

**A transcriptomic approach for studying the activation of
dendritic cells in response to mycobacterial infections**

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Abstract

Mycobacterium tuberculosis (*M. tuberculosis*) is responsible for 2 million deaths annually. In recent years co-infection with HIV and drug-resistant strains has led to the increase in clinical cases of tuberculosis. BCG is the only vaccine currently available but is ineffective against adult pulmonary forms of the disease. Understanding the principle components of the host immune response against the pathogen will aid in the design of a better vaccine. Dendritic cells are potent antigen presenting cells that play a key role in priming naïve T cells. Effective T cell priming is necessary for a successful protective immune response in the host against the pathogen.

I have been investigating the interaction of dendritic cells with *M. tuberculosis*, with a view to better understanding the signalling pathways affecting priming of anti-mycobacterial T cells by dendritic cells. Using DNA microarray and bio-informatics, I have been able to study early transcriptional signatures of bone marrow-derived dendritic cells (BMDCs) in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Interferon Regulatory Factors (IRFs) and NFκB (Nuclear Factor kappa B) appear to be the principal transcription factors involved in regulating the cellular responses in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs. It has been found that IRFs can function independent of the adaptor MyD88 (Myeloid Differentiation Factor 88) in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs, which is surprising considering the important role played by MyD88 in the Toll mediated signalling pathway. Ex-vivo experiments also show that MyD88 may not be absolutely essential for mounting anti-mycobacterial T cell responses. Hence immune responses generated by *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs appear to be mediated via the MyD88 dependent and independent pathways.

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List of abbreviations

AP-1	Activator protein-1
ATP	Adenosine triphosphate
BCG	Bacille Calmette Guérin
BMDCs	Bone marrow derived dendritic cells
CCL	Chemokine (C-C motif) ligand
CCR	C-C chemokine receptor
CFP-10	Culture filtrate protein-10
CFU	Colony forming units
CpG	Deoxy-cytidylate-phosphate-deoxy-guanylate
CR	Complement receptor
C-rel	Reticuloendotheliosis oncogene
DC-SIGN	Dendritic cell specific ICAM-3 grabbing non-integrin
dsRNA	Double stranded ribonucleic acid
EDTA	Ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid
ELISA	Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay
ELISPOT	Enzyme-linked immunosorbent spot
ESAT-6	Early secreted antigen-6
Fc	Fragment crystallisable
Foxp3	Forkhead box P3
FSC	Forward scatter
GAPDH	Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase
GAS	IFN- γ activated sequence
GCRMA	GC-Robust Multiarray Analysis
GFP	Green fluorescent protein
GM-CSF	Granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor
G.O.I	Gene of interest
HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus
HKG	House keeping gene
HRP	Horseradish peroxidase enzyme
ICAM	Intercellular adhesion molecule
IFNAR	Interferon (alpha and beta) receptor

IFNGR	Interferon gamma receptor
IFNs	Interferons
IKK	Inhibitor of nuclear factor kappa-B kinase
IL	Interleukin
iNOS	Inducible nitric oxide synthase
IRAK	IL-1-receptor-associated kinase
IRF	Interferon regulatory factor
ISGF3	Interferon stimulated gene factor 3
ISRE	Interferon stimulated response element
JAK	Janus kinase
LAM	Lipoarabinomannan
LPS	Lipopolysaccharide
<i>M. tuberculosis</i>	<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>
M.O.I	Multiplicity of infection
MAL	MyD88 adapter like
ManLAM	Mannosylated lipoarabinomannan
MDR-TB	Multi-drug resistant tuberculosis
MHC	Major histocompatibility complex
Mx	Myxovirus (influenza virus) resistance
MyD88	Myeloid differentiation primary response gene (88)
NFκB	Nuclear factor kappa B
NK cell	Natural killer cells
NIMR	National Institute for Medical Research
NO	Nitric oxide
OAS	2'-5'-oligoadenylate synthetase
PBS	Phosphate Buffered Saline
PI3K	Phosphoinositide 3-kinase
PIM	Phosphatidylinositol mannosides
Poly I :C	Polyriboinosinic polyribocytidylic acid
PPD	Purified protein derivative
RNA	Ribonucleic acid
rRNA	Ribosomal RNA
RNI	Reactive nitrogen intermediates
ROI	Reactive oxygen intermediates

SARM	Sterile α and armadillo motifs
SD	Standard deviation
SDS	Sodium dodecyl (lauryl) sulfate
SE	Standard error mean
SLE	Systemic lupus erythematosus
SOCS	Suppressors of cytokine signalling
SSC	Side scatter
STAT	Signal transducer and activator of transcription
TACO	Tryptophan-Aspartate containing coat
TB	Tuberculosis
TBK	TANK binding kinase 1
TELiS	Transcription element listening system
Th-1	T helper cells
TLRs	Toll-like receptors
TNF	Tumor necrosis factor
TRAF	TNF receptor associated factor-6
TRAM	TRIF-related adapter molecule
TRIF	TIR domain containing adaptor inducing interferon-beta
TYK-2	Tyrosine kinase 2
WHO	World health organisation
XDR-TB	Extensively drug resistant tuberculosis

Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1– Tuberculosis- a global disease

Tuberculosis (TB) is an ancient disease known for over 4000 years. One of the earliest records comments on identifying decay in the spinal cord fragments of Egyptian mummies from around 2400BC (Zink, Sola et al. 2003). The disease also called “consumption” or “white plague” is still responsible for approximately 2 million deaths every year. Overall, one third of the world’s population is infected with *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (*M. tuberculosis*), generally with no recognisable symptoms. The World Health Organisation (WHO) estimates that in 2004, approximately 14.6 million people were living with TB and about 1.7 million people died from the disease. About 80% of the world burden of TB is borne by 22 countries with one-third of the burden in India and China (WHO 2006). In recent years co-infection with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and appearance of multi-drug resistant (MDR) strains have led to the increased number of clinical cases. TB is the most common cause of death in HIV patients. Thus there is a lethal synergy between HIV and *M. tuberculosis*, which causes problems in the administration of TB control programmes. The rise in drug resistant strains, amounting to 300,000 new cases every year, alongside the recent cases of extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis (XDR-TB) has also contributed to increased problems in control of TB (WHO 2006). Chemotherapy for TB patients was established with the discovery of streptomycin in the 1940s. Standard tuberculosis chemotherapy involves (WHO 2006) taking isoniazid, rifampicin, pyrazinamide and ethambutol for two months and subsequently followed by isoniazid and rifampicin for four months. Strains categorised as MDR are resistant to at least the two front line drugs (rifampicin and isoniazid) and XDR-TB strains are resistant to the front-line drugs and in addition, are also resistant to fluoroquinolones and either capreomycin, kanamycin or amikacin (WHO 2006).

Conventional methods of diagnosis of TB include microscopy and bacterial culture. Microscopy is commonly used for identifying bacteria in sputum samples either using Ziehl-Neelsen or auramine-rhodamine staining, the latter being the current preferred option as it is quicker and more sensitive than Ziehl-Neelsen staining (Steingart, Henry et al. 2006). Bacteria from clinical specimens can be cultured conventionally in Löwenstein-Jensen, Kirchner, or Middlebrook media (7H10 or 7H11). In recent years, new automated systems such as

MB/BacT, BACTEC 9000, and the mycobacterial growth indicator tube offer faster methods of diagnosis. Chest X-rays are generally non-specific and expensive thus making them inaccessible to large proportion of patients in developing countries. Abnormalities in radiographs are suggestive but do not provide a conclusive diagnosis of TB infection. The other main method of detecting TB infection is by using the Mantoux test but this method lacks specificity and is highly variable in populations of immunocompromised individuals. Purified protein derivative (PPD), the major component of the tuberculin reagent used for the Mantoux test, cross-reacts with antigens from environmental mycobacteria thus increasing the risk of false positives (Andersen, Munk et al. 2000).

New assays based on detecting IFN- γ produced by T cells in response to early secreted antigenic target-6 (ESAT-6) and culture filtrate protein-10 (CFP-10) are more specific and thus provide more accurate testing than the Mantoux skin test. T-SPOT TB (developed by Oxford Immunotech, UK) and QuantiFERON-TB Gold (developed by Cellestis, Australia) have based their assays on these two antigens, ESAT-6 and CFP-10, encoded within the region of difference-1 locus of *M. tuberculosis*, which is absent from Bacille Calmette Guérin (BCG) and most other strains of mycobacteria; thus these tests offer increased specificity and reduced risk of false positives (Liu, Dosanjh et al. 2004). Despite advances in detection of TB infection in recent years, it remains difficult to distinguish between active vs latent TB.

In a recent report, messenger RNA (mRNA) transcripts for IL-8 (a chemoattractant for neutrophils, monocytes and T cells), forkhead box P3 (Foxp3, a regulatory T cell specific transcription factor) and IL-12p40 were consistently shown to have different expression levels between active and latent TB cases and thus were able to distinguish between these two disease states quite accurately (Wu, Huang et al. 2007). It was further suggested that measuring the expression of these three genes in response to TB antigens would offer an accurate method of distinguishing between latent and active TB cases but the feasibility of such a test would have to be assessed by including individuals co-infected with HIV, which were excluded from the present study (Wu, Huang et al. 2007).

TB control can be achieved using a suitable pre-exposure (prophylactic vaccine) or post-exposure vaccine. The current vaccine BCG is the only approved vaccine for the prevention of TB. BCG has had varying degrees of efficacy against adult pulmonary TB, ranging from providing no protection in South India to 80% protection in trials conducted by the UK Medical Research Council (Hart and Sutherland 1977). BCG is consistently effective against severe childhood forms of TB meningitis (Colditz, Brewer et al. 1994) although in 2005, routine BCG vaccination of school children was ended in the UK and now vaccination is only offered to children in high risk groups (TB incidence of more than 40 cases per 1000,000 individuals) in the UK. The low efficacy of BCG has been attributed to a number of factors including differences in the BCG strain that is being used for vaccination (Behr 2002) and exposure to environmental mycobacteria. The exposure to environmental mycobacteria primes the immune system against mycobacterial antigens shared with BCG and subsequently vaccination with BCG results in the rapid clearance of this strain, due to rapid recall responses (Demangel, Garnier et al. 2005). Another reason for the failure of BCG has been attributed to the increased levels of the cytokine IL-4, which can dampen T-helper 1 (Th-1) type immune response induced by BCG, thus leading to the reduced efficacy of the vaccine (Rook, Dheda et al. 2006). Due to the varying efficacy of BCG and the inability of the vaccine to protect against adult pulmonary TB, it is vital that a new vaccine is available soon. A number of new vaccine candidates are in the pipeline being currently evaluated in clinical trials and the hope is at least one vaccine would complete phase III trials and be licensed by 2015 (Bioventures 2006).

1.2 - *M. tuberculosis*

1.2.1- *M. tuberculosis* - aetiological agent of TB

M. tuberculosis, the causative agent of TB, is a non-motile and acid-fast actinomycete (Russell 2001). The bacterium was discovered by Robert Koch in 1882. This bacterium is part of the *M. tuberculosis* complex which encompasses *M. tuberculosis*, *M. bovis*, BCG, *M. africanum*, *M. canettii* and *M. microti*, all of which share >99% identity at the nucleotide level. *M. tuberculosis* is an aerobic, facultative intracellular pathogen with a generation time of approximately 20

hours. This lengthy generation time contributes to the chronic nature of the disease, thus contributing to the extensive duration of treatment regime. These bacteria possess a unique cell wall rich in mycolic acids, lipoarabinomannan (LAM), arabinogalactan and phosphatidylinositol mannosides (PIM). The mycobacterial genome of CDC1551 (Fleischmann, Alland et al. 2002), *M. bovis* (Garnier, Eiglmeier et al. 2003) and H37Rv (Cole, Brosch et al. 1998), a commonly used laboratory strain of *M. tuberculosis* has been sequenced. The genome of H37Rv consists of approximately 4000 genes. Of these 4000 genes, 40% have a clearly defined function, 40% have been shown to belong to previously identified classes of genes and 20% are completely unknown. Comparative genomic analysis of *M. bovis* BCG with H37Rv, has revealed 11 deletions from the genome of *M. bovis* BCG and the variation in physiology between these two strains may be attributed to the differences in gene expression.

1.22- Pathogenesis of tuberculosis

Approximately one-third of the world's population is infected with *M. tuberculosis*. Individuals who are infected have a 5-10% risk of developing the active form of the disease. Smoking and HIV infection can predispose an individual to acquiring infection, with overcrowding and poverty increasing the risk of exposure to *M. tuberculosis* (Cantwell, Mckenna et al. 1998; Lienhardt, Fielding et al. 2003).

The first stage of interaction between the host and bacteria is initiated after the inhalation of the bacilli via aerosol droplets, measuring 1-2 μ m, from infectious individuals. In the lung, bacteria are phagocytosed by alveolar macrophages and the generation of a localised inflammatory immune response results in the recruitment of immune cells to the sites of infection. Accumulation of immune cells at the foci of infection, results in the development of a granuloma, which limits the dissemination of the bacteria and localises the inflammation and damage to the lung tissue. Granulomas are composed of infected macrophages, surrounded by foamy giant cells with lymphocytes on the periphery of the structure (Co, Hogan et al. 2004).

The bacteria are contained within these granulomas and the host no longer transmits the infection. Latent, viable bacteria can survive in granulomas for very long periods of time. An alternative possibility is that the bacteria can multiply leading to the development of active TB shortly after infection and this is most likely to happen in with a compromised immune system.

Latency is a hallmark of *M. tuberculosis* infection and re-activation can occur due to a number of reasons such as alcohol abuse and corticosteroid therapy (Flynn and Chan 2001). Under reactivation circumstances, the granuloma becomes caseous and these reactivating granulomas are sites of enhanced bacterial replication. This reactivation leads to clinical symptoms and thus the formation of secondary TB. The different outcomes of the infection reflect the fine balance between the pathogen and host immune responses and any shift in the balance in favour of bacterial replication can lead to reactivation of the disease (Kaufmann 2001; Russell 2001).

1.2.3 - Interplay between host and pathogen

M. tuberculosis is an old foe of man and as a pathogen is highly adapted for survival within an immunocompetent host. Following infection with *M. tuberculosis* there are four potential outcomes:

- Initial response is completely effective and thus bacilli are eliminated
- Mycobacteria can grow and multiply thus causing primary clinical disease (active TB)
- Bacteria become dormant in granulomas leading to latent TB infection
- Latent bacilli reactivate as a failure of immune surveillance thus leading to reactivation TB

Only 10% of infected individuals progress to develop active TB, with a significant proportion of the remaining infected individuals harbouring latent bacilli which pose a reactivation threat in the future. The immune response to *M. tuberculosis* is composed of the early innate immune response, during which bacteria are taken up by phagocytic cells resulting in the production of inflammatory cytokines and induction of antimycobacterial mechanisms by

macrophages. This is followed by a late response in which *M. tuberculosis* specific T cells are activated leading to the priming of a cell mediated immune response accompanied by the production of effector cytokines including IFN- γ . In the final stages of infection, mycobacteria are contained within granulomas thus preventing dissemination of bacteria (latent phase).

1.2.4- Interaction between macrophages and *M. tuberculosis*

Macrophages are considered the primary host cells for mycobacteria. Inhaled mycobacteria within small droplets are phagocytosed by alveolar macrophages where they are confronted by an array of anti-mycobacterial mechanisms. Failure to kill mycobacteria, results in survival of bacteria within macrophages, leading to the establishment of a latent infection. A number of macrophage receptors are involved in the uptake of mycobacteria. Complement receptors CR1, CR3 and CR4 take up opsonised bacteria; monoclonal antibodies against CR3, markedly reduced phagocytosis of *M. tuberculosis* by monocytes thus, showing the relative importance of this phagocytic receptor in taking up mycobacteria (Schlesinger, Bellinger-Kawahara et al. 1990).

The macrophage mannose receptor aids in the uptake of non-opsonised bacteria. This receptor recognises the mannose-capped LAM (manLAM) present on virulent strains of mycobacteria. Other receptors including CD14, macrophage receptor with collagenous structure and fragment crystallisable gamma receptor (Fc γ) receptors, have all been shown to have roles in the phagocytosis of mycobacteria (Ernst 1998). The selective use of receptors by different strains of mycobacteria may hold clues to the different signalling pathways induced, thus influencing the survival of the bacteria within this host cell.

1.2.5- Antimycobacterial mechanisms of the macrophage

Macrophages are considered to be the main effector cells involved in the killing of mycobacteria. Macrophages when activated by interferon- γ (IFN- γ) and tumor necrosis factor- α (TNF- α) can exert various microbicidal mechanisms. Of importance, are the induction of reactive nitrogen intermediates (RNI) and

formation of reactive oxygen intermediates (ROI). Hydrogen peroxide is one of the key effector molecules generated as part of the ROI pathway alongside superoxide anions. ROI effectors cause lipid peroxidation, cell membrane, DNA and protein damage. But the role of ROI in killing mycobacteria is controversial, when the data is restricted to human studies, which show that patients with chronic granulomatous disease, who have a defective ROI mechanism, show no increased susceptibility to TB (Winkelstein, Marino et al. 2000). In contrast, a role for ROI in killing mycobacteria is demonstrated by the increased susceptibility of mice to mycobacterial infections, when deficient in the p47 subunit of nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate (NADPH) oxidase needed for superoxide production (Cooper, Segal et al. 2000) .

The production of increased nitric oxide (NO) is another anti-mycobacterial mechanism employed by an activated macrophage. Activation of macrophages by IFN- γ and TNF- α generates NO and related RNIs which are generated during the conversion of L-arginine to citrulline by inducible nitric-oxide synthase (iNOS). Murine macrophages have been previously shown to produce RNI in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, which subsequently induced killing of mycobacteria (Chan, Xing et al. 1992). RNI has been shown to contribute to the protective immune responses during acute and chronic stages of infection (MacMicking, North et al. 1997). The role of iNOS in murine infections is fairly well documented but its role in human host defence remains unresolved. *In vitro*, human alveolar macrophages infected with *M. bovis* BCG up regulate iNOS mRNA and the use of iNOS inhibitors resulted in increased bacterial outgrowth (Nozaki, Hasegawa et al. 1997). In contrast, studies have also shown that in murine but not human macrophages the anti-mycobacterial activity is mediated principally by NO (Liu, Stenger et al. 2006). Thus, further work needs to be carried out to elucidate the importance of iNOS in human TB.

Non-oxidative mechanisms are also employed by activated macrophages in order to kill mycobacteria; for example, the induction of autophagy in activated macrophages resulted in the delivery of the bacteria into lysosomes and thus led to the killing of the bacteria by acid hydrolases (Gutierrez, Master et al. 2004; Alonso, Pethe et al. 2007).

1.2.6- Immune evasion mechanisms employed by *M. tuberculosis*

M. tuberculosis is able to survive within macrophages even though a range of effector mechanisms exist in these host cells to control the growth of invading bacteria. Normally, during the process of phagocytosis, microorganisms are taken up into phagocytic vacuoles which eventually fuse with lysosomes resulting in the formation of a phagolysosome. The phagolysosome environment is highly acidic and phagocytosed microbes are degraded by acid hydrolases. This event represents an integral part of the antimicrobial mechanism of phagocytes. However, *M. tuberculosis* employs various mechanisms to survive in the phagosome such as the modification of the phagosome it resides in by exclusion of vesicular H⁺ ATPases (Crowle, Dahl et al. 1991; Koszycki-Sturgill, Schlesinger et al. 1994). The exclusion of H⁺ ATPases from phagosomes containing live mycobacteria leads to the incomplete acidification of the phagosome, thus allowing the bacteria to survive. It has been additionally shown that, mycobacteria inhibit the formation of the phagolysosome, thus avoiding enzymatic degradation (Armstrong and Hart 1971). The block in maturation of mycobacterial phagosome occurs between the small GTP-binding proteins, Rab5 (early endocytic) and Rab7 (late endocytic), which directs trafficking in eukaryotic cells.

However, during *M. tuberculosis* infection, following the phagocytosis of the bacteria by macrophages, the bacilli are retained within phagocytic vacuoles which tend to be at a pH of 6.2-6.3 (Sturgill-Koszycki, Schlesinger et al. 1994). These vacuoles are not completely isolated from the rest of the host cell as they have been shown to contain lysosomal-associated membrane protein-1, major histocompatibility 2, class II antigen (MHC-II) and transferrin receptor, and are thus able to access transferrin internalised at the cell surface (Russell 2001). Consequently, these vacuoles fail to fuse with lysosomes but they remain fusion competent (Clemens and Horwitz 1996). Thus, mycobacteria-containing vesicles are highly dynamic and fuse with early endosomes although these vesicles do not fuse with lysosomes.

The retention of the host cell protein tryptophan aspartate rich coat proteins (TACO), on phagosomes, has been proposed as a possible reason for the failure of mycobacterial phagosomes to fuse with lysosomes. The association of

TACO to phagosomal membrane is by means of cholesterol rich domains which may provide a docking site for the mycobacteria to gain entry into phagosomes (Ferrari, Langen et al. 1999).

Mycobacterial components LAM and PIM have been shown to intercalate into endosome membranes and traffic within mycobacteria-infected cells (Beatty, Rhoades et al. 2000). LAM has been demonstrated to inhibit phagosomal maturation and PIM stimulates fusion of early endosomes thus maintaining the early endosomal nature of the phagosome (Fratti, Chua et al. 2003). Additionally, it has been reported that the serine/threonine protein kinase G from pathogenic mycobacteria secreted into the macrophage phagosomes prevents phagosome-lysosome fusion (Walburger, Koul et al. 2004). Hence, the bacteria exploit their lipids to modulate host cell membrane and phagolysosome biogenesis processes.

Inhibiting antigen presentation is also known to contribute to the survival of *M. tuberculosis* within macrophages. Recent evidence suggests, that the 19kDa lipoprotein of *M. tuberculosis* inhibits IFN- γ mediated up-regulation of MHC-II molecules and this response seems to be dependent on toll-like receptor 2 (TLR 2) (Noss, Pai et al. 2001; Fulton, Reba et al. 2004). *M. tuberculosis* and the 19kDa lipoprotein have been shown to inhibit IFN- γ induced genes, which are involved in MHC-II antigen processing and presentation such as the class-II transactivator, which is involved in transcriptional regulation of MHC-II genes (Harton and Ting 2000; Pai, Pennini et al. 2004). It has also been reported that post-Golgi transit of nascent MHC-II molecules into the endocytic pathway for antigen loading was impaired in *M. tuberculosis* infected macrophages, thus resulting in intracellular sequestration of MHC-II molecules and a reduced expression of MHC-II on the surface (Hmama, Gabathuler et al. 1998).

Targeting specific receptors is another mechanism used by mycobacteria to evade immune surveillance mechanisms. Oponised mycobacteria taken up by Fc γ receptors are targeted to vacuoles which readily fuse with lysosomes and thus entry of mycobacteria through Fc γ receptors into the host cell can result in a distinct pattern of trafficking but this was found to have no adverse effect on the

growth rate of the bacteria (Armstrong and Hart 1975). The selective use of complement receptors CR1 and CR3 has been shown not to trigger the oxidative burst and additionally, it has been reported that binding of ManLAM on human macrophage mannose receptor leads to the inhibition phagosome-lysosome fusion, thus resulting in survival (Kang, Azad et al. 2005).

Mycobacteria are able to evade the toxic effects of ROI via the use of LAM and phenolic glycolipids which act as ROI scavengers (Chan, Fan et al. 1991) and mycobacterial sulphatides interfere with ROI dependent anti-mycobacterial mechanism of macrophages. *M. tuberculosis* additionally produces superoxide dismutase which catalyses the conversion of superoxide free radical to hydrogen peroxide and oxygen, thus enabling the bacteria to evade the oxidative burst in activated macrophages (Harth and Horwitz 1999).

Employing these immune evasion mechanisms enables *M. tuberculosis* to survive, replicate and avoid immunological detection in the host.

1.3- Dendritic cells- sentinels of the immune system

Macrophages are known to be the primary host cells for mycobacteria but dendritic cells have also been reported to be infected with mycobacteria (Henderson, Watkins et al. 1997; Bodnar, Serbina et al. 2001). Dendritic cells are bone marrow immune cells which populate lymphoid and non-lymphoid tissues of the body (Lipscomb and Masten 2002). They are referred to as “professional antigen presenting cells” and possess the unique capability of activating naïve T-cells. These cells are capable of integrating innate immune responses to initiate adaptive immunity in the host. Dendritic cells are a heterogeneous family of cells, which exist at different developmental and functional stages within the host:

- Proliferating dendritic cell progenitors arise from bone marrow stem cells and these precursor cells migrate to the tissues via the blood stream where they give rise to immature dendritic cells

- Immature dendritic cells serve as sentinels of the immune system where they take up antigens in the peripheral tissues that triggers their maturation and migration to secondary lymphoid tissues
- Mature dendritic cells function as antigen presenting cells in secondary lymphoid tissues

1.3.1 - Dendritic cell subsets

Multiple subsets of dendritic cells exist, all of which exhibit considerable plasticity and trigger diverse immune responses. Precursor dendritic cells from mouse bone marrow, cultured in the presence of granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF), give rise to the myeloid dendritic cell subset (CD11c⁺, CD11b⁺ B220⁻) but when cultured with Flt-3 ligand yields CD11c⁺, CD11b⁺, B220⁺ dendritic cells also commonly known as plasmacytoid dendritic cells (Shortman and Liu 2002). Plasmacytoid dendritic cells have the unique ability to produce large amounts of type I interferons (IFNs) and thus they are primarily involved in anti-viral immunity.

Dendritic cell subsets isolated from murine spleens can influence the type of T cell response generated (Table 1.1). The CD8α⁺, CD11c⁺, CD11b⁻ subset, prime principally naïve CD4⁺ T cells to generate a Th-1 type response but the CD8α⁻, CD11c⁺, CD11b⁺ subset prime naïve CD4 T cells to produce principally a Th-2 type response (Shortman and Liu 2002; Naik, Proietto et al. 2005). The different subsets can also regulate the amount of cytokines produced by T cells; the CD4⁻CD8⁺ dendritic cell subset induces less interleukin-2 (IL-2) and IFN-γ from CD8⁺ and CD4⁺ T cells than the CD4⁻CD8⁻ DC subset (Shortman and Liu 2002; Naik, Proietto et al. 2005). In a similar manner, plasmacytoid dendritic cells can induce a strong Th-1 type immune response in the presence of CpG but not lipopolysaccharide (LPS), whereas myeloid dendritic cells initiate a Th-1 type immune response when stimulated with LPS (Boonstra, Asselin-Paturel et al. 2003). It was additionally demonstrated that both subsets of dendritic cells initiated a Th-1 type immune response when exposed to high doses of antigen (ovalbumin) and in contrast, low doses of antigen induced a Th-2 type immune response (Boonstra, Asselin-Paturel et al. 2003). This set of experiments

demonstrated that the resulting T cell response is influenced by a combination of factors including subset of dendritic cell, type and dose of antigen and the nature of the stimulus.

Features	Lymphoid-organ-resident DC subsets			Migratory DC subsets		Monocyte derived
	<u>CD4⁺ DCs</u>	<u>CD8⁺ DCs</u>	<u>DN DCs</u>	<u>Interstitial DCs</u>	<u>Langerhans cells</u>	
Location						
Spleen	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Sites of inflammation
Surface markers						
CD11c	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++
CD4	+	-	-	-	-	-
CD8	-	++	-	-	-/+	-
CD205	-	++	-/+	+	+++	-/+
CD11b	++	-	++	++ [†]	++	++
Functional features in the steady state						
Maturity	Immature	Immature	Immature	Mature	Mature	N/A
Co-stimulatory	+	+	+	++	++	N/A
Antigen processing and presentation	+++	+++	+++	+/-	+/-	N/A
MHC class II	++	++	++	+++	+++	N/A
In vitro equivalent						
	Bone-marrow precursors plus FLT3L	Bone-marrow precursors plus FLT3L	Bone-marrow precursors plus FLT3L	Bone-marrow precursors plus GM-CSF, TNF and TGFβ	Bone-marrow precursors plus GM-CSF, TNF and TGFβ	Bone-marrow, spleen or blood precursors plus GM-CSF

Table 1.1- Murine dendritic cell subsets

Dendritic cells are a heterogeneous population of cells that are capable of processing and presenting antigens to T cells. The different subsets of dendritic cells differ in their location and immunological properties. Table modified from (Villadangos and Schnorrer 2007)

Several human dendritic cell subtypes have also been characterised. In the presence of GM-CSF and IL-4, monocytes differentiate into immature dendritic cells; characterised by low levels of CD86 and MHC-II (Sallusto and Lanzavecchia 1994) and these dendritic cells when stimulated with inflammatory products can mature, expressing increased levels of CD86 and MHC-II. A second sub-type of dendritic cell found in blood is the type I IFN producing plasmacytoid subset, which are characterised as being CD11c⁻CD45RA⁺CD123⁺ (Kadowaki and Liu 2002).

1.3.2—Immature dendritic cells

Immature dendritic cells are present in the periphery, where they can phagocytose microbes using an array of receptors, such as Fc γ Rs, complement receptors and toll-like receptors (TLRs). Immature dendritic cells have the ability to take up antigens via different mechanisms such as macropinocytosis, receptor mediated endocytosis (via mannose receptor and DEC 205) and phagocytosis (uptake of apoptotic/necrotic material through CD36 and α v β 5). Immature dendritic cells express low levels of surface MHC-II and co-stimulatory molecules CD80/CD86, thus they are not capable of functioning as efficient antigen presenting cells at this developmental stage (Banchereau, Briere et al. 2000).

1.3.3 – Dendritic cell maturation and migration

Following interaction with antigens, immature dendritic cells undergo a series of functional and phenotypic changes, which result in the transition from antigen capturing cell to antigen presenting cell. Activation of dendritic cells is linked with their migration to the lymphoid organs. Dendritic cell activation is initiated in the peripheral tissues and continues to completion during interaction with T-cells. In response to pathogen derived products like LPS from gram negative bacteria, dsRNA, inflammatory cytokines such as TNF α and IL-1, and T cell derived signals in the form of CD40-CD40L interaction, dendritic cells mature and migrate via the lymphatics to secondary lymphoid tissues (Banchereau and Steinman 1998; Banchereau, Briere et al. 2000). Extravasation of these cells from peripheral tissues to secondary lymphoid organs is mediated by chemokines

and their receptors. One of the key chemokine receptors, chemokine (C-C motif) receptor 7 (CCR7) is expressed on dendritic cells and plays an important role in promoting the migration of these cells to lymph nodes; CCR7 deficient mouse studies revealed a marked defect in migration of dendritic cells to the lymph nodes (Forster, Schubel et al. 1999). Migration of dendritic cells to the lymph nodes occurs via a chemotactic gradient of CCR7 ligands- CCL19 and CCL21. Mature dendritic cells down regulate expression of chemokine receptors such as CCR1, CCR5 and up-regulate the expression of CCR4 and CCR7, which aids the migration of dendritic cells to lymphoid organs (Banchereau, Briere et al. 2000).

1.3.4 Phagocytic receptors on dendritic cells

Phagocytosis can trigger an inflammatory response, which depends on the stimulus in question. Interaction between certain ligands and their receptors, during the process of phagocytosis, initiates the maturation of dendritic cells. Engagement of Fc receptors and mannose receptors, trigger an inflammatory immune cytokine response, resulting in the production of IL-1 β , TNF- α and IL-12 (van Crevel, Ottenhoff et al. 2002). C-type lectin receptors on dendritic cells are either type II transmembrane proteins with a single, carboxy terminal lectin domain or type I receptors with multiple lectin domains. Type I transmembrane receptors include the mannose receptor and DEC-205, and type II transmembrane receptors include DC-SIGN (dendritic cell-specific ICAM3-grabbing non-integrin) and dectin-2. The expression of these receptors varies with the developmental stage of the dendritic cell. Immature dendritic cells express abundant mannose receptors and DC-SIGN on the surface, the expression of which decreases on maturation (Kato, Neil et al. 2000). DC-SIGN first gained attention as a receptor that was capable of binding to the HIV-1 glycoprotein gp120. DC-SIGN interacts with intercellular adhesion molecule-2 (ICAM-2) on vascular endothelial cells mediating dendritic cell migration and interacts with ICAM-3 aiding in dendritic cell-T cell interaction. Antigens internalised by DC-SIGN are targeted to lysosomal compartments where antigens are processed and loaded via the MHC-II pathway (Engering, Geijtenbeek et al. 2002).

DC-SIGN as a c-type lectin shows specificity for the ligands it interacts with. DC-SIGN is able to bind dimeric and trimeric mannose residues in ManLAM but it does not recognise ManLAM from *M. avium*, as the ManLAM is capped with a single mannose residues (Maeda, Nigou et al. 2003). ManLAM is a unique component of cell walls from virulent mycobacteria (slow-growing bacteria) as opposed to AraLAM from avirulent mycobacteria (fast-growing bacteria). It has been reported that BCG induced dendritic cell maturation was inhibited by the binding of ManLAM to DC-SIGN on human dendritic cells (Geijtenbeek, van Vliet et al. 2003) and additionally, ManLAM binding to DC-SIGN triggers intracellular signalling pathways that lead to the increased production of anti-inflammatory cytokines such as IL-10. The binding of ManLAM to DC-SIGN results in the inhibition of TLR mediated IL-12 production by LPS matured dendritic cells (Geijtenbeek, van Vliet et al. 2003). Interaction between DC-SIGN and mycobacteria possibly is a route utilised by virulent mycobacteria, to undermine dendritic cell induced immune responses which might enhance survival of the pathogen.

Additional interactions can occur between receptors such as the mannose receptor and pathogen associated mannose structures on mycobacteria. A study in reference to the interaction of LAM and mannose receptor, has demonstrated that LAM is taken up by mannose receptors, which led to its transport to late endosomes for antigen presentation on CD1b molecules (Prigozy, Sieling et al. 1997). Mannose receptor recognises surface polysaccharides of gram positive bacteria, gram negative bacteria and parasites. On the surface of immature dendritic cells, this receptor functions to take up antigens and target them to early endosomes away from MHC-II compartments (Tan, Mommaas et al. 1997; Hawiger, Inaba et al. 2001). The low pH within endosomes results in the dissociation of the receptor and ligand and subsequently, the mannose receptor recycles back to the cell surface. Expression of the mannose receptor is down regulated by inflammatory cytokines and up regulated by anti-inflammatory cytokines such as IL-4 and IL-10 (Martinez-Pomares, Reid et al. 2003).

Dendritic cells also express FC γ Rs and FC ϵ Rs which mediate the presentation of antibody coated and immune complexes on both MHC-I and

MHC-II (Regnault, Lankar et al. 1999). It has been proposed that internalisation of ovalbumin immune complexes via Fc receptors can lead to the delivery of antigens to the cytosol via a pathway unique to dendritic cells. Antigens are trafficked to the cytosol directly from the lumen of the endosome and subsequently degraded by the proteasome and loaded on MHC-I molecules (Rodriguez, Regnault et al. 1999).

1.4- Activation of cellular signalling pathways

In addition, to the above mentioned family of receptors, dendritic cells express a family of pattern recognition receptors: TLRs. Toll was first identified as a gene required for dorsal-ventral patterning during embryonic development and subsequently, was also shown to play a key role in anti-fungal immunity (Lemaitre, Nicolas et al. 1996). A homologous family of genes was then discovered in mammals and was named TLRs. TLRs are type I membrane integral glycoproteins and to-date, there are 10 TLRs identified in humans and 13 in mice. TLRs 1, 2 and 4 are located on the cell surface and are recruited to the phagosome after activation and TLRs 3, 7 and 9 are localised on endosomal and lysosomal compartments.

The structurally conserved motifs recognised by TLRs usually have essential roles in the invading agents and thus are not subjected to high mutation rates. The various ligands recognised by TLRs include peptidoglycan and lipoteichoic acid from gram positive bacteria recognised by TLR 2 (Schwandner, Dziarski et al. 1999) and double stranded RNA from virus which is recognised by TLR 3 (Alexopoulou, Holt et al. 2001). Single stranded RNA is recognised by TLR 7 (Diebold, Kaisho et al. 2004), LPS from gram negative bacteria is the main ligand for TLR 4 (Politorak, He et al. 1998) and CpG motifs are recognised by TLR9 (Hemmi, Takeuchi et al. 2000).

1.4.1 Adaptors involved in TLR signalling pathways

In total 5 adaptors are known to mediate TLR signalling pathways and the utilisation of different combinations of adaptors lead to the distinct gene

expression patterns observed in response to TLR agonists. The myeloid differentiation primary response gene 88 (MyD88) was originally isolated as a gene, which was shown to play an important role during myeloid cell differentiation and was rapidly induced during the IL-6 stimulated differentiation of M1 myeloleukaemia cells into macrophages (Lord, Hoffman-Liebermann et al. 1990). MyD88 was shown as the adaptor molecule that functions to recruit interleukin-1 receptor-associated kinase (IRAK) to the IL-1 receptor complex following stimulation with IL-1 (Wesche, Henzel et al. 1997). In addition to MyD88 there are 4 other adaptors which are involved in TLR signalling: TIR domain containing adaptor inducing interferon beta (TRIF), TRIF-related adapter molecule (TRAM), MyD88 adapter like (MAL) and sterile α and armadillo motifs (SARM). MAL is essential for TLR 2 and TLR 4 signalling routes, serving as a link to recruit MyD88 (Yamamoto, Sato et al. 2002) and thus plays a role in the MyD88 dependent pathway of TLR4 signalling. TRIF is important in the TLR4 mediated MyD88 independent pathway and is also the adaptor used for initiation of signalling via TLR 3 (Yamamoto, Sato et al. 2003). TRAM is another TLR 4 pathway adaptor whose role includes induction of IL-6, TNF and CD86 (Yamamoto, Sato et al. 2003). Similar to TRIF, TRAM is also required for the late activation of NF κ B. SARM, in contrast to the other TLR adaptors, is a negative regulator of TLR signalling and its expression is specifically shown to block TRIF dependent gene activation.

1.4.2- MyD88 dependent and independent TLR signalling pathways

The cytoplasmic portion of TLRs exhibit a high degree of similarity to that of the IL-1 receptor family and is known as the Toll/IL-1 receptor (TIR) domain. Extracellular portions of the TLRs and IL-1 receptor are structurally unrelated, with TLRs possessing leucine rich repeats and the IL-1 receptor having immunoglobulin like domains. Binding of ligands to TLRs leads to its dimerisation and conformational change, which triggers its association with the adaptor MyD88. This in turn recruits IRAK-4, which subsequently associates itself with IRAK-1 (Barton and Medzhitov 2003). Binding of IRAK-4 to MyD88 induces the phosphorylation of IRAK-1. TNF receptor associated factor-6 (TRAF-

6), a signalling mediator adaptor protein is also recruited to the IRAK-1/4-MyD88 complex and associates itself with IRAK-1 (Figure 1.1).

Phosphorylated IRAK-1 and TRAF-6 then dissociate and form a complex with members of the mitogen activated protein kinase family (MAPK): TGF-activated kinase 1 (TAK-1), TAK-1 binding protein 1 (TAB-1) and TAB-2. This subsequently leads to the phosphorylation of TAB-2 and TAK-1. IRAK-1 is degraded and following this TRAF-6 forms a complex with the ubiquitin ligases, ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme 13 (UBC13) and ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme E2 variant 1 (UEV1A). Ubiquitylated TRAF-6 results in the activation of TAK-1 which phosphorylates both the MAPK and inhibitor of nuclear factor kappa-B kinase (IKK) complex (IKK- α , IKK- β and IKK- γ). Phosphorylation of inhibitor of kappa light polypeptide gene enhancer in B-cells (I κ B) by the IKK complex results in its degradation, which results in the translocation of nuclear factor kappa B (NF κ B) to the nucleus, thus resulting in the transcription of NF κ B dependent target genes (e.g. inflammatory cytokines), as illustrated in figure 1.1.

Recognition of microbial components through TLRs can result in signalling via the MyD88 dependent or independent pathways. The MyD88 dependent pathway involves the early phase activation of NF κ B and the MyD88 independent pathway leads to the late phase activation of NF κ B, with delayed kinetics compared to wild-type mice (Covert, Leung et al. 2005). Engagement of TLR3 and TLR4 is known to activate the MyD88 independent signalling pathway. As part of the MyD88 independent pathway, TANK binding kinase 1 (TBK-1) and IKK ϵ /IKK ι induces interferon regulatory-3 (IRF-3) phosphorylation thus leading to the activation of IRF-3. Activated IRF-3 translocates to the nucleus and initiates the cascade of events leading to type I IFN production (Figure 1.1).

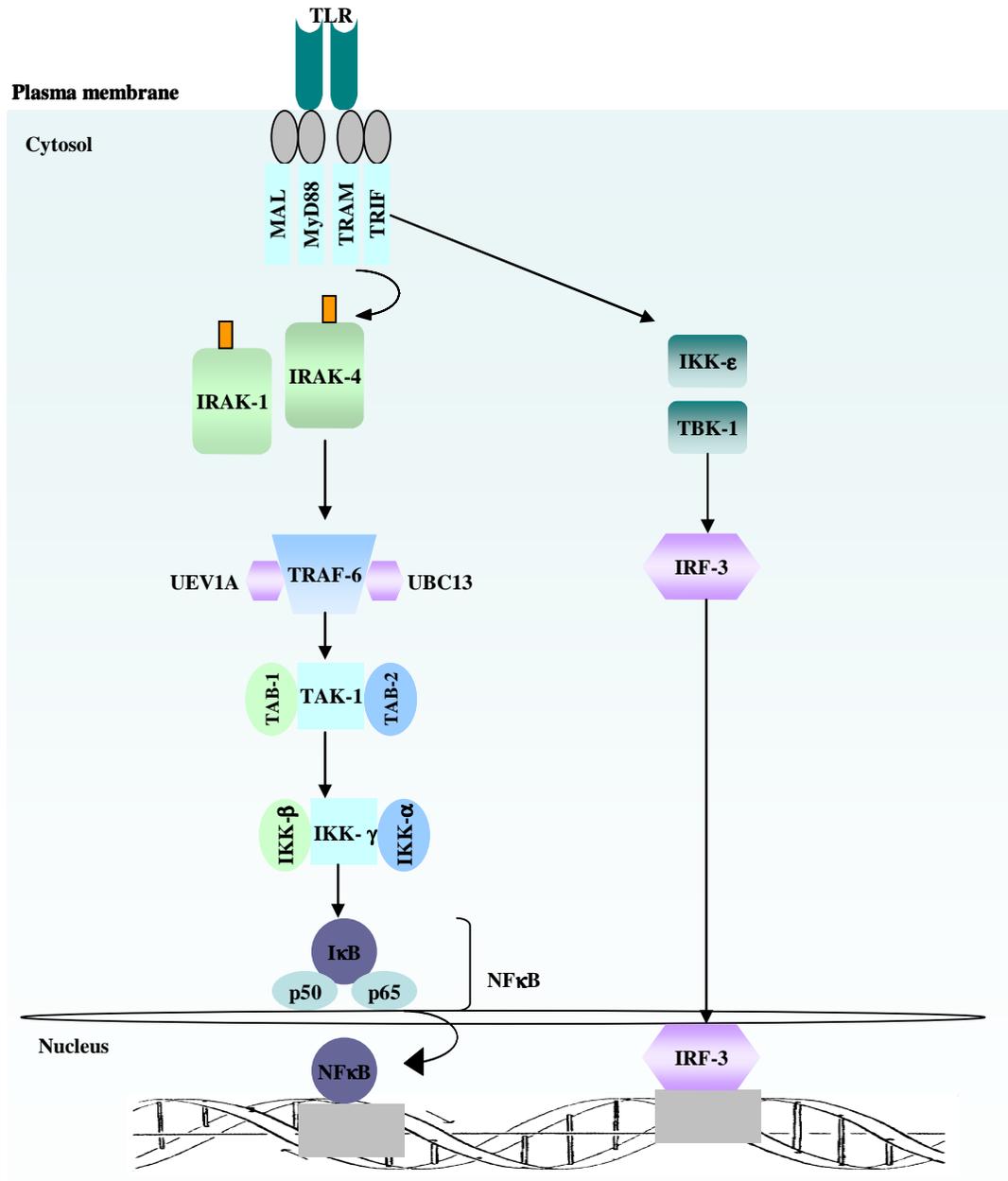


Figure 1.1- Overview of the TLR signalling pathways

TLRs are type I transmembrane receptors involved in innate immunity. Upon engagement of TLRs with microbial products, several signalling pathways are activated; this results in the activation of NFκB or IRF-3. Activation of NFκB via TLR signalling pathways represents an integral part of the host innate immune response.

1.4.3- Negative regulators of the TLR signalling pathway

A balance must be achieved between activation and inhibition of immune and inflammatory responses mediated by TLRs. This is important in preventing the induction of detrimental inflammatory responses in the host. Thus, the TLR signalling pathway is tightly regulated by various negative regulatory components such as, soluble decoy TLRs, which attenuate TLR function by blocking the interaction between the ligand and TLR, even though the finer details of the mechanism by which this is achieved still remains unclear (Iwami, Matsuguchi et al. 2000). Other negative regulators include MyD88s (short form of MyD88), IRAKM, suppressor of cytokine signalling 1 (SOCS 1), phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K), toll interacting protein (TOLLIP) and A20.

MyD88s has been shown to be induced in the THP-1, monocytic cell line in response to LPS stimulation and over expression of this regulator leads to the inhibition of LPS and IL-1 induced NF κ B activation (Janssens, Burns et al. 2002). Many immune cell receptors relay intracellular signals via PI3K, which results in a variety of biological effects including chemotaxis, growth, survival and cytokine synthesis (Katso, Okkenhaug et al. 2001). Mice deficient in PI3K (p85) show enhanced TLR signalling, which results in enhanced IL-12 production in dendritic cells in response to LPS, and a dominant Th-1 cell response (Fukao, Tanabe et al. 2002). A20 is a unique negative regulator that regulates both the MyD88 dependent and independent pathways by interacting with TRAF6 (Boone, Turer et al. 2004). Macrophages from A20 deficient mice produce elevated levels of pro-inflammatory cytokines in response to peptidoglycan, CpG and poly I:C (Boone, Turer et al. 2004).

The presence of negative regulators maintains a delicate balance between inflammatory and immune responses generated by the TLR signalling pathway.

1.4.4- Interaction between TLRs and microbes

TLRs maybe expressed as homodimers or heterodimers and function, as mentioned above, in recognising an array of microbial ligands. An overview of the three TLRs (TLR 2, TLR 4 and TLR 9), which are known to be key players in the recognition of mycobacterial components is addressed below.

TLR 2 is able to recognise a diverse range of microbial components which include lipoteichoic acid, lipoproteins from gram positive and gram negative bacteria and peptidoglycan. This unique ability to recognise various ligands can be attributed to its ability to form heterodimeric interactions with TLR 1 and TLR 6 (Ozinsky, Underhill et al. 2000). The different heterodimeric combinations enable recognition of different bacterial lipoproteins. TLR 2/TLR 6, along with CD36, facilitate the recognition of diacylated lipoproteins, in contrast, triacylated lipoproteins induce the activation of the immune system through interaction with TLR 1/TLR 2 dimers (Hoebe, Georgel et al. 2005). A role for TLR 2 during bacterial infections has been demonstrated in various studies. The enhanced growth of *Legionella pneumophila* in TLR 2^{-/-} macrophages, in conjunction with decreased production of IL-12p40 production, led to the proposal of a role for TLR 2 in mediating host resistance to *L. pneumophila* at early stages of the infection (Akamine, Higa et al. 2005). In another bacterial infection model, mice infected with *Streptococcus pneumoniae* had an increased level of TLR 2 mRNA in the brain, with TLR 2^{-/-} mice exhibiting an increased disease severity, accompanied by higher bacterial titres in both the cerebellar and blood (Koedel, Angele et al. 2003).

One of the most extensively studied TLRs is TLR 4, whose primary ligand is the hexacetylated form of the lipid A component of LPS. TLR 4 also requires co-receptors including CD14, (a glycosylphosphatidyl inositol anchored glycoprotein) and MD-2, to respond to LPS (Wright, Ramos et al. 1990). Murine models have provided evidence that TLR 4 is the receptor for LPS; C3H/HeJ mice has a point mutation in the TIR domain of TLR 4 and another strain of mice B10.ScCR lack the genomic region consisting of the TLR 4 gene; these two strains of mice have been shown to be hypo-responsive to LPS (Poltorak, He et al. 1998) . An important role for TLR 4 was demonstrated during *Candida albicans*

infection using TLR 4^{-/-} mice (Netea, Van Der Graaf et al. 2002). The increased fungal load in TLR 4^{-/-} mice was associated with impaired chemokine production (lower levels of CXCL1 and macrophage inhibitory protein-2) and reduced neutrophil recruitment to the sites of infection. Host defence against respiratory syncytial virus is impaired in TLR 4^{-/-} mice due to defective IL-12 release and natural killer cells (NK cell) trafficking and function in the lungs of these mice (Haynes, Moore et al. 2001). This observed defect in NK cells was proposed to be due to the reduced NFκB activation in the lungs of TLR 4^{-/-} mice (Haeberle, Takizawa et al. 2002).

