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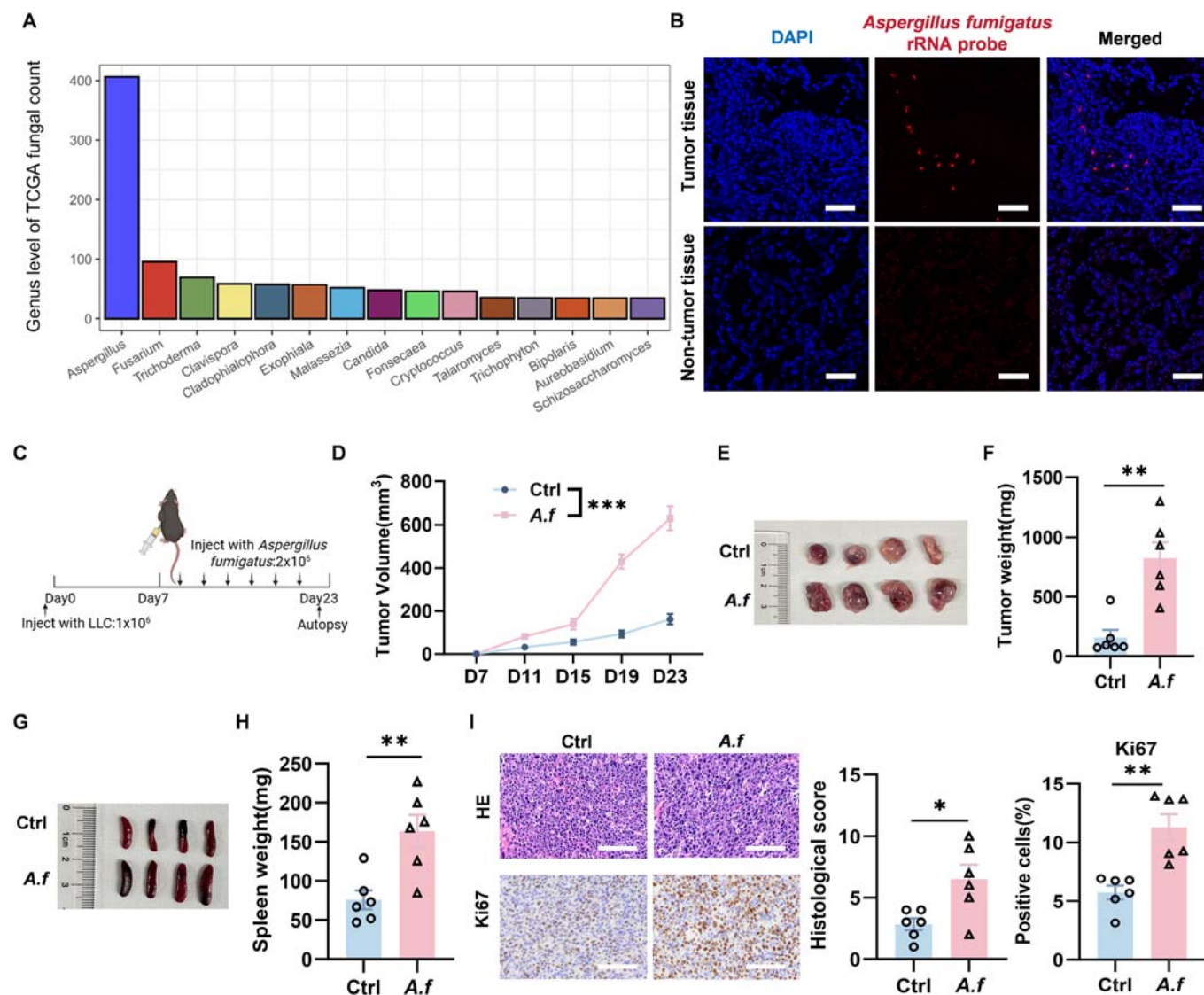


Figure EV1. *A. fumigatus* promotes the development of lung cancer.

