Supplementary Materials and Methods

In vivo calcein labeling and calculation of bone formation rate (BFR)

Calcein labeling and BFR calculation was previously described (1). Briefly, mice were intraperitoneally injected with 20 mg/kg of calcein (Sigma-Aldrich) or 30 mg/kg of Alizarin (Sigma-Aldrich) in a 2% sodium bicarbonate solution. Mice were labeled 5 days for 2-month-old mice, 8 days for 8-month-old mice and 2 days prior to sacrifice. Tibia, femur and calvarias were fixed in 70% ethanol and embedded in methylmethacrylate and sectioned. Pictures were taken by a fluorescence microscope (Olympus BX51, Center Valley, PA). Analysis of bone formation rate (BFR) per bone surface (BS) was performed by using Bioquant Osteo (Bioquant Image Analysis Corp.). Mineral apposition rate (MAR) is the distance between the midpoints of the two labels divided by the time between the midpoints of the interval. Mineralizing surface per bone surface (MS/BS) represents the percentage of bone surface exhibiting mineralizing activity. Bone formation rate per bone surface (BFR/BS) is the volume of mineralized bone formed per unit time and per unit bone surface. It's calculated as the product of MAR and MS/BS, (BFR=MAR * (MS/BS)).

Reverse Transcription and Real-Time PCR

Total RNA from OCs was isolated with the RNeasy mini kit (Qiagen, Valencia, CA) and digested with DNase to eliminate genomic DNA. Complementary DNA was made using the SuperScript II first-strand synthesis system for RT-PCR (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA). qPCR was performed using SYBR Advantage mix (Bio-Rad) with mouse-specific primers as specified in Table I.

Measurement of cAMP levels in bone marrow macrophages

Cells were plated in a 48-well plate (2x10⁵/ml) and grow over night in growth media (10% FBS-MEM alpha media supplemented with 60ng/ml recombinant MSCF). The concentration of ATP in the extracellular space can reach levels of up to 80µM (2) and the average concentration of ADP in cells is 849±367µM (3). Therefore, we used ADP concentrations in the range of 10µM to100µM. IBMX is a phosphodiesterase inhibitor and 100µM IBMX (3-isobutyl-1-methylxanthine) was used in all experiment to prevent cAMP degradation during the assay. The cells were stimulated with appropriate reagents for 10 minutes at 37°C, in the presence of IBMX. Control wells were treated with vehicle to measure the basal cAMP levels. All experiments were performed in the growth medium. Pertussis toxin (100ng/ml) was added 12 h before experiment. Cyclic AMP levels were determined using a cAMP Chemiluminescent Imunoassay Kit (Invitrogen) according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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Table 1. Primers for qPCR

Gene	Primer sequence (5'-3')	PCR
		product
		size (bp)
P2ry1	Forward primer: CAGGGTTTATGCCACTTATCAGG	282
	Reverse primer: AGATCATCTCAGGGATGTCTTGTG	
P2ry12	Forward primer: GGGCGTACCCTACAGAAACA	205
	Reverse primer: TGTTGACACCAGGCACATCC	
Igtb3	Forward primer: TGGTGCTCAGATGAGACTTTGTC	86
	Reverse primer: GACTCTGGAGCACAATTGTCCTT	
TRAP	Forward primer: CAGCTGTCCTGGCTCAAAA	218
	Reverse primer: ACATAGCCCACACCGTTCTC	
Ctsk	Forward primer: GAGGGCCAACTCAAGAAGAA	203
	Reverse primer: GCCGTGGCGTTATACATACA	
Nfatc 1 a	Forward primer: GGTAACTCTGTCTTTCTAACCTTAAGCTC	240
	Reverse primer: GTGATGACCCCAGCATGCACCAGTCACAG	
CTR	Forward primer: TGGTTGAGGTTGTGCCCAATGGAGA	1a: 392
	Reverse primer: CTCGTGGGTTTGCCTCATCTTGGTC	1b: 503
DC-STAMP	Forward primer: ACAAACAGTTCCAAAGCTTGC	74
	Reverse primer: TCCTTGGGTTCCTTGCTTC	
OSCAR	Forward primer: CTGCTGGTAACGGATCAGCTCCCCAGA	310
	Reverse primer: CCAAGGAGCCAGAACCTTCGAAACT	
RANK	Forward primer: CACAGACAAATGCAAACCTTG	400
	Reverse primer: GTCTTCTGGAACCATCTTCTCC	
Csflr	Forward primer: GCGATGTGTGAGCAATGGCAGT	341
	Reverse primer: AGACCGTTTTGCGTAAGACCTG	
Gapdh	Forward primer: TTCACCACCATGGAGAAGGC	236
	Reverse primer: GGCATGGACTGTGGTCATGA	



