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An in vivo model for extracellular vesicle-induced emphysema

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Supplemental Figures



Figure S1. Flow cytometry gating strategy. Airway cells were isolated from BAL of saline or LPS-treated mice and analyzed by flow cytometry. Live neutrophils were identified as SSC-A^{hi} CD11c⁻ Ly6G⁺ CD11b⁺, macrophages as SSC-A^{hi} CD11c⁺ Ly6G⁻, and lymphocytes as SSC-A^{lo} CD11c⁻ Ly6G⁻.



Figure S2. Quantification of airway EVs. EVs were harvested from BAL fluid 24 hours following saline or LPS (35ug) treatment of 11-week-old A/J mice or C57Bl/6 mice. Data are shown as median and interquartile range (n=3 independent experiments). Statistical analyses were performed using Wilcoxon signed-rank test, ns = not significant.



Figure S3. Characterization of surface NE on mouse EVs. (A) Surface NE quantification on mouse airway EVs by bead-based flow cytometric analysis. From top to bottom: LPS treated wild type mice - CD63 EV pull-down (grey); LPS treated wild type mice - CD63 EV pull-down after Ly6G+ EV depletion (black); saline treated NE^{-/-} mice - Ly6G pulldown (blue); LPS treated NE^{-/-} mice - Ly6G pulldown (red). **(B)** Quantification of NE+ EVs for the groups described in (A).



Figure S4. Dosing strategy for saline or LPS intratracheal EVs delivery. EVs were transferred intratracheally to 11-week old female A/J mice. Mice received 10^9 or 10^8 exosomes in either a single dose or over 3 doses for the duration of 1 week. Mean Linear Intercepts (L_m) were quantified one week from the initial treatment as a measure of alveolar enlargement (n=4 per group). Representative images (H&E) of EVs-treated mice (LPS and saline). Scale bars represent 100 μ m. Data are shown as median and interquartile range (n=1 experiment). Statistical analyses were performed using Wilcoxon signed-rank test, ** p < 0.01, *** p < 0.001, ns = not significant.



Figure S5. Time course upon EVs delivery. (A) 10^7 EVs were transferred intratracheally in a single dose to 11-week old female C57BL/6 mice. Lungs were harvested 1 week, 2 weeks and 3 weeks after the initial dose. (B) L_m were quantified one week from the initial treatment (n=5 per group). (C) Representative images (H&E) of EV-treated mice (LPS and saline). Scale bars represent 100 μ m. (D-G) Immune cells in the BAL of mice treated with 10^7 Evs were characterized by flow cytometry as defined in Figure S1. T cells were identified as CD3+ and NK cells as NK1.1+. Data are shown as median and interquartile range (n=1 experiment). Statistical analyses were performed using Kruskal-Wallis test, ** p < 0.01, * p < 0.05.



Figure S6. Flow cytometry of BAL after EV delivery. Neutrophils were quantified by flow cytometry in the BAL of mice treated with one 10^7 dose of saline or LPS EVs from WT or NE KO mice (n=5 per group). Data are shown as median and interquartile range (n=1 experiment). Statistical analysis was performed with Kruskal-Wallis test, ** p < 0.01, ns = not significant.