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Supplemental information

Identification of proteotoxic and proteoprotective bacteria that non-specifically affect proteins associated with neurodegenerative diseases

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Pharyngeal pumping

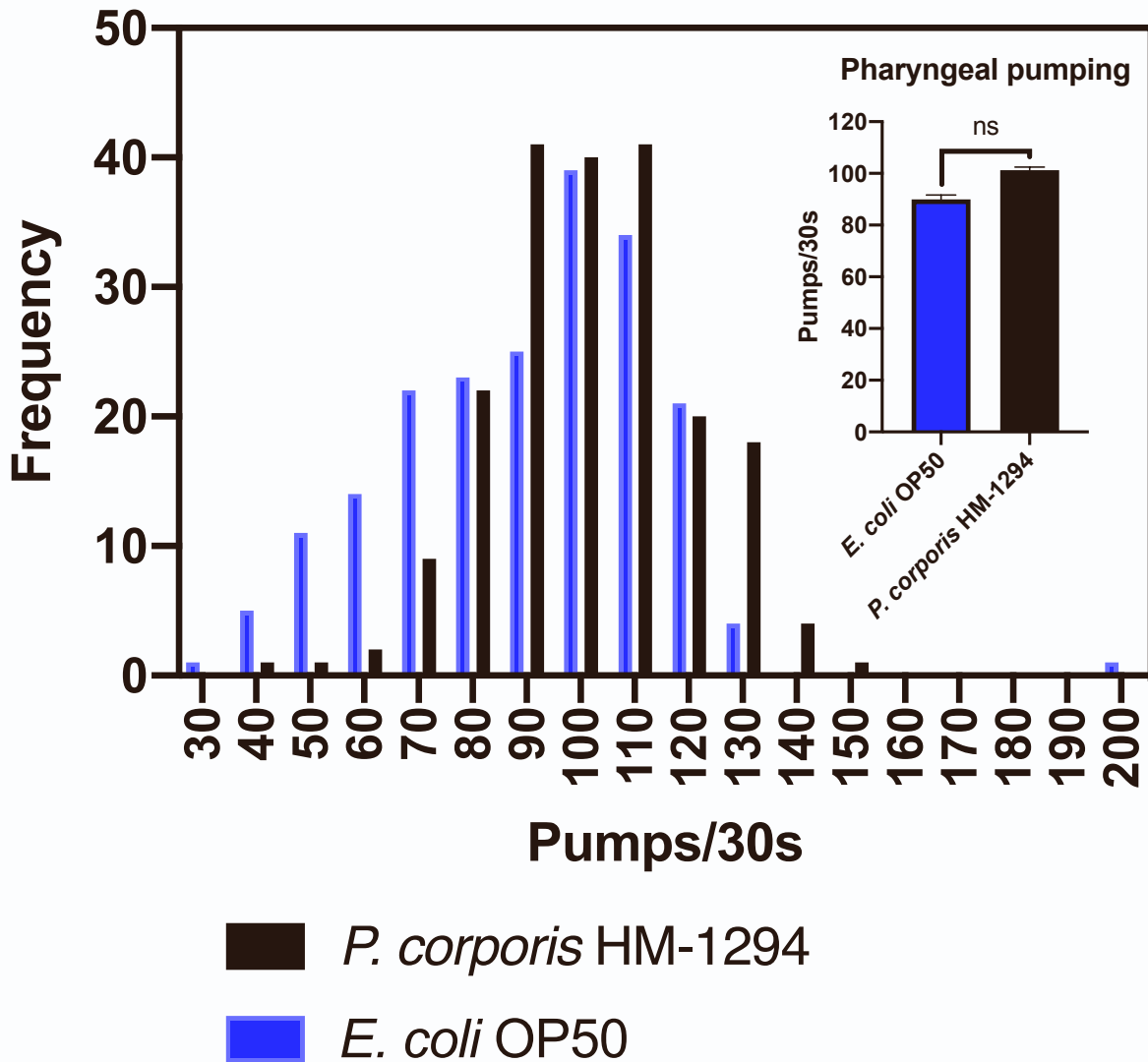


Fig. S1. The effect of proteoprotective *P. corporis* on pharyngeal pumping, related to Figure 3. Data are represented as the average number of pharyngeal pumps per 30 seconds for a total of ten data points per worm (N2) and three independent experiments for a total of 20 worms per condition. Mean pumping rates of worms fed *P. corporis* HM-1294 (101.22 pumps/30 sec +/- SEM 1.28) are not significantly different from those fed *E. coli* OP50 control (89.97 +/- 1.68 SEM) as determined by t-test ($p > 0.9999$); distribution of pumping rates of worms fed *P. corporis* HM-1294 are not significantly different from those fed *E. coli* OP50 control as determined by Kolmogorov-Smirnov test ($p = 0.9639$).

