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Therapeutic deep eutectic solvent-based microemulsion enhances anti-inflammatory efficacy of curcuminoids and aromatic-turmerone extracted from *Curcuma longa* L.

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Table S1. HDES microemulsions after dilution in water (1/1000) ($n = 3$, mean \pm SEM)

Microemulsion	Components (wt%)			Blank microemulsion		Microemulsion extracts	
	HDES	Smix	Water	Size (nm)	PDI	Size (nm)	PDI
HDES of octanoic acid:menthol (70:30, mass ratio)							
ME-71	5	90	5	6.20 \pm 1.16	0.46 \pm 0.11	8.62 \pm 1.80	0.50 \pm 0.04
ME-72	15	80	5	2.85 \pm 0.16	0.40 \pm 0.06	4.18 \pm 0.14	0.38 \pm 0.04
ME-73	25	70	5	7.43 \pm 0.69	0.69 \pm 0.03	1.38 \pm 0.07	0.72 \pm 0.02
ME-74	35	60	5	22.7 \pm 3.7	0.38 \pm 0.08	8.31 \pm 0.89	0.49 \pm 0.02
HDES of octanoic acid:menthol (40:60, mass ratio)							
ME-41	5	90	5	6.63 \pm 1.74	0.46 \pm 0.07	3.42 \pm 0.57	0.32 \pm 0.03
ME-42	15	80	5	1.21 \pm 0.75	0.35 \pm 0.13	3.40 \pm 0.06	0.30 \pm 0.00
ME-43	25	70	5	8.43 \pm 0.23	0.54 \pm 0.02	13.6 \pm 0.1	0.63 \pm 0.01
ME-44	35	60	5	5.82 \pm 0.21	0.41 \pm 0.02	9.94 \pm 1.13	0.61 \pm 0.05
HDES of octanoic acid:menthol (20:80, mass ratio)							
ME-21	5	90	5	7.08 \pm 1.83	0.54 \pm 0.06	5.50 \pm 0.55	0.64 \pm 0.09
ME-22	15	80	5	10.4 \pm 0.2	0.66 \pm 0.01	1.96 \pm 0.33	0.21 \pm 0.03
ME-23	25	70	5	10.2 \pm 0.4	0.65 \pm 0.03	18.6 \pm 0.1	0.63 \pm 0.01
ME-24	35	60	5	12.1 \pm 0.2	0.80 \pm 0.04	3.02 \pm 0.04	0.46 \pm 0.01
ME-25	45	50	5	12.7 \pm 1.0	0.71 \pm 0.02	51.3 \pm 6.5	0.90 \pm 0.10

