

Supplementary Information for

Phagosomal acidification coordinates a lipid–redox program underlying antibiotic tolerance in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

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Data file S1 (Microsoft Excel format). The file contains 3 sheets, with details given below.

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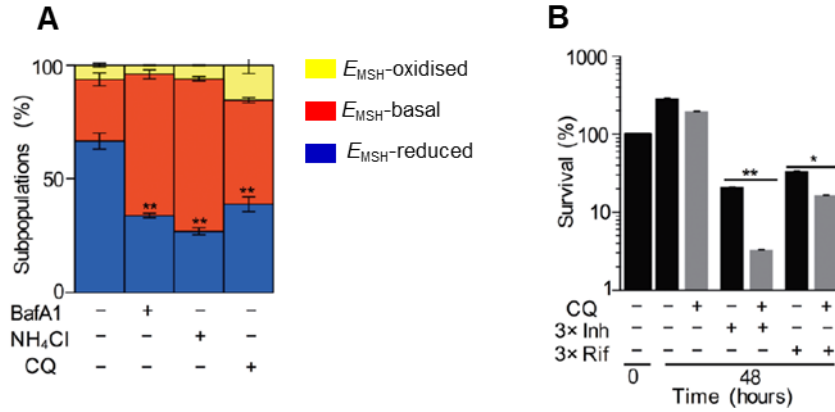


Fig. S1. CQ-driven phagosomal deacidification reduces E_{MSH} -reduced *Mtb* and drug tolerance in THP-1 macrophages. (A) THP-1 macrophages, either untreated or treated with 10 nM BafA1, 10 mM NH₄Cl, or 10 μ M CQ, were infected with *Mtb*-roGFP2, and the percentage distribution of redox-heterogeneous populations was assessed at 24 hours post-infection. Statistical significance (** $P < 0.01$) was determined using the Mann–Whitney test by comparing the $E_{\text{MSH-reduced}}$ fraction of CQ-treated conditions to that of the untreated control. (B) THP-1 macrophages, either untreated or treated with 10 μ M CQ, were infected with *Mtb* H37Rv for 24 hours, followed by exposure to INH (2.18 μ M), RIF (1 μ M), or no drug for an additional 48 hours. Bacterial survival was expressed as per cent survival by normalising CFU counts from drug-treated samples at 72 h p.i. (48 hours) to untreated controls at 24 h p.i. (0 hours). Statistical significance (* $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$) was determined using the Mann–Whitney test. From (25), reprinted with permission from AAAS.

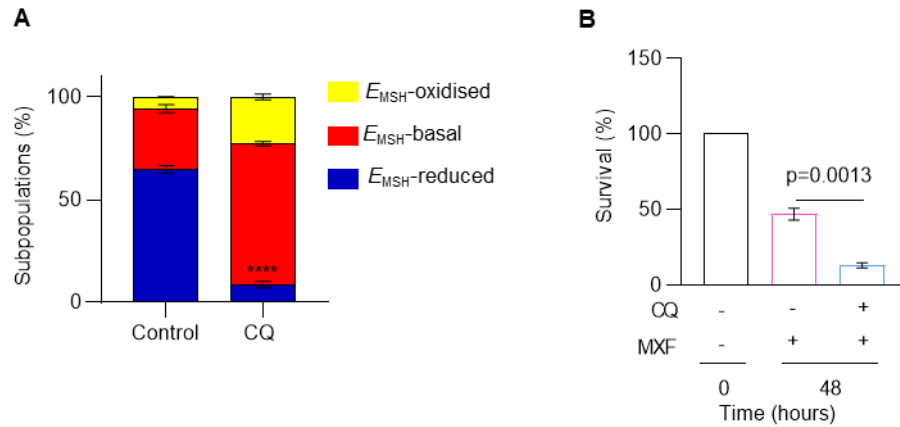


Fig. S2. CQ-driven phagosomal deacidification decreases E_{MSH} -reduced *Mtb* and mitigates drug tolerance in BMDMs. Untreated (Control) or CQ-treated BMDMs were infected with *Mtb*-roGFP2 (MOI 10, 24 h) followed by quantification of redox-diverse *Mtb* subpopulation by flow cytometry, comparing the E_{MSH} -reduced population in Control and CQ-treated BMDMs. **** P < 0.0001 was determined using the Mann–Whitney test. **(B)** Percent survival of *Mtb* H37Rv exposed to 3X MIC of MXF in untreated or CQ-treated BMDMs. The p -value was determined using a Student's two-tailed t -test with Welch's correction. Data shown are expressed as mean $\pm$ S.D., representative of three independent experiments.