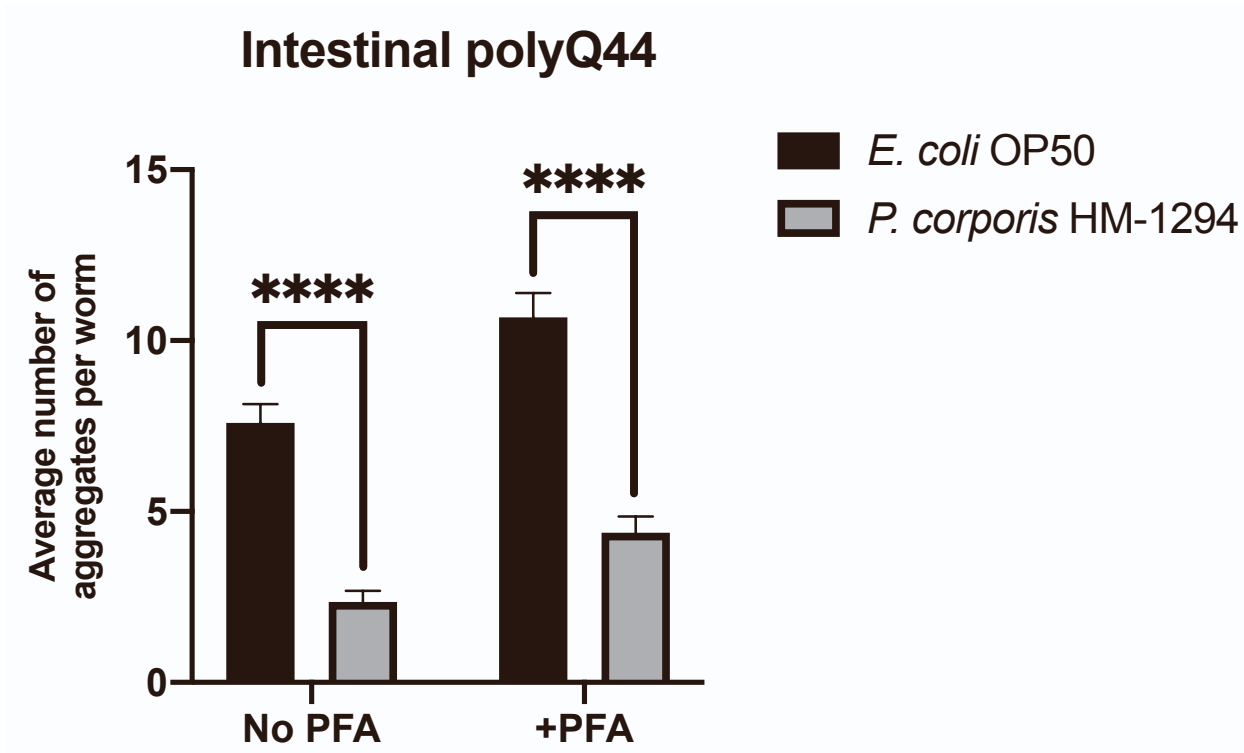


Fig. S2. The effect of PFA-killed *P. corporis* on intestinal polyQ aggregation, related to Figure 3. Data are represented as the average number of aggregates per intestinal polyQ44 worm. Each bar represents two independent experiments for a total of 60 worms. Error bars represent SEM. Statistical significance was calculated using Student's t-test (**** $p < 0.0001$).

