Table 1. Body weight (g), absolute (mg) and relative weight (adrenal weight/body weight) of the adrenal gland, and volume of pituitary gland of NAG (OVA—) and AG (OVA+) mice.

Group	Subgroup	BW (g)	AW (mg)	AW/BW (×10 ⁻⁴)	VPG (×10 μm ⁶)
Non-allergy	0	27.62±0.44	5.57±0.16	2.02±0.07	752.06±28.62
(OVA—)	80	28.97±0.59	5.28±0.47	1.83±0.16	782.42±21.48
	400	28.24±0.34	5.23±0.17	1.85±0.05	805.21±23.08
	2000	28.50±0.67	4.91±0.31	1.74±0.12	798.78±33.59
Allergy	0	28.46±0.45	5.83±0.27	2.05±0.09	830.25±32.19
(OVA+)	80	27.00±0.47*#	6.17±0.35	2.29±0.38 [#]	768.03±14.59
	400	28.78±0.25	5.68±0.18	1.98±0.23	856.82±39.11
	2000	29.02±0.33	5.68±0.39	1.96±0.14	819.07±29.45

Data are expressed as mean \pm SEM,

BW: body weight, AW: adrenal weight,

VPG: volume of anterior pituitary gland.

The number of mice in each subgroup except VPG (n=5) is 10.

^{*}p<0.05 vs. control (0 subgroup of AG mice),

^{*}p<0.05 vs. the corresponding subgroup of NAG mice,

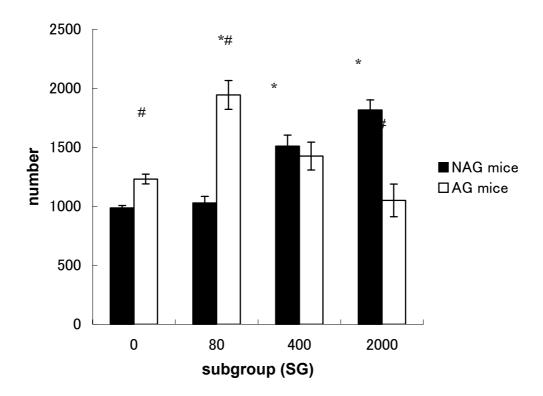


Fig. 1. The number of CRH-ir neurons in the PVN of NAG (OVA-) (closed bar) and AG (OVA+) (open bar) mice. Values are expressed as means \pm SEM. *p<0.05 vs. the 0 subgroup (control) in each group, *p<0.05 vs. the corresponding subgroup of NAG mice. The number of mice in each subgroup is 5.

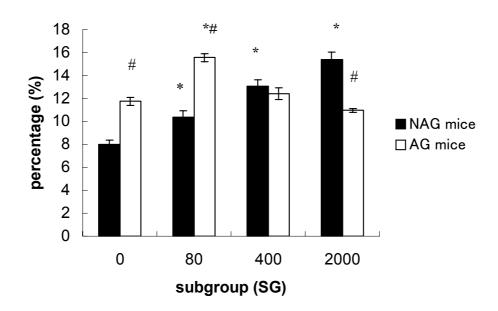


Fig. 2. The percentage of ACTH-ir cells in the anterior pituitary gland of NAG (OVA-) (closed bar) and AG (OVA+) (open bar) mice. Values are expressed as means \pm SEM. *p<0.05 vs. the 0 subgroup (control) in each group, *p<0.05 vs. the corresponding subgroup of NAG mice. The number of mice in each subgroup is 5.

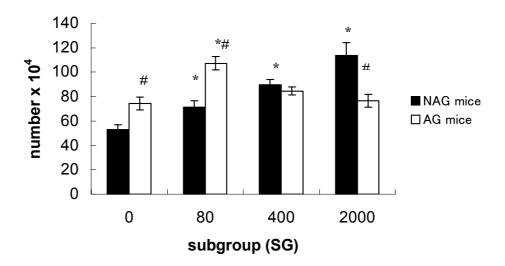


Fig. 3. The numbers of ACTH-ir cells in the anterior pituitary gland of NAG (OVA-) (closed bar) and AG (OVA+) (open bar) mice. Values are expressed as means \pm SEM. *p<0.05 vs. the 0 subgroup (control) in each group, *p<0.05 vs. the corresponding subgroup of NAG mice. The number of mice in each subgroup is 5.