

# **Activin promotes skin carcinogenesis by attraction and reprogramming of macrophages**

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## **Appendix: Supplementary Information**

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**References**

**Appendix Table S1.** Genes significantly upregulated (FDR≤0.05, |log<sub>2</sub>Ratio|≥1,) in FACS-sorted skin macrophages in 2-3 genotype comparisons (wt/Act vs wt/wt, HPV8/Act vs HPV8/wt and HPV8/Act vs wt/wt), grouped in functional categories based on literature search.

| Functional category              | Gene name     | References  |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---|
| Adhesion/migration               | <i>Cx3cr1</i> | Goda <i>et al</i> , 2000  |
|                                  | <i>F11r</i>   | Gupta <i>et al</i> , 2000   |
|                                  | <i>Itgb5</i>  | de Nichilo and Yamada, 1996                                       |
|                                  | <i>Mmp14</i>  | Hara <i>et al</i> , 2011  |
|                                  | <i>Itgal</i>  | Henderson <i>et al</i> , 2001                                     |
|                                  | <i>Hck</i>    | Roach <i>et al</i> , 1997<br>Cougoule <i>et al</i> , 2010         |
| Cancer-associated                | <i>Cx3cr1</i> | Schmall <i>et al</i> , 2015                                       |
|                                  | <i>F11r</i>   | Pont <i>et al</i> , 2013  |
|                                  | <i>Spp1</i>   | Lin <i>et al</i> , 2015   |
|                                  | <i>Mmp14</i>  | Ager <i>et al</i> , 2015  |
|                                  | <i>C3</i>     | Markiewski <i>et al</i> , 2008;<br>Nunez-Cruz <i>et al</i> , 2012 |
|                                  | <i>Tgfbr1</i> | Byrne <i>et al</i> , 2008   |
|                                  | <i>Mmp12</i>  | Hofmann <i>et al</i> , 2005;<br>Qu <i>et al</i> , 2011            |
|                                  | <i>Havcr2</i> | Yan <i>et al</i> , 2015   |
| Angiogenesis                     | <i>F11r</i>   | Rabquer <i>et al</i> 2010   |
|                                  | <i>Spp1</i>   | Kale, 2014  |
|                                  | <i>Mmp14</i>  | Basile <i>et al</i> , 2007;<br>Littlepage <i>et al</i> , 2010     |
|                                  | <i>C3</i>     | Nozaki <i>et al</i> , 2006;<br>Nunez-Cruz <i>et al</i> , 2012     |
| Anti-microbial/effector function | <i>Ass1</i>   | Qualls <i>et al</i> , 2012  |
|                                  | <i>Tgtp2</i>  | MacMicking, 2004  |
|                                  | <i>Stat1</i>  | Spath <i>et al</i> , 2009   |
|                                  | <i>C3</i>     | Markiewski and Lambris, 2007                                      |
|                                  | <i>Hck</i>    | Nelson <i>et al</i> , 2009  |
|                                  | <i>Axl</i>    | Seitz <i>et al</i> , 2007   |
|                                  | <i>Mmp12</i>  | Houghton <i>et al</i> , 2009;<br>Marchant <i>et al</i> , 2014;    |
| Immunoregulatory                 | <i>Klra2</i>  | Gays <i>et al</i> , 2006  |
|                                  | <i>Lair1</i>  | Colonna <i>et al</i> , 1999                                       |

|  |                |                             |
|--|----------------|-----------------------------|
|  | <i>C3</i>      | Carroll, 2004               |
|  | <i>Clec12a</i> | Lahoud <i>et al</i> , 2009  |
|  | <i>Hck</i>     | English <i>et al</i> , 1993 |
|  | <i>Ly6e</i>    | Xu <i>et al</i> , 2014      |
|  | <i>Axl</i>     | Sharif <i>et al</i> , 2006  |
|  | <i>Tgfbr1</i>  | Takaki <i>et al</i> , 2006  |
|  | <i>Kcnn4</i>   | Kang <i>et al</i> , 2014    |
|  | <i>Mmp12</i>   | Bellac <i>et al</i> , 2014  |
|  | <i>Havcr2</i>  | Monney <i>et al</i> , 2002  |

