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Staphylococcus aureus is responsible for a wide range of infections in human and animals

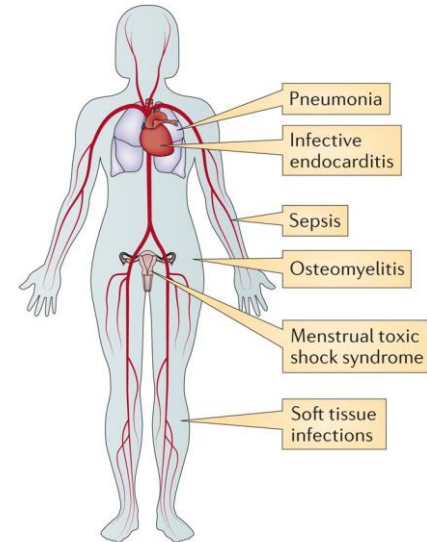
Gram-positive bacterium that is carried by up to 50% of healthy people

Mild skin infections



Human:

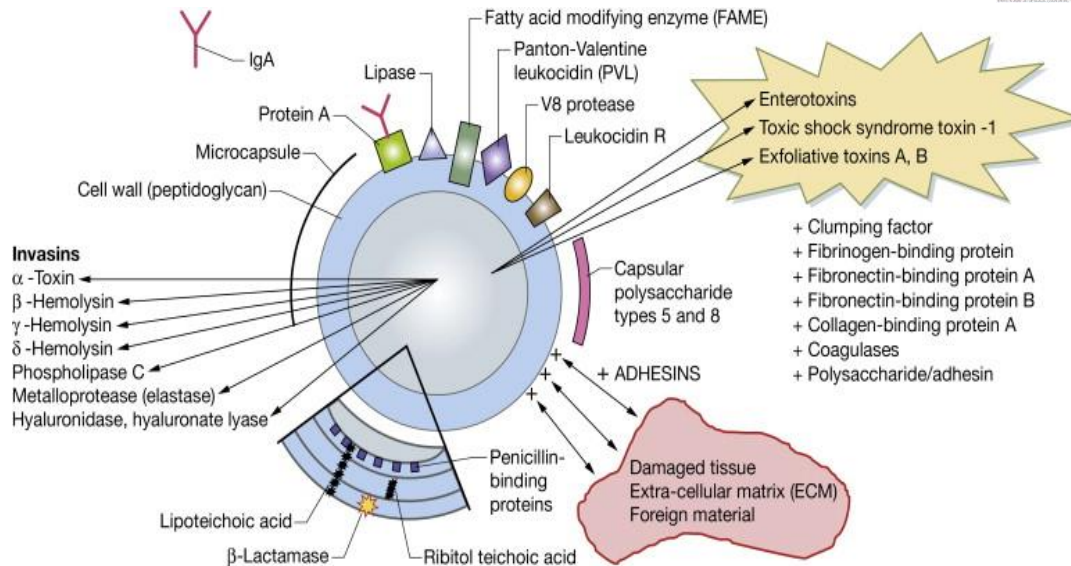
Life-threatening infections



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Dairy_cattle:

Chronic mastitis



***S. aureus* infections induce serious clinical problems. Despite antimicrobial therapy, there is a high percentage of relapse, leading to the chronicity**

INFLAMMATION

as a defense mechanism against infection and injury

Cause of inflammation

- **Microbial infection**
- Noxious substances
- Tissue stress
- Tissue injury

Physiological purpose

- **Defense from microbial infection**
- Expulsion of noxious substances
- Tissue repair
- Adaptation to stress

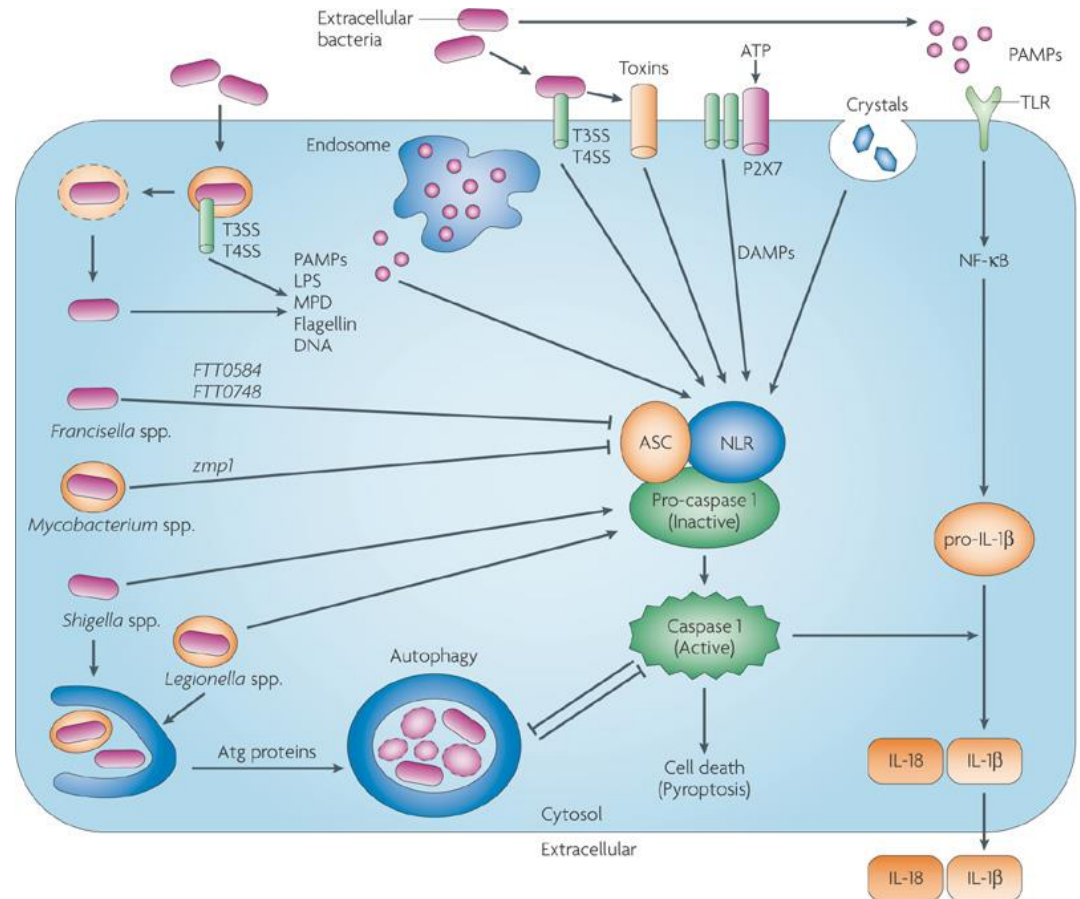
Outcomes

- DNA damage
- Tissue damage
- Autoimmune diseases
- Disease of homeostasis
- Fibrosis, metaplasia, cancer

Innate immune system instructs adaptive immune responses

Persistent inflammation induces the activation of inflammasomes that are central players of innate immunity to pathogens

