



The inflammasome of activated human B-cells regulates IL-1 β and IgM: A crosstalk between the innate and the adaptive immune response

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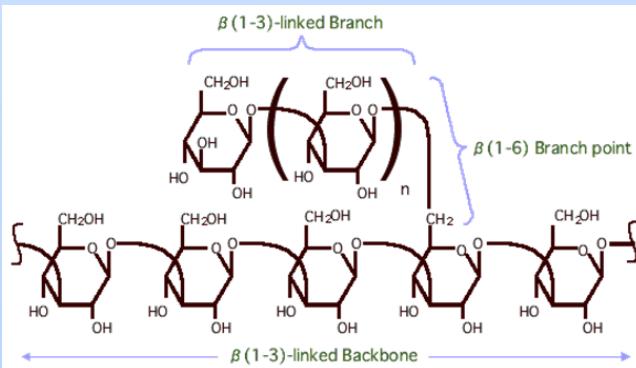
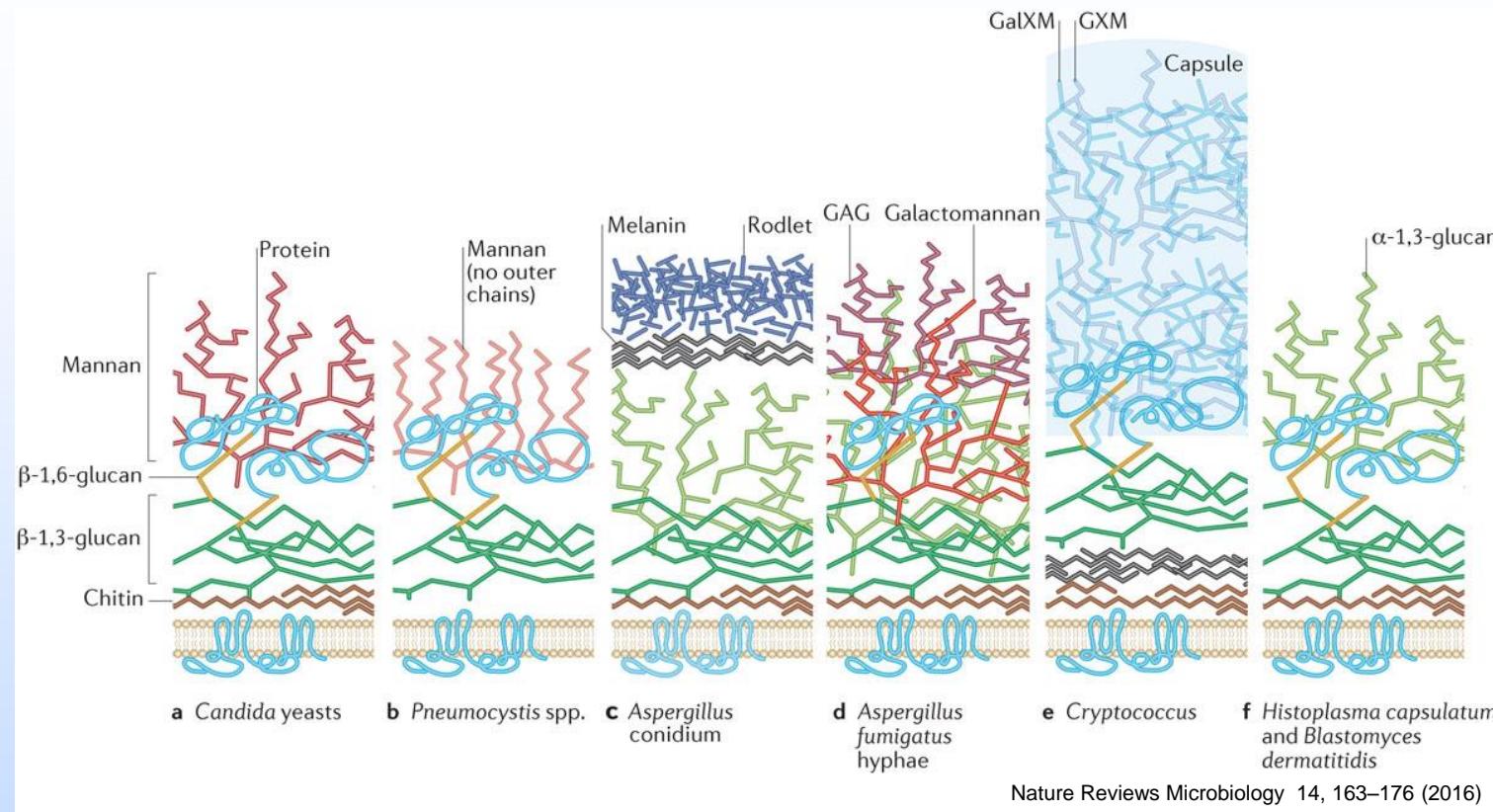


The less well-known function of B cells

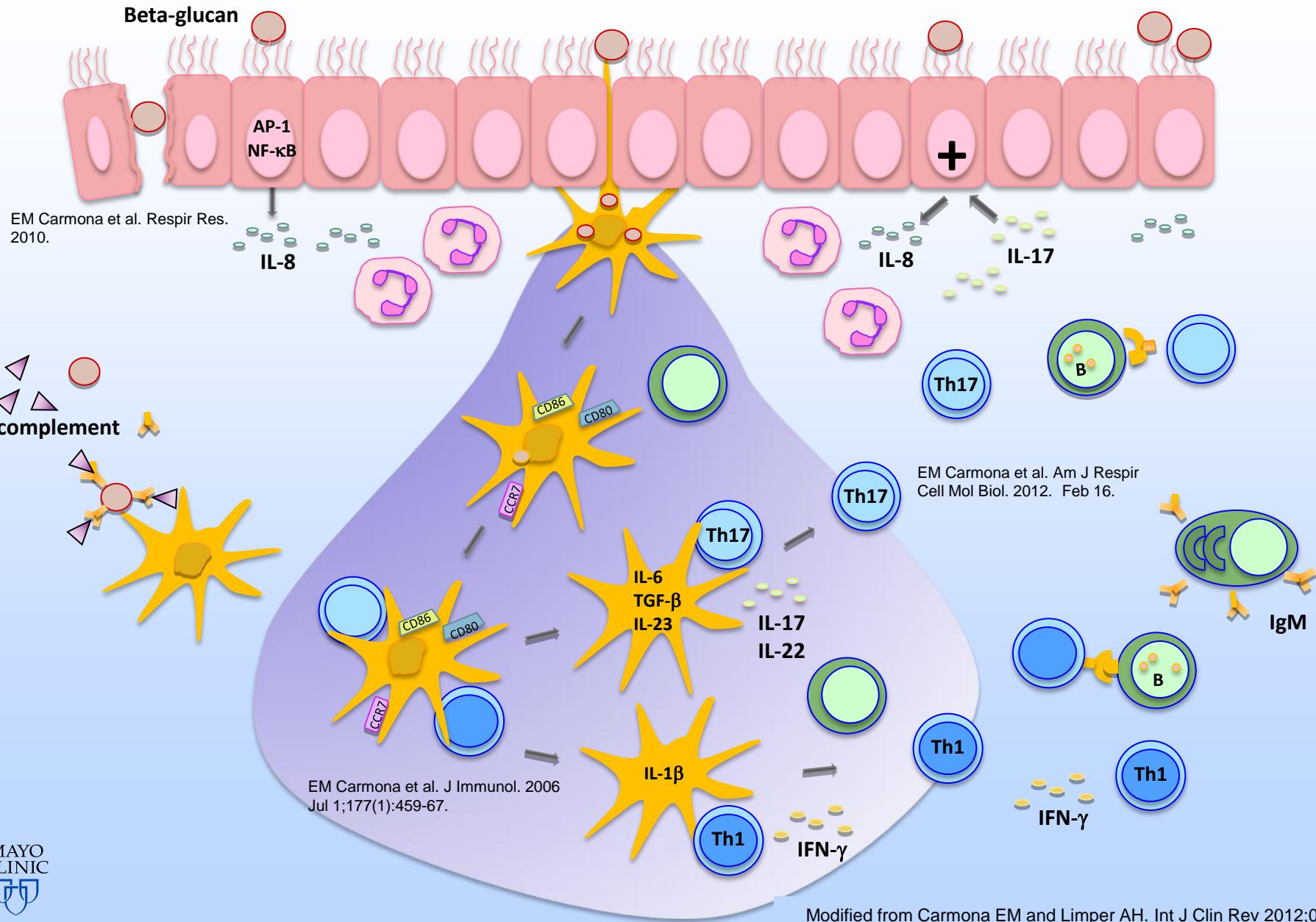
- Activated B-lymphocytes secrete cytokines that participate in cellular innate host response
 - TNF α , Lymphotoxin β , IL-10
 - IL-8
- These cytokines play also a role in autoimmune diseases
- Acute exacerbations of many autoinflammatory diseases are preceded by infectious illness

