

1 **VEGFR2 trafficking by KIF13B is a novel therapeutic target for wet AMD**

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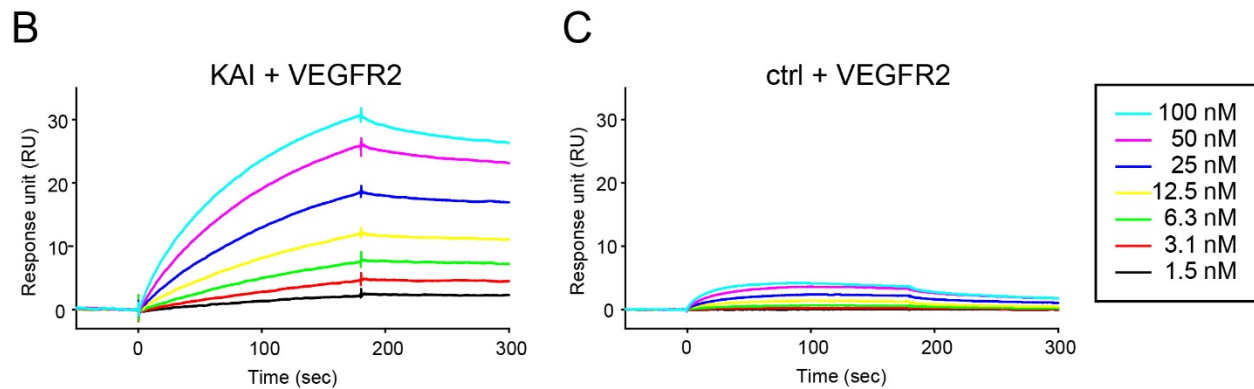
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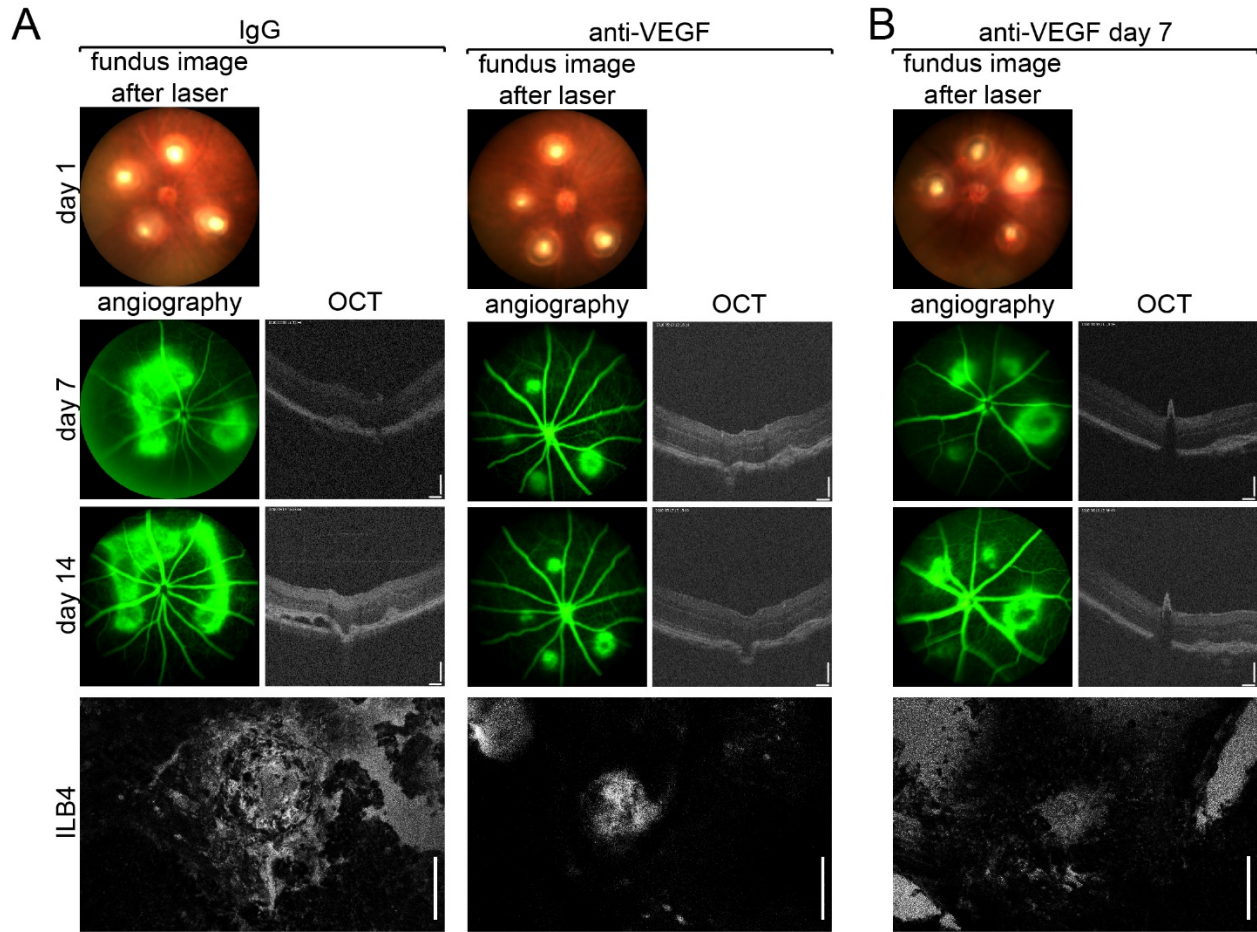
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Unique	Total	Gene	XCorr	Δ Corr
24	28	KIF13B	5.477	0.478
11	11	VEGFR2	5.079	0.528
5	6	PDGFR a	4.858	0.509
5	5	PDGFR b	4.838	0.501
5	5	NRP1	4.841	0.585
1	1	EGFR		



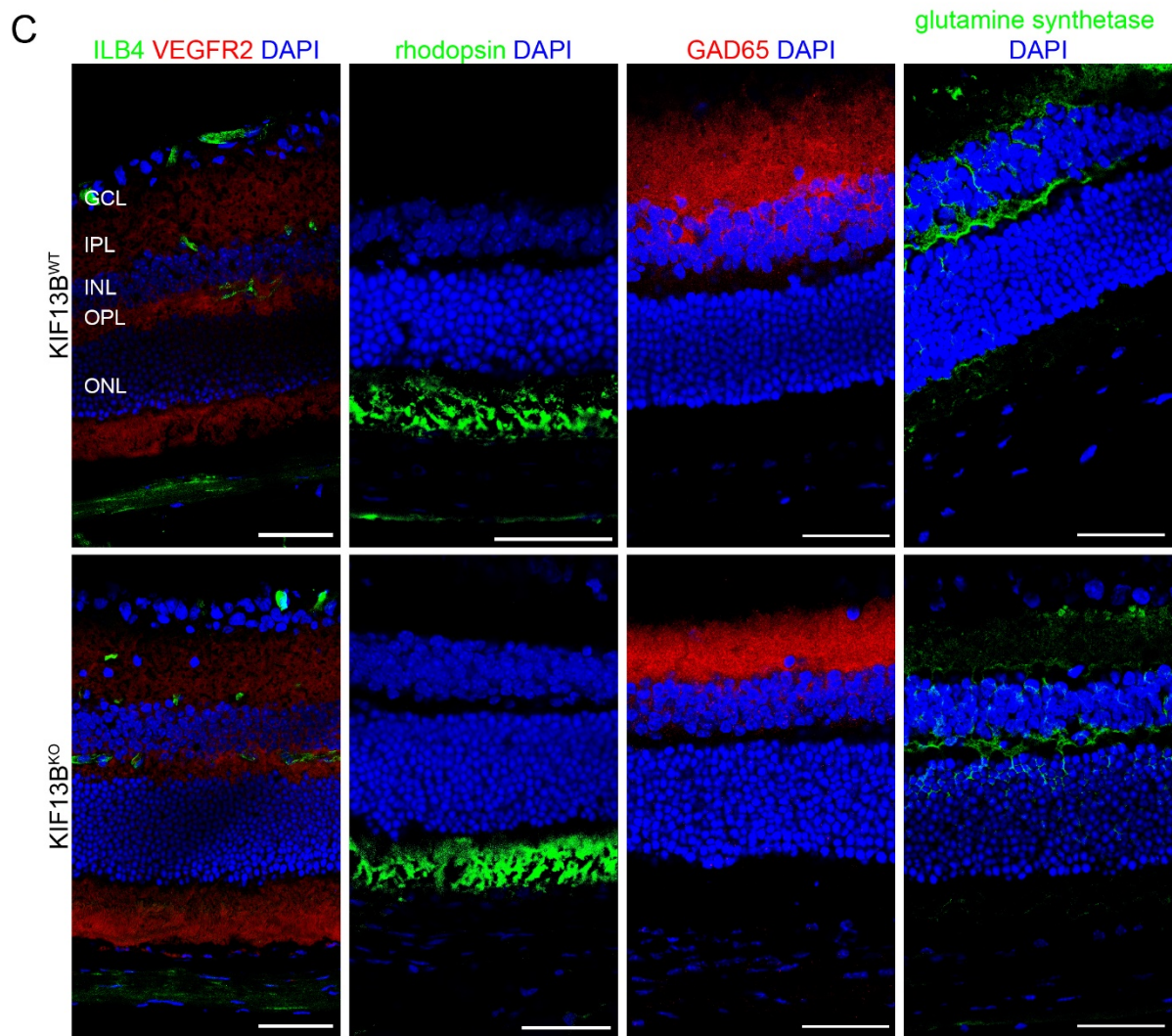
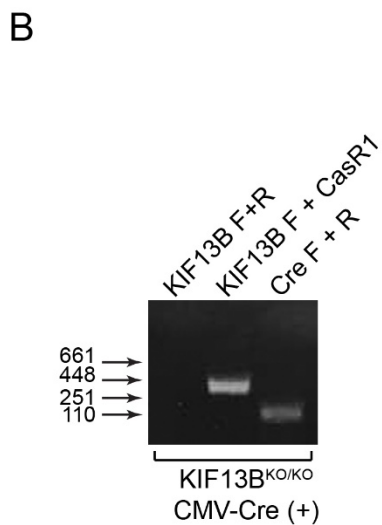
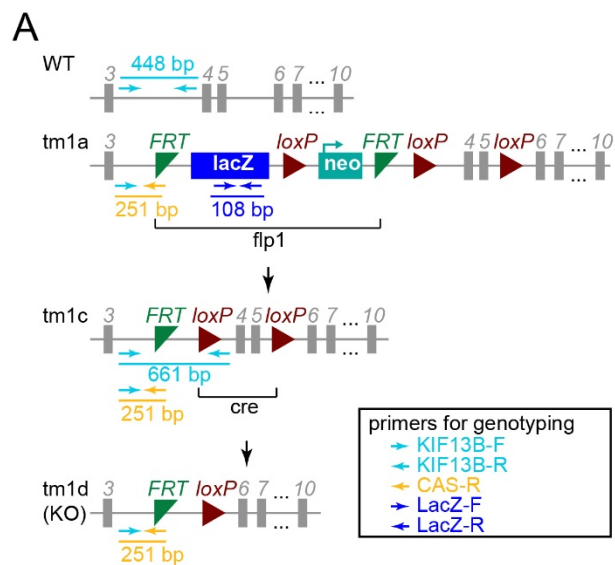
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2 **Supplementary Figure 1. VEGFR2 has a high affinity to KAI, not to ctrl** (A) Mass
3 spectrometry analysis of the proteins which bound to the biotin-KAI immobilized on the
4 streptavidin beads. After the digestion of the proteins, peptide fragments were analyzed based on
5 the molecular weight to determine the parental proteins. The number of the total and unique
6 peptide fragments, the name of the determining gene, cross-correlation (XCorr), and delta
