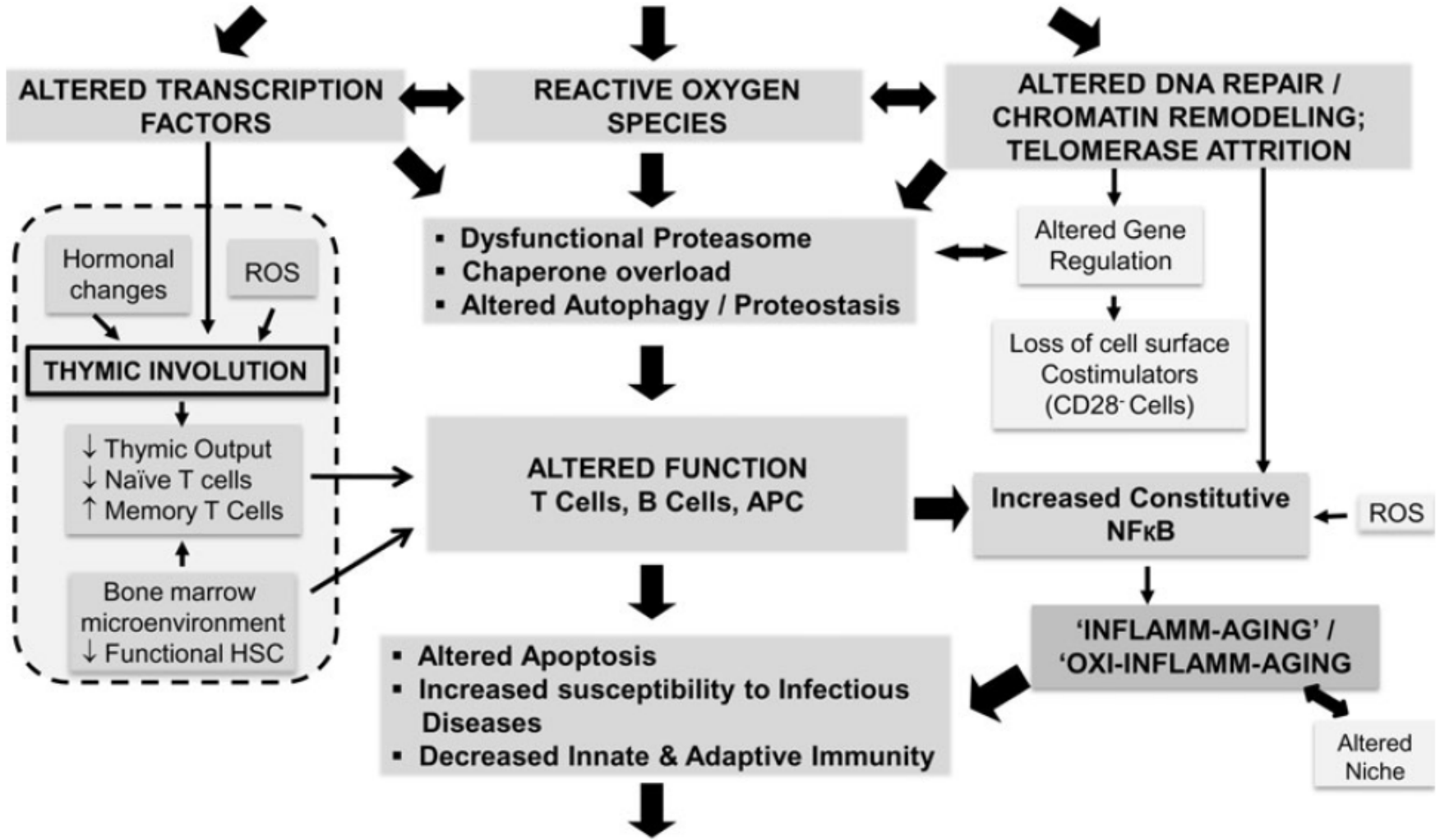


# Impact of Age and Fat Content on Toxicities Due to Pro-inflammatory Cytokine Storm Induced During Immunotherapy

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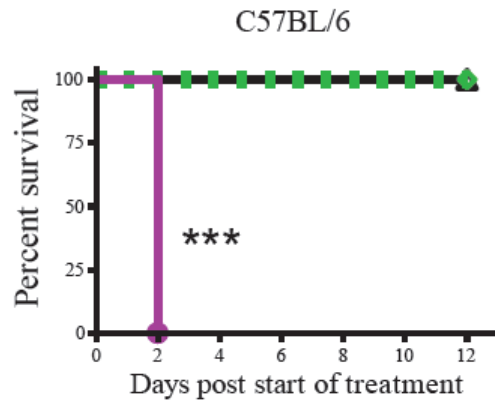
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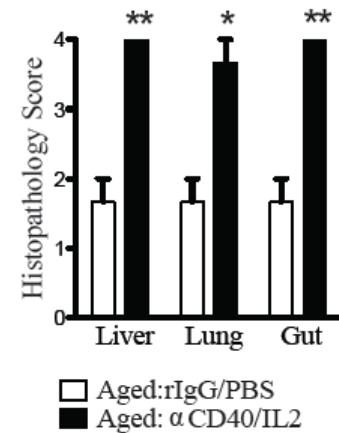
