Supplementary Material



Supplementary Figure S1. Renal fibrosis was reduced in UUO mice treated with Fc-gp130. (A-B) ELISA of sIL-6R(A) and IL-6 (B) in mouse plasma on day 14 after UUO or CON surgery. (C) Western blotting analysis of gp130, membrane-bound IL-6 receptor (mIL-6R), and pan-cadherin in cell membrane extracts on day 14 after UUO. (D-E) Samples from WT mice pretreated with or without Fc-gp130 and IL-6 KO C57BL/6 mice were collected on day 14 after UUO or CON surgery. Immunohistochemistry and quantitative analysis of collagen III (D) and vimentin (E) content in renal tissue. Scale bar, 50 µm. Data are means \pm SD, n = 6 per group; ns, not significant, **p < 0.01, ***p < 0.001. Representative results from three independent experiments are shown.



Supplementary Figure S2. Fc-gp130 specifically suppressed p-STAT3 induced by IL-6 trans-signaling. (A) Renal tissue samples were collected on day 7 after UUO. Western blotting analysis of phosphorylated (p)-p65 and Lamin B in nuclear extracts and of NF-κB p65 and tubulin in total lysates. **(B)** Renal tissue samples were collected on day 7 and 14 after UUO. Western blotting analysis of p-STAT3, STAT3 and tubulin in renal lysates. **(C)** NRK-49F cells were treated with IL-6 (+, 50 ng/ml; ++, 80 ng/ml), IL-6R (+, 200 ng/ml) or Fc-gp130 (+, 500 ng/ml) for 12 h. Western blotting analysis of p-STAT3, STAT3 and tubulin in cell lysates. **(D)** NRK-49F cells were treated with IL-6 (50 ng/ml) plus IL-6R (200 ng/ml), or Fc-gp130 (500 ng/ml) for a brief period (0.5 or 1 h). Western blotting analysis of p-STAT3, STAT3 and tubulin in cell lysates. **(E)** HK2 cells were treated with IL-6 (50 ng/ml) plus IL-6R (200 ng/ml), or Fc-gp130 (500 ng/ml) for the indicated durations (3, 6, 12 h). Western blotting

analysis of p-STAT3, STAT3, and tubulin in cell lysates. Each experiment was performed at least in triplicate.



Supplementary Figure S3. Renal fibrosis was reduced in IR mice treated with Fc-gp130. (A-B) ELISA of sIL-6R(A) and IL-6 (B) in mouse plasma on day 14 after renal ischemia reperfusion (IR) or sham control (CON) surgery. (C) Western blotting analysis of gp130, membrane-bound IL-6 receptor (mIL-6R), and pan-cadherin in cell membrane extracts on day 14 after IR. (D-E) Blood urea nitrogen (BUN) (D) and creatinine (E) levels on day 0, 1, 7, 14, 28, and 42 after IR. (F-G) Samples from C57BL/6 mice were collected on day 42 after IR or CON surgery. Immunohistochemistry and quantitative analysis of collagen III (F) and vimentin (G) content in renal tissue. Scale bar, 50 μ m. Data are means \pm SD, n = 6 per group; *p <

0.05, **p < 0.01, ***p < 0.001. Representative results from three independent experiments are shown.