The nuclear transport receptor TNPO1 binds macrophage immunometabolism
regulator MACIR via a PY-NLS motif

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Abstract

Expression of the macrophage immunometabolism regulator gene (MACIR) is associated
with severity of autoimmune disease pathology and the regulation of macrophage biology
through unknown mechanisms. The 206 amino acid protein lacks homology to any
characterized protein sequence and is a disordered protein according to structure prediction
algorithms. Here we identify specific interactions of MACIR using a fragment
complementation-based affinity pull down of cellular proteins prepared with a membrane
solubilization buffer. Quantitative mass spectrometry showed enrichment of nuclear and
mitochondrial proteins and of 63 significant interacting proteins, binding to the nuclear
transport receptor TNPO1 and trafficking proteins UNC119 homolog A and B were validated
by immunoprecipitation. Analysis of mutations in two candidate recognition motifs in the
MACIR amino acid sequence confirmed TNPO1 binds via a PY-NLS motif (aa98-117).
Characterizing nuclear MACIR activity in macrophage and fibroblasts is a priority with
respect to developing strategies for treatment of autoimmune disease.

Introduction

MACIR, previously named C5orf30, is a negative regulator of tissue damage and
inflammation in rheumatoid arthritis (RA). It is highly expressed in the synovium of
rheumatoid arthritis patients where it is predominately expressed by fibroblasts and
macrophages (1). Reduced MACIR expression is an early event in the pathogenesis of RA
and is negatively correlated with both Disease Activity Score for Rheumatoid Arthritis with
ESR (DAS-ESR) and synovial Tumor Necrosis Factor (TNF) expression in early RA patients
(2). Loss of expression contributes to the pathology of inflammatory arthritis *in vivo*, with
inhibition of MACIR in the collagen-induced arthritis model leading to accentuated joint
inflammation and tissue damage, and an increased inflammatory phenotype in a zebrafish
model of wound healing (1,2). MACIR regulates macrophage cell phenotype, with increased
MACIR expression found in M2-like anti-inflammatory macrophages. Its activity is regulated
by multiple mechanisms in response to immune stimulants that include transcriptional and
post-translational modifications and differential protein turn over (2). Inhibition of MACIR
expression reduces wound healing/repair–associated functions of macrophages, reduces
signaling required for resolution of inflammation, and decreases secretion of anti-
inflammatory mediators (2). The ability of MACIR to negatively regulate inflammation is due,
at least in part, to its role in regulating macrophage immunometabolism. In addition, recent
evidence from the Human Pathology Atlas indicates that MACIR may be an unfavourable
prognostic marker in liver and endometrial cancer. A CCNH: MACIR fusion was identified as
a recurrent fusion gene across multiple cancer types (3-5). Thus, understanding more about
the function of MACIR has wide ranging implications for health and disease.

MACIR is found exclusively in vertebrates and is tightly conserved between vertebrate
species. However sequence analysis fails to identify homology to another vertebrate gene or
protein. Modelling of protein secondary structure indicates that the protein is disordered
without significant α-helical or β-sheet content preventing informative structure function
analysis. Identifying mechanisms behind the function of this protein in the cell can be
approached without this information through the identification of protein-protein interaction
networks, their subcellular localization and the characterization of specific motifs and amino
acids in the MACIR protein mediating these interactions.

In this study we have employed a membrane solubilization buffer (MSB) to enrich proteins
from all cellular compartments from transfected HEK293T cells prior to pull down of affinity
tagged MACIR and quantitative mass spectrometry analysis. We have previously developed
a calcium-dependent fragment complementation-based affinity pull down system that used
the highly specific recognition between two peptide fragments, EF1 & EF2, of a small
calcium binding protein to pull down overexpressed kinase proteins from HEK293T cells and
7 transmembrane proteins from *Escherichia coli* membranes using MSB. This buffer
contains a high concentration of glycerol and a cocktail of detergents to disrupt cellular and
intracellular membranes and stabilise membrane proteins in detergent micelles (6,7). Protein
complexes are eluted from the affinity matrix through calcium chelation and dissociation of
the EF peptides prior to digestion and MS analysis, improving the signal to noise ratio for the
identification of significant interactions. We then validate specific MACIR interactions with
immunoprecipitation and use mutational analysis to characterize interacting motifs.

