

***Long noncoding RNA LINC00305 promotes inflammation by activating the AHRR-NF- $\kappa$ B pathway in human monocytes***

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**Supplementary Table 1. The primers used for vector construction.**

<i>Linc00305</i>	forward	CCGGAATTCAATGATGGACTCTGATTCCAC
	reverse	GCTCTAGAAAAGTTAAACAAATGTTTAATAGGA
<i>LIMR</i>	forward	GAATTCGCCACCATGGAAGCACCTGACTACG
	reverse	TCTAGATCACTGGTGTGGGTCTT
<i>AHRR</i>	forward	CCGGAATTCGCCACCATGCCGAGGACGATGATCC
	reverse	TGCTCTAGACTATGGCAGGAATGTGCACC

**Supplementary Table 2. The primers used in RT-qPCR and RIP assays.**

<i>Linc00305</i>	forward	TCAGCAGCCTTCTGGTTTATCA
	reverse	TCCTTGCTTCCTCAGGTCTCT
<i>GAPDH</i>	forward	CATGAGAAGTATGACAACAGCCT
	reverse	AGTCCTTCCACGATACCAAAGT
<i>ACTB</i>	forward	CACCCAGCACAATGAAGATC
	reverse	GTCATAGTCCGCCTAGAAGC
<i>IL1<math>\alpha</math></i>	forward	GGTTGAGTTTAAGCCAATCCATC
	reverse	CACATTGCTCAGGAAGCTAAAAG
<i>IL1<math>\beta</math></i>	forward	GGGACAGGATATGGAGCAACA
	reverse	TATCATCTTTCAACACGCAGGAC
<i>IL6</i>	forward	ACTCACCTCTTCAGAACGAATTG
	reverse	CCATCTTTGGAAGGTTTCAGGTTG
<i>IL8</i>	forward	ACTGAGAGTGATTGAGAGTGGAC
	reverse	AACCCTCTGCACCCAGTTTTTC
<i>IL18</i>	forward	TCTTCATTGACCAAGGAAATCGG
	reverse	TCCGGGGTGCATTATCTCTAC
<i>TNF<math>\alpha</math></i>	forward	CCTCTCTCTAATCAGCCCTCTG
	reverse	GAGGACCTGGGAGTAGATGAG
<i>MMP9</i>	forward	CTGGGCAGATTCCAAACCTT
	reverse	CGGCAAGTCTTCCGAGTAGTT
<i>CD14</i>	forward	TGAGCTGGACGATGAAGATTTC
	reverse	ACGCGCTTTAGAAACGGCT
<i>Calponin</i>	forward	GTCAACCCAAAATTGGCACCA
	reverse	ACCTTGTTTCCTTTCGTCTTCG
<i>SM-MHC</i>	forward	CATCTACTCGGAGAAGATCGTTCG
	reverse	CGCCTGTGCATAGAATGGACT
<i>Smoothelin</i>	forward	GGGATCGTGTCCACAAGTTCA
	reverse	GCTACTCCTCGTTGCTCCTT
<i>SERPINB2</i>	forward	TTAATTCCTGGGTCAAGACTCAAAC
	reverse	AGTAGACAGCATTACCAGGACC
<i>SERPINB4</i>	forward	CAGCATTAGGGATGGTCCCTCTTA

	reverse	TGCAGCTTTTTCTGTGGTGTTT
<i>SERPIN8</i>	forward	AATGACTGGGTGTCGGAAAAAA
	reverse	AACTGAGCCTTCCACTTCCCTT
<i>SERPIN10</i>	forward	GCCAATGCGATATATGGAGAGA
	reverse	CCACAAAGTTAACAGGCTGAGG
<i>VPS4B</i>	forward	CCTCTGATCTTGTCTTAAGTGGCT
	reverse	CATCAATGAAGATAATGGAGGGCT
<i>KDSR</i>	forward	TCTATTAATGACAAACAGGTGGTGC
	reverse	ACCCAGTTTCTCCTGTGCTTGT
<i>Bcl2</i>	forward	GGTGGGGTCATGTGTGTGG
	reverse	CGGTTTCAGGTAATCAGTCATCC

