Automated Classification of Depression from Structural Brain Measures across Two Independent Community-based Cohorts

Supplementary Material

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S1. MATERIALS AND METHODS

S1.1 Brain Imaging

S1.1.1 Scanning Details

Brain imaging and scanning sequence details for UK Biobank participants were previously described elsewhere (please see Alfaro-Almagro et al., 2018; Smith, Alfaro-Almagro, & Miller, 2018; UK Biobank, 2014). We here describe the T1-weighted and DTI scanning sequence details for STRADL participants, scanned in Aberdeen and in Dundee.

Aberdeen participants in STRADL were imaged on a 3T Philips Achieva TX-series MRI system (Philips Healthcare, Best, Netherlands) with a 32 channel phased-array head coil with a back facing mirror (software version 5.1.7; gradients with maximum amplitude 80 mT/m and maximum slew rate 100 T/m/s). For T1-weighted imaging, 160 sagittal slices were acquired with repetition time 8.3 ms, echo time 3.8 ms, inversion time 1031 ms, 8° flip angle, field of view 240 mm, matrix size 240 × 240, and voxel size $0.9 \times 0.9 \times 1.0 \text{ mm}^3$. Total acquisition time was 5 minutes and 38 seconds. For DTI imaging, there were 60 axial slices with repetition time 7010 ms, echo time 90 ms, 90° flip angle, field of view 220 mm, matrix size 96×94 , voxel size $2.3 \times 2.3 \times 2.3 \text{ mm}^3$, 64 non-collinear gradient directions (b = 1200 s/mm²), and eight diffusion unweighted images. Total acquisition time was 9 minutes and 28 seconds.

Dundee participants in STRADL were imaged using a Siemens 3T Prisma-FIT scanner (Siemens Healthineers, Erlangen, Germany) with 20 channel head and neck coil and a back facing mirror (software version VE11, gradient with maximum amplitude 80 mT/m and maximum slew rate 200 T/m/s). 208 sagittal slices were acquired with repetition time of 1740 ms, echo time 2.62 ms, inversion time of 900 ms, 8° flip angle, field of view 256 mm, matrix

size 256 × 256, and voxel size $1.0 \times 1.0 \times 1.0 \text{ mm}^3$. Acquisition time was 4 minutes and 3 seconds. For DTI imaging, 60 axial slices were acquired with repetition time 7100 ms, echo time 87 ms, 90° flip angle, field of view 220 mm, matrix size 96 × 94, voxel size $2.3 \times 2.3 \times 2.3 \text{ mm}^3$, 64 non-collinear gradient directions (b = 1200 s/mm2), and eight diffusion unweighted images. Acquisition time was 8 minutes and 54 seconds.

S1.1.2 STRADL FreeSurfer Processing Details

T1-weighted scans for N = 650 participants were processed with FreeSurfer version 5.3. The FreeSurfer processed scans were visually inspected and minor errors were manually corrected. Errors included incorrect skull stripping, exclusion of grey or white matter in tissue segmentation maps, or incorrect brain parcellation into separate regions (Neilson et al., 2019, supplementary material). Participants were excluded when there was at least one major error that could not be corrected or when there were multiple minor errors (N = 6). Additional N = 16 participants had at least one cortical measure missing after processing and were also excluded. As an additional quality control step, we also excluded N = 6 participants who were more than three standard deviations different from the sample mean in at least one of three global cortical measures – range (standard deviation) of cortical thickness across brain regions, sum of cortical region volumes, or sum of regional surface areas. N = 622 individuals were available for the STRADL dataset of brain morphometric measures (Figure S1A).

S1.1.3 UK Biobank FreeSurfer Processing Details

T1-weighted scans for N = 10,109 participants were processed with FreeSurfer version 5.3. Participants were excluded in cases of general FreeSurfer processing failure, one or more major processing errors, or multiple minor errors as described above for STRADL (N = 1,029). We additionally excluded N = 121 participants as outliers in global cortical metrics

(as above for STRADL), resulting in a dataset of N = 8,959 subjects in total (Figure S2A).

S1.1.4 STRADL DTI Processing Details

Diffusion-weighted images for 980 participants were corrected for eddy current-related distortions and head movements ('eddy_correct' function in FSL), which was followed by skull stripping and computation of FA and MD maps. Skull stripping was performed with BET with a threshold of 0.2. FA and MD images were computed with DTIFIT component of FSL (https://fsl.fmrib.ox.ac.uk/fsl/fslwiki/FDT/UserGuide#DTIFIT). As part of the ENIGMA protocol, images were first slightly eroded to remove brain-edge artefacts, and then nonlinearly registered to the ENIGMA template and transformed into $1 \times 1 \times 1$ mm standard space. N = 12 participants with FA image distortions or poor template registration were excluded after visual inspection. White matter skeleton was calculated as the mean of all registered FA images. FA data for each participant was then projected onto the skeleton with a threshold of FA > -0.049. Tracts for FA and MD measure ROI extraction were based on the Johns-Hopkins University (JHU) DTI-based white matter atlas (Mori & Crain, 2006). At the time of the study demographic data was available for N = 884 of N = 968 processed participants. As an additional quality control step, we excluded participants where global FA or global MD measures were more than three standard deviations different from the entire sample means. We here consider first principal components for all 43 FA and MD measures as representative of global FA and MD. Outlier exclusion resulted in data for N = 873 participants being available for STRADL dataset (Figure S1B).

S1.1.5 UK Biobank DTI Processing Details

As part of the UK Biobank DTI processing protocol, diffusion-weighted images were corrected for head motion and eddy currents and processed with the TBSS toolkit to extract FA and MD skeletons (Smith et al., 2006; Smith et al., 2018, sections 3.10 and 3.10.1). FA

and MD measures were derived from skeletons for 21 bilateral tracts and 6 unilateral tracts. Data for N = 19,393 participants were available. Similar to the STRADL data, outliers in global FA and MD measures were excluded, which resulted in N = 18,980 participants remaining in the final dataset (supplementary Figure S2B).

S1.2 Diagnostic Criteria

S1.2.1 STRADL Diagnostic Criteria

As described in the main text, diagnoses for STRADL participants were established using Structured Clinical Interview for DSM Disorders (SCID), and were based on the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (American Psychiatric Association, 2000; First, Gibbon, Spitzer, & Williams, 2002). Participants were classed as currently depressed (cMDD-STR) if they had an ongoing MDD episode, and as remitted (rMDD-STR) if they had at least one past episode of MDD, but were not depressed at the time of the scan.

S1.2.2 UK Biobank Probable Current MDD (cMDD-UKB) Diagnostic Definition

Criteria for probable current MDD (cMDD-UKB) in UK Biobank was based on the three diagnostic categories defined in Smith et al. (2013), combined with a screen of symptoms at the time of the scan. Briefly, the categories in Smith et al. (2013) were based on self-reported past symptoms of depression (low mood or anhedonia lasting for at least two weeks at any time in their life), and self-reported history of seeing a psychiatrist or a GP for nerves, anxiety, tension or depression. Based on the self-reported participant data, Smith et al. defined three diagnostic categories – single-episode, moderate recurrent or severe recurrent past (lifetime) depression. We classed participants as cMDD-UKB if they met criteria for either of the three categories, and also reported current symptoms. Participants screened positive for current symptoms if they fulfilled at least one of the following criteria:

1) Reported depressed mood over the past two weeks for more than half of the days or

nearly every day (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #2050);

- Reported lack of interest or pleasure in daily activities over the past two weeks for more than half of the days or nearly every day (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #2060);
- Reported in general feeling very unhappy or extremely unhappy (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #4526);
- Reported at least one symptom for at least three of four symptom groups related to depression – mood symptoms, sleep problems, psychomotor symptoms or interpersonal symptoms.

<u>Mood symptoms</u> mentioned above included the following items:

- Often feeling miserable (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #1930);
- Often feeling fed-up (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #1960);
- Experiencing depressed mood for several days over the past two weeks (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #2050);
- Experiencing lack of interest or pleasure for several days over the past two weeks (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #2060);
- Feeling moderately unhappy in general (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #4526).

<u>Sleep problems</u> were defined by the following items:

- Experiencing difficulty getting up in the morning (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #1170);
- Usually experiencing trouble in falling asleep, or waking up in the middle of the night (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #1200).

