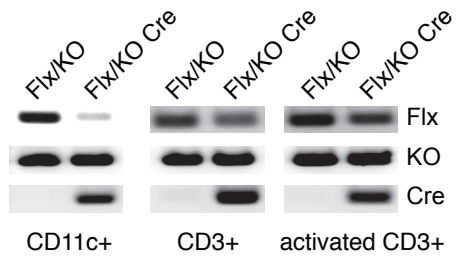
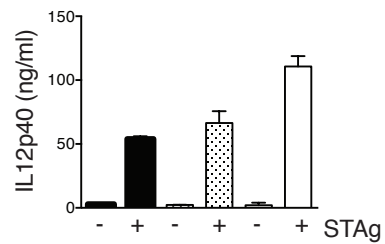


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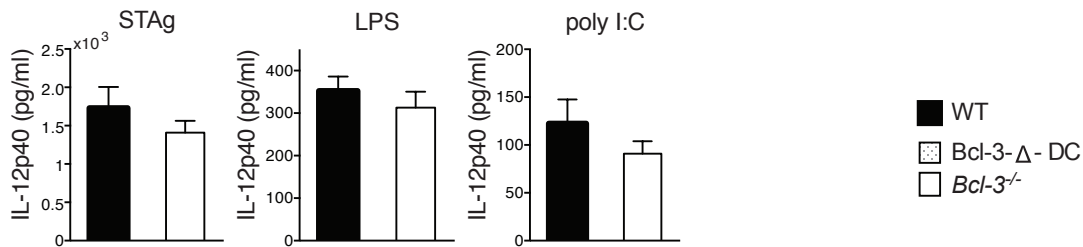
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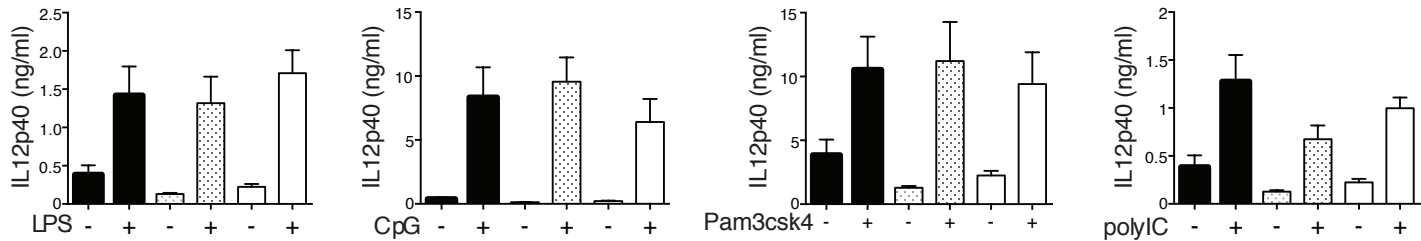
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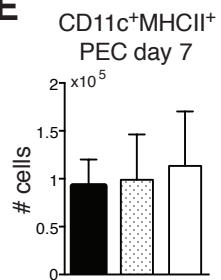
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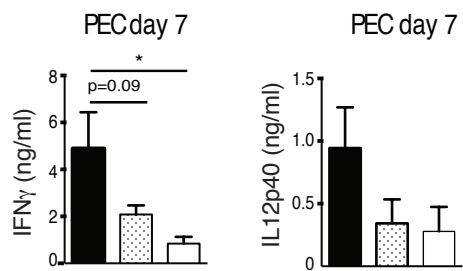
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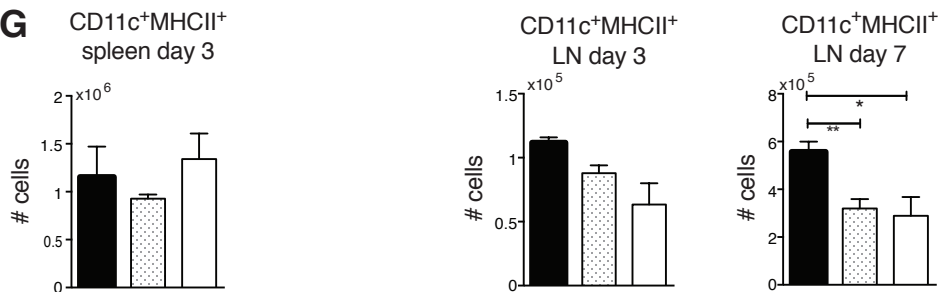
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Supporting Information Figure 1: (A) Genomic PCRs to detect the floxed (Flx) and Cre-deleted (KO) *Bcl-3* alleles, as well as the *CD11c-Cre* transgene (Cre) in CD11c⁺ cells (DCs) and in CD3⁺ (T) cells that were not treated or were activated with α CD3 and α CD28 (2 μ g/ml 145-2C11 and 4 μ g/ml BE0015-1, respectively; BioXCell) for 24h. Cells were isolated from spleens of [*Bcl-3*^{flx/-}; *CD11c-Cre*] and [*Bcl-3*^{flx/-}] mice with MACS micro beads (Miltenyi Biotec). The remaining low level of the Flx allele in CD11c⁺ cells likely reflects minor cellular contamination, as this allele is nearly absent in more highly purified CD11c⁺ DCs cells [13]. (B) WT, *Bcl-3*^{-/-} and *Bcl-3*- Δ -DC mice were injected with STAg (10 μ g/ml) i.v (or not injected) and IL12-p40 was measured in serum 6h later. Mean \pm SEM; n=3 mice/group. (C) CD11c⁺ splenic DCs were isolated from WT and *Bcl-3*^{-/-} and 10⁵ cells were stimulated with STAg (5 μ g/ml), LPS (100ng/ml) and polyI:C (100 μ g/ml) o.n. Levels of IL-12-p40 in supernatant were assessed with ELISA. Mean \pm SEM; n=3 mice/group. (D) WT, *Bcl-3*^{-/-} and *Bcl-3*- Δ -DC mice were infected with 20 cysts of *T. gondii* (ME49 strain). Cells from peritoneal cavity (PEC) were isolated one week later and 3x10⁵ cells were plated o.n in the presence of LPS (100ng/ml), CpG (1 μ g/ml), Pam3CSK (1 μ g/ml) and poly I:C (100 μ g/ml). Levels of IL-12-p40 in supernatant were assessed with ELISA. Mean \pm SEM; n=3-4 mice/group. (E) WT, *Bcl-3*^{-/-} and *Bcl-3*- Δ -DC mice were infected as above and cells from PECs were isolated one week later and stained for CD11c and MHC-II. Absolute numbers of these cells (inflammatory monocytes derived) shown as mean \pm SEM; n=4 mice/group. (F) WT, *Bcl-3*^{-/-} and *Bcl-3*- Δ -DC mice were infected as above and levels of IFN γ and IL-12p40 in the PEC were measured by CBA and ELISA, respectively. Mean \pm SEM; n=4 mice/group. (G) WT, *Bcl-3*^{-/-} and *Bcl-3*- Δ -DC mice were infected as above. Cells from spleen and mesenteric lymph nodes (LN) were isolated 3 and/or 7 days later and stained for CD11c and MHC-II. Absolute numbers of DCs shown as mean \pm SEM; n=4 mice/group.

*p<0.05 and **p<0.01