529	of ABCA1 concentration vs. PrP ^C shows a correlation of PrP ^C and ABCA1
530	concentrations ($R^2 = 0.5184$, $P = .0032$). <i>Abca1</i> specific siRNAs 1, 2, 3, 4, the siRNA
531	pool, and non specific siRNA are indicated by squares, triangles, circles, diamonds,
532	pentagons and inverted triangles. Filled and open symbols differentiate the two
533	experiments. (c) ScN2a cells were transfected with a non-specific siRNA (C), or four
534	siRNAs individually (#1-4) or pooled (P). Lysates were PK digested and analyzed in
535	Western blots using anti-PrP antibody. Lysates not treated with PK were used for anti-
536	ABCA1 and anti- β actin antibodies. A repeat of this experiment is shown in
537	Supplementary Figure S4. Four separate cultures of ScN2a cells were treated with
538	siRNA #3 and lysates immunoblotted with PrP, ABCA1, and ß-actin; the results are
539	shown in Supplementary Figure S5. (d) PrP^{Sc} and ABCA1 concentrations are correlated
540	$(R^2 = 0.4781, P < 0.0005)$. <i>Abca1</i> specific siRNAs 1, 2, 3, 4, the siRNA pool, and non-
541	specific siRNA are annotated by squares, triangles, circles, diamonds, pentagons and
542	inverted triangles. Filled, open, and shaded symbols differentiate the three sets of
543	experiments.

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545 Supplementary Figure Legends

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Fig. S1. PrP^C concentrations increase in proportion to 8-Br-c AMP-induced expression of
ABCA1. This is a repeat of the experiment shown in Fig.4a. N2a cells were untreated (C,
lane 1) or treated with the cAMP analogue 8-Br-cAMP at 1mM (lane 2), or 2 mM (lane
3). Cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblotting with anti-ABCA1, anti-PrP, and anti-βactin antibodies as indicated.

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553	Fig. S2. PrP ^{Sc} concentrations increase in proportion to 8-Br-c AMP-induced expression of
554	ABCA1. Two experiments identical to that shown in Fig. 4c are shown. Immunoblots of
555	lysates from untreated ScN2a cells (C, lane 1) or treated with cAMP analogue 8-Br-
556	cAMP at 0.25 mM (lane 2), 0.5 mM (lane 3), 1 mM (lane 4), or 2 mM (lane 5). Anti-
557	ABCA1, anti-PrP, and Anti-ß-actin, anti-Cav-1 antibodies were used for immunoblotting.
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559	Fig. S3. Levels of PrP ^C are reduced in proportion to ABCA1 knockdown by RNAi. This
560	is a repeat of the experiment shown in Fig. 5a. N2a cells were transfected with a non-
561	specific siRNA (C), a pool of Abcal-specific siRNAs (P), or four individual siRNA
562	probes targeting different regions in the Abca1 mRNA (#1-4). After 72 hr, cell lysates
563	were assayed in Western blots using anti-ABCA1, anti-Cav-1, and anti- β -actin
564	antibodies.
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566	Fig. S4. Levels of PrP ^{Sc} are reduced in proportion to ABCA1 knockdown by RNAi. This
567	is a repeat of the experiment shown in Fig. 5c. ScN2a cells were transfected with a non-
568	specific siRNA (C), or four siRNAs individually (#1-4) or pooled (P). Lysates were PK
569	digested and analyzed in Western blots using anti-PrP antibody. Lysates not treated with
570	PK were used for anti-ABCA1 and anti- β -actin antibodies.
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572	Fig. S5. ABCA1 knockdown by RNAi reduces PrP ^{Sc} levels. Four cultures of ScN2a cells

573 were treated with a non-specific siRNA (C) or ABCA1 siRNA probe #3 (#3). Lysates

574 were PK digested and analyzed in Western blots using anti-PrP antibody. Lysates not

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- 575 treated with PK were used for anti-ABCA1 and anti- β -actin antibodies. These results
- 576 together with those in Fig. 5c and Fig. S4 were used to demonstrate that levels of PrP^{Sc}
- 577 and ABCA1 are correlated (Fig. 5d).



Fig.S3







Fig.S5											
siRNAs: C #3		C	#3	С	#3	С	#3				
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20 kD	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	prpS(
15 kD	_			_	-	-	-	-			
220 kD	1	-	-	-	-	100		-	ABCA1		
45 kD	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	ß-actin		
22 kD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Cav-1		