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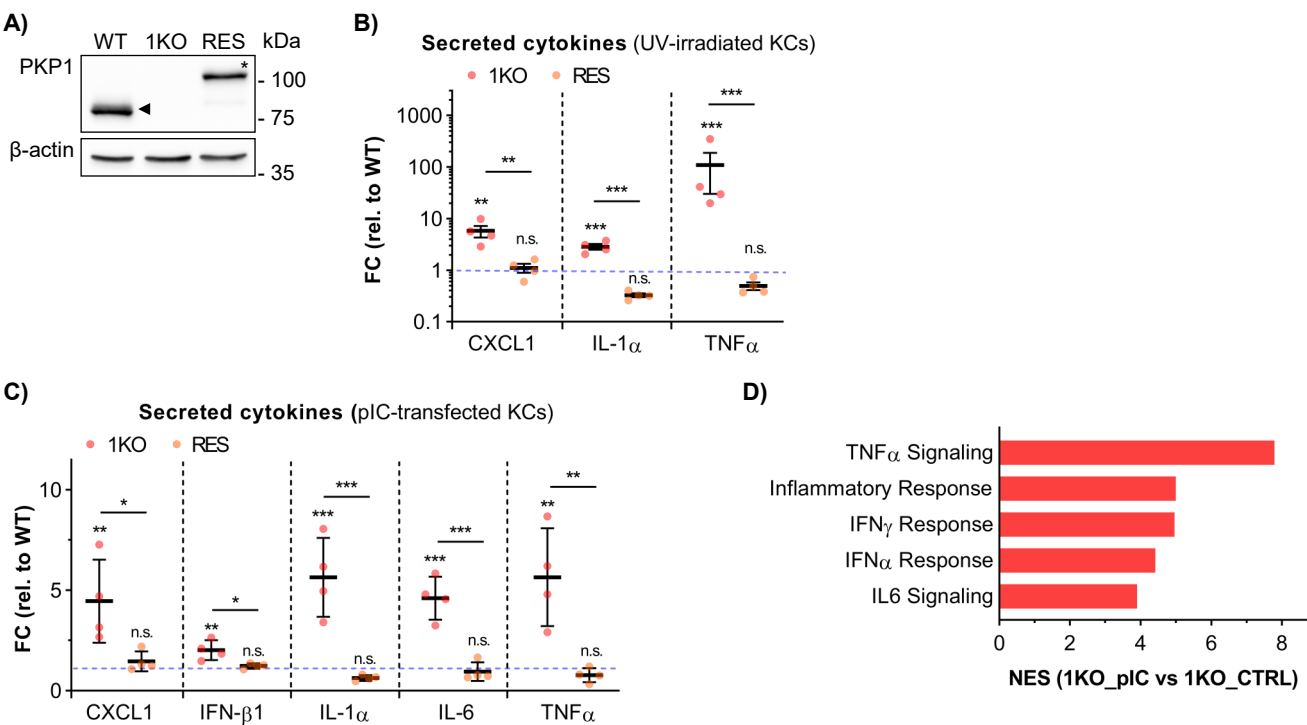
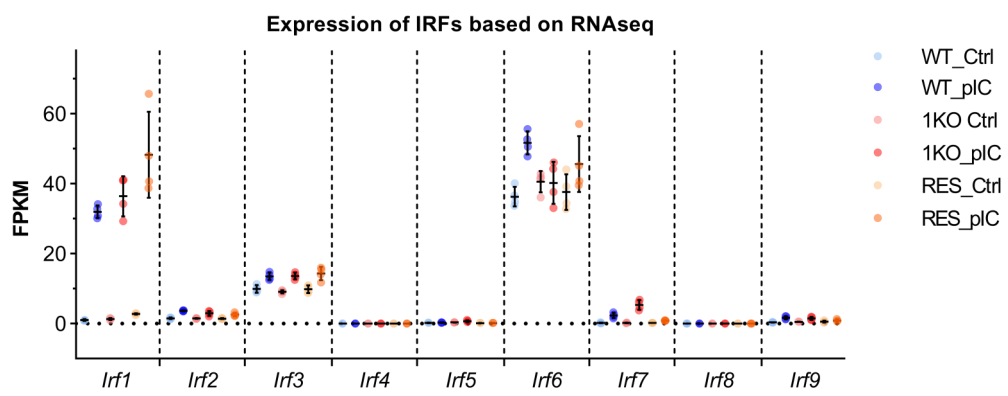
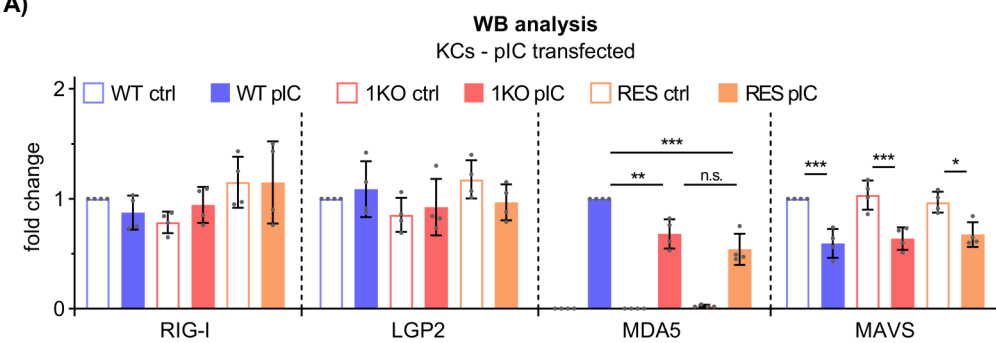