(A) The distribution of different fungal genera in LUAD was analyzed based on the decontaminated TCGA fungal count data. (B) Detection of *A. fumigatus* in human lung cancer by FISH (scale bars, 50 μ m). (C) Lewis lung cancer cells (1×10^6) were injected subcutaneously into the right flank of mice ($n = 6$ per group). Live *A. fumigatus* (2×10^6) was injected peritumorally three times per week for two weeks. All tumor-bearing mice were executed on day 23 (Created with BioRender.com). (D) Tumor-volume curve was calculated after injection every four days ($p = 0.0006$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (E) Representative images of tumors from different groups. (F) Tumors isolated from mice were weighed ($p = 0.0011$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (G) Representative images of spleens from different groups. (H) Spleens isolated from mice were weighed ($p = 0.0046$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (I) Histological analysis of tumors was shown by HE staining (scale bars, 100 μ m) ($p = 0.0161$) Immunohistochemical analysis of Ki67 in tumors (scale bars, 100 μ m) ($p = 0.0014$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). Data information: Data with error bars are represented as mean $\pm$ SEM. Tumor growth curves were analyzed by two-way ANOVA. Other data were analyzed using unpaired Student's t-test. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$ as determined by unpaired Student's t-test or two-way ANOVA.

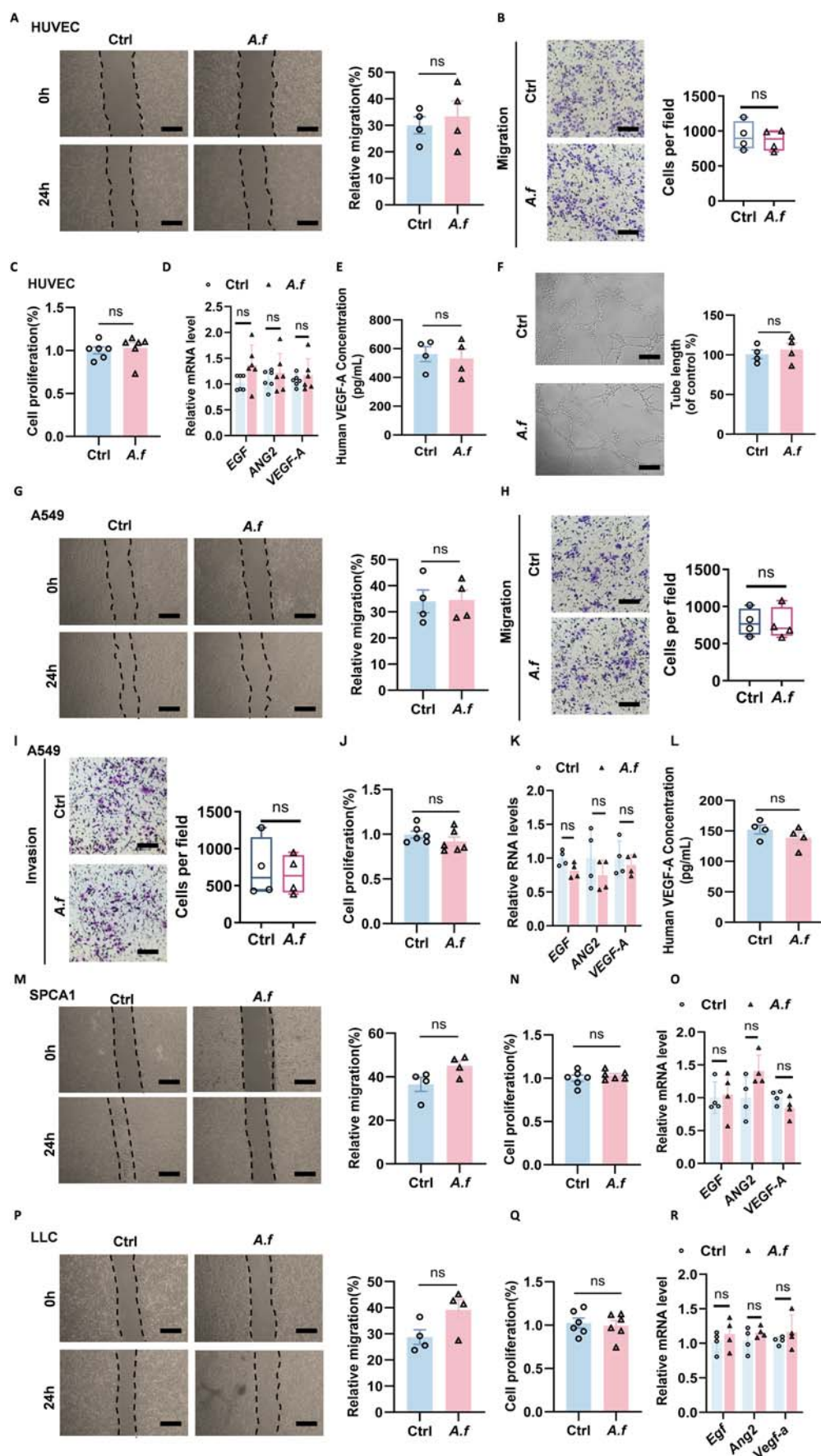


Figure EV2. *A. fumigatus* has no effect on migratory, cell viability and pro-angiogenic function of endothelial cells and lung cancer cells.

Heat-inactivated *A. fumigatus* (MOI = 2) was used in the co-culture with HUVEC cells. (A, B) The migratory ability of HUVEC cells was examined by scratch assay (scale bars, 500 μ m) ($p = 0.6314$) and Transwell migration assay (scale bars, 200 μ m) ($p = 0.6492$). For Ctrl in box plot: Minima = 728; Maxima = 1197; Centre = 895; Box bounds = (774.5, 1083); Lower Whisker = 728; Upper Whisker = 1197; (25th percentile, 75th percentile) = (774.5, 1083). For *A. f* in box plot: Minima = 700; Maxima = 1001; Centre = 885.5; Box bounds = (741, 995); Lower Whisker = 700; Upper Whisker = 1001 (25th percentile, 75th percentile) = (741, 995) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). (C) The cell viability of HUVEC cells was detected using CCK8 ($p = 0.3095$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (D) The gene expression related to angiogenesis was detected by qPCR. (EGF: $p = 0.0649$; ANG2: $p = 0.4822$; VEGF-A: $p = 0.4939$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (E) ELISA analysis of VEGF-A secretion in the culture supernatant ($p = 0.7275$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). (F) The lumen-forming capacity of HUVEC cells was examined by tube-formation assay (scale bars, 200 μ m) ($p = 