## **Supporting Information**

### for

# Exploring the Reactivity of Flavonoid Compounds with Metal-Associated Amyloid-β Species

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|     | MW     | HBD | HBA | PSA   | clogP | logBB  |
|-----|--------|-----|-----|-------|-------|--------|
| FL1 | 238.24 | 1   | 3   | 50.44 | 4.11  | 0.008  |
| FL2 | 281.31 | 1   | 4   | 53.68 | 4.29  | -0.012 |
| FL3 | 281.31 | 1   | 4   | 53.68 | 3.23  | -0.174 |
| FL4 | 239.23 | 1   | 4   | 63.33 | 1.83  | -0.529 |

Table S1. Values (MW, clogP, HBA, HBD, PSA, and logBB) of FL1 – FL4.<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Molecular weight (MW)  $\leq 450$ , calculated logarithm of the octanol-water partition coefficient (*c*logP)  $\leq 5$ , hydrogen bond donor (HBD) atoms  $\leq 5$ , hydrogen bond acceptor (HBA) atoms  $\leq 10$ , polar surface area (PSA)  $\leq 90$  Å<sup>2</sup>. The log BB is calculated from the equation logBB =  $-0.0148 \times PSA + 0.152 \times clogP + 0.130$ . If the log BB value is > 0.3, the molecule can pass the BBB; if the value is < -1.0, then it will poorly cross the BBB.



**Fig. S1** UV-Vis spectra of **FL1** – **FL3** before (black) and after incubation with 1 equivalent of  $CuCl_2$  (blue) or  $ZnCl_2$  (green) for 5 min in EtOH.



**Fig. S2** UV-Vis variable-pH titration spectra of (a) **FL4** (left, pH 2.0 to 7.0; right, pH 7.0 to 12; [**FL4**] = 50  $\mu$ M), (b) **FL4** with Cu<sup>2+</sup> (pH 2.0 to 7.0; [**FL4**] = 50  $\mu$ M, [CuCl<sub>2</sub>] = 25  $\mu$ M), and (c) **FL4** with Zn<sup>2+</sup> (pH 3.0 to 7.0; [**FL4**] = 100  $\mu$ M, [ZnCl<sub>2</sub>] = 50  $\mu$ M).



Fig. S3 Determination of the interaction of FL4 with  $A\beta_{1-40}$  monomer by mass spectrometry. (a) A mass spectrum of a sample containing FL4 and A $\beta_{1-40}$  in a 5:1 molar ratio. Free ligand signal (observed as an [M+H]<sup>+</sup> ion) is observed in high abundance, as are signals for the monomeric Aß peptide. Control data acquired for these experiments showed clear evidence for larger oligomers, as reported previously (data not shown). The peaks within the region marked with an \* correspond to chemical noise peaks, primarily arising from the ammonium acetate buffer used to prepare the samples. (b) Inset showing ion intensity magnified by 5x for the region surrounding the 4+ charge state of the A $\beta_{1-40}$  peptide. The dashed line represents the region of the spectrum where a signal corresponding to the protein-ligand complex would be expected to appear. (c) Inset showing ion intensity magnified by 3x for the region surrounding the 3+ charge state of the A $\beta_{1-40}$  peptide. As in (b), the dashed line represents the region of the spectrum where a signal corresponding to the protein-ligand complex would be expected to appear. In both (b) and (c), no clear evidence of ligand binding to monomeric A $\beta_{1-40}$  is observed at the 5:1 molar ratio used here.



#### **Inhibition Experiment**

**Fig. S4** Inhibition experiment. Top: Scheme of the inhibition experiment. Bottom: Results visualized by native gel electrophoresis followed by Western blotting (6E10). The samples include A $\beta$  (10  $\mu$ M) incubated with or without CuCl<sub>2</sub> or ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (10  $\mu$ M) and ligand (20  $\mu$ M) for 24 h at 37 °C with agitation (buffer condition: 20  $\mu$ M HEPES, pH 6.6 for CuCl<sub>2</sub> or pH 7.4 for ZnCl<sub>2</sub>, 150  $\mu$ M NaCl). Lanes: 1) A $\beta$  ± CuCl<sub>2</sub> or ZnCl<sub>2</sub>; 2) 1 + **FL1**; 3) 1 + **FL2**; 4) 1 + **FL3**; 5) 1 + **FL4**.



### **Disaggregation Experiment**

**Fig. S5** Disaggregation experiment using **FL4**. Top: Scheme of the disaggregation experiment. Bottom: Results visualized by native gel electrophoresis followed by Western blotting (6E10). The samples include A $\beta$  (25  $\mu$ M) incubated with or without CuCl<sub>2</sub> or ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (25  $\mu$ M) and **FL4** (50  $\mu$ M) for 24 h at 37 °C with agitation (buffer condition: 20  $\mu$ M HEPES, pH 6.6 for CuCl<sub>2</sub> or pH 7.4 for ZnCl<sub>2</sub>, 150  $\mu$ M NaCl). Lanes: 1) A $\beta$ ; 2) 1 + **FL4**; 3) A $\beta$  + CuCl<sub>2</sub>; 4) 3 + **FL4**; 4) A $\beta$  + ZnCl<sub>2</sub> + **FL4**; 5) 4 + **FL4**.