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Mirtazapine exerts astrocyte-mediated dopaminergic neuroprotection

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Figure number		group	n	P value	F/t Values	Test type
1c	TH positive cells			$p = 0.00015$	$F(5,35) = 7.241$	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.821$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0819$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
		mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6			
	lesioned side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.001$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.0741$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0515$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.0007$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0603$ (vs. same side of mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)-treated group) $p = 0.1908$ (vs. control side of each group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)		6				
1f	TH			$p < 0.0001$	$F(5,31) = 10.339$	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control side	vehicle	5	$p = 0.1108$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.165$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
		mirtazapine	5			
		mirtazapine + WAY	6			
	lesioned side	vehicle	5	$p = 0.0009$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.0042$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0323$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.879$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0043$ (vs. same side of mirtazapine-treated group) $p = 0.0002$ (vs. control side of each group)		
		mirtazapine	5			
mirtazapine + WAY		6				
2b	S100 β			$p < 0.0001$	$F(5,35) = 12.377$	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.0026$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0181$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
		mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6			
	lesioned side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.0072$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.023$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0554$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.0001$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p < 0.0001$ (vs. control side of each group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
		mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6			
	S100 β & MT			$p < 0.0001$	$F(5,35) = 16.075$	
	control side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.0025$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0581$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
		mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6			
	lesioned side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.0024$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.021$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0202$ (vs. control side of each group) $p < 0.0001$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p < 0.0001$ (vs. control side of each group)		
mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)		6				
mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)		6				
2d	GFAP			$p < 0.0001$	$F(5,35) = 32.815$	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.273$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.501$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
		mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6			
	lesioned side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.0003$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.0065$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p < 0.0001$ (vs. control side of each group) $p < 0.0001$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p < 0.0001$ (vs. control side of each group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
		mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6			
	GFAP & MT			$p < 0.0001$	$F(5,35) = 32.884$	
	control side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.3295$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.495$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
		mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6			
	lesioned side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.0005$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.005$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p < 0.0001$ (vs. control side of each group) $p < 0.0001$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p < 0.0001$ (vs. control side of each group)		
mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)		6				
mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)		6				
2f	MT density			$p = 0.00089$	$F(5,35) = 5.629$	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.0554$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.458$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
		mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6			
	lesioned side	vehicle	6	$p = 0.13$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.315$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.564$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.00027$ (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0003$ (vs. control side of each group) $p = 0.0318$ (vs. same side of mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)-treated group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6			
mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)		6				
3b	S100 β			$p = 0.0406$	$F(2,15) = 4.14$	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
		vehicle	5	$p = 0.0142$ (vs. vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.317$ (vs. vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0774$ (vs. mirtazapine-treated group)		
		mirtazapine	5			
		mirtazapine + WAY	6			
	S100 β & MT			$p = 0.00717$	$F(2,15) = 7.395$	
		vehicle	5	$p = 0.0249$ (vs. vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.274$ (vs. vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0022$ (vs. mirtazapine-treated group)		
mirtazapine		5				
mirtazapine + WAY		6				
3d	GFAP			$p = 0.207$	$F(2,15) = 1.776$	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
		vehicle	5			
