

Supporting Information

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SI Methods

Tetramers and Peptides. Peptides specific for lymphocytic choriomeningitis virus (LCMV) T-cell epitopes GP_{33–41} (KAVYNFATC), GP_{34–41} (AVYNFATC), GP_{276–286} (SGVENPGGYCL), and NP_{396–404} (FQPQNGQFI) (1) were purchased from 21st Century Biochemicals. Fluorescently labeled MHCI tetramers recognizing D^bGP33 were purchased from Beckman Coulter. D^bGP34, D^bGP276, and D^bNP396 tetramers were obtained from the National Institutes of Health Tetramer Core Facility.

Antibodies and Flow Cytometry. Fluorescently labeled antibodies were purchased from BD Biosciences, eBioscience, and BioLegend. Flow cytometric data were acquired with LSR II, LSR Fortessa, and FACS Canto cytometers (BD Biosciences) by using FACS Diva software. Data were analyzed using by Flowjo software v8.8.6 (Treestar).

Cell Purification and Adoptive Transfers. Dendritic cells used for cell transfer experiments were isolated by magnetic cell separation (MACS) technology with anti-CD11c magnetic microbeads (Miltenyi Biotec) according to manufacturer's instructions, from collagenase-DNase treated spleens of 6- to 10-wk-old uninfected B6.FasKI or B6.CD11c-Cre.FasKI mice. Naïve CD8 T cells used in transfer experiments were obtained as follows. Splenocytes from P14 and OT1 mice were labeled with a mixture of biotinylated antibodies recognizing CD44, CD19, CD4, CD11b, CD11c, and NK1.1. The cells were then washed and incubated with streptavidin microbeads for 15 min at 4 °C, before being loaded onto MACS separation columns. Cells that did not bind to the columns were collected and were typically 99% naïve CD44^{lo} CD8 T cells. P14 cells were then transferred at 1×10^5 cells per mouse for LCMV-Armstrong infection experiments or labeled with 5 μ M CFSE (Molecular Probes) for 5 min at room temperature in PBS, washed, mixed 1:1 (8×10^5 cells each) with CFSE-labeled OT1 cells and transferred i.v. into recipient mice. LCMV-activated P14 T cells were isolated by staining splenic cells from LCMV-infected recipient mice with biotinylated anti-CD45.1 antibody, followed by incubation with streptavidin microbeads and purification by MACS selection as described.

Intracellular Cytokine Assay. Single-cell suspensions from spleens and lymph nodes were plated at 2×10^6 cells per well in 96-well plates and stimulated for 5 h at 37 °C with 1 μ M viral peptide in the presence of brefeldin A and 0.2 U/mL recombinant IL-2.

Stimulated cells were then resuspended in FACS buffer (PBS, 2% FCS, and 0.1% NaN₃) and stained for 25 min at 4 °C with fluorescently tagged antibodies. Subsequently, cells were washed, permeabilized by using BD Cytotfix/Cytoperm solution, and stained with monoclonal antibodies for various cytokines according to manufacturer's instructions (BD Biosciences).

T-Cell Activation. BMDCs from B6.CD11c-Cre.FasKI and B6.FasKI mice were grown for 5 d in GM-CSF as described, treated with Mitomycin C (Sigma, 25 μ g/mL for 30 min at 37 °C), washed three times, and used as antigen-presenting cells (10^4 cells per well of a U-bottom 96-well plate) with 10^5 MACS-purified T cells (using anti-CD4 or anti-CD8 beads for positive selection) and varying amount of OVA (Sigma) in Click's medium (Irvine Scientific) for 72 h. Eighteen hours before harvesting, 1 μ Ci of ³HThymidine was added per well to measure T-cell proliferation.

Antinuclear Antibody Staining. Antinuclear antibody staining was done exactly as described (2).

Microarray Analysis. Spleens from LCMV-clone 13-infected B6.FasKI and B6.CD11c-Cre.FasKI mice were collagenase-DNase digested and sorted flow cytometrically to isolate DCs. RNA isolated from three samples (each sample obtained from spleens of three mice) each of FACS-sorted B6.FasKI and B6.CD11c-Cre.FasKI DCs was hybridized to Illumina Mouse WG-6 Expression BeadChip (Illumina) arrays at the Functional Genomics Facility core at the University of Chicago. Probe level data were normalized by using log₂ average signal intensity and summarized to gene expression by using median of probe values. Gene expression data were visualized by using a volcano plot.

In addition to looking for significantly ($P < 0.05$) and differentially regulated genes (>1 log fold), we applied a set of heuristic filters to further identify genes relevant to dendritic cells (DC). First, we restricted our analysis to genes that were also subjected to expression profiling in the ImmGen microarray database (immgen.org). Second, we use a statistical filter to identify genes that were overexpressed, in either all DCs or Plasmacytoid DCs, relative to all other cell types in ImmGen. We assessed overexpression by performing a one-sided two-sample *t* test, testing against the alternative hypothesis that the mean expression of a gene in DCs is greater than the mean across other cell types. We corrected for multiple hypothesis testing (3) and reported genes $q < 0.05$.

