

# Inhibition of the prostaglandin-degrading enzyme 15-PGDH potentiates tissue regeneration

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## Facts

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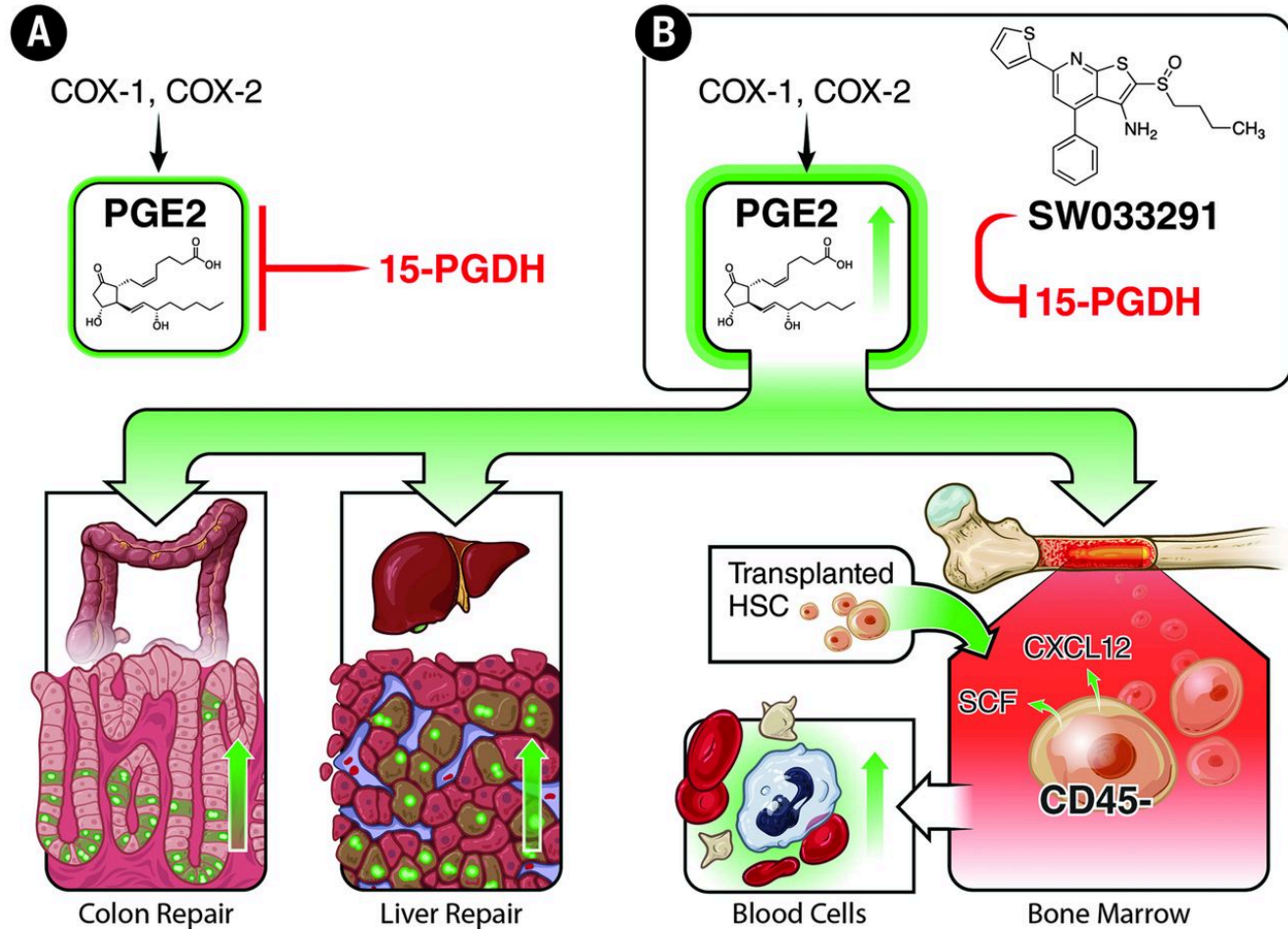
## Background

- After **HSC (hematopoietic stem cells) transplantation**, individuals are at high risk of potentially lethal infections, while awaiting regeneration of peripheral blood cells.
- **Ulcerative colitis** causes both gastrointestinal bleeding and diarrhea. Current treatments involve immune suppression, there are no therapies that potentiate healing and regeneration of damaged epithelium.
- Tissue regeneration is also required after **partial hepatic resection**, because the patient must regain adequate hepatic function.

## Background

- Prostaglandin PGE<sub>2</sub> is a candidate molecule for **potentiating regeneration** in multiple tissues.
- Hypothese: Alternative potential strategies for increasing PGE<sub>2</sub>-mediated tissue repair in vivo could be either to increase the synthesis of PGE<sub>2</sub> or to inhibit the normally rapid in vivo **degradation of PGE<sub>2</sub>**.
- The enzym **15-PGDH** (15-hydroxyprostaglandin dehydrogenase) **is a negative regulator** of prostaglandin levels and activity.
- Explore: whether pharmacological **inhibition of 15-PGDH** can potentiate tissue repair in several mouse model of injury and disease.

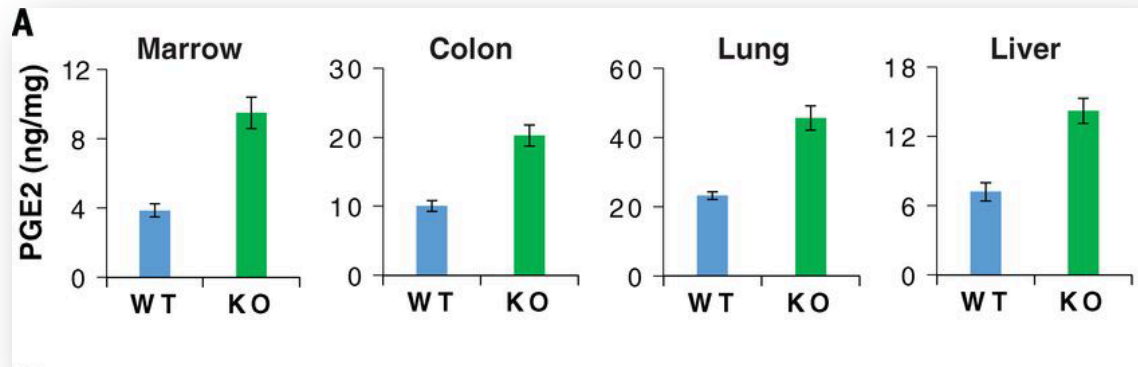
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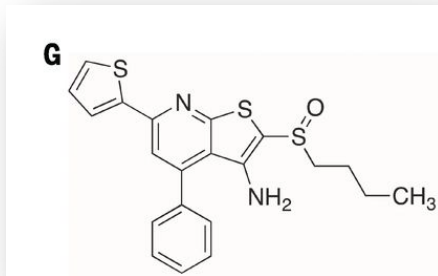
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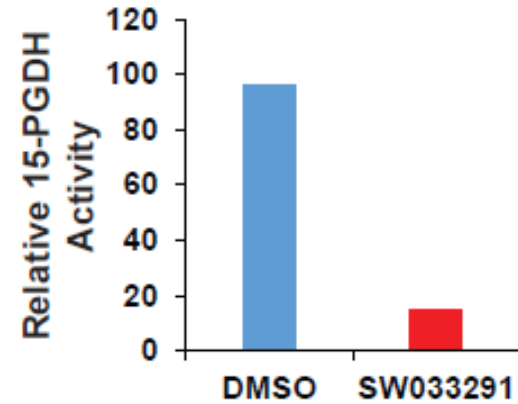
# Biological effects of 15-PGDH inhibition in mice



The Inhibitor of 15-PGDH

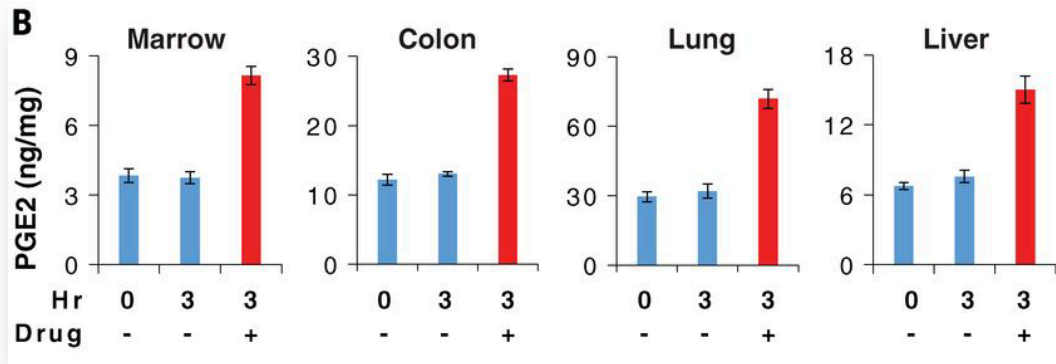


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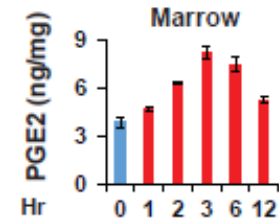