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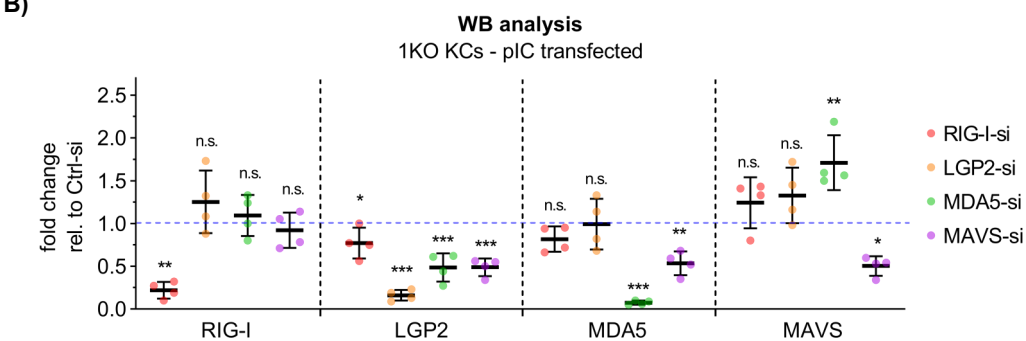


**Figure S3**

**A)**



**B)**



**Figure S4**

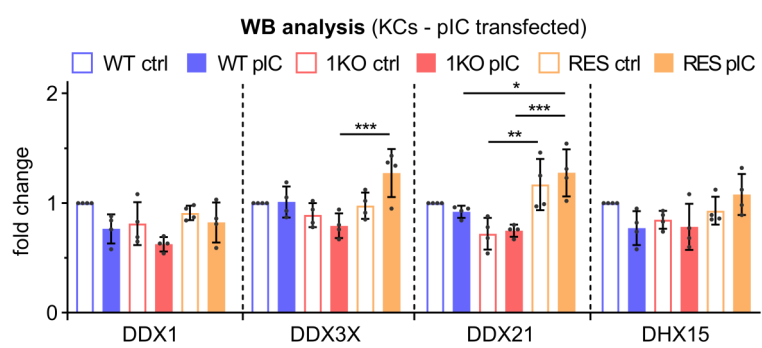


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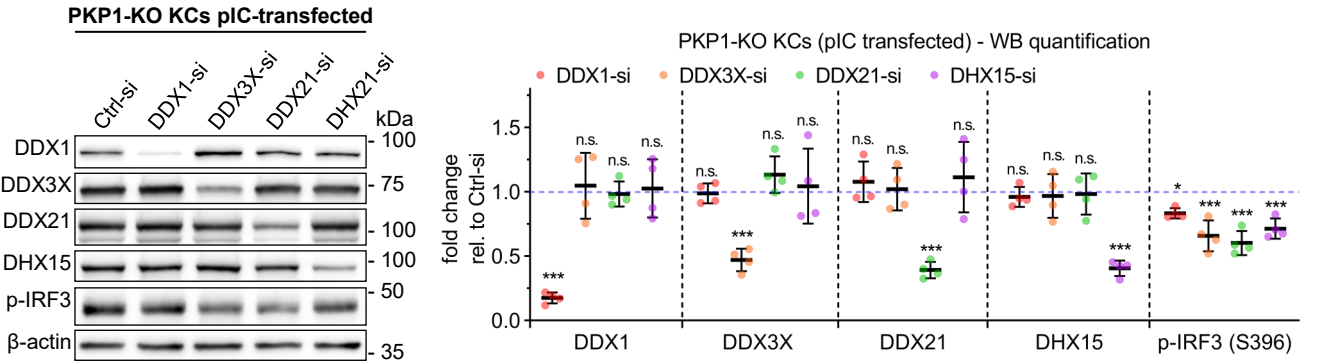


Figure S6

A)

PKP1 - phosphorylation sites



Motive A: RQK<sup>S54</sup>K<sup>S56</sup>S<sup>S57</sup>Q<sup>S59</sup>S<sup>S60</sup>T<sup>T61</sup>L<sup>S63</sup>H<sup>S65</sup>NRG<sup>S69</sup>

Motive B: DNYNYG<sup>T82</sup>T<sup>S84</sup>RSSYY

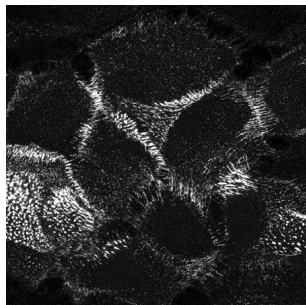
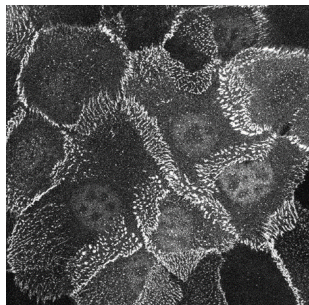
Motive C: DNRRF<sup>S118</sup>S<sup>S119</sup>Y<sup>S121</sup>QMENW<sup>S127</sup>RHYPR

Motive D: RG<sup>T166</sup>LRKG<sup>T171</sup>LG<sup>S174</sup>KGQK<sup>T179</sup>T<sup>T180</sup>QNRYS<sup>S185</sup>FYS<sup>S188</sup>T<sup>T189</sup>CS<sup>S191</sup>G

B)

PKP1-WT-EGFP

PKP1-4xA-EGFP



**Figure S1:** Loss of PKP1 increases secretion of pro-inflammatory cytokines. **(A)** Western blot analysis of WT, PKP1-KO (1KO) and PKP1-rescue (RES) KCs to depict PKP1 expression. Endogenous PKP1 (~ 82 kDa) is indicated by an arrowhead. PKP1-WT-EGFP (~ 136 kDa) expressed in PKP1-KO KCs (RES) is marked with