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129 Abstract

Background: Transcriptomic changes in patients who respond clinically to biologicaltherapies may identify responses in other tissues or diseases.

Objective: To determine whether a disease signature identified in atopic dermatitis (AD) is
 seen in adults with severe asthma (SA) and whether a transcriptomic signature for AD
 patients who respond clinically to anti-IL-22 (Fezakinumab, FZ) is enriched in SA.

- 135 **Methods:** An AD disease signature was obtained from analysis of differentially expressed 136 genes (DEGs) between AD lesional and non-lesional skin biopsies. DEGs from lesional skin 137 from therapeutic super-responders before and after 12 weeks FZ treatment defined the FZ-138 response signature. Gene Set Variation Analysis (GSVA) was used to produce enrichment 139 scores (ES) of AD and FZ-response signatures in the U-BIOPRED asthma cohort.
- 140 Results: The AD disease signature (112 up-regulated genes) encompassing inflammatory, T-141 cell, Th2 and Th17/Th22 pathways was enriched in the blood and sputum of asthmatics with Asthmatics with sputum neutrophilia and mixed granulocyte 142 increasing severity. 143 phenotypes were the most enriched (p<0.05). The FZ-response signature (296 downregulated genes) was enriched in asthmatic blood (p<0.05) and particularly in neutrophilic 144 145 and mixed granulocytic sputum (p<0.05). These data were confirmed in sputum of the 146 ADEPT (Airway Disease Endotyping for Personalized Therapeutics) cohort. IL-22 mRNA 147 across tissues did not correlate with FZ-response ES, but this response signature correlated with Th22/IL-22 pathways. 148
- Conclusions: The FZ-response signature in AD identifies severe neutrophilic asthmatics as potential responders to FZ therapy. This approach will help identify patients for future asthma clinical trials of drugs used successfully in other chronic diseases
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170	AD	Atopic dermatitis		
171	ADEPT	Airway Disease Endotyping for Personalized Therapeutics		
172	ASM	Airway smooth muscle		
173	BAL	Bronchoalveolar lavage		
174	ES	Enrichment score		
175	FC	Fold-change		
176	FDR	False discovery rate		
177	FeNO	Fractional exhaled nitric oxide		
178	FZ	Fezakinumab		
179	HC	Healthy control		
180	ILC	innate lymphoid cell		
181	LS	Lesional		
182	MADAD	meta-analysis derived atopic dermatitis		
183	MMA	Mild-moderate asthma		
184	NL	Non-lesional		
185	PNR	Potential non-responder		
186	PR	Potential responder		

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SA

Severe asthma

- 188 SAs/ex Severe asthmatic smoker/ex-smoker
- 189 T2 Type 2
- 190 TAC Transcriptome-Associated Cluster
- 191 U-BIOPRED Unbiased Biomarkers for the Prediction of Respiratory Disease Outcomes
- 192 DEGS Differentially expressed genes
- 193 GSVA Gene Set Variation Analysis
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195 Introduction

196 Asthma is phenotyped according to clinical treatable traits and physiological markers 197 including eosinophilic and non-eosinophilic phenotypes (1,2). The Type 2 (T2) inflammatory 198 phenotype characterised by high expression of an interleukin (IL)-13 stimulated bronchial 199 epithelial cell signature (3,4) and elevated urinary leukotriene $(LT)E_4$ (5), is a molecular 200 phenotype characterised by high eosinophilic inflammation. However, the molecular 201 phenotypes of non-T2 inflammation remain unclear although one phenotype has been 202 characterised by inflammasome, tumour necrosis factor (TNF) α and interferon (IFN) 203 pathway activation associated with neutrophilic asthma (3,6,7). An IL-17 phenotype 204 characterised by neutrophilic inflammation has also been described (8).

205 IL-22 belongs to the IL-10 cytokine family and is produced by T helper (Th)17 and 206 Th22 cells, $\gamma\delta$ -T cells and Type 3 innate lymphoid cells (ILCs) as well as neutrophils (9). 207 Elevated bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) (10) and serum IL-22 levels (11,12) in patients with 208 severe asthma has been reported. Neutrophil-high asthmatics show an upregulated 209 presence of bronchial and nasal cells staining positive for IL-22 expression(13,14). IL-22 suppresses IFN-γ-induced pro-inflammatory mediator expression by human bronchial 210 211 epithelial cells (10) indicating a potential protective role in asthma, but IL-22 also enhances 212 the proliferation and migration of human airway smooth muscle (ASM) cells which may 213 induce airway wall remodelling (15,16). This suggests that IL-22 could play a role in certain 214 endotypes of asthma.

215 IL-22 is implicated in other chronic inflammatory diseases including atopic dermatitis 216 (AD), a closely-related condition to asthma, often preceding it, in the atopic march (17). 217 Epicutaneous sensitization in mice promotes the generation of antigen-specific IL-22-218 producing T cells leading to airway inflammation and airway hyperresponsiveness following 219 allergen challenge (18). This suggests that IL-22 may be important in the atopic march. The 220 anti-IL-22 monoclonal antibody, fezakinumab (FZ), improves AD clinical scores (19) whilst AD 221 patients with high baseline IL-22 expression showed the greatest clinical response with 222 down-regulation of transcriptomic features associated with immune pathways involved in T-223 cell and dendritic cell activation (20).

The atopic march is a term used to describe the progression of allergic disease from the early presence of atopic dermatitis, food allergies and rhinitis through to asthma (21). A recent *in silico* analysis of the protein interaction networks in these diseases identified the

227 presence of pathways contributing to the allergic multimorbidity of these diseases (22). We 228 hypothesised that a gene signature from AD patients who respond to fezakinumab will be 229 up-regulated in other chronic inflammatory diseases such as asthma. Furthermore, analysis 230 of these 'responder signatures' will select patients most likely to respond to fezakinimab. 231 We analysed differentially expressed genes (DEGs) in eczematous skin lesions of IL-22 high 232 responders between baseline and after 12 weeks of FZ treatment in order to obtain a FZ-233 response signature. This FZ signature was used to probe the transcriptomes of the lungs 234 and blood of the Unbiased Biomarkers for the Prediction of Respiratory Disease Outcomes (U-BIOPRED) asthma cohort to identify features of asthmatic subjects who may respond to 235 236 FZ. The results were validated in the independent Airway Disease Endotyping for 237 Personalized Therapeutics (ADEPT) cohort.

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240 Determination of AD disease and anti-IL-22 responsive signature

Full details of AD patient demographics, samples, transcriptomic analyses and clinical response (NCT01941537) are provided elsewhere (20). The AD disease signature was defined by DEGs identified between eczematous or lesional (LS) skin and non-lesional (NL) skin samples with a fold-change (FC) ≥ 2 or ≤ -2 and a false discovery rate (FDR) ≤ 0.05 for the whole AD cohort. We also used a composite AD signature derived by comparing the lesional and non-lesional skin transcriptome from 4 microarray studies (MADAD, meta-analysis derived AD)(23).

We defined a FZ treatment response signature by analysis of the LS biopsy data of AD patients at baseline and after 12 weeks of FZ treatment to identify DEGs (FC ≥ 2 or ≤ -2 and FDR<0.05) (20). Patients with high levels of IL-22 mRNA in lesional tissue at baseline had the greatest response to FZ at both the clinical and transcriptomic level. We used DEGS from the IL-22^{high} AD patients to derive a FZ 'super responder' signature (20)(**Supplementary Table 1**).

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255 Asthma cohorts

The U-BIOPRED cohort consists of severe non-smoking asthma (SAn); smokers and ex-smokers with severe asthma (SAs/ex); mild/moderate non-smoking asthmatics (MMA) and healthy non-smoking controls (HC) (24). Expression profiling was performed on RNA extracted from blood cells, sputum cells, epithelial brushings and bronchial biopsies (8)(24). Clinical characteristics and sputum and blood proteomic (SomaLogic) metadata are stored within TransMART as part of the eTRIKs project (25). For validation, the ADEPT cohort (NCT01274507) was analysed (26).

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264 **Protein and other assays**

The SOMAscan proteomic assay of 1129 analytes was performed on sputum supernatants (SomaLogic, Boulder, CO, USA) (3). The fraction of exhaled nitric oxide (FeNO) was measured online using an electrochemical analyser (NIOX MINO; Aerocrine, Solna, Sweden) at an expiratory flow rate of 50ml/s according to ATS/ERS guidelines (27). Serum IgE was measured using the Thermo Fisher (Uppsala, Sweden) CAP system. Biomarker and sputum and urinary eicosanoid data were generated by multiplex analysis and massspectrometry (5).

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273 Data analysis

274 Analysis was performed in R version 3.5.0 (28). Gene set variation analysis (GSVA) 275 was run using the R Bioconductor GSVA package (29) to calculate sample-wise enrichment 276 scores (ES). The ES for AD disease, FZ response and immunological pathway signatures was 277 calculated for each subject across the U-BIOPRED sample compartments. We used a linear 278 model adjusted for age and gender and used the least squares means (30) with the Tukey p-279 value adjustment method for comparisons of families of estimates (4 for cohort, 5 for 280 granulocyte subtype, and 4 for Transcriptome-Associated Cluster (TAC) group (3)) to analyse 281 the ES differences between groups. Differential expression between sputum transcriptomics of 282 subjects with eosinophilic inflammation against those with non eosinophilic inflammation and 283 subsequent clustering revealed 3 groups. TAC1 contains patients with a high enrichment for the 284 Woodruff Th2-high gene signature with a very high sputum eosinophilia. The TAC2 is characterised 285 by inflammasome-associated pathways and high sputum neutrophilia whilst TAC3 is associated with 286 high levels of macrophages and a mainly paucigranulocytic phenotype (3). Visualization of the 287 distribution of ES was performed with the ggplot2 R package (31). The GSVA signatures are 288 listed in Supplementary Table 1.

The FZ response signature in U-BIOPRED sputum subjects was used to categorise SA patients as being predicted-responders (PRs) (n=26, ES \geq +0.1) or predicted non-responders (PNRs) (n=18, ES \leq -0.1) whilst filtering out patients with undirected ES (>+0.1 and >-0.1), MMAs and HCs. All categorical variables were analysed using Fisher's exact test. A T-test was used for continuous clinical variables with normal distribution (Shapiro-Wilk test pvalue >0.05), whilst the Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction was used for variables with a skewed distribution.

Differential gene (for all PRs and PNRs) and protein (for those PRs and PNRs with proteomics data) expression analysis was performed using limma 3.38.3 (32) for linear model fitting for each gene or protein. Empirical Bayes moderation of standard errors was used to produce tables of significant DEGs and proteins. P-values were adjusted with the Benjamini–Hochberg False Discovery Rate (FDR-BH) procedure (33). Age and gender were not confounding variables. Significantly up and downregulated genes were determined by a

- 302 log2 fold change of ≥ 1 or ≤ -1 and an FDR-BH adjusted p ≤ 0.05 . Pathway enrichment analysis
- 303 was performed using ReactomePA (34), utilising the human Reactome ontology (35) with p-
- 304 value FDR-BH adjustment and cut-off of 0.05.

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306 Results

307 AD signature in asthma

We defined an AD disease signature (**Supplementary Table 1**) according to whether DEGs were significantly up- (112 DEGS, AD-UP) or down-regulated (29 DEGs, AD-DOWN) between lesional and non-lesional skin with a fold-change (FC) ≥ 2 or ≤ -2 and an FDR ≤ 0.05 for the whole AD cohort. T-cell, Th2, Th17/Th22 and general inflammatory genes were upregulated in the AD-UP signature whereas AD-DOWN reflected lipid pathways and pathways associated with dysregulated dermal epithelial function (20).

314 This signature was applied to blood (Fig 1A) and sputum (Fig 1B) of the U-BIOPRED 315 cohort. The AD-UP signature ES trended with severity: significantly enriched in the blood of 316 severe, but not MMA, asthmatics irrespective of smoking status (Fig 1A). A similar trend 317 was seen in the sputum of severe asthmatics (Fig 1B). When compared by sputum TACs (3) 318 there was an enrichment of the AD-UP signature in sputum from TAC2 (adj.p= 2.87×10^{-6}) 319 subjects (Fig 1C) compared to healthy controls. Assessment based on sputum granulocytes 320 further highlighted the greater enrichment of the AD-UP score in granulocytic asthma (Fig 321 **1D**) with a greater ES in neutrophilic (adj.p= 6.83×10^{-5}) and mixed granulocytic 322 (adj.p=0.0005) asthma compared to healthy controls. The enrichment of the AD lesion 323 signature in asthma reflects a composite of the cells within blood and sputum.

324 We confirmed the appropriateness of the AD-UP signature by using the previously 325 defined MADAD-UP pooled signature (Fig 1E-H). The MADAD-UP signature is a consensus 326 disease signature of the pathologically upregulated genes which characterise atopic dermatitis 327 across several studies (23). The overlap between the AD-UP and MADAD-UP gene signatures 328 consisted of 84 genes. This signature was enriched in both blood (Fig 1E) and sputum (Fig 329 **1F**) of severe asthmatics irrespective of smoking status, mirroring results seen in AD-UP 330 blood. Classifying asthmatics according to sputum molecular phenotype or to sputum 331 granulocytes also demonstrated enrichment of the MADAD-UP signature in TAC2 (Fig 1G) 332 and neutrophilic/mixed granulocytic subjects (Fig 1H). Overall, the AD disease signature was 333 enriched in severe neutrophilic asthma.

