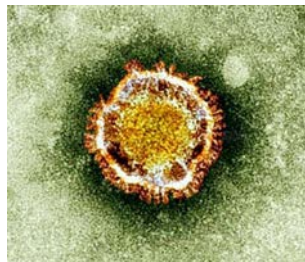


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# Therapeutic challenge for MERS-CoV

## ✓ Antiviral activity

- Ribavirin
- Lopinavir
- Interferon
- Cyclosporin A
- Associations
- Protease inhibition
- Monoclonal antibodies

## ✓ Host response modulation

- Immunoglobulins/convalescent plasma
- Glucocorticoids
- Kinase inhibitors

# SARS: Systematic Review of Treatment Effects

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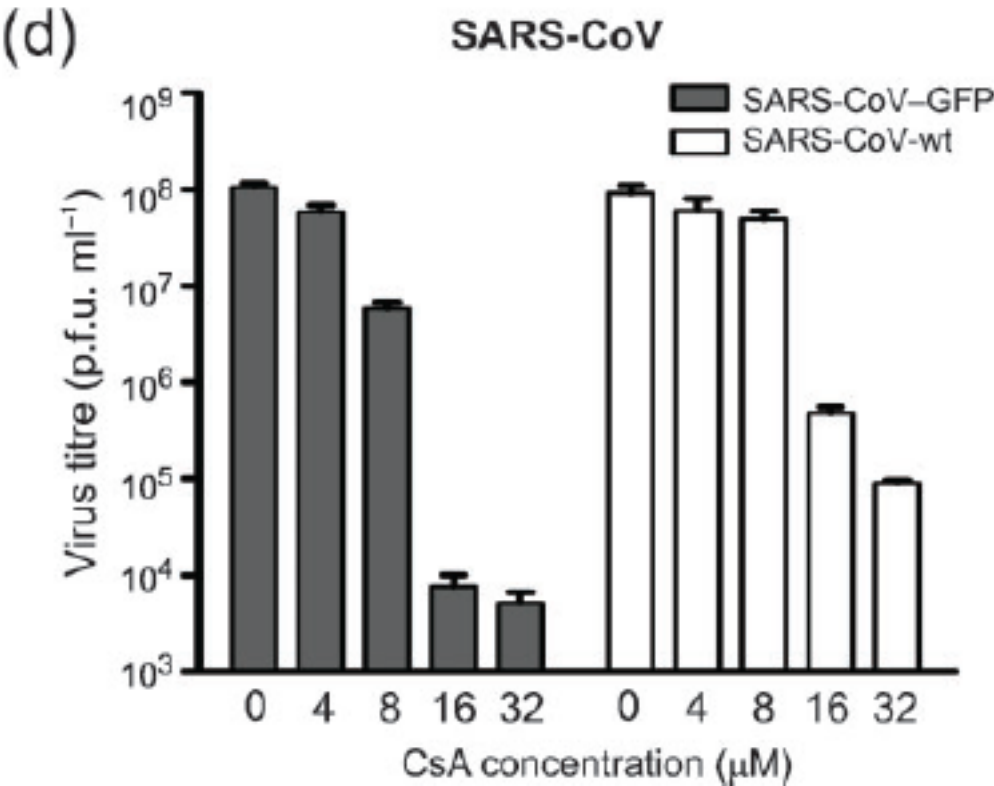
Treatment	Inconclusive <sup>a</sup>	Possible Harm <sup>a</sup>	Total Studies with Evidence (English and Chinese) <sup>b</sup>
Ribavirin	26	4	30
Corticosteroid	25	4	29
LPV/r	2	0	2
IFN- $\alpha$	3	0	3
Convalescent plasma or Immunoglobulin	7	0	7

<sup>a</sup>Studies were classified into six categories, but there were four categories without any studies: “possible benefit,” “possible harm,” “definite benefit,” “definite harm” (see Box 1).

<sup>b</sup>Studies totalled 54; some reported on more than one drug.