7 correlation (Δ Corr) were shown in the table. (B) Biotin-KAI was immobilized on the
8 streptavidin (SA) sensor chip surface, and affinity to the recombinant protein of cytosolic
9 VEGFR2 was tested. (C) Biotin-ctrl was immobilized on the SA sensor chip. Even a high
10 concentration of VEGFR2 did not show any affinity to ctrl.

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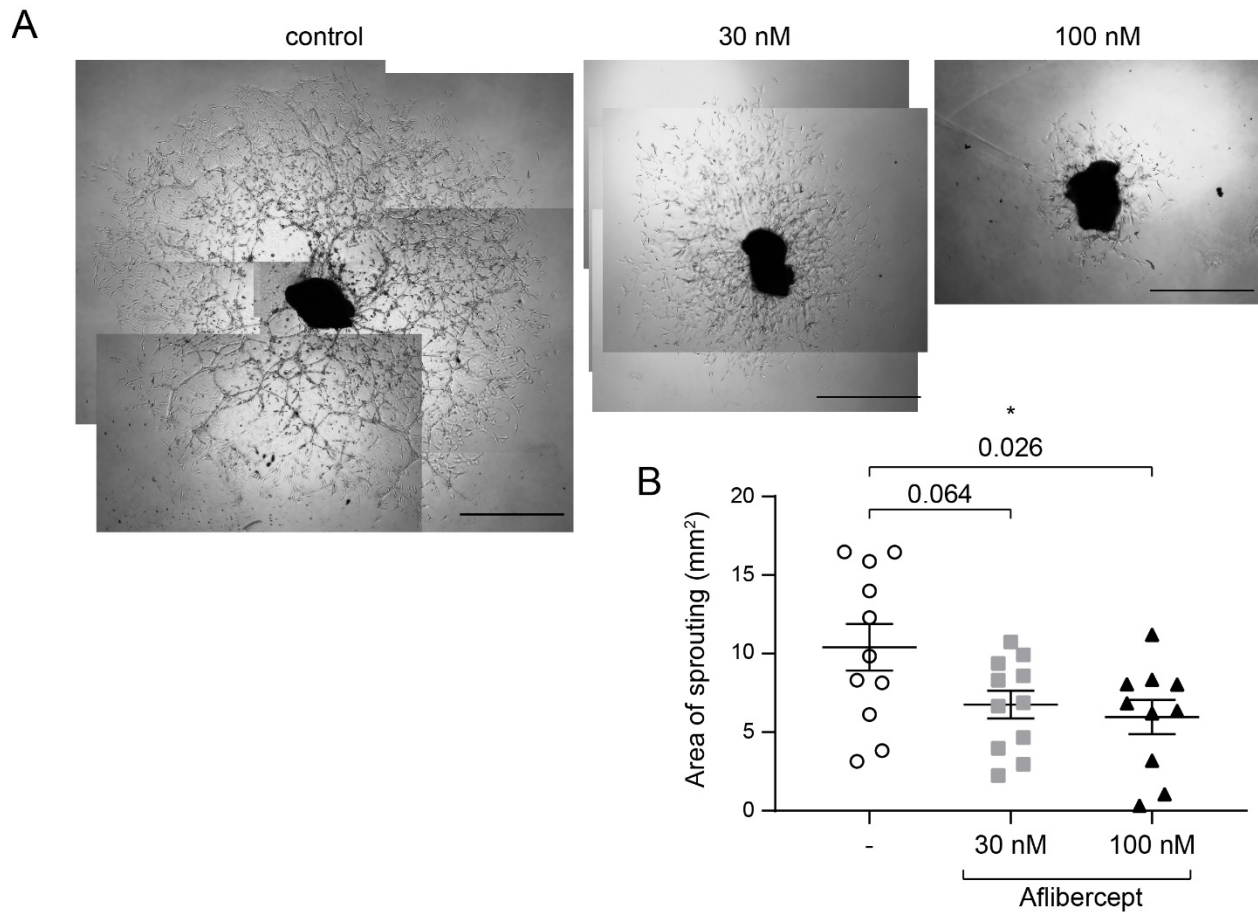


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2 **Supplementary Figure 2. Comparison of the efficacy of our strategy with current therapy**
3 **for wet AMD, anti-VEGF.** (A) Efficacy of anti-VEGF antibody on laser-induced CNV. After
4 laser photocoagulation, mice received intravitreal injection of IgG or anti-VEGF antibody 2
5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{eye}$ on day 1. Represent images of the laser burn at day 1, OCT, and angiography at days 7
6 and 14, and staining of the flat-mount of choroid/sclera with ILB4 on day 14 were shown. Bars:
7 100 μm for OCT, 200 μm for ILB4 staining. (B) Regression of CNV by treatment of intravitreal