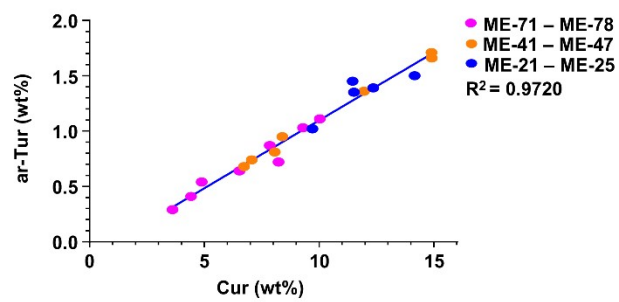


Figure S1. Correlation of extraction yields of Cur and *ar*-Tur

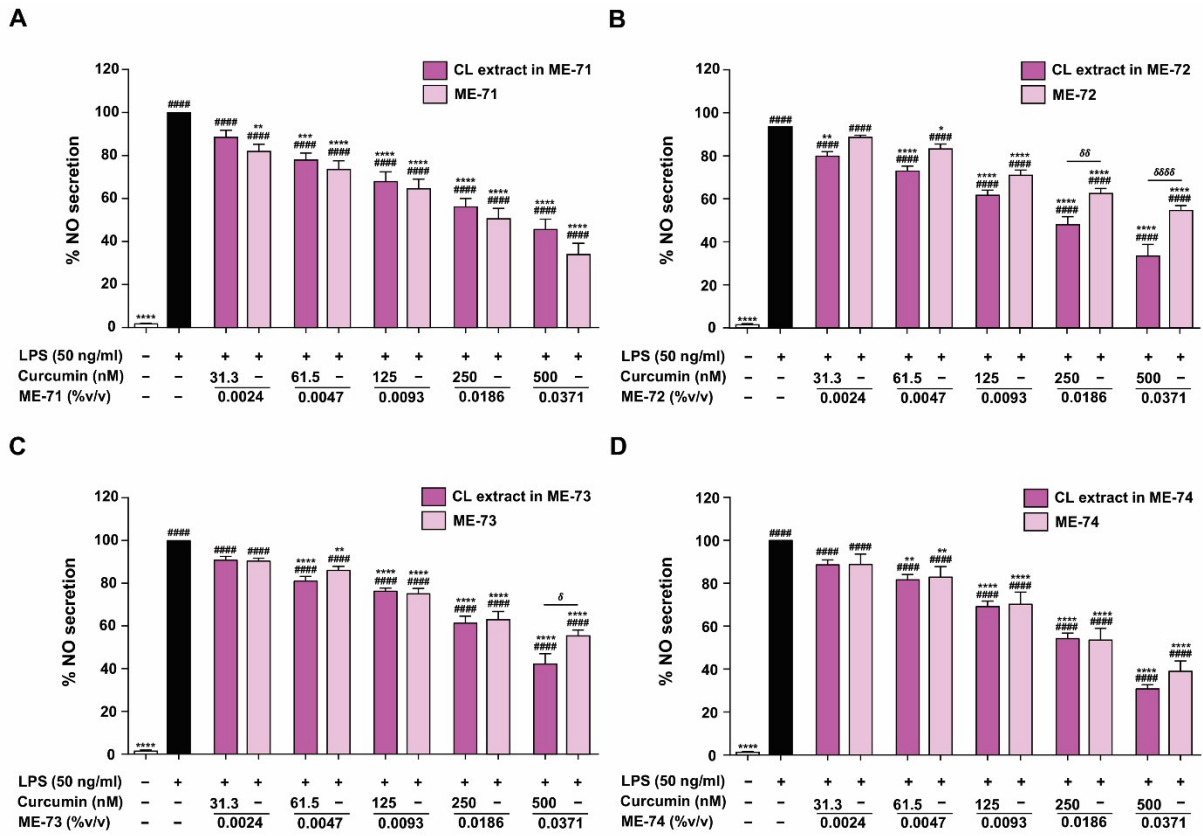


Figure S2. NO inhibition in LPS-activated murine macrophages by CL extract in ME-71 (A), CL extract in ME-72 (B), CL extract in ME-73 (C), and CL extract in ME-74 (D). Data are presented as mean \pm SEM of three independent experiments in triplicate. #### $p < 0.0001$ vs. untreated control; * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.0001$ vs. LPS-stimulated cells; $\delta p < 0.05$, $\delta\delta p < 0.01$, and $\delta\delta\delta p < 0.0001$ vs. ME-71, ME-72, ME-73, or ME-74.

