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# Summary

| Infection by helminth parasites is associated with amelioration of allergic            |
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| reactivity, but mechanistic insights into this association are lacking. Products       |
| secreted by the mouse parasite Heligmosomoides polygyrus suppress type 2               |
| (allergic) immune responses through interference in the interleukin-33 (IL-33)         |
| pathway. Here, we identified <i>H. polygyrus</i> Alarmin Release Inhibitor (HpARI), an |
| IL-33-suppressive 26-kDa protein, containing 3 predicted complement control            |
| protein (CCP) modules. In vivo, recombinant HpARI abrogated IL-33, group 2             |
| innate lymphoid cell (ILC2) and eosinophilic responses to Alternaria allergen          |
| administration, and diminished eosinophilic responses to Nippostrongylus               |
| brasiliensis, increasing parasite burden. HpARI bound directly to both mouse and       |
| human IL-33 (in the cytokine's activated state), and also to nuclear DNA via its N-    |
| terminal CCP module pair (CCP1/2), tethering active IL-33 within necrotic cells,       |
| preventing its release, and forestalling initiation of type 2 allergic responses.      |
| Thus, HpARI employs a novel molecular strategy to suppress type 2 immunity in          |
| both infection and allergy.                                                            |

Keywords: IL-33, helminth, parasite, allergy, asthma, immunomodulation

# Introduction

| 56 | Infection with helminth parasites negatively correlates with prevalence of         |
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| 57 | allergic disease, and parasitic infection is associated with immunosuppression     |
| 58 | (Maizels and McSorley, 2016). Many researchers, ourselves included, have           |
| 59 | demonstrated that helminths release immunomodulatory proteins to control           |
| 60 | anti-parasite immune responses and maintain their persistence in the host          |
| 61 | (Maizels and McSorley, 2016). We previously showed that the excretory-             |
| 62 | secretory products of the mouse intestinal parasite Heligmosomoides polygyrus      |
| 63 | (HES) suppress allergic responses in mouse models of asthma (Buck et al., 2014;    |
| 64 | McSorley et al., 2015; McSorley et al., 2014; McSorley et al., 2012). HES          |
| 65 | administration blocks the interleukin-33 (IL-33) response to inhaled Alternaria    |
| 66 | (fungal) allergen (McSorley et al., 2014) leading to reduced type 2 innate         |
| 67 | lymphoid cell (ILC2) responses and abrogating lung pathology.                      |
| 68 | IL33 and its receptor (IL1RL1) are both among the 10 genes most strongly linked    |
| 69 | to allergic sensitization (Bonnelykke et al., 2013) and asthma (Bonnelykke et al., |
| 70 | 2014; Moffatt et al., 2010) in genome-wide association studies. IL-33              |
| 71 | concentration is increased in the lungs of severe asthmatics (Castanhinha et al.,  |
| 72 | 2015; Saglani et al., 2013), correlating negatively with lung function             |
| 73 | (Christianson et al., 2015). Respiratory viral infections are implicated in both   |
| 74 | initiation and exacerbation of asthma, an effect which is also associated with IL- |
| 75 | 33 release (Jackson et al., 2014; Saravia et al., 2015).                           |
| 76 | The IL-33 receptor (ST2, IL1RL1, IL-33R) is expressed by a wide range of cells,    |
| 77 | notably T cells, macrophages, endothelial cells, epithelial cells and ILC2 (Cayrol |
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responses in a range of diseases including asthma, atopic dermatitis, food allergy, COPD, eosinophilic inflammatory bowel disease, eosinophilic esophagitis and age-related macular degeneration (De Salvo et al., 2016; Liew et al., 2016; Simon et al., 2015; Tordesillas et al., 2014). IL-33 is a member of the IL-1 family of cytokines. It is stored preformed in the nucleus bound to heterochromatin, and its dominant function is as an alarmin cytokine. Active IL-33 is released from the nucleus under conditions of necrosis, while during apoptosis active caspases cleave IL-33 within its receptor-binding domain, abolishing activity (Lefrancais and Cayrol, 2012). Although the full-length, 30 kDa form of IL-33 is functional, the activity of IL-33 is increased 10-fold through cleavage between the DNAbinding and receptor-binding domains by proteases such as calpain-2 (Hristova et al., 2015), neutrophil elastase, cathepsin G (Lefrancais et al., 2012) and mast cell tryptase (Lefrançais et al., 2014) releasing 18-21 kDa mature forms. Active IL-33 is released in a reduced form, which under physiological conditions rapidly oxidizes, forming new disulfide bonds and changing conformation, rendering it unable to bind to the IL-33R beyond a short temporal and spatial range (Cohen et al., 2015). Here, we identified H. polygyrus Alarmin Release Inhibitor (HpARI), a HESderived recombinant protein that can replicate the IL-33-suppressive effects of total HES. HpARI bound directly to active murine and human IL-33 and nuclear DNA. This dual binding blocked the interaction of IL-33 with its receptor, and tethered IL-33 within necrotic cells, preventing its release, and blocking allergic response initiation. Thus, HpARI prevents intuition of parasite-toxic IL-33-

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| 102 | mediated type 2 immune responses and suppresses the development of allergic |  |  |  |  |  |
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### Results

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In vitro suppression of IL-33 by HES

Previous studies established that HES ablates detectable IL-33 in the bronchoalveolar milieu after *Alternaria* allergen administration, suppressing downstream allergic responses (McSorley et al., 2014). To further investigate the IL-33-suppressive activity of HES, we developed an *in vitro* assay for IL-33 release: a single cell suspension of naïve total murine lung cells cultured for 1 h in the presence of *Alternaria* allergen and HES. In this assay, HES markedly reduced the amount of IL-33 in culture supernatants, as detected by ELISA (Figure 1A). IL-33 is released from lung epithelial cells under conditions of necrosis, whereas activated caspases cleave IL-33 within the IL-1-like cytokine domain, inactivating IL-33 under conditions of apoptosis (Lefrançais and Cayrol, 2012). We therefore hypothesized that HES could be activating caspase and/or apoptosis pathways. Propidium iodide and annexin V staining showed that cells incubated with Alternaria allergen were highly necrotic and that this was unaffected by the presence of HES (Figure 1B). Necrosis induced by freeze-thaw treatment of lung cells also resulted in substantial IL-33 release, which again was abrogated by treatment of cells with HES immediately prior to freezing (Figure 1C). Therefore we conclude that HES suppression of IL-33 does not depend on activation of the apoptosis pathway, but instead acts on pre-formed IL-33 released from necrotic cells.

Identification and characterization of HpARI protein

A process of fractionation, screening and proteomic analysis of HES was used to identify candidate IL-33-suppressive proteins. Gel filtration and anion exchange FPLC were used to fractionate HES by size and charge, respectively. IL-33 suppressive activity peaked around size fraction 11 (Figure 2A) and charge fraction 25 (Figure 2B). Each size and charge fraction was subjected to trypsin digestion followed by liquid chromatography-electrospray tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS), and the exponentially modified protein abundance index (emPAI) value for each HES protein in every fraction was calculated, and compared to the profile of IL-33 suppression. By size fractionation, 220 proteins were found with emPAI values which peaked around size fraction 11 (peak value in fractions 10-12), while 371 proteins were found with emPAIs which peaked around charge fraction 25 (peak value in fractions 23-27), 54 of which were shared between the two fractionation techniques. Proteins were prioritized wherein more than one peptide was detected in size fraction 11 and charge fraction 25, resulting in a short-list of 25 candidate proteins (Supplementary Table 1). The emPAI values for each of these 25 candidates for all size and charge fractions was then manually compared to the IL-33 suppression profile (Supplementary Figure 1A), and 4 candidates were selected for initial screening (Supplementary Figure 1B). The 4 candidate IL-33 suppressive genes were transfected into HEK293T cells for expression, and screened for suppression of the IL-33 signal in vitro. Of the 4 candidates only Hp\_I08176\_IG02172\_L1157 (candidate "D" in **Figure 2C**) significantly suppressed IL-33; this protein was consequently renamed as H. polygyrus Alarmin Release Inhibitor (HpARI).

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The *HpARI* gene is made up of 7 exons, encoding a 251-aa protein including a 16aa signal peptide motif (Supplementary Figure 2A), with a deduced mature molecular weight of 26 kDa. The mature protein contains three predicted Complement Control Protein (CCP)-like modules (also known as Short Consensus Repeats (SCRs) or sushi-domains, PFAM00084) (Figure 2D). CCP1-3 all contain features of a CCP module such as the four consensus Cysteine residues (Cys<sup>I</sup> to Cys<sup>IV</sup>, consistent with formation of disulfide bonds in a Cys<sup>I</sup>-Cys<sup>III</sup> and Cys<sup>II</sup>-Cys<sup>IV</sup> pattern), the Trp/Leu residue between Cys<sup>III</sup> and Cys<sup>IV</sup> and other structurally important residues typical of a CCP module (Figure 2D-E and **Supplementary materials and methods**)(Kirkitadze and Barlow, 2001; Soares et al., 2005). Compared to archetypal CCP modules (Soares and Barlow, 2005), all three are atypical in part with divergent sequence features, including an absence of conserved Proline residues after Cys<sup>I</sup> in CCP1, and atypical insertions of ~20 amino acid residues between CysI and CysII in CCP 2 and CCP3, which are unique compared to previously identified CCP domains. Each CCP module is encoded by two exons with the second exon boundary in each case falling between adjacent predicted CCP modules (i.e. between Cys<sup>IV</sup> of one module and Cys<sup>I</sup> of the next) lending further support to the discerned domain boundaries (Figure 2E and Supplementary Figure 2A). The three predicted HpARI CCP module sequences were modelled individually based upon their top ranked CCP module template structures. Each CCP module 3-D model is characterised by a β-sheet framework, held together by two disulfide bridges. Other key structural features such as the location of the buried

Trp/Leu, hypervariable loop, and potential N-glycosylation sites are indicated

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along with the relative positions of the novel insertions in CCP2 and CCP3, which could not be modelled on conventional experimentally determined CCP module structures (**Figure 2F**).

In vitro and in vivo IL-33 suppression by HpARI

- Recombinant mature 6-His and Myc-tagged HpARI protein was purified by metal chelating chromatography (**Supplementary Figure 2B**), and tested for IL-33 suppression *in vitro*. HpARI was active at <10 ng/ml, while HES required an approximately 50-fold higher concentration for a similar effect (**Figure 3A**). The IL-33-suppressive activity of HpARI in response to *Alternaria* culture or freezethaw was ablated on heat-treatment, as with HES (**Supplementary Figure 3A**, **B**).
  - HpARI also effectively suppressed IL-33 detected in bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) fluids in response to *Alternaria* allergen *in vivo* (**Figure 3B**). Again this effect replicated that of HES (McSorley et al., 2014) and suppression was ablated when HpARI was proteolytically cleaved and heat-treated, ruling out a role for non-protein contaminants. In addition, the IL-33-suppressive effects of HpARI could pre-condition airway tissues, substantially reducing the IL-33 response to *Alternaria* allergen 24 h later, with a degree of protection in some animals even after 72 h (**Figure 3C**). Thus, HpARI appears to be a critical IL-33-suppressive factor in HES.
- 195 Suppression of in vivo type 2 responses by HpARI
- Alternaria exposure induces a rapid T cell-independent eosinophilia within 24 h
   of administration. This response is driven by ILC2 cytokine release, and is

critically dependent on IL-33 (Bartemes et al., 2012). Recombinant HpARI coadministration with *Alternaria* allergen abrogated BAL eosinophilia (**Figure 3D**) and lung ILC2 IL-5 (Figure 3E) and IL-13 production (Figure 3F), 24 h later, again replicating the effects observed with total HES. IL-13-eGFP reporter mice were used to assess ILC2 cytokine responses in the absence of PMA and Ionomycin stimulation, confirming profound suppression of IL-13 reporter expression in ICOS+CD90.2+IL-33R+CD127+CD45+lineage- ILC2s by HpARI (Supplementary Figure 3C-E). HpARI was administered in a T cell-dependent model of asthma, in which OVA protein is first co-administered with *Alternaria*, and antigen-specific type 2 responses recalled 2 weeks later by challenge with OVA protein alone (McSorley et al., 2014). Again HpARI replicated the suppressive effects of HES on BAL eosinophilia and lung ILC2 responses (Figure 4A-C). Furthermore, this suppression led to significantly abrogated lung resistance and compliance at challenge (Figure 4D, E), as well as reduced inflammation and mucus production assessed by histological staining (Figure 4F-H). Finally, the role of HpARI in parasite infections was addressed using Nippostrongylus brasiliensis infection, a parasite which (unlike H. polygyrus) migrates through the lung and leads to early IL-33-dependent type 2 responses (Hung et al., 2013). Similarly to the phenotype seen in an IL-33-deficient mouse, HpARI administration did not affect worm burden at early timepoints, but increased numbers of adult parasites found in the intestinal lumen at day 6 (Figure 4I-J). This suppression of parasite rejection was associated with reduced BAL eosinophilia, reaching significance at day 6 (Figure 4K). Thus, HpARI

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abrogates parasite-induced, IL-33-dependent type 2 immune responses, abrogating parasite ejection.

