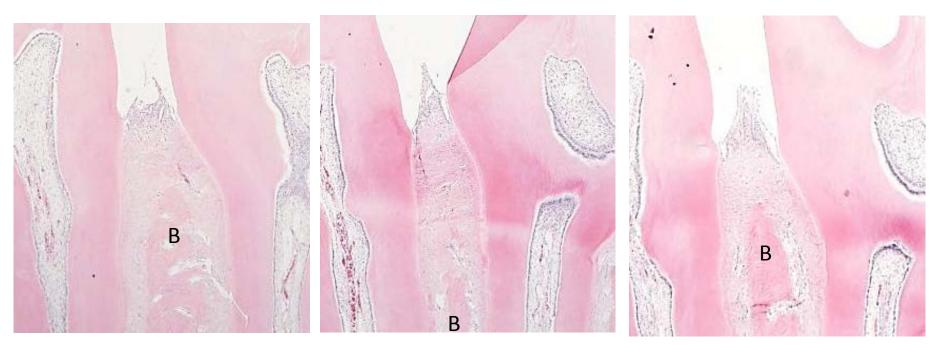
Supplemental Figure 1

Baseline

Infected

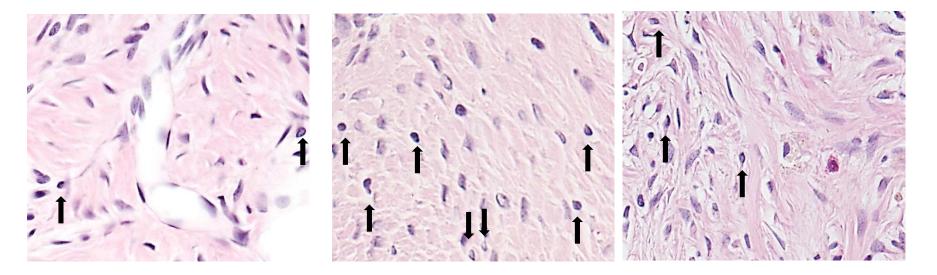
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H &E stained sagittal section taken from GK diabetic rats at baseline, 5 weeks following *Aa* infection and *Aa* infection with antibiotic treatment for the last week. B= bone Supplemental Figure 2

Baseline

Infected Antibiotic



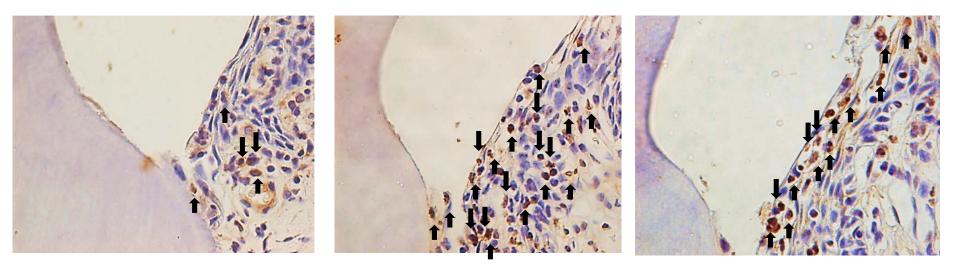
H &E stained sagittal section taken from sub-epithelial gingival connective tissue of GK diabetic rats at baseline, 5 weeks following *Aa* infection and *Aa* infection with antibiotic treatment for the last week. Arrows point to polymorphonuclear leukocytes.

Supplemental Figure 3

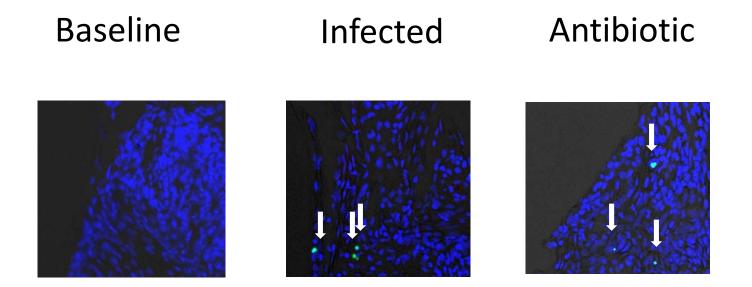
Baseline

TNF- α

Antibiotic



TNF expression in the epithelium of GK diabetic rats was assessed by immunohistochemisty with an anti-TNF-a specific antibody at baseline, 5 weeks following *Aa* infection and *Aa* infection with antibiotic treatment for the last week. No immunopositive cells were detected with matched control antibody (data not shown). Arrows point to TNF- α immunopositive cells (but not all positive cells).



Apoptotic cells in the gingival epithelium of diabetic rats were detected by the TUNEL assay in histologic sections taken at baseline, 5 weeks following *Aa* infection and *Aa* infection with antibiotic treatment for the last week. Sections were counterstained with DAPI to show nuclei. Arrows point to TUNEL positive cells.