

Supplementary Materials: Tocotrienol Affects Oxidative Stress, Cholesterol Homeostasis and the Amyloidogenic Pathway in Neuroblastoma Cells: Consequences for Alzheimer's Disease

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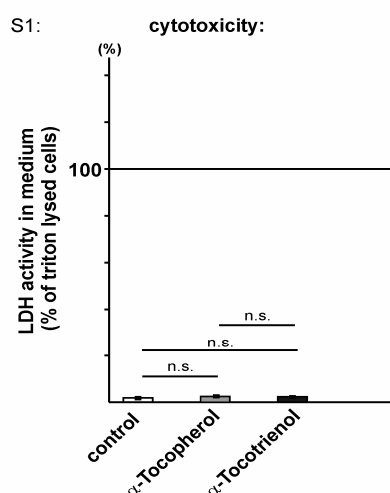


Figure S1. No significant effect of α -tocopherol and α -tocotrienol on cell viability measured by LDH activity in medium (cytotoxicity solvent control: $1.8\% \pm 0.1\%$; cytotoxicity α -tocopherol: $2.5\% \pm 0.3\%$, $p = 0.22$ compared to the solvent, $n = 4$; cytotoxicity α -tocotrienol: $2.3\% \pm 0.2\%$, $p = 0.41$ compared to the solvent, $p = 0.86$ compared to α -tocopherol, $n = 4$). Statistical significance as described for Figure 1 (n.s., not significant).

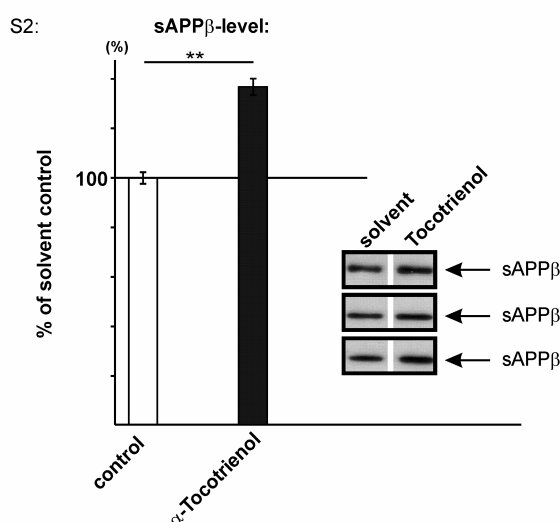


Figure S2. Increased secretion of sAPP β ($136.8\% \pm 3.3\%$, $p = 0.004$, $n = 3$) by SH-SY5Y APP695 transfected cells after incubation with α -tocotrienol. Statistical significance as described for Figure 3 (** $p \leq 0.01$).

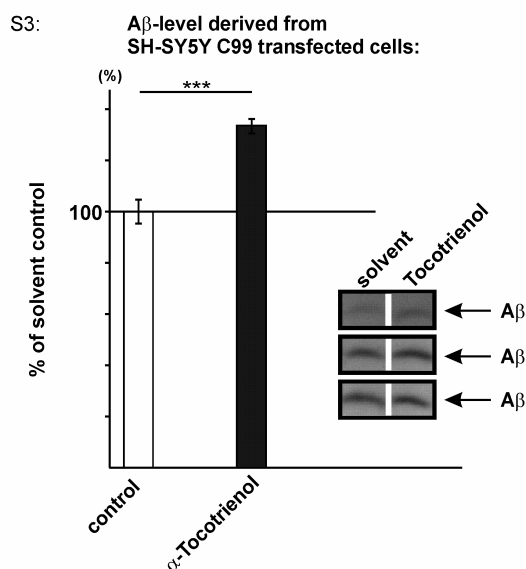


Figure S3. Enhanced production of A β ($133.6\% \pm 2.8\%$, $p \leq 0.001$, $n = 12$) by SH-SY5Y C99 transfected cells after incubation with α -tocotrienol. 100% in the control cells corresponds to 10.0 ng/mL total A β . Statistical significance as described for Figure 3 (** $p \leq 0.001$).

