

Supplementary Information for “Lysophosphatidylglucoside/GPR55 signaling promotes foam cell formation in human M2c macrophages”

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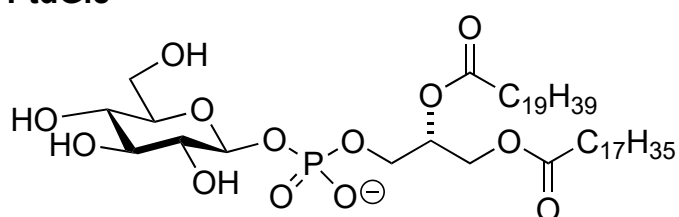
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Supplementary Materials and Methods

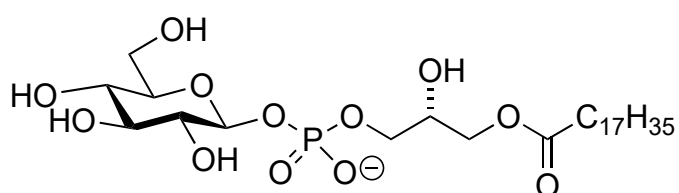
Structures of phosphatidylglucoside (PtdGlc) and LysoPtdGlc

PtdGlc is composed exclusively of saturated fatty acid chains with C18:0 and C20:0 at the *sn*-1 and *sn*-2 positions of the glycerol backbone¹, respectively. PtdGlc is mainly biosynthesized by Uridine diphosphate glucose: glycoprotein glucosyltransferase 2 (UGGT2)², and forms membrane microdomains on plasma membranes^{3,4}. Stimulation of cells results in digestion of PtdGlc by secretory phospholipase A₂ to produce a water-soluble lyso-form (lysoPtdGlc)^{5,6}.