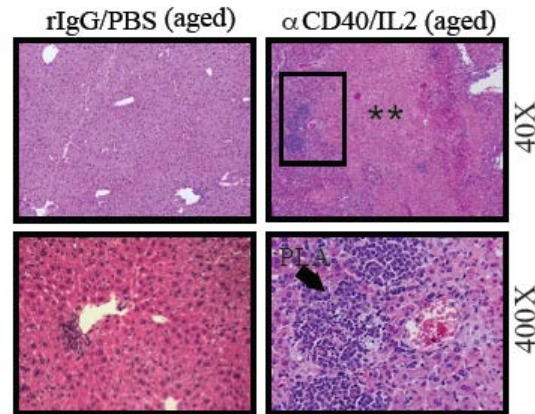
**ALTERED IMMUNE REGULATION "IMMUNE SENESCENCE"**

GIVEN THE AVERAGE AGE OF A  
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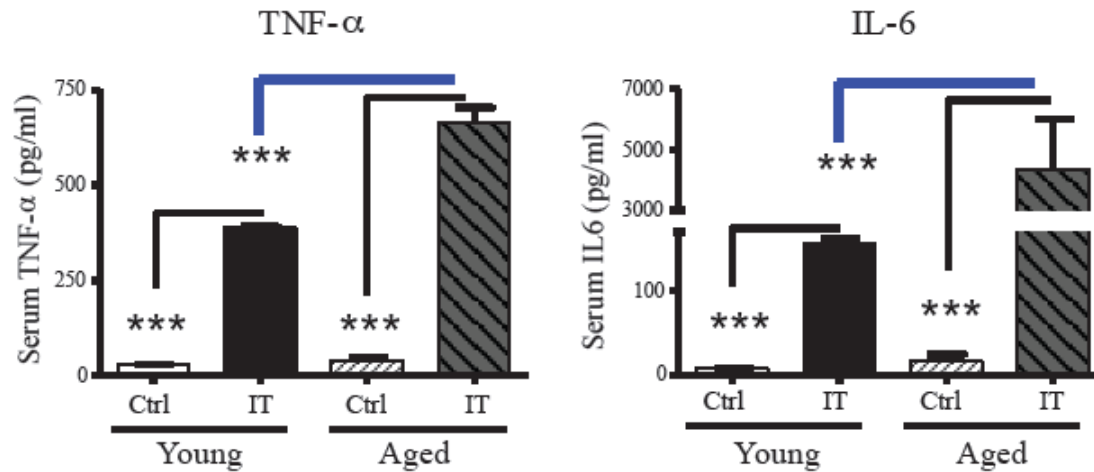
# AGED MICE RAPIDLY SUCCUMB TO MULTI-ORGAN PATHOLOGY FOLLOWING IMMUNOTHERAPY



