

Table 1. Receptors and proteins mediating receptor-mediated transcytosis (RMT) or carrier-mediated transcytosis (CMT) at the blood-brain barrier.

RMT receptor (class)	Target biology	BBB carriers
Iron transporter		
Transferrin receptor (TFRC)	Transferrin receptor (TfR) is a carrier protein for transferrin. It imports iron into the cell (via a receptor-mediated endocytosis) and is regulated in response to intracellular iron concentration. TfR1/CD71 encoded by TFRC is a transmembrane glycoprotein composed of two disulfide-linked monomers joined by two disulfide bonds. Each monomer binds one holo-transferrin molecule creating an iron-Tf-TfR complex which enters the cell by endocytosis and crosses the BBB by transcytosis.	Various rat-, mouse, and human-specific antibodies against TfR have been engineered as BBB carriers for therapeutic cargos, including bi-specific antibodies [1,2]. An anti-human TfR antibodies have entered Phase 1 clinical trials for brain delivery of A β -binding antibody (Roche) and iduronate-2-sulfatase for patients with Hunter syndrome (JCR Pharmaceuticals Co., Ltd).
Insulin transporters		
Insulin receptor (INSR)	INSR is receptor tyrosine kinase which mediates the pleiotropic actions of insulin. Binding of insulin leads to phosphorylation of several intracellular substrates. Phosphorylation of IRSs proteins leads to the activation of two main signaling pathways: the PI3K-AKT/PKB pathway, which is responsible for most of the metabolic actions of insulin, and the Ras-MAPK pathway involved in control of cell growth and differentiation. In addition to binding insulin, the insulin receptor can bind insulin-like growth factors (IGF1 and IGF2). Insulin receptor is expressed highly in the liver and intestine, and moderately in pancreas and choroid plexus (mice) [3].	A humanized chimeric antibody against insulin receptor is developed by Armagen Inc [4-6] and is in clinical trials as brain delivery 'carrier' for lysosomal enzymes in patients with Hunter and Hurler syndromes [5]. Insulin receptor antibody-enzyme fusions show fast systemic pharmacokinetics and moderate agonistic action on insulin receptor [5].

<p>Insulin Growth Factor 1 Receptor (IGF1R)</p>	<p>IGF1R is receptor tyrosine kinase which mediates actions of insulin-like growth factor 1 (IGF1). IGF1R binds IGF1 with high affinity and IGF2 and insulin (INS) with low affinity. Ligand binding activates the receptor kinase, leading to receptor autophosphorylation, and tyrosine phosphorylation of multiple substrates, and subsequent activation of two main signalling pathways: the PI3K-AKT/PKB pathway and the Ras-MAPK pathway; receptor activation is involved in cell growth and survival control.</p> <p>The transport of circulatory IGF1 across the BBB <i>in vivo</i> is modulated by local neuronal activity [7].</p>	<p>Humanized camelid single-domain antibodies against IGF1R, which do not interfere with IGF1 binding to the receptor have been shown to cross the BBB via receptor-mediated transport [8,9]. Selected IGF1R V_HHs with species cross-reactivity demonstrated a saturable, energy-dependent transport across the human BBB model <i>in vitro</i> and highly enhanced brain and CSF exposure in rats [10].</p>
<p>Insulin-like growth factor 2 receptor (IGF2R)/cation-independent mannose-6-phosphate receptor</p>	<p>The cation-independent mannose-6-phosphate/insulin-like growth factor-II receptor (IGF2R) is a membrane-bound glycoprotein consisting of 15 homologous extracellular repeat domains. The major function of this receptor is trafficking of mannose-6 phosphate (M6P)-containing lysosomal enzymes from the trans-Golgi network to the endosomes and their subsequent transfer to lysosomes. The IGF2R also plays a major role in binding and regulating the circulating and tissue levels of IGF2.</p> <p>The IGF2R gene is developmentally regulated. Evidence suggest that IGF2R is expressed at the BBB in early postnatal life, but is downregulated in adult BBB.</p>	<p>IGF2R is tested as potential ‘shuttle’ for M6P enriched lysosomal enzymes for treating lysosomal storage diseases. Some cross-BBB transport was demonstrated in mice in early postnatal age, but was completely lost in adult mice [11]. Re-induction of IGF2R expression in adult brain vessels was suggested as a strategy to improve enzyme delivery.</p>
<p>Lipid transporters</p>		
<p>Low-density lipoprotein receptor (LDLR)</p>	<p>LDL-R is a mosaic protein of 839 amino acids that mediates the endocytosis of cholesterol-rich LDL. It recognizes apoprotein B100, which is embedded in</p>	<p>Peptide ligands binding to LDLR were identified using phage-display screening approach. Two lead peptides</p>