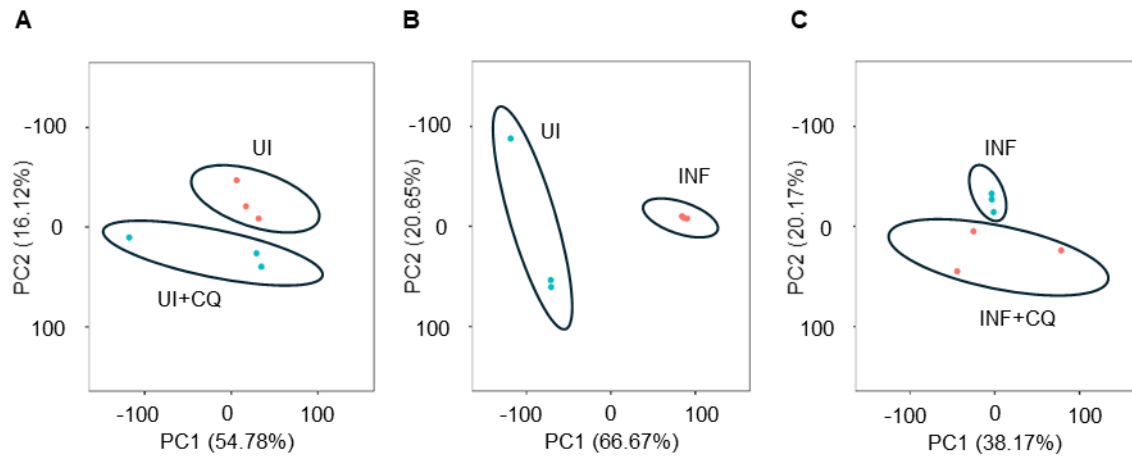
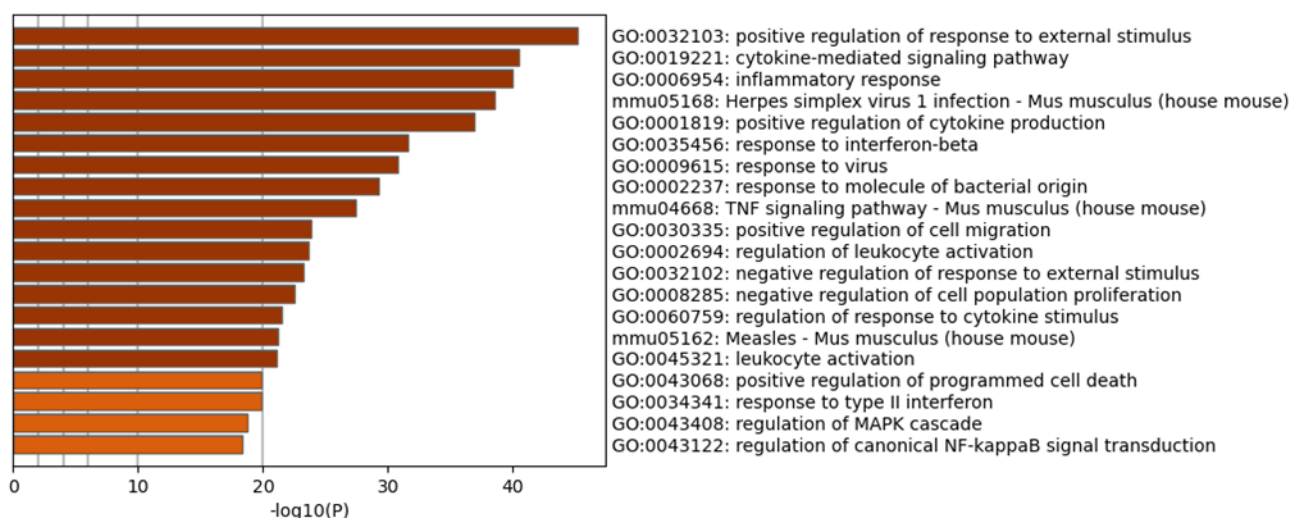
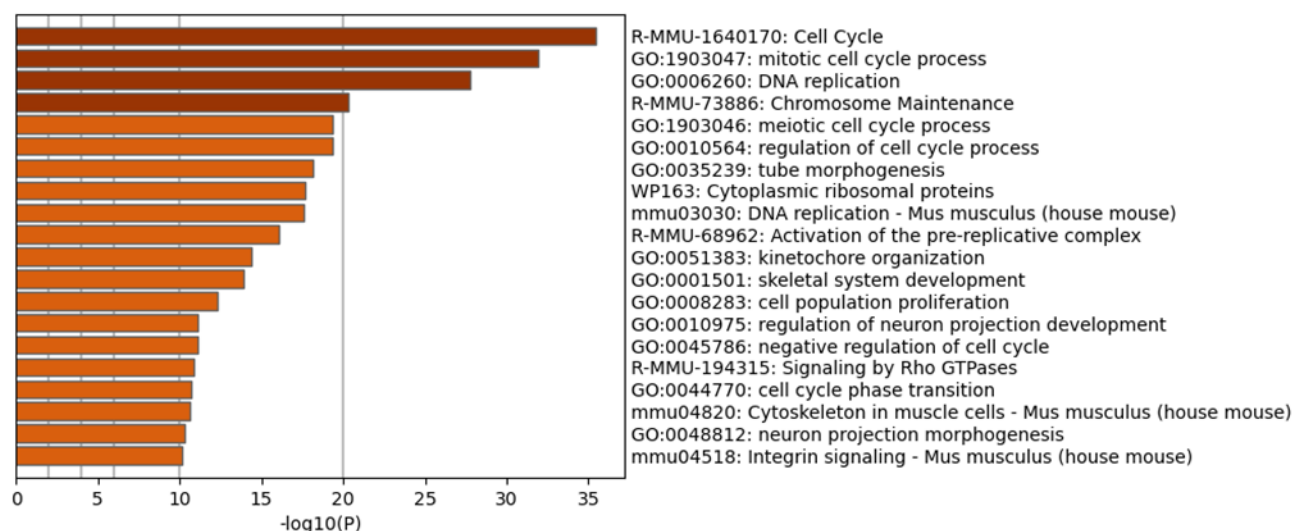


Fig. S3. RNA-Seq samples cluster distinctly with their biological replicates. RNA-Seq was performed on samples as mentioned in the legend of Figure 1. (A–B) PCA plots comparing UI and UI+CQ (A), UI and INF (B), and INF and INF+CQ (C) conditions.

