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Supplemental information

**Microglial P2Y₆ calcium signaling promotes
phagocytosis and shapes neuroimmune
responses in epileptogenesis**

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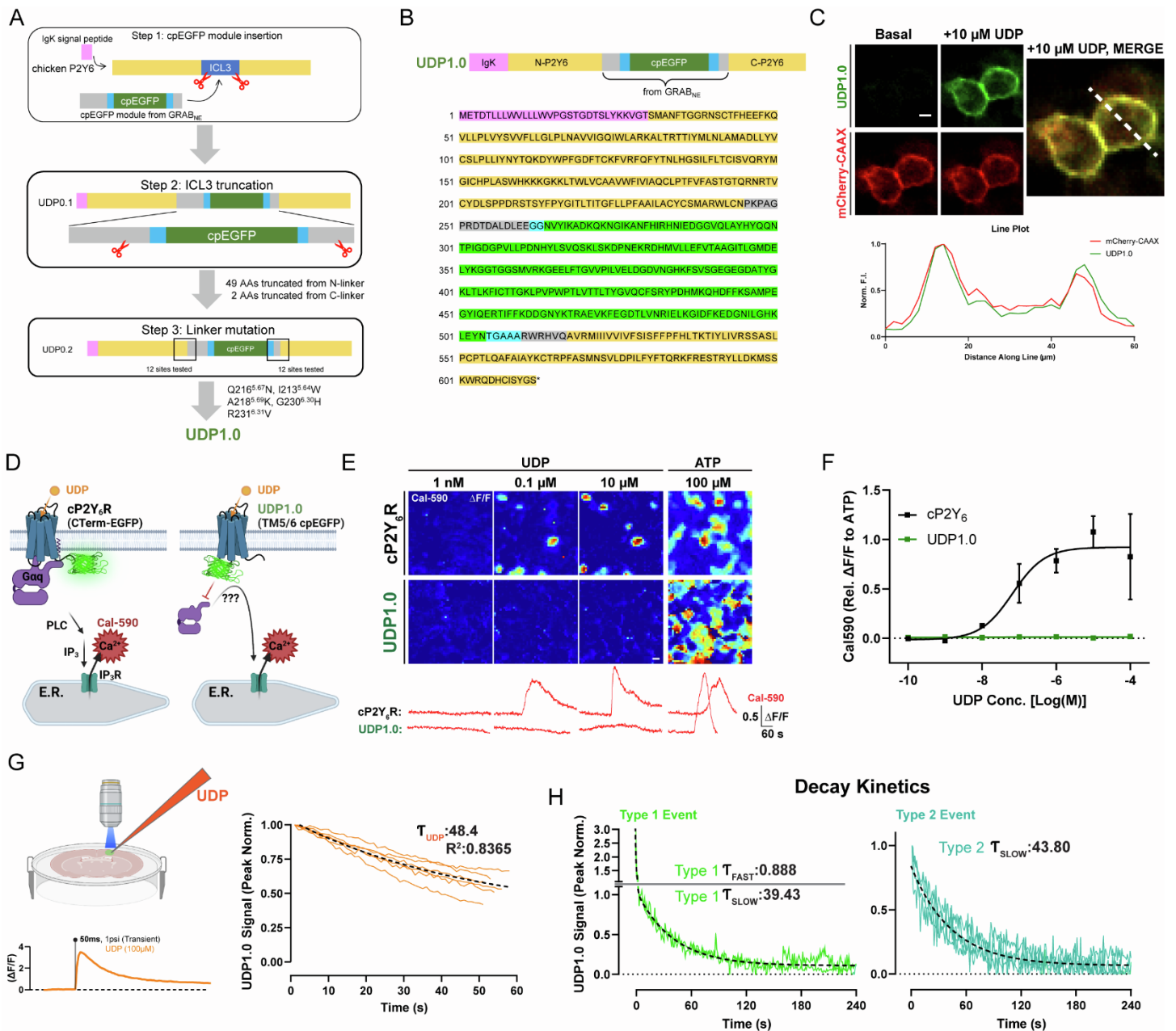


Figure S1. UDP sensor sequence, coupling, and kinetics, related to Figure 2

(A) Steps taken to optimize and refine the UDP sensor signal.

(B) Amino acid sequence of UDP1.0.

(C) Evaluation of UDP1.0 sensor trafficking to the membrane with membrane-trafficked mCherry-CAAX expression for reference.

(D) Experimental schematic: Calbryte-590 calcium imaging in response to purines using HEK cells transfected with cP2Y₆ or UDP1.0.

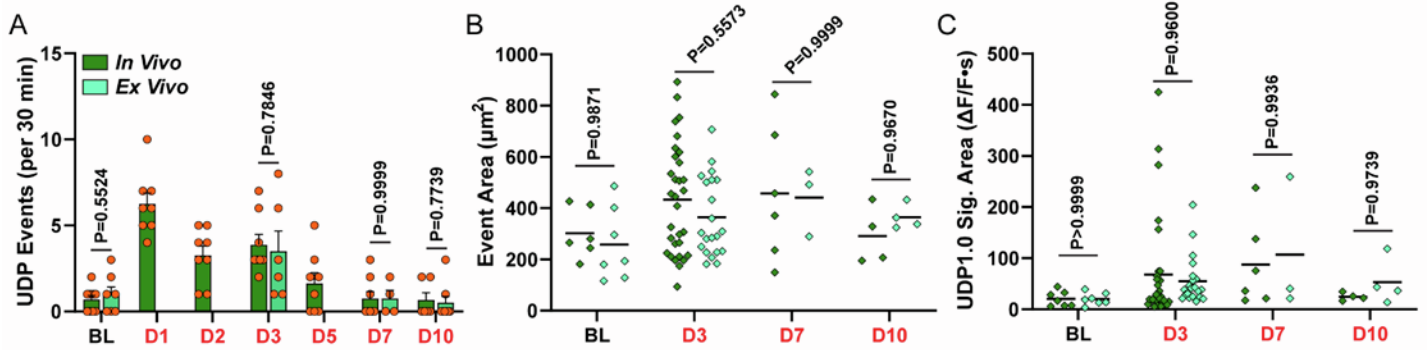
(E) Cal-590 calcium response images and corresponding $\Delta F/F$ traces from cP2Y₆- or UDP1.0-transfected HEK293T cells in response to purines.

