

Tetrodotoxin effect on D₁R or H₃R agonist-mediated ERK 1/2 phosphorylation. Rat striatal slices were treated for 10 min with 1 μ M tetrodotoxin before addition of ligands. Slices were incubated in the absence or in the presence of 10 μ M thioperamide (a) or 10 μ M SCH 23390 (b) prior to the addition of medium or 1 μ M SKF 38393 (a) or 1 μ M imetit (b) and incubated further (10 min). ERK1/2 phosphorylation was determined as indicated in Materials and Methods. The immunoreactive bands from 7 to 16 (a) or 5 to 16 (b) slices obtained from 3 to 8 animals were quantified and values represent as mean \pm S.E.M. of the percentage of phosphorylation relative to basal levels found in untreated slices (100 %). Significant differences were calculated by one-way ANOVA with post-hoc Bonferroni's multiple tests (* p< 0.05, ** p< 0.01, *** p <0.001, as compared to TTX alone or as indicated by bar).