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90 **Fig. S4. *Mtb* infection induces pro-inflammatory pathways and arrests cell cycle in**

91 **BMDMs.** RNA-Seq was performed on samples as mentioned in the legend of Figure 1. (A)

92 Metascape pathway analysis of the upregulated genes in INF BMDMs relative to UI BMDMs

93 (FDR<0.05 and Log2FC >=1). (B) Metascape pathway analysis of the downregulated genes in

94 INF BMDMs relative to UI BMDMs (FDR<0.05 and Log2FC=1).

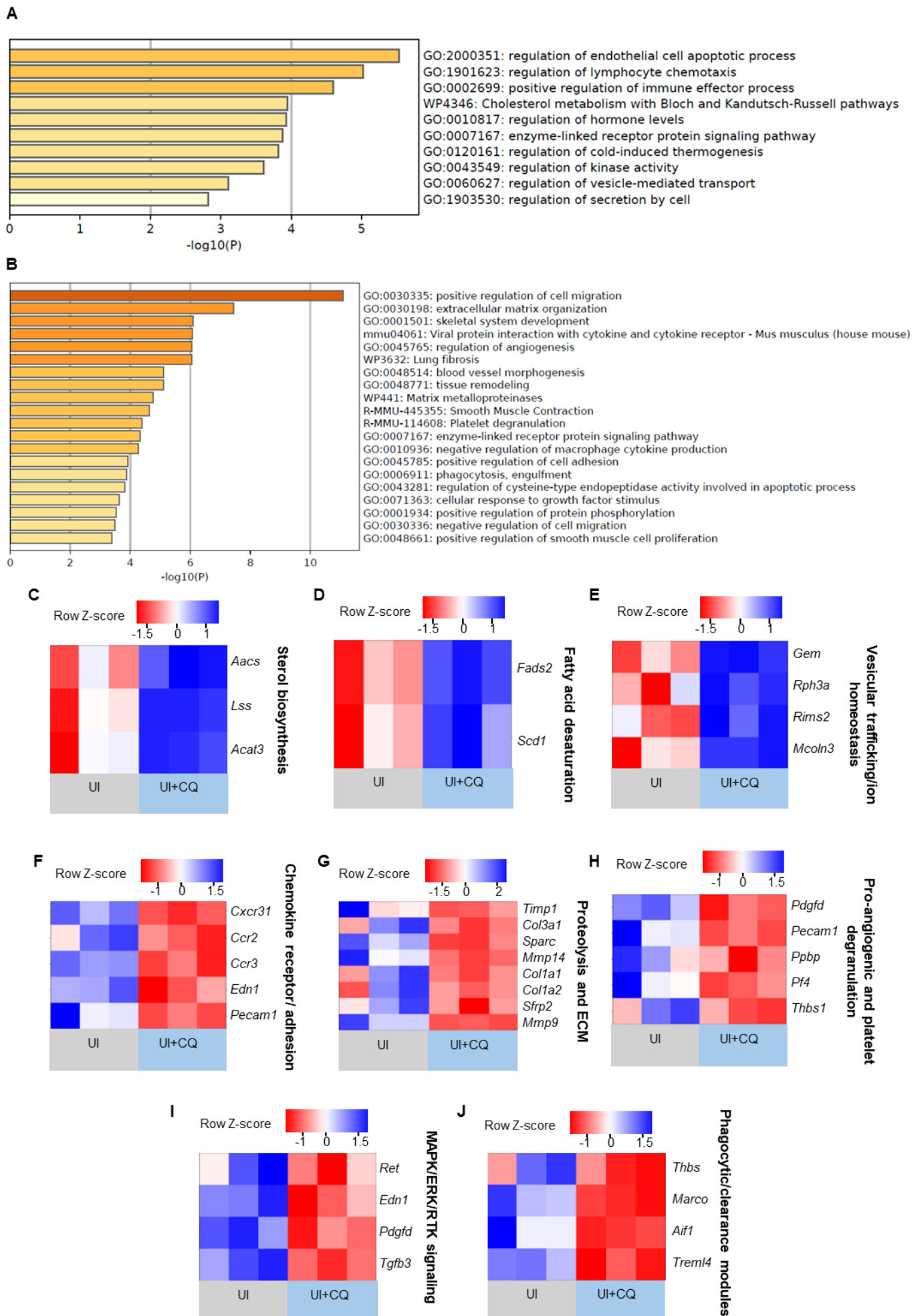


Fig. S5. Phagosomal alkalization remodels macrophage inflammatory, metabolic, and vesicular trafficking programs in uninfected BMDMs. RNA-Seq was performed on samples as mentioned in the legend of Figure 1. **(A)** Metascape pathway analysis of the upregulated genes in UI+CQ BMDMs relative to UI BMDMs ($FDR < 0.05$ and $Log_2FC \geq 1$). **(B)** Metascape pathway analysis of the downregulated genes in UI+CQ BMDMs relative to UI BMDMs, $FDR < 0.05$ and $Log_2FC \geq 1$. **(C-J)** Heatmaps showing the genes of