

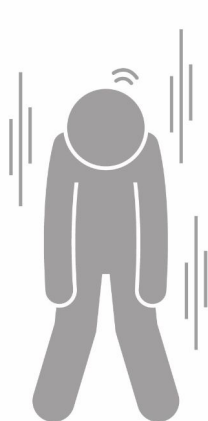
Bioengineering IV

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**Catalyzing Therapeutic Breakthroughs:
Engineering Targeted Extracellular Vesicles for
Liver Fibrosis Treatment**



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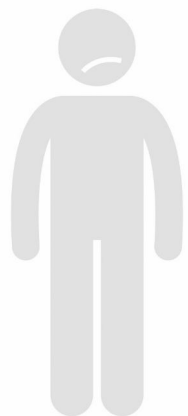
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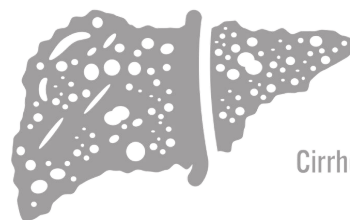
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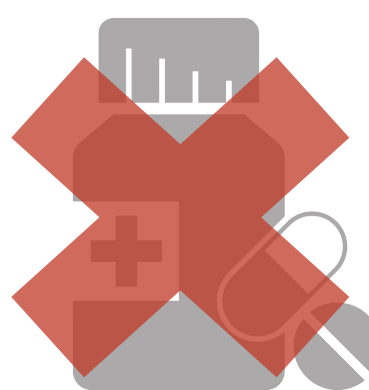
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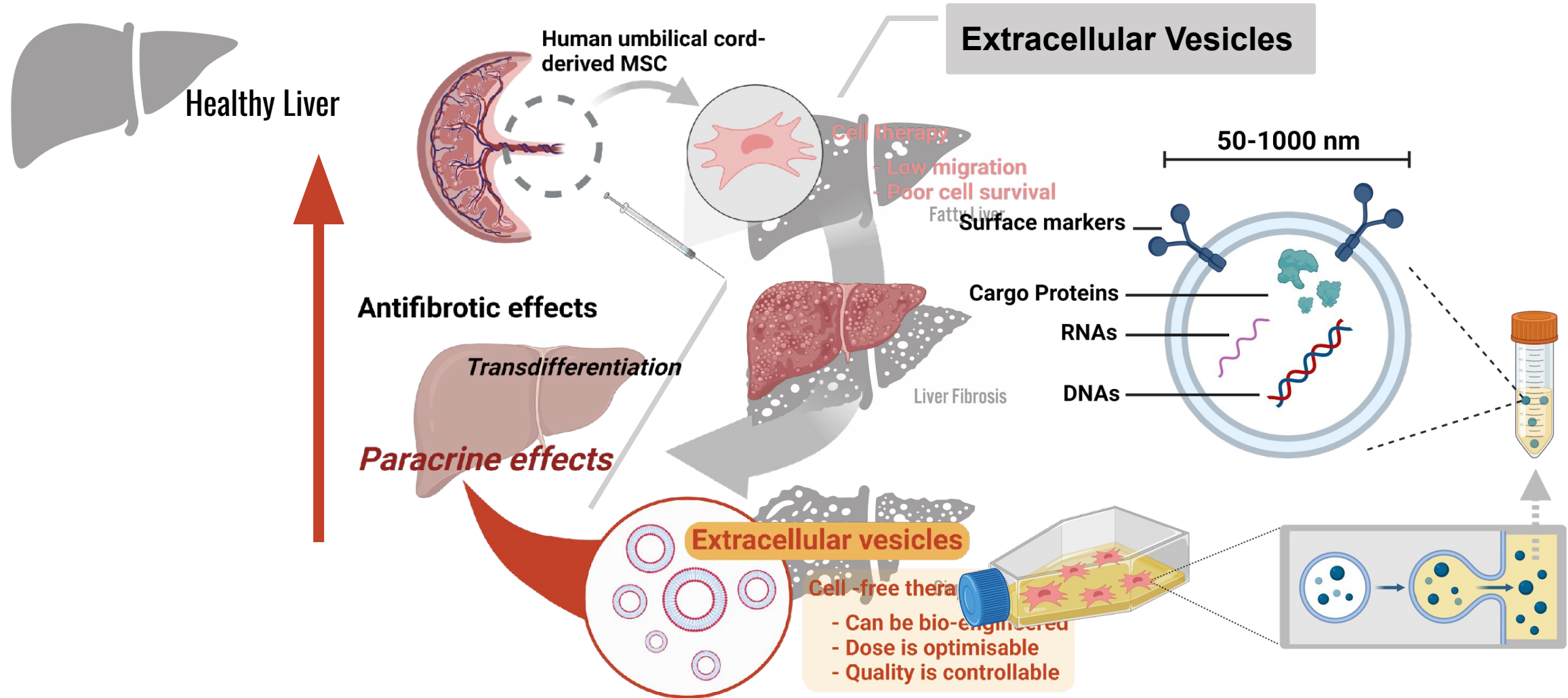


Cirrhosis



Liver Transplant

Promising solutions



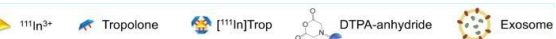
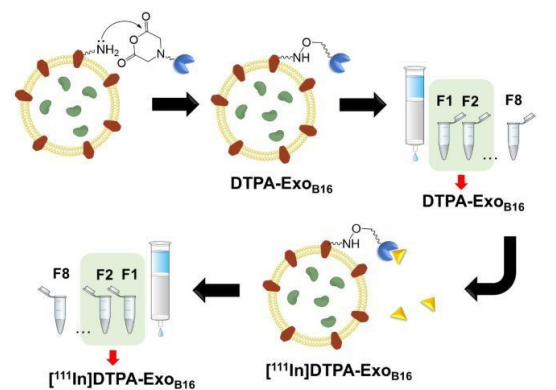
Why EVs are ideal for targeted liver delivery



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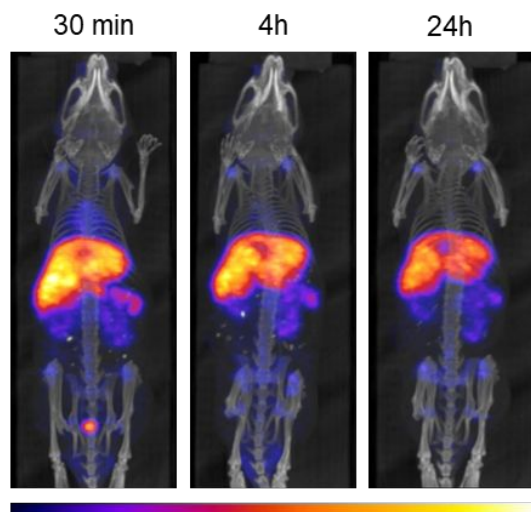
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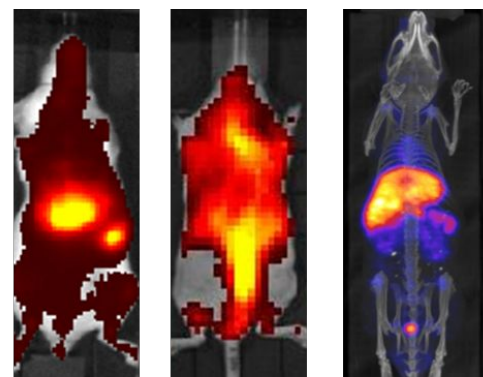
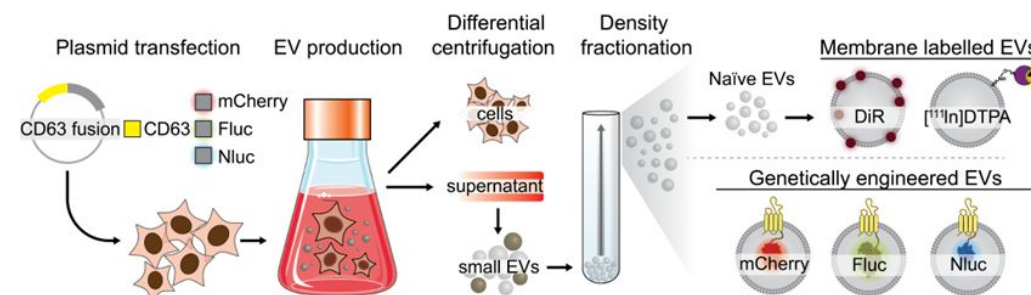
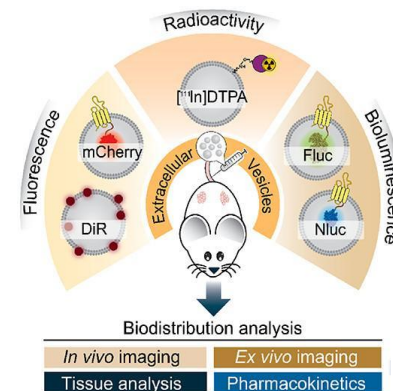


