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Correction: “Mouse mammary tumor virus is implicated in severity of colitis and dysbiosis in the IL-10^{-/-} mouse model of inflammatory bowel disease”

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In the article titled “**Mouse mammary tumor virus is implicated in severity of colitis and dysbiosis in the IL-10^{-/-} mouse model of inflammatory bowel disease**” [1], the results section subheading “**Characterization of MMTV infection in IL-10^{-/-} mice**”; paragraph 4 incorrectly assigned the T-cell receptor gene and protein names. The original paragraph is as follows:

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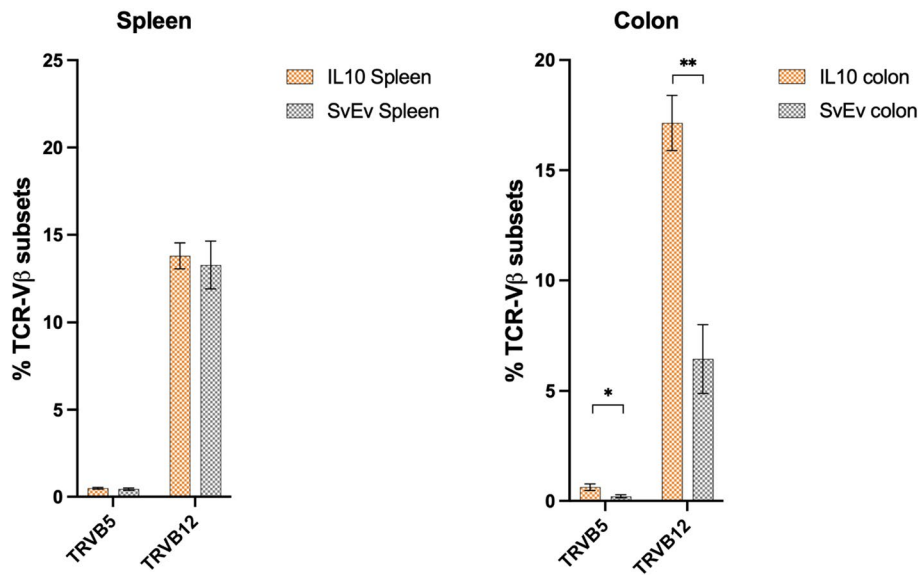
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“Active MMTV infection in mice can be demonstrated by evaluating superantigen activity and observing differences in the cognate TCR-V β subsets that react with the specific vSAG [14]. The IL-10^{-/-} model has a mixed genetic background of several mouse strains including the C57BL/6 and sub strains of 129, each with different and partially characterized endogenous *mtv* loci [30]. For example, the C57BL mouse has three full length endogenous genomes, *mtv-8*, *mtv-9* and *mtv-17*, and sub strains of 129 mice contain combinations of *mtv-1*, *mtv-3*, *mtv-8*, *mtv-9*, *mtv-11*, *mtv-13*, and *mtv-17* [14–16]. Eleven of 12 clones were derived from *mtv-9 sag* encoding the vSAG9 (**Figure 2A**) that preferentially binds and expands TCR-V β 5, TCR-V β 11, and TCR-V β 12 lymphocytes [14]. We then evaluated the TCR-V β subset distribution in the spleen and colon (**Supplemental Fig. 2**) and found that TCR-V β 5 and TCR-V β 12 were expressed in sufficient quantity for analysis, but TCR-V β 11 constituted less than 0.5% of the population. Significant differences were observed in the colon that were not observed in the spleen (**Supplemental Fig. 2**). Consistent with vSAG9-induced activity, the percentage of TCR-V β 12 was significantly increased (17.14 vs. 6.45, $q=0.012$), and a trend was observed for increased TCR-V β 5 (IL-10^{-/-} vs. SvEv, 0.63% vs. 0.21%, $q=0.067$) in the IL-10^{-/-} versus the SvEv WT colon (**Fig. 2B**).”



