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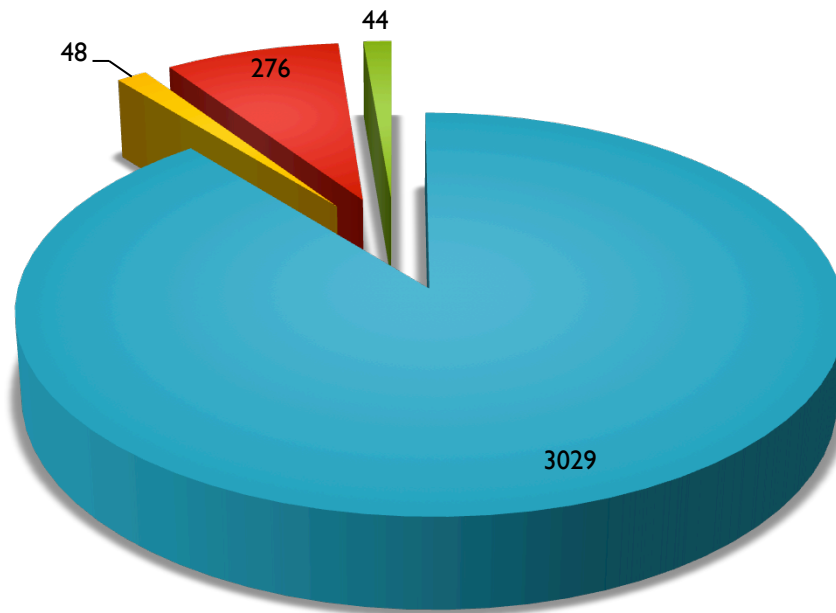
a necessary pause in the flow of time

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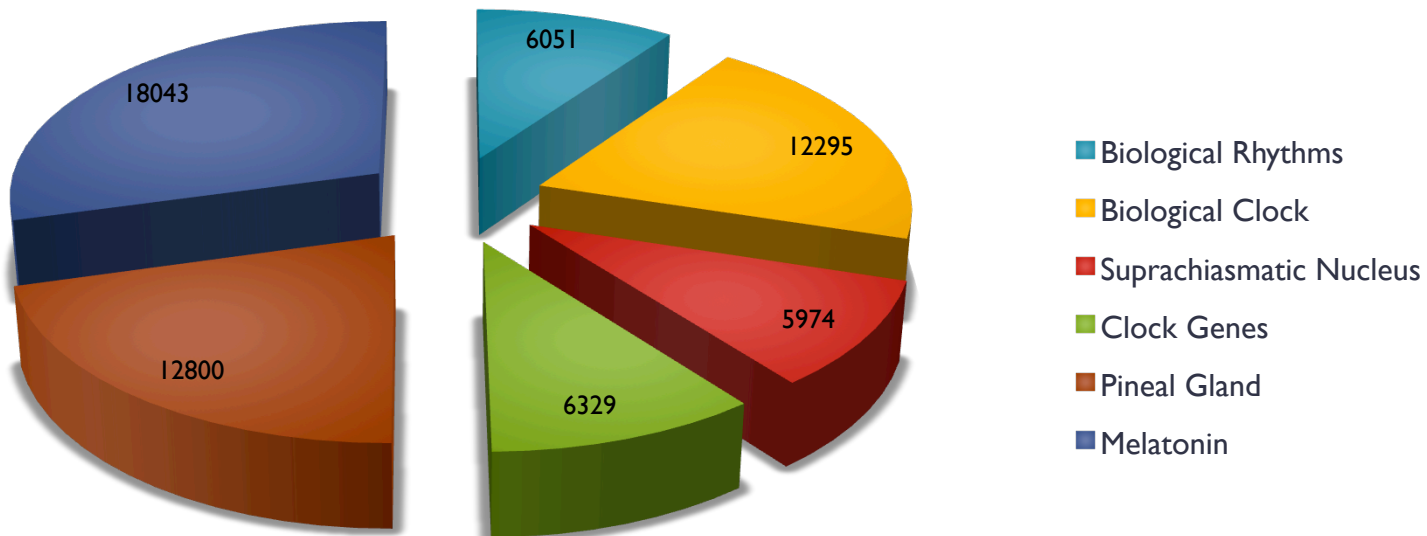
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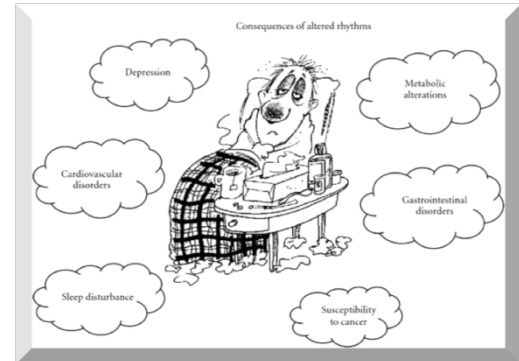
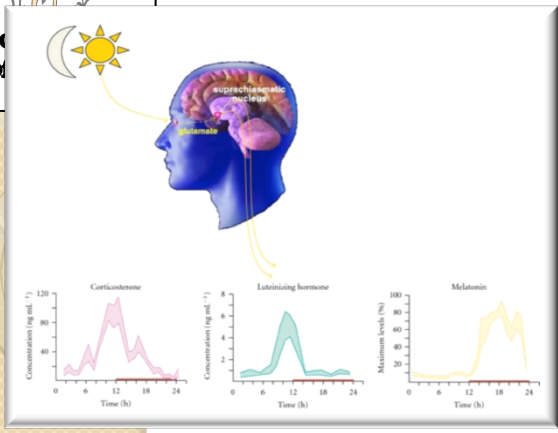
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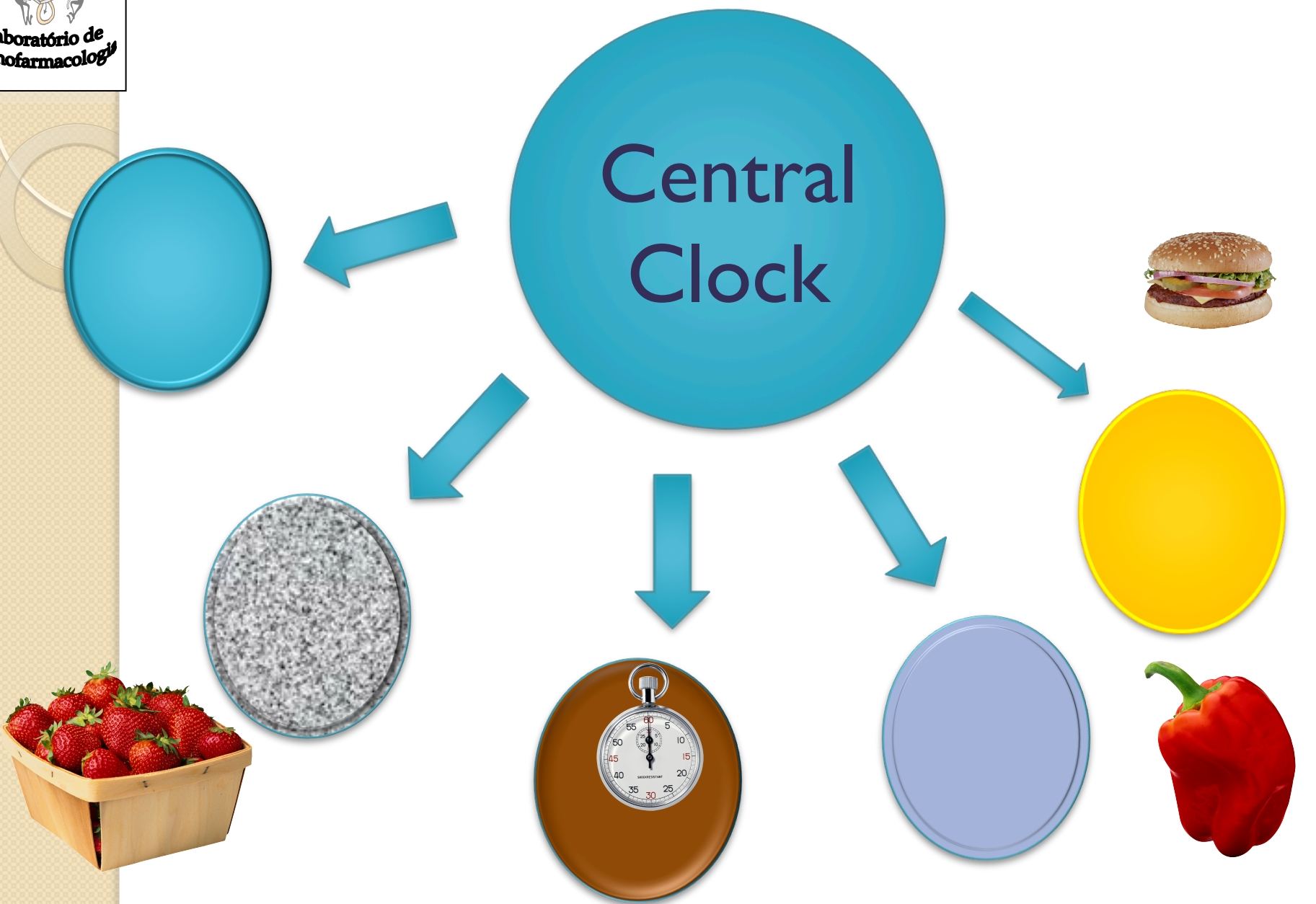
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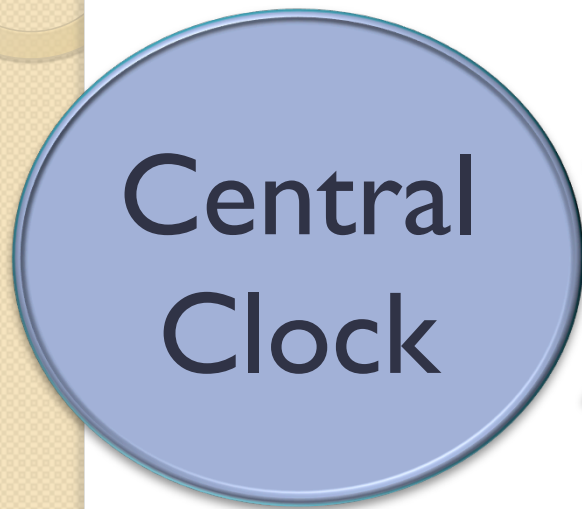
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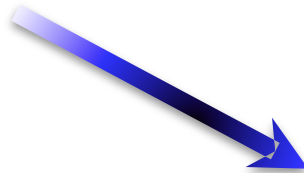


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Global Command –
TIME HORMONES



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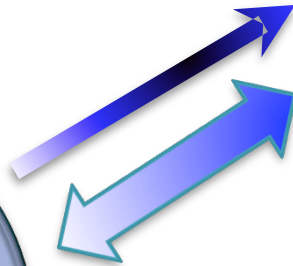
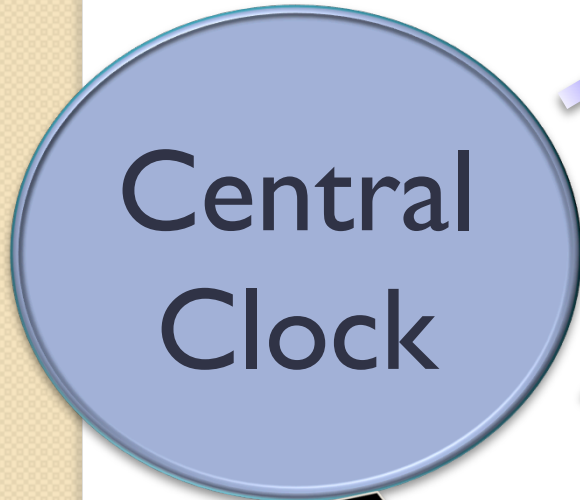


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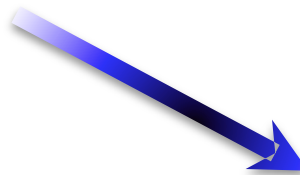
OOOPS..... WHAT A MASS...



Inputs to the
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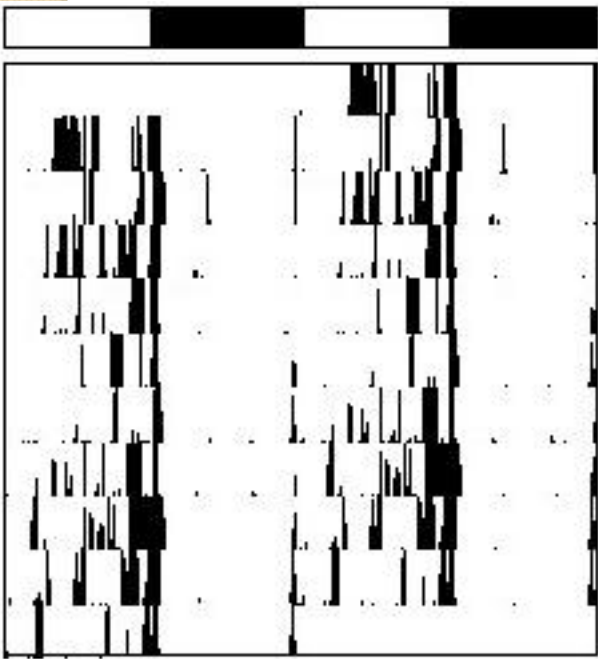
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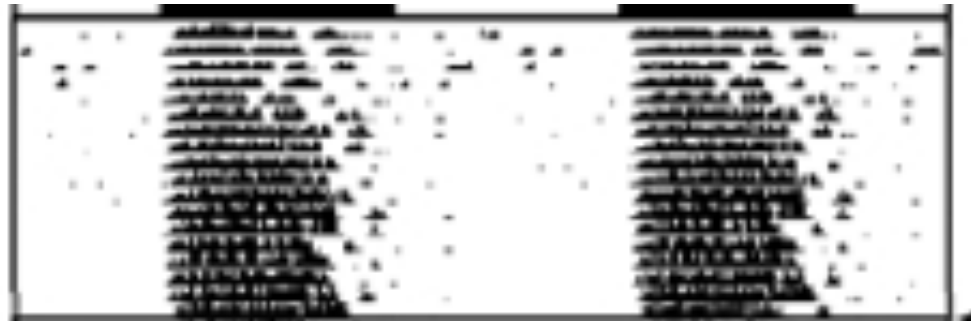
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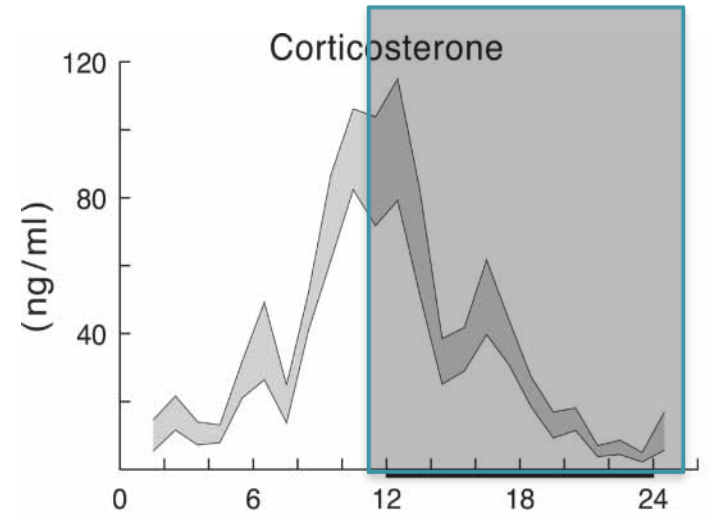
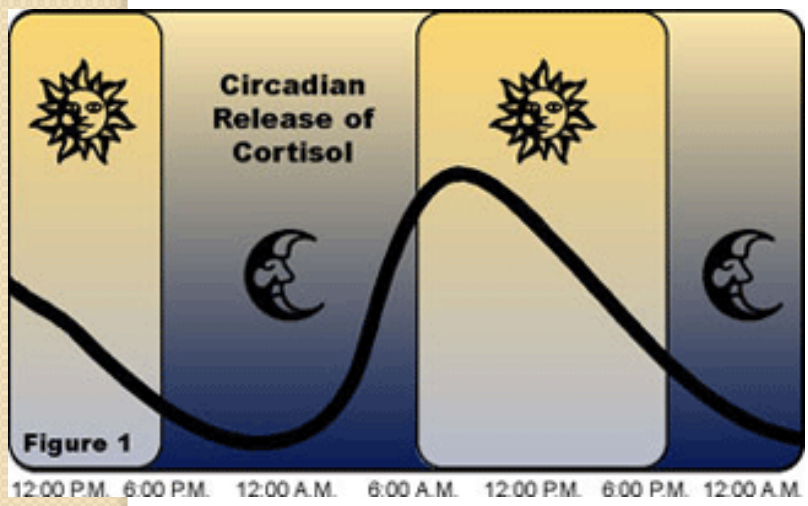
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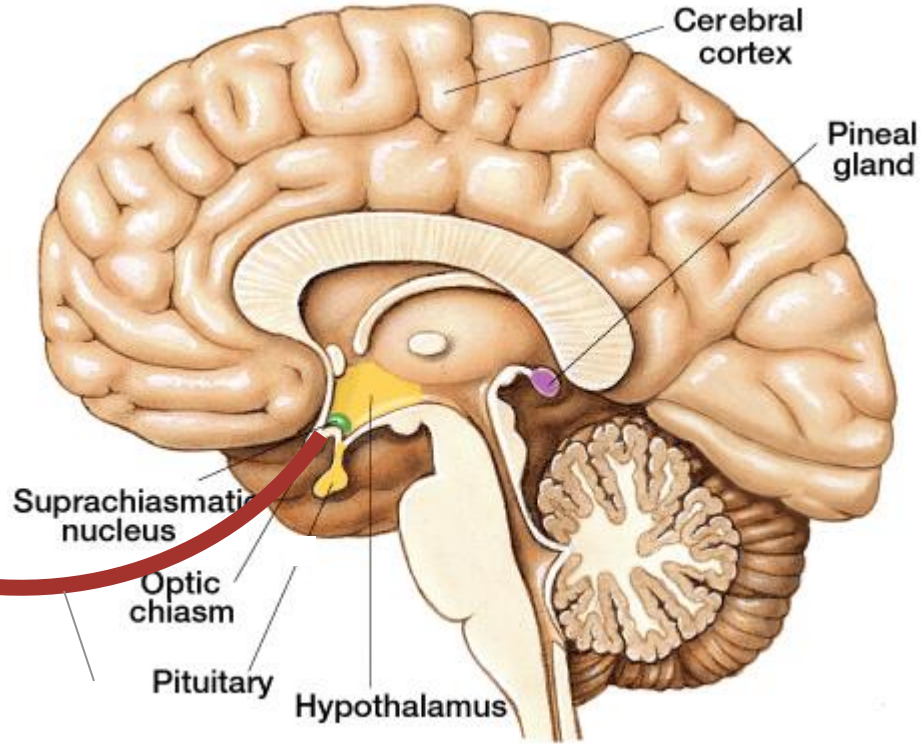
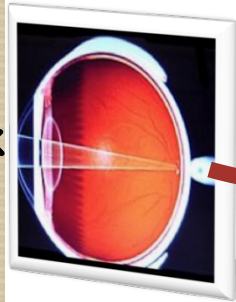


