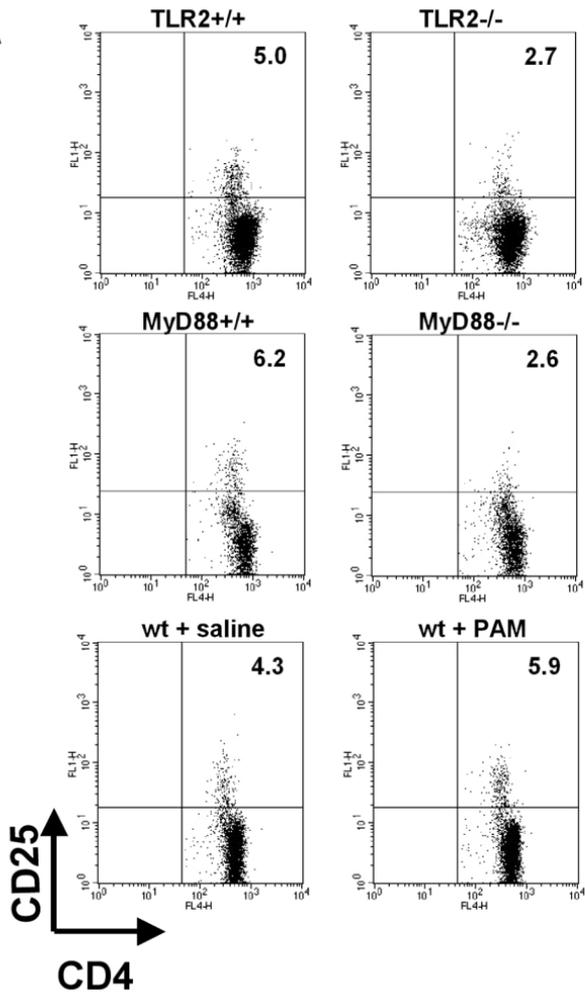
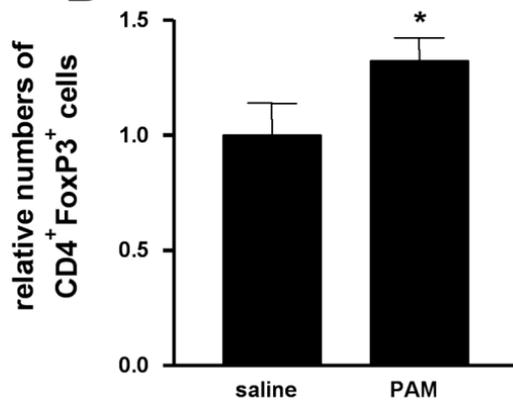
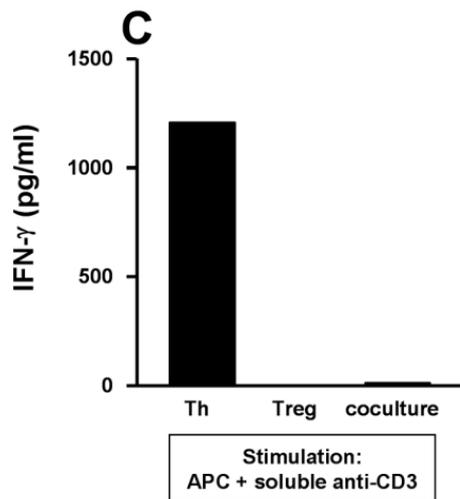
