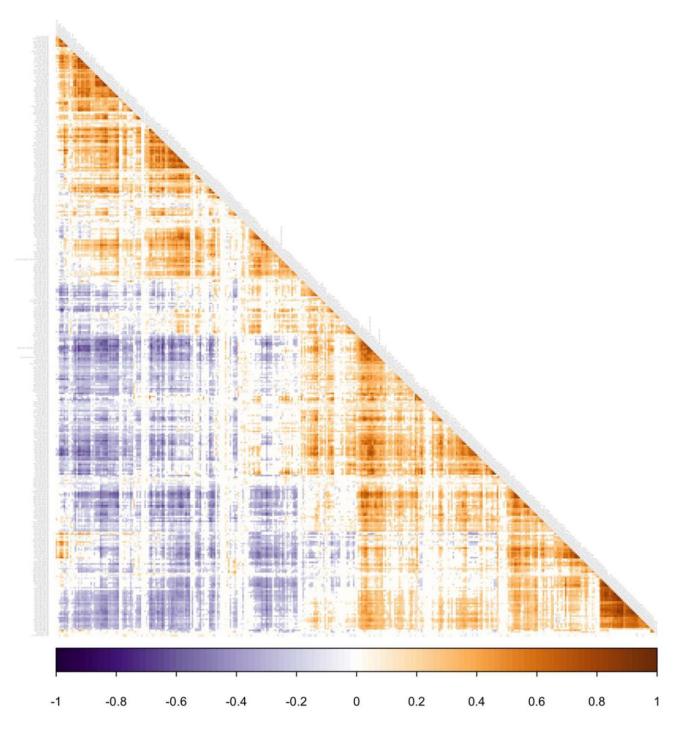
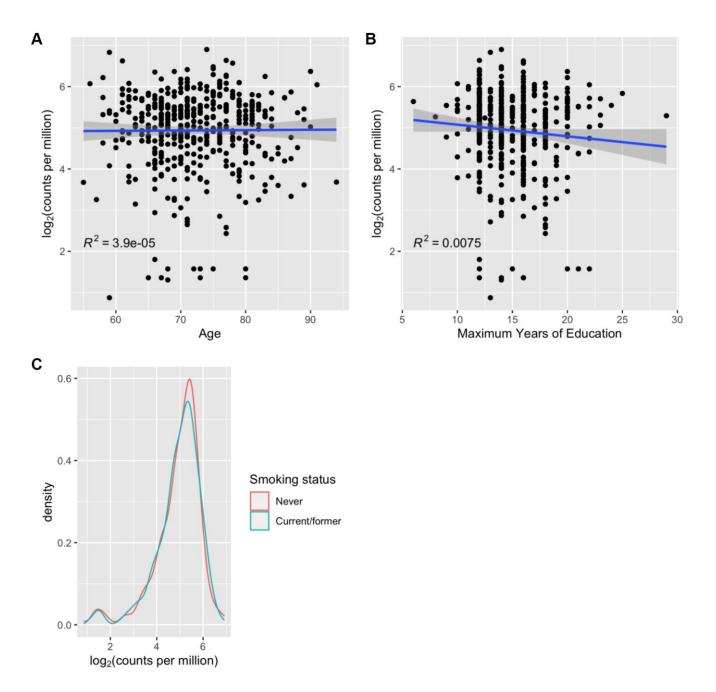
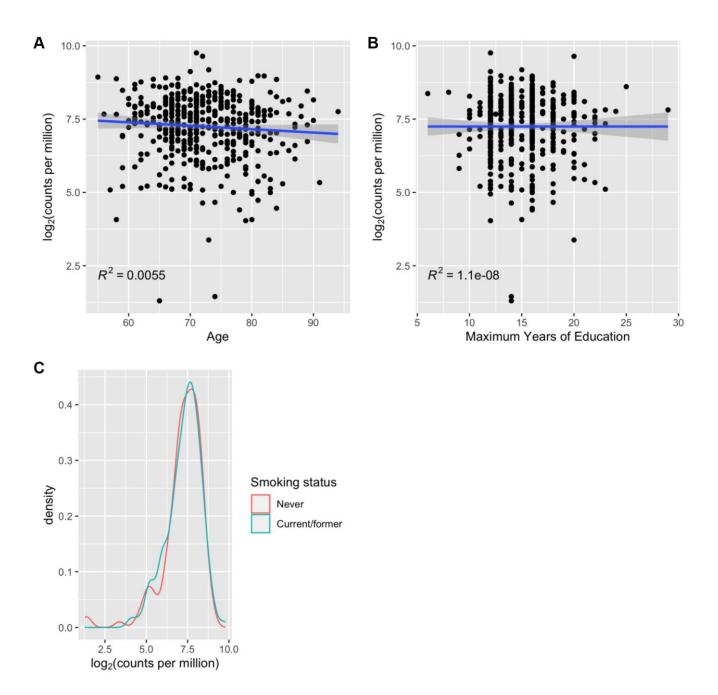
## **SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES**



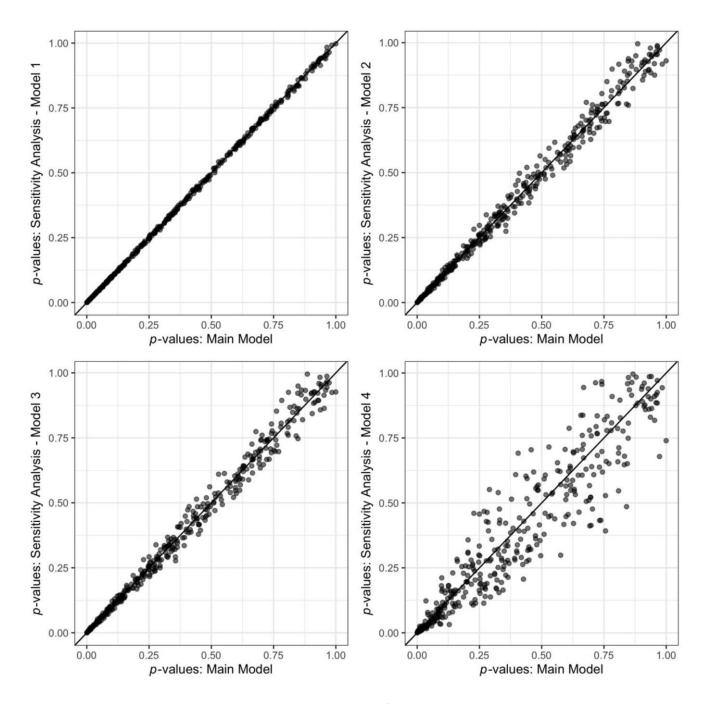
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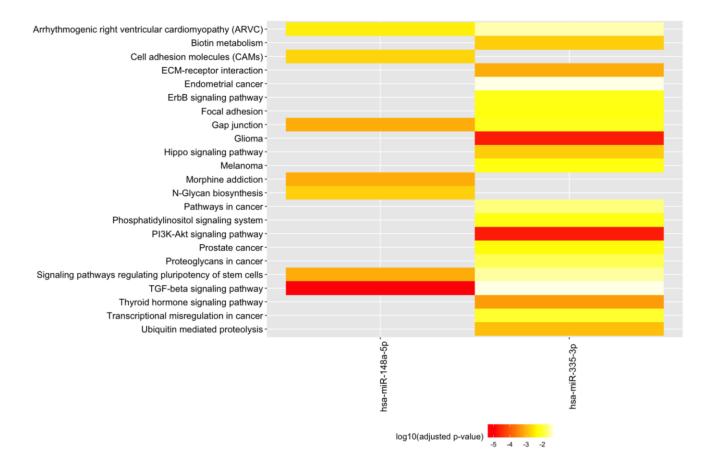
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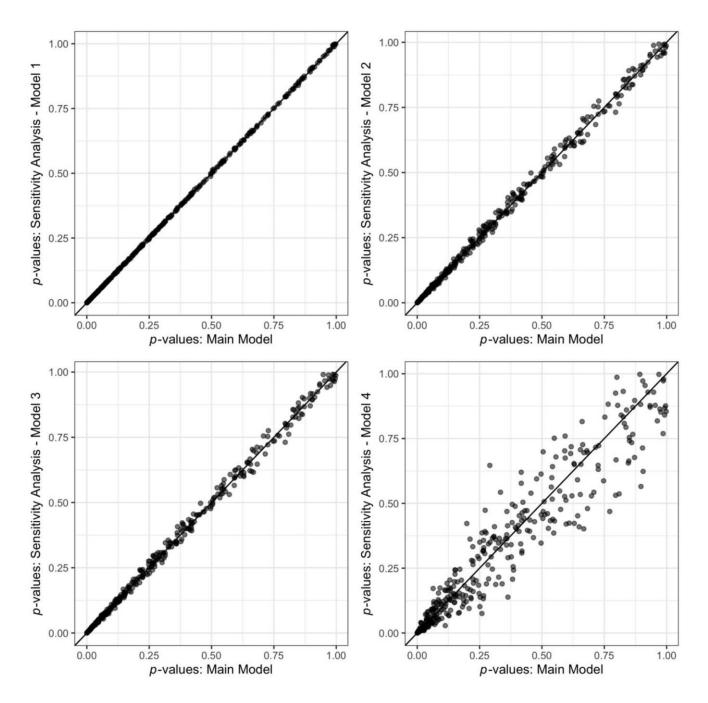
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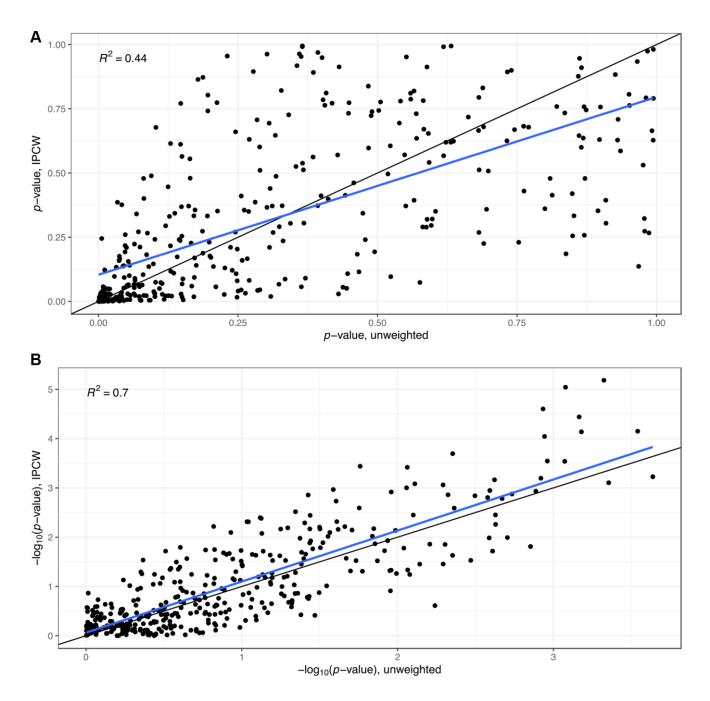
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Supplementary Figure 5. KEGG pathway enrichment analysis of predicted target genes of hsa-miR-148a-5p and