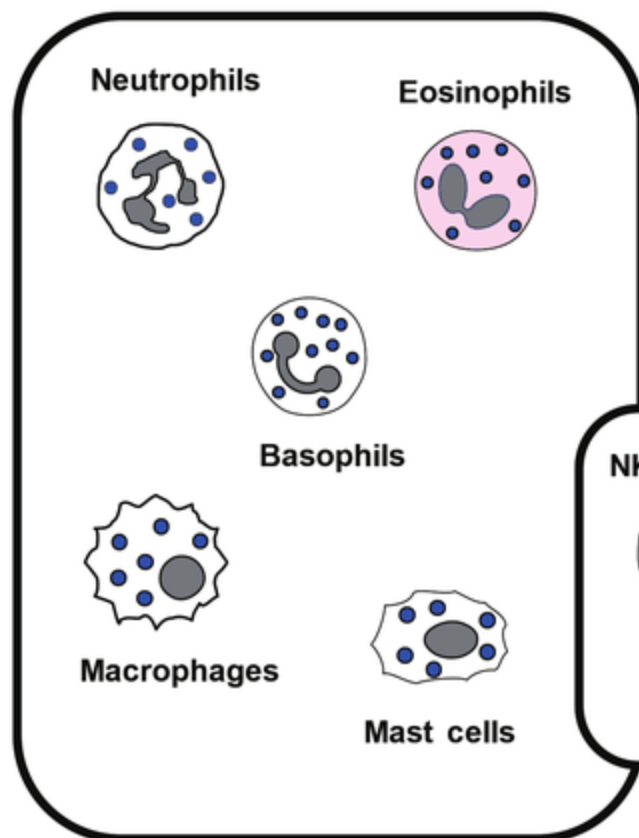


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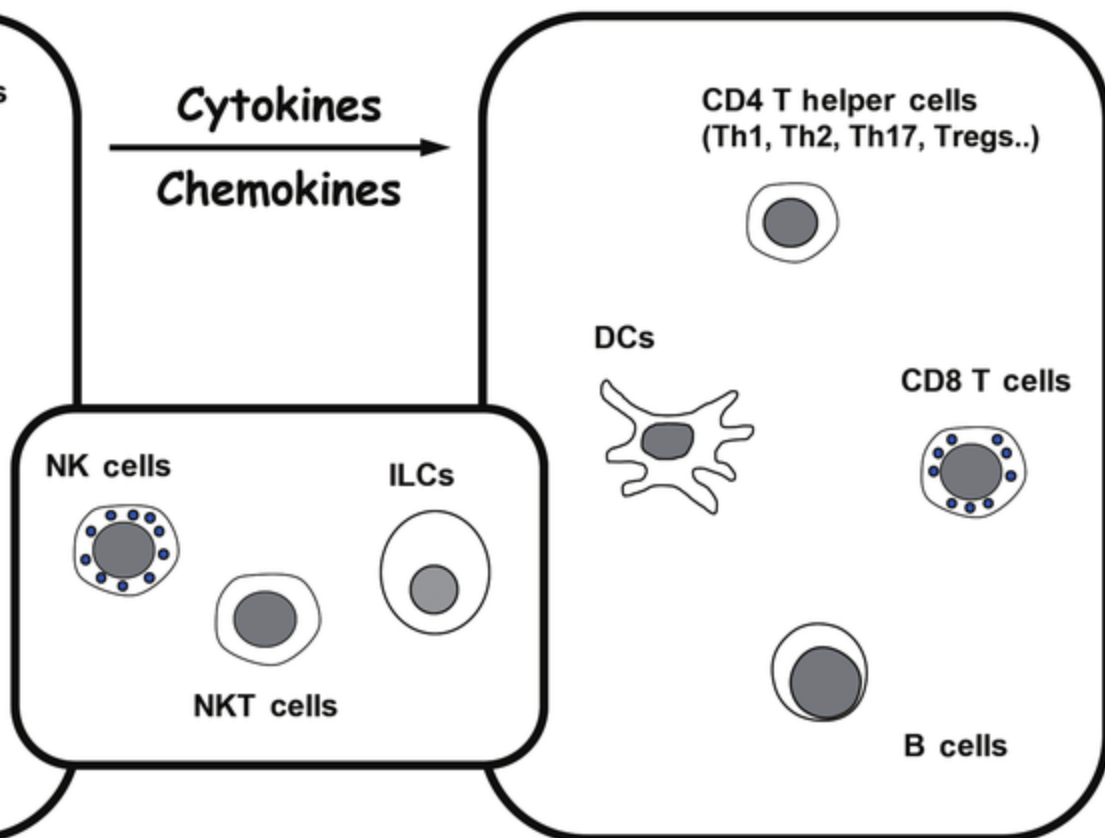
Innate immunity



Non-specific immunity

Cytokines
Phagocytosis
Cytotoxicity

Adaptive immunity



Antigen-specific immunity

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Innate immunity (Έμφυτη ανοσία)

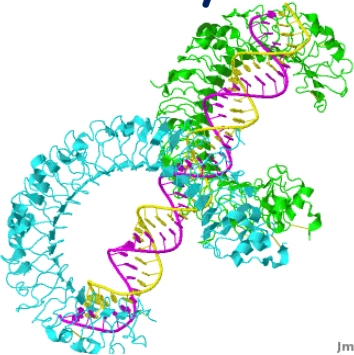
Η έμφυτη ανοσία αναγνωρίζει τα σημάδια «κινδύνου» εντοπίζοντας μικροβιακά μοτίβα μέσω των υποδοχέων αναγνώρισης προτύπων (pattern-recognition receptors-PRRs)

PRRs

- pathogen-associated molecular patterns (PAMPs)
- danger associated molecular patterns (DAMPs)

Οι υποδοχείς PRR εκφράζονται στα κύτταρα άμυνας πρώτης γραμμής (μακροφάγα, μονοκύτταρα, δενδριτικά κύτταρα, ουδετερόφιλα, επιθηλιακά κύτταρα)

Συνδέονται στη μεμβράνη → Toll like receptors, C-type lectin receptors
Cytosolic → NOD like receptors, RIG like receptors



Pattern recognition receptors ligands

CLR

- Transmembrane proteins localized at the **plasma membrane**
- Recognize **glycans** from the wall of fungi and some bacteria
- Activate kinase **syk** and **CARD9/MALT1/Bcl-10** adapter complex

Example: Dectin-1/CLEC7A recognizes β -1,3-glucans of the cell wall of various fungi species

NLR

- **Cytoplasmic** sensors
- Multiple subfamilies:
NLPRs recognize bacterial, viral, parasitic and fungal PAMPs
AIM2 detects viral and bacterial **DNA**
- Form multiprotein signalling complexes known as **inflammasomes**
- Activates caspase-1-mediated processing and activation of pro-interleukins IL-1 β and IL-18
- NOD1 and NOD2** recognize bacterial peptidoglycan

TLR

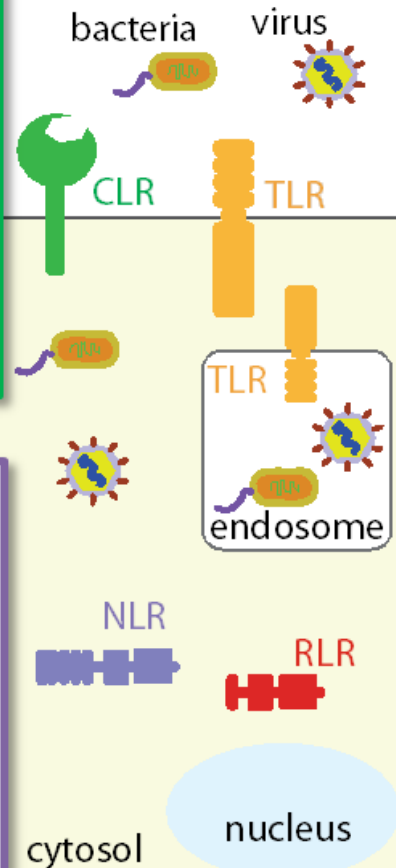
- Transmembrane proteins localized either at the **plasma membrane** or in **endosomes**
- Broad range of specificities recognizing **proteins, nucleic acids, glycans** etc...
- Activate **MAP kinase, NF κ B** and **IRF** pathways

Example: TLR4 recognizes lipopolysaccharide (LPS), a component of the gram-bacteria cell wall

RLR

- **Cytoplasmic** sensors of **viral RNA**
- Signal via the mitochondrial adaptor protein **MAVS**
- Trigger antiviral responses including the production of type I interferon

Examples: RIG-I and MDA5



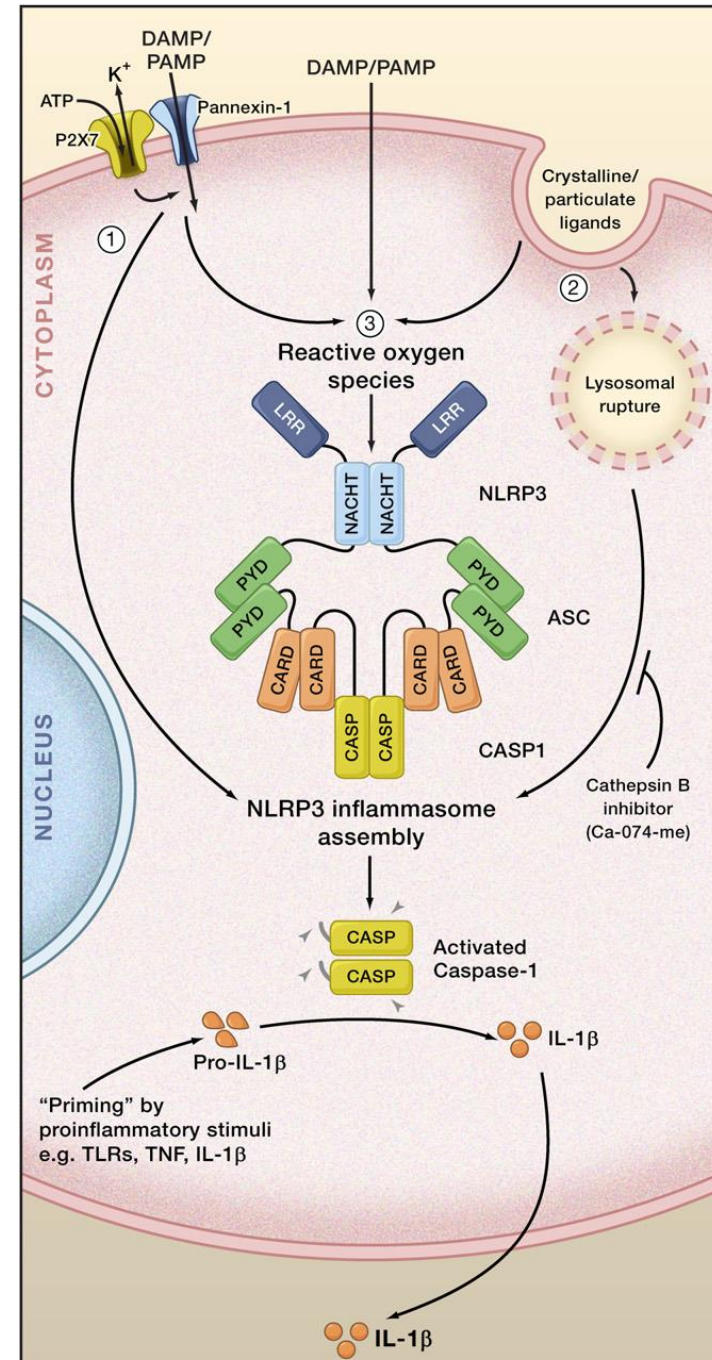
NLRP3 inflammasome activators

Activator	Source	Examples
DAMP	Self-derived	ATP, cholesterol crystals, monosodium urate crystals, calcium pyrophosphate dihydrate crystals, calcium oxalate crystals, soluble uric acid, neutrophil extracellular traps, cathelicidin, α -synuclein, amyloid- β , serum amyloid A, prion protein, biglycan, hyaluronan, islet amyloid polypeptide, hydroxyapatite, haeme, oxidized mitochondrial DNA, membrane attack complex, cyclic GMP-AMP, lysophosphatidylcholine, ceramides, oxidized phospholipid 1-palmitoyl-2-arachidonoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphorylcholine and sphingosine
	Foreign-derived	Alum, silica, aluminium hydroxide, nanoparticles, carbon nanotubes, chitosan, palmitate (also self-derived), UVB, imiquimod (R837)/CL097 and resiquimod (R848)
PAMP	Bacterial	Lipopolysaccharide, peptidoglycan, muramyl dipeptide, trehalose-6,6'-dibehenate, c-di-GMP-c-di-AMP, bacterial RNA and RNA-DNA hybrid Toxins: nigericin (<i>Streptomyces hygroscopicus</i>), gramicidin (<i>Brevibacillus brevis</i>), valinomycin (<i>Streptomyces fulvissimus</i> and <i>Streptomyces tsusimaensis</i>), β -haemolysin (<i>Streptococcus</i> sp. 'group B'), α -haemolysin (<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>), M protein (<i>Streptococcus</i> sp. 'group A'), leucocidin (<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>), tetanolysin O (<i>Clostridium tetani</i>), pneumolysin (<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>), listeriolysin O (<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>), aerolysin (<i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i>), streptolysin O (<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i>), enterohaemolysin (<i>Escherichia coli</i> O157:H7), haemolysin BL (<i>Bacillus cereus</i>), adenylate cyclase toxin (<i>Bordetella pertussis</i>), M protein (<i>Streptococcus</i> sp. 'group A') and maitotoxin (<i>Marina</i> spp. dinoflagellates)
	Viral	Double-stranded RNA and single-stranded RNA
	Fungal	β -Glucans, hyphae, mannan and zymosan

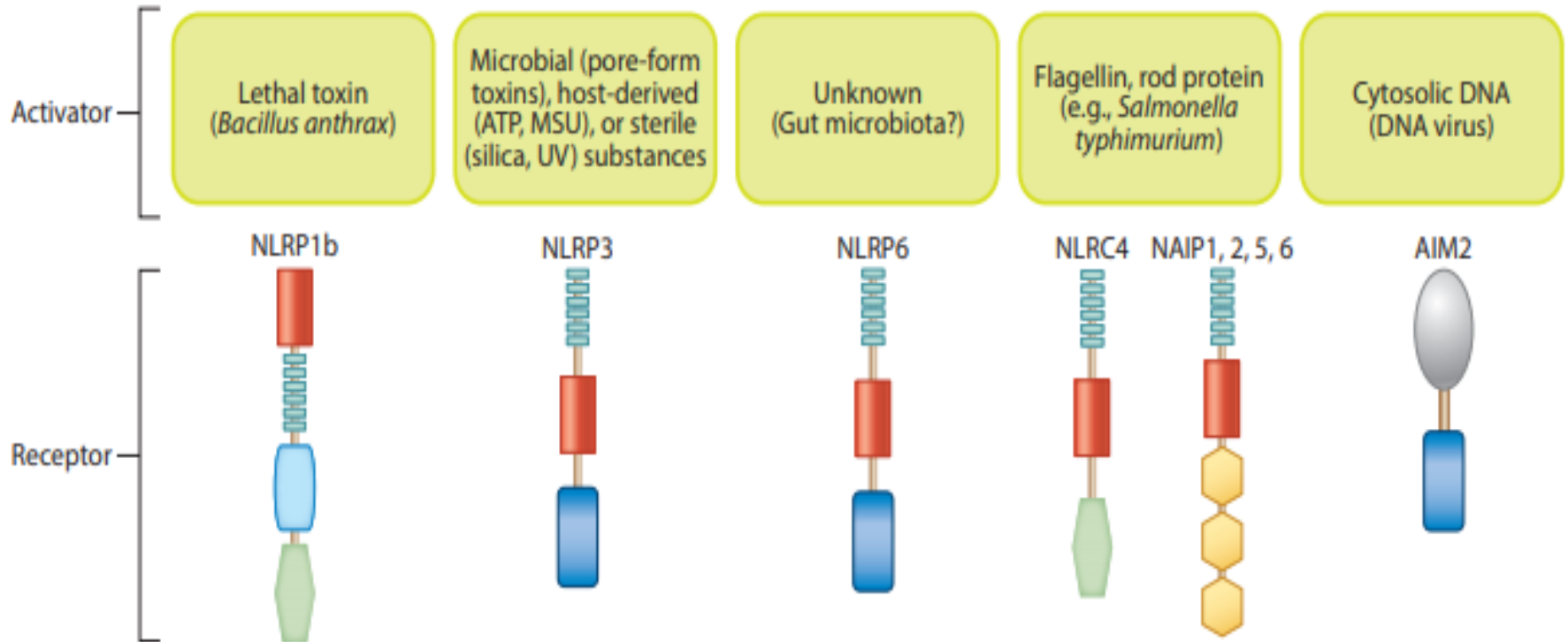
Structures of the inflammasomes

○ NLR family

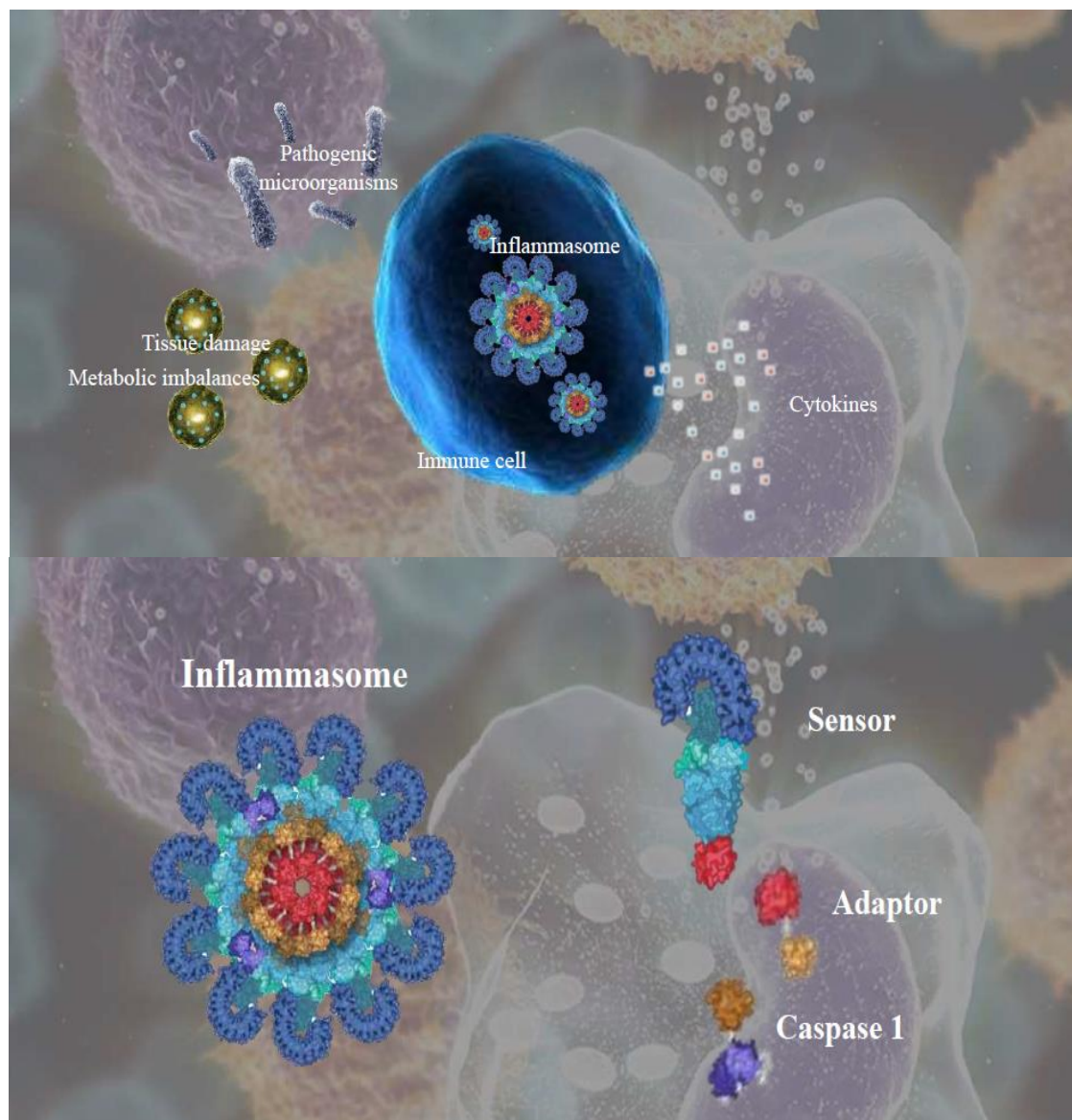
- *a sensor - central nucleotide-binding and oligomerization (NACHT) domain, which is commonly flanked by C-terminal leucine-rich repeats (LRRs)*
- *an adaptor molecule known as apoptosis-associated speck-like protein containing caspase activation and recruitment domain (CARD) (ASC), or pyrin (PYD) domain*
- *the effector molecule caspase-1*
- NOD like receptors with a pyrine domain → NLRP (1,3)
- With a caspase recruitment domain → NLRC
- NLRP3 = NOD like receptor with a pyrine domain 3
- Best characterized