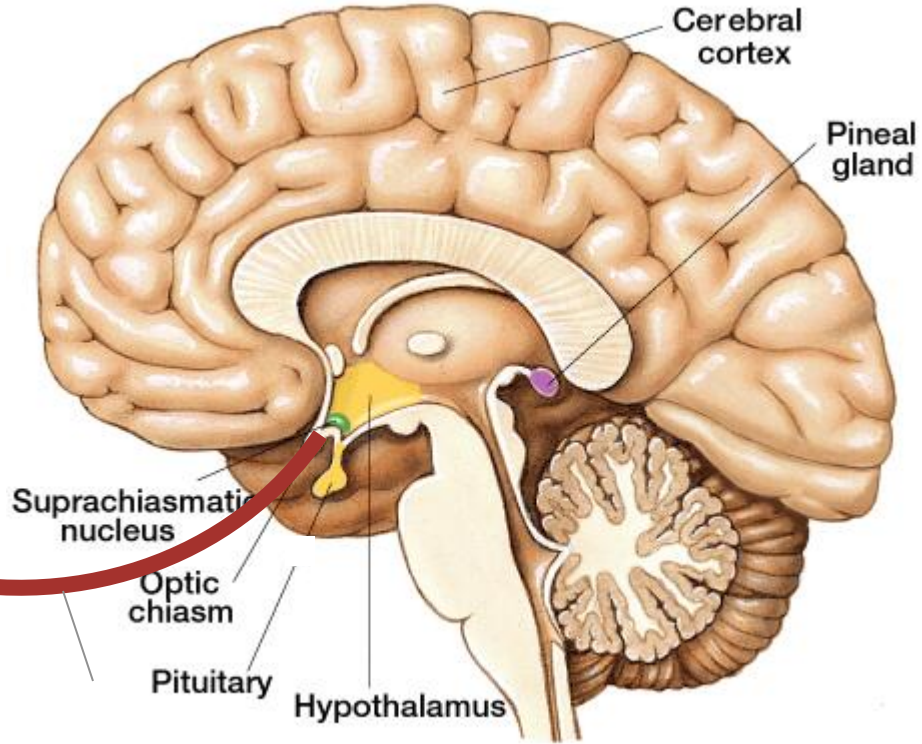
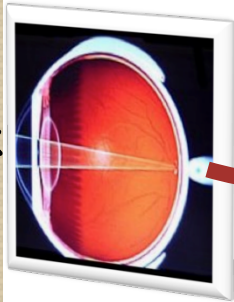
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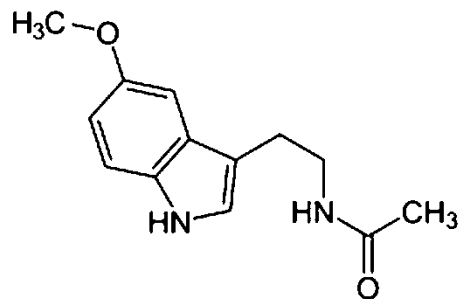
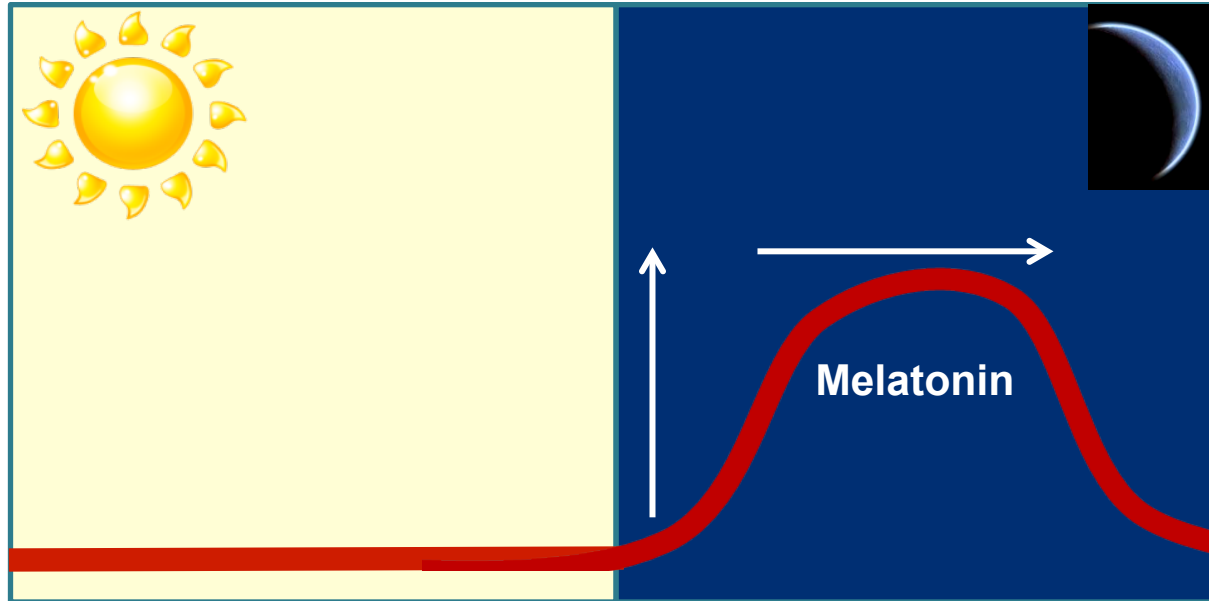








Melatonin – the darkness hormone



Melatonin the darkness hormone



Dinoflagelados



algas verdes (*Euglena*)

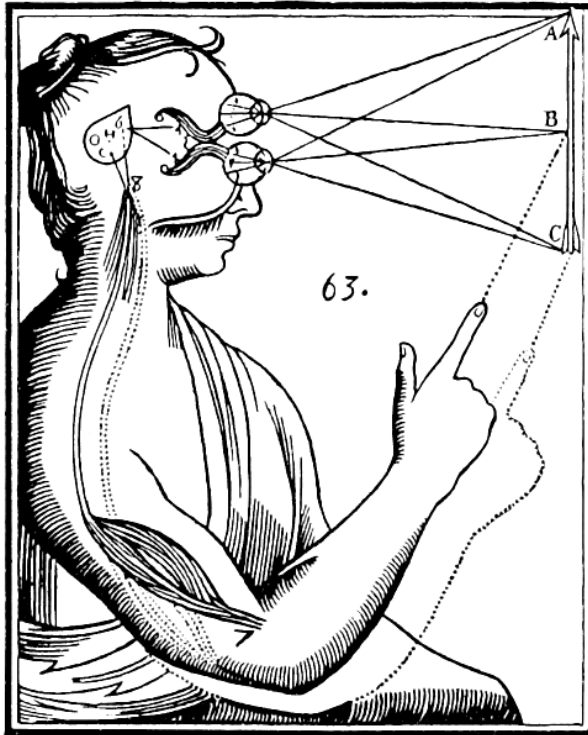


planaria (*Dugesia* sp.)



• crustáceos
(*Procambarus clarkii*).





René Descartes, dedicating much time to the study of the pineal gland, called it the "principal seat of the soul".^[36]

He believed it to be the point of connection between the intellect and the body.^[37]

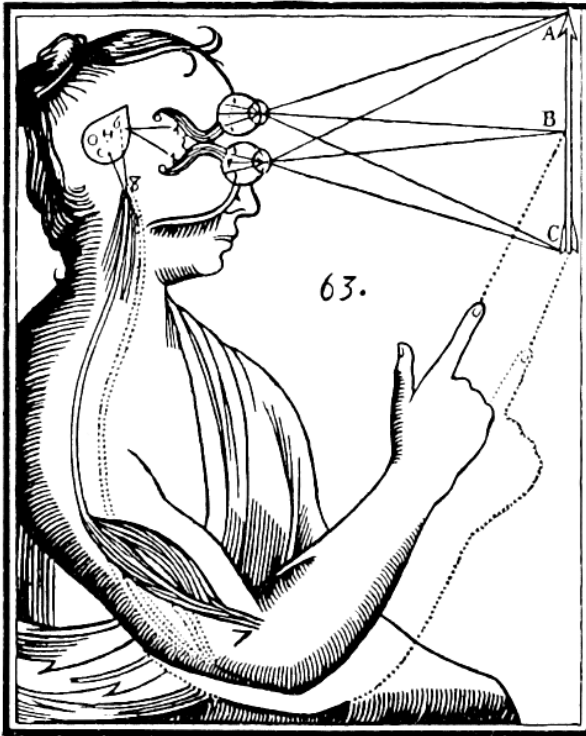
Descartes attached significance to the gland because he believed it to be the only section of the brain to exist as a **single part rather than one-half of a pair.**

He argued that, because a person can never have "more than one thought at a time," external stimuli must be united within the brain before being considered by the soul, and he considered the pineal gland to be situated in "the most suitable possible place for this purpose," located centrally in the brain and surrounded by branches of the carotid arteries.^[36]

[Descartes and the Pineal Gland \(Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy\)](#)

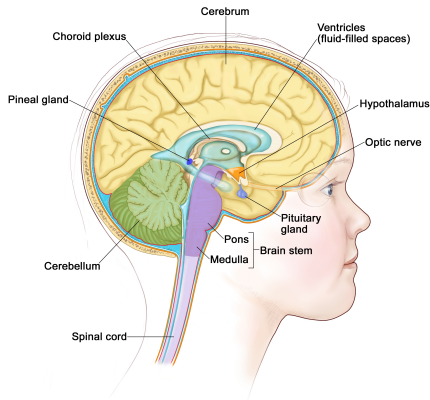
Jump up

[^] Descartes R. "The Passions of the Soul" excerpted from "Philosophy of the Mind," Chalmers, D. New York: Oxford University Press, Inc.; 2002. ISBN 978-0-19-514581-6

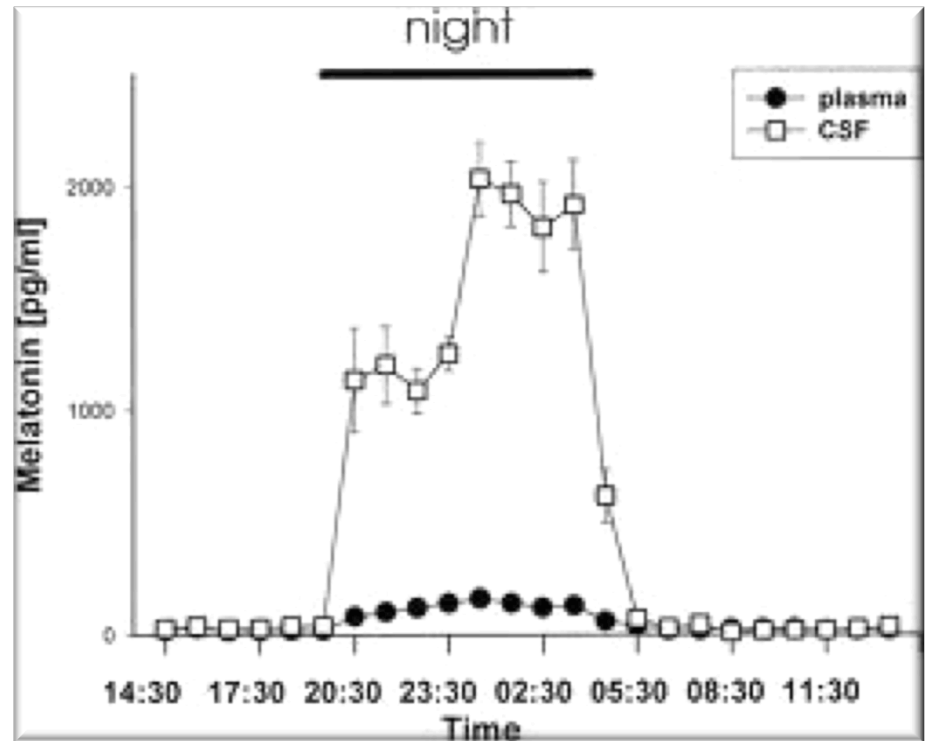
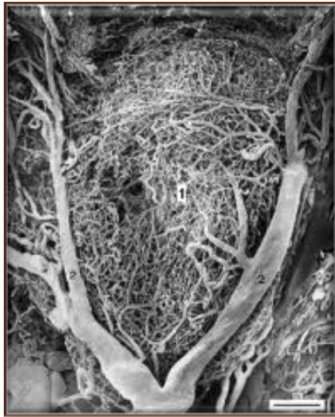


Baruch de Spinoza criticized Descartes' viewpoint for neither following from self-evident premises nor being "clearly and distinctly perceived" (Descartes having previously asserted that he could not draw conclusions of this sort), and questioned what Descartes meant by talking of "the union of the mind and the body."^[38]

Melatonin to blood and CSF

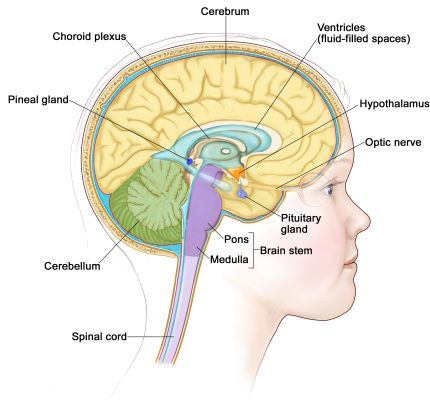


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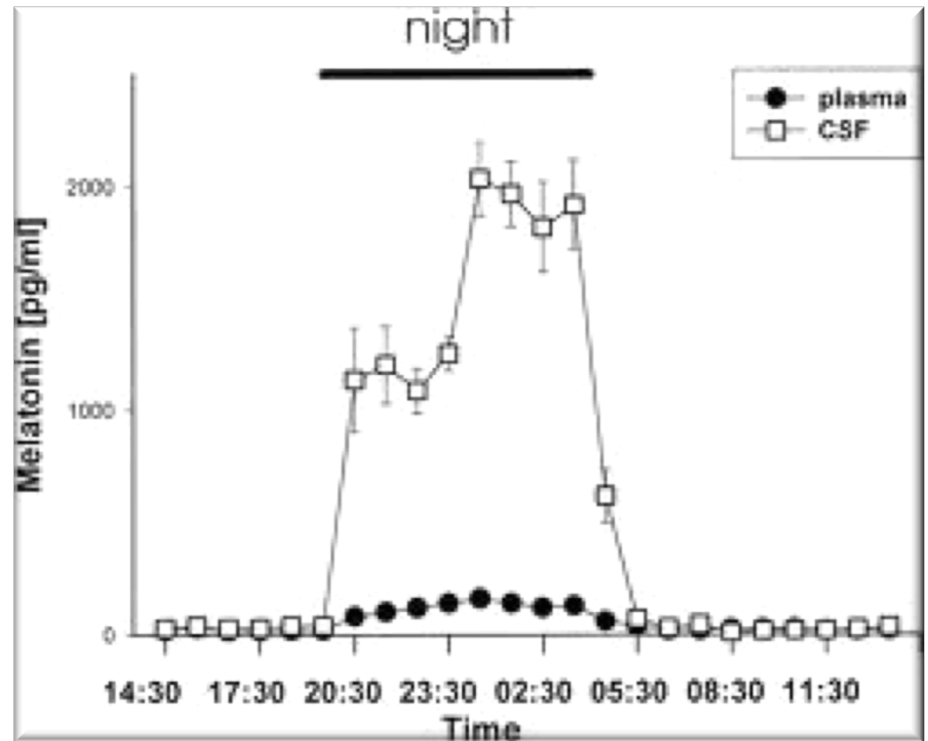
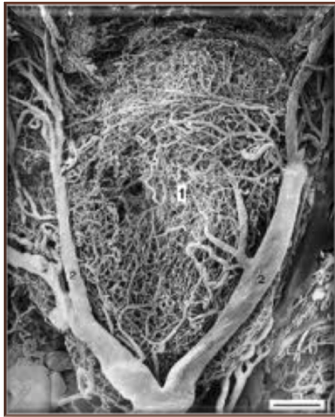


Skinner and Malpoux *Endocrinology* 140:4399–4405, 1999

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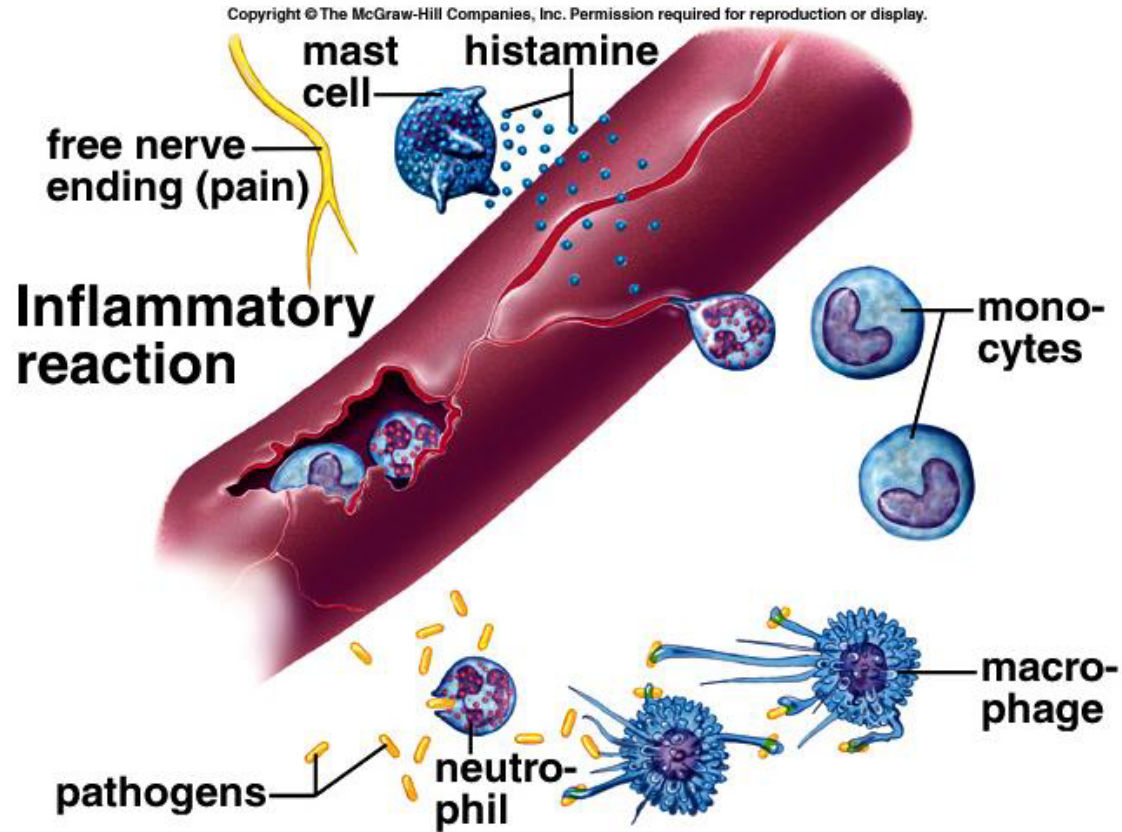
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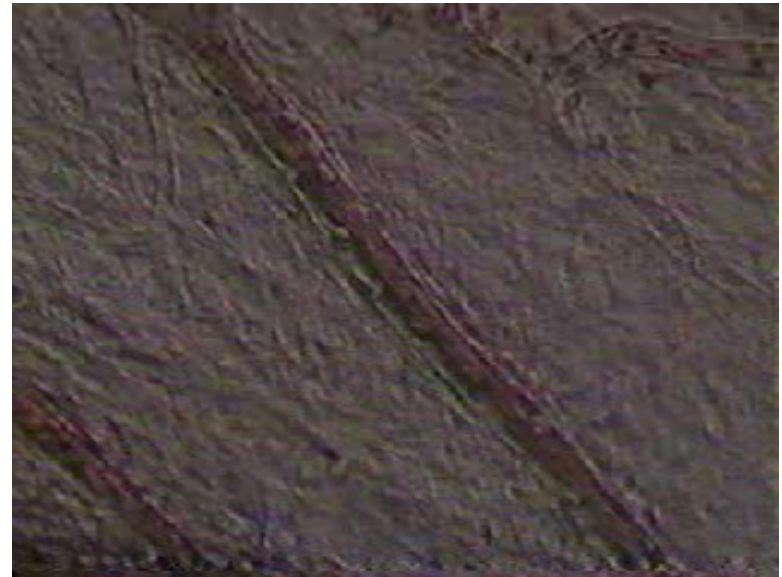


