

Time Post-Infection (min)



Supplemental Figure 1. *S. aureus* induced spontaneous pain time course and representative pictures of *S. aureus* infection. **a.** Spontaneous pain time course in 5-minute intervals produced by *S. aureus* infection (USA300,  $5x10^8$  CFU, n=10 mice/group) vs. Heat-killed (HK) *S. aureus* ( $5x10^8$  CFU), n=8 mice/group and vehicle (PBS), n=9 mice/group. N=3 replicates. Statistical comparison by two-way ANOVA with Tukey's posttest; \*Live *S. aureus* vs PBS; # Live vs HK *S. aureus*. Error bars, mean +/- s.e.m. \*\*\* p<0.001, \*\*p<0.01, \*p<0.05. **b.** Representative pictures of time course of infection over 168 hrs by different doses of *S. aureus* (USA300). Of note, the 2x10<sup>7</sup> CFU *S. aureus* dose induces tissue necrosis but not lower doses.

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Supplemental Figure 2. Stationary phase and exponential phase *S. aureus* both induce spontaneous pain and mechanical hyperalgesia. a. Spontaneous pain quantified over 60 minutes after infection with stationary or exponential phase *S. aureus* (USA300,  $5x10^8$  CFU). There is no difference in spontaneous pain behaviors produced by *S. aureus* at different phases of growth. *n*=7 mice/group. *N*= 3 replicates. *p* values, unpaired t-test. b. Mechanical sensitivity measured by von Frey hairs after infection with exponential or stationary phase *S. aureus* (USA300,  $1x10^6$  CFU). *n*= 12-13 mice/group. N= 1 replicate. Two-way ANOVA, Sidak's post-test. Error bars throughout figure, mean +/- s.e.m.



**Supplemental Figure 3. Darc and ADAM10, cellular receptors for pore-forming toxins are expressed by nociceptor neurons.** FACS purified DRG neuron subsets, including total Nav1.8-cre/TdTomato+ nociceptors, the IB4+Nav1.8-cre/TdTomato+ nociceptor subset, the IB4-Nav1.8-cre/TdTomato subset, and Parv-cre/TdTomato+ proprioceptors, were analyzed for gene expression by microarray analysis (For details, see Chiu et al, 2014). RNA-normalized expression levels of known receptors for *S. aureus* pore-forming toxins are plotted (Error, mean+/-s.e.m.) In general, normalized expression values below 100 are considered absent. *Darc*, one of the receptors for HIgAB and LukED, is expressed by DRG neurons, and *Adam10*, the receptor for HIa, is also expressed in nociceptor neurons. By contrast, *C5ar1, Ccr2, Ccr5, Cxcr1, Cxcr2*, and Cd11b (*Itgam* is the gene name), other leukocidin receptors, are not expressed by neurons.



Supplemental Figure 4. Raster plots and quantification of pore-forming toxin induced neuronal firing. a, c, e Raster plots showing spike activity (vertical lines are individual action potentials) of representative active electrodes from multi-electrode array (MEA) plates treated with pore-forming toxins (PFT), including Hla, PSMa3, or HIgAB. **b**, **d**, **f**. Quantification of DRG neuronal firing before and after indicated PFT addition by measuring the number of active electrodes/plate (>5 spikes/minute) or well-wide firing rate. p-values by paired t-test; Hla, 1 μM (30 μg/mL) or, n=17 electrodes over 5 plates; PSMα3, 10 μM (270 μg/mL), n=41 electrodes over 3 plates; HIgAB, 0.1 µM (3 µg/mL), n= 74 electrodes over 7 plates. All experiments done in triplicate. Error bars, mean +/- s.e.m.



Supplemental Figure 5. Phenol soluble modulins cause dose-dependent neuronal firing in vitro and spontaneous pain in vivo. a. Increasing doses of PSMa3 were added to DRG neurons cultured on MEA plates. An active electrode was defined as 5 spikes/minute or more in any one minute interval (10 minutes total at each dose), n=3 plates. N= 2 replicates. P-values, one-way ANOVA, RM, Tukey's post-test. b. Time course of spontaneous pain quantified in five-minute intervals after injection with HIa (10  $\mu$ g, 17  $\mu$ M), PSMa3 (27  $\mu$ g, 50  $\mu$ M), or HIgAB (10  $\mu$ g, 17  $\mu$ M). PSM $\alpha$ 3 induces immediate spontaneous pain, while HIgAB and HIa spontaneous pain peak around 10 minutes. n= 8-10 mice/group. N= 2-3 replicates per toxin. \*Hla vs PSM $\alpha$ 3 comparison; # HIgAB vs. PSMα3; + HIa vs HIgAB. \*\*\*\**p*<0.0001, \*\*\**p*<0.001, \*\**p*<0.01, \**p*<0.05. **c.** Increasing doses of  $\delta$ -toxin, a member of the PSMs, was injected into mice and spontaneous pain guantified over 10 minutes. (5  $\mu$ M, 50  $\mu$ M, 150  $\mu$ M) *n*=8 mice/group. *N*= 3 replicates. *p*-values by one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-tests. Error bars throughout figure, mean +/- s.e.m.

Acute Pain Timecourse



Supplemental Figure 6. Treatment with pore-forming toxins or live *S. aureus* does not induce significant neuronal lysis at early time points. LDH release from DRG neurons (5000 cells/well) was measured after 15 minutes of incubation with indicated pore-forming toxins or with stationary (Stat.) or exponential phase (Exp.) *S. aureus* (Concentrations used: 10  $\mu$ M (270  $\mu$ g/mL) PSM $\alpha$ 3; 1  $\mu$ M (30  $\mu$ g/mL) HIa; 0.1  $\mu$ M (3  $\mu$ g/mL) HIgAB; 1x10<sup>9</sup> CFU/mL *S. aureus*). Triton-X 100 treated neurons represent 100% lysis. *n*= 3 wells per condition. *N*=1 replicate. *p*-values by one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-tests. Error bars, mean +/-s.e.m.