TLR 9 was initially described as an endosomal receptor recognising unmethylated CpG motifs in bacterial DNA (Krieg, Yi et al. 1995). The fact that vertebrate DNA is likely to be methylated provides the discrimination needed for TLR 9 to identify self from foreign DNA. TLR 9^{-/-} macrophages were defective in their ability to produce inflammatory cytokines in response to CpG DNA and furthermore, dendritic cells failed to enhance the expression of co-stimulatory molecules thus indicating that TLR 9 played a crucial role in inducing cellular responses to CpG DNA (Hemmi, Takeuchi et al. 2000).

1.4.5- Role of TLRs in the immune response to mycobacteria

Studies in TLR knock out mice have demonstrated the importance of this family of receptors in mediating host resistance during *M. tuberculosis* infections. Mycobacterial ligands including LAM, lipomannan (LM) and the 19kDa lipoprotein (Brightbill, Libraty et al. 1999) are recognised by TLR 2 and TLR 4, and mycobacterial DNA is recognised by TLR 9 (Bafica, Scanga et al. 2005).

TLR 2^{-/-} and TLR 4^{-/-} mice displayed no increased susceptibility to low dose aerosol *M. tuberculosis* infections and survived for up to 200 days post-infection similar to wild-type mice (Reiling, Holscher et al. 2002). In response to a high dose aerosol challenge, TLR 2^{-/-} mice were found to be significantly more susceptible to *M. tuberculosis* infection than TLR 4^{-/-}. TLR 9^{-/-} mice were more susceptible to a high dose (500CFU/mouse) aerosol challenge succumbing to infection after about 70 days and in contrast, TLR 9^{-/-} mice infected with a low

aerosol dose showed no changes in pathology and had similar survival levels to wild-type mice. In addition, antigen presenting cells (splenic dendritic cells, bone marrow dendritic cells and macrophages) from TLR 9^{-/-} mice did not display any defects in TNF- α production *in vitro* (Bafica, Scanga et al. 2005). In general, TLR knockout studies have shown that, defects in a single TLR does not have a critical impact on the host resistance to *M. tuberculosis* infection at low dose of infection (Reiling, Holscher et al. 2002; Drennan, Nicolle et al. 2004).

The use of double TLR knockout mice has shown the importance of synergism between TLRs and the critical role of this synergism in mediating immune responses to *M. tuberculosis* (Drennan, Nicolle et al. 2004). TLR 2 and TLR 9 double knock out mice had significantly increased bacterial loads and a mean survival time of 120 days with a low dose of *M. tuberculosis*. In addition, these mice had widespread inflammation, focal necrosis and abundant acid fast bacilli in lung tissues (Bafica, Scanga et al. 2005). All synergistic responses of TLRs may not play an important role during mycobacterial infections. TLR 2/TLR 4^{-/-} double knock out mice were resistant to BCG infection, which was similar to wild-type mice (Nicolle, Fremont et al. 2004).

Human case studies have indicated a possible link between a TLR 2 polymorphism Arg753Gln (arginine to glutamine substitution at residue 753) and increased susceptibility to tuberculosis (Ogus, Yoldas et al. 2004) with a more recent study, suggesting a strong association between TLR 2 T597C polymorphism and the development of tuberculosis meningitis (Thuong, Hawn et al. 2007). The identification of TLR 2 polymorphisms highlights the role played by this receptor in tuberculosis disease.

The current literature provides evidence for the role of various TLRs in the host resistance to mycobacterial infections.

1.5- Type I IFNs

Signalling via the TLR mediated, MyD88 independent pathway, can lead to the induction of type I IFNs. IFNs were first described in 1957 by Isaacs and Lindemann and were described as proteins that interfere with viral replication (Isaacs A 1957). Interferons are divided into two main classes: type I interferons (IFN alpha and IFN beta) and type II interferon (IFN- γ). In addition, there are reports of another class of human, type I like interferons termed IFN λ 1 (IL-28A), IFN λ 2 (IL-28B) and IFN λ 3 (IL-29) (Sheppard, Kindsvogel et al. 2003).

Genes encoding type I IFNs are clustered on chromosome 9 in humans and on chromosome 4 in mice. IFN alpha and IFN beta are the main type I interferons that are synthesised during viral and bacterial infections thus making them interesting candidates for further study, from an immunological perspective.

The production of type I interferons is not restricted to a single cell type and it is plausible that a wide range of cells produce these cytokines in response to viral and bacterial infections. Type I IFNs can be produced by B-cells, monocytes, macrophages, myeloid and plasmacytoid dendritic cells. The amount of type I IFNs produced varies between cell types, where plasmacytoid dendritic cells tend to produce higher levels of type I IFNs in response to infection and are thus known as 'natural interferon producing cells' (Asselin-Paturel and Trinchieri 2005). Recently, a class of cells which are distinct from conventional dendritic cells and plasmacytoid dendritic cells were described as 'interferon producing killer dendritic cells'. These hybrid cells have molecular features of both natural killer cells (NK cells) and dendritic cells in particular the ability of these cells to produce high levels of type I IFNs upon activation (Chan, Crafton et al. 2006). Thus, it is well established that a range of cells possess the capacity to produce type I IFNs upon activation.

1.5.1- Type I IFN signalling pathway

Type I IFN signal transduction occurs through a ubiquitously expressed heterodimeric receptor– interferon (alpha and beta) receptor 1 (IFNAR), which is composed of two subunits IFNAR1 and IFNAR2 (Sen 2001). Binding of type I IFNs to their cognate receptor leads to the induction of transcriptional responses through the JAK-STAT signalling pathway. The JAK-STAT signalling pathway is a universal pathway utilised by all cytokines to induce cell type specific cytokine induced gene expression patterns. There are 4 mammalian janus kinases (JAKs) and 7 members of the signal transducers and activators of transcription (STAT) family identified to date (Darnell 1997; Stark, Kerr et al. 1998).

IFN alpha/beta binds to IFNAR, which leads to ligand induced receptor dimerization, resulting in phosphorylation of JAK-1 and tyrosine kinase 2 (Tyk2), two members of the Janus protein tyrosine kinase family. Phosphorylation and activation of JAK-1 and Tyk2, leads to the phosphorylation of IFNAR1, thus creating binding sites for STAT-2, as illustrated in figure 1.2. Subsequently, STAT-2 is phosphorylated and serves as a platform for recruitment and tyrosine phosphorylation of STAT-1. The STAT 1-STAT 2 heterodimer dissociates from the IFNAR and translocates to the nucleus resulting in the association of the heterodimer with IRF-9 to form a heterotrimeric complex known as interferon stimulated gene factor 3 (ISGF3) as shown in figure 1.2. This complex binds to the DNA sequence, interferon-stimulated response element (ISRE) which results in the initiation of transcription of the type I IFNs and IFN alpha/beta inducible genes. ISRE sequence is found in the promoters of several type I IFN inducible genes, the consensus sequence of which is 5'AANNGAAA 3' where N denotes any nucleotide (Tailor, Tamura et al. 2006).

The production of type I interferons is primarily regulated at the transcriptional level. IFN beta promoter consists of four positive regulatory domains [PRD I, II, III and IV] and these regulatory cis elements provide binding sites for specific transcription factors. PRD I and III are binding sites for IRFs, NFκB binds to PRDII and activating protein-1 (AP-1) docks onto PRD IV (Honda, Yanai et al. 2005) . The binding of these transcription factors results in

the recruitment of transcriptional machinery and chromatin modifiers which results in the induction of IFN beta.

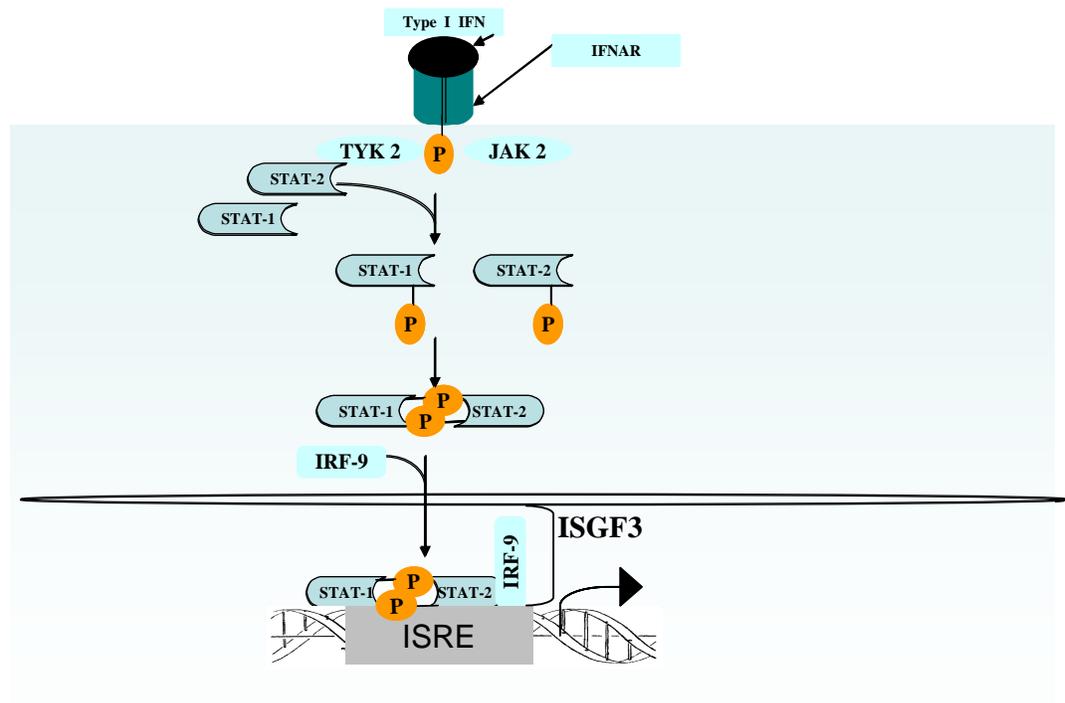


Figure 1.2- Type I IFN signal transduction pathway

The binding of type I IFNs to the IFNAR receptor, triggers the activation of the cardinal JAK-STAT signalling pathway, thus leading to the downstream activation of type I IFN inducible genes.

1.5.2- IRFs - transcriptional regulators of the type I IFN pathway

IRFs play an important role in the transcription of type I IFN inducible genes. The IRF family consists of 9 members: IRF 1-IRF 9. The two highly homologous proteins IRF-3 and IRF-7 are considered to be the key transcriptional proteins that play a role in the induction of the type I IFN pathway (Taniguchi, Ogasawara et al. 2001). IRF-3 is constitutively expressed in the cytoplasm of all cell types and in response to stimulation, is post-translationally modified by phosphorylation at serine residues, which results in the translocation of the protein from the cytosol into the nucleus. Phosphorylation of IRF-3 is by one of the two I κ B kinases- TBK1 and IKK-i. Upon entry into the nucleus, IRF-3 associates with CREB binding protein (CBP)/p300, NF κ B and AP-1. The resulting complex binds to the promoter of type I IFN genes thus inducing their expression (Taniguchi, Ogasawara et al. 2001) . IRF-7 also plays a pivotal role in the type I IFN gene induction. IRF-7 unlike IRF-3, is absent from most cells or expressed at very low levels constitutively. In response to viral infection, IRF-7 is phosphorylated and activated by the kinases TBK1, I κ B or IRAK-1 at serine/threonine residues. Phosphorylated IRF-7 undergoes nuclear translocation and binds to PRD I and PRD III elements in the promoter of the type I genes. Most cells utilise an amplification loop in order to increase the available amount of IRF-7 thus increasing the production of IFN alpha and IFN beta (Taylor, Tamura et al. 2006).

1.5.3- Type I interferons and their role in host defence

The activation stimuli for the production of type I IFNs can be in the form of viral infections and as shown more recently in the last few years, bacterial components such as LPS and bacterial DNA (unmethylated CpG motifs in bacterial DNA). The induction of host antiviral immunity utilises either the TLR signalling pathway or the retinoic acid-inducible gene I - mitochondrial antiviral protein signalling pathway which functions to recognise cytosolic double stranded RNA to induce the production of type I IFNs (Creagh and O'Neill 2006).

Induction of type I IFNs leads to the assembly of antiviral proteins like 2'-5'-oligoadenylate synthetase (OAS), a dsRNA dependent synthetase that activates endoribonuclease RNase L to degrade ssRNA and myxovirus (influenza virus)

resistance (Mx) proteins, which bind to viral proteins thus inhibiting their replication (Stark, Kerr et al. 1998). Mx proteins have been shown to bind to the nucleocapsid proteins of bunyaviruses and causes re-distribution of the viral nucleocapsid, thus inhibiting the replication of these viruses (Kochs, Janzen et al. 2002). Type I IFNs contribute to immune responses against *Leishmania major* by inducing the expression of iNOS during the innate phase of the immune response (Diefenbach, Schindler et al. 1998) and additionally it has been demonstrated, that application of low doses of IFN beta protects mice from progressive cutaneous leishmaniasis (Mattner, Wandersee-Steinhauser et al. 2004). In contrast, during infection with *Listeria monocytogenes*, elevated levels of type I IFN production are accompanied by increased levels of apoptosis in the spleens of infected mice thus leading to enhanced susceptibility to infection (O'Connell, Saha et al. 2004). Other studies with extracellular bacteria which include *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, encapsulated *E. coli* and group B streptococci demonstrated that in the absence of type I IFN signalling there was a defect in the production of TNF- α and IFN- γ , which contributed to the impaired responses to these bacteria (Mancuso, Midiri et al. 2007). Furthermore, it has been reported that interferon (alpha and beta) receptor knock out mice exhibited a delay in controlling BCG growth and this defect in controlling early growth is thought to be attributed to the defect in nitric oxide production (Kuchtey, Fulton et al. 2006).

Thus, type I IFNs have shown to have important roles in both viral and bacterial infections. Both protective and detrimental effects of type I IFNs have been observed, depending on the microbial pathogen.

1.5.4- Immunomodulatory effects of type I IFNs

Type I IFNs can have both immunostimulatory and immunosuppressive effects which forms the basis for their role during various microbial infections.

Type I IFNs can induce the production of IL-15 which plays a role in the proliferation and maintenance of NK cells and memory CD8⁺T cells (Nguyen, Salazar-Mather et al. 2002). Similarly, type I IFNs are known to play a role in the differentiation and function of effector CD8⁺T cells; this was demonstrated in a model of lymphocytic choriomeningitis virus infection, where CD8⁺T cells from interferon (alpha and beta) receptor knockout mice, displayed impaired ability to differentiate and expand into functional effector CD8⁺T cells (Kolumam, Thomas et al. 2005). It has also been demonstrated that, IFN alpha/beta can induce the maturation of dendritic cells and furthermore, endogenously expressed type I IFNs by dendritic cells can act in an autocrine manner to activate more type I IFN production (Gallucci, Lolkema et al. 1999; Montoya, Schiavoni et al. 2002).

Low level constitutive expression of IFN alpha/beta has been reported to be critical for IFN- γ mediated signalling, as the IFNAR1 provides a docking site for STAT-1, which is a crucial component of the IFN- γ signalling pathway (Takaoka, Mitani et al. 2000). The production of very high physiologically relevant amounts of type I IFNs can have a negative effect on the production of IL-12; a decrease in IL-12 production occurs due to the specific inhibition of the transcription of the IL-12p40 gene (Adriana A. Byrnes 2001). Thus the amount of type I IFN produced is crucial, with very high levels negatively regulating IL-12 production.

1.5.5- Clinical applications of type I interferons

IFN alpha has been approved for the treatment of viral infections such as chronic hepatitis B and hepatitis C. Additionally, IFN beta has also been approved for treatment of relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis, the mechanism by which it works is still not clear (Wingerchuk and Noseworthy 2002).

Thus in general, type I interferons represent a family of cytokines which elicit multifaceted responses in the host and have important roles in both innate and adaptive immune responses in the host.

1.6- Principal cytokines modulating the immune response to *M. tuberculosis*

The modulation of the immune response to pathogens is critically dependent on the production of cytokines. Dendritic cell maturation, in addition to the altered expression of chemokine receptors, is also characterised by the production of pro-inflammatory cytokines. Recognition of microbial patterns via TLRs leads to signalling via the NF κ B pathway resulting in the production of inflammatory cytokines.

1.6.1-IL-12

The IL-12 family of cytokines is composed of IL-12p40, IL-12p70 and IL-23. IL-12p40 can be secreted as a monomer or as a dimer. IL-12p40 is always produced in excess, at much higher levels compared to the other IL-12 family members, which is partially attributed to the fact that it forms part of the bioactive complex of IL-12p70 and IL-23.

The role of IL-12 as part of the immune response is wide and varied. It has been reported that IL-12p40 is an important promoter of dendritic cell migration from the lung to the draining lymph nodes during *M. tuberculosis* infection, as this migratory process was impaired in IL-12p40^{-/-} mice (Khader, Partida-Sanchez et al. 2006). The reduced ability of IL-12p40^{-/-} dendritic cells to migrate, may be partly linked to the fact that these dendritic cells also produce increased levels of IL-10 compared to the wild-type mice. IL-10 specifically inhibits migration of dendritic cells by preventing the downregulation of CCR1, CCR2 and CCR5, and up regulation of CCR7 (D'Amico, Frascaroli et al. 2000). IL-12p40 deficiency also results in the reduced ability of IL-12p40^{-/-} dendritic cells to activate naïve T cells, thus linking the chemokine responsiveness and IL-12p40 production by dendritic cells.

IL-12p70, the bioactive IL-12 molecule, plays a key role in the priming of CD4⁺T cells (Flynn, Goldstein et al. 1995; Holscher, Atkinson et al. 2001; Cooper, Kipnis et al. 2002). Lack of IL-12p35 has a less critical effect on the host, compared with IL-12p40 deficiency during *M. tuberculosis* infection, possibly

reinforcing the importance of the IL-12p40 subunit and suggesting IL-12p40 activity independent of IL-12p35 (Holscher, Atkinson et al. 2001; Cooper, Kipnis et al. 2002). IL-12p35^{-/-} mice were less susceptible to BCG and H37Rv infection compared to IL-12p35^{-/-}p40^{-/-} mice. Furthermore, IL-12p35^{-/-} mice were able to mount antigen specific Th-1 responses and granuloma formation was normal in these mice. In addition, gene polymorphisms in the IL-12B gene have been linked to the increased susceptibility in humans (Tso, Lau et al. 2004).

1.6.2-IL-6

IL-6 is thought to play a role in controlling *M. tuberculosis* infection during the initial stages. In a low dose aerosol model of infection, IL-6^{-/-} mice had increased bacterial burden in the lungs, at early time points post-infection. The bacterial counts stabilised at later time points post-infection, which coincided with the induction of the acquired immune response (Saunders, Frank et al. 2000).

1.6.3-TNF- α

TNF- α contributes to the immunity and the pathology of TB infections. *M. tuberculosis* induces the production of TNF- α by macrophages and dendritic cells and this cytokine plays a key role in the acute stage of *M. tuberculosis* infection (Henderson, Watkins et al. 1997). This role has been highlighted in TNF- α deficient mice, which exhibited increased mortality and extensive necrosis in the lungs, with defects in granuloma formation and overall higher bacterial burdens compared to control mice (Flynn, Goldstein et al. 1995; Roach, Bean et al. 2002).

TNF- α as part of the innate immune response has roles as the mediator of macrophage activator and in synergy with IFN- γ stimulates inducible nitric oxide synthase expression (Chan, Xing et al. 1992). Additional studies in TNF- α ^{-/-} mice have demonstrated that this cytokine plays a role in the early induction of chemokines (CCL2, CCL3, CCL4, CCL5 and CCL8) and initial recruitment of leukocytes like macrophages, which are essential for the production of RNI to clear the bacterial infection.

Anti-TNF antibody therapy is commonly used in rheumatoid arthritis and Crohn's disease but the use of such therapy has been presented with problems of reactivation of latent TB infections. It has been proposed that TNF blockers could compromise the integrity of the granuloma, thus contributing to the reactivation of the latent bacilli (Keane 2005). The cytokine TNF- α can be considered as a double edged sword, where on one side it has constructive roles in the formation and maintenance of granulomas but in addition, contributes to increased lung pathology and necrosis (Bekker, Moreira et al. 2000).

1.6.4- IL-10

IL-10 is principally an anti-inflammatory cytokine that is produced by T cells, dendritic cells and macrophages during *M. tuberculosis* infection. The engagement of TLR 2, TLR 7, TLR 9 and DC-SIGN induces the production of IL-10 by dendritic cells (Geijtenbeek, van Vliet et al. 2003; Samarasinghe, Taylor et al. 2006). IL-10 inhibits production of cytokines and chemokines from macrophages *in vitro* (Moore, O'Garra et al. 1993). Importantly, IL-12 production is modulated by IL-10 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Additionally, it has been shown that IL-10 production can interfere with dendritic cell trafficking thus reducing their migration to the draining lymph nodes (Demangel, Bertolino et al. 2002). Most of the inhibitory properties of IL-10 are dependent on STAT-3 pathways and are specific to a defined set of genes, as approximately 40% of LPS induced genes remained unchanged in response to IL-10 in a microarray profiling study (Lang, Patel et al. 2002). The interference of IL-10 in the host defence against mycobacteria was demonstrated in a mouse model of infection, which showed that IL-10 transgenic mice (constitutively expressing IL-10) were unable to clear BCG infection and thus developed higher bacterial burdens. In contrast, the absence of IL-10 had no effect on the course of *M. tuberculosis* infection (Murray, Wang et al. 1997; North 1998). It is postulated that IL-10 plays an important role during the chronic stage of infection, promoting reactivation of the disease (Turner, Gonzalez-Juarrero et al. 2002).

1.6.5-IL-4

IL-4 is a Th-2 cytokine, playing an important role in directing development of Th-2 cells. Contrasting observations have been reported with regard to the role of IL-4 during *M. tuberculosis* infection. It has been demonstrated that IL-4 expression is increased in patients with TB, with a possibility that these higher IL-4 levels are found in patients closer to the equator, as a consequence of simultaneous infection with helminths (Schauf, Rom et al. 1993; Sanchez, Rodriguez et al. 1994; Malhotra, Mungai et al. 1999). In murine models of infection, the detection of IL-4 coincides with the appearance of pneumonia and necrosis, leading to increased mortality. But, in the absence of IL-4 (disrupted IL-4 gene) in mice, there is no effect on the course of TB infection (North 1998). It has also been shown that IL-4 can down regulate the expression of iNOS, thus down regulating macrophage mediated anti-mycobacterial immunity (Bogdan, Vodovotz et al. 1994). Hence the precise roles of IL-4 during *M. tuberculosis* infection still remain to be elucidated.

1.6.6-IFN- γ

The type II interferon- IFN- γ has a critical role in mediating the host resistance to *M. tuberculosis* infection. The binding of IFN- γ triggers the rearrangement and dimerisation of the interferon gamma receptor (IFNGR) subunits and autophosphorylation of the associated JAKs. JAK1 and JAK2 regulate the phosphorylation of STAT-1, thus resulting in the formation of STAT 1-STAT 1 homodimers (Stark, Kerr et al. 1998). The homodimer of STAT-1 translocates to the nucleus and binds to the IFN- γ activated sequence (GAS) elements, to initiate transcription as illustrated in figure 1.3 (Stark, Kerr et al. 1998).

In the absence of IFN- γ , there is defective macrophage activation and thus reduced expression of inducible nitric oxide synthase. A role for IFN- γ in the expression of MHC-II has also been suggested, with peritoneal macrophages from IFN- γ receptor^{-/-} mice having lower levels of MHC-II in response to BCG

infection (Kamijo, Shapiro et al. 1993). IFN- γ is produced mainly by T-cells and NK cells (Orme, Roberts et al. 1993; Lalvani, Brookes et al. 1998).

IFN- γ receptor knock out mice are highly susceptible to *M. tuberculosis* infection. These mice display increased bacterial burdens, with a mean survival time of approximately 20 days and although granulomas form, they tend to be necrotic. Furthermore, IFN- γ receptor knock out mice fail to produce RNIs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, contributing to the failure to control *M. tuberculosis* infection (Flynn, Chan et al. 1993). IFN- γ receptor knock out mice are also susceptible to infection with *Legionella pneumophila* and *Toxoplasma gondii*, where IFN- γ was shown to contribute to the activation of macrophages, with a reduction in TNF- α , iNOS and IL-1 β in the livers of these knock out mice (Deckert-Schluter, Rang et al. 1996). The importance of this cytokine has also been demonstrated in humans with defective genes for IFN- γ , as these individuals are prone to suffer from mycobacterial infections (Ottenhoff, Kumararatne et al. 1998). Patients possessing a mutation in the IFNGR1 gene at nucleotide position 395, introduced a stop codon, leading to the formation of a truncated protein and these individuals were found to be more susceptible to mycobacterial infections (Newport, Huxley et al. 1996). In addition null, recessive IFNGR2 mutation has also been postulated to contribute to severe mycobacterial infection (Altare, Jouanguy et al. 1998). Thus IFN- γ is a critical cytokine mediating macrophage based anti-mycobacterial responses.

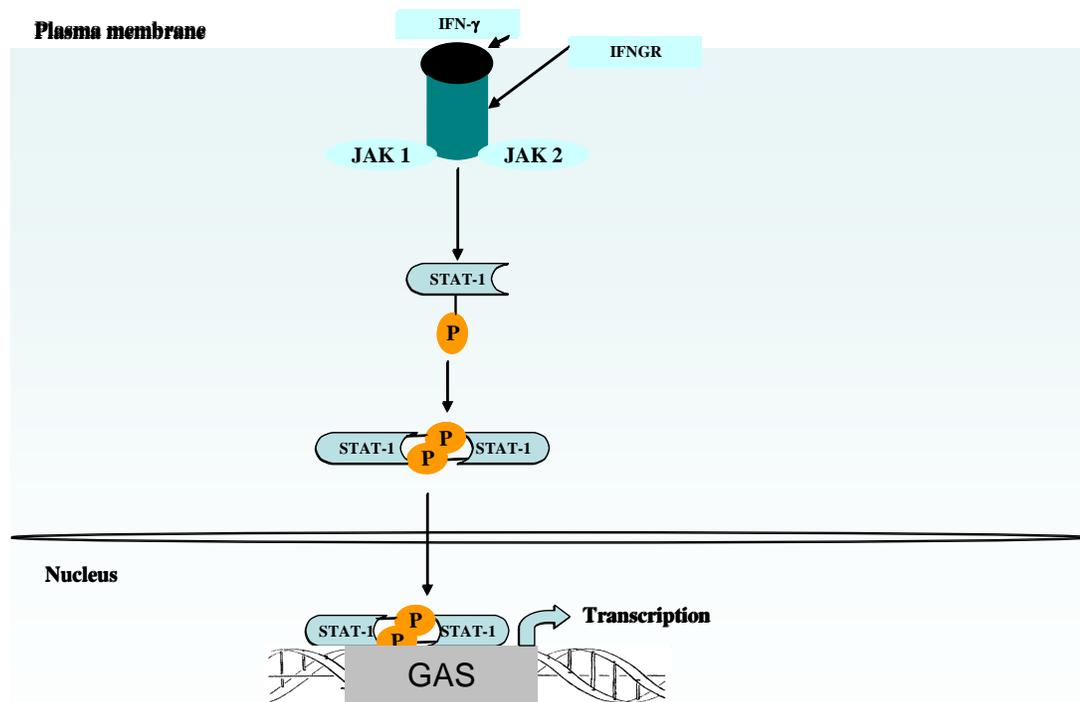


Figure 1.3 – The Type II IFN signalling pathway

The binding of IFN- γ to the IFNGR receptor triggers the activation of the STAT phosphorylation and formation of STAT homodimers, which translocate to the nucleus and initiates transcription of type II IFN inducible genes.

1.6.7- IL-18 and IL-15

Other cytokines such as IL-18 and IL-15 have also been implicated in the host response to *M. tuberculosis*. IL-18 is an IFN- γ inducing factor and augments Th-1 type immune responses induced by IL-12. In response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, IL-18^{-/-} mice exhibited a decrease in IFN- γ synthesis, which was partially attributed to the defect in IL-12 production in these mice. Thus this cytokine is thought to contribute to the induction of Th-1 type immune response against *M. tuberculosis* infection (Kinjo, Kawakami et al. 2002).

IL-15 has many biological roles including stimulating proliferation of memory CD8⁺ T cells (Zhang, Sun et al. 1998) and promoting optimal dendritic cell activation thus influencing antigen presentation functions (Mattei, Schiavoni et al. 2001). In addition, IFN alpha/beta is capable of inducing IL-15 via a STAT-1 mediated mechanism which contributes to the accumulation of NK cells. IL-15 transgenic mice (overexpressing IL-15 under the control of a MHC-I promoter), increased the efficacy of BCG vaccination with memory CD8⁺ T cells being maintained for a prolonged period of time after BCG vaccination. Hence a role for IL-15 in the maintenance of memory CD8⁺T cells was proposed (Umemura, Nishimura et al. 2003). In addition, it has been reported that IL-15^{-/-} mice in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection recruit CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells to the lungs but the recruitment of these cells is delayed, although the induction of cytotoxic CD8⁺ T cell responses was normal after the primary infection with *M. tuberculosis*. It was thus proposed that IL-15 plays a role in the recall T cell responses during *M. tuberculosis* infection (Lazarevic, Yankura et al. 2005).

1.7- Antigen presentation and T cell stimulation

Analysis of entire kinetic sets of data has revealed that dendritic cells undergo extensive re-organisation of gene expression with dendritic cell maturation being almost complete 24 hours after activation (Granucci, Vizzardelli et al. 2001). In addition to cytokine production, mature dendritic cells down-regulate mechanisms of antigen capture and express high levels of long-lived surface MHC-II and co-stimulatory molecules making them potent T cell

stimulators (Banchereau, Briere et al. 2000). Dendritic cells can process and present antigens in the context of both MHC-I and MHC-II molecules to CD8⁺ and CD4⁺ T cells respectively. T cell activation requires two signals: signal one involves the recognition of peptide–MHC complexes on the antigen presenting cell by antigen specific T-cell receptor, and signal two, involves the interaction of co-stimulatory molecules on the antigen presenting cell with their ligands on the T cell (Banchereau and Steinman 1998). Since dendritic cells express high levels of co-stimulatory and MHC molecules, they are equipped with the ability to provide both signals required for stimulation and amplification of T cell responses.

Other factors which can influence the T cell stimulatory capacity of dendritic cells include, the release of cytokines into the local environment and expression of high levels of adhesion molecules, which may facilitate clustering and TCR engagement (Cella, Sallusto et al. 1997). During dendritic cell-T cell interactions, dendritic cells enter their final maturation stage by receiving additional signals from T cells in the form of CD40-CD40L interactions (Cella, Scheidegger et al. 1996). Thus, mature dendritic cells possess increased T-cell stimulatory capacity and produce inflammatory cytokines which further modulate the outcome of the immune response.

1.7.1-T-cell subsets

M. tuberculosis infected antigen presenting cells present mycobacterial antigens on MHC-I, MHC-II and CD1 molecules to CD8⁺, CD4⁺, and CD1 restricted T cells respectively. However, immunity against *M. tuberculosis* is primarily mediated via a Th-1 response. CD4⁺ T cells are known to be important in generating protective immune responses in the host primarily by producing IFN- γ , a protective cytokine known to activate macrophages, thus leading to the control of the pathogen. Antibody mediated depletion of CD4⁺ T cells has demonstrated that these cells may be important in preventing reactivation of the infection (Scanga, Mohan et al. 2000). CD8⁺ T cells probably have two effector mechanisms which are important during a *M. tuberculosis* infection; the first is the production of IFN- γ similar to the CD4⁺T cell population and the second is the

lysing of target cells via granzyme/perforin and Fas/Fas L pathway (Flynn and Chan 2001; Kaufmann 2001). The CD1 restricted T cells are specific for mycobacterial lipids and can produce IFN- γ and exhibit cytolytic activity. In the mouse model of *M. tuberculosis* infection, there is an increase in the number of CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells in the draining lymph nodes, within the first week. Activated CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells migrate to the lungs, between 2-4 weeks post-infection and interact with antigen presenting cells at the site of infection. The granuloma also consists of CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells which, as part of the granuloma composition, encloses the bacteria and prevents reactivation (Feng, Bean et al. 1999; Serbina, Liu et al. 2000). An overview of the T cell responses during *M. tuberculosis* infection is illustrated in figure 1.4.

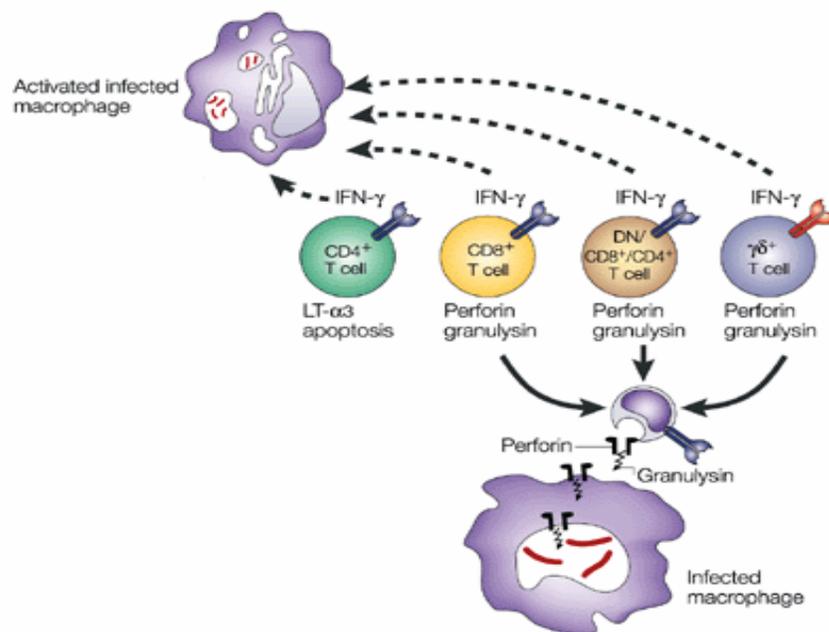


Figure 1.4- An overview of the T cell responses during *M. tuberculosis* infection

The immune response to *M. tuberculosis* is for the most part dependent on T cell responses which mainly activate macrophages by secreting cytokines or exhibit direct cytolytic activity. Figure modified from (Kaufmann 2001).

1.7.1.1-CD4⁺ T cells

Mycobacteria are phagocytosed and reside within phagosomes. Bacterial derived proteins from these intracellular vesicles in macrophages are not accessible to the proteasomes in the cytosol and MHC-I loading complex. But mycobacterial antigens are readily accessible to the MHC-II antigen processing and presentation complex, thus resulting in the presentation of antigens to CD4⁺ T cells. The importance of this subset of cells has been demonstrated by antibody depletion, adoptive transfer and the use of mouse strains deficient in CD4⁺ T cells or MHC-II (Caruso, Serbina et al. 1999; Scanga, Mohan et al. 2000). The increased susceptibility of patients to TB, during the course of HIV infection, further highlights the importance of this subset of T cells. IFN- γ production by these cells is proposed to play a major role during *M. tuberculosis* infection, which is supported by the work, which showed that CD4⁺ T cell-depleted and MHC-II^{-/-} mice exhibited approximately 50% reduced IFN- γ levels at 2 weeks post-infection but at later time points the level of IFN- γ was similar between the wild-type and knockout strains of mice (Scanga, Mohan et al. 2000). Thus it was demonstrated that CD4⁺ T cells are required early in infection for the production of IFN- γ .

In a model of latent TB, antibody mediated depletion of CD4⁺ T cells led to reactivation of a persistent infection although, the levels of IFN- γ and iNOS remained unaffected (Scanga, Mohan et al. 2000). This work showed an additional role for CD4⁺ T cells in the prevention of TB reactivation. This role has been further supported by work, which demonstrated that in the absence of this subset of T cells mice formed abnormal lesions, which were unable to control bacterial burden and prevent dissemination of the bacteria (Mogues, Goodrich et al. 2001; Saunders, Frank et al. 2002). One of the mechanisms utilised by *M. tuberculosis* to survive in the macrophages is by down regulating MHC-II expression on the surface (discussed in section 1.2.6). Hence, infected macrophages are defective in their ability to present antigens to CD4⁺ T cells and thus contribute to the inability of the host to eliminate persistent infection. Experimental evidence from human studies has also shown that CD4⁺ T cells can perform cytolytic functions in the lung. One possible mechanism is via the Fas-ligand-induced apoptosis of infected macrophages, thus reducing the viability of

intracellular bacteria (Tan, Canaday et al. 1997; Oddo, Renno et al. 1998). However, the primary function of CD4⁺ T cells during mycobacterial infection appears to be the production of IFN- γ which activates macrophages resulting in the induction of anti-mycobacterial killing mechanisms within the host.

1.7.1.2-CD8⁺ T cells

Cytosolic pathogen derived peptides are presented on MHC-I and recognised by CD8⁺ T cells. Although *M. tuberculosis* is not a cytosolic pathogen, it is widely recognised that CD8⁺ T cells are important in the host mediated immune response against this bacteria. A number of reports have provided evidence to support the importance of this subset of T cell in mediating the host immune response. Mice deficient in β 2-microglobulin (aids in the folding and assembly of MHC-I molecule), TAP (transports peptides from the cytosol into the lumen of endoplasmic reticulum for loading onto MHC-I) and perforin, display enhanced susceptibility to *M. tuberculosis* infection in comparison to wild-type mice (Flynn, Goldstein et al. 1992; Cooper, D'Souza et al. 1997; Behar, Dascher et al. 1999).

Previous work has also shown that CD8⁺ T cells are important in generating protective immune responses in the host against *M. tuberculosis* infection by producing IFN- γ (Tascon, Stavropoulos et al. 1998). Mice lacking MHC-Ia were less susceptible over the course of the infection compared to β 2-microglobulin knockout mice, suggesting that other cells apart from classically MHC-I restricted CD8⁺ T cells were playing a role in the resistance mechanism to TB infection (Perarnau, Saron et al. 1999). The effector mechanisms of this subset of T cells include cytokine production in the form of IFN- γ and TNF which have important roles in mediating anti-mycobacterial immunity (roles of TNF and IFN- γ discussed in sections 1.6.3 and 1.6.6) and in TB patients, IFN- γ secreting MHC-I restricted CD8⁺ T cells could be detected by enzyme-linked immunosorbent spot (ELISPOT) from the peripheral blood (Pathan, Wilkinson et al. 2000). The killing of mycobacteria was dependent on perforin and granulysin and this direct killing of *M. tuberculosis* could also be demonstrated by incubating *M. tuberculosis* with granulysin alone (Stenger, Hanson et al. 1998).

1.7.1.3-Unconventional T cells

Mycobacterial glycolipids such as LAM, PIM and mycolic acids are presented on CD1 molecules. There exists two main groups of CD1 molecules, with group 1 comprising of CD1a, CD1b and CD1c, found in primates and guinea pigs and group 2 – CD1d found in mice (Porcelli and Modlin 1999). CD1 molecules are present in distinct intracellular compartments with CD1a being expressed in the early recycling endosomes, CD1b in late endosomes/lysosomes and CD1c being localised in endosomes. CD1a and CD1c have ready access to mycobacterial lipids from these compartments. A correlation between CD1 T cells in the peripheral blood and prior *M. tuberculosis* infection, with CD1 responses being reduced during active TB infection, has been reported (Ulrichs, Moody et al. 2003).

Double negative (CD4⁻ CD8⁻) CD1 restricted T cells which recognise mycobacterial antigens are capable of producing IFN- γ and expressing cytotoxic activity (Stenger, Mazzaccaro et al. 1997). In contrast, to CD8⁺ T cells, these cells exert their cytotoxic activity via the Fas-FasL pathway.

In addition, to the above mentioned subsets of T cells, a minor T cell population expressing the $\gamma\delta$ T cell receptor has been implicated in response to mycobacterial infections and shown to accumulate during early infection of mice. δ T cell receptor gene-disrupted mice infected with *M. tuberculosis* did not exhibit increased susceptibility to infection compared with wild-type animals, although at the site of granuloma formation, there was an increased neutrophil infiltration, suggesting a potential role for these cells in directing cellular trafficking and granuloma formation (D'Souza, Cooper et al. 1997).

Another sub-population of T cells, which represent approximately 5-10% of the circulating CD4⁺T cells in healthy individuals are the regulatory T cells (Baecher-Allan, Brown et al. 2001). These cells are characterised as being Foxp3⁺CD4⁺CD25⁺ or CD8⁺. Foxp3 is a T cell lineage specification factor, with an essential role in the development of CD4⁺CD25⁺ regulatory T cells. A recent study reported an increased frequency of CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells in patients with active TB and depletion of this subset of T cells improved IFN- γ production from

CD4⁺T cells (Ribeiro-Rodrigues, Resende Co et al. 2006). Another set of experiments demonstrated an increase in the frequency of Foxp3⁺CD4⁺ in the spleen and lungs of mice infected with *M. tuberculosis*. Hence, it was suggested that, regulatory T cells limited the function of CD4⁺ T cells during the course of infection (Kursar, Koch et al. 2007). The role of regulatory T cells during *M. tuberculosis* infection remains unclear but a common consensus seems to be, the depression of protection afforded by CD4⁺ T cells, during the course of TB infection, by regulatory T cells.

1.8-Involvement of other immune cells in the host mediated response to *M. tuberculosis*

Additional subsets of immune cells are also thought to contribute to the host immune response during *M. tuberculosis* infection. In the inflammatory response during the course of infection, neutrophils are the first phagocytes to arrive at the site. Neutrophils are present early at sites of TB infections, as well as in granulomas (Peters and Ernst 2003). They also appear to be recruited to the lung, where they have a role during acute TB infection (Fulton, Reba et al. 2002). Additionally, neutrophils are thought to have an immunomodulatory role, as they produce cytokines and chemokines thus contributing to the global responses to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Petrofsky and Bermudez 1999).

B-cells were thought not to play a role during mycobacterial infection as B-cell mice deficient displayed similar bacterial loads to the wild-type mice. But a recent report demonstrated that B cell^{-/-} mice displayed profound immunopathology and increased IL-10 production in the lung in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Furthermore B cell^{-/-} mice were susceptible to a high dose of *M. tuberculosis* which was reflected in the elevated bacterial counts in the lungs (Maglione, Xu et al. 2007). The contribution of antibodies to the host response during mycobacterial infection is still not clear. Recent reports have demonstrated a use for high dose intravenous immunoglobulin in reducing bacterial loads at early and late phase of infection and could be used as an adjunct to therapy of TB (Roy, Stavropoulos et al. 2005; Roy, De Silva et al. 2006).

NK cells have been associated with early resistance to intracellular pathogens and are thought to be an early source of IFN- γ prior to the emergence of antigen specific T cells. In the aerosol infection model, it was found that NK cells increase initially over a 3 week period in the lung and then subsequent depletion of NK cells had no effect on the bacterial load in the lungs (Junqueira-Kipnis, Kipnis et al. 2003). NK cells also exhibit enhanced lytic capability against *M. tuberculosis* infected macrophages following stimulation with IL-12 (Bermudez, Wu et al. 1995).

The protective role against *M. tuberculosis* is generally accepted to be cell mediated with dendritic cells among the key subsets of innate immune cells bridging the gap between innate and adaptive immune responses.

1.9-Dendritic cells and mycobacteria

M. tuberculosis can readily infect dendritic cells (Bodnar, Serbina et al. 2001; Jiao, Lo-Man et al. 2002). Dendritic cells are not considered the natural host cells for mycobacteria. Thus, less is known about the interface between dendritic cells and mycobacteria, when compared to the wealth of information available for the interaction between macrophages (primary host cells for the bacilli) and mycobacteria.

Key aspects of dendritic cells underlie the importance of studying this subset of immune cells during mycobacterial infections. These include:

1. The ability of these cells to secrete IL-12, which plays a key role in the development of a protective immune response
2. The capability to transport antigens from the periphery into the draining lymph nodes and activate naïve T cells, as these cells are equipped with an array of antigen presenting molecules (MHC-I, MHC-II and CD1 molecules) and co-stimulatory molecules
3. The possibility that these cells act as “Trojan horses”, harbouring mycobacteria, thus providing a safe environment for the bacilli by preventing uptake and destruction by activated macrophages.

A study comparing the ability of activated murine macrophages and dendritic cells demonstrated that, dendritic cells were able to restrict the growth of the bacteria but in comparison activated macrophages were highly efficient in killing *M. tuberculosis* (Bodnar, Serbina et al. 2001). Dendritic cells utilise TLRs to recognise mycobacteria and it has been reported that stimulation of TLR 2 and TLR 4 on human dendritic cells, with BCG cell wall skeleton, (consists of mycolic acids, arabinogalactan and peptidoglycan) induces the secretion of TNF- α which leads to the maturation of dendritic cells. Other receptors like DC-SIGN aid in the uptake of mycobacteria and engagement of this receptor has been reported to suppress dendritic cell maturation by inducing production of IL-10. The interaction between DC-SIGN and mycobacteria has been discussed in section 1.3.4).

Maturation of dendritic cells via engaging the TLRs, results in the induction of signalling via NF- κ B. It has been previously reported that dendritic cells in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection exhibited a mature phenotype. In contrast to these studies, a study has reported that dendritic cells derived from monocytes exhibit a limited maturation capacity in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection which was reversible upon removal of IL-4 and GM-CSF from dendritic cell cultures (Hanekom, Mendillo et al. 2003).

It has been postulated that dendritic cells function to transport the bacilli from the lungs which is usually the primary site of infection to the draining lymph nodes. A recent report provides evidence to this statement. This study reported that a significant proportion of BCG was detected in dendritic cells in the draining lymph nodes. In the draining lymph nodes dendritic cells would present mycobacterial antigens to T cells thus evoking a protective T cell response or act as bystander cells to present antigens from other mycobacterial infected cells (Humphreys, Stewart et al. 2006).

M. tuberculosis infected dendritic cells can prime naïve T cells *in vitro* and induce an IFN- γ producing Th-1 type response (Giacomini, Iona et al. 2001; Hickman, Chan et al. 2002). In addition, mycobacteria infected dendritic cells

prime protective T cell responses when administered into mice with priming of both CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells (Roy, De Silva et al. 2006). T cell responses primed in this manner are protective against a subsequent challenge with virulent *M. tuberculosis*, achieving levels of protection similar to, or improved upon that conferred by BCG (Roy, De Silva et al. 2006).

The process of cross-priming has been shown to be an essential component of priming T cells thus an integral part of the immune response against pathogens (Sigal, Crotty et al. 1999; den Haan and Bevan 2001). Apoptotic blebs derived from mycobacteria infected cells are phagocytosed by uninfected dendritic cells and presented to MHC-I and CD1 restricted T cells. Dendritic cells were found to be indispensable for this new detour pathway of priming T cells, as dendritic cells possess a unique endosome to cytosol pathway, and they are superior to macrophages in priming T cell responses (den Haan and Bevan 2001; Aaronson and Horvath 2002; Schaible, Winau et al. 2003). Hence, uninfected dendritic cells are also important in cross-priming *in vivo* during *M. tuberculosis* infection thus, contributing to the T cell mediated immune responses generated by the host.

1.10-Microarrays

Global transcriptional responses of immune cells to a pathogen like *M. tuberculosis* can be deciphered using microarrays. Microarrays represent a high throughput screening method to monitor the whole genome on a single chip. Affymetrix arrays provide high reproducibility and specific detection of gene expression but the downside being that they cannot be produced in-house. They have to be purchased from commercial sources hence making them very expensive thus limiting the number of analysis that can be carried out.

Affymetrix GeneChips are manufactured using semiconductor fabrication technology, combining this with photolithography to enable a vast amount of information to be accommodated on a single chip. Mouse genome 430 2.0 array is a 11µm sized chip representing approximately 39,000 transcripts thus, providing coverage of the entire transcribed mouse genome on a single chip (source -

Affymetrix data sheet). Expression chips consist of 11 probe pairs; each probe is about 25 basepairs long, weighted towards the 3' end of the transcript and spans the entire length of each gene measured. One probe from the pair perfectly matches the target gene, while the other has a single mismatch located in the middle of the sequence, thus serving as an internal control for correcting non-specific binding. The mismatch probe differs from the perfect match probe in the 13th base. The expression level for each gene is a summary of the entire probe set hybridisation data.

Microarray analysis is useful in uncovering pathways and identifying biomarkers of gene expression patterns under a given experimental condition or in human diseases. Using Affymetrix arrays, it has been possible to identify transcriptional responses for infections with influenza A and systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE). The analysis of peripheral blood mononuclear cell profiles from patients with influenza A or SLE, allowed for the identification of genes common to both these diseases and also unique gene patterns which were then further translated into functional modules, to obtain a distinct gene expression signature for each disease (Chaussabel, Allman et al. 2005). Profiling gene expression of human dendritic cells and macrophages, in response to a group of diverse microbes including *Toxoplasma gondii*, *Leishmania major*, *Leishmania donovani*, *Brugia malayi* and *M. tuberculosis*, identified clusters of genes which showed cell type specificity. A greater change in gene expression was observed in dendritic cells (1519 genes) in comparison to macrophages (1060 genes) (Chaussabel, Semnani et al. 2003).

Additionally, microarrays can be used to assign probable functions to genes with no known biological role by comparing expression patterns to genes with known function, to discover vaccine targets and to elucidate genetic differences between pathogens. It has been possible to use microarrays to identify genes at the various stages of infection with *Neisseria meningitides* (Kurz, Hubner et al. 2003) and *Plasmodium falciparum* (Le Roch, Zhou et al. 2003), which served as the basis of identification of a number of vaccine candidates.

