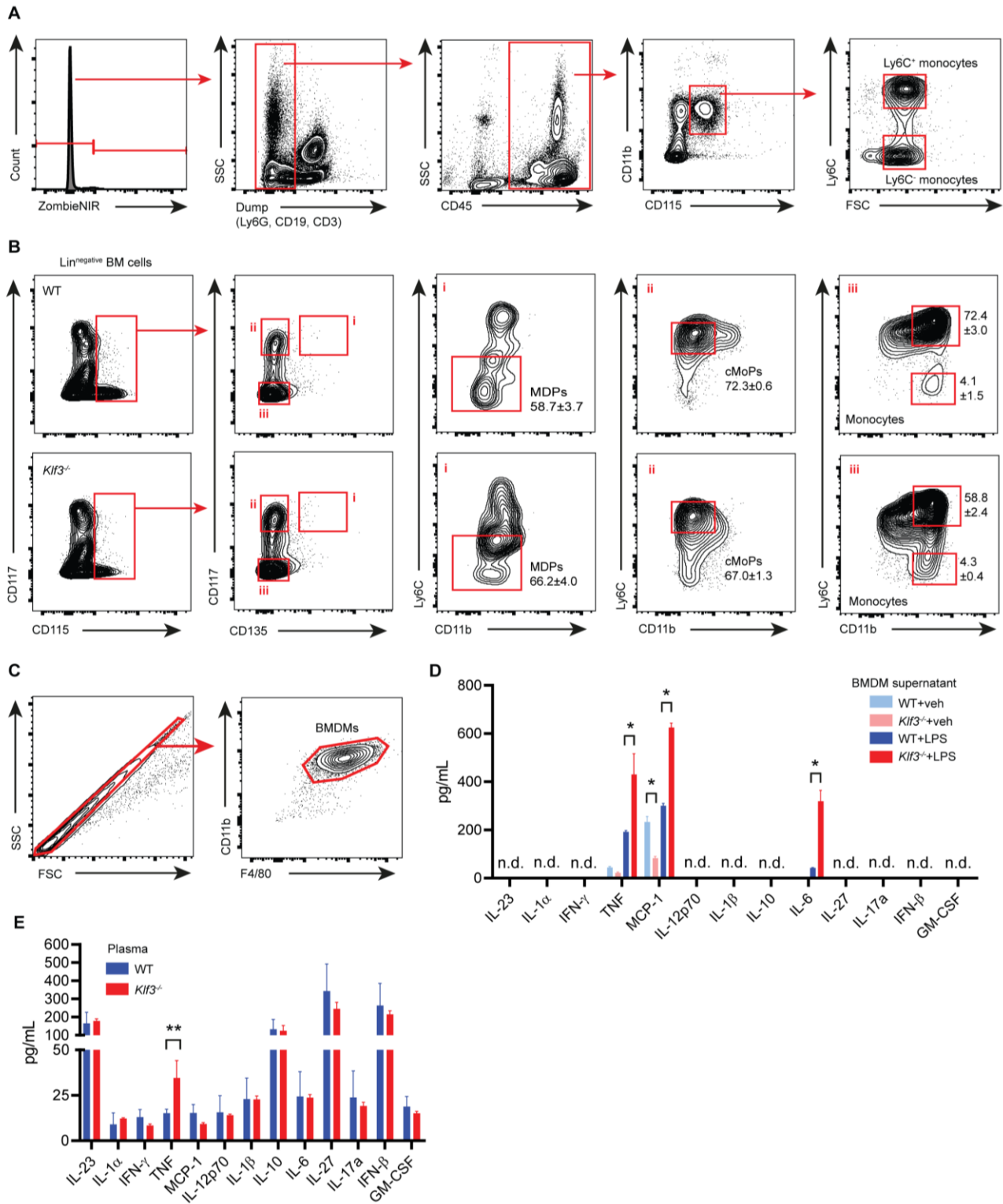
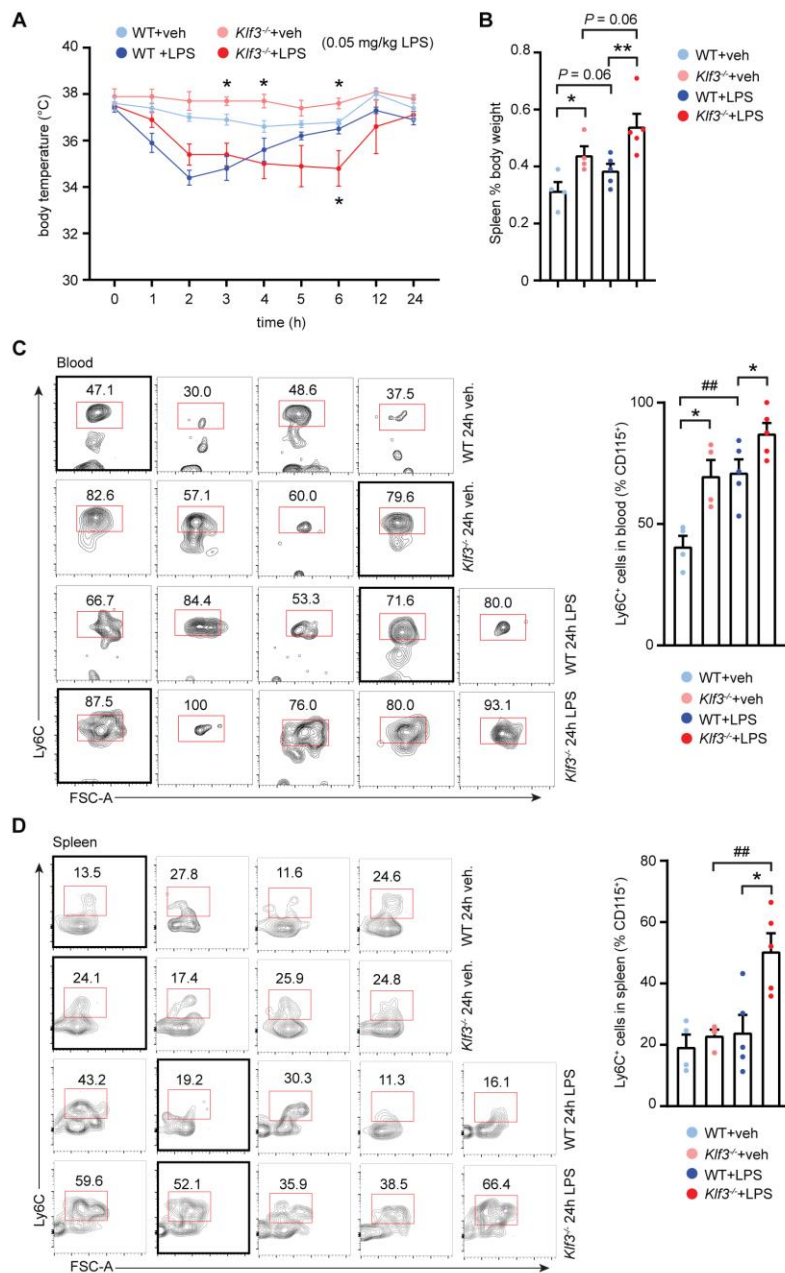


