

Atractylenolide I Prevents Acute Liver Failure in Mouse by Regulating M1 Macrophage Polarization

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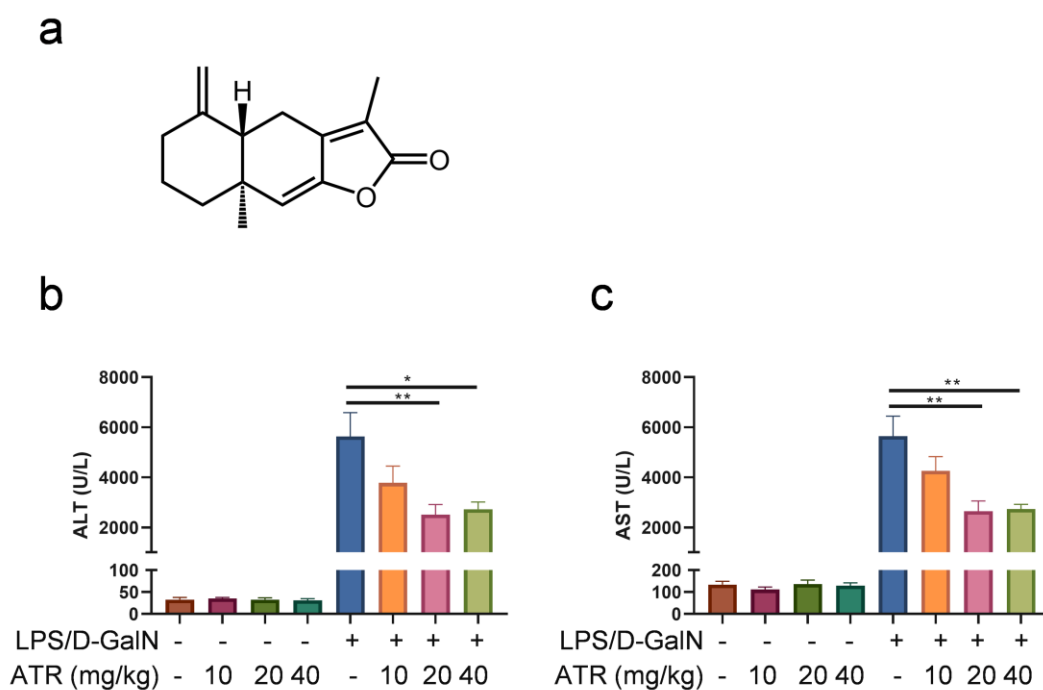
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Supplementary Fig. S1 online

The effects of different concentrations of ATR-I on LPS/D-GalN-Induced ALF.