Microarray technology had made it possible to have a genome-wide view of complex interactions rather than focussing on a single aspect of the host-pathogen relationship. The biggest limiting step in microarray based experiments is the post-analytical step. With the advent of microarrays, the interest in the use of various bioinformatics tools to identify transcription factors regulating gene expression changes also increased exponentially. Identifying *cis*-regulatory sequences is crucial to understanding gene expression. Transcription factor binding sites are usually short sequences (5-15 bases) and hence potentially these sites can occur frequently by chance thus leading to a large number of false positives. A approach that could be used is to identify over-represented transcription factor binding motifs in the promoters of differentially regulated genes by using position weight matrices which are available as databases such as JASPAR (Sandelin, Alkema et al. 2004) and TRANSFAC (Wingender, Chen et al. 2000).

1.11- Aims of the project

The main objective of the project was to study the global interactions between bone marrow derived dendritic cells and *M. tuberculosis*. Particular emphasis was placed on characterising the immune signalling pathways that are evoked by dendritic cells in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

The specific objectives of the project were:

- 1 To use Affymetrix gene expression profiling to identify differentially expressed genes in response to infection on a global scale
- 2 To utilize a bioinformatic approach to identify potential transcription factor binding domains within genes that are differentially regulated by dendritic cells infected with *M. tuberculosis*
- 3 To validate selected gene expression data from microarray analysis using real-time PCR, ELISA , FACS and biochemical approaches
- 4 To investigate the role of MyD88 independent signalling pathway in the priming of anti-mycobacterial immunity, in an intravenous model of *M. tuberculosis* infection.

Chapter 2

Materials and Methods

2.1- Mice

Adult 6-8 week old male C57BL/6 and MyD88^{-/-} mice were obtained from breeding colonies maintained under specific pathogen-free conditions in the animal facilities at the National Institute for Medical Research (NIMR). MyD88^{-/-} mice (Adachi, Kawai et al. 1998) were kindly provided by Dr. Jean Langhorne, NIMR.

2.2-Bacteria

The *M. tuberculosis* strain H37Rv was grown in Dubos media supplemented with 0.2% (v/v) glycerol (Merck, Germany) and Dubos medium albumin (Difco, New Jersey) in roller bottles at 37⁰C. Aliquots of H37Rv (optical density 0.55-0.60) were stored at -80⁰C.

2.3- Dendritic cells

2.3.1-Generation of bone marrow derived dendritic cells (BMDCs)

Dendritic cells were cultured using the protocol adapted from Inaba et al (Inaba, Inaba et al. 1992). Briefly, bone marrow cells were derived from murine femurs and cultured for 6 days in Iscove's modified Dulbecco's medium (Invitrogen, UK) supplemented with 5% fetal calf serum, 200mM glutamine, 2mM mercaptoethanol and 10ng/ml of recombinant GM-CSF (R&D systems, UK). Media and non-adherent cells were removed on day 3 and then replaced with fresh media containing GM-CSF. Non-adherent cells were harvested on day 5 and these clusters of cells were sub-cultured in fresh medium with recombinant GM-CSF for a further 24 hours and on day 6 these cells were used as a source of dendritic cells. Using the above method, approximately 8x10⁶ dendritic cells were generated per mouse. The cells were cultured in media free of antibiotics.

2.3.2-Isolation of CD11c⁺ dendritic cells from bone marrow

CD11c antigen is commonly used as a marker of dendritic cells. Purification of CD11c⁺ dendritic cells was performed by the method adapted from the protocol supplied by Miltenyi Biotec. Day 6 dendritic cells were pooled and

washed extensively with sorting buffer (PBS pH7.2, supplemented with 0.5% fetal calf serum and 0.5mM EDTA). After washing the supernatant was removed and the pellet re-suspended in 400µl of sorting buffer per 10⁸ total cells. Fc receptors were blocked with anti-mouse CD16/CD32 (Clone 2.4G2, Pharmingen, San Diego) for 20 minutes at 4⁰C. The cells were then further incubated with 100µl MACS CD11c beads (Miltenyibiotec, clone N418) per 10⁸ cells at 4⁰C for 15- 20minutes. The cells underwent a final wash using sorting buffer and were then re-suspended in 500µl per 10⁸ cells. The cells were then separated using magnetic LS columns (Miltenyi Biotec, UK) on a SuperMACS™(Miltenyi Biotec, UK) magnetic separator . As shown in figure 2.1, dendritic cells after sorting, were consistently 95 ±3% CD11c⁺.

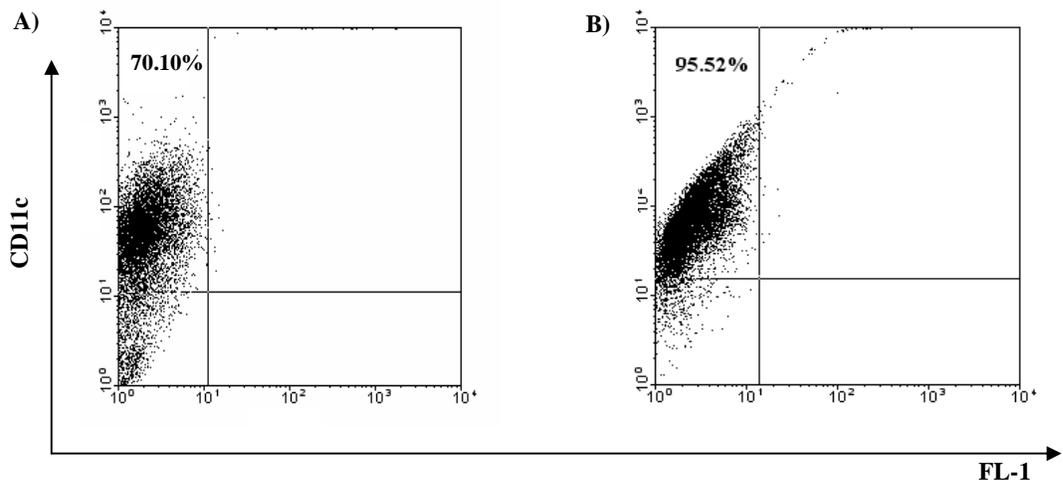


Figure 2.1- Flow cytometric analysis of bone marrow cells

A) before magnetic sorting B) after magnetic sorting using CD11c beads. Results shown percentage of total cells and represent a typical experiment. Consistently, the purity of the cells was 95± 3%.

2.3.3-Flow cytometry

Cells were pooled and washed with PBS supplemented with 1% fetal calf serum (Gibco, Paisley, UK) and after extensive washing the pellet was re-suspended in 0.1ml of PBS supplemented with 1% fetal calf serum. The cell suspension was incubated with anti-CD16/CD32 (clone 2.4G2) for 20 minutes at 4⁰C to prevent non-specific antibody binding and then stained with directly conjugated antibodies for 1 hour at 4⁰C. The following directly conjugated antibodies were used for the experiments: PE CD11c (Clone HL3), PE CD80 (Clone 16-10A1), PE CD86 (Clone GL1), FITC I-A^b (Clone 25-9-17), FITC F4/80 (Clone BM8), FITC IgG2a (Clone R19-15), PE IgG1 (Clone A85-1). After the staining process the cells were washed with PBS supplemented with 1% fetal calf serum and subsequently the cells were fixed in 4% paraformaldehyde and analysed using a FACScan flow cytometer (Becton Dickinson, United Kingdom). Data analysis was performed using WinMDI (Scripps Research Institute, California). All the antibodies used for flow cytometry were purchased from B.D Pharmingen, San Diego.

2.3.4-Cytokine measurement

BMDCs at a concentration of 1x10⁶/ml were stimulated with 1µg/ml LPS from *E.coli* 026:B6 (Sigma-Aldrich, USA), 25µg/ml poly I:C – synthetic double stranded RNA (Autogen Bioclear, UK), infected with H37Rv 10:1 (10 bacteria per cell) or left uninfected (negative control) and supernatants were collected usually between 6-72 hours post-stimulation, unless specified. All cytokine measurements were carried out by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) using commercial kits according to the manufacturer's protocol. IL-12p40 (sensitivity 8 pg/ml), IL-12p70 (sensitivity 15pg/ml), IL-6 (sensitivity 4pg/ml), TNF-α (sensitivity 8pg/ml) and IL-10 (sensitivity 30pg/ml) were purchased from eBioscience (San Diego). CXCL10 (sensitivity 30pg/ml) ELISA kit was purchased from R&D systems (Oxford, UK) and IFN alpha (sensitivity 12.5pg/ml), IFN beta (sensitivity 15.6 pg/ml) kits were acquired from PBL Biomedical Laboratories, New Jersey.

2.4- RNA and DNA microarray hybridisation and analysis

2.4.1- RNA isolation

Total RNA was extracted using TRIzol reagent (Invitrogen Ltd, UK) according to the manufacturer's protocol. Briefly, TRIzol is a mono-phasic solution of phenol and guanidine isothiocyanate used for the isolation of total RNA from cells. 5×10^6 cells were lysed in 1ml of TRIzol at room temperature for 5 minutes. Subsequently, 200 μ l of chloroform per 1ml of TRIzol was added and then further incubated at room temperature for 3 minutes. This was followed by a centrifugation step at 12,000g for 15 minutes at 4⁰C which separates the mixture into three phases and the RNA remains in the upper aqueous phase. The aqueous phase was carefully pipetted into a fresh tube and RNA was precipitated out of the aqueous phase with the addition of 0.5ml of isopropanol. The sample was incubated at room temperature for 10 minutes and then centrifuged at 12,000g for 10 minutes at 4⁰C. The RNA pellet which is visible after the centrifugation step was washed with 1ml of 75% ethanol per 1ml of TRIzol and then further centrifuged at 7,500g at 4⁰C for 5 minutes. The RNA pellet was air-dried and re-suspended in 100 μ l of RNase free water and stored at -70⁰C . RNA was cleaned up to remove any contaminants such as phenol or proteins using the RNeasy Mini Kit (Qiagen Ltd, UK) according to the manufacturer's protocol. The total amount of RNA in each sample was determined using the Nanodrop spectrophotometer (Nanodrop technologies, USA).

2.4.2- Determining the quality of RNA

The quality of RNA was determined using the Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer (Agilent technologies Inc, Santa Clara, CA). The bioanalyzer generates an electropherogram for each RNA sample and key characteristics of the graph aids in the confirmation of the quality of RNA like the presence of well-defined 28S/18S peaks, low noise between 18S/28S peaks, minimal low molecular weight contamination. A 28S:18S, ribosomal RNA (rRNA) ratio of 1.8-2.1, generally indicates a good quality of RNA. An example of an electropherogram is given in figure 2.2.

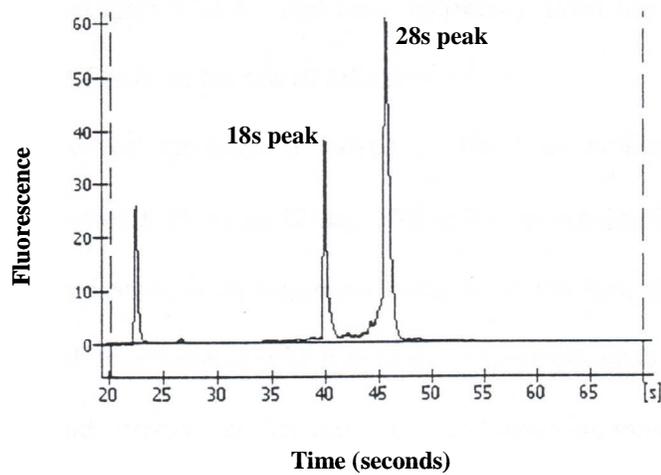


Figure 2.2- Electropherogram of a RNA sample generated by the Agilent bioanalyzer.

Above is a typical plot generated by the bioanalyzer which depicts sharp peaks for 18S and 28S and additionally the lack of noise between the peaks indicates a good quality RNA sample which can be used for processing and hybridisation to the Affymetrix GeneChip.

2.4.3 - Microarray hybridisation and analysis

Three independent experiments were conducted using 4-6 mice per experiment on different days, to generate triplicate biological RNA samples for microarrays.

2.4.4- MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs -two-cycle target labelling and hybridisation

Triplicate biological samples were prepared from MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs and from each biological sample, 50ng of total RNA from MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs was used for two cycle target labelling and hybridisation to the Affymetrix Mouse

genome 430 2.0 array as per the manufacturer's protocol (Affymetrix Inc, Santa Clara, CA). Two cycle target labelling was used due to the limited availability of MyD88^{-/-} mice which was required to carry out the experiments. Briefly, 50 ng of RNA was reverse transcribed into cDNA using the Affymetrix two-cycle synthesis kit (Affymetrix Inc, CA) and T7-Oligo(dT) primer (Affymetrix Inc, Santa Clara, CA). cRNA was subsequently generated from the cDNA sample by an in vitro transcription reaction using MEGAscript T7 kit (Ambion, Austin, USA). A further step of cDNA synthesis was needed in the 2-cycle cDNA synthesis cycle to generate sufficient amounts of cRNA for target labelling and hybridisation. Subsequently, the unlabelled cRNA was reverse transcribed into first strand cDNA using random primers (Invitrogen Ltd, UK followed by the 2nd strand cDNA synthesis using T7-Oligo(dT) primer (Affymetrix Inc, Santa Clara, CA). The amplified cDNA was labelled with biotin during an in-vitro transcription reaction to produce biotin labelled cRNA which was then fragmented and hybridised to the Affymetrix Mouse genome 430 2.0 array. The fluorescence was measured using the Affymetrix GeneChip scanner 3000.

2.4.5- C57BL/6 BMDCs-one-cycle target labelling and hybridisation

Triplicate biological samples were prepared from C57BL/6 (wild-type) BMDCs and from each sample 5-8µg of total RNA was used for one cycle target labelling and hybridisation to the GeneChip (Affymetrix, UK). The further step for the cDNA synthesis was not needed in the one cycle labelling and hybridisation reactions. The rest of the protocol is the same as described above for the two-cycle target labelling and hybridisation.

2.4.6- Analysis of microarray data

Microarray data was analysed using GeneSpring version 7.3 expression analysis platform (Agilent technologies Inc, Santa Clara, CA). The algorithm GC-Robust Multiarray Analysis (GCRMA) was computed from GeneSpring 7.3 (Agilent technologies, Santa Clara) to generate the absolute values from the .cel files (contains fluorescence intensities for each probe on the microarray) for

further normalisation. The GCRMA algorithm was chosen as it provides a good signal-noise ratio thus giving the best signal specificity and also achieves a more accurate coverage of the low expressing genes (Wu and Irizarry 2004). The MAS 5.0 algorithm was used to obtain the flagged data for each gene (genes are flagged as present, marginal or absent). The following normalisation parameters were applied to each experimental sample:

1. Data transformation- cut-off value set at 10 (Enables transformation of data into the log scale by eliminating any zero or negative values)
2. Per chip- Normalise to 50th percentile (Removes non-biological variation across GeneChips)
3. Per gene- Normalise to median (Enables all transcript values to be centred around 1, thus making comparisons of gene expression patterns straightforward)

Individual GeneChips and each gene were normalised to 50% median intensity. The normalised data was transformed to the log scale. All the GeneChip data was normalised and log transformed before averaging and comparing each gene's expression value.

After normalisation of the data, the following filtering parameters were used to identify differentially regulated genes.

1. Flag filter- selects for gene flags which are either 'Present' or 'Marginal' in 3 out of the 6 samples
2. Expression level filter- removes genes which are non-changing across the GeneChips
3. AFFX control genes filter- enables removal of the Affymetrix control genes

Following filtering, differentially regulated genes were identified by analysing a change in transcript expression level between the uninfected (control) and *M. tuberculosis* infected group by a factor of 1.4 fold (minimum cut-off value suggested by Affymetrix consultant, Dr. Euan Hunter, personal communication) with a p value cut-off set at ≤ 0.05 . The level of significance (p value ≤ 0.05) for each gene was tested using the one-way analysis of variance; Welch t-test (parametric t-test; assuming variances are unequal).

Quality control of all the samples was assessed using RNA digestion plots and differences in the distribution of intensities across arrays were evaluated using box plots for samples from C57BL/6 BMDCs (Appendix I) and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Appendix II).

2.4.6.1- Kyoto Encyclopedia of Genes and Genomes (KEGG) pathways

KEGG pathways are a collection of biological pathways depicting the molecular interactions for various biological processes within an organism. These biological pathways are available for use as plug-in feature of GeneSpring 7.3. Differentially regulated genes can be superimposed onto these biological pathways, thus providing an overview of the various pathways that exhibit a change in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs.

2.5- Real-time PCR

2.5.1- Real-time PCR using SYBR green based method

Selected genes of interest were obtained from microarray data analysis and their expression levels were then examined using quantitative real-time PCR. Real-time PCR was performed on cDNA generated from RNA samples that were prepared independently of the RNA used for microarray analysis. Total RNA was reverse transcribed using random primers (Invitrogen, Paisley, UK) and superscript II reverse transcriptase (Invitrogen, Paisley, UK). Quantitect SYBR green PCR kit (Qiagen, UK) was used to produce fluorescently labelled PCR products. The quantification of PCR products was done using the ABI PRISM 7000 sequence detection system (Applied Biosystems, U.S.A). Commercially available primers (SuperArray Biosciences, U.S.A) were used for the real-time PCR reactions. The following temperature cycling profile was used for all the primers: 95⁰C, 15 minutes and 40 cycles of (95⁰C, 30 seconds; 55⁰C, 30 seconds and 72⁰C, 30 seconds).

Real-time PCR reactions were performed with reverse transcriptase negative samples to exclude any DNA contamination. All amplifications were done in optical reaction plates (Applied Biosystems, U.S.A) in duplicates. The expression values of individual genes were normalised to the 18S rRNA, house-keeping gene and the transcript level of each gene was expressed as a fold change for the *M. tuberculosis* infected sample relative to the uninfected sample.

Expression value of the gene of interest (GOI) = $10^{[(C_t - b)/m]}$
 (C_t - threshold cycle)

2.5.2- RT profiler PCR array system (IFN array)

Total RNA was reverse transcribed using random primers (Invitrogen, Paisley, UK) and superscript II reverse transcriptase (Invitrogen, Paisley, UK) to generate first strand cDNA. Diluted cDNA with RT (Real-time) SYBR green /ROX (SuperArray biosciences, Maryland) and water was used to generate the experimental cocktail which was added to the 96 well reaction PCR plate pre-coated with IFN genes and controls (SuperArray Biosciences, Maryland). The thermal cycling was performed using the following temperature profile: Cycle 1- 10 minutes at 95⁰C and 40 cycles of 15 seconds at 95⁰C followed by 1 minute at 60⁰C. The expression value for each gene was normalised to a housekeeping gene- glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH) and the fold change was expressed relative to the *M. tuberculosis* infected sample.

The following formula was used to calculate the relative expression level for each gene- $2^{(-\Delta\Delta C_t)}$.

$\Delta C_t = C_t (\text{GOI}) - \text{average } (C_t (\text{HKG}))$, where HKG- housekeeping gene

2.6- Transcription Element Listening system (TELiS)

TELiS (www.telis.ucla.edu) identifies transcription factor binding motifs in the promoters of genes differentially regulated under a given experimental condition which allows inferences about transcription factors mediating the observed changes in gene expression (Cole, Yan et al. 2005). The database computes a statistical list of transcription factor binding motifs in the promoters of differentially regulated genes. Representation of transcription factors is calculated relative to the basal level of prevalence of transcription factor binding motifs represented on the Affymetrix microarray platform. The following parameters were supplied to the bioinformatics database:

Sampling frame: Affymetrix Mouse Genome 430.2 array

Gene list: Genes with a fold change of 1.4 or more with a p value of less than 0.05

Promoter size: -1000 to +200 nucleotides

Stringency of analysis: 0.90 (90% confidence limit)

The above parameters were chosen to maximise detection sensitivity. A z-test (used to determine if changes detected between the population and sample mean are statistically significant) is used to identify the significance of the representation of each transcription factor binding motif in the gene list compared to the sampling frame. Additionally the risk of false positives of the gene list that is considered to be significant (p value <0.01) is calculated using False discovery rate (Benjamini and Hochberg test). The data retrieval function in TELiS is useful for the identification of genes and their respective transcription factor binding sites.

2.7- Western Blot

2.7.1- Extraction of nuclear lysates

Nuclear lysates were prepared using the Transfactor Extraction Kit (Clontech, California) according to the manufacturer's protocol. Briefly, 1×10^7 cells were lysed for 15 minutes on ice in 1ml of lysis buffer (100mM HEPES pH7.9, 15mM MgCl₂, 100mM KCl) supplemented with 0.1M dithiothreitol and

15µl of protease inhibitor cocktails (Aprotinin, Pepstatin A, Bestatin, trans-Epoxy succinyl-L-leucylamido (4-guanidino) butane, and 4-(2-aminoethyl) benzenesulfonyl fluoride hydrochloride in dimethyl sulfoxide) for 15 minutes and then centrifuged at 11,000g for 20 minutes. The resulting supernatant is the cytosolic fraction which was removed and the crude nuclear pellet was then further re-suspended in pre-extraction buffer (20mM HEPES pH 7.9, 1.5mM MgCl₂, 0.42M NaCl, 0.2mM EDTA, 25% [v/v] glycerol) supplemented with 0.1M dithiothreitol and 1.5µl of protease inhibitor cocktails for 30 minutes on ice. The nuclear suspension was centrifuged at 21,000g for 5 minutes and the supernatant was frozen in aliquots at -80°C.

2.7.2- Determining protein concentration in nuclear lysates

Concentration of protein was determined using Coomassie Plus Bradford assay reagent (Pierce, Illinois) according to the manufacturer's protocol. Briefly, the protein sample was mixed with Coomassie plus reagent and then the absorbance at 595nm was determined using a Benchmark plus microplate spectrophotometer (Bio-Rad, UK). Protein concentrations were estimated by reference to absorbance measurements obtained for a series of Albumin (Pierce, Illinois) protein dilutions which served as the standard.

2.7.3- Gel electrophoresis

Nuclear lysates were mixed with NuPage LDS sample buffer (Invitrogen, Paisley, UK) and then incubated at 70 °C for 10 minutes. A protein concentration of 15µg/well was resolved using Tris-HCl Gels 10% (Bio-Rad, UK) in Tris-glycine SDS buffer. Separated proteins were transferred onto nitrocellulose membranes in transfer buffer (GE Healthcare, Buckinghamshire). Following transfer, the membrane was blocked overnight at 4°C with 5% skimmed milk + 0.05% Tween 20 in PBS. After blocking the membrane was washed and incubated with anti-IRF-3 (Santa Cruz biotechnology, California) or anti-IRF-7 (Santa Cruz biotechnology, California) followed by incubation with HRP conjugated anti-rabbit IgG (Santa Cruz biotechnology, California) or anti-goat IgG (Santa Cruz biotechnology, California). The membranes were then developed with enhanced chemiluminescent western blot detecting reagents (GE Healthcare,

Buckinghamshire) and exposed to Lumi-Film chemiluminescent detection film (Roche, USA). Detailed compositions of western blotting reagents are listed in Appendix-III.

2.8- *In vivo* experiments

2.8.1- *In vivo* infection procedure

Six to eight week old female C57BL/6 and MyD88^{-/-} mice were obtained from breeding colonies maintained under specific pathogen-free conditions in the Division of Biological Services, NIMR. Mice were injected intravenously with 10⁶ viable H37Rv and spleens and lungs were harvested at 14 and 30 days post-infection.

2.8.2- Determining colony forming units from *M. tuberculosis* infected murine tissues

Tissues were homogenised by shaking with 2mm glass beads in ice cold saline using a ribolyser (Hybaid) for 30 seconds and 10 fold serial dilutions of the homogenate in saline was plated on 7H11 Middlebrook medium supplemented with Dubos oleic albumin complex supplement . The number of colony forming units was determined after the plates had been incubated at 37⁰C for 14-21 days.

2.8.3- Lung histology

Mice were administered with a lethal injection of anaesthetic (Sagatal, RMB Animal health, United Kingdom) via the intra-peritoneal route and the lungs were perfused with 1ml of 10% neutral buffered formalin solution (Sigma-Aldrich, UK) via the trachea in situ and with an additional 1ml on the removal of the lungs. The lungs were then placed in 10ml of neutral buffered formalin for 3 days prior to histology. Following dehydration in a graded series of ethanol and clearing in xylene, the lungs were embedded in fibrowax (VWR International, UK). Sections of the embedded lungs were stained with hematoxylin and eosin.

2.8.4- Ex-vivo whole spleen cell assay

Spleens were harvested from three mice at 14 and 30 days post-infection, homogenised via a 40µm strainer (Falcon, San Jose), washed and re-suspended in red blood cell lysing buffer (Sigma, UK) for 2 minutes. Cells were washed and re-suspended in AIM-v serum free media (Gibco life technologies, Paisley). In 24 well plates, whole spleen cells were treated with saline (negative control), PPD at various concentrations (0.1µg/ml, 1µg/ml and 10µg/ml) or 1µg/ml of anti-CD3/CD28 (Pharmlingen, San Diego) which served as the positive control. PPD was a kind gift from Dr.Martin Vordermier (VLA laboratories, Weybridge). Supernatants were collected at 24 and 72 hours post-infection. Culture supernatants were run on commercially available ELISA's from e-Bioscience for quantification of IL-2 (sensitivity 2pg/ml) and IFN-γ (sensitivity 15pg/ml).

2.9- Statistics

Statistical analysis was carried out using a Student's t-test (Sigma plot version 10, San Jose) with a p value < 0.05 being considered significant.

Chapter 3

Activation of dendritic cells in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection

3.1 -Introduction

Dendritic cells are potent antigen presenting cells that play a key role in priming immune responses to various pathogens. Dendritic cells in their immature state function as effective phagocytic cells ingesting microbes or their components. It has been previously reported that dendritic cells can efficiently take up microbes such as *Borrelia burdorferia* (Filgueira, Nestle et al. 1996), *Salmonella Dublin* (Ian Marriott 1999) and *M. tuberculosis* (Bodnar, Serbina et al. 2001). By using green fluorescent protein tagged BCG, it has also been demonstrated that lung dendritic cells can phagocytose mycobacteria, *in vivo* (Reljic, Di Sano et al. 2005).

Pathogen derived products including LPS, bacterial DNA and viral dsRNA can promote dendritic cell activation (Brunner, Seiderer et al. 2000). Hallmarks of dendritic cell activation include: increased surface expression of antigen presenting molecules like MHC-II and co-stimulatory molecules such as CD80 and CD86 on the surface and the production of inflammatory cytokines such as IL-12. It has been demonstrated that following phagocytosis of bacteria such as *Salmonella typhimurium* (Ian Marriott 1999) and *M. tuberculosis* (Henderson, Watkins et al. 1997), dendritic cells can produce inflammatory cytokines. *M. tuberculosis* infection of an immortalised dendritic cell line also resulted in increased inflammatory cytokine production, similar to the observation made with primary dendritic cells (Tascon, Soares et al. 2000).

The main aim of the work described in this chapter, was to study the activation of primary murine BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, by determining the expression of co-stimulatory and MHC-II molecules and assaying levels of inflammatory cytokine production both of which function as indicators of dendritic cell activation. The experiments described in this thesis were done using BMDCs which were grown in recombinant GM-CSF, as described in the materials and methods section (chapter 2, section 2.3.1). BMDCs are commonly used as a model to study murine dendritic cells, *in vitro*. The major advantage of using bone marrow as the source of dendritic cells is the ease of obtaining large numbers of dendritic cells from relatively low numbers of mice.

3.2-Characterisation of BMDCs using flow cytometry

BMDCs were generated by culturing bone marrow cells in the presence of GM-CSF for 6 days. To characterise day 6 BMDCs, non-adherent cells were stained with directly conjugated fluorescent antibodies and analysed using flow cytometry. BMDCs were determined by primarily gating on forward scatter (FSC) vs side scatter (SSC), as shown in figure 3.1, A. Visible on the FSC vs SSC plots in figure 3.1, A, are also two populations of cells outside the gate. These cells have a low FSC and thus most likely indicative of the granulocyte population (Inaba, Inaba et al. 1992) and hence were not included within the gated population. CD11c antigen, also known as integrin alpha X was used to initially identify the dendritic cell population. Day 6 BMDCs were $70 \pm 5\%$ CD11c⁺ (Figure 3.1, B). In addition, these cells were also $30.29 \pm 10\%$ CD80⁺, $28.95 \pm 8\%$ CD86⁺, $24.57\% \pm 5\%$ MHC-II⁺ and $5.62 \pm 2\%$ CD11c⁺F4/80⁺ (Figure 3.2).

Thus, day 6 BMDCs exhibit an immature phenotype as indicated by the low expression of CD86 and MHC-II. Although a small portion of cells stained positive for the macrophage specific marker, F4/80 (Figure 3.2, D), the majority of the cells were characteristic of dendritic cells.

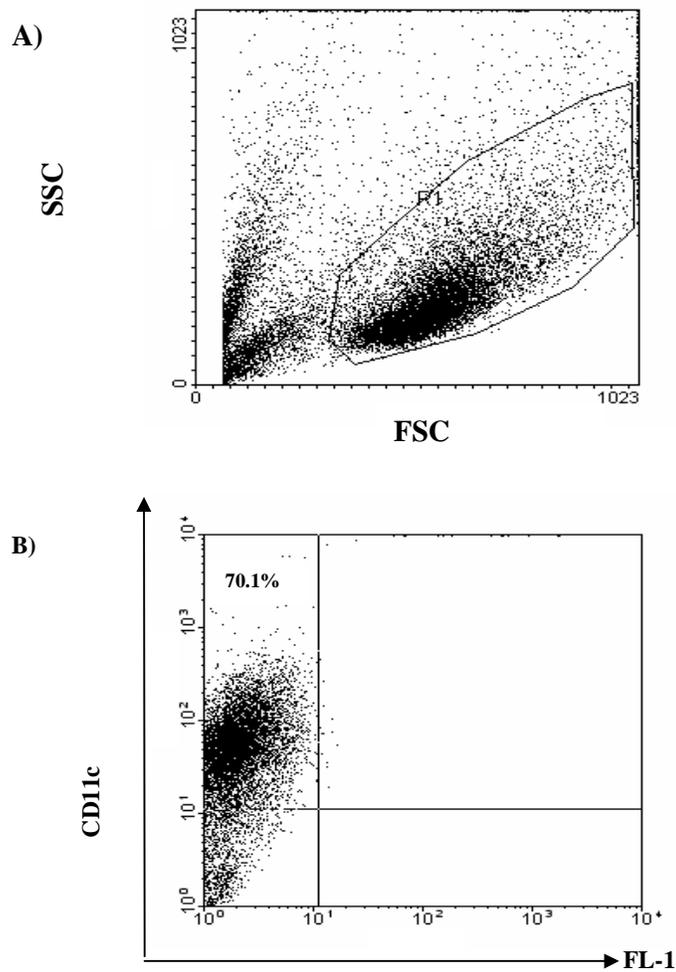


Figure 3.1- Expression of CD11c on BMDCs.

Day 6 BMDCs were gated on **A)** FSC vs SSC and **B)** the expression of CD11c was quantified using flow cytometry. Data shown are representative of 3 independent experiments.

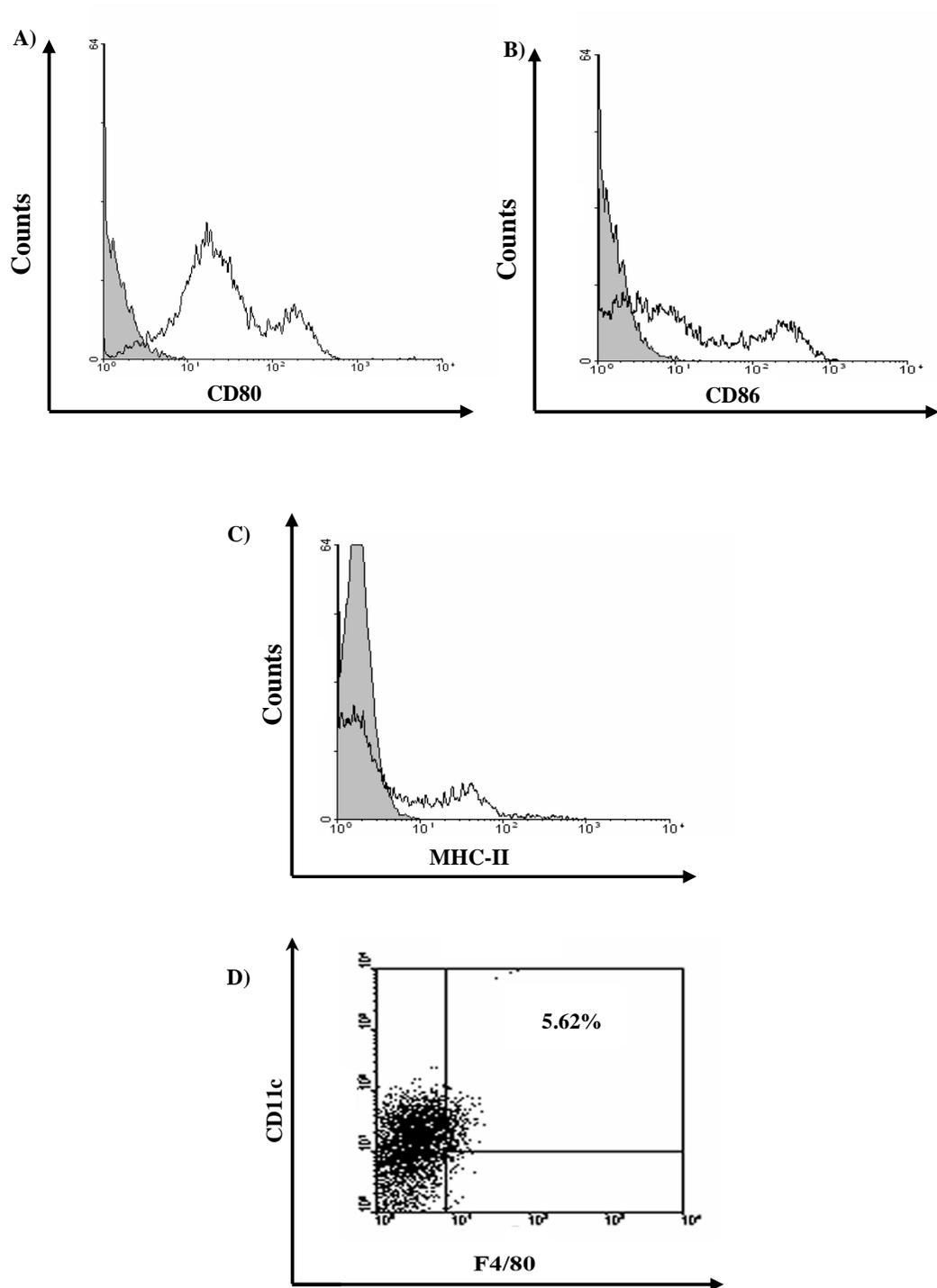


Figure 3.2-Analysis of day 6 BMDCs using flow cytometry.

Non-adherent cells, on day 6 were stained with fluorescent antibodies and the surface expression of A) CD80 B) CD86 C) MHC-II and D) CD11c F4/80 were analysed using flow cytometry. Data shown are representative of 3 independent experiments.

3.3-Phenotypic analysis of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs using flow cytometry

In the previous section it was shown that BMDCs expressed low levels of co-stimulatory and antigen presenting molecules thus identifying them as immature dendritic cells. In order to investigate whether BMDCs can be activated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, day 6 BMDCs were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS (1µg/ml) or infected with H37Rv at a multiplicity of infection (M.O.I) of 10:1 and the expression of activation markers were assessed by flow cytometry 24 hours later. LPS has shown to be an effective activator of dendritic cells and was thus used as a positive control for the experiments (Francesca Granucci 2001). The time-point, 24 hours and the ratio of infection (M.O.I 10:1) was chosen as an early time point to assess dendritic cell responses to *M. tuberculosis* infection, as a result of previous work in our lab, which identified 24 hours and 10:1 as an optimal time point for measuring the activation status of dendritic cells in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Dr. Ricardo Tascon, personal communication).

M. tuberculosis infection of BMDCs, up regulated the expression of CD80 to 83% , CD86 to 82% and MHC-II to 80%, thus indicating that these immature cells are activated in response to infection. These results allows us to conclude that *M. tuberculosis* infection provides the microbial stimuli needed for the activation of dendritic cells thus providing transition to a mature phenotype.

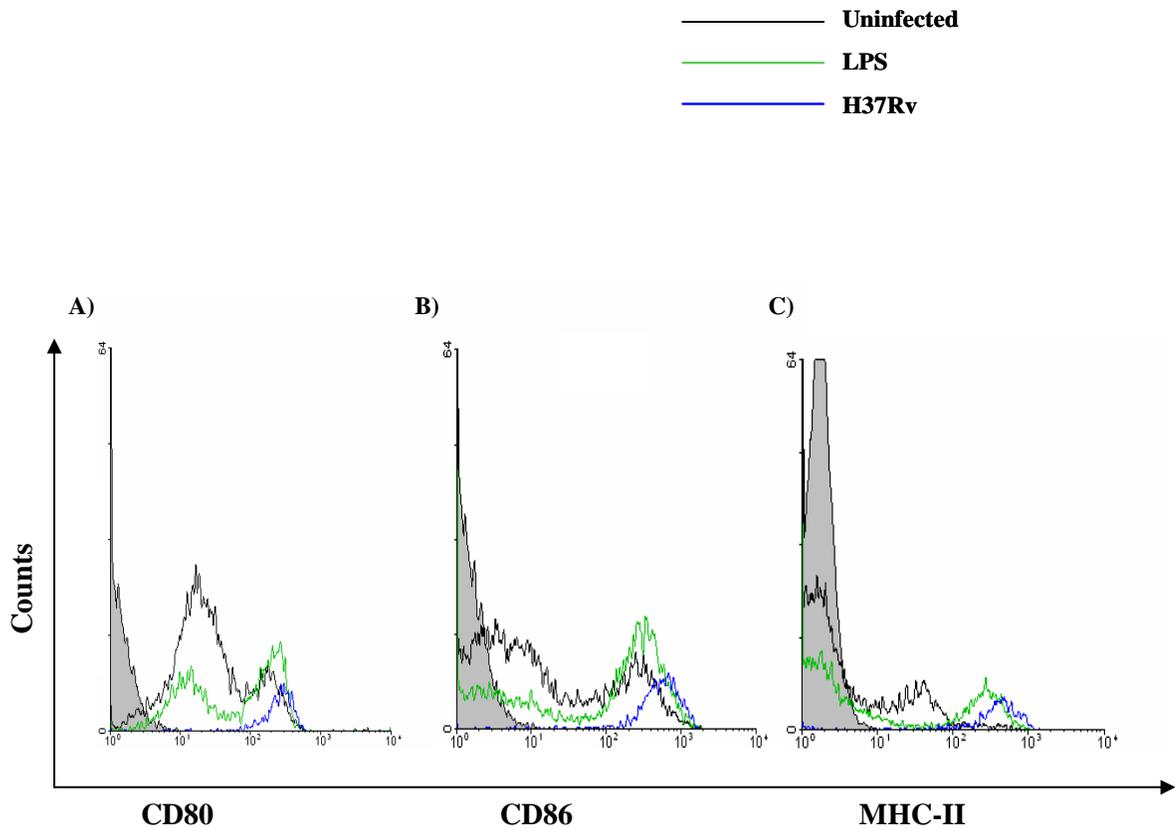


Figure 3.3- Cell surface phenotype of BMDCs infected with H37Rv.

Day 6 BMDCs were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS (1 μ g/ml) or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1. 24 hours post-infection the expression of co-stimulatory molecules and MHC-II were analysed using flow cytometry. Histograms compare the expression of **A) CD80** **B) CD86** and **C) MHC-II** on uninfected cells (black line), LPS stimulated cells (green line) and H37Rv infected BMDCs (blue line). Gray filled histogram represents the isotype IgG control. Data are representative of 3 independent experiments.

3.4- A kinetic analysis of cytokines induced by *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs

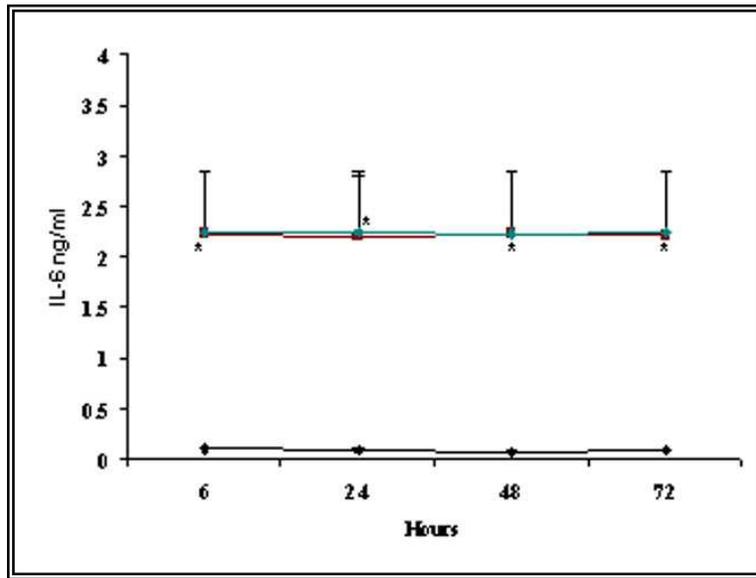
Dendritic cell activation triggers the production of inflammatory cytokines, which play a role in the polarisation of T cell responses either towards a Th-1 or Th-2 type. In the previous section it was shown that immature dendritic cells when exposed to microbial stimuli during *M. tuberculosis* infection were activated hence acquiring increased antigen presenting and co-stimulatory capacity thus moulding these cells to become effective stimulators of T cells. We also studied the repertoire of cytokines that are produced in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection as another indicator of dendritic cell activation.

Day 6 unsorted BMDCs ($70 \pm 5\%$ CD11c⁺) were infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1 and uninfected and LPS stimulated BMDCs were included as control groups. At various time points post-infection (6-72 hours), supernatants were collected and the production of cytokines was assayed using ELISA.

3.4.1- IL-6 and TNF- α production by *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

In response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, BMDCs consistently produced significantly high levels of IL-6 and TNF- α , in comparison to uninfected BMDCs over the time points assayed (6-72 hours), as shown in figure 3.4. Uninfected BMDCs produced negligible amounts of IL-6 and TNF- α at all the time points examined. LPS stimulated BMDCs also produced similar levels of IL-6 to *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs over the course of infection (6-72 hours). Although, the production of TNF- α is comparable between LPS stimulated and *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs between 6 and 24 hours, there is a decrease in the level of TNF- α by 48 hours (3.9 ± 1.9 ng/ml) only in LPS stimulated BMDCs (Figure 3.4, B). Similar levels of TNF- α were secreted by *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs between 6-72 hours of infection, as shown in figure 3.4, B.

A)



◆ Uninfected
 ■ LPS
 ◆ H37Rv10:1

B)

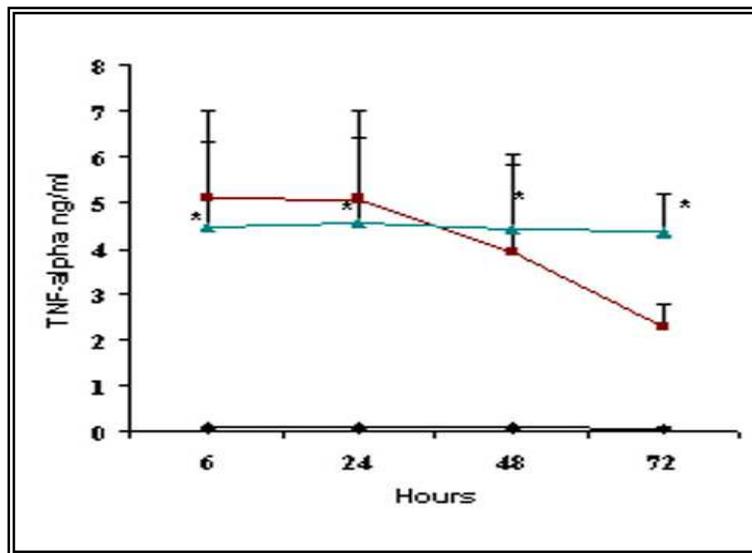


Figure 3.4- IL-6 and TNF- α secretion by BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

Day 6 BMDCs were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1. Supernatants were collected at various time points and quantified by ELISA for the amount of A) IL-6 and B) TNF- α produced. Results are the mean of \pm SE of 3 independent experiments. Statistical analysis was performed between H37Rv infected group and uninfected group with the Student's t-test, *- p value <0.05.

3.4.2- Induction of IL-10 secretion by *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

The production of IL-10 by *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs reached a peak at 24 hours post-infection (0.19 ± 0.05 ng/ml) and decreased over later time points, as shown in figure 3.5. IL-10 was produced by LPS stimulated BMDCs by 24 hours (0.2 ± 0.05 ng/ml), with decreased production at later time points. The levels of IL-10 produced by *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs were not significantly different statistically, to the uninfected group.

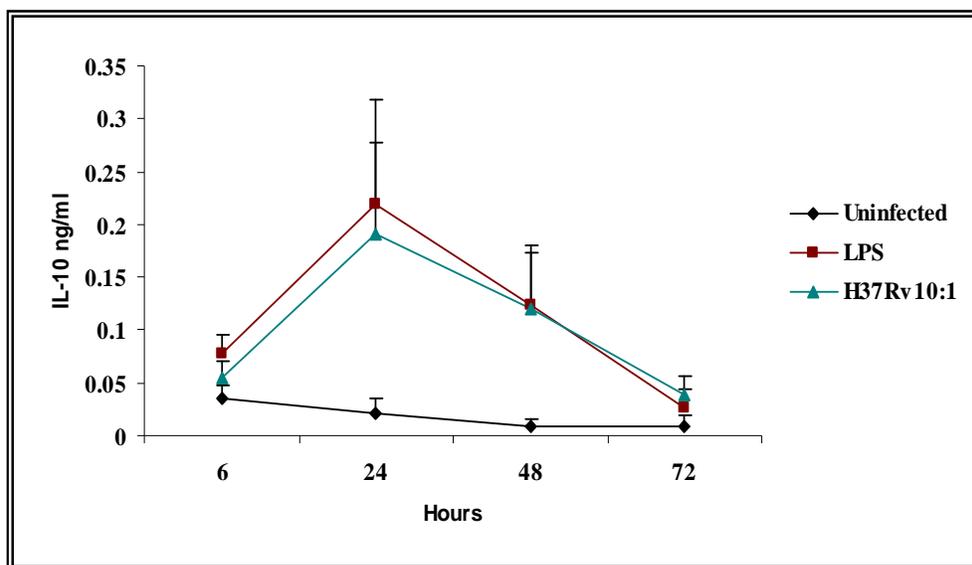


Figure 3.5- IL-10 secretion by unsorted BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

Day 6 BMDCs were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS or infected with H37Rv (M.O.I 10:1). IL-10 levels were quantified using ELISA. Results are the mean of \pm SE of 3 independent experiments.

3.4.3- The production of IL-12 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs

M. tuberculosis infected unsorted BMDCs, consistently produced, lower levels of IL-12p70 in comparison to LPS stimulated cells, as shown in figure 3.6, A. The maximum IL-12p70 production was detected at 24 hours in both LPS stimulated and *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs. High levels of IL-12p40 secretion were detected as early as 6 hours in LPS stimulated BMDCs (5.7 ± 1.4 ng/ml) and only by 24 hours in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs (5.1 ± 1.4 ng/ml), as shown in figure 3.6, B. At later time points (48-72 hours), the production of IL-12p40 was comparable in both LPS stimulated and *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

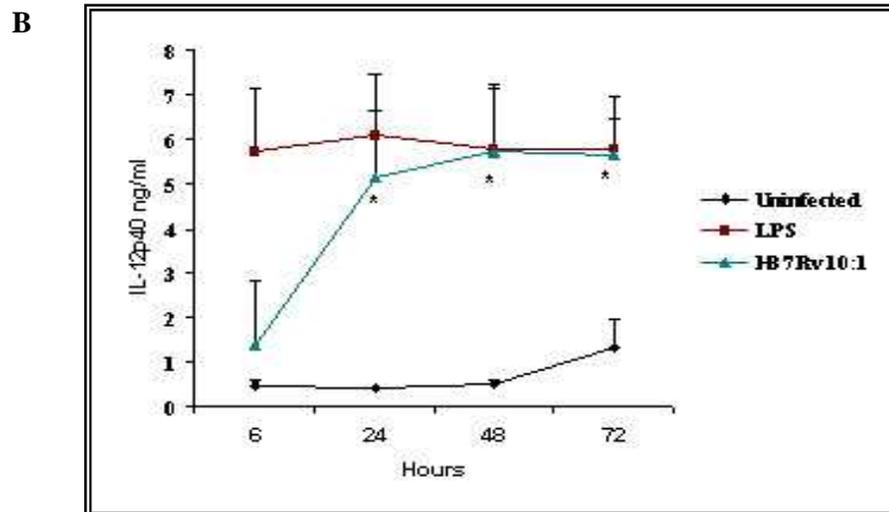
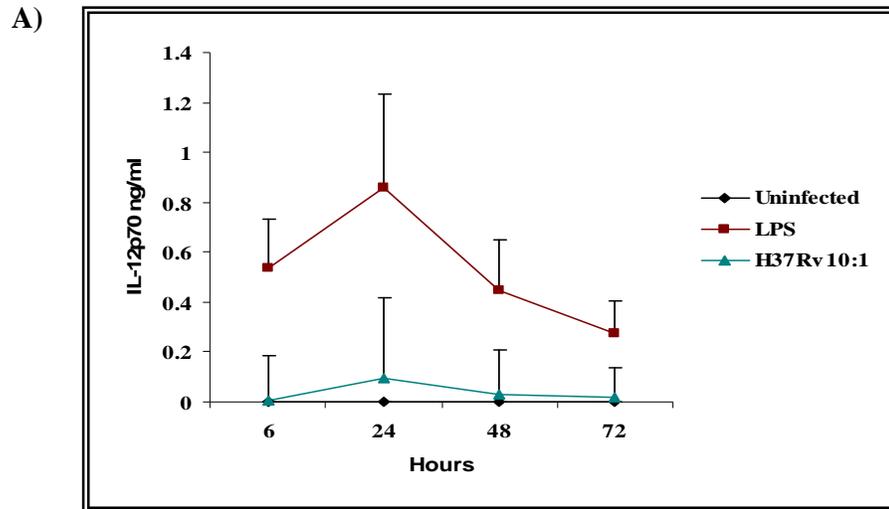


Figure 3.6- Production of IL-12 by BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

Day 6 BMDCs were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS or infected with H37Rv and the amount of IL-12 were determined using ELISA. The production of A) IL-12p70 and B) IL-12p40 was analysed using ELISA. Results are the mean of \pm SE of 3 independent experiments. Statistical analysis was performed between H37Rv infected group and uninfected group with the Student's t-test, *- p value <0.05.