## Supporting Information



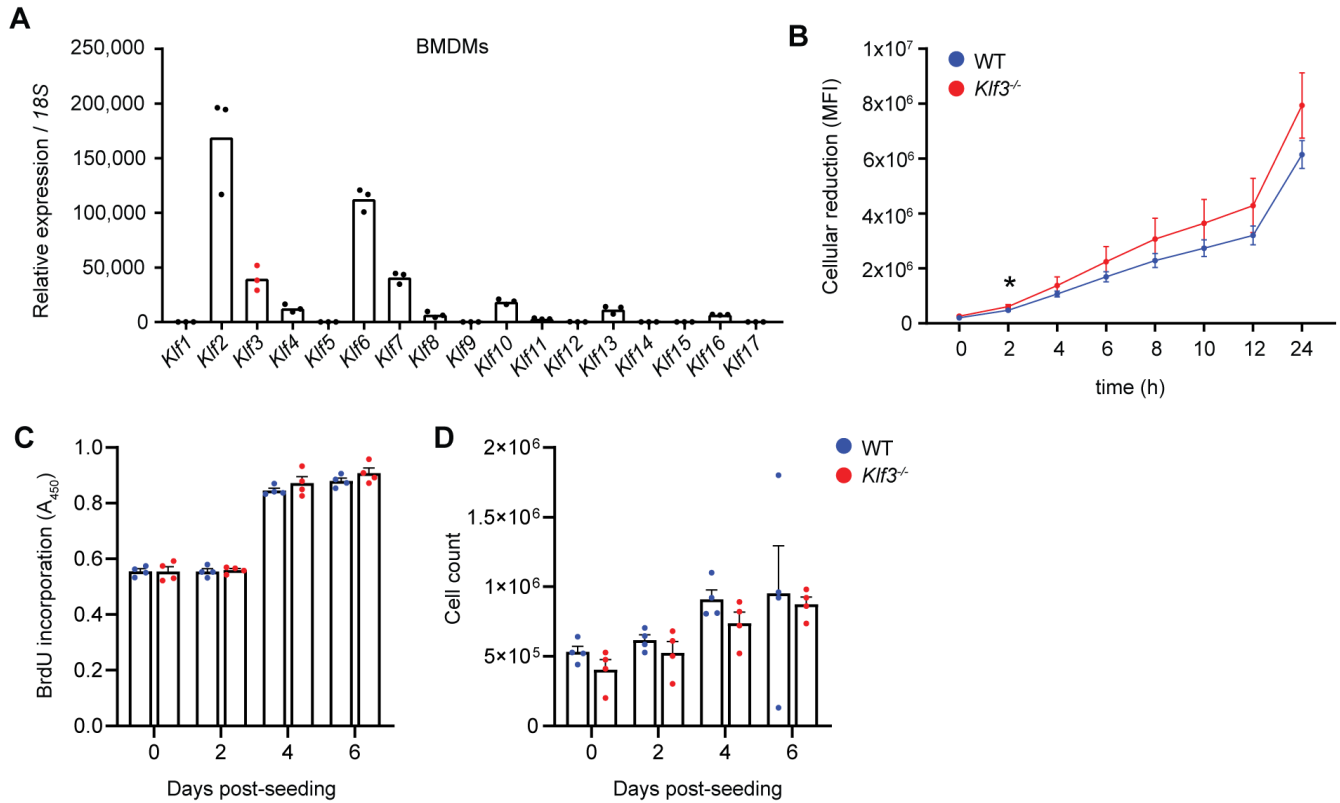
**Figure S1. Related to Figure 1. Pronounced systemic inflammation in the absence of KLF3.** (A) Gating strategy for identifying CD115<sup>+</sup> Ly6C<sup>+/-</sup> monocytes, defined as live (ZombieNIR<sup>-</sup>) Ly6G<sup>-</sup> CD3<sup>-</sup> CD19<sup>-</sup> CD45<sup>+</sup> CD11b<sup>+</sup>

