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Astrocyte Progenitors Derived from Patients with Alzheimer's Disease Do Not Impair Stroke Recovery in Mice

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BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE: Species-specific differences in astrocytes and their Alzheimer's disease (AD)-associated pathology may influence cellular responses to other insults. Herein, human glial chimeric mice were generated to evaluate how AD predisposing genetic background in human astrocytes contributes to behavioral outcome and brain pathology after cortical photothrombotic ischemia.

METHODS: Neonatal (P0) immunodeficient mice of both sexes were transplanted with induced pluripotent stem cell-derived astrocyte progenitors from AD patients carrying *PSEN1* exon 9 deletion (PSENdE9), with isogenic controls, with cells from a healthy donor, or with mouse astrocytes or phosphate buffered saline. After 14 months, a photothrombotic lesion was produced with Rose Bengal in the motor cortex. Behavior was assessed prior to ischemia and one and four weeks after the induction of stroke, followed by tissue perfusion for histology.

RESULTS: Open field, cylinder, and grid-walking tests showed a persistent locomotor and sensorimotor impairment after ischemia and female mice had larger infarct sizes, yet these were not affected by astrocytes with PSEN1dE9 background. Staining for human nuclear antigen confirmed that human cells successfully engrafted throughout the mouse brain. However, only a small number of human cells were positive for astrocytic marker glial fibrillary acidic protein (GFAP), mostly located in the corpus callosum and retaining complex human-specific morphology with longer processes compared to host counterparts. Whilst host astrocytes formed the glial scar, human astrocytes were scattered in small numbers close to the lesion boundary. A β deposits were not present in PSEN1 Δ E9 astrocyte-transplanted mice.

CONCLUSIONS: Transplanted human cells survived and distributed widely in the host brain but had no impact on severity of ischemic damage after cortical photothrombosis in chimeric mice. Only a small number of transplanted human astrocytes acquired GFAP-positive glial phenotype or migrated towards the ischemic lesion forming glial scar. PSEN1 Δ E9 astrocytes did not impair behavioral recovery after experimental stroke.

Graphic Abstract

Key Words: Alzheimer's disease **•** behavioral outcome **•** cortical stroke **•** glial chimeric mice **•** histology

Nonstandard Abbreviations and Acronyms

Αβ	Beta-amyloid
AD	Alzheimer's disease
AQP4	Aquaporin 4
CTRL	Control
DAPI	4',6-Diamidino-2-phenylindole
DCX	Doublecortin
GFAP	Glial fibrillary acidic protein
hAD	Human iPSC-astrocyte progenitors derived from AD patients
hCTRL	Healthy donor control group
HuNu	Human nuclei
iCTRL	Isogenic control group
iPSC	Induced pluripotent stem cells
mCTRL	Mouse control group
PBS	Phosphate-buffered saline
PDGFRa	Platelet-derived growth factor receptor alpha
PSEN1	Presenilin 1
SVZ	Subventricular zone

Astrocytes play a central role in normal brain function by regulating blood flow, synaptic function and plasticity, as well as maintaining balance of extracellular ions, fluids, and transmitters.¹ In response to cerebral insults such as stroke, astrocytes undergo a complex process called reactive astrogliosis characterized by hypertrophy, proliferation, and scar formation.^{2,3} Given that the changes in astrocytes are long-lasting in the perilesional cortex critical to brain reorganization and in turn functional recovery, astrogliosis could result in beneficial and/or harmful consequences.

Species-specific differences make it challenging to study the contribution of astrocytes to the stroke recovery process. Human astrocytes are more numerous⁴ and the phenotypes of human cortical astrocytes are more complex and diverse than in their rodent counterparts.⁵ Regarding stroke, human astrocytes exhibit greater susceptibility to oxidative stress compared to mouse astrocytes, due to the differences in mitochondrial physiology and detoxification pathways.⁶ In addition, different signaling pathways in astrocytes are activated in response to hypoxia and inflammation between human and mouse. Because of species-specific differences in astrocytes, ischemic pathology and recovery processes are likely to be different in experimental animals and patients, which has major implications in translational research.

About 14% of stroke patients have pre-existing mild cognitive impairment or dementia.⁷ Preexisting Alzheimer's disease (AD) increases the risk of hemorrhagic stroke⁸ and mortality after stroke.^{9–11} Experimental studies have confirmed that coexistence of AD pathology and stroke leads to exacerbated outcomes,^{12–14} possibly through activation of glial cells and upregulation of inflammatory mediators.¹⁵ Moreover, induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) -derived astrocyte progenitors from AD patients carrying AD predisposing *PSEN1* deletion in exon 9 (PSENdE9) manifest hallmarks of disease pathology, including increased β -amyloid production, altered cytokine release, and dysregulated Ca²⁺ homeostasis,¹⁶ which all may exaggerate possible ischemic pathology.

Human glial chimeric mice offer a unique model to study how human astrocytes contribute to disease pathogenesis.^{17–19} Mice transplanted with iPSC-derived astrocyte progenitors generated from patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis¹⁸ and schizophrenia^{20,21} show disease-related abnormal behavior suggesting an important role of astrocytes in disease progression. Here, we explored whether human iPSC-derived astrocyte progenitors transplanted in immunodeficient mice contribute to severity of stroke-related pathology and functional impairments after cortical photothrombosis. We hypothesized 1) that human astrocytes impact spontaneous sensorimotor recovery and 2) that PSEN1dE9-related astrocyte malfunctions lead to more severe ischemic damage and behavioral impairment.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

All animal procedures were approved by the Animal Ethics Committee (Hämeenlinna, Finland), and conducted in accordance with the guidelines set by the European Community Council Directives 86/609/EEC. Altogether three previously established iPSC lines were used in this study as approved by the committee on Research Ethics of Northern Savo Hospital district (license no. 123/2016).

Immunodeficient Rag1tm1Mom mutant mouse (The Jackson Laboratory) pups were transplanted on postnatal day 0 (P0) with human iPSC-astrocyte progenitors derived from AD patients (hAD) carrying PSENdE9, isogenic controls (iCTRL), a healthy donor (hCTRL), or mouse astrocytes or were injected with phosphate buffered saline (mCTRL). The health of mice was monitored by weight every third month and daily for food and water intake, general assessment of animal activity, and fur condition. At the age of 14 months, cortical ischemia was produced by intravenous Rose Bengal and cold light exposure. Behavioral outcome was assessed using behavioral tests sensitive for motor activity, sensorimotor performance, and gait before ischemia, at the acute phase, one week after ischemia, and at the end of the four weeks follow-up. After the follow-up, the mice were perfused for histology and stained for host and human astrocytes (Figure 1A). The exclusion criteria were decided before the experiment to include: 1) welfare problems before ischemia induction (e.g., injuries due to aggressive behavior) (n=10), 2) failure in transplantation or low cell survival based on missing human nuclei (HuNu)-positive cells in the cortex (n=5) and 3) no lesion based on histology (n=10). The final numbers of mice in experimental groups were: hAD (n=19), iCTRL (n=11), hCTRL (n=19), and mCTRL (n=17).

Rigor study criteria were followed. For cell transplantation, randomization was not possible, but the cells were prepared separately for each day in random order. If the litter consisted of more than nine pups, the litter was split in two and injected with two cell batches. Both female and male mice were included in the study, since at time of transplantation, sex of pups was not known. Behavioral testing was done on separate days for males and females. Surgery, all behavioral analysis, and histology were carried out in a blinded manner. Comprehensive details for all methods are provided in the Supplemental Material.

RESULTS

iPSCs differentiate into astrocytes

Correct differentiation of iPSC-derived astrocyte progenitors was analyzed immunohistochemically to confirm that the majority of cells were positive for astrocyte markers GFAP and/or aquaporin 4 (AQP4) before transplantation (Figure 1B).

Differences in body weight, infarct size, and number of transplanted cells

The welfare of mice was followed carefully after cell transplantation and atypical behavior was not observed. Body weight was measured every third month and there was a significant overall group effect (P<0.01) (SFigure 1A). The mCTRL group gained more weight compared to hAD (P<0.001) and hCTRL (P<0.001) mice. In addition, male mice gained more weight than females (P<0.001) (SFigure 1B) and there was a group x sex interaction (P<0.05), indicating that weight gain was different between males and females within groups.

Photothrombosis was selected for this study as it is recommended for long-term stroke recovery studies by the Stroke Recovery and Rehabilitation Roundtable Translational Working Group.²² Induction of photothrombosis by intravenous Rose Bengal injection produced limited damage in the motor cortex, not affecting the corpus callosum (Figure 2A). After excluding mice with no lesion, infarct size was not different between groups (Figure 2B), yet female mice had overall larger ischemic damage (P<0.05).

Successful cell transplantation was assessed by counting HuNu-positive cells in the cortex (Figure 2C, D). No HuNu-positive cells were detected in mCTRL mice. The number of HuNu-positive cells in ipsilateral hemisphere (lesion side) was higher in mice transplanted with hAD or isogenic cells compared to mice transplanted with hCTRL cells (P<0.05). The number of HuNu-positive cells in the ipsilateral cortex was significantly higher compared to the contralateral cortex in the hAD group (P<0.05).

While HuNu-positive cells were detected widely in the brain, the cell type marker profile and identity of cells was variable. Some HuNu cells double positive with hGFAP were detected in the corpus callosum, with platelet-derived growth factor receptor alpha (PDGFR α), a marker for oligodendrocytes in the cortex, and with doublecortin (DCX), a marker for newborn neurons in the subventricular zone (SVZ) (SFigure 2).

Locomotor activity was decreased by cortical photothrombosis

Stroke-induced functional impairments were assessed using multiple sensitive behavioral tasks. Locomotor activity was measured using the open field test. At baseline, all groups showed similar locomotor activity. The distance and velocity decreased over time after photothrombosis (P<0.01) (Figure 3A, B). ANOVA for repeated measures also showed a significant time x group interaction (P<0.05) indicating time dependent differences in distance and speed among groups. Female mice were faster compared to males (P<0.05). Counterclockwise rotation decreased in all groups after photothrombosis (P<0.001) (STable 1). Counterclockwise rotation was more robust in females (P<0.05).

Mice prefer to spend most of their time near the walls and avoid the open center²³ and this is usually further exaggerated by cerebral ischemia. Here thigmotaxis (i.e.,time near wall) at baseline was lower in mice transplanted with human iPSC-derived astrocyte progenitors (STable 1). The time spent and frequencies of visits in the center of the open field were used as a measure of anxiety-like behavior. Indeed, mice spent most of the time near the wall, only occasionally visiting the center

zone (Figure 3C, D; STable 1). Cumulative time spent in any zone was not affected by time, group, or sex.

Minor cortical lesion produced a long-lasting impairment in sensorimotor functions but not in gait

Exploratory activity and spontaneous use of impaired (contralateral) and non-impaired (ipsilateral) forelimbs were measured by cylinder test (Figure 3E). At baseline, there were no differences between groups. There was a significant time effect (P<0.001) indicating persistent impairment without recovery. However, no overall group or sex effects or time interactions were observed.

Grid walking was used to assess motor coordination during locomotion. Photothrombosis induced a significant increase in number of foot-faults by impaired forelimb with slight spontaneous recovery during the follow-up (P<0.001) (Figure 3F). There were no differences between groups or sex or interactions with time. Behavior of non-impaired forelimbs was not affected by ischemia. Foot-faults by hindlimbs were minimal and were not counted.

CatWalk was used to characterize gait in mice. Males and females were tested separately by different detection settings to correct differences in body weight. Despite different settings, however, body weight correlated with many of the gait parameters (STable 2). Only a few scattered significant differences among groups were found at baseline (STable 2), indicating that cell transplantation itself did not affect gait. Repeated ANOVA showed a significant time effect, particularly in spatial parameters (e.g., decrease in maximum contact area after photothrombosis) (SFigure 3A, STable 3). Interestingly, there was a sex x time interaction in most of the spatial parameters for both left and right limbs. As an example, a closer examination revealed a transient decrease in maximum contact area followed by an increase only in males, which were both related to changes in body weight (SFigure 3B).

Human iPSC-derived astrocyte progenitors engrafted in the corpus callosum

We next asked whether the genotype of the transplanted astrocyte progenitors affected their overall distribution in the ischemic brain. The specificity of GFAP antibodies allowed double fluorescent stainings (SFigure 4). Whilst the transplanted human cells were scattered relatively equally throughout the brain, human GFAP positive astrocytes were located mainly in the corpus callosum (Figure 4A, B). We then measured staining intensities for ipsilateral and contralateral corpus callosum. hGFAP staining was not detected in mCRTL (Figure 5A). Ipsilateral values were higher in hAD (P<0.01) and hCTRL (P<0.05) groups. Sex did not affect the values, but interestingly, there was group x sex interaction (P<0.05) in both sides, possibly due to higher values in female mice.

