

Additional file 3: Figure S2. The mRNA expression of cytokines in fucoidan-treated macrophages. The expression of inflammatory cytokines IL-6 (a), IL-12 (b), TNF- $\alpha$  (c), IL-4 (d) and IL-13 (e) were evaluated by RT-PCR. The expression level of each gene was standardized to the GAPDH mRNA levels in macrophages treated with PBS. Results are presented using the 2<sup>- $\Delta\Delta$ Ct</sup> method. Data are expressed as the mean  $\pm$  SD for each group, and all experiments were performed twice with similar results. \**P*<0.05, \*\**P*<0.01, \*\*\**P*<0.001 (Student's t-test).