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# *Regulation of Myeloid-Derived Suppressor Cells in Cancer*

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*Strong activation signal. Short duration*

*Monocytes and mature neutrophils mobilization from bone marrow*

**Main trigger -TLR**

**Activated phagocytosis  
Respiratory burst  
Pro-inflammatory cytokines  
Up-regulation of co-stimulatory molecules**

Elimination of threat (killing pathogens)  
Activation of adaptive immunity



*Weak activation signal mostly growth factors and cytokines. Long duration*

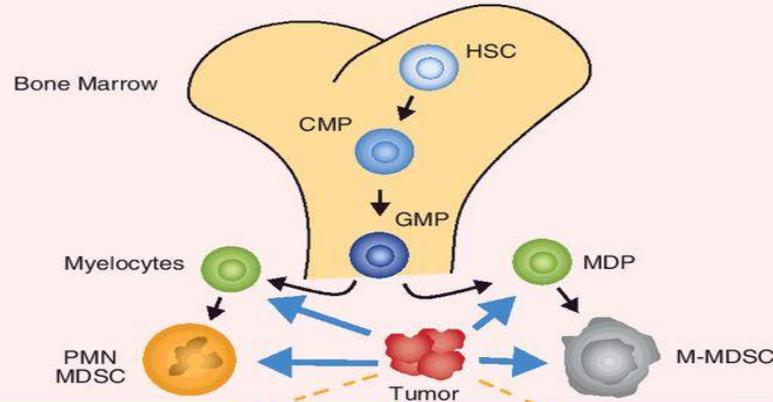
*Mild but prolong production of monocytes and neutrophils*

**Main trigger – pro-inflammatory cytokines and ER stress response**

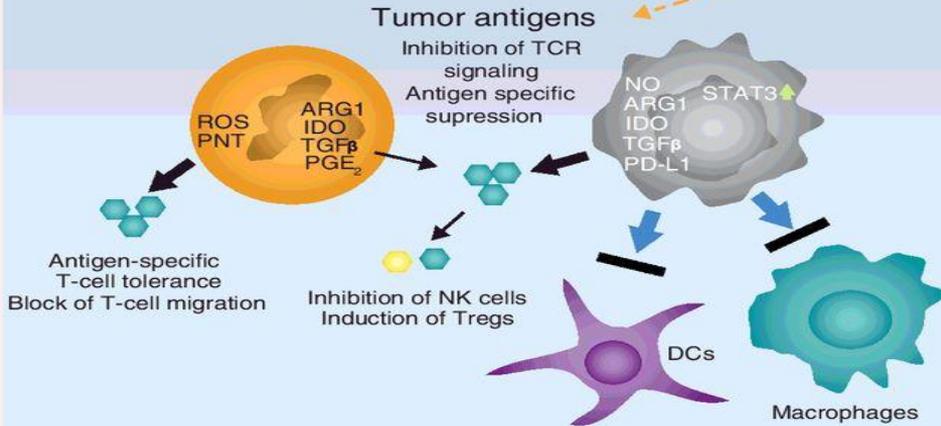
**Weak phagocytosis  
Constant production of ROS and NO  
Anti-inflammatory cytokines  
Arginase, PGE2**

Inhibition of adaptive immunity  
“Pathologic tissue remodeling” leading to metastases

