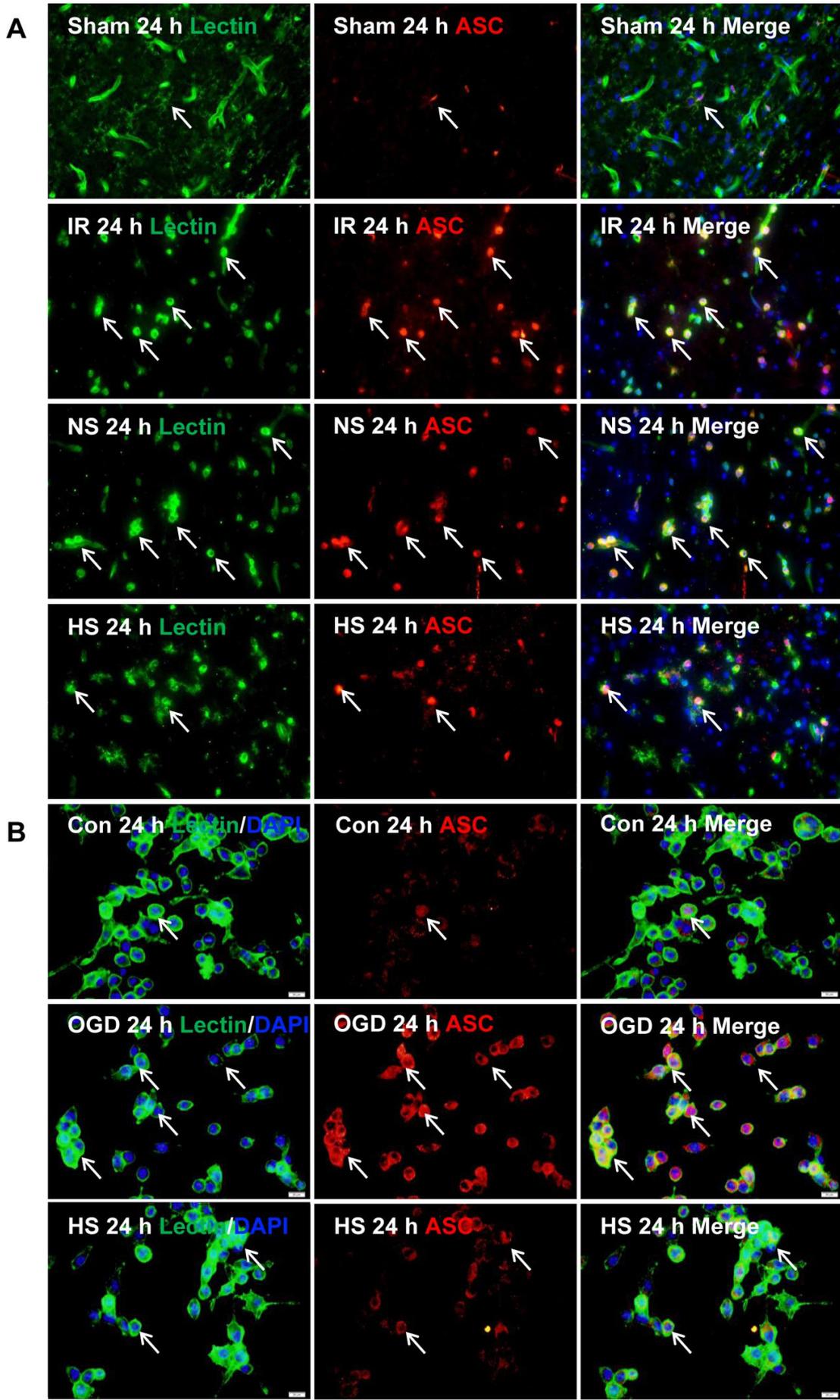
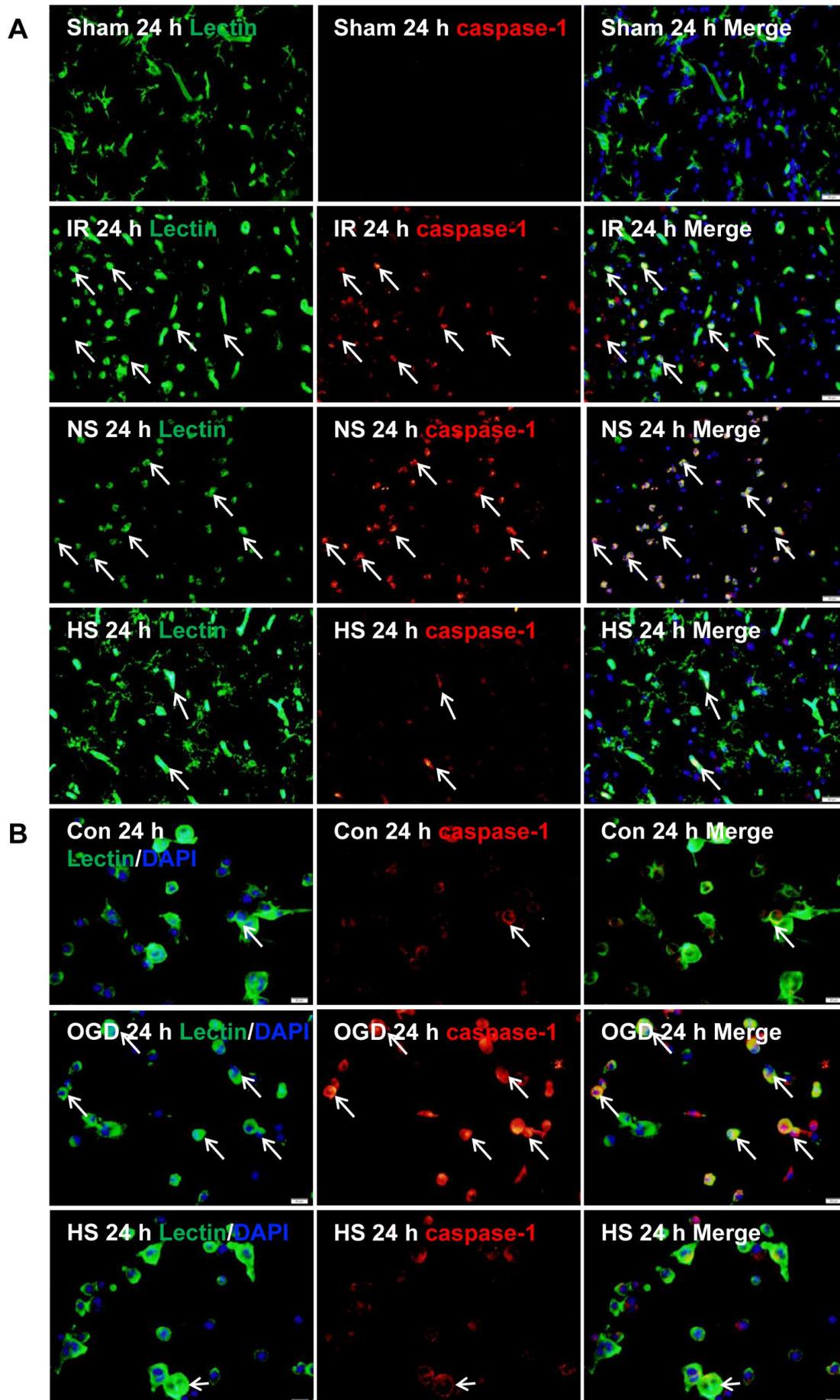