FDR: false discovery rate

**Appendix Table S2.** Primers used for RT-PCR or qRT-PCR.

| Target gene          | Forward sequence (5'-3')   | Reverse sequence (5'-3')  |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>HPRT</i>          | tgacactggcaaaacaatgca      | ggtcctttcaccagcaagct      |
| <i>INHBA/Inhba</i> * | ggagaacgggtatgtggaga       | acaggtcactgccttccttg      |
| <i>Gapdh</i>         | tctggatctgacgtgccgcctg     | caccaccctgttgctgtagccgtat |
| <i>Fst</i>           | agggaaagtgtatcaciaaagt     | gagttgcaagatccagaatg      |
| <i>E6 of HPV8</i>    | gcaggactgttcagtaccgtgcaac  | acggcctctcccacagcaatct    |
| <i>Rps29</i>         | ggtcaccagcagctctacg        | gtccaactaatgaagcctatgtcc  |
| <i>Cxcl10</i>        | gggtctgagtgaggactcaaggat   | ccatccatcgcagcaccggg      |
| <i>Ccl19</i>         | gtcggagcctcggcctctca       | ccccagagttggggctggga      |
| <i>Ccl22</i>         | ccgcaagcctggcggtgtttg      | ggcgtcgttggaaggctct       |
| <i>Arg1</i>          | cttaaagaaacagagtatgacgtgag | ctggttgtcaggggagtggt      |
| <i>Cx3cr1</i>        | cctgcctctgagaaatggag       | atctctccagcccctgaaat      |
| <i>Spp1</i>          | tgcagttctcctggctgaat       | ctttcaccgggaggggagga      |
| <i>Ccl17</i>         | acagtcagaaacacgatggca      | tgctcgagccaccaatgtag      |
| <i>Mpp12</i>         | aaagtggggctttaaggga        | gttgcccagttgcttctagc      |

\* the same primers were for used for the detection of human *INHBA* and mouse *Inhba* transcripts.

**Appendix Table S3.** Antibodies used for immunostaining.

| <b>Antibody</b>                               | <b>Source</b>                           | <b>Catalog No.</b> |
|---|---|--------------------|
| <b>Primary</b>                                |   |                    |
| Anti-Activin                                  | R&D Systems,<br>Minneapolis, MN         | AF338              |
| Anti-BrdU-FITC                                | Roche, Rotkreuz,<br>Switzerland         | 1202693            |
| Anti-CD206                                    | R&D Systems                             | AF2535             |
| Anti-CD31-biotin                              | Biolegend, San Diego,<br>CA             | 102504             |
| Anti-CD68-biotin                              | Serotec, Raleigh, NC                    | MCA1957B           |
| Anti-Foxp3-biotin                             | eBioscience, San<br>Diego, CA           | 13-5773-80         |
| Anti-Keratin14                                | BAbCo, Richmond, CA                     | PRB-155P           |
| Anti-LYVE1                                    | AngioBio, San Diego,<br>CA              | 11-034             |
| Anti-Osteopontin                              | R&D Systems,<br>Franklin Lakes, NJ      | AF808-SP           |
| Anti-Panendothelial Cell<br>Antigen (MECA-32) | BD Biosciences, San<br>Jose, CA         | 553849             |
| Anti-TcR $\beta$                              | eBioscience                             | 14-5961-82         |
| Anti-TcR $\delta$ -FITC                       | BD Biosciences                          | 553177             |
| <b>Secondary</b>                              |   |                    |
| Anti-goat-Cy2                                 | Jackson Laboratories,<br>Bar Harbor, MN | 705-225-003        |
| Anti-goat-HRP                                 | DAKO, Glostrup,<br>Denmark              | 0449               |
| Anti-hamster-Cy3                              | Jackson Lab.                            | 127-165-160        |
| Anti-rabbit-Cy2                               | Jackson Lab.                            | 111-165-003        |
| Anti-rat-Cy3                                  | Jackson Lab.                            | 712-165-150        |
| Streptavidin-Cy3                              | BioLegend                               | 405215             |