2-month-old *P2yr12^{-/-}* mice showed normal bone phenotype

(A-C) The primary and secondary spongiosa of the tibias from 2-month-old male WT (n=6) and $P2ry12^{-/-}$ (n=10) littermate mice were analyzed by μ CT. (A) Representative 3D reconstructions of trabecular bone. Scale bar: 200 μ m. (B) Calculation of trabecular bone volume to total bone volume (BV/TV) and (C) bone mineral density (BMD). (D, E) Serum concentration of the C-terminal fragment of collagen I (CTX) and N-terminal propeptide of type I procollagen (P1NP) measured by ELISA. (F) Bone formation was visualized by double calcein labeling and visualized in the trabecular bone. Representative pictures: 2.5x, scale bar: 300 μ m, 20x, scale bar: 50 μ m. The MAR and BFR are shown (G, H). Bone histology, representative TRAP staining (I), osteoblast number and surface (J, K), osteoclast number and surface (L, M) in the primary and secondary spongiosa of the tibia. Scale bar: 300 μ m. Data represent mean±SD, *n*=6. **p*< 0.05, ***p*< 0.01, ****p*< 0.001.

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ATP (100uM)



P2Y12 receptor is expressed on macrophages and downregulates intracellular cAMP level following ADP stimulation

(A) Immunofluorescence analysis of P2Y12 expression in day 3 osteoclast culture.

(B) ADP inhibits cAMP production in WT macrophages but not $P2ry12^{-/-}$ macrophages.

(C) ADP inhibits cAMP production in bone marrow macrophages via P2Y12 receptor. Bone marrow macrophages were stimulated with ADP or ATP for 10 minutes. Where indicated, the P2Y12 inhibitor (AR-C 66096) was added 10 minutes prior to stimulation or PTX (100ng/ml) was added 12 h prior. All experiments were performed in the presence of 100 μ M IBMX. Data are the mean±S.E.M. from at least four independent experiments. *p< 0.05, **p< 0.01, ***p<0.001



P2yr12^{-/-} osteoclasts display normal regulation of differentiation markers by qPCR.

(A) Macrophage Colony Stimulating Factor Receptor (MCSFR, *Csf1r*), (B) Receptor Activator of Nuclear Factor κ B (*RANK*), (C) osteoclast-associated receptor (*OSCAR*), (D) dendritic cell-specific transmembrane protein (*DC-STAMP*), (E) Calcitonin receptor (*CTR*), (F) Integrin β 3 (*Itgb3*). All data were normalized to levels of *gapdh*, comparing WT (left) and *P2ry12^{-/-}* (right) cells on days 0-5 of OC differentiation. Data represent mean±SD from three independent experiments.



P2ry1^{-/-} osteoclasts have intact responses to ADP

(A) *P2ry1* gene expression in WT and *P2ry12^{-/-}* during OC differentiation, analyzed by quantitative real time PCR. (B) WT and *P2ry1^{-/-}* OCs stained for TRAP on days 3, 4 and 5 of OC differentiation with M-CSF and RANKL, in the presence or absence of ADP. Scale bar: 200µm. (C) Quantitation of OC (\geq 3 nuclei) number at day 3 of osteoclast culture. (D-G) BMMs derived from 2 month old_WT or *P2ry12^{-/-}* mice were cultured with RANKL and MCSF on bone slices for 5 days. ADP was added at a final concentration of 1µM where indicated. (D) Actin ring formation was determined by immunofluorescence following Rhodamine phalloidin staining. Scale bar: 100µm. (E) Quantification of actin ring area. (F, G) Quantification of pits area. Scale bar: 100µm. *n* = 3 per condition. Data represent mean±SD, **p*< 0.05, ***p*< 0.01, ****p*<0.001.