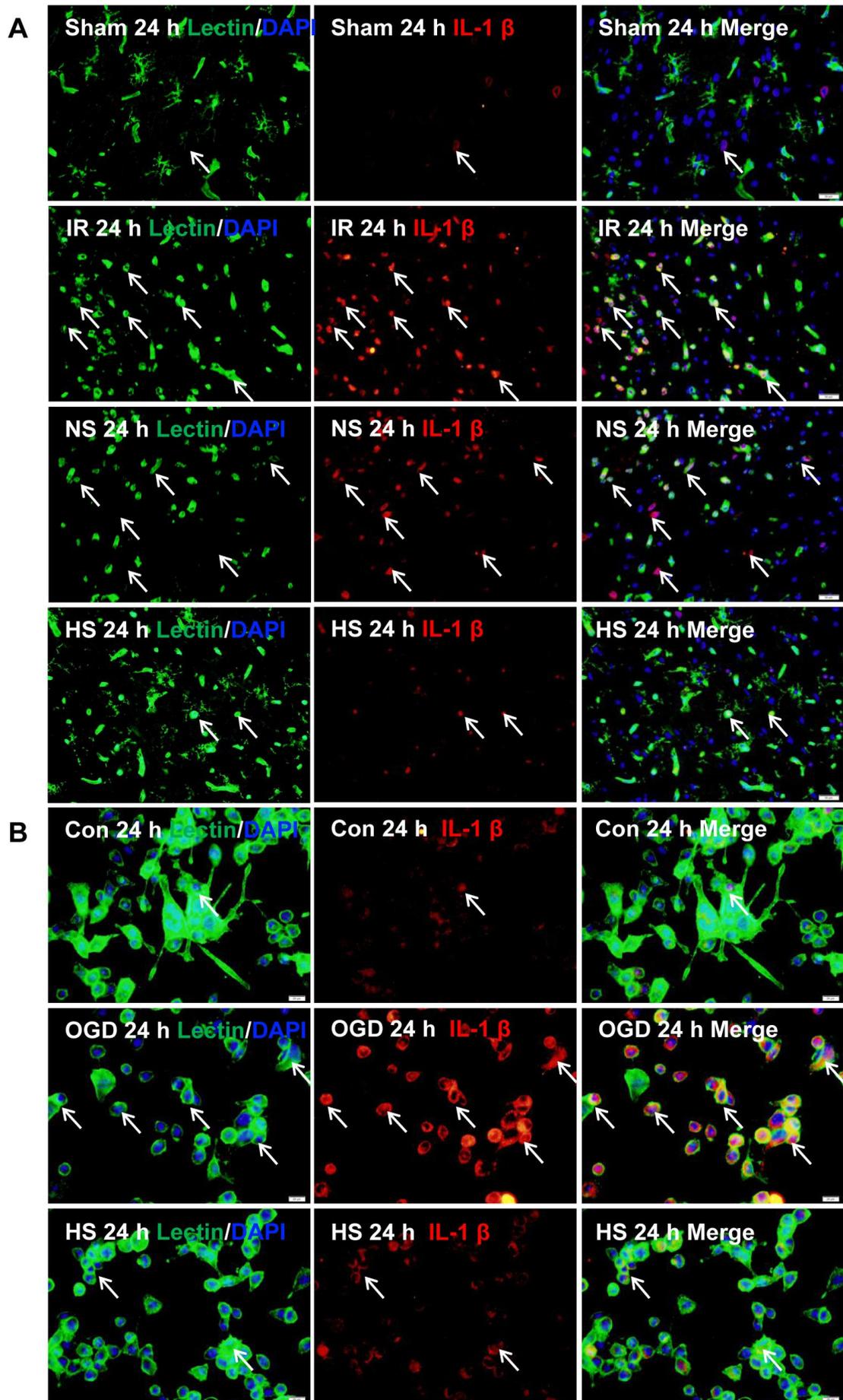
**Supplementary Figure 1** HS downregulates NLRP3 protein expression in microglia in ischaemia-reperfusion or hypoxia-reoxygenation as detected by immunofluorescence. The immunofluorescence images (A) show that compared with that in the sham group, NLRP3 protein expression (red) in lectin-positive microglia (green) in the peri-ischaemic brain tissue was markedly enhanced in the IR and NS groups 24 h after reperfusion, but its expression declined 24 h after HS treatment. B. Likewise, the *in vitro* NLRP3 protein expression (red) in lectin-positive BV-2 microglial cells (green) was obviously increased at 24 h in the OGD group compared with that in the control group; however, its expression decreased after incubation with 80 mM HS for 24 h. Scale bars: 20  $\mu$ m. DAPI-blue. n=3 for each group.



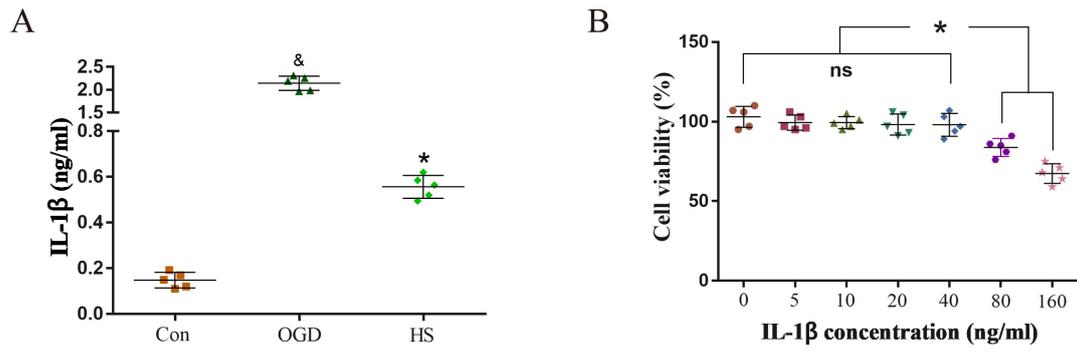
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**Supplementary Figure 3** HS downregulates caspase-1 protein expression in microglia in ischaemia-reperfusion or hypoxia-reoxygenation as detected by immunofluorescence. The immunofluorescence images (A) show that compared with that in the sham group, caspase-1 protein expression (red) in lectin-positive microglia (green) in the peri-ischaemic brain tissue was markedly enhanced in the IR and NS groups 24 h after reperfusion, but its expression declined 24 h after HS treatment. B. Likewise, the *in vitro* caspase-1 protein expression (red) in lectin-positive BV-2 microglial cells (green) was obviously increased at 24 h in the OGD group compared with that in the control group; however, its expression was decreased after incubation with 80 mM HS for 24 h. Scale bars: 20  $\mu$ m. DAPI-blue. n=3 for each group.

