Correlation of feature expression and methylation stratified by cytosine context (columns) and feature type (rows).

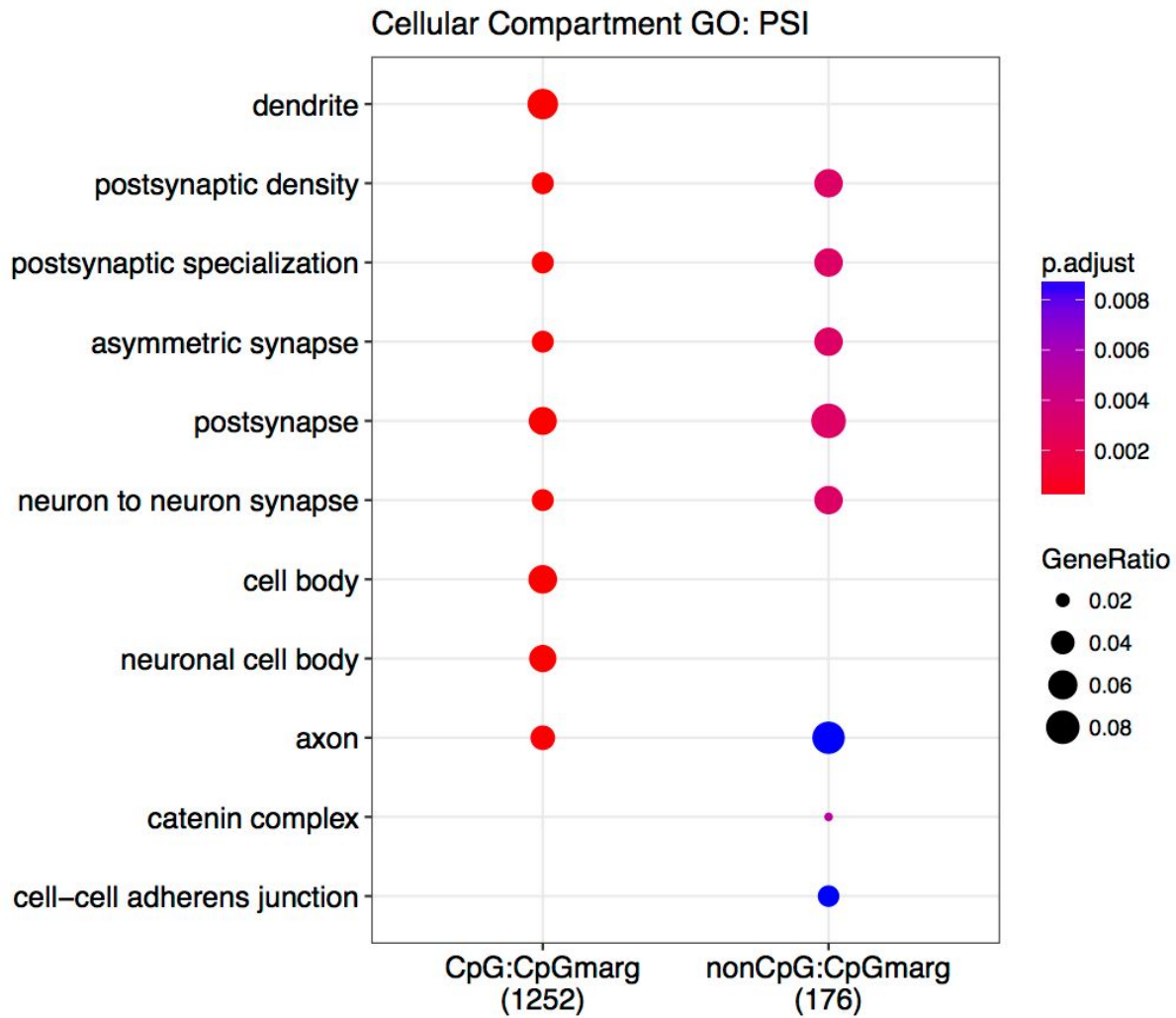


Figure S13: Cellular compartment ontology. Genes containing splicing events as measured by “percent spliced in” (PSI) that are associated with changing CpG and CpH methylation are enriched for cellular compartment gene ontology terms relating to neuronal features.