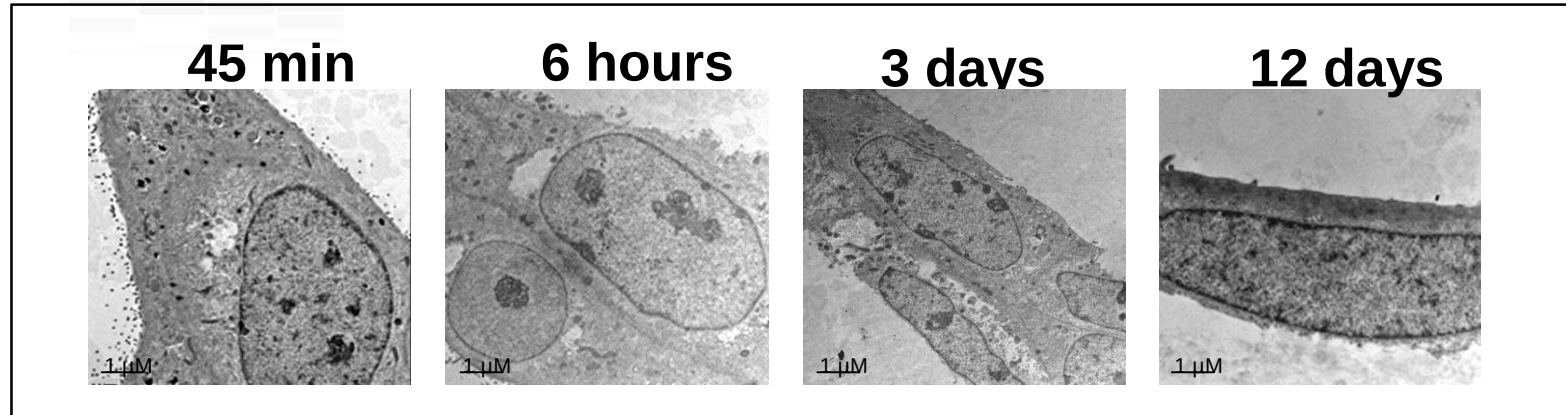
Inflammasomes are multi-protein signaling complexes that are composed of **a sensor (NLR), an adaptor (ASC), and a zymogen procaspase-1**



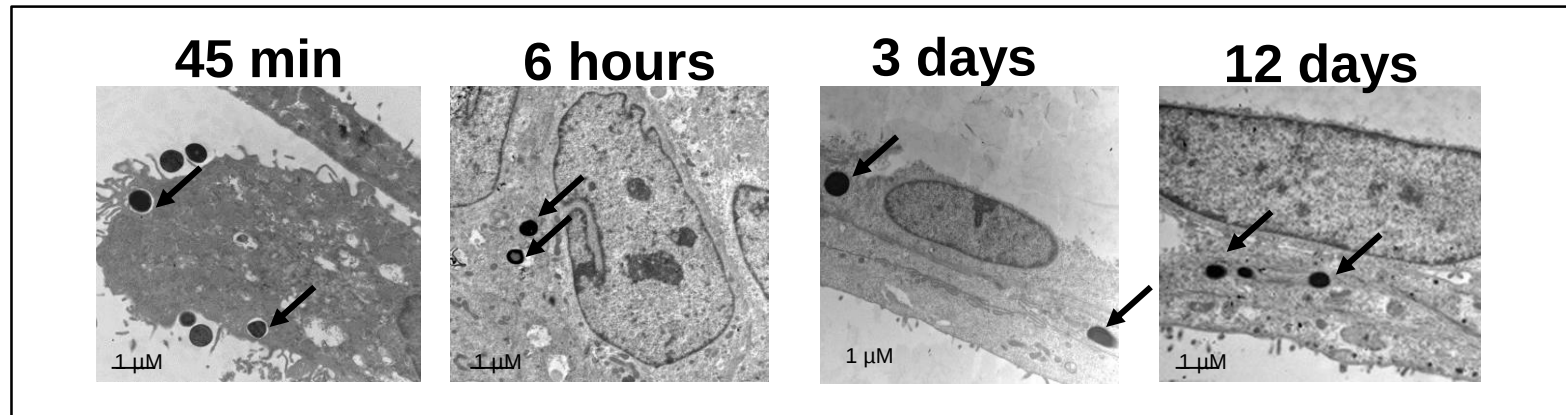
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Staphylococcus aureus, a facultative intracellular pathogen

Control MG-63 cells



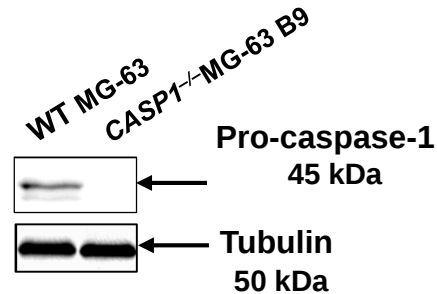
MG-63 cells +
S. aureus



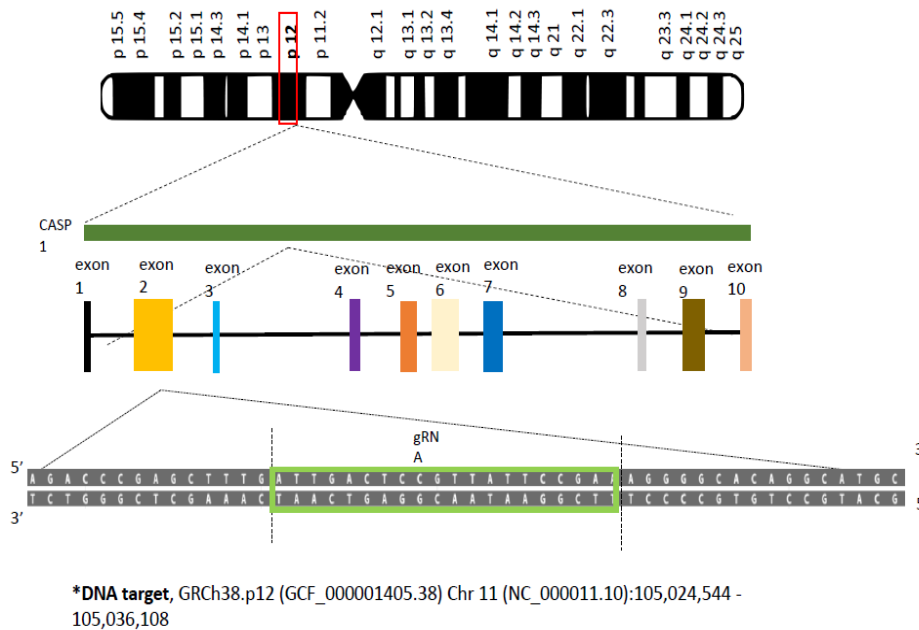
A long-term *S. aureus* infected cell culture as a model of chronic infection

Generation of *CASP1*^{-/-} MG-63 cells using the CRISPR-Cas9 gene editing system