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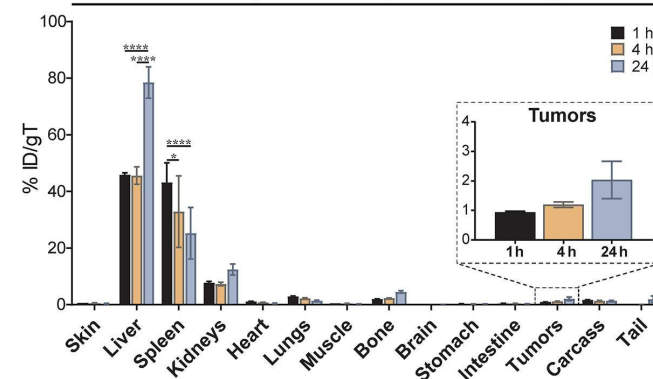
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Ex vivo quantification (Gamma-counting)





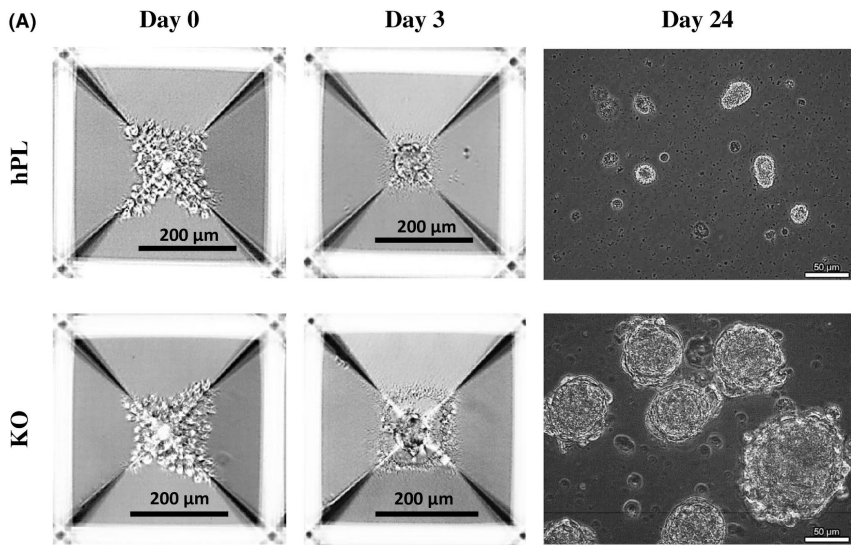
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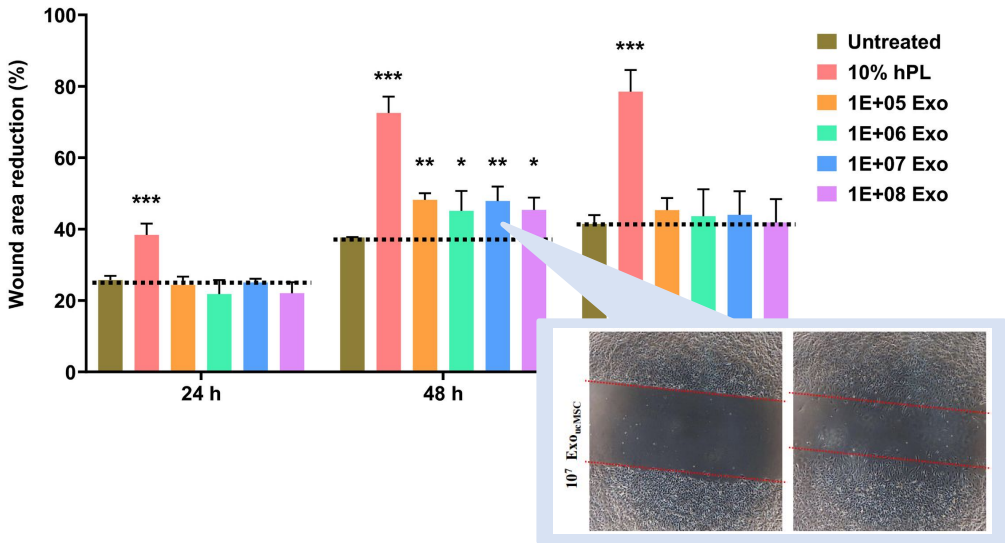
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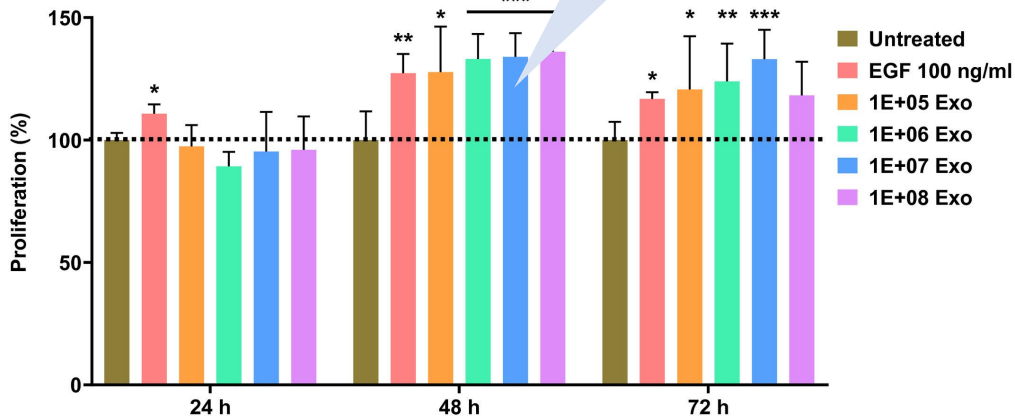
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Fibroblast migration tested by scratch wound healing assay



Stimulation of fibroblast proliferation by MSC-derived EVs



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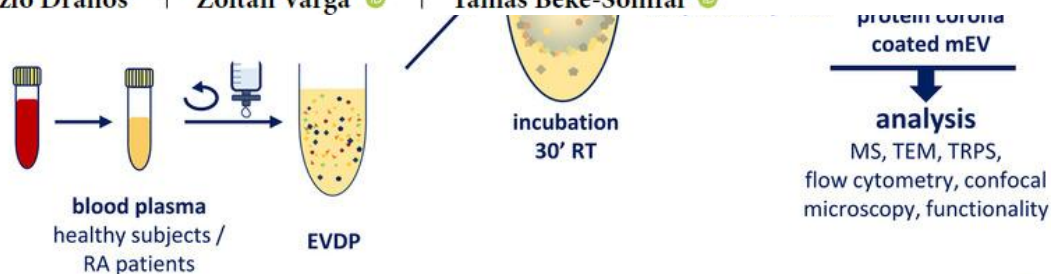
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A functional corona around extracellular vesicles enhances angiogenesis, skin regeneration and immunomodulation

