

1 **Infection increases activity via *Toll* dependent and independent mechanisms in**

2 ***Drosophila melanogaster***

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## 22 **Abstract**

23 Host behavioural changes are among the most apparent effects of infection. ‘Sickness  
24 behaviour’ can involve a variety of symptoms, including anorexia, depression, and changed  
25 activity levels. Here we use a real-time tracking and behavioural profiling platform to show  
26 that, in *Drosophila melanogaster*, many systemic bacterial infections cause significant  
27 increases in physical activity, and that the extent of this activity increase is a predictor of  
28 survival time in several lethal infections. Using various bacteria and *D. melanogaster* immune  
29 and activity mutants, we show that increased activity is driven by at least two different  
30 mechanisms. Increased activity after infection with *Micrococcus luteus*, a Gram-positive

31 bacterium rapidly cleared by the immune response, strictly requires the *Toll* ligand *spätzle* and  
32 Toll-pathway activity in the fat body and the brain. In contrast, increased activity after infection  
33 with *Francisella novicida*, a Gram-negative bacterium that cannot be cleared by the immune  
34 response, is entirely independent of either *spätzle* or the parallel IMD pathway. The existence  
35 of multiple signalling mechanisms by which bacterial infections drive increases in physical  
36 activity implies that this effect may be an important aspect of the host response.

37 **Introduction**

38 Some of the most apparent effects of infection are the sickness behaviours of the host. A variety  
39 of infection-induced behavioural changes have been documented; in vertebrates, these  
40 commonly include anorexia, lethargy, and social withdrawal (Dantzer, 2001; Shattuck and  
41 Muehlenbein, 2015; Stockmaier et al., 2021). In insects, a partially-overlapping set of changes  
42 have been described, including anorexia and foraging changes, behavioural fevers, and changes  
43 in oviposition (Anderson et al., 2013; Masuzzo et al., 2019; Stahlschmidt and Adamo, 2013;  
44 Surendran et al., 2017; Vale and Jardine, 2017). These changes in behaviour can in some cases  
45 facilitate immune function, either in terms of pathogen clearance or host survival; in other  
46 cases, the pathogen appears to benefit; and in some cases, there is no obvious beneficiary, and  
47 the observed behavioural change may be a non-selected consequence of the interaction of two  
48 or more complex physiological systems. In all of these cases, however, infection behaviours  
49 have a strong effect on the well-being of the host, whether or not this effect is ultimately  
50 manifested as a difference in infection outcome.

51 Whilst sickness behaviours are often described as being part of the host response to  
52 infection, several studies have shown that behavioural changes during infection can also be the  
53 result of pathogen manipulation of host biology, rather than the host responding to a pathogen  
54 threat, *per se* (Adamo and Webster, 2013; Berdoy et al., 2000; Heil, 2016; Klein, 2003; Lafferty  
55 and Shaw, 2013). The difference between a host response and parasite manipulation is not  
56 simply a matter of semantics as the two can predict opposing evolutionary trajectories and  
57 infection outcomes (Hart, 1988; Johnson, 2002; Klein, 2003). If hosts change their behaviour  
58 in response to the physiological stresses associated with infection, we assume that said  
59 behaviour will be of benefit to the host, usually by reducing pathology (Ayres and Schneider,  
60 2009; Kuo and Williams, 2014; Vincent and Bertram, 2010; Wang et al., 2016). In contrast,  
61 when pathogens manipulate host behaviour, we assume it serves the function of increasing

62 pathogen fitness, often via enhanced transmission (Andersen et al., 2009; Berdoy et al., 2000;  
63 Biron et al., 2006; Shaw et al., 2009; Thomas et al., 2005, 2002; Webster et al., 1994).

64 Changes in sleep and activity are some of the most common behavioural manifestations  
65 of infection, seen in vertebrates and invertebrates (Besedovsky et al., 2019; Kuo et al., 2010;  
66 Shirasu-Hiza et al., 2007). The extensive crosstalk between sleep and immunity has led to many  
67 suppositions regarding the value of sleep in maintaining a robust immune response and health  
68 in the face of infection (Besedovsky et al., 2019; Imeri and Opp, 2009; Kuo et al., 2010; Majde  
69 and Krueger, 2005; Opp, 2009). However, despite investigations of the interplay between sleep  
70 and infection in insects, there remain inconsistencies in whether sleep (or activity) is induced  
71 or inhibited during infection, and what effect these changes have on infection pathology  
72 (Arnold et al., 2013; Kuo et al., 2010; Kuo and Williams, 2014; Mallon et al., 2014; Shirasu-  
73 Hiza et al., 2007; Siva-Jothy and Vale, 2019). Whilst some of this incongruity may result from  
74 the fact that in these studies flies were injected at different times of the day (Lee and Edery,  
75 2008), they could also be caused by differences between pathogens used and therefore disparate  
76 activation of immune factors (Hoffmann, 2003; Lemaitre et al., 1997, 1995; Tanji and Ip, 2005;  
77 Wang and Ligoxygakis, 2006). The consequences of infection-induced changes in sleep and  
78 activity are thus multifaceted and the effects of infection will depend on interaction between  
79 host immune and nervous systems and the pathogen itself on multiple levels.

80 Using the real-time tracking and behavioural profiling platform, the ethoscope  
81 (Geissmann et al., 2017), we test an array of various bacteria and *D. melanogaster* immune and  
82 activity mutants, to determine whether pathogen recognition and immune pathway activation  
83 contribute to the increase in activity observed during infection.

84 **Results**

85 **Bacterial infection leads to a marked increase in locomotor activity.**

86 We began by exploring the effects of *Francisella novicida* on physical activity in *Drosophila*  
87 *melanogaster*; a Gram-negative bacterium that propagates both intra- and extra-cellularly in *D.*  
88 *melanogaster*, ultimately resulting in host death after four days (Moule et al., 2010; Vincent et  
89 al., 2020; Vonkavaara et al., 2008). This infection is particularly tractable for behavioural  
90 studies because it presents an infection course in excess of three days (two days in some  
91 immune mutants), allowing ample time for activity monitoring; near-synchronous mortality;  
92 and strong immune activation, allowing identification of effects of immune activation on  
93 activity (Moule et al., 2010; Vincent et al., 2020). We found that flies infected with *F. novicida*  
94 spent 10% and 9% more time moving than mock injected and uninfected controls, respectively  
95 (Figure 1A). This increase in activity intensified over the course of infection. Further  
96 partitioning of activity data found that while there were subtle increases in micro-movements  
97 such as grooming and feeding (Geissmann et al., 2019, 2017) (Figure 1B), the observed  
98 increase in movement was primarily the result of increased time spent walking; these flies also  
99 spent 12% and 11% less time sleeping (Figure 1C, D; Figure 1 – figure supplement 1A-C).  
100 Importantly, despite spending proportionately more time active, infected flies did not cover a  
101 greater total distance, indicating that the intensity of their activity was unaltered by infection  
102 (Figure 1 – figure supplement 1D, E). Activity on the first day of infection was predictive of  
103 lifespan, with more active flies exhibiting increased lifespan (Figure 1E). In addition, there was  
104 a positive correlation between total activity and survival (Figure 1 – figure supplement 1F); we  
105 used day one activity as a predictor because previous work has found immune activity to be  
106 strongest at this time (De Gregorio et al., 2002a; Lemaitre et al., 1997; Schlamp et al., 2021)  
107 and thus would be an appropriate metric in looking at infections of shorter duration.  
108 Furthermore, day 1 activity levels were positively correlated with total activity levels (Figure

109 1 – figure supplement 1G), giving us confidence that activity on day 1 is representative of total  
110 activity levels in assessing infections of longer duration.