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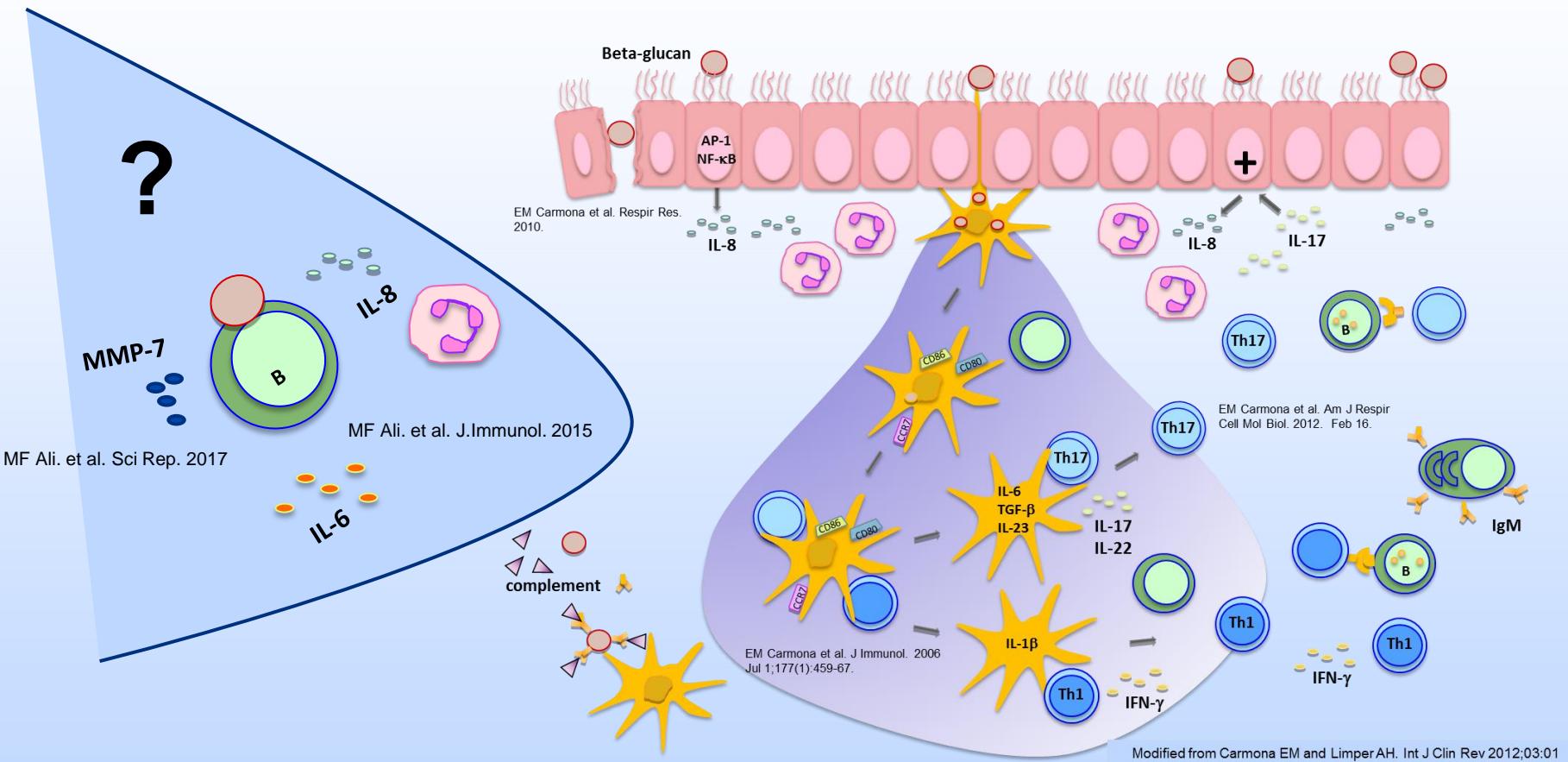
Fungal β -glucans and immune activation



β -Glucans are potent immunomodulators



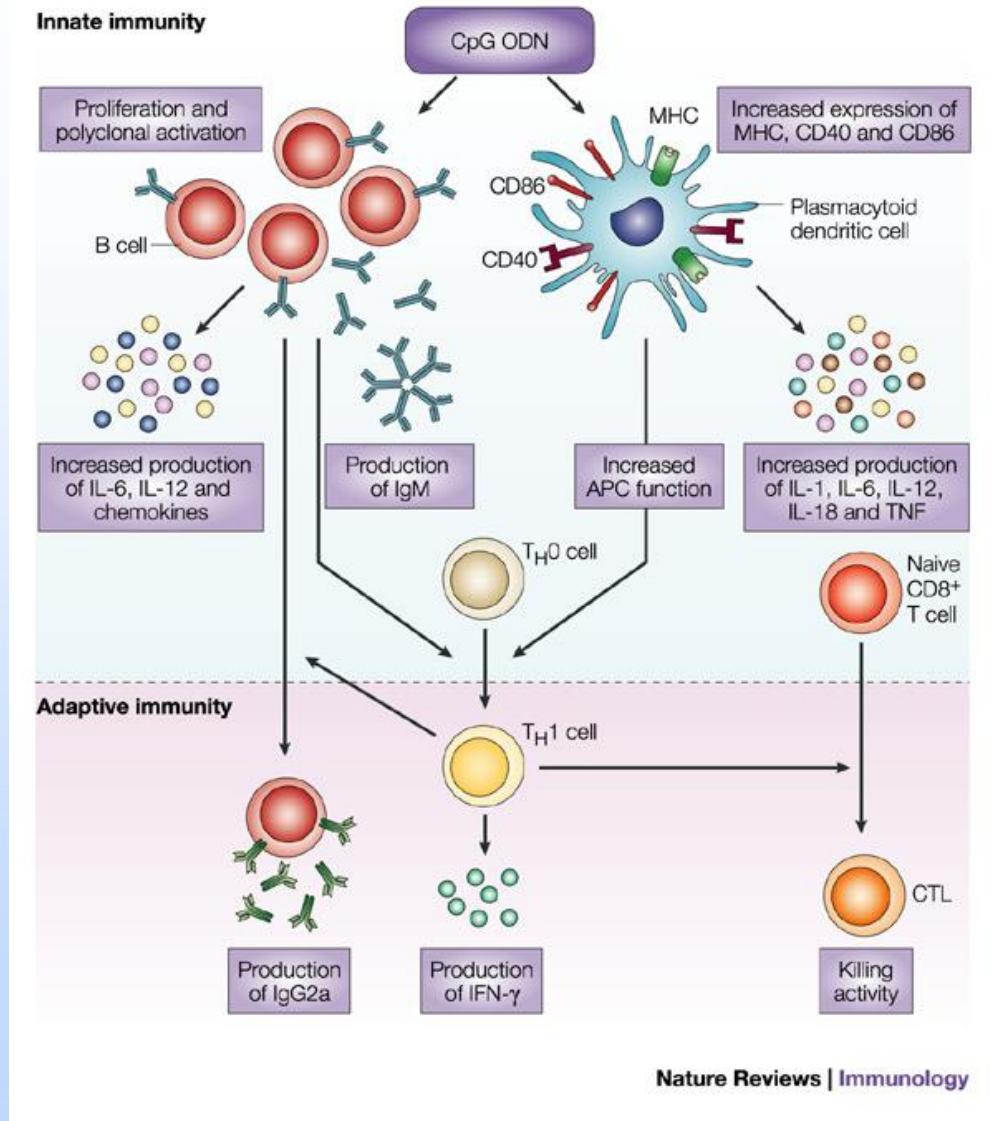
B-cells responses to fungal β -glucans



CpG

Bacterial DNA has unmethylated CpG motifs that are released during infection and recognized by PRR (TLR9)

Synthetic oligodeoxynucleotides (ODN) contain CpG motifs similar to those found in bacteria.



