

Fasting activates macroautophagy in neurons of Alzheimer's disease mouse model but is insufficient to degrade amyloid-beta

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Supplementary Information

Supplementary Figure 1

Expression of EGFP-LC3 in cerebellum

An image was reconstructed from three two-photon microscopy images of the cerebellar cortex of wild type mice (C57B6/J, 3 months of age) injected with EGFP-LC3 lentivirus to the cerebellum. EGFP-LC3 signals were extended along the orientation of Purkinje cell major dendrite. Granular cell layer (gra), Purkinje cell layer (PL), and molecular cell layer (mol) are indicated.

Supplementary Figure 2

Expression of EGFP-LC3 in Purkinje cells

EGFP-LC3 lentivirus was injected to cerebellar cortex of Ptf1a-Cre;Td-Tomato mice (3 months of age) to examine the EGFP-LC3 expression in Purkinje cells. Cerebellar tissues were fixed by perfusion of 4% paraformaldehyde, and fluorescence of EGFP and TdTomato was directly observed by two-photon microscopy. EGFP signals were observed both in cell body and dendrites of Purkinje cells. In addition, granule cells expressed EGFP-LC3.

Supplementary Figure 3

Changes of body weight and blood glucose during fasting

To confirm that fasting treatment was similarly loaded on 5xFAD and control mice, we checked body weight and blood glucose during fasting. The data showed the similar effects on two parameters by fasting. The numbers of mice are shown in the graphs. Mean +/- SE are shown. Two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's test was used for comparison of multiple groups at a similar time. Asterisks (*) indicate the significant difference between fasting and non-fasting groups of the same genotype mice in the multiple comparisons ($p<0.05$).

Supplementary Figure 4

Circadian rhythm of autophagosome at the similar position in the brain

In chronological observation, we used vessels as hallmarks for positioning to

observe the same area in RSD. Representative images are shown.

Supplementary Figure 5

Quantitative analysis of autophagosome formation

Under the condition that water and food were supplied to mice ad libitum, autophagosomes labeled by EGFP-LC3 lentivirus infected before 2 weeks were chronologically observed. Four parameters were calculated and plotted in the graphs (mean +/- SE).

