

Supplementary Figures

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Monoamine oxidase B is elevated in
Alzheimer disease neurons, is associated with γ -secretase
and regulates neuronal amyloid β -peptide levels

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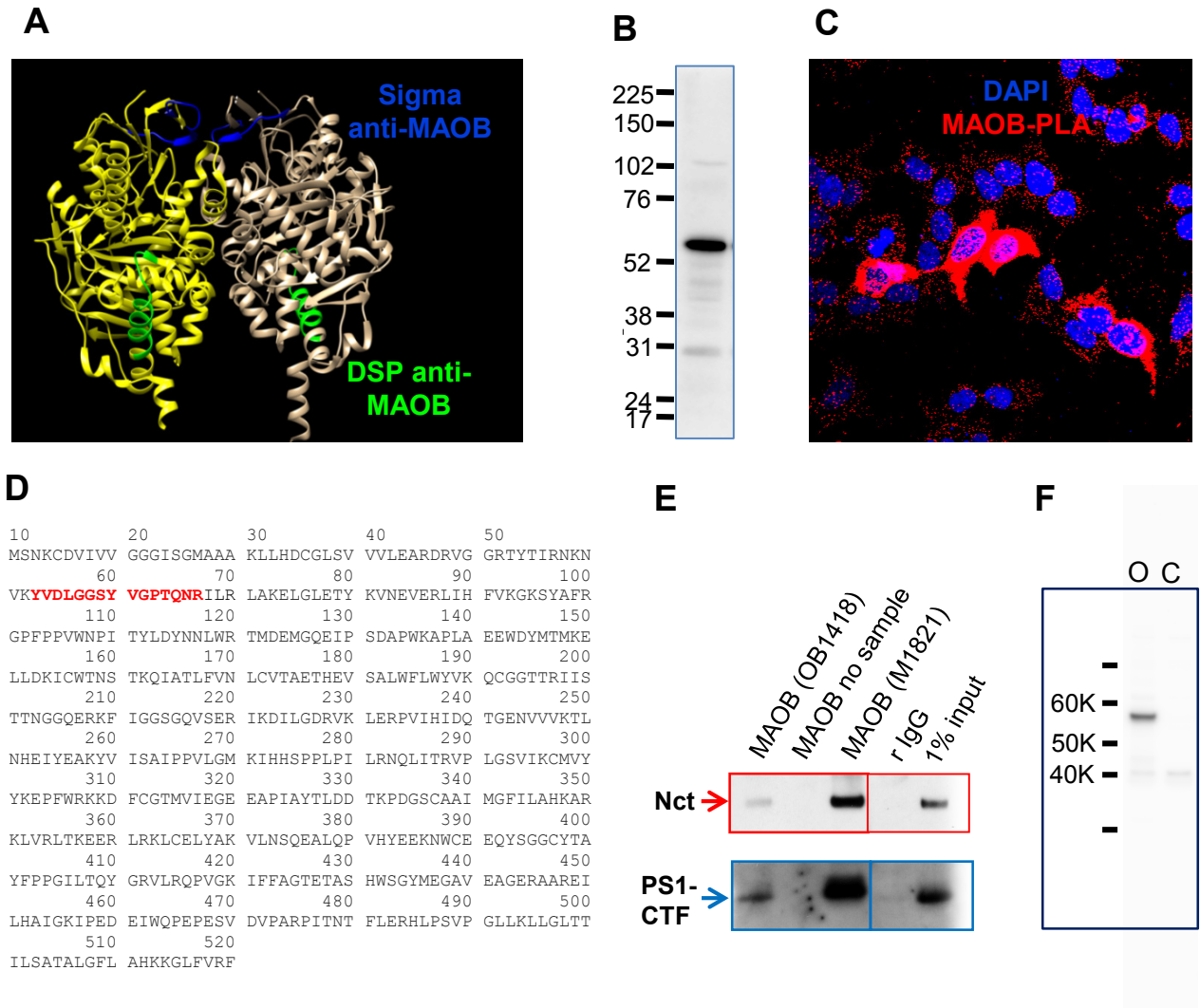
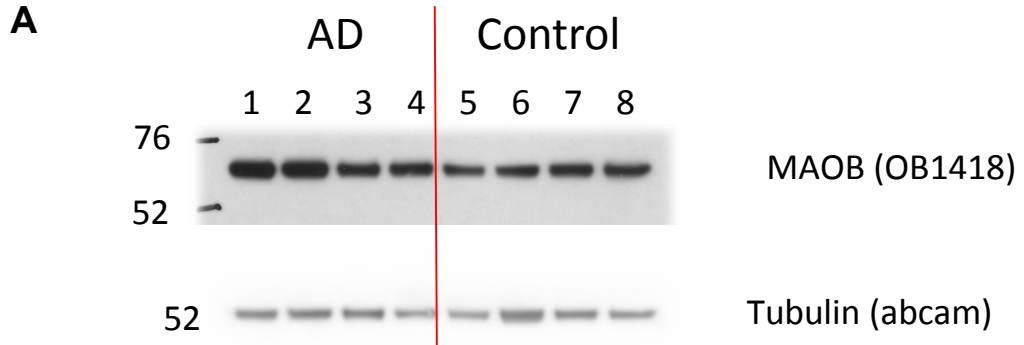


