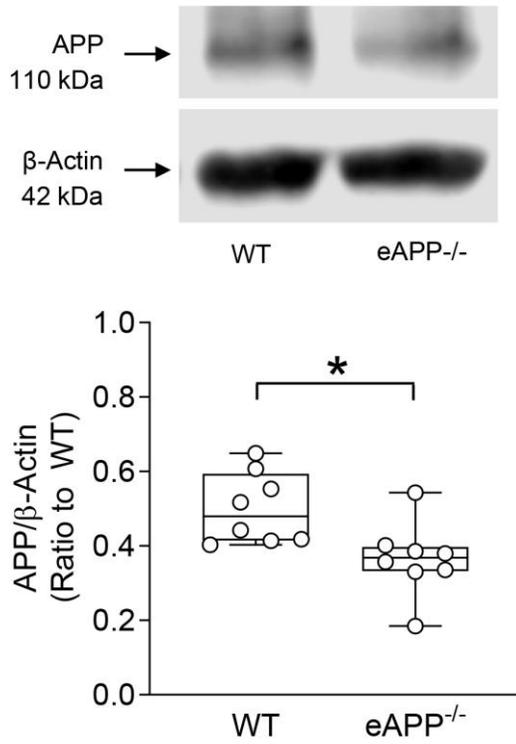
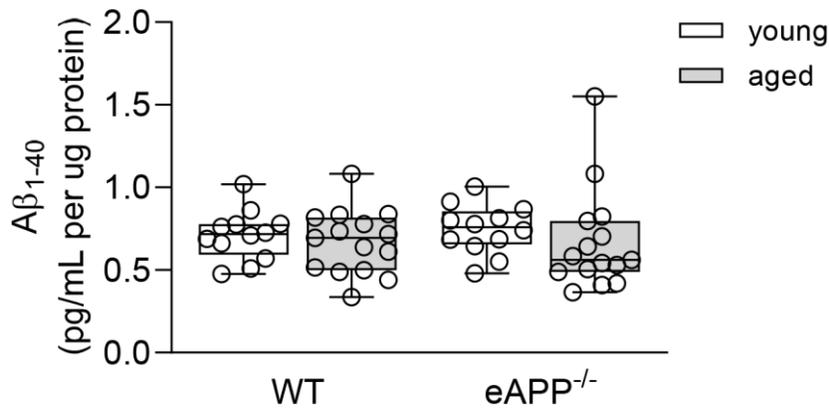


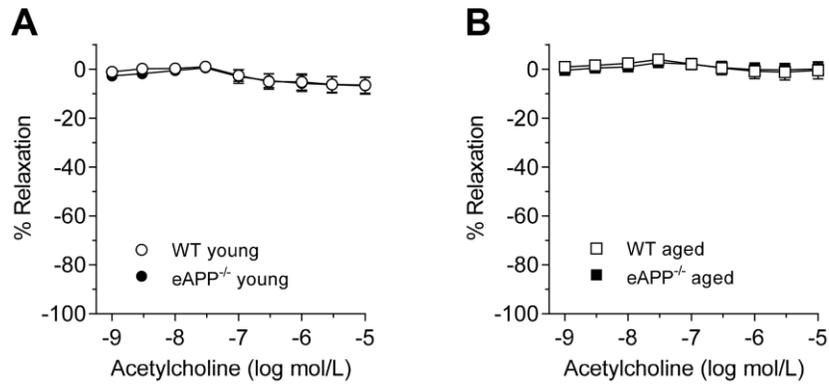
SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES



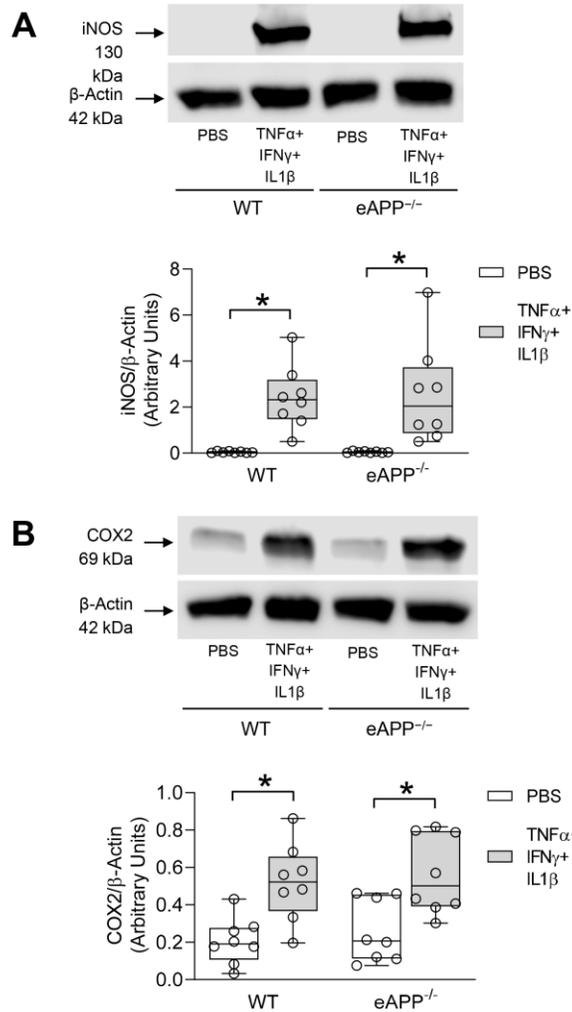
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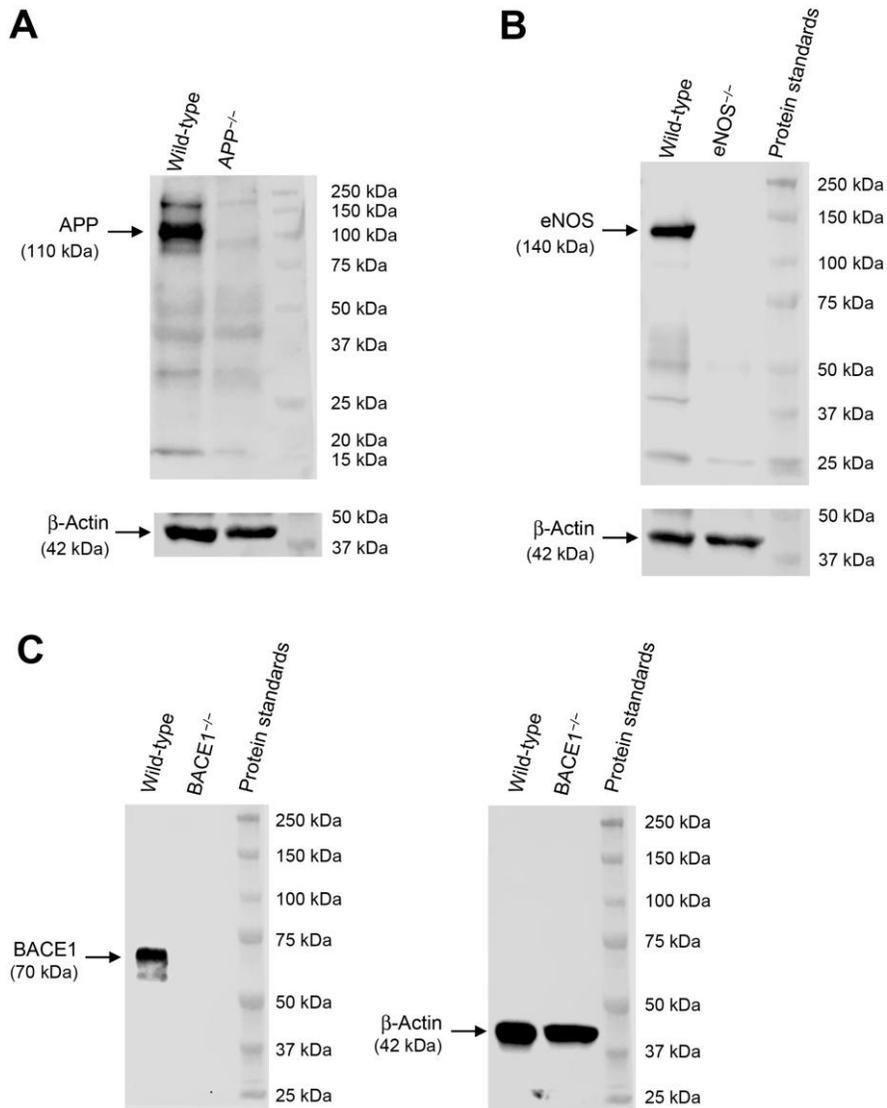
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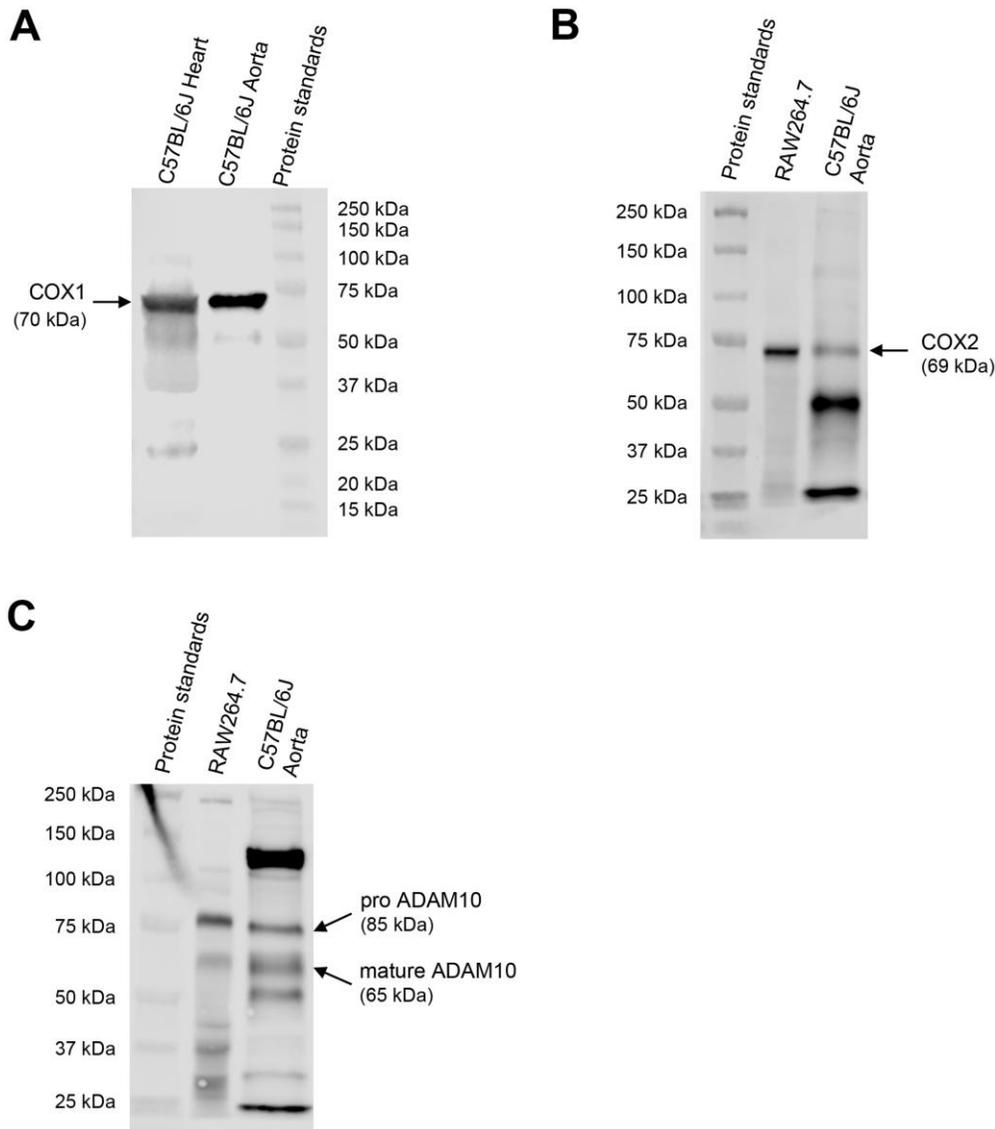
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Supplementary Figure 4. Effects *ex-vivo* treatment for 24 hours with cytokine cocktail (consisting TNF α , IFN γ , and IL-1 β) on iNOS (**A**, $n=8$ per group) and COX2 (**B**, $n=8$ per group) protein expressions of young wild-type (WT) littermates