NOD-like receptors and their activators



Οι PRRs ενεργοποιούν έναν καταρράκτη σηματοδότησης που επάγει φλεγμονώδη απάντηση → ενεργοποίηση της επίκτητης ανοσίας



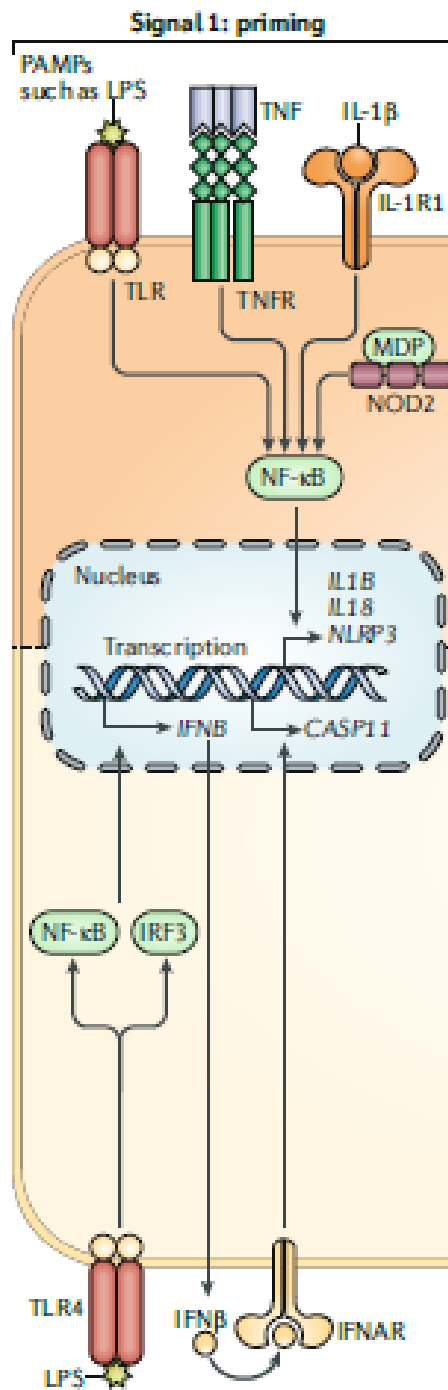
Μέλη της οικογένειας NLR σχηματίζουν μεγάλα κυτταροπλασματικά συμπλέγματα



Φλεγμονοσώματα

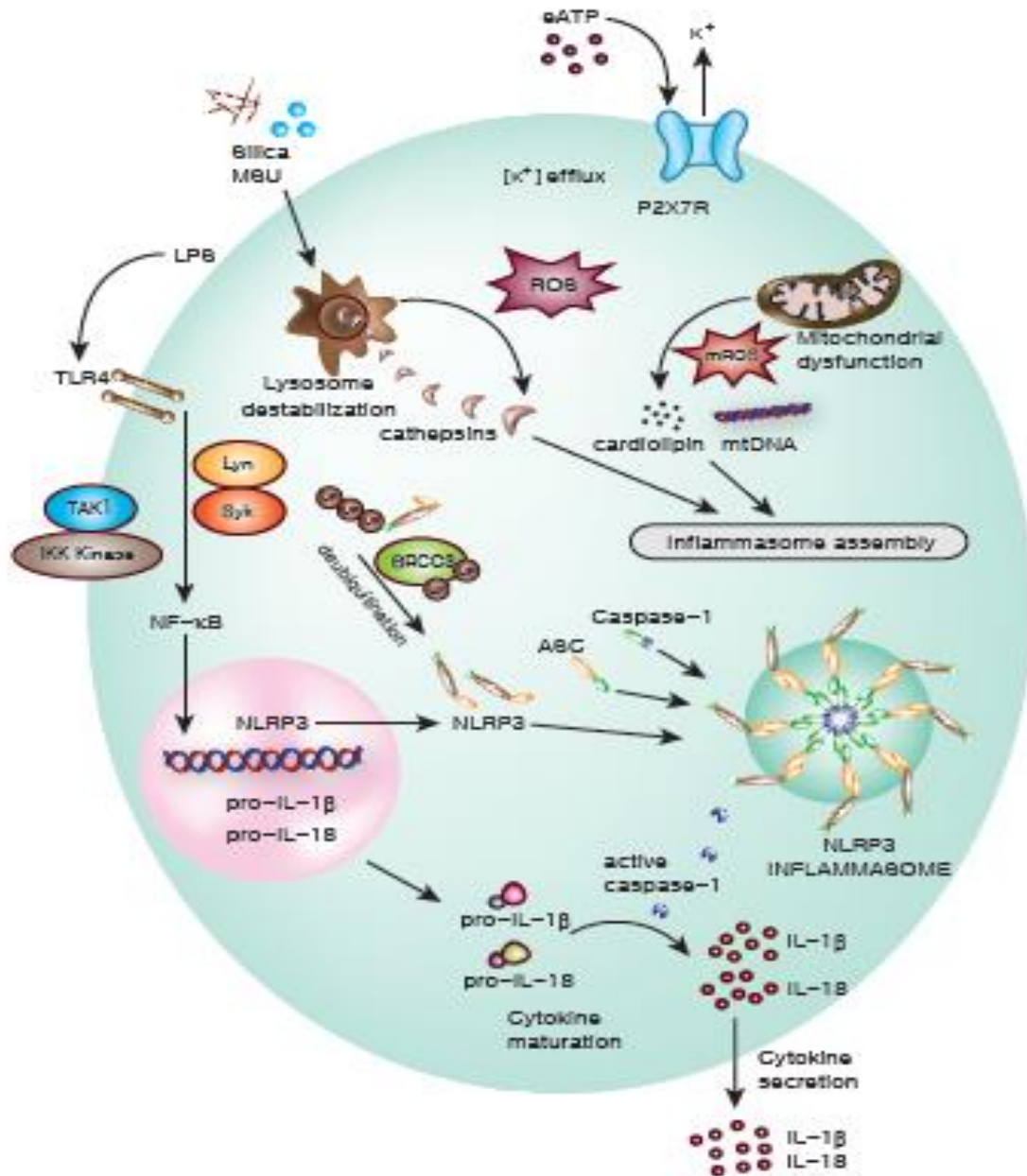
Μοριακές πλατφόρμες που συνδέουν την αναγνώριση μικροβιακών/κυτταρικών προϊόντων μετά από λοιμώξεις ή καταστάσεις stress με την πρωτεολυτική ενεργοποίηση των φλεγμονωδών κυτταροκινών IL-1 β και IL-18 μέσω της caspase-1

Alarmins



Priming is provided by the activation of cytokines or pathogen-associated molecular patterns (PAMPs), leading to the transcriptional upregulation of canonical and non-canonical NLRP3 (NOD-, LRR- and pyrin domain-containing protein 3) inflammasome components.

The NLRP3 inflammasome responds to activating signals through a two-step activation model



Step 1

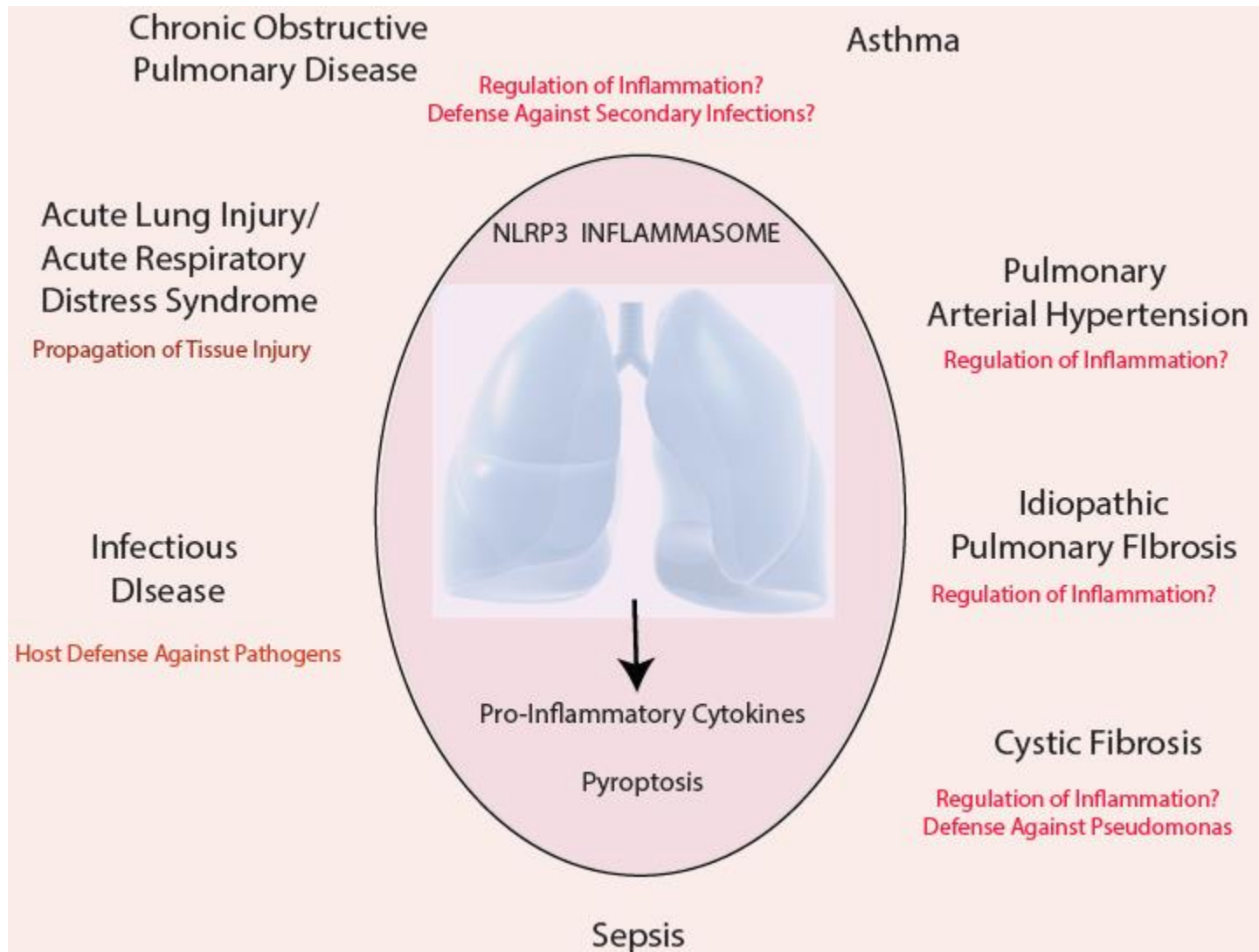
Initiation is typically triggered by ligand binding (e.g., LPS) to Toll like receptors (e.g., TLR4) and related receptors. This results in activation of NF-κB which translocates to the nucleus and activates the transcription of inflammasome components, including NLRP3, and the pro-forms of inflammasome-related cytokines (i.e., pro-IL-1β and pro-IL-18).

Step 2

A second signal is required for assembly of the inflammasome from its individual components (e.g., NLRP3, ASC, pro-caspase-1).

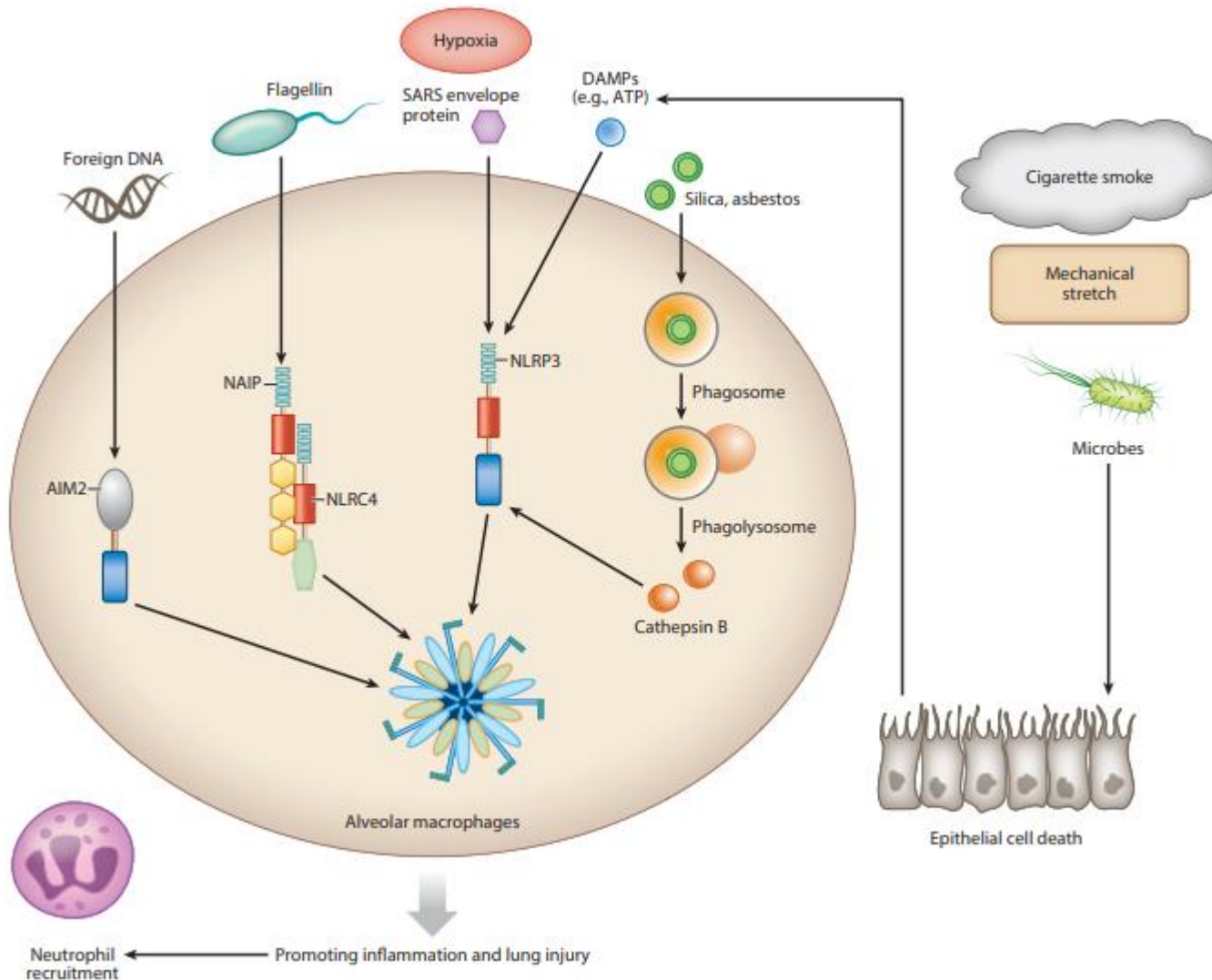
- The canonical signal is provided by P2X7 stimulation by ligand (e.g., eATP), which triggers potassium ion efflux.
- Additional contributory signals may include the destabilization of lysosomes after ingestion and phagocytosis of crystalline substrates such as monosodium urate crystals (MSU), and the disruption of mitochondria, leading to the release of mitochondrial DAMPs such as cardiolipin and mtDNA.
- Activation of inflammasome-associated caspase-1 results in the activation (cleavage) of pro-inflammatory cytokines (e.g., IL-1β, IL-18), prior to their secretion

NLRP3 inflammasome in lung disease



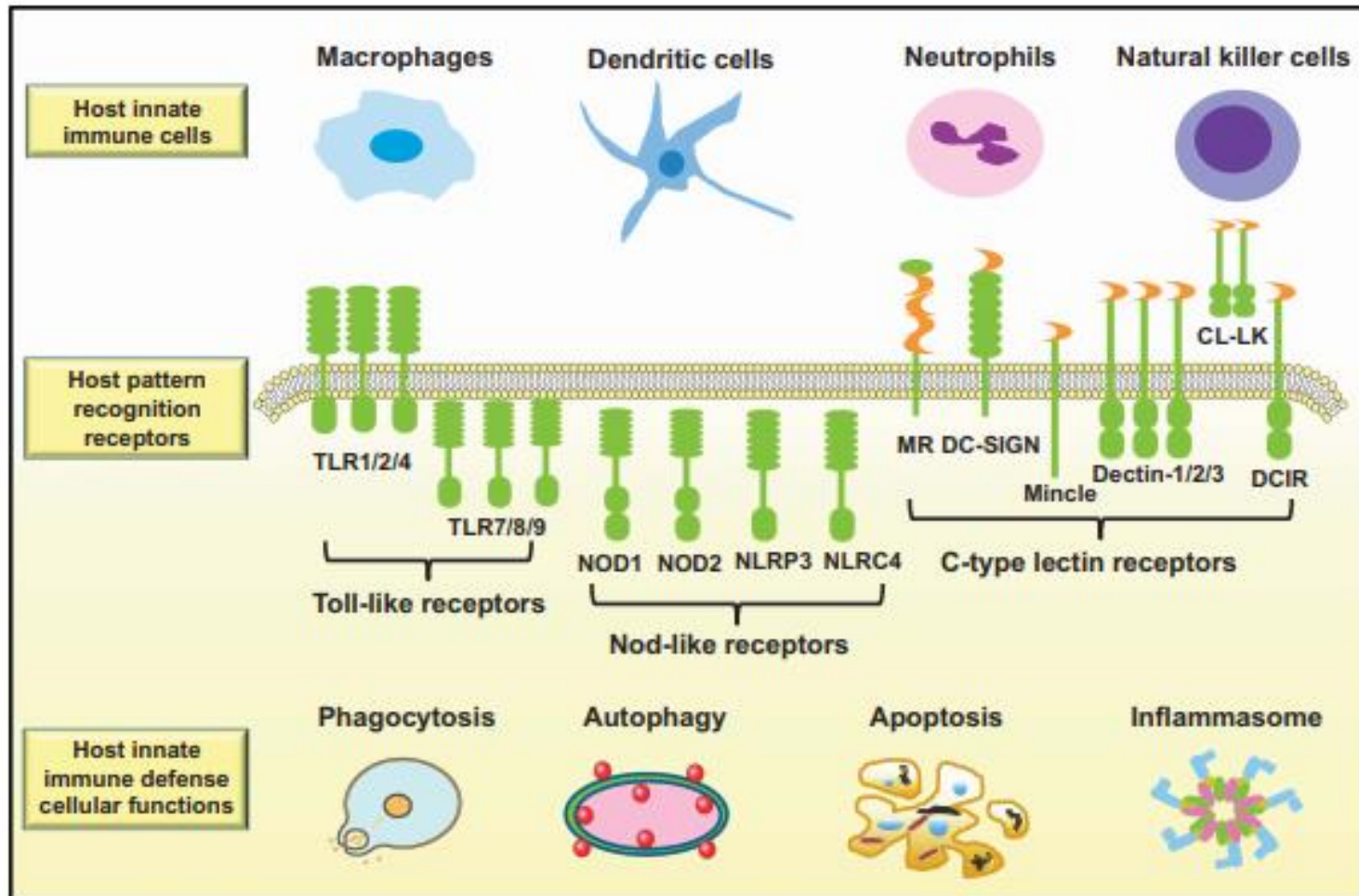
Infectious disease

Environmental triggers of inflammasome activation in a pulmonary macrophage



Innate immunity in tuberculosis: host defense vs pathogen evasion

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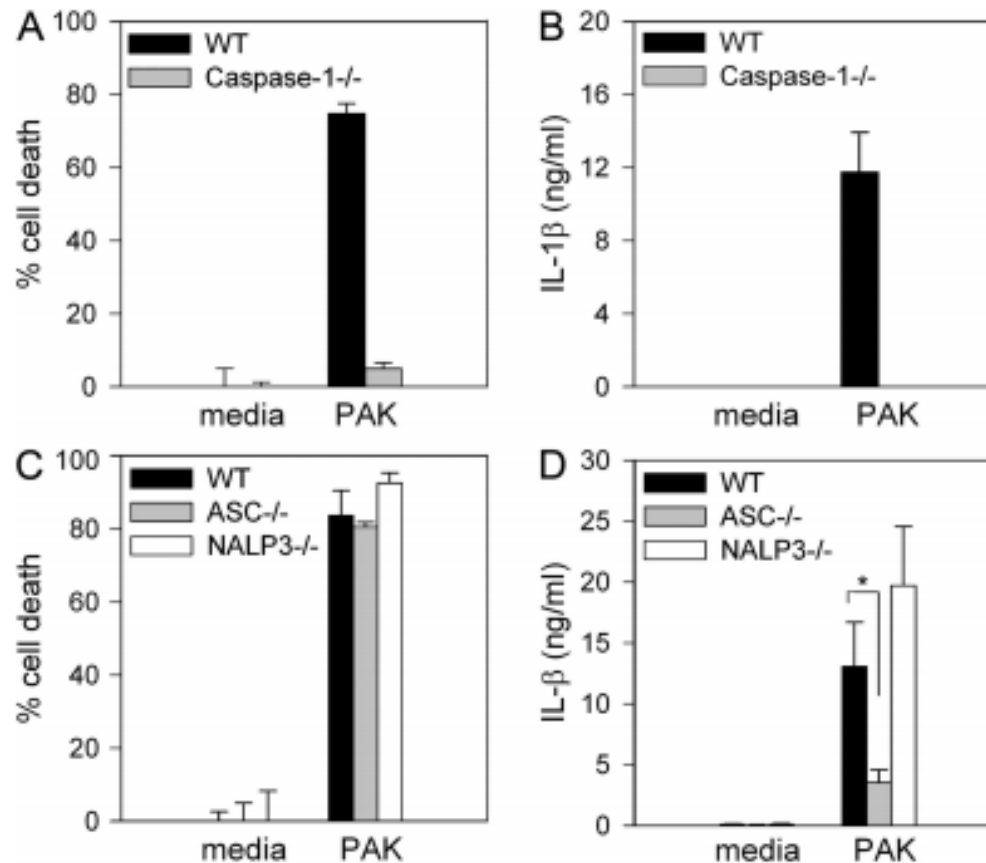
Investigating the Role of Nucleotide-Binding Oligomerization Domain–Like Receptors in Bacterial Lung Infection

