

Supplementary Information

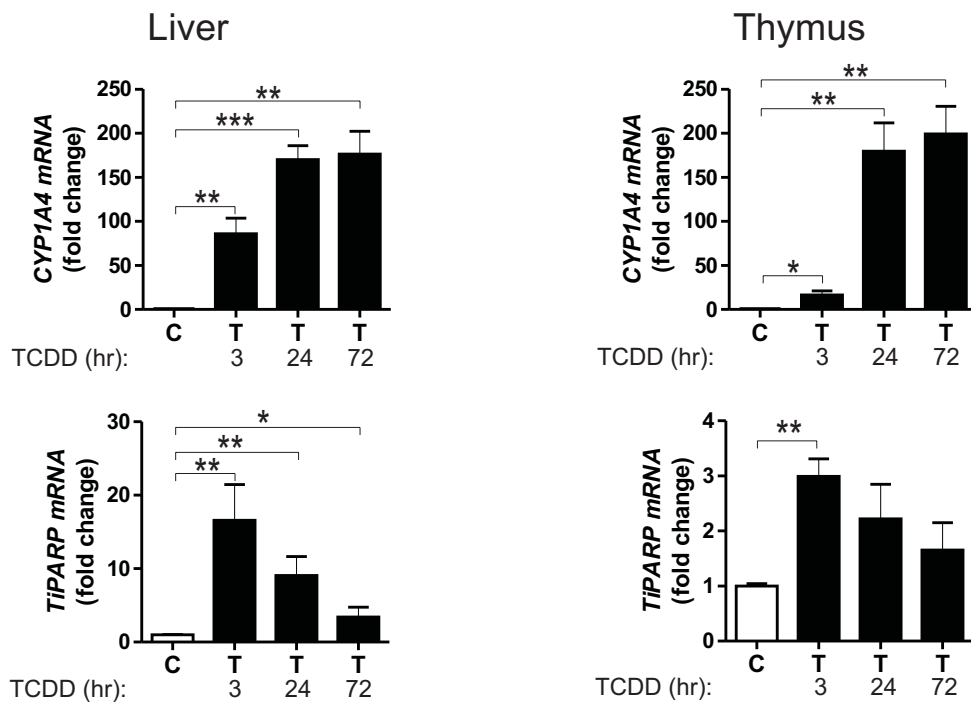
NAD⁺ loss, a new player in AhR biology: prevention of thymus atrophy and hepatosteatosis by NAD⁺ repletion.

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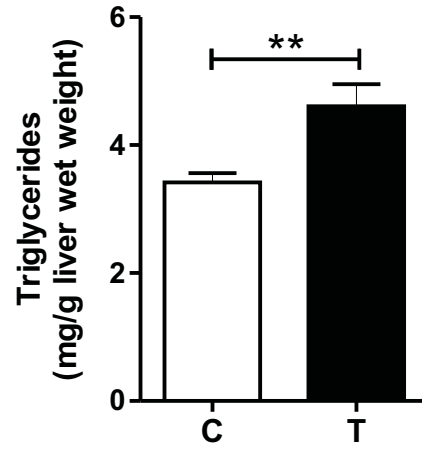
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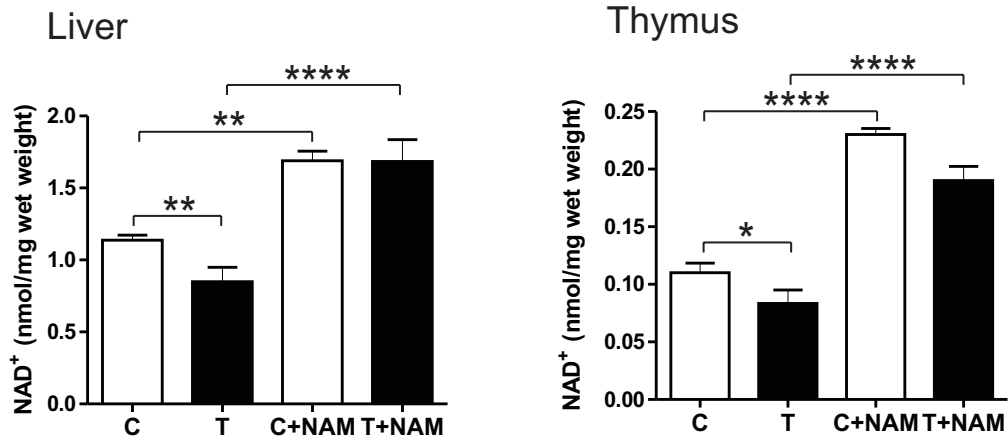
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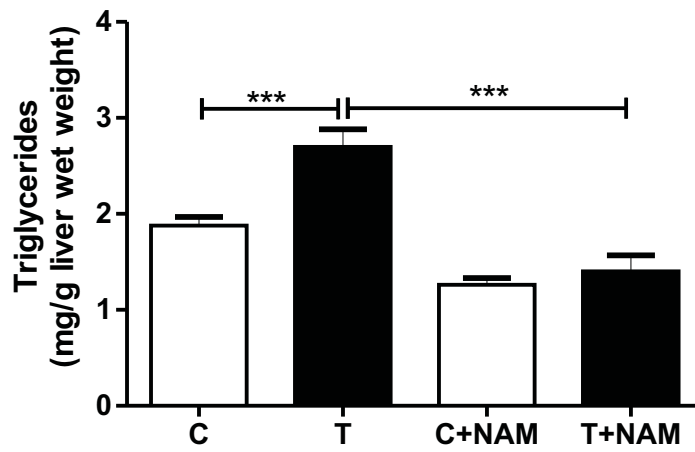
Supplementary Figure S1. TCDD increases *CYP1A4* and *TiPARP* mRNA levels in liver and thymus. Mean fold change in mRNA levels \pm SE for *CYP1A4* and *TiPARP* in livers and thymus glands from CE treated with TCDD or vehicle for 3, 24 and 72 hr (n=3-9 CE per treatment group).