PtdGlc



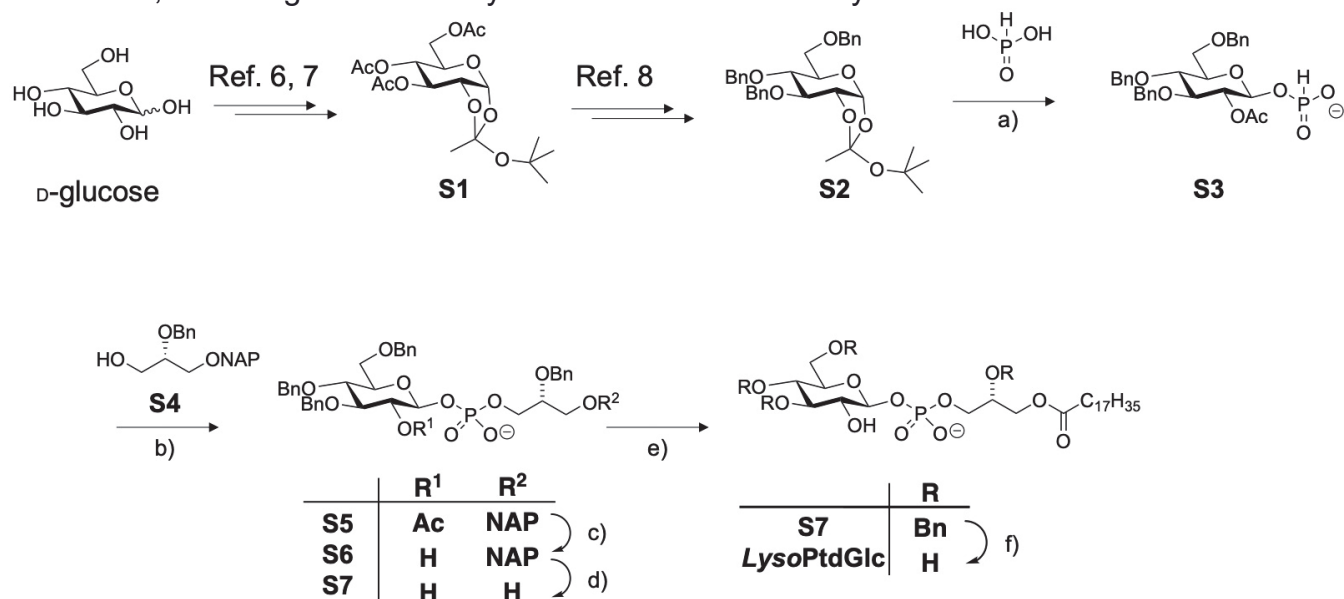
LysoPtdGlc



Synthesis of Lyso-PtdGlc

LysoPtdGlc was synthesized according to previous reports⁶⁻⁸. In brief, the glucosyl *H*-phosphonate moiety was synthesized via a five-step sequence from D-glucose. First, D-glucose was acetylated and then converted to the orthoester derivative **S1**. The acetyl-protecting groups of the orthoester derivative **S1** were replaced with a benzyl group. Acid-catalyzed ortho ester opening with phosphonic acid of the benzyl derivative **S2** using a microfluidic method introduced the *H*-phosphonate moiety to give the desired glucosyl *H*-phosphonate derivative **S3**. Condensation of the glycerol derivative **S4** with the prepared *H*-phosphonate derivative **S3** was achieved in a one-pot procedure by sequential pivaloyl chloride-mediated *H*-phosphonate activation and iodine oxidation to the corresponding phosphate diester derivative **S5**. Acetyl group on the glucose moiety **S5** was removed by hydrazine hydrate to give **S6**, followed by DDQ oxidation of 2-Naphthylmethyl (NAP) group on the glycerol moiety of **S6**, yielding the corresponding diol derivative **S7**. After the selective introduction of a stearyl residue at the only

primary hydroxy group, the remaining benzyl protecting groups were removed under reducing conditions, obtaining the desired lysoPtdGlc as a white waxy solid.



Scheme S1. Synthesis of lysoPtdGlc. Reagents and conditions: a) 1) THF, 40°C, 2) AcOH/TEA buffer pH 7, 0°C, 29% in two steps; b) 1) PivCl, pyridine, THF, 0 to 10°C, 2) 0.2 M I₂ solution, 10°C to 25 °C, 37% in two steps, c) H₂NNH₂, H₂O, MeOH, 40°C, 98 %, d) DDQ, CH₂Cl₂/H₂O=9/1, 25 °C, 79 %, e) stearic acid, EDC, DMAP, CH₂Cl₂, 25 °C, 84 %, e) H₂, Pd/C, 1 eq. AcOH, EtOH, 35°C, 63%.

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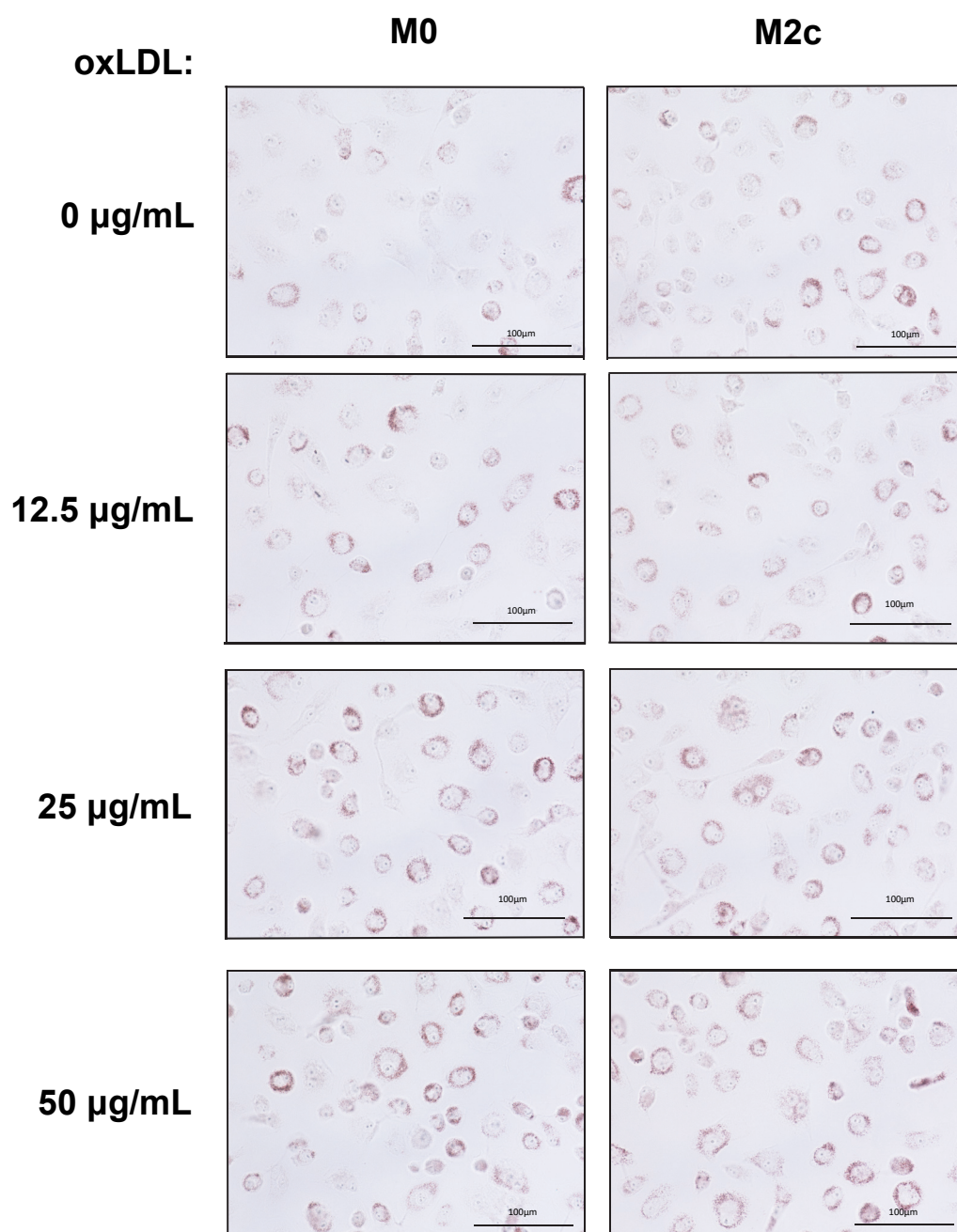
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Supplement Table 1. Primers used for RT-qPCR.