(F) ATP-normalized Cal-590 fluorescent responses across a range of UDP concentrations (mean \pm SEM; lines represent a non-linear fit of log (agonist) vs. 3-parameter response).

(G) Schematic of *ex vivo*, local UDP application in a UDP1.0-transfected brain slice with a representative $\Delta F/F$ response. Peak-normalized responses were used to determine the UDP1.0 single-component τ decay value in response to UDP (12 trials from 3 slices and mice).

(H) One- or two-component τ decay fits for Type 1 and Type 2 UDP events observed *in vivo* (τ value reflects 15 Type 1 and 22 Type 2 events aggregated across $n=5$ mice).

Comparison of UDP release in Layer 1 - Layer 2/3 of cortex between *in vivo* and *ex vivo* preparations



Comparison of microglial calcium dynamics in Layer 1 - Layer 2/3 of cortex between *in vivo* and *ex vivo* preparations

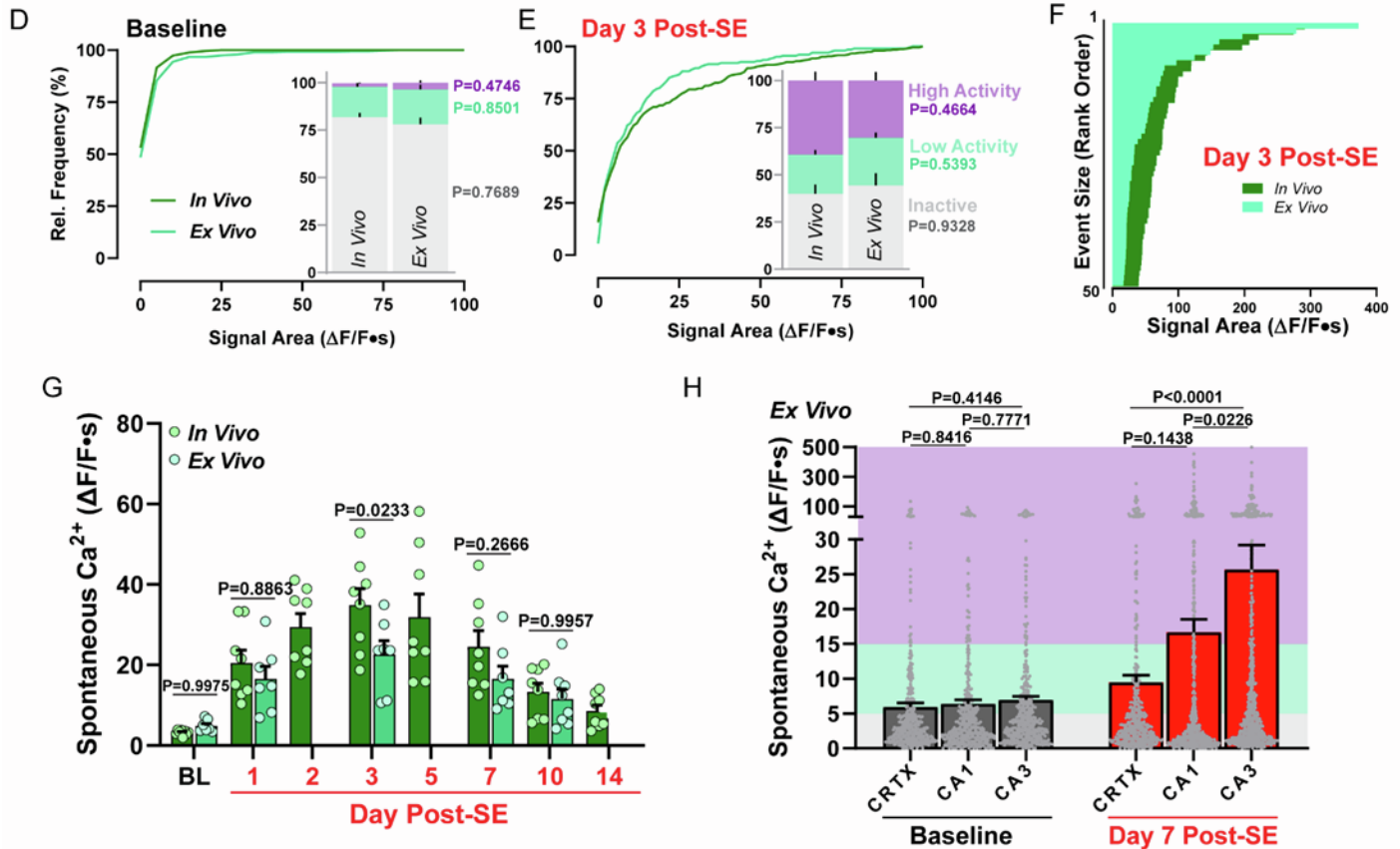


Figure S2. Comparison of UDP release dynamics and spontaneous microglial calcium activity between *ex vivo* and *in vivo* preparations in cortex, related to Figures 3 and 4

(A) Number of UDP release events reported by the UDP1.0 sensor in cortical layer 1-3 *ex vivo* (acute coronal brain slice) or *in vivo* (chronic cranial window, awake mouse) at baseline and across epileptogenesis time points. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test (dot: number of UDP1.0 events detected per 30 min and field of view).