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Bacteria	MAMP	NLR	Phenotype*
<i>Bordetella pertussis</i>	CyaA	Unknown Inflammasome	<i>Snd Nnd</i> BB↑ <i>BDnd</i> (IL-R1 ^{-/-} mice)
<i>Chlamydophila (Chlamydia) pneumoniae</i>	Unknown	Unknown Inflammasome	S↓ <i>Nnd</i> BB↑ <i>BDnd</i> (caspase-1 ^{-/-} mice)
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	PGN Unknown	NOD1/NOD2 NLRC4	S↓ N↑ BB↑ <i>BDnd</i> S↓ N↓ BB↑ BD↑
<i>Legionella pneumophila</i>	Unknown Flagellin	NLRP3 NLRC4	S↓ N↓ <i>BBnd</i> <i>BDnd</i> <i>Snd Nns</i> BB↑ <i>BDnd</i>
<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>	PGN mAGP	NOD1/NOD2 NOD2	S↓ N↓ BB↑ <i>BDnd</i> <i>Sns Nns</i> <i>BBns</i> <i>BDnd</i>
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	Flagellin/ExoUT3SS	NLRC4	<i>Sns Nnd</i> BB↑ BD↑
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	MDP	NOD2	<i>Sns</i> N↓ <i>BBns</i> <i>BDnd</i>
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	Pneumolysin	NLRP3	S↓ <i>Nns</i> <i>BBns</i> <i>BDns</i>

Immune recognition of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* mediated by the IPAF/NLRC4 inflammasome

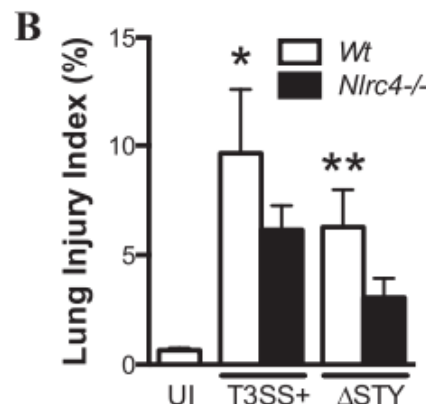
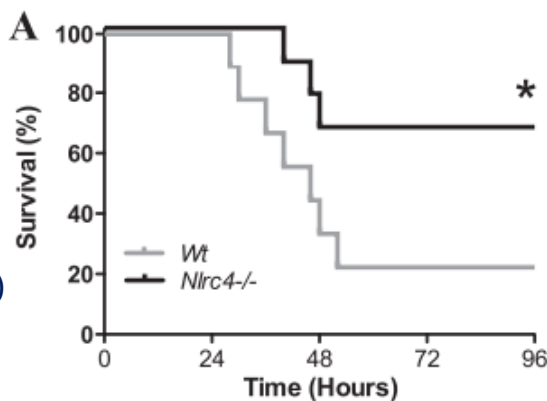
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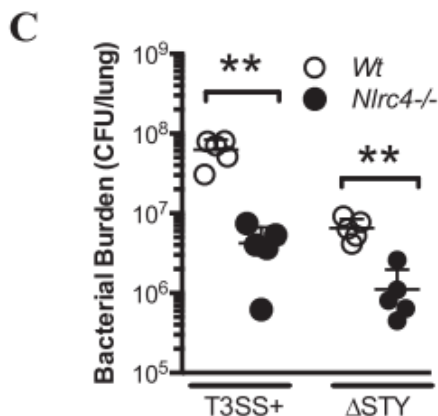


Pseudomonas aeruginosa Type-3 Secretion System Dampens Host Defense by Exploiting the NLRC4-coupled Inflammasome

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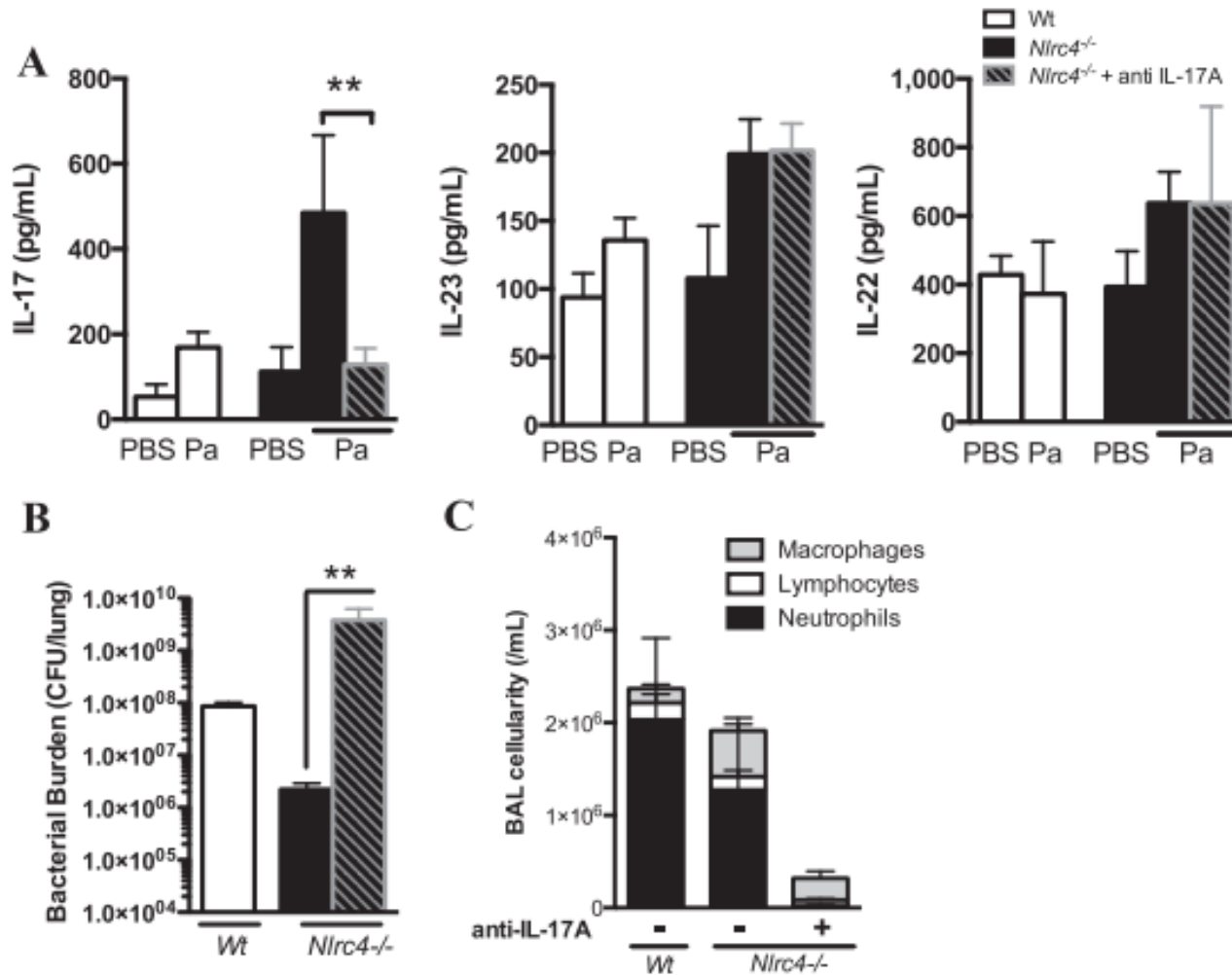
Pseudomonas aeruginosa triggers, through a functional type-3 secretion system (T3SS), the activation of NLRC4.



Nlrc4^{-/-} Mice Show Enhanced Bacterial Clearance and Decreased Lung Injury Contributing to Increased Survival against Extracellular *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* T3SS1 Strain

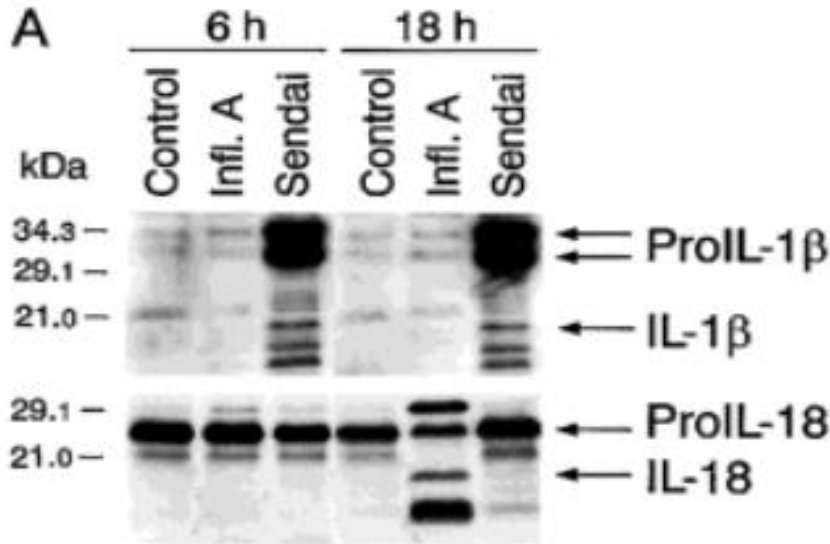
- Type-3 secretion system-positive (T3SS1) strain
- Strain lacking exotoxins (ΔSTY)

IL-17-mediated Host Response Is Increased in *Nlr4*^{-/-} Mice

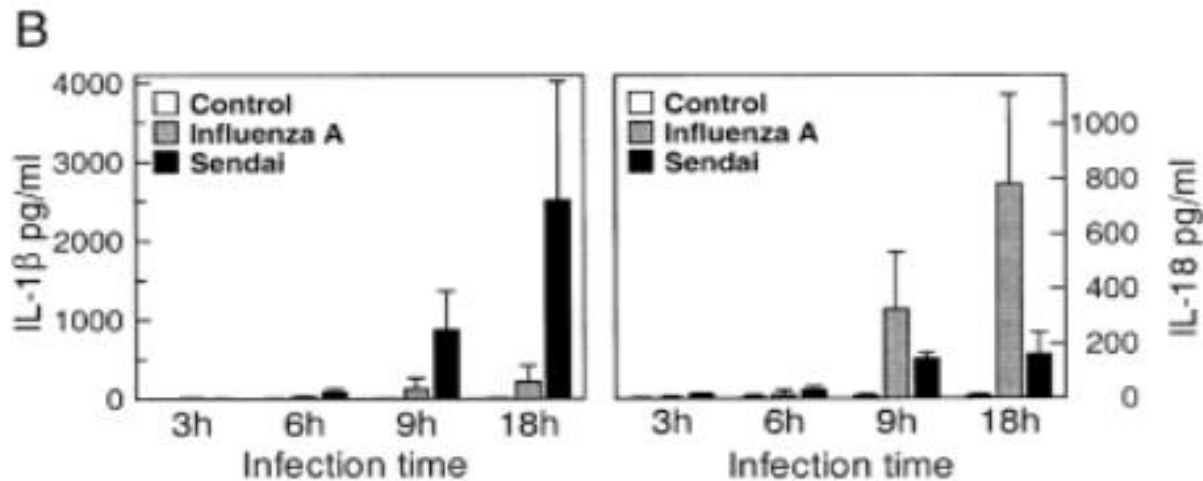


Virus infection induces proteolytic processing of IL-18 in human macrophages via caspase-1 and caspase-3 activation

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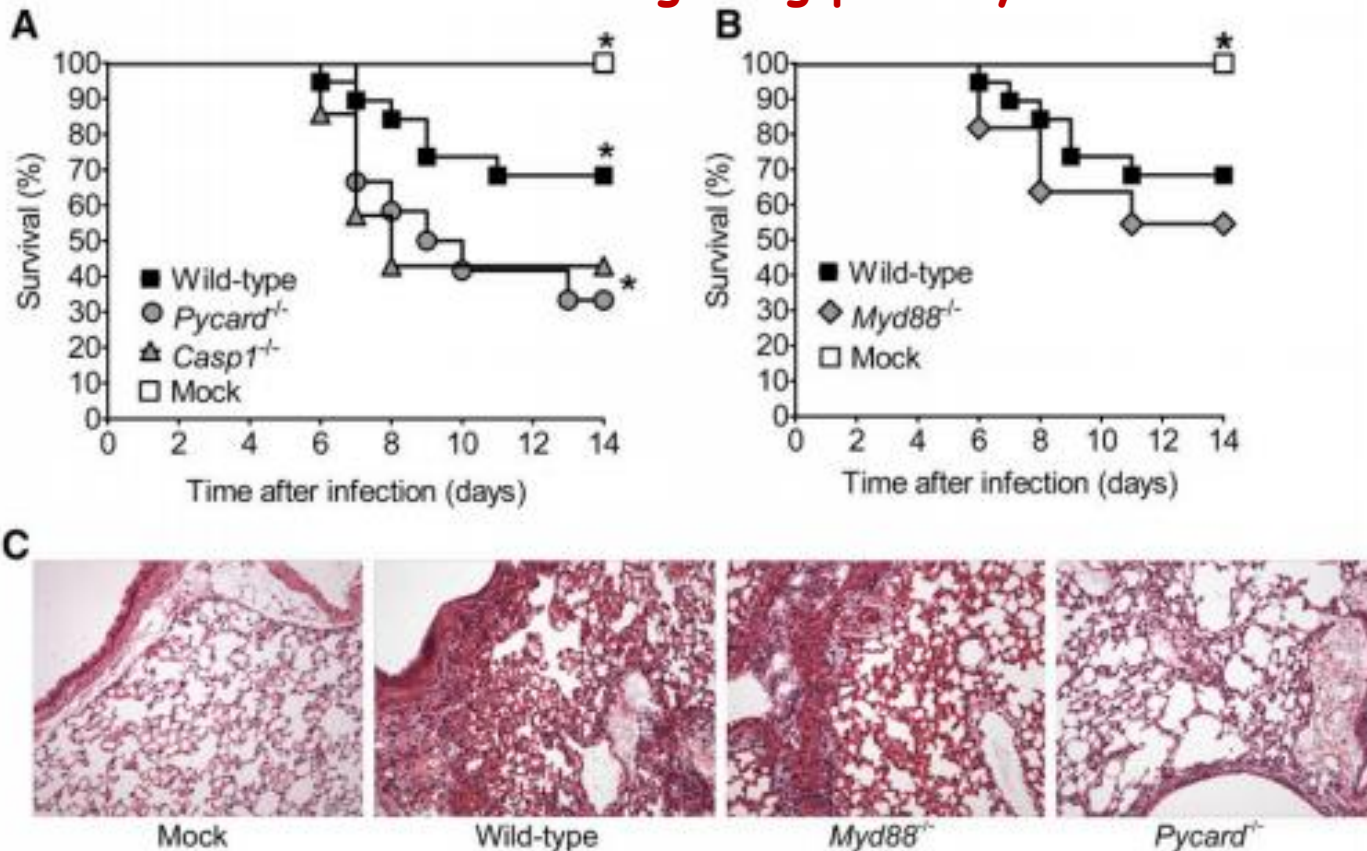
Virus infection induces the processing of pro-IL-1 and pro-IL-18 into their mature forms in macrophages



The NLRP3 Inflammasome Mediates *in vivo* Innate Immunity to Influenza A Virus through Recognition of Viral RNA

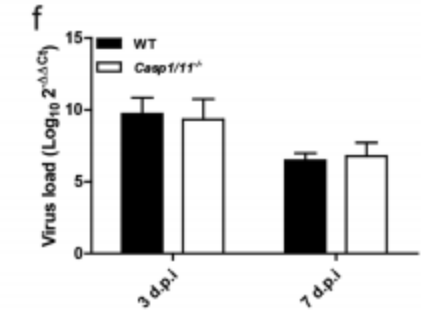
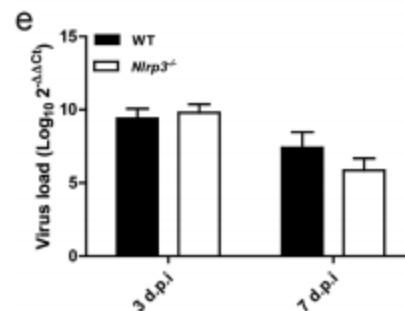
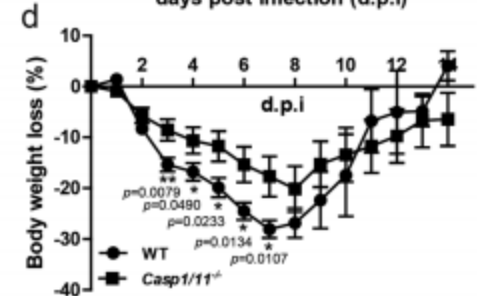
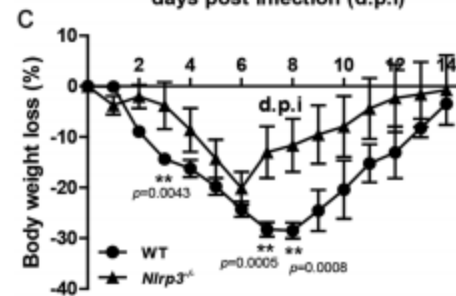
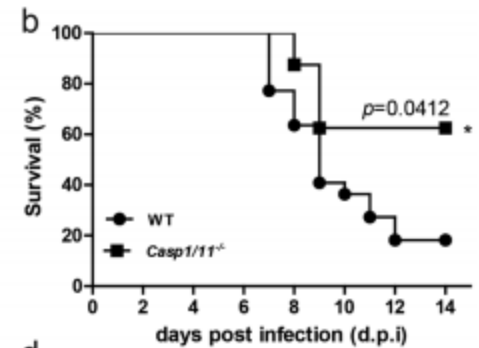
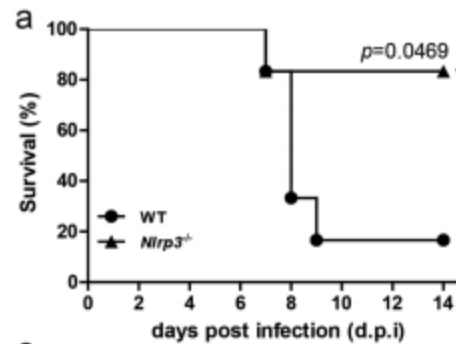
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Pathogenicity and immune response in mice deficient in inflammasome signaling pathways



The H7N9 influenza A virus infection results in lethal inflammation in the mammalian host via the NLRP3-caspase-1 inflammasome

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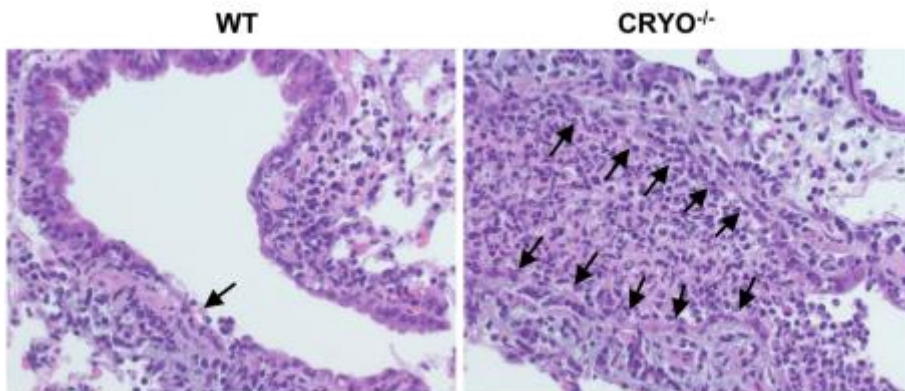
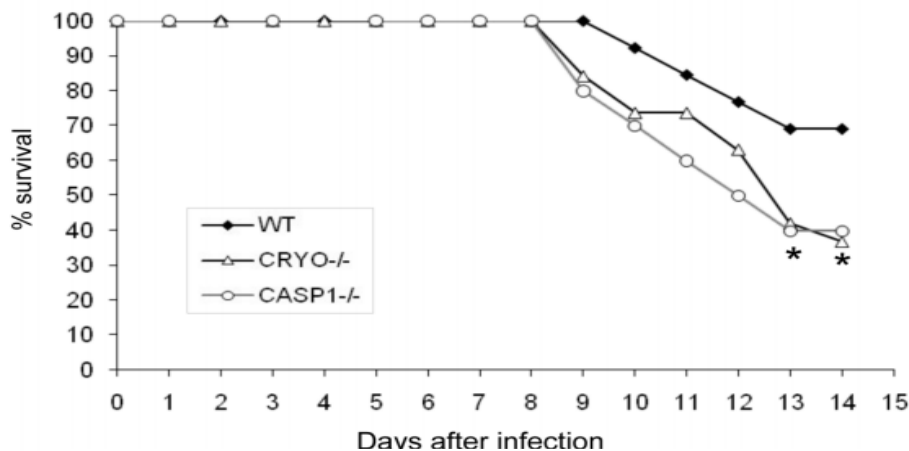


Mice deficient for NLRP3 inflammasome components, including NLRP3, caspase-1, and Apoptosis-associated speck-like protein containing a CARD (ASC), were less susceptible to H7N9 viral challenge than wild type (WT) controls.

