

Supplemental Table 1. Histological evaluations of mice

Genotype	Sex	Pancreas		Liver	Lung
		Periinsular lymphocytic infiltration	Atrophy of acinar tissues	Lymphoid cell infiltration	Lymphoid cell infiltration
+/+	F	++	-	-	-
+/+	F	+	-	-	-
+/+	F	++	-	-	-
+/+	M	+	-	-	-
+/+	M	+	-	+	-
+/+	M	+	-	-	-
+/+	M	+	-	-	-
+/-	F	+	-	-	-
+/-	F	++	-	+	-
+/-	F	++	-	-	+
+/-	M	+	-	-	-
+/-	M	+	-	-	-
+/-	M	++	-	-	+
+/-	M	++	-	N.A.	-
+/-	M	-	-	-	-
+/-	M	++	-	-	-
-/-	F	++	++	+	++
-/-	F	++	++	+	++
-/-	F	++	++	+	++
-/-	F	N.A.	N.A.	+	++
-/-	F	N.A.	N.A.	+	+
-/-	F	+	-	+	+
-/-	F	N.A.	N.A.	+	++
-/-	F	++	+	+	++
-/-	F	++	-	+	++
-/-	F	-	-	+	++
-/-	F	+	++	+	+
-/-	F	++	++	+	++
-/-	M	++	++	+	++
-/-	M	++	++	+	++
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-/-	M	++	++	+	++
-/-	M	+	++	-	+
-/-	M	++	+	+	++
-/-	M	++	++	+	++
-/-	M	++	++	+	++

Formalin-fixed tissue sections were subjected to H&E staining, and two pathologists independently evaluated the histology without being informed of the condition of each individual mouse. Histological evaluations were made 6 to 21 wks after birth. Mice backcrossed onto NOD mice for 6 to 9 generations were used.

N.A., not assessed.

++, severe; +, moderate; -, not remarkable.

Supplemental Table 2. Expression of tissue-specific genes from Aire-deficient NOD mouse thymus

Genotype	Foxn1/Hprt	Ins/Hprt	SP1/Hprt	FABP/Hprt	CRP/Hprt	GAD67/Hprt	PD1p/Hprt
+/+	1.86	2.83	1.04	0.78	1.41	52.2	0.74
-/-	1.65	$9.77 \times 10^{-2}$	$4.96 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.49 \times 10^{-2}$	1.60	185	0.62
Relative abundance (Aire-KO/control)	0.89	1/29.0	1/210	1/22.5	1.13	3.54	0.85

Real-time PCR for *Foxn1* and peripheral tissue-specific genes was performed using total thymus RNAs from control and Aire-deficient NOD mice. The relative abundance of each gene was calculated as described in Table 1. Mice backcrossed onto NOD mice for 6 generations were used.

