



**Role of capsaicin-sensitive fibres, TRPV1 receptors
and tachykinins in PAR2 activation-induced
joint inflammation and nociception**

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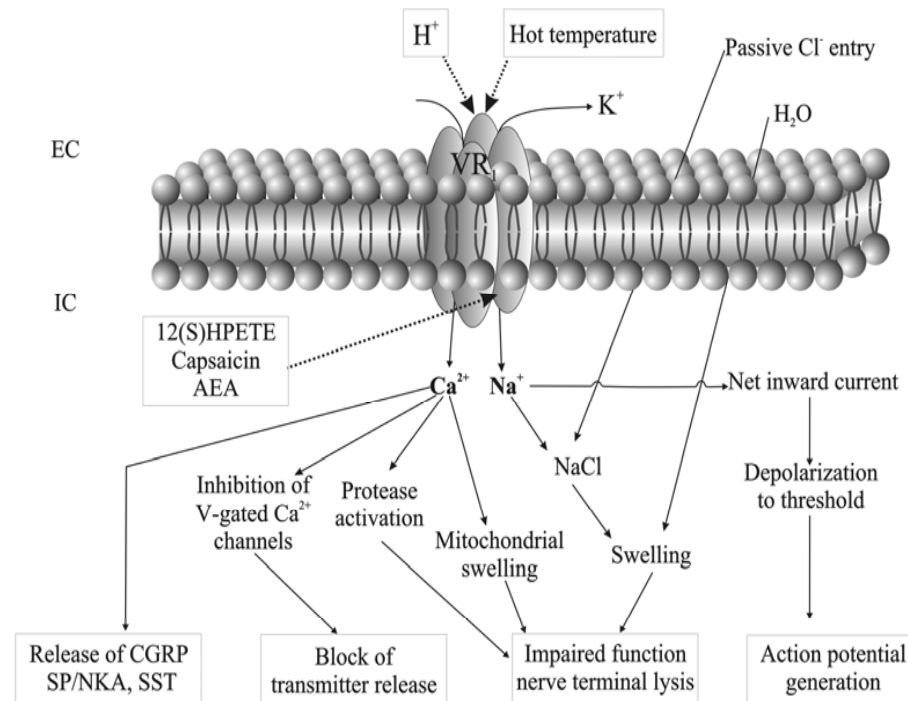


Transient Receptor Potential Vanilloid 1 (TRPV1)

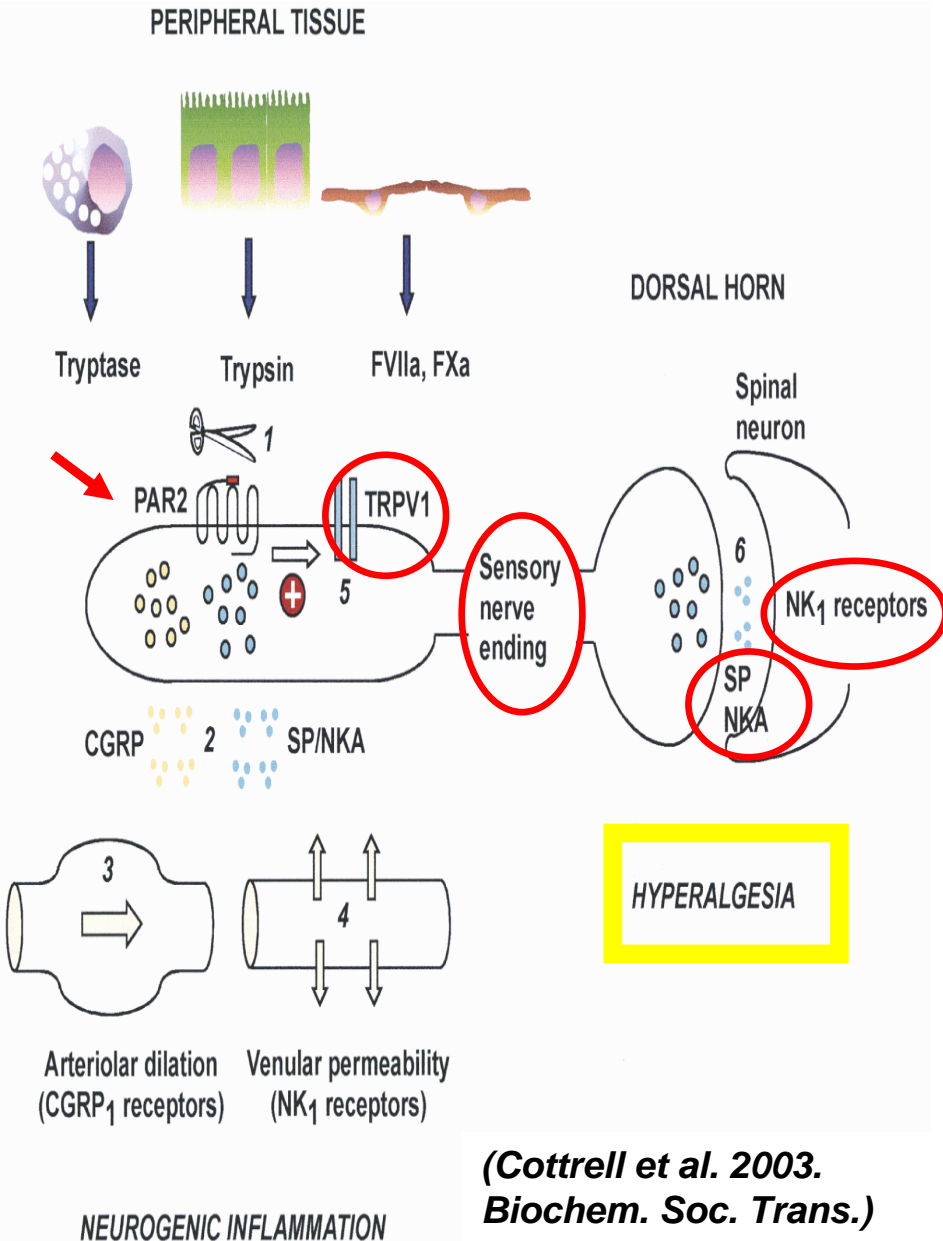


- Non-selective cation channel
- **Localization:** capsaicin-sensitive primary afferent neurones (keratinocytes, epithelial cells, urothelium)
- **Activation:** capsaicin, noxious heat, protons, inflammatory mediators (eg. lipoxygenase products) etc.
- **Sensitization:** prostaglandins, bradykinin, etc.

- Na^+ and Ca^{2+} influx
↓
action potential
↓
neuropeptide release
(**tachykinins**,
CGRP,
somatostatin, PACAP)



Involvement of PAR2 and TRPV1 receptors in neurogenic inflammation and thermal hyperalgesia



Role of capsaicin-sensitive fibres in PAR-2 activation-induced

➤ **inflammation and nociception: reduced response after capsaicin desensitization**

(Shu et al. 2005; Gu and Lee 2006; Shimizu et al. 2007; Paszcuk et al. 2009)

➤ **scratching behaviour: diminished after TRPV1 antagonist**

(Costa et al. 2008)

➤ **thermal hyperalgesia: smaller after TRPV1 antagonist**

(Amadesi et al. 2004)

➤ **urinary bladder contractions: inhibited by TRPV1 antagonist**

(Shimizu et al. 2007)

In vivo data on intraarticular PAR-2 activation:

Synovial hyperaemia, oedema

(Ferrel et al. 2003; Busso et al. 2007)



AIMS:

Investigation of the involvement of

- ❖ **TRPV1 receptors**
- ❖ **capsaicin-sensitive peptidergic afferents**
- ❖ **the tachykinin system**

in PAR2 receptor activation-induced
knee joint inflammation and consequent
mechanical hyperalgesia



EXPERIMENTAL MODELS- I.

Syntethic PAR2-activating peptide:
SLIGRL-NH₂

Rat

(Wistar)

1.) 100 µg/100 µl SLIGRL-NH₂

2.) 500 µg/kg i.p. **TRPV1
receptor antagonist
(SB366791) +
SLIGRL-NH₂**

into the right knee joint

Mouse

(C57BL/6 wildtype = **WT**
TRPV1 deficient = **TRPV1^{-/-}**)

1.) 100 µg/50 µl SLIGRL-NH₂
into the knee joint

2.) For comparison:
Injection of 100 µg/50 µl
SLIGRL-NH₂
intraplantarily

Control: inactive peptide- **LRGILS-NH₂** on the contralateral side
Measurements: every hour throughout 6 h



EXPERIMENTAL MODELS- II.

Mouse

Natural PAR2-activating agent: Mast Cell Tryptase (MCT)

1.) C57BL/6 wildtype = **WT**

2.) Resiniferatoxin (RTX)
pretreatment

30-70-100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$ s.c.

\Rightarrow selective destruction of
capsaicin-sensitive peptidergic
sensory nerves

TRPV1 deficient = **TRPV1^{-/-}**

TAC1 deficient (SP, NKA)
= **TAC1^{-/-}**

NK1 deficient = **NK1^{-/-}**

100 $\mu\text{g}/50 \mu\text{l}$ MCT 2 weeks later
into the knee joint

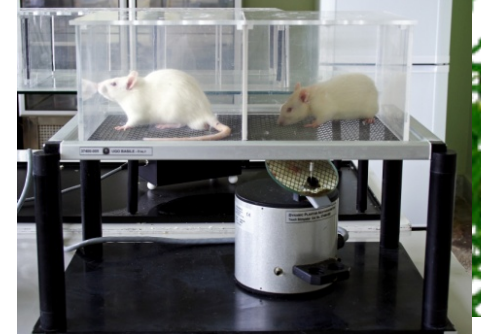
Control: saline on the contralateral side

Measurements: every hour throughout 6 h

INVESTIGATIONAL TECHNIQUES-I.