The integrated density for host astrocytes in mCTRL was much higher compared to human astrocytes in the corpus callosum. There was also a difference between contralateral and ipsilateral sides (P<0.001) (Figure 5B). Values for host astrocytes in the mCTRL group were lower compared to the other groups in the contralateral side (P<0.05; 0.001). No significant differences were found in the ipsilateral corpus callosum. Sex did not affect the staining intensity.

Overall, the phenotype of human astrocytes (Figure 5C) was more complex compared to host ones (Figure 5E). To analyze the astrocyte phenotype in more detail, maximum intensity projections were generated from fluorescence images, converted to binary images, and skeletonized for the measurement of process lengths and endpoints (SFigure 5). There was an overall group effect in the length of processes per cell (P<0.01) due to the increase in hAD and iCTRL groups (P<0.05; P<0.01)

(Figure 5D).

Host astrocytes but not human astrocytes formed a glial scar

To better understand the behavioral results, we delineated a 100 μ m-wide ROI at the border of the ischemic core in the cortex to measure glial responses to ischemia. Overall, integrated densities for host GFAP were much higher compared to hGFAP but were not different between the groups (Figure 6A, B, C, D). In the case of hGFAP, there was a significant overall group effect (*P*<0.001) due to lack of staining in mCTRL. mCTRL was different from hAD (*P*<0.05), iCTRL (*P*<0.01), and hCTRL (*P*<0.001) (Figure 6C). hGFAP staining intensities were higher in females (*P*<0.05).

A β deposits were not present in PSEN1 Δ E9 astrocyte-transplanted mice

To evaluate whether transplanted human cells produced A β deposits, brain sections were stained with rodent- and human-specific antibodies (SFigure 6). As positive control, sections from xxx mice were used (SFigure 6B,D). A β deposits were not seen in human control or PSEN1 Δ E9 astrocytetransplanted mice. Adjacent to lesion core, rodent A β staining was present in all groups (SFigure 6A).

DISCUSSION

We generated chimeric mice to address for the first time how human astrocytes and astrocytic PSEN1dE9 genetic background impacted the stroke severity and outcome. Infarct size or behavioral performance was not different among experimental groups, possibly due to minimal glial scar formation by human astrocytes.

A high number of HuNu-positive transplanted cells with variable phenotypes were widely distributed in the host brain after transplantation. Although not quantified, HuNu-positive cells costained with hGFAP, vimentin, PDGFR α and DCX, suggesting generation of different glial cells, oligodendrocytes and neuronal progenitor phenotype. In line, Windrem et al.^{20,24} showed that transplanted glial progenitors engraft and differentiate mainly into oligodendrocytes in the white matter in shiverer, myelin-deficient mice. In addition, the majority of host astrocytes are replaced by their human counterparts in shiverer mice, which was not the case in our study.

Only a low number of hGFAP positive cells were found in the cortex. One should note however, that in the healthy mouse brain GFAP content is low in cortex, subpopulations of resting astrocytes do not express the GFAP microfilament protein,²⁵ and GFAP immunoreactivity decreases after trauma.²⁶ The lack of GFAP expression does not necessarily prevent scar formation, as shown in GFAP^{-/-} mice.²⁷ Interestingly, the majority of human GFAP-positive astrocytes remained engrafted in the corpus callosum, distant from the cortical lesion site. Moreover, the present data showed that transplanted cells with GFAP expression retain complex human astrocyte-specific morphology in the host ischemic environment, with processes being much longer in comparison to host astrocytes, in line with the previous study.⁵

Glial response to cortical photothrombosis is extensively studied in rodents.^{28–30} Astrocytes are important in limiting early excitotoxicity and forming a glial scar to separate the ischemic core from surrounding healthy tissue, a scar which later secretes proteoglycans inhibiting axonal growth and regeneration in perilesional tissue.³¹ We showed a strong scar formation by host astrocytes most likely due to astrocyte proliferation within the region adjacent to the lesion core. In contrast, the

number of human astrocytes was small in the perilesional cortex and their participation in glial scar formation was not observed. The reason for this may be higher susceptibility of human astrocytes to oxidative stress leading to low survival rate.⁶ It may also be that human astrocytes were not activated by host ischemic signals and thus did not affect behavioral recovery as we hypothesized. Single cell RNA sequencing is needed to study further host vs. transplanted astrocyte responses to ischemic insult.

Increasing evidence suggests that cerebrovascular diseases and AD not only coexist but interact, which leads to an exacerbated outcome in experimental animals^{12,14} and patients.^{11,32,33} Importantly, astrocytes are implicated in both disease pathologies.¹⁵ Of note, iPSCs derived from AD patients with pathogenic *PSEN1 \Delta E9* mutation are characterized by increased A β 1-42 production and altered cytokine release (e.g., IL-2, IL-6, IL-10) *in vitro*.¹⁶ To our surprise, the astrocyte AD pathology did not exacerbate ischemic damage or behavioral impairment in mice, possibly due to the above discussed low number of hGFAP-positive astrocytes in the perilesional tissue. In addition, we were not able to show A β deposits in PSEN1 $\Delta E9$ astrocyte-transplanted mice indicating that pathology does not spread to host tissue.

Sex-related differences exist in many aspects of stroke from epidemiology to acute treatment and outcomes.³⁴ The importance of using both sexes in experimental studies has been highlighted most recently by the STAIR consortium.³⁵ Indeed, also in our study numerous sex-specific differences were present. It is known that reproductive hormones provide natural cerebrovascular protection in women during premenopausal years.³⁶ After that, the rates of ischemic stroke begin to increase concomitant with the onset of menopause and loss of female sex hormones³⁷ and this might have contributed to the observed larger infarct volumes in females. However, although estrous cycle was not examined, mice at age of 14 months in the present study were expected to be reproductively senescent.³⁸ In addition, there are sex-specific differences in ischemic cell death pathways, autophagy, and immune responses.^{39–41}

Our study has several technical limitations. Only iPSCs from male donors and a limited number of lines were used to keep the study design feasible. Indeed, sex-specific cellular features may lead to different responses to ischemia.⁴² The observed sex-related differences in CatWalk were mainly due to body weight, which should be carefully considered in future studies.⁴³ The follow-up time was rather long (14 months) and transplanted cells may have retracted to quiescent state or were differentiated to oligodentrocytes.⁴⁴ Although GFAP is sensitive in detecting reactive astrocytes that respond to brain ischemia, a panel of additional astrocytic markers such S100b should have been included to assess glial phenotypes and responses more precisely.⁴⁵ Last, immunodeficient nature of the mice may confound behavioral outcomes after stroke.

In conclusion, human glial progenitor cells were transplanted into neonatal Rag1 mice generating chimeric mice to recapitulate the human condition. The survival of transplanted cells was high and cells migrated widely in the host brain after cortical photothrombosis. However, only a minority had a GFAP-positive glial phenotype, formed glial scar or impaired behavioral outcome. Caution is needed in using human glial chimeric mice in stroke research.

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FIGURE LEGENDS

Figure 1. Study design (A). Representative bright field image of astrocytes matured for 7 days and fluorescence staining for GFAP and GFAP/AQP4. Nuclei are stained with DAPI (B). Scale bar=50 µm. Figure 1A was created with BioRender.com.

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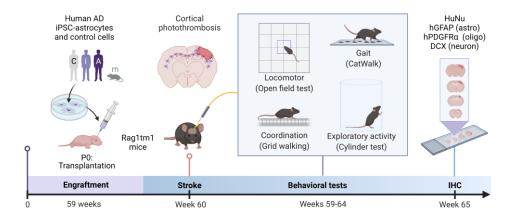
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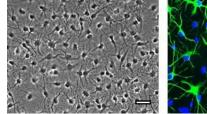
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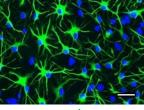
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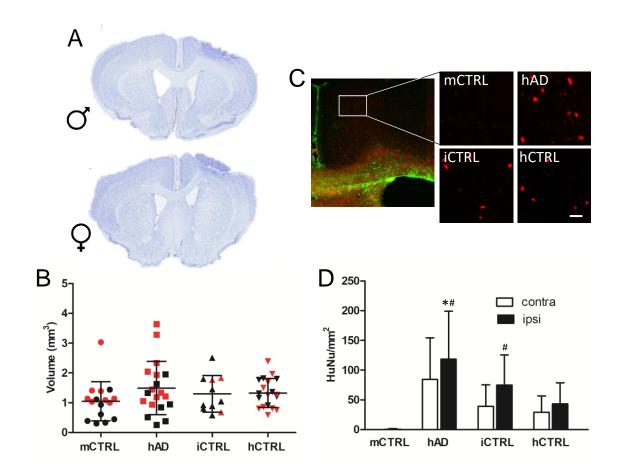
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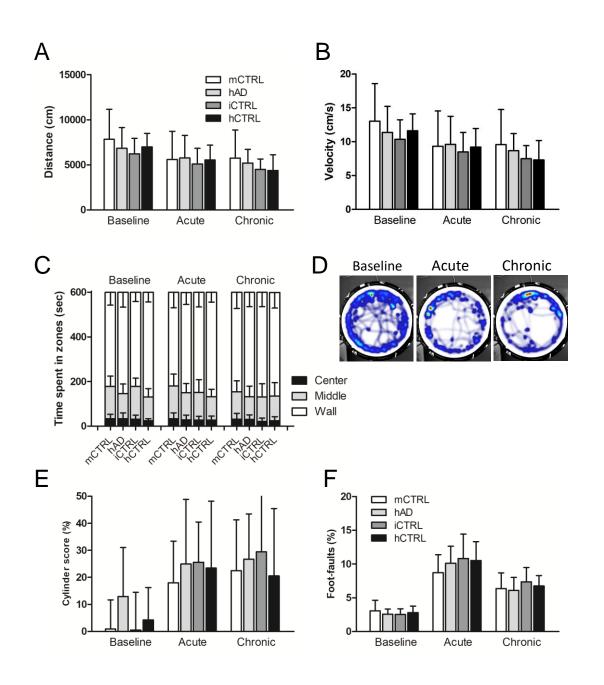


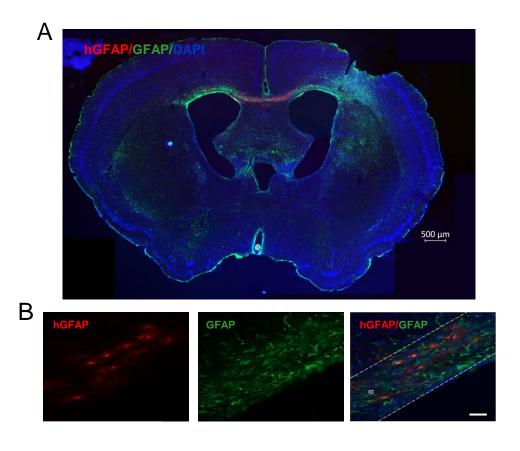
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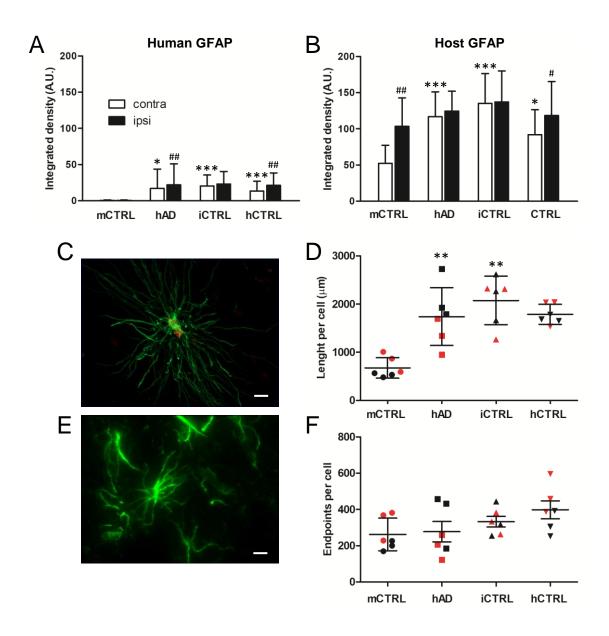