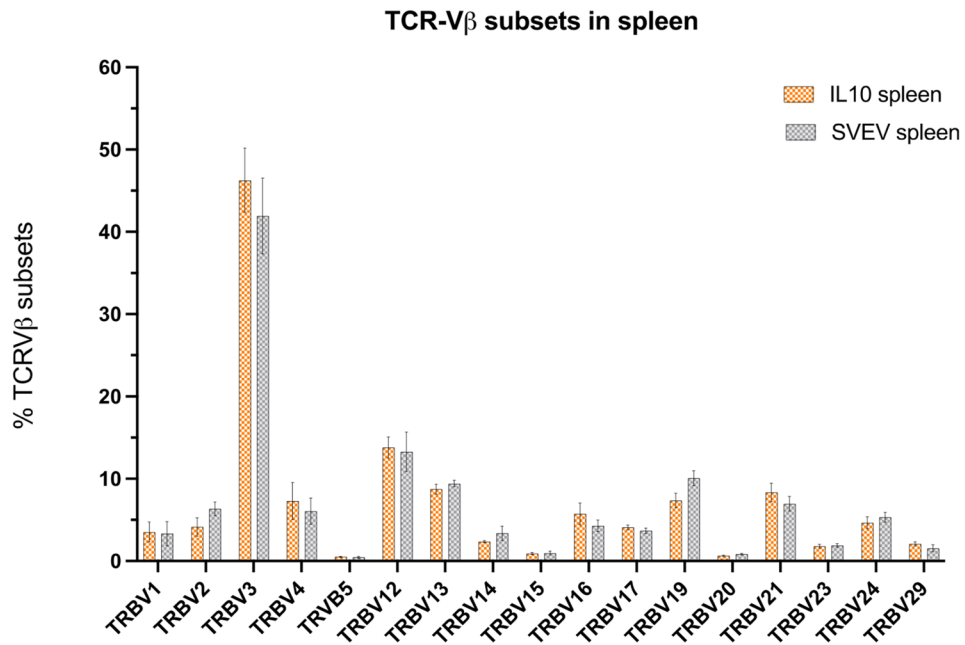
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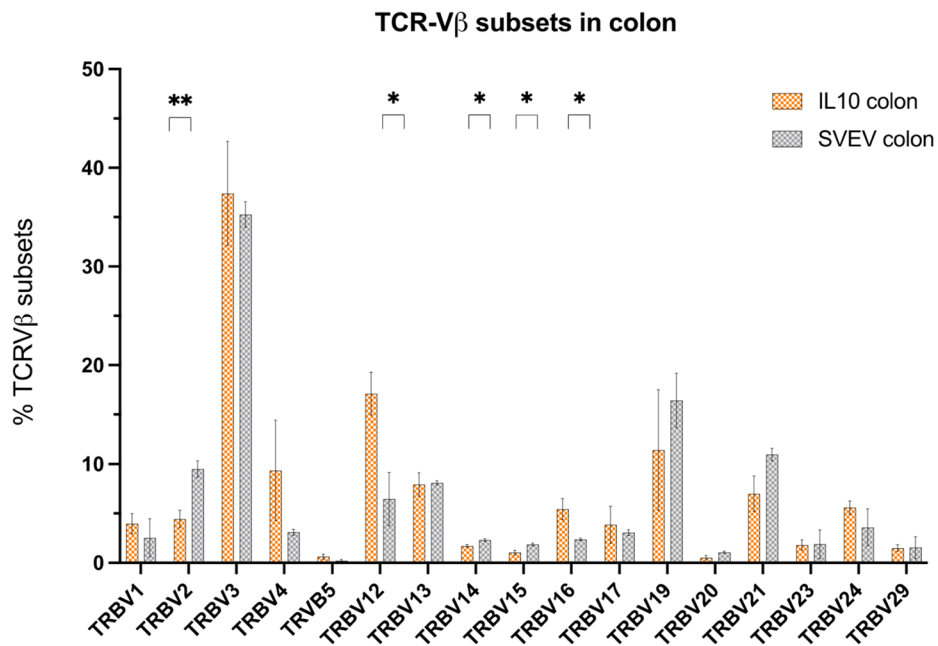
Legend Figure 2B: TCR-Vβ5 and TCR-Vβ12 subset distribution of read count assessed by Illumina sequencing in spleen and colon showed no significant differences between IL-10^{-/-} vs. SvEv in the spleen, whereas IL-10^{-/-} colon had more than twofold % increase in TCR-Vβ5 and TCR-Vβ12 (mean ± SEM, **p=0.006, multiple unpaired t-test, Benjamini, Kreiger, and Yekutieli two-stage setup)

Supplementary Figure 2

A)



B)