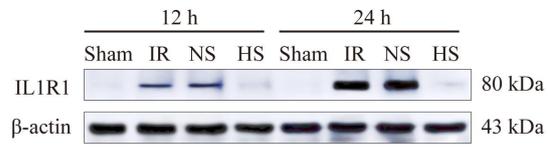


**Supplementary Figure 4** HS downregulates IL-1 $\beta$  protein expression in microglia in ischaemia-reperfusion or hypoxia-reoxygenation as detected by immunofluorescence. Immunofluorescence images (A) show that compared with that in the sham group, IL-1 $\beta$  protein expression (red) in lectin-positive microglia (green) in the peri-ischaemic brain tissue was markedly enhanced in the IR and NS groups 24 h after reperfusion, but its expression declined 24 h after HS treatment. B. Likewise, the *in vitro* IL-1 $\beta$  protein expression (red) in lectin-positive BV-2 microglial cells (green) was obviously increased at 24 h in the OGD group compared with that in the control group; however, its expression was decreased after incubation with 80 mM HS for 24 h. Scale bars: 20  $\mu$ m. DAPI-blue. n=3 for each group.

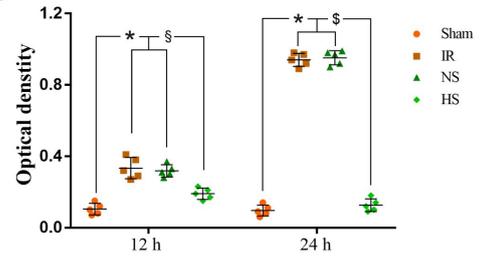


**Supplementary Figure 5** HS downregulates IL-1 $\beta$  protein expression in microglia by ELISA, and the effect of IL-1 $\beta$  on activity of astrocytes. A. The IL-1 $\beta$  levels in OGD group was much higher than the control group (&P < 0.05), but after HS treatment, the levels decreased significantly (\*P < 0.05). The values represent the means  $\pm$  SD, n=5. B. Appropriate concentrations of IL-1 $\beta$  were detected by the CCK-8 (cell counting kit-8) assay. The viability of TNC1 astrocytes decreased significantly when incubated with IL-1 $\beta$  at a dose exceeding 40 ng/mL. ELISA, enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay.