Figure S1. MAO-B antibody validation, precipitation and expression experiments.

- Image of an MAO-B dimer drawn in Chimera (pdb structure 1S2Q). The epitopes for DSP anti-MAO-B IgG OB1418 (green) and Sigma Aldrich anti-MAO-B IgG M1821 (blue) are shown.
- Validation of DSP anti-MAO-B IgG OB1418 by western blotting of human brain membranes isolated from frontal cortex shows one major band at the expected Molecular weight of ~ 58 kD.
- Confocal image of HEK-APP cells overexpressing MAO-B and subjected to single-protein PLA to detect MAO-B (red), using DSP anti-MAO-B IgG OB1418. The overexpressing cells have considerably more PLA signals, as expected, which provides evidence that the antibody binds to MAO-B.
- MAO-B amino acid sequence from rat, showing the sequence of the peptide (red) identified by Mass spectrometry of tryptic digests of rat brain synaptic membranes subjected to γ -secretase affinity purification method (with GCB) to identify γ -secretase associated proteins.
- Co-immunoprecipitation of γ -secretase components with MAO-B. Microsomal membranes from human brain cortex were used.
- Western blotting with anti-MAO-B (OB1418, 1:1000) of lysed HepG2 cells . O, MAO-B overexpressed cells; C, Control cells.



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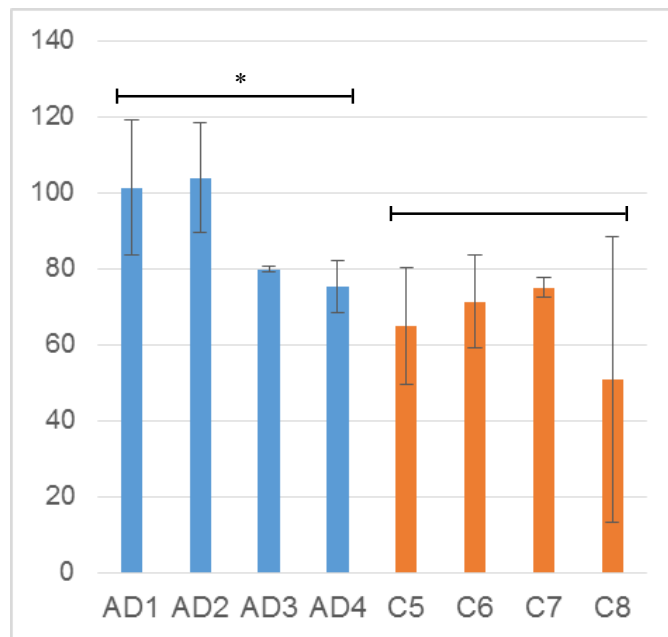


Figure S2. Western blot (WB) of postmortem AD and control human brain homogenate with MAO-B antibody.

- SDS-PAGE and western blot was performed on homogenates from four AD and four control cases. Tubulin, detected as a control, showed no difference between the groups and was used as a reference protein.
- Band intensities shown as mean values $\pm$ SD (quantified using Image J) from two different blots show a statistical difference between the AD and control group using t-test with two-tailed, two-sample unequal variance ($p=0.038$).