0.5628$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). Heat-inactivated *A. fumigatus* (MOI = 2) was used in the co-culture with A549 cells. (G, H) The migratory ability was examined by scratch assay (scale bars, 500 μ m) ($p = 0.9337$) and Transwell migration assay (scale bars, 200 μ m) ($p = 0.9053$). For Ctrl in box plot: Minima = 594; Maxima = 1019; Centre = 764; Box bounds = (649, 921.5); Lower Whisker = 594; Upper Whisker = 1019; (25th percentile, 75th percentile) = (649, 921.5). For *A. f* in box plot: Minima = 583; Maxima = 1078; Centre = 705; Box bounds = (632.5, 903); Lower Whisker = 583; Upper Whisker = 1078; (25th percentile, 75th percentile) = (632.5, 903) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). (I) The invasion ability was examined by Transwell invasion assay (scale bars, 200 μ m) ($p = 0.7494$). For Ctrl in box plot: Minima = 428; Maxima = 1284; Centre = 608; Box bounds = (438, 1026); Lower Whisker = 428; Upper Whisker = 1284; (25th percentile, 75th percentile) = (438, 1026). For *A. f* in box plot: Minima = 387; Maxima = 951; Centre = 634.5; Box bounds = (430.5, 873); Lower Whisker = 387; Upper Whisker = 951; (25th percentile, 75th percentile) = (430.5, 873) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). (J) The cell viability was assessed by CCK8 ($p = 0.2511$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). (K) The gene expression related to angiogenesis was detected by qPCR (EGF: $p = 0.0565$; ANG2: $p = 0.3317$; VEGF-A: $p = 0.5663$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). (L) VEGF-A secretion was analyzed by ELISA ($p = 0.2824$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). Heat-inactivated *A. fumigatus* (MOI = 2) was used in the co-culture with SPCA1 cells. (M) The migratory ability was examined by scratch assay (scale bars, 500 μ m) ($p = 0.0735$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). (N) The cell viability was assessed by CCK8 ($p = 0.4244$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (O) The gene expression related to angiogenesis was detected by qPCR. (EGF: $p = 0.6857$; ANG2: $p = 0.0862$; VEGF-A: $p = 0.1387$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). Heat-inactivated *A. fumigatus* (MOI = 2) was used in the co-culture with LLC cells. (P) The migratory ability was examined by scratch test (scale bars, 500 μ m) ($p = 0.0747$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). (Q) The cell viability was assessed by CCK8 ($p = 0.7188$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (R) The gene expression related to angiogenesis was detected by qPCR. (Egf: $p = 0.4545$; Ang2: $p = 0.2894$; Vegf-a: $p = 0.3724$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). Data information: Data with error bars are represented as mean $\pm$ SEM. Normality was assessed using the Shapiro-Wilk test. Two-group comparisons used the unpaired t-test (normal) or Mann-Whitney U test (non-normal). ns indicating no significance.