sterol biosynthesis **(C)**, fatty acid desaturation **(D)**, vesicular trafficking/ion homeostasis **(E)**, chemokine receptor/adhesion **(F)**, proteolysis and ECM **(G)**, pro-angiogenic and platelet degranulation **(H)**, MAPK/ERK/RTK signaling **(I)**, phagocytic/clearance modules **(J)**, between UI and UI+CQ BMDMs respectively. The heatmap was generated from three independent experiments, with $FDR < 0.05$ and $Log_2FC = 1$. *Abbreviations: ECM – Extracellular matrix, UI – Uninfected, UI+CQ – Uninfected plus CQ-treated.*

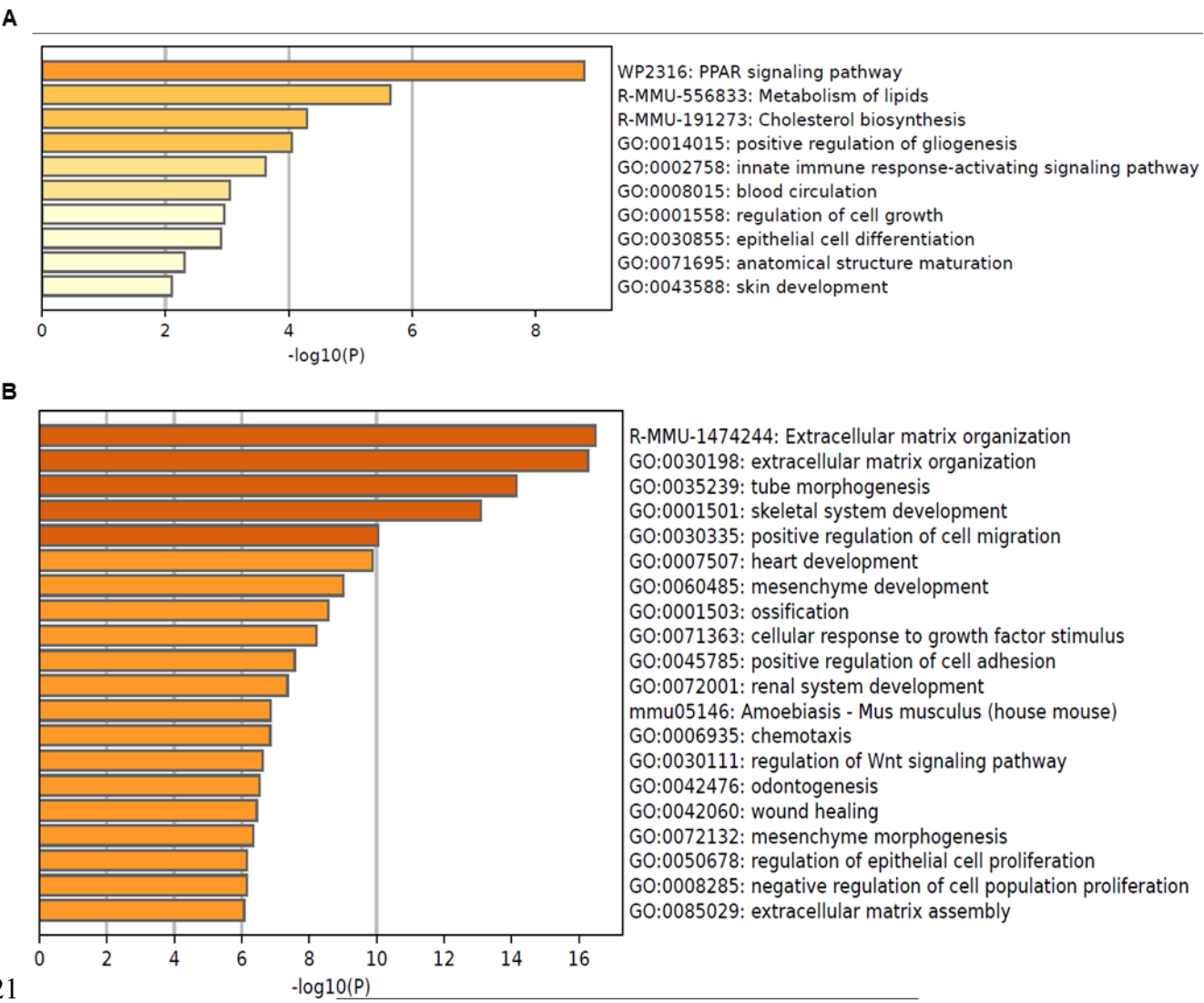


Fig. S6. Phagosomal deacidification reprograms lipid metabolism, inflammatory signalling, and ECM organisation in *Mtb*-infected BMDMs. RNA-Seq was performed on samples as mentioned in the legend of Figure 1. **(A)** Metascape pathway analysis of the upregulated genes in INF+CQ BMDMs relative to INF BMDMs (FDR<0.05 and Log2FC>1). **(B)** Metascape pathway analysis of the downregulated genes in IFN+CQ BMDMs relative to INF BMDMs (FDR<0.05 and Log2FC>1).