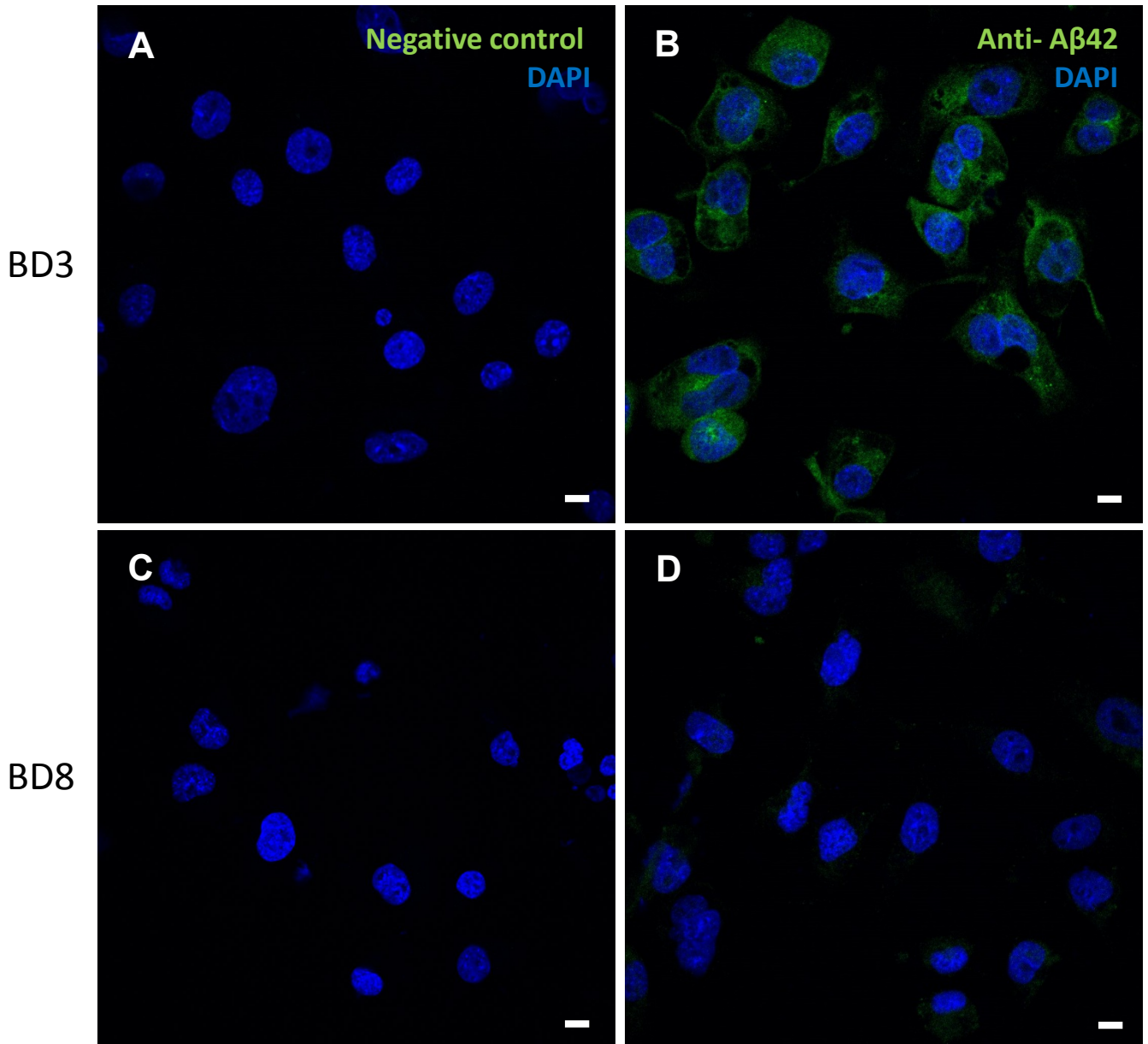


Figure S3. Validation of the A β 42-specific antibody G2-11 by immunocytochemistry. BD3 (containing one PS1 allele) and BD8 cells (lacking both PS1 and PS2) were stained with the anti-A β 42 specific antibody G2-11.

- Negative control of BD3 cells (lacking the primary antibody).
 - A β 42 staining of BD3 cells (with both primary and secondary antibodies).
 - Negative control of BD8 cells (lacking the primary antibody).
 - A β 42 staining of BD8 cells (with both primary and secondary antibodies).
- Nuclei were stained with DAPI (blue) and A β 42 staining is shown in green.

