## **Supplementary Information**

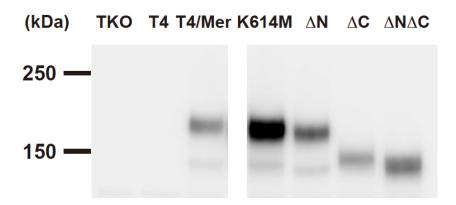


Figure S1. Establishment of TKO transformants expressing MerTK or its mutants with Tim4. TKO cells were transformed with wild-type MerTK or its indicated mutant (K614M,  $\Delta$ N,  $\Delta$ C, or  $\Delta$ N $\Delta$ C), together with Tim4. The expression of MerTK was analyzed by western blotting with anti-MerTK.

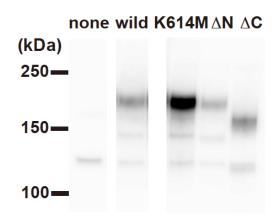


Figure S2. Establishment of Ba/F3 cell transformants expressing wild-type or mutant MerTKs. Mouse Ba/F3 cells expressing mouse Tim4 were transformed by wild-type or the indicated MerTK

mutants ( $\Delta N$ ,  $\Delta C$ , or K614F). Cell lysates were prepared from 1.0 x 10<sup>6</sup> cells, and a one-tenth volume of each lysate was used to analyze the MerTK expression by western blotting.