111 To test whether greater activity following infection was specific to this infection or a  
112 general consequence of immune activation, we infected wild-type flies with a phylogenetically  
113 and pathogenically diverse panel of bacteria. We found that three of the five bacteria examined,  
114 *Micrococcus luteus*, *Listeria monocytogenes*, and *Staphylococcus aureus*, induced increased  
115 activity (Figure 2A-C; Figure 2 – figure supplement 1). Thus, including *F. novicida*, the four  
116 bacteria able to drive hyperactivity include Gram-positives and Gram-negatives, as well as  
117 microbes killed efficiently by the immune response and those able to survive within and outside  
118 of host cells (Hanson et al., 2019; Moule et al., 2010; Nehme et al., 2011; Vincent et al., 2020).

119 As we found in *F. novicida*, activity on the first day of infection was predictive of lifespan,  
120 with more active flies exhibiting increased lifespan during *L. monocytogenes* infection, but  
121 decreased lifespan during infection with *S. aureus* (Figure 2D, E). Next, we screened a  
122 selection of immune, locomotor and circadian mutants of *D. melanogaster* for activity levels  
123 during *F. novicida* infection and observed increased locomotor activity in all mutants tested  
124 (Figure 2 – figure supplement 2; Figure 2 – figure supplement table 1). Thus, we concluded  
125 that the effect of infection on locomotor behaviour is a widespread phenomenon and may  
126 represent a complex trait emerging as the result of the induction of multiple molecular  
127 pathways.

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### 129 **Increased activity is not a moribund behaviour and is affected by immune activation.**

130 We became particularly interested in the change in locomotor activity observed during  
131 infection with *M. luteus* because, unlike the other bacteria examined, increased activity  
132 following injection with *M. luteus* was transient (Figure 2A). That flies spend more time active  
133 during *M. luteus* infection is particularly important because it demonstrates that infection-

134 induced activity is not a moribund behaviour: *M. luteus* infection is cleared by the immune  
135 response and flies are not killed by this infection over the following four days (Figure 2 – figure  
136 supplement 3); this contrasts with *F. novicida*, *L. monocytogenes* and *S. aureus*, which kill  
137 more than half of all infected flies within four days (Figure 2 – figure supplement 3).

138 In *M. luteus* and *F. novicida*-infected flies, infection-dependent increases in activity  
139 were roughly correlated with bacterial load. In flies infected with *M. luteus*, activity increased  
140 during the early stages of infection when bacterial numbers were high and declined once  
141 bacteria had been cleared. In *F. novicida*-infected flies, activity increased in parallel with the  
142 bacterial load (Figure 2 – figure supplement 3). This parallel between these infections prompted  
143 us to test whether bacterial detection by immune pathways and the subsequent signalling drove  
144 increased activity. Previous work found that the NF $\kappa$ B transcription factor RELISH which  
145 plays a vital role in *D. melanogaster*'s immune response, is required for infection-induced sleep  
146 (Kuo et al., 2010). We infected flies lacking the Toll and immune deficiency (IMD) pathways,  
147 the primary microbe-detection pathways in *D. melanogaster* (De Gregorio et al., 2002b; Lau  
148 et al., 2003; Lemaitre et al., 1995; Tanji and Ip, 2005). We found that ablation of IMD (*imd*<sup>10191</sup>)  
149 and Toll signalling (*spz*<sup>eGFP</sup>) had disparate effects during infection. Activity during *M. luteus*  
150 infection was unaffected in *imd* mutants, but no increase in activity was observed following *M.*  
151 *luteus* infection in *spz* mutants (Figure 3A, B), in keeping with the fact that *M. luteus* is  
152 primarily an agonist of the Toll pathway (Irving et al., 2001; Lemaitre et al., 1997; Rutschmann  
153 et al., 2002). To confirm this finding, we repeated this experiment using flies carrying a  
154 different *spz* allele (Kenmoku et al., 2017) and found the same result (Figure 3C).

155 The absence of increased activity in *M. luteus*-infected Toll mutants indicates that Toll  
156 signalling is required for hyperactivity during *M. luteus* infection. However, mutation of either  
157 *imd* or *spz*, as well as the combination of the two (*imd*<sup>10191</sup>; *spz*<sup>eGFP</sup>), did not affect the increase  
158 in activity caused by *F. novicida* (Figure 3 – figure supplement 1), supporting our previous

159 results with *Tak1* mutants (Figure 2 – figure supplement 2; Figure 2 – figure supplement table  
160 1). These findings demonstrate that in *F. novicida* infections, the activity phenotype is  
161 independent of *Toll* and *imd* pathways. The dependence on Toll for increased activity in *M.*  
162 *luteus* but not *F. novicida* infections indicates that infection induces activity via different  
163 signalling pathways during these infections.

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165 **Infection causes temporally-specific metabolic dysregulation, but infection-induced**  
166 **activity is not a response to starvation**

167 Infection with *M. luteus* inhibits insulin signalling, as evidenced through a reduction in  
168 phosphorylated AKT, and this metabolic shift is concomitant to a reduction in triglyceride  
169 levels (DiAngelo et al., 2009). Similarly, infection with *F. novicida* leads to triglyceride loss  
170 as well as hyperglycaemia and reduced levels of glycogen (Vincent et al., 2020). The interplay  
171 between immune and metabolic signalling pathways is thought to be indicative of the metabolic  
172 burden associated with infection and the need to redistribute available resources (Clark et al.,  
173 2013; DiAngelo et al., 2009; Dionne et al., 2006). We therefore surmised that the metabolic  
174 shifts observed during *M. luteus* and *F. novicida* infection could play a role in infection-induced  
175 activity, despite the difference in the requirement of Toll signalling, and sought to determine  
176 whether *F. novicida* and *M. luteus* infections led to similar metabolic phenotypes in flies.

177 We tested whether infection with *F. novicida* inhibits insulin signalling as has been  
178 previously reported for *M. luteus* infection (DiAngelo et al., 2009). We found that infection  
179 with *F. novicida* inhibits insulin signalling as determined through the observance of lower  
180 levels of phosphorylated-AKT during late infection (72-80h post-injection; Figure 4A); these  
181 flies were also hyperglycaemic and exhibited depleted triglyceride and glycogen stores (Figure  
182 4B). Similarly, late in infection with *M. luteus*, flies had lower triglyceride and glycogen levels  
183 but no change in circulating sugars. During early infection (24-30h post-injection), we

184 observed hypoglycaemia with *F. novicida*, but not *M. luteus*, decreased triglycerides with *M.*  
185 *luteus*, but not *F. novicida*, and low levels of glycogen in both infections (Figure 4B). These  
186 results confirm previous work showing that bacterial infection can lead to metabolic pathology  
187 including hyperglycaemia and loss of triglyceride and glycogen stores and that these effects  
188 are often limited to specific times over the course of an infection (Chambers et al., 2012;  
189 Dionne et al., 2006; Vincent et al., 2020).

