

**Ligand-mediated cytoplasmic retention of the Ah receptor inhibits
macrophage mediated acute inflammatory responses**

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Table S1. Primers for real-time PCR

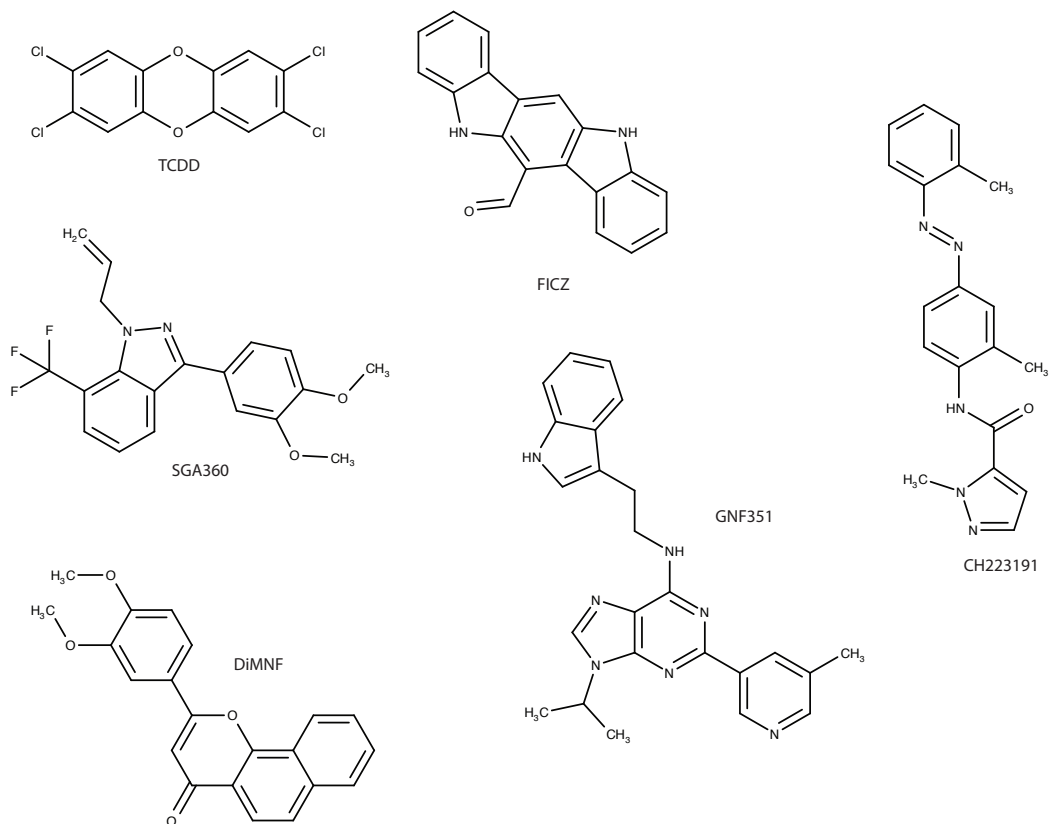
Primer name	Primer sequence
<i>Ahrr</i>	5 '-CAGAAGCGGAGGCTTACCAT-3 ' 5 '-CTCTGTATTGAGGCGGTCCC-3 '
<i>Ccl3</i>	5 '-TACAAGCAGCAGCGAGTACC-3 ' 5 '-TCAGGAAAATGACACCTGGCT-3 '
<i>Ccl4</i>	5 '-CAAGCCAGCTGTGGTATTCCT-3 ' 5 '-AGCAAGGACGCTTCTCAGTG-3 '
<i>Cxcl1</i>	5 '-GCTGGGATTCACCTCAAGAA-3 ' 5 '-TCTCCGTTACTTGGGGACAC-3 '
<i>Cxcl2</i>	5 '-AGACAGAAGTCATAGCCACTCTCAAG-3 ' 5 '-CCTCCTTTCCAGGTCAGTTAGC-3 '
<i>Cyp1a1</i>	5 '-CTCTTCCCTGGATGCCTTCAA-3 ' 5 '-GGATGTGGCCCTTCTCAAATG-3 '
<i>Cyp1b1</i>	5 '-GCTAGCCAGCAGTGTGATGATATT-3 ' 5 '-GGTTAGCCTTGAAATTGCACTGAT-3 '
<i>Gapdh</i>	5 '-AAGAGGGATGCTGCCCTTAC-3 ' 5 '-CGGGACGAGGAAACACTCTC-3 '
<i>Ier3</i>	5 '-AAGATGATGGCGAACAGGAG-3 ' 5 '-GAAGGGTGTCTTACCCTCG-3 '
<i>Il1a</i>	5 '-CCAGAAGAAAATGAGGTCGG-3 ' 5 '-AGCGCTCAAGGAGAAGACC-3 '
<i>Il1b</i>	5 '-AGCTTCCTTGTGCAAGTGTCT-3 ' 5 '-GACAGCCCAGGTCAAAGGTT-3 '
<i>Il6</i>	5 '-ATCCAGTTGCCTTCTTGGGACTGA-3 ' 5 '-TAAGCCTCCGACTTGTGAAGTGGT-3 '
<i>Mrc1</i>	5 '-AGGGACCTGGATGGATGACA-3 ' 5 '-AGGGAAGGGTCAGTCTGTGT-3 '
<i>Ptgs2</i>	5 '-CTGACCCCCAAGGCTCAAAT-3 ' 5 '-ACCTCTCCACCAATGACCTGA-3 '
<i>Rpl13a</i>	5 '-TTCGGCTGAAGCCTACCAGAAAGT-3 ' 5 '-GCATCTTGGCCTTTTTCCGTT-3 '
<i>Tnfa</i>	5 '-GGTGCCTATGTCTCAGCCTCTT-3 ' 5 '-GCCATAGAAGTATGAGAGGGGAG-3 '

