**Supplementary Information for:** 

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- 3 Oestradiol synthesized by female neurons generates sex
- 4 differences in neuritogenesis

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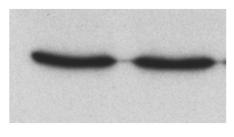
### Supplementary Fig. S1

# siRNA siRNA Non target Ngn3

25 kDa Ng 20 kDa

Ngn3 23 kDa

50 kDa



β-III Tubulin **50 kDa** 

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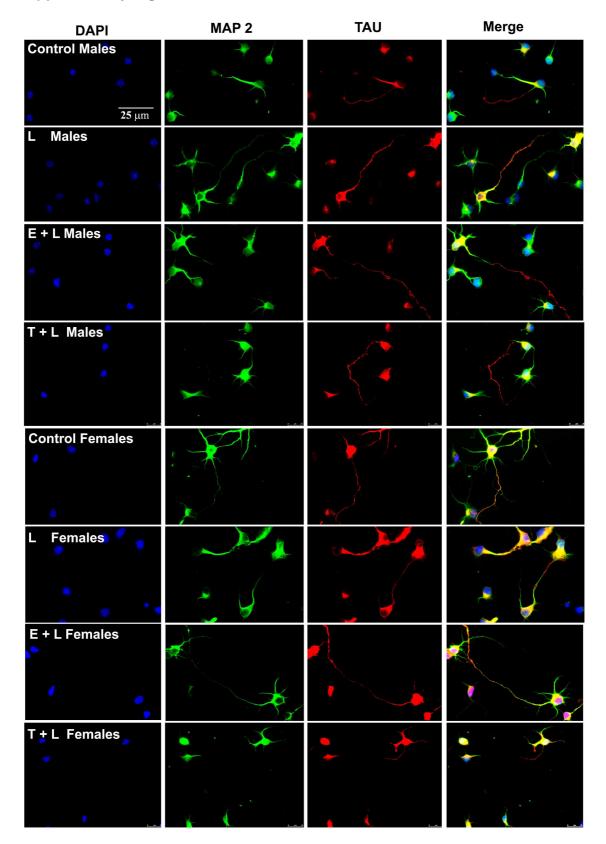
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- Supplementary Fig. S1. Downregulation of Ngn3 expression by the action of
- a specific Ngn3 siRNA. The efficacy of Ngn3 silencing was verified by Western
- 7 blot. The band corresponding to the molecular weight of Ngn3 (23 kDa), decreases
- 8 after the Ngn3 siRNA treatment respect to the non target siRNA in cultured
- 9 hippocampal neurons.

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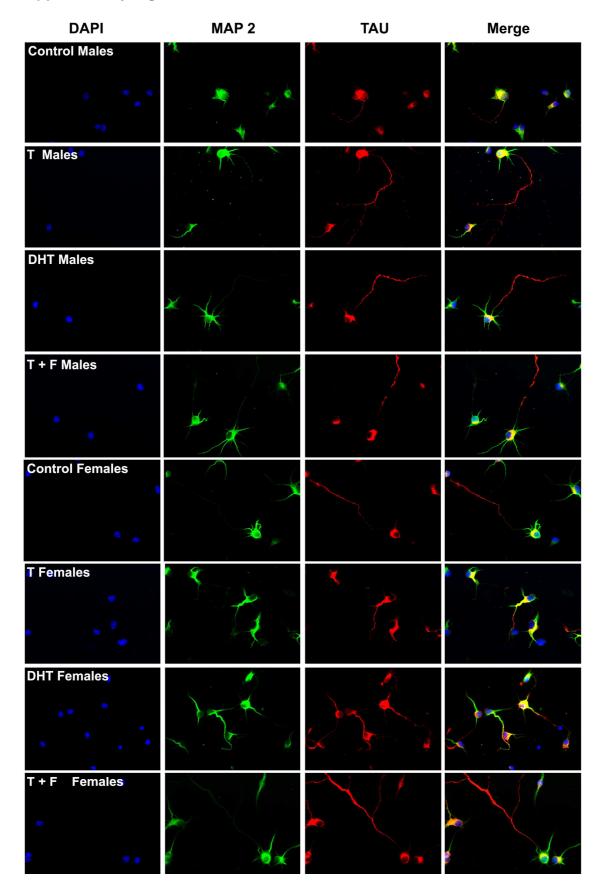
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## Supplementary Fig. S2



Supplementary Fig. S2. Representative examples of male and female neurons treated with letrozole (L). Hippocampal neuronal cultured were treated at 1 DIV with L, L+E2 and L+T and immunostained for MAP 2 (green), TAU (red) and DAPI (blue) at 2 DIV. 

## 1 Supplementary Fig. S3



Supplementary Fig. S3. Representative examples of male and female neurons treated with testosterone (T), dihydrotestosterone (DHT) and finasteride (F). Hippocampal neuronal cultured were treated at 1 DIV with T, DHT and T+F and immunostained for MAP 2 (green), TAU (red) and DAPI (blue) at 2 DIV. 

## 1 Supplementary Table 1. Levels of steroids in the culture medium of male and

## 2 female hippocampal neurons from E17 embryos

Steroid	Sex	Levels in culture medium (pg/ml)
Pregnenolone	Males Females	9.136 ± 1.764 12.02 ± 1.852
Progesterone	Males Females	2404 ± 216 2393 ± 200
Dihydroprogesterone	Males Females	2026 ± 98 2034 ± 85
Isopregnanolone	Males Females	61.92 ± 12.79 63.81 ± 8.319
Allopregnanolone	Males Females	39.65 ± 8.371 32.09 ± 1.854
Testosterone	Males Females	2.349 ± 0.420 2.720 ± 0.403
Dihydrotestosterone	Males Females	2.840 ± 1.226 1.280 ± 0.631
Oestradiol	Males Females	4.816 ± 0.594 4.253 ± 0.843

Data are mean±SEM from 8 cultures.