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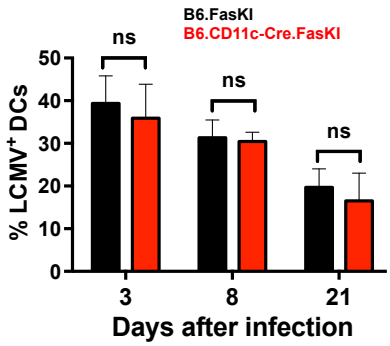


Fig. S1. Percentage of LCMV-clone 13-infected splenic DCs from infected mice of indicated genotypes. Data are compiled from two independent experiments, 3–8 mice per time point. Error bars represent SEM.

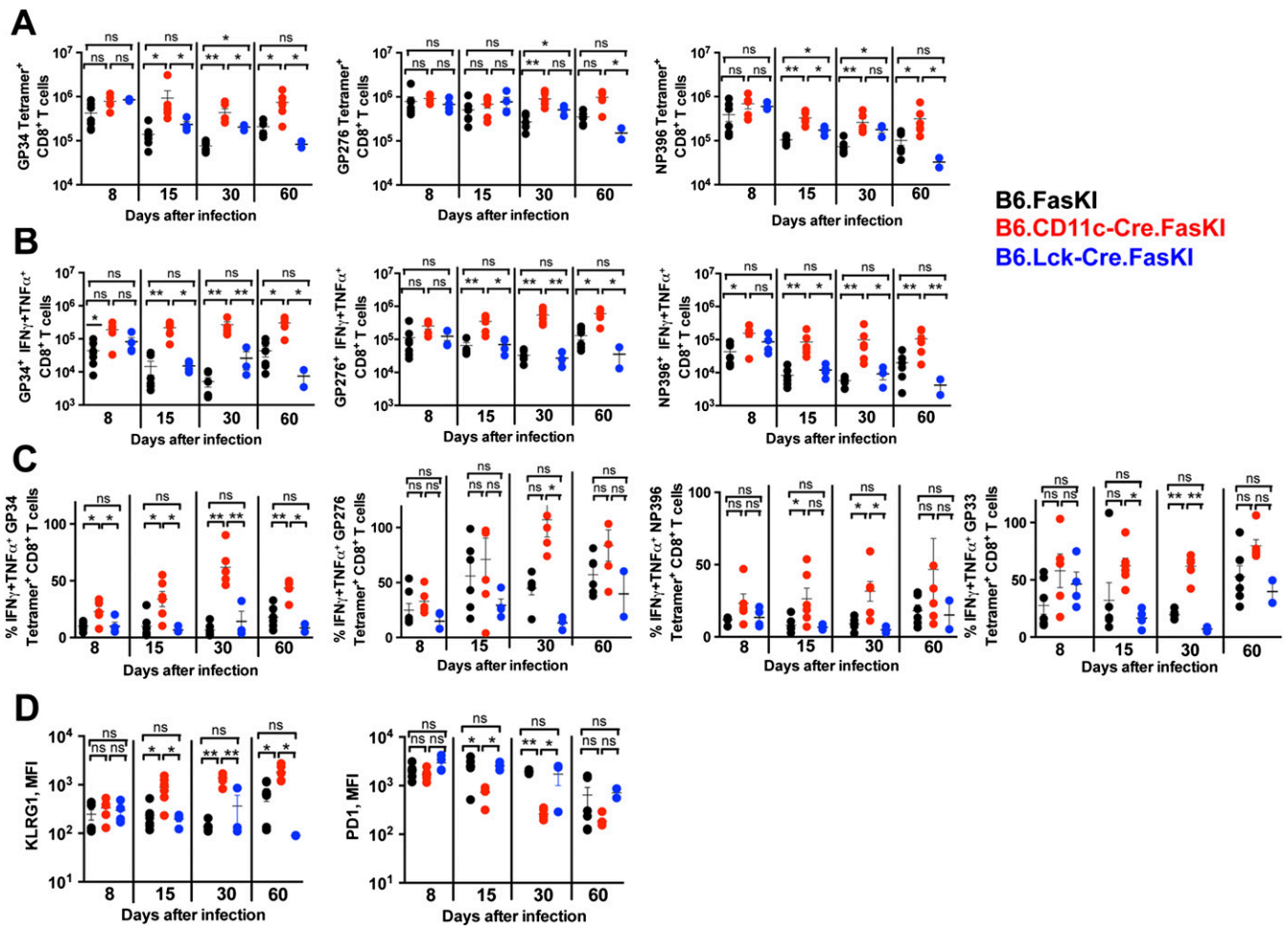


Fig. S2. Analysis of LCMV-specific T cells after infection with LCMV-clone 13. (A) LCMV-clone 13-infected mice were analyzed at indicated time points for D^b-GP34, GP276, and NP396 tetramer-positive T-cell numbers. (B) IFN- γ and TNF- α double-producing T cells numbers were identified after 5 h in vitro stimulation with indicated LCMV peptides. (C) Percent functional T cells were calculated as the frequency of IFN- γ and TNF- α double-producing T cells of the total tetramer-positive cells for each epitope. (D) Expression levels of KLRG1 and PD1 were calculated and expressed as median fluorescence intensity (MFI) \pm SEM. Data are compiled from two independent experiments with 2–7 mice per time point. Error bars represent SEM. Statistical significance was calculated by ordinary one-way ANOVA (* $P < 0.05$; ** $P < 0.005$; ns, not significant).

