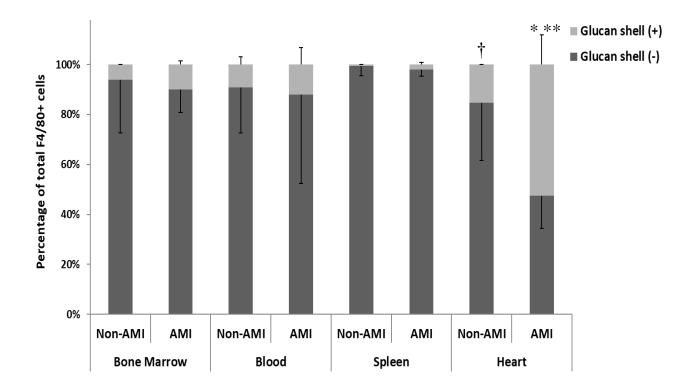
SUPPLEMENTARY DATA



SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. S2. Percentage of total macrophages with ingested GeRPs in various organs. Empty GeRP particles were injected into hearts with acute myocardial infarcts (AMI) or into normal ventricles (non-AMI). CD11b+/F4/80+ macrophage populations in whole hearts, bone marrow, peripheral blood, and spleen were assessed by flow cytometry at 7 days following infarction and injection. Those with phagocytosed GeRPs were identified by the FITC-labeled β-glucan shell. Populations of GeRP-containing macrophages were significantly greater in infarcted hearts than in non-infarcted hearts, and greater than the small numbers of GeRP-containing macrophages that had trafficked to extracardiac sites. Even in the absence of infarction, GeRP-containing macrophages were significantly greater in hearts than in extracardiac sites, demonstrating low levels of dissemination of intra-cardiac macrophages after phagocytosis of GeRPs delivered into the myocardium.

^{*} p < 0.01 infarcted hearts vs. non-infarcted hearts

^{**}p < 0.0001 vs. all extracardiac sites in animals with infarcts

[†] p < 0.03 vs. all extracardiac sites in animals without infarcts