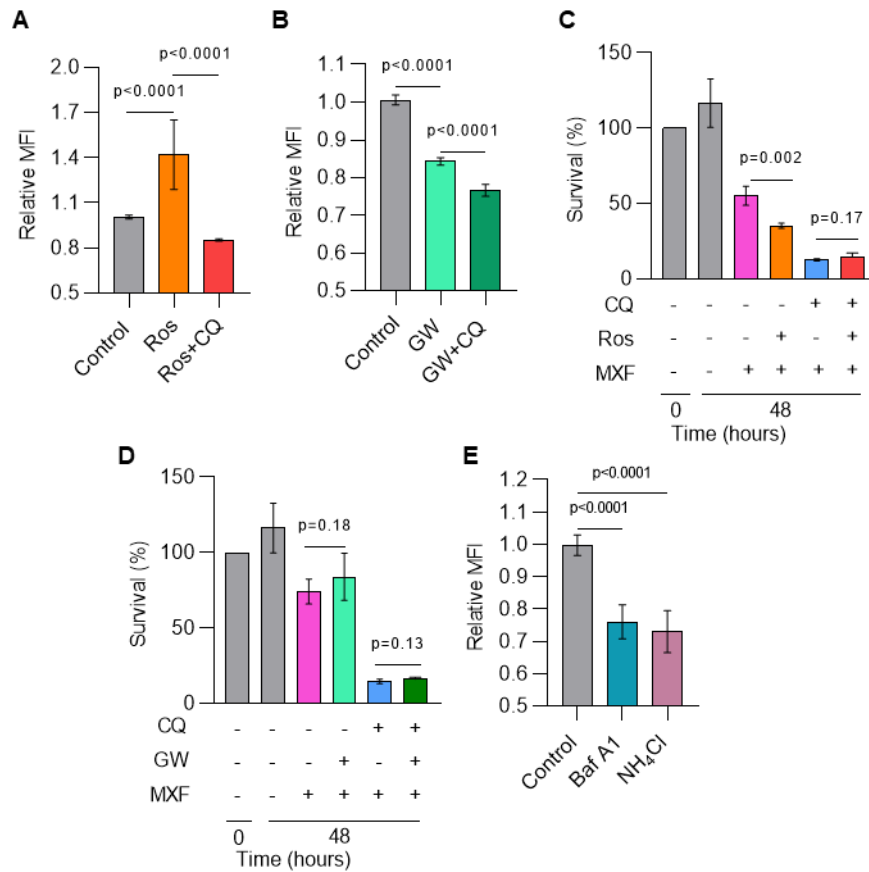
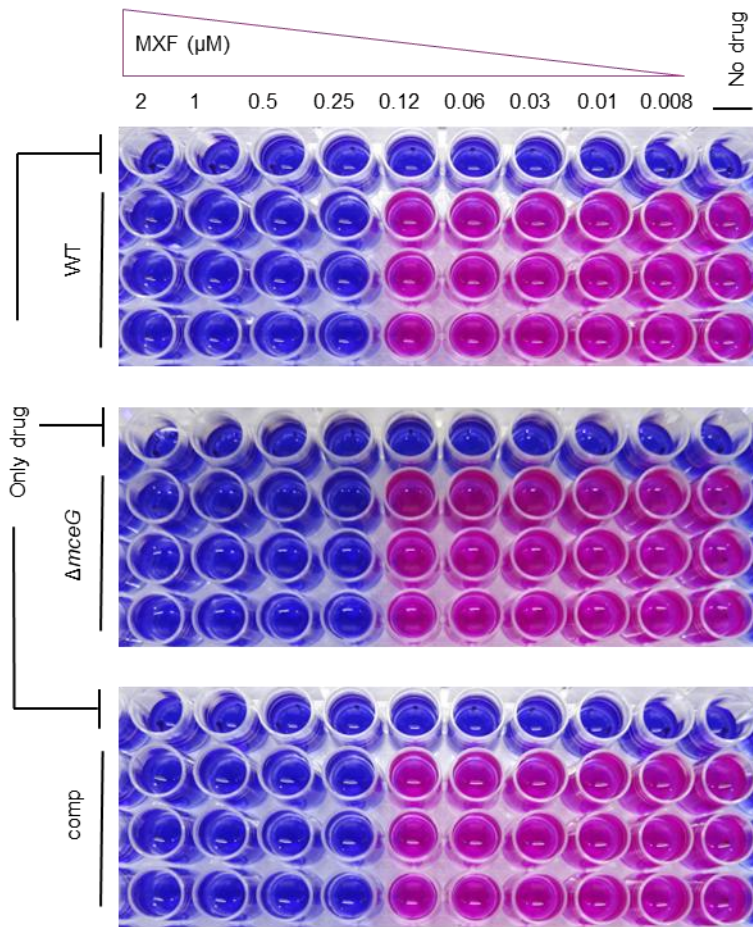
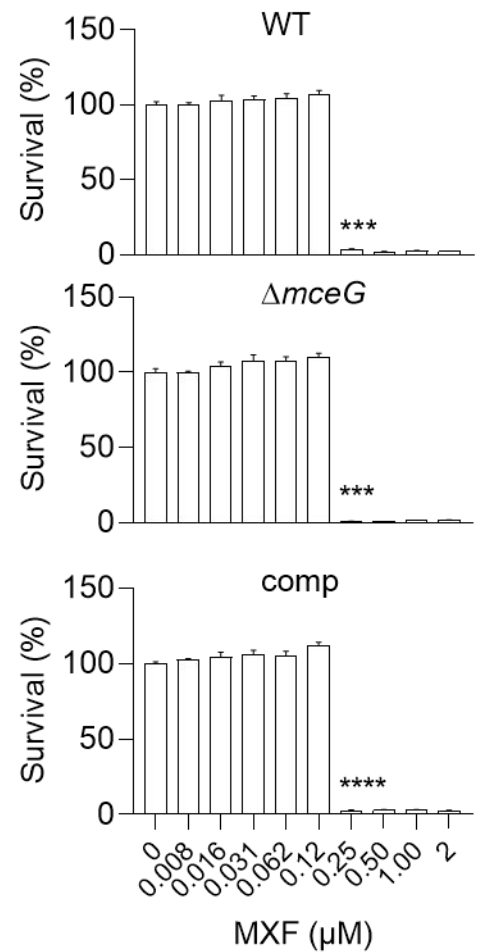