190 Because infected flies exhibit starvation-like effects on metabolite stores and insulin-  
191 pathway activity, we tested whether hyperactivity during infection was linked to infection-  
192 induced starvation signalling. Infection-induced anorexia has been observed in both mammals  
193 and insects (Adamo, 2005; Ayres and Schneider, 2009; Langhans, 2000; Wang et al., 2016)  
194 and hyperactivity is a known consequence of starvation in *D. melanogaster* (Keene et al., 2010;  
195 Lee and Park, 2004; Yang et al., 2015; Yu et al., 2016). We tested whether two infections we  
196 found were capable of increasing activity (*F. novicida* and *M. luteus*) also caused reduced food  
197 consumption. Surprisingly, we found that *F. novicida*-infected flies consumed 19.4% more  
198 food during infection compared to their mock controls and that food consumption was  
199 unaffected by infection with *M. luteus* (Figure 4C). Thus, infection-induced activity does not  
200 appear to be a by-product of anorexia.

201 Next, we tested the possibility that infection-induced increases in activity could be a  
202 product of endocrine signalling disruptions that mimicked the effects of starvation. In *D.*  
203 *melanogaster*, starvation increases activity via *adipokinetic hormone* (AKH) signalling in  
204 neurons (Lee and Park, 2004; Yu et al., 2016). We infected flies with a pan-neural reduction  
205 of the adiponokinetic hormone receptor (*nSyb>AkhR-IR*), a strategy previously shown to  
206 obliterate starvation-induced hyperactivity (Yu et al., 2016). Neuronal knockdown of *AkhR* did  
207 not affect activity during *F. novicida* infection, confirming that the infection-induced increase  
208 in activity here observed is distinct from a starvation response (Figure 4D). This finding is

209 important because one of the proposed advantages of hyperactivity during starvation is greater  
210 resource acquisition from increased foraging. Thus, despite the failure of these infections to  
211 induce a starvation-like response via AKH, the results of these experiments are consistent with  
212 the idea that increased activity during *F. novicida* infection could lead to greater resource  
213 acquisition through increased feeding.

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215 **Fat body derived *spz* contributes to *M. luteus* infection-induced activity.**

216 Bacterial peptidoglycan activates the Toll and IMD pathways, leading to the synthesis and  
217 secretion of antimicrobial peptides (AMPs) by the fat body in *D. melanogaster* (De Gregorio  
218 et al., 2002b; Lau et al., 2003; Lemaitre et al., 1995; Wang and Ligoxygakis, 2006). This  
219 production of AMPs contributes to the control of most bacterial infections. Since the Toll  
220 pathway is activated by Gram-positive bacteria (Hoffmann and Reichhart, 2002; Tanji and Ip,  
221 2005), and we found that mutants of this pathway do not show an increase in activity during  
222 infection with the Gram-positive bacterium *M. luteus* (Figure 3B, C), we predicted that Toll  
223 signalling in the fat body played a role in infection-induced activity. To test this, we infected  
224 flies carrying fat body knockdowns of *spz* (*c564>spz-IR*), the circulating ligand that directly  
225 activates Toll; *MyD88* (*c564>MyD88-IR*), a key adaptor in the Toll pathway; and *Dif*  
226 (*c564>Dif-IR*), the primary *Toll*-activated NF- $\kappa$ B transcription factor in adult *Drosophila* (De  
227 Gregorio et al., 2002b; Valanne et al., 2011; Wang and Ligoxygakis, 2006). *spz* is synthesized  
228 and secreted as an inactive pro-protein where extracellular recognition factors initiate protease  
229 cascades that ultimately result in its proteolysis to produce active *spz*. This ligand binds and  
230 activates cell-surface Toll receptors (Alpar et al., 2018; An et al., 2010; Arnot et al., 2010;  
231 Valanne et al., 2011). As observed in the whole-body Toll signalling mutants, restricted  
232 knockdown of the Toll ligand *spz* to the fat body completely abolished the increase in activity  
233 observed during *M. luteus* infection (Figure 5A). Flies with *MyD88* or *Dif* knocked down in

234 the fat body also exhibited reduced hyperactivity in response to *M. luteus* infection (Figure 5B,  
235 C). Importantly, the genetic control (*c564>+*) shows the expected increase of activity after  
236 bacterial infections (Figure 5 – figure supplement 1). These findings demonstrate that fat body-  
237 derived *spz* and fat body Toll pathway activity play a crucial role in the modulation of  
238 locomotor activity during infection.

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#### 240 **Neuronal KD of Toll signalling abrogates increased activity during *M. luteus* infection**

241 Given that neither *spz* mutants nor *spz* fat body KD flies exhibit infection-induced activity, we  
242 thought that fat body-derived *spz* could be acting on another tissue to induce behavioural  
243 activity and decided to test whether neuronal knockdown of Toll signalling would also affect  
244 the activity phenotype. We infected flies with a pan-neural reduction of either *MyD88* (*nSyb>MyD88*-IR)  
245 or *Dif* (*nSyb>Dif*-IR). We found that knockdown of either *MyD88* or *Dif* reduced  
246 the increase in activity seen in *M. luteus* infected flies (Figure 5D, E), while the genetic control  
247 (*nSyb>+*) present the expected increase (Figure 5 – figure supplement 1). This effect was not  
248 complete—some increase in activity was still seen; this could reflect other mechanisms acting  
249 in parallel or it could be due to residual *MyD88/Dif* function in neurons. In either case, this  
250 finding lends support to our hypothesis that fat body-derived *spz* acts on other tissues – in this  
251 instance, neurons – to increase activity during *M. luteus* infection.

252

#### 253 **Discussion**

254 Here we show that bacterial infection in many cases leads to a marked increase in physical  
255 activity in *D. melanogaster*. This enhanced level of activity is mostly explained by an increase  
256 in walking (Figure 1). Though several bacteria induce activity upon infection in multiple fly  
257 lines with mutations in their immune response, we see pathogen/immune pathway specificity,  
258 as mutations in Toll signalling ablate activity-induction by some, but not all, bacteria. Finally,

259 we demonstrate that neuronal Toll signalling plays a role in infection-induced changes in  
260 activity and propose that fat body-derived *spz* is required for this activation.

