

## *Supplementary Material*

**Supplementary Table S1.** Plasma levels of inflammatory mediators comparing controls and NVAf patients.

<b>Inflammatory mediators (pg/mL)</b>	<b>Controls (N = 50)</b>	<b>NVAf (N = 55)</b>	<b><i>p</i> value</b>
IL-2	1.26 (0.37)	3.04 (1.38)	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
IL-4	1.21 (0.30)	2.99 (1.63)	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
IL-6	1.72 (1.05)	7.96 (8.78)	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
IL-10	0.87 (0.44)	2.40 (1.30)	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
TNF	1.25 (0.44)	3.06 (1.60)	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
IFN- $\gamma$	1.12 (0.39)	2.86 (1.44)	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
IL-8	3.60 (1.60)	3.43 (2.14)	0.182
RANTES	2031.36 (2106.59)	2331.56 (2088)	0.987
MIG	94.45 (91.39)	160.95 (184.65)	<b>0.032</b>
MCP-1	59.73 (42.50)	65.60 (65.65)	0.902
IP-10	105.72 (74.20)	128.67 (110.38)	<b>0.008</b>
TGF- $\beta$	1.68 (0.86)	1.48 (0.75)	0.476
ADAMTS13	2.01 (0.64)	2.18 (1.13)	0.226
GDF-15	0.01 (0.02)	0.03 (0.09)	<b>0.006</b>
Myoglobin	0.58 (0.66)	0.61 (0.49)	0.953
sICAM-1	115.74 (1166.96)	414.88 (1515.95)	0.070
MPO	0.20 (0.34)	0.25 (0.42)	<b>0.005</b>
p-selectin	0.25 (0.18)	0.28 (0.07)	0.340
NGAL	1.28 (0.84)	1.49 (0.83)	<b>0.042</b>
sVCAM-1	6.22 (4.68)	6.86 (4.84)	0.594
SAA	82.85 (214.81)	176.78 (1256.82)	<b>0.027</b>

Mann-Whitney *U* test were performed for non-normal continuous variables (values expressed as median and interquartile range). ADAMTS13 = disintegrin and metalloproteinase with thrombospondin type 1 motif, 13; GDF = growth differentiation factor; IFN- $\gamma$  = Interferon-gamma; IL = interleukin; IP-10 = interferon-gamma-induced protein; MCP = monocyte chemoattractant protein; MIG = monokine induced by interferon-gamma; MPO = myeloperoxidase; NGAL = neutrophil gelatinase-associated lipocalin; RANTES = regulated on activation, normal T cell expressed and secreted; SAA = serum amyloid A; sICAM = soluble intercellular adhesion molecule; sVCAM-1 = soluble vascular cell adhesion protein; TGF- $\beta$  = transforming growth factor-beta; TNF = tumor necrosis factor. Statistically significant differences between groups are indicated in bold fonts, with a significance level of  $p < 0.05$ .

**Supplementary Table S2.** Univariate logistic regression for inflammatory mediators.

Inflammatory mediators (pg/mL)	OR (95% CI)	<i>p</i> value
IL-2	3.63 x 10 <sup>5</sup> (91.15-1.45 x 10 <sup>9</sup> )	<b>0.002</b>
IL-4	7.05 x 10 <sup>3</sup> (80.53-6.19 x 10 <sup>5</sup> )	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
IL-6	1.74 (1.36-2.22)	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
IL-10	13.34 (4.85-36.7)	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
TNF	11.03 (4.41-27.6)	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
IFN- $\gamma$	8.74 x 10 <sup>3</sup> (89.87-8.5 x 10 <sup>5</sup> )	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>
MIG	1.01 (0.99-1.0)	0.346
IP-10	1.01 (1.00-1.01)	<b>0.016</b>
GDF-15	49.59 (0.18-1.41 x 10 <sup>4</sup> )	0.176
MPO	0.97 (0.73-1.28)	0.834
NGAL	1.43 (0.77-2.65)	0.255
SAA	1.00 (1.00-1.00)	0.457

CI = confidence interval; GDF = growth differentiation factor; IFN- $\gamma$  = Interferon-gamma; IL = interleukin; IP-10 = interferon-gamma-induced protein; MIG = monokine induced by interferon-gamma; MPO = myeloperoxidase; NGAL = neutrophil gelatinase-associated lipocalin; OR = odds ratio; SAA = serum amyloid A; TNF = tumor necrosis factor. Statistically significant differences are indicated in bold fonts, with a significance level of  $p < 0.05$ .

**Table S3.** Validity of multivariate logistic regression models.

Inflammatory mediators (pg/mL)	Model 1				Model 2			
	$\chi^2$	df	<i>p</i> value	R <sup>2</sup> Nagelkerke	$\chi^2$	df	<i>p</i> value	R <sup>2</sup> Nagelkerke
IL-2	134.975	5	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.970	128.915	10	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	1.000
IL-4	126.114	5	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.938	128.915	10	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	1.000
IL-6	67.690	5	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.639	87.653	10	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.814
IL-10	72.542	5	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.670	68.010	10	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.692
TNF	77.671	5	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.702	79.315	10	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.765
IFN- $\gamma$	130.408	5	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.954	128.915	10	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	1.000
IP-10	40.672	5	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.432	46.941	10	<b>&lt; 0.001</b>	0.528

IFN- $\gamma$  = Interferon-gamma; IL = interleukin; IP-10 = interferon-gamma-induced protein; TNF = tumor necrosis factor. Statistically significant differences are indicated in bold fonts, with a significance level of  $p < 0.05$ .