

Control of Anterior GRadient 2 (AGR2) dimerization links endoplasmic reticulum proteostasis to inflammation

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1st Editorial Decision

8 January 2019

Thank you for the submission of your manuscript to EMBO Molecular Medicine. We have now heard back from the two referees whom we asked to evaluate your manuscript.

You will see from the comments pasted below that both referees are supportive of publication, only suggesting limited additions. I'd like to insist on referee 2's comment to identify the AGR2 secretory pathway in order to deepen the putatively targetable therapeutic signaling axes.

We would therefore welcome the submission of a revised version within three months for further consideration and would like to encourage you to address all the criticisms raised as suggested to improve conclusiveness and clarity. Please note that EMBO Molecular Medicine strongly supports a single round of revision and that, as acceptance or rejection of the manuscript will depend on another round of review, your responses should be as complete as possible.

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I look forward to receiving your revised manuscript.

***** Reviewer's comments *****

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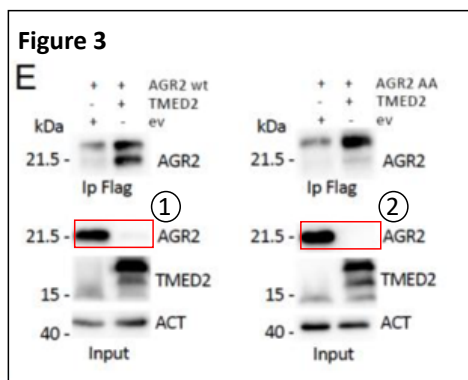
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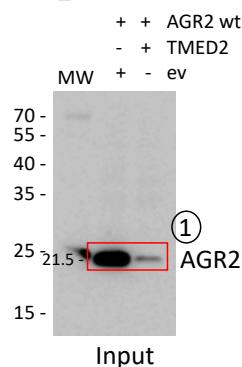
Response R1-1: As indicated by reviewer#1, TMED2 overexpression leads to decrease AGR2_{wt} expression levels (Figure 3E provided in Figure R1A, Figure 3F, and Figure R1B). We observed also a decreased expression of AGR2_{AA} upon TMED2 overexpression (Figure R1A and Figure R1C) although its AGR2 mutant should not be able to interact with TMED2 according to our *in silico* structural analyses of protein/protein interactions. Over-exposed images of Figure 3E discussed by the reviewer#1 are shown in Figure R1B and R1C, and confirm the presence of reduced amounts of AGR2_{wt} and AGR2_{AA} in TMED2 over-expressing cells. The source of AGR2 observed in co-immunoprecipitation experiments is therefore provided by the cells. As suggested by the reviewer#1, this underlines the possible that TMED2 regulates AGR2 expression independently to direct TMED2/AGR2 interactions. This might occur through mechanisms associated with some unconventional release of AGR2 in the extracellular space (see below). A sentence has been added to address this point on p9 of the revised manuscript.

Figure R#1_1

R#1_1A



R#1_1B



R#1_1C

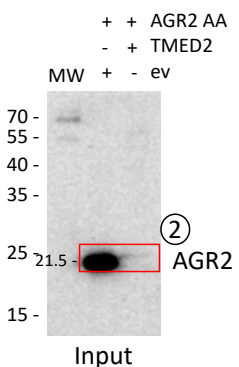


Figure R#1-1: Validation of AGR2/TMED2 interaction. Co-immunoprecipitation of AGR2 wild-type (wt, left panel) or AGR2 AA mutant (right panel) with TMED2 in HEK293T cells. Immunoprecipitation was performed with mouse anti-Flag antibody to pull-down the ectopic protein tag (R#1_1A). Longer exposure of the western blots framed in red boxes (1) and (2) were provided in R#1_1B and R#1_1C respectively.

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Response R2-1: We thank the reviewer#2 for this important remark. To test if AGR2 secretion is dependent of the endo-lysosomal pathway, we have performed additional experiments in which AGR2 was overexpressed in HEK293T cells which were treated or not with brefeldin A (BFA) and/or bafilomycin A. BFA inhibits secretory and transmembrane protein transport from the ER to the Golgi apparatus by blocking a membrane-associated ARF-GEF activity (sec7 domain containing proteins) and bafilomycin A is an inhibitor of the endosomal V-ATPase and prevents the entry of protons in the endosome, hence its acidification. Total and secreted AGR2 levels were analysed by western blot.