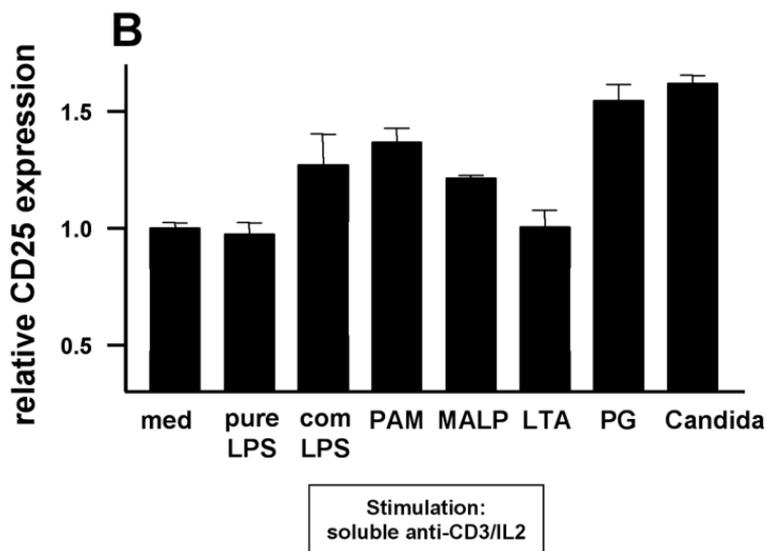
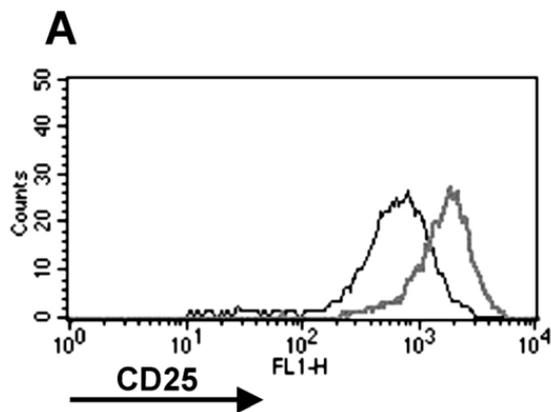
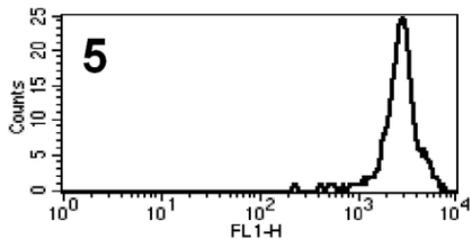


