

Supplemental Data

Arc 3'UTR splicing leads to dual and antagonistic effects in fine-tuning Arc expression upon BDNF signaling

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Supplemental Figure 1

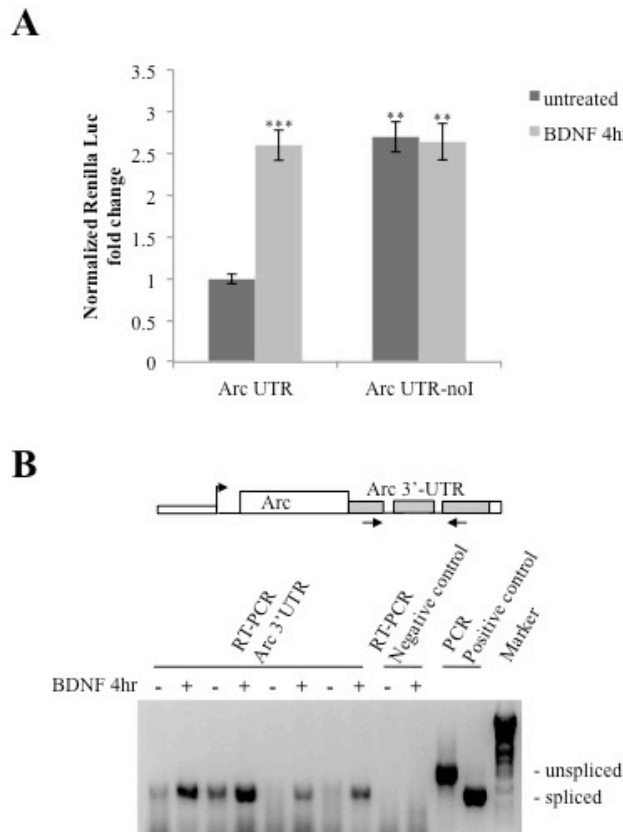


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(A) Luciferase assay of 13 d.i.v. cortical neurons transfected with Arc UTR or Arc UTR-noI constructs and subjected to a 4 hr chronic treatment with BDNF (100ng/ml) at 16 d.i.v..

The results are expressed as the mean \pm standard error (SEM) from five biological replicates each. Student's t-test: * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$, ns: non-significant.

(B) RT-PCR assay to analyze the splicing pattern of endogenous Arc mRNA 3'UTR region prior and upon BDNF treatment. (Upper) Schematic representation of the oligonucleotides utilized in the RT-PCR and in the PCR reactions, spanning both introns of Arc 3'UTR region. (Lower) Non quantitative one-step RT-PCR amplification of RNAs extracted from 4 independent preparations of neurons left untreated or treated with BDNF for 4 hr. As a negative control, RT-PCR reactions were performed omitting the reverse transcriptase enzyme in the reaction mix, and utilizing only Taq Polymerase (RT-PCR Negative control). As a size reference of spliced versus unspliced mRNAs, RT-PCR products were resolved next to PCR amplifications obtained using Arc UTR or Arc UTR-noI plasmid DNA as template (RT-PCR Positive control).