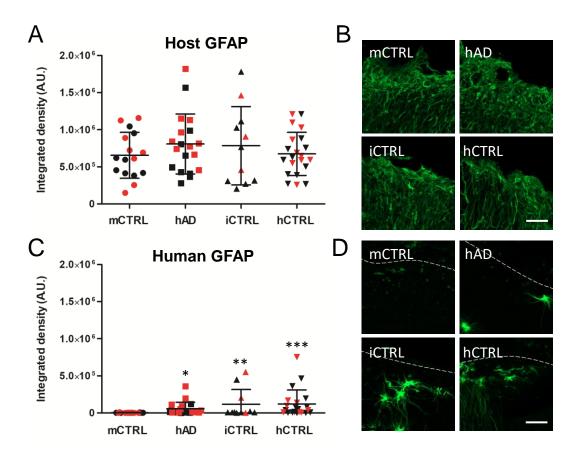
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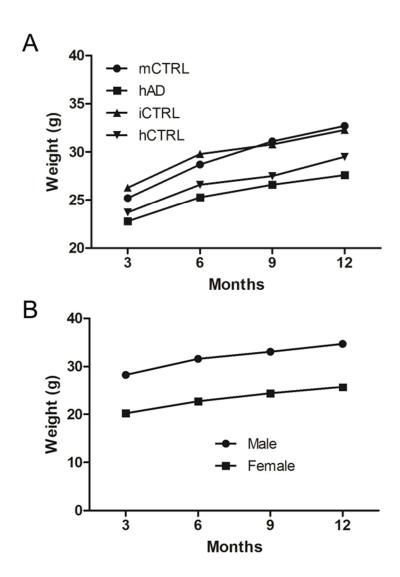
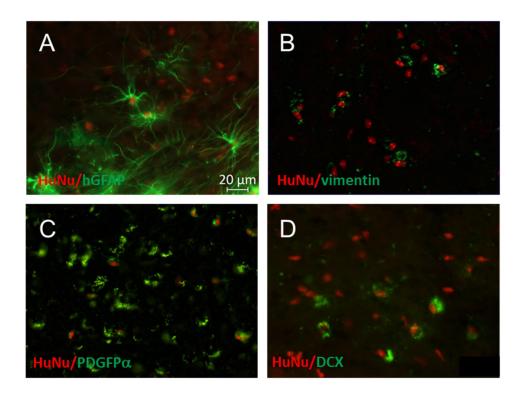
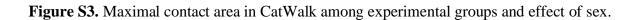


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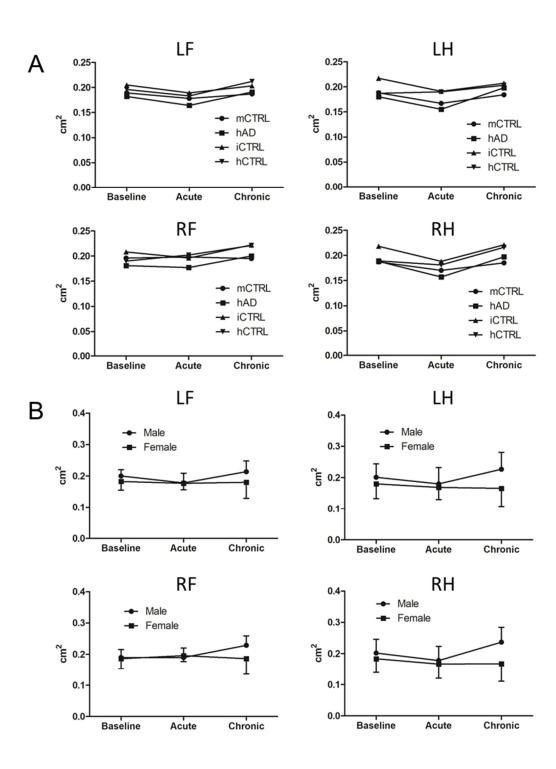


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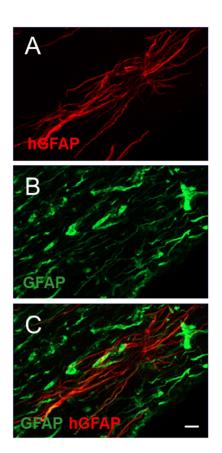


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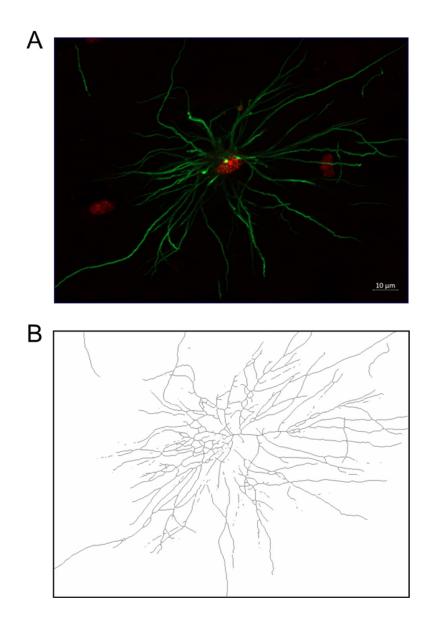
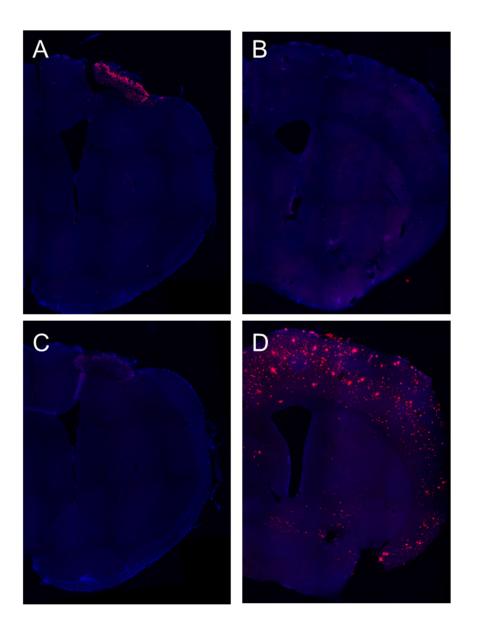


Figure S6. The representative images of rodent- (A,C) and human-specific (B,D) A β staining. As positive control, sections from APdE9 mouse were used (B,D). Adjacent to lesion core, rodent A β staining was present in all groups (A). A β deposits were not present in PSEN1 Δ E9 astrocyte-transplanted mouse (C).



SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Astrocyte Progenitors Derived from Patients with Alzheimer's Disease Do Not Impair Stroke Recovery in Mice

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Expanded Materials & Methods

Astroglial differentiation and characterization of human iPSCs

Previously established and characterized *PSEN1* exon 9 deletion (*PSEN1* $\Delta E9$) mutant iPSCs, their isogenic controls, and healthy donor iPSC lines were used in this study.¹⁶ Human iPSCs were generated under the ethical approval from the Committee on Research Ethics of Northern Savo Hospital district (license no. 123/2016) and cultured in Essential 8TM Medium (E8; Thermo Fisher) as previously described.¹⁶

Human glial chimeric mice were generated with iPSC derived astrocyte progenitors from patients with *PSEN1* $\Delta E9$ (n=2, AD2 clone A and B, male, 48 years), isogenic controls (n=2, generated from the same parental AD2 lines) and healthy donor (n=1, ctrl2, male, 62 years).¹⁶

The used astroglial differentiation protocol was modified from previously described protocols.^{46,47} Briefly, the differentiation was started with human iPSCs cultured on Matrigel-coated dishes by introducing dual SMAD inhibitors 10 µM SB431542 (Sigma) and 200 nM LDN193189 (Selleckchem) for 12 days until rosette-like structure formation emerged. The cells were detached from plates and expanded in ultra-low attachment dishes (Corning) in astrocyte media consisting of DMEM/F12, 1% N2, 1% Glutamax, 0.5% penicillin/streptomycin (50 IU/50 µg/ml) (all from Invitrogen) and 0.5 IU/ml heparin (Leo Pharma) supplemented with 10ng/ml bFGF and 10 ng/ml EGF (Peprotech). Media were changed every 2-3 days and astrospheres were split manually weekly. Spheres were maintained in suspension for 5-7 months to ensure pure astroglial cultures. For astrocyte maturation, spheres were dissociated with Accutase (Stem Cell Technologies) to single cells and plated on Matrigel-coated dishes or coverslips in astrocyte medium supplemented with 10 ng/ml BMP4 (both from Peprotech) for 7 days prior to experiments.

The dissociated astrospheres (5-7 months old) were plated and maturated for 7 days followed by characterization and transplantation. For characterization, the cells were fixed with 4 % paraformaldehyde for 20 min and further permeabilized with 0.25 % Triton X-100 in PBS (Sigma) for 1 h at room temperature (RT). After blocking with 5 % normal goat serum (Vector) in PBS at RT for 1 h, the cells were incubated with primary antibodies in PBS (GFAP, Dako, 1:500 or GFAP, Chemicon, 1:500; AQP4, Merck, 1:500) or in blocking buffer at 4 °C overnight. The second day, after washing with PBS, secondary antibodies were added (anti-rabbit Alexa Fluor 488 or antimouse Alexa Fluor 568, Molecular Probes, 1:300) and cells were incubated for 1 h at RT in the dark (STable 1). The cells were washed with PBS, and the nuclei were visualized with DAPI (Sigma, 1:2000, 5 min) before imaging with Zen Observer Z1 or Zen Imager AX10 (Zeiss).

Control mouse cell preparation

Neonatal mouse astrocytes were grown in DMEM (Gibco) supplemented with 10% FBS (Gibco) and 1% of penicillin/streptomycin (100 IU/100 μ g/ml) (Gibco) for 10-20 days. The cells were harvested in 1.2 ml TryPLE express (Gibco) supplemented with 6 ml complete medium and centrifuged for 5 min at 400g. The pellet collected was resuspended in 1 ml PBS and filtered through a cell strainer. The cells were counted, centrifuged, and resuspended at 100 million cells/ml (= 1million/10 μ l in PBS).

Procedure for cell transplantation into the brain of neonatal mice

Immunodeficient Rag1tm1Mom mutant mouse (The Jackson Laboratory) pups were transplanted on postnatal day 0 (P0). Cell suspensions (100.000 cells/µl in PBS) were prepared just before the injection. If the litter consisted of more than 9 pups, the litter was split in two and injected with two cell batches. P0 pups were anesthetized with hypothermia and fixed with the head in a stereotaxic frame (Kopf). Cell suspension (3 µl) was injected using G32 needle to the following coordinates (medial/lateral (M/L), anterior/posterior (A/P), dorsal/ventral (D/V): 0.8, 1.0, - 1.5 (0.5 µl); -0.8, 1.0, -1.5 (0.5 µl); 0.8, 2.0, -1.5 (0.5µl); -0.8, 2.0, -1.5 (0.5µl) and 0.0, -1.0 -1.5 (1µl). The rate of infusion was 0.05 µl/sec. After each injection, the needle was kept in place for 30 sec before withdrawing. The pups were placed into a 37 °C chamber with a "nest" containing material from the home cage to make sure that the dam accepted and took care of the pup after the procedure. In addition to cells from AD patients, mice were transplanted with isogenic cells, cells from healthy donor or PBS or mice astrocytes.

Cortical photothrombosis

Cortical photothrombosis was induced by photoactivation of Rose Bengal when the mice were 14 months old. Rose Bengal (Sigma) was dissolved in 0.9% NaCl in a final concentration of 15 mg/ml, filtered (Chromafil Xtra, pore size 1.20 μ m), and injected into the tail vein (3.3 μ l/g). Then mice were anesthetized with isoflurane (5% for induction, 2% for maintaining in 30% O₂ and 70% N₂O) and mounted to a stereotactic frame (Kopf). The skull was exposed with an approximate 1 cm incision along the midline. The cold light source was placed on the skull over the right motor cortex using the following stereotaxic coordinates: AP: +1.1 mm from Bregma; L: +2.0 mm. Ten min after Rose Bengal injection, the cold light with 3 mm aperture was switched on for 10 min (Olympus, Highlight 2100, 150 W). After the light exposure, the skin was sutured and the mice were treated for postoperative pain with Norocarp Vet (50 mg/kg, s.c., Norbrook) and a local analgesic (2% Xylocaine gel, Aspen Pharma).