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335 Derivation of an FZ super-responder signature in AD

The FZ treatment super-response was defined by those subjects with a good clinical response who also had a good transcriptomic response comparing lesional biopsies at

baseline and after 12 weeks FZ treatment in AD patients to identify the significant DEGs (FC \geq 2 or \leq -2 and FDR<0.05)(20). The highest clinical and transcriptomic effect was seen in baseline IL-22^{high} lesional tissue and the transcriptomic changes seen in patients with a high clinical and transcriptomic response was used to generate the FZ-super-responder signature.

We identified 417 DEGs (121 up- and 296 or down-regulated by FZ) in lesional AD 343 344 skin tissue biopsies from patients with the greatest clinical response to FZ at 12 weeks (Supplementary Table 1). This FZ-response signature (FZ-DOWN) represents a key 345 346 proportion of the AD-UP disease signatures. In particular, the AD-UP signature (112 genes) 347 had 74 genes overlapping with the FZ-DOWN (296 genes, 25%) whilst the MADAD-UP 348 signature (405 genes) had 196 genes overlapping with the FZ-DOWN signature (48.4%). A 349 strong correlation existed between the AD-UP and FZ-DOWN ES in asthmatic sputum (R²=0.8326, p=2.2x10⁻¹⁶) (Supplementary Fig 1A) and between MADAD-UP and FZ-DOWN 350 $(R^2=0.9156, p=2.2x10^{-16})$ (Supplementary Fig 1B). The FZ-DOWN signature included 351 352 pathways associated with general inflammation, T-cell, Th2 and Th17/Th22 activation 353 (Supplementary Fig 2, Supplementary Table 2), which are all up-regulated within the AD 354 disease signatures. No pathways were significantly associated with FZ-UP genes although 355 relaxing the FDR threshold identified pathways associated with epidermal signalling 356 (Supplementary Fig 3, Supplementary Table 3), which justifies the focus on the FZ-DOWN 357 signature. To test whether the FZ-DOWN signature predicted the response in AD patients, 358 we examined the ES of FZ DOWN in lesional AD baseline samples (20). This was significantly 359 (p=0.0496, adjusted for age and gender) positively associated with the AD SCORAD score 360 after treatment.

In summary, **Supplemental Table 1** provides a list of all the gene signatures used in this analysis including the sets of genes up-regulated (AD-UP) or down-regulated (AD-DOWN) in AD whilst **Supplemental Table 2** provides a list of all the pathways that the FZ-DOWN gene signature corresponds to and highlights the importance of immune pathways. **Supplementary Table 3** is a list of all the pathways that relate to the FZ-UP gene signature. None of these pathways was significantly enriched and are mostly skin-related.

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368 Enrichment of the FZ super-responder signature from AD in U-BIOPRED

The FZ-DOWN signature was significantly enriched in the blood of U-BIOPRED severe asthmatics (adj.p<0.05) (**Fig 2A**) despite the wide variability in ES scores, which may reflect the different types of immune cells found in blood and lesional tissue. The skin contains a mixture of epithelial cell-like and immune cells but the enrichment observed in blood may indicate detection of the immune components.

374 The FZ-DOWN signature was significantly enriched in the blood of TAC2 patients 375 (adj.p=0.015, Fig 2B). The response in blood when subjects were stratified according to 376 sputum granulocytes was variable and although there was a trend towards enrichment in 377 asthma subtypes, this did not reach significance (Fig 2C). There was a greater degree of 378 enrichment in sputum samples compared to blood (compare Fig 3A-C with Fig 3D-F). The ES 379 for FZ-DOWN had a stepwise association with severity and was highly enriched TAC2 380 patients (adj.p=0.002, Fig 2E), and neutrophilic (adj.p=0.0002, Fig 2F) and mixed 381 granulocytic (adj.p=0.0098, Fig 2F) asthma compared with healthy controls. The good correlation between the TAC2 signature and the FZ-DOWN signature in sputum (p<2.2x10⁻¹⁶, 382 383 r=0.784) was not due to overlapping signatures as only 3 genes were common between the 384 two genesets – CASP4, KCNJ15 and SAMSN1. Importantly, we were able to show that the 385 AD-UP and MADAD-UP (Fig 3A) and the FZ-DOWN (Fig 3B) signatures were also enriched within the sputum neutrophilic (adj.p<0.05) and mixed granulocytic patients within the 386 387 ADEPT cohort (Fig 3A-B).

To ensure against a confounding effect of tissue heterogeneity we removed the 4 skinspecific genes identified by comparing the FZ-DOWN signature with a published skin transcriptomic profile (36). There were 4 overlapping genes (WFDC12, TYR, S1PR5, LYPD5) and removal of these 4 genes from the FZ-DOWN signature had minimal effect on the analysis (**Supplementary Fig 4**).

392 Since the FZ-DOWN signature was associated with neutrophilic asthma we checked whether 393 this and the AD disease signatures correlated with 3 neutrophil signatures from the Human Cell Atlas 394 (37), an immune cell gene-signature database (38) and a Th17 signature (39) that consists of genes 395 for neutrophil chemoattractants (CXCL1, CXCL2, CXCL3, CXCL8 and CFS3). We observed a high 396 correlation between FZ-DOWN ES and neutrophil signature ES and also AD disease signature ES and 397 neutrophil signature ES, indicating that the disease signatures reflected tissue neutrophilia. In 398 particular Pearson's correlation between the FZ-DOWN (p=1.25 x10⁻⁹, r=0.519), AD-UP (p<2.2x10⁻¹⁶, r=0.754) and the MADAD-UP ($p<2.2x10^{-16}$, r=0.684) signatures were very significantly correlated with 399 400 the immune cell database neutrophil signature. In addition, the FZ-DOWN (p<2.2x10⁻¹⁶, r= 0.691),

401 AD-UP (p=4.479x10⁻⁷, r=0.441) and the MADAD-UP (p=4.304x10⁻⁷, r=0.442) signatures were also 402 significantly correlated with the Human Cell Atlas neutrophil signature.

403 However, neutrophil levels in the skin were not significantly reduced after FZ treatment 404 (Supplementary Fig 5) which suggests that despite neutrophil genes contributing to the AD disease 405 signature and some neutrophil genes being present in the FZ response signature, the FZ response 406 phenomenon is unlikely to be driven by neutrophil levels alone. This corroborates with a positive but 407 non-significant correlation between sputum neutrophils and sputum IL-22 protein in U-BIOPRED 408 subjects (p=0.0699, r=0.184). We also examined the correlation between sputum neutrophils and 409 the FZ-DOWN signature in the validation ADEPT cohort and found no significant correlation (% 410 segmented neutrophils; p=0.911, r=0.0186).

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412 Clinical features of predicted responders and non-responders in U-BIOPRED

413 We next examined whether the FZ-DOWN signature was associated with a specific subset of SA patients as the most clinically relevant group. Highly-enriched patients (PRs) 414 415 were compared with those least-enriched (PNRs) for the FZ-DOWN signature (Supplementary Fig 6, Supplementary Table 4). The enrichment score of the FZ-DOWN 416 417 signature in sputum was used to categorise SA patients as being predicted-responders (PRs) 418 (n=26, ES \geq +0.1) or predicted non-responders (PNRs) (n=18, ES \leq -0.1) whilst filtering out 419 patients with an undirected ES (<+0.1 and >-0.1), MMAs and HCs. The clinical comparison 420 revealed that PRs had more frequent LABA use and significantly elevated sputum 421 neutrophils and lower sputum eosinophils and macrophages in addition to lower IgE levels 422 in contrast to PNRs (Table 1). Furthermore, PRs had lower levels of plasma eotaxin-3 and 423 serum IL-13 biomarkers as measured by Luminex or MSD analysis. PRs also had elevated 424 sputum levels of 11-dehydro-TXB₂, 5-HETE and LTB₄ (p=0.0526) but lower LTE₄ reflecting the 425 neutrophilic and low eosinophilic nature of the PR population (Table 2).

In a linear model (LM) of asthmatic sputum FZ-DOWN ES and medication usage, corrected for age, gender and BMI, we found no significant association between FZ-DOWN ES and OCS use (p=0.702). However, we did find a significant association between FZ-DOWN ES and LABA use (p=0.0243) where FZ-DOWN ES was elevated in the twice daily LABA use group (reflecting severity of disease, LM estimate=0.112) and least in the group not taking LABA at all (mildest subjects, LM estimate=-0.117).

433 DEGs between Predicted Responder (PR) and Predicted Non-Responder (PNR) severe 434 asthmatics

We performed DEG analysis between PR and PNR patients and identified 431 up and 19 down sputum DEGs which were significant with a log2 FC of over 1 or below -1 respectively. These are reported in **Supplementary Table 5**. ReactomePA pathway analysis on the up DEGs indicates a strong neutrophilic component with neutrophil degranulation, cytokine and chemokine receptor and Toll-like receptor (TLR) signalling as well as IL-10 and IFN pathways being highly enriched in PR subjects (**Fig 4, Supplementary Table 6**). The IL-33 receptor (IL1RL1, ST2) was greatly downregulated in the PR group.

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443 Sputum proteomic enrichment of FZ-DOWN signature

444 We then selected PRs and PNRs who had SomaLogic sputum proteomics data 445 available (n=32) (Supplementary Table 7). Differential protein analysis on the sputum 446 SomaLogic data confirmed a strong neutrophilic component (Table 3). Significantly 447 upregulated sputum proteins included the neutrophil modulator Sialic acid-binding 448 immunoglobulin-type lectins 9 (siglec-9), the neutrophil serine proteases cathepsin G and 449 azurocidin involved in neutrophil degranulation and microbial killing, B7_H2 which is a 450 costimulatory ligand for CD28, IL-6 which is involved in neutrophilic asthma and increased 451 differentiation of Th17 cells and Oxidized Low Density Lipoprotein Receptor 1 (OLR1) which 452 is involved in tissue remodelling. These proteins together with the enhanced expression of 453 neutrophil degranulation products implicate neutrophil activation as being a key component 454 of asthmatic subjects who are highly enriched for the FZ-DOWN signature.

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456 FZ-DOWN signature markers in blood

We then selected PRs and PNRs who had blood proteomics data available (n=42) (Supplementary Table 8). Differential protein analysis on blood SomaLogic data (Supplementary Table 9) defined potential FZ responders from non-responders as possessing lower blood IgE and a trend towards elevated expression of the neutrophil modulator siglec-9 and I-TAC as seen in the sputum proteomics analysis.

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463 IL-22 pathway and protein correlates with FZ-DOWN enrichment

In AD skin (20), IL-22 gene expression alone predicts the response to FZ. However, IL22 gene expression was not enriched in blood (Supplementary Fig 7A) or sputum according
to asthma severity (Supplementary Fig 7B) or in TAC2 asthmatics (Supplementary Fig 7C).
There was no correlation between FZ-DOWN and IL-22 gene expression in blood
(Supplementary Fig 7D), sputum (Supplementary Fig 7E), bronchial brushings
(Supplementary Fig 7F) or nasal brushings (Supplementary Fig 7G).

In contrast, the ES of the Th22/IL-22 signature was significantly correlated with FZ-470 DOWN ES in asthmatic sputum ($p=4.31 \times 10^{-14}$, r=0.656)(**Fig 5A**), bronchial brushings 471 (p<2.2x10⁻¹⁶, r=0.753)(Fig 5B), nasal brushings (p=8.53x10⁻¹³, r=0.755)(Fig 5C) and blood 472 (p=5.06x10⁻⁶, r=0.223). The Th22/IL-22 signature (**Supplementary Table 1**) consists of 16 473 474 genes including IL-22 itself and the Th22-specific marker CCR10 (20). Pathway analysis 475 identified several significantly enriched pathways including 'IL22 Induces Keratinocyte Proliferation in Psoriasis', 'Interleukin-19, 20, 22, 24 Homo sapiens R-HSA-8854691' and 'IL-476 477 the 17 signaling pathway'.

Importantly, sputum IL-22 protein was significantly enriched in patients with TAC2 asthma compared to those with TAC1 asthma (p=0.0112) and there was a significant correlation between sputum IL-22 protein expression and the FZ-DOWN ES when controlled for age, sex and BMI (p=0.0360, r=0.133)(**Fig 5D**). IL-22 protein in sputum also significantly correlated with FZ-DOWN ES in nasal brushings for all subjects (p=0.0443, r=0.423).