Rolling, adhesion and transmigration of leukocytes

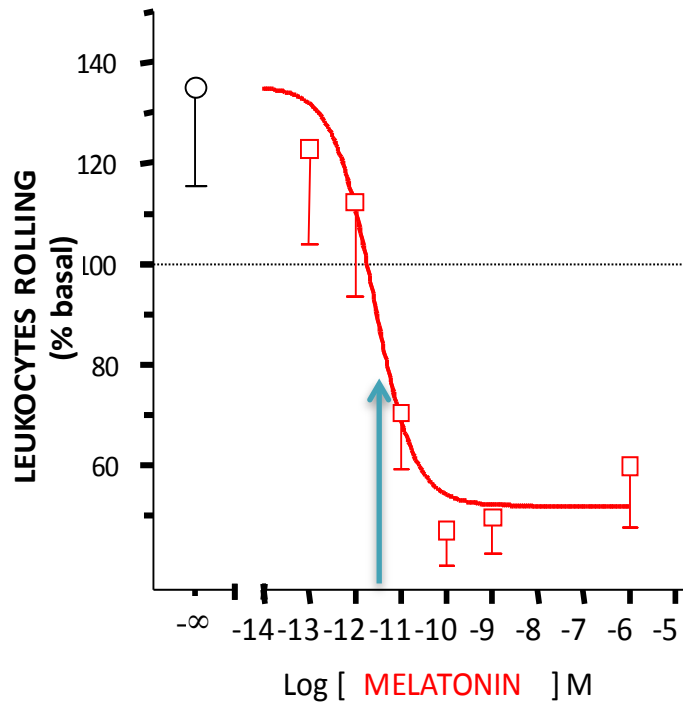
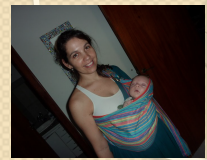




Intravital microscopy LTB4 -induced leukocyte migration

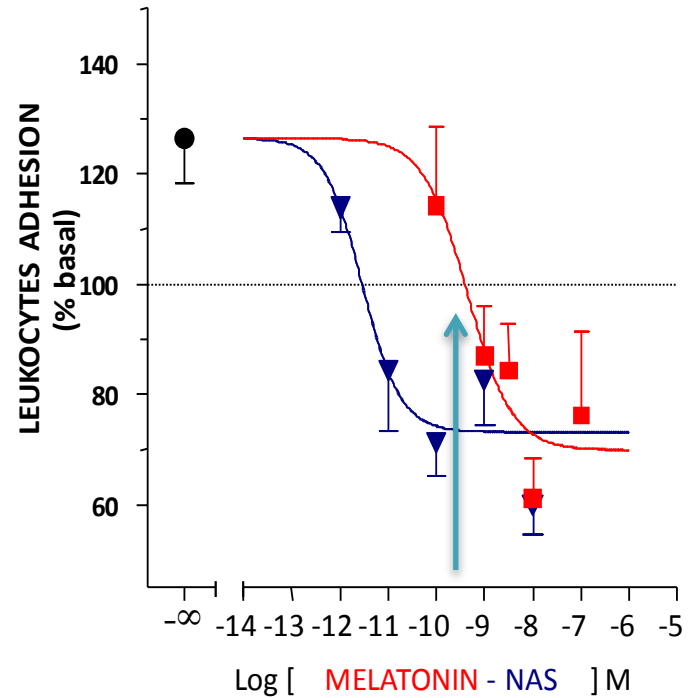


Effect of Melatonin on Rolling and Adhesion (LTB4) of Leukocytes



NAS no effect

MT2 R

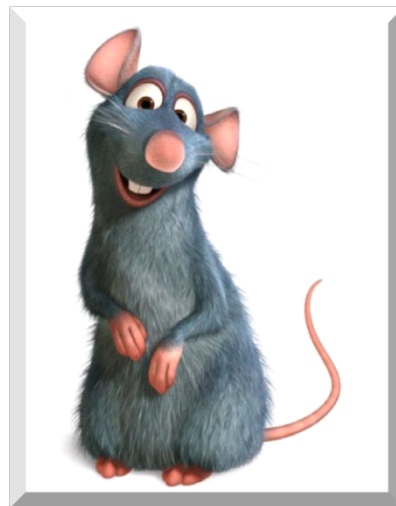


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Big Challenge!!!!

Rats are nocturnal animals...

Why should the mounting of an inflammatory response be impaired at night?

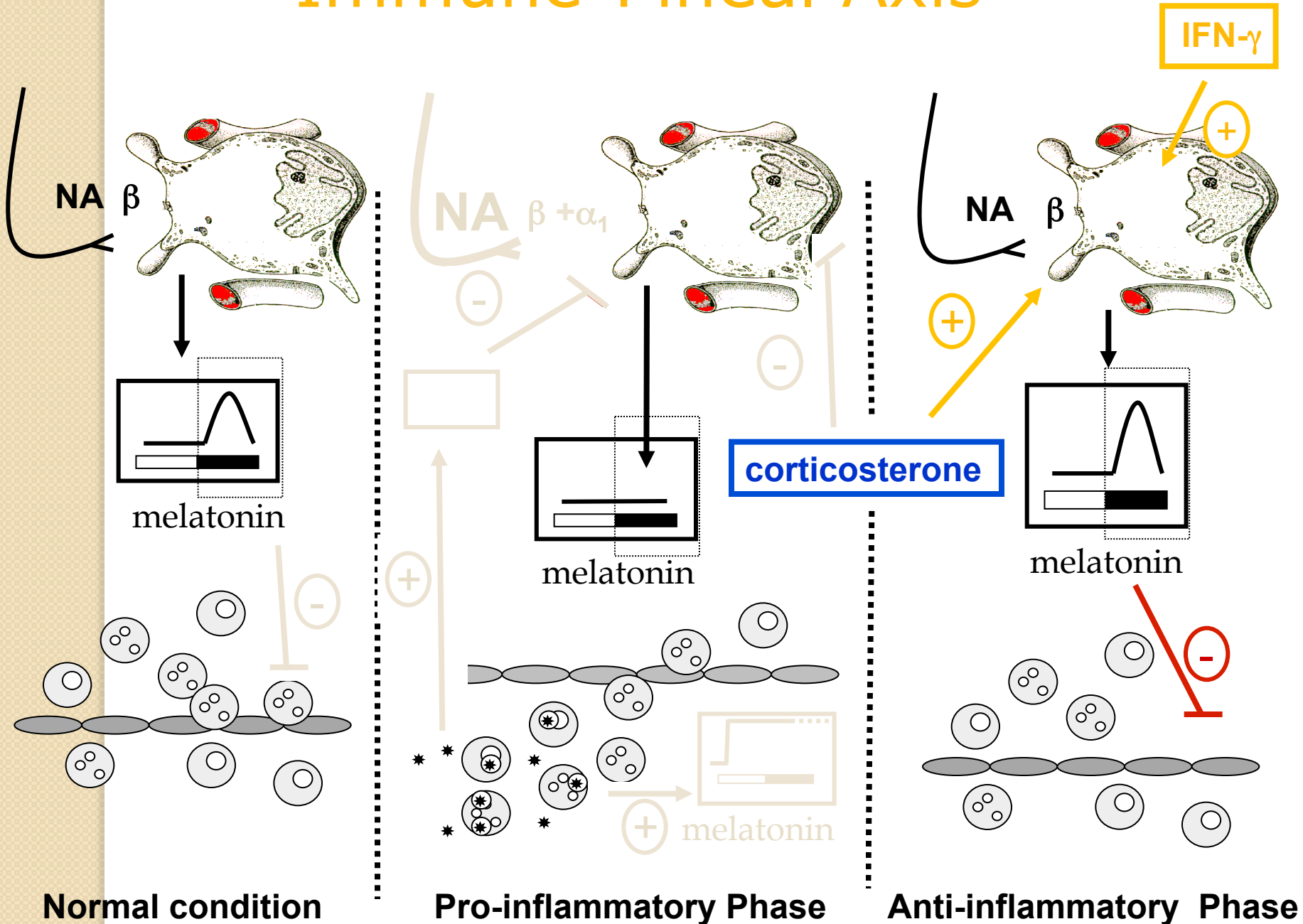


A basic characteristic of the inflammatory response is that it develops along the time in a very precise manner: **pro-inflammatory phase** is followed by a **recovery phase**.

The **pro-inflammatory phase** is designed to combat aggression, while the **recovery phase** provide the proper elements for healing the injured area.

Without a proper mounting of the inflammatory response, the recovery phase is also incomplete, favoring chronic inflammation, degenerative disease, or even cancer.

Immune-Pineal Axis

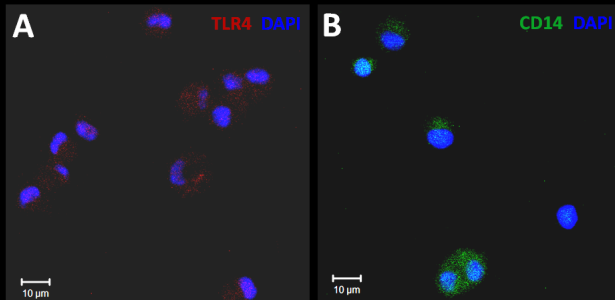
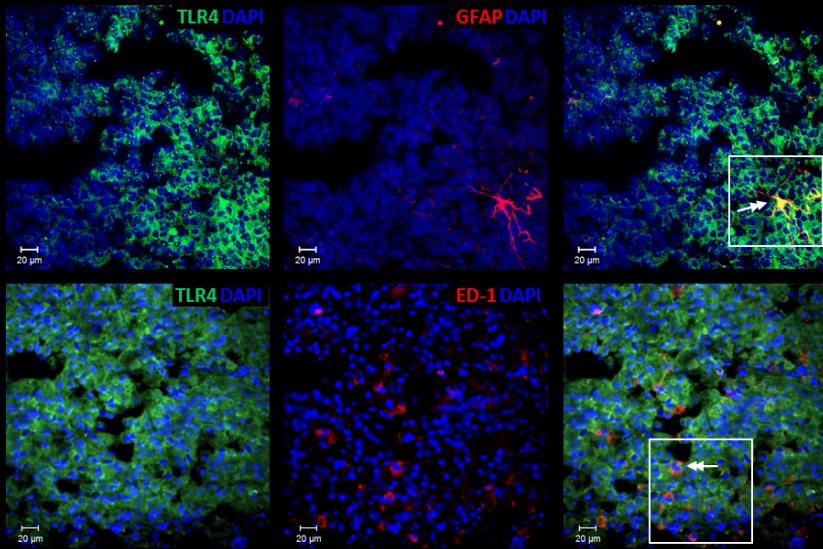


Immune-Pineal Axis - Working Hypothesis

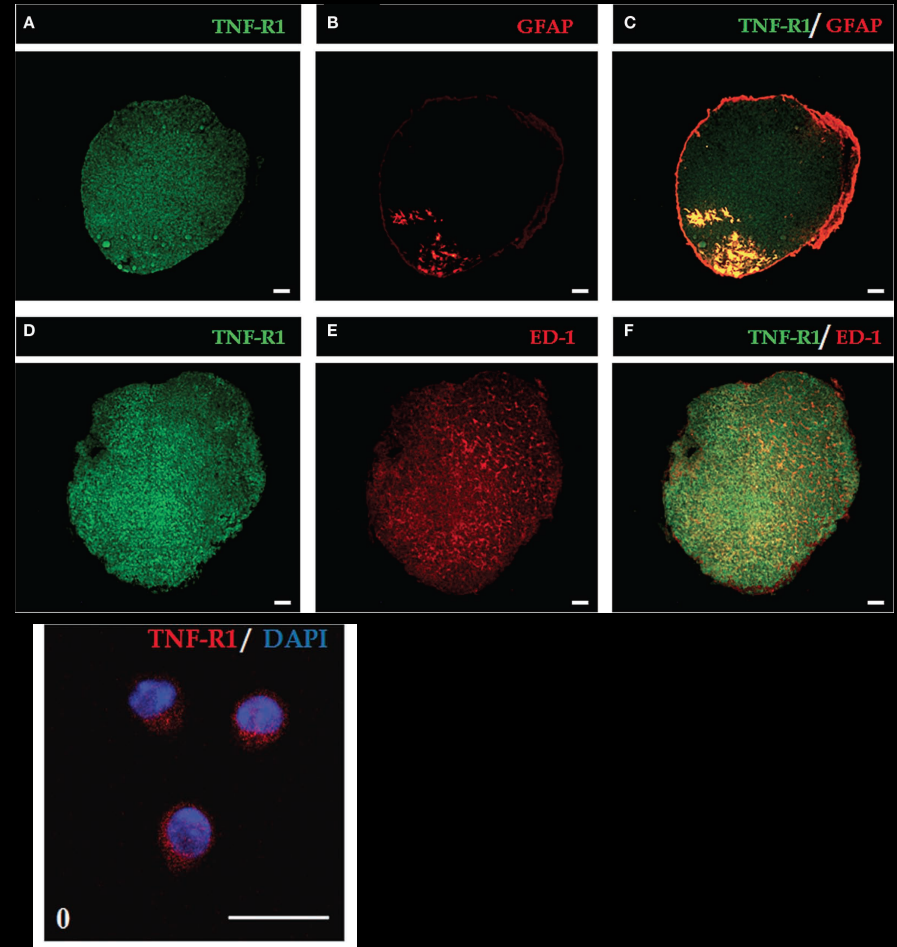
The pineal gland plays a role in:

- 1 – surveillance against undesirable cell migration:
melatonin inhibits migration of blood cells to
tissue under normal conditions
- 2 – mounting of an inflammatory response:
receptors for cytokines and pathogen associated
molecular patterns located in pinealocytes →
reduce or even suppress MEL synthesis
- 3 – activated immune-competent cells produce melatonin
which will act locally favoring the recovery phase

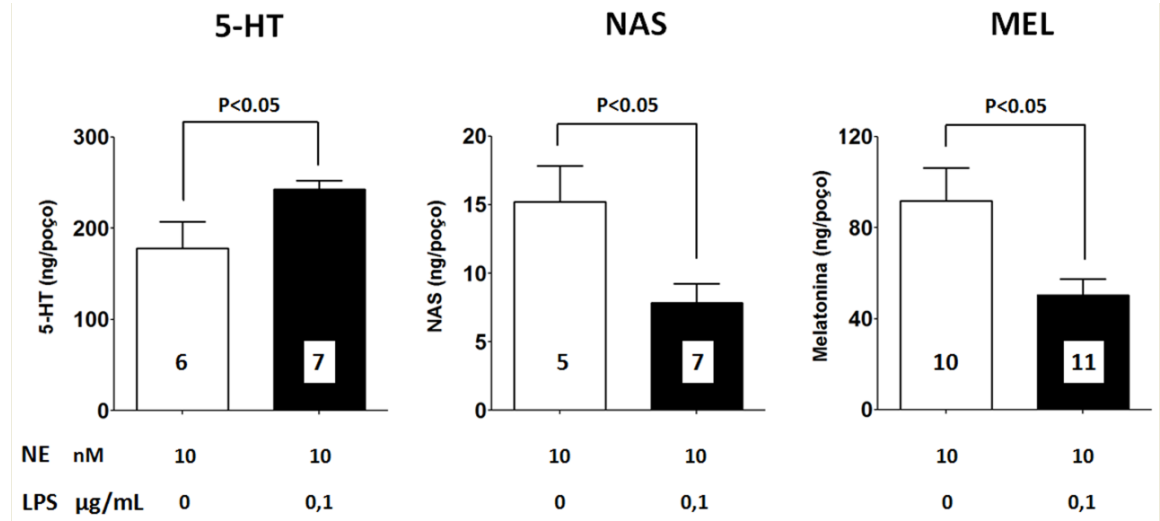
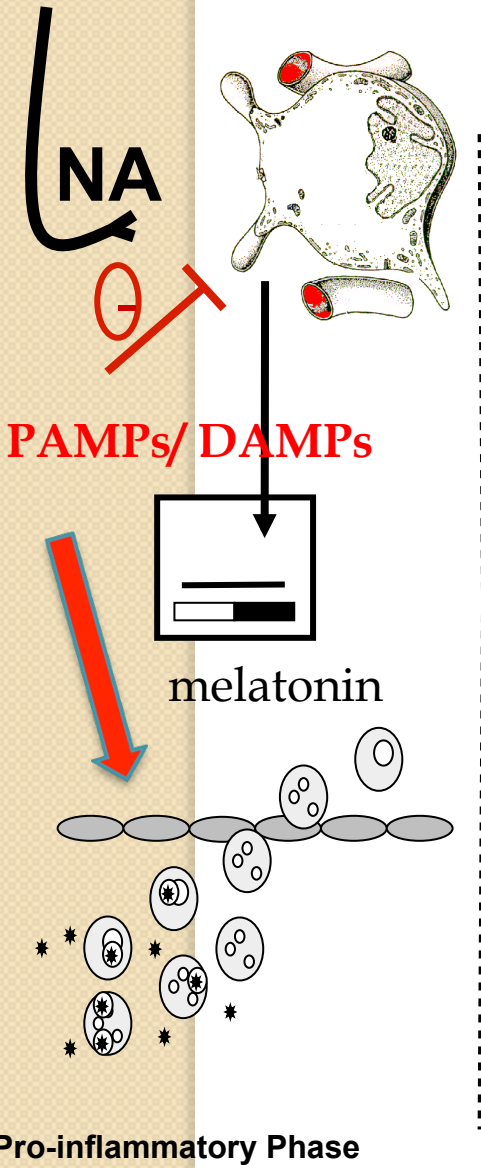
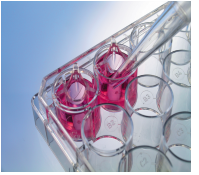
Binding Molecules to LPS



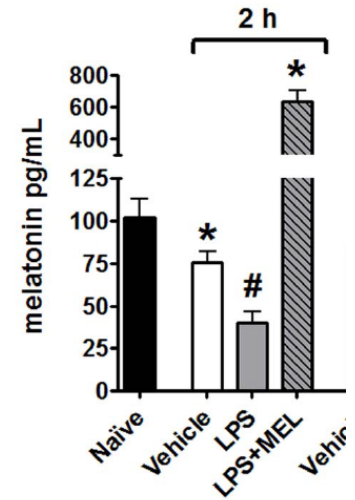
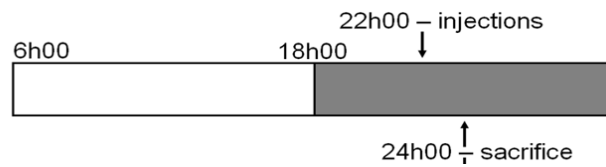
Receptor for TNF



