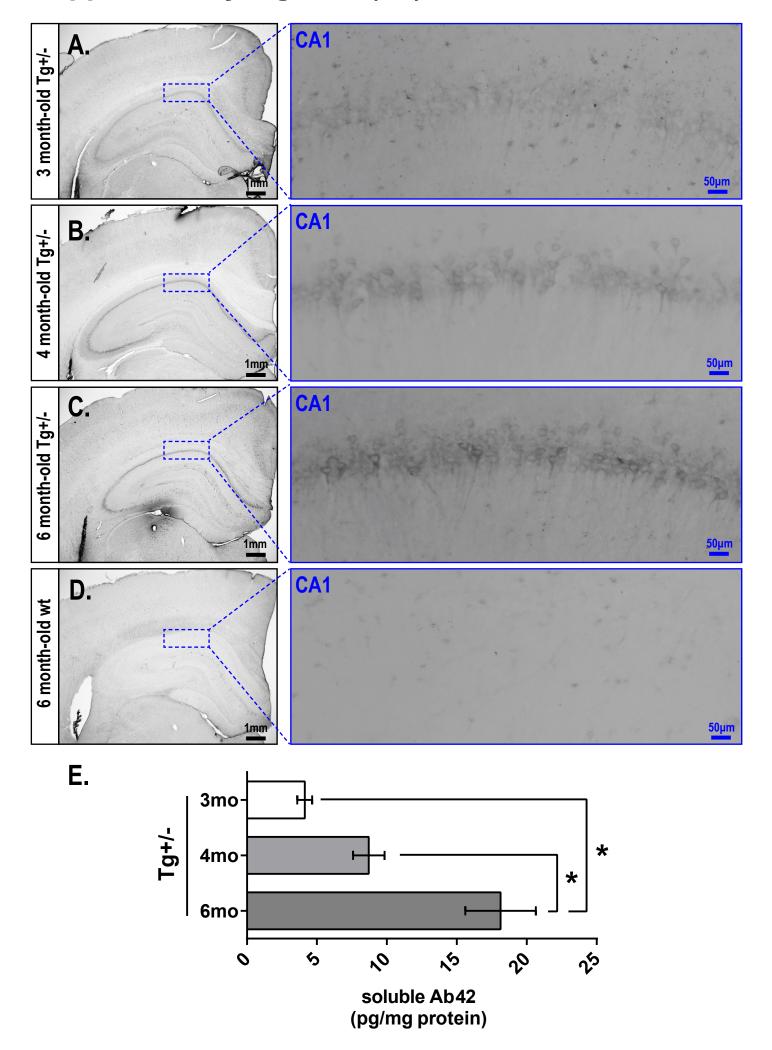
## **Supplementary Figure 2 (S2)**



Supplementary Figure 2 (S2). Pre-plaque amyloid pathology in McGill-R-Thy1-APP Tg+/rats. A-D) Representative pictures of human A $\beta$  immunoreactivity detected using the monoclonal antibody McSA1 at 3 (A), 4 (B) and 6 (C) months of age. At early stages of amyloid pathology, intraneuronal A $\beta$  accumulates in the cerebral cortex and hippocampus (scale bar 1mm). As expected, wild-type rats (D) are devoid of McSA1 immunoreactivity. Magnified views of CA1 regions are included as insets at the right side of each brain slice picture, clearly showing intraneuronal A $\beta$  accumulation (scale bar 50µm). E) Abundance of TBS-soluble human A $\beta$ 42 peptides in the hippocampus was determined by ELISA (NTg+/-=4-5 rats per age). Data are expressed as mean  $\pm$  SEM. \*p < 0.05, analyzed with a two-tailed, unpaired t test.