## **Bacterial Load**



Supplemental Figure 7. The attenuation of spontaneous pain in the absence of HIa ( $\Delta$ *h*Ia) was not due to decreased bacterial expansion. Paw tissue was collected, homogenized, and plated after spontaneous pain analysis at the 60-minute time point post-infection by WT or  $\Delta$ *h*Ia *S. aureus* (USA300, 5x10<sup>8</sup> CFU). Bacterial load recovery was counted and normalized as CFU per mg tissue. Bacterial load did not differ significantly between WT and  $\Delta$ *h*Ia *S. aureus* by unpaired t-test. *n*=5 mice/group. *N*=1 replicate. Error bars, mean +/- s.e.m.





Supplemental Figure 8. S. aureus deficient in  $\alpha$ -hemolysin ( $\Delta hla$ ) shows decreased activation of capsaicin sensitivity nociceptor neurons. a. Representative Fura-2 calcium imaging traces of DRG sensory neurons exposed to live WT or  $\Delta hla$  S. aureus (USA300, 1x10<sup>9</sup> CFU/mL), followed by capsaicin (1µM), and KCI (40mM). b. Representative calcium imaging fields of neurons described in a. c. Percentage of total neurons (KCI responsive, right) or capsaicin+ neurons (left) responsive to WT or to  $\Delta hla$  S. aureus. Percentage of capsaicin+ DRG neurons responsive to  $\Delta hla$  S. aureus is decreased compared to WT S. aureus. p-values by unpaired t-test. n=9 fields over 3 separate experiments. Error bars, mean +/- s.e.m.

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## **Spontaneous Pain**



Supplemental Figure 9. Spontaneous pain during *S. aureus* infection is not due to phenol soluble modulins. Spontaneous pain was quantified over 60 minutes after infection with WT or specific isogenic mutant strains lacking PSM $\alpha$  ( $\Delta psm\alpha$ ), PSM $\beta$  ( $\Delta psm\beta$ ), delta-toxin ( $\Delta hld$ ), or all PSMs ( $\Delta psm\alpha\Delta psm\beta\Delta hld$ ). There was no statistical difference between each mutant strain and WT *S. aureus*. PBS, *n*= 7mice/group; *S. aureus* strains, *n*=11 mice/group. *N*= 4 replicates. *p*-values by one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-tests. Error bars, mean ± s.e.m.



**Mechanical Sensitivity** 2 PBS (n=10) 1 WT (n=10) 0.4 Threshold (g)  $\Delta agr (n=10)$ 0.1 0.04 0.01 0 1 2 3 D 5 6 22, 44,68 Time Post-Infection (hours)

Supplemental Figure 10. The *S. aureus agr* quorum sensing locus contribute to heat or mechanical sensitivity during infection. a, b. Heat and mechanical sensitivity were assayed after infection with WT or  $\Delta agr S.$  aureus (USA300, 1x10<sup>6</sup> CFU). *S. aureus* induced mechanical hyperalgesia, measured by von Frey hairs, and thermal hyperalgesia, measured by the Hargreaves' test, was not significantly different at every time point between WT and  $\Delta agr$  bacteria. *n*= 10 mice/group. *N*= 2 replicates. *p-values* by two-way ANOVA, RM, with Tukey's post-test. Error bars throughout figure, mean +/- s.e.m.

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**Supplemental Figure 11. TRPV1 does not mediate mechanical hyperalgesia during** *S. aureus* infection. **a.** Mechanical hyperalgesia measured by von Frey hairs in RTX vs. vehicle treated mice following *S. aureus* infection  $(1x10^6 \text{ CFU}, \text{ USA300})$ . There is no difference in the induction of mechanical hyperalgesia between the groups as determined by two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-tests. *n*=12 mice/group. *N*= 2 replicates. **b.** Mechanical hyperalgesia during *S. aureus* infection in Trpv1<sup>-/-</sup> mice compared to infected Trpv1<sup>+/-</sup> or Trpv1<sup>+/+</sup> littermates. There are no significant differences in the induction of mechanical hyperalgesia between the groups. *n*=8-11 mice/group. *N*= 3 replicates. *p*-values by two-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. \*\*\*\*, *p*<0.0001; \*\*\*, *p*<0.001; \*\*, *p*<0.01; \*, *p*<0.05. Error bars throughout figure, mean  $\pm$  s.e.m.

## **Mechanical Sensitivity**



Supplemental Figure 12. TRPV1 channels are not necessary for QX-314 to block mechanical sensitivity during *S. aureus* infection. Mechanical sensitivity was measured by von Frey hairs in WT or Trpv1<sup>-/-</sup> mice infected with *S. aureus* (USA300,  $1x10^{6}$  CFU) and treated with either 2% QX-314 or PBS. QX-314 significantly decreases mechanical sensitivity in both WT mice and Trpv1<sup>-/-</sup> mice compared to PBS treated mice of the same genotype. \*Trpv1<sup>-/-</sup> mice: PBS treatment vs. 2% QX-314 treatment; #WT mice: PBS treatment vs. 2% QX-314 treatment; #WT mice: PBS treatment vs. 2% QX-314 treatment. *n*=7 mice (3 females and 4 males)/group. *N*=1 replicate. *p*-values by two-way ANOVA, RM, with Tukey's post-test. \*\*\*\* 0.0001<*p*. Error bars, mean +/- s.e.m.