HpARI binding to IL-33

We hypothesised that HpARI could act by binding directly to IL-33. To investigate this, we incubated Myc-tagged HpARI with murine lung cell homogenates, and immunoprecipitated with anti-c-Myc antibody bound to protein G-coated beads. HpARI immunoprecipitated a clear band at ~18 kDa in Myc-tagged complexes eluted from anti-c-Myc-coated, but not isotype control-coated beads, as revealed by anti-IL-33 Western blotting (Figure 5A). Unbound material (supernatants from co-immunoprecipitation) showed undetectable or very faint bands for IL-33 under these conditions, reflecting the manner in which immunoprecipitation concentrates ligand sufficiently for detection. No band could be detected for full-length IL-33 (30 kDa) in these experiments (data not shown).

Despite human and murine IL-33 sharing only 52% amino acid identity, we found that human IL-33 also co-immunoprecipitates with HpARI after incubation

found that human IL-33 also co-immunoprecipitates with HpARI after incubation with human lung homogenates, seen as an  $\sim$ 18 kDa band corresponding to mature human IL-33 (**Figure 5B**). In this case, unbound human IL-33 could be detected in supernatants from co-immunoprecipitation or control conditions, also at  $\sim$ 18 kDa.

To biochemically characterise the binding of human and mouse IL-33 with HpARI, we assessed the interactions between these proteins by surface plasmon

- resonance (SPR) (**Figure 5C-D**). The equilibrium dissociation constant (K<sub>d</sub>) of
- 245 HpARI for murine IL-33 is  $0.56 \pm 0.1$  nM, and  $260 \pm 13$  nM for human IL-33.
- 246 Oxidation of IL-33
- Recently, it was shown that IL-33 is released in an active reduced form, which is
- 248 quickly oxidized (<4 h after release) and inactivated under physiological
- conditions (Cohen et al., 2015). Commercially-available IL-33 ELISA kits do not
- 250 differentiate between the reduced and oxidized forms. Therefore we decided to
- investigate whether HpARI preferentially bound to reduced or oxidized IL-33.
- 252 To attain a source of oxidized and reduced IL-33, we subjected lung cells to
- 253 freeze and thaw-mediated necrosis, harvested IL-33-containing supernatants
- immediately post-thaw, and incubated these at 37°C for 1-4 h to oxidize IL-33
- 255 (Cohen et al., 2015). When HpARI was added to supernatants directly post-thaw,
- or up to 2 h later, it was able to significantly reduce the IL-33 signal as measured
- by ELISA, whereas by 4 h post-thaw, no effect of HpARI could be seen (**Figure 5E**)
- and Supplementary Figure 4A). Therefore we hypothesized that HpARI binds
- only to active (reduced) IL-33.
- 260 HpARI co-immunoprecipitation experiments were then repeated with either
- untreated recombinant murine IL-33 (rmIL-33) or rmIL-33 which had been
- oxidized by incubation for 24 h at 37°C in tissue culture medium. Eluted
- 263 complexes were run on non-reducing SDS-PAGE gels to distinguish reduced and
- oxidized IL-33 by their differential migration under non-reducing conditions, the
- 265 more compact oxidized form migrating more rapidly (Cohen et al., 2015). A
- strong bias for binding of HpARI to the reduced form could be seen, with

- 267 unbound supernatants containing the oxidized form, while no unbound reduced
- 268 IL-33 could be detected (**Figure 5F**).
- 269 Co-immunoprecipitation was repeated with recombinant human IL-33 (rhIL-33),
- either untreated or oxidized under the same conditions as applied to murine IL-
- 33. Similarly to murine IL-33, rhIL-33 could only be bound by HpARI in its
- 272 reduced, active form, with oxidation of IL-33 abolishing its ability to be co-
- precipitated (**Figure 5G**).
- Finally, we ensured that the binding of HpARI is specific to IL-33, by binding
- studies with the closely-related IL-1 family cytokine IL-1 $\alpha$ . No binding of HpARI
- 276 to IL-1 $\alpha$  could be detected, either by co-immunoprecipitation (**Figure 5H**), or by
- 277 SPR (Supplementary Figure 4B). Thus, HpARI specifically and with high
- affinity, binds to the active, reduced form of IL-33.
- 279 *HpARI* prevents binding of active IL-33 to the IL-33 receptor.
- To investigate whether HpARI binding IL-33 consequently affected downstream
- responses to IL-33, we investigated the binding of IL-33 to its receptor ST2.
- 282 Recombinant mIL-33 was incubated alone or with HpARI, then
- immunoprecipitation was carried out using an ST2-Fc fusion protein bound to
- protein G-coated magnetic beads. The presence of HpARI completely blocked
- immunoprecipitation of rmIL-33 by ST2-Fc (Figure 6A), implying that HpARI
- prevents IL-33 from binding to its receptor.
- 287 Furthermore, when rmIL-33 was administered intranasally to mice, IL-33-
- 288 mediated ILC2 activation (measured by IL-5 and IL-13 production) was
- effectively ablated by HpARI co-administration (Figure 6B-C). Thus HpARI,

through binding to IL-33, can prevent the activation of ILC2s through ST2 ligation.

# HpARI inhibits release of IL-33

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As HpARI directly binds IL-33, it could also interfere with detection of the cytokine by ELISA through masking epitopes bound by assay antibodies. This could affect our early screening results, (Figures 1-3) as these are largely dependent on ELISA to measure concentrations of IL-33. To investigate the possibility of undetectable HpARI-bound IL-33 in BAL supernatants, IL-33 was measured by both ELISA and western blot, as the latter reduces, denatures and dissociates protein complexes. Mice were treated with Alternaria allergen and BAL taken 15 min later (at which timepoint the majority of IL-33 released is active and reduced (Cohen et al., 2015)), HpARI coadministration ablated the IL-33 signal by ELISA (**Figure 6D**), and significantly inhibited (but did not ablate) the IL-33 signal by western blot (Figure 6E), implying that although HpARI binding interferes with IL-33 detection by ELISA, IL-33 release is indeed diminished with HpARI administration. In contrast, HpARI could not affect the release of HMGB1, another nuclear-localised alarmin cytokine released on necrosis, (Supplementary Figure 4C), demonstrating that the effects of HpARI are specific to IL-33.

To translate these results to human biology, human lung explants were cultured for 1 h with HpARI, a system and timepoint in which lung explants spontaneously release reduced (active) human IL-33 (Cohen et al., 2015). Similarly to the murine system, a reduction in IL-33 signal was seen with HpARI coadministration, as measured by both ELISA and western blot (**Figure 6F, G**).

Furthermore, HpARI was administered with *Alternaria* to human IL-33 transgenic mice (Cohen et al., 2015), where it again suppressed human IL-33 release into the BAL (**Figure 6H, I**). Thus, HpARI reduces the release of both mouse and human IL-33.

## Immunofluorescent localization of HpARI

To further investigate the mechanism of action of HpARI, we utilised the CMT-64 mouse lung epithelial carcinoma cell line, which we found stores high amounts of IL-33 in the nucleus (**Supp Figure 5A**). Similarly to lung cells cultured *in vitro*, IL-33 is released from freeze-thawed CMT-64 cells, and this response is suppressed by HpARI (**Supp Figure 5B**). We then produced an HpARI\_mCherry fusion protein, allowing fluorescent localization of HpARI binding, while retaining IL-33-suppressive activity (**Supp Figure 5C**).

Although we found no HpARI\_mCherry staining of live CMT-64 cells, binding was evident in freeze-thaw treated necrotic cells (**Figure 7A**), where it bound in the nucleus (**Figure 7B**). Surprisingly, we found HpARI\_mCherry binds the nucleus independently of IL-33 expression, as similar staining could be seen in HEK293 cells (**Figure 7C**), from which no IL-33 could be detected (data not shown). As binding of HpARI in the nucleus of CMT-64 or HEK293 cells was ablated by addition of DNAse I (**Figure 7C**), we hypothesised that HpARI binds directly to DNA in the nucleus of necrotic epithelial cells.

*In vivo*, DNAse co-administration with *Alternaria* allergen abrogated HpARI suppression of IL-33 as measured by western blot, but not by ELISA, in the latter case presumably due to steric hindrance of ELISA antibodies on released HpARI-

337 bound IL-33 (**Figure 7D, E**). We conclude that dual binding of DNA and IL-33 by 338 HpARI results in retention of IL-33 within the necrotic cell nucleus, conferring a 339 tethering function on HpARI in addition to its ability to block IL-33 in the fluid 340 phase. 341 Binding of DNA by HpARI was confirmed using a gel shift assay, in which 342 addition of HpARI retarded the migration of linear plasmid DNA through an 343 agarose gel in a concentration-dependent manner (Figure 7F), and by 344 immunoprecipitation of plasmid DNA by HpARI (**Supp Fig 5D**). We hypothesised 345 that HpARI could bind DNA through electrostatic interactions, as shown for other 346 CCP module-containing proteins (Sjoberg et al., 2007; Trouw et al., 2005). When 347 the isoelectric point (pI) of each of the three CCP domains of HpARI were 348 calculated, CCP2 and CCP3 were found to be relatively acidic (pI 6.32 and 5.34 349 respectively), while CCP1 was strongly basic (pI 9.79). Indeed, an electrostatic 350 surface representation of our 3-D model of CCP1 (Supp Fig 5E), reveals clusters 351 of solvent-exposed positively charged residues that could serve as a binding site 352 for oppositely-charged (acidic) DNA. We produced truncated versions of HpARI, 353 either encoding CCP1/2 or CCP2/3. As predicted, we found that only the CCP1/2 354 truncation caused a shift in DNA migration (Figure 7F), supporting a role for 355 CCP1 in binding to DNA. 356 In vivo, only the CCP1/2 HpARI truncation could inhibit the release of IL-33 as 357 measured by western blot, while CCP2/3 actually increased total quantities of IL-358 33 detected in the BAL (**Figure 7G**). Both constructs suppressed IL-33 detection 359 by ELISA (Figure 7H), indicating they could both bind IL-33 and inhibit binding 360 of ELISA antibodies. Therefore we propose that CCP2/3 does not inhibit IL-33

| release but instead binds it in solution, prevent it from being degraded or taken |
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| up via its receptor. This data supports a model by which HpARI binds to IL-33     |
| through its CCP2 domain, and to DNA through its CCP1 domain, tethering IL-33      |
| within the necrotic cell nucleus.                                                 |

