

**Table S1.** Distributions of the density of GFAP<sup>+</sup> astrocytes throughout the regions of the hippocampus in OXYS and Wistar rats (counts per 10000  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ).

Brain area	Wistar 3 m.	OXYS 3 m.	Wistar 18 m.	OXYS 18 m.	Wistar+SkQ1	OXYS+SkQ1
Hippocampus	3.97±0.29	3.69±0.41	2.74±0.21 <sup>^</sup>	3.83±0.13*	3.56±0.20 <sup>#</sup>	3.53±0.13
CA1 region	3.86±0.26	3.51±0.36	2.35±0.18 <sup>^</sup>	3.43±0.15*	3.18±0.34 <sup>#</sup>	3.42±0.14
Pyramidal layer of CA1	3.83±0.39	3.94±0.49	2.43±0.28 <sup>^</sup>	4.14±0.25*	3.95±0.67 <sup>#</sup>	3.94±0.47
Molecular layer of CA1	3.90±0.27	3.39±0.34	2.34±0.17 <sup>^</sup>	3.30±0.15*	3.06±0.30 <sup>#</sup>	3.33±0.10
CA3 region	5.24±0.77	5.64±0.86	3.09±0.28 <sup>^</sup>	5.15±0.31*	4.48±0.50 <sup>#</sup>	3.75±0.39 <sup>#</sup>
Pyramidal layer of CA3	5.72±0.71	5.83±0.88	2.96±0.28 <sup>^</sup>	6.86±0.55*	5.60±1.09 <sup>#</sup>	4.27±0.57 <sup>#</sup>
Molecular layer of CA3	5.23±0.89	5.60±0.88	3.17±0.33 <sup>^</sup>	4.62±0.28*	4.18±0.43	3.52±0.35 <sup>#</sup>
Dentate gyrus	3.61±0.32	2.51±0.27*	3.21±0.27	4.01±0.15* <sup>^</sup>	3.80±0.24	3.67±0.14
Granular layer of DG	2.61±0.33	1.68±0.21*	1.74±0.24 <sup>^</sup>	2.62±0.21* <sup>^</sup>	2.34±0.36	2.78±0.26
Molecular layer of DG	3.22±0.32	2.12±0.26*	3.20±0.33	3.89±0.17 <sup>^</sup>	3.88±0.27	3.63±0.09
Hilus	6.38±0.64	4.93±0.54	5.30±0.36	6.49±0.48	5.41±0.59	5.17±0.56

\*p < 0.05 for differences between the strains; <sup>^</sup>p < 0.05 for differences from previous age; <sup>#</sup>p < 0.05 for SkQ1 effects; m.: months (age).

**Table S2.** Distributions of the density of vimentin<sup>+</sup> astrocytes throughout the regions of the hippocampus in OXYS and Wistar rats (counts per 10000  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ).

Brain area	Wistar 3 m.	OXYS 3 m.	Wistar 18 m.	OXYS 18 m.	Wistar+SkQ1	OXYS+SkQ1
Hippocampus	0.28±0.03	0.26±0.04	0.23±0.03	0.38±0.03* <sup>^</sup>	0.36±0.02 <sup>#</sup>	0.43±0.05
CA1 region	0.28±0.03	0.25±0.04	0.35±0.06	0.55±0.04* <sup>^</sup>	0.58±0.05 <sup>#</sup>	0.69±0.08
Pyramidal layer of CA1	0.29±0.06	0.26±0.07	0.37±0.08	0.51±0.07 <sup>^</sup>	0.59±0.11	0.47±0.05
Molecular layer of CA1	0.28±0.04	0.24±0.04	0.34±0.06	0.56±0.05* <sup>^</sup>	0.58±0.04 <sup>#</sup>	0.72±0.09
CA3 region	0.32±0.09	0.35±0.07	0.44±0.04	0.78±0.08* <sup>^</sup>	0.67±0.06 <sup>#</sup>	0.53±0.04 <sup>#</sup>
Pyramidal layer of CA3	0.38±0.12	0.33±0.08	0.52±0.10	0.95±0.22	0.81±0.15	0.36±0.07
Molecular layer of CA3	0.26±0.07	0.33±0.09	0.43±0.05	0.76±0.06* <sup>^</sup>	0.61±0.10	0.58±0.07
Dentate gyrus	0.17±0.05	0.17±0.02	0.14±0.02	0.24±0.05	0.04±0.01 <sup>#</sup>	0.04±0.01 <sup>#</sup>
Granular layer of DG	1.05±0.47	0.73±0.23	0.29±0.07	0.31±0.09	0.18±0.04	0.20±0.03
Molecular layer of DG	0.04±0.02	0.02±0.01	0.66±0.08 <sup>^</sup>	0.50±0.07 <sup>^</sup>	0.45±0.02 <sup>#</sup>	0.54±0.08
Hilus	0.03±0.02	0.19±0.13	1.39±0.23 <sup>^</sup>	0.92±0.06 <sup>^</sup>	0.98±0.15	0.73±0.13

\*p < 0.05 for differences between the strains; <sup>^</sup>p < 0.05 for differences from previous age; <sup>#</sup>p < 0.05 for SkQ1 effects; m.: months (age).

**Table S4.** Distributions of the density of resting microglia throughout the regions of the hippocampus in OXYS and Wistar rats (counts per 10000  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ).

