

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Memory quality modulates the effect of aging on memory consolidation during sleep: Reduced maintenance but intact gain

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Supplementary Table 1. Bivariate correlations between sleep variables, brain regions of interest, and memory measures in the whole sample

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
1	<i>Fast SP density</i>														
2	<i>Slow SP density</i>		0.517 (<.001)												
3	<i>SO density</i>	0.183 (.182)	-0.132 (.335)												
4	<i>SWA</i>	0.285 (.035)	0.059 (.669)	0.458 (<.001)											
5	<i>mPFC</i>		0.583 (<.001)	0.434 (<.001)	0.229 (.098)	0.481 (<.001)									
6	<i>Thalamus</i>	0.440 (.001)	0.390 (.004)	-0.065 (.644)	0.160 (.253)	0.635 (<.001)									
7	<i>Hippocampus</i>		0.556 (<.001)	0.313 (.023)	0.074 (.595)	0.413 (.002)	0.726 (<.001)	0.662 (<.001)							
8	<i>Entorhinal cortex</i>		0.489 (<.001)	0.372 (.006)	0.052 (.712)	0.393 (.004)	0.616 (<.001)	0.548 (<.001)	0.800 (<.001)						
9	<i>Age</i>		-0.682 (<.001)	-0.460 (<.001)	-0.180 (.194)	-0.426 (<.001)	-0.758 (<.001)	-0.603 (<.001)	-0.722 (<.001)	-0.666 (<.001)					
10	<i>Low quality (gain)</i>	-0.013 (.925)	0.028 (.839)	-0.071 (.607)	-0.160 (.243)	0.108 (.400)	0.318 (.011)	0.142 (.267)	0.131 (.306)	-0.088 (.488)					
11	<i>Medium quality (maintenance)</i>		0.674 (<.001)	0.337 (.012)	0.274 (.043)	0.396 (.003)	0.665 (<.001)	0.568 (<.001)	0.584 (<.001)	0.527 (<.001)	-0.766 (<.001)	0.264 (.032)			
12	<i>High quality (maintenance)</i>		0.512 (<.001)	0.338 (.012)	0.329 (.014)	0.360 (.007)	0.610 (<.001)	0.575 (<.001)	0.458 (<.001)	0.406 (<.001)	-0.688 (<.001)	0.325 (.008)	0.808 (<.001)		
13	<i>LSPS</i>		-0.867 (<.001)	-0.572 (<.001)	-0.419 (.002)	-0.610 (<.001)	-0.712 (<.001)	-0.414 (<.001)	-0.575 (<.001)	-0.533 (<.001)	0.727 (<.001)	0.057 (.680)	-0.689 (<.001)	-0.640 (<.001)	
14	<i>LBSS</i>		-0.609 (<.001)	-0.429 (.002)	-0.090 (.525)	-0.421 (.002)	-0.870 (<.001)	-0.813 (<.001)	-0.919 (<.001)	-0.848 (<.001)	0.775 (<.001)	-0.219 (.087)	-0.680 (<.001)	-0.608 (<.001)	0.653 (<.001)

Note. Spearman's correlation coefficients. Correlations in black fall below an α -level of .05. Bold black correlation coefficients fall below the Bonferroni-adjusted α -level of .00028. LBSS: latent brain structure score, LSPS: latent sleep profile score, mPFC: medial prefrontal cortex, SP: spindle, SO: slow oscillation, SWA: slow-wave activity.

Supplementary Table 2. Bivariate correlations between sleep variables, brain regions of interest, and memory measures in younger adults