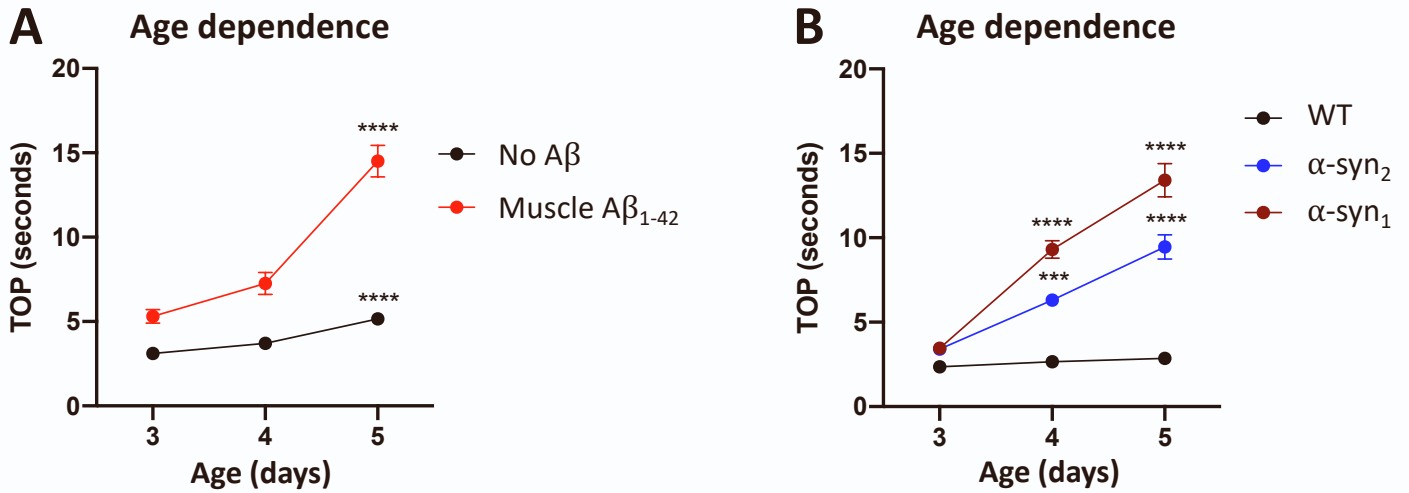


Fig. S3. Age-dependent motility defects in transgenic animals harboring aggregation-prone A β_{1-42} and α -synuclein, related to Figures 3 and 4. Age-dependent changes in the motility of animals expressing muscle-specific (A) A β_{1-42} and (B) α -synuclein and corresponding control animals: empty vector (No A β) and wild-type N2 (WT). Data are represented as the average TOP (seconds) per worm. Each data point represents two independent experiments for a total of 20 worms. Error bars represent SEM. Statistical significance was calculated using one-way analysis of variants (ANOVA) followed by multiple comparison Dunnett's post-hoc test (**p<0.01, ***p<0.001, ****p<0.0001).

