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Complement and inflammasome overactivation mediates paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria with autoinflammation

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Supplemental Methods

Blood samples and flow cytometry

Total peripheral blood cells were collected by centrifugation and a small sample was saved for staining erythrocytes. Total blood cells were subjected to hypotonic lysis in 40 volumes of ACK buffer to lyse erythrocytes and the remaining total leukocytes were washed with FACS buffer by centrifugation. Peripheral blood leukocytes were stained for GPI-anchored proteins (GPI-APs). Erythrocytes and reticulocytes were stained by anti-CD58 (clone AICD58, Beckman Coulter) or -CD59 (clone p282/H19, BD). Lymphocytes, monocytes and granulocytes were differentiated based on forward and side scatters (Figure S1B). In the lymphocytes gate, B- and T-lymphocytes were further gated by CD19- or CD3-positivity, respectively. For this, leukocytes were stained with either Pacific Blue-conjugated anti-CD19 or anti-CD3 (clones HIB19 and OKT3, BioLegend) together with staining for free GPI and GPI-APs.

For DNA and RNA analyses, granulocytes with PNH phenotype and normal granulocytes were separated by a cell sorter (FACSAria, BD). For this, the total blood leukocytes were stained by FLAER and subjected to cell sorting. Granulocytes were identified by their side and forward scatters and were separated into FLAER-negative and -positive fractions.

Determination of break points causing the 18 Mb deletion in patient J1

Genomic DNA of peripheral blood granulocytes from patient J1 containing 29% GPI-AP-deficient cells was used as a template for PCR to amplify a fragment including break points. All combinations of forward primers 1 to 3 and reverse primers 4 to 6 were used (positions and sequences of PCR primers in Figure S5A, top and Table S1). A fragment amplified with primers 1 and 5 (red arrowheads) was Sanger sequenced using primers 7 to 11 (positions and sequences in Figure S5A, top and Table S1).

Quantitative PCR (qPCR) analysis of chromosome 20q bearing the break points to determine the clone size of GPI-AP-deficient cells in patient J1

Two samples of J1's genomic DNA, one (sample #1) prepared from the whole blood leukocytes taken four months before the onset of recurrent hemolysis and the other (sample #2) prepared from granulocytes (29% GPI-AP-deficient) taken one month after the commencement of eculizumab therapy, were analyzed by qPCR. Primers to amplify a region including the break were designed based on the determined break points (Figure S5A). A region in exon 3 of PIGL was amplified as a reference. Primer sequences are shown in Table S1. SYBR Green Master Mix and StepOnePlus system (Thermo Fisher Scientific) were used. Ratios of (Break)/(PIGL) were determined for #1 and #2 samples with the $2(-\Delta\Delta Ct)$ method for comparative analysis, and a relative level of the break in #1 sample was determined setting a ratio of #2 sample as 1 (Results are shown in Figure 3G). Percent GPI-AP-deficient cells in the whole blood leukocytes at four months before the onset of recurrent hemolysis was determined by multiplying 29% by a relative level of the break in #1.

Generation and characterization of PIGTKO, PIGAKO and PIGT-SLC35A2 double KO THP-1 cells.

Gene disruption in THP-1 cells was made with CRISPR/Cas9 system (guide RNA sequences shown in Table S1). PIGTKO and PIGAKO cell clones were established based on their phenotypes (loss of FLAER- and CD55-positive staining) and mutations as assessed by Sanger sequencing. Specificities of KO were confirmed by

restoration of the wild-type phenotypes after transfection of corresponding cDNAs. PIGT-SLC35A2 double KO (PIGT-SLC35A2KO) cells were established by KO SLC35A2 in PIGTKO cells and sorting T5 mAb staining positive cells.

Quantitative RT-PCR (qRT-PCR) for IL1 β and NLRP3

Levels of IL1 β and NLRP3 mRNAs were analyzed by qRT-PCR using SYBR Green (Applied Biosystems) and appropriate primers (Table S1). Data were normalized to β -actin according to the $2(-\Delta\Delta Ct)$ method for comparative analysis. IL1 β and NLRP3 mRNA levels of PMA-treated WT cells were set to 1. Result was expressed as the mean \pm SD of duplicate determinations of a representative experiment.

Supplemental Results

Characterization of the patients' blood samples and bone marrow

Blood cell counts and neutrophil percentage in leukocytes of patients G1 and G3 were shown as a function of time in days in Figure S1A. LDH levels of patient G1 were also shown. Total leukocyte counts and platelet counts were within normal ranges in patients G1 and G3 (Figure S1A) and J1 (1), except at around severe hemolysis. The bone marrow specimen of patient G3, collected 6 months after the first meningitis episode and 4 years before the diagnosis of PNH showed an increased hematopoiesis. There were no signs of malignancy or aplasia. Taken together with reports that there were no signs of aplasia in the bone marrow of J1 (1) and G1 (2), bone marrow failure does not seem to be a feature of patients with PIGT-PNH.

Determination of break points causing the 18 Mb deletion in patient J1

The 18 Mb deletion was previously determined by a SNP array analysis of GPI-AP-deficient and GPI-AP-positive granulocytes from J1 (1). The SNP array analysis showed that SNPs at positions 31,905,813 and 49,909,373 were present in the deletion-containing chromosome 20 of GPI-AP-deficient cells whereas all SNPs between those at 31,925,918 and 49,759,935 were absent (Figure S5A, top : positions according to GRCh37/hg19, NCBI/UCSC). Therefore, the centromeric and the telomeric break points must exit between positions 31,905,813 and 31,925,918, and positions 49,759,935 and 49,909,373, respectively. To amplify a DNA fragment including the break points, we designed three PCR primers each in the centromeric (primers 1 to 3) and the telomeric (primers 4 to 6) regions (Figure S5A, top). Using genomic DNA from J1 granulocytes containing 29% GPI-AP-deficient cells as a template (sample #2 in Figure S5B, right part), PCR with primers 1 and 5 (primer set 1-5) generated a 6-kbp product (marked *) whereas PCRs with all other primer sets gave negative results or non-specific products. To determine nucleotide sequence of the 6-kbp PCR product, we generated five sequence primers (7 to 11 in Figure S5A, top). Sequencing with primer 8 (red) was successful. Two break points at positions 31,909,463 and 49,798,761, and an insertion of five nucleotides (5'-ACATT) between the break points were identified (Figure S5A, bottom).