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
1	<i>Fast SP density</i>													
2	<i>Slow SP density</i>	0.661 (.001)												
3	<i>SO density</i>	-0.447 (.030)	-0.107 (.618)											
4	<i>SWA</i>	-0.333 (.112)	-0.275 (.193)	0.503 (.013)										
5	<i>mPFC</i>	0.042 (.835)	0.064 (.765)	-0.066 (.759)	-0.013 (.953)									
6	<i>Thalamus</i>	0.349 (.075)	0.250 (.237)	-0.351 (.093)	-0.379 (.069)	0.444 (.015)								
7	<i>Hippocampus</i>	0.093 (.642)	-0.210 (.324)	-0.366 (.079)	-0.283 (.180)	0.322 (.083)	0.477 (.008)							
8	<i>Entorhinal cortex</i>	0.209 (.293)	0.154 (.471)	-0.237 (.265)	-0.138 (.518)	0.022 (.910)	0.342 (.065)	0.483 (.007)						
9	<i>Age</i>	-0.441 (.025)	-0.370 (.083)	0.308 (.152)	0.023 (.919)	-0.081 (.676)	-0.129 (.503)	-0.067 (.731)	-0.111 (.564)					
10	<i>Low quality (gain)</i>	-0.008 (.967)	0.306 (.146)	-0.134 (.531)	-0.407 (.049)	0.176 (.351)	0.232 (.217)	0.060 (.752)	0.155 (.414)	0.153 (.427)				
11	<i>Medium quality (maintenance)</i>	0.207 (.299)	0.365 (.080)	0.086 (.688)	-0.163 (.444)	-0.017 (.929)	0.200 (.287)	-0.244 (.193)	-0.190 (.313)	-0.359 (.057)	0.305 (.101)			
12	<i>High quality (maintenance)</i>	0.127 (.527)	0.358 (.086)	0.096 (.657)	0.002 (.993)	0.179 (.344)	0.279 (.136)	-0.248 (.187)	-0.132 (.486)	-0.382 (.041)	0.219 (.244)	0.535 (.002)		
13	<i>LSPS</i>	-0.593 (.003)	-0.588 (.041)	-0.218 (.315)	-0.396 (.062)	-0.065 (.767)	0.054 (.806)	0.322 (.134)	-0.016 (.944)	0.259 (.232)	0.094 (.670)	-0.114 (.604)	-0.132 (.548)	
14	<i>LBSS</i>	-0.247 (.223)	-0.079 (.719)	0.328 (.127)	0.239 (.271)	-0.620 (<.001)	-0.808 (<.001)	-0.841 (<.001)	-0.628 (<.001)	0.178 (.353)	-0.198 (.302)	0.052 (.790)	-0.049 (.802)	-0.079 (.719)

Note. Spearman's correlation coefficients. Correlations in black fall below an α -level of .05. Bold black correlation coefficients fall below the Bonferroni-adjusted α -level of .00028. LBSS: latent brain structure score, LSPS: latent sleep profile score, mPFC: medial prefrontal cortex, SP: spindle, SO: slow oscillation, SWA: slow-wave activity.

Supplementary Table 3. Bivariate correlations between sleep variables, brain regions of interest, and memory measures in older adults

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1 <i>Fast SP density</i>													
2 <i>Slow SP density</i>	0.306 (.094)												
3 <i>SO density</i>	0.151 (.415)	-0.402 (.026)											
4 <i>SWA</i>	-0.114 (.541)	-0.107 (.566)	0.312 (.087)										
5 <i>mPFC</i>	-0.052 (.788)	0.232 (.225)	0.127 (.511)	0.033 (.867)									
6 <i>Thalamus</i>	-0.006 (.977)	0.133 (.488)	-0.142 (.461)	-0.039 (.839)	0.364 (.038)								
7 <i>Hippocampus</i>	0.101 (.599)	0.160 (.405)	-0.027 (.889)	0.065 (.739)	0.228 (.201)	0.457 (.008)							
8 <i>Entorhinal cortex</i>	-0.068 (.723)	0.029 (.881)	-0.196 (.308)	0.023 (.905)	0.082 (.648)	0.183 (.306)	0.648 (<.001)						
9 <i>Age</i>	-0.143 (.444)	-0.130 (.486)	0.060 (.747)	0.131 (.482)	-0.171 (.341)	-0.374 (.032)	-0.380 (.029)	-0.198 (.270)					
10 <i>Low quality (gain)</i>	0.052 (.779)	-0.063 (.734)	-0.049 (.794)	-0.005 (.978)	0.252 (.156)	0.489 (.004)	0.324 (.067)	0.194 (.278)	-0.409 (.013)				
11 <i>Medium quality (maintenance)</i>	0.338 (.063)	-0.281 (.126)	0.097 (.603)	-0.128 (.492)	-0.021 (.908)	0.338 (.054)	0.234 (.189)	0.030 (.867)	-0.255 (.133)	0.463 (.004)			
12 <i>High quality (maintenance)</i>	0.118 (.527)	-0.169 (.362)	0.218 (.237)	-0.017 (.928)	0.202 (.259)	0.469 (.006)	0.228 (.201)	0.003 (.987)	-0.358 (.032)	0.502 (.002)	0.620 (<.001)		
13 <i>LSPS</i>	-0.690 (<.001)	-0.426 (.018)	-0.379 (.036)	-0.408 (.023)	-0.203 (.290)	-0.012 (.950)	-0.237 (.214)	0.090 (.641)	0.114 (.541)	0.008 (.968)	-0.004 (.982)	-0.094 (.612)	
14 <i>LBSS</i>	-0.033 (.867)	-0.180 (.348)	0.073 (.706)	-0.049 (.799)	-0.554 (.001)	-0.640 (<.001)	-0.789 (<.001)	-0.694 (<.001)	0.278 (.117)	-0.465 (.007)	-0.260 (.144)	-0.311 (.078)	-0.130 (.500)