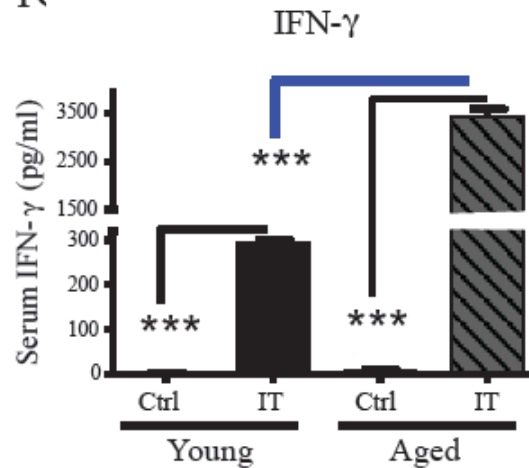
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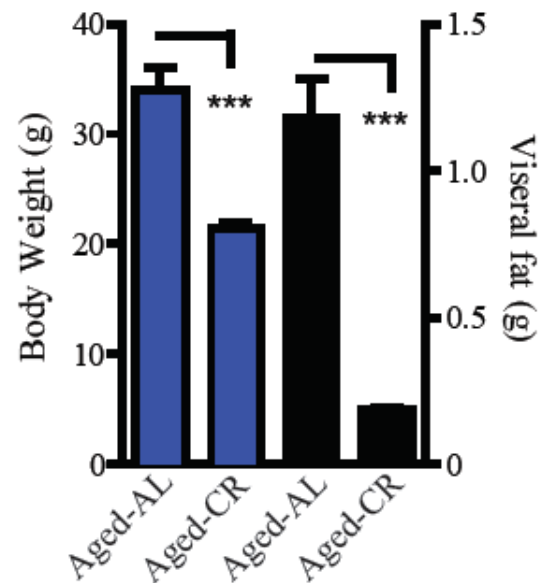
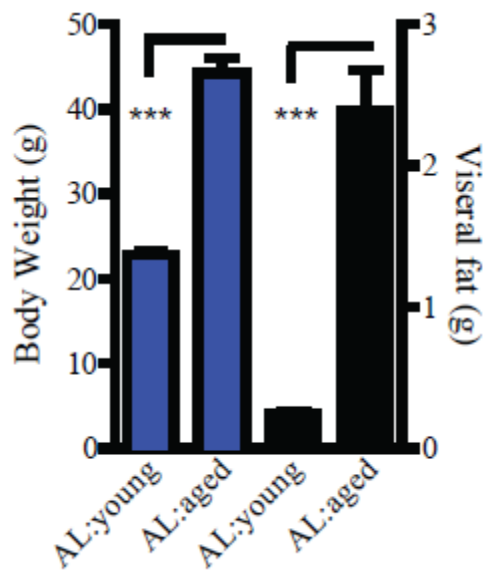
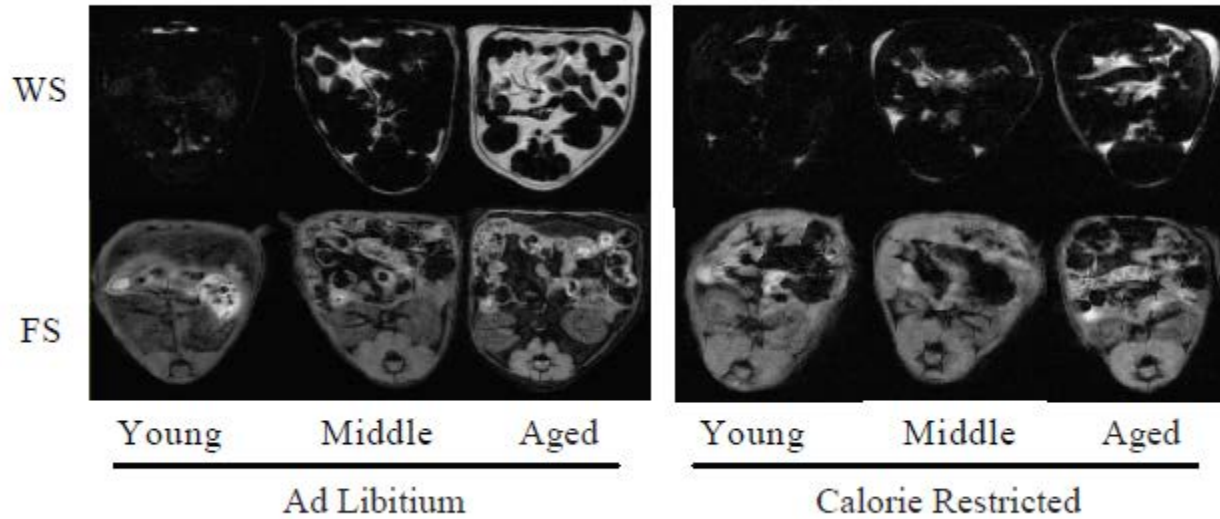