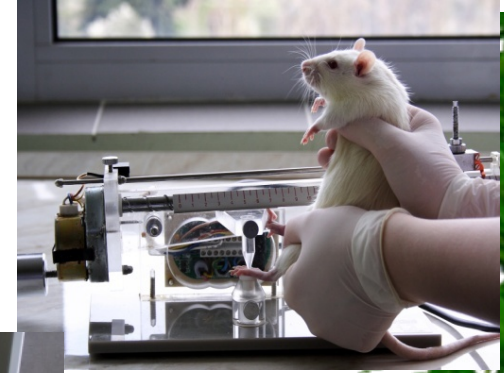
Rat knee joint inflammation

1.) Touch sensitivity of the plantar surface of the paw—
dynamic plantar aesthesiometer



Secondary mechanical allodynia/hyperalgesia

2.) Mechanonociceptive threshold of the paw —
analgesimeter



3.) Spontaneous weight distribution—
incapacitance tester



4.) Inflammatory cytokine concentration in the joint homogenate (IL-1 β)— *ELISA*



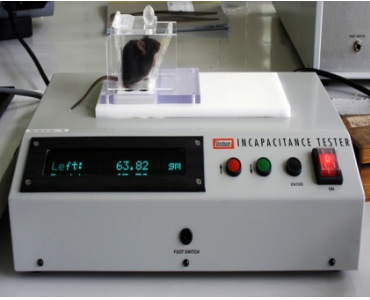
INVESTIGATIONAL TECHNIQUES-II.

Mouse



A. Knee joint inflammation

II. Paw inflammation



- 1.) Spontaneous weight distribution – *incapitance tester*
- 2.) Inflammatory cytokine concentration (IL-1 β) – *ELISA*



- 3.) Knee diameter (\Rightarrow swelling) – *digital micromete*.

- 3.) Paw volume – *plethysmometer*



- 4.) Touch sensitivity – *aesthesiometer*



Secondary mechanical hyperalgesia



Primary mechanical hyperalgesia



RESULTS



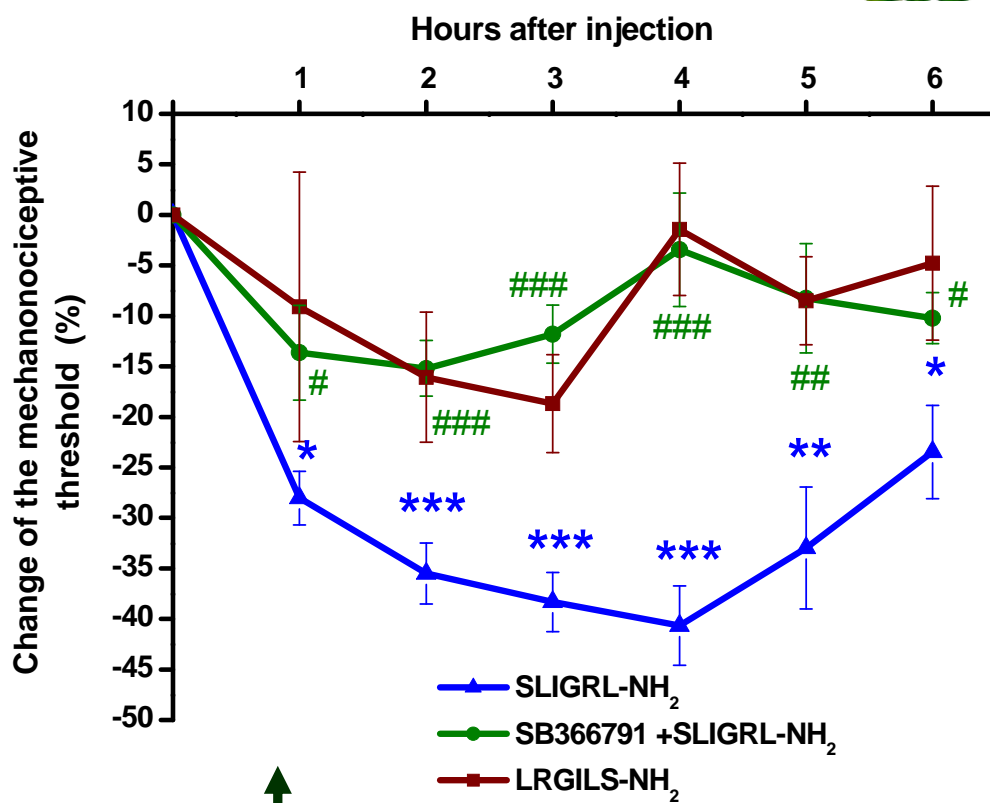
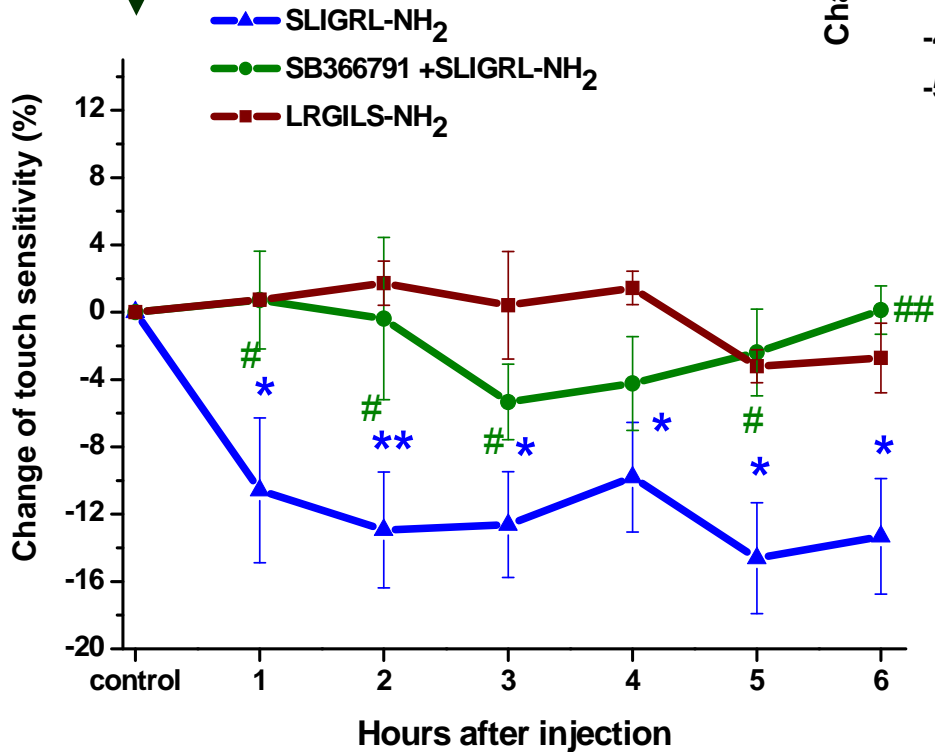
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- Effects of SLIGRL-NH₂ in the knee
- Role for TRPV1?
(with *antagonist*)