261 Immune activation has been shown to affect a range of behaviours and physiological  
262 functions including sleep, reproduction, cognition and metabolism (An and Waldman, 2016;  
263 Chambers et al., 2012; Dionne et al., 2006; Kobler et al., 2020; Kuo et al., 2010; Mallon et al.,  
264 2014; Shirasu-Hiza et al., 2007; Vincent and Sharp, 2014). Infection-induced changes in the  
265 host are often thought to be of benefit to either the host or the pathogen. Pathogen-mediated  
266 changes in host behaviour can lead to decreased survival, transmission and terminal host  
267 localisation (Adamo and Webster, 2013; Heil, 2016; Herbison et al., 2018; Lafferty and Shaw,  
268 2013), whilst host-mediated changes during infection have been found to result in improved  
269 resistance and colony/conspecific protection (Boltaña et al., 2013; Sauer et al., 2019;  
270 Stroeymeyt et al., 2018; Ugelvig and Cremer, 2007). Interestingly, activity level within the first  
271 day of infection had a strong correlation with survival, though the direction of this relationship  
272 differed across bacterial strains (Figure 1E, Figure 2D, E). Whilst the reasons for the  
273 dissimilarity in the effect of activity on survival across these infections are unknown, what is  
274 consistent is the observation that early activity levels correlate with infection outcomes.

275 One well-documented change in host behaviour resulting from infection is anorexia  
276 (Adamo, 2005; Ayres and Schneider, 2009; Wang et al., 2016). Animals often decrease feeding  
277 in response to infection and this behaviour can be either harmful or beneficial to the host. In  
278 addition to infection-induced anorexia, *D. melanogaster* exhibits striking wasting phenotypes  
279 in a number of infections, characterized by decreased levels of glycogen and triglycerides  
280 (Chambers et al., 2012; Dionne et al., 2006; Vincent et al., 2020). Given the strong associations  
281 between infection and resource acquisition and utilization, one could imagine a scenario in  
282 which rather than infection directly leading to increased activity, instead, the metabolic  
283 dysregulation caused by infection signalled for increased activity as a means to acquire more

284 food resource (Yang et al., 2015; Yu et al., 2016). Whilst both *M. luteus* and *F. novicida*  
285 infections led to strong wasting phenotypes, we found no evidence that starvation signalling  
286 contributed to increased activity, though increased activity was associated with greater food  
287 intake during *F. novicida* infection (Figure 4C).

288 While previous work found that bacteria-infected flies have poor quality sleep, as  
289 assessed through number of sleep bouts and bout duration (Shirasu-Hiza et al., 2007), these  
290 flies were not found to be more active than healthy controls. Infection with Gram-negative  
291 bacteria in *D. melanogaster* yields contrasting findings, showing that these infections can both  
292 reduce and increase sleep (Kuo et al., 2010; Kuo and Williams, 2014; Shirasu-Hiza et al.,  
293 2007). One study found that increased sleep lead to greater survival and bacterial clearance,  
294 but the flies studied were sleep deprived prior to infection, making it difficult to disambiguate  
295 the effect of the earlier sleep deprivation from – and on – subsequent infection and  
296 compensatory sleep. Interestingly, in that same study, flies in the control treatment – which  
297 were not sleep deprived – exhibited increased activity following infection (Kuo and Williams,  
298 2014). We attribute the discrepancy between this study and previous work in observing a  
299 change in activity to differences between the annotative capabilities of the different activity  
300 monitoring systems used, specifically the greater spatial and temporal resolution afforded by  
301 the method employed here (Geissmann et al., 2017). Another potential explanation for the  
302 discrepancy is that while previous work evaluated activity levels immediately after the  
303 infection (Kuo et al., 2010; Kuo and Williams, 2014), we focus our attention on activity levels  
304 several hours or even days following initiation of the systemic infection. Thus, the temporal  
305 dynamics of the infection and the effects on behaviour may be intimately related.

306 Given the role of the fat body in the immune response, we predicted that pathogen  
307 recognition and subsequent activation of immune signalling pathways could contribute to the  
308 observed increase in activity; a supposition that was bolstered by the observation that both the

309 occurrence and magnitude of the increased activity was positively correlated with the presence  
310 and number of bacteria. Disrupting the activity of the Toll pathway in the fat body phenocopied  
311 the ablation of activity observed in whole-body *spz* mutants, confirming that immune signalling  
312 in the fat body is vital during *M. luteus* infection. Whilst *spz* is secreted from tissues other than  
313 the fat body, these results suggest that the contribution of fat body derived *spz* is necessary.  
314 Our results leave open the possibility that fat body derived *spz* activates Toll signalling in  
315 neurons but further work is needed to confirm this interaction.

316 Intercellular signalling via cytokines has been shown to be vital to the induction of  
317 sickness behaviours (Dantzer, 2009, 2001; Davis and Raizen, 2017; Lasselin et al., 2020).  
318 Thus, immune detection in any of an organism's organs has the potential to send signals to the  
319 brain that ultimately affect behaviour. One study found that in *D. melanogaster*, fat body  
320 derived *spz* was sufficient to induce sleep following infection (Kuo et al., 2010). Furthermore,  
321 a recent study showed that knocking down Toll signalling in the sleep-regulating R5 neurons  
322 suppressed the characteristic increase in sleep that is observed following sleep deprivation  
323 (Blum et al., 2021). Collectively these findings support a model where *spz* originating from the  
324 fat body, acts on a group of heretofore unidentified neurons to induce behavioural changes  
325 during infection. It follows that as pathogen load decreases, leading to less Toll signalling, we  
326 observe a corresponding extinction of infection-induced activity.

327 The role of increased activity during infection remains elusive but given that the  
328 behaviour appears to be activated via multiple pathways suggests that it serves a function rather  
329 than being the result of pleiotropy. Future work to discover other mechanisms involved has the  
330 potential to address the question of underlying function. Furthermore, the diversity of bacteria  
331 as well as the tools available to manipulate bacterial genomes, can be used to identify bacteria-  
332 derived signals that contribute to this response.

333 **Methods**

334 **General experimental procedures**

335 *w<sup>111</sup>* flies were used as wild-type flies throughout the study. A complete record of all other fly  
336 lines used in this study can be found in the supplementary information (Figure 2 supplementary  
337 table 1). For all experiments, male flies were collected following eclosion and kept in same-  
338 sex vials for 5 - 7 days in groups of 20. Thus, all experiments were conducted on flies between  
339 5 and 8 days old. Flies were maintained on a standard diet composed of 10% w/v yeast, 8%  
340 w/v fructose, 2% w/v polenta, 0.8% w/v agar, supplemented with 0.075% w/v nipagin and  
341 0.0825% vol propionic acid, at 25°C. Bacteria were grown from single colonies overnight at  
342 37°C shaking with the exception of *L. monocytogenes* which was grown at 37°C without  
343 shaking. Each fly was injected with 50 nanolitres of bacteria diluted in PBS. Control flies were  
344 either injected with sterile PBS or were anaesthetized but otherwise unmanipulated, here  
345 referred to as mock controls and uninfected, respectively. Injections were carried out using a  
346 pulled-glass capillary needle and a Picospritzer injector system (Parker, New Hampshire, US).  
347 Following injection flies were kept at 29°C.

