

# **Bacteria Cancer Therapy**

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**Coley WB**

## Historical background

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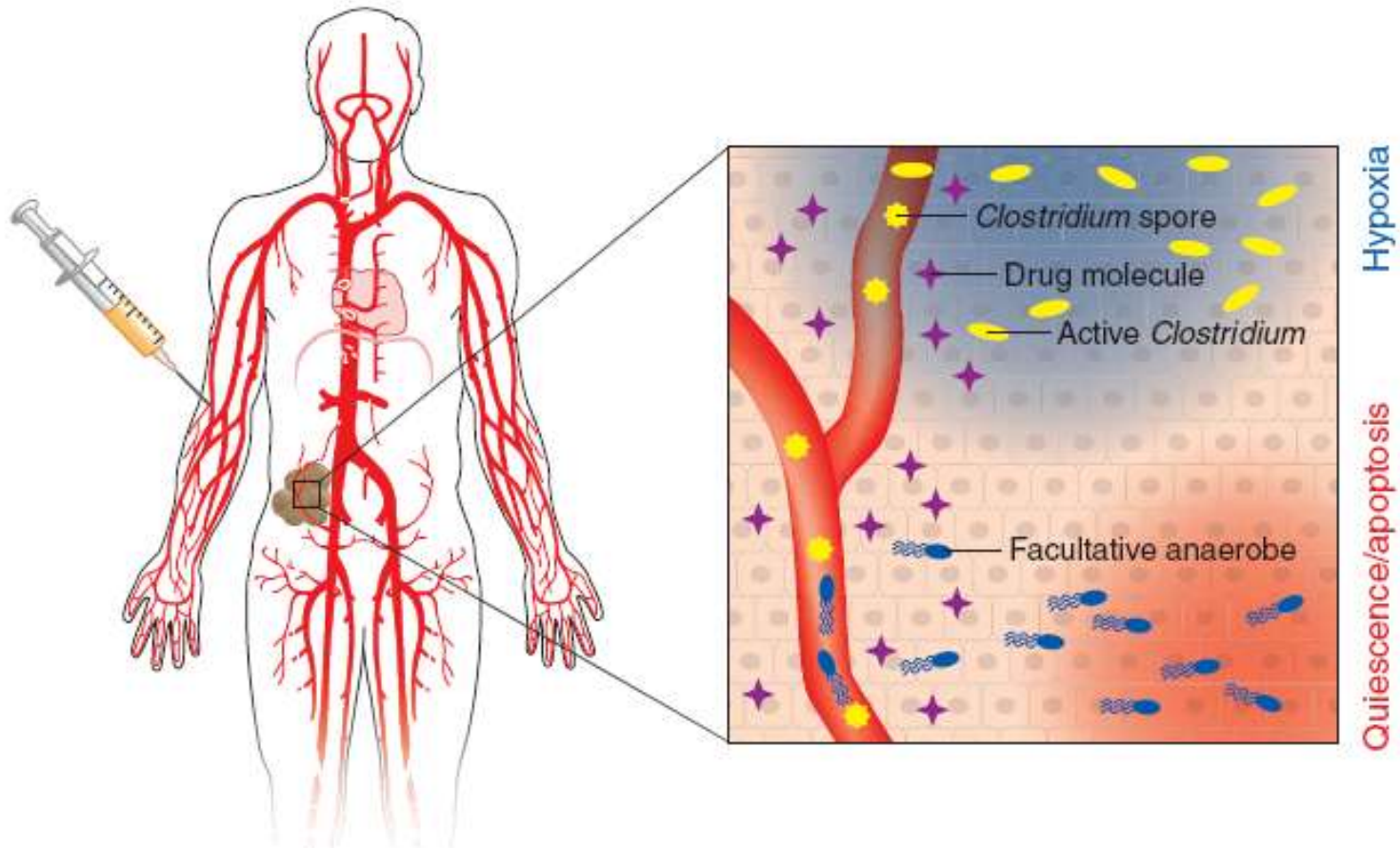
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# Targeting of obligate and facultative anaerobes to tumors



## Targeting vectors and systemic delivery



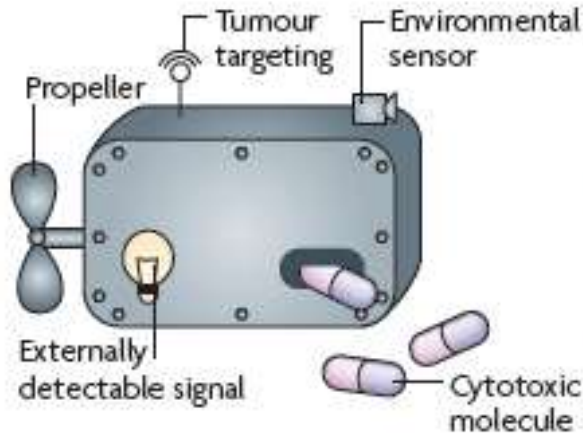
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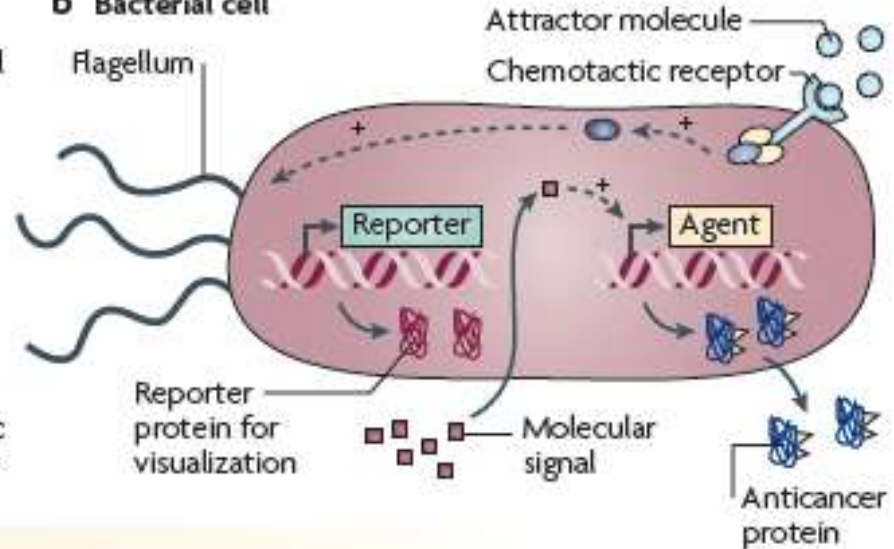
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# Bacteria are the optimal robot factory cancer therapy

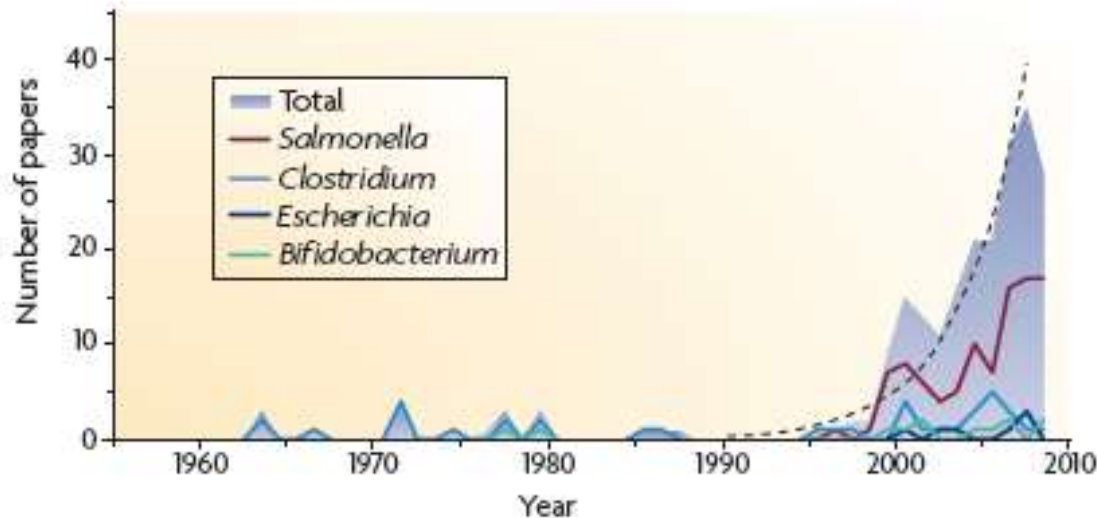
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**b Bacterial cell**

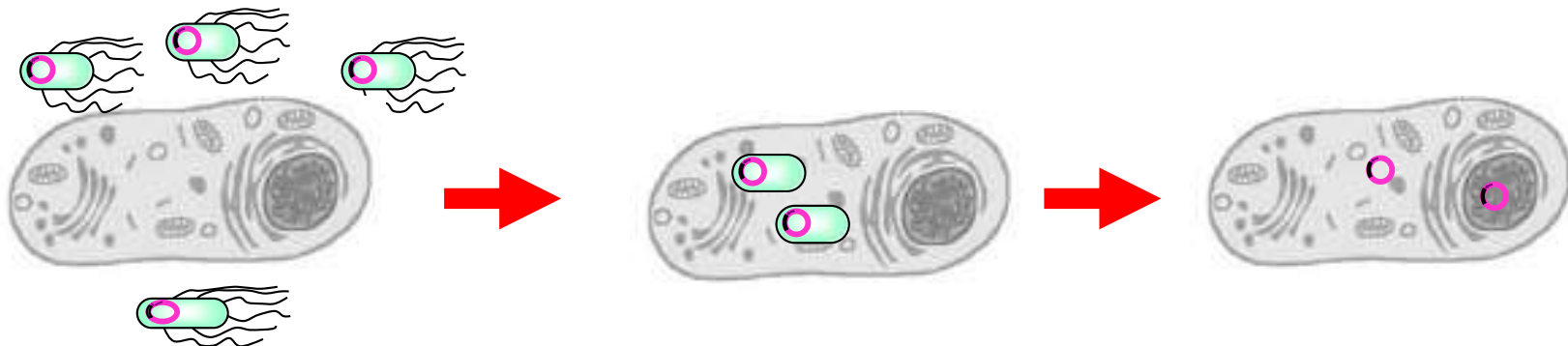


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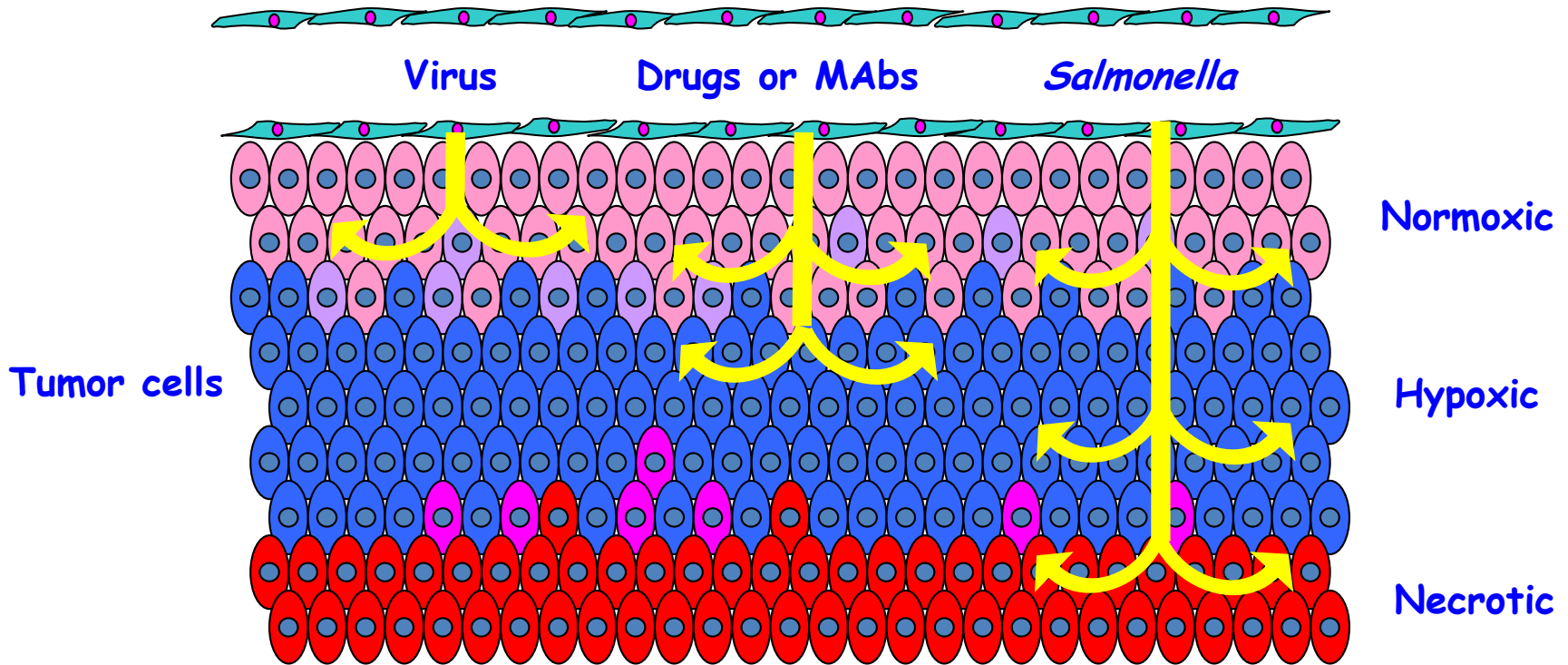
# Bactofection versus alternative gene therapy

|                         | <i>Viral vectors</i> | <i>Nonviral vectors</i> | <i>Bacterial vectors</i> |
|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Safety                  | +                    | +++                     | +                        |
| Efficiency              | +++                  | +                       | +                        |
| Low production costs    | +                    | ++                      | +++                      |
| Simple production       | +                    | ++                      | +++                      |
| Simple delivery         | ++                   | +                       | +++                      |
| Amount of delivered DNA | ++                   | +                       | +++                      |





# Salmonella may bring new approach to cancer therapy

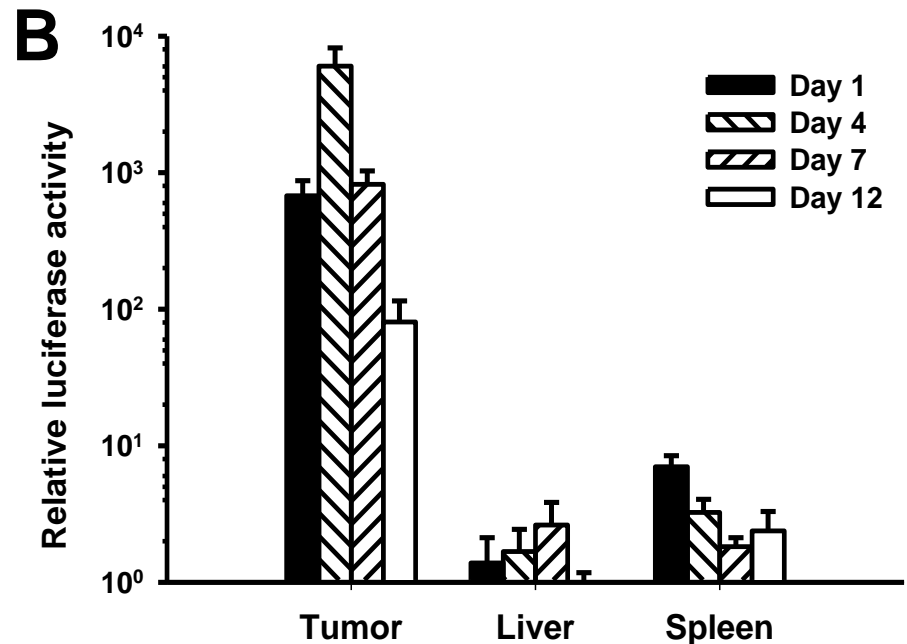
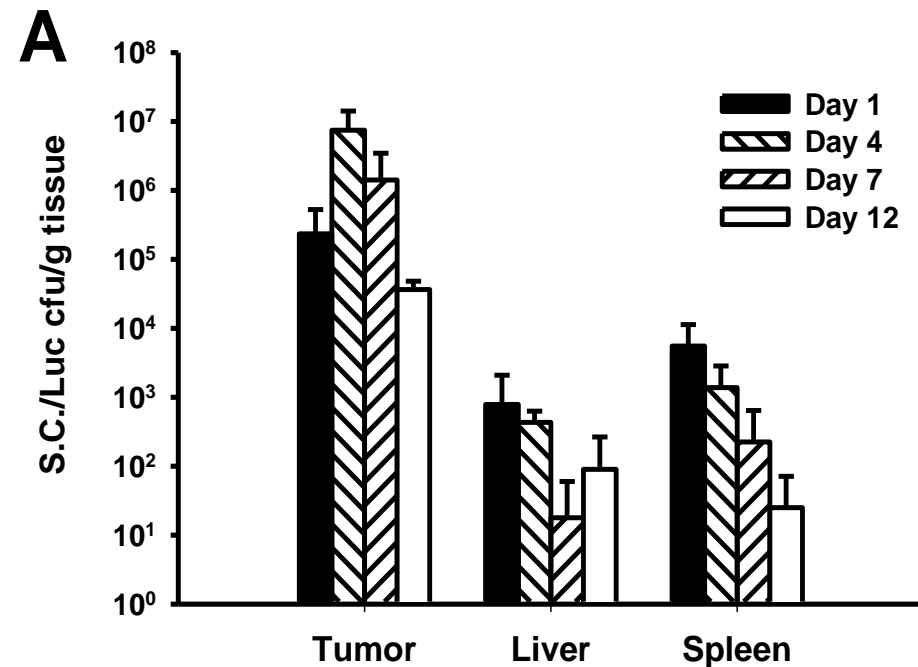


## Advantages of *Salmonella*:

- Motility
- Transgene capacity
- Facultative anaerobic
- Cheaper

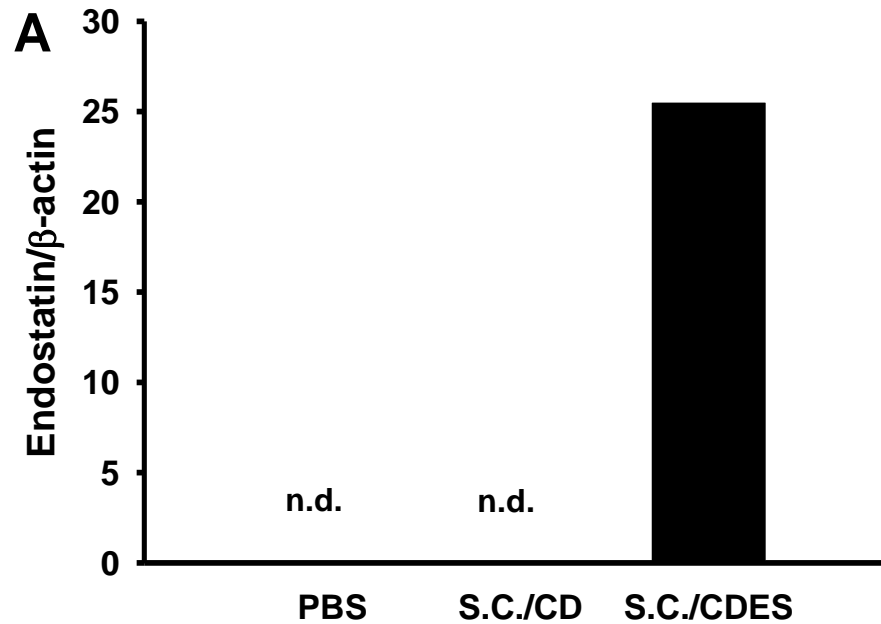
# Employment of *Salmonella* in cancer gene therapy

