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2 ***Study of Multiplex Pedigrees***

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1 **Abstract**

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3 **Background**

4 Cognitive impairment is a key feature of psychiatric illness, making cognition an important tool
5 for exploring of the genetics of illness risk. It remains unclear which measures should be
6 prioritized in pleiotropy-guided research. Here, we generate profiles of genetic overlap between
7 psychotic and affective disorders and cognitive measures in Caucasian and Hispanic groups.

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9 **Methods**

10 Data were from four samples of extended pedigrees (N = 3046). Coefficient of relationship
11 analyses were used to estimate genetic overlap between illness risk and cognitive ability. Results
12 were meta-analyzed.

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14 **Findings**

15 Psychosis was characterized by cognitive impairments on all measures with a generalized profile
16 of genetic overlap. General cognitive ability shared greatest genetic overlap with psychosis risk
17 (average Endophenotype Ranking Value (*ERV*) across samples from a random-effects meta-
18 analysis = 0.32) followed by Verbal Memory (*ERV* = 0.24), Executive Function (*ERV* = 0.22), and
19 Working Memory (*ERV* = 0.21). For bipolar disorder, there was genetic overlap with Processing
20 Speed (*ERV* = 0.05) and Verbal Memory (*ERV* = 0.11), but these were confined to select samples.
21 Major depression was characterized by enhanced Working and Face Memory performance, as
22 reflected in significant genetic overlap in two samples.

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24 **Interpretation**

25 There is substantial genetic overlap between risk for psychosis and a range of cognitive abilities
26 (including general intelligence). Most of these effects are largely stable across of ascertainment
27 strategy and ethnicity. Genetic overlap between affective disorders and cognition, on the other
28 hand, tend to be specific to ascertainment strategy, ethnicity, and cognitive test battery.

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Introduction

Genomic variation substantially impacts risk for developing psychiatric illnesses, with heritability (h^2) estimates in the range of 0.4–0.8 (1). Recently, large-scale consortia have made tremendous strides to assemble large case-control samples (2). However, most of the genetic architecture of psychiatric disorders remains unclear (3). A complementary approach, which may provide additional insight, is to identify behaviors that overlap genetically with risk for psychiatric illness, which may also provide a rubric for prioritization of measures to be included in future research.

Cognitive abilities, which are heritable, have been frequently investigated in terms of their genetic overlap with psychiatric illness (4). However, important questions remain unanswered regarding these relationships. First, why do estimates of genetic overlap between cognitive abilities and psychiatric illness vary so considerably between studies? Prior research on this topic has mostly been conducted using family studies—either classic twin designs or extended pedigree designs—or by leveraging single-nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) data in unrelated individuals. Genetic correlations estimated via twin designs tend to be high (5), leading some to argue that they may be overestimates (6). SNP-based methods were introduced partly due to the perceived drawbacks of twin designs and to squeeze more signal from genome-wide association (GWA) data (7). However, important limitations of the SNP-based approach are that SNPs do not capture the full range of genetic variation (3) and that most approaches do not adequately account for linkage disequilibrium and variation in allele frequency (8). Pedigree designs may be well placed to provide a definitive answer to the degree of genetic overlap between risk for psychiatric illness and cognitive ability because (1) there is less confounding of genetic and shared environmental effects in pedigree than twin designs; (2) pedigree designs do not rely on population-level information regarding LD and allele frequency; and (3) pedigree designs are robust to population stratification (9).

A second question pertains to the use of broad composite measures of cognitive ability rather than specific domains or measures. General cognitive ability, or g , is a robust phenotype (10-12). However, g is a distillate of what is common across cognitive tests and is insensitive to specific sources of cognitive impairment. This is unlikely to be a problem for studies of psychotic disorders, which are associated with general cognitive impairments (13), but may be problematic for studies of affective disorders, since their cognitive profile is characterized by selective impairments (14). Selection of correct cognitive phenotypes is critical for the detection and interpretation of genetic overlap between psychiatric illnesses and cognition.

A third issue is that prior research efforts are heavily skewed toward psychosis. This is partly because cognitive impairment is considered a core feature of psychosis (13). While impairments are observed for major depression (MD) (15) and bipolar disorder (16), they are less severe. Moreover, gene discovery for affective disorders has lagged behind psychosis. Genome-wide significant hits have recently emerged in large samples for affective disorders, the phenotypic specificity in such large samples tends to be low (17). Extended designs cannot compete with GWA consortia in terms of sample size; however, it is likely that carefully conducted and ascertained pedigree studies will have more reliable and detailed phenotypes.