348 **Behavioural experiments**

349 For all experiments, flies were sorted into glass tubes [70 mm × 5 mm × 3 mm (length × external  
350 diameter × internal diameter)] containing the same food used for rearing. After 2 days of  
351 acclimation under a regime of 12:12 Light:Dark (LD) condition in incubators set at 25°C  
352 animals were subject to either bacterial injection, mock injection, or anaesthetization (as above  
353 described), between zeitgeber time (ZT) 00 to ZT02 (the first 2h after lights ON) and  
354 transferred to fresh glass tubes containing our lab's standard food as described above. Activity  
355 recordings were performed using ethoscopes (Geissmann et al., 2017) under 12:12 LD  
356 condition, 60% humidity at 29°C. Behavioural data analysis was performed in RStudio  
357 (RStudio Team, 2015) employing the Rethomics suit of packages (Geissmann et al., 2017). All

358 behavioural assays were repeated at least twice with 20 – 60 flies/treatment/experiment. For  
359 lethal infections, behavioural data were analysed for the period between the first and final 12h  
360 of the assay; these windows of time were excluded as they encompass excessive noise due to  
361 awakening from anaesthesia/acclimation and mortality leading to declining sample sizes,  
362 respectively. For non-lethal infections, we analysed the 24h period following the initial 12h ( $t$   
363 = 12h – 36h post infection), this time encompasses the duration of *M. luteus* infection after  
364 which live bacteria are no longer detected in flies.

365 **Bacterial quantification**

366 Bacteria were quantified either via qPCR or plating. For plating, one fly was homogenised in  
367 100 $\mu$ l of sterile ddH<sub>2</sub>O. Homogenates were serially diluted and plated onto LB agar plates  
368 where they incubated for 16-18h. Following incubation, the number of individual bacterial  
369 colonies observed on each plate was quantified and back-calculated to determine the number  
370 of CFUs present in each fly. For qPCR, one fly was homogenised in a 100 $\mu$ l of Tris-EDTA,  
371 1% Proteinase K (NEB, P8107S) solution. Homogenates were incubated for 3h at 55°C  
372 followed by a ten-minute incubation at 95°C. Following incubation, we performed our qPCR  
373 protocol as outlined below to determine the number of bacterial colony forming units (CFU).  
374 All quantifications were repeated at least twice with 8-16 samples/treatment/experiment.

375 **Measurement of triglycerides**

376 Triglycerides were measured using thin layer chromatography (TLC) assays as described  
377 elsewhere (Al-Anzi et al., 2009). Briefly, each sample consisted of 10 flies; flies were placed  
378 in microcentrifuge tubes and stored at -80°C until the time of analysis. To perform the TLC  
379 assay, samples were removed from the -80°C freezer and spun down (3 min at 13,000 rpm at  
380 4°C) in 100 $\mu$ l of a chloroform (3) : methanol (1) solution. Flies were then homogenised and  
381 subject to a further ‘quick spin’. Standards were generated using lard dissolved in the same  
382 chloroform : methanol solution. We loaded 2 $\mu$ l of each standard and 20 $\mu$ l of each sample onto

383 a silica gel glass plate (Millipore). Plates were then placed into a chamber pre-loaded with  
384 solvent (hexane (4) : ethyl ether (1)) and left to run until the solvent could be visualised 1cm  
385 prior to the edge of the plate. Plates were then removed from the chamber, allowed to dry, and  
386 stained with CAM solution. Plates were baked at 80°C for 15-25min and imaged using a  
387 scanner. Analysis was conducted in ImageJ using the Gels Analysis tool. This assay was  
388 repeated at least twice with four samples/treatment/experiment.

### 389 **Measurement of carbohydrates (glucose + trehalose and glycogen)**

390 Each sample contained three flies that were homogenised in 75µl of TE + 0.1% Triton X-100  
391 (Sigma Aldrich). Samples were incubated for 20 min at 75°C and stored at -80°C. Prior to the  
392 assay, samples were incubated for 5 min at 65°C. Following incubation, 10µl from each sample  
393 was loaded into four wells of a 96-well plate. Each well was designated to serve as a  
394 measurement for either: control (10µl sample + 190µl H<sub>2</sub>O), glucose (10µl sample + 190µl  
395 glucose reagent (Sentinel Diagnostics)), trehalose (10µl sample + 190µl glucose reagent +  
396 trehalase (Sigma Aldrich)), or glycogen (10µl sample + 190µl glucose reagent +  
397 amyloglucosidase (Sigma Aldrich)). A standard curve was generated by serially diluting a  
398 glucose sample of known concentration and adding 190µl of glucose reagent to 10µl of each  
399 standard. Standards were always run at the same time and in the same plate as samples. Plates  
400 were incubated for 1h at 37°C following which the absorbance for each well at 492 nm was  
401 determined using a plate reader. This assay was repeated at least twice with four  
402 samples/treatment/experiment.

### 403 **Western Blots**

404 Each sample contained three flies that were homogenised directly in 75µl 2x Laemmli SDS-  
405 PAGE buffer. The primary antibodies used were anti-phospho-Akt (Cell Signalling  
406 Technologies 4054, used at 1:1000), anti-total-Akt (Cell Signalling Technologies 4691,  
407 1:1000), and anti-α-tubulin (Developmental Studies Hybridoma Bank 12G10, 1:5000). The

408 secondary antibodies used were anti-rabbit IgG (Cell Signalling Technologies 7074, 1:5000)  
409 and anti-mouse IgG (Cell Signalling Technologies 7076, 1:10,000). The chemiluminescent  
410 substrate used was SuperSignalTM West Pico PLUS (Thermo Scientific 34580). Blots were  
411 imaged using a Fuji LAS-3000 luminescent image analyser and images analysed in ImageJ.

#### 412 **Feeding**

413 For each sample, eight flies were placed into a 50mL Falcon tube with a lid containing our  
414 standard food (described above) with the addition of the food dye Erioglaucine sodium salt,  
415 1% w/vol (Alfa Aesar) and left for 30 or 80h. To determine the amount of ingested food, flies  
416 were homogenised in 200µL of Tris-EDTA 0.1% Triton-X. Following homogenisation  
417 samples were spun down (20 minutes at 13 000 rpm, RT) and 100µL of the supernatant  
418 removed (this contained predominantly suspended triglyceride). We then added 300µL of Tris-  
419 EDTA 0.1% Triton-X to the sample and spun for 10 minutes at 13 000 rpm, RT. 200µL of each  
420 suspension was placed into a 96-well plate. To determine the amount of excreted food, 1mL of  
421 Tris-EDTA 0.1% Triton-X was added to each Falcon tube and the tube briefly vortexed.  
422 Following vortex, tubes were placed on a roller for 5 minutes and then subject to a ‘quick-  
423 spin’. 200µL was taken from each tube and placed into a 96-well plate. 96-well plates were  
424 read at 620nm and normalized to the mean value of the uninfected controls. Data are presented  
425 as a combination of excreted (Falcon tube) and ingested (fly homogenate) values. This assay  
426 was repeated at least twice with four samples/treatment/experiment.