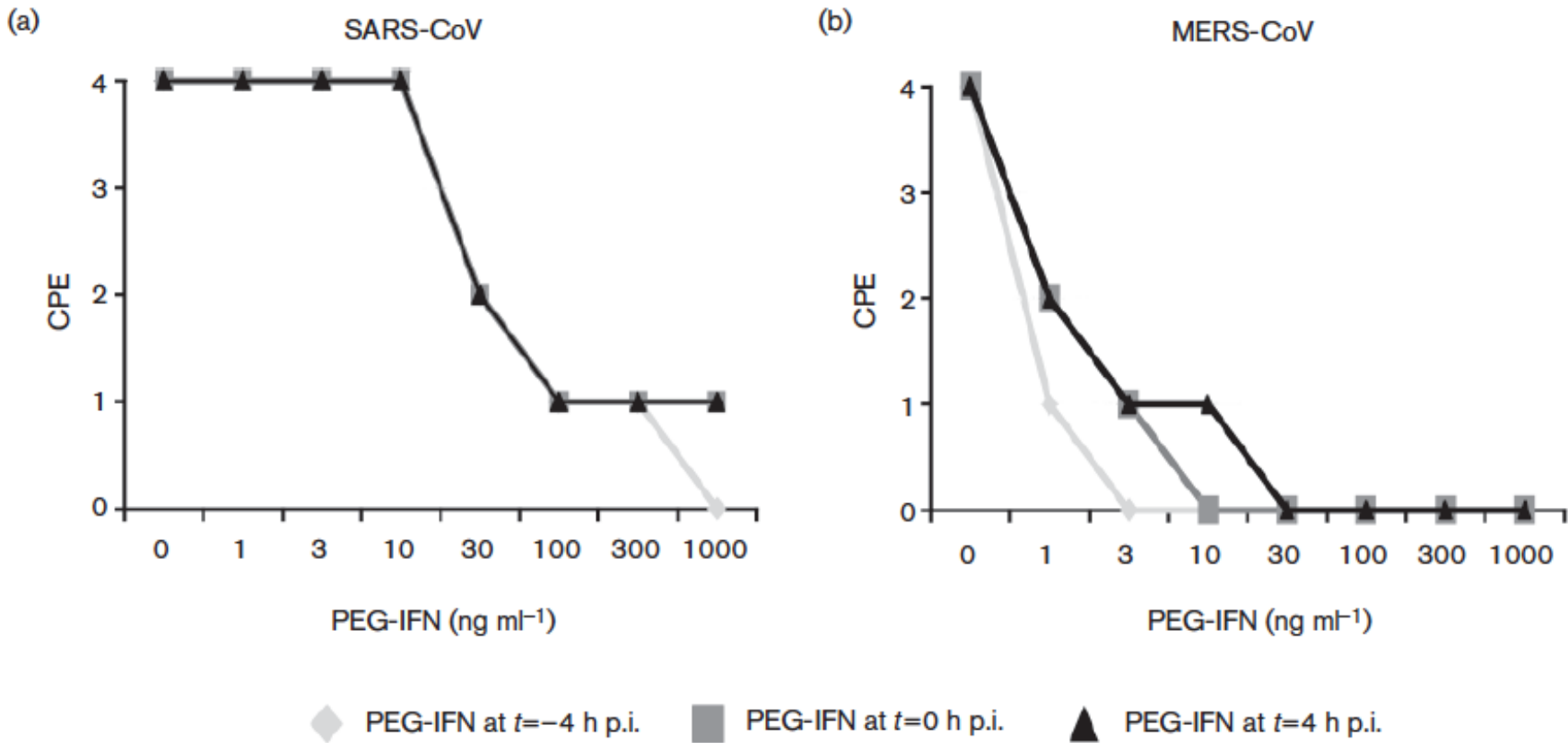
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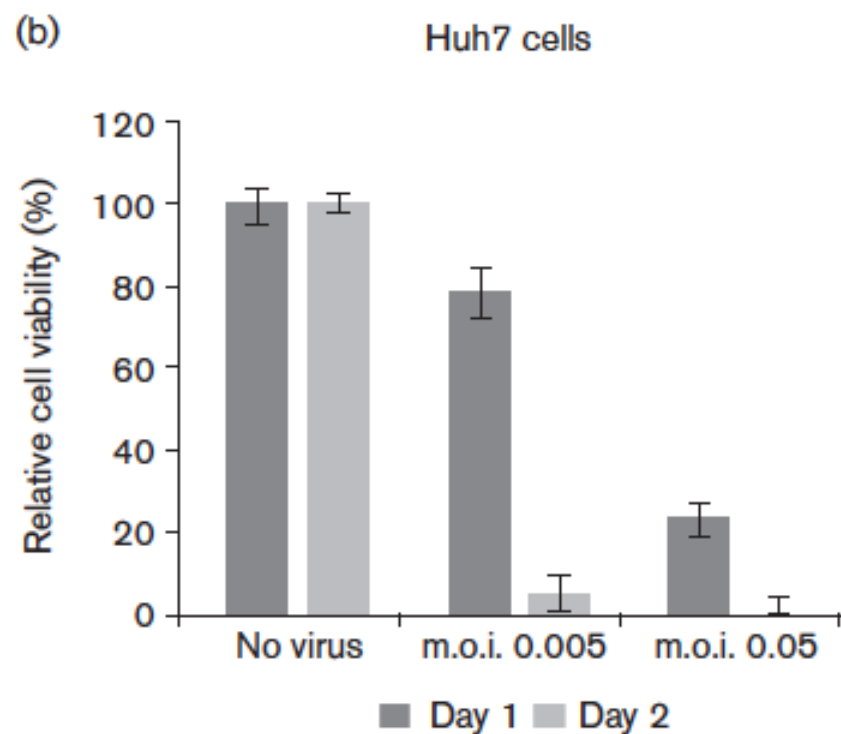
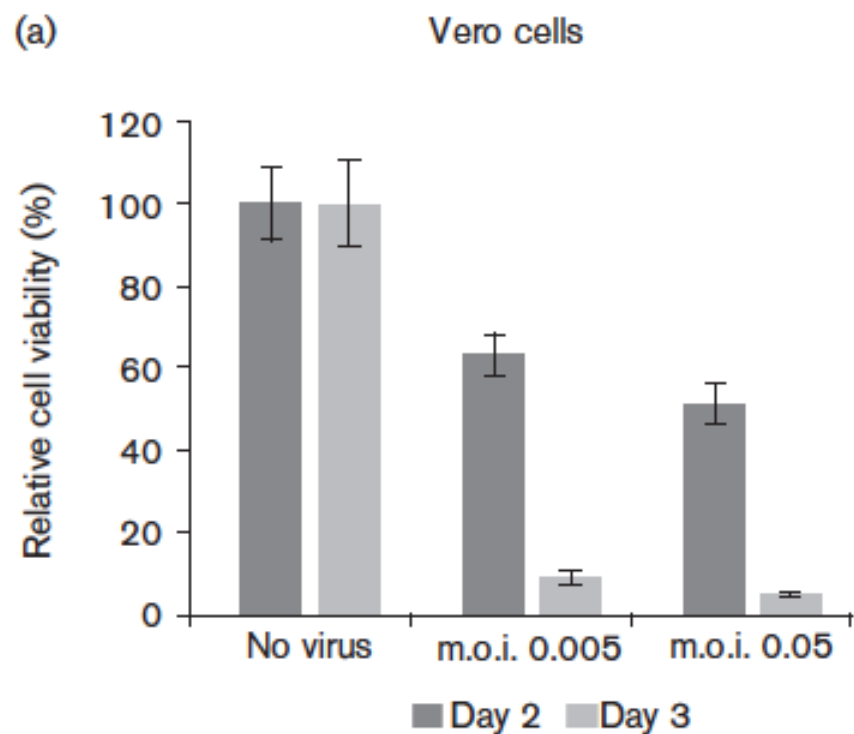
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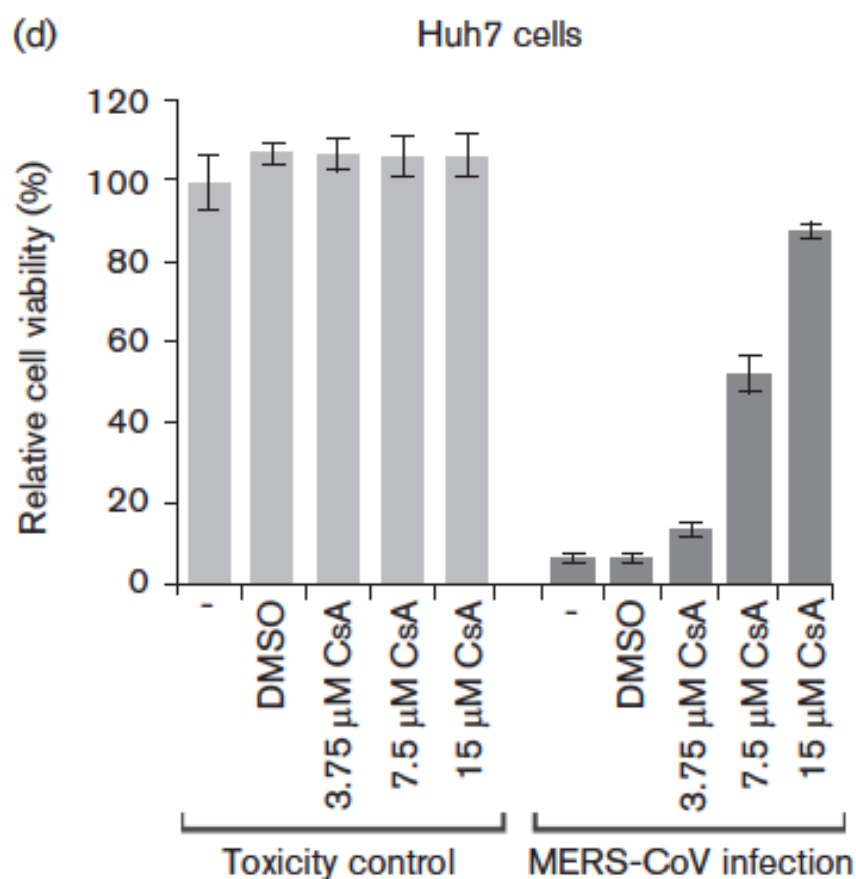
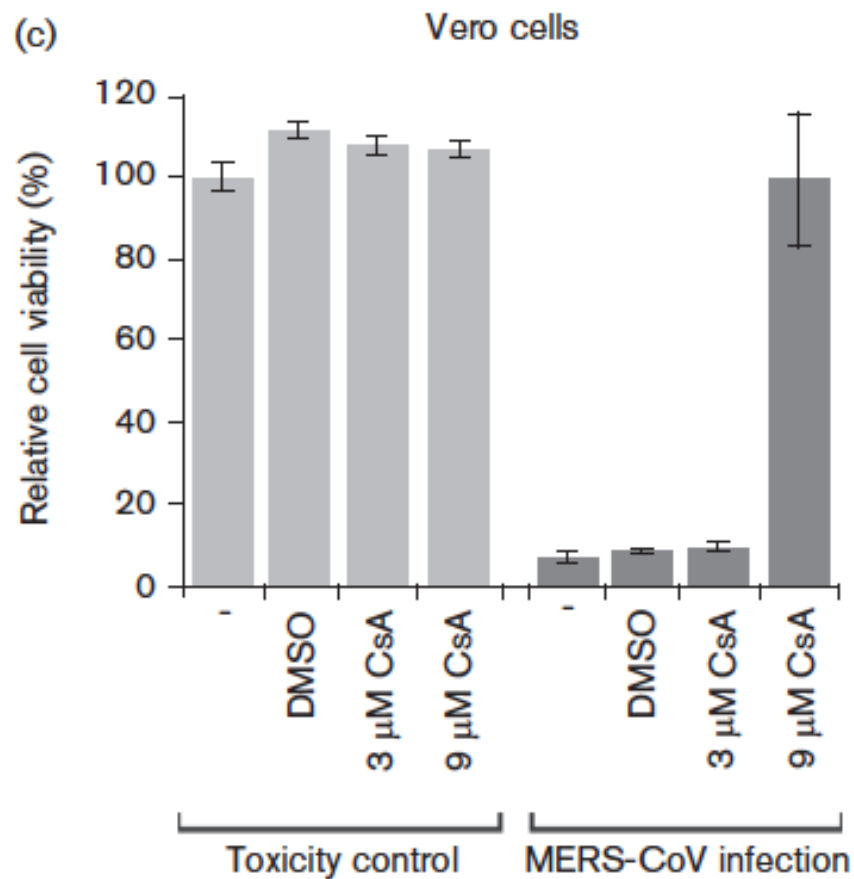


