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898 Figure S1. Raw experimental data to test the multi-scale B-cell model. (A) Immunoblot from experiments with 600K founder B-cells show nuclear ReIA, cReI, and p52 levels at 0, 7, 24, 48, 899 and 72hrs after stimulation with low α-CD40 (1µg/mL), high α-CD40 (10µg/mL), or costimulation 900 901 with high α -CD40 and α -IgM (10µg/mL). (B) Line graph of live B-cell count (fold-change) for each timepoint in (A), to which the samples are adjusted when loading to the gel. The cell count 902 903 fluctuation is due to cell death, cell division, and technical error when transferring cells. (C) Cell 904 Trace Far Red (CTFR) dye dilution fluorescence histogram for B-cells stimulated with (from left to right) low (1µg/mL), medium (3.3µg/mL), and high (10µg/mL) dose of α -CD40 and 905 906 costimulation of high α -CD40 and α -IgM (10 μ g/mL). There is a baseline shift in CTFR fluorescence by about 2-fold from 24hrs to 120hrs (dotted line), which we adjusted when 907 908 deconvolving the cells into each generation. (D) Deconvolution of the time courses in (C) into 909 each generation, where the red line indicates the center of the undivided population of cells, the 910 blue lines indicate individual proliferation peaks, and the green line represents the model sum. 911

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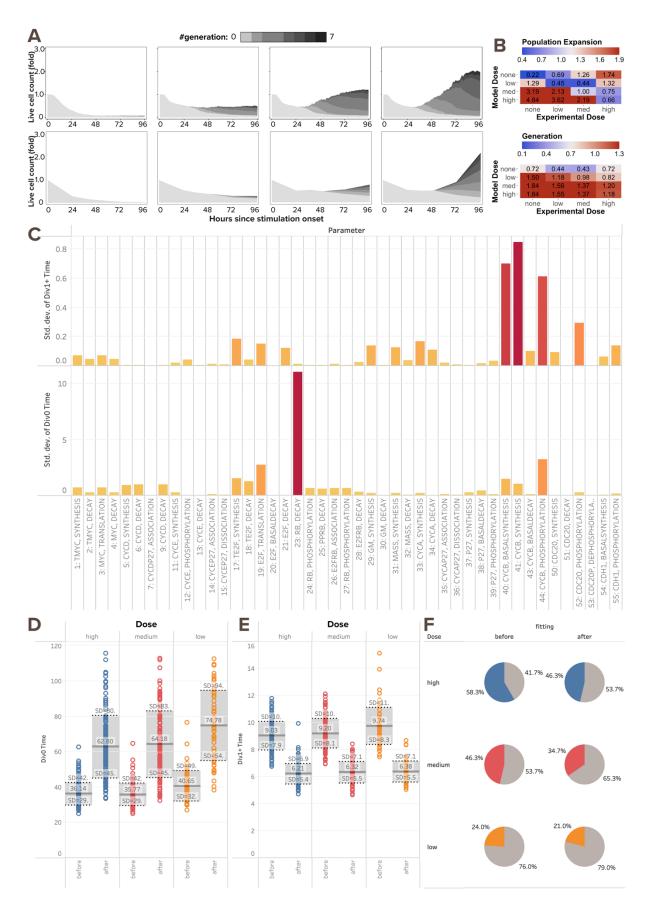
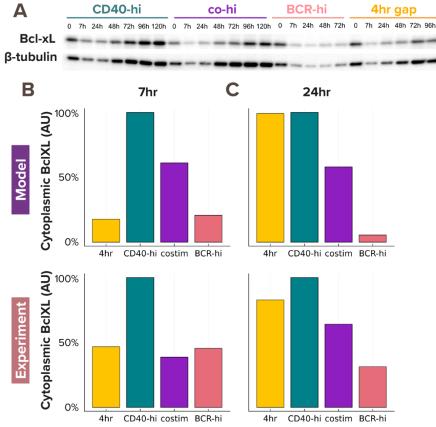


Figure S2. Multi-scale model needs tuning to recapitulate B-cell population dynamics in response to CD40 stimulation.

