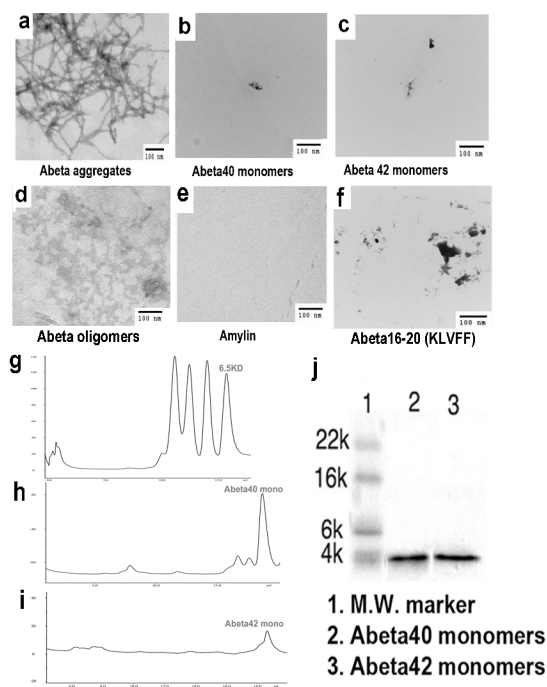


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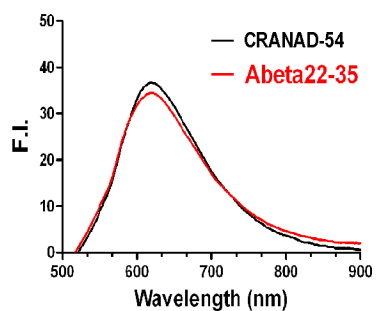
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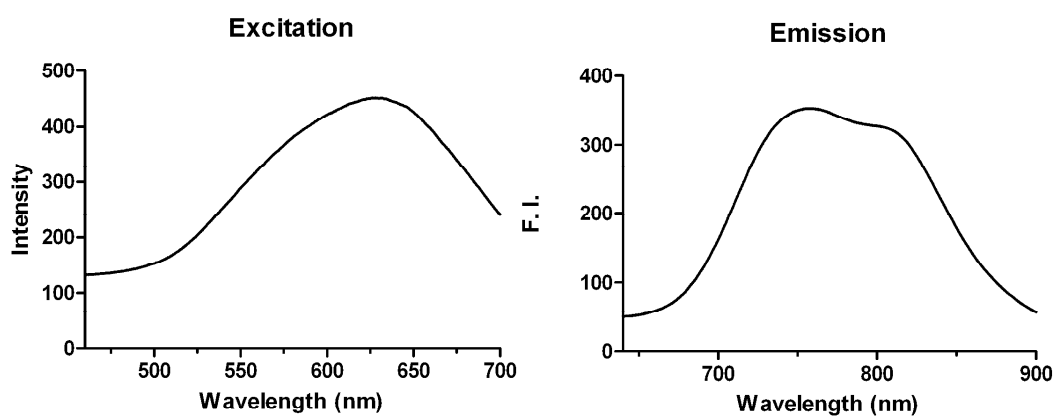
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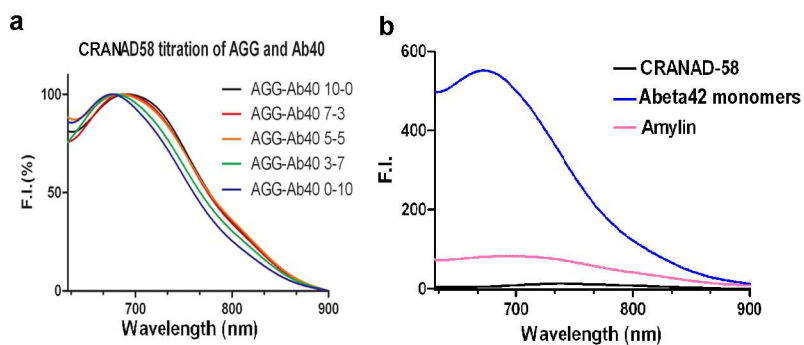
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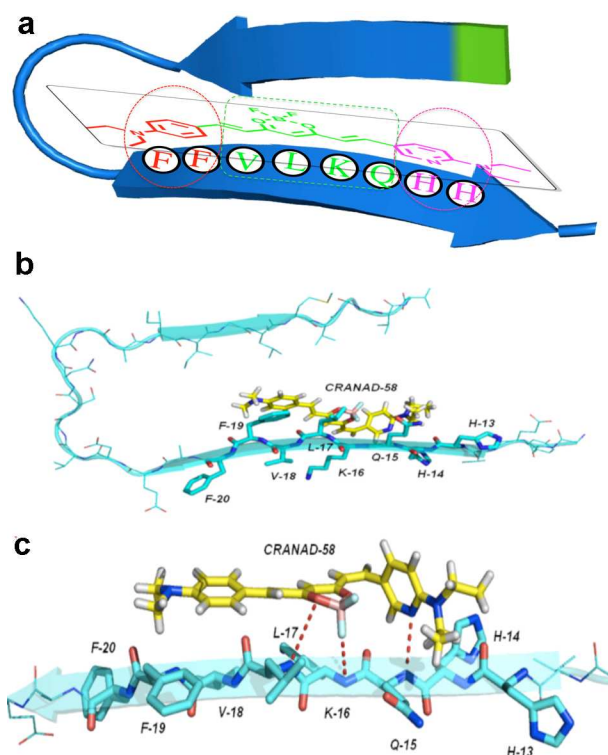