Experimental groups

The final numbers of mice in experimental groups were: hAD (n=19), iCTRL (n=11), hCTRL (n=19), and mCTRL (n=17). The exclusion criteria were decided before the experiment to include: 1) welfare problems before ischemia induction (e.g., injuries due to aggressive behavior) (n=9), 2) failure in transplantation or low cell survival based on missing human nuclei (HuNu)-positive cells in the cortex (n=8) and 3) no lesion based on histology (n=11).

Group	Number of mice	Males	Females	Excluded males/females
mCTRL	17	9	8	3/0
hAD	19	8	11	5/3
iCTRL	11	8	3	3/3
hCTRL	19	8	11	8/3

Table. Experimental groups.

Behavioral testing

Behavioral testing was carried out at baseline and 1 week (acute) and 4 weeks (chronic) after ischemia. The mice were taken to corridor 30 min before testing. All behavioral tests were performed within the 12 h light cycle by an experimenter blinded to the treatment groups and in the fixed order of tests: cylinder, grid walk, open field, and CatWalk, with breaks between tests. The test devices were cleaned with 70% EtOH after each animal. Only males or females were handledduring

the test day. The mice were habituated to handling and behavioral testing beforehand.

The cylinder test was used to assess imbalance between impaired and non-impaired forelimbs.⁴⁸ For the test, the mouse was placed in a transparent cylinder (\emptyset 11 cm) and videotaped during exploration. A camera was placed beneath the cylinder so that behavior could be filmed from below. Five min exploratory activity was analyzed by using a Kinovea program (slow speed 50%). Number of contacts on the side of the cylinder wall by both forelimb and by either impaired or nonimpaired forelimb were counted. Cylinder score for impaired forelimb was calculated as: ((nonimpaired-impaired forelimb)/(total contacts)) x 100%.

The grid-walking test was used to measure limb placement deficits and motor coordination dysfunction during locomotion. The test apparatus was made using a 12-mm square wire mesh with a grid area of 15cm length and 20 cm wide.⁴⁹ A video camera was placed beneath the grid to allow recording foot faults during a period of 3 min. The number of foot faults for each forelimb, along with the number of correct steps, were counted, and a ratio between foot faults and total steps taken was calculated: (number of foot faults/(foot faults + number of correct steps)) x 100%.

The open field test was used to measure locomotor activity and anxiety. The open field apparatus consisted of a circular arena (\emptyset 120 cm) surrounded by a 25 cm high wall. The location andmovement of the experimental animal were recorded by a video camera-computer linkup. Start of the test was always in the same place and in the same position of the mouse in relation to the pool. The test lasted 10 min. EthoVision XT 7.0 (Noldus, The Netherlands) was used to record and analyze the speed, distance, rotation, and time spent in three circular areas of the arena (center, middle, and wall).

CatWalk XT 9 (Noldus, The Netherlands) was used for gait analysis. The intensity threshold was set to 0.07 and the camera gain was set to 16.5 (males) and 18.8 (females) based on the average weight of tested mice. The maximum allowed speed variation was set to 50%. The testing took place underred light. Mice were allowed to run back and forth on the walkway until four uninterrupted runs were collected. During the data analysis, the steps were labeled as right forepaw (RF), right hind paw (RH), left forepaw (LF), and left hind paw (LH). Faulty labels caused by tail, whiskers, or genitalia were removed.

Perfusion

On postoperative day 33 mice were anesthetized with Equitesin $(20 \,\mu\text{l/g})$ and transcardially perfused with 0.9% NaCl (5 min) followed by 4% paraformaldehyde in 0.1 M PBS, pH 7.4 (9 min, 10 ml/min) (BioRad Econo Pump, 10 ml/min). The brains were carefully removed from the skull, postfixed overnight in 4% PFA at 4 °C and cryoprotected in 30% sucrose. Brain sections (35 μ m) were cut using a sliding microtome (Leica) and sections were stored in antifreeze solution at -20 °C.

Histology

The infarct size was quantified by scanning Nissl-stained sections through the lesion. Every 10^{th} section was picked and scanned using a Hamamatsu digital slide scanner (model: C12000-02, source lens ZZ×) and measured using the Hamamatsu viewer software (NDP.view2).

Free floating sections were used for HuNu, host GFAP, human GFAP (hGFAP), plateletderived growth factor receptor alpha (PDGFR α) and doublecortin (DCX) immunostaining. Selected sections were blocked in 10% normal goat serum. Sections for doublecortin and vimentin staining were pretreated in 0.05 M tri-sodium citrate dihydrate at pH 6.0 at 80 °C for 30 min. Mouse monoclonal anti-HuNu (1:250, Merck Millipore), rabbit polyclonal anti-GFAP (1:300, Abcam), mouse monoclonal antibody specific for human GFAP (1:500, Takara), rabbit anti-PDGFR α (1:300, Cell Signaling), rabbit polyclonal vimentin (R28) (1:1000, Cell Signaling Technology) and goat polyclonal DCX C-18 (1:500, Santa Cruz Biotechnology) were used as primary antibodies and incubated overnight at 4 °C. Alexa Fluor goat anti-mouse 488 and 594, Alexa Fluor goat anti-rabbit 488 and Alexa Fluor donkey anti-goat 488 (1:400, Life Technologies) were used as secondary antibodies for 2 h at RT. Sections were mounted and cover slipped with mounting medium with DAPI (Vectashield).

Additional sections were stained for rodent and human A β . Rodent A β was examined using a rodent-specific antibody (rabbit anti-rodent A β_{3-16} , SIG-39151; Covance) or a human-specific antibody (mouse anti-human A β_{4-10} , MABN10, Merck). The sections were pretreated for 30 mins with hot (85 °C) citrate buffer. Then sections were blocked in solution containing 10% Normal Goat Serum (NGS) and Tris-buffered saline with 0.5% Triton X-100 (TBS-T) for 2 h in RT. The series of sections were then transferred to a solution containing the primary antibody (rabbit anti-rodent A β at 1:1000 or mouse anti-human A β at 1:1000), 1% NGS and TBS-T at pH 8.6. After incubation in this solution overnight on a shaker table at 4 °C, the sections were rinsed three times in TBS-T and transferred to a solution containing the secondary antibody (Alexa Fluor 594 at 1:300). After 2 h incubations at RT, the sections were rinsed three times with TBS-T and once with 0.1M PB before picking up and covering the sections using mounting medium with DAPI (H-1200, Vectashield).

Туре	Antibody	Origin	Manufacturer	Product
Primary	Aβ rodent	rabbit	Covance	SIG39151
	Aβ human	mouse	Merck	MABN10
	Aquaporin 4	rabbit	Merck	AB3594
	Doublecortin	goat	Santa Cruz	K1115
	GFAP	mouse	Chemicon	MAB360
	GFAP	rabbit	Dako	Z0334
	GFAP	rabbit	Abcam	AB7260
	GFAP	mouse	Takara	Y40420
	HuNu	mouse	Merck	MAB4383
	PDGFRα	rabbit	Cell Signaling Technology	5241
	Vimentin	rabbit	Cell Signaling Technology	39325
Secondary	anti-mouse 568	goat	Molecular Probes	A11004
	anti-mouse 594	goat	Life Technologies	A11032
	anti-mouse 488	goat	Life Technologies	A11029
	anti-rabbit 488	goat	Life Technologies	A11008
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Table. Antibodies used in immunohistochemistry.

Quantification

Fluorescence images were acquired using Zeiss Axio Imager M2 with ApoTome.2. Magnification was 20x for the cortex and the corpus callosum (z-stack interval of 1 μ m), 10x for perilesional cortex and 63x for individual astrocytes (z-stack interval of 0.28 μ m). The number of HuNu positive cells was counted by using Fiji (ImageJ) software.

HuNu-positive cells in the ipsilateral and contralateral cortices were counted in the region of interest (ROI= 0.148mm²) using the automated counting of single-color images (Figure 2C). Images were first duplicated, converted to 8-bit and to grayscale. For brightness and contrast adjustment, min and max values were set to 14 and 94, respectively. Images were converted to binary by adjusting threshold to 39 and 255. Counting cells was then performed after setting the size to 200-5000 pixel^2. Masks and outlines from the analysis were then generated and compared with original images.

Integrated density was used to determine the fluorescent intensity of hGFAP staining in the corpus callosum using Fiji software. Images were first stacked with maximum intensity projection, and background was subtracted. ROIs were outlined in the ipsilateral and contralateral side and

integrated density was then measured. Two brain sections from each animal were used to retrieve the data. For host GFAP in the perilesional cortex, a specifically written macro was run to outline a 100-µm-wide area from the glial scar border, in which integrated densities were measured.

Images taken with 63x magnification from astrocytes positive for host or human GFAP were used to receive morphological data. Skeleton analysis was done as previously described.⁵⁰ Images were first stacked with maximum intensity projection and background was subtracted. Next, the images were converted to 8-bit and grayscale before brightness and contrast were adjusted with max value set to 22. Unsharp mask and despeckle were used to further increase the contrast. Images were next converted to binaries by adjusting the threshold to 30 and 255. The quality of binary images was increased by performing functions like despeckle, close, and removing outliers with default values. Skeletonizing was performed using AnalyzeSkeleton 2D/3D plugin in ImageJ. Retrieved datasets were trimmed by measuring several fragments to first determine the cutoff value (2.0 μ m), and next to cut off undesired fragments from the process length and endpoint analysis. Process lengths and endpoints were summed and divided by the number of astrocytes/somas in each image.

Statistics

Statistical analyses were performed using SPSS software for Windows (version 27). After data was checked by the Shapiro-Wilk normality test, non-parametric Kruskal-Wallis test followed by the Bonferroni *post hoc* test was used to analyze the statistical differences between groups in infarct volume, number of HuNu-positive cells, GFAP staining intensity, and astrocyte process lengths and endpoints. Mann-Whitney U test was used to analyze sex differences. Values in the ipsilateral and contralateral hemisphere were compared by Wilcoxon signed rank test. Repeated measures ANOVA with Mauchly's test of sphericity followed by the Bonferroni *post hoc* test was used for body weight and behavioral data. Correlations between body weight and CatWalk data were determined using Pearson correlation coefficients. Data are expressed as mean \pm standard deviation (SD).

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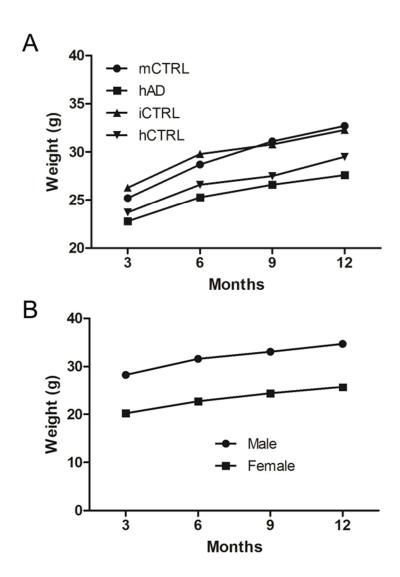
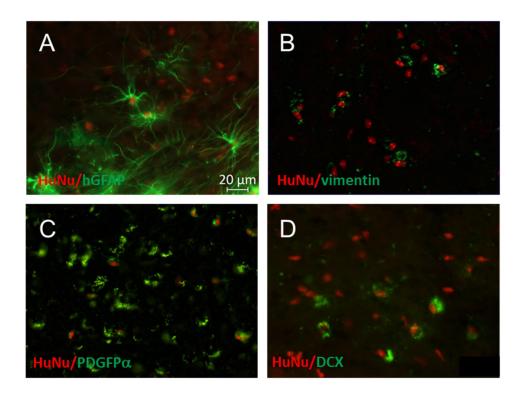
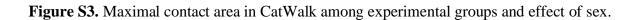


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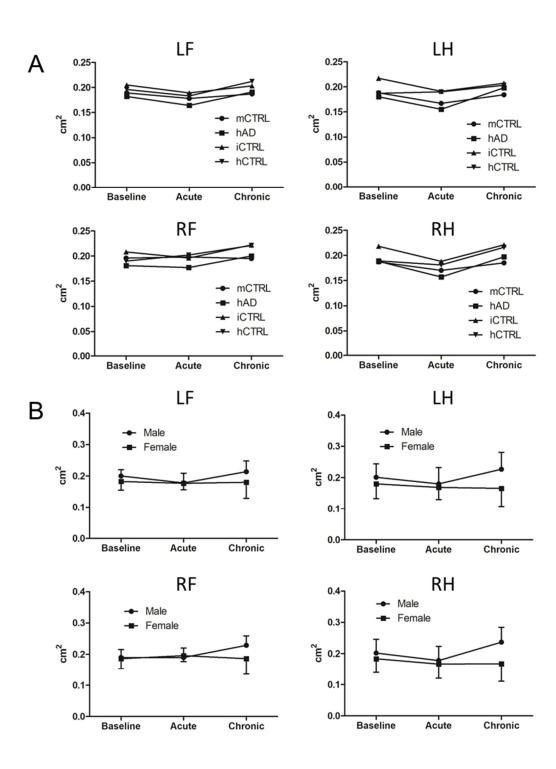


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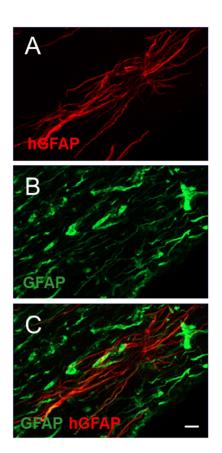


Figure S5. Fluorescence image of human astrocyte (A). Binary image skeletonized by using skeletonize function in ImageJ (B).