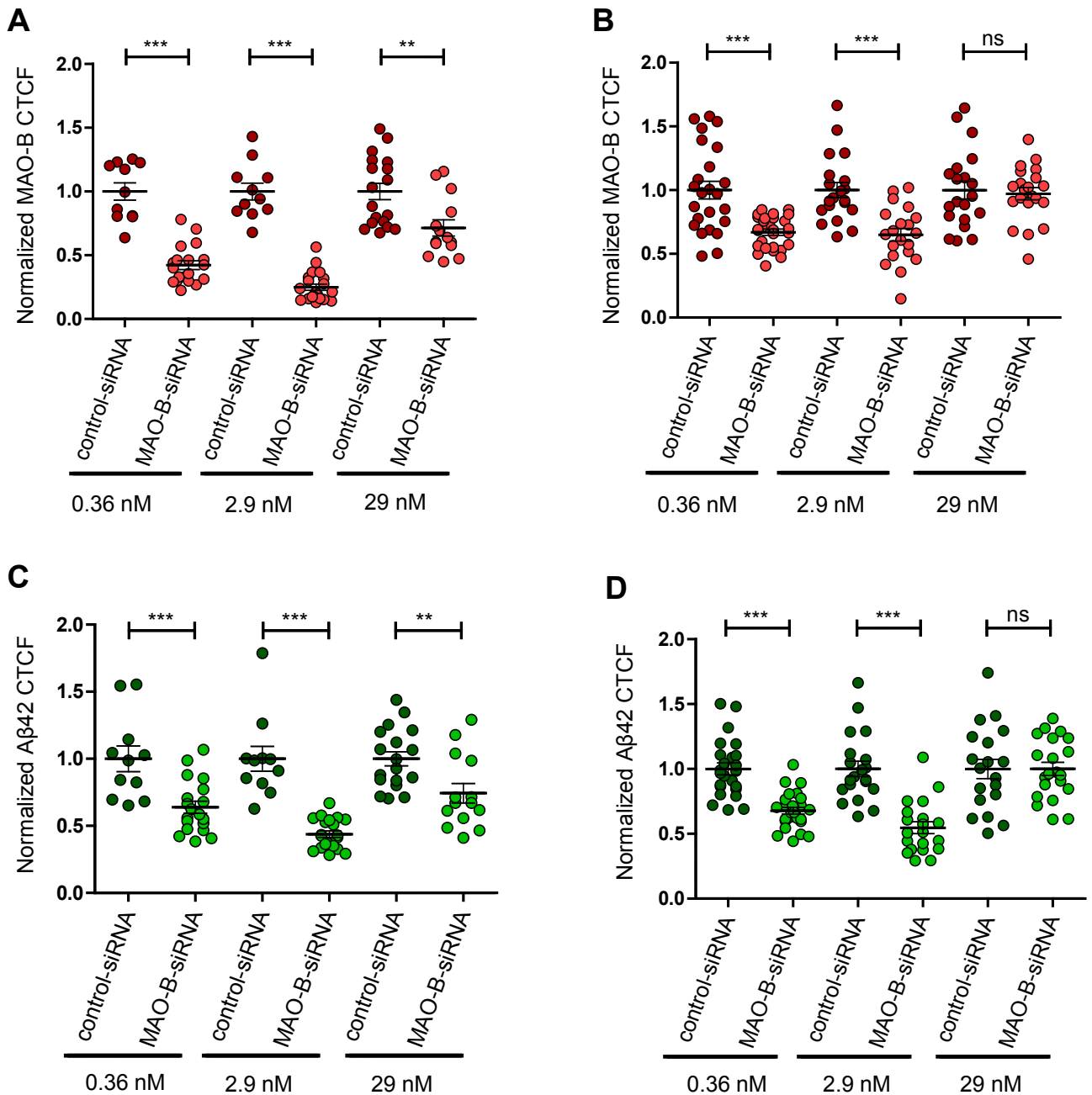


Figure S4. MAO-B and Aβ42 quantification in single cells from MAO-B silenced cortex neurons. Measurements were made from confocal images of MAO-B siRNA treated neurons (see also Fig. 8 in the main text). Here, data from individual cells is shown, where each circle represents data obtained from one cell.

