

## Reporting Summary

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- The exact sample size ( $n$ ) for each experimental group/condition, given as a discrete number and unit of measurement
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- The statistical test(s) used AND whether they are one- or two-sided  
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- For null hypothesis testing, the test statistic (e.g.  $F$ ,  $t$ ,  $r$ ) with confidence intervals, effect sizes, degrees of freedom and  $P$  value noted  
*Give  $P$  values as exact values whenever suitable.*
- For Bayesian analysis, information on the choice of priors and Markov chain Monte Carlo settings
- For hierarchical and complex designs, identification of the appropriate level for tests and full reporting of outcomes
- Estimates of effect sizes (e.g. Cohen's  $d$ , Pearson's  $r$ ), indicating how they were calculated

*Our web collection on [statistics for biologists](#) contains articles on many of the points above.*

### Software and code

Policy information about [availability of computer code](#)

Data collection MiniSeq SY-420-1001, FlowJo 10.8.0, Prism 9 for macOS Version 9.1.1, RStudio Version 1.2.5033

Data analysis See Methods

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- Accession codes, unique identifiers, or web links for publicly available datasets
- A list of figures that have associated raw data
- A description of any restrictions on data availability

The next-generation sequencing data have been deposited in the NCBI Sequence Read Archive database under the bioProject accession code PRJNA726835. All the databases/datasets used in the study along with appropriately accessible links/accession-codes in the manuscript under the "Data availability" section.

## Life sciences study design

All studies must disclose on these points even when the disclosure is negative.

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| Sample size     | Sample size was not pre-determined by statistical methods, but rather, based on preliminary data.                                                                                 |
| Data exclusions | No data was excluded.                                                                                                                                                             |
| Replication     | All attempts (n=3) at replication were successful, and standard deviations were in the expected ranges.                                                                           |
| Randomization   | Group allocation for animal study was performed randomly. The same cell passages were used for the biological replicates, the results were confirmed by different cells passages. |
| Blinding        | Not blinded. Animal groups were labeled with card.                                                                                                                                |

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### Materials & experimental systems

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### Methods

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## Antibodies

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| Antibodies used | Anti-streptavidin antibody (1:100, Vector, Cat. # BA-0500-.5), Fah antibody (1:100, Abcam, Cat. #83770), anti-GFP (1:200, CST, Cat. #2956)                                           |
| Validation      | The specificity of the Fah antibody has previously been confirmed (Yin et al, NBT, 2016). The specificity of the Streptavidin and GFP antibody has been confirmed in the manuscript. |

## Eukaryotic cell lines

Policy information about [cell lines](#)

|                                                                   |                                                                                                                               |
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| Cell line source(s)                                               | HEK293T (ATCC), Neuro 2A (ATCC), HepA1-6 (ATCC)                                                                               |
| Authentication                                                    | Cell lines were authenticated by STR by University of Arizona Genetic core and using PCR assays with species-specific primers |
| Mycoplasma contamination                                          | Cell lines were tested negative for mycoplasma                                                                                |
| Commonly misidentified lines (See <a href="#">ICLAC</a> register) | No                                                                                                                            |

## Animals and other organisms

Policy information about [studies involving animals](#); [ARRIVE guidelines](#) recommended for reporting animal research

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| Laboratory animals      | 6-8 weeks female transgenic Fah(deltaExon5) mice, C57BL/6J mice and FVB/NJ mice were used.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Wild animals            | <i>Provide details on animals observed in or captured in the field; report species, sex and age where possible. Describe how animals were caught and transported and what happened to captive animals after the study (if killed, explain why and describe method; if released, say where and when) OR state that the study did not involve wild animals.</i> |
| Field-collected samples | No field collected samples were used in the study.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Ethics oversight        | All animal study protocols were approved by the UMass IACUC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

Note that full information on the approval of the study protocol must also be provided in the manuscript.

## Flow Cytometry

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### Plots

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### Methodology

Sample preparation

Cell lines were detached and performed Flow cytometry analysis immediately.

Instrument

LSRII and MACSQuant

Software

FlowJo

Cell population abundance

No purification

Gating strategy

Cell populations were analyzed for GFP or tdTomato expression

- Tick this box to confirm that a figure exemplifying the gating strategy is provided in the Supplementary Information.