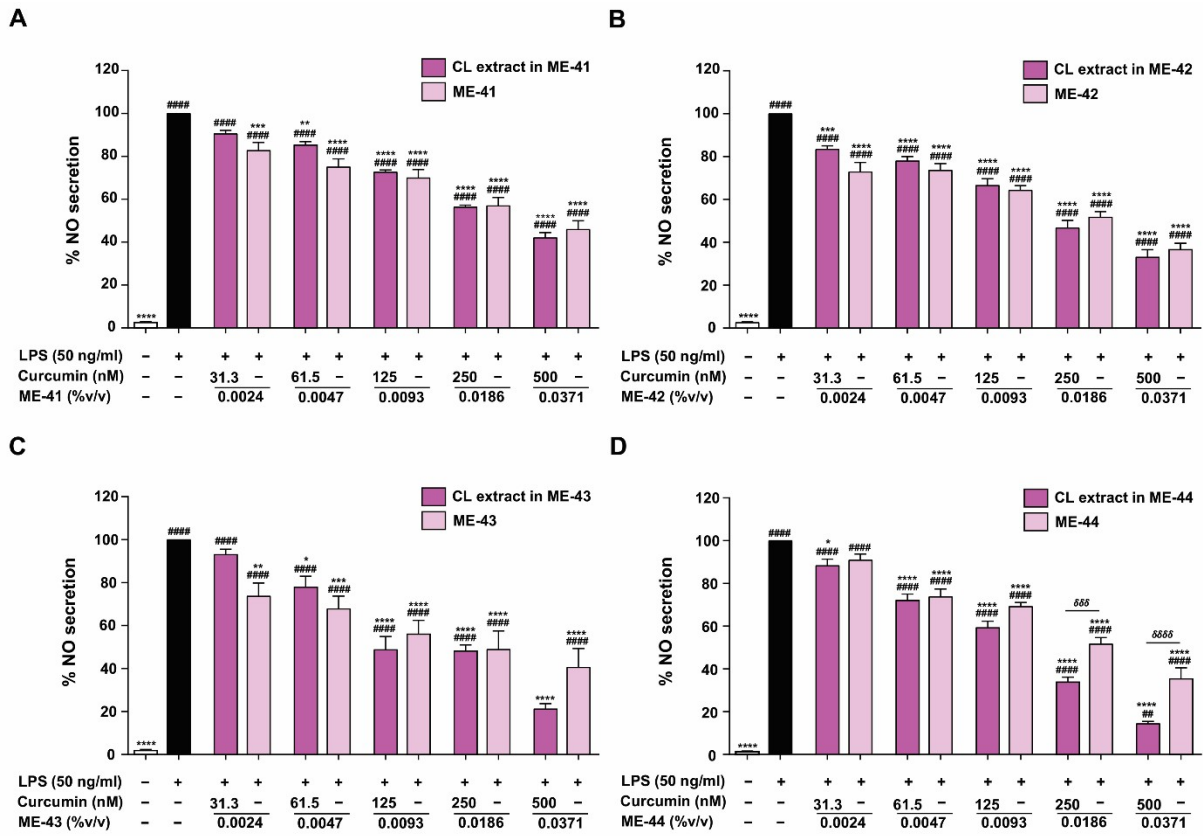


Figure S3. NO inhibition in LPS-activated murine macrophages by CL extract in ME-41 (A), CL extract in ME-42 (B), CL extract in ME-43(C), and CL extract in ME-44 (D). Data are presented as mean \pm SEM of three independent experiments in triplicate. ## $p < 0.01$, ##### $p < 0.0001$ vs. untreated control; * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$ vs. LPS-stimulated cells; $\delta\delta\delta p < 0.001$, $\delta\delta\delta\delta p < 0.0001$ vs. ME-41, ME-42, ME-43, or ME-44.