(B-C) The physical area (B: μm^2) or signal area (C: $\Delta\text{F}/\text{F-s}$) of UDP events reported *ex vivo* or *in vivo* at baseline and across epileptogenesis time points. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test (dot: a single UDP release event).

(D-E) Cumulative distribution of spontaneous calcium activity recorded from cortical microglia processes *in vivo* and *ex vivo* at baseline (D) and 3 days after KA-SE (E). Bar graphs compare the percentage of microglial ROIs which are inactive (gray bar, $\Delta\text{F}/\text{F}<5$), display low activity (teal bar, $\Delta\text{F}/\text{F}=5-15$), or are highly active (purple bar, $\Delta\text{F}/\text{F}>15$). Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc comparison between activity levels.

(F) Rank order of the largest calcium events in cortex for *in vivo* and *ex vivo* preparations 3 days after KA-SE.

(G) Microglial spontaneous calcium signaling in cortex for *in vivo* and *ex vivo* preparations. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test (dot: average spontaneous calcium activity across all ROIs from a chronic window field of view (*in vivo*) or *ex vivo* slice field of view; both are $300 \times 300 \mu\text{m}$).

(H) Comparison of WT microglial spontaneous calcium activity in brain slice by region and time point. One-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-hoc test by time point (dots represent individual ROIs).

Bars represent the mean \pm SEM. *In vivo* data come from $n=4-5$ WT mice with two regions surveyed longitudinally; *ex vivo* data come from $n=4$ WT mice per time point with up to two brain slices surveyed per mouse.

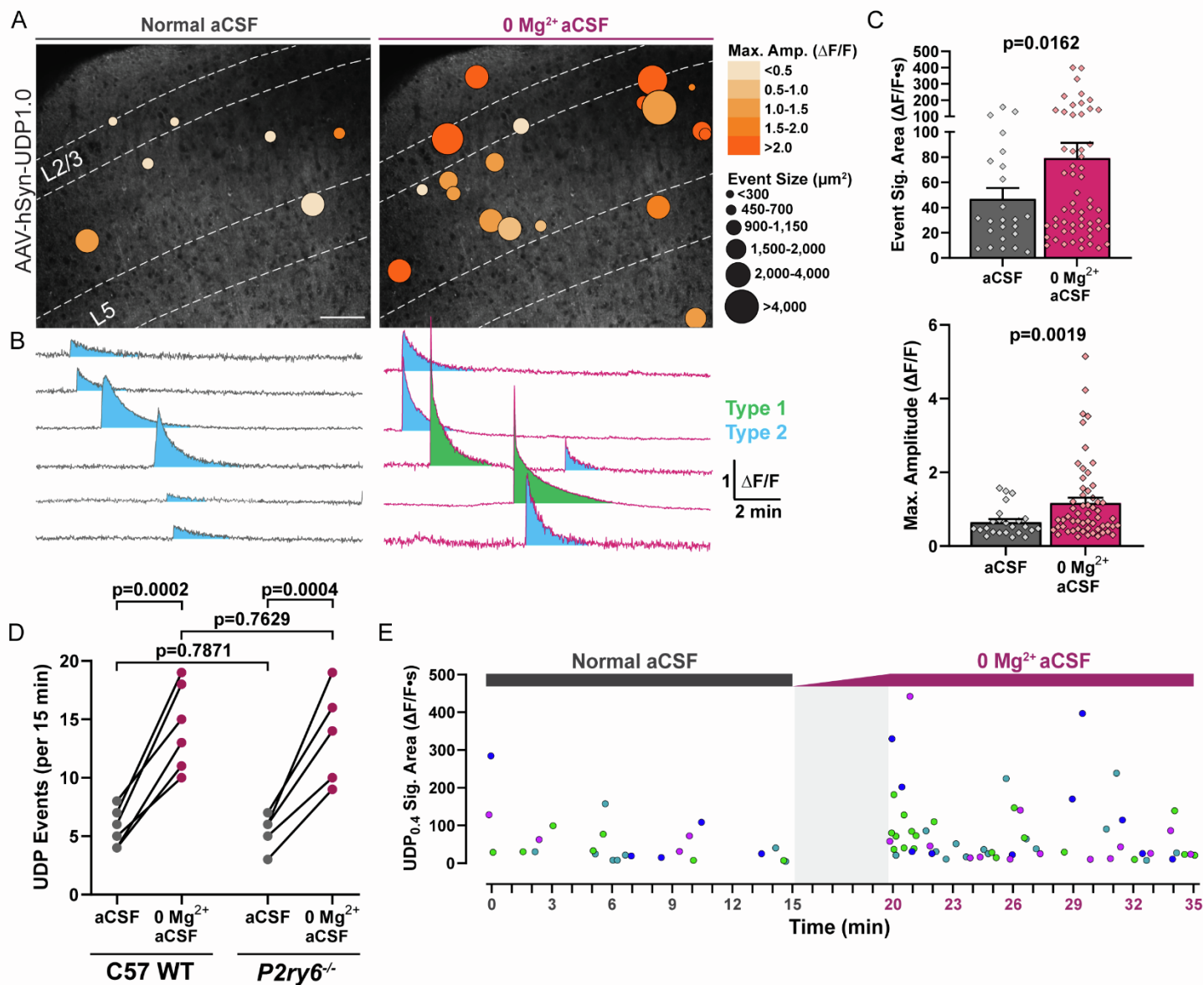


Figure S3. Enhanced UDP release during 0 Mg²⁺ hyperexcitability, related to Figure 3

(A) UDP1.0 sensor events overlaid across cortical layers during bath incubation with normal aCSF or 0 Mg²⁺ aCSF. Scale bar, 100 μm.

(B) Event traces (ΔF/F) demonstrating Type 2 events in the presence of normal aCSF, or a combination of Type 1 “sharp peak” events and Type 2 events during 0 Mg²⁺ conditions in C57 WT tissue.

