SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

StarD5: an ER stress protein regulates plasma membrane and intracellular cholesterol homeostasis

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Supplemental Figure S1. Generation of StarD5^{-/-} **mice using CRISPR/Cas9.** (A-B) A guide RNA was designed to create a double-strand cleavage 10 bp upstream of the ATG start site. (C) Partial sequence of a 200-base repair ssODN, homologous to the StarD5 gene and centered on the Cas9 cleavage site. The ssODN contained a single-base deletion in codon 2 that induces a translational frame-shift, as well as eight mutations (underlined) upstream of the start codon that: (1) create an optimized Kozak sequence for efficient translational initiation, (2) eliminate the Cas9 PAM sequence to prevent retargeting, and (3) create a Bgl I site for screening purposes. (D) The sequence changes in StarD5^{-/-} line 3 are shown. (E) Pups were screened by PCR followed by Bgl I digestion; *lane 1*, molecular weight markers, *lane 2*, wild type (WT), *lane 3*, heterozygous (+/-), *lane 4*, homozygous (-/-) mouse DNA. (F) Total protein extracts were prepared from liver and peritoneal macrophages from wild type (WT), heterozygous (+/-), or homozygous (-/-) mice as indicated and used to perform Western blots for StarD5 and actin as a control.

Fraction	PNS	PM
Lane	1	2
PDI -		
Na ⁺ /K ⁺ ATPase α-1	1992	

Supplemental Figure S2. Macrophages PM purification. PM was purified from wild type and StarD5^{-/-} macrophages to quantify cholesterol (Fig. 1). Aliquots of the post-nuclear supernatant (PNS) and of the PM fraction were used to assess their purity using an ER antibody (anti-protein disulfide isomerase, PDI) and anti-Na⁺/K⁺ ATPase α -1 antibodies. A representative preparation is shown.



Supplemental Figure S3. Phasor-FLIM analysis and interpretations. (A) Simulated phasor plot for long (red dot), short (black dot) and a linear combination of both lifetimes (green dot). At the insert can be identified the simulated decay for the single exponential decay (back and red traces) and the double exponential decay (green trace). Single exponential decays can be found at the universal circle (blue hemicircle). From coordinate (1,0) to (0,0) the lifetime increases from 0 to ∞ . A position inside the universal circle represents at least a linear combination of 2 components. The m and φ represents the modulation and phase for each distribution, respectively. (B) Lifetime intensity image for a cell label with LAURDAN. The plot on top illustrates the decay for a single pixel. For every single pixel, the decay is collected and then transformed to the phasor space following the equations in *panel C*. (C) Phasor transformation for the lifetime decay at every single pixel. I(t) represents the intensity at given time, ω is the angular modulation frequency ($2\pi f$, where *f* is the frequency repetition of the laser) and *T* is the period of the laser. (D)

Illustrative phasor plot to show the linear combination and reciprocal properties of phasors. An illustrative distribution of pixels can be observed as an ellipse (in the color scale red mean highest number of pixels in the cluster). Red and black dots represent the extremes of the distribution (long and short lifetimes, respectively). By selecting a region of interest at the phasor plot (pink cursor) it is possible to identify the corresponding pixels at the inset image (reciprocal property).



Supplemental Figure S4. Masking procedure for the FLIM data analysis. A) Lifetime intensity image of mouse wild-type macrophage labeled with LAURDAN. (B and C) Hand draw masking was performed to separate the information from subcellular regions. Using this procedure two region of interest were independently analyzed, internal and plasma membrane (B and C, respectively). (D and E) FLIM intensity images after application of the masks in B and C, respectively. (F and G) Phasor plots produced by the subcellular regions of interest selected in D and E, respectively. A full description about using masks can be found in Malacrida *et al* (21).

Oligo	Gene	Gen Bank #	Nucleotides	Sequence
mStarD5-F	m StarD5	NM 023377.4	250-271	CGG GAG AAG TGG GAT
moturbo 1	in StarD5		200 211	GAT AATG
mStarD5-R	m HMG-CoA reductase	BC085083	354-375	CAC AAA GTC CCT GGG
mStarD5-P mHMG-CoA reductase-F mHMG-CoA reductase R mHMG-CoA reductase-P				AGA AAT A
			301-324	ACG GAT ATG CTG TGT
				GTG AGC AGA
			1893-1915	CTG AAG GGT TTG CAG
				TGA TAA AG
			1987-2008	CCT GGA CTG GAA ACG
				GAT ATA G
			1917-1940	AGG CCT TTG ATA GCA
				CCA GCA GAT
mNDC1E	mNPC1	NIM 008720	1684-1707	CAA GTA GGC GAC GAC
IIINPUIF		INIVI_008720		TTC TAT ATC
mNPC1R			1764-1783	CGT GGA GCA AAC TCG
				TAT CA
mNPC1P			643 to 663	ACA CAC TTT CTG TAC
				TGT GTA CGG GC
mABCA1-F n	m A D C A 1	NM_013454	126 to 147	GGG TGG TGT TCT TCC
	III ADCA1			TCA TTA C
mABCA1-R			201 to 220	CAC ATC CTC ATC CTC
				GTC ATT C
mABCA1-P 574 to 5	574 += 504	CCC AGA CCT GTA AAG		
			5/4 10 594	GCG AAG CTT
mGAPDH-F	m GAPDH N	ND 4 001000706	833-853	GGA GAA ACC TGC CAA
		NM_001289/26		GTA TGA
mGAPDH-R			904-922	TCC TCA GTG TAG CCC
				AAG A
			859-882	TCA AGA AGG TGG TGA
mGAPDH-P				AGC AGG CAT

Supplemental Table S1. Oligonucleotides used in the quantitative qRT-PCR