Results & Discussion

Affinity pull down of EF1-MACIR in RIPA & MSB

To determine the optimum conditions for pull down of MACIR interactors we performed
western blot analysis of EF2 agarose pull downs of EF1-MACIR from normalised total
protein lysates prepared with two cell lysis buffer formulations. MSB enriched more EF1-
MACIR protein for pull down than RIPA buffer and the total amount of pulled down protein
was also enhanced (Figure 1A i & ii). The empty vector control lysate and pull down for MSB
is shown for comparison (Figure 1A iii). For mass spectrometry analysis proteins were eluted
from the agarose prior to preparing peptides with tryptic digestion, followed by label-free
quantitative mass spectrometry. Significant interactors were identified by dividing the
average LFQ intensities found in the EF1-tagged MACIR samples by those identified in the
EF1-tagged empty vector control. An LFQ intensity ratio greater than 2 with a p-value of less
than 0.05 following t-test analysis was considered significant (8,9,10). A total of 9 proteins
were identified as significant interactors in RIPA buffer pull downs, while these 9 proteins
and 54 others were identified in MSB prepared lysates (Figure 1B, Table S1). RIPA buffer is
commonly used to solubilize cells for immunoprecipitation and affinity pull down based mass
spectrometry studies but it is clear from our data that a number of significant interactions
with membrane bound proteins e.g., the mitochondrial ATP synthase subunits ATP5C1,
ATP5L and ATP5A1, and proteins from membrane bound organelles e.g., nuclear PRKDC,
would not have been identified without MSB cell lysis. The top 20 interactors identified with
this approach, ranked by LFQ ratio, showed that in addition to the cytosolic proteins
UNC119B and 14-3-3 proteins (YWAH, YWHAE and YWAHG) identified in both buffer
conditions, the majority of interacting proteins were from nuclear and mitochondrial
compartments identified in the MSB samples (Figure 1C).

14-3-3 protein isoforms are adapter proteins implicated in regulating a large number of
general and specialized signaling pathways usually by recognition of a phosphoserine or
phosphothreonine motif. They are likely to interact with MACIR via phosphoserine residues
at positions 38 and 49 that are both confirmed in phosphopeptide mass spectrometry

analysis (11) and are both predicted to be within 14-3-3 binding motifs (12) and manually
curated linear motif database motifs (13).

Figure 1. Proteomic analysis of MACIR binding interactions. (A) EF2 agarose pull down
and elution of (i) EF1-tagged MACIR with RIPA buffer (ii) EF1-tagged MACIR with MSB (iii)
EF1-tagged empty vector control with MSB (1:Input, 2:Unbound, 3-7:washes, 8-10:Eluates),
probed with anti-EF1 polyclonal antibody. (B) Venn diagram of significant interactors
identified with mass spectrometry in RIPA and MSB samples. (C) Top 20 MACIR interactors
ranked by LFQ intensity ratio with proteins identified in MSB alone identified in yellow and in
both buffers in blue.

Immunoprecipitation validation of TNPO1 & UNC119 interactions with FLAG-MACIR

To confirm the specificity of the interactions identified with the mass spectrometry-based
approach we next immunoprecipitated FLAG-tagged MACIR with anti-FLAG M2 sepharose
beads and detected the co-precipitation of TNPO1 (Figure 2A i), and UNC119A and B (Fig
2A ii) from transfected HEK293T cell lysates. Anti-MACIR and anti-FLAG antibody controls
confirmed specificity (Fig 2A ii) of the method. The interaction with UNC119 proteins
confirms a previously reported interaction in a proteomics dataset in HEK293T cells (14). In
the cell UNC119B has been shown to be required for localization of myristoylated proteins
(15), while UNC119A cargo localization has been shown to regulate T-cell and macrophage
signaling activities (16). TNPO1 is a transport receptor that transports substrates from the
cytoplasm to the nucleus through nuclear pore complexes by recognizing nuclear

localization signals (NLSs) and identification of this interaction raises the intriguing question
of what is the function of MACIR in the nucleus. To confirm that it does localize to the
nucleus in HEK293T cells we studied endogenous MACIR distribution with
immunocytochemistry and confocal microscopy. Imaging of anti-MACIR stained HEK293T
cells confirmed that MACIR is localized to the nucleus as well as the cytoplasm (Figure 2B).