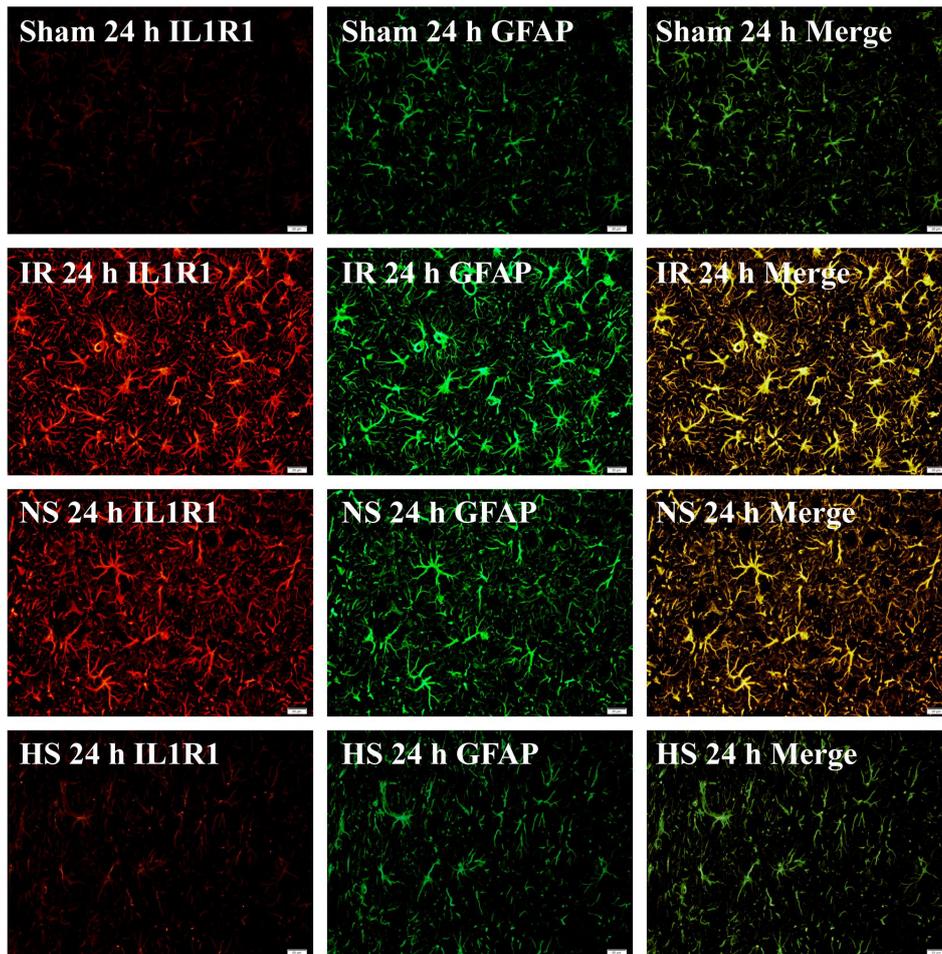
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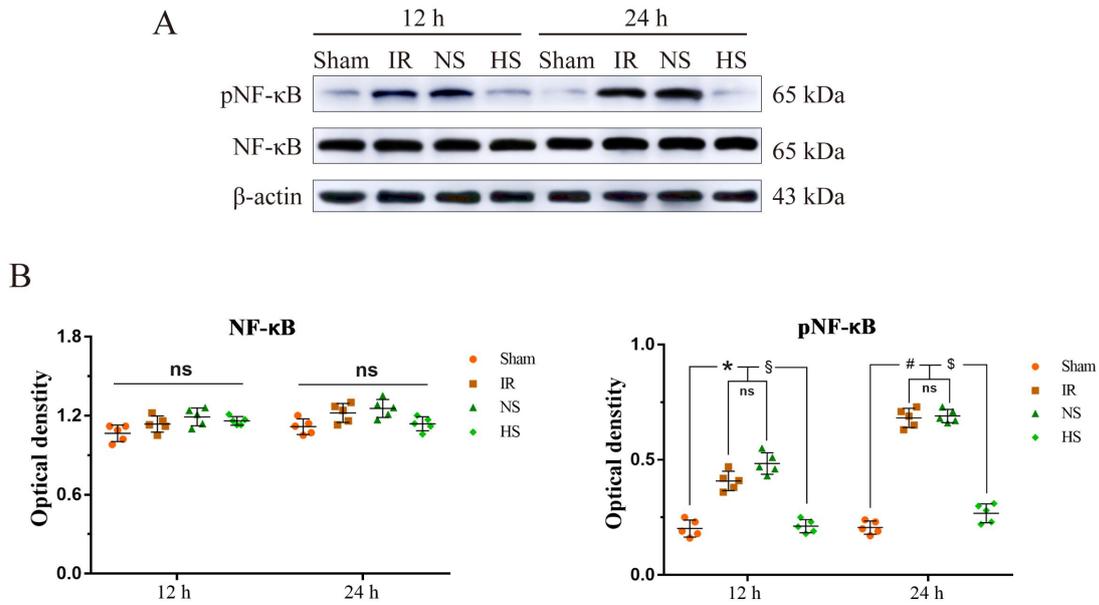
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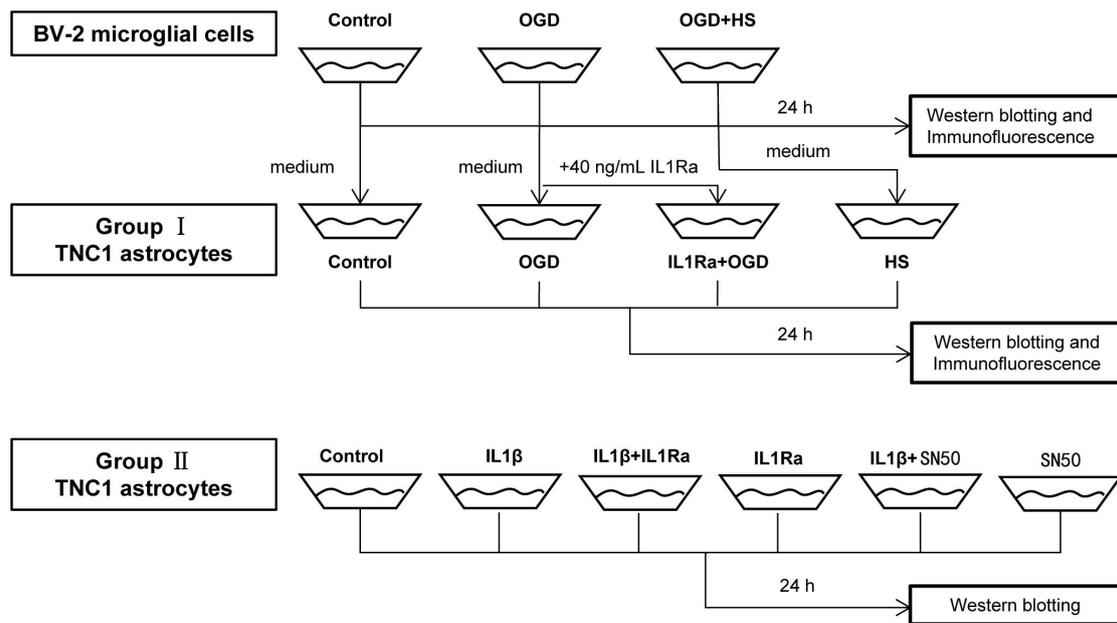
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**Supplementary Figure 6** IL1R1 protein expression in the astrocytes of the peri-ischaemic brain tissue. Panel A shows the IL1R1 (80 kDa) and  $\beta$ -actin (43 kDa) immunoreactive bands detected by the appropriate primary antibodies in the astrocytes of the peri-ischaemic brain tissue at 12 h and 24 h in different groups, respectively. The bar graph in B shows the downregulation of IL1R1 protein expression at 12 h and 24 h in the HS group compared with the protein expression in the IR and NS groups, respectively ( $^{\$}P<0.05$  and  $^{\&}P<0.05$  versus the IR and NS groups). The values represent the means  $\pm$  SD, n=5. Panel C shows IL1R1 immunofluorescence staining (red) in GFAP-positive astrocytes (green) in different groups. Note the colocalized expression of IL1R1 and GFAP in the astrocytes. Scale bars in panel A: 20  $\mu$ m. n=3 for each group.

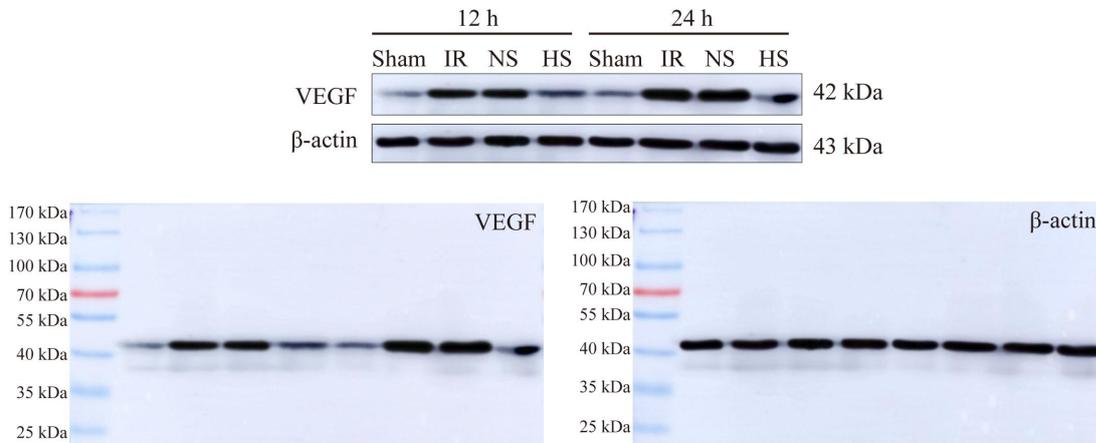


**Supplementary Figure 7** pNF-κBp65 protein expression in the astrocytes of the peri-ischaemic brain tissue. Panel A shows the NF-κBp65 and pNF-κBp65 (65 kDa) and β-actin (43 kDa) immunoreactive bands detected by the primary antibody in the astrocytes of the peri-ischaemic brain tissue at 12 h and 24 h in different groups, respectively. The bar graph in B shows that NF-κBp65 protein expression was not different in each group; however, pNF-κBp65 protein expression at 12 h and 24 h in the HS group was upregulated compared with that in the IR and NS groups ( $^{\$}P < 0.05$  and  $^{\&}P < 0.05$  versus IR group and NS group). The values represent the means  $\pm$  SD,  $n=5$  for each group; ns: non-significant,  $P > 0.05$ .