The following table includes all the CpG and nonCpG associations with nearby features at FDR 5%. The features levels are gene, exon, splicing events that affect percent splicing in (PSI). Any filters applied here affect the results of the methylation summary tab.

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Association details

Here you can explore in further detail a particular methylation and expression association. Choose the feature type, the methylation type (CpG or nonCpG) and select which association id (from column i in previous table) you want to explore.

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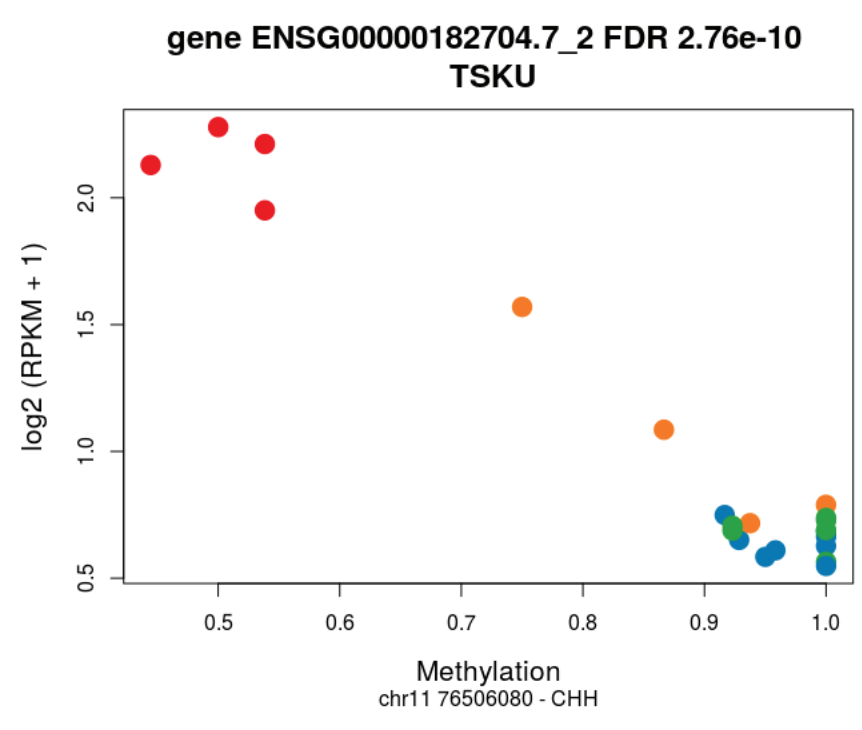
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Methylation vs expression association plot:

Scatter plot comparing methylation vs expression. Samples are colored by age group: Red: infant, orange: child, green: teen, blue: adult. Details in documentation tab.



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Expression feature information