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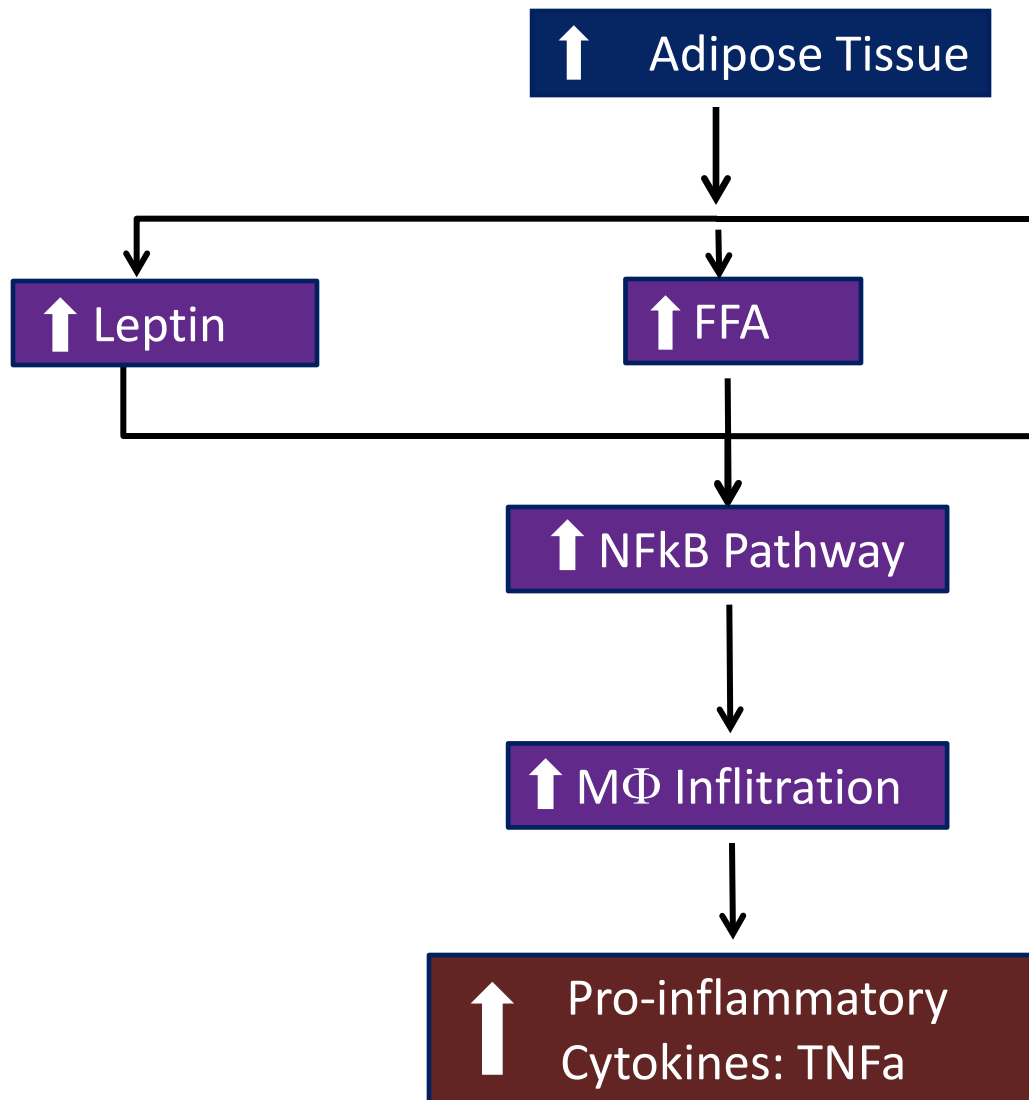
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# DIFFERENCES IN BODY FAT CONTENT WITH AGE AND CALORIC RESTRICTION