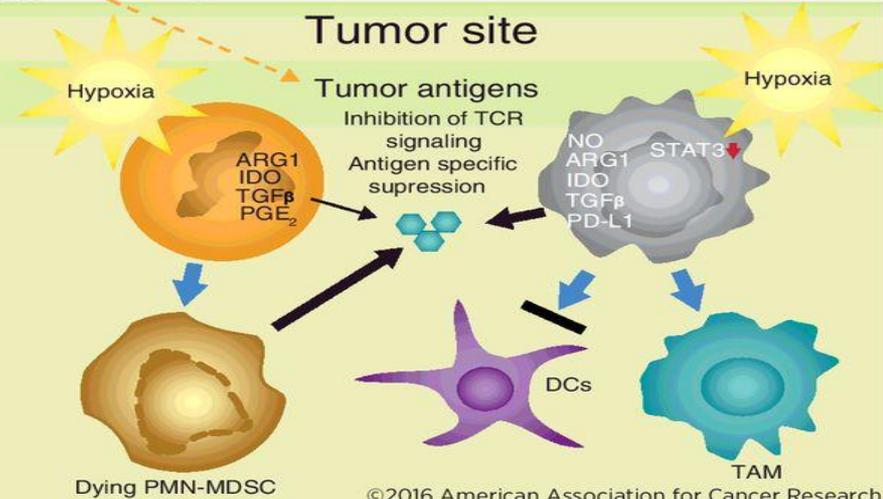
# Development and function of MDSCs



## Lymphoid tissues

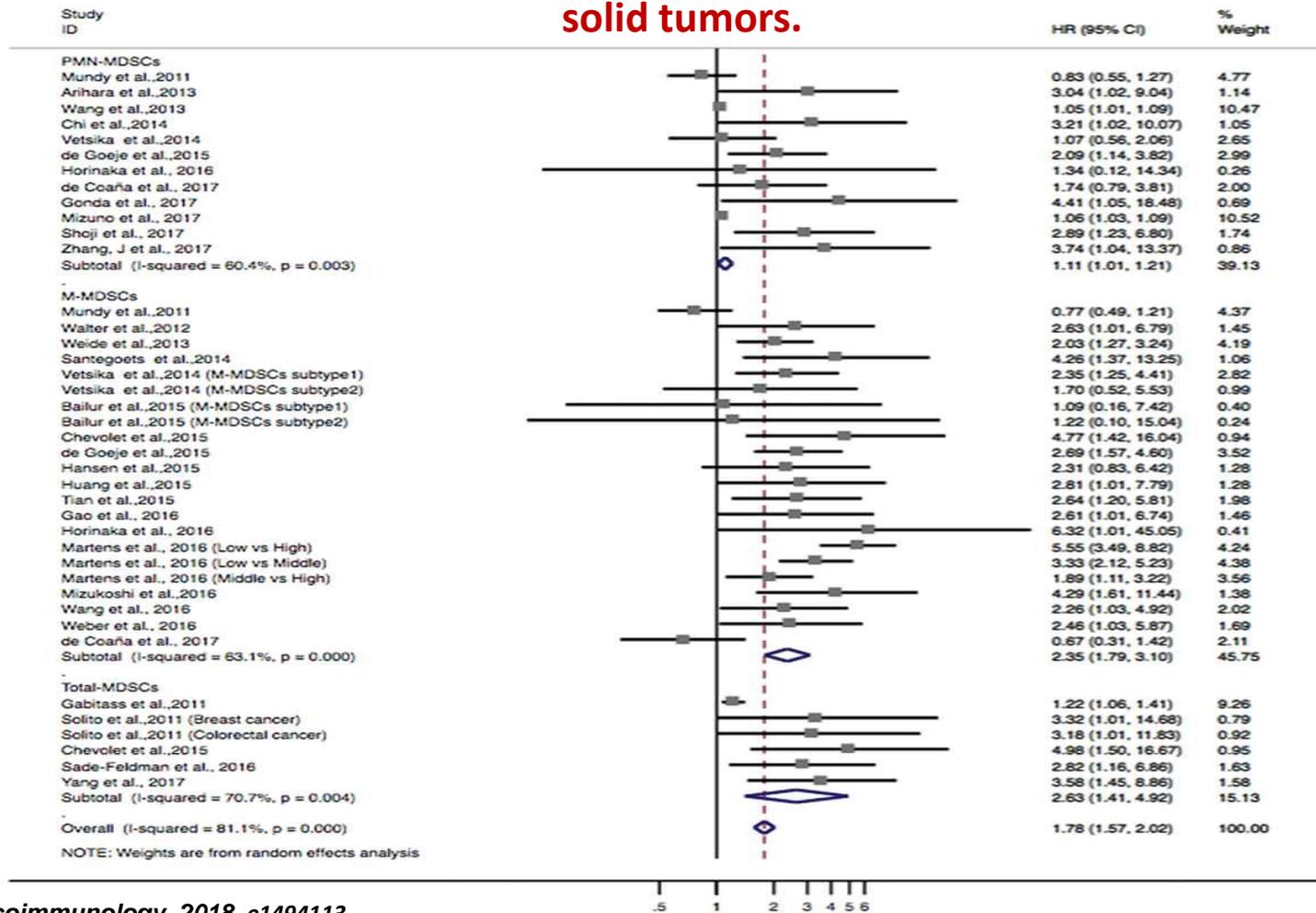


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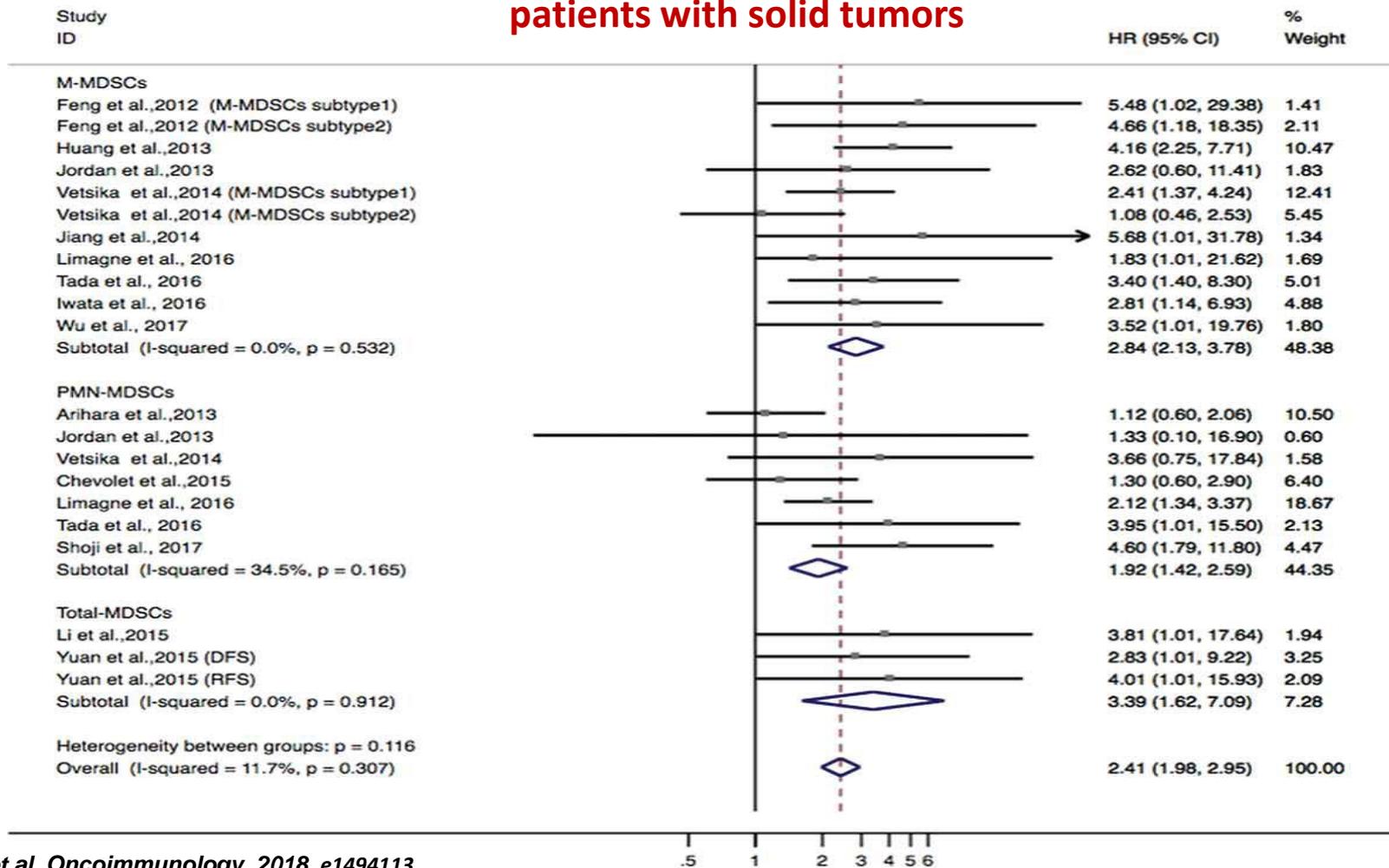


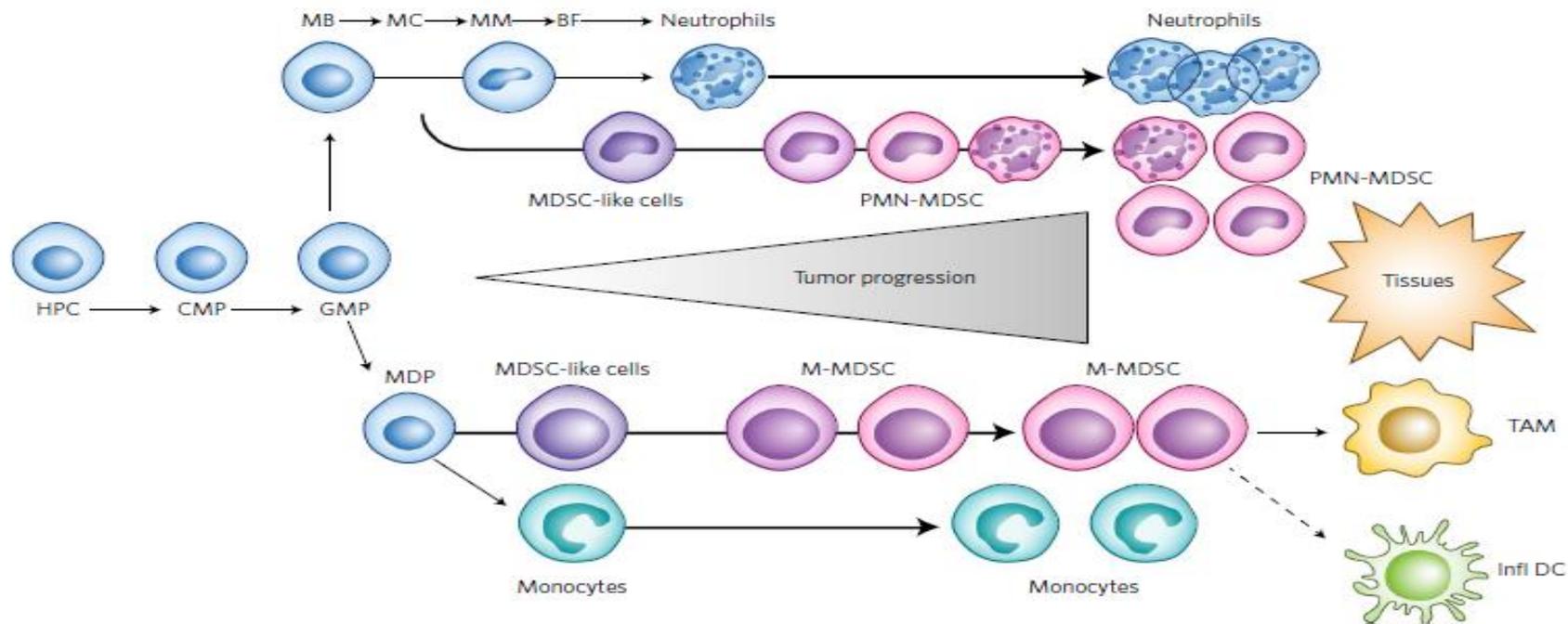
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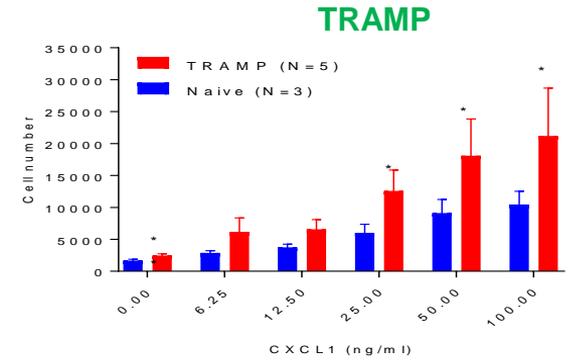
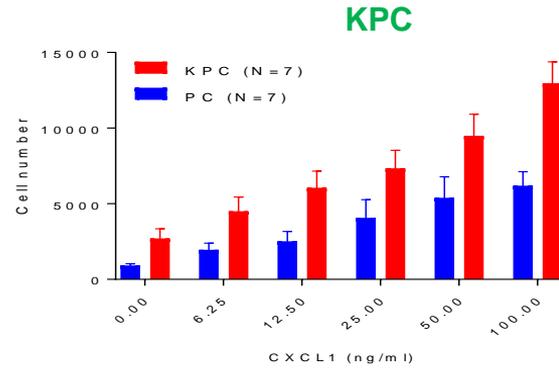
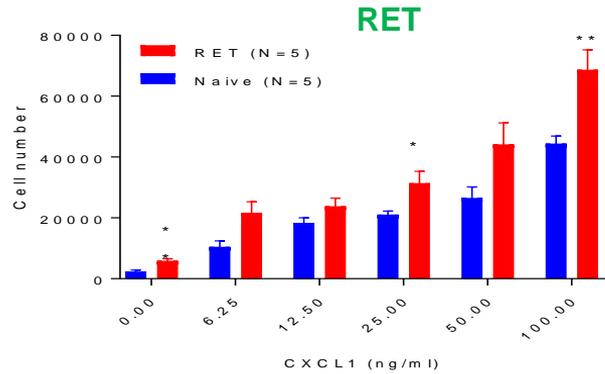