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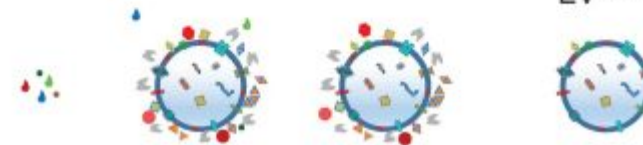


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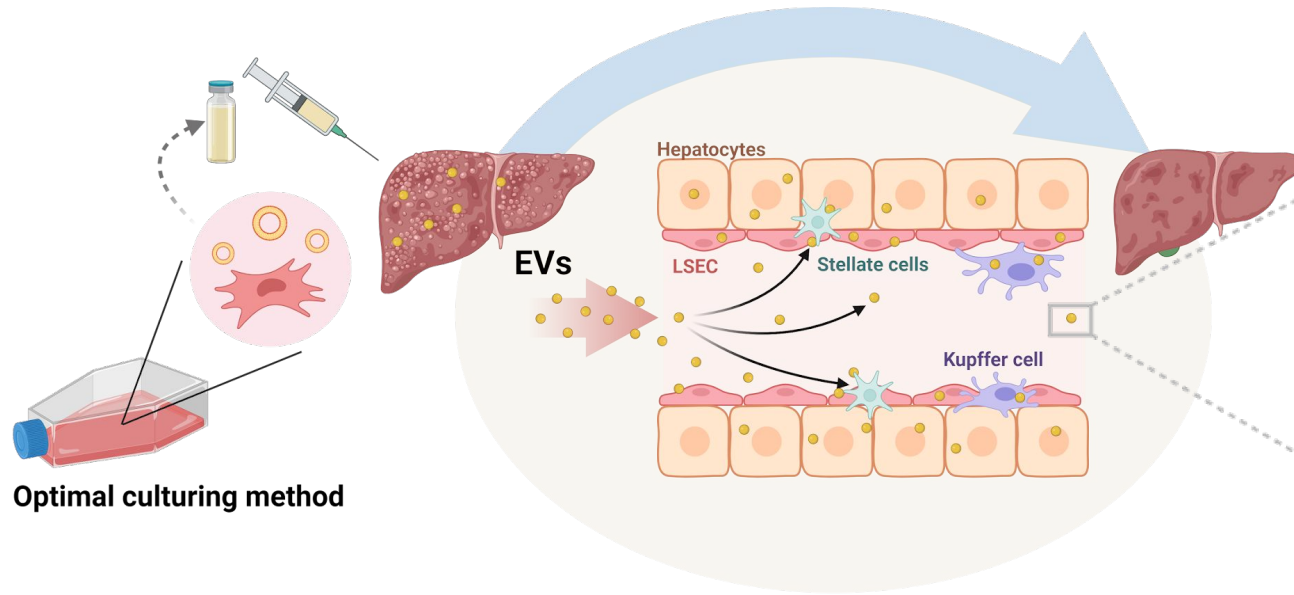