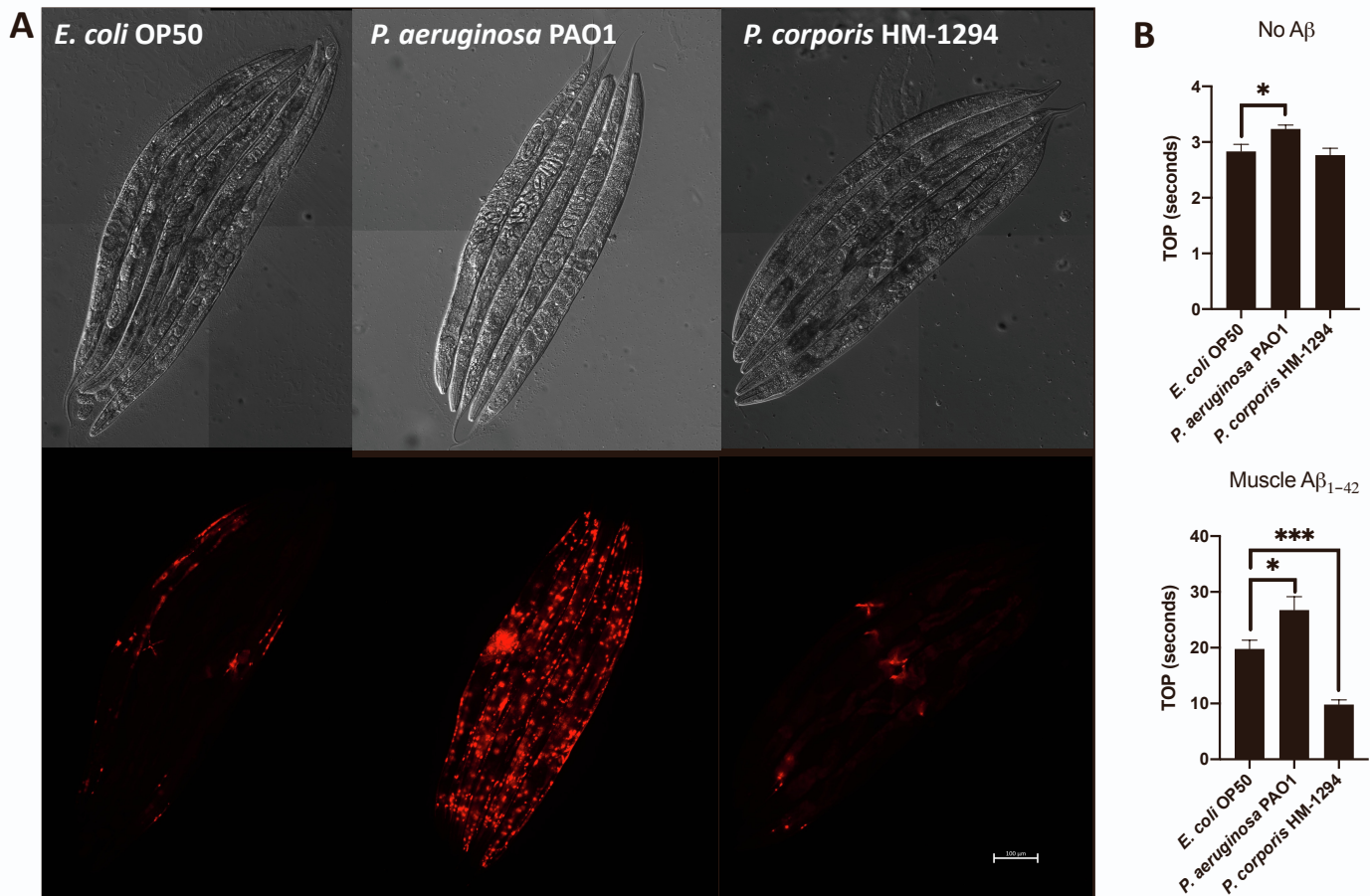


Fig. S4. The effect of bacteria on A β_{1-42} aggregation and the associated toxicity, related to Figure 3. (A) Nomarski and fluorescent images (mScarlet) and the corresponding (B) TOP motility measurements of transgenic worms expressing muscle-specific A β_{1-42} fed a proteoprotective strain (*P. corporis*) and a proteotoxic strain (*P. aeruginosa*). Data are represented as the average TOP (seconds) per worm. Each data point represents the average of three independent experiments for a total of 30 worms. Error bars represent SEM. Statistical significance was calculated using one-way analysis of variants (ANOVA) followed by multiple comparison Dunnett's post-hoc test (* $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.001$). Scale bar is 100 μm .

