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# **Supplementary Figure 1. Gating trees for ex vivo CD1a tetramer stainings.**

(a) Gating strategies used to identify and quantify CD1a-tetramer+ T cells included a lymphocyte gate - single cells - live, CD14-/CD19- - CD3+ T cells - tetramer gate. For the tetramer gate we have used a gate that was more stringent gate than FMO. This gate was emperically established by sorting low (mfi<10<sup>3</sup>) and high tetramer staining cells and validating whether they are truely CD1a tetramer specific. This stringent gate was used for all T cell sorts as well as the ex vivo data depicted in Figures 1e, 1f, , 1g, 2a, 5, 6e. In later tetramer experiments, we washed CD1a monomers after lipid loading to remove detergent and excess lipid. This step significantly reduced non-specific staining and allowed us to use the less stringent FMO gate (b). This gate was used in Figure 6f.



**Supplementary Figure 2.** UMAP projection of the tetramer-negative and CD1a-(lysyl)PG tetramer+ CD4+ T cells colored by donor, corresponding to the UMAP plots of main Figure 5a.

**merged datasets donor 325 and donor 921**

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**Supplementary Figure 3.** Violin plots depicting normalized expression values of indicated genes from single cell RNA-seq data (main Figure 5) of tetramer-negative and CD1a-(lysyl)PG tetramer+ CD4+ T cells. The clusters correspond to the clusters in the UMAP plots and heatmap of Figure 5.

*S. aureus* PGs Collisional MS fatty acid composition [M-H]- 100 241 242 (C15:0 FA) 227 29:0 437 451 679 363 377 - 228 (C14:0 FA) 14:0/15:0 455<br>-- 469 15:0/14:0  $\Omega$ 241 100 242 (C15:0 FA) 30:0 693 377 15:0/15:0 451 469  $\overline{0}$ 241  $^{1}_{255}$ 100 31:0 242 (C15:0 FA)  $391$   $46\overline{5}_{483}$ 16:0/15:0  $\frac{707}{1}$ relative abundance 0<br>100 269 241 242 (C15:0 FA) 405 32:0 721 17:0/15:0 479 497  $\perp$ 0 283 241 100 33:0 - 242 (C15:0 FA) 419 18:0/15:0 735 <sup>493</sup> 511  $\overline{0}$ 297 100 241 433 242 (C15:0 FA) 34:0 507 749 19:0/15:0 525 0 -92 (glycerol) 311 100 -H<sub>2</sub>O 241 - 242 (C15:0 FA) 35:0 447 20:0/15:0 763 521 539  $\perp$ 0 250 350 450 <sub>m/z</sub> 550 650 750 350 *m/z* C35:0  $[M-H]$ <sup> $-C41H80O10P$ </sup> 311 *m/z* 763.5 O sn-1 O OH sn-2 0-1-0 OH O O Ò 241 O 521 ö 539 447  $HO, P<sup>H</sup><sub>OH</sub>$ 92

**Figure S4 . Nanoelectrospray CID-MS analysis of the fatty acyl compositions of PGs.**

*S. aureus* PGs and *S. epidermis* PGs were analyzed by nanoelectrospray negative mode CID-MS using LXQ Linear Ion Trap mass spectrometry. The MS/MS data provided information regarding fatty acid composition as well as the fatty acyl chain position at the glycerol backbone. For example, CID of *S* aureus PG 763 ([M-H]<sup>-</sup>) yielded fragment ions of m/z 539, m/z 521, m/z 447, which corresponded to neutral loss of dehydrated C15 fatty acyl chain, neutral loss of C15 fatty acid, and neutral loss of C15 fatty acyl as well as glycerol, respectively. Two negative ions were the C20 fatty acid (*m/z* 311) and C15 fatty acid (*m/z* 241). The collision pattern suggested that the C15 fatty acyl chain is predominantly at the sn-2-position, which is preferentially cleaved (Ref: *J Am Soc Mass Spectrom*. 2007, 18, 783-790). For each chain length increment in the PG species, single fatty acid paired with sn-2-linked C15 fatty acid was dominant in *S. aureus*, whereas multiple fatty acid pairs with different fatty acids at the sn-2 position (color coded) were found in *S. epidermidis*. An example of the fragmentation patterns of *S. epidermidis* PG 693 (C30:0) was illustrated.

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# **Supplementary Figure 5.**

IL-13 Elispot of tetramer+ CD4+ T cells that were FACS-sorted from polyclonal CD1a-(lysyl)PG tetramer+ T cell lines. (Figure 6c) Co-culture conditions (triplicates) are indicated on the left.



#### **Supplementary Notes**

#### **Fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) preparation and HPLC-MS analysis.**

Lipid standards were purchased from Nui-chek Prep (straight chain, n-C15 FAME, (N-15-A) and Avanti Polar Lipids (anteiso-C15:0 fatty acid, 857510; iso-C15:0 fatty acid, 857511). Fatty acid methyl esters were prepared using the published method.<sup>1</sup> Anteiso-C15:0 fatty acid (200 µg), iso-C15:0 fatty acid (200 µg), and purified *S. aureus* PGs (25 µg) were subject to FAME conversion. Briefly, lipids were dried in 15-ml glass tubes and 2 ml of 5% methanolic (m/v) HCl was added and heated at 80 °C in a water bath for 2 hours. The solution was cooled down to the 20-25°C and 1 ml water was added, followed by 2 ml of hexane with vortexing for 30 seconds for each solvent addition. The tubes were centrifuged at 2500 rpm for 10 min, and the FAME-containing upper phase was transferred to a clean tube and dried under nitrogen gas. For the reversed phase HPLC-QTOF-MS analysis, the *S. aureus* FAME corresponding to 1 µg of initial input PGs was used to compare the three FAME (n-, iso-, and anteiso-C15 FAME) standards (10 µM) using HPLC-MS system described for PG and lysylPG analysis.