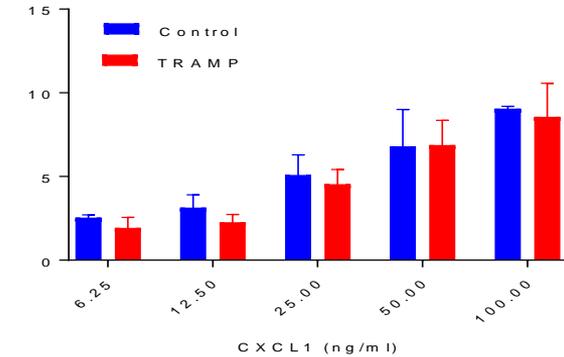
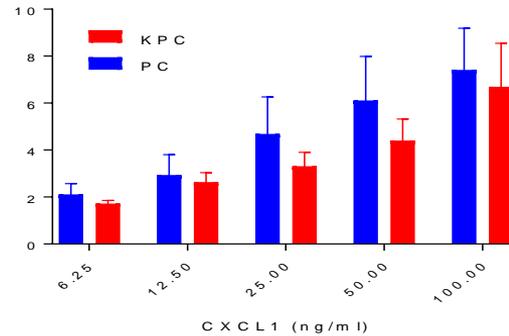
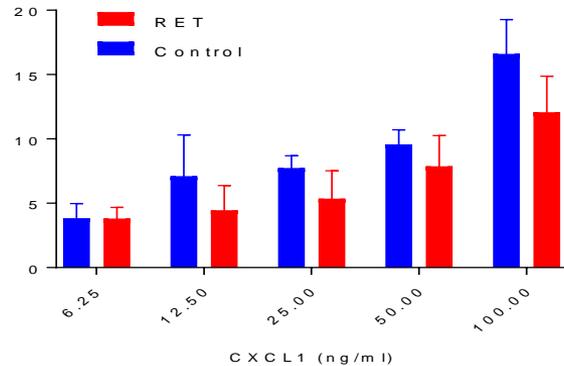
# Chemotaxis of bone marrow neutrophils from GEM

## CXCL1

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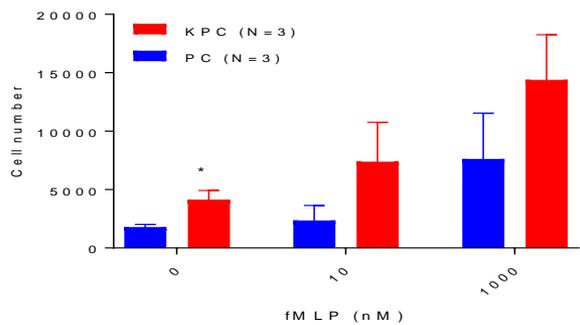
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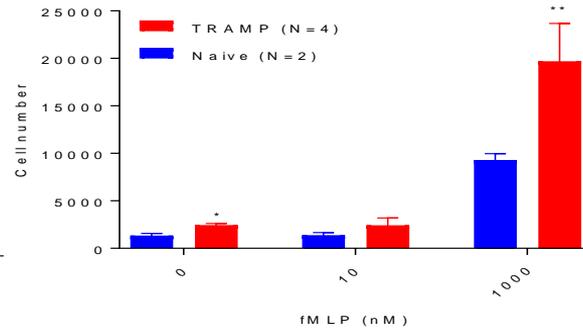
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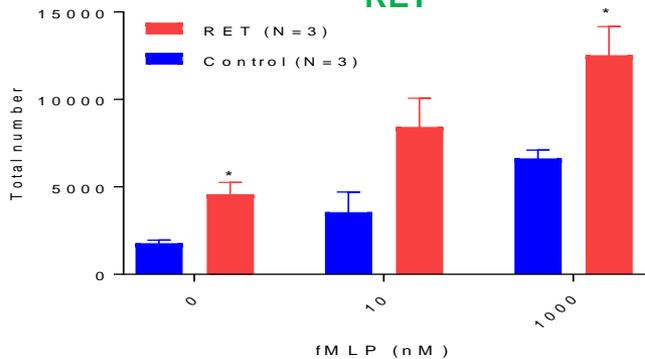
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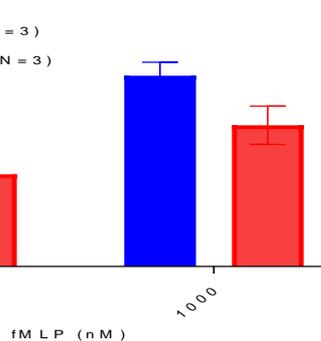
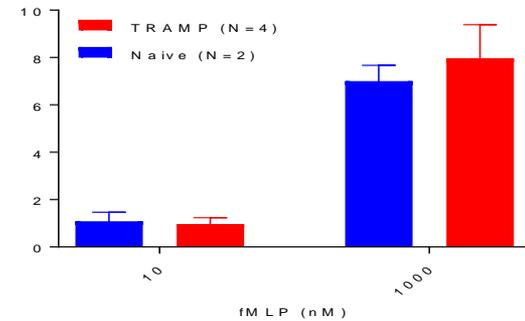
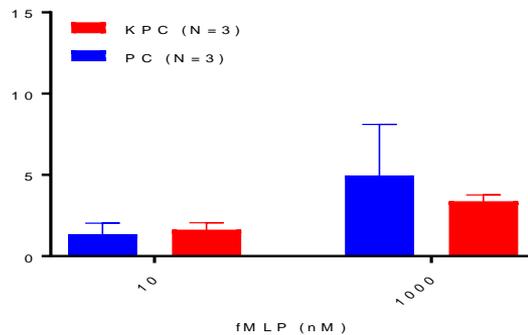
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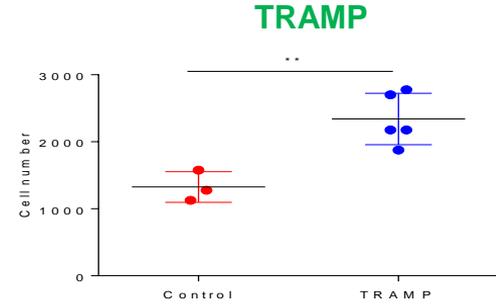
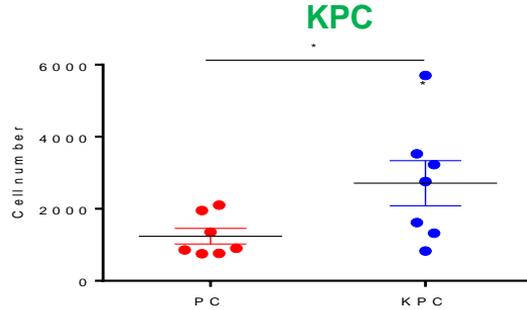
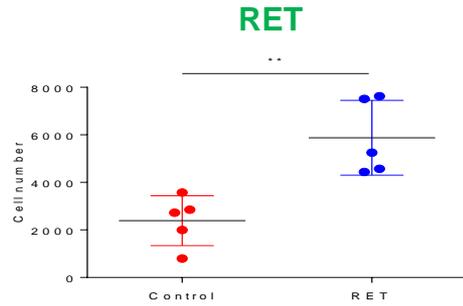
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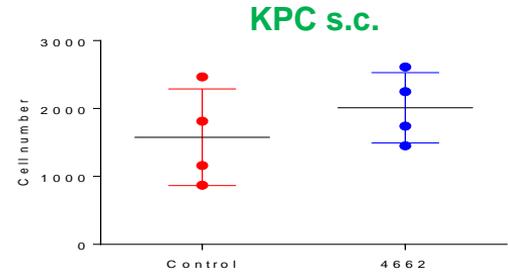
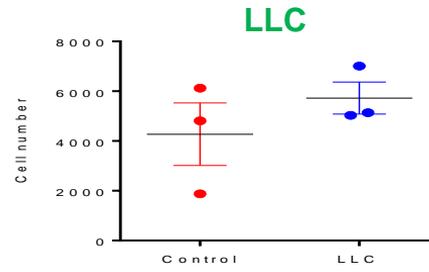
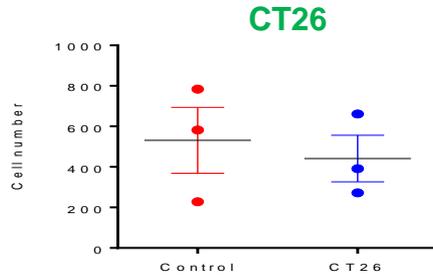
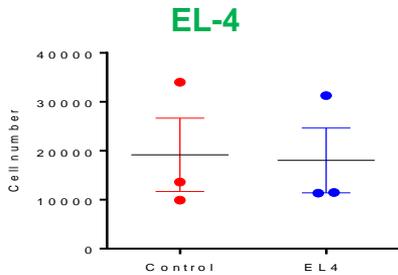
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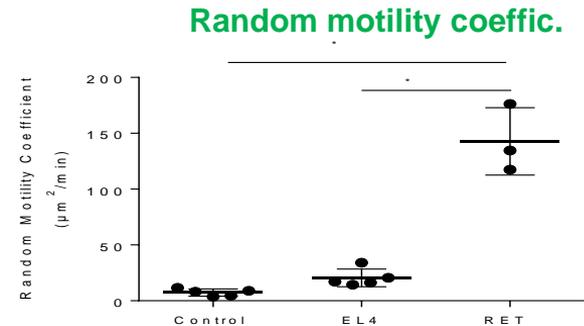
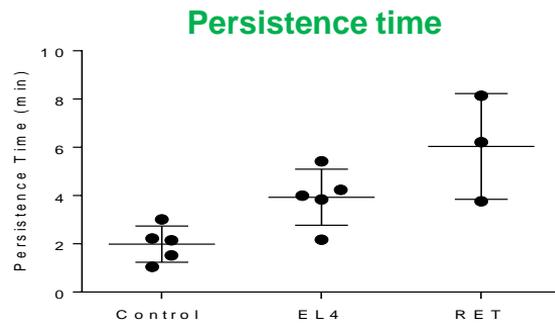
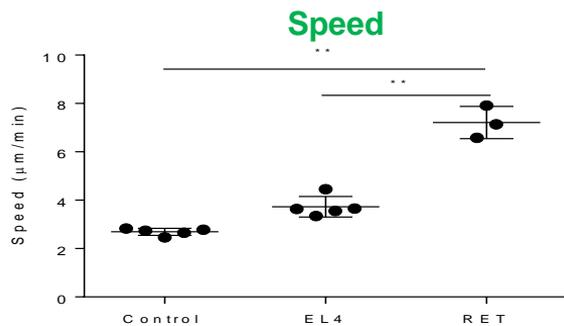
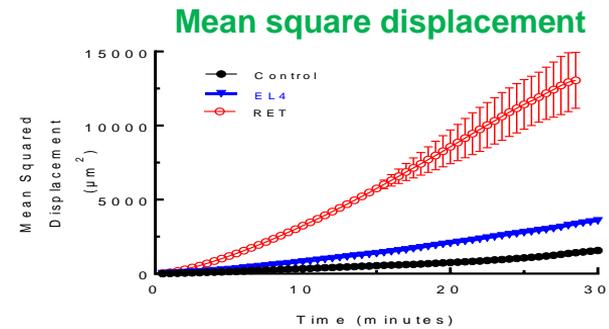
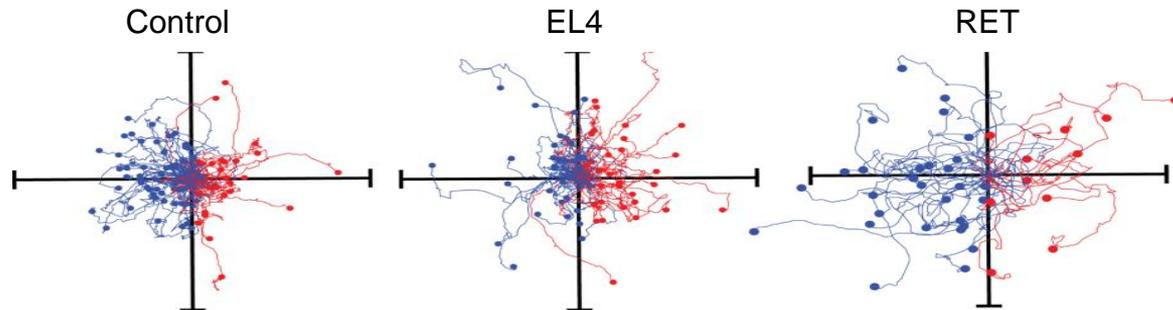
# Spontaneous migration of bone marrow neutrophils from GEM