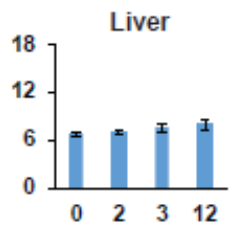
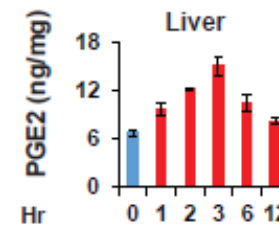
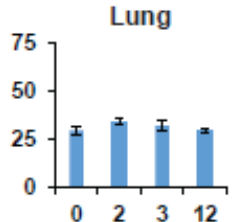
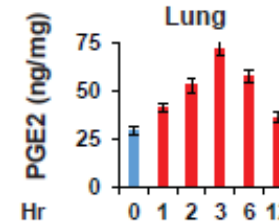
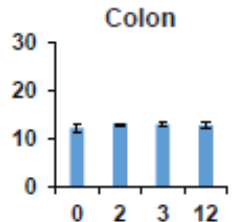
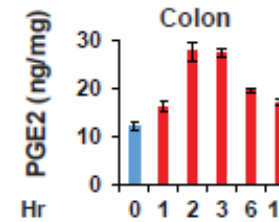
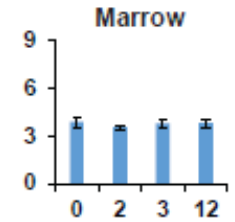
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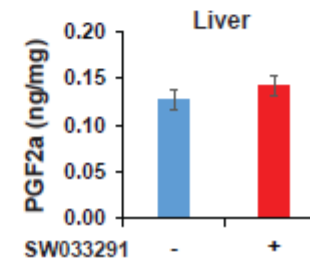
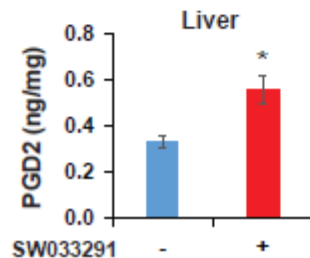
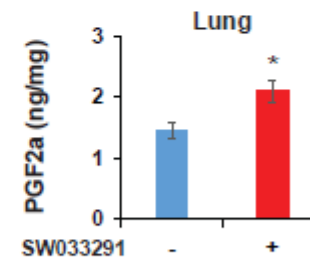
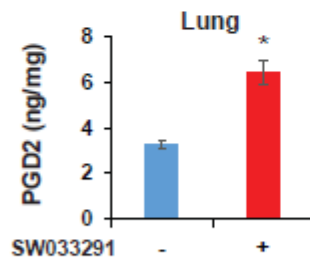
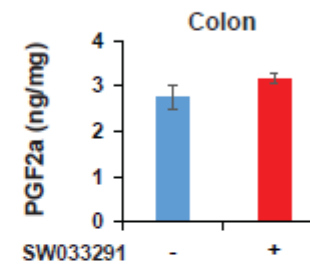
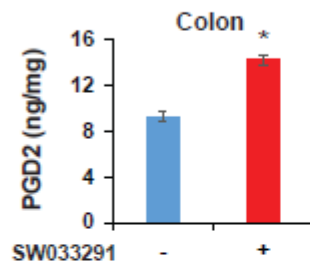
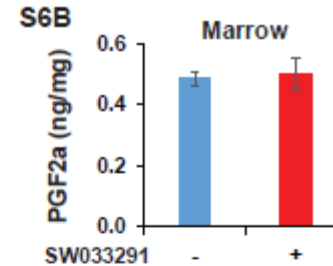
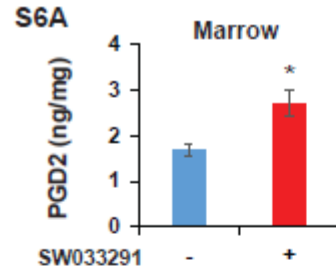
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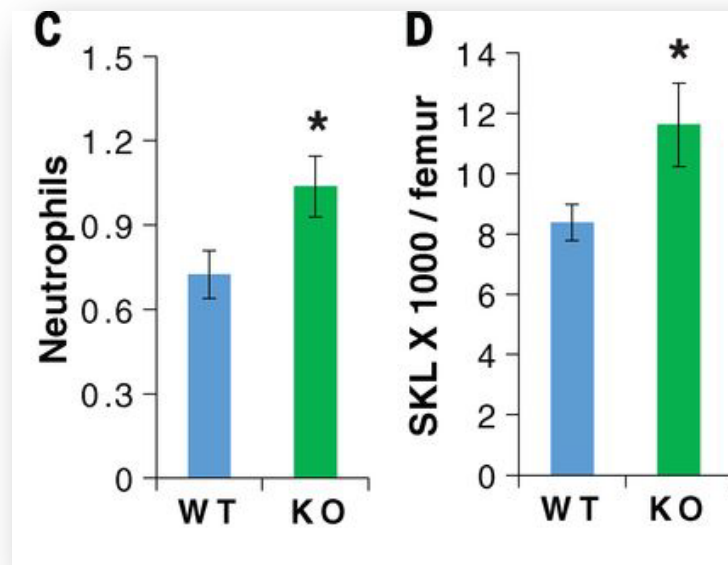