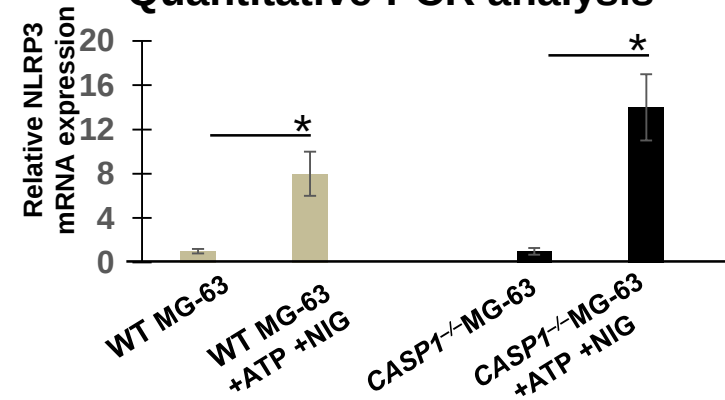
Western blot analysis



Human Chromosome 11 map depicting the position of Caspase-1



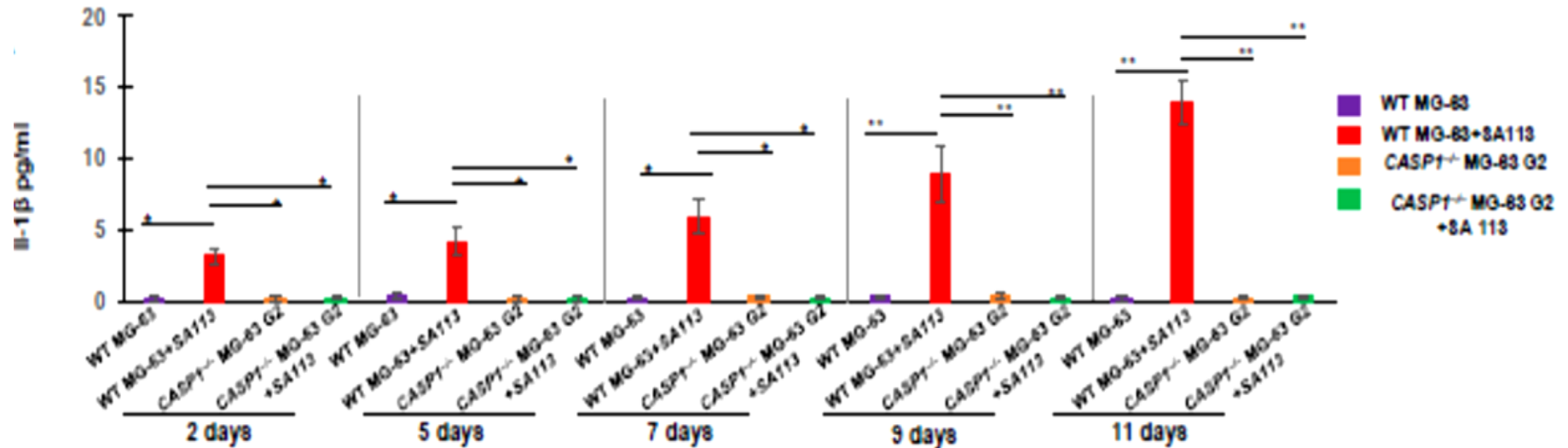
Quantitative PCR analysis



CRISPR/Cas9 edits genes by precisely cutting DNA and then letting natural DNA repair processes to take over

Depletion of Caspase-1 does not impair upstream events of inflammasome formation

S. aureus-induced release of IL-1 β by infected WT MG-63 cells and CASP1^{-/-}MG-63 clone

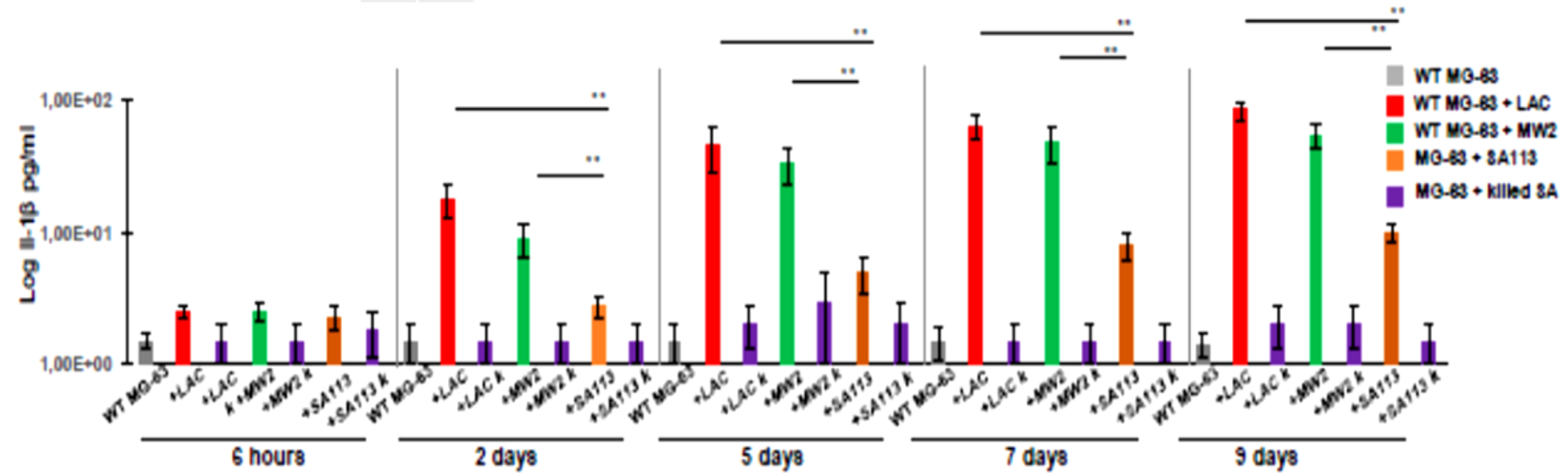


WT MG-63 cells and CASP1^{-/-}MG-63 clones express NLRP3 and form ASC specks
Only WT MG-63 cells produce IL-1 β following the exposure *S. aureus*



Monitoring of IL-1 β produced by both cell lines are used for the analysis of inflammasomes activation

S. aureus strain-dependent release of IL-1 β by infected MG-63 cells



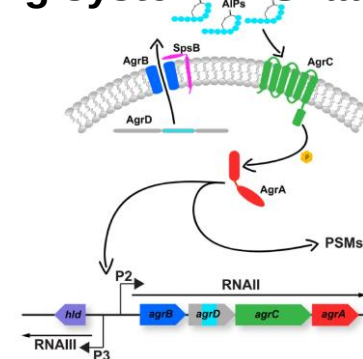
Agr-defective SA113 strain induce a low levels of IL-1 β

Strains MW2 and LAC (pTX Δ 16), which harbor a functional Agr system induce a high level of IL-1 β



Possible involvement of the Agr

The accessory gene regulator (Agr), the gene cluster that encodes the peptide quorum-sensing system in *S. aureus*



Phenol-soluble modulins peptides (PSMs) define the virulence potential of *S. aureus*