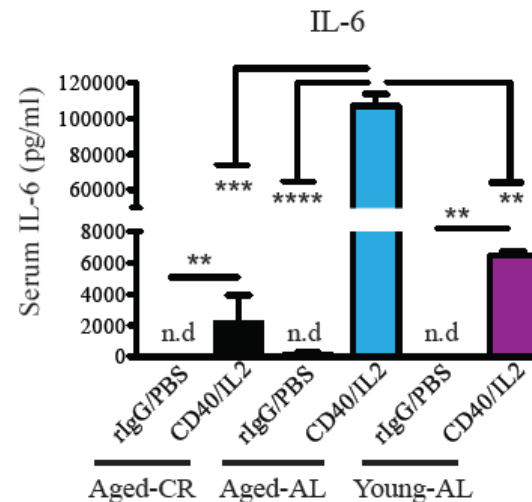
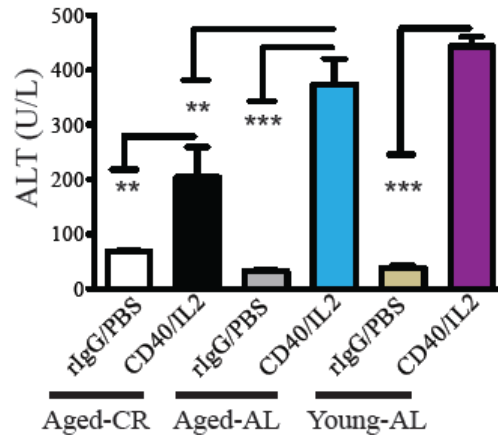
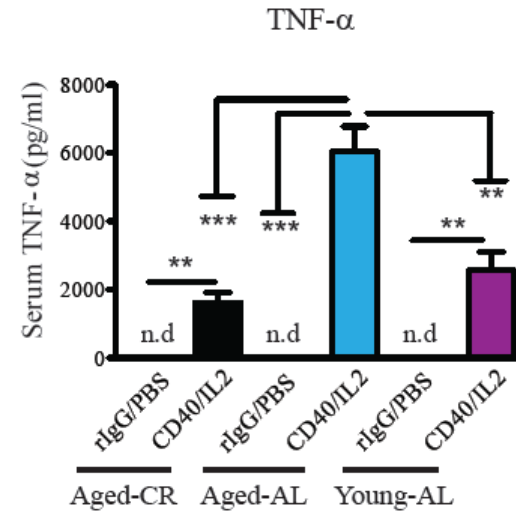
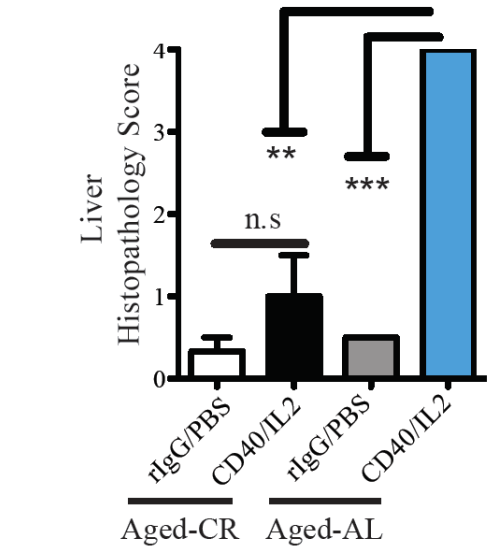
# ROLE OF FAT IN INFLAMMATORY PROCESSES



