# Role of SPAK-NKCC1 signaling cascade in the choroid plexus blood-CSF barrier damage after stroke

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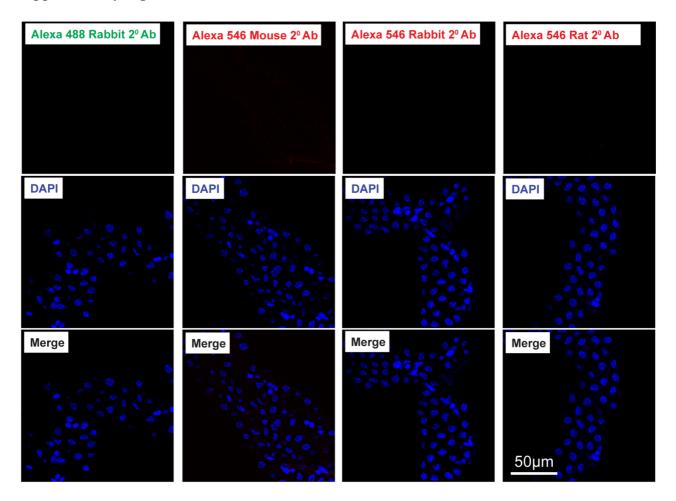
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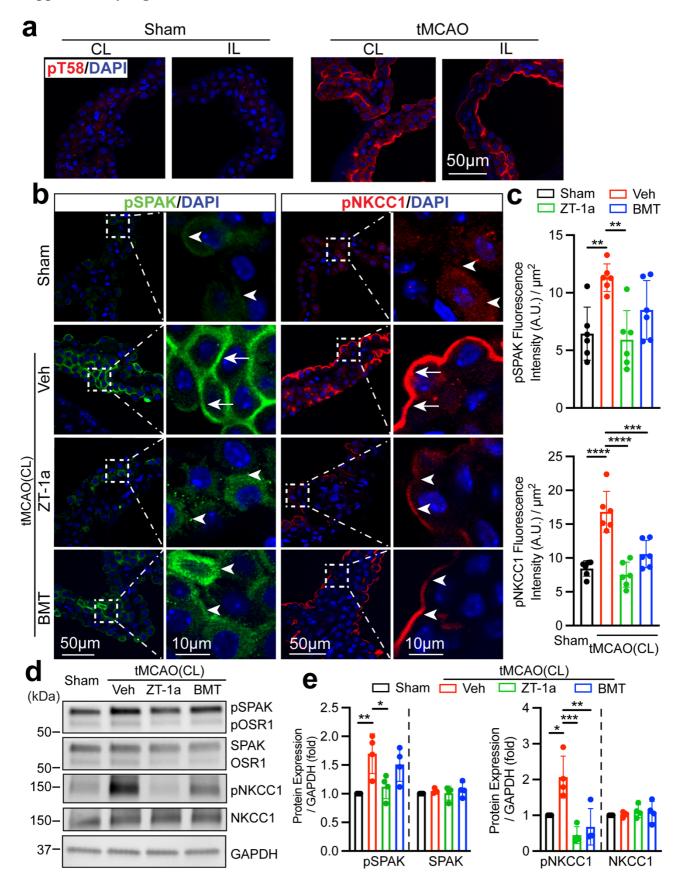
# Supplementary Table 1. List of antibodies used for immunofluorescence (IF), western blot (WB) and flow cytometry (Flow).

