Local Gyrification Index in probands with psychotic disorders and their first-degree relatives

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Abstract

Background—Psychotic disorders are characterized by aberrant neural connectivity. Alterations in gyrification, the pattern and degree of cortical folding, may be related to the early development
of connectivity. Past gyrification studies have relatively small sample sizes, yield mixed results for schizophrenia (SZ), and are scant for psychotic bipolar (BP) and schizoaffective (SZA) disorders and for relatives of these conditions. Here we examine gyrification in psychotic disorder patients and their first-degree relatives as a possible endophenotype.

**Methods**—Regional Local Gyrification Index (LGI) values, as measured by FreeSurfer software, were compared between 243 controls, 388 psychotic disorder probands, and 300 of their first-degree relatives. For patients, LGI values were examined grouped across psychotic diagnoses and then separately for SZ, SZA, and BP. Familiality (heritability) values and correlations with clinical measures were also calculated for regional LGI values.

**Results**—Probands exhibited significant hypogyria compared to controls in three brain regions and relatives with axis II cluster A disorders showed nearly significant hypogyria in these same regions. LGI values in these locations were significantly heritable and uncorrelated with any clinical measure. Observations of significant

**Conclusions**—Psychotic disorders appear to be characterized by significant regionally localized hypogyria, particularly in cingulate cortex. This abnormality may be a structural endophenotype marking risk for psychotic illness and it may help elucidate etiological underpinnings of psychotic disorders.

**Keywords**

Cortical folding; gyrification; psychosis; schizophrenia; bipolar; schizoaffective

**Introduction**

The underlying genetic architecture of psychotic disorders has proven difficult to establish, partly because of the disorders' complex nature, clinical heterogeneity, and imprecise diagnostic boundaries (1). Endophenotype strategies have been increasingly employed in efforts to identify liability-conferring genes and clarify disease etiology (2). Endophenotypes, or intermediate phenotypes, are measurable biological traits that are “interfliediate” between genotype and clinical syndrome. Because endophenotypes are presumed relatively proximal to the neurobiological action of genes, they may provide footholds in the study of the genetic underpinnings of disease (3; 4). Gottesman and Gould (5) and others (3; 6; 7) proposed criteria for useful endophenotypes, including illness association, heritability, state independence, and greater presentation in unaffected family members than in the general population.

Abnormal gyrification, the degree and pattern of folding of brain cortex, has been proposed as a schizophrenia endophenotype candidate (8). Schizophrenia is characterized by aberrant connectivity (9-11) and gyrification may be related to the early development of neural connectivity (12-15). It has been suggested that cortical connectivity development in the second trimester generates fiber tension, which draws densely connected regions together, forming bulging gyri, whereas more sparsely connected regions drift apart and are separated by inward sulci (16). The case for abnormal gyrification being an endophenotype for schizophrenia is supported by the presumed neurodevelopmental nature of the disorder, demonstrated heritability of gyrification (17) and observations of atypical cortical folding in
both schizophrenia probands (16; 18-28) and, to a lesser degree, unaffected relatives (29-31).

However, gyrification findings in schizophrenia patients are notably discordant, as studies alternately report hypogyria, hypergyria, and negative findings (Table 1). Evidence is also inconclusive in studies of other psychotic disorders, with gyrification research on psychotic bipolar disorder producing both positive (32-34) and negative findings (35; 36) while research on schizoaffective disorder remains scant. These diverse findings may be due to a variety of factors, including relatively small sample sizes and the heterogeneity of tools used to measure gyrification. In past research, gyrification has most commonly been quantified using the Gyrification Index (GI), a measure in two-dimensional space that may be dependent on imaging parameters such as slice thickness and orientation (20).

It also remains unknown whether abnormal gyrification qualifies more broadly as an endophenotype marking psychosis liability. To our knowledge, no previous study has examined gyrification in psychotic disorders treating schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, and psychotic bipolar disorder patients in the same sample. However, psychotic disorders exhibit similar characteristics including cross-cutting symptom profiles (41), overlapping diagnoses within family lineages (42-45), and common susceptibility genes (46-48). This high degree of similarity underscores the importance of evaluating candidate endophenotypes across psychotic diagnoses. It also highlights the nosological uncertainty surrounding psychotic disorders (49) and raises questions about the relationship between their etiologies.