(C) Comparison of UDP event signal area and maximum amplitude between normal and 0 Mg²⁺ aCSF conditions in C57 WT tissue. Student's t test (dot: one event; bar: mean ± SEM).

(D) Paired UDP event frequency under normal and 0 Mg²⁺ aCSF conditions. Within-subject aCSF vs 0 Mg²⁺ aCSF: Paired ratio t test; Between group comparisons: Student's t test (one slice per ‘WT’ mouse (n=4 C57 WT and n=2 P2ry6^{+/+}), one slice from n=5 P2ry6^{-/-}).

(E) Plot of UDP event signal area (ΔF/F·s) and timing over 15 min of normal aCSF incubation or 15 min of 0 Mg²⁺ aCSF incubation (gray box: 5 min solution exchange period; dot: one UDP event where color corresponds to a within-slice trial; one slice from n=4 representative WT mice).

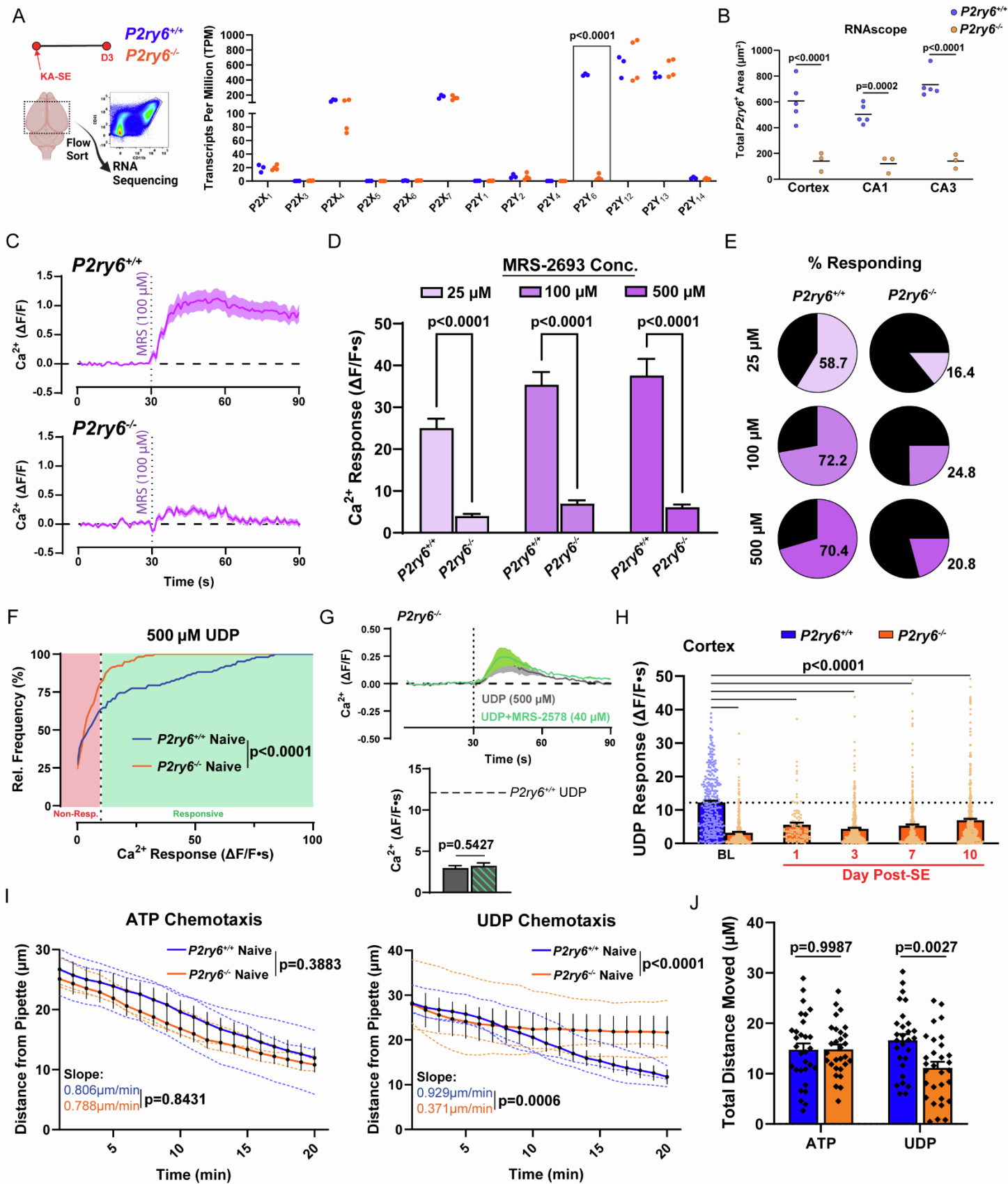


Figure S4. Functional characterization of the *P2ry6*^{-/-} mouse, related to Figure 4

(A) Isolation of microglia for transcriptomic analyses 3 days after KA-SE. Confirmation of *P2ry6* transcript loss from brain microglia without changes in other P2 receptors transcripts. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test (dot: one mouse/sample).

(B) RNAscope quantification of total *P2ry6* puncta hybridization area in naive *P2ry6*^{+/+} and *P2ry6*^{-/-} tissue by region. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test by region (dot: one imaging region per mouse; n=5 *P2ry6*^{+/+} mice and n=3 *P2ry6*^{-/-} mice).

(C) Representative *P2ry6*^{+/+} and *P2ry6*^{-/-} microglial calcium responses to MRS-2693, a high affinity P2Y₆ agonist, in naive brain slice.

(D) Overall calcium responses to MRS-2693 across a concentration range. Two-Way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test (all concentrations tested in 2-3 trials per slice; 1 slice from n=4 mice per genotype).

