CXCR4 induces podocyte injury and proteinuria by activating β-catenin signaling

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Supplementary Figures



Figure S1. Colocalization of CXCR4 and β -catenin in the glomeruli of kidney biopsies from patients with proteinuric kidney diseases. Frozen sections were immunostained for CXCR4 (red) and β -catenin (green), respectively. Colocalizations of CXCR4 and β -catenin in glomeruli are indicated by arrows. Scale bar, 50 µm. Representative micrographs of normal kidney (1 case), DN (2 cases), FSGS (2 cases) and MN (2 cases). DN, diabetic nephropathy; FSGS, focal and segmental glomerulosclerosis; MN, membranous nephropathy.



Figure S2. SDF-1 α does not affect the mRNA expression of various Wnt ligands in cultured podocytes. Quantitative real-time PCR (qPCR) analyses show mRNA expression of Wnt ligands in cultured podocytes (MPC5) after treatment with SDF-1 α (100 ng/mL) for 24 h (n = 3).



Figure S3. Blockade of β-catenin signaling by ICG-001 preserves tight junction protein ZO-1 in cultured podocytes. Representative micrographs show ZO-1 staining in the cell-cell junctions of podocytes. Arrow indicates positive staining for ZO-1. Scale bar, 15 μm.



Figure S4. β-arrestin-1 is upregulated in various models of CKD. (A) Graphical representation shows the relative mRNA levels of β-arrestin-1 in control or ADR for 5 weeks as indicated. *P < 0.05 versus controls (n = 5). (B) Graphical representation shows the relative mRNA levels of β-arrestin-1 in control or angiotensin II infusion for 4 weeks as indicated. *P < 0.05 versus controls (n = 5-6).



Figure S5. Generation of conditional knockout mice with podocyte-specific ablation of CXCR4. (A) Genotyping of the mice by PCR analysis of genomic DNA. Lane 1 shows the genotyping of the control mice used in this study (genotype: $CXCR4^{fl/fl}$), whereas lane 2 denotes the genotyping of the podocyte-specific CXCR4 knockout mice (genotype: $CXCR4^{fl/fl}$ Cre), designated as podo-CXCR4 -/-. (B) Body weights of podo-CXCR4+/+ and podo-CXCR4+/- mice at 3 months of age. *P*=0.927 (n = 7). (C) Representative micrographs show PAS staining in podo-CXCR4+/+ and podo-CXCR4+/- mice in normal conditions. Scale bar, 20 µm.



Figure S6. Ablation of CXCR4 in podocytes reduces PAI-1 expression after ADR injury. Quantitative real-time RT-PCR (qRT-PCR) analyses show a reduced mRNA expression of PAI-1 in podo-CXCR4-/- mice at 2 weeks after ADR, compared to podo-CXCR4+/+ mice. *P < 0.05 (n = 5-6).

Mouse	Primer Sequence 5' to 3'			
gene	Forward	Reverse		
Cre recombinase	AGGTGTAGAGAAGGCACTTAGC	CTAATCGCCATCT TCCAGCAGG		
CXCR4	CCACCCAGGACAGTGTGACTCTAA	GATGGGATTTCTGTATGAGGATTAGC		
Wnt1	CGACTGATCCGACAGAACCC	AGCCTCGGTTGACGATCTTG		
Wnt2	GCTCTTGACCTGGCTCACCC	CAGGCCAATGGCACGCAT		
Wnt2b	GGAATGGATCCGAGAGTGCC	GATAGCGTGGACCACTCCTG		
Wnt3	CCTCGCTGGCTACCCAATTT	GCTGGGCATGATCTCGATGT		
Wnt3a	GAGGCCACGTTACACGTACC	ACCCATCTATGCCATGCGAG		
Wnt4	ATCTCTICAGCAGGTGTGGC	TGTTGTCCGAGCATCCTGAC		
Wnt5a	AGACCTCAGAGGGGATGGAC	TCTCCGTGCACTTCTTGCAT		
Wnt5b	GTGCAGAGACCGGAGATGTT	AGCTGTCTCTCGGATGTCCT		
Wnt6	TTCGGGGATGAGAAGTCAAG	CGGCACAGACAGTTCTCCTC		
Wnt7a	CGGACGCCATCATCGTCATA	CACTTTGAGCTCCTTCCCGA		
Wnt7b	TCCTCTACGTGAAGCTCGGA	TCCCCGATCACAATGATGGC		
Wnt8a	GCCTATCTGACCTACACCGC	GGATGTCTCTCTCGTGGCAG		
Wnt8b	ACTAGAAACTGCAGCCTCGG	CTCGAGGGCATCCACAAACT		
Wnt9a	AACCTCGTGGGTGTGAAGGT	TTGTGTTTTAGGTGCTTGCCC		
Wnt9b	CAGGTGCTGAAGCTACGCTA	CTTCCATGTAGACCAGGTCCC		
Wnt10a	GGTAAACTGAAGGCTTGCGG	AAGTATGGCCGGGTGTTCAG		
Wnt10b	CAAGACCGGCTTAGAGCCAA	TCCATGTCGTGGTTACAGCC		
Wnt11	ACTGTAAACAGCTGGAGGGC	CGATGGAGGAGCAGTTCCAG		
Wnt16	TACGGCATGTGGTTCAGCAG	GCGGCAGTCCACAGACATTA		
Fibronectin	CGAGGTGACAGAGACCACAA	CTGGAGTCAAGCCAGACACA		
COL3A1	AGGCAACAGTGGTTCTCCTG	GACCTCGTGCTCCAGTTAGC		
PAI-1	TGGAAAGAGCCAGATTTATCAT	GAAGTAGAGGGCATTCACCAG		
β-arrestin1	GGCGACAAAGGGACACGAG	GTGTCACGTAGACTCGCCTT		
β-actin	CAGCTGAGAGGGAAATCGTG	CGTTGCCAATAGTGATGACC		