Supplementary Figure S2. TCDD increases hepatic triglycerides. Mean triglyceride levels \pm SE for livers from chick embryos (CE) 72 hr after treatment with TCDD (T) or dioxane (C) (n= 8 CE per treatment group).

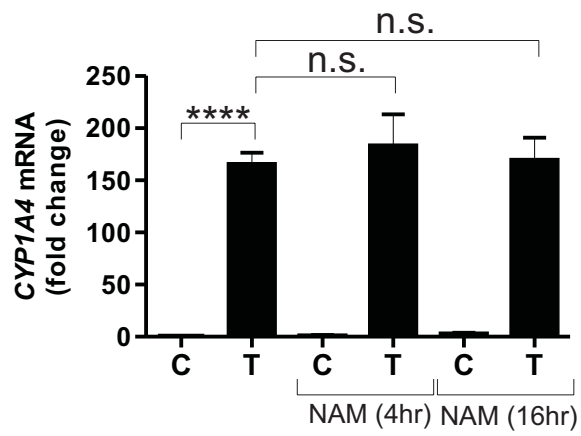


Supplementary Figure S3. A second dose of NAM prolongs NAD⁺ elevation in both thymus and liver. CE were treated with TCDD with or without NAM 24 and 48hr later. NAD⁺ levels at 4 hr after the second administration of NAM are shown. Bar graphs show means \pm SE.

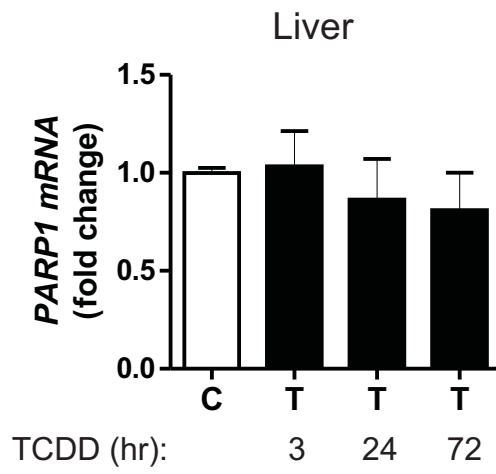


Supplementary Figure S4. NAM administration prevents increased liver triglycerides by TCDD.