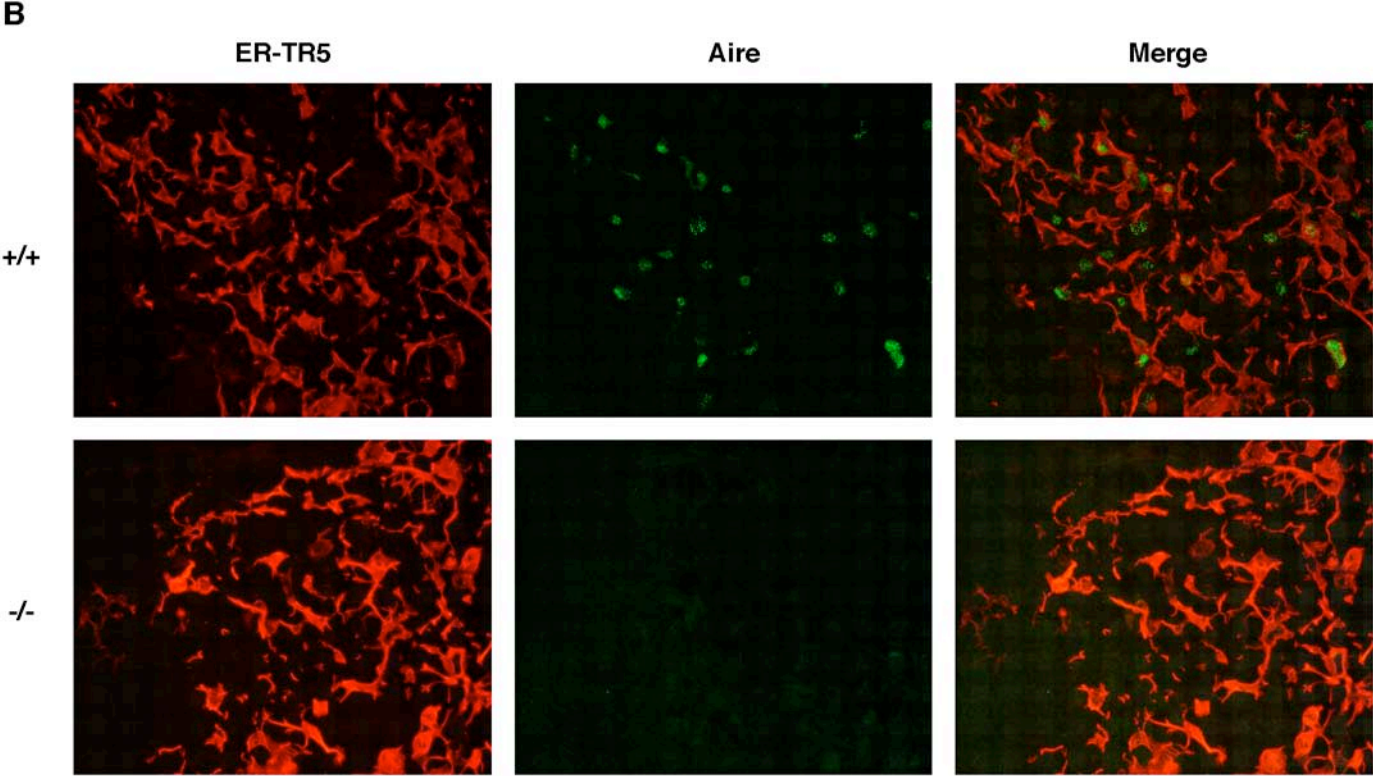
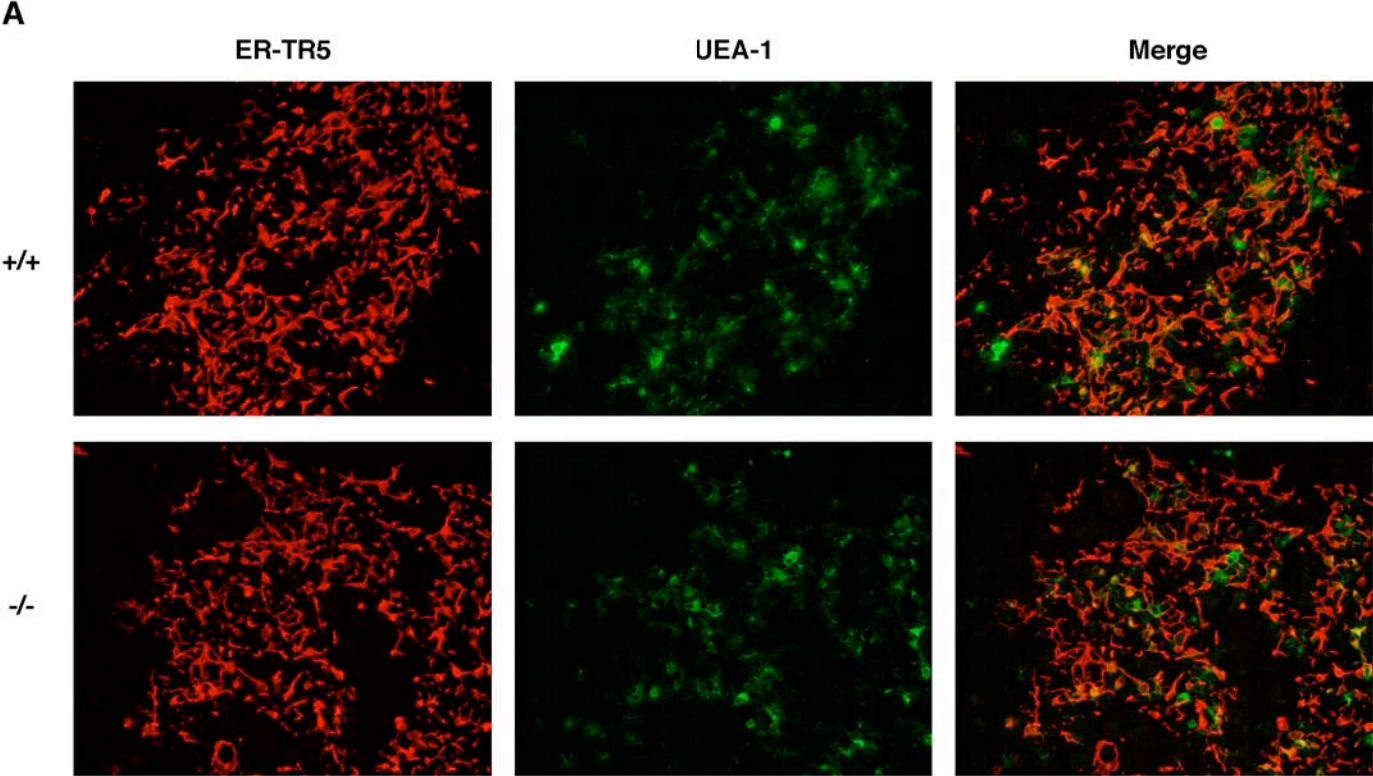
Supplemental Table 3. Serum auto-Abs against various organs detected with immuno-fluorescence