Antibody	Host	Dilution	Company	Catalog No.	Application
SPAK	Rabbit	1:200	Cell Signaling Technology	2281	
pSPAK	Rabbit	1:200	EMD Millipore	07-2273	
NKCC1	Rabbit	1:200	Abcam	ab59791	
pNKCC1	Rabbit	1:200	EMD Millipore	ABS1004	
pT58 NCC	Rabbit	1:500	N/A	N/A	
(pThr211	Rabbit	1:200	Wako Bioproducts	019-19741	IF
NKCC1)					
Iba1					
ZO-1	Rabbit	1:200	Invitrogen	40-2200	
Claudin-1	Rabbit	1:200	Invitrogen	51-9000	
Claudin-5	Mouse	1:200	Invitrogen	35-2500	
Cytokeratin	Mouse	1:200	Sigma	C2562	
MAP2	Mouse	1:200	EMD Millipore	MAB3418	
CD8	Rat	1:100	Invitrogen	14-0081-82	
SPAK/OSR1	Rabbit	1:300	N/A	N/A	WB
pSPAK/pOSR1	Rabbit	1:300	N/A	N/A	
NKCC1 (T4)	Mouse	1:3000	DSHB	T4	
pNKCC1	Rabbit	1:300	N/A	N/A	
pNF-κB p65	Rabbit	1:500	Cell Signaling Technology	3031S	
NF-κB p65	Rabbit	1:1000	Santa Cruz	SC-372	
MMP9	Rabbit	1:500	Abcam	ab283575	
GAPDH	Rabbit	1:5000	Cell Signaling Technology	2118S	
β-actin	Rabbit	1:5000	Cell Signaling Technology	4970S	
BUV395-CD11b	Rat	250	BD Biosciences	56353	Flow
APC-CD45	Rat	250	BioLegend	103111	
PerCP/Cy5.5-Ly6G	Rat	250	BioLegend	127615	
PE-Cy7-Ly-6C	Rat	250	BD Biosciences	560593	
BV421-CD3	Armenian Hamster	250	BioLegend	100336	
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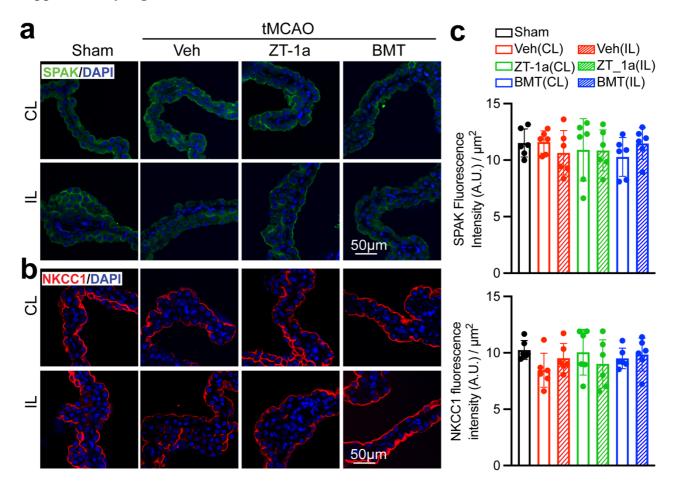
**Supplementary Figure 1. Immunostaining negative control.** 

Representative images of secondary antibody staining in the mouse LVCP with the following anibodies: Goat anti-rabbit Alexa 488, Goat anti-mouse Alexa 546, Goat anti-rabbit Alexa 546 and Goat anti-rat Alexa 546 at 1:200, images were taken under a 40x oil-immersion objective with identical setting.