In the present study, we meta-analyzed four large extended pedigree samples (total $N = 3046$) to examine the genetic overlap between risk for psychiatric illness and cognitive ability. We generated profiles of genetic overlap, which provide rapid and clear understanding of the

1 direction and magnitude of pleiotropy between multiple cognitive domains and psychiatric
2 illnesses. The included samples span multiple disorders, international sites, ethnicities, and
3 ascertainment strategies. Using this approach, we attempted to answer the following questions:
4 (1) Are profiles of genetic overlap similar within disorders across sites (and by extension,
5 ethnicities and ascertainment strategies)? (2) Are profiles similar across disorders within/across
6 sites? (3) Are profiles for psychotic and affective disorders similarly generalized, or are there
7 stronger overlaps for specific measures or domains in the latter? The answers provide guidance
8 for future work aiming to more deeply phenotype cognition and psychiatric disorders.

9 10 **Methods and Materials**

11 *Samples*

12 Data comprised four samples (Costa Rican, Mexican American, Pennsylvanian and Western
13 Australian; see *Supplemental Materials* and **Tables S1-4**) with cognitive and genotype data in
14 healthy individuals and individuals with psychotic and affective disorders. Two were of Hispanic
15 ancestry (Costa Rican and Mexican American) and two were European Caucasian (Pennsylvanian
16 and Western Australian). These samples represent the subset of the Whole Genome Sequencing
17 in Psychiatric Disorders (WGSPD) consortium (9) with cognitive data. The total sample size was
18 3046, including 191, 96, and 771 patients with psychosis, BP, and MD, respectively. Broad
19 diagnostic categories were used in each instance (e.g. psychosis refers to any individual with a
20 schizophrenia, schizoaffective, BP or MD with psychosis diagnosis, and BP refers to any
21 individual with a BP I or BP II diagnosis without psychosis; **Tables S5/6**).

22 *Cognitive Assessments*

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24 Cognitive tests varied across samples, but the breadth of assessments permitted evaluation of
25 genetic overlap between measures spanning multiple cognitive domains, plus g (see
26 *Supplemental Materials*), with risk for psychiatric illness (**Table S7**).

27 *Phenotypic Effect of Diagnosis on Cognition*

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29 Group differences for each diagnosis were calculated for all cognitive measures in each site
30 using standardized mean differences (SMDs) and the absolute values were meta-analyzed using
31 the `rma` function from the `metaphor` (18) package in R (19).

32 *Heritability Analysis*

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34 Univariate variance components analyses of cognitive measures (including g) were performed in
35 SOLAR using genomic relatedness matrices that were empirically estimated (see *Supplemental*
36 *Materials*) (20). Age, age², sex and their interactions were included as covariates.

37 *Coefficient-of-Relatedness Analysis*

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39 In samples ascertained for a particular illness it is usually necessary to apply a correction to
40 avoid biasing estimation of h^2 . This was not necessary here because we did not explicitly model
41 h^2 of illness risk but instead estimated h^2 of each cognitive measure and included a coefficient of
42 relatedness (CoR) as a covariate. CoR analysis leverages the many coefficients of relationship
43 that exist between individuals in extended pedigrees to explore the genetic relationship
44 between a phenotype and a disease when the disease is not sufficiently common in the sample
45 to estimate its heritability (see *Supplemental Materials*). Here, CoR analysis was applied using
46 cognitive measures as phenotypes and psychosis, BP, and MD as diseases. Age, age², sex and
47 their interactions were included as covariates. False discovery rate (FDR) was set at 5% (21).

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1 *Profiles of Genetic Overlap*

2 The regression coefficient corresponding to the CoR, denoted by β , can be converted to a mean-
3 based endophenotype ranking value (*ERV*). *ERV* is an index of genetic overlap that varies
4 between 0 and 1, higher values indicate that the endophenotype and the illness have greater
5 genetic overlap (22). First, we graphed β estimates from the above analyses, grouping by
6 disorder across samples. Second, we converted β s to ERVs and pooled them using the metacor
7 function from the meta package in R (23) (see *Supplemental Material*). Finally, we ranked
8 cognitive measures by ERV within site.

10 **Results**

11 *Sample Description*

12 Demographics, clinical characteristics, and numbers of kinship pairings (>0.01) available for each
13 diagnosis, are summarized in **Tables S5** and **S6**. Across all samples, mean age = 42.57 years (sd =
14 16.43) and 54.17% were female.