(A) Stacked area plots from model simulations of 1000 virtual B-cells (top) and matching 916 917 experiments with 19196 founder B-cells (bottom) show their population dynamics in response to stimulation with (from left to right) no (0nM and 0ug/mL), low (6nM and 1ug/mL), medium (12nM 918 and 3.3µg/mL), and high (30nM and 10µg/mL) dose of α -CD40. Each subsequent generation of 919 920 proliferating cells is indicated with a darker gray. (B) Heatmap shows RMSD of relative 921 population size expansion (top) and generation composition (bottom) in matching (diagonal) or 922 mismatching (off-diagonal) model-and-experiment pairs. Some model doses (medium and low) 923 are more deviated from their matching than mismatching experimental doses (high and medium, respectively), indicating a subpar fit. (C) Bar graph from local sensitivity analysis of parameters 924 925 in the cell cycle module shows their standard deviations in time to first division (Tdiv0) and time 926 to later divisions (Tdiv1+). Local sensitivity analysis is achieved by repetitive simulations that 927 independently scaling each parameter in the cell cycle module by 0.2, 0.33, 0.4, 0.5, 0.66, 1.0, 928 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0, or 5.0-fold. 2 out of 55 parameters stand out as the best candidates for tuning 929 Tdiv0 and Tdiv1+: retinoblastoma (Rb) decay rate and cyclin B (CycB) synthesis rate, 930 respectively. These parameters were tuned in order to achieve a later and more dose-931 responsive Tdiv0, shorter Tdiv1+, and smaller divider percentage. (D) Box plots from model 932 simulations of 300 virtual B-cells show the mean Tdiv0 increases for all doses after parameter 933 tuning. (E) Box plots from model simulations of 300 virtual B-cells show the mean Tdiv1+ 934 decreases for all doses after parameter tuning. (F) Pie charts from model simulations of 300 935 virtual B-cells show the percentage of dividing cells (colored slices) out of all founder cells 936 decreases for all doses, while maintaining CD40 dose-responsiveness. Grey slices are the non-937 dividing founder cells that either die or survive without division. 938

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9404hrCD40-hi costimBCR-hi4hrCD40-hi costimBCR-hi941Figure S3. Model-simulated cytoplasmic BcIXL level recapitulates experimental results.

942 **(A)** Immunoblot from experiments with 600K founder B-cells show cytoplasmic Bcl-xL and β -943 tubulin levels in response to stimulation with (from left to right) high (10µg/mL) dose of α -CD40, 944 high α -CD40 and high α -BCR, high α -BCR, and sequential stimulation of high α -BCR and high

945 α-BCR with a 4hr delay. (B-C) Bar graphs from model simulations (top) and experiments

946 (bottom) show consistent max-normalized quantification of cytoplasmic Bcl-xL level at **(B)** 7hrs 947 and **(C)** 24hrs.

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949 MATERIALS AND METHODS

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952 Key Resources Table

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER	
Antibodies			
Rabbit polyclonal anti- RelA	Santa Cruz Biotechnologies	sc-372; RRID: AB_632037	
Rabbit polyclonal anti-cRel	Santa Cruz Biotechnologies	sc-71; RRID: AB_2253705	
Rabbit polyclonal anti-p50	Santa Cruz Biotechnologies	sc-114; RRID: AB_632034	
Mouse monoclonal anti- Bcl-xL	Santa Cruz Biotechnologies	sc-8392; RRID: AB_626739	
Rabbit polyclonal anti-p84	Abcam	ab131268	
Mouse monoclonal anti-β- tubulin	Sigma Aldrich	T5201; RRID: AB_609915	
HRP Anti-mouse secondary	Cell Signaling Technology	7076; RRID: AB_330924	
HRP Anti-rabbit secondary	Cell Signaling Technology	7074; RRID: AB_2099233	
CD40 monoclonal antibody (IC10)	Invitrogen	16-0401-86; RRID: AB_468940	
Goat anti-mouse IgM	Jackson ImmunoResearch	115-066-020; RRID: AB_2338579	
Chemicals, Peptides, and	Recombinant Proteins		
Recombinant murine IL-4	PeproTech	214-14	
Critical Commercial Assa	ys		
CellTrace™ Far Red Proliferation Kit	ThermoFisher Scientific	C34564	
SuperSignal West	ThermoFisher Scientific	34095, 34580	
Experimental Models: Org	-		
Mouse: C57BL/6	The Jackson Laboratory	JAX: 000664; RRID: IMSR_JAX:000664	
Software and Algorithms			
FlowJo V10.8.1	FlowJo LLC	N/A	
FlowMax	Shokhirev et al., 2015 (Shokhirev and Hoffmann, 2013)	N/A	
Python v3.7.164-bit base:conda	Anaconda v3.0	N/A	

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER
ImageJ2 v2.9.0		N/A
Julia v1.9.3		N/A
R v4.2.0		N/A

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955 Mice

Mice were maintained in environmental control facilities at the University of California, Los
Angeles. Female C57BL/6 mice in each replicate experiment were littermates, and were 813 weeks old unless otherwise indicated. Animal work was performed according to University of
California, Los Angeles under approved protocols.