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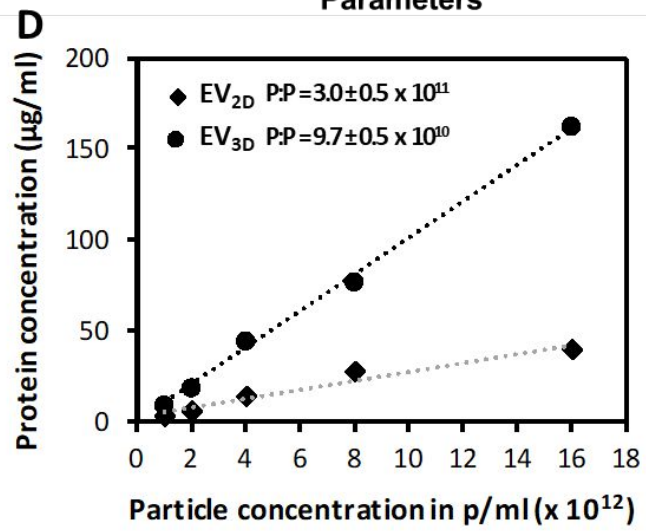
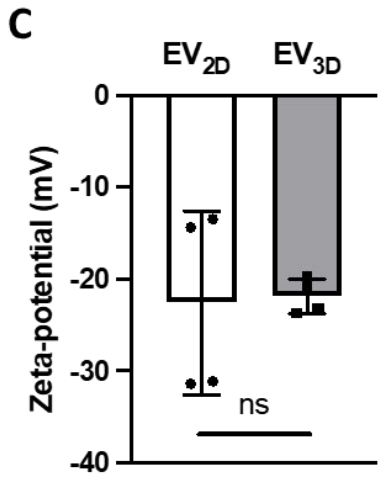
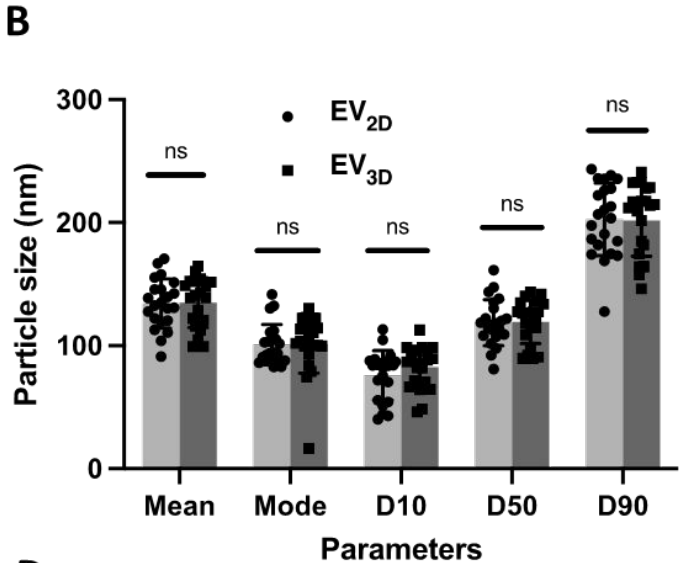
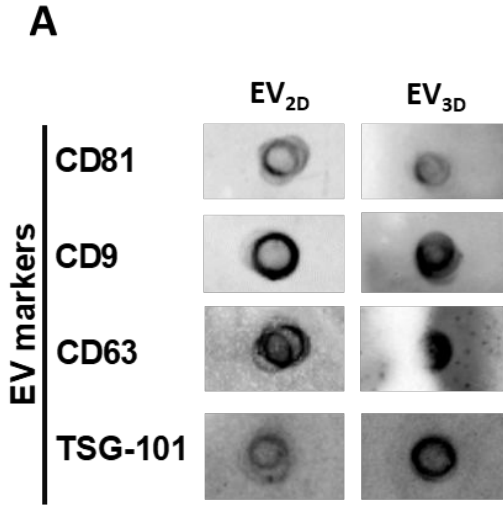
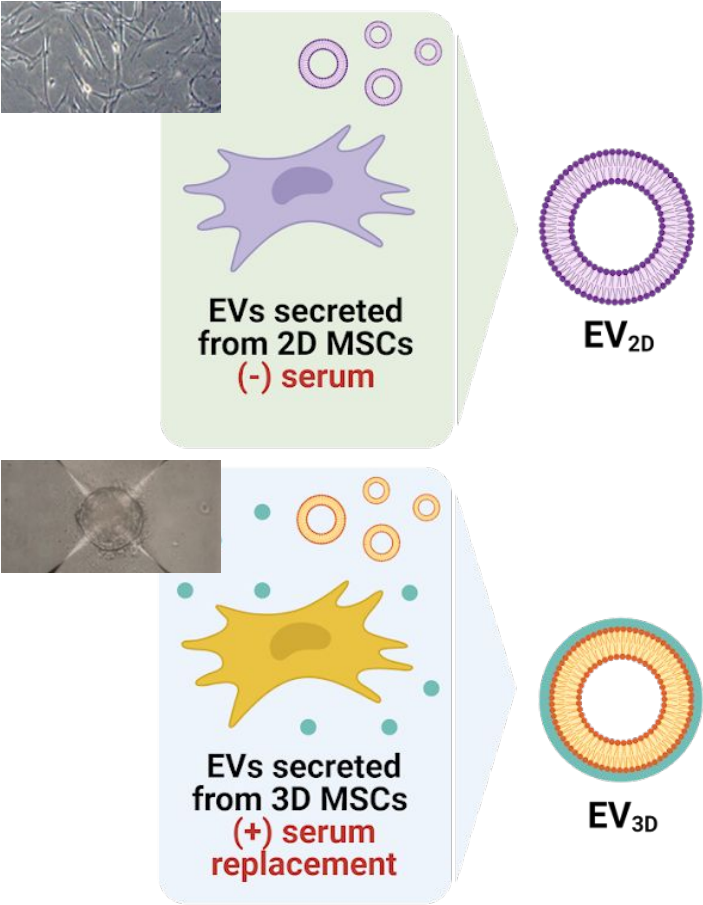
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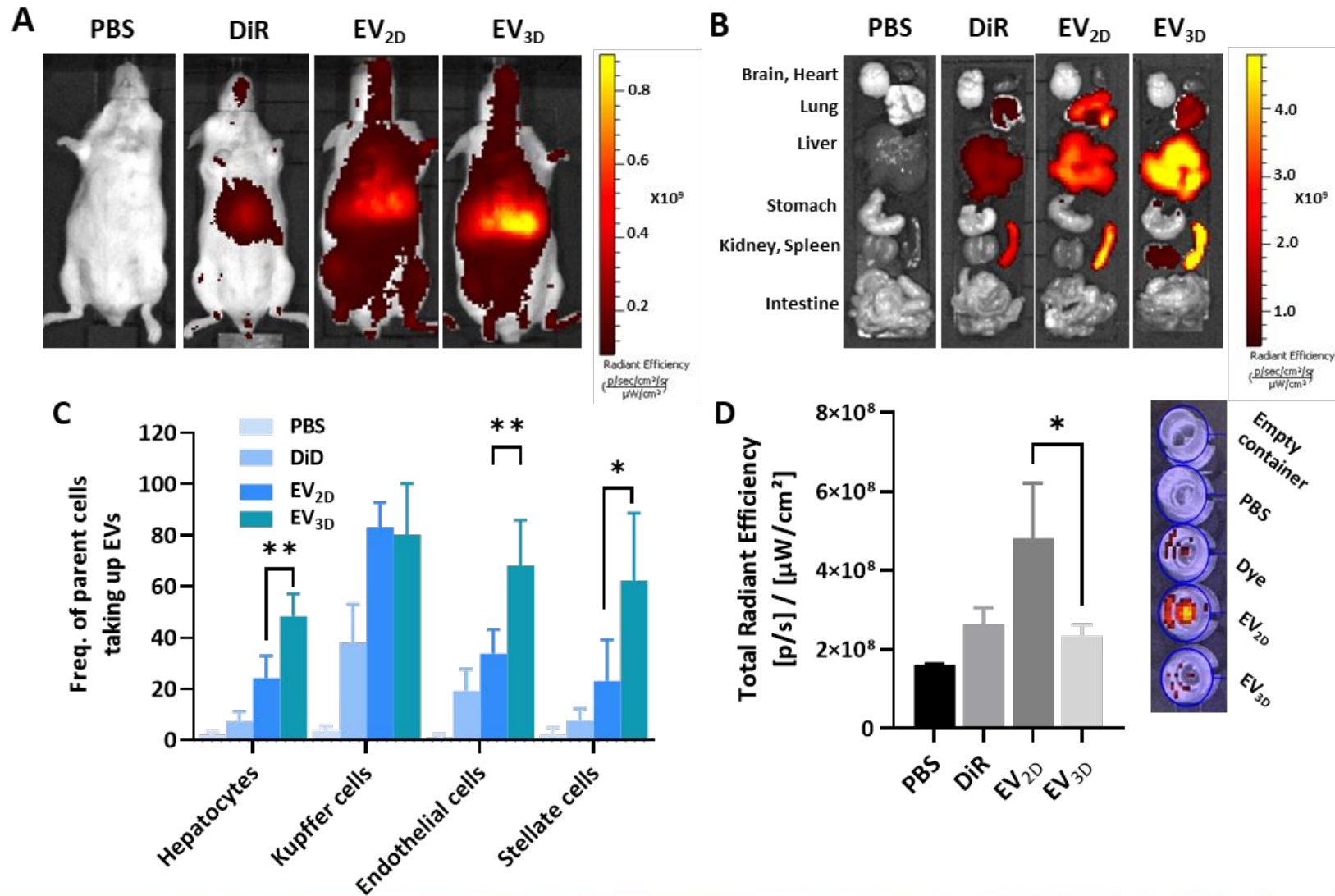
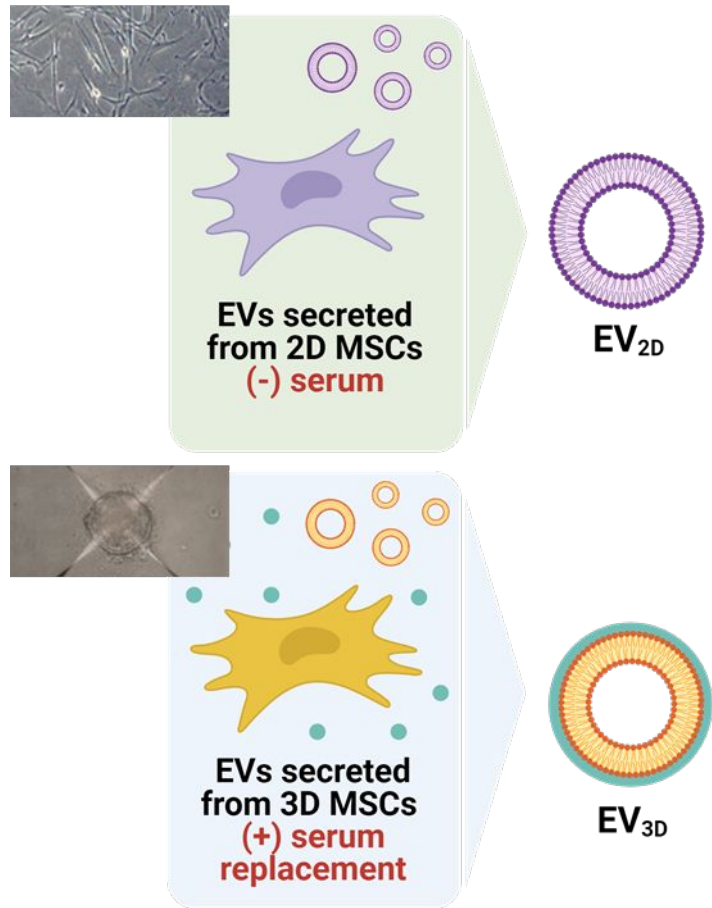
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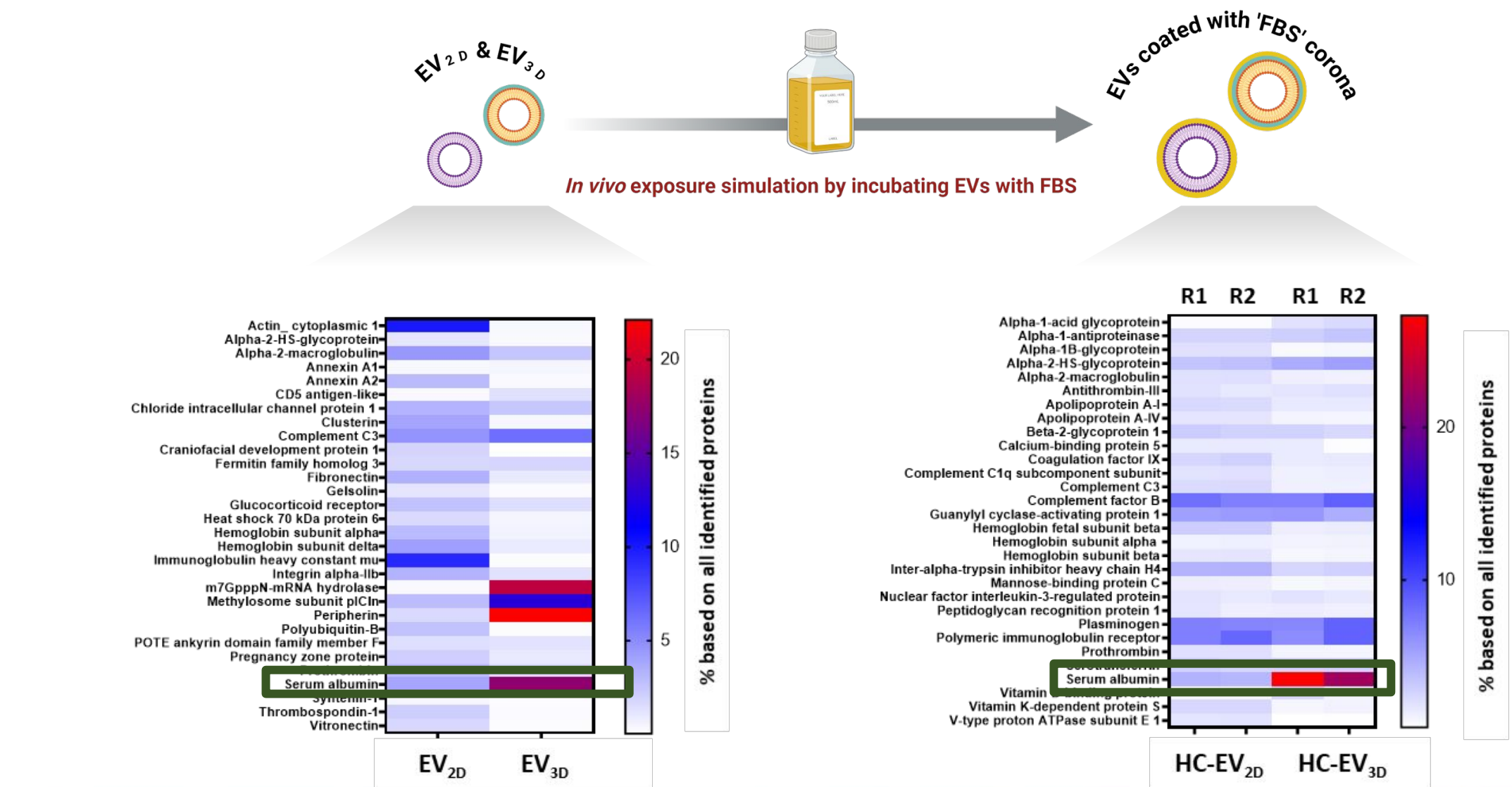