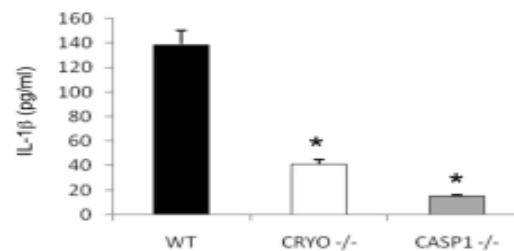
NLRP3 (NALP3/CIAS1/Cryopyrin) mediates key innate and healing responses to influenza A virus via the regulation of caspase-1

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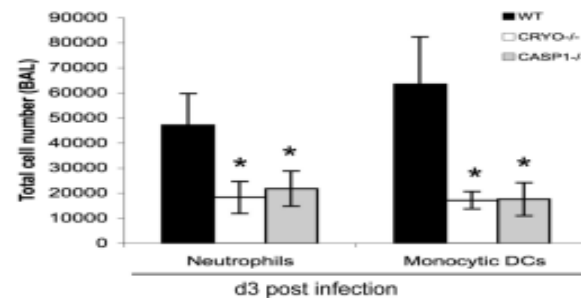
Nlrp3(-/-) and Casp1(-/-) mice were more susceptible than wild-type mice after infection with a pathogenic influenza A virus. This enhanced morbidity correlated with decreased neutrophil and monocyte recruitment



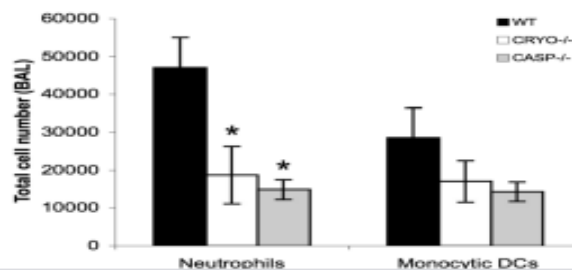
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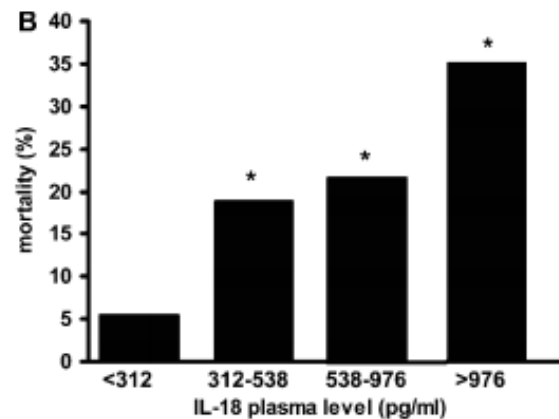
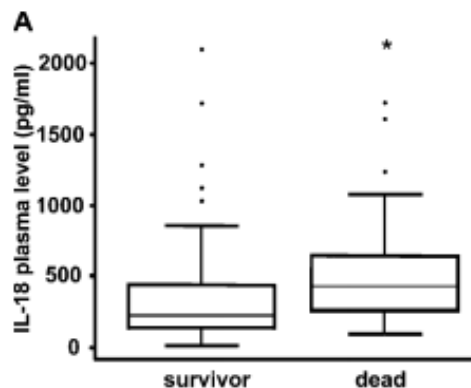
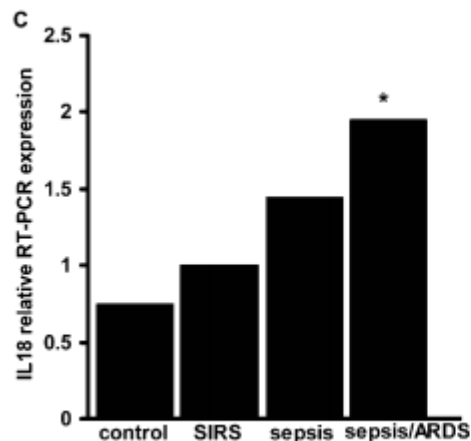
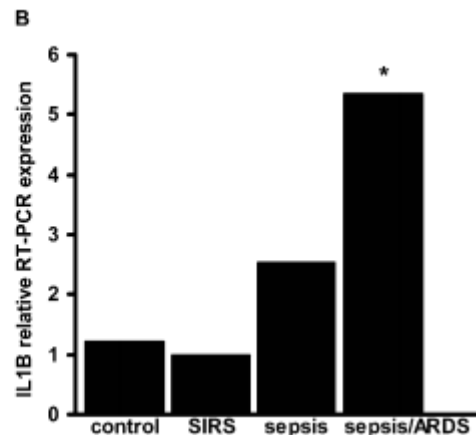
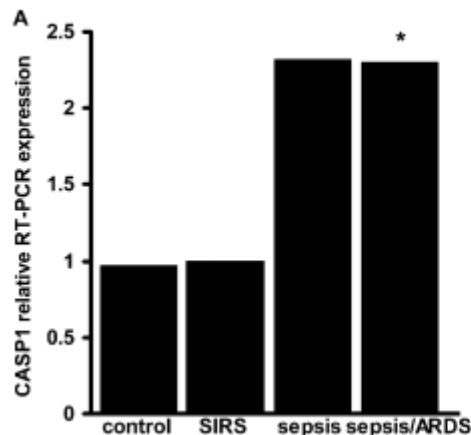
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Acute lung injury and ARDS

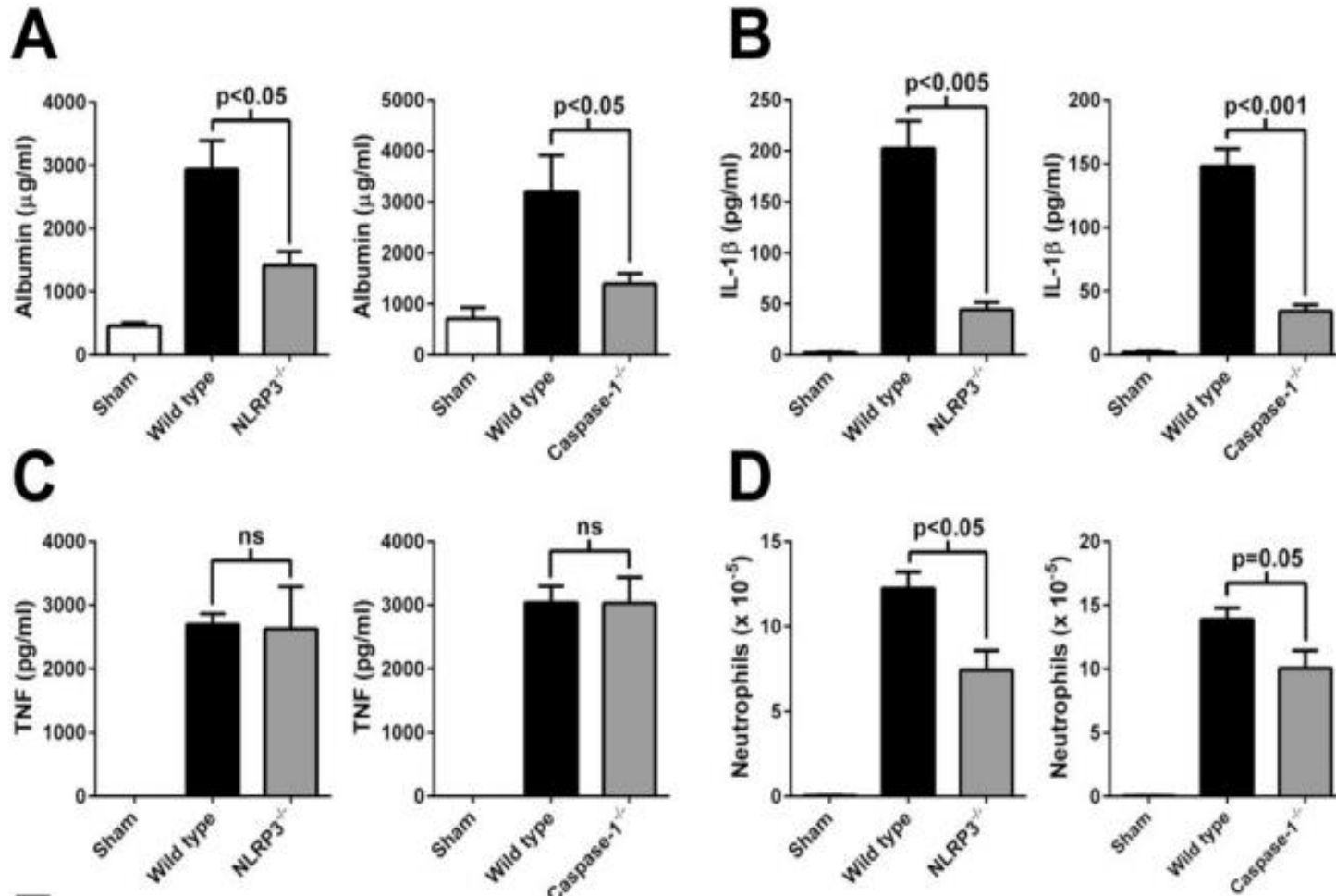
Inflammasome-regulated Cytokines Are Critical Mediators of Acute Lung Injury

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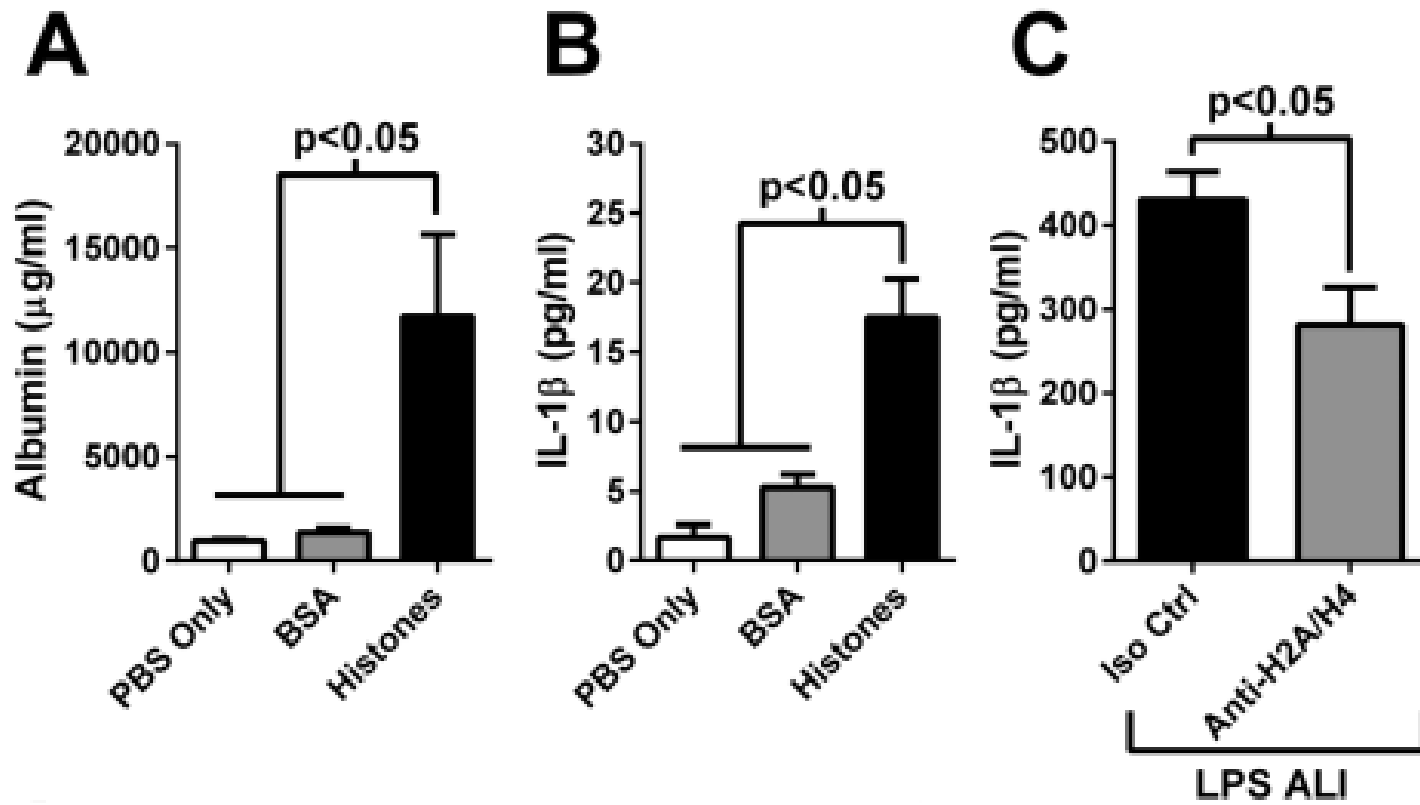
Critical role for the NLRP3 inflammasome during acute lung injury¹

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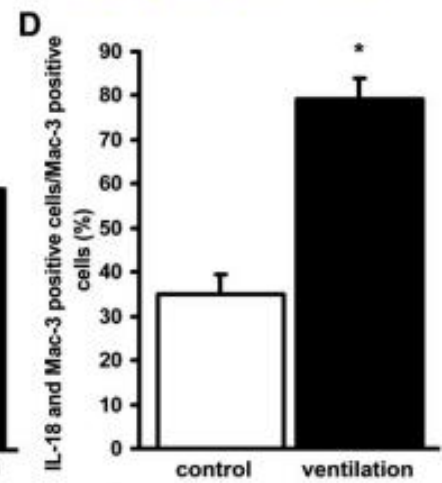
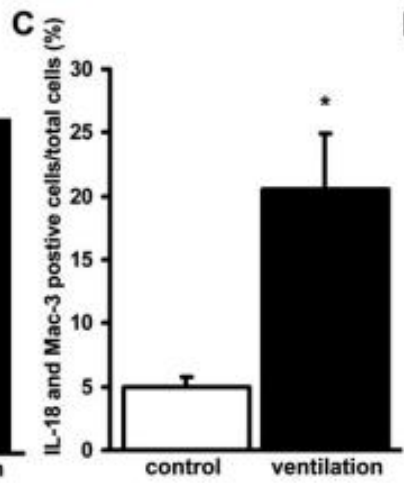
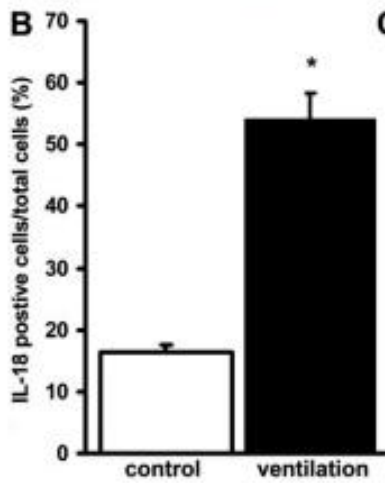
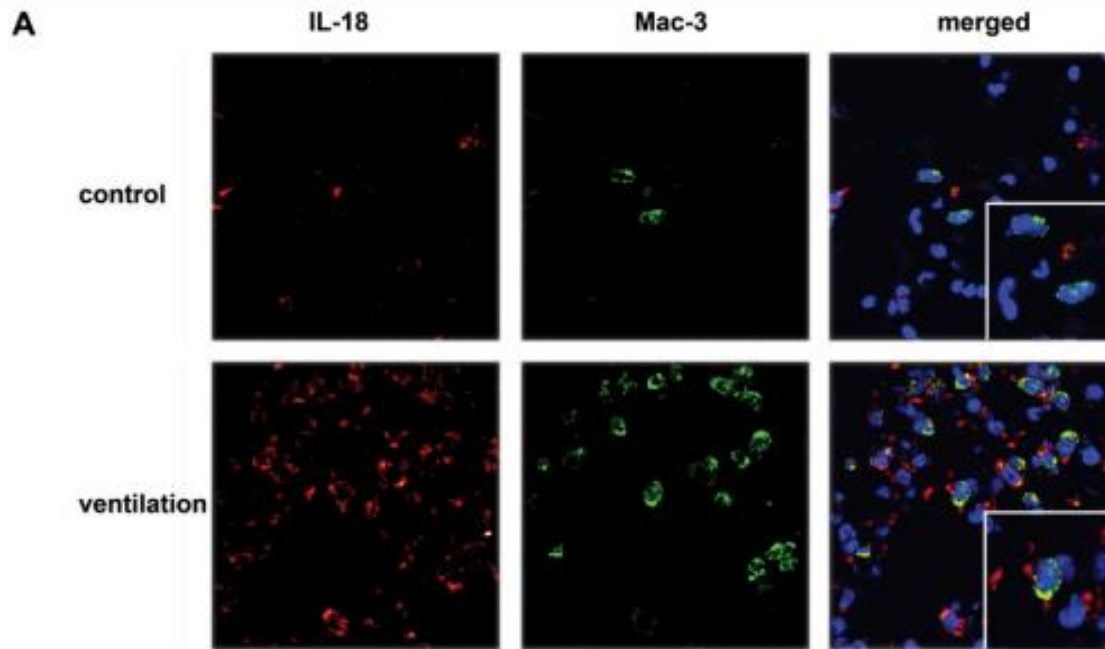


Extracellular histones activate the inflammasome

These data indicate an interaction between extracellular histones and the NLRP3 inflammasome, resulting in ALI. Such findings suggest novel targets for treatment of ALI, for which there is currently no known efficacious drug.

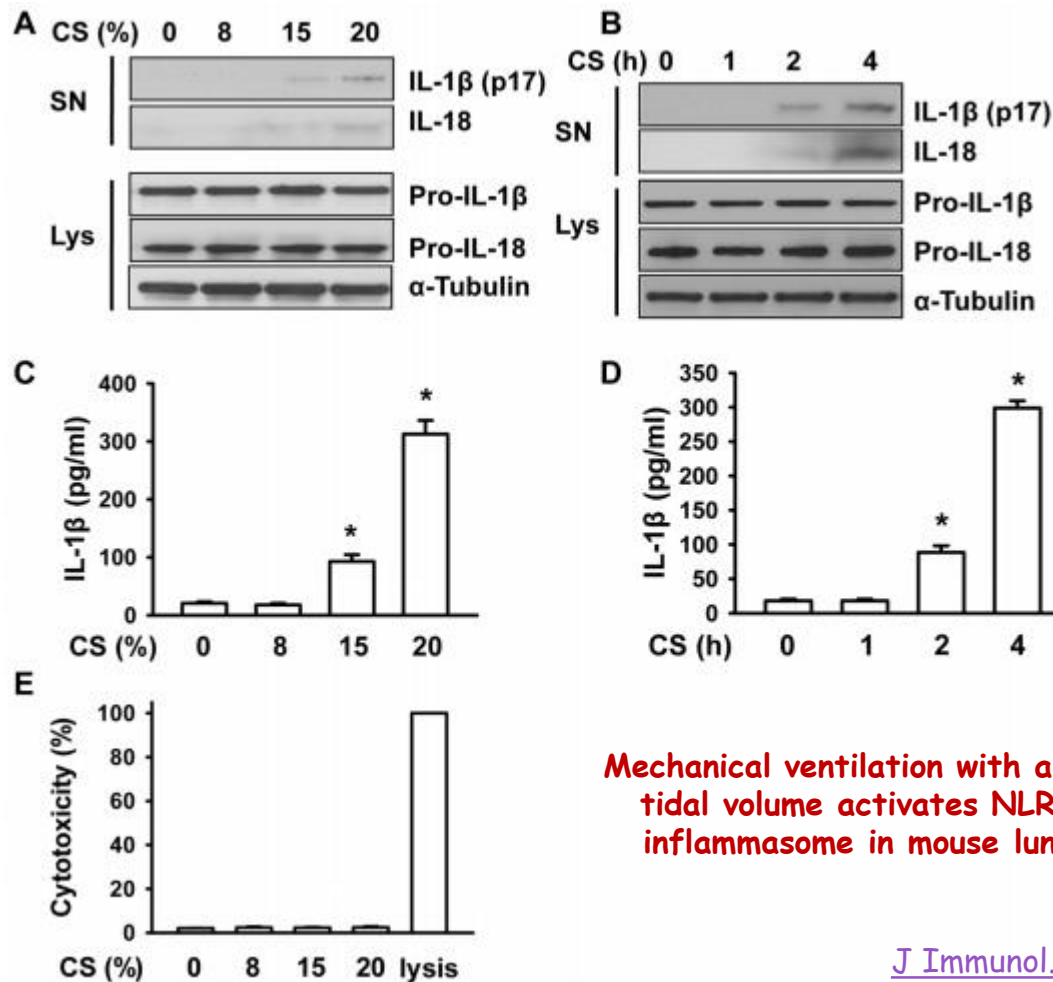


Mechanical ventilation (MV) increases the expression of the cleaved form of IL-18 in alveolar macrophages