16 *Phenotypic Effect of Diagnosis on Cognition*

17 Effect sizes for differences in performance on cognitive measures between cases and controls
18 are shown in **Tables S8-10**, which are ordered by ERV.

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20 For psychosis (**Table S8**), cognitive impairments were wide ranging (range of absolute
21 Standardized Mean Difference (SMD) = 0.15-1.20). *g* was ranked in the top-three for all sites,
22 and top in the Pennsylvanian and Western Australian sites. In the Mexican American and Costa
23 Rican samples, the greatest difference for psychosis were the Verbal Memory measure CVLT and
24 Executive Function measure PCET respectively. Meta-analysis of these effects (**Figure S1**) for
25 psychosis indicated that the largest difference observed across sites was for *g* (SMD = 1.02) with
26 consistent effects observable for all measures with the exception of Executive Function, which
27 was subject to heterogeneity.

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29 For BP (**Table S9**) and MD (**Table S10**), a handful of cognitive impairments and improvements
30 were observed (**Figures S2** and **S3** show meta-analyses). For BP, the range of absolute SMDs = 0-
31 1.18. In the Pennsylvanian and Costa Rican samples, the greatest impairments for BP were for
32 the Verbal Memory measure the CVLT. The following improvements were observed for BP
33 cases: Digit Span Backward in the Mexican American sample; Digit Span Forward in the Costa
34 Rican sample; and Emotion Recognition in the Pennsylvanian sample. The phenotypic results for
35 psychosis and BP, in particular in the Western Australian sample, should be interpreted with the
36 caveat that they are based on a small number of cases. These results have been included for the
37 sake of completeness and consistency across disorders.

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39 For MD, small to moderate impairments were observed in most samples (range of absolute SMD
40 = 0.10-0.62). In the Mexican American sample, the largest impairment was for the Digit Span
41 Forward. In the Costa Rican sample, the largest difference was for Facial Memory, where cases
42 outperformed controls. In the Pennsylvanian and Western Australian samples, MD cases
43 exhibited higher scores than controls on all tasks. For the Pennsylvanian sample, the greatest
44 difference was on Facial Memory followed by *g*. For the Western Australian sample, the greatest
45 difference was for Verbal Memory followed by *g* (see *Supplemental Materials* for meta-
46 analyses).

48 *Heritability of Cognitive Measures*

1 Heritability estimates for all tests were small to moderate (**Figure S4**). Tests that were measured
2 across different sites tended to demonstrate similar strength of heritability estimate, suggesting
3 that h^2 is similar across ethnicities and ascertainment.

4 *Coefficient of Relatedness Analysis: Generating Profiles of Genetic Overlap*

5 Significant genetic overlaps, indexed by the ERV, were observed between most cognitive
6 abilities and psychosis risk across sites (**Figure 1**). Measures were ranked by ERV in each site
7 (**Table S8**). In terms of similarities between sites (and, by extension, ethnicities and
8 ascertainment strategies), the direction of ERV effects were the same irrespective of site,
9 indicating that genetic liability was associated with worse performance on all measures. In all
10 sites, g was ranked in the top three. A number of those measures that survived FDR correction
11 (**Figure 2**) were present in at least two sites, including the: the Digit Span Forward; Executive
12 Function measure the PCET; CVLT and RAVLT; Emotion Recognition; Attention measure the CPT.
13 Thus, Verbal Memory and Working Memory ranked highly in samples of differing ethnicity and
14 ascertainment strategies. **Table 1** shows the results of a meta-analysis of ERV estimates grouped
15 by domain and ranked by magnitude of effect. The meta-analysis underscored that some
16 domains demonstrated greater genetic overlap with psychosis risk than others (e.g. g and Verbal
17 Memory). The Q -statistic, an index of heterogeneity of observed effects, is informative here,
18 since a significant Q -value indicates that domains were affected differently in different sites. For
19 example, Verbal Memory is ranked second but variation in effect size attributable to
20 heterogeneity was high indicating that similar effects were not observed in all sites. Consistent
21 effects (i.e. with minimal heterogeneity) were observed for g , Working Memory and Emotion
22 Identification.

