# Supplementary information



Figure S1. Tau PFF endocytosis by primary astrocytes is independent of HSPG.

(a) SDS-PAGE and Coomassie blue staining show the purified untagged Tau 2N4R protein. Protein eluates from SP-Sepharose and Superdex 200 were analyzed. Asterisk indicates a degradation product.

(**b**) A representative negative stain EM picture of the assembled Tau PFF before sonication. Scale bar, 500nm.

(c) Short-term treatment of astrocytes with Tau monomer or PFFs did not induce cell death. Primary astrocytes treated with PBS, Tau monomer or PFF (200 nM) for 6 h were stained with a green-fluorescent dye calcein-AM to label viable cells and a red-

fluorescent dye ethidium homodimer-1 to label dead cells. Scale bar, 10  $\mu$ m.

(**d**) Astrocytic uptake of Tau PFF is not significantly inhibited by heparin. Astrocytes were incubated with Alexa 594-conjugated Tau PFF (Magenta) for 2 h in the absence or presence of 50 μg/ml heparin. Cells were stained with Hoechst (Blue) before confocal imaging.

(e) Quantification of Tau PFF fluorescence signal in individual cells in experiments shown in **d**. Mean ±SEM, n=3 biologically independent experiments. \*, p<0.05 by two-tailed unpaired student t-test.

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| Protein | Pep. count (Tau-APEX2/AP | EX2) Mr. (kDa) |
|---------|--------------------------|----------------|
| ITGαV   | 44/6                     | 115            |
| CD109   | 38/9                     | 162            |
| ITGα6   | 35/4                     | 122            |
| NCAM    | 33/0                     | 119            |
| ITGa1   | 32/5                     | 131            |
| ATP1a1  | 32/11                    | 113            |
| EPHa1   | 32/5                     | 109            |
| ITGβ1   | 28/5                     | 88             |







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Figure S2. Identification of integrin  $\alpha V/\beta 1$  as a Tau interactor in primary astrocytes.

(**a**) Tau-APEX2 binds to the cell surface in a dose dependent manner. Sh-SY5Y cells were incubated with the indicated amount of Tau-APEX2 on ice for 3 h. After washing, cells were lysed and cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblotting. As a negative control, 50 nM Tau PFF was incubated with buffer (no cells).

(**b**) Tau-APEX2 but not APEX2-Tau binds to the cell surface. Sh-SY5Y cells were incubated with the indicated amount of Tau protein on ice for 2 h, washed, and then lysed. Cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblotting. The arrow indicates Tau-APEX2.

(c) Short-term treatment of astrocytes with low temperature did not induce cell death. Primary astrocytes treated at 37 °C or 4 °C for 1 h were stained with calcein-AM and ethidium homodimer-1. Scale bar, 10 μm.

(d) A summary of the top candidates identified by mass spectrometry.

(e) Validation of Tau-APEX2-mediated biotinylation of ITGβ1. Tau-APEX2 was incubated with HEK293T cells transfected with either an empty vector (EV) or an ITGβ1-GFP-expressing plasmid followed by *in vitro* biotinylation. Whole cell extracts (WCE) were either directly analyzed by immunoblotting or first subjected to biotin pulldown (PD) before immunoblotting with GFP antibodies.

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### Figure S3. Tau binds integrin $\alpha V/\beta 1$ directly in vitro.

(a) Recombinant integrin  $\alpha V\beta 1$  (100 nM) was incubated with PBS as a control or 100 nM monomeric recombinant Tau protein as indicated. A fraction of the binding reaction (5% input) was analyzed directly by immunoblotting (lanes 1-3). The remaining samples were subjected to immunoprecipitation with Tau-46 antibodies before immunoblotting (lanes 4-6).

(**b**) The effect of integrin  $\alpha V/\beta 1$  knockdown on astrocyte viability. Cells infected with lentiviruses expressing either control or integrin  $\alpha V/\beta 1$  shRNAs for 72 h were stained with calcein-AM and ethidium homodimer-1. Scale bar, 10 µm.

(c) The effect of FAK inhibition on astrocyte viability. Cells treated with the indicated drugs for 8 h were stained with calcein-AM and ethidium homodimer-1. Scale bar, 10  $\mu$ m.