Psychomotor symptoms included the following items:

- Often experiencing restlessness over the past two weeks (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #2070);
- Experiencing tiredness or lack of energy nearly every day over the past two

weeks (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #2080).

Interpersonal symptoms were defined by the following items:

- Often being irritable (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #1940);
- Experiencing hurt feelings easily (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #1950);
- Often feeling lonely (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #2020);
- Often being troubled by feelings of guilt (UKB touchscreen questionnaire, data item #2030).

Participants were excluded from both cases and controls if they reported having Parkinson's disease, bipolar disorder, multiple personality disorder, schizophrenia, autism, intellectual disability, multiple sclerosis or cognitive impairment. Participants were also excluded from control samples if they reported depression, anxiety or other mood disorder, use of anxiolytic, antidepressant or antipsychotic drugs, had nervous breakdown or suicide attempt in the past, or had seen a GP or a psychiatrist about nerves, anxiety or depression.

S1.2.3 UK Biobank CIDI-SF Lifetime MDD (pMDD-UKB-CIDI) Diagnostic Definition

Composite International Diagnostic Interview assessment (CIDI-SF, Kessler, Andrews, Mroczek, Ustun, & Wittchen, 1998) was administered in UK Biobank as part of an online mental health questionnaire (UK Biobank, 2017). Participants were first asked if they had ever experienced a period of two weeks in which they had low or depressed mood, or a lack of interest or pleasure in daily activities. If they responded positively to either of the two questions, they were asked six additional questions about whether they experienced other symptoms of depression according to the DSM criteria at the same time (American Psychiatric Association, 2000). The assessed symptoms were related to feelings of worthlessness, tiredness, difficulty in concentrating, thoughts of death, changes in weight, and changes in sleeping patterns (UK Biobank, 2017). Participants were classed as having

had lifetime experience of MDD if they met all of the following criteria:

- Experienced at least five of the eight depression symptoms at the same time
- Experienced low mood or lack of interest every day or almost every day during the episode, with feelings lasting most of the day or all day
- Reported a level of psychosocial impairment (study / employment / childcare / housework or leisure) during the episode

Participants were excluded from being controls for pMDD-UKB-CIDI definition if they reported a diagnosis of depression or had a score above 5 in PHQ-9 according to the online assessment (Kroenke & Spitzer, 2002).

S1.2.4 UK Biobank ICD Lifetime MDD (pMDD-UKB-ICD) Diagnostic Definition

Some participants in UK Biobank had a formal past diagnosis of depression, established by a clinician, reported in their hospital record. The diagnosis was established according to the ICD (World Health Organisation, 1992), but was only available for participants who were depressed during a hospital admission. These participants were classed as pMDD-UKB-ICD cases. Participants who did not have a hospital record available were not included as either cases or controls. Participant who were included as controls may have been depressed at some point in their life, but not during a hospital admission.

S1.3 Classification Methods

S1.3.1 Classification Model Details

SVM with Gaussian kernel, decision tree and penalised logistic regression classifiers were selected because they performed relatively well in previous neuroimaging classification studies (Arbabshirani, Plis, Sui, & Calhoun, 2017; Dadi et al., 2019; Kambeitz et al., 2017; Yang et al., 2018), and because these classifiers have been reported among the most promising across different datasets (Fernández-Delgado, Cernadas, Barro, & Amorim, 2014). Penalised logistic regression was applied with *elastic net* penalty, which has performed relatively well in a previous study (Yang et al., 2018; Zou & Hastie, 2005). Splitting criterion for the decision tree classifier was Gini's Diversity Index, which is the default criterion in MATLAB R2015b. Features used for SVM and PLR classifier training and testing were standardised – centred by feature means and scaled by standard deviations in the training data. Classification was attempted both with and without hyperparameter optimisation for SVM and DT classifiers, and only with optimised hyperparameters for PLR classifier.

S1.3.2 Fixed Hyperparameters

SVM classifier has two main hyperparameters – *box constraint* (regularisation) and *kernel scale*. When no optimisation was applied, box contraint was set to the canonical value of 1, which the default heuristic implemented in MATLAB R2015b and other machine learning toolkits (Chang & Lin, 2011; Pedregosa et al., 2018). Kernel scale parameter was set to the square root of the number of features for each dataset, which is the heuristic implemented in LibSVM toolkit (Chang & Lin, 2011). Rationale for this heuristic is that the optimal kernel scale depends on the distance between data points from different classes, which is in turn bounded by the number of features, when the features are standardised.

Decision tree classifier has three core hyperparameters – *maximum number of splits, minimum parent size*, and *minimum leaf size*. Maximum number of splits was set to 20 and minimum parent size was set to 10 following the default MATLAB R2015b heuristics for medium-sized trees. There was no MATLAB heuristic for the minimum leaf size and this parameter was set to the value of 4, following the heuristic implemented in 'rpart' R package (Therneau, Atkinson, & Ripley, 2019). The 'rpart' package heuristic suggests specifying the

minimum leaf size as $\frac{1}{3}$ of the minimum parent size to reduce possibilities for overfitting.

PLR classifier always requires optimisation of the *regularisation coefficient* (lambda) and hence analyses with fixed hyperparameters were not attempted.

S1.3.3 Hyperparameter Optimisation

Hyperparameters were optimised through grid search with inner cross-validation accuracy as the criterion for optimal hyperparameter value combinations.

For SVM, both *box constraint* and *kernel scale* were optimised. Box constraint search grid included 13 values in logarithmic space, with exponents from -2 to 4 and step of 0.5. These values were following:

[0.25 0.3536 0.5 0.7071 1 1.4142 2 2.8284 4 5.6569 8 11.3137 16]

Specification of the box constraint search grid followed the heuristic outlined in Hsu, Chang, & Lin (2003), but included a narrower range around the canonical value of 1 with an assumption that this may improve optimisation results.

Kernel scale search grid included 14 values, again calculated as powers of two with exponents from -2 to 4.5 with a step of 0.5. The search grid consisted of the following values:

[0.25 0.3536 0.5 0.7071 1 1.4142 2 2.8284 4 5.6569 8 11.3137 16 22.6274]

Specification of the kernel scale search grid again followed the heuristic from Hsu et al. (2003), but with a narrower range around the square roots of the number of features, with an assumption that this may improve optimisation results.

Ranges for both box constraint and kernel scale were deliberately constrained to decrease possibilities for overfitting. Overall, 182 (13 \times 14) hyperparameter combinations were included in the SVM hyperparameter search grid.

For decision tree, only minimum leaf size was optimised as the most important classifier

hyperparameter (Mantovani et al., 2019). Larger minimum leaf sizes simultaneously constrain maximum number of decision tree splits, and some combinations of these two hyperparameters (e.g. low minimum leaf size and low maximum number of splits) can lead to less balanced trees which could be less generalisable. Maximum number of splits was therefore fixed and constrained by the sample size (N – 1). Search grid for the minimum leaf size followed the default MATLAB R2015b heuristic and included 10 values in logarithmic scaled space from two to half the sample size (log(2) to log(N/2)) with duplicates excluded. *Minimum parent size* was not optimised to reduce computation time, and also because it was shown previously that optimisation of this parameter is less effective compared to optimisation of the minimum leaf size (Mantovani et al., 2019).

In penalised logistic regression, *alpha* parameter controls the weight of L1 (lasso) versus L2 (ridge) regularisation. Alpha is a higher-level hyperparameter and was specified to the default value of 0.5, which equally balances ridge and lasso regularisation. The main optimised PLR hyperparameter was the *regularisation coefficient* (lambda). Search grid for lambda was specified following the heuristic implemented in MATLAB R2015b. The grid consisted of 20 values in a geometric sequence between the largest lambda value which

results in a nonnull model (λ_{max}), and the value of $\frac{\lambda_{max}}{1000}$.

S1.3.4 Filter Feature Selection

The *p*-value threshold in the *t*-test filter was optimised through inner cross-validation. Search grid consisted of nine *p*-value thresholds between 0.01 and 0.05 with step of 0.005 and was the following:

 $[0.01 \ 0.015 \ 0.02 \ 0.025 \ 0.03 \ 0.035 \ 0.04 \ 0.045 \ 0.05]$

Upper boundary in the above range was specified as the standard threshold for

statistically significant differences ($p \le 0.05$, Bross, 1971). Lower boundary was specified as 0.01 because there were generally only few features which were significantly different between cases and controls at significance level $p \le 0.01$ (uncorrected) across all datasets (Tables S1 – S10). During optimisation, filter threshold value with the highest inner crossvalidation accuracy and lowest filtered number of features was selected for testing in outer cross-validation.

