

Supplemental figure S1. Phagocytosis of *B. anthracis* spores by macrophages with different MOI. RAW264.7 cells were incubated with 7702 spores at different MOI for 30min and detection of extracellular and intracellular spores were as described in the legend for Figure 1. **A**, the number of extracellular adhered spores per macrophage. **B**, the number of intracellular spores per macrophage. The results were combined from at least three independent experiments. Approximately 1000 macrophages were analyzed for each condition in each independent experiment. *, p < 0.05; **, p < 0.01; ***, p < 0.001; student's *t* test.



Supplemental figure S2. Depletion of IgG from normal human serum. IgG was depleted by passing the serum through a protein G column as described in the Materials and Methods section. The depletion was confirmed by SDS-PAGE (A) and western blot (B). The heavy chain and the light chain of IgG were indicated by an arrow and an arrowhead, respectively.



Supplemental figure S3. recombinant BclA (rBclA) does not activate C1. Purified C1 was incubated with rBclA (26 μ M), heated treated rBclA (hrBclA 26 μ M), IgM (10 μ g/ml) or HBS buffer only and samples were analyzed by western blot using anti-C1s antibody and a second antibody. Full-length C1s and cleavage products A chain and B chain were indicated by arrows.