Fig S7. Phagosomal alkalinization uniformly reduces LDs independently of PPAR γ . (A, B, E) Flow cytometry quantification of relative LipidTOX MFI of *Mtb*-roGFP2-infected BMDMs, either untreated (Control) or treated with Ros, GW, CQ, Baf A1, or NH₄Cl. (C, D) Percent survival of *Mtb* H37Rv exposed to 3X MIC of MXF in untreated, CQ, Ros, GW or their combination-treated BMDMs. Data shown are the results of three independent experiments performed in triplicate (means $\pm$ SD). The p -values were determined using the Mann-Whitney test.

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139 **Fig. S8. *ΔmceG* exhibits no difference in MXF susceptibility compared to wild-type and**140 **complemented strains *in vitro*.** (A) Representative Alamar blue assay plate pictures of the141 indicated *Mtb* Erdman strains treated with the indicated concentrations of MXF and the (B)142 associated percent survival of the *Mtb* Erdman strains in the indicated concentrations of MXF.

143 Percent survival was calculated by normalising the fluorescence intensities of the MXF-added

144 samples with that of the no MXF-added (0 μM MXF) sample. For detailed protocol, check the

145 *Materials and Methods* section. *** $P < 0.001$, **** $P < 0.0001$ by Mann-Whitney test

146 comparing percentage survival at 0.25 μM MXF with 0 μM MXF for all three strains.

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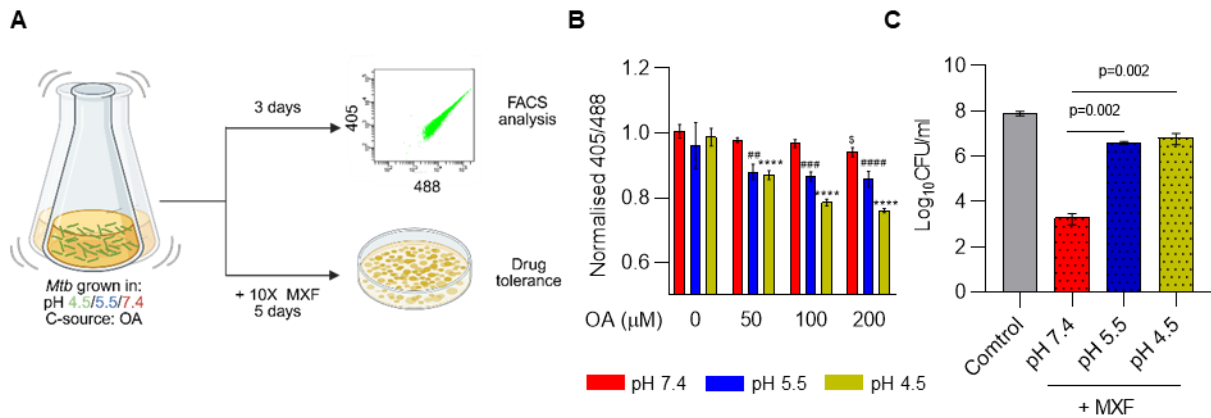


Fig. S9. OA induces reductive EMSH in *Mtb* and drives drug tolerance *in vitro*. (A)

Experimental scheme for panels (B–C). (B) *Mtb*-roGFP2 was cultured in 7H9 medium at pH 7.4, 5.5, or 4.5 with the indicated OA concentrations for 72 h, and ratiometric sensor response (405/488) was measured by flow cytometry. Values were normalised to no-carbon controls at the respective pH. Statistical analysis was performed using 2-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test. (C) Quantification of *Mtb* H37Rv CFU grown at pH 7.4, 5.5 or 4.5 with OA 200 μ M as the sole carbon source and exposed to 10X MIC MXF for 5 days. Control denotes CFU of *Mtb* grown in OA+0.2% glycerol containing media set to pH 6.6. The *p*-values were determined using the Mann-Whitney test. Data shown are expressed as mean $\pm$ S.D., representative of two independent experiments performed in triplicate.