Activation of NLRP3 inflammasome in alveolar macrophages contributes to mechanical stretch-induced lung inflammation and injury

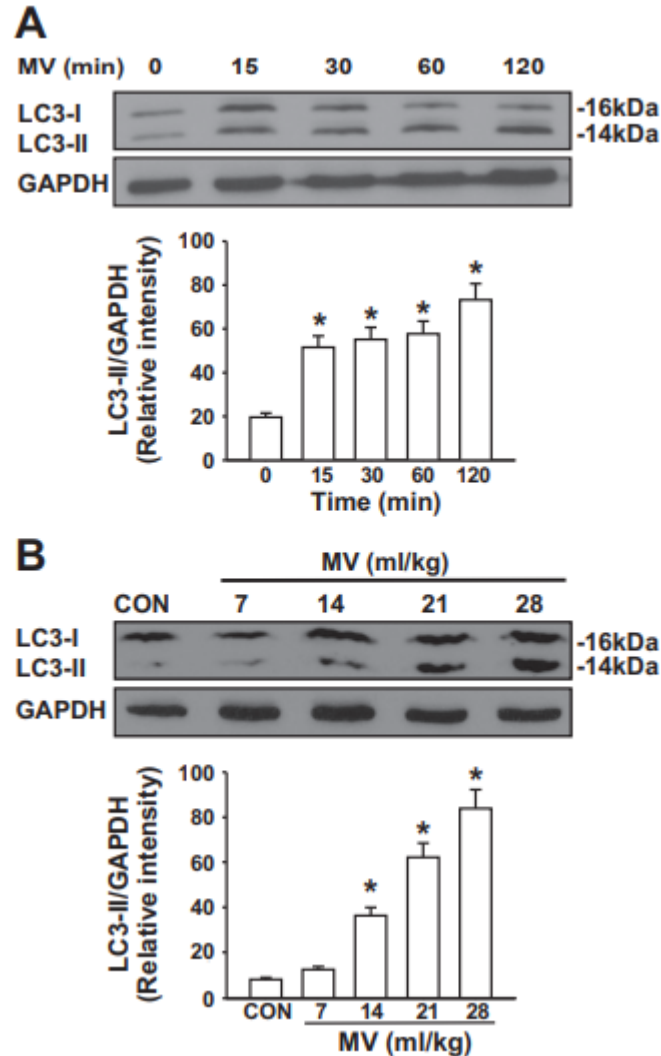
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Mechanical ventilation with a high tidal volume activates NLRP3 inflammasome in mouse lungs

Autophagy in pulmonary macrophages mediates lung inflammatory injury via NLRP3 inflammasome activation during mechanical ventilation

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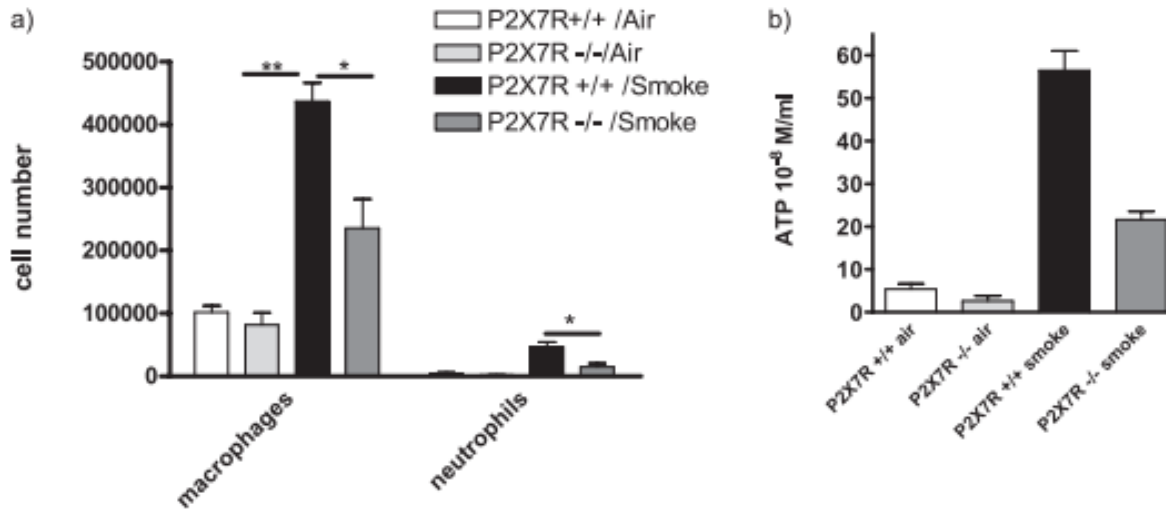


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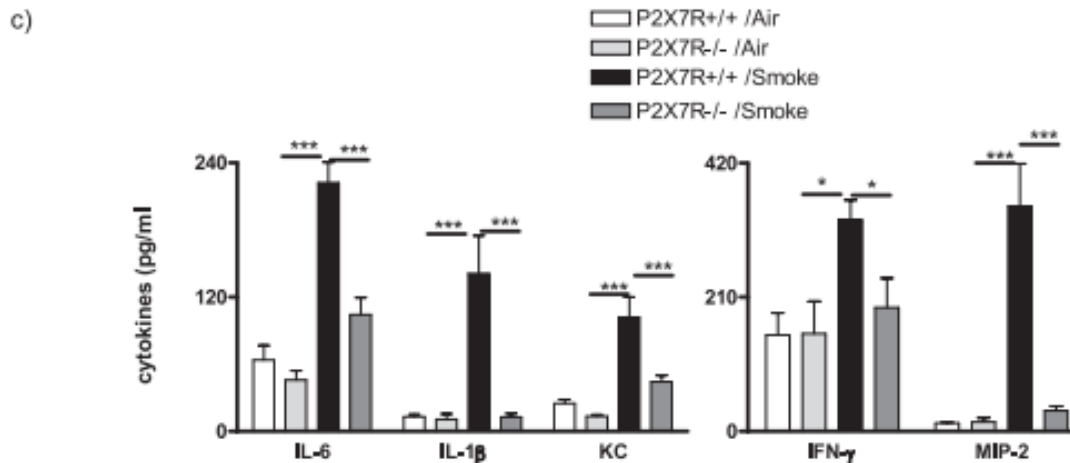
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P2X₇ Receptor Signaling in the Pathogenesis of Smoke-Induced Lung Inflammation and Emphysema

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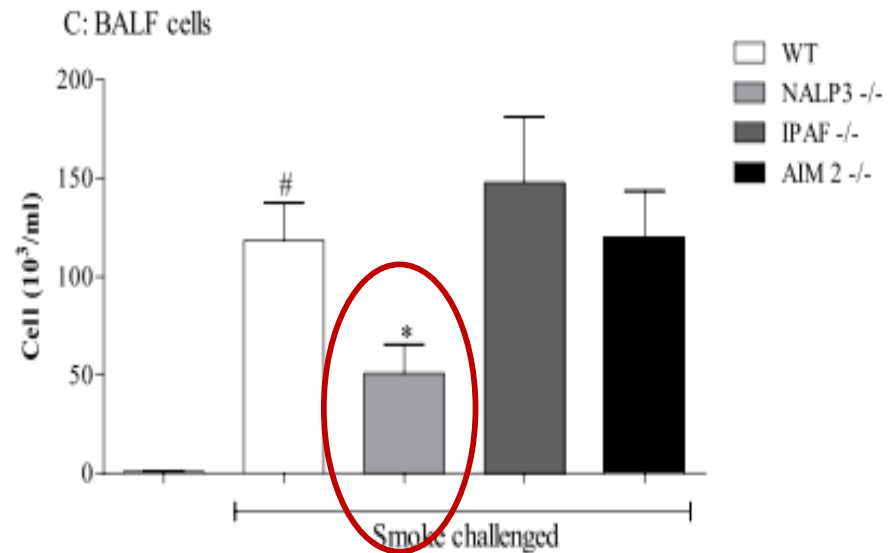
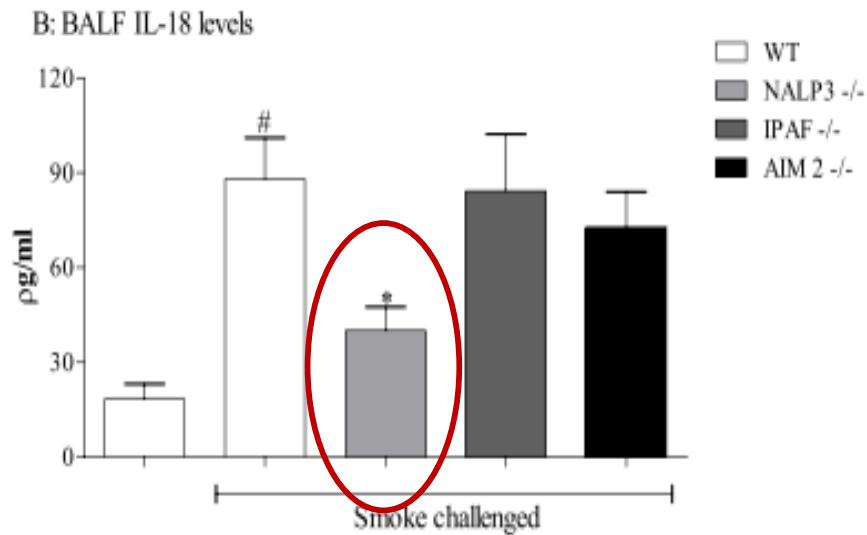


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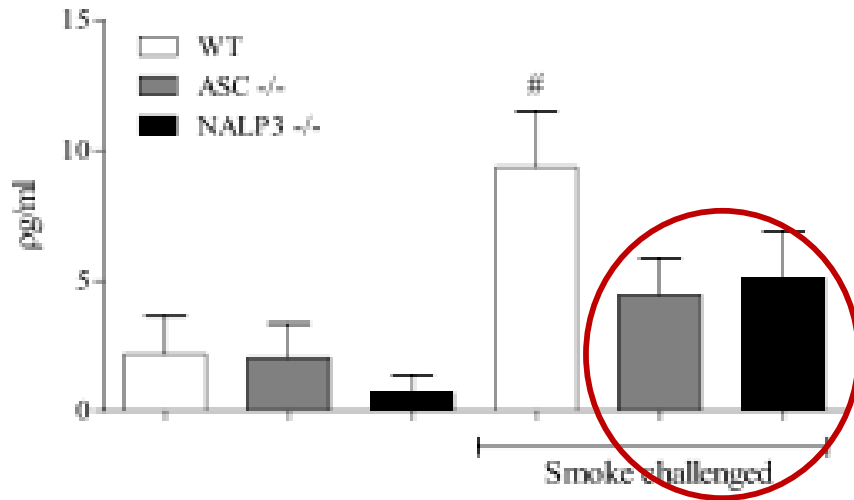


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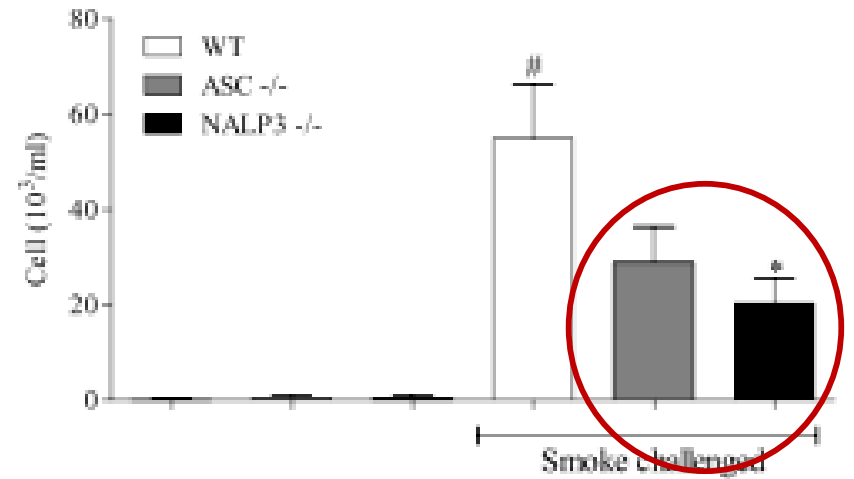
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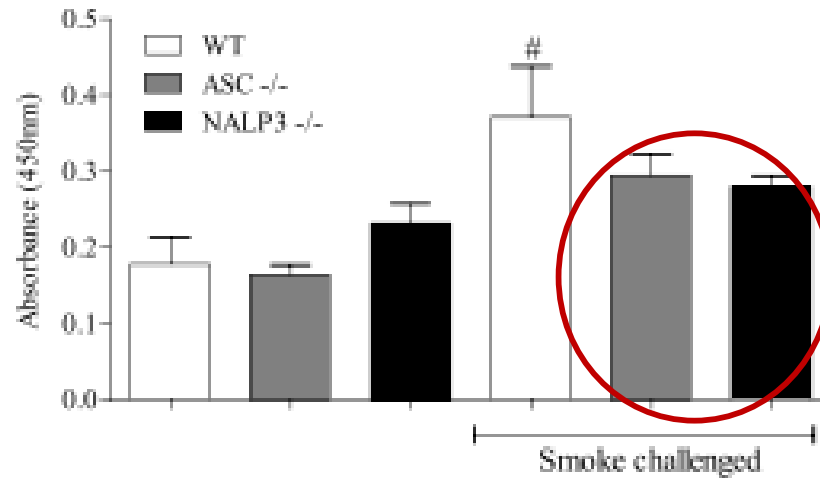
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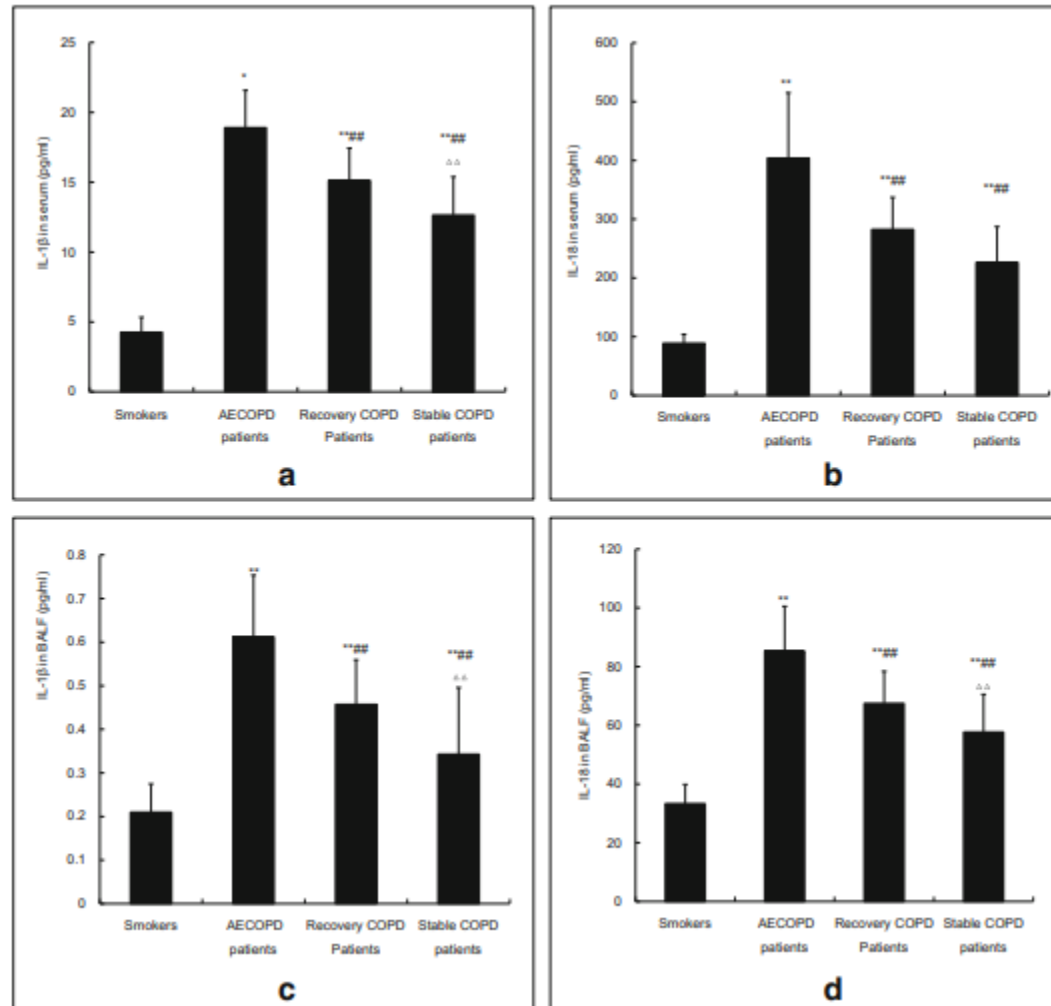


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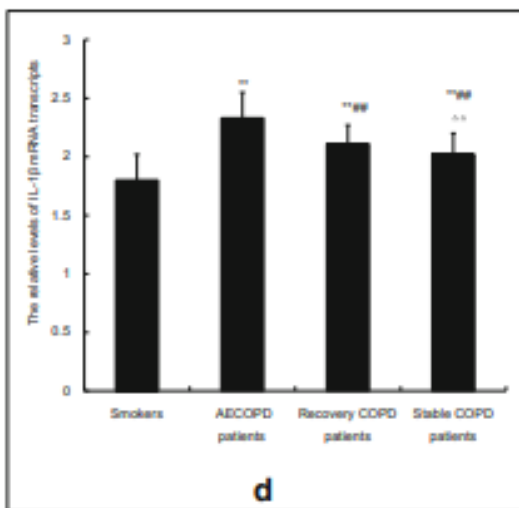
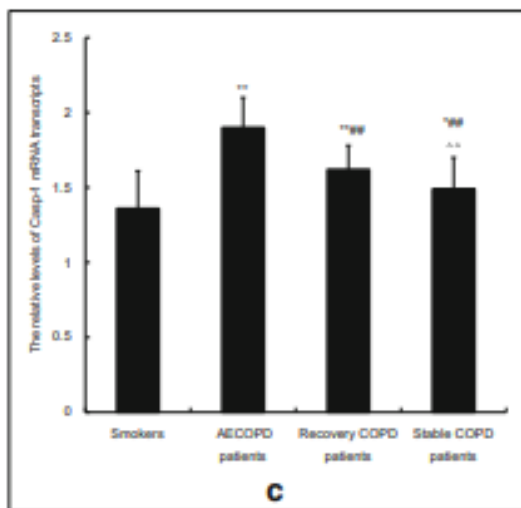
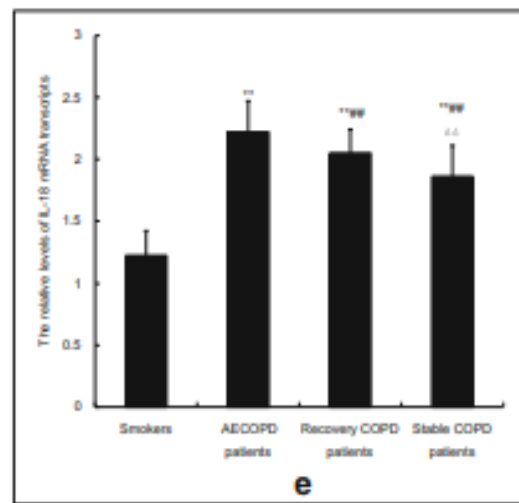
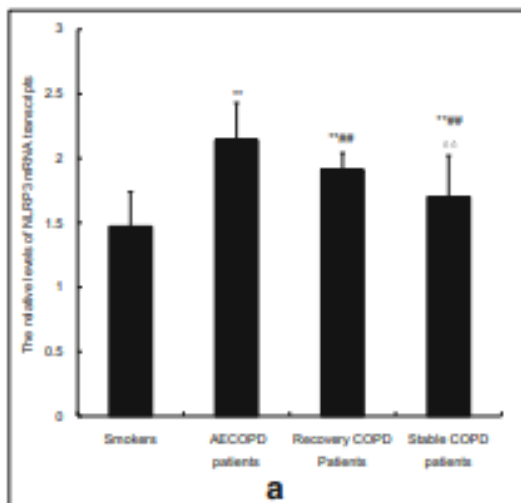


NLRP3 Inflammasome Involves in the Acute Exacerbation of Patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

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The relative mRNA levels of NLRP3 (a), ASC (b), Casp-1 (c), IL1 β (d), and IL-18 (e) to the internal control GAPDH, in bronchial tissues