# Plasmid DNA transfer from *Salmonella* to tumor *in vivo*

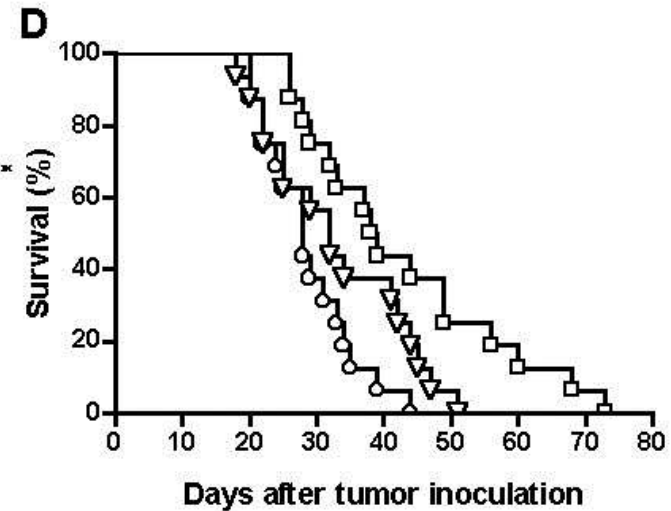
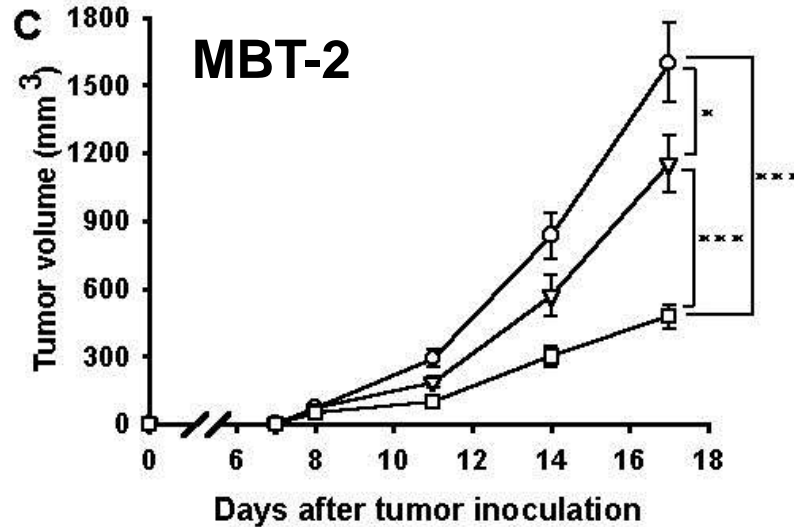
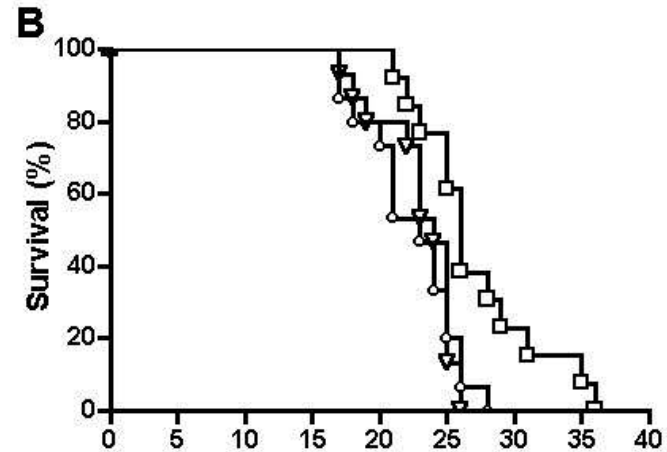
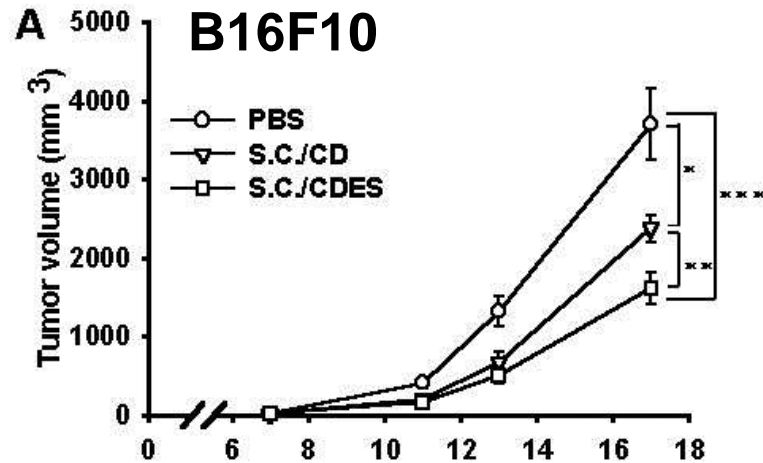


***Salmonella* preferentially accumulated and retained in large amounts in the tumors where salmonella-mediated gene transfer occurred.**

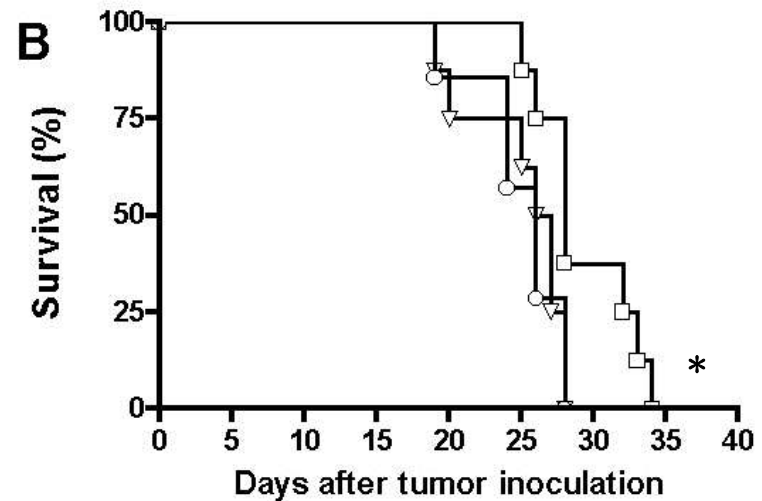
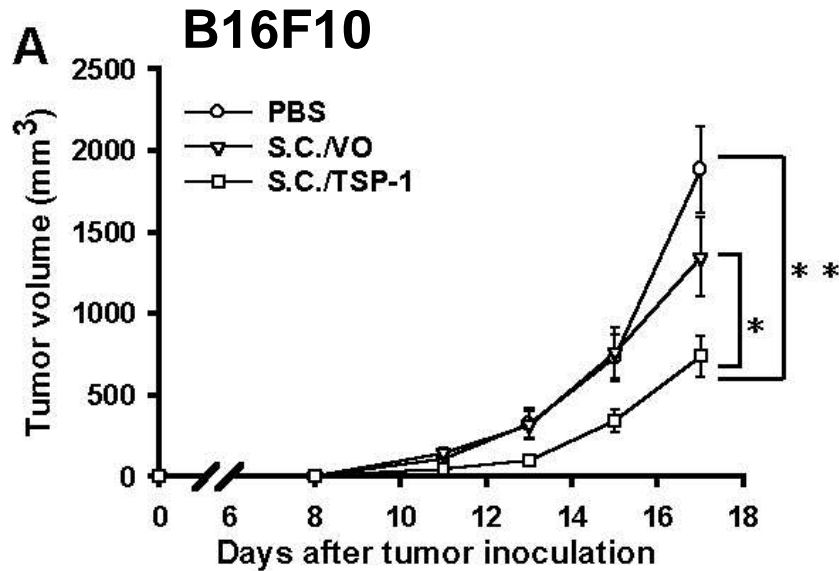
# Expression of angiogenic inhibitors in cells via *Salmonella*-mediated gene transfer



# Antitumor effects of *Salmonella* carrying endostatin gene on tumor-bearing mice



## Antitumor effects of *Salmonella* carrying TSP-1 gene on mice bearing subcutaneous melanoma

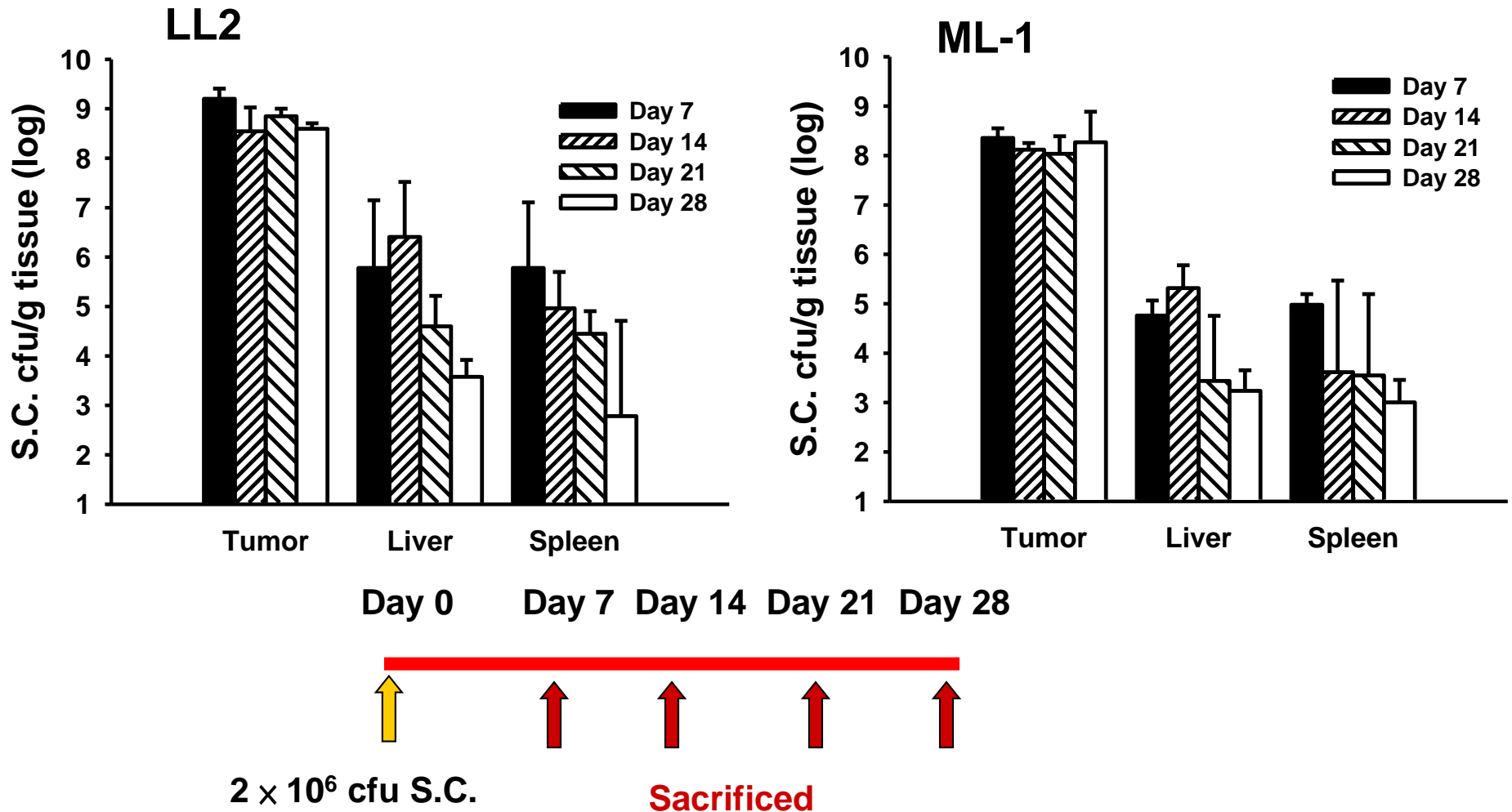


Cancer Gene Ther. 12: 175, 2005.

***Salmonella* carrying a eukaryotic expression vector encoding antiangiogenic genes exerted antitumor effects on various tumor models.**

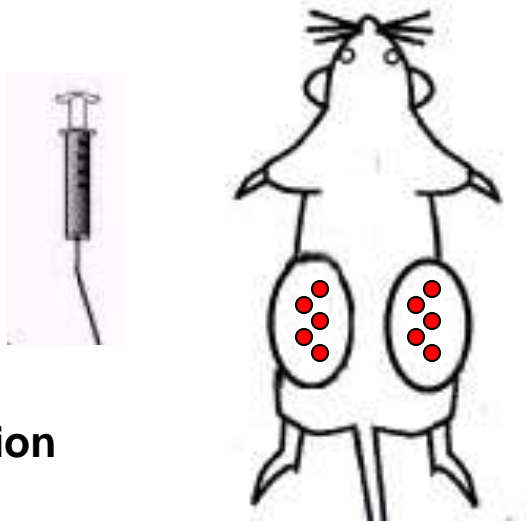
**Systemic administration of attenuated  
*Salmonella* in combination with  
cisplatin for cancer therapy**

# Tumor-targeting potential of *Salmonella* in immunocompetent mice

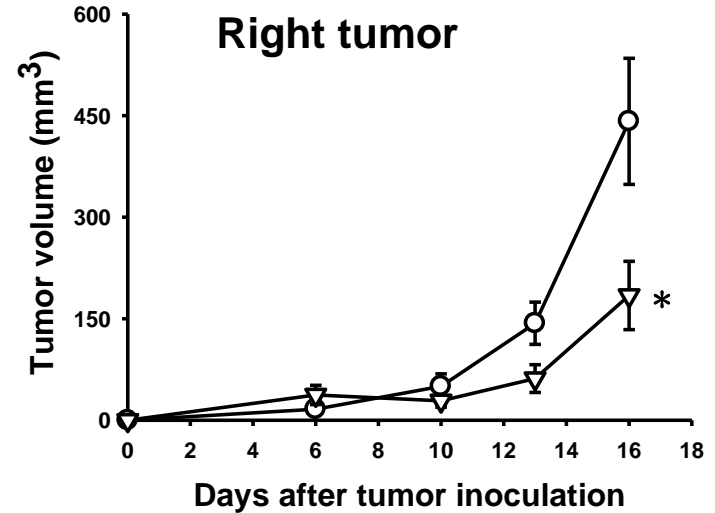
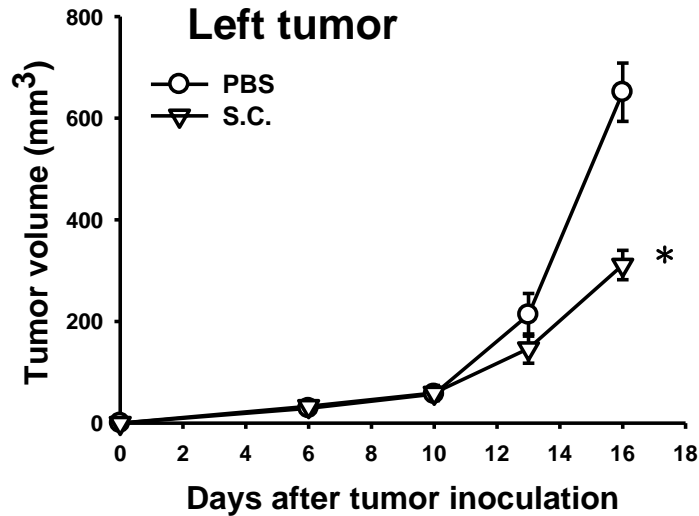
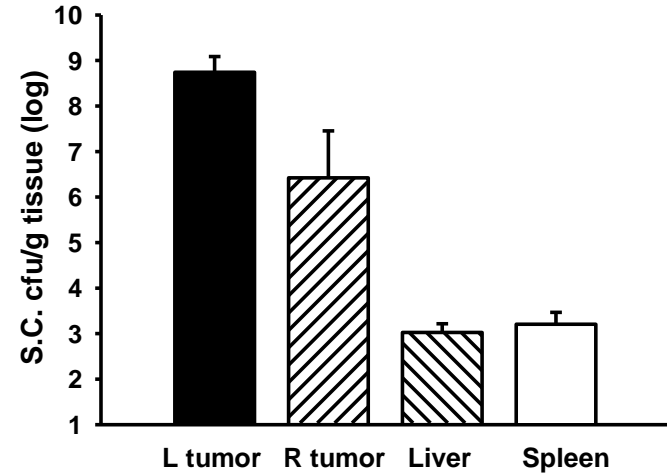




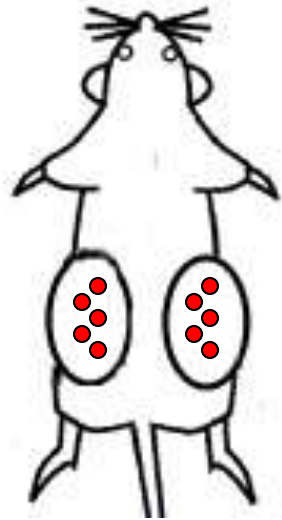
# Preferential accumulation of *Salmonella* in the bilateral tumors from mice administered locally with *Salmonella*



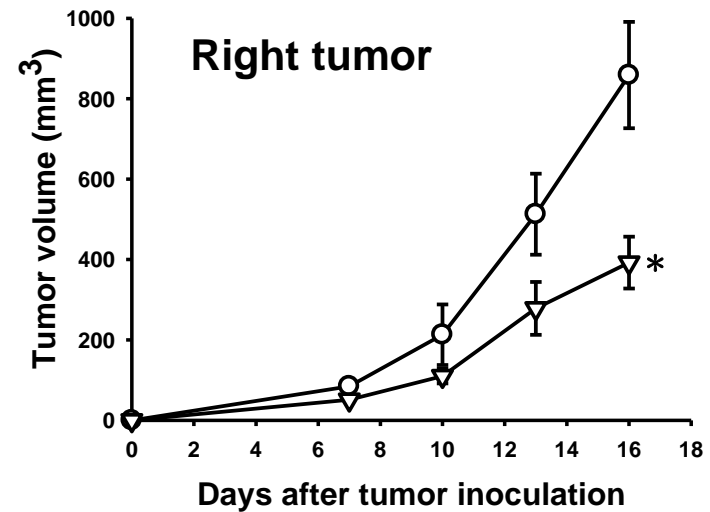
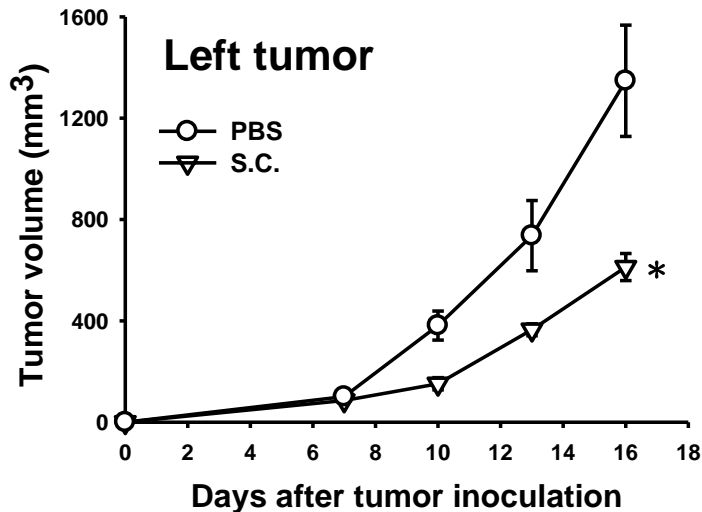
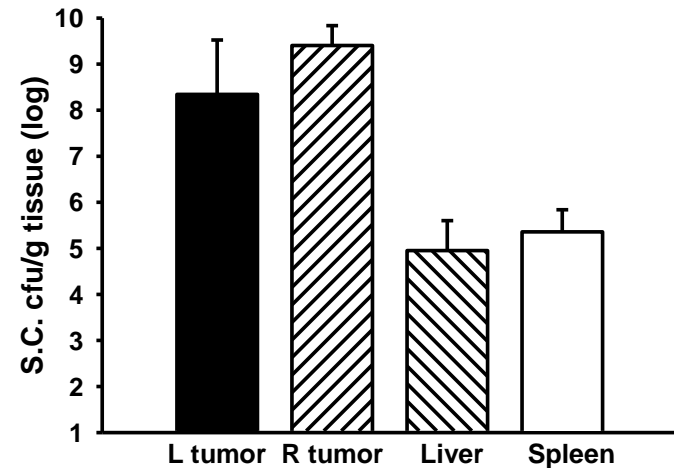
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# Preferential accumulation of *Salmonella* in the bilateral tumors from mice administered systemically with *Salmonella*



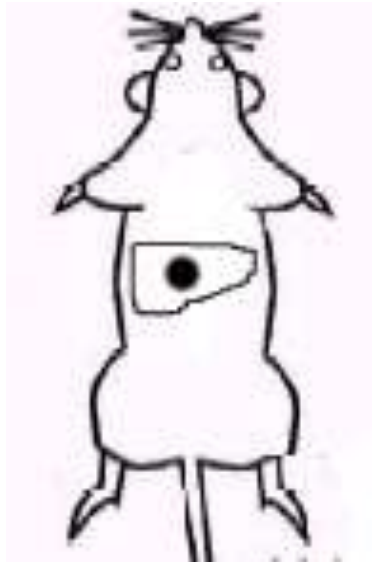
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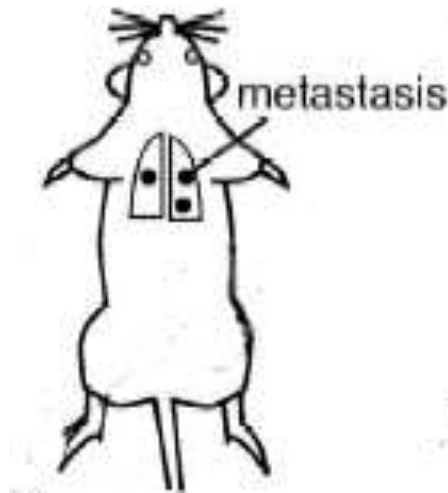
The tumor-targeting property of *Salmonella* provides impetus to explore its use in inhibiting tumor growth at distant sites.