**Appendix Table S4.** Antibodies used for flow cytometry.

| <b>Antibody</b>          | <b>Source</b>  | <b>Catalog No.</b> |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Anti-CCR3-PE             | R&D Systems    | FAB729P            |
| Anti-CD11b-BV711         | BioLegend      | 101242             |
| Anti-CD16/CD32           | BD Biosciences | 553141             |
| Anti-CD25-APC            | eBioscience    | 17-0251            |
| Anti-CD3-APC             | BD Biosciences | 553066             |
| Anti-CD3-PE              | BD Biosciences | 553064             |
| Anti-CD3-PE-CF594        | BD Biosciences | 562332             |
| Anti-CD4-FITC            | eBioscience    | 11-0041            |
| Anti-CD45-AlexaFluor 700 | BioLegend      | 103128             |
| Anti-CD45-APC            | eBioscience    | 17-0451            |
| Anti-CD45-PB             | BioLegend      | 103126             |
| Anti-CD45-PE-Cy7         | BioLegend      | 103114             |
| Anti-CD45R/B220-FITC     | BD Biosciences | 553088             |
| Anti-CD49b-PE            | BD Biosciences | 553858             |
| Anti-CD64-APC            | BioLegend      | 139305             |
| Anti-CD64-BV421          | BioLegend      | 139309             |
| Anti-CD69-PE             | eBioscience    | 12-0691            |
| Anti-CD8a-PE             | eBioscience    | 12-0081            |
| Anti-F4/80-AlexaFluor488 | BioLegend      | 123120             |
| Anti-F4/80-BV421         | BioLegend      | 123132             |
| Anti-F4/80-PE            | eBioscience    | 12-4801            |
| Anti-Ly6C-PerCP-Cy5.5    | BioLegend      | 127616             |
| Anti-Ly6G-FITC           | BD Biosciences | 551460             |
| Anti-MerTK-PE            | R&D Systems    | FAB5912P           |
| Anti-MHCII-BV510         | BD Biosciences | 107635             |
| Anti-TcR $\beta$ -APC    | eBioscience    | 17-5961            |
| Anti-TcR $\beta$ -PE     | eBioscience    | 12-5961            |
| Anti-TcR $\delta$ -FITC  | BD Biosciences | 553177             |

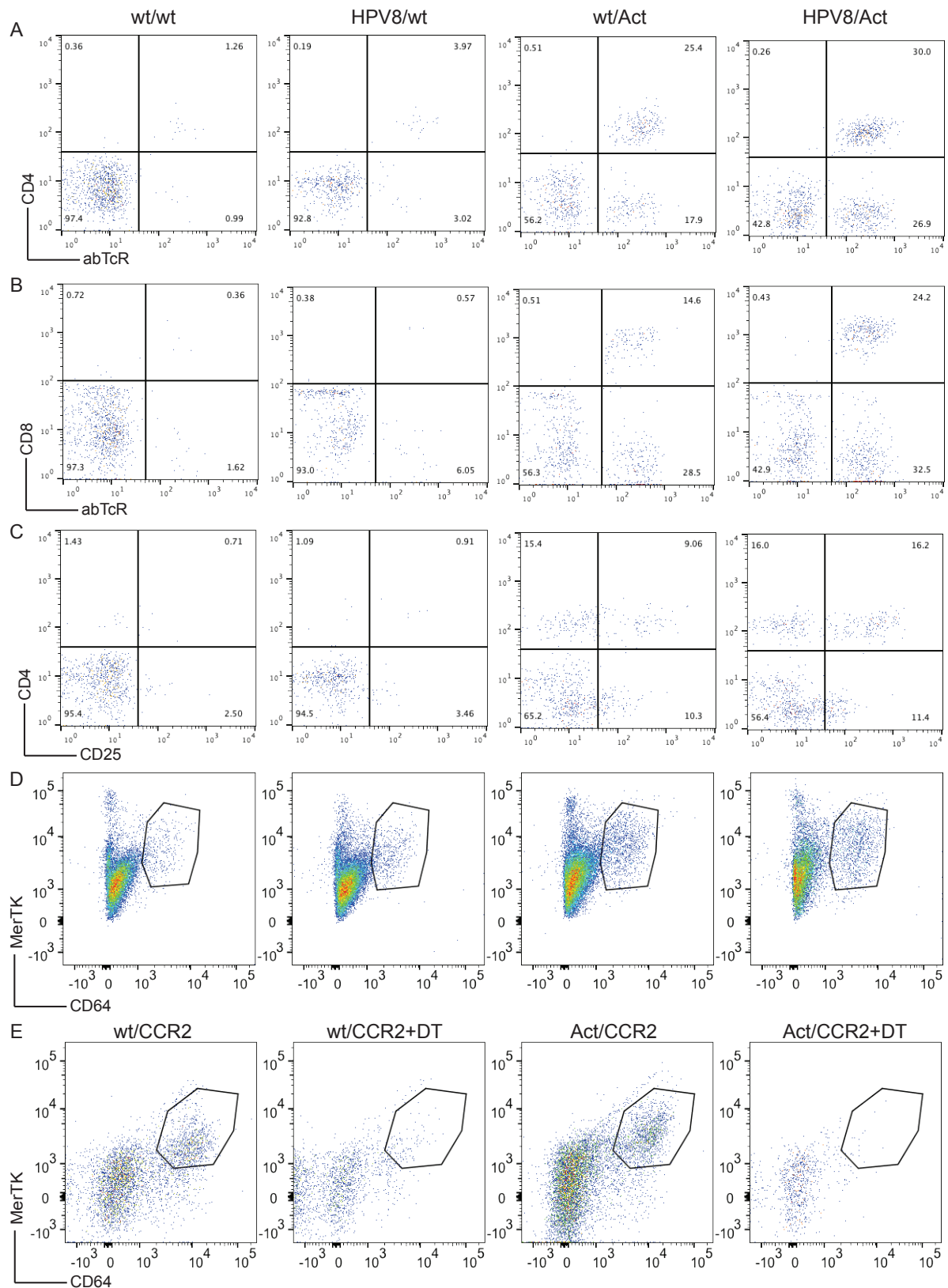
**Appendix Table S5.** GEO datasets and sample accession numbers of the published microarrays that were used to generate gene sets for GSEA. Complete gene sets, mapped gene set sizes, ranked gene lists, and GSEA reports can be found in dataset EV4.