The Bipolar-Schizophrenia Network on Intermediate Phenotypes (B-SNIP) is a multisite consortium designed to characterize potential endophenotypes across the psychosis spectrum. Here we report gyrification findings from the B-SNIP consortium calculated from three-dimensional surface reconstructions using the Local Gyrification Index (LGI). In so doing, we first evaluated the candidacy of gyrification as a psychotic disorder endophenotype. To address this question, we examined familiality of LGI measures and also examined LGI measures in first degree relatives as an overall group, as well as relatives defined by the presence of a psychopathology liability trait, i.e. axis II cluster A personality disorders (50; 51).

Second, we examined whether patterns of gyrification differ between psychosis diagnoses to evaluate specificity of this biomarker for symptom-based categories, such as schizophrenia, bipolar, and schizoaffective disorders. Precautions were taken to avoid possible medication confounds, as lithium and antipsychotic usage have been found to have structural effects (52-61).

**Methods and Materials**

We compared MRI-derived regional local gyrification index data between healthy controls, probands with schizophrenia (SZ), schizoaffective disorder (SZA), or psychotic bipolar disorder (BP), and their first-degree relatives. Data were derived from B-SNIP, which represents a 6-site (Wayne State University, Harvard University, Maryland Psychiatric
Research Center, University of Chicago / University of Illinois at Chicago, University of Texas Southwestern, and the Institute of Living / Yale University) to uncover intermediate phenotypes of psychotic disorders.

**Study Participants**

The study included 257 healthy control participants, 441 probands with a psychotic disorder (177 SZm 106 SZA, and 158 BP) and 309 of their first-degree relatives from the B-SNIP database on whom 3.0 Tesla MRI data, clinical measures, and demographic information were available.

All participants met the following inclusion criteria: (1) ages 15-65; (2) sufficient proficiency in English to understand task instructions; (3) no known history of neurologic disorders including head injury; (4) no history of substance abuse within the last month or substance dependence within the last 6 months; and (5) negative urine toxicology screen on day of testing. Control subjects met the following additional criteria: (1) no personal or family history (first degree) of psychotic or bipolar disorders; (2) no personal history of recurrent mood disorder; (3) no lifetime history of substance dependence; (4) no history of any significant cluster A axis II personality features defined by meeting full or within one criteria of a Cluster A diagnosis using the Structured Interview for DSM-IV-TR Personality (SID-P) (62). Institutional review boards at each site approved the study and all sites used identical diagnostic, clinical, and recruitment techniques (63).

All participants underwent a diagnostic interview using the Structured Clinical Interview for DSM-IV-TR (SCID-IV) (64) and were categorized by diagnosis. Relatives without psychosis and controls were also administered the SID-P. Diagnoses were made at each site by a consensus process led by a senior clinician that included reviews of results from the clinical interviews, psychiatric and medical histories, and medical records when available. Symptom ratings were completed with probands by a trained rater blind to MRI data using the Positive and Negative Symptom Scale (PANSS) (65), the Montgomery-Asberg Depression Rating Scale (MADRS) (66), and the Young Mania Rating Scale (YMRS) (67).

Clinical and structural data were available in 1014 included participants (253 controls, 179 SZ, 100 SZA, 150 BP, and 332 relatives). 83 participants (10 controls, 22 SZ, 10 SZA, 9 BP, and 32 relatives) were excluded due to motion and scanner artifacts. A chi-squared test showed that proportion of images with artifacts differed significantly between groups. 931 subjects were included in the final analysis. Mean age, race distribution, and sex distribution across diagnostic groups are presented in table 2.