Genotype	Pancreas	Stomach	Kidney	Liver
+/+	-	-	-	-
+/-	-	-	-	-
+/-	-	-	-	-
+/-	-	-	-	-
+/-	-	-	-	-
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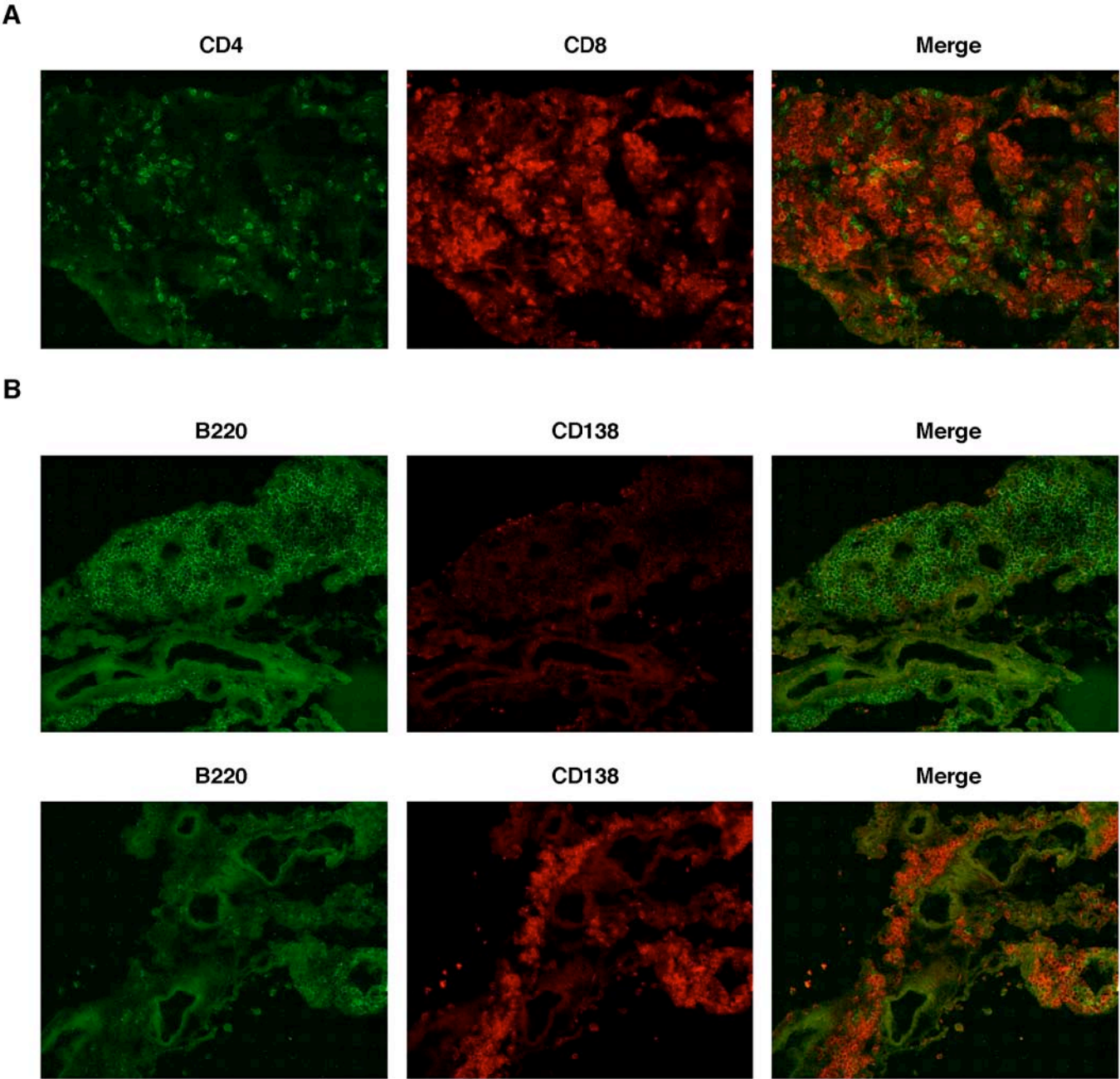
Mouse serum was incubated with various organs obtained from Rag2-deficient mice, and reactivity was determined by immuno-fluorescence. Mice backcrossed onto NOD mice for 6 generations were used.