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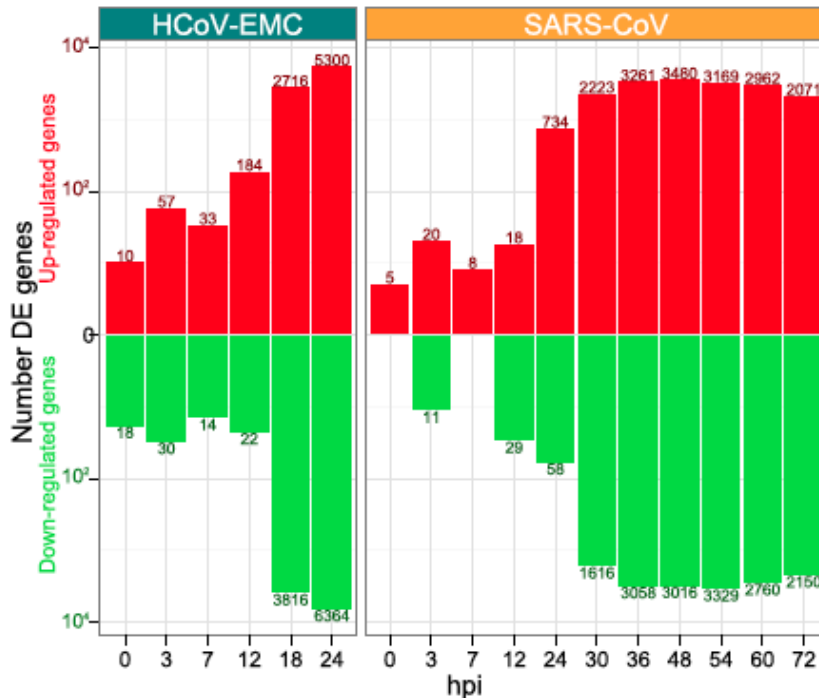
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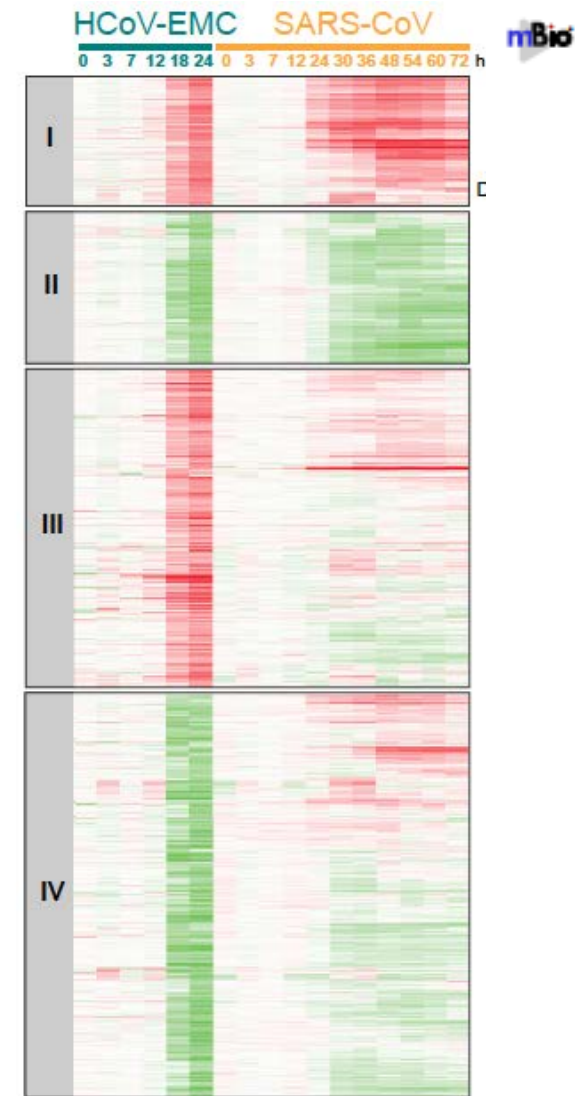
- ✓ Cyclosporin A is an inhibitor of HCoV-EMC replication in cell culture.
- ✓ HCoV-EMC was found to be 50-100 times more sensitive to interferon-alpha (IFN- $\alpha$ ) treatment than SARS-CoV
- ✓ Important implications for the treatment of HCoV-EMC-infected patients.

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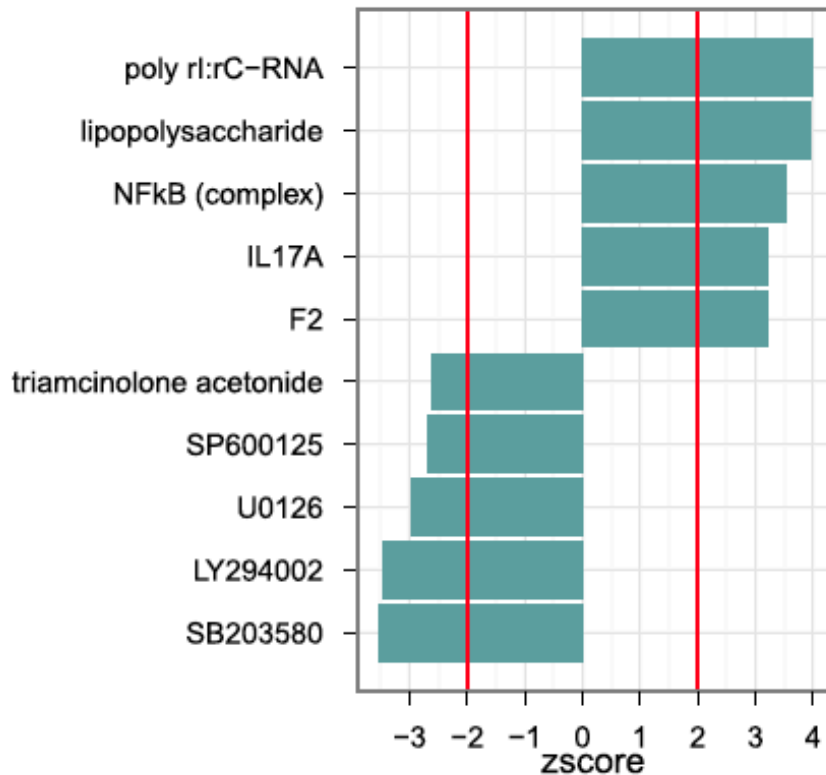
- ✓ HCoV-EMC infection, with 6,532 DE genes at 18 hpi and 11,664 genes at 24 hpi
- ✓ SARS-CoV induced changes of only 792 genes at 24 hpi with maximum changes at 48 and 54 hpi of 6,496 and 6,498 genes,



- ✓ HCoVEMC induced drastic changes in the host transcriptome with 12,392 DE genes at 18 hpi and/or 24 hpi