Figure S4. Dose dependent suppression of Tau-PFF-induced inflammation by PF-562271 and PDTC.

Immunopurified astrocytes were pre-treated with the indicated concentration of PF-562271 (**a**) or PDTC (**b**) for 1h and then treated with either PBS or Tau PFF. The expression of the indicated genes was determined by qRT-PCR and normalized to PBStreated samples.



Figure S5. The effect of integrin  $\alpha V/\beta 1$  and Talin1 knockdown on the expression of pan-reactive and A2 specific genes in astrocytes.

(a, b) Control or integrin αV/β1 knockdown astrocytes were treated with either PBS or Tau PFFs. The expression of the indicated genes was determined by qRT-PCR and normalized to PBS-treated samples. Mean ±SEM, n=3 independent experiments.
(c, d) Control or Talin1(TLN) knockdown immunopurified astrocytes were treated with either PBS or Tau PFFs. The expression of the indicated genes was determined by qRT-PCR and PCR and normalized to PBS-treated samples. Mean ±SEM, n=3 independent experiment by qRT-PCR and normalized to PBS-treated samples. Mean ±SEM, n=3 independent experiment by qRT-PCR and normalized to PBS-treated samples. Mean ±SEM, n=3 independent

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#### Figure S6 Tau PFF-treated astrocytes release a neurotoxic factor(s).

(**a**) Morphological changes in Tau PFF-treated astrocytes. Primary astrocytes were treated with PBS, Tau monomer or PFF (200nM, 6 h) and then replated in a new dish with fresh medium for 48 h before calcein-AM staining. Scale bar, 10 μm.

(**b**) No Tau carryover was detected in conditioned medium (CM) from Tau-treated astrocytes. Astrocytes were treated with PBS, monomeric Tau (200nM) or Tau PFF (200nM) for 6h. Conditioned medium (CM1) was harvested. Cells were then washed, trypsinized, and transferred to a new plate. After cell attachment, conditioned medium (CM2) was harvested. The CM1 and CM2 were analyzed by immunoblotting together with purified Tau monomer and PFF as a control.

### SI Table 1 A list of reagents

| REAGENTS                                       | SOURCE  |
|--|---|
| PLASMIDS                                       |   |
| pcDNA3 APEX2-NES                               | A gift from Alice Ting Addgene (# 49386) <sup>1</sup>       |
| TAU/PET29B                                     | A GIFT FROM PETER KLEIN ADDGENE (# 16316) <sup>2</sup>      |
| pEF1-αV  | A gift from Timothy Springer Addgene (# 27290) <sup>3</sup> |
| Integrin-β1-GFP                                | A gift from Martin Humphries Addgene (# 69804) <sup>4</sup> |
| pCMV-VSV-G                                     | A gift from Bob Weinberg Addgene (#8454) <sup>5</sup>       |
| pSPAX2   | A gift from Didier Trono Addgene (#12260)                   |
| pEGFP-C1                                       | Clonetech   |
| ITGαV MISSION SHRNA SHRNA<br>PLASMID DNA       | Sigma<br>SHCLND-NM_008402 TRCN0000066589                    |
| ITGβ1 MISSION SHRNA SHRNA PLASMID<br>DNA       | Sigma<br>SHCLND-NM_010578 TRCN0000348624                    |
| TLN1 MISSION SHRNA SHRNA<br>PLASMID DNA        | Sigma<br>SHCLND-NM_011602 TRCN0000108756                    |
| CHEMICALS                                      |   |
| PUROMYCIN                                      | Sigma   |
| PDTC   | R&D   |
| PH RODO-RED SUCCINIMIDYL ESTER                 | ThermoFisher Scientific                                     |
| ALEXA 596 SUCCINIMIDYL ESTER                   | ThermoFisher Scientific                                     |
| DYNASORE                                       | TOCRIS  |
| JASPLAKINOLIDE                                 | TOCRIS  |
| HOECHEST 33342                                 | ThermoFisher Scientific                                     |
| IPTG   | TOCRIS  |
| PF-562271                                      | Selleckchem   |
| BIOTIN-PHENOL                                  | Iris-Biotech Cat # LS-3500.0250                             |
| ANTIBODIES (Dilution)                          |   |
| INTEGRIN αV (1:1,000)                          | Abcam Cat # ab179475  |
| INTEGRIN β1 (1:1,000)                          | Abcam Cat # ab52971   |
| ΝFκB P65 (1:500)                               | Rockland Cat# 200-301-065                                   |
| INTEGRIN $\beta$ 5 (20 $\mu$ g/immune-panning) | R&D Systen Cat# AF3824                                      |