TRP → 5HTP → 5HT → NAS → MEL



IV injection



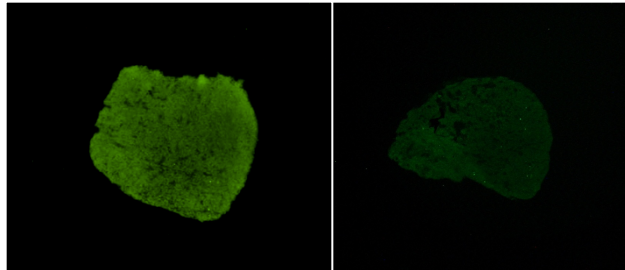
Rats LPS icv



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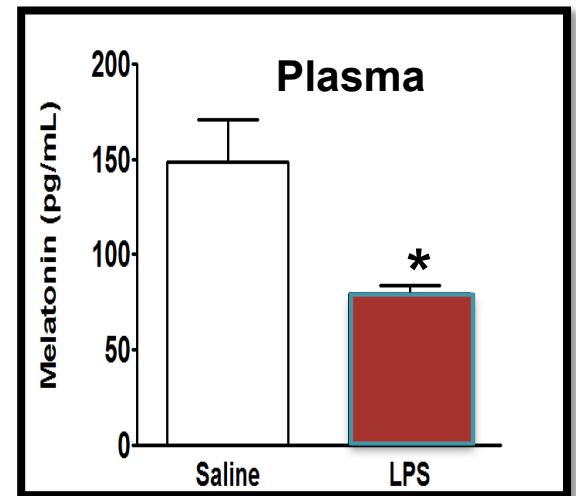
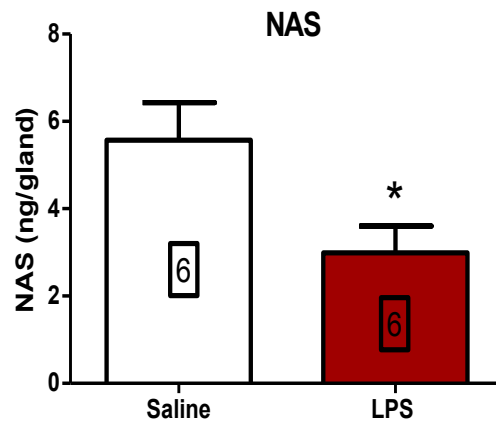
Pineal – AA-NAT

LPS (3 μ g/5 μ l) icv
at ZT 6 and killed at ZT 18



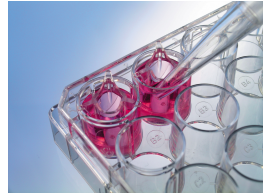
Pineal

Plasma



Pinato et al., Brain, Structure and Function, 2014

Stops Melatonin synthesis vitro and in vivo



Bacteria – (Tamura et al., 2010)

Funghi – (Pires-Lapa et al., 2012)

Cytokines – (Fernandes et al., 2006)

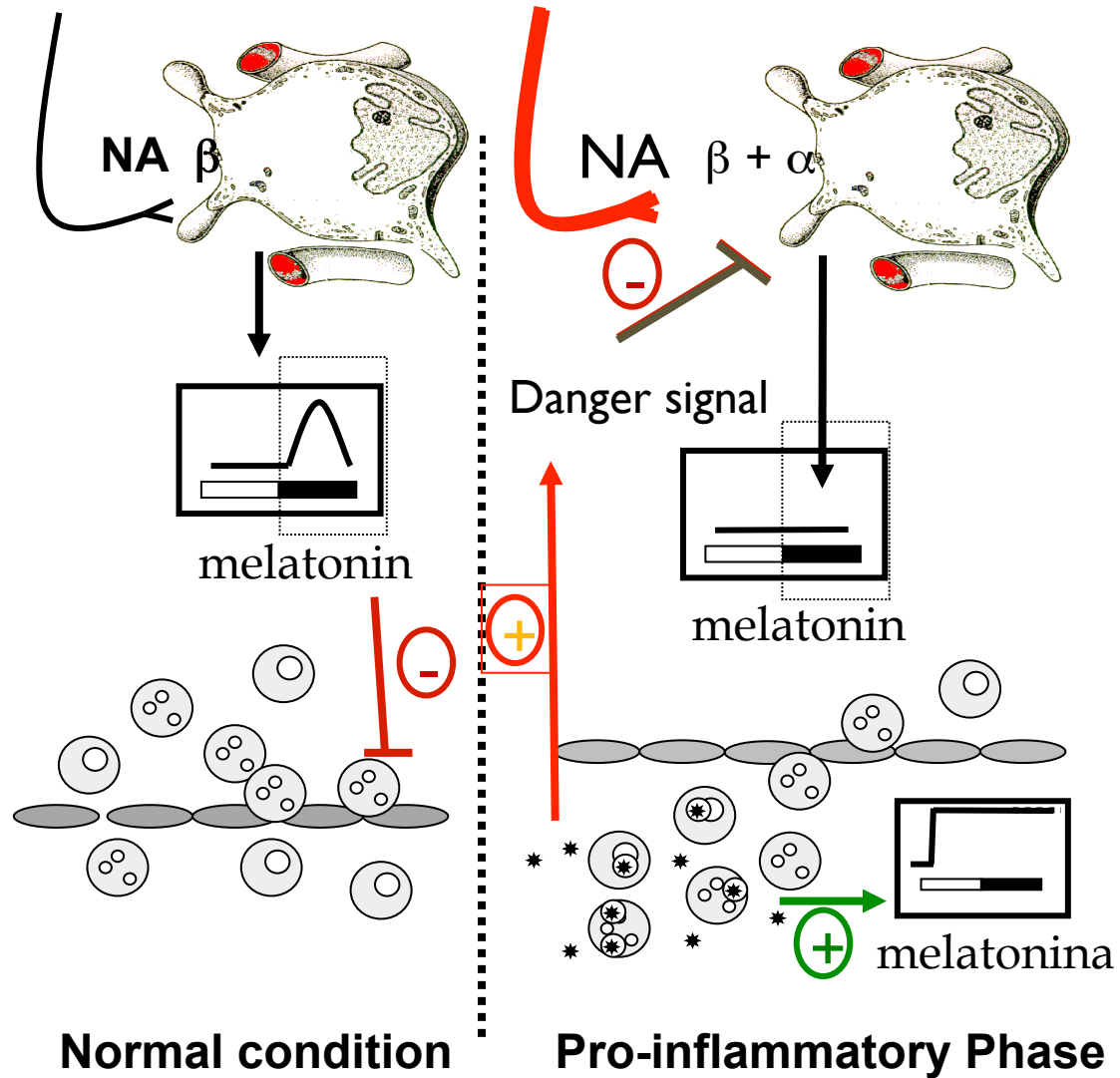
Hormones – (Fernandes et al., 2009)

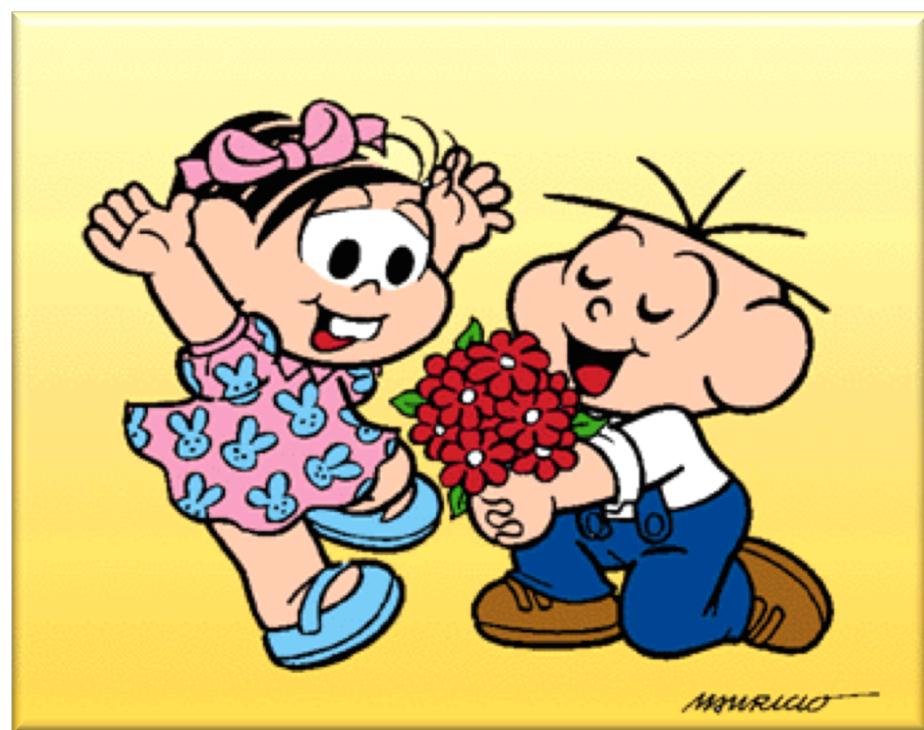
Beta- amyloid peptide (Alzheimer) – (Cecon et al., 2015)

And...

Does not..... parasites

Immune-Pineal Axis

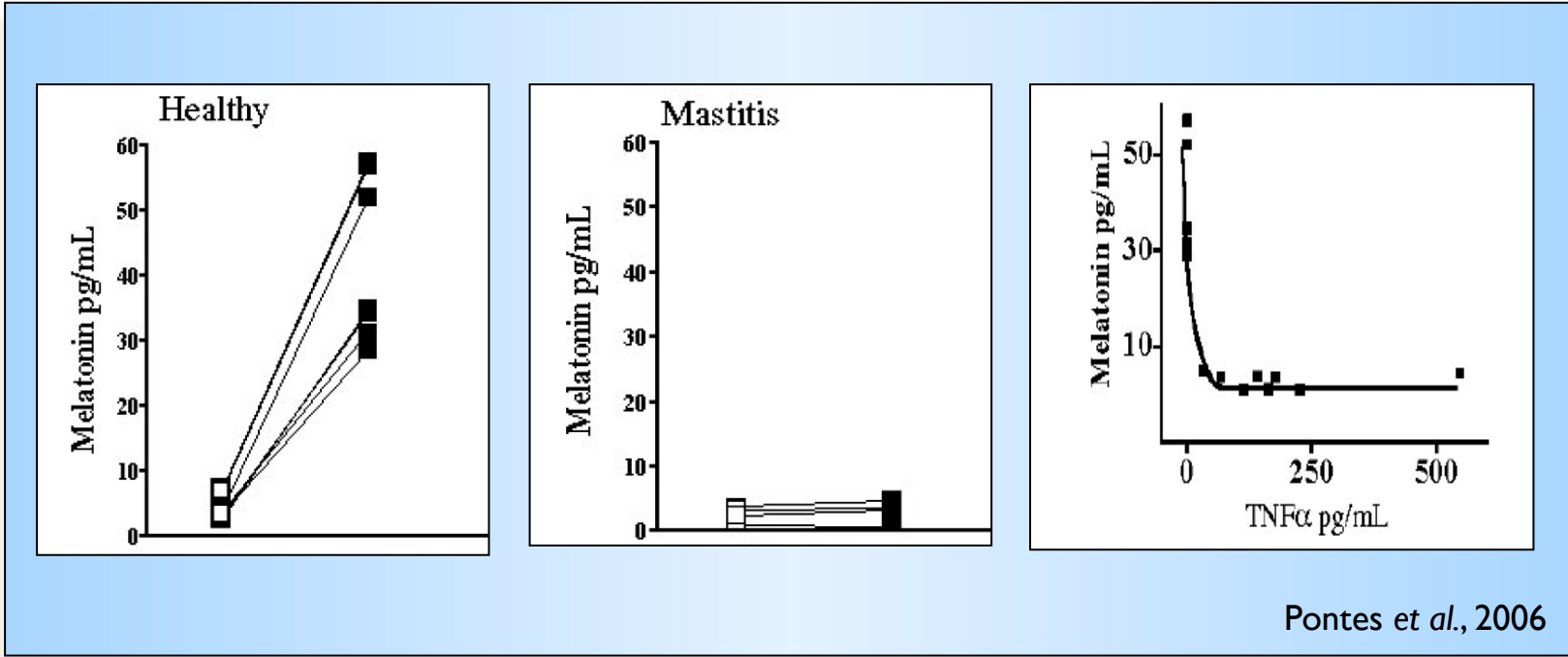






Mastitis → suppresses nocturnal MEL surge

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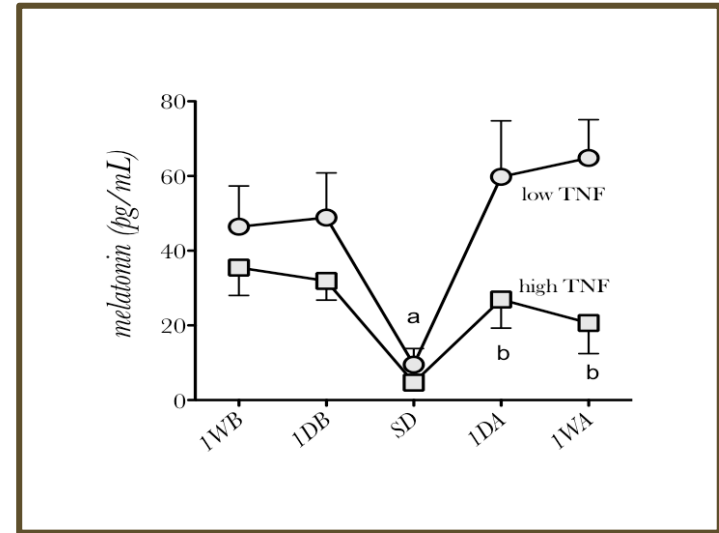
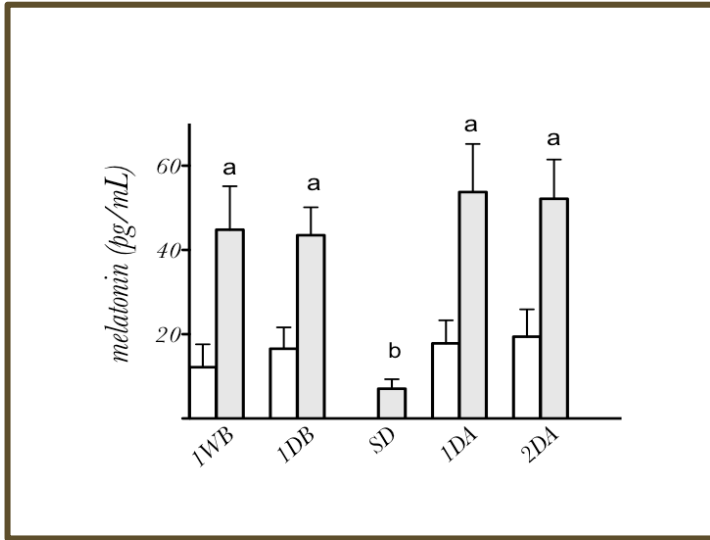
Colostrum (milk of the first days after delivery; contains cells) → day 3

Maternity Unit at the Obstetric Clinics – USP, Br. The criteria for recently delivered mothers were: age (18–40), gestational age (37 weeks or more).

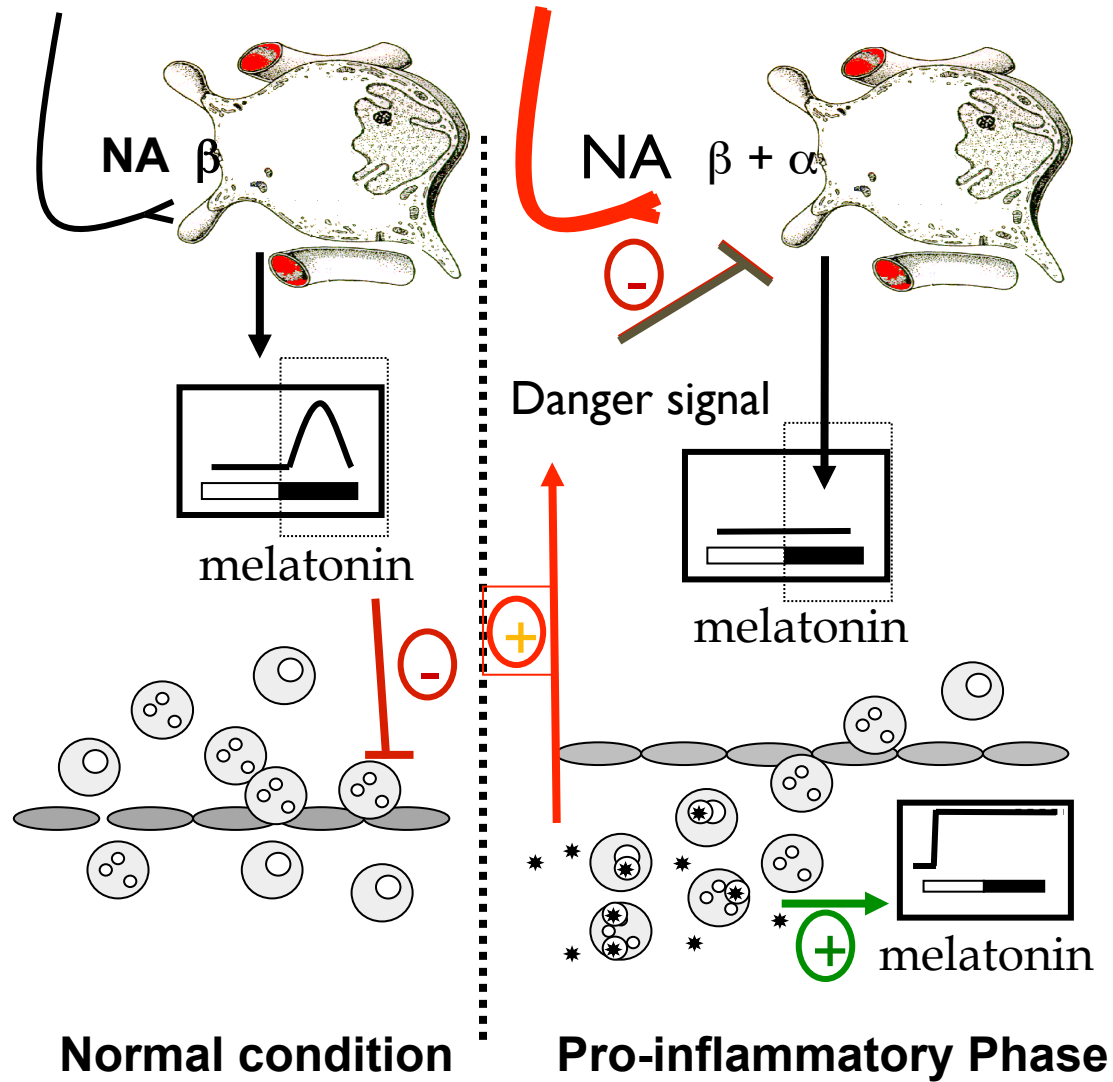
All the mothers had given birth to healthy term babies.-

The Concept of the Immune-Pineal Axis Tested in Patients Undergoing an Abdominal Hysterectomy

