

Figure S1. Secretion of interleukin-6 (IL6) and monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 (MCP-1) in response to Asprosin and LPS treatment. THP-1 macrophages were treated with increasing concentrations of asprosin (1 nM, 10 nM, and 100 nM), 100 ng/mL lipopolysaccharide (LPS) or both 100 ng/mL and 100 nM asprosin for 4 hours and 24 hours. Cell supernatants were collected and (A) IL6 and, (B) MCP-1 concentrations were measured by ELISA. Data were analysed by two-way ANOVA and Tukey's multiple comparisons test (compared to respective controls). Data are presented as mean±SEM; n=3.

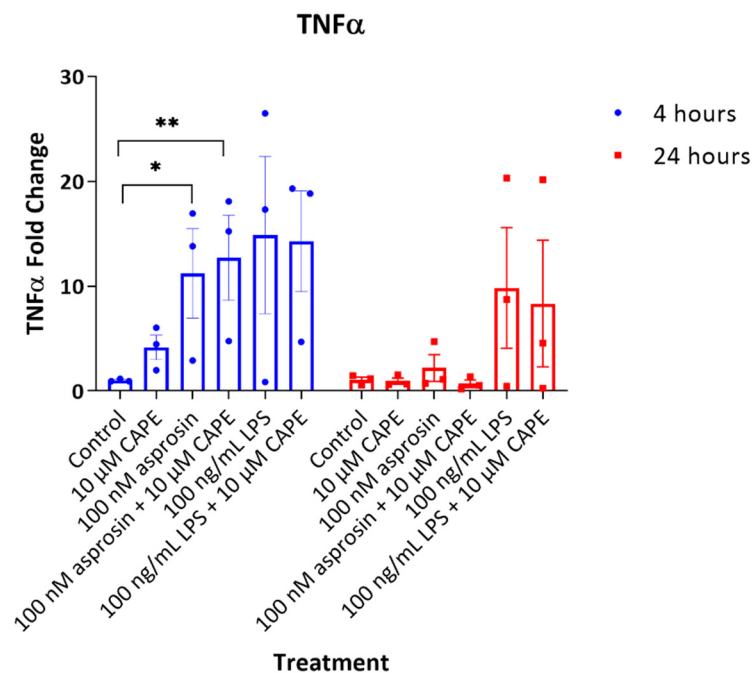


Figure S2. Tumour necrosis factor alpha (TNFα) gene expression with caffeic acid phenethyl ester (CAPE) treatment. THP-1 macrophages were treated with 10 μM CAPE (an inhibitor of NFκB activation), 100 nM asprosin, 10 μM CAPE and 100 nM asprosin, 100 ng/mL lipopolysaccharide (LPS) or both 100 ng/mL LPS and 10 μM CAPE for 4 hours and 24 hours. Gene expression of TNFα was measured by RT-qPCR; Data were analysed by two-way ANOVA and Tukey's multiple comparisons test. Data are presented as mean±SEM; n=3; *p<0.05; **p<0.01.

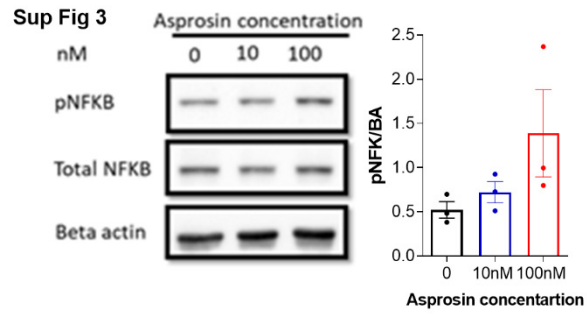


Figure S3. Phosphorylation of NFκB in THP-1 macrophages following asprosin treatment. Phosphorylated and total NFκB were determined by western blot analysis in THP-1 macrophages treated with 10 nM or 100 nM asprosin for 15 minutes. Beta actin was used a loading control and relative intensity was determined by densitometry. The experiments were repeated in three independent cultures and data were analysed using one-way ANOVA and Tukey's multiple comparisons test.