| GFAP (1:250)   | Proteintech Cat # 60190                 |
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| TAU (TAU 46) (1:1,000)                               | Santa Cruz Cat # sc-32274               |
| TAU (TAU H150) (2 μg/IP)                             | Santa Cruz Cat # sc-5587                |
| BIOTIN (BTN,4) (1:1,000)                             | Thermo Fisher Cat # MA5-11251           |
| FLAG (M2) (1:1,000)                                  | Sigma Cat # F1804-200UG                 |
| GFP (B2) (1:500)                                     | Santa Cruz Cat# SC-9996                 |
| HSP90 (1:1,000)                                      | Santa Cruz Cat # sc-69703               |
| CD45 (1.25 μg/immune-panning)                        | BD Biosciences Cat# 550539              |
| ANTI-MOUSE IgG PEROXIDASE                            | Sigma Cat# A4416-1ML                    |
| ANTI-RABBIT (1.5,000)<br>ANTI-RABBIT IgG PEROXIDASE  | Sigma Cat# A6154-1ML                    |
| GOAT ANTI-MOUSE IgG (H+L) ALEXA                      | Thermo Fisher Cat# A21058               |
| GOAT ANTI-RABBIT IgG (H&L)                           | Rockland Cat# 611-145-122               |
| GOAT ANTI-MOUSE IgG ALEXA                            | Thermo Fisher Cat# A21121               |
| GOAT ANTI-RAT IgG (H + L) (80 μg/                    | Jackson ImmunoResearch Cat# 112-005-167 |
| DONKEY ANTI-SHEEP IGG (H + L) (80                    | Jackson ImmunoResearch Cat# 713-005-147 |
| REGENTS  |   |
| STREPTAVIDIN MAGNETIC BEADS                          | Pierce Cat # 88817                      |
| SODIUM ASCORBATE                                     | VWR International Cat # 95035-692       |
| TROLOX   | Sigma-Aldrich Cat. # 238813-5G          |
| SODIUM AZIDE   | VWR International Cat # AA14314-22      |
| HYDROGEN PEROXIDE 30% (WT/WT)                        | Sigma-Aldrich Cat # H1009-100ML         |
| PROTEIN  |   |
| RECOMBINANT HUMAN INTEGRIN<br>ALPHA 1 BETA 1 PROTEIN | R&D system                              |

| SI | Table 2 | 2. c | PCR | primers | used | in | the | study |
|----|---------|------|-----|---------|------|----|-----|-------|
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| IL1α-F   | 5'-GGGAAGATTCTGAAGAAGAG     |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| IL1α-R   | 5'-GAGTAACAGGATATTTAGAGTCG  |
| IL1β-F   | 5'-TGTGAAATGCCACCTTTTGA     |
| IL1β-R   | 5'-GTGCTCATGTCCTCATCCTG     |
| IL6-F    | 5'-GACAACCACGGCCTTCCCTACTTC |
| IL6-R    | 5'-TCATTTCCACGATTTCCCAGAGA  |
| TNFα-F   | 5'-CCGATGGGTTGTACCTTGTC     |
| TNFα-R   | 5'-CGGACTCCGCAAAGTCTAAG     |
| IL10-F   | 5'-AAGGCAGTGGAGCAGGTGAA     |
| IL10-R   | 5'-CCAGCAGACTCAATACACAC     |
| NOS2-F   | 5'-CACCTTGGAGTTCACCCAG      |
| NOS2-R   | 5'-ACCACTCGTACTTGGGATGC     |
| TGFβ1-F  | 5'-TACCATGCCAACTTCTGTCTGGGA |
| TGFβ1-R  | 5'-TGTGTTGGTTGTAGAGGGCAAGGA |
| CCL2-F   | 5'-TCAGCCAGATGCAGTTAACG     |
| CCL2-R   | 5'-GATCCTCTTGTAGCTCTCCAGC   |
| CCL3-F   | 5'-GACTGCCTGCTGCTTCT        |
| CCL3-R   | 5'-GATCTGCCGGTTTCTCTTAG     |
| CCL4-F   | 5'-CATGAAGCTCTGCGTGTCT      |
| CCL4-R   | 5'-CTGCCGGGAGGTGTAA         |
| CXCL10-F | 5'-GCCGTCATTTTCTGCCTCAT     |
| CXCL10-R | 5'-GCTTCCCTATGGCCCTCATT     |
| CCL12-F  | 5'-AGAATCACAAGCAGCCAGTGT    |