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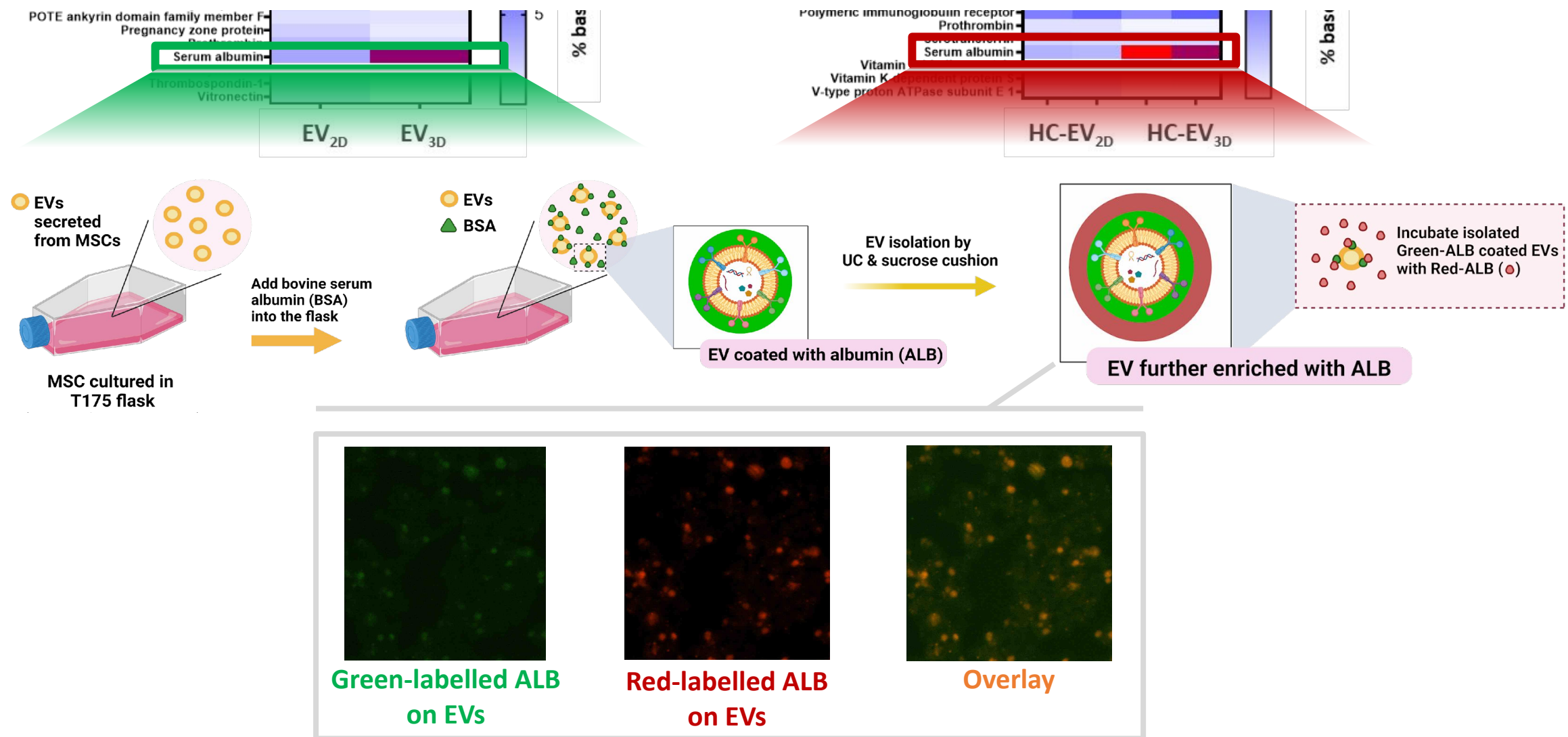
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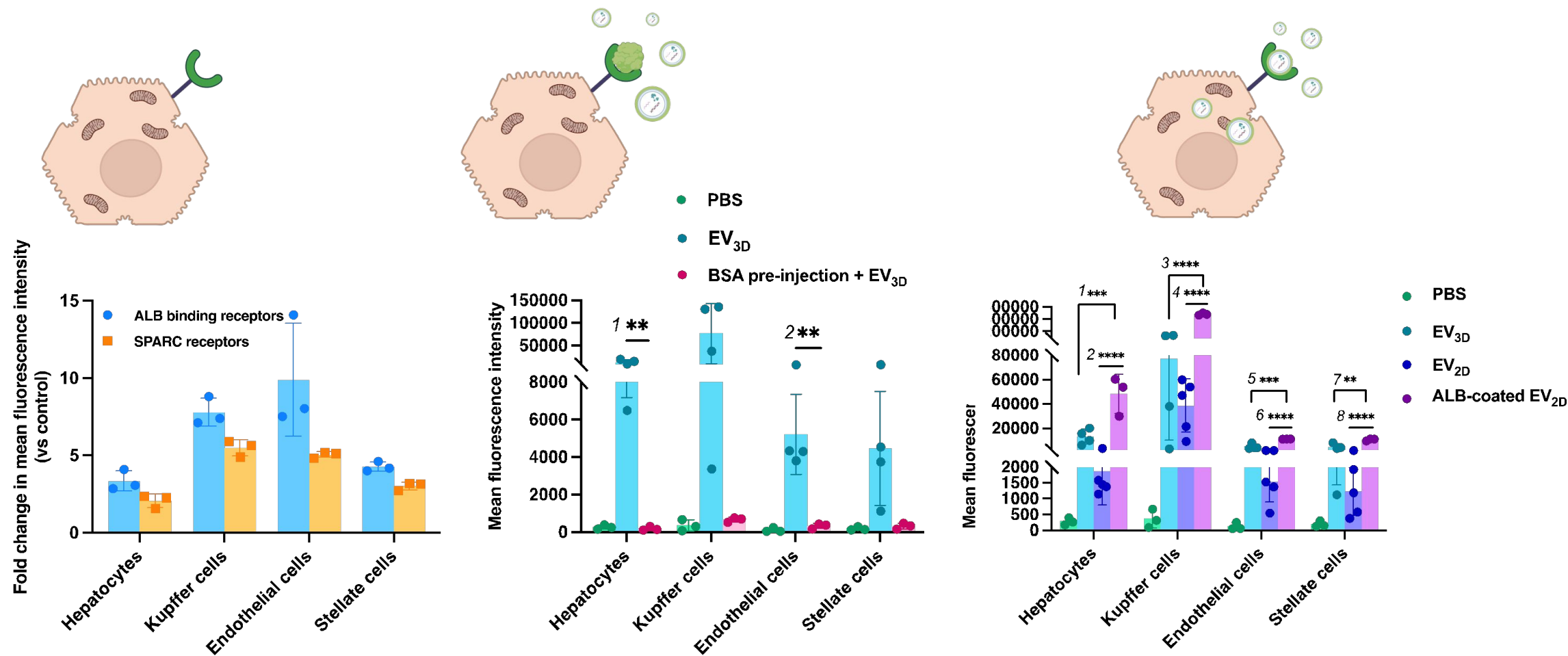
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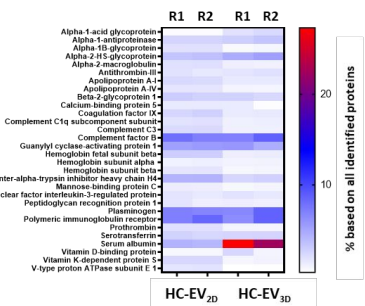
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In vivo proof-of-concept study confirming the contribution of ALB-enriched corona