**MRI-structural imaging**

Subjects were scanned in 6 sites: Boston (3.0 T, GE Signa); Detroit (3.0 T, Siemens Allegra); Baltimore (3.0 T, Siemens Trio tim); Hartford (3.0 T, Siemens Allegra); Dallas (3.0 T, Philips); and Chicago (3.0 T, GE Signa). High-resolution isotropic T1-weighted MPRAGE scans (TR=6.7 msec, TE=3.1 msec, 8° flip angle, 256×240 matrix size, total scan duration=10:52.6 minutes, 170 sagittal slices, 1mm slice thickness, 1×1×1.2 mm3 voxel resolution) were obtained following the Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative (ADNI) protocol (http://www.loni.ucla.edu/ADNI).
All images underwent rigorous data quality control. First, images were converted to NIFTI format and checked for scanner artifacts by trained raters. When images passed this pre-check, they were run through a first-level auto-reconstruction (auto-recon1) in FreeSurfer (68). After auto-recon 1, the skull stripped brains were checked for remaining dura or sinus that could interfere with accurate segmentation. When non-brain tissue was found, images were edited manually by trained raters. All raters had inter-rater reliabilities (intra-class r) above 95%. When deemed sufficiently clean for segmentation by an independent rater, images were run through auto-recon 2 & 3, in which gray matter surface area, thickness, and volume measures were extracted.

Average LGI values were calculated in 32 anatomically defined cortical parcellations in each hemisphere (69); combined they cover the entire cortex. As described and validated by Schaer et al. (70), LGI was measured by iteratively quantifying GI in spherical 3D regions of interest. Multiple overlapping spherical regions of interest (~65 cc each) were defined on the convex hull of the brain and paired with the corresponding cortical surface defined during FreeSurfer's normal processing. The LGI measure is the ratio of convex hull surface area to buried cortex surface area.

**Statistical analyses**

To identify regions showing differences in LGI between groups, we used a hierarchical approach which minimized risk of Type I error using a process with two steps: 1) a selection step and 2) a selective analysis. In the selection step, contrasts were run bilaterally on the six large functionally distinct regions of the brain (frontal, temporal, parietal, occipital, sensorimotor, and cingulate cortex). The mean LGI value of each of these large regions (“supra-regions”) was calculated by taking the average LGI value across the given region's component sub-regions, weighting by the sub-regions' surface areas. When a large region exhibited a trending difference (p<0.1), it was retained for selective analysis. In this selective analysis, for each large region passing the selection step, the initial contrast was run on its component sub-regions, Benjamini-Hochberg adjusting for the number of subregions. To avoid the problem of “double-dipping” into multiple comparison corrections, a selection step were first performed on a randomly chosen XA of the sample whereas the sub-region analysis was performed on the remaining ¾ of the sample. The two steps were thereby run on independent samples to ensure noncircular analysis (71). Outliers were handled by winsorising all values greater than three standard deviations from group means.

The effect of lithium was evaluated by employing this hierarchical analysis to compare LGI values of probands currently using as well as not using lithium. Antipsychotic effect was evaluated by correlating chlorpromazine (CPZ) equivalent dosage and regional LGI values, Benjamini-Hochberg adjusting for the number of regions. Because significant thiam effects were found, lithium usage was included as a categorical covariate in all analyses. No significant correlations were found between current CPZ equivalent dosage and LGI values, and so CPZ equivalent dosage was not included as a covariate.

All probands, all non-psychotic relatives, and all relatives with axis II cluster A disorders were compared to controls using this hierarchical analysis. SZ, SZA, and BP were then also separately compared to controls and SZ was compared to BP.
A post-hoc analysis was conducted in which a composite LGI score was calculated by taking LGI value over brain regions where all probands showed significant differences compared to controls. The composite scores of all no-psychotic relatives and all relatives with axis II cluster A disorders were then compared both to controls and probands using pairwise contrasts.

In regions where all probands differed from controls, probands’ LGI values were correlated with the riscores on clinical scales, Hochberg adjusting for the total number of correlations.

Familiality was quantified using a maximum likelihood method in Sequential Oligogenic Linkage Analysis Routines (SOLAR) version 6.2 (72). Significance of heritability was determined using a maximum likelihood ratio test comparing a model explaining phenotypic variation by family membership to a model assuming no variation is explained by family membership.