A clone size of GPI-AP-negative leukocytes in patient J1 at four months before the onset of recurrent hemolysis

We also used J1's genomic DNA prepared from the whole blood leukocytes taken four months before the onset of recurrent hemolysis (sample #1 in Figure S5B, left part) as a template in PCR. Similar to sample #2, primer set 1-5 generated a 6-kbp product (marked *) whereas all other primer sets gave negative results or non-specific

products (Figure S5B, left part). The 6-kbp product amplified from sample #1 was confirmed to be the same break-containing region by Sanger sequencing. The amount of the 6-kbp product from sample #1 was much smaller than that from sample #2 (29% GPI-AP-deficient cells). These results indicate that J1 had a small GPI-AP-clone four months before the onset of PNH.

To determine the clone size at four months before the onset of recurrent hemolysis, we analyzed samples #1 and #2 by qPCR. The level of the break-containing DNA in sample #1 was approximately 10% of sample #2 (Figure 3G), indicating approximately 3% of total leukocytes were GPI-AP-deficient.

Characterization of PIGTKO, PIGAKO and PIGT-SLC35A2 KO THP-1 cells

The surface expressions of GPI-APs were lost from both PIGTKO and PIGAKO cells and were restored by transfection of *PIGT* and *PIGA* cDNAs, respectively (Figure S6A). PIGTKO, PIGAKO and wild-type (WT) THP-1 cells were differentiated into macrophages by phorbol 12-myristate 13-acetate (PMA) to induce competence in inflammasome activation (3). They were then tested by priming with Pam₃CSK₄ followed by 4h-treatment with ATP. IL1 β was released at similar levels from WT, PIGTKO and PIGAKO cells (167.9 \pm 61.5, 144.3 \pm 19.7, 200.3 \pm 48.8 pg/ml), indicating that they have comparable abilities to respond to inflammasome activators (Figure S6B). PIGT-SLC35A2KO cells were strongly stained by T5 mAb whereas PIGTKO cells were only very weakly stained by T5 mAb (Figure S6C). This result indicated that most free GPIs in PIGTKO cells were not detected by T5 mAb because of capping by galactose (schematic shown in Figure 3A).

IL1 β and NLRP3 levels in PIGTKO, PIGAKO and WT THP-1 cells before and after incubation with complement

Transcriptional induction of IL1 β and NLRP3 were at similar levels in PIGTKO, PIGAKO and wild-type (WT) THP-1 cells and the PIGTKO cells rescued by PIGT cDNA. IL1 β was induced by PMA alone, while NLRP3 induction was further enhanced by the acidified serum (Figure S7A).

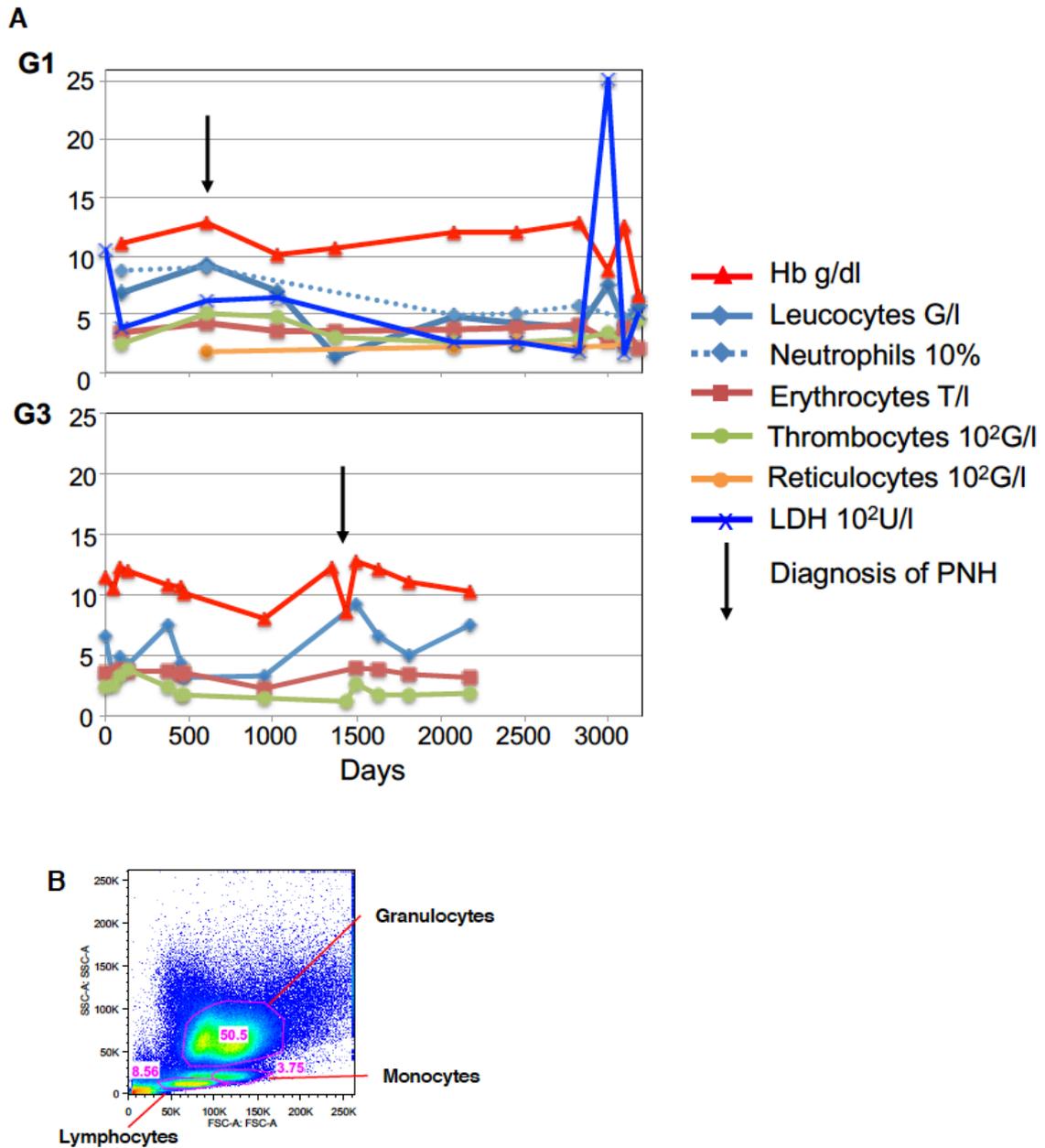


Fig. S1. Blood cell counts in patients G1 and G3 and gating of peripheral blood cells. A. Time course of blood cell counts. A very high peak of LDH found in patient G1 on around day 3000 was caused by severe hemolytic crisis occurred after a transient extension of the eculizumab therapy interval (2). G/l, billion cells per liter; 10^2 G/l, hundred billion cells per liter; T/l, trillion cells per liter. **B.** Gating of granulocyte, monocyte and lymphocyte populations based on forward (FSC) and side (SSC) scatters.