Classification analyses with filter feature selection was not performed for rMDD-STR sample with FA feature subset, because only one FA measure was significant at $p \le 0.05$ (Table S7).

S1.3.5 Sequential Feature Elimination

In sequential feature elimination, inner cross-validation accuracy was used as the optimisation criterion. To enable reasonable computation times, sequential feature elimination was performed with elements of parallelisation as implemented in MATLAB R2015b. Each optimisation was performed on 8 cores of an Intel Xeon based computing cluster node with 2.4 GHz clock speed per core.

S1.3.6 Cross-validation Partitioning

Cross-validation was repeated 10 times with pre-determined random fold partitions in the smaller datasets (rMDD-STR and pMDD-UKB-ICD diagnostic criteria). This was not feasible for the larger datasets due to high computational complexity (cMDD-UKB and pMDD-UKB-CIDI diagnostic criteria). Cross-validation in the larger datasets was therefore performed only once for each classification method with the deterministically predefined fold partitions. Fold partitions for these datasets were defined separately for male and female cases and controls, with a greedy algorithm which aimed to maximally balance the folds with respect to age. The algorithm applied to define fold partitions was following:

- Compute mean age for the sample and compute difference with mean age for each participant;
- Sort participants in the order of increasing absolute difference with mean sample age;
- Assign first k participants with smallest absolute difference with mean overall sample age to different folds, where k is the number of folds;
- 4) For each of the remaining N k participants, assign participants to folds in the order of increasing participant age difference with the overall sample mean age; assign each participant p to the fold with minimal number of currently assigned participants, where the participant assignment results in the highest reduction of the difference between fold mean age and the overall sample mean age:
 - For each fold i with the minimal number of assigned participants compute difference between the fold mean age and the overall sample mean age (D_1^i);
 - For each fold i with the minimal number of assigned participants compute difference between the fold mean age and the overall sample mean age when participant p is added to the fold (D_2^i);
 - Assign participant $oldsymbol{p}$ to the fold $oldsymbol{i}$ with the highest value of D_1^i D_2^i .

The folds were defined to be deterministically balanced with respect to age and sex with the above algorithm, and were thus non-random.

S1.3.7 Comparison of Classification Methods

For smaller datasets (rMDD-STR and pMDD-UKB-ICD diagnostic criteria) there were 100 accuracy estimates for each classification approach (10 cross-validation repetitions \times 10 folds). The approaches were compared between each other using paired *t*-test with correction

for non-independence between accuracy estimates (Bouckaert & Frank, 2004; Nadeau & Bengio, 2003). Each classification approach was given a score according to the number of approaches which performed worse as assessed by the corrected paired *t*-test. For the larger datasets, repeated cross-validation was not feasible (cMDD-UKB and pMDD-UKB-CIDI diagnostic criteria), and hence classification approaches were compared using McNemar's test (McNemar, 1947). McNemar's tests were performed separately on the results from each cross-validation fold. Each approach was scored according to how many alternatives performed worse on each fold, and scores were then summed across the folds.

S2. RESULTS

S2.1 Brain Structure Differences

Correction for false discovery rate was performed separately for measures of cortical thickness, cortical surface areas, cortical or subcortical volumes, FA and MD.

Tables S1-S5 outline corrected and uncorrected significant (p < 0.05) case-control differences in brain morphometric measures in the five analysed samples. Where no differences where found for a sample, the related column in the table is omitted.

Tables S6-S10 outline corrected or uncorrected significant (p < 0.05) case-control differences in white matter integrity measures in the five samples. For white matter integrity, significant differences after FDR correction were only found in the three UK Biobank samples. Effects in light blue in Tables S8-S10 overlap between all three UKB samples, effects in light yellow overlap between cMDD-UKB and pMDD-UKB-CIDI, effects in light green overlap between pMDD-UKB-CIDI and pMDD-UKB-ICD samples.

S2.2 Classification Results

Results of cross-validation with sequential feature elimination with decision tree

classifier and combined brain morphometric feature set were not obtained for cMDD-UKB and pMDD-UKB-CIDI samples because each optimisation took longer than five days to run on 8 parallel cores of an Intel Xeon based computing cluster node (at 2.4 GHz clock speed per core). In addition, due to long optimisation times, classification analyses with decision tree classifier, sequential feature elimination and combined brain morphometric feature set were only performed once for rMDD-STR and pMDD-UKB-ICD samples, with predefined balanced fold partitions (section S1.3.6, no repeated cross-validation). This was also the case for decision tree classifier, sequential feature elimination and combined white-matter integrity feature set for pMDD-UKB-ICD sample.

For results of all classification analyses with brain morphometric and white-matter integrity features in cMDD-STR samples please see main text (Tables 4 and 5). Tables S11-S14 outline accuracies and ROC AUC measures for all classification attempts with brain morphometric features in rMDD-STR, cMDD-UKB, pMDD-UKB-CIDI and pMDD-UKB-ICD samples. Tables S15-S18 outline accuracies and ROC AUC measures for all classification attempts with white-matter integrity features in the four samples.

Classification analyses for cMDD-STR dataset with brain morphometric measures were repeated with a replaced set of control participants. The replaced controls were again matched to cases for age and sex (mean age 54.87, mean QIDS score 2.8), however matching for age was slightly worse compared to the original sample (Table 2 in the main text). Brief description of the main analysis results can be found in the results section of the main text. Table S19 outlines accuracies and ROC AUC measures for all classification attempts with the replaced set of controls in the cMDD-STR dataset with brain morphometric measures.

We additionally attempted classification with the two sets of control participants combined (original and replaced, twice as many controls compared to cases), with synthetic minority oversampling to compensate for unbalanced class data (SMOTE, Chawla, Bowyer, Hall, & Kegelmeyer, 2002). Despite application of the SMOTE technique, this did not improve the original classification results and resulted in largely unbalanced sensitivities and specificities. Results for these classification attempts can be found in Table S20.

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Figure S1. Flowcharts outlining participant exclusion in STRADL datasets of brain morphometric measures (A) and *white-matter integrity measures* (B).



Figure S2. Flowcharts outlining participant exclusion in UK Biobank datasets of *brain morphometric measures* (A) and *white-matter integrity measures* (B).

Brain morphometric measures with significant (uncorrected) differences between cases and controls in cMDD-STR sample (STRADL cohort)

Morphometric measure	Brain region	Uncorrected P value	Effect size
Cortical thickness	Rostral anterior cingulate (left)	0.0315	-0.5692
	Fusiform gyrus (right)	0.0121	-0.6693
	Inferior temporal gyrus (right)	0.0147	-0.6496
	Lateral orbitofrontal (right)	0.0048	-0.7570
Surface area	Superior frontal (left)	0.0467	0.5248
Surface area	Paracentral (right)	0.0300	0.5746
Volume	Caudal middle frontal (right)	0.0338	-0.5614
	Paracentral (right)	0.0202	0.6167

Note: No effects were significant after FDR correction.

Table S2

Brain morphometric measures with significant (uncorrected) differences between cases and controls in rMDD-STR sample (STRADL cohort)

Morphometric measure	Brain region	Uncorrected P value	Effect size
Cortical thickness	Pars orbitalis (right)	0.0469	0.2320
Surface area	Lingual gyrus (left)	0.0303	-0.2530
	Precentral (left)	0.0309	-0.2522
Volume	Precentral (left)	0.0378	-0.2426
	Brainstem	0.0174	-0.2781

Note: No effects were significant after FDR correction.

Brain morphometric measures with significant (uncorrected) differences between cases and controls in cMDD-UKB sample (UK Biobank cohort)

Morphometric measure	Brain region	Uncorrected P value	Effect size
	Banks of superior temporal sulcus (left)	0.0187	-0.1228
	Caudal anterior cingulate (left)	0.0308	-0.1128
	Pars opercularis (left)	0.0199	-0.1216
	Pars opercularis (right)	0.0371	-0.1089
	Posterior cingulate (left)	0.0499	-0.1024
	Precentral (left)	0.0090	-0.1365
Cortical thickness	Precentral (right)	0.0292	-0.1139
unenness	Superior frontal (left)	0.0021	-0.1604
	Superior frontal (right)	0.0164	-0.1253
	Superior temporal (left)	0.0395	-0.1075
	Insula (left)	0.0072	-0.1403
	Middle temporal (right)	0.0487	-0.1030
	Parahippocampal (right)	0.0279	-0.1148
Surface area	Caudal middle frontal (right)	0.0412	0.1066
Surface area	Precuneus (right)	0.0340	0.1107

Note: No effects were significant after FDR correction.