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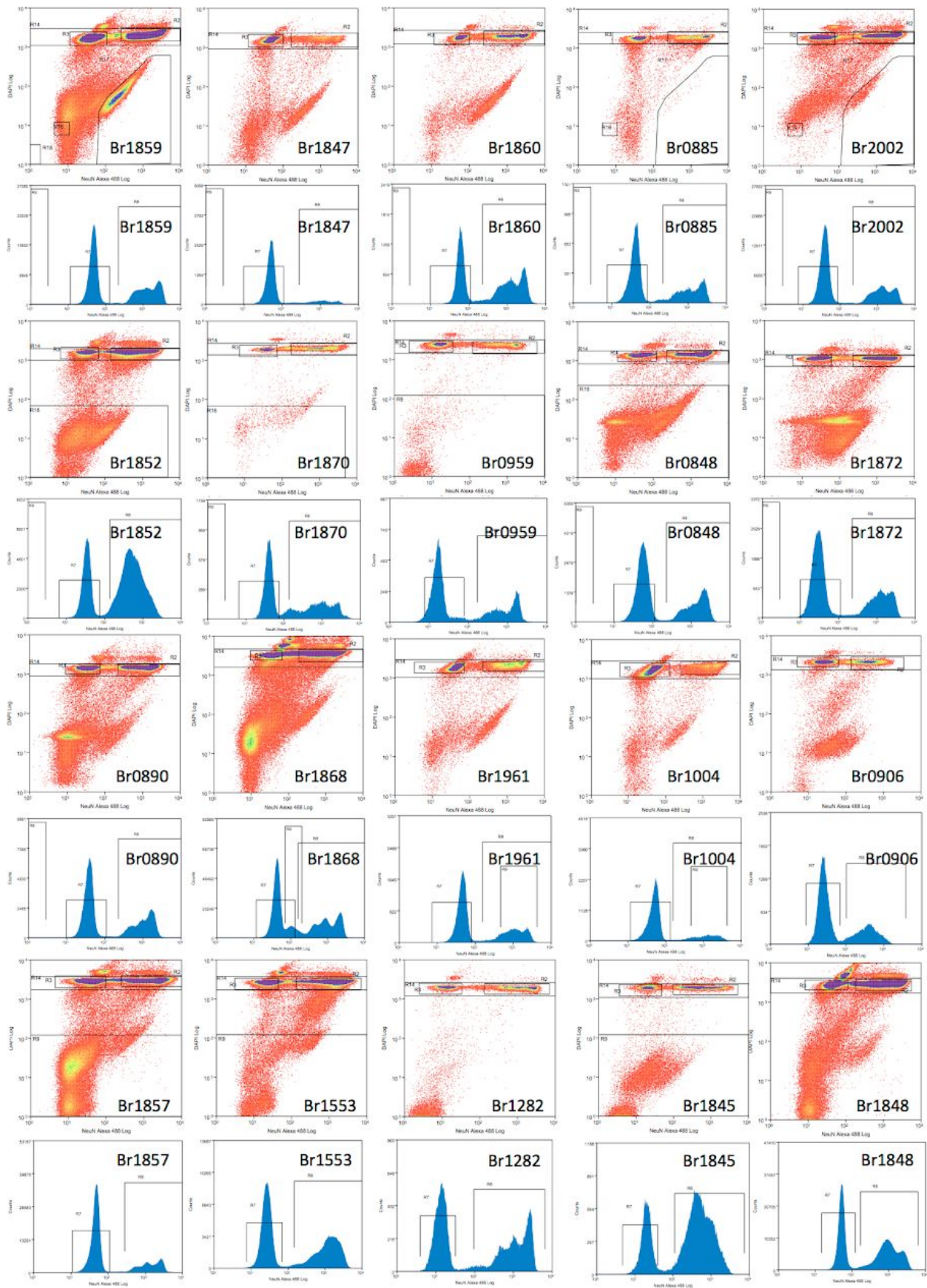
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Figure S14: Web meQTL browser display. Interactive display of the CpHs and CpGs associated with expression at FDR<5% as shown at <https://jhubiostatistics.shinyapps.io/wgbsExprs/>. This screenshot shows the top nonCpG (mCpH) meQTL association at the gene expression level. Information about the gene is shown under *expression feature*, and information of the methylated C is shown under *cytosine*.