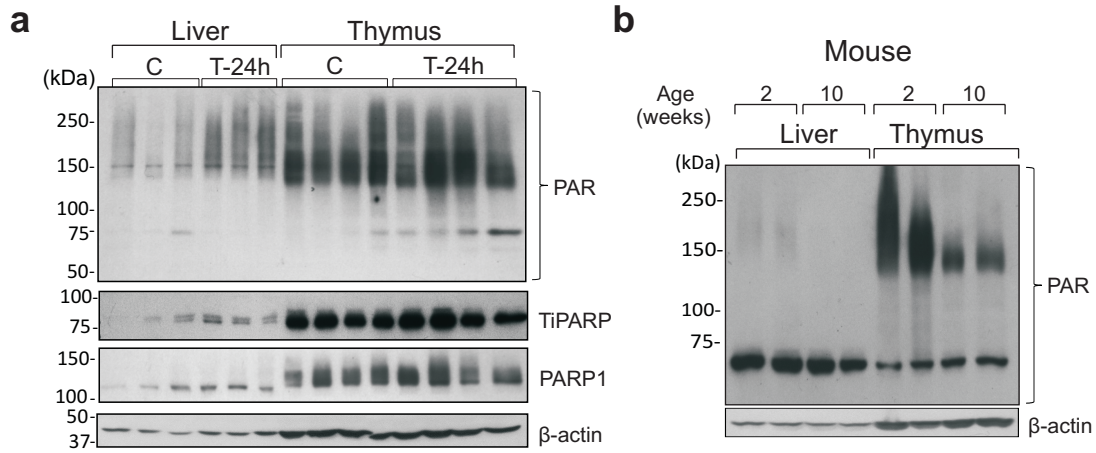
Mean triglyceride levels \pm SE for livers from CE 72 hr after treatment with TCDD (T) or dioxane (C) with or without NAM administration (n=5-10 livers per treatment group).



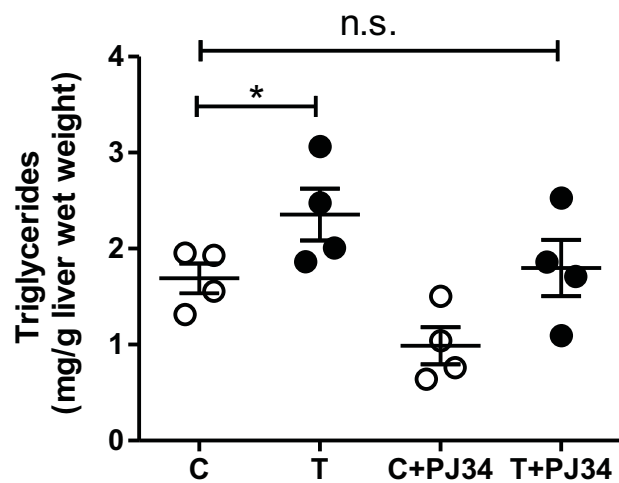
Supplementary Figure S5. NAM administered to CE *in vivo* at 10 mg/egg does not inhibit AhR action. Bar graph shows mean *CYP1A4* mRNA levels \pm SE for livers of CE treated with TCDD for 24 hr with or without NAM for the last 4 or 16 hr (n=3-5 CE per treatment group).