Brain morphometric measures with significant differences between cases and controls in pMDD-UKB-CIDI sample (UK Biobank cohort)

Morphometric measure	Brain region	Uncorrected P value	Corrected P value	Effect size
	Pars opercularis (left)	0.0454	n.s.	-0.0694
	Pars triangularis (left)	0.0025	n.s.	-0.1048
Cortical	Pars triangularis (right)	0.0181	n.s.	-0.0819
thickness	Posterior cingulate (left)	0.0318	n.s.	-0.0744
	Rostral anterior cingulate (left)	0.0052	n.s.	-0.0969
	Lateral occipital (right)	0.0305	n.s.	0.0750
	Inferior temporal (left)	0.0049	n.s.	-0.0976
Surface area	Inferior temporal (right)	0.0254	n.s.	-0.0775
	Supramarginal (left)	0.0033	n.s.	-0.1019
	Entorhinal (left)	0.0053	n.s.	-0.0966
	Inferior temporal (left)	0.0106	n.s.	-0.0886
X7-1	Inferior temporal (right)	0.0219	n.s.	-0.0795
volume	Supramarginal (left)	0.0001	0.0100	-0.1317
	Lateral orbitofrontal (right)	0.0459	n.s.	-0.0692
	Medial orbitofrontal (right)	0.0084	n.s.	-0.0914

Note: Significant effect after FDR correction is highlighted in light blue.

Brain morphometric measures with significant differences between cases and controls in pMDD-UKB-ICD sample (UK Biobank cohort)

Morphometric measure	Brain region	Uncorrected P value	Corrected P value	Effect size
	Caudal middle frontal (left)	0.0187	n.s.	-0.2828
	Fusiform gyrus (left)	0.0339	n.s.	-0.2547
	Pars opercularis (left)	0.0125	n.s.	-0.3005
	Pars triangularis (left)	0.0158	n.s.	-0.2903
	Pars triangularis (right)	0.0117	n.s.	-0.3034
Cortical	Rostral middle frontal (left)	0.0267	n.s.	-0.2663
thickness	Rostral middle frontal (right)	0.0379	n.s.	-0.2494
	Superior temporal (left)	0.0481	n.s.	-0.2372
	Inferior temporal (right)	0.0431	n.s.	-0.2428
	Isthmus (right)	0.0012	n.s.	-0.3898
	Pars orbitalis (right)	0.0356	n.s.	-0.2524
	Posterior cingulate (right)	0.0489	n.s.	-0.2365
	Entorhinal (left)	0.0003	0.0171	-0.4433
Surface area	Supramarginal (right)	0.0489	n.s.	-0.2364
	Frontal pole (right)	0.0258	n.s.	0.2679
	Cuneus (left)	0.0286	n.s.	0.2631
	Entorhinal (left)	0.0213	n.s.	-0.2768
	Fusiform gyrus (left)	0.0228	n.s.	-0.2737
Volumo	Inferior temporal (right)	0.0455	n.s.	-0.2402
volume	Pars triangularis (right)	0.0163	n.s.	-0.2889
	Cerebellar grey matter (left)	0.0456	n.s.	-0.2400
	Cerebellar white matter (left)	0.0166	n.s.	-0.2879
	Cerebellar white matter (right)	0.0135	n.s.	-0.2973

Note: Significant effect after FDR correction is highlighted in light blue.

White-matter integrity measures with significant (uncorrected) differences between cases and controls in cMDD-STR sample (STRADL cohort)

Integrity measure	White-matter tract	Uncorrected P value	Effect size
	Anterior limb of internal capsule (left)	0.0284	-0.4994
FA	External capsule (right)	0.0464	-0.4527
	Splenium of corpus callosum	0.0496	-0.4459
	Superior frontooccipital fasciculus (left)	0.0381	-0.4717
	Superior frontooccipital fasciculus (right)	0.0354	-0.4787
	Cingulum cingulate gyrus (right)	0.0435	-0.4588
MD	Superior frontooccipital fasciculus (right)	0.0493	0.4467
	Uncinate fasciculus (right)	0.0273	0.5029

Note: No effects were significant after FDR correction.

Table S7

White-matter integrity measures with significant (uncorrected) differences between cases and controls in rMDD-STR sample (STRADL cohort)

Integrity measure	White-matter tract	Uncorrected P value	Effect size
FA	Inferior frontooccipital fasciculus (left)	0.0462	-0.1990
MD	External capsule (left)	0.0040	0.2880
	Sagittal stratum (right)	0.0273	-0.2205

Note: No effects were significant after FDR correction.

White-matter integrity measures with significant (corrected) differences between cases and controls in cMDD-UKB sample (UK Biobank cohort)

Integrity measure	White-matter tract	Uncorrected P value	Corrected P value	Effect size
FA	Cingulum hippocampus (right)	0.0004	0.0182	0.1329
MD	Anterior limb of internal capsule (right)	0.0007	0.0178	0.1261
	Anterior limb of internal capsule (left)	0.0026	0.0252	0.1124
	Superior corona radiata (right)	0.0021	0.0248	0.1151
	Superior corona radiata (left)	0.0019	0.0248	0.1161
	Superior frontooccipital fasciculus (right)	0.0007	0.0178	0.1264

Note: Effects in yellow overlap with pMDD-UKB-CIDI sample. Effects in blue overlap with both pMDD-UKB-CIDI and pMDD-UKB-ICD samples. Effect sizes are in Cohen's *d* values.

White-matter integrity measures with significant (corrected) differences between cases and controls in pMDD-UKB-CIDI sample (UK Biobank cohort)

Integrity measure	White-matter tract	Uncorrected P value	Corrected P value	Effect size
	Genu of corpus callosum	0.0010	0.0067	-0.0796
	Fornix	0.0081	0.0228	-0.0641
	Inferior cerebellar peduncle (right)	0.0041	0.0157	-0.0695
	Inferior cerebellar peduncle (left)	0.0001	0.0014	-0.0933
	Superior cerebellar peduncle (right)	0.0049	0.0157	-0.0681
	Superior cerebellar peduncle (left)	0.0048	0.0157	-0.0683
	Anterior limb of internal capsule (right)	0.0041	0.0157	-0.0694
	Anterior limb of internal capsule (left)	0.0008	0.0064	-0.0811
ΓA	Anterior corona radiata (right)	0.0048	0.0157	-0.0683
FA	Anterior corona radiata (left)	0.0101	0.0271	-0.0622
	Superior corona radiata (left)	0.0039	0.0157	-0.0698
	Posterior thalamic radiation (right)	0.00009	0.0014	-0.0946
	Posterior thalamic radiation (left)	0.0002	0.0023	-0.0888
	Sagittal stratum (left)	0.0058	0.0173	-0.0668
	Fornix (cres) / Stria terminalis (right)	0.0030	0.0157	-0.0717
	Fornix (cres) / Stria terminalis (left)	0.0011	0.0067	-0.0788
	Superior frontooccipital fasciculus (right)	0.00005	0.0012	-0.0983
	Superior frontooccipital fasciculus (left)	0.00004	0.0012	-0.0988
	Pontine crossing tract	0.0054	0.0377	-0.0673
	Genu of corpus callosum	0.0079	0.0469	0.0644
	Corticospinal tract (left)	0.0031	0.0300	-0.0715
	Anterior limb of internal capsule (right)	0.0103	0.0492	0.0621
MD	Anterior limb of internal capsule (left)	0.0095	0.0492	0.0627
MD	Superior corona radiata (right)	0.0003	0.0065	0.0881
	Superior corona radiata (left)	0.00005	0.0023	0.0984
	Fornix (cres) / Stria terminalis (right)	0.0050	0.0372	0.0679
	Superior frontooccipital fasciculus (right)	0.0020	0.0236	0.0749
	Superior frontooccipital fasciculus (left)	0.0008	0.0126	0.0813

Note: Effects in yellow overlap with cMDD-UKB sample. Effects in green overlap with pMDD-UKB-ICD sample. Effects in blue overlap with both cMDD-UKB and pMDD-UKB-ICD samples. Effect sizes are in Cohen's *d* values.

