

1 Supplementary Materials for

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3 **Arf6 exacerbates allergic asthma through cell-to-cell transmission of ASC inflammasomes**

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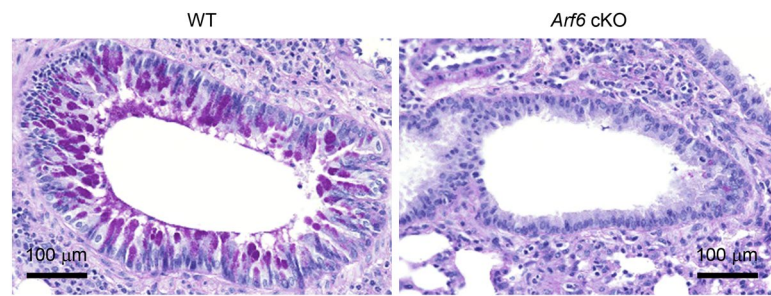
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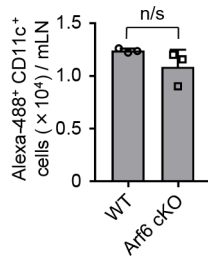


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20 **Supplemental Figure 1. Lung tissue sections of HDM-challenged WT and M ϕ -*Arf6* cKO mice.**

21 Lung tissue sections were stained with PAS-hematoxylin at day 1 after the last HDM challenge. Data

22 are representative of three independent experiments.



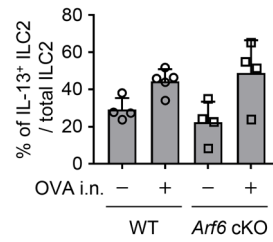
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24 **Supplemental Figure 2. OVA uptake by dendritic cells for antigen presentation in mLN.**

25 Alexa Fluor 488-conjugated OVA (100 μ g) was intranasally administered to OVA-sensitized mice at
26 day 7 after the last immunization. At day 1 after the OVA challenge, the single cell suspensions were
27 obtained from isolated mediastinal lymph nodes (mLN) and were stained with anti-CD45 and
28 anti-CD11c antibodies. The total number of Alexa Fluor 488-positive dendritic cells in mLN was
29 shown (n = 3 mice per group). Each symbol represents one mouse. n/s; not significant.

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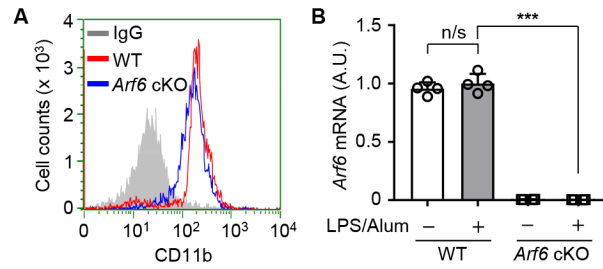
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33 **Supplemental Figure 3. The amount of IL-13⁺ ILC2 cells in OVA-challenged WT and M ϕ -*Arf6***
34 **cKO mice.**

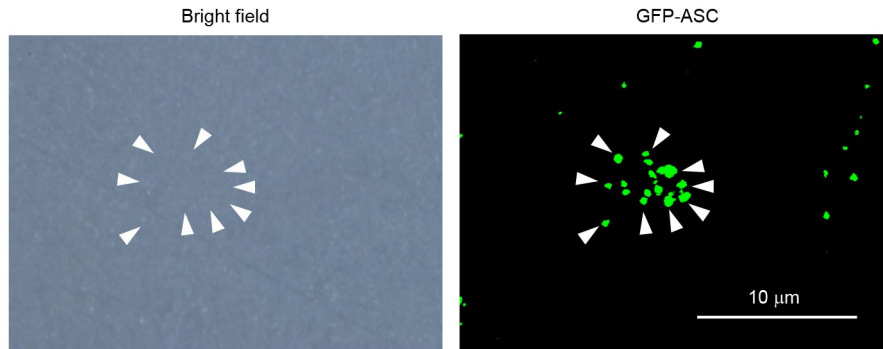
35 Cell suspensions were prepared from lungs of WT and M ϕ -*Arf6* cKO mice after OVA challenge.
36 CD45⁺Lin⁻CD44⁺CD90⁺ST2⁺CD25⁺ cells were isolated from the lung cells as ILC2 cells. The
37 isolated ILC2 cells were incubated with Golgi STOP protein transport inhibitor (BD) at 37°C
38 for 4 h and subjected to immunostaining with anti-IL-13 antibody after 4% PFA fixation. The
39 percentages of IL-13⁺ ILC2 cells to total ILC2 cells were shown. Each symbol represents one
40 mouse (n = 4 to 5 mice per group). The combined results from two independent experiments are
41 shown.