CD115<sup>+</sup> Ly6C<sup>+/-</sup>. (B) Quantification of monocyte precursor populations in the bone marrow of WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> mice (n=4). Lineage exclusion was performed (Ter119<sup>-</sup> CD19<sup>-</sup> CD3<sup>-</sup> NK1.1<sup>-</sup> Ly6G<sup>-</sup> TCRδ<sup>-</sup>) on live single cells, upon which monocyte precursors were defined as CD117<sup>+/-</sup> and CD115<sup>+</sup>. This population was divided into three subsets based on expression of CD117 and CD135: (i) CD117<sup>+</sup> CD135<sup>+</sup> Ly6C<sup>-</sup> CD11b<sup>-</sup> macrophage-dendritic cell progenitors (MDPs), (ii) CD117<sup>+</sup> CD135<sup>-</sup> Ly6C<sup>+</sup> CD11b<sup>-</sup> common monocyte progenitors (cMoPs) and (iii) CD117<sup>-</sup> CD135<sup>-</sup> CD11b<sup>+</sup> Ly6C<sup>+/-</sup> monocytes. Plots are representative of four biological replicates and means±SEM are given as a percentage of parent population. (C) Gating strategy to confirm purity of CD11b<sup>+</sup> F4/80<sup>+</sup> BMDMs by flow cytometry. LEGENDplex kits were used to quantify inflammatory cytokines in (D) supernatants from WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> BMDMs treated with vehicle (veh) or 100 ng/mL LPS for 24 h (n=3 per genotype/treatment group) and in (E) WT (n=5) and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> (n=7) plasma. Error bars are representative of means±SEM. Non-parametric Mann-Whitney U tests were performed to assess significance between genotypes within the same condition for each cytokine tested, where \**P*<0.05 and \*\**P*<0.01. n.d: not detected.

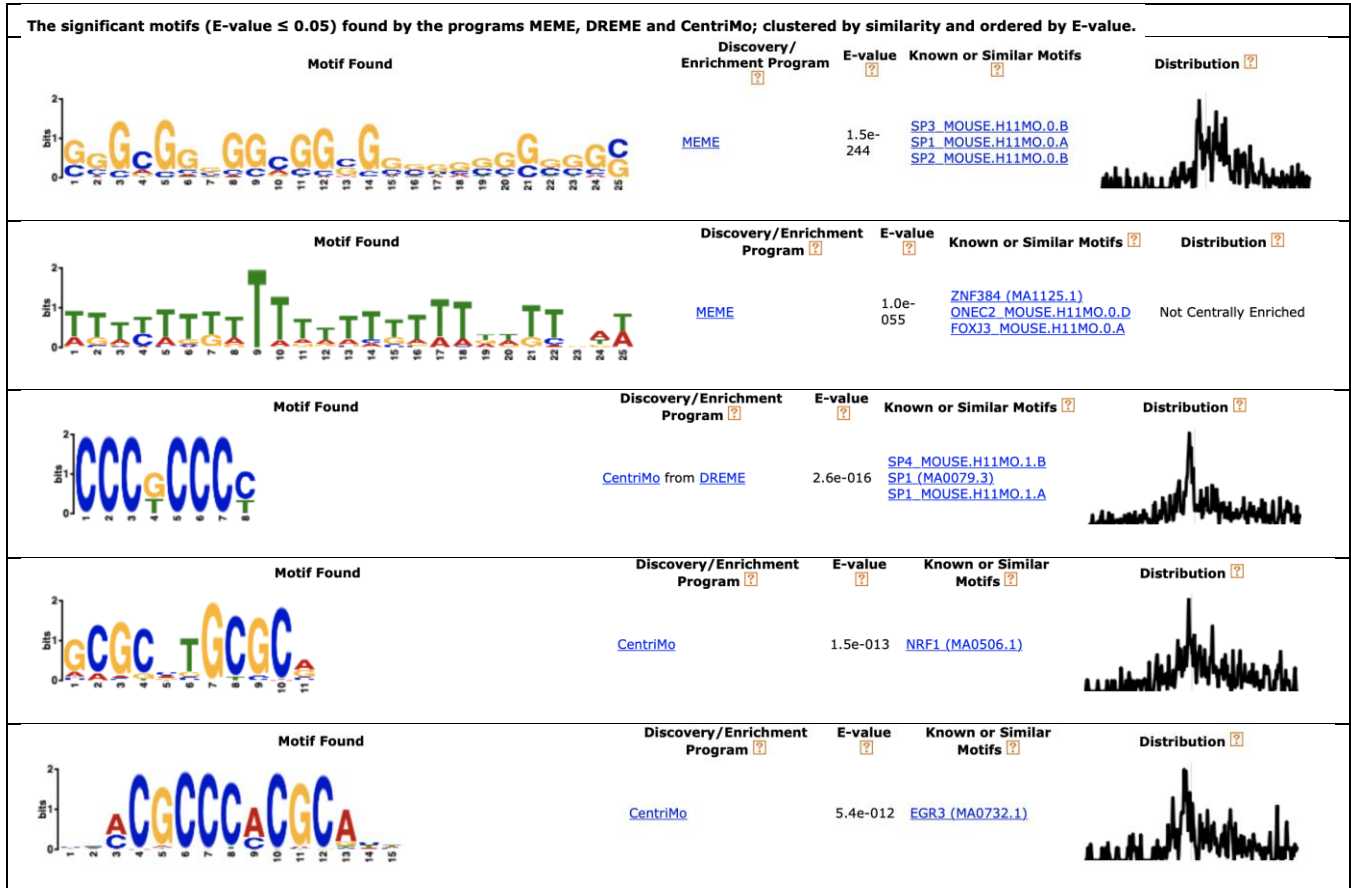


**Figure S2. Related to Figure 2. Mice lacking KLF3 show a heightened and prolonged inflammatory response to endotoxin treatment.** (A) WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> mice were intraperitoneally administered with vehicle (veh) or 0.05 mg/kg LPS and their body temperature was measured by rectal probing over 24 h, with error bars representative of SEM (veh: n=3 per genotype and LPS: n=6 per genotype). (B) Spleens were harvested from mice treated with 0.167 mg/kg LPS, then weighed. Error bars represent the means±SEM (veh: n=4 per genotype and LPS: n=5 per genotype). Ly6C<sup>+</sup> monocyte abundance in the (C) blood and (D) spleen of WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> mice given 0.167 mg/kg LPS or vehicle was measured by flow cytometry and all final gating plots shown. Abundances are shown as a percentage of the parent population, CD115<sup>+</sup> monocytes, and accompanying column graphs are shown with error bars representing the means±SEM. Representative median plots, outlined in bold, were used in Figure 2G-H. For (A-D), non-parametric Mann-Whitney U tests were performed to assess statistical significance where \**P*<0.05,