#### 427 **Statistical analysis**

428 Data were analysed in R Studio with R versions 3.5.3 and 3.6.3 (RStudio Team, 2015).  
429 Behavioural data were analysed using the Rethomics package (Geissmann et al., 2017); for all  
430 other assays, we first tested for normality of data which dictated whether an ANOVA, t-test,  
431 Kruskal-Wallis analysis of variance, or Mann-Whitney U test was used to calculate differences  
432 between treatments. When appropriate, we performed *post hoc* Tukey, Nemenyi or Dunn

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677 **Figure 1. Infection with *Francisella novicida* leads to increased locomotor activity. (A)**  
678 Ethogram showing percentage of wild-type males moving over time. Alternating white and  
679 black horizontal bar along the x-axis indicates day (12h light) and night (12h dark) cycles,  
680 respectively. Uninfected and mock controls are represented by grey and black tracings,  
681 respectively. Infected flies are in blue. Shaded areas surrounding solid lines represent the 95%  
682 confidence intervals. Flies were injected within two hours of the beginning of their light cycle  
683 ( $t = 0$ ). Background area highlighted in grey indicates the time for which data were analysed  
684 as represented in adjoining boxplot. Boxplots showing percentage of infected wild-type males  
685 (**B**) engaging in micro-movements (e.g. feeding and grooming), (**C**) walking and (**D**) sleeping.  
686 Markers indicate individual data points. Horizontal bar within each box represents the median.  
687 The bottom and top lines of the box represent the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quartiles, respectively. Whiskers  
688 represent the smallest value between: highest and lowest values or 1.5x the interquartile range.  
689 Boxes without common letters are significantly different. Sample sizes (n) are indicated under  
690 the boxplots. Plots throughout have identical formatting, therefore a full description of  
691 ethogram and boxplot features is omitted in subsequent legends. *Francisella novicida* infected  
692 animals moved significantly more than both the uninfected and mock controls (Kruskal-Wallis  
693 chi-square = 99.206, df = 2, n = 419, p = 2.2e-16; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F. novicida* = 1.2e-  
694 17, mock|uninfected = 0.41, uninfected|*F. novicida* = 1.4e-14). Infected flies **engaged in more**  
695 **micro-movements** (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 33.287, df = 2, n = 419, p = 5.9e-08; Dunn's  
696 *post hoc*: mock|*F. novicida* = 9.5e-05, **walked more** (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 88.383, df  
697 = 2, n = 419, p = 2.2e-16; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F. novicida* = 1.02e-15, mock |uninfected =  
698 0.48, uninfected|*F. novicida* = 2.7e-13), mock |uninfected = 0.23, uninfected|*F. novicida* =  
699 2.7e-07), and **spent less time sleeping** (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 99.206, df = 2, n = 419, p  
700 = 2.2e-16; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F. novicida* = 1.2e-17, mock|uninfected = 0.41, uninfected|*F.*  
701 *novicida* = 1.4e-14) than both the mock and uninfected controls. (**E**) Activity level within the  
702 first day of *F. novicida* infection was positively correlated with survival (Pearson's correlation,  
703  $r = 0.282$ ;  $t = 2.96$ , df = 101,  $p = 3.9e-03$ ). Data from multiple replicates are shown.

704 **Figure 2. Infection with multiple bacteria leads to increased activity in wild-type flies.**  
705 Ethogram showing percentage of wild-type flies moving over time during infection with **(A)**  
706 *Micrococcus luteus* **(B)** *Listeria monocytogenes* and **(C)** *Staphylococcus aureus*. Infected flies  
707 moved significantly more than both the uninfected and mock controls (*M. luteus*: Kruskal-  
708 Wallis chi-square = 42.22, df = 2, n = 226, p = 6.8e-10; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|M. luteus =  
709 7.02e-10, mock|uninfected = 0.07, uninfected|M. luteus = 3.0e-05; *L. monocytogenes*: Kruskal-  
710 Wallis chi-square = 26.859, df = 2, n = 238, p = 1.5e-06; Dunn's *post hoc*:  
711 mock|*L. monocytogenes* = 3.05e-05, mock|uninfected = 0.68, uninfected|*L. monocytogenes* =  
712 8.7e-06; *S. aureus*: Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 55.016, df = 2, n = 236, p = 1.1e-12; Dunn's  
713 *post hoc*: mock|*S. aureus* = 1.2e-09, mock|uninfected = 0.49, uninfected|*S. aureus* = 1.1e-10).  
714 Activity level within the first day of **(D)** *L. monocytogenes* and **(E)** *S. aureus* infection was  
715 positively correlated with survival (*L. monocytogenes*: Pearson's correlation,  $r = 0.408$ ;  $t =$   
716 3.13, df = 49,  $p = 2.9e-03$ ; *S. aureus*: Pearson's correlation,  $r = -0.309$ ;  $t = -2.61$ , df = 64,  $p =$   
717 0.0114). Data from multiple replicates are shown. Behavioural assays were performed at least  
718 twice, data from all replicates are shown.

719 **Figure 3. Toll signalling mutants do not increase activity during *M. luteus* infection.**

720 Ethogram showing percentage of (A) *imd*<sup>10191</sup>, (B) *spz*<sup>eGFP</sup> and (C) *spz*<sup>Δ8-1</sup> flies moving over  
721 time. *Micrococcus luteus* infected *imd*<sup>10191</sup> flies – but not *spz*<sup>eGFP</sup> – moved significantly more  
722 than both the uninfected and mock controls (*imd*<sup>10191</sup>: Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 32.93, df =  
723 2, n = 238, p = 7.1e-08; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|M. *luteus* = 6.9e-08, mock|uninfected = 0.1,  
724 uninfected|M. *luteus* = 1.07e-04; *spz*<sup>eGFP</sup>: Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 2.99, df = 2, n = 239, p  
725 = 0.22; *spz*<sup>Δ8-1</sup>: Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 1.28, df = 2, n = 120, p = 0.528). Data from  
726 multiple replicates are shown.