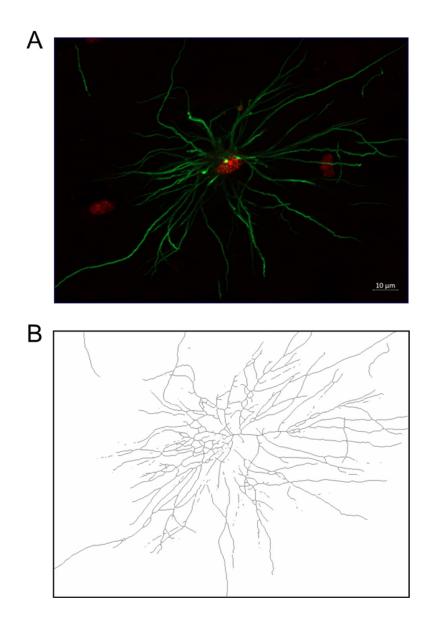
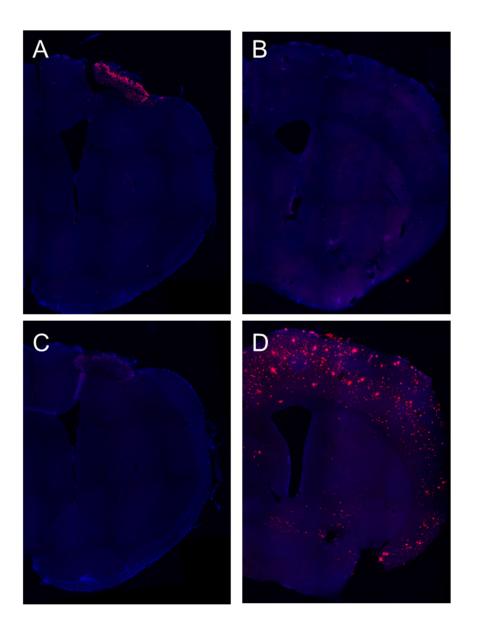


Figure S6. The representative images of rodent- (A,C) and human-specific (B,D) A β staining. As positive control, sections from APdE9 mouse were used (B,D). Adjacent to lesion core, rodent A β staining was present in all groups (A). A β deposits were not present in PSEN1 Δ E9 astrocyte-transplanted mouse (C).



Online Tables S1-S4

	mCTRL (n=17)	hAD (n=19)	iCTRL (n=11)	hCTRL (n=19)	ANOVA
Baseline					
Distance	7829±3324	6828±2309	6213±1731	6977±1500	0.338
Velocity	13.0±5.5	11.3±3.8	10.3 ± 2.8	11.6 ± 2.5	0.338
Center frequency	16.8±13.3	13.1±10.0	11.6±5.7	10.6 ± 3.2	0.221
Center cumulative	33.1±20.2	32.9±27.0	30.9±18.3	24.6±8.3	0.528
Center latency	40.7±94.1	67.1±86.0	72.6 ± 74.8	53.5 ± 68.2	0.708
Wall frequency	54.2±22.1	44.9±16.2	48.1±10.1	45.5±15.7	0.356
Wall cumulative	421.5±57.5	453.9±66.2	422.2 ± 40.8	469.2±43.4	0.032
Wall latency	4.0±6.3	0.8±2.1*	0.8±1.3	0.1 ± 0.2 **	0.006
Middle frequency	70.8±34.7	57.4±24.9	59.6±14.1	$55.4{\pm}18.1$	0.270
Middle cumulative	145.3±45.7	113.1±42.7	146.8 ± 37.5	106.1±38.1*	0.009
Middle latency	6.3±8.7	9.8±14.0	4.6 ± 8.5	7.2 ± 10.4	0.624
Rotation cw	8.5±4.6	8.5±3.8	8.0±3.7	9.0±4.9	0.938
Ration ccw	13.4±16.0	10.7±9.0	10.0 ± 2.3	10.5 ± 4.1	0.753
Movement duration	488.8 ± 68.9	471.2±65.6	463.5±84.4	491.4±49.3	0.596
Not movement duration	111.1±68.9	128.7±65.6	136.4±84.4	108.5±49.4	0.596
Acute					
Distance	5594±3128	5762±2495	5091±1738	5525±1651	0.903
Velocity	9.3±5.2	9.6±4.1	$8.4{\pm}2.8$	9.2±2.7	0.903
Center frequency	14.8 ± 13.8	11.5 ± 6.9	9.2±6.1	10.3±5.1	0.329
Center cumulative	33.4±26.3	28.7 ± 20.9	27.1±16.8	27.0±18.0	0.803
Center latency	93.0±114.1	164.1±147.7	198.2 ± 157.5	$90.4{\pm}100.8$	0.066
Wall frequency	47.6±25.7	40.8 ± 14.8	38.5±12.3	41.3±11.1	0.508

Table S1. The open field data at baseline and at acute and chronic phases.

Wall cumulative Wall latency	420.0 ± 69.6 0.5 ± 1.3	449.9 ± 54.0 0.9 ± 2.7	449.0±65.5 0.2±0.6	468.3±43.9 0.6±1.3	0.108 0.751
Middle frequency	61.9±39.0	51.7±20.4	47.0±17.9	51.3±14.7	0.420
Middle cumulative	146.6±53.0	121.4 ± 40.7	123.8 ± 57.1	104.6 ± 34.2	0.06
Middle latency	14.8 ± 42.8	17.0 ± 28.1	30.1±45.7	11.4 ± 12.8	0.509
Rotation cw	4.5±3.5	4.8±3.0	4.0±2.5	6.1±2.4	0.243
Ration ccw	12.5±15.1	13.2 ± 10.1	8.4±3.5	11.0±4.7	0.612
Movement duration	378.7±99.6	398.0±79.5	374.8±93.3	389.7±70.4	0.867
Not movement duration	221.2±99.6	201.9±79.5	225.1±93.3	210.2±70.4	0.867

Chronic

Distance	5747±3105	5199±1521	4491±1157	4384±1721	0.199
Velocity	9.5±5.1	8.6±2.5	$7.4{\pm}1.9$	7.3 ± 2.8	0.199
Center frequency	$14.4{\pm}16.2$	9.5 ± 4.9	7.6 ± 4.4	$8.8{\pm}6.2$	0.213
Center cumulative	31.0±26.6	29.9±20.7	20.8±16.0	$24.4{\pm}18.1$	0.538
Center latency	102.4±119.7	140.0±133.	139.3±141.6	$179.4{\pm}107.8$	0.350
Wall frequency	43.6±19.1	35.3±9.5	33.2±9.0	30.7±14.1*	0.048
Wall cumulative	446.1±72.2	467.8±64.8	468.4 ± 64.0	464.9±69.9	0.755
Wall latency	0.3±0.0	$0.4{\pm}1.3$	0.0±01	0.1 ± 0.6	0.593
Middle frequency	57.2±34.1	44.2±13.2	40.5±13.0	38.8±19.2	0.077
Middle cumulative	122.9±49.1	102.2 ± 47.0	110.7 ± 58.6	110.6 ± 59.9	0.719
Middle latency	33.7±59.7	40.0±63.0	25.3±33.7	52.1±56.9	0.615
Rotation cw	6.2±4.7	$6.4{\pm}2.8$	5.6 ± 2.4	6.3 ± 2.5	0.929
Ration ccw	9.0±10.5	6.2 ± 4.5	5.6 ± 3.6	6.6±3.4	0.478
Movement duration	372.8 ± 80.5	365.7±69.5	329.7±67.5	322.0±85.7	0.148
Not movement duration	227.1±80.5	234.2±69.5	270.2 ± 67.5	277.9 ± 85.5	0.148

*P<0.05; **P<0.01 (compared to mouse CTRL, Bonferroni)

	correlations	s with body we	eight	one-way Al	NOVA	
	Baseline	Acute	Chronic	Baseline	Acute	Chronic
Run characterization						
Duration (sec)	0.147	-0.080	0.160	0.931	0.190	0.705
Temporal parameters						
RF_Stand_Mean_s	0.370**	0.034	0.249*	0.805	0.764	0.720
LF_Stand_Mean_s	0.319**	0.029	0.271	0.993	0.767	0.597
RH_Stand_Mean_s	0.436***	0.339**	0.400**	0.339	0.694	0.814
LH_Stand_Mean_s	0.437***	0.265*	0.418**	0.315	0.808	0.959
RF_Swing_Mean_s	-0.026	0.482***	-0274*	0.998	0.824	0.395
LF_Swing_Mean_s	-0.032	-0.057	-0.054	0.680	0.680	0.995
RH_Swing_Mean_s	0.103	-0.250*	-0.391**	0.664	0.091	0.453
LH_Swing_Mean_s	-0.144	-0.187	-0.346**	0.532	0.612	0.748
RF_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.289*	0.896***	0.056	0.928	0.985	0.538
LF_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.199	-0.032	0.153	0.988	0.646	0.705
RH_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.395**	0.260*	0.151	0.643	0.980	0.995
LH_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.341**	0.165	0.199	0.570	0.556	0.717
RF_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.532***	0.702***	0.408**	0.855	0.307	0.490
LF_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.333**	0.082	0.294*	0.881	0.261	0.514
RH_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.362**	0.443***	0.526***	0.374	0.205	0.334
LH_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.459***	0.389**	0.476***	0.181	0.748	0.996
RF_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.140	0.713***	-0.023	0.992	0.602	0.791
LF_SingleStance_Mean_s	-0.003	0.025	-0.117	0.944	0.834	0.413
RH_SingleStance_Mean_s	-0.175	0.044	-0.298*	0.550	0.869	0.601
LH_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.022	-0.121	-0.241	0.866	0.663	0.085
RF_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.417***	0.715***	0.350**	0.934	0.227	0.977
LF_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.470***	0.118	0.383**	0.787	0.404	0.199
RH_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.547***	0.522***	0.501***	0.146	0.936	0.691
LH_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.327**	0.273*	0.485***	0.361	0.507	0.958
RF_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.494***	0.630***	0.351**	0.720	0.401	0.411
LF_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.444***	-0.018	0.372**	0.766	0.461	0.912

Table S2. Correlations between body weight and CatWalk parameters and one-way ANOVA results at baseline and acute and chronic time points.