# Establishment of orthotopic tumor models

Orthotopic liver tumor model



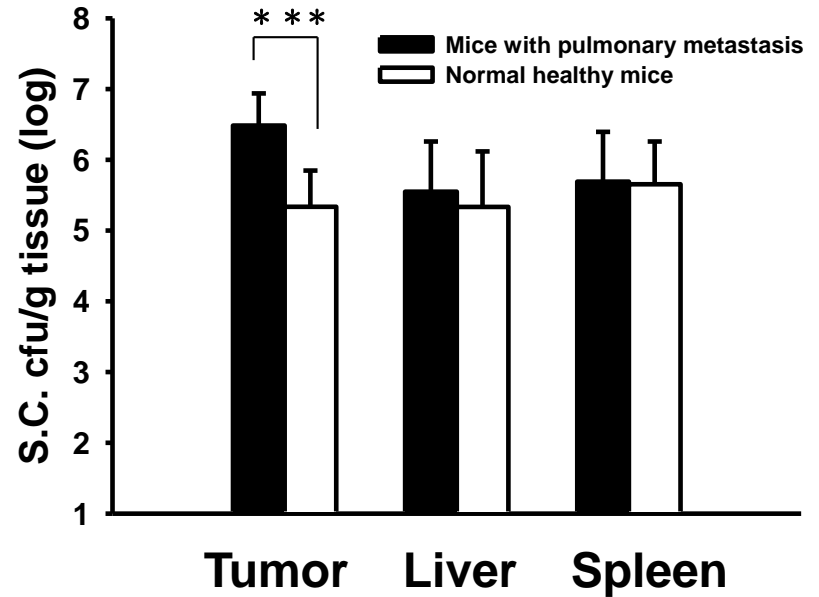
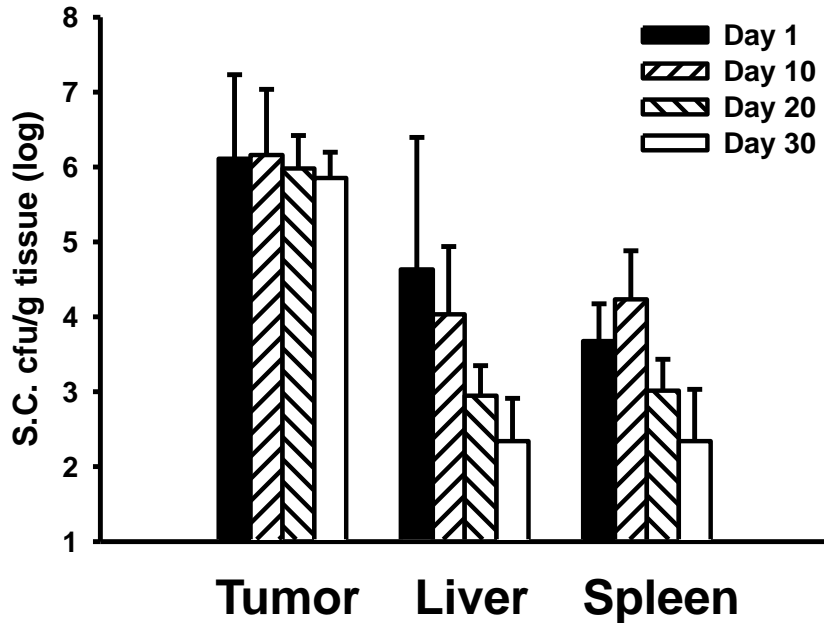
Orthotopic lung tumor model



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# Preferential accumulation of *Salmonella* in orthotopic tumors

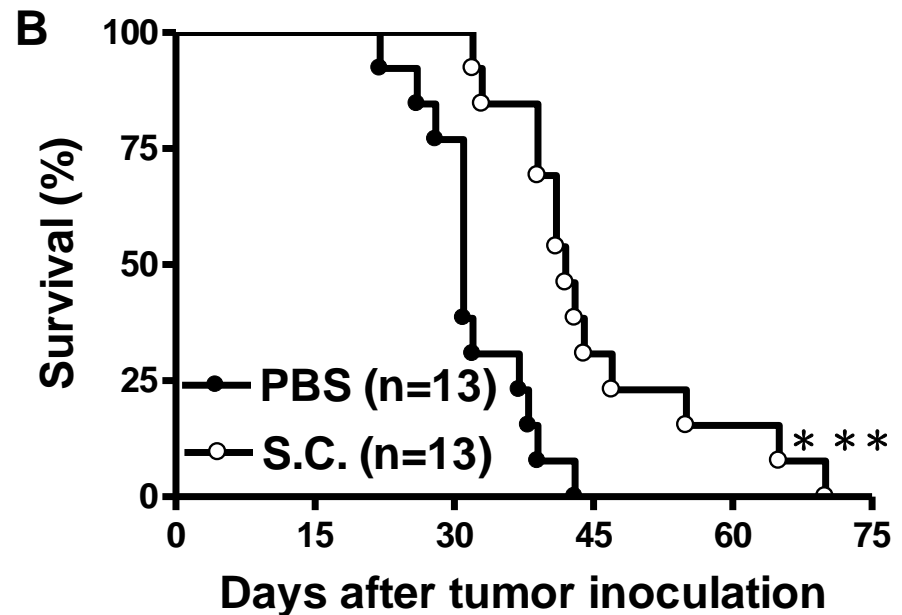
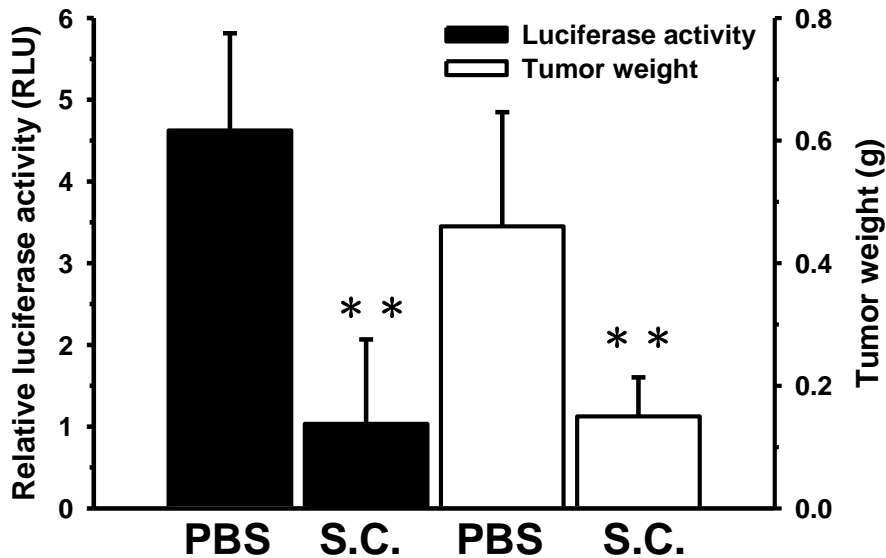
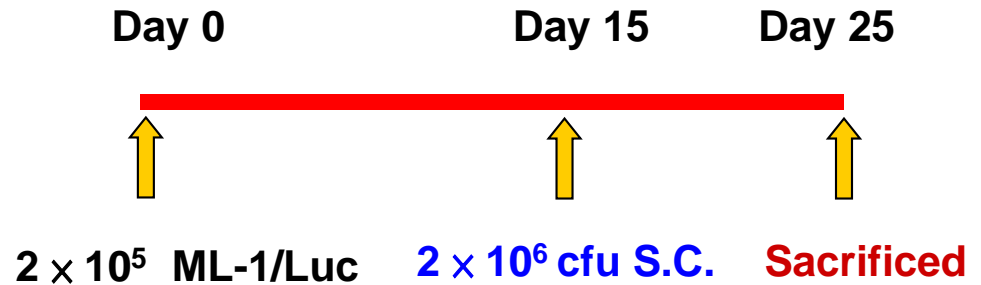
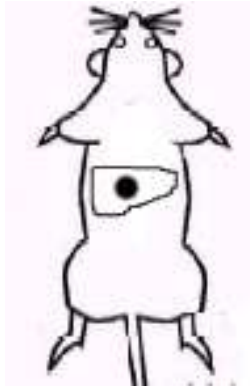


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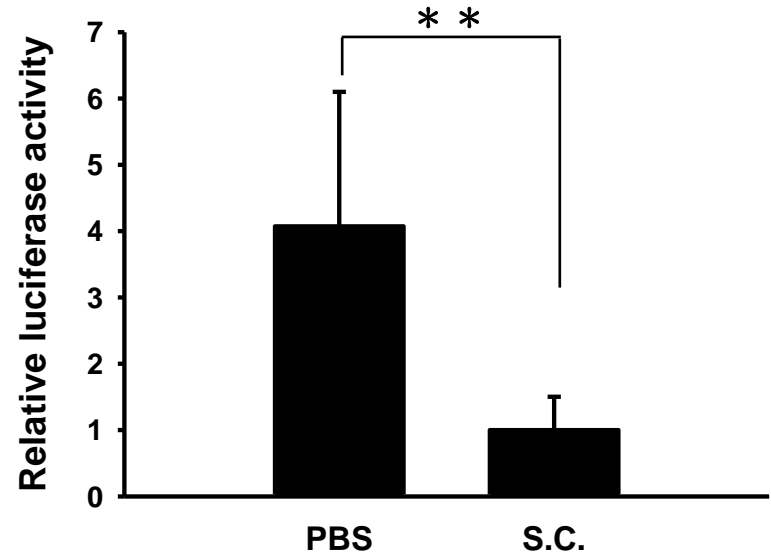
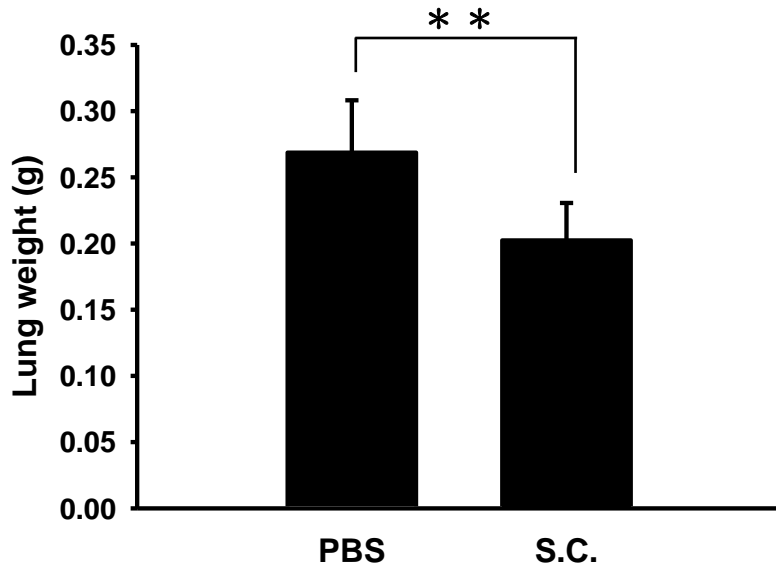
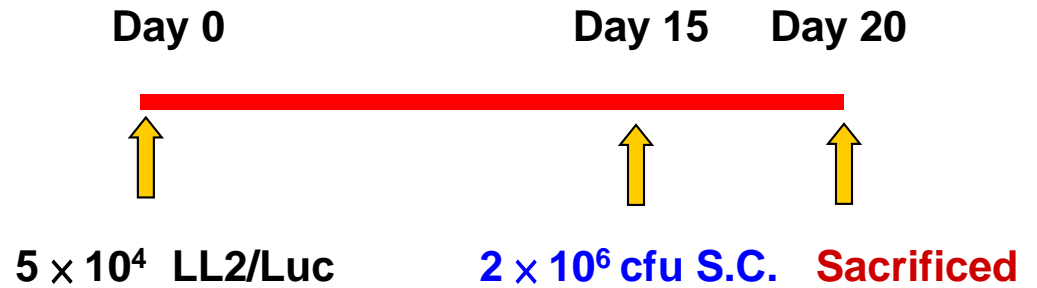
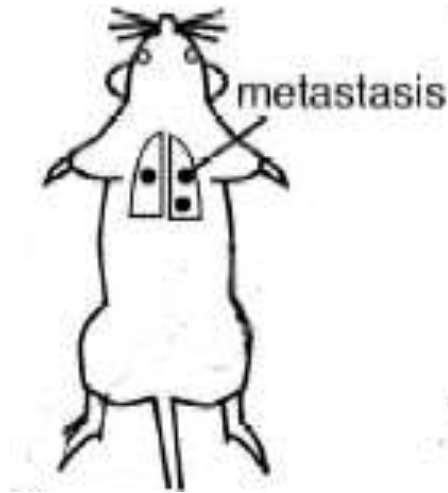
***Salmonella* accumulated in not only subcutaneous but also orthotopic tumors after systemic administration.**

# Antitumor effects of *Salmonella* on orthotopic ML-1 tumors

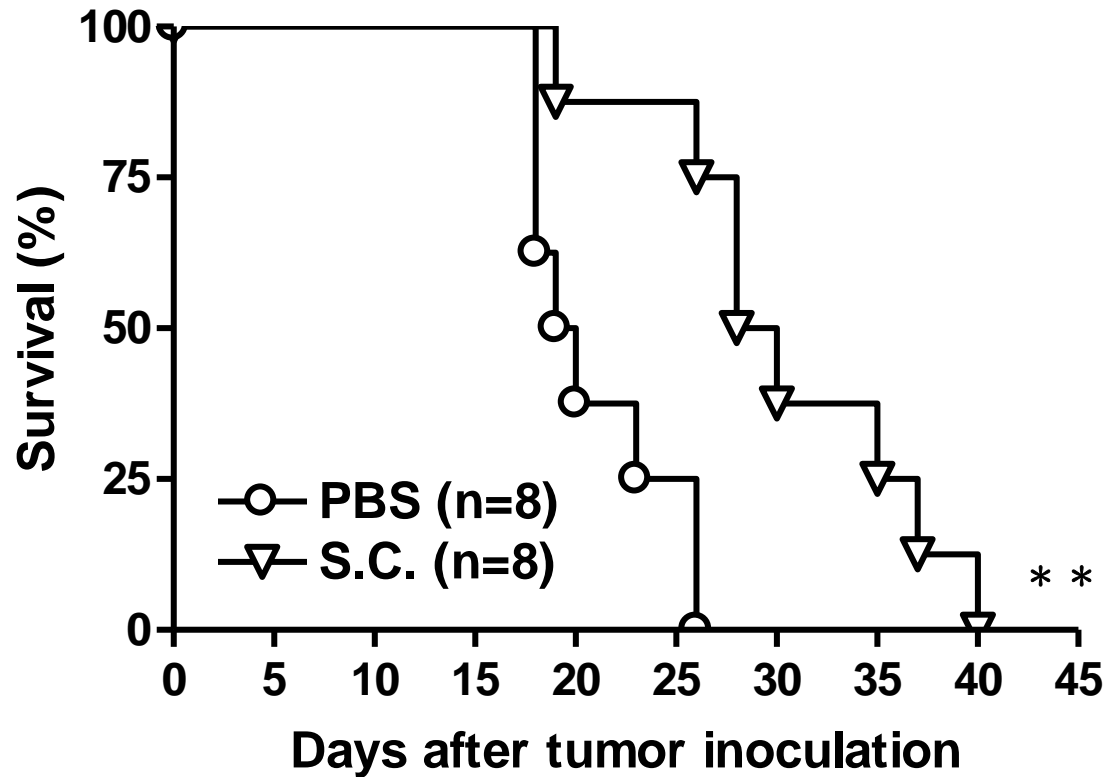


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# Antitumor effects of *Salmonella* on mice bearing pulmonary metastatic tumors



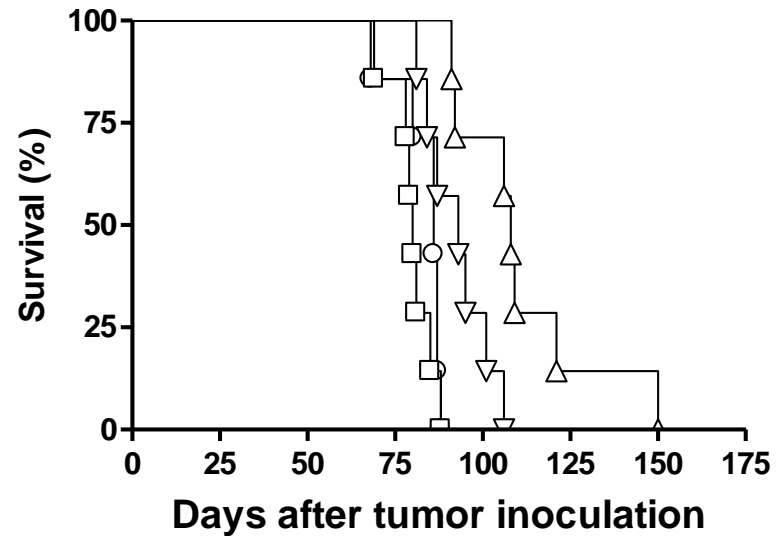
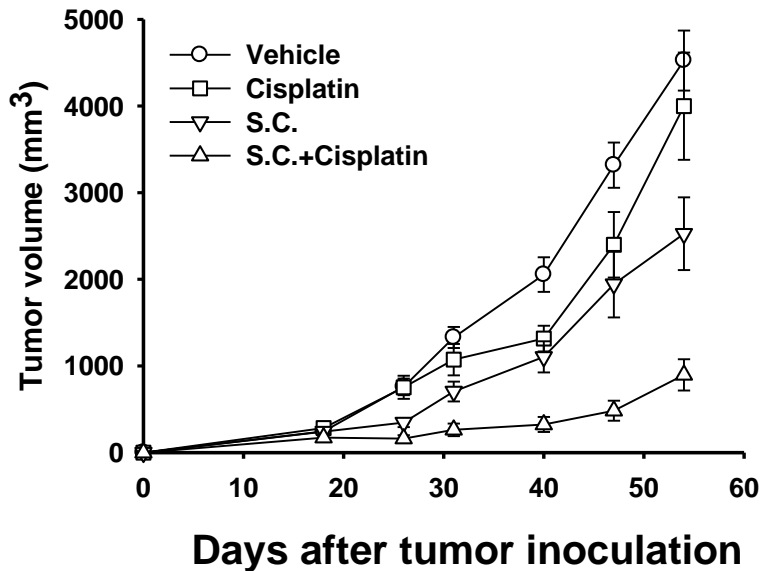
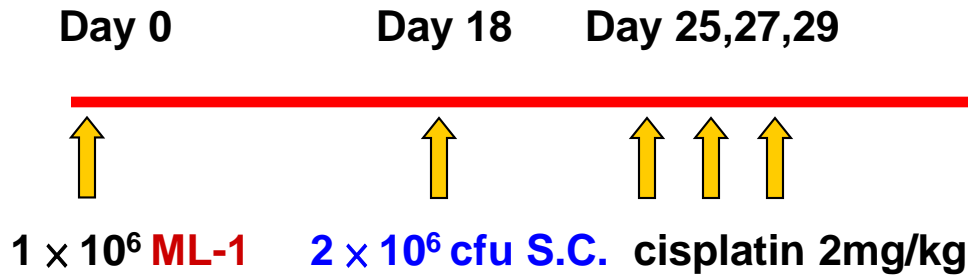
# Prolongation in survival time of the mice bearing experimental metastasis by systemic delivery of *Salmonella*



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Systemic delivery of *Salmonella* delayed tumor growth and enhanced survival of the mice bearing orthotopic tumors.

