



Supplementary Figure 1. Neurodegeneration biomarker distributions in the SNAP MDD ( $n=23$ ), A $\beta$ -/ND- MDD ( $n=23$ ) patients, and the A $\beta$ -/ND- control subjects ( $n=22$ ).

Supplementary Table 1. ROI group comparisons between the amyloid-negative MDD patients and control subjects.

| Characteristic      | A $\beta$ - MDD<br>$n = 46$ | Controls<br>$n = 22$ | p value |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|---------|
|                     |                             |                      |         |
| Frontal             | 1.11 ± 0.09                 | 1.20 ± 0.09          | <0.001  |
| Anterior cingulate  | 1.21 ± 0.15                 | 1.36 ± 0.12          | <0.001  |
| Posterior cingulate | 1.29 ± 0.13                 | 1.39 ± 0.16          | 0.012   |
| Occipital           | 1.23 ± 0.09                 | 1.29 ± 0.10          | 0.011   |
| Parietal            | 1.12 ± 0.12                 | 1.15 ± 0.08          | 0.439   |
| Precuneus           | 1.09 ± 0.10                 | 1.11 ± 0.08          | 0.586   |
| Temporal            | 1.05 ± 0.09                 | 1.14 ± 0.10          | 0.003   |
| Global cortex       | 1.11 ± 0.08                 | 1.19 ± 0.08          | 0.001   |

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| Mesial temporal | $1.00 \pm 0.09$ | $1.08 \pm 0.06$ | <0.001 |
| Hippocampus     | $1.05 \pm 0.12$ | $1.15 \pm 0.09$ | 0.001  |
| Basal ganglia   | $1.10 \pm 0.12$ | $1.22 \pm 0.09$ | <0.001 |

Abbreviations: ROI: region of interest; MDD: major depressive disorder.

p values denote the significance of differences between the MDD patients and the control subjects using the Mann-Whitney U test.

Supplementary Table 2. ROI group comparisons among the SNAP MDD, A $\beta$ -/ND- MDD, and control groups using non-PVC original data.

| Characteristic      | SNAP (A $\beta$ -/ND+)<br>MDD<br><i>n</i> = 23 | A $\beta$ -/ND-<br>MDD<br><i>n</i> = 23 | Controls<br><i>n</i> = 22 | p value | Post-hoc analyses    |                         |                     |
|---------------------|--|---|---------------------------|---------|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
|                     |  |   |                           |         | SNAP vs.<br>Controls | A-N-MDD vs.<br>Controls | SNAP vs.<br>A-N-MDD |
| Frontal             | 1.03 $\pm$ 0.10                                | 1.09 $\pm$ 0.06                         | 1.14 $\pm$ 0.08           | <0.001  | <0.001               | 0.156                   | 0.091               |
| Anterior cingulate  | 1.12 $\pm$ 0.15                                | 1.22 $\pm$ 0.08                         | 1.29 $\pm$ 0.09           | <0.001  | <0.001               | 0.094                   | 0.068               |
| Posterior cingulate | 1.22 $\pm$ 0.11                                | 1.32 $\pm$ 0.11                         | 1.35 $\pm$ 0.14           | 0.003   | 0.003                | >0.999                  | 0.032               |
| Occipital           | 1.16 $\pm$ 0.09                                | 1.23 $\pm$ 0.07                         | 1.24 $\pm$ 0.10           | 0.007   | 0.008                | >0.999                  | 0.061               |
| Parietal            | 1.03 $\pm$ 0.10                                | 1.12 $\pm$ 0.10                         | 1.08 $\pm$ 0.09           | 0.012   | 0.216                | 0.78                    | 0.009               |
| Precuneus           | 1.03 $\pm$ 0.10                                | 1.06 $\pm$ 0.06                         | 1.05 $\pm$ 0.08           | 0.701   | -                    | -                       | -                   |
| Temporal            | 0.99 $\pm$ 0.09                                | 1.04 $\pm$ 0.06                         | 1.09 $\pm$ 0.08           | 0.001   | 0.001                | 0.066                   | 0.43                |
| Global cortex       | 1.08 $\pm$ 0.09                                | 1.15 $\pm$ 0.05                         | 1.18 $\pm$ 0.08           | 0.001   | 0.001                | 0.543                   | 0.043               |
| Mesial temporal     | 0.96 $\pm$ 0.11                                | 1.03 $\pm$ 0.07                         | 1.07 $\pm$ 0.06           | <0.001  | <0.001               | 0.43                    | 0.035               |
| Hippocampus         | 1.00 $\pm$ 0.12                                | 1.09 $\pm$ 0.09                         | 1.14 $\pm$ 0.08           | <0.001  | <0.001               | 0.361                   | 0.047               |

