

**Additional file 4** Neither TLR5 deficiency nor exposure to flagellin does affect glioma growth *ex vivo*. (a) mCherry GL261 glioma cells were inoculated into organotypic brain slices (OBS) derived from P14-P16 C57BL/6 (n = 2; number of inoculated tumors: 27) and P14-P16  $Tlr5^{-/-}$  mice (n = 3; number of inoculated tumors: 21) and cultured for 4 d. Subsequently, OBS were fixed, stained with Hoechst, and scanned by confocal microscopy, followed by 3D surface reconstruction of gliomas and measurement of tumor volumes. (b) OBS derived from P14-P16 C57BL/6 mice were inoculated with mCherry glioma GL261 cells and stimulated with FLA (100 ng/ml, n = 3; number of analyzed tumors: 12). Tumor volume was compared to unstimulated control (n = 2; number of analyzed tumors: 16). Results are represented as mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed by Student's t-test. n.s., not significant.