

Supplementary Information

15d-PGJ₂-loaded nanocapsules ameliorate experimental gout arthritis by reducing pain and inflammation in a PPAR-gamma-sensitive manner in mice

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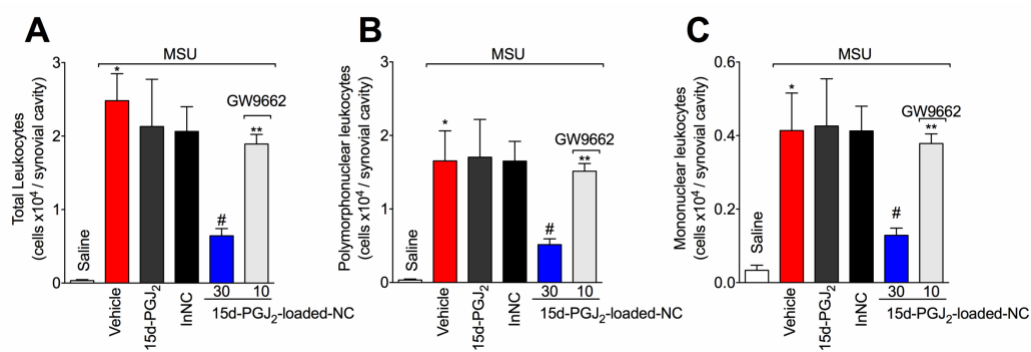
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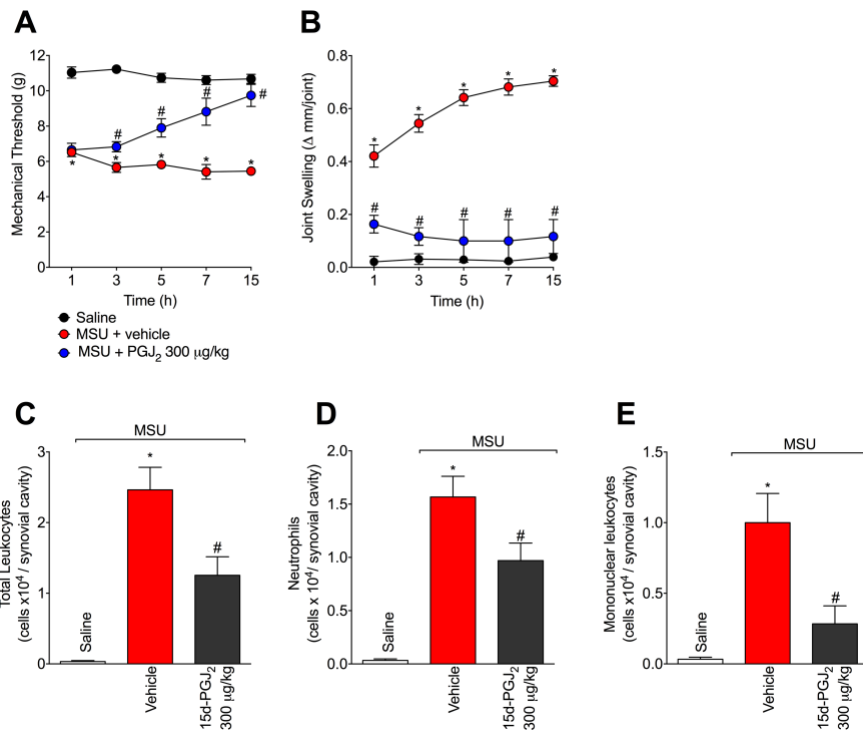
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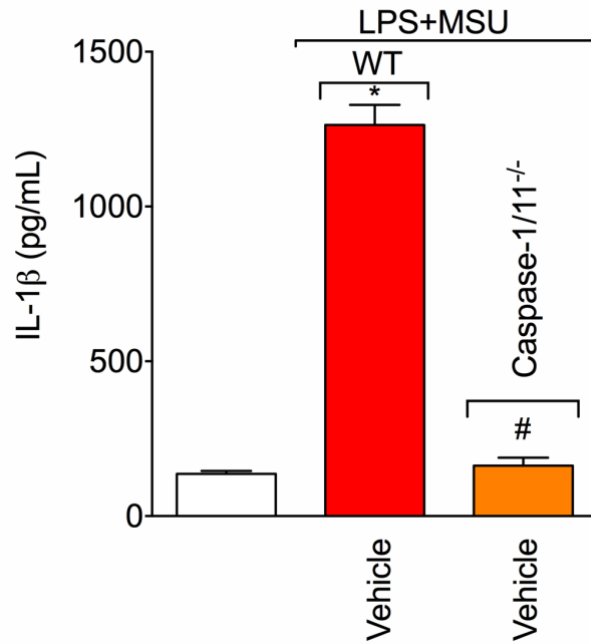
Supplementary Figures



Supplementary Figure 1 (SF1). 15d-PGJ₂-loaded NC reduce MSU-induced leukocyte recruitment 7h post-stimulus in a PPAR- γ -sensitive manner. Seven hours after MSU stimulus, the number of total leukocytes (**A**), neutrophils (**B**) and mononuclear cells (**C**) were determined. Results are expressed as mean \pm SEM, n = 6, two independent experiments (*p < 0.05 vs. control group; #p < 0.05 vs. vehicle mg/kg group, **p < 0.05 vs 15d-PGJ₂-loaded NC).



Supplementary Figure 2 (SF2). Higher dose of non-encapsulated 15d-PGJ₂ inhibits MSU-induced mechanical hyperalgesia and joint swelling. Mice were treated with 15d-PGJ₂ (300 μg/kg) or vehicle 30 minutes before MSU (100 μg/10 μl/knee) stimulus in the femur-tibial joint of mice. Mechanical hyperalgesia (A) and joint swelling (B) were evaluated 1, 3, 5, 7, and 15h after MSU injection and 15h after MSU injection knee joints were collected to determine total leukocytes (C), neutrophil (D) and mononuclear cell counts using Neubauer chamber and stained slices (*p < 0.05 vs. control group; #p < 0.05 vs. vehicle group two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post-test).



Supplementary Figure 3 (SF3). MSU-induced IL-1 β maturation *in vitro* depends on caspase-1. IL-1 β concentration (ELISA) in WT and caspase-1/11^{-/-} BMDM culture supernatants primed with LPS (500 ng/ml, *i.e.* signal 1) for 3h and stimulated with MSU (450 μ g/ml, *i.e.* signal 2) followed by 5h incubation. Results are expressed as mean \pm SEM, n = 6 wells per group per experiment, two independent experiments (*p < 0.05 vs. control group; #p < 0.05 vs. WT vehicle group, one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post-test).