# Additive antitumor effects of *Salmonella* in combination with cisplatin on subcutaneous ML-1 tumors



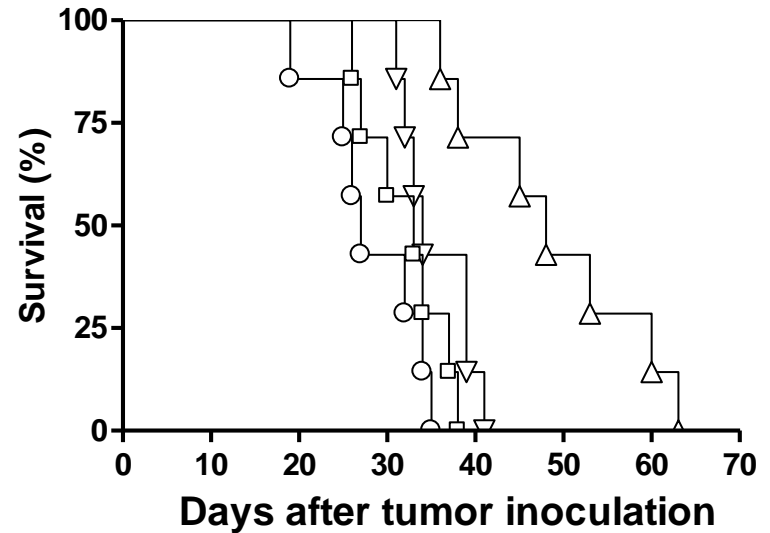
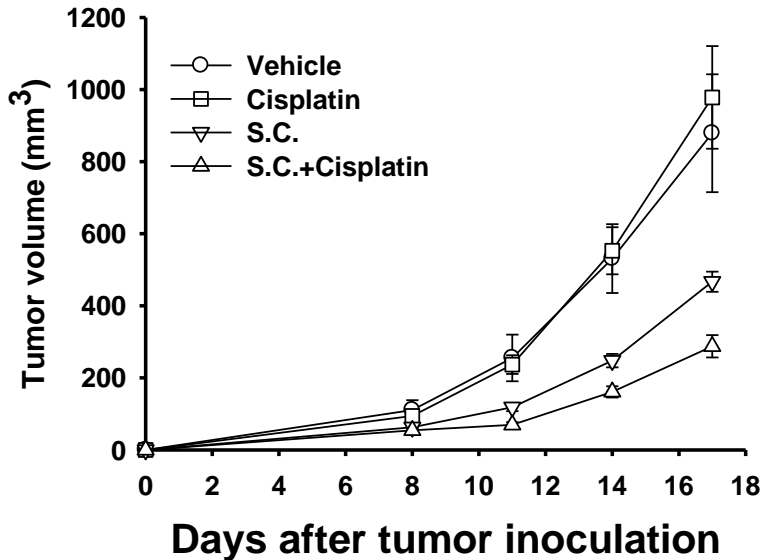
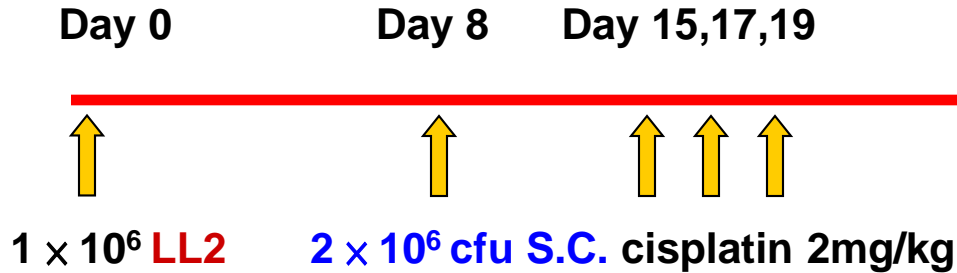
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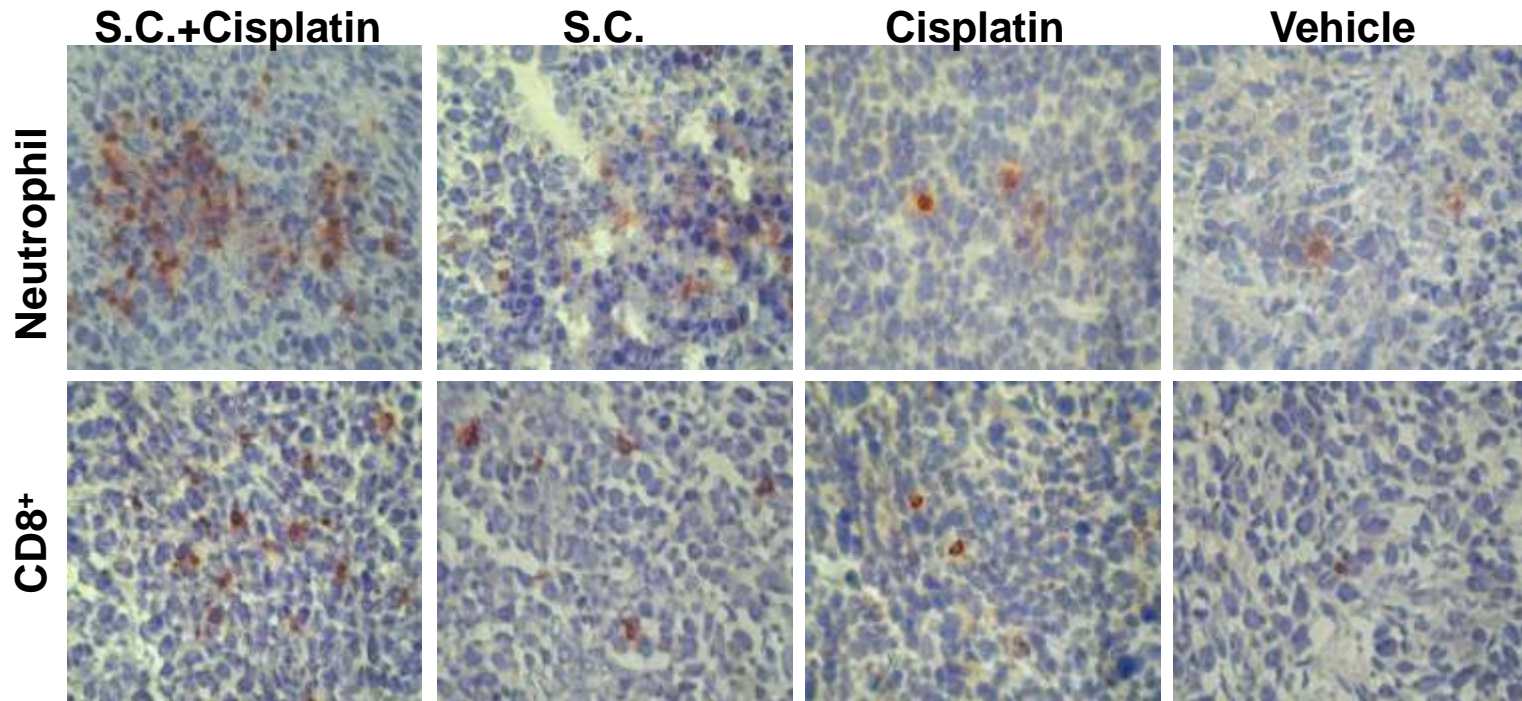
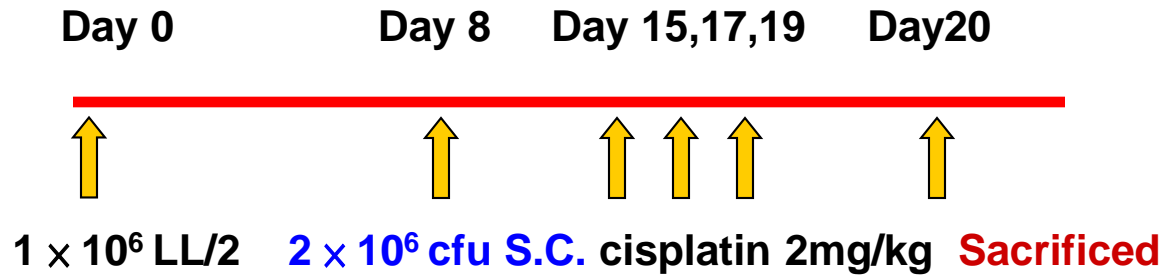
# Additive antitumor effects of *Salmonella* in combination with cisplatin on subcutaneous LL2 tumors



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vehicle;  $P < 0.05$  for S.C. *versus* vehicle)

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or vehicle;  $P < 0.05$  for S.C. *versus* vehicle)

**Increases in neutrophil and CD8<sup>+</sup> T-cell infiltrates in the tumors from LL2 tumor-bearing mice treated with *Salmonella* in combination with cisplatin**



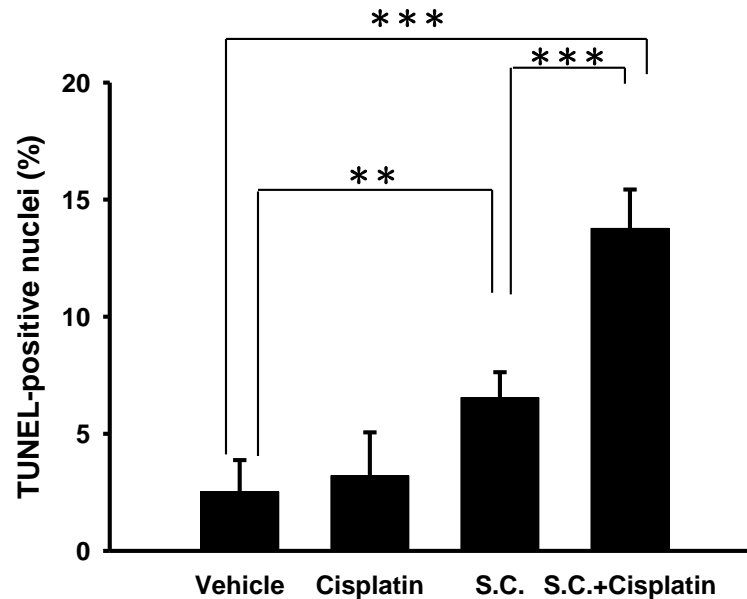
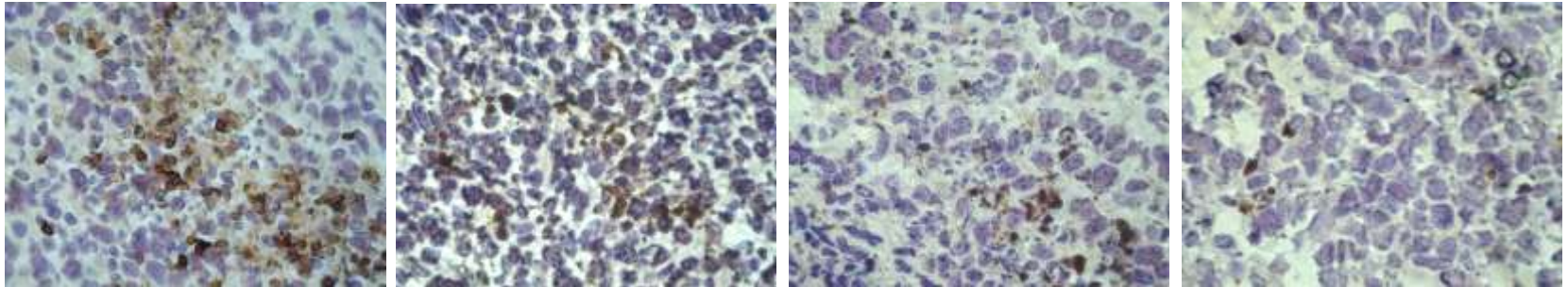
## Increase in tumor cells undergoing apoptosis in LL2 tumor-bearing mice treated with *Salmonella* in combination with cisplatin

S.C.+Cisplatin

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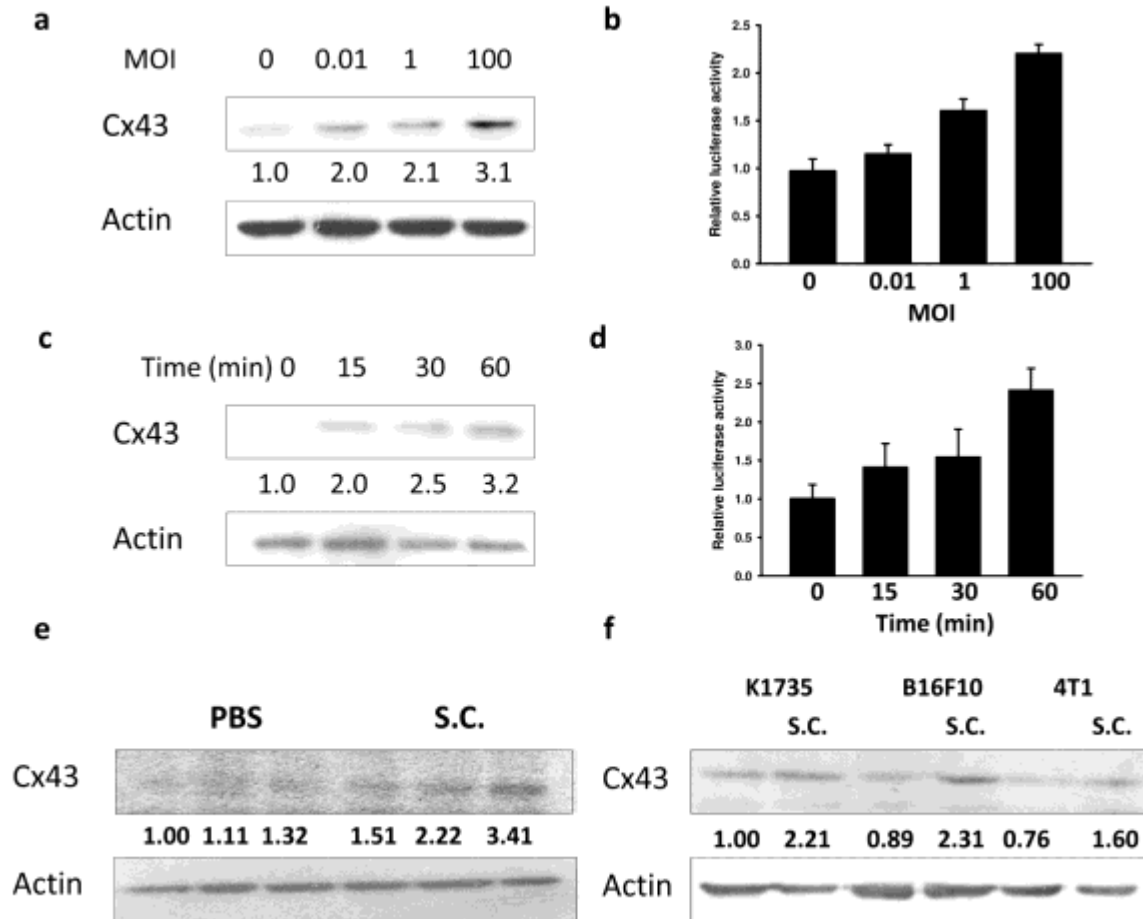
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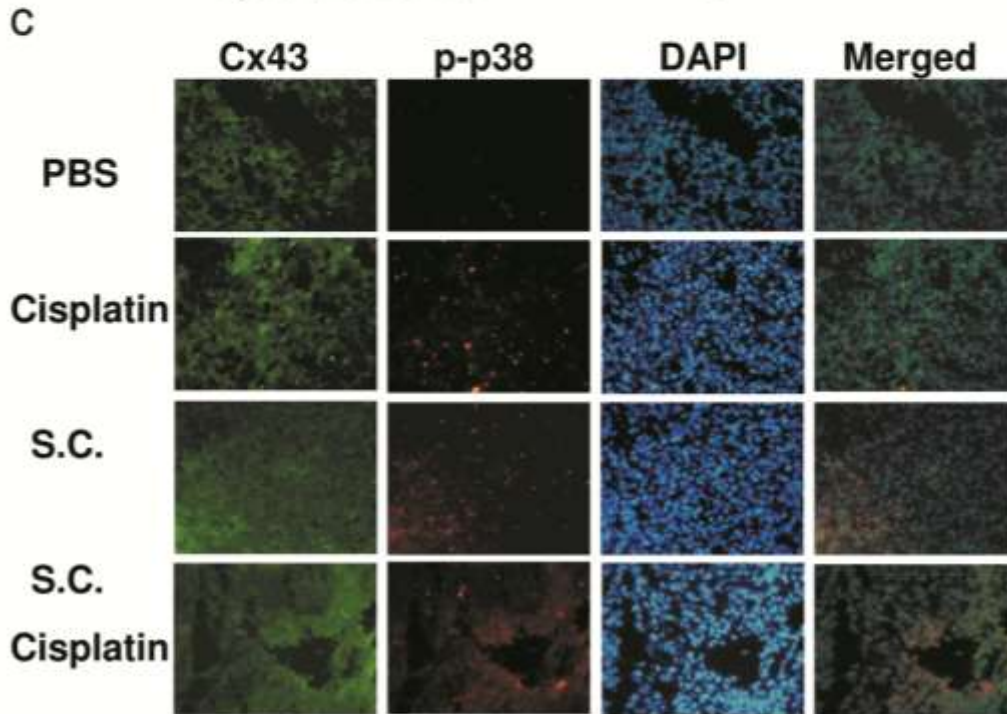
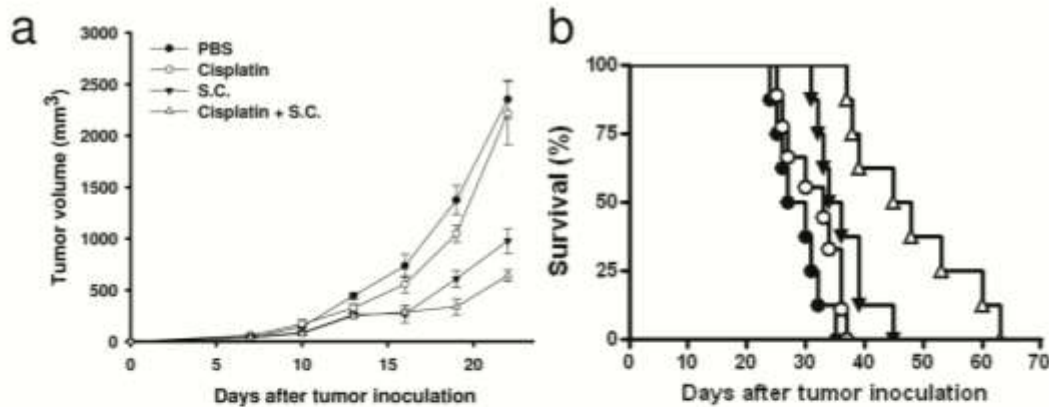
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The combination therapy with *Salmonella* and low-dose cisplatin resulted in retarding tumor growth, increasing infiltrating neutrophils and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells, as well as enhancing apoptosis in the tumors.