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Supplementary Table 4. Memory gain and maintenance by sleep profile subgroup

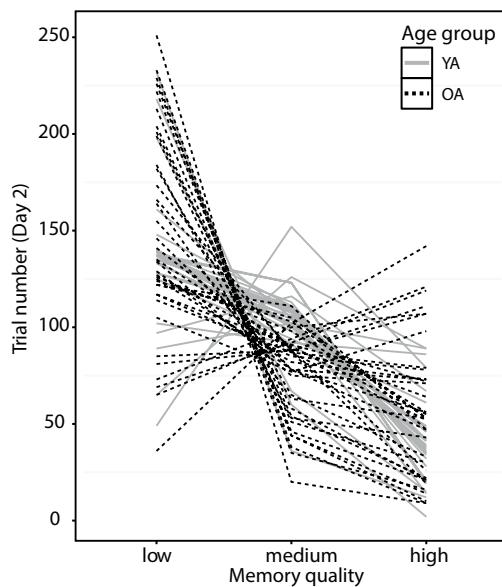
SLEEP PROFILE				
	Younger adults		Older adults	
	young–Young (n = 12)	old–Young (n = 11)	young–Old (n = 7)	old–Old (n = 24)
GAIN				
low-quality memory	10.11 [7.11; 11.13]	8.76 [6.91; 12.53]	9.64 [4.05; 11.26]	11.36 [6.09; 15.71]
MAINTENANCE				
medium-quality memory	91.55 [89.73; 94.71]	89.29 [85.29; 94.95]	62.82 [59.57; 72.92]	66.35 [55.8; 71.47]
high-quality memory	98.88 [95.00; 100.00]	97.62 [94.39; 100.00]	88.43 [84.57; 91.72]	85.48 [80.27; 90.1]

Note. Sleep profile subgroups correspond to the subgroups marked in Figure 3b that pinpoint younger and older adults with comparable and distinct sleep profiles: young–Young (= younger adults showing a clearly distinct sleep profile from older adults), old–Young (= younger adults exhibiting a sleep profile comparable to older adults), young–Old (= older adults with a ‘youth-like’ sleep profile), old–Old (=older adults with a sleep profile clearly distinct from younger adults).

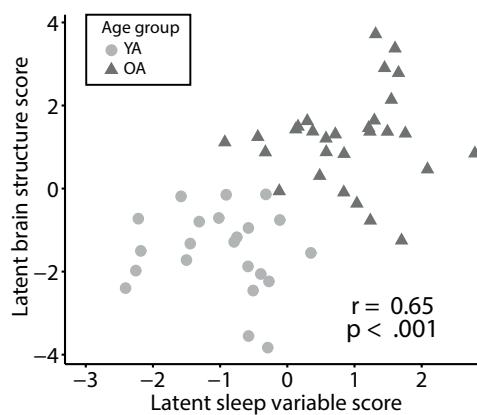
Supplementary Table 5. Memory gain and maintenance by brain structure subgroup

BRAIN STRUCTURE				
	Younger adults		Older adults	
	young–Young (n = 17)	old–Young (n = 12)	young–Old (n = 5)	old–Old (n = 28)
GAIN				
low-quality memory	9.60 [7.86; 11.72]	8.57 [5.86; 10.3]	15.28 [13.51; 18.9]	8 [4.64; 11.91]
MAINTENANCE				
medium-quality memory	89.29 [87.76; 94.40]	90.71 [83.45; 92.05]	66.04 [59.52; 70.42]	65.97 [56.36; 71.47]
high-quality memory	97.62 [96.42; 100.00]	98.91 [92.72; 100.00]	88.43 [87.23; 90.00]	87.41 [79.81; 90.5]

Note. Brain structure subgroups correspond to the subgroups marked in Figure 4b that pinpoint younger and older adults with comparable and distinct brain structure profiles: young–Young (= younger adults with structural brain integrity clearly distinct from older adults), old–Young (= younger adults exhibiting a brain structure profile comparable to older adults), young–Old (= older adults with ‘youth-like’ structural brain integrity), old–Old (=older adults with a brain structure profile clearly distinct from younger adults).



Supplementary Figure 1. Trial composition on Day 2. The number of trials during delayed retrieval on Day 2 is displayed for each memory quality condition (as defined by recall success on Day 1). Lines represent single subjects. Note the great inter-individual variability in trial composition on Day 2, which is caused by differential learning trajectories on Day 1. YA: younger adults, OA: older adults.



Supplementary Figure 2. Latent variable association. Each participant's latent brain structure score is plotted against the latent sleep profile score. Spearman's rank-order correlation coefficient for the whole sample is displayed. YA: younger adults, OA: older adults.