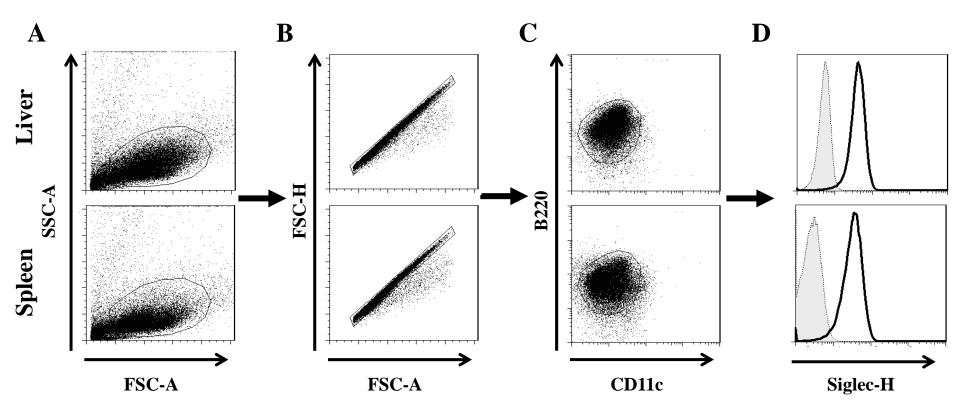
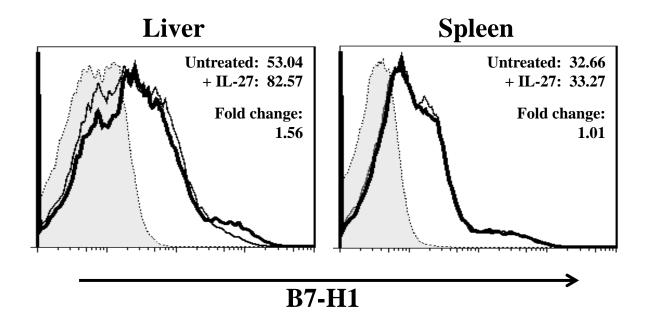
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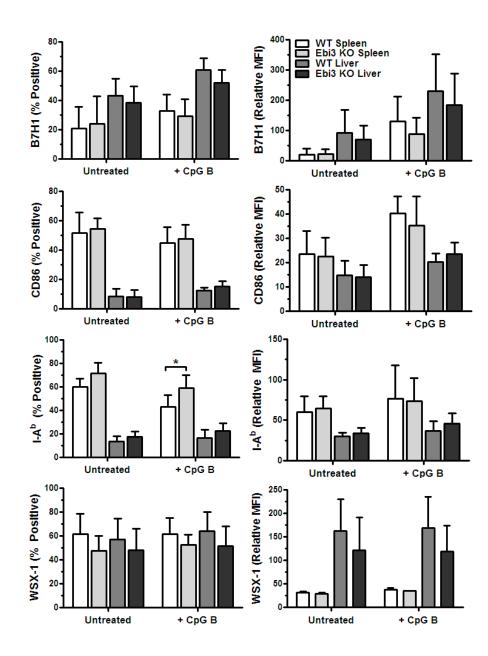
SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE 1. Gating strategy for flow cytometric analysis of PDCA-1⁺ immunobead-purified liver and spleen pDC. For identification of pDC, cells were stained using antibodies against B220 and CD11c. *A*, First, a live cell gate was made using forward (FSC) versus side (SSC) scatter plot. Cell doublets were excluded using (*B*) FSC-Height (H) versus FSC-Area (A). Analysis of surface molecule expression was analyzed on B220⁺CD11c^{low} cells (*C*), including the pDC-specific marker, Siglec-H (*D*).



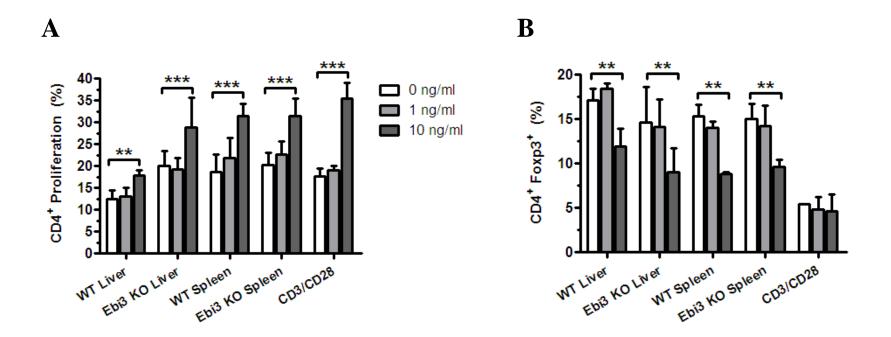
SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE 2. Histograms depicting B7-H1 expression at baseline and following exposure to IL-27. Freshly-isolated liver and spleen PDCA-1⁺ pDC from Flt3L-mobilized, C57BL/6J WT mice were cultured in the presence of 25 μg/ml CpG B ODN for 18 h, collected and analyzed by 5-color flow cytometry. Surface expression of B7-H1 was analyzed on B220⁺CD11c^{low} gated cells as previously described in Materials in Methods. Relative MFI of untreated (thin line) and IL-27-conditioned (bold line) liver and spleen pDC is shown, along with the fold change in B7-H1 MFI following exposure to IL-27.

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SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE 3. Ebi3-/- pDC are phenotypically similar to WT pDC in the steady state and following TLR9 stimulation. Freshly-isolated liver and spleen PDCA-1+ pDC from Flt3L-mobilized, WT or Ebi3-/- mice were cultured in the presence of 1 μg/ml CpG B ODN for 18 h, collected and analyzed by 5-color flow cytometry. Surface protein expression was analyzed on B220+CD11clow gated cells (Suppl. Fig. 1) as previously described in Materials in Methods. Relative MFI and percent positive cells were average from 3 independent experiments, * p < 0.05.



Suppl. Fig. 4



SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE 4. Exogenous IL-27 directly enhances T cell proliferation and reduces Foxp3 expression when added directly to MLR. Freshly-isolated liver and spleen PDCA-1⁺ pDC from Flt3L-mobilized, C57BL/6J WT or Ebi3^{-/-} mice were cultured with allogeneic BALB/c splenic T cells in the absence (white bars) or presence of 1 (light gray bars) or 10 (dark gray bars) ng/ml IL-27 for 3 d. Cultures were harvested and analyzed by flow cytometry for proliferation by CFSE dilution (*A*) and Foxp3 expression (*B*). T cells were also stimulated with plate-bound anti-CD3 and soluble CD28 (*A-B*). Results are an average of n = 2 independent experiments, ** p < 0.01, *** p < 0.001.