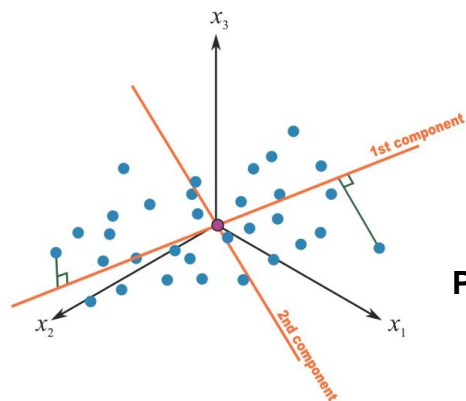
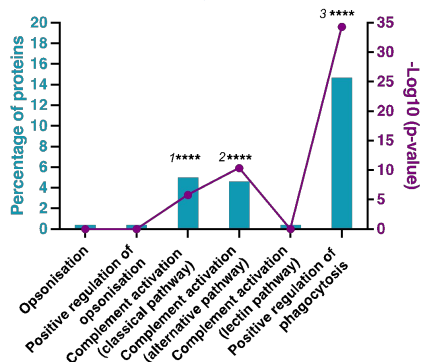


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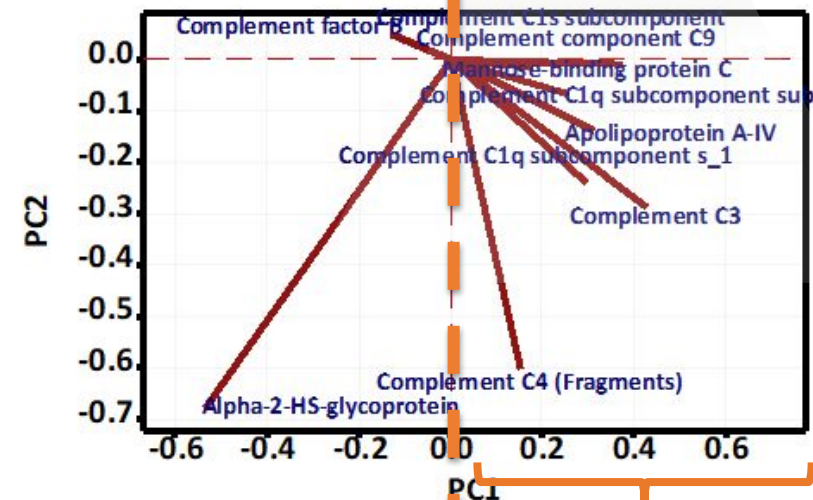
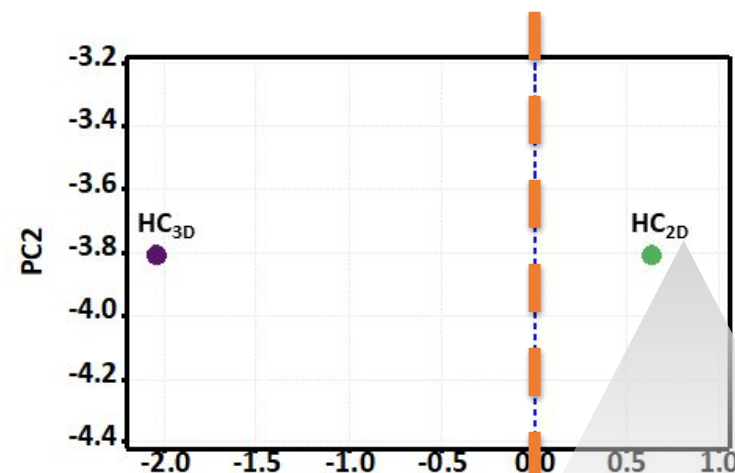