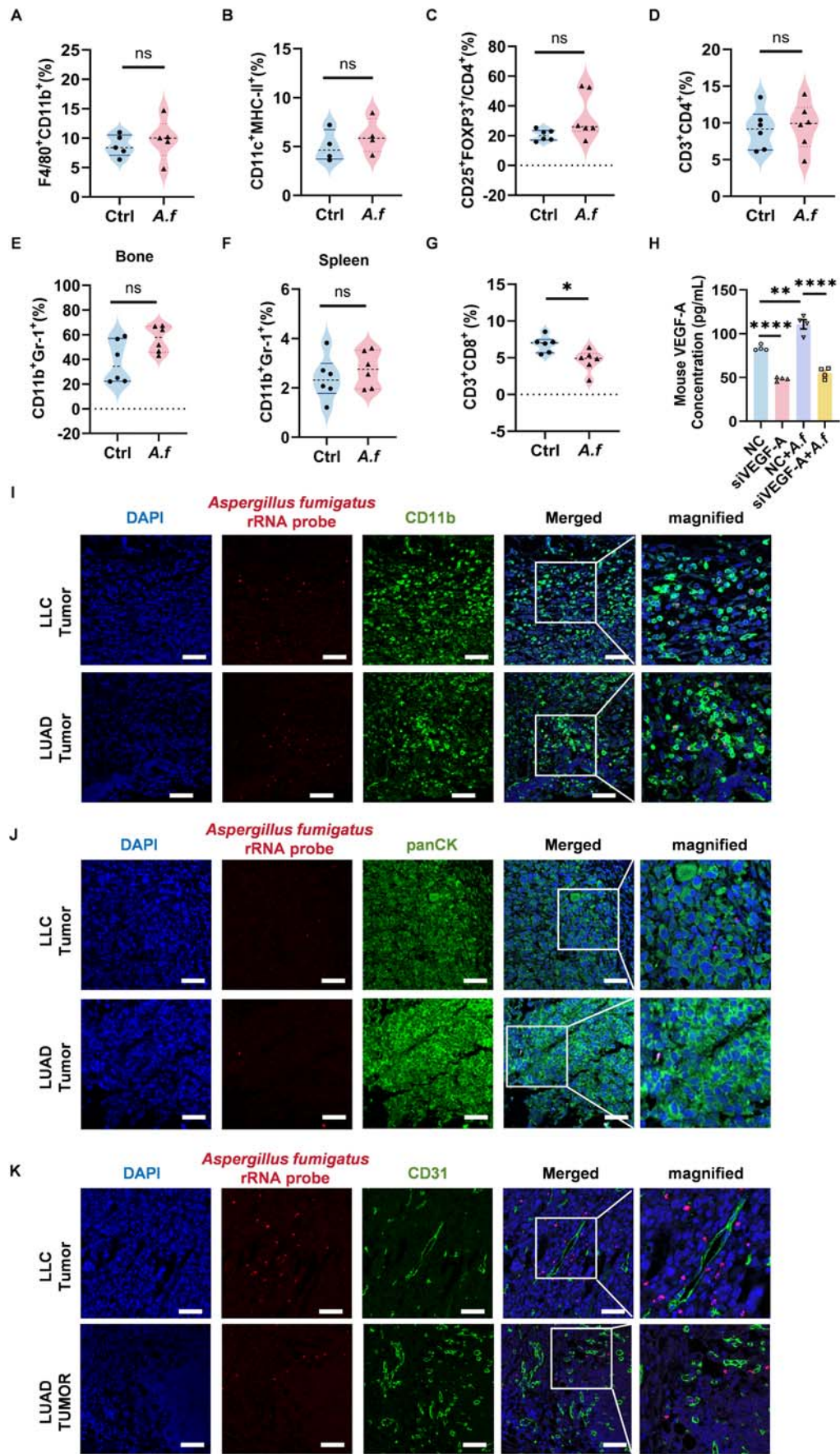


Figure EV3. *A. fumigatus* specifically co-localizes with CD11b⁺ myeloid cells without altering CD4⁺ T cells, macrophages, DCs or Tregs in the tumor microenvironment.

(A–C) The percentage of macrophages (F4/80⁺ and CD11b⁺ cells) ($p = 0.5584$), dendritic cells (CD11c⁺MHCII⁺) ($p = 0.4231$) and Treg cells (CD25⁺FOXP3⁺CD4⁺) ($p = 0.0772$) in tumor tissues were detected by flow cytometry ($n = 4$ –6 biological replicates). (D) Proportions of CD3⁺CD4⁺ T cells ($p = 0.7962$) in tumor tissues were detected by flow cytometry. ($n = 6$ biological replicates) (E, F) Proportions of total MDSCs (CD11b⁺Gr-1⁺) in bone and spleen tissues were detected by flow cytometry (Bone: $p = 0.0506$) (Spleen: $p = 0.4595$) ($n = 5$ –6 biological replicates). (G) Proportions of CD3⁺CD8⁺ T cells in tumor tissues were detected by flow cytometry ($p = 0.0154$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (H) VEGF-A secretion in the culture supernatant of MDSCs was measured by ELISA. (NC and siVEGF-A: $p < 0.0001$; NC and NC + A. f : $p = 0.0027$; NC + A. f and siVEGF-A + A. f : $p < 0.0001$) ($n = 4$ biological replicates). (I–K) Representative FISH images showing *A. fumigatus* (red) and CD11b⁺ myeloid cells (green), panCK⁺ tumor cells (green), CD31⁺ endothelium (green). Nuclei counterstained with DAPI (blue) (scale bars, 50 μ m). Data information: Data with error bars are represented as mean $\pm$ SEM. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, **** $p < 0.0001$ as determined by unpaired Student's t-test. ns indicating no significance.

