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Software and code

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Data collection No software was used for data collection, all data was downloaded from public repositories.

Data analysis Data analysis scripts are available on github: <https://github.com/dhglab/ASD-Integration-Subtypes-Manuscript>. Softwares: CQN R package version 1.16, Combat from SVA R package version 3.18, BWA-MEM version 0.7.17, Picard Tools version 2.13.2, SNFtool R package version 2.2.1, R version 2.3.2, WGCNA R package version 1.51, nlme R package version 3.1-125, TargetScan version 7.2, GREAT version 4.0.4, g:Profiler R package version 0.7, LD-score regression version 1.0.0

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bulik/ldsc/wiki/Partitioned-Heritability], Gene expression of ASD and control brains from other cortical regions (Synapse.org accession number syn11242290).

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	No sample size determinations were made in this study, all datasets were previously published and publicly available. We used all of the samples available from the published studies as our starting dataset.
Data exclusions	To balance ASD and control cohorts with respect to donor age, we removed donors with age < 10 years in the miRNA and DNA methylation datasets. To balance the 4 datasets with respect to brain bank, we excluded samples from the Oxford and MRC London Brain Banks in the DNA methylation and Histone Acetylation datasets. We also did not analyze any samples originating from the cerebellum from the previous publications.
Replication	No replication dataset was generated. We compared our results to those from previous ASD publications (Parikshak et al. 2016, Wu et al. 2016, Sun et al. 2016, Wong et al 2019) to ensure replication.
Randomization	No randomization was performed. We included biological and technical covariates in differential analyses. For mRNA expression, we ran differential expression analysis by fitting a linear mixed effect model for each gene: Expression ~ Diagnosis + Age + Sex + Region + RIN + Brain bank + Sequencing batch + seqStatPC1 + seqStatPC2 + seqStatPC3 + seqStatPC4 + seqStatPC5 as fixed effects, and brainID as a random effect. For miRNA expression, we ran differential expression analysis by fitting a linear mixed effect model for each miRNA transcript: Expression ~ Diagnosis + Age + Sex + Region + RIN + Brain bank + Proportion of reads mapping to exons + log10(Sequencing depth) + PMI as fixed effects, and brainID as a random effect. For DNA methylation, we ran differential methylation analysis by fitting a linear mixed effect model for each promoter and each gene body: Methylation ~ Diagnosis + Age + Sex + Region + Brain bank + Batch + CET as fixed effects, and brainID as a random effect. For histone acetylation, we ran differential acetylation analysis by fitting a linear mixed effect model for each H3K27ac peak: Acetylation ~ Diagnosis + Age + Sex + Region + Brain bank + CET + Fraction of reads in peaks + Duplicate read fraction + Aligned read fraction as fixed effects, and brainID as a random effect.
Blinding	No blinding was performed. All of the datasets were previously published and we had access to the metadata with diagnostic status for each individual.

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