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961 **B cell isolation and culture**

962 Spleens were harvested from 8–13-week-old female C57BL/6 mice. Homogenized splenocytes 963 were incubated with anti-CD43 magnetic beads for 15 min at 4-8°C, washed with MACS buffer 964 and passed through an LS column (Miltenyi Biotech). The purity of B cells was assessed at >97% 965 based on B220 staining as described previously (Mitchell et al., 2018). Following isolation, B cells 966 were stimulated with anti-CD40 (H: 10ug/mL, M: 3.3ug/mL, L: 1ug/mL), IL-4 (H: 20ng/mL, M: 967 6.6ng/mL, L: 2ng/mL), and anti-IgM (H: 10ug/mL, L: 1ug/mL), unless otherwise specified, and 968 cultured for 4 days in fresh RPMI-based media at 37°C and 5% CO2. All anti-CD40 stimulation 969 conditions mentioned in the results are stimulated with both anti-CD40 and IL-4 at corresponding 970 doses.

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972 Immunoblot

973 Cells were harvested from culture plates, washed in 1mL PBS and counted on a CvtoFlex flow 974 cytometer (CytoFLEX, Beckman Coulter), prior to preparing lysates for protein content analysis. 975 Due to varying cell sizes and numbers over time as a result of growth and proliferation, an equal 976 number of cells (as opposed to equal protein amounts) per sample was analyzed in each 977 immunoblot. In cases where nuclear fractions were required to be separated, cells were first lysed 978 in CE buffer on ice, followed by vortexing and centrifugation, and the supernatant containing the 979 cytoplasmic fraction was removed. Nuclei were then lysed by 3 repeated freeze-thaw cycles 980 between 37C water and dry ice, followed by centrifugation to clear the lysate of nuclear debris, 981 after which the supernatant containing the nuclear fraction was harvested.

982 For immunoblotting, lysates were run on 4%–15% Criterion TGX pre-cast polyacrylamide gels (Bio-Rad), and transferred on to PVDF membranes using wet transfer. The following antibodies 983 984 were used to identify the proteins of interest: ReIA, cReI, BcI-xL, p84 (loading control for nuclear 985 lysates), and b-tubulin (loading control for cytoplasmic and whole cell lysates). Antibody details 986 are given in the Resources table, and concentrations used were 1:5,000 for RelA and cRel, 987 1:1,000 for Bcl-xL, 1:10,000 for p84, and 1:10,000 for b-tubulin. Protein bands were detected 988 using the Bio-Rad ChemiDoc XRS System, with a 10:1 mixture of the SuperSignal West Pico and 989 Femto Maximum Sensitivity Substrates (Thermo Scientific) applied to detect chemiluminescence 990 released by HRP-labeled secondary antibodies.

RelA, cRel, and Bcl-xL bands were quantified by measuring mean gray value using ImageJ2,
 deducting background value per lane (measured by a box of the same size directly below the
 target protein band), and normalizing intensities to the 0hr baseline.

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995 Media and buffer compositions

B cell media: RPMI 1650 (Gibco) supplemented with 100 IU Penicillin, 100 μg/ml Streptomycin, 5
 mM L-glutamine, 20 mM HEPES buffer, 1mM MEM non-essential amino acids, 1 mM Sodium

- 998 pyruvate, 10% FBS, and 55 µM 2-Mercaptoethanol.
- 999 MACS buffer: Phosphate buffered saline, (pH 7.4) and 2% bovine serum albumin.
- 1000 CE Buffer: 50 mM HEPES-KOH pH 7.6, 140 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA, 0.5% NP-40, freshly 1001 supplemented with EDTA-free protease inhibitors (5mM DTT, 1mM PMSF).
- 1002 NE Buffer: 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 200 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA, freshly supplemented with 1003 EDTA-free protease inhibitors (5mM DTT, 1mM PMSF).
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1005 Measurement of generation-specific B cells by CTFR staining