(E) Percentage of microglia responding to MRS-2693. (Average across trials; same dataset as C)

(F) Distribution of microglial calcium responses to 500 μ M UDP by genotype. Welch's t test of % responding ($\Delta F/F \cdot s > 10$) by trial (2-3 trials per slice; 1 slice from n=4 mice per genotype).

(G) Representative UDP calcium response in *P2ry6*^{-/-} slice in the absence or presence of bath MRS-2578, a P2Y₆-selective antagonist (top), and overall quantification (bottom; 1 slice from n=4 mice; unpaired t-test).

(H) UDP calcium responses in brain slice at baseline and time points following KA-SE. One-way ANOVA with Dunnett's post-hoc comparison to *P2ry6*^{-/-} baseline (2 slices/mouse from n=4 mice per group and time point; dot: individual ROI).

(I) Microglial process chemotaxis towards a 1 mM ATP- or UDP-containing glass pipette. Overall effect of genotype established by Two-way ANOVA; Slope comparison established by simple linear regression (dotted lines: individual trial mean;).

(J) Total distance moved by microglial processes over a 20-min trial. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test (dot: individual process; survey of 28-30 processes from 3 separate slices and animals per group).

Bar graphs and shaded line graphs both display the mean \pm SEM.

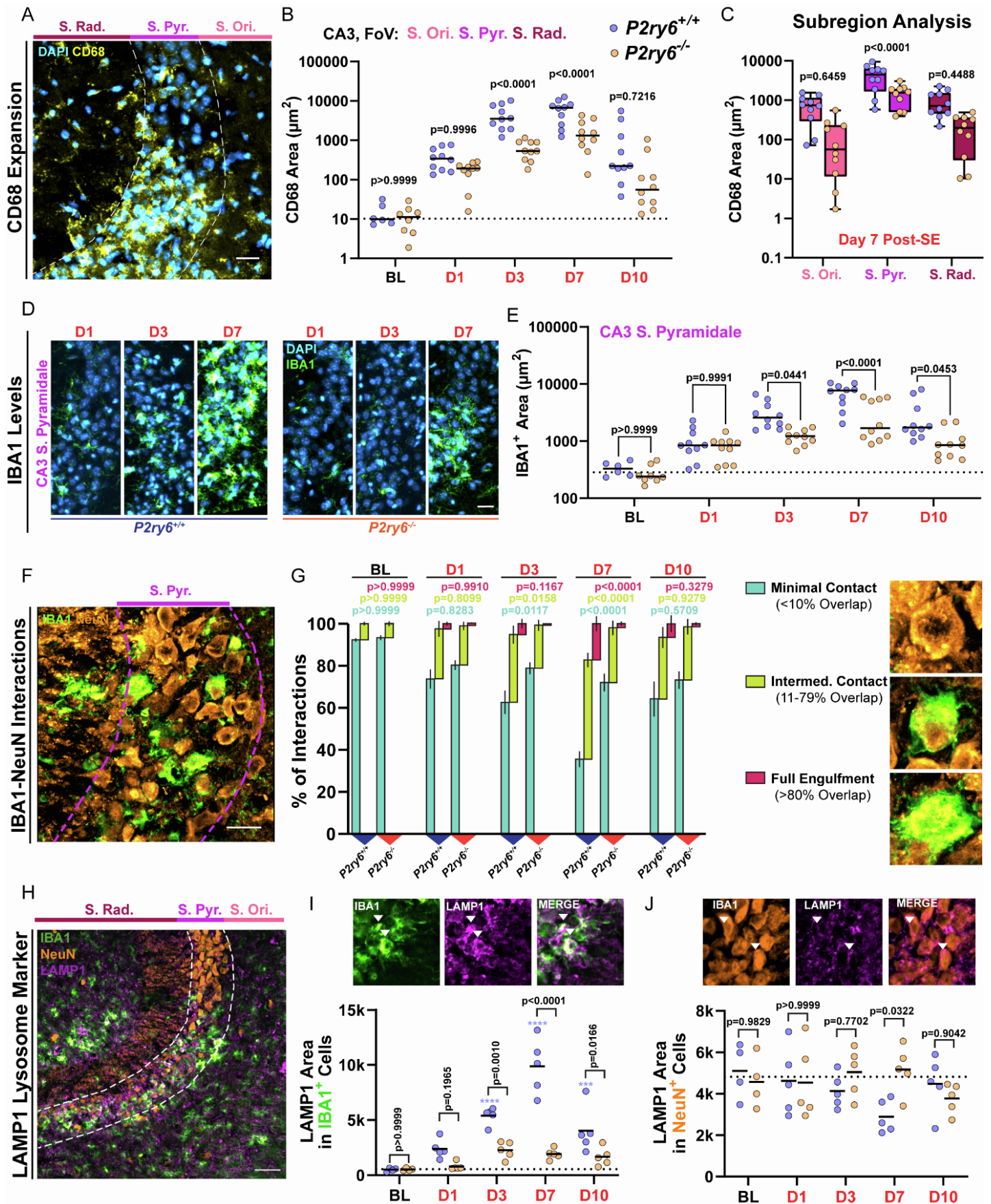


Figure S5. Evolution of phagocytic interactions in CA3, related to Figure 5

(A) Image of CD68 staining in CA3 from a day 7 post-SE WT mouse. Scale bar, 20 μm .

(B) Quantification of CD68 area over time from the entire CA3 field of view. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test.

(C) CD68 staining between genotypes day 7 post-SE by CA3 subregion. One-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test.