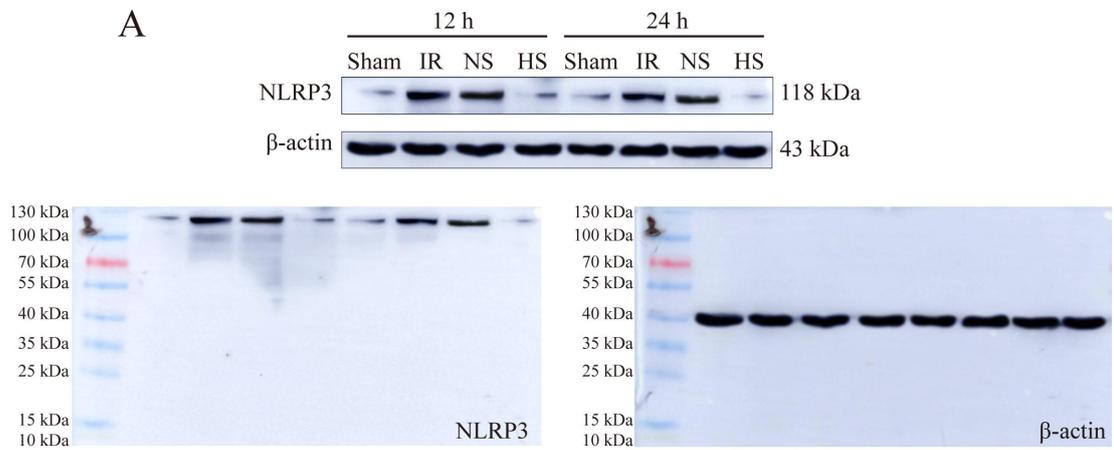


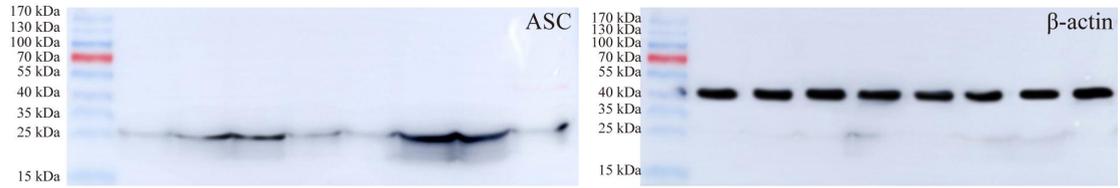
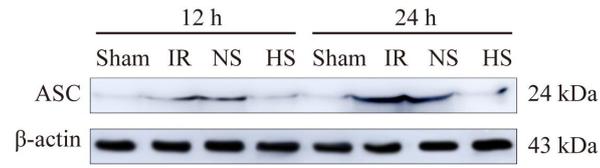
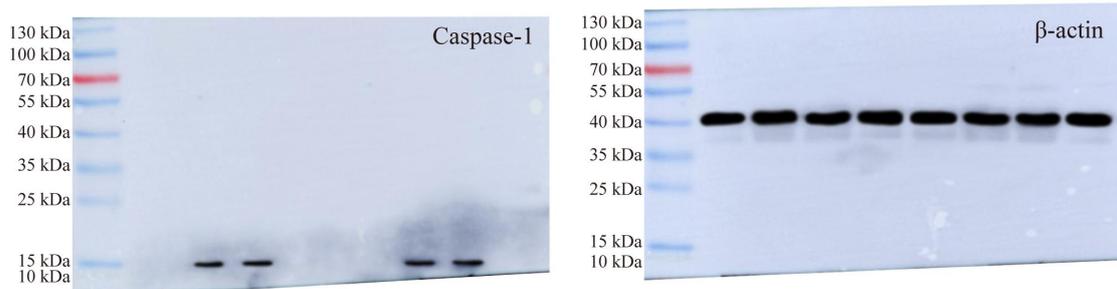
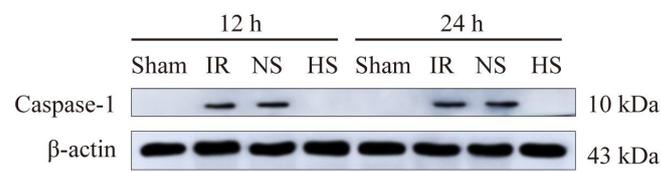
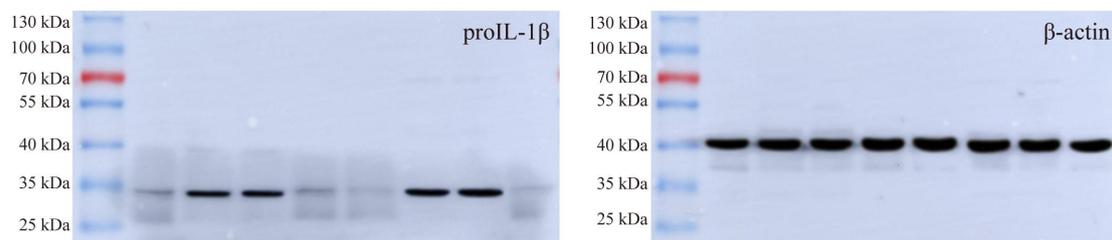
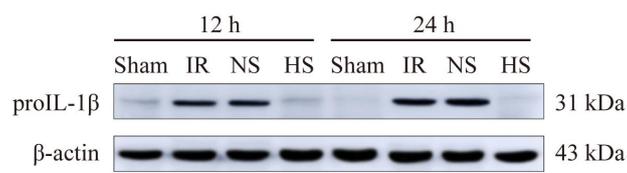
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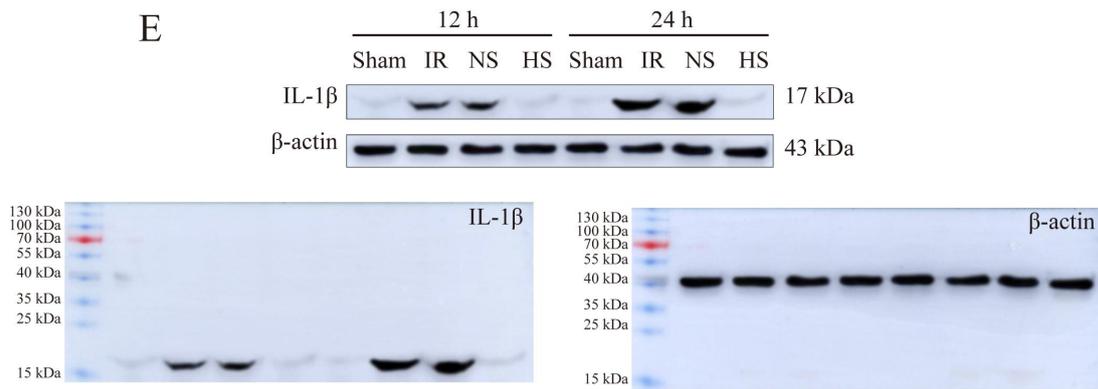
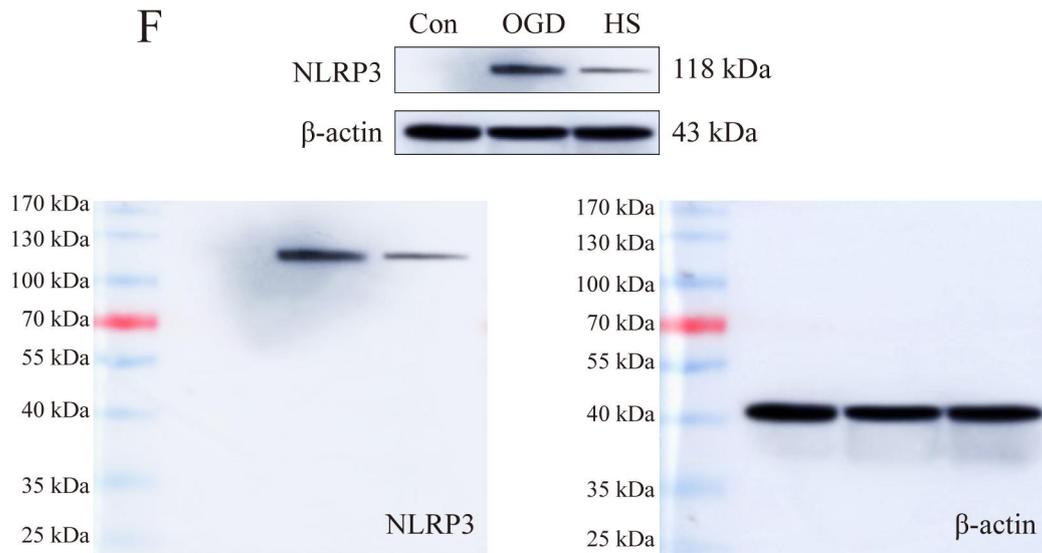
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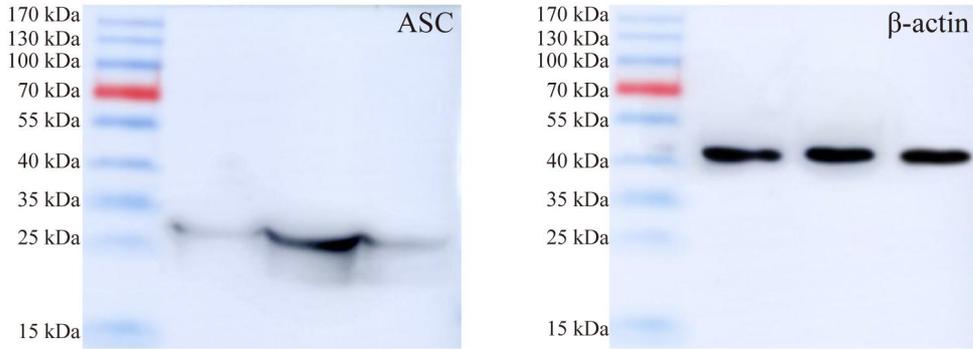