### Discussion

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IL-33 has emerged as a critical initiator of allergic responses in diseases such as asthma, sparking an array of type 2 reactions in innate lymphoid cells, eosinophils, macrophages and T cells (Liew et al., 2016). Through screening of the secreted products of a helminth parasite we identified HpARI, a CCP modulecontaining protein which inhibits IL-33 release. Recombinant HpARI is non-cell permeable, and can only gain access to the nucleus of necrotic cells, where it binds directly to IL-33 and nuclear DNA, tethering IL-33 within necrotic cells and preventing binding to the IL-33R, thereby suppressing ILC2 responses and eosinophilia in the lung after *Alternaria* administration. The primary mechanistic effect of HpARI is to bind IL-33: remarkably this extends from murine to human IL-33. Although the affinity of HpARI for human IL-33 is lower than that of mouse IL-33, this binding is sufficient to prevent human IL-33 release, with a reduced IL-33 signal in human lung explant supernatants when cultured with HpARI, and reduced human IL-33 release in the lungs of human IL-33 transgenic mice. In the mouse, HpARI proved to be highly suppressive in vivo, recapitulating and exceeding the effects of total parasite secretions (HES), and able to inhibit IL-33 release even when administered 24 h prior to allergen challenge. Although it is clear that IL-33 is released at high levels during tissue injury and necrosis, it is presently unclear how IL-33 is secreted during homeostasis (Liew et al., 2016). We showed that HpARI was not able to penetrate intact cells thus, in the absence of cell membrane damage, HpARI would be unable to mediate the nuclear retention of IL-33. HpARI's unique mechanism of action and specificity

provide an interesting tool to investigate the role of IL-33 as an alarmin preventing the release of IL-33 from necrotic cells while leaving other responses (necrosis, HMGB1 or IL-1α release) unaffected. Recently, IL-33 production and release by activated mast cells in response to extracellular ATP release was demonstrated in H. polygyrus infection (Shimokawa et al., 2017), and extracellular ATP has previously been shown to induce IL-33 release in response to Alternaria administration (Kouzaki et al., 2011). These findings may explain the lack of total ablation of IL-33 release with HpARI administration, as some cytokine may be actively secreted by live mast cells, against which the tethering function of HpARI would be inactive, without exposed DNA in a necrotic, lysed cell. In this context, the role of *H. polygyrus* secreted apyrases (Hewitson et al., 2011) - enzymes which degrade extracellular ATP – may have a further role. Binding to nuclear DNA allows HpARI to hold active IL-33 within the necrotic cell, and ablates allergic sensitisation. Although the affinity for DNA was not determined in this study, evidence from gel shift and co-immunoprecipitation assays, as well as ablation of necrotic nuclear localization and IL-33 tethering function on DNAse treatment, strongly supports binding of HpARI to DNA. Truncated HpARI lacking CCP1 has no activity in the gel shift assay and lack IL-33 tethering functionality, and molecular modeling of CCP1 revealed 2 exposed basic patches as putative DNA binding sites. Of note, the mammalian CCP domain-containing proteins C4b-binding protein (C4BP) (Trouw et al., 2005) and complement factor H (Leffler et al., 2010), also bind DNA through basic CCP modules. The importance of IL-33 localization to the nucleus has been shown in transgenic mice lacking the nuclear localization domain of IL-33, which develop

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lethal eosinophil-dominant multi-organ inflammation (Bessa et al., 2014), and in human endothelial cells, where extracellular IL-33 leads to inflammatory responses, while nuclear IL-33 does not (Gautier et al., 2016).

Three predicted CCP modules span the length of mature HpARI. CCP module-containing proteins are present in different phyla including chordates and nematodes, with notable expansion and diversification in parasitic species such as *H. polygyrus* (Hewitson et al., 2013). The functions of CCP modules are diverse, underlining the versatility of this structural scaffold that has evolved to serve many purposes (Kirkitadze and Barlow, 2001; Soares and Barlow, 2005; Soares et al., 2005). Of note, no non-host CCP module-containing protein has previously been shown to have immunomodulatory function outside of the complement system, and hence the co-option of this module by a parasite to block a mammalian immunological pathway is remarkable.

The suppression of the IL-33 pathway by *H. polygyrus* at the level of the IL-33 cytokine (mediated by HpARI) and the IL-33 receptor (mediated by secreted exosomes (Buck et al., 2014)) indicates that this pathway may be critical to persistence of the parasite. Indeed administration of exogenous IL-33 induces expulsion of *H. polygyrus* (Yang et al., 2013), while IL-33R-deficient mice are slow to expel this parasite even when immunized with a vaccine that induces sterile immunity in wild-type mice (Coakley et al., 2017). Similarly, in many helminth infections IL-33 administration can drive immunity, while deficiency of IL-33 or the IL-33 receptor leads to increased parasite load (Maizels and McSorley, 2016). Hence, the ability of *H. polygyrus* to pre-empt the IL-33 alarmin

436 system is likely to be a pivotal evolutionary adaptation to allow establishment in the mammalian host. 437 438 HpARI administration suppressed the eosinophilic response to *N. brasiliensis* 439 infection, leading to reduced ejection of adult parasites from the intestinal 440 lumen, similarly to the phenotype seen in IL-33-deficient animals (Hung et al., 441 2013). Thus HpARI is capable of suppressing early innate anti-parasite 442 immunity, a role we hypothesise it to play in the early stages of *H. polygyrus* 443 infection where IL-33 is critical for resistance (Shimokawa et al., 2017). 444 During an *H. polygyrus* infection, larvae penetrate the gut wall, undergo two 445 molts in the subserosal membrane, and emerge back into the lumen of the gut as 446 adults (Maizels et al., 2012). As the parasite penetrates the intestinal wall, it 447 damages epithelial cells which could result in the release of pre-formed IL-33 448 and induction of a parasite-toxic type 2 immune response. HpARI is secreted by 449 the parasite larvae and adult (Hewitson et al., 2013) and so is well positioned to 450 ablate this IL-33 response. 451 Recently, IL-33 was implicated in activation of intestinal Foxp3+ regulatory T (Treg) cells (Schiering et al., 2014) raising the possibility that HpARI could 452 453 interfere with Treg cell-mediated suppression. However, in mouse models of 454 asthma, IL-33 signaling to IL-33R+Foxp3+ Treg cells results in their expression of 455 Th2 cytokines, and abrogation of suppressive ability (Chen et al., 2017). Thus, in 456 asthmatic responses at least, IL-33 appears to have an inflammatory, rather than 457 suppressive effect.

In conclusion, we have identified a CCP module-containing protein with the unique ability to selectively bind to IL-33 and DNA within necrotic epithelial cells. This activity potently suppresses the release and the biological activity of IL-33, resulting in suppression of type 2 responses to allergen challenge. IL-33 is a critical mediator in allergic disease, and an important clinical target. HpARI could be a potent agent for prevention of IL-33-mediated pathology, as well as a new tool for manipulation of IL-33 release, leading to better understanding of the IL-33 pathway.

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| 693 | Figure Legends |                                                                                  |  |
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| 694 | Figu           | re 1: HES suppression of IL-33                                                   |  |
| 695 | (A)            | IL-33 levels (ELISA) in supernatants of naive murine lung cells ( $1x10^5$ per   |  |
| 696 |                | well), cultured for 1 h with Alternaria (Alt) allergen (200 $\mu g/ml$ ) and HES |  |
| 697 |                | (10 $\mu$ g/ml).                                                                 |  |
| 698 | (B)            | Propidium iodide (PI) and annexin V (AnnV) staining of cells from (A) was        |  |
| 699 |                | used to assess apoptosis (PI-AnnV+) versus necrosis (PI+AnnV+).                  |  |
| 700 | (C)            | IL-33 levels (ELISA) in supernatants of naive murine lung cells, freeze-         |  |
| 701 |                | thawed in the presence of HES.                                                   |  |
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| 703 | experiments.   |                                                                                  |  |

| 705 | Figur  | e 2: Identification and bioinformatic characterization of HpARI             |
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| 706 |        | sequence and structure                                                      |
| 707 | (A)    | IL-33 suppression by HES size fractions.                                    |
| 708 | (B)    | IL-33 suppression by HES charge fractions.                                  |
| 709 | Data   | in (A) and (B) are percentage suppression of the IL-33 signal compared to   |
| 710 | Alteri | naria-only control. Dotted rectangles indicate peaks used for selection of  |
| 711 | candi  | dates.                                                                      |
| 712 | (C)    | IL-33 levels (ELISA) in supernatants of naïve murine lung cells, freeze-    |
| 713 |        | thawed in the presence of supernatants of HEK293T cells transfected with    |
| 714 |        | four candidate genes. Mean and SEM are shown of 3 replicate wells,          |
| 715 |        | representative of 3 repeat experiments.                                     |
| 716 | (D)    | Alignment of HpARI CCP-like modules with complement receptor type 2         |
| 717 |        | CCP2 (CR2-CCP2) and complement factor H CCP10 (FH-CCP10). The               |
| 718 |        | putative disulfide bonding pattern (CI-CIII; CII-CIV), conserved tryptophan |
| 719 |        | (W) and structurally-important proline (P), glycine (G) and hydrophobic     |
| 720 |        | amino acid residues (h), characteristic of a CCP-module are indicated.      |
| 721 |        | Atypical insertions in CCP2/3 (green box), the hypervariable loop (cyan     |
| 722 |        | box) and beta-strands (pink arrows) are indicated, based on known CCP       |
| 723 |        | secondary structure of CR2-CCP2, as well as three potential N-linked        |
| 724 |        | glycosylation sites (light green box).                                      |
| 725 | (E)    | HpARI domain schematic, with putative disulfide bonding pattern and         |
| 726 |        | location of insertions indicated.                                           |
| 727 | (F)    | Structural models of the three HpARI CCP-like modules.                      |

| 729 | Figure 3: HnARL   | CIINNTACCAC TACNANCA  | es to <i>Alternaria</i> allergen |
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- 730 (A) IL-33 levels (ELISA) in supernatants of naive mouse lung cells, cultured for
- 731 1 h in the presence of *Alternaria* (200  $\mu$ g/ml) and HES or HpARI.
- 732 (B) IL-33 levels (ELISA) in BAL 1h after *Alternaria* allergen administration with
- HpARI (5 μg) or proteinase K-degraded and heat-treated HpARI ("HpARI
- 734 (prK)").
- 735 (C) IL-33 levels (ELISA) in BAL 1 h after Alternaria allergen administration,
- with HpARI (5 μg) administered 1, 24, 72 or 168 h prior to Alternaria
- 737 allergen.
- 738 (D) BAL eosinophil numbers 24 h after Alternaria allergen, HpARI and HES
- 739 administration.
- 740 (E) Lung ILC2 IL-5 staining from mice in (D).
- 741 (F) Lung ILC2 IL-13 staining from mice in (D).
- All data representative of 2-3 repeat experiments, each with 3-4 replicates/mice
- 743 per group.

| 745 | Figure 4    | : HpARI suppresses responses to <i>Alternaria</i> allergen                 |
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| 746 | (A)         | Day 17 BAL eosinophil numbers after Alternaria allergen, OVA protein       |
| 747 |             | and HpARI administeration on day 0 (sensitisation), and OVA protein        |
| 748 |             | alone on days 14, 15 and 16 (challenge).                                   |
| 749 | (B)         | Lung ILC2 IL-5 production from mice in (A).                                |
| 750 | (C)         | Lung ILC2 IL-13 production from mice in (A)                                |
| 751 | (D)         | Lung resistance in methacholine challenge from mice treated as in (A)      |
| 752 | (E)         | Lung compliance in methacholine challenge from mice treated as in          |
| 753 |             | (A)                                                                        |
| 754 | (F)         | H&E- (top panels) and PAS-stained (bottom panels) lung sections            |
| 755 |             | from mice treated as in (A). Scale bars indicate 100 $\mu\text{m}.$        |
| 756 | (G)         | H&E scoring of sections from mice treated as in (A).                       |
| 757 | (H)         | PAS scoring of sections from mice treated as in (A)                        |
| 758 | Alteri      | naria model data representative of 2-3 repeat experiments, each with 4-    |
| 759 | 6 mic       | e per group.                                                               |
| 760 | (I)         | Mice were subcutaneously infected with N. brasiliensis, and HpARI          |
| 761 |             | administered intranasally on days 0, 1 and 2 of infection. Lung larvae     |
| 762 |             | were counted 3 days after infection.                                       |
| 763 | <b>(</b> J) | Day 6 intestinal <i>N. brasiliensis</i> worms from mice treated as in (I). |
| 764 | (K)         | Day 3 and day 6 BAL eosinophil numbers from mice treated as in (I).        |
| 765 |             |                                                                            |

# Figure 5: HpARI binds active murine and human IL-33

- 767 (A) Murine IL-33 western blot (non-reducing) of HpARI immunoprecipitation
- of mouse lung homogenates, using anti-c-Myc antibody, or MOPC isotype
- 769 control (iso).

- 770 (B) Human IL-33 western blot (non-reducing) of HpARI immunoprecipitation
- of human lung homogenates, as in (A).
- 772 (C) Characterization of the interaction of mouse IL-33 (mIL-33) with HpARI by
- surface plasmon resonance (SPR BIAcore T200). Reference corrected single
- kinetic titration SPR binding curves (black), and a globally fitted 1:1 kinetic
- 5775 binding model (grey).
- 776 (D) Characterisation by SPR of the interaction of human IL-33 (hIL-33) with
- 777 HpARI, as in (C).
- 778 (E) IL-33 levels (ELISA) in supernatants of freeze-thawed murine lung cells,
- incubated at 37°C for 0, 1, 2 or 4 h, before addition of 1 µg/ml HpARI, and a
- further incubation for 1 h at 37°C.
- 781 (F) Untreated or oxidised recombinant murine IL-33 immunoprecipitated with
- HpARI as in (A).
- 783 (G) Untreated or oxidised recombinant human IL-33 immunoprecipitated with
- 784 HpARI as in (B)
- 785 (H) Immunoprecipitation experiments repeated with recombinant murine IL-
- 786  $1\alpha$ , and probed with anti-murine IL-1 $\alpha$ .
- 787 Arrows indicate specific IL-33 or IL-1α bands, and IL-33 reduced ("red") or
- oxidised ("ox") bands. All data representative of at least 2 independent repeats.

# Figure 6: HpARI blocks IL-33-ST2 interactions and inhibits IL-33 release

- 790 (A) IL-33 western blot (non-reducing) of ST2-Fc fusion protein
- 791 immunoprecipitation of recombinant murine IL-33 in the presence or
- absence of HpARI.

- 793 (B) Lung ILC2 IL-5 production 24 h after intranasal administration of
- recombinant murine IL-33 (200 ng/mouse) with 5 μg HpARI.
- 795 (C) Lung ILC2 IL-5 production from mice described in (B).
- 796 (D) Murine IL-33 levels (ELISA) in BAL 15 min after Alternaria allergen and
- 797 HpARI were intranasally administered.
- 798 (E) Murine IL-33 western blot (~20 kDa band and densitometry analysis) of
- 799 BAL from mice described in (D).
- 800 (F) Human IL-33 levels (ELISA) in supernatants of human lung explants
- cultured for 1 h with HpARI.
- 802 (G) Human IL-33 western blot (~20 kDa band and densitometry analysis) of
- supernatants from human lung explants cultures described in (F).
- 804 (H) Human IL-33 levels (ELISA) in BAL fluid of human IL-33-transgenic mice,
- 30 min after *Alternaria* allergen and HpARI intranasally administration.
- 806 (I) Human IL-33 western blot (~20 kDa band and densitometry analysis) of
- BAL from human IL-33-transgenic mice described in (H).
- 808 Mouse data (A-E, H-I) representative of 2-4 repeat experiments, each with 3-4
- mice per group. Human data (C, D) shows 5 independent subjects.

| 810 | Figure 7: HpARI binds nuclear DNA, tethering IL-33 within necrotic cell |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Ω11 | (A) Live (top panels) or freeze-thawed (bottom panels) CMT-64 cells w   |  |  |  |  |  |

- 811 (A) Live (top panels) or freeze-thawed (bottom panels) CMT-64 cells were 812 incubated for 1 h at 37°C with 5 μg/ml HpARI\_mCherry.
- 813 (B) HpARI\_mCherry-stained freeze-thawed CMT-64 cells, with Hoechst 33342 nuclear co-stain.
- 815 (C) Freeze-thawed CMT-64 or HEK293T cells were stained with HpARI\_mCherry with 100 U/ml DNAse I.
- 817 (D) Murine IL-33 western blot densitometry of BAL taken 15 min after 818 *Alternaria* allergen, HpARI and DNAse (100 U) intranasal administration.
- 819 (E) Murine IL-33 levels (ELISA) IL-33 in BAL fluid from mice described in (D)
- 820 (F) Gel shift assay of linearised plasmid DNA, incubated with 100, 50 or 25 821 pmol of HpARI, CCP1/2 or CCP2/3 truncated proteins..
- 822 (G) Murine IL-33 western blot densitometry of BAL taken 15 min after
  823 Alternaria allergen, HpARI or CCP1/2 or CCP2/3 HpARI truncated proteins
  824 intranasal administration.
- 825 (H) Murine IL-33 levels (ELISA) in BAL from mice described in (G).
- All data representative of at least 2 repeat experiments. Data in (D) and (E) shows mean and SEM of 3 pooled experiments, data log-transformed for statistical analysis to equalize variances. Scale bars = 100 µm.

| 830 | CONTACT FOR REAGENT AND RESOURCE SHARING                                        |
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| 831 | Further information and request for resources and reagents should be            |
| 832 | directed to and will be fulfilled by the Lead Contact, Henry McSorley           |
| 833 | (henry.mcsorley@ed.ac.uk).                                                      |
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| 835 | EXPERIMENTAL MODEL AND SUBJECT DETAILS                                          |
| 836 | Mice                                                                            |
| 837 | BALB/cOlaHsd, C57BL/6JOlaHsd, IL-13-eGFP (C57BL/6 background) (Neill et al.,    |
| 838 | 2010) and ST2-deficient (BALB/c background, kindly provided by Dr Andrew        |
| 839 | McKenzie, MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology, Cambridge) mice, male or         |
| 840 | female (single sex within an experiment), 6-10 weeks old, were bred in-house at |
| 841 | the University of Edinburgh. hIL-33+/+, mIL-33-/- (humanised IL-33) transgenic  |
| 842 | mice (BALB/c background) (Cohen et al., 2015) were bred in-house at the         |
| 843 | Babraham Institute, Cambridge. All mice were accommodated, and procedures       |
| 844 | performed under UK Home Office licenses with institutional oversight performed  |
| 845 | by qualified veterinarians.                                                     |
| 846 | Human Tissue Samples                                                            |
| 847 | Non-cancerous adjacent tissue from lung cancer patients was collected by        |
| 848 | Lothian NRS Bioresource, and cultured as previously described (Cohen et al.,    |
| 849 | 2015). The study was approved by Lothian NRS Bioresource (15/ES/0094) and       |
| 850 | tissue was donated with the informed consent of patients.                       |
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| 852 | METHOD DETAILS                                                                  |
| 853 | Parasite lifecycles, infection and HES preparation                              |

The life cycle of *H. polygyrus bakeri* was maintained, and HES products prepared, as previously described (Johnston et al., 2015). The life cycle of *N. brasiliensis* was maintained in Sprague-Dawley rats as previously described (Lawrence et al., 1996), and infective L3 larvae were prepared from 1-3 week rat fecal cultures. BALB/c mice were subcutaneously infected with 500 L3 *N. brasiliensis* larvae. At day 3 post-infection, larvae were counted in the bronchoalveolar lavage and in lung tissue, by dicing lungs and placing them in a cheese-cloth bag in a 50 ml tube containing PBS at 37°C for at least 3 h. Day 3 lung counts reflect a sum of the BAL and lung larval counts for each animal. At day 6 intestinal worms were recovered from intestinal tissue using an adapted Baermann apparatus.

# Reagents:

Alternaria alternata extract (Greer XPM1D3A25) was resuspended in PBS, filter sterilized and concentration assessed by BCA assay (Pierce). CMT-64 cells (ECACC 10032301) and HEK293T cells (ATCC CRL-3216) were maintained by serial passage in DMEM medium containing 10% fetal bovine serum, 2 mM L-glutamine and 1  $\mu$  g ml<sup>-1</sup> penicillin/streptomycin. Human and murine IL-33 and murine IL-1 $\alpha$  were purchased from BioLegend.

## In vitro IL-33 release assay:

HES, candidate proteins or HpARI were cultured with total murine lung cells prepared by Liberase/DNAse digestion of naïve mouse lungs or CMT-64 cells for 1 h at 37°C, 5% CO<sub>2</sub>, with *Alternaria* allergen (200  $\mu$ g ml<sup>-1</sup>), or were frozen on dry ice, and thawed at 37°C.

# Preparation of murine lung single cell suspension:

Single-cell suspensions of naïve murine lung tissue were prepared by digesting in 2 U ml $^{-1}$  liberase TL (Roche, Burgess Hill, UK) and 80 U ml $^{-1}$  DNase (Life Technologies, Paisley, UK) at 37°C with agitation for 35 min. Digested tissue was macerated through a 70  $\mu$ m cell strainer (BD Biosciences), treated with red blood cells lysis buffer (Sigma), and live cells counted on a haemocytometer, excluding dead cells by trypan blue staining.

# Cytokine measurement:

R&D Systems Duoset kits were used to measure human and murine IL-33 by ELISA, while western blotting was carried out using polyclonal goat anti-mouse IL-33, goat anti-human IL-33 or goat anti-mouse IL-1 $\alpha$  (R&D Systems) with a rabbit anti-goat IgG HRP secondary antibody (Thermo Fisher), and detected using WesternSure Premium reagent (Licor).

## Fractionation and mass spectrometry:

HES was separated into 1 ml fractions by size exclusion chromatography using a Superdex 200 10/300 GL column, or by anion exchange chromatography using a MonoQ 5/50 GL column (GE Healthcare) in a 40 column volume gradient from 20 mM TrisHCl pH 8 (start buffer) to a maximum of 30 % 20 mM TrisHCl + 1 M NaCl pH 8 (elution buffer). All fractions were trypsinized and analyzed by LC MS/MS on an on-line system consisting of a capillary-pump Agilent 1200 HPLC system (Agilent, UK) coupled to an Orbitrap XL mass spectrometer (Thermo Scientific) as previously described (Hewitson et al., 2011; Hewitson et al., 2013). LC MS/MS data was analyzed using Mascot (v2.4, Matrix Science) and searched against an improved in-house BLASTx annotated database obtained by 454 sequencing of *H. polygyrus* adults, with additional full length *H. polygyrus* sequences from NCBI, WormBase ParaSite (Howe et al., 2016) and our own

Sanger sequencing (Harcus Y. et al, manuscript in preparation). Peptides identified were ranked by Mascot protein score, with a minimum cutoff score of 20, with a significance threshold of p<0.05. Protein abundance was estimated by emPAI (exponentially modified protein abundance index).

# Protein expression and purification

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Candidate genes were selected by comparison of emPAI and IL-33-suppression profiles in all fractions (Supplementary Figures 1-2). Candidate genes A-D (**Figure 2A**, respectively Hp\_I10793\_IG03481\_L623, Hp\_I15874\_IG07818\_L1106, Hp\_I46029\_IG37973\_L313 and Hp\_I08176\_IG02172\_L1157 transcripts) were codon optimised for Homo sapiens and gene synthesised (GeneArt, Thermo Fisher) with 5' AscI and 3' NotI restriction enzyme sites. CCP1/2 (amino acids 17-165) and CCP2/3 (amino acids 80-251) constructs were created using PCR of codon-optimised HpARI, and primers which added a NotI site 3' of the CCP2 module (5'GCGGCCGCCTTGGGGCACACGCCCAG3', primes reverse of LGVCPK amino acid sequence, for CCP1/2 construct), or an AscI site 5' of the CCP2 module (5' 5'GGCGCGCCGGCTGCAAGGGCATCCTG3', primes GCKGIL amino acid sequence, for CCP2/3 construct), combined with vector-specific T7 (5' of insert) and BGH (3' of insert) primers. The HpARI\_mCherry fusion protein was created by cloning in a codon-optimised gene-synthesised mCherry sequence (ANO45948.1) at the C-terminus of the HpARI protein, using an mCherry 5' NotI site and a 3' ApaI site. These constructs were sub-cloned into the pSecTAG2A expression vector (Thermo Fisher), using Ascl, Notl-HF and Apa-1 restriction enzyme digestion (New England Biolabs), followed by T4 DNA ligation (Thermo Fisher).

JM109 cells were transformed with ligated constructs and plasmids were midiprepped using the PureLink HiPure midiprep kit (Thermo Fisher) according to manufacturers instructions, and Sanger sequenced. Plasmid constructs were transfected into HEK293T cells using the calcium phosphate technique (Jordan et al., 1996), using 15 µg plasmid DNA per 100 mm tissue culture dish of HEK293T cells at 20% confluency. Stable cell lines were maintained using Zeocin (Thermo Fisher) selection in DMEM medium containing 10% fetal bovine serum, 2 mM Lglutamine and 1  $\mu g$  ml<sup>-1</sup> Penicillin/Streptomycin. Resulting expressed proteins secreted to the medium contained C-terminal myc and 6-His tags. For large scale expression of constructs, transfected cells were transferred to 293 SFM II media (Thermo Fisher) and protein purified from supernatant by nickel affinity chromatography using HiTrap chelating HP columns (GE Healthcare), eluting bound proteins using an imidazole gradient. Fractions containing pure expressed protein were pooled, dialysed into PBS, sterile filtered and concentration assessed by absorbance at 280 nm, corrected by calculated extinction coefficient. Purified HpARI had an endotoxin content of below 0.5 U LPS per µg protein, as measured by the Limulus Amoebocyte Lysate assay (Lonza).

#### Bioinformatics characterization and modeling:

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Domain identification and assignment were undertaken using a combination of SMART (Letunic et al., 2015), an HHPred search against the pdb70 database (accessed March 2016) (Berman et al., 2000; Soding, 2005), and refined manually based upon positioning of the four Cysteine residues that typify CCP module sequences (Soares et al., 2005). PROSITE (de Castro et al., 2006) was

951 used for short motif searches. ESPript v3 (Robert and Gouet, 2014) was used for 952 alignment figure preparation. 953 The three predicted HpARI CCP module sequences were modeled based upon 954 their top ranked CCP module template structure 'hits' as suggested by HHPred. 955 HpARI-CCP1 was modeled based upon CR2-CCP2 (PDB ID: 1LY2) (Prota et al., 956 2002) (after a manual switch of Leu<sup>69</sup> with Trp<sup>69</sup> to help identify this CCP module 957 using HHPred; note Leu/Trp substitutions exist in other experimentallydetermined CCP module structures such as complement Factor H CCP10 and 958 959 CCP20 (Makou et al., 2012; Morgan et al., 2012); HpARI-CCP2 on CSMD1-CCP3 (PDB ID: 2EHF) (RIKEN Structural Genomics/Proteomics Initiative); HpARI-960 CCP3 on GABABR1  $\alpha$  -CCP2 (PDB ID: 1SRZ) (Blein et al., 2004). The target-961 962 template alignment in each case was based upon the initial HHPred alignment, 963 then extended to include the first Cysteine residue in each domain, realigned 964 using ClustalX (Thompson et al., 1997), and finally subjected to manual editing to 965 optimally position known consensus residues, secondary structure elements and 966 gaps (Soares et al., 2005). Note, an alternative alignment for the atypical 967 insertion in CCP3 is possible where it can be accommodated after the 968 hypervariable loop (not shown). A total of 100 models for each CCP module were 969 built using Modeller v9.12 (Sali and Blundell, 1993), and the model with the 970 lowest DOPE (Shen and Sali, 2006) energy score selected as the representative 971 model in each case and evaluated for valid stereochemistry (Lovell et al., 2003). 972 Electrostatic surface potential was calculated using APBS (Baker et al, 2001). 973 PyMOL (http://www.pymol.org/; Schrödinger, LLC.) was used for visualization, 974 and figure preparation.

#### Alternaria models

Alternaria models, lung cell preparation, flow cytometry and lung histology were carried out as previously described (McSorley et al., 2014). Alternaria allergen (25 µg) was administered intranasally with 20 µg OVA protein (Sigma) and HpARI (10 μg). In some experiments, the OVA-specific response was recalled by daily intranasal administration of 20 µg OVA protein on days 14, 15 and 16. Mice were culled 15 min, 1 h, 24 h or 17 days after the initial administration, as indicated. Bronchoalveloar lavage was collected (4 lavages with 0.5 ml ice-cold PBS), followed by lung dissection for tissue digestion and single cell preparation (see below), or lungs were inflated with 10% neutral buffered formalin for histology. Formalin-fixed lungs were transferred into 70% ethanol 24 h after collection, paraffin, embedded and sectioned (5 µm), prior to staining with haemotoxylin and eosin (H&E) or Periodic Acid Schiff (PAS). H&E and PASstained sections were scored blindly according to the following criteria: H&E stain at 200X magnification on an increasing severity score of 1-4 in both the peri-vascular and peri-bronchiolar compartments (1 = <5, 2 = 5-20, 3 = 20-100, 4= >100 cells), giving an average overall score of 5-10 fields of view per section. PAS stained sections were scored at 100X magnification, on percentage of mucous-positive epithelial cells (1 = <1%, 2 = 1-20%, 3 = 20-50%, 4 = 50-100%), of 5-10 fields of view per section.

#### Measurement of airway hyperresponsiveness

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A Flexivent system (Scireq, Montreal, Canada) was used to measure dynamic resistance and compliance. Mice were anaesthetised with intraperitoneal ketamine 200 mg/kg and pentobarbitone (50 mg/kg), tracheotomised and mechanically ventillated. Lung resistance and compliance were measured in response to nebulised methacholine (Sigma).

#### Immunoprecipitation:

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1002 Protein G dynabeads (Thermo Fisher) were coated with 5 µg anti-c-Myc (clone 1003 Myc.A7, Thermo Fisher), MOPC (IgG1 isotype control antibody) or ST2-Fc fusion 1004 protein (Biolegend), and washed on a DynaMag-2 magnet with PBS containing 1005 0.02% Tween 20. These were then used to immunoprecipitate HpARI-IL-33 1006 complexes, following manufacturer's instructions. 1007 Where human or mouse lung homogenates were used, these were prepared by 1008 homogenizing (Tissuelyser II, QIAGEN) one lung lobe (mouse) in 1 ml PBS, or 1009 400 mg human lung tissue in 1 ml PBS. Lung homogenates (100 ul) or 100 ng 1010 human or murine recombinant IL-33 (Biolegend) were then mixed with 1 µg HpARI in PBS containing 100 ug/ml OVA protein, and incubated for 30 min at 1011 1012 37°C. Complexes were then added to coated dynabeads, incubated for 10 min at 1013 room temperature, and unbound material collected. Bound material on beads 1014 was washed 3 times in PBS+0.02% PBS on a DynaMag-2 magnet, before 1015 transferring to a fresh tube and eluting bound complexes using 50 mM glycine 1016 pH 2.8 (non-denaturing), before neutralising in 1M Tris buffer, pH 8. Eluted 1017 proteins and unbound supernatants were ran on 4-12% SDS-PAGE gels (Thermo Fisher) under non-reducing conditions, and transferred to nitrocellulose 1018 1019 membranes for western blotting.

#### Surface Plasmon Resonance (SPR)

SPR measurements were performed using a BIAcore T200 instrument (GE Healthcare). Ni<sup>2+</sup>-nitrilotriacetic acid (NTA) sensor chips were purchased from GE Healthcare. HpARI was immobilised on an NTA sensor surface to 400 RU, which gave essential zero baseline drift over the time course of the experiments performed: the apparent k- for the His-tagged HpARI Ni<sup>2+</sup>-NTA surfaces was

significantly slower than the complex being studied ~5×10<sup>-5</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for HpARI-Ni-NTA vs  $\sim$ 14-400×10<sup>-5</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for HpARI-IL-33, therefore short cycle (400-600 s total run times) single kinetic analysis could be reliably performed. Following Ni<sup>2+</sup> priming (30 sec injection of 500  $\mu$  M NiCl<sub>2</sub> at 5  $\mu$ l·min<sup>-1</sup>) 50 nM HpARI, in 10 mM  $NaH_2PO_4$ , pH 7.5; 150 mM NaCl; 50  $\mu$  M EDTA; 0.05% surfactant P20, was captured via the 6-His tag by injection for 15 seconds, at 30 μl·min<sup>-1</sup>. Surface regeneration between cycles and/or experiments was performed by dissociating any immobilised His-tagged protein or complex by a 90 s injection of 350 mM EDTA, in 10 mM NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, pH 7.5; 150 mM NaCl; 0.05% surfactant P20 followed by a 30 s injection of 50 mM NaOH at the same flow rate. SPR kinetic titration binding experiments were performed at 25°C. Three-fold dilution series of mIL-33 (6.2 nM to 167 nM) or hIL-33 (0.062  $\mu$ M to 1.67  $\mu$ M), were injected over the sensor surface, in 10 mM NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, pH 7.5; 150 mM NaCl; 50  $\mu$  M EDTA; 0.05% surfactant P20, at 30  $\mu$ l.min<sup>-1</sup> for 30 s followed by a 60 s dissociation phase. The same concentration series of mIL-33/hIL-33 were ran over Ni2+-charged NTA surfaces, and showed no evidence of non-specific interaction of mIL-33/hIL-33 interacting with these surfaces. All experiments were performed on Ni<sup>2+</sup>-charged surfaces following non-specific binding assessment and were double referenced using similar blank surface responses for run-noise corrections. The on-  $(k_+)$  and off-rate  $(k_-)$  constants and the equilibrium dissociation constant ( $K_d$ ) were calculated by global fitting all three surfaces simultaneously to a 1:1 interaction model, with mass transport considerations, to the double reference corrected sensorgrams, using analysis software (v.2.01, GE Healthcare) provided with the BIAcore T200 instrument.

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Both interactions were extremely well fit by a simple 1:1 interaction model (Chi² values of 0.457 and 0.395, mIL-33 and hIL-33 respectively), with RUmax values close to the theoretical maximum expected for a 1:1 stoichiometric interaction with high specific activity ( $\sim$  180 RU; 173 RU and 169.3 RU, mIL-33 and hIL-33 respectively) and showed no evidence of mass transport issues.

# Human lung explant culture

Approximately 5 g of lung tissue was washed 3 times in PBS and  $\sim 0.5$  mm² tissue explants prepared using sterilized scissors. Explants were incubated in 400  $\mu$ l PBS+0.1% BSA +/- 10  $\mu$ g/ml HpARI in wells of a 48-well tissue culture plate (Costar) for 1 h, at 37°C, 5% CO<sub>2</sub>. Each condition was performed with 8 replicates for IL-33 measurement by ELISA, and pairs of supernatants were pooled (to make 4 replicates) for IL-33 western blot. After culture, tissue pieces were weighed, and IL-33 levels calculated relative to tissue weight.

# Gel shift assay

Linearized Not-HF-cut pSecTAG2A plasmid (10 ng) was mixed with HpARI, CCP1/2 and CCP2/3 proteins, in 10 mM TrisCl, 1 mM EDTA, and incubated for 30 min at 37°C. Complexes were ran on a 0.7% agarose gel and imaged with Gelred (Biotium).

# **QUANTIFICATION AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS**

All data was analyzed using Prism (Graphpad Software Inc.). Where two groups were compared, Student's t-test was used, where there were 3 or more groups, one-way ANOVA with a Bonferroni's post test was used, and for comparing groups at multiple timepoints two-way ANOVA with a Sidak's post test was used.

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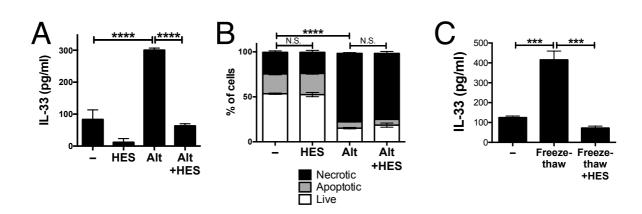


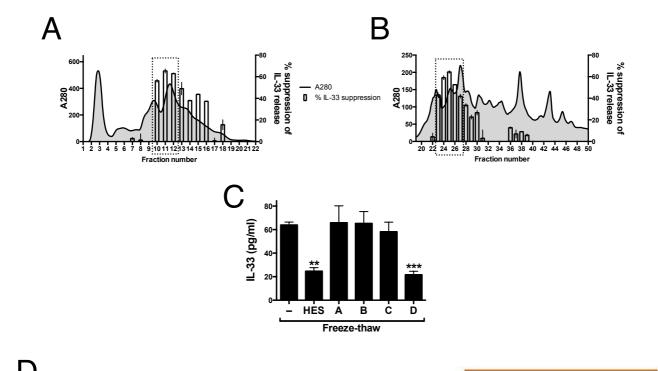
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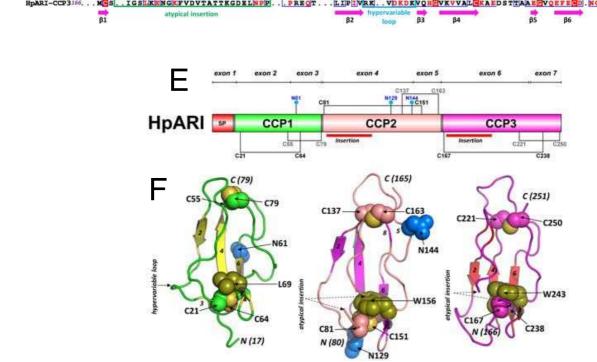
| REAGENT or RESOURCE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | SOURCE                   | IDENTIFIER                            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Antibodies                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                          | 1                                     |
| Anti-mouse CD3 (clone 145-2C11)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Biolegend                | 100306                                |
| Anti-mouse CD4 (clone RM4.5)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Biolegend                | 100566                                |
| Anti-mouse CD5 (clone 53-7.3)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Biolegend                | 100606                                |
| Anti-mouse CD11b (clone M1/70)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Biolegend                | 101224                                |
| Anti-mouse CD11c (clone N418)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Biolegend                | 117312                                |
| Anti-mouse CD19 (clone 6D5)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Biolegend                | 11506                                 |
| Anti-mouse CD25 (clone PC61)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Biolegend                | 102038                                |
| Anti-mouse CD45 (clone 30-F11)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Biolegend                | 103128                                |
| Anti-mouse CD49b (clone DX5)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | eBioscience              | 11-5971-85                            |
| Anti-mouse CD127 (clone A7R34)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Biolegend                | 135013                                |
| Anti-mouse ICOS (clone 15F9                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | eBioscience              | 46-9940-82                            |
| Anti-mouse GR1 (clone RB6-8C5)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Biolegend                | 108406                                |
| Anti-mouse IL-5 (clone TRFK5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Biolegend                | 504304                                |
| Anti-mouse IL-13 (clone eBio13A)                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | eBioscience              | 25-7133-82                            |
| Anti-mouse Ly6G (clone 1A8)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Biolegend                | 127616                                |
| Anti-mouse SiglecF (clone ES22-10D8)                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Miltenyi                 | 130-102-274                           |
| Anti-mouse ST2 (clone RMST2-2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | eBioscience              | 17-9335-82                            |
| Anti-mouse TER119 (clone TER-119)                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Biolegend                | 116220                                |
| Anti-HMGB-1 rabbit polyclonal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Abcam                    | Ab18256                               |
| Anti-c-myc (clone Myc.A7)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Thermo Fisher Scientific | MA1-21316                             |
| Anti-human IL-33 goat polyclonal                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | R&D Systems              | AF3625                                |
| Anti-mouse IL-33 goat polyclonal                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | R&D Systems              | AF3626                                |
| Anti-mouse IL-1α                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | R&D Systems              | AF-400-NA                             |
| IgG1 isotype control antibody (clone MOPC-21)                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Produced in-house        | N/A                                   |
| Destarial and Vinus Obsins                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                          |                                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | (11                      | \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | (Johnston et al, 2015)   | N/A                                   |
| Nippostrongylus brasiliensis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | (Lawrence et al, 1996)   | N/A                                   |
| Biological Samples                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                          |                                       |
| Human lung tissue                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Lothian NRS              | 15/ES/0094                            |
| Anti-mouse IL-1α gG1 isotype control antibody (clone MOPC-21)  Bacterial and Virus Strains Heligmosomoides polygyrus Nippostrongylus brasiliensis  Biological Samples Human lung tissue  Chemicals, Peptides, and Recombinant Proteins Recombinant mouse IL-1α | Bioresource              |                                       |
| Chamicals Pontides and Posembinant Proteins                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                          |                                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Biolegend                | 575002                                |
| Recombinant mouse IL-33                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Biolegend                | 580506                                |
| Recombinant human IL-33                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Biolegend                | 581806                                |
| ST2-Fc                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Biolegend                | 557904                                |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Thermo Fisher Scientific | 10004D                                |
| Dynabeads Protein G                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                          |                                       |
| Proteinase K                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Sigma                    | 557904                                |
| DNAse (protease-free)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Sigma                    | 4536282001                            |
| Liberase TL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Sigma                    | 05401020001                           |
| Methylcholine chloride                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Sigma                    | A2251                                 |
| Hoescht 33342                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Thermo Fisher Scientific | H3570                                 |
| Oritical Commercial Access                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                          |                                       |
| Critical Commercial Assays  Mouse IL-33 Duoset ELISA                                                                                                                                                                                                           | R&D systems              | DY3626                                |
| INIOUSE IL-33 DUOSEL ELIOA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Nad Systems              | ט ו טטעט                              |



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|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Human IL-33 Duoset ELISA                                | R&D systems               | DY3625B                                             |
| Annexin V Apoptosis Detection Kit                       | eBioscience               | 88-8005-72                                          |
| Limulus Amoebocyte Lysate assay                         | Lonza                     | QCL-1000                                            |
| Deposited Data                                          |                           |                                                     |
| Experimental Models: Cell Lines                         |                           |                                                     |
| HEK293T                                                 | ATCC                      | CRL-3216                                            |
| CMT-64                                                  | ECACC                     | 10032301                                            |
| Experimental Models: Organisms/Strains                  |                           |                                                     |
| Mouse: IL-13-eGFP (C57BL/6J)                            | (Neill et al., 2010)      | N/A                                                 |
| Mouse: hIL-33+/+ / mIL-33-/- (humanized IL-33) (BALB/c) | (Cohen et al., 2015)      | N/A                                                 |
| Oligonucleotides                                        |                           |                                                     |
| Recombinant DNA                                         |                           |                                                     |
|                                                         | Thomas Fisher Osiontifis  | \(00000                                             |
| pSecTAG2A plasmid                                       | Thermo Fisher Scientific  | V90020                                              |
| Software and Algorithms                                 |                           |                                                     |
| ClustalX                                                | (Thompson et al., 1997)   | www.clustal.org                                     |
| Mascot v2.4                                             | Matrix Science            | www.matrixscience.c                                 |
| SMART                                                   | (Letunic et al., 2015)    | smart.embl-<br>heidelberg.de/                       |
| HHpred                                                  | (Soding, 2005)            | toolkit.tuebingen.mp<br>g.de/#/tools/hhpred         |
| Modeller v9.12                                          | (Sali and Blundell, 1993) | salilab.org/modeller/                               |
| APBS                                                    | (Baker et al, 2001)       | www.poissonboltzm<br>ann.org/                       |
| ESPript v3                                              | (Robert and Gouet, 2014)  | espript.ibcp.fr/                                    |
| PyMOL                                                   | Schrödinger, LLC          | www.pymol.org                                       |
| PROSITE                                                 | (de Castro et al., 2006)  | prosite.expasy.org/                                 |
| Protein Data Bank                                       | (Berman et al., 2000)     | www.rcsb.org/pdb                                    |
| Wormbase ParaSite                                       | (Howe et al., 2016)       | parasite.wormbase.o                                 |
| FlowJo v9.1                                             | Flowjo, LLC               | www.flowjo.com/                                     |
| Prism v7                                                | Graphpad Software         | www.graphpad.com/<br>scientific-<br>software/prism/ |
| BIAcore T200 software v2.01                             | GE Healthcare             | N/A                                                 |
| Other                                                   | •                         | •                                                   |
| Superdex 200 10/300 GL                                  | GE Healthcare             | 17517501                                            |
| MonoQ 5/50 GL                                           | GE Healthcare             | 17-5166-01                                          |
| Series S Sensor Chip NTA                                | GE Healthcare             | BR-1005-32                                          |
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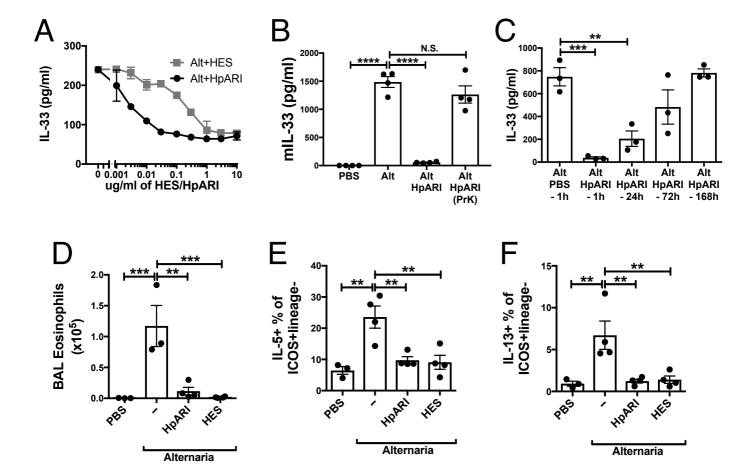


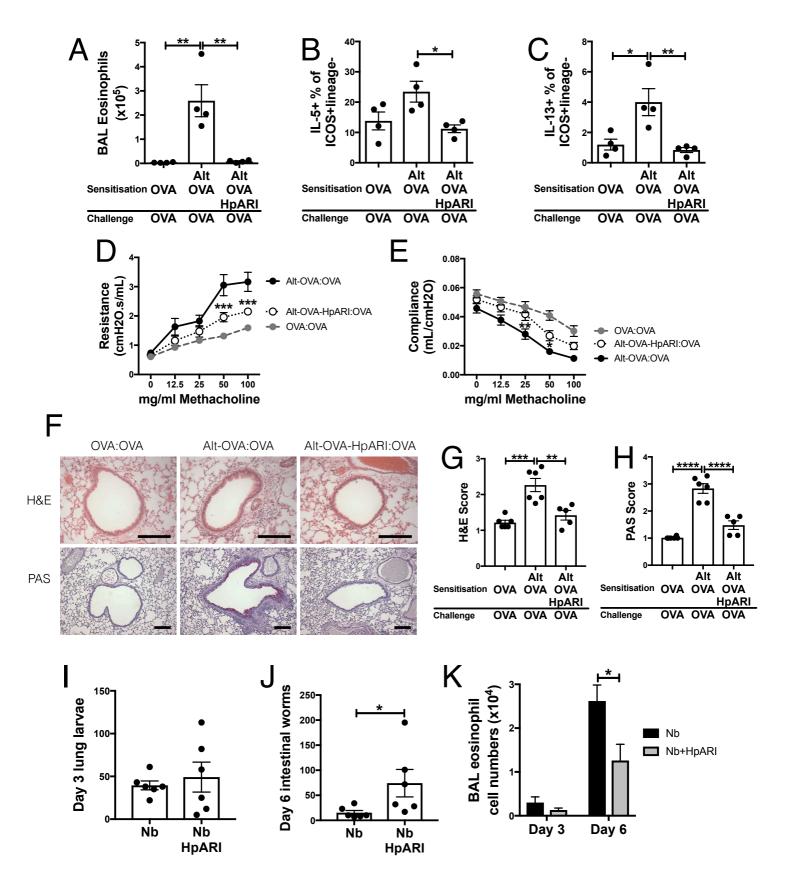


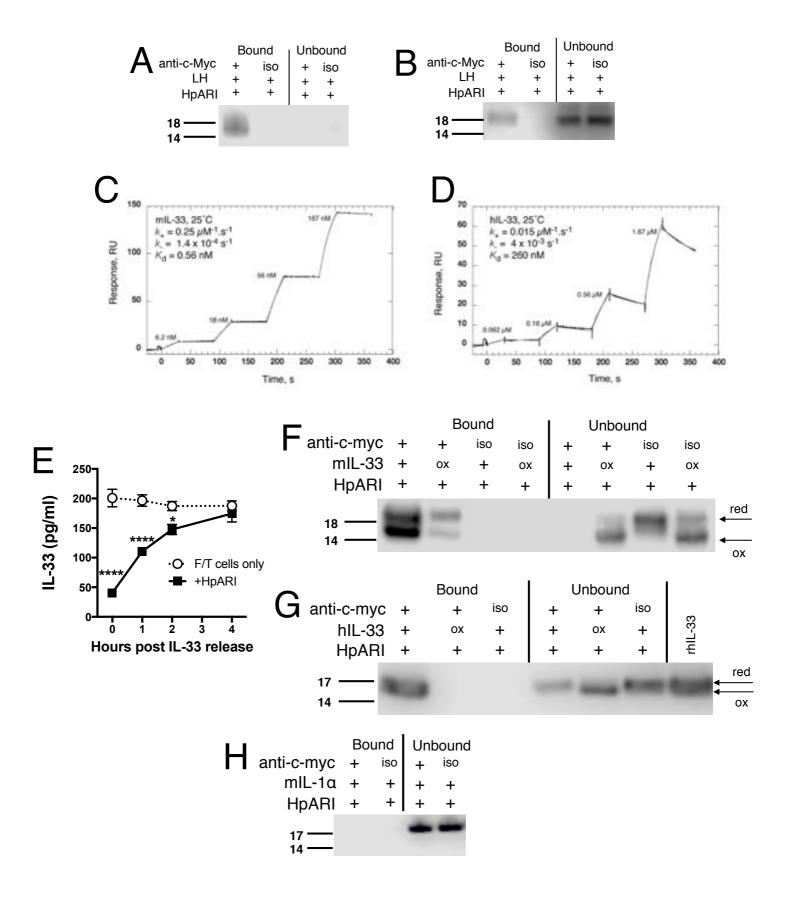
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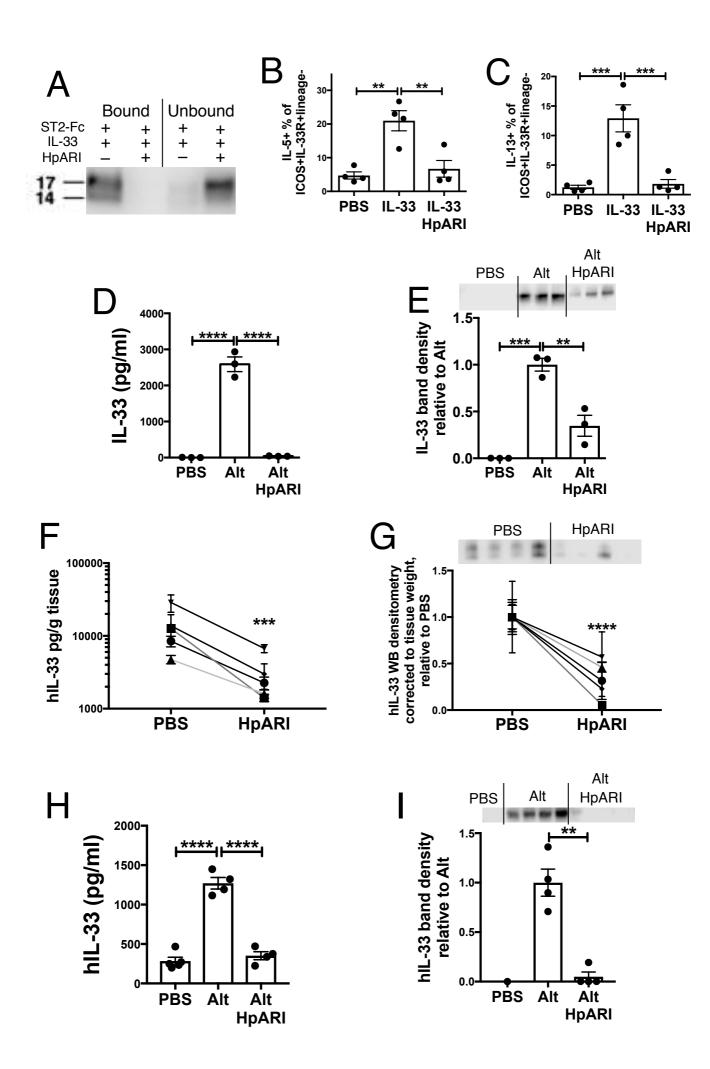
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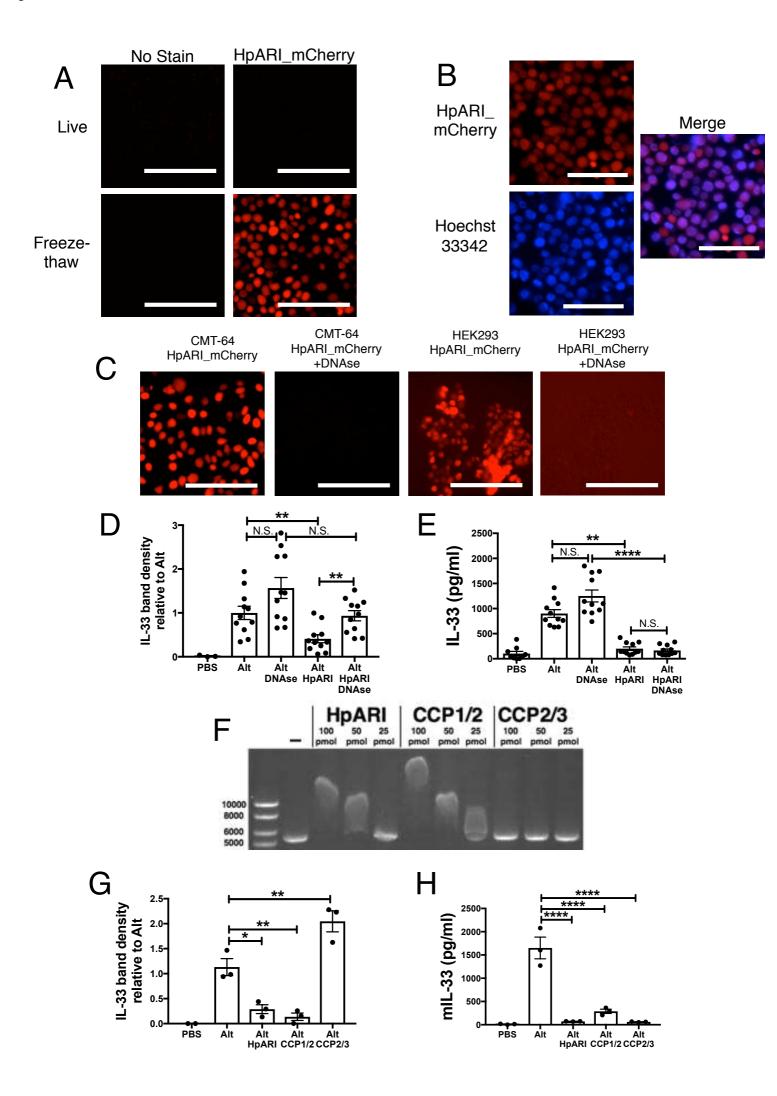
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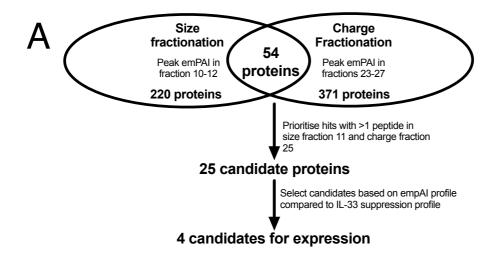


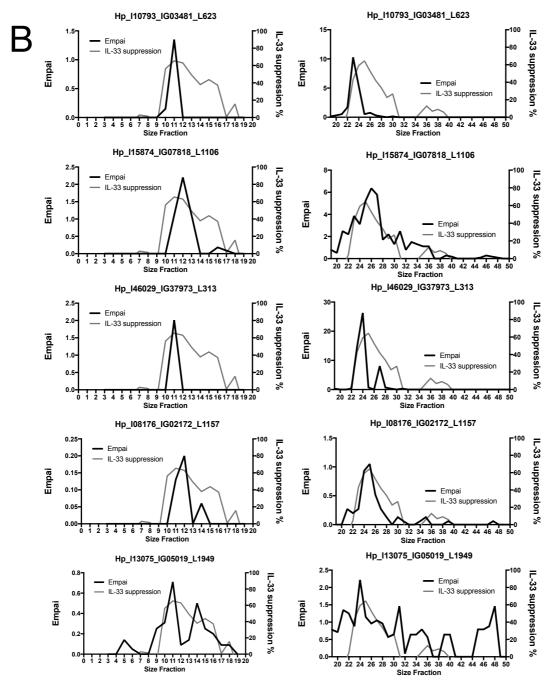
|                               |                                                                                                                                                                                               |       | Size fraction 11     |                               | Charge fraction 25 |                      |                               |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
|                               | Blast hit                                                                                                                                                                                     | emPAI | Mascot protein score | Rank<br>(of 194) <sup>a</sup> | emPAI              | Mascot protein score | Rank<br>(of 262) <sup>a</sup> |
| Hp_l10793_lG03481_L623        | No BLASTX similarities 13330478:13331100 forward                                                                                                                                              | 1.35  | 99                   | 57                            | 0.53               | 104                  | 77                            |
| Hp_I15874_IG07818_L1106       | BLASTX similarity to 66.67% ID to CBN-NUC-1 protein [Caenorhabditis brenneri] (376 aa, Accession: gil 341901954 gb EGT57889.1 )                                                               | 1.11  | 229                  | 19                            | 5.23               | 786                  | 2                             |
| Hp_I46029_IG37973_L313        | BLASTX similarity to 55.93% ID to unnamed protein product [Homo sapiens] (304 aa, Accession: gi 189069304  dbj BAG36336.1 )                                                                   | 2.01  | 67                   | 90                            | 0.73               | 50                   | 163                           |
| Hp_l08176_lG02172_L1157       | BLASTX similarity to 72.38% ID to PHA domain [Heligmosomoides polygyrus bakeri] (252 aa, Accession: gi  345499002 emb CCC54333.1 )                                                            | 0.13  | 61                   | 100                           | 1.05               | 353                  | 18                            |
| GSXTT4C07IB13H_length=4<br>63 | BLASTX similarity to 86.32% ID to venom allergen/<br>ancylostoma secreted protein-like 1 isoform 4<br>[Heligmosomoides polygyrus bakeri] (459 aa, Accession: gi <br>348659354 gb AEP82914.1 ) | 0.53  | 59                   | 105                           | 2.58               | 246                  | 1                             |
| Hp_l00796_lG00050_L1763       | BLASTX similarity to 60.51% ID to metalloprotease 1 precursor [Ancylostoma ceylanicum] (547 aa, Accession: gi  23268453 gb AAN11401.1 )                                                       | 0.37  | 163                  | 32                            | 0.78               | 518                  | 3                             |
| Hp_I03365_IG00388_L986        | BLASTX similarity to 83.05% ID to putative ES protein F7 [Ostertagia ostertagi] (181 aa, Accession: gi 18104159 emb  CAD20464.1 )                                                             | 0.2   | 73                   | 80                            | 3.37               | 408                  | 14                            |
| Hp_l05355_lG00918_L1570       | BLASTX similarity to 61.84% ID to astacin-like metalloprotease [Haemonchus contortus] (502 aa, Accession: gi 82653303 emb CAJ43810.1 )                                                        | 0.51  | 205                  | 20                            | 0.34               | 137                  | 20                            |
| Hp_l07496_lG01832_L2183       | BLASTX similarity to 49.47% ID to metalloprotease I [Ostertagia ostertagi] (573 aa, Accession: gi 25005280 emb  CAD28559.2 )                                                                  | 0.23  | 184                  | 24                            | 0.52               | 300                  | 26                            |
| Hp_l09193_lG02681_L996        | BLASTX similarity to 27.72% ID to Chain A, Caclcium-Bound Ac-Asp-7 (206 aa, Accession: gi 383875397 pdb  3S6U A)                                                                              | 0.2   | 78                   | 72                            | 1.28               | 312                  | 24                            |
| Hp_I09338_IG02753_L893        | BLASTX similarity to 69.57% ID to Chain A, Glutathione Transferase-2, Apo Form, From The Nematode Heligmosomoides Polygyrus (206 aa, Accession: gil 51247756 pdb 1TW9 A)                      | 0.36  | 81                   | 60                            | 0.23               | 90                   | 59                            |
| Hp_l12757_lG04701_L2227       | BLASTX similarity to 69.27% ID to hypothetical protein CAEBREN_19315 [Caenorhabditis brenneri] (713 aa, Accession: gi 341886485 gb EGT42420.1 )                                               | 0.9   | 321                  | 9                             | 0.29               | 119                  | 67                            |
| Hp_l12915_lG04859_L2071       | BLASTX similarity to 74.56% ID to hypothetical protein CAEBREN_01953 [Caenorhabditis brenneri] (594 aa, Accession: gi 341889762 gb EGT45697.1 )                                               | 0.25  | 146                  | 39                            | 0.43               | 190                  | 39                            |
| Hp_l13075_lG05019_L1949       | BLASTX similarity to 25.30% ID to GD14343 [Drosophila simulans] (699 aa, Accession: gi 195589672 ref  XP_002084573.1])                                                                        | 0.71  | 317                  | 10                            | 1.15               | 478                  | 8                             |
| Hp_l13426_lG05370_L1731       | BLASTX similarity to 61.51% ID to hexokinase [Haemonchus contortus] (485 aa, Accession: gi 4583627  emb CAB40412.1 )                                                                          | 1.51  | 564                  | 4                             | 0.81               | 409                  | 13                            |
| Hp_l13832_lG05776_L1555       | BLASTX similarity to 59.25% ID to metalloprotease III [Ostertagia ostertagi] (507 aa, Accession: gi 21425408 emb  CAD19995.2 )                                                                | 0.6   | 152                  | 38                            | 0.9                | 340                  | 20                            |
| Hp_I14648_IG06592_L1319       | No BLASTX similarities 18271778:18273096 forward                                                                                                                                              | 1.67  | 280                  | 15                            | 0.75               | 180                  | 41                            |
| Hp_I14766_IG06710_L1294       | BLASTX similarity to 42.09% ID to Hyaluronidase-1, partial [Ascaris suum] (439 aa, Accession: gi 324516157 gb  ADY46439.1 )                                                                   | 0.15  | 57                   | 109                           | 0.42               | 96                   | 86                            |
| Hp_l15012_lG06956_L1244       | BLASTX similarity to 71.51% ID to hypothetical protein CRE_02222 [Caenorhabditis remanei] (368 aa, Accession: gi 308509410 ref XP_003116888.1 )                                               | 0.56  | 167                  | 21                            | 0.25               | 138                  | 57                            |
| Hp_l15720_lG07664_L1128       | BLASTX similarity to 83.79% ID to hypothetical protein CRE_30062 [Caenorhabditis remanei] (425 aa, Accession: gi 308473183 ref XP_003098817.1 )                                               | 0.5   | 180                  | 26                            | 0.28               | 88                   | 99                            |
| Hp_l15761_lG07705_L1121       | BLASTX similarity to 78.44% ID to hypothetical protein CAEBREN_23086 [Caenorhabditis brenneri] (322 aa, Accession: gi 341889746 gb EGT45681.1 )                                               | 0.18  | 41                   | 144                           | 1.47               | 368                  | 16                            |
| Hp_l16083_lG08027_L1071       | BLASTX similarity to 28.20% ID to Complement factor H [Ascaris suum] (1358 aa, Accession: gi 324499597 gb  ADY39830.1 )                                                                       | 0.41  | 72                   | 85                            | 0.19               | 42                   | 186                           |
| Hp_l28418_lG20362_L498        | BLASTX similarity to 45.24% ID to hypothetical protein CRE_02231 [Caenorhabditis remanei] (147 aa, Accession: gi 308510374 ref XP_003117370.1 )                                               | 0.43  | 42                   | 141                           | 0.43               | 67                   | 122                           |
| Hpb-APY-2                     | No BLASTX analysis performed; (File Apyrase 124-3 (iso 07051) 081110) 1062 nt                                                                                                                 | 5.9   | 654                  | 2                             | 0.3                | 58                   | 137                           |
| Hpb-GST-2                     | No BLASTX analysis performed; partial (no N-terminus)<br>AF128959                                                                                                                             | 1.07  | 96                   | 60                            | 0.79               | 138                  | 59                            |

