**Supplementary Materials**

**Title:** Linking Neuroinflammation and Extracellular Free Water in HIV Infection: A Longitudinal Study

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***Table S1: Mean and standard error (SE) of FW index (%) for 25 brain structures in HIV+ and HIV- participants at baseline***

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Structure** | **HIV+** | | **HIV-** | | **t-value** | **p-value** | **p-value**  **(Adjusted)** |
| **mean** | **SE** | **mean** | **SE** |
| FMaj | 7.61 | 0.35 | 7.48 | 0.34 | 0.276 | 0.784 | 0.948 |
| FMin | 4.11 | 0.17 | 3.79 | 0.12 | 1.548 | 0.126 | 0.788 |
| GCC | 11.34 | 0.50 | 10.44 | 0.39 | 1.411 | 0.162 | 0.812 |
| SCC | 9.92 | 0.30 | 9.95 | 0.27 | -0.082 | 0.935 | 0.948 |
| TH | 14.73 | 0.50 | 13.27 | 0.49 | 2.093 | **0.039** | 0.328 |
| CN | 11.46 | 0.87 | 10.5 | 0.77 | 0.826 | 0.412 | 0.928 |
| PUT | 0.65 | 0.06 | 0.68 | 0.05 | -0.376 | 0.708 | 0.948 |
| GP | 0.48 | 0.07 | 0.61 | 0.14 | -0.835 | 0.406 | 0.928 |
| Amyg | 18.30 | 0.50 | 15.29 | 0.5 | 4.239 | **<0.001** | **0.002** |
| AccN | 1.87 | 0.29 | 1.79 | 0.23 | 0.226 | 0.822 | 0.948 |
| ATR | 2.83 | 0.14 | 2.75 | 0.13 | 0.394 | 0.695 | 0.948 |
| CST | 2.26 | 0.10 | 2.34 | 0.09 | -0.652 | 0.516 | 0.928 |
| SLF | 1.48 | 0.14 | 1.46 | 0.12 | 0.127 | 0.900 | 0.948 |
| ALIC | 0.14 | 0.02 | 0.16 | 0.02 | -0.661 | 0.511 | 0.928 |
| PLIC | 0.07 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.906 | 0.369 | 0.928 |
| PTR | 3.86 | 0.22 | 3.83 | 0.21 | 0.104 | 0.917 | 0.948 |
| EC | 0.37 | 0.04 | 0.35 | 0.04 | 0.213 | 0.832 | 0.948 |
| HC | 21.5 | 0.75 | 19.14 | 0.61 | 2.444 | **0.017** | 0.211 |
| CP | 6.97 | 0.30 | 6.81 | 0.27 | 0.376 | 0.708 | 0.948 |
| ACR | 0.11 | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.03 | 0.066 | 0.948 | 0.948 |
| SCR | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.02 | -0.232 | 0.817 | 0.948 |
| RLIC | 0.60 | 0.08 | 0.51 | 0.04 | 1.119 | 0.268 | 0.928 |
| SFOF | 0.23 | 0.08 | 0.17 | 0.05 | 0.648 | 0.519 | 0.928 |
| CG | 0.76 | 0.05 | 0.69 | 0.05 | 1.117 | 0.267 | 0.928 |
| FX | 46.46 | 1.55 | 44.68 | 1.35 | 0.867 | 0.389 | 0.928 |

Note: Significant p-values are shown as bold. GP: Globus Pallidus; PUT: Putamen; CN: Caudate Nucleus; TH: Thalamus; Hippo: Hippocampus; Amyg: Amygdala; AccN: Accumbens Nucleus; SCC: Splenium of Corpus Callosum; GCC: Genu of Corpus Callosum; CST: Corticospinal Tract; ATR: Anterior Thalamic Radiation; PTR: Posterior Thalamic Radiation; ALIC: Anterior Limbic Internal Capsule; PLIC: Posterior Limbic Internal Capsule; EC: External Capsule; SLF: Superior Longitudinal Fasciculus; FMaj: Forceps Major; FMin: Forceps Minor; CP: Cerebral Peduncle; ACR: Anterior Corona Radiata; SCR: Superior Corona Radiata; RLIC: Retrolenticular part of Internal Capsule; SFOF: Superior Fronto-Occipital Fasciculus; CG: Cingulum and FX: Fornix. FW values were averaged over bilateral ROIs (except some WM tracts) for each participant.