and eAPP^{-/-} mice aortas. Western blot results are the relative densitometry compared with β -actin protein. All results are representing box plots with whiskers showing the median, 25th to 75th percentiles, and min-max range. * $P < 0.05$ versus young mice of same strain (two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's HSD test).



Supplementary Figure 5. Western blot analyses for validation of primary antibodies. (A) The selectivity of APP antibody was examined in APP^{-/-} mice aortas (Stock no. 004133, The Jackson Laboratory). (B) The selectivity of eNOS antibody was examined in eNOS^{-/-} mice aortas (Stock no. 002684, The Jackson Laboratory). (C) The selectivity of BACE1 antibody was examined in BACE1^{-/-} mice aortas (Stock no. 004714, The Jackson Laboratory). As loading controls, all blots were reprobated with β-actin.



Supplementary Figure 6. Western blot analyses for validation of primary antibodies. (A) Wild-type mouse heart was used as positive control to identify COX1 band. (B) RAW264.7 whole cell lysate (no. ab7187, Abcam) was used as positive control for COX2 antibody. C57BL/6J aorta was incubated with cytokine cocktail (consisting TNF α , IFN γ , and IL-1 β) for 24 hours (see method section for details) to induce COX2 expression. (C) Positive control RAW264.7 whole cell lysate (no. ab7187, Abcam) was used for selectivity of pro- and mature forms of ADAM10 bands.