483 **DISCUSSION**

We demonstrate that an AD disease signature was enriched in severe neutrophilic 484 485 asthma in both the U-BIOPRED and ADEPT asthma cohorts and that these subjects were also 486 highly enriched for a gene signature indicative of a super-response to FZ. Pathway analysis 487 indicated that the AD-UP disease signature and the FZ-DOWN-response signature were a 488 composite of Th1, Th2, Th17, Th22 and general inflammatory processes and that sputum 489 proteins linked with a potential FZ response in asthma were associated with neutrophil 490 recruitment and activation. The FZ super-response signature did not correlate with IL-22 491 gene expression itself although there was a good correlation with the Th22/IL-22 gene 492 signature in nasal and bronchial brushings. Sputum IL-22 protein correlated significantly 493 with FZ-DOWN. Re-purposing transcriptomic data that defines a treatment response across 494 therapeutic areas may aid the stratification of patients for future clinical trials.

Early transcriptomic analysis of skin samples from psoriasis and AD subjects identified neutrophil chemoattractant genes as being highly expressed in both AD and psoriatic skin lesions (40). Furthermore, neutrophil elastase staining is elevated in lesional compared with non-lesion skin in AD patients but to a much lesser extent than seen in patients with psoriasis. This enhanced neutrophilia in AD may reflect concurrent infection with Staphylococcus aureus infection (41). Enhanced neutrophilia may reflect an enhanced Th1/Th17 drive.

502 The Th2/Th22 pathway is the major pathway in AD as recently confirmed using single cell 503 RNA-sequencing (42). This is seen across all age-groups, however, an enrichment of 504 Th1/Th17 genes is seen in lesional compared to non-lesional skin in adults (43). Indeed, the 505 usual Th2/Th22 drive in AD is skewed towards a Th1/Th17 phenotype with increasing age 506 (44) and severity of disease. For example, enhanced Th1/Th17 mediator expression is 507 reported in the blood of AD patients with severe but not mild disease (45). Importantly, 508 there was a good correlation between Th2/Th22/Th1/Th17 gene and protein expression 509 profiles in lesional and non-lesional AD samples (46).

Severe asthmatic PRs to FZ had neutrophilic or mixed granulocytic asthma, poor lung function and a low asthma quality of life despite frequent LABA use. These subjects also had lower serum IgE levels but with relatively greater atopic disposition, in contrast to subjects with T2 eosinophilic asthma (\geq 300 cells/µl), suggesting that an anti-IL-22 intervention may be targeted to non-T2 asthmatics with low IgE as opposed to those with a

515 high IgE neutrophilic phenotype (14,47). Gender, BMI and age did not affect the enrichment of the FZ response signature. Comparison of biomarkers between PRs and PNRs indicated 516 517 that PR subjects had elevated levels of 11-dehydro-TXB₂, 5-HETE and LTB₄ although the 518 latter did not quite reach significance. Leukotrienes are formed via a 5-LOX dependent 519 process in which arachidonic acid is converted to the unstable epoxide intermediate LTA₄, which can then be converted by either LTC₄ synthase (LTC₄S) to form the cysteinyl-520 521 leukotrienes or via LTA₄-hydrolase (LTA₄H) to form LTB₄. Neutrophils have known LTA₄H activity and sputum neutrophils have been previously reported to produce LTB₄ (48). 522 523 Accordingly, the elevated sputum LTB₄ levels in combination with the lower LTE₄ levels 524 among PR subjects collectively point towards a specific elevation of LTA₄H activity within 525 these neutrophilic subjects, which further support a non-T2 phenotype (49).

526 We have previously defined asthmatics according to their sputum molecular 527 phenotypes (3). The FZ-DOWN signature was enriched in TAC2 patients that suggests that 528 FZ may be useful for T2-low severe neutrophilic asthmatics. Pathway analysis of the 529 potential FZ responders versus non-responders highlighted the importance of neutrophil 530 degranulation products along with signalling downstream of TLRs, cytokine/chemokines 531 including neutrophil-associated mediators and chemoattractant receptors such as CXCL10, 532 CXCL11, CXCR1 and CXCR2, suggesting an activated neutrophil phenotype. Although 533 previously-defined pathways such as the NLRP3 inflammasome within TAC2 were not 534 specifically enriched in the FZ predicted responder versus non-responder subjects, factors 535 associated with inflammasome activation including IL-1 α and IL-1RAP are present (50).

536 At the cellular level, a significant increase in the percentage of airway neutrophils (75.5% vs 35.6%) and a significant decrease in the percentage of airway macrophages 537 538 (18.9% vs 32.5%) in the FZ predicted responders group were observed. Macrophages 539 phagocytose apoptotic neutrophils and contribute to inflammation resolution. It is 540 interesting to speculate whether a reduced number of airway macrophages observed could 541 adversely impede neutrophil clearance, thus promoting the elevated levels of airway 542 neutrophils in this endotype of asthma. Defects in neutrophil apoptosis and/or clearance 543 leading to airway neutrophilia have previously been reported in a small cohort of severe 544 atopic asthmatics with a low-eosinophilic phenotype ($\leq 3\%$ sputum eosinophils) (51).

545 We have previously shown that GM-CSF/CSF2RB- and IFN-activated macrophages as 546 well as lower enrichment of eosinophils were associated with childhood asthma (52). The

AD disease signature indicates that AD, although generally seen as a T2-dominant disease, also has different degrees of non-T2 driving pathways including Th1, Th17, Th22 and inflammatory pathways (20). Both GM-CSF and IFN pathways were also enriched within the FZ predicted responder population and interestingly, the potential responder-nonresponder pathways also indicated the enrichment of IL-10 signalling which is involved in the suppression of IL-5 and GM-CSF expression and eosinophil apoptosis (53). These pathways may also represent therapeutic targets in these SA patients.

The AD-DOWN signature is not enriched in asthmatic peripheral blood but shows some enrichment in airway samples. This signature includes lipid pathways and pathways associated with dysregulated dermal epithelial function that indicates remodelling of epithelial tissues is more prevalent in severe neutrophilic asthma airways. These pathways are also up-regulated by FZ which suggests that FZ may also impact upon asthmatic airway epithelial cell barrier function.

560 IL-22 possesses potential pro- and anti-inflammatory roles in asthma (11,15,16). In 561 mouse models of allergic sensitisation and challenge, IL-22 attenuates established Th2 cell-562 mediated allergic inflammation in vivo (11,54). However, IL-22 promotes allergic 563 inflammation in similar mouse models at the onset of allergic asthma (11,18), supporting 564 the view that IL-22 may be involved in the atopic march (17). While data from mouse models suggest that anti-IL-22 may be efficacious in early onset allergic asthma, our analysis 565 566 would indicate that IL-22 might have a pathogenic role in those with neutrophilic 567 inflammation with lower IgE levels.

In our analysis, IL-22 mRNA expression did not correlate with FZ response signatures in blood, sputum, nasal and bronchial brushings whereas there was a significant correlation with sputum IL-22 protein and with the Th22/IL-22 gene signature in sputum, bronchial and nasal brushings. This may reflect the local expression of IL-22 protein in the airways which is not detected at the mRNA level or is not observed due to lack of proteomics data for bronchial and nasal brushings. However, the up-regulation of the FZ-DOWN signature does indicate a significant impact of IL-22 on downstream signalling.

575 This study has several strengths and also some limitations. We derived a gene 576 signature from skin lesions of AD subjects (AD-UP) and also from patients with a good 577 clinical response and a clear transcriptomic response to FZ after 12 weeks of treatment (FZ-578 DOWN) to provide evidence for target engagement in the lesional tissue. We utilised the

579 large data-rich U-BIOPRED cohort to define subsets of patients who are more likely to 580 respond to FZ and validated this in a separate cohort of severe asthmatics. Importantly, we 581 were able to demonstrate markers of high enrichment of this response signature in nasal 582 brushings and peripheral blood. However, we do not have evidence that the changes seen 583 in the lesional skin of AD patients with FZ also occur in the airways of asthmatics. Animal 584 models of severe neutrophilic or mixed granulocytic asthma may be used to address this 585 issue. In asthma, baseline levels of IL-22 mRNA did not correlate with FZ-DOWN signature as predicted from the AD data. This suggests that additional mechanisms may occur in the 586 587 asthmatic airway compared to the skin. These mechanisms may be linked since there is a 588 strong correlation between the Th22/IL-22 and FZ-DOWN signatures. The good correlation 589 of both IL-22 sputum protein abundance and Th22/IL-22 signature ES with the FZ-DOWN 590 signature ES within nasal brushings indicates a potential alternative readily accessible 591 approach for identifying possible responder populations. Although this data was validated in 592 a separate SA cohort we have not measured the stability of the FZ-response signature over 593 time and whether this changes with T2-directed biologics.

594 This novel approach of molecularly characterising clinical super-responders to an 595 antibody drug in one disease followed by probing other disease databases may be a more 596 effective way of identifying predicted-responders at the endotypes level compared to 597 looking at drug-target levels alone. By exploiting pre-existing databases and clinical trial 598 data, this approach could lead to a reduction in drug development time and in research 599 costs. The greatest enrichment of the FZ PR signature was observed in severe neutrophilic 600 asthmatics. Furthermore, we found that blood and sputum gene expression and the 601 expression of several proteins in sputum can predict asthmatics with a high enrichment of a 602 FZ response signature in the airway. This stratification process will need validation in a 603 controlled clinical trial, while at the same time examining the long-term efficacy and side-604 effect profile of FZ in endotypes of severe asthma.

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774 **Table 1.** Clinical differences of predicted responders versus non-responders to Fezikinumab

in U-BIOPRED.

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Characteristic	FZ Predicted Responders	FZ Predicted Non- Responders	p value
Total (n)	26	18	
Age (years)	51.8 (12.7)	55.3 (14)	NS
BMI	28 (4.65)	26.3 (3.39)	NS
Gender: Female (n)	16	9	NS
Severe asthma, non-smokers (n)	18	13	NS
Severe asthma, smokers/ex-smokers (n)	8	5	NS
Severe exacerbation in previous year	2.27 (2.38)	1.72 (2.02)	NS
Nasal polyps (n)	8	6	NS
Eczema (n)	8	7	NS
Allergic rhinitis (n)	9	4	NS
Non-allergic rhinitis (n)	5	3	NS
Gastro-esophageal reflux (n)	12	7	NS
Hay fever (n)	11	5	NS
Positive atopic status (n)	11	6	NS
ACQ5 score	2.44 (1.23)	1.79 (1.31)	NS
AQLQ score	4.35 (1.22)	4.98 (1.41)	NS
HADS score	12.3 (8.16)	10.5 (8.91)	NS
SNOT score	31.2 (18.2)	22.6 (10.8)	NS
FEV1 (% predicted)	63.7 (24.3)	67.2 (17.5)	NS
FVC (% predicted)	86.9 (20.4)	95.3 (17.4)	NS
FEV1/FVC	59.3 (13.1)	57.2 (8.79)	NS
FeNO (ppb)	35 (33)	54.7 (46.9)	NS
Serum IgE (IU/L)	204 (358)	332 (294)	0.02
Blood eosinophil (/10-9L)	0.277 (0.155)	0.401 (0.305)	NS
Blood neutrophil (/10-9L)	4.93 (1.93)	5.41 (2.44)	NS
Blood lymphocyte (/10-9L)	2.12 (0.936)	2.1 (0.9)	NS
Blood monocyte (/10-9L)	0.634 (0.278)	0.581 (0.222)	NS
Sputum neutrophils (%)	75.7 (16.6)	35.6 (18)	2.26E- 08
Sputum eosinophils (%)	3.9 (5.55)	30.4 (26.5)	0.0009
Sputum lymphocyte (%)	1.5 (1.6)	1.46 (1.26)	NS
Sputum macrophage (%)	18.9 (14.4)	32.5 (20.8)	0.025
Sputum mast cell (%)	0.0346 (0.087)	0.0333 (0.101)	NS
Oral corticosteroid use daily (n)	12	9	NS
LABA use twice a day (n)	12	2	0.039

777 ACQ: Asthma Control Questionnaire; AQLQ: Asthma Quality of Life Questionnaire; BMI:

778 Body Mass Index; FEV1: Forced expiratory volume in one second; FVC: Forced vital capacity;

779 FeNO: Fractional exhaled nitric oxide; HADS: Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale; ICS:

- 780 Inhaled corticosteroids; LABA: long-acting beta agonist; SNOT: SinoNasal Outcome Test.
- 781 Data shown as mean (Standard Deviation).
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Table 2. Molecular marker differences of Predicted Responders versus Predicted Non Responders to Fezakinumab in the U-BIOPRED severe asthma patients.