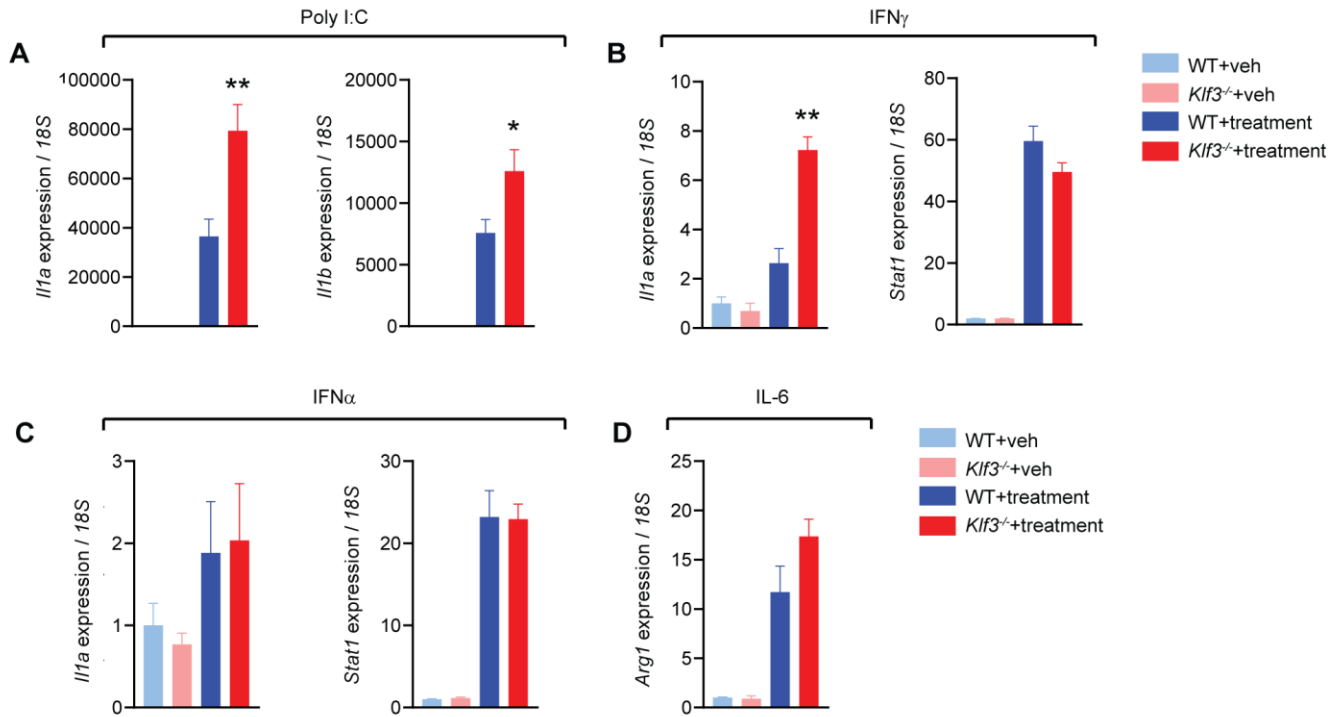
\*\* $P < 0.01$  between genotypes and ## $P < 0.01$  between conditions within the same genotype. FSC-A: forward scatter (area)



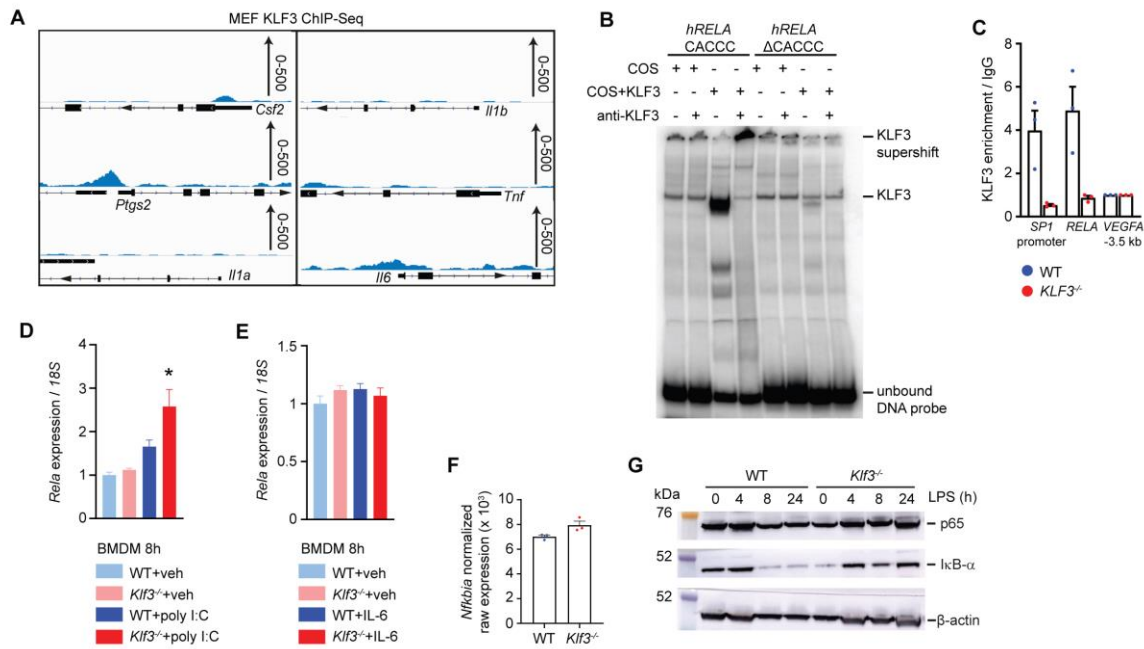
**Figure S3. Related to Figure 3. Macrophages lacking KLF3 exhibit enhanced inflammatory function.** (A) mRNA expression of all *Klf* family member genes was assessed in BMDMs using qPCR to determine the relative expression of *Klf3*, with values normalised to expression of *18S* rRNA levels. (B) AlamarBlue assays were conducted to assess the cellular reduction environment by measuring conversion of resazurin blue substrate in BMDMs over a 24 h period (n=8). (C) WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> BMDMs were seeded then BrdU incorporation assays performed at days 0, 2, 4 and 6. Absorbance readout was obtained at 450 nm to quantify BrdU incorporation of actively replicating cells (n=4). (D) BMDM growth rate was assessed by monitoring cell counts 0, 2, 4 and 6 days post-seeding (n=4). For (B-D), error bars are representative of means $\pm$ SEM of biological replicates, and non-parametric Mann-Whitney U tests were carried out where \* $P$ <0.05.



