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Supplemental Information

Integrin-Mediated Macrophage Adhesion Promotes

Lymphovascular Dissemination in Breast Cancer

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Figure S1. Elevated macrophages in tumor-bearing mice increases lymphatic vessel diameter and contact between SV-LEC and endogenous tumor-educated macrophages results in LEC contraction, related to Figure 2

Tile scans representative of whole tumor sections from mice treated with PBS or RAW264.7 macrophages.10 μ m fixed sections were stained with (A) Lyve1 antibody and Cy3-conjugated secondary antibody or (B) podoplanin-AF594 (red) to allow confocal imaging of lymphatic vasculature i) (x4 objective, scale bar, 50 μ m) (C) The maximum diameter across Lyve1+ vessels was measured in image J from at least 4 fields of view from each tumor section from 4 PBS-treated and 4 RAW264.7-treated mice. (D) Representative images of tumour tissues from mice treated with PBS liposomes or clodronate liposomes. F4/80-Cy3 (red) depicts infiltrating macrophages (E) SV-LECs were grown as a monolayer on a glass coverslip and stained with CMTMR (red) or CMFDA (green). Non-educated and tumor-educated bone marrow macrophages (BMM and eBMM respectively) were stained with F4/80-Cy5 (white) and both cell types were stained with Hoescht-33342 (blue).



Figure S2. Western blot analysis of TGF β 1 knockdown in RAW264.7 cells, related to Figure 3 (A) Bone marrow macrophages were cocultured alone or with 4T1.2 tumor cells for 5 days on glass coverslips. Cells were fixed with 4% PFA before staining with F4/80-FITC and TGF β 1 and a Cy3 secondary antibody and imaging by confocal microscopy. Cell boundary depicted with white dotted line in inset image. (B) SV-LECs treated with SB-43142 were analysed by western blot to assess levels of phospho Smad2/3 (C) RAW264.7 were transiently transfected with shRNA against β 4 integrin or TGF β 1 and analysed by western blot. (D) Macrophages were cocultured with SV-LECs and the contraction of SV-LECs measured (E) RAW264.7 cells were virally transduced with shRNA against TGF β 1 or NTC. (i) Macrophages that were transfected were selected for GFP expression and lysed using an SDS buffer. Lysates were run on a reducing gel (4-12% Bis-Tris), blotted onto PVDF and the membranes were probed for TGF β 1 or β -tubulin as a loading control. (ii) Supernatants were analysed by ELISA for TGF β 1 levels.



Figure S3. Endogenous macrophages increase expression of membrane-bound TGF β 1 after co-culture with 4T1.2 tumor cell, related to Figure 3

(A) The fluorescence intensity from F4/80+ cells was quantified (white arrows) and normalized to cell area. Scale bar, 10μ m. Data represent means ± SD, significance was determined using unpaired t-tests (**p<0.01). (B) NTC- and TGF β 1-KD RAW264.7 macrophages were stained with rat anti- β 4 integrin followed by secondary goat anti-rat-AF647 antibody. Expression levels of β 4 integrin were analyzed by FACS and a representative histogram is depicted (n = 2 independent experiments).



Figure S4. Expression of ITGB4 in murine macrophages (A) ITGB4 expression in murine macrophages, related to Figure 4

The y-axis indicates normalized expression on the log2 scale. The red line indicates median expression of all genes. Raw gene counts were obtained from the ARCHS4 database. (B) CD68+ITGB4+ macrophages in lymph node negative versus lymph node positive tissues are shown graphically.