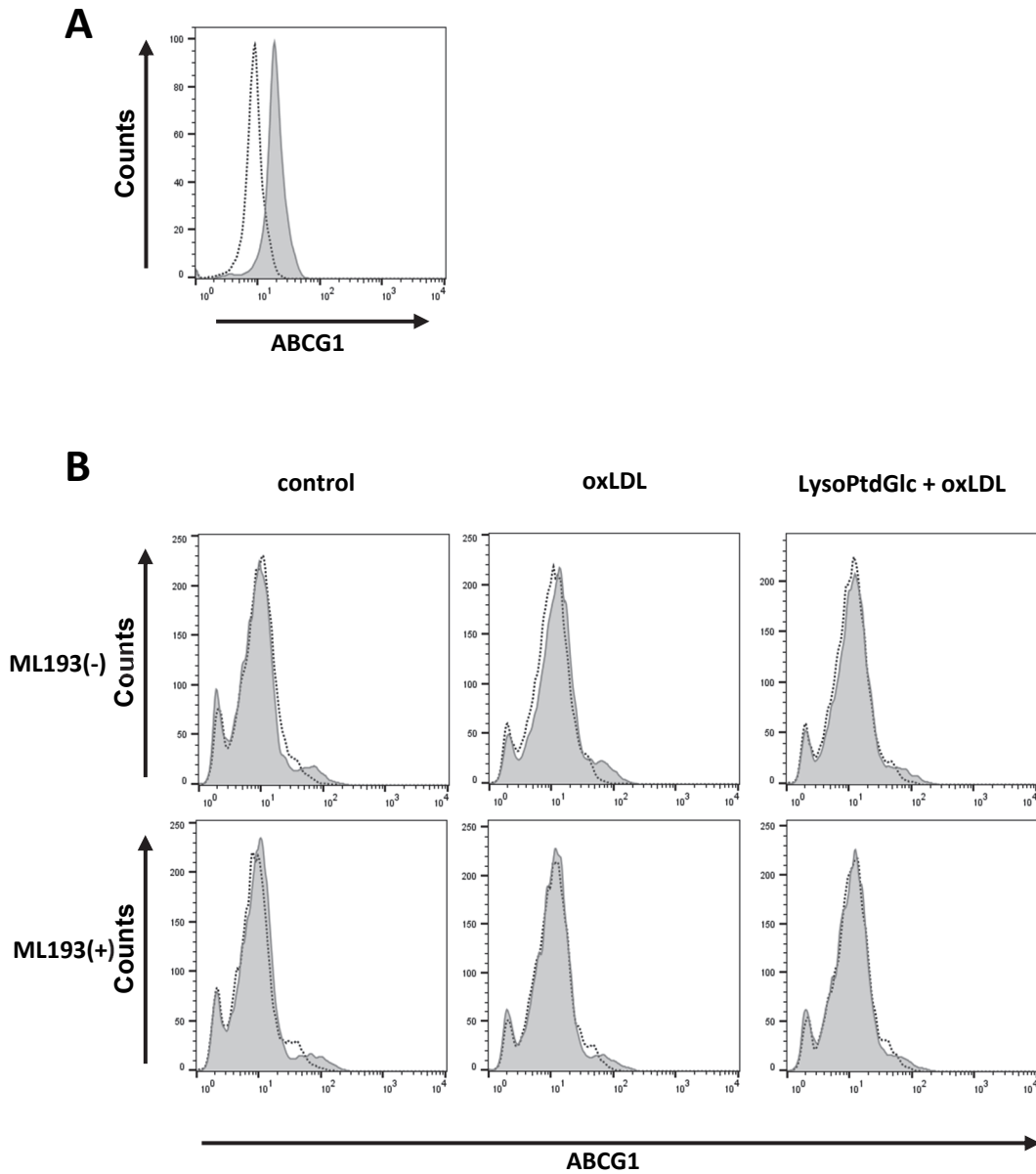
Gene	Forward primer (5'→3')	Reverse primer (5'→3')
<i>actb</i>	TGGCACCCAGCACAAATGAA	CTAAGTCATAGTCCGCCTAGAAGCA
<i>GPR55</i>	CCAGGATGCAGGTGAGTAAGA	CTGCCTTGGTTCCACCATA
<i>CNR1</i>	CGTTGCGGCTATCTTTGCG	CCTTCCTACCACTTCATCGGC
<i>CNR2</i>	GGACCCACATGATGCCAG	GACCGCCATTGACCGATAACC