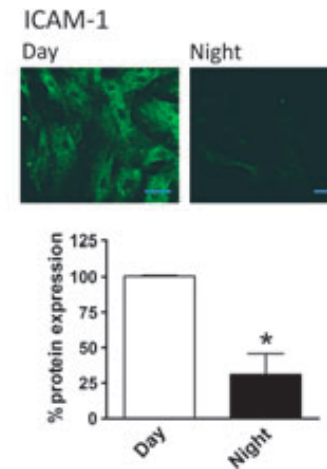
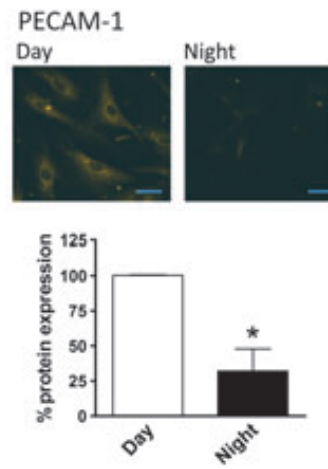
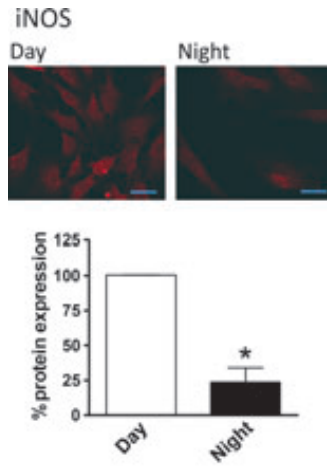
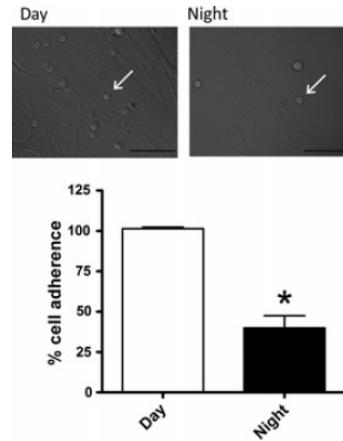
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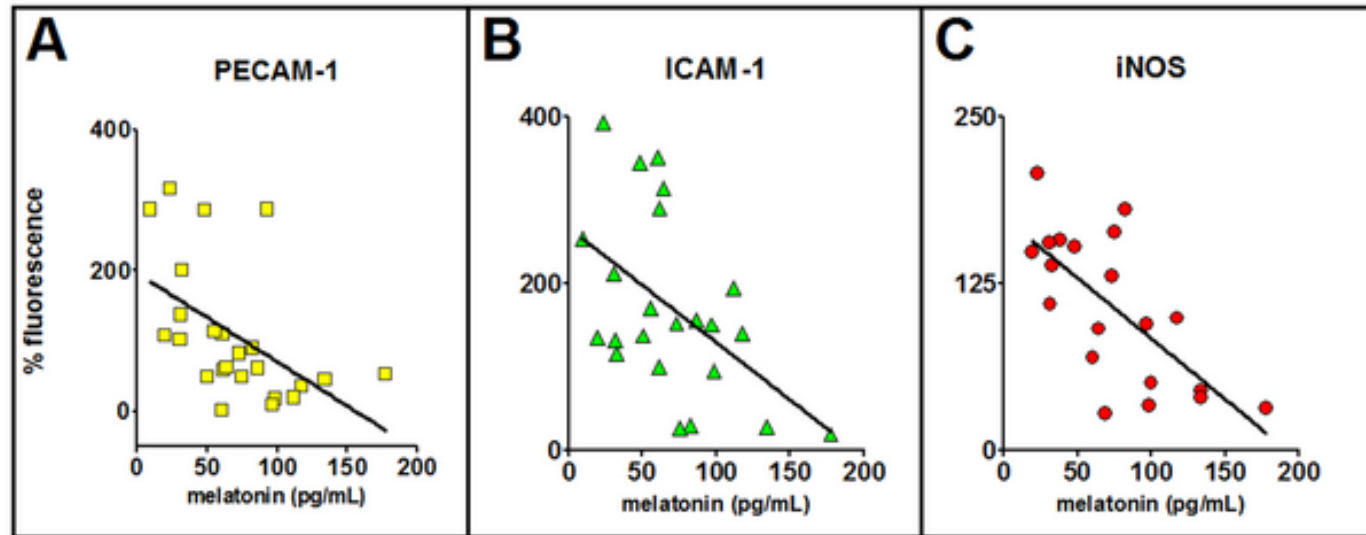
Immune-Pineal Axis



Melatonin PRIMES endothelial cells



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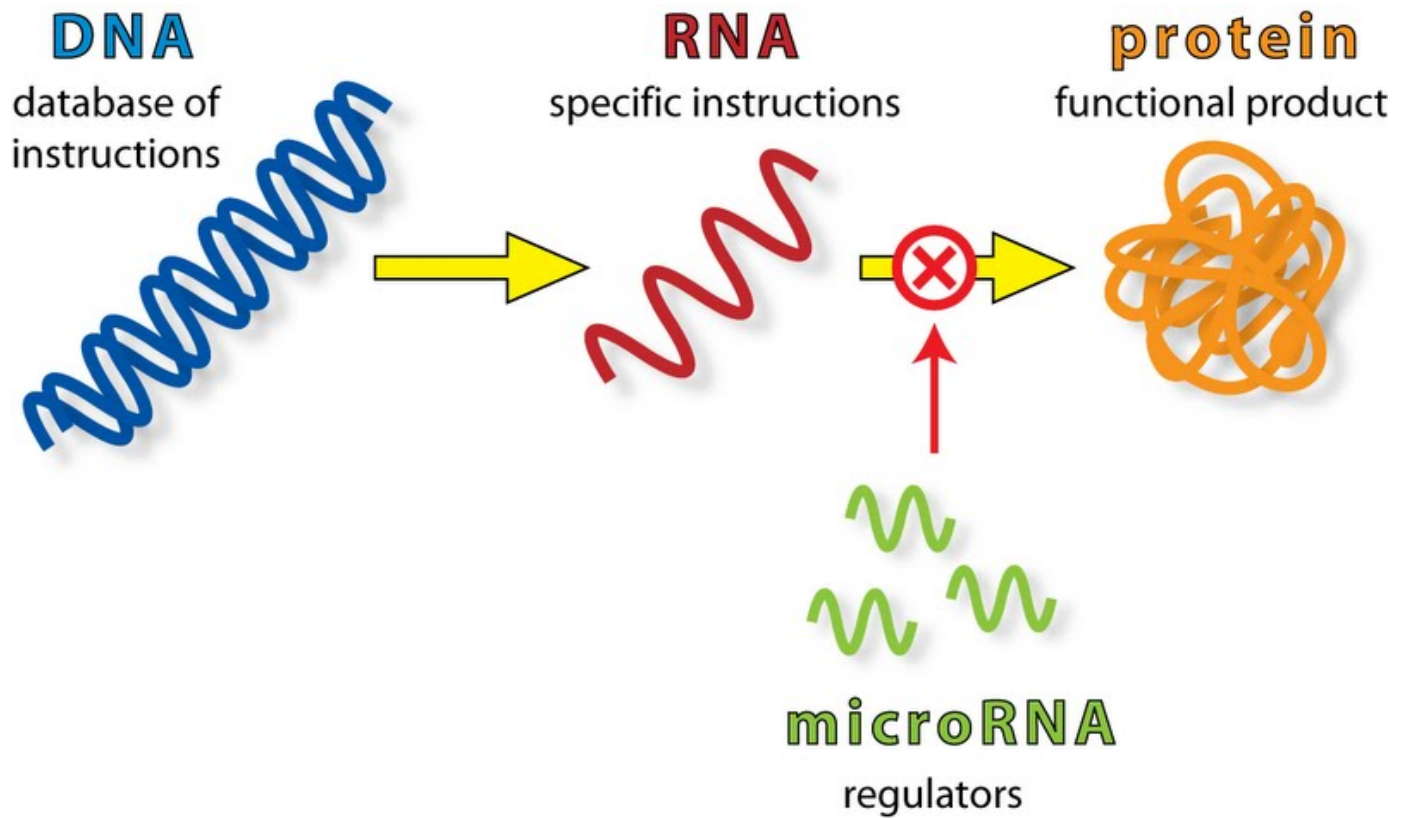
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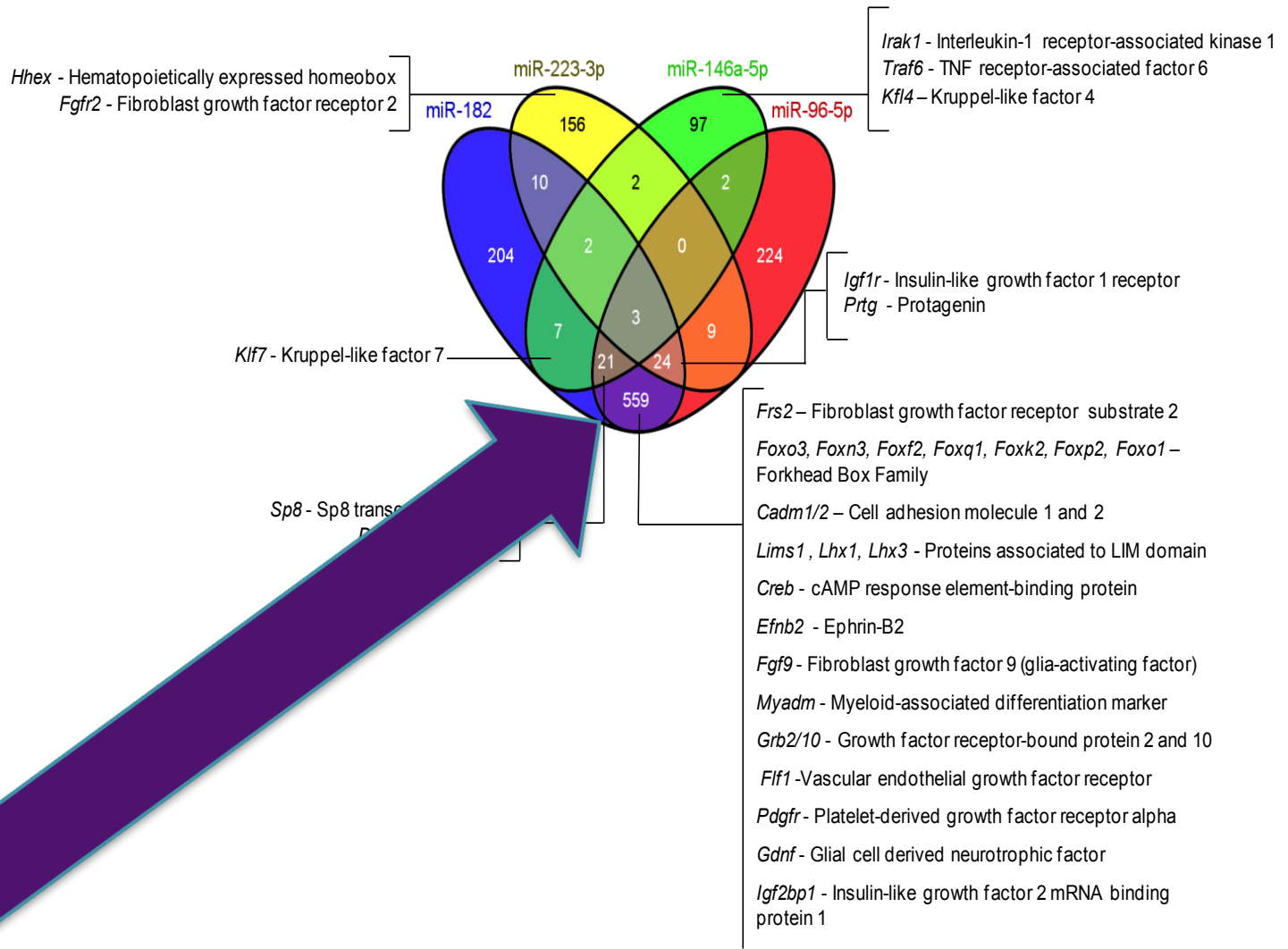
Questions????

How to control in a massive way the genomic output???

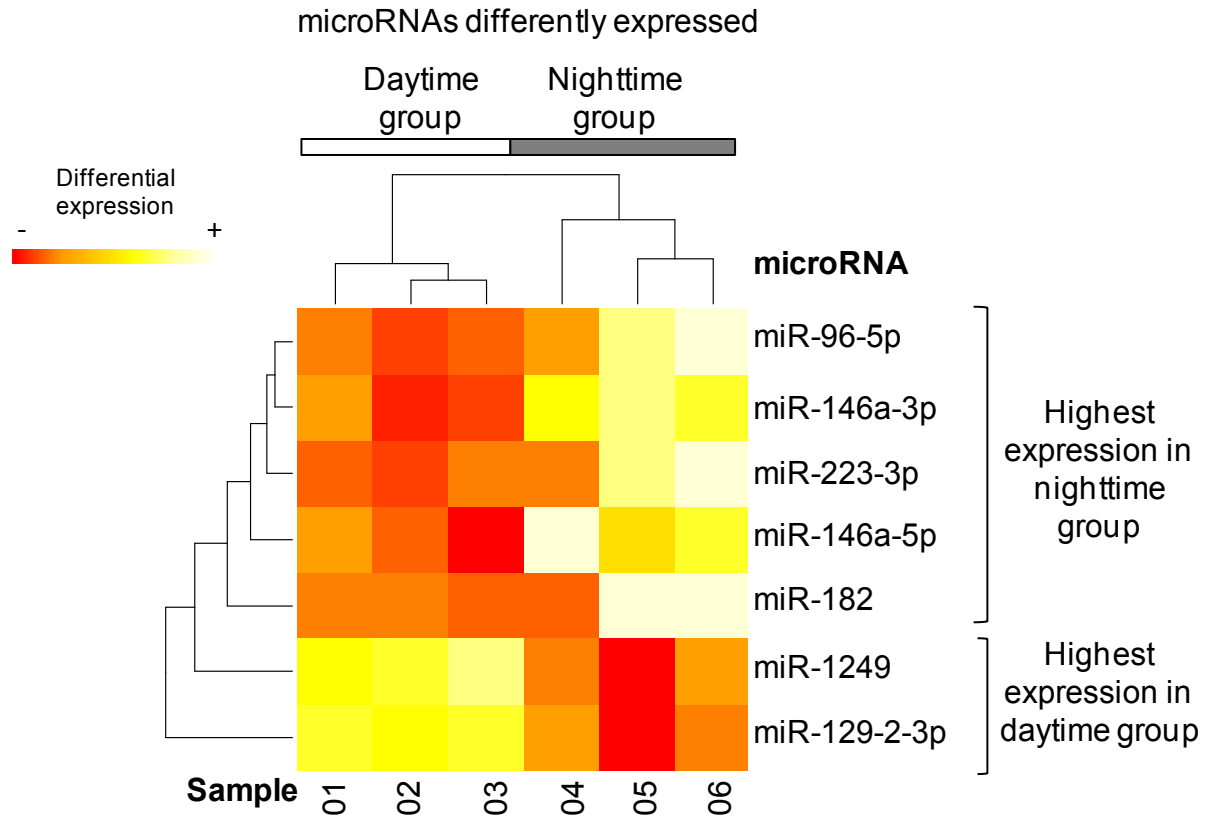
Via “junk” --- “trash” RNAs???



VENN diagram of the predicted targets of miRNAs more expressed in nighttime cells



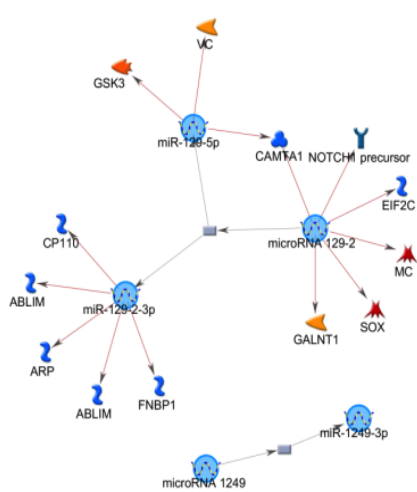
HOUR OF THE DAY - miRNAs endothelial progenitor cells



METACORE® → nighttime

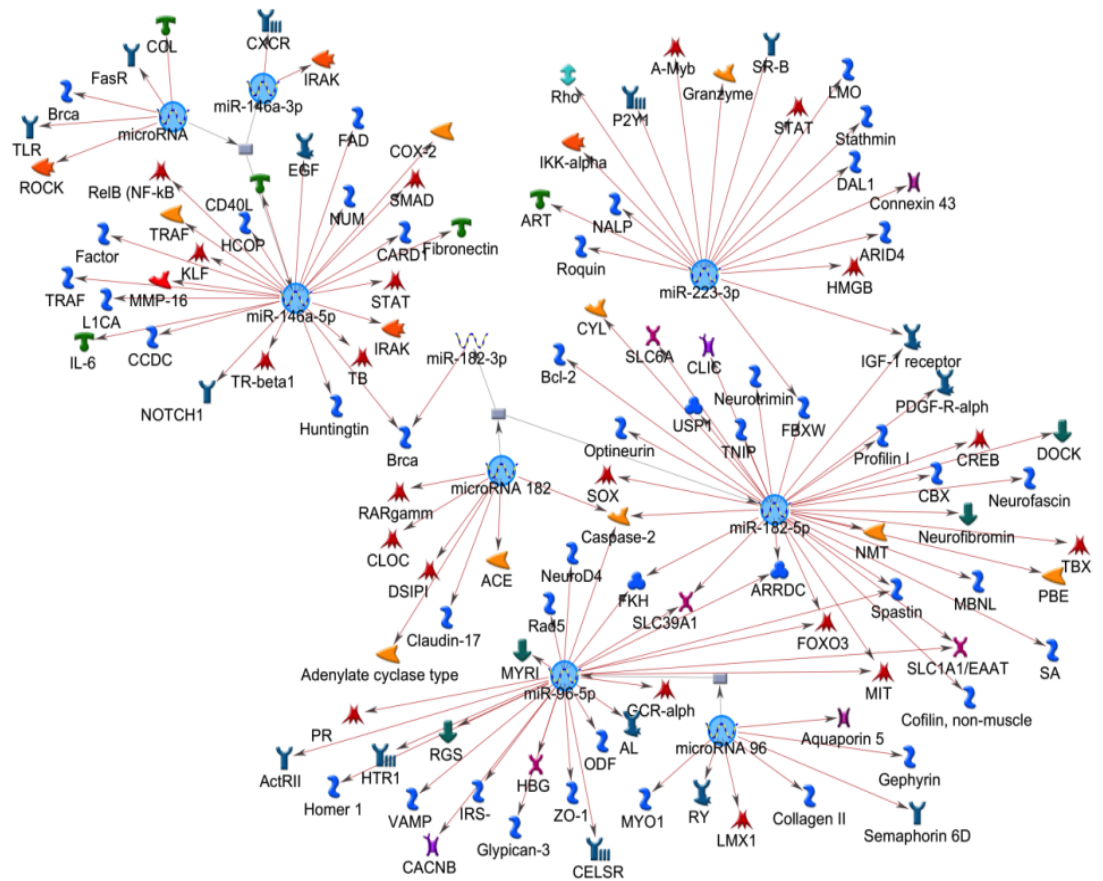
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Network of miRNAs interactions in daytime cells