Rat joint

Secondary mechanical allodynia

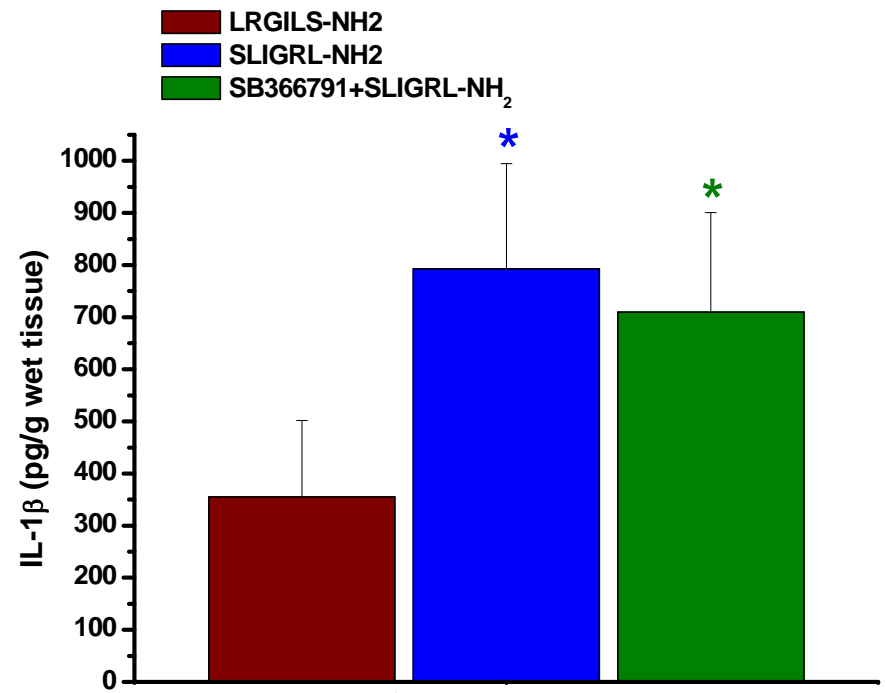
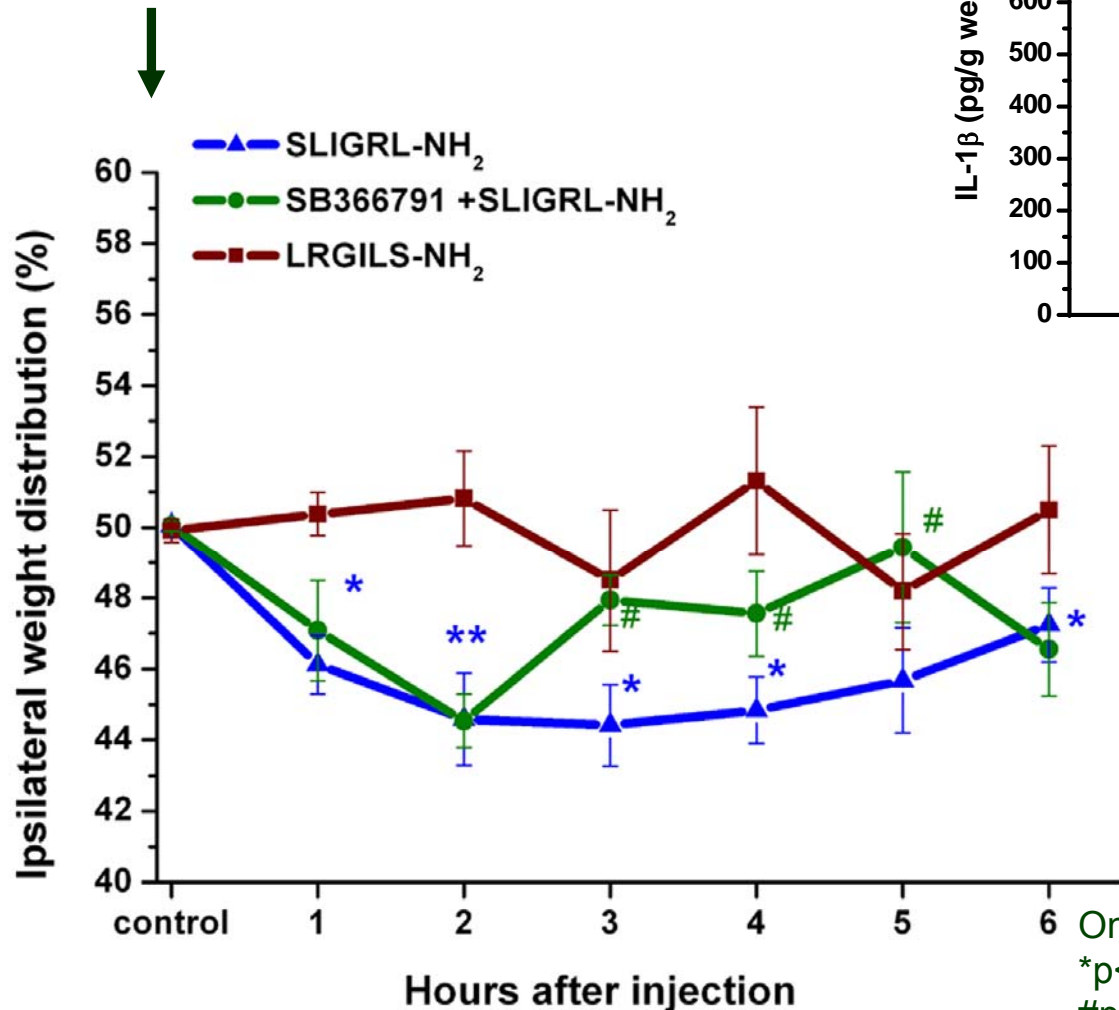


Secondary mechanical hyperalgesia

One way ANOVA + Bonferroni's post test
 *p<0.05; **p<0.01, ***p<0.001 vs. inactive peptide
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 n=6-10/group

Rat joint

Spontaneous weight bearing



IL-1β



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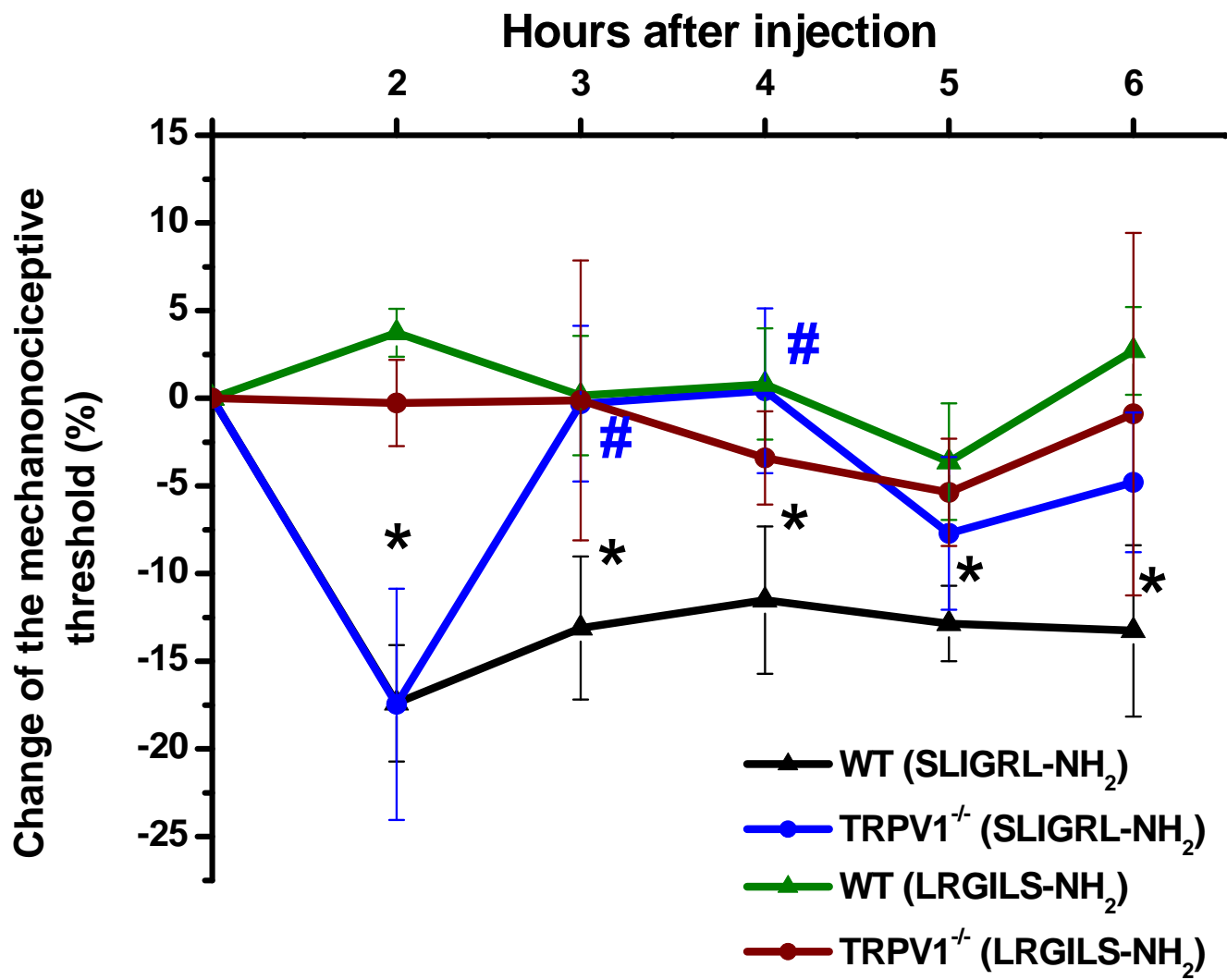
II. MICE

- Effects of SLIGRL-NH₂ in the knee compared to the paw
- Role for TRPV1?
(with *gene-deleted mice*)



Mouse joint

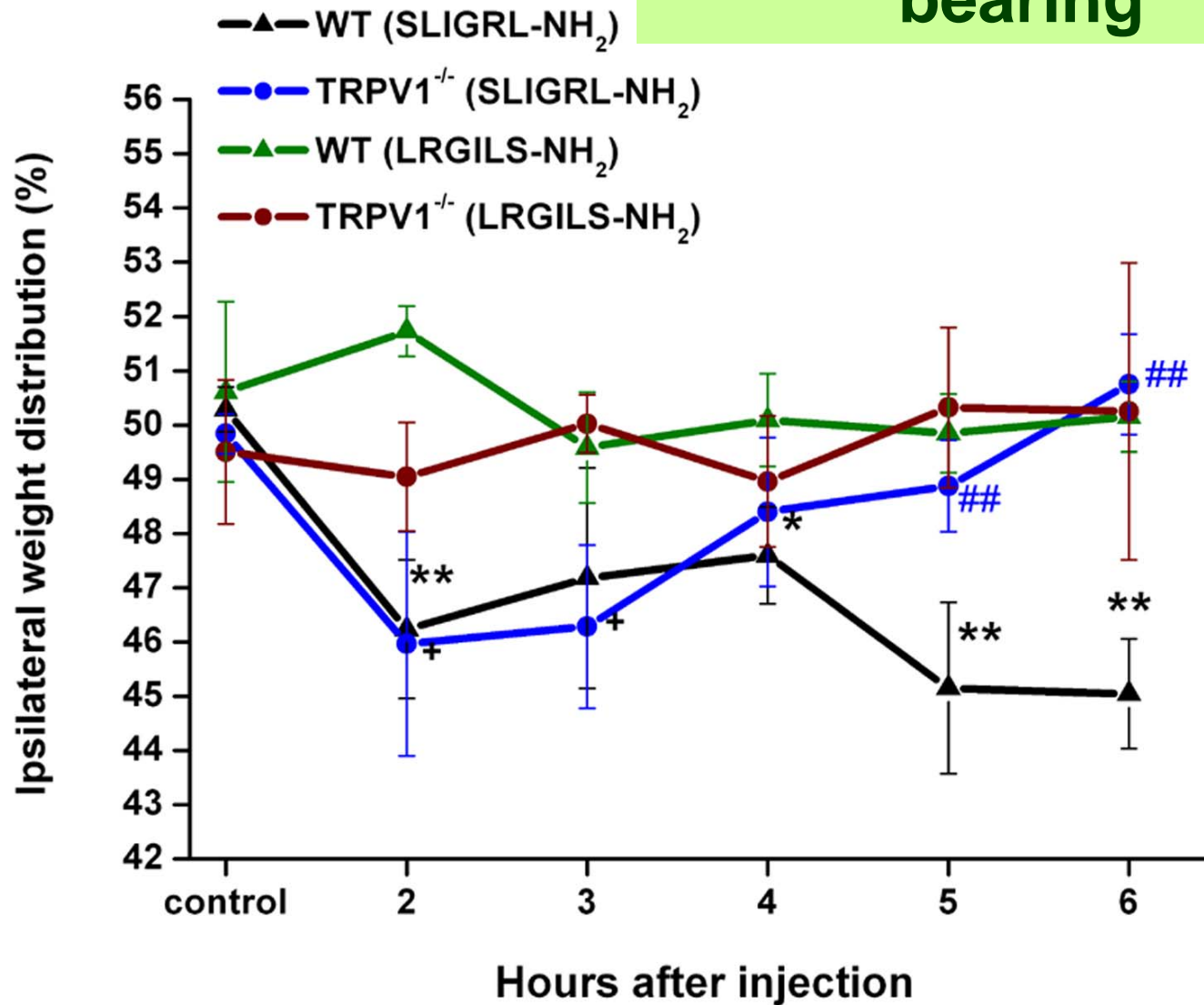
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Mouse joint