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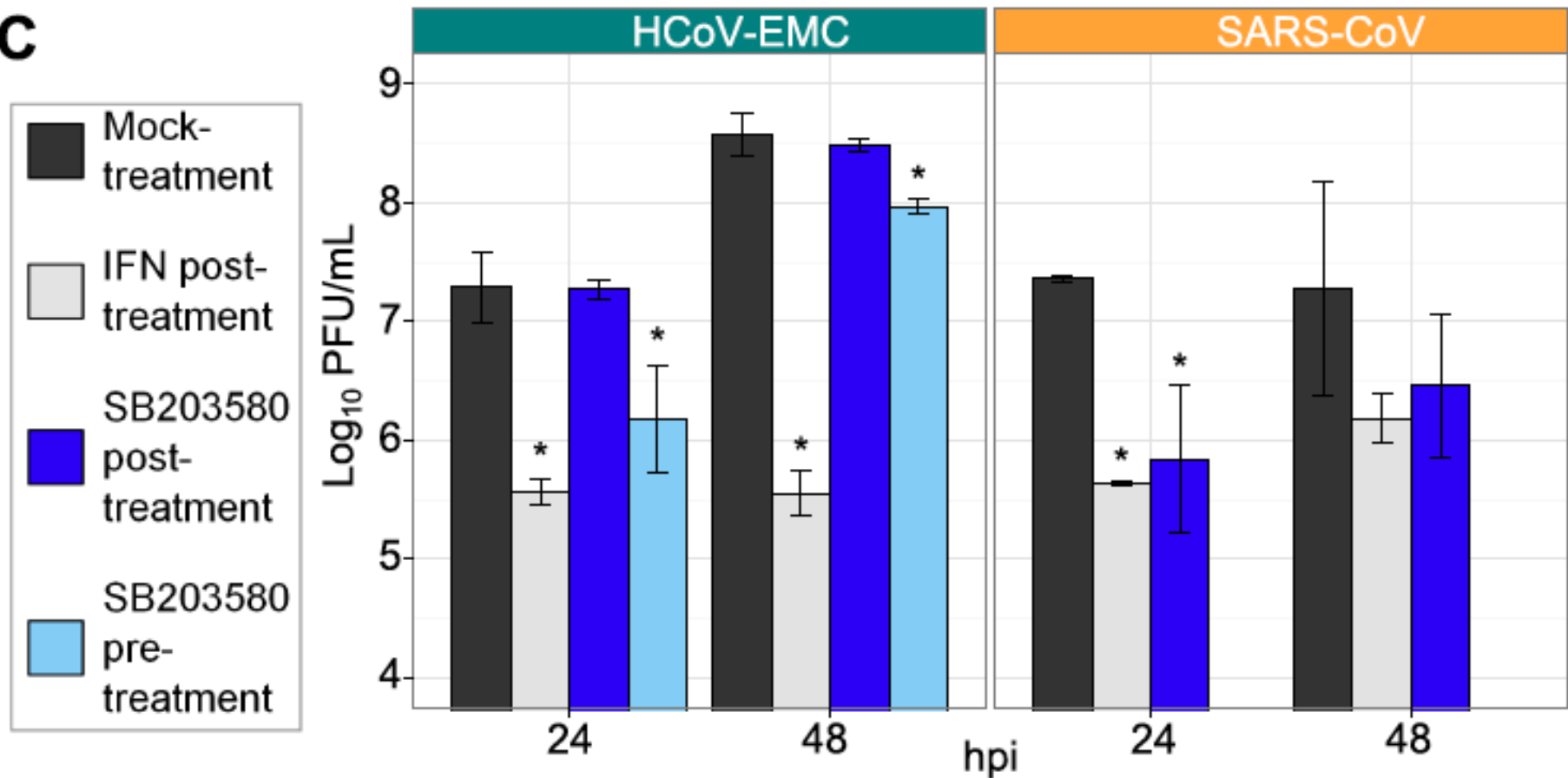


- ✓ Top 5 activated upstream regulators and top 5 inhibited upstream regulators of the early signature.
- ✓ The prediction of activation state is based on the global direction of changes of the 207 genes throughout infection with HCoV-EMC.
- ✓ Red lines depict the limit of significance

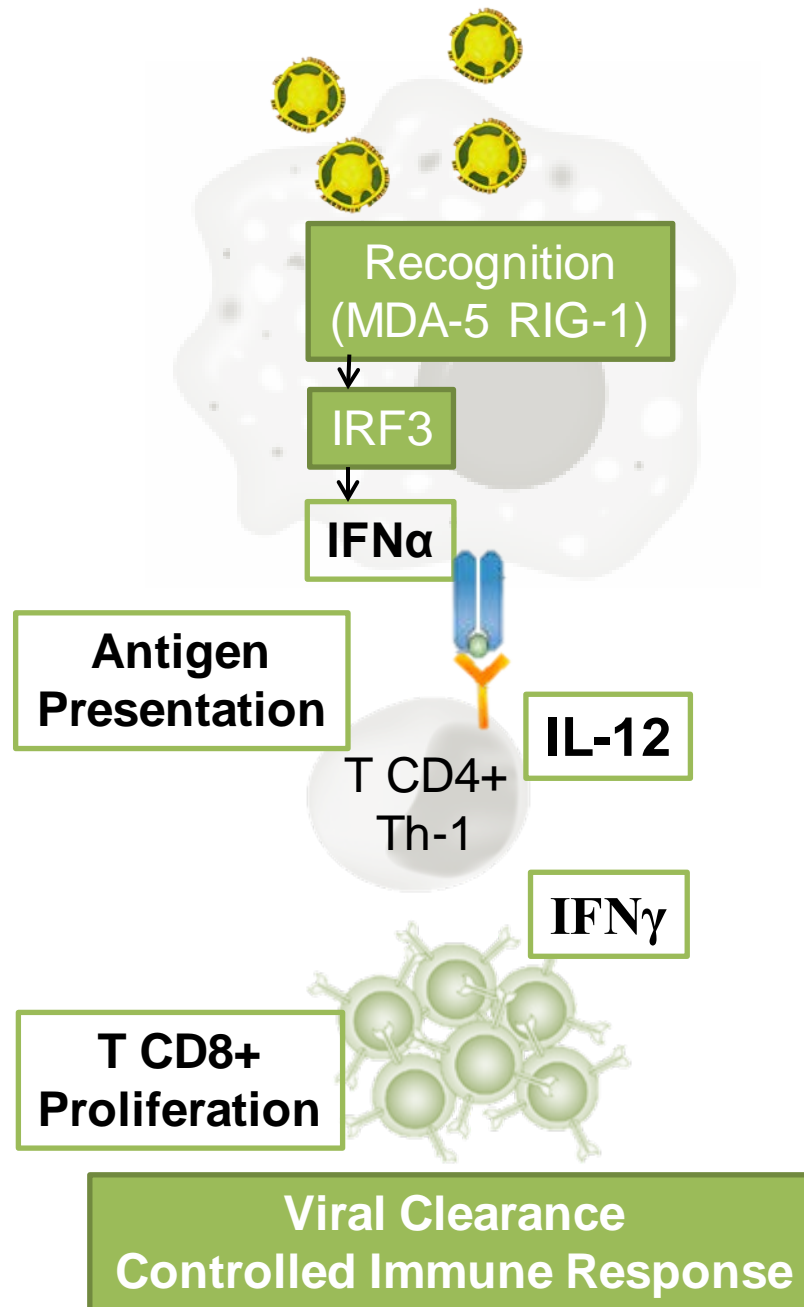
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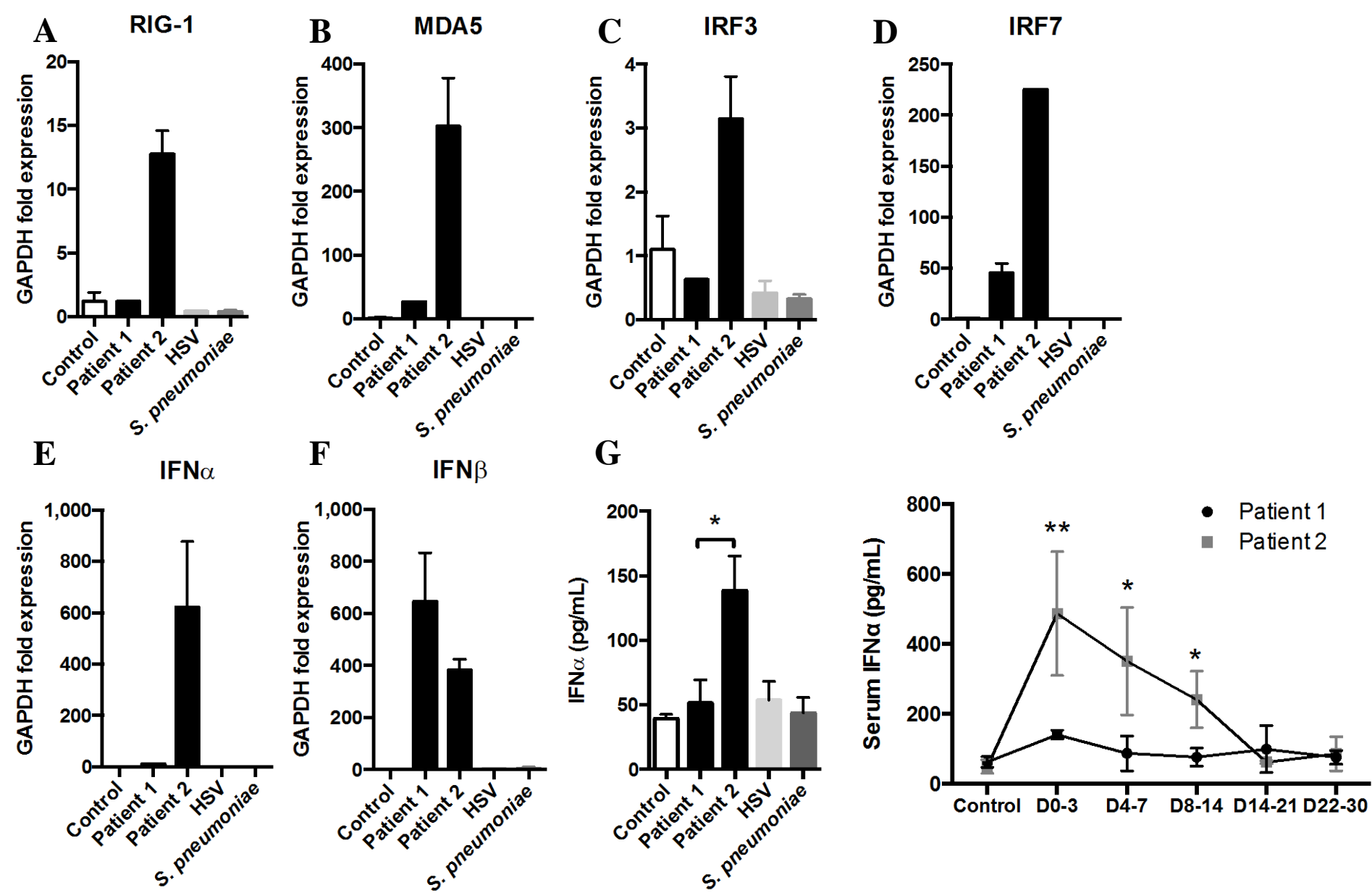