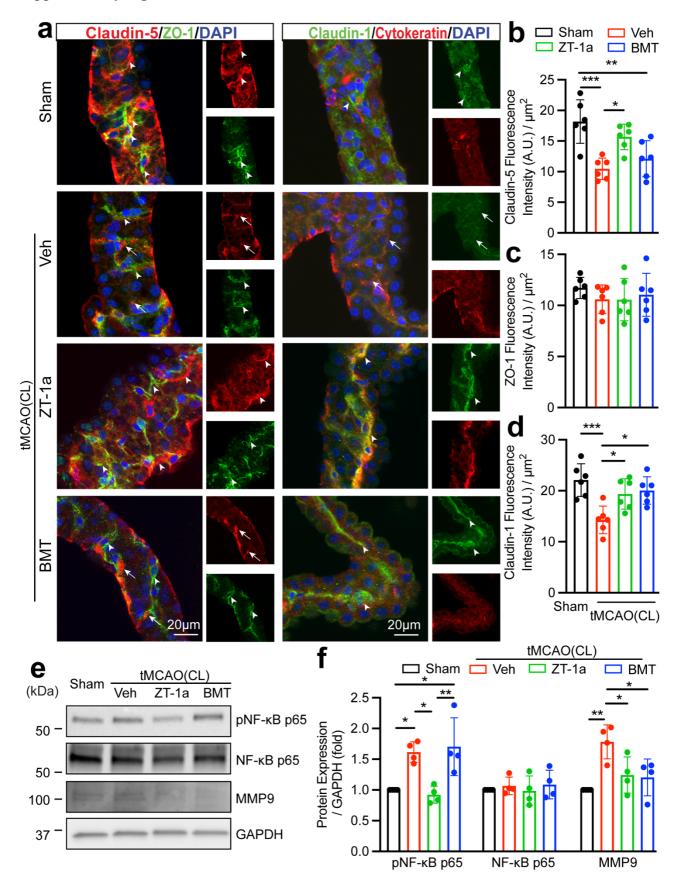
Supplementary Figure 2. Activation of SPAK-NKCC1 complex in choroid plexus post ischemic stroke.

**a.** Representative immunostaining images of a phosphorylated species (active) of pT58 in Sham or stroke ChP. **b.** Representative immunofluorescent images of pSPAK and pNKCC1 staining of lateral ventricle choroid plexus (LVCP) in the contralateral (CL) hemispheres in Sham, stroke Veh-control, ZT-1a or BMT-treated brains. Arrowheads: low level pSPAK and pNKCC1 expression. Arrows: elevated pSPAK or pNKCC1 expression. **c.** Quantification summary. Data is represented by mean  $\pm$  SD (n = 6, 4 male, 2 female), \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001, \*\*\*\*p < 0.0001. The Sham pSPAK and pNKCC1 data in panel **c** are the same as the Sham data presented in **Fig 3e. d.** Western blot analysis of SPAK-NKCC1 cascade expression in the CL of LVCP in Sham, Veh-control, ZT-1a- or BMT-treated mice at 24 h Rp after ischemic stroke. ChP tissue lysates were prepared and subjected to immunoblotting with the indicated antibodies. **e.** Immunoblot summary in ChP. Data are expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD (n = 4, 2 male, 2 female). \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001. One-way ANOVA.



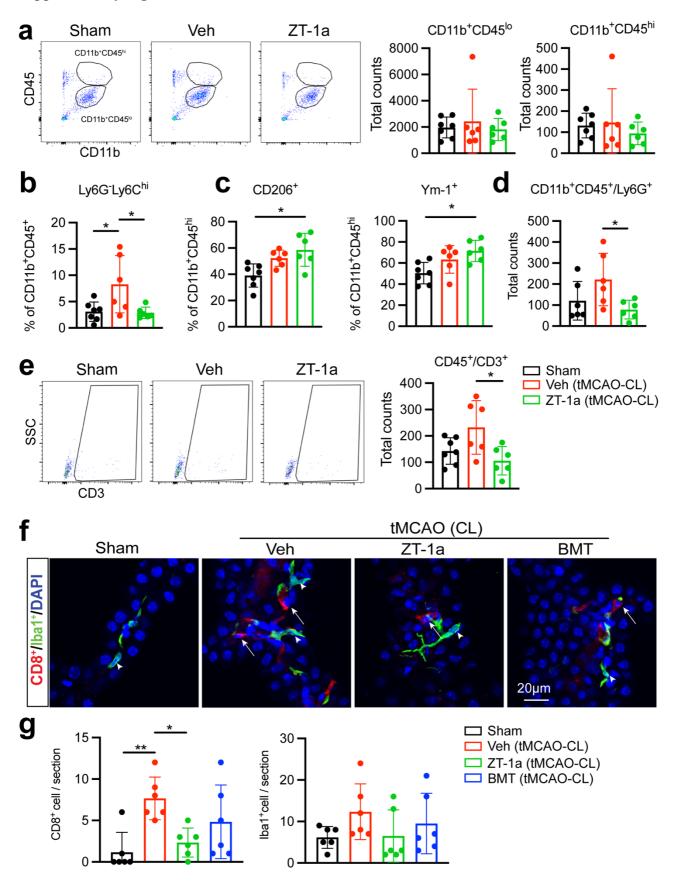
Supplementary Figure 3. Pharmacology block SPAK-NKCC1 cascade restore SPAK protein expression at the apical membrane of CPECs.

