Supplemental Figures and Legends:



Supplemental Figure 1. Scores on four measures of clinical assessment, Related to Figure 2. A, the Vineland Adaptive Behavior Scales (VABS), **B**, the Social Communication Questionnaire (SCQ), **C**, the SRS-II, and **D**, the Child Behavioral Checklist (CBCL). If a standard curve for neurotypical individuals was available (VABS, SRS-II, and CBCL) it was displayed alongside the binned data for the *DDX3X* participants. The number of individuals for whom data was available for each test is indicated in the title and the graph also indicates the mean for the *DDX3X* cohort. There is a significant difference between *DDX3X* patients and neurotypical controls on all of these measures. For example, the VABS score had a mean of 56.4, which is nearly three standard deviations below the mean for controls (mean = 100).







Supplemental Figure 2. Immunohistochemistry depicting DDX3X embryonic and postnatal expression,

Related to Figure 3. A-D, *In situ* hybridization against *Ddx3x* mRNA in coronal sections in E12.5 (A), E14.5 (B), E18.5 (C), and P2 (D) brains. **E-F**, Immunofluorescence for DDX3X (green) in primary cells isolated from E14.5 cortices co-stained for the neuron marker TUJ1 (red) (**E**) or the progenitor marker Nestin (red) (**F**) and DAPI (blue). **G-K**, Immunohistochemistry on coronal vibratome sections of P5 CD1 brains (n = 4) with antibodies against DDX3X (red) and indicated specific cell type markers NeuN (neurons), GFAP (astrocytes), OLIG2 (oligodendrocytes), IBA1 (microglia) or FOXJ1 (ependymal cells). **L-P**, Low power images (20x) showing regions of the neocortex and corpus callosum where cingulate cortex is to the right. (I) Low power images (60x) for the insets (boxed regions) respectively. Arrow heads represent examples of co-expression. Scale bar = 15 µm (**E,F**); 500 µm (**G-K**);100 µm (**L-P**).



Supplemental Figure 3. Analyses of 3 day *in utero* electroporation of *Ddx3x* gRNA and siRNA, Related to Figure 3. A-C, Validation of *Ddx3x* sgRNA efficacy in Neuro2A cells assessed by depletion of mRNA and protein levels 3 days after transfection. Approximately 60% of cells were transfected. **A**, qPCR of *Ddx3x* mRNA in exons 5-6 normalized to *Actb* (n=3 biological replicates/condition, Student's t-test p=0.038). **B**, Representative western blot of Neuro2A cells treated with no sgRNA or *Ddx3x* sgRNA and probed for DDX3X and Tubulin. **C**, Quantification of western blots by densitometry, following normalization to Tubulin (n=3 biological

replicates/condition, Student's t-test, p=0.032). D, Representative magnified images of E17.5 brains in utero electroporated at E14.5 with pCAG-GFP and pX330-Cas9 no sgRNA or pX330-Cas9 Ddx3x sgRNA. Sections were stained with anti-GFP antibody (green) and anti-DDX3X antibody (white or red) to quantify DDX3X knockdown. E, Quantification of DDX3X protein knockdown assessed by change in fluorescence intensity in GFP+ cells (n=4 embryos (no gRNA) or 6 embryos (Ddx3x gRNA) with 2-3 slides/brain and 40 cells/slide). F, Representative magnified images of E17.5 brains in utero electroporated at E14.5 with pCAG-GFP and pX330-Cas9 no sgRNA or pX330-Cas9 Ddx3x sgRNA. Sections were stained with anti-GFP antibody (green). Dotted lines represent ventricular and pial surfaces, and brackets on the right refer to the bins. G, Quantitation of distribution of GFP-positive cells in five evenly spaced bins with Bin1 at the ventricle and Bin5 at the pia (n=4 embryos (no gRNA) or 7 embryos (Ddx3x gRNA), Two-way ANOVA (Sidak's) p<0.0001(Bin1); 0.0205(Bin2); >0.9999(Bin3); 0.0244(Bin4); <0.0001(Bin5)). H, Validation of Ddx3x siRNA efficacy in Neuro2A cells assessed by western blot three days after transfection. Representative western blot for DDX3X and Tubulin I, Quantification of western blots by densitometry, following normalization to Tubulin (n=3 biological replicates, Student's t-test p=0.047). J, Representative coronal sections of E17.5 brains in utero electroporated at E14.5 with pCAG-GFP and scrambled or Ddx3x siRNAs stained with anti-GFP (green). K, Quantification of distribution of GFP-positive cells in five evenly spaced bins (n=8 embryos (scrambled), or 9 embryos (Ddx3x), Two-way ANOVA (Sidak's) p=0.0668(Bin1); 0.4015 (Bin2); 0.9999(Bin3); 0.8320(Bin4); 0.0076(Bin5)). Scale bars: 15 µm (**D**); 50 μm (**F**,**J**). Error bars = standard deviation. *p≤0.05, **p≤0.01, *** p≤0.001, ****p≤0.0001.