IL-1 β

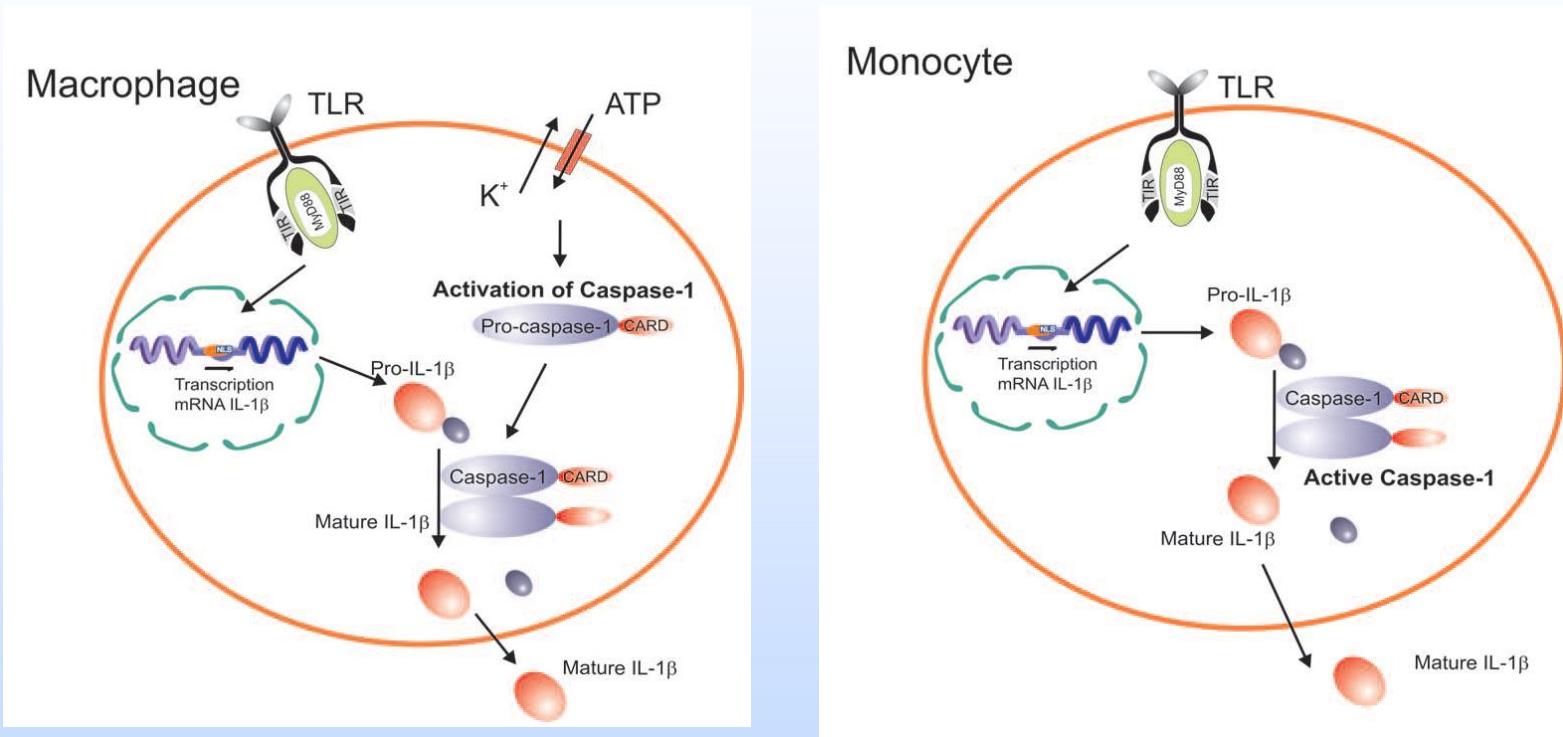
- IL-1 β is essential in the clearance of fungal and bacterial infections
- Increase levels can also be found in several autoimmune diseases
- IL-1 β and IL-18 are secreted as inactive precursors

Cleaved by the
inflammasome

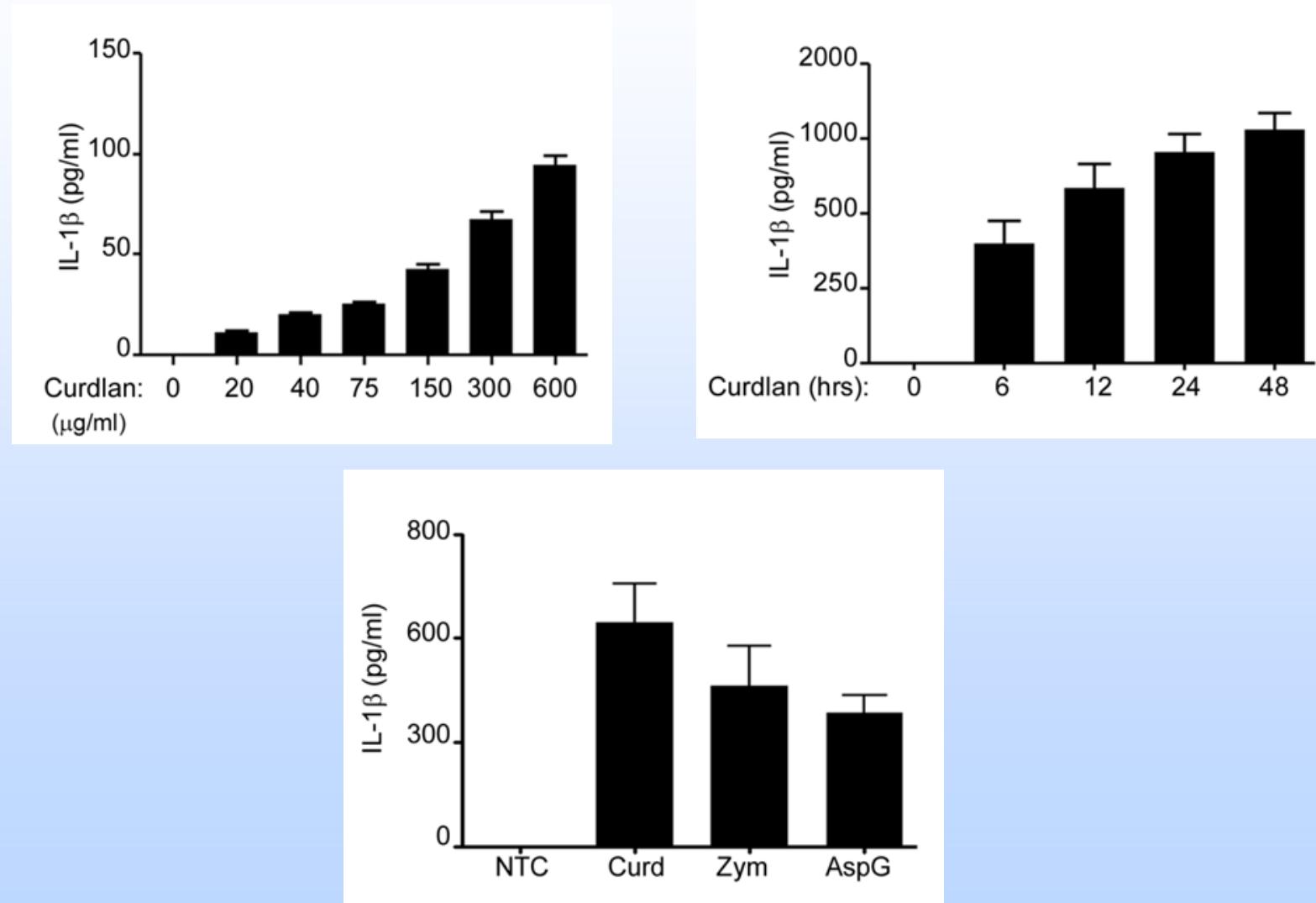
Pre-IL1 β

IL1 β

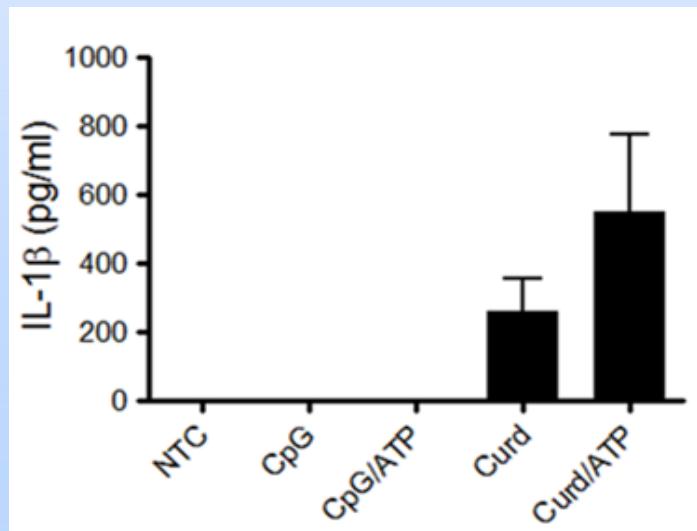
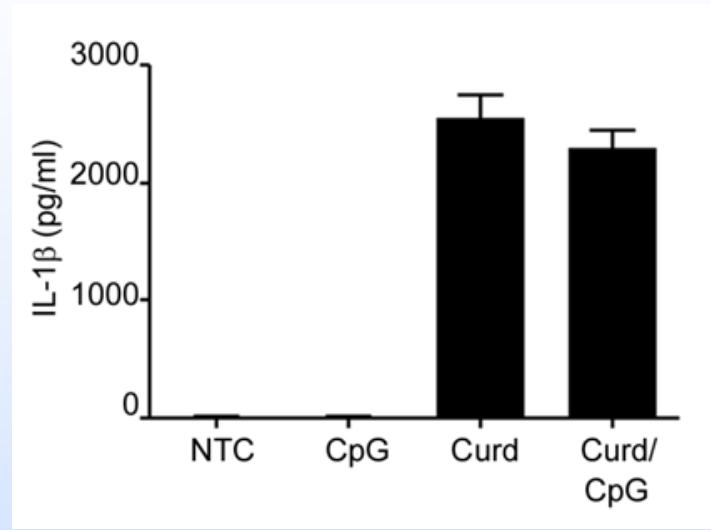
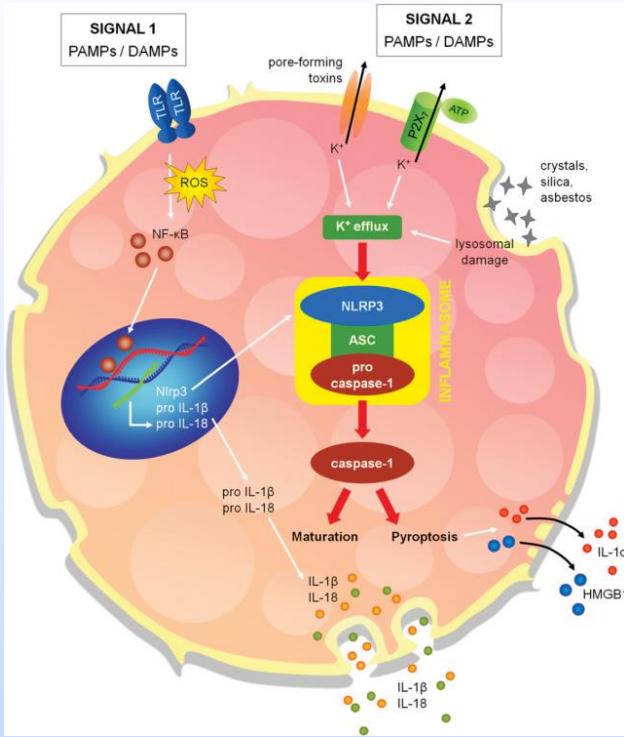
Inflammasome