- B cells were stained with Cell Trace Far Red (CTFR) using CellTrace Far Red Cell Proliferation 1006 1007 Kit (ThermoFisher Scientific, # C34564) as described by the manufacturer protocol. Briefly, 2M 1008 cells were resuspended in 1mL RT PBS and incubated with 1µL CTFR for 25 min at RT with 1009 rotation. Cells were washed by centrifugation, resuspension in 1mL RPMI with 10% FBS, and 1010 incubation for 10 min at RT. The washing steps were repeated 2 more times. CTFR labeled cells were treated with anti-CD40, IL-4, and / or anti-IgM for 96hrs as described above. The cells were 1011 1012 harvested at indicated time points and acquired on the CytoFlex flow cytometer (CytoFLEX, 1013 Beckman Coulter). The cells were gated based on forward scatter (FSC) and side scatter (SSC) to identify live single cells. Doublets were then excluded from the analysis using FSC area and 1014 1015 height. To deconvolve the cells into different generations based on dilution of CTFR, we used the Proliferation Modeling feature on FlowJo V10.8.1. Specifically, generation-0 cells were gated as 1016 1017 "Undivided" in the APC-A channel according to the unstimulated control and 24hr samples, and 1018 the number of peaks were set based on visual estimation and then further adjusted based on the 1019 Peak Ratio and Root Mean Squared outputs to optimize curve fitting.
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1021 Computational modeling of the T-dependent receptor signaling pathway

1022 The mathematical model of T-dependent (TD) B cell stimulation was developed in two parts. 1023 First, we expanded the previously published BCR-signaling ODE model (Shinohara et al., 2014; 1024 Inoue et al., 2016) by including the BCR receptor antigen binding (Fig. 1A left side), and scaled the parameters to match the units (nM⁻¹ hr⁻¹) in the rest of our model. The Shinohara and Inoue 1025 1026 models prescribed a signal function for the CBM complex, a downstream adaptor for BCR 1027 receptor. We bridged the gap between antigen concentration and CBM signaling with a few 1028 additional ODE equations, and tuned these additional parameters (Table 1) such that the signaling dynamics matched the previous version: 1029

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$$\frac{d}{dt}[ANTIGEN] = -\varphi_1 * [ANTIGEN] - \varphi_4[ANTIGEN] * [BCR] * C_{c2m} + \varphi_5 * [ABCR] * C_{c2m}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[BCR] = \varphi_2 - \varphi_3 * [BCR] - \varphi_4 * [ANTIGEN] * [BCR] + \varphi_5 * [ABCR]$$

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}[ABCR] = \varphi_4[ANTIGEN] * [BCR] - \varphi_5 * [ABCR] - \varphi_6 * [ABCR]$$

1033 where [*ANTIGEN*], [*BCR*], and [*ABCR*] are the concentrations of the antigen, BCR, and their 1034 complex; φ_i , i = 1,2,3,..., are the reaction constants (index are listed in Table 1); $C_{c2m} = 0.01$ is 1035 a scaling factor for external ligands like ANTIGEN to convert cellular concentration to media 1036 concentration. In this model, [*ANTIGEN*] is the model input corresponds to experimental 1037 stimulation α -BCR. As output of the BCR receptor module, [*ABCR*] regulates CBM complex 1038 activation (Fig. 1A left side).

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1040 Next, we abstracted the CD40 model from its known signaling pathway (Elgueta *et al.*, 2009;

- 1041 Akiyama, Shinzawa and Akiyama, 2012) in a parsimonious way. As mentioned in the
- 1042 discussion, to avoid the complexity of combinatorial biochemical reactions among the TRAF
- 1043 complexes, we used TRAF3 to represent the TRAF2-TRAF3 complex that constitutively inhibits

the noncanonical NF κ B pathway, and TRAF6 to represent the TRAF1-TRAF2, TRAF3-TRAF5, 1044 1045 and TRAF6-TRAF2 complexes that all activate the canonical NErB nathway