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P2ry12^{-/-} OCs showed impaired MCSF-induced Rap1 activation

(A) Rap1 and Rap1-GTP from WT and *P2ry12^{-/-}* pre-OCs (day 3 OC culture) stimulated with 100ng/ml MCSF for 0-10 minutes. Total cell lysate was used for detection of Rap-1. Activated Rap1 (Rap1-GTP) was pulled-down by using Ral GDS-RBD labeled agarose beads. (B) Densiometry of GTP-Rap1 induction versus WT time 0. (C) WT pre-OCs was treated with or without 100ng/ml MCSF and chelation of calcium (BAPTA), adenylate cyclase inhibitors (ddADO), PKA (H89) or inhibitors of PI3K (wortmannin or LY294002) as indicated. Total Rap1 and activated Rap1 were detected as above.



P2ry12^{-/-} OCs showed normal mRNA expression of Rap1 regulatory genes during OCs formation

Expression of Rap1 regulatory genes determined by quantitative real time RT-PCR in developing OCs. (A) Ras-related protein Rap-1A (*RAP1A*), (B) Ras-related protein Rap-1b (*RAP1B*), (C) Rap guanine nucleotide exchange factor 1 (*RAPGEF1*), (D) Rap guanine nucleotide exchange factor 3 (*RAPGEF3*), (E) Rap guanine nucleotide exchange factor 4 (*RAPGEF4*), (F) Dedicator of cytokinesis 4 (*DOCK4*), (G) Signal-induced proliferation-associated protein 1 (*SIPA1*), (H) Rap1 GTPase-activating protein 1 (*RAP1GAP*). Data represent mean±SD.



Normal mice

Pharmacologic inhibition of P2Y12 receptor in normal mice increased trabecular bone volume.

Clopidogrel treatment (30mg/kg/day in drinking water) of 6 week old WT Balb/c mice for 9 days. n=12 per group. (**A**, **B**) Trabecular bone volume (BV/TV) and bone mineral density of tibiae were analyzed by μ CT in the primary and secondary spongiosa of the tibia. (**C**, **D**) Serum concentration of the C-terminal fragment of collagen I (CTX) and N-terminal propeptide of type I procollagen (P1NP) were measured by ELISA after 9 days treatment with clopidogrel. (**E**) TRAP-stained hindl imbs sections at day 9 after vehicle or clopidogrel treatment. TRAP+ staining (dark red areas) indicate OC presence. Scale bar: 300 μ m. Osteoclast number and surface in the primary and secondary spongiosa of the tibia are shown (**F**, **G**). Data represent mean±SD, *p< 0.05, **p< 0.01, ***p<0.001.

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P2Y12 antagonism partially protected mice from ovariectomy-induced bone loss

14 week old WT C57BL/6 mice underwent OVX and sham-operation (Sham) were treated with clopidogrel (30mg/kg/day) or vehicle-control in drinking water for indicated time. n=8 per group. Tibia from sham-operated (sham) and OVX mice was analyzed by histomorphometry. (A) TRAP-stained tibias sections after ovariectomy. Scale bar: 300µm. (B) Quantification of osteoclast and osteoblast cells 14 days after OVX. OC number (N.Oc) per bone surface (N.Oc/BS) and OB number per bone surface (N.Ob/BS) in the primary and secondary spongiosa of the tibia. (C, E) Bone formation was visualized in the trabecular bone by calcein (first) and alizarin red (second) double labeling. Representative pictures: 2.5x, scale bar: 300µm, 20x, scale bar: 50µm. (D, F) The quantification of MAR and bone formation rate. Data represent mean±SD, n=5. *p< 0.05, **p< 0.01, ***p< 0.001