Spontaneous weight bearing

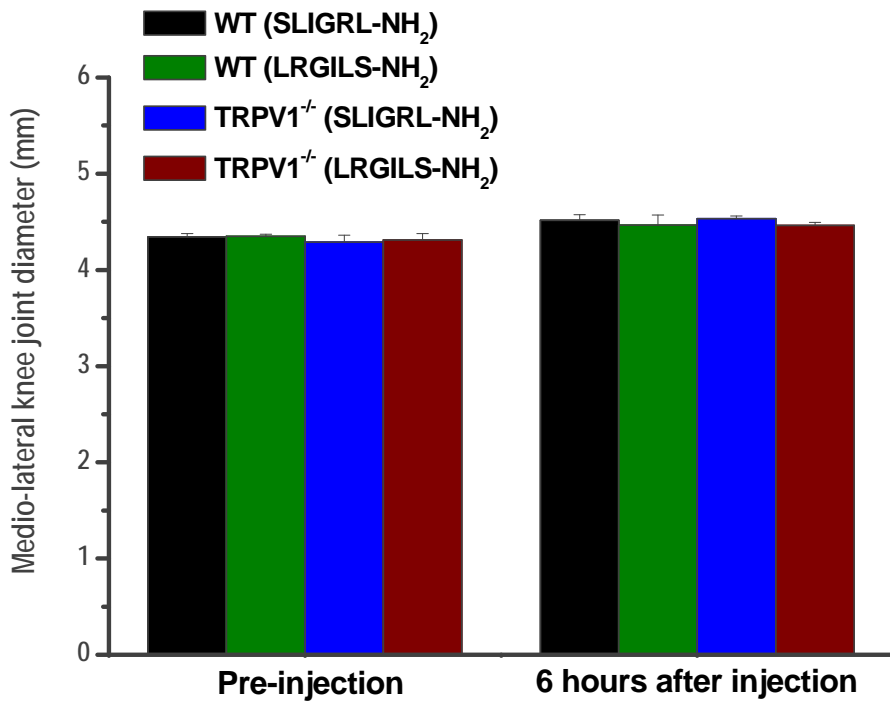


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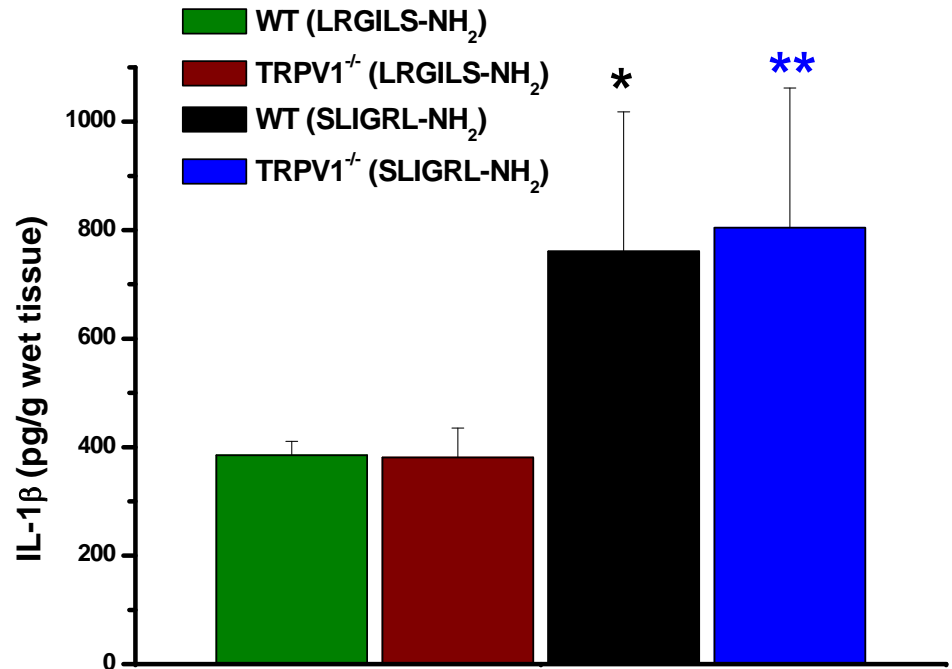
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Mouse joint



IL-1 β

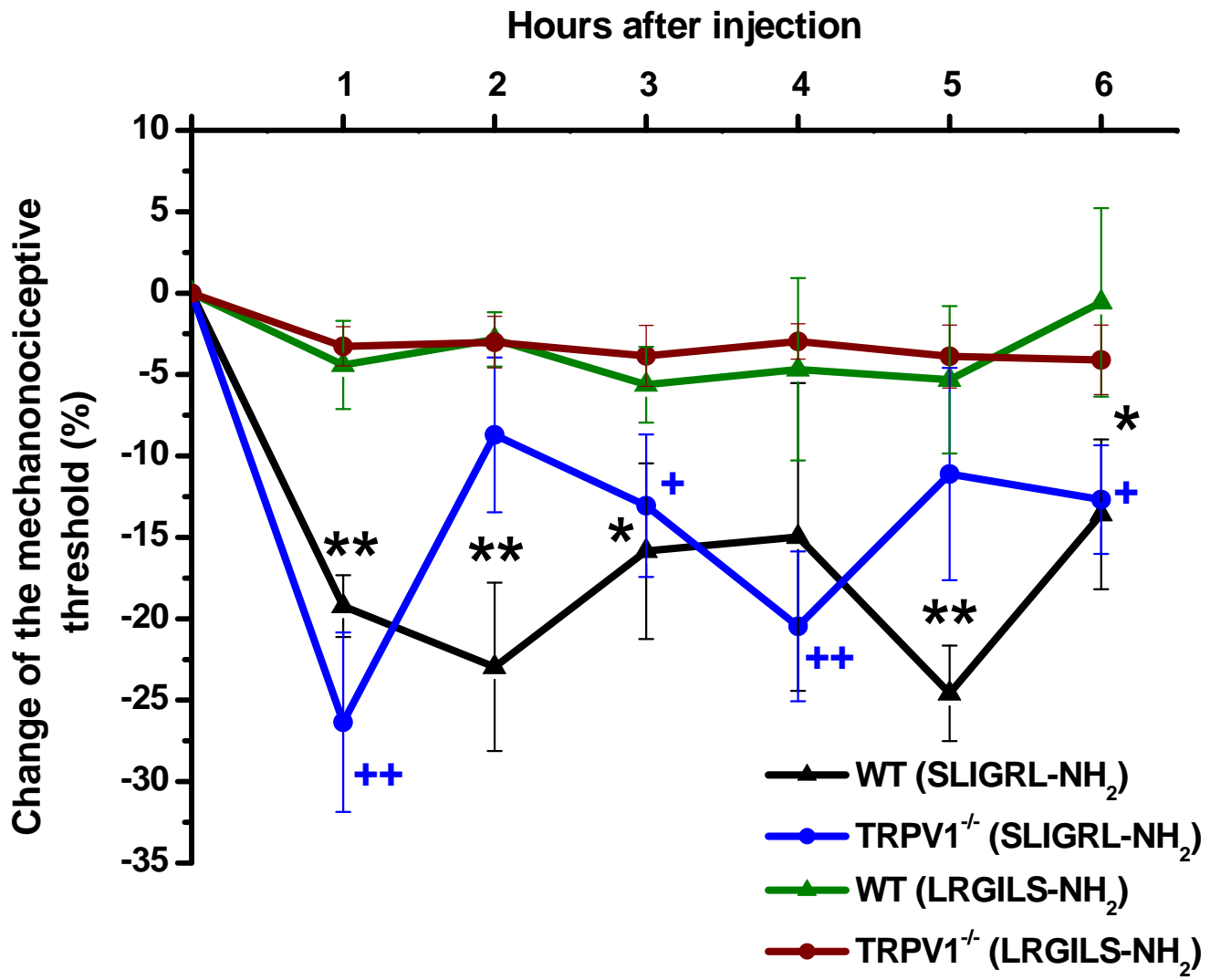
Knee diameter



One way ANOVA + Bonferroni's post test
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n=6-8/group