**Figure S4.** Related to Figure 4. The promoter regions of differentially expressed genes between WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> BMDMs treated with LPS for 8 h are enriched for Sp/KLF family binding sites. *De novo* motif discovery and known motif enrichment analysis using MEME-ChIP on differentially expressed genes from microarray analysis comparing WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> BMDMs treated with LPS for 8 h. The top 5 most highly enriched motifs and the transcription factors that are known to bind to these or similar motifs from the MEME-ChIP analysis are shown. The first and third most highly enriched motifs match known motifs for the Sp/KLF transcription factor family, which includes KLF3.

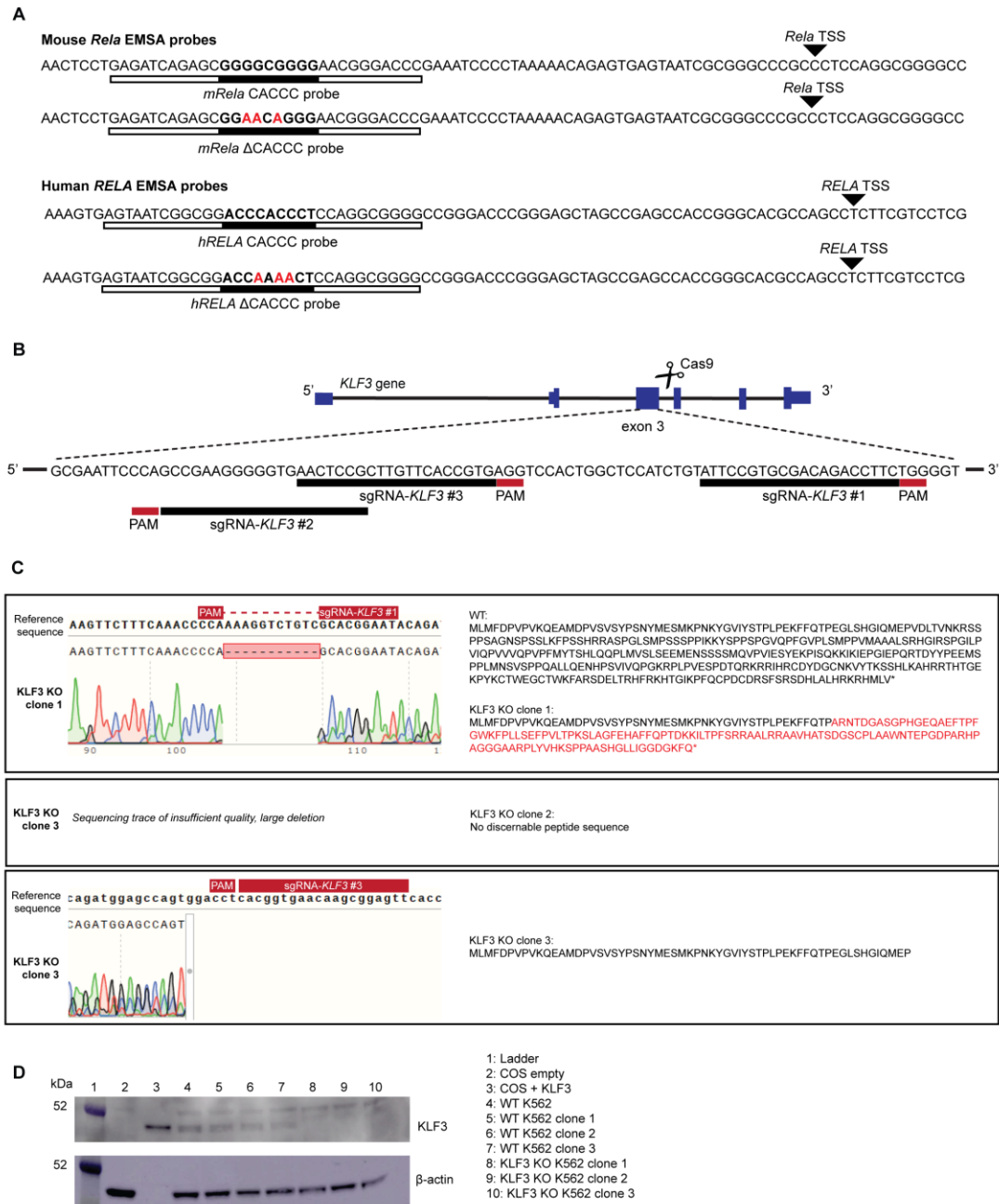


**Figure S5. Related to Figure 4. Stimulation of macrophages with ligands which trigger NF- $\kappa$ B-dependent or -independent inflammatory pathways suggests that the effect of KLF3 deficiency on gene expression is specific to the NF- $\kappa$ B pathway.** WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> BMDMs were treated for 8 h with vehicle or 10  $\mu$ g/mL poly I:C (A), 10 ng/mL IFN $\gamma$  (B), 10 ng/mL IFN $\alpha$  (C) and 10 ng/mL IL-6 (D). Gene expression was normalised to 18S rRNA levels and the WT vehicle set to 1. Error bars are representative of the means $\pm$ SEM of four biological replicates for each experiment. Non-parametric Mann Whitney U tests were carried out where \* $P$ <0.05 and \*\* $P$ <0.01.



**Figure S6. Related to Figure 5. KLF3 suppresses activation of NF- $\kappa$ B genes.** (A) KLF3-V5 ChIP-Seq in murine embryonic fibroblasts showing KLF3 enrichment at promoter regions cytokine genes deregulated in *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> BMDMs (Accession No. GSE44748) (35). (B) EMSA was used to detect KLF3 binding to a radiolabelled DNA probe comprised of the wild type (CACCCC) or mutated ( $\Delta$ CACCCC) human *RELA* promoter consensus sequence. Nuclear extracts from COS-7 cells over-expressing pMT3-Klf3 and untransfected COS-7 cells were used as positive and negative controls respectively. Polyclonal anti-KLF3 antibody ( $\alpha$ -KLF3) raised in rabbit was added to confirm the identity of bound protein as KLF3, labelled as a supershift band. Unbound radiolabelled DNA probe can be seen as an intense dark band at the bottom of the gel. (C) *In vivo* KLF3 binding at the human *RELA* promoter in WT and *KLF3*<sup>-/-</sup> K562 cells was performed using ChIP-qPCR (n=3 individual clonal populations per