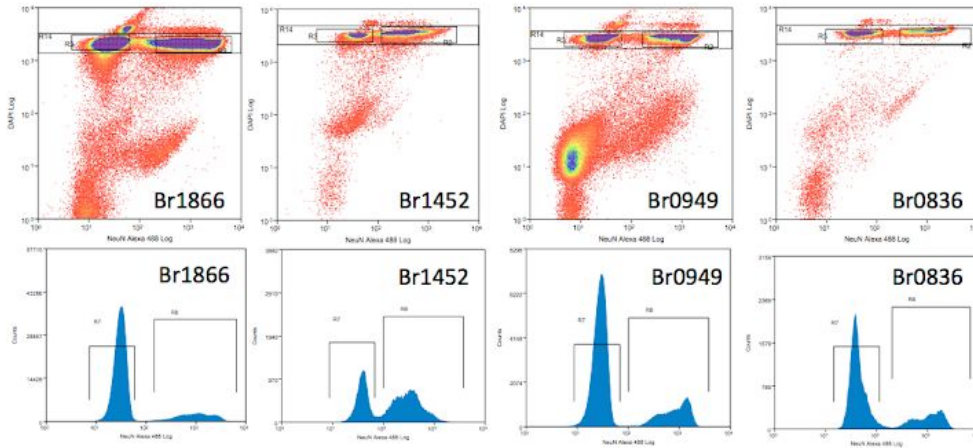


Figure S15: Raw sort data. Raw data collected from the MoFlo Legacy (Beckman Coulter) using Summit (version 4.3) software. The density plots show DAPI signal on the y-axis and Alexa Fluor 488-NeuN signal on the x-axis for events filtered via gates 1-3 as depicted in Figure S1A. The histograms show the distribution of Alexa Fluor 488-NeuN signal after including the gate for singlets based on DAPI signal (gate R14 in the raw data).

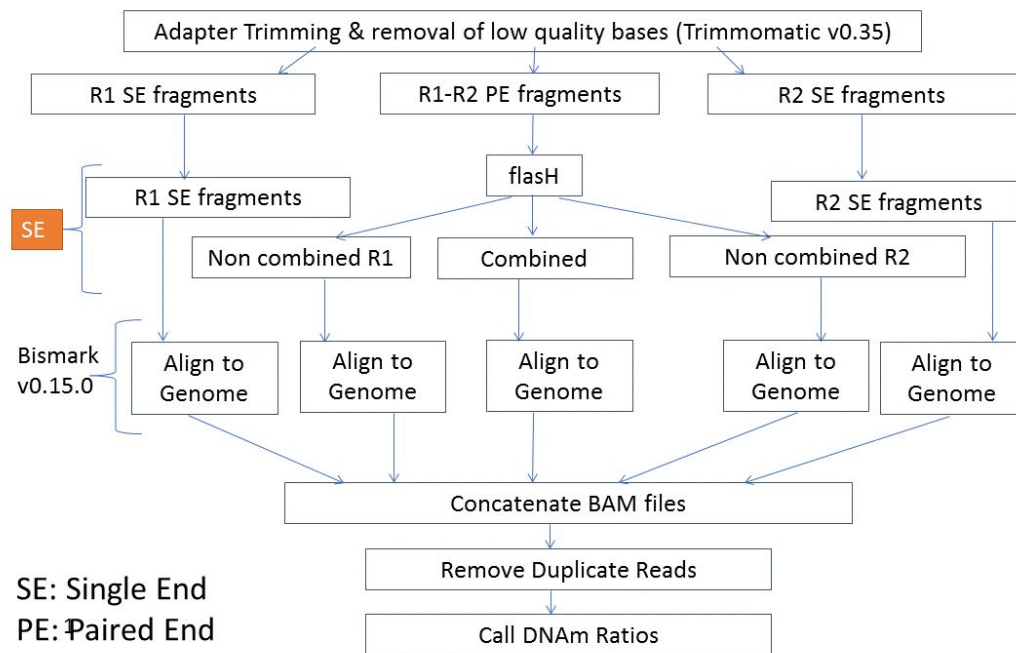


Figure S16: Data processing/alignment pipeline. Overview of the processing steps taken to prepare the WGBS data.