Table S2. Primers for CHIP-qPCR

Primer name	Primer sequence
<i>Ptgs2</i>	5 '-CGTCTCTCATTTGCGTGGGTA-3 ' 5 '-CCGCTTAGGCTTTCCCCAA-3 '

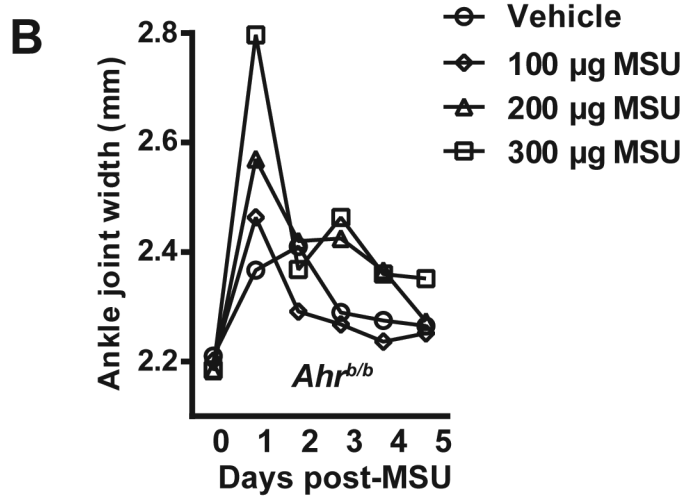
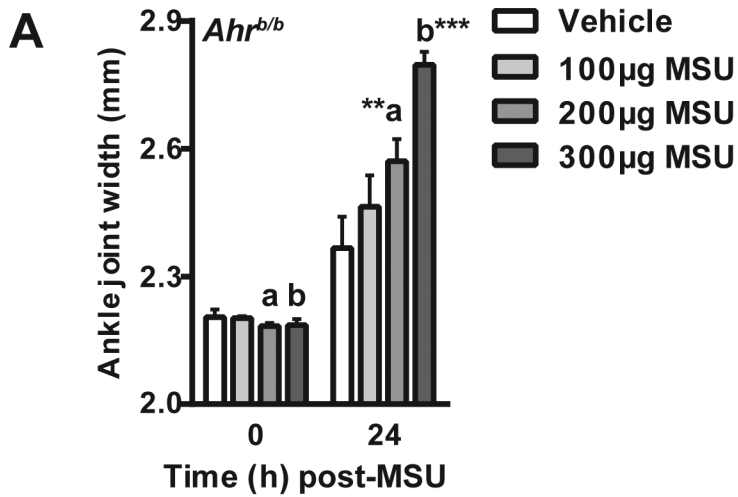
Table S3. Alignment scores

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multiple alignments	293414	240890	261413	335952	257224	305645