Figure 2. Validation of MACIR binding interactions and identification of nuclear
localization of endogenous MACIR in HEK293T cells. (A) (i) Immunoprecipitation (IP) of
FLAG-MACIR, TNPO1 and MACIR and western blot with anti-TNPO1 and anti-MACIR

antibodies (ii) anti-FLAG IP of FLAG-MACIR and probing with anti-UNC119A and UNC119B
antibodies and anti-FLAG antibody controls. (B) Confocal imaging of anti-MACIR staining in
HEK293T cells at 60X magnification

TNPO1 recognizes cargo for import to the nucleus via PY-NLS motifs that are structurally
disordered in free substrates, have overall basic character, and possess a central
hydrophobic or basic motif followed by a C-terminal R/H/KX(2-5)PY consensus sequence
(17). We analysed two candidate consensus TNPO1 binding sites in the primary sequence
of MACIR (Fig 2A), that were previously described in other TNPO1 substrate proteins
(17,18). We mutated proline/tyrosine (PY) residues to alanine/glutamine and analysed
TNPO1 co-immunoprecipitation with FLAG-tagged MACIR P116A/Y117Q and MACIR
P142A/Y143Q mutants. Our results show that TNPO1 binding to the MACIR P116/Y117Q
mutant is lost while binding to P142A/Y143Q mutant is maintained, confirming that TNPO1
binds to MACIR via the PY-NLS recognition motif at amino acid positions 98-117 (Fig 2B i).
Finally, we probed the subcellular fractions from these transfected cells with anti-MACIR and
show a dysregulation of the subcellular localization of the P116A/Y117Q mutant with
cytosolic accumulation of the mutant protein (Fig 2B ii).

A.

B. (i)

Figure 3. Mutational analysis of candidate TNPO1 recognition sites in MACIR. (A) Two
candidate TNPO1 recognition sites studied underlined, with specific residues identified in the
consensus sequence motif in bold and mutated PY residues shown in red. (B) (i) Anti-FLAG

148   IP of FLAG-MACIR wt, P116A/117Q and P142A/Y143Q and probing with anti-TNPO1 and
149   anti-MACIR (ii) Probing of subcellular fractions C (cytosol), M (membrane) and N (nuclear)
150   with anti-MACIR.

Conclusion

Our previous research has highlighted the potential for pro-resolution signaling in
macrophages as a novel therapeutic target. Therapeutic agents that regulate localization of
MACIR to particular sub-compartments may in the future yield pro-resolution treatments in
inflammatory diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis. Identification of MACIR in the nucleus
and characterization of a specific interaction with the nuclear receptor protein TNPO1 in this
study highlights a promising avenue of future investigation in macrophage and fibroblast
cells.

Materials and Methods

Chemicals and reagents.

DNA PCR primers and construct sequencing were from MWG Eurofins Genomics
(eurofinsgenomics.com). Restriction enzymes were from New England Biolabs (neb.com).
EF2 agarose resin was from BlackLabBio (blacklabbio.com). Anti-MACIR (anti-C5orf30,
HPA043434) polyclonal antibody, anti-UNC119A monoclonal antibody (SAB1404669), anti-
FLAG monoclonal antibody (A8592) and anti-FLAG agarose were from Sigma
(sigmaaldrich.com). Anti-EF1 polyclonal antibody (sc-28532) and Protein G agarose were
from Santa Cruz (scbt.com). Anti-UNC119B polyclonal antibody (PA5-24504) was from
ThermoFisher (thermofisher.com). Anti-TNPO1 monoclonal antibody was from AbCam
(abcam.com). Cholesteryl hemisuccinate Tris salt (CHS) and detergents 3-[(3-
cholamidopropyl) dimethylammonio]-1-propanesulfonate (CHAPS) and n-dodecyl-β-D-
maltoside (DDM) were from Anatrace (anatrace.com).