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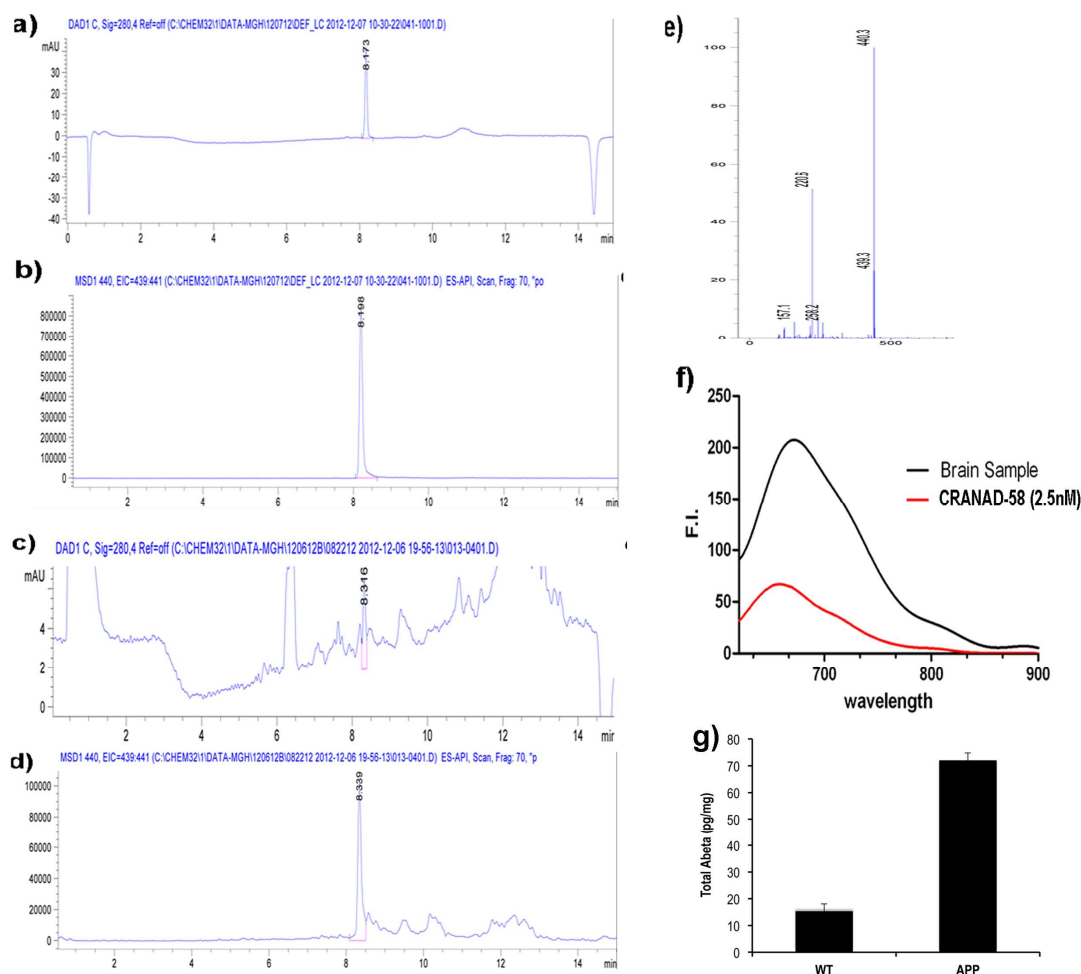
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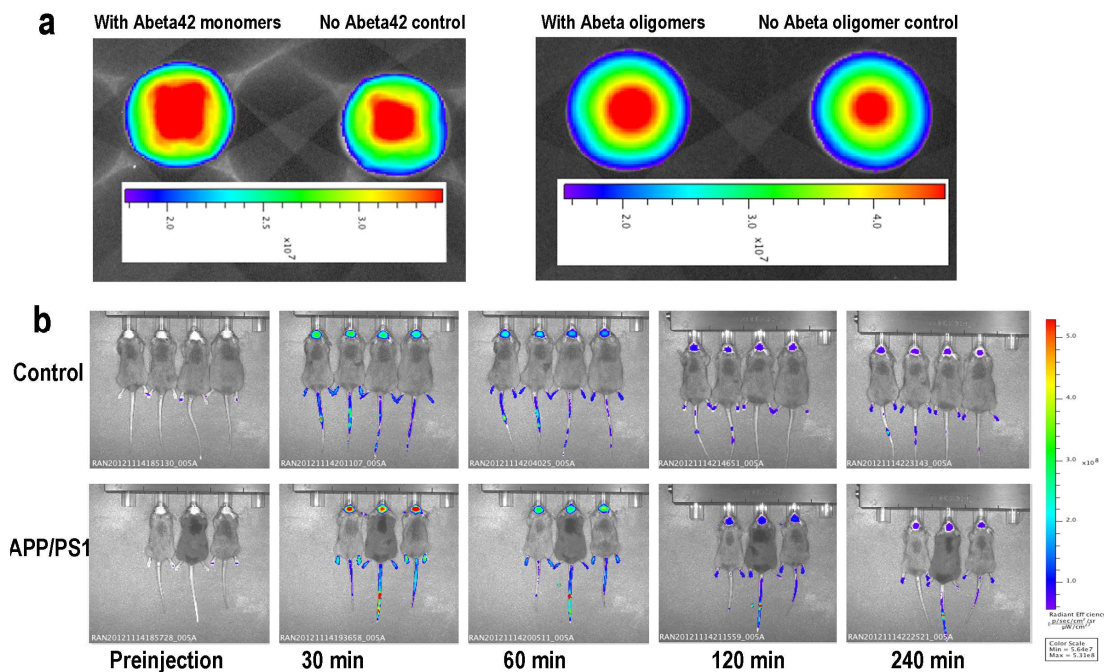
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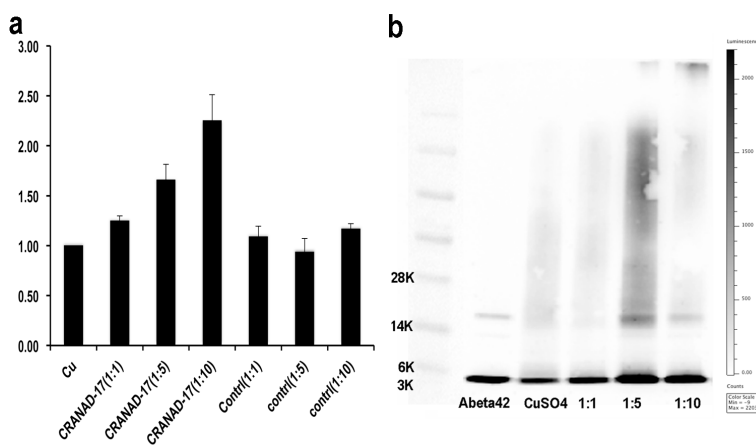
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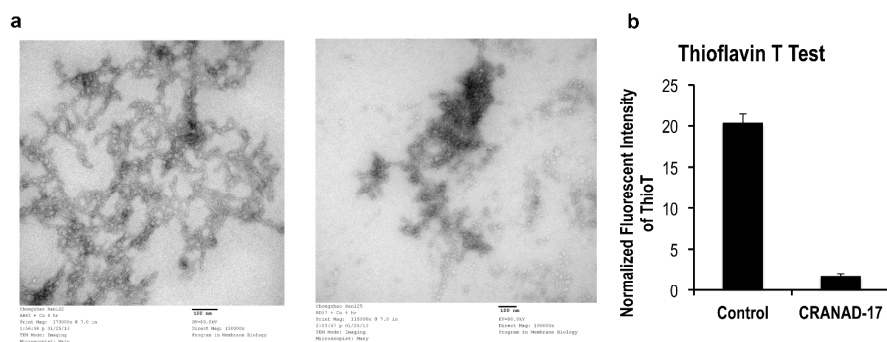