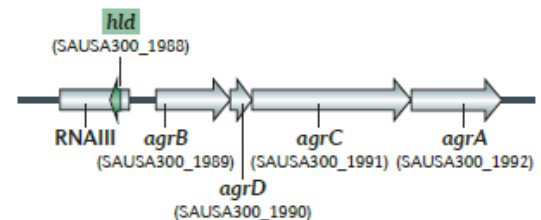
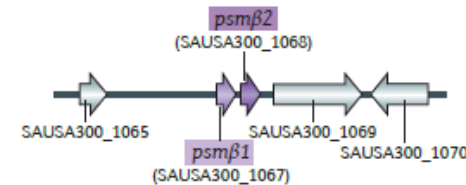
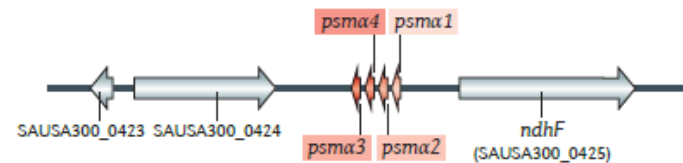
PSM α 1-PSM α 4
 δ -toxin 20-25 amino acids

PSM β 44 amino acids

PSM α 1-PSM α 4 are encoded in the *psm α* operon

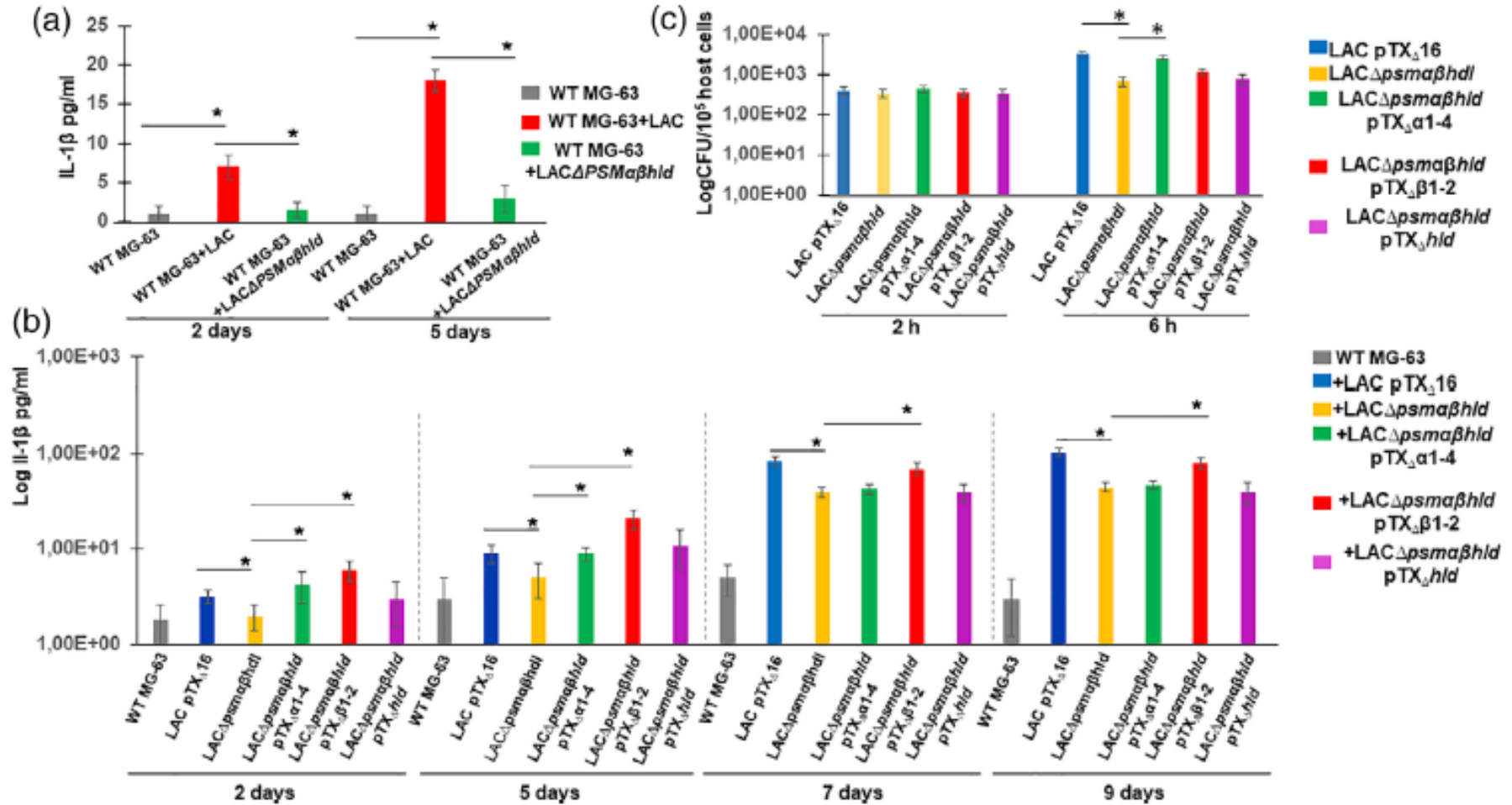
PSM β 1 and PSM β 2 are encoded in the *psm β* operon

δ -toxin is encoded within the coding sequence for RNAIII, the RNA effector molecule of the accessory gene regulator (AGR) quorum-sensing system