- (D) Representative images of IBA1 (green) in the CA3 pyramidal band during early epileptogenesis. Scale bar, 20 μ m.
- (E) Quantification of IBA1 area over time in the CA3 pyramidal band. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test.
- (F) IBA1 and NeuN cell interactions day 7 post-SE in the CA3 pyramidal layer of a WT mouse. Scale bar, 20 μ m.
- (G) Percentage of CA3 NeuN neurons having minimal/no contact with IBA1 cells, intermediate contact, or reaching full engulfment criteria across time (examples on the right). Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test by interaction type.
- (H) Staining for LAMP1, IBA1, and NeuN in the CA3 region 7 days post-SE (image from a WT mouse). Scale bar, 50 μ m.
- (I) (Top) Example of LAMP1 lysosome regions overlapping with IBA1⁺ cell volume. (Bottom) Quantification of LAMP1 area colocalized with IBA1 over time in the CA3 region. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test between genotypes (black bars with exact p-values). Two-way ANOVA with Dunnett's post-hoc comparison between WT baseline and post-SE time points (blue asterisks).
- (J) (Top) Example of LAMP1 lysosome regions overlapping with NeuN⁺ cell volume. (Bottom) Quantification of LAMP1 area colocalized with NeuN over time in the CA3 region. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test between genotypes.
- Bars represent the mean \pm SEM. Dots represent one of two hippocampi surveyed per mouse. n=3-5 mice per group.

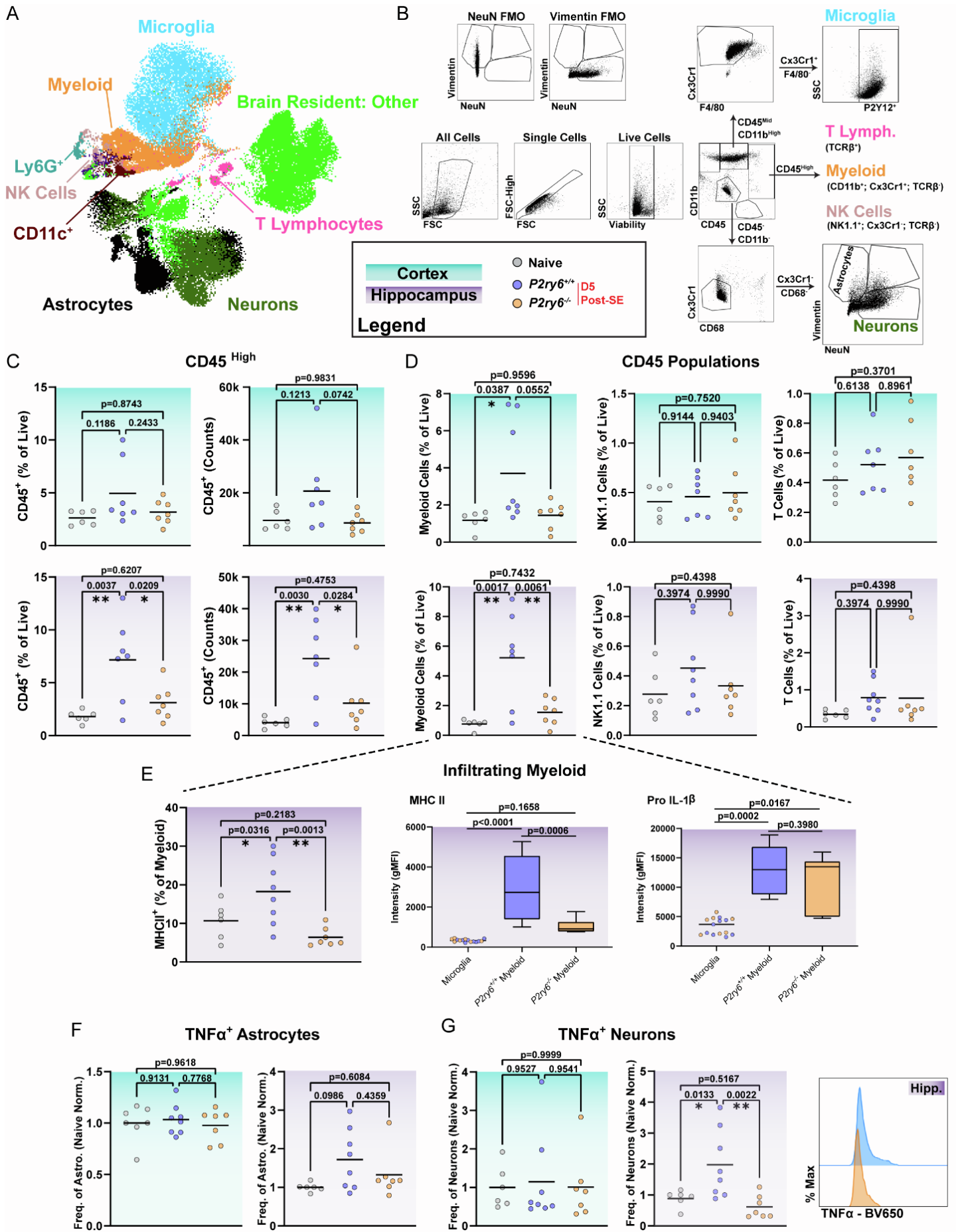


Figure S6. Greater pro-inflammatory myeloid infiltration occurs in *P2ry6*^{+/+} hippocampus, related to Figure 7

- (A) UMAP of resident and infiltrating cell populations built off FSC, SSC, all surface markers and cytokines (see STAR Methods).
- (B) Gating strategy to separate microglia, infiltrating immune populations, and other resident brain cells.
- (C) The number (counts) and frequency (% live) of CD45⁺ immune cell populations between regions and genotypes.
- (D) Further evaluation of infiltrating CD45^{High} cells based upon markers defining myeloid, NK, or T lymphocyte sub-populations.
- (E) Differences in MHCII expression frequency and intensity (gMFI) between infiltrating myeloid population in *P2ry6*^{+/+} and *P2ry6*^{-/-} hippocampus and in reference to resident microglia. Pro IL-1 β expression in infiltrating myeloid cells relative to resident microglia.
- (F) Evaluation of TNF- α expression frequency by vimentin⁺ astrocytes in cortex and hippocampus.
- (G) Expression of TNF- α in NeuN⁺ neurons, including frequency and mode-normalized representative histograms.