Mouse paw

Primary mechanical hyperalgesia

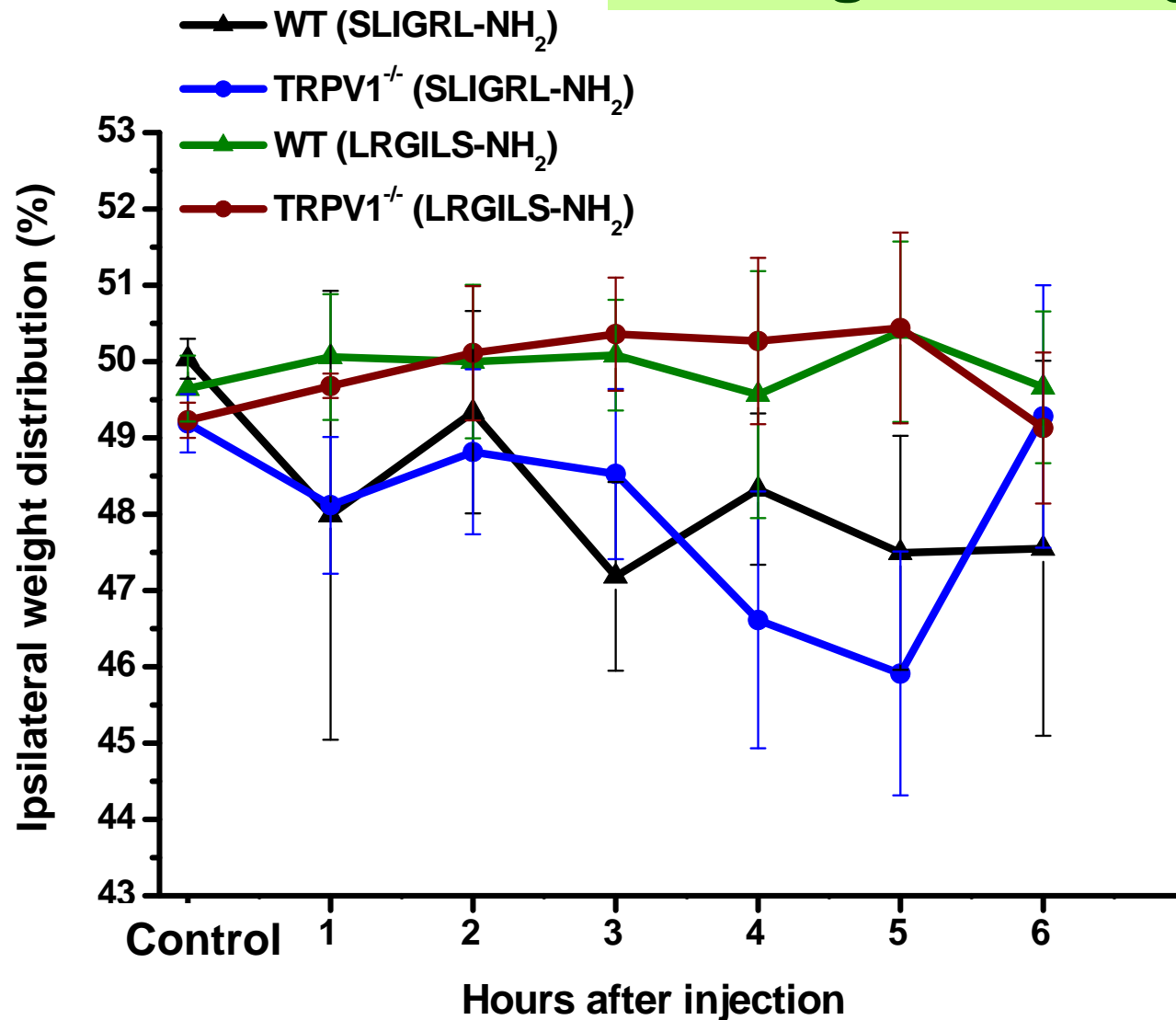


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Mouse paw

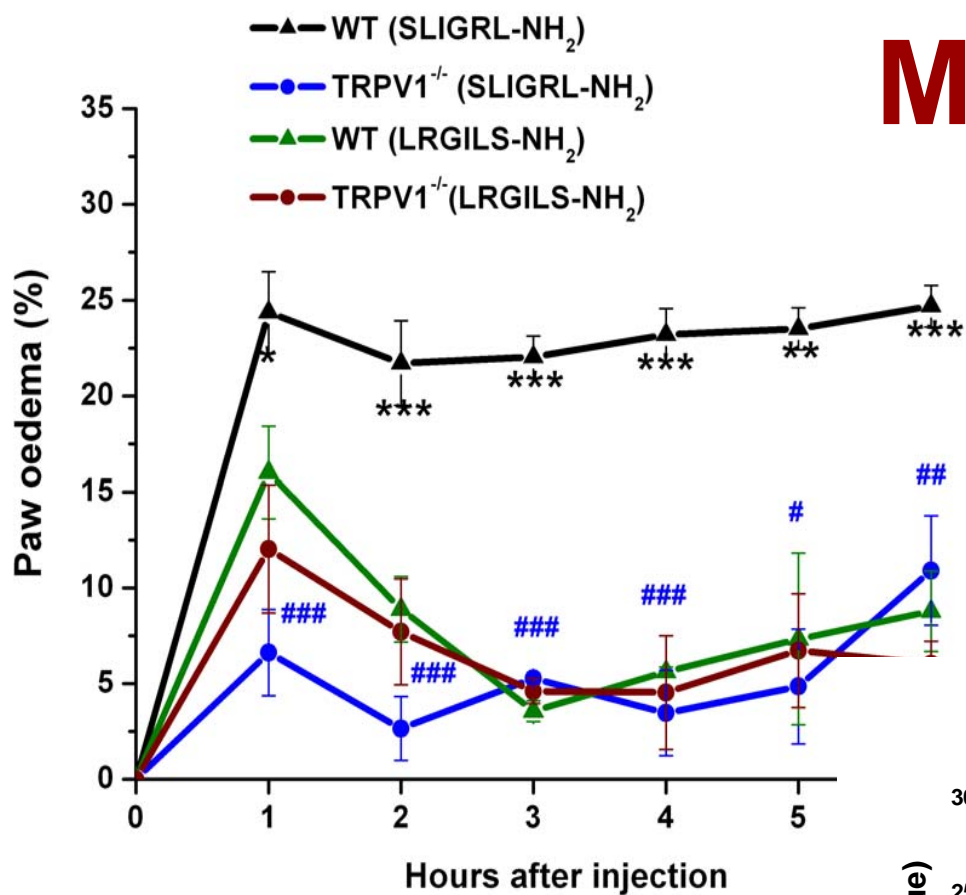
Spontaneous weight bearing



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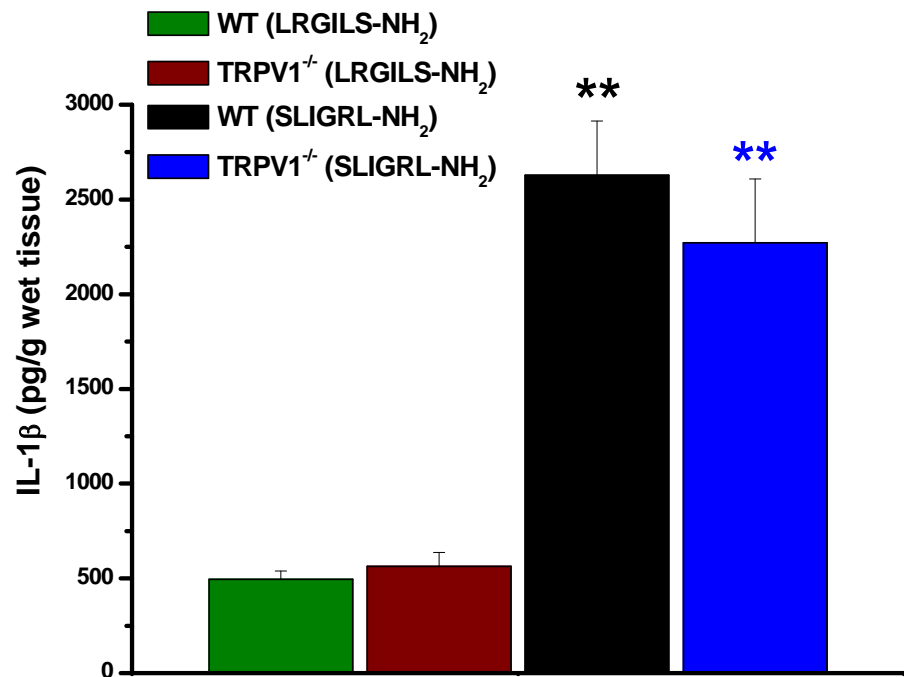
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Mouse paw