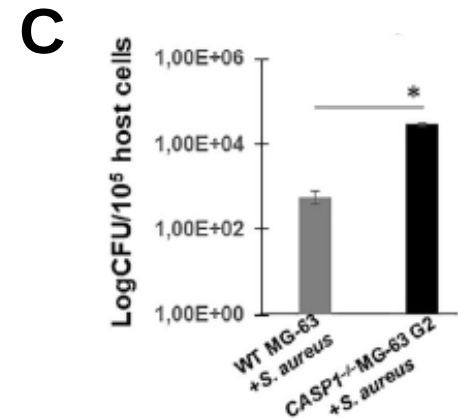
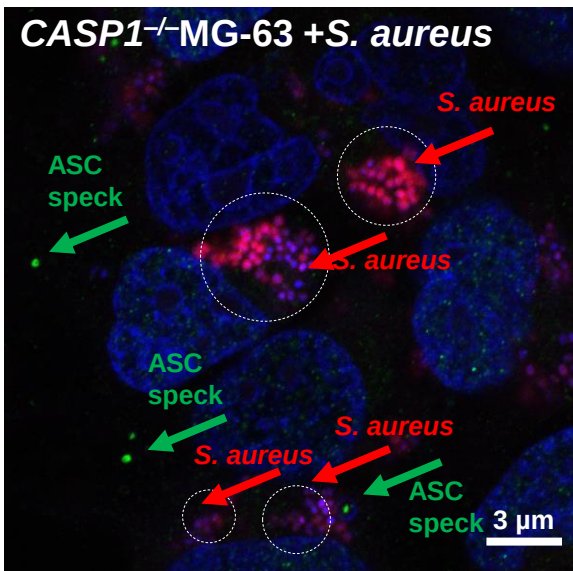
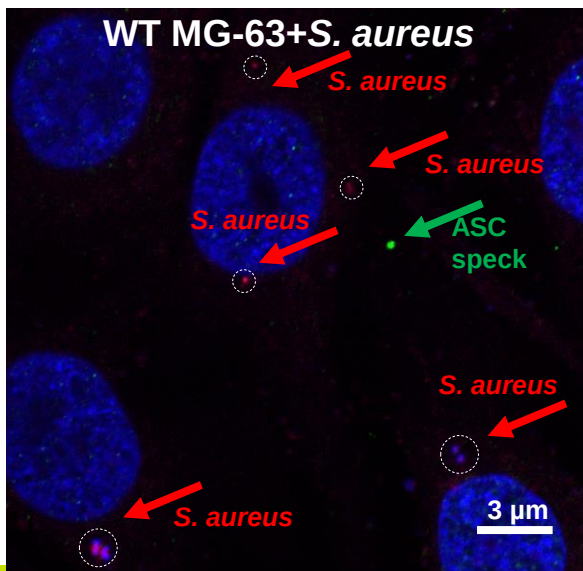
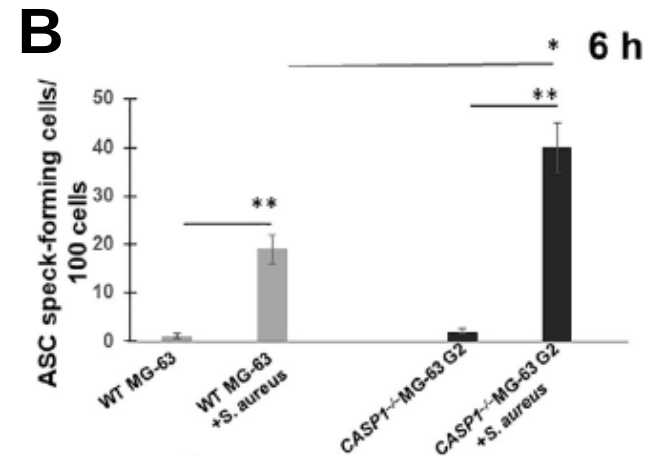
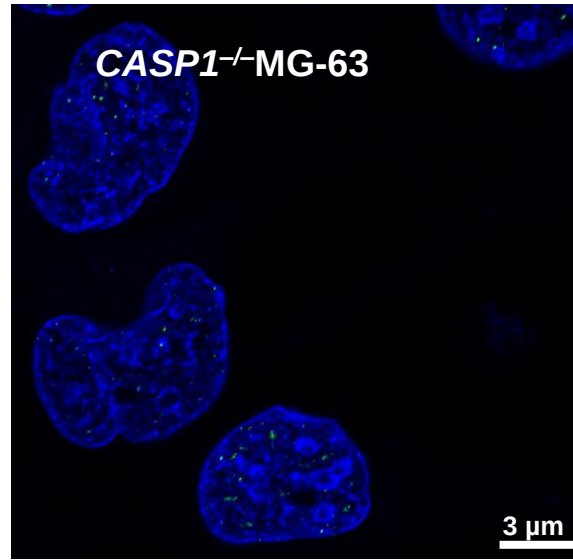
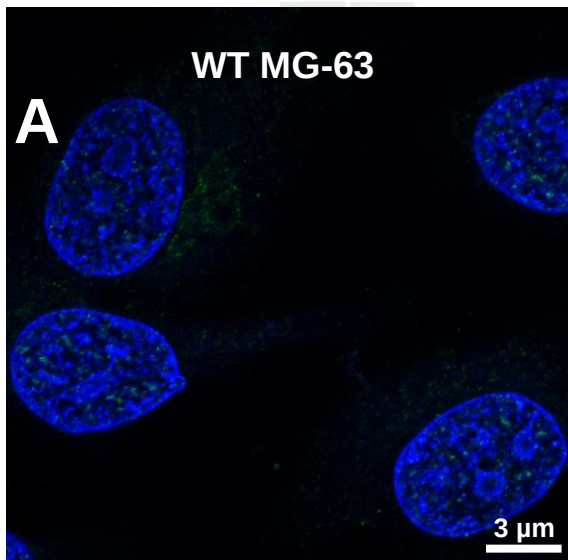


δ-toxin	fMAADIISTIGDLVKWIIDTVNKFKKK	26 (0)
PSMα1	fMGIIAGIIKVIKSLIEQPTGK	21 (+1)
PSMα2	fMGIIAGIIKFIKGLIEKFTGK	21 (+2)
PSMα3	fMEFVAKLFKFKDLLGKFLGNN	22 (+1)
PSMα4	fMDFTGVITSIIDLIKTCTQAFG	22 (+1)
PSMβ1	fMEGLFNAIKDTVTAAINNDGAKLGTISIVIVENGVLLGKLFGF	44 (-2)
PSMβ2	fMEGLAEAIANTVQAAQQHDVSVKLGTISIVDIVANGVLLGKLFGF	44 (-1.9)

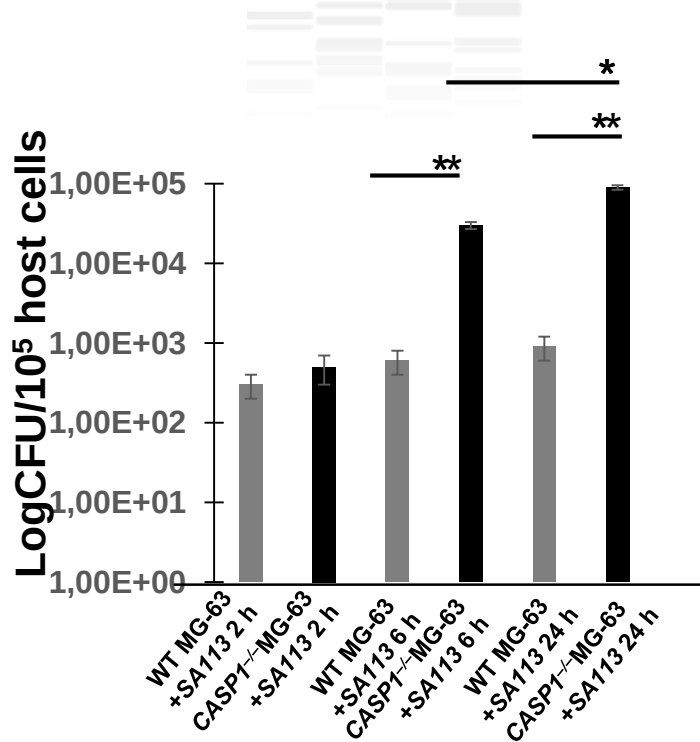
S. aureus PSM toxins are involved in stimulation of IL-1 β release by infected MG-63 cells



Higher number of ASC specks in *S. aureus* infected $CASP1^{-/-}$ MG-63 cells compared to WT MG-63 cells