genotype). The *SPI1* promoter serves as a positive control region, where KLF3 is known to bind, and *VEGFA* is a negative control locus. Error bars represent means $\pm$ SEM. WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> BMDMs were treated for 8 h with vehicle (veh), 10  $\mu$ g/mL poly I:C (D) or 10 ng/mL IL-6 (E) and expression of *Rela* normalized to *18S* levels. The WT veh treatment was set to 1. For (D-E), error bars represent means $\pm$ SEM and non-parametric Mann-Whitney U tests were used to assess significance between genotypes under each condition where \* $P$ <0.05. (F) Normalized raw expression of *Nfkb1a* from microarrays in WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> BMDMs treated with 100 ng/mL LPS for 8 h (n=3). Error bars represent the means $\pm$ SEM. (G) Total cellular levels of the NF- $\kappa$ B p65 subunit (RELA) and I $\kappa$ B- $\alpha$  were measured in WT and *Klf3*<sup>-/-</sup> BMDMs following stimulation with 100 ng/mL LPS for 0-24 h. 20  $\mu$ g of whole cell extract was loaded per lane alongside a Rainbow Molecular Weight Marker (GE Healthcare). Membranes were probed with a monoclonal anti-p65 antibody (raised in rabbit, 65 kDa), monoclonal anti-I $\kappa$ B- $\alpha$  (raised in rabbit; ab32518) and anti- $\beta$ -actin antibody (raised in mouse; A1978).





**Figure S7. Related to Figure 5. KLF3 suppresses activation of NF- $\kappa$ B genes.** (A) EMSA probes designed to encompass the KLF3 binding site (CACCC box; bold) in the mouse and human *Rela/RELA* promoters, and mutated probes (mutated base pairs in red) to show loss of KLF3 binding. (B) The CRISPR/Cas9 *KLF3* knockout strategy, utilising three separate guide RNAs (sgRNA) to recruit Cas9 to cut at exon 3. (C) Sanger sequencing traces for *KLF3*<sup>-/-</sup> K562 clones compared to reference sequence, showing disruptions to the *KLF3* gene and peptide sequence. (D) Western blot showing the presence or absence of KLF3 (~48 kDa) in WT (lanes 5-7) and *KLF3*<sup>-/-</sup> (lanes 8-10) K562 nuclear extracts. Extracts from untransfected COS-7 cells (lane 2), COS-7 cells over-expressing pMT3-Klf3 (lane 3) and WT K562 cells (lane 4) were used as control lanes, and for testing the specificity of the polyclonal anti-KLF3 antibody (Thermo Fisher). Nitrocellulose membranes were probed for  $\beta$ -actin using an anti- $\beta$ -actin antibody (Sigma), and size determined with reference to a Rainbow Molecular Weight Marker (GE Healthcare; lane 1). TSS: transcription start site. PAM: proto-spacer adjacent motif. kDa: kilodaltons. COS: COS-7 cells.