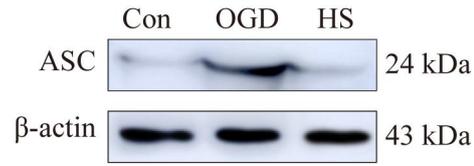
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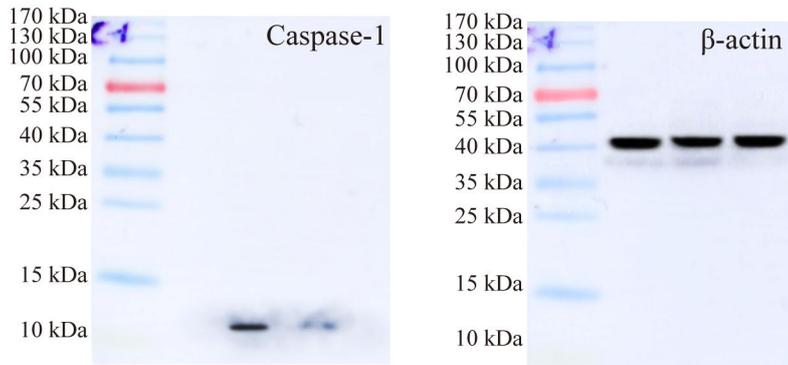
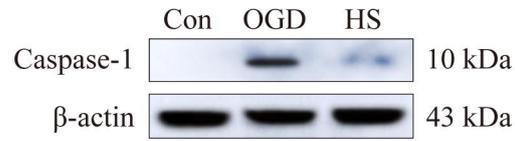
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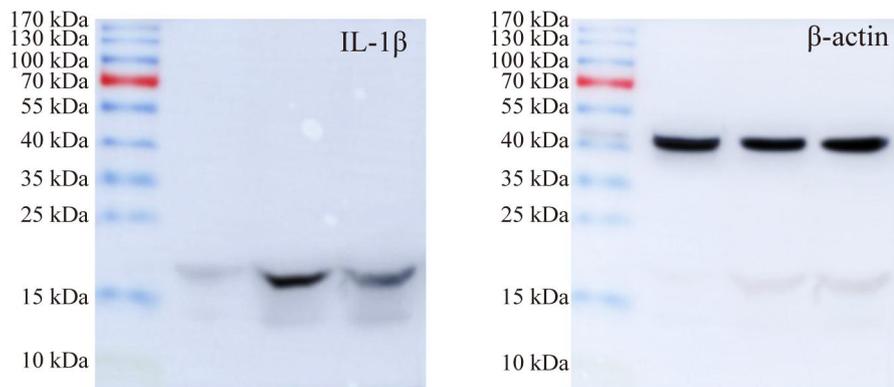
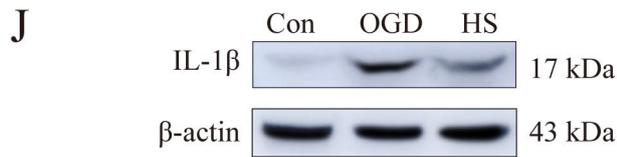
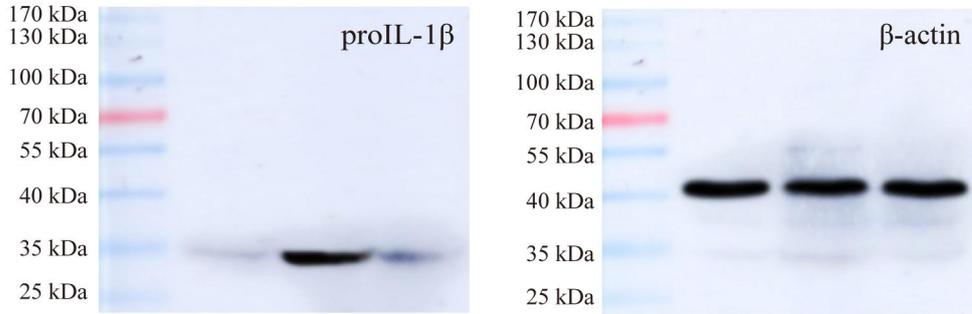
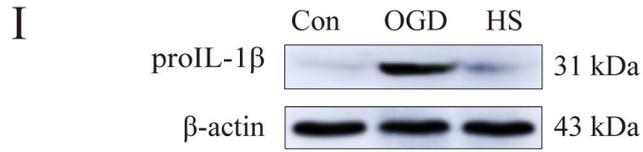
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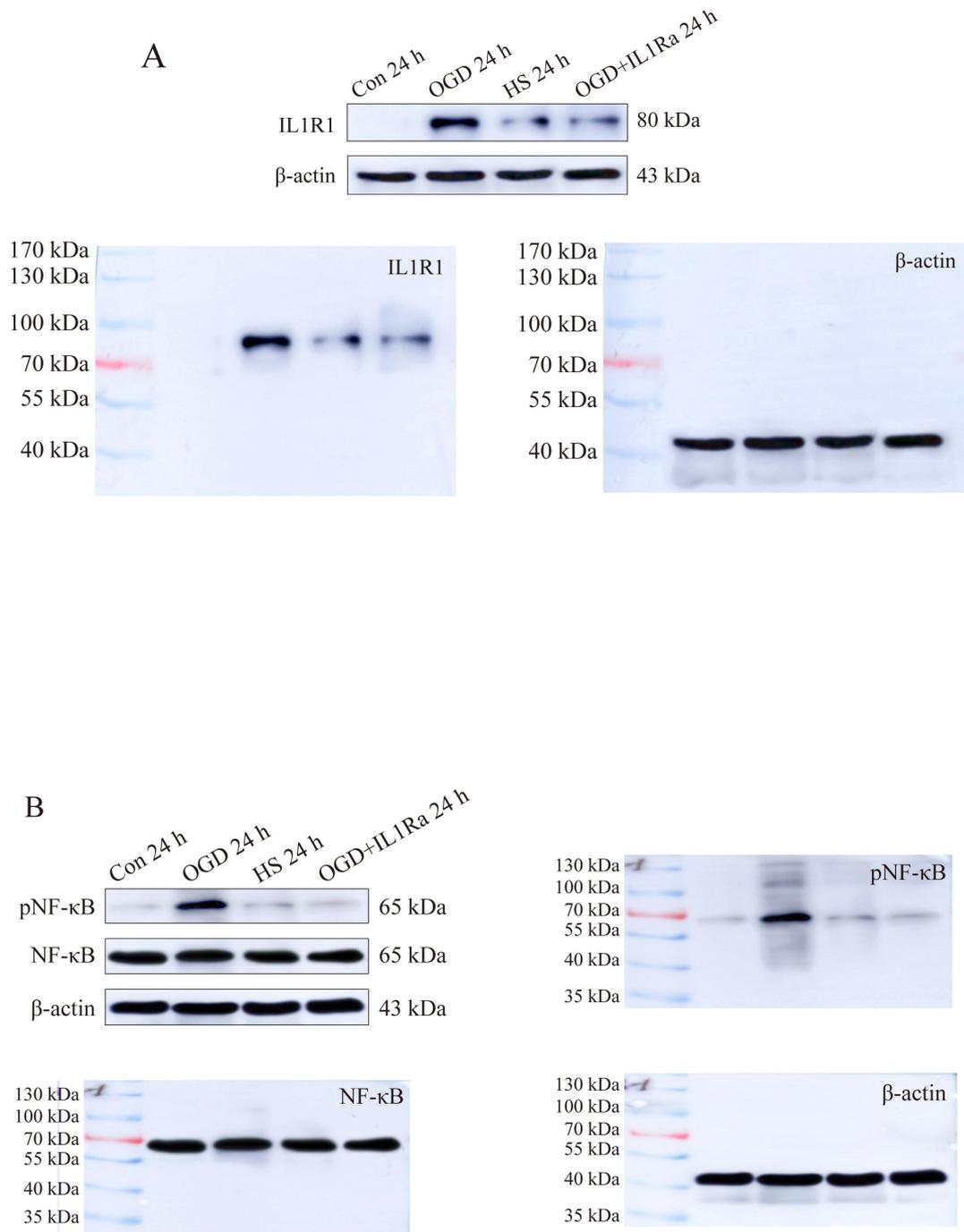