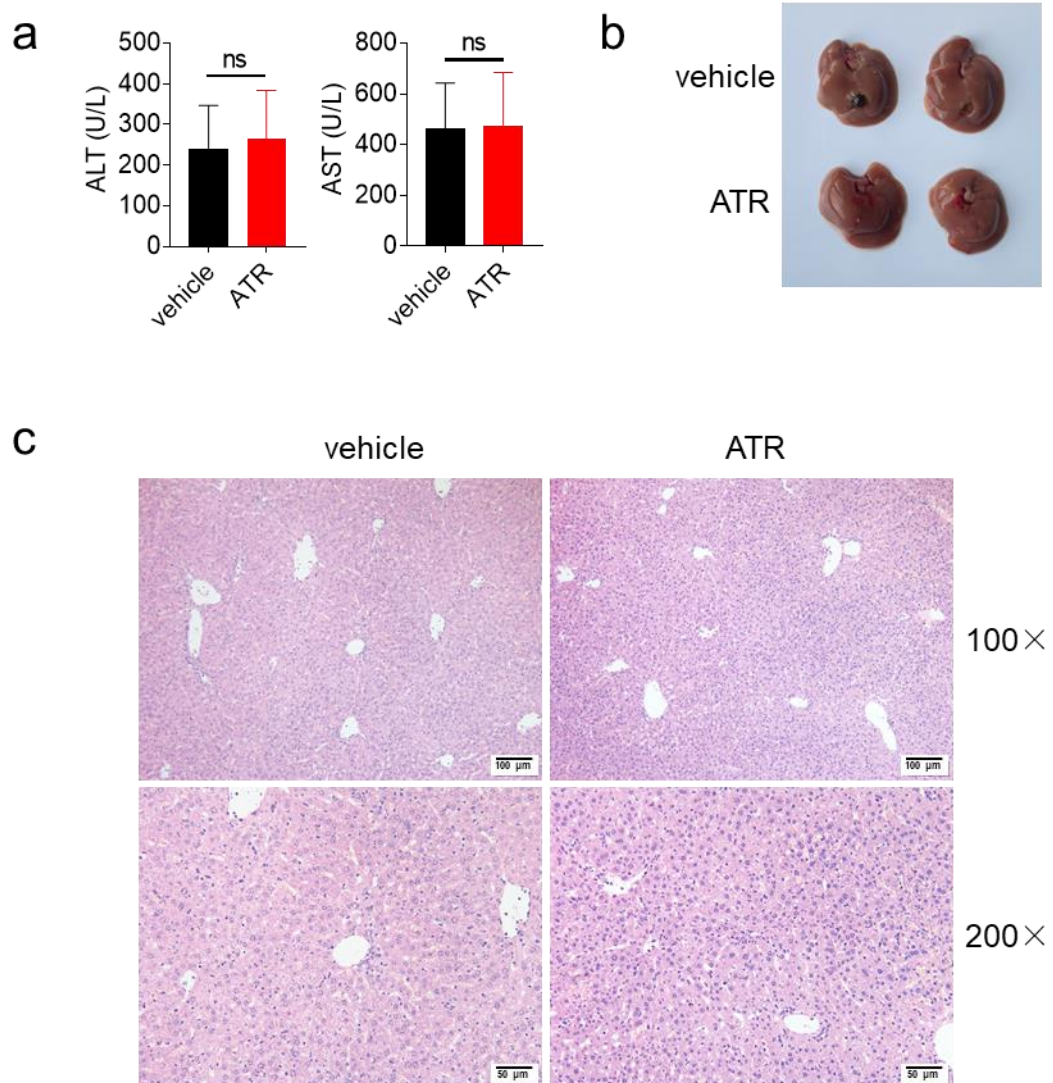
Mice were intraperitoneally injected with ATR-I (10, 20, 40 mg/kg body weight) 3 h before being intraperitoneally administered with LPS (10 µg/kg)/D-GalN (250 mg/kg). Twelve hours after LPS/D-GalN injection, the serum were collected. (a) Chemical structure of ATR-I. (b) Serum ALT levels. (c) Serum AST levels. Data represent means $\pm$ SD (n = 5). * P < 0.05, ** P < 0.01



