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State explicitly what error bars represent (e.g. SD, SE, CI)

Our web collection on [statistics for biologists](#) may be useful.

Software and code

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Data collection

Flow cytometry data was collected and performed on a Beckman Coulter CytoFlex S. Western blots were imaged and analyzed using the Li-COR Odyssey Clx.

Data analysis

All data was analyzed using Graphpad Prism v7. FlowJo v 10 was used to analyze all flow cytometry experiments. Western blots were analyzed using the Li-COR Odyssey Image Studio Ver 5.2. Genewiz was used to evaluate and confirm colony PCR and sequencing data. Mass spectrometry data was analyzed using Proteome Discoverer 1.4.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	The number of animals used in the experiments in this study is estimated based on a power analysis with the following assumptions: standard deviation will be ~20% of the mean, p-value will be under 0.05 when the null hypothesis is false, the effect size (Cohen's d) is between 1.0-2.0. The minimal number of mice required under these conditions ranges between 6-28 for in vivo experiments. Additionally, we have carefully chosen the sample size listed below based on empirical evidence of what is necessary for interpretation of the data and statistical significance.
Data exclusions	No data was excluded from the analysis.
Replication	In all experiments reported, each cell culture and animal experiment was attempted at least two times. In all experiments, no attempts at replication failed.
Randomization	Groups were established based off genotype and infection status. All other aspects were randomized.
Blinding	Investigator blinding was not used or necessary in this study as no quantification of subtle data or phenotypes were required.

Reporting for specific materials, systems and methods

Materials & experimental systems

n/a	Involved in the study
☐	☒ Unique biological materials
☐	☒ Antibodies
☐	☒ Eukaryotic cell lines
☒	☐ Palaeontology
☐	☒ Animals and other organisms
☒	☐ Human research participants

Methods

n/a	Involved in the study
☒	☐ ChIP-seq
☐	☒ Flow cytometry
☒	☐ MRI-based neuroimaging

Unique biological materials

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Obtaining unique materials All unique materials used are readily available from the authors.

Antibodies

Antibodies used	Flow: CCR5 (mouse HM-CCR5, 1:200), EpCAM (human, 9C4, 1:500), CD81 (human, 5a6; mouse, Eat-2, 1:200), CD9 (human, HI9a; mouse, MZ3, 1:200), CD63 (human, H5C6; mouse, NVG-2, 1:200), ADAM10 (human, SHM14, 1:200) all purchased from BioLegend. Western Blot: CD9 (Cat# 13174S, Cell Signaling, 1:1000), CD81 (cat# ab109201, Abcam, 1:1000), ADAM10 (Cat#
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AB19026, Millipore, 1:2500), LC3 (Cat# PM026, MBL, 1:1000), SQSTM1 (Cat# P0067, Sigma, 1:4000), HLA/a-toxin (Cat# S75531, Sigma, 1:5000), ACTIN (Cat# A5441, Sigma, 1:10,000), STX17 (Cat# NBP1-93968, Novus Biologicals, 1:2500), ARF6 (Cat# 5740S, Cell Signaling, 1:1000), ASS1 (Cat# ab124465, Abcam, 1:1000).

Validation

All reported commercial antibody validation can be found on vendor websites.

Eukaryotic cell lines

Policy information about [cell lines](#)

Cell line source(s)

Human lung epithelial purchased from ATCC (A549), and human embryonal kidney cells (293FT, ThermoFisher cat#R70007) were used for lentiviral packaging.

Authentication

ATCC Cell Line Authentication, Service Sanger Sequencing

Mycoplasma contamination

Confirmed negative for mycoplasma

Commonly misidentified lines
(See [ICLAC](#) register)

No commonly misidentified cell lines were used.

Animals and other organisms

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

Laboratory animals

This study uses mice from the wildtype (WT) and Atg16L1 hypomorph on the C57BL/6 background. Both male and female mice approximately 8-10 weeks of age are used.

Wild animals

Study does not involve wild animals.

Field-collected samples

Study does not involve field-collected samples.

Flow Cytometry

Plots

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- ☒ The axis labels state the marker and fluorochrome used (e.g. CD4-FITC).
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Methodology

Sample preparation

Exosomes were collected from culture supernatants or plasma via high speed centrifugation prior to staining with flow cytometry antibodies (as described in manuscript). Cells isolated from in vitro assays were removed using 5mM EDTA and washed in PBS containing FBS prior to staining.

Instrument

Beckman Coulter CytoFlex S

Software

Flow data was collected with BD CytExpert Software and analyzed using FloJo v 10.

Cell population abundance

In sorting experiment, purity of samples was determined at the time of sorting by running a sorted sample on the FACSria. All samples tested were more than 95% pure.

Gating strategy

Cells were gated on FCS-A and SSC-A. Doublets were removed by gating FSC-A v FSC-H. Live cells were gated as Zombie-Dye negative. Cells were then gated on for ADAM10 or EpCAM. Exosomes were gated as PKH67+CD81+CD63+CD9+. Exosomes were also stained with ADAM10 unless otherwise mentioned. All gates were set using an antibody isotype control samples.

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