Oedema

IL-1 β



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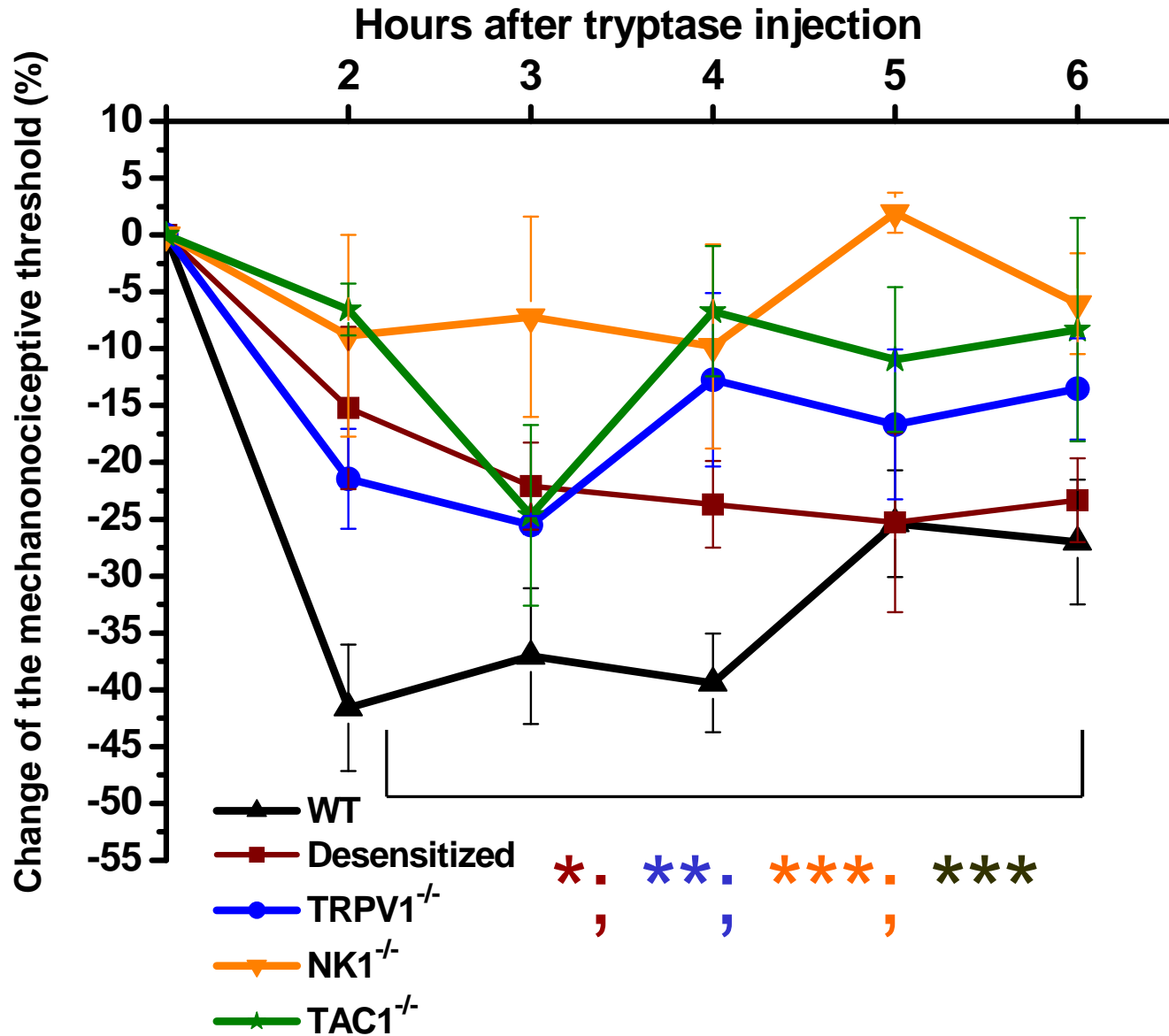
III. MICE

- Effect of MCT in the knee
- Role for
 - ❖ capsaicin-sensitive nerves
 - ❖ TRPV1 channels and
 - ❖ tachykinins?
(with *desensitization* and *gene-deleted mice*)



Mouse joint

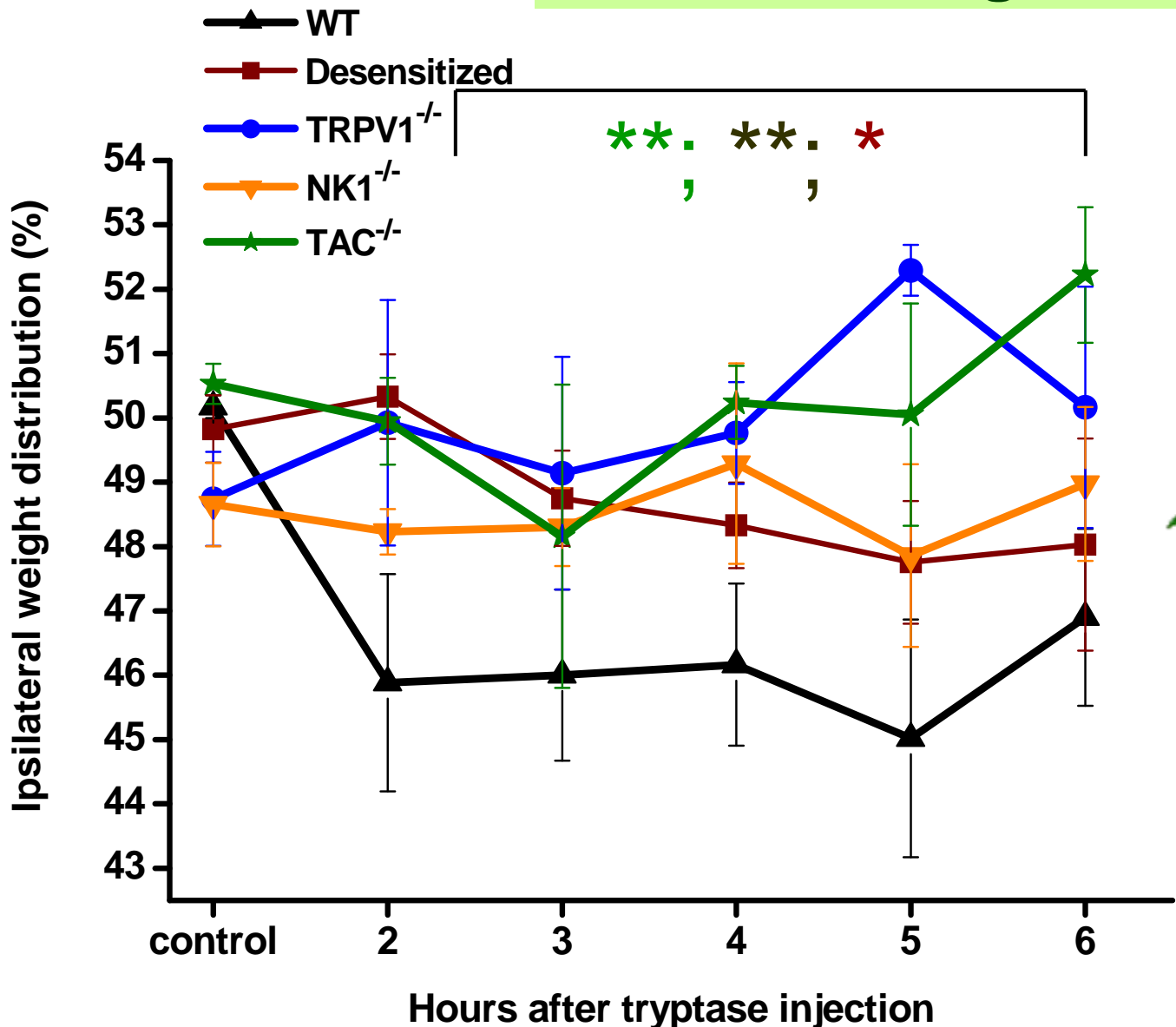
Secondary mechanical hyperalgesia



One way ANOVA +Dunnett's post test; *p<0.05, **p<0.01; ***p<0.001 vs. WT; n=6/group