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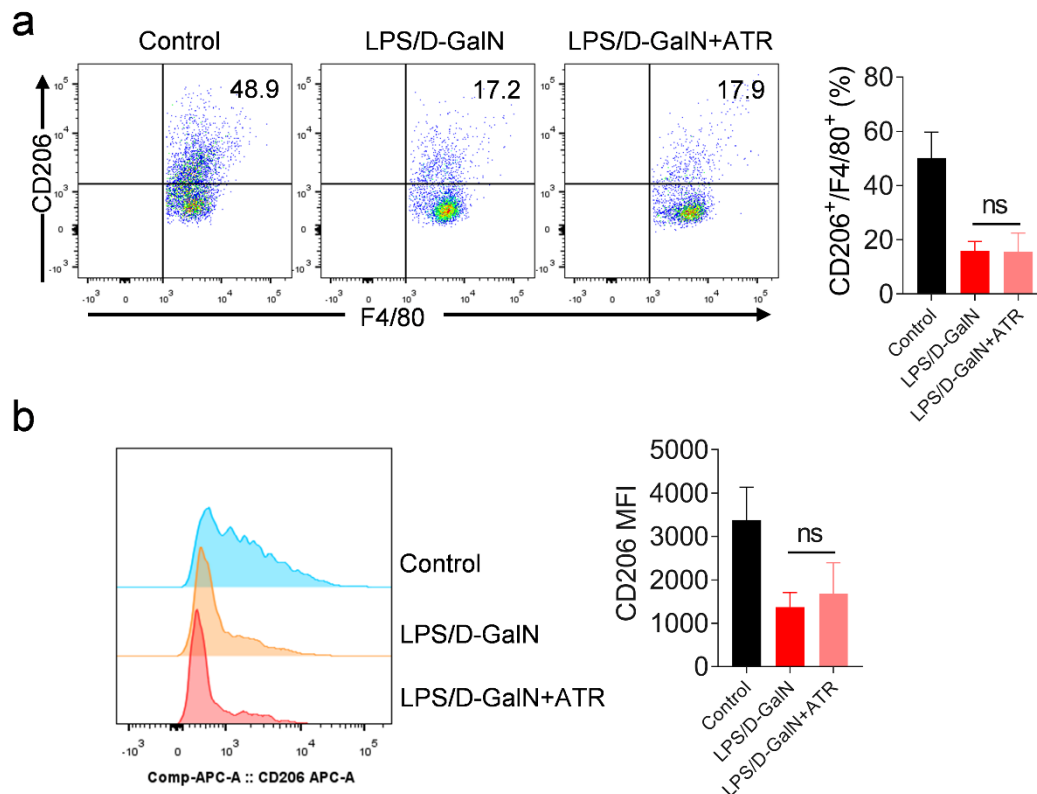
ATR-I does not elicit negative side effects in mice. Mice were intraperitoneally injected with ATR-I (20 mg/kg). After 15 h, the liver tissue and serum were collected.

(a) Serum ALT and AST levels in mice (n=5). **(b)** Liver appearance. **(c)** Liver sections stained with H&E at original magnifications of 100× and 200×



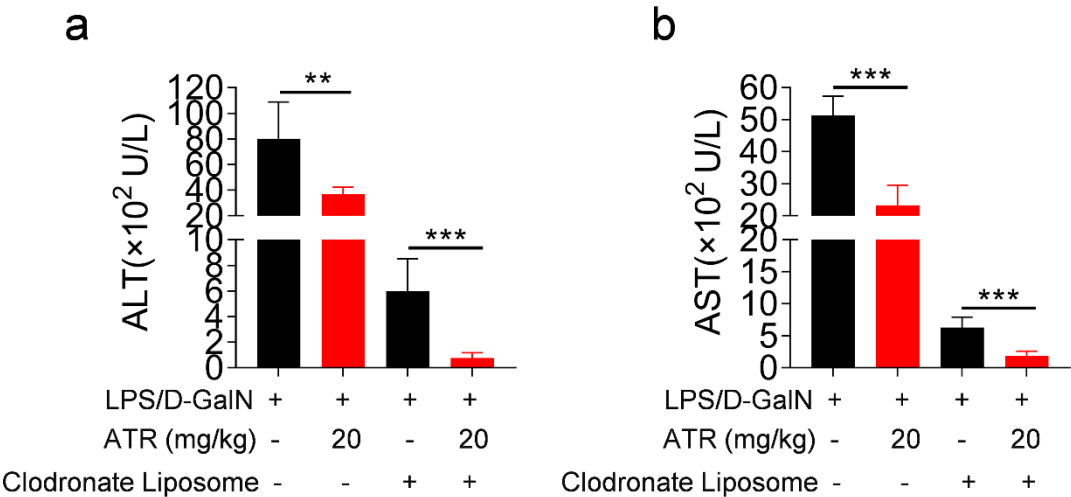
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ATR-I does not impact M2 macrophage activation *in vivo*. Mice were intraperitoneally injected with ATR-I (20 mg/kg) and 3 h later were injected intraperitoneally with LPS (10 μ g/kg)/D-GalN (250 mg/kg). After 12 h, the liver tissues were collected. **(a)** Ratio of M2 macrophages in mouse HMNCs (CD206⁺F4/80⁺) (**n=5**). **(b)** CD206 mean fluorescence intensity (**n=5**). Data are presented as the mean $\pm$ SD, ns, not significant