Cloning

EF1-tagged genes EF1-N-MACIR and EF1-C-MACIR were prepared by PCR. The forward
primer: 5'-GGATCCGAAGTCGATATTAATG-3' included a BamHI restriction site. The
reverse primer: 5'-AAGCTTTGTATTATTCCTAGC-3' included a HindIII restriction site for
cloning into the expression vectors pEF1N-CMV and pEF1C-CMV. FLAG-tagged MACIR wt,
P116A/Y117Q and P142A/Y143Q mutants with a C terminal FLAG tag were synthesized by
Genscript (genscript.com).

Cell culture and DNA transfection

HEK293T cells were seeded at 800,000 cells per 10 cm^3 dish with Dulbecco's Modified
Eagle Media containing 10% foetal bovine serum (FBS) supplemented with penicillin and
streptomycin. Cells were grown to 60-80% confluency prior to transfection. Transfection was
performed as per manufacturer's protocol (mirusbio.com) using 5 μg DNA and 2.4μl TransIT-
2020/ μg of plasmid DNA made up in 1ml serum-free media. The transfection reagent:DNA
complex mixture was incubated for 20 minutes at room temperature. Samples were then
added drop-wise to pre-warmed media containing 10% FBS without penicillin and
streptomycin and agitated. Cells were incubated at 37°C for 24 hours.

Harvesting and lysis of cells

Cells were washed twice with PBS. Cells were harvested in 750 μl of RIPA (20 mM Tris-HCl,
150 mM NaCl, 1% Deoxycholic acid, 1% NP-40, 2 mM $CaCl_2$, phosphatase and protease
inhibitors) or MSB (50 mM Tris-HCl, 200 mM NaCl, 0.5% CHAPS, 0.1% CHS, 1% DDM,
30% Glycerol, 2 mM $CaCl_2$, pH 7.5 and phosphatase and protease inhibitors) per 10 cm^3
dish using a cell scraper. Cell pellets were mechanically disrupted via aspiration through a

21-gauge needle in the lysis buffer. Cells were centrifuged at 10,000 x g for 10 minutes at
4°C, retaining the supernatant. The total protein concentration was determined using
bicinchoninic acid (BCA) assay (Pierce) and concentrations normalised for samples used in
subsequent analyses.

Affinity pull-down of EF1-MACIR from transfected lysates

EF2 agarose and unconjugated control beads were collected by centrifugation at 1,000 x g
for 1 minute at 4°C. Beads were washed five times in 1 ml lysis buffer and 1.5 mg of lysate
samples were precleared by incubation at 4°C for 1 hour using non-conjugated beads. The
agarose beads were collected by centrifugation at 5,000 x g at 4°C for 1 minute and the
supernatant was retained. The precleared lysate was incubated overnight at 4°C with EF2
agarose beads or non-conjugated beads as a negative control. Following incubation,
samples were collected by centrifugation at 5,000 x g for 1 minute at 4°C. Samples were
washed five times in lysis buffer. Following wash procedure, EF1-MACIR was eluted from
the EF2-agarose beads using elution buffer (RIPA or MSB + 10 mM EDTA) by resuspension
and allowing samples to incubate for 5 minutes at room temperature. Beads were collected
by centrifugation at 5,000 x g for 1 minute and the supernatant was collected. Elution was
repeated 5 times. Samples were stored at -80°C prior to further analysis.

Mass Spectrometry Sample preparation:

