

Figure 3-6. Effect of $[^3H]$ 3-azioctanol concentration on the incorporation into α -subunit.

nAChR-rich membranes (100 μg at 2 mg/ml) were equilibrated with varying concentrations of [3 H]3-azioctanol (\sim 0.04 Ci/mmol), in the absence of other drugs (\bullet , \circ), in the presence of 2 mM carbamylcholine (\blacktriangledown , \triangledown), or in the presence of 10 μM αBgTx (\blacksquare , \square). After irradiation at 365 nm for 10 minutes, samples were subjected to SDS-PAGE and visualized by Coomassie Blue. Bands corresponding to nAChR α-subunit (solid symbols), as well as the 90 kD band, containing the α-subunit of Na $^{+}$ /K $^{+}$ ATPase (open symbols), were excised, and 3 H incorporation was quantified by scintillation counting. Error bars are from the average of 4 separate experiments normalized to a common specific activity by assuming common level of incorporation in α-subunit in the presence of carbamylcholine at 2.2 mM [3 H]3-azioctanol.