

Supplemental material

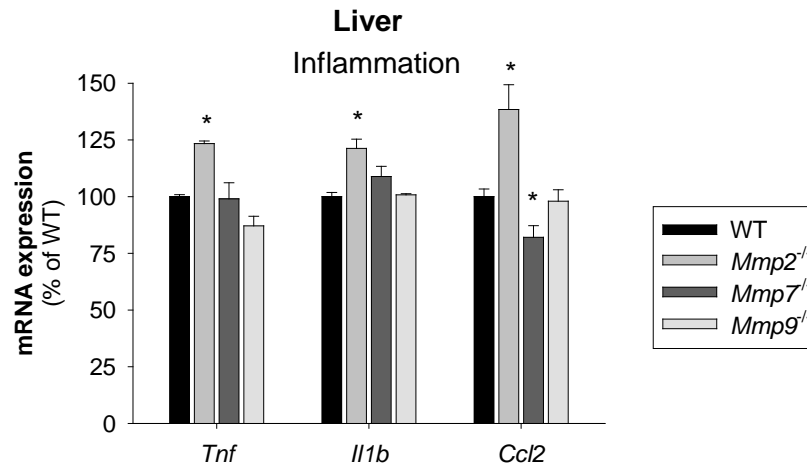
MMP-2 negatively regulates cardiac secreted phospholipase A₂ to modulate inflammation and fever

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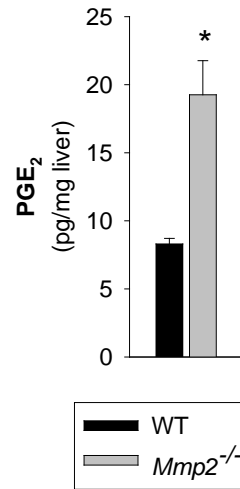
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**Supplemental Figure S1**

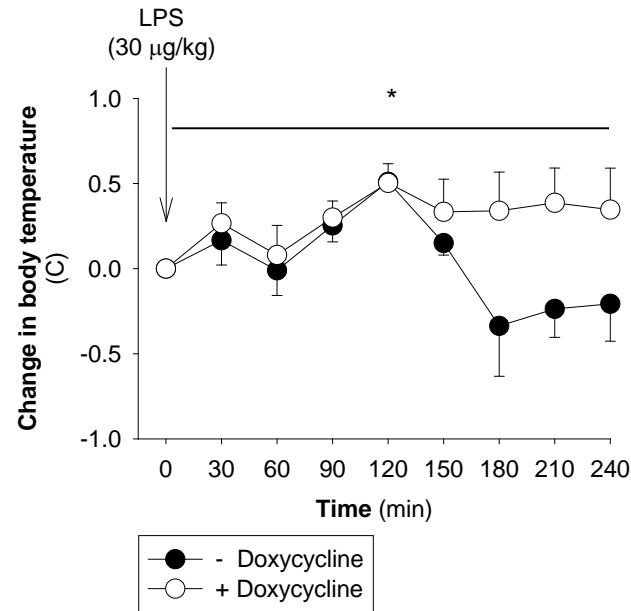
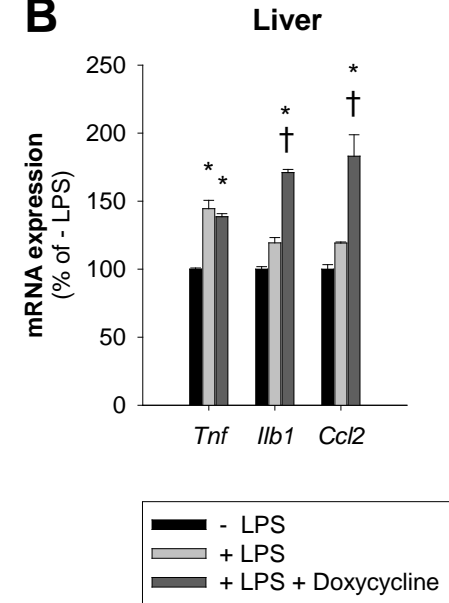
qRT-PCR analysis of selected inflammatory marker genes in the livers of WT, *Mmp2*^{-/-}, *Mmp7*^{-/-} and *Mmp9*^{-/-} mice. $n=3$ for each genotype. Results are means \pm sem. *: $P \leq 0.05$ vs. WT (control). All pairwise multiple comparisons vs. control group (Holm-Sidak method).

**Supplemental Figure S2**

Hepatic PGE₂ levels in mice 5 hours after intraperitoneal LPS (30 μg/kg) administration. Pools of *n*=3 were measured in duplicate. Results are means ± sem. *: *P* ≤ 0.05 vs. WT. *t*-test.

A

Study group	Baseline Temperature (C)
- Doxycycline	37.23 ± 0.12
+ Doxycycline	37.23 ± 0.12

**B****Supplemental Figure S3**

LPS-induced fever response in mice administered the MMP inhibitor, doxycycline. This experiment was conducted in parallel with that indicated in Figure 8A. $n=3$. Doxycycline-treated mice received doxycycline (50 mg/kg/day) orally for two days, with the second dose immediately preceding injection of LPS.

