## **Supplemental Figure Legends**

**Supplemental Figure 1:** Substitution of serines at position 348 and 350 does not affect the ability of caspase-8 to process caspase-9 in vitro. [<sup>35</sup>S]-labeled murine caspase-9 and mutants AEPD, LDGD and LDVD proteins were incubated in the absence or presence of active human recombinant caspase-8 *in vitro*. Cleavage reactions were resolved by SDS-PAGE, and the gels fixed, dried and autoradiographed.

**Supplemental Figure 2:** Autoprocessing of murine Caspase-9 is not affected by CK2 phosphorylation. A. Western blot of cold *in vitro* translated caspase-9 incubated with or without CK2 in kinase buffer (details in Materials and Methods) probed with polyclonal phosphoserine-specific antibodies (top panel), stripped and reprobed with a monoclonal caspase-9 antibody. B. Caspase-9 (5µl from 25µl of the cold kinase reaction) were incubated alone, with 50µg caspase-9 -/- cytosolic S100 extract (2), or with extract, plus 1mM ATP and 0.2µg cyt c in Buffer A (details in Materials and Methods) in a total volume of 35µl. Reactions were carried out for 1 hour at 30° C. Attenuated reactions were resolved by SDS/PAGE and western blotted using anti-caspase-9 antibody (Stressgen).

**Supplemental Figure 3.** Cells were exposed to 1 µM okadaic acid or DMSO for 30 minutes prior to TNF addition and cell death was determined by flow cytometric analysis of Annexin V and propidium iodide uptake at the indicated times.

**Supplemental Figure 4:** A. Purified recombinant CK2 phosphorylates murine but not human caspase-9 in vitro. *In vitro* translated mC-9 protein was immunoprecipitated with anti-caspase-9 antibody and incubated in kinase buffer in the presence or absence of purified CK2 (top panel). Auto-phosphorylation of the CK2 b-subunit is evident in both lanes. Lower panel shows IP/western of cold *in vitro* translated murine and human caspase-9 proteins. B. Alignment of mouse, rat, dog and human residues in the vicinity of the CK2 consensus motif (underlined). The absence of a negatively charged (acidic) residue at the putative +1 position makes the human sequence a poor CK2 substrate.

#### Supplemental Figure 1



#### **Supplemental Figure 2**



### Supplemental Figure 3





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AA 340	s	s	Q	G	R	T	L	D	s	D	S	E	Ρ	D	А	v	Ρ	Y	Q	Е	mouse
AA 340	s	s	Q	D	К	<u>A</u>	F	D	s	D	s	E	Ρ	D	A	v	Ρ	Y	Q	Ε	rat
AA 332	s	Ρ	Е	D	R	s	Ρ	G	s	D	s	E	Ρ	D	A	v	Ρ	F	Q	Е	dog
AA 302	s	Ρ	Е	D	Е	s	Р	G	s	Ν	Ρ	E	Ρ	D	A	т	Ρ	F	Q	Е	human