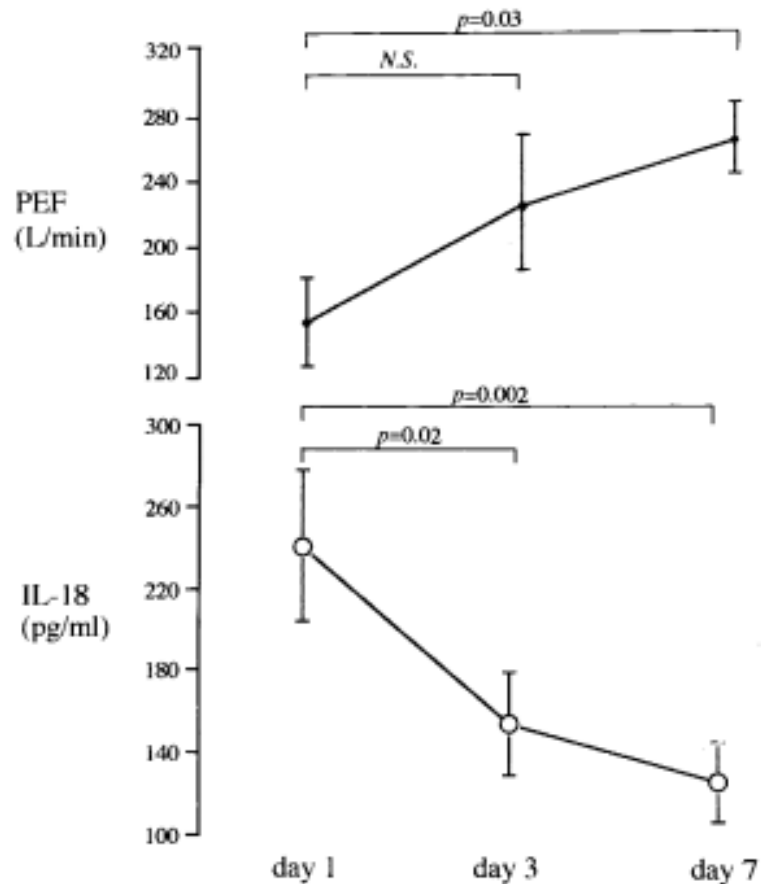
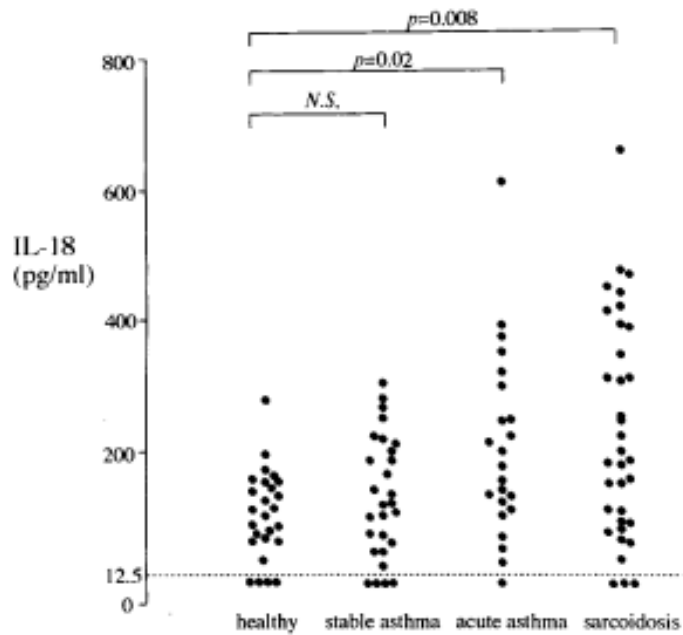
Correlation Analysis of NLRP3, ASC, Casp-1, IL-1 β , and IL-18 mRNA levels with the bacteria burden in the airways

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	<i>r</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>p</i>
NLRP3	0.299	0.001	0.438	<0.01	0.295	0.001	0.355	<0.01	0.563	<0.01	0.425	<0.01
ASC	0.352	<0.01	0.512	<0.01	0.331	<0.01	0.281	0.002	0.498	<0.01	0.350	<0.01
Casp-1	0.248	0.006	0.456	<0.01	0.213	0.020	0.330	<0.01	0.462	<0.01	0.364	<0.01
IL-1 β	0.316	<0.01	0.335	<0.01	0.270	0.003	0.375	<0.01	0.530	<0.01	0.416	<0.01
IL-18	0.584	<0.01	0.549	<v0.01	0.468	<0.01	0.568	<0.01	0.642	<0.01	0.599	<0.01

Asthma

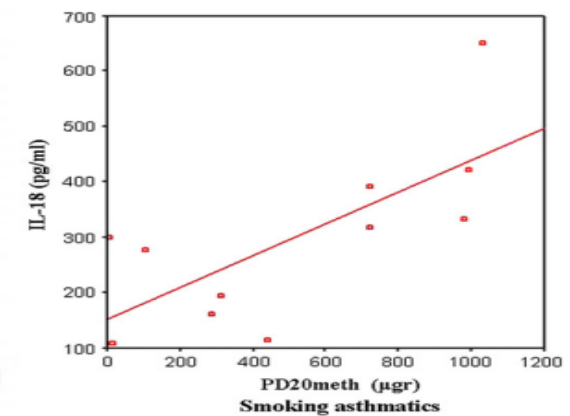
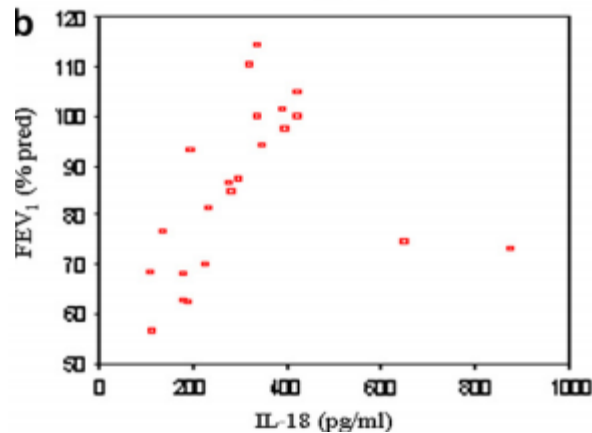
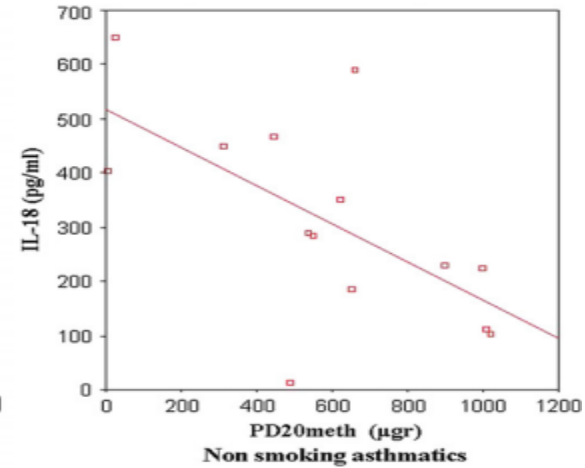
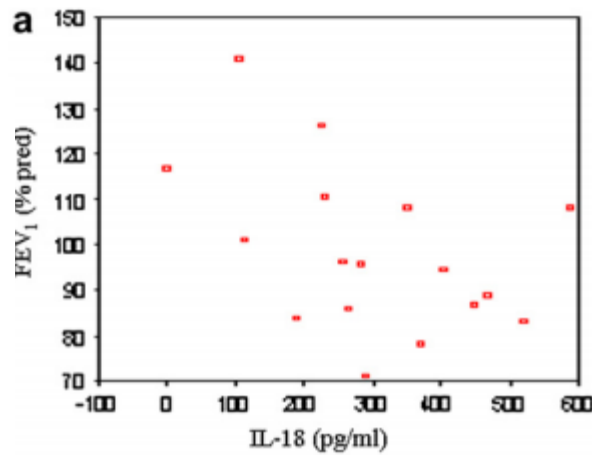
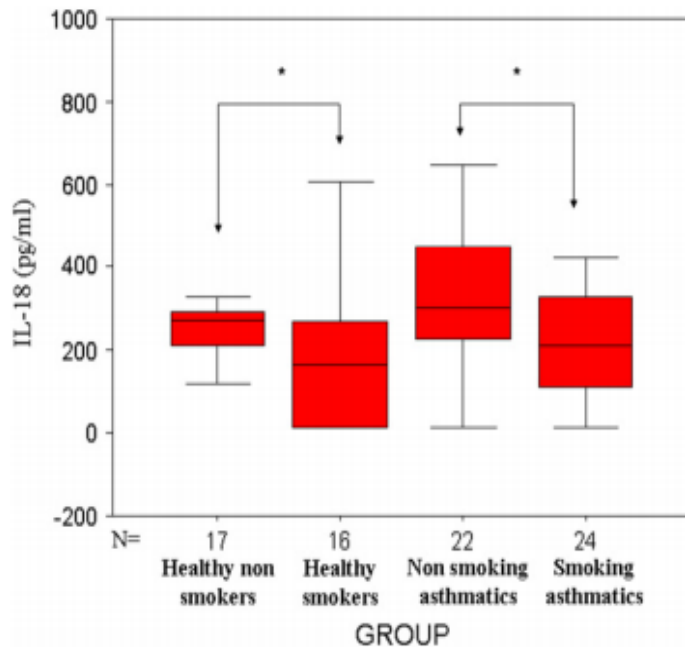
IL-18 might reflect disease activity in mild and moderate asthma exacerbation

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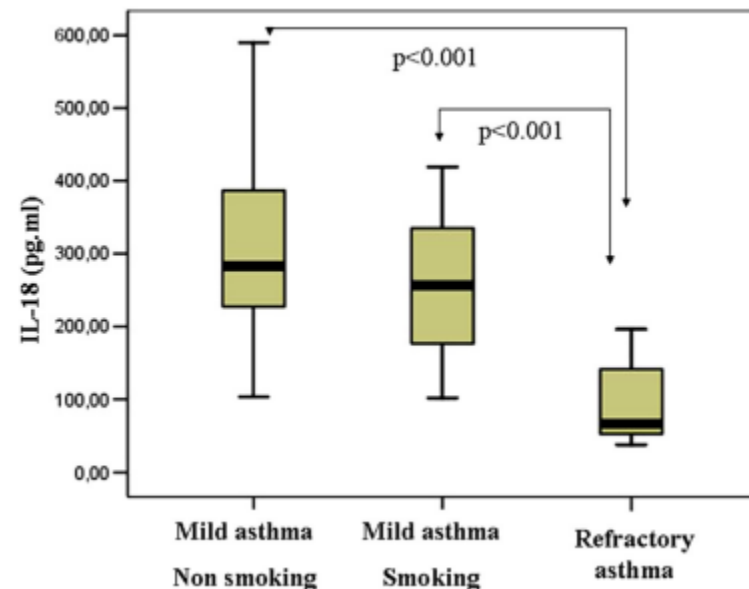
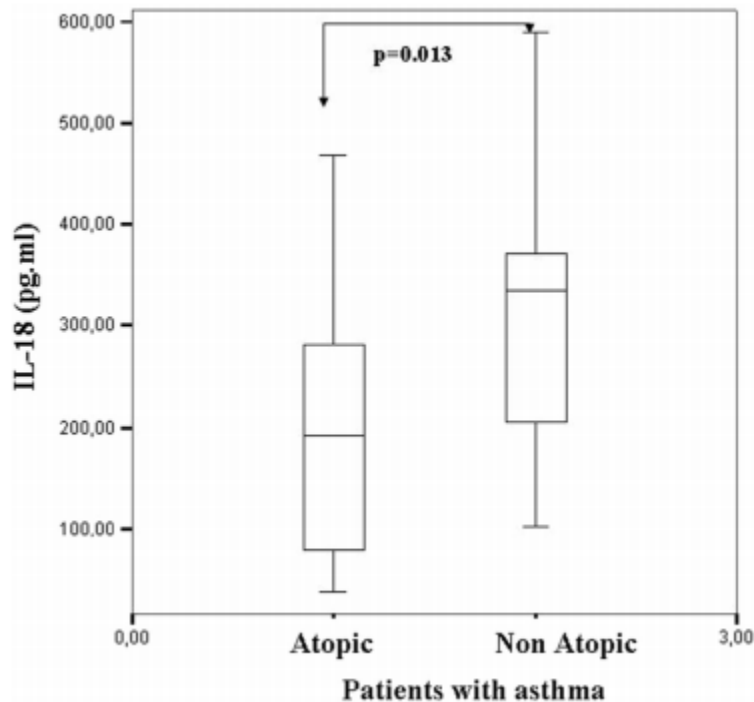
IL-18 in induced sputum and airway hyperresponsiveness in mild asthmatics: Effect of smoking

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Low interleukin (IL)-18 levels in sputum supernatants of patients with severe refractory asthma

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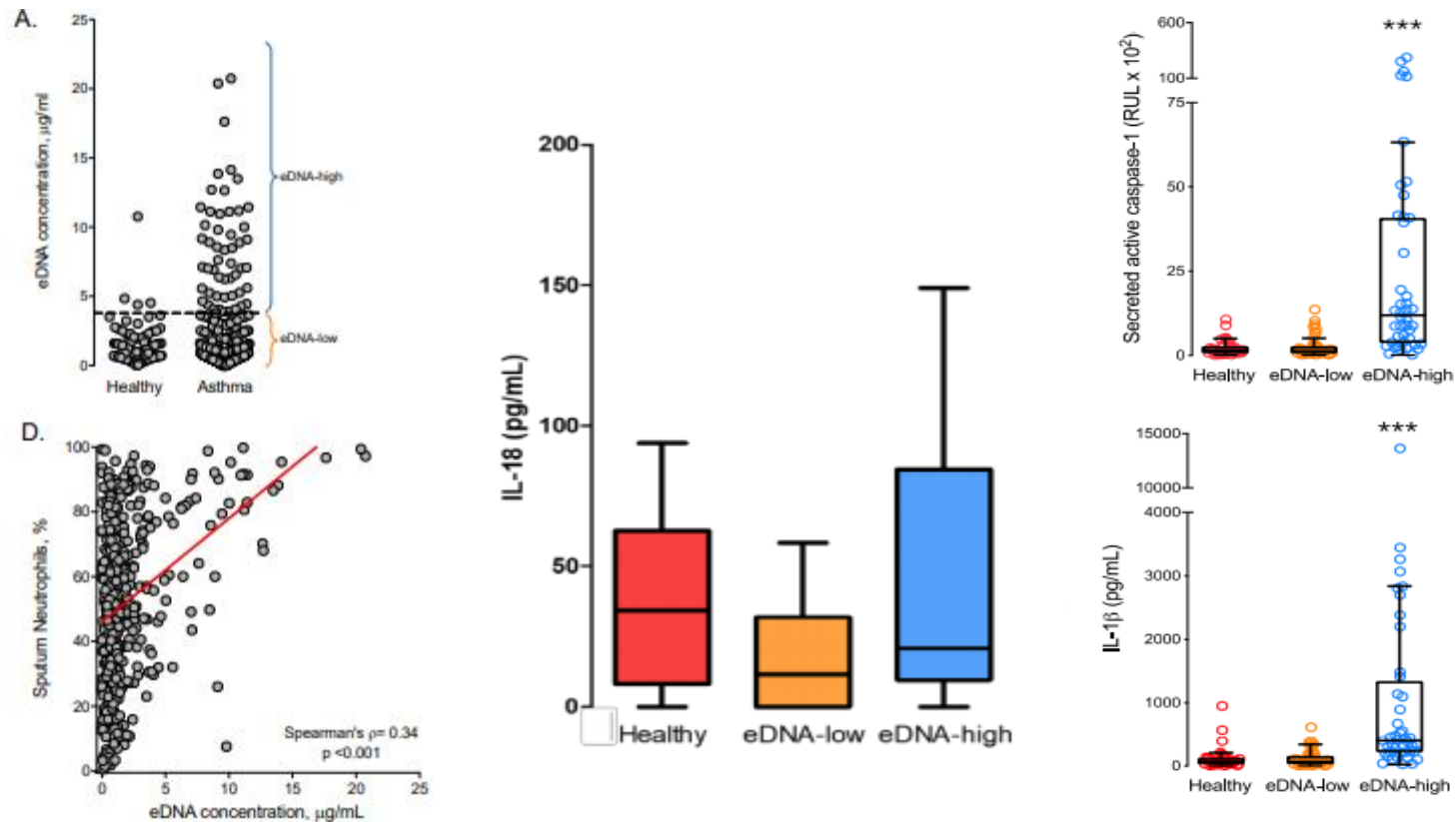
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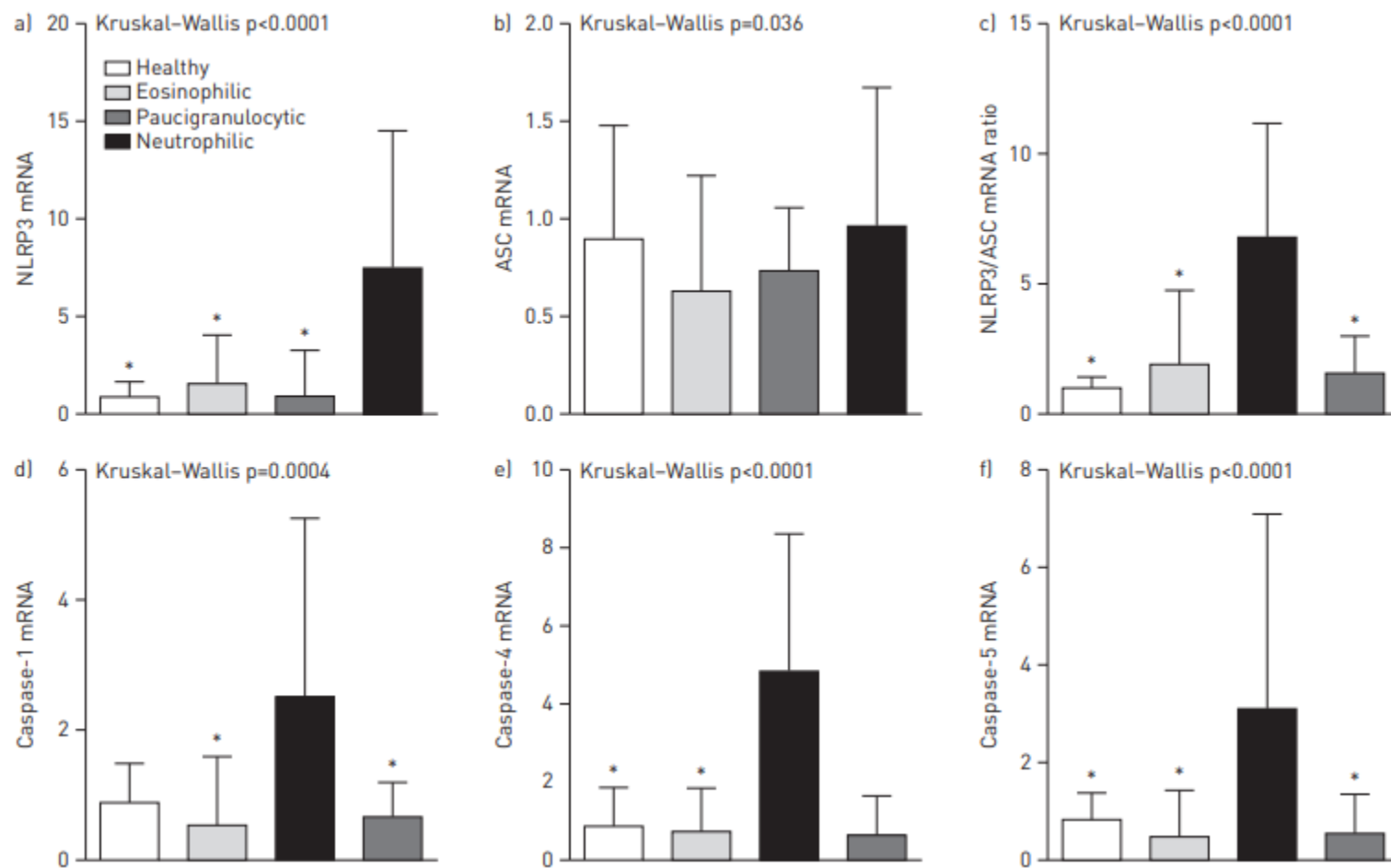
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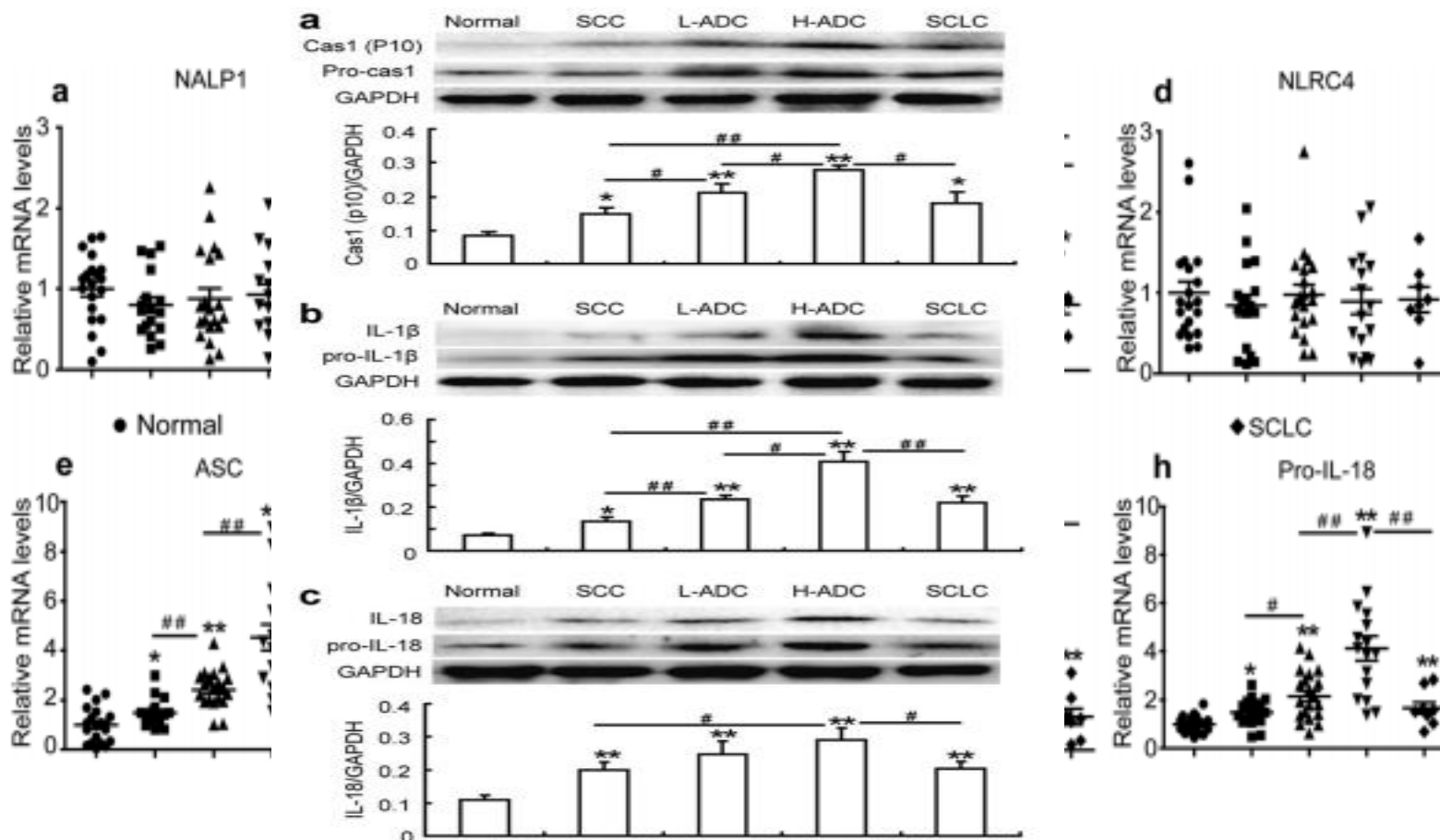
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Lung cancer