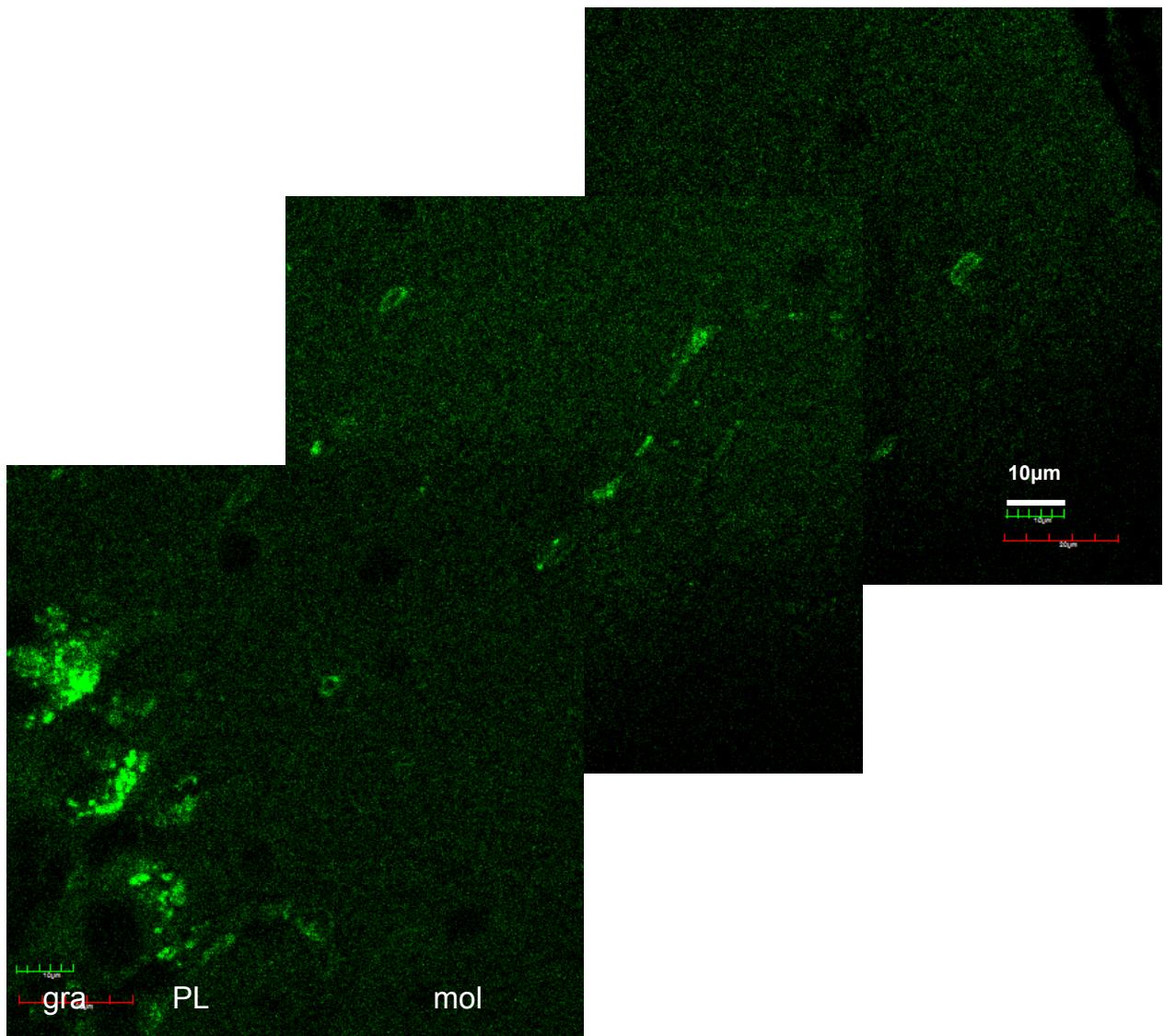
Supplementary Figure 6

Actual images used for the analyses in Figure 3A and B. Non-fasting wild type mice (upper left), fasting wild type mice (upper