3.5-Discussion

The experiments described in chapter 3 were carried out to study the activation of murine BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Analysis of BMDCs using flow cytometry, demonstrated that these cells displayed an immature phenotype (low expression of CD86 and MHC-II) before microbial stimulation. Following *M. tuberculosis* infection, BMDCs up regulated the co-stimulatory molecules and MHC-II. This is in agreement with published data which also demonstrated similar up regulation of co-stimulatory and MHC-II molecules on murine dendritic cells (Bodnar, Serbina et al. 2001).

In addition to the acquisition of increased surface expression of activation markers, BMDCs also produced increased inflammatory cytokines in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. IL-6 and TNF- α were induced at significantly high levels as early as 6 hours post-infection. The early production of IL-6 and TNF- α represents rapid induction of the synthesis followed an accumulation of these cytokines even at 72 hours post-infection. In contrast, IL-10 and IL-12p70 production peaked at 24 hours, with decreased production at later time points (Figure 3.5 and Figure 3.6, A) . The amount of IL-12p70 produced in response to infection is very low in comparison to IL-6, TNF- α and IL-12p40. This could be attributed to the increased IL-10 production observed at 24 hours post-infection (Figure 3.5). It has been previously shown that IL-12 production by dendritic cells could be augmented by the addition of neutralising anti-IL-10 antibodies in the presence of LPS (Corinti, Albanesi et al. 2001). Thus, it is likely that the increased levels of IL-10 between 6- 24 hours post-infection could be responsible for the low IL-12p70 production between 6-48 hours by *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

In conclusion, BMDCs are activated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection as denoted by the up regulation of co-stimulatory molecules, MHC-II and increased inflammatory cytokine production.

Chapter 4

Profiling transcriptional responses of *M. tuberculosis* infected dendritic cells

4.1 Introduction

Using a global approach to study transcriptional responses, it was possible to have an overview of the gene expression profiles of *M. tuberculosis* infected dendritic cells. In recent years, a number of studies have been performed using microarrays which have allowed the profiling of genes, that are differentially regulated under experimental conditions and genes that are tightly regulated across different experimental conditions simultaneously (Chaussabel, Semnani et al. 2003; Chaussabel, Allman et al. 2005). The possibility of acquiring gene expression data across various parameters (e.g. different stimuli and time course analysis) for a vast number of genes in a single experiment is probably the major advantage of using microarrays.

Experiments described in the previous chapter demonstrated that BMDCs were activated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection as, depicted by the increased level of co-stimulatory molecules (CD80, CD86), antigen presenting molecule (MHC-II) and augmented levels of cytokine production. The process of dendritic cell activation in response to a pathogen like *M. tuberculosis*, results in an array of co-ordinated gene expression patterns. In order to have a global understanding of these transcriptional events, a microarray based approach was used to profile genes that are differentially regulated in dendritic cells in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

The Affymetrix Mouse 430.2 GeneChip was used to profile gene expression of BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection at a single time point (24 hours). The Mouse GeneChip 430.2 has over 39,000 transcripts on a single chip, so comprehending such vast amounts of data is complex. Thus a single time point analysis was chosen to act as a starting point for future work, in understanding the cohort of signalling pathways and gene expression patterns, which are evoked in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs. After evaluating the cytokine and dendritic cell activation profiles using a kinetic approach, 24 hours was chosen as a time point of optimum dendritic cell activation in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Figures 3.3, 3.4 and 3.6).

The microarray analysis method is described in detail in the Materials and Methods (section 2.4.6). Briefly, day 6 unsorted BMDCs (70±5% CD11c⁺) were infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1 and 24 hours post-infection, total RNA was extracted. Triplicate RNA samples from biological replicates were used for Affymetrix GeneChip labelling and hybridisation. The microarray data was processed with the GCRMA algorithm and differentially regulated genes were considered as those, which had a change in expression of at least 1.4 fold in *M. tuberculosis* infected samples, when compared to the control group (uninfected sample). Differentially regulated genes were statistically analysed using the 1-way ANOVA t-test, with a p value cut-off set at 0.05, in order to select genes with a high level of statistical significance. Differentially regulated genes were grouped into KEGG biological pathways using BioScript library 2.2, a plug-in feature of the GeneSpring software. The use of KEGG pathways allows for visualisation of gene clusters that are differentially regulated as part of various biological pathways.

4.2- An overview of the KEGG biological pathways for differentially expressed genes in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs

Differentially regulated genes were organised into KEGG biological pathways. There were 29 pathways which contained genes being differentially regulated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs. Each pathway was designated a p value, which indicated the level of confidence that the pathway is part of the cellular response generated by BMDCs in response to infection. A list of the top 10 significant KEGG pathways is displayed in table 4.1 and a more complete list of all the KEGG pathways is in Appendix-IV. In response to infection, pathways which are components of the immune response (toll-like receptor, hematopoietic cell lineage and antigen processing and presentation pathways), signal transduction (JAK-STAT signalling and cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction pathways), cell adhesion and membrane transport (cell adhesion molecules, ABC transporters) and others (type I diabetes mellitus, type

II diabetes mellitus and adipocytokine signalling pathway) were among the most significant biological pathways, which contained genes displaying a change in expression in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs.

Genes overlapping with Pathways	p-value
Toll-like receptor signaling pathway	8.68E-12
Jak-STAT signaling pathway	1.17E-10
Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction	2.06E-09
Type I diabetes mellitus	3.44E-06
Hematopoietic cell lineage	1.14E-04
Antigen processing and presentation	4.89E-04
Cell adhesion molecules (CAMs)	7.68E-04
Adipocytokine signaling pathway	1.01E-03
Type II diabetes mellitus	9.52E-03
ABC transporters	1.17E-02

Table 4.1 – List of the top 10 significant biological pathways identified from microarray analysis of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

Genes which displayed differential regulation in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection were integrated within KEGG pathways. The p value indicates the statistical significance; the likelihood of the pathway being part of the cellular response generated by BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection

4.3- Transcription patterns of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

In the previous section, an overview of the 10 most significantly represented biological pathways in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection was highlighted. The following sections examine in detail, patterns of toll-like receptor signalling pathway, JAK-STAT and cytokine-cytokine receptor pathway genes as these pathways are the 3 most significantly represented pathways identified from microarray analysis (Table 4.1). In addition, expression of phagocytosis and pattern recognition receptors in response to infection was also explored.

4.3.1- Gene expression patterns of phagocytosis and pattern recognition receptors

Dendritic cells as sentinels of the immune system circulate in the periphery and use an array of receptors (e.g TLRs) to recognise foreign antigens and utilise receptors like the c-type lectin receptors and complement receptors for phagocytosis of pathogens. GeneChip profiles of receptor expression involved in microbial pattern recognition and phagocytosis are shown in figure 4.1. In response to infection, BMDCs up regulated complement component 1, s subcomponent (C1s) and TLR 2 but interestingly phagocytic receptors like mannose receptor, C type 1 (Mrc1), C1qr1 (CD93) and CD209a (DC-SIGN) were down regulated. C1qr1 is a surface glycoprotein which acts as a phagocytic receptor on monocytes. The expression of C1qr1 is down regulated on mature human dendritic cells (Steinberger, Szekeres et al. 2002) and furthermore, the murine orthologue has been shown to play a role in the clearance of apoptotic cells in vivo (Norsworthy, Fossati-Jimack et al. 2004). The binding of c1q to antigen: antibody complex results in the activation of the serine protease, C1s (up-regulated by a factor of 3 fold) which aids in the initiation of the classical complement pathway.

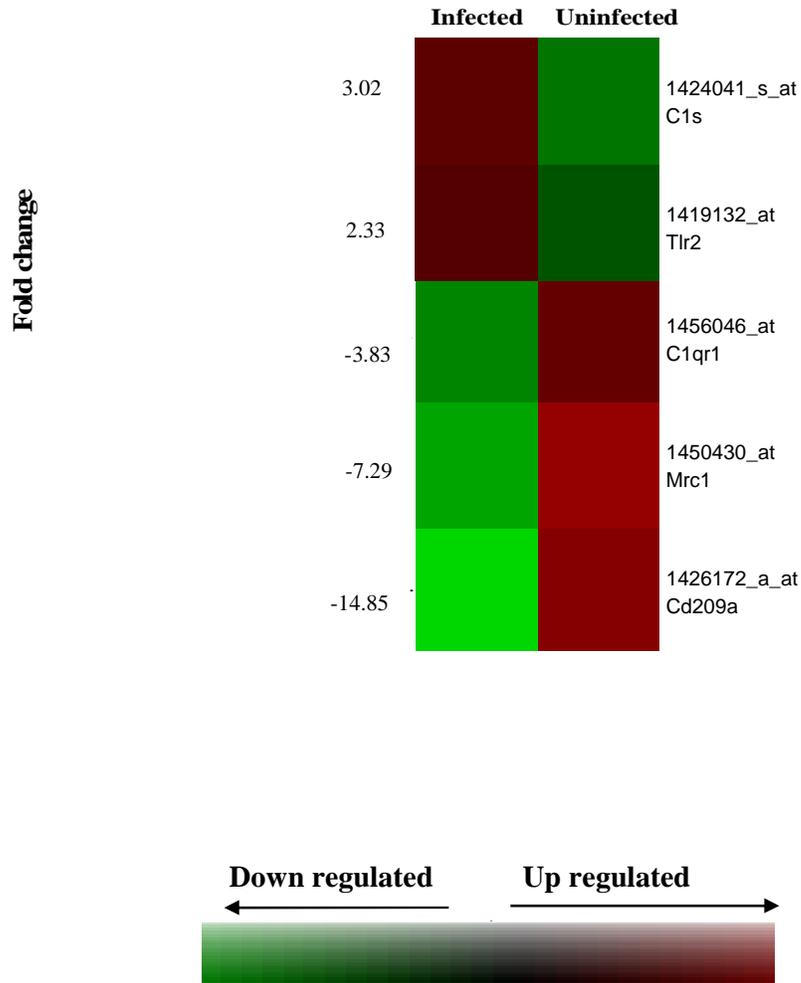


Figure 4.1 – Clustering of phagocytic and pattern recognition receptor genes differentially regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

Differentially regulated phagocytic and pattern recognition receptor genes were identified using the GCRMA algorithm and normalised fold change values in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection are displayed in the clustering diagram. Differentially regulated genes have a 1.4 fold change and a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

4.3.2- Gene expression patterns of TLR signalling pathway genes in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection

Engagement of TLRs results in the induction of signalling pathways, which leads to the production of a strong inflammatory response. A number of genes differentially regulated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection which are part of the TLR signalling pathway, also converge with other pathways like the JAK-STAT signalling pathway and cytokine receptor interaction pathway. This overlap of genes highlights the cross talk that takes place between signalling pathways, thus adding to the complexity of the analysis of data. In this section, only genes which are primarily part of the TLR signalling pathway have been clustered and displayed in figure 4.2. Components of the MyD88 independent signalling pathway, *Tbk1* and *Ikbkε* are significantly up regulated in response to infection (up regulated by a factor >1.9 fold). phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase-p85 alpha (*Pik3r1*), a negative regulator of the TLR signalling pathway is up regulated in response to infection (up regulated by a factor of 2.5 fold), as shown in figure 4.2. TLR 4 is reported to recognise lipomannan and TLR 2 recognises LAM from mycobacterial cell walls (Quesniaux, Nicolle et al. 2004). Although TLR 4 was up regulated in response to infection, the fold change was not statistically significant and thus was excluded from the final gene list. However, TLR 2 was significantly up regulated by 2.3 fold in response to infection as shown in figure 4.2.

The up regulation of CD86 (downstream response of the TLR signalling pathway) at the mRNA level, (3.5 fold up regulation) is in good agreement with increased CD86 protein expression on the surface of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs, (Figure 3.3, B) as measured using flow cytometry.

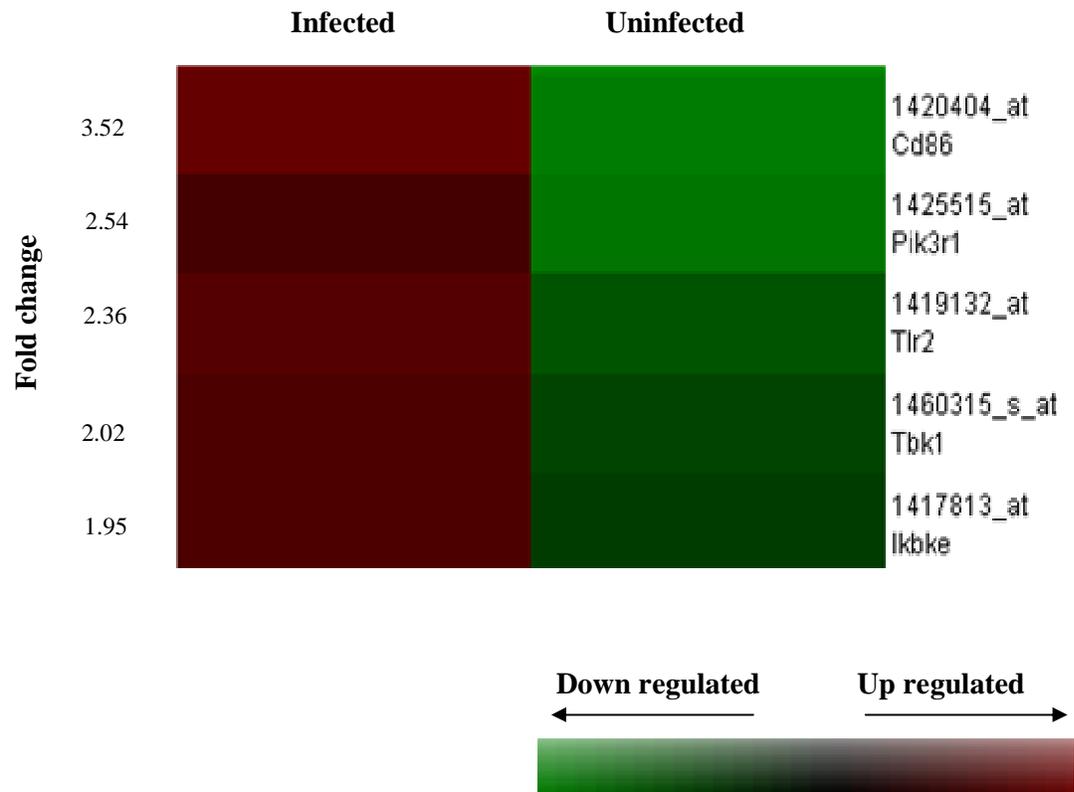


Figure 4.2– Clustering of differentially regulated TLR pathway genes.
 GeneChip profiles of TLR pathway genes were identified using the GCRMA algorithm and normalised values for fold change in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of unsorted BMDCs are displayed for each gene. Differentially regulated genes have a 1.4 fold change and a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

4.3.3- JAK-STAT signalling pathway genes differentially regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

The JAK-STAT signalling pathway has an important role in the control of immune responses, as it is a common signalling pathway used by an array of cytokines (e.g. IL-4, IFN- γ). As shown figure 4.3, differentially regulated genes that are part of the JAK-STAT pathway show high induction levels in response to infection. STAT-1, STAT-2, STAT-3 and SOCS 2 all display a fold change greater than 2. Mutations in the STAT 1 gene can enhance patient susceptibility to mycobacterial infections and this was attributed to inability to produce or respond to IFN- γ *in vitro* (Dupuis, Jouanguy et al. 2003). SOCS are negative regulators of the JAK-STAT signalling pathway and in response to mycobacterial infection; SOCS 2 was up regulated by a factor of 2 fold. Isgf3g (IRF-9), up regulated by a factor of 2.5 fold, is part of the complex comprised of Isgf3g –STAT 1-STAT 2. This complex binds to the interferon stimulated response element and initiates transcription of type I IFN genes.

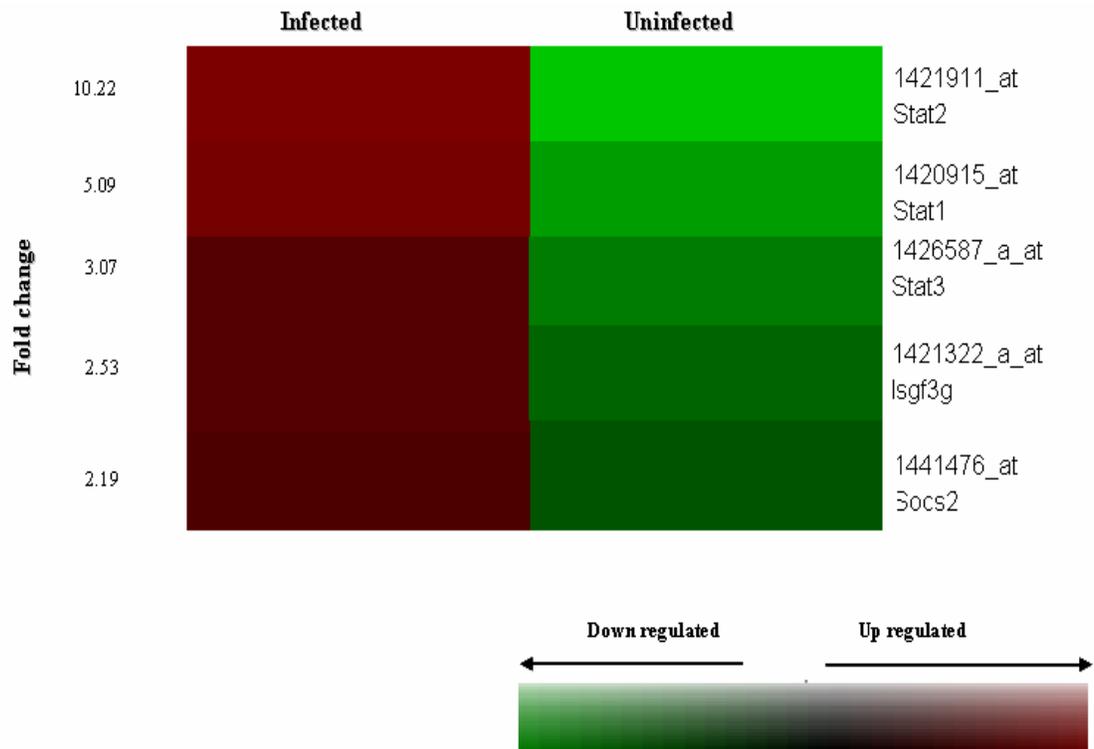


Figure 4.3 - Clustering of JAK-STAT signalling pathway genes regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

GeneChip profiles for JAK-STAT signalling pathway genes were identified using the GCRMA algorithm and normalised values for fold change in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection are displayed for each gene. Differentially regulated genes have a 1.4 fold change and a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

4.3.4 Clustering of cytokine and chemokine genes differentially regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

The induction of inflammatory cytokines is a key part of an efficient immune response and up regulation of chemokines, aids in the migration of dendritic cells out of the periphery into secondary lymphoid organs, and in the recruitment of immune cells to the sites of infection. The microarray results demonstrate that in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, numerous cytokine and chemokine genes were differentially regulated.

As shown in the clustering diagram (Figure 4.4), inflammatory cytokines like IL-6, IL-12b (IL12p40) and TNF- α were up regulated by >6 fold in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. TNF- α has been reported to play an important role in granuloma formation during mycobacterial infections (Roach, Bean et al. 2002) and IL-12p40 has been suggested to be involved in dendritic cell migration from the lungs to the draining lymph nodes (Khader, Partida-Sanchez et al. 2006). Two sub-families of chemokines including the C-C sub family of cytokines (CCL12, CCL4) up regulated >5 fold and the CXC family of cytokines (CXCL1, CXCL2, CXCL5, CXCL9, CXCL10) were up regulated >2 fold in response to infection. The chemokines CXCL9 and CXCL10 are ligands for the receptors CXCR3 and are involved in preferentially attracting CXCR3⁺ T cells to the site of infection (Lande, Giacomini et al. 2003). Tgfbr2 (transforming growth factor β , receptor II), the receptor for the cytokine transforming growth factor β was down regulated by 1.9 fold in response to infection.

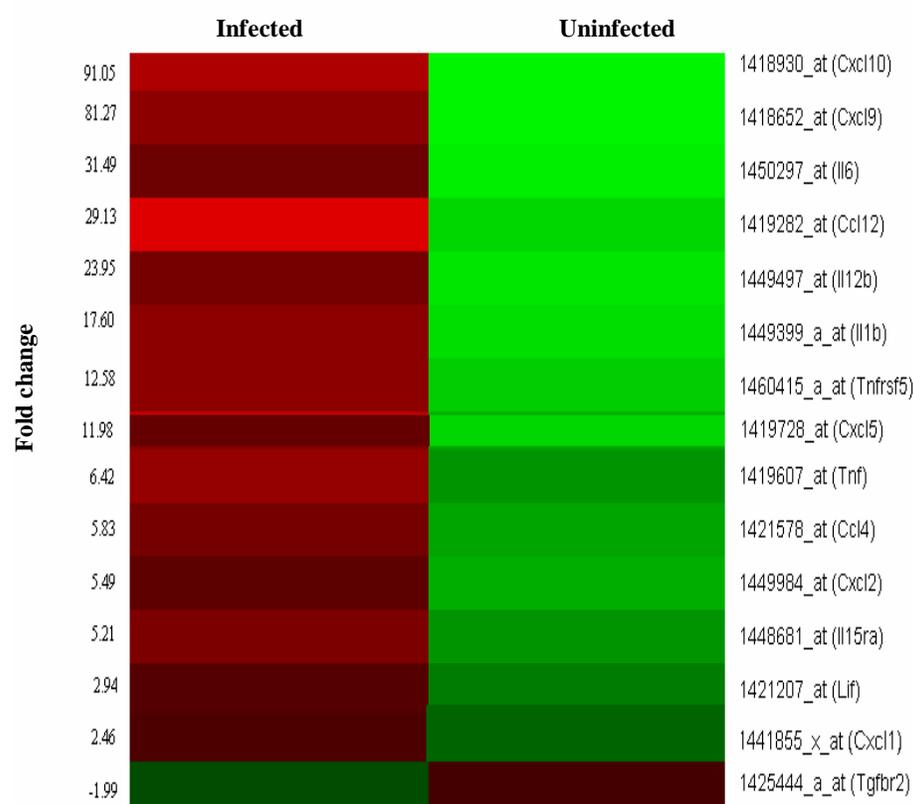


Figure 4.4 - Clustering of cytokine and chemokine genes regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

Differentially regulated cytokine and chemokine genes were identified using the GCRMA algorithm and normalised fold change values in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection are displayed in the clustering diagram. Differentially regulated genes have a 1.4 fold change and a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

In conclusion, a range of immune response and signal transduction pathways are significantly represented in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs. Expression of TLR 2 and cytokines (TNF, IL12b) with known roles in mycobacterial infections were significantly up regulated. In contrast, phagocytic receptors (Mrc1, CD209a) were down regulated in response to infection as shown in figure 4.1. An array of chemokines with roles in attracting immune cells to sites of infection e.g. CXCL2, CXCL5, CXCL9 and CXCL10 were highly up regulated (>5 fold) in response to infection, as shown in figure 4.4. Additionally, the co-stimulatory molecule CD86 was up regulated by 3.5 fold in response to infection. The differential expression of these genes highlights the roles played by dendritic cells as microbial sensors, immune modulators and T cell stimulators.

4.4-Validation of microarray results using real time PCR

Confirmation of microarray data was carried out using real time PCR. Day 6, unsorted (70±5% CD11c⁺) BMDCs were infected with H37Rv (M.O.I 10:1) or left uninfected (control sample) and 24 hours post-infection, total RNA was extracted as described in the materials and methods (Chapter 2, section 2.4.1). cDNA was generated from the RNA samples for real time PCR and expression of selected genes were measured using the SYBR Green method (Chapter 2, section 2.5.1). All gene expression values were normalised to an endogenous control gene 18S rRNA. The relative fold change was calculated as the degree of up regulation or down regulation in the *M. tuberculosis* infected sample relative, to the uninfected sample.

CXCL9 and CXCL10 were the two most highly up regulated genes (up regulated by 81 and 91 fold respectively) obtained from the microarray analysis and thus their expression was confirmed using real-time PCR. IL-6, IL-10, IL-12p35, IL-12p40, TNF, TLR 2, TLR 4 and STAT-1 were chosen on the basis of their importance during mycobacterial infections (Reiling, Holscher et al. 2002; Sugawara, Yamada et al. 2004).

Microarray and real time PCR data are displayed for each of the genes as shown in figure 4.5. The gene expression patterns obtained using both microarrays and real time PCR displayed the same trend. Although microarray represents a useful tool for analysing global gene expression patterns, some genes fail to be included in the final gene list due to the lack of statistical significance (TLR 4, IL-10) or they are detectable only in one experiment (IL12p35). But TLR 4 and IL-12p35, a sub-component of IL-12p70 (IL-12p35/IL-12p40) involved in the CD4⁺ T cell response (Flynn, Goldstein et al. 1995) play important roles during mycobacterial infections. TLR4, IL-12p35 and IL-10 were induced at 24 hours post-infection, as shown in figure 4.5. Additionally, the induction of IL-6, TNF, IL-10, IL-12p70 and CXCL10 was quantified using ELISA (Figures 3.4, 3.5, 3.6 and 4.6). At 24 hours post-infection, increased levels of the cytokines and CXCL10 were detected at both the mRNA and protein level *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs compared to uninfected BMDCs.

Using real-time PCR, expression of key cytokines, chemokines and TLR genes were confirmed. Additionally, gene expression of IL-10, IL-12p35 and TLR 4 were quantified using real-time PCR, even though the expression of these genes was not detected using microarrays.

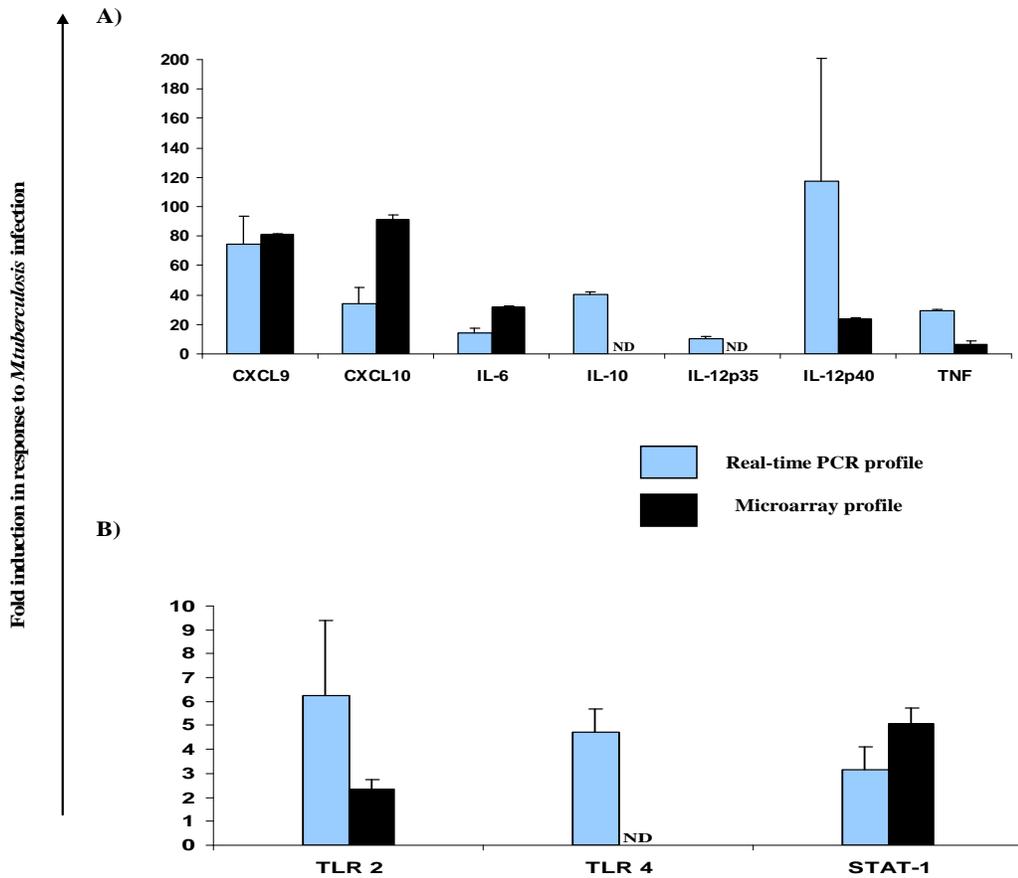


Figure 4.5 – Quantitative real time PCR and microarray gene expression profiles A) cytokines and chemokines B) Toll-like receptors and STAT-1 in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

RNA was extracted from BMDCs 24 hour's post- infection, converted to cDNA and gene expression values as indicated were measured, by SYBR Green incorporation during PCR. For real time PCR, the expression of each gene was normalized to the internal control, 18S rRNA. Fold change for each gene in response to infection was calculated relative to the uninfected sample. Results are representative of 2 independent experiments. Fold change obtained using real-time PCR for each gene was compared with the fold induction values obtained using microarray analysis. ND- genes showed no statistically significant change in the microarray analysis.

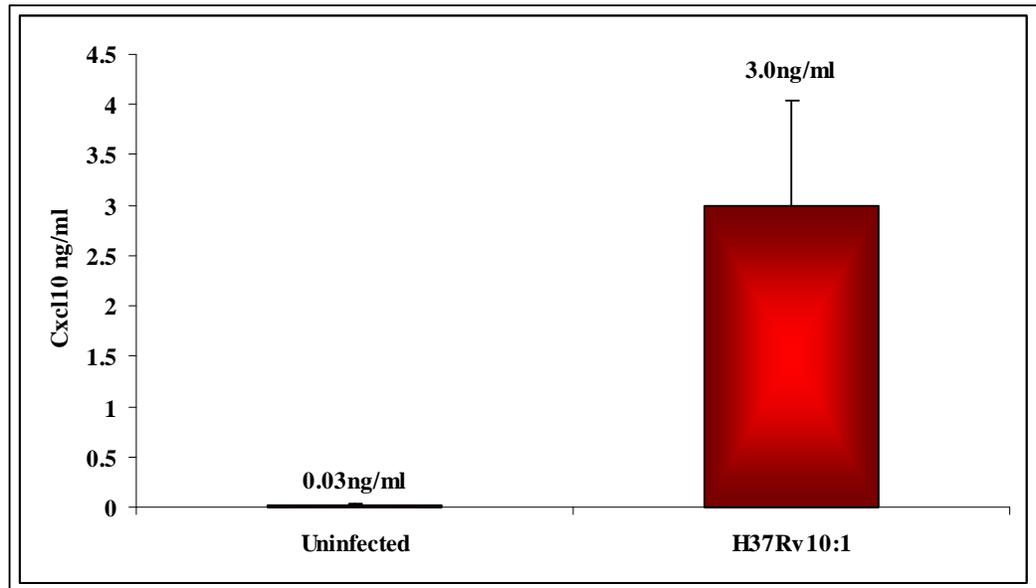


Figure 4.6- CXCL10 production by *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

Day 6 unsorted BMDCs were either left uninfected or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1. Supernatants were collected at 24 hours and quantified by ELISA for the amount of CXCL10 produced. Data shown are the mean \pm SD of duplicate determinations in one experiment, representative of three independent experiments.

4.5- *In silico* promoter analysis of differentially expressed genes

Transcriptional regulation of genes is mediated by transcription factor proteins that form protein-DNA or protein-protein interactions. Each transcription factor binds to its associated transcription factor binding sites, which are located near the gene usually in defined clusters. Using differential expression analysis, it was possible to identify transcription factor binding motifs, represented in the promoter of differentially regulated genes identified from the microarray data. The identification of transcription factors, contributed to the identification of signalling pathways that might be playing important roles, in modulating the variation in gene expression observed from the microarray data.

Genes differentially regulated in response to infection (fold change 1.4 and a p value ≤ 0.05) were analysed using the TELiS database in order to identify the transcription factor binding motifs that are represented in the promoters of differentially regulated genes, as described in materials and methods (chapter 2, section 2.6). Briefly, the following parameters were supplied to the TELiS database for the identification of transcription factor binding motifs:

- Sampling frame- Affymetrix Mouse Genome 430-2 array
- Gene list- Genes with a fold change ≥ 1.4 and a p value ≤ 0.05
- Promoter size- -1000 to +200 nucleotides
- Stringency of analysis- 0.90

The NF κ B transcription factor binding motif was one of the most significantly represented motifs as shown in table 4.2. The NF κ B family is comprised of multiple subunits and binding motifs for NF κ B p65 and reticuloendotheliosis oncogene (CREL) were significantly represented in the promoters of genes that were differentially regulated in response to infection. This is not surprising, as the NF κ B family of transcription factors are considered to be central regulators of the both the innate and adaptive immune response. NF κ B proteins play key roles in dendritic cell development and survival (Ouaaz, Arron et al. 2002) and T cell proliferation (Gerondakis, Grumont et al. 1998).

Interestingly, in addition to NFκB, ISRE binding motif was also significantly represented in the promoters of genes differentially regulated in response to infection (Table 4.2). ISRE sequences are DNA binding motifs for IRFs which are known to be important regulators of the type I IFN response (Taniguchi, Ogasawara et al. 2001).

The other significant binding motif that was represented in the promoters was AP-1, which is a heterodimer formed by jun oncogene (c-jun) and FBJ osteosarcoma oncogene (c-fos) that plays a key role in the binding to the IFN beta promoter along with NFκB and IRF-3/7 and thus plays a role in IFN beta (type I IFN) induction (Wathelet, Lin et al. 1998). Other identified motifs include CEBP binding sites, which are specific for CEBP (CCAAT/enhancer binding protein) family of transcription factors, with known functions in cell proliferation, cell cycle arrest and response to inflammatory stimuli (Lekstrom-Himes and Xanthopoulos 1998), ecotropic viral integration site 1 (EVI1), a transcription factor which has a role in cell cycle progression and myeloid differentiation and heat shock factor-1 (Hsf-1) binding motifs which bind the transcription factor Hsf-1 which is known to play a role in modulating NFκB responses .

In conclusion, IRFs and NFκB appear to be the principal transcription factors mediating gene changes in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs.

Transcription factors binding motifs	P- value	Z-test score
ISRE (Interferon stimulated response element)	1.00×10^{-10}	11.86
NFKB (Nuclear factor kappa B)	1.00×10^{-10}	5.42
NFKAPPAB65 (Nuclear factor kappa B- p65)	1.48×10^{-5}	4.33
CEBP_C (C/EBP binding site)	3.86×10^{-5}	4.12
CREL	2.00×10^{-4}	3.76
EVI1(Ectopic viral integration site 1 encoded factor)	1.4×10^{-3}	3.19
AP1_C (AP-1 binding site)	3.70×10^{-3}	2.91
HSF-1 (Heat shock factor 1)	5.80×10^{-3}	2.76
IRF-2 (Interferon regulatory factor-2)	7.60×10^{-3}	2.67
IRF-1 (Interferon regulatory factor-1)	4.72×10^{-2}	1.98

Table 4.2- Transcription factor binding motifs represented in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

Significant transcription factor binding motifs prevalent in the promoters of differentially regulated genes in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection was identified using the bioinformatic database TELiS. The positive values obtained with the Z-test indicate an increased prevalence of the individual transcription factor binding motifs and the p value represents the level of significance.

4.6- Data mining of type I IFN inducible cluster of genes from microarray data

ISRE sequences were found to be significantly represented in the promoters of genes differentially regulated in response to infection, as shown by TELiS analysis. The microarray data was used to mine type I IFN inducible genes. Genes were identified as being type I IFN inducible using literature based evidence or if the genes have ISRE sequences in their promoter. The ISRE sequences were detected using the data retrieval function in TELiS which makes it possible to identify the prevalence of ISRE motifs in the promoters of the type I IFN cluster of genes.

There were 39 genes mined from the microarray data which could be classified as type I IFN inducible genes (Table 4.3). Identification of this cluster of type I IFN inducible genes was unanticipated as type I IFNs are associated with mediating anti-viral immunity and only recently, been documented in relation to intracellular bacterial infections (Smith, Lombardi et al. 2005).

Type I IFN inducible genes identified from the microarrays was clustered into 6 groups (Table 4.3). Genes involved in anti-viral immunity (e.g. Isg20, OAS1c, OAS2, Mx2), MHC-I antigen processing and presentation (H2-Q10, H2-Q8, H2-T10, H2-T24, Psme2, Tap1) and regulators of transcription (Adar, Ell2, Sp100) were all up regulated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. H2-T24, H2-T10, H2-Q8, H2-Q10 genes were identified by TELiS as having ISRE sequences in their promoters. These genes are predicted to have roles in antigen processing and presentation of peptides via MHC-I proteins, thus promoting the development of CD8⁺ T cell responses. MHC-I synthesis has been previously reported in response to type I IFNs (Kuchtey, Chefalo et al. 2005).

Affymetrix ID	Fold change	Common name	Description		
1426278_at	6.14	2310061N23Rik	interferon, alpha-inducible protein 27	} Antiviral immunity	
1423555_a_at	90.56	A430056A10Rik	interferon-induced protein 44		
1418240_at	3.97	Gbp2	guanylate nucleotide binding protein 2		
1450783_at	84.62	Ifi1	interferon-induced protein with tetratricopeptide repeats 1		
1418293_at	62.53	Ifi2	interferon-induced protein with tetratricopeptide repeats 2		
1419569_a_at	32.59	Isg20	interferon-stimulated protein 20		
1419676_at	11.78	Mx2	myxovirus (influenza virus) resistance 2		
1418686_at	5.48	Oas1c	2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase 1C		
1425065_at	8.00	Oas2	2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase 2		
1424339_at	56.58	Oas1	2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase-like 1		
1422005_at	5.34	Prkr	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 2-alpha kinase 2		
1418587_at	1.97	Traf3	Tnf receptor-associated factor 3		
1427736_a_at	5.84	Ccr12	chemokine (C-C motif) receptor-like 2		} Cytokines and chemokines
1418930_at	91.05	Cxcl10	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 10		
1449497_at	23.95	Il12b	interleukin 12b		
1417244_a_at	65.58	Irf7	interferon regulatory factor 7	} IRFs and Type I IFN pathway	
1421322_a_at	2.53	Isgf3g	interferon dependent positive acting transcription factor 3 gamma		
1420915_at	5.01	Stat1	signal transducer and activator of transcription 1		
1421911_at	10.22	Stat2	signal transducer and activator of transcription 2		
1426324_at	1.79	H2-Q10	histocompatibility 2, D region locus 1	} Antigen processing and presentation via MHC-I	
1430802_at	5.85	H2-Q8	histocompatibility 2, Q region locus 8		
1449875_s_at	3.05	H2-T10	histocompatibility 2, T region locus 10		
1422160_at	6.47	H2-T24	histocompatibility 2, T region locus 24		
1417189_at	2.03	Psme2	proteasome (prosome, macropain) 28 subunit, beta		
1416016_at	2.90	Tap1	transporter 1, ATP-binding cassette, sub-family B (MDR/TAP)		
1434268_at	2.58	Adar	adenosine deaminase, RNA-specific	} Regulation of transcription	
1450744_at	2.64	Eli2	elongation factor RNA polymerase II 2		
1451821_a_at	3.48	Sp100	nuclear antigen Sp100		
1425053_at	2.12	2610034N03Rik	isochorismatase domain containing 1	} Miscellaneous	
1435446_a_at	2.67	Chpt1	choline phosphotransferase 1		
1451426_at	11.86	D11Lgp2e	DNA segment, Chr 11, Lothar Hennighausen 2, expressed		
1417314_at	50.13	H2-Bf	histocompatibility 2, complement component factor B		
1422433_s_at	-1.78	Idh1	isocitrate dehydrogenase 1 (NADP+), soluble		
1421207_at	2.94	Lif	leukemia inhibitory factor		
1452178_at	6.04	Plec1	plectin 1		
1434015_at	3.30	Slc2a6	solute carrier family 2 (facilitated glucose transporter), member 6		
1417961_a_at	8.49	Trim30	tripartite motif protein 30		
1421550_a_at	5.98	Trim34	tripartite motif protein 34		
1418191_at	7.15	Usp18	ubiquitin specific peptidase 18		

Table 4.3 – Profiling IFN inducible gene expression levels in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

GeneChip profiles for type I IFN genes were calculated using the GCRMA algorithm and all genes displayed have a p value ≤ 0.05 . Fold change indicates the degree of differential regulation in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (positive value indicates up-regulation and negative value indicates down-regulation). Displayed values for each gene is an average of three biological replicates.

Another cluster includes the cytokines and chemokines (CXCL10, IL12b) and the type I IFN pathway genes (IRF-7, STAT-1, STAT-2 and Isgf3g). As shown in table 4.3, these genes are significantly up regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs. The expression of STAT-1, CXCL10 and IL-12b (IL12p40) was verified using real time PCR, as shown previously in figure 4.5.

From the list of genes, it is evident that an array of type I IFN pathway genes are highly up regulated (Table 4.3). A cartoon representation of the type I IFN pathway and the genes exhibiting differential regulation are illustrated in figure 4.7. The expression of IFN beta, IFN alpha, IRF-3 and type I IFN receptors (IFNAR1 and IFNAR2) were not significantly represented in the microarray data and thus not represented in figure 4.7.

Thus, the significant up regulation of type I IFN inducible genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs, strongly indicates induction of the type I IFN pathway as part of the cellular response of BMDCs in response to infection.

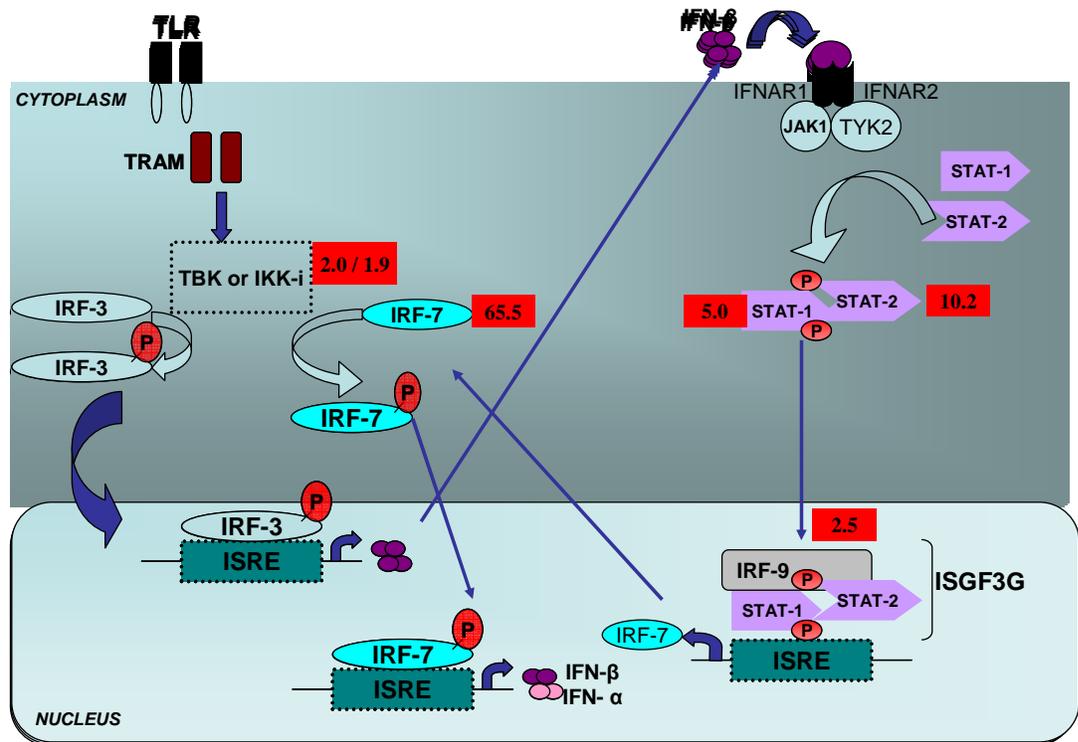


Figure 4.7 – Schematic representation of the type I IFN pathway depicting expression of type I IFN pathway genes induced in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

Expression of type I IFN pathway genes were extracted from microarray data. All the genes displayed have a fold change of ≥ 1.4 and a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

- Up regulated genes

4.7-Validation of selected type I IFN pathway genes using real time PCR

Real time PCR was used for the validation of type I IFN pathway gene expression, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs. IFNAR1, IFNAR2, IFN beta and IRF-3 were not significantly represented in the microarray data and hence the expression of these genes was quantified using real time PCR. The expression of IRF-7 was confirmed using real time PCR because IRF-7 is considered to be a “master regulator” of the type I IFN response induced during viral infections (Honda, Yanai et al. 2005) and IRF-7 was additionally, up regulated during *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs (Table 4.3).

To extend the gene expression analysis, day 6 unsorted BMDCs were either left uninfected or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1 and RNA was isolated at 4 and 24 hours post infection. Using cDNA generated from 4 hours and 24 hours post-infection, it was possible to quantitatively assess the gene expression across two different time points. The time point 4 hours was chosen to represent an early time point of interferon beta induction (Remoli, Giacomini et al. 2002) and 24 hours correlated with the time point of microarray analysis.

The expression of IFNAR1, IFN beta, IRF-3 and IRF-7 was detected at 24 hours, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection and in addition, the expression of IFNAR1, IFNAR2 and IRF-3 was down regulated at 4 hours in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Figure 4.8). Nevertheless, the expression IFN beta and IRF-7 increased over a period of time as shown in figure 4.8.

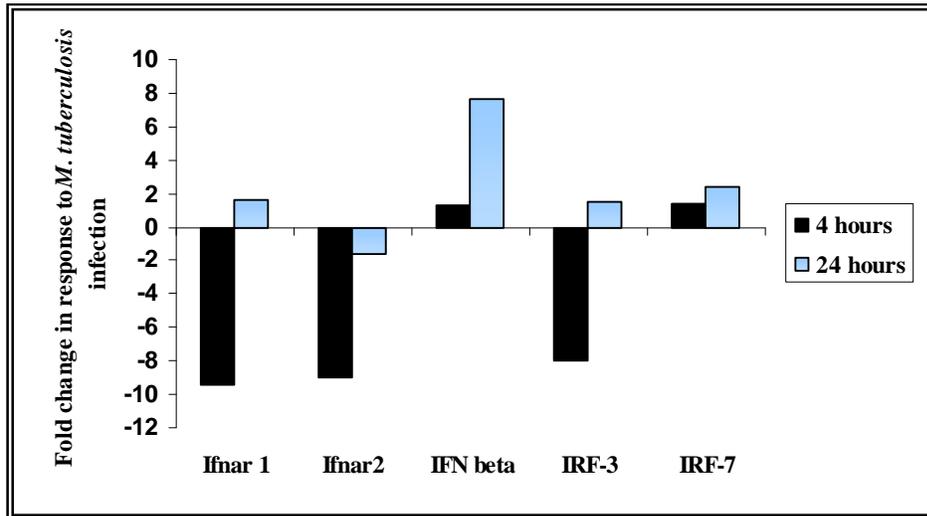


Figure 4.8 – Time course analysis of selected type I IFN pathway genes

RNA was extracted from unsorted BMDCs at 4 hours and 24 hours post-infection, converted to cDNA and real-time PCR was performed using the SYBR green detection method. Each gene was normalised to the internal control 18S rRNA. Fold induction of each gene, in response to infection, was calculated relative to its normalised value in the uninfected sample. Data is representative of 2 independent experiments.