**Supplementary Table 3. Antibodies used in western blot, ChIP, RIP, IP and immunostaining assays.**

Protein	Producer	Catalog number	Origin
IKK $\beta$	Abcam	32135	Rabbit
phosphorylated IKK $\beta$	Abcam	59195	Rabbit
P65	Abcam	7970	Rabbit
phosphorylated P65	Abcam	86299	Rabbit
P50	Abcam	7971	Rabbit
LIMR	Abcam	103458	Rabbit
AHRR	Abcam	108518	Rabbit
AHR	Abcam	153744	Rabbit
His	Cell Signaling Technology	12698	Rabbit
HA	Abcam	9110	Rabbit
GAPDH	Cell Signaling Technology	5174	Mouse
IgG	Santa Cruz Biotechnology	sc-2027	Rabbit

**Supplementary Table 4. Primers used in ChIP assay.**

<i>IL1<math>\alpha</math></i> promoters	forward	TACTGAATGATAGCACGTTTGAGG
	reverse	AGTCTCTTATCACCACCAACACCA
<i>IL1<math>\beta</math></i> promoters	forward	GTGTGTCTTCCACTTTGTCCCA
	reverse	AATCGTTGTGCAGTTGATGTCC
<i>IL6</i> promoters	forward	AACTTCGTGCATGACTTCAGCTT
	reverse	AGCAGAACCACTCTTCCTTTACTTT
<i>IL8</i> promoters	forward	ATCTTGTTCTAACACCTGCCACTC
	reverse	CTCCACAATTTGGTGAATTATCAA
<i>IL18</i> promoters	forward	GGGGAAGTCTGAATGAGGTTAT
	reverse	CCTGGTCACACTTCAGCACAA
<i>TNF<math>\alpha</math></i> promoters	forward	CATTATGAGTCTCCGGGTCAGA

	reverse	GGCTTGAGGCCTCAGGAAA
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**Supplementary Table 5. General information of the enrolled atherosclerosis patients (AS, N=17) and normal controls (N=9) who provide the atherosclerotic plaques or artery samples for the RT-PCR analysis of *LINC00305* expression in Figure 2A.**

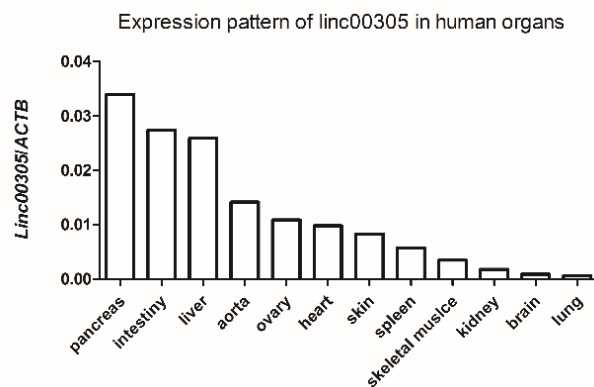
Gender	Age	Diagnosis
Male	87	Normal
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Male	64	Normal
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Female	73	Normal
Male	57	AS
Male	64	AS
Male	59	AS
Male	53	AS
Male	54	AS
Male	71	AS
Female	74	AS
Female	74	AS
Female	73	AS
Male	62	AS
Male	59	AS
Male	60	AS
Male	59	AS
Male	64	AS
Male	51	AS
Male	56	AS
Male	61	AS

**Supplementary Table 6. General information of the atherosclerosis patients and normal controls who provide blood samples for the RT-PCR analysis of *LINC00305* expression in the peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMC) (AS, N=7; normal control, N=9) or in the magnetically enriched CD14<sup>+</sup> monocytes (normal, N=5) in Figure 2B-C.**