Sex, race, scanner site, handedness, duration of illness, current lithium usage, current chlorpromazine equivalent usage, age, intracranial volume (ICV), current cognitive ability (measured by Wide Range Achievement Test IV (WRAT4), a measure of premorbid intelligence (73)), and socioeconomic status (measured by Hollingshead index (74)) were tested as potential covariates for analyses. Measures were included as covariates when they both were significantly associated with regional LGI values (by ANOVAs for categorical variables and Pearson's correlations for continuous variables, Benjamini-Hochberg adjusting for the total number of cortical regions) and also differed significantly between controls, probands, and relatives (by chi-squared tests for categorical variables and ANOVAs for continuous variables). According to this process, sex, race, scanner site, lithium usage, age, and ICV qualified as covariates.

Results

Significant associations with LGI values were observed with sex in 35 regions (p<0.05), with race in 44 regions (p<0.05), with scanner site in 64 regions (p<0.01), with lithium usage in the right caudal anterior cingulate and right posterior cingulate (p<0.01), with age in 64 regions (p<0.001), and with ICV in 23 regions (p<0.05). No regions showed interactions between these variables and diagnosis on the LGI measures. No significant associations were found for handedness, chlorpromazine equivalent usage, cognitive ability, and socioeconomic status. For all of the measures significantly associated with regional LGI values, significant differences were found between controls, SZ, SZA, BP, and relatives (p<0.001), and so sex, race, scanner site, lithium usage, age, and ICV were used as covariates in all statistical analyses. Mean LGI values varied significantly between probands and controls in the right posterior cingulate, right caudal anterior cingulate, and left caudal anterior cingulate brain regions (p<0.05; d=0.17-0.19; Figure 1, Table 3). In these three regions of observed significant difference, probands exhibited hypogyrria i.e., smaller LGI values. Probands also showed trending hypogyrria compared to controls in the left posterior cingulate (p<0.06; d=0.15; Figure 1; Table 3).
No significant correlations were found in probands between any clinical measure (PANSS positive, PANSS negative, MADRS, or YMRS) and LGI values in the four regions of significant or trending observed proband hypogyria.

No significant differences with controls were found in LGI values of all relatives or relatives with axis II cluster A disorders. However, in all four regions of significant or trending observed proband hypogyria, mean LGI values were non-significantly smaller in axis II cluster A relatives compared with controls (p>0.12, d=0.07-0.22; Table 3). Over these three regions of observed proband hypogyria, relatives with axis II cluster A disorders exhibited nearly significant reductions in composite LGI score compared with controls (p<0.051; d=0.25; Table 3).

Familiality estimates for LGI were modest but significant in 43 of 68 brain regions. Familiality estimates were significant in all four regions of observed significant or trending proband hypogyria (p<0.05), with h^2R values ranging from 0.26 in the right posterior cingulate to 0.45 in the left posterior cingulate (Table 4).

Compared to controls, significant hypogyria was found in the left rostral anterior cingulate for SZ (p<0.01, d=0.26; Figure 2a, Table 5), left pars opercularis, right inferior parietal, right banks of the superior temporal sulcus, and right superior temporal for SZA (p<0.05, d=0.19-0.27; Figure 2b, Table 5), and no regions for BP (Figure 2c). No significant results were found in the direct SZ-BP comparisons.

Discussion

In this study, we found that patients with DSM-IV psychotic disorders exhibited significant hypogyria compared with controls in the right pars opercularis, right transverse temporal gyrus, bilateral posterior cingulate, and bilateral caudal anterior cingulate. Statistically trending hypogyria compared with controls was also found in patients' right superior frontal gyrus, right inferior parietal lobe, and left rostral anterior cingulate. The observed patient-control differences were all in the direction of lower patient gyrification. The consistency of this finding of hypogyria is particularly notable amid the mixed findings of hypogyria and hypergyria in previous literature in schizophrenia (Table 1) and in high risk populations (29-31; 75-77). However, this study's findings appear especially robust given its large sample size, which was more than three times the size of the next largest comparable study of which we are aware. These findings are further bolstered by the rigorous use of multiple comparison corrections and the exclusion of potentially confounded data points, such as patients using lithium.