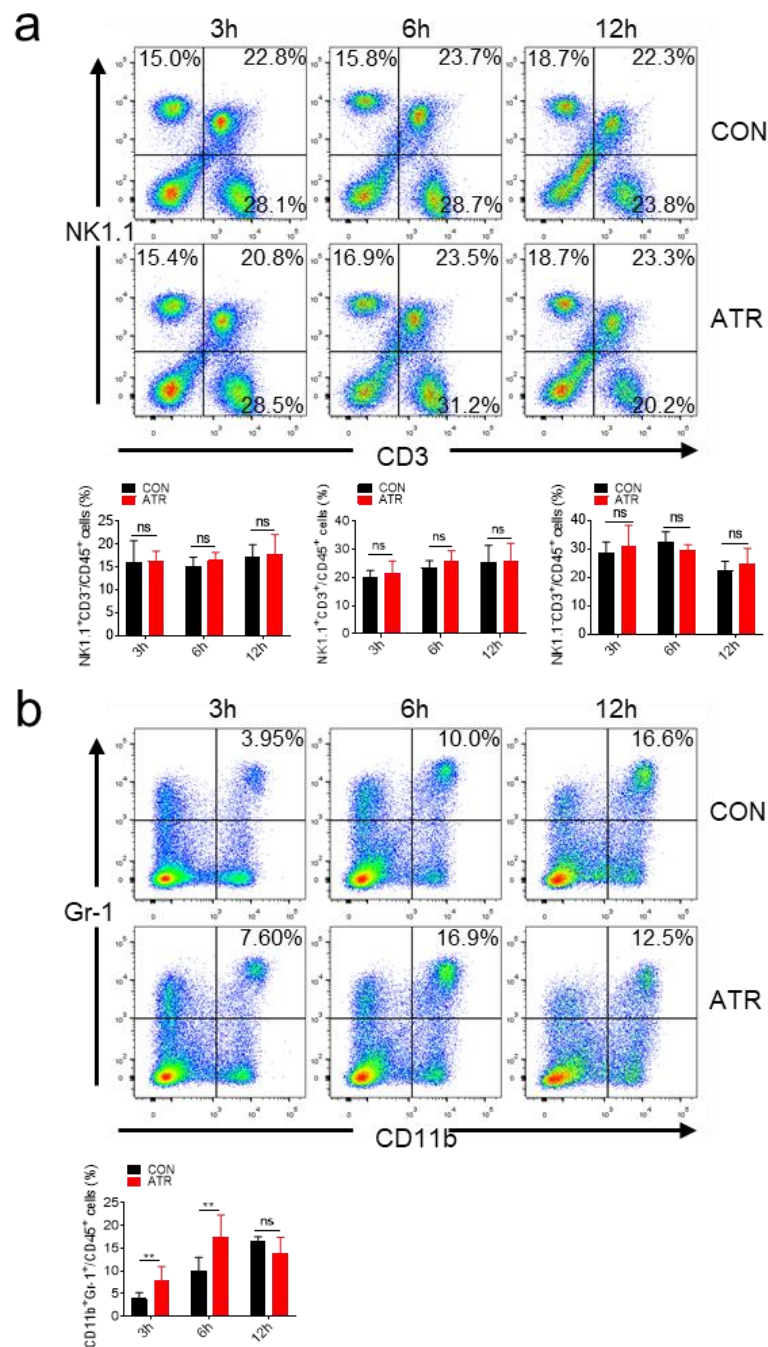
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The hepatoprotective effects of ATR-I is partially related to M1 macrophage polarization. Liver macrophages were depleted with clodronate liposomes (50 μ L/10 g of body weight) by intravenous injection in accordance with the guidelines of the manufacturer. Twenty-four hours later, the mice were treated with ATR-I (20 mg/kg body weight) and LPS (10 μ g/kg body weight)/D-GalN (250 mg/kg body weight). Serum (a) ALT and (b) AST levels in mice (n=5). Data are presented as the mean $\pm$ SD. ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$