		mirtazapine	5			
		mirtazapine + WAY	6			
	GFAP & MT			$p = 0.00109$	$F(2,15) = 12.073$	
		vehicle	5	$p = 0.0141$ (vs. vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0738$ (vs. vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0003$ (vs. mirtazapine-treated group)		
mirtazapine		5				
mirtazapine + WAY		6				
3f	MT density			$p = 0.00067$	$F(2,15) = 13.496$	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
		vehicle	5	$p = 0.005$ (vs. vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.132$ (vs. vehicle-treated group) $p = 0.0002$ (vs. mirtazapine-treated group)		
		mirtazapine	5			
		mirtazapine + WAY	6			

4a	TH positive cells			p < 0.0001	F (7,23) = 43.986	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control	6-OHDA (0 μM) 6-OHDA (10 μM) 6-OHDA (25 μM) 6-OHDA (50 μM)	3 3 3 3	p = 0.0011 (vs. 6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. 6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. 6-OHDA (0 μM) group)		
	Mirtazapine (10 μM)	6-OHDA (0 μM) 6-OHDA (10 μM) 6-OHDA (25 μM) 6-OHDA (50 μM)	3 3 3 3	p = 0.009 (vs. Mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p = 0.756 (vs. control+6-OHDA (10 μM) group) p = 0.0002 (vs. Mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p = 0.599 (vs. control+6-OHDA (25 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. Mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p = 0.404 (vs. control+6-OHDA (50 μM) group)		
4b	TH positive cells			p < 0.0001	F (7,23) = 54.075	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control	6-OHDA (0 μM) 6-OHDA (50 μM) 6-OHDA (100 μM) 6-OHDA (150 μM)	3 3 3 3	p = 0.002 (vs. 6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. 6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. 6-OHDA (0 μM) group)		
	Mirtazapine (10 μM)	6-OHDA (0 μM) 6-OHDA (50 μM) 6-OHDA (100 μM) 6-OHDA (150 μM)	3 3 3 3	p = 0.225 (vs. Mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p = 0.0003 (vs. control+6-OHDA (50 μM) group) p = 0.0005 (vs. Mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. control+6-OHDA (100 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. Mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p = 0.0275 (vs. control+6-OHDA (150 μM) group)		
4c	TH positive cells			p < 0.0001	F (7,35) = 93.897	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control	control WAY100635 (10 nM) Mirtazapine (10 μM)	4 4 4	p = 0.612 (vs. control+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p = 0.795 (vs. control+6-OHDA (0 μM) group)		
	6-OHDA (100 μM)	WAY100635 + mirtazapine control WAY100635 (10 nM) Mirtazapine (10 μM) WAY100635 + mirtazapine	6 4 4 4 6	p = 0.936 (vs. control+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. control+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. WAY+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p = 0.0108 (vs. control+6-OHDA (100 μM) group) p = 0.0003 (vs. Mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (100 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. Mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. control+6-OHDA (100 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. WAY + mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (0 μM) group) p = 0.0479 (vs. control+6-OHDA (100 μM) group) p < 0.0001 (vs. Mirtazapine (10 μM)+6-OHDA (100 μM) group)		
5a	number of astrocyte			p = 0.714	F (3,95) = 0.454	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control	Mirtazapine (2.5 μM) Mirtazapine (5 μM) Mirtazapine (10 μM)	24 24 24 24			
5b	number of astrocyte			p = 0.0144	F (7,79) = 3.747	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control-NCM	Mir (2.5 μM)-NCM Mir (5 μM)-NCM Mir (10 μM)-NCM	20 20 20 20	p = 0.227 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.003 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.0147 (vs. control-NCM group)		
5c	number of astrocyte			p = 0.00297	F (3,95) = 4.992	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control-NCM	control-NCM + WAY Mir (10 μM)-NCM Mir (10 μM)-NCM + WAY	24 24 24 24	p = 0.678 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.0026 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.188 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.0804 (vs. Mir-NCM group)		
6b	number of MT-immunopositive cell			p = 0.47	F (3,71) = 0.851	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control	Mirtazapine (2.5 μM) Mirtazapine (5 μM) Mirtazapine (10 μM)	18 18 18 18			
6c	MT density			p = 0.7	F (3,71) = 0.475	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control	Mirtazapine (2.5 μM) Mirtazapine (5 μM) Mirtazapine (10 μM)	18 18 18 18			
6e	number of MT-immunopositive cell			p < 0.0001	F (3,53) = 33.796	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control-NCM	Mir (2.5 μM)-NCM Mir (5 μM)-NCM Mir (10 μM)-NCM	16 13 11 14	p < 0.0001 (vs. control-NCM group) p < 0.0001 (vs. control-NCM group) p < 0.0001 (vs. control-NCM group)		
6f	MT density			p = 0.00178	F (3,53) = 5.785	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control-NCM	Mir (2.5 μM)-NCM Mir (5 μM)-NCM Mir (10 μM)-NCM	16 13 11 14	p = 0.0046 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.0011 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.0014 (vs. control-NCM group)		
6h	number of MT-immunopositive cell			p < 0.0001	F (3,118) = 8.177	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control-NCM	control-NCM + WAY Mir (5 μM)-NCM Mir (5 μM)-NCM + WAY	30 29 30 30	p = 0.401 (vs. control-NCM group) p < 0.0001 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.0419 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.0107 (vs. Mir-NCM group)		
6i	MT density			p = 0.0159	F (3,102) = 3.609	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test
	control-NCM + control	control-NCM + WAY Mir (5 μM)-NCM + control Mir (5 μM)-NCM + WAY	25 26 26 26	p = 0.307 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.0406 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.763 (vs. control-NCM group) p = 0.0182 (vs. Mir-NCM group)		

7a	TH positive cells			p < 0.0001	F (5,35) = 10.88	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test		
	control	control-NCM-ACM	6					