Biomarker	FZ Predicted	FZ Predicted Non-	n valuo
	Responders	Responders	p value
lpha1 microglobulin (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	6120 (2210)	7500 (2390)	NS
C5a (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	50.8 (33.4)	38.9 (21.6)	NS
CD30 (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	38.9 (17.1)	42.5 (14.7)	NS
CD40L (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	4420 (1990)	5210 (2300)	NS
DPPIV (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	98500 (48100)	91500 (24300)	NS
Galectin 3 (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	5550 (2050)	5770 (1470)	NS
IL-18 (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	247 (152)	234 (73.8)	NS
IL-1 $lpha$ (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	35.5 (9.95)	36.2 (6.12)	NS
IL-6Rα (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	10600 (2450)	10900 (2020)	NS
LBP (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	2110000 (891000)	1820000 (668000)	NS
Lumican (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	131000 (37000)	136000 (25300)	NS
MCP4 (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	142 (44.7)	168 (71.2)	NS
MMP3 (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	21400 (18300)	24500 (17900)	NS
RAGE (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	1260 (414)	1320 (382)	NS
Serpin E1 (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	95000 (30400)	97600 (19900)	NS
SHBG (pg/ml) Luminex (serum)	3640000 (2840000)	4780000 (4670000)	NS
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CCL17 (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	77.5 (70.8)	134 (120)	NS
CCL22 (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	796 (316)	866 (218)	NS
EOTAXIN (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	118 (60.1)	140 (67.6)	NS
EOTAXIN3 (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	15 (15.4)	72.4 (130)	0.00097
IFNγ (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	12.2 (12.8)	7.44 (6.18)	NS
IL-6 (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	1.21 (1.01)	0.804 (0.335)	NS
IL-8 (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	6.02 (9.75)	3.78 (1.86)	NS
IP10 (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	386 (250)	305 (183)	NS
MCP1 (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	117 (36.8)	119 (38.4)	NS
MIP1 $eta$ (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	56.1 (18.1)	63.5 (29.8)	NS
TNFα (pg/ml) MSD (plasma)	1.84 (0.483)	1.94 (0.632)	NS
CCL18 (pg/ml) IMPACT serum	169 (63.3)	228 (106)	NS
IL-13 (pg/ml) IMPACT serum	0.608 (0.494)	0.942 (0.384)	0.0074
IL-17A (pg/ml) SINGULEX serum	0.58 (0.381)	0.455 (0.258)	NS
Periostin (ng/ml) ELECSYS serum	51.2 (19.5)	54.2 (16.5)	NS
hCRP (mg/L)	6.29 (11)	1.69 (1.33)	NS
11-dehydroTXB ₂ (ng/ml) urine	13.9 (8.96)	14.2 (10.5)	NS

2,3 dinor-11 $eta$ PGF2 $lpha$ (ng/ml) urine	73.8 (30.9)	94.8 (86)	NS
2,3 dinor 8isoPGF2 $lpha$ (ng/ml) urine	244 (137)	296 (319)	NS
2,3 dinor TXB ₂ (ng/ml) urine	68.1 (46.6)	52.2 (41.3)	NS
8,12 isoPGF2α (ng/ml) urine	386 (240)	430 (408)	NS
8 isoPGF2 $lpha$ (ng/ml) urine	29.3 (11.8)	32.3 (19.6)	NS
LTE ₄ (ng/ml) urine	9.28 (8.35)	10 (6.13)	NS
PGE2 (ng/ml) urine	20.2 (23.2)	18.5 (14.8)	NS
PGF2 $\alpha$ (ng/ml) urine	132 (102)	130 (75.1)	NS
Tetranor PGDM (ng/ml) urine	299 (115)	305 (257)	NS
tetranorPGEM (ng/ml) urine	1180 (1190)	1030 (539)	NS
11 dehydroTXB ₂ (pg/mL) sputum	231 (283)	63.4 (23.9)	0.00438
12-HETE (pg/mL) sputum	1470 (1300)	1980 (1410)	NS
15-HETE (pg/mL) sputum	4490 (6900)	7180 (9130)	NS
5-HETE (pg/mL) sputum	1570 (1500)	964 (1630)	0.0322
6-ketoPGF1α (pg/mL) sputum	58.6 (27.1)	53.7 (23.6)	NS
LTB ₄ (pg/mL) sputum	801 (756)	774 (1540)	NS
LTE ₄ (pg/mL) sputum	319 (372)	763 (1030)	0.0312
PGD2 (pg/mL) sputum	269 (317)	174 (159)	NS
PGE2 (pg/mL) sputum	390 (363)	202 (135)	NS
Tetranor PGDM (pg/mL) sputum	66 (57.4)	54.8 (51.9)	NS
Tetranor PGEM (pg/mL) sputum	76.3 (49.1)	67.6 (53.3)	NS

**Table 3.** Top and bottom 20 differentially expressed sputum proteins that differentiate U-BIOPRED asthmatic FZ predicted responders (PRs) from predicted non-responders (PNRs) defined from asthma sputum GSVA FZ response signature ES which had sputum proteomic data available (see Supplementary Table 7, see Supplementary Figure 4). Genes are ranked according to log₂ fold change.

Upregulated					
<u>Gene Symbol</u>	Log2 Fold Change	Fold Change	<u>P value</u>	<u>FDR-BH adjusted P</u> <u>value</u>	
Siglec_9	2.04	4.11	0.0066	0.1928	
Hemoglobin	1.98	3.96	0.01807	0.2210	
PSA1	1.75	3.37	0.01409	0.2059	
Cathepsin_G	1.70	3.25	0.00048	0.1368	
Carbonic_anhydrase_I	1.45	2.74	0.00081	0.1370	
SRCN1	1.43	2.70	0.00702	0.1928	
Azurocidin	1.40	2.65	0.00251	0.1661	
PLCG1	1.30	2.46	0.01068	0.2059	
resistin	1.29	2.45	0.09375	0.3715	
Factor_I	1.28	2.44	0.14821	0.4261	
IL_6	1.28	2.43	0.00390	0.1869	
B7_H2	1.19	2.29	0.04214	0.2830	
Ferritin	1.18	2.27	0.0127	0.2059	
IP_10	1.15	2.23	0.01319	0.2059	
Elastase	1.08	2.12	8.53E-05	0.0959	
Transferrin	1.06	2.09	0.16571	0.4476	
OLR1	1.02	2.03	0.00309	0.1735	
I_TAC	0.99	1.99	0.04652	0.2875	
Granzyme_B	0.99	1.98	0.03350	0.2599	
Esterase_D	0.97	1.96	0.06937	0.338	

Downregulated					
	Log2 Fold	Fold Change	<b>B</b> value	FDR-BH adjusted P	
<u>Gene Symbol</u>	<u>Change</u>	Fold Change	<u>P value</u>	value	
a2_Antiplasmin	-1.28	0.40	0.02414	0.2441	
Fucosyltransferase_3	-1.29	0.40	0.28234	0.5445	
PCSK9	-1.29	0.40	0.00876	0.2017	
CATZ	-1.29	0.40	0.04350	0.2830	
Kininogen_HMW	-1.37	0.38	0.08360	0.3495	
IGFBP_4	-1.37	0.38	0.03957	0.2800	
Cathepsin_B	-1.38	0.38	0.00473	0.1869	
Phosphoglycerate_mutase_1	-1.46	0.36	0.0435	0.2830	
Histone_H2A_z	-1.51	0.34	0.00838	0.2007	
FETUB	-1.52	0.34	0.05755	0.3169	
Clusterin	-1.55	0.34	0.00521	0.1892	
Plasminogen	-1.56	0.33	0.00596	0.1928	
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amyloid_precursor_protein	-1.60	0.32	0.0251	0.2441	
PCI	-1.62	0.32	0.01463	0.2079	
Integrin_aVb5	-1.62	0.32	0.00678	0.1928	
PTHrP	-1.65	0.31	0.00122	0.1370	
CD39	-1.72	0.30	0.00039	0.1368	
MIS	-1.73	0.30	0.00130	0.1370	
PAPP_A	-1.76	0.29	0.01554	0.2079	
Antithrombin_III	-2.31	0.20	0.00490	0.1869	

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795 Figure legends

796 Figure 1. Gene Set Variation Analysis (GSVA) showing enrichment scores (ES) of gene 797 signatures derived from genes up-regulated (UP) in lesional versus non-lesional tissue from 798 atopic dermatitis (AD). Disease signatures are derived from either the Brunner paper (AD-799 UP, A-D) or from an AD meta-analysis-derived AD (MADAD, E-H). The ES for these signatures 800 in U-BIOPRED blood (A, E) and sputum (B-D and F-H) according to severity (A, B, E, F), 801 Transcriptome-Associated Cluster (TAC) (C, G) and sputum granulocyte subtype (D, H). 802 Between group adjusted p values are provided compared to HC values. *p<0.05, **p<0.01, ***p<0.001 and ****p<0.0001). Abbreviations: HC; Healthy Control, MMA; Mild-Moderate 803 804 Asthma. SAs/ex; Severe Asthma smoker/ex-smoker. SAns; Severe Asthma non-smoker, P; 805 pauci-granulocytic, E; eosinophilic, N; neutrophilic and M; Mixed.

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Figure 2. Gene Set Variation Analysis (GSVA) showing enrichment scores (ES) of 807 808 Fezakinumab (FZ) treatment response signatures of downregulated genes (FZ-DOWN) in 809 lesion versus non-lesional tissue from atopic dermatitis (AD). ES for AD-UP signatures are 810 given for U-BIOPRED blood (A-C) and sputum (D-F) according to asthma severity (A, D), 811 Transcriptome-Associated Clusters (TAC) (B, E) and granulocyte subtype (C, F). Between 812 group adjusted p values are provided compared to HC values. *p<0.05, **p<0.01, ***p<0.001 and ****p<0.0001). Abbreviations: HC; Healthy Control, MMA; Mild-Moderate 813 814 Asthma. SAs/ex; Severe Asthma smoker/ex-smoker. SAns; Severe Asthma non-smoker, P; 815 Pauci-granulocytic, E; Eosinophilic, N; Neutrophilic and M; Mixed.

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817 Figure 3. Gene Set Variation Analysis (GSVA) showing enrichment scores (ES) of gene 818 signatures derived from genes up-regulated (UP) in lesion versus non-lesional tissue from atopic dermatitis (AD) in the ADEPT (Airway Disease Endotyping for Personalized 819 820 Therapeutics) cohort by granulocytic subtype. Disease signatures are derived from either the Brunner paper (AD-UP, A, upper panel) or from an AD meta-analysis-derived AD 821 822 (MADAD, A, lower panel). ES of the Fezakinumab (FZ)-DOWN signature obtained from 823 lesional versus non-lesion tissue after 12 weeks treatment (B). Between group adjusted p 824 values are provided compared to HC values. *p<0.05. Abbreviations: HC; Healthy Control, 825 P; Pauci-granulocytic, E; Eosinophilic, N; Neutrophilic and M; Mixed.

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**Figure 4.** Protein pathway analysis using ReactomePA of differentially-expressed genes (false discovery rate, FDR<0.05) that distinguish asthmatic patients highly-enriched (Predicted Responders, PRs) for the Fezakinumab (FZ)-response signature (FZ-DOWN) from those poorly-enriched (Predicted Non-Responders, PNRs) for this signature.

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**Figure 5.** Correlation of the transcriptomic enrichment score (ES) of the signature of genes down-regulated by Fezakinumab (FZ) treatment (FZ-DOWN) in lesional samples from atopic dermatitis patients against the ES of the Th22/IL-22 pathway genes in (A) sputum (B) bronchial brushings and (C) nasal brushings of asthmatic subjects and against sputum IL-22 protein abundance in the sputum of asthmatic subjects (D). The correlation for sputum IL-22 protein was controlled for age, gender and body mass index.

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Interferon gamma signaling



Figure 4

#### Supplementary data

#### Mapping atopic dermatitis and anti-IL-22 response signatures to Type 2-low asthma

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# Supplementary Table 1. Gene signatures

