

Scale bars : 20 μ m

Figure S1. Inhibition of RhoA and ROCK affects the F-actin formation in scrapie-infected hippocampal neuronal cells. Control (CON) and 22L scrapie-infected ZW13-2 hippocampal neuronal cells were incubated with or without 10 μ M Y27632 or 1 μ g/ml Tat-C3 for 24 h and analyzed F-actin formation by immunocytochemical staining. Cells were fixed with 4% PFA and permeabilized with 0.2% Triton X-100 in PBS. F-actin was stained with Alexa Fluor 488-phalloidin and DAPI was used to counterstain the nuclei. All pictures are representative of multiple images from three independent experiments (scale bars, 20 μ m).

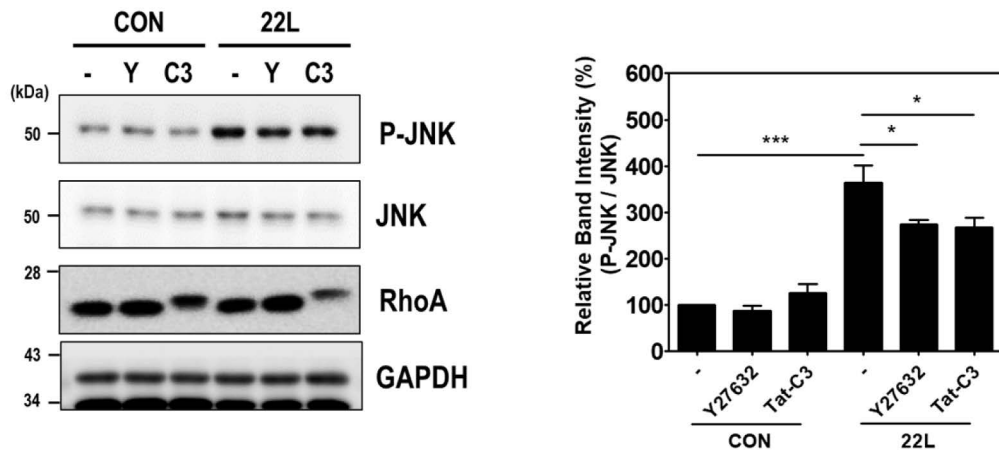


Figure S2. Inhibition of RhoA and ROCK affects the JNK phosphorylation in scrapie-infected hippocampal neuronal cells. Control (CON) and 22L scrapie-infected ZW13-2 cells were incubated with or without 10 μ M Y27632 (Y) and 1 μ g/ml Tat-C3 (C3) for 24 h. Phosphorylation levels of JNK was analyzed by Western blot. GAPDH was used as a loading control. The intensities of the bands in each panel were measured and quantified. The values were expressed as the mean \pm SEM of three independent experiments. Statistical data were obtained by one-way ANOVA test with Tukey's *post hoc* test ($n=3$, $*p < 0.05$; $***p < 0.001$).

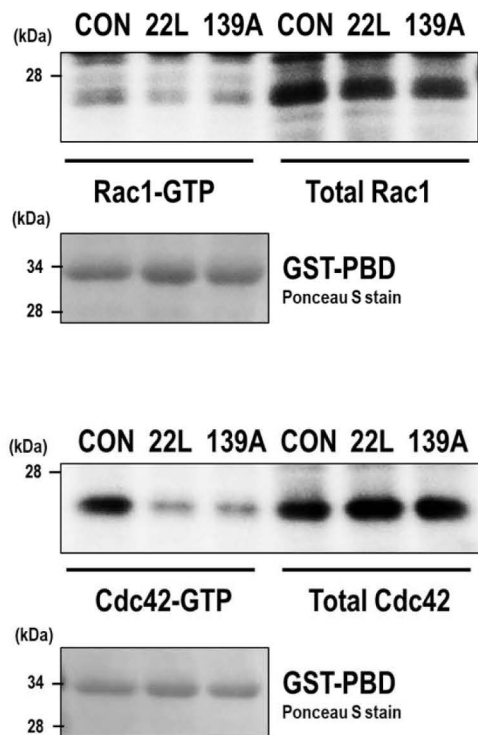
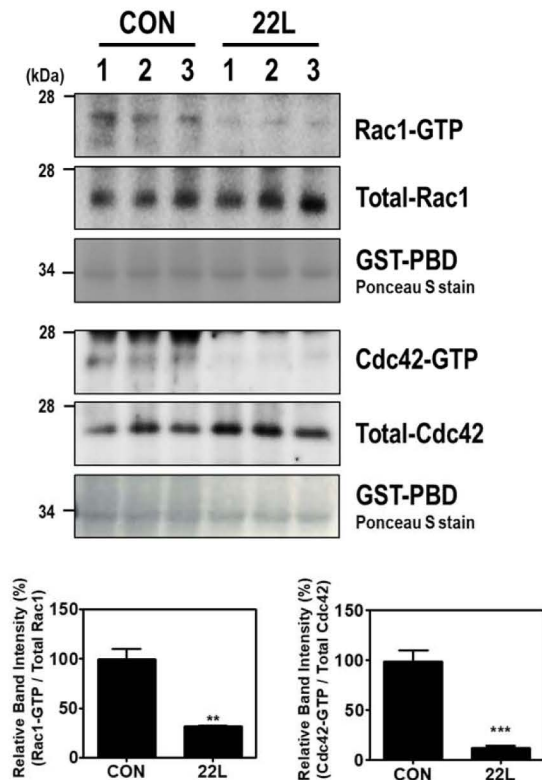
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Figure S3. Scrapie infection is involved in Rac1 and Cdc42 activation. (A and B) Detection of Rac1-GTP and Cdc42-GTP by GST-p21-activated kinase 1 (PAK1)-PBD pull-down assay in ZW13-2 cells with or without scrapie infection (22L or 139A) (A) and the brains of 22L scrapie-infected mice (B). The data are expressed as the mean \pm SEM of three independent experiments. Statistical differences were determined by one-way ANOVA test with Tukey's *post hoc* test ($n=3$, ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$).