Gender	Age	Diagnosis
Male	68	AS

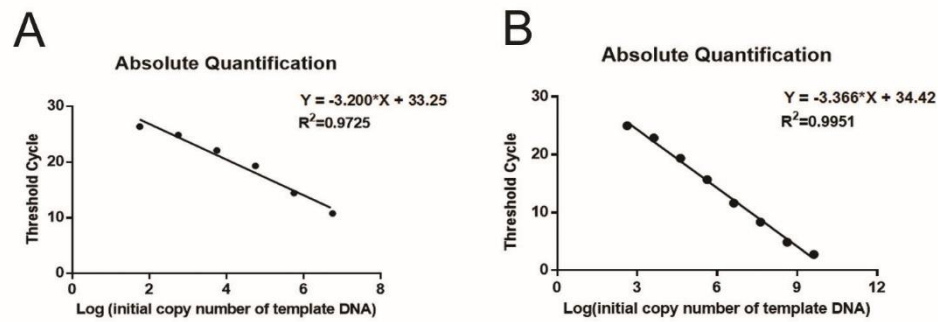
Male	60	AS
Male	40	AS
Male	37	AS
Male	62	AS
Male	71	AS
Male	54	AS
Male	35	Normal
Male	58	Normal
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Male	31	Normal
Male	32	Normal
Male	62	Normal
Male	36	Normal
Male	33	Normal
Male	62	Normal
Male (CD14)	37	Normal
Male (CD14)	42	Normal
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Male (CD14)	53	Normal
Male (CD14)	53	Normal

**Figure S1**



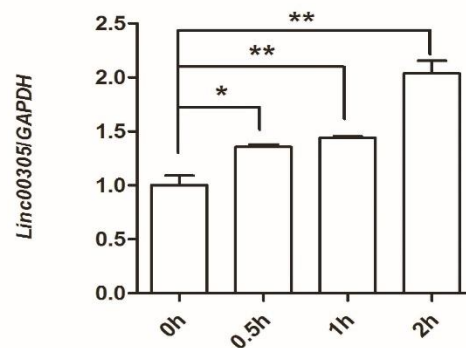
**Supplementary Figure 1. The expression of *LINC00305* in different human organs.** Quantitative RT-PCR analysis of *LINC00305* in various human organs showed lower expression compare to that in the atherosclerotic plaques (Fig. 2A). The relative mRNA expression levels of mRNA were normalized to the *ACTB* internal control.

Figure S2



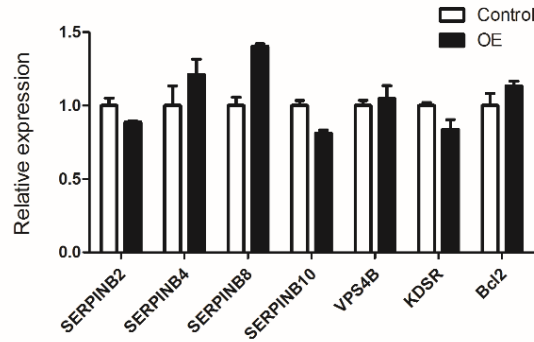
Supplementary Figure 2. Standard curves for the Real-Time RT-PCR quantification of (A) human *GAPDH* and (B) human *LINC00305* expression.

Figure S3



Supplementary Figure 3. *LINC00305* is upregulated in LPS-stimulated THP-1 cells. *LINC00305* expression in THP-1 cells stimulated with 0.1 µg/ml LPS for the indicated periods of time was detected by real-time RT-PCR. *GAPDH* is used as the internal control, and the level of *LINC00305* expression in unstimulated THP-1 cells was set as “1”. \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$  vs. the indicated group.