8 injection anti-VEGF antibody after CNV was developed. After laser burn, mice were left
9 untreated for 7 days. On day 7, group #7 mice received an intravitreal injection of anti-VEGF

1 antibody 2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{eye}$. The representative images of the fundus image after laser burn at day 1,
2 angiography, and OCT at day 7 before the treatment started, and day 14 after the treatment
3 started were shown. The quantitative data from A and B were analyzed and shown in Fig. 3B, C.
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1 **Supplementary Figure 3. Generation of global KIF13B KO mice** (A) Scheme of KIF13B
2 WT and a mutant allele. (B) Representative image of genotyping shows that the WT allele using
3 *KIF13B-F* and *KIF13B-R* primers (448 bp) was absent in KIF13B^{KO}. The existence of FRT
4 cassettes was confirmed with *KIF13B-F* and *CAS-R* primers (251 bp). CMV-Cre was also
5 confirmed with Cre-F and Cre-R primers (100 bp). (C) Immunostaining of the cryosection of the
6 eyes from *KIF13B^{WT}* and *KIF13B^{KO}*. Intact eyes were isolated from *KIF13B^{WT}* and *KIF13B^{KO}*.
7 Cryosection of the eyes was analyzed by immunostaining with VEGFR2, ILB4, rhodopsin,
8 GAD65, and glutamine synthetase. No abnormality was noted in *KIF13B^{KO}*. Scale bar: 50 μ m.
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2 **Supplementary Figure 4. VEGF-dependent sprouting from choroidal tissue *ex vivo*.** (A, B)
3 Choroidal tissue fragments were isolated from C57BL/6 mouse eyes, embedded in Matrigel, and
4 incubated in basal media supplemented with 2% FBS without growth factors with or without
5 Aflibercept 30 nM or 100 nM. Tissue fragments dissected from the same animal were divided
6 into 3 groups (control, 30 nM, and 100 nM Aflibercept) and tested at the same time. The
7 independent experiment was repeated 3 times. The sprouting area from each fragment was
8 measured and plotted in graph B as average \pm SE. N=11, 11, 10, for control, 30, 100 nM
9 Aflibercept, respectively. N is the number of fragments in each group from 3 independent
10 experiments. One-way ANOVA.