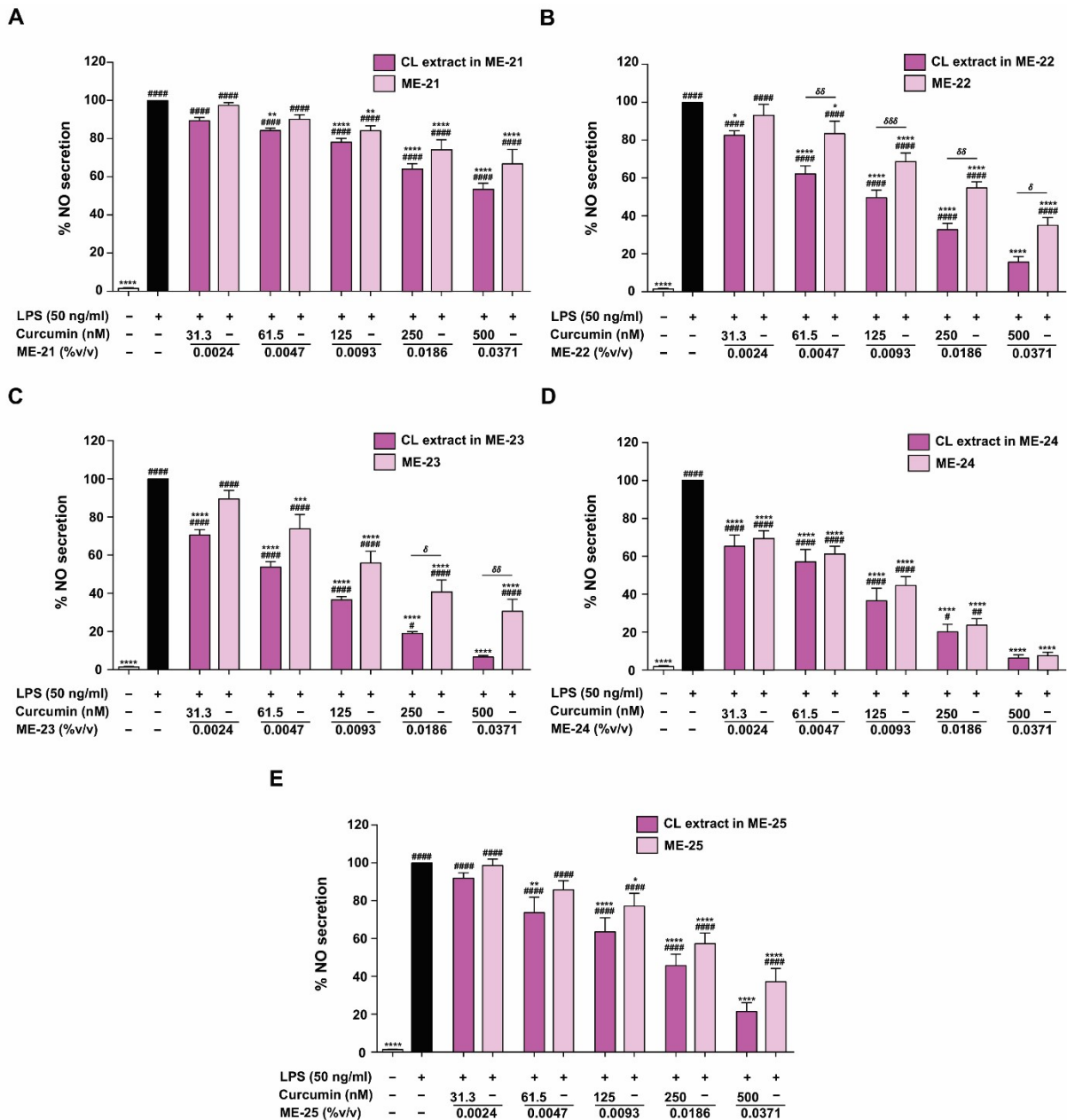


Figure S4. NO inhibition in LPS-activated murine macrophages by CL extract in ME-21 (A), CL extract in ME-22 (B), CL extract in ME-23 (C), CL extract in ME-24 (D), and CL extract in ME-25 (E). Data are presented as mean \pm SEM of three independent experiments in triplicate. # p < 0.05, ## p < 0.01, #### p < 0.0001 vs. untreated control; * p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01, *** p < 0.001, **** p < 0.0001 vs. LPS-stimulated cells; δp < 0.05, $\delta\delta p$ < 0.01, and $\delta\delta\delta p$ < 0.001 vs. ME-21, ME-22, ME-23, ME-24, or ME-25.