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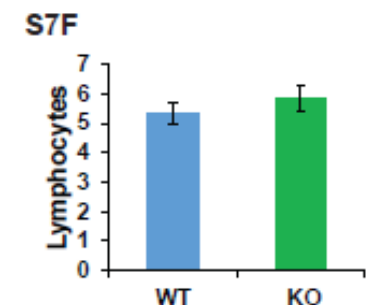
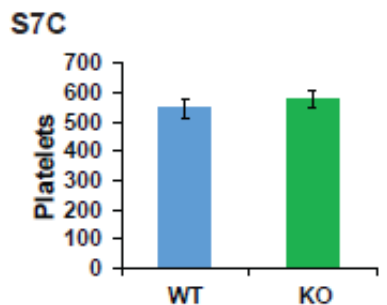
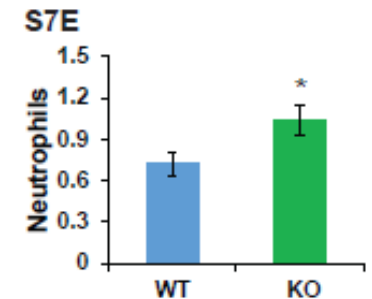
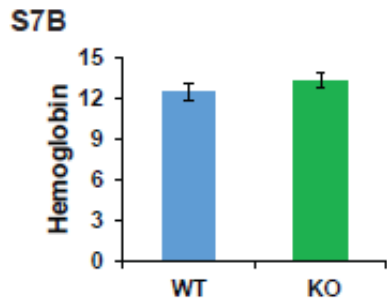
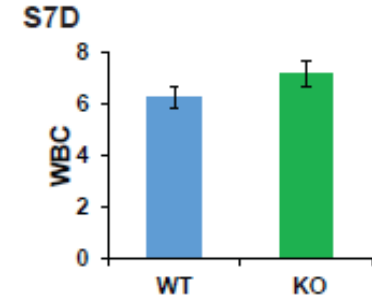
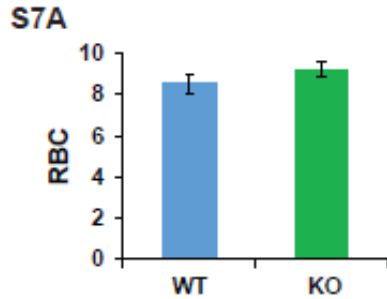
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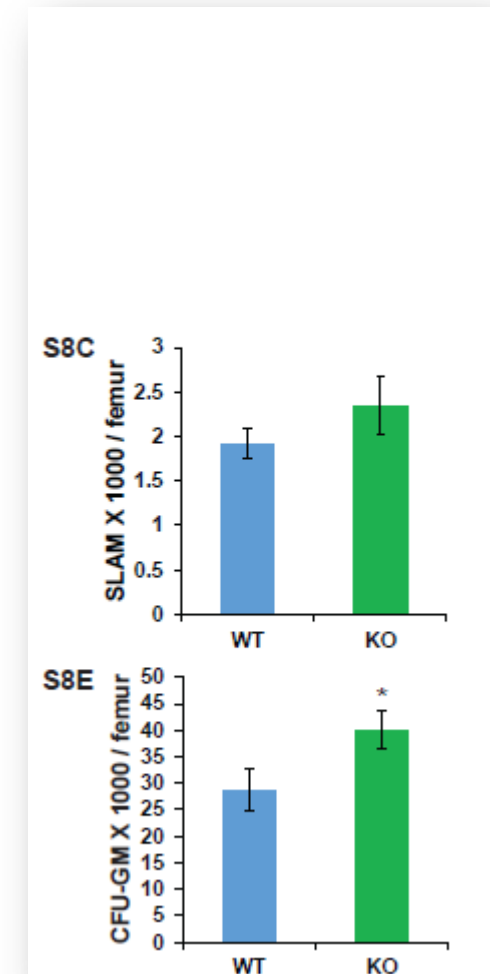
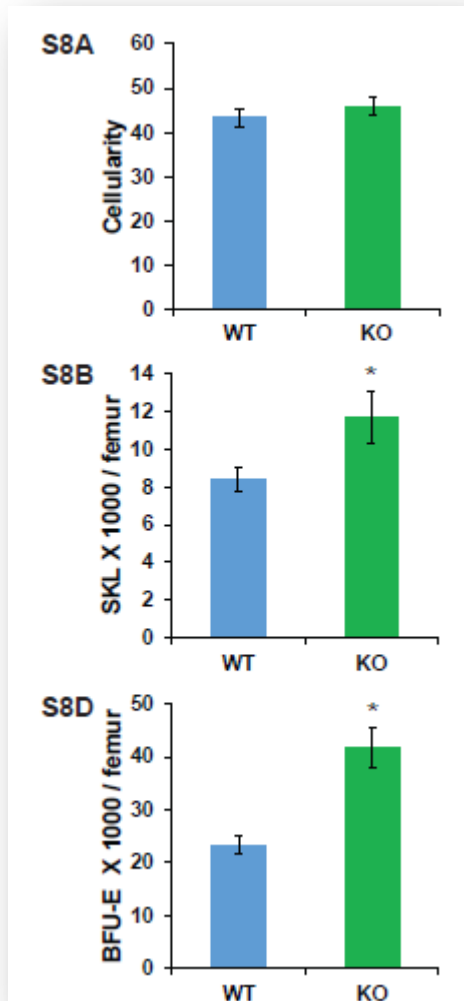
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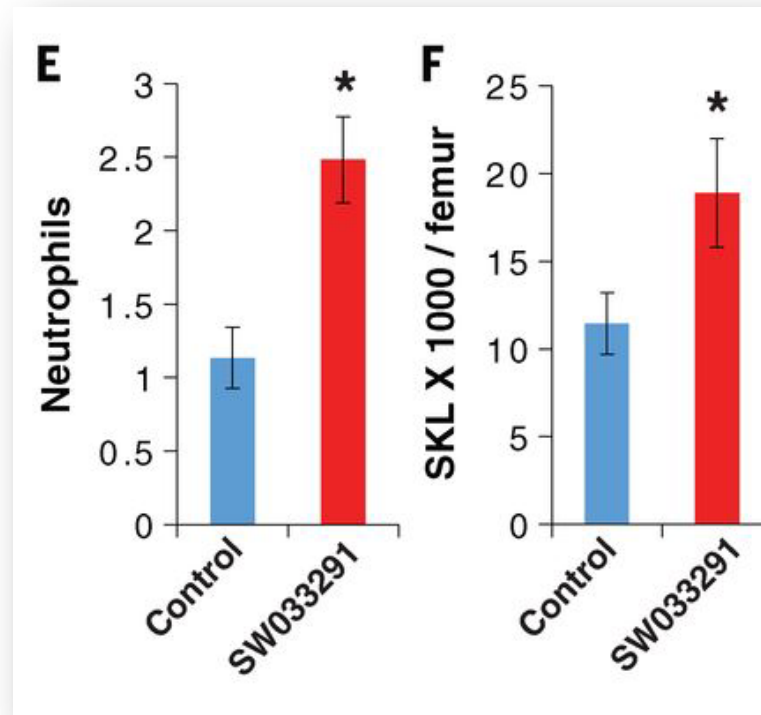
# Comparison of peripheral blood counts from 15-PGDH WT and KO



# Comparison of bone marrow from 15-PGDH WT and KO

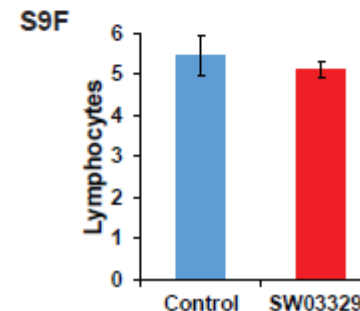
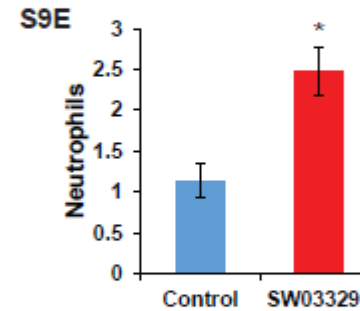
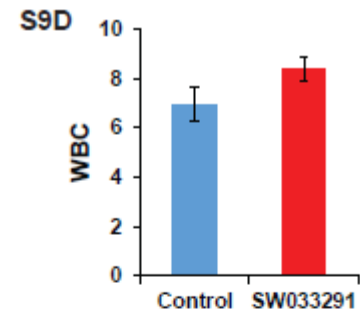
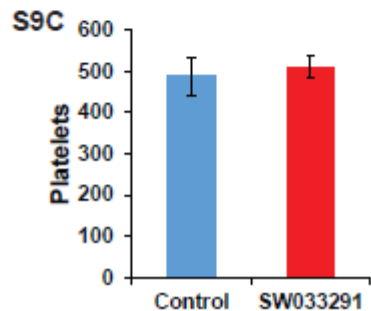
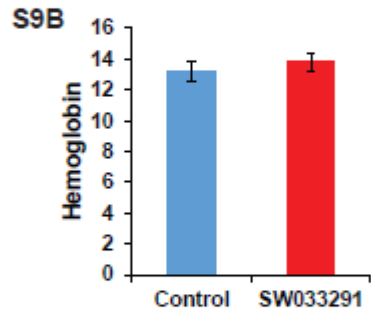
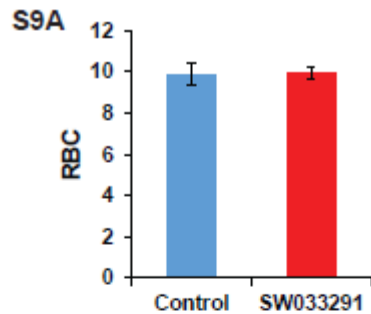


# Does SW033291 might regulate these responses?

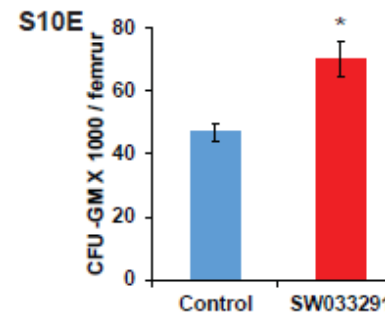
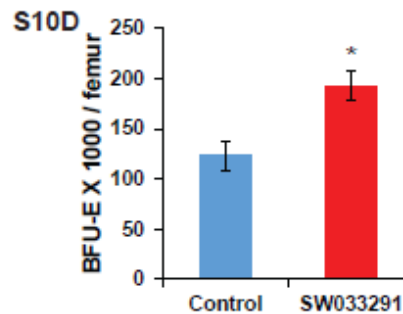
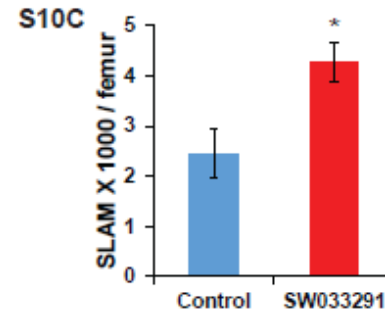
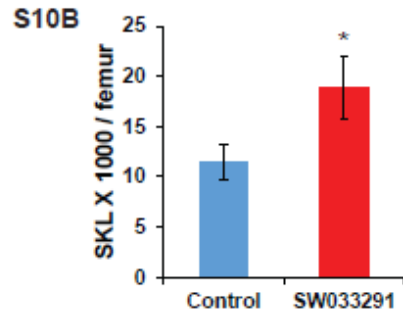
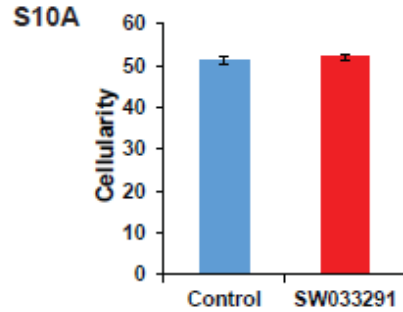