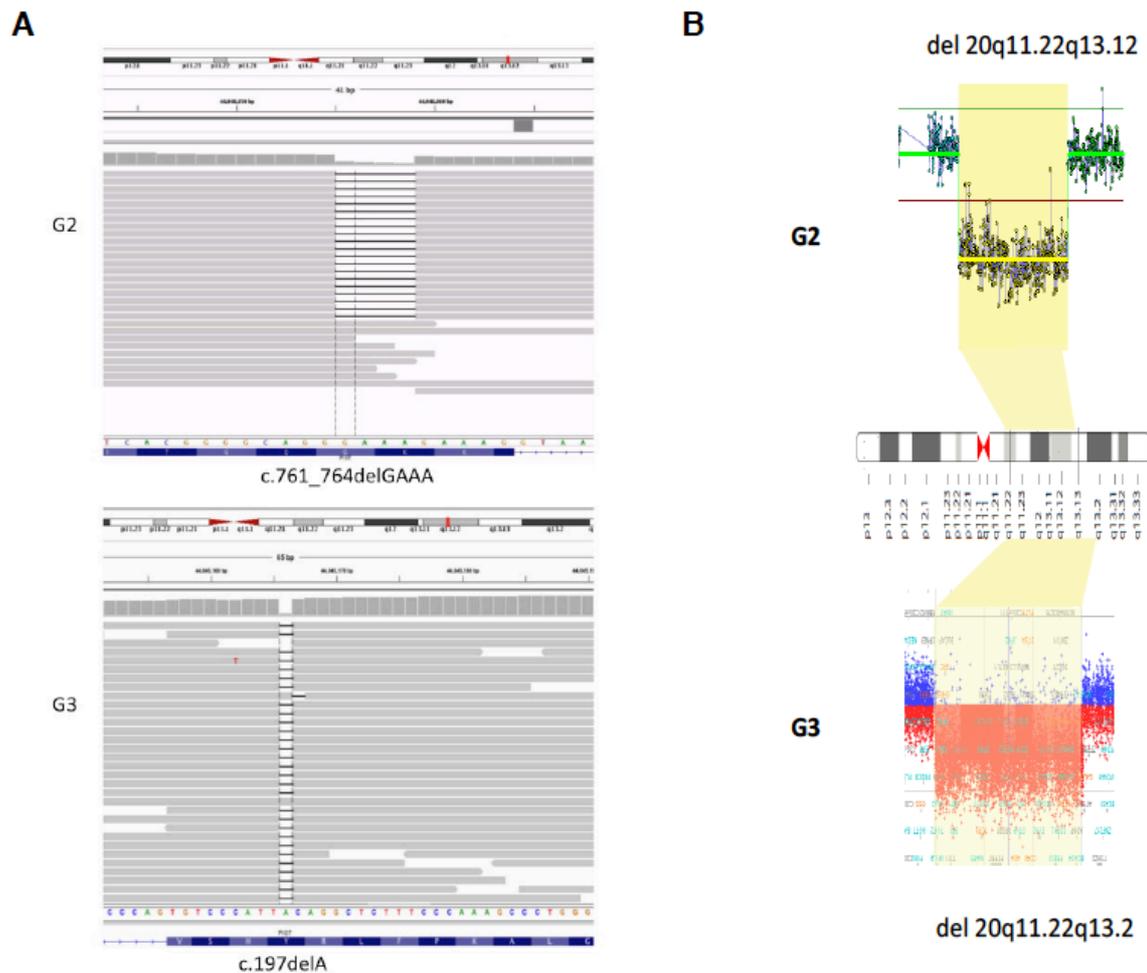


Fig. S2. Rare pathogenic variants and somatic mutations of *PIGT* in PIGT-PNH G2 and G3 revealed by Gene Panel analysis and array comparative genomic hybridization. A. The inherited variants in G2 and G3 are a four-base pair deletion (NM_015937: c.761_764delGAAA) and a one-base pair deletion (NM_015937: c.197delA) in *PIGT*. **B.** The somatic deletion in G2 spans over 12 Mb on chr 20q and involves *PIGT* and *PIGU*, arr[hg19] 20q11.22q13.12(32,837,289-44,973,145)x1. The somatic event in G3 is a 15 Mb deletion involving *PIGT*, arr[hg19] 20q11.22q13.2(34,975,105-50,140,767) x1.

