

eFigure 13 Changes in the monocyte compartment of young and old MS patients and HD. Flow cytometric analysis of frozen PBMC from young (≤ 50 years) and old (> 50 years) patients with multiple sclerosis (MS) and healthy donors (HD). Demographic data of study subjects are depicted in eTable 1. (A) Percentages of CD14⁺ monocytes (HD: young: n=18, old: n=18; MS: young: n=39, old: n=36). (B) Frequencies of classical, intermediate and non-classical monocytes (HD: young: n=20, old: n=19; MS: young: n=38, old: n=37). (C) Mean fluorescence Intensity (MFI) of CCR7 on total monocytes (left) and classical monocytes (right) (HD: young: n=20, old: n=19; MS: young: n=38, old: n=37). (D) MFI of CCR2 on total monocytes (left) and classical monocytes (right) (HD: young: n=15, old: n=17; MS: young: n=37, old: n=37). (E) IFN-γ, CCL2 and TNF-α expression on unstimulated CD14⁺ monocytes (HD: young: n=20, old: n=20; MS: young: n=40, old: n=38). (F) IFN-γ, CCL2, TNF-α, IL-6 and IL-1β expression on CD14⁺ monocytes stimulated with 100 ng/ml LPS for 2 h (HD: young: n=20, old: n=20; MS: young: n=40, old: n=38). Data are displayed as boxplots of the median and the 25th and 75th percentile ± IQR. Statistical analysis was conducted by two-tailed Mann-Whitney test. Differences were considered statistically significant with the following P-values: *P < 0.05, **P < 0.01, ***P < 0.001 and ****P < 0.0001