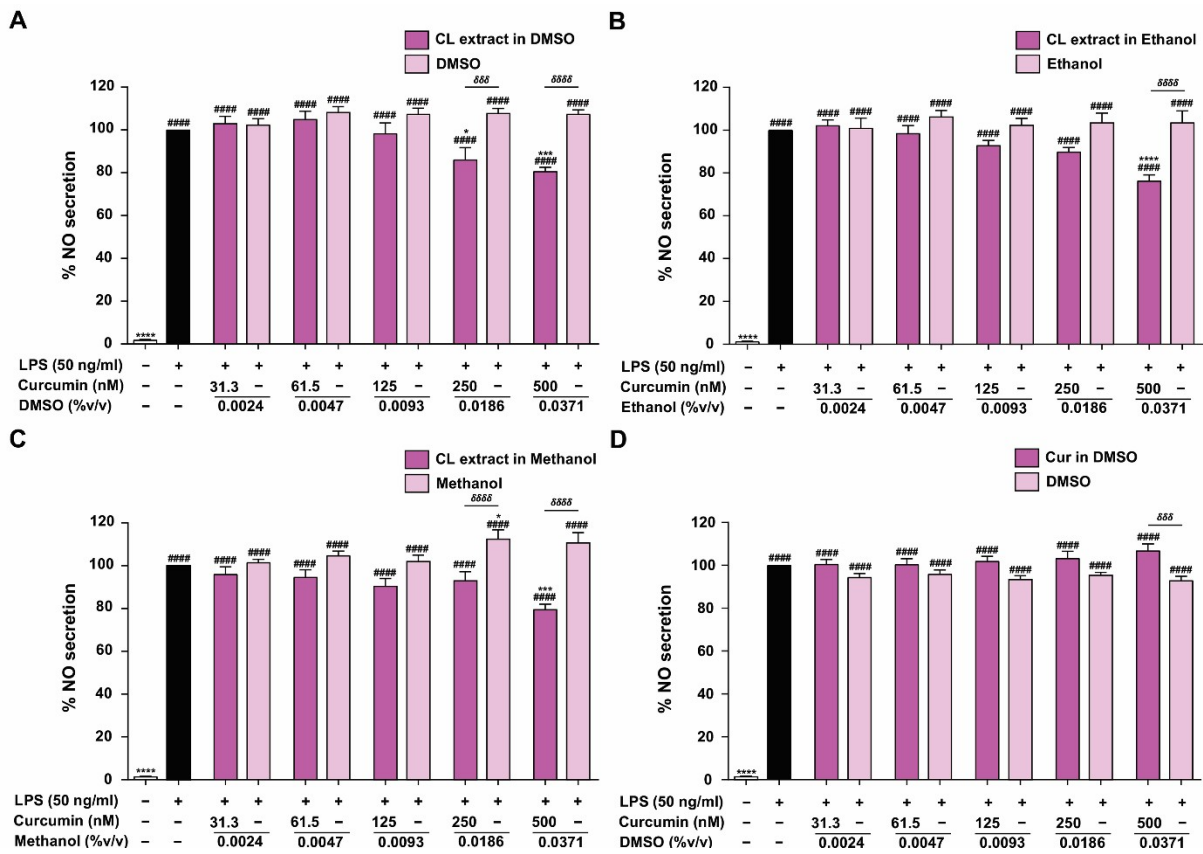


Figure S5. NO inhibition in LPS-activated murine macrophages by CL extract in DMSO (A), CL extract in ethanol (B), CL extract in methanol (C), and Cur in DMSO (D). Data are presented as mean \pm SEM of three independent experiments in triplicate. ##### $p < 0.0001$ vs. untreated control; * $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$ vs. LPS-stimulated cells; $\delta\delta\delta p < 0.001$, $\delta\delta\delta\delta p < 0.0001$ vs. DMSO, ethanol, or methanol