RH_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.353**	0.279*	0.461***	0.253	0.804	0.958
LH_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.556***	0.437***	0.480***	0.053	0.406	0.684
RF_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	-0.418**	0.443***	0.250*	0.972	0.896	0.178
LF_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.030	0.425***	0.136	0.604	0.986	0.019**
RH_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.285*	0.089	-0.042	0.092	0.899	0.614
LH_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.197	-0.043	0.005	0.352	0.605	0.658
RF_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	-0.418***	-0.281	-0.361**	0.006**	0.324	0.133
LF_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	-0324**	-0.312*	-0.092	0.341	0.061	0.289
RH_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.297*	0.251*	-0.252*	0.295	0.336	0.262
LH_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.411**	0.150	-0.158	0.038*	0.155	0.132
Spatial parameters						
RF_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.222	0.072	0.256*	0.234	0.098	0.365
LF_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.290*	0.028	0.167	0.245	0.420	0.327
RH_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.209	0.181	0.350**	0.302	0.488	0.166
LH_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.263*	0.105	0.263*	0.023*	0.061	0.906
RF_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.222	0.153	0.265*	0.143	0.018*	0.144
LF_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.411**	0.016	0.136	0.108	0.428	0.485
RH_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.424***	0.374**	0.437**	0.281	0.536	0.641
LH_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.389**	0.464**	0.511***	0.084	0.009**	0.846
RF_PrintArea_Mean_cm2	0.258*	0.033	0.361**	0.139	0.046*	0.194
LF_PrintArea_Mean_cm2	0.319**	0.148	0.273*	0.160	0.170	0.322
RH_PrintArea_Mean_cm2	0.312*	0.266*	0.479**	0.206	0.312	0.307
LH_PrintArea_Mean_cm2	0.389**	0.273*	0.467***	0.131	0.040*	0.791
RF_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.370**	0.188	0.452***	0.098	0.017*	0.235
LF_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.424***	0.341**	0.391**	0.093	0.054	0.406
RH_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	-0.061	0.314*	0.527***	0.260	0.266	0.366
LH_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	-0.094	0.349**	0.531***	0.193	0.067	0.787
RF_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	-0.020	-0.427***	0.231	0.896	0.443	0.631
LF_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	-0.048	-0.284*	0.229	0.622	0.811	0.777
RH_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.082	0.001	0.249*	0.308	0.469	0.941
LH_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.121	0.025	0.294*	0.753	0.294	0.932
RF_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	-0.075	-0.514***	0.234	0.939	0.799	0.686
LF_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	-0.048	-0.331**	0.286*	0.953	0.749	0.702

RH_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	-0.089	-0.302*	0.206	0.695	0.672	0.559
LH_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	-0.131	-0.344**	0.248	0.754	0.550	0.769
RF_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.111	-0.295*	0.266*	0.704	0.302	0.587
LF_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.030	-0.166	0.233	0.530	0.566	0.590
RH_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.106	0.007	0.257*	0.360	0.503	0.934
LH_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.145	0.026	0.293*	0.710	0.259	0-935
RF_MeanIntensity_Mean	-0.024	-0.454***	0.250*	0.878	0.703	0.767
LF_MeanIntensity_Mean	-0.006	-0.286*	0.296*	0.914	0.563	0.628
RH_MeanIntensity_Mean	-0.034	-0.220	0.274*	0.565	0.573	0.601
LH_MeanIntensity_Mean	-0.045	-0.214	0.332**	0.976	0.443	0.881
RF_MinIntensity_Mean	-0.010	0.086	-0.160	0.107	0.213	0.745
LF_MinIntensity_Mean	-0.007	0.030	-0.123	0.016*	0.108	0.962
RH_MinIntensity_Mean	-0.294*	-0.431***	-0.180	0.341	0.9411	0.304
LH_MinIntensity_Mean	-0.391**	-0.414**	-0.262*	0.035*	0.687	0.207
RF_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.090	-0.316*	0.329**	0.763	0.413	0.734
LF_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.084	-0.144	0.331**	0.778	0.582	0.565
RH_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.115	-0.041	0.320*	0.336	0.503	0.857
LH_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.123	0.121	0.363**	0.874	0.250	0.916
Kinetic parameters						
RF_StandIndex_Mean	0.345**	0.236	0.376**	0.651	0.493	0.376
LF_StandIndex_Mean	0.318**	0.170	0.288*	0.894	0.926	0.858
RH_StandIndex_Mean	0.390**	0.022	0.422**	0.148	0.543	0.890
LH_StandIndex_Mean	0.374**	0.068	0.398**	0.041*	0.556	0.431
RF_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.023	-0.644***	-0.131	0.716	0.453	0.580
LF_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.018	0.190	-0.188	0.514	0.162	0.610
RH_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.094	0.439***	0.258*	0.039*	0.320	0.090
LH_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.228	0.359**	0.331*	0.010*	0.053	0.749
Interlimb coordination						
BOS_FrontPaws_Mean_cm	0.097	-0.104	0.046	0.460	0.769	0.677
BOS_HindPaws_Mean_cm	0.321**	-0.141	0.172	0.376	0.452	0.149
PrintPositions_RightPaws_Mean_cm	0.289*	-0.054	0.076	0.414	0.544	0.406
PrintPositions_LeftPaws_Mean_cm	0.101	-0.154	0.139	0.862	0.977	0.446
StepSequence_NumberOfPatterns	-0.070	0.059	0.213	0.878	0.895	0.407

StepSequence_CA_percents	-0.092	0.176	-0.132	0.267	0.822	0.010**
StepSequence_CB_percents	0.229	0.016	0.116	0.100	0.455	0.571
StepSequence_AA_percents	-0.199	-0.001	-0.093	0.127	0.048*	0.057
StepSequence_AB_percents	0.079	-0.064	0.133	0.151	0.153	0.948
StepSequence_RA_percents	-0.012	-0.231	0.033	0.489	0.754	0.690
StepSequence_RB_percents	0.183	-0.139	-0.127	0.172	0.555	0.175
StepSequence_RegularityIndex_percents	-0.027	0.267*	0.005	0.670	0.445	0.155
PhaseDispersions_RF_LH_Mean	-0.171	-0.276*	0.258*	0.390	0.573	0.347
PhaseDispersions_LF_RH_Mean	0.006	-0.197	0.318**	0.381	0.311	0.831
PhaseDispersions_LH_RH_Mean	0.209	0.226	0.096	0.429	0.317	0.038*
PhaseDispersions_LF_RF_Mean	0.101	0.069	0.029	0.269	0.487	0.515
PhaseDispersions_RF_RH_Mean	0.051	0.134	0.133	0.056	0.660	0.766
PhaseDispersions_LF_LH_Mean	0.224	0.150	0.086	0.625	0.434	0.595

Table S3. Repeated ANOVA showing time effect and time x group and time x sex interactions for CatWalk parameters.

	Tests of be effects	Tests of between-subjects effects		Tests of within-subjects effects		
Run characterization	Group	Sex	Time	Time x Group interaction	Time x Sex interaction	
Duration (sec)	0.079	0.165	0.442	0.950	0.523	
Temporal parameters						
RF_Stand_Mean_s	0.371	0.013	0.737	0.813	0.352	
LF_Stand_Mean_s	0.277	0.026	0.988	0.806	0.215	
RH_Stand_Mean_s	0.614	0.002	0.132	0.604	0.906	
LH_Stand_Mean_s	0.867	0.001	0.734	0.526	0.499	
RF_Swing_Mean_s	0.681	0.008	0.094	0.642	0.001	
LF_Swing_Mean_s	0.948	0.373	0.841	0.722	0.334	
RH_Swing_Mean_s	0.214	0.029	0.193	0.722	0.000	
LH_Swing_Mean_s	0.960	0.020	0.349	0.402	0.002	
RF_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.808	0.227	0.947	0.670	0.279	
LF_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.328	0.235	0.956	0.934	0.234	
RH_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.958	0.022	0.302	0.934	0.310	
LH_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.676	0.046	0.225	0.687	0.432	
RF_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.012	0.000	0.145	0.748	0.029	
LF_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.801	0.000	0.019	0.739	0.010	
RH_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.270	0.001	0.070	0.709	0.017	
LH_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.955	0.000	0.784	0.583	0.040	
RF_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.941	0.937	0.826	0.616	0.227	
LF_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.967	0.777	0.381	0.105	0.333	
RH_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.930	0.459	0.118	0.553	0.201	
LH_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.584	0.843	0.000	0.637	0.302	
RF_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.232	0.001	0.713	0.782	0.246	
LF_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.014	0.000	0.092	0.598	0.085	
RH_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.675	0.000	0.494	0.710	0.515	
LH_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.891	0.000	0.462	0.681	0.294	

RF_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.061	0.000	0.393	0.490	0.207
LF_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.245	0.000	0.812	0.850	0.203
RH_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.888	0.001	0.213	0.712	0.362
LH_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.579	0.000	0.345	0.045	0.819
RF_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.268	0.000	0.462	0.376	0.233
LF_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.069	0.000	0.030	0.040	0.209
RH_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.785	0.412	0.349	0.209	0.110
LH_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.830	0.416	0.131	0.067	0.224
RF_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.097	0.025	0.055	0.674	0.444
LF_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.125	0.012	0.000	0.812	0.694
RH_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.174	0.890	0.063	0.731	0.004
LH_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.086	0.419	0.901	0.116	0.570
Spatial parameters					
RF_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.264	0.519	0.692	0.100	0.003
LF_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.165	0.620	0.251	0.548	0.008
RH_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.317	0.058	0.317	0.517	0.006
LH_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.222	0.291	0.841	0.204	0.019
RF_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.067	0.035	0.966	0.381	0.001
LF_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.303	0.501	0.283	0.457	0.009
RH_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.651	0.001	0.017	0.909	0.018
LH_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.288	0.000	0.109	0.134	0.006
RF_PrintArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.139	0.217	0.023	0.054	0.006
LF_PrintArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.210	0.196	0.037	0.206	0.001
RH_PrintArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.365	0.003	0.007	0.454	0.000
LH_PrintArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.572	0.014	0.022	0.114	0.002
RF_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.134	0.007	0.035	0.076	0.000
LF_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.148	0.006	0.006	0.276	0.001
RH_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.474	0.002	0.001	0.310	0.000
LH_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.335	0.001	0.002	0.160	0.000
RF_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.326	0.868	0.000	0.551	0.000
LF_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.820	0.320	0001	0.616	0.000
RH_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.566	0.545	0.016	0.470	0.000
LH_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.621	0.122	0.059	0.567	0.000

RF_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	0.943	0.000	0.000	0.842	0.009
LF_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	0.642	0.191	0.067	0.643	0.000
RH_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	0.678	0.093	0.071	0.095	0.000
LH_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	0.621	0.122	0.059	0.567	0.000
RF_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.301	0.672	0.001	0.714	0.000
LF_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.754	0.937	0.000	0.437	0.000
RH_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.699	0.118	0.000	0.589	0.000
LH_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.455	0.216	0.000	0.272	0.334
RF_MeanIntensity_Mean	0.678	0.035	0.276	0.737	0.000
LF_MeanIntensity_Mean	0.557	0.376	0.084	0.592	0.000
RH_MeanIntensity_Mean	0.660	0.405	0.733	0.108	0.000
LH_MeanIntensity_Mean	0.755	0.431	0.108	0.551	0.000
RF_MinIntensity_Mean	0.057	0.891	0.000	0.930	0.005
LF_MinIntensity_Mean	0.179	0.001	0.000	0.733	0.005
RH_MinIntensity_Mean	0.660	0.405	0.733	0.108	0.000
LH_MinIntensity_Mean	0.077	0.001	0.002	0.579	0.275
RF_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.556	0.541	0.171	0.492	0.000
LF_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.611	0.858	0.070	0.436	0.000
RH_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.688	0.780	0.001	0.226	0.000
LH_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.629	0.507	0.141	0.494	0.000
Kinetic parameters					
RF_StandIndex_Mean	0.521	0.006	0.061	0.869	0.255
LF_StandIndex_Mean	0.282	0.027	0.000	0.568	0.310
RH_StandIndex_Mean	0.760	0.098	0.234	0.141	0.043
LH_StandIndex_Mean	0.721	0.127	0.226	0.057	0.477
RF_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.241	0.802	0.981	0.968	0.807
LF_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.948	0.373	0.841	0.722	0.334
RH_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.214	0.029	0.193	0.722	0.000
LH_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.960	0.020	0.349	0.402	0.002
Interlimb coordination					
BOS_FrontPaws_Mean_cm	0.779	0.523	0.016	0.358	0.435
BOS_HindPaws_Mean_cm	0.174	0.826	0.338	0.570	0.001
PrintPositions_RightPaws_Mean_cm	0.577	0.585	0.920	0.487	0.218