Supplement Fig 1



Supplement Fig 1. Microscopic images of oxLDL-incorporated M0 and M2c macrophages. M0 and M2c macrophages were incubated with the indicated concentrations of oxLDL, and stained with ORO. Stained cells were observed by light microscopy (40x objective lens). Representative images are shown.

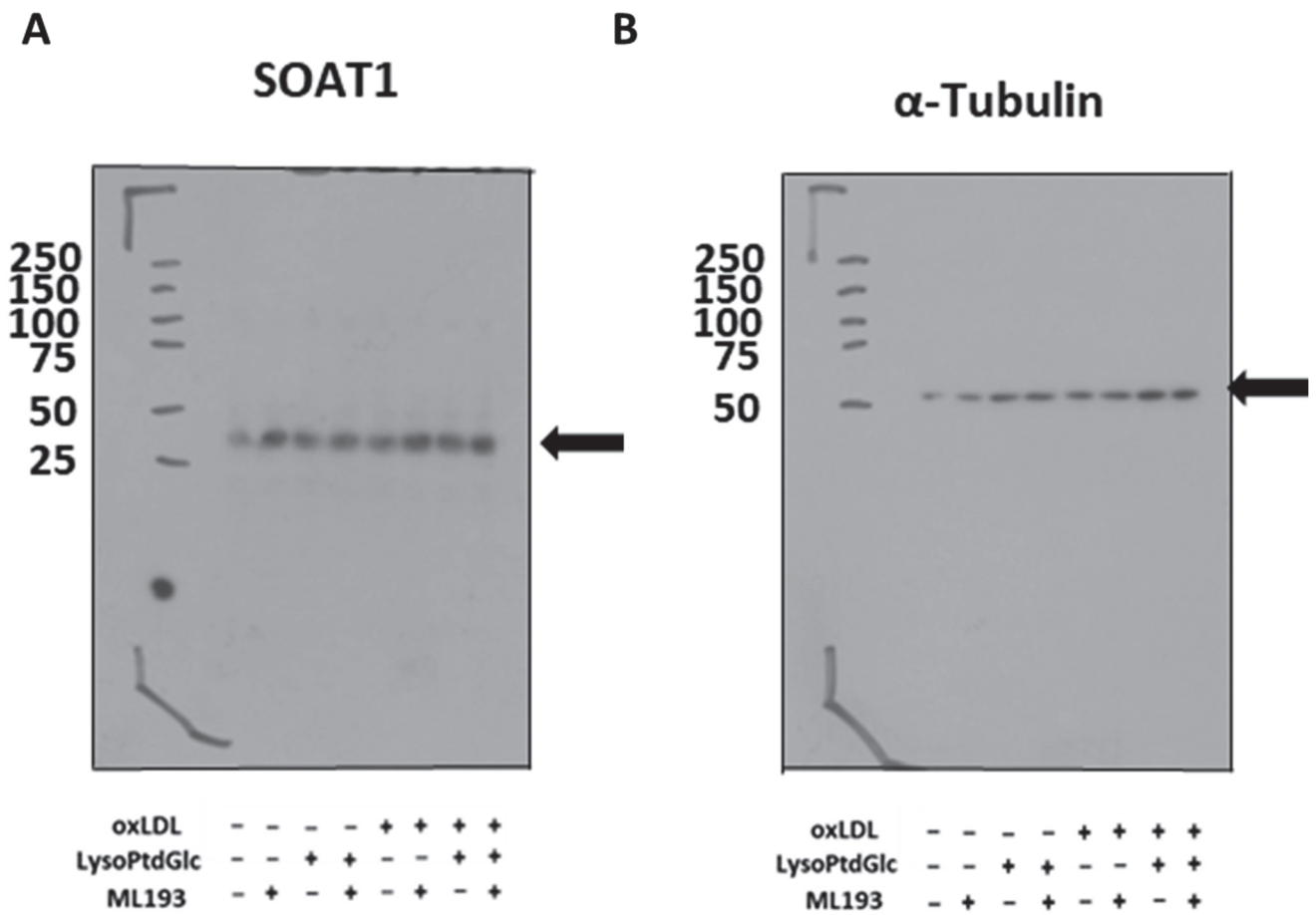
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Supplement Fig 2. Expression of ABCG1 in M2c macrophages