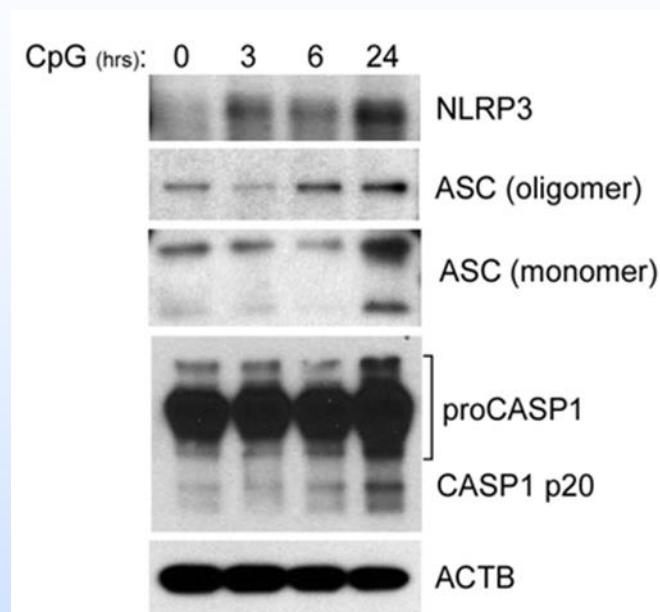
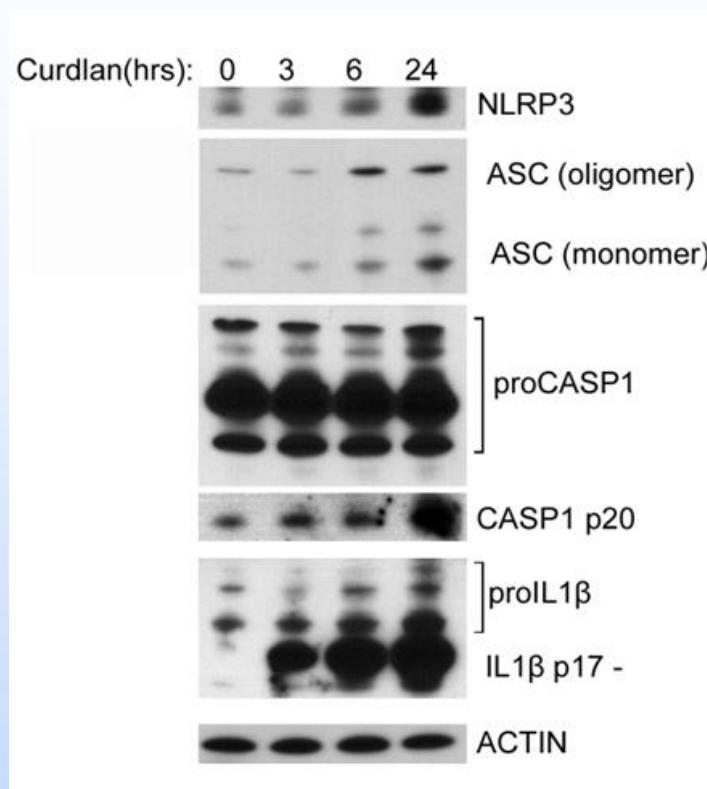
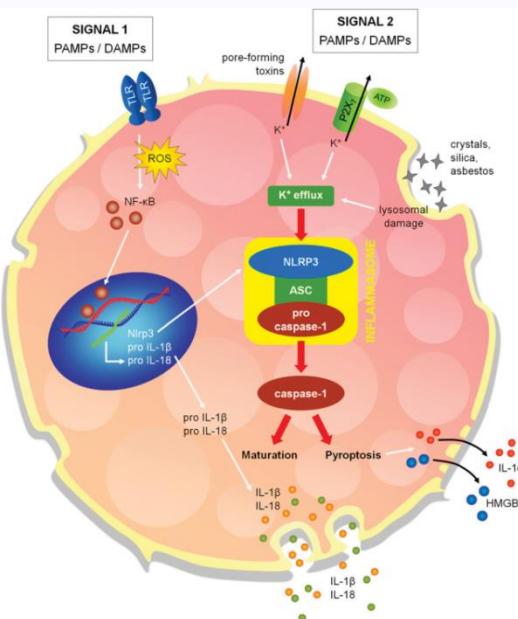
IL-1 β after 1,3 β -glucan stimulation



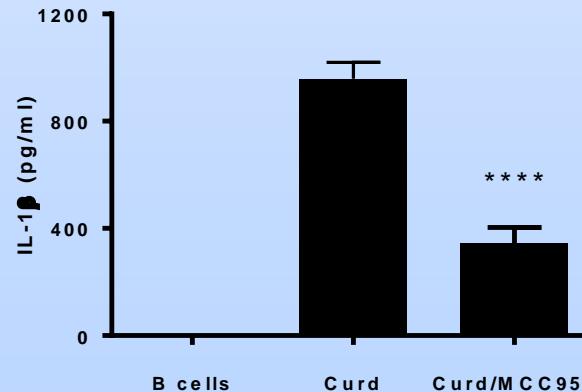
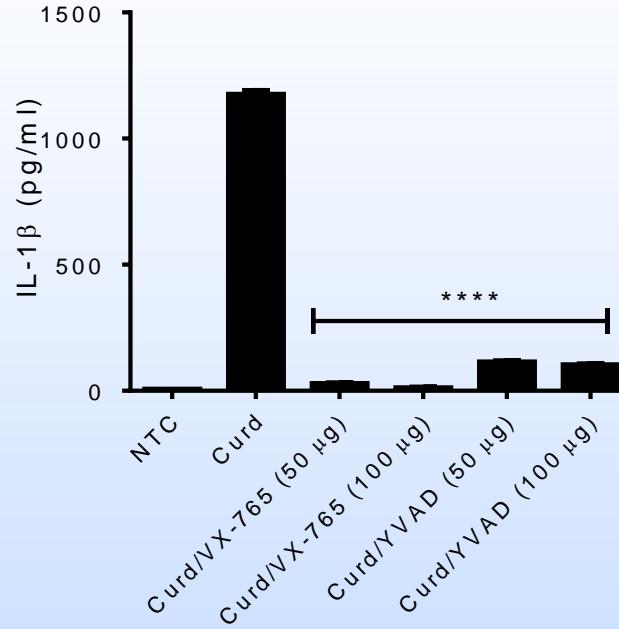
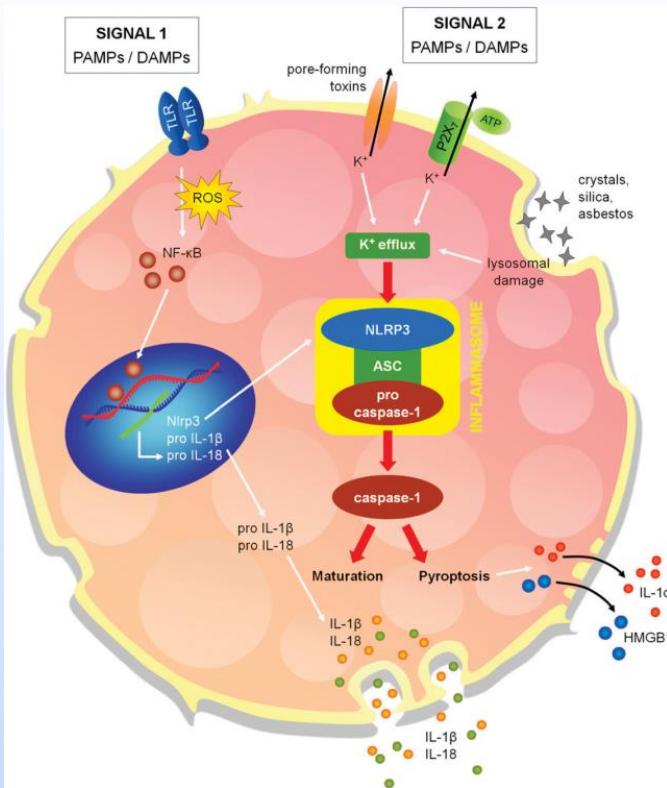
IL-1 β secretion after β -Glucan but not CpG stimulation