right), non-fasting 5xFAD mice (lower left), fasting 5xFAD mice (lower right).

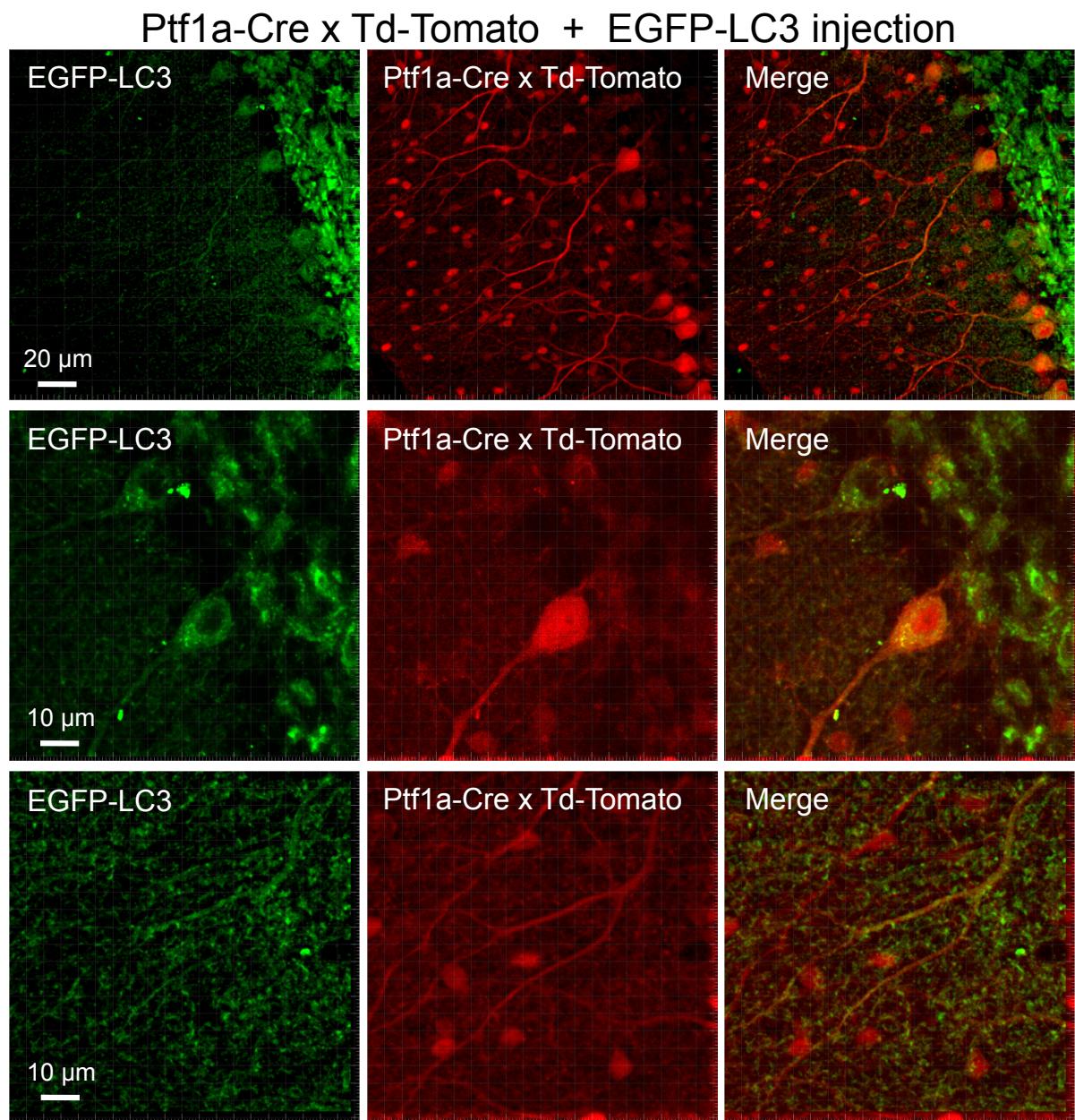
Supplementary Table 1

Actual p-values in statistical tests are shown in the list.