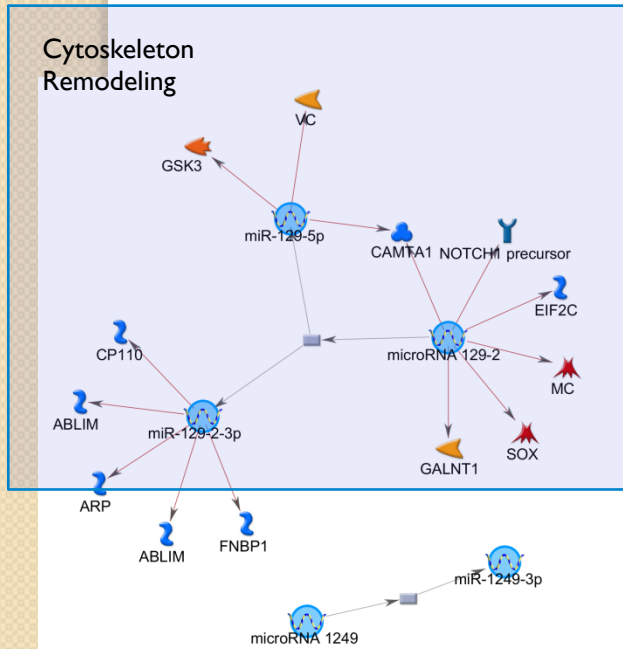


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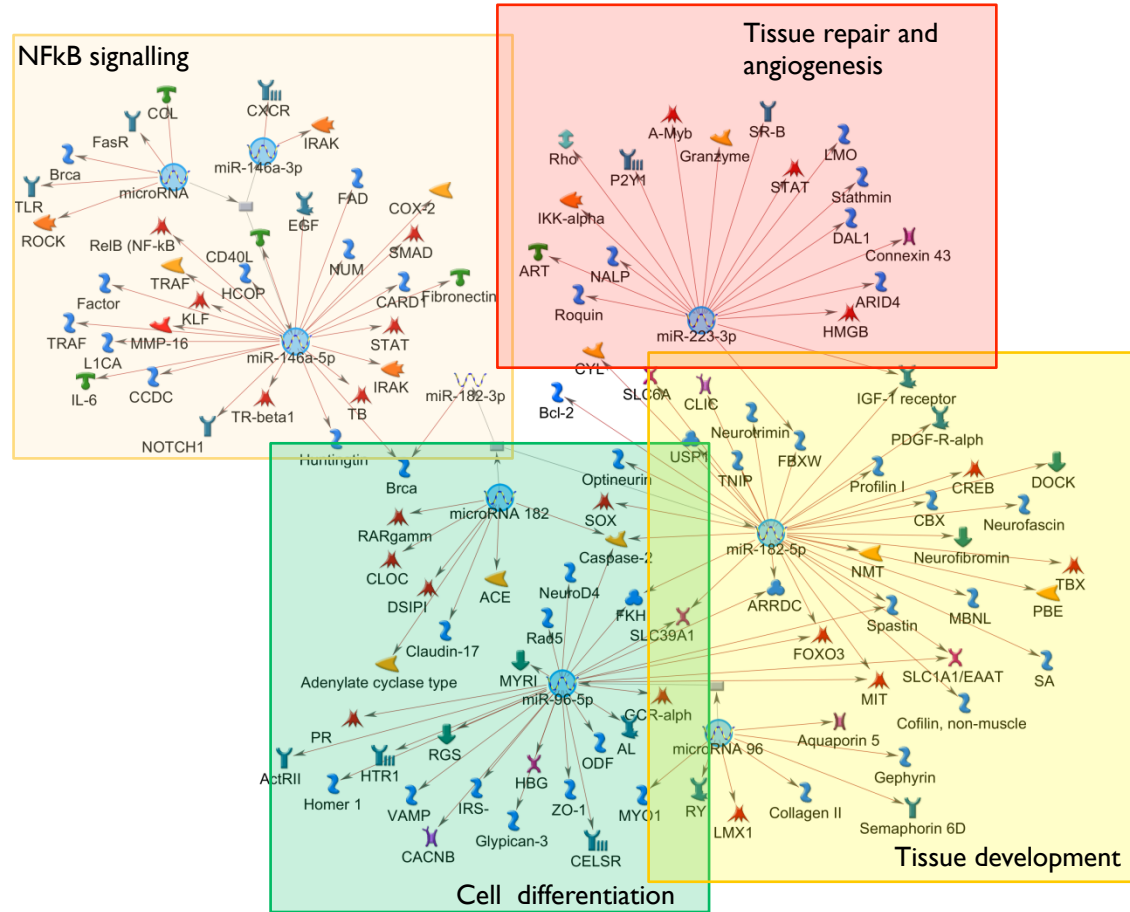
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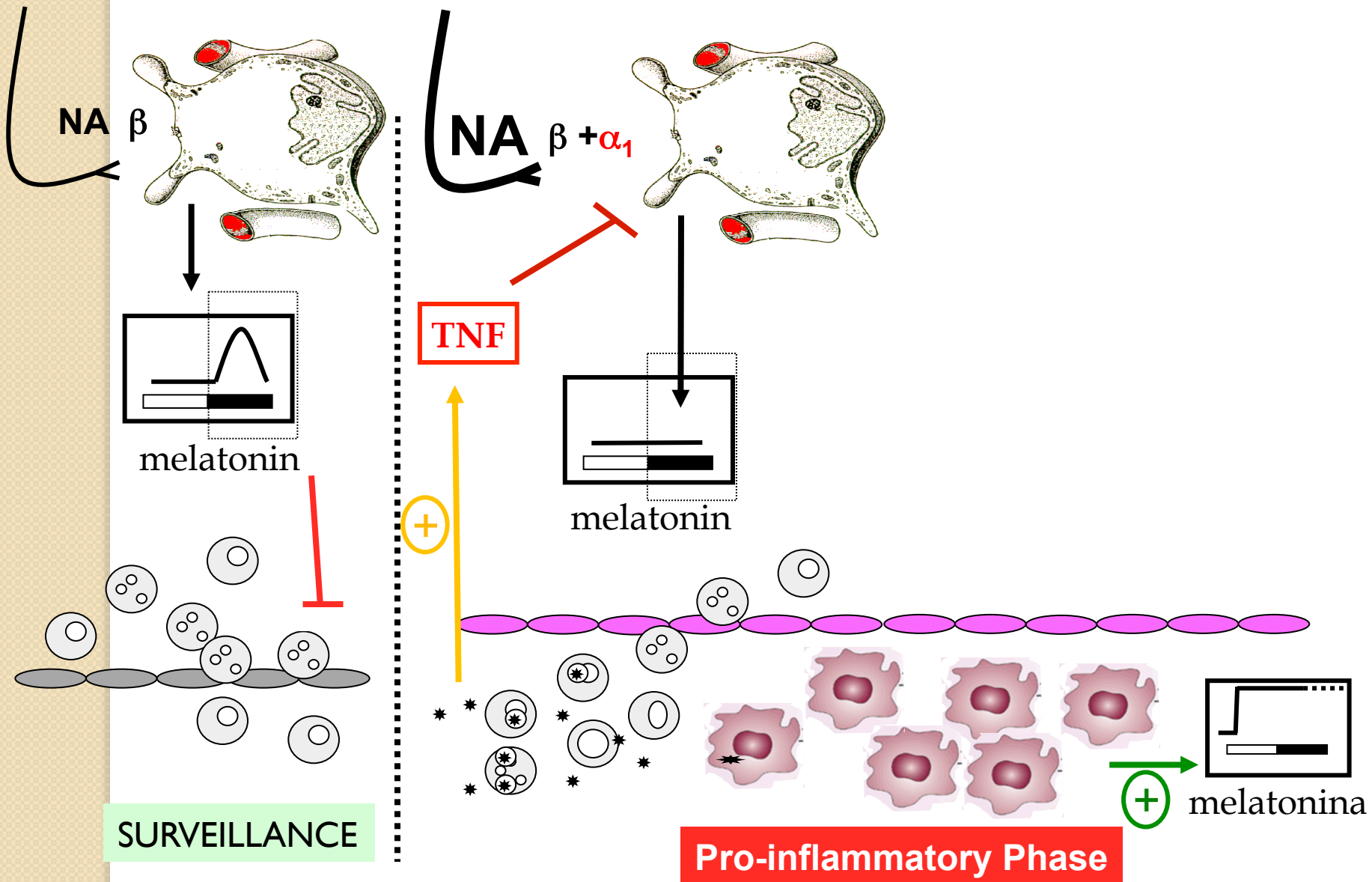
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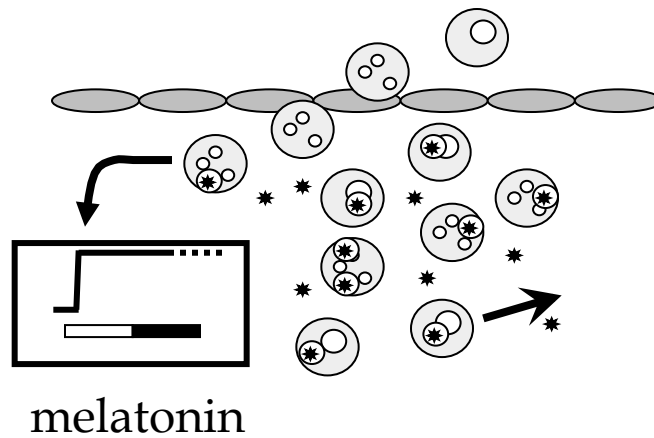
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Immune-Pineal Axis



Activation of the NF- κ B pathway in MN and PMN triggers melatonin synthesis



PMN and MN cells
Paracrine Signal

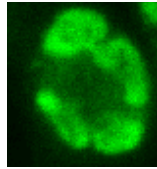
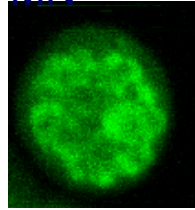
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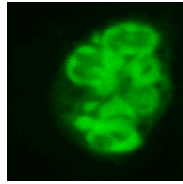
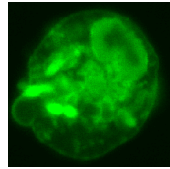
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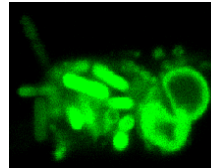
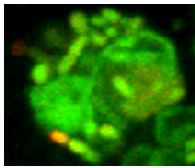
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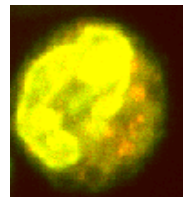
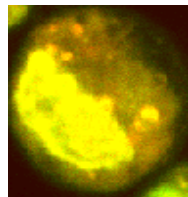
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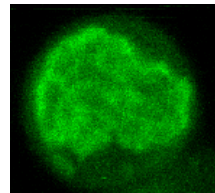
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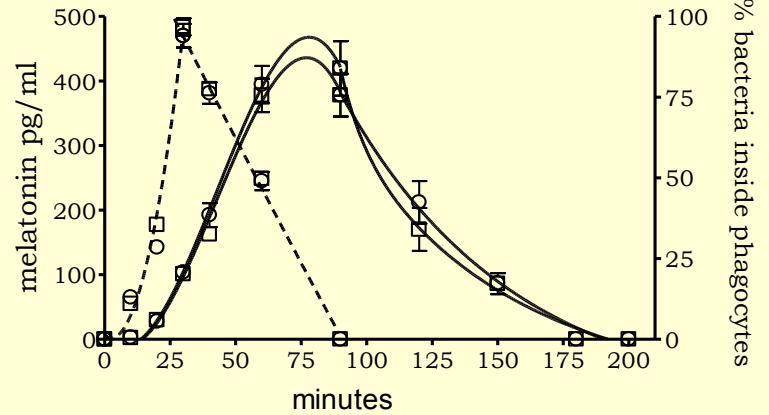
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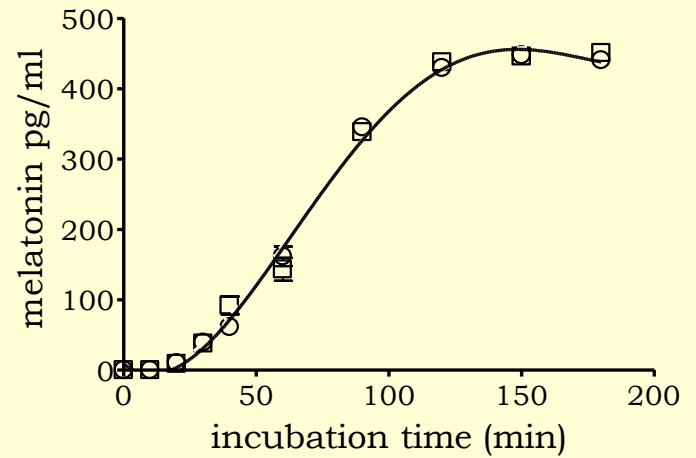
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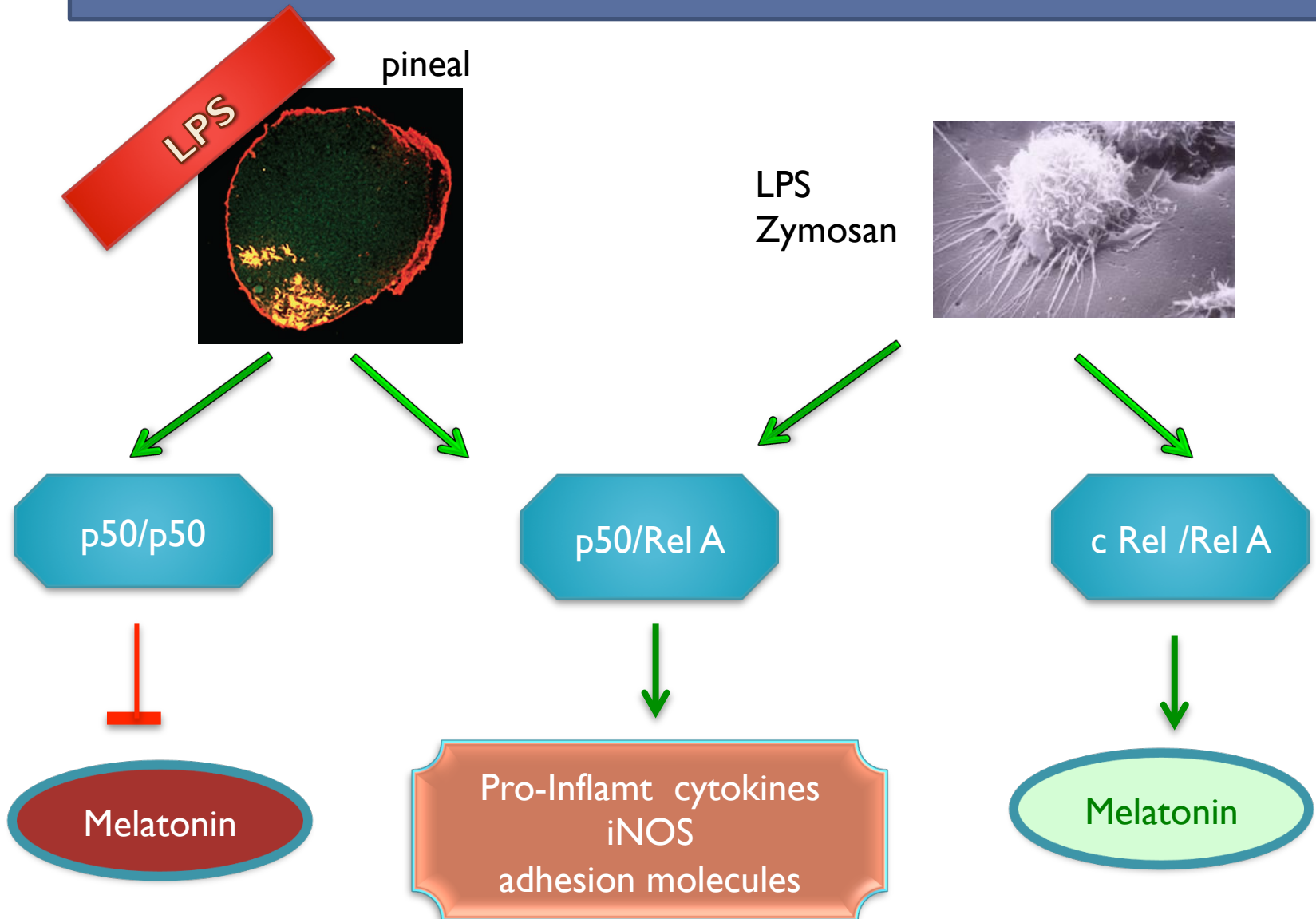


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One transcription factor – two different cell milieu

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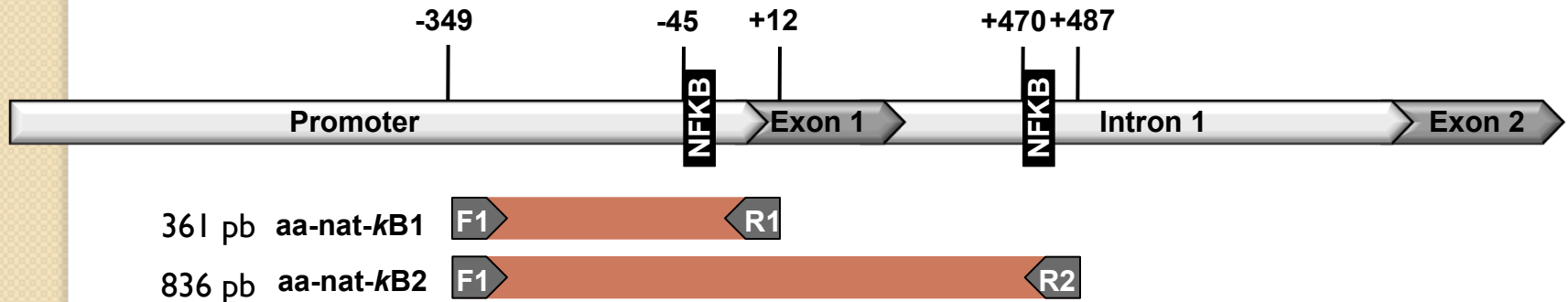


MELATONIN – synthesized by immune-competent cells

- 1988 → PBMcells → Finocchiaro et al.
- 2000 → bone marrow cells → Conti et al.
- 2004 → macrophages → Martins et al.
2004 → lymphocytes → Carrillo-Vico et al.
- 2006 → colostrual MN and PMN → Pontes et al
2009 → splenocytes → Lahiri et al.,
- 2010 → mastocytes → Maldonado et al.,
- 2015 → microglia → Adriessa Santos master thesis