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25 Compared to psychosis, neither risk for BP nor MD demonstrated the same wide-ranging profile
26 genetic overlap with cognition but some specific associations were observed. For BP (**Table S9**;
27 **Figure 3**) performance on the: Semantic Fluency task demonstrated genetic overlap in the Costa
28 Rican and Mexican American samples; the Facial Memory Delayed task in the Costa Rican
29 sample; and on Verbal Memory (CVLT/RAVLT) tasks in the Mexican American, Pennsylvanian
30 and Western Australian samples. In most instances, increased genetic proximity to an individual
31 with BP resulted in a decrement in performance. However, no genetic overlap between BP and
32 any cognitive measure were significant after FDR correction (**Figure 4**).

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34 Risk for MD (**Table S10**) demonstrated genetic overlap with multiple cognitive measures (**Figure**
35 **3**), a number of which withstood FDR correction (**Figure 5**), which were specific to particular
36 samples. These included the Facial Memory measures in the Costa Rican and Pennsylvanian
37 samples, where increased genetic proximity to MD improved performance. The same direction
38 of relations was observed for g in the Pennsylvanian and Western Australian samples, Spatial
39 Memory (SCAP), and Attention (CPT) in the Pennsylvanian sample, and Verbal Memory (RAVLT)
40 in the Western Australian sample.

41 *Effect of Sex on Genetic Overlap Between Depression and Cognition*

42 At the suggestion of one of the reviewers we explored whether the genetic overlap observed
43 between MD and cognition might vary by sex. We tested the significance of an interaction term
44 between genetic risk for MD (indexed by the CoR utilized in previous analysis) and sex in the
45 univariate polygenic model of each cognitive measure. This analysis was restricted to those
46 measures with ERVs withstanding FDR correction (**Figure 5**). The supplemental material contains
47 the results of these analysis (**Table S11**). Two of the measures, Facial Memory Delayed ($\beta = -$
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1 0.65, $p = 0.02$) in the Costa Rican sample and Attention measure the CPT ($\beta = -0.47$, $p = 0.04$) in
2 the Pennsylvanian sample, demonstrated nominally significant interactions between sex and
3 genetic liability for MD indexed by a CoR, indicating that the relationship between genetic
4 liability for MD and performance on these measures is somewhat stronger in men than in
5 women.

7 *Discussion*

8 We report profiles of genetic overlap, indexed by the *ERV*, between cognitive ability spanning
9 multiple domains and risk for psychiatric illness in four extended-pedigree datasets that span
10 multiple ascertainment strategies, psychiatric illnesses, and ethnicities. This is a comprehensive
11 study of the genetic link between cognition and risk for psychiatric illness in related individuals.
12 Results provide insight at the epidemiological level (i.e. the phenotypic relationship) and are
13 mechanistically informative (i.e. the genetic relationship). Not all findings are novel, however
14 the present manuscript offers a holistic view, allowing a direct comparison of findings across
15 research designs and ethnicities.

16 While GWA studies have identified numerous genomic loci that contribute to risk for psychotic
17 and affective disorders (24) much of their genetic architectures remain unclear (3). Cognitive
18 endophenotypes have the potential to provide increased understanding of the genetic
19 determinants of the psychiatric illnesses (25, 26). In future research, prioritization of which
20 cognitive measures to include is of utmost importance. Much is known regarding the phenotypic
21 overlap between certain disorders and cognitive measures, however the following question
22 remains unanswered: which measures are most likely to yield further genomic insight into
23 psychiatric illness? This question is particularly important given that efficacious phenotyping is a
24 practical requirement for the type of large-scale data collection necessary for gene identification
25 (27). Despite the established importance of pleiotropy in improving understanding of disease
26 pathogenesis, not to mention its potential for genetic risk profiling, few studies have
27 systematically investigated the extent of pleiotropy between psychiatric disease risk and other
28 complex traits, including cognition (28, 29). The present study attempts to provide a rubric for
29 future studies by creating profiles of genetic overlap between psychotic and affective disorder
30 risk and a wide range of cognitive measures.

31 In the present study univariate h^2 estimates of cognitive ability are in line with what has
32 previously been reported in the literature. Generally, h^2 estimates for g are moderate to high,
33 varying between 40-.80 (30), in the present study estimates for g were between 0.46-0.67. In
34 the literature the h^2 of individual cognitive measures vary from low to high, depending on the
35 measure in question, this is also what we observed in the present study (**Table 2**).