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| Basal ganglia | 1.03 ±0.14 | 1.12 ±0.08 | 1.16 ±0.09 | 0.002 | 0.001 | 0.273 | 0.172 |
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Abbreviations: ROI: region of interest; SNAP: suspected non-Alzheimer disease pathophysiology; MDD: major depressive disorder; ND: neurodegeneration; PVC: partial volume correction.

p values denote the significance of differences among the SNAP MDD, Aβ-/ND- MDD and control groups using the Kruskal-Wallis test.

Supplementary Table 3. ROI group comparisons among the SNAP MDD, A $\beta$ -/ND- MDD, and control groups using ANCOVA.

| Characteristic      | SNAP (A $\beta$ -/ND+)<br>MDD<br><i>n</i> = 23 | A $\beta$ -/ND-<br>MDD<br><i>n</i> = 23 | Controls<br><i>n</i> = 22 | p value | Post-hoc analyses |                   |                     |
|---------------------|--|---|---------------------------|---------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|                     |  |   |                           |         | SNAP vs.<br>NC    | A-N-MDD vs.<br>NC | SNAP vs.<br>A-N-MDD |
| Frontal             | 1.06 $\pm$ 0.10                                | 1.15 $\pm$ 0.06                         | 1.20 $\pm$ 0.09           | <0.001  | <0.001            | 0.302             | 0.003               |
| Anterior cingulate  | 1.14 $\pm$ 0.16                                | 1.27 $\pm$ 0.11                         | 1.36 $\pm$ 0.12           | <0.001  | <0.001            | 0.236             | 0.006               |
| Posterior cingulate | 1.23 $\pm$ 0.13                                | 1.35 $\pm$ 0.11                         | 1.39 $\pm$ 0.16           | 0.001   | 0.001             | >0.999            | 0.007               |
| Occipital           | 1.19 $\pm$ 0.10                                | 1.27 $\pm$ 0.07                         | 1.29 $\pm$ 0.10           | 0.001   | 0.003             | >0.999            | 0.007               |
| Parietal            | 1.08 $\pm$ 0.12                                | 1.16 $\pm$ 0.11                         | 1.15 $\pm$ 0.08           | 0.015   | 0.081             | >0.999            | 0.022               |
| Precuneus           | 1.06 $\pm$ 0.11                                | 1.11 $\pm$ 0.07                         | 1.11 $\pm$ 0.08           | 0.088   | -                 | -                 | -                   |
| Temporal            | 1.01 $\pm$ 0.09                                | 1.09 $\pm$ 0.07                         | 1.14 $\pm$ 0.10           | 0.001   | 0.001             | >0.999            | 0.011               |
| Global cortex       | 1.07 $\pm$ 0.09                                | 1.15 $\pm$ 0.05                         | 1.19 $\pm$ 0.08           | <0.001  | <0.001            | 0.74              | 0.002               |
| Mesial temporal     | 0.95 $\pm$ 0.09                                | 1.05 $\pm$ 0.06                         | 1.08 $\pm$ 0.06           | <0.001  | <0.001            | 0.739             | <0.001              |
| Hippocampus         | 1.00 $\pm$ 0.11                                | 1.11 $\pm$ 0.09                         | 1.15 $\pm$ 0.09           | <0.001  | <0.001            | >0.999            | 0.001               |

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|---------------|------------|------------|------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| Basal ganglia | 1.05 ±0.12 | 1.16 ±0.08 | 1.22 ±0.09 | <0.001 | <0.001 | 0.336 | 0.002 |
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Abbreviations: ROI: region of interest; SNAP: suspected non-Alzheimer disease pathophysiology; MDD: major depressive disorder; ND: neurodegeneration; ANCOVA: analysis of covariance.

<sup>a</sup> ANCOVA was conducted to compare regional <sup>18</sup>F-florbetapir SUVRs among the three groups using age and years of education as covariates; pairwise differences among the adjusted means were further evaluated with Bonferroni correction.