Mouse joint

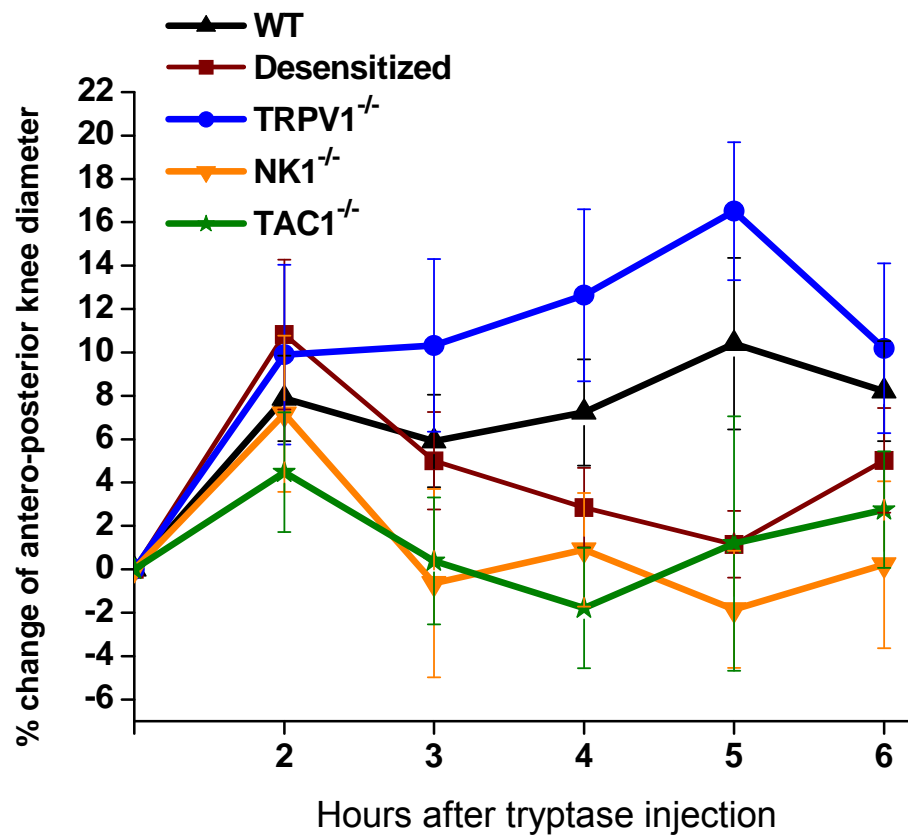
Spontaneous weight bearing



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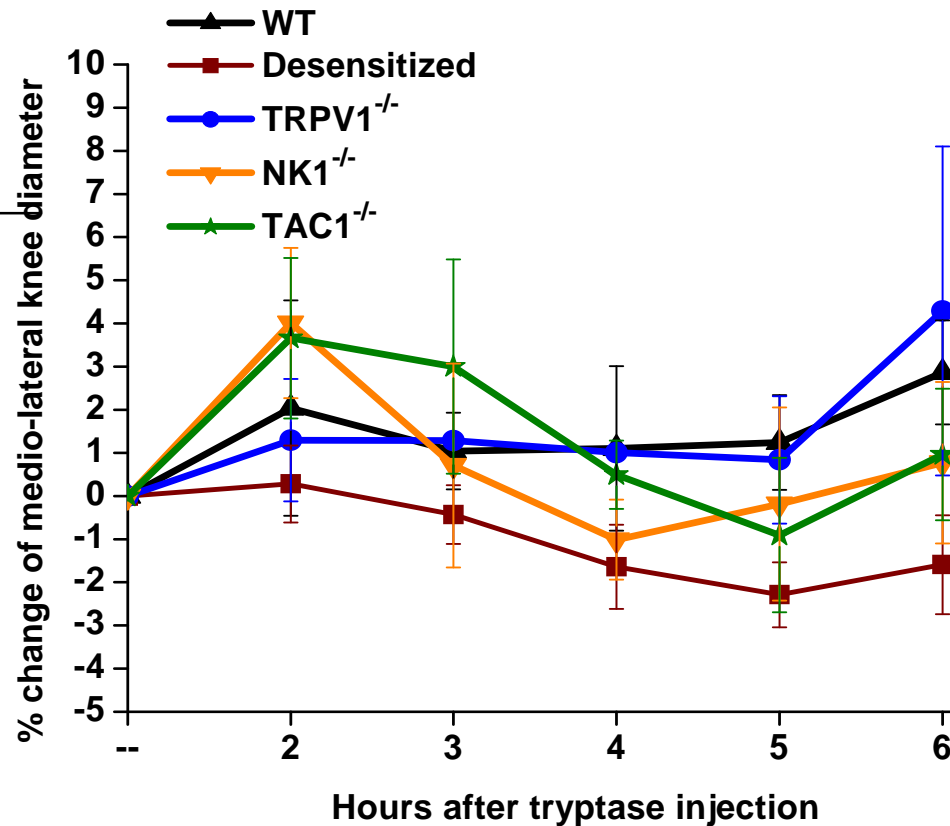
Mouse joint

Knee diameter



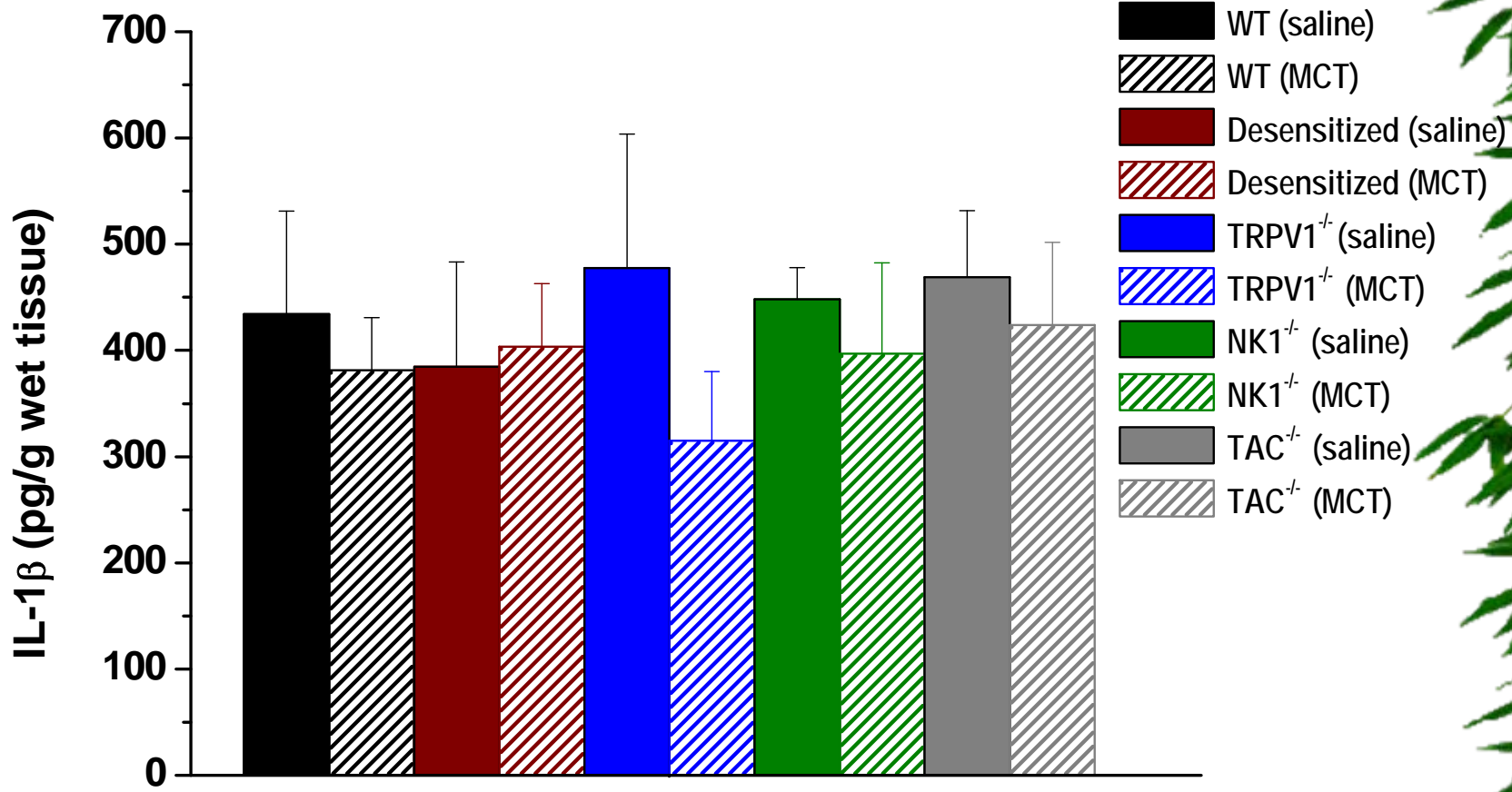
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one way ANOVA + Dunnett's post test

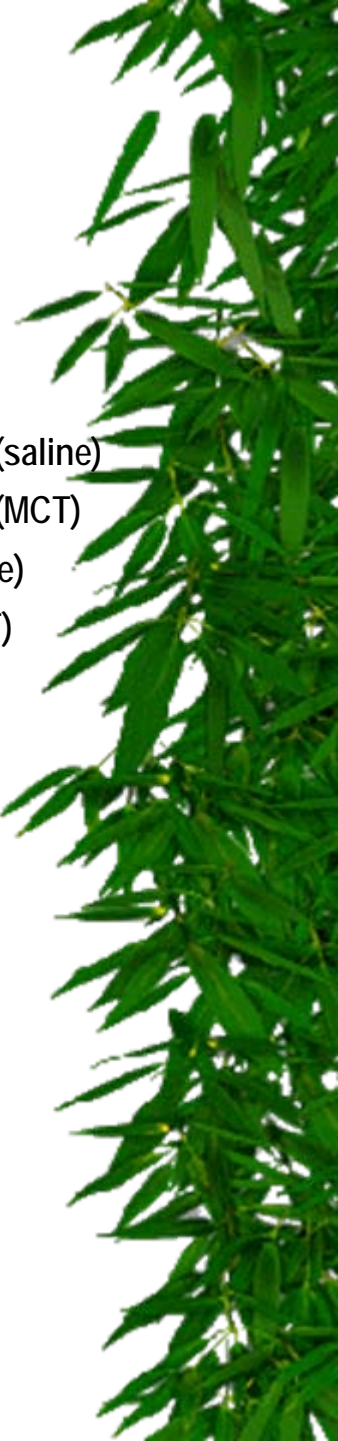


Mouse joint

IL-1 β



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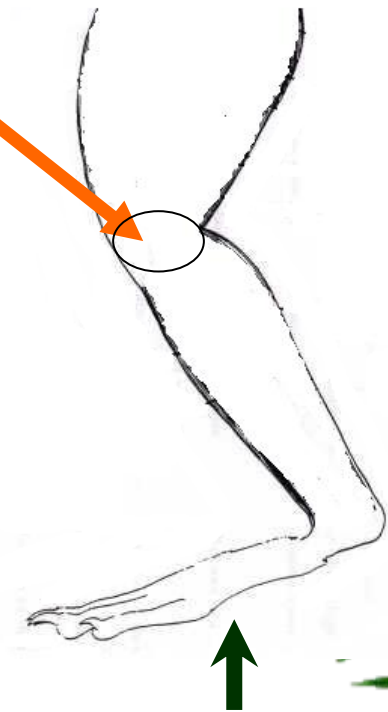
SUMMARY I.