36 Our observed pattern of cognitive impairments in psychosis patients is consistent with previous
37 research (13), with broad ranging decrements in performance across domains. In each site,
38 increased genetic liability for psychosis was associated with lower cognitive performance. While
39 the precise ordering of measures varied between samples, there were similarities, suggesting
40 that some tests were more robustly associated with psychosis liability than others. g was in the
41 top-three of measures ranked by degree of genetic overlap (as indexed by the *ERV*). Also, the
42 genetic overlap for Verbal Memory (indexed via the CVLT and the RAVLT) and psychosis liability
43 survived multiple-testing correction in three of the four samples. One of these samples (Costa
44 Rican, of Hispanic ancestry) had a focus on BP in terms of ascertainment strategy, while the
45 other two (Pennsylvanian and Western Australian, of European ancestry) primarily recruited
46 schizophrenia patients. Other overlaps that replicated across sites included Working Memory

1 measures (Digit Span Forward, Digit Span Backward and Letter Number Sequencing) and the
2 Executive Function measure PCET; similar to the effects observed for Verbal Memory, these
3 effects were observed irrespective of ancestry and psychosis ascertainment.

4 While the genetic overlap between psychosis risk and cognitive ability is well established, the
5 replication of genetic overlap between psychosis risk and specific cognitive tests across multiple
6 samples of extended pedigrees is novel. Cognitive impairment is a particularly pernicious aspect
7 of psychosis, contributing directly to the social isolation and functional impairments (13);
8 unfortunately, there are no approved treatments for cognitive impairment in psychosis.
9 Isolating the mechanisms by which cognitive impairment arises in psychosis will be important if
10 treatments are to be identified. Our findings highlight that researchers wishing to utilize
11 cognition as an enhancer of genetic signal for psychosis risk *g* is best. However, in a situation
12 where brevity of assessment is key then a focus on some combination of Verbal and Working
13 Memory and Executive Function is key. Pleiotropic discoveries such as this can help inform
14 research that aims to identify shared biological pathways and prioritize probable causal
15 relationships (31). It was surprising that Processing Speed measures (e.g. the Digit Symbol
16 Substitution Task; DSST) did not demonstrate greater genetic overlap with psychosis risk.
17 Numerous meta-analytic studies suggest that processing speed is the single largest cognitive
18 impairment in schizophrenia (32). It is possible that, in the present sample, differences at the
19 phenotypic level between cases and controls on processing-speed performance and psychosis
20 risk were not influenced by the same genetic influences, but rather are influenced by shared
21 environmental or state dependent factors. At the very least, the results of the present study
22 suggest that measures of processing speed might not take precedence over other more highly
23 ranked domains and/or measures in genetic-pleiotropy informed research in the future (33).
24 Importantly, this is not to say that processing speed might not be informative from a clinical
25 standpoint.

26 Differences in genetic overlap profiles between psychotic and affective disorders might be
27 considered strange given that numerous studies point to overlap in the genetic loci that
28 predispose risk for these disorders (34), the reasoning being that if the genetics of the disorders
29 are similar then the ordering of genetic overlap between cognitive abilities should also be
30 similar. However, differing profiles make sense. First, the genetic correlation between liabilities
31 for psychotic and affective disorders is partial (1, 35), allowing for differences in genetic overlap
32 profiles in cognition. Second, these disorders have a high degree of clinical overlap (36), and any
33 genetic overlap might pertain to this rather than similarities in cognitive impairments per se.
34 Third, specific SNPs that influence cognitive ability in both, for example, bipolar and psychosis,
35 might still be expressed at the phenotypic level in a differing manner (37). Differential
36 phenotypic expression might be tied to molecular mechanisms (e.g. epistasis of non-overlapping
37 genetic influences) or the ways in which such alterations fit within the clinical picture.

38 An unexpected finding was that MD cases demonstrated elevated performance on some
39 measures and that those differences appeared to be genetically mediated. In two sites (Costa
40 Rican and Pennsylvanian), performance was better in MD cases than in controls on Facial
41 Memory tasks, effects that were matched by positive and significant genetic overlaps. The Facial
42 Memory task presents participants with images of faces with neutral affect, followed by a
43 testing period where the original faces are presented alongside foils, and participants indicate
44 which faces they recognize (38). Facial memory is considered a neurally and cognitively
45 dissociable trait from general cognitive ability (39). The brain has highly specialized regions and
46 networks that are preferentially activated by faces (40, 41). It has been postulated that these