**Table S1. Mammalian expression plasmids**

Plasmid name	Source	Application
pSpCas9(BB)-2A-GFP (PX458)	Feng Zhang (Addgene plasmid 48138)	CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing
pMT3- <i>Klf3</i>	Jose Perdomo, University of Sydney	<i>Klf3</i> over-expression in COS-7 cells

**Table S2. Oligonucleotides for CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing**

Oligo name	Sequence
<i>hKLF3</i> ex3 sgRNA#1 Fwd	CACCGATTCCGTGCGACAGACCTTC
<i>hKLF3</i> ex3 sgRNA#1 Rev	AAACGAAGGTCTGTTCGCACGGAATC
<i>hKLF3</i> ex3 sgRNA#2 Fwd	CACCGAACTCCGCTTGTTACCCGTG
<i>hKLF3</i> ex3 sgRNA#2 Rev	AAACCACGGTGAACAAGCGGAGTTC
<i>hKLF3</i> ex3 sgRNA#3 Fwd	CACCGCGGAGTTCACCCCCTTCGGC
<i>hKLF3</i> ex3 sgRNA#3 Rev	AAACGCCGAAGGGGGTGAAGTCCGC
<i>hKLF3</i> ex3 PCR Fwd/Sequencing	CTTATTTGGCTGTTGACACG
<i>hKLF3</i> ex3 PCR Rev	GGCAGATGAGTATTCCTTTG

**Table S3. EMSA probes**

Probe name	Sequence
CACCC sense	TAGAGCCACACCCTGGTAAG
CACCC antisense	CTTACCAGGGTGTGGCTCTA
<i>mRela</i> CACCC sense	GAGATCAGAGCGGGGCGGGGAACGGGACCC
<i>mRela</i> CACCC antisense	GGGTCCCCTTCCCCGCCCGCTCTGATCTC
<i>mRela</i> ΔCACCC sense	GAGATCAGAGCGGAACAGGGGAACGGGACCC
<i>mRela</i> ΔCACCC antisense	GGGTCCCCTTCCCTGTTCCGCTCTGATCTC
<i>hRELA</i> CACCC sense	AGTAATCGGCGGACCCACCCTCCAGGCGGGG
<i>hRELA</i> CACCC antisense	CCCCGCCTGGAGGGTGGGTCCGCCGATTACT
<i>hRELA</i> ΔCACCC sense	AGTAATCGGCGGACCAAACTCCAGGCGGGG
<i>hRELA</i> ΔCACCC antisense	CCCCGCCTGGAGTTTTGGTCCGCCGATTACT

**Table S4. Quantitative real-time PCR primers**

<b>Oligo name</b>	<b>Sequence</b>
<i>18S</i> rRNA Fwd	CACGGCCGGTACAGTGAAAC
<i>18S</i> rRNA Rev	AGAGGAGCGAGCGACCAA
<i>mKlf1</i> Fwd	AGACTGTCTTACCCTCCATCAGTACA
<i>mKlf1</i> Rev	CCGCCACCACTTGAGGAA
<i>mKlf2</i> Fwd	ACCAAGAGCTCGCACCTAAA
<i>mKlf2</i> Rev	TCCTTCCCAGTTGCAATGAT
<i>mKlf3</i> exon 4/5 Fwd	GAAATGTCACCCCCTTTAATGAAC
<i>mKlf3</i> exon 4/5 Rev	CACGATGACGGAAGGATGGT
<i>mKlf3</i> exon 1b Fwd	AGAAATAATTGATGAGAGGCACAGATT
<i>mKlf3</i> exon 1b Rev	ATGTCTGGCCTCACTCTTCCA
<i>mKlf4</i> Fwd	GTGGCAAACCTATACCAAGAGTTC
<i>mKlf4</i> Rev	GGTAGTGCCTGGTCAGTTCATC
<i>mKlf5</i> Fwd	CCGGAGACGATCTGAAACAC
<i>mKlf5</i> Rev	GGAGCTGAGGGGTCAGATACTT
<i>mKlf6</i> Fwd	CACATCAGCGCACTCACACA
<i>mKlf6</i> Rev	CAAAACGCCACTCACAACCTT
<i>mKlf7</i> Fwd	TCCCCTTAAAGGCCACC
<i>mKlf7</i> Rev	TGTGTGTTTCCTGTAGTGCC
<i>mKlf8</i> Fwd	TGGTTCGATGCAGGTATTCA
<i>mKlf8</i> Rev	GGGGCATGTTGAAATCACTC
<i>mKlf9</i> Fwd	ATACAGGTGAACGGCCCTTT
<i>mKlf9</i> Rev	TCACTCCTCATGAAGCGCTT
<i>mKlf10</i> Fwd	GCAGCCAACCATGCTCAAC
<i>mKlf10</i> Rev	CCCCTCTCTGGGCTTTTCAG
<i>mKlf11</i> Fwd	ACTCTGTGTATAACTCCTCCTCA
<i>mKlf11</i> Rev	CAGTGACCATGCATCCTTTG
<i>mKlf12</i> Fwd	CGCCCTTGAGAACAGAATGC
<i>mKlf12</i> Rev	GGGTAGTTGTGGACGTTTGGA

<i>mKlf13</i> Fwd	CGAGAAAGTTTACGGGAAATCTTC
<i>mKlf13</i> Rev	CAGGCGAAAGGCCTCTCA
<i>mKlf14</i> Fwd	TCCATGGACCGGTTCCAT
<i>mKlf14</i> Rev	AGAGCCACAGACAGCGGTTAG
<i>mKlf15</i> Fwd	TACACCAAGAGCAGCCACCT
<i>mKlf15</i> Rev	AACTCATCTGAGCGGGAAAA
<i>mKlf16</i> Fwd	TCACACCTGCGGACTCACA
<i>mKlf16</i> Rev	CAGAACGGGCGAACTTCTTG
<i>mKlf17</i> Fwd	GCAGGACAATAAGGAACAGGC
<i>mKlf17</i> Rev	AAGTATTGAGTGGCTGGTGG
<i>mTnf</i> Fwd	GCCACCACGCTCTTCTGTCT
<i>mTnf</i> Rev	GCCATAGAACTGATGA
<i>mI16</i> Fwd	AAAGCCAGAGTCCTTCAGAGAGATAC
<i>mI16</i> Rev	CTGTTAGGAGAGCATTGGAAATTG
<i>mCsf2</i> Fwd	TTGGAAGCATGTAGAGGCCA
<i>mCsf2</i> Rev	CGGGTCTGCACACATGTTAG
<i>mI1a</i> Fwd	ACAGTTCTGCCATTGACCATC
<i>mI1a</i> Rev	CCTTGAAGGTGAAGTTGGACA
<i>mI1b</i> Fwd	TGTAATGAAAGACGGCACACC
<i>mI1b</i> Rev	TCTTCTTTGGGTATTGCTTGG
<i>mPtgs2</i> Fwd	GAACAACATCCCCTTCCTGC
<i>mPtgs2</i> Rev	AGAGGTTGGAGAAGGCTTCC
<i>mRela</i> Fwd	GCGAATCCAGACCAACAATAAC
<i>mRela</i> Rev	CTGTCACCTGGAAGCAGAG
<i>mArg1</i> Fwd	CTCCAAGCCAAAGTCCTTAGAG
<i>mArg1</i> Rev	AGGAGCTGTTCATTAGGGACATC
<i>mStat1</i> Fwd	TCCCGTACAGATGTCCATGA
<i>mStat1</i> Rev	ACTTTACTGTCCAGCTCCTTCT
<i>mLgals3</i> positive control Fwd	TGGAAAAACACCCGTGCCTCTGA
<i>mLgals3</i> positive control Rev	CAGTGCCTACGCCAGATGACTC