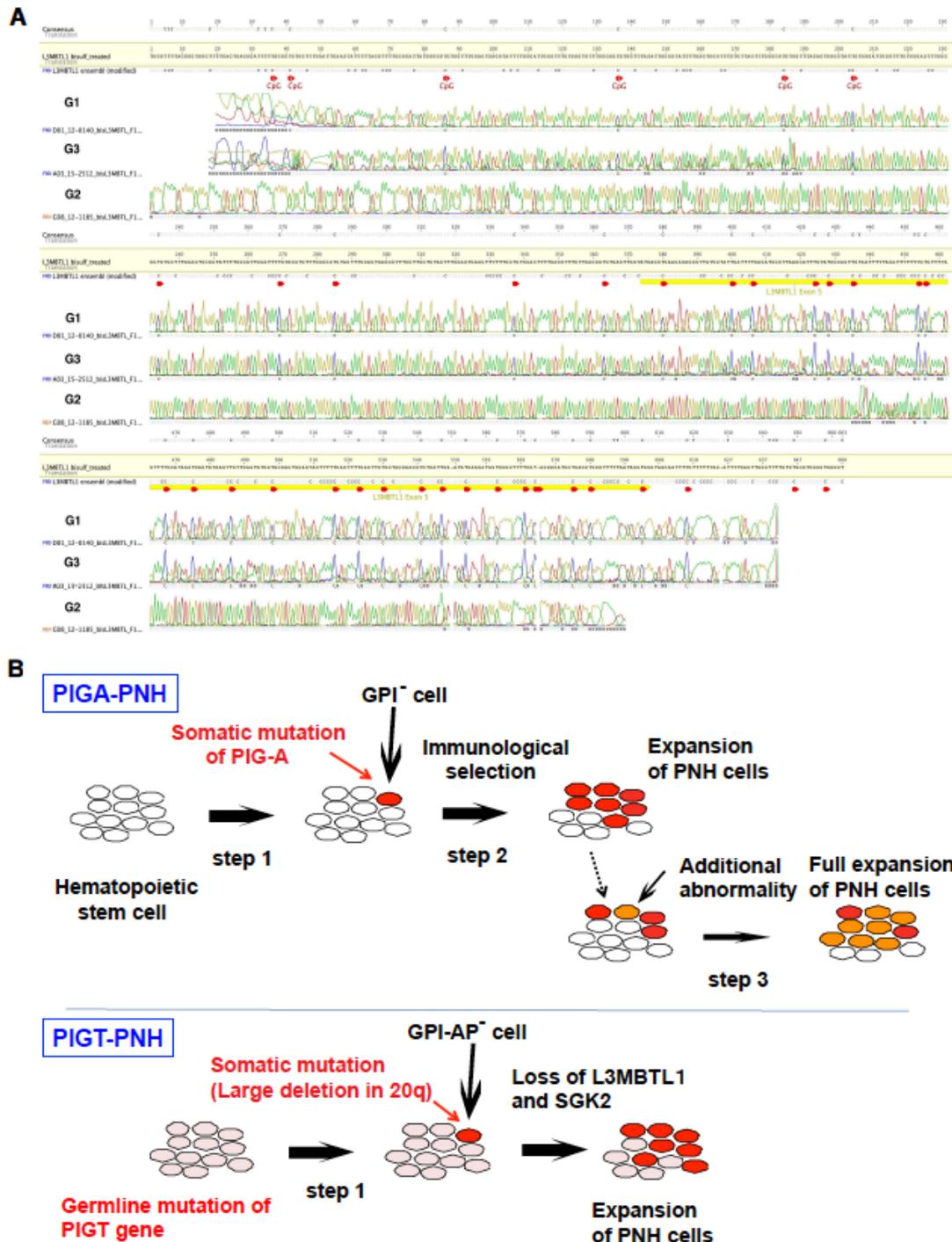


Figure S3. Methylation status of *L3MBTL1* and a model for clonal expansion in PIGT-PNH. **A.** Bisulfite sequencing of the informative region in *L3MBTL1* in G1, G2 and G3. **B.** Models of clonal expansion of GPI-defective cells in PNH (top) and PIGT-PNH (bottom). In PNH, somatic mutation of *PIGA* gene in a hematopoietic stem cell generates GPI-defective clone (step 1). Under bone marrow failure conditions, normal stem cells are damaged by autoimmune mechanisms whereas GPI-defective clone survives, causing clonal expansion (step 2). In some cases of PNH, GPI-defective subclone that acquired benign-tumor-like growth phenotype expands greatly (step 3). In PIGT-PNH, patients had a germ line loss-of-function mutation in the maternal allele of *PIGT*. A deletion spanning the entire *PIGT* and myeloid

common deletion region occurs in the paternal allele in a hematopoietic stem cell, generating GPI-AP-defective clone (step 1). Because of losses of maternally imprinted *L3MBL1* and *SGK2* genes, the GPI-AP-defective clone may obtain a competence to expand and may initially contribute to non-erythrocytic myeloid cells causing recurrent autoinflammation. Years later, *PIGT*-defective clone may begin to generate sufficient numbers of GPI-AP-defective erythrocytes to cause PNH phenotype.

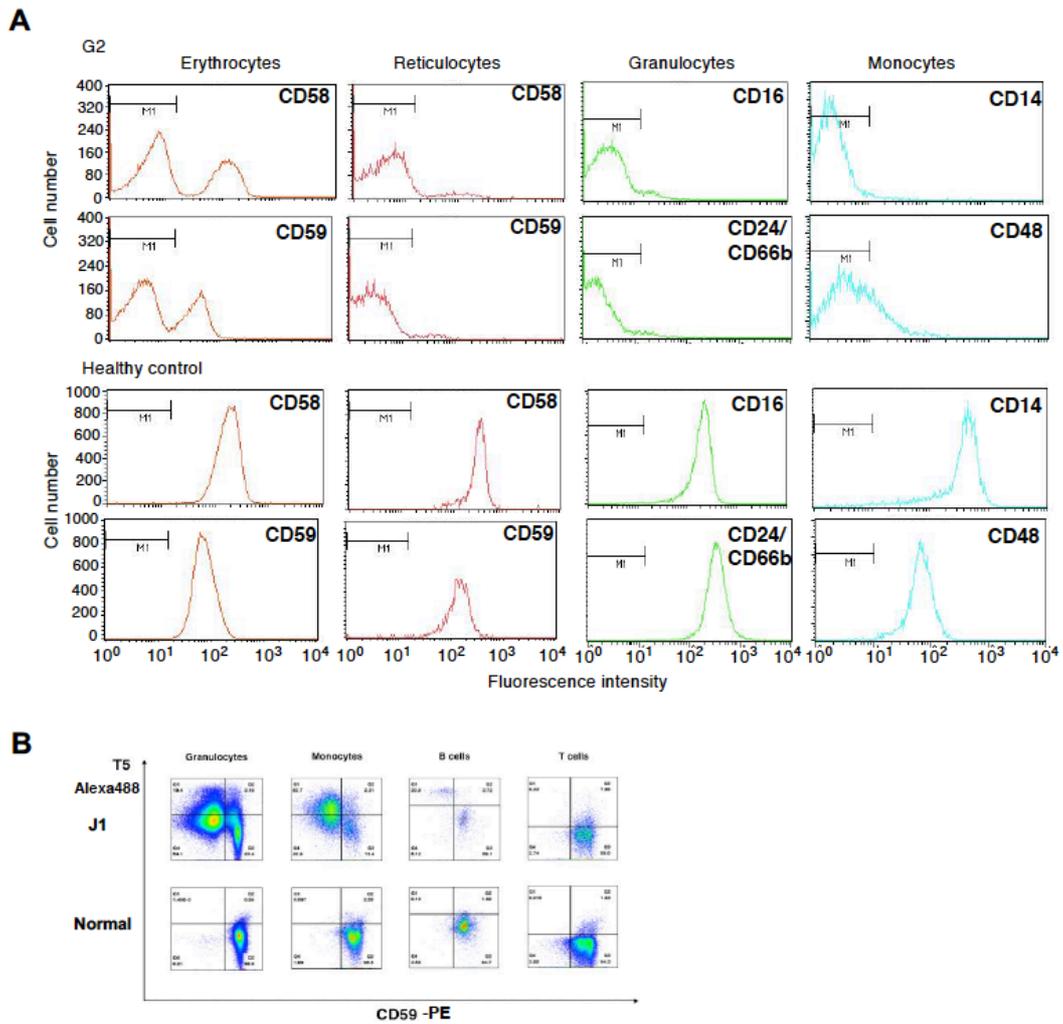


Figure S4. Flow cytometry of blood cells from patients with PIGT-PNH. A. Peripheral blood cells from G2 with PIGT-PNH (top two lows) and a healthy control (bottom two lows) were stained for GPI-APs. **B.** Granulocytes, monocytes, B- and T-lymphocytes from J1 with PIGT-PNH and a normal individual, stained by T5 mAb and anti-CD59 mAb.