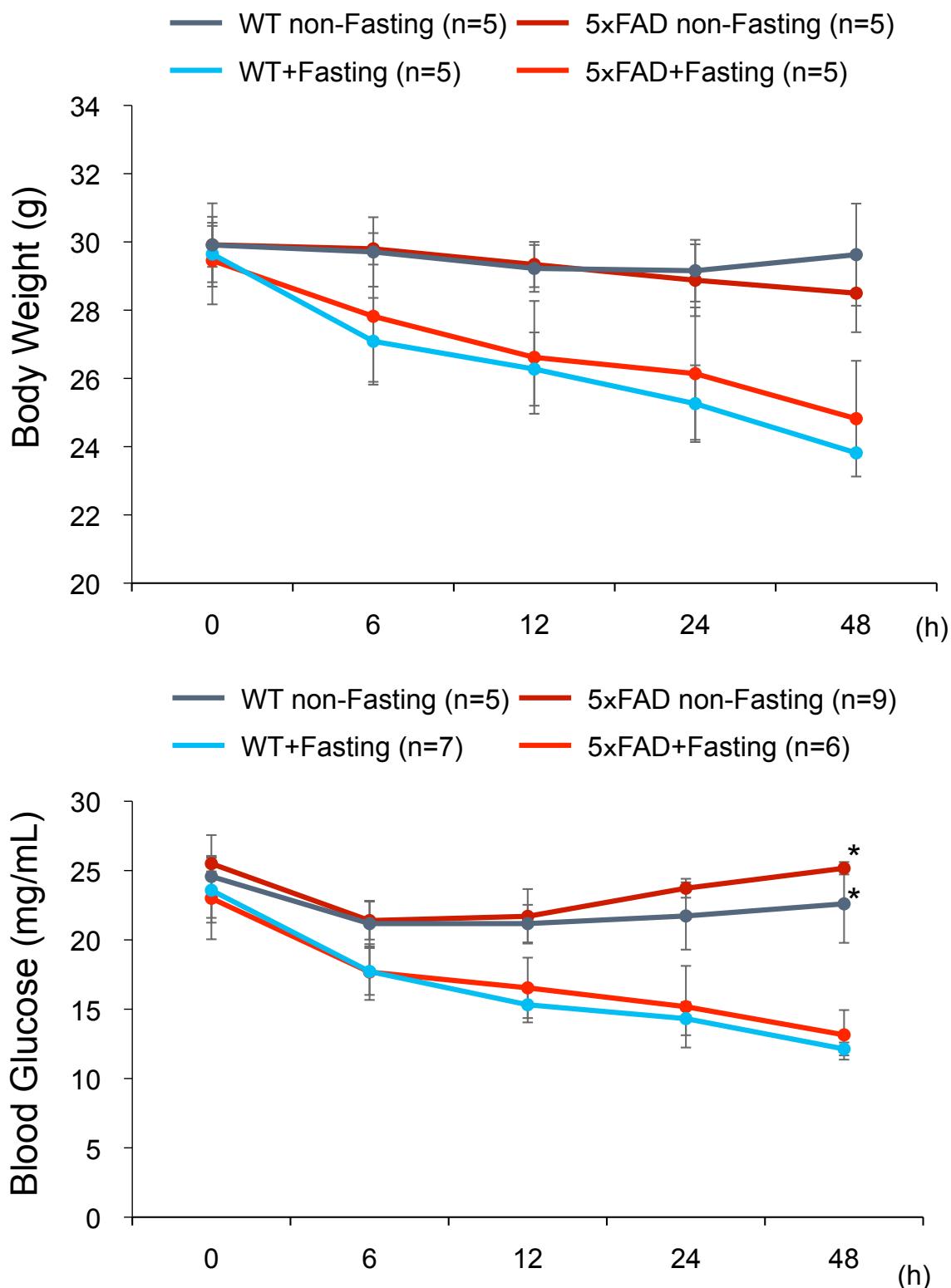
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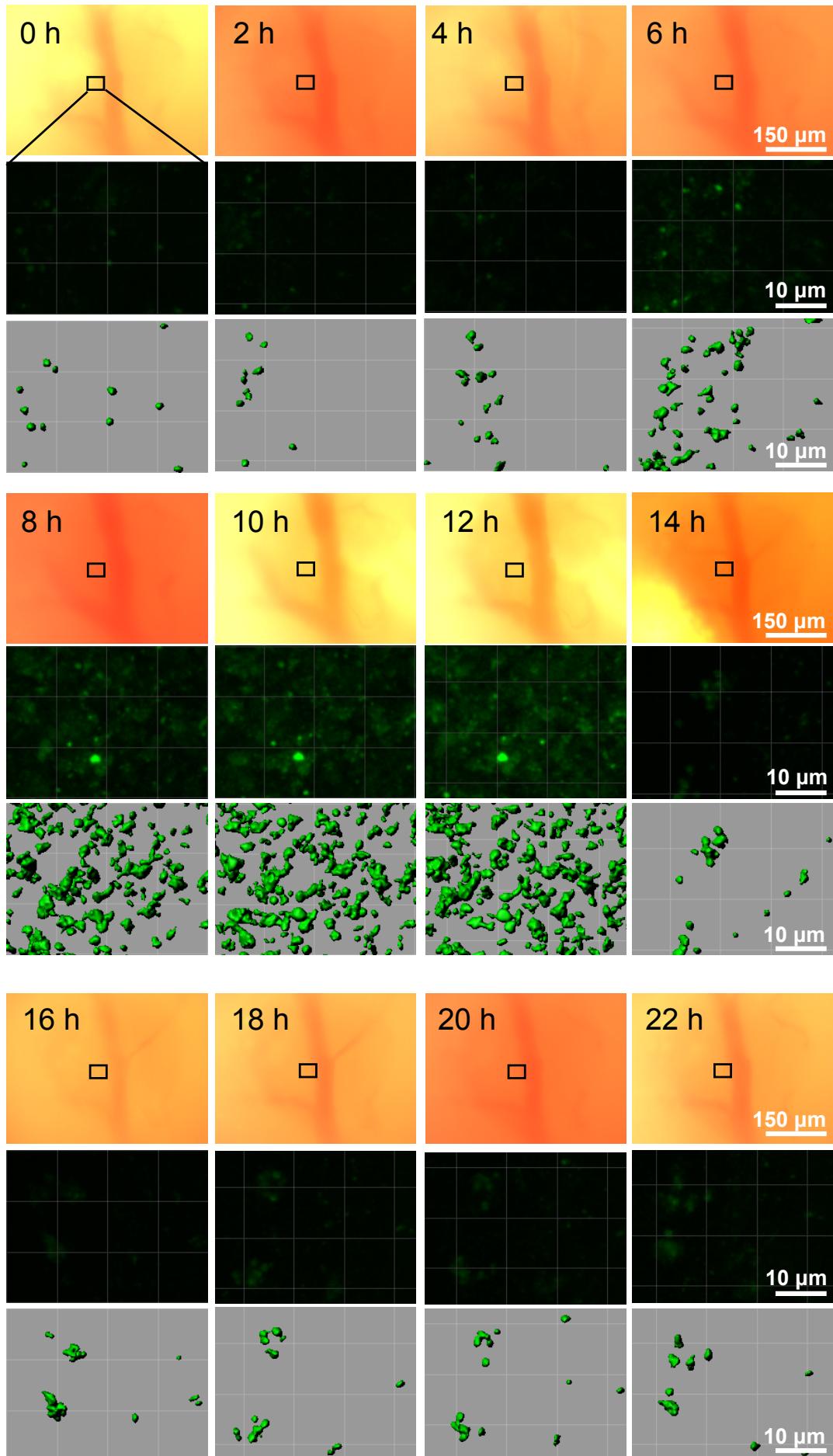
or ## : WT+Fasting v.s. 5xFAD+Fasting