White-matter integrity measures with significant (corrected) differences between cases and controls in pMDD-UKB-ICD sample (UK Biobank cohort)

Integrity measure	White-matter tract	Uncorrected P value	Corrected P value	Effect size
	Genu of corpus callosum	0.0003	0.0083	-0.3031
	Body of corpus callosum	0.0013	0.0192	-0.2685
	Superior cerebellar peduncle (right)	0.0048	0.0289	-0.2355
	Anterior limb of internal capsule (right)	0.0016	0.0192	-0.2638
ΓA	Anterior limb of internal capsule (left)	0.0082	0.0392	-0.2208
FA	Anterior corona radiata (right)	0.0026	0.0204	-0.2521
	Posterior corona radiata (left)	0.0030	0.0205	-0.2481
	Posterior thalamic radiation (right)	0.0003	0.0083	-0.2994
	Posterior thalamic radiation (left)	0.0023	0.0204	-0.2543
	Fornix (cres) / Stria terminalis (left)	0.0060	0.0316	-0.2298
	Genu of corpus callosum	0.0002	0.0094	0.3068
	Body of corpus callosum	0.0004	0.0094	0.2968
MD	Superior corona radiata (right)	0.0041	0.0479	0.2399
	Superior corona radiata (left)	0.0010	0.0162	0.2749
	Cingulum cingulate gyrus (right)	0.0050	0.0479	0.2345

Note: Effects in green overlap with pMDD-UKB-CIDI sample. Effects in blue overlap with both cMDD-UKB and pMDD-UKB-CIDI samples. Effect sizes are in Cohen's *d* values.

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on repeated cross-validation) with *brain morphometric* features in rMDD-STR sample (148 cases and 148 controls, STRADL cohort)

Classif. type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC	Score
					Thickness	50.60% (49.73% / 51.47%)	0.511	0
					Surface area	49.95% (52.79% / 47.18%)	0.500	0
PLR	Embedded	Grid search	10-fold	10-fold	Volume	51.68% (54.41% / 48.95%)	0.502	0
					Subcortical	54.66% (56.76% / 52.59%)	0.578	2
					Combined	50.01% (51.64% / 48.38%)	0.495	0
					Thickness	51.07% (51.10% / 51.04%)	0.540	0
					Surface area	49.87% (50.61% / 49.12%)	0.509	0
		None		-	Volume	54.51% (55.63% / 53.33%)	0.556	1
					Subcortical	55.04% (54.89% / 55.19%)	0.557	3
					Combined	51.84% (50.37% / 53.29%)	0.540	0
	None				Thickness	52.76% (58.38% / 47.18%)	0.521	0
					Surface area	49.75% (43.32% / 56.35%)	0.500	0
		Grid search			Volume	52.60% (54.60% / 50.65%)	0.518	0
SVM			10-fold		Subcortical	50.54% (46.72% / 54.42%)	0.525	0
				10-fold	Combined	51.99% (52.18% / 51.89%)	0.509	0
	Statistical	None	-		Combined	51.39% (57.81% / 44.92%)	0.524	0
	filter	Grid search			Combined	52.15% (54.63% / 49.67%)	0.524	0
	Sequential elimination	None	-		Thickness	50.52% (49.49% / 51.59%)	0.530	0
					Surface area	49.64% (52.36% / 46.88%)	0.498	0
					Volume	54.64% (55.10% / 54.16%)	0.550	1
					Subcortical	53.76% (51.17% / 56.36%)	0.558	0
					Combined	52.89% (49.57% / 56.21%)	0.542	0
					Thickness	47.77% (48.06% / 47.42%)	0.469	0
					Surface area	51.63% (48.14% / 55.04%)	0.520	0
		None		-	Volume	50.04% (48.24% / 51.87%)	0.510	0
					Subcortical	52.59% (50.40% / 54.76%)	0.553	0
	Nama				Combined	57.09% (56.64% / 57.47%)	0.591	11
	None				Thickness	47.07% (45.84% / 48.24%)	0.472	0
					Surface area	55.63% (57.50% / 53.76%)	0.561	5
		Grid search			Volume	49.30% (49.80% / 48.77%)	0.502	0
DT			10-fold		Subcortical	51.66% (53.30% / 50.00%)	0.525	0
					Combined	55.04% (55.05% / 54.96%)	0.564	1
	Statistical	None		10 fold	Combined	52.79% (51.62% / 53.98%)	0.542	0
	filter	Grid search		10-1010	Combined	57.48% (52.57% / 62.35%)	0.572	13
					Thickness	48.55% (48.95% / 48.11%)	0.475	0
					Surface area	52.49% (50.11% / 54.76%)	0.530	0
	Sequential elimination	None			Volume	48.95% (47.30% / 50.52%)	0.496	0
					Subcortical	52.13% (49.76% / 54.54%)	0.551	0
					Combined	53.42% (48.79% / 58.07%)	0.532	-

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers, and score for the best overall approach are highlighted in light blue. Optimisation with DT classifier, sequential feature elimination and combined feature set was only performed once (no repetitions), hence score not shown (section S2.2).

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on single cross-validation) with *brain morphometric* features in cMDD-UKB sample (735 cases and 735 controls, UK Biobank cohort)

Classif. type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC	Score
					Thickness	52.80% (52.66% / 52.92%)	0.540	58
		Grid search			Surface area	50.40% (50.21% / 50.61%)	0.488	11
PLR	Embedded		10-fold	10-fold	Volume	50.06% (50.62% / 49.51%)	0.505	9
					Subcortical	50.27% (53.64% / 46.88%)	0.505	5
					Combined	52.31% (51.99% / 52.64%)	0.519	30
					Thickness	50.95% (51.56% / 50.32%)	0.517	24
					Surface area	50.41% (51.16% / 49.67%)	0.502	9
		None		-	Volume	51.63% (52.52% / 50.76%)	0.516	18
					Subcortical	49.94% (47.21% / 52.64%)	0.506	18
					Combined	51.22% (51.42% / 51.01%)	0.524	15
	None		-		Thickness	51.09% (48.84% / 53.34%)	0.519	19
					Surface area	49.87% (44.88% / 54.81%)	0.498	6
		Grid search			Volume	49.86% (50.89% / 48.89%)	0.497	3
SVM			10-fold		Subcortical	50.35% (46.00% / 54.69%)	0.484	30
				10-fold	Combined	50.75% (52.65% / 48.85%)	0.515	17
	Statistical	None	-		Combined	49.18% (52.25% / 46.12%)	0.501	9
	filter	Grid search			Combined	48.70% (51.56% / 45.86%)	0.482	16
-	Sequential		-		Thickness	51.43% (51.16% / 51.67%)	0.520	34
		None			Surface area	50.00% (50.34% / 49.66%)	0.495	10
					Volume	51.09% (51.70% / 50.50%)	0.505	14
	cillination				Subcortical	49.32% (44.75% / 53.88%)	0.495	3
					Combined	52.11% (51.97% / 52.25%)	0.527	30
					Thickness	48.98% (50.60% / 47.32%)	0.495	25
SVM				-	Surface area	50.06% (49.64% / 50.46%)	0.493	12
		None			Volume	50.82% (44.95% / 56.78%)	0.519	27
					Subcortical	49.73% (65.64% / 33.86%)	0.506	6
	N				Combined	49.12% (46.91% / 51.28%)	0.488	3
	None				Thickness	51.56% (53.99% / 49.09%)	0.513	16
					Surface area	48.85% (53.44% / 44.17%)	0.484	17
		Grid search			Volume	51.76% (55.63% / 47.87%)	0.521	24
DT			10-fold		Subcortical	47.01% (48.82% / 45.17%)	0.465	0
					Combined	51.16% (50.08% / 52.25%)	0.495	15
	Statistical	None		10 f-13	Combined	47.89% (48.40% / 47.36%)	0.478	1
	filter	Grid search		10-fold	Combined	49.38% (48.31% / 50.46%)	0.479	9
					Thickness	49.46% (46.93% / 52.00%)	0.491	9
					Surface area	51.30% (55.50% / 47.10%)	0.508	34
	Sequential elimination	None			Volume	50.28% (50.62% / 49.92%)	0.499	18
	Cimmuton				Subcortical	49.79% (51.63% / 47.91%)	0.500	4
					Combined	N/A	N/A	-

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers, and score for the best overall approach are highlighted in light blue. Optimisation with sequential feature elimination for decision tree and combined feature set was not performed due to high computational complexity (section S2.2).