++, strongly positive; +, moderately positive; -, negative.

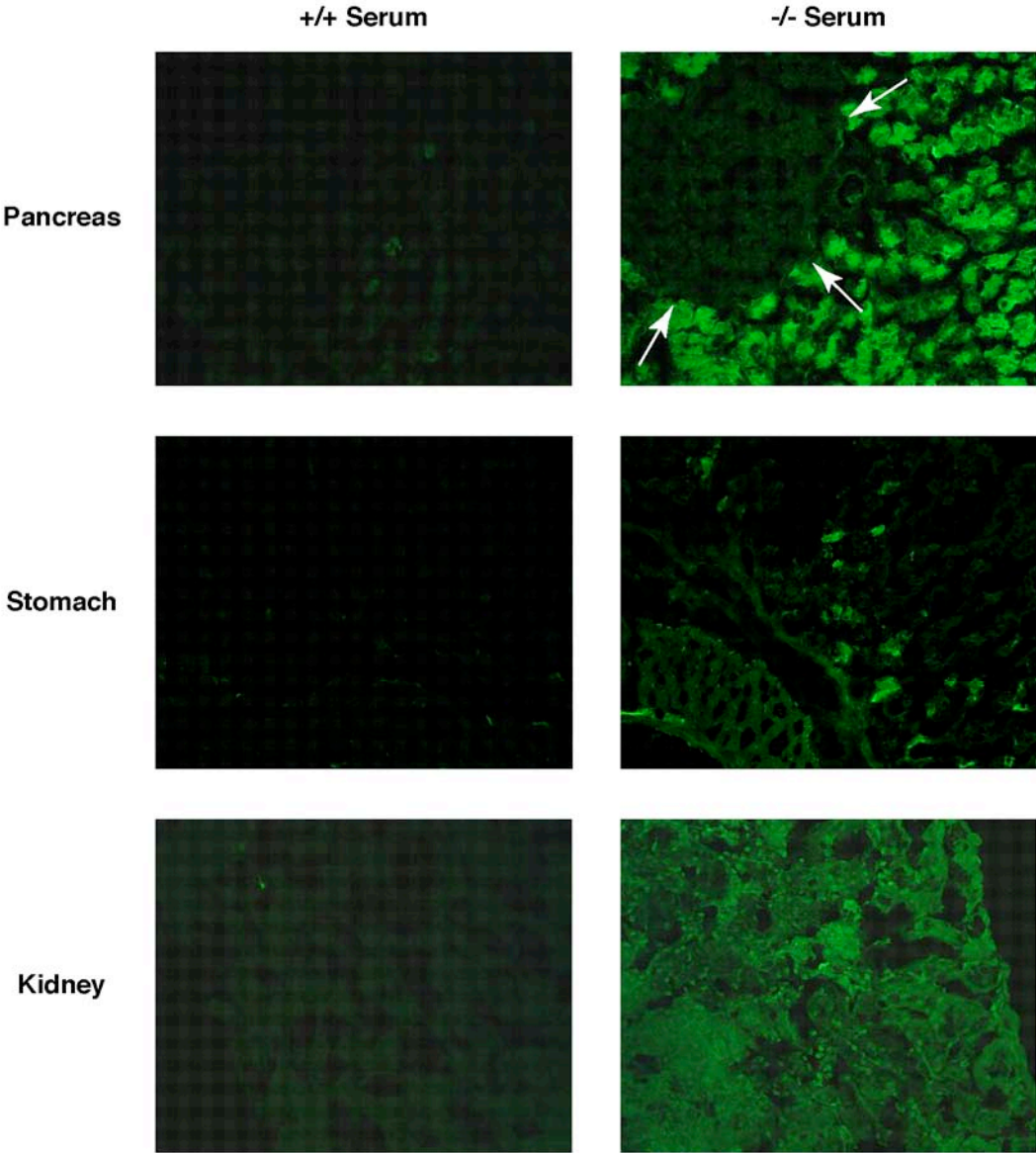
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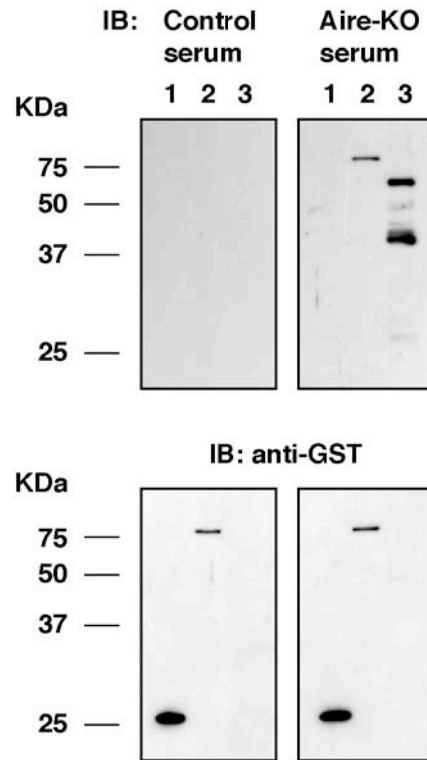
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### Supplemental Data