## Obesity Associated With:

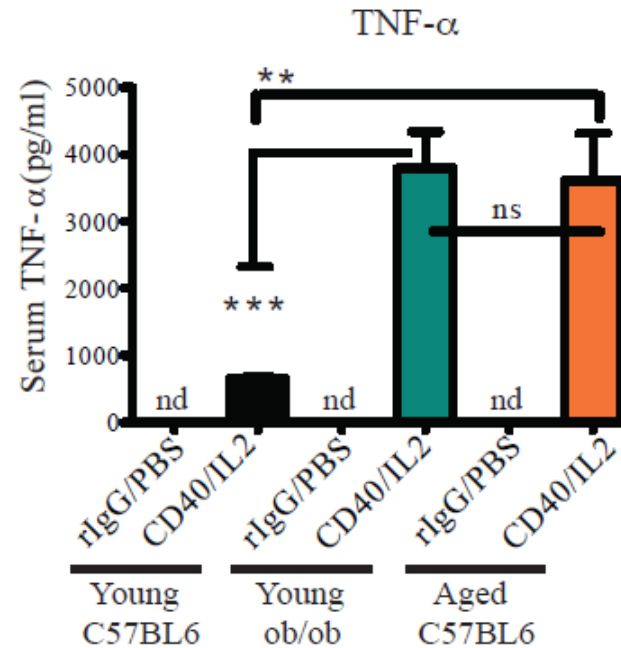
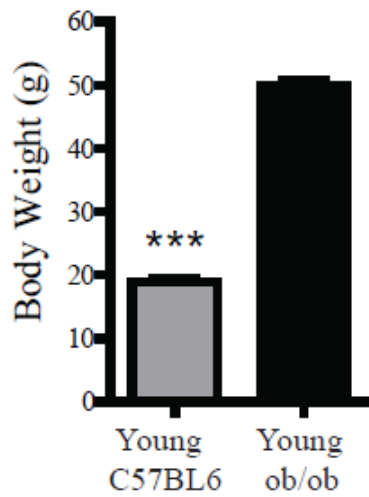
- Infiltration of CD8s, MOs
- Decreased T regs
- TNF $\alpha$  mediated induction of insulin resistance (IR) by activating SOCS proteins that bind to insulin receptor
- IL-6 promotes IR by activating SOCS-3, STAT 3-5
- FFAs lead to ER stress activating NF $\kappa$ B and recruitment of immune cells