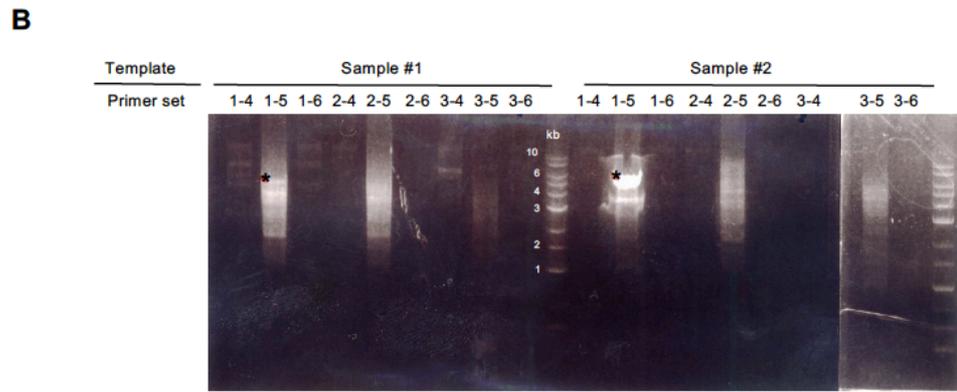
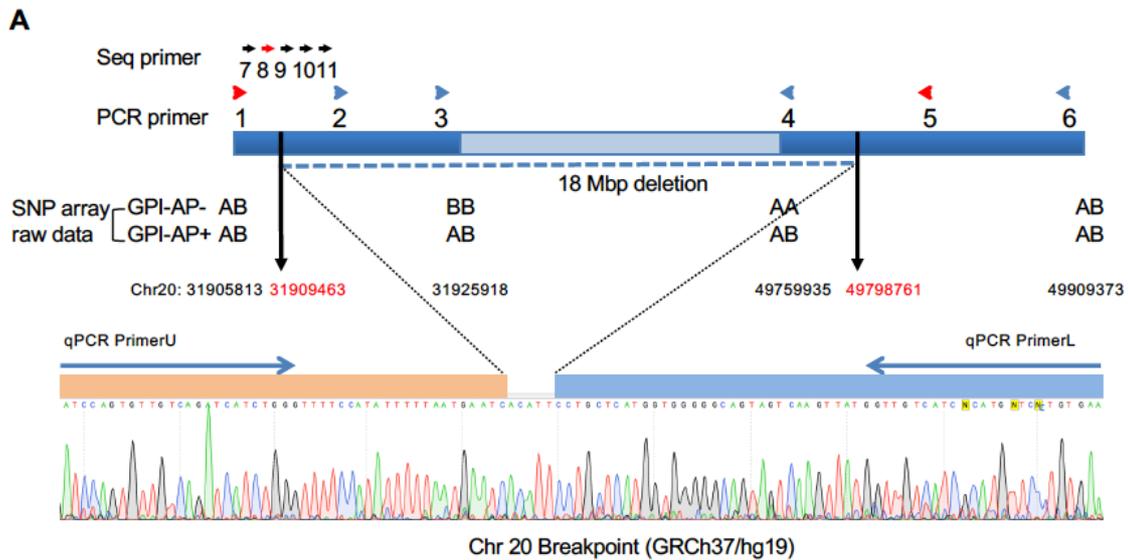


Figure S5. Determination of the break points causing the 18 Mb deletion in J1. **A** (Top) Schematic of a region in patient J1's chromosome 20q bearing the 18 Mb deletion (centromere on the left). Four informative SNPs (AB, heterozygous; AA and BB, homozygous) are shown in their position numbers below the schematic: SNPs heterozygous in both GPI-AP-positive and GPI-AP-deficient cells (at 31,905,813 and 49,909,373) were present in GPI-AP-deficient cells whereas those homozygous in GPI-AP-deficient cells and heterozygous in GPI-AP-positive cells (at 31,925,918 and 49,759,935) were within the deleted region in GPI-AP-deficient cells. PCR primers 1 to 6 used to amplify a region including break points are shown immediately above the schematic. Sequence primers 7 to 11 used to determine nucleotide sequence of the PCR product with primers 1 and 5 (red arrowheads) (see **B** for PCR products) are shown on top: sequencing with primer 8 (red) was successful. (Bottom) Sanger sequence result with primer 8. Two break points at positions 31,909,463 and 49,798,761, and an insertion of five nucleotides (5'-ACATT) between the break points were identified. Locations of primers for qPCR (Primers U and L) to determine the clone size of GPI-AP- cells are shown above the sequence. **B.** PCR products from template samples #1 and #2 with all combinations of primers. Sample #1, genomic DNA from the whole blood leukocytes taken four months before the onset of recurrent hemolysis; sample #2, genomic DNA from granulocytes (29% GPI-AP-deficient) taken one month after the commencement of eculizumab therapy. PCR with primer set 1-5 generated a 6 kbp product strongly from sample #2 and weakly from sample #1. All other primer sets gave negative results or non-specific products.

