Supplemental Material

AKT regulates NLRP3 inflammasome activation by phosphorylating NLRP3 serine 5

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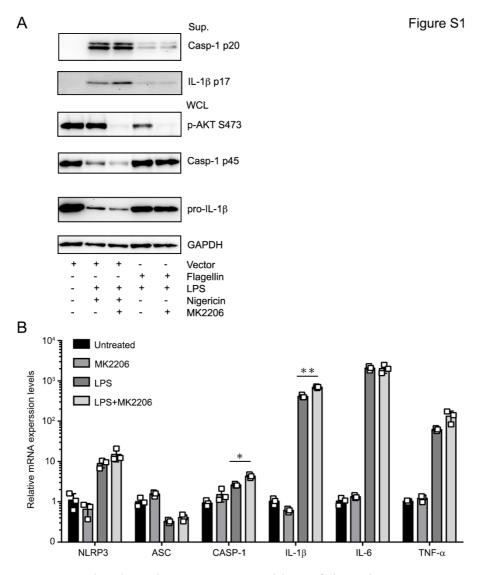


Figure S1. Related to Fig 1. (A) Immunoblots of the culture supernatants (Sup) and whole cell lysates (WCL) of PMA differentiated THP-1 cells primed with LPS (50ng/ml, 6h) after activation of the NLRC4 (flagellin) or NLRP3 (nigericin) inflammasomes. (B) Activation of p-AKT directly regulates the inflammasome activation. Qualification of the mRNA levels of the indicated genes in THP-1 cells after the indicated stimuli. Experiments were repeated at least three times, and bars represent the means \pm SEM. *p<0.05, **p<0.01, as determined by student's t test.

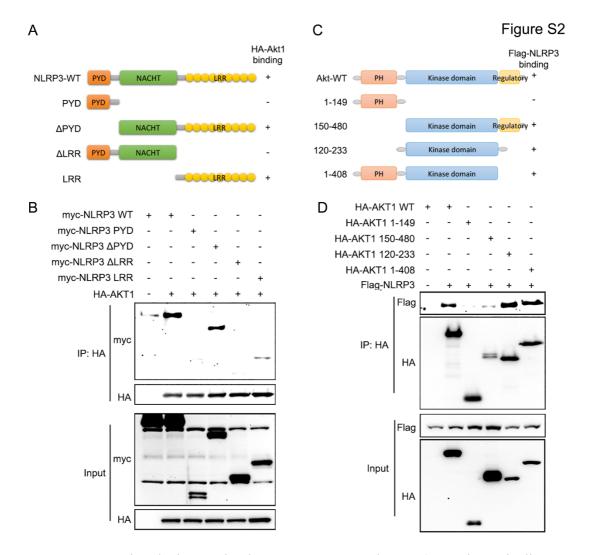


Figure S2. Mapping the interaction between NLRP3 and AKT. (A) Schematic diagram of NLRP3 and its truncation mutants. PYD, Pyrin domain; LRR, leucine-rich repeat. (B) Immunoprecipitation assay showing that the LRR domain of NLRP3 is required to bind AKT. HA-AKT1 was transfected with myc-tagged NLRP3 WT or its truncated mutants in HEK293T cells. The cell lysates were immunoprecipitated with anti-HA antibodies, and then immunoblotted with the indicated antibodies. (C) Schematic diagram of AKT1 and its truncation mutants. PH, pleckstrin homology domain. (D) Immunoprecipitation assay showing that the kinase domain of AKT mainly mediates the interaction with NLRP3. Flag-NLRP3 was transfected with HA-tagged AKT1 WT or its truncated mutants in HEK293T cells. The cell lysates were immunoprecipitated with anti-HA antibodies, and then immunoblotted with the kinase domain of AKT mainly mediates the interaction with NLRP3. Flag-NLRP3 was transfected with HA-tagged AKT1 WT or its truncated mutants in HEK293T cells. The cell lysates were immunoprecipitated with anti-HA antibodies, and then immunoblotted with the indicated antibodies.