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Data collection

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SPSS 20.0 and Prism 7 (GraphPad) software were used for statistical analyses.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	Sample sizes were assessed using the power calculation at $p < 0.05$, power > 0.80 .
Data exclusions	No data were excluded from the analyses.
Replication	Each independent experiment was replicated at least 3 times.
Randomization	Mice in this study were allocated based on the availability.
Blinding	The investigators were blinded to group allocation during data collection and analysis.

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Antibodies

Antibodies used

mouse anti-human IgE Fc-UNLB, Cat# 9160-01, SouthernBiotech, Birmingham, AL
 anti-human CD68, Cat# M0814, Dako, Carpinteria, CA
 anti-mouse Mac-3, Cat# 553322, BD Biosciences, San Jose, CA
 Anti-mouse CD4, Cat# 553043, BD Biosciences, San Jose, CA
 Anti-mouse α -actin, Cat# F3777, Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO
 goat polyclonal Fc ϵ R1 α antibody (G-14), Cat# sc-33484, Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Dallas, TX
 rabbit polyclonal NHE-1 antibody (H-160), Cat# sc-28758, Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Dallas, TX
 rat anti-mouse/human Mac-2, Cat# CL8942LE, Cedarlane, Burlington, Ontario, Canada
 Alexa Fluor 488, Cat# A-11006, Thermo Fisher Scientific, San Diego, CA
 Alexa Fluor 555, Cat# A-21432, Thermo Fisher Scientific, San Diego, CA
 Alexa Fluor 647, Cat# A-21244, Thermo Fisher Scientific, San Diego, CA
 DAPI, Cat# R37606, Thermo Fisher Scientific, San Diego, CA
 mouse IgE (SPE-7), Cat# D8406, Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO
 mouse anti-Nhe1 antibody, Cat# MAB3140, Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO
 IgG isotype control antibody, Cat# 026502, Thermo Fisher Scientific, San Diego, CA
 hamster anti-mouse Fc ϵ R1 antibody, #14-5898-82, Thermo Fisher Scientific, San Diego, CA
 horseradish peroxidase (HRP)-conjugated mouse anti-hamster antibody, Cat# sc-2789, Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Dallas, TX
 mouse phosphorylated-AKT, Cat# 2965S, Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA
 total AKT, Cat# 2920S, Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA
 phosphorylated-P13 kinase, Cat# 4228S, Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA
 total P13 kinase, Cat# 4257S, Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA
 phosphorylated-mTOR, Cat# 5536T, Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA
 total mTOR, Cat# 2972S, Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA
 β -actin, Cat# 8457S, Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA
 rat anti-mouse IgE antibody, Cat# 93236, BioLegend, San Diego, CA

rat IgG1 κ isotype, Cat# 92233, BioLegend, San Diego, CA

Validation

We did not validate these commercial antibodies.

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)

Cell culture experiments were restricted to the use of mouse primary macrophages from bone marrow differentiation.

Authentication

N/A

Mycoplasma contamination

Not tested.

Commonly misidentified lines
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N/A

Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals

Both Nhe1+/- (C57BL/6 background, Cat# 003012) and Apoe-/- mice (C57BL/6 background, Cat#002052) were purchased from the Jackson Laboratory (Bar Harbor, ME), and crossbred to generate Apoe-/-Nhe1+/- and Apoe-/-Nhe1+/+ littermate controls. We used 8-week old Apoe-/-Nhe1+/- and Apoe-/-Nhe1+/+ male mice. We fed mice an atherogenic diet (Cat# D12108c, Research Diets Inc., New Brunswick, NJ) for 3 months to develop atherosclerosis. We also used wild type (WT) mice (C57BL/6, purchased from Jackson Lab) as experimental controls. Apoe-/-Fcer1a-/- and Apoe-/-Fcer1a+/+ mice were reported in our earlier study (EMBO Mol Med. 2014;6:952-969).

Male 8-week-old Apoe-/- mice were subjected to 1,000 rad of total body irradiation, followed by reconstitution with 2×10^6 bone-marrow cells from 8-week-old male Apoe-/- Nhe1+/+, Apoe-/-Nhe1+/-, Apoe-/-Fcer1a-/-, and Apoe-/-Fcer1a+/+ mice via tail-vein injection. All recipient animals were allowed to recover for 4 weeks on a standard chow diet after bone-marrow transplantation. The bone marrow-reconstituted mice then consumed an atherogenic diet for 3 months to develop atherosclerosis.

Wild animals

N/A

Field-collected samples

N/A

Ethics oversight

All animal procedures conformed to the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals published by the US National Institutes of Health and was approved by the Brigham and Women's Hospital Standing Committee on Animals (protocol #2016N000442).

Note that full information on the approval of the study protocol must also be provided in the manuscript.

Human research participants

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Population characteristics

Discarded and non-coded human carotid atherosclerotic lesion segments.

Recruitment

N/A. No new recruitment involved. No informed consent from patients required.

Ethics oversight

Discarded and decoded human aortas were reused according to the protocol #2010P001930 pre-proved by the Human Investigation Review Committee at the Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, Mass. No patient informed consent was required.

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