The balance between Gαi-Cdc42/Rac and Gα12/13-RhoA pathways determines endothelial barrier regulation by sphingosine-1-phosphate


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Figure S1. S1P induces EC morphology changes, resulting in net EC spreading. (A) ECs, transiently transfected with mTq2, were grown to a monolayer. Local changes in the area of a single cell were measured before and after stimulation with S1P at t= 0:30 min. Colors represent area change following S1P stimulation (LUT on the right). Scale bar = 25 μm. (B) Normalized mean EC area changes before and after S1P stimulation. Graphs and tables represent two technical replicates of a total of n=14.

Figure S2. Rac1 activation via recruitment of TIAM induces an increase in cell area, while p63RhoGEF-mediated activation of Rho induces a decrease in cell area. (A and B) Normalized mean EC area changes, before and after rapamycin addition at t= 1:10. Plots on the right represent total cell area changes after 12 min. for TIAM (n=23) and p63RhoGEF (n=20).

Figure S3. S1P induces RhoB and RhoC activation. (A) Ratiometric images of ECs that were transfected with the RhoB or RhoC FRET sensor and stimulated with S1P (500 nM) at t=1 min, 50 sec. Warm colors represent high activation (high YFP/CFP ratios), corresponding to emission ratio’s (ER) on the right. Scale bar = 15 μm (B) Normalized mean YFP/CFP ratio traces (±SEM) for RhoB (n=23) and RhoC (n=17) FRET sensor-expressing EC before and after stimulation with S1P.

Figure S4. S1P stimulation of Rac1 FRET sensor expressing cells, shows two populations of responders. (A and B) Normalized mean YFP/CFP ratio traces (±SEM) for (A) Rac1 FRET sensor expressing EC reaching an YFP/CFP_max above baseline (n=18) and (B) Rac1 FRET sensor expressing EC lacking an YFP/CFP_max above baseline (n=14), before and after stimulation with S1P.

Figure S5. PTX induces a transient decrease in endothelial resistance. ECs, plated on ECIS electrodes, were stimulated with PTX (100 ng/ml) at t= 1:51 before stimulation with S1P (Figure 6D). Endothelial resistance (4000 Hz) was measured using the ECIS.
**Figure S6.** Membrane-linked p115-RGS most efficiently inhibits G\(\alpha_{13}\)-QL-mediated RhoA activation. YFP/CFP ratios (error bars depict 95% CI) of HeLa cells transfected with RhoA FRET sensor + mCherry (n=55), RhoA FRET sensor + mCherry + G\(\alpha_{13}\)-QL (n=74), RhoA FRET sensor + RGS-mCherry + G\(\alpha_{13}\)-QL (n=81), RhoA FRET sensor + mCherry-RGS + G\(\alpha_{13}\)-QL (n=85) or RhoA FRET sensor + Lck-mCherry-RGS + G\(\alpha_{13}\)-QL (n=96).
A

**TIAM**

- Normalized cell area over time for Rapamycin treatment.
- Cell area change (%) for Rapamycin.

B

**p63RhoGEF**

- Normalized cell area over time for Rapamycin treatment.
- Cell area change (%) for p63RhoGEF.
A

B

Time (min)

YFP/CFP

0 5 10 15 20

1.2

1.1

1.0

0.9

0.9

1.2

1.1

1.0

0.9

Time (min)

S1P

Rac1

Rac1
RhoA activation

+ Ga13-QL

Control-mCherry
Control-mCherry
RGS-mCherry
mCherry-RGS
Lck-mCherry-RGS

YFP/CFP

0 1 2 3