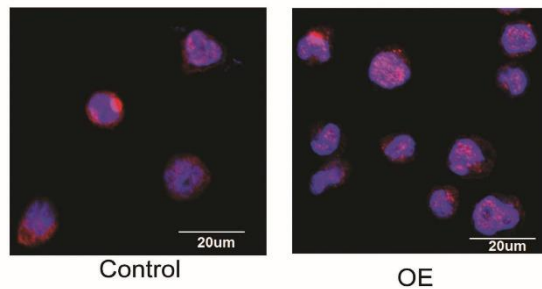
**Figure S4**



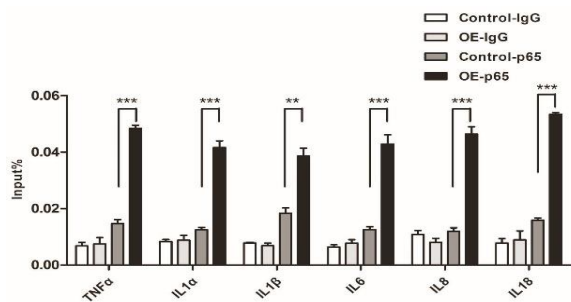
**Supplementary Figure 4. Overexpression of *LINC00305* does not significantly affect the transcription of neighboring genes.** QRT-PCR analysis of genes adjacent to the *LINC00305* locus in THP-1 cells stably expressing *LINC00305* (OE) or the control vector (Control) (Refs to Fig.3A upper panel for the degree of overexpression). Some neighboring genes are undetectable in the cells and are not shown here. Gene expression levels in the control group were designated a value of 1.0, and *GAPDH* was used as an internal control. Data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  sem of 3 independent experiments.