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on single cross-validation) with *brain morphometric* features in pMDD-UKB-CIDI sample (1665 cases and 1665 controls, UK Biobank cohort)

Classif. type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC	Score
					Thickness	52.07% (53.00% / 51.14%)	0.534	24
					Surface area	51.41% (52.94% / 49.88%)	0.525	9
PLR	Embedded	Grid search	10-fold	10-fold	Volume	52.79% (53.54% / 52.04%)	0.535	37
					Subcortical	48.20% (59.91% / 36.52%)	0.477	2
					Combined	52.94% (53.60% / 52.28%)	0.543	30
					Thickness	53.63% (53.72% / 53.54%)	0.532	64
					Surface area	49.40% (48.68% / 50.12%)	0.499	5
		None		-	Volume	52.01% (51.74% / 52.29%)	0.531	28
					Subcortical	51.08% (51.79% / 50.37%)	0.517	18
	D.T.				Combined	51.77% (52.64% / 50.90%)	0.528	16
	INONE		-		Thickness	53.00% (52.70% / 53.30%)	0.533	48
					Surface area	50.33% (54.79% / 45.88%)	0.502	8
		Grid search			Volume	53.09% (54.26% / 51.93%)	0.533	42
SVM			10-fold	10-fold	Subcortical	51.53% (51.98% / 51.08%)	0.512	8
-					Combined	51.41% (51.19% / 51.63%)	0.528	15
	Statistical	None			Combined	52.85% (58.16% / 47.54%)	0.547	39
	filter	Grid search			Combined	52.46% (56.36% / 48.56%)	0.546	26
	Sequential elimination				Thickness	52.61% (52.34% / 52.88%)	0.527	32
					Surface area	49.01% (49.10% / 48.92%)	0.495	3
		None			Volume	52.43% (52.94% / 51.93%)	0.532	22
					Subcortical	49.37% (53.12% / 45.62%)	0.500	3
					Combined	51.53% (52.52% / 50.54%)	0.528	15
					Thickness	49.85% (39.57% / 60.11%)	0.500	2
					Surface area	51.59% (64.88% / 38.32%)	0.517	18
		None		-	Volume	50.66% (60.67% / 40.64%)	0.516	12
					Subcortical	51.65% (71.29% / 32.01%)	0.509	11
	None				Combined	51.08% (61.22% / 40.94%)	0.524	13
	None				Thickness	49.10% (52.89% / 45.31%)	0.492	1
					Surface area	50.45% (46.83% / 54.07%)	0.503	5
		Grid search			Volume	51.98% (53.89% / 50.07%)	0.526	21
DT			10-fold		Subcortical	49.61% (48.26% / 50.96%)	0.500	4
					Combined	50.75% (45.96% / 55.52%)	0.517	10
	Statistical	None		10 fold	Combined	52.67% (66.87% / 38.49%)	0.522	18
	filter	Grid search		10-1010	Combined	50.03% (46.64% / 53.42%)	0.511	6
					Thickness	50.60% (48.53% / 52.69%)	0.512	6
	_	equential None imination			Surface area	51.62% (68.99% / 34.25%)	0.513	13
	Sequential elimination				Volume	49.76% (63.51% / 36.02%)	0.505	3
					Subcortical	51.44% (75.75% / 27.13%)	0.518	8
					Combined	N/A	N/A	-

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers, and score for the best overall approach are highlighted in light blue. Optimisation with sequential feature elimination for decision tree and combined feature set was not performed due to high computational complexity (section S2.2).

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on repeated cross-validation) with *brain morphometric* features in pMDD-UKB-ICD sample (140 cases and 140 controls, UK Biobank cohort)

Classif. type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC	Score
					Thickness	52.68% (53.43% / 51.93%)	0.547	0
					Surface area	54.39% (53.36% / 55.43%)	0.584	0
PLR	Embedded	Grid search	10-fold	10-fold	Volume	52.36% (53.00% / 51.71%)	0.539	0
					Subcortical	53.57% (53.93% / 53.21%)	0.541	0
					Combined	60.29% (61.86% / 58.71%)	0.645	20
					Thickness	56.14% (64.79% / 47.50%)	0.576	0
					Surface area	50.71% (51.21% / 50.21%)	0.530	0
		None		-	Volume	53.75% (53.93% / 53.57%)	0.553	0
					Subcortical	51.75% (41.79% / 61.71%)	0.506	0
	N				Combined	55.11% (54.21% / 56.00%)	0.592	0
	None		-		Thickness	54.46% (61.93% / 47.00%)	0.550	0
					Surface area	51.93% (51.86% / 52.00%)	0.552	0
		Grid search			Volume	54.21% (52.86% / 55.57%)	0.560	0
SVM			10-fold		Subcortical	51.82% (42.14% / 61.50%)	0.526	0
				10 fold	Combined	54.89% (53.21% / 56.57%)	0.585	0
	Statistical	None	-		Combined	57.21% (57.00% / 57.43%)	0.599	4
	filter	Grid search		10-1010	Combined	58.46% (59.07% / 57.86%)	0.608	9
	Sequential elimination	None			Thickness	56.71% (64.29% / 49.14%)	0.588	0
					Surface area	51.82% (52.86% / 50.79%)	0.538	0
					Volume	53.29% (52.79% / 53.79%)	0.546	0
					Subcortical	52.32% (41.50% / 63.14%)	0.511	0
					Combined	57.64% (59.00% / 56.29%)	0.613	6
		None			Thickness	55.46% (56.64% / 54.29%)	0.562	0
					Surface area	58.50% (60.64% / 56.36%)	0.611	8
				-	Volume	49.93% (49.79% / 50.07%)	0.495	0
					Subcortical	50.54% (45.29% / 55.79%)	0.501	0
	None				Combined	51.82% (52.71% / 50.93%)	0.543	0
	None				Thickness	54.07% (55.07% / 53.07%)	0.555	0
					Surface area	54.64% (55.43% / 53.86%)	0.569	0
		Grid search			Volume	50.29% (48.14% / 52.43%)	0.498	0
DT			10-fold		Subcortical	50.68% (47.50% / 53.86%)	0.516	0
					Combined	51.54% (51.71% / 51.36%)	0.509	0
	Statistical	None		10-fold	Combined	54.64% (57.50% / 51.79%)	0.554	0
	filter	Grid search		10-1010	Combined	52.86% (53.50% / 52.21%)	0.526	0
					Thickness	56.00% (58.79% / 53.21%)	0.569	0
					Surface area	55.61% (58.43% / 52.79%)	0.591	0
	Sequential elimination	None			Volume	49.36% (47.50% / 51.21%)	0.495	0
					Subcortical	51.11% (43.71% / 58.50%)	0.502	0
					Combined	48.95% (47.91% / 49.75%)	0.492	-

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers, and score for the best overall approach are highlighted in light blue. Optimisation with DT classifier, sequential feature elimination and combined feature set was only performed once (no repetitions), hence score not shown (section S2.2).