Signature name	Gene list	Reference
	S100A9 OASL C10orf99 AKR1B10 PRSS53 LINC01094 TEX101	
	TMPRSS4 SERPINB4 TRIM10 SERPINB3 KRT16 S100A8 CLEC7A	
	KYNU SPRR2C IGFL1 S100A7A PI3 TFEC SERPINB13 EPSTI1 TCN1	
	FBN2 CCNA2 PTPRC SELL SAMSN1 HAS3 ICOS IL7R GZMB NELL2	
	CD274 CTLA4 RGS1 MMP12 LGALS2 CXCL2 CD2 DSC2 PI15 LILRB2	
	CST7 SERPINA1 COL6A5 GPR65 SASH3 RGS18 CXCL1 COL6A6	
Brunner AD disease	COL4A4 MMP1 GALNT6 DPY19L1 SPC25 BATF3 OAS2 PLAU	1
signature UP	STEAP4 RTP4 PLAC8 UBD ICAM1 SLAMF7 BCL2A1 UPP1 ADAM23	
	ITGAX CLEC4A LAIR2 GNLY CFB CYTIP SNX20 CH25H SAMD9L	
	IL2RG ADAM19 ADAM8 MNDA XCL1 ST8SIA4 IL24 CCL5 XCL2 CD52	
	SELE CYP27B1 JAML IL15 JAK3 MIR155HG GPRIN3 IFI44 TNFAIP6	
	PIK3R5 IL13RA2 FAM129C MARK1 ARHGAP9 PRKCQ PLXDC1	
	RUBCNL TNC CD47 APELA ADAMTS12 CPXM1SPINK6 KLHL6 TDO2	
	AGFG2 IL34 C5orf46 SCIN ARFGEF3 SYNE1 CPEB3 LOC284578	
Brunner AD disease	CHPT1 ST6GAL2 GPLD1 PNPLA3 SEMA3E LOC100996902 C1QTNF7	
signature DOWN	MFSD4A PSORS1C2 MACROD2 SCGB2A1 WIF1 FMO5 ZNF254	1
0	FABP7 MYOT FOLR1 NELL1 BTC PHYHIP IL37	
MADAD UP	DEFB4A DEFB4B SERPINB4 S100A9 SERPINB3 MMP1 S100A7A	
signature	IGFL1 MMP12 AKR1B10 C10orf99 PI3 OASL TMPRSS4 DSC2 GZMB	
0	SERPINB13 FOSL1 LCE3D SPRR2D SPRR2B SELE ARNTL2 SPRR3	
	SPRR1A COL4A4 CLEC7A COL6A5 CXCL10 CCL18 HPSE S100A8	
	RRM2 IL36G APELA NR4A3 PRSS53 APOBEC3A APOBEC3A B	
	KRT16 COL6A6 RGS1 EPSTI1 KLHDC7B HAS3 CXCL1 GALNT6	
	DLGAP5 CD274 CTLA4 CD1B SLAMF7 CEP55 LTF ASPM KIF4A	
	MKI67 SLC2A1 CH25H ZBED2 GPR171 SAMSN1 KIE20A CDCA2	
	SPRR1B CENPE CXCL8 CCL22 S100A7 BUB1 RTP4 RGS20 NETO2	
	TRIP13 APOBEC3B CDK1 PKP1 PRKCO IVL CDKN3 BCL2A1 TYMP	
	ISG20 FCHSD1 IL7R SLC26A9 LGALS2 OAS2 NAPSB MMP9 CASC5	
	KIAA0101 RAB27A CST7 GPRIN1 TTC39A TGM1 INA VMP1 MIR21	
	CCL17 BLM NDC80 UGT1A1 UGT1A10 UGT1A8 UGT1A7 UGT1A6	
	UGT1A5 UGT1A9 UGT1A4 UGT1A3 MIR155HG MIR155 CXCL2	
	IL13RA2 CD28 CYTIP PRSS27 KLK8 KLK9 ITK NUF2 MPZL2 BIRC5	
	PI15 HMMR MXD1 HS3ST3A1 PRKCQ-AS1 MIAT ADAM19 GZMA	2
	SH3PXD2A-AS1 GPR183 BATF3 CNFN KIF14 SOCS3 AURKA IRF7	
	LCK NCAPG CENPF WNT5A OAS3 PRR11 PCDH7 MELK CDCA5	
	MOXD1 CCL26 KYNU MS4A14 SELL LTB KCNJ15 ANGPTL4 TNC	
	CCNB1 STAT1 CCL2 SERPINA1 SASH3 ADAM8 IL36RN RSAD2 SMC4	
	IFI44 FOSB IRF1 CEMIP CD2 TEX101 TMEM45B F12 CCNB2 UBD	
	GABBR1 C12orf56 PTPN7 ECT2 KLK10 PLAUR SPC25 FAM83A PLAU	
	WWTR1 POLQ C9orf84 FGFBP1 SFT2D2 FPR1 C21orf91 SPTLC2	
	IL18RAP CCR7 CCL13 DSG3 PTPRC TOP2A KIF2C KIAA1644 SPRR2C	
	CDC20 ASF1B SNX20 LINC01094 UBE2T CXorf65 CD3D TTK LILRB2	
	CCNA2 CENPA SLC35F6 HERC6 IL12RB1 SLC28A3 HBEGF CLEC10A	
	OAS1 POLR3G IL2RG CDH3 XCL2 XCL1 CCL5 TNFRSF12A KRT6A	
	MIR142 BUB1B NUSAP1 CYP27B1 CACNB4 ADAMDEC1 DIAPH3	
	SCO2 ADAM10 CD69 TIFAB PML MX1 SLC5A1 SLAMF1 CORO1A	
	C12orf29 C12orf5 SAMD9 UBE2C DNASE1L3 ZC3H12A MIR6732	
	NEIL3 SLFN5 CKAP2L KRT6B P2RY1 P2RY2 FAS PLXDC1 LRP8 HJURP	

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	VME111 HTR2A TRAT1 TVMD RAR21 CED55 NCADC KIE20A DIACS	
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	OGITAS GPATCHA REIVISA PLEDI DIL NETOZ FLVCRZ ENF APOS	
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ID	Description	Gene Ratio	Bg Ratio	P value	p. djust	Q value	genelD	Count
R-HSA- 6783783	Interleukin-10 signaling	12/212	47/10554	8.90E-11	3.03E-08	2.68E-08	ICAM1/CXCL1/CCL19/CXCL8/CX CL10/CCL5/CCR1/CCL20/CD86/C CL22/STAT3/PTAFR	12
R-HSA-380108	Chemokine receptors bind chemokines	12/212	48/10554	1.16E-10	3.03E-08	2.68E-08	CXCL1/XCL1/CCL13/CCL19/XCL2 /CXCL8/CXCL9/CXCL10/CCL5/C CR1/CCL20/CXCL11	12
R-HSA-449147	Signaling by Interleukins	33/212	462/10554	1.61E-10	3.03E-08	2.68E-08	LYN/ICAM1/IL2RG/CXCL1/MMP1/ IL13RA2/CCL19/IL36G/IL7R/JAK3 /IL12RB1/ITGB2/BIRC5/CXCL8/M MP9/CXCL10/CCL5/LCK/CCR1/C CL20/CD86/S100A12/CCL22/STA T3/CSF2RA/IL13RA1/VEGFA/LCN 2/CEBPD/SOD2/IL26/PTAFR/STA T1	33
R-HSA- 6785807	Interleukin-4 and Interleukin-13 signaling	16/212	108/10554	3.98E-10	5.59E-08	4.95E-08	ICAM1/IL2RG/MMP1/IL13RA2/JA K3/ITGB2/BIRC5/CXCL8/MMP9/C CL22/STAT3/IL13RA1/VEGFA/LC N2/CEBPD/STAT1	16
R-HSA- 6798695	Neutrophil degranulation	29/212	479/10554	9.37E-08	1.02E-05	9.04E-06	S100A8/S100A9/CXCL1/SELL/MN DA/TCN1/PTPRC/SERPINB3/PLA UR/ACTR2/ITGB2/LYZ/LTF/SERP INA1/MMP9/PLAU/S100A12/S100 A7/RAB27A/LCN2/DOCK2/RAB31 /PLAC8/RHOF/HPSE/ARHGAP9/P TAFR/RAB7A/LRG1	29
R-HSA-909733	Interferon alpha/beta	11/212	69/10554	1.08E-07	1.02E-05	9.04E-06	MX1/IRF1/IFI6/OAS2/OAS1/OASL /IFI35/OAS3/RSAD2/SAMHD1/ST	11

Supplementary Table 2. ReactomePA pathway enrichment FZ-DOWN signature. P values adjusted by FDR-BH with cutoff < 0.05.

	signaling						AT1	
R-HSA- 6803157	Antimicrobial peptides	12/212	97/10554	5.02E-07	4.03E-05	3.57E-05	S100A8/S100A9/PI3/DEFB4A/S10 0A7A/LYZ/LTF/GNLY/S100A7/LC N2/DEFB103B/RNASE7	12
R-HSA- 2514853	Condensation of Prometaphase Chromosomes	5/212	11/10554	1.30E-06	9.17E-05	8.13E-05	SMC4/CCNB2/CDK1/CCNB1/NCA PG	5
R-HSA- 2500257	Resolution of Sister Chromatid Cohesion	12/212	124/10554	6.98E-06	0.00043	0.00038	BIRC5/CCNB2/CDK1/BUB1B/NDC 80/CENPE/CENPF/BUB1/SPC25/ CCNB1/CENPN/NUF2	12
R-HSA-913531	Interferon Signaling	15/212	197/10554	9.82E-06	0.00051	0.00045	MX1/IRF1/ICAM1/IFI6/OAS2/OAS 1/OASL/IFI35/OAS3/TRIM10/RSA D2/GBP1/SAMHD1/PTAFR/STAT 1	15
R-HSA-388841	Costimulation by the CD28 family	9/212	70/10554	1.01E-05	0.00051	0.00045	LYN/CD3E/CD28/ICOS/CD274/CT LA4/LCK/CD86/CD3D	9
R-HSA-877300	Interferon gamma signaling	10/212	92/10554	1.48E-05	0.00069	0.00061	IRF1/ICAM1/OAS2/OAS1/OASL/O AS3/TRIM10/GBP1/PTAFR/STAT 1	10
R-HSA- 9020958	Interleukin-21 signaling	4/212	10/10554	3.02E-05	0.00130	0.00115	IL2RG/JAK3/STAT3/STAT1	4
R-HSA-68877	Mitotic Prometaphase	14/212	198/10554	4.46E-05	0.00179	0.00158	SMC4/BIRC5/CCNB2/CDK1/BUB1 B/NDC80/CENPE/CENPF/BUB1/S PC25/CCNB1/NCAPG/CENPN/NU F2	14
R-HSA-156588	Glucuronidation	5/212	25/10554	0.00011	0.00424	0.00376	UGT1A9/UGT1A6/UGT1A1/UGT1 A3/UGT1A8	5
R-HSA-141424	Amplification of signal from the	9/212	96/10554	0.00012	0.00424	0.00376	BIRC5/BUB1B/NDC80/CENPE/CE NPF/BUB1/SPC25/CENPN/NUF2	9

	kinetochores							
R-HSA-141444	Amplification of signal from unattached kineto chores via a MAD2 inhibitory signal	9/212	96/10554	0.00012	0.00424	0.00376	BIRC5/BUB1B/NDC80/CENPE/CE NPF/BUB1/SPC25/CENPN/NUF2	9
R-HSA- 1433557	Signaling by SCF- KIT	6/212	43/10554	0.00020	0.00626	0.00554	LYN/MMP9/LCK/CHEK1/STAT3/S TAT1	6
R-HSA-451927	Interleukin-2 family signaling	6/212	44/10554	0.00022	0.00675	0.00598	IL2RG/JAK3/LCK/STAT3/CSF2RA /STAT1	6
R-HSA-69620	Cell Cycle Checkpoints	16/212	293/10554	0.00027	0.00772	0.00684	BIRC5/CCNB2/CDK1/CCNA2/BUB 1B/NDC80/CENPE/CHEK1/BLM/C ENPF/BUB1/SPC25/CCNB1/CEN PN/NUF2/MCM10	16
R-HSA-418594	G alpha (i) signalling events	19/212	396/10554	0.00038	0.0104	0.00920	RGS1/CXCL1/LRP8/GPR183/CCL 13/AKR1B10/CCL19/RGS18/CXC L8/CXCL9/CXCL10/CCL5/CCR1/C CL20/PRKCQ/RGS20/CXCL11/DH RS9/S1PR5	19
R-HSA-69618	Mitotic Spindle Checkpoint	9/212	112/10554	0.00041	0.0105	0.00932	BIRC5/BUB1B/NDC80/CENPE/CE NPF/BUB1/SPC25/CENPN/NUF2	9
R-HSA-375276	Peptide ligand- binding receptors	12/212	190/10554	0.00044	0.0105	0.00932	CXCL1/XCL1/CCL13/CCL19/XCL2 /CXCL8/CXCL9/CXCL10/CCL5/C CR1/CCL20/CXCL11	12
R-HSA- 5663220	RHO GTPases Activate Formins	10/212	138/10554	0.00045	0.0105	0.00932	BIRC5/BUB1B/NDC80/CENPE/CE NPF/BUB1/SPC25/CENPN/NUF2/ DIAPH3	10
R-HSA-202433	Generation of second messenger	5/212	33/10554	0.00046	0.0105	0.00932	LCP2/CD3E/ITK/LCK/CD3D	5