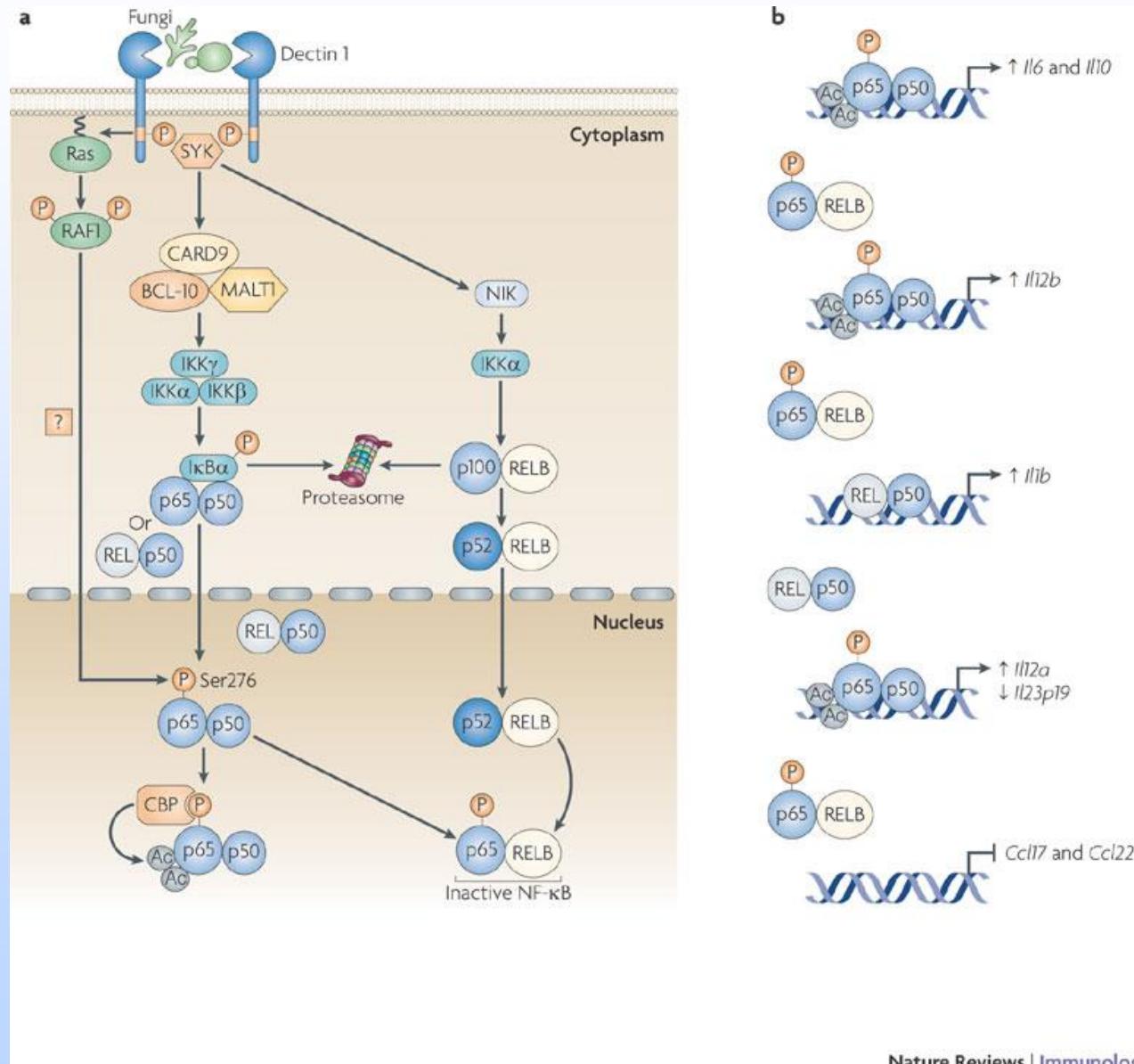
β -Glucan and CpG stimulate the NLRP3 Inflammasome



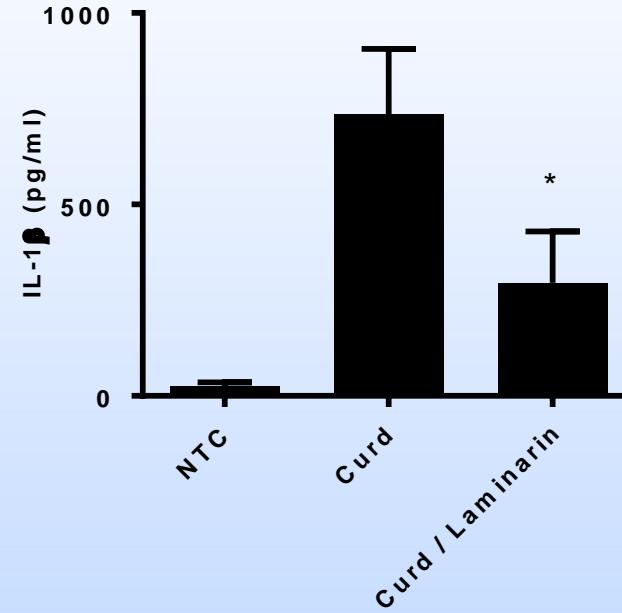
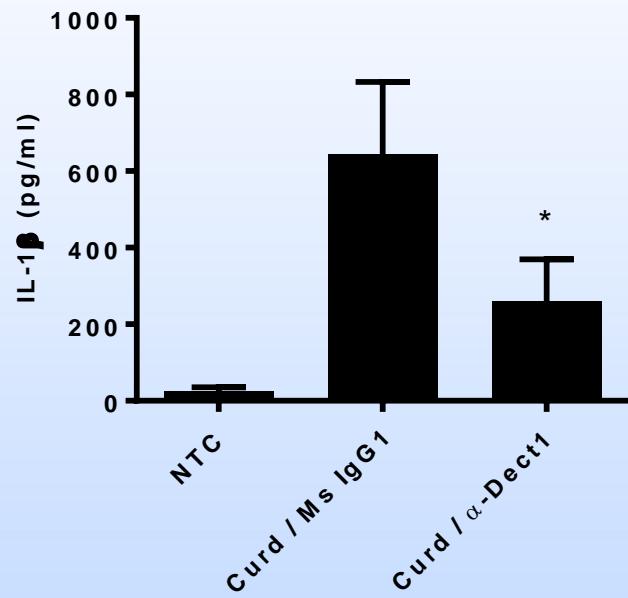
IL-1 β Secretion is Dependent on NLRP3 and Caspase-1



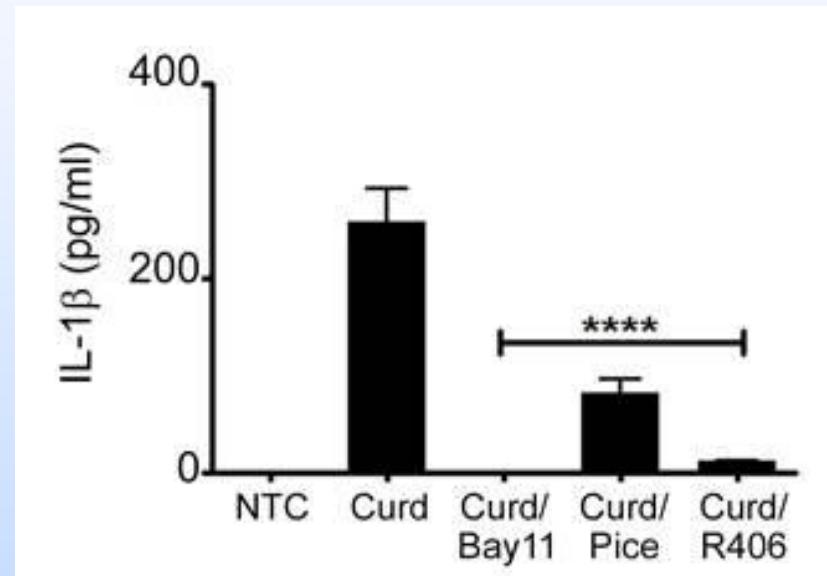
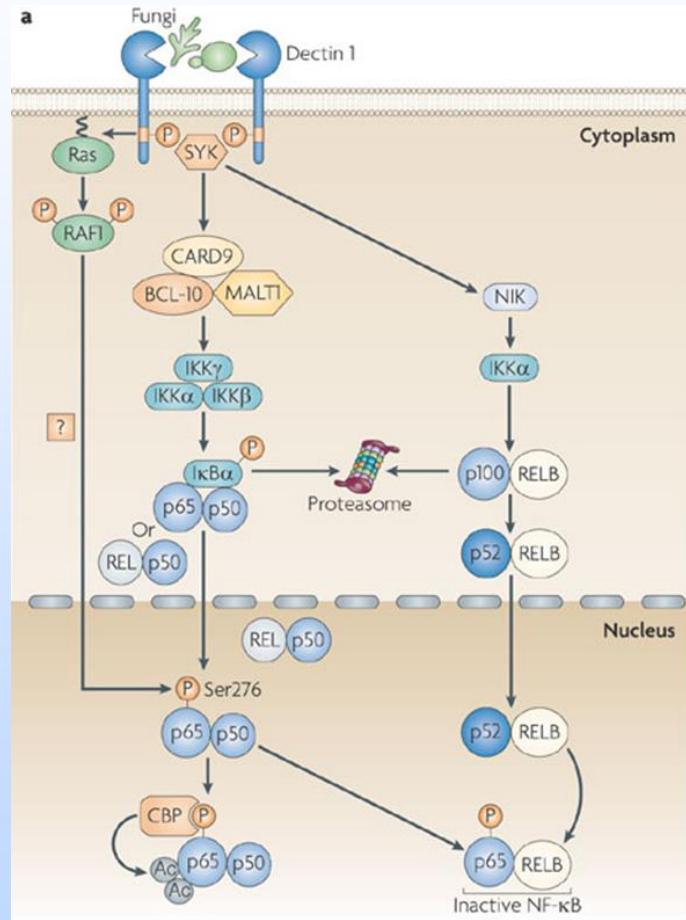
β -glucan signaling