# Spontaneous migration of bone marrow neutrophils from transplantable models

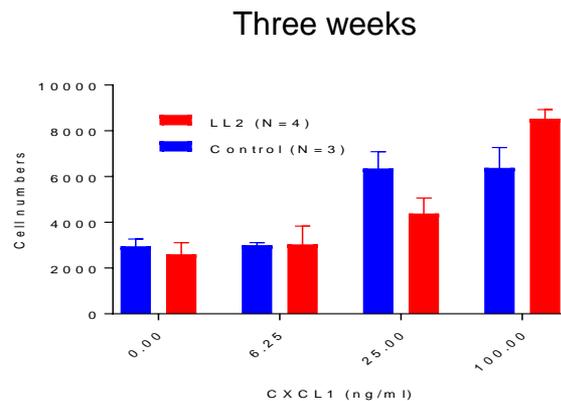
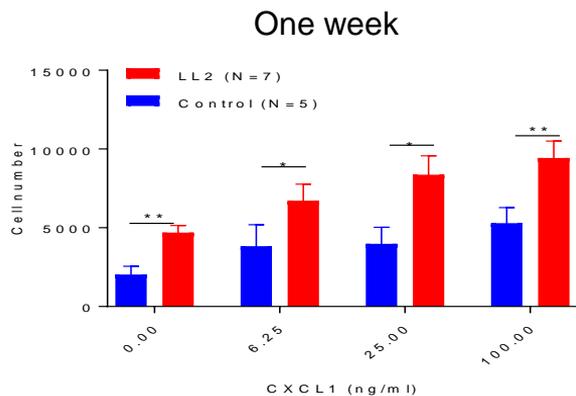
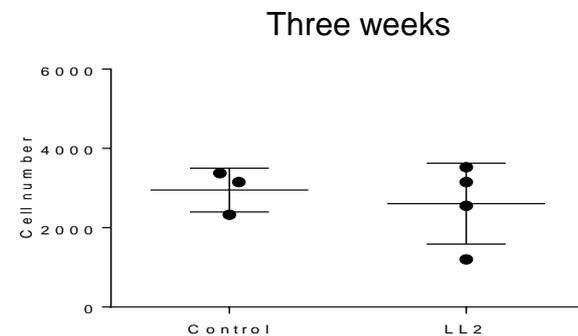
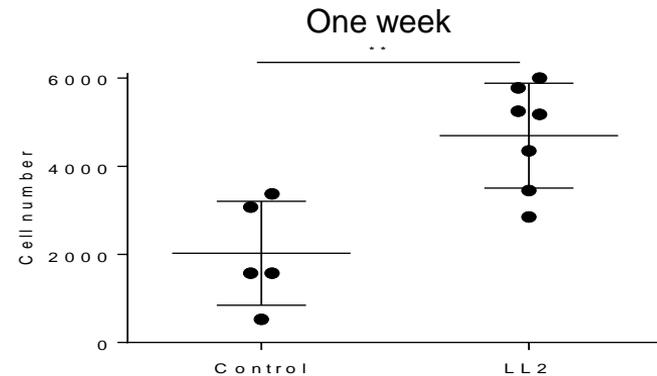
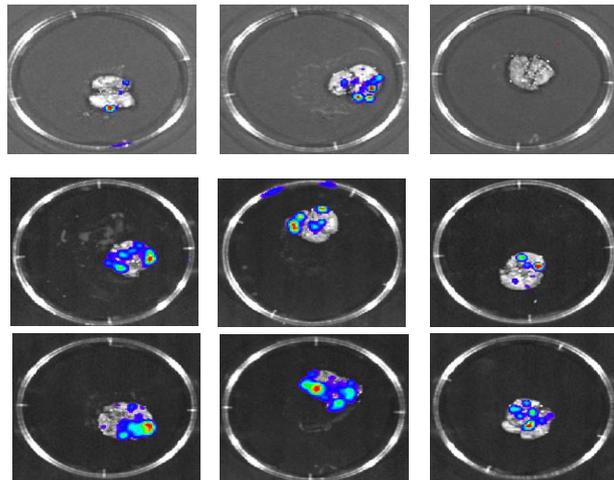


# Migration of bone marrow neutrophils

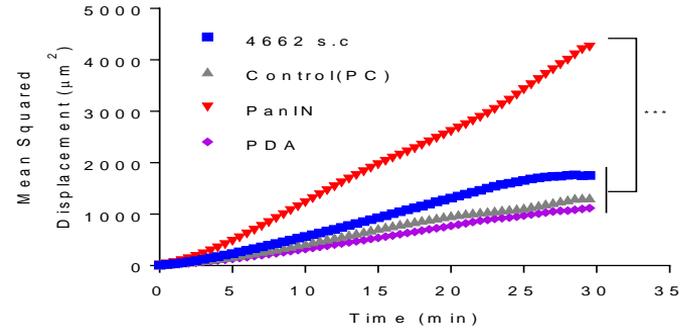
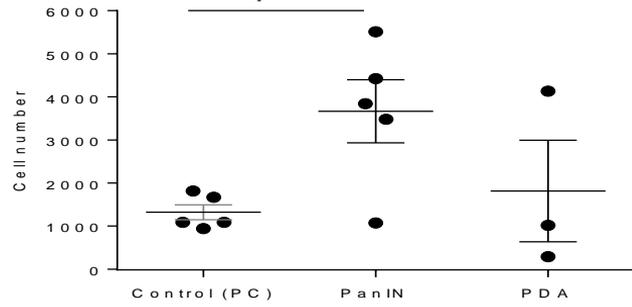