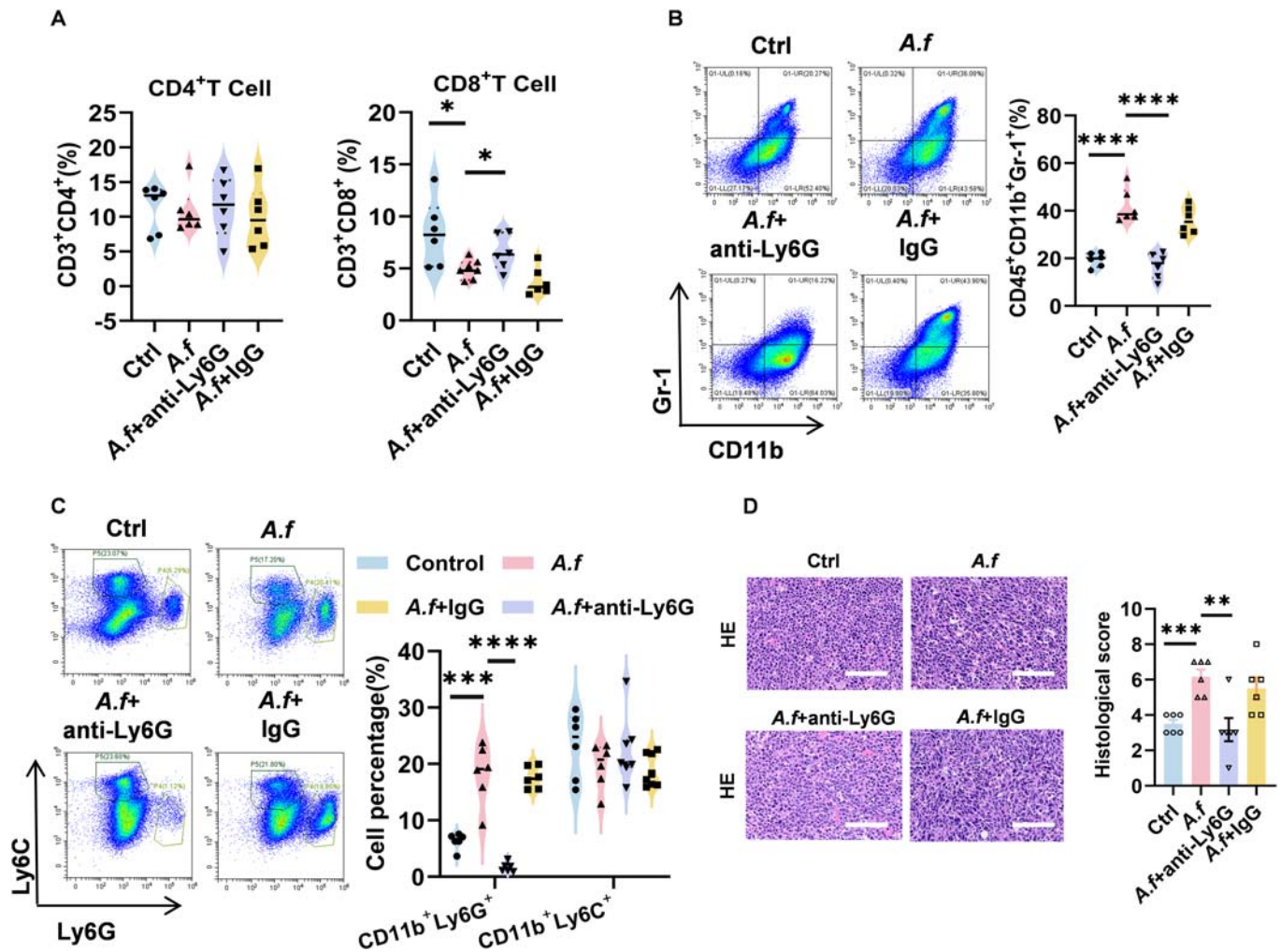


Figure EV4. G-MDSCs reduction enhances the immune response in tumor-bearing mice treated with peritumor *A. fumigatus* injections.

(A) Proportions of T cell subgroups (CD3⁺CD4⁺ T cells and CD3⁺CD8⁺ T cells) in tumor tissues were detected by flow cytometry. (CD8⁺ T cells: Ctrl and A. f: $p = 0.0181$. A. f and A. f + antiLy6G: $p = 0.0439$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (B, C) Proportions of total MDSCs (CD45⁺CD11b⁺Gr-1⁺), G-MDSCs (CD11b⁺Ly6G⁺) and M-MDSCs (CD11b⁺Ly6C⁺) in tumor tissues were detected by flow cytometry (MDSCs: Ctrl and A. f: $p < 0.0001$. A. f and A. f + antiLy6G: $p < 0.0001$; G-MDSCs: Ctrl and A. f: $p = 0.0003$. A. f and A. f + antiLy6G: $p < 0.0001$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (D) HE histological analysis of tumors was shown by HE staining (scale bars, 100 μ m) (Ctrl and A. f: $p = 0.0002$. A. f and A. f + antiLy6G: $p = 0.0045$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). Data information: Data with error bars are represented as mean $\pm$ SEM. Normality was assessed using the Shapiro-Wilk test. Two-group comparisons used the unpaired t-test (normal) or Mann-Whitney U test (non-normal). * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$ as determined by unpaired Student's t-test or Mann-Whitney U test.