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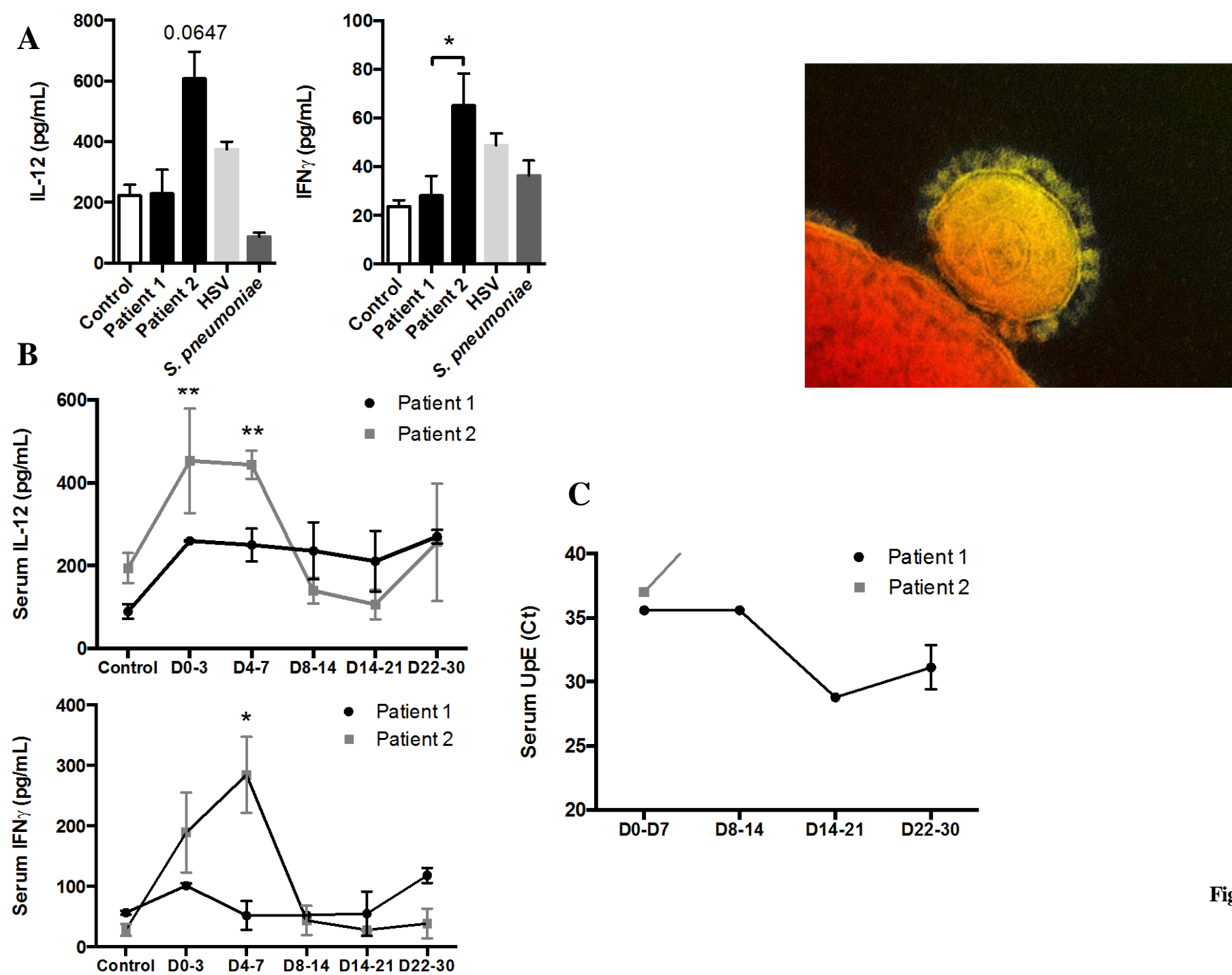
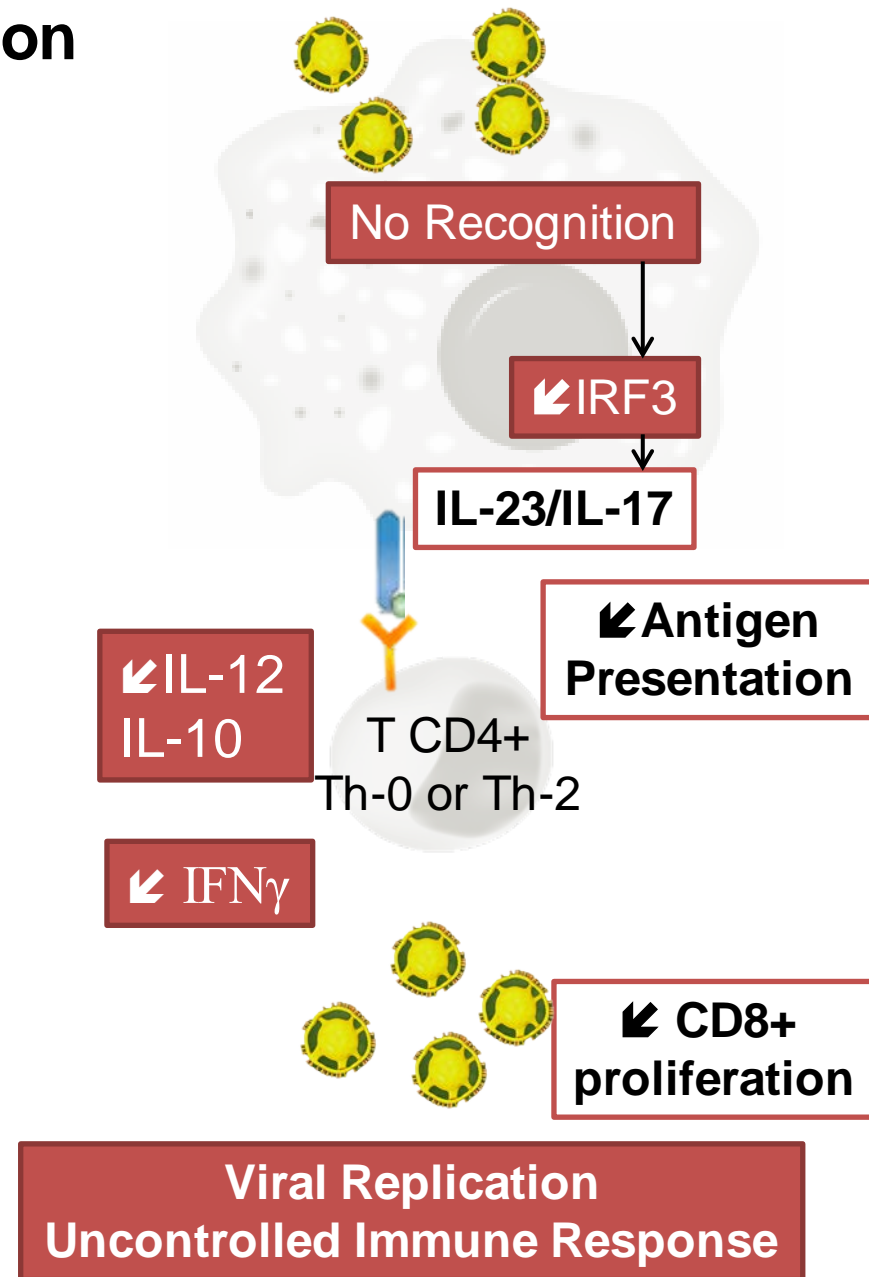
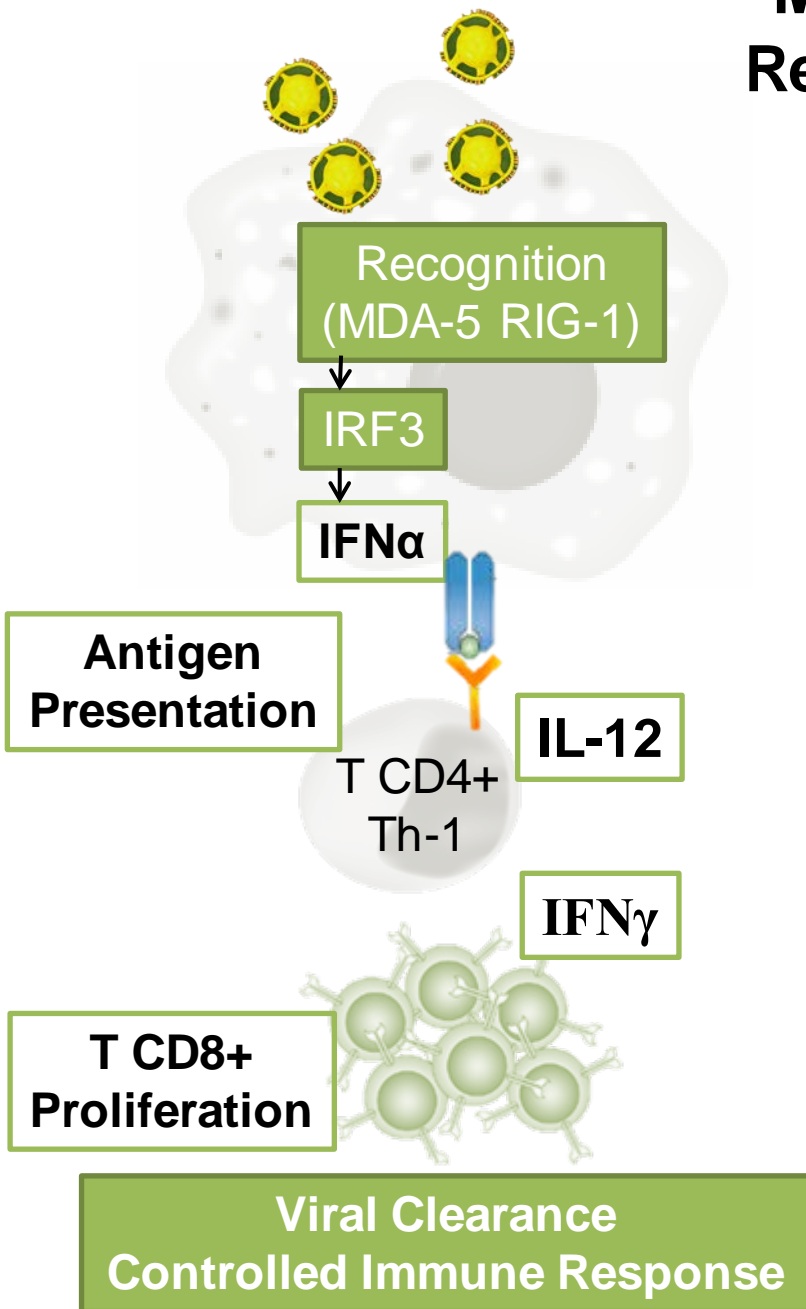


