Supplementary information

Reduced expression of monocyte CD200R is associated with enhanced proinflammatory cytokine production in sarcoidosis

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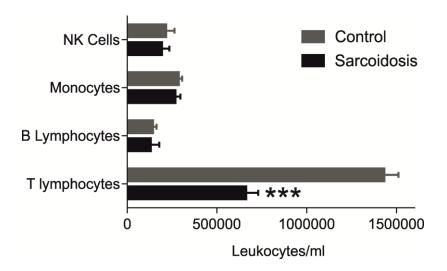


Figure S1. Peripheral blood mononuclear cell subsets in sarcoidosis subjects demonstrate a T lymphocytopenia. T lymphocytes (CD3⁺), B lymphocytes (CD19⁺), monocytes (CD14⁺) and Natural Killer cells (CD3⁻CD56⁺ lymphocyte gated) were determined by flow cytometry. Data are presented as mean±SEM; using one-way ANOVA with Tukey's *post hoc* test. B-lymphocytes and NK-cells n=10, healthy control T-lymphocytes and Monocytes n=25, sarcoidosis patients T-lymphocytes and monocytes n=22.

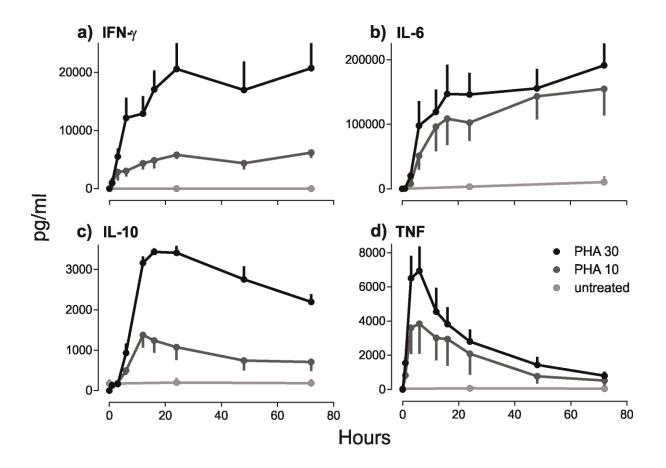


Figure S2. Cytokine release profiles from whole blood show TNF is produced early. Whole blood was incubated with PHA (10, 30 μ g/ml) or left untreated for up to 72 hours. Plasma was collected at intervals for measurements of a) IFN- γ , b) IL-6, c) IL-10, and d) TNF. Results are presented as mean±SEM; n=4 healthy controls.

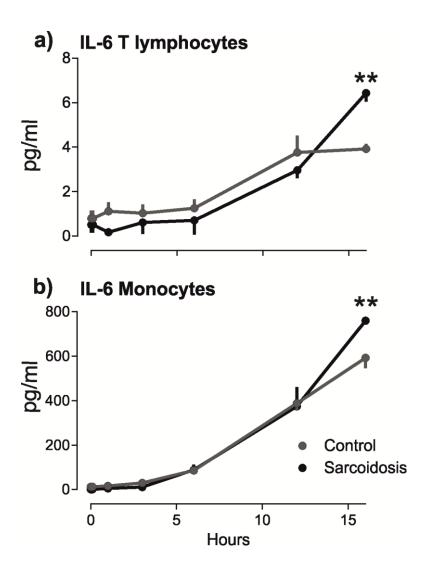


Figure S3. IL-6 is produced primarily by monocytes. a) Intracellular accumulation of IL-6 in T-lymphocytes. b) Intracellular accumulation of IL-6 in monocytes. PBMCs were treated with $5\mu g/ml$ of Brefeldin A and $10\mu g/ml$ of PHA. Results are presented as mean±SEM; **= p<0.01 using two-way ANOVA. healthy controls n=3, sarcoidosis patients n=2.

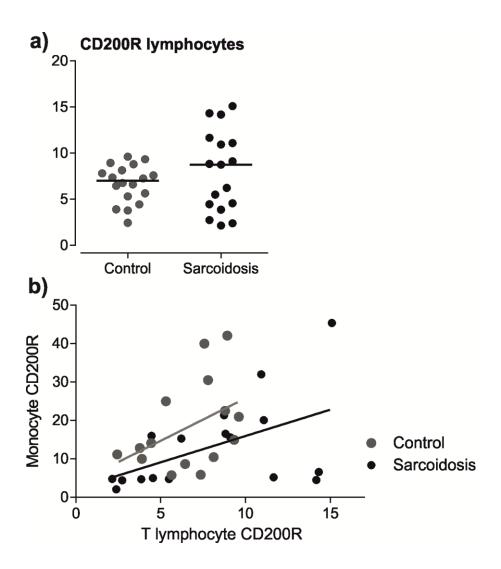


Figure S4. CD200R expression on T lymphocytes is polarised as low or high expressing populations in sarcoidosis. a) CD200R expression on T lymphocytes (geometric mean fluorescent units) in patients with sarcoidosis and healthy controls. P=NS using Kolmogorov–Smirnov test. b) Relationship between CD200R expression on T lymphocytes and monocytes within individual subjects. Grey line = linear regression for healthy controls, R²=0.19; black line = linear regression for sarcoidosis patients, R²=0.26. Healthy controls n=18, sarcoidosis patients n=17