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on repeated cross-validation) with *white-matter integrity* features in rMDD-STR sample (202 cases and 202 controls, STRADL cohort)

Classif. type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC	Score
					FA	46.28% (50.39% / 42.18%)	0.445	0
PLR	Embedded	Grid search	10-fold	10-fold	MD	55.15% (53.48% / 56.78%)	0.560	7
					Combined	52.20% (51.24% / 53.16%)	0.542	1
					FA	47.17% (50.86% / 43.49%)	0.464	0
		None		-	MD	55.08% (54.23% / 55.90%)	0.569	6
	Nono				Combined	54.61% (55.61% / 53.61%)	0.544	5
	INOILE				FA	46.63% (52.75% / 40.70%)	0.471	0
		Grid search			MD	55.54% (59.16% / 51.92%)	0.560	6
					Combined	52.86% (55.83% / 49.92%)	0.526	4
SVM		None	10-fold		MD	53.04% (43.41% / 62.62%)	0.557	4
	Statistical filter	INOILE	_	10-fold	Combined	50.63% (39.91% / 61.35%)	0.528	0
		Crid coarch			MD	53.24% (51.72% / 54.76%)	0.550	4
		Gilu search			Combined	51.59% (49.20% / 54.05%)	0.523	1
	Sequential elimination	None			FA	47.12% (50.50% / 43.71%)	0.465	0
					MD	54.13% (52.89% / 55.35%)	0.559	4
					Combined	53.74% (54.01% / 53.47%)	0.541	4
		None		-	FA	48.69% (46.40% / 50.98%)	0.485	0
					MD	53.60% (51.18% / 55.91%)	0.540	4
	Nono				Combined	51.40% (46.94% / 55.87%)	0.511	0
	INOILE				FA	54.55% (66.58% / 42.53%)	0.544	4
		Grid search			MD	52.82% (53.37% / 52.26%)	0.536	3
					Combined	51.80% (56.69% / 46.91%)	0.513	1
DT		Nono	10-fold		MD	52.89% (55.77% / 50.07%)	0.545	4
	Statistical	None		10 fold	Combined	52.59% (55.64% / 49.56%)	0.539	3
	filter	Crid coarch		10-1010	MD	54.37% (56.59% / 52.15%)	0.562	6
		Gilu Search			Combined	53.25% (54.23% / 52.23%)	0.544	4
					FA	48.85% (43.87% / 53.74%)	0.486	0
	Sequential elimination	equential None			MD	53.09% (50.58% / 55.59%)	0.540	4
	emmation				Combined	49.86% (45.64% / 54.08%)	0.508	0

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers, and score for the best overall approach are highlighted in light blue. Optimisation with filter feature selection with FA features was not performed because there was only one feature significantly different between cases and controls at p < 0.05 uncorrected (Table S8).

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on single cross-validation) with *whitematter integrity* features in cMDD-UKB sample (1435 cases and 1435 controls, UK Biobank cohort)

Classif. type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC	Score
				10-fold	FA	53.07% (53.45% / 52.69%)	0.536	28
PLR	Embedded	Grid search	10-fold		MD	50.63% (50.67% / 50.59%)	0.519	9
					Combined	53.63% (52.90% / 54.36%)	0.548	55
					FA	53.24% (53.03% / 53.45%)	0.537	23
		None		-	MD	53.24% (51.91% / 54.56%)	0.540	23
	Nono				Combined	52.33% (49.96% / 54.70%)	0.540	26
	INOLIE				FA	52.68% (50.66% / 54.71%)	0.539	24
		Grid search			MD	51.84% (50.46% / 53.24%)	0.524	13
					Combined	53.69% (52.96% / 54.42%)	0.543	37
					FA	53.21% (48.71% / 57.71%)	0.544	24
SVM		None	10-fold		MD	51.19% (34.70% / 67.68%)	0.508	5
	Statistical			10-fold	Combined	52.54% (43.76% / 61.33%)	0.531	16
	filter	Grid search	-	10-1010	FA	51.81% (48.09% / 55.54%)	0.537	9
					MD	51.67% (42.38% / 60.98%)	0.520	23
					Combined	51.88% (47.88% / 55.88%)	0.521	20
	Sequential elimination	None			FA	52.44% (51.98% / 52.90%)	0.537	15
					MD	52.12% (50.80% / 53.45%)	0.534	17
					Combined	53.73% (51.08% / 56.37%)	0.549	39
	North	None		-	FA	50.45% (44.36% / 56.52%)	0.512	0
					MD	50.35% (40.15% / 60.58%)	0.513	1
					Combined	51.88% (43.28% / 60.48%)	0.523	7
	INOLIE				FA	52.09% (54.45% / 49.76%)	0.520	28
		Grid search			MD	51.99% (51.06% / 52.92%)	0.515	30
					Combined	51.12% (52.82% / 49.42%)	0.514	3
					FA	52.12% (48.76% / 55.46%)	0.533	14
DT		None	10-fold		MD	51.39% (37.92% / 64.86%)	0.513	2
	Statistical			10 fold	Combined	50.35% (39.01% / 61.67%)	0.503	0
	filter			10-1010	FA	53.17% (54.86% / 51.50%)	0.532	27
		Grid search			MD	50.69% (53.29% / 48.07%)	0.514	8
					Combined	51.15% (52.34% / 49.95%)	0.510	5
					FA	50.39% (43.03% / 57.71%)	0.501	14
	Sequential elimination	quential None mination			MD	49.79% (44.04% / 55.57%)	0.503	7
	cillinidululi				Combined	52.61% (58.74% / 46.49%)	0.527	14

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers, and score for the best overall approach are highlighted in light blue.

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on single cross-validation) with *white-matter integrity* features in pMDD-UKB-CIDI sample (3418 cases and 3418 controls, UK Biobank cohort)

Classif. type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC	Score
				10-fold	FA	52.18% (51.14% / 53.22%)	0.524	16
PLR	Embedded	Grid search	10-fold		MD	51.95% (50.26% / 53.63%)	0.529	5
					Combined	52.22% (51.14% / 53.31%)	0.532	12
					FA	51.07% (50.41% / 51.73%)	0.514	3
		None		-	MD	51.70% (48.24% / 55.15%)	0.518	6
	Nono				Combined	52.25% (53.13% / 51.38%)	0.527	19
	INUIIE				FA	52.22% (50.20% / 54.24%)	0.529	13
		Grid search			MD	51.52% (45.05% / 57.99%)	0.523	7
					Combined	51.87% (50.90% / 52.84%)	0.530	12
					FA	52.02% (47.48% / 56.55%)	0.525	10
SVM		None	10-fold		MD	52.12% (41.05% / 63.19%)	0.526	12
	Statistical			10-fold	Combined	52.22% (45.70% / 58.75%)	0.528	16
	filter		_		FA	51.62% (51.76% / 51.49%)	0.525	11
		Grid search			MD	51.64% (44.61% / 58.66%)	0.524	6
					Combined	51.86% (47.25% / 56.46%)	0.529	8
	Sequential elimination	None			FA	51.84% (50.35% / 53.34%)	0.522	6
					MD	51.05% (47.42% / 54.68%)	0.517	7
					Combined	52.68% (53.63% / 51.73%)	0.531	35
		None		-	FA	49.18% (46.39% / 51.97%)	0.499	0
					MD	50.66% (33.41% / 67.90%)	0.505	1
	Neze				Combined	51.51% (44.71% / 58.30%)	0.517	2
	inone				FA	51.17% (57.00% / 45.34%)	0.509	5
		Grid search			MD	50.41% (60.63% / 40.19%)	0.510	0
					Combined	50.15% (50.34% / 49.96%)	0.511	0
					FA	50.41% (40.79% / 60.03%)	0.509	4
DT		None	10-fold		MD	52.17% (39.29% / 65.04%)	0.523	11
	Statistical			10 (-14	Combined	51.13% (50.85% / 51.40%)	0.517	8
	filter			10-1010	FA	50.44% (55.25% / 45.63%)	0.501	4
		Grid search			MD	51.87% (54.21% / 49.53%)	0.521	11
			-		Combined	51.48% (48.65% / 54.30%)	0.519	5
					FA	49.96% (50.55% / 49.36%)	0.497	0
	Sequential	iential None ination			MD	51.00% (42.37% / 59.62%)	0.508	2
	emmation				Combined	51.23% (44.94% / 57.51%)	0.510	4

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers, and score for the best overall approach are highlighted in light blue.