# Salmonella induced Cx43 expression in tumors

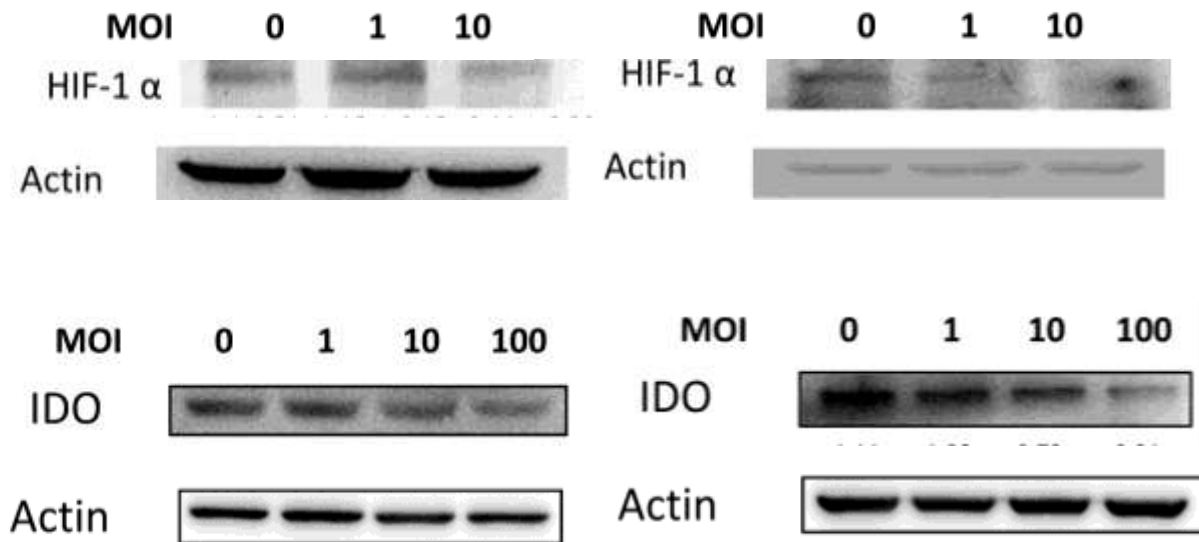


# Additive antitumor effects of *Salmonella* in combination with cisplatin on subcutaneous K1735 tumors



***Salmonella* enhance chemosensitivity in tumor through Cx43 upregulation.**

# **Salmonella reduced hypoxia-induced factor and indoleamine 2, 3-dioxygenase 1 expression in tumors**

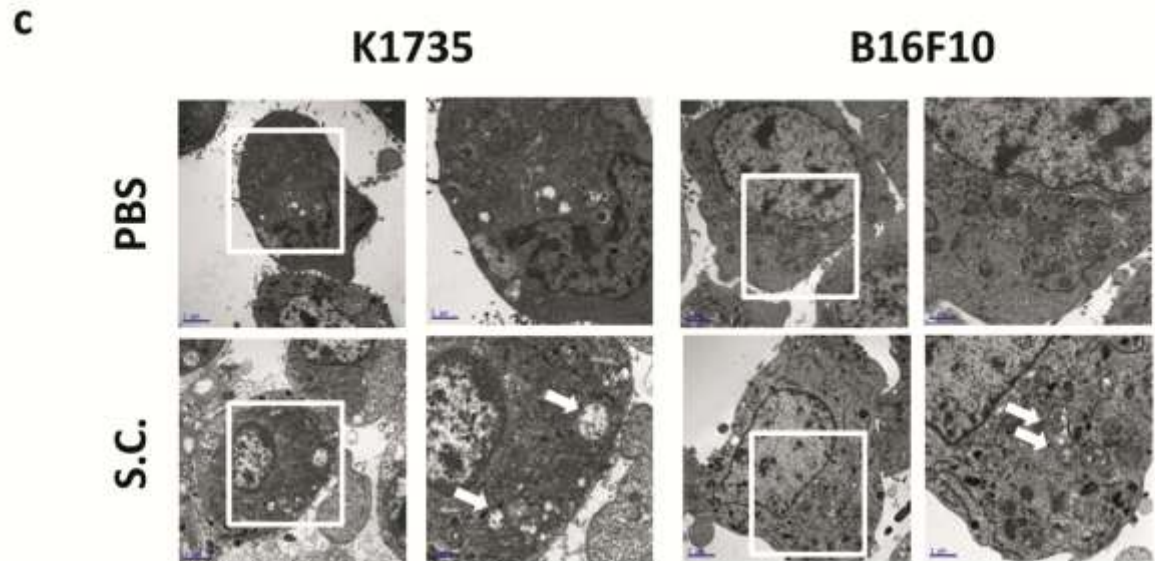
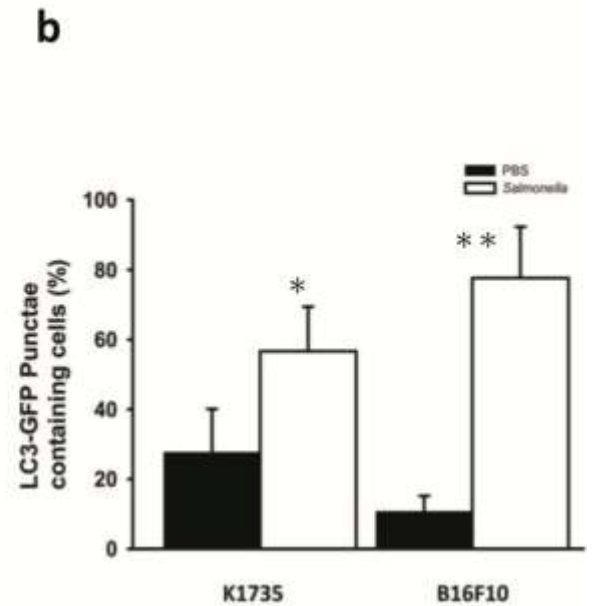
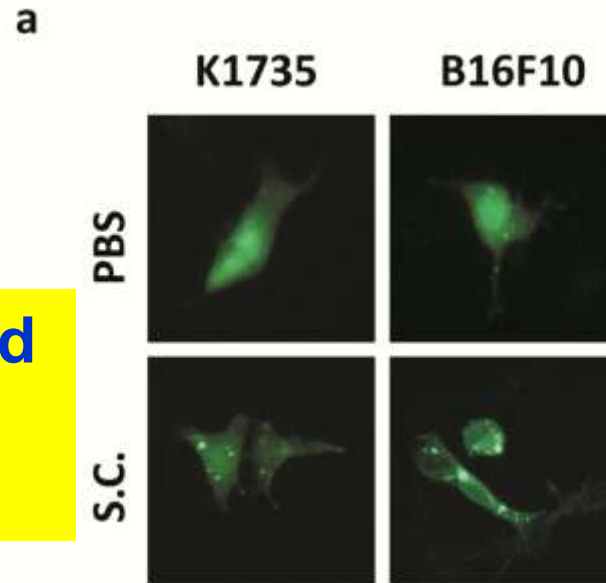


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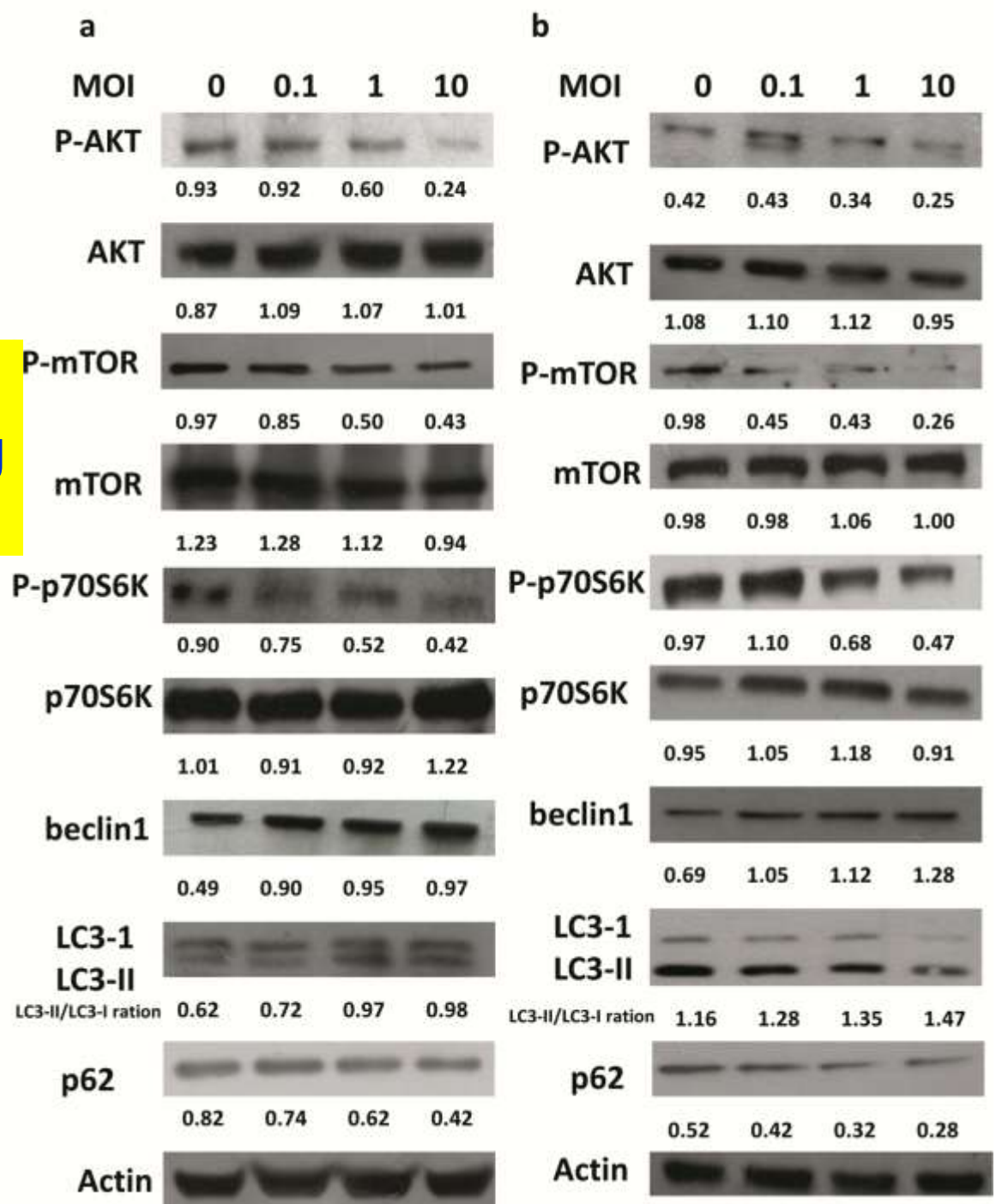
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**Salmonella induced autophagy in melanoma cells.**

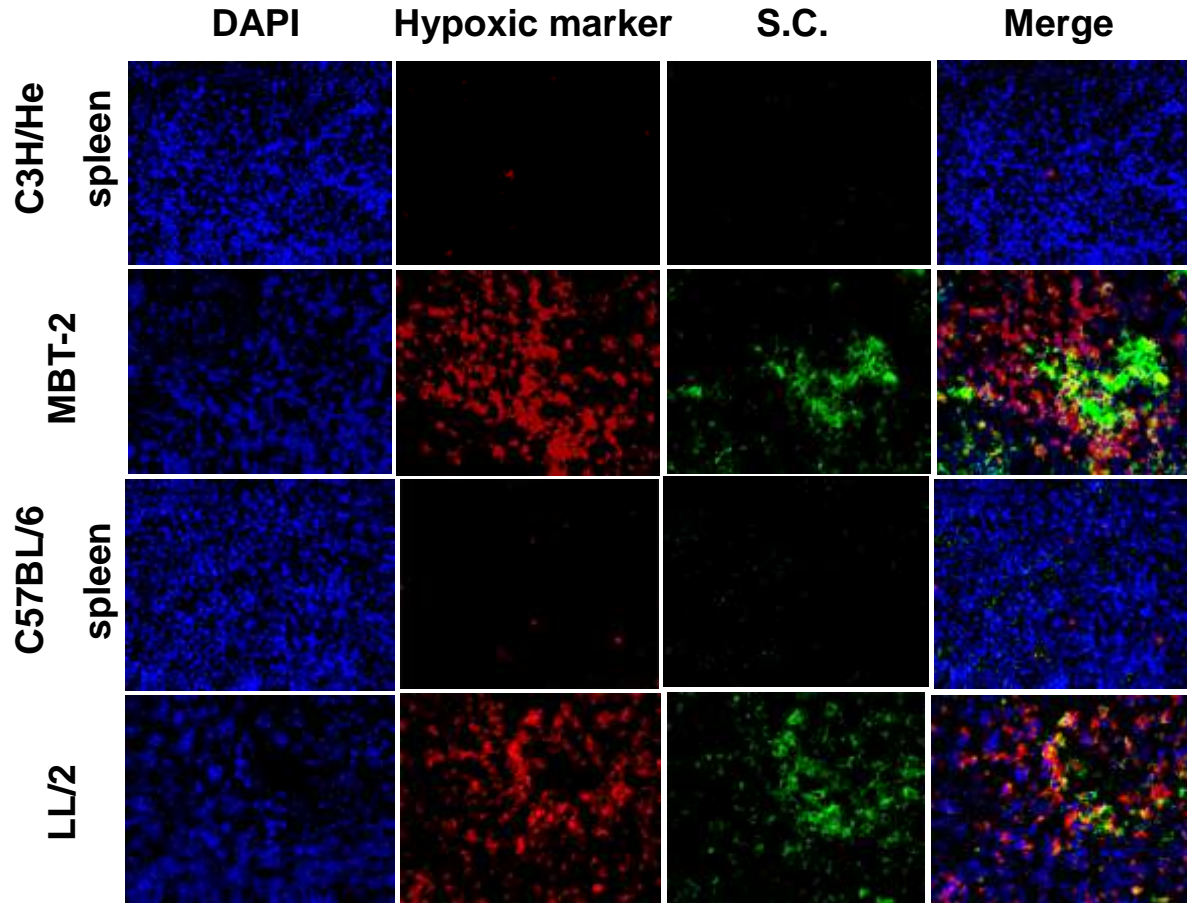


**Salmonella induced autophagic signaling pathway**





# Salmonella colonization in the hypoxic regions of tumors



J. Gene. Med. 6: 1382, 2004.

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**Tracking of mouse breast cancer  
stem-like cells with *Salmonella***

# Isolation and characterization of Sca-1<sup>+</sup> 4T1 cell population

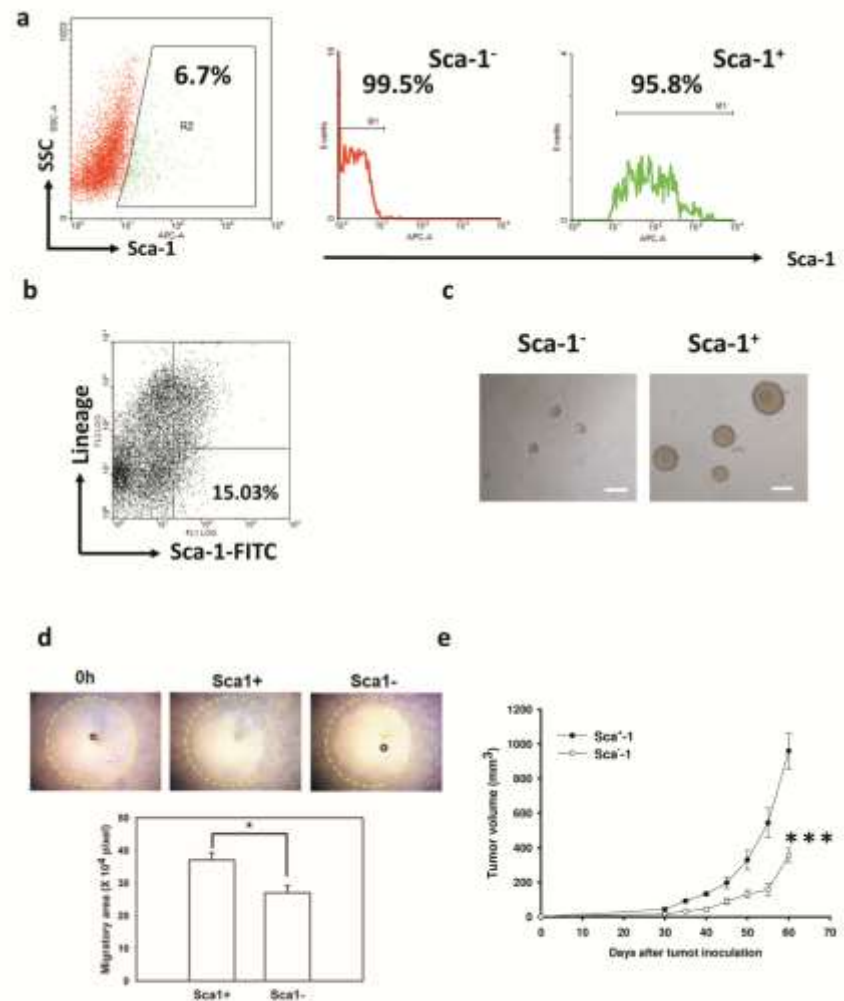
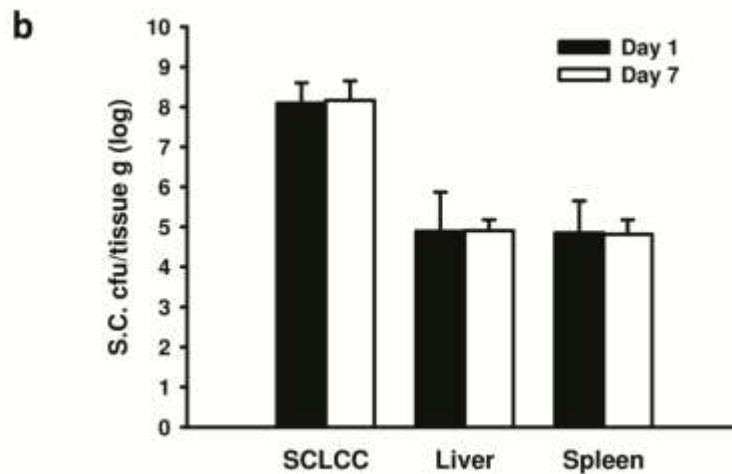
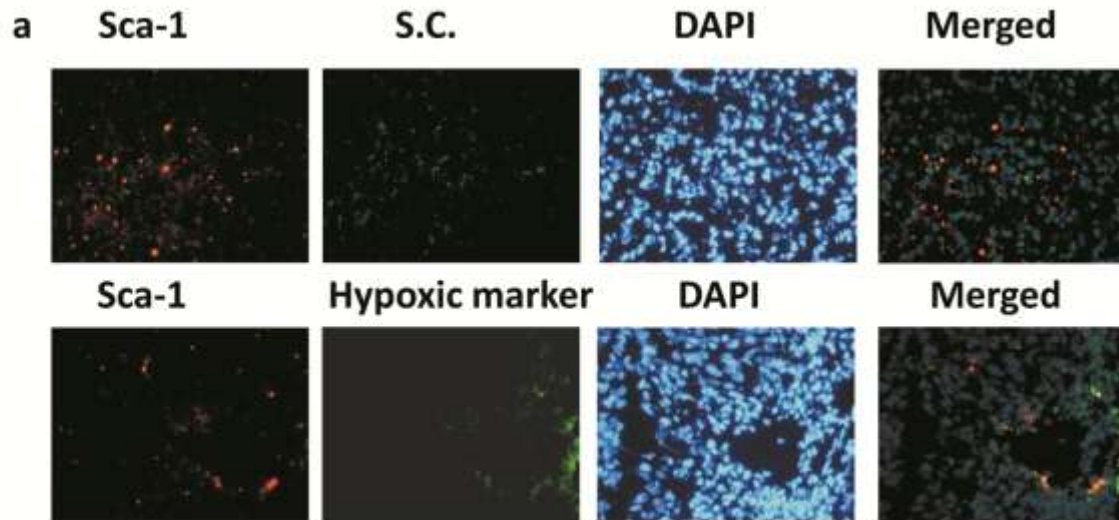


Table 1 Tumor-initiating ability of Sca-1<sup>+</sup> cells in mouse model

| Cells              | Number of injected cells |                 |                 |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                    | 10 <sup>4</sup>          | 10 <sup>3</sup> | 10 <sup>2</sup> |
| Sca-1 <sup>+</sup> | 5/5                      | 5/5             | 2/5             |
| Sca-1 <sup>-</sup> | 5/5                      | 2/5             | 0/5             |

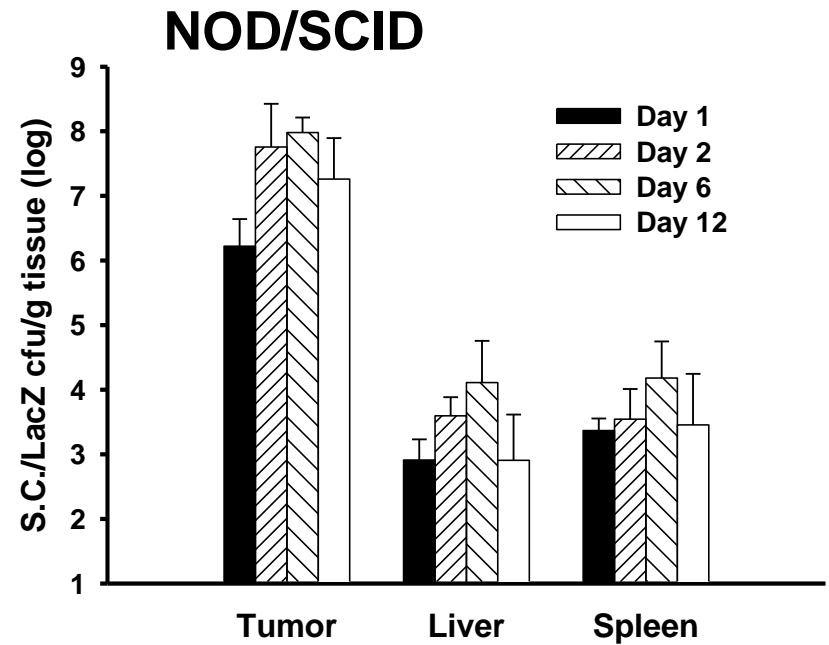
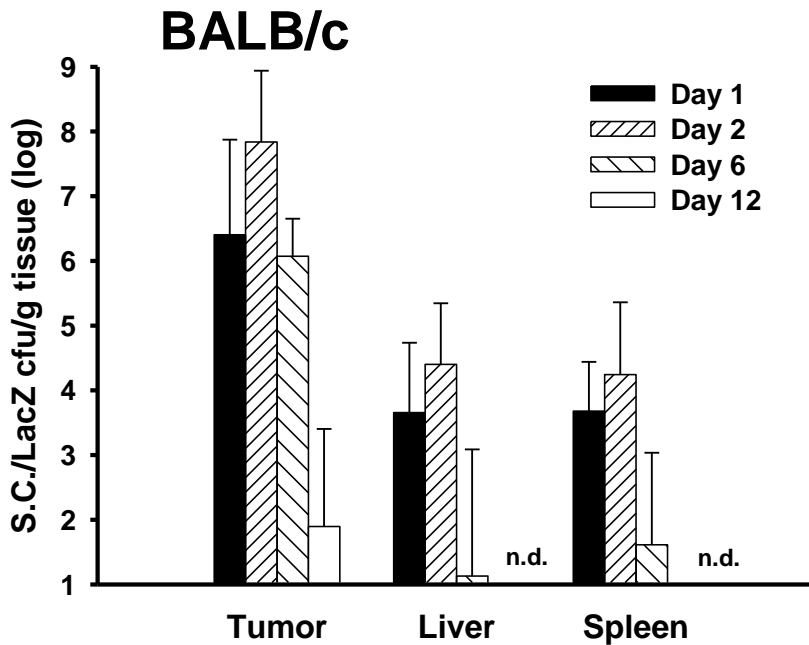
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# Bacterial colonization in the CSC niche



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# The distribution of *Salmonella* in immunocompetent and immunodeficient mice