* or **: fasting + v.s. - in the same genotype

#, p<0.05; ##, p<0.01; *, p<0.05; **, p<0.01

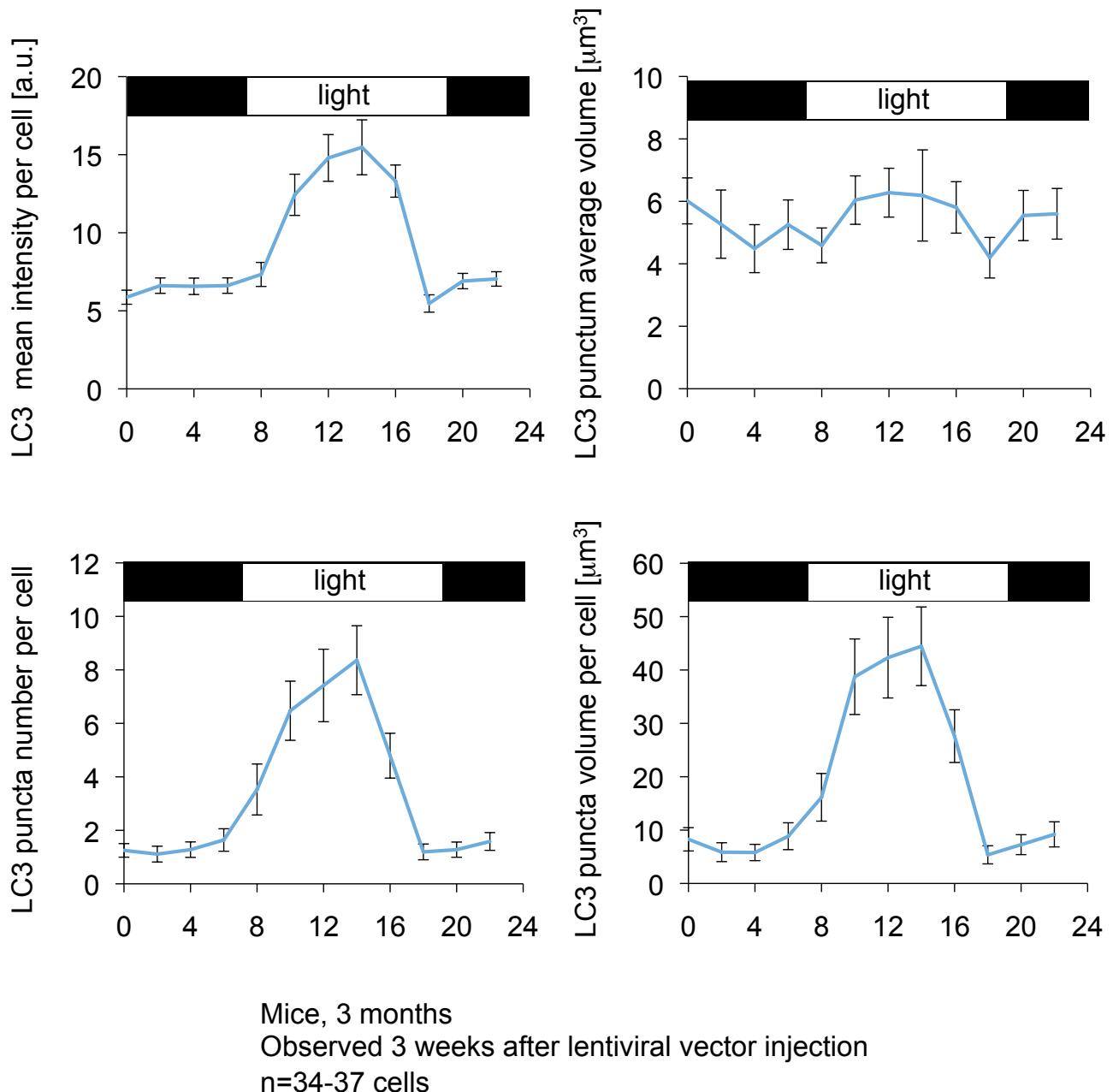