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R-HSA-389513	CTLA4 inhibitory signaling	4/212	21/10554	0.00072	0.0157	0.0139	LYN/CTLA4/LCK/CD86	4
R-HSA-373076	Class A/1 (Rhodopsin-like receptors)	16/212	324/10554	0.00082	0.0172	0.0153	CXCL1/GPR183/XCL1/CCL13/CC L19/XCL2/CXCL8/CXCL9/CXCL10 /CCL5/CCR1/CCL20/P2RY2/CXC L11/PTAFR/S1PR5	16
R-HSA-202427	Phosphorylation of CD3 and TCR zeta chains	4/212	22/10554	0.00087	0.0175	0.0155	CD3E/PTPRC/LCK/CD3D	4
R-HSA-389948	PD-1 signaling	4/212	23/10554	0.00103	0.0201	0.0178	CD3E/CD274/LCK/CD3D	4
R-HSA- 6809371	Formation of the cornified envelope	9/212	129/10554	0.00114	0.0215	0.0191	PI3/SPRR2D/KRT16/LCE3D/DSG 3/KLK13/TGM1/DSC2/KLK8	9
R-HSA-198933	Immunoregulatory interactions between a Lymphoid and a non-Lymphoid cell	9/212	132/10554	0.00135	0.0245	0.0217	ICAM1/SELL/CD3E/SH2D1A/ITGB 2/CD8A/CD1B/CD3D/SLAMF7	9
R-HSA-69273	Cyclin A/B1/B2 associated events during G2/M transition	4/212	25/10554	0.00143	0.0245	0.0217	CCNB2/CDK1/CCNA2/CCNB1	4
R-HSA- 8854691	Interleukin-20 family signaling	4/212	25/10554	0.00143	0.0245	0.0217	JAK3/STAT3/IL26/STAT1	4
R-HSA-389359	CD28 dependent Vav1 pathway	3/212	12/10554	0.00153	0.0247	0.0219	CD28/LCK/CD86	3
R-HSA- 9020558	Interleukin-2 signaling	3/212	12/10554	0.00153	0.0247	0.0219	IL2RG/JAK3/LCK	3
R-HSA-75035	Chk1/Chk2(Cds1)	3/212	13/10554	0.00196	0.0307	0.0272	CDK1/CHEK1/CCNB1	3

	mediated inactivation of Cyclin B:Cdk1 complex							
R-HSA-162658	Golgi Cisternae Pericentriolar Stack Reorganization	3/212	14/10554	0.00246	0.0365	0.0324	CCNB2/CDK1/CCNB1	3
R-HSA- 8983432	Interleukin-15 signaling	3/212	14/10554	0.00246	0.0365	0.0324	IL2RG/JAK3/STAT3	3
R-HSA-202403	TCR signaling	8/212	119/10554	0.00270	0.0390	0.0345	LCP2/CD3E/PTPRC/ITK/LCK/PRK CQ/CD3D/TRAT1	8
R-HSA- 2219530	Constitutive Signaling by Aberrant PI3K in Cancer	6/212	71/10554	0.00295	0.0416	0.0368	CD28/ICOS/LCK/CD86/TRAT1/HB EGF	6

Supplementary Table 3.	ReactomePA pathway enric	hment FZ-UP signature. P	values adjusted by FDR-BH	with cutoff < 0.2.
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ID	Description	Gene Ratio	Bg Ratio	P value	p. adjust	Q value	genelD	Count
R-HSA-1250342	PI3K events in ERBB4 signaling	2/60	10/10554	0.00138	0.108	0.102	ERBB4/BTC	2
R-HSA-163125	Post-translational modification: synthesis of GPI-anchored proteins	4/60	92/10554	0.00181	0.108	0.102	PRND/CNTN 4/GPIHBP1/ NEGR1	4
R-HSA-8847993	ERBB2 Activates PTK6 Signaling	2/60	13/10554	0.00238	0.108	0.102	ERBB4/BTC	2
R-HSA-1250347	SHC1 events in ERBB4 signaling	2/60	14/10554	0.00276	0.108	0.102	ERBB4/BTC	2
R-HSA-200425	Import of palmitoyl-CoA into the mitochondrial matrix	2/60	14/10554	0.00276	0.108	0.102	THRSP/PRK AA2	2
R-HSA-6785631	ERBB2 Regulates Cell Motility	2/60	15/10554	0.00318	0.108	0.102	ERBB4/BTC	2
R-HSA-1963640	GRB2 events in ERBB2 signaling	2/60	16/10554	0.00362	0.108	0.102	ERBB4/BTC	2
R-HSA-1963642	PI3K events in ERBB2 signaling	2/60	16/10554	0.00362	0.108	0.102	ERBB4/BTC	2
R-HSA-9008059	Interleukin-37 signaling	2/60	21/10554	0.00622	0.163	0.153	IL37/PTPN1 4	2
R-HSA-1250196	SHC1 events in ERBB2 signaling	2/60	22/10554	0.00682	0.163	0.153	ERBB4/BTC	2

**Supplementary Table 4.** Clinical characteristics of U-BIOPRED asthmatic Predicted Responders (PRs, ES of  $\geq$  +0.1) against predicted non-responders (PNRs, ES of  $\leq$  -0.1) defined from sputum transcriptomic GSVA of the FZ-DOWN signature. See main paper Table 1 for full breakdown.

	Predicted responders	Predicted non- responders
n	26	18
Sex		
Male	10	9
Female	16	9
Age mean, yrs	51.8	55.3
Cohort		
Severe Asthma non-smoker (SAns)	18	13
Severe Asthma smoker / ex-smoker (SAs/ex)	8	5

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**Supplementary Table 5.** Top 431 sputum and 19 down transcriptomic DEGS which differentiate U-BIOPRED asthmatic FZ predicted responders (PRs) from predicted non-responders (PNRs). Genes are ranked according to log₂ fold change. All results are significant by FDR adjusted p value.

### **Upregulated Genes**

Gene Symbol	Log ₂ Fold Change	FDR-BH adjusted p value
KCNJ2	2.89	1.57E-08
ANXA3	2.87	2.87E-07
CXCL10	2.60	2.72E-05
LRRK2	2.48	1.50E-06
IFIT2	2.44	4.57E-06
GCH1	2.44	1.39E-07
S100A12	2.42	1.05E-06
GRIP1	2.41	2.33E-07
IFIH1	2.37	2.19E-07
HS3ST3B1	2.34	1.29E-08
CXCL11	2.34	5.47E-04
RSAD2	2.34	2.77E-04
GBP5	2.31	2.83E-07
TNFAIP6	2.31	2.60E-08
CALHM6	2.23	8.43E-05
PTGS2	2.21	2.08E-06
LOC105372881	2.17	1.78E-06
TNFSF10	2.15	4.59E-06
IFIT3	2.09	1.59E-04
CCL8	2.08	6.15E-03
FAS	2.06	2.60E-08
DOCK4	2.04	4.55E-06
ISG20	2.03	1.05E-06
KCNJ15	2.01	9.25E-06
STEAP4	2.00	2.52E-06
CLEC4E	1.96	1.50E-06
SELL	1.95	2.74E-06
CXCR2	1.95	7.26E-06
IFITM1	1.95	2.85E-07
GPR84	1.90	1.32E-05
SLC30A4	1.90	1.50E-06
APOBEC3A	1.89	1.85E-06
TNIP3	1.88	3.09E-04
UBD	1.87	1.05E-06
CXCL9	1.86	8.52E-04
TNFRSF10C	1.86	1.13E-03

ACOD1	1.85	3.68E-03
СМРК2	1.82	1.98E-03
AIM2	1.82	1.77E-06
LIMK2	1.81	4.45E-07
PDE4B	1.79	1.99E-06
TIFA	1.78	8.83E-06
VNN3	1.78	3.93E-05
IRAK2	1.77	2.43E-05
IFIT1	1.76	2.43E-03
HIVEP2	1.75	4.52E-06
LINC01270	1.75	7.31E-05
GBP1	1.74	1.17E-06
PROK2	1.73	7.05E-05
WDFY3	1.72	3.96E-07
GJB2	1.71	5.33E-04
LMNB1	1.70	1.07E-06
RAB33B	1.70	6.48E-05
ID01	1.69	1.35E-03
HPSE	1.69	2.72E-05
N4BP1	1.69	3.77E-06
ZNF200	1.68	7.95E-06
PI3	1.67	6.13E-04
ANKRD22	1.66	4.28E-04
CASP4	1.66	6.41E-08
ALPL	1.64	4.30E-04
SERPINB9	1.64	1.70E-03
GBP4	1.64	6.35E-05
FPR2	1.63	7.13E-06
CXCR1	1.63	2.32E-04
FAM8A1	1.63	1.12E-05
TAGAP	1.63	2.43E-05
BAZ1A	1.63	4.67E-07
ARL5B	1.62	6.74E-06
BMT2	1.61	1.77E-06
LINC00266-1	1.61	4.00E-05
UBE2D1	1.60	1.05E-06
FBXO6	1.60	5.03E-04
MX2	1.59	6.30E-05
P2RY14	1.59	7.08E-04
MGAM	1.58	5.07E-04
LINC01215	1.58	8.85E-04
VNN2	1.58	4.52E-06
TSPAN2	1.57	7.10E-04

ORM1	1.57	3.98E-03
HAL	1.57	9.59E-04
SPATA13	1.57	2.79E-04
MRVI1	1.57	5.33E-04
KLHL15	1.57	1.54E-04
STAT4	1.57	1.86E-04
HERC5	1.56	1.41E-03
CEP83	1.55	9.96E-06
TMEM154	1.55	2.22E-04
FAM129A	1.55	1.68E-06
CMTM2	1.55	2.15E-05
LILRA2	1.55	1.50E-05
SP110	1.54	7.99E-05
CD274	1.54	1.19E-05
KRT23	1.54	7.26E-06
GLT1D1	1.54	1.45E-04
NBN	1.54	8.17E-06
KATNBL1	1.54	4.16E-04
QPCT	1.54	7.14E-07
MANSC1	1.54	1.04E-03
LINC01093	1.53	2.34E-03
ZNF267	1.53	2.33E-07
SMA5	1.53	2.88E-03
IL6ST	1.53	1.96E-05
MSRB1	1.53	6.35E-05
PLXNC1	1.53	8.43E-05
ARHGEF40	1.53	1.42E-04
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TLR1	1.52	2.33E-04
PTX3	1.52	2.50E-03
FFAR2	1.52	6.17E-04
BATF	1.52	1.46E-05
TNFSF13B	1.52	7.26E-06
GBP1P1	1.51	2.99E-04
ERV3-2	1.51	1.93E-03
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IRF1	1.50	2.88E-05
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CSF3R	1.45	1.05E-04
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DGAT2	1.44	1.31E-05
TRIM22	1.43	1.48E-04
CR1	1.43	1.51E-04
GIMAP4	1.43	9.40E-06
C15orf48	1.43	9.25E-06
TMCC3	1.43	5.04E-04
RAPGEF2	1.42	6.41E-05
TANK	1.42	2.10E-05
SORL1	1.41	8.43E-05
BATF2	1.41	1.32E-03
RHOH	1.41	4.14E-04
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HCAR3	1.40	5.99E-05
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HES1	1.38	2.46E-03
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KREMEN1	1.38	1.92E-04
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SLPI	1.35	7.69E-04
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LY96	1.34	3.77E-05
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IFITM3	1.32	3.77E-06
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RPGR	1.31	2.29E-04
SNX18	1.31	6.08E-05
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CYP4F3	1.28	8.08E-03
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WTAP	1.28	4.52E-06
SLC7A5	1.28	3.42E-04
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ADGRE2	1.28	7.95E-06
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CD48	1.27	1.81E-05
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PIP4P2	1.27	1.27E-03
ADAMDEC1	1.27	1.37E-02
LILRA5	1.27	1.14E-03
ATG3	1.27	4.49E-07
CD8A	1.27	1.22E-05
CSF2RB	1.27	1.05E-06
FCAR	1.26	4.20E-04
GZMB	1.26	8.76E-03
NFKBIZ	1.26	1.05E-06
TRAPPC13	1.26	4.08E-04
CCRL2	1.26	5.40E-04
TRAF1	1.26	9.95E-04
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CASP1	1.26	4.35E-05
DYSF	1.25	6.05E-04
SIGLEC5	1.25	8.35E-04
CPD	1.25	8.63E-04
SAMD9	1.25	2.11E-04
BRE-AS1	1.25	1.76E-03
DAPP1	1.25	3.37E-05
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POLB	1.24	9.88E-08
SBF2	1.24	1.69E-03
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PELI1	1.23	1.56E-04
TMEM185B	1.23	7.95E-06
RNF149	1.23	1.27E-05
SAMD9L	1.22	8.40E-04
TLR4	1.22	3.24E-05
USP10	1.22	1.92E-04
XRN1	1.22	1.85E-03
ZC3H12C	1.22	2.84E-03
SERPINB2	1.21	1.40E-02
STAT1	1.21	9.43E-05
PREX1	1.21	3.18E-04
SMCHD1	1.21	6.63E-05
PSMB8-AS1	1.21	8.07E-04

TMEM71	1.21	3.03E-03
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BICRAL	1.20	9.02E-05
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SCARF1	1.19	2.66E-03
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CNOT11	1.17	1.86E-04
COQ10B	1.17	2.62E-05
PCBP1-AS1	1.16	2.06E-02
ICAM1	1.16	1.74E-06
RNF213	1.16	9.69E-04
IPO11	1.16	5.41E-03
ABHD3	1.15	2.50E-03
RABGAP1L	1.15	9.11E-03
CDC42SE2	1.15	7.86E-05
ST8SIA4	1.15	1.53E-04
NFE2L2	1.15	8.17E-06
SEMA4A	1.15	2.60E-05
PRKCB	1.15	4.20E-03