***Table S2: Mean and standard error (SE) of FW index (%) for 25 brain structures at baseline and 12 weeks after the cART treatment in HIV+ participants***

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Structure** | **BSL** | | **W12** | | **t-value** | **p-value** | **p-value**  **(Adjusted)** |
| **mean** | **SE** | **mean** | **SE** |
| FMaj | 7.40 | 0.36 | 7.00 | 0.28 | 1.771 | 0.087 | 0.241 |
| Fmin | 4.14 | 0.19 | 3.80 | 0.22 | 2.328 | **0.027** | 0.096 |
| GCC | 11.37 | 0.56 | 9.96 | 0.55 | 3.417 | **0.002** | **0.015** |
| SCC | 9.83 | 0.33 | 9.79 | 0.43 | 0.155 | 0.878 | 0.878 |
| TH | 14.9 | 0.57 | 13.2 | 0.68 | 3.767 | **0.001** | **0.009** |
| CN | 11.58 | 1.00 | 10.31 | 0.91 | 2.776 | **0.009** | **0.039** |
| PUT | 0.67 | 0.07 | 0.70 | 0.09 | -0.442 | 0.662 | 0.790 |
| GP | 0.49 | 0.08 | 0.52 | 0.12 | -0.248 | 0.806 | 0.876 |
| Amyg | 18.54 | 0.56 | 15.42 | 0.67 | 4.865 | **<0.001** | **0.001** |
| AccN | 1.95 | 0.35 | 1.64 | 0.25 | 1.594 | 0.121 | 0.304 |
| ATR | 2.86 | 0.16 | 2.74 | 0.18 | 1.388 | 0.175 | 0.365 |
| CST | 2.26 | 0.12 | 2.21 | 0.13 | 0.620 | 0.540 | 0.790 |
| SLF | 1.53 | 0.16 | 1.48 | 0.18 | 0.672 | 0.507 | 0.790 |
| ALIC | 0.13 | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.02 | -0.545 | 0.590 | 0.790 |
| PLIC | 0.06 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 1.455 | 0.156 | 0.355 |
| PTR | 3.73 | 0.23 | 3.28 | 0.23 | 2.971 | **0.006** | **0.034** |
| EC | 0.37 | 0.05 | 0.36 | 0.05 | 0.191 | 0.849 | 0.878 |
| HC | 22.01 | 0.85 | 20.62 | 0.84 | 2.902 | **0.007** | **0.034** |
| CP | 6.91 | 0.34 | 6.84 | 0.39 | 0.254 | 0.801 | 0.876 |
| ACR | 0.11 | 0.03 | 0.10 | 0.02 | 0.439 | 0.664 | 0.790 |
| SCR | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.458 | 0.650 | 0.790 |
| RLIC | 0.60 | 0.09 | 0.44 | 0.04 | 2.031 | 0.051 | 0.160 |
| SFOF | 0.24 | 0.1 | 0.21 | 0.05 | 0.525 | 0.603 | 0.790 |
| CG | 0.74 | 0.05 | 0.68 | 0.06 | 1.159 | 0.256 | 0.491 |
| FX | 46.72 | 1.73 | 46.2 | 1.84 | 0.610 | 0.547 | 0.790 |

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***Table S3: Cohort and 12 weeks of cART treatment effects in free water (FW) based on the short-term model (STM) for 25 brain structures.***