# Migration of bone marrow neutrophils depends on tumor stage

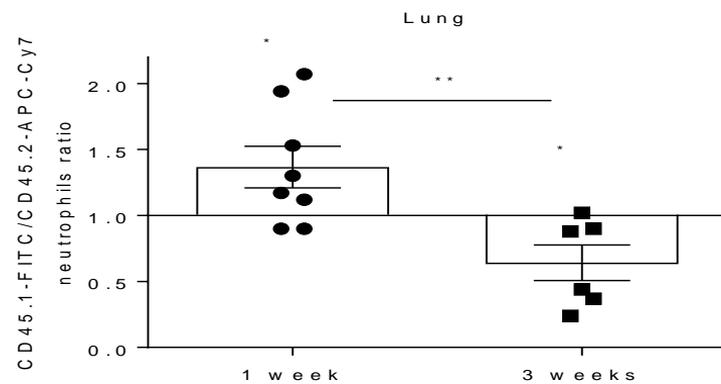
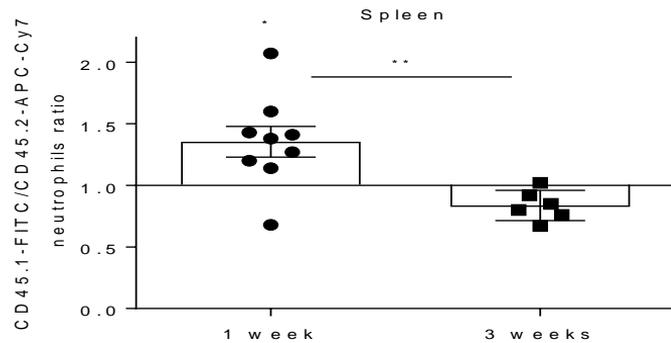
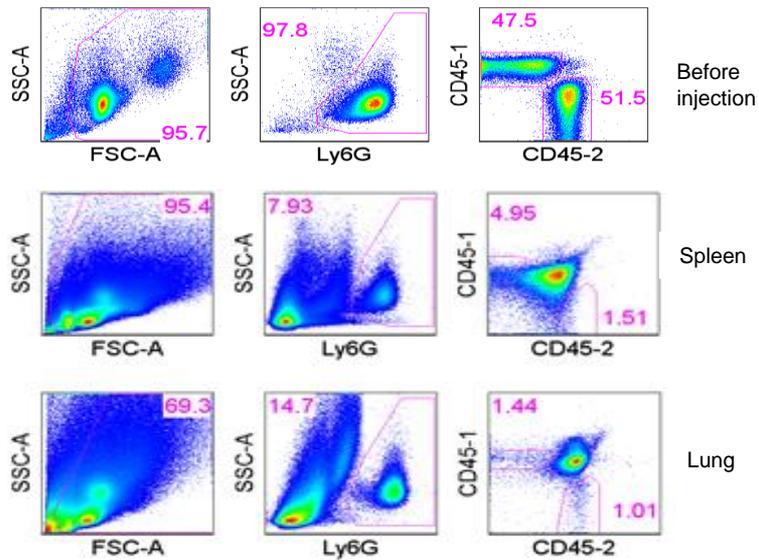
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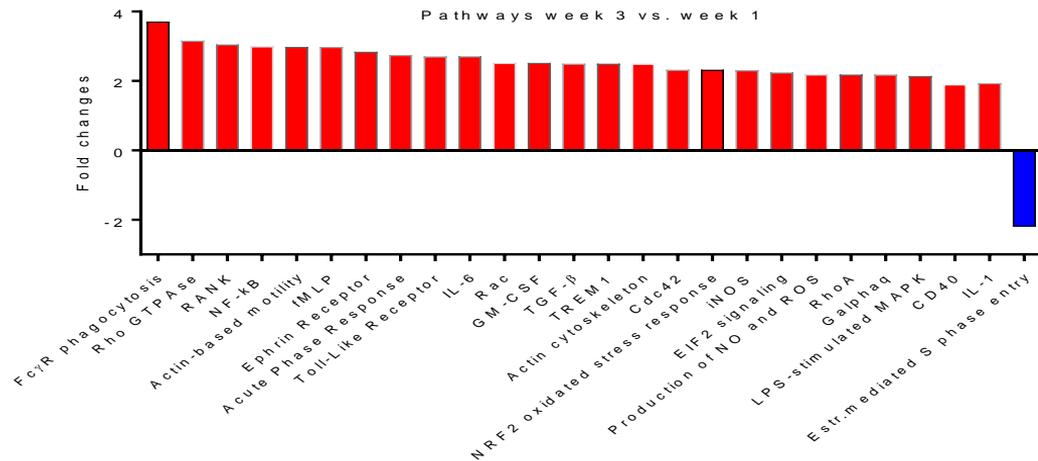


# Migration of bone marrow neutrophils *in vivo*

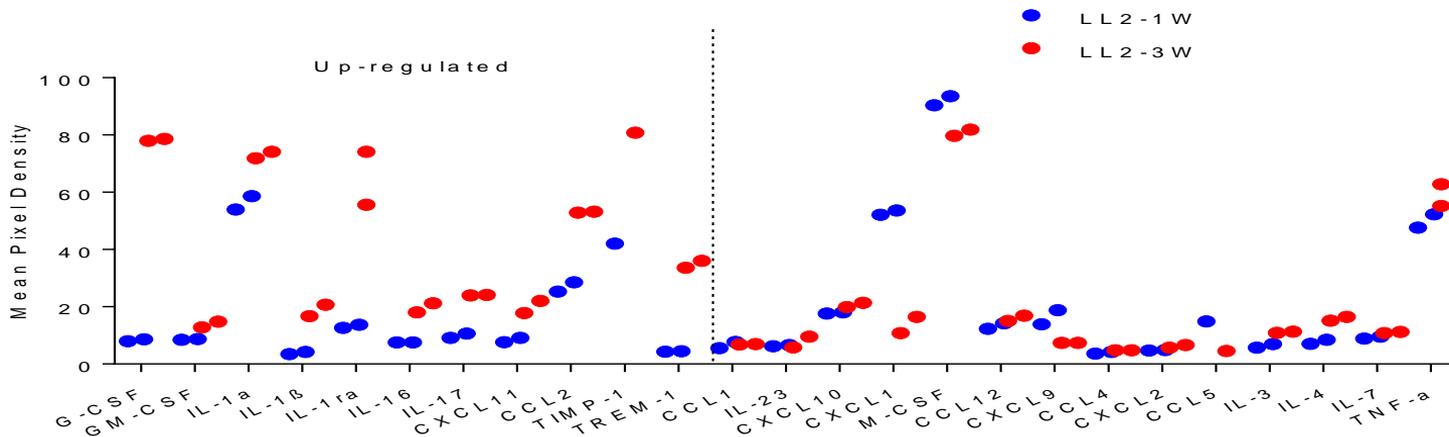


# Inflammation is a feature of BM neutrophils from advanced stage tumors

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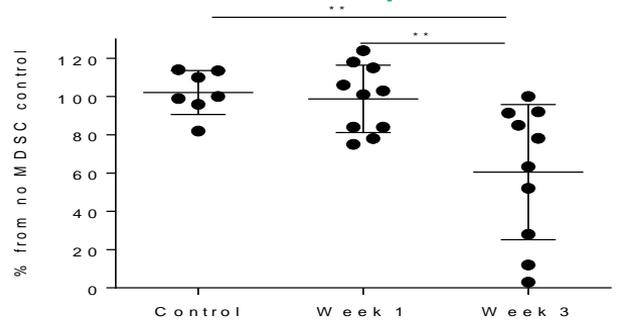


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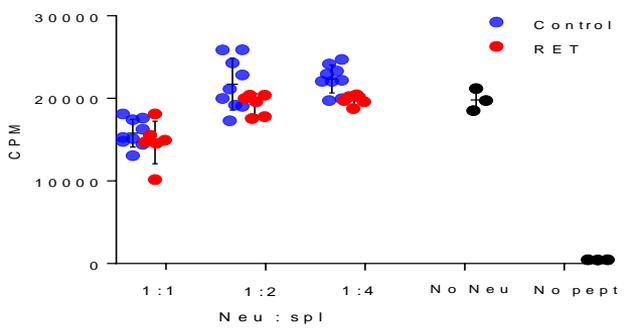


