Supporting Information

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Fig. S1. Phosphoinositide-dependent protein kinase-1 (PDK1) is required for early B cell development. (A) Frequency of B cell progenitors based on Hardy's classification. (B) Absolute numbers of total B cells and of the indicated B cell subsets in the bone marrow. Data represent mean \pm SD of three independent experiments. *P < 0.05, Mann–Whitney U test.



Fig. S2. PDK1 regulates pro-B cell survival. Analysis of active caspase-3 on hematopoietic stem cell-derived pro-B cells that were left untreated (Upper) or treated overnight with 20 mM of pan-caspase inhibitor Q-VD-OPh (R&D Systems) (Lower) before intracellular flow cytometric analysis.



Fig. S3. PDK1 is required for peripheral B cell homeostasis. The graphs represent the absolute numbers of splenic cells, B cells, and B cell subsets in the spleens. Data represent mean \pm SD of three independent experiments. **P* < 0.05, Mann–Whitney *U* test.

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Fig. 54. PDK1 is required for antigen-driven B cell responses. (A) Evaluation of basal serum levels of the indicated Ig isotypes by ELISA. Data are displayed as the concentration of each Ig isotype or absorbance. (B) Analysis of specific anti–2,4,6-trinitrophenyl (TNP) IgM or IgG3 in the sera of unimmunized or TNP-Ficoll–immunized animals. (C and D) Analysis of splenic germinal center (GC) B cells at 7 d after immunization with sheep red blood cells (SRBCs). (E) Analysis of GC B cells in the Peyer's patches of unimmunized mice. Values in C and E indicate the gated GC B cell population (GL7⁺Fas⁺) as a percentage of B220⁺ cells. The data represent one of two independent experiments.



Fig. S5. Effect of acute deletion of PDK1 on peripheral B cell activation. (*A*) Analysis of splenic EYFP⁺ GC B cells at 7 d after immunization with SRBCs. Tamoxifen was administered at days 3–5. SDs are shown (n = 4 per group). (*B*) Spleens were harvested at 5 d after the last injection of tamoxifen, and purified B cells were cultured for 3 d under the indicated conditions. (*C*) B cells were loaded with eF640 dye and cultured for 3 d under the indicated conditions. Cell division was assessed based on eF640 dilution by flow cytometry. The density plots show the correlated expression of IgG1 (for the cultures with IL-4) or IgG3 (for the cultures with LPS) and eF640 dilution. Data represent the mean \pm SD of two or more independent experiments. **P* < 0.05, Mann–Whitney *U* test.



Fig. S6. PKC α/β activation in *Pdk1^{L/L}* × *Cd21^{Cre}* B cells. CD43⁻CD9⁻ cells were stimulated with 10 μ g/mL α -lgM (Fab')₂ for the indicated period in the presence of cycloheximide (CHX) to block de novo protein synthesis and allow for assessment of PKC stability. Whole-cell lysates were prepared for immunoblot analysis for the indicated targets, with β -actin serving as a loading control.