# CALORIC RESTRICTION RESCUES AGED MICE FROM EXACERBATED CYTOKINE STORM AND ACUTE TOXICITY

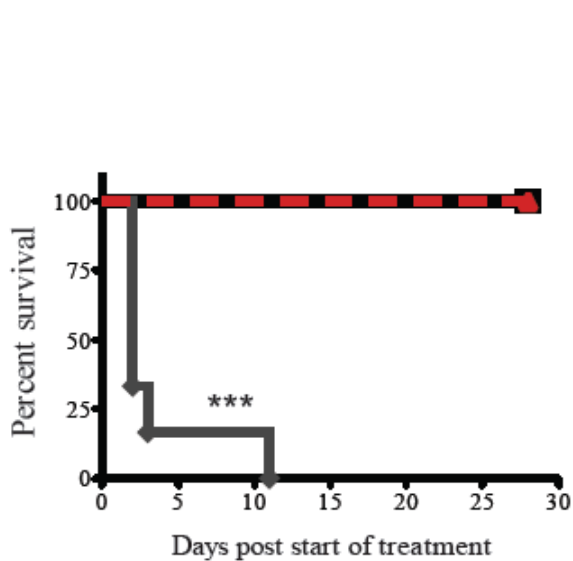




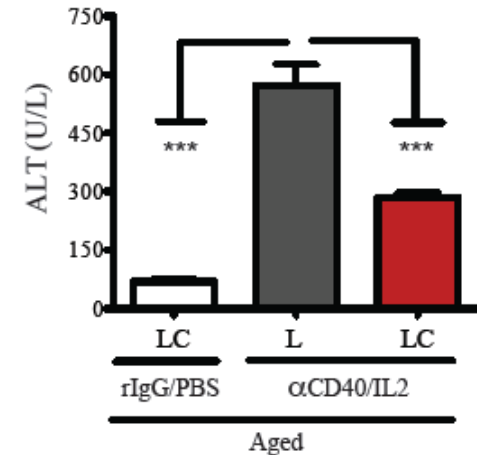
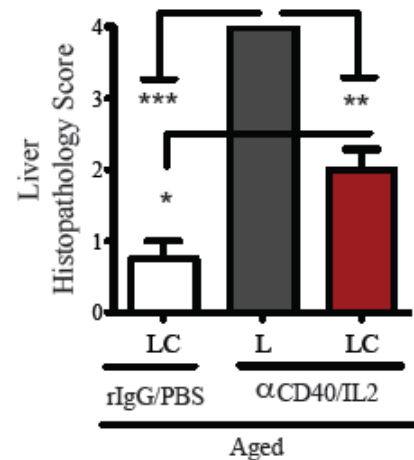
# YOUNG OBESE MICE EXPRESS HEIGHTENED LEVELS OF PROINFLAMMATORY CYTOKINES SIMILAR TO AGED



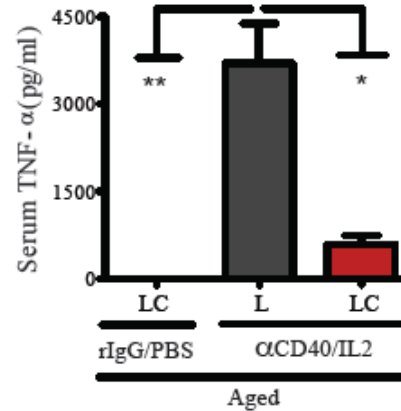
# MACROPHAGE DEPLETION PROTECTS AGED MICE FROM ACUTE TOXICITY AND DIMINISHES CYTOKINE STORM



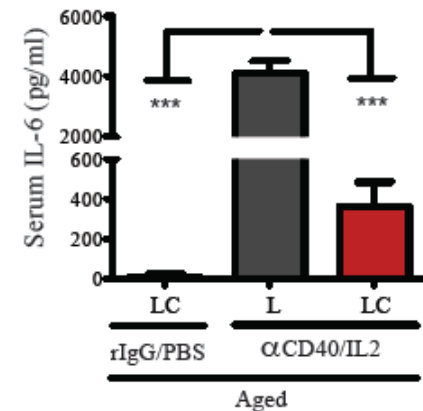
- Aged: rIgG/PBS+LC
- ◆ Aged: αCD40/IL2+L
- Aged: αCD40/IL2+LC