4.8- Quantifying IFN beta levels in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

IFN beta is one of the type I IFNs and is a by-product of the type I IFN pathway. This cytokine also plays a key role in the induction of the feedback loop mechanism, leading to the amplification of type I IFN responses (Stark, Kerr et al. 1998). Day 6 unsorted BMDCs, were either stimulated with LPS (1µg/ml) or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1 and at various time points post-infection supernatants were collected and the amount of IFN beta was measured using ELISA.

As shown in figure 4.9, IFN beta is secreted from BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, albeit at lower levels compared to LPS stimulation, between 6-72 hours. The amount of IFN beta produced in response to infection peaks at 24 hours (60 ± 7.3 pg/ml) and then slightly decreases at later time points post-infection, whereas the production of IFN beta was detected as early as 6 hours (545 ± 1.3 pg/ml) in response to LPS stimulation. In contrast, significant production of IFN beta was not detected until 24 hours, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

At 24 hours post-infection, there is a clear correlation between the secretion of IFN beta (Figure 4.9) and up regulation of its transcript (Figure 4.8).

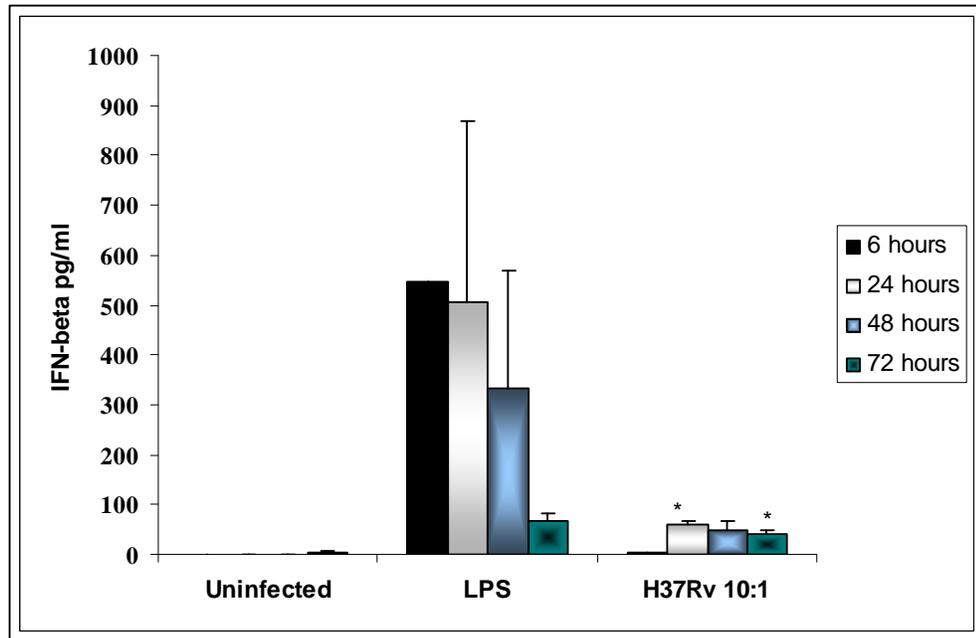


Figure 4.9 – Quantifying IFN beta secretion in the supernatants of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

BMDCs were cultured *in vitro* and day 6 unsorted cells were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1. Supernatants were collected at various time points post-infection for the quantification of IFN beta using ELISA. Results are the mean of \pm SE of 3 independent experiments. Statistical analysis was performed between *M. tuberculosis* infected group and uninfected group with the Student's t-test, *- p value <0.05.

4.9- RT profiler PCR expression profiles of type I IFN inducible genes in CD11c sorted BMDCs

To extend the analysis and obtain a more comprehensive list of type I IFN inducible genes, real time PCR was carried out as described in the materials and methods (section 2.5.2), using the RT profiler PCR array on a population of dendritic cells that was $95 \pm 3\%$ CD11c⁺. This process also allowed for further validation of the type I IFN inducible genes in a sorted population of dendritic cells, thus excluding the possible influence of contaminating cell types.

4.9.1- Expression of type I IFN inducible genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs (CD11c sorted)

BMDCs were sorted using CD11c magnetic beads and either left uninfected or H37Rv infected at a M.O.I of 10:1. RNA was isolated 24 hours post-infection and real time PCR was carried out the SYBR green method utilising the RT profiler PCR array system. All genes were normalised to the house keeping gene, GAPDH.

IFN inducible genes were divided into 4 gene clusters and the gene expression profiles are displayed in figures 4.10 and 4.11. Interferons and interferon related genes (Figure 4.10) were up regulated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Exceptions to this statement include IL-4, IFN alpha 7 (Ifna7) and IFN alpha 11 (Ifna11), which were down regulated in response to infection. Multiple sub-types of IFN-alpha (ifna2, ifna4, ifna9) were up regulated in response to infection but this cytokine was not detected in the supernatants of infected BMDCs using ELISA. The role of all the different IFN alpha sub-types in dendritic cells is not yet fully understood. However, IFNa2 is known to induce CXCL9 and CXCL10 production from monocyte derived dendritic cells (Padovan, Spagnoli et al. 2002). Both of these chemokines were significantly up regulated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection in BMDCs (Figure 4.4).

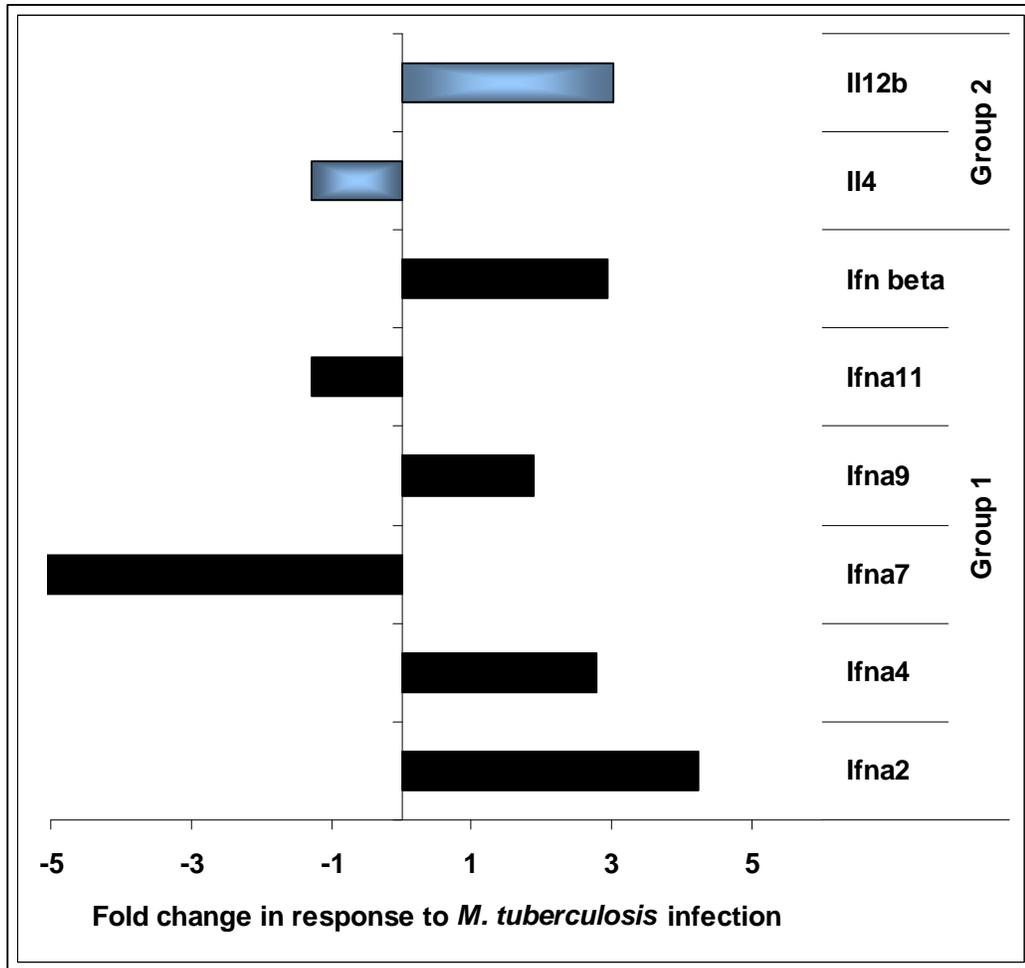


Figure 4.10- Real-time PCR expression profiles of IFN genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

RNA was isolated from CD11c sorted uninfected BMDCs and *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs, converted to cDNA and real-time PCR was performed using RT profiler PCR array. Expression of individual interferon genes were normalised to the house keeping gene GAPDH. Fold change of a gene in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection relative to the uninfected sample is displayed. Genes were grouped into functional clusters: Group 1- type I Interferons, Group 2- Interferon related genes

The expression of interferon regulatory factor family (group 3) and IFN inducible genes (group 4) were also assayed and most of the genes from these clusters were up regulated in response to infection. Cellular immune response genes *Ifit1*, *Ifit2* and *G1p2* are significantly up regulated in response to infection. All the assayed IRFs were up regulated in response to infection with the exception of IRF-2 and IRF2bp2. IRF-2, described as a negative regulator of many type I IFN responsive genes is down regulated in response to infection. The co-repressors of IRF-2: *Irf2bp1* and *Irf2bp2* show contrasting levels of expression. It has been demonstrated that binding of *Irf2bp1* (up regulated by 1.08 fold) is sufficient for minimal IRF-2 repression (Childs and Goodbourn 2003).

Quantification of type I IFN inducible genes using real-time PCR in CD11c sorted BMDCs, also made it possible to confirm the microarray analysis carried out using unsorted BMDCs (Figure 4.12). This provided an additional level of confirmation, of the IFN signature, that is observed in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Gene expression data obtained for *CXCL10*, *Ifi44*, *Ifit1*, *Ifit2*, *IL12b* (*IL12p40*) and *IRF-7* was similar from both microarray analysis and real-time PCR (from CD11c sorted BMDCs). Although, the fold change values obtained using microarrays were much higher than that obtained using real time PCR (Figure 4.12).

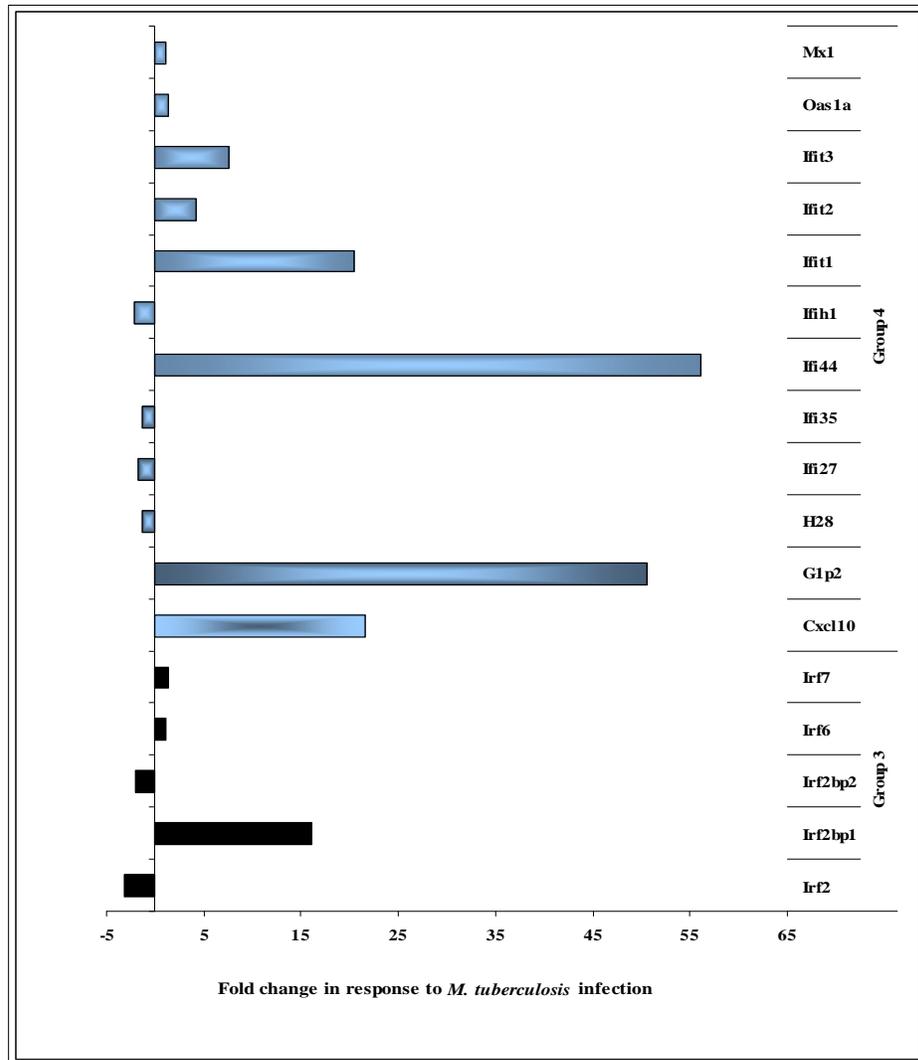


Figure 4.11- Real time PCR expression profiles of IFN induced genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

RNA was isolated from CD11c sorted uninfected BMDCs and *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs, converted to cDNA and real-time PCR was performed using RT profiler PCR array. Expression levels of individual interferon genes were normalised to the house keeping gene GAPDH. Fold change of a gene in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection relative to the uninfected sample is displayed. Genes were grouped into functional clusters: Group 3- Interferon regulatory factors, Group 4- Interferon inducible genes.

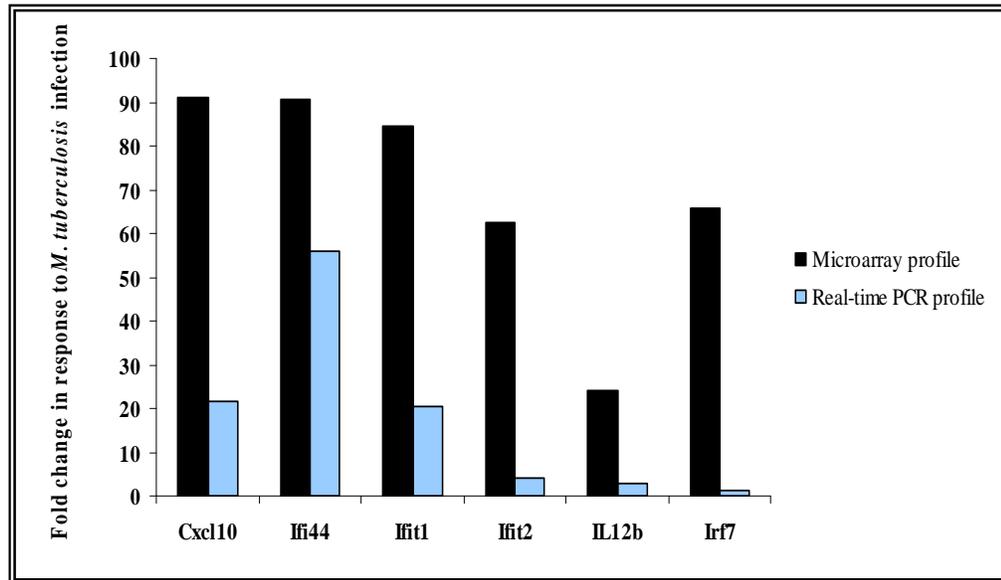


Figure 4.12 – Quantitative real-time PCR and microarray gene expression profiles of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

RNA was extracted from CD11c sorted BMDCs 24 hour's post- infection, converted to cDNA and gene expression values as indicated were measured, by SYBR Green incorporation during PCR. For real time PCR, the expression of each gene was normalized to the internal control, GAPDH. Results obtained using real time PCR for each gene was compared with the fold induction values obtained using microarray analysis.

4.10- Discussion

Using high density oligonucleotide arrays, genes differentially expressed in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs, were identified. This global approach identified 522 genes that were up regulated and 163 genes which were down regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs. A complete list of the differentially regulated genes, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, is listed in Appendix- VII. These differentially regulated genes were, in large part, related to regulation of immune responses, signal transduction, cell adhesion and membrane transport. Specifically, the TLR signalling, JAK-STAT signalling and cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction pathways, were among the most significantly represented cellular response pathways in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

Gene expression profiling revealed that BMDCs down regulated phagocytic receptors (mannose receptor and CD209a). CD209a is reported to be involved in the recognition of ManLAM from virulent mycobacteria leading to the increased production of IL-10. Thus, it is believed that engagement of this receptor could result in interfering with dendritic cell based host immune response thus enhancing the survival of the pathogen (van Kooyk and Geijtenbeek 2003). It seems contradictory that dendritic cells, which are efficient in taking up antigens, would down regulate phagocytic receptors and thus their phagocytic capacity in response to a pathogen like *M. tuberculosis*. This phenomenon is possibly explained by the fact, that when dendritic cells are activated by TLR ligands, there is a short burst in the uptake of antigens, which is followed by a long term down regulation of endocytic capacity, which coincides with maturation of dendritic cells (West, Wallin et al. 2004). Activated dendritic cells become efficient antigen presenting cells as opposed to effective phagocytic cells.

M. tuberculosis infection of BMDCs induced the expression of a large number of cytokine and chemokine genes. CXCL9 (up regulated 81.27 fold) and CXCL10 (up regulated 91.05 fold) are ligands for the receptor CXCR3 and are involved in preferentially attracting CXCR3⁺ T cells to the site of infection (Lande, Giacomini et al. 2003). It has been previously shown that CXCL5, CXCL2 and CCL4 were more prominent in the lungs of mice challenged with *M. bovis* PPD beads. It is possible that secretion of chemokines CXCL2 (up regulated

by 5.4 fold) and CXCL5 (up regulated by 11.9 fold), which are known neutrophil chemoattractants, preferentially attract neutrophils to the site of infection (Chiu, Freeman et al. 2004).

Mature dendritic cells up regulate co-stimulatory molecules Tnfrsf5 (up regulated 12.5 fold) and CD86 (up regulated 3.5 fold), thus performing a critical role of providing co-stimulatory signals for the activation of T cells. Induction of inflammatory cytokines, like TNF- α (up regulated 6.4 fold) required for the integrity of the granuloma during mycobacterial infection and IL-12 (up regulated by a factor of 23.95 fold), which has been associated with the development of host Th-1 immunity and production of IFN- γ , represents a key part of the host immune response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. The up regulation of cytokines has also been substantiated at the protein level. In response to infection, there was increased production of both IL-12 and TNF- α at the protein level by BMDCs (Figures 3.4 and 3.6). The down regulation of phagocytic receptors and increased inflammatory cytokine production (both at the mRNA and protein levels), implies that BMDCs are activated in response to infection. This is accordance with previous reports that demonstrate activation of human dendritic cells in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Henderson, Watkins et al. 1997).

To extend the microarray analysis, a bioinformatics approach was used (TELiS), to identify the transcription factors regulating the changes in gene expression profiles. Binding motifs members of the NF κ B family of transcription factors (NF κ B p65, CREL), one of the most well documented transcription factors, which plays multiple roles in innate immune responses were significantly over represented in the promoters. TELiS also identified the transcription factor binding motif ISRE, which is a DNA binding motif for the IRF family of transcription factors. IRFs are known to have a principal role in the induction of type I IFN genes (Honda and Taniguchi 2006). Significant representation of NF κ B and IRF binding motifs, suggests that these two transcription factors play a key role in regulating gene expression in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

Since it was demonstrated that IRF binding sites were significantly represented in the promoters of differentially regulated genes, this was used as the

basis for the subsequent mining of type I IFN inducible genes from the microarray data. The function of type I IFNs has been well documented during viral infection but increasingly it has become clear that type I IFNs play a role in bacterial infections (Stetson and Medzhitov 2006). *M. tuberculosis* infection of human dendritic cells resulted in induction of early IFN beta production followed by a delayed IFN alpha production (Remoli, Giacomini et al. 2002). An array of type I IFN inducible genes and genes which are components of the type I IFN pathway including IRF-7, STAT-1, STAT-2 and Isgf3g, were significantly up regulated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs. IRF-7, known as the “master regulator of the type I IFN response” (Honda, Yanai et al. 2005) and the components of the ISGF3 complex (STAT-1, STAT-2, Isgf3g) which is responsible for initiating the transcription of IFN inducible genes were all up regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

Although the expression of IFN alpha and IFN beta was confirmed using real time PCR (Figure 4.10) in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs, only IFN beta was detected at the protein level with maximum production at 24 hours post infection (Figure 4.9). The differential expression of IFNAR possibly represents a mechanism by which dendritic cells modulate their responsiveness to different sub-type of type I IFNs (Severa, Remoli et al. 2006). The observed down regulation of these receptors at early time points is linked with their maturation status, as it has been previously that LPS matured human dendritic cells, down regulate IFNAR1 and IFNAR2 as early as 4 hours post-stimulation (Gauzzi, Canini et al. 2002).

Similarly, the effect of down regulation of IRF-3 at 4 hours post-infection and then the up regulation at 24 hours (Figure 4.8) on dendritic cell responses is unclear. IRF-3 is thought to be mainly responsible for the initial induction of the IFN beta gene, whereas IRF-7 is involved in the late phase of IFN induction. In this study, down regulation of IRF-3 at 4 hours post-infection has no effect on the induction of IFN beta, which is up regulated by 4 hours in *M. tuberculosis*, infected BMDCs (Figure 4.8).

The role of type I IFNs during mycobacterial infection remains unresolved. Previous studies have shown that hypervirulent, Beijing strains of mycobacteria, produce high levels of type I IFNs, which was associated with the failure to stimulate Th-1 type immunity (Manca, Tsenova et al. 2001). It has also been demonstrated that, IFN (alpha and beta) receptor knock-out mice have less bacterial loads in the spleens compared to wild-type mice and thus, type I IFNs was suggested to have a role in promoting mycobacterial growth (Stanley, Johndrow et al. 2007). In contrast, other studies have shown that type I IFNs may facilitate a protective inflammatory response as it is required for the expression of CXCL10, a known activator of NK and T cell recruitment (Lande, Giacomini et al. 2003). The up regulation of an array of type I IFN inducible genes in this study, strongly indicates the induction of the type I IFN pathway, as an integral part of the dendritic cell based response to *M. tuberculosis*.

Neutrophil specific genes including neutrophil elastase 2, myeloperoxidase, neutrophil specific defensin and neutrophil cytosolic factor 2 showed no significant change in expression in the microarray dataset in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. In addition, key observations with the type I IFN family of genes were confirmed using CD11c⁺ sorted cells and thus it can be concluded, that the observed gene expression changes are a consequence of dendritic cell based responses to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

In figure 4.13, a summary of the key responses of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs is illustrated. As shown by microarray, real time PCR and bioinformatic analysis, the type I IFN pathway and IFN inducible genes were significantly induced by BMDCs in response to infection. Overall, the transcriptome of dendritic cells reveal a shift towards and inflammation and immune related functions in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

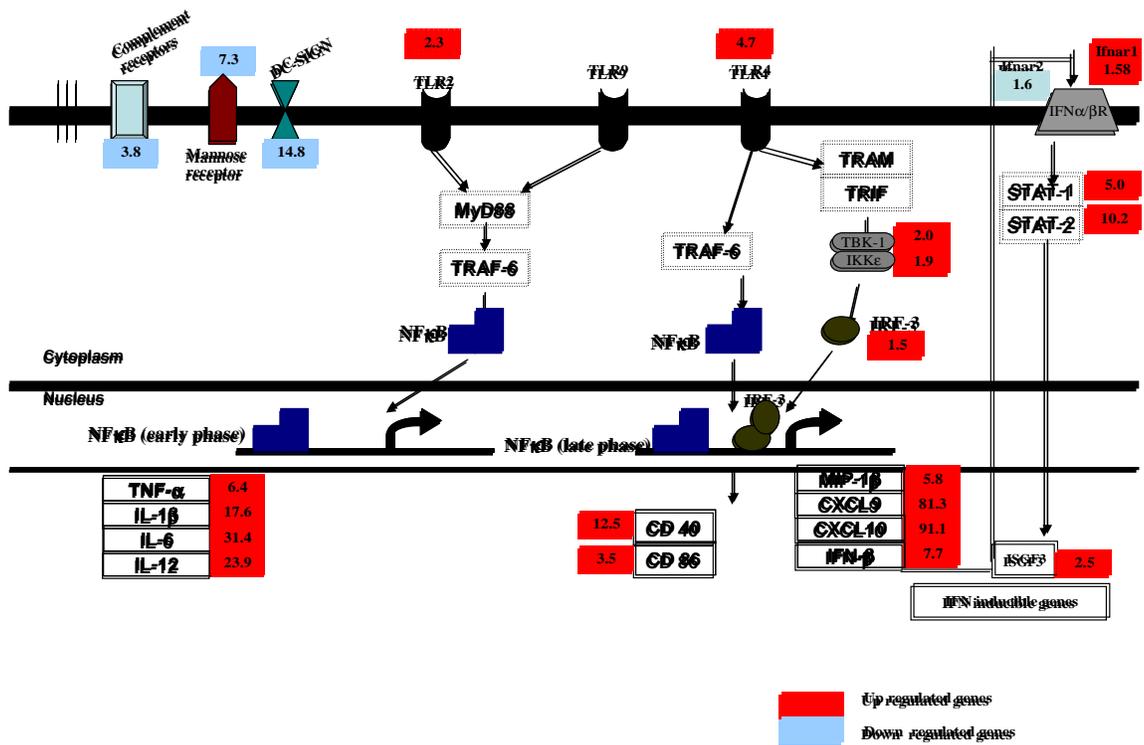


Figure 4.13- Overall schematics of differentially expressed immune response and signal transduction genes in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (24 hours post-infection)

Data was mined from microarray and real-time PCR data.

Chapter 5

Profiling transcriptional responses of *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

5.1- Introduction

In response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, an array of different signalling pathways which incorporated TLR signalling pathway and type I IFN pathway were differentially regulated (as described in chapter 4). Most TLRs signal through MyD88, a critical adaptor in the TLR signalling pathway but TLR4 is also able to signal via a MyD88 independent pathway utilising additional adaptors TRAM and TRIF. In addition, LPS stimulation of MyD88 deficient macrophages has identified a number of IFN inducible genes like IP-10 and GARG16 which are induced in a MyD88 independent manner (Kawai, Takeuchi et al. 2001). We hypothesised that *M. tuberculosis* infection could similarly induce the production of type I IFNs and IFN inducible genes independent of MyD88 in dendritic cells.

To test the hypothesis, microarrays were used to analyse the expression of genes that were differentially induced in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. MyD88^{-/-} mice possess a disrupted MyD88 gene (Adachi, Kawai et al. 1998). Bone marrow from these mice was used as the source of dendritic cells, to study the MyD88 independent induction of type I IFNs, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Day 6 unsorted MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs were infected with H37Rv (M.O.I 10:1) and 24 hours later, RNA was extracted as described in the material and methods (section 2.4.1). The uninfected BMDC group served as the control for the experiments. The analysis of the microarray data was carried out as previously described for the analysis of the wild-type BMDCs microarray data (chapter 4, section 4.1).

In this chapter, expression of co-stimulatory molecules and production of inflammatory cytokines by MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection are described first, followed by the gene expression profiles of *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, as determined by microarray analysis.

5.2- Expression of co-stimulatory molecules and MHC-II by MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection

BMDCs were generated in the presence of GM-CSF as described in the materials and methods (section 2.3.1). BMDCs were gated on FSC vs SSC and were 68 ±6% CD11c⁺. As shown in figure 5.1, BMDCs generated from MyD88^{-/-} mice expressed 74.42 ±4% CD80, 36.54 ±4% CD86 and 10.50 ±3% MHC-II in the absence of microbial stimulation. Two populations of BMDCs are observed at day 6, the first population which is CD80^{low} CD86^{low} and the second population which is CD80^{mid/high} CD86^{mid/high}, as depicted in the histograms (Figures 5.1, A and B). The basal expression of MHC-II was lower in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs compared to wild-type mice (Figure 5.1 and Figure 3.1). Thus, BMDCs from MyD88^{-/-} mice displayed an immature phenotype, with low expression levels of co-stimulatory and MHC-II molecules.

In order to determine whether these immature dendritic cells are capable of being activated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, day 6 BMDCs were either left uninfected (negative control), stimulated with LPS (positive control) or infected with H37Rv (M.O.I 10:1) and 24 hours later, the up regulation of activation markers was measured using flow cytometry. In response to infection BMDCs up regulated the expression of CD80 to 83.09 ±1.76%, CD86 to 81.12 ±1.71% and MHC-II to 74.15 ±11.4% and a similar degree of up regulation was observed in response to LPS stimulation (Figure 5.2, A, B and C). The expression of CD80, CD86 and MHC-II observed in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs was similar to wild-type BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Figure 5.2, A, B, C and Figure 3.3, A, B, C).

Hence, MyD88^{-/-} dendritic cells are activated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, with the degree of activation similar to that observed in wild-type BMDCs.

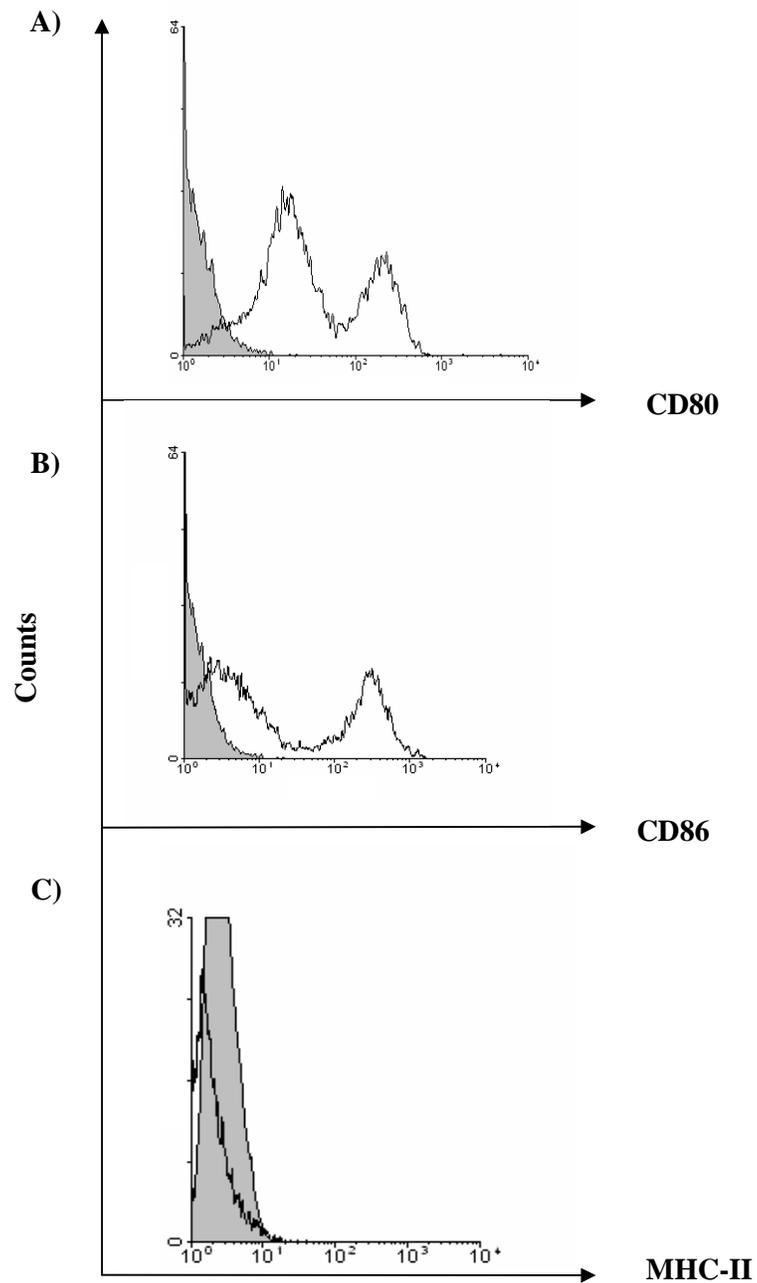


Figure 5.1- Expression of CD80, CD86 and MHC-II on MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

BMDCs were generated from MyD88^{-/-} bone marrow cells by culturing in medium containing GM-CSF for 6 days. The expression of A) CD11c CD80 B) CD11c CD86 and C) CD11c MHC-II were analysed using flow cytometry. Data is representative of 3 independent experiments.

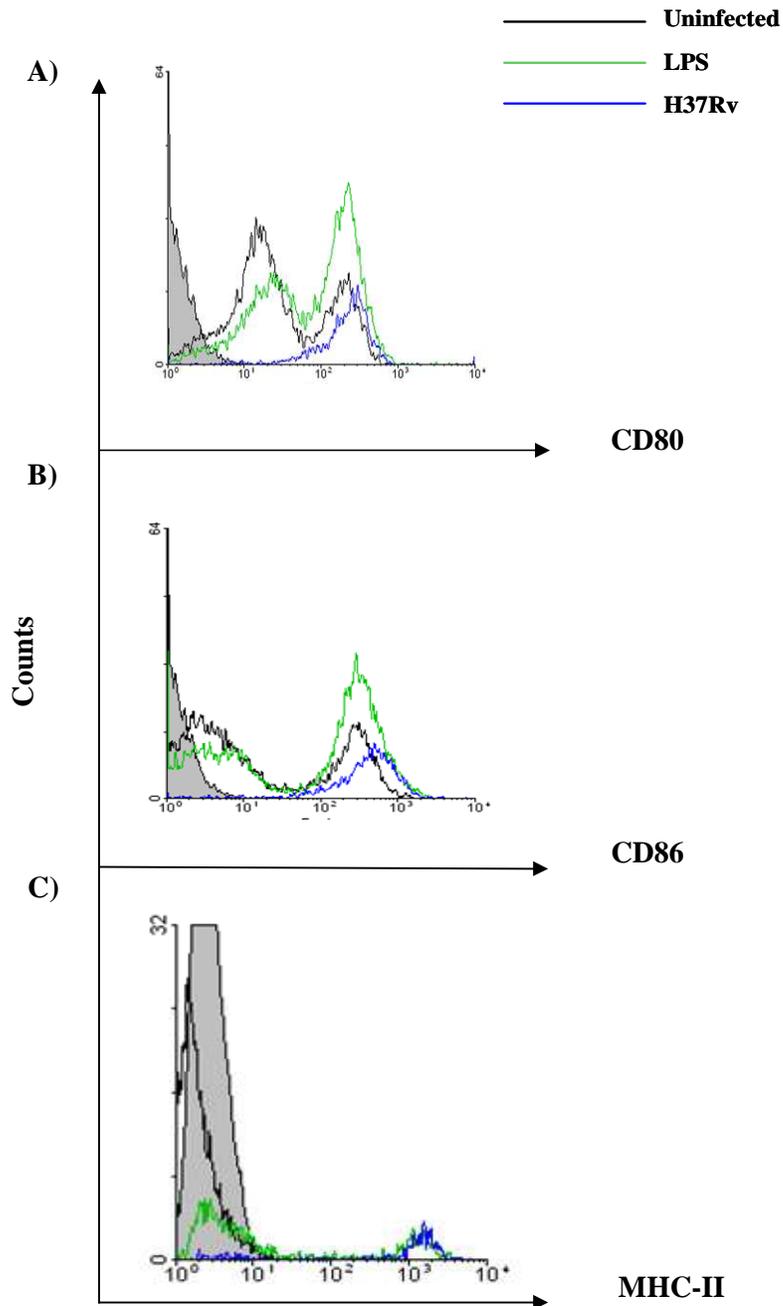


Figure 5.2- Up regulation of co-stimulatory and MHC-II by MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

Day 6 BMDCs were either LPS stimulated (1 μ g/ml), infected with H37Rv (M.O.I 10:1) or left uninfected and the expression of A) CD80 B) CD86 and C)MHC-II were assessed 24 hours later, using flow cytometry. The gray filled histograms represent isotype control staining. Data is representative of 3 independent experiments.

5.3- Analysis of inflammatory cytokine production by MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection

In order to evaluate the production of inflammatory cytokines by MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, day 6 BMDCs were uninfected, stimulated with LPS (positive control) or infected with H37Rv 10:1 and supernatants were collected at various time points post-infection (6-72 hours).

5.3.1- Impaired production of TNF- α and IL-6 by MyD88^{-/-} *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

M. tuberculosis infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs induced production of cytokines (IL-6 and TNF- α) as shown in figure 5.3. However, cytokine production was severely impaired in response to infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in comparison to wild-type BMDCs (Figure 3.4). TNF- α production by *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs increased over time and subsequently decreased by 72 hours post infection (Figure 5.3, A). A similar trend was observed for IL-6 production, in response to infection and LPS stimulation (Figure 5.3, B). Uninfected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs produced negligible amounts of TNF- α and IL-6.

Interestingly, the production of TNF- α and IL-6 was delayed in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs with a maximum production at 48 hours post-infection (Figure 5.3); in comparison, production of these cytokines from wild-type BMDCs were detected by 6 hours, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Figure 3.4). In addition, at all the time points examined there was considerably higher production of TNF- α and IL-6 by wild-type BMDCs infected with *M. tuberculosis* in comparison to MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Figures 3.4 and 5.3).

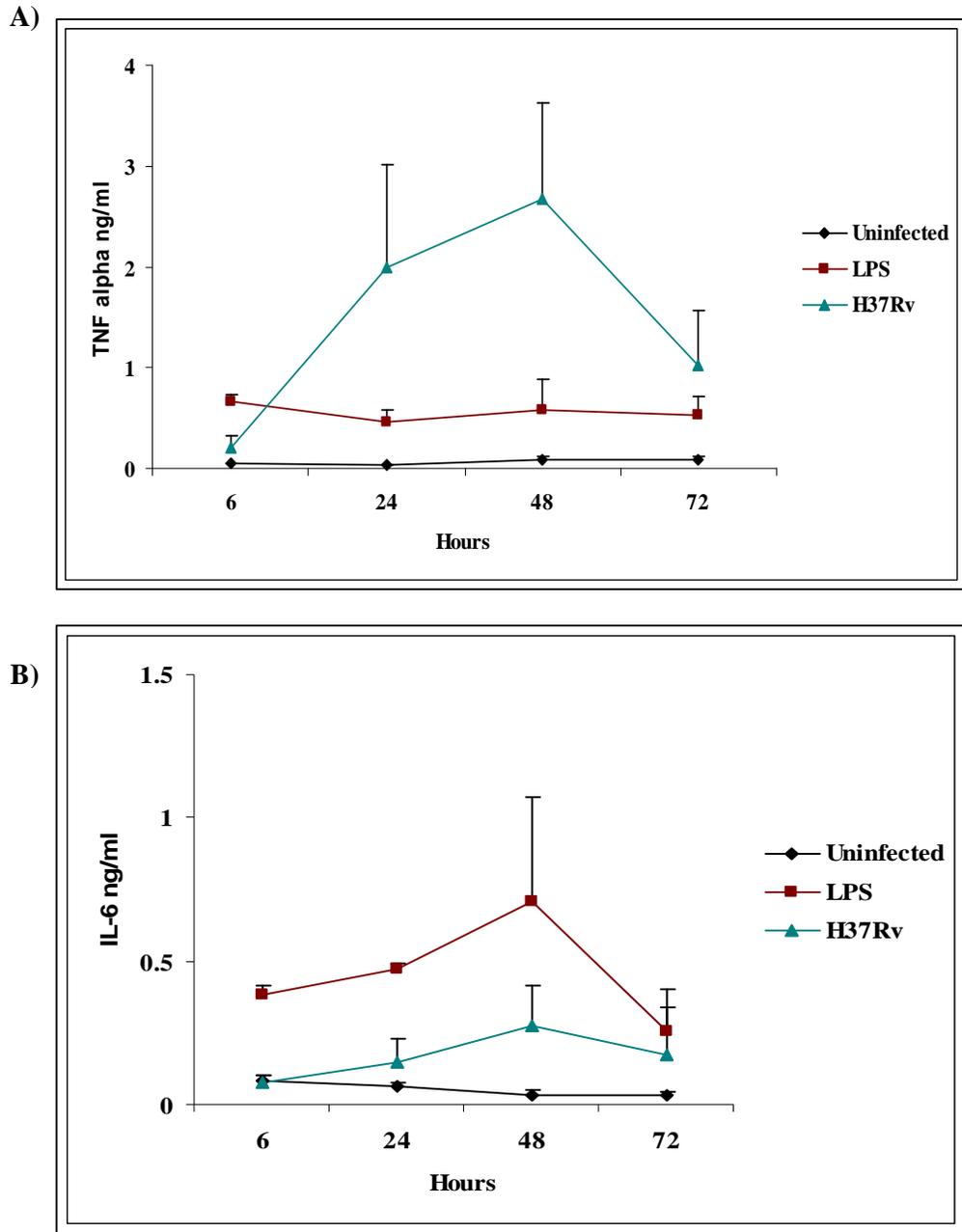


Figure 5.3- Production of TNF- α and IL-6 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

Day 6 unsorted BMDCs were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS (1 μ g/ml) or infected with H37Rv (M.O.I 10:1) and the production of **A)** TNF- α and **B)** IL-6 was measured using ELISA. Results are the mean of \pm SE of 3 independent experiments.

5.3.2- Production of IL-12p40 by MyD88^{-/-} *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

IL-12p40 was produced by 24 hours in response to infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs and increased over the course of the experiment. But in the presence of LPS, IL-12p40 was produced steadily between 6-48 hours, with decreased production at later time points (72 hours) as shown in figure 5.4. In addition, the production of IL-12p40 by uninfected BMDCs also increased over the course of the experiment.

In contrast, wild-type BMDCs produced at least 3.2 fold higher IL-12p40 in comparison to MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs at 24 hours post infection. In general, the production of IL-12p40 by MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs followed a similar trend to that of the wild-type, although the level of IL-12p40 produced by wild-type BMDCs was higher than MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs at all the time points examined, in response to infection (Figure 5.4 and Figure 3.6).

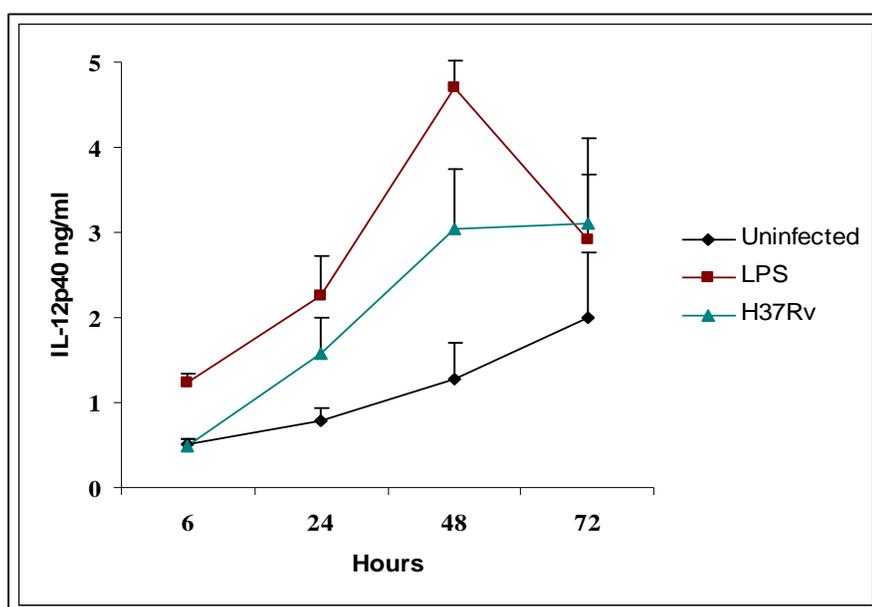


Figure 5.4- Production of IL-12p40 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

Day 6 unsorted BMDCs were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS (1 μ g/ml) or infected with H37Rv (M.O.I 10:1) and the production of IL-12p40 was measured using ELISA. Results are the mean of \pm SE of 3 independent experiments.

5.3.3- Absence of IL-12p70 and IL-10 production by *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

No measurable levels of IL-12p70 and IL-10 were detected in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection or stimulation with LPS. This is in contrast to wild-type BMDCs which produced IL-12p70 and IL-10 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Figures 3.5 and 3.6, A).

In conclusion, MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs are impaired in their production of cytokines. Furthermore, the secretion of TNF- α and IL-6 was delayed, with a complete absence of IL-12p70 and IL-10 production by MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

5.4- An overview of the KEGG biological pathways represented in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

In response to infection, 33 pathways were significantly represented in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs as identified from the microarray analysis. The top ten most significant pathways are listed in table 5.1. A more complete list of the highly represented KEGG pathways is listed in Appendix-V. Interestingly, the JAK-STAT signalling pathway, cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction and TLR signalling pathways were the most significantly represented in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection (Table 5.1), which is similar to the KEGG pathway data obtained from wild-type BMDCs in response to infection (Table 4.1).

In *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, biological pathways which are part of the immune response (B-cell receptor signalling pathway, T cell receptor signalling pathway, complement and coagulation cascades, leukocyte transendothelial migration), cell adhesion (focal adhesion) and other pathways (cell cycle, apoptosis) were highly represented (Table 5.1).

KEGG pathways	p-value
Jak-STAT signaling pathway	6.52E-11
Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction	1.02E-09
Toll-like receptor signaling pathway	7.45E-09
B cell receptor signaling pathway	1.97E-06
T cell receptor signaling pathway	1.05E-05
Complement and coagulation cascades	4.31E-05
Focal adhesion	1.32E-04
Leukocyte transendothelial migration	2.94E-04
Cell cycle	3.27E-04
Apoptosis	4.93E-04

Table 5.1 – List of the top 10 significant biological pathways identified from microarray analysis of *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

Genes which displayed differential regulation in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection were integrated within KEGG pathways. The p value indicates the statistical significance; the likelihood of the pathway being part of the cellular response generated by MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

5.5- Gene expression profiles of *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

From the list of KEGG biological pathways (Table 5.1), the 3 most significantly represented pathways (JAK-STAT pathway, TLR signalling pathway and cytokine- cytokine receptor interaction pathway) and phagocytic and pattern recognition receptors are described in more detail in the following sections. In the following sections, fold change of genes identified as having a significant change in expression denotes that the fold change is statistically significant, with a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

5.5.1- Differential expression of phagocytosis and pattern recognition receptors in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

In response to infection, components of the classical complement pathway (c1qa, c1qg, c1qb) and Fc γ receptors (Fcgr1, Fcgr2 and Fcgr3) were significantly down regulated in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Table 5.2, A). In contrast, C1qbp, which is involved in generating the first component of the serum complement system, is up regulated by a factor of 3.7 fold in response to infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. The pattern recognition receptors (TLR1, TLR6 and TLR7) were also down regulated in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection (Table 5.2, A). In comparison, these genes did not show a statistically significant change in expression, in wild-type BMDCs, in response to infection.

Nevertheless, phagocytic receptors (c1qr1 and mrc1) were down regulated in both wild-type and MyD88 deficient BMDCs by a factor of 3 fold or more, in response to infection (Table 5.2, B). Of interest, was the differential regulation of TLR2. TLR2 was up regulated by a factor of 2 fold in response to infection in wild-type BMDCs but down regulated by a factor of 5.6 fold in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Table 5.2, B).

The down regulation of TLR2 (Table 5.2, B) on MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs was in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection and does not correlate with the difference in expression on uninfected BMDCs (Figure 5.5). Furthermore, the basal expression of TLR2 was marginally higher in MyD88^{-/-} uninfected BMDCs (Figure 5.5).

In response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, MyD88 deficient BMDCs down regulate phagocytic receptors, which correlate with the down regulation of antigen uptake, as dendritic cells mature.

A)

Affymterix Id	Common name	Description	Fold change
1417381_at	C1qa	complement component 1, q subcomponent, alpha polypeptide	-180.83
1448274_at	C1qbp	complement component 1, q subcomponent binding protein	3.72
1417063_at	C1qb	complement component 1, q subcomponent, beta polypeptide	-751.88
1449401_at	C1qg	complement component 1, q subcomponent, gamma polypeptide	-353.36
1419482_at	C3ar1	complement component 3a receptor 1	-9.43
1436625_at	Fcgr1	Fc receptor, IgG, high affinity I	-7.75
1455332_x_at	Fcgr2b	Fc receptor, IgG, low affinity IIb	-4.17
1448620_at	Fcgr3	Fc receptor, IgG, low affinity III	-3.61
1449049_at	Tlr1	toll-like receptor 1	-5.52
1418162_at	Tlr4	toll-like receptor 4	-3.02
1421352_at	Tlr6	toll-like receptor 6	-7.57
1422010_at	Tlr7	toll-like receptor 7	-16.6

B)

Affymterix Id	Common name	Description	Fold change	
			Wild-type	MyD88 ^{-/-}
1419132_at	Tlr2	toll-like receptor 2	2.33	-5.68
1419589_at	C1qr1	complement component 1, q subcomponent, receptor 1	-3.83	-12.13
1450430_at	Mrc1	mannose receptor, C type 1	-14.85	-86.95

Table 5.2- Gene expression profiles of pattern recognition and phagocytic receptors A) significantly, differentially expressed in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs B) significantly, differentially expressed in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection.