κ B-elements in the promoter of *aa-nat*



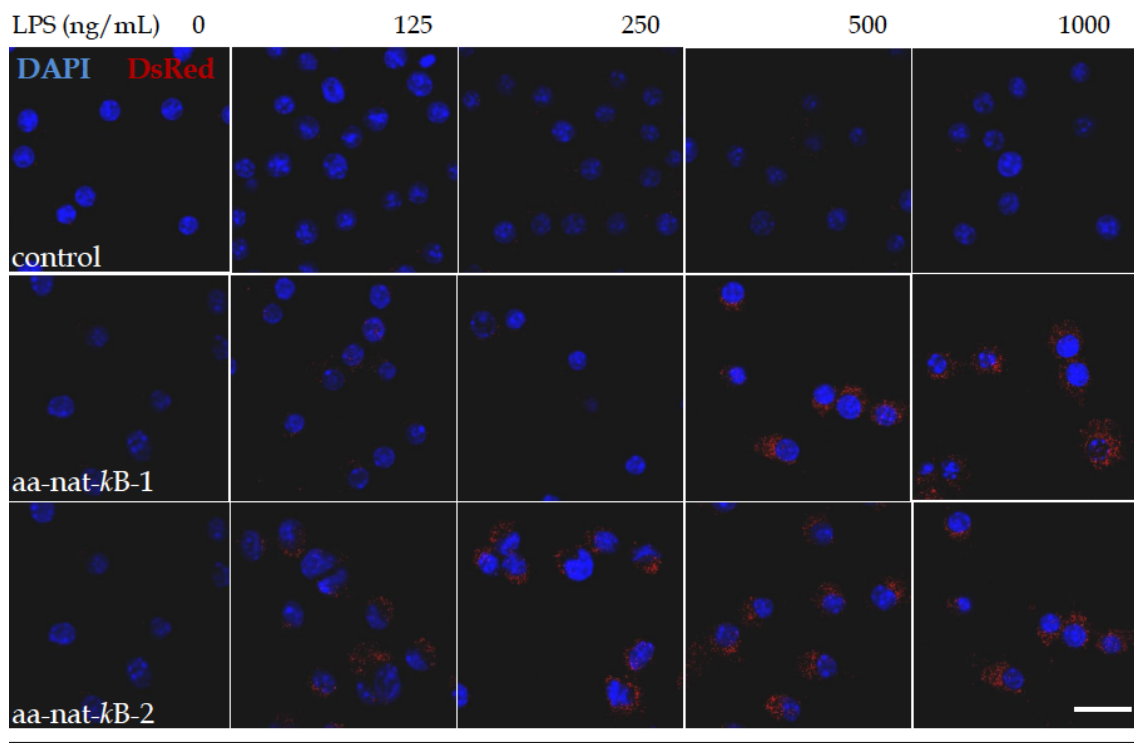
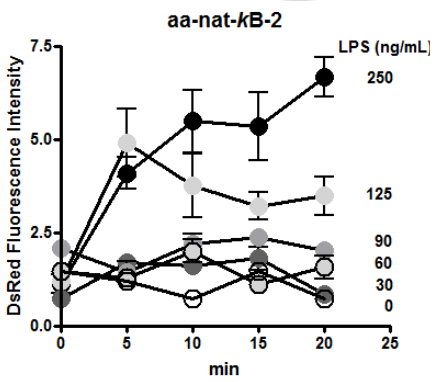
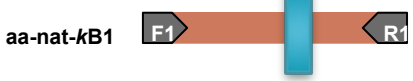
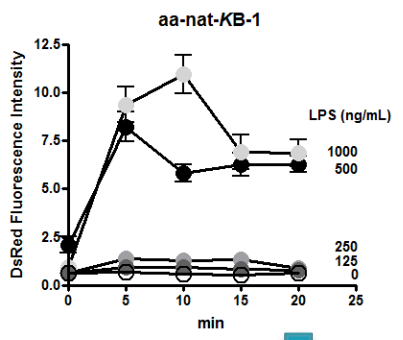
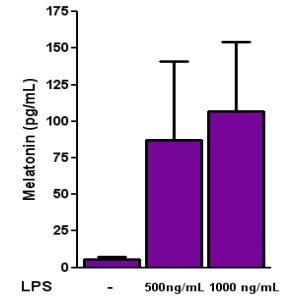
Expression of NF κ B promoter linked to a Red fluorescence reporter in macrophages \rightarrow positive responses induced by LPS and TNF



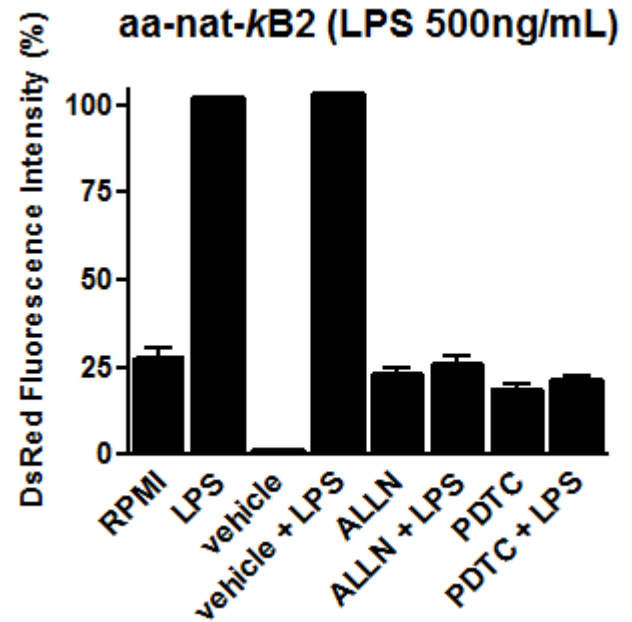
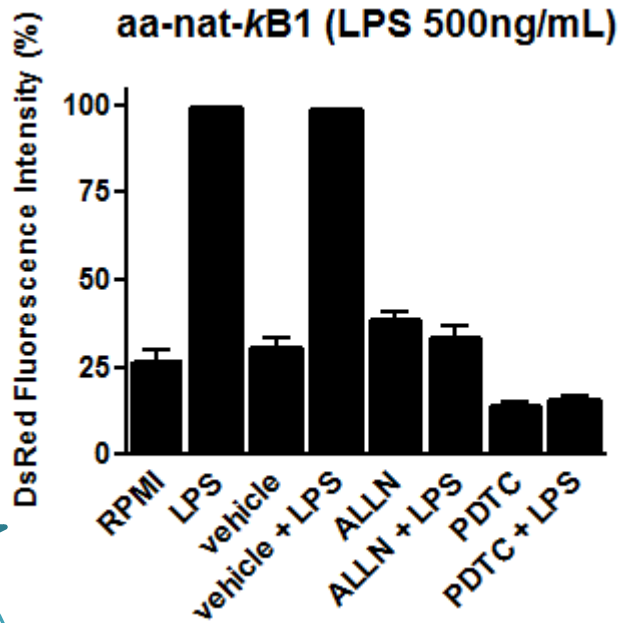
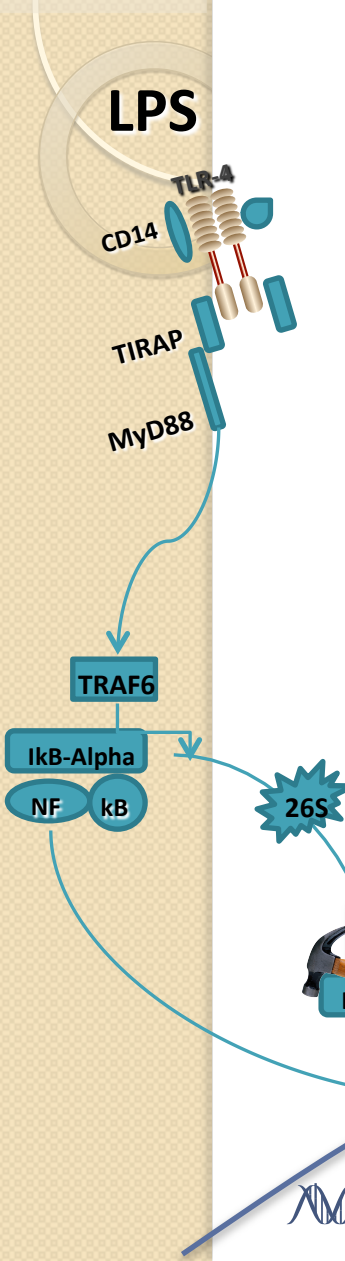
Expression of the reporter

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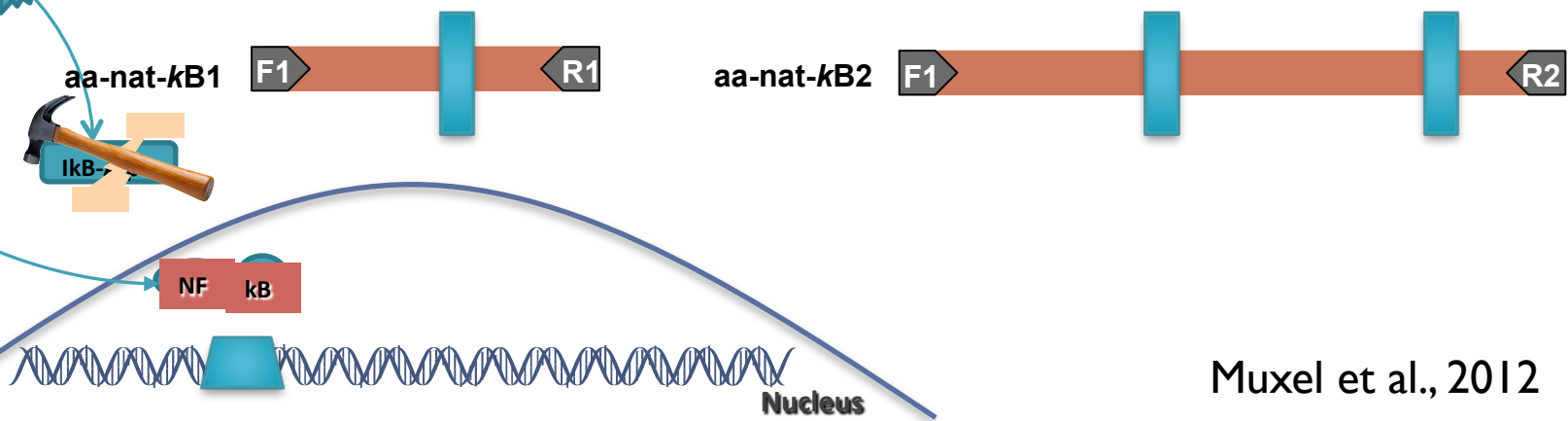
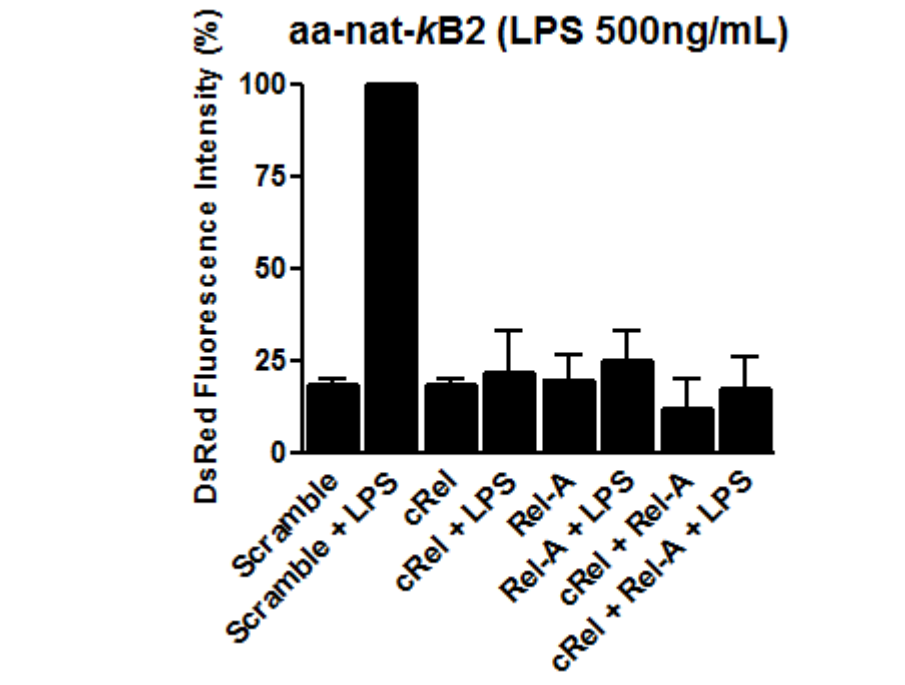
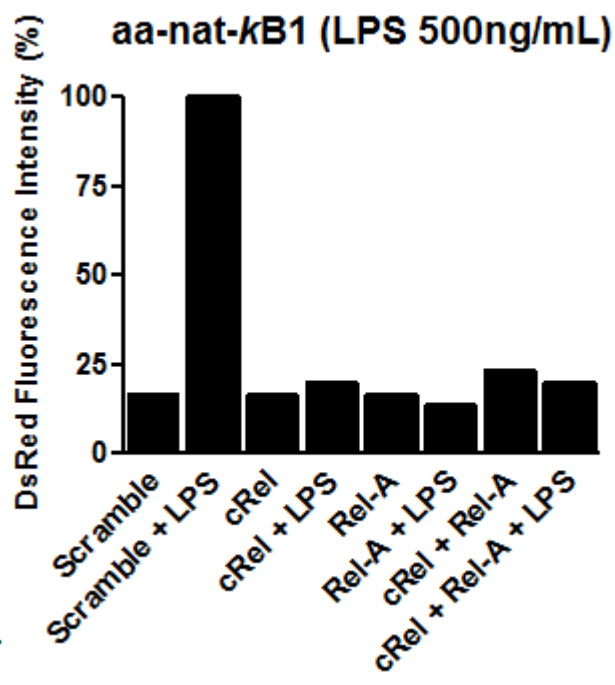
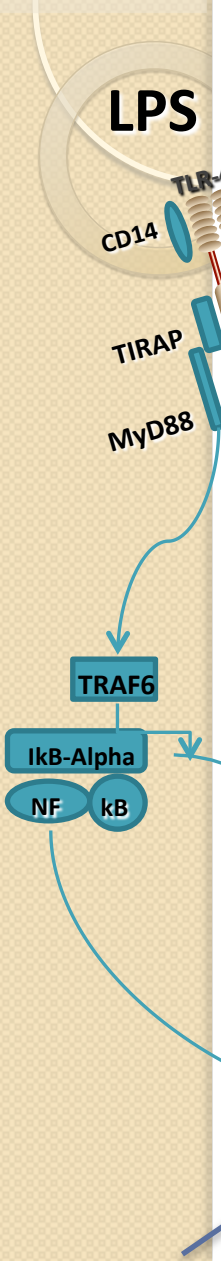


aa-nat-κB element mediates gene transcription

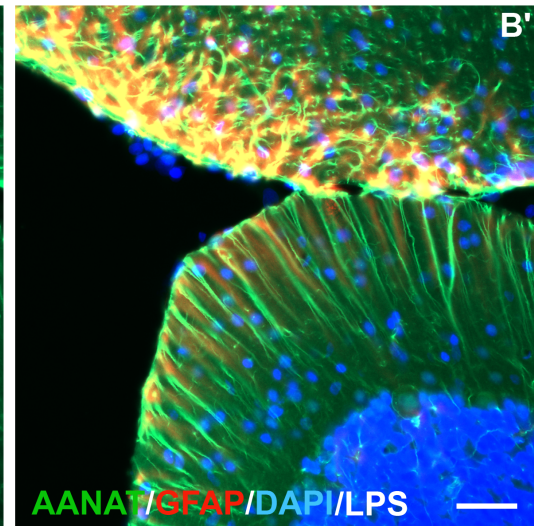
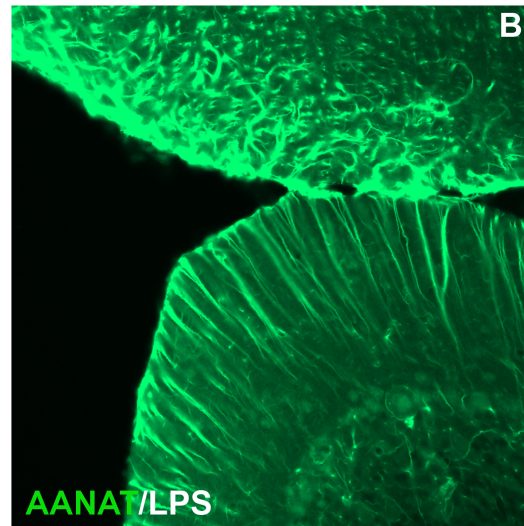
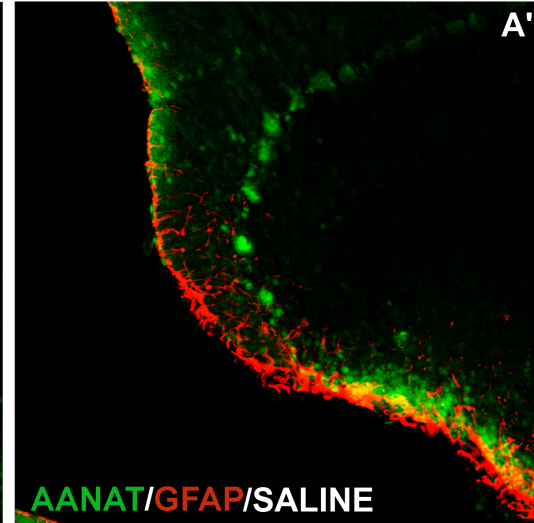
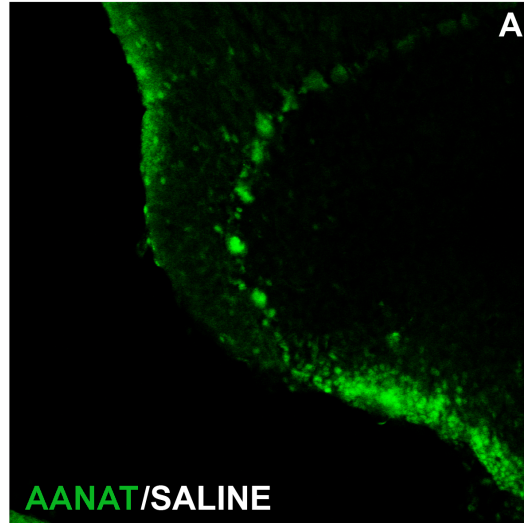
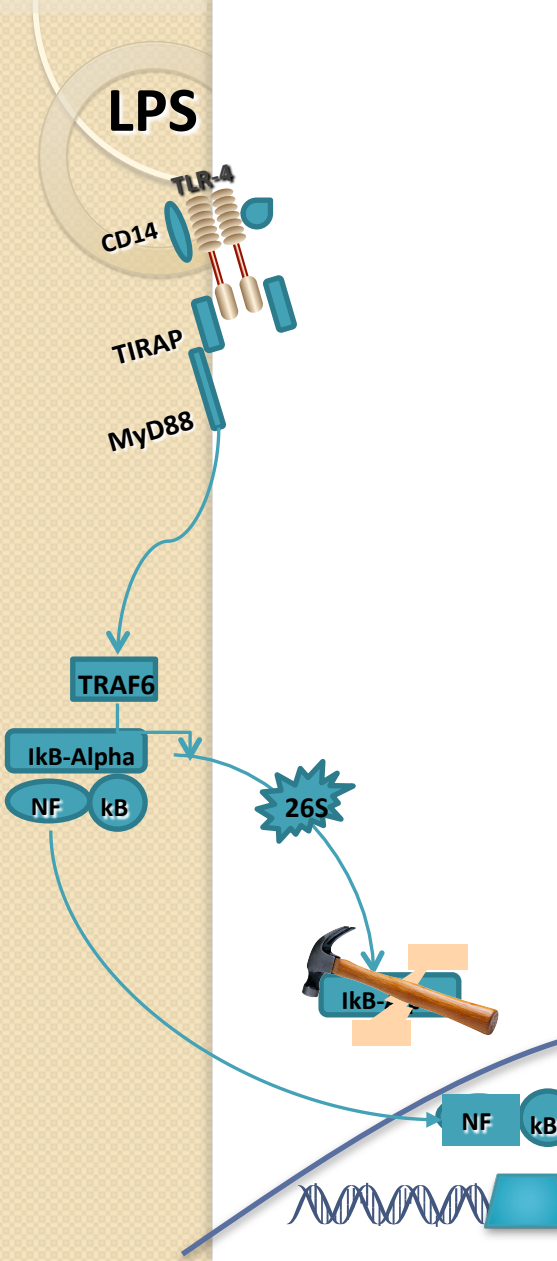


Inhibitors of NFκB blocks LPS-induced gene transcription ALLN – 50 mM; PDTC 25 mM