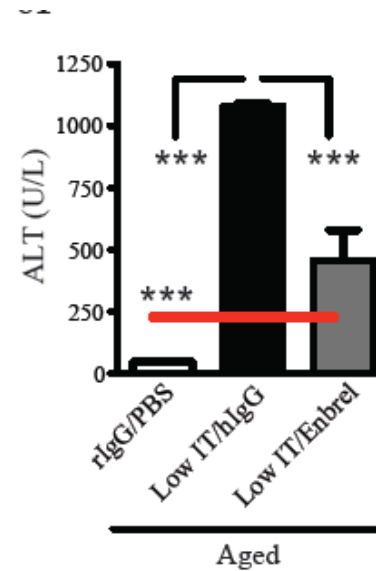
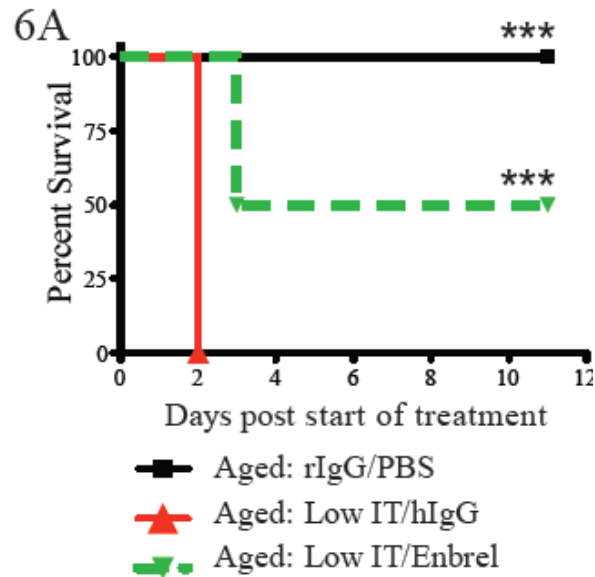
TNF-α



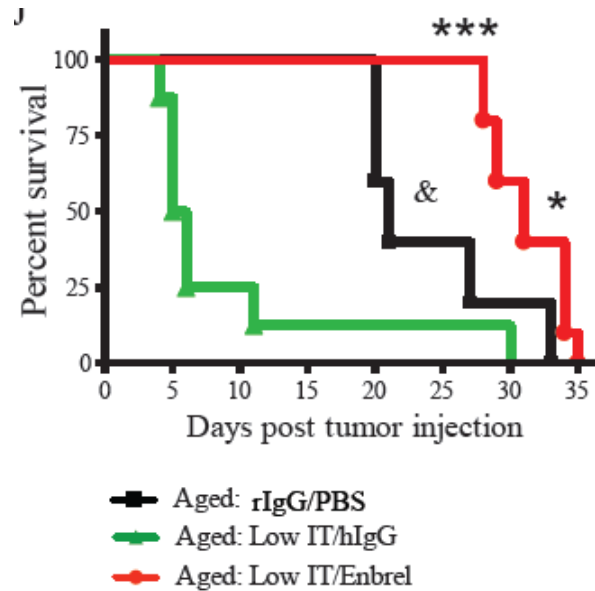
IL-6



# TNF-BLOCKADE RESCUES AGED MICE FROM ACUTE TOXICITY FOLLOWING IMMUNOTHERAPY



# CONCURRENT TNF-BLOCKADE WITH IMMUNOTHERAPY ALLOWS FOR ANTITUMOR EFFECTS IN AGED MICE



# CONCLUSIONS

- FOLLOWING IT, AGED MICE EXHIBIT:
  - CYTOKINE STORM: ELEVATED TNF $\alpha$ , IL-6, and IFN $\gamma$
  - MULTIORGAN FAILURE, RAPID DEATH
  - MACROPHAGE DEPENDENT
  - TNF $\alpha$  CRUCIAL MEDIATOR
- BODY FAT PLAYS ROLE IN EXACERBATED CYTOKINE PRODUCTION
- AGE and BODY FAT MAY PLAY SIGNIFICANT ROLES IN CLINICAL CANCER THERAPY OUTCOMES

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