Differentially regulated phagocytic and pattern recognition receptor genes were identified using the GCRMA algorithm and normalised fold change values in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, are displayed. Differentially regulated genes have a 1.4 fold change and a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

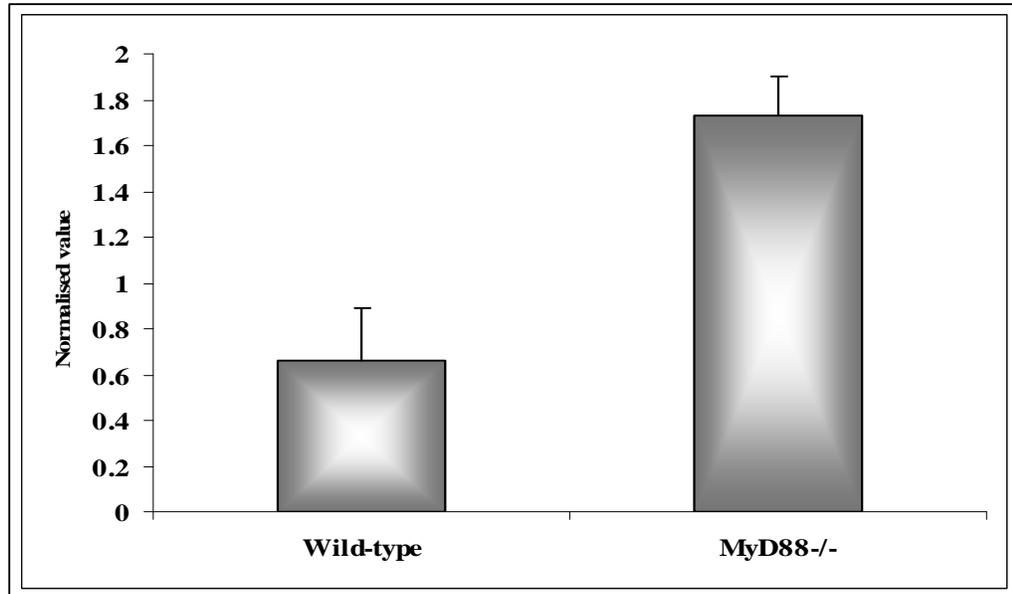


Figure 5.5- Basal expression of TLR 2 in wild-type and MyD88^{-/-}, uninfected BMDCs

Normalised TLR 2 values were obtained from microarray data. Results are an average of 3 independent experiments.

5.5.2- Differential expression of TLR signalling pathway genes *in*

M. tuberculosis infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

The expression of TLR signalling pathway genes, IRAK-4, LPS binding protein (LBP) were down regulated by a factor of >3 fold in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection (Table 5.3, A) and moreover, these genes did not display a statistically significant change in expression in wild-type infected BMDCs. Expression of Nfkb1 (subunit p50 of NFκB) , TRAF-6 and Ikbkg was up regulated by a factor of 2.6 fold or more in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, in response to infection. Ikbkg, also known as NEMO is the regulatory sub-unit of IκB kinase family and is involved in activating the NFκB complex (Akira and Takeda 2004).

Pik3r1 (p85 subunit) and CD86 (co-stimulatory molecule) were significantly up regulated by >2.5 fold in both wild-type and MyD88 deficient BMDCs in response to infection (Table 5.3, B). The up regulation of CD86 at the mRNA level correlates with increased expression of CD86 as determined by flow cytometry in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs infected with *M. tuberculosis* (Figure 5.2, B). The expression of Ikbke, an important component of the IFN mediated anti-viral responses is up regulated in wild-type BMDCs (1.95 fold) and down regulated (-3.98 fold) in MyD88 deficient BMDCs in response to infection (Table 5.3, B).

A)

Affymterix Id	Common name	Description	Fold change
1427691_at	Ifnar2	interferon (alpha and beta) receptor 2	-3.14
1435647_at	Ikbkg	inhibitor of kappaB kinase gamma	2.62
1451750_at	Irak4	interleukin-1 receptor-associated kinase 4	-5.98
1448550_at	Lbp	lipopolysaccharide binding protein	-7.57
1427705_at	Nfkb1	nuclear factor of kappa light chain gene	4.15
1435350_at	Traf6	Tnf receptor-associated factor 6	2.80

B)

Affymterix Id	Common name	Description	Fold change	
			Wild-type	MyD88 ^{-/-}
1420404_at	Cd86	CD86 antigen	3.52	15.06
1417813_at	Ikbke	inhibitor of kappaB kinase epsilon	1.95	-3.98
1425515_at	Pik3r1	phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase, regulatory subunit, polypeptide 1 (p85 alpha)	2.54	4.91

Table 5.3- Gene expression profiles of TLR pathway genes A) significantly, differentially expressed in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs B) significantly, differentially expressed in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection.

Differentially regulated TLR pathway genes were identified using the GCRMA algorithm and normalised fold change values in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection are displayed. Differentially regulated genes have a 1.4 fold change and a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

5.5.3- Differential expression of JAK-STAT signalling pathway genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

A number of negative regulators (miz-1, pias1 and SOCS 6) of the JAK-STAT signalling pathways were down regulated in infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Table 5.4, A), in contrast, other negative regulators of the JAK-STAT signalling pathway including cish and SOCS 3 were up regulated > than 4 fold in MyD88 deficient BMDCs, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Additionally, a number of members of the JAKs and STATs family were also up regulated (Table 5.4, A) in infected MyD88 deficient BMDCs.

SOCS 2, STAT-1 and STAT-2 were significantly represented in both wild-type and MyD88 deficient BMDCs in response to infection (Table 5.4, B). SOCS 2 is the only negative regulator of the JAK-STAT pathway that was significantly represented in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. SOCS 2, although a negative regulator of the JAK-STAT signalling pathway, is also known to be involved in enhancing STAT phosphorylation in response to cytokine treatment (Johnston 2004), thus it possible that SOCS 2 contributes to the delicate balance maintained in the induction of the JAK-STAT signalling pathway in response to infection.

A)

Affymerix Id	Common name	Description	Fold change
1448724_at	Cish	cytokine inducible SH2-containing protein	8.93
1421066_at	Jak2	Janus kinase 2	2.44
1428725_at	Miz1	protein inhibitor of activated STAT 2	-2.27
1455486_at	Pias1	protein inhibitor of activated STAT 1	-1.71
1456212_x_at	Socs3	suppressor of cytokine signaling 3	4.04
1452764_at	Socs6	suppressor of cytokine signaling 6	-4.78
1426587_a_at	Stat3	signal transducer and activator of transcription 3	2.38
1448713_at	Stat4	signal transducer and activator of transcription 4	5.38
1421469_a_at	Stat5a	signal transducer and activator of transcription 5A	4.9
1422103_a_at	Stat5b	signal transducer and activator of transcription 5B	2.1

B)

Affymerix Id	Common name	Description	Fold change	
			Wild-type	MyD88 ^{-/-}
1441476_at	Socs2	suppressor of cytokine signaling 2	2.19	5.43
1420915_at	Stat1	signal transducer and activator of transcription 1	5.09	3.24
1421911_at	Stat2	signal transducer and activator of transcription 2	10.22	4.32

Table 5.4- Gene expression profiles of JAK-STAT signalling pathway genes

A) significantly, differentially expressed in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs B) significantly, differentially expressed in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection.

Differentially regulated JAK-STAT signalling pathway genes were identified using the GCRMA algorithm and normalised fold change values in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection are displayed. Differentially regulated genes have a 1.4 fold change and a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

5.5.4- Differential expression of cytokine and chemokine genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

M. tuberculosis infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs significantly up regulated members of the CC family of chemokines (CCL17, CCL22) and CXC family (CXCL16) by a > 3 fold (Table 5.5, A). Down regulation of chemokine receptors CCR5 (-3.93 fold) and up regulation of CXCR4 (3.47 fold) signifies the transition of BMDCs from an immature to mature state (Allavena, Sica et al. 2000). Anti-inflammatory cytokines IL-4 and Tgfb2 were up regulated in MyD88 deficient BMDCs in response to infection. In contrast, the expression of IL-4 was down regulated in wild-type BMDCs, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, as shown by real-time PCR (Figure 4.10).

Other chemokines including, CXCL1, CXCL9 and CXCL10 and cytokines (IL12b, IL-6, Lif) were up regulated in both wild-type and MyD88 deficient BMDCs in response to infection (Table 5.5, B). Furthermore, the change in gene expression of CXCL9, CXCL10 and IL12b was considerably reduced in MyD88 deficient BMDCs (Table 5.5, B). But the reduced expression of CXCL10 at the mRNA levels is not reflected at the protein level, as in response to infection, MyD88 deficient BMDCs produce similar levels of CXCL10 to wild-type BMDCs (Figures 5.6 and 4.6). However, the reduced expression of IL12b (IL-12p40), as shown in table 5.5, B, correlates with the reduced IL-12p40 production from MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection (Figure 5.4).

Expression of genes (mRNA expression) does not always correlate with protein expression. This is highlighted by the expression of IL-6 (up regulated by 89 fold) in MyD88 deficient BMDCs in response to infection, as shown in table 5.5, B. This up regulation of IL-6 is not representative of the small amounts of IL-6, that are produced at 24 hours post-infection in infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Figure 5.3, B).

A)

Affymerix Id	Common name	Description	Fold change
1419413_at	Ccl17	chemokine (C-C motif) ligand 17	21.53
1417925_at	Ccl22	chemokine (C-C motif) ligand 22	3.54
1419610_at	Ccr1	chemokine (C-C motif) receptor 1	-12.7
1421188_at	Ccr2	chemokine (C-C motif) receptor 2	-55.8
1422259_a_at	Ccr5	chemokine (C-C motif) receptor 5	-3.93
1449195_s_at	Cxcl16	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 16	6.78
1448995_at	Cxcl4	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 4	-3.11
1448710_at	Cxcr4	chemokine (C-X-C motif) receptor 4	3.47
1417932_at	Il18	interleukin 18	-4.54
1449864_at	Il4	interleukin 4	12.4
1450923_at	Tgfb2	transforming growth factor, beta 2	3.64

B)

Affymerix Id	Common name	Description	Fold change	
			Wild-type	MyD88 ^{-/-}
1441855_x_at	Cxcl1	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 1	2.46	2.65
1418930_at	Cxcl10	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 10	91.05	7.22
1418652_at	Cxcl9	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 9	81.27	12.14
1449497_at	Il12b	interleukin 12b	23.95	12.24
1448681_at	Il15ra	interleukin 15 receptor, alpha chain	5.21	5.46
1450297_at	Il-6	interleukin 6	31.49	89.89
1421207_at	Lif	leukemia inhibitory factor	2.94	10.46
1425444_a_at	Tgfb2	transforming growth factor, beta receptor II	-1.99	-5.55

Table 5.5- Gene expression profiles of cytokine and chemokine genes A) significantly, differentially expressed in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs B) significantly, differentially expressed in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection.

Differentially regulated cytokine and chemokine genes were identified using the GCRMA algorithm and normalised fold change values in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection are displayed. Differentially regulated genes have a 1.4 fold change and a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

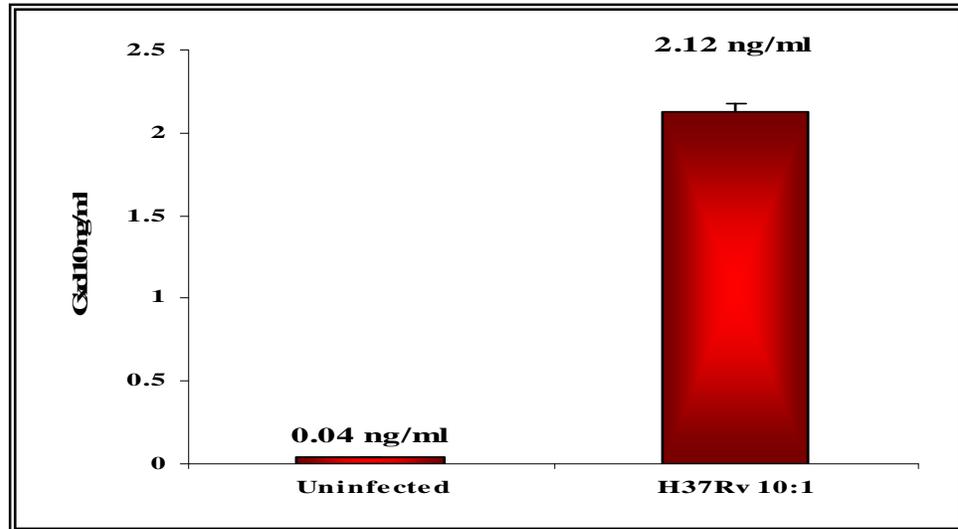


Figure 5.6- CXCL10 production by *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs at 24 hours post-infection

Day 6 unsorted BMDCs were either left uninfected or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1. Supernatants were collected at 24 hours and CXCL10 were quantified by ELISA. Data shown are the mean \pm SD of duplicate determinations in one experiment, representative of three independent experiments.

In conclusion, the up regulation of co-stimulatory molecules and chemokines in the absence of MyD88, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, suggest that BMDCs retain their ability to migrate in response to infection and function as efficient T cell stimulators. A complete list of the differentially regulated genes, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, in the absence of MyD88, is listed in Appendix- VIII.

5.6- Validation of microarray data from *M. tuberculosis* MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs using real-time PCR

To confirm expression of a set of immunologically important genes, real time PCR was carried out as described previously (chapter 2, section 2.5.1). Briefly, RNA was extracted from day 6 unsorted MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, which were either uninfected or infected with *M. tuberculosis*. RNA was extracted at 24 hours post-infection to correlate with the time point of microarray analysis. Expression of individual genes was normalised to the internal control, 18S rRNA. The expression of cytokines (IL-10, IL-12p35 and TNF) was not detected by microarray analysis, however, these genes are important during mycobacterial infections (Cooper, Magram et al. 1997; Roach, Bean et al. 2002; Turner, Gonzalez-Juarrero et al. 2002) and thus the expression of these genes were quantified using real-time PCR. The expression of TLR 2 and TLR 4 were down regulated in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, which is in contrast to the data obtained from wild-type BMDCs and thus to confirm this interesting observation, the expression of these genes were verified using real-time PCR.

Gene expression data obtained using real-time PCR and microarrays are displayed in figure 5.7. Cytokine and chemokine genes displayed a modest increase in expression levels in response to infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs as quantified using real time PCR (Figure 5.7, A). Although, the expression of IL-6 was increased by a factor of 89 fold, as determined from the microarray analysis, a much smaller increase in expression (3 fold) was detected using real-time PCR (Figure 5.6, A). IL-6 was induced 14 fold in wild-type BMDCs in response to infection (Figure 4.5), which is higher than the induction levels observed in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. Nevertheless, the modest induction of IL-6 as quantified using real-time PCR, in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs correlates with the levels of IL-6 protein quantified using ELISA (Figure 5.3, B).

Transcripts for IL-10, IL-12p35 and TNF were not significantly different in infected vs uninfected samples in microarray analysis but an increase of 1.5 fold (IL-12p35) and 1.7 fold (TNF) was identified using real-time PCR (Figure 5.7, A). Since, real-time PCR is a more sensitive technique in comparison to

microarray analysis, it is possible that such small increases in expression is below the detection level of the microarrays.

The TLR 2 and STAT-1 gene expression profiles obtained using real time PCR were comparable to those obtained using microarray analysis, although the expression of TLR 4 was considerably underestimated by microarray analysis (decreased fold change -3 fold) in comparison to a down regulation of -142 fold quantified using real-time PCR (Figure 5.7, B).

In general, the fold change of gene expression detected by microarrays is higher than the gene expression values quantified using real-time PCR. Furthermore, real-time PCR is a useful technique for detecting expression of genes which are induced at very low levels (TNF and IL-12p35).

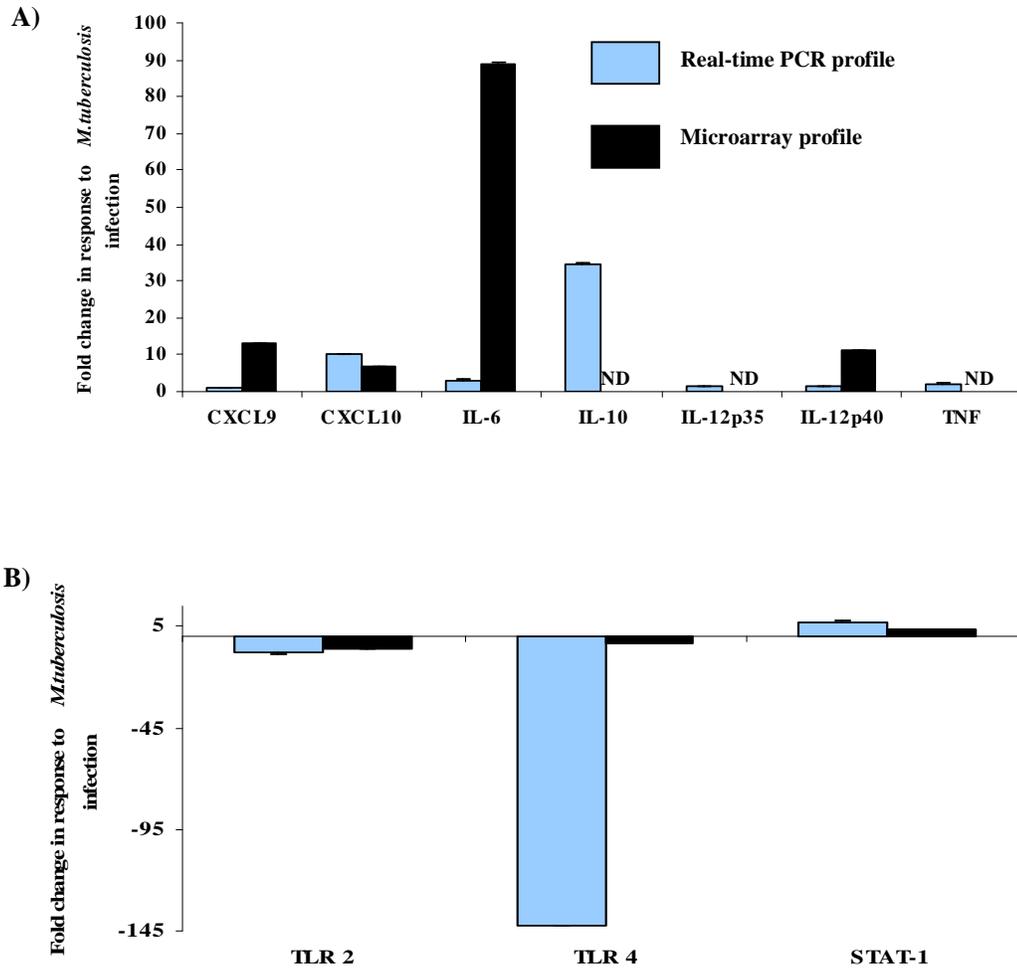


Figure 5.7- Quantitative real-time PCR and microarray profiles of A) cytokines and chemokines B) toll-like receptors and STAT-1 in *M.tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

Day 6 unsorted BMDCs were either left uninfected or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10: 1 and RNA was extracted at 24 hours post-infection. Gene expression data was determined using the SYBR green incorporation method. Expression of each gene was normalised to the endogenous control, 18S rRNA and subsequently fold change in response to infection was calculated relative to the uninfected sample. Results are representative of two independent experiments (mean \pm SD of duplicate determinations in one experiment). Fold change values obtained for each gene using microarray analysis was compared to the real time PCR data. ND- no statistically significant change in gene expression was detected from microarray analysis.

5.7- *In silico* promoter analysis of differentially regulated genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

Genes differentially regulated in response to infection in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs were analysed using TELiS database, in order to identify the transcription factor binding motifs represented in the promoters of differentially regulated genes. Details of the database and the method are described in section 2.6. Listed in the table 5.6, are significant transcription factor binding motifs represented in the promoters of genes differentially regulated in response to infection, of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

Similar to the wild-type data (Table 4.2), ISRE and NFκB binding motifs were among the transcription factors that were significantly represented in the promoters of differentially regulated genes (Table 5.6).

Other transcription factor binding motifs that were significantly regulated belonged to the Ets family of transcription factors, Elk-1. Its activity is thought to be important for cell proliferation and blocking of apoptotic cell death. Myeloid zinc finger gene 1 (mzf1) has a role as a transcriptional regulator of hematopoiesis (Morris, Hromas et al. 1994).

From the TELiS data, it is evident that IRFs and NFκB are important regulating the transcriptional responses of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

Transcription factor binding motifs	P value	Z –test score
AP-2 (Activator protein 2)	1.00×10^{-10}	5.62
NFKB (Nuclear factor kappa B)	1.10×10^{-5}	4.40
CREL	2.00×10^{-4}	3.77
MZF1 (myeloid zinc finger 1)	2.10×10^{-3}	3.08
Elk1(member of ETS oncogene family)	2.70×10^{-3}	3.00
ISRE (Interferon stimulated response element)	1.46×10^{-2}	2.44
NFKAPPAB65 (Nuclear factor kappa B- p65)	1.87×10^{-2}	2.35

Table 5.6- Transcription factor binding motifs represented in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

Significant transcription factor binding motifs, prevalent in the promoters of differentially regulated genes, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, was identified using the bioinformatic database TELiS. The positive values obtained with the Z-test indicate an increased prevalence of the individual transcription factor binding motifs and the p value represents the level of significance.

5.8- Profiling type I IFN inducible genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

Using microarray analysis it was possible to identify type I IFN inducible genes that were induced in the absence of MyD88. All the genes were mined from microarray data and were identified as type I IFN inducible genes using the same criteria, as previously described for wild-type type I IFN cluster of genes (Chapter 4, section 4.6).

5.8.1 -MyD88 independent induction of type I IFN genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs: a comparative analysis between wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

The type I IFN inducible genes were grouped together in 6 clusters (Table 5.7) and this set of genes were induced in both MyD88^{-/-} and wild-type BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. All the names of the genes abbreviated in the text can be found in table 5.7. Normalised values of the genes, displayed in the table 5.7 are listed in Appendix- VI.

Genes involved in antiviral immunity (Gbp2, Ifit1, Isg20, Oas1, Traf3), cytokines and chemokines (CXCL10, IL12b) and type I IFN pathway genes (IRF-7, STAT-1, STAT-2) were up regulated in both *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} and wild-type BMDCs. Traf-3 has a role in the regulation of IRF-3 activation via TLR pathways (Oganessian, Saha et al. 2006) and Isg20, a 3'-5' exonuclease with specificity for ssRNA, was up regulated over 7 fold in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Table 5.7).

Other sub-groups consist of genes implicated in MHC-I processing and presentation (H2-Q10, Psme2, Tap1), and regulation of transcription (Adar, Ell2), had similar expression profiles in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

The expression of CXCL10, IL12b and STAT-1 was confirmed using real time PCR, as shown previously in figure 5.7. From the microarray gene expression profiles it can be concluded that a large number of type I IFN inducible genes can be induced independent of MyD88 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

Affymetrix ID	Fold change		Common name	Description	
	Wild-type	MyD88 ^{-/-}			
1423555_a_at	90.56	4.50	A430056A10Rik	interferon-induced protein 44	} Antiviral immunity
1418240_at	3.97	2.90	Gbp2	guanylate nucleotide binding protein 2	
1450783_at	84.62	7.21	Ifit1	interferon-induced protein with tetratricopeptide repeats 1	
1419569_a_at	32.59	10.24	Isg20	interferon-stimulated protein 20	
1424339_at	56.58	13.62	Oas1l	2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase-like 1	
1418587_at	1.97	7.77	Traf3	Tnf receptor-associated factor 3	
1418930_at	91.05	7.22	Cxc110	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 10	} Cytokines and chemokines
1449497_at	23.95	12.24	Il12b	interleukin 12b	
1417244_a_at	65.58	5.24	Irf7	interferon regulatory factor 7	} IRFs and Type I IFN pathway
1420915_at	5.01	3.24	Stat1	signal transducer and activator of transcription 1	
1421911_at	10.22	4.32	Stat2	signal transducer and activator of transcription 2	
1426324_at	1.79	2.21	H2-Q10	histocompatibility 2, D region locus 1	} Antigen processing and presentation via MHC-I
1417189_at	2.03	3.14	Psme2	proteasome (prosome, macropain) 28 subunit, beta	
1416016_at	2.9	3.34	Tap1	transporter 1, ATP-binding cassette, sub-family B (MDR/TAP)	
1434268_at	2.58	2.11	Adar	adenosine deaminase, RNA-specific	} Regulation of transcription
1450744_at	2.64	3.95	Ell2	elongation factor RNA polymerase II 2	
1435446_a_at	2.67	1.87	Chpt1	choline phosphotransferase 1	} Miscellaneous
1451426_at	11.86	4.05	D11Lgp2e	DNA segment, Chr 11, Lothar Hennighausen 2, expressed	
1422433_s_at	-1.78	-2.50	Idh1	isocitrate dehydrogenase 1 (NADP+), soluble	
1421207_at	2.94	10.46	Lif		
1452178_at	6.04	2.22	Plec1	plectin 1	
1434015_at	3.3	2.03	Slc2a6	solute carrier family 2 (facilitated glucose transporter), member 6	
1417961_a_at	8.49	2.55	Trim30	tripartite motif protein 30	
1418191_at	7.15	4.42	Usp18	ubiquitin specific peptidase 18	

Table 5.7- Expression of type I IFN inducible genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs- a comparative analysis to wild-type type I IFN gene profiles.

Expression profiles of type I IFN inducible genes were mined from the microarray data. Genes were grouped into functional clusters. Relative change in expression level in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection is displayed for each gene. Positive values for fold change indicate up regulation and negative value implies down regulation. All genes displayed have a p value of ≤ 0.05 .

5.8.2- Profiling type I IFN inducible genes induced by *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs but absent from infected wild-type BMDCs.

Type I IFN inducible genes induced in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, with no statistically significant change in expression in wild-type BMDCs, are listed in table 5.8. All the gene names abbreviated in the text are in table 5.8.

The expression levels for the cytidine deaminase family member 1 (Apobec3), and mtmr9, which is involved in phospholipid de-phosphorylation was significantly up regulated over a factor of 3 fold but the type I IFN receptor, subunit 2 (IFNAR2) was down regulated in response to infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Table 5.8). Other genes which showed significant up regulation was, plek 2, involved in cell adhesion and spreading, psmb 7, a proteasome subunit which possess endopeptidase activity, tjp2, involved in the organisation of epithelial and endothelial intercellular junctions and stxbp6 which has roles in SNARE (soluble NSF attachment receptor) complex formation.

Affymetrix ID	Fold change	Common name	Description	Function
1417470_at	3.72	Apobec3	Apolipoprotein B editing complex 3	Miscellaneous
1427691_a_at	-3.14	Ifnar2	Interferon (alpha and beta) receptor 2 3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl-Coenzyme A	Type I IFN receptor
1433446_at	3.96	Hmgcs1	synthase 1	Miscellaneous
1452254_at	2.71	Mtmr9	Myotubularin related protein 9	Miscellaneous
1449424_at	45.50	Plek2	Pleckstrin 2	Cell adhesion
1449424_at	2.23	Psmb7	Proteasome subunit, beta type 7	Peptidase activity
1425749_at	3.96	Stxbp6	Syntaxin binding protein 6 (amisyn)	SNARE complex formation Organisation of
1434599_a_at	5.19	Tjp2	Tight junction protein 2	intercellular junctions

Table 5.8 – Profiling type I IFN genes which showed significant expression in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

Expression of type I IFN inducible genes were mined from microarray data. Relative change in expression level in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection is displayed for each gene. All genes displayed has a fold change of >1.4 and p value of ≤0.05.

5.8.3- Profiling type I IFN inducible genes induced by *M. tuberculosis* infected wild-type BMDCs but absent from infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

Type I IFN inducible genes, which showed a significant change in expression only in infected wild-type BMDCs were mined from the microarray data (Table 5.9).

Wild-type BMDCs in response to infection induced a cluster of genes which are classically known to be part of the innate immune response to viruses (Prkr, OAS1c, OAS2 and Mx2). Oas1c, the synthesis of which is induced by interferons, displayed a significant change in expression only in wild-type BMDCs, in response to infection. MHC-I genes (H2-Q8, H2-T10, H2-T24) induced by type I IFNs were also up regulated over 3 fold in wild-type BMDCs, in response to infection.

In conclusion, although a large proportion of type I IFN inducible genes was induced in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection, key anti-viral genes (Prkr, Mx2, OAS 1c and OAS2) displayed a significant change in expression only in wild-type BMDCs, thus possibly indicating an inefficiency by MyD88^{-/-} mice to mount innate immune responses .

Affymetrix ID	Fold change	Common name	Description	
1422005_at	5.34	Prkr	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 2-alpha kinase 2	} Antiviral immunity
1418686_at	5.48	Oas1c	2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase 1C	
1426278_at	6.14	2310061N23Rik	interferon, alpha-inducible protein 27	
1425065_at	8.00	Oas2	2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase 2	
1419676_at	11.78	Mx2	myxovirus (influenza virus) resistance 2	
1418293_at	62.53	Ifit2	interferon-induced protein with tetratricopeptide repeats 2	
1427736_a_at	5.84	Ccr12	chemokine (C-C motif) receptor-like 2	} Cytokine receptor
1421322_a_at	2.53	Isgf3g	interferon dependent positive acting transcription factor 3 gamma	} Type I IFN pathway
1449875_s_at	3.05	H2-T10	histocompatibility 2, T region locus 10	} Antigen processing and presentation via MHC-I
1430802_at	5.85	H2-Q8	histocompatibility 2, Q region locus 8	
1422160_at	6.47	H2-T24	histocompatibility 2, T region locus 24	
1451821_a_at	3.48	Sp100	nuclear antigen Sp100	} Regulation of transcription
1425053_at	2.12	2610034N03Rik	isochorismatase domain containing 1	} Miscellaneous
1421550_a_at	5.98	Trim34	tripartite motif protein 34	
1417314_at	50.13	H2-Bf	histocompatibility 2, complement component factor B	

Table 5.9 – Profiling type I IFN inducible genes which were significantly induced only in *M. tuberculosis* infected wild-type BMDCs

Expression of type I IFN inducible genes were mined from microarray data. Relative change in expression level in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection is displayed for each gene. All genes were grouped into function clusters and genes displayed have a fold change of >1.4 and p value ≤0.05.

5.9- Validation of type I IFN pathway genes expressed in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs using real time PCR

The expression of type I IFN receptor (IFNAR1 and IFNAR2), IFN beta, IRF-3 and IRF-7 was quantified using real-time PCR. IFNAR1, IRF-3, and IFN beta were not significantly represented in the microarray data and thus the expression of these genes was quantified using real-time PCR. As outlined in chapter 4, (section 4.7), the real-time PCR analysis was extended to incorporate expression of these genes at both 4 hours and 24 hours post-infection.

In brief, unsorted MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs was infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1 and RNA was extracted at 4 and 24 hours post-infection. Real-time PCR was carried out using the SYBR green incorporation method as described in materials and methods (section 2.5.1).

The expression of IFNAR1, IFNAR2, IFN beta and IRF-3 was down regulated at 4 hours post-infection in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs , the only exception being IRF-7, which was up regulated as early as 4 hours post-infection (Figure 5.8). Similarly, the expression of the type I IFN receptor subunits and IRF-3 was also down regulated in wild-type BMDCs but IFN beta and IRF-7 was up regulated at 4 hours post-infection (Figure 4.8). At 24 hours post-infection, expression of type I IFN receptors subunits was still down regulated but IFN beta , IRF-3 and IRF-7 were up regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Figure 4.8). The down regulation of type I IFN receptors seem to be an inherent process that occurs during the maturation of dendritic cells and thus represents an intricate mechanism to regulate responsiveness to type I IFNs (Gauzzi, Canini et al. 2002).

The expression of IFN beta, IRF-3 and IRF-7 in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs was similar to wild-type BMDCs although, the up regulation of IFN beta was higher in wild-type BMDCs (Figures 4.8 and 5.8).

Although, the transcripts for IFN beta, IFNAR1, and IRF-3 were not significantly represented using microarrays, it was possible to quantify the expression of these genes using real-time PCR. Furthermore, the expression of IFNAR2 and IRF-7 from microarray data was confirmed using real-time PCR.

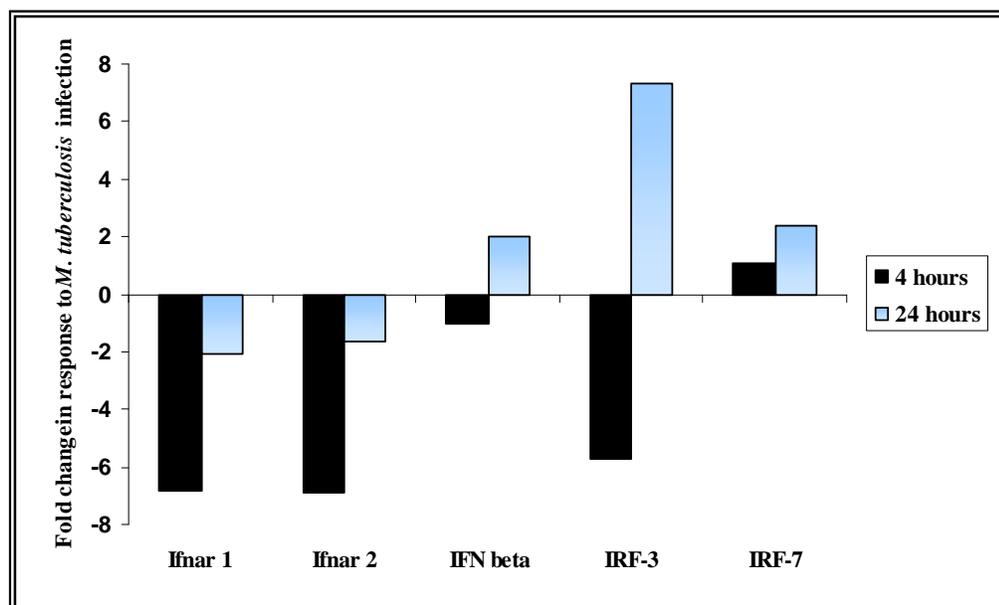


Figure 5.8 – Real-time PCR expression profiles of type I interferon genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

RNA was extracted from unsorted MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs at 4 hours and 24 hours post- infection, converted to cDNA and real-time PCR was performed using the SYBR green detection method. All values were normalised to the house keeping gene- 18S rRNA. Fold induction of each gene in response to infection was calculated relative to its normalised value in the uninfected sample. Data is representative of 2 independent experiments.

5.10- Quantification of IFN beta production by *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

IFN beta mRNA was induced by 24 hours in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs (Figure 5.8). To analyse IFN beta production, unsorted MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS (1µg/ml) or infected with H37Rv 10:1 and supernatants were collected between 6-72 hours post-infection and IFN beta production was measured using ELISA.

As shown in figure 5.9, IFN beta was detectable by 24 hours post-infection (115 ±3.86pg/ml), with decreased production at later time points. In contrast, IFN beta was detected by 6 hours in LPS stimulated MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (280 ±1 pg/ml) with a rapid reduction in IFN beta protein levels by 24 hours (Figure 5.9). Uninfected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs produced negligible amounts of IFN beta. In contrast, LPS stimulated wild-type BMDCs produced higher levels of IFN beta with a more gradual decrease in IFN beta production at later time points (Figure 4.9). In wild-type BMDCs, the induction of IFN beta in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection was not significantly different to MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs at any of the time points examined (Figure 4.9 and Figure 5.9).

Thus, IFN beta was induced in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs at 24 hours, both at the mRNA (Figure 5.8) and protein level (Figure 5.9). Hence the induction of IFN beta is independent of MyD88 in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs.

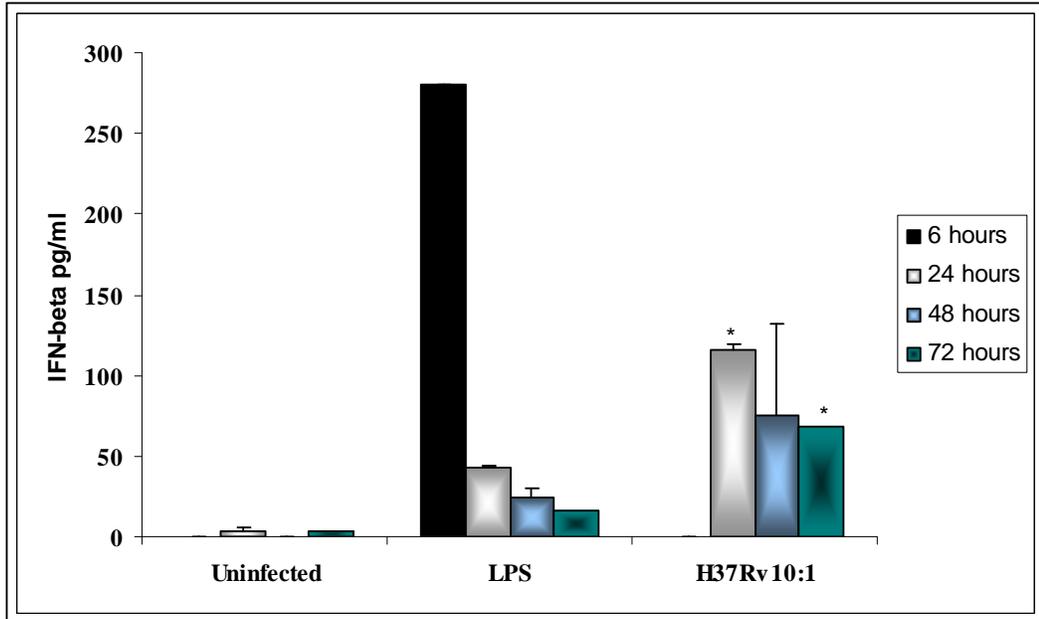


Figure 5.9- Induction of IFN beta in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

MyD88^{-/-} unsorted BMDCs were cultured *in vitro* and day 6 cells were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS (1µg/ml) or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1. Supernatants were collected at various time points post-infection for the quantification of IFN beta using ELISA. Results are the mean of ±SE of 3 independent experiments. Statistical analysis was performed between *M. tuberculosis* infected group and uninfected group with the Student's t-test, *- p value <0.05.

5.11- Real-time PCR analysis of type I IFN inducible genes in CD11c sorted MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

In order to obtain a more comprehensive list and substantiate the expression of selected type I IFN inducible genes, obtained from microarray analysis using unsorted BMDCs (68 ±6% CD11c⁺), real-time PCR was carried out using RNA extracted from a population of sorted dendritic cells (95 ±3% CD11c⁺).

Day 6, BMDCs were sorted based on their CD11c expression and RNA was extracted from cells that were either left uninfected or infected with H37Rv (M.O.I 10:1) for 24 hours. Real-time PCR was carried out using the RT profiler PCR array system and all genes were normalised to the endogenous control, GAPDH.

Similar to the wild-type real-time PCR data (Figures 4.10 and 4.11), IFN inducible genes were sub-divided into 4 sub-groups and the gene expression profiles are displayed in figure 5.10 and figure 5.12. The type I IFNs, IFN alpha (IFNa2, a4, a9 and a11) and IFN beta were up regulated but IFN alpha sub-type IFNa7 was down regulated in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (CD11c sorted). In contrast, the expression of IFNa7 and IFNa11 was down regulated in wild-type CD11c⁺ BMDCs (Figure 4.10) nonetheless, IFNa2, IFNa4 and IFNa9 were up regulated in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} CD11c sorted BMDCs, in response to infection (Figures 4.10 and 5.10).

As shown in figure 5.11, low amounts of IFN alpha (14.31 ±1.59pg/ml) protein was detected at later time points post-infection (72 hours). This is in contrast to wild-type *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs where IFN alpha was not measurable at the protein level using ELISA.

Cytokines IL12b (IL-12p40) and IL-4 were both up regulated in response to infection of MyD88^{-/-} CD11c sorted BMDCs (Figure 5.10), however, the expression of IL-4 was down regulated in wild-type *M. tuberculosis* infected CD11c sorted BMDCs (Figure 4.10). But similar to the wild-type, IL-4 protein

was not detected in the supernatants of *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} CD11c sorted BMDCs.

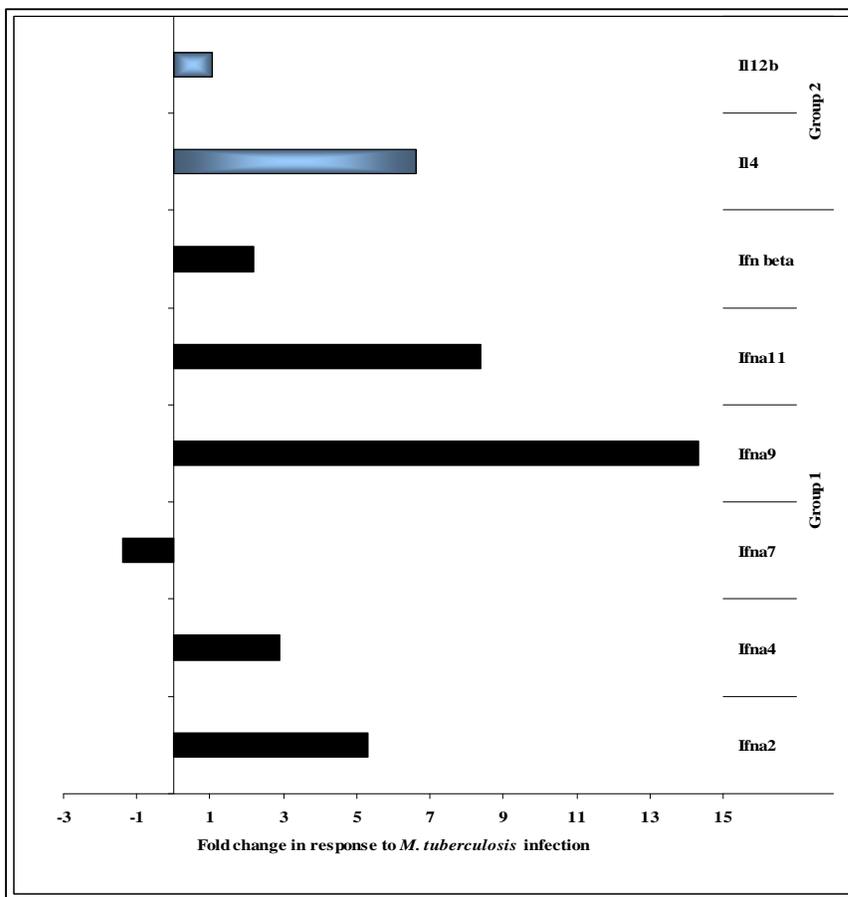


Figure 5.10- Real-time PCR expression profiles of type I IFNs and IFN inducible genes in CD11c sorted MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

RNA was isolated from CD11c sorted uninfected BMDCs and *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs (24 hours post-infection), converted to cDNA and real-time PCR was performed using RT profiler PCR array. Expression of individual interferon genes were normalised to the house keeping gene GAPDH. Fold change of a gene in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection relative to the uninfected sample is displayed. Genes were grouped into functional clusters: Group 1- type I interferons, Group 2- Interferon related genes. Results are representative of two independent experiments.

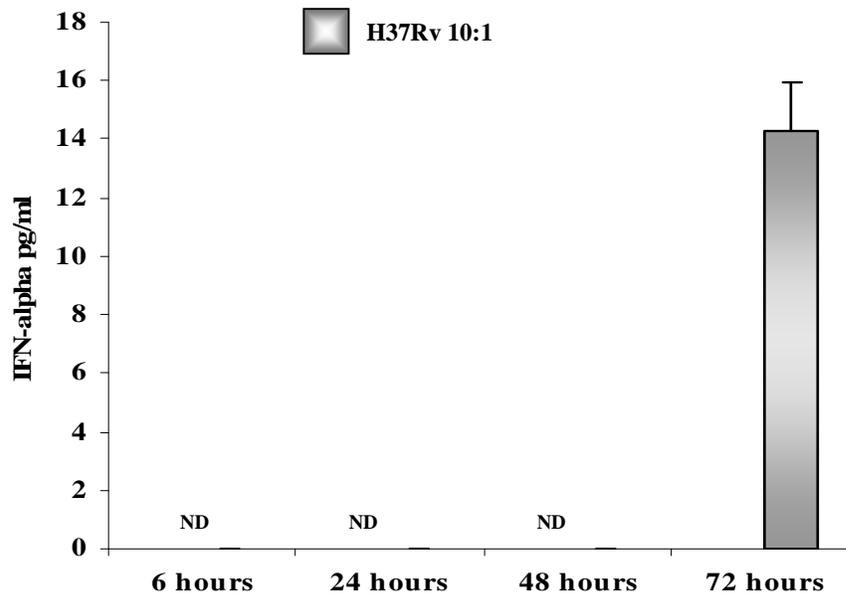


Figure 5.11- Induction of IFN alpha in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs were cultured *in vitro* and day 6 cells were either left uninfected, or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1. Supernatants were collected at various time points post-infection for the quantification of IFN alpha using ELISA. Results are the mean of ±SE of 3 independent experiments.

Expression of interferon regulatory factors (group 3) was similar between MyD88^{-/-} and wild-type CD11c sorted BMDCs with the exception of Irf2bp1, which was up regulated by a factor of 16 fold in wild-type BMDCs but was down regulated in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection (Figures 4.11 and 5.12).

In group 4, key anti-viral genes, Mx1, OAS1a and cellular immune response genes, Ifit2, Ifit3, Ifi27 and H28 were down regulated in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, in response to infection but were up regulated in wild-type BMDCs (Figure 4.11 and figure 5.12).

As outlined previously in chapter 4 (section 4.9.1), real-time PCR profiles of type I IFN inducible genes in CD11c sorted BMDCs also made it possible to validate the microarray analysis carried out using unsorted BMDCs. As shown in figure 5.13, gene expression data obtained for CXCL10, IL12b, Ifi44, Ifit1 and IRF-7 was similar in both microarray analysis and real-time PCR data (obtained from CD11c sorted BMDCs). Thus, gene expression profiles from real time PCR, carried out using CD11c sorted BMDCs and microarray analysis, with unsorted BMDCs, were comparable.

In general, the induction of type I IFNs (IFN alpha and IFN beta), IRF-7 and other type I IFN inducible genes substantiates the induction of the type I IFN pathway but the down regulation of key anti-viral genes and the general reduced fold change of type I IFN genes like CXCL10 suggests that there are crucial differences that exist between MyD88 deficient and wild-type BMDCs.

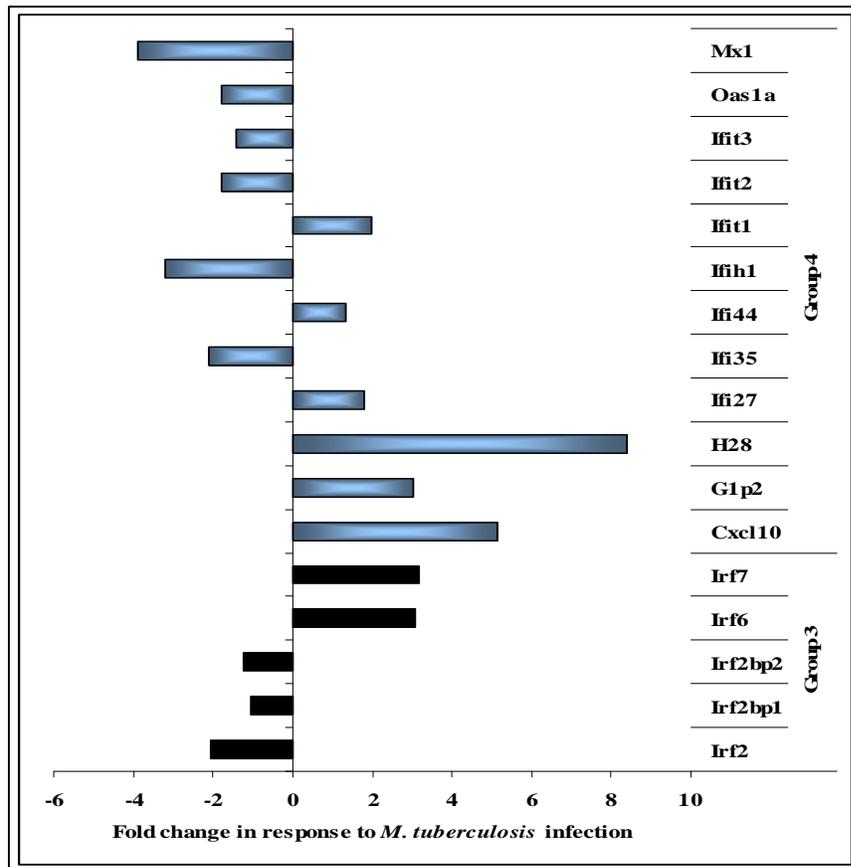


Figure 5.12 - Real-time PCR expression profiles of Interferon regulatory factors and type I IFN inducible genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} CD11c sorted BMDCs

RNA was isolated from CD11c sorted uninfected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCS and *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, converted to cDNA and real-time PCR was performed using RT profiler PCR array. Expression of individual interferon genes were normalised to the house keeping gene GAPDH. Fold change of a gene in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection relative to the uninfected sample is displayed. Genes were grouped into functional clusters: ■ Group 3-Interferon regulatory factors, ■ Group 4- Interferon inducible genes. Results are representative of two independent experiments.