	the outer phospholipid layer of LDL particles, as well as apoE protein in chylomicron remnants and VLDL remnants (IDL). In humans, the LDL receptor protein is encoded by the <i>LDLR</i> gene and belongs to the Low density lipoprotein receptor gene family [12].	(VH434 and VH4127) have been shown to mediate LDLR-dependent BBB transcytosis [13].
Low-density lipoprotein receptor-related protein 1 (LRP1)	LRP1 is a plasma membrane protein involved in receptor-mediated endocytosis. In humans, the LRP1 protein is encoded by the <i>LRP1</i> gene. LRP1 is also a signalling protein involved in lipoprotein metabolism and cell motility, as well as in neurodegenerative diseases, atherosclerosis, and cancer. LRP-1 binds numerous ligands, including alpha2-macroglobulin, amyloid β , APOE and others.	LRP-1 has been implicated in BBB receptor-mediated transport of melanotransferrin [14] and peptide ligands (Aprotinin, Angiopep2) [15]. Angiochem Inc, a developer of angiopep2-paclitaxel conjugate has initiated Phase III clinical trials for treatment of brain tumors. Antibodies raised against LRP-1 [16] failed to show enhanced brain uptake compared to control antibodies.
Low-density lipoprotein receptor-related protein 8 (LRP8/ApoER2)	LRP8 is a cell surface receptor belonging to the LDL receptor family which participates in endocytosis and signal transduction. It co-localises with the vascular endothelial cell marker CD31/Pecam1 in mouse brain [17]. Through interactions with one of its ligands, reelin, LRP8 plays an important role in embryonic neuronal migration and postnatal long-term potentiation. Decreased expression of LRP8 is associated with certain neurological diseases.	Fluorescence-labeled anti-LRP8 antibody was shown to transport across the BBB into mouse brain [18].
Transmembrane protein 30A (TMEM30A)/CDC 50A/P4 flippase	TMEM30A is a β subunit (transport to plasma membrane) of a catalytic P4-ATPase flippase. P4-ATPase flippase complex catalyzes hydrolysis of ATP coupled to the transport of aminophospholipids from the outer to the inner leaflet of various membranes and ensures the maintenance of asymmetric distribution of phospholipids. Phospholipid translocation has been implicated in	A putative receptor of the BBB-crossing single-domain antibody FC5 [20,21], isolated from llama VhH libraries by function-first panning [22]. FC5 and its humanized variants have been fused with various centrally acting payloads, including neuropeptides and full monoclonal antibodies [23-25].

	vesicle formation and in uptake of lipid signalling molecules [19]	
Solute carriers		
SLC2A1/GLUT1	SLC2A1, also known as glucose transporter 1 (GLUT1), is a uniporter membrane protein encoded by the <i>SLC2A1</i> gene. SLC2A1 facilitates the transport of glucose across the plasma membrane and is among the most abundant genes/proteins expressed at the blood-brain barrier.	An antibody raised against SLC2A1 by Genentech [16] showed a three-fold higher levels in the total brain extracts 1 h after iv administration, compared to control antibody. Glucosylated nanocarrier (micells) was developed to target GLUT1 for delivering siRNA across the mouse BBB [26].
SLC3A2/CD98hc	SLC3A2 comprises the heavy subunit of the large neutral amino acid transporter (CD98hc). SLC3A2 is a transmembrane protein and exists as the heavy chain of a heterodimer, covalently bound through disulfide bonds to one of several possible light chains. It associates with integrins and mediates integrin-dependent signaling related to normal cell growth and tumorigenesis.	Bispecific antibodies targeting CD98hc and BACE1 were developed and shown to have brain exposure and pharmacodynamic effects on A β levels in transgenic mice similar to that achieved by TfR-BACE1 bispecific antibodies [27].
Neuroactive peptide receptors		
Leptin receptor (LEPR)	Leptin receptor is a single-transmembrane domain Type I cytokine receptor that functions as a receptor for the fat cell-specific hormone leptin. The leptin regulates adipose-tissue mass through hypothalamic effects on hunger and energy use.	Leptin-derived peptides bind to leptin receptor and the complex is transported across the BBB [25]. A leptin-derived peptide was used to modify pegylated nanoparticles carrying DNA plasmid, resulting in high efficiency of gene delivery into the brain [28]