727 **Figure 4. *Micrococcus luteus* and *Francisella novicida* infection similarly disrupt host**  
728 **metabolism. (A)** Western blot of phosphorylated AKT (Ser505) during *F. novicida* infection  
729 in wild-type flies. Total AKT and tubulin levels for each sample also shown. Boxplot shows  
730 quantification of pAKT relative to  $\alpha$ -tubulin using data from both repeats of the experiment.  
731 **(B)** Levels of circulating and stored glycogen and triglyceride (TAG) and feeding activity **(C)**  
732 during early (30h) and late (80h) infection. Mock controls are indicated in grey, whilst *F.*  
733 *novicida* and *M. luteus* injections are indicated in blue and green, respectively. Data are plotted  
734 relative to the mean of uninfected controls. **Metabolism 30h post infection:** There was a  
735 significant effect of infection, such that glucose levels were significantly lower in *F. novicida*-  
736 infected flies (AOV:  $df = 2$ ,  $n = 28$ ,  $F = 3.449$ ,  $p = 0.048$ ; Tukey's HSD: mock|*F. novicida* =  
737 0.038, mock |*M. luteus* = 0.62, *M. luteus*|*F. novicida* = 0.29). Infection had a significant effect  
738 on glycogen stores which were reduced in both infections (AOV:  $df = 2$ ,  $n = 29$ ,  $F = 12.112$ ,  $p$   
739 = 2.1e-04; Tukey's HSD: mock|*F. novicida* = 0.049, mock |*M. luteus* = 1.4e-04, *M. luteus*|*F.*  
740 *novicida* = 0.102), but only *M. luteus*-infected flies had a significant reduction in triglycerides  
741 (AOV:  $df = 2$ ,  $n = 27$ ,  $F = 18.763$ ,  $p = 1.5e-05$ ; Tukey's HSD: mock|*F. novicida* = 0.073,  
742 mock|*M. luteus* = 8.8e-06, *M. luteus*|*F. novicida* = 3.5e-03). **Metabolism 80h post infection:**  
743 There was a significant effect of infection, such that glucose levels were significantly higher in  
744 *F. novicida*-infected flies (AOV:  $df = 2$ ,  $n = 31$ ,  $F = 6.883$ ,  $p = 3.5e-03$ ; Tukey's HSD: mock|*F.*  
745 *novicida* = 0.018, mock|*M. luteus* = 0.41, *M. luteus*|*F. novicida* = 3.4e-03). Infection led to a  
746 significant reduction of both glycogen (AOV:  $df = 2$ ,  $n = 31$ ,  $F = 17.315$ ,  $p = 1e-05$ ; Tukey's  
747 HSD: mock|*F. novicida* = 1.6e-04, mock |*M. luteus* = 1.1e-04, *M. luteus*|*F. novicida* = 0.99),  
748 and triglycerides (AOV:  $df = 2$ ,  $n = 28$ ,  $F = 21.622$ ,  $p = 2.5e-06$ ; Tukey's HSD: mock|*F.*  
749 *novicida* = 2.3e-06, mock|*M. luteus* = 2.7e-07, *M. luteus*|*F. novicida* = 0.066). **Feeding:** Neither  
750 infection affected feeding within **30h** of injection (AOV:  $df = 2$ ,  $n = 26$ ,  $F = 1.117$ ,  $p = 0.35$ ),  
751 but **80h** post-injection, *F. novicida*-infected flies fed significantly more than mock controls but  
752 not more than *M. luteus*-infected flies (AOV:  $df = 2$ ,  $n = 29$ ,  $F = 7.289$ ,  $p = 4.2e-03$ ; Tukey's  
753 HSD: mock|*F. novicida* = 9.2e-03, mock|*M. luteus* = 0.58, *M. luteus*|*F. novicida* = 0.082). **(D)**  
754 Ethogram showing percentage of flies moving over time. Neuronal KD of adipokinetic  
755 hormone did not eliminate *F. novicida* infection-induced activity, suggesting that this  
756 phenotype is not resulting from starvation (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 39.461,  $df = 2$ ,  $n = 159$ ,  
757  $p = 2.7e-09$ ; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F. novicida* = 4.3e-09, mock|uninfected = 0.35,  
758 uninfected|*F. novicida* = 1.4e-05). Data from multiple replicates shown.

759 **Figure 5. Fat body and neuronal Toll signalling is required for infection-induced activity**  
760 **during *Micrococcus luteus* infection.** Ethogram showing percentage of flies moving over time  
761 with fat body (A) *spz* (w; *c564*> w; *spz*-IR) (B) *MyD88* (w; *c564*> w; *MyD88*-IR) and (C) *Dif*  
762 (w; *c564*> w; *Dif*-IR) knockdown. *Micrococcus luteus* infection had no effect on *spz*, nor  
763 *MyD88* fat body KD flies (*c564>spz-IR*: Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 0.96, df = 2, n = 239, p  
764 = 0.62; *c564>MyD88-IR*: Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 5.92, df = 2, n = 120, p = 0.052). *Dif*  
765 fat body KD flies infected with *M. luteus* were significantly more active than mock-injected  
766 but not uninfected controls (*c564>Dif-IR*: Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 15.45, df = 2, n = 361,  
767 p = 4.4e-04; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|M. *luteus* = 2.6e-04, mock|uninfected = 0.077, uninfected|M.  
768 *luteus* = 0.053). Pan-neural (A) *MyD88* (*nSyb*>*MyD88*-IR) and (B) *Dif* knockdown  
769 (*nSyb*>*Dif*-IR) led to increased activity during infection (*nSyb>MyD88-IR*: Kruskal-Wallis  
770 chi-square = 12.69, df = 2, n = 290, p = 1.8e-03 ; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|M. *luteus* = 0.027,  
771 mock|uninfected = 0.304, uninfected|M. *luteus* = 1.7e-03; *nSyb>Dif-IR*: Kruskal-Wallis chi-  
772 square = 11.05, df = 2, n = 249, p = 3.9e-03; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|M. *luteus* = 5.7e-03,  
773 mock|uninfected = 0.68, uninfected|M. *luteus* = 0.018). Data from multiple replicates are  
774 shown.

775 **Figure 1 - Supplementary Figure 1. Quantifying engagement in specific behaviours.**  
776 Ethogram showing percentage of infected wild-type males **(A)** walking, **(B)** engaging in  
777 micro-movements (e.g. feeding and grooming) and **(C)** sleeping. Boxplots show the  
778 quantification of **(D)** total distance covered and **(E)** the total number of times that the flies  
779 crossed the middle of the housing tube as a proportion of the time (in seconds) spent awake.  
780 Uninfected and mock controls are represented by grey and black tracings, respectively. Infected  
781 flies are in blue. **Distance covered when active** (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 6.496, df = 2, n  
782 = 419, p = 0.039; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F. novicida* = 0.033, mock |uninfected = 0.163,  
783 uninfected|*F. novicida* = 0.460) and **midline crosses when active** (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square  
784 = 5.453, df = 2, n = 419, p = 0.065; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F. novicida* = 0.064, mock  
785 |uninfected = 0.330, uninfected|*F. novicida* = 0.339) were not impacted by the infection. **(F)**  
786 Activity level throughout *F. novicida* infection was not correlated with survival (Pearson's  
787 correlation,  $r = 0.313$ ;  $t = 3.31$ , df = 101,  $p = 0.001$ ) and **(G)** activity levels on day 1 are  
788 positively correlated with total activity (Pearson's correlation,  $r = 0.744$ ;  $t = 11.2$ , df = 101,  $p$   
789 = 2.2e-16). Data from multiple replicates are shown.

790 **Figure 2 - Supplementary Figure 1. Not all bacteria induce activity in wild-type flies.**

791 Ethograms showing percentage of flies moving over time. Uninfected and mock controls are  
792 represented by grey and black tracings, respectively. Infected flies are in orange. Neither of  
793 these extracellular/Gram-negative bacteria, *Escherichia coli* and *Enterobacter cloacae* induced  
794 activity (*E. coli*: Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 3.699, df = 2, n = 300, p = 0.16; *E. cloacae*:  
795 Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 1.516, df = 2, n = 229, p = 0.47). Data from multiple replicates  
796 are shown.

797 **Figure 2 - Supplementary Figure 2. *Francisella novicida* infection increases activity in**  
798 **several immune and locomotor mutants.** Boxplots showing the percentage of flies moving  
799 over time. Uninfected and mock controls are represented by grey and black tracings,  
800 respectively. Infected flies are in blue. Previously characterized phenotypes and statistics of  
801 studied mutants can be found in Figure 2 – Supplementary Tables 1 and 2. Data from  
802 multiple replicates are shown.