## **1D TLC purification for** *S. aureus PG* **and lysylPG.**

For PG and lysylPG isolation, 1 ml of frozen *S. aureus* pellet was thawed and extracted by the Bligh and Dyer method<sup>2</sup>. Silica-coated glass TLC plates (Sorbtech, 2115026; 20 x 20 cm, 250 µM) were precleared by chloroform/methanol/water (60:30:6 (v/v/v)). The *S. aureus* lipids extract was loaded on the TLC plate (1 mg per plate for two plates) and developed with C/M/H2O 65/25/4  $(v/v/v)$  and dried for 1 hr<sup>3</sup>. Plates were separated to two pieces in a ratio of 8:2, with the small piece was sprayed with the solution of  $3\%$  (m/v) of cupric acetate in  $8\%$  (v/v) phosphoric acid, and the lipid bands were visualized after charring for 20–30 min at 150°C. PGs have a retention factor (Rf) of ~0.26-0.30 and lysylPGs have an Rf ~0.05-0.09. Based on the reference bands on the small TLC piece, the PG and lysylPG containing bands on the large TLC piece were marked

and scraped. The silica was extracted twice with C/M (2:1; v/v). The lysylPG fraction was dried for the final analysis without further purification to avoid lysine head group hydrolysis. The PG fraction contained trace cardiolipins due to their similar Rf as detected of ESI-MS. To remove cardiolipin, the fraction was further purified using the reversed phase HPLC system described above and monitored by a QTOF mass spectrometer. The HPLC column was diverted at the known PG elution time and the eluate was collected in a glass tube. Twenty HPLC column purifications were made from one 1D TLC plate purified PGs to yield pure PG as assessed by ESI-MS. Purified lipids were quantified based on the PG and lysylPG external standard curves as described in the lysylPG stability test section.

#### **Bulk RNA-sequencing of CD1a-lysylPG tetramer+ CD4+ T cells**

Purified tetramer+ cells were incubated with or without anti-CD3/CD28 stimulator beads (stimulated) (Dynabeads ® Human T-activator CD3/CD28) for 6 hours, after which RNA was extracted using RNeasy (Qiagen). RNA Library Preparation and HiSeq Sequencing RNA sample was quantified using Qubit 2.0 Fluorometer (Life Technologies). RNA integrity was checked with 2100 Bioanalyzer (Agilent Technologies). RNA library preparation and sequencing reaction were conducted at GENEWIZ, LLC. RNA sequencing library preparation used the NEBNext Ultra RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina by following manufacturer's recommendations (NEB). Briefly, mRNA was first enriched with Oligod(T) beads. Enriched mRNAs were fragmented for 15 minutes at 94 °C. First strand and second strand cDNA were subsequently synthesized. cDNA fragments were end repaired and adenylated at 3'ends, and universal adapter was ligated to cDNA fragments, followed by index addition and library enrichment with limited cycle PCR. The sequencing library was validated on the Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer (Agilent Technologies), and quantified by using Qubit 2.0 Fluorometer (Invitrogen) as well as by quantitative PCR (Applied Biosystems). The

sequencing library was clustered on one lane of a flowcell. After clustering, the flowcell was loaded on the Illumina HiSeq instrument according to manufacturer's instructions. The samples were sequenced using a 2x150 Paired End (PE) configuration. Image analysis and base calling were conducted by the HiSeq Control Software (HCS). Raw sequence data (.bcl files) generated from Illumina HiSeq was converted into fastq files and de-multiplexed using Illumina's bcl2fastq 2.17 software. One mis-match was allowed for index sequence identification. Unique gene hit counts were calculated by using feature Counts from the Subread package v.1.5.2. Only unique reads that fell within exon regions were counted. After extraction of gene hit counts, the gene hit counts table was used for downstream differential expression analysis. Variance-stabilizing transformation (VST) was performed, and the VST data of cytokine and chemokine expression was displayed in a heatmap using Morpheus (https://software.broadinstitute.org/morpheus/).

### **Cytokine ELISA and Elispot**

Nunc Maxisorp 96-well plates (ThermoFisher, 439454) were coated at 4°C overnight with 50μl of 5μg/ml of antibody in PBS. Next, plates were washed and blocked with 300μl of 1% BSA in PBS at 20-25°C for 1 hour. Samples and standard curve dilutions were added to the plate in triplicate and incubated at 20-25°C for 2 hours. After washing, 50μl of biotin-tagged antibody at 0.5 μg/ml in PBS was added and incubated for 1 hour at 20-25°C. Plates were washed again before the addition of streptavidin-HRP diluted 1:1000 in PBS, for 30 minutes at 20-25°C. Plates were washed again before the addition of 50μl of hydrogen peroxide and tetramethylbenzidine (R&D Systems, DY999). The reaction was stopped with 25μl H2SO4.

ELISA sandwich antibody pairs: GM-CSF antibody pairs (Thermo Fisher Scientific, M501B & M500A); IFNγ (Mabtech, 3420-3-250 & 3420-6-250); IL-13 (Mabtech, 3471-3-250, 3471-6-250). Cytokine ELISAs were performed according to manufacturer's instruction (Mabtech).

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