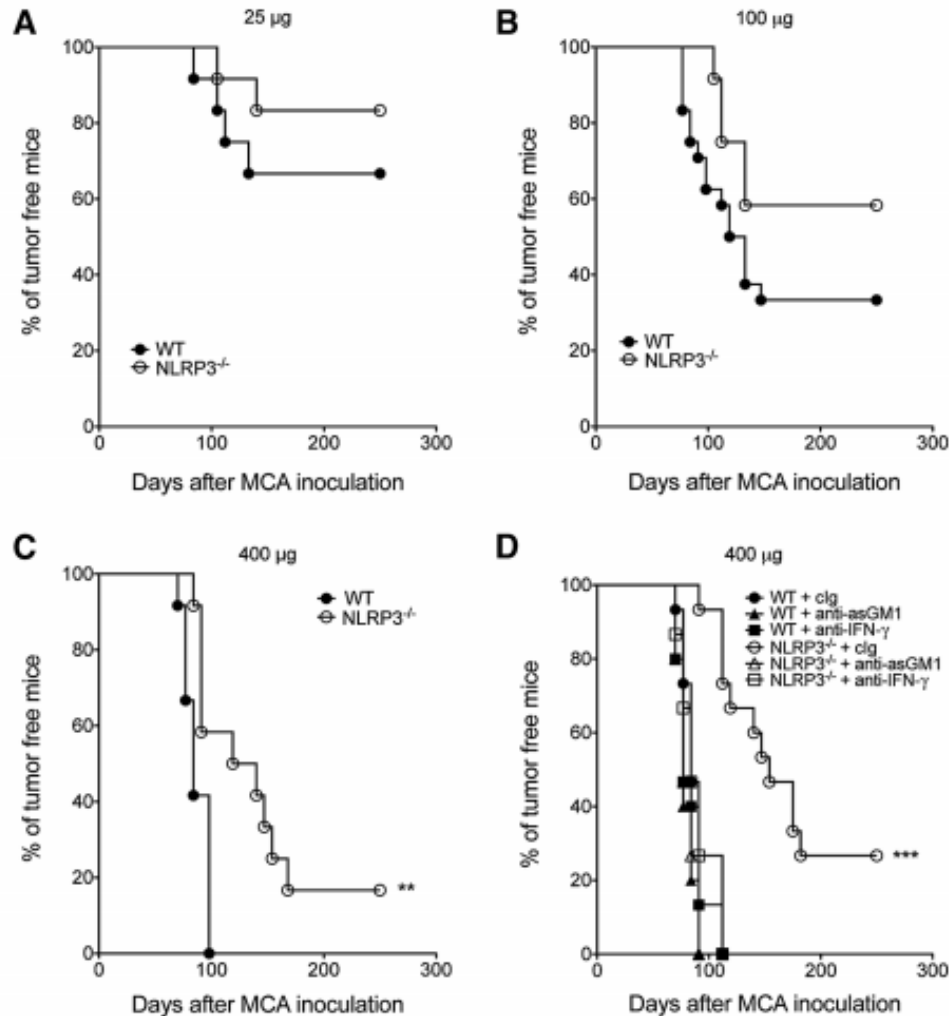
Differential expression of inflammasomes in lung cancer cell lines and tissues

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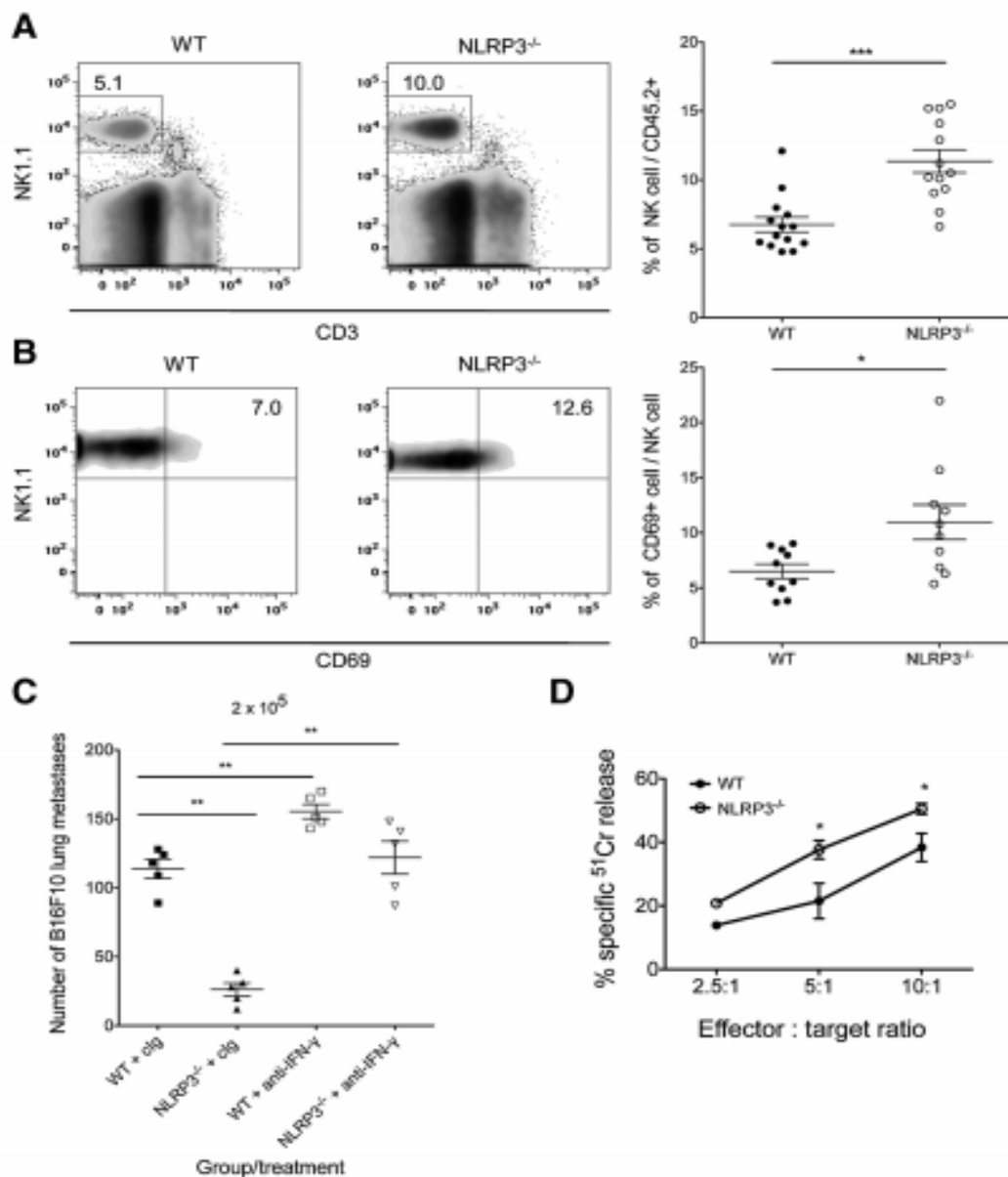


NLRP3 Suppresses NK Cell-Mediated Responses to Carcinogen-Induced Tumors and Metastases

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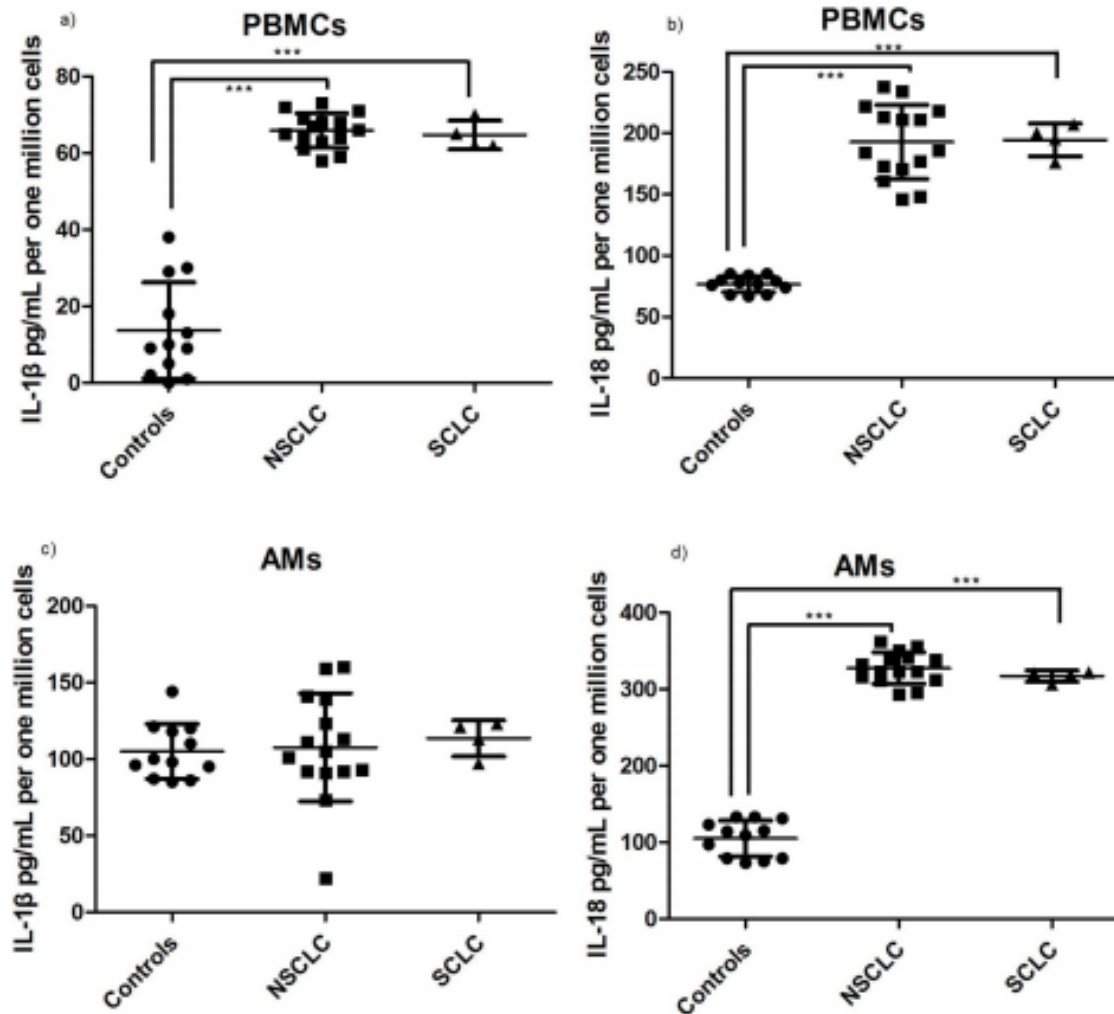


Greater NK cell frequency and activity in the B16F10-bearing lungs of NLRP3^{-/-} mice



NLRP3/Caspase-1 inflammasome activation is decreased in alveolar macrophages in patients with lung cancer

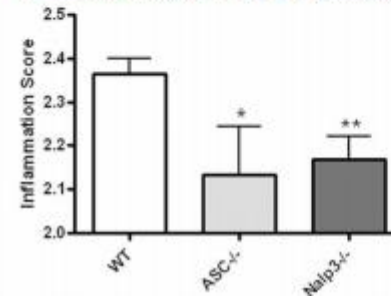
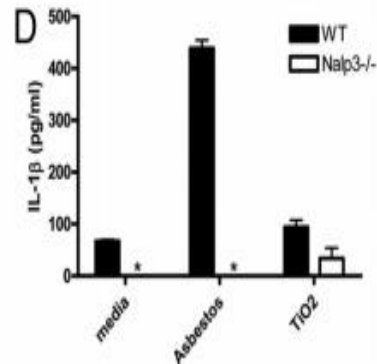
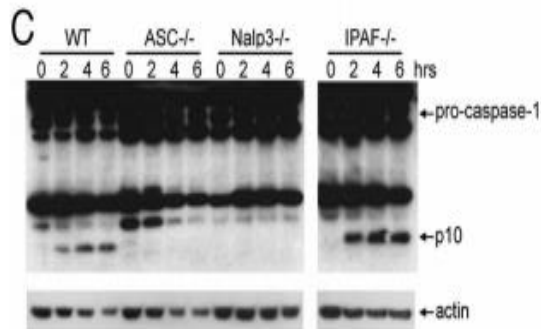
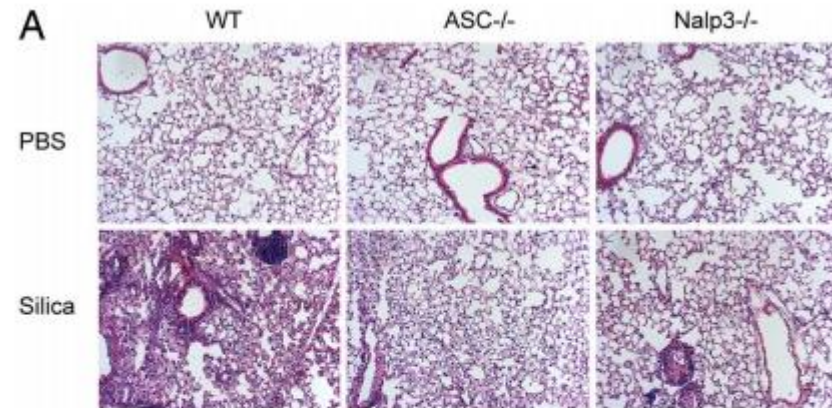
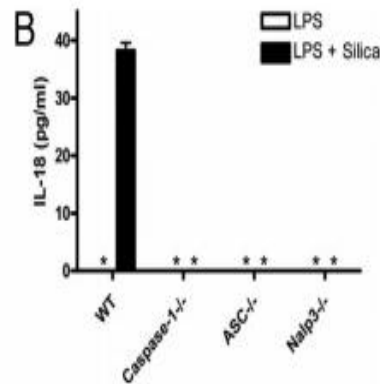
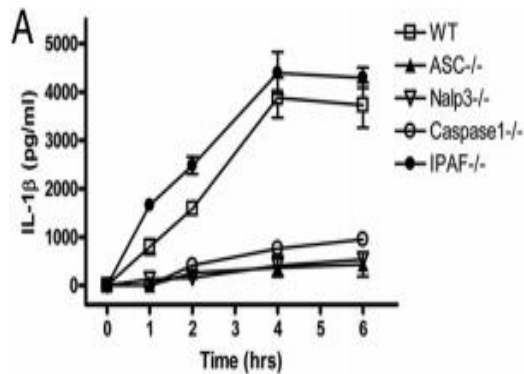
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Pulmonary fibrosis

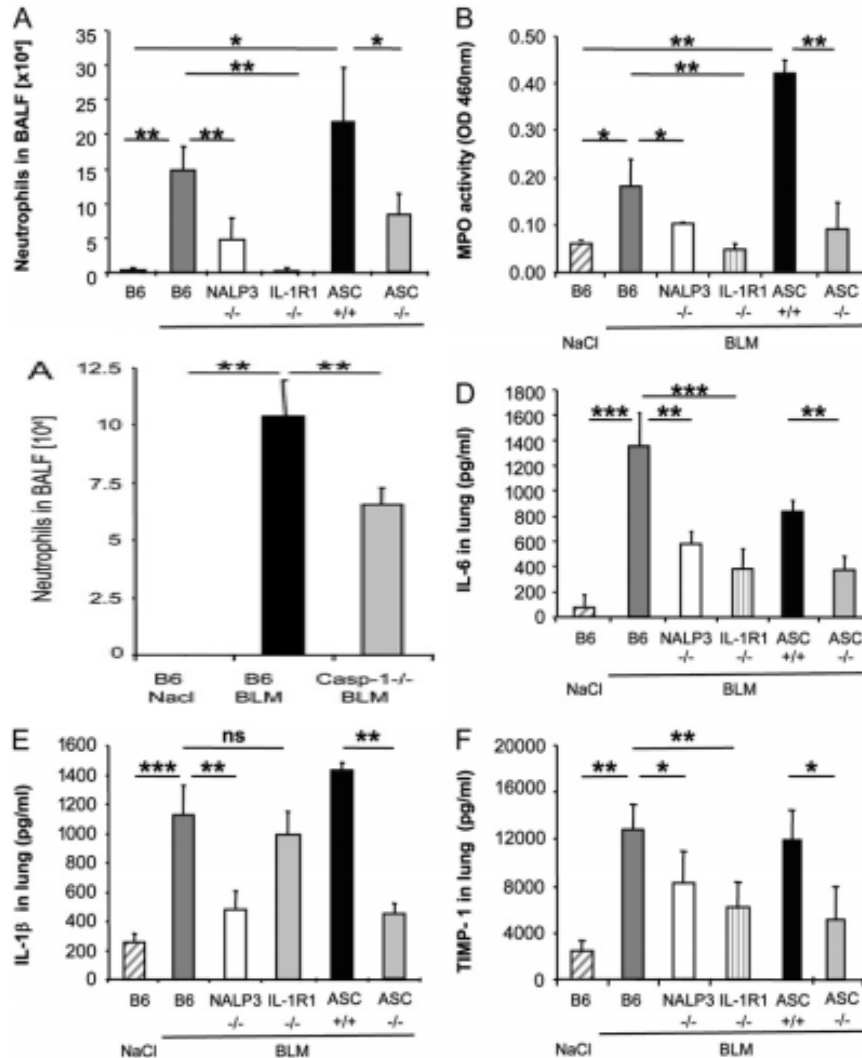
The Nalp3 inflammasome is essential for the development of silicosis

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Uric Acid Is a Danger Signal Activating NALP3 Inflammasome in Lung Injury Inflammation and Fibrosis

