Supplementary Information

For

A Potential Biochemical Mechanism Underlying the Influence of Sterol Deprivation Stress on the *Caenorhabditis elegans* Longevity

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Table S1. DNA sequence information for qRT-PCR primers used in this experiment.

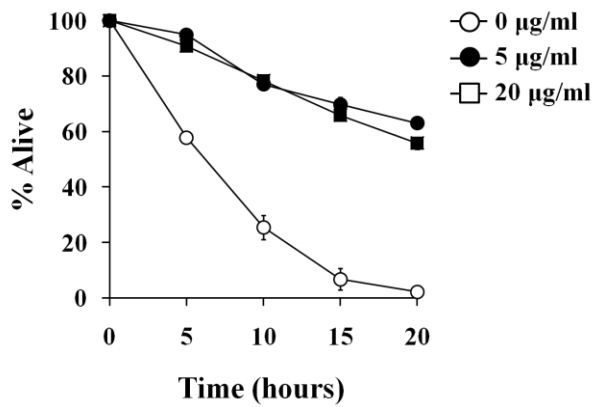| Gene Name	DNA sequence
ins-1	(forward)5'-ACTGGATTAACCGCTTTCAAAC-3' (reverse) 5'-TCAATTATCGTCCTGATTGCAG-3'
ins-7	(forward) 5'-TTGTGGAAAAGCATGCGAATC-3' (reverse) 5'-TTAAGGACAGCACTGTTTTCG-3'
ins-18	(forward) 5'-ACGGACGCATGAAAATGTGC-3' (reverse) 5'-TTGAAGTTGACGGATTGATGG-3'
daf-28	(forward) 5'-TTCCGTATGTGTGGAGTGTC-3' (reverse) 5'-TTTGTATATACTCGGCAGTGC-3'

Fig. S1.Cholesterol affects oxidative stress resistance.

Cholesterol depletion cause decrease in the oxidative stress resistance in N2.   Thirty worms grown on different concentration of cholesterol 0 µg/ml, 5 µg/ml and 20 µg/ml, were treated with paraquat, and the experiment was performed three times ($p > 0.001$ at 20hr time point.   Each point indicates mean value of three independent experiments (n=30) and err bar is SEM.   p values were derived from a Student's t-test.