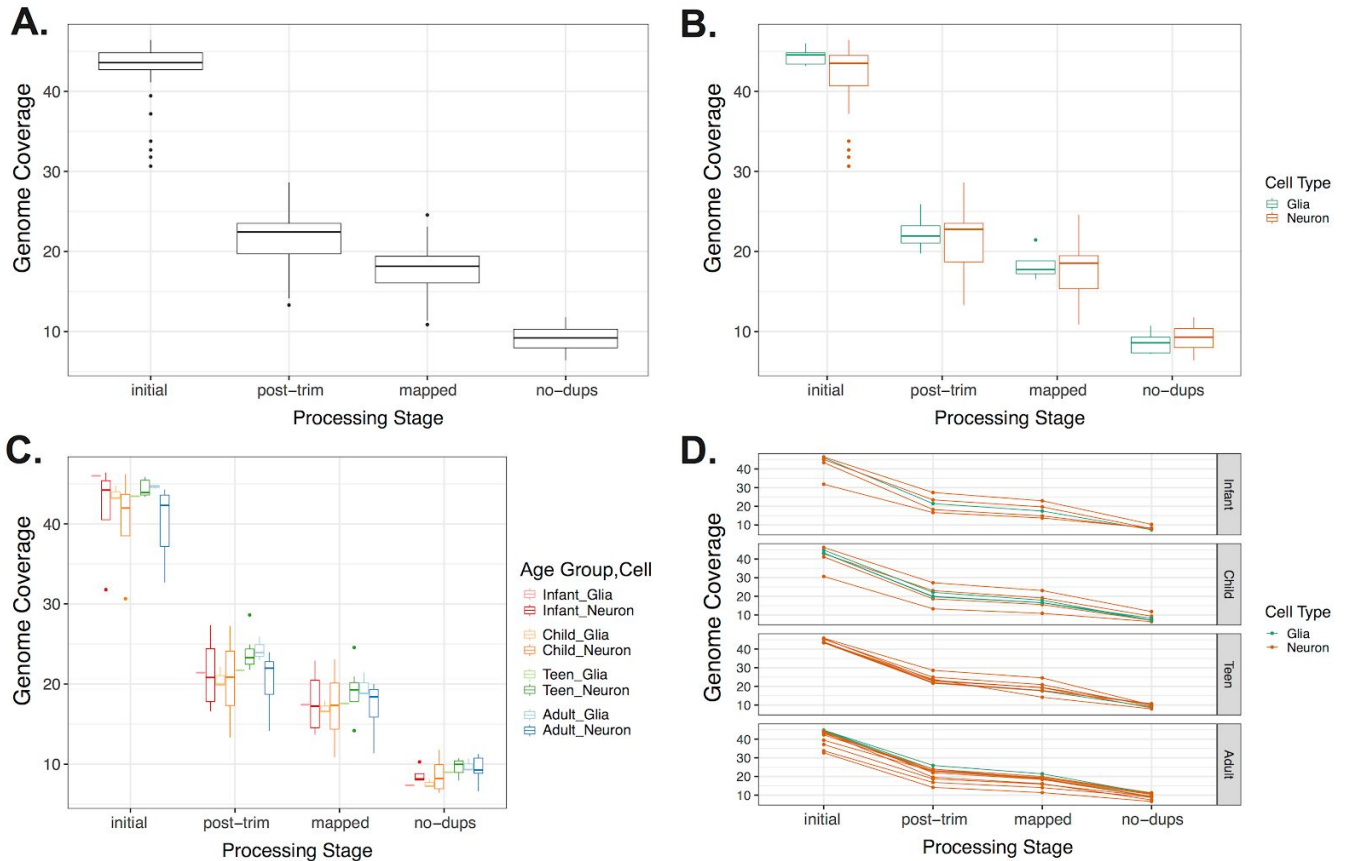


Figure S17: Genome coverage across processing stages. (A) Genome coverage across the four main processing stages: initial FASTQ files, after trimming, after mapping to the genome, and after removing duplicated reads. **(B)** Same as (A) but with samples separated by cell type. **(C)** Genome coverage across cell types and four age categories: infant, child, teen and adult. **(D)** Genome coverage trajectories for each sample separated by age category and colored by cell type.

