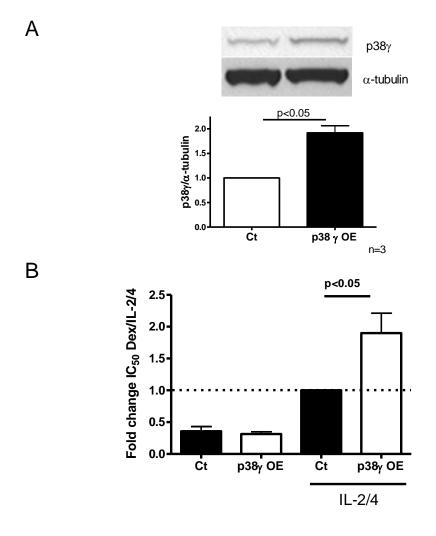
Supplementary Figure 3

p38 MAP kinase- γ inhibition by long-acting β_2 adrenergic agonists reversed steroid insensitivity in severe asthma

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U937 cells were transfected with either 2 ug of empty vector control (Ct) or with p38 gamma vector (p38 γ overexpression: p38 γ OE) with nucleofector (Amaxa) for 24hrs, and then incubated in 10% FCS RPMI1640 media for 24 hours with/without IL-2/4 stimulation. Cells were collected, treated with Dex (10- 11 to 10- 6 M) for 40 minutes followed by stimulation with TNF (10ng/ml) for 8 hours . Supernatant was collected and IL-8 level was determined by ELISA. IC50 values of dexamethasone on TNF α -induced IL-8 release was also calculated. N=3