Samples were mixed with 400 µl of 8 M urea in 0.1 M Tris-HCl, pH 8.9 using a clean
eppendorf. Samples were concentrated in Vivacon spin ultracentrifugation units at 14,000 x
g for 15 minutes at 20°C for 15 minutes. 200 µl of 8 M urea in 0.1 M Tris-HCl, pH 8.9 was
added to the filter unit and spun for 15 minutes at 20°C. The flow through was discarded and
100 µl of 0.05 M iodoacetamide/ 8 M urea in 0.1 M Tris-HCl, pH 8.9 added to the filter units.
The samples were mixed for 1 minute at 600 rpm in a thermo-mixer and incubated in
darkness for 20 minutes. A further spin at 14,000 x g for 10 minutes at 20°C was performed
and then two washes with 100 µl of 8 M urea in 0.1 M Tris-HCl, pH 8.9, and a further two
washes with 100 µl of 0.05 M NH_4HCO_3. The filter units were transferred to new collection
tube and 40 µl of 0.05 M NH_4HCO_3 with trypsin (enzyme to protein ratio 1:50) added to the
filter units and mixed at 600 rpm in a thermo-mixer for 1 minute. Filters were incubated on a
wet chamber overnight at 37°C, spun at 14,000 x g for 15 minutes at 20°C to collect
digested peptides. The filter units were washed once with 40 µl of 0.05 M NH_4HCO_3 to make
a total volume of 80 µl per sample. The samples were measured with a NanoDrop™2000 to
determine peptide concentration. c18 ZipTips were first equilibrated by aspirating 10 µl
wetting solution (50% acetonitrile in 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid) twice prior to collection at
10,000 rpm for 5 min. Protein from the tryptic digest supernatants was aspirated and
dispensed up to 10 times and washing solution (0.1% trifluoroacetic acid in ddH$_2$O) was
aspirated and dispensed twice through the ZipTip. 10 µL of elution solution (50% acetonitrile
in 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid) was dispensed into a clean tube followed by aspiration and
dispensing of the sample through the ZipTip at least 3 times without the introduction of air.
Samples were evaporated on a CentriVap Concentrator for 10-15 min, allowing for a small
retentate volume (6 µL). The sample was finally resuspended in 20 µL of 0.1% formic acid
and centrifuged for 5 min at 15,000 rpm. 16 µL of this sample was transferred to a clean
mass spectrometry vial for analysis.

Mass spectrometry:

Mass spectrometry was performed using an Ultimate3000 RSLC system that was coupled to
an Orbitrap Fusion Tribrid mass spectrometer (Thermo Fisher Scientific). Following tryptic
digest, the peptides were loaded onto a nano-trap column (300 µm i.d x 5mm precolumn that
was packed with Acclaim PepMap100 C18, 5 µm, 100 Å; Thermo Scientific) running at a
flow rate of 30 µl/min in 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid made up in HPLC water. The peptides were
eluted and separated on the analytical column (75 µm i.d. × 25 cm, Acclaim PepMap RSLC

C18, 2μm, 100 Å; Thermo Scientific) after 3 minutes by a linear gradient from 2% to 30% of
buffer B (80% acetonitrile and 0.08% formic acid in HPLC water) in buffer A (2% acetonitrile
and 0.1% formic acid in HPLC water) using a flow rate of 300 nl/min over 150 minutes. The
remaining peptides were eluted using a short gradient from 30% to 95% in buffer B for 10
minutes. The mass spectrometry parameters were as follows: for full mass spectrometry
spectra, the scan range was 335-1500 with a resolution of 120,000 at m/z=200. MS/MS
acquisition was performed using top speed mode with 3 seconds cycle time. Maximum
injection time was 50 ms. The AGC target was set to 400,000, and the isolation window was
1 m/z. Positive Ions with charge states 2-7 were sequentially fragmented by higher energy
collisional dissociation. The dynamic exclusion duration was set at 60 seconds and the lock
mass option was activated and set to a background signal with a mass of 445.12002.

Analysis of mass spectrometry data:

MS data analysis was performed using MaxQuant (version 1.5.3.30). Trypsin was set to be
the digesting enzyme with maximal 2 missed cleavages. Cysteine carbamidomethylation
was set for fixed modifications, and oxidation of methionine and N-thermal acetylation were
specified as variable modifications. The data was then analysed with the minimum ratio
count of 2. The first search peptide was set to 20, the main search peptide tolerance to 5
ppm and the 2re-quantify2 option was selected. For protein and peptide identification the
Human subset of the SwissProt database (Release 2015_12) was used and the
contaminants were detected using the MaxQuant contaminant search. A minimum peptide
number of 1 and a minimum of 6 amino acids was tolerated. Unique and razor peptides were
used for quantification. The match between run option was enabled with a match time
window of 0.7 minutes and an alignment window of 20 minutes. A statistical analysis of the
cut off ratio and two-sample t-test was done to determine interactors.