# Immune suppression of BM neutrophils

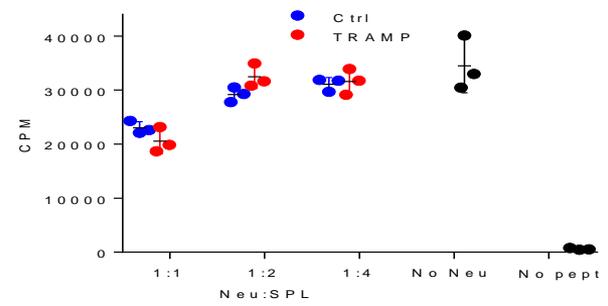
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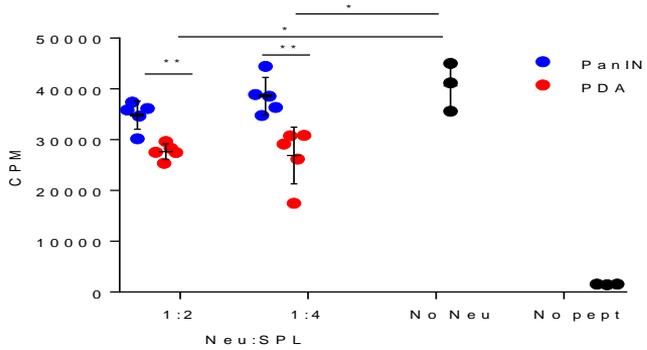
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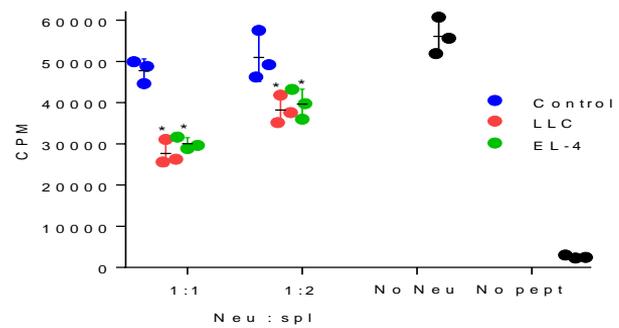
## TRAMP GEM



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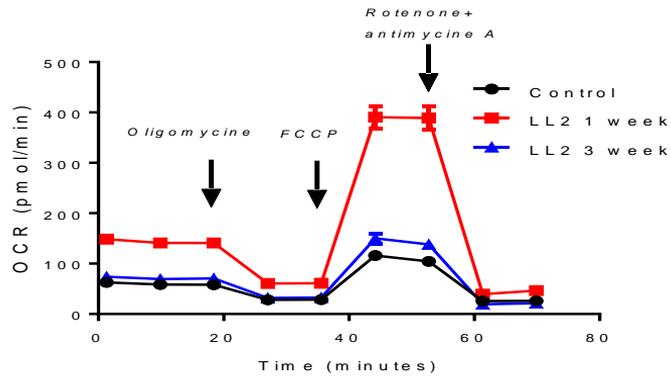


## Transplantable s.c. tumors

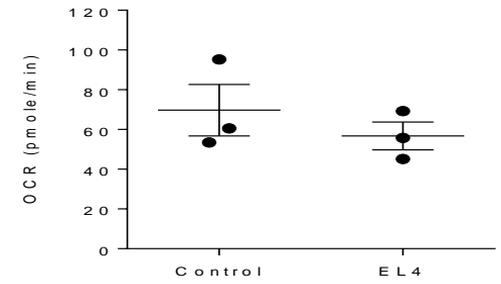
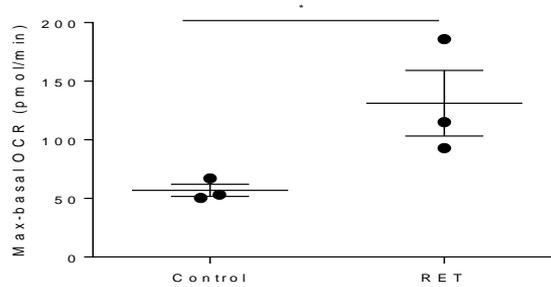
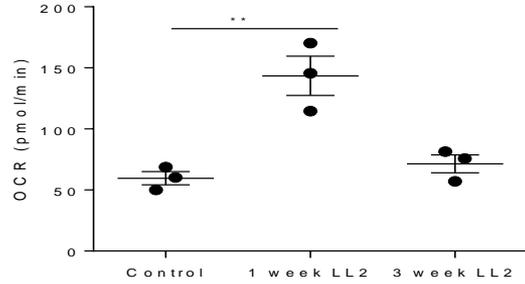


# Metabolism of BM neutrophils

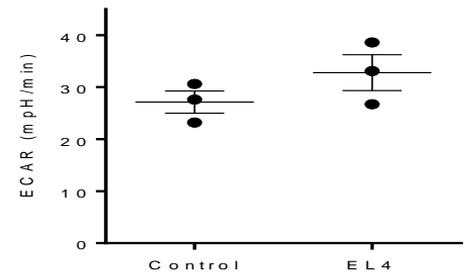
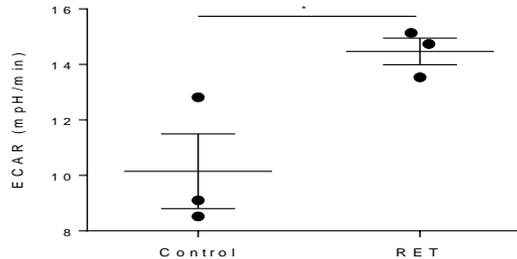
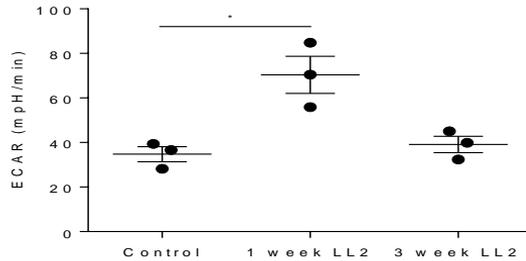
## *Oxidative phosphorylation and glycolysis*



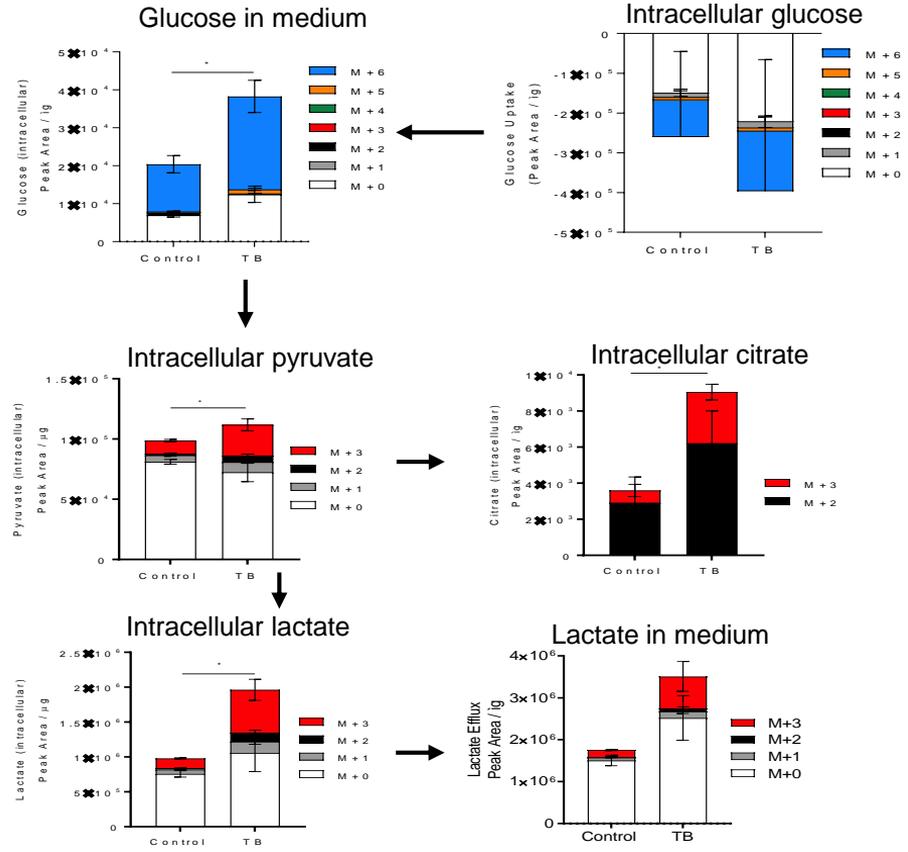
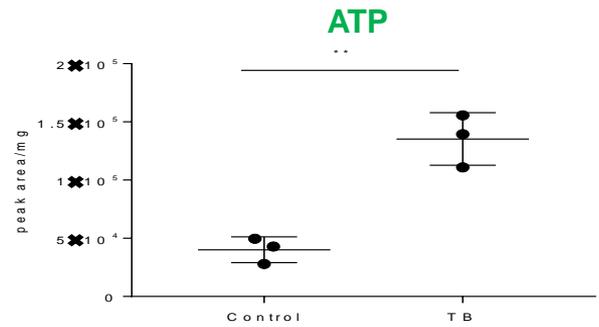
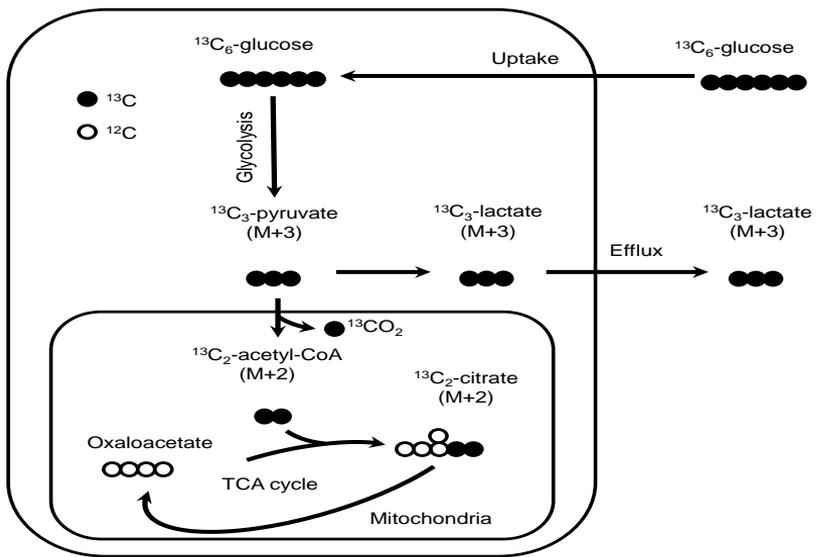
### Oxygen Consumption Rate - OCR



