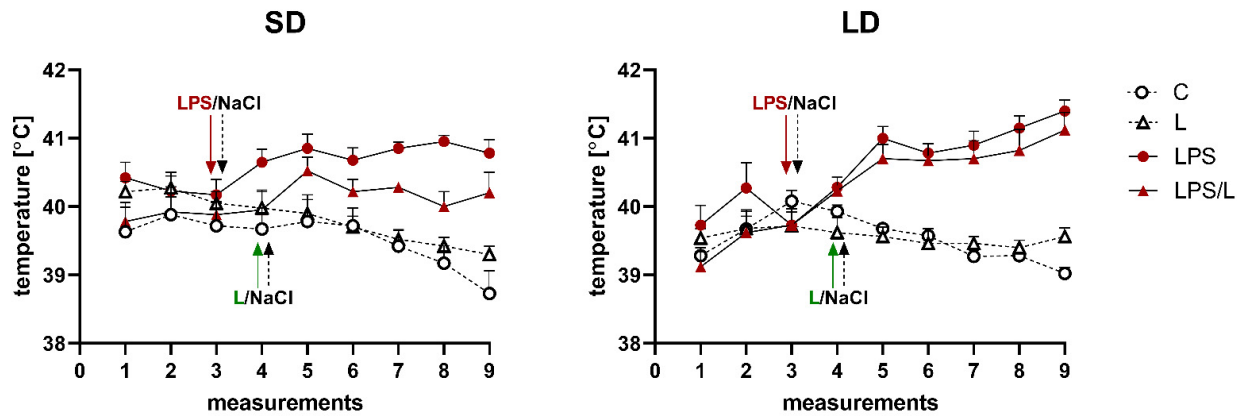


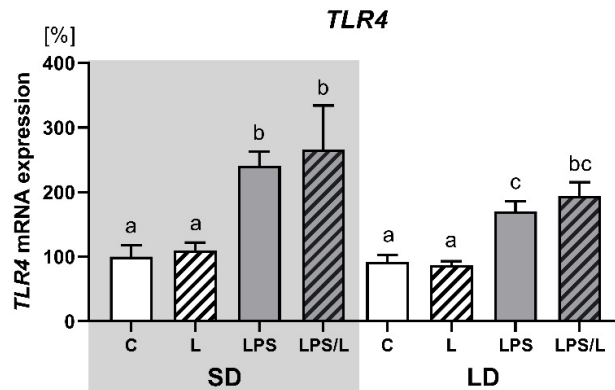
1 **Supplementary Materials**

2 **Supplementary Figure S1: Body temperature values throughout the experiments.**



4 **Figure S1.** Mean (\pm SEM) body temperature values measured in ewes every half hour throughout the
 5 experiments carried out during short-day (SD, left panel) and long-day (LD, right panel) photoperiod.

6 **Supplementary Figure S2: mRNA expression of *TLR4***



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8 **Figure S2.** Mean (\pm SEM) relative TLR4 mRNA expression in the ovine choroid plexus of saline (C, control
 9 - white bars), saline-leptin (L, white hatched bars), LPS (grey bars) and LPS-leptin (LPS/L, grey hatched
 10 bars) treated ewes, during short-day (SD, dark background) and long-day (LD, light background)
 11 photoperiod. The results are presented as percentage values [%], where SD C group is considered as
 12 100%.

13 **Supplementary Figure S3: Cycle quantification values of *LEPRa* and *LEPRb* expression.**

14 Cq (cycle quantification) values obtained from raw real time PCR data analyzed with using Real-Time
 15 PCR Miner software:

16 *LEPRa* - Cq range from 22.4 to 25.6; mean (\pm SEM) 23.2 ± 0.1

17 *LEPRb* - Cq range from 21.7 to 25.8; mean (\pm SEM) 23.7 ± 0.1

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