1 neural underpinnings, which support this specialized ability, are specifically evolved in humans
2 for the purpose of face recognition because it is such a crucial skill for human social interaction
3 (42). We are not the first to find that depressed mood is associated with enhanced face-memory
4 ability. Healthy participants that are induced to feel sad outperform those that feel happy or
5 neutral on Facial Memory tasks (43). One explanation of this apparent advantage in MD cases
6 for Facial Memory is that depressed mood can give rise to attentional biases that benefit the
7 processing of negative stimuli i.e. a mood-congruency bias (44-46). The stimuli in the Face
8 Memory task used in the present study are neutral, which can be interpreted negatively (47).
9 However, a mood-congruency bias is unlikely to explain our results. The presence of a positive
10 genetic overlap in addition to a phenotypic effect strongly suggests that enhanced performance
11 of depressed individuals on the Facial Memory tasks is driven by trait- and not state-dependent
12 mechanisms; that is, a subset of the biological mechanisms which predispose MD risk also
13 mediate performance on these measures. The present work suggests that a circumspect
14 approach to cognitive test selection may be advantageous for MD research, where Facial
15 Memory is a potential endophenotype. Interestingly, despite the increased liability of MD in
16 women (48), and the apparent face memory advantage conferred by being female (49), the link
17 between increased genetic liability for MD and enhanced performance on the Facial Memory
18 task was more pronounced in men in the Costa Rican sample. Thus, in some populations Facial
19 Memory may be a better allied phenotype for MD in men than in women. The present study is
20 not designed to test such hypotheses but generates testable hypotheses pertaining to this issue
21 for future work.

22 When interpreting the results of the present study, a number of limitations should be
23 considered. First, associations between cognition and, for example, psychosis risk may be
24 confounded by environmental factors (e.g. in the familial environment). Second, we were
25 required to rely on high-level diagnostic categories rather than being able to make inferences
26 based on symptom-level data that would have enabled the demarcation of subgroups of
27 disorders (including age of onset, illness severity and so on). There is growing evidence that fine-
28 grained diagnostic phenotyping in genetics research is crucial for reliability and validity of
29 reported associations (50). Third, this observational study is best described as correlational and
30 as such does not allow us to make causal inferences about the impact of cognitive ability on risk
31 of psychiatric illness. Fourth, the mechanistic insights provided by the present study are limited
32 by the lack of SNP-level information, which might be used to reveal the involvement of specific
33 genes and, by extension, molecular pathways in psychiatric illness risk. Fifth, the phenotypic
34 relationship (i.e. the SMDs between cases and controls on cognitive performance) are, in some
35 cases, based on a small number of cases.

36 Despite differences in each dataset's design and population, we identified cognitive measures
37 that converge in terms of importance for particular psychiatric disorders from a genetic
38 perspective. Results are important given that efficacious phenotyping is a practical requirement
39 for the type of large-scale data collection necessary for gene identification. Despite the
40 established importance of pleiotropy (overlapping genetic influences on traits) in improving
41 understanding of disease pathogenesis, not to mention its potential for genetic risk profiling,
42 few studies have systematically investigated the extent of pleiotropy between psychiatric
43 disease risk and other complex traits, including cognition. The present study attempts to provide
44 a rubric for future studies by creating profiles of genetic overlap between psychotic and
45 affective disorder risk and a wide range of cognitive measures. Overall, the present study
46 provides future directions for etiological psychiatric research with a genetic focus by highlighting

- 1 which cognitive measures are most likely to prove fruitful when paired with psychotic and
- 2 affective illnesses.

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Declaration of Interests

The authors report no biomedical financial interests or potential conflicts of interest.

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Figure Legends

Figure 1. mERV β estimates for psychosis (CR = Costa Rican; MA = Mexican American; PA = Pennsylvanian; WA = Western Australian).

Figure 2. Genetic overlap (or ERV) profiles for psychosis (*significant after multiple testing correction; CR = Costa Rican; MA = Mexican American; PA = Pennsylvanian; WA = Western Australian).

Figure 3. mERV β estimates for bipolar (BP) and major depressive (MD) disorders (CR = Costa Rican; MA = Mexican American; PA = Pennsylvanian; WA = Western Australian).

Figure 4. Genetic overlap (or ERV) profiles for bipolar (BP) and major depressive (MD) disorders (*significant after multiple testing correction; CR = Costa Rican; MA = Mexican American; PA = Pennsylvanian; WA = Western Australian).

Figure 5. Genetic overlap (or ERV) profiles for major depressive disorder (*significant after multiple testing correction; CR = Costa Rican; MA = Mexican American; PA = Pennsylvanian; WA = Western Australian).

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