

Supplementary materials

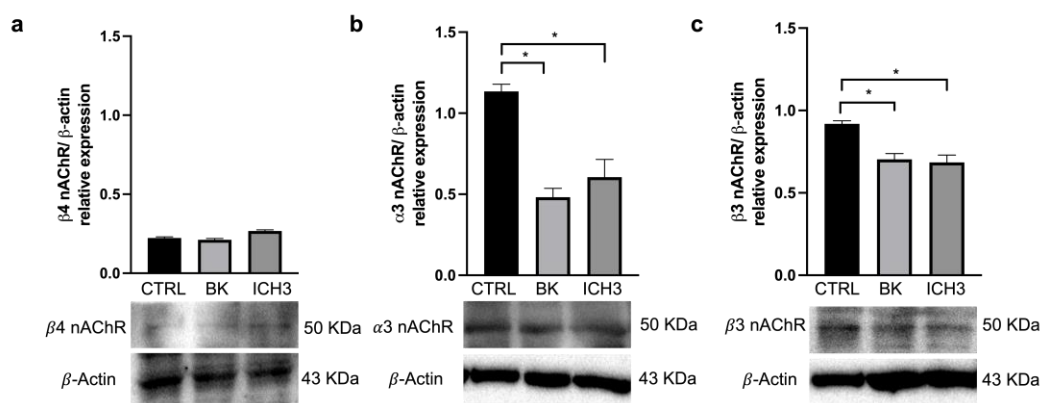


Figure S1. Expression levels of β4, α3, β3 nAChR subunits in SCs. Western blot analysis of (a) β4 nAChR, (b) α3 nAChR, (c) β3 nAChR protein expression in SCs after 24 h of treatment with 10 μM BK or 48 h of treatment with 10 μM ICH3 after 24 h of pretreatment with BK. SCs were pretreated with BK for 24 h before ICH3 treatment. β-Actin was used as internal reference protein. The graph shows the densitometric analysis of the bands of western blot analysis for α7 nAChR normalized with the bands of the β-Actin used as reference protein. The data are the average ± SEM of three independent experiments. T-test's student was used (* $p < 0.05$).

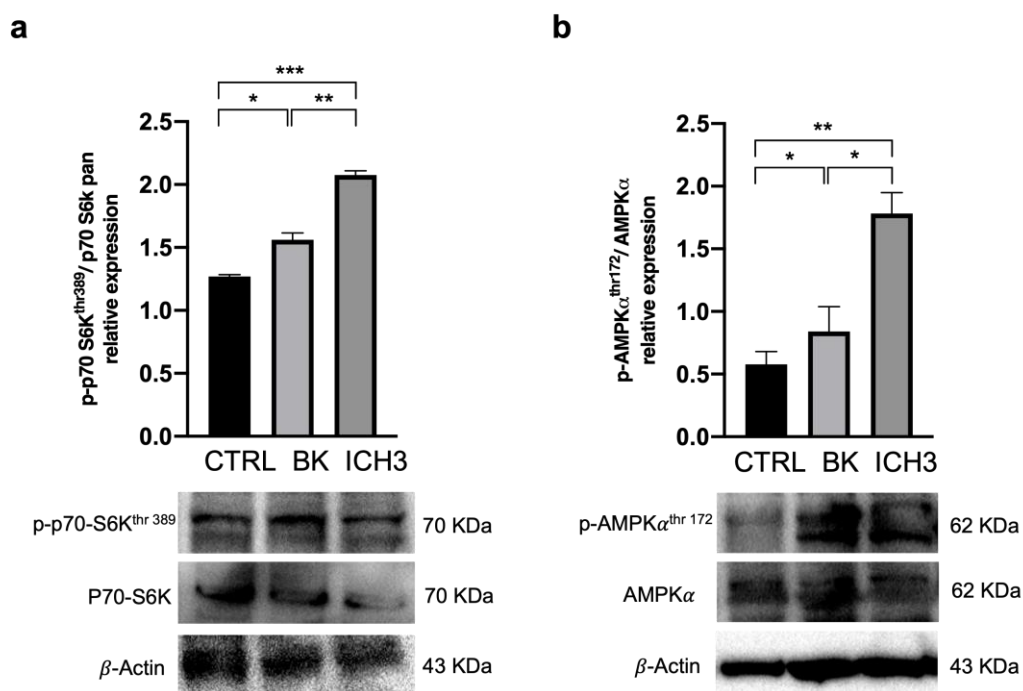


Figure S2. SCs were treated with 10 μM BK alone and with 10 μM ICH3 after BK pretreatment (a) Phospho-p70S6K^{Thr389} expression. β-Actin was used as internal reference protein. The graph shows the densitometric analysis of the bands of western blot analysis for Phospho-p70S6K normalized with the bands of the non-phosphorylated p70S6K protein. (b) Phospho-AMPKα^{Thr172} expression. β-Actin was used as internal reference protein. The graph shows the densitometric analysis of the bands of western blot analysis for Phospho-AMPKα normalized with the bands of the non-phosphorylated AMPKα protein. All data are the average ± SEM of three independent experiments. Student's t-test was used (* $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$).