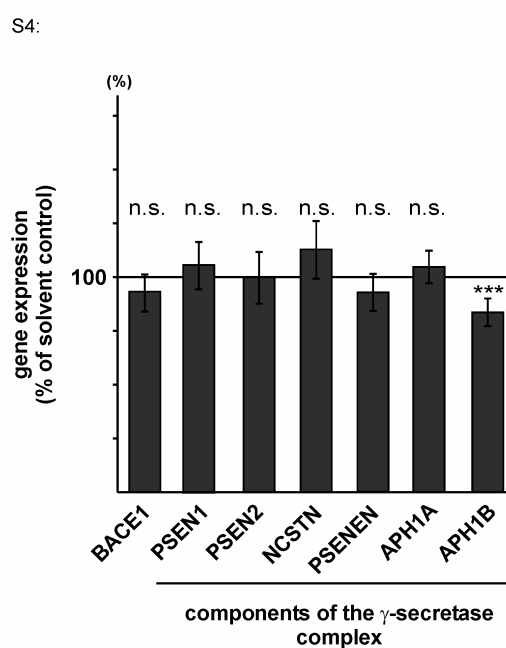


Figure S4. Unchanged gene expression of the components of the β - and γ -secretase measured by real-time PCR. BACE1 = β -site APP cleaving enzyme 1: $93.2\% \pm 4.3\%$, $p = 0.140$, $n = 8$; PSEN1 = presenilin 1: $107.9\% \pm 5.5\%$, $p = 0.17$, $n = 9$; PSEN2 = presenilin 2: $102.1\% \pm 6.0\%$, $p = 0.73$, $n = 9$; NCSTN = nicastrin: $110.4\% \pm 6.6\%$, $p = 0.13$, $n = 9$; PSENEN = presenilin-enhancer 2: $95.7\% \pm 5.2\%$, $p = 0.42$, $n = 9$; APO1a = anterior-pharynx-defective 1 a: $105.4\% \pm 3.8\%$, $p = 0.18$, $n = 9$; APO1b = anterior-pharynx-defective 1 b: $85.2\% \pm 3.4\%$, $p \leq 0.001$, $n = 9$). Statistical significance as described for Figure 3 (** $p \leq 0.001$; n.s., not significant).

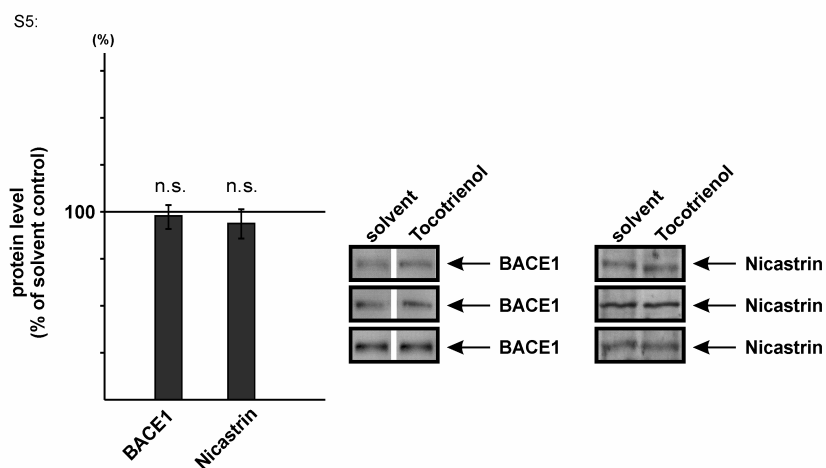


Figure S5. Unaltered protein level of BACE1 ($97.8\% \pm 3.2\%$, $p = 0.68$, $n = 7$) and nicastrin ($91.8\% \pm 3.9\%$, $p = 0.13$, $n = 4$) in the presence of α -tocotrienol. Statistical significance as described for Figure 3 (n.s., not significant).