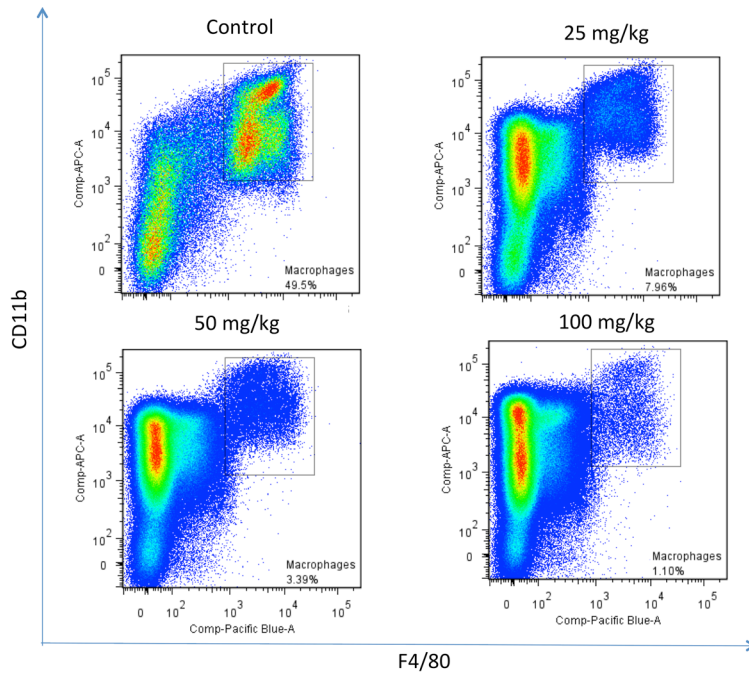
Supplemental Figure 1.

Structures of AHR ligands. TCDD and FICZ are agonists; SGA360 and DiMNF are selective Ah receptor modulators and GNF351 and CH223191 are antagonists.



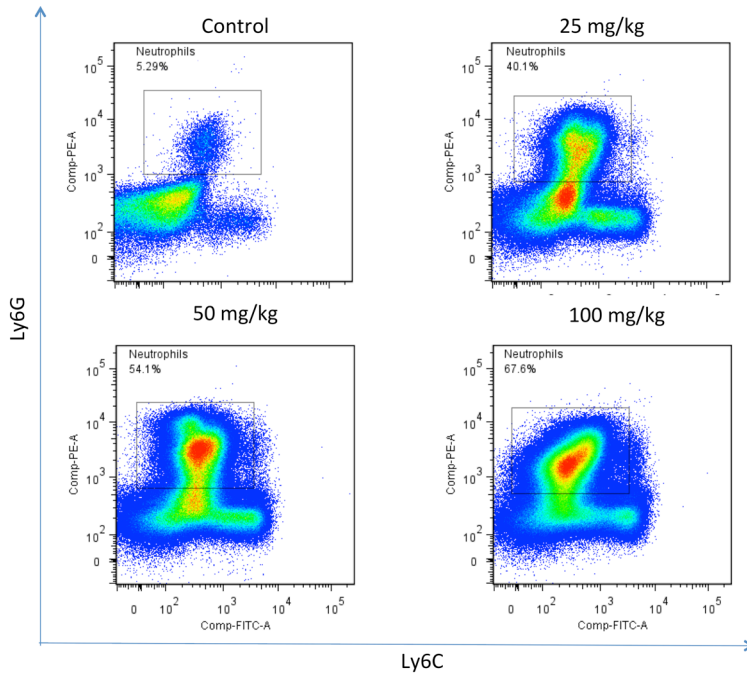
Supplemental Figure 2.

The introduction of monosodium urate crystals into an angle joint induces a dose-dependent increase in joint thickness. A, Wild-type C57BL6/J mice were administered 10 µl PBS or the indicated amount of MSU suspension through injection into the articular space of the ankle joint. Joint edema was assessed 24 h post injection through micrometry. Data represent mean joint width (mm) ± SEM. B, Wild-type C57BL6/J mice were administered 10 µl PBS or the indicated amount of MSU suspension through injection into the articular space of the ankle joint. Joint edema was assessed at 24 h intervals post injection through micrometry. Data represent mean joint width (mm) ± SEM.



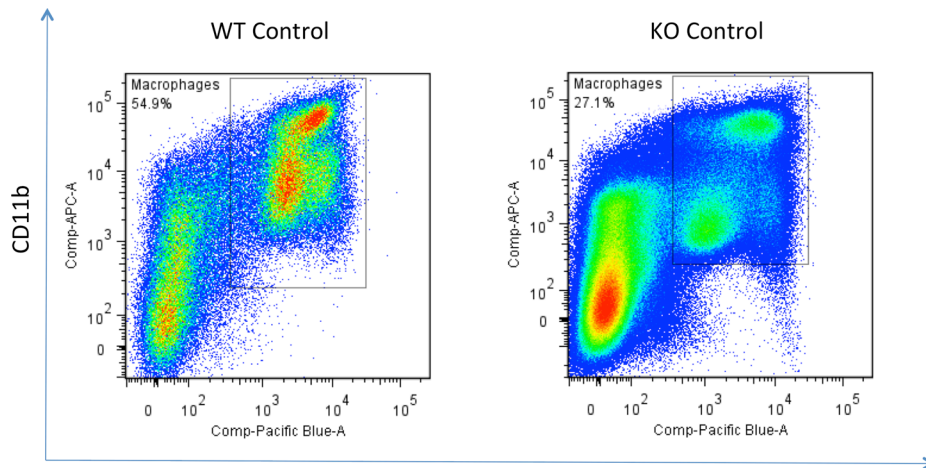
Supplemental Figure 3.