Table S1. Nucleotide sequences of the primers used for qPCR

Antibodies	Catalogue	Company	Location		
	number				
Primary antibodies					
anti-CXCR4	sc-6190	Santa Cruz Biotechnology	Santa Cruz, CA		
anti-CXCR4	sc-53534	Santa Cruz Biotechnology	Santa Cruz, CA		
anti-CXCR4	ab2074	Abcam	Cambridge, MA		
anti-CXCR4	PA5-19856	Fisher Scientific	Pittsburgh, PA		
anti-SDF-1a	A00053-2	Boster Biological Technology	Wuhan, China		
anti-α-SMA	A2547	Sigma-Aldrich	St. Louis, MO		
anti-α-SMA	ab5694	Abcam	Cambridge, MA		
anti-active β -catenin	05-665	EMD Millipore	Billerica, MA		
anti-active β -catenin	#19807	Cell Signaling Technology	Danvers, MA		
anti-β-catenin	ab15180	Abcam	Cambridge, MA		
anti-β-catenin	#610154	BD Transduction Laboratories	San Jose, CA		
anti-MMP7	GTX32725	GeneTex	Irvine, CA		
anti-MMP7	GTX104658	GeneTex	Irvine, CA		
anti-nephrin	20R-NP002	Fitzgerald Industries International	Concord, MA		
anti-WT1	sc-192	Santa Cruz Biotechnology	Santa Cruz, CA		
anti-podocalyxin	AF1556	R&D Systems	Minneapolis, MN		
anti-fibronectin	F3648	Sigma-Aldrich	St. Louis, MO		
anti-ZO-1	61-7300	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Waltham, MA		
anti-β-arrestin1	12673s	Cell Signaling Technology	Danvers, MA		
anti-Snail1	ab82846	Abcam	Cambridge, MA		
anti-phospho-EGFR	sc-57542	Santa Cruz Biotechnology	Santa Cruz, CA		
anti-EGFR	sc-373746	Santa Cruz Biotechnology	Santa Cruz, CA		
anti-phospho-Src (Y418)	ab40660	Abcam	Cambridge, MA		
anti-Src	ab47405	Abcam	Cambridge, MA		
anti-phospho-GSK3β					
(Ser9)	93368	Cell Signaling Technology	Danvers, MA		
anti-GSK3β	9315s	Cell Signaling Technology	Danvers, MA		
anti-phospho-					
p44/42MAPK(ERK1/2)	4370s	Cell Signaling Technology	Danvers, MA		
(Thr202/Tyr204)					
anti-p44/42MAPK	0102-	Cell Signaling Technology	Danvers, MA		
(ERK1/2)	91028				
anti-p44/42MAPK	4605	Cell Signaling Technology	Danvers, MA		
(ERK1/2)	46938				
anti-α-tubulin	T9026	Sigma-Aldrich	St. Louis, MO		
anti-GAPDH	RM2002	Ray Antibody Biotech	Peachtree Corners, GA		

Table S2. The sources of antibodies used in this study

Secondary antibodies					
Goat anti-mouse	BA1050	Boster Biological Technology	Wuhan, China		
Goat anti-rabbit	BA1054	Boster Biological Technology	Wuhan, China		
Rabbit anti-goat	BA1060	Boster Biological Technology	Wuhan, China		
Goat anti-Guinea pig	106-001-003	Sigma-Aldrich	St. Louis, MO		
Biotin-SP AffiniPure Goat	115-065-146	Jackson Immuno Research	West Grove, PA		
Anti-Mouse lgG(H+L)		Laboratories			
Biotin-SP AffiniPure Goat	111-065-144	Jackson Immuno Research	West Grove, PA		
Anti-Rabbit IgG(H+L)		Laboratories			
Cy3-AffiniPure Goat	106-165-003	Jackson Immuno Research	West Grove, PA		
Anti-Guinea Pig IgG(H+L)		Laboratories			
Cy3-AffiniPureRabbit	305-165-003	Jackson Immuno Research	West Grove, PA		
Anti-Goat IgG(H+L)		Laboratories			
Cy2-AffiniPure Goat	111-225-144	Jackson Immuno Research	West Grove, PA		
Anti-Rabbit IgG(H+L)		Laboratories			
Cy3-AffiniPure Goat	111-165-003	Jackson Immuno Research	West Grove, PA		
Anti-Rabbit IgG(H+L)		Laboratories			
Cy2-AffiniPure Donkey	711-225-152	Jackson Immuno Research	West Grove, PA		
Anti-Rabbit IgG(H+L)		Laboratories			
Cy3-AffiniPure Donkey	715-165-150	Jackson Immuno Research	West Grove, PA		
Anti-Mouse IgG(H+L)		Laboratories			