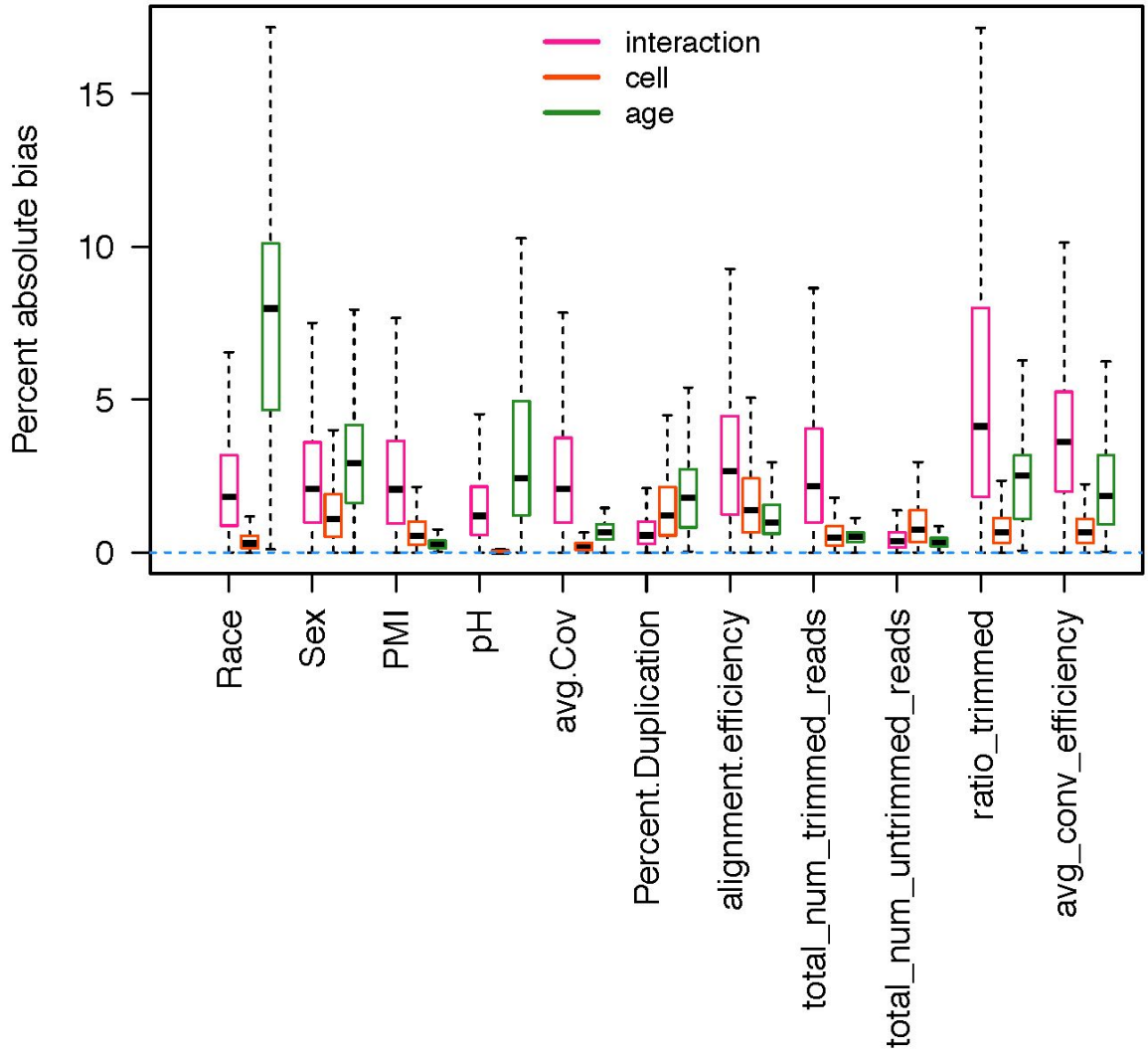


Figure S18: DMR sensitivity analyses. This figure shows the percent absolute bias for the three coefficients of interest used to define the DMRs: age (adjusting for cell type), cell type (adjusting for age), and the interaction between age and cell type. For each DMR type we computed the coefficients after adjusting for each of the covariates in the X-axis (β_{adj}) and computed the percent absolute bias: $100 * |\beta_{adj} - \beta_{original}| / |\beta_{original}|$. All covariates considered show less than 10% absolute bias. The covariates considered are: race, sex, PMI, pH, average coverage, duplication percent, alignment efficiency, total number of trimmed reads, total number of untrimmed reads, ratio of trimmed reads, and average conversion efficiency (lambda).