### Extracellular Acidification Rate - ECAR

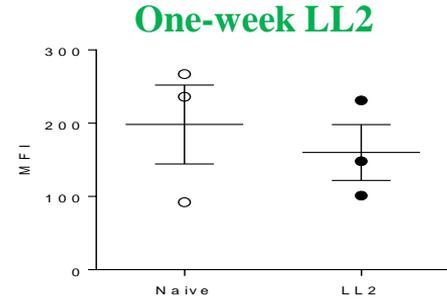
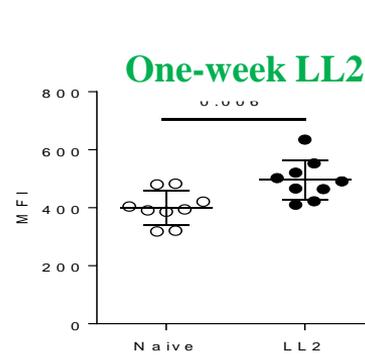
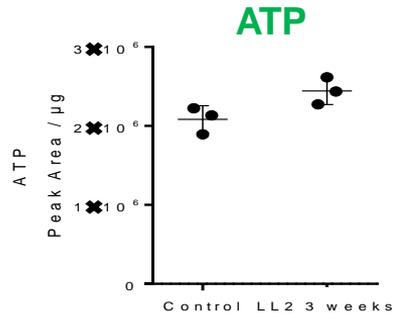
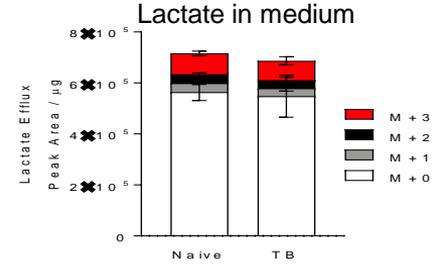
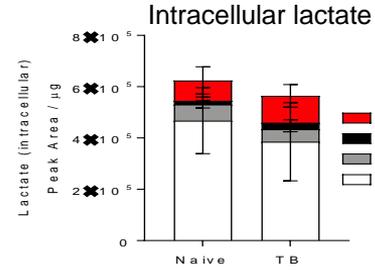
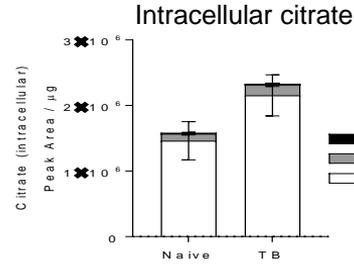
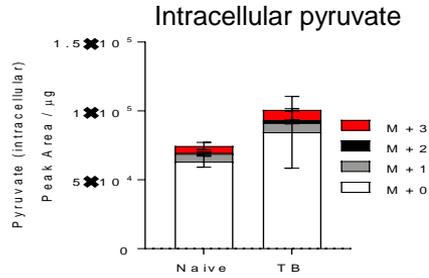


# Metabolism of BM neutrophils TCA cycle RET mice



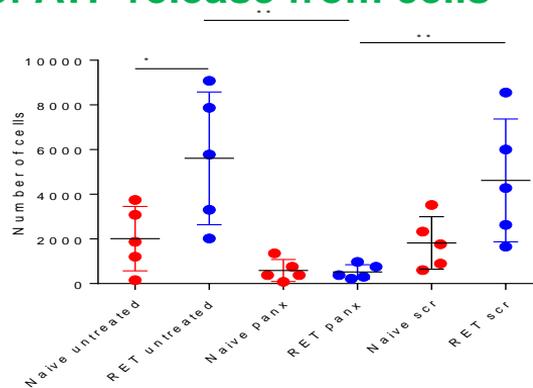
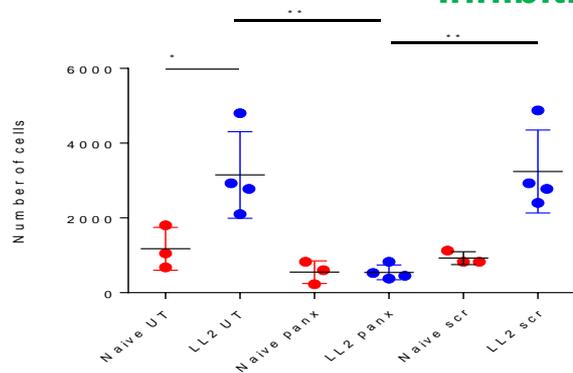
# Metabolism of BM neutrophils

## TCA cycle LL2 mice (3 weeks)

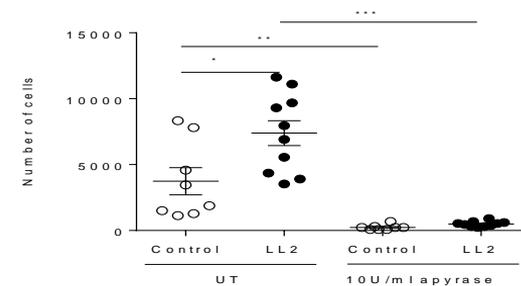


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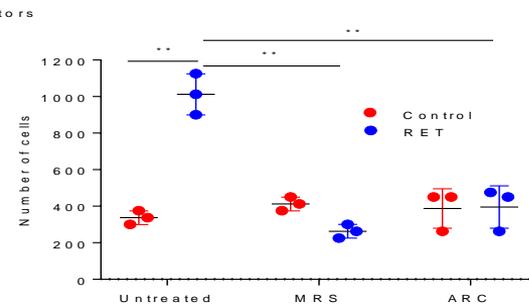
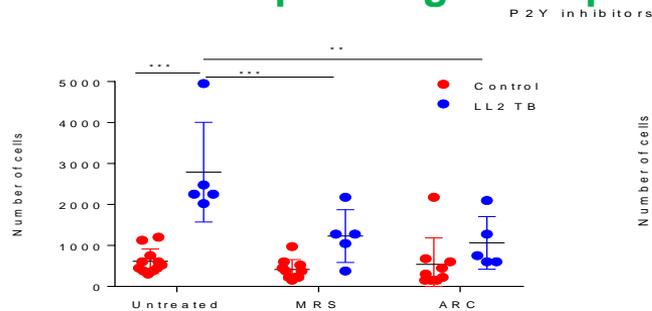
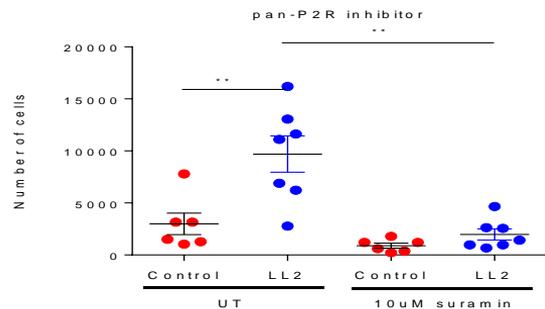
## Inhibition of ATP release from cells