Supplementary Figure 2 legend

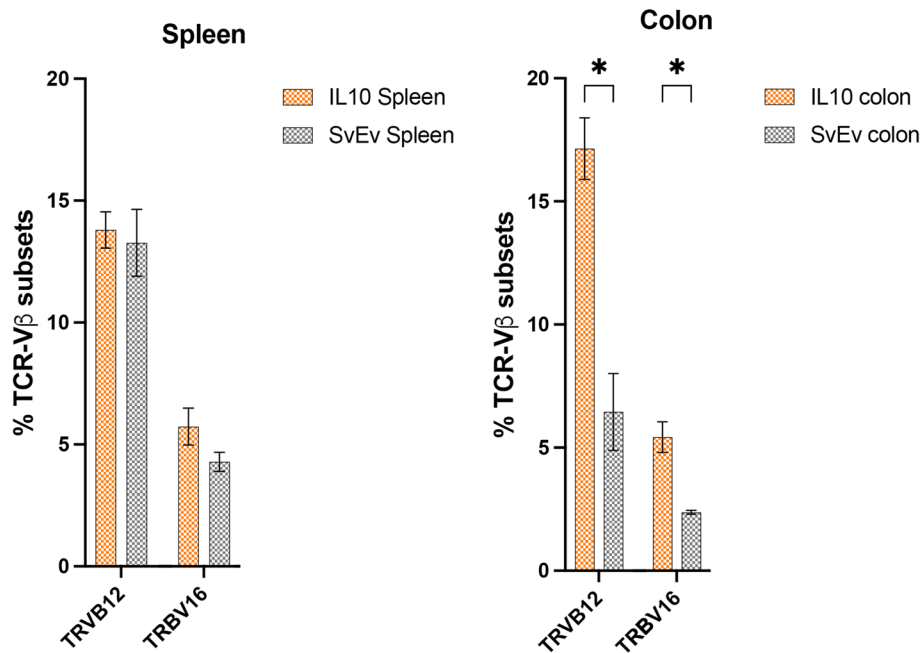
T cell receptor (TCR)-Vβ subset distribution in spleen and colon of IL-10^{-/-} vs. SvEv mice assessed by Illumina sequencing. (A) No significant differences were observed between IL-10^{-/-} vs SvEv in the spleen. (B) the IL-10^{-/-} colon had increased TCR-Vβ12

and TCR-Vβ16 subsets with diminished TCR-Vβ2, TCR-Vβ14 and TCR-Vβ15 expression. [Mean ± SEM, TCR-Vβ subsets with percent less < 0.5% removed from the analyses. * *p* < 0.01, ** *p* = 0.002, Multiple unpaired t-test, Benjamini, Kreiger, and Yekutieli two stage set up, q value < 0.1].

The correct nomenclature is incorporated into the new paragraph and shown in the revised figure Fig. 2B:

“Active MMTV infection in mice can be demonstrated by evaluating superantigen activity and observing differences in the cognate TCR-V β subsets that react with the specific vSAG [14]. The IL-10^{-/-} model has a mixed genetic background of several mouse strains including the C57BL/6 and sub strains of 129, each with different and partially characterized endogenous *mtv* loci [30]. For example, the C57BL mouse has three full length endogenous genomes, *mtv-8*, *mtv-9* and *mtv-17*, and sub strains of 129 mice contain combinations of *mtv-1*, *mtv-3*, *mtv-8*, *mtv-9*, *mtv-11*, *mtv-13*, and *mtv-17* [14-16]. Eleven of 12 clones were derived

from *mtv-9 sag* encoding the vSAG9 (Figure 2A) that preferentially binds and predominantly expands lymphocytes subsets expressing TCR-V β 5 and TCR-V β 11 [14]. We then evaluated the *TRVB* gene distribution in the SvEv WT and IL-10^{-/-} mice in the spleen and colon. We found that the corresponding *TRVB* genes were differentially expressed in sufficient quantity for analysis with significant differences in the colon that were not observed in the spleen (Supplemental Fig. 2). Consistent with vSAG9-induced superantigen stimulation, the percentage of *TRVB12* encoding TCR-V β 5 (17.14 vs. 6.45, $p < 0.01$) and *TRVB16* encoding TCR-V β 11 (5.43 vs. 2.37, $p < 0.01$) were significantly increased in the colon of IL-10^{-/-} vs. SvEv mice.”



Revised Figure 2B: Distribution of *TRVB12* and *TRVB16* gene read counts assessed by Illumina sequencing in spleen and colon. No significant differences were observed in TRBV gene expression between IL-10^{-/-} vs. SvEv in the spleen, whereas in the colon, the IL-10^{-/-} mice demonstrated more than twofold % increase in *TRVB12* and *TRVB16* genes encoding TCR-V β 5 and TCR-V β 11, respectively (* $p < 0.01$, multiple unpaired t-test, Benjamini, Kreiger, and Yekutieli two-stage setup)

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