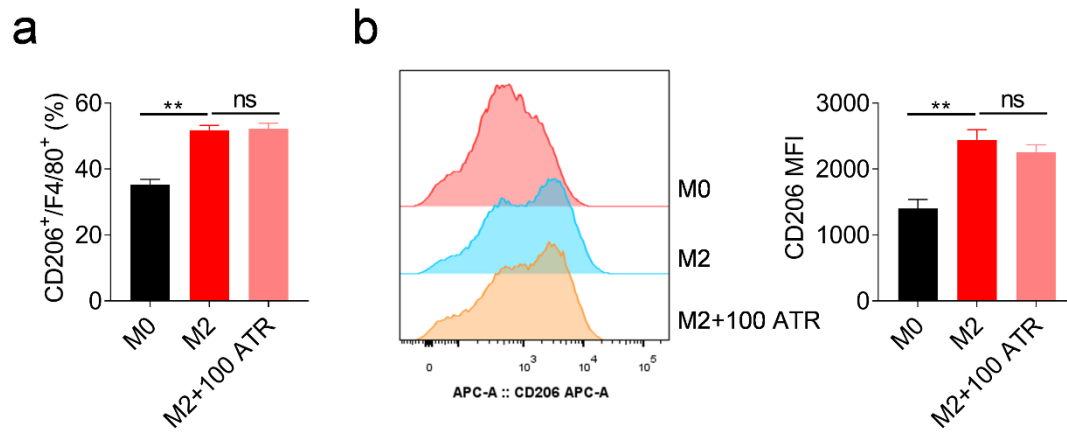
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Effects of ATR-I on the proportion of NK, NKT, T cells and MDSCs in mice livers. Mice were intraperitoneally injected with ATR-I (20 mg/kg) and 3 h later were injected intraperitoneally with LPS (10 μ g/kg)/D-GalN (250 mg/kg). Liver tissues were collected at the indicated time points after LPS/D-GalN injection. **(a)** NKT (CD3⁺NK1.1⁺), NK (CD3⁻NK1.1⁺), and T (CD3⁺NK1.1⁻) cell ratios in mouse hepatic mononuclear cells (HMNCs) (*n*=5). **(b)** MDSCs (CD11b⁺Gr-1⁺) ratios in mouse HMNCs (*n*=5). Data are presented as the mean $\pm$ SD. ***p* < 0.01, ns, not significant



Supplementary Fig. S6 online

ATR-I does not affect M2 macrophage activation *in vitro*. BMDMs were treated with ATR-I (100 μ M) for 3 h and then supplemented with IL-4 (10 ng/mL) and IL-13 (10 ng/mL) for 24 h. **(a)** Ratio of M2 macrophages after ATR-I treatment ($n=5$). **(b)** CD206 mean fluorescence intensity after ATR-I treatment ($n=5$). Data are presented as the mean $\pm$ SD. $**p < 0.01$, ns, not significant



Supplementary Fig. S7 online

The inhibitory effects of ATR-I on M1 macrophage polarization is partially dependent on the MAPK signaling pathway. BMDMs were treated with ATR-I (100 μ M) and Anisomycin (10 μ g/mL) for 3 h and then supplemented with LPS (100 ng/mL) and IFN- γ (20 ng/mL) for 24 h. **(a)** Ratio of M1 macrophages (CD86⁺CD11b⁺) ($n=5$). **(b)** CD86 mean fluorescence intensity ($n=5$). Data are presented as the mean $\pm$ SD. * $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.001$