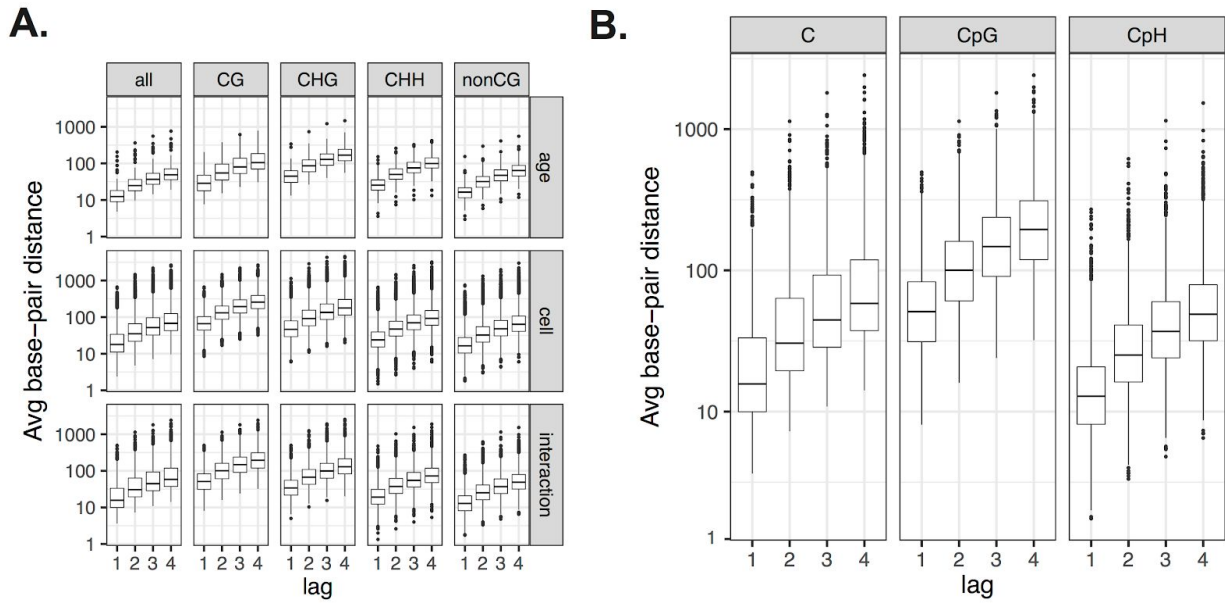


Figure S19: genome distance versus autocorrelation lag. For each of the cytosines considered for the autocorrelation analysis in **Figure 2B**, we computed the genome base-pair distance and averaged it for each group of cytosines. **(A)** Average genomic distance for each of the three DMR models and for various contexts of cytosines. **(B)** Average genome distance for the interaction DMRs (cdDMRs) for all cytosines, CpG and CpH. The genome distance is proportional to the lag. This panel is the exact complement to **Figure 2B**.

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