

S2 Fig. Effects of cinnamaldehyde and eugenol on CaCl₂-induced contractile response in endothelium-denuded rat aortic rings. Rings were treated with Ca²⁺-free high K⁺ solution (containing 0.1 mM EGTA and 60 mM K⁺). The Ca²⁺-free preparations were then cumulatively contracted with CaCl₂ (0.156-2.5 mM) in the absence or presence of cinnamaldehyde or eugenol. The established L-type Ca²⁺ channel blocker verapamil was used as reference compound. Data were normalized to contraction induced by 60 mM K⁺ in the presence of 2.5 mM CaCl₂ (=100%). Concentration-response curves obtained with different ring segments from a single animal were averaged and counted as an individual experiment. Data are expressed as mean values±SEM (n=3). All compounds significantly inhibited CaCl₂-induced contraction (p<0.05 determined by ANOVA and Dunnett's post hoc test).