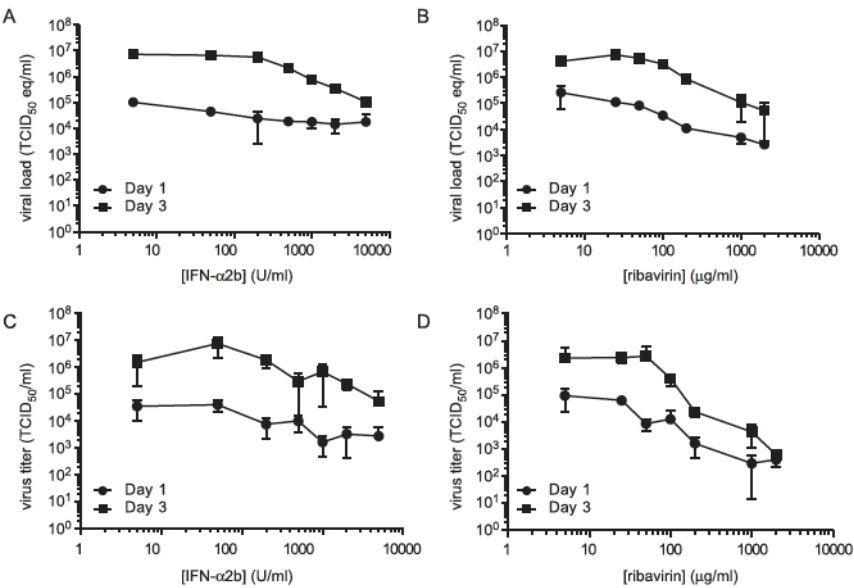
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# MERS-CoV Recognition

