

## Supplementary Methods

**Bone marrow transplantation to lethally irradiated mice.** 1–2 million bone marrow cells from two to three week-old *Nor-1<sup>-/-</sup>Nur77<sup>-/-</sup>* mice or *Nor1<sup>+/+</sup>Nur77<sup>-/-</sup>* healthy littermates were suspended in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) and injected into the tail vein of 13 Gy lethally irradiated 6–8 week recipient B6129SF1/J F1 generation mice (The Jackson Laboratory). Mice were visually monitored and sacrificed for analysis upon outward signs of disease.

**Flow cytometry.** Lineage markers used in this study included fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC), phycoerythrin (PE), or phycoerythrin cyanine 5 (PC5) conjugated antibodies (from Pharmingen or eBioscience) against CD11b (M1/70), Gr-1 (RB6-8C5), CD4 (L3T4), CD8 (53-6.7), CD19 (1D3), B220 (RA3-6B2). Other monoclonal antibodies included FITC conjugated CD34 (RAM34, eBioscience), PE conjugated Sca-1 (D7, eBioscience), PE-Cy5 conjugated IL-7R (A7R34, eBioscience), and allophycocyanin (APC, eBioscience) conjugated c-kit (2B8, eBioscience), biotinylated antibody against Flk2 (A2F10, eBioscience), and streptavidin-PE-Texas red conjugate (Pharmingen).

**DNA content analysis.** Cells were stained with FITC conjugated CD11b antibodies (Caltag), fixed in ice cold 70% ethanol and suspended in PI/RNase Staining buffer (Pharmingen) for 30 min, followed by flow cytometer analysis.

**Apoptosis analysis.** Bone marrow cells ( $1 \times 10^7$  cells per milliliter) were stained with Fc RII/II (2.4 G2, Pharmingen) for 15 min on ice, followed by PE-conjugated Gr-1 (RB6-8C5, eBiosciences) and PE-Cy7-conjugated CD11b (M1/70, Pharmingen) staining for 30

min at 4°C. Cells were washed with PBS, and resuspended in Annexin V binding buffer (Pharmingen) at  $1 \times 10^6$  cells per milliliter, and then incubated with FITC-conjugated Annexin V (Pharmingen) at room temperature for 15 min in dark, followed by flow cytometer analysis.

**Real-time quantitative PCR for human samples.** Total RNA from bulk marrow or sorted cells were isolated by Trizol (Invitrogen), and purified by RNeasy ion-exchange column (Qiagen) with on-column DNase treatment. cDNA were then synthesized using SuperScript III (Invitrogen) with ten minutes incubation at 25°C, then one hour at 50°C, followed by heat-inactivation of the enzyme for 15 min at 72 °C. Real time PCR was carried out using an ABI Prism 7700 instrument. The primer and probe sequences used for human *NUR77* are as follows: forward 5'-cttcctggtccttgccacac-3', reverse 5'-caccagctcctggaacttgg-3', probe 5'-tcagggcc cagcaactgccaac-3'. Primers and probes for detecting human *NOR-1*, and human *-2-microglobulin* were purchased from TaqMan Gene Expression Assays (Applied Biosystems). The abundance of *NUR77* and *NOR-1* transcript relative to that of *-2-microglobulin* was calculated as follows: relative expression (RE) =  $100 \times 2^{\text{exp}[-\text{Ct}]}$ , where Ct is the mean Ct of *NUR77* and *NOR-1* less than the mean Ct of the transcript for *-2-microglobulin*.