an asterisk. **(B)** WT, PKP1-KO (1KO) and PKP1-rescue (RES) KCs where exposed to UV. After 24h the medium was collected to quantify the amounts of secreted CXCL1, IL-1 $\alpha$ , and TNF $\alpha$  using ELISA. Depicted are the mean fold changes ( $\pm$  SD) of secreted cytokines upon UV-treatment relative to WT cells (n = 4). **(C)** WT, PKP1-KO (1KO) and PKP1-rescue (RES) KCs where transfected with pIC. After 24h the medium was collected to quantify the amounts of secreted CXCL1, IFN- $\beta$ 1, IL-1 $\alpha$ , IL-6, and TNF $\alpha$  using ELISA. Depicted are the mean fold changes ( $\pm$  SD) of secreted cytokines upon pIC stimulation relative to WT cells (n = 4). **(D)** Normalized enrichment scores (NES) for the top 5 “mouse-ortholog hallmark” gene sets as determined by gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA). GSEA was performed using a gene list ranked by fold change expression between pIC-transfected PKP1-KO (1KO) and untreated 1KO KCs.

**Figure S2:** Expression of IRF family members in mouse KCs. mRNA level (FPKM, fragments per kilobase per million mapped reads) of IRFs in untreated (Ctrl) and pIC-transfected WT, PKP1-KO (1KO) and PKP1-rescue (RES) KCs based on RNA-seq data.