**Figure. S5**

**A**



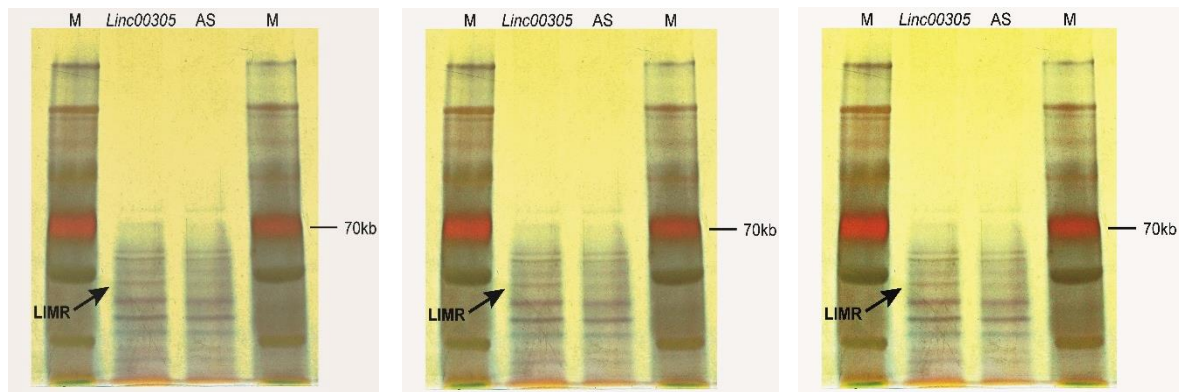
**B**



**Supplementary Figure 5. *LINC00305* promotes inflammation by activating NF- $\kappa$ B in THP-1 cells.**

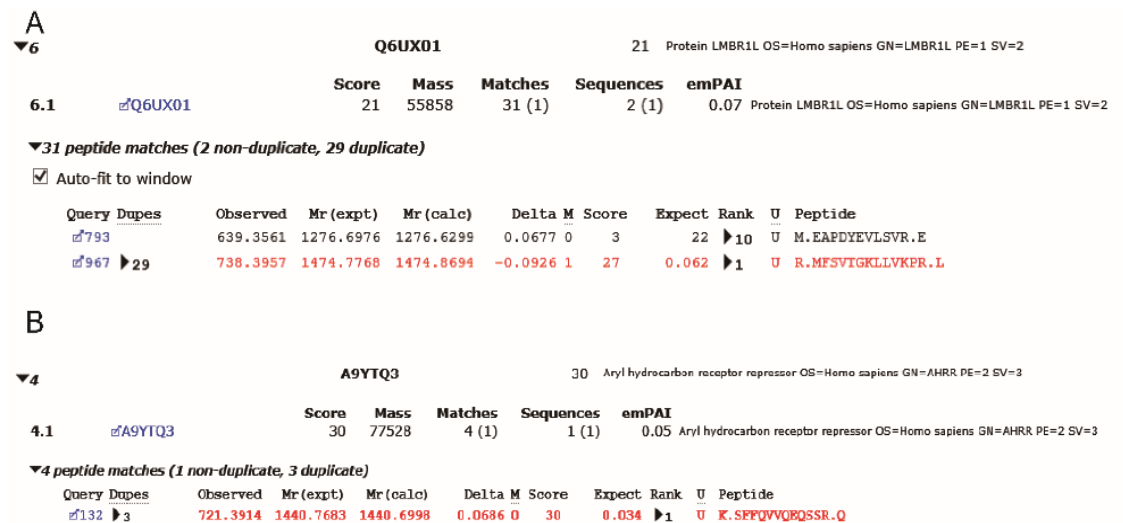
**(A)** Representative images of immunofluorescence assays evaluating p65 localization in THP-1 cells stably expressing *LINC00305* (OE) or the control vector (Control). **(B)** Chromatin immunoprecipitation (ChIP) assays evaluating p65 binding to the promoters of the indicated cytokine genes in THP-1 cells stably expressing *LINC00305* (OE) or the control vector (Control). Data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  sem of 3 replicate experiments. \*\* $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.001$  vs. the indicated group.

Figure. S6



Supplementary Figure 6. Different levels of exposure of the silver staining in Figure 5A. Increased level of contrast is used from the left to the right.

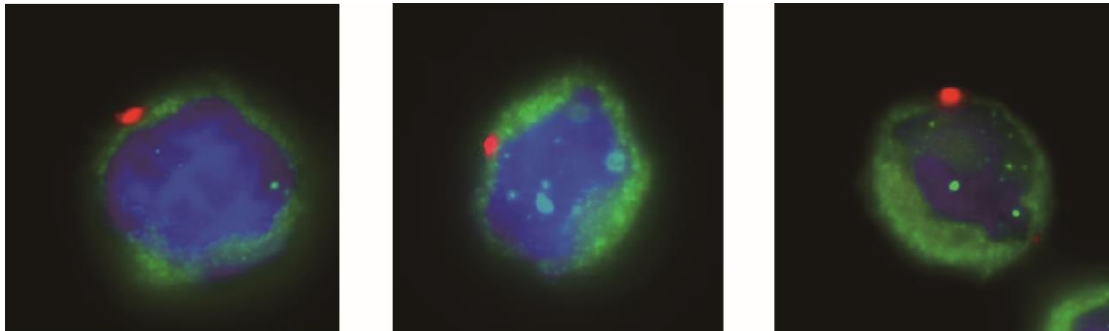
Figure. S7



Supplementary Figure 7. Mass spectrometry analysis of (A) the *LINC00305*-specific binding protein captured by a RNA pull-down assay in THP-1 cells and (B) the LIMR-interacting protein captured by a GST pull-down assay in THP-1 cells.