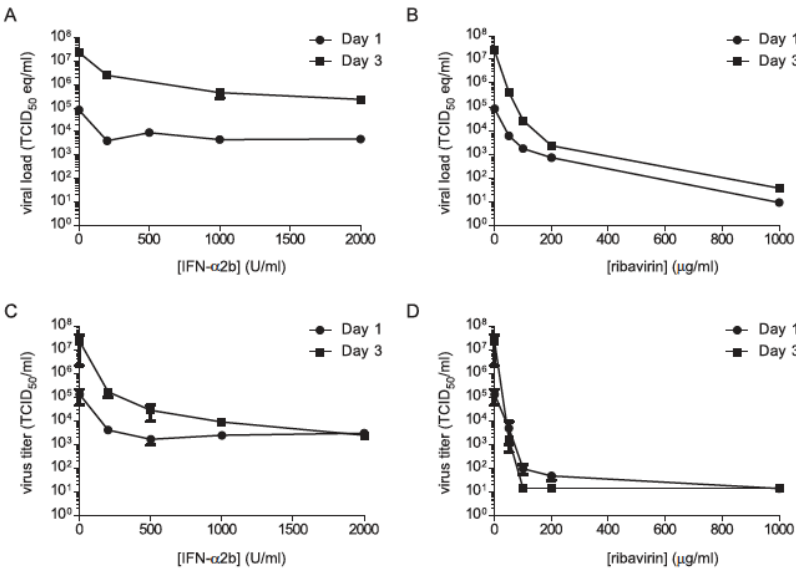


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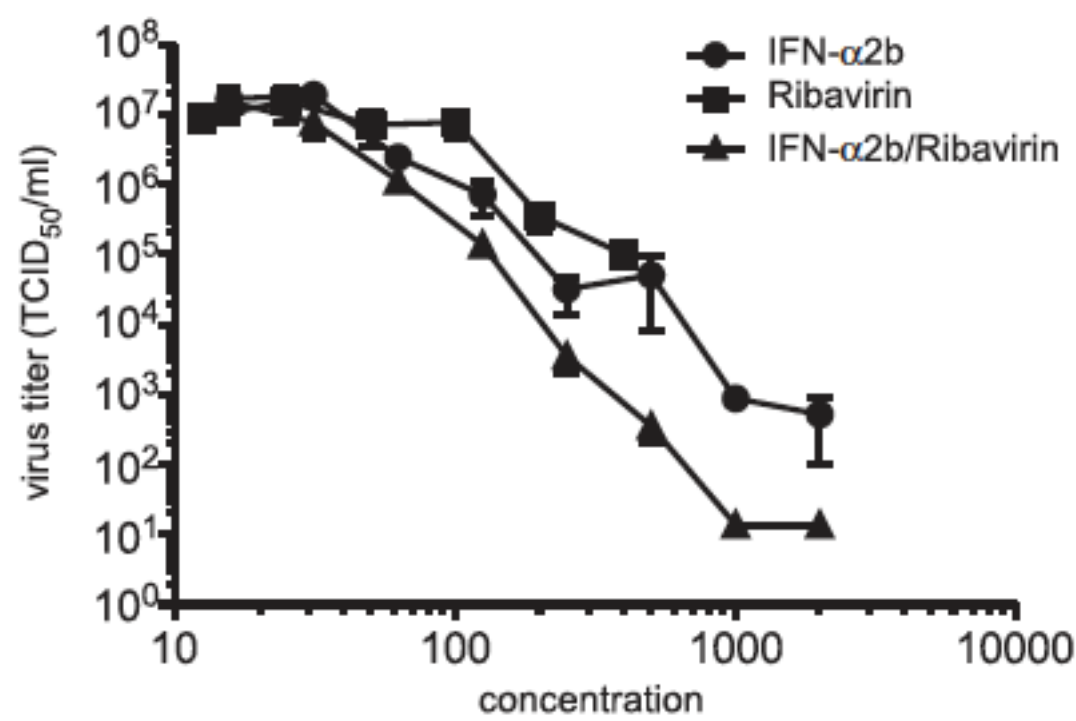
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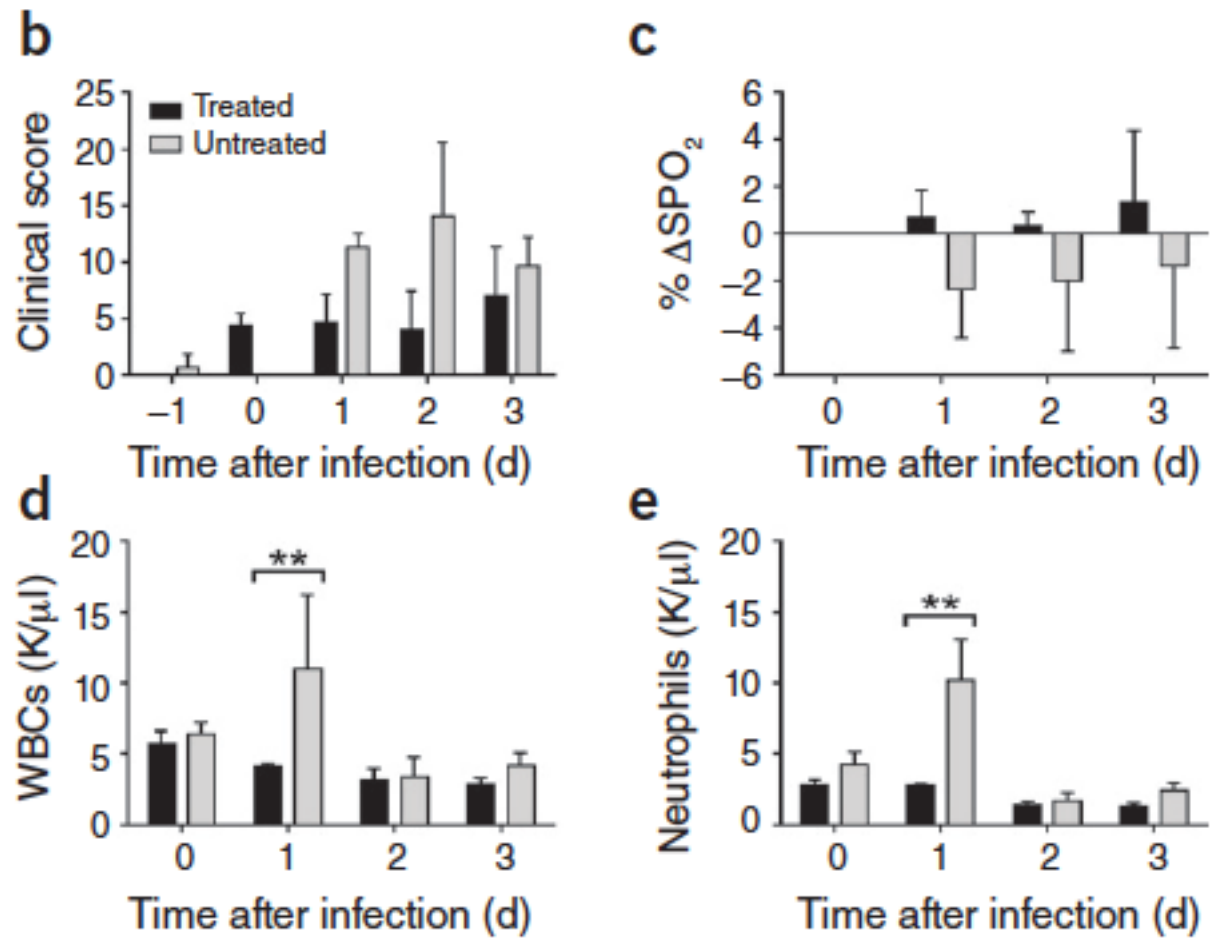
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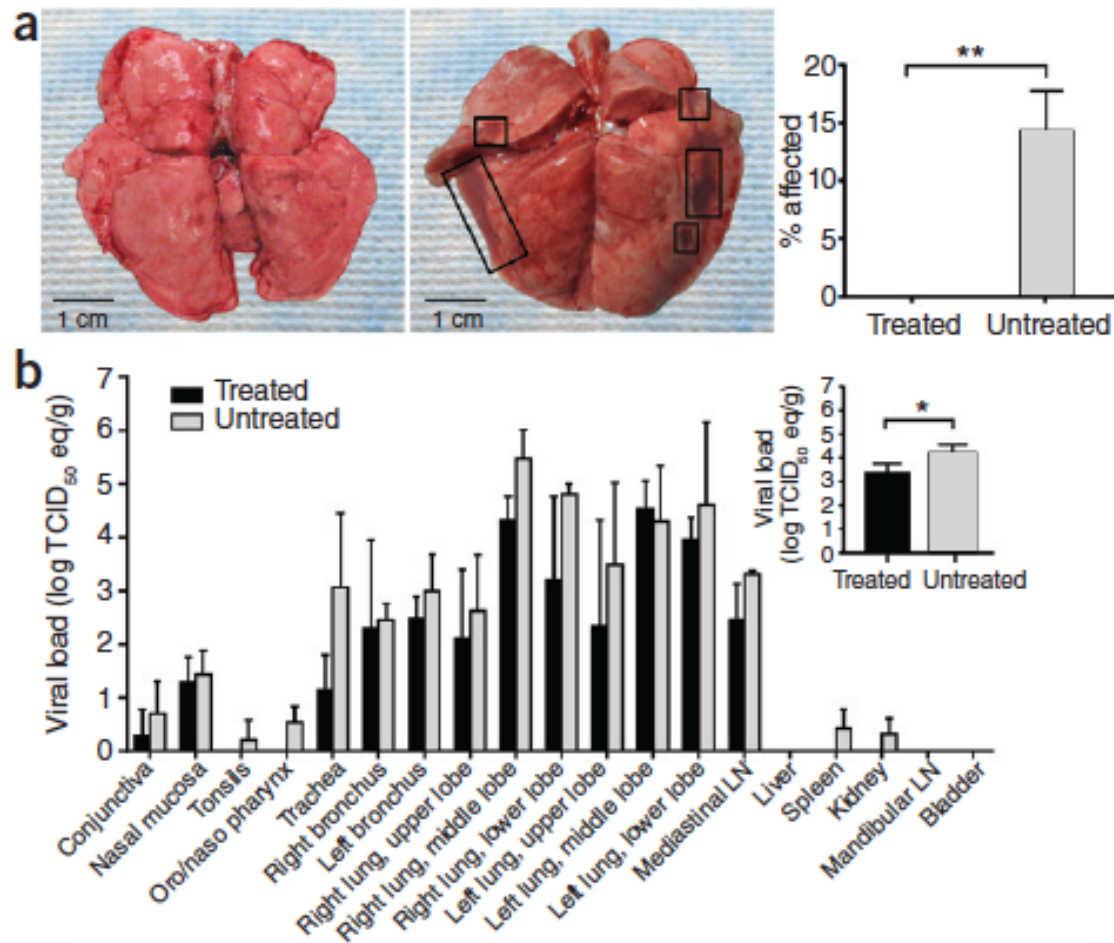
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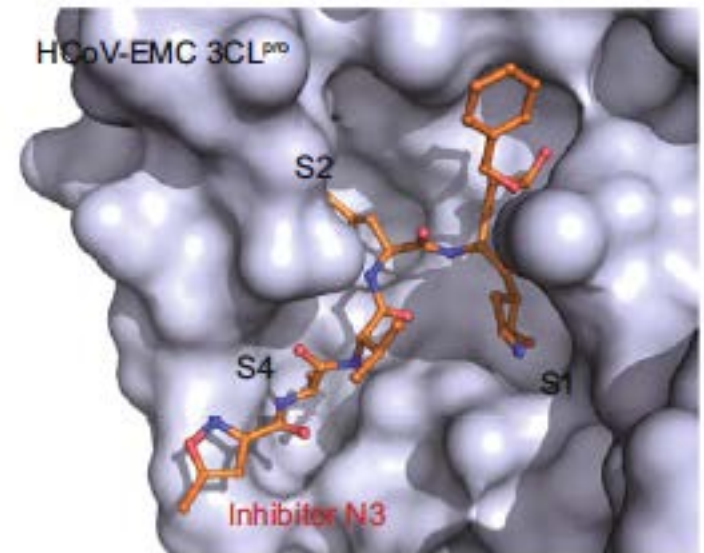
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# The newly emerged SARS-Like coronavirus HCoV-EMC also has an “Achilles’ heel”: current effective inhibitor targeting a 3C-like protease

