Supplementary Document

Temporal retinal transcriptome and systems biology analysis identifies key pathways and hub genes in *Staphylococcus aureus* endophthalmitis

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Figure S1. Differentially expressed genes identified from supervised analyses of SA post-infection data. A. Venn Diagram comparing significantly differentially expressed genes identified from the following comparisons: controls vs. 3h postinfection, controls vs. 12h post-infection, and controls vs. 24h post-infection. The genes were selected using supervised analysis on the basis Absolute Fold Change (AFC) and *p* value (AFC >1.5, *p* <0.05) by pairwise comparison of the groups. The analysis was performed on preprocessed data by filtering low-expressing probes on the basis of absolute intensity (intensity <40 in all samples). **B.** Heatmap of 1,434 genes commonly differentially expressed among different post-infection time points compared to controls. Columns represent the samples and rows represent genes. Gene expression levels are shown as a pseudocolor scale (-1 to 1) with red denoting a high expression level and green denoting a low expression level. **C.** GO clusters of biological processes and metabolic functions significantly enriched in 1,434 genes commonly differentially expressed among different post-infection time points compared to controls. A GO enrichment score of 1.3 is equivalent to linear *p* value of 0.05.

Figure S2: Functional and Gene Ontology Enrichment analysis of constitutively and temporally altered genes post-infection. GO clusters of biological processes and metabolic functions significantly enriched in constitutive (A) and temporal (B) postinfection altered genes. Each bar represents a significantly enriched GO cluster, with significance shown as enrichment score on x-axis (Enrichment Score = -log p value). C) Cologram of functional categories and disease that are significantly linked to temporal post-infection altered genes.

Figure S3: Transcriptional profile of PAM3 treated samples (PAM3) and PAM3 pretreated and SA infected samples (PAM3+SA). A) Venn Diagram comparing significantly differentially expressed genes identified only in PAM3 treated samples without infection, or post-infection in PAM3 pre-treated samples. The analysis identified 85 commonly differentially expressed genes. B) Heatmap of 85 genes commonly differentially expressed in PAM3 treated and PAM3+SA samples. Columns represent samples and rows represent genes. Gene expression levels are shown on a pseudocolor scale (-1 to 1), with red denoting high expression levels and green denoting low expression levels. **C)** Functional and disease enrichment analysis of genes that are commonly differentially expressed in PAM3 treated and PAM3+SA samples. Each bar represents a significantly enriched functional category. **D)** Pathway enrichment analysis of genes that are commonly differentially expressed in PAM3 treated and PAM3+SA samples.

Figure S4: qRT-PCR analysis of regulatory molecules and their correlation with gene expression data. C57BL/6 mice were intravitreally injected with S. aureus (SA) or Pam3Cys (either alone or 24h pre-infection) for the indicated time points. Total RNA was extracted, reverse transcribed, and subjected to qRT-PCR using specific primers for thirteen master regulators (IGF1, Jun, STAT3, NUPR1, CEBPB, CSF1, CyR61, EGFR1, SPP1, TGM2, IL-6, IL-1 β , and CXCL2) genes, with glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH) as the control. Modulations of gene expression were expressed as relative fold changes with respect to the GAPDH control. Statistical analysis was performed using one-way ANOVA for comparisons of control versus stimulated cells over time. Data points and bars represent the mean ± the SD of triplicates from three independent experiments.

Supplementary Figures:









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