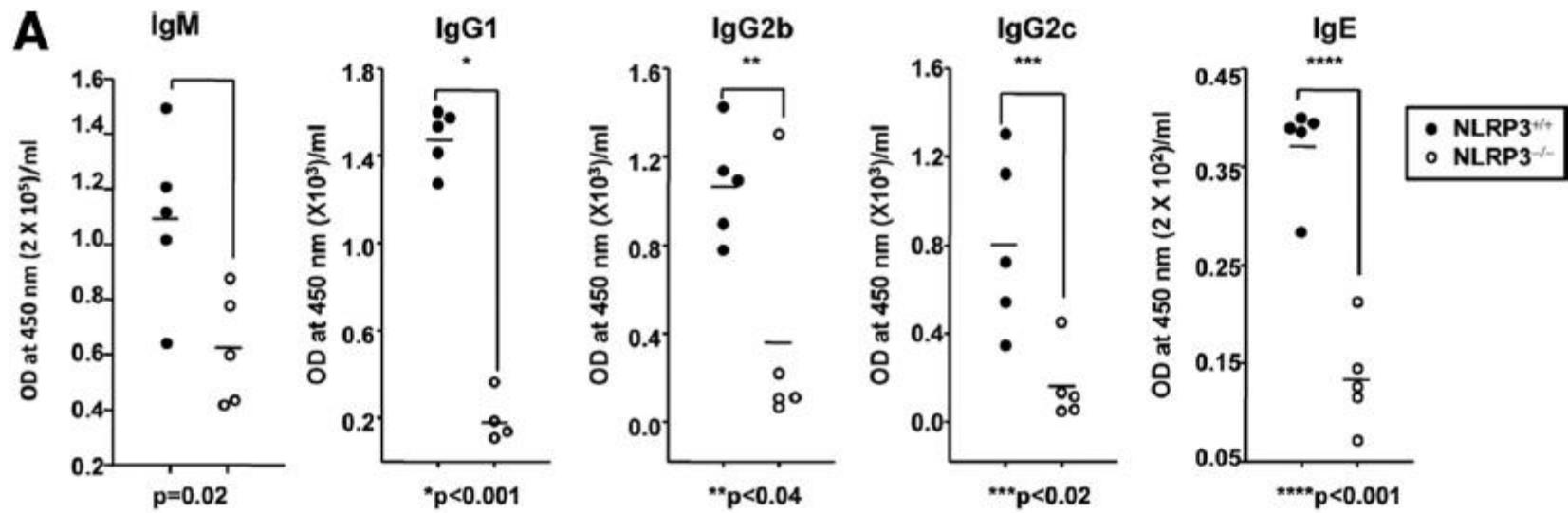
Dectin-1 is Required for β -glucan-Induced IL-1 β Secretion



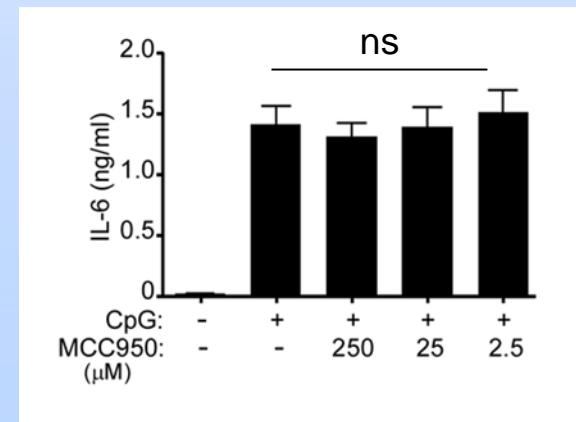
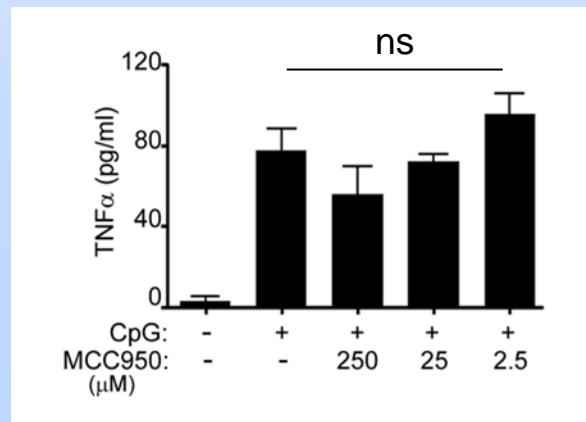
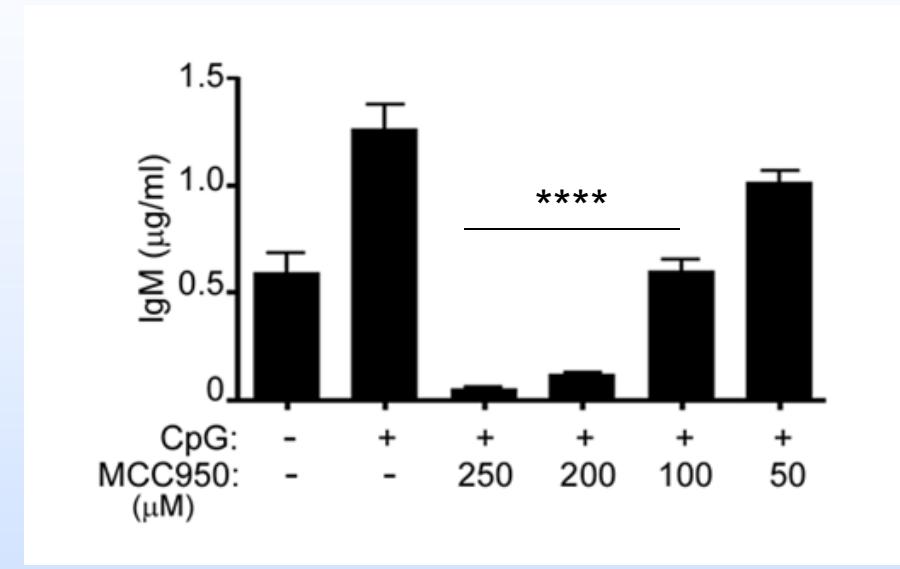
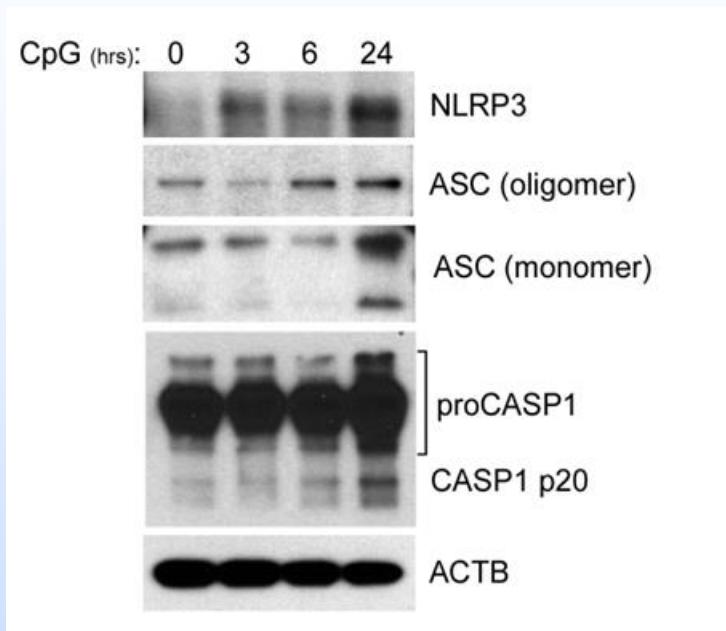
SYK and NF- κ B are Required in β -glucan-Induced IL-1 β Secretion