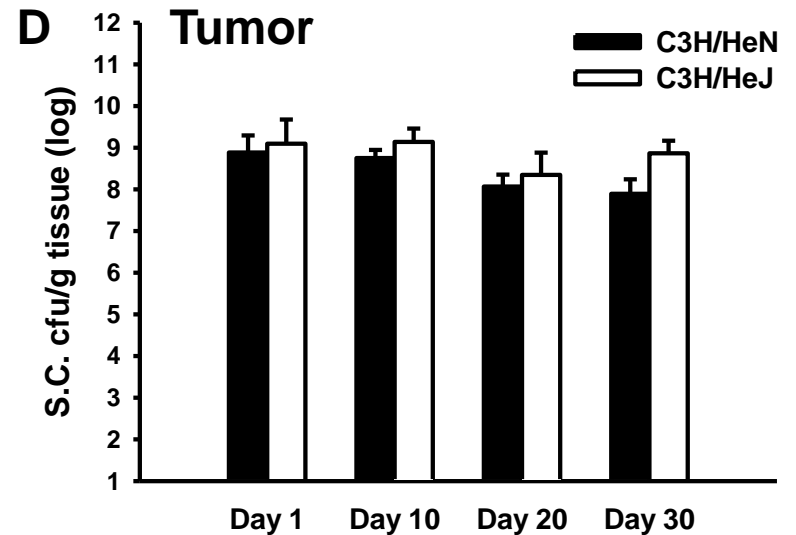
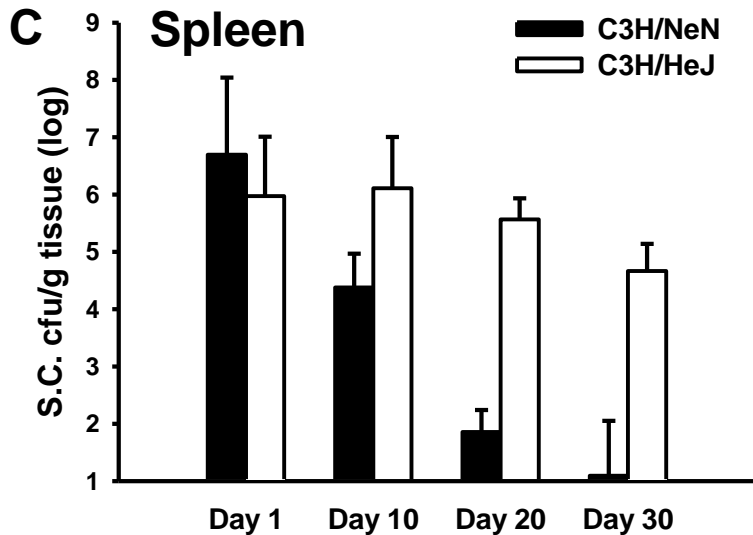
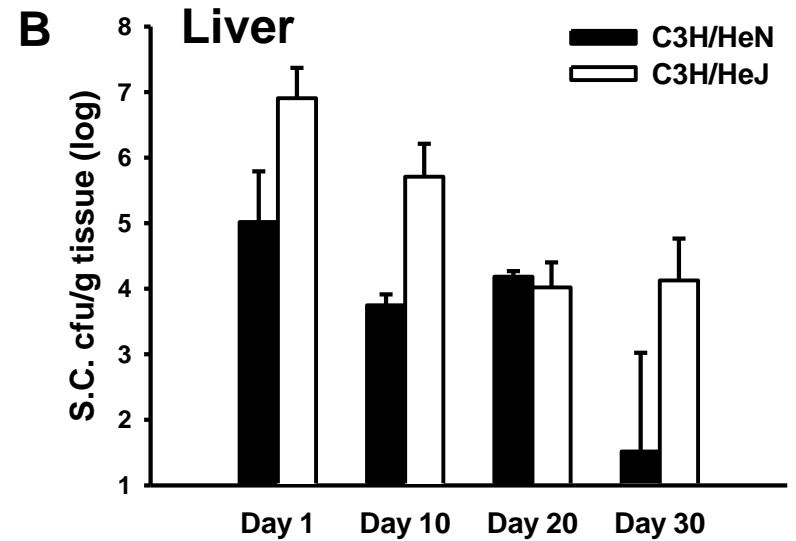
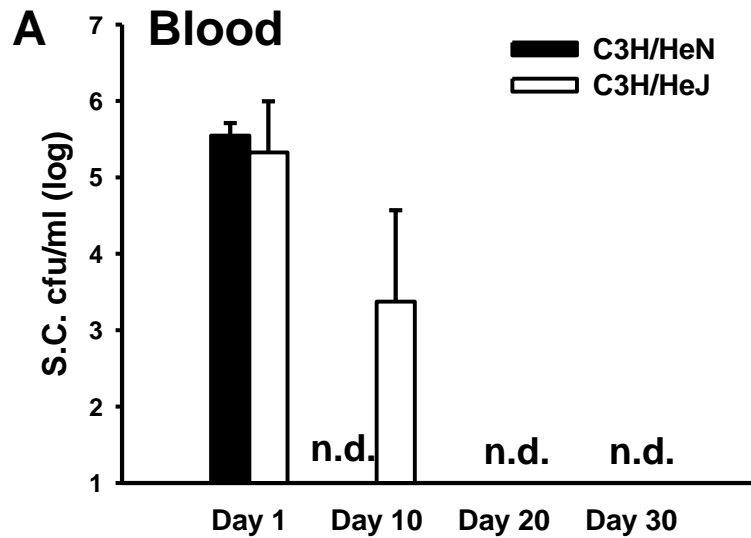


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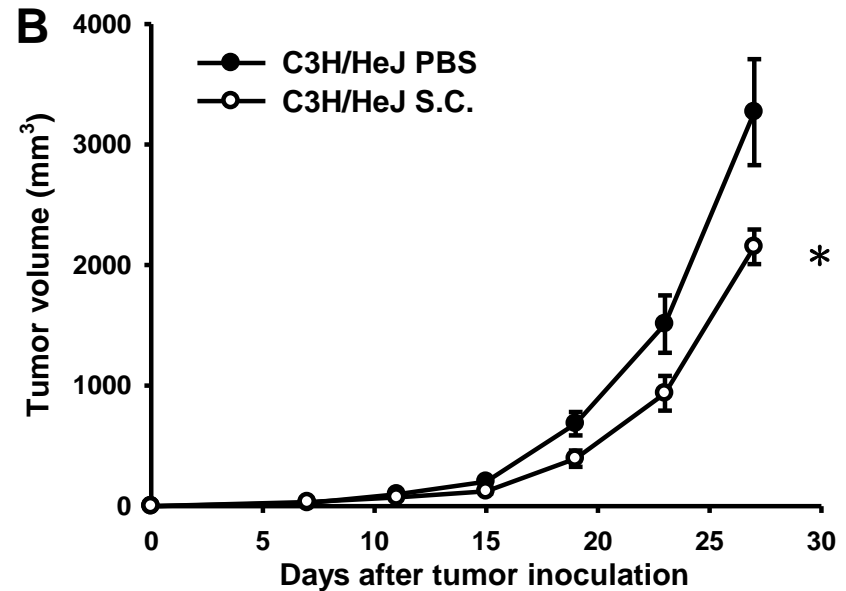
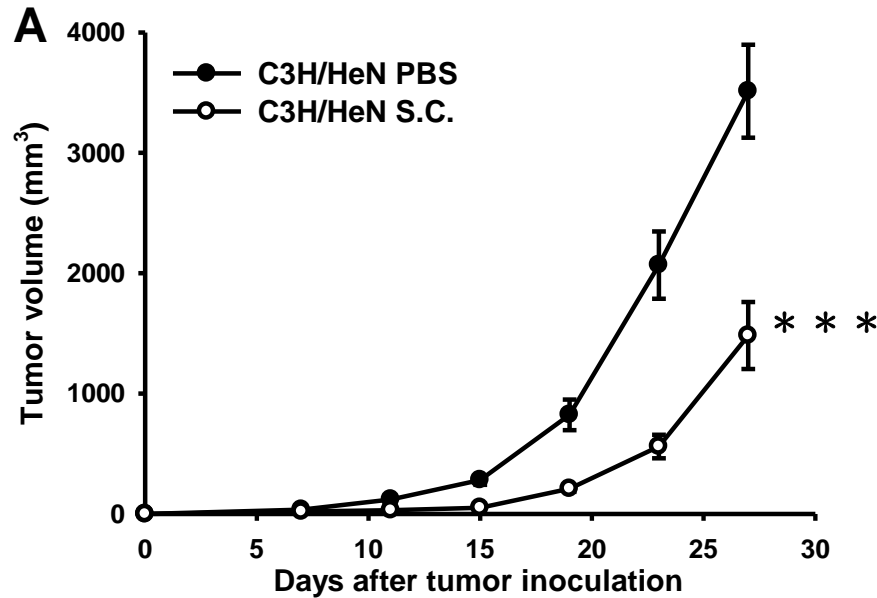
The tumor microenvironment may contribute to the preferential accumulation of *Salmonella* in tumors.

**Toll-like Receptor 4 Mediates an Antitumor Host  
Response Induced  
by *Salmonella choleraesuis***

# Temporal distribution of *Salmonella* in wild-type and Toll like receptor 4 (TLR4) defective mice



## Antitumor effects of *Salmonella* on wild-type and TLR4 defective mice



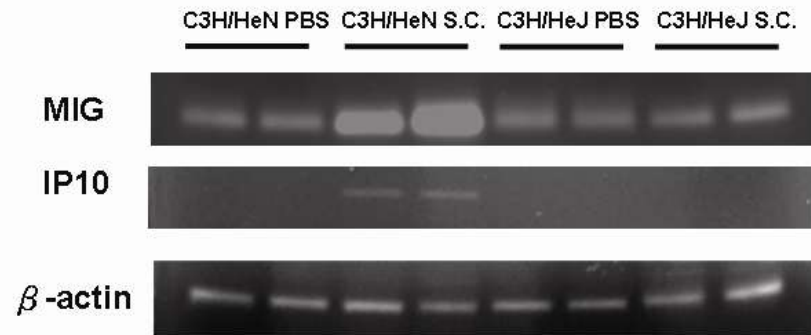
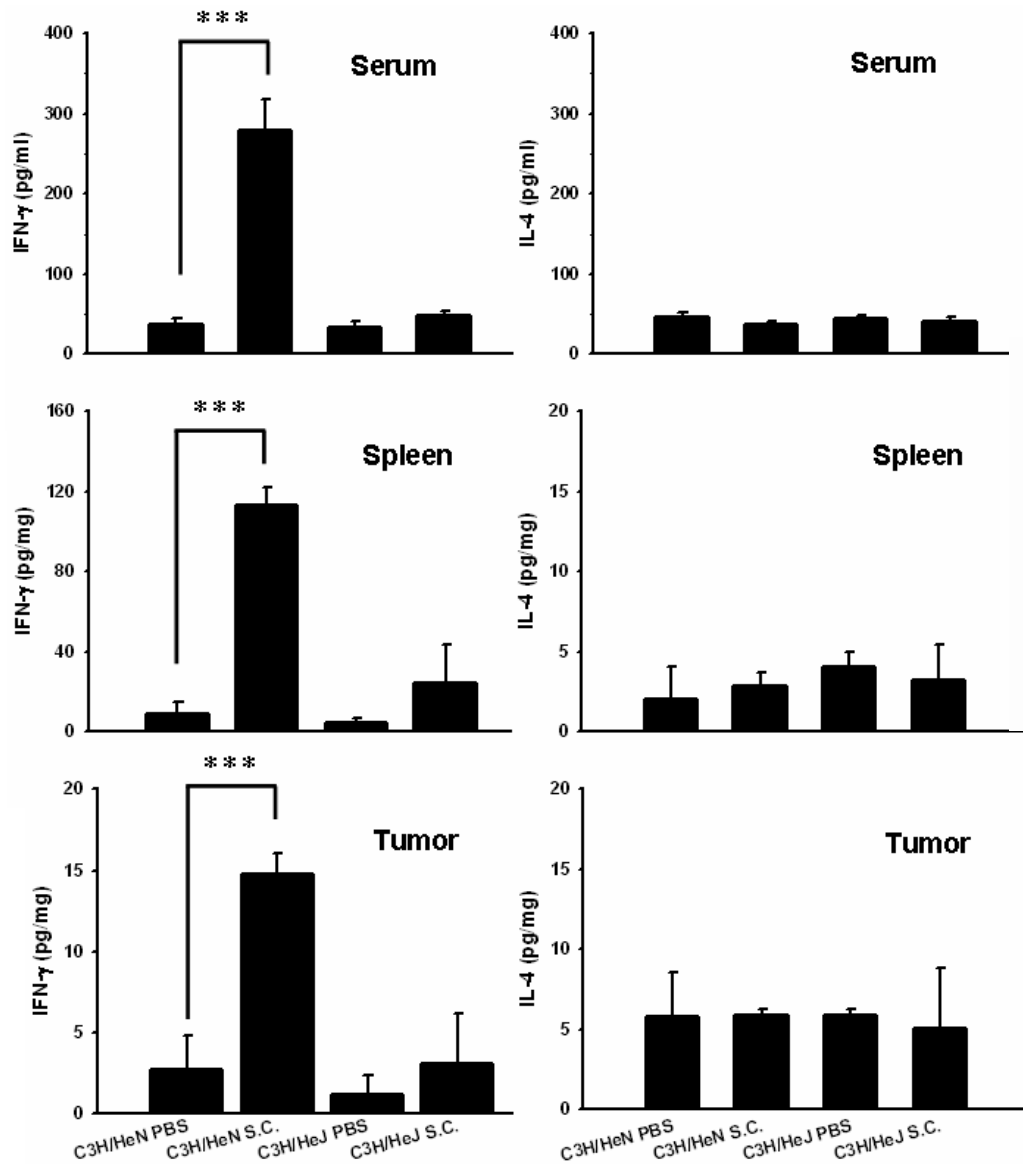
The mean tumor volumes in **C3H/HeN mice** treated with *S. choleraesuis* was lowered by **57.79%** compared with those treated with PBS, but that was lowered by **34.19 %** in C3H/HeJ mice.

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**TLR 4 signaling influenced the antitumor effects of *Salmonella*.**

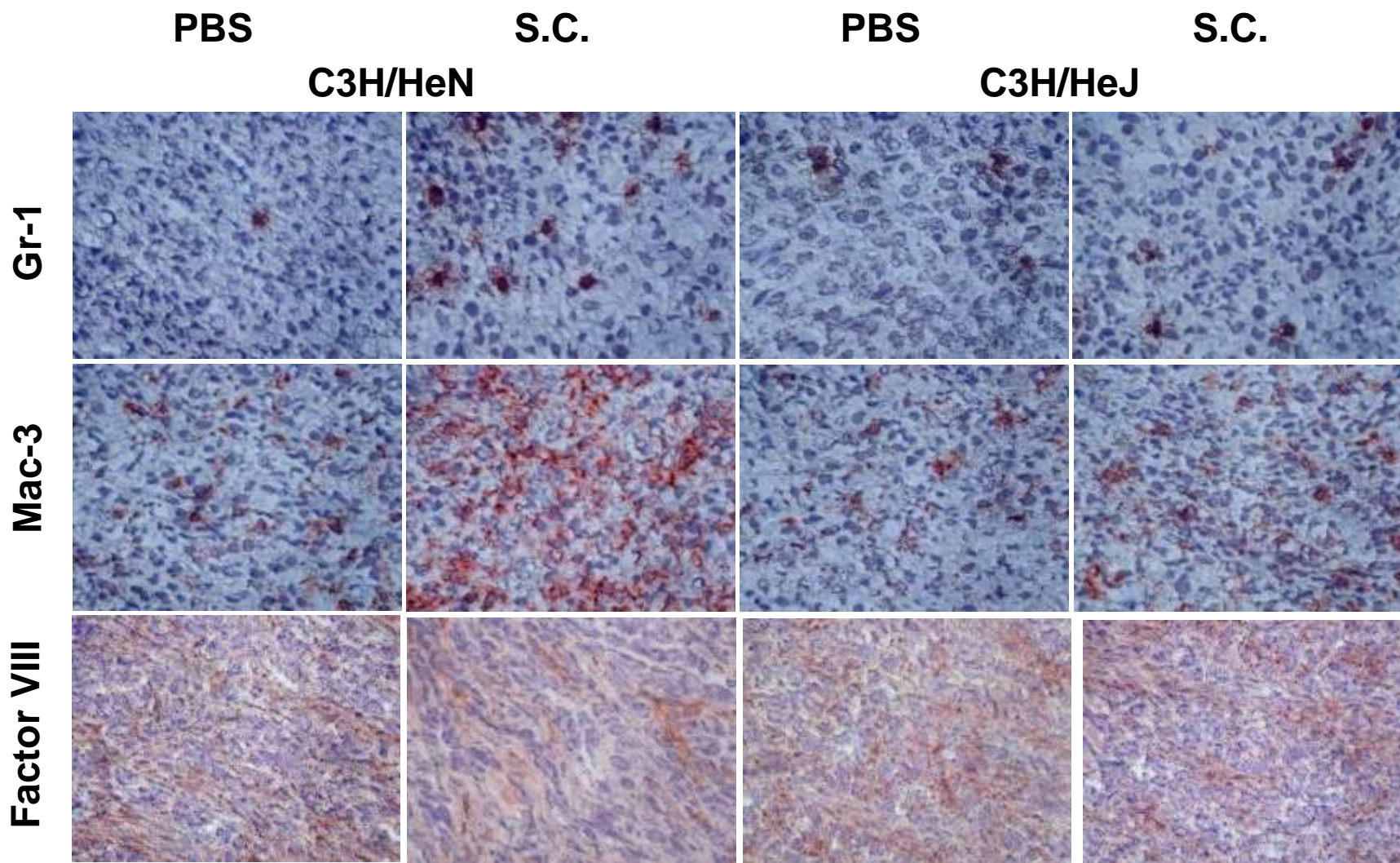


# Effects of *Salmonella* on cytokines and chemokines induction in vivo



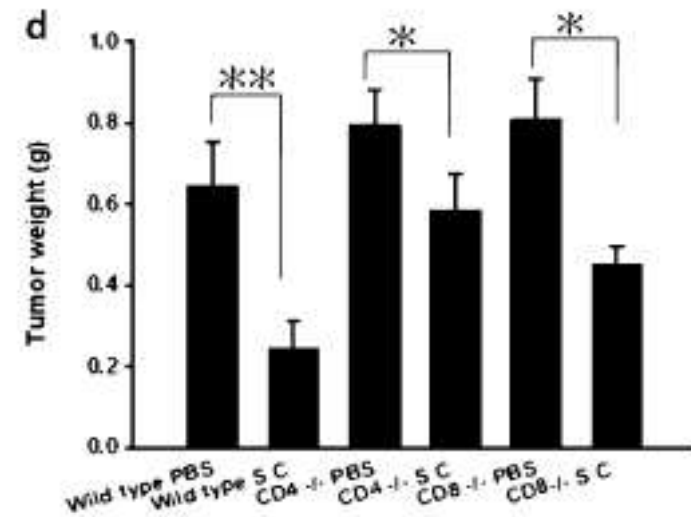
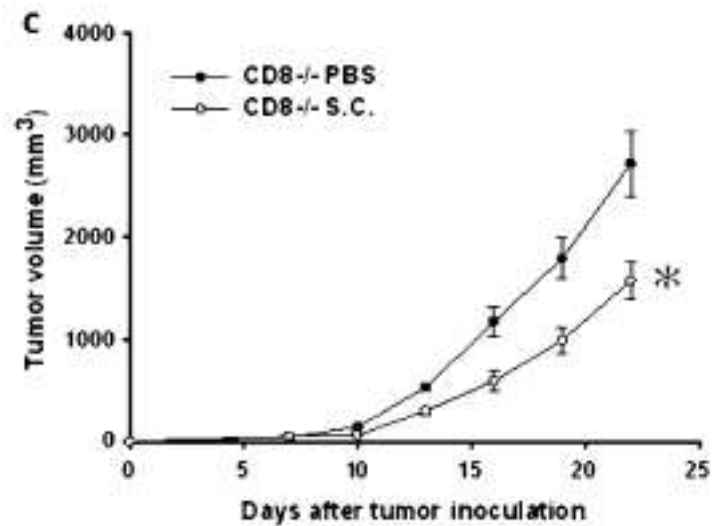
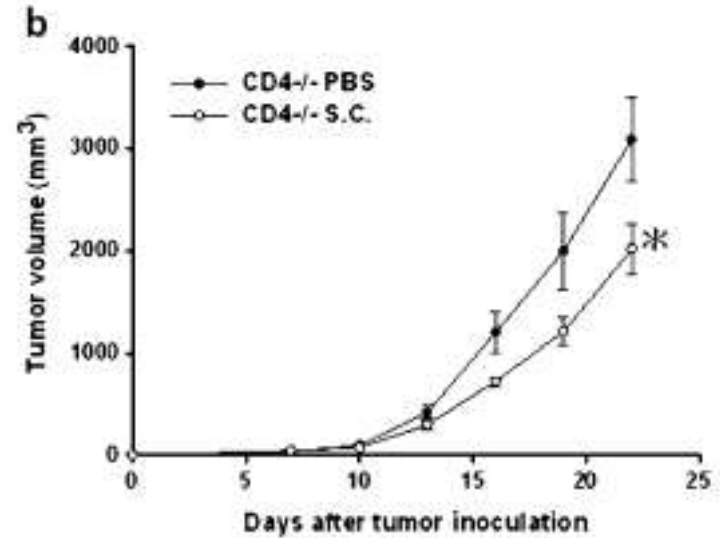
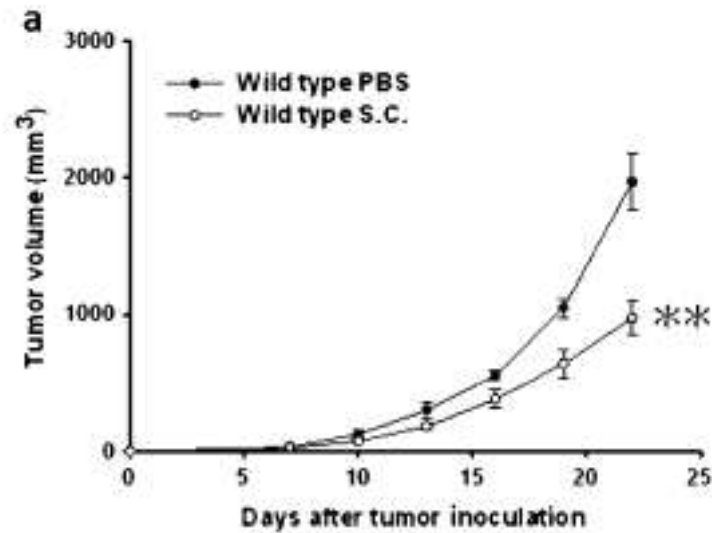
***Salmonella* elicited IFN-γ and IFN-γ-inducing responses via TLR 4 signaling.**