Peritoneal exposure to MSU crystals leads to a dramatic decrease in macrophages in peritoneal wash in a dose dependent manner. C57BL6/J mice were IP injected with MSU crystals after 6 h lavage fluid collected and cells subjected in flow analysis as outlined in methods section.



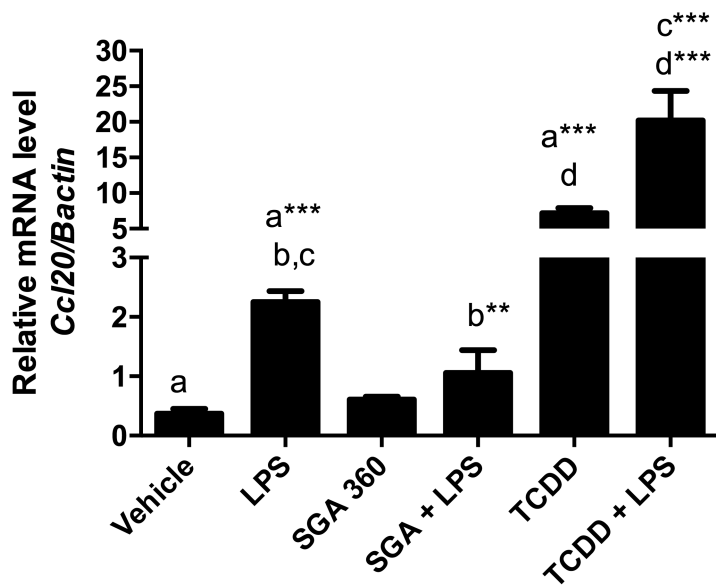
Supplemental Figure 4.

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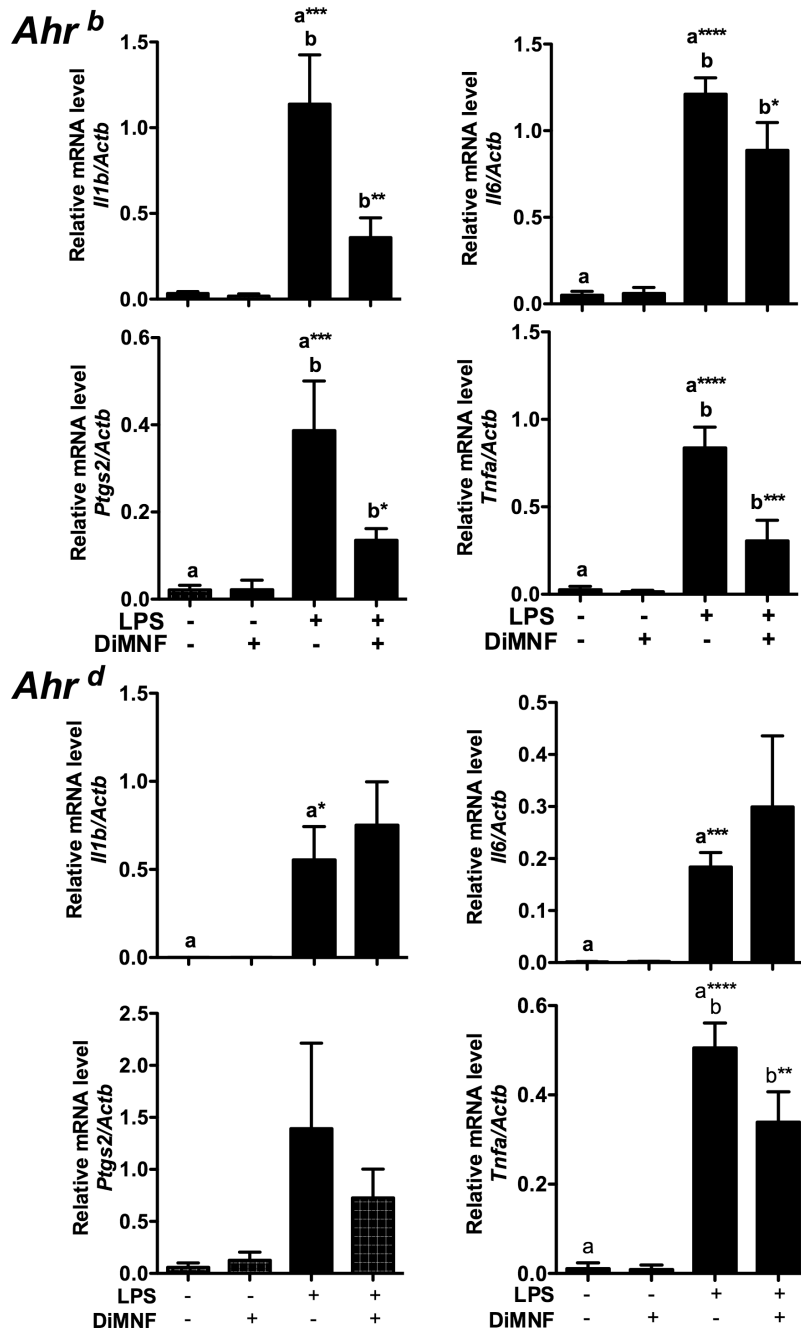
Supplemental Figure 5.

