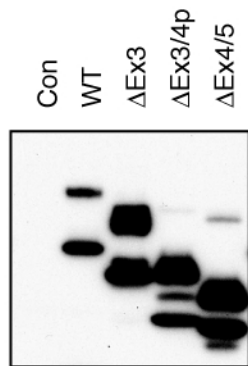
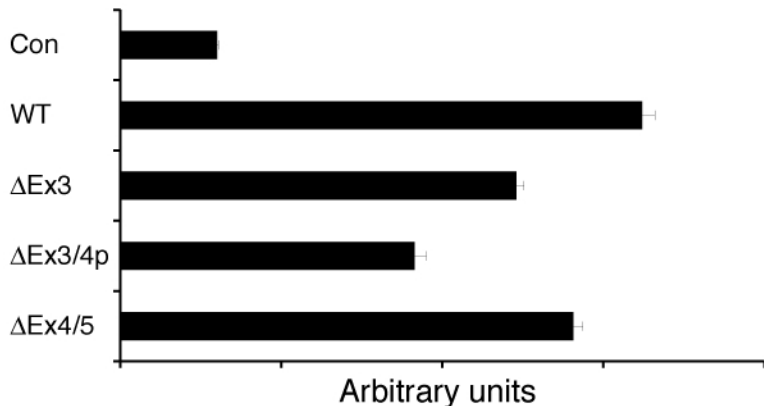


A



B



Supp. Figure 9. Amino acids encoded by IL-15R α exons 3, 4 and 5 are not necessary for its cleavage and release into the soluble phase. Naturally splice versions of IL-15R α that lacked exon 3, exon 3 and a 5' portion of exon 4 or exons 4 and 5 were co-expressed with IL-15 in 293HEK cells. We analyzed cell lysates by Western blotting (A) and supernatants by ELISA (B).