The regions of observed patient hypogyria are among the most recently evolved cortical regions in heteromodal association cortex, which have previously been reported to exhibit developmental abnormalities in schizophrenia (78-80). Patient hypogyria was particularly localized bilaterally in the cingulate, suggesting that psychotic disorders may be characterized by abnormal cingulate connectivity. This observation is consistent with in vivo imaging (81) and post-mortem data (82) showing reduced gyral complexity in this brain region. They are also corroborated by a broader body of literature implicating structural,
function, and neurochemical evidence of cingulate alterations in psychotic disorders (83-95). This cingulate dysfunction has been postulated to disrupt the modulation of prefronto-temporal integration in schizophrenia (84). The observed temporal regions of hypogyria also are consistent with prior observations of similarly localized surface area, symmetry, and folding abnormalities in schizophrenia (96-99).

We investigated patient hypogyria as a candidate endophenotype for psychotic disorder considering the criteria suggested by Gottesman and Gould (5). Our observations lend some support to this possibility. First, abnormal gyriﬁcation was observed to be associated with psychotic disorder as patients exhibited signiﬁcant reductions of gyriﬁcation compared to controls in several cortical regions. Second, gyriﬁcation was found to be heritable as familiality estimates were signiﬁcant, albeit modest, for all six regions of patient hypogyria. These ﬁndings match prior demonstration of gyriﬁcation heritability using the two-dimensional GI measure (17). Third, the lack of signiﬁcant correlations between patients’ gyriﬁcation in regions of abnormality and both their positive and their negative symptoms points to gyriﬁcation being primarily state-independent. Fourth, unaffected family members with axis II cluster A disorders exhibited a signiﬁcant reduction in gyriﬁcation compared to controls in composite LGI over regions of patient hypogyria. Non-psychotic relatives with axis II cluster A disorders, are characterized by traits such as schizotypy that may reﬂect the genetic liability to schizophrenia (50; 51). The small sample size of the axis II cluster A subset may explain the lack of signiﬁcance in individual regions since the effect sizes of were comparable to those in the patient-control comparisons (Table 3). In the right pars opercularis, the axis II cluster A relatives exhibited markedly reduced gyriﬁcation even compared with patients. The similarity in patients’ and this relative subset’s patterns of hypogyria suggests possible continuity between axis I and axis II disorders (100-104). Future studies better powered to investigate the gyriﬁcation of individuals with axis II cluster A disorders may help inform this line of research.

The second goal of our study was to evaluate how gyriﬁcation abnormalities differ across psychotic diagnoses. We found that each psychotic diagnosis exhibited a somewhat non-overlapping proﬁle of gyriﬁcation. Schizoaffective disorder patients were observed to have the most widespread deﬁcits compared to controls. Schizophrenia patients demonstrated signiﬁcant hypogyria compared to controls bilaterally in the cingulate. Psychotic bipolar disorder patients had only one region of signiﬁcant difference compared to controls. Although the direct BP-SZ comparison yielded no signiﬁcant results, these ﬁndings of disparate gyriﬁcation proﬁles relative to controls may lend some support for the divides between psychotic diagnoses such as schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, and psychotic bipolar disorder. Particularly, the more widespread hypogyria in schizoaffective disorder and schizophrenia than in bipolar disorder suggests that hypogyria may accompany non-affective psychosis more than primary affective psychosis. Our results call into question the construct of the schizoaffective disorder diagnosis. Surprisingly, rather than appearing as a disorder intermediate to schizophrenia and bipolar disorder, schizoaffective disorder appeared to exhibit a pronounced proﬁle of hypogyria. It may be that schizophrenia and affective disorder related genetic factors that may be enriched in this population could interact to increase the likelihood of altered gyriﬁcation.
Elucidation of brain structural measures such as LGI may also help further understand the etiopathology of psychotic disorders. Schizophrenia and related psychotic disorders are now widely held to have neurodevelopmental origins, and genes involved in neurodevelopmental processes that could impact on gyrification are being increasingly implicated. For example, genes involved in neuronal adhesion and axonal elongation, such as cadherins and neuregulin have been implicated in schizophrenia and bipolar disorders. Interestingly, a recent candidate gene study showed an association in schizophrenia between polymorphisms of protocadherin 12 (PCDH12), a cell adhesion molecule involved in axonal guidance and synaptic specificity, and cortical folding (105). These leads need confirmation in larger genome-wide association studies.