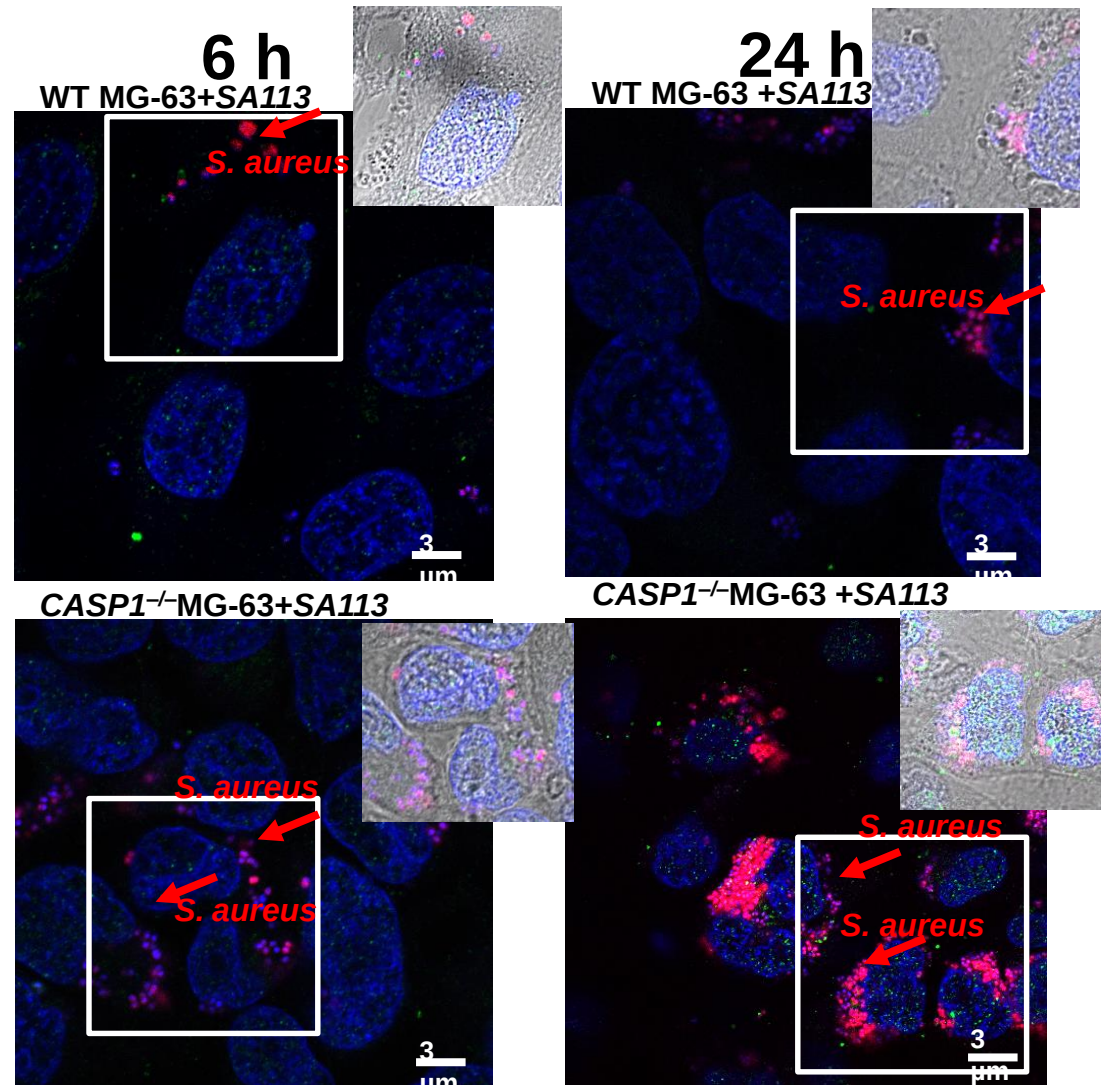


S. aureus clearance by osteoblast-like MG-63 cells depends on caspase-1

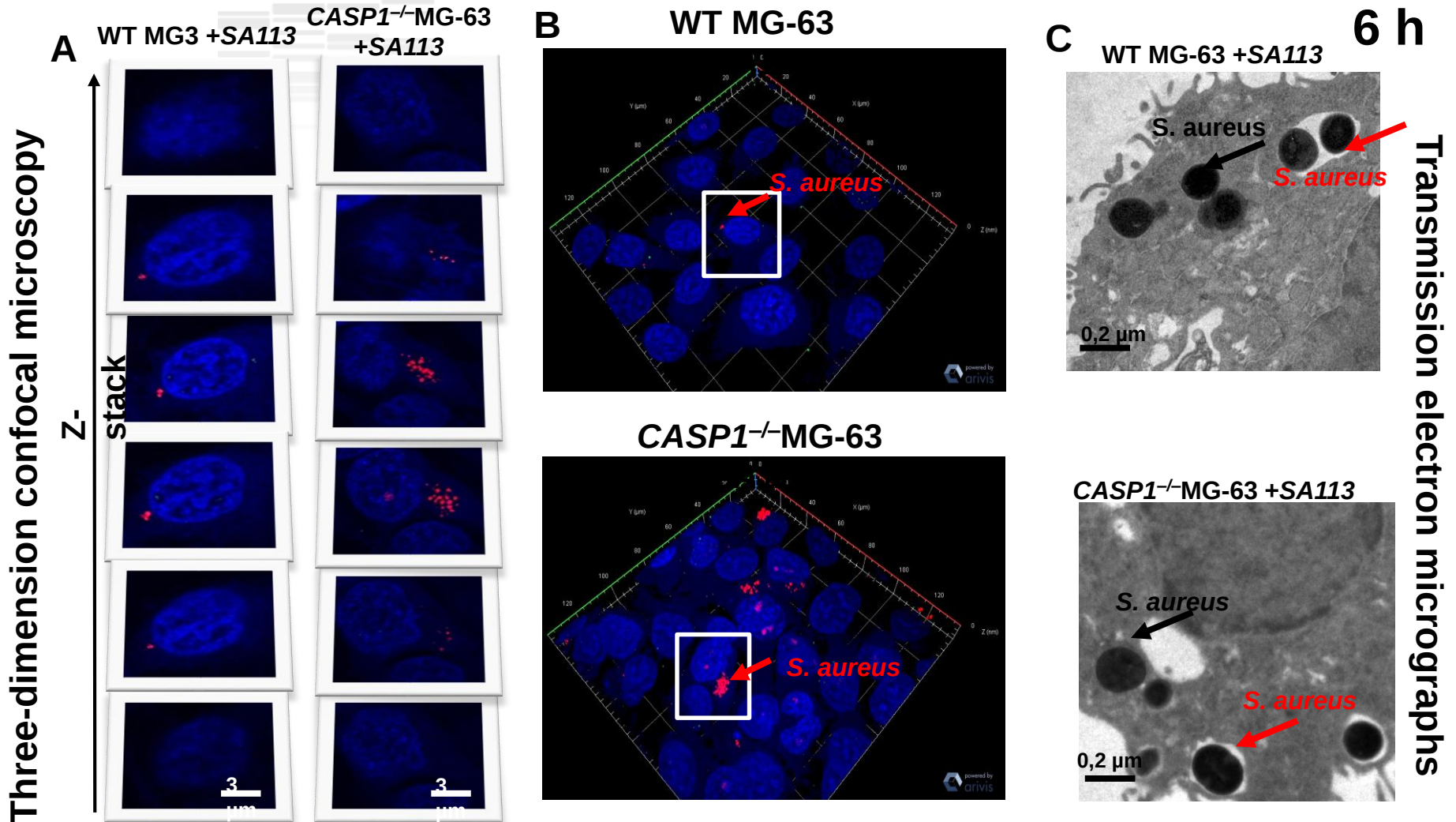


Internalization of *S. aureus* (2h) was not impaired in CASP1^{-/-} MG-63 cells

Higher number of intracellular *S. aureus* was observed in CASP1^{-/-} MG-63 cells compared to WT MG-63 cells 6h and 24h post-infection