Supplemental Figure 4. Neuron-specific depletion of *Ddx3x* does not significantly impact neuronal migration, Related to Figure 4. A, Representative coronal sections of P2 brains *in utero* co-electroporated at E14.5 with *pDcx*-mCherry and either pX330-*Dcx*-Cas9 or pX330-*Dcx*-Cas9 plus *Ddx3x* sgRNA. Sections were stained with anti-RFP antibody (red). Dotted lines represent ventricular and pial surfaces, and brackets on the right refer to the bins. **B**, Quantitation of distribution of RFP-positive cells in five evenly spaced bins with Bin1 at the ventricle and Bin5 at the pia (n=2 embryos, no gRNA; 5 embryos, *Ddx3x* gRNA), Two-way ANOVA (Sidak's) p=0.9999(Bin1); 0.9997 (Bin2); 0.4056(Bin3); 0.8514(Bin4); 0.8951(Bin5). Scale bar: 50 µm. Error bars = standard deviation.



Supplemental Figure 5. Impact of *Ddx3x* depletion in the developing cortex upon Wnt signaling, Related to Figure 4. A, RT-qPCR analysis of Wnt signaling targets in Neuro2A cells treated with scrambled or Ddx3x siRNAs (n=3 biological replicates). **B**, RT-qPCR analysis of Wnt signaling targets in FACS isolated GFP+ cells from E15.5 embryos electroporated at E13.5 with pCAG-GFP and pX330-Cas9 no sgRNA (n= 5 embryos) or pX330-Cas9 Ddx3x sgRNA (n= 4 embryos).C, Representative images of coronal sections of E17.5 brains in utero electroporated at E14.5 with pCAG-mCherry, TCF/LEF-H2B:GFP, and scrambled or Ddx3x siRNAs. Sections were stained with anti-RFP (red) and anti-GFP (green). D, Quantification of percentage of RFP+ cells also positive for TCF/LEF H2B:GFP (n=5 embryos (scrambled) or 6 embryos (Ddx3x), Student's t-test p=0.9045). Scale bars: 50 μ m (**C**). Error bars = standard deviation.

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Supplemental Figure 6. Ddx3x missense mutations or reduced expression does not globally impair

translation, Related to Figures 6 and 7. A, RT-qPCR validation of Ddx3x knockdown in Neuro2A cells transfected with scrambled or Ddx3x siRNAs (n=3 biological replicates). B, FUNCAT/Click-it assay in Neuro2A cells transfected with GFP and scrambled or Ddx3x siRNAs and subsequently incubated in methionine-free media and supplemented with a methionine analog, L-azidohomoalaine (AHA) or no AHA. C, Quantification of fluorescent-based readout of AHA incorporation in GFP+ Neuro2A cells (N=2 biological replicates with >50 cells per condition; ****p<0.0001 for scrambled and *Ddx3x* siRNAs relative to no AHA). **D**, FUNCAT/Click-it assay (western-based readout) in Neuro2A cells transfected with GFP and scrambled or Ddx3x siRNAs and subsequently incubated in methionine-free media and supplemented with AHA or no AHA or AHA + translation elongation inhibitor, emetine (N=3 biological replicates with 1 representative image shown). E, Protein levels of Neuro2A cells transfected with WT or missense mutant DDX3X. F, Puromycin incorporation assay to monitor translation in primary cortical cells 24 hours after transfection with R475G GFP-DDX3X (green). Puromycin signal (red) is blocked with the translation inhibitor, anisomycin. G, FUNCAT/Click-it assay in Neuro2A cells transfected with GFP and WT or R326H DDX3X subsequently incubated in methionine-free media and supplemented with AHA or no AHA or AHA + translation inhibitor, anisomycin (N=3 biological replicates with 1 representative image shown). H, Quantification of fluorescent-based readout of AHA incorporation in GFP+ Neuro2A cells (N=3 biological replicates with >20 cells per condition). Scale bars= 50 μ m (B); 10 μ m (upper panels, F), 2 µm (lower panels, F); 15 µm (G). Student's unpaired, two-tailed t-test (A) and One-way ANOVA with multiple correction's (Tukey's) (**C**, **H**). Error bars = standard deviation. * $p \le 0.05$, ** $p \le 0.01$, *** $p \le 0.001$, ****p<0.0001. Panels D and E were adjusted with white boxes and rotated to correct for unevenness.