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- ✓ Replication of coronavirus requires correct proteolytic processing of the **replicase polyprotein** by viral proteases, in particular a chymotrypsin-like protease (**3CLpro**, also known as main protease Mpro).
- ✓ Since 3CLpro is unique in the virus **but not found in the host cell**, this protein is a prominent target for the development antivirals against CoV infections
- ✓ Number of **inhibitors** have been discovered that prohibit the infection of CoV through their action on 3CLpro



# Cross-reactive antibodies in convalescent SARS patients' sera against the emerging novel human coronavirus EMC (2012) by both immunofluorescent and neutralizing antibody tests

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- ✓ Seroprevalence study
  - ✓ 94 game-food animal handlers at a wild life market
  - ✓ 28 SARS patients
  - ✓ 152 healthy blood donors
- ✓ Two (2.1%) animal handlers had IF antibody titer of 1:20 against both HCoV-EMC and SARS-CoV with neutralizing antibody titer of  $\leq 1:10$ .
- ✓ 17/28 (60.7%) of SARS patients had significant IF antibody titers with 7/28 (25%) having anti-HCoV-EMC neutralizing antibodies at low titers
- ✓ Virulence of SARS-CoV over other betacoronaviruses may boost cross-reactive neutralizing antibodies against other betacoronaviruses.
- ✓ Conclusions: Convalescent SARS sera may contain cross-reactive antibodies against other betacoronaviruses and confound seroprevalence study for HCoV-EMC.

# Therapeutic Options for Middle East Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (MERS-CoV) – possible lessons from a systematic review of SARS-CoV therapy

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Medication	Normal dose CrCl > 50ml/min	Impaired renal function CrCl (20-50 ml/min)	ESRD (Hemodialysis) CrCl < 20ml/min
Ribavirin oral	2000 mg loading dose then 1200mg q8h for 4 days, then 600mg po q8h for 4-6 days	2000 mg loading dose then 600 mg po q8h for 4 days, 200 mg po q6h for 4-6 days	2000 mg loading dose then 200mg po q6h for 4 days, then 200mg po q12h
Peg interferon alfa 2b	1.5mcg/kg once per week x 2	Same dose	Same dose
Lopinavir 400 mg/ ritonavir 100 mg oral	Lopinavir 400 mg/ ritonavir 100 mg twice daily for 10 days. May be given in combination with Ribavirin	Same dose	Same dose
convalescent plasma	300- 500 ml of full plasma (3 – 5 ml/kg) With a rate of 2ml/min for one time in day 2 of ICU admission.	Same dose	Same dose

# Propositions

- ✓ Compare Ribavirin+IFN vs either Riba or **IFN alone**
  - Ribavirin 10mg/kg/8h IV
  - IFN  $\alpha$ 2b 5 M IU/kg/16h SC or PEG-IFN
- ✓ Monoclonal antibodies: Dutch and English
- ✓ **Convalescent plasma** if available
- ✓ Consider may be steroids very early in the disease as well as cyclosporin
  - based on the host response profile
  - Associated to IFN for replication?