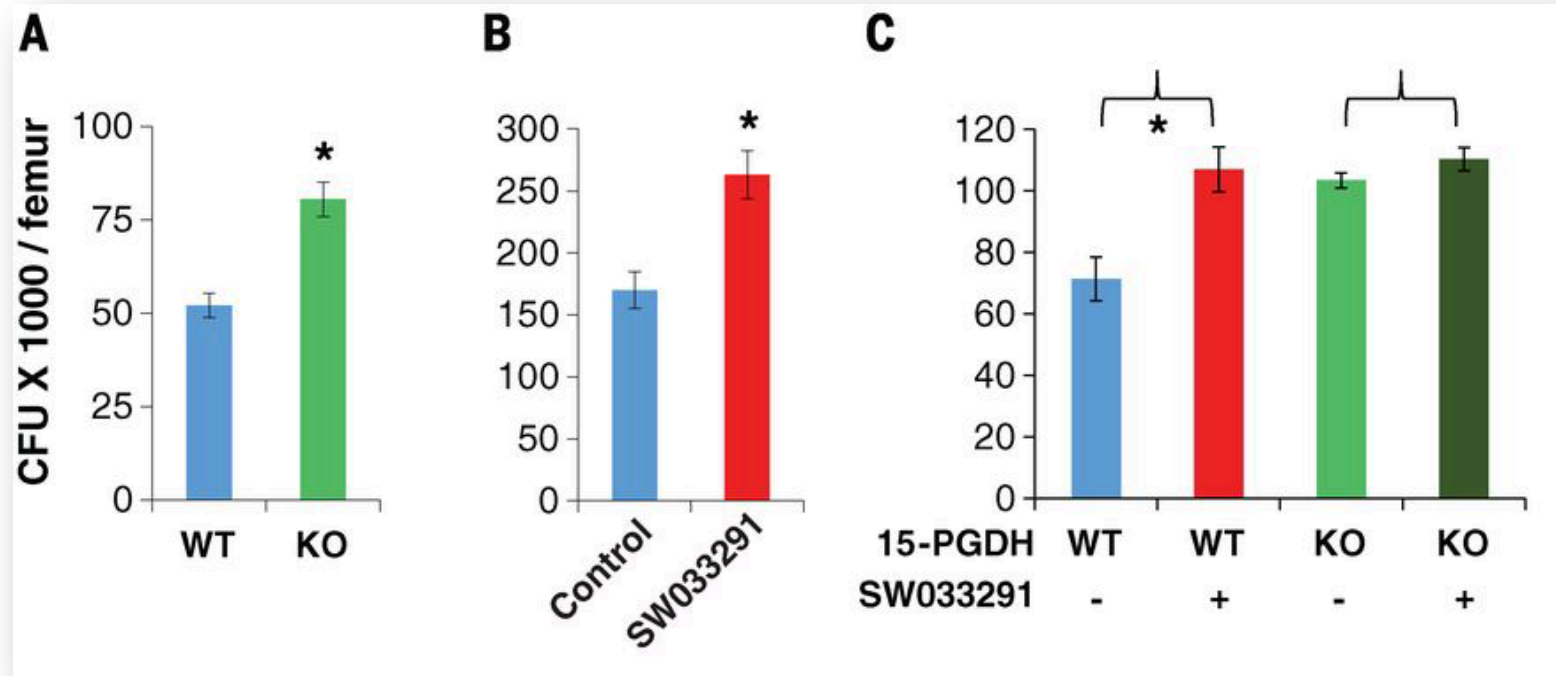
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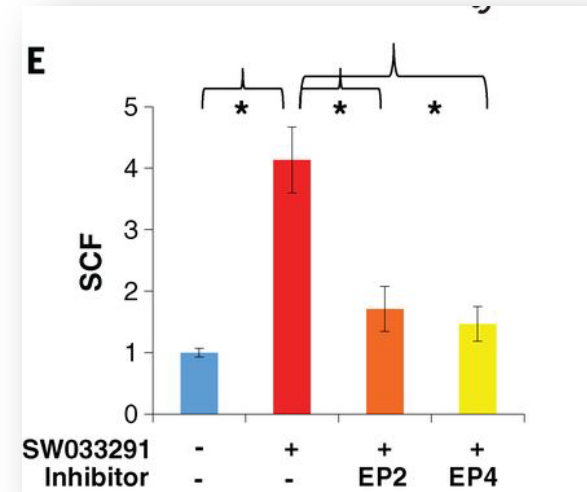
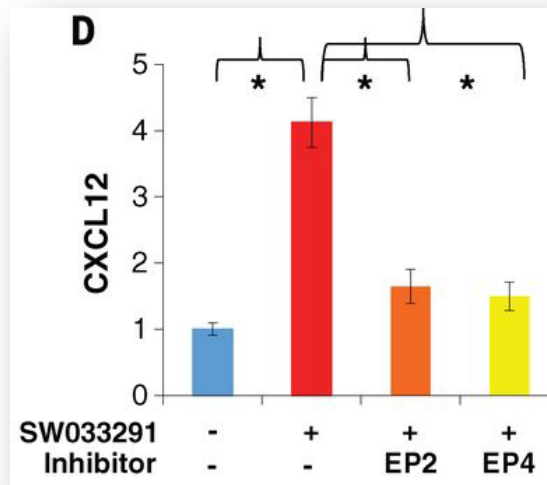
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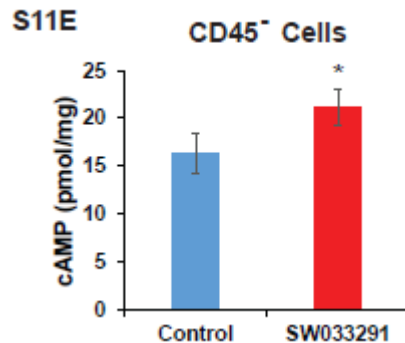
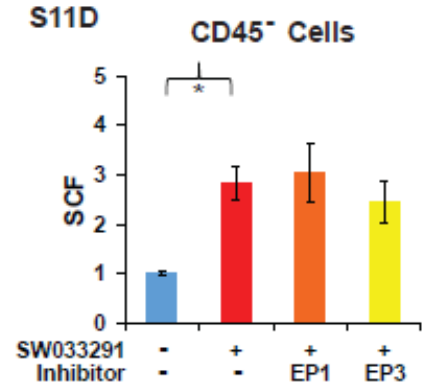
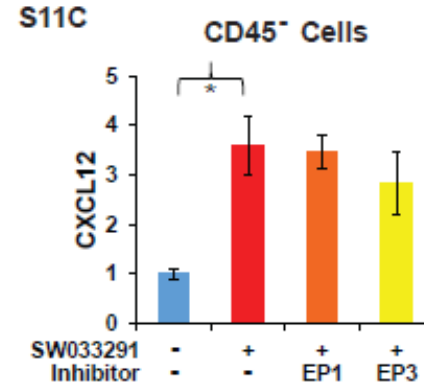
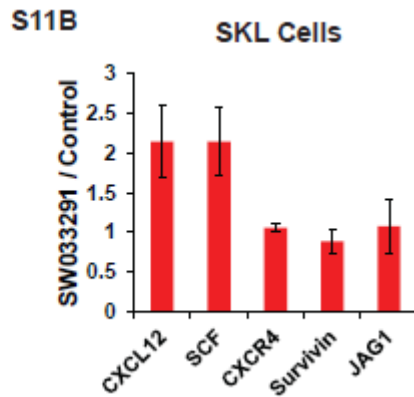
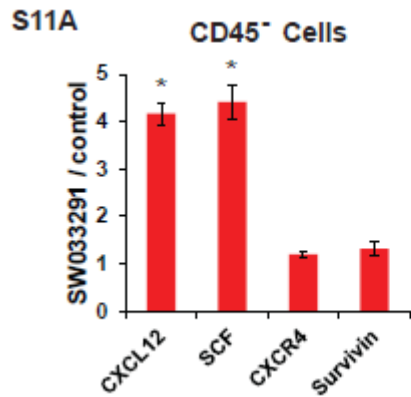
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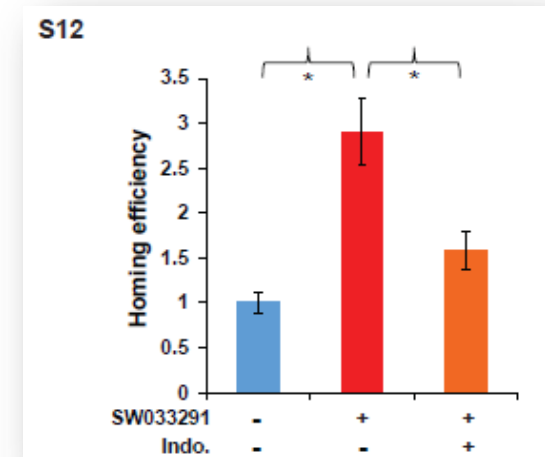
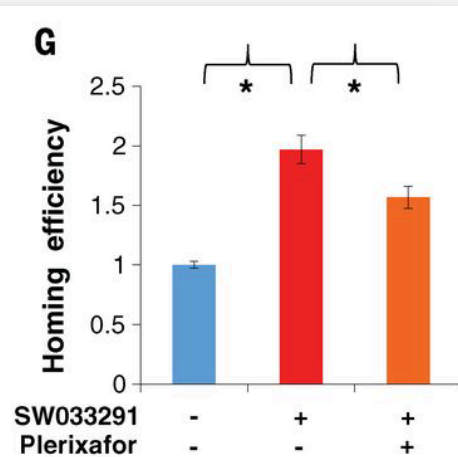
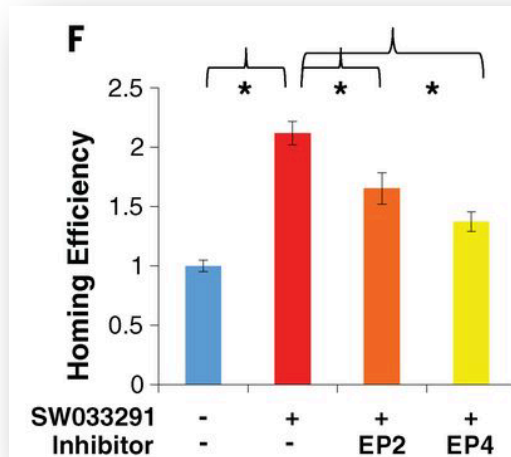
## Effect of SW033291 on gene expression



