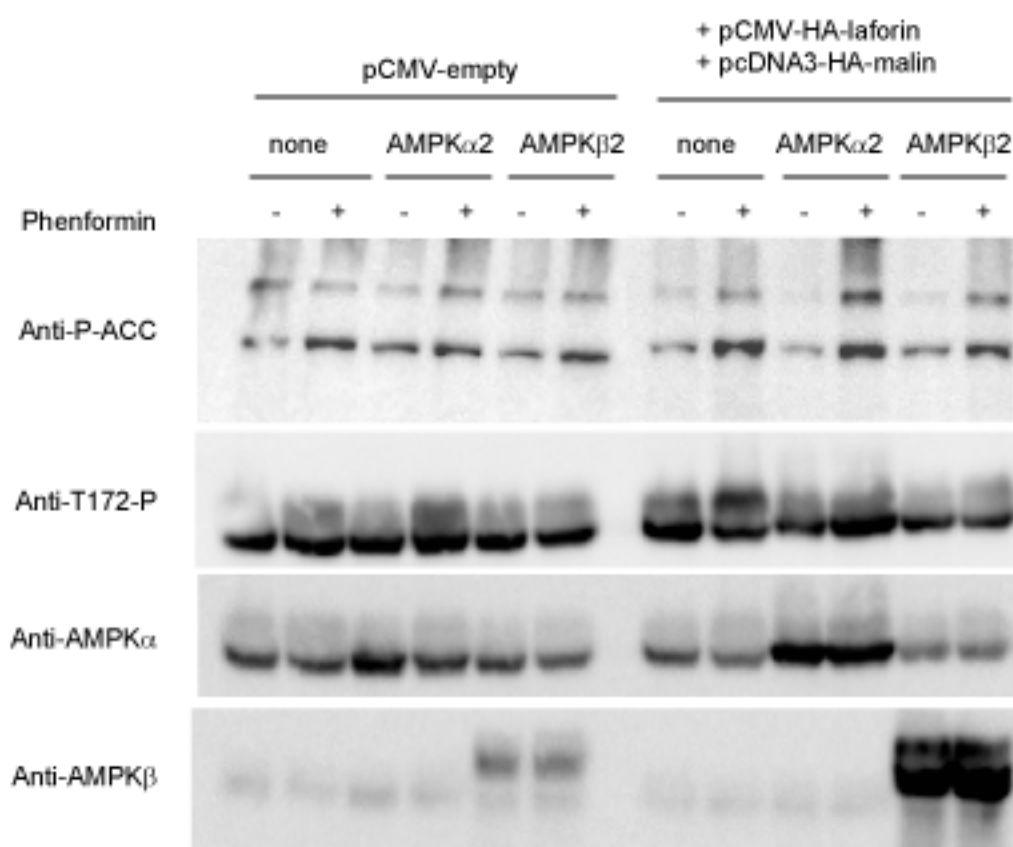
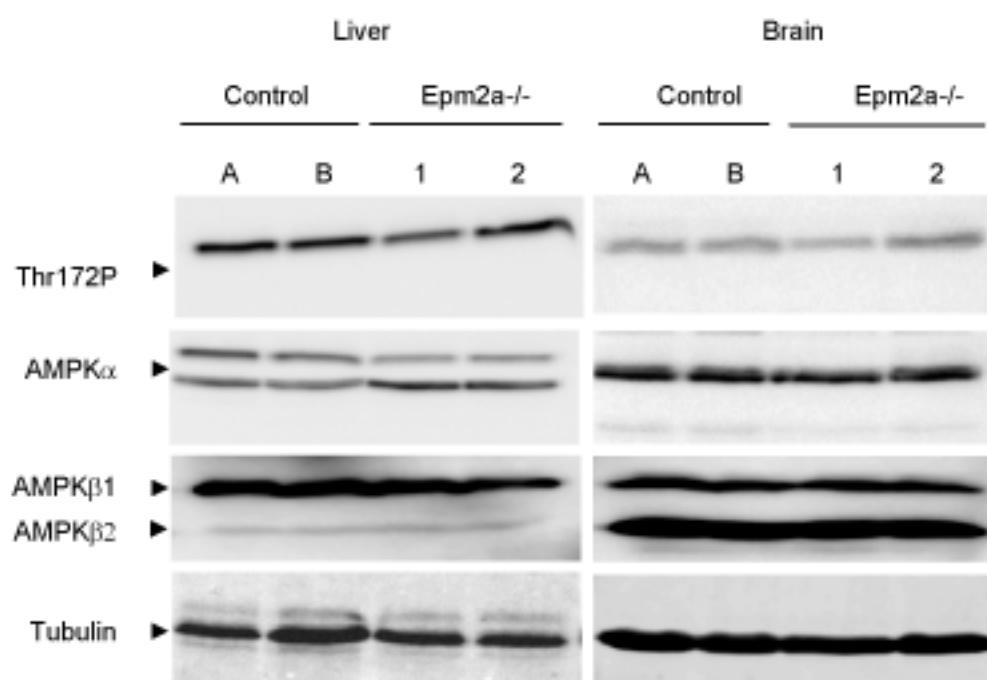