Figure S1. Retained thymic structure in both Aire-sufficient and Aire-deficient NOD mice. (A) Thymic medulla, identified as ER-TR5<sup>+</sup> areas (stained in red), contained normal numbers and distribution of UEA-1<sup>+</sup> cells (stained in green) in both Aire-sufficient and Aire-deficient NOD mice. Original magnification, x 200. (B) Aire<sup>+</sup> cells were normally distributed within the medullary TECs in NOD mice. The subcellular distribution of Aire nuclear-dots within the cell was also unaltered. Aire-deficient NOD thymus served as a negative control for staining with anti-Aire Ab. Original magnification, x 400.

Figure S2. Lymphoid cell infiltration in the pancreas from Aire-deficient NOD mice. (A) Both CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> cells infiltrated in the pancreas from Aire-deficient NOD mice. (B) B220<sup>+</sup> cells, which do not express CD138, were recognized in the pancreas from Aire-deficient NOD mice (upper panels). Clusters of CD138<sup>+</sup> cells, which are B220<sup>low</sup>, were also identified among these lymphoid cell infiltrations (lower panels). Original magnification, x 200.

Figure S3. Auto-Ab production in Aire-deficient NOD mice. Serum from Aire-deficient NOD mice, but not from control littermates, contained IgG class auto-Abs against pancreas, stomach and kidney as detected with immunofluorescence. Arrows in the upper right panel indicate a  $\beta$ -cell islet. Original magnification, x 200.

Figure S4. Production of anti-PDIp auto-Ab in Aire-deficient NOD mice. Aire-deficient NOD mouse serum (top right), but not control mouse serum (top left), showed reactivity against bacterially expressed GST-PDIp fusion protein (lane 2), but not against GST alone (lane 1), by Western blot analysis. Protein extracted from pancreas was used as a positive control (lane 3). The same blot was probed with anti-GST Ab (bottom).