Data come from n=6 naïve mice (4 WT, 2 KO), n=8 *P2ry6*^{+/+} mice and n=7 *P2ry6*^{-/-} mice from two independent cohorts. Scatter plots: dot represents one mouse, line at the mean. Box and whisker plots display mean, interquartile range, and min to max. Significance testing utilized a One-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-hoc test.

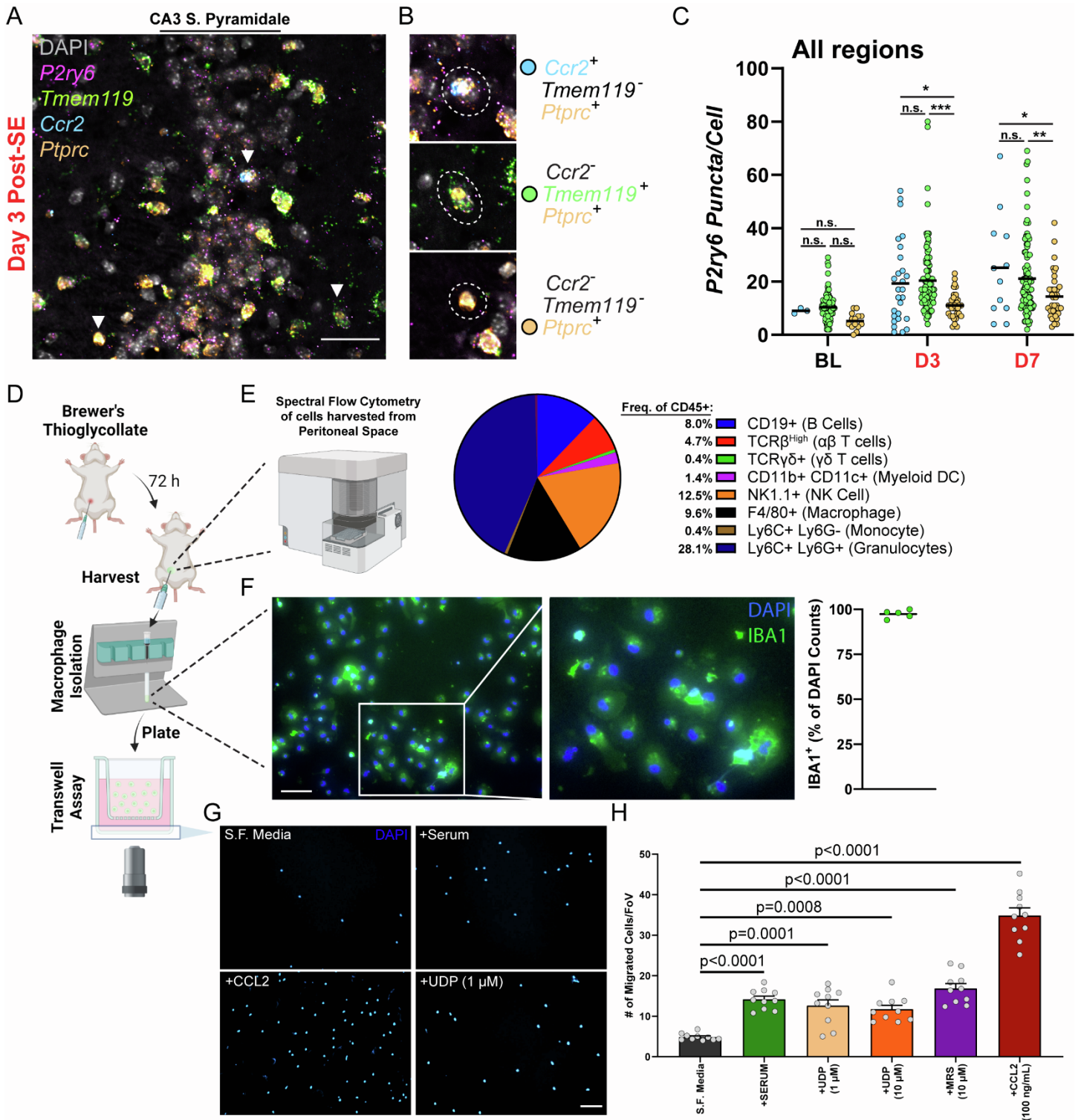


Figure S7. Myeloid cell *P2ry6* transcription and UDP-based cell migration/invasion, related to Figure 7

(A) RNAscope imaging of the CA3 region 3 days after KA-SE with DAPI staining and probes hybridized against *P2ry6*, *TMEM119*, *Ccr2*, and *Ptprc* (the transcript encoding CD45 protein). Scale bar, 50 μ m.

(B) Example $Ccr2^+$ immune cell ($Ptprc^+$), microglial cell ($Tmem119^+$; $Ccr2^-$; $Ptprc^+$), and undefined immune cell ($Ptprc^+$). Cells in (B) are depicted by arrows in (A).

(C) Quantification of *P2ry6* puncta within a 2 μ m expanded radius around DAPI nuclei, categorized and color coded in (B). Dots represent the puncta for a single cell, aggregated across all imaging regions (Cortex, CA3, and CA1) by time point. One-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-hoc test per each time point (n.s.: not significant; n=5 naïve C57 WT mice and n=4 C57 WT mice for day 3 and day 7 post-SE).

(D) Schematic depiction of transwell migration assay process.

(E) Characterization of the CD45⁺ immune cell populations obtained from the intraperitoneal space after Brewer's Thioglycollate challenge.