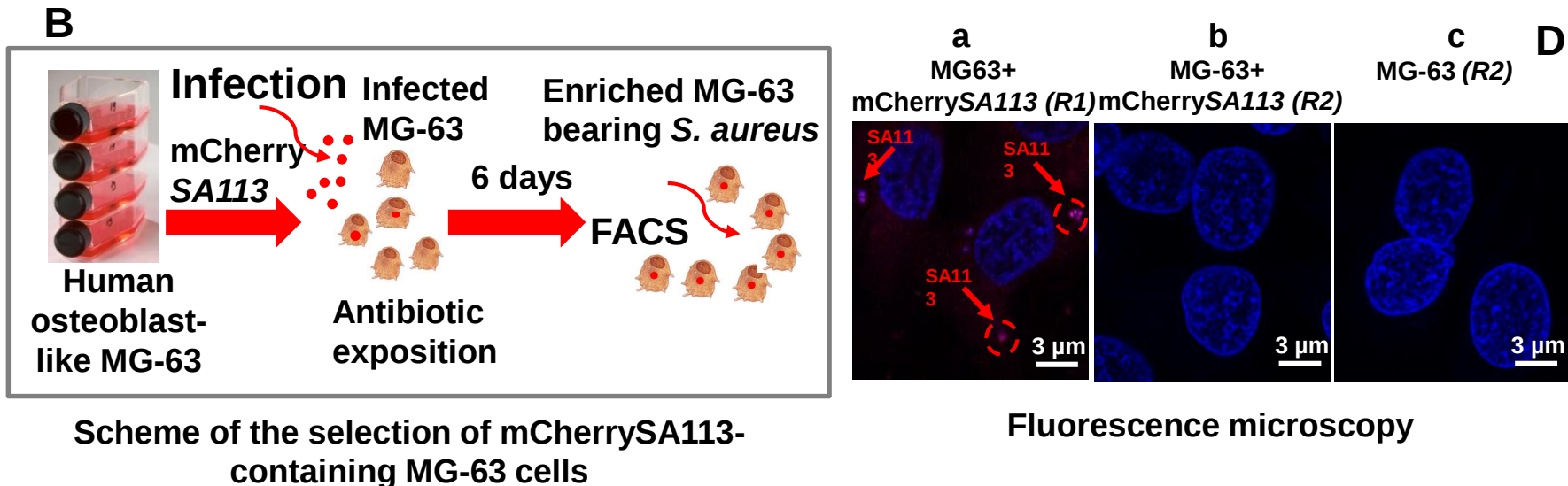
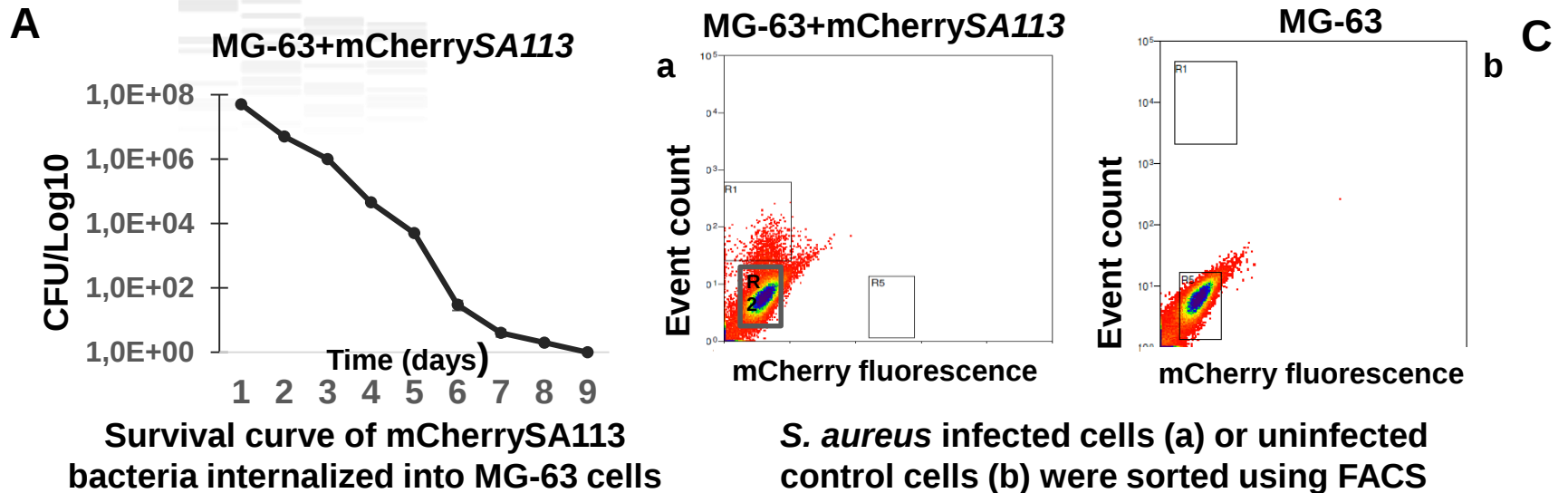