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RGL4	1.15	9.09E-03
IRF2	1.14	1.35E-05
PARP14	1.14	3.67E-05
RIPOR2	1.14	4.05E-03
GTF2B	1.14	1.20E-04
MAP3K13	1.13	8.25E-04
MARCKS	1.13	4.67E-07
GBP3	1.13	2.88E-02
SP100	1.13	1.26E-04
FGL2	1.13	4.51E-04
TAB2	1.13	1.92E-04
SECTM1	1.13	1.11E-04
ELF2	1.13	2.29E-04
PAK1	1.13	1.72E-03
TCFL5	1.13	6.43E-03
GPR27	1.13	5.34E-04
FPR1	1.13	8.68E-06
DNTTIP2	1.13	3.01E-05
PTEN	1.12	5.67E-04
GZMA	1.12	1.26E-04
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VAV1	1.12	2.02E-05
TMEM88	1.12	3.85E-04
TLR2	1.12	6.85E-04
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DDX60L	1.11	1.74E-04
ZBTB21	1.11	3.68E-03
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CHD1	1.11	7.04E-05
PARP8	1.11	4.20E-04
МАК	1.11	9.43E-05
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BCL10	1.10	4.05E-04
RIN2	1.10	6.61E-03
SLAMF7	1.10	1.05E-02
TECPR2	1.10	2.30E-03

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CNTNAP3	1.09	3.94E-02
CHMP2B	1.09	1.35E-03
IDI2-AS1	1.09	2.73E-03
ICAM3	1.09	2.43E-03
EPM2AIP1	1.09	7.35E-03
DTX3L	1.09	5.29E-06
FCN1	1.09	1.42E-03
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SPATA1	1.09	1.23E-05
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BTNL8	1.08	6.11E-03
TIMP1	1.08	1.21E-04
STX3	1.07	8.73E-03
BCL2A1	1.07	2.85E-07
CDC42EP2	1.07	3.95E-03
PTENP1	1.07	4.54E-04
ERI1	1.07	5.18E-03
AGTPBP1	1.07	9.43E-05
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MX1	1.06	6.15E-03
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NAF1	1.05	5.17E-03
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НСК	1.05	4.47E-06
CEACAM1	1.05	5.10E-03
PSTPIP2	1.05	1.72E-03
DLEU2L	1.05	9.65E-03
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PPA1	1.05	3.52E-03
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LOC101928361	1.04	3.60E-03
PPP2R2A	1.04	2.73E-03
CHI3L1	1.04	4.93E-02
PJA2	1.04	2.60E-05
MITD1	1.04	1.29E-04
RALB	1.04	5.21E-05
SMA4	1.04	7.45E-03
BCL3	1.04	1.48E-04
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CYSTM1	1.03	1.96E-05
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IDI1	1.03	1.21E-04
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NFE4	1.03	2.35E-02
PHF20L1	1.02	1.33E-04
LYRM1	1.02	1.04E-03
NOD2	1.02	1.64E-03
MIA3	1.02	1.78E-03
GK3P	1.02	1.66E-04
PPP4R2	1.02	3.06E-05
CD55	1.02	8.79E-05
MIER1	1.02	5.94E-05
MLKL	1.02	1.24E-03
PIK3AP1	1.02	1.68E-05
ESCO1	1.01	2.59E-03
TREML2	1.01	1.70E-03
FCGR1A	1.01	3.45E-04
DDX60	1.01	1.34E-02
SRSF12	1.01	2.69E-03
DLGAP1-AS2	1.01	1.45E-03
WASHC2A	1.01	1.69E-03

USP32	1.01	3.95E-03
SPTY2D1	1.01	1.52E-03
ZFX	1.00	5.01E-04
CSRNP1	1.00	2.64E-04
РРРЗСА	1.00	3.95E-03
SLAMF1	1.00	4.26E-03
TDP2	1.00	3.68E-03
TLR6	1.00	4.16E-04

### **Downregulated Genes**

Gene Symbol	Log ₂ Fold Change	FDR-BH adjusted p value
TMC6	-1.01	5.61E-05
RNA45SN5	-1.01	1.33E-03
DTX4	-1.01	2.30E-02
TPSAB1	-1.05	4.41E-03
BHLHE41	-1.06	4.39E-02
SPOCD1	-1.08	9.65E-03
FIG4	-1.10	1.58E-02
TGM2	-1.12	4.09E-03
SLC7A8	-1.13	3.43E-04
CD1C	-1.15	3.78E-02
CCL17	-1.22	5.59E-03
HMG20B	-1.25	2.29E-04
PNPLA6	-1.25	1.07E-04
LPL	-1.34	2.59E-02
CHML	-1.43	9.61E-04
TPSB2	-1.51	1.30E-03
PDK4	-1.66	6.45E-03
PRSS33	-1.78	3.12E-02
IL1RL1	-1.91	1.17E-02

**Supplementary Table 6.** ReactomePA pathway enrichment of the 431 upregulated sputum transcriptomic DEGS which differentiate predicted U-BIOPRED asthmatic FZ predicted responder (PR) from predicted non-responder (PNR) patients (see supplementary Table 5). Pathway enrichment P values adjusted by FDR-BH with cut-off <0.05.

ID	Description	Gene Ratio	BgRatio	P value	P .adjust	Q value	genelD	Count
R-HSA-913531	Interferon Signaling	28/268	197/10554	9.04E-14	6.15E-11	5.45E-11	IFIT2/RSAD2/GBP5/IFIT3/ISG20/IFITM1/IF IT1/GBP1/GBP4/MX2/HERC5/IRF1/TRIM2 2/EIF4E3/IFITM2/IFITM3/PML/FCGR1B/S TAT1/OAS3/TRIM5/GBP2/ICAM1/IRF2/GB P3/SP100/MX1/FCGR1A	28
R-HSA-909733	Interferon alpha/beta signaling	15/268	69/10554	1.32E-10	4.50E-08	3.98E-08	IFIT2/RSAD2/IFIT3/ISG20/IFITM1/IFIT1/M X2/IRF1/IFITM2/IFITM3/STAT1/OAS3/GB P2/IRF2/MX1	15
R-HSA-6798695	Neutrophil degranulation	38/268	479/10554	3.13E-10	7.09E-08	6.28E-08	S100A12/TNFAIP6/SELL/CXCR2/GPR84/ HPSE/FPR2/CXCR1/MGAM/ORM1/QPCT/ PTX3/CD177/LRG1/CLEC4D/CR1/CXCL1/ SLPI/MNDA/FCAR/SIGLEC5/S100A8/NFA M1/S100P/S100A9/FGL2/FPR1/TLR2/CD9 3/FCN1/SLC15A4/CEACAM1/CHI3L1/AMP D3/CFP/CYSTM1/MMP25/CD55	38
R-HSA-877300	Interferon gamma signaling	16/268	92/10554	1.07E-09	1.82E-07	1.61E-07	GBP5/GBP1/GBP4/IRF1/TRIM22/PML/FC GR1B/STAT1/OAS3/TRIM5/GBP2/ICAM1/I RF2/GBP3/SP100/FCGR1A	16
R-HSA-449147	Signaling by Interleukins	36/268	462/10554	1.57E-09	2.14E-07	1.90E-07	CXCL10/S100A12/PTGS2/IRAK2/LMNB1/ STAT4/IL6ST/BATF/CSF3R/IL1A/OSM/CX CL1/IL18RAP/JAK3/IL1B/PELI2/PSMB9/IL 1R2/IRAK3/CSF2RB/CASP1/TBK1/PELI1/ SERPINB2/STAT1/CCL5/ICAM1/TAB2/FP R1/VAV1/TNF/TIMP1/STX3/IL1RAP/HCK/ NOD2	36

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R-HSA-6783783	Interleukin-10 signaling	11/268	47/10554	1.79E-08	2.02E-06	1.79E-06	CXCL10/PTGS2/IL1A/CXCL1/IL1B/IL1R2/ CCL5/ICAM1/FPR1/TNF/TIMP1	11
R-HSA-5686938	Regulation of TLR by endogenous ligand	7/268	19/10554	2.44E-07	2.37E-05	2.10E-05	TLR1/LY96/TLR4/S100A8/S100A9/TLR2/T LR6	7
R-HSA-168898	Toll-like Receptor Cascades	17/268	155/10554	3.85E-07	3.27E-05	2.90E-05	S100A12/IRAK2/UBE2D1/TLR1/TANK/LY9 6/PELI2/IRAK3/TBK1/PELI1/TLR4/S100A8 /S100A9/TAB2/TLR2/NOD2/TLR6	17
R-HSA-166016	Toll Like Receptor 4 (TLR4) Cascade	15/268	130/10554	9.86E-07	7.45E-05	6.59E-05	S100A12/IRAK2/UBE2D1/TLR1/TANK/LY9 6/PELI2/IRAK3/TBK1/PELI1/TLR4/TAB2/T LR2/NOD2/TLR6	15
R-HSA-5602498	MyD88 deficiency (TLR2/4)	5/268	10/10554	2.31E-06	1.43E-04	1.27E-04	TLR1/LY96/TLR4/TLR2/TLR6	5
R-HSA-446652	Interleukin-1 family signaling	15/268	139/10554	2.32E-06	1.43E-04	1.27E-04	S100A12/IRAK2/IL1A/IL18RAP/IL1B/PELI2 /PSMB9/IL1R2/IRAK3/CASP1/TBK1/PELI1 /TAB2/IL1RAP/NOD2	15
R-HSA-5603041	IRAK4 deficiency (TLR2/4)	5/268	11/10554	4.15E-06	2.29E-04	2.03E-04	TLR1/LY96/TLR4/TLR2/TLR6	5
R-HSA-166058	MyD88:MAL(TIRAP) cascade initiated on plasma membrane	12/268	95/10554	4.71E-06	2.29E-04	2.03E-04	S100A12/IRAK2/TLR1/LY96/PELI2/IRAK3/ PELI1/TLR4/TAB2/TLR2/NOD2/TLR6	12
R-HSA-168188	Toll Like Receptor TLR6:TLR2 Cascade	12/268	95/10554	4.71E-06	2.29E-04	2.03E-04	S100A12/IRAK2/TLR1/LY96/PELI2/IRAK3/ PELI1/TLR4/TAB2/TLR2/NOD2/TLR6	12
R-HSA-198933	Immunoregulatory interactions between a Lymphoid and a non- Lymphoid cell	14/268	132/10554	6.21E-06	2.62E-04	2.32E-04	SELL/IFITM1/LILRA2/CLEC2B/LILRA1/TR EML4/LILRA5/CD8A/SIGLEC5/ICAM1/SLA MF7/ICAM3/TREML2/FCGR1A	14
R-HSA-168179	Toll Like Receptor TLR1:TLR2 Cascade	12/268	98/10554	6.55E-06	2.62E-04	2.32E-04	S100A12/IRAK2/TLR1/LY96/PELI2/IRAK3/ PELI1/TLR4/TAB2/TLR2/NOD2/TLR6	12
R-HSA-181438	Toll Like Receptor 2 (TLR2) Cascade	12/268	98/10554	6.55E-06	2.62E-04	2.32E-04	S100A12/IRAK2/TLR1/LY96/PELI2/IRAK3/ PELI1/TLR4/TAB2/TLR2/NOD2/TLR6	12

R-HSA-9020702	Interleukin-1 signaling	12/268	103/10554	1.10E-05	4.16E-04	3.68E-04	S100A12/IRAK2/IL1A/IL1B/PELI2/PSMB9/I L1R2/IRAK3/PELI1/TAB2/IL1RAP/NOD2	12
R-HSA-380108	Chemokine receptors bind chemokines	8/268	48/10554	2.43E-05	8.71E-04	7.72E-04	CXCL10/CXCL11/CXCR2/CXCL9/CXCR1/ CXCL1/CCRL2/CCL5	8
R-HSA-140534	Caspase activation via Death Receptors in the presence of ligand	5/268	17/10554	4.90E-05	1.67E-03	1.48E-03	TNFSF10/FAS/LY96/TLR4/CFLAR	5
R-HSA-168643	Nucleotide-binding domain, leucine rich repeat containing receptor (NLR) signaling pathways	8/268	55/10554	6.74E-05	2.18E-03	1.93E-03	AIM2/IRAK2/CASP4/TNFAIP3/NLRP3/CA SP1/TAB2/NOD2	8
R-HSA-936440	Negative regulators of DDX58/IFIH1 signaling	6/268	34/10554	1.87E-04	5.79E-03	5.13E-03	IFIH1/UBE2D1/HERC5/NLRC5/TNFAIP3/T BK1	6
R-HSA-168638	NOD1/2 Signaling Pathway	6/268	36/10554	2.60E-04	7.69E-03	6.81E-03	IRAK2/CASP4/TNFAIP3/CASP1/TAB2/NO D2	6
R-HSA-5260271	Diseases of Immune System	5/268	24/10554	2.91E-04	7.91E-03	7.01E-03	TLR1/LY96/TLR4/TLR2/TLR6	5
R-HSA-5602358	Diseases associated with the TLR signaling cascade	5/268	24/10554	2.91E-04	7.91E-03	7.01E-03	TLR1/LY96/TLR4/TLR2/TLR6	5
R-HSA-5689896	Ovarian tumor domain proteases	6/268	38/10554	3.53E-04	9.24E-03	8.18E-03	IFIH1/TNIP3/UBE2D1/TNFAIP3/PTEN/NO D2	6
R-HSA-6785807	Interleukin-4 and Interleukin- 13 signaling	10/268	108/10554	4.09E-04	1.03E-02	9.12E-03	PTGS2/BATF/IL1A/OSM/JAK3/IL1B/STAT 1/ICAM1/TNF/TIMP1	10
R-HSA-5357769	Caspase activation via extrinsic apoptotic signalling pathway	5/268	27/10554	5.19E-04	1.26E-02	1.12E-02	TNFSF10/FAS/LY96/TLR4/CFLAR	5
R-HSA-9014325	TICAM1,TRAF6-dependent induction of TAK1 complex	4/268	17/10554	7.45E-04	1.69E-02	1.50E-02	IRAK2/LY96/TLR4/TAB2	4
R-HSA-975163	IRAK2 mediated activation	4/268	17/10554	7.45E-04	1.69E-02	1.50E-02	IRAK2/LY96/TLR4/TAB2	4