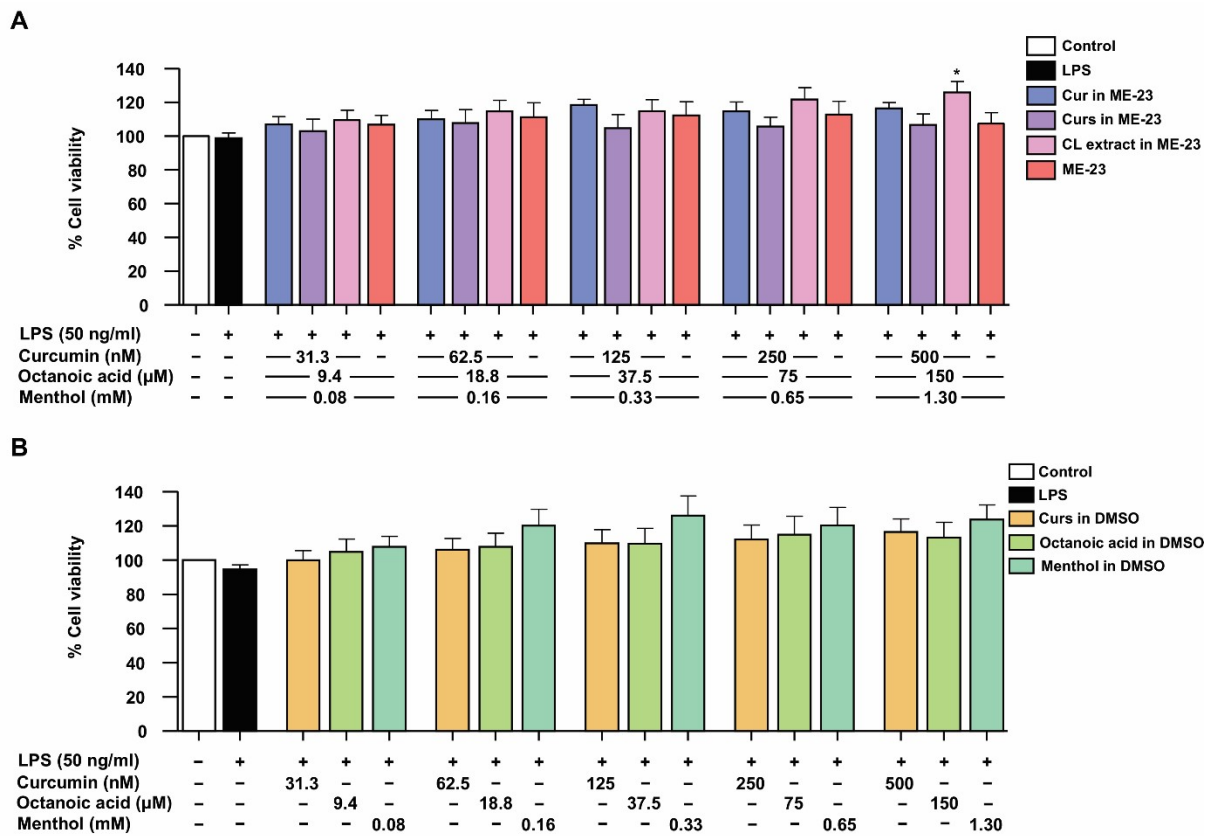


Figure S6. Cell viability in LPS-activated murine macrophage by Cur in ME-23, Curs in ME-23, CL extract in ME-23, and ME-23 (A), as well as Curs, octanoic acid, and menthol in DMSO (B). Data are presented as mean \pm SEM of three independent experiments in triplicate. * $p < 0.05$ vs. LPS-stimulated cells.

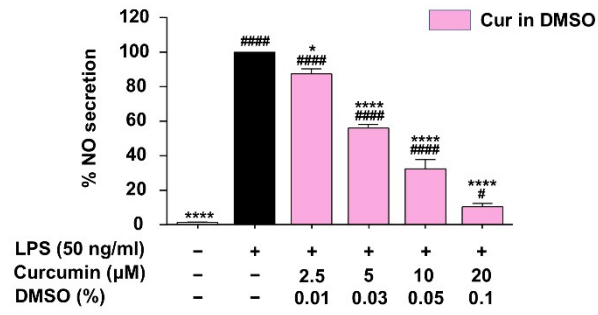


Figure S7. NO inhibition in LPS-activated murine macrophages by Cur in DMSO. Data are presented as mean \pm SEM of three independent experiments in triplicate. # $p < 0.05$, ##### $p < 0.0001$ vs. untreated control; * $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.0001$ vs. LPS-stimulated cells.