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Structure** | **ß ×10-3** | | | **p-value** | | |
| **Cohort** | **Visit** | **Age** | **Cohort** | **Visit** | **Age** |
| FMaj | 0.30 | -4.50 | -0.10 | 0.946 | 0.052 | 0.730 |
| Fmin | 4.10 | -3.70 | 0.30 | 0.054 | **0.012** | **0.001** |
| GCC | 10.90 | -15.20 | 0.70 | 0.067 | **<0.001** | **0.002** |
| SCC | 1.40 | -0.60 | 0.30 | 0.738 | 0.807 | **0.048** |
| TH | 20.90 | -17.10 | 1.40 | **0.001** | **<0.001** | **<0.001** |
| CN | 22.40 | -12.50 | 2.40 | **0.020** | **0.009** | **<0.001** |
| PUT | 0.40 | 0.20 | 0.20 | 0.631 | 0.660 | **<0.001** |
| GP | -0.40 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.815 | 0.997 | **<0.001** |
| Amyg | 37.80 | -27.60 | 1.30 | **<0.001** | **<0.001** | **<0.001** |
| AccN | 3.00 | -3.40 | 0.60 | 0.318 | 0.085 | **<0.001** |
| ATR | 2.50 | -1.30 | 0.40 | 0.114 | 0.140 | **<0.001** |
| CST | 1.70 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 0.326 | 0.987 | **0.005** |
| SLF | 2.20 | -0.50 | 0.40 | 0.155 | 0.532 | **<0.001** |
| ALIC | 0.30 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.406 | 0.493 | **<0.001** |
| PLIC | 0.30 | -0.10 | 0.00 | 0.063 | 0.194 | **0.047** |
| PTR | 1.80 | -4.40 | 0.10 | 0.562 | **0.006** | 0.467 |
| EC | 0.80 | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.125 | 0.896 | **<0.001** |
| HC | 30.00 | -13.60 | 1.60 | **0.001** | **0.007** | **<0.001** |
| CP | 10.00 | 0.70 | 0.40 | 0.083 | 0.780 | 0.088 |
| ACR | 0.20 | -0.20 | 0.00 | 0.483 | 0.506 | **<0.001** |
| SCR | 0.00 | -0.10 | 0.00 | 0.960 | 0.555 | **0.015** |
| RLIC | 1.60 | -1.00 | 0.10 | **0.047** | 0.174 | **0.004** |
| SFOF | 1.00 | -0.40 | 0.10 | 0.178 | 0.528 | **0.001** |
| CG | 3.40 | -0.30 | 0.20 | **0.008** | 0.561 | **<0.001** |
| FX | 33.00 | -6.30 | 3.90 | 0.060 | 0.462 | **<0.001** |

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***Table S4: Cohort and long-term cART treatment effects in free water (FW) based on the long-term model (LTM) for 25 brain structures.***

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Structure** | **ß ×10-3** | | | |  | **p-value** | | |
| **Cohort** | **Visit** | **Age** | **Cohort.Visit** | **Cohort** | **Visit** | **Age** | **Cohort.Visit** |  |
| FMaj | -5.80 | 1.60 | 0.00 | 3.30 | 0.215 | 0.080 | 0.911 | **0.038** |
| FMin | 0.20 | 1.00 | 0.20 | -0.80 | 0.919 | 0.067 | **0.025** | 0.426 |
| GCC | -4.20 | 4.90 | 0.50 | 1.70 | 0.468 | **0.003** | **0.014** | 0.533 |
| SCC | 0.10 | 2.10 | 0.30 | -0.40 | 0.973 | 0.054 | 0.071 | 0.820 |
| TH | 3.00 | 7.90 | 1.30 | -0.20 | 0.628 | **<0.001** | **<0.001** | 0.952 |
| CN | 9.50 | 9.00 | 2.30 | -0.70 | 0.352 | **<0.001** | **<0.001** | 0.833 |
| PUT | 0.50 | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.591 | 0.817 | **<0.001** | 0.899 |
| GP | -0.70 | -0.10 | 0.20 | -0.10 | 0.622 | 0.894 | **<0.001** | 0.917 |
| Amyg | 7.60 | 16.60 | 1.10 | -0.80 | 0.231 | **<0.001** | **<0.001** | 0.853 |
| AccN | 0.00 | -1.00 | 0.50 | 3.90 | 0.999 | 0.373 | **<0.001** | **0.034** |
| ATR | 1.00 | 0.30 | 0.40 | -0.50 | 0.529 | 0.423 | **<0.001** | 0.432 |
| CST | 1.50 | 1.30 | 0.20 | -0.70 | 0.413 | **0.001** | **0.015** | 0.273 |
| SLF | 1.80 | 0.80 | 0.40 | -1.20 | 0.296 | **0.009** | **<0.001** | **0.029** |
| ALIC | 0.40 | 0.50 | 0.10 | -0.30 | 0.315 | **0.001** | **<0.001** | 0.349 |
| PLIC | 0.20 | 0.20 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.317 | **0.008** | **0.044** | 0.721 |
| PTR | -2.90 | 2.10 | 0.10 | 1.90 | 0.375 | **0.010** | 0.659 | 0.180 |
| EC | 0.70 | 0.50 | 0.10 | -0.30 | 0.198 | **0.002** | **<0.001** | 0.233 |
| HC | 16.60 | 5.50 | 1.50 | 0.40 | 0.077 | **<0.001** | **<0.001** | 0.862 |
| CP | 9.60 | 3.90 | 0.20 | -4.90 | 0.086 | **0.036** | 0.220 | 0.119 |
| ACR | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.889 | **0.045** | **0.006** | 0.593 |
| SCR | -0.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.772 | 0.072 | **0.045** | 0.991 |
| RLIC | 0.90 | 1.10 | 0.10 | -0.10 | 0.295 | **<0.001** | **0.022** | 0.836 |
| SFOF | 0.70 | 0.30 | 0.10 | -0.40 | 0.278 | **0.022** | **0.003** | 0.110 |
| CG | 3.10 | 1.50 | 0.20 | -1.50 | **0.015** | **<0.001** | **0.001** | **0.029** |
| FX | 23.40 | 2.70 | 3.90 | -8.60 | 0.230 | 0.603 | **<0.001** | 0.329 |