| CCL12-R | 5'-ATCCAAGTGGTTTATGGAATTCTTAAC |
|---------|--------------------------------|
| ITGβ1-F | 5'-ATGCCAAATCTTGCGGAGAAT       |
| ITGβ1-R | 5'-TTTGCTGCGATTGGTGACATT       |
| ITGαV-F | 5'-CCTGAGACTGAAGAAGAC          |
| ITGαV-R | 5'-CCTTGCTGAATGAACTTG          |
| ΙΤGβ5-F | 5'-TGACGAAGAACCACTATA          |
| ITGβ5-R | 5'-CTACTGTACGCATTGATAA         |
| ITGα6-F | 5'-AAGGAAGGATGTGGAGAC          |
| ITGα6-R | 5'-TTGAATTGGAAGGTAAGAGAAT      |
| ITGα1-F | 5'-AGCCTATCCTGAGACCTT          |
| ITGα1-R | 5'-TCTTATCTTCACCACAGTTCT       |
| ITGα3-F | 5'-GAGCTGTGGTTGGTGCTTG         |
| ITGα3-R | 5'-GCACTTCCACAAGAGGAGGAT       |
| TLN1-F  | 5'-CTGGCCTCACAAGCCAAG          |
| TLN1-R  | 5'-TTGATGTGAGCGCCTATCTCT       |
| ligp1-F | 5'-GGGGCAATAGCTCATTGGTA        |
| ligp1-R | 5'-ACCTCGAAGACATCCCCTTT        |
| Gbp2-F  | 5'-GGGGTCACTGTCTGACCACT        |
| Gbp2-R  | 5'-GGGAAACCTGGGATGAGATT        |
| FbIn5-F | 5'-CTTCAGATGCAAGCAACAA         |
| FbIn5-R | 5'-AGGCAGTGTCAGAGGCCTTA        |
| Ugt1a-F | 5'-CCTATGGGTCACTTGCCACT        |
| Ugt1a-R | 5'-AAAACCATGTTGGGCATGAT        |
| Psmb8-F | 5'-CAGTCCTGAAGAGGCCTACG        |
| Psmb8-R | 5'-CACTTTCACCCAACCGTCTT        |

| Srgn-F     | 5'-GCAAGGTTATCCTGCTCGGA  |
|------------|--------------------------|
| Srgn-R     | 5'-TGGGAGGGCCGATGTTATTG  |
| Amigo2-F   | 5'-GAGGCGACCATAATGTCGTT  |
| Amigo2-R   | 5'-GCATCCAACAGTCCGATTCT  |
| Clcf1-F    | 5'-CTTCAATCCTCCTCGACTGG  |
| Clcf1-R    | 5'-TACGTCGGAGTTCAGCTGTG  |
| Tgm1-F     | 5'-CTGTTGGTCCCGTCCCAAA   |
| Tgm1-R     | 5'-GGACCTTCCATTGTGCCTGG  |
| S100A10-F  | 5'-CCTCTGGCTGTGGACAAAAT  |
| S100A10-R  | 5'-CTGCTCACAAGAAGCAGTGG  |
| Sphk1-F    | 5'-GATGCATGAGGTGGTGAATG  |
| Sphk1-R    | 5'-TGCTCGTACCCAGCATAGTG  |
| Slc10a6-F  | 5'-GCTTCGGTGGTATGATGCTT  |
| Slc10a6-R  | 5'-CCACAGGCTTTTCTGGTGAT  |
| Tm4sf1-F   | 5'-GCCCAAGCATATTGTGGAGT  |
| Tm4sf1-R   | 5'-AGGGTAGGATGTGGCACAAG  |
| B3gnt5-F   | 5'-CGTGGGGCAATGAGAACTAT  |
| B3gnt5-R   | 5'-CCCAGCTGAACTGAAGAAGG  |
| VCAM-F     | 5'-TCTGGGAAGCTGGAACGAAG  |
| VCAM-R     | 5'-CAAACACTTGACCGTGACCG  |
| ITGαM-F    | 5'-ATGGACGCTGATGGCAATACC |
| ITGαM-R    | 5'-TCCCCATTCACGTCTCCCA   |
| Serping1-F | 5'-ACAGCCCCCTCTGAATTCTT  |
| Serping1-R | 5'-GGATGCTCTCCAAGTTGCTC  |
| NF-κB-F    | 5'-CCAACGCCCTCTTCGACTAC  |