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804 **Figure 2 – figure supplement table 1. Phenotypes of activity mutants tested.**

Gene	Published phenotype
<i>yw</i>	Alternative ‘control’ line; abnormal colour (yellow) & male courtship behaviour
<i>tak1</i> <sup>1</sup>	Highly susceptible to Gram negative bacteria
<i>upd2</i> <sup>Δ</sup>	Defective immune response
<i>pdf</i> <sup>01</sup>	Locomotor & circadian behaviour defective
<i>dop1R2</i> <sup>MB05108</sup>	Hypoactive
<i>dopR1</i> <sup>f2676</sup>	Hyperactive
<i>iav</i> <sup>3621</sup>	Locomotor behaviour defective

805 \*references which cite each phenotype can be found via allele pages on FlyBase.

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807 **Figure 2 – figure supplement table 2. Statistics from activity mutant assays.**

Genotype	Kruskal-Wallis Test Statistics	Uninfected PBS	Uninfected  <i>F. novicida</i>	PBS  <i>F. novicida</i>
<i>y,w;</i>	$X^2= 12.456, df= 2, n= 220, p= 1.8e-03$	$p = 0.14$	$p = 0.041$	$p = 1.3e-03$
<i>tak1</i> <sup>1</sup> /FM7h;;	$X^2= 32.963, df= 2, n= 258, p= 6.9e-08$	$p = 0.77$	$p = 3.6e-07$	$p = 4.1e-06$
<i>w upd2</i> <sup>Δ</sup> ;;	$X^2= 66.744, df= 2, n= 237, p= 3.2e-15$	$p = 0.26$	$p = 1.4e-10$	$p = 1.5e-13$
<i>w;;pdf</i> <sup>01</sup>	$X^2= 13.525, df= 2, n= 237, p= 1.2e-03$	$p = 0.27$	$p = 0.02$	$p = 1e-03$
<i>dop1R2</i> <sup>MB05108</sup>	$X^2= 15.524, df= 2, n= 90, p= 4.3e-04$	$p = 0.94$	$p = 1.1e-03$	$p = 1.6e-03$
<i>dopR1</i> <sup>f2676</sup>	$X^2= 44.393, df= 2, n= 130, p= 2.3e-10$	$p = 0.81$	$p = 1.4e-08$	$p = 1.1e-08$
<i>iav</i> <sup>3621</sup> /FM7h	$X^2= 32.974, df= 2, n= 158, p= 6.9e-08$	$p = 0.36$	$p = 1.6e-05$	$p = 3.8e-07$

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810 **Figure 2 – Supplementary Figure 3.** *Francisella novicida* and *Micrococcus luteus* differ in  
811 **lethality.** In all plots, grey and black tracings represent uninfected and mock controls,  
812 respectively. *F. novicida*, *Micrococcus luteus*, *Listeria monocytogenes* and *Staphylococcus*  
813 *aureus* infections are shown in blue, green, orange and yellow, respectively. *Francisella*  
814 *novicida* infection was lethal in all four genotypes. Infection with *M. luteus* did not result in  
815 more lethality than either uninfected or mock controls, while *L. monocytogenes* and *S. aureus*  
816 both lead to decreased survival. Median survival is indicated by dotted lines intersecting the y  
817 and x axes at 50% survival and time (in days), respectively. Survival was calculated at the same  
818 time as activity data and thus have the same sample size as indicated elsewhere. Data from  
819 multiple replicates are shown. **Quantification of *M. luteus*** load markers (as indicated)  
820 represent means and whiskers represent SE. Initial inoculum consisted of  $\sim 10^3$  colony forming  
821 units (CFUs). Within 30h bacterial numbers decreased to near-undetectable levels (average of  
822 28-40 CFUs/fly). **Quantification of *F. novicida*.** Bacterial numbers increase over the course  
823 of infection. All genotypes were injected with the same initial dose ( $t = 0$ ;  $\sim 1700$  CFUs). The  
824 last measured timepoint was 24h prior to the onset of death for each genotype; this was 72h for  
825 all genotypes except *imd*<sup>10191</sup> which was 48h. Genotypes are represented by marker style and  
826 line colour as indicated inset. Markers indicate means and whiskers represent SE. Bacterial  
827 quantifications were repeated at least twice,  $n = 16-22$  flies/genotype/timepoint; data from all  
828 replicates are shown.

829 **Figure 3 – Supplementary Figure 1. Mutants of Toll and IMD pathways exhibit increased**  
830 **locomotor activity during *Francisella novicida* infection.** Ethogram showing percentage of  
831 **(A) *imd*<sup>10191</sup> (B) *spz*<sup>eGFP</sup> and (C) *imd*<sup>10191</sup>; *spz*<sup>eGFP</sup>, flies moving over time.** *Francisella novicida*  
832 infected animals moved significantly more than both the uninfected and mock controls (***imd*:**  
833 Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 111.32, df = 2, n = 482, p = 2.2e-16; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F.*  
834 *novicida* = 1.3e-20, mock|uninfected = 0.38, uninfected|*F. novicida* = 1.4e-18; ***spz*<sup>eGFP</sup>:**  
835 Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 59.59, df = 2, n = 220, p = 1.1e-13; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F.*  
836 *novicida* = 1.7e-12, mock|uninfected = 0.36, uninfected|*F. novicida* = 1.6e-09; ***imd;spz*<sup>eGFP</sup>:**  
837 Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 52.594, df = 2, n = 195, p = 3.8e-12; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F.*  
838 *novicida* = 5.6e-09, mock|uninfected = 0.45, uninfected|*F. novicida* = 1.9e-10). Data from  
839 multiple replicates are shown.

840 **Figure 5 – Supplementary Figure 1. Fat body and pan-neural driver controls exhibit**  
841 **increased locomotor activity during infection. (A)** Ethogram showing percentage of *c564*>+  
842 flies moving over time. *Francisella novicida*-infected animals moved significantly more than  
843 both the uninfected and mock controls (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 8.41, df = 2, n = 128, p =  
844 0.015; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F. novicida* = 0.049, mock|uninfected = 0.41, uninfected|*F.*  
845 *novicida* = 0.015). *Micrococcus luteus*-infected animals moved significantly more than  
846 uninfected controls but no more than mock controls (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 7.64, df = 2,  
847 n = 136, p = 0.022; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*M. luteus* = 0.091, mock|uninfected = 0.35,  
848 uninfected|*M. luteus* = 0.022). **(B)** *Francisella novicida*-infected *nSyb*>+ flies moved  
849 significantly more than both the uninfected and mock controls (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square =  
850 46.38, df = 2, n = 178, p = 8.5e-11; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*F. novicida* = 3.6e-08,  
851 mock|uninfected = 0.56, uninfected|*F. novicida* = 1.8e-09). *Micrococcus luteus*-infected  
852 animals moved significantly more than uninfected controls but no more than mock controls  
853 (Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 7.35, df = 2, n = 179, p = 0.025; Dunn's *post hoc*: mock|*M. luteus*  
854 = 0.19, mock|uninfected = 0.24, uninfected|*M. luteus* = 0.021). *Francisella novicida* and  
855 *Micrococcus luteus* data were analysed over 0.5d - 3.5d and 0.5d - 1.5d, respectively. Data  
856 from multiple replicates are shown.