Immunoprecipitation

0.5-1.5 mg cell lysates were used for immunoprecipitation experiments. Protein G agarose
beads (Santa Cruz Biotechnology) or FLAG beads (Sigma) were collected by centrifugation
at 10,000 x g for 30 seconds and washed three times in lysis buffer. 30 μl of FLAG beads or
30 μl protein G agarose beads were used per 0.5-1.5 mg of sample. The appropriate amount
of antibody and equivalent amount of rabbit or mouse IgG control antibody was used per
sample as per instructed by the manufactures data sheet. Samples were incubated with
rotation for 1-4 hours at 4°C. After incubation samples were washed with lysis buffer three
times. The beads containing the protein of interest were resuspended in 2x Laemmli loading
buffer and boiled for 5 minutes and analysed by western blotting.

Immunocytochemistry

Cells (25,000 per well) were seeded into 8-well chamber slides. Cells were fixed in 4%
paraformaldehyde solution and permeabilised with 0.5% Triton X solution, washed in PBS
and incubated with primary antibody (Rabbit Anti-MACIR 1/200 dilution) overnight at 4^0C
with agitation. Cells were washed in PBS and incubated with secondary antibody (Alexa-488
Anti-Rabbit 1/600 dilution) for two hours at room temperature, washed with PBS and a #1.5
coverslip mounted using Fluroshield™ with DAPI mounting media. Confocal images were
acquired on a FluoView FV1000 laser scanning microscope (Olympus, Tokyo, Japan).
Images were acquired with a 60x/1.35 NA UPlanSApo oil immersion objective (Olympus,
Tokyo, Japan) at a resolution of 1024 × 1024 pixels in sequential scanning model. Images
were pseudo-coloured in ImageJ.