# Effects of *Salmonella* on chemokine induction in wild-type and TLR4 defective mice

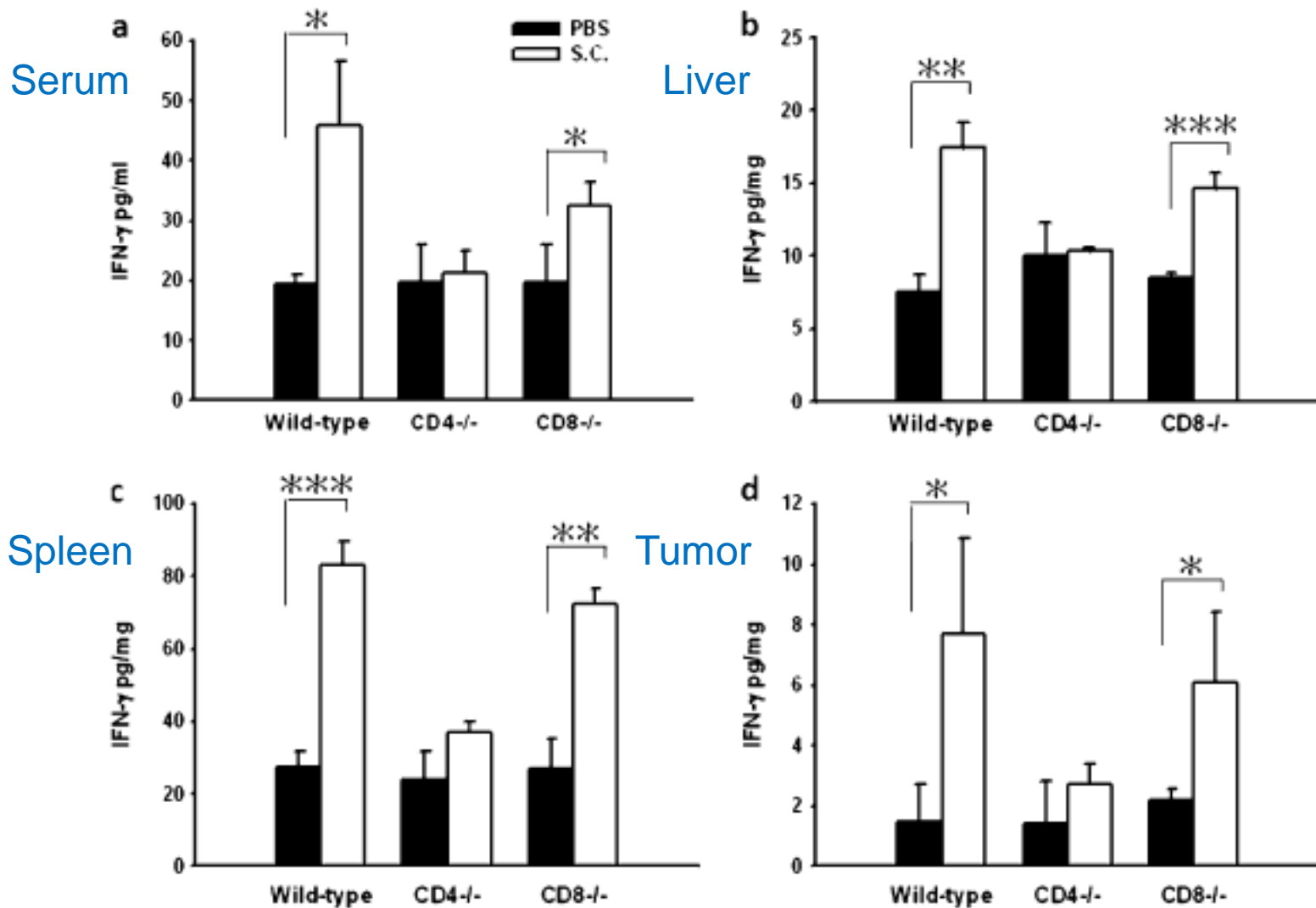


**T cell augments the antitumor activity  
of tumor-targeting *Salmonella***

# Antitumor effects of *Salmonella* on tumor growth in T-cell-deficient and wild-type mice bearing tumors



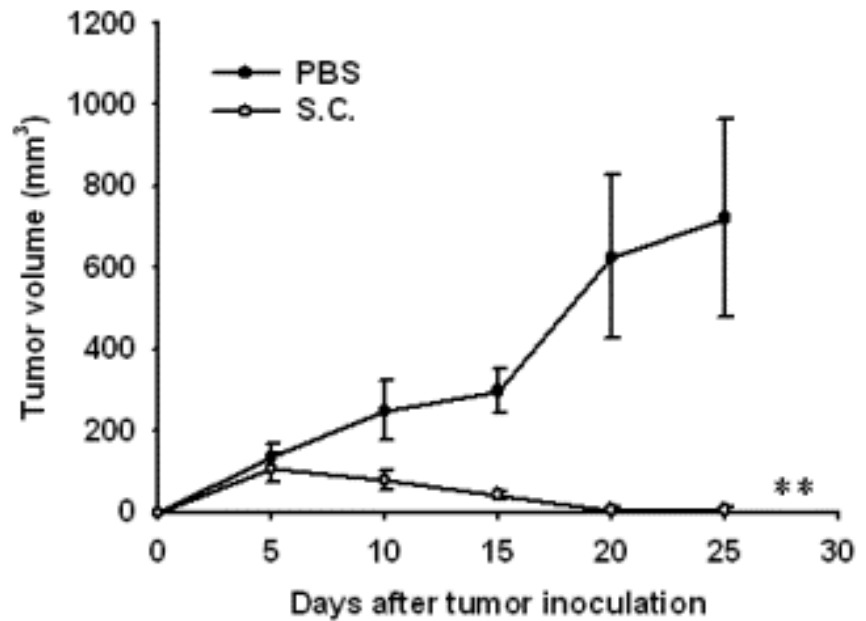
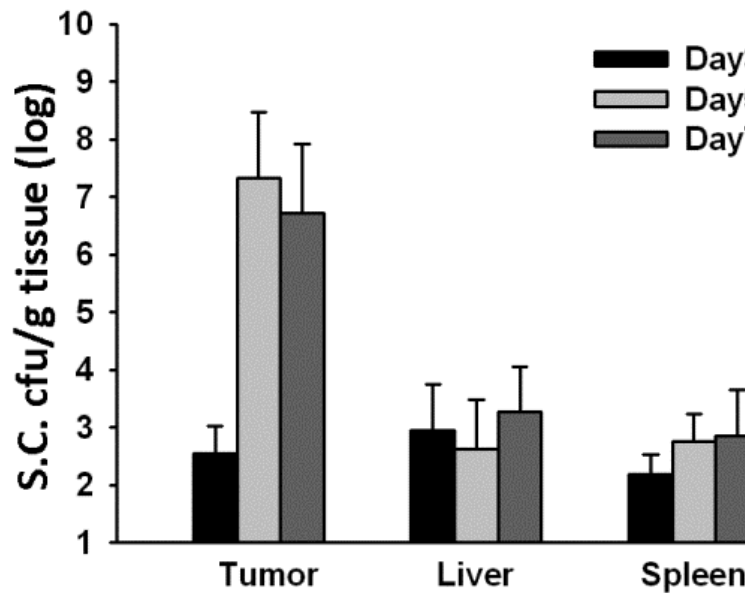
# Effects of *Salmonella* on cytokine induction in T-cell-deficient and wild-type mice bearing tumors



## Biodistribution of *Salmonella*

| <b>Tumor cells</b> | <b>Liver / Tumor ratio</b> | <b>animal model</b> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| MBT-2              | 1:1000~1:10000             | C3H/HeN             |
| K1735              | 1:1000~1:1000000           | C3H/HeN             |
| B16F10             | 1:1000~1:10000             | C57BL/6             |
| LL2                | 1:1000~1:1000000           | C57BL/6             |
| 4T1                | 1:1000~1~100000            | BALB/c              |
| ML-1               | 1:10000~1:100000           | BALB/c              |
| A549               | 1:1000~1:10000             | NOD/SCID            |
| PC14PE6            | 1:1000~1:10000             | NOD/SCID            |

# Oral administration of *Salmonella*



## Clinical trial

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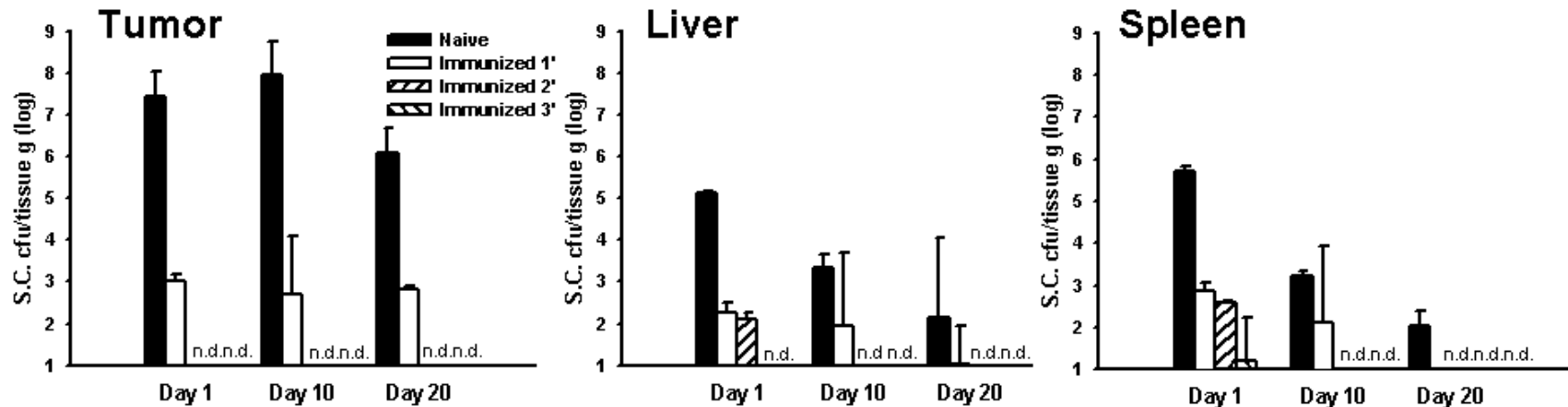
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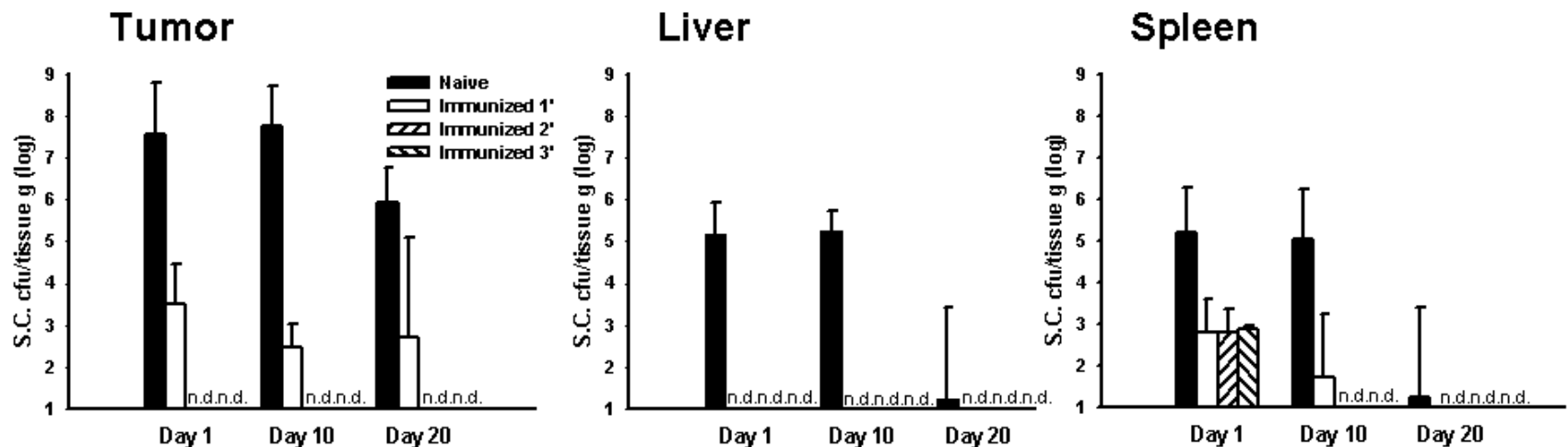
**Humoral Immune Responses Inhibit the  
Antitumor Activities Mediated by  
*Salmonella enterica* serovar Choleraesuis**

# Tissue distributions of *Salmonella* in naive and immunized mice

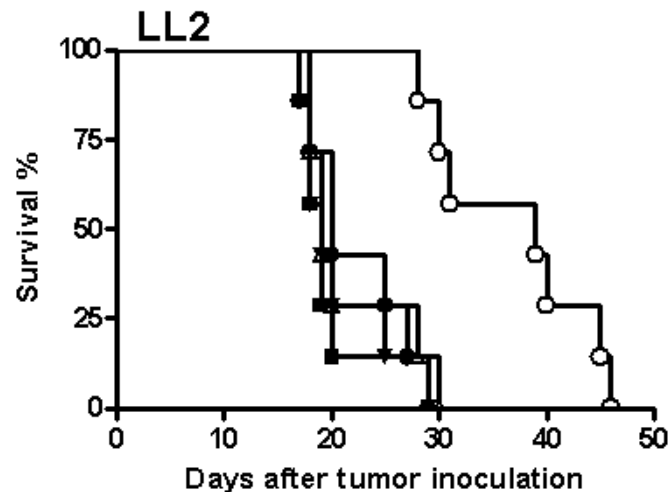
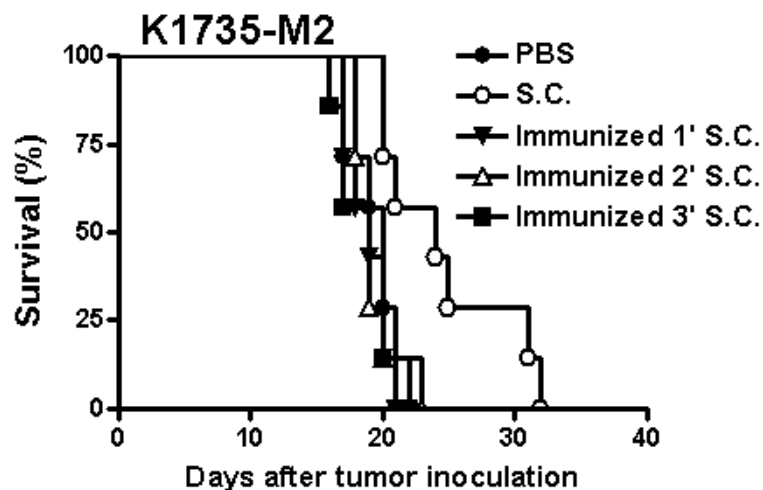
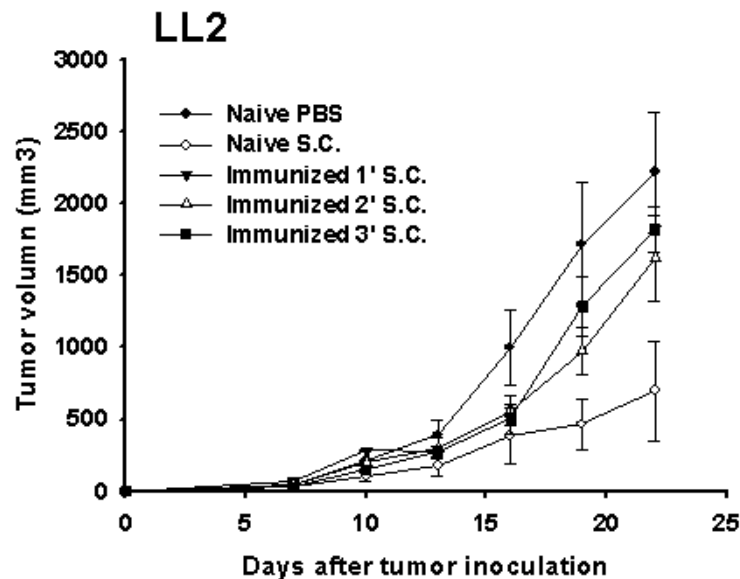
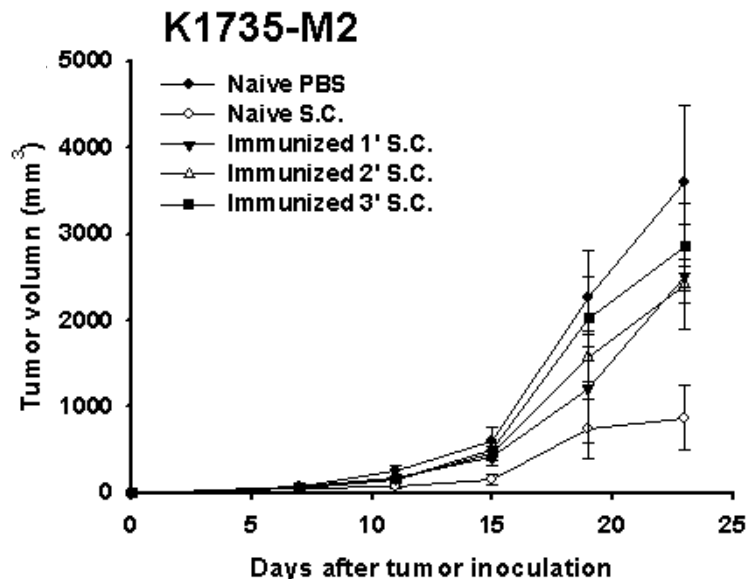
## K1735-M2