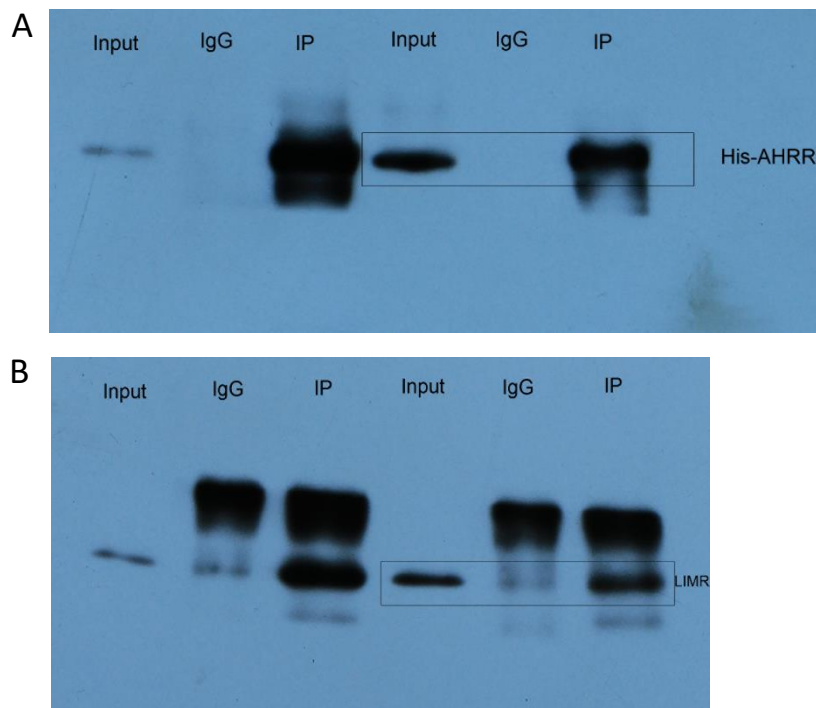


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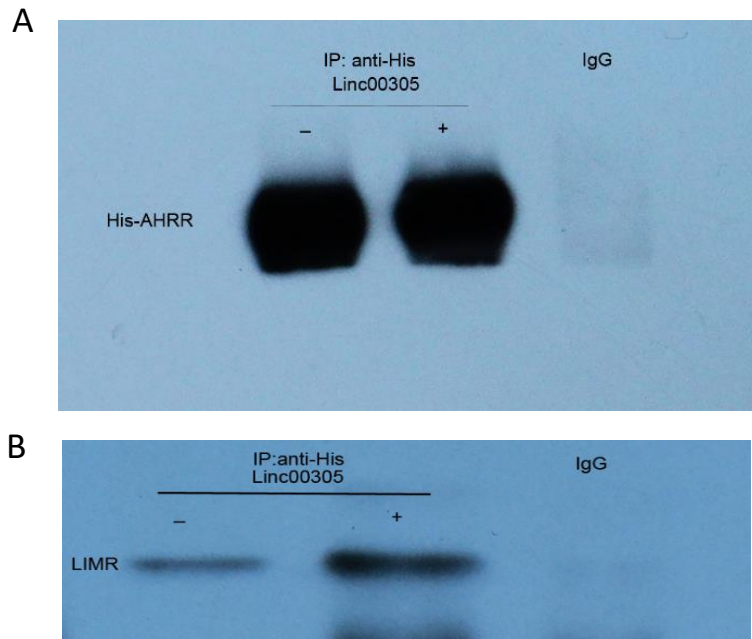
**Supplementary Figure 8. *LINC00305* and LIMR co-localize in THP-1 cells.** Representative images of THP-1 cells demonstrating the overlap of the *LINC00305* RNA-FISH signal (red) and the LIMR signal (green). DAPI staining of the cell nucleus is indicated in blue.

**Figure. S9**



**Supplementary Figure 9. The full-length blots to the co-IP analysis shown in Figure 5D.** (A) Analysis with anti-His antibody. (B) Analysis with anti-LIMR antibody. For each antibody, two replicates of Input sample and the precipitated proteins were loaded. Rectangles indicate the cropped regions shown in Figure 5D.

**Figure. S10**



**Supplementary Figure 10. The full-length blots to the co-IP analysis shown in Figure 5E. (A) Analysis with anti-His antibody. (B) Analysis with anti-LIMR antibody.**