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Supplementary Information

Rank	Accession no.	Gene ID	Protein ID	Ratio	p-value
1	A6NIH7	UNC119B	Protein unc-119 homolog B	2188877.667	0.005010394
2	O75964	TNPO1	Transportin-1	714604.25	0.0015138
3	P06493	PRKDC	DNA-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunit	610356.8333	0.00073353
4	P12236	TUBA1A	Tubulin alpha chain	209428.5	0.00051621
5	P17812	TUFM	Elongation factor Tu, mitochondrial	209274.25	0.017929096
6	P22695	SLC25A6	ADP/ATP translocase 3	163923.5	0.007761388
7	P23528	CTPS1	CTP synthase 1	158594.4167	0.00373827
8	P36542	CFL1	Cofilin-1 (Fragment)	125731.4167	0.000114529
9	P38646	ATP5C1	ATP synthase subunit gamma, mitochondrial	100683	0.007021151
10	P48643	CDK1	Cell division cycle 2, G1 to S and G2	90244	0.000352239
11	P49411	UQCRC2	Cytochrome b-c1 complex subunit 2, mitochondrial	67677.33333	0.012875661
12	Q15366	PCBP2	Poly(rC)-binding protein 2 (Fragment)	66658.58333	0.003726351
13	P78527	HSPA9	Stress-70 protein, mitochondrial (Frag	46963.91667	0.027383135
14	Q71U36	CCT5	T-complex protein 1 subunit epsilon	42465.25	0.000647216
15	Q92973	ATP5L	ATP synthase subunit g, mitochondrial	25262.91667	0.000104349
16	Q9Y285	FARSA	Phenylalanine--tRNA ligase alpha s	25183.16667	0.009153859
17	Q04917	YWHAH	14-3-3 protein eta	1504.331644	0.000120263
18	P62258	YWHAE	14-3-3 protein epsilon	797.9775535	0.006183875
19	P25705	ATP5A1	ATP synthase subuni	413.9961317	0.001778007
20	P35232	YWHAG	14-3-3 protein gamma	181.590073	0.004740271
21	P17844	TUBA1B	Tubulin alpha chain (Fragment)	172.0915202	0.003703187
22	Q99623	TCP1	T-complex protein 1 subunit alpha	149.9763043	7.87619E-05
23	P61981	TUBB	Tubulin beta chain	139.3387543	0.035847875
24	O00571	DNAJA2	DnaJ homolog subfamily A member 2	98.96949369	0.013628108
25	P50991	EIF4A1	Eukaryotic initiation factor 4A-I (Fragment)	92.64070358	0.003837401
26	P40227	SLC25A5	ADP/ATP translocase 1	86.66955062	0.016139937
27	P11142	DDX3X	ATP-dependent RNA helicase DDX3X	58.91483967	8.70866E-05
28	P08579	YWHAB	14-3-3 protein beta/alpha	55.78320274	2.83766E-07
29	Q96GV9	CCT6A	T-complex protein 1 subunit zeta	49.69527202	0.000884445
30	P07437	EIF4A3	Eukaryotic initiation factor 4	47.02738754	0.013055142
31	P17987	PHB2	Prohibitin-2 (Fragmen	42.76787994	0.002970584
32	P62258	VIM	Vimentin	41.89368387	1.00851E-05
33	P31946	YWHAZ	14-3-3 protein zeta/delta	37.07898738	0.023556993
34	P49368	RAN	GTP-binding nuclear protein Ran (Fragment)	36.61057602	0.016261471
35	Q13838	CCT3	T-complex protein 1 subunit gamma	36.53517568	0.00605909
36	P08670	PHB	Prohibitin (Fragment)	25.56878028	0.012140066
37	P62899	CCT4	T-complex protein 1 subunit delta	24.81241168	0.046268763
38	P54886	DDX5	Probable ATP-dependent RNA helicase	20.93771386	0.000957558
39	P62826	HSPA8	Heat shock cognate 71 kDa protein (Fragment)	15.82392039	0.027874847
40	P05141	HSPA1B	Heat shock 70 kDa protein 1B	15.07030029	0.01188753
41	P60842	SFN	14-3-3 protein sigma	13.49162396	0.000470413
42	P40429	HSP90AB1	Heat shock protein HSP 90-beta	11.77945787	0.002864637
43	P08238	YWHAQ	14-3-3 protein theta (Fragment)	11.35758335	0.000621791
44	P18621	PKM	Pyruvate kinase PKM	11.11246684	0.000329013
45	P14618	HSPA8	Heat shock cognate 71 kDa protein	10.92852765	2.28664E-05
46	P67809	EEF1A1	Elongation factor 1-alpha 1	9.588059443	1.07101E-06
47	P0C7W0	DDX39B	Spliceosome RNA helicase DDX3	7.873091726	0.000320406
48	P63104	HSPA6	Putative heat shock 70 kDa protein 7	7.536758706	0.005411945
49	Q71UM5	RPL17	60S ribosomal protein L17 (Fragm	6.116276055	0.020018753
50	P68363	RPS27L	40S ribosomal protein S27	5.529609797	0.014374855
51	P27348	LDHA	L-lactate dehydrogenase A chain	5.137209336	0.000291382
52	P46776	ALDH18A1	Delta-1-pyrroline-5-carboxylate synthase	4.729047985	0.031581842
53	P00338	YBX1	Nuclease-sensitive element-binding protein 1 (Fragment)	4.395435201	0.001412739
54	P27635	SNRPB2	U2 small nuclear ribonucleoprotein B	3.991763056	0.000118849
55	P68104	RPS11	40S ribosomal protein S11	3.804676189	0.010070533
56	P31947	RPL27A	60S ribosomal protein L27a	3.782687177	0.001787942
57	Q9Y3B8	RPL31	60S ribosomal protein L31 (Fragment)	3.161531965	9.67897E-05
58	P62280	RPS14	40S ribosomal protein S14	3.104480836	0.00106583
59	P46781	PRR29	Proline-rich protein 29	2.886910978	0.021323919
60	P17066	RPS9	40S ribosomal protein S9	2.810554222	0.001078216
61	P81605	DCD	Dermcidin	2.726769799	0.000322447
62	P62263	RPL10	60S ribosomal protein L10 (Fragment)	2.636858874	0.000936526
63	P0DMV9	RPL13A	60S ribosomal protein L13a	2.397596934	0.004479135

Table S1. Statistically significant MACIR interacting proteins. Label free quantitative mass spectrometry data ranked following the application of an average intensity ratio EF1-MACIR/EF1 control cut-off above 2 and p-value of less than 0.05.