Brain area	Wistar 3 m.	OXYS 3 m.	Wistar 18 m.	OXYS 18 m.	Wistar+SkQ1	OXYS+SkQ1
Hippocampus	0.47±0.07	0.61±0.15	0.62±0.06	0.73±0.06	1.08±0.08 <sup>#</sup>	1.33±0.12 <sup>#</sup>
CA1 region	0.70±0.15	0.34±0.05 <sup>*</sup>	1.04±0.07	1.15±0.05 <sup>^</sup>	1.03±0.09	1.23±0.11
Pyramidal layer of CA1	0.86±0.28	0.28±0.05 <sup>*</sup>	0.98±0.16	0.98±0.11 <sup>^</sup>	0.93±0.09	1.10±0.11
Molecular layer of CA1	0.67±0.12	0.34±0.05 <sup>*</sup>	1.06±0.07 <sup>^</sup>	1.17±0.06 <sup>^</sup>	1.05±0.09	1.26±0.12
CA3 region	0.65±0.18	0.41±0.09	1.30±0.21 <sup>^</sup>	1.37±0.12 <sup>^</sup>	1.12±0.13	1.42±0.11
Pyramidal layer of CA3	0.69±0.24	0.30±0.08	0.92±0.16	1.22±0.20 <sup>^</sup>	1.10±0.15	1.23±0.17
Molecular layer of CA3	0.65±0.17	0.45±0.12	1.42±0.26 <sup>^</sup>	1.44±0.18 <sup>^</sup>	1.12±0.18	1.46±0.13
Dentate gyrus	0.43±0.06	0.40±0.06	1.18±0.10 <sup>^</sup>	1.24±0.08 <sup>^</sup>	1.11±0.10	1.45±0.15
Granular layer of DG	0.51±0.07	0.64±0.12	0.80±0.15	0.96±0.10	0.84±0.16	0.96±0.11
Molecular layer of DG	0.62±0.12	0.54±0.09	1.28±0.13 <sup>^</sup>	1.28±0.07 <sup>^</sup>	1.15±0.09	1.51±0.16
Hilus	0.59±0.13	0.43±0.08	1.06±0.18	1.53±0.22 <sup>^</sup>	1.22±0.16	1.75±0.24

\*p < 0.05 for differences between the strains; <sup>^</sup>p < 0.05 for differences from previous age; <sup>#</sup>p < 0.05 for SkQ1 effects; m.: months (age).

**Table S5.** Distributions of the density of activated microglia throughout the regions of the hippocampus in OXYS and Wistar rats (counts per 10000  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ).

Brain area	Wistar 3 m.	OXYS 3 m.	Wistar 18 m.	OXYS 18 m.	Wistar+SkQ1	OXYS+SkQ1
Hippocampus	1.08±0.14	1.29±0.07	1.01±0.04	1.12±0.04	0.84±0.06 <sup>#</sup>	0.84±0.04 <sup>#</sup>
CA1 region	1.24±0.18	0.97±0.16	0.82±0.07	0.85±0.06	0.73±0.08	0.71±0.04
Pyramidal layer of CA1	1.44±0.26	0.81±0.15	1.04±0.17	1.20±0.19	0.88±0.14	0.78±0.04
Molecular layer of CA1	1.20±0.16	0.99±0.17	0.78±0.06 <sup>^</sup>	0.81±0.06	0.71±0.07	0.70±0.04
CA3 region	1.84±0.35	1.33±0.19	0.97±0.12	1.28±0.12	0.97±0.07	1.12±0.12
Pyramidal layer of CA3	1.63±0.46	1.03±0.14	1.18±0.22	1.66±0.18 <sup>^</sup>	0.72±0.12	1.37±0.23
Molecular layer of CA3	1.92±0.35	1.45±0.22	0.90±0.15 <sup>^</sup>	1.12±0.13	1.08±0.07	1.03±0.11
Dentate gyrus	1.09±0.21	0.81±0.11	0.91±0.02	0.90±0.07	0.94±0.07	0.96±0.04
Granular layer of DG	1.70±0.48	0.65±0.10	0.97±0.08	0.91±0.10	0.87±0.08	0.77±0.08
Molecular layer of DG	1.04±0.18	0.74±0.13	0.72±0.03	0.63±0.05	0.81±0.06	0.76±0.04
Hilus	3.29±0.69	2.65±0.42	1.64±0.13	2.13±0.17	1.65±0.18	1.97±0.11

<sup>^</sup>p < 0.05 for differences compared to previous age; <sup>#</sup>p < 0.05 for SkQ1 effects; m.: months (age).

**Table S6.** The number of pyknotic nuclei and their percentage phagocytized by microglia in OXYS and Wistar rats (counts per 10000  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ).

	<b>Wistar 18 m.</b>	<b>OXYS 18 m.</b>	<b>Wistar+SkQ1</b>	<b>OXYS+SkQ1</b>
Number of pyknotic nuclei per 10000 $\mu\text{m}^2$	8.90 $\pm$ 1.61	6.88 $\pm$ 0.92	4.86 $\pm$ 0.43 <sup>#</sup>	5.17 $\pm$ 1.15
Percentage of pyknotic nuclei phagocytized by microglia	76.39 $\pm$ 2.57	83.82 $\pm$ 3.49	77.78 $\pm$ 3.50	79.89 $\pm$ 3.37

<sup>#</sup>p < 0.05 for SkQ1 effects; m.: months (age).