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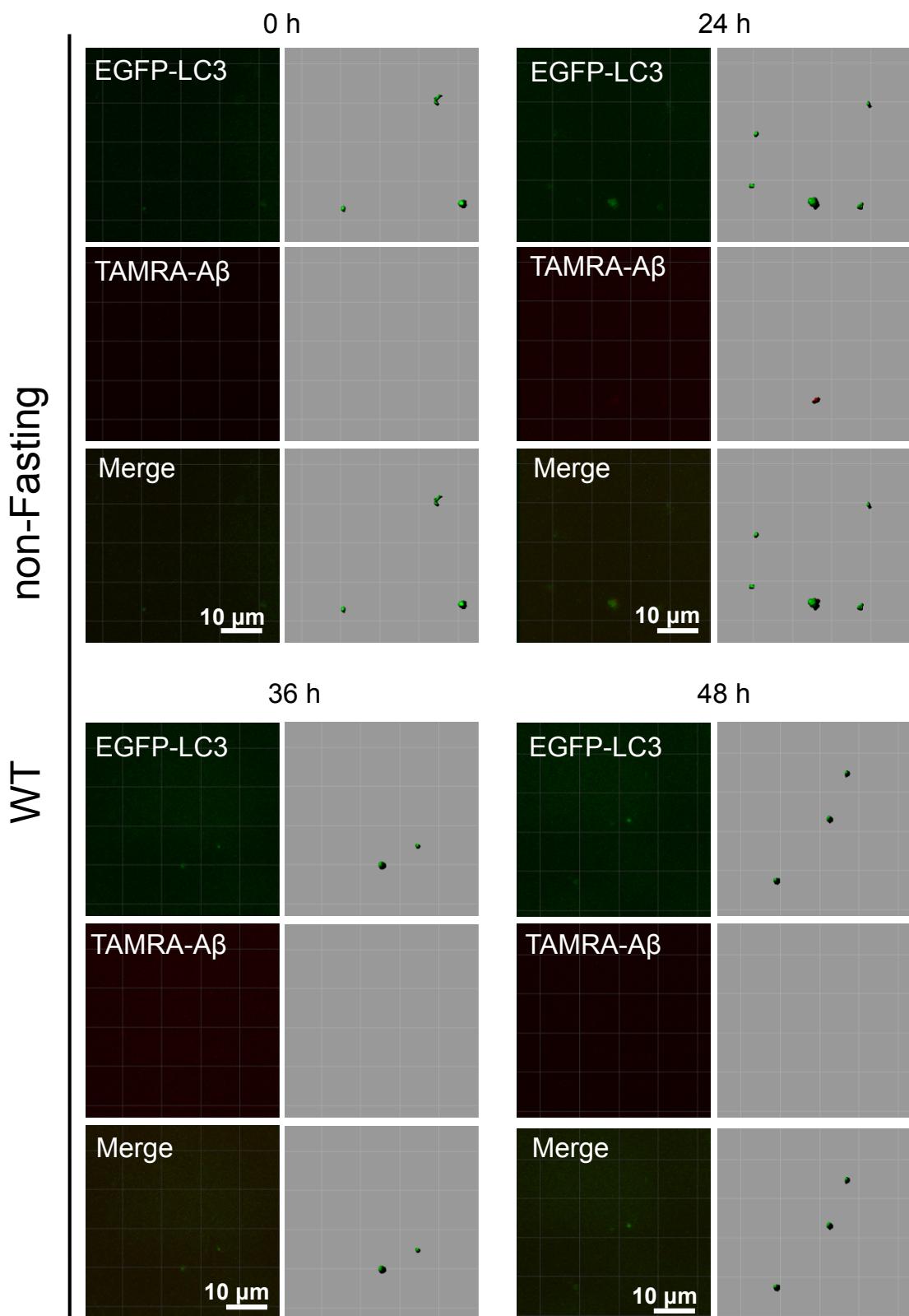