| <b>Description</b>   | <b>GEO Datasets &amp; Samples</b>   | <b>Number of Genes in Sets</b>  |
|--|---|---|
| Murine mammary tumor-associated macrophages <i>versus</i> mammary tissue macrophages           | Series: GSE56755 (Franklin <i>et al</i> , 2014)                                   | Generated via GEO2Enrichr, Characteristic Direction method                        |
|  | TAM (“tumor associated macrophages, CD11blo”): GSM1368200, GSM1368201, GSM1368202 | Up in TAM:<br>238 top genes   |
|  | Control (“mammary tissue macrophages, CD11bhi”): GSM1368198, GSM1368199           | Down in TAM:<br>262 bottom genes  |
| Murine late-stage breast tumor-associated macrophages <i>versus</i> splenic tissue macrophages | Series: GSE18404 (Ojalvo <i>et al</i> , 2009)                                     | Generated via GEO2R, Default method using Benjamini & Hochberg p-value adjustment |
|  | TAM (“tumor-associated macrophages”): GSM458919, GSM458920, GSM458921, GSM458922  | Up in TAM:<br>236 top genes   |
|  | Control (“splenic macrophages”): GSM458923, GSM458924, GSM458925, GSM458926       | Down in TAM:<br>236 bottom genes  |
| Murine bone marrow tumor-associated macrophages <i>versus</i> bone marrow tissue macrophages   | Series: GSE57785 (Galletti <i>et al</i> , 2016)                                   | Generated via GEO2Enrichr, Characteristic Direction method                        |
|  | TAM (“Monocytes/macrophages With MEC1 21d”): GSM1388466, GSM1388467, GSM1388468   | Up in TAM:<br>240 top genes   |
|  | Control (“Monocytes/macrophages No MEC1 21d”): GSM1388463, GSM1388464, GSM1388465 | Down in TAM:<br>260 bottom genes  |
| Human Actinic Keratosis (AK)   | Series: GSE2503 (Nindl <i>et al</i> , 2006)                                       | Generated via GEO2R, Default method using Benjamini                               |

