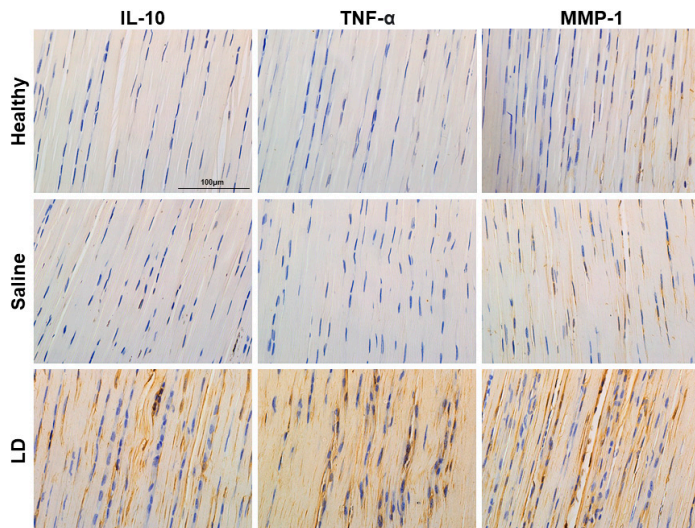


Supplementary material Figure S1. Photomicrographs showing histology and corresponding polarized images of healthy tendons, tendons in the saline group and LD group at week 1 after injection. Scale bar: 200 μm ; stain: haematoxylin and eosin; n=4/group



Supplementary material Figure S2. Photomicrographs showing immunohistochemical staining of IL-10; TNF- α ; and MMP-1 in healthy tendons, tendons in the saline group and LD group at week 1 after injection. Scale bar: 100 μm ; n=4/group