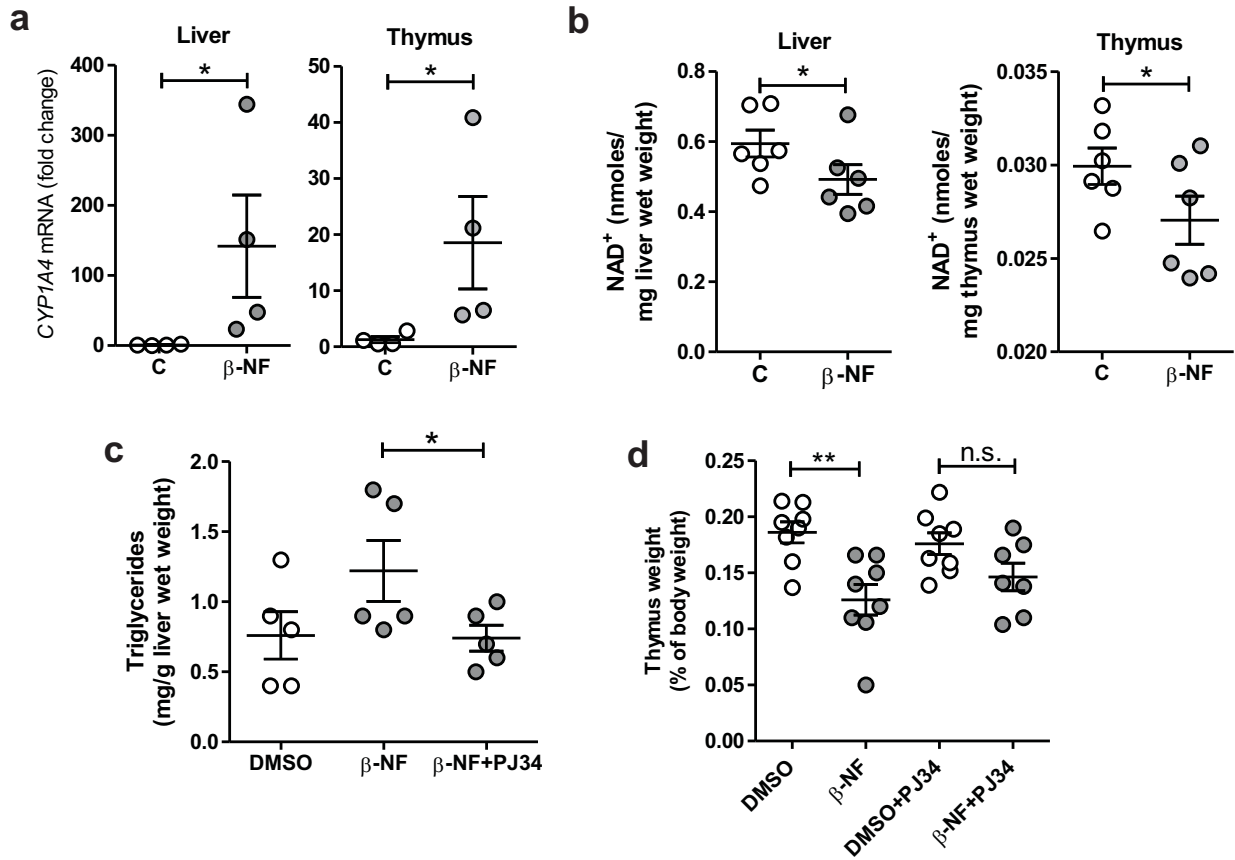
Supplementary Figure S6. TCDD does not affect *PARP1* mRNA levels. Mean *PARP1* mRNA levels \pm SE are shown for livers of 18-day old CE after treatment with TCDD for 3, 24 and 72 hr (n=3-9 individual livers per treatment group).



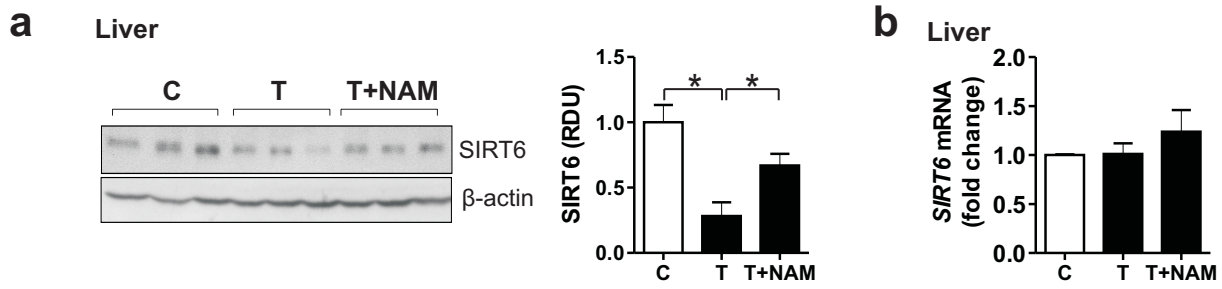
Supplementary Figure S7. Thymus has higher levels of ADP-ribosylation, TiPARP and PARP1 than liver. a. Western blots on homogenates of livers and thymus glands from Control and TCDD-treated CE, on the same nitrocellulose membrane (30 μg protein per lane). **b.** Western blots on homogenates of livers and thymus glands from untreated 2- and 10-week old C57BL/6 mice.