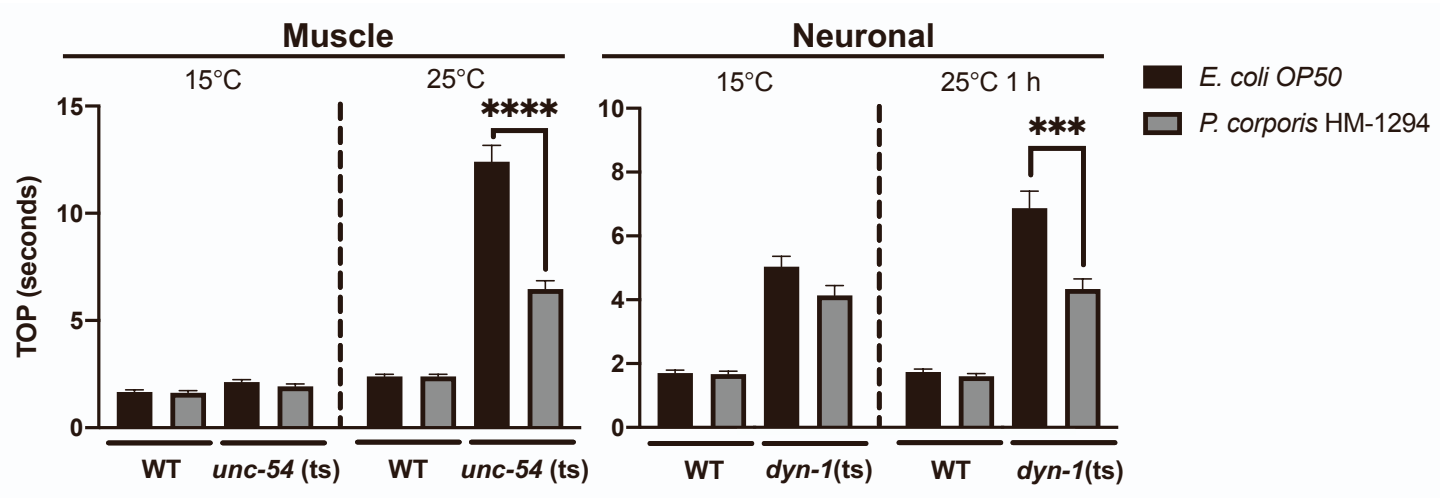


Figure S5. The effect of *P. corporis* on temperature-dependent motility defects, related to Figure 3.

Temperature-dependent changes in the motility of animals expressing a muscle-specific mutation in the myosin heavy-chain gene (*e1301*) ("Muscle") and mutation in the GTPase domain (*dyn-1*) ("Neuronal"). Wild-type (WT) indicates the N2 control worms, (ts) indicates the temperature-sensitive worm strain. Data are represented as the average TOP (seconds) per worm. Each data point represents three independent experiments for a total of 30 worms. Error bars represent SEM. Statistical significance was calculated using Student's t-test (** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$).

Quantification of intestinal bacteria

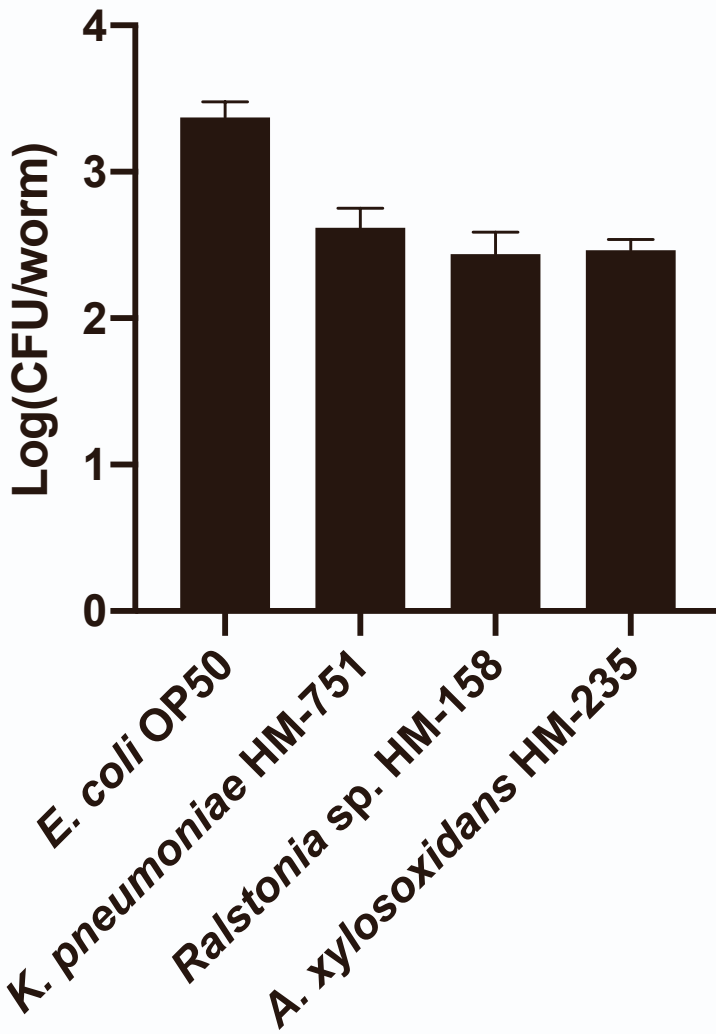


Figure S6. Enumeration of proteotoxic bacteria in the *C. elegans* intestine, related to Figure 4. Data are represented as the average bacterial load per N2 worm [Log(CFU/worm)]. Each bar represents three independent experiments for a total of 30 worms. Error bars represent SEM.

