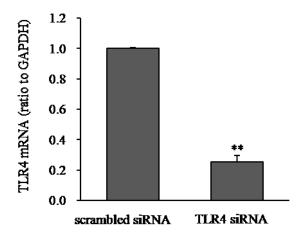
## Induction of pro-inflammatory genes by serum amyloid A1 in human amnion fibroblasts

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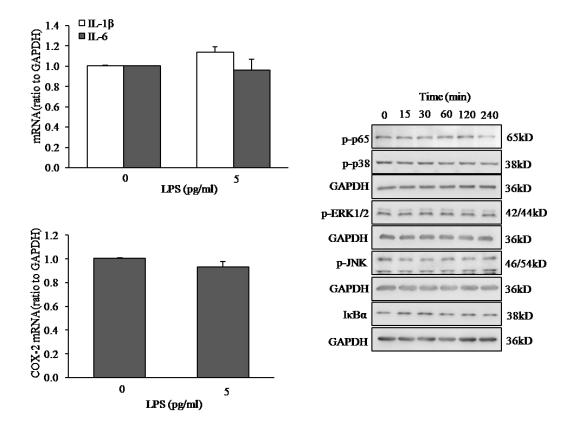
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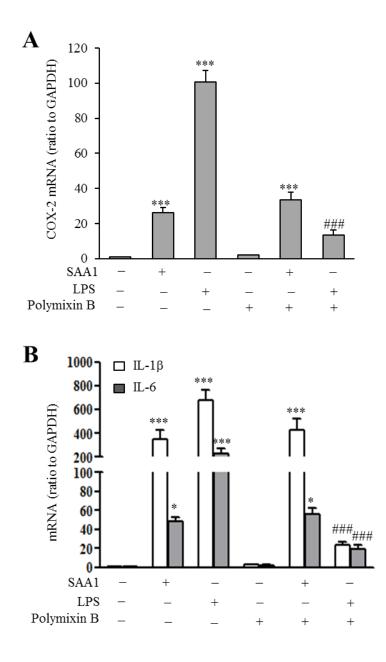
## Supplementary figures and table



Supplementary Figure S1 Efficiency of siRNA-mediated knock-down of TLR4 in human amnion fibroblasts. Data are the mean  $\pm$  SEM. n = 4. Statistical analysis was performed with paired Student's t test. \*\*P<0.01 *vs* scrambled siRNA.



Supplementary Figure S2 (A and B) LPS (5 pg/ml, 24 hours) had no effect on the expression of IL-1 $\beta$ , IL-6 and COX-2 in human amnion fibroblasts. Data are the mean ± SEM. n=3. (C) LPS (5 pg/ml) had no effect on either the abundance of phosphorylated p65, p38, ERK1/2 and JNK or the abundance of I $\kappa$ B $\alpha$ .



**Supplementary Figure S3 (A and B)** LPS inhibitor Polymixin B (25  $\mu$ g/mL, 24 hours) had no effect on SAA1 (10 ng/mL)-induced but blocked LPS (5 ng/mL)-induced expression of COX-2 (A), IL-1 $\beta$  and IL-6 (B) in human amnion fibroblasts. Data are the mean  $\pm$  SEM. n = 3. \*P<0.05, \*\*\*P<0.001 *vs* control (0); ###P<0.001 vs LPS.

Genes	Primers sequence
IL1B	Forward: 5'-CCACCTCCAGGGACAGGATA -3'
	Reverse: 5'-AACACGCAGGACAGGTACAG -3'
IL6	Forward: 5'-CTTCGGTCCAGTTGCCTTCT -3'
	Reverse: 5'-GTGCCTCTTTGCTGCTTTCA -3'
PTGS2	Forward: 5'-TGTGCAACACTTGAGTGGCT -3'
	Reverse: 5'-ACTTTCTGTACTGCGGGTG -3'
TLR4	Forward: 5'-AAAATCCCCGACAACCTCCC-3'
	Reverse: 5'-AGAGGTGGCTTAGGCTCTGA-3'
GAPDH	Forward: 5'-CCCCTCTGCTGATGCCCCCA-3'
	Reverse: 5'-TGACCTTGGCCAGGGGTGCT-3'

Supplementary Table S1 Primer sequences used for qRT-PCR