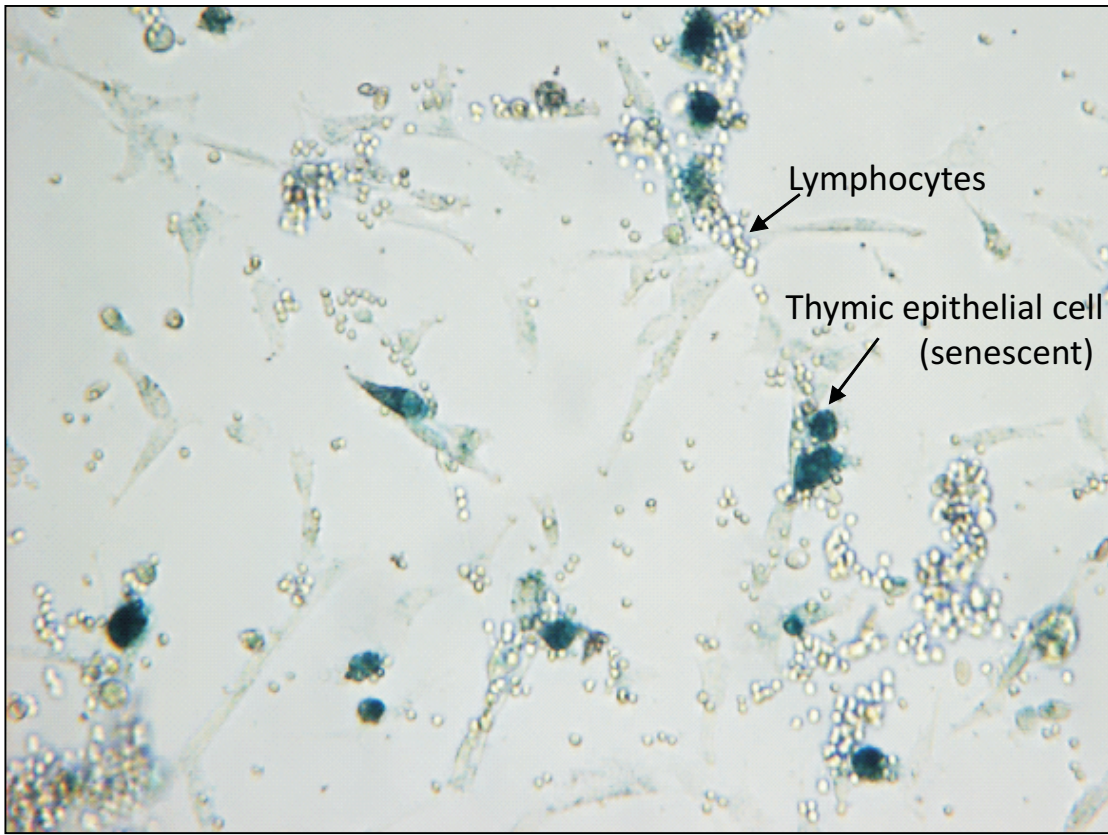
Supplementary Figure S8. PARP inhibition by PJ34 prevents increased liver triglycerides by TCDD. Mean triglyceride levels \pm SE for livers from CE 72 hr after treatment with TCDD (T) or dioxane (C) with or without the PARP inhibitor PJ34 (n=4 CE per treatment group).



Supplementary Figure S9. β -NF increases *CYP1A4* mRNA and decreases NAD⁺ levels in both liver and thymus. β -NF increases hepatic triglycerides and decreases thymus weight, effects prevented by the PARP inhibitor PJ34. CE were treated for 72 hr with β -naphthoflavone (β -NF) (6.7 mg/egg) or the solvent DMSO. **a.** Mean fold change \pm SE for *CYP1A4* mRNA levels in livers and thymus glands; **b.** Means \pm SE for NAD⁺ levels in livers and thymus glands. **c.** and **d.** CE were treated as above with or without the PARP inhibitor PJ34. Means \pm SE for hepatic triglycerides levels and for thymus weights as percentages of body weight are shown.



Supplementary Figure S10. TCDD decreases hepatic Sirt6 protein levels without affecting *Sirt6* mRNA; NAM prevents decrease in Sirt6 levels by TCDD. CE were treated for 24 hr with TCDD or vehicle with or without NAM overnight. **a.** Western blot for Sirt6 protein for controls and CE treated with TCDD or TCDD + NAM (n=4 independent experiments). **b.** Lack of effect of the treatments on *Sirt6* mRNA levels (n=5 independent experiments). Data are expressed as means \pm SE.



Supplementary Figure S11. Thymic epithelial cells but not lymphocytes stain for senescence using SA-Xgal. Cultured epithelial cells from thymus glands of 17-day old CE after CE were treated with TCDD for 48 hr. Senescence (blue staining) was seen only in epithelial cells and not in lymphocytes (smaller round cells).