<i>mRela</i> promoter Fwd	TGAGATCAGAGCGGGGCG
<i>mRela</i> promoter Rev	GGCCCGACTACAAGCTCC
<i>mKlf8</i> -4.5 kb negative control Fwd	GGTTTCTGAGACCTAACACTTCACACT
<i>mKlf8</i> -4.5 kb negative control Rev	CCATTTAGTCATCCAGCGAACAA
<i>hSPI</i> promoter Fwd	ACCTCTCCGCCCACTAGGA
<i>hSPI</i> promoter Rev	CAACGGCCAACCAGAATCC
<i>hVEGFA</i> -3.5 kb Fwd	ACTGGGTCTTGCTGTTTTCC
<i>hVEGFA</i> -3.5 kb Rev	TTCAGGCTGTGAACCTTGG
<i>hRELA</i> promoter Fwd	TTTAGCTGGAGAGGGACGAG
<i>hRELA</i> promoter Rev	CCTGACAGTGCATCAAGAGC

**Table S5. Antibodies**

Antibody name	Raised in	Supplier/Product#	Application
Mouse monoclonal $\beta$ -actin clone AC-15	Mouse	Sigma A1978	Western blotting (1:20,000)
Mouse/human monoclonal anti-NF- $\kappa$ B/p65 clone C22B4	Rabbit	Cell Signalling Technology #4764	Western blotting (1:1,000)
Mouse monoclonal anti-I $\kappa$ B $\alpha$ clone E130	Rabbit	Abcam ab32518	Western blotting (1:500)
ECL <sup>TM</sup> anti-mouse IgG		GE Healthcare NA931	Western blotting (1:10,000-20,000)
ECL <sup>TM</sup> anti-rabbit IgG		GE Healthcare NA934	Western blotting (1:10,000)
Mouse/human polyclonal anti-KLF3	Goat	Thermo Fisher Pierce PA5-18030	Western blotting (1:1,000) ChIP (15 $\mu$ g per IP)
Normal goat IgG		Santa Cruz SC-2028	ChIP (15 $\mu$ g per IP)
Mouse polyclonal anti-KLF3	Rabbit	Homemade	EMSA
Anti-mouse CD16/32 Fc block clone 2.4G2	Rat	BD Pharmingen 553141	Flow cytometry (1:25)
FITC anti-mouse CD11b clone M1/70	Rat	BD Pharmingen 557396	Flow cytometry (1:100)
BUV395 anti-mouse CD115 clone T38-320	Rat	BD Optibuild 743642	Flow cytometry (1:50)

Biotin anti-mouse CD115 clone AFS98	Rat	eBioscience 13-1152-82	Flow cytometry (1:20)
BV711 Streptavidin		BD Horizon 563262	Flow cytometry (1:100)
APC anti-mouse CD19 clone 1D3	Rat	eBioscience 17-0193-80	Flow cytometry (1:20)
APC anti-mouse CD3 clone 145-2C11	Rat	BD Pharmingen 553066	Flow cytometry (1:20)
APC anti-mouse Ly6G clone 1A8	Rat	BD Pharmingen 560599	Flow cytometry (1:20)
BV421 anti-mouse Ly6C clone AL-21	Rat	BD Horizon 562727	Flow cytometry (1:33)
PE anti-mouse CD45 clone 30-F11	Rat	BD Pharmingen 553081	Flow cytometry (1:100)
PE/Cy5 anti-mouse F4/80 clone BM8	Rat	eBioscience 15-4801-80	Flow cytometry (1:100)
APC anti-mouse CD135 clone A2F10.1	Rat	BD Biosciences 560718	Flow cytometry (1:100)
PE anti-mouse CD117 clone 2B8	Rat	BD Pharmingen 561075	Flow cytometry (1:100)
Biotin anti-mouse Ter119 clone Ter-119	Rat	BD Biosciences 553672	Flow cytometry (1:200)
Biotin anti-mouse CD19 clone 1D3	Rat	BD Pharmingen 553784	Flow cytometry (1:200)
Biotin anti-mouse CD3 clone 145-2C11	Armenian hamster	eBioscience 13-0031-82	Flow cytometry (1:200)
Biotin anti-mouse NK1.1 clone PK136	Mouse	eBioscience 13-5941-82	Flow cytometry (1:200)
Biotin anti-mouse Ly6G clone	Rat	BD Pharmingen 553124	Flow cytometry (1:200)
Biotin anti-mouse TCR $\gamma\delta$ clone GL3	Armenian hamster	eBioscience 13-5711-82	Flow cytometry (1:200)
PE-CF594 Streptavidin		BD Biosciences 562318	Flow cytometry (1:300)