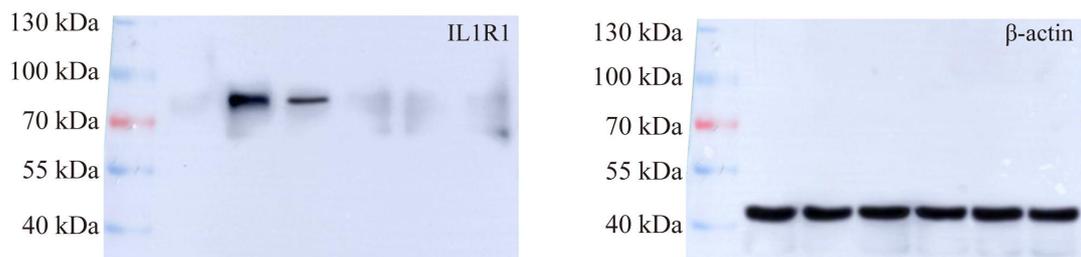
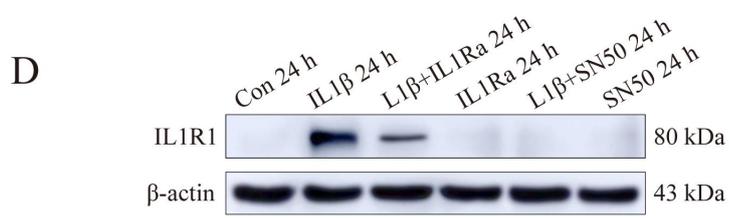
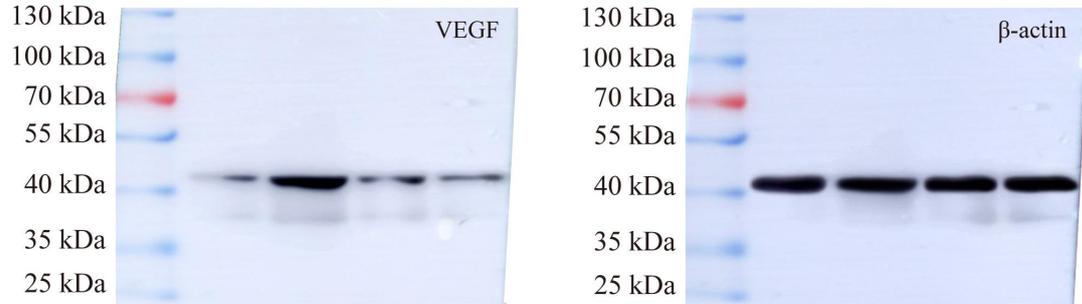
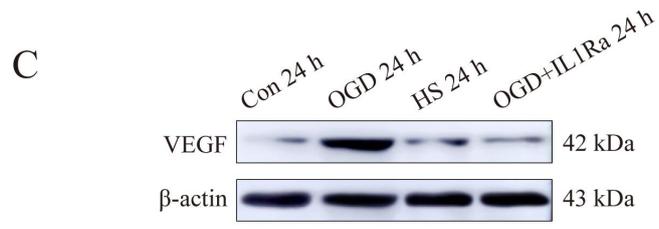
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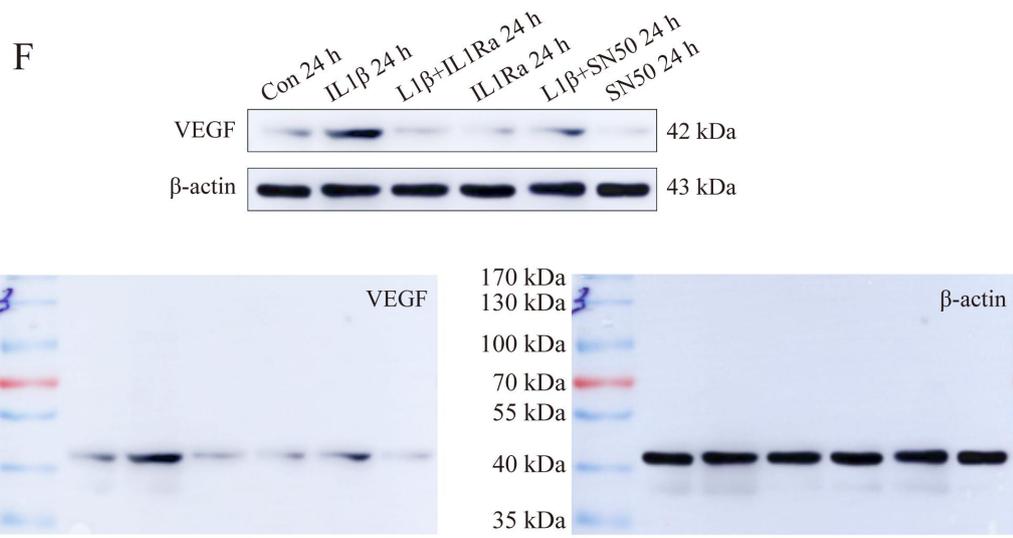
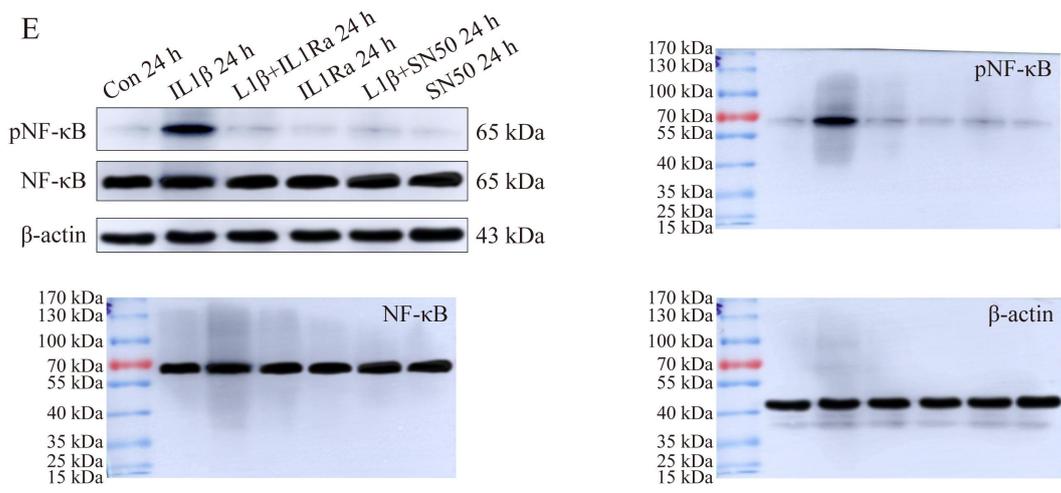