Supplementary Fig. S1: Analysis of the ubiquitination of AMPK α and β subunits by the laforin-malin complex. AMPK α 1 (A) and AMPK β 1 (C) are also substrates for laforin-malin dependent ubiquitination. HEK293 cells were transfected with plasmids pCMV-His6xUbiq, pCMV-AMPK α 1 or pCMV-AMPK β 1 with or without plasmids pCMV-HA-laforin and pcDNA3-HA-malin (L/M). Then, cell extracts were analyzed as in Fig. 1 using anti-AMPK α total (A) or anti-myc (C) antibodies. Mapping of the domains of AMPK α 2 (B) and AMPK β 2 (D) involved in the laforin-malin dependent ubiquitination. HEK293 cells were transfected with plasmid pCMV-His6xUbiq and the indicated combination of plasmids (myc- α 2: pCMVmyc-AMPK α 2; myc-KD: pCMVmyc-AMPK α 2 KD; myc-RD: pCMVmyc-AMPK α 2 RD; myc- β 2: pCMVmyc-AMPK β 2; myc-GBD: pCMVmyc-AMPK β 2 GBD; myc-ASC: pCMVmyc-AMPK β 2 ASC; L/M: pCMV-HA-laforin/pcDNA3-HA-malin). Cell extracts were analyzed as in Fig 1 using anti-myc antibodies.



Supplementary Fig. S2: The expression of laforin and malin does not affect the activity of AMPK complex. HEK293 cells were co-transfected with plasmid pCMVmyc-AMPK α 2, pCMVmyc-AMPK β 2 or pCMVmyc (none) and a combination or not of pCMV-HA-laforin and pcDNA3-HA-malin. After 24 hours of transfection, cells were treated or not with 5 mM phenformin for 1 hour. Cell extracts (25 μ g) were then analyzed by SDS-PAGE and Western blotting using the indicated antibodies. A representative Western blot is presented. Intensity of the P-ACC bands was measured and no statistically significant differences were found when comparing the cells transfected with the laforin/malin plasmids with the cells treated with an empty vector (n: 3).



Supplementary Fig. S3: Laforin deletion does not affect expression of endogenous AMPK α and AMPK β subunits or the regulation of AMPK α -Thr172 phosphorylation. Cell extracts (30 μ g) from liver and brain biopsies from two control (A and B) and two Epm2a^{-/-} mice lacking laforin (1 and 2), were obtained as in *Vernia et al. 2009; PLoS ONE e5907* and analyzed by Western blotting using anti-Thr172P, anti-AMPK α , anti-AMPK β and anti-Tubulin antibodies.