| NF-κB-R     | 5'-GATCCCTCACGAGCTGAGC     |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| GFAP-F      | 5'-AGAAAGGTTGAATCGCTGGA    |
| GFAP-R      | 5'-CGGCGATAGTCGTTAGCTTC    |
| CD109-F     | 5'-CACAGTCGGGAGCCCTAAAG    |
| CD109-R     | 5'-GCAGCGATTTCGATGTCCAC    |
| CD14-F      | 5'-GGACTGATCTCAGCCCTCTG    |
| CD14-R      | 5'-GCTTCAGCCCAGTGAAAGAC    |
| H2-D1-F     | 5'-TCCGAGATTGTAAAGCGTGAAGA |
| H2-D1-R     | 5'-ACAGGGCAGTGCAGGGATAG    |
| H2-T23-F    | 5'-GGACCGCGAATGACATAGC     |
| H2-T23-R    | 5'-GCACCTCAGGGTGACTTCAT    |
| Emp1-F      | 5'-GAGACACTGGCCAGAAAAGC    |
| Emp1-R      | 5'-TAAAAGGCAAGGGAATGCAC    |
| Fkbp5-F     | 5'-TATGCTTATGGCTCGGCTGG    |
| Fkbp5-R     | 5'-CAGCCTTCCAGGTGGACTTT    |
| CD44-F      | 5'-TCAGGATAGCCCCACAACAAC   |
| CD44-R      | 5'-GACTCCGTACCAGGCATCTTC   |
| Serpina3n-F | 5'-GTCTTTCAGGTGGTCCACAAGG  |
| Serpina3n-R | 5'-GCCAATCACAGCATAGAAGCG   |
| CP-F        | 5'-GATGTTTCCCCAAACGCCTG    |
| CP-R        | 5'-GTAGCTCTGAGACGATGCTTGA  |
| S1pr3-F     | 5'-CTTGCAGAACGAGAGCCTGT    |
| S1pr3-R     | 5'-CCTCAACAGTCCACGAGAGG    |
| GFAP-F      | 5'-AACCGCATCACCATTCCTGT    |
| GFAP-R      | 5'-TCCTTAATGACCTCGCCATCC   |

| Lcn2-F   | 5'-CCGACACTGACTACGACCAG   |
|----------|---------------------------|
| Lcn2-R   | 5'-AATGCATTGGTCGGTGGGAA   |
| Timp1-F  | 5'-CGCTAGAGCAGATACCACGA   |
| Timp1-R  | 5'-CCAGGTCCGAGTTGCAGAAA   |
| Vim-F    | 5'-GAGGAGATGAGGGAGTTGCG   |
| Vim-R    | 5'-CTGCAATTTTTCTCGCAGCC   |
| ASPG-F   | 5'-CAGGTGCCCAGGTTCCTATC   |
| ASPG-R   | 5'-GTCCACCTTGGTTGTCCGAT   |
| Hsbp1-F  | 5'-GAGATCACTGGCAAGCACGA   |
| Hsbp1-R  | 5'-ATTGTGTGACTGCTTTGGGC   |
| Steap4-F | 5'-CAAACGCCGAGTACCTTGCT   |
| Steap4-R | 5'-CAGACAAACACCTGCCGACT   |
| Osmr-F   | 5'-GTCATTCTGGACATGAAGAGGT |
| Osmr-R   | 5'-AATCACAGCGTTGGGTCTGA   |

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