PrintPositions_LeftPaws_Mean_cm	0.694	0.103	0.313	0.768	0.140
StepSequence_NumberOfPatterns	0.631	0.053	0.687	0.865	0.263
StepSequence_CA_percents	0.228	0.857	0.420	0.063	0.889
StepSequence_CB_percents	0.379	0.314	0.278	0.228	0.614
StepSequence_AA_percents	0.010	0.015	0.446	0.417	0.645
StepSequence_AB_percents	0.128	0.087	0.541	0.608	0.877
StepSequence_RA_percents	0.472	0.452	0.544	0.950	0.118
StepSequence_RB_percents	0.422	0.374	0.765	0.891	0.542
StepSequence_RegularityIndex_percents	0.227	0.021	0.081	0.832	0.067
PhaseDispersions_RF_LH_Mean	0.057	0.154	0.953	0.952	0.008
PhaseDispersions_LF_RH_Mean	0.293	0.662	0.985	0.732	0.019
PhaseDispersions_LH_RH_Mean	0.022	0.149	0.239	0.028	0.039
PhaseDispersions_LF_RF_Mean	0.697	0.928	0.941	0.110	0.619
PhaseDispersions_RF_RH_Mean	0.199	0.006	0.252	0.405	0.260
PhaseDispersions_LF_LH_Mean	0.067	0.002	0.874	0.523	0.050

	mCTRL (n=6)	hAD (n=6)	iCTRL (n=6)	hCTRL (n=6)	ANOVA
Branch length per cell	675.5±212.4	1739.9±599.3**	2071.3±510.2***	1755.2±270.2**	<i>P</i> <0.001
End points per cell	262.4 ± 89.7	277.3±137.3	328.3±77.8	441.2±113.4	P<0.05
Number of branches per cell	449.5±144.7	717.5±392.3	741.4±239.3	380.3±73.7	P=0.147
Number of junctions per cell	206.6±66.2	370.4±203.8	375.1±131.3	348.7±69.8	<i>P</i> =0.114
Triple points per cell	190.3±60.9	319.6±180.3	347.7±120.8	321.9±63.6	<i>P</i> =0.120
Quadrupole points per cell	15.1±4.9	30.5±25.9	25.8±11.0	24.6±6.2	<i>P</i> =0.352

P<0.01; *P<0.001 (compared to mouse CTRT)

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	mCTRL (n=17)	hAD (n=19)	iCTRL (n=11)	hCTRL (n=19)	ANOVA
Baseline					
Distance	7829±3324	6828±2309	6213±1731	6977±1500	0.338
Velocity	13.0±5.5	11.3±3.8	10.3 ± 2.8	11.6 ± 2.5	0.338
Center frequency	16.8±13.3	13.1±10.0	11.6±5.7	10.6 ± 3.2	0.221
Center cumulative	33.1±20.2	32.9±27.0	30.9±18.3	24.6±8.3	0.528
Center latency	40.7±94.1	67.1±86.0	72.6 ± 74.8	53.5 ± 68.2	0.708
Wall frequency	54.2±22.1	44.9±16.2	48.1±10.1	45.5±15.7	0.356
Wall cumulative	421.5±57.5	453.9±66.2	422.2 ± 40.8	469.2±43.4	0.032
Wall latency	4.0±6.3	0.8±2.1*	0.8±1.3	0.1 ± 0.2 **	0.006
Middle frequency	70.8 ± 34.7	57.4±24.9	59.6±14.1	$55.4{\pm}18.1$	0.270
Middle cumulative	145.3±45.7	113.1±42.7	146.8 ± 37.5	106.1±38.1*	0.009
Middle latency	6.3±8.7	9.8±14.0	4.6 ± 8.5	7.2 ± 10.4	0.624
Rotation cw	8.5±4.6	8.5±3.8	8.0±3.7	9.0±4.9	0.938
Ration ccw	13.4±16.0	10.7±9.0	10.0 ± 2.3	10.5 ± 4.1	0.753
Movement duration	488.8 ± 68.9	471.2±65.6	463.5±84.4	491.4±49.3	0.596
Not movement duration	111.1±68.9	128.7±65.6	136.4±84.4	108.5±49.4	0.596
Acute					
Distance	5594±3128	5762±2495	5091±1738	5525±1651	0.903
Velocity	9.3±5.2	9.6±4.1	$8.4{\pm}2.8$	9.2±2.7	0.903
Center frequency	14.8 ± 13.8	11.5 ± 6.9	9.2±6.1	10.3±5.1	0.329
Center cumulative	33.4±26.3	28.7 ± 20.9	27.1±16.8	27.0±18.0	0.803
Center latency	93.0±114.1	164.1±147.7	198.2 ± 157.5	$90.4{\pm}100.8$	0.066
Wall frequency	47.6±25.7	40.8 ± 14.8	38.5±12.3	41.3±11.1	0.508

Table S1. The open field data at baseline and at acute and chronic phases.

Wall cumulative Wall latency	420.0 ± 69.6 0.5 ± 1.3	449.9 ± 54.0 0.9 ± 2.7	449.0±65.5 0.2±0.6	468.3±43.9 0.6±1.3	0.108 0.751
Middle frequency	61.9±39.0	51.7±20.4	47.0±17.9	51.3±14.7	0.420
Middle cumulative	146.6±53.0	121.4 ± 40.7	123.8 ± 57.1	104.6 ± 34.2	0.06
Middle latency	14.8 ± 42.8	17.0 ± 28.1	30.1±45.7	11.4 ± 12.8	0.509
Rotation cw	4.5±3.5	4.8±3.0	4.0±2.5	6.1±2.4	0.243
Ration ccw	12.5±15.1	13.2 ± 10.1	8.4±3.5	11.0±4.7	0.612
Movement duration	378.7±99.6	398.0±79.5	374.8±93.3	389.7±70.4	0.867
Not movement duration	221.2±99.6	201.9±79.5	225.1±93.3	210.2±70.4	0.867

Chronic

Distance	5747±3105	5199±1521	4491±1157	4384±1721	0.199
Velocity	9.5±5.1	8.6±2.5	$7.4{\pm}1.9$	7.3 ± 2.8	0.199
Center frequency	$14.4{\pm}16.2$	9.5 ± 4.9	7.6 ± 4.4	$8.8{\pm}6.2$	0.213
Center cumulative	31.0±26.6	29.9±20.7	20.8±16.0	$24.4{\pm}18.1$	0.538
Center latency	102.4±119.7	140.0±133.	139.3±141.6	$179.4{\pm}107.8$	0.350
Wall frequency	43.6±19.1	35.3±9.5	33.2±9.0	30.7±14.1*	0.048
Wall cumulative	446.1±72.2	467.8±64.8	468.4 ± 64.0	464.9±69.9	0.755
Wall latency	0.3±0.0	$0.4{\pm}1.3$	0.0±01	0.1 ± 0.6	0.593
Middle frequency	57.2±34.1	44.2±13.2	40.5±13.0	38.8±19.2	0.077
Middle cumulative	122.9±49.1	102.2 ± 47.0	110.7 ± 58.6	110.6 ± 59.9	0.719
Middle latency	33.7±59.7	40.0±63.0	25.3±33.7	52.1±56.9	0.615
Rotation cw	6.2±4.7	$6.4{\pm}2.8$	5.6 ± 2.4	6.3 ± 2.5	0.929
Ration ccw	9.0±10.5	6.2 ± 4.5	5.6 ± 3.6	6.6±3.4	0.478
Movement duration	372.8 ± 80.5	365.7±69.5	329.7±67.5	322.0±85.7	0.148
Not movement duration	227.1±80.5	234.2±69.5	270.2 ± 67.5	277.9 ± 85.5	0.148

*P<0.05; **P<0.01 (compared to mouse CTRL, Bonferroni)

	correlations	s with body we	eight	one-way Al	NOVA	
	Baseline	Acute	Chronic	Baseline	Acute	Chronic
Run characterization						
Duration (sec)	0.147	-0.080	0.160	0.931	0.190	0.705
Temporal parameters						
RF_Stand_Mean_s	0.370**	0.034	0.249*	0.805	0.764	0.720
LF_Stand_Mean_s	0.319**	0.029	0.271	0.993	0.767	0.597
RH_Stand_Mean_s	0.436***	0.339**	0.400**	0.339	0.694	0.814
LH_Stand_Mean_s	0.437***	0.265*	0.418**	0.315	0.808	0.959
RF_Swing_Mean_s	-0.026	0.482***	-0274*	0.998	0.824	0.395
LF_Swing_Mean_s	-0.032	-0.057	-0.054	0.680	0.680	0.995
RH_Swing_Mean_s	0.103	-0.250*	-0.391**	0.664	0.091	0.453
LH_Swing_Mean_s	-0.144	-0.187	-0.346**	0.532	0.612	0.748
RF_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.289*	0.896***	0.056	0.928	0.985	0.538
LF_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.199	-0.032	0.153	0.988	0.646	0.705
RH_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.395**	0.260*	0.151	0.643	0.980	0.995
LH_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.341**	0.165	0.199	0.570	0.556	0.717
RF_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.532***	0.702***	0.408**	0.855	0.307	0.490
LF_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.333**	0.082	0.294*	0.881	0.261	0.514
RH_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.362**	0.443***	0.526***	0.374	0.205	0.334
LH_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.459***	0.389**	0.476***	0.181	0.748	0.996
RF_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.140	0.713***	-0.023	0.992	0.602	0.791
LF_SingleStance_Mean_s	-0.003	0.025	-0.117	0.944	0.834	0.413
RH_SingleStance_Mean_s	-0.175	0.044	-0.298*	0.550	0.869	0.601
LH_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.022	-0.121	-0.241	0.866	0.663	0.085
RF_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.417***	0.715***	0.350**	0.934	0.227	0.977
LF_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.470***	0.118	0.383**	0.787	0.404	0.199
RH_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.547***	0.522***	0.501***	0.146	0.936	0.691
LH_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.327**	0.273*	0.485***	0.361	0.507	0.958
RF_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.494***	0.630***	0.351**	0.720	0.401	0.411
LF_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.444***	-0.018	0.372**	0.766	0.461	0.912

Table S2. Correlations between body weight and CatWalk parameters and one-way ANOVA results at baseline and acute and chronic time points.

RH_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.353**	0.279*	0.461***	0.253	0.804	0.958
LH_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.556***	0.437***	0.480***	0.053	0.406	0.684
RF_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	-0.418**	0.443***	0.250*	0.972	0.896	0.178
LF_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.030	0.425***	0.136	0.604	0.986	0.019**
RH_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.285*	0.089	-0.042	0.092	0.899	0.614
LH_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.197	-0.043	0.005	0.352	0.605	0.658
RF_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	-0.418***	-0.281	-0.361**	0.006**	0.324	0.133
LF_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	-0324**	-0.312*	-0.092	0.341	0.061	0.289
RH_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.297*	0.251*	-0.252*	0.295	0.336	0.262
LH_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.411**	0.150	-0.158	0.038*	0.155	0.132
Spatial parameters						
RF_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.222	0.072	0.256*	0.234	0.098	0.365
LF_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.290*	0.028	0.167	0.245	0.420	0.327
RH_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.209	0.181	0.350**	0.302	0.488	0.166
LH_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.263*	0.105	0.263*	0.023*	0.061	0.906
RF_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.222	0.153	0.265*	0.143	0.018*	0.144
LF_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.411**	0.016	0.136	0.108	0.428	0.485
RH_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.424***	0.374**	0.437**	0.281	0.536	0.641
LH_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.389**	0.464**	0.511***	0.084	0.009**	0.846
RF_PrintArea_Mean_cm2	0.258*	0.033	0.361**	0.139	0.046*	0.194
LF_PrintArea_Mean_cm2	0.319**	0.148	0.273*	0.160	0.170	0.322
RH_PrintArea_Mean_cm2	0.312*	0.266*	0.479**	0.206	0.312	0.307
LH_PrintArea_Mean_cm2	0.389**	0.273*	0.467***	0.131	0.040*	0.791
RF_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.370**	0.188	0.452***	0.098	0.017*	0.235
LF_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.424***	0.341**	0.391**	0.093	0.054	0.406
RH_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	-0.061	0.314*	0.527***	0.260	0.266	0.366
LH_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	-0.094	0.349**	0.531***	0.193	0.067	0.787
RF_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	-0.020	-0.427***	0.231	0.896	0.443	0.631
LF_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	-0.048	-0.284*	0.229	0.622	0.811	0.777
RH_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.082	0.001	0.249*	0.308	0.469	0.941
LH_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.121	0.025	0.294*	0.753	0.294	0.932
RF_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	-0.075	-0.514***	0.234	0.939	0.799	0.686
LF_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	-0.048	-0.331**	0.286*	0.953	0.749	0.702