- MAO-B levels from the first transfection experiment.
- MAO-B levels from the second transfection experiment.
- Aβ42 levels from the first transfection experiment.
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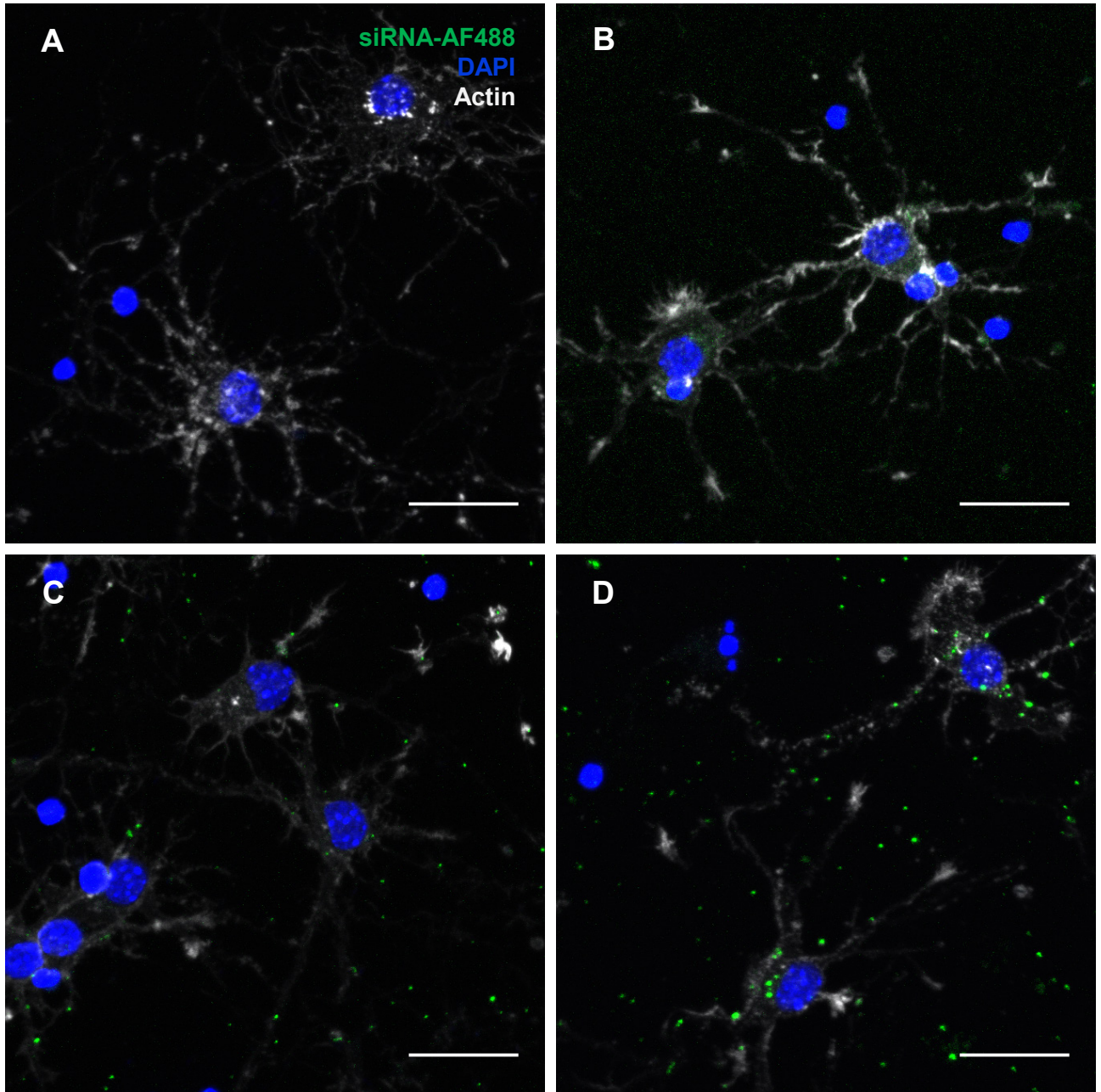


Figure S5. Treatment of primary cortical neurons with fluorescently labeled siRNA. Confocal images of 7DIV mouse primary cortical neurons treated with AF488-conjugated siRNA (Qiagen, 1027280). Z-projections of maximum intensity images collected by Z-stack scanning at 0.54-μm intervals are shown, scale bar = 30 μm.

- Neurons treated with Lipofectamine 3000 reagent only (no siRNA added).
- Neurons treated with 0.36 nM AF488-conjugated siRNA.
- Neurons treated with 2.9 nM AF488-conjugated siRNA.
- Neurons treated with 29 nM AF488-conjugated siRNA.