Rat knee joint

PAR2 activation (**SLIGRL-NH₂**)

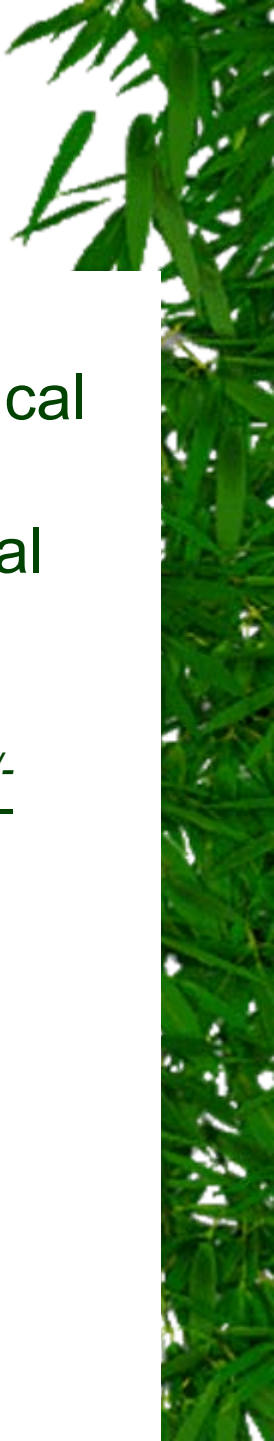
- significant secondary mechanical hyperalgesia, allodynia and
- decreased ipsilateral weight bearing

- which are abolished/ markedly **decreased** (after 2 h) by the **TRPV1** receptor antagonist pretreatment



SUMMARY II.

Mice: PAR2 activation (SLIGRL-NH2)



1.) Knee joint:

-**Secondary** mechanical hyperalgesia

-Decreased ipsilateral weight bearing



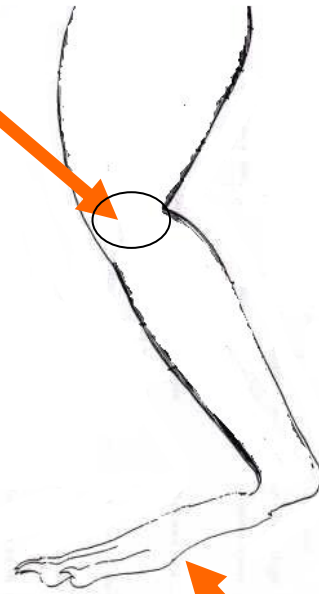
Significantly smaller in TRPV1^{-/-} mice

-IL-1 β increase



Similar in TRPV1^{-/-} mice

-No joint swelling



2.) Paw:

-**Primary** mechanical hyperalgesia

-Impaired ipsilateral weight bearing



Similar in TRPV1^{-/-} mice

-**Paw oedema**



50% smaller in TRPV1^{-/-} mice

SUMMARY III.

Mouse knee joint: comparison of



Synthetic PAR2 activating agent **SLIGRL-NH₂**

- ❖ No joint swelling
- ❖ 50% IL-1 β increase
- ❖ 15-20 % secondary mechanical hyperalgesia
- ❖ Impaired weight distribution

Natural PAR2 activating **MCT**

- ❖ 8-10% joint swelling
- ❖ No IL-1 β increase
- ❖ 30-40 % secondary mechanical hyperalgesia
- ❖ Impaired weight distribution

SUMMARY IV.

Mouse knee joint : PAR2 activation (MCT)

- **Secondary** mechanical hyperalgesia
- **Impaired** ipsilateral **weight bearing**



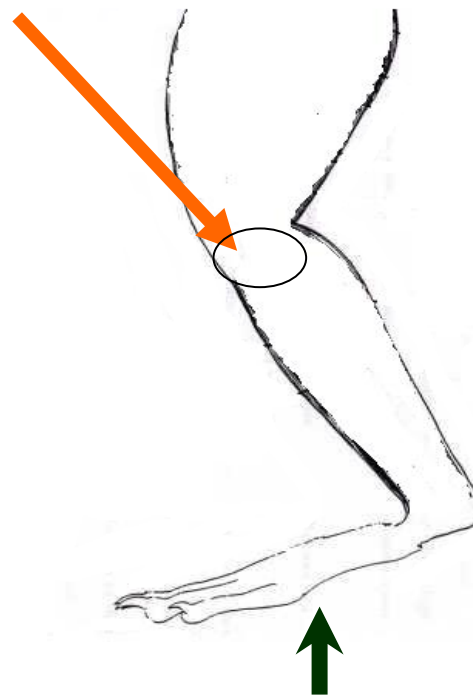
Significantly decreased in RTX-desensitized, TRPV1^{-/-}, TAC1^{-/-} and NK1^{-/-} mice

- Moderate **joint swelling**



Significantly smaller in TAC1^{-/-} and NK1^{-/-} mice
Similar in TRPV1^{-/-} mice

- No IL-1 β increase



CONCLUSIONS I.

PAR2 activation in the knee joint ➡ inflammation

- a.) **secondary mechanical hyperalgesia/allodynia**
(involve central mechanisms and sensitization)
- b.) **spontaneously decreased ipsilateral weight distribution**

mediated by capsaicin-sensitive fibres, TRPV1 receptors, TAC1 gene-encoded tachykinins (SP, NKA) and NK1 receptors



-TRPV1 on peptidergic afferents is likely to be activated/sensitized by mediators released through PAR2 stimulation

-Central mechanisms are suggested through SP and NK1 receptors



CONCLUSIONS II.

Intraplantar PAR2 activation ➡ paw inflammation

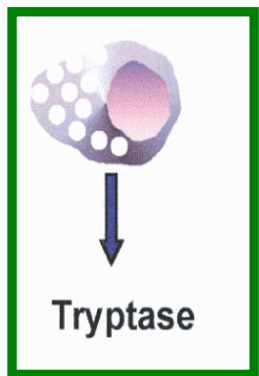
- a.) **paw swelling**: TRPV1 receptor-mediated
- b.) **primary mechanical hyperalgesia**
(predominantly mediated by peripheral mechanisms)
- c.) **spontaneously decreased unilateral weight distribution**

in which TRPV1 receptor activation does not play a role

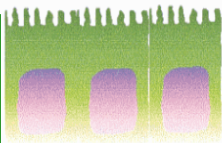


PERIPHERAL TISSUE

Joint



Tryptase



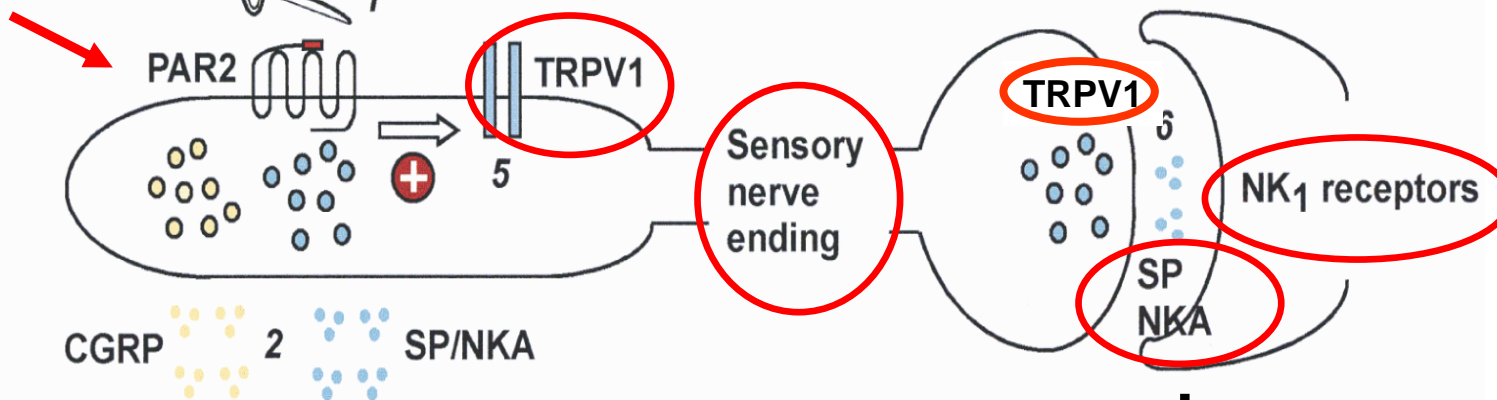
Trypsin



FVIIa, FXa

DORSAL HORN

Spinal neuron



Sensory nerve ending

TRPV1

NK₁ receptors

SP
NKA

CGRP

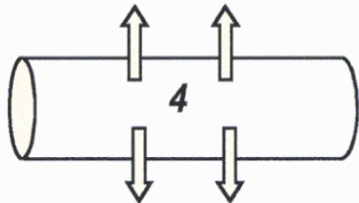
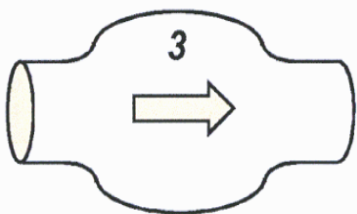
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SP/NKA

TRPV1

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Secondary hyperalgesia



Arteriolar dilation
(CGRP₁ receptors)

Venular permeability
(NK₁ receptors)

NEUROGENIC INFLAMMATION

(Cottrell et al. 2003. *Biochem. Soc. Trans.*)

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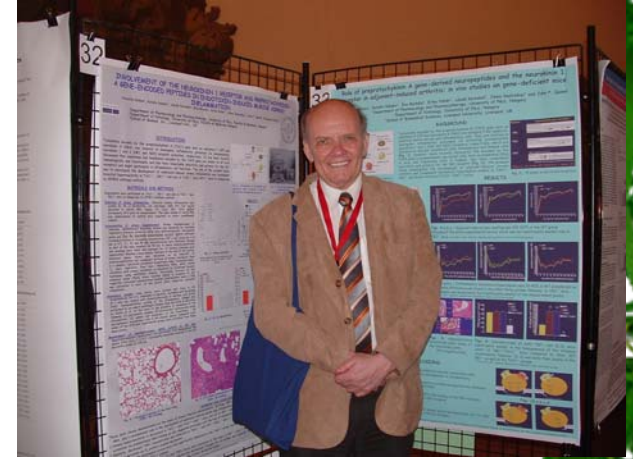
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