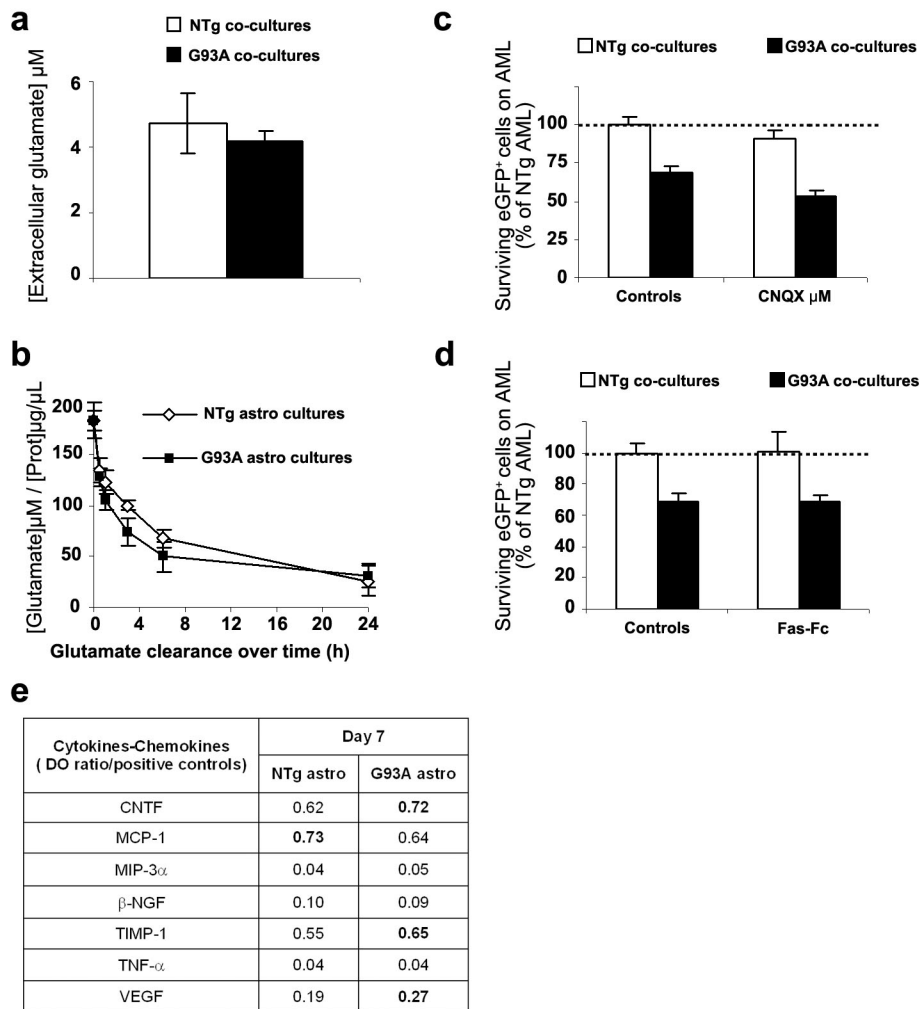


Supplementary Fig.5



Supplementary Fig.5: Glutamate, Fas ligand and several major cytokines and chemokines are not involved in the toxicity of mutant SOD1 astrocytes to motor neurons. (a) Extracellular glutamate concentrations measurement by HPLC at 7 d post-plating in co-cultures made of ^{NTg}pMN plated on ^{NTg}AML or ^{G93A}AML did not differ (Student t-test; P=1.0). (b) 14 d-old confluent ^{NTg}AML or ^{G93A}AML were incubated with 200 μM of glutamate. Then, the extracellular concentration of glutamate was monitored by HPLC at 0, 0.5, 1, 3, 6 and 24 hr. No interaction was found between the timing of glutamate decrease in the medium and the genotypes of the two astrocyte layers ($F_{[2,24]} = 0.430$; $P=0.826$; ANOVA). (c) Application of 100 μM of CNQX, a potent AMPA/kainite receptor antagonist, did not influence mutant SOD1 astrocyte-mediated motor neuron death. (d) Incubation of the co-cultures with 1 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ of Fas-Fc, the inhibitor of soluble Fas ligand, did not improve motor neuron survival on mutant astrocyte layer. (e) The relative contents of 19 cytokines/chemokines were screened by array in CMd from G93A and NTg astrocytes. Only, the 7 molecules with detectable quantities were reported in the table. The genotypic differences were highlighted in bold. The other 12 screened molecules with undetectable levels were: CINC-2/3, Fractalkine, GM-CSF, IL-1 α /1 β /4/6/10, IFN- γ , LIX, and Leptin.