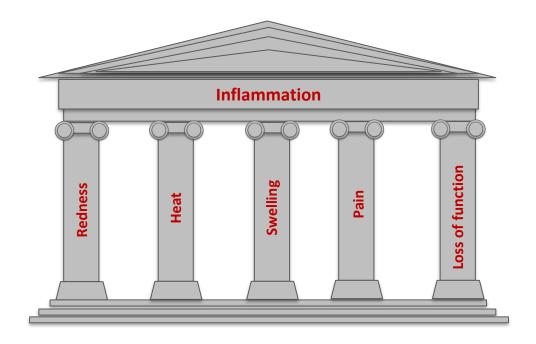
# Specialized Pro-resolving Mediators (SPMs) and Inflammation Resolution

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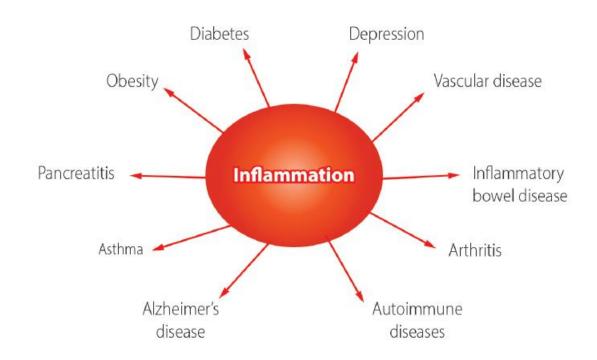
## Objectives

- 1. Understand and compare the two distinct phases of the inflammation response: initiation versus resolution
- 2. Discuss requirement for specialized pro-resolving mediators in inflammation resolution, and highlight areas where lipid mediator synthesis is dysregulated and may require additional support
- 3. Review emerging areas of clinical pro-resolution options, and discuss practice-based research results with specialized pro-resolving mediators

# Cardinal signs of inflammation



## Uncontrolled chronic inflammation is linked to many chronic diseases

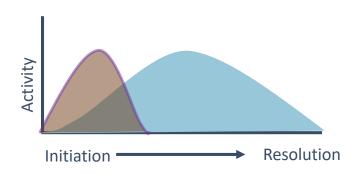


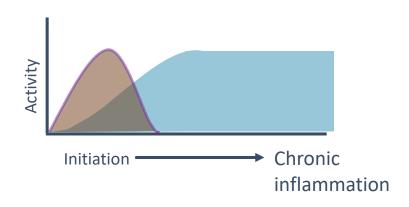


## The innate inflammatory response has two distinct and active phases

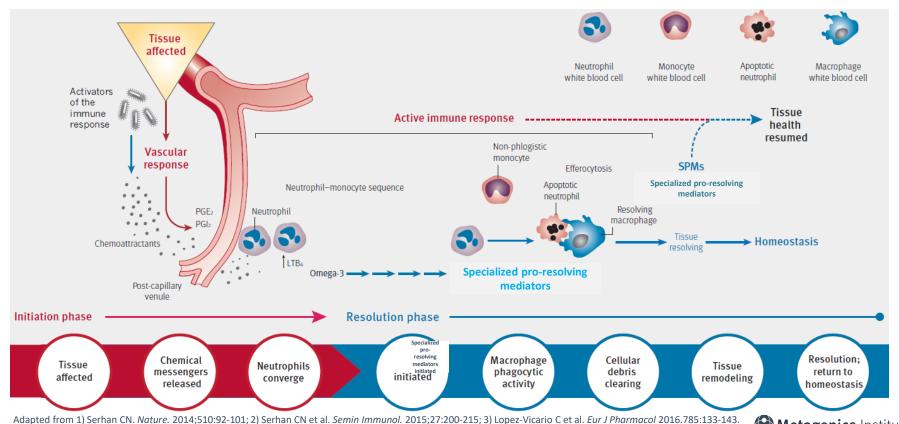
### 1. Initiation

### 2. Resolution





### Inflammation initiation and resolution activities



# Hallmarks of specialized pro-resolving mediator activity and inflammation resolution

- Limit PMN tissue infiltration, cessation
- Reduce collateral tissue damage by phagocytes
- Enhance macrophage phagocytosis, and efferocytosis
- Shorten R<sub>i</sub> resolution interval
- Counter-regulate pro-inflammatory chemical mediators (e.g. LTs, PGs)
- Increase anti-inflammatory mediators (IL-10 and others)
- Increase microbial killing and clearance by innate immune cells
- Enhance tissue regeneration





identification of SPMs and characterization in models of self-limiting inflammation

Continued

Charles Serhan first published on specialized proresolving mediator identification<sup>1</sup>

Concept of resolution interval introduced<sup>2</sup> SPMs in models of  $IBD^3$ Lower SPMs in AD brain tissue identified4

2005

SPMs in models of obesity, diabetes, atherosclerosis.