(A) Body temperature was measured rectally before and after intraperitoneal injection of LPS. *: $P \leq 0.05$ vs. - Doxycycline. One way repeated measures ANOVA.

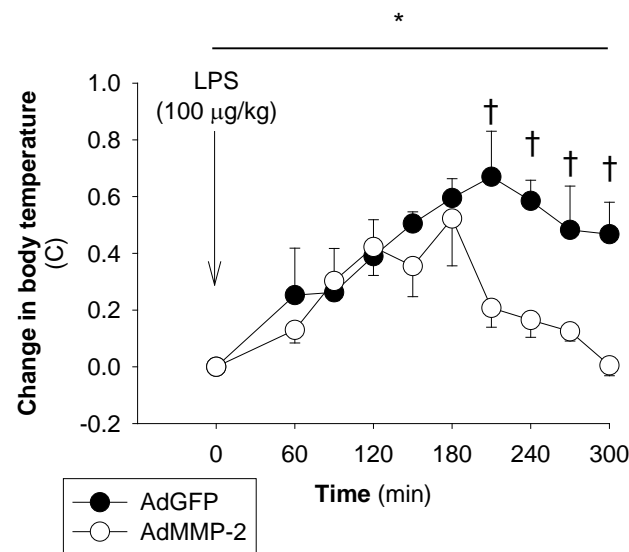
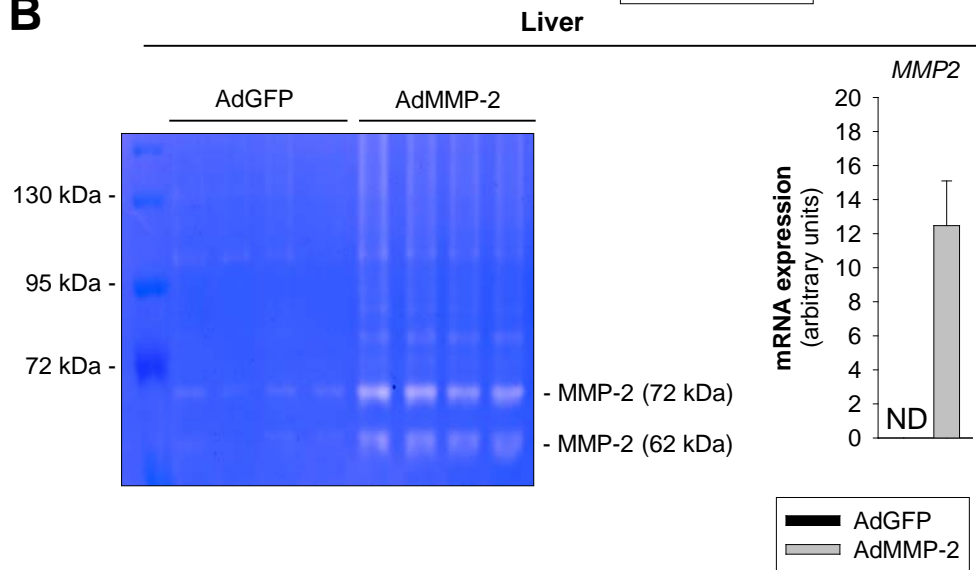
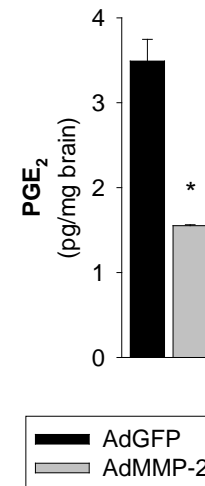
(B) Augmentation of selected hepatic inflammatory marker genes by doxycycline in mice administered LPS. qRT-PCR analysis of livers 5 hours after LPS (30 µg/kg) administration. *: $P \leq 0.05$ vs. - LPS. † $P \leq 0.05$ vs. + LPS. All pairwise multiple comparisons vs. control group (Holm-Sidak method).

MMP-2 inhibits systemic sPLA₂

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A

Study group	Baseline Temperature (C)
AdGFP	37.33 ± 0.05
AdMMP-2	37.53 ± 0.04

**B****C**

Supplemental Figure S4 (A) LPS-induced fever response of mice that overexpress MMP-2. WT mice received an intraperitoneal injection of AdMMP-2 or AdGFP (~10⁸ pfu). Three days later the mice received an intraperitoneal injection of LPS (100 µg/kg). Body temperature was measured rectally before and after LPS. n=4. *: P≤0.05 vs. AdGFP. Friedman Repeated Measures Analysis of Variance on Ranks. †: P≤0.05 vs. AdGFP at indicated times. All pairwise multiple comparison procedures (Fisher LSD Method). (B) Confirmation of MMP-2 overexpression. MMP-2 expression in AdMMP-2 vs. AdGFP infected mice 5 hours after LPS (100 µg/kg) administration. Left: Gelatin zymography. Right: qRT-PCR. ND: not detected. n=4. (C) Hypothalamic PGE₂ levels 5 hours after LPS (100 µg/kg). Pools of n=4 were measured in duplicate. *: P≤0.05 vs. AdGFP. t-test.