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***Table S5: Pearson Correlations for FW vs. NfL, FW vs. CD4 counts and FW vs. VL at baseline for 25 brain structures in HIV+ cohort***

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Structure** | **NfL** | | **CD4 counts** | | **VL** | |
| **ß** | **p-value** | **ß** | **p-value** | **ß** | **p-value** |
| FMaj | 0.045 | 0.797 | -0.204 | 0.227 | -0.072 | 0.688 |
| FMin | 0.479 | **0.004** | -0.314 | 0.058 | 0.183 | 0.301 |
| GCC | 0.462 | **0.005** | -0.256 | 0.127 | 0.100 | 0.575 |
| SCC | 0.438 | **0.008** | -0.334 | **0.043** | 0.029 | 0.872 |
| TH | 0.621 | **<0.001** | -0.351 | **0.033** | -0.042 | 0.812 |
| CN | 0.503 | **0.002** | -0.372 | **0.023** | -0.104 | 0.558 |
| PUT | 0.415 | **0.013** | -0.434 | **0.007** | 0.022 | 0.902 |
| GP | 0.366 | **0.031** | -0.428 | **0.008** | -0.058 | 0.746 |
| Amyg | 0.656 | **<0.001** | -0.318 | 0.055 | 0.056 | 0.751 |
| AccN | 0.564 | **<0.001** | -0.390 | **0.017** | -0.032 | 0.857 |
| ATR | 0.627 | **<0.001** | -0.339 | **0.040** | -0.075 | 0.673 |
| CST | 0.455 | **0.006** | -0.464 | **0.004** | -0.105 | 0.555 |
| SLF | 0.474 | **0.004** | -0.356 | **0.031** | 0.057 | 0.748 |
| ALIC | 0.536 | **0.001** | -0.368 | **0.025** | -0.210 | 0.233 |
| PLIC | 0.023 | 0.894 | -0.076 | 0.653 | -0.198 | 0.262 |
| PTR | 0.174 | 0.318 | -0.101 | 0.553 | -0.004 | 0.984 |
| EC | 0.325 | 0.057 | -0.206 | 0.222 | -0.189 | 0.285 |
| HC | 0.696 | **<0.001** | -0.378 | **0.021** | 0.025 | 0.890 |
| CP | 0.062 | 0.722 | -0.182 | 0.282 | -0.002 | 0.993 |
| ACR | 0.567 | **<0.001** | -0.358 | **0.030** | 0.009 | 0.959 |
| SCR | 0.595 | **<0.001** | -0.357 | **0.030** | -0.085 | 0.634 |
| RLIC | 0.572 | **<0.001** | -0.251 | 0.134 | -0.117 | 0.510 |
| SFOF | 0.495 | **0.002** | -0.253 | 0.130 | 0.037 | 0.837 |
| CG | 0.214 | 0.217 | -0.234 | 0.164 | -0.184 | 0.297 |
| FX | 0.491 | **0.003** | -0.407 | **0.012** | -0.104 | 0.559 |

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