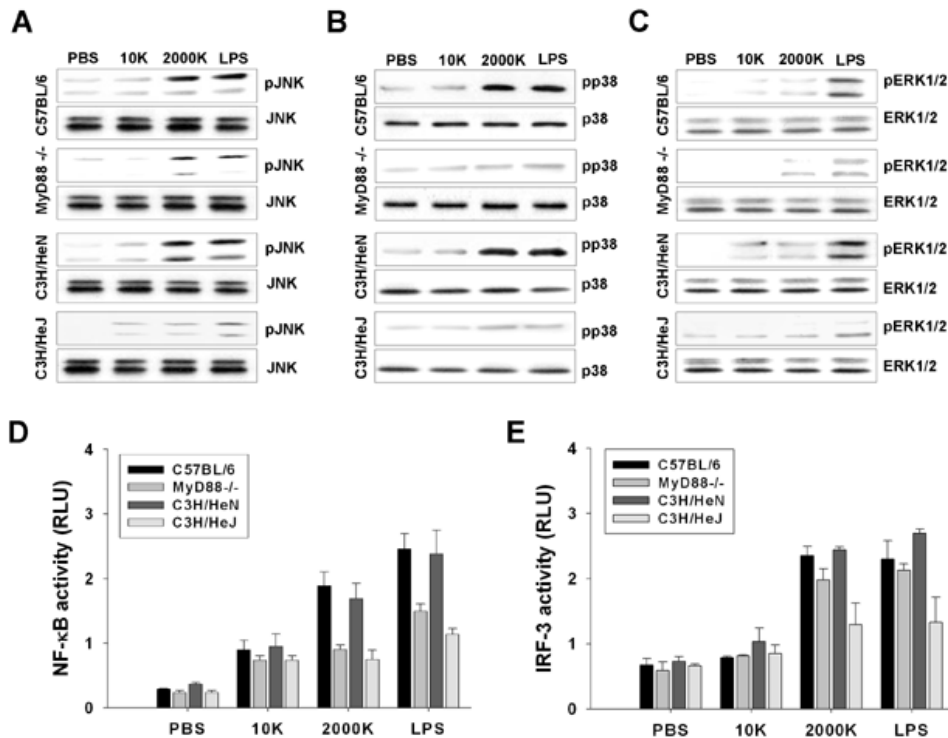


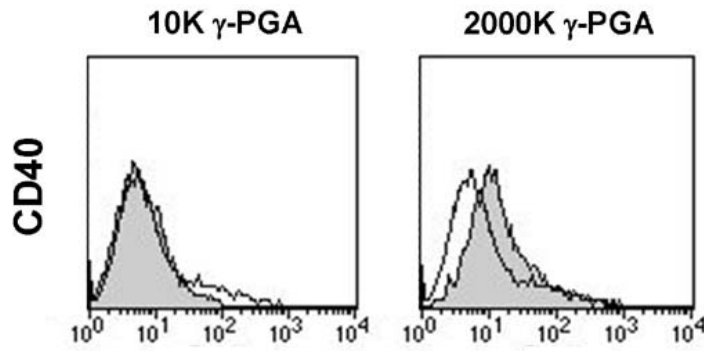
Supplementary figure 1. γ -PGA induced the activation of macrophage dose-dependently by MyD88-dependent and -independent pathways. BMDMs (1×10^6 cells/ml) isolated from wild-type or MyD88^{-/-} mice were stimulated with γ -PGA for 24 h. Concentration of TNF- α (**a**) and IP-10 (**b**) in the culture supernatants were measured by ELISA. The results are expressed as means \pm SE of three independent experiments.

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Supplementary figure 2. Intracellular signaling induced by γ -PGA was MyD88 and TLR4-dependent. BMDCs isolated from C57BL/6, MyD88^{-/-}, C3H/HeN, or C3H/HeJ mice were treated with 100 ng/ml LPS and 1 mg/ml γ -PGA for 30 min. The expression level of phosphorylated JNK (pJNK) (a), p38 kinase (pp38) (b), and ERK1/2 (pERK1/2) (c) were determined by Western blot analysis. BMDCs isolated from C57BL/6, MyD88^{-/-}, C3H/HeN, or C3H/HeJ mice were transiently transfected with pNF- κ B-Luc and IRF-3-Luc reporter gene plasmids and then cultured in complete medium for 24 h. At 24 hours after transfection, cells were treated with 100 ng/ml LPS for 1 h and 1 mg/ml γ -PGA for 2 h and then NF- κ B activity (d), IRF-3 activity (e) were determined by luciferase reporter assay. The data presented in this figure are representative of triplicate experiments. All data are representative of at least three experiments.

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Supplementary figure 3. Oral administration of γ -PGA induce dendritic cell activation *in vivo*. C57BL/6 mice (three mice per group) were treated with daily oral treatment of 400 μ g γ -PGA (10 kDa or 2,000 kDa) and PBS. Intestinal DCs were collected 1 week after feeding PBS or γ -PGA. The level of CD40 expression on intestinal DCs was examined by flow cytometry. Filled histogram and solid line indicated γ -PGA fed mice and PBS control, respectively.