	of TAK1 complex upon TLR7/8 or 9 stimulation							
R-HSA-168928	DDX58/IFIH1-mediated induction of interferon- alpha/beta	8/268	78/10554	7.85E-04	1.72E-02	1.52E-02	S100A12/IFIH1/UBE2D1/HERC5/NLRC5/T ANK/TNFAIP3/TBK1	8
R-HSA-1236975	Antigen processing-Cross presentation	9/268	99/10554	9.04E-04	1.74E-02	1.54E-02	TLR1/LY96/PSMB9/FCGR1B/TLR4/TLR2/ TAP1/FCGR1A/TLR6	9
R-HSA-168164	Toll Like Receptor 3 (TLR3) Cascade	9/268	99/10554	9.04E-04	1.74E-02	1.54E-02	S100A12/IRAK2/UBE2D1/TANK/LY96/TBK 1/TLR4/TAB2/NOD2	9
R-HSA-73887	Death Receptor Signalling	11/268	141/10554	9.18E-04	1.74E-02	1.54E-02	TNFSF10/FAS/ARHGEF40/TNFAIP3/NSM AF/TRAF1/PREX1/TAB2/VAV1/CFLAR/TN F	11
R-HSA-936964	Activation of IRF3/IRF7 mediated by TBK1/IKK epsilon	4/268	18/10554	9.39E-04	1.74E-02	1.54E-02	TANK/LY96/TBK1/TLR4	4
R-HSA-937072	TRAF6-mediated induction of TAK1 complex within TLR4 complex	4/268	18/10554	9.39E-04	1.74E-02	1.54E-02	IRAK2/LY96/TLR4/TAB2	4
R-HSA-166166	MyD88-independent TLR4 cascade	9/268	100/10554	9.72E-04	1.74E-02	1.54E-02	S100A12/IRAK2/UBE2D1/TANK/LY96/TBK 1/TLR4/TAB2/NOD2	9
R-HSA-937061	TRIF(TICAM1)-mediated TLR4 signaling	9/268	100/10554	9.72E-04	1.74E-02	1.54E-02	S100A12/IRAK2/UBE2D1/TANK/LY96/TBK 1/TLR4/TAB2/NOD2	9
R-HSA-5213460	RIPK1-mediated regulated necrosis	4/268	20/10554	1.43E-03	2.43E-02	2.15E-02	TNFSF10/FAS/CFLAR/MLKL	4
R-HSA-5218859	Regulated Necrosis	4/268	20/10554	1.43E-03	2.43E-02	2.15E-02	TNFSF10/FAS/CFLAR/MLKL	4
R-HSA-9020958	Interleukin-21 signaling	3/268	10/10554	1.70E-03	2.82E-02	2.50E-02	STAT4/JAK3/STAT1	3
R-HSA-3371378	Regulation by c-FLIP	3/268	11/10554	2.30E-03	3.55E-02	3.14E-02	TNFSF10/FAS/CFLAR	3
R-HSA-5218900	CASP8 activity is inhibited	3/268	11/10554	2.30E-03	3.55E-02	3.14E-02	TNFSF10/FAS/CFLAR	3

R-HSA-69416	Dimerization of procaspase- 8	3/268	11/10554	2.30E-03	3.55E-02	3.14E-02	TNFSF10/FAS/CFLAR	3
R-HSA-975138	TRAF6 mediated induction of NFkB and MAP kinases upon TLR7/8 or 9 activation	8/268	93/10554	2.46E-03	3.72E-02	3.29E-02	S100A12/IRAK2/LY96/PELI2/PELI1/TLR4/ TAB2/NOD2	8
R-HSA-168181	Toll Like Receptor 7/8 (TLR7/8) Cascade	8/268	94/10554	2.63E-03	3.81E-02	3.37E-02	S100A12/IRAK2/LY96/PELI2/PELI1/TLR4/ TAB2/NOD2	8
R-HSA-975155	MyD88 dependent cascade initiated on endosome	8/268	94/10554	2.63E-03	3.81E-02	3.37E-02	S100A12/IRAK2/LY96/PELI2/PELI1/TLR4/ TAB2/NOD2	8
R-HSA-8984722	Interleukin-35 Signalling	3/268	12/10554	3.01E-03	4.26E-02	3.77E-02	STAT4/IL6ST/STAT1	3
R-HSA-5621481	C-type lectin receptors (CLRs)	10/268	142/10554	3.31E-03	4.59E-02	4.07E-02	CLEC4E/UBE2D1/CLEC4D/IL1B/PSMB9/T AB2/PAK1/BCL10/ICAM3/PPP3CA	10
R-HSA-168138	Toll Like Receptor 9 (TLR9) Cascade	8/268	98/10554	3.41E-03	4.64E-02	4.11E-02	S100A12/IRAK2/LY96/PELI2/PELI1/TLR4/ TAB2/NOD2	8
R-HSA-1169410	Antiviral mechanism by IFN- stimulated genes	7/268	78/10554	3.58E-03	4.77E-02	4.23E-02	IFIT1/MX2/HERC5/EIF4E3/STAT1/OAS3/ MX1	7
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**Supplementary Table 7.** Clinical characteristics of U-BIOPRED asthmatic predicted responders and predicted non-responders who have sputum proteomic data in addition to the sputum transcriptomic data from which they were defined.

	Predicted responders	Predicted non-responders
n	18	14
Sex		
Male	13	7
Female	5	7
Age mean, years	49.33	56.29
Cohort		
SAns	10	9
SAs/ex	8	5
**Supplementary Table 8.** Clinical characteristics of U-BIOPRED asthmatic predicted responders and predicted non-responders who have blood proteomic data in addition to the sputum transcriptomic data from which they were defined.

	Predicted responders	Predicted non-responders
n	24	18
Sex		
Male	9	9
Female	15	9
Age mean, yrs	53.71	55.28
Cohort		
SAns	17	13
SAs/ex	7	5

**Supplementary Table 9.** Top and bottom 25 differentially expressed blood proteins that differentiate U-BIOPRED asthmatic FZ predicted responders (PRs) from predicted non-responders (PNRs) defined from asthma sputum GSVA FZ response signature ES which had serum proteomic data available (see Supplementary Table 4). Genes are ranked according to log₂ fold change.

## **Upregulated**

	Log2 Fold			FDR-BH adjusted
<u>Gene Symbol</u>	<u>Change</u>	Fold Change	<u>P value</u>	<u>P value</u>
Siglec_9	0.73	1.65	0.05	0.92
ARTS1	0.65	1.57	0.00	0.50
SSRP1	0.61	1.52	0.07	0.92
GSTA3	0.54	1.45	0.02	0.92
TECK	0.52	1.44	0.00	0.72
Glucagon	0.51	1.42	0.03	0.92
SORC2	0.49	1.40	0.14	0.92
b_Endorphin	0.48	1.39	0.05	0.92
GM_CSF	0.47	1.38	0.17	0.92
MICA	0.40	1.32	0.02	0.92
РАКб	0.40	1.32	0.13	0.92
MK08	0.37	1.30	0.03	0.92
vWF	0.37	1.30	0.08	0.92
TSP2	0.37	1.29	0.01	0.92
CRP	0.36	1.29	0.26	0.92
FSH	0.35	1.28	0.45	0.93
TLR2	0.35	1.28	0.28	0.92
C3d	0.34	1.27	0.35	0.92
pTEN	0.34	1.27	0.26	0.92
Aminoacylase_1	0.34	1.26	0.13	0.92
Fas_ligand_soluble	0.33	1.26	0.03	0.92
IL_8	0.33	1.26	0.09	0.92
COMMD7	0.33	1.26	0.12	0.92
I_TAC	0.32	1.25	0.19	0.92
BRF_1	0.32	1.25	0.15	0.92

### **Downregulated**

	Log2 Fold			FDR-BH adjusted
<u>Gene Symbol</u>	<b>Change</b>	Fold Change	<u>P value</u>	<u>P value</u>
CD5L	-0.23	0.85	0.30	0.92
PSA	-0.24	0.85	0.06	0.92
Carbonic_anhydrase	-0.24	0.85	0.19	0.92

PARC	-0.24	0.85	0.16	0.92
Renin	-0.24	0.85	0.24	0.92
MDC	-0.24	0.84	0.13	0.92
BCMA	-0.25	0.84	0.11	0.92
Trypsin	-0.25	0.84	0.08	0.92
BMPER	-0.25	0.84	0.04	0.92
LKHA4	-0.27	0.83	0.11	0.92
MMP_10	-0.27	0.83	0.09	0.92
MIP_3b	-0.28	0.82	0.16	0.92
BSP	-0.29	0.82	0.09	0.92
lgD	-0.31	0.81	0.64	0.96
C3a	-0.32	0.80	0.24	0.92
BLC	-0.35	0.79	0.26	0.92
Chk2	-0.35	0.78	0.33	0.92
PAPP_A	-0.36	0.78	0.10	0.92
Haptoglobin_Mixed_ Type	-0.37	0.77	0.06	0.92
IL_5_Ra	-0.41	0.75	0.01	0.92
NEUREGULIN_1	-0.48	0.72	0.19	0.92
TARC	-0.51	0.70	0.00	0.72
CYTT	-0.53	0.69	0.01	0.92
CYTN	-0.58	0.67	0.00	0.72
lgE	-1.14	0.45	0.06	0.92

**Supplementary Figure 1.** Correlation of the enrichment score (ES) of genes down-regulated by fezikinumab (FZ) (FZ-DOWN) in adult asthmatic sputum against (A) the ES of genes up-regulated in lesional compared to non-lesional atopic dermatitis (AD) skin (AD-UP) and (B) the ES of a consensus AD gene signature (MADAD-UP).



**Supplementary Figure 2.** Protein pathway analysis of the 40 significantly enriched pathways (false discovery rate, FDR<0.05) for differentially expressed genes down-regulated in atopic dermatitis lesional tissue following 12 weeks Fezakinumab treatment. See **Supplementary Table 8** for more details of these pathways.



Neutrophil degranulation

**Supplementary Figure 3.** Protein pathway analysis at a false discovery rate (FDR)<0.02 for differentially expressed genes up-regulated in atopic dermatitis lesional tissue following 12 weeks Fezakinumab treatment. See **Supplementary Table 9** for more details of these pathways. No pathways were enriched at a FDR<0.05.



Interleukin-37 signaling

**Supplementary Figure 4.** Minimal effect on the FZ-DOWN signature enrichment scores (A-C) in the sputum of asthmatic and healthy subjects with the removal of 4 skin-specific genes (D-F) when assessed by transcriptome associated cluster (TAC) status (A and D), sputum granulocyte group (B and E) or by asthma severity (C and F). SAns – severe asthma non-smoker; SAs/ex – severe asthma current or ex-smoker; MMA – mild-moderate asthma and HC – healthy control. P - paucigranulocytic; E – eosinophilic; N – neutrophilic and M – mixed granulocytic.



**Supplementary Figure 5.** Gene set variation analysis (GSVA) show no significant change in enrichment scores for neutrophil signatures in atopic dermatitis skin lesional tissue at baseline and after 12 weeks of Fezikinumab (FZ) treatment. The references from which the neutrophil signatures were obtained are provided beneath the figure.

# GSVA of neutrophil gene signatures in atopic dermatitis lesional tissue before and after 12 weeks Fezakinumab (FZ) treatment



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**Supplementary Figure 6.** Schematic of selection of patients with a high versus low enrichment score (ES) for the gene signature of genes down-regulated by Fezakinumab (FZ) in atopic dermatitis patients. Predicted responders (PRs) were considered as patients most highly enriched (n=26, ES  $\geq$  +0.1) whilst predicted non-responders were defined as those lowly enriched (n=18, ES  $\leq$  -0.1). Clinical and omics variables that defined these patients were then obtained from the U-BIOPRED dataset.



**Supplementary Figure 7.** IL-22 gene expression in blood (A) and sputum (B, C) is not significantly up-regulated according to asthma severity (B) or transcriptome associated cluster (TAC) status (C). IL-22 gene expression in blood (D), sputum (E), bronchial (F) and nasal (G) brushings does not correlate with the Fezakinumab (FZ)-DOWN signature sputum ES. SAns – severe asthma non-smoker; SAs/ex – severe asthma current or ex-smoker; MMA – mild-moderate asthma and HC – healthy control.



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