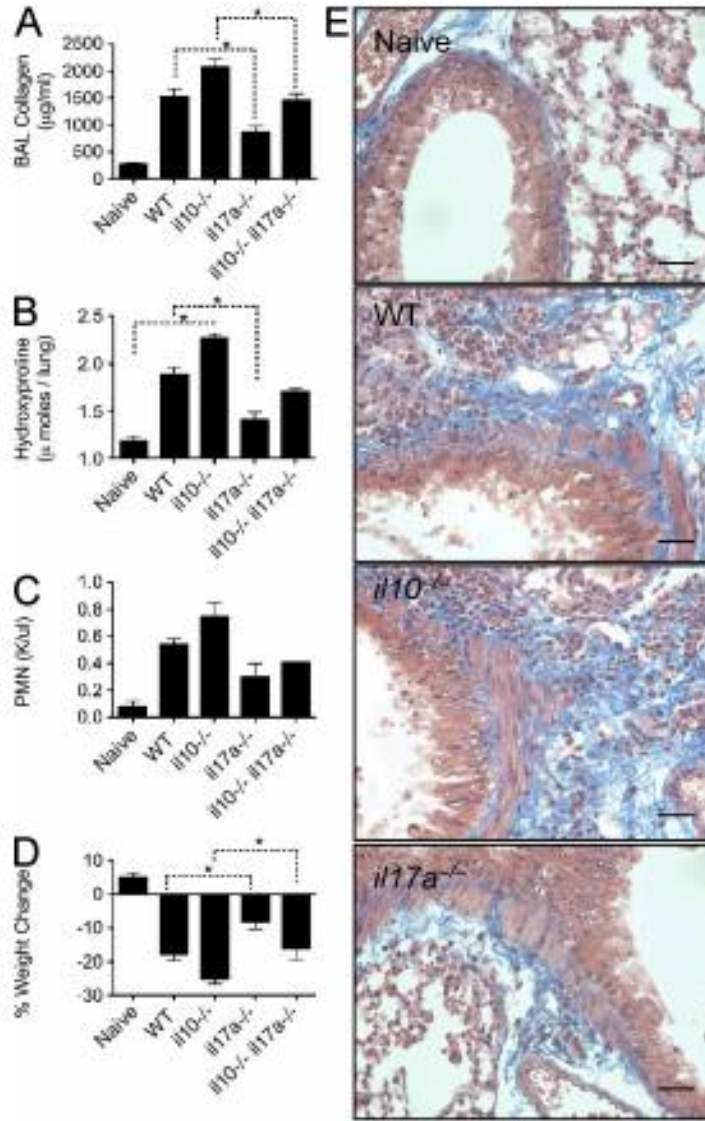
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Bleomycin (BLM)-induced pulmonary inflammation and remodeling are dependent on NALP3, caspase-1, and ASC proteins

Bleomycin and IL-1 β -mediated pulmonary fibrosis is IL-17A dependent

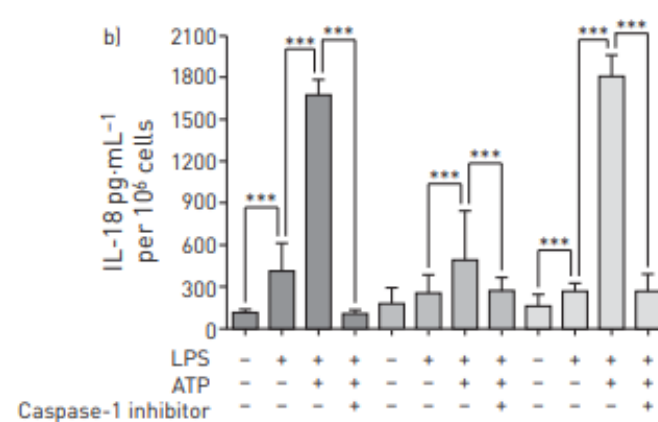
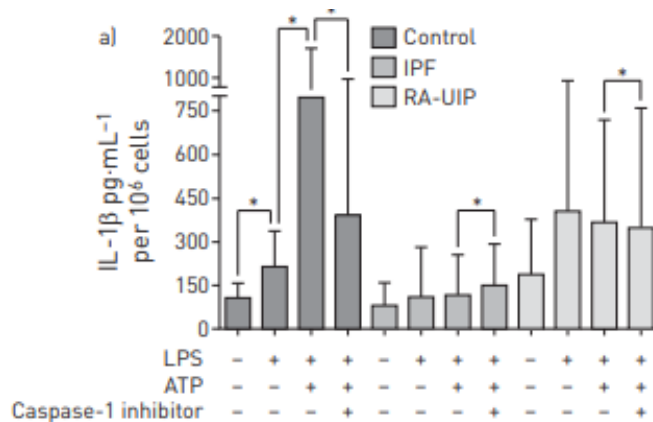
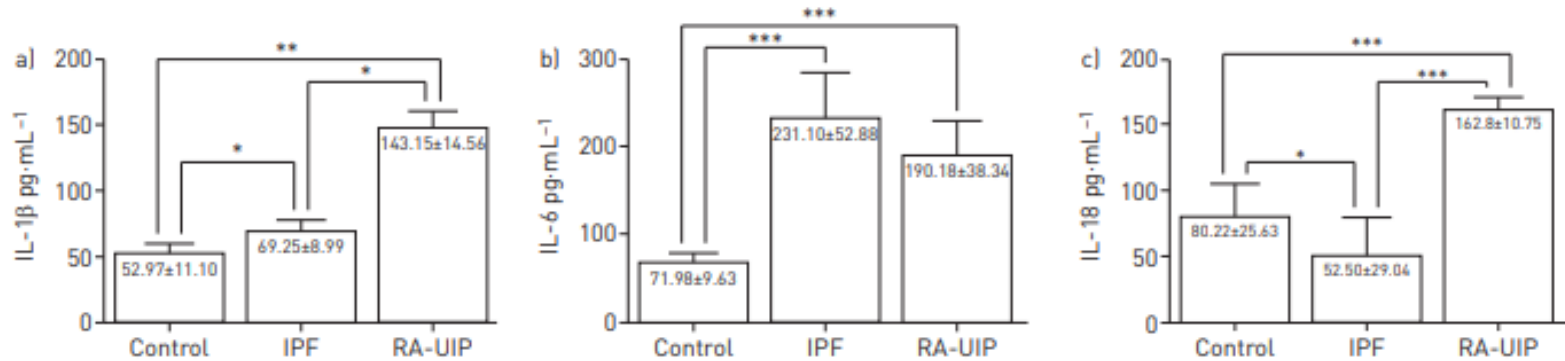
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NLRP3 inflammasome expression in idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and rheumatoid lung

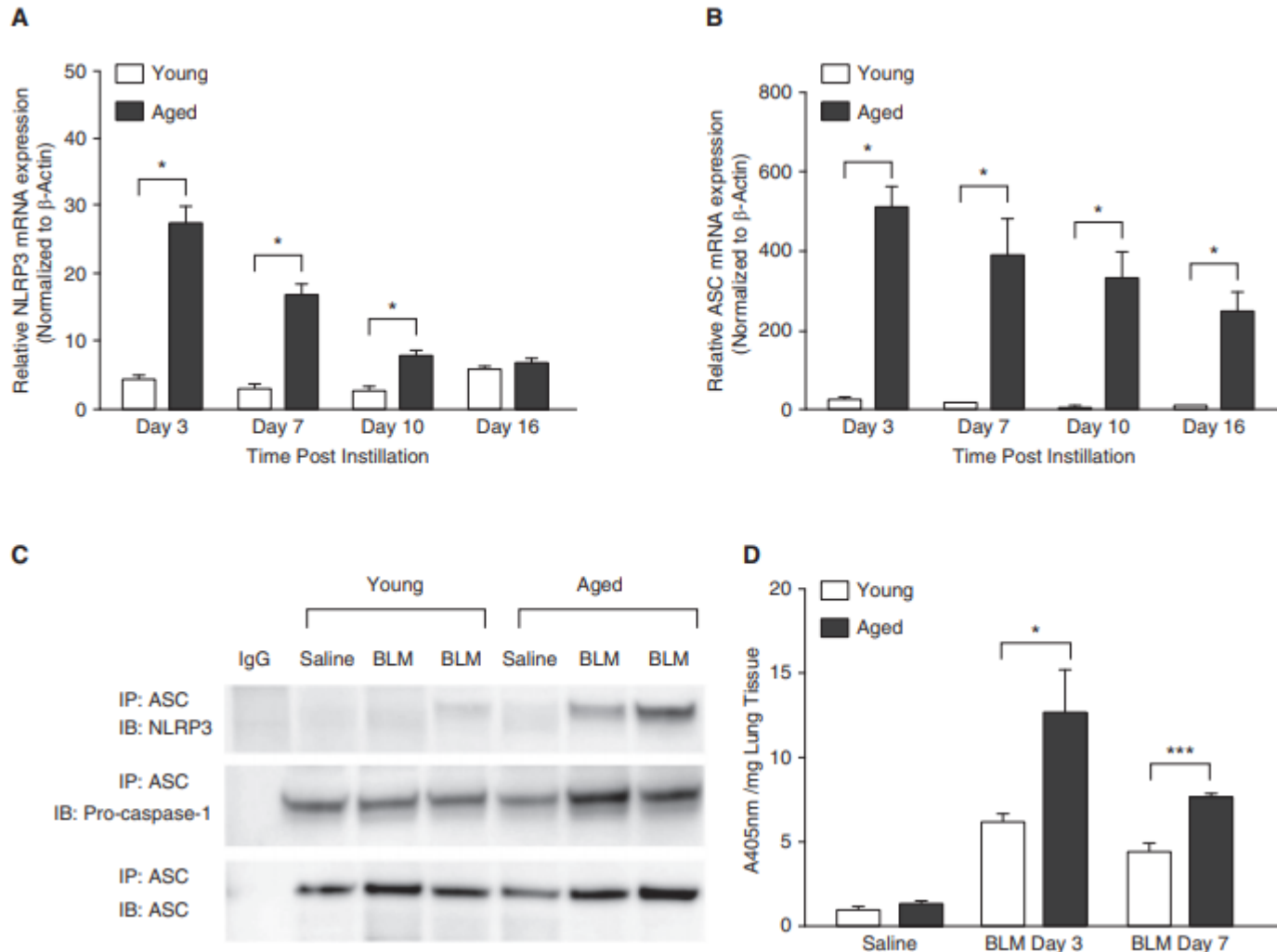
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Age-Dependent Susceptibility to Pulmonary Fibrosis Is Associated with NLRP3 Inflammasome Activation

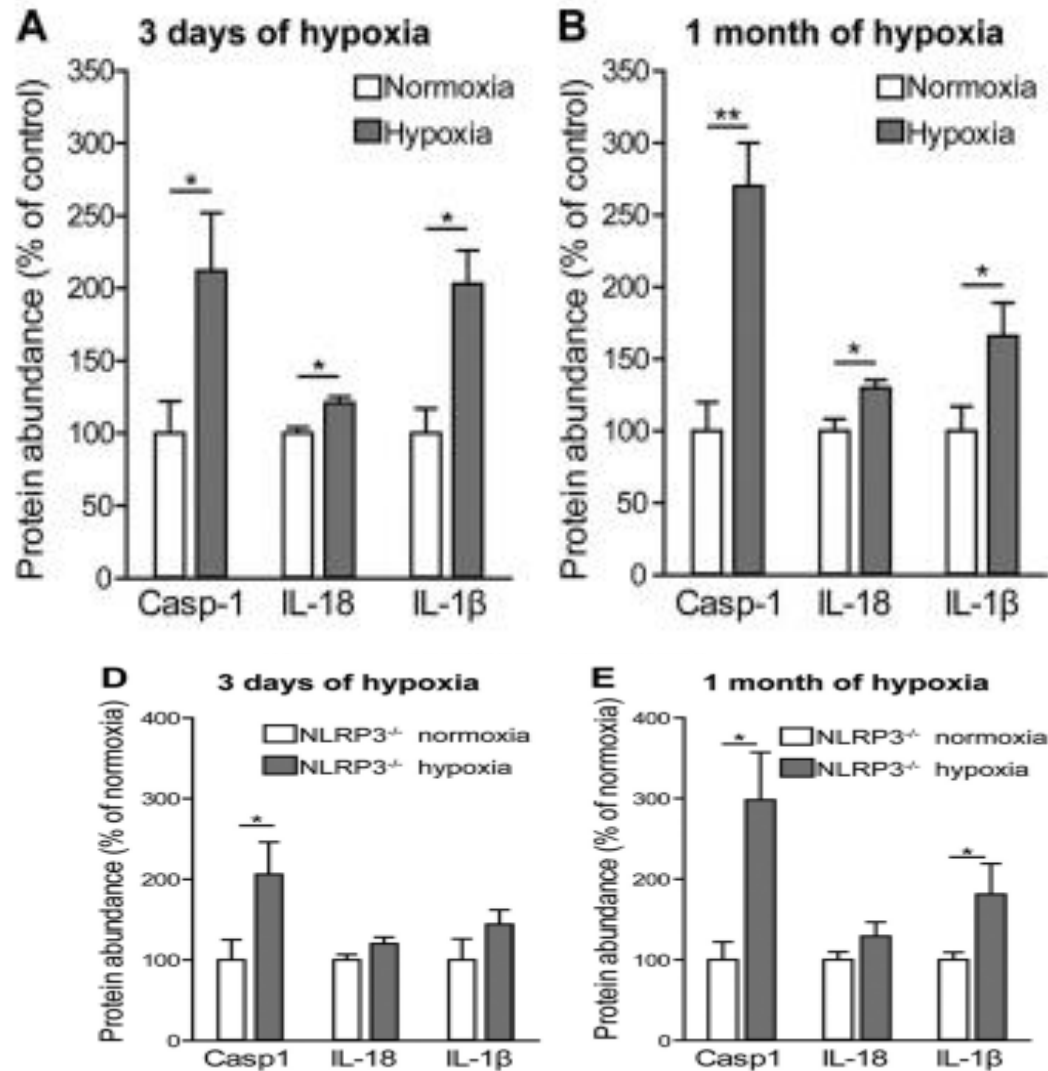
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Pulmonary hypertension

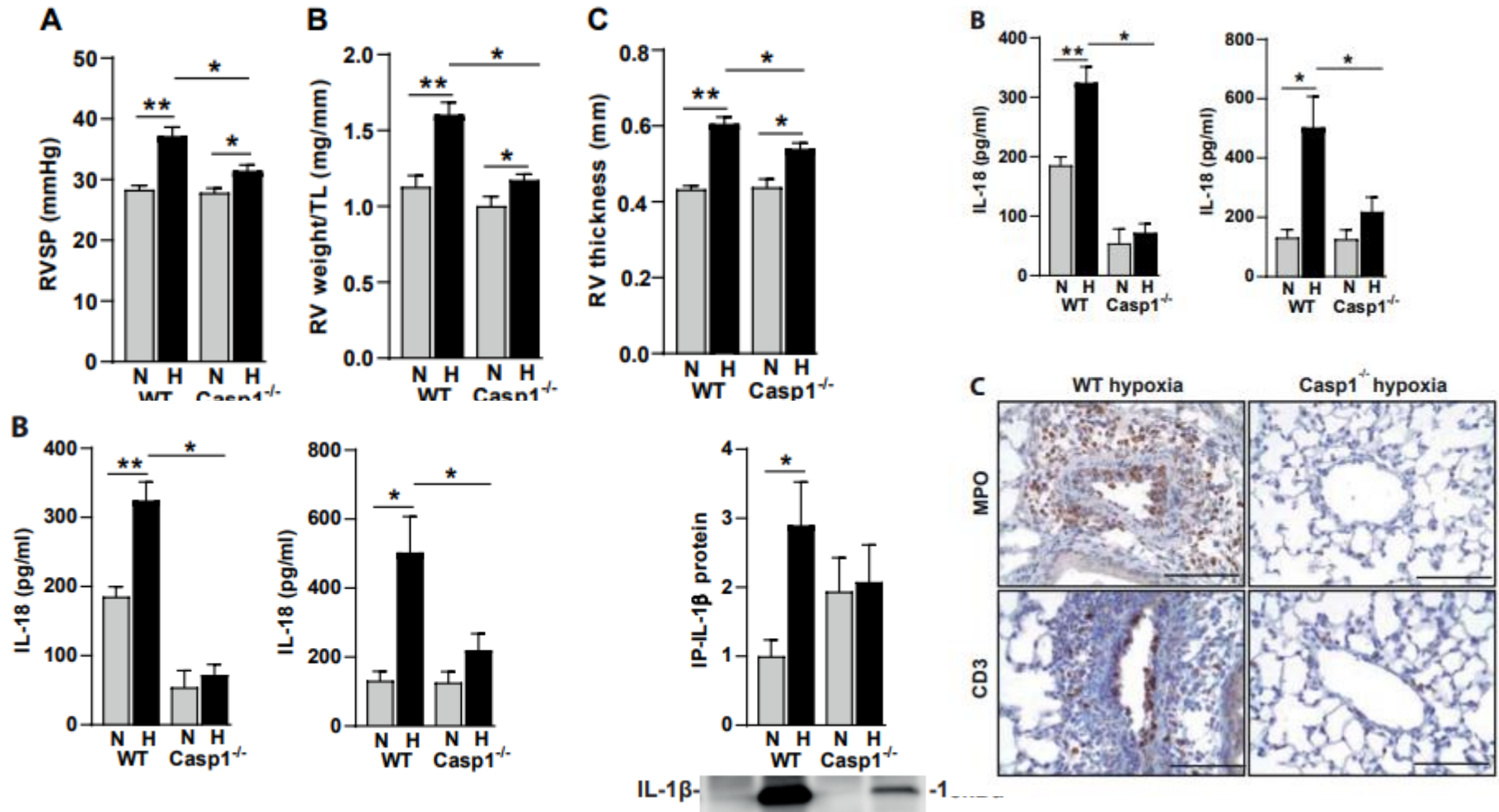
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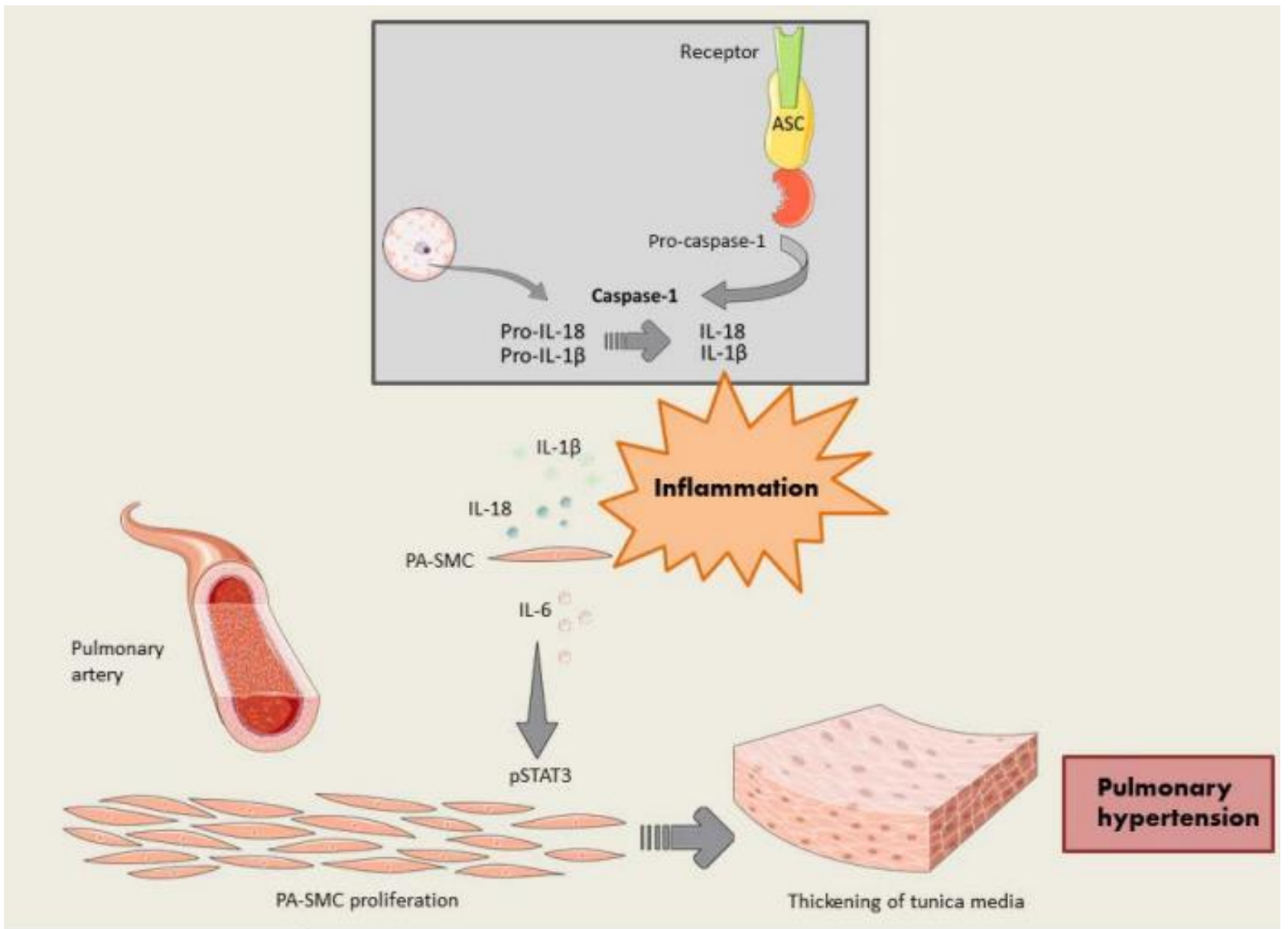
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Caspase-1 induces smooth muscle cell growth in hypoxia-induced pulmonary hypertension

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Conclusion

- PRRs constitute an integral component of the immune system of the lung and are necessary for inflammatory processes involved in defense against invading pathogens and for restoration of tissue homeostasis
- Acutely, activation of NLRP3 is important for the clearance of viral and bacterial lung infections
- However, sustained activation of NLRP3 after inhalation of irritants can lead to more chronic and deleterious inflammatory effects in the lung
- The partially redundant and complementary roles of inflammasome effector molecules in lung pathologies also warrant the search for novel therapeutics that directly target the NLRP3 inflammasome or mechanisms that control its activation

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