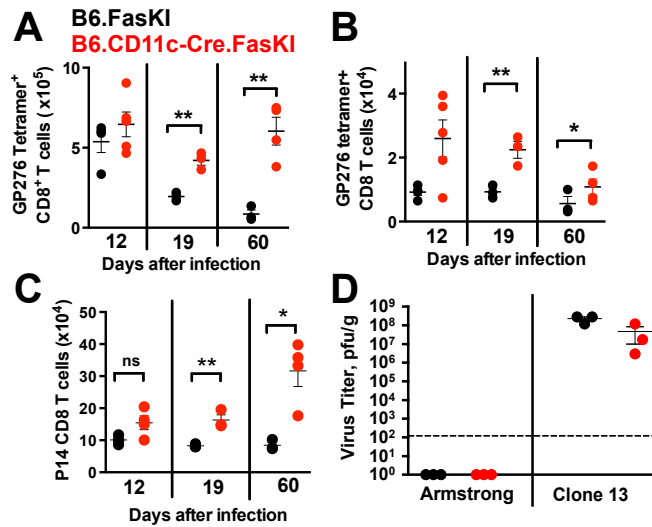


Fig. 53. The fate of T cells specific to LCMV in mice with Fas-sufficient and Fas-deficient DCs. B6.FasKI and B6.CD11c-Cre.FasKI mice infected with LCMV-Armstrong were analyzed at 12, 19, and 60 d after infection, for total numbers of D^b GP276 tetramer-positive T-cell numbers in the spleen (A) and lymph nodes (B). (C) B6.FasKI and B6.CD11c-Cre.FasKI mice were injected with 1×10^5 naïve P14 (GP33-specific) T cells (CD45.1⁺) 1 d before infection with LCMV-Armstrong and were analyzed for splenic P14 T-cell numbers. Data represent 3–4 mice per time point. (D) B6.FasKI and B6.CD11c-Cre.FasKI mice infected with LCMV-Armstrong cleared infection by day 8.

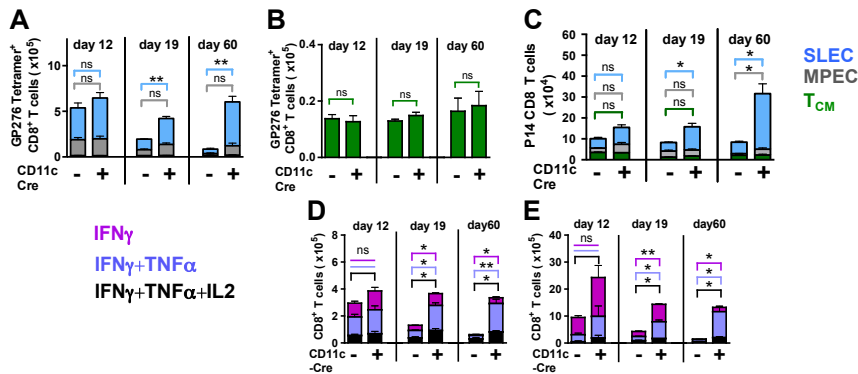


Fig. 54. The fate of effector and memory T cells specific to LCMV in mice with Fas-sufficient and Fas-deficient DCs. (A and B) Composition of memory T cells: SLECs (CD44^{hi}, KLRG1^{hi}, CD127^{lo}, CD62L^{lo}) in blue, MPECs (CD44^{hi}, KLRG1^{lo}, CD127^{hi}, CD62L^{lo}) in gray, and T_{CM} (CD44^{hi}, CD127^{hi}, KLRG1^{lo}, CD62L^{hi}) in green, in the spleens of Cre⁻ and Cre⁺ mice. (C) Same for GP33-reactive P14 cells transferred into LCMV-Armstrong-infected Cre⁻ and Cre⁺ mice. Data represent 3–4 mice per time point. (D and E) Splenic CD8⁺ T cells from B6.FasKI and B6.CD11c-Cre.FasKI mice infected with LCMV-Armstrong were analyzed at indicated time points for number of splenic CD8⁺ T cells producing IFN- γ , IFN- γ + TNF- α , or IFN- γ + TNF- α + IL-2 in response to 5 h *in vitro* stimulation with GP276 (D) or NP396 peptide (E). Data are compiled from two independent experiments, 3–5 mice per time point. *P* values comparing groups of mice were obtained by unpaired Student *t* test. Error bars represent SEM (**P* < 0.05; ***P* < 0.005; ns, not significant).