Reagents

RPMI 1640 media (Lonza) was supplemented with 10% heat inactivated foetal bovine serum (Gibco) and 100 units/ml penicillin and 100 μg/ml streptomycin (Lonza). Histopaque 1077 (Sigma) was used for separation of PBMCs from whole blood. FACS Blocking Solution was made using PBS and 0.5% protease free high grade bovine serum albumin (Fisher Scientific). ELISA materials not supplied with kits included the ELISA wash buffer (0.05% Tween 20 in 1xPBS (Fisher Scientific)), assay diluent (1% BSA in 1xPBS), 96 well Nunc Maxisorb plates (Fisher Scientific), 1M Sulphuric Acid (VWR) and TMB substrate solution (Vector Laboratories). Phytohaemagglutinin as PHA-P was purchased from Sigma Aldrich and Staphylococcus enterotoxin A (SEA) was obtained from Sigma-Aldrich, both were reconstituted and stored as per the manufacturer's instructions. All antibodies for immunophenotyping were obtained from Biolegend and were mouse monoclonal with accompanying matched isotype controls (see Table E1). Antibodies used in intracellular flow cytometry and regulatory receptor characterisation were obtained from Biolegend (see Table E2). CD200 receptor blocking antibody was obtained from R&D Systems, anti-human CD200 R1 polyclonal goat antibody and the control normal goat polyclonal IgG control. CD200 blocking antibody was obtained from R&D systems, human CD200 IgG1 (clone # 325531) and isotype control from Biolegend Human LEAF IgG1.

Target Protein	Host Species	Isotype	Fluorophore	Clone	Reference Number
CD3	Mouse	lgG1, к	APC	UCHT1	300412
CD4	Mouse	lgG1, κ	APC	RPA-T4	300514
CD8a	Mouse	lgG1, к	PE	HIT8a	300908
CD14	Mouse	lgG1, к	APC	HCD14	325608
CD14	Mouse	lgG1, к	FITC	HCD14	325604
CD14	Mouse	lgG1, κ	PE	HCD14	325606
CD16	Mouse	lgG1, κ	APC	B73.1	360706
CD25	Mouse	lgG1, к	FITC	BC96	302604
CD45RA	Mouse	IgG2b, к	FITC	HI100	304148
CD45RO	Mouse	IgG2a, к	PE	UCHL1	304206
Isotype	Mouse	lgG1, к	APC	MOPC-	400122
Control				21	
Isotype	Mouse	lgG1, κ	FITC	MOPC-	400110
Control				21	
Isotype	Mouse	lgG1, к	PE	MOPC-	400114
Control				21	
Isotype	Mouse	IgG2b, к	FITC	MPC-11	400307
Control					
Isotype	Mouse	IgG2a, к	PE	MOPC-	400212
Control				173	

Table S1

Target Protein	Host Species	Isotype	Fluorophore	Clone	Reference Number
IFN-γ	Mouse	lgG1, к	FITC	4S.B3	502506
IFN-γ	Mouse	lgG1, к	PE	B27	506507
IL-6	Rat	lgG1, к	PE	MQ2-	501107
				13A5	
IL-10	Rat	lgG1, к	PE	JES3-9D7	501404
TNF-α	Mouse	lgG1, к	PE	Mab11	502909
Isotype Control	Mouse	lgG1, к	FITC	MOPC- 21	400138
Isotype Control	Mouse	lgG1, к	PE	MOPC- 21	400140
Isotype Control	Rat	lgG1, κ	PE	RTK2071	400408
CD47	Mouse	lgG1, к	FITC	CC2C6	323106
CD172a/b (SIRP α/β)	Mouse	lgG1, к	PE	SE5A5	323806
CD200 (OX2)	Mouse	lgG1, κ	PE	OX-104	329206
CD200 Receptor	Mouse	lgG1, κ	PE	OX-108	329306
CD210	Rat	lgG2a, к	PE	3F9	308804
(IL-10R)					
Isotype Control	Mouse	lgG1, к	FITC	MOPC- 21	400110
Isotype Control	Mouse	lgG1, к	PE	MOPC- 21	400114
Isotype Control	Rat	lgG2a, к	PE	RTK2758	400508

Table S2

Leukocyte Population	Healthy	Sarcoidosis	P value
PBMC number	2.03	1.21	< 0.0001
(x10 ⁶ cells/ml)	(0.60)	(0.40)	
Percentage of monocytes in PBMCs	15.1	22.2	0.001
	(4.84)	(8.49)	
Lymphocyte:monocyte ratio	4.67	2.34	< 0.0001
	(2.58)	(1.50)	
Percentage of CD3 ⁺ T lymphocytes in total	72.6	54.4	< 0.0001
lymphocytes	(6.42)	(15.00)	
Ratio of CD4 ⁺ :CD8 ⁺ T lymphocytes	1.93	2.28	0.561
	(0.99)	(2.24)	
Ratio of naïve to memory T lymphocytes	0.86	0.58	0.185
(CD45RA:RO)	(0.63)	(0.50)	
Percentage of CD19 ⁺ B lymphocytes in	8.53	11.6	0.679
PBMCs	(4.40)	(8.80)	
Percentage of CD3 ⁻ CD56 ⁺ Natural Killer	11.9	18.5	0.778
cells in PBMCs	(5.46)	(6.75)	
Percentage of CD3 ⁺ CD56 ⁺ NK-like T	7.70	5.24	0.190
lymphocytes in T lymphocytes	(3.01)	(3.39)	
Percentage of CD25 ⁺ activated T	22.2	28.8	0.025
lymphocytes in T lymphocytes	(6.49)	(11.0)	

Table S3. Leukocyte populations in subjects with sarcoidosis and healthy controls. Results are presented as mean±SD and analysed by Student's T-test or Mann-Whitney U test (controls n= min 5, max 21, sarcoidosis patients n= min 5, max 19).