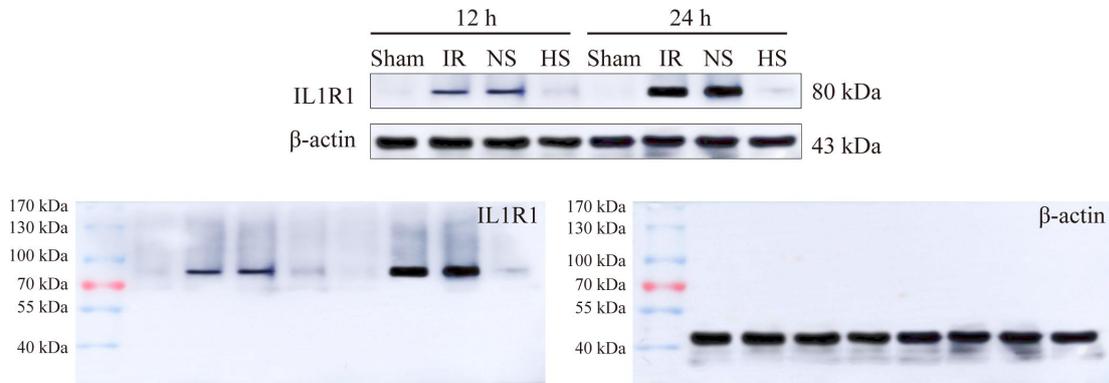
Supplementary Figure 11 Full unedited blots for Figure 5.







**Supplementary Figure 12** Full unedited blots for Supplementary Figure 6.



**Supplementary Figure 13** Full unedited blots for Supplementary Figure 7.