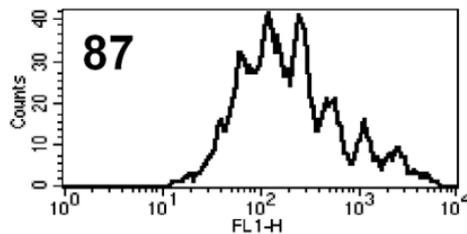
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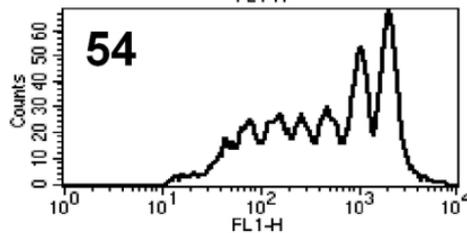
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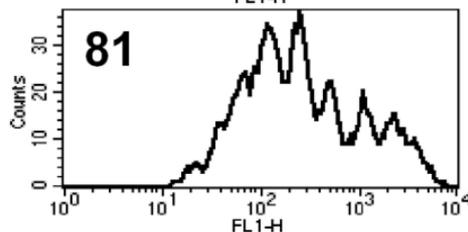
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no Treg added



Treg in culture



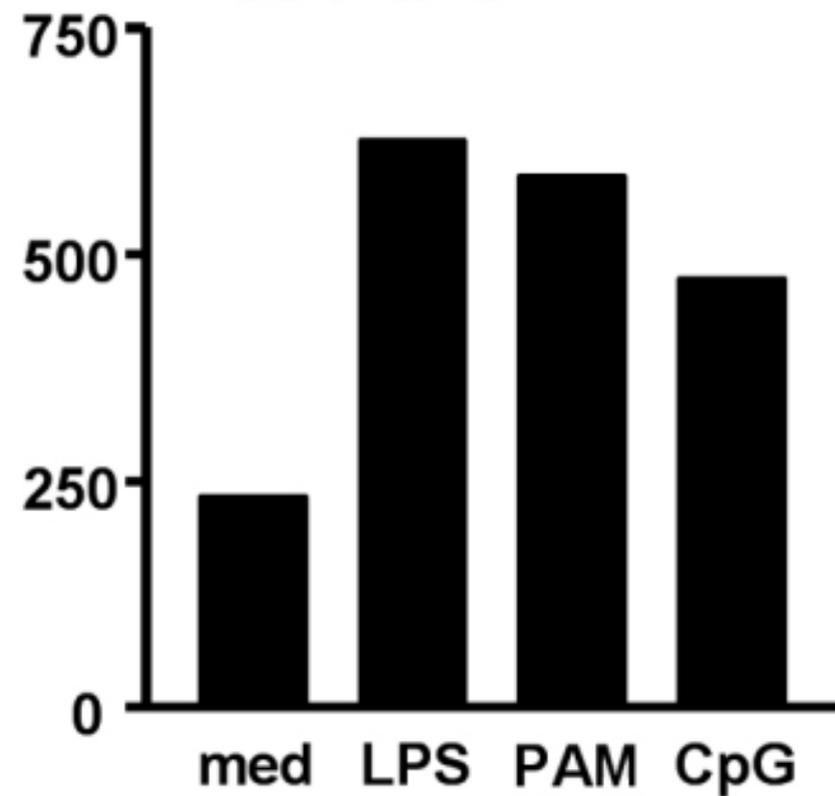
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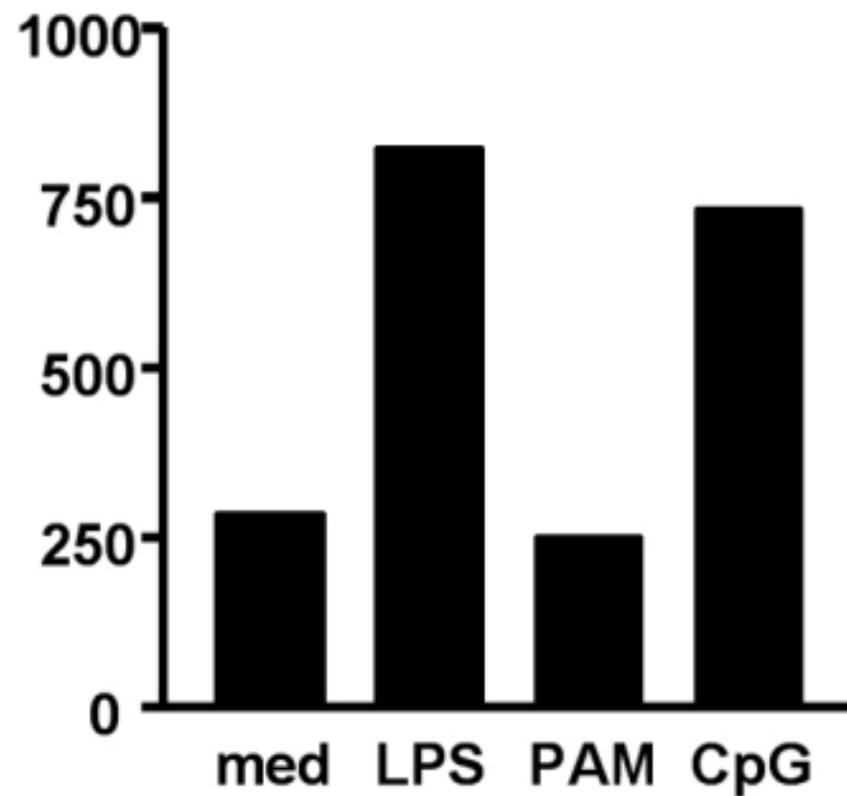
Stimulation:
Irradiated APC + soluble anti-CD3

CD86 expression (MFI)