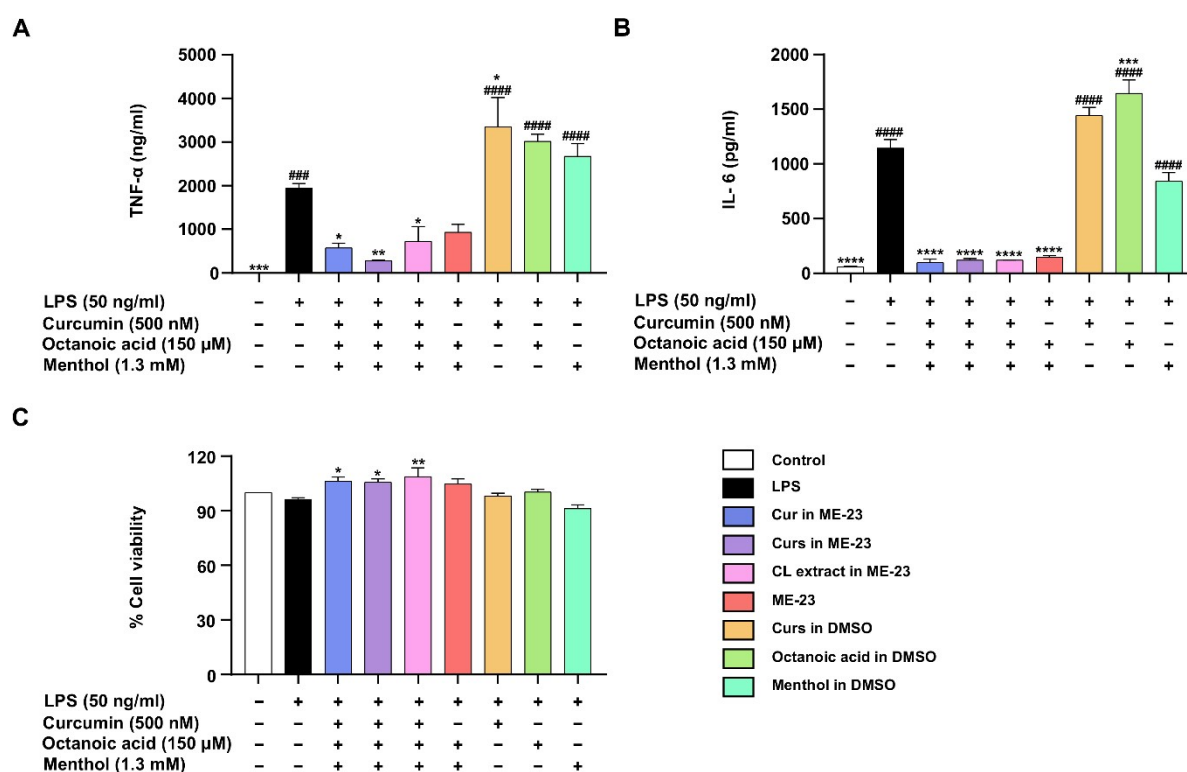


Figure S8. Inflammatory cytokine production and cell viability in LPS-activated differentiated THP-1 macrophages. Anti-inflammatory effects of Cur in ME-23, Curs in ME-23, CL extract in ME-23, and ME-23, as well as Curs, octanoic acid, and menthol in DMSO against inflammatory cytokines TNF- α (A) and IL-6 (B) production in LPS-activated differentiated THP-1 macrophages. (C) Cell viability determined by the MTT assay. Data are presented as mean \pm SEM of three independent experiments. #### p < 0.001, ##### p < 0.0001 vs. untreated control; * p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01 *** p < 0.001, **** p < 0.0001 vs. LPS-stimulated cells.