(A) ABCG1 expression in M2c macrophages was analyzed by flow cytometry. Cells were permeabilized with digitonin, fixed, and stained with anti-ABCG1 antibody. A representative histogram from three independent experiments is shown. Dotted line, isotype control. Solid line, anti-ABCG1 antibody. (B) Surface expression of ABCG1 on M2c macrophages was analyzed by flow cytometry. Cells were treated with ML193 for 2 h, stimulated with 10 nM lysoPtdGlc for 2 h, and incubated with 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ oxLDL for 24 h. Representative histograms from three independent experiments are shown (B).

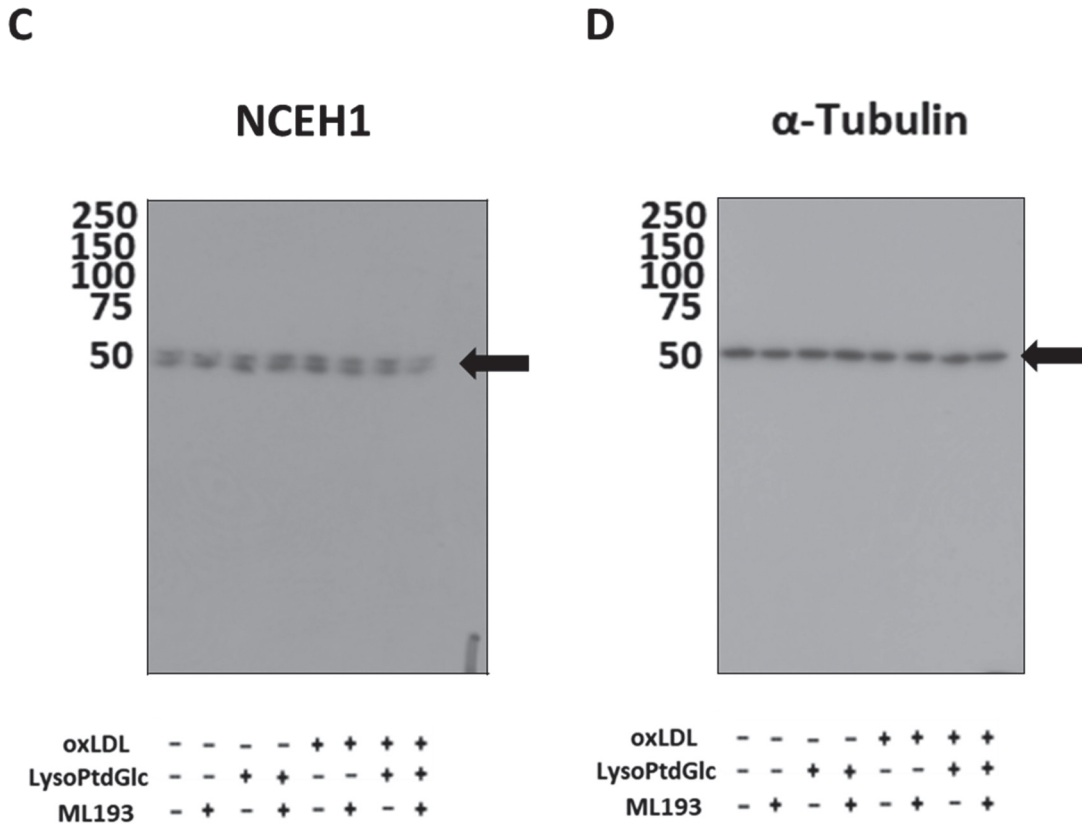
Supplement Fig 3-1



Supplement Fig 3-1. Original western blots, including protein ladders, for data presented in Fig. 4

SDS-PAGE was performed, proteins transferred onto PVDF membranes by semi-dry process, and membranes probed with appropriate HRP-conjugated primary and secondary antibodies (see M&M). Molecular weights (kDa) are indicated at left. A, SOAT1 B, α -tubulin.