2010

arthritis5-8

2009

SPMs enhance B-cell response<sup>9</sup> SPMs linked to tissue regeneration<sup>10</sup>

SPMs enhance uptake + killing of microbes and reduce Abx requirement in mice11

2012

2011

Cohort studies highlight imbalance in lipid mediators in several conditions

2016

### **Current main-stream** clinical focus

### **Previous Perspective**

- Inflammation faded out by itself
- **Blocking inflammation** was the goal



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#### **Current Perspective**

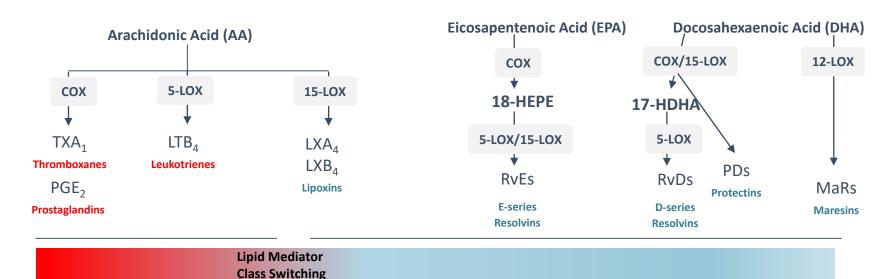
Inflammation resolution is an active process required for homeostasis

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Resolution is coordinated by specialized pro-resolving mediators



# Pathways of lipid mediator biosynthesis



**Inflammation Initiation** 

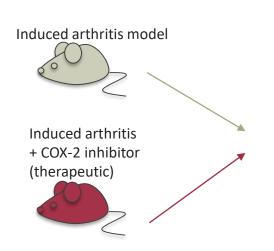
Protective Response

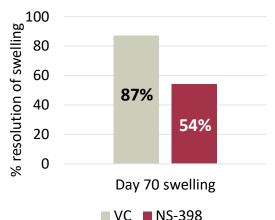
**Inflammation Resolution** *Return to homeostasis* 



# Blocking inflammation and resolution toxicity

Alpha signals omega – prostaglandin biosynthesis is critical to resolution, because PGEs stimulate induction of lipoxygenases necessary for LX and Rv synthesis. Blocking this cascade (e.g. COX-2 inhibitors) can be 'resolution toxic'

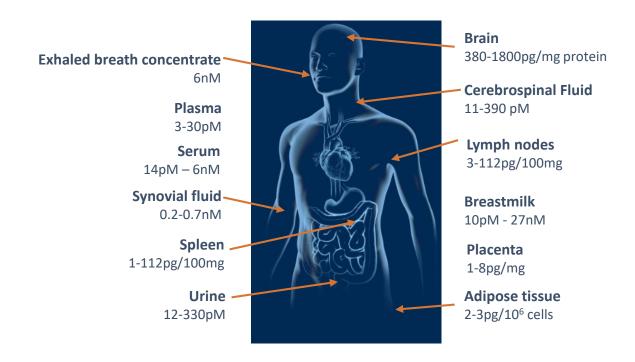




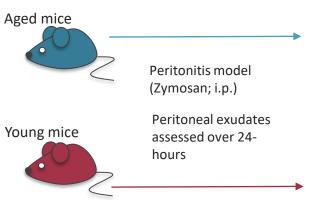
- TNFα and IL-17mRNA increased in NS-398
- Radiography showed greater degree of soft tissue swelling, digital misalignment, ankyloses and loss of bone density in NS-398
- Histological staining showed pannus of knee joint was proliferative and cartilage and bone more severely damaged in NS-398
- PGE<sub>2</sub> analogue treatment helped restore resolution



# Specialized pro-resolving mediators have been identified at bioactive levels across human tissues

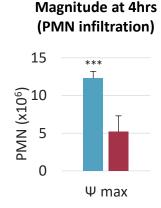


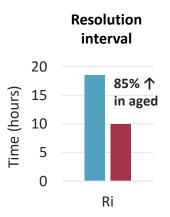
# Aging delays resolution of acute inflammation





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- IL-6 ↑ in exudates from aged mice
- Macrophages from aged mice had reduced ability to clear apoptotic PMNs
- Distinct lipid mediator profile in young versus aged mice: reduced lipoxins and DHAderived SPMs and increased PGs/TXs
- RvD3 shorted Ri, reduced PMN and enhanced ability of macrophage ability to clear PMNs

\*\*\* p<0.001 versus young mice



## Accelerated resolution of local inflammatory challenge in women

#### Participants and study design

16 healthy premenopausal women and 16 healthy men Local application of cantharidin with assessment of resulting blister formation at 24 and 72hrs

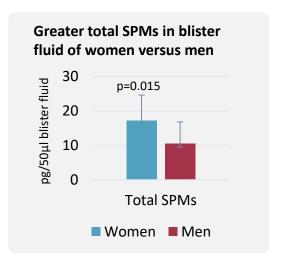
#### Results

#### 24 hours

- Blisters had formed within 24 hrs in both men and women
- No difference in recruited neutrophils in blister fluid between men and women at 24 hrs