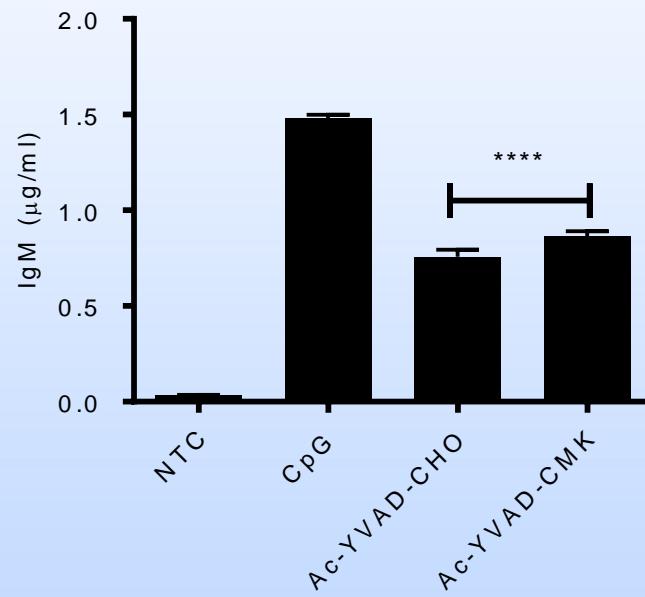
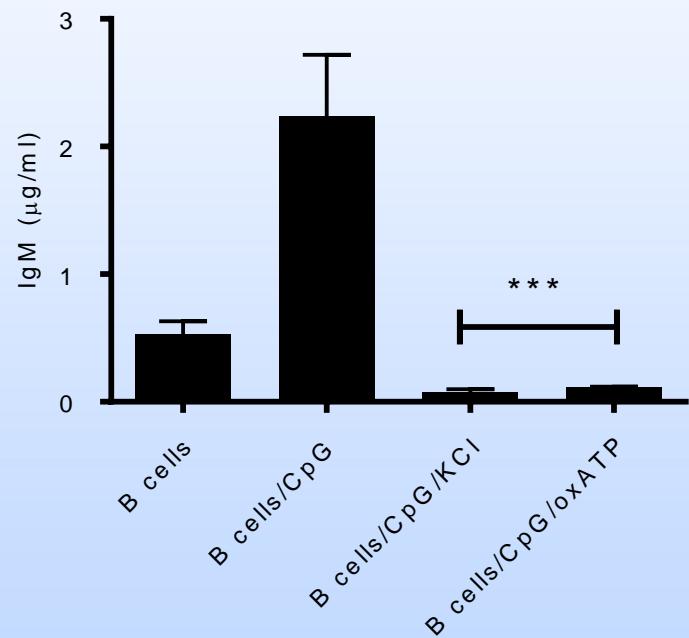
Decreased IgM levels in NLRP3 deficient mice



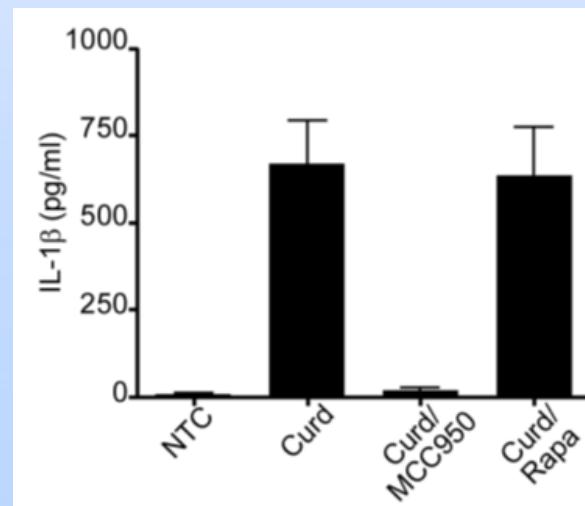
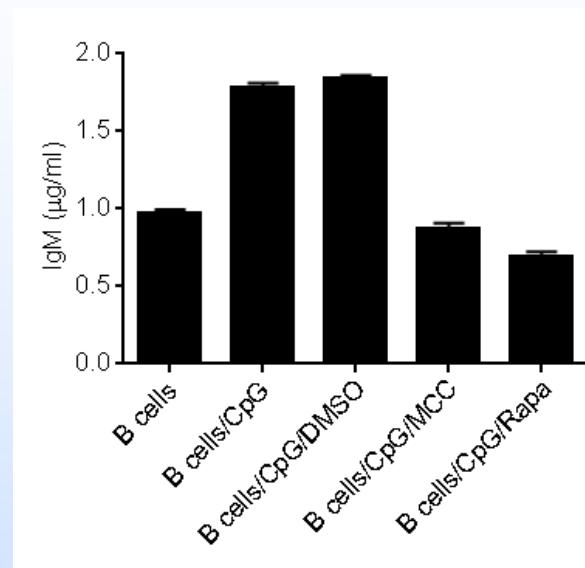
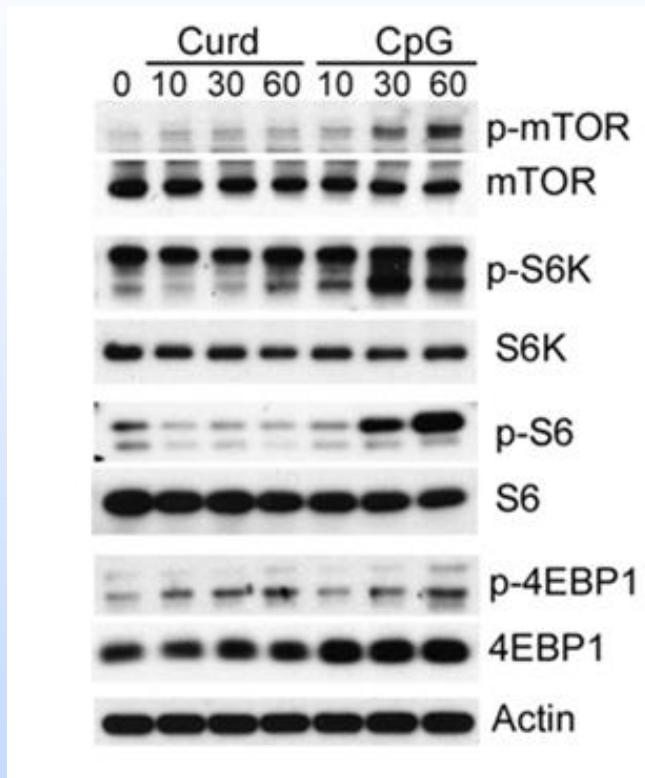
NLRP3-mediates IgM Production



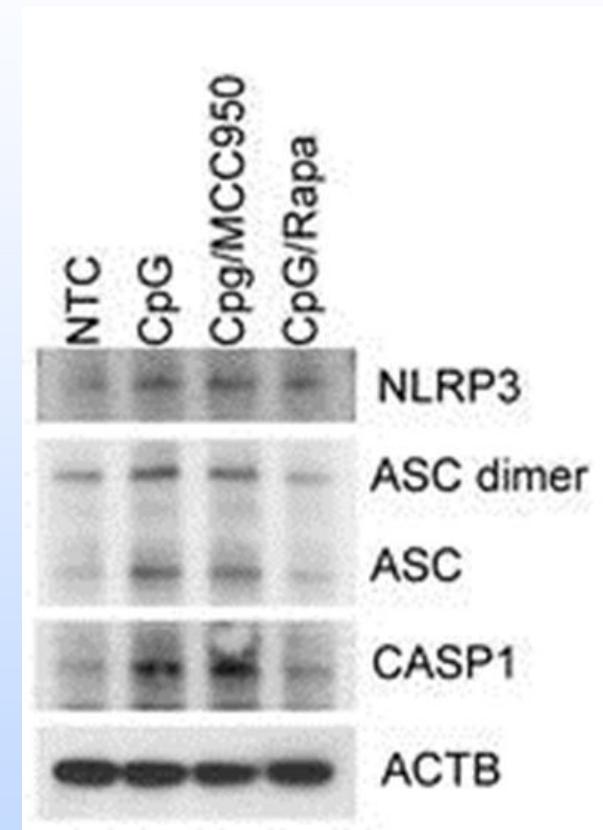
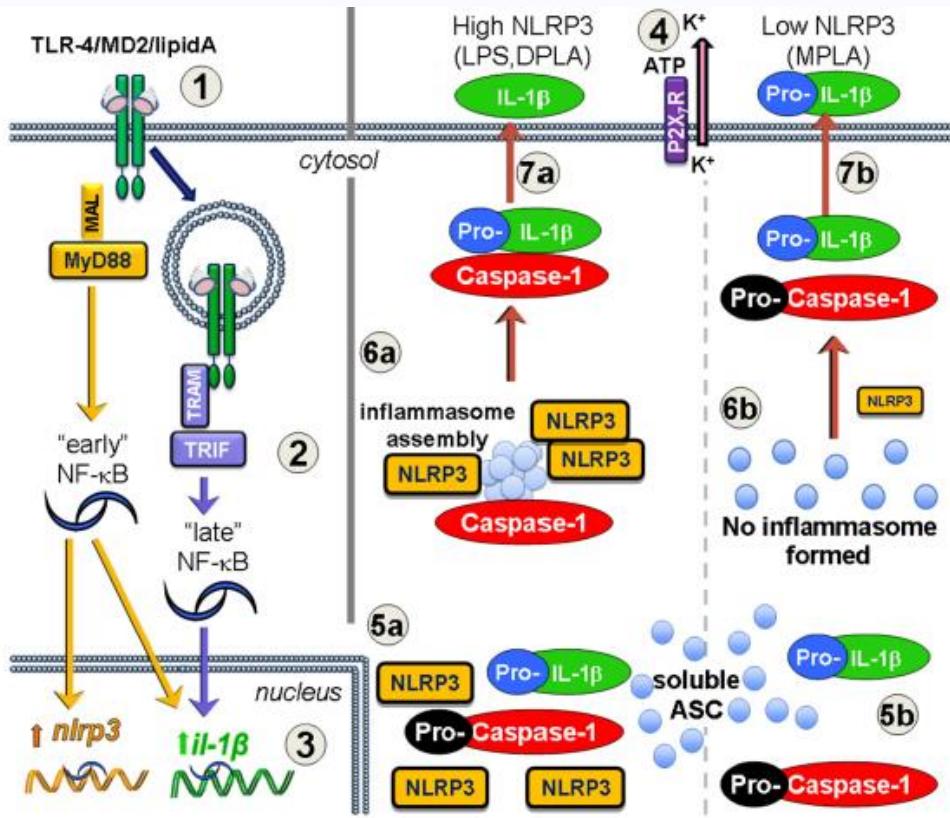
IgM induction by CpG is Mediated by ATP, K⁺ Depletion and CASP1