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43 **Supplemental Figure 4. Isolation of airway macrophages from WT and M ϕ -*Arf6* cKO mice.**

44 **(A)** Airway macrophages in BALF obtained from WT and M ϕ -*Arf6* cKO mice were isolated and the
 45 number of CD11b⁺ (Mac-1) cells were counted by flow cytometry. Data are representative of three
 46 independent experiments. **(B)** At 36 h post treatment of 200 ng/ml LPS and 250 μ g/ml alum, total
 47 RNAs were purified from WT and *Arf6*^{-/-} macrophages and subjected to real-time PCR with primers
 48 specific for *Arf6* mRNA. Mean \pm SD from four independent experiments are shown. n/s; not
 49 significant, *** $P < 0.001$; two-tailed Student's *t*-test.

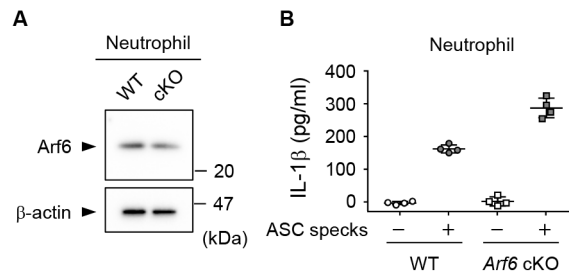


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51 **Supplemental Figure 5. Purification of extracellular GFP-ASC specks.**

52 At 48 h post treatment of 200 ng/ml LPS and 250 μ g/ml alum, the supernatants of THP-1
53 macrophages constitutively expressing GFP-ASC was centrifuged to remove cell debris and then
54 subjected to a Percoll gradient to purify extracellular GFP-ASC specks. It was confirmed that there
55 is no contamination of THP-1 cells in the bright field images. Representative images of cell-free
56 purified extracellular GFP-ASC specks are shown.

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59 **Supplemental Figure 6. Extracellular ASC specks-mediated IL-1β production in neutrophils.**

60 Neutrophils were isolated from bone marrow cells by Neutrophil isolation kit (Milteny Biotec;

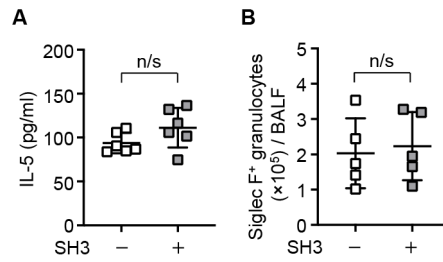
61 130-097-658) according to the manufacturer's instruction. **(A)** The expression level of Arf6 in

62 neutrophils isolated from WT and Mφ-*Arf6* cKO mice was examined. **(B)** IL-1β production in

63 neutrophils isolated from WT and Mφ-*Arf6* cKO mice was examined by ELISA at 6 h post treatment

64 of 5×10^4 particles of purified extracellular ASC specks.

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67 **Supplemental Figure 7. Effect of SecinH3 on allergic inflammation in M ϕ -*Arf6* cKO mice.**

68 OVA-immunized M ϕ -*Arf6* cKO mice were intranasally injected with OVA at day 7 after the last

69 immunization. After a 1-day incubation, the mice were intranasally administered with 50 nmol/head

70 SecinH3 (SH3) and then challenged with OVA at days 10 and 13 after the last immunization. The

71 amount of IL-5 (**A**) and the number of Siglec-F⁺ granulocytes (**B**) in BALF were examined at day 1

72 after the last OVA challenge by ELISA and FACS, respectively ($n = 5$ to 6 mice per group). Each

73 symbol represents one mouse. n/s; not significant.