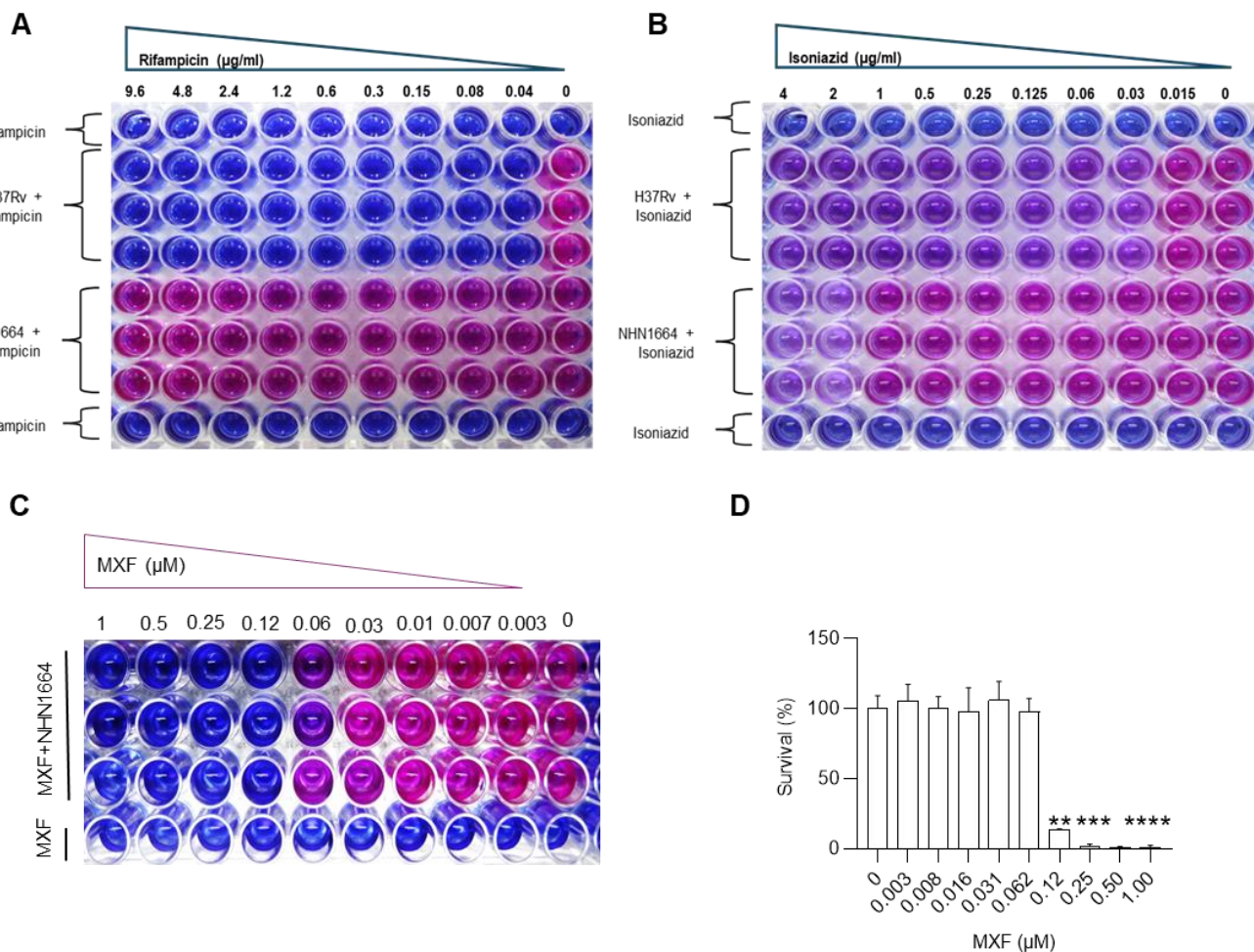


Fig. S10. *Mtb* NHN1664 is genetically resistant to frontline anti-TB drugs but susceptible to MXF. (A-B) Representative Alamar blue assay plate pictures of *Mtb* H37Rv and *Mtb* NHN1664 strains treated with different concentrations of Rifampicin (A) and Isoniazid (B). (C) Representative Alamar blue assay plate picture of *Mtb* NHN1664 exposed to different concentrations of MXF and (D) associated quantification of percent survival of the *Mtb* NHN1664 in the indicated concentrations of MXF. Percent survival was calculated by normalising the fluorescence intensities of the MXF-added samples with that of the no MXF-added (0 μM MXF) sample. For detailed protocol, check the *Materials and Methods* section. ** $P=0.002$, *** $P=0.0001$, **** $P<0.0001$, by Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's Multiple Comparisons test. Data shown are expressed as mean $\pm$ S.D., representative of two independent experiments.