hsa-miR-335-3p. KEGG pathway analysis of predicted miRNA target genes for hsa-miR-148a-5p (625 genes) and hsa-miR-335-3p (2,984 genes) identified by microT-CDS v.5.



Supplementary Figure 6. QQplots displaying unadjusted *p*-values of models used in sensitivity analyses vs. the Main Model (linear mixed model adjusted for age, education, alcohol consumption, smoking status, follow up time, and included an interaction term for miRNA and follow up time). Model 1: Main model additionally adjusted for an indicator for whether the cognitive assessment was the participant's first-ever time undergoing cognitive testing; Model 2: Main model further adjusted for physical activity, diabetes and hypertension status; Model 3: Model 2 additionally adjusting for the first cognitive test indicator; Model 4: Main model restricted to white participants only (*N* = 513).



**Supplementary Figure 7.** QQplot Displaying Unadjusted (A) *p*-values and (B)  $-\log_{10}(p$ -values) of Unweighted Complete Case Analysis vs. Inverse Probability of Censoring-Weighted (IPCW) Complete Case Analysis. These linear mixed models were adjusted for age, education, alcohol consumption, smoking status, follow up time, and included an interaction term for miRNA and follow up time. *N* = 526 subjects with 1,285 person-visits. Black line: slope = 1. Blue line: linear regression line.