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#### Supplemental information

#### A murine model of cerebral cavernous

#### malformations with acute hemorrhage

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# **Supplemental figure 1. Giant cavernoma in 6-month-old mouse.** Related to Figure 1. **A)** Photographs of brain from a 6-month-old *Ccm3*<sup>EPCKO</sup> mouse showing a giant cavernoma in the

A) Photographs of brain from a 6-month-old *Ccm3*<sup>EPCKO</sup> mouse showing a giant cavernoma in the cortex. B) Relative hematoxylin and eosin staining; arrowheads point to multi-lumen blood-filled lesions.
C) Confocal microscopy image of the cavernoma stained for PECAM1 and DAPI. Scale bars: 500 μm.



#### Supplemental figure 2. Lesions form throughout the brain. Related to Figure 1.

Representative photographs of whole brains from mice analyzed at 90 days. Images show: dorsal **A**) and ventral **B**) views of whole brains; midline **C**) and lateral **D**) sagittal surfaces of hemispheres; **E**) magnification from **C**) showing lesions.

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**Supplemental figure 3. ECs lining cavernomas express KLF4 and EndMT genes.** Related to Figure 1. Representative confocal images showing double staining for PECAM1 as endothelial marker (red) and EndMT genes (gray). Images are taken from brains of *Ccm3*<sup>ECKO</sup> mice at P30 and of *Ccm3*<sup>EPCKO</sup> mice at P90. White arrowheads, EC in lesions; yellow arrowheads, EC in normal vessels. Scale bar: 100µm.

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Supplemental figure 4. Delayed tamoxifen administration results in slower disease progression and milder phenotype. Related to Figure 1.

**A)** Representative photographs of whole brains from mice injected with tamoxifen at either P1, P2 or P3 and analyzed at three months of age. **B)** Quantification of total lesioned area normalized on average area of animals injected at P1. Data are means  $\pm$ SE; \*p <0.01 (Student's t-tests).



**Supplemental figure 5. Histological analysis of peripheral organs.** Related to figure 4. Representative hematoxylin and eosin staining of liver, lung, kidney, and heart (as indicated) of 3-month-old wild-type (WT) and *Ccm3*<sup>EPCKO</sup> mice. Scale bars: 100  $\mu$ m.



**Supplemental figure 6. Bone marrow shows a phenotype similar to the spleen.** Related to Figure 4. Representative images of bone marrow of 3-month-old wild-type (WT) and *Ccm3*<sup>EPCKO</sup> mice stained for CD41 (megakaryocytes), F4/80 (macrophages), myeloperoxidase (myeloid cells), and Ter119 (erythrocytes) (as indicated). A total of four WT and nine knock-out mice were analyzed.



**Supplemental figure 7. Bone marrow shows a phenotype similar to the spleen.** Related to Figure 4. **A)** Representative images of bone marrow of a 3-month-old wild-type (WT) and *Ccm3*<sup>EPCKO</sup> mice stained for PAX5 (B-cells) and CD3 (T-cells), as indicated. A total of four WT and nine knock-out mice were analyzed. Scale bars: 50 µm. **B)** Representative images of blood smears with May–Grunwald–Gi-emsa staining. A total of three WT and seven knock-out mice were analyzed. Scale bar: 100 µm. (c) Quantification of circulating nucleated cells. Data are means ±SE. Each symbol represents an animal; \*p <0.03 (Student's t-tests).





#### Supplemental figure 8. Bone marrow has a normal vasculature. Relaated to Figure 5.

**A)** Representative images of bone marrow of a 3-month-old wild-type (WT) and  $Ccm3^{EPCKO}$  mice stained for hematoxylin and eosin and the endothelial markers VE-cadherin and Endomucin (as indicated). Scale bars: 50 µm. **B)** Quantification of vascular density and mean vessel diameter. Data are means ±SE. Each symbol represents an animal; p >0.05 (Student's t-tests).



Supplemental figure 9. The liver has a normal vasculature. Related to Figure 5.

Representative images of the liver of a 3-month-old wild-type (WT) and *Ccm3*<sup>EPCKO</sup> mouse stained for hematoxylin and eosin and the endothelial markers VE-cadherin and Endomucin (as indicated). Scale bars: 50 µm.







**Supplemental figure 10. Other organs affected in 6-month-old mice.** Related to Figure 4. **A)** Representative photographs of testis from 6-month-old *Ccm3*<sup>EPCKO</sup> mouse, and relative hematoxy-lin and eosin staining; arrowhead point to hemorrhage. **B)** Representative photograph of a tumor from the abdominal cavity of a 6-month-old *Ccm3*<sup>EPCKO</sup> mouse, and relative hematoxylin and eosin staining.