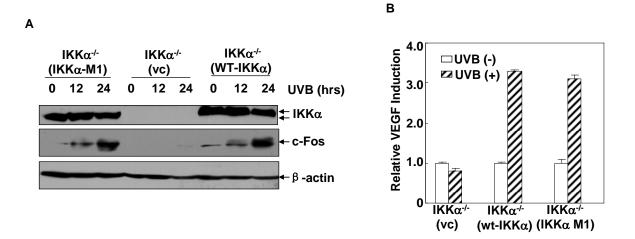
## Figure S1



**Figure S1: UVB induces c-Fos expression via IKKγ-independent manner.** (A) IKKαnull cells were transfected with the control vector, wild type IKKα or IKKα-M1 expression plasmids, respectively. 36 hrs after transfection, the cells were subjected to UVB irradiation (0.5 kJ/m<sup>2</sup>) and the induction of c-Fos expression was detected at the indicated time points after UVB exposure. (B) IKKα-null cells were transfected with the control vector, wild type IKKα or IKKα-M1 expression plasmids in combination with the VEGF luciferase reporter plasmid, respectively. 36 hrs after transfection, the cells were subjected to UVB irradiation (0.5 kJ/m<sup>2</sup>) and the VEGF luciferase activity was detected at 24 hrs after UVB exposure.

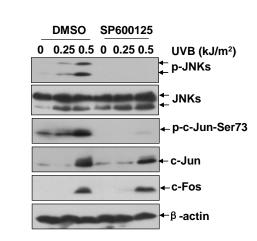


Figure S2

**Figure S2: JNKs are responsible for c-Jun activation, but not c-Fos expression in the UVB response.** WT MEFs were pretreated with SP600125, the specific JNK inhibitor, or its vehicle, followed by exposure to the different doses of UVB. Then the activation of c-Jun and the expression of c-Fos were determined at 12 hrs after UVB exposure.

## Figure S3

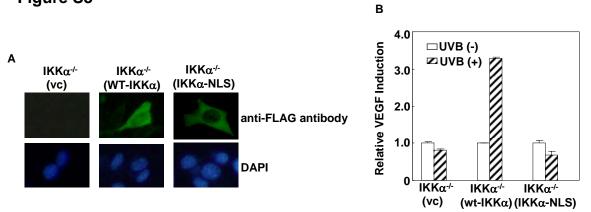


Figure S3: Nuclear localization of IKK $\alpha$  is critical for VEGF induction in the UVB response. (A) IKK $\alpha$ -null cells were transfected with the control vector, wild type IKK $\alpha$  or IKK $\alpha$ -NLS expression plasmids, respectively. 36 hrs after transfection, the cells were subjected to immunofluorescence assay to show that wt IKK $\alpha$  localized at both cytoplasm and nucleus; while IKK $\alpha$ -NLS was only cytoplasmic. (B) IKK $\alpha$ -null cells were transfected with the control vector, wild type IKK $\alpha$  or IKK $\alpha$ -NLS expression plasmids in combination with the VEGF luciferase reporter plasmid, respectively. 36 hrs after transfection, the cells were subjected to UVB irradiation (0.5 kJ/m<sup>2</sup>) and the VEGF luciferase activity was detected at 24 hrs after UVB exposure.