**a** and **b**. Representative confocal images of SPAK and NKCC1 protein expression in the contralateral (CL) and ipsilateral (IL) of lateral ventricle choroid plexus (LVCP) post-stroke. **c**. Summary data of SPAK and NKCC1 fluorescence intensity. Data is represented as mean  $\pm$ SD (n = 6, 4 male, 2 female).



Supplementary Figure 4. Blocking SPAK-NKCC1 cascade increased ChP tight junction integrity after ischemic stroke.

**a.** Representative confocal images of tight junction proteins (Claudin-5, ZO-1, Claudin-1) as well as the epithelial marker cytokeratin in the lateral ventricle choroid plexus (LVCP) of contralateral (CL) hemispheres of in Sham, stroke Veh-control, ZT-1a- or BMT-treated brains. Arrowheads: expression of Claudin-5, ZO-1 or Claudin-1. Arrows: Low level expression of Claudin-5 and Claudin-1. The Sham data in panel **b** - **d** are the same as the Sham data represented in **Fig. 4b** - **d**. Data are represented as mean ±SD (n = 6, 4 male, 2 female). \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001. **e.** Western blot analysis of pNF-Kb, NF-κB and MMP9 protein expression in the CL LVCP of Sham, stroke Veh-control, ZT-1a- and BMT-treated mice at 24 h reperfusion after stroke. ChP tissue lysates were prepared and subjected to immunoblotting with the indicated antibodies. **f.** Immunoblot quantitation. Data are means ± SD (n = 4, 2 male, 2 female). \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001. One-way ANOVA.



Supplementary Figure 5. Pharmacological inhibition of SPAK-NKCC1 cascade reduced immune cell infiltration in ChP.

**a.** Representative flow cytometric plots of CD11b<sup>+</sup>CD45<sup>lo</sup> or CD11b<sup>+</sup>CD45<sup>hi</sup> myeloid cells from the isolated CL ChP at 3 d post-surgery with quantification of total number of CD11b<sup>+</sup>CD45<sup>lo</sup> or CD11b<sup>+</sup>CD45<sup>hi</sup> myeloid cells in the ChP. **b** and **c.** Percentage of CD11b<sup>+</sup>CD45<sup>+</sup>Ly6G<sup>-</sup>Ly6C<sup>hi</sup> and CD206<sup>+</sup> and Ym-1<sup>+</sup> cells gated within CD11b<sup>+</sup>CD45<sup>+</sup> cells. **d.** Total number of CD11b<sup>+</sup>CD45<sup>+</sup>Ly6G<sup>+</sup> neutrophils in the ChP. **e.** Representative flow cytometric plots and the total number of CD3<sup>+</sup> T cells in the ChP. Data are mean  $\pm$  SD (n = 6-7). \*p < 0.05. One-way ANOVA. **f.** Representative images of CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells (arrows) and Iba1<sup>+</sup> microglia cells (arrowheads) of CL LVCP in Sham, stroke Vehcontrol, ZT-1a- or BMT-treated stroke mice at 24 h Rp. **g.** Summary. Data are mean  $\pm$  SD (n=6, 4 male, 2 female). \*p < 0.01, \*\*p < 0.001. One-way ANOVA.