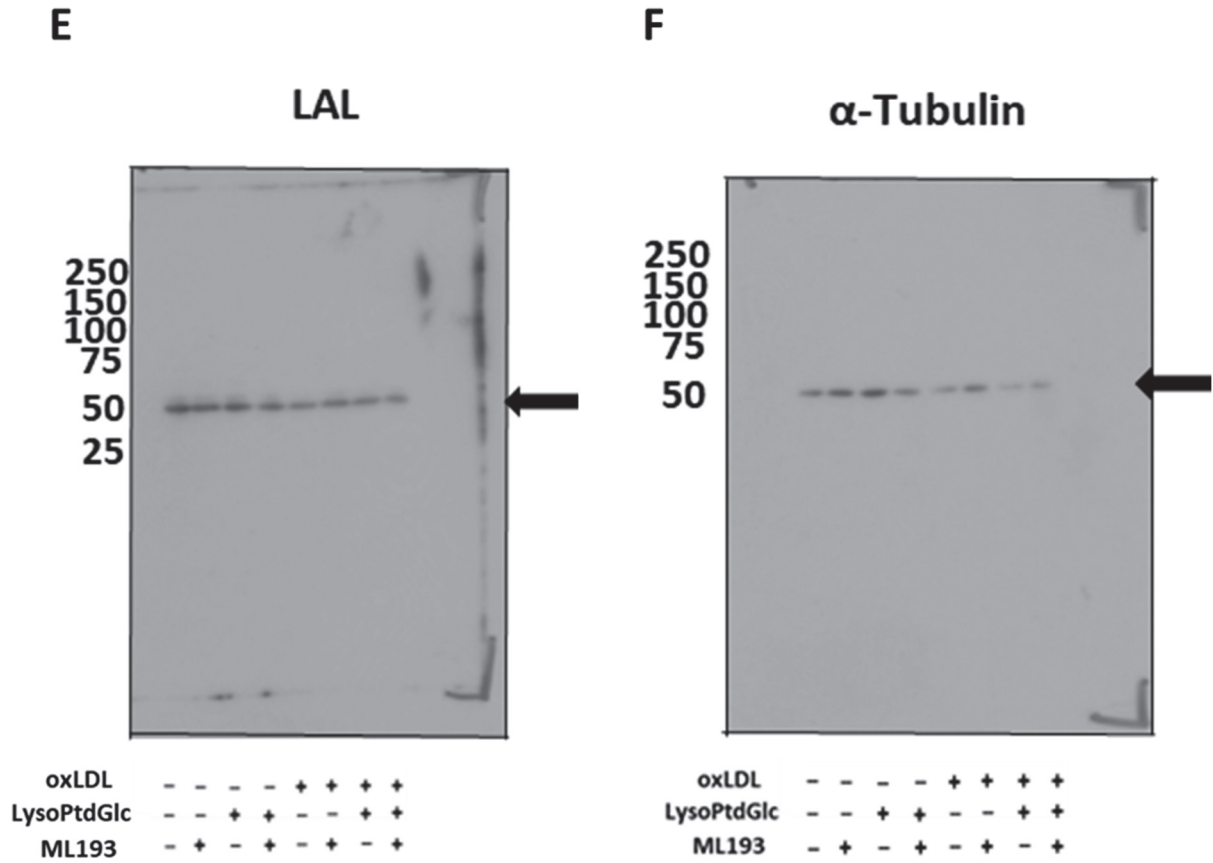
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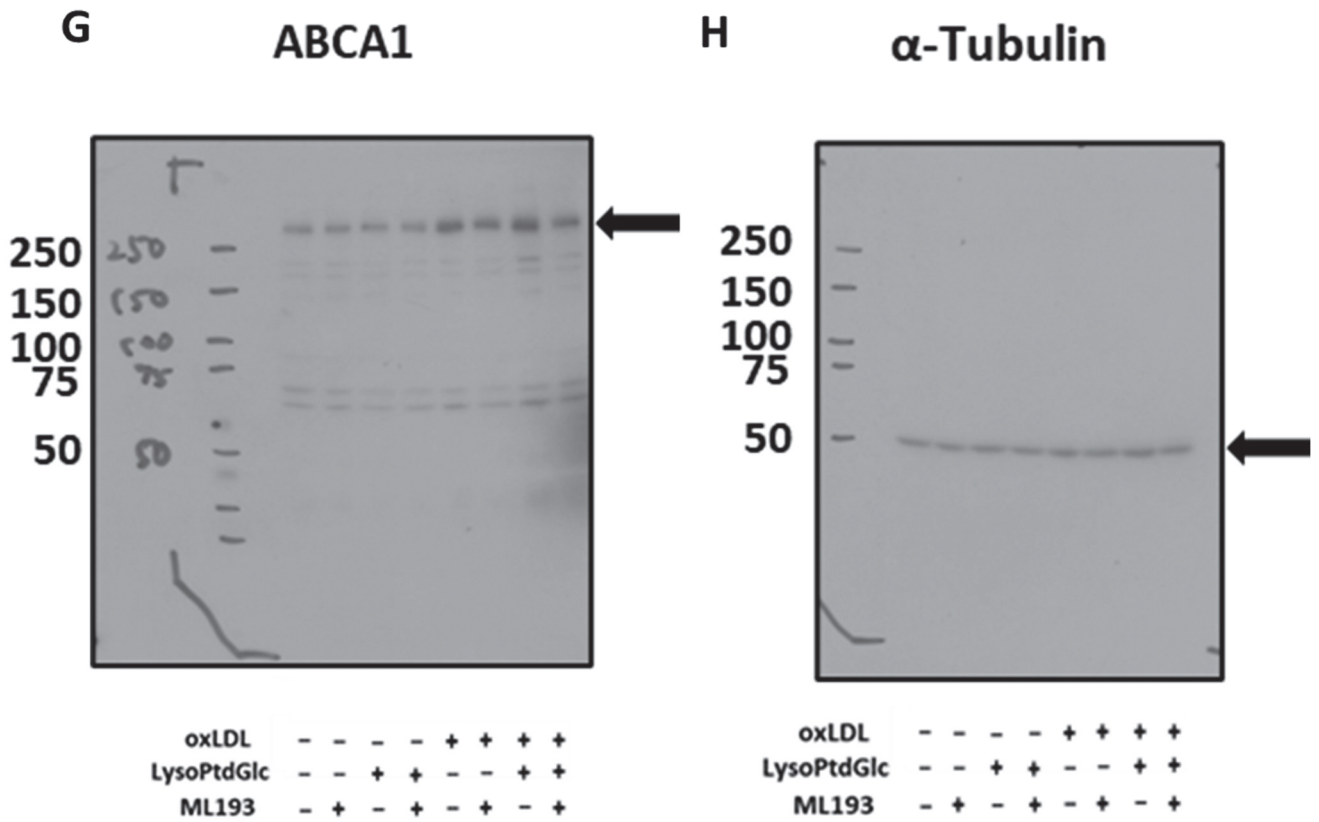