## LL2



# Antitumor effects of *Salmonella* on the naive and immunized mice



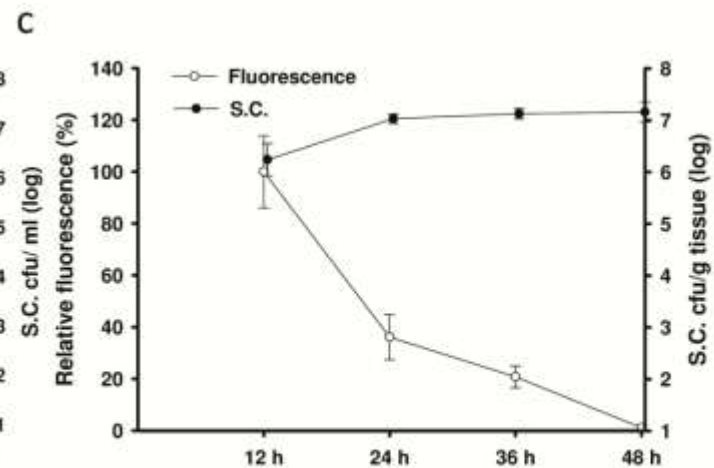
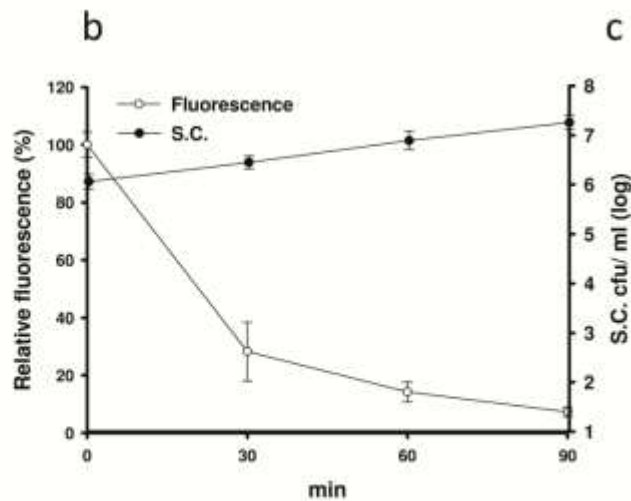
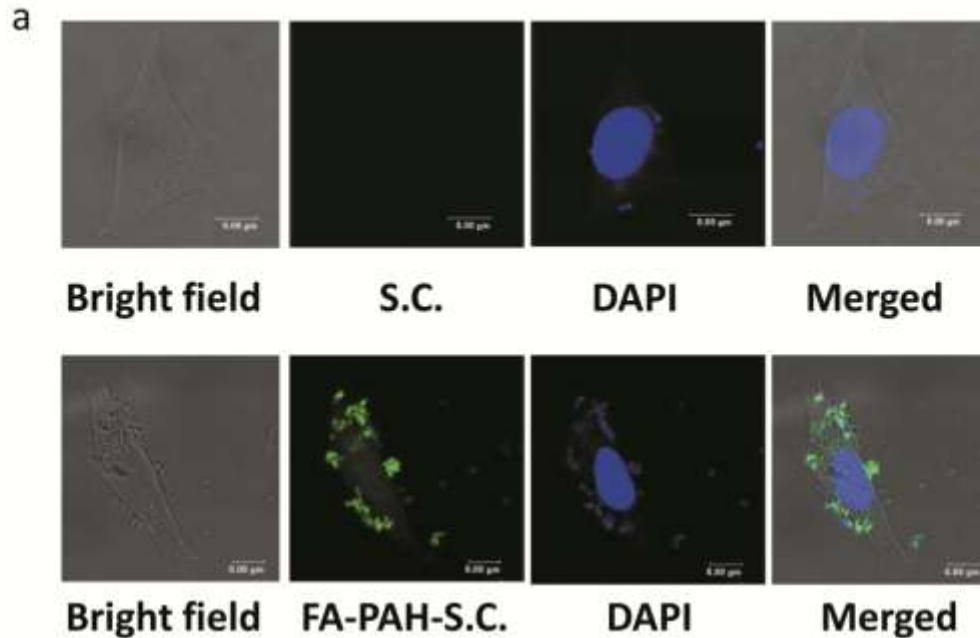
**A polymer coating applied to *Salmonella*  
prevents the binding of  
*Salmonella*-specific antibodies**

## Characterization of poly(allylamine hydrochloride) (PAH)-modified *Salmonella*

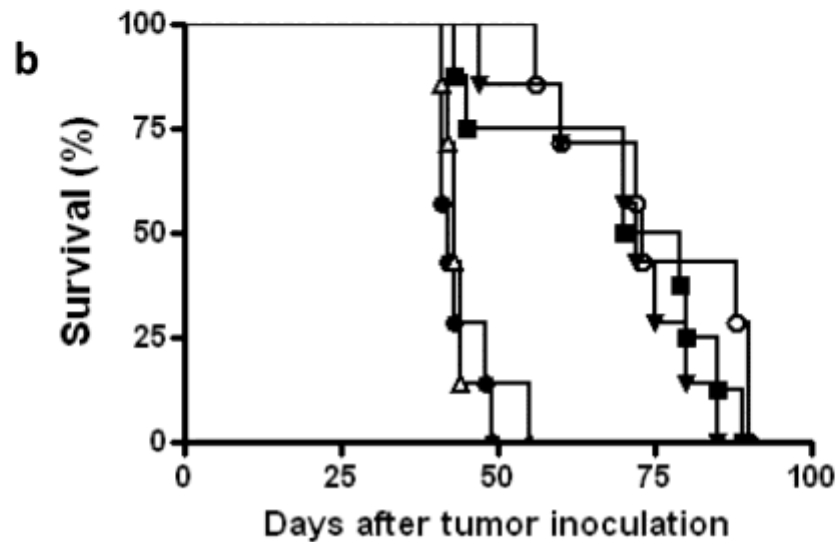
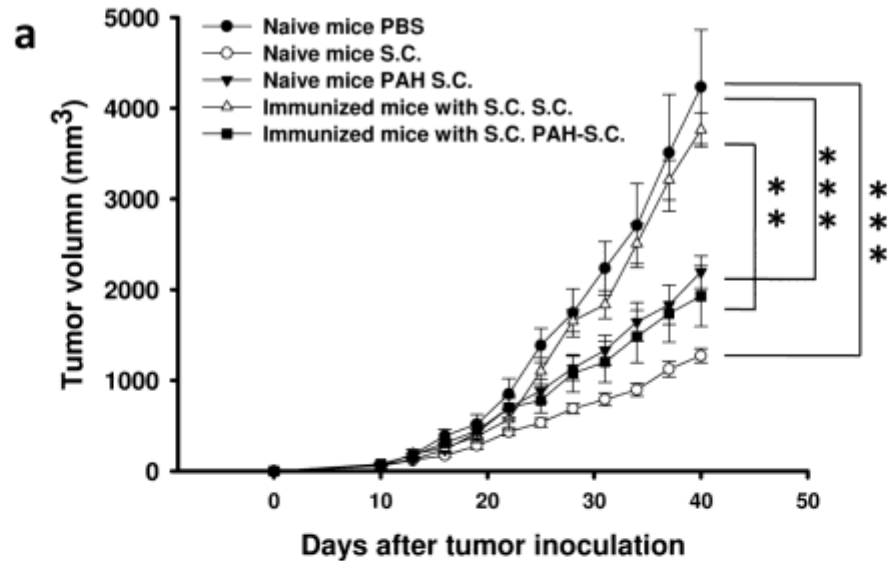
**Table 1.** Particle sizes and zeta potential values of PAH-S.C. particles prepared with different PAH concentrations in deionized water ( $n = 5$ )

| PAH concentration (mg/ml) | Particle size (nm)   | Zeta potential (mV) |
|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 0                         | 938.13 $\pm$ 84.69   | -4.70 $\pm$ 2.45    |
| 1.25                      | 1281.14 $\pm$ 71.61  | -0.7469 $\pm$ 2.04  |
| 5                         | 1180.57 $\pm$ 63.76  | 4.22 $\pm$ 1.18     |
| 20                        | 1260.55 $\pm$ 180.33 | 11.75 $\pm$ 0.31    |

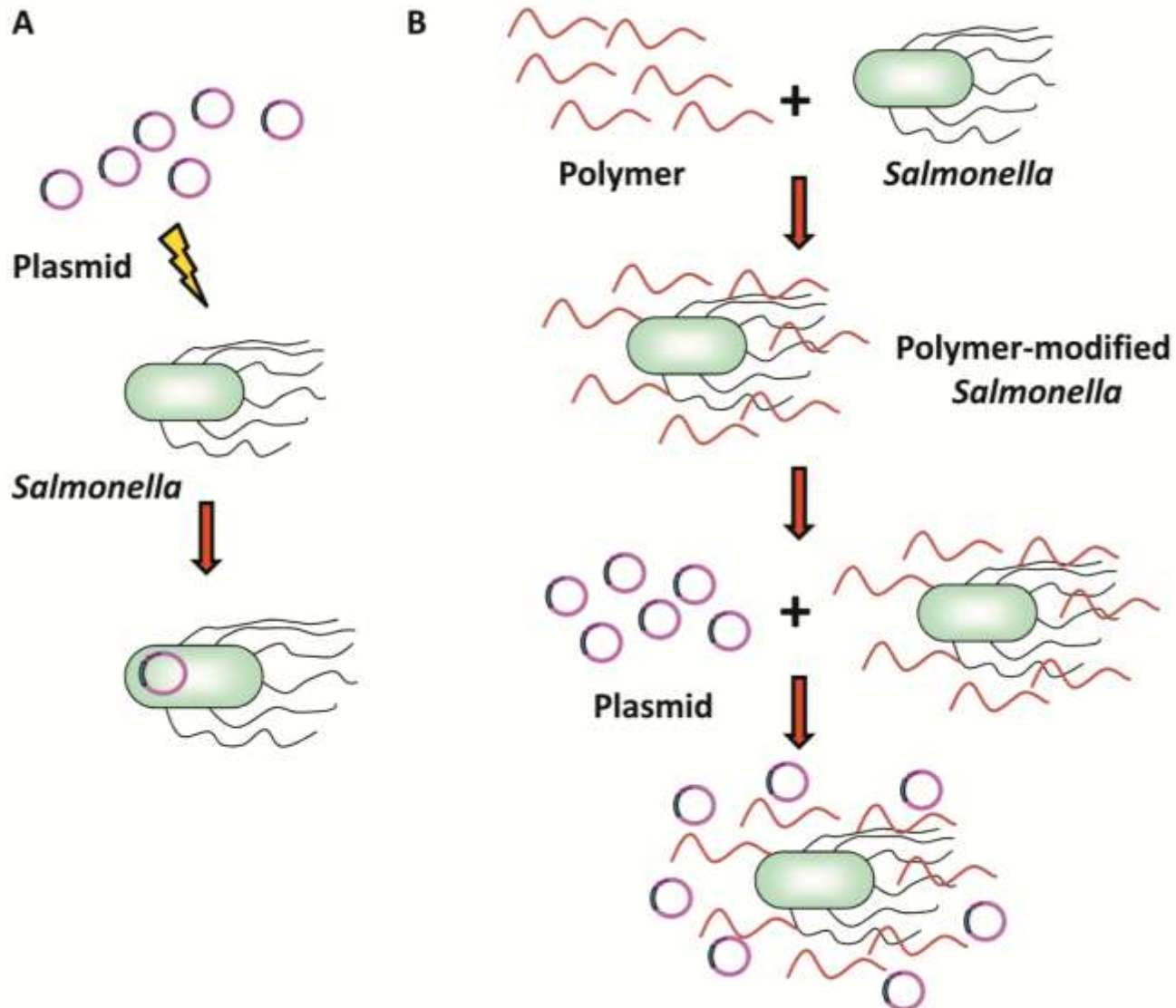
# Inhibition of tumor growth by PAH-modified *Salmonella*



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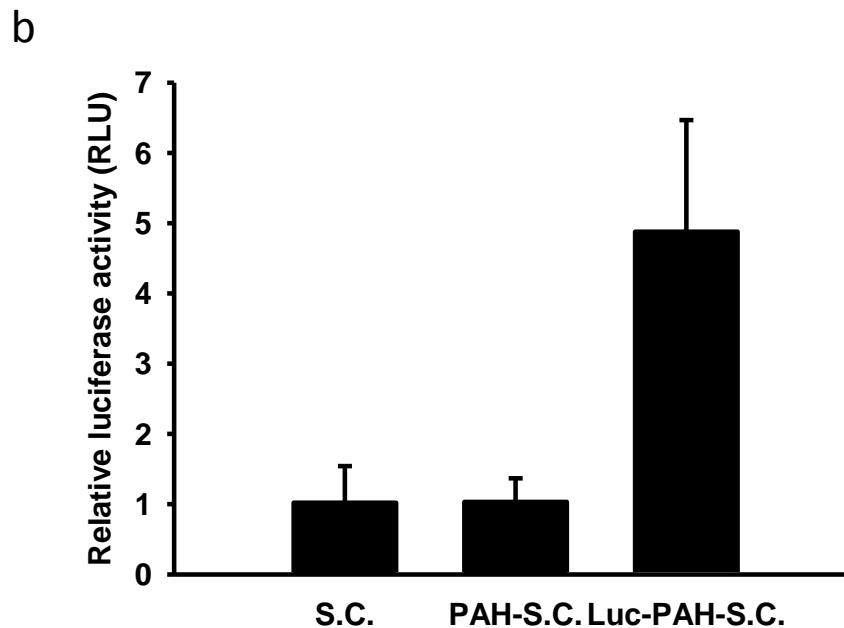
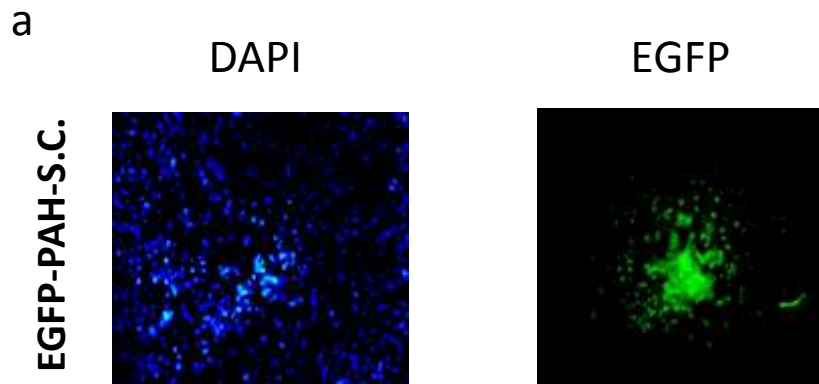


# The strategy of preparation of *Salmonella* carrying DNA

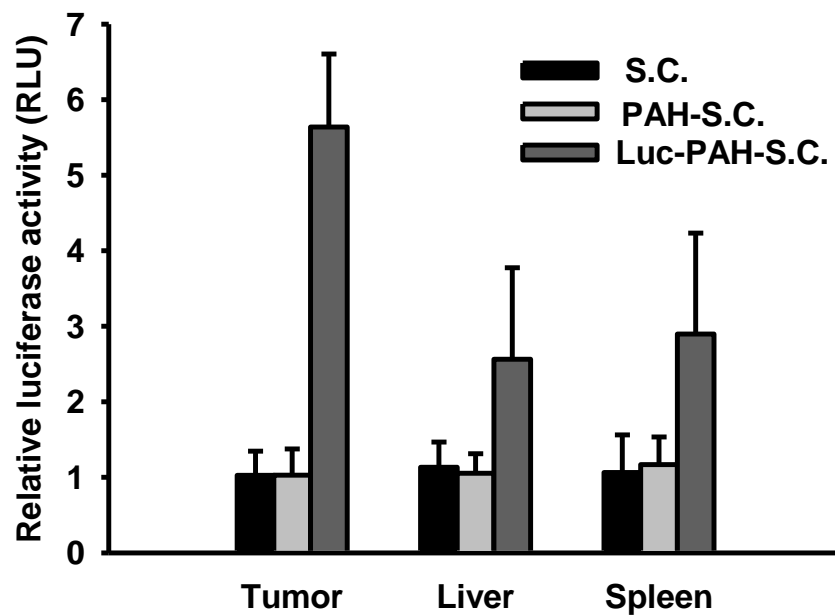
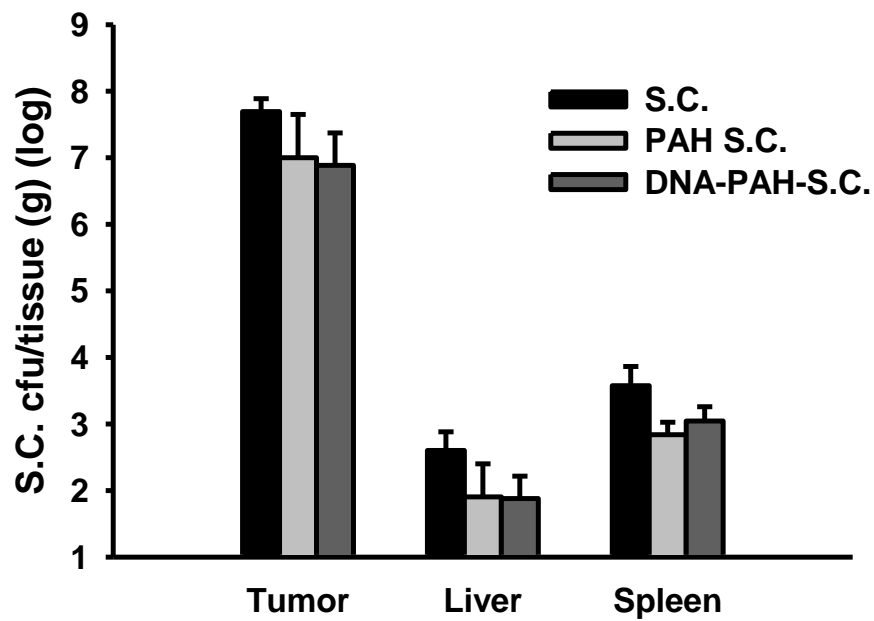




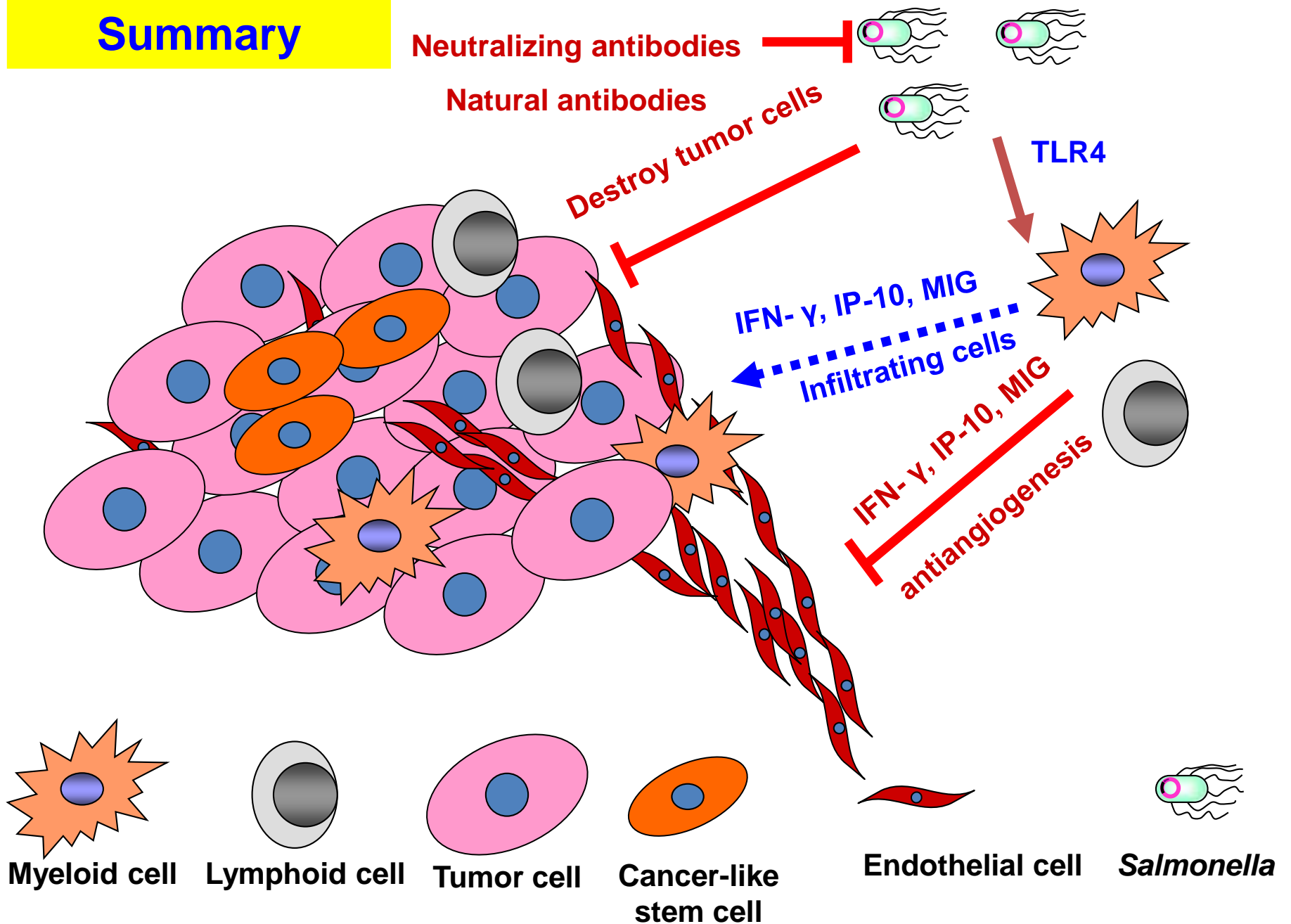
# Transduction ability of DNA-PAH-Salmonella



# Tumor-targeting potential and gene transfer of DNA-PAH *Salmonella*



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