$$\frac{d}{d} [CD401] = a + [CD401] + a [CD401] + [CD402] + C + a + [CD401]$$

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$$\frac{1}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{11} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} - \varphi_{14} \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40R \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} + \varphi_{15} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40LR \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} \\ d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{11} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} - \varphi_{14} \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40R \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} + \varphi_{15} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40LR \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} \\ d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{11} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} - \varphi_{14} \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40R \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} + \varphi_{15} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40LR \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} \\ d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{11} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{11} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} - \varphi_{14} \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40R \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} + \varphi_{15} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40LR \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} \\ d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{11} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40R \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} + \varphi_{15} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40LR \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} \\ d \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{11} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{11} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40R \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} + \varphi_{15} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40LR \end{bmatrix} * C_{c2m} \\ d \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{11} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} CD40L$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt} [CD40R] = \varphi_{12} - \varphi_{13} * [CD40R] - \varphi_{14} * [CD40L] * [CD40R] + \varphi_{15} * [CD40LR]$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt}[CD40LR] = \varphi_{14}[CD40L] * [CD40R] - \varphi_{15} * [CD40LR] - \varphi_{16} * [CD40LR]$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} TRAF6_{off} \end{bmatrix} = -\varphi_{17} * [CD40LR] * \begin{bmatrix} TRAF6_{off} \end{bmatrix} + \varphi_{18} * [TRAF6_{on}]$$

$$0 \qquad \qquad \frac{d}{dt}[TRAF6_{on}] = \varphi_{17} * [CD40LR] * [TRAF6_{off}] - \varphi_{18} * [TRAF6_{on}]$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt}[TRAF3] = \varphi_{19} * [TRAF3] - \varphi_{20} * [TRAF3] - \varphi_{21} * [CD40LR] * [TRAF3]$$

1052 The subsequent kinases that further relay the receptor signal to NFκB signaling are TAK1 (for 1053 TRAF6) and NIK (for TRAF3). We used a Hill function for TRAF3-induced degradation of NIK to 1054 abstract a more complicated complex formation process:

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$$\frac{d}{dt}[NIK] = \varphi_{35} - \varphi_{36} * [NIK] - \varphi_{37} * [NIK] * \frac{[TRAF3]^2}{[TRAF3]^2 + 0.5^2}$$

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1066 Multiscale modeling coupling signaling network and B cell proliferation

1067 The receptor-extended TD model constructed above was combined with a published MATLAB 1068 model of B cell proliferation to create a multiscale model capable of simulating the division and 1069 death of a population of individual B-cells upon TD stimulation. The B cell model integrates a 1070 biophysically accurate model of canonical NFkB signaling (with about 300 parameters and 61 1071 species) with models of the cell cycle (with 52 parameters and 23 species) and apoptosis (with 117 parameters and 59 species) (Shokhirev et al., 2015; Mitchell et al., 2018) to create a 1072 1073 multiscale model capable of simulating the division and death of a population of individual cells 1074 upon T-dependent stimulation. Cleaved PARP (cParp) in the apoptosis model and cadherin-1 1075 (Cdh1) concentration thresholds in the cell cycle model triggered virtual B-cell death and 1076 division, respectively. We translated the model from MATLAB into Julia 1.9.3 for faster execution. All reactions and parameters within the NFkB, apoptosis and cell cycle networks 1077 1078 were maintained and distributed as described by Mitchell et al. (Mitchell et al., 2018), except for 1079 2 parameters in the cell cycle network that were changed to reduce the discrepancy between CD40 and CpG-induced proliferative response (Fig. S2, see more details in "Local sensitivity 1080 1081 analysis to tune CD40-activated cell fates" section of the Methods).

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1083 Separate modules of the multi-scale model were employed when simulating for different 1084 purposes. For the NFkB dynamics in figure 1, only the receptor-NFkB model was used for the 1085 simulation, and the cell fate modules (apoptosis and cell cycle) were excluded. For Fig. S2C-F 1086 when we tuned the CD40-activated cell fates, the cell death module was excluded to enable 1087 faster turnaround for parameter tuning in the cell cycle module. For Fig. 5B-D, the cell cycle

module was excluded to isolate the effects of BCR signaling on cell survival. All the other model
 simulation used the full multi-scale model. When we reported the population trajectory of NFκB
 activity in Fig. 1E-H, all 1000 cells contributed to the mean and standard deviation, but in Fig.
 4G-J, only cells that are alive at each timepoint contributed to the mean and standard deviation.

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All of the code to run the model simulations and plot the figures is provided on GitHub (<u>https://github.com/helengracehuang/BCR-CD40-integration</u>). For each virtual B-cell with its own set of parameters, we ran the model in two phases to first identify the steady state, and then simulate the dynamic time course upon stimulation, with initial states from this steady state. The steady state was solved using Julia's steady state Tsit5 solver with an absolute error tolerance of 1e-5 and relative error tolerance of 1e-3. The simulation time for which the given ODE reach steady state was limited within 800hrs.