2nd corona

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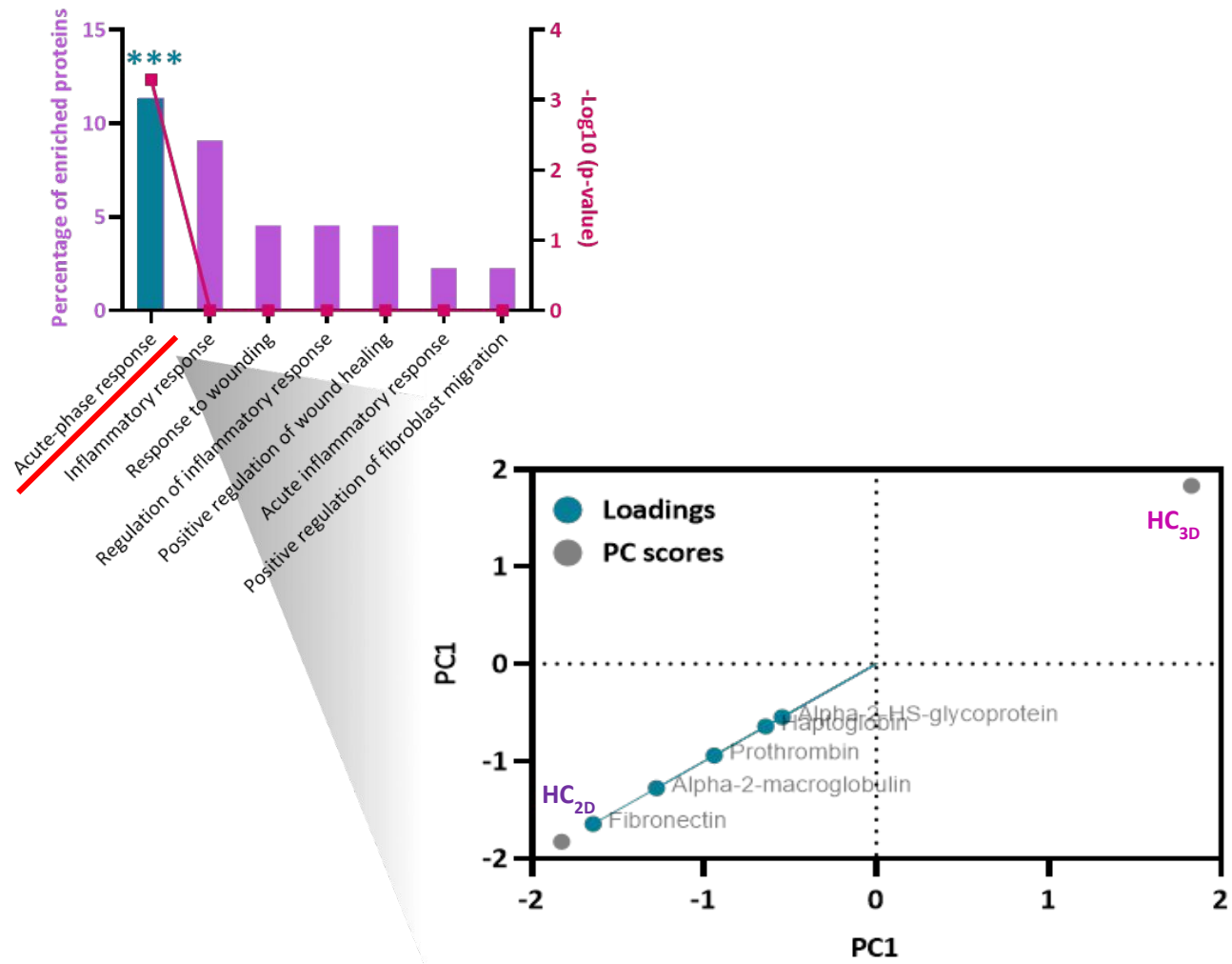


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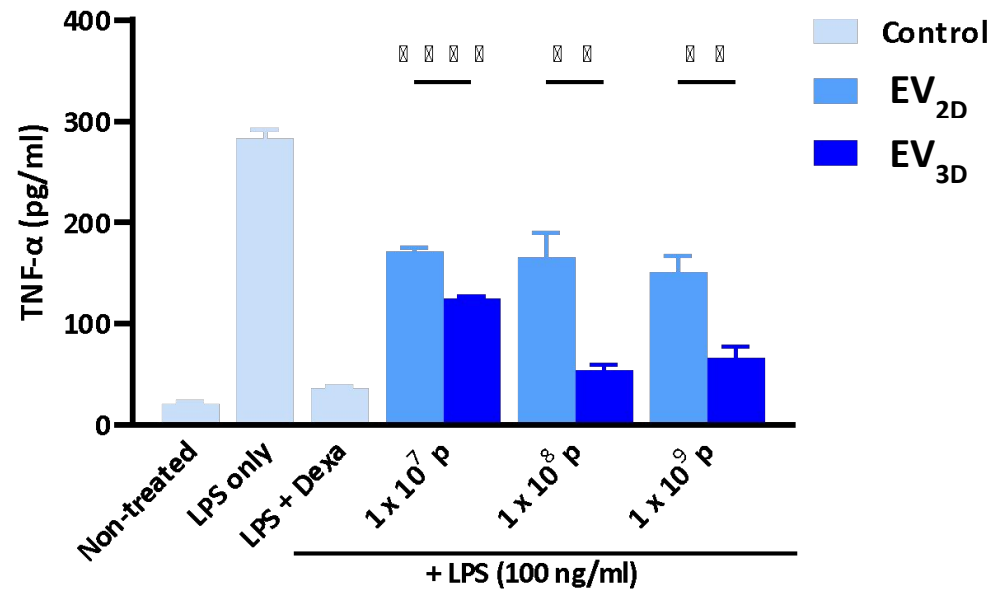


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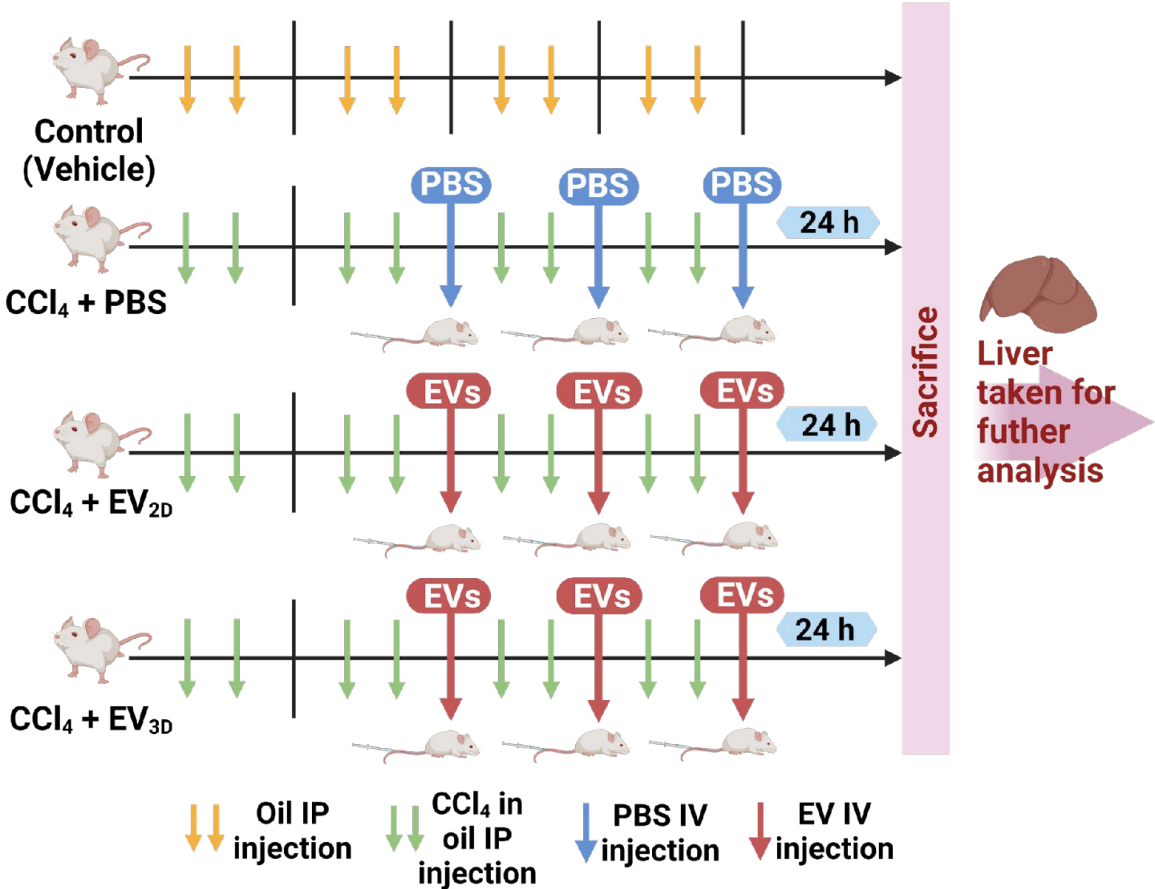