Lack of AHR expression in mice leads to a greatly reduced resident peritoneal macrophage population. Peritoneal lavage fluid from C57BL6/J and *Ahr*^{-/-} mice were subjected in flow analysis as outlined in methods section.



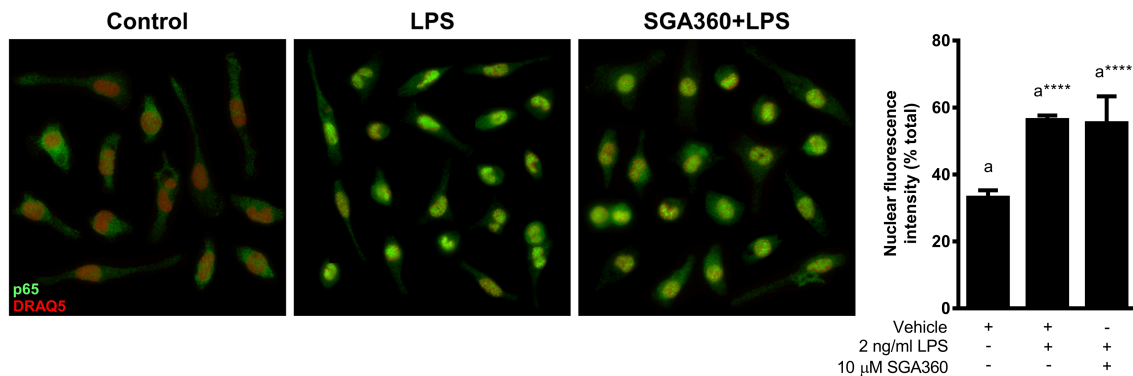
Supplemental Figure 6.

SGA360 represses and TCDD induces *Cc/20* expression in the presence of LPS. Primary peritoneal macrophage cultures were pre-treated for 1 h with AHR ligands prior to exposure to LPS for 5 h. RNA was isolated and qRT-PCR performed and *Cc/20* expression was normalized to *Bactin*.



Supplemental Figure 7.

DiMNF attenuates inflammatory signaling in primary macrophages from C57BL6/J-Ah^b but not in C57BL6/J-Ah^d mice. Primary peritoneal macrophages cultures were treated with DiMNF as indicated, after 1 h cells were treated with LPS or phosphate buffered saline for 4 h. Total RNA was isolated and the relative mRNA levels of *Ptgs2*, *Il1b*, *Il6*, and *Tnfa* were assessed through qRT-PCR. The data represents mean mRNA level normalized to *Actb* mRNA expression \pm SD. (n=3/treatment group; *P<0.05, **P<0.01, ***P<0.001).



Supplemental figure 8.

SGA360 does not inhibit LPS-mediated p65 translation into the nucleus. Primary macrophages cultures were pre-treated with SGA360 for 1 h prior to exposure to LPS, after an additional 1 h cells were fixed; the presence of p65 visualized by indirect immunofluorescent and confocal microscopy. Cells were counterstained with DRAQ5 to visualized nuclei.

METHODS

Indirect immunocytochemistry

Immunolocalization of p65 was performed as described previously [1]. Briefly, cells were blocked with 10% normal goat serum in PBS, incubated with anti-p65 primary antibody (Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA), and secondary antibody, Alexa Fluor® 488 Conjugate anti-rabbit IgG (Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA). Nuclei were counterstained with DRAQ5 (Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA) before mounting with ProLong® Gold Antifade Reagent (Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA). Cells were visualized using a Keyence All-in-One Fluorescence Microscope BZ-9000 Generation II.

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