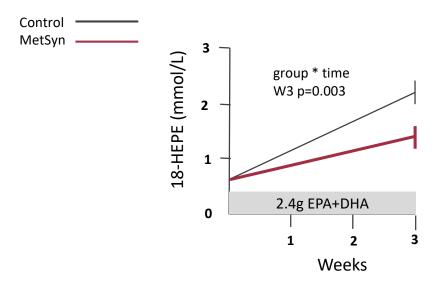
#### 72 hours

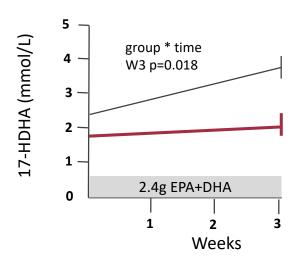
- Blister resolution in 70% of women compared to 30% of men
- Reduced leukocyte number and activation in women
- Greater total SPMs in women
- Distinct clustering of lipid mediators in men and women
  - Men enriched for LTB4
  - Women enriched for RvE1 and RvE3



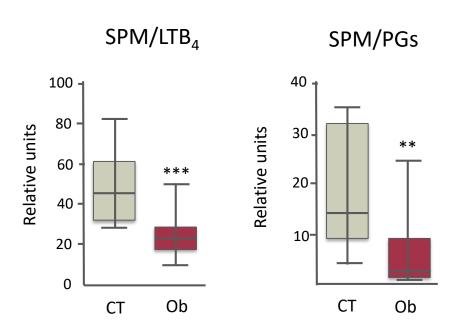


# Metabolic syndrome blunts increase in 17-HDHA and 18-HEPE following EPA + DHA supplementation





# Obese subjects have a different lipid mediator profile than lean controls



- The ratio between SPMs and proinflammatory markers is lower in obese adipose tissue
- Obese subjects scheduled for bariatric surgery (n=41) and lean controls (n=7) scheduled for cholecystectomy. Omental adipose tissue samples collected at time of surgery.



## Emerging area: Resolution in obesity and metabolic disease



- Decrease secretion of pro-inflammatory adipokines
- Increase adiponectin secretion
- Increase macrophage phagocytosis
- Promote anti-inflammatory/pro-resolving
  M2 macrophage phenotype
- Reduce monocyte adhesion to adipocytes and reduce crown-like structures



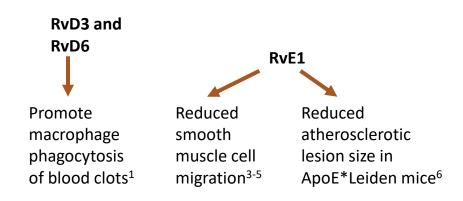
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## Emerging area: Resolution in vascular disease



- Primary human vascular cells produce SPMs and express
  SPM receptors<sup>8,3</sup>
- Ratio of SPMs to pro-inflammatory leukotriene B4 (LTB4), are significantly decreased in the vulnerable compared with stable atherosclerotic plaque lesions<sup>7</sup>



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## Emerging area: Resolution and arthritis



- Osteoarthritis (OA) is characterized by an increase in inflammatory cells and biomarkers in affected joints<sup>1</sup>
- In patients with arthritis, lower levels of Rvs, 17-HDHA, and 18-HEPE were correlated with higher erythrocyte sedimentation rate and pain<sup>2</sup>
- In animal models, treatment with Rvs reduced joint inflammation, ameliorated arthritis symptom and severity, and stimulated chondrocyte matrix production<sup>3-5</sup>



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# Emerging area: Resolution and the brain

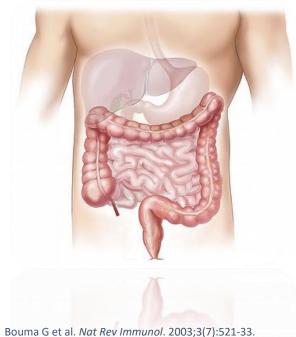


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- Neuroinflammation has been associated with cognitive decline<sup>1,2</sup>
- Measured in the postmortem brain tissues, lower levels of specific neuroprotectin and Rv in the brain and cerebrospinal fluid were seen in Alzheimer's disease (AD)-related neurodegeneration<sup>3,4</sup>
- Levels of lipoxin and Rv, measured in the postmortem brain tissues from AD patients, were positively correlated with cognitive function as determined by Mini-Mental State Examination scores<sup>5</sup>



## Emerging area: Resolution and inflammatory bowel disease



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 Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis are IBD that lead to long-term and occasionally irreversible impairment of gastrointestinal structure and function<sup>1</sup>

 In animal models, Rvs, Mar, and 17-HDHA have been shown to help reduce tissue damage, reduce inflammation and neutrophil infiltration, maintain body weight, and increase survival <sup>2-5</sup>



# Summary

- Two distinct phases of the inflammatory response initiation and resolution
- Inflammation resolution is actively coordinated by a group of lipid mediators known as specialized pro-resolving mediators
- Lipid mediators class switching (from pro-inflammatory to pro-resolving) is critical for inflammation resolution to occur
- Several chronic conditions have been associated with reduced levels of specialized pro-resolving mediators in circulation or in tissues
- Mechanistic data points to potential therapeutic benefit for various specialized pro-resolving mediators

# Cardinal signs of inflammation initiation and resolution

