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# Synaptic pruning of murine adult-born neurons by microglia depends on phosphatidylserine

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Abstract	Introduction	Results	Discussion

- New neurons, continuously added in the adult olfactory bulb (OB) and hippocampus, are involved in information processing in neural circuits.
- Here, we show that synaptic pruning of adult-born neurons by microglia depends on phosphatidylserine (PS), whose exposure on dendritic spines is inversely correlated with their input activity.
- To study the role of PS in spine pruning by microglia in vivo, we developed an inducible transgenic mouse line, in which the exposed PS is masked by a dominant-negative form of milk fat globule-EGF-factor 8 (MFG-E8), MFG-E8D89E.
- In this transgenic mouse, the spine pruning of adult-born neurons by microglia is impaired in the OB and hippocampus.
- ◆ Furthermore, the electrophysiological properties of these adult-born neurons are altered in MFG-E8D89E mice.
- These data suggest that PS is involved in the microglial spine pruning and the functional maturation of adultborn neurons.
- The MFG-E8D89E-based genetic approach shown in this study has broad applications for understanding the biology of PS-mediated phagocytosis in vivo.





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図 2: ミクログリアによる PS 依存的な成体新生ニューロン のシナプス貪食の意義





### Introduction

















# milk fat globule-EGF-factor 8

MFG-E8: milk fat globule-EGF-factor 8. アポトーシス細胞上のPSとαvβ3イ ンテグリンを架橋するタンパク質. αvβ3インテグリンを発現する貪食細胞 がPSを発現するアポトーシス細胞を貪食する際に機能する. 本稿では, こ の変異タンパク質 (D89E MFG-E8) で, PSには結合するものの, インテグ リンには結合しないものをCD300aとPSの結合を阻害するために用いた.

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ホスファチジルコリン

SBF-SEM Specimen Diamond knife Resin Back scattered electron incident electron

Serial block-face scanning electron microscopy

組み込み式ミクロトームによる表層切削 +

SEMによる試料の断面観察

交互に反復

数百mm<sup>2</sup>以上に及ぶ比較的広範囲の領域から 透過型電子顕微鏡による連続切片観察に類似した 画像を、数nm程度の解像度で迅速に取得できる







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Figure 1. Microglia phagocytose a subset of granule cell spines in the adult OB.

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Microg	lia GC spine Phagocytosed spines Mitra	al cell dendrite Microglia GC spine Ph	agocytosed spines Mitral cell dendrite
Partial phagocytosis (Early) Phagocytosed spine			
Granule cell (GC) dendrite	240 nm	480 nm	

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Figure 2. MFG-E8D89E masks PS exposed at spines in vivo.





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Occluded	Opened B	C [20] *	
GCL Occluded	GCL Opened	STORE	Less-active
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-SD3	E4	PSD95 PS PS PS PSD95	PS

Figure 3. PS exposure on less-active spines, and its suppression by olfactory inputs in the adult OB.

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Dcx-CreERT2; R26-tdTomato (28 dpi) Iba1



Figure 4. PS is involved in microglial phagocytosis of spines of adult-born neurons in the OB.





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#### Dcx-CreERT2; R26-EPT; R26-tdTomato (28 dpi)







# Figure 5.

PS is involved in the microglial membrane extension along targeted spines to proceed phagocytosis in adult-born neurons in the OB.  $^{40}$ 



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Figure 6. PS is involved in the spine pruning of adult-born neurons in the OB.





Figure 7.

Inhibition of PS-dependent spine pruning by MFG-E8D89E increases the synaptic density in adult-born mature neurons in the OB.

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Figure 7.

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Inhibition of PS-dependent spine pruning by MFG-E8D89E increases the synaptic density in adult-born mature neurons in the OB.



Figure 8.





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Dcx-CreERT2; R26-EPT or -D89E; R26-tdTomato (56 dpi)

#### Figure 8.



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◆PS as a synaptic eat-me signal

Roles of PS-dependent phagocytosis by microglia in spine pruning of developing adult-born neurons

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Microglial phagocytosis of synapses and neurodevelopmental disorders