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Our web collection on [statistics for biologists](#) contains articles on many of the points above.

Software and code

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Data collection

qPCR data collected in CFX96 thermocycler, BioRad.
Protein chromatograms acquired in AKTA purifier (GE HealthCare).
Leica Confocal SP8 microscope for image acquisition.
Isothermal titration calorimetry data acquired in Microcal VP-ITC (Malvern).
Crystal data collected at the Advanced Photon Source, Argonne National Laboratory equipped with 10Hz Rayonix MX300HS detector.
Platelet aggregation data collected in a Chrono-Log Corporation aggregometer.
Absorbance data collected using a VersaMax microplate reader (Molecular Devices) and a Cytation 5 image reader (Biotek).
Mass spectrometry data collected in Orbitrap Fusion mass spectrometer (ThermoFisher Scientific).

Data analysis

CFX Maestro software version 1.1 (BioRad) for qPCR analysis.
Unicorn software version 5.3.1 (GE HealthCare) for HPLC chromatogram analysis.
Imaris software version 9.2.1 data analysis and Fiji ImageJ version 1.52n for post processing of immunofluorescence images.
Isothermal titration calorimetry data analyzed Microcal Origin software version 7 (OriginLab).
Crystal structure analysis done using Phaser version 2.8.3, Coot version 0.8.9.2, Phenix version 1.17.1-3660, PyMOL version 1.7.4, and UCSF Chimera version 1.13.1.
Graphs were prepared using GraphPad Prism software version 8.02.
PEAKS v10 (Bioinformatics Solutions Inc) for Mass spectrometry analysis.
CD-HIT software was used for clustering amino acid sequences for protein alignments.
Clustal Omega software (EMBL) was used for multiple protein alignments.
BoxShade server version 3.1 (Expasy Bioinformatics Resource Portal) was used for refining protein alignments.

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Data

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	No statistical method were used to pre-determine the sample size. Samples sizes were selected based on previous experience to obtain reproducibility. For gene expression analysis, each sample consisted of 10 specimens, two biological and two technical replicates were analyzed in a similar manner as in Ribeiro et al. PLoS One 11, e0151400 (2016). For protein quantification in the salivary gland and saliva, 15 samples of individual salivary glands and three biological triplicates of saliva collected from 5 mosquitoes were used. For immunofluorescence experiments, 1 to 2 glands were imaged per experimental group of the salivary glands per experiment. For binding and platelet aggregation at least two experiments were assayed. For ADP determination, biological and technical duplicates were used. For tail vein bleeding assay, 6 animals were used per group, except group 2.5 μ M of protein CxD7L2 that had 5 animals. For mass spectrometry, 3 biological replicates were analyzed independently.
Data exclusions	No data were excluded from the analyses.
Replication	Experimental findings were reliably reproduced in multiple independent experiments as indicated throughout the manuscript. qPCR study was performed twice. Protein quantification was performed in one experiment with a large number of samples. Western blots were repeated two times with different batches of proteins and antibody preparations giving consistent results. For immunofluorescence experiments, four independent experiments were performed. For ITC and platelet aggregation studies, measurements were repeated at least twice giving similar binding parameters. For ADP determination, one experiment was performed. For tail vein bleeding assay, one experiment with 41 mice was done. Mass spectrometry data were performed once in triplicates
Randomization	Salivary gland samples were randomly distributed for immunolocalization experiments. For tail vein bleeding assay, all animals used in the study were pooled from different cages and were randomly distributed into control and experimental groups. For the rest of the experiments randomization does not apply.
Blinding	The investigators were not blinded to the allocation during the experiments or to the outcome assessment. The data presented did not require the use of blinding.

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Materials & experimental systems

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Methods

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> ChIP-seq
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Flow cytometry
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Antibodies

Antibodies used

For Western blot and immunolocalization of CxD7 proteins, antibodies either against *Culex quinquefasciatus* salivary gland extract, CxD7L1, or CxD7L2 were raised in rabbits in Noble Life Science facility according to their standard protocol (<https://noblelifesci.com/custom-polyclonal-antibodies/>), as described in methods section.

For ELISA and Western Blot, goat anti-rabbit conjugated to alkaline phosphatase (Sigma Cat # A3687). For immunofluorescence and confocal imaging, anti-rabbit IgG Alexa Fluor 594 (Thermo Fisher Cat # A11012) and Phalloidin Alexa 488 (Invitrogen cat. num.: A12379) were used.

Validation

The antibody validation of anti-rabbit conjugated to alkaline phosphatase, anti-rabbit IgG Alexa Fluor 594, and Phalloidin Alexa 488 are provided on supplier websites:

<https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/catalog/product/sigma/a3687?lang=en®ion=US>

<https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Goat-anti-Rabbit-IgG-H-L-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-11012>.

<https://www.thermofisher.com/order/catalog/product/A12379#/A12379>

For the validation of our primary antibodies raised in rabbits (anti-CxD7L1 and anti-CxD7L2 IgG) three dilutions were tested: 10 µg/mL, 1 µg/mL, and 0.5 µg/mL. For standardization of the ELISA for the protein quantification, the primary antibodies were tested at 10 µg/mL, 1 µg/mL, 0.5 µg/mL, and 0.1 µg/mL.

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)

Human embryonic kidney cells (HEK293) were purchased from ATCC (Cat# CRL-10852)

Authentication

It has been authenticated using STR by ATCC.

Mycoplasma contamination

The cell line was not tested for Mycoplasma contamination.

Commonly misidentified lines
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No commonly misidentified cell line was used.

Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals

16 to 20-week-old female Balb/c mice were kept at 72 ± 3 °F, 30-70% humidity and a light/dark cycle of 14 hours of light and 10 hours of dark.

Culex quinquefasciatus mosquitoes were used in this study. Male and female adult mosquitoes were used for gene expression analysis (0-2 days old). For salivary gland collection, 4 to 7-day old female adult mosquitoes were used.

Wild animals

The study did not involve wild animals.

Field-collected samples

The study did not involve field-collected samples.

Ethics oversight

Public Health Service Animal Welfare Assurance #A4149-01 guidelines were followed according to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), National Institutes of Health (NIH) Animal Office of Animal Care and Use (OACU). These studies were carried out according to the NIAID-NIH animal study protocols (ASP) approved by the NIH Office of Animal Care and Use Committee (OACUC), with approvals ID ASP-LMVR3 and ASP-LMVR102.

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Human research participants

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Population characteristics	Healthy donors, males or females of unknown age that had not taken antiinflammatory drugs or aspirin for a week before the blood donation.
Recruitment	Research blood donors provide written informed consent, and platelets were de-identified prior to distribution.
Ethics oversight	National Cancer Institute Institutional Review Board (NCI IRB) approved NIH protocol 99-CC-0168, "Collection and Distribution of Blood Components from Healthy Donors for In Vitro Research Use."

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