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1101 Computational modeling of the BCR-induced cell death pathway

1102 Since we found α-BCR stimulation had an NFκB-independent anti-survival effect that overrides its NF κ B-dependent pro-survival effect (Fig. 3), we decided to resolve this difference by 1103 1104 modifying the multi-scale model. It was reported that ligation of the BCR induces cell death in 1105 some B cells (Graves, Craxton and Clark, 2004) due to activation of Bcl-2 Interacting Mediator 1106 of cell death (Bim) (Gao, Kazama and Yonehara, 2012), caspase-2 or -8 (Chen et al., 1999), mitochondrial dysfunction (Akkaya et al., 2018) or more. Based on these signaling mechanisms 1107 that may mediate activation-induced cell death (AICD) in B-cells and the available species in the 1108 1109 existing cell death module, we revised the cell death module of the T-dependent multi-scale B-1110 cell model to include a simplified pathway from activated BCR to caspase-8 processing (Fig. 1111 4A):

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$$\frac{d}{dt}[PC8] = \left(original \ \frac{d}{dt}[PC8]\right) - \varphi_{C8,AICD} * [PC8] * [ABCR]$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt}[C8] = \left(original \ \frac{d}{dt}[C8]\right) + \varphi_{C8,AICD} * [PC8] * [ABCR]$$

1115 where [*PC*8], [*C*8], and [*ABCR*] are the concentrations of the pre-caspase-8, caspase-8, and 1116 activated BCR; *original* $\frac{d}{dt}$ [*PC*8] and *original* $\frac{d}{dt}$ [*C*8] are the original differential equations for 1117 pre-caspase-8 and caspase-8 in Mitchell *et al.*, 2018, abbreviated to highlight the revision we 1118 made; $\varphi_{C8,AICD}$ was tuned to be 0.00021 according to experimental data of BCR-CD40 1119 costimulation versus CD40-only stimulation conditions (Fig. 4B-C).

Simulations prior to figure 4 and Fig. 5F-H did not include this BCR-induced cell death pathway.
Fig. 4B-F, Fig. 5A-E, I-K, and figures 6 and 7 were all simulated with the modified caspase-8
equations.

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1125 Model fit evaluation

Root-mean-squared deviation (RMSD) were calculated on the population dynamics between model simulation and experimental results (Fig. 2F, S2B, 3E, 3F, and 4D) and between two experimental conditions (Fig. 3H,K) in the same manner. Two RMSD scores, one for population expansion index (Fig. 2D), and the other for generational composition (Fig. 2E) between each pair of model and experimental outputs at each experimental timepoint (0, 24, 36, 48, 72, and 96hrs) were calculated.

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- 1133 For the RMSD on generational composition:

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$$RMSD_{gen} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{5} \sum_{j=0}^{6} \left(\frac{n_{i,j}}{N_i} - \frac{\hat{n}_{i,j}}{\hat{N}_i}\right)^2}$$

Where i is the i-th timepoint of the experimental measurement (i.e. i = 1 corresponds to the 1135 1136 measurement at 24 hours, followed by 36, 48, 72, and 96 hours), and *j* is the generation 1137 number, ranging from generation 0 to 6 corresponding to founder cells to cells that have divided 6 times. $n_{i,j}$ thus means the number of live cells in generation j and timepoint i in the 1138 experimental data, while $\hat{n}_{i,j}$ is the corresponding live cell number in generation *j* and timepoint 1139 *i* in model simulation. Additionally, $N_i = \sum_{j=0}^{6} n_{i,j}$ represents the total number of live cells at timepoint *i* in the experimental data, and $\hat{N}_i = \sum_{j=0}^{6} \hat{n}_{i,j}$ represents the corresponding total live 1140 1141 cell number in model simulation. $\frac{n_{i,j}}{N_i}$ and $\frac{\hat{n}_{i,j}}{\hat{N}_i}$ are thus the generation decomposition ratios at each time point for experimental data and simulation data, respectively. 1142 1143 1144 1145 For population expansion, the RMSD is composed of two parts, one normalized to population size at 0 hour (N_0) and one normalized to the population size at 24 hours (N_1) to account for 1146

unpredictable mechanical cell death (which typically occur within the first few hours) as a form of 1147 technical error in experiments. Both RMSD scores are then normalized to the number of 1148 1149 timepoints (5 timepoints for 0hr normalization, and 4 timepoints for 24hr normalization) and the

maximum population expansion so that different amount of population expansion at different 1150 1151 doses are evaluated on the same scale:

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$$RMSD_{pop_exp} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{5} \left(\frac{N_t}{N_0} - \frac{\widehat{N}_t}{\widehat{N}_0}\right)^2}{5 \cdot \max_{i=1,...,5} N_i}} + \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=2}^{5} \left(\frac{N_t}{N_1} - \frac{\widehat{N}_t}{N_1}\right)^2}{4 \cdot \max_{i=2,...,5} N_i}}$$

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Local sensitivity analysis to tune CD40-activated cell fates 1154

1155 Due to the discrepancy between CD40 and CpG-induced proliferative response, we quantified several key variables in the dye dilution data that determined the population dynamics with 1156 1157 FlowMax (Shokhirev and Hoffmann, 2013). After fitting FlowMax model to the experimental 1158 data, we quantified the time to first division (Tdiv0), time to later divisions (Tdiv1+), and the fraction of generation 0 cells that respond by dividing (F0) in response to low, medium, and high 1159 1160 CD40 doses. In all CD40 doses, the average Tdiv0 is much later and more dose-specific (68.5 to 76.9hrs since stimulation onset for high to low dose of CD40) than what the model predicted 1161 (36.1 to 40.6hrs). On the other hand, the average Tdiv1+ of the CD40 experimental data were 1162 1163 mostly shorter than predicted by the model (Table S1 Exp vs Model(1), Fig. S2A), and the proportion of dividers was lower, indicated by a larger amount of cells in generation 0 at 96hrs in 1164 Fig. S2A and a smaller F0 quantified by FlowMax than the model predicted (Table S2 Exp vs 1165 1166 Model(1).

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1168 To improve model fit, we identified locally sensitive parameters in the cell cycle module that 1169 contribute to Tdiv0 and Tdiv1+ by calculating the standard deviation in division times when scaling each parameter by 0.2, 0.33, 0.4, 0.5, 0.66, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0, or 5.0-fold. 2 out of 55 1170 1171 parameters stood out as the best candidates for tuning Tdiv0 and Tdiv1+: retinoblastoma (Rb) decay rate and cyclin B (CycB) synthesis rate, respectively (Fig. S2C). Rb decay rate was tuned 1172 to be 10% of the original value, whereas CycB was tuned to be 1.8-fold the original value to 1173 1174 achieve a later and more dose-responsive Tdiv0, shorter Tdiv1+, and smaller divider

percentage (Fig. S2D,E,F). 1175

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A simulation of 300 cells with distributed parameters before and after parameter tuning showed 1177 1178 that mean Tdiv0 for dividers increased from 36.14 hours to 62.80 hours for high dose of CD40 1179 stimulation, and from 40.65 hours to 74.78 hours for low dose, achieving both a later and more dose-responsive Tdiv0, resulting in much more agreement with the FlowMax output based on 1180 1181 experimental data (Table S1, left 3 columns). The mean Tdiv1+ for dividers decreases from 1182 around 9 hours to 6 hours for all doses, which is in concordant with high dose of CD40, but in 1183 less agreement with medium and low doses (Table S1, right 3 columns). Table S2 also showed 1184 the percentage of dividers out of all founder cells decreased for all doses, while maintaining 1185 CD40 dose-responsiveness.

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1187 Table S1. Experimental vs. Model proliferation time before (1) & after (2) tuning

Table 01: Experimental vs. model promeration time before (1) & alter (2) tahing						
Condition	EXP Tdiv0	MODEL(1) Tdiv0	MODEL(2) Tdiv0	EXP Tdiv1+	MODEL(1) Tdiv1+	MODEL(2) Tdiv1+
CD40 high	68.5	36.1	60.7	6.1	9.0	6.2
CD40 medium	68.6	35.7	66.2	7.8	9.2	6.0
CD40 low	76.9	40.6	79.4	35.2	9.7	6.3

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1189 Table S2. Experimental vs. Model divider percentage before (1) & after (2) tuning

Condition	EXP F0	MODEL(1) F0	MODEL(2) F0
CD40 high	46.8%	58.3%	46.3%
CD40 medium	18.4%	46.3%	34.7%
CD40 low	4.4%	24.0%	21.0%

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