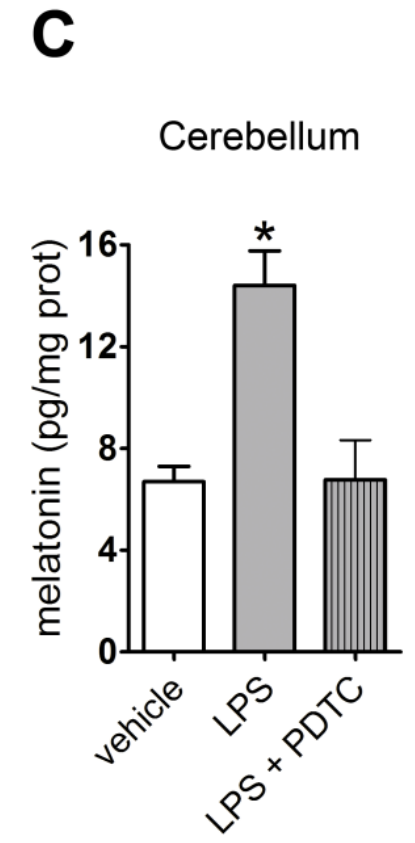
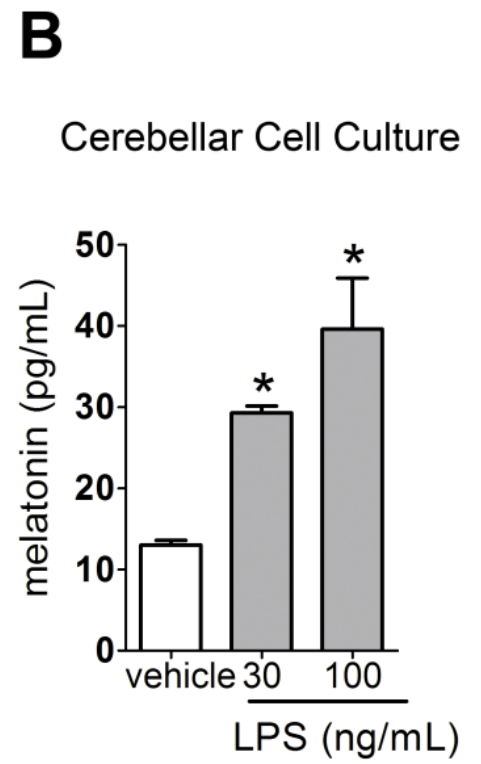
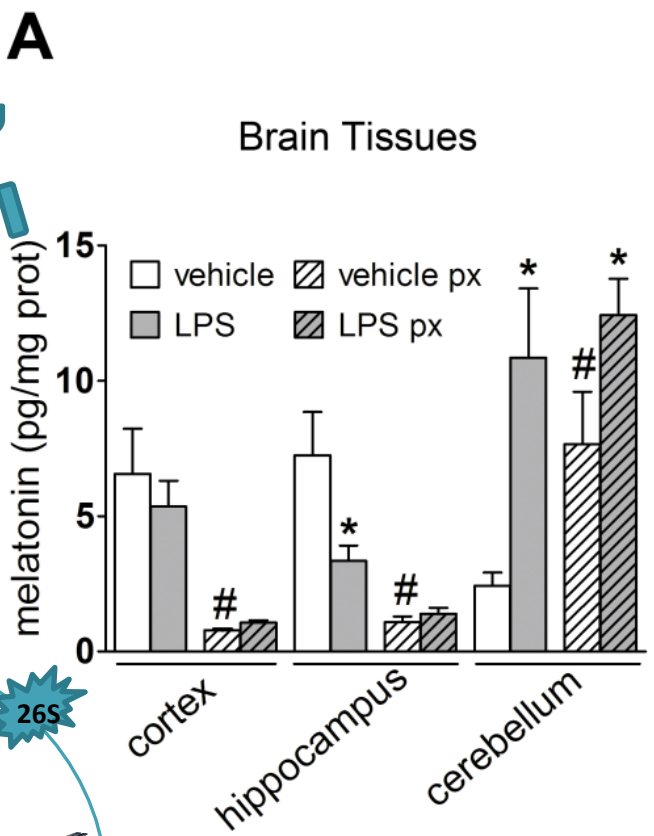
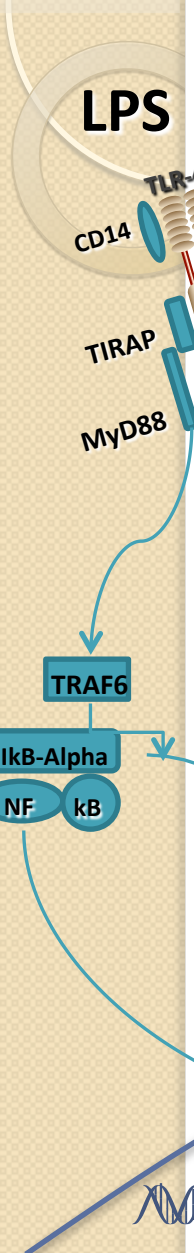
The dimer RelA/cRel activates the aa-nat promoter



And the Brain

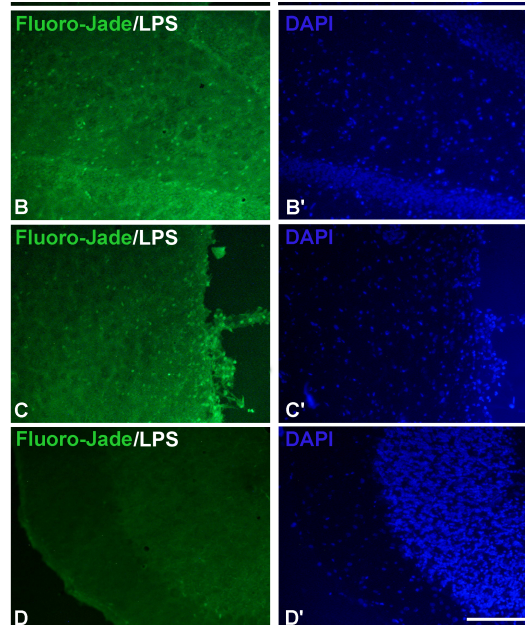


The cerebellum synthesizes melatonin



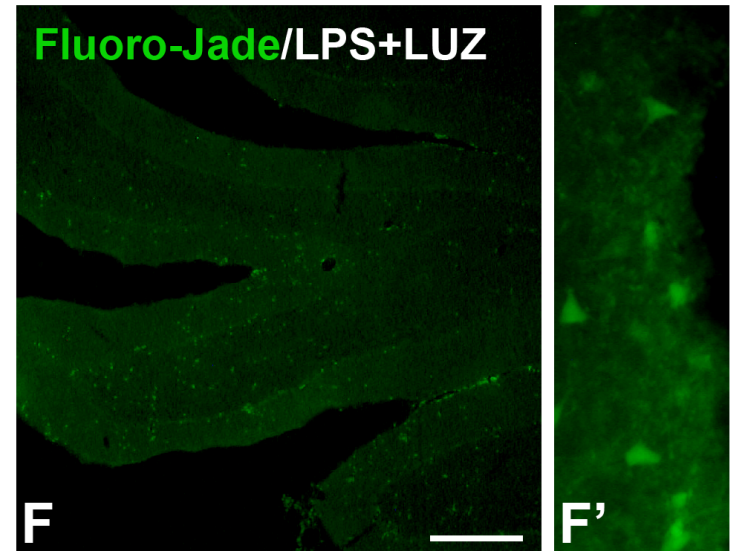
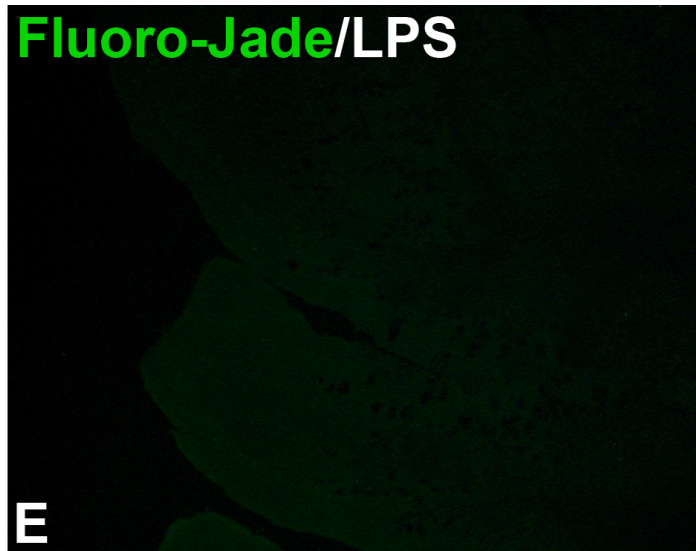
role of cerebellar melatonin

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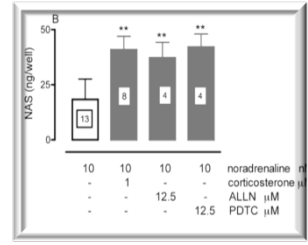
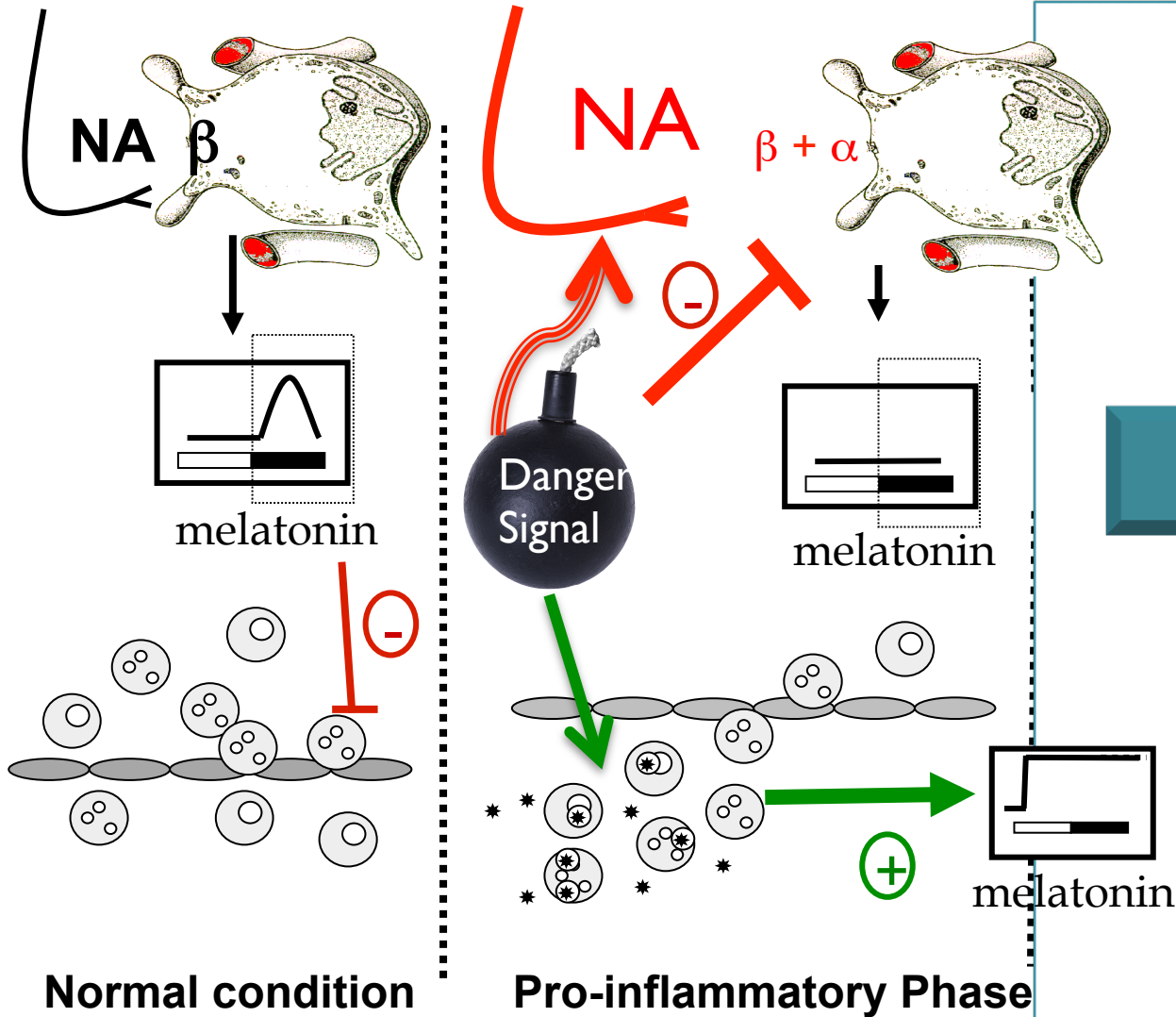


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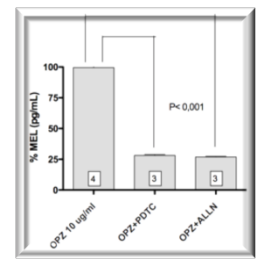


Immune-Pineal Axis



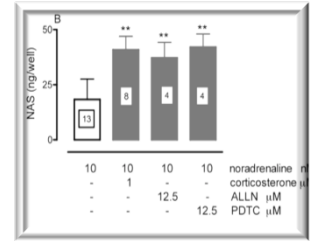
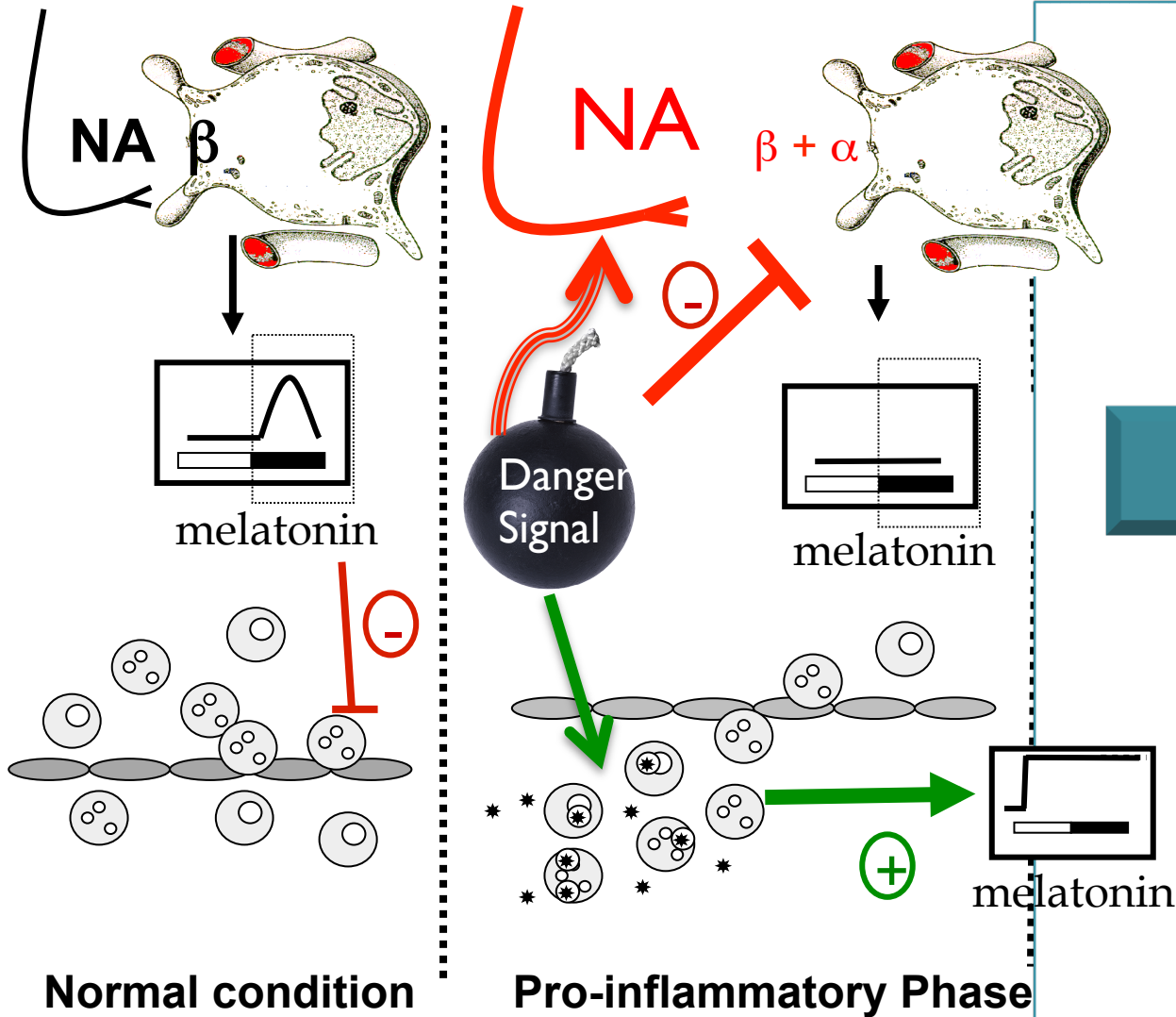
Ferreira et al., 2005

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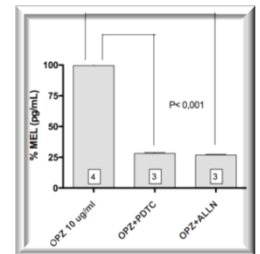


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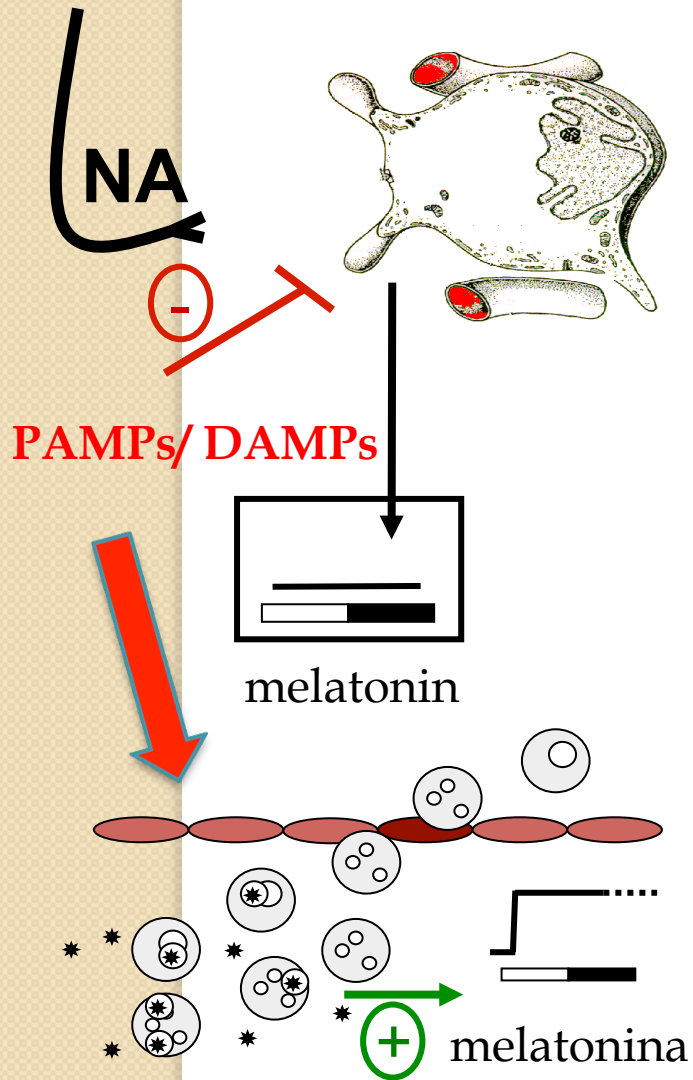


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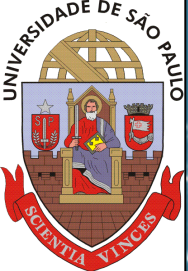


1. PAMPs and DAMPs suppress nocturnal MEL surge
 1. Bacteria
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 3. Air pollution
 4. Peptides, GAGs,
2. Endothelial cells are activated in the absence of MEL
3. Macrophages/ microglia – synthesize melatonin

Pro-inflammatory Phase







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