**Supplementary Figure 6** Lack of IL-12 and IFN-α induction by siRNA in C57BL/6 mice. (a) Plasma IL-12(p40) and (b) IFN-α levels in female C57BL/6 mice. 2.5 mg/kg of nucleic acid was injected by high-pressure (10% vol/wt) and plasma was collected 2 h post-injection. The average of three replicate mice is presented and error bars represent one standard deviation. [* denotes $P < 0.005$ vs. all other treatment groups]