

Hypoxia-inducible factor 1 protects hypoxic astrocytes against glutamate toxicity

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SUPPLEMENTARY DATA



Figure S1 CoCl₂ (cobalt chloride) further reduces astrocyte damage induced by Glu (A) Immunostaining characterization of cultured rat cortical astrocytes. Representative images depicting GFAP (red) and HIF-1a (green) in astrocytes treated with 0.3 mM CoCl₂ and 1 mM glutathionine under N (normoxia, 21% 0₂) for 3 h. (B) Quantification of morphology using one of the 13 features computed from each cell to measure and compare texture. Astrocytes were treated with 0 and 1 mM Glu under N (normoxia, 21% 0), 1 mM Glu exposed to SH (severe hypoxia, 0.1% 0₂) and 0 mM CoCl₂ and 1 mM Glu under normoxia (N, 21% 0₂) for 3 h. **P*<0.05 versus 0 mM Glu under N, #*P*<0.05 versus 1 mM Glu under N, ^A*P*<0.005 versus 1 mM Glu under N (*n*=3).

Abbreviations: BSO, L-butathione sulfoximine; CNS, central nervous system; DAPI, 4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole; DMEM, Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium; ENT-1, equilibrative nucleoside transporter 1; EPO, erythropoietin; FBS, fetal bovine serum; GFAP, glial fibrillary acidic protein; Glu, glutamate; GSH, reduced glutathione; HBSS, Hanks balanced salt solution; HIF-1, hypoxia-inducible factor-1; HO-1, haem oxygenase 1; HSP, heat-shock protein; LDH, lactate dehydrogenase; MCB, monochlorobimane; MTT, 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyl-2H-tetrazolium bromide; ROS, reactive oxygen species; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor; YC-1, 3-(50hydroxymethyl-20-furyl)-1-benzylindazole; 2Me2, 2-methoxyoestradiol.

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