# Effect of SW033291 on other gene expression



# Homing efficiency after bone marrow transplant



## PATHWAY:

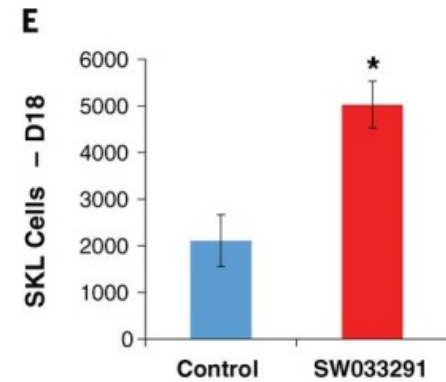
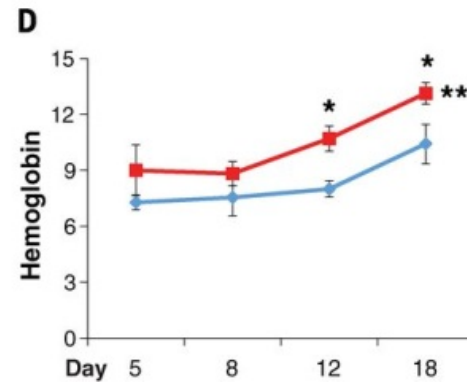
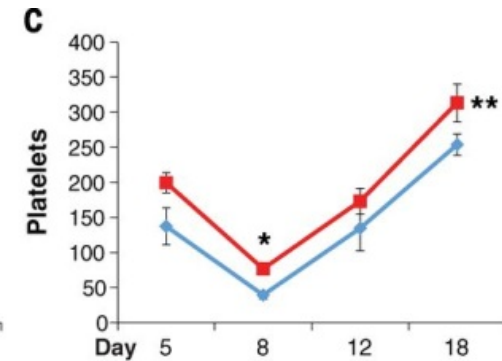
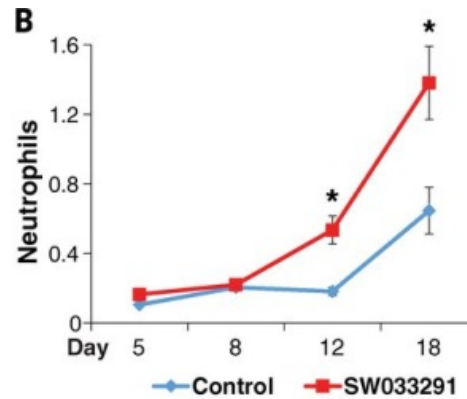
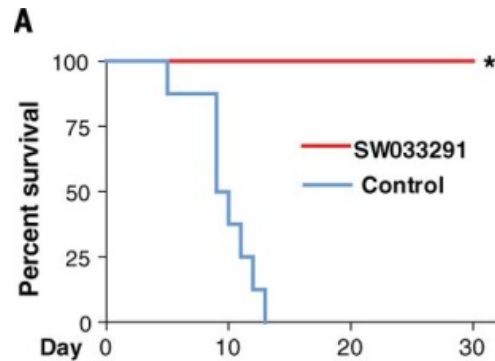
15-PGDH inhibition ->

increasing PGE2 levels in bone marrow ->

induces expression of CXCL12 and SCF ->

alter the bone marrow to better support homing in transplanted cells

# SW033921 potentiates hematopoietic recovery after bone marrow transplantation



# Survival Following Serial Rounds of Bone Marrow Transplantation

<b>Founder Mouse Treatment</b>	<b>First Round Survival</b>	<b>Second Round Survival</b>	<b>Third Round Survival</b>
<b>Vehicle</b>	<b>5/5</b>	<b>5/5</b>	<b>4/5</b>
<b>SW033291</b>	<b>5/5</b>	<b>5/5</b>	<b>4/5</b>

survival in each cohort is indicated as  $\frac{\text{\# of mice surviving at 8 weeks post-transplant}}{\text{\# of mice bone marrow transplant recipient mice}}$