	6-OHDA (50 μ M)	Mir-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.666 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)				
		Mir-NCM + WAY100635-ACM	6	p = 0.688 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)				
control-NCM-ACM		6	p < 0.0001 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA(0 μ M) group)					
		Mir-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.0061 (vs. Mir-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)				
		Mir-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.0273 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (50 μ M) group)				
		Mir-NCM + WAY100635-ACM	6	p = 0.0002 (vs. Mir-NCM + WAY-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)				
			6	p = 0.358 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (50 μ M) group)				
			6	p = 0.175 (vs. Mir-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (50 μ M) group)				
7b	MT-1 concentration			p = 0.00403	F (1,11) = 13.782	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test		
		control-NCM-ACM	6					
		Mir-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.004 (vs. control-NCM-ACM)				
7c	TH positive cells			p < 0.0001	F (5,35) = 36.334	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test		
	control	control-NCM-ACM	6					
	6-OHDA (50 μ M)	Mir-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.758 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)				
		Mir-NCM-ACM + MT-1/2 Ab	6	p = 0.874 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)				
		control-NCM-ACM	6	p < 0.0001 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)				
		Mir-NCM-ACM	6	p < 0.0001 (vs. Mir-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)				
		Mir-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.0347 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (50 μ M) group)				
Mir-NCM-ACM + MT-1/2 Ab		6	p < 0.0001 (vs. Mir-NCM-ACM + MT-1/2 Ab+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)					
		Mir-NCM-ACM + MT-1/2 Ab	6	p = 0.745 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (50 μ M) group)				
			6	p = 0.0165 (vs. Mir-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (50 μ M) group)				

Figure number	group	n	P value	F/t Values	Test type	
supplemental fig. 2b	S100 β		p = 0.815	F (1,21) = 0.0558	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test	
	vehicle	5				
	mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6				
	S100 β & MT		p = 0.0469	F (1,21) = 4.4483	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test	
vehicle	5					
mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.0469 (vs. vehicle-treated group)				
supplemental fig. 3a	S100 β		p = 0.00016	F (5,35) = 7.173	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test	
	control side	vehicle	6			
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.275 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
	mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.0008 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)			
	lesioned side	vehicle	6	p = 0.0008 (vs. control side of each group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.679 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
	mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.0339 (vs. control side of each group)			
				p = 0.196 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
				p = 0.196 (vs. control side of each group)		
	S100 β & MT		p = 0.0651	F (5,35) = 2.347	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test	
control side	vehicle	6				
	mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6				
mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6					
lesioned side	vehicle	6				
	mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6				
mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6					
supplemental fig. 3b	GFAP		p < 0.0001	F (5,33) = 8.141	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test	
	control side	vehicle	6			
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.0041 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
	mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.0002 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)			
	lesioned side	vehicle	6	p = 0.0056 (vs. control side of each group)		
		mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.118 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
	mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.1 (vs. control side of each group)			
				p = 0.0086 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)		
				p = 0.0835 (vs. control side of each group)		
	GFAP & MT		p = 0.00163	F (5,33) = 5.23	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test	
control side	vehicle	6				
	mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.127 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)			
mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.0034 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)				
lesioned side	vehicle	6	p = 0.0142 (vs. control side of each group)			
	mirtazapine (5 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.679 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)			
mirtazapine (16 mg/kg)	6	p = 0.108 (vs. control side of each group)				
			p = 0.0556 (vs. same side of vehicle-treated group)			
			p = 0.119 (vs. control side of each group)			
supplemental fig. 4			p < 0.0001	F (5,35) = 7.96	one-way ANOVA followed by post-hoc Fisher's LSD test	
	control	control-NCM-ACM	6			
		Mir(10 μ M)-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.836 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)		
		Mir(10 μ M)-NCM + WAY100635-ACM	6	p = 0.559 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)		
	6-OHDA (50 μ M)	control-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.0003 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)		
		Mir(10 μ M)-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.0096 (vs. Mir (10 μ M)-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)		
		Mir(10 μ M)-NCM-ACM	6	p = 0.148 (vs. control-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (50 μ M) group)		
Mir(10 μ M)-NCM + WAY100635-ACM		6	p = 0.0007 (vs. Mir(10 μ M)-NCM + WAY-ACM+6-OHDA (0 μ M) group)			
			p = 0.544 (vs. Mir (10 μ M)-NCM-ACM+6-OHDA (50 μ M) group)			