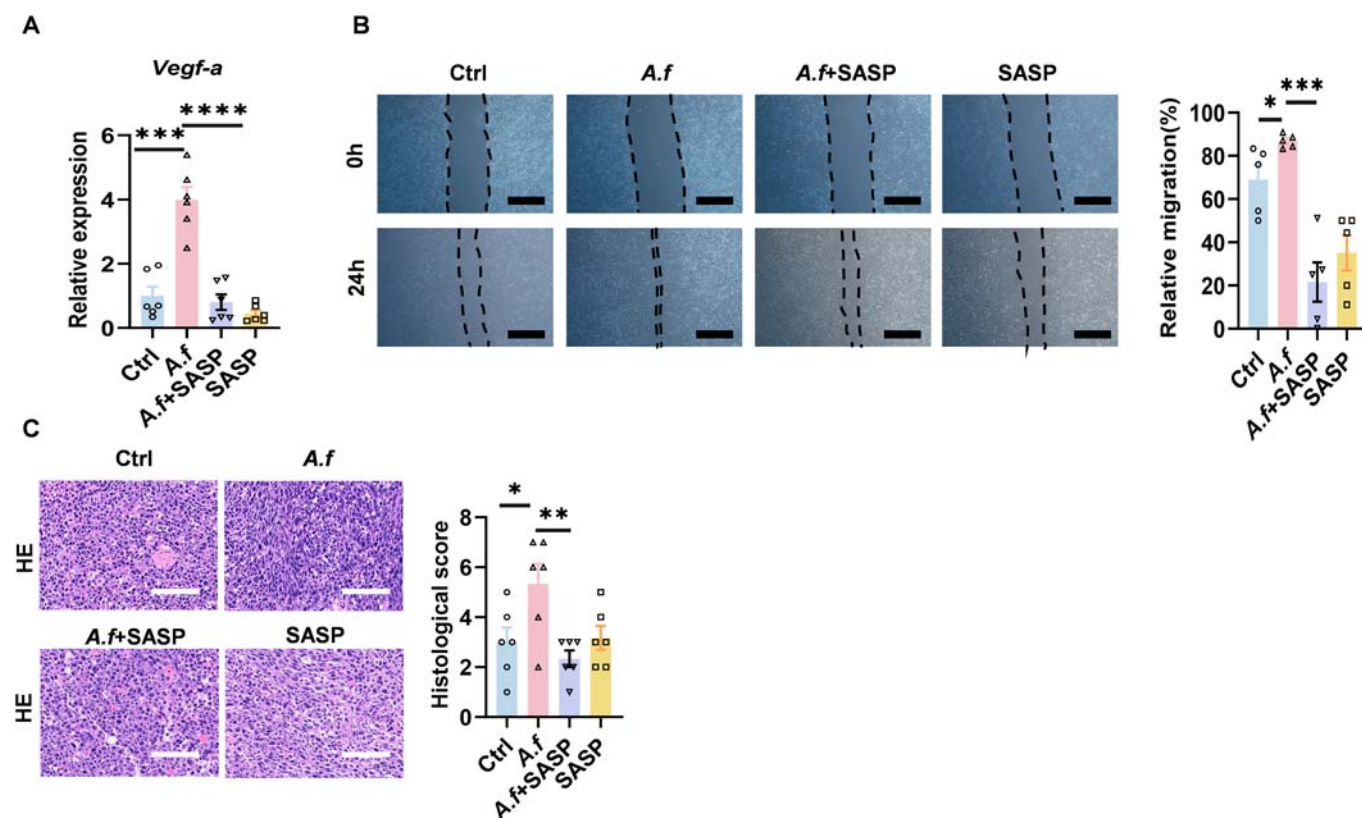


Figure EV5. SLC7A11 mediates *A. fumigatus*-induced pro-Angiogenic function of MDSCs.

The inhibitor of slc7a11, sulfasalazine (SASP) (2 μ M), was added to the supernatant of the culture medium of MDSCs. Medium supernatants from MDSCs were collected and used as conditioned medium for HUVEC cells. (A) The gene expression of *Vegf-a* in MDSCs was detected by qPCR (Ctrl and A. f: $p = 0.0001$; A. f and A. f + SASP: $p < 0.0001$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). (B) The migratory ability of HUVEC cells were assessed (scale bars, 500 μ m) (Ctrl and A. f: $p = 0.0135$; A. f and A. f + SASP: $p = 0.0001$) ($n = 5$ biological replicates). (C) SASP (100 mg/kg) was injected intraperitoneally daily in the LLC mouse model. HE histological analysis of tumors was shown by HE staining (scale bars, 100 μ m) (Ctrl and A. f: $p = 0.0400$; A. f and A. f + SASP: $p = 0.0062$) ($n = 6$ biological replicates). Data information: Data with error bars are represented as mean $\pm$ SEM. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$ as determined by unpaired Student's t-test.