Figure R#2_1

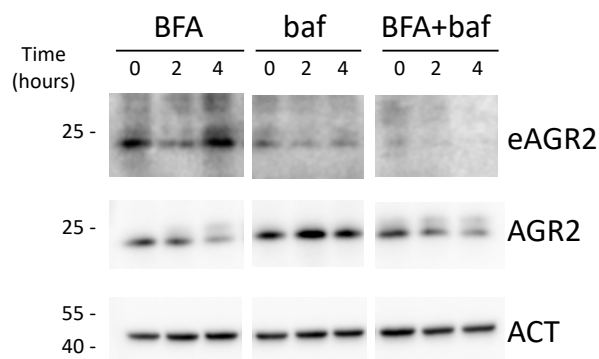


Figure R#2-1: Cellular mechanisms of AGR2 secretion. HEK293T cells were transfected with AGR2_{wt} and were treated with brefeldin A (BFA, 5 µg/ml), bafilomycin A1 (baf, 200 nM), or both (B+B). Western blot analysis of intracellular and secreted AGR2 upon 2 and 4 hours treatment were shown. eAGR2, extracellular AGR2; AGR2, intracellular AGR2. Actin (ACT) served as a loading control.

As shown in Figure R#2_1, treatments with drugs were carried out for relatively short time periods to minimize the impact on the ER stress response. BFA treatment led to reduced intracellular AGR2 expression as well as the appearance of a lower mobility form that might correspond to absence of peptide signal cleavage as previously shown (Genes Chromosomes Cancer. 2005 Jul;43(3):249-59) which was observed after 2 to 4 hours of treatment. In contrast, no change was observed upon treatment with bafilomycin. As expected BFA treatment reduced AGR2 secretion after 2 hours, but led to further release of AGR2 after 4h, suggesting a bypass of the conventional secretory pathway. Again bafilomycin had no effect on AGR2 secretion. Interestingly the secretion of AGR2 was abrogated upon treatment with both BFA and bafilomycin thus suggesting that the secretion of AGR2 might be in part dependent on the endo-lysosomal system as also observed upon overexpression of TMED2 in Fig 5 of the manuscript. We have added this figure in Supplemental material (Fig S5D) and a corresponding sentence on p12 of the revised manuscript.

2nd Editorial Decision

22 March 2019

Thank you for the submission of your revised manuscript to EMBO Molecular Medicine. We have now received the enclosed reports from the referees that were asked to re-assess it. As you will see the reviewers are now globally supportive and I am pleased to inform you that we will be able to accept your manuscript pending minor editorial amendments.

Please submit your revised manuscript within two weeks. I look forward to seeing a revised form of your manuscript as soon as possible.

***** Reviewer's comments *****

Referee #1 (Remarks for Author):

The authors have adequately responded to the comments raised by both reviewers and revised the manuscript accordingly.

Referee #2 (Remarks for Author):

The authors have satisfactorily answered the reviewers' requests.

2nd Revision - authors' response

28 March 2019

Authors made the requested editorial changes.

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8. Report species, strain, gender, age of animals and genetic modification status where applicable. Please detail housing and husbandry conditions and the source of animals.	Bred in-house 2 months old male C57BL/6 mice were used (for ligated-colonic loops assays). For TMED2 mutant mice, the 99J (TMED2 mutant) mouse line was generated on a C57/BL6J genetic background and maintained on a mixed C3H genetic background (C3HeB/FeJ and C3HeB/FeV) as previously described (Hou et al., 2017). Six months old male TMED2 mutants (n = 6) and their wild-type littermate (n = 6) were analyzed.
9. For experiments involving live vertebrates, include a statement of compliance with ethical regulations and identify the committee(s) approving the experiments.	All the in vivo experiments (ligated-colonic loop assays) were approved by and conducted in accordance with the ethical guidelines of the Local Animal Experimentation Committee (Xavier Bichat Medical School) and were in complete compliance with the National Institutes of Health Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals. Alternatively, procedures and experiments carried out regarding TMED2 mutant animals were performed according to the guidelines of the Canadian Council on Animal Care and approved by the Animal Care Committee of the Montreal Children's Hospital. In both cases efforts were made to minimize any pain or discomfort, and the minimum number of animals was used.
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11. Identify the committee(s) approving the study protocol.	All human samples used for the analyses shown in this manuscript were provided by the Centre de Ressources Biologiques from the Beaujon/Bichat Hospitals under the auspices of French National authorities.
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