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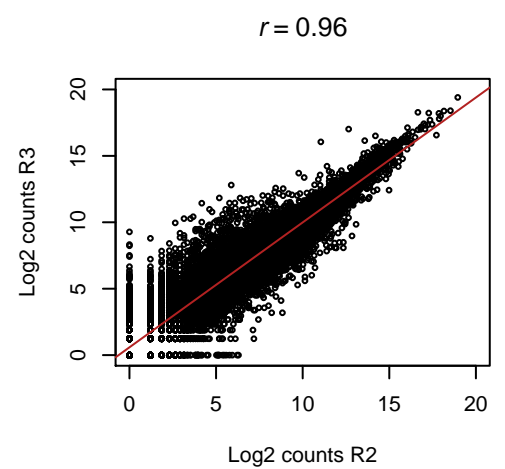
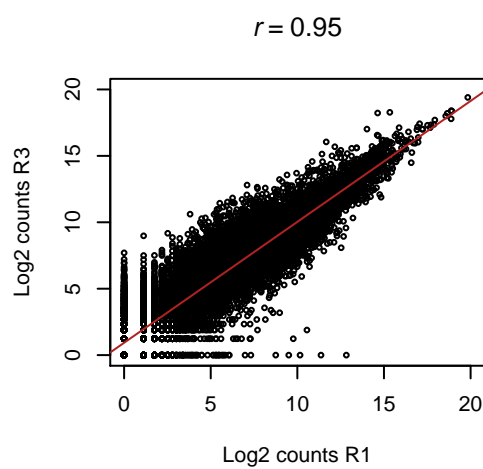
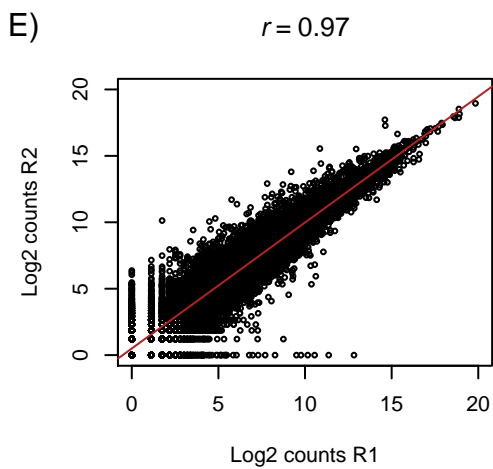
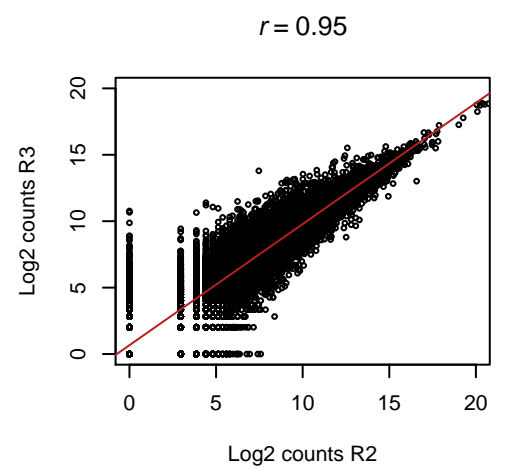
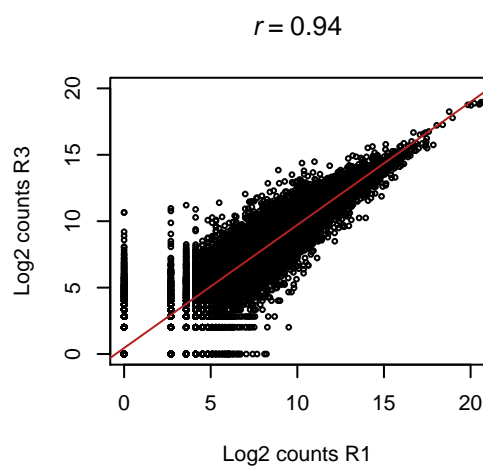
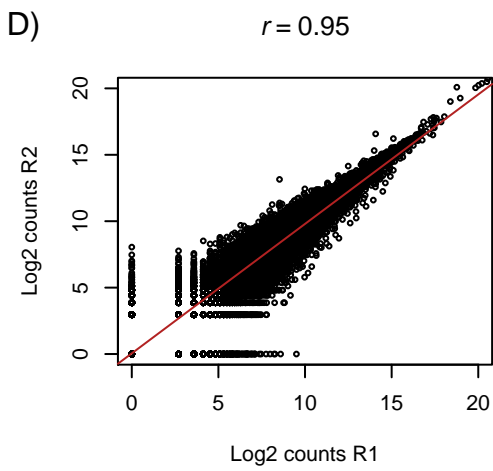
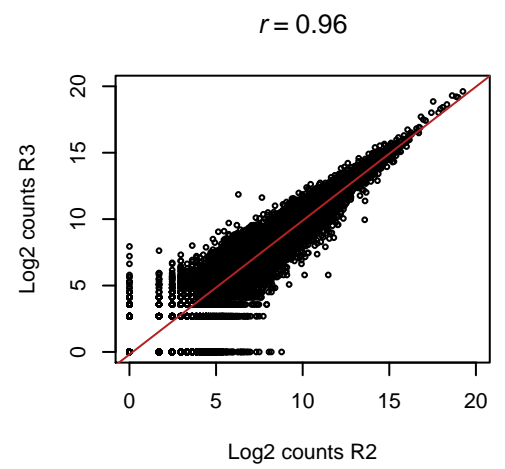
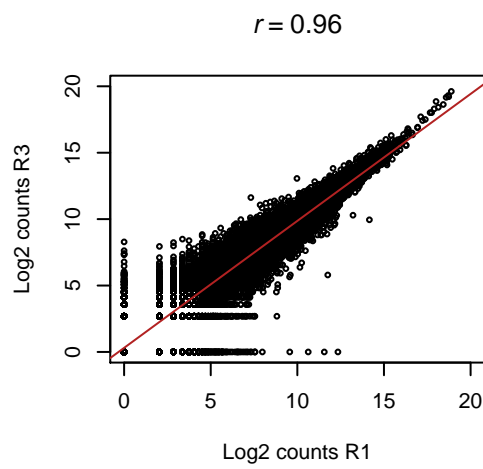
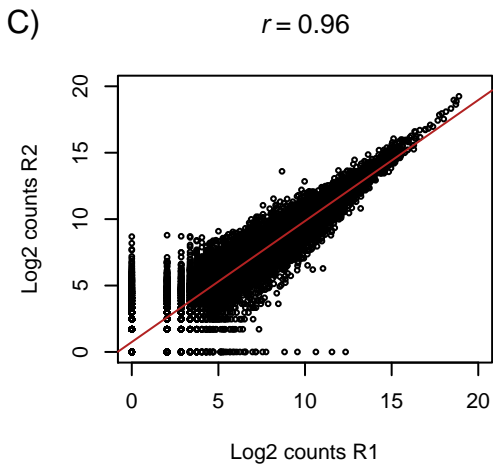
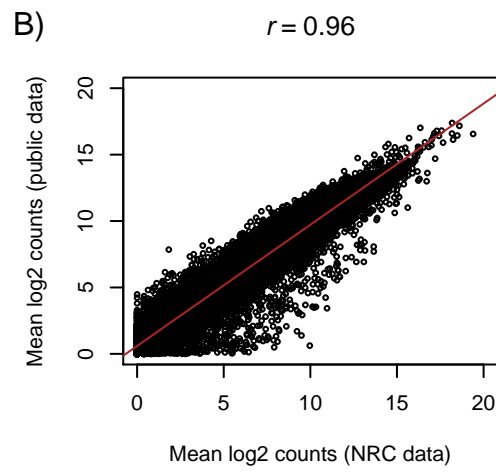
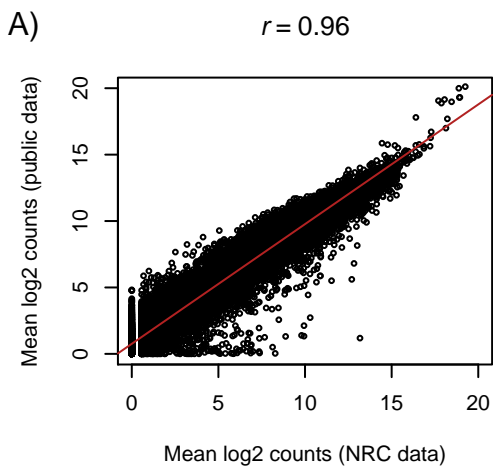
Supplementary Figure Legends

Supplementary Figure 1. RNA-seq data quality and correlation within and between datasets. Comparative analyses were conducted between RNA-seq data generated in this study (NRC data) and the data from the public domain for human total brain (A) and lung (B) as well as between replicates in human total brain (C), brain vessels (D) and lung (E). Each plot represents the expression of all protein-coding genes; the red line correspond to a linear regression between log₂ normalized read counts in each comparison.

Supplementary Figure 2: **A)** Heat maps showing normalized RNA abundance of the indicated genes in human BMVs compared to public datasets. Legends: BMVs, human brain vessels isolated in this study; Brain endothelial cells (EC), Astrocytes and Neurons are from single cell RNAseq analysis from Barres and co-workers [1, 2]; Brain from whole brain; Lung from whole lung tissues. **B)** Heat maps showing normalized RNA abundance of the indicated genes in mouse BMVs compared to public datasets. Legends: BMVs, mouse brain vessels isolated in this study; Brain EC, Pericytes, Astrocytes and Lung EC are from single cell RNAseq from Betsholtz and co-workers [3, 4].

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Supplementary figure 2