**Figure S3:** WB analysis of RLR signaling pathway. **(A)** Quantification of protein amounts derived from Western blot analysis of pIC transfected WT, 1KO and RES KCs shown in Fig. 5B. Depicted are the fold changes ( $\pm$  SD) of  $\beta$ -actin-normalized protein amounts in untreated (ctrl) and pIC transfected KCs relative to untreated (RIG-I, LGP2, MAVS) or pIC- (MDA5) transfected WT KCs (n = 4). **(B)** Quantification of protein amounts derived from Western blot analysis of 1KO KCs transfected with the indicated siPools prior to pIC stimulation. Depicted are the fold changes ( $\pm$  SD) of the respective protein amounts normalized to  $\beta$ -actin and relative to control siPool transfected 1KO KCs (blue dotted line; n = 4, related to Fig. 5C). Statistical significances were

determined by one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparison. n.s. = not significant; \*  $p < 0.05$ ; \*\*  $p < 0.01$ ; \*\*\*  $p < 0.001$ .

**Figure S4.** Quantification of DExD/H-box helicase expression in pIC transfected WT, 1KO and RES KCs. Quantification of protein amounts from immunoblots of DExD/H-box helicases.  $\beta$ -actin was used as loading control. Depicted are the fold changes ( $\pm$  SD) of the respective protein amounts in untreated and pIC transfected KCs normalized to  $\beta$ -actin and relative to untreated WT KCs ( $n = 4$ , related to Fig. 6D). Statistical significances were determined by one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparison. n.s. = not significant; \*  $p < 0.05$ ; \*\*  $p < 0.01$ ; \*\*\*  $p < 0.001$ .

**Figure S5.** Efficiency of DExD/H-box helicase knock down. Western blot analysis of 1KO KCs transfected with the indicated siPools prior to pIC stimulation. Left: Representative immunoblots of DExD/H-box helicases.  $\beta$ -actin was used as loading control. Right: Quantification of protein amounts. Depicted are the fold changes ( $\pm$  SD) of the respective protein amounts normalized to  $\beta$ -actin and relative to control siPool transfected 1KO KCs (blue dotted line;  $n = 4$ ). Statistical significances were determined by one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparison. n.s. = not significant; \*  $p < 0.05$ ; \*\*  $p < 0.01$ ; \*\*\*  $p < 0.001$ .

**Figure S6.** A PKP1 mutant covering several phosphorylation sites localizes to desmosomes. **(A)** Scheme showing the four motives in the head-domain of PKP1 that regulate its localization through phosphorylation. **(B)** Fluorescence images of PKP1-KO KCs either expressing PKP1-WT-EGFP or PKP1-4xA-EGFP incubated for 24h in HCM. Exchange of all serine and threonine residues depicted in (A) to alanine locks PKP1 at cell-cell contacts.



**Table S1: List of used siPools (defined pools of 30 selected siRNAs) obtained from siTools Biotech GmbH**

Target	NCBI Gene ID
non-targeting control	N/A
murine <i>Ddx1</i>	104721
murine <i>Ddx3x</i>	13205
murine <i>Dhx15</i>	13204
murine <i>Ddx21</i>	56200
murine <i>Rela</i> (p65)	19697
murine <i>Irf3</i>	54131
murine <i>Mavs</i>	228607
murine <i>Ifih1</i> (MDA5)	71586
murine <i>Dhx58</i> (LGP2)	80861
murine <i>Ddx21</i>	56200
murine <i>Rigi</i> (RIG-I, DDX58)	230073

**Table S2: List of used ELISA kits**

ELISA-Kit	Source	Identifier
ELISA MAX™ Standard Set Mouse IL-1 $\alpha$	BioLegend	Cat# 433401
ELISA MAX™ Standard Set Mouse IL-6	BioLegend	Cat# 431301
ELISA MAX™ Standard Set Mouse TNF- $\alpha$	BioLegend	Cat# 430901
Mouse CXCL1/KC DuoSet ELISA	R&D Systems	Cat# DY453-05
Mouse IFN-beta DuoSet ELISA	R&D Systems	Cat# DY8234-05

**Table S3: Primary antibodies including dilutions in Western Blot (WB), immunofluorescence (IF) or proximity ligation assay (PLA)**