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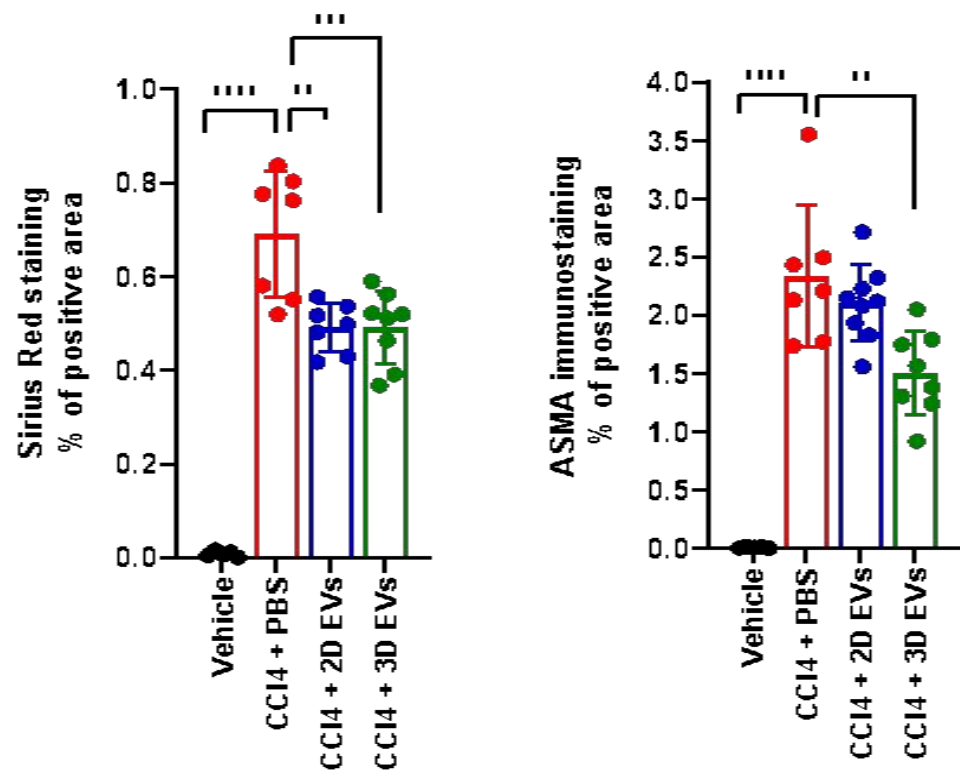


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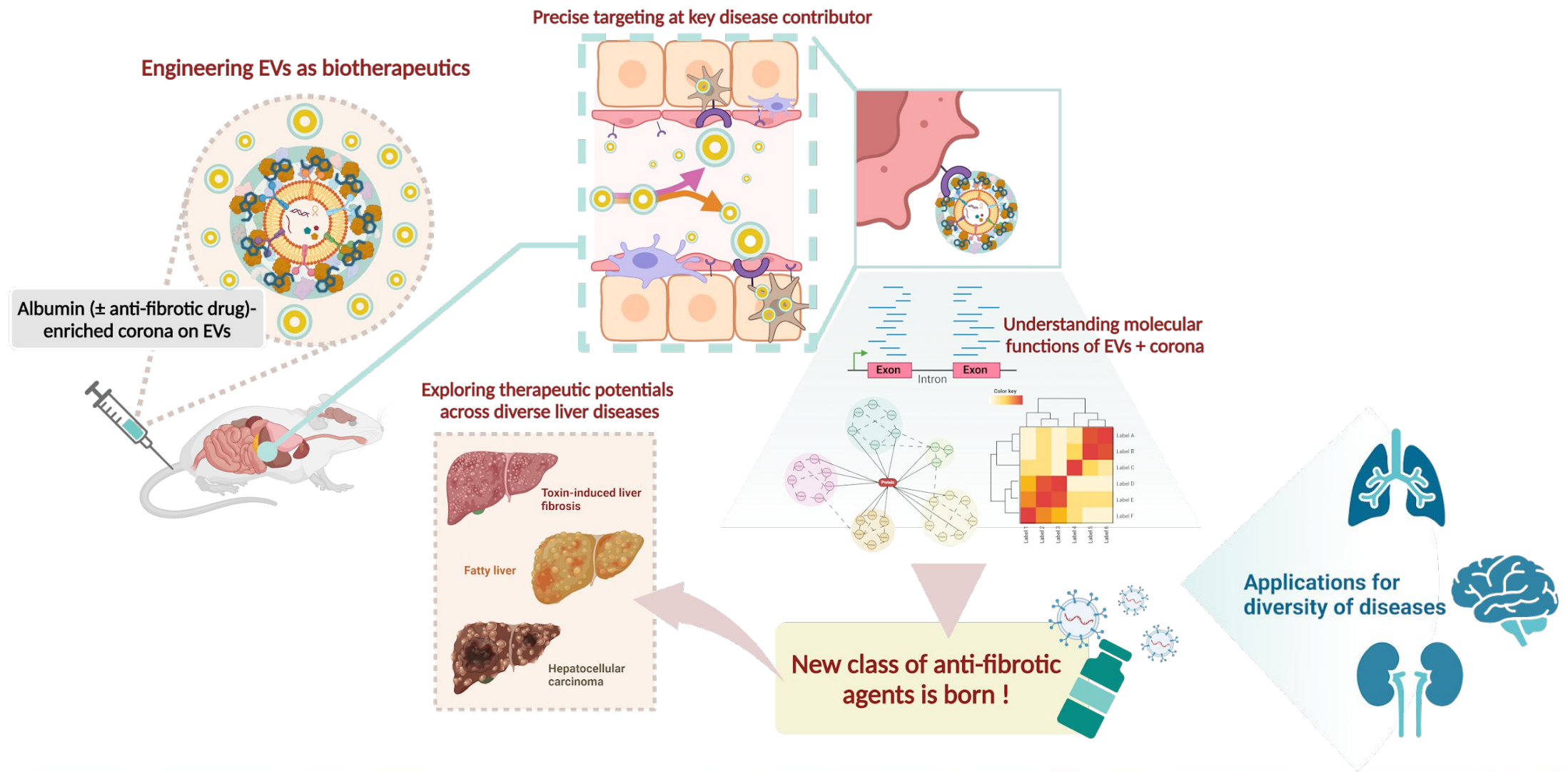


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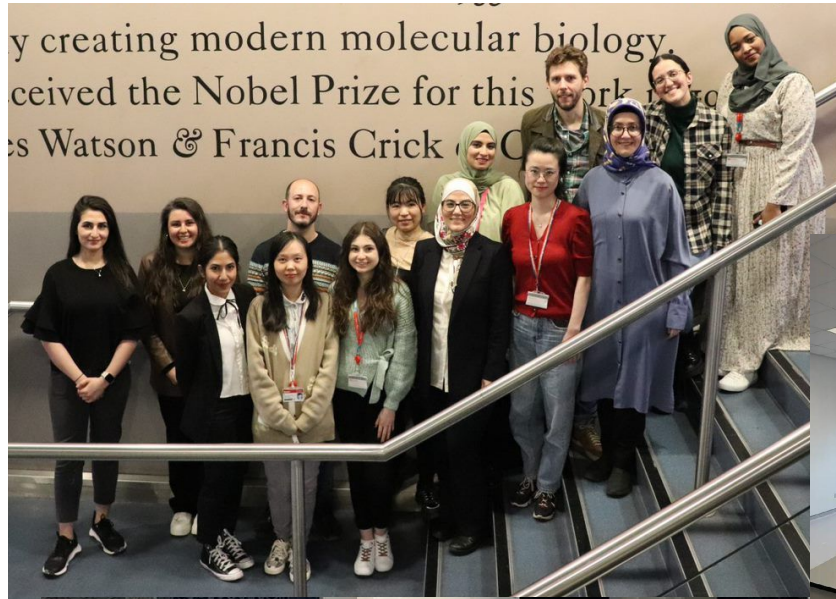
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