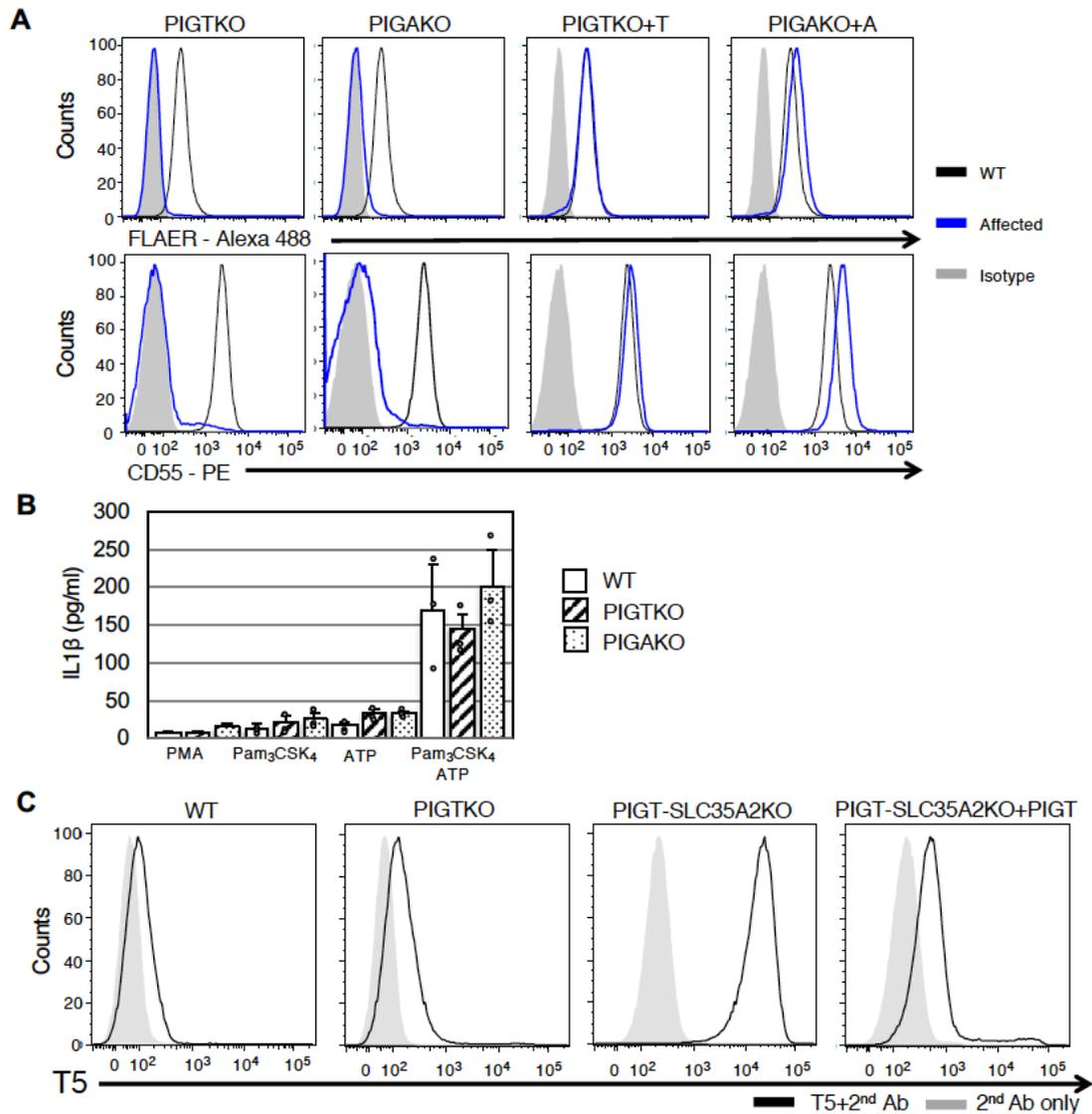


Figure S6. Characterization of PIGT and PIGA knockout THP-1 cells. **A.** Surface expression of GPI-APs on PIGT knockout (KO), PIGAKO and PIGT- / PIGA-rescued (PIGTKO+T, PIGAKO+A) THP-1 cells. Test cells (blue lines) and wild-type cells (solid lines) were stained with FLAER (top panels) and PE-labeled anti-CD55 antibody (bottom panels). Negative staining controls (shaded) for FLAER and anti-CD55 were buffer only and isotype matched monoclonal antibody, respectively. The expressions of GPI-APs on PIGTKO and PIGAKO cells were lost and normalized by rescue transfections of relevant cDNAs. **B.** Secretion of IL1 β from THP-1 cells. WT, PIGTKO and PIGAKO THP-1 cells were differentiated into macrophages by PMA (100 ng/ml). The differentiated cells were primed with Pam₃CSK₄ (200 ng/ml) for 4 hr, after which medium was removed and pulsed for 4 hr with ATP (5mM). IL1 β released into medium was measured by ELISA. Data are expressed as mean + SD of three independent experiments. **C.** Expression of free GPI on WT, PIGTKO, PIGT-SLC35A2 KO, PIGT-rescued PIGT-SLC35A2 KO THP-1 cells. T5 mAb did not positively stain WT and PIGTKO THP-1 cells whereas it stained PIGTKO-SLC35A2KO THP-1 cells strongly. SLC35A2KO cells derived from PIGTKO cells are defective in galactosylation because of defective UDP-Gal transporter encoded by *SLC35A2*, indicating that PIGTKO THP-1 cells express free GPI whose GalNAc side-chain is fully galactosylated.