<b>Antibody</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Identifier</b>	<b>Dilution</b>
c-Myc (D84C12) Rabbit mAb	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID: AB_1903938	1:1000 (WB)
DDX1 (A-7) Mouse mAb	Santa Cruz Biotechnology	RRID: AB_10650122	1:500 (WB) 1:250 (PLA)
DDX21 Rabbit pAb	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID: n.a. Cat# 75762	1:1000 (WB) 1:500 (PLA)
DDX3 (D19B4) Rabbit mAb	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID: AB_10860416	1:1000 (WB) 1:500 (PLA)
DHX15 (E-6) Mouse mAb	Santa Cruz Biotechnology	RRID: AB_10707990	1:1000 (WB) 1:500 (PLA)
GFP Rabbit pAb	Rockland	RRID: AB_828167	1:2000 (WB)
IRF-3 (D83B9) Rabbit mAb	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID: AB_1904036	1:500 (WB)
LGP2 Rabbit pAb	Thermo Fisher Scientific	RRID: AB_2855046	1:1000 (WB)
MAVS (E8Z7M) Rabbit mAb #83000	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID: AB_2927715	1:2000 (WB)
MDA-5 (D74E4) Rabbit mAb #5321	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID: AB_10694490	1:1000 (WB)
NF- $\kappa$ B p65 (D14E12) XP <sup>®</sup> Rabbit mAb #8242	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID: AB_10859369	1:2000 (WB) 1:1000 (IF)
Phospho-IRF-3 (Ser396) (D6O1M) Rabbit mAb #29047	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID:AB_2773013	1:500 (WB)
Phospho-NF- $\kappa$ B p65 (Ser536) (93H1) Rabbit mAb #3033	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID: AB_331284	1:1000 (WB)
PKP1 (10B2) Mouse mAb #sc-33636	Santa Cruz Biotechnology	RRID: AB_2164139	1:1000 (WB)
PKP1 Rabbit (serum)	Hatzfeld Lab	(1,2)	1:1000 (PLA)
RIG-I (D14G6) Rabbit mAb #3743	Cell Signaling Technology	RRID: AB_2269233	1:1000 (WB) 1:500 (PLA)
$\beta$ -actin Mouse mAb #A2228	Sigma-Aldrich	RRID: AB_476697	1:2000 (WB)

**Table S4: List of secondary antibodies including dilutions in immunoblot (IB) and immunofluorescence (IF)**

Antibody	Source	Identifier	Dilution
Peroxidase-AffiniPure Donkey Anti-Mouse IgG	Jackson ImmunoResearch Labs	RRID: AB_2340770	1:20,000 (WB)
Peroxidase-AffiniPure Donkey Anti-Rabbit IgG	Jackson ImmunoResearch Labs	RRID: AB_10015282	1:40,000 (WB)
Alexa Fluor® 488 AffiniPure F(ab') <sub>2</sub> Fragment Donkey Anti- Rabbit IgG	Jackson ImmunoResearch Labs	RRID: AB_2340619	1:500 (IF)

**Table S5: Sequences of primers (FW = forward primer, REV = reverse primer) used in qRT-PCR**

Primer	Sequence 5' --> 3'
<i>Eef2</i> -mouse FW	ATGAGGCCGCCATGGGTATTA
<i>Eef2</i> -mouse REV	TAGTTGGGGCCCATGATCCG
<i>Cxcl1</i> -mouse FW	AAGAATGGTCGCGAGGCTTG
<i>Cxcl1</i> -mouse REV	GTGTTGTCAGAAGCCAGCGT
<i>Il1a</i> -mouse FW	GTCAACTCATTGGCGCTTGA
<i>Il1a</i> -mouse REV	TGCAAGTCTCATGAAGTGAGC
<i>Il6</i> -mouse FW	AACGATGATGCACTTGCAGAAA
<i>Il6</i> -mouse REV	TGGTACTCCAGAAGACCAGAG
<i>Tnf</i> -mouse FW	GCCTATGTCTCAGCCTCTTCTC
<i>Tnf</i> -mouse REV	AGGGTCTGGGCCATAGAACTG
<i>Ifnb1</i> -mouse FW	CGTGGGAGATGTCCTCAACT
<i>Ifnb1</i> -mouse REV	CTGAAGATCTCTGCTCGGACC

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