S. No.	Gene name	Nucleotide change	Amino acid change	Resistant to:
1	<i>katG</i>	c.944G>C	Ser315Thr	Isoniazid
2	<i>rpoB</i>	c.1334A>C	His445Pro	Rifampicin
3	<i>rpsL</i>	c.128A>G	Lys43Arg	Streptomycin
4	<i>embB</i>	c.916A>G	Met306Val	Ethambutol

Table S1. Whole-genome sequence analysis identified SNPs that confirmed the MDR status of *Mtb* NHN1664. The whole-genome sequence of *Mtb* NHN1664 was compared with the *Mtb* H37Rv reference genome to identify antibiotic resistance-conferring mutations.

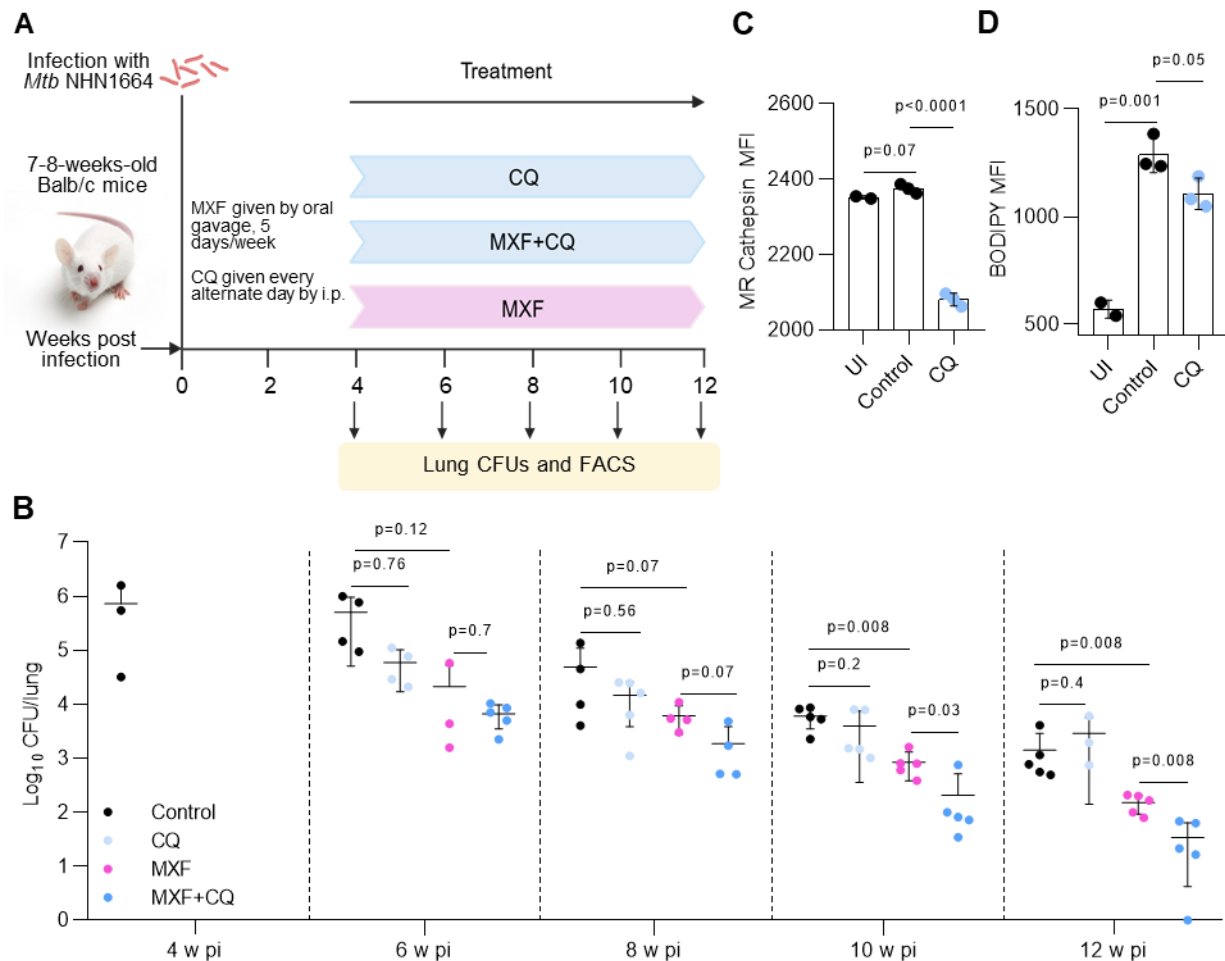


Fig. S11. CQ marginally increases activity of MXF against *Mtb* NHN1664 in BALB/c mice. (A) Strategy to investigate the efficacy of CQ in reducing tolerance against MXF *in vivo* and measure acidity and LDs of murine lung cells across experimental groups. BALB/c mice ($n \geq 3$) were given an aerosol challenge with *Mtb* NHN1664. From 4 weeks p.i. onward, groups of mice were left untreated or treated with 25 mg/kg MXF alone or in combination with 10 mg/kg CQ. (B) Bacterial CFUs were measured in the lungs at the indicated time points, and the statistical analysis was done using the Mann-Whitney test. (C-D) At 12 weeks p.i., a single cell suspension of the lungs of BALB/c mice ($n \geq 2$) of the indicated treatment groups was stained with either MR Cathepsin (C) or BODIPY (D) and analysed by flow cytometry. The *p*-values were determined using a Student's two-tailed *t*-test with Welch's correction.