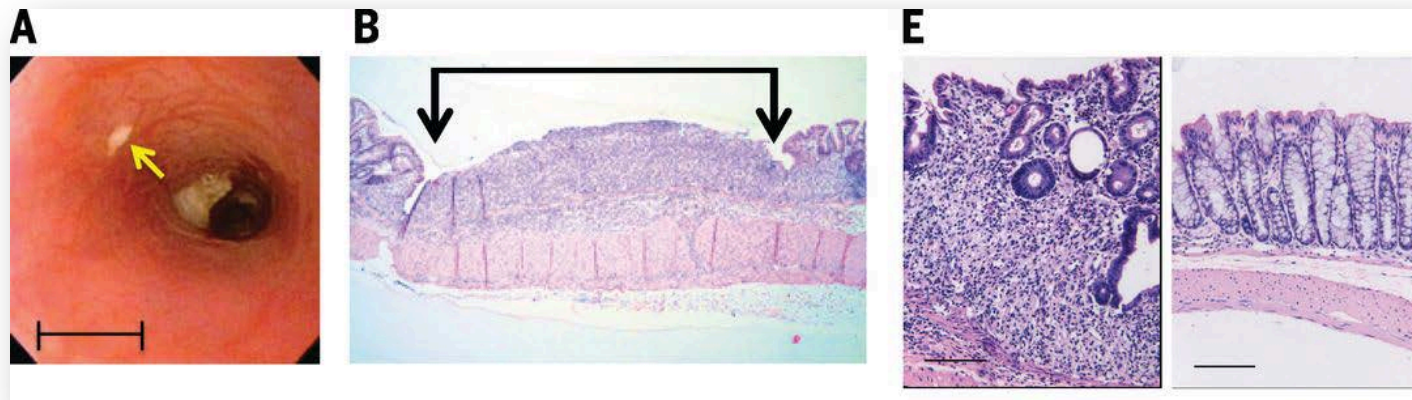


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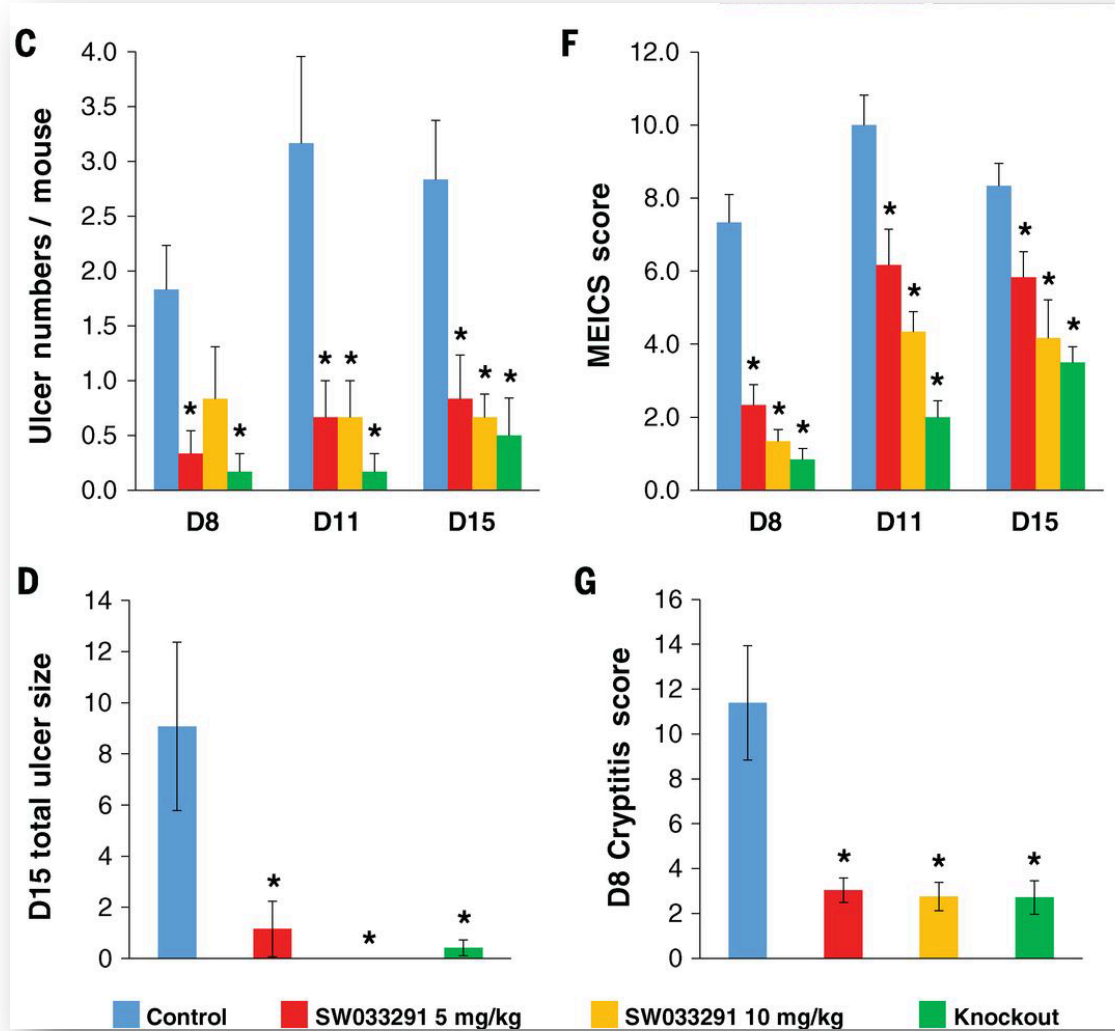
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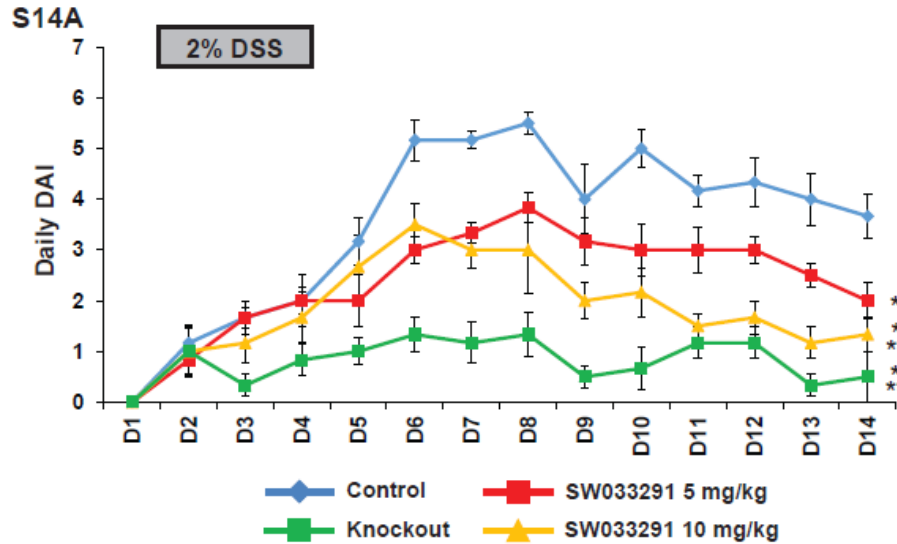
DSS = dextran sodium sulfate

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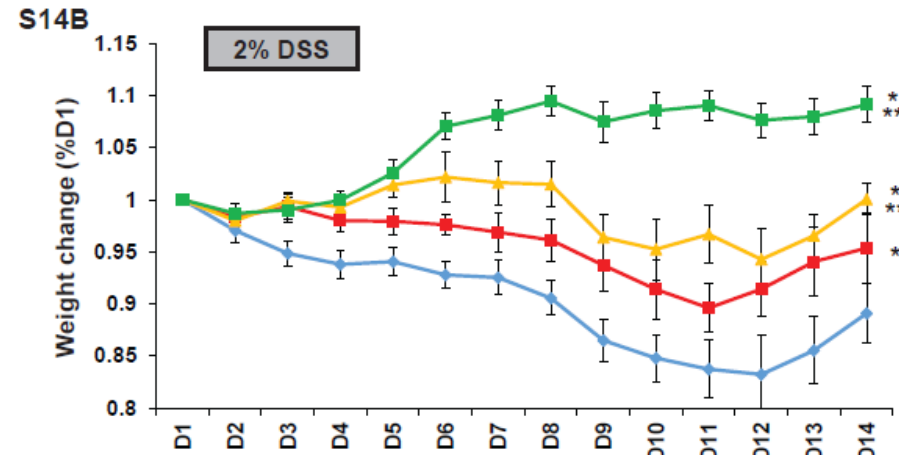


MEICS Score =  
murine endoscopic  
index of colitis  
severity

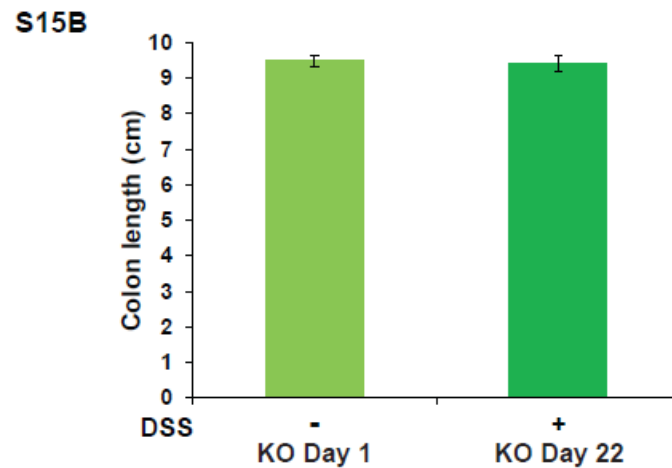
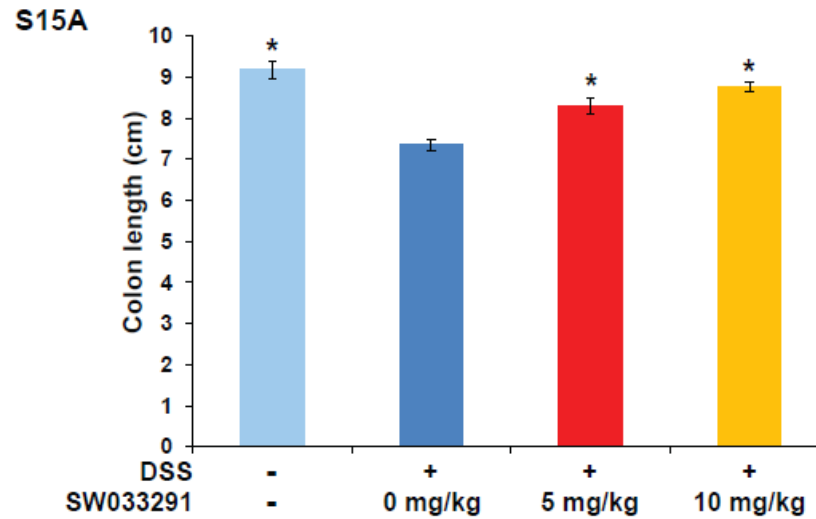
# 15-PGDH inhibition effects on DAI and weight