Cytoplasmic localization of internalized *S. aureus*

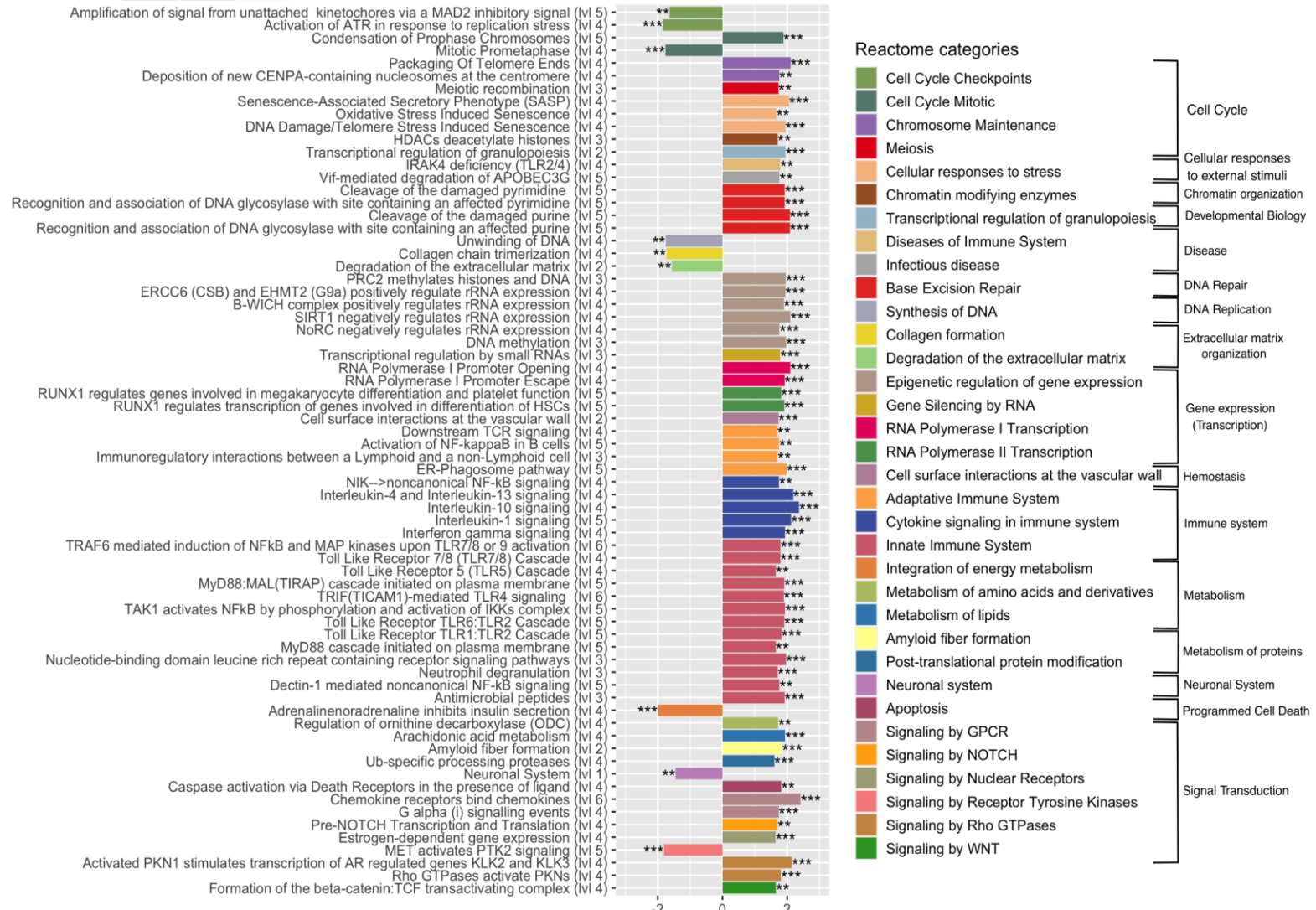


Most internalized bacteria are surrounded by phagosomal/lysosomal membranes, some bacteria are scattered freely in the cytosol

Development of an infection model to isolate solely cells containing internalized *S. aureus*



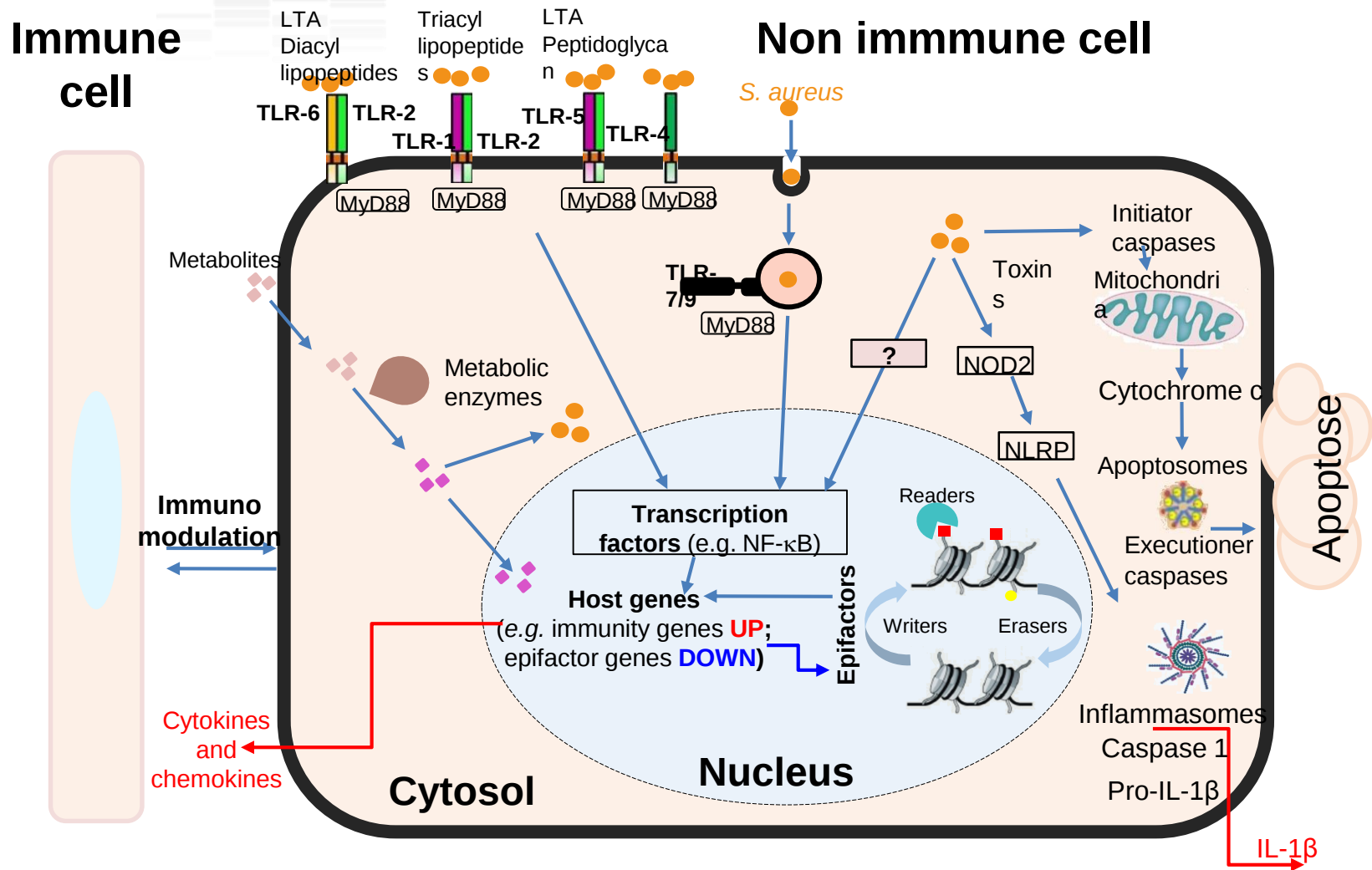
Immune system and signal transduction genes are among the top highly induced DEGs



Enriched Reactome pathways in infected cells.

Enriched Reactome pathways in infected cells. Gene-set enrichment analysis was performed in *S. aureus*-bearing cells compared to uninfected control cells by ReactomePA software.

Schematic model of the immune, metabolic and epigenetic dysregulated signatures induced *S. aureus* infection





CONCLUSIONS

Non-professional phagocytes induce an immune response against *S. aureus* through inflammasomes activation and processing of IL-1 β

The outcome of the infection depends on the balance between the host immune response and the action of main *S. aureus* virulence factors, such as PSMs, whose production differ among the *S. aureus* strains

The active caspase-1 prevents exacerbated intracellular replication of *S. aureus* in non-professional phagocyte

Our findings suggest that pathogens, which inhibit caspase-1 activation, do so not only to govern the generation of inflammatory cytokines but also to permit bacterial replication

Our results provide an atlas of deregulated host genes and biological pathways and identify novel markers and potential candidates for prophylactic and therapeutic approaches

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