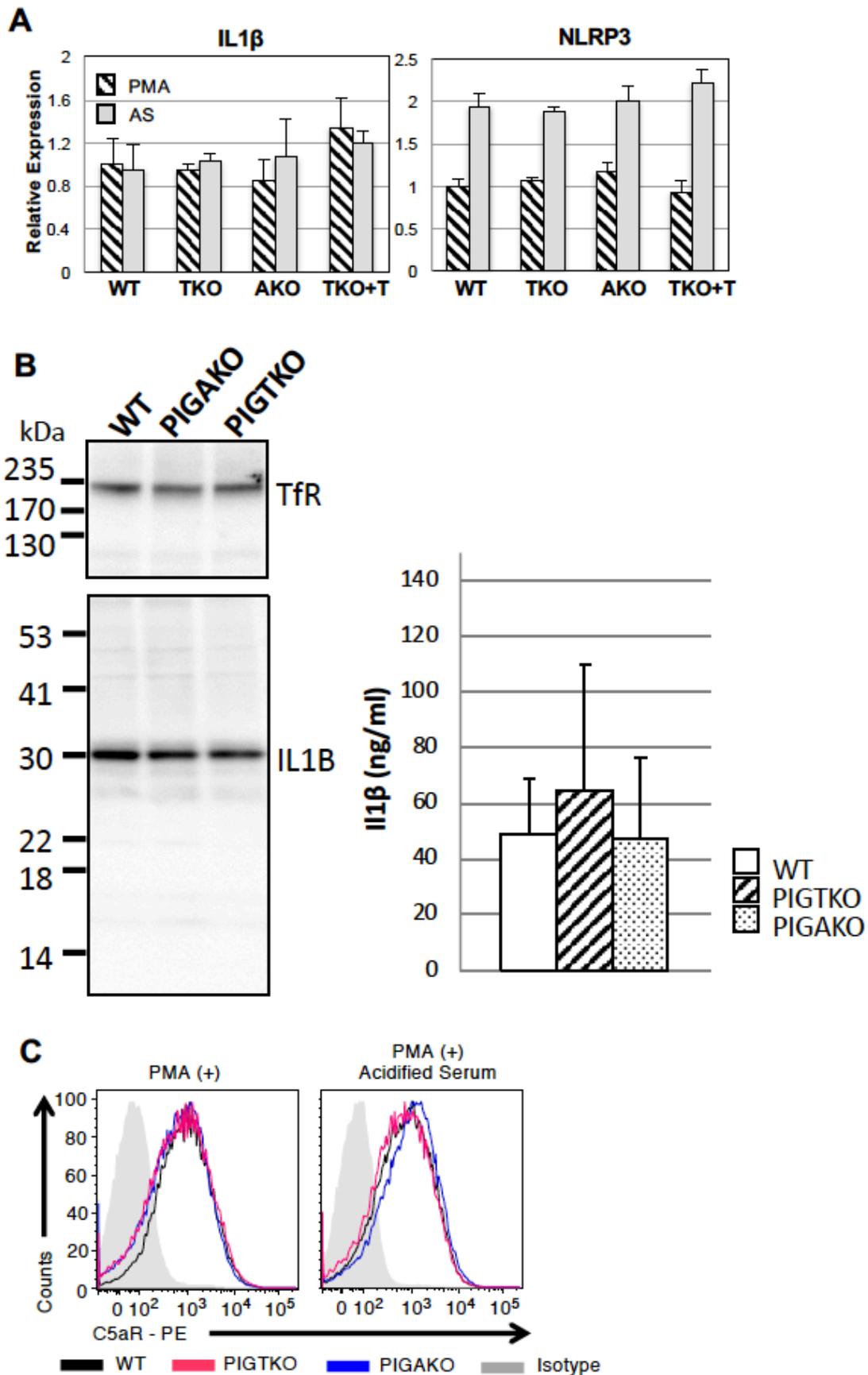


Figure S7. Responses of THP-1 cells to complement. A. Levels of IL1 β and NLRP3 transcripts in WT, PIGTKO, PIGAKO and PIGT-rescued PIGTKO THP-1 cells. Cells were differentiated to macrophages by PMA and RNA prepared before

(hatched bars) and after (grey bars) 5-hr incubation in 50% acidified serum (AS). IL1 β (left) and NLRP3 (right) transcripts were measured by qRT-PCR. Data are expressed as mean + SD of triplicate samples from one of three independent experiments. **B.** Levels of IL1 β protein in WT, PIGTKO and PIGAKO THP-1 cells. After differentiation by PMA, detergent extracts were prepared and IL1 β determined by western blotting (left) and ELISA (right). TfR, transferrin receptor used as a loading control. Levels of IL1 β determined by ELISA were expressed as mean + SD of three independent experiments. **C.** Levels of C5aR on THP-1-derived macrophages before and after incubation in acidified serum. WT (black lines), PIGTKO (red lines) and PIGAKO (blue lines) cells before (left) and after 5-hr incubation in 50% acidified serum (right) were stained by anti-CD88 mAb. Shaded, WT cells stained by isotype control antibody. Mean + SD of three independent experiments.

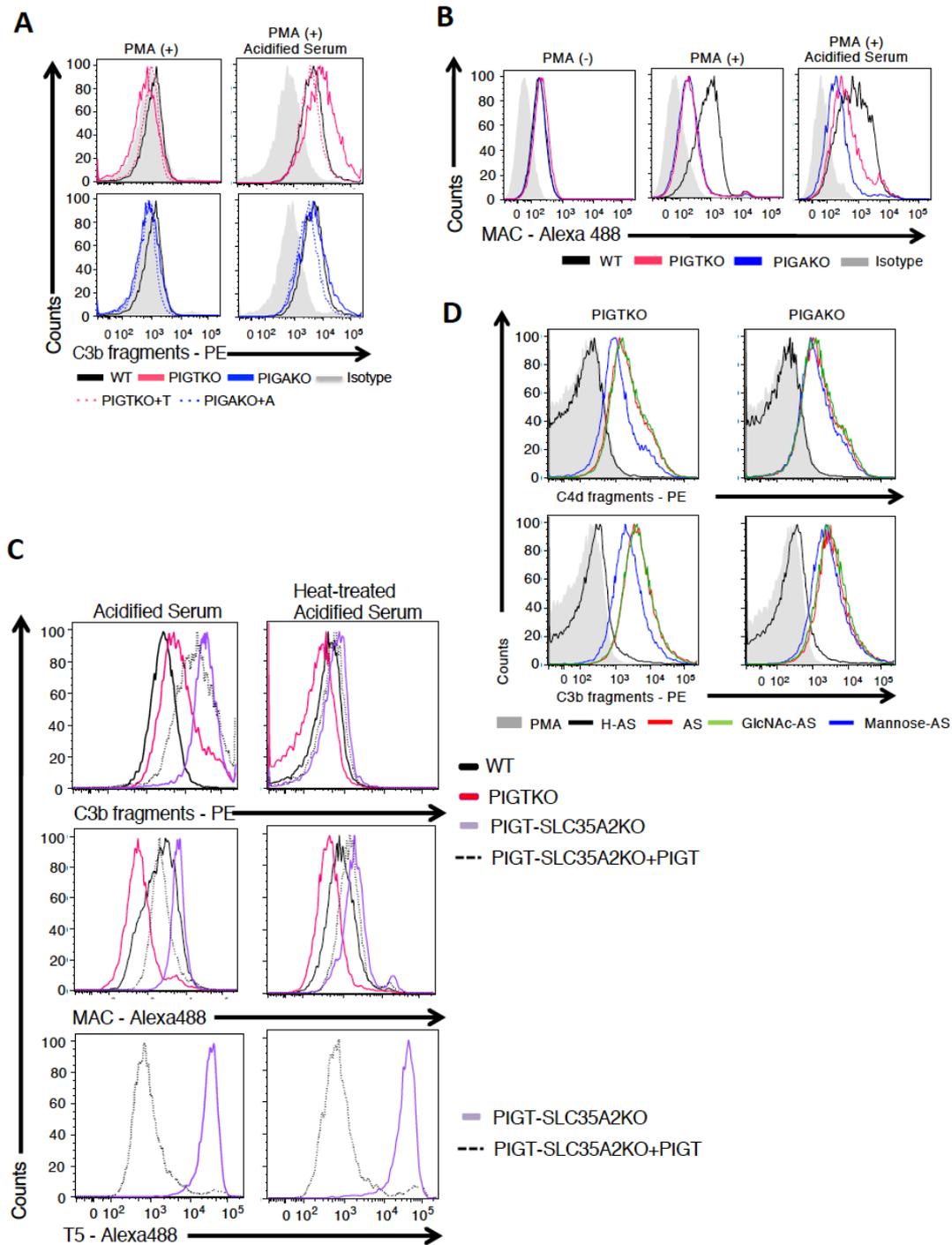


Figure S8. A. Detection of C3b fragments by flow cytometry. THP-1 cells were differentiated into macrophages by PMA (left) and incubated with 50% acidified serum for 5 hr after differentiation (right). WT (black lines), PIGTKO (solid red lines), PIGT-rescued PIGTKO (dotted red lines), PIGAKO (solid blue lines) and PIGA-rescued PIGAKO (dotted blue lines). One representative experiment of three independent experiments. B. Detection of MAC by flow cytometry. WT (black lines), PIGTKO (red lines), PIGAKO (blue lines) THP-1 cells were left undifferentiated (left), differentiated into macrophages by PMA (center) and incubated with 50% acidified serum for 5 hr after differentiation (right). One representative experiment of three independent experiments. C. Detection of C3b fragments (top), MAC (middle)