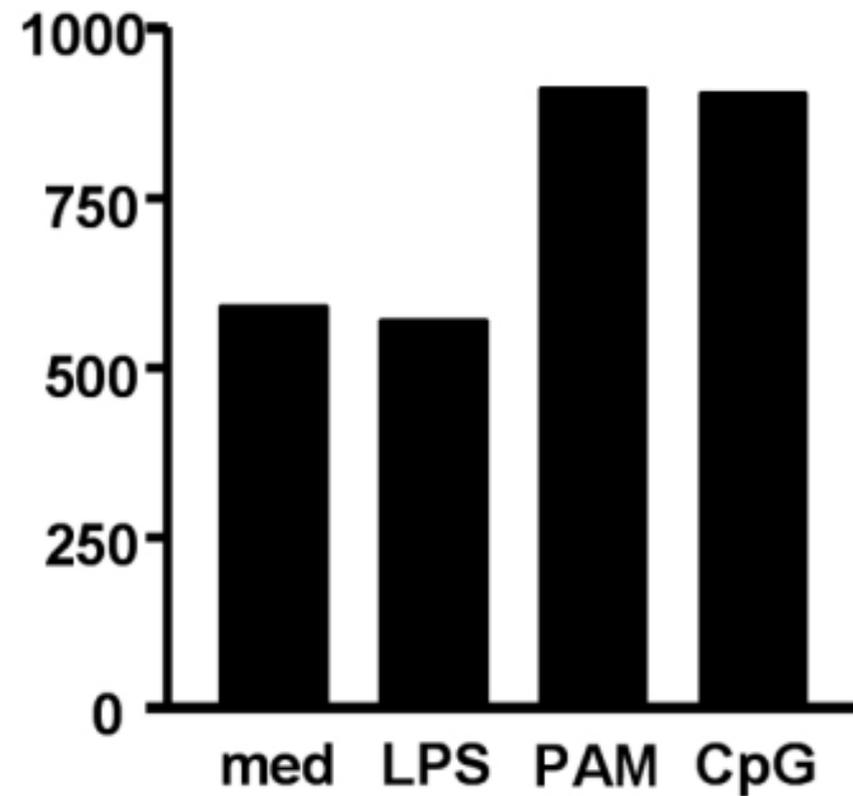
WT DC



TLR2-/- DC



TLR4-/- DC



Supplementary figure 1

TLR2-signaling modulates CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cell numbers.

(A) Blood from TLR2^{-/-}, MyD88^{-/-} and their wildtype littermate controls as well as from PAM-challenged mice was analyzed by flow cytometry for CD4 and CD25 expressing cells. Values in the upper-right quadrant indicate the percentage CD4⁺CD25⁺ T cells from the total number of CD4⁺ T cells. Data are representative of three independent experiments with four mice per group

(B) PAM induces an increase in FoxP3⁺ cells in the periphery. Mice (four per group) were challenged i.p. with 20 µg PAM and two days later the percentage of CD4⁺FoxP3⁺ T cell of the total CD4⁺ T cells in the blood was determined by flowcytometry. Data indicate the average relative increase with saline control set at 1. (*= P < 0.05 for saline control compared with PAM treated group)

Supplementary figure 2

(A) Example of CD25 expression by freshly isolated regulatory T cells incubated for three days in medium with anti-CD3/IL-2 (thin line) or supplemented with TLR2 ligand PAM (thick gray line). (B) Effect of different TLR ligands on Treg activation. PAM-expanded Treg cells were cultured with anti-CD3, IL2 and the indicated TLR ligand (10 µg/ml purified LPS, 10 µg/ml commercial LPS, 2 µg/ml PAM, 2µg/ml MALP-2, 10µg/ml LTA, 10µg/ml Peptidoglycan (PG), and 2 x10⁵ heat-killed *Candida*/ml). The cells were incubated for three days and subsequently CD25 expression was analyzed by flow cytometry. Representative results from two experiments are shown. (C) In vitro suppression assay: PAM-expanded Treg were rested for at least six days in the absence of TLR-ligands and subsequently cocultured for three days with 10⁴ fresh naïve CD4⁺ T-cells, irradiated APC and anti-CD3. After three days, IFN-γ production was measured in the supernatant using the murine inflammation CBA kit.

Supplementary figure 3

PAM-Treg suppression is cell-contact dependent. Transwell suppression assay: 10^6 Freshly isolated CFSE labeled $CD4^+$ Th cells were incubated with 10^6 irradiated APC and $1\mu\text{g/ml}$ anti-CD3 per well of a 24-wells plate. If indicated 10^6 PAM expanded Treg and 10^6 irradiated APC were added in the culture with the fresh Th cells or in the upper-chamber of the transwell (pore size $0.4\mu\text{m}$). After four days of culture, CFSE fluorescence was measured by flowcytometry. The value indicates the percentage of cells in the proliferative fraction.

Supplementary figure 4

TLR-ligand induced activation of mouse bone marrow derived DC of wildtype, TLR2^{-/-} and TLR4^{-/-} origin. Day 7 bone marrow derived DC were incubated for 24 hours with the indicated TLR ligands and subsequently the expression of activation marker CD86 was measured by flow cytometry. A representative result from two experiments is shown.