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YFP⁺- AMA1^{KO}

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Supplemental Figure 1. (a) Mouse survival curves for BALB/c mice injected subcutaneously with different doses of Dicre-YFP⁺-AMA1⁻ (AMA1^{KO}) or diCre-AMA1⁺ (AMA1⁺) tachyzoites. Data are from one experiment with n=4 mice. (b) AMA1^{KO} survival mice inoculated 8 weeks earlier were challenged with 10⁵ of type I virulent strain diCre-AMA1⁺. The histogram on left panel shows the rate of seroconversion of mice tested 6 weeks after inoculation with AMA1^{KO} and the number of mice analyzed is indicated on top of each column. The right panel shows mice survival curves after immunization 8 weeks earlier with different doses of AMA1^{KO} tachyzoites and injected with 10⁵ diCre-AMA1⁺.

Supplemental Figure 2. Peritoneal mesothelial cells and exudates from dexamethasone-immunocompromised mice. AMA1^{KO} tachyzoites massively in cells collected from the peritoneal exudate and peritoneal wall 2 days p.i.with 105 parasites. The percentage of cells collected are 22 % \pm 5.5% and 27% \pm 3.8% mesothelial cells and peritoneal cells respectively (n= 500 cells, duplicates for n=2 mice). Note that free parasites were frequently observed in the two samples (red and white arrows respectively) by sharp contrast with the samples collected from immunocompetent mice.

Supplemental Figure 3. Detection of AMