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Comparison of whole blood transcriptome responses of Atlantic salmon infected by three *Piscine orthoreovirus* (PRV) variants

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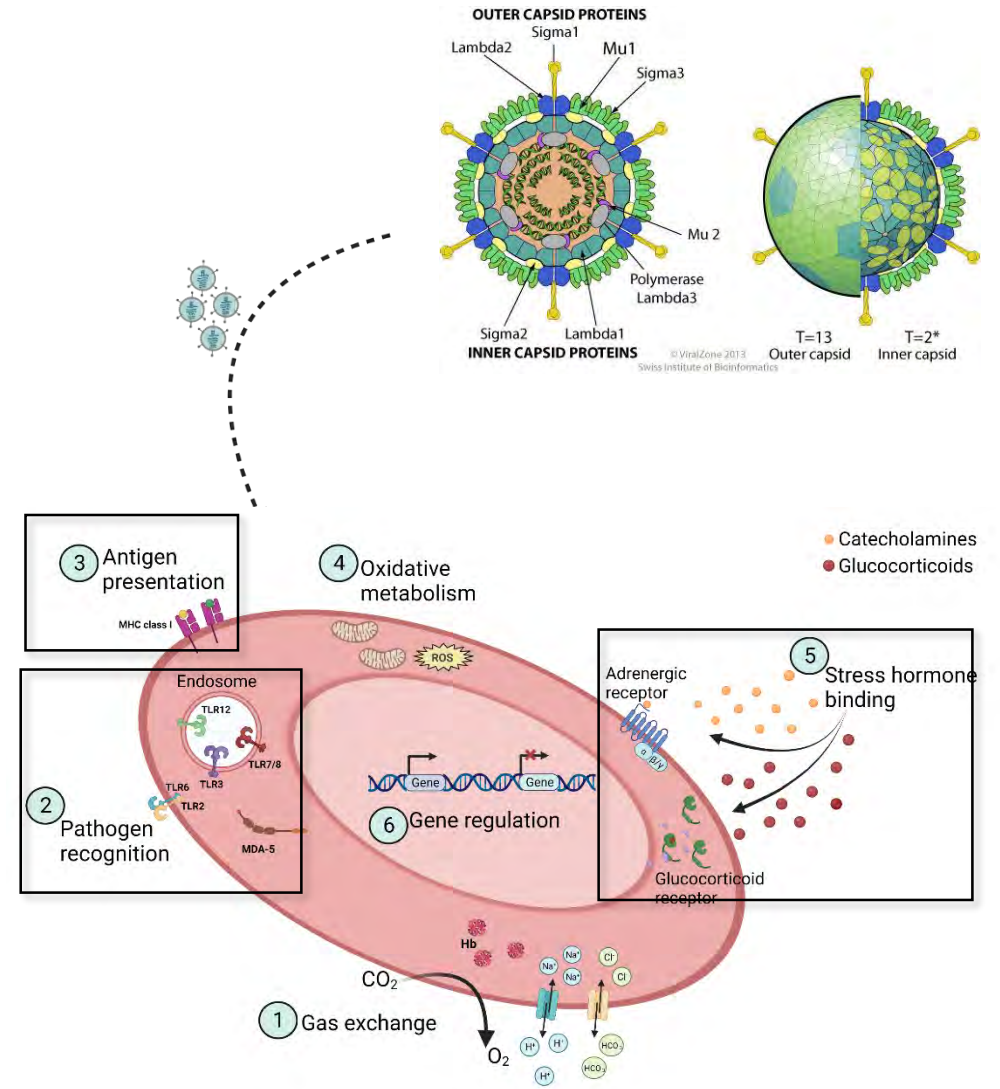
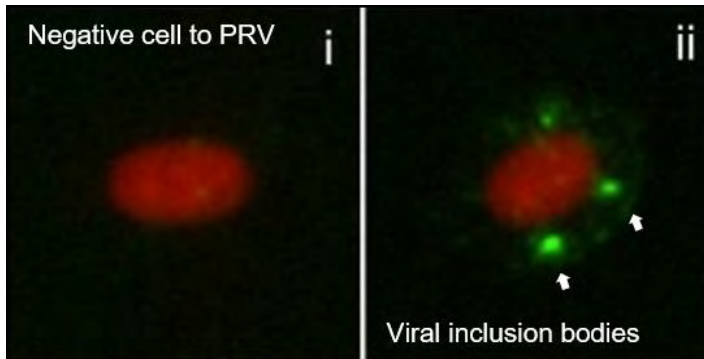
PRV, a dsRNA virus, infects red blood cells (RBCs) of Atlantic salmon



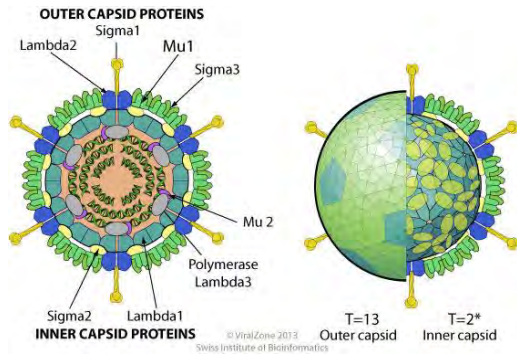
Piscine orthoreovirus (PRV) infects Atlantic salmon erythrocytes

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PRV can infect various salmonid species and cause different diseases



- 3 known subtypes:
PRV-1, PRV-2 & PRV-3
- Genetic identity:
PRV-1 & PRV-3 ~90%
PRV-1 & PRV-2 ~80%
- No cases of PRV-2 infection in Norway

Atlantic salmon



Source: Seafish image

PRV-1

- ▶ Heart & skeletal muscle inflammation (HSMI)
- ▶ Few reports of anemia

Rainbow trout



Source: Seafish image

PRV-3

- ▶ HSMI-like
- ▶ Anemia

Coho salmon



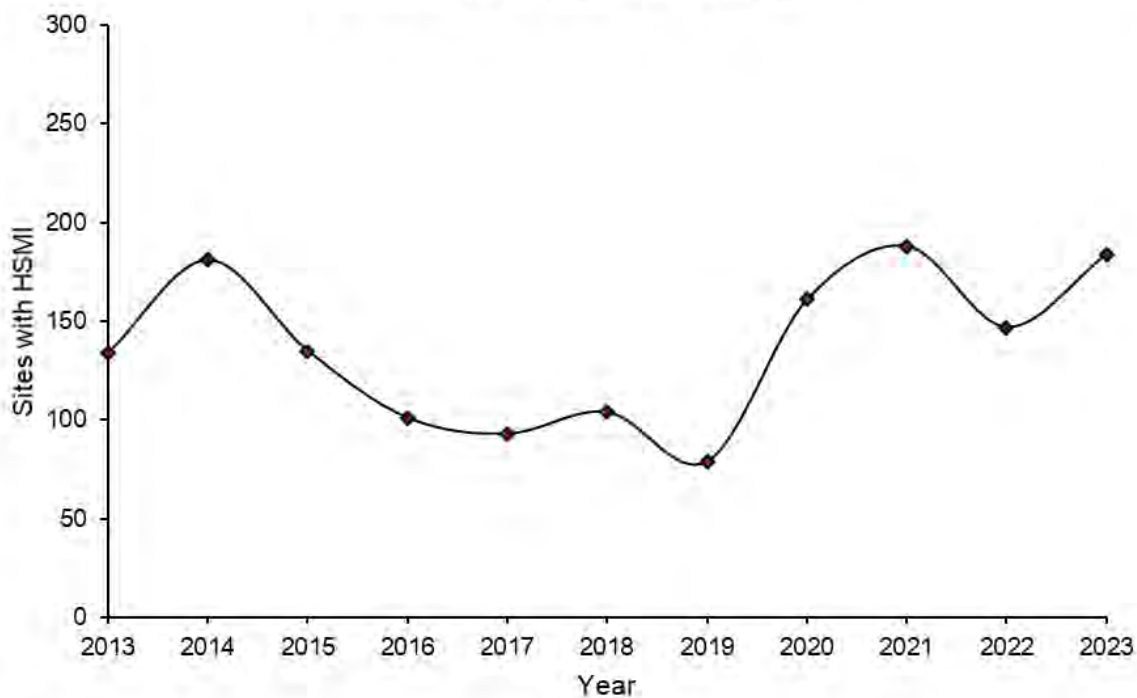
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PRV-2

- ▶ Erythrocytic inclusion body syndrome (EIBS)
- ▶ Anemia

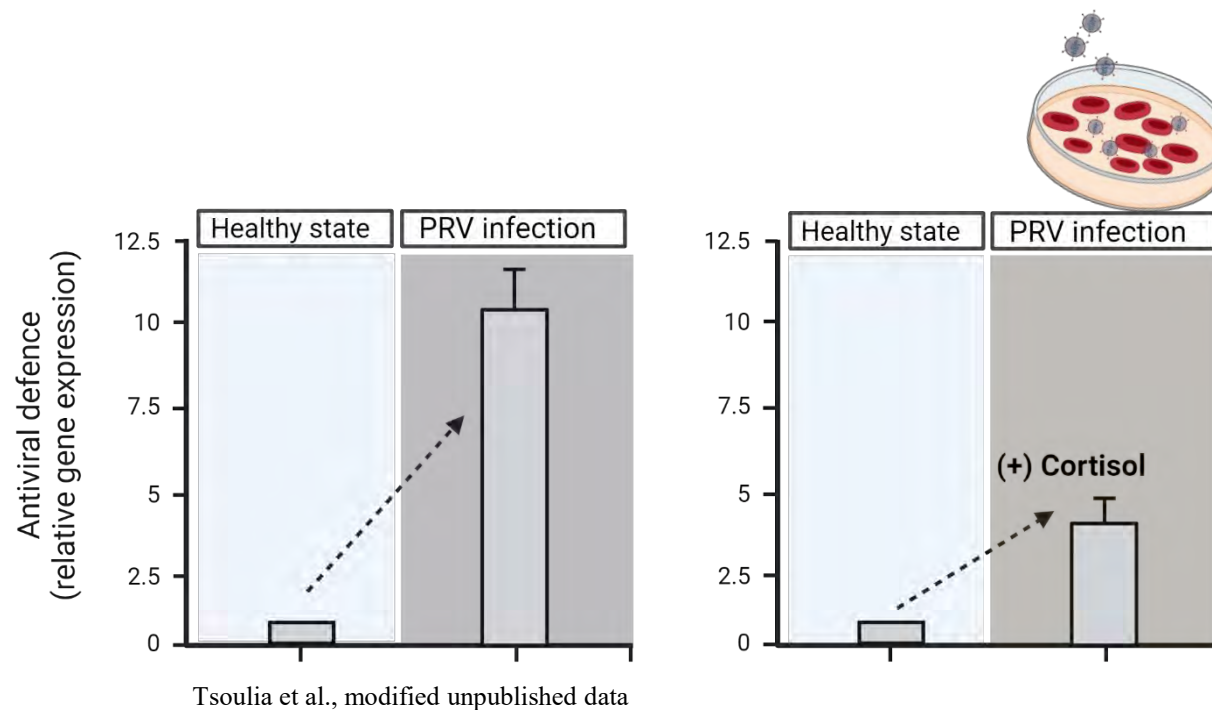
HSMI in Norwegian aquaculture

HSMI in farmed Atlantic salmon



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- ▶ HSMI outbreaks in the marine phase
- ▶ Up to 20% mortality rate
- ▶ PRV in asymptomatic fish population
- ▶ HSMI outbreaks are linked to stress by handling routines



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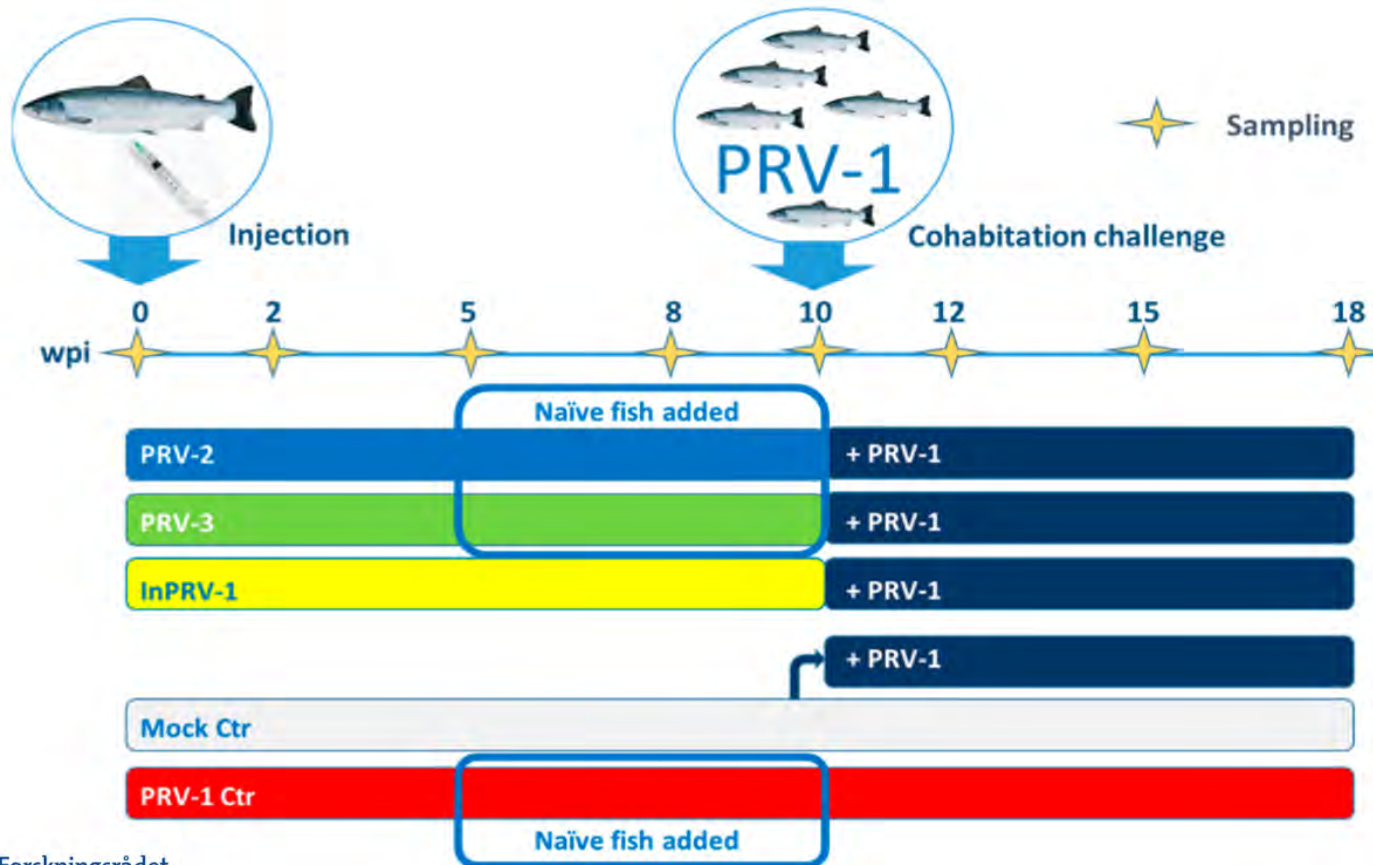
Piscine Orthoreovirus (PRV)-3, but Not PRV-2, Cross-Protects against PRV-1 and Heart and Skeletal Muscle Inflammation in Atlantic Salmon

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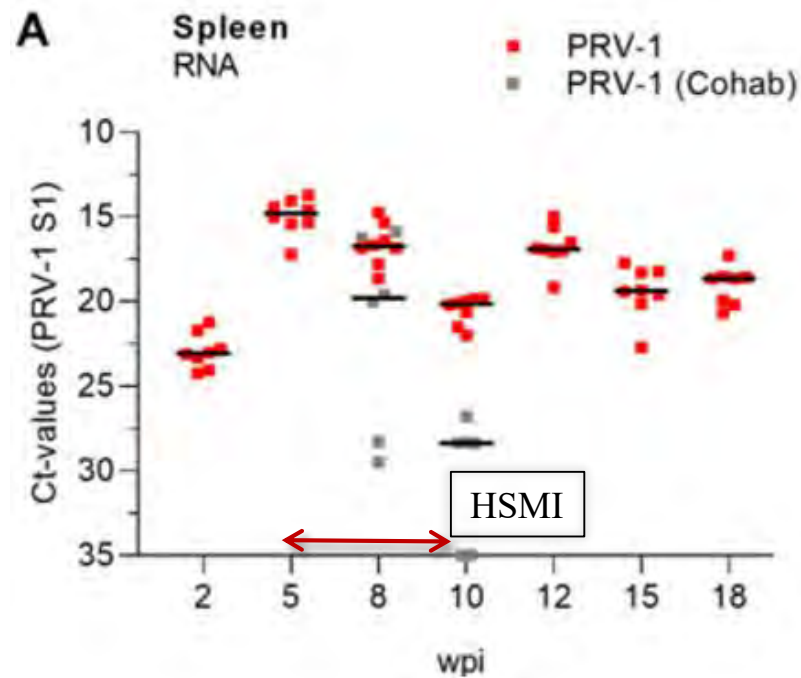


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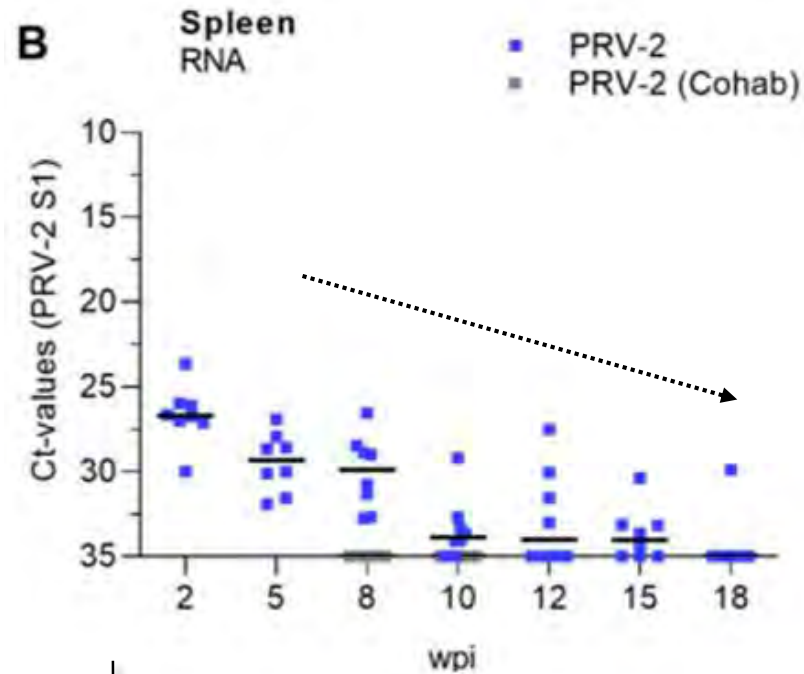
- Can PRV-2 and PRV-3 infect A. salmon?
- Can PRV-2 and/or PRV-3 efficiently protect A. salmon from PRV-1 & HSMI?

PRV variants can infect Atlantic salmon when injected IP



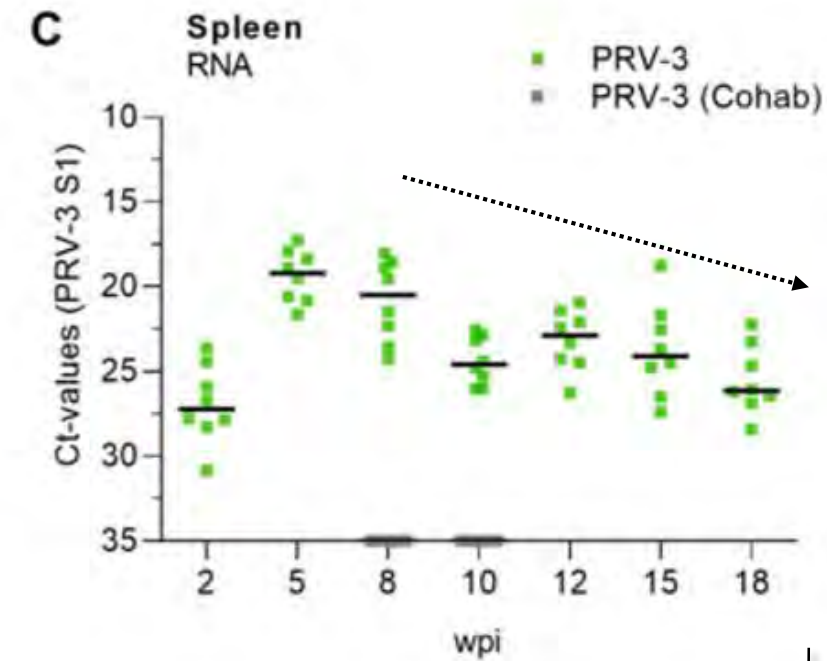
PRV-1:

- ▶ HSMI ~week 5
- ▶ Transmission to naïve cohabitants
- ▶ Persist over time

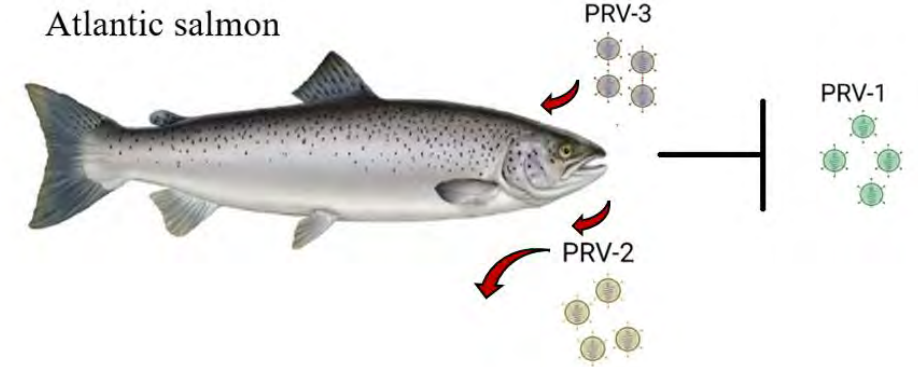


PRV-2 & PRV-3 infection:

- ▶ No pathogenesis in Atlantic salmon
- ▶ No transmission to naïve cohabitants



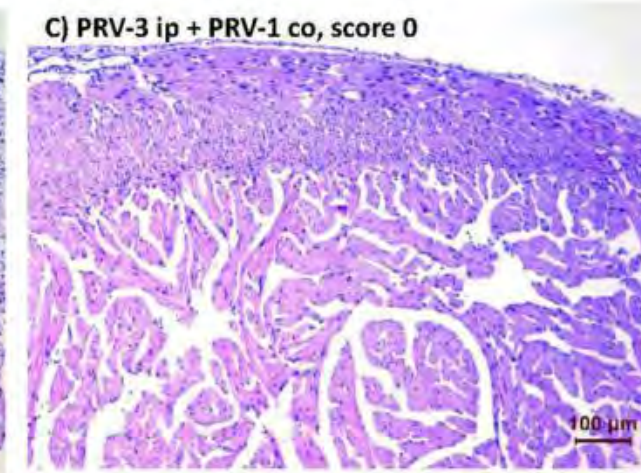
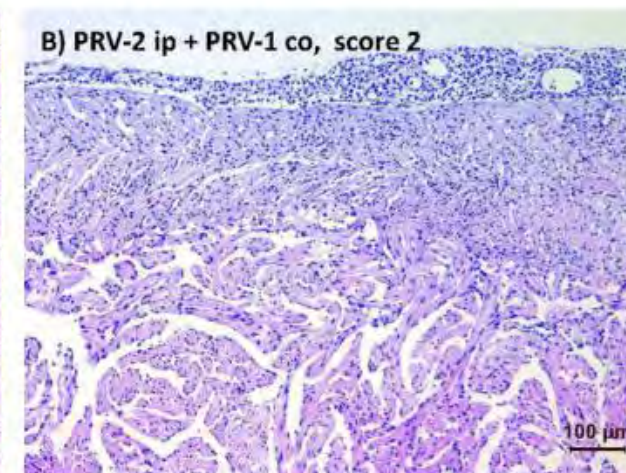
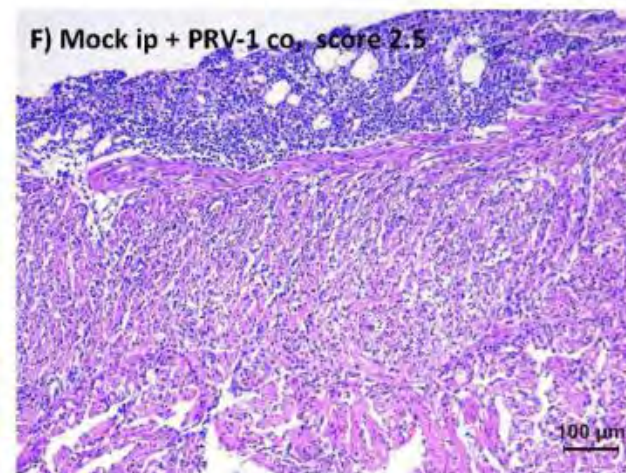
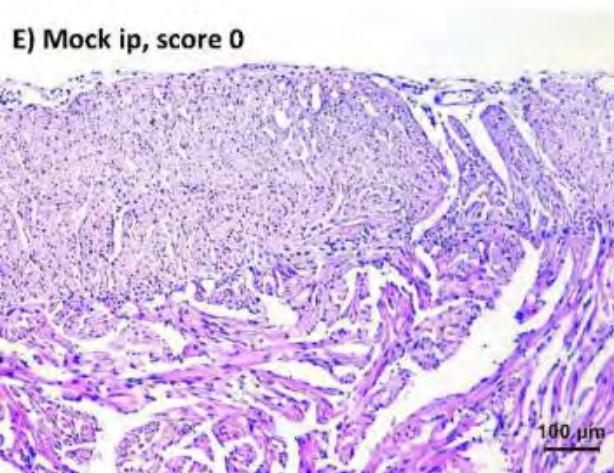
Secondary infection with PRV-1 shedders



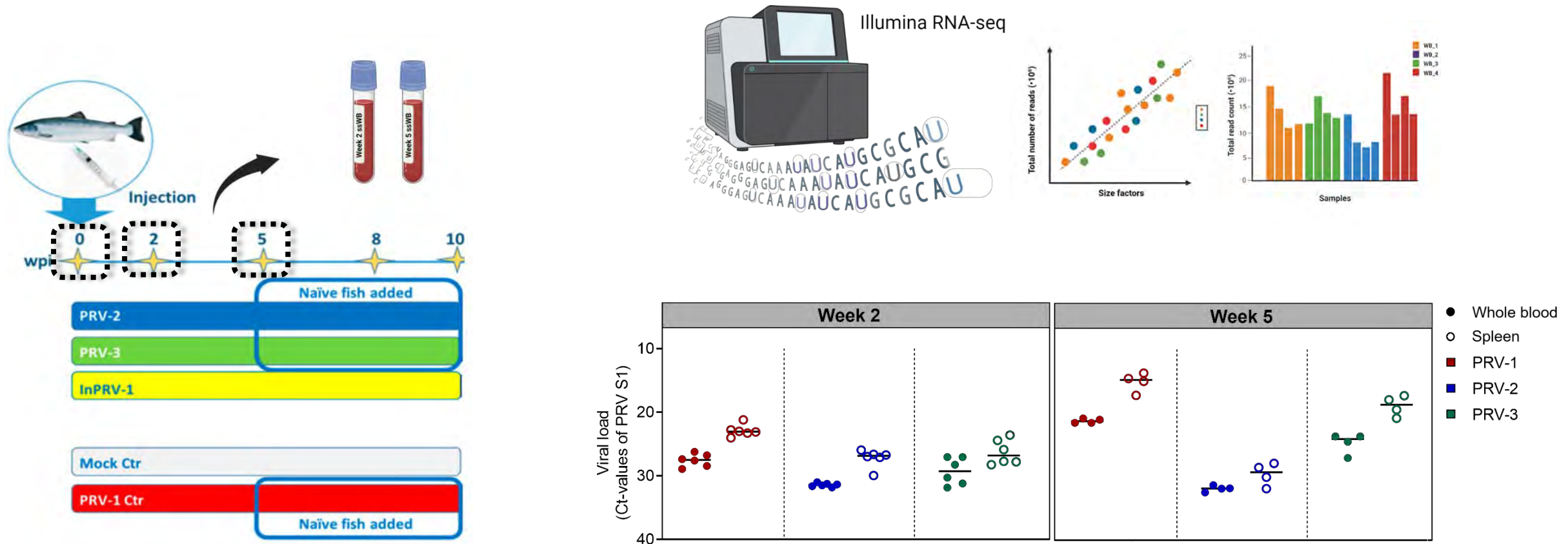
(+) *Non-immunized control* → HSMI (Fig. F)

(+) *PRV-2 immunization* → Partial protection against HSMI (Fig. B)

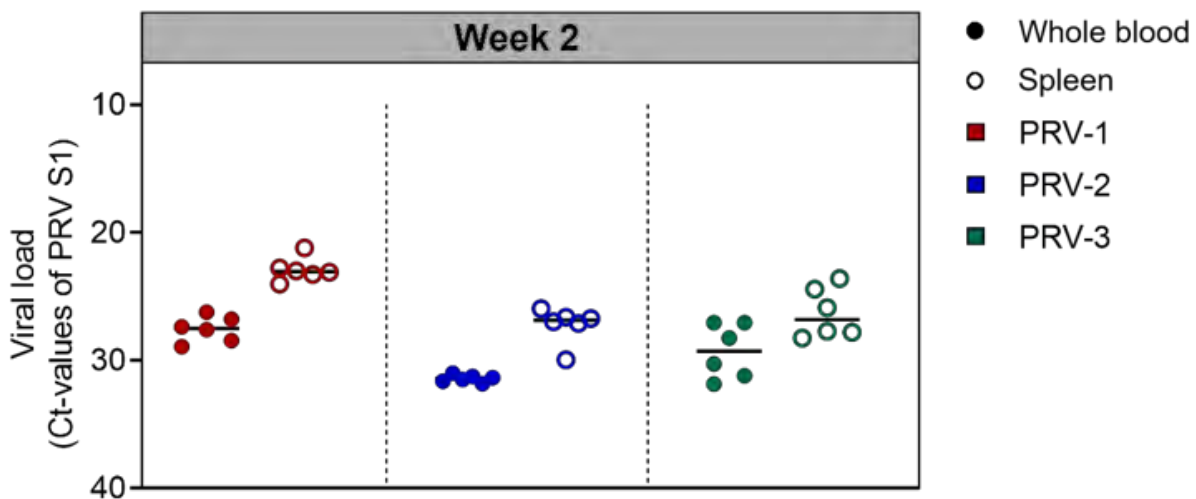
(+) *PRV-3 immunization* → Protection against PRV-1 infection & HSMI (Fig. C)



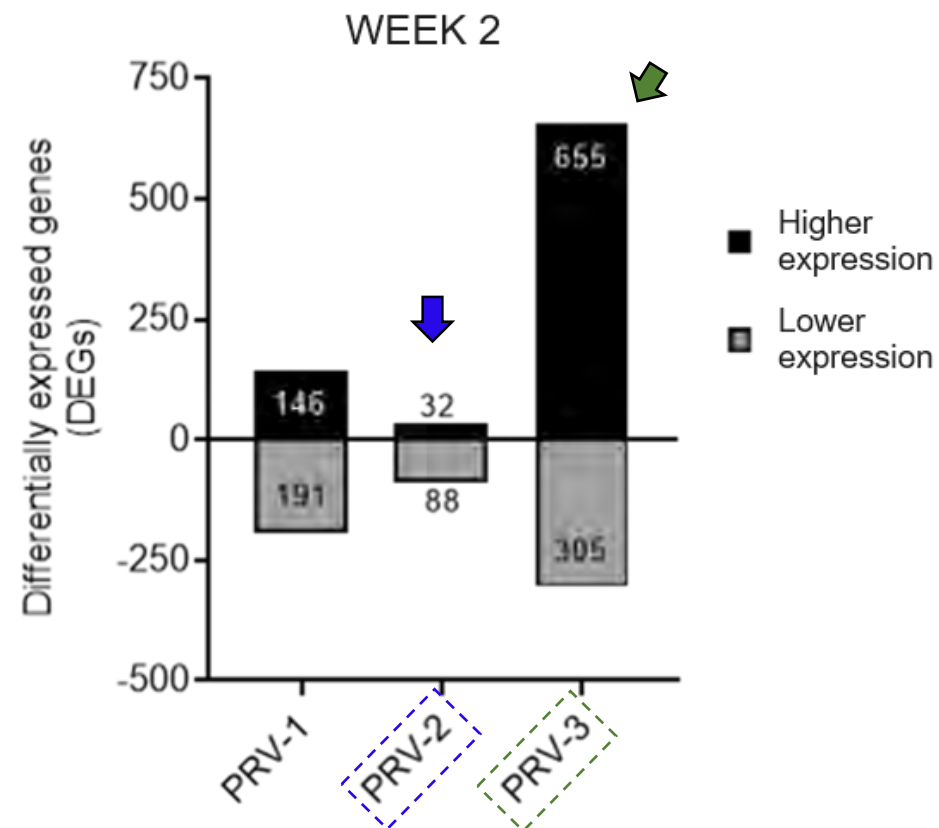
Any transcriptional differences in whole blood of Atlantic salmon infected by PRV-1, PRV-2 & PRV-3?



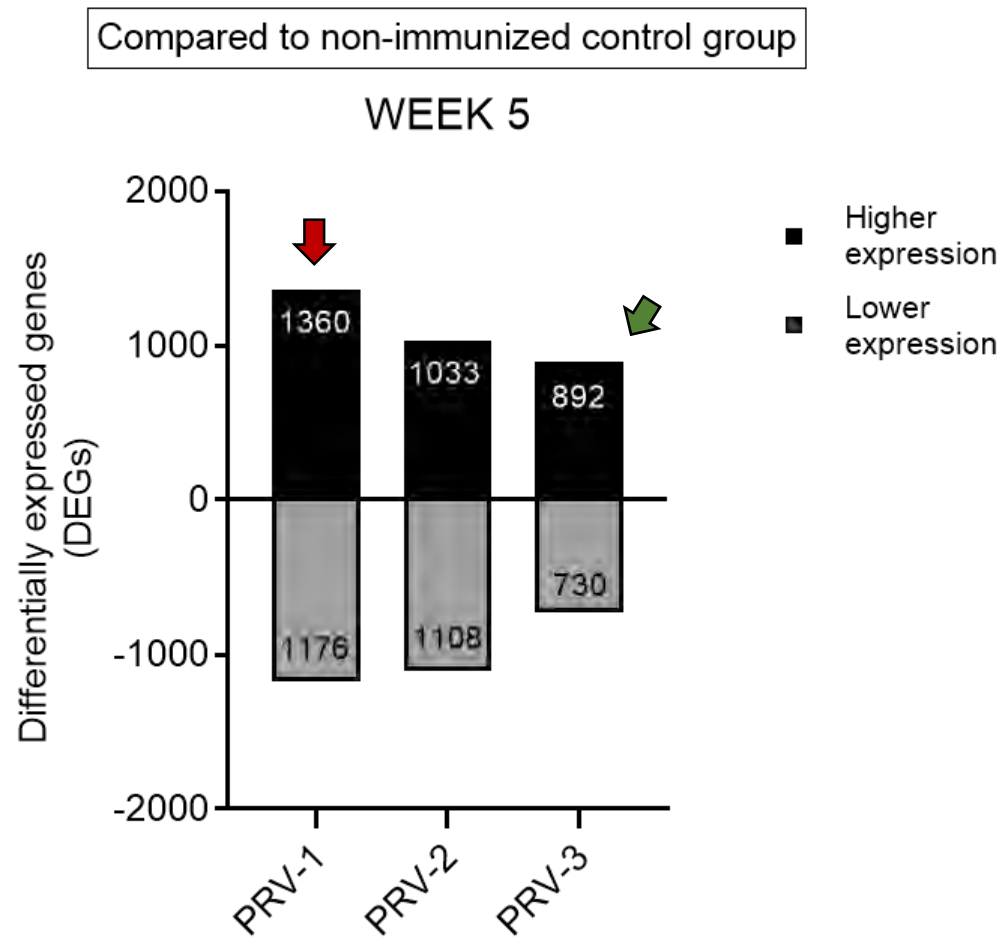
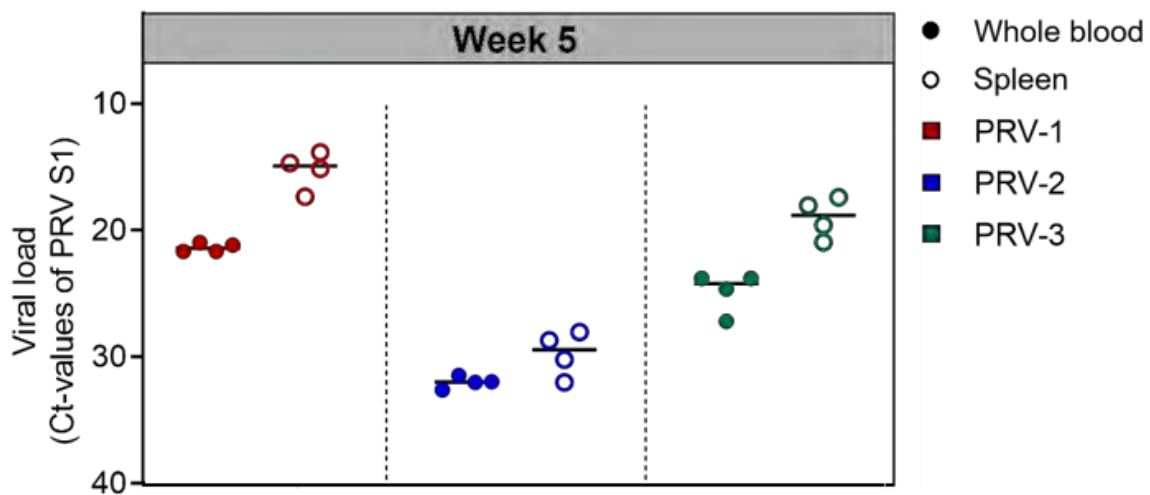
PRV-3 triggered the strongest transcriptional responses at week 2



Compared to non-immunized control group

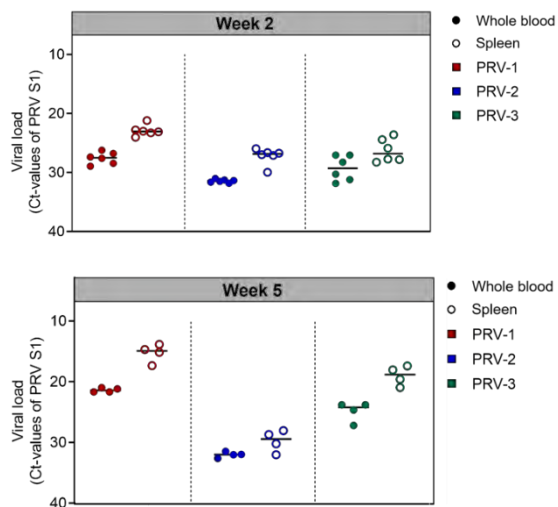
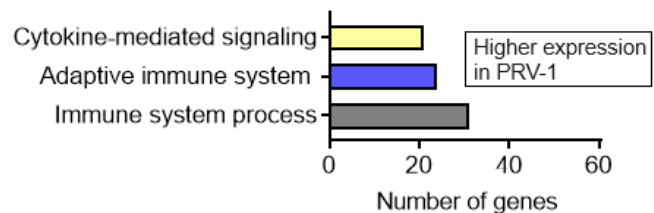


PRV-1 triggered the strongest transcriptional responses at week 5

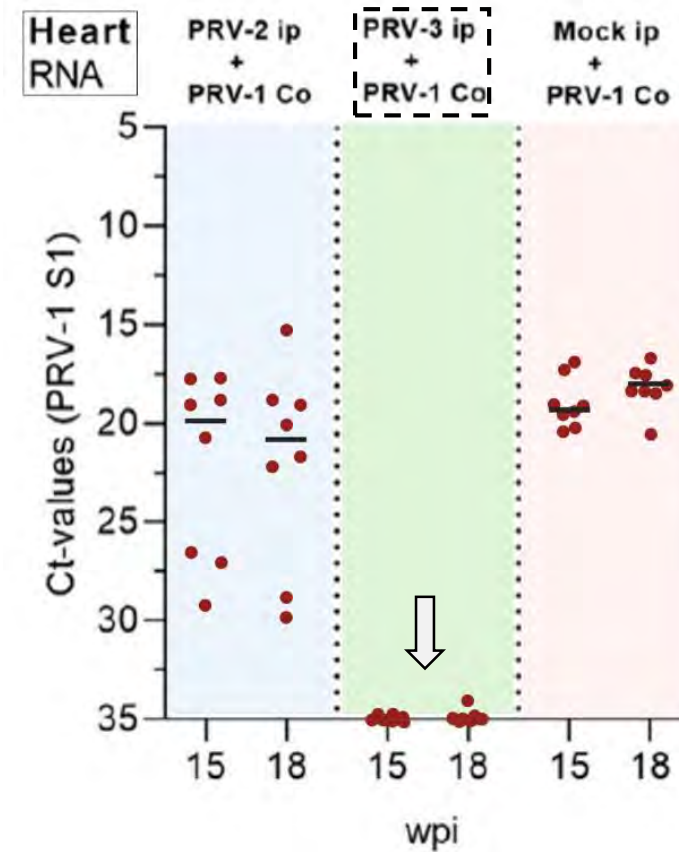
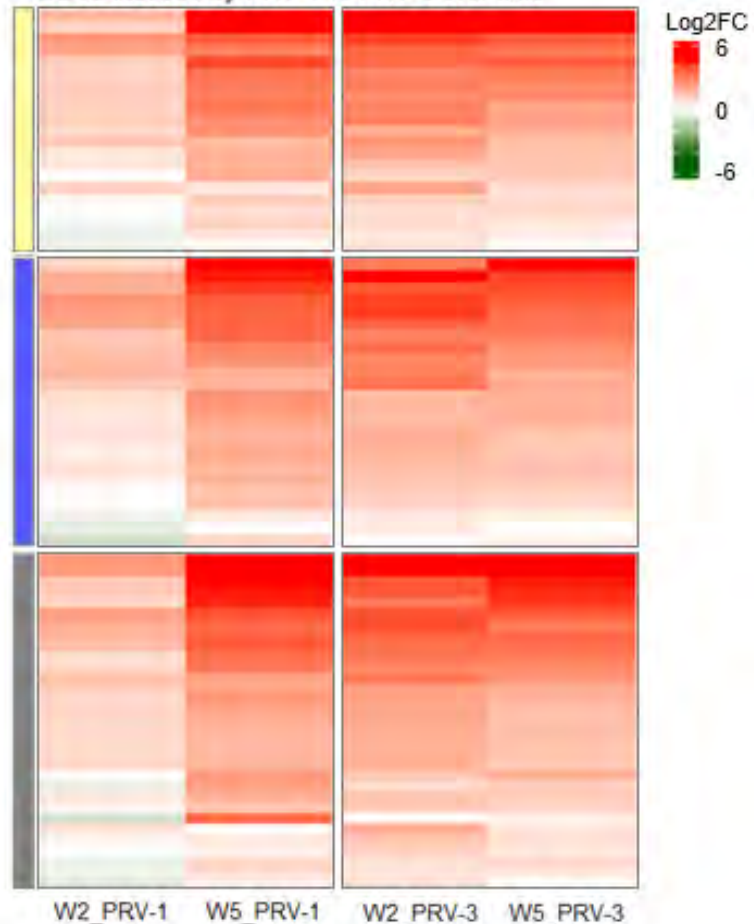


PRV-3 induces immune responses **similar** to PRV-1 but **earlier**

Functional groups: *PRV-1 vs PRV-3*

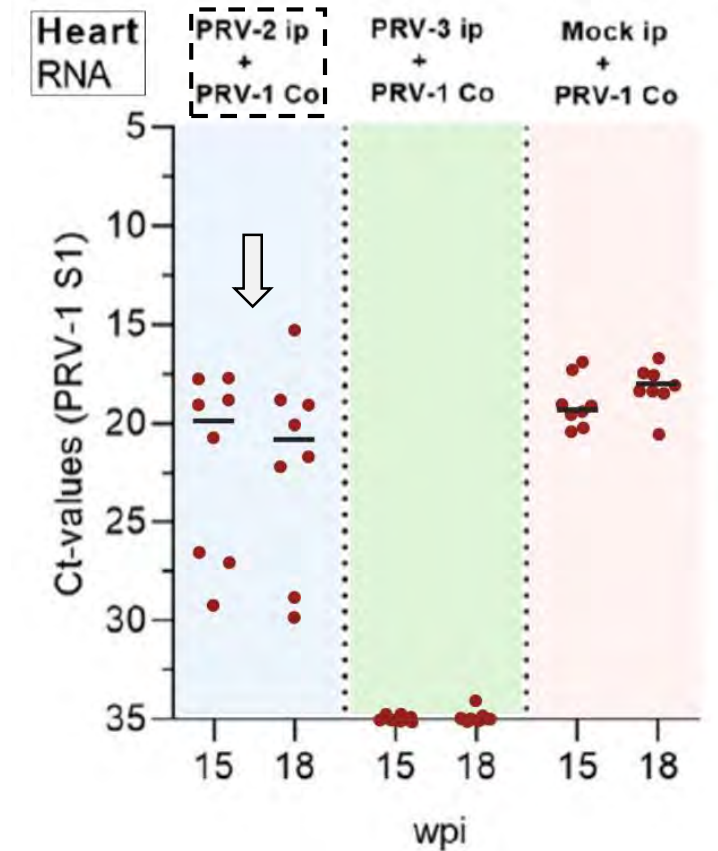
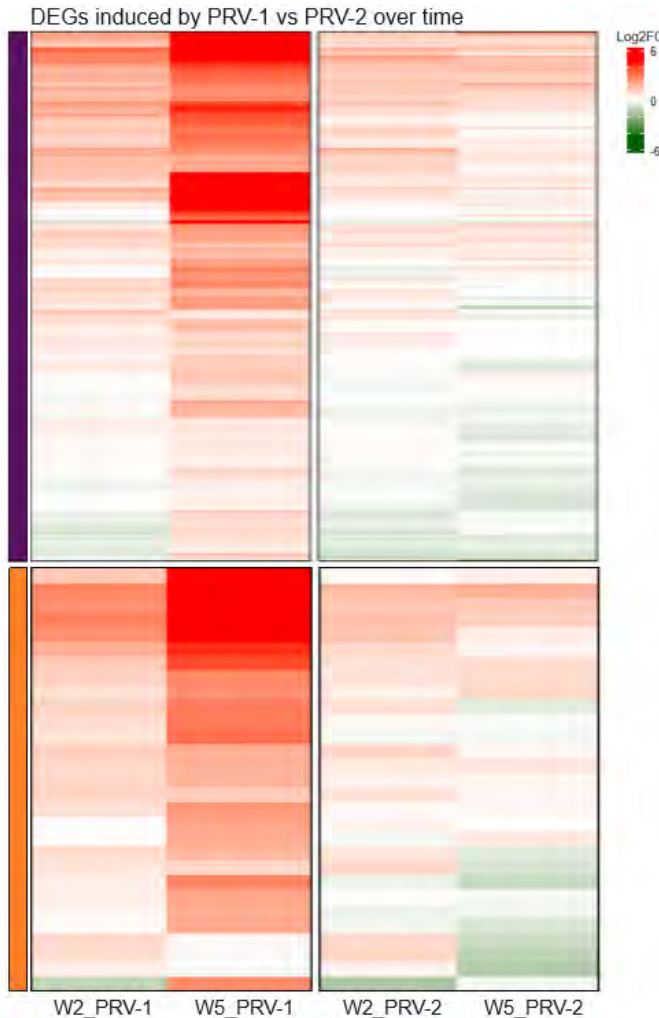
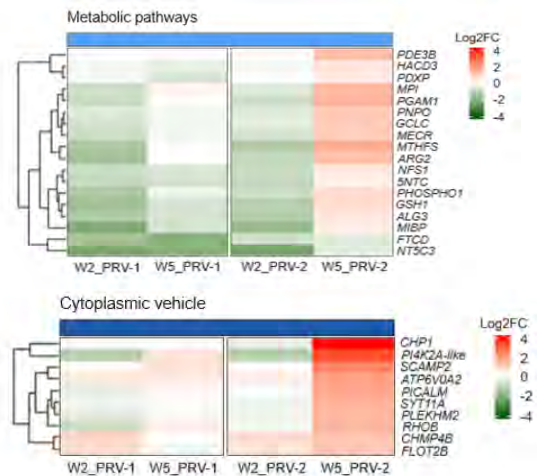
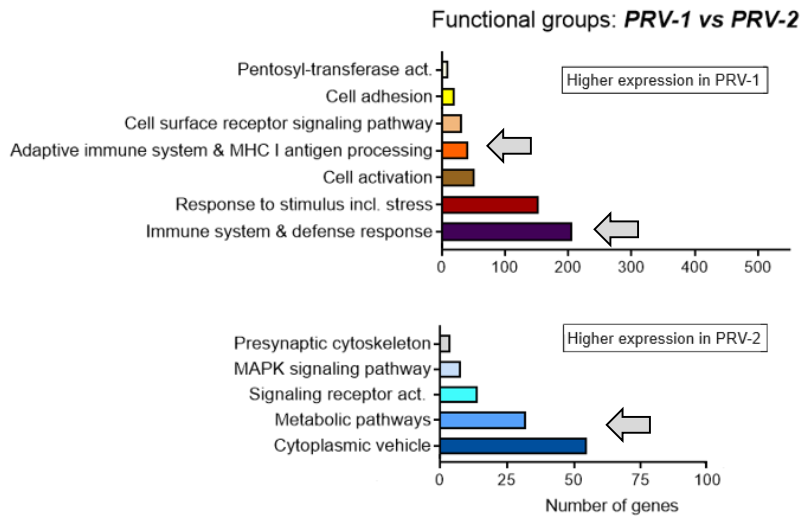


DEGs induced by PRV-1 vs PRV-3 over time



- ▶ No detection of PRV-1 in the heart
- ▶ Protection against HSMI

PRV-2 has a similar expression pattern to PRV-1 at week 2 and only induces effectors of metabolic pathways at week 5



- Detection of high PRV-1 levels in the heart
- Some protection against HSMI

To sum up:

PRV-2:

- similar expression profile with PRV-1 at week 2
- interfere with metabolic processes at week 5

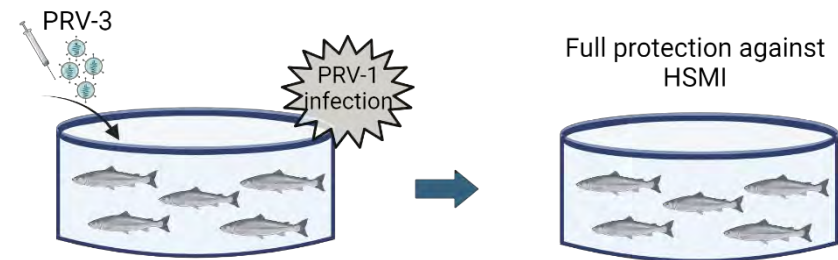
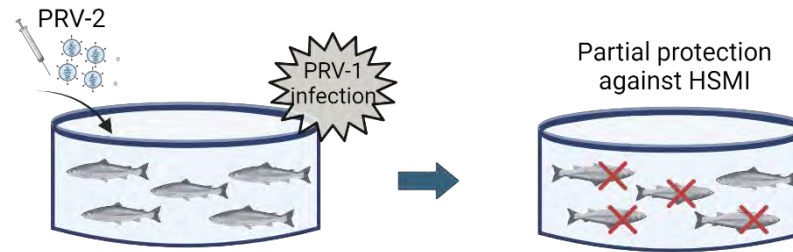
→ Small protection efficiency

PRV-3:

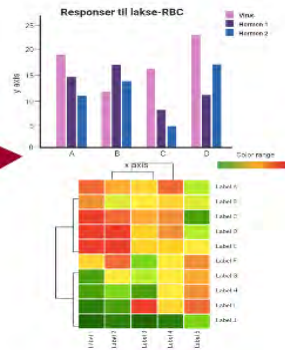
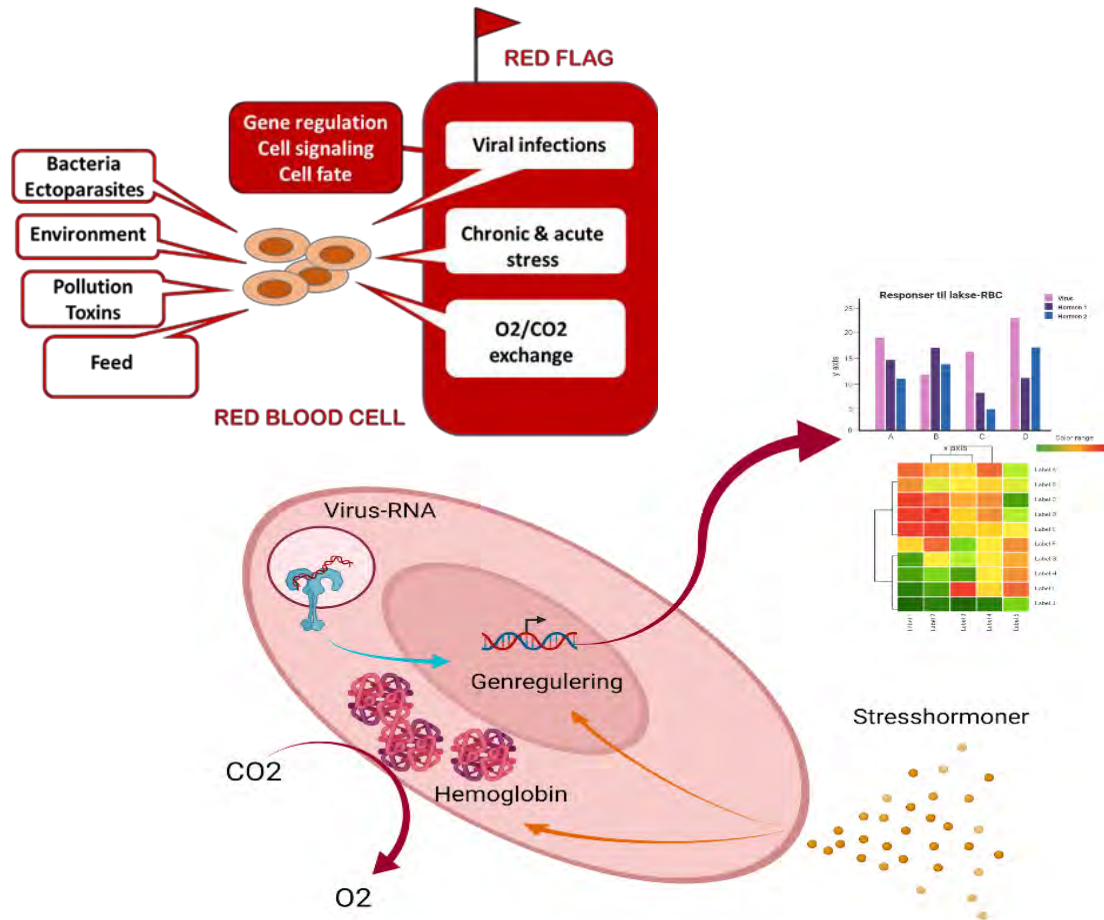
- strong immune responses at week 2, similar to PRV-1 at week 5

→ Successful protection against PRV-1 and HSMI

→ *Development of a vaccine based on PRV-3 responses?*



Salmonid red blood cells as sensors of stress and infection



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KUNNSKAP OM FISKEHELSE
I denne spalten vil Veterinærinstituttet i hvert nummer bidra med oppdatert kunnskap om fiskehelse. Ansvaret for spalten er forsker Mona Gjessing mona.gjessing@vetinst.no

Røde blodceller – er de sensorer for laksens helsetilstand?

Det er ikke tvil om at røde blodceller er livsviktige, siden de forsyner kroppen med oksygen, og laksens blodceller frakter oksygen kanskje enda mer effektivt enn våre blodceller gjør. Men det er ikke det eneste de røde blodcellene i laksen kan. De har en cellekjerne som kan

De røde blodcellene hos fisk og fugl har cellekjerne og er svært forskjellige fra våre. Hvis vi ser i mikroskopet på cellene i blodet fra fisk og fugl og sammenlikner med vårt eget blod er det helt åpenbare forskjeller. Fiskens røde blodceller er større enn våre, selv større enn de hvite blodcellene (figur 1). Dette er motsatt i oss mennesker, der de røde blodcellene er små og flattrykte uten cellekjerne. I fisk og fugl fyller cellekjernen fiskens blodcelle ut til en stor oval form. Men ellers er cellene fulle av

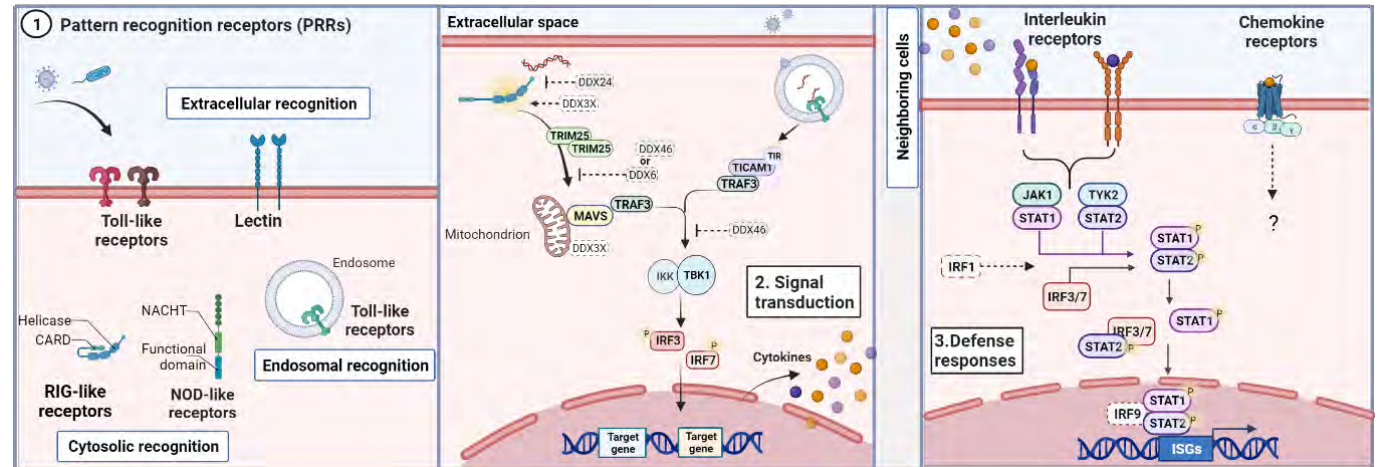
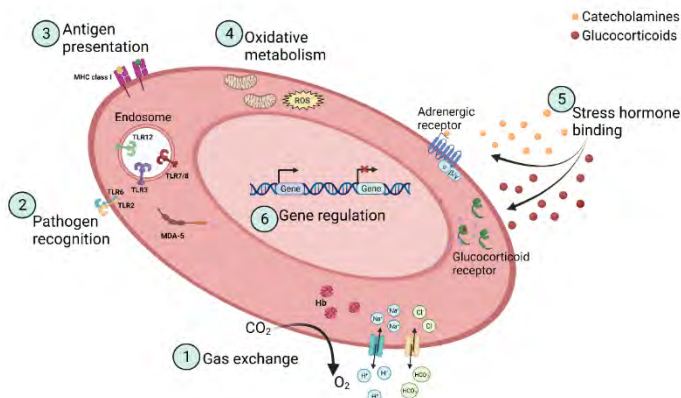
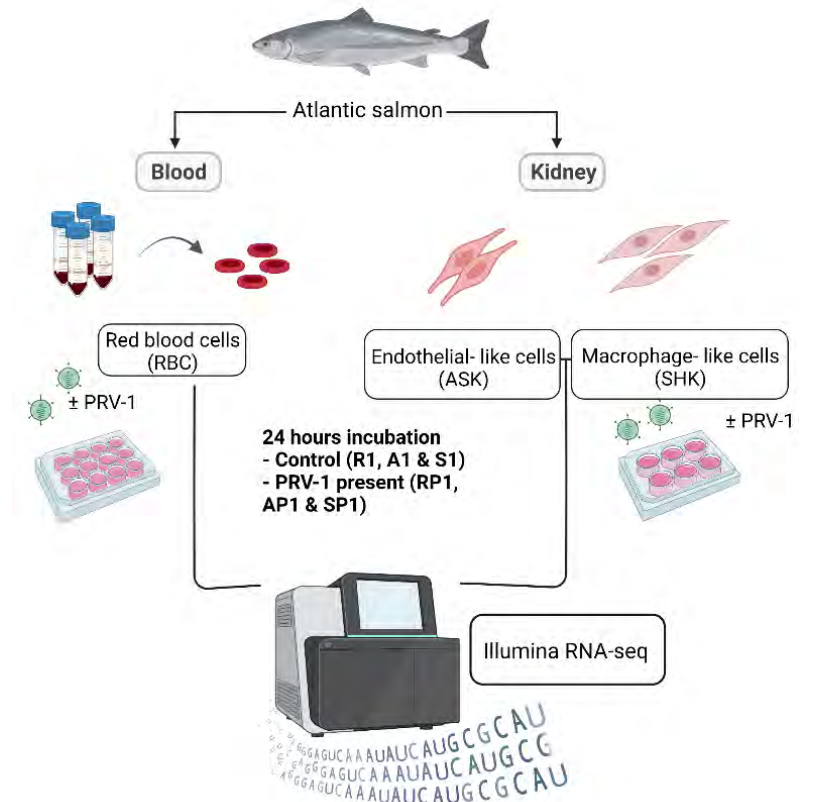
orthoreovirus (PRV), bruker røde blodceller til å produsere nye virus, og at Infeksiøs lakseanemi-virus (ILAV), binder seg til de røde blodcellene og kan gi alvorlig anemi. I laks som er syke pga laksepoxviruset så ser vi også i mange tilfeller at de røde blodcellene brytes ned. Men har cellene i seg selv enda mer å fortelle oss? I prosjektet RED FLAG vil vi studere hvordan cellene reagerer på ytre stimuli. Vi har nemlig en hypotese om at de røde blodcellene kan fortelle oss om



Transcriptomics of early responses to purified Piscine orthoreovirus-1 in Atlantic salmon (*Salmo salar* L.) red blood cells compared to non-susceptible cell lines

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