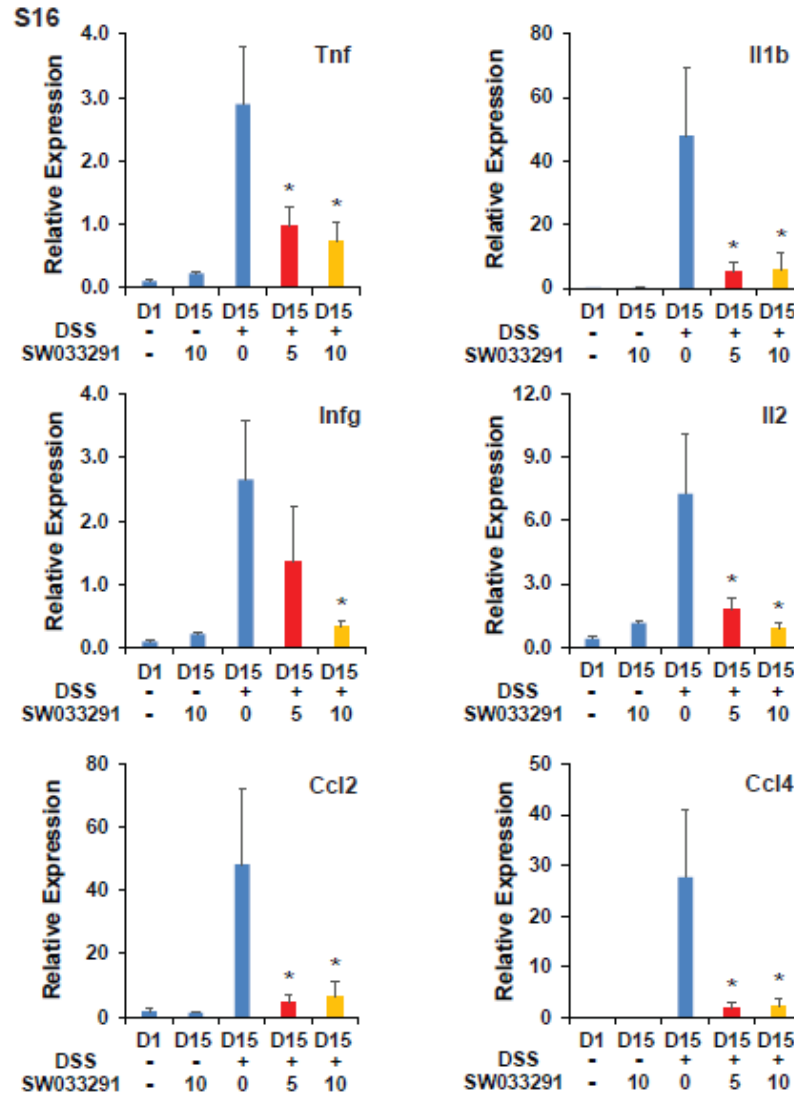
DAI= Disease activity index



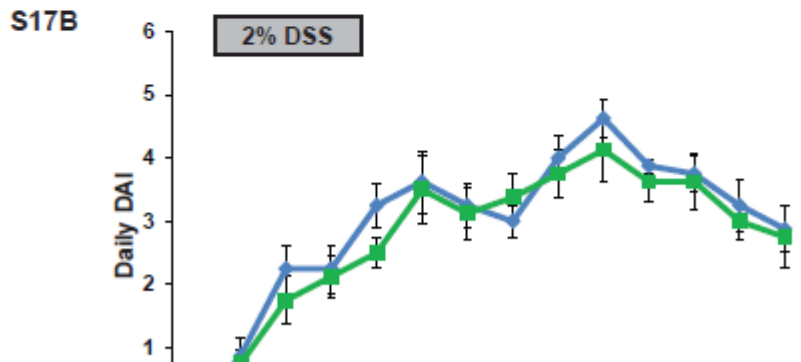
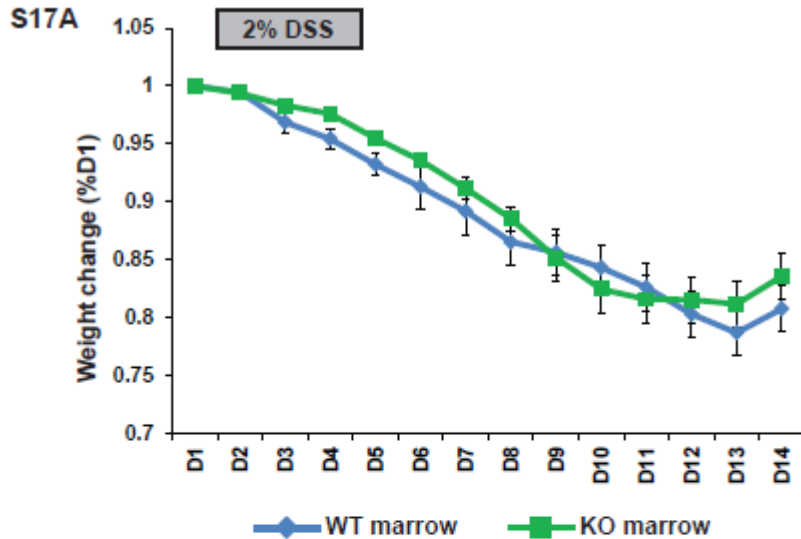
# 15-PGDH inhibition effects on colon shortening



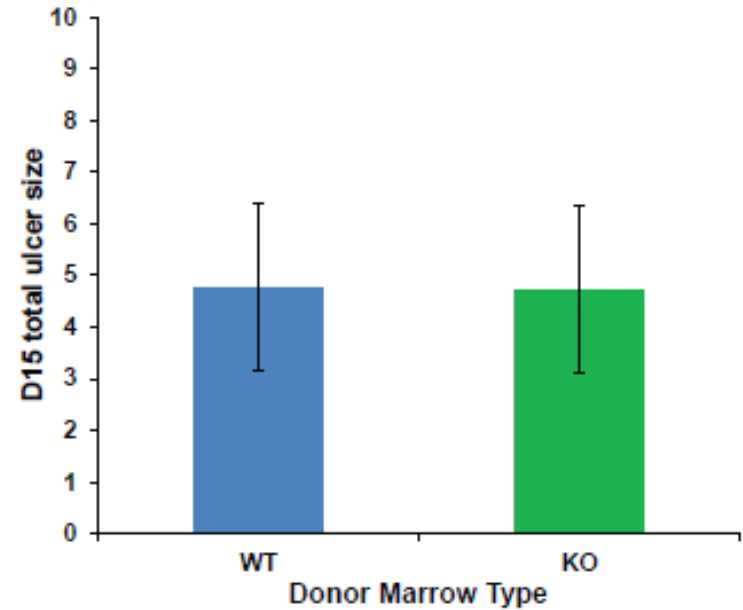
# 15-PGDH inhibition effects on colitis associated inflammatory cytokines



# DSS effects in colon in chimeric mice



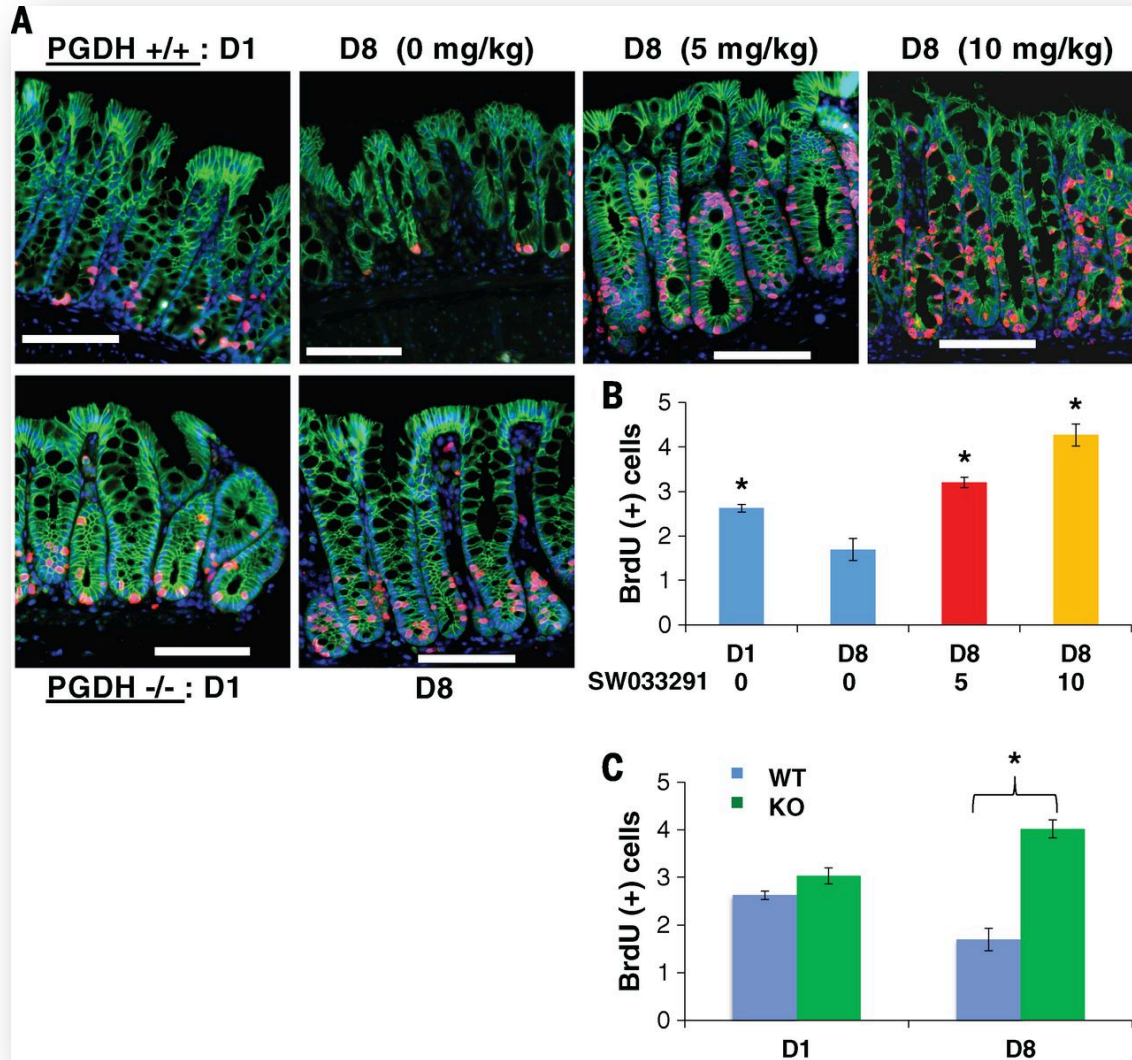
**S18**



Colitis protection is due to:  
**Inhibition of 15-PGDH IN COLONOCYTES**



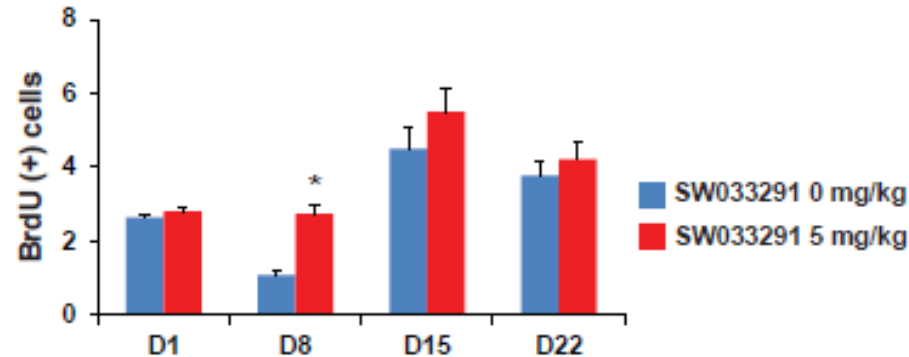
# Effect of inhibiting 15-PGDH on cell proliferation in colon