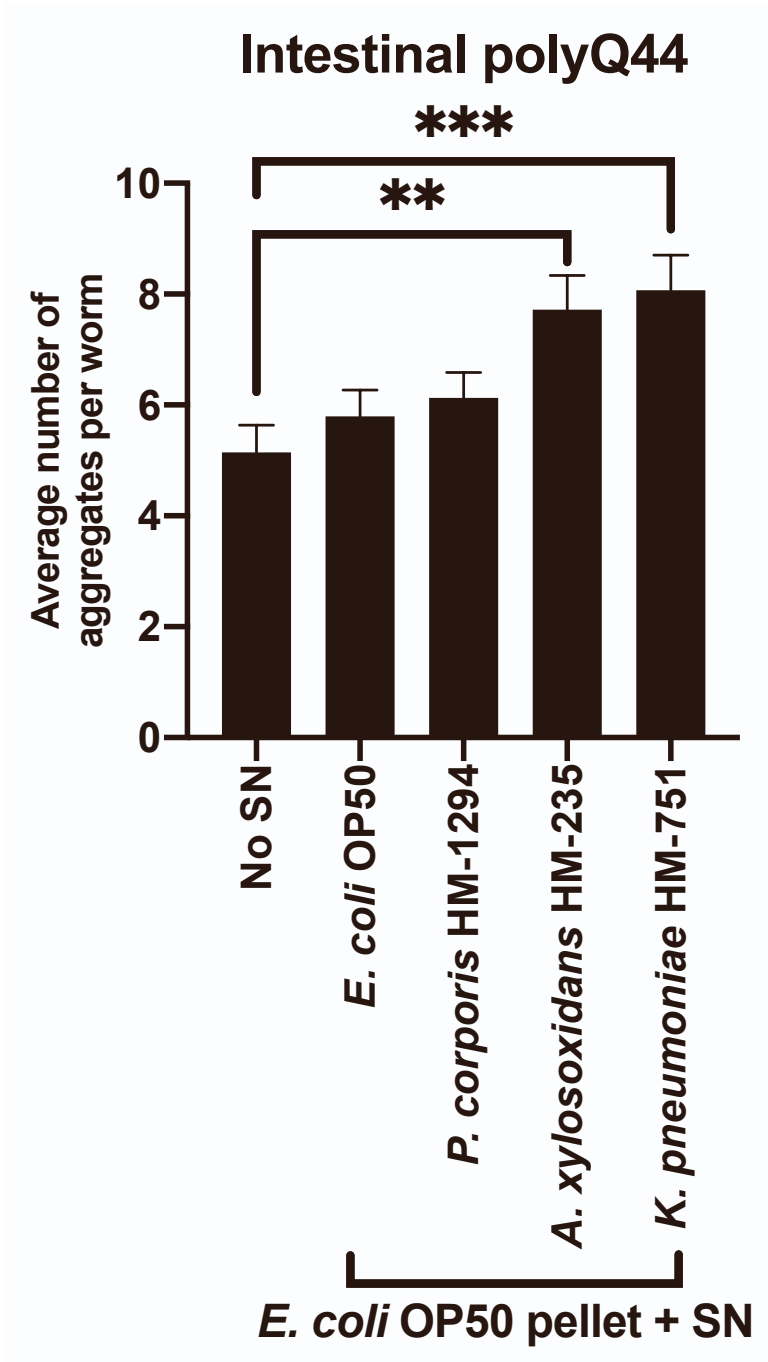


Figure S7. The effect of bacterial supernatants on intestinal polyQ aggregation in *C. elegans*, related to Figure 4. Data are represented as the average number of aggregates per intestinal polyQ44 worm. Each bar represents three independent experiments for a total of 98 worms. Error bars represent SEM. Statistical significance was calculated using one-way analysis of variants (ANOVA) followed by Dunnett's post-hoc test (** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$).