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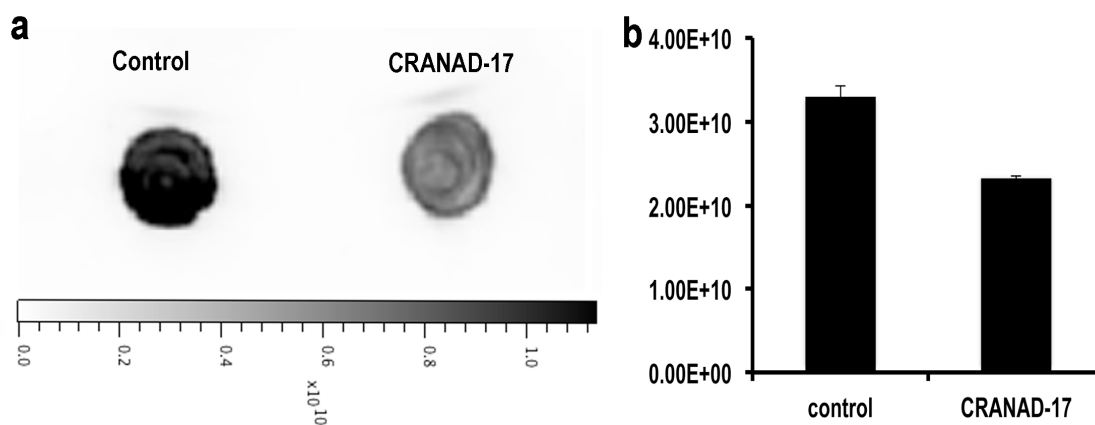
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SI Fig.8 Quantitative analysis of monomeric bands in Fig.8c. (b) Western blot of A β 42 (without copper, lane 1), treated with CuSO₄ (lane 2), and CuSO₄ + CRANAD-17 (lanes 3-5) (A β 42/CRANAD-17 = 1:1, 1:5, and 1:10).



SI Fig.9 (a) TEM imaging of Aβ₄₂ treated with CuSO₄ (left), and with CuSO₄+CRANAD-17 (right). (b) Fluorescence intensity of Thioflavin T obtained from Aβ₄₂ solutions treated with CuSO₄ and CuSO₄+CRANAD-17.



SI Fig.10 (a) Dot-blotting of Aβ₄₂ treated with CuSO₄ (left) and with CuSO₄+CRANAD-17 (right) using Aβ antibody 2H4, which has better recognizing capability for Aβ fibrils. (b) Quantitative analysis of (a) (n=2).