a) Rank of 194 proteins in size fraction 11 or 262 candidates in charge fraction 25 determined by Mascot score, with a minimum score of 20

# **Supplementary Table 1 (related to Figure 1):**

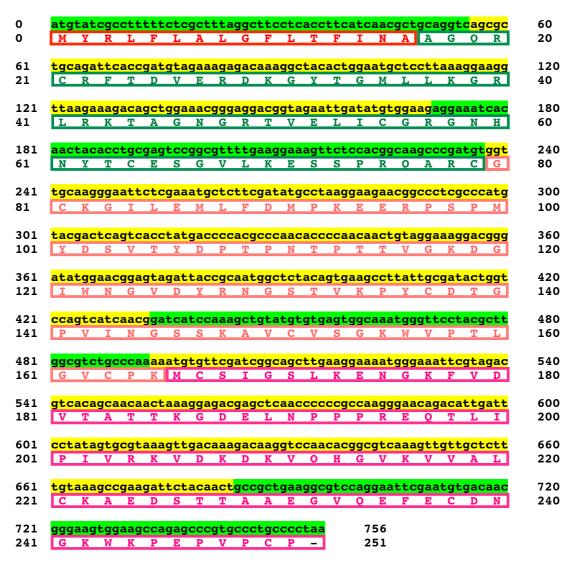
Candidate genes with emPAI peaking in size fractions 10-12 and charge fraction 23-27. Data shown for peak IL-33 suppressive fraction (size = 11, charge = 25).

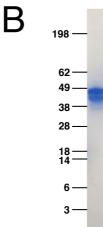




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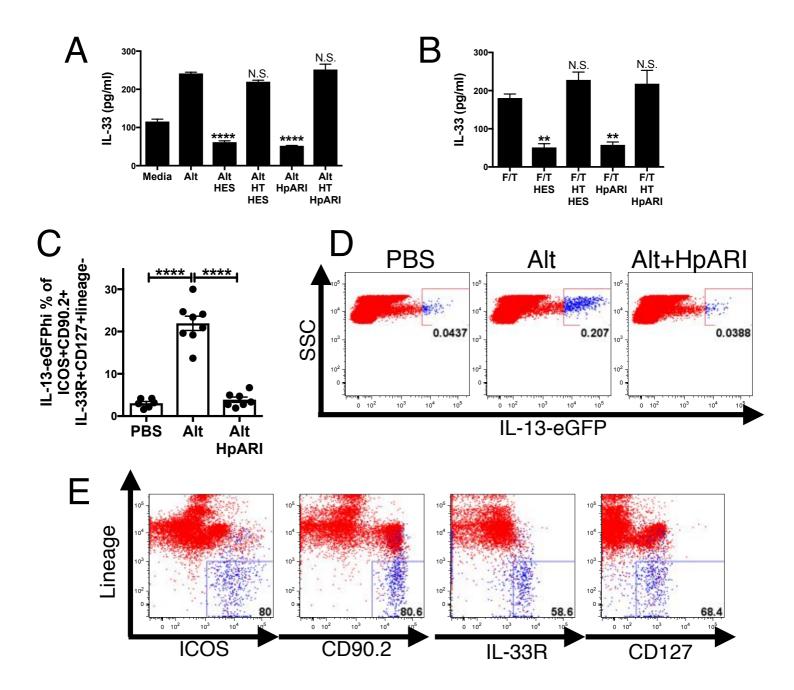
- A. Candidate protein selection strategy
- B. Candidate protein Empai profile and IL-33 suppression profile in HES size (left panels) and charge (right panels) fractions. The 4 candidate proteins tested in Fig 2A are shown followed by a candidate not selected for further testing (Hp\_I13075\_IG05019\_L1949), for comparison.





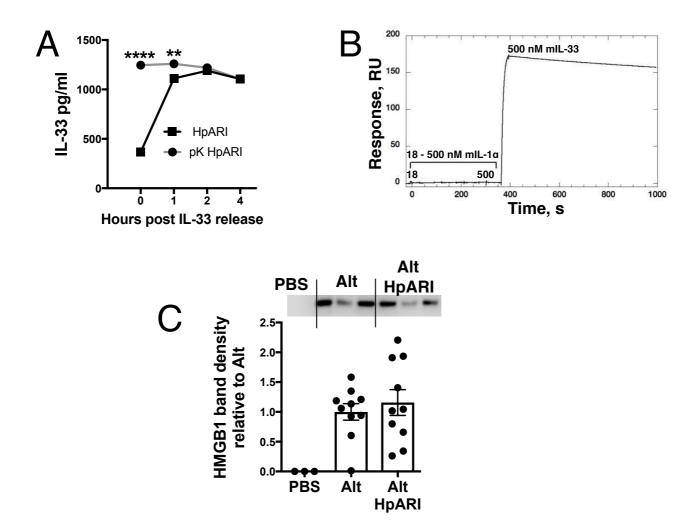
# **Supplementary Figure 2 (Related to Figure 2):**

- A. HpARI cDNA sequence showing intron/exon boundaries (green/yellow highlight) and amino acid domains (coloured boxes/text, red = signal peptide, green = CCP1, salmon = CCP2, pink = CCP3)
- B. Coomassie-stained purified HpARI (2  $\mu$ g), purified by nickel affinity chromatography.



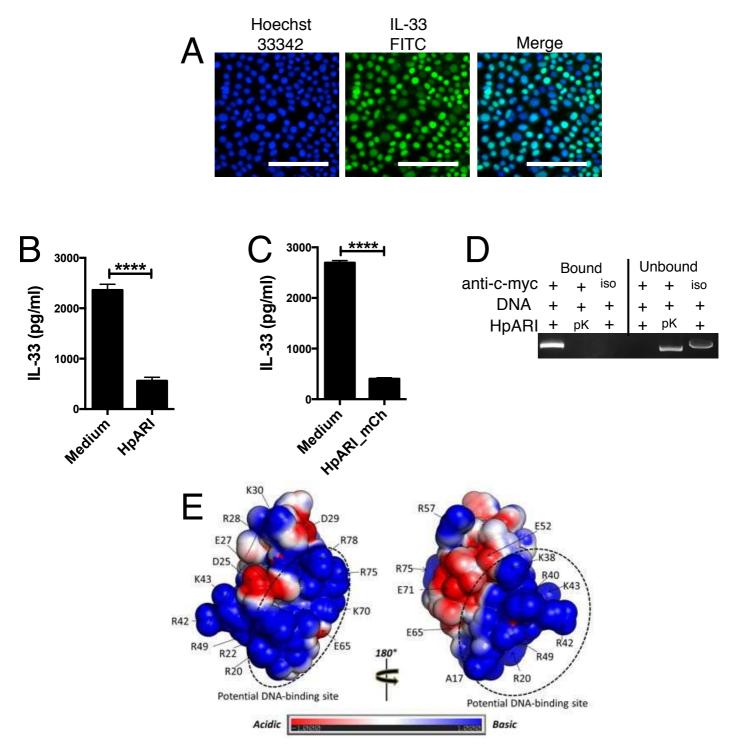
#### Supplementary Figure 3 (Related to Figure 3):

- (A) Naive mouse lung cells were cultured in the presence of Alternaria (200 μg/ml) and 10 μg/ml HES or HpARI for 1 h or heat-treated (95°C for 30 min) HES or HpARI (HT HES or HT HpARI). IL-33 in supernatants was measured by ELISA.
- (B) Naive murine lung cells were subjected to freeze/thaw treatment (F/T) in the presence of HES, HpARI, HT HES or HT HpARI. IL-33 in supernatants was measured by ELISA.
- \*\*\*\*\* = p< 0.0001, \*\* = p<0.01, N.S. = Not significant (p>0.05), compared to Alternaria or freeze/thaw (F/T) control. Standard error of means of 3 replicates, representative of 2-3 repeat experiments.
- (C) IL-13-eGFP<sup>hi</sup> proportion of ICOS+CD90.2+IL-33R+CD127+lineage— ILC2s in the lung, 24 h after intranasal administration of Alternaria allergen and HpARI to IL-13-eGFP reporter mice. Results pooled from 2 repeat experiments. \*\*\*\* = p< 0.0001
- (D) Representative FACS plots of IL-13-eGFP in live CD45+ lung lymphocytes from mouse shown in (C)
- (E) Representative FACS plots of IL-13-eGFP<sup>hi</sup> cells (blue) and total CD45+ live lung lymphocytes (red) from an Alternaria-treated IL-13-eGFP reporter mouse.



#### **Supplementary Figure 4 (Related to Figure 5):**

- (A) CMT-64 cell supernatants were taken after freeze-thaw and treated with HpARI or proteinase K-digested and heat-treated HpARI over a timecourse after thaw, as in Figure 5C
- (B) Surface plasmon resonance was carried out using mIL-1a or mIL-33 as a ligand for HpARI.
- (C) HMGB1 western blots taken 15 min after Alternaria+/- HpARI administration. Pooled from 3 replicate experiments.



#### **Supplementary Figure 5 (Related to Figure 7):**

- (A) CMT-64 cells were fixed and permeabilised, before staining with goat anti-mouse IL-33, followed by rabbit anti-goat IgG FITC secondary and counterstained with Hoechst 33342 nuclear stain. Scale bars indicate 100  $\mu$ m.
- (B) CMT-64 cells were subjected to freeze/thaw necrosis in the presence of 5  $\mu$ g/ml HpARI and IL-33 in the supernatant measured by ELISA.
- (C) CMT-64 cells were subjected to freeze/thaw necrosis in the presence of 5  $\mu$ g/ml HpARI\_mCherry and IL-33 in the supernatant measured by ELISA. \*\*\*\* = p<0.0001
- **(D)** Immunoprecipitation of plasmid DNA by myc-tagged HpARI, but not by proteinase K and heat treated HpARI (pK) nor with isotype control antibody.
- **(E)** Two views rotated by 180° along the y-axis depicting the electrostatic surface map of the 3-D model of HpARI CCP1 (calculated using APBS) revealing key residues contributing to the highly basic surface (coloured blue) that may confer DNA-binding properties; acidic surface residues are shown in red. A scaled range of -1kT to +1 kT was used, where k=Boltzman's constant and T= Temperature in Kelvins.