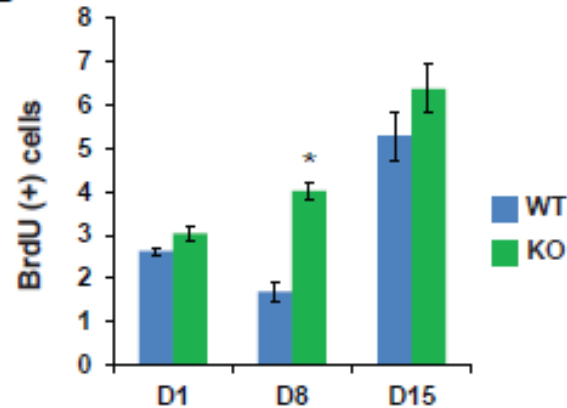
BrdU =  
5-bromo-  
2'-deoxyuridine

# 15-PGDH inhibition potentiates BrdU incorporation in colonic crypts

S19A



S19B



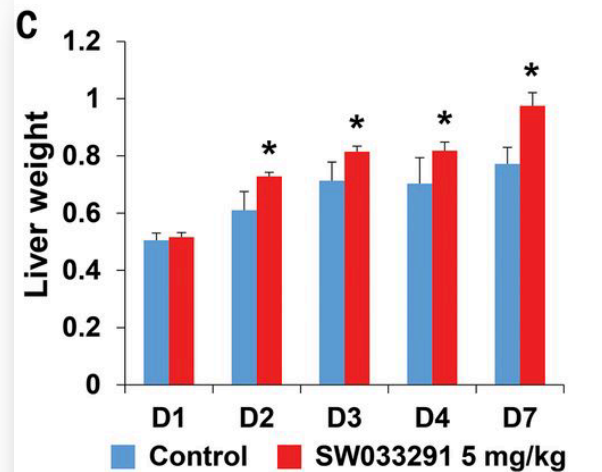
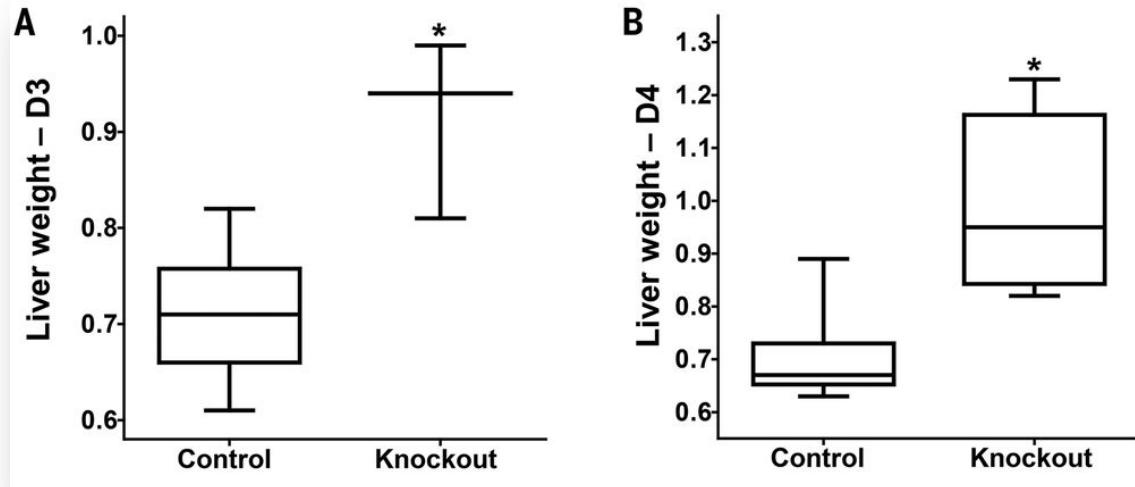
**Protection of Colitis in mice:  
Inhibition of 15-PGDH -> colonocyte proliferation in DSS-damaged mucosa**

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# 15-PGDH inhibition promotes liver regeneration

# Effect of 15-PGDH inhibition on liver weight

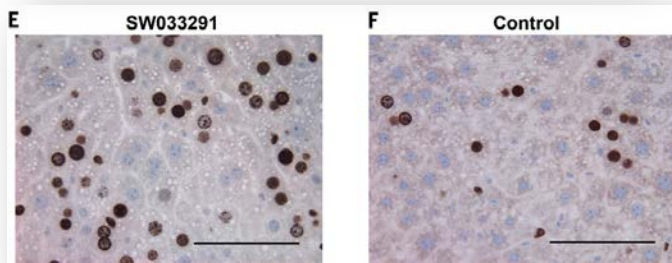
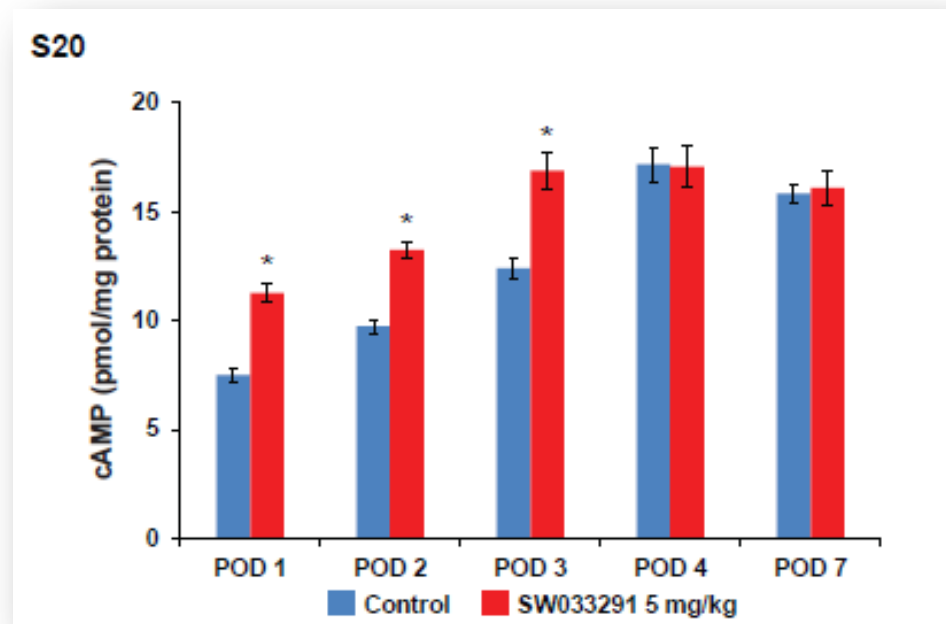
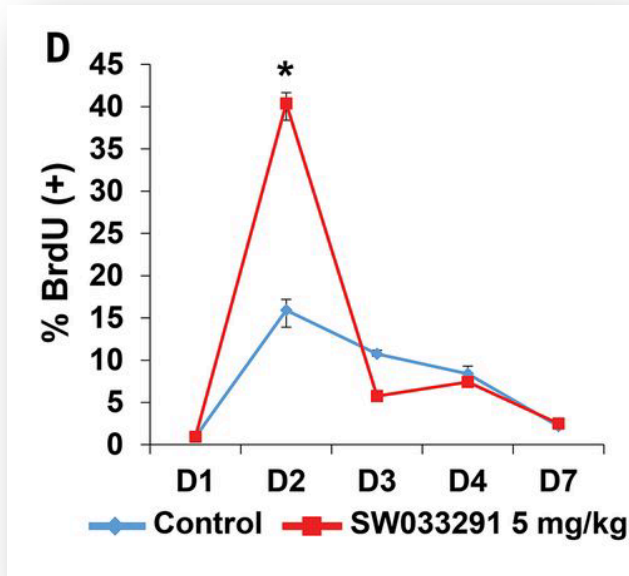


D1-7: +0.27g

D1-7: +0.48g

## Effect of 15-PGDH

### inhibition on cell proliferation in the liver



Promoted liver regeneration due to:  
**15-PGDH-inhibitor increased proliferation in hepatocytes**

# Take home message