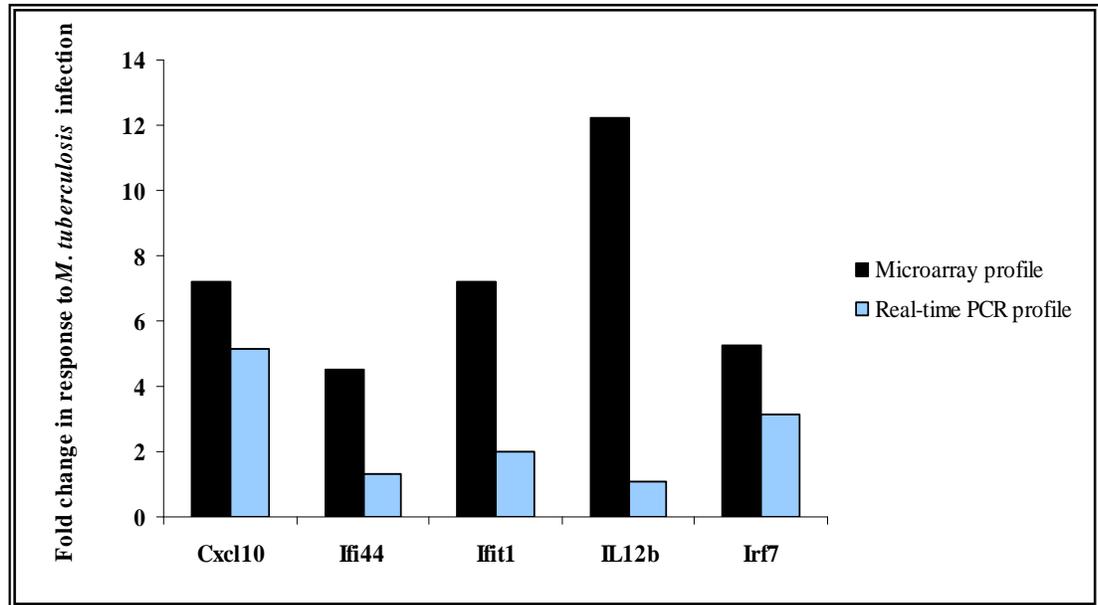


Figure 5.13 – Quantitative real-time PCR and microarray gene expression profiles of *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

RNA was extracted from CD11c sorted BMDCs 24 hour's post- infection, converted to cDNA and gene expression values as indicated were measured, by SYBR Green incorporation during PCR. For real time PCR, the expression of each gene was normalized to the internal control, GAPDH. Results obtained using real-time PCR for each gene was compared with the fold induction values obtained using microarray analysis.

5.12- Discussion

In the absence of MyD88, dendritic cells in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection reveal no impairment in up regulating the co-stimulatory and MHC-II expression and this degree of up regulation is comparable to wild-type BMDCs. Hence, this feature of dendritic cell maturation is independent of MyD88. This correlates with previous studies which have shown that MyD88^{-/-} dendritic cells, show similar up regulation of co-stimulatory and antigen presenting molecules in response to LPS and *M. tuberculosis* infection (Kaisho and Akira 2001; Fremont, Yeremeev et al. 2004).

However, MyD88 deficient BMDCs exhibit a profound impairment and delay in producing inflammatory cytokines. The reduced induction of cytokines is reflected at both the mRNA and protein level (Figures, 5.3, 5.4 and 5.7, A). IL-6 and TNF- α were highly induced in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, of wild-type BMDCs by 6 hours post-infection, with the exception of IL-12p40, which peaked around 48 hours post-infection. In contrast, IL-6 and TNF- α peaked around 48 hours with a profound reduction in cytokine levels in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. Additionally, the anti-inflammatory cytokine IL-10 and the bioactive IL-12p70 were not detected in response to infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. Hence it appears that the induction of inflammatory cytokines is partially dependent on MyD88 and requires the MyD88 dependent pathway for optimal cytokine production, as seen in the wild-type BMDCs, in response to infection.

Gene expression analysis of wild-type BMDCs identified a large number of type I IFN inducible genes which were induced in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Previous reports have suggested that LPS stimulation and *M. tuberculosis* infection of macrophages can induce IFN inducible genes independent of MyD88 (Kawai, Takeuchi et al. 2001; Shi, Nathan et al. 2003). Since no similar studies have been performed with murine dendritic cells, the induction of type I IFN genes was determined in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88 deficient BMDCs using a combination of microarray, real-time PCR and bioinformatics approaches.

Following a similar pattern to wild-type BMDCs, the most significantly represented KEGG pathways were that of TLR signalling, JAK-STAT signalling and cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction pathway. Although a large proportion of genes within these pathways exhibited similarities between wild-type and MyD88 deficient BMDCs, some key differences did exist in the gene expression profiles.

Pattern recognition receptors TLR 2 and TLR 4 are important during mycobacterial infections. In response to infection, these receptors were down regulated in MyD88 deficient BMDCs and in contrast, these receptors were up regulated in wild-type BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. In MyD88 deficient BMDCs it is possible, that delayed kinetics in TLR gene expression is responsible for this observation. This is likely, as other aspects of dendritic cell responses such as cytokine production by MyD88 deficient BMDCs is induced with delayed kinetics, when compared to wild-type BMDCs, in response to infection.

In the absence of MyD88, a proportion of type I IFN inducible genes and type I IFNs were up regulated in response to infection. These genes were further divided into functional gene clusters and genes involved in anti-viral immunity, cytokines/chemokines and genes which are part of the type I IFN pathway were differentially expressed in response to infection. A large number of genes in these clusters were induced in the absence of MyD88.

But a detailed look, also highlighted certain differences in gene expression patterns, between wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. Cellular immune response genes Ifit2, OAS1a and Mx1 were down regulated in response to infection, as shown by real-time PCR (Figure 5.12).

OAS encodes a family of 2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase enzymes, which is induced in response to type I interferons and functions to activate RNase L that degrades viral RNA. The transcript for OAS1a was up regulated by 1.6 fold in wild-type mice but was down regulated by a factor of 1.8 fold in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, OAS1c and OAS2 was up regulated by a more than a factor of 5 fold in

wild-type BMDCs and these genes did not display a significant change in expression, in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. Mx proteins which are part of the family of GTPases, was up regulated 1.13 fold in wild-type BMDCs and down regulated by a factor of 3 fold in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, as shown by real-time PCR. The expression of SOCS 3 (up regulated by 4.0 fold) is known to suppress IFN alpha induced antiviral proteins like 2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase and Mx proteins. It is possible that up regulation of SOCS 3 contributes to the down regulation of these key anti-viral immune genes in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

Transcription of IFN beta appears to follow different kinetics of induction in MyD88^{-/-} and wild-type BMDCs, with this gene being down regulated at 4 hours post-infection in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs but is up regulated at later time points. In contrast, there is an increased induction of IFN beta at 4 and 24 hours post-infection of wild-type BMDCs. At 24 hours, the induction of IFN beta and IFN alpha sub types in MyD88^{-/-} mice, suggests MyD88 independence in inducing specific sub-sets of type I IFNs.

In line with the induction of type I IFN inducible genes, ISRE motifs were significantly present in promoters of differentially regulated genes in MyD88 deficient BMDCs, as shown by TELiS analysis. Similar to wild-type BMDCs, IRFs and NFκB transcription factors contribute to the regulation of cellular response in MyD88 deficient BMDCs.

An overview of the key immune responses of *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs is illustrated in figure 5.14. Previous studies have shown that *M. tuberculosis* mediates gene expression in macrophages largely independent of MyD88 (Shi, Evans et al. 2003). Similarly, *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs also mediates the expression of a large proportion of genes independent of MyD88 but the overall optimum immune response, as highlighted by the defective cytokine production and down regulation of key antiviral genes, seem to be still dependent on MyD88.

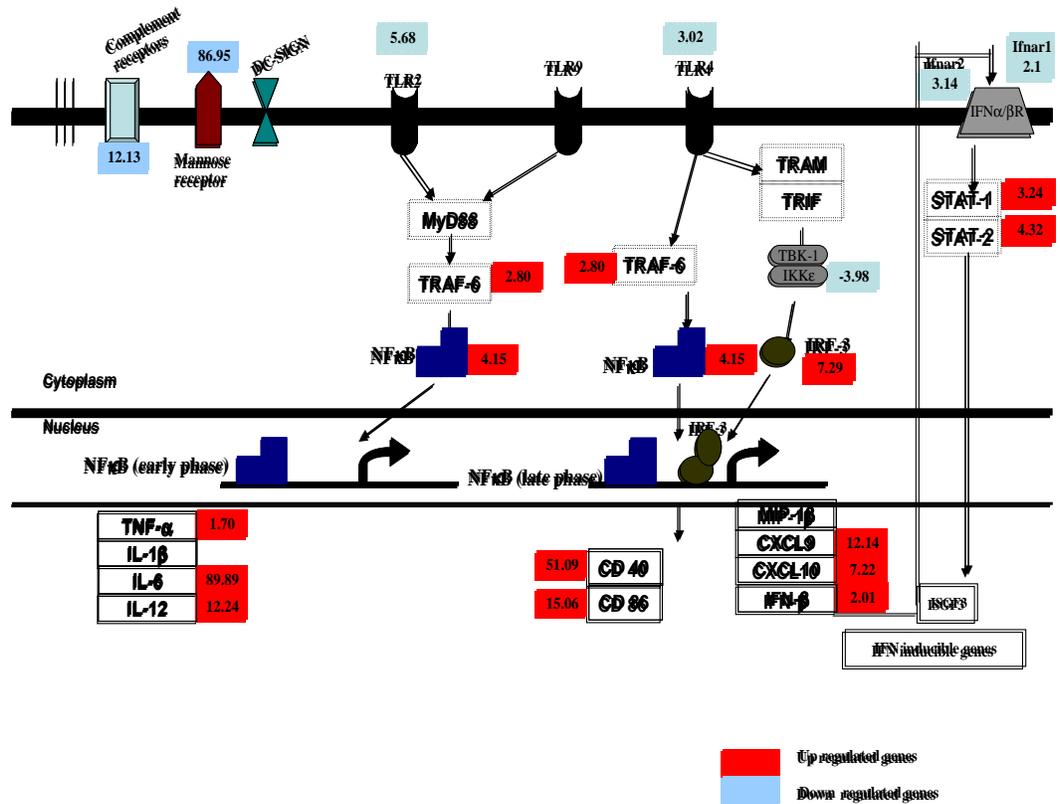


Figure 5.14- Overall schematics of differentially expressed immune response and signal transduction genes by *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (24 hours post-infection)

Gene expression values were obtained from microarray and real-time PCR data.

Chapter 6

Expression of IRF-3 and IRF-7 in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs in the absence of MyD88

6.1- Introduction

The expression of a number of type I IFN inducible genes is dependent on a set of transcription factors. Transcriptional induction of type I IFN genes is mediated by two main transcription factors IRF-3 and IRF-7. These two transcription factors are structurally related and belong to the IRF family of transcription factors. IRF-3 is expressed constitutively, in its latent form, in the cytoplasm and undergoes nuclear translocation in response to viral stimulation. In contrast, IRF-7 is present in low levels in most cells and its expression is strongly induced in response to type I IFN signalling. Both these transcription factors undergo serine phosphorylation and dimerisation, before translocation to the nucleus. IRF 3 is classically thought to be important in the activation of IFN beta and IRF-7 is responsible for the activation of IFN alpha genes.

LPS, a TLR 4 ligand (Poltorak, He et al. 1998) and poly I:C, a TLR 3 ligand (Alexopoulou, Holt et al. 2001), are potent inducers of type I IFN responses. There is a lack of IFN beta mRNA induction in IRF3^{-/-} dendritic cells in response to LPS stimulation. This led to the suggestion that IRF-3 is important in the LPS mediated IFN beta induction via TLR 4 (Sakaguchi, Negishi et al. 2003). Type I IFN induction is mediated by a positive feed back loop mechanism and recent studies have shown, that heterodimers of IRF-3/IRF-7 or the homodimer of IRF-7, are important in mediating the full induction of the type I IFN genes. IRF-7^{-/-} mice were highly susceptible to viral infection more so than MyD88^{-/-} mice, which coincide with decreased serum levels of IFNs. This paper also further demonstrated the dispensable role of IRF-3 during the induction of type I IFN genes in plasmacytoid dendritic cells via TLR9. Thus this key piece of work revealed the importance of IRF-7 in mediating innate anti-viral responses (Honda, Yanai et al. 2005).

In the previous chapters an account of the induction of the type I IFN pathway has been given, with particular reference to the induction of the type I IFN inducible genes. A proportion of these genes have been found to be

independent of the adaptor MyD88. Additionally, transcription factor binding motifs for IRFs, the ISRE sequence, was significantly present in the promoters of genes differentially regulated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. In light of this evidence and what is known from the literature, the expression of the two key transcription factors regulating the induction of type I IFN inducible genes was characterised at the protein level using western blotting.

6.2- Induction of IFN beta in response to stimulation by TLR3 and TLR4 ligands

In order to determine the ability of poly I:C (TLR 3 ligand) and LPS (TLR 4 ligand) to induce type I IFNs, day 6 unsorted BMDCs were stimulated with either LPS or poly I:C and the levels of IFN beta were assessed using ELISA at 24 hours post-stimulation.

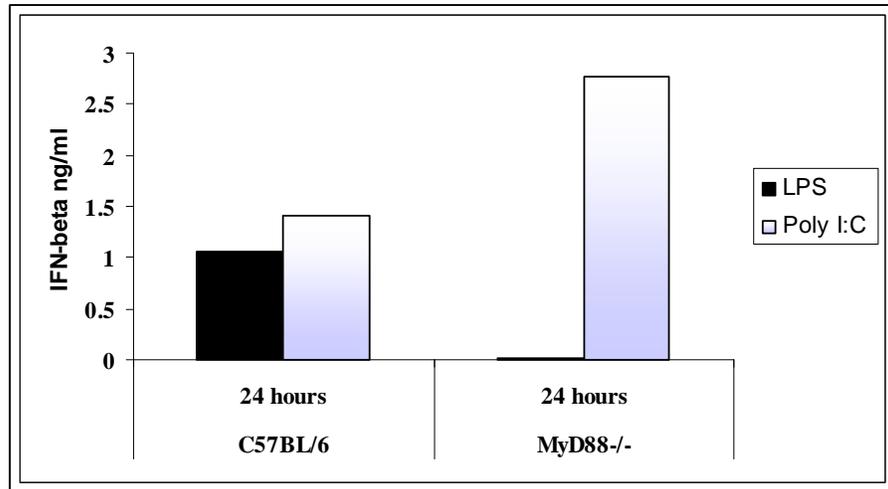


Figure 6.1- Induction of IFN beta in response to LPS and poly I:C stimulation of BMDCs.

Day 6 BMDCs were either stimulated with LPS or poly I:C or left un-stimulated and supernatants were collected at 24 hours. IFN beta levels were determined using ELISA. Data is representative of 2 independent experiments.

As shown in figure 6.1, LPS and poly I:C are capable of stimulating high levels of IFN beta, with poly I:C inducing higher levels of type I IFNs, especially in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. LPS stimulated MyD88 deficient BMDCs produced much lower levels of IFN beta in comparison to poly I:C stimulation. Thus, both LPS and poly I:C were able to induce IFN beta production, with poly I:C being superior in inducing IFN beta production from BMDCs.

6.3 Activation of IRF-3 and IRF-7 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection

Day 6 BMDCs from wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} unsorted BMDCs were either left uninfected, stimulated with LPS, poly I:C or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1 and nuclear extracts were obtained 4 hours and 24 hours post-infection.

The expression of IRF-3 and IRF-7 was detected using western blots with antibodies against IRF-3 and IRF-7.

IRF-3 was expressed at low levels in its non phosphorylated form in wild-type uninfected cells and in contrast MyD88^{-/-} uninfected cells showed a higher expression level of IRF-3 (Figure 6.2). Overall, IRF-3 was highly expressed in response to poly I:C stimulation with slightly weaker expression in response to LPS stimulation of wild-type BMDCs (Figure 6.2, A). At 4 hours, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, there was an increase in IRF-3 phosphorylation, as represented by the slower migrating band on the gel in wild-type BMDCs (Figure 6.2, A). In MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, the expression of IRF-3 was similar in response to LPS and poly I:C stimulation. IRF-3 expression was weaker in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. At 24 hours post-infection, the expression of IRF-3 was decreased in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Figure 6.2, B). The phosphorylated form of IRF-3 was not detected in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection.

IRF-7 was not expressed in uninfected wild-type cells and there was a faint expression of IRF-7, in MyD88^{-/-} uninfected BMDCs. At 4 hours, IRF-7 was expressed at very low levels in response to LPS and poly I:C stimulation in wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Figure 6.3). There was no expression of IRF-7 in response to *M. tuberculosis* stimulation in both the wild-type and MyD88 knockout BMDCs at 4 hours. In contrast, there was an increase in expression of IRF-7 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection at 24 hours as shown in figure 6.3, A and figure 6.3, B with an additional band appearing at 100kda.

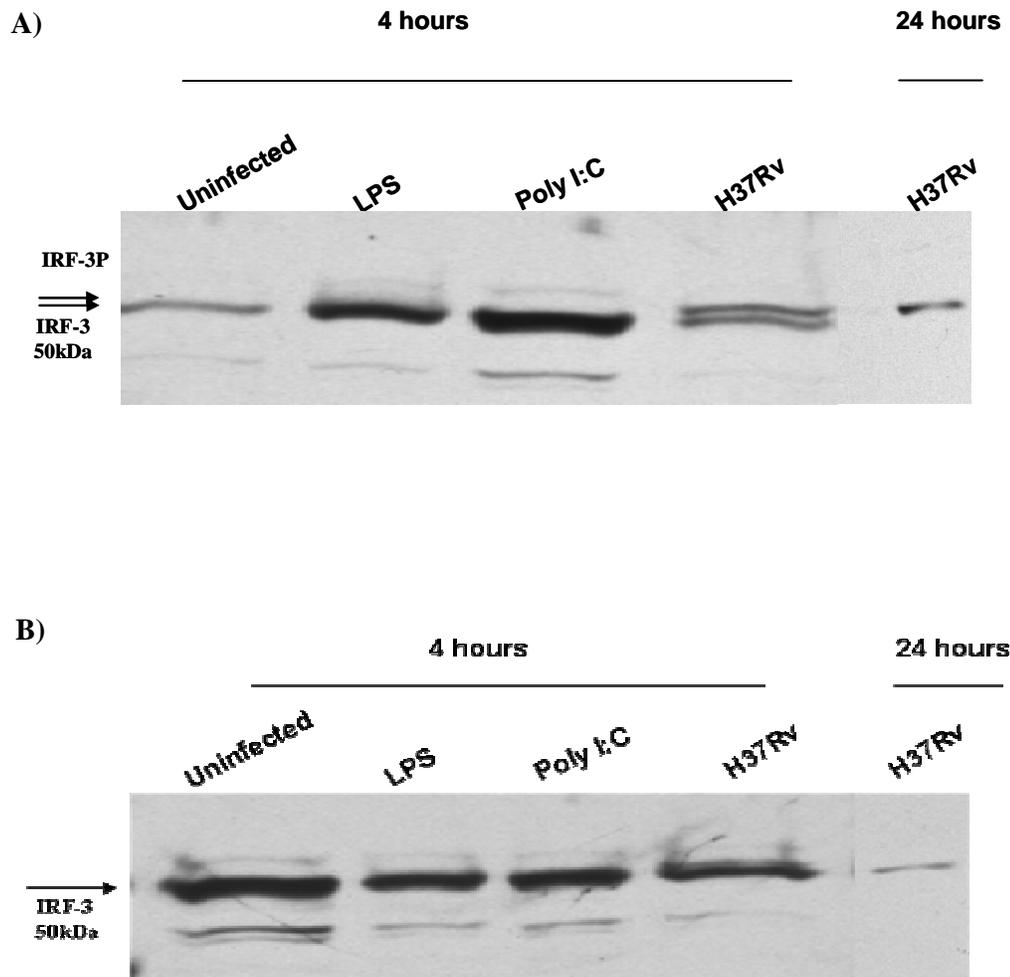


Figure 6.2- Expression of IRF-3 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of A) wild-type B) MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

BMDCs were uninfected, stimulated with LPS, poly I:C or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1 and nuclear extracts were isolated 4 and 24 hours later. Nuclear extracts were analysed using gel electrophoresis and IRF-3 was detected using anti-IRF-3 antibody.

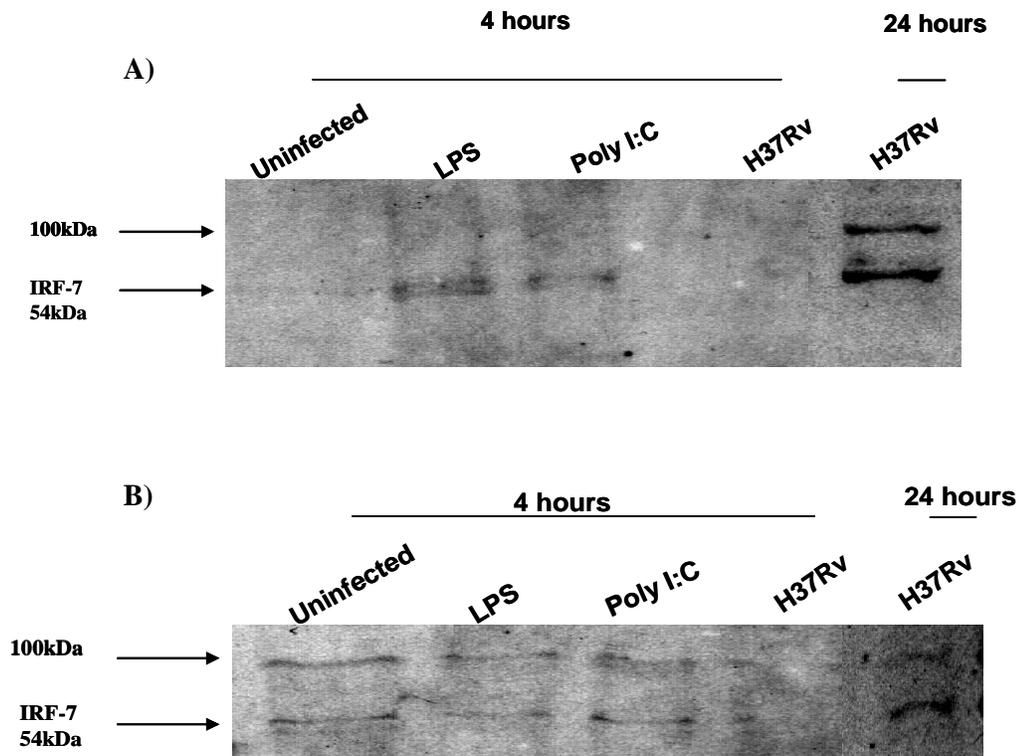


Figure 6.3- Expression of IRF-7 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of A) wild-type B) MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

BMDCs were uninfected, stimulated with LPS, poly I:C or infected with H37Rv at a M.O.I of 10:1 and nuclear extracts were isolated at 4 and 24 hours later. Nuclear extracts were analysed using gel electrophoresis and IRF-7 was detected using anti-IRF-7 antibody.

6.4-Discussion

IRF-3 and IRF-7 are the two key transcription factors involved in the induction of type I IFN inducible genes. The presence of these two proteins was detected using western blots from nuclear lysates of BMDCs. Since LPS and poly I:C are capable of inducing IFN beta, they were selected as positive controls for the western blot experiments. There was expression of IRF-3 in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} in response to LPS and poly I:C stimulation. IRF-3 was induced in the presence of *M. tuberculosis* infection with varying kinetics. There was a strong expression of IRF-3 in wild-type BMDCs with the appearance of the phosphorylated form of the protein at 4 hours post-infection, the overall expression of which decreased at 24 hours post-infection. The decrease in protein expression of IRF-3 is possibly due to the susceptibility of IRF-3 to proteasome mediated degradation. This is similar to the scenario during viral infections, where the phosphorylation of IRF-3 also signals initiation of protein degradation (Hiscott, Pitha et al. 1999). In MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs there was a slight decrease in expression of IRF-3 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection in comparison with uninfected BMDCs, which further decreased at later time points. It is possible that IRF-3 undergoes proteasome degradation even in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs at later time point's post-infection similar to the wild-type BMDCs.

IRF-7 is induced in *M. tuberculosis* infected cells in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, albeit at lower levels in the absence of MyD88, at later time points post-infection (24 hours). IRF-7 is expressed as two forms; the faster migrating 54kDa sub-unit and the slower migrating 100kDa possibly representing the dimerised form of IRF-7. In wild-type cells the kinetics of expression of IRF-7 are quite clear, with no detectable expression at 4 hours and by 24 hours there is a clear induction with the appearance of the two forms of IRF-7. It is thought that the homodimer of IRF-7 with an approximate band size of 100kDa binds to specific sequences in the promoters of target genes and enhances their transcription (Marie, Smith et al. 2000). IRF-3 is induced at earlier time points post-infection with IRF-7 being expressed at later time points in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, thus there is a delay in the expression of IRF-7 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

Chapter 7

Priming of anti-mycobacterial immune responses in the absence of MyD88

7.1- Introduction

The adaptor MyD88 plays a crucial role in TLR signalling as characterised by the fact that a number of toll-like receptors like TLR 2, 7 and 9, solely depend on this adaptor for efficient signalling (O'Neill 2003). In addition, MyD88 deficient mice are known to have an impaired ability to activate antigen specific Th-1 immune responses and are susceptible to a number of pathogens including *Listeria monocytogenes* (Edelson and Unanue 2002) and *Toxoplasma gondii* (Scanga, Aliberti et al. 2002). As described previously in this study, microarray results showed that dendritic cell responses after *M. tuberculosis* infection were mediated through both MyD88 dependent and independent pathways; in particular type I IFN responses which were clearly induced in the absence of MyD88.

The experiments described in this chapter were carried out to investigate the priming of anti-mycobacterial immune responses in the absence of MyD88, in an intravenous model of *M. tuberculosis* infection.

7.2- *M. tuberculosis* infection and immune responses in the absence of MyD88

Wild-type (C57BL/6) and MyD88^{-/-} mice were divided into two groups, one group received 10⁶ colony forming units (CFU) of H37Rv as a single dose intravenously and the other group was left uninfected. The experimental procedure is described in materials and methods (section 2.8). Whole spleen cells were isolated at 14 days and 30 days post-infection and cultured *in vitro*, in the presence or absence of PPD or anti-CD3/CD28, which served as a positive control. Supernatants were collected at 24 and 72 hours post-stimulation, for quantification of IL-2 and IFN- γ respectively, by ELISA.

As shown in figure 7.1 and 7.2, spleen cells from wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} infected mice produced IL-2 and IFN- γ in response to PPD stimulation. Furthermore, the observed cytokine production in response to PPD stimulation was due to pre-exposure to mycobacterial antigens as spleen cells from naïve mice do not respond to PPD stimulation.

MyD88^{-/-} T cells displayed a reduced capacity to proliferate in comparison, to wild-type T cells at both 14 and 30 days post-infection (Figure 7.1). In particular, differences were pronounced at 30 days post-infection at a higher PPD dose, in the absence of MyD88 (Figure 7.1, B). In response to a high dose of PPD stimulation, wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} T cells produced IFN- γ at both 14 and 30 days post-infection. But in the absence of MyD88, T cells were defective in IFN- γ production in response to a low dose of antigen, at both 14 and 30 days post-infection, although the difference in IFN- γ production between wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} T cells was less prominent at 30 days post-infection (Figure 7.2). Hence, the data indicates a MyD88 independent route of T cell priming with comparable IFN- γ responses when stimulated with a high antigen dose.

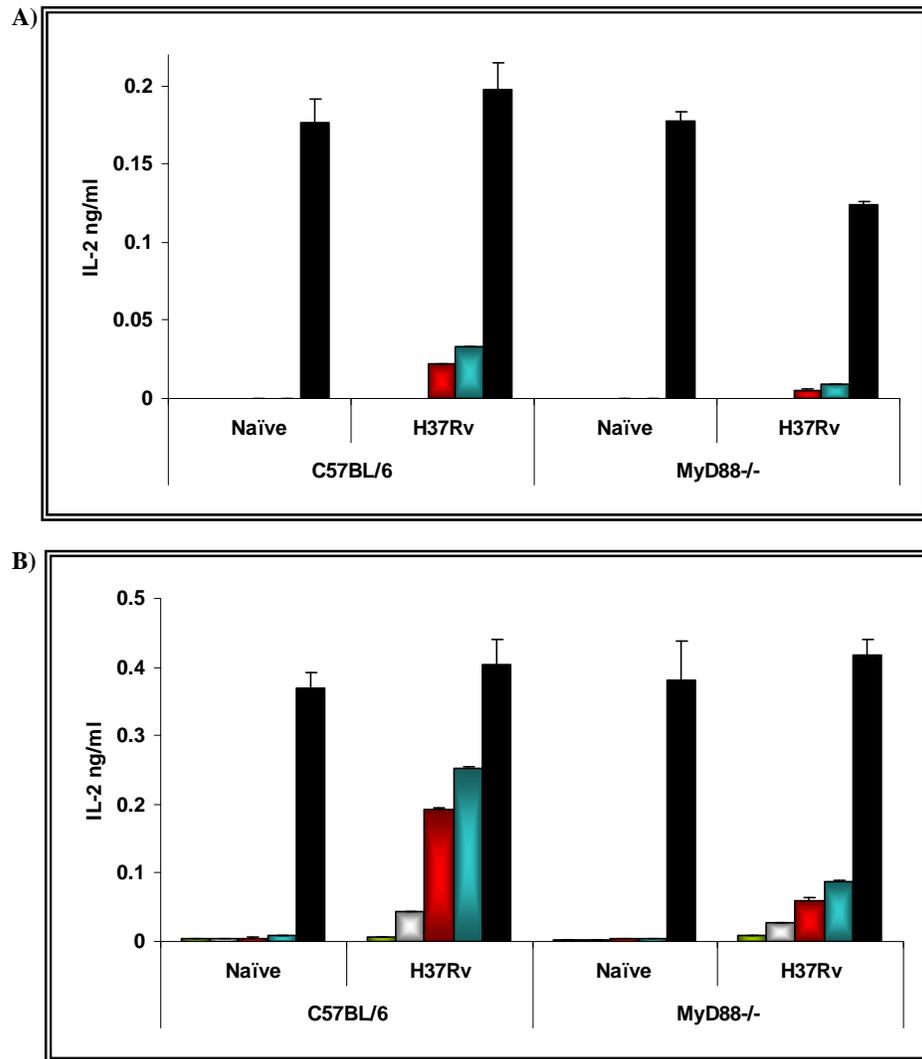


Figure 7.1- Production of IL-2 in response to PPD stimulation of spleen cells from *M. tuberculosis* infected mice.

Whole spleen cells were isolated at **A)** 14 days **B)** 30 days post-infection and stimulated *in vitro* with PPD. Levels of IL-2 were assayed using ELISA, 24 hours post-stimulation. Data are expressed as a mean \pm SD of duplicate wells and are representative of two independent experiments.

Saline,
 PPD- 0.1µg/ml,
 PPD- 1.0 µg/ml,
 PPD-10µg/ml
 CD3/CD28

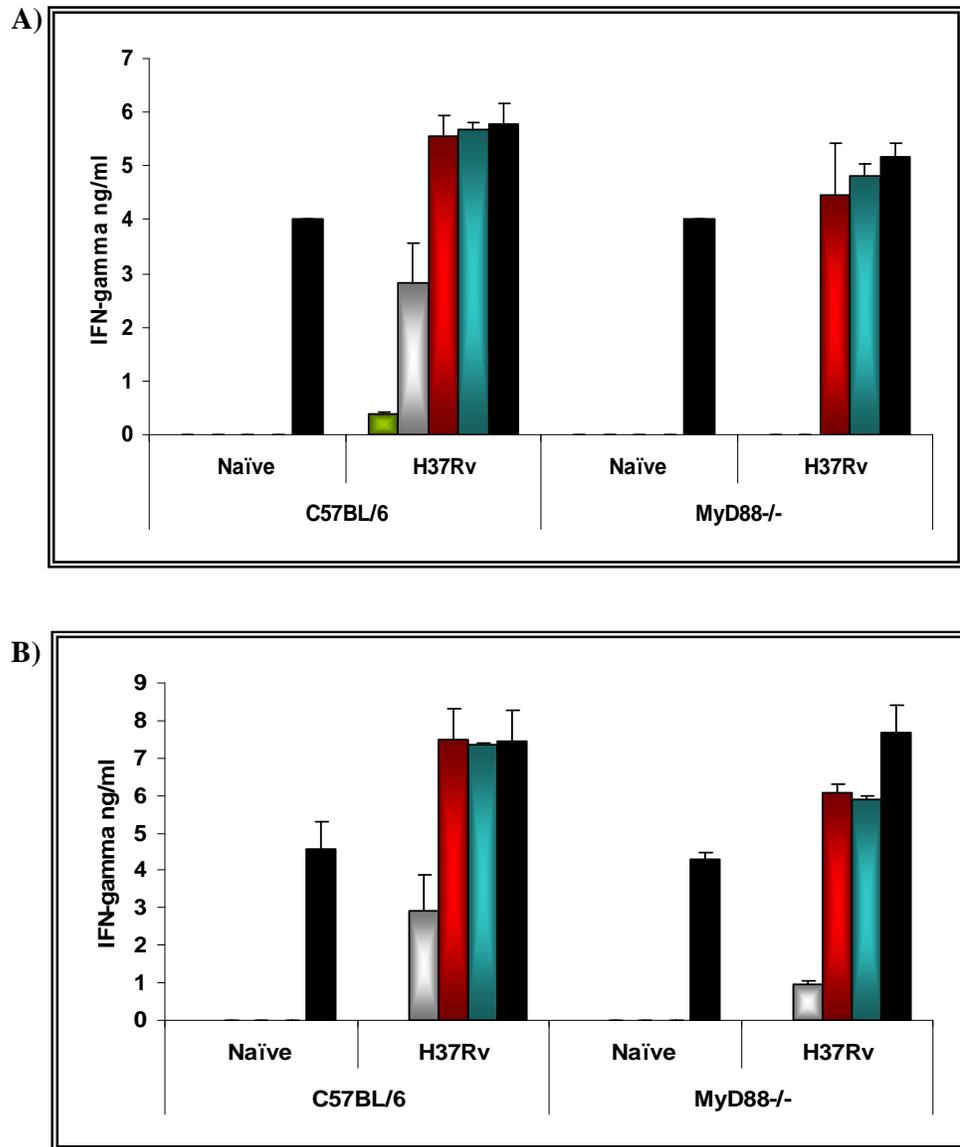


Figure 7.2 – Production of IFN- γ in response to PPD stimulation of spleen cells from *M. tuberculosis* infected mice.

Whole spleen cells were isolated ex-vivo at **A)** 14 days post-infection, **B)** 30 days post-infection and were stimulated using saline, PPD (at 0.1µg/ml, 1µg/ml and 10µg/ml) or anti-CD3/CD28 (1µg/ml). IFN- γ levels were measured in supernatants using ELISA, 72 hours post-stimulation. Results are representative of two independent experiments (mean \pm SD of duplicate determinations in one experiment).

■ Saline,
 ■ PPD- 0.1µg/ml,
 ■ PPD- 1.0 µg/ml,
 ■ PPD-10µg/ml
■ CD3/CD28

7.3- Determining *M. tuberculosis* bacterial loads in the spleens and lungs of wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} mice

In the previous section, it was demonstrated that both MyD88 knockout mice and wild-type strains of mice were able to prime anti-mycobacterial specific T cells. To address the ability of MyD88^{-/-} mice to control the growth of *M. tuberculosis*, wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} mice were infected intravenously with 10⁶ CFU of H37Rv and bacterial counts were determined at 14 and 30 days post-infection, in both lungs and spleens.

As shown in fig 7.3, there was significant increase in the bacterial load in the spleens of MyD88^{-/-} mice at 14 days post-infection. At 30 days post-infection, at least 1 log₁₀ higher bacterial counts were detected in the lungs of MyD88^{-/-} mice. Additionally, at each time point examined there were considerably higher bacterial counts in MyD88^{-/-} mice in comparison to wild-type mice.

Thus, MyD88^{-/-} mice have increased bacterial burdens in both lungs and spleens in comparison to wild-type mice, even though they are able to mount specific T cell responses producing high levels of IFN- γ .

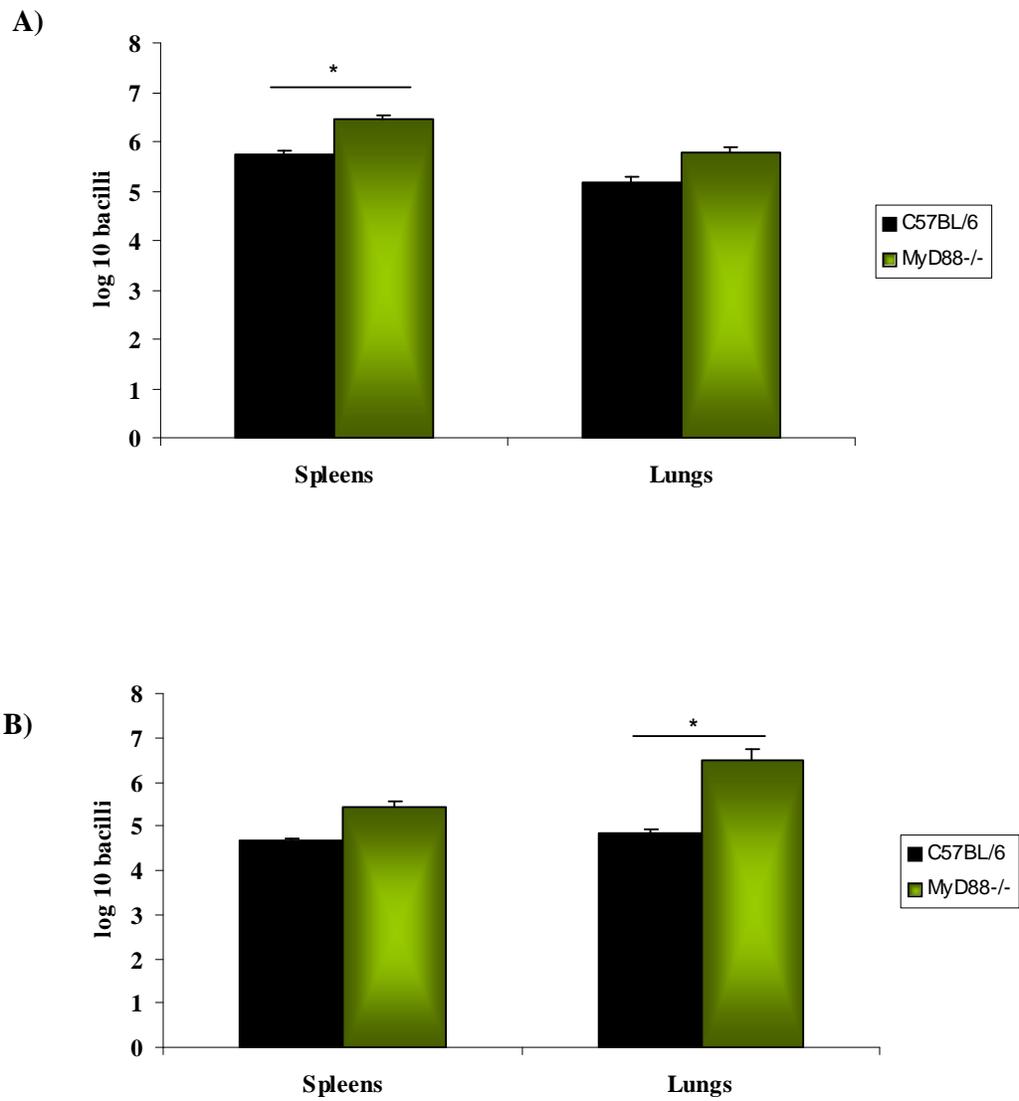


Figure 7.3 –Determining bacterial counts in wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} mice. Mice were injected intravenously with 10⁶ colony forming units of H37Rv. At **A)** 14 days and **B)** 30 days post-infection bacterial counts were determined. Results are expressed as the mean ±SEM of the bacterial load in each group expressed as log₁₀ colony forming units (n=3 mice). *- p value < 0.05

7.4 Histological examination of lungs from MyD88^{-/-} *M. tuberculosis* infected mice

At 30 days post-infection, whole lungs from *M. tuberculosis* infected wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} mice were fixed in 10% formalin and paraffin-embedded lung sections were stained using hematoxylin and eosin. Microscopic examination of the lungs of MyD88^{-/-} mice 30 days post-infection revealed substantial interstitial inflammation and varying degrees of necrosis, nevertheless there was also evidence of few small granulomas (Figure 7.5 B). Lungs of wild-type mice showed no signs of necrosis and there was clear visible granuloma formation (Figure 7.4 B). Naïve wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} mice, which were not infected with H37Rv showed no signs of granuloma formation or interstitial inflammation (Figures 7.4 A and 7.5 A).

Thus, in the absence of MyD88, there is uncontrolled growth of *M. tuberculosis* in the lungs, which is consistent with the increased bacterial counts in the lungs of these mice at 30 days post-infection (Figure 7.3, B).

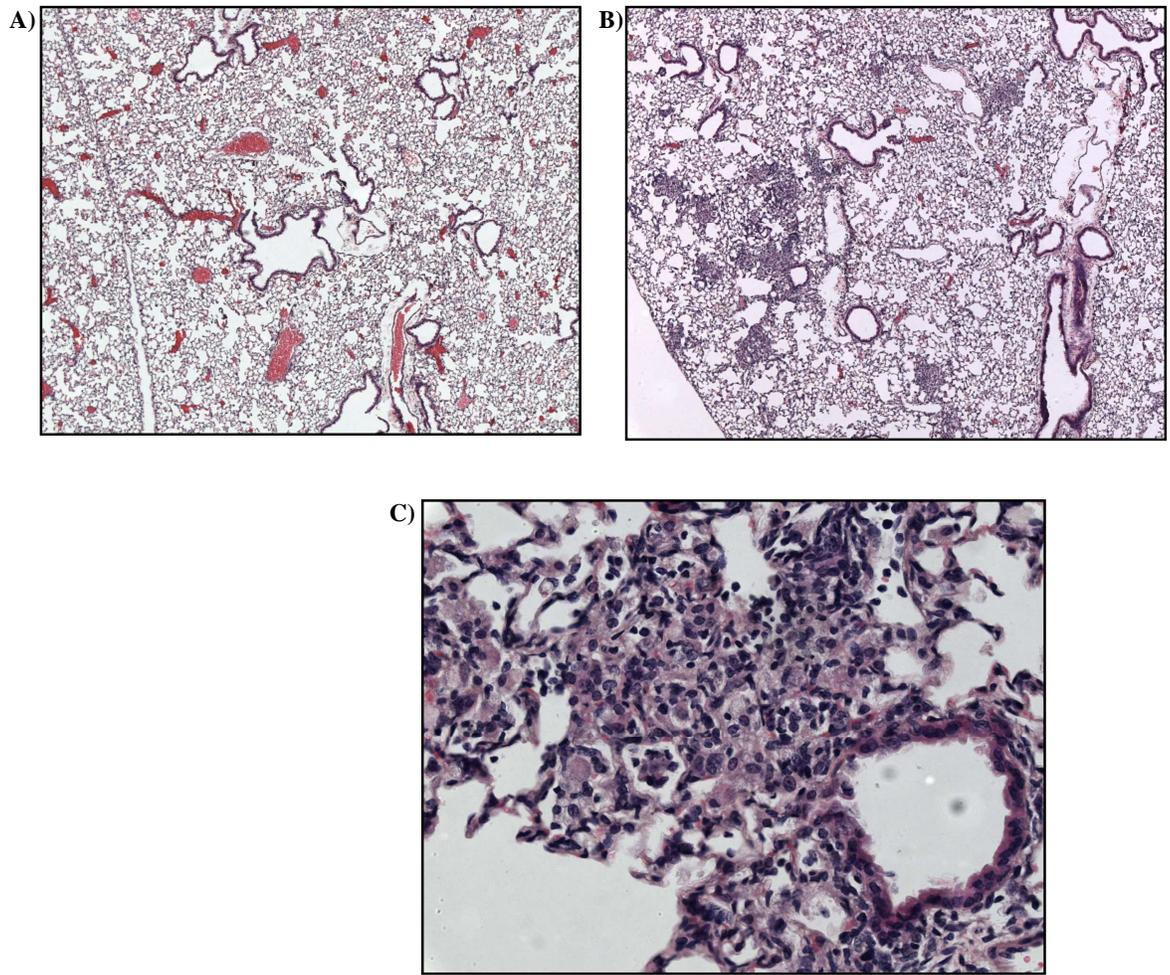


Figure 7.4 – Lung histology of wild-type *M. tuberculosis* infected mice

Lung tissue sections from **A)** naïve mice, **B)** H37Rv infected mice and **C)** H37Rv infected mice (higher magnification x 400), were analysed 30 days post-infection. Representative lung sections from n=3 mice are displayed.

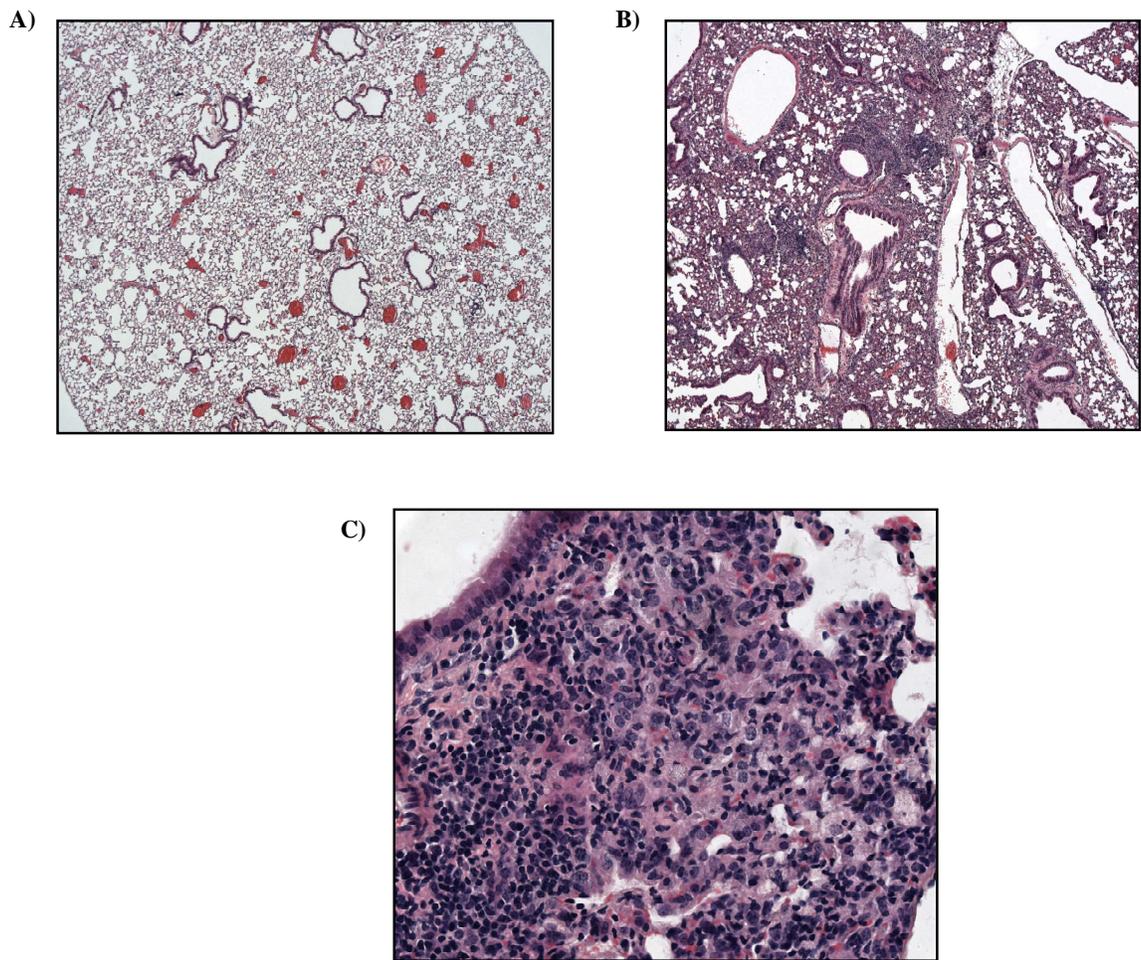


Figure 7.5 – Lung histology of MyD88^{-/-} *M. tuberculosis* infected mice

Lung tissue sections from **A)** naïve mice, **B)** H37Rv infected mice and **C)** H37Rv infected mice (higher magnification x 400), were analysed 30 days post-infection. Representative lung sections from n=3 mice are displayed.