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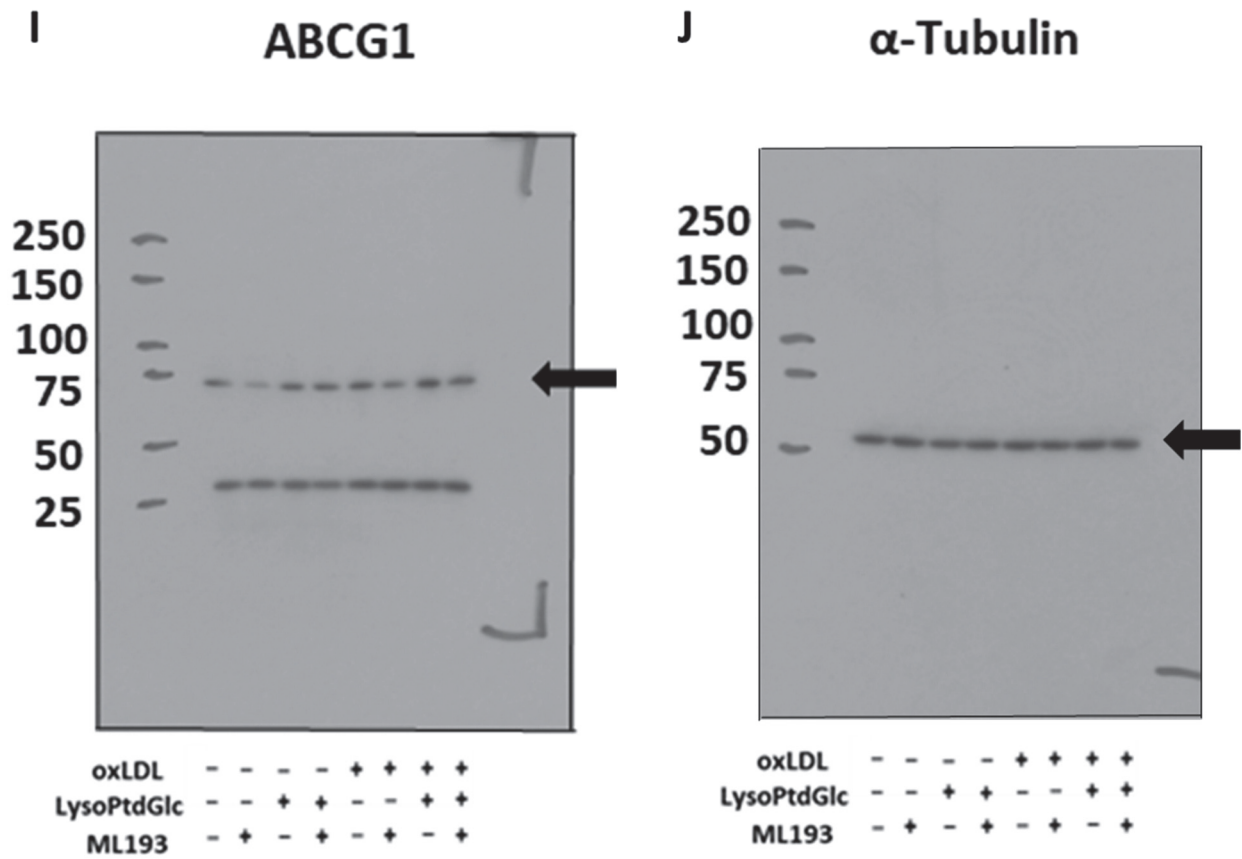
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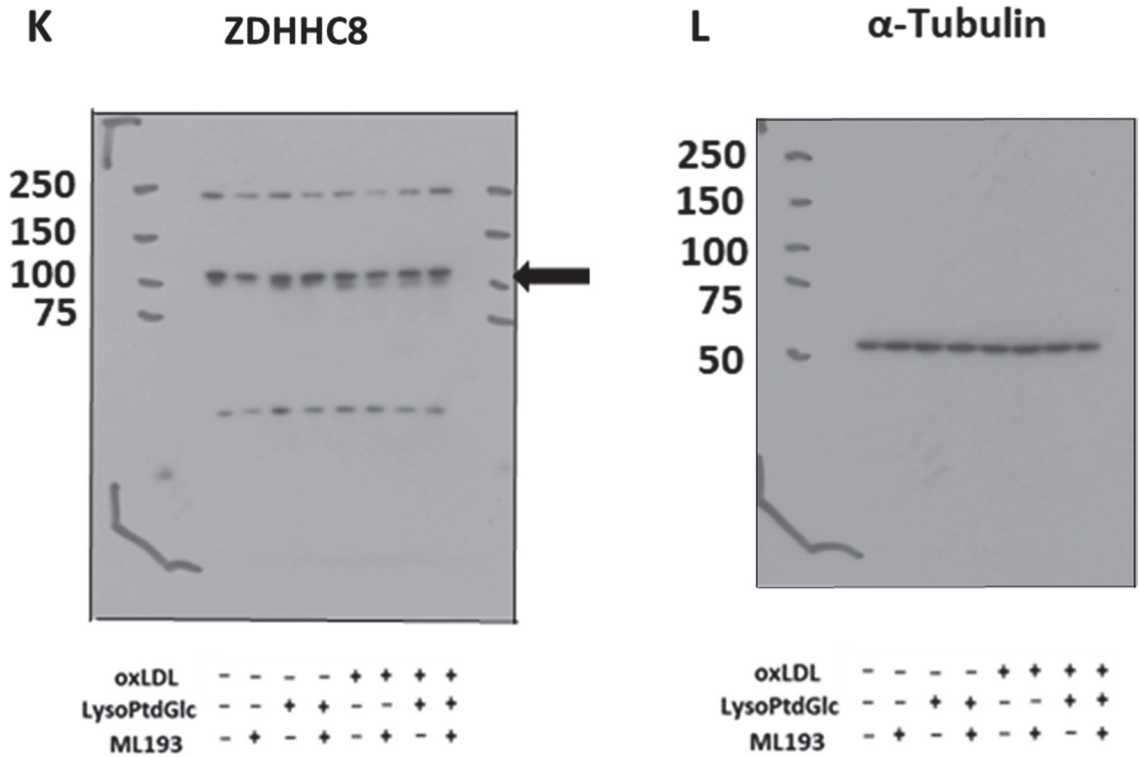
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Supplement Fig 3-6



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