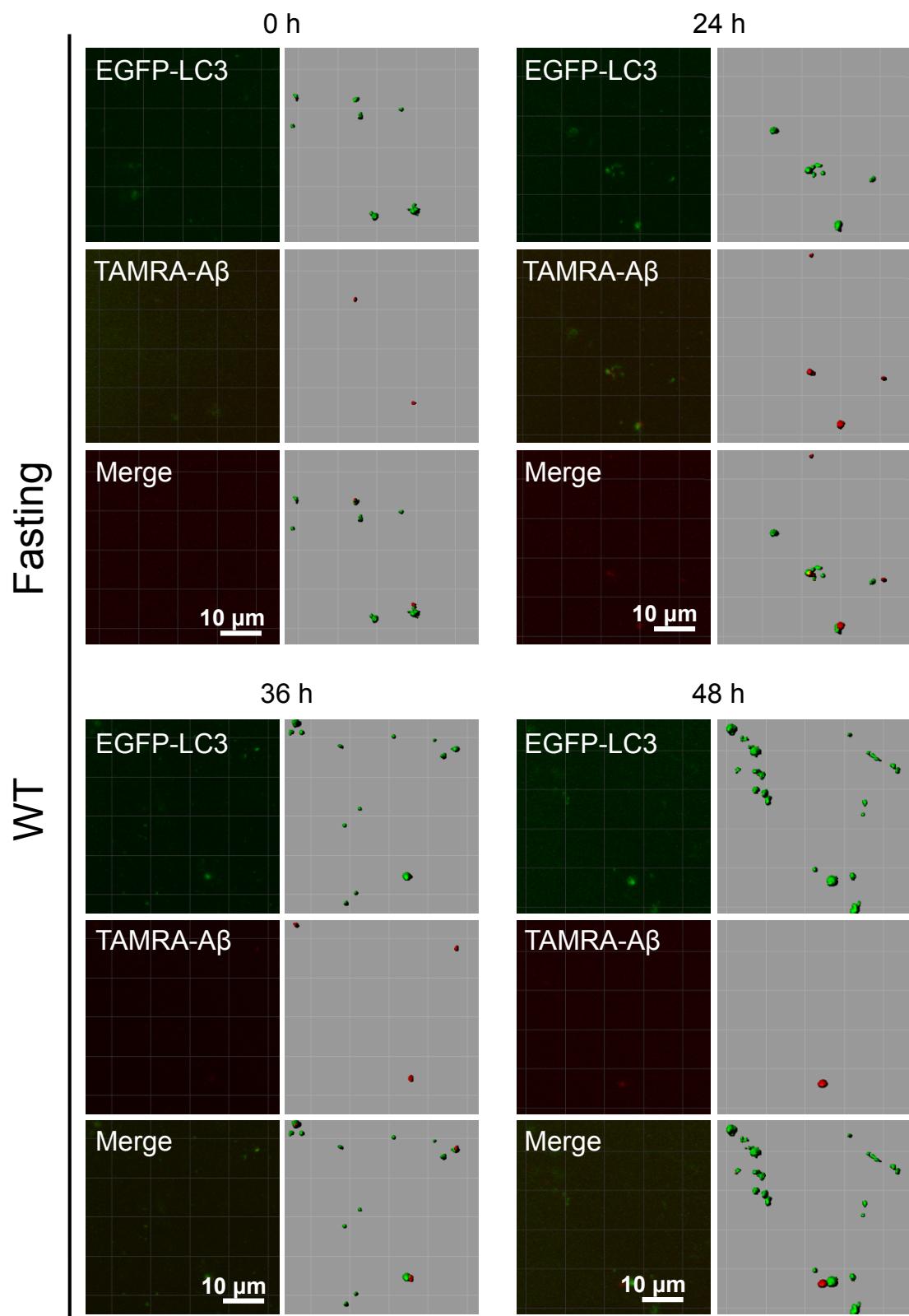
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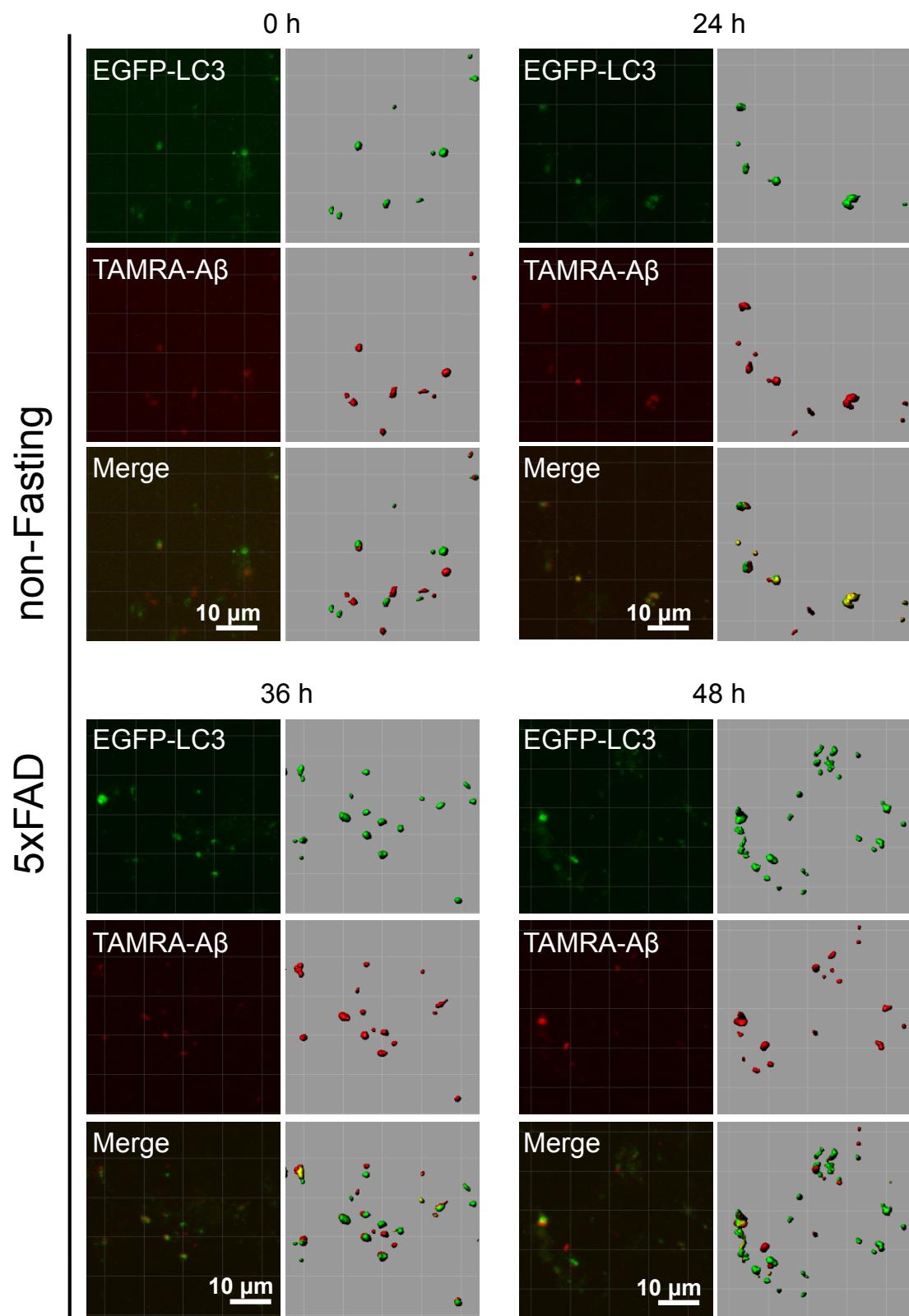
Circadian rhythm of autophagosome