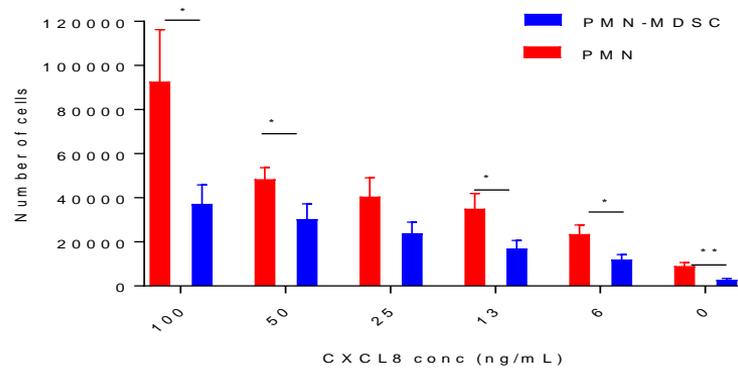
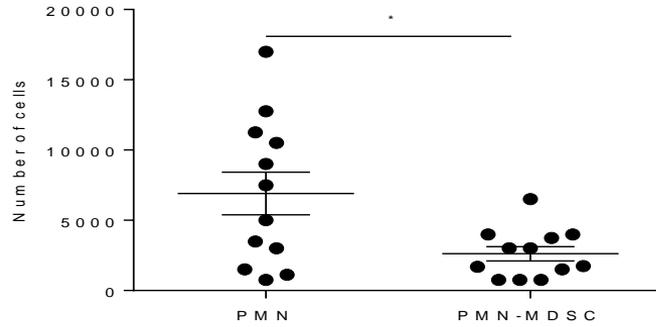
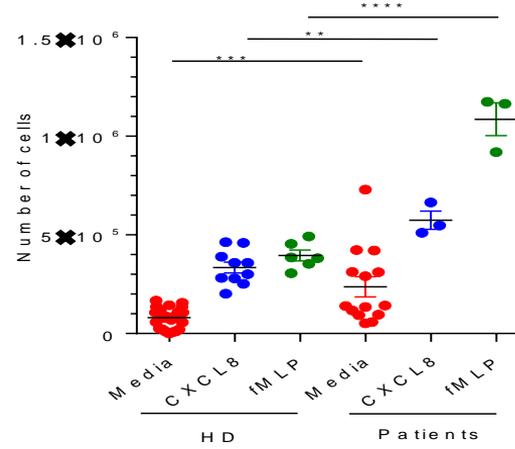
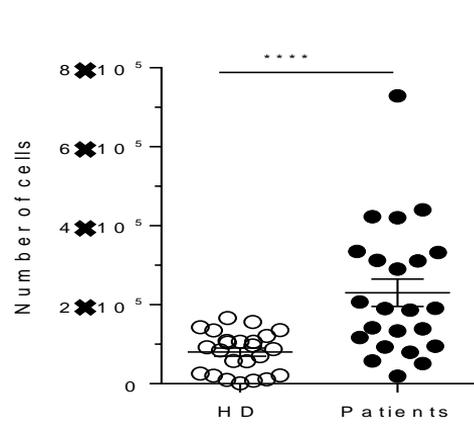
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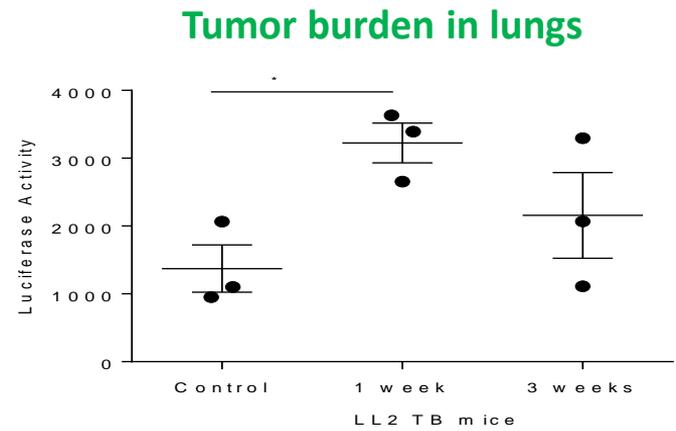
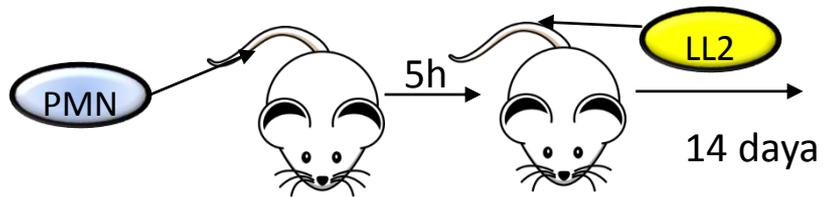
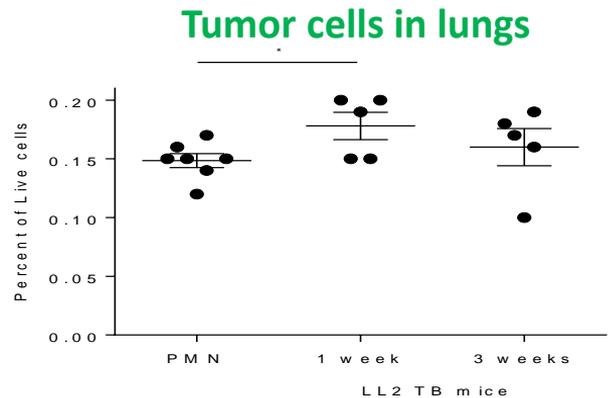
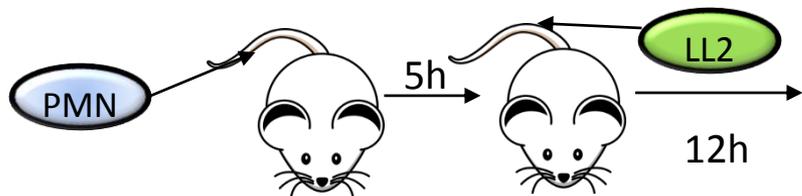
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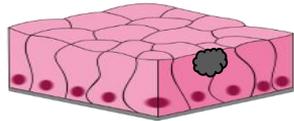
# Migration of human neutrophils and PMN-MDSC



# PMN-MDSC like cells promote metastasis better than PMN-MDSC

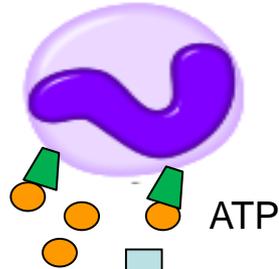


Early stage tumor, minimal inflammation

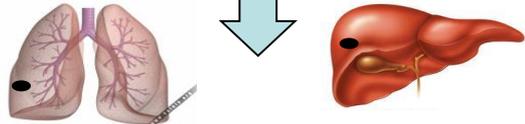


**PMN-MDSC like cells**

ER Stress, increased OXPHOS and glycolysis



No suppression, potent spontaneous migration



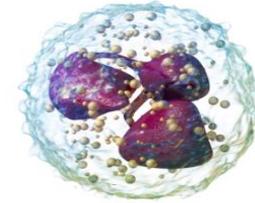
Spontaneous migration to uninvolved tissues, promotion of tumor seeding and initial metastatic niche formation

Late stage tumors, strong inflammation

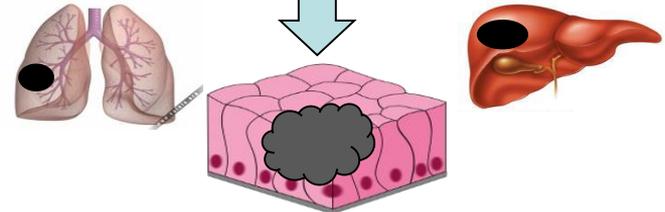


**PMN-MDSC**

ER stress, ROS, oxidative damage, NF-kB, inflammatory response



Immune suppression, minimal spontaneous migration



Promotion of tumor growth in primary and metastatic sites

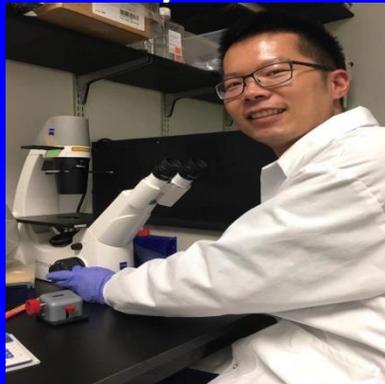
# Lessons and Take Home Messages

- MDSC are pathologically activated neutrophils and monocytes with preferential, but not exclusive feature of immature cells;
- MDSC are associated with poor clinical outcome in cancer;
- MDSC accumulate in advanced stage of cancer and are characterized strong immune suppressive activity;
- MDSC is extreme state of pathological activation of neutrophils. There are early stages of this process that are not associated with suppression but with increased metabolism and cell motility;
- At that stage neutrophils (provisionally termed MDSC like cells) actively migrate to uninvolved tissues and promote metastases.

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