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T-cell STAT3 is required for the maintenance of humoral immunity to LCMV

Supporting Information Figure 1



Supporting Information Figure 1: Thymic T cell populations and survival are similar between naïve control and T-cell STAT3 deficient mice. (A) Survival of naïve uninfected *Lck-Cre⁻ Stat3^{fl/fl}* vs. *Lck-Cre⁺ Stat3^{fl/fl}* mice was monitored over time (mean \pm SEM; n=155-175 mice/group). (B) CD4⁺, CD8⁺, CD4⁺CD8⁺ and CD4⁻CD8⁻ T-cells were measured in naïve thymus samples from *Lck-Cre⁻ Stat3^{fl/fl}* vs. *Lck-Cre⁺ Stat3^{fl/fl}* mice (mean \pm SEM; n=5-6 mice, data pooled from 2 independent experiments). (C) CD44 and CD25 expression were analyzed on double negative (CD4⁻CD8⁻) T cells in naïve thymus from *Lck-Cre⁻ Stat3^{fl/fl}* vs. *Lck-Cre⁺ Stat3^{fl/fl}* mice (mean \pm SEM; n=5-6 mice). Data shown in (B and C) are pooled from 2 independent experiments. Statistical significance between groups was determined by Student's *t*-test or Kaplan Meier log rank test for survival data.

Supporting Information Figure 2



Supporting Information Figure 2: Representative flow cytometry gating strategy. (A) pre-gating strategy used to identify T cells, including tetramer positive CD8 (upper panel) or CD4 (middle panel) or IFN_Y positive (lower panel) T cells as shown in figure 1. (B) pre-gating strategy used to identify B cells as shown in figure 2.

Supporting Information Figure 3



Supporting Information Figure 3: B Cell proliferation is unaffected by absence of STAT3 in T cells. Percentage of cells in each division cycle for positively selected (B220⁺), CFSE labeled Lck-Cre⁻Stat3^{fl/fl} vs. Lck-Cre⁺ Stat3^{fl/fl} B-cells, stimulated with (A) 1µg/ml LPS or (B) 2µg/ml CD40-L and 10ng/ml II-4 for 72h as measured by flow cytometry (mean ± SEM; n=4-6 mice). Data is pooled from 2 independent experiments. Statistical significance between groups was determined by Student's *t*-test.