Despite this study's strengths in its novelty, size, using of a whole brain-based three dimensional approach, and methodological rigor, certain limitations may constrain the generalizability of these findings. The inclusion criteria for probands, including the need for the presence of a family member willing and able to participate and cooperation with the demands of participating in a rigorous research study, may limit the sample representativeness. The somewhat higher number of exclusions of proband scans with artifacts may also limit sample representativeness. Although current lithium usage was included as a covariate and there were no effects of current antipsychotics on LGI, the possible effect of medication confounds cannot be entirely ruled out, as cumulative usage of lithium and antipsychotics was not recorded in this study. Also, the cross-sectional nature of this study precludes the possibility of investigating disease trajectories, which may be studied by instead employing longitudinal data.

Overall, our findings notably indicate that psychotic disorders are characterized by hypogyria, particularly localized in the cingulate. They also suggest that hypogyria may be a structural endophenotype marking clinical and familial risk for psychotic illness across schizophrenia, schizoaffective, and bipolar diagnostic categories. Hypogyria may thus provide an intermediate link in the pathway between psychotic disorders' genetic underpinnings and their clinical syndromes. Given this etiological foothold, next steps should include determining the genes associated with patient hypogyria. Hypogyria and its underlying genes may serve as potential means towards drawing more biologically rooted diagnostic boundaries between psychotic disorders, producing more accurate diagnoses, and identifying possible targets for treatment and intervention.

**Supplementary Material**

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Figure 1.
Effect sizes for regional contrasts demonstrating patient hypogryia
Figure 2.
Effect sizes for regional contrasts demonstrating hypogyrria by diagnosis
## Table 1
Review of gyrification research in schizophrenia after studies reviewed by White and Hilgetag (16)

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<tr>
<th>Authors (Year)</th>
<th>Patients (n)</th>
<th>Controls (n)</th>
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<th>Mean Age (SD)</th>
<th>Method for gyrification</th>
<th>Significant results (Patients compared to controls)</th>
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<td>Janssen et al. (2009) (37)</td>
<td>49</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>First episode, early onset</td>
<td>15.8 (1.5)</td>
<td>LGI</td>
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<td>54</td>
<td>54</td>
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<td>GI</td>
<td>↑ right parahippocampal-lingual cortex</td>
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<td>57</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>Adults</td>
<td>26.1 (7.5)</td>
<td>LGI</td>
<td>↓ left middle frontal, inferior frontal; bilateral superior frontal, frontopolar ↑ bilateral frontomarginal</td>
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<td>41.9 (8.0)</td>
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<td>57</td>
<td>41</td>
<td>Adults</td>
<td>26.1 (7.5)</td>
<td>LGI</td>
<td>↓ left insula, caudal superior/middle frontal, parieto-occipital sulcus, temporal, precuneus; bilateral superior temporal/inferior parietal junction, supramarginal</td>
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<td>17</td>
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<td>46</td>
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<td>Adults</td>
<td>33.2 (9.0)</td>
<td>LGI</td>
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<td>24.8 (4.7)</td>
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<td>96</td>
<td>73</td>
<td>First episode</td>
<td>21.3 (3.3)</td>
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<td>39</td>
<td>34</td>
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<td>LGI</td>
<td>↓ left insula/inferior frontal, right superior temporal at 2 years follow up ↑ Broca’s area, adjacent left insula at 2 years follow up</td>
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<td>72</td>
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<td>Adults</td>
<td>28.6 (8.9)</td>
<td>Mean Curvature</td>
<td>↑ bilaterally V1, V2, V5/MT+</td>
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<td>27.1 (5.0)</td>
<td>GI</td>
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Table 2

