

Supplementary data

Figure A: In order to test the inhibitory effect of anti-C5a receptor blocking antibody, purified human monocytes (10^6 monocytes/ml) were incubated for 1 hour (37°C) with or without anti-C5a receptor blocking antibody (R&D ; $1.25\mu\text{g/ml}$) and subsequently with C5a (R&D ; 10nM) for 10 minutes. Fixation of C5a on monocytes was assessed by flux cytometry using an anti-C5a antibody (Covalab ; $24\mu\text{g/ml}$).

Negative CT, negative control: addition of anti-C5a antibody in the absence of C5a.

MFI, mean fluorescence intensity.