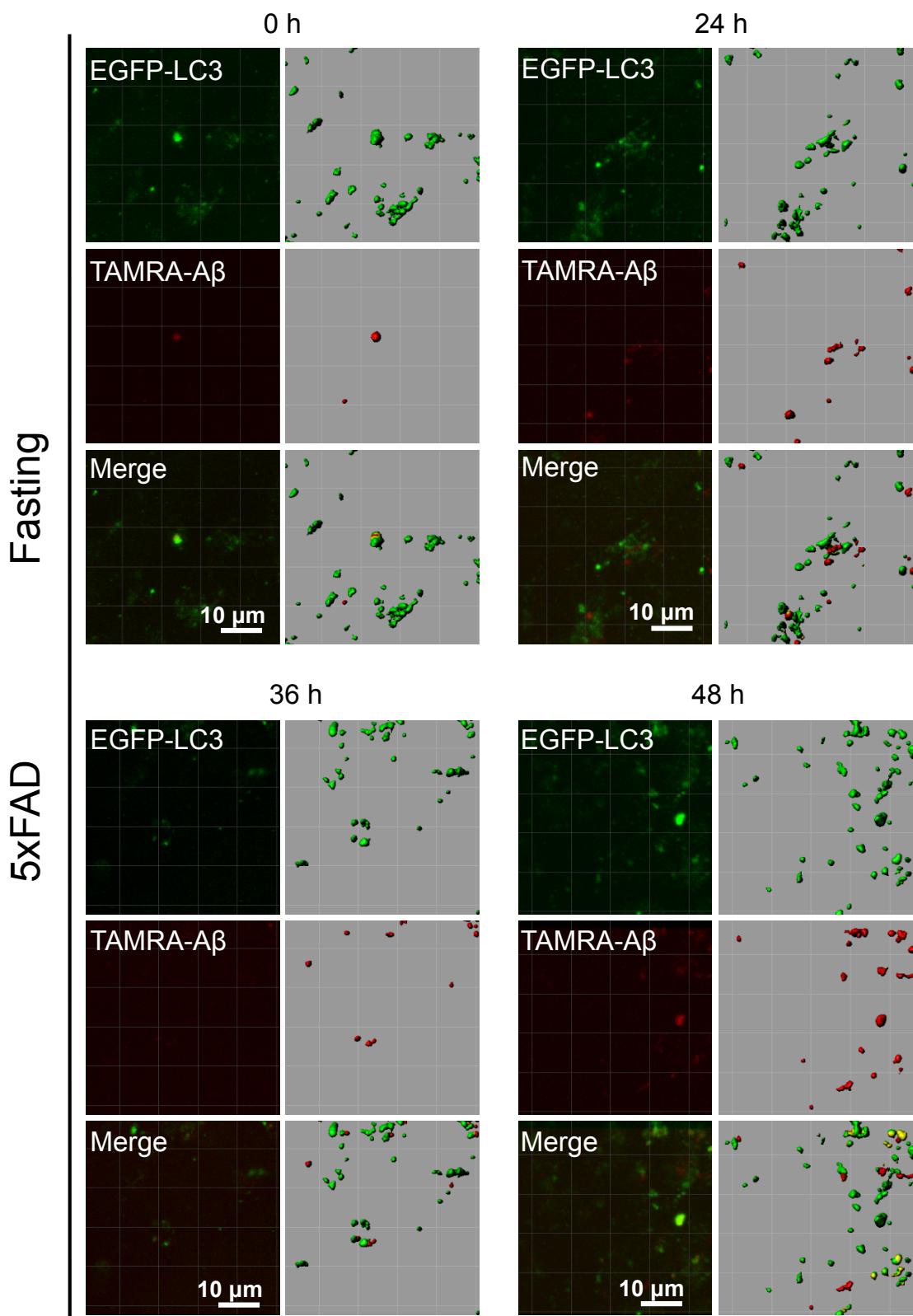


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Supplementary table 1: P-values in statistical tests.

			F=Fasting, n=non-Fasting	p<0.05
			P-value	
Figure 2C: LC3 mean signal intensity	0h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G)	5.E-11
			Diet (D)	0.798
			Interaction (G × D)	0.869
	Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F)	0.991	
		WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F)	5.E-06	
		WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n)	2.E-05	
		WT (n) vs WT (F)	0.999	
	6h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G)	0.001
			Diet (D)	0.202
			Interaction (G × D)	0.050
	Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F)	0.970	
		WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F)	0.717	
		WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n)	0.001	
		WT (n) vs WT (F)	0.100	
	12h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G)	1.E-10
			Diet (D)	2.E-14
			Interaction (G × D)	0.004
	Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F)	9.E-13	
		WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F)	2.E-10	
		WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n)	0.030	
		WT (n) vs WT (F)	0.001	
	24h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G)	3.E-12
			Diet (D)	3.E-24
			Interaction (G × D)	1.E-05
	Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F)	7.E-15	
		WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F)	4.E-14	
		WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n)	0.043	
		WT (n) vs WT (F)	1.E-05	
	48h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G)	2.E-19
			Diet (D)	4.E-50
			Interaction (G × D)	1.E-12
	Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F)	0.E+00	
		WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F)	0.E+00	
		WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n)	0.247	
		WT (n) vs WT (F)	0.E+00	

		P-value	
Figure 2C: LC3 puncta number per cell	0h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
	6h	Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
	12h	Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
	24h	Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
	48h	Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)

		P-value	
Figure 2C: LC3 vesicle total volume per cell	0h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.023 Diet (D) 0.725 Interaction (G × D) 0.822
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.999 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.283 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.441 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.979
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.065 Diet (D) 0.981 Interaction (G × D) 0.503
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.980 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.232 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.969 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.947
	12h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.003 Diet (D) 0.419 Interaction (G × D) 0.590
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.986 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.108 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.126 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.800
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.008 Diet (D) 0.037 Interaction (G × D) 0.799
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.409 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.092 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.236 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.482
	24h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.021 Diet (D) 6.E-06 Interaction (G × D) 0.322
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 1.E-04 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.030 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.802 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.286

		P-value	
Figure 3C: Red Volume per cell	0h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
	24h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
	36h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)

		P-value	
Figure 3C: Yellow Volume per cell	0h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
	24h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
	36h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)
		2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) Diet (D) Interaction (G × D)
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) WT (n) vs WT (F)

		P-value	
Sup Fig 3C: Blood Glucose	0h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.277 Diet (D) 0.649 Interaction (G × D) 0.474
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.843 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.998 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.614 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.993
	6h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.839 Diet (D) 0.104 Interaction (G × D) 0.686
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.738 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.999 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.930 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.493
	12h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.742 Diet (D) 0.015 Interaction (G × D) 0.449
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.444 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.953 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.938 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.123
	24h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.937 Diet (D) 0.020 Interaction (G × D) 0.526
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.456 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.993 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.914 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.170
	48h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.770 Diet (D) 4.E-04 Interaction (G × D) 0.700
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.019 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.991 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.994 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.043

		P-value	
Sup Fig 3C: Body Weight	0h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.980 Diet (D) 0.739 Interaction (G × D) 0.928
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.990 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.999 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 1.000 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.998
	6h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.522 Diet (D) 0.116 Interaction (G × D) 0.818
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.748 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.979 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 1.000 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.527
	12h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.504 Diet (D) 0.033 Interaction (G × D) 0.924
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.413 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.996 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 1.000 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.313
	24h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.483 Diet (D) 0.034 Interaction (G × D) 0.683
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.541 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.966 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.999 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.232
	48h	2-way ANOVA	Genotype (G) 0.890 Diet (D) 0.009 Interaction (G × D) 0.471
		Tukey's test	5xFAD (n) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.293 WT (F) vs 5xFAD (F) 0.961 WT (n) vs 5xFAD (n) 0.935 WT (n) vs WT (F) 0.080