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on repeated cross-validation) with *whitematter integrity* features in pMDD-UKB-ICD sample (289 cases and 289 controls, UK Biobank cohort)

Classif. type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC	Score
				10-fold	FA	54.61% (52.98% / 56.25%)	0.555	5
PLR	Embedded	Grid search	10-fold		MD	54.21% (53.22% / 55.22%)	0.555	1
					Combined	53.27% (51.69% / 54.86%)	0.547	1
					FA	54.34% (54.08% / 54.61%)	0.550	1
		None		-	MD	54.98% (56.61% / 53.37%)	0.578	6
	Nono				Combined	55.80% (56.41% / 55.21%)	0.579	11
	INUIIE				FA	53.72% (57.52% / 49.95%)	0.558	1
		Grid search			MD	54.05% (63.04% / 45.06%)	0.551	3
					Combined	55.56% (61.29% / 49.85%)	0.565	9
					FA	55.97% (57.20% / 54.77%)	0.569	11
SVM		None	10-fold		MD	56.18% (68.56% / 43.83%)	0.566	12
	Statistical			10_fold	Combined	55.73% (61.31% / 50.16%)	0.566	11
	filter		-	10-1010	FA	53.42% (56.88% / 49.97%)	0.548	1
		Grid search			MD	54.67% (64.04% / 45.31%)	0.563	1
					Combined	54.31% (56.33% / 52.31%)	0.556	2
	Sequential elimination	None			FA	54.63% (54.14% / 55.13%)	0.555	2
					MD	54.74% (55.99% / 53.52%)	0.573	3
					Combined	55.97% (56.51% / 55.44%)	0.579	11
		None		_	FA	48.44% (48.00% / 48.86%)	0.476	0
					MD	50.59% (53.37% / 47.81%)	0.508	0
	Nono				Combined	50.35% (52.69% / 48.01%)	0.504	0
	INOILE	Grid search			FA	50.90% (50.05% / 51.73%)	0.512	0
					MD	51.52% (51.11% / 51.91%)	0.531	0
					Combined	50.44% (49.05% / 51.82%)	0.518	0
					FA	51.50% (54.92% / 48.06%)	0.510	0
DT		None	10-fold		MD	52.36% (55.66% / 49.05%)	0.527	0
	Statistical			10 fold	Combined	50.35% (54.49% / 46.25%)	0.498	0
	filter			10-1010	FA	51.55% (51.36% / 51.72%)	0.519	0
		Grid search			MD	53.95% (59.54% / 48.38%)	0.546	1
					Combined	50.73% (51.28% / 50.17%)	0.511	0
					FA	49.97% (49.59% / 50.38%)	0.485	0
	Sequential elimination	equential None limination			MD	51.90% (55.35% / 48.46%)	0.515	0
					Combined	48.93% (46.41% / 51.52%)	0.474	

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers, and score for the best overall approach are highlighted in light blue. Optimisation with DT classifier, sequential feature elimination and combined feature set was only performed once (no repetitions), hence score not shown (section S2.2).

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on leave-one-out cross-validation) with *brain morphometric* features in cMDD-STR sample with replaced control participants (30 cases and 30 controls)

Classifier type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC
					Thickness	56.67% (53.33% / 60.00%)	0.583
					Surface area	43.33% (40.00% / 46.67%)	0.446
PLR	Embedded	Grid search	LOOCV	10-fold	Volume	38.33% (43.33% / 33.33%)	0.362
					Subcortical	53.33% (56.67% / 50.00%)	0.602
					Combined	61.67% (63.33% / 60.00%)	0.648
					Thickness	56.67% (53.33% / 60.00%)	0.503
					Surface area	41.67% (36.67% / 46.67%)	0.439
		None		-	Volume	36.67% (50.00% / 23.33%)	0.304
					Subcortical	53.33% (53.33% / 53.33%)	0.639
	Nama				Combined	43.33% (50.00% / 36.67%)	0.486
	None		-		Thickness	61.67% (60.00% / 63.33%)	0.570
				LOOCV	Surface area	35.00% (23.33% / 46.67%)	0.285
CVM		Grid search	LOOCV		Volume	31.67% (33.33% / 30.00%)	0.301
5 V M					Subcortical	60.00% (63.33% / 56.67%)	0.602
					Combined	48.33% (46.67% / 50.00%)	0.353
	Statistical filter	None			Combined	55.00% (50.00% / 60.00%)	0.539
		Grid search	-	10-fold	Combined	55.00% (56.67% / 53.33%)	0.564
	Sequential elimination	None			Thickness	53.33% (63.33% / 43.33%)	0.584
					Surface area	48.33% (46.67% / 50.00%)	0.492
					Volume	45.00% (63.33% / 26.67%)	0.360
					Subcortical	55.00% (50.00% / 60.00%)	0.636
		None		-	Thickness	51.67% (53.33% / 50.00%)	0.507
					Surface area	50.00% (60.00% / 40.00%)	0.438
					Volume	41.67% (50.00% / 33.33%)	0.477
					Subcortical	50.00% (50.00% / 50.00%)	0.456
	None				Combined	40.00% (50.00% / 30.00%)	0.305
	INOILE				Thickness	40.00% (53.33% / 26.67%)	0.158
					Surface area	56.67% (60.00% / 53.33%)	0.399
DT		Grid search	LOOCM	LOOCV	Volume	46.67% (40.00% / 53.33%)	0.513
DI			LOOCV	LUUCV	Subcortical	43.33% (36.67% / 50.00%)	0.464
					Combined	30.00% (20.00% / 40.00%)	0.241
	Statistical	None	-		Combined	58.33% (76.67% / 40.00%)	0.441
	filter	Grid search			Combined	53.33% (56.67% / 50.00%)	0.492
					Thickness	46.67% (56.67% / 36.67%)	0.381
	Sequential	Nono		10-fold	Surface area	61.67% (63.33% / 60.00%)	0.501
	elimination	tion			Volume	38.33% (36.67% / 40.00%)	0.351
					Subcortical	53.33% (66.67% / 40.00%)	0.454

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers are highlighted in light blue.

Case-control classification accuracies and ROC AUC measures (on leave-one-out cross-validation) with *brain morphometric* features in cMDD-STR sample with added control participants (30 cases and 60 controls) and SMOTE oversampling of minority class in the training data

Classifier type	Feature selection	Hyperparam. optimisation	Outer CV	Inner CV	Feature domain	Classification accuracy (sensitivity / specificity)	ROC AUC
					Thickness	58.89% (46.67% / 65.00%)	0.540
					Surface area	45.56% (20.00% / 58.33%)	0.450
PLR	Embedded	Grid search	LOOCV	10-fold	Volume	50.00% (40.00% / 55.00%)	0.517
					Subcortical	55.56% (50.00% / 58.33%)	0.579
					Combined	64.44% (40.00% / 76.67%)	0.531
					Thickness	67.78% (26.67% / 88.33%)	0.563
					Surface area	54.44% (13.33% / 75.00%)	0.398
		None		-	Volume	65.56% (23.33% / 86.67%)	0.478
					Subcortical	55.56% (46.67% / 60.00%)	0.567
	NT				Combined	63.33% (10.00% / 90.00%)	0.590
	None		-	LOOCV	Thickness	70.00% (10.00% / 100.00%)	0.500
					Surface area	66.67% (0.00% / 100.00%)	0.500
CVDA		Grid search	LOOCV		Volume	65.56% (0.00% / 98.33%)	0.500
SVM					Subcortical	67.78% (6.67% / 98.33%)	0.500
					Combined	66.67% (0.00% / 100.00%)	0.500
	Statistical filter	None	-		Combined	67.78% (53.33% / 75.00%)	0.702
		Grid search	-		Combined	64.44% (13.33% / 90.00%)	0.556
	Sequential elimination	None	_	10-fold	Thickness	65.56% (36.67% / 80.00%)	0.592
					Surface area	51.11% (10.00% / 71.67%)	0.393
					Volume	58.89% (23.33% / 76.67%)	0.461
					Subcortical	58.89% (46.67% / 65.00%)	0.568
				-	Thickness	52.22% (30.00% / 63.33%)	0.482
					Surface area	55.56% (30.00% / 68.33%)	0.478
		None			Volume	55.56% (30.00% / 68.33%)	0.421
					Subcortical	54.44% (36.67% / 63.33%)	0.365
	None				Combined	56.67% (36.67% / 66.67%)	0.396
	INOILE				Thickness	57.78% (43.33% / 65.00%)	0.434
					Surface area	63.33% (43.33% / 73.33%)	0.550
рт		Grid search	LOOCM	LOOCV	Volume	52.22% (40.00% / 58.33%)	0.376
DI			LOOCV	LUUCV	Subcortical	51.11% (40.00% / 56.67%)	0.432
					Combined	51.11% (46.67% / 53.33%)	0.420
	Statistical	None	-		Combined	66.67% (53.33% / 73.33%)	0.583
	filter	Grid search	-		Combined	66.67% (60.00% / 70.00%)	0.568
					Thickness	55.56% (36.67% / 65.00%)	0.408
	Sequential	Nor-		10-fold	Surface area	52.22% (33.33% / 61.67%)	0.389
	elimination	lation None			Volume	58.89% (33.33% / 71.67%)	0.458
					Subcortical	53.33% (36.67% / 61.67%)	0.388

Note: Top accuracies for SVM, PLR and DT classifiers are highlighted in light blue.