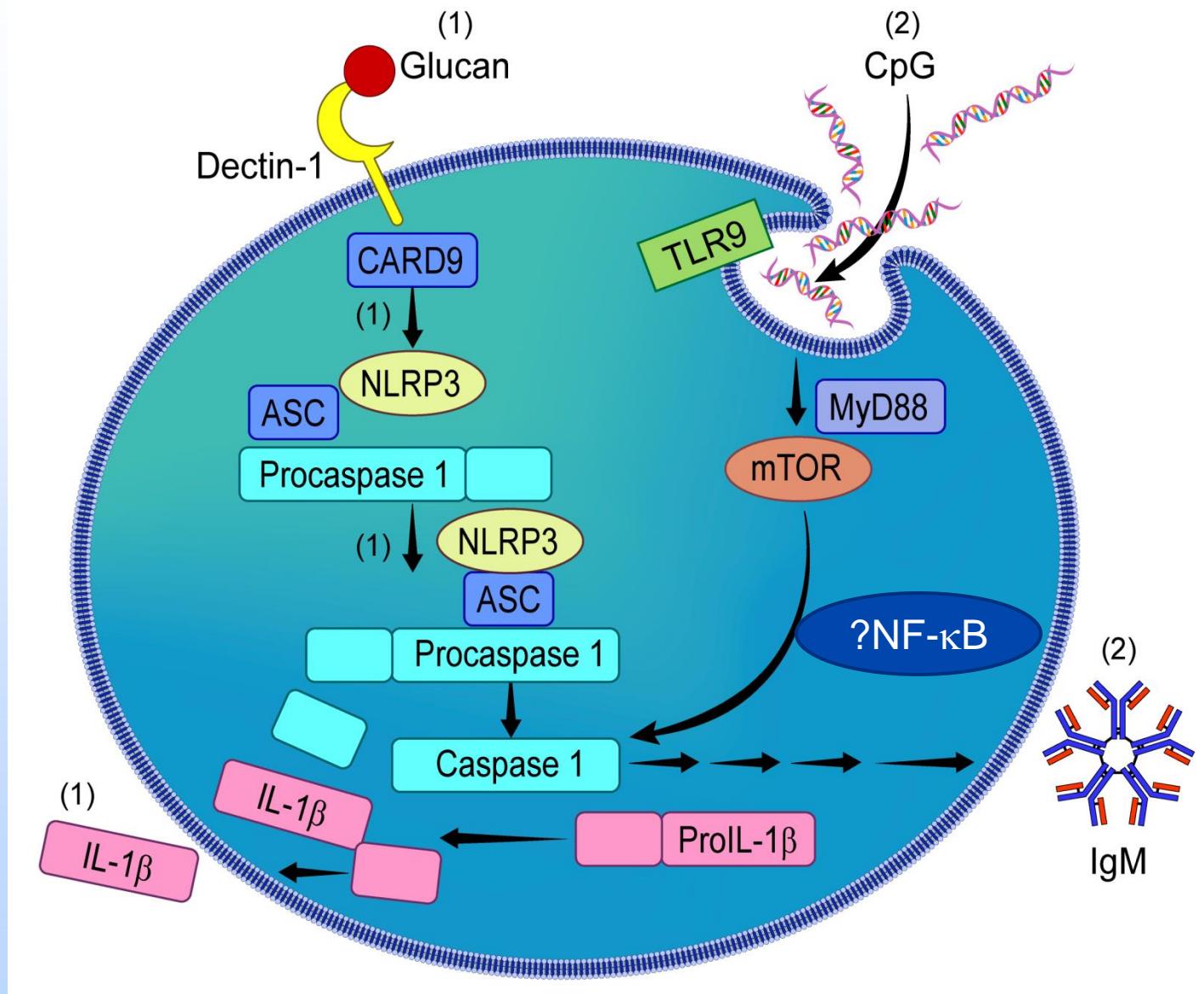
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How does mTOR regulate IgM?



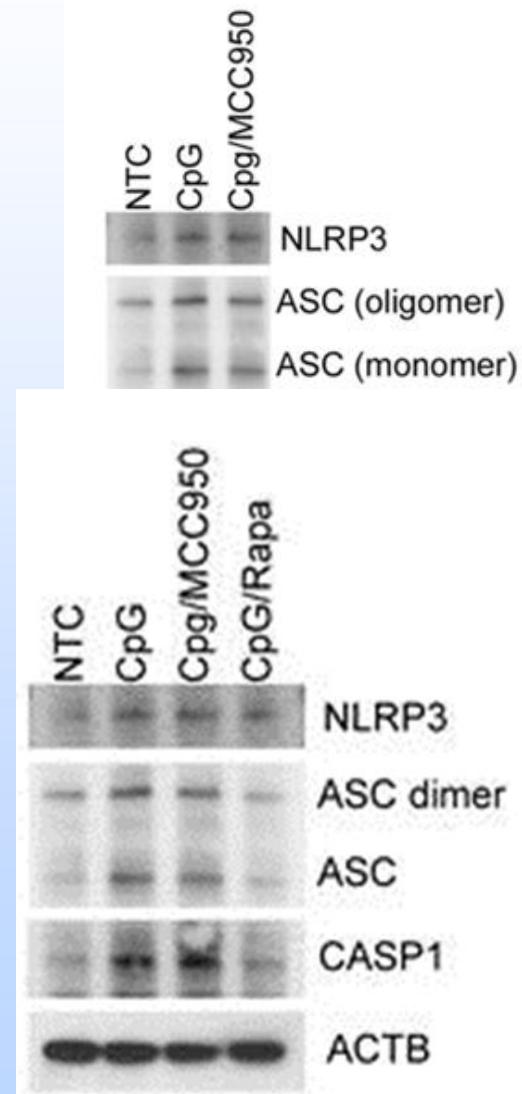
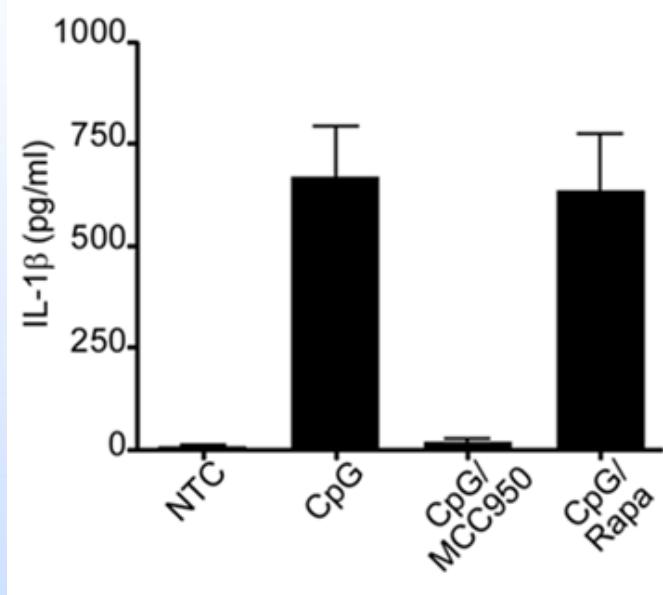
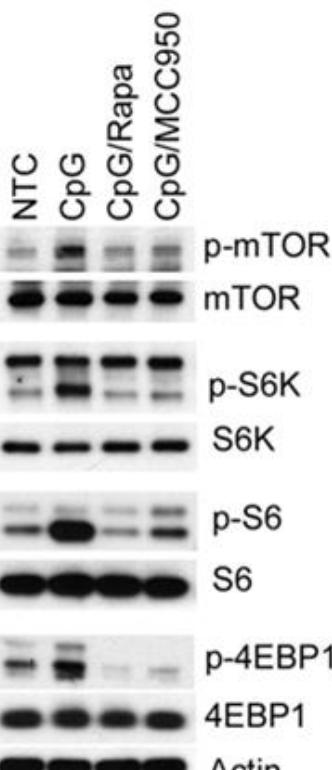
Proposed Mechanism





Questions & Discussion

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