7.5- Discussion

The priming of a T cell immune response and the ability to control the growth of *M. tuberculosis* in the absence of MyD88 was addressed in this chapter. MyD88^{-/-} mice were able to produce comparable IFN- γ responses to wild-type mice, although differences were observed when stimulating with a low antigen dose. However, T cells from MyD88^{-/-} mice were impaired in their ability to proliferate at 30 days post infection although the difference was less obvious at 14 days post-infection. There is also a defect in controlling bacterial growth, as shown by the increased levels of bacterial counts in both lungs and spleens of MyD88^{-/-} mice, at 14 and 30 days post-infection. This is reflected in the histological examination of MyD88^{-/-} mice at 30 days post-infection, where there was increased inflammation and evidence of necrosis in the lungs which is suggestive of uncontrolled growth. Although, in the absence of MyD88 there is priming of T cells this is not protective, as demonstrated by the increased bacterial counts, thus the mice succumb to infection.

Chapter 8

Discussion

Dendritic cells are sentinels of the immune system and as antigen presenting cells; they play a key role in processing and presenting antigens to naïve T cells. Studies have reported that dendritic cells are infected with mycobacteria in the lungs and lymph nodes and furthermore, it has been proposed that dendritic cells contribute to the progression of disease by promoting dissemination of bacilli from the lungs to the draining lymph nodes (Humphreys, Stewart et al. 2006; Wolf, Linas et al. 2007). Previous work done in the lab has demonstrated that dendritic cells are capable of phagocytosing mycobacteria, thus leading to the priming of protective immune responses, which are comparable to or better than immune responses primed by BCG (Roy, De Silva et al. 2006) .

The priming of adaptive immune responses by dendritic cells not only requires the presentation of antigen on MHC-II but also the expression of co-stimulatory molecules on the surface and induction of inflammatory cytokines. These properties are regulated by signalling pathways triggered by the binding of microbial ligands to receptors on dendritic cells. However, there is very little information available regarding the signalling pathways in dendritic cells that play determinant roles in modulating the protective responses following *M. tuberculosis* infection. Thus, a detailed characterisation of the signalling pathways that are induced during the interaction of *M. tuberculosis* and dendritic cells will be crucial in understanding the pathogenesis of infection.

The aim of the work described in this thesis was to use a microarray based approach to map the pattern of transcriptional responses of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs and particular emphasis was placed on identifying signalling pathways that are significantly represented during the interaction between the pathogen and dendritic cells. To assist in the dissection of this complex network, the responses in dendritic cells from wild-type mice were compared to responses from dendritic cells from MyD88^{-/-} mice, a key adaptor of the TLR signalling pathway.

8.1- Transcriptional profiling of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

Transcriptional profiling of *M. tuberculosis* BMDCs was performed using microarrays. Using this approach it was possible to have a global overview of the changes in gene expression of BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, as 39,000 transcripts are represented on a single Affymetrix array.

For this present study, the experimental population of dendritic cells was isolated after 6 days of culture in GM-CSF. Using this method of culture, approximately 70% of the cells were dendritic cells as identified by their expression of CD11c. Using this protocol it was possible to generate a highly reproducible cell population which was suitable for microarray studies. To exclude any possible influence of contaminating cell types, key observations were confirmed using real-time PCR analysis on a population of dendritic cells that were further purified by positive selection using anti-CD11c magnetic beads.

All the microarray analysis was carried out at 24 hours post-infection, based on previous knowledge from the lab and time course analysis of cytokine induction. The signalling pathways under study are clearly dynamic processes and the absence of time course for the microarray analysis represents an important limitation. A multiplicity of infection of 10 bacteria per cell was selected for microarray studies, based on initial experiments measuring cytokine expression. This represents a relatively high dose of *M. tuberculosis*, but was found to generate clearly detectable and reproducible transcriptional changes.

8.2- Signalling pathways induced in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

An overview of the transcriptional pathways in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs, highlighted three major pathways: the TLR signalling pathway, the JAK-STAT signalling pathway and the cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction pathway. The role of TLR signalling in the immune response to mycobacteria has been extensively documented. Thus, significant

representation of the TLR signalling pathway is not surprising, as TLRs are important in recognising conserved microbial structures thus playing a critical role in the induction of innate immune responses in the host (Medzhitov 2001). Interestingly, the expression of TLR 2 and TLR 4 which are known to be important in recognising mycobacterial components were down regulated in the absence of MyD88 and up regulated in wild-type BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Figures 4.5 and 5.7). The expression levels of TLRs have been previously demonstrated to vary between different populations of immune cells. Monocytes in response to LPS increase TLR 4 expression at 2-4 hour post-stimulation (Muzio, Bosisio et al. 2000). However, human dendritic cells were reported to down regulate TLRs during the course of maturation (Visintin, Mazzoni et al. 2001) and similarly, macrophages down regulated TLR4 expression in response to LPS at early time points, with expression levels almost equal to un-stimulated cells by 20 hours post-stimulation (Nomura, Akashi et al. 2000). So it is evident that the TLR expression varies quite considerably with different immune cells and, if down regulation of TLRs is a process associated with dendritic cell maturation, then the question remains as to why the wild-type BMDCs which clearly mature in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, as indicated by the up-regulation of co-stimulatory molecules and production of inflammatory cytokines, up regulate TLR 2 and 4.

8.2.1- Activation of BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection

TLR signalling results in the activation of NF κ B driven expression of genes encoding a series of inflammatory cytokines and co-stimulatory molecules, which are involved in the interaction between mature dendritic cells and T cells. Using a bioinformatics approach it was possible to screen for known transcriptional response elements in the upstream region of induced genes (TELiS analysis). This analysis highlighted an important role for NF κ B and IRFs. Consistent with the induction of NF κ B signalling, genes encoding CD80, CD86 and MHC-II (Figure 3.3) were up regulated in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. The induction of these activation markers was comparable between wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Figure 5.2) in response to infection. These

observations are in accordance with previous studies which demonstrated that up regulation of co-stimulatory molecules is independent of MyD88 (Kaisho and Akira 2001; Fremont, Yermeev et al. 2004). In contrast to the observations in BMDCs, it has been previously reported that macrophages infected with *M. tuberculosis* or stimulated with the 19kDa lipoprotein are defective in their ability to up-regulate MHC-II and furthermore that these stimulants reduced IFN- γ mediated expression of CD86 expression on macrophages (Pai, Pennini et al. 2004).

Cytokines are important mediators of immune responses against various pathogens. In response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, significant levels of inflammatory cytokines were produced by wild-type BMDCs (Figures 3.4, 3.5 and 3.6). In contrast, there was impaired production of IL-12p40, IL-6 and TNF- α by *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs and IL-10 and IL-12p70 were undetectable in the absence of MyD88 (Figures 5.3 and 5.4). IL-10 expression at the mRNA and protein was similar in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} *M. tuberculosis* infected macrophages (Shi, Blumenthal et al. 2005) but in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection, BMDCs up regulated IL-10 by a factor of 40.2 fold in wild-type BMDCs and 34.39 fold in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, as shown by real-time PCR analysis, thus suggesting a MyD88 independent expression of IL-10. However, the production of IL-10 cytokine was dependent on the MyD88 signalling pathway as there was no measurable IL-10 in *M. tuberculosis* infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

A recent report suggests that dendritic cells are able to induce high levels of IL-12 production by remodelling the IL-12p40 promoter in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection signalling via TLR 9 (Pompei, Jang et al. 2007). Induction of IL-6 and IL-10 production is predominantly mediated via TLR 2 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Jang, Uematsu et al. 2004). MyD88 is an essential adaptor for signalling via a number of TLRs especially TLR 2 and TLR 9 and thus in the absence of MyD88 signalling via these TLRs is impaired. This could be a contributing factor for the reduction of IL-6 and the reason for the IL-10 being undetected in response to infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs.

High levels of IL-6 and TNF- α production following *M. tuberculosis* infection were detected as early as 6 hours post-infection in wild-type BMDCs but maximum cytokine production was not detected until 48 hours in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Figure 5.3), thus clearly indicating a severe delay in the production of these cytokines. Since NF κ B has been strongly implicated in the transcriptional regulation of an array of cytokines including IL-6, the observed delay in cytokine production is possibly due to the delayed NF κ B activation that is observed during induction of signalling via the MyD88 independent pathway (Covert, Leung et al. 2005). This delay in activation of NF κ B has been attributed to the time required for IRF-3 mediated TNF- α expression, which subsequently binds to the TNF receptors and mediates NF κ B activation (Covert, Leung et al. 2005).

The induction of TNF- α production in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs was considerably reduced in the absence of MyD88 in comparison to wild-type BMDCs, which correlates with the reduced induction of TNF- α mRNA in the absence of MyD88 (Figure 5.7, A). These results are suggestive of a MyD88 dependent pathway for the induction of TNF- α at the mRNA and protein level. The dependence on MyD88 for post-transcriptional control is in agreement with studies in *M. tuberculosis* infected macrophages but in contrast, the induction of TNF- α gene was found to be independent of MyD88 in infected macrophages (Shi, Blumenthal et al. 2005).

Studies have suggested that inhibition of phosphoinositide-3 kinase (PI3K) leads to the reduction in LPS induced secretion of TNF- α and similar results were also obtained for MyD88 independent induction of TNF- α in adenovirus infected BMDCs (Philpott, Nociari et al. 2004). PI3K(p85 α regulatory subunit) was up regulated by a factor of 2.54 in wild-type BMDCs and 4.91 fold in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Thus it is plausible that TNF- α induction in the absence of MyD88 occurs via a PI3K induction pathway during *M. tuberculosis* infection.

As illustrated in figure 8.1, it is reasonable to believe that in wild-type BMDCs, triggering the MyD88 dependent pathway of NF κ B activation (Baltimore, 2005) accounts for the optimal cytokine production in response to infection. However, the delay in cytokine production observed in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection correlates with delayed NF κ B activation via the MyD88 independent pathway (Covert, Leung et al. 2005). With the increased expression of PI3K in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection, it is plausible that signalling via PI3K contributes to the production of TNF- α in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. But the receptor that is involved in the induction of PI3K signalling pathway, in the context of *M. tuberculosis* infection of BMDCs, has yet to be determined.

The production of pro-inflammatory cytokines such as IL-12 by dendritic cells clearly has a role in triggering an effective protective immune response to *M. tuberculosis*. This inflammatory response is balanced by anti-inflammatory cytokines such as IL-10, in order to limit the immunopathology during *M. tuberculosis* infection. Wild-type BMDCs are activated in response to infection, as shown by the production of inflammatory cytokines and up-regulation of CD80, CD86 and MHC-II. In the absence of MyD88, BMDCs up regulate co-stimulatory molecule expression and enhance their T cell stimulatory activity, but it is clear that optimal production of inflammatory cytokines is dependent on MyD88. Overall, these results confirm and extend previous reports of the role of TLR-signalling and NF κ B mediated transcription of inflammatory cytokine response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

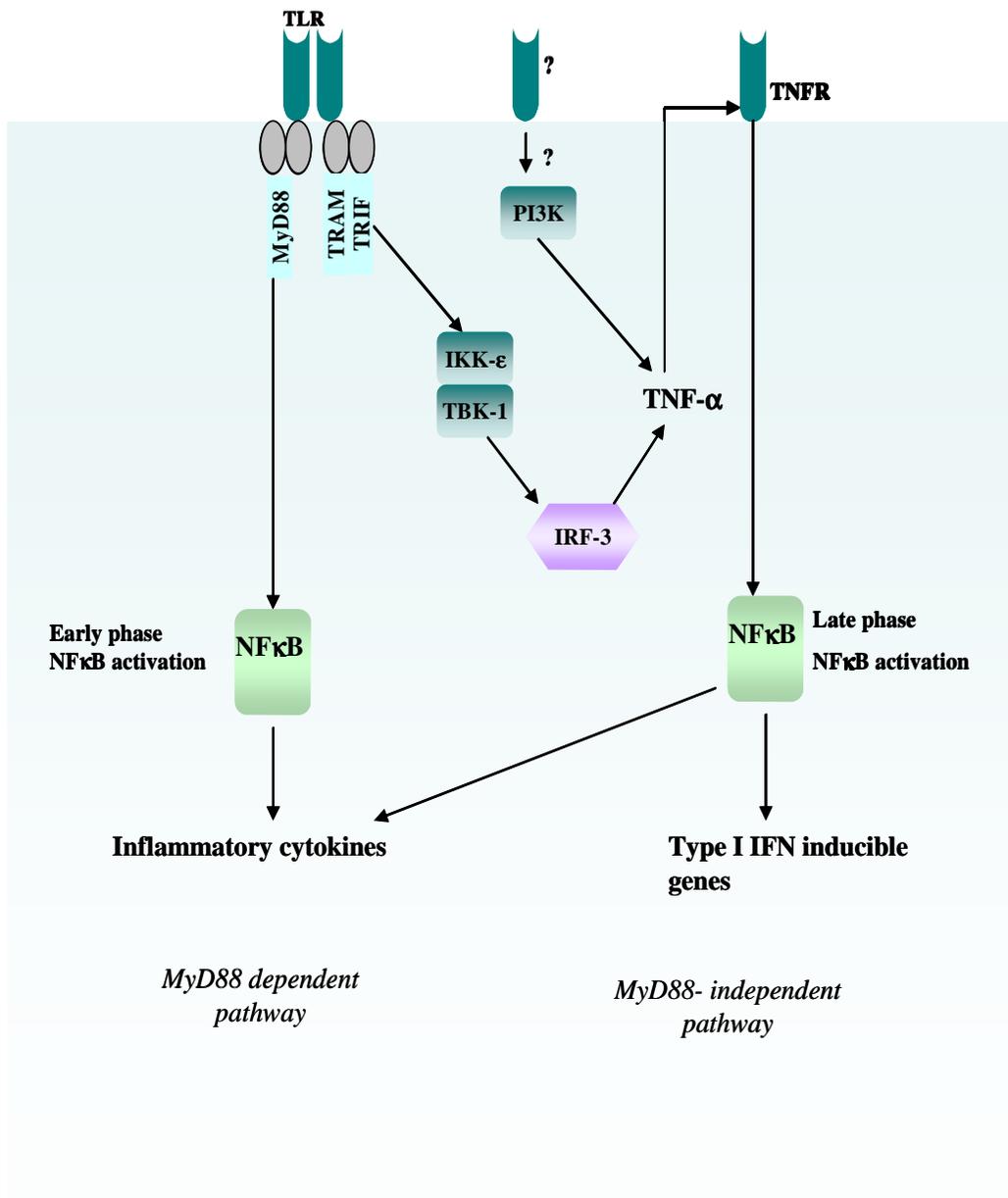


Figure 8.1- MyD88 dependent and independent pathway mediated activation of NFκB

Triggering the activation of NFκB can be mediated by the MyD88 dependent signalling pathway or independent of MyD88 via the induction of TNF-α.

8.3- Induction of IFN alpha and IFN beta in the absence of MyD88

While the role of NF κ B mediated transcription in the response to mycobacterial infection is well known, the major contribution of IRFs to the transcription profile was unexpected. In this data, IRF mediated transcription of the type I IFN pathway was a significant feature of the microarray data obtained in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Type I IFNs are usually associated with responses to viruses with type II interferons being coupled to mycobacterial responses. Previous studies have demonstrated, that the Esx-1 secretion system is required for the induction of IFN beta in macrophages and a reduction in the ability to produce type I IFNs was associated with an increased capacity to limit the replication of *M. tuberculosis* (Stanley, Johndrow et al. 2007). Additionally it has been demonstrated that high levels of IFN alpha were induced by HN878 (Beijing family), a hypervirulent strain of *M. tuberculosis*. This increased induction of IFN alpha has been associated with the decreased induction of IL-12 (Manca, Tsenova et al. 2001) . The type I IFN response in murine dendritic cells in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection has not been clearly addressed.

Analysis of the microarray expression profile revealed a prominent IFN signature as part of the dendritic cell based immune responses, including up regulation of the major transcription factor IRF-7. Microarray results were corroborated with real-time PCR, which showed significant up regulation of IRF-7 and IRF-3 (the other key type I IFN pathway regulator) at 24 hours post-infection in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. Analysis at different time points using real-time PCR demonstrated an initial transient down regulation of IRF-3, followed by the up regulation of IRF-3 at 24 hours post-infection (Figures 4.8 and 5.8). In contrast, the expression of IRF-3 was highly induced at the protein level at early time points, with decreased expression at 24 hours post-infection (Figure 6.2) in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. This is associated with proteasomal degradation of IRF-3 (Hiscott, Pitha et al. 1999). IRF-7 was induced by 24 hours post-infection in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs, thus suggesting a delay in the induction of this transcription factor in comparison to IRF-3. This observation is consistent with the biphasic induction of type I IFNs,

where the level of IRF-7 is increased after the induction of the type I IFN mediated amplification loop (Marie, Durbin et al. 1998).

Type I interferons induce their synthesis by activating both STAT 1 and STAT 2, both of which are key players in the type I IFN pathway and are up regulated by a factor of 3 fold or more in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Table 5.7). Activation of the type I IFN signalling pathway led to the comparable production of IFN beta in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Tables 4.10 and 5.10). In contrast, IFN alpha production was detected at later time points post-infection only in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Figure 5.11), although IFN alpha was induced at the mRNA level in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} dendritic cells (Figure 5.11). This induction of type I IFNs in BMDCs is similar to a study, which demonstrated that human dendritic cells can produce type I IFNs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection (Remoli, Giacomini et al. 2002).

IRF-7 is critical in inducing IFN alpha gene expression (Honda, Yanai et al. 2005) and is necessary for the induction of late response IFN alpha genes (non-IFN alpha 4 genes) which requires ongoing protein synthesis. IFN alpha 4 (early response gene) expression and IFN alpha 2, 7 and 9 (late response gene) expression was comparable in both MyD88^{-/-} and wild-type BMDCs in response to infection (Figures 4.10 and 5.10) Thus, it is plausible that the expression of IRF-7 even in the absence of MyD88 is responsible for the similar expression of IFN alpha genes in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

The results demonstrate the overall dominance of the IRF and NFκB mediated transcription, which is retained even in the absence of MyD88, in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. The induction of IFN alpha and beta in dendritic cells is independent of MyD88 in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection.

8.4- Expression of type I IFN inducible genes as an integral part of the dendritic cell based immune response

Detailed analysis of the microarray data revealed a subset of type I IFN inducible genes which were differentially regulated in wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection. Key genes involved in anti-viral immunity were up regulated in wild-type BMDCs in response to infection which included the OAS family of genes which are important in the activation of RNase L leading to the degradation of viral RNA, Pkr (RNA dependent protein kinase) and Mx2 (family of GTPases), both which are activated by type I IFNs. In contrast, these genes did not exhibit a significant change in expression in infected MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Table 5.9).

In the absence of MyD88, a subset of type I IFN inducible genes are still induced in response to *M. tuberculosis* some of which share similar expression patterns to wild-type mice. Type I IFN induced genes commonly induced in wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs include genes involved in signalling (STAT-1, STAT-2, IRF-7, Traf3, Ifih1), antiviral activities (G1p2, Isg20), cytokines/chemokines (CXCL10, Ebi3, IL12b, IL6, Ifnb1, Ifna2, Ifna4, Ifna7, Ifna9), MHC antigen processing and presentation (H2-q10, Tap1, Psme2) and immune response genes (Ifit1, Ifi35).

Although a number of IFN beta and IFN alpha genes and key signalling molecules (IRF-7) were induced in the absence of MyD88^{-/-} there still exists a clear defect in the induction of OAS, Pkr, Mx proteins, which are well characterised and considered to be key anti-viral immune response genes. Previous studies have demonstrated that TLR3 and TLR 4 can induce expression of a set of IFN inducible genes in macrophages, which were classified as 'primary response genes' - IFN beta, CXCL10, G1p2 and Ifit1 (up regulated by 2 hours in response to LPS stimulation in the presence of cycloheximide) or 'secondary

response genes'-Mx1, Ifi1 and IRF-7 (induced after 2 hours, sensitive to cycloheximide treatment) (Doyle, Vaidya et al. 2002).

As illustrated in figure 8.2, type I IFN primary response genes are induced in both wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection albeit at lower levels in the absence of MyD88. It is reasonable to believe that a delay or suppression in the amplification loop mechanism may lead to the down regulation or lack of expression of the secondary response genes in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs (Figure 8.2). This observation is further highlighted by the unchanged expression of the transcript for IRF-9 in MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs. IRF-9 is part of the transcriptional complex in the amplification loop mediating the transcription of the secondary response genes. However, the expression of IRF-7 is comparable between wild-type and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs in response to infection.

In general, although minor differences do exist in the induction of type I IFN inducible genes, it can be concluded that the type I IFN response to *M. tuberculosis* infection is predominantly MyD88 independent.

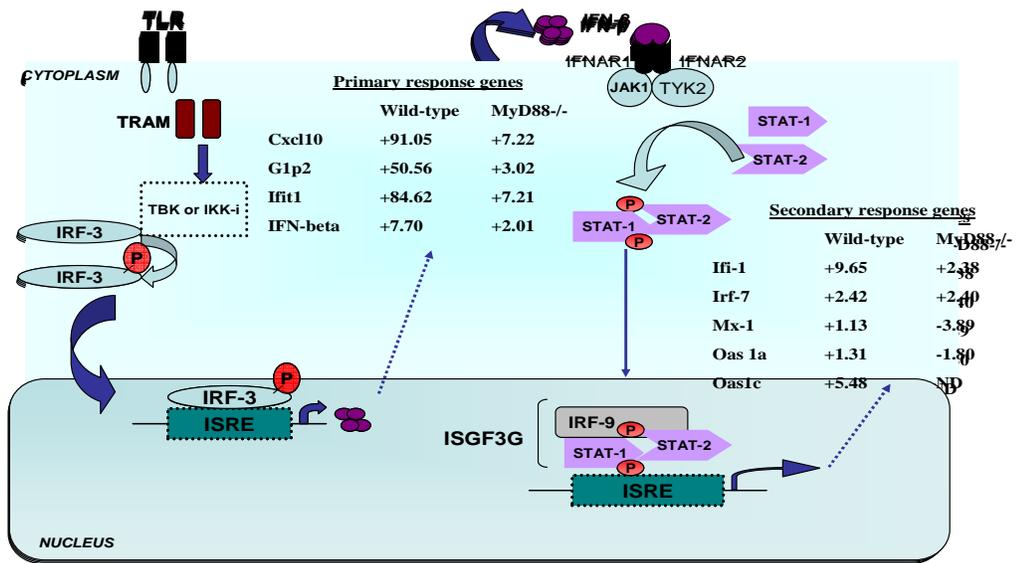


Figure 8.2- Induction of type I IFN primary and secondary response genes in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs

IRF-3 induces the expression of a set of primary response genes including IFN beta which binds to the IFN (alpha and beta receptor) and induces the expression of secondary response genes. All the fold change values for the genes were obtained from microarray and real-time PCR data. ND- change in expression of the gene is not statistically significant.

8.5-Priming of anti-mycobacterial T-cells in the absence of MyD88

The induction of type I IFNs in the absence of MyD88 prompted the study of the role the MyD88 in priming anti-mycobacterial T cell responses. Innate immune responses were impaired in MyD88^{-/-} mice infected with *M. avium* and during H37Rv infection even though there was priming of acquired immune responses (Fremond, Yermeev et al. 2004; Scanga, Bafica et al. 2004). In contrast, (Sugawara, Yamada et al. 2003) found that MyD88^{-/-} mice were not highly susceptible to *M. tuberculosis* infection. The difference between the report by Sugawara et al and others was attributed to the different *M. tuberculosis* strains that were used for infection and the background strain of the knockout mice.

In this study, in response to antigen stimulation, there was reduced proliferation of T cells from MyD88^{-/-} mice when compared to T cells from wild-type mice, although T cells from MyD88^{-/-} mice produced almost equivalent levels of IFN- γ to wild-type mice when stimulated with a high antigen dose (Figures 7.1 and 7.2).. However, there were significantly increased bacterial counts in the spleens at 14 days and lungs at 30 days post-infection which is also reflected in the histology. Increased necrotic lesions at 30 days in the lungs of MyD88^{-/-} mice signified the uncontrolled growth of the bacteria in these mice. One of the reasons associated with the inability of controlling bacterial loads could be the defective cytokine production from key antigen presenting cells such as dendritic cells. The impaired cytokine production could also contribute to the inefficient T cell proliferation observed in MyD88^{-/-} mice (Figure 7.1). Furthermore, the production of IL-6 has been suggested to be important in rendering pathogen primed T cells refractory to T cell mediated suppression (Pasare and Medzhitov 2003); the induction of this cytokine is severely impaired from MyD88^{-/-} dendritic cells in response to infection (Figure 5.3, B). Recently, it has also been demonstrated that impaired signalling through the IL-1 receptor also contributes to the defective control of *M. tuberculosis* infection which is similar to that seen in MyD88^{-/-} mice (Fremond, Togbe et al. 2007).

Thus, in the presence of a strong T cell response (IFN- γ production), MyD88^{-/-} mice still had elevated levels of bacterial counts which were more prominent at 30 days post infection. This phenomenon could be attributed to the defective cytokine production from key antigen presenting cells like dendritic cells which are required for the long term control of the infection and also to the IL-1 receptor signalling pathway which is also impaired in the absence of MyD88.

8.6- Conclusions

Global gene expression analysis has enabled the identification of signalling pathways known to be important in the dendritic cell based immune responses including the TLR signalling pathway and type I IFN pathway, with IRFs and NF κ B being the primary transcription factors responsible for the modulation of the transcriptional changes in response to infection. This is clearly a dynamic process and the focus of the present analysis on a single time point at 24 hours after infection probably underestimates the overall complexity. Restriction of analysis to the transcriptional responses also fails to capture information about changes in protein phosphorylation and subcellular location.

Analysis of the process of *M. tuberculosis* infection of dendritic cells by expression profiling identifies two major transcriptional themes: a prominent pro-inflammatory cytokine response leading from the activation of the NF κ B which contributes to the induction of a Th-1 response associated with resistance to mycobacterial infection, and the induction of the type I IFN response which is via IRF-mediated pathways. Interestingly, the induction of type I IFNs is predominantly independent of MyD88 in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs although the expression of important anti-viral genes is impaired in the absence of MyD88.

In the absence of MyD88, T cell stimulatory (up regulation of CD80, CD86 and MHC-II) and migration capability of mature dendritic cells is intact,

however, another aspect of dendritic cell maturation response including optimum inflammatory cytokine production from BMDCs is dependent on MyD88. In accord with previous macrophage studies, MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs retain in large part their ability to recognise and respond to mycobacterial infections. It is reasonable to speculate that as yet unidentified receptors may contribute to the responses observed in a MyD88 independent manner, alongside signalling via the TRAM/TRIF pathway as described for TLR 4.

Thus, the type I IFN response appears to be an integral part of the dendritic cell based immune response and hence understanding the role of these cytokines during mycobacterial infections will be crucial.

In general, deciphering the mechanisms of interaction between mycobacteria and dendritic cells, with particular reference to the signalling pathways that are evoked, will aid in understanding the modulation of host mediated immune responses to this highly adapted intracellular pathogen. An understanding of these mechanisms of immune actions can be an important step forward in designing new therapeutic approaches as well as improving vaccine design.

8.7- Future perspectives

The work presented in this thesis provides an opportunity to characterise the type I IFN mediated response which has been demonstrated to be induced in the absence of MyD88 in *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs. The role of type I IFNs during mycobacterial infection is not well understood. It has been previously reported that the HN878, Beijing family of *M. tuberculosis* induced high levels of type I IFNs but in contrast, a recent report suggests that type I IFN production is not unique to the Beijing family but is also induced by other strains of *M. tuberculosis* (Manca, Tsenova et al. 2001; Ordway, Henao-Tamayo et al. 2007). It will be interesting to explore the nature of events responsible for the activation of the type I IFN pathway, as it has been reported that the induction of type I IFNs involves the *esx-1* secretion system which is a major determinant of virulence in *M. tuberculosis* (Stanley, Johndrow et al. 2007).

If the type I IFN response is indeed deleterious to protective immunity, understanding the underlying recognition pathway for the induction of type I IFNs would be crucial. Interpreting the cross-talk between MyD88 independent and type I IFN pathways will be important in understanding the events that lead to the development of cell mediated immunity.

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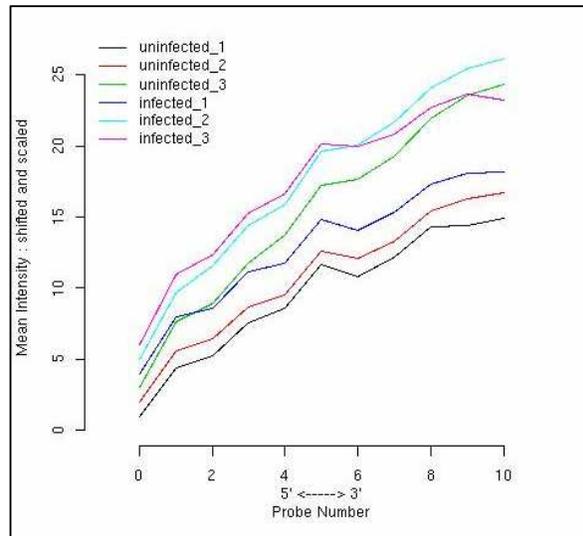
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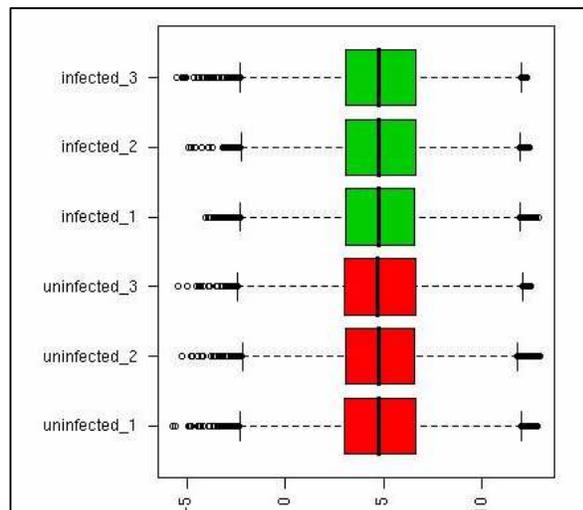
Appendix-I – Affymetrix quality control plots- Wild-type BMDCs

RNA digestion plot of wild-type BMDCs



The RNA plots are typical of one cycle amplification and there are no apparent signs of RNA degradation thus indicating a good quality of RNA.

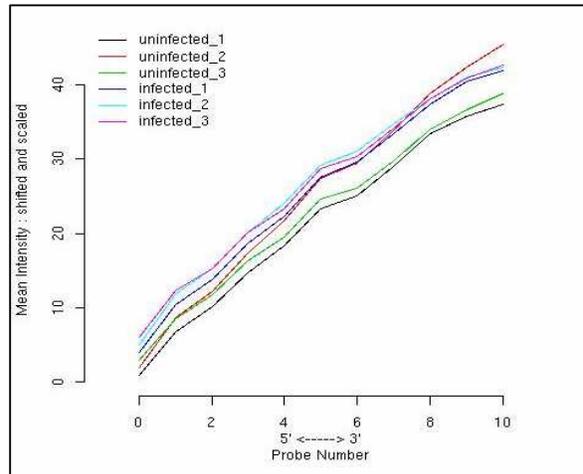
Box plot of wild-type BMDCs



The box plot indicates some variation in the mean intensity value but this was reduced after the normalisation. Generally, the replicates are in good agreement with each other.

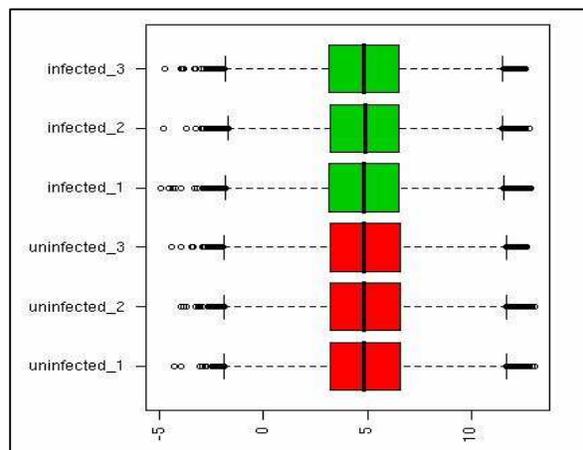
Appendix-II -Affymterix quality control plots- MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

RNA digestion plot of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs



The RNA plots are typical of two cycle amplification and the digestion plot indicates a good quality of RNA.

Box plot of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs



The box plots indicate that the replicates are in good agreement with each other.

Appendix- III- Western Blot reagents

NuPage LDS (Lithium dodecyl sulphate) Sample buffer

Glycerol-10%,
Tris Base-141 mM
Tris HCl-106 mM
LDS-2%
EDTA-0.51 mM
SERVA® Blue G250-0.22 mM
Phenol Red-0.175 mM
pH 8.5

Tris-Glycine Buffer SDS running buffer

25 mM Tris (pH 8.3)
192 mM glycine
0.1% SDS

10% Tris-HCL gels

10% resolving gel
4% stacking gel

Transfer buffer

25mM Tris (3.03g)
192mM glycine (14.4g)
20% v/v methanol (200ml)
Add distilled water to 1 litre (pH 8.3)

Appendix-IV- KEGG pathways- Wild-type BMDCs

KEGG pathway list identified from microarray analysis of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs (wild-type)

Genes overlapping with Pathways	p value
Toll-like receptor signaling pathway	8.68E-12
Jak-STAT signaling pathway	1.17E-10
Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction	2.06E-09
Type I diabetes mellitus	3.44E-06
Hematopoietic cell lineage	1.14E-04
Antigen processing and presentation	4.89E-04
Cell adhesion molecules (CAMs)	7.68E-04
Adipocytokine signaling pathway	1.01E-03
Type II diabetes mellitus	9.52E-03
ABC transporters	1.17E-02
Apoptosis	2.05E-02
Phosphatidylinositol signaling system	2.25E-02
B cell receptor signaling pathway	6.45E-02
mTOR signaling pathway	6.49E-02
T cell receptor signaling pathway	9.62E-02
Focal adhesion	1.10E-01
Natural killer cell mediated cytotoxicity	1.17E-01
MAPK signaling pathway	1.47E-01
Notch signaling pathway	1.76E-01
Complement and coagulation cascades	1.80E-01
Cell cycle	2.94E-01
ECM-receptor interaction	3.04E-01
Neuroactive ligand-receptor interaction	4.12E-01
Fc epsilon RI signaling pathway	5.36E-01
TGF-beta signaling pathway	5.50E-01
VEGF signaling pathway	5.71E-01
Leukocyte transendothelial migration	5.81E-01
Regulation of actin cytoskeleton	6.35E-01
Wnt signaling pathway	7.71E-01

Appendix-V- KEGG pathways- MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

KEGG pathway list identified from microarray analysis of *M. tuberculosis* infected BMDCs (MyD88^{-/-})

KEGG pathways	p-value
Jak-STAT signaling pathway	6.52E-11
Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction	1.02E-09
Toll-like receptor signaling pathway	7.45E-09
B cell receptor signaling pathway	1.97E-06
T cell receptor signaling pathway	1.05E-05
Complement and coagulation cascades	4.31E-05
Focal adhesion	1.32E-04
Leukocyte transendothelial migration	2.94E-04
Cell cycle	3.27E-04
Apoptosis	4.93E-04
Hematopoietic cell lineage	1.98E-03
Cell adhesion molecules (CAMs)	2.85E-03
ABC transporters	3.05E-03
Proteasome	6.12E-03
mTOR signaling pathway	1.54E-02
Natural killer cell mediated cytotoxicity	1.90E-02
ECM-receptor interaction	2.10E-02
SNARE interactions in vesicular transport	2.18E-02
Adipocytokine signaling pathway	2.22E-02
Regulation of actin cytoskeleton	2.56E-02
MAPK signaling pathway	3.91E-02
Fc epsilon RI signaling pathway	4.02E-02
Phosphatidylinositol signaling system	5.96E-02
Type II diabetes mellitus	7.29E-02
Type I diabetes mellitus	8.37E-02
Atrazine degradation	1.42E-01
Gap junction	1.51E-01
TGF-beta signaling pathway	1.76E-01
VEGF signaling pathway	2.14E-01
Tight junction	2.41E-01
Antigen processing and presentation	3.81E-01
Cell Communication	9.09E-01
Adherens junction	9.80E-01

Appendix- VI- Normalised gene values

Type I IFN inducible genes commonly represented in both C57BL/6 and MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

The normalised values for the type I IFN inducible genes (pooled from microarray and real-time PCR data) in both uninfected and H37Rv10:1 (infected) groups are displayed.

Affymetrix ID	Normalised gene values				Common name	Description	
	Wild-type		MyD88 ^{-/-}				
	Uninfected	Infected	Uninfected	Infected			
1423555_a_at	0.03	3.41	0.37	1.71	A430056A10Rik	interferon-induced protein 44	} Antiviral immunity
1418240_at	0.5	1.98	0.48	1.41	Gbp2	guanylate nucleotide binding protein 2	
1450783_at	0.03	3.05	0.23	1.72	Ifit1	interferon-induced protein with tetratricopeptide repeats 1	
1419569_a_at	0.1	3.42	0.18	1.87	Isg20	interferon-stimulated protein 20	
1424339_at	0.05	2.84	0.13	1.87	Oasl1	2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase-like 1	
1418587_at	0.7	1.4	0.21	1.67	Traf3	Tnf receptor-associated factor 3	
1418930_at	0.03	3.35	0.26	1.89	Cxcl10	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 10	} Cytokines and chemokines
1449497_at	0.16	1.91	0.20	2.47	Il12b	interleukin 12b	
1417244_a_at	0.03	2.25	0.32	1.71	Irf7	interferon regulatory factor 7	} IRFs and Type I IFN pathway
1420915_at	0.33	1.79	0.53	1.35	Stat1	signal transducer and activator of transcription 1	
1421911_at	0.21	2.14	0.42	1.42	Stat2	signal transducer and activator of transcription 2	
1426324_at	0.78	1.4	0.67	1.49	H2-Q10	histocompatibility 2, D region locus 1	} Antigen processing and presentation via MHC-I
1417189_at	0.73	1.47	0.45	1.43	Psme2	proteasome (prosome, macropain) 28 subunit, beta	
1416016_at	0.6	1.74	0.40	1.36	Tap1	transporter 1, ATP-binding cassette, sub-family B (MDR/TAP)	
1434268_at	0.62	1.61	0.78	1.65	Adar	adenosine deaminase, RNA-specific	} Regulation of transcription
1450744_at	0.59	1.56	0.42	1.69	Ell2	elongation factor RNA polymerase II 2	
1435446_a_at	0.58	1.56	0.73	1.36	Chpt1	choline phosphotransferase 1	} Miscellaneous
1451426_at	0.2	2.48	0.37	1.52	D11Lgp2e	DNA segment, Chr 11, Lothar Hennighausen 2, expressed	
1422433_s_at	1.32	0.74	1.70	0.68	Idh1	isocitrate dehydrogenase 1 (NADP+), soluble	
1421207_at	0.52	1.53	0.20	2.10	Lif		
1452178_at	0.37	2.25	0.56	1.26	Plec1	plectin 1	
1434015_at	0.48	1.6	0.61	1.24	Slc2a6	solute carrier family 2 (facilitated glucose transporter), member 6	
1417961_a_at	0.21	1.78	0.58	1.49	Trim30	tripartite motif protein 30	
1418191_at	0.31	2.22	0.34	1.53	Usp18	ubiquitin specific peptidase 18	

Appendix- VII- Complete gene list of differentially regulated genes in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of wild-type BMDCs

All genes have a fold change of 1.4 and a p value ≤ 0.05 .

Affymetrix Id	Fold change	Common name	Affymetrix Id	Fold change	Common name	Affymetrix Id	Fold change	Common name
1435529_at	136.3	201002M12Rik	1440866_at	10.62		1426906_at	5.465	Ifi203
1417262_at	136	Ptgs2	1429947_a_at	10.56	Zbp1	1422293_a_at	5.354	4933402K10Rik
1418930_at	91.05	Cxcl10	1444350_at	10.53	9830137M10Rik	1422005_at	5.347	Prkr
1423555_a_at	90.56	A430056A10Rik	1421911_at	10.22	Stat2	1450033_a_at	5.346	Stat1
1450783_at	84.62	Ifit1	1422526_at	10.01	Acs1	1421307_at	5.335	Car13
1418652_at	81.27	Cxcl9	1441887_x_at	9.822	Sh3bgr1	1425405_a_at	5.305	Adar
1450291_s_at	71.12	Ms4a4c	1449134_s_at	9.729	Spic	1439141_at	5.251	Gpr18
1420671_x_at	68.61	Ms4a4b	1424393_s_at	9.692	Adhfe1	1422668_at	5.228	Serpib9b
1427381_at	65.92	Irg1	1418825_at	9.655	Ifi1	1434991_at	5.223	1110064L07Rik
1417244_a_at	65.58	Irf7	1451777_at	9.618	BC013672	1448681_at	5.215	Il15ra
1418293_at	62.53	Ifi2	1448918_at	9.557	Slco3a1	1447649_x_at	5.211	Dnajc1
1424339_at	56.58	Oas1	1452879_at	9.505	Synpo2	1449317_at	5.206	Cflar
1431591_s_at	56.11	G1p2	1455656_at	9.39	Btla	1420915_at	5.099	Stat1
1417263_at	54.26	Ptgs2	1453757_at	9.388	2510038N07Rik	1445271_at	5.037	9230105E10Rik
1417314_s_at	50.13	H2-Bf	1420664_s_at	9.319	Procr	1419758_at	4.965	Abcb1a
1450322_s_at	48	Sfn4	1450643_s_at	9.295	Acs1	1448881_at	4.955	Hp
1427102_at	44.39	Sfn4	1441206_at	9.191	Synpo2	1421998_at	4.951	Tor3a
1419043_a_at	43.63	AW111922	1415806_at	8.776	Plat	1421550_a_at	4.95	Trim34
1421009_at	42.1	2510004L01Rik	1436562_at	8.523	Ddx58	1441923_s_at	4.884	Edn3
1422095_a_at	40.94	Tyki	1417961_a_at	8.49	Trim30	1424857_a_at	4.884	Trim34
1419209_at	39.65	Cxcl1	1439620_at	8.429	Car13	1450214_at	4.878	Adora2b
1449009_at	38.22	Tgtp	1450454_at	8.005	Tor3a	1420466_at	4.79	Sp2
1421008_at	36.92	2510004L01Rik	1425065_at	8.005	Oas2	1425686_at	4.768	Cflar
1419042_at	36.25	AW111922	1419149_at	7.801	Serpine1	1460603_at	4.746	AA175286
1455451_at	33.16	AI449310	1451564_at	7.643	1600029O10Rik	1419534_at	4.739	Olr1
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1438868_at	28.77	Phf11	1450403_at	7.442	Stat2	1451798_at	4.638	Il1rn
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1425890_at	25.9	Ly6i	1428660_s_at	7.214	Tor3a	1417193_at	4.577	Sod2
1436058_at	24.31	2510004L01Rik	1437176_at	7.181	AI451557	1448610_a_at	4.548	Sod2
1449497_at	23.95	Il12b	1431865_a_at	7.153	4933405K07Rik	1424448_at	4.547	Trim6
1427126_at	23.83	Hspa1b	1418191_at	7.15	Usp18	1448940_at	4.542	Trim21
1438676_at	23.76	AI595338	1421744_at	7.105	Tnfsf4	1434087_at	4.53	Mthfr
1427127_x_at	23.46	Hspa1b	1418612_at	7.073	Sfn1	1422953_at	4.528	Fpr-rs2
1447927_at	21.11	AI595338	1426276_at	7.067	9130009C22Rik	1453472_a_at	4.495	Slamf7
1420768_a_at	21.02	D11Lgp2e	1421308_at	7.043	Car13	1423566_a_at	4.494	Hsp105
1423467_x_at	20.41	Ms4a4b	1420591_at	6.996	Gpr84	1449168_a_at	4.465	Akap2
1455452_x_at	18.75	AI449310	1451780_at	6.966	Blnk	1448380_at	4.447	Lgals3bp
1452388_at	18.38	Hspa1a	1426774_at	6.944	Zc3hdc1	1421854_at	4.425	Fgl2
1450826_a_at	17.99	Saa3	1424923_at	6.705	Serpina3g	1419026_at	4.402	Daxx
1449399_a_at	17.6	Il1b	1451050_at	6.508	Nt5c3	1450295_s_at	4.354	D7Erd458e
1451054_at	17.21	Orm1	1425719_a_at	6.491	Nmi	1417300_at	4.34	Smpd13b
1436172_at	17.06		1422160_at	6.477	H2-T24	1454197_a_at	4.301	D19Erd678e
1456494_a_at	16.95	LOC209387	1419607_at	6.424	Tnf	1430300_at	4.298	Scd1
1443698_at	16.92		1423017_a_at	6.351	Il1rn	1423905_at	4.284	D7Erd458e
1425374_at	16.71	Oas3	1450672_a_at	6.335	Trex1	1456164_at	4.269	AW011738
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1438716_at	15.32	LOC209387	1423883_at	6.116	Acs1	1424289_at	4.236	BC010311
1426633_s_at	15.31	D7Erd760e	1416515_at	6.063	Fscn1	1416572_at	4.21	Mmp14
1418666_at	14.48	Ptx3	1452178_at	6.043	Plec1	1439012_a_at	4.195	Dck
1435331_at	14.48	AI447904	1456890_at	6.026	Ddx58	1422397_a_at	4.171	Il15ra
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1439831_at	13.66		1426092_a_at	5.987	Trim34	1429563_x_at	4.093	5830484A20Rik
1439114_at	13.51	9830118M07	1448229_s_at	5.876	Ccnd2	1447272_s_at	4.074	Atp10a
1441600_at	13.09		1430802_at	5.85	H2-Q8	1427348_at	4.032	BC036563
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1419676_at	11.78	Mx2	1450808_at	5.67	Fpr1	1436899_at	3.856	2700019D07Rik
1420330_at	11.7	Clecsf9	1442130_at	5.636	Hsh2d	1439805_at	3.84	Nfat5
1449473_s_at	11.68	Tnfrsf5	1431095_a_at	5.601	2510038N07Rik	1422054_a_at	3.786	Skl
1439221_s_at	11.51	Tnfrsf5	1428735_at	5.588	Cd69	1449152_at	3.717	Cdkn2b
1422141_s_at	11.43	Csprs	1449591_at	5.587	Casp4	1453299_a_at	3.715	Pnp
1449926_at	11.42	Tnfrsf7	1452231_x_at	5.584	Ifi203	1448728_a_at	3.692	AA408868
1419530_at	11.4	Il12b	1427091_at	5.53	AI481105	1448788_at	3.689	Mox2
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Affymetrix Id	Fold change	Common name	Affymetrix Id	Fold change	Common name	Affymetrix Id	Fold change	Common name
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1418990_at	3.619	Ms4a4d	1417527_at	2.805	Ap3m2	1456251_x_at	2.378	Bzrp
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1458299_s_at	3.436	Nfkbie	1420816_at	2.708	Ywhag	1433515_s_at	2.345	Etnk1
1434431_x_at	3.418	Adora2b	1433699_at	2.706	Trnfaip3	1454731_at	2.337	Myo10
1446957_s_at	3.377	BC004022	1433944_at	2.702	A630025O09Rik	1428071_at	2.322	1110038D17Rik
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1418154_at	3.002	BC004022	1425515_at	2.545	Pik3r1	1426208_x_at	2.141	Plagl1
1421321_a_at	2.989	Net1	1452385_at	2.538	AA939927	1418929_at	2.136	Esrbl1
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Appendix- VIII- Complete gene list of differentially regulated genes in response to *M. tuberculosis* infection of MyD88^{-/-} BMDCs

All genes have a fold change of 1.4 and a p value ≤ 0.05 .

Affymetrix Id	Fold change	Common name	Affymetrix Id	Fold change	Common name	Affymetrix Id	Fold change	Common name
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1427624_s_at	108.3	Il1fb	1426657_s_at	17.18	Phgdh	1421317_x_at	10.68	Myb
1450297_at	89.89	Il6	1426724_at	17.13	Cnn3	1420572_at	10.62	Ms4a3
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1438658_a_at	70.25	Edg3	1421775_at	16.48	Fcer1a	1436188_a_at	10.41	Ndrp4
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1422188_s_at	41.1	Tcrg-V4	1418547_at	14.65	Ttp2	1452789_at	9.588	Snn
1450521_a_at	39.93	Tcrg-V4	1450194_a_at	14.63	Myb	1420150_at	9.584	4930422J18Rik
1422189_x_at	38.87	Tcrg-V4	1418937_at	14.35	Dio2	1421744_at	9.58	Tnfrsf4
1417785_at	36.38	Plata	1417220_at	14.31	Fah	1429272_a_at	9.55	2210421G13Rik
1447669_s_at	35.69	Gng4	1447863_s_at	14.06	Nr4a2	1422533_at	9.542	Cyp51
1422706_at	35.24	Tmepai	1425569_a_at	13.96	Slamf1	1416008_at	9.485	Satb1
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1452731_x_at	22.91	2610042L04Rik	1422924_at	12.17	Tnfrsf9	1450869_at	8.27	Fgf1
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1454714_x_at	19.25	Phgdh	1418176_at	10.94	Vdr	1449402_at	8.072	Chst7
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1455656_at	7.9	Btla	1430221_at	6.058	9130008F23Rik	1423466_at	4.909	Ccr7
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