(F) Evaluation of IBA1⁺ nucleated cell purity following macrophage isolation (see STAR METHODS), with quantification of IBA1⁺ cells from the DAPI nucleated population (5 replicate wells; dot: average of 3 fields of view per well). Scale bar, 25 μ m.

(G) Representative images of DAPI nucleated cells on the bottom of a well after a 24h transwell migration assay. Cells plated on the transwell mesh (8 μm pore; 6.5 mm diameter) were obtained following the use of a macrophage isolation kit (as in F). Scale bar, 100 μm .

(H) Quantification of DAPI nucleated cells on the bottom of the transwell plate by chemoattractant/condition. One-way ANOVA with Dunnett's post-hoc comparison to serum-free (S.F.) Media (dots represent the average cell number from imaging 5 randomized fields of view per well; 10 wells per condition).

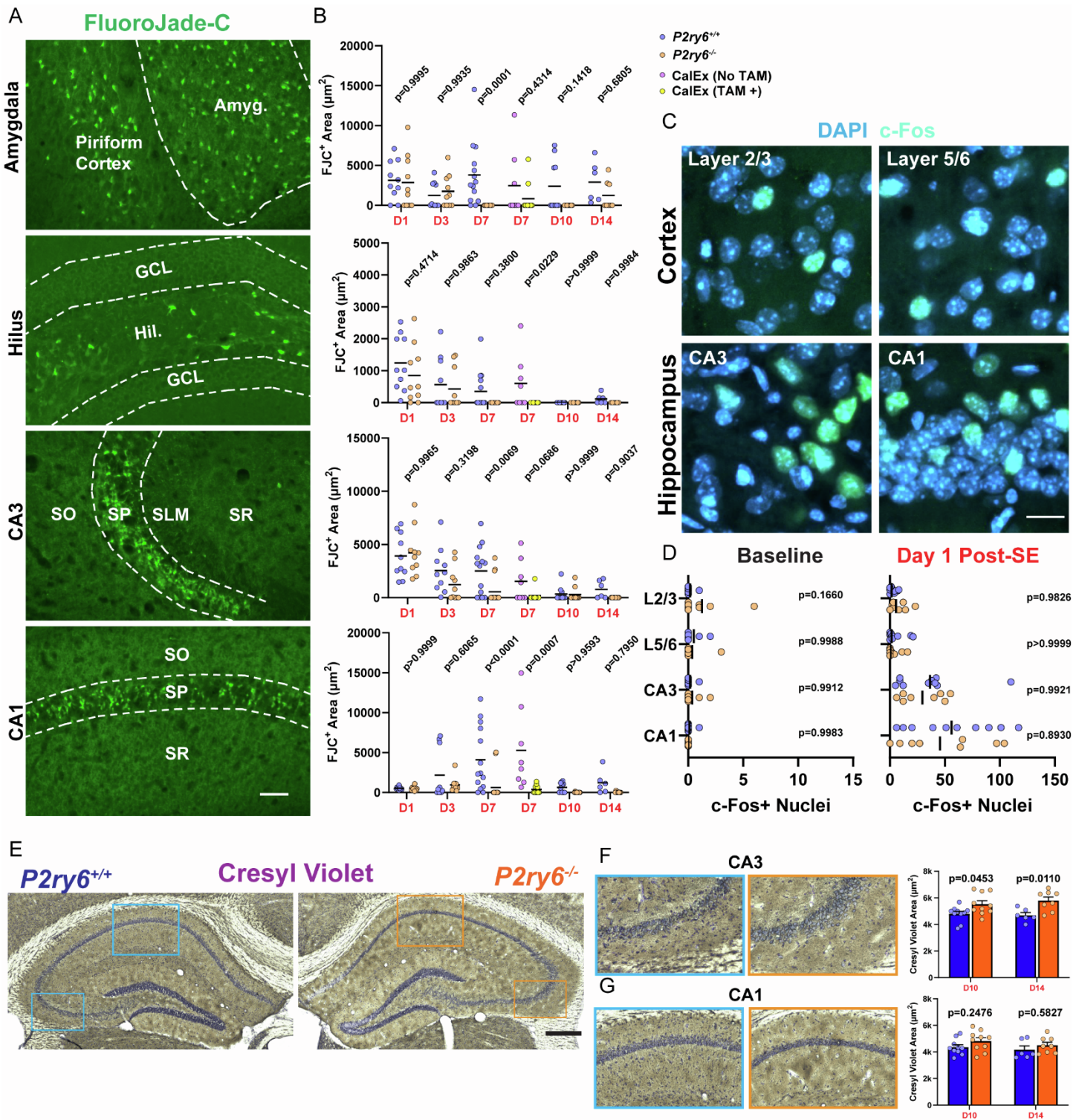


Figure S8. Comparison of neuropathology and seizure damage between genotypes, related to Figure 8

(A) Representative images of FluoroJade-C (FJC) staining one day after KA-SE in the amygdala, hilus, CA3, and CA1 regions. Scale bar, 50 μm. (GCL:Granule Cell Layer).

(B) Quantification of FJC-positive cell area by region between *P2ry6*^{+/+} and *P2ry6*^{-/-} mouse tissue (over time) or CalEx tissue and its tamoxifen-restricted control (day 7 post-SE). Two-Way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc comparison (dot: one region; bilateral survey from n=3-9 mice per group).

(C) Examples of DAPI and c-Fos staining one day after KA-SE. Scale bar, 15 μm.

(D) Quantification of c-Fos positive nuclei between genotypes at baseline and one-day after KA-SE. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test by region (dot: one region; bilateral survey from n=4-5 mice per group).

(E) Representative hippocampi stained with Cresyl Violet acetate 14 days after KA-SE. Scale bar, 500 μm.

(F, G) Enlarged images of the CA3 (F) and CA1 (G) regions with corresponding quantification of Cresyl Violet area within the pyramidal band. Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test (dot: one region; bilateral survey from n=3-5 mice per group).