Demographics of included participants

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<td>n</td>
<td>243</td>
<td>157</td>
<td>90</td>
<td>141</td>
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| Mean age (sd)
| a         | 37.5 (12.3) | 34.3 (12.2) | 35.7 (12.2) | 36.6 (13.0) | 39.8 (16.1) |
| Race Distribution
| b, c      | AA 66 62% | CA 155 64% | OT 22 9%   | AA 38 42% | CA 46 51% | OT 6 7%    |
| Gender Distribution
| b         | F 129 53% | M 114 47% | F 56 36% | M 101 64% | F 50 56% | M 40 44% |
| Mean Family Hollingshead Score (sd)
| a         | 39 (15) | 42 (16) | 46 (17) | 38 (16) | 42 (16) |
| Mean total PANSS score (sd)
| a         | NA      | 66 (17) | 69 (16) | 54 (14) | NA       |
| Mean Intracranial Volume (sd)
| a         | 1450 cc (198) | 1486 cc (198) | 1389 cc (186) | 1435 cc (169) | 1435 cc (178) |
| Mean Current Chloropromazine Equivalent Dosage (sd)
| a         | 0 mg/day (0) | 349 mg/day (406) | 378 mg/day (491) | 236 mg/day (456) | 3 mg/day (28) |
| Current Lithium Usage Distribution
| b, d      | Li 0, No Li 243 | Li 42 | No Li 99 | Li 8 | No Li 82 | Li 13 | No Li 144 | Li 3 | No Li 297 |
|           | 0% 100% | 30% 70% | 9% 81% | 8% 92% | 1% 99% |

a Significantly different between groups by one way ANOVA

b Significantly different between groups by chi-squared test

c AA – African American; CA – Caucasian; OT – Other

d Li – Presently using lithium; No Li – Not presently using lithium
Table 3
Descriptive and comparative statistics for Local Gyrification Index (LGI) in regions of significant and trending proband hypogyria

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<th>Large Region</th>
<th>Region</th>
<th>Mean LGI (SE)</th>
<th>Effect sizes for contrasts to controls Cohen’s d</th>
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<td>Controls (HC) n=243</td>
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<td>1.73 (0.01)</td>
<td>1.70 (0.02)</td>
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<td>1.77 (0.01)</td>
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<td>Composite</td>
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*** p<0.001 (All p-values reflect Benjamini-Hochberg adjustment)

$ Values adjusted for age, sex, site, race, lithium usage, and intracranial volume

p < 0.06
*p <0.05
** p<0.01
### Table 4

Heritability values ($h^2_R$) for regions of observed significant or trending proband hypogyria

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<th>Region</th>
<th>$h^2_R$ (SE)</th>
<th>p</th>
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<tr>
<td>Left Caudal Anterior Cingulate</td>
<td>0.33 (0.13)</td>
<td>0.006 **</td>
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<td>Left Posterior Cingulate</td>
<td>0.45 (0.13)</td>
<td>0.0004 ***</td>
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<td>Right Caudal Anterior Cingulate</td>
<td>0.31 (0.14)</td>
<td>0.02 *</td>
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<td>Right Posterior Cingulate</td>
<td>0.26 (0.15)</td>
<td>0.04 *</td>
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*a* Heritability values calculated with a maximum likelihood method in Sequential Oligogenic Linkage Analysis Routines (SOLAR) version 6.2 (68).

* p<0.05

** p<0.01

*** p<0.001 (All p-values reflect Benjamini-Hochberg adjustment)
Table 5

Descriptive and comparative statistics for LGI in all regions where diagnosis groups exhibited significant hypogyria

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<th>Large Region</th>
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<td>Controls</td>
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<td>Schizo-affective (SZA)</td>
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<td>Right Banks STS</td>
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<td>Right Superior Temporal</td>
<td>2.31 (0.01)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cingulate</td>
<td>Left Rostral Anterior Cingulate</td>
<td>1.83 (0.01)</td>
<td>1.79 (0.01)</td>
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N.S. – Not Significant

<sup>a</sup> Values adjusted for sex, age, site, and race

<sup>b</sup> Large region contrast did not justify regional contrast