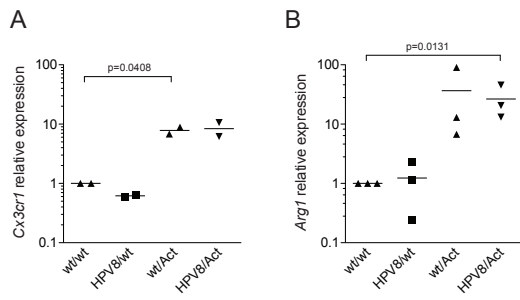
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| versus normal skin (NS)  |  | & Hochberg p-value adjustment  |
|  | AK ("cDNA ak"): GSM47612, GSM47613, GSM47614, GSM47615   | Up in AK:<br>234 top genes   |
|  | NS ("cDNA no"): GSM47616, GSM47617, GSM47618, GSM47619   | Down in AK:<br>174 bottom genes  |
| Human Actinic Keratosis (AK) versus normal skin (NS)   | Series: GSE63107   | Generated via GEO2R, Default method using Benjamini & Hochberg p-value adjustment  |
|  | AK ("involved skin-pretreatment"): GSM1541373, GSM1541378, GSM1541383, GSM1541388, GSM1541393, GSM1541398  | Up in AK: 394 top genes  |
|  | NS ("uninvolved skin-pretreatment"): GSM1541371, GSM1541376, GSM1541381, GSM1541386, GSM1541391, GSM1541396  | Down in AK: 61 bottom genes  |
| Monocytes sorted from human peripheral blood, differentiated into macrophages and differentially activated <i>in vitro</i> | Series: GSE46903 (Xue <i>et al</i> , 2014)   | Calculated from Table S1D:<br>IFNg/control > 1.20:<br>78 top genes<br>IL4/control > 1.20:<br>36 top genes<br>TNF/control > 1.20:<br>79 top genes<br>LPS/control > 1.20:<br>120 top genes |
|  | Data taken directly from Supplementary Table S1:<br>IFNg: M_GMCSF_IFN $\gamma$ _72h<br>IL4: M_GMCSF_IL4_72h<br>TNF: M_GMCSF_TNF_72h<br>LPS: M_GMCSF_sLPS_72h<br>Control:<br>M_GMCSF_baseline_72h |  |
| Human macrophage versus monocyte, dendritic cell, T cell signatures  | Series: GSE46903 (Xue <i>et al</i> , 2014)   | Generated via GEO2R, Default method using Benjamini & Hochberg p-value adjustment  |
|  | Macrophage: GSM numbers associated with "M_GMCSF_baseline_0h"  | Monocyte vs macrophage:<br>95 top genes  |
|  | Monocyte: GSM numbers associated with "Monocyte_CD14+"   | Dendritic cell vs macrophage:<br>210 top genes   |
|  | Dendritic cell: GSM numbers associated with "DC_imm"   | T-cell vs macrophage:<br>163 top genes   |
|  |  | Macrophages vs monocyte, dendritic cell, T-cell:   |

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|  | T cell: GSM numbers associated with "Tconv" and "Treg" | 97 top genes (shared by at least two comparisons of macrophage vs other cell type) |
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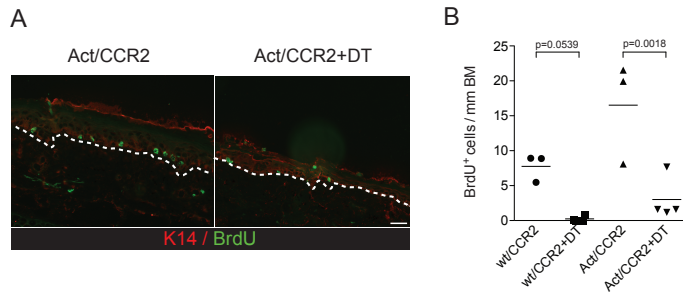


**Appendix Fig S1. Original flow cytometry data.** Representative flow cytometry scatter plots for quantified data shown in Fig 2D-F (A-C), Fig 3C (D), and Fig 3E (E).



**Appendix Fig S2. Activin induces expression of *Cx3cr1* and *Arg1* in skin macrophages *in vivo***

(A, B) Expression of *Cx3cr1* (A) and *Arg1* (B) relative to *Rps29* was analyzed by qRT-PCR in F4/80<sup>+</sup>CD11b<sup>+</sup> cells, FACS-sorted in 3 additional independent experiments from pools of 2-6 mice. Expression in one of the wt/wt samples was set to 1. N=2 for all groups in (A); N=3 for all groups in (B). One-sample t test was performed after log-transformation of expression data.



**Appendix Fig S3. Macrophage depletion in Act/CCR2 mice reduces keratinocyte proliferation**

(A) Representative pictures of anti-BrdU (green) and anti-K14 (red) stained cryosections of ear skin from 12 weeks old Act/CCR2 mice, untreated (control) or treated with diphtheria toxin (+DT) 3 times every 48h and analyzed 24h after the last injection. Scale bar: 50 $\mu$ m. Quantification of BrdU+ keratinocytes per mm of basement membrane is shown in (B). N=3 control mice; N=4 DT-injected mice. Statistical significance was performed using 1-way ANOVA and Bonferroni's Multiple Comparison test.

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