and free GPI (bottom) on PIGT-SLC35A2 KO THP-1 cells and PIGT-rescued PIGT-SLC35A2 KO THP-1 cells after PMA-treatment and incubation with acidified serum (left) or heated acidified serum (right). Black lines, WT; red lines, PIGTKO; purple lines, PIGT-SLC35A2 KO; dotted lines, PIGT-rescued PIGT-SLC35A2 KO. **D.**

Detection of C4d (top) and C3b fragments (bottom) on PIGTKO (left) and PIGAKO (right) THP-1 macrophages after AS treatment. Shaded, non-treated cells; black lines, heat-inactivated AS (H-AS); red lines, AS; green lines, AS with 100mM N-acetylglucosamine (GlcNAc-AS); blue lines, AS with 100 mM mannose (Mannose-AS).

Table S1. Table S1. Sequences of primers and guide RNA used in this study.

qPCR primers

cDNA	Sequence (5'-3')
ABL-F	GCGTGAGAGTGAGAGCAG
ABL-R	TCTCGGAGGAGACGTAG
SGK2E9F	CTGAAGTGCTTCGGAAAGAG
SGK2E10R2	CGGCTGGTGCAGAATGTTC
L3MBTLE10F2	TGTACTIONCATCCTCACCGTG
L3MBTLE11R1	AGTTGGCATTGACCCAGAAG
IFT52E6F2	TGCCTGGGATCATTGATGAG
IFT52E7R1	ACAGAACCTGTAGACAGAAC
MYBL2 4F1	AATGCCAGTACAGGTGGCTG
MYBL2 5R1	TTCAGGTGCTTGGCAATCAG
β actin-F	AGAGCTACGAGCTGCCTGAC
β actin-R	AGCACTGTGTTGGCGTACAG
IL-1 β -F	TTACAGTGGCAATGAGGATGAC
IL-1 β -R	GTCGGAGATTCGTAGCTGGAT
NLRP3-F	CGTGAGTCCCATTAAAGATGGAGT
NLRP3-R	CCCGACAGTGGATATAGAACAGA
chr20 breakU	ATCCAGTGTGTCAGATCATCTGGG
chr20 breakL	TTCACAGGAACATGCGATGACAACC
hPIGLex3U	GGATTTCCCAGATGACCCAG
hPIGLex3L	CAGATTGATGCCATTCACTTCT

Primers for the break point determination

1 (chr20-1-31905941U)	TGGACCACCTGCCCTTTGTAGG
2 (chr20-2-31915901U)	AGGCAGGGTAGAGATGCTGAAATC
3 (chr20-3-31925781U)	CCCTGAGTATTGACATCTGTGAGCA
4 (chr20-1-49769935L)	GCTTACTGAATGATCACAAAGCAAGCT
5 (chr20-2-49800157L)	GTTAGGACCACATTTGCCACAGG
6 (chr20-3-49900000L)	TTAGGGGTGGTCCCATGACTTACTTC
7 (chr20-4U)	TTCCAGCTGACTGGGAGGCT
8 (chr20-5U)	GATCTGGGCTCACCACAACCT
9 (chr20-6U)	GACTCGCCCTCCTGACTGCA
10 (chr20-7U)	CCACAACAGCTGACAAGTATATGGC
11 (chr20-8U)	GAACACAAATTCTTCTCCTGTTCTGACC

Guide RNA sequence

Target gene	Sequence (5'-3')
hPIGT Cas 212U	CACC gaatgtggcggctacgtccccgg
hPIGT Cas 212L	AAAC ccggggacgtagccgccacattc
hPIGA Cas 190U	CACC ccagggctaaccgagagagtgt

hPIGA Cas 190L	AAAC acactctctcgggtagccctgg
hSLC35A2 FW-4	CACC ggtggtccaccgcgcgcc
hSLC35A2 RV-4	AAAC ggcgcgcggtggaaccacc

Table S2. PIGT mutations in Inherited GPI Deficiency (IGD)

Family	Origin	M ^A) allele	P ^A) allele	Reference
1	Aramaic	c.547A>C ^B (p.T183P)	c.547A>C (p.T183P)	Kvarnung (4)
2	Japanese	c.250G>T ^C (p.E84*)	c.1342C>T (p.R448W)	Nakashima (5)
3	Caucasian (M)/African American	c.918dupC (p.V307Rfs*13)	c.1342C>T (p.R448W)	Lam (6)
4	Somalian	c.1079G>T (p.G360V)	c.1079G>T (p.G360V)	Skauli (7)
5	Caucasian	c.1582G>A (p.V528M)	c.1730dupC (p.L578fs*35)	Pagnamenta (8)
6	Afghan	c.709G>C (p.E237Q)	c.709G>C (p.E237Q)	Pagnamenta (8)
7	Japanese	c.250G>T ³ (p.E84*)	c.1096G>T (p.G366W)	Kohashi (9)
8	Chinese	c.550G>A (p.E184K)	c.550G>A (p.E184K)	Yang (10)
9	NI ^D)	c.1484+2T>A	c.1472T>A (p.L491H)	Bayat (11)
10	Polish	c.1582G>A (p.V528M)	c.494-2A	Bayat (11)
11	Polish	c.1582G>A (p.V528M)	c.1582G>A (p.V528M)	Bayat (11)
12	NI	c.1079G>T (p.G360V)	c.1079G>T (p.G360V)	Bayat (11)
13	NI	c.1079G>T (p.G360V)	c.1079G>T (p.G360V)	Bayat (11)
14	Polish	c.1730dupC (p.L578fs*35)	c.1582G>A (p.V528M)	Bayat (11)
15	Pakistani	c.550G>A (p.E184K)	c.550G>A (p.E184K)	Bayat (11)
16	Bangladeshi	c.709G>C (p.E237Q)	c.709G>C (p.E237Q)	Bayat (11)

^A) M, maternal; P, paternal

^B) Based on NM_015937

^C) The same mutation was found in patient J1 with autoinflammation-paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PIGT-PNH) (Table 1).

^D) Not Identified

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