RH_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	-0.089	-0.302*	0.206	0.695	0.672	0.559
LH_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	-0.131	-0.344**	0.248	0.754	0.550	0.769
RF_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.111	-0.295*	0.266*	0.704	0.302	0.587
LF_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.030	-0.166	0.233	0.530	0.566	0.590
RH_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.106	0.007	0.257*	0.360	0.503	0.934
LH_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.145	0.026	0.293*	0.710	0.259	0-935
RF_MeanIntensity_Mean	-0.024	-0.454***	0.250*	0.878	0.703	0.767
LF_MeanIntensity_Mean	-0.006	-0.286*	0.296*	0.914	0.563	0.628
RH_MeanIntensity_Mean	-0.034	-0.220	0.274*	0.565	0.573	0.601
LH_MeanIntensity_Mean	-0.045	-0.214	0.332**	0.976	0.443	0.881
RF_MinIntensity_Mean	-0.010	0.086	-0.160	0.107	0.213	0.745
LF_MinIntensity_Mean	-0.007	0.030	-0.123	0.016*	0.108	0.962
RH_MinIntensity_Mean	-0.294*	-0.431***	-0.180	0.341	0.9411	0.304
LH_MinIntensity_Mean	-0.391**	-0.414**	-0.262*	0.035*	0.687	0.207
RF_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.090	-0.316*	0.329**	0.763	0.413	0.734
LF_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.084	-0.144	0.331**	0.778	0.582	0.565
RH_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.115	-0.041	0.320*	0.336	0.503	0.857
LH_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.123	0.121	0.363**	0.874	0.250	0.916
Kinetic parameters						
RF_StandIndex_Mean	0.345**	0.236	0.376**	0.651	0.493	0.376
LF_StandIndex_Mean	0.318**	0.170	0.288*	0.894	0.926	0.858
RH_StandIndex_Mean	0.390**	0.022	0.422**	0.148	0.543	0.890
LH_StandIndex_Mean	0.374**	0.068	0.398**	0.041*	0.556	0.431
RF_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.023	-0.644***	-0.131	0.716	0.453	0.580
LF_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.018	0.190	-0.188	0.514	0.162	0.610
RH_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.094	0.439***	0.258*	0.039*	0.320	0.090
LH_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.228	0.359**	0.331*	0.010*	0.053	0.749
Interlimb coordination						
BOS_FrontPaws_Mean_cm	0.097	-0.104	0.046	0.460	0.769	0.677
BOS_HindPaws_Mean_cm	0.321**	-0.141	0.172	0.376	0.452	0.149
PrintPositions_RightPaws_Mean_cm	0.289*	-0.054	0.076	0.414	0.544	0.406
PrintPositions_LeftPaws_Mean_cm	0.101	-0.154	0.139	0.862	0.977	0.446
StepSequence_NumberOfPatterns	-0.070	0.059	0.213	0.878	0.895	0.407

StepSequence_CA_percents	-0.092	0.176	-0.132	0.267	0.822	0.010**
StepSequence_CB_percents	0.229	0.016	0.116	0.100	0.455	0.571
StepSequence_AA_percents	-0.199	-0.001	-0.093	0.127	0.048*	0.057
StepSequence_AB_percents	0.079	-0.064	0.133	0.151	0.153	0.948
StepSequence_RA_percents	-0.012	-0.231	0.033	0.489	0.754	0.690
StepSequence_RB_percents	0.183	-0.139	-0.127	0.172	0.555	0.175
StepSequence_RegularityIndex_percents	-0.027	0.267*	0.005	0.670	0.445	0.155
PhaseDispersions_RF_LH_Mean	-0.171	-0.276*	0.258*	0.390	0.573	0.347
PhaseDispersions_LF_RH_Mean	0.006	-0.197	0.318**	0.381	0.311	0.831
PhaseDispersions_LH_RH_Mean	0.209	0.226	0.096	0.429	0.317	0.038*
PhaseDispersions_LF_RF_Mean	0.101	0.069	0.029	0.269	0.487	0.515
PhaseDispersions_RF_RH_Mean	0.051	0.134	0.133	0.056	0.660	0.766
PhaseDispersions_LF_LH_Mean	0.224	0.150	0.086	0.625	0.434	0.595

Table S3. Repeated ANOVA showing time effect and time x group and time x sex interactions for CatWalk parameters.

	Tests of be effects	Tests of between-subjects effects		Tests of within-subjects effects		
Run characterization	Group	Sex	Time	Time x Group interaction	Time x Sex interaction	
Duration (sec)	0.079	0.165	0.442	0.950	0.523	
Temporal parameters						
RF_Stand_Mean_s	0.371	0.013	0.737	0.813	0.352	
LF_Stand_Mean_s	0.277	0.026	0.988	0.806	0.215	
RH_Stand_Mean_s	0.614	0.002	0.132	0.604	0.906	
LH_Stand_Mean_s	0.867	0.001	0.734	0.526	0.499	
RF_Swing_Mean_s	0.681	0.008	0.094	0.642	0.001	
LF_Swing_Mean_s	0.948	0.373	0.841	0.722	0.334	
RH_Swing_Mean_s	0.214	0.029	0.193	0.722	0.000	
LH_Swing_Mean_s	0.960	0.020	0.349	0.402	0.002	
RF_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.808	0.227	0.947	0.670	0.279	
LF_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.328	0.235	0.956	0.934	0.234	
RH_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.958	0.022	0.302	0.934	0.310	
LH_StepCycle_Mean_s	0.676	0.046	0.225	0.687	0.432	
RF_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.012	0.000	0.145	0.748	0.029	
LF_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.801	0.000	0.019	0.739	0.010	
RH_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.270	0.001	0.070	0.709	0.017	
LH_DutyCycle_Mean_percents	0.955	0.000	0.784	0.583	0.040	
RF_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.941	0.937	0.826	0.616	0.227	
LF_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.967	0.777	0.381	0.105	0.333	
RH_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.930	0.459	0.118	0.553	0.201	
LH_SingleStance_Mean_s	0.584	0.843	0.000	0.637	0.302	
RF_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.232	0.001	0.713	0.782	0.246	
LF_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.014	0.000	0.092	0.598	0.085	
RH_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.675	0.000	0.494	0.710	0.515	
LH_InitialDualStance_Mean_s	0.891	0.000	0.462	0.681	0.294	

RF_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.061	0.000	0.393	0.490	0.207
LF_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.245	0.000	0.812	0.850	0.203
RH_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.888	0.001	0.213	0.712	0.362
LH_TerminalDualStance_Mean_s	0.579	0.000	0.345	0.045	0.819
RF_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.268	0.000	0.462	0.376	0.233
LF_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.069	0.000	0.030	0.040	0.209
RH_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.785	0.412	0.349	0.209	0.110
LH_MaxIntensityAt_Mean_percents	0.830	0.416	0.131	0.067	0.224
RF_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.097	0.025	0.055	0.674	0.444
LF_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.125	0.012	0.000	0.812	0.694
RH_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.174	0.890	0.063	0.731	0.004
LH_MaxContactAt_Mean_percents	0.086	0.419	0.901	0.116	0.570
Spatial parameters					
RF_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.264	0.519	0.692	0.100	0.003
LF_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.165	0.620	0.251	0.548	0.008
RH_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.317	0.058	0.317	0.517	0.006
LH_PrintLength_Mean_cm	0.222	0.291	0.841	0.204	0.019
RF_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.067	0.035	0.966	0.381	0.001
LF_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.303	0.501	0.283	0.457	0.009
RH_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.651	0.001	0.017	0.909	0.018
LH_PrintWidth_Mean_cm	0.288	0.000	0.109	0.134	0.006
RF_PrintArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.139	0.217	0.023	0.054	0.006
LF_PrintArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.210	0.196	0.037	0.206	0.001
RH_PrintArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.365	0.003	0.007	0.454	0.000
LH_PrintArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.572	0.014	0.022	0.114	0.002
RF_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.134	0.007	0.035	0.076	0.000
LF_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.148	0.006	0.006	0.276	0.001
RH_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.474	0.002	0.001	0.310	0.000
LH_MaxContactArea_Mean_sq_cm	0.335	0.001	0.002	0.160	0.000
RF_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.326	0.868	0.000	0.551	0.000
LF_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.820	0.320	0001	0.616	0.000
RH_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.566	0.545	0.016	0.470	0.000
LH_MaxContactMaxIntensity_Mean	0.621	0.122	0.059	0.567	0.000

RF_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	0.943	0.000	0.000	0.842	0.009
LF_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	0.642	0.191	0.067	0.643	0.000
RH_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	0.678	0.093	0.071	0.095	0.000
LH_MaxContactMeanIntensity_Mean	0.621	0.122	0.059	0.567	0.000
RF_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.301	0.672	0.001	0.714	0.000
LF_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.754	0.937	0.000	0.437	0.000
RH_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.699	0.118	0.000	0.589	0.000
LH_MaxIntensity_Mean	0.455	0.216	0.000	0.272	0.334
RF_MeanIntensity_Mean	0.678	0.035	0.276	0.737	0.000
LF_MeanIntensity_Mean	0.557	0.376	0.084	0.592	0.000
RH_MeanIntensity_Mean	0.660	0.405	0.733	0.108	0.000
LH_MeanIntensity_Mean	0.755	0.431	0.108	0.551	0.000
RF_MinIntensity_Mean	0.057	0.891	0.000	0.930	0.005
LF_MinIntensity_Mean	0.179	0.001	0.000	0.733	0.005
RH_MinIntensity_Mean	0.660	0.405	0.733	0.108	0.000
LH_MinIntensity_Mean	0.077	0.001	0.002	0.579	0.275
RF_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.556	0.541	0.171	0.492	0.000
LF_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.611	0.858	0.070	0.436	0.000
RH_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.688	0.780	0.001	0.226	0.000
LH_MeanIntensityOfMostIntensePixels_Mean	0.629	0.507	0.141	0.494	0.000
Kinetic parameters					
RF_StandIndex_Mean	0.521	0.006	0.061	0.869	0.255
LF_StandIndex_Mean	0.282	0.027	0.000	0.568	0.310
RH_StandIndex_Mean	0.760	0.098	0.234	0.141	0.043
LH_StandIndex_Mean	0.721	0.127	0.226	0.057	0.477
RF_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.241	0.802	0.981	0.968	0.807
LF_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.948	0.373	0.841	0.722	0.334
RH_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.214	0.029	0.193	0.722	0.000
LH_SwingSpeed_Mean_cm_per_s	0.960	0.020	0.349	0.402	0.002
Interlimb coordination					
BOS_FrontPaws_Mean_cm	0.779	0.523	0.016	0.358	0.435
BOS_HindPaws_Mean_cm	0.174	0.826	0.338	0.570	0.001
PrintPositions_RightPaws_Mean_cm	0.577	0.585	0.920	0.487	0.218

PrintPositions_LeftPaws_Mean_cm	0.694	0.103	0.313	0.768	0.140
StepSequence_NumberOfPatterns	0.631	0.053	0.687	0.865	0.263
StepSequence_CA_percents	0.228	0.857	0.420	0.063	0.889
StepSequence_CB_percents	0.379	0.314	0.278	0.228	0.614
StepSequence_AA_percents	0.010	0.015	0.446	0.417	0.645
StepSequence_AB_percents	0.128	0.087	0.541	0.608	0.877
StepSequence_RA_percents	0.472	0.452	0.544	0.950	0.118
StepSequence_RB_percents	0.422	0.374	0.765	0.891	0.542
StepSequence_RegularityIndex_percents	0.227	0.021	0.081	0.832	0.067
PhaseDispersions_RF_LH_Mean	0.057	0.154	0.953	0.952	0.008
PhaseDispersions_LF_RH_Mean	0.293	0.662	0.985	0.732	0.019
PhaseDispersions_LH_RH_Mean	0.022	0.149	0.239	0.028	0.039
PhaseDispersions_LF_RF_Mean	0.697	0.928	0.941	0.110	0.619
PhaseDispersions_RF_RH_Mean	0.199	0.006	0.252	0.405	0.260
PhaseDispersions_LF_LH_Mean	0.067	0.002	0.874	0.523	0.050

	mCTRL (n=6)	hAD (n=6)	iCTRL (n=6)	hCTRL (n=6)	ANOVA
Branch length per cell	675.5±212.4	1739.9±599.3**	2071.3±510.2***	1755.2±270.2**	<i>P</i> <0.001
End points per cell	262.4 ± 89.7	277.3±137.3	328.3±77.8	441.2±113.4	P<0.05
Number of branches per cell	449.5±144.7	717.5±392.3	741.4±239.3	380.3±73.7	P=0.147
Number of junctions per cell	206.6±66.2	370.4±203.8	375.1±131.3	348.7±69.8	<i>P</i> =0.114
Triple points per cell	190.3±60.9	319.6±180.3	347.7±120.8	321.9±63.6	<i>P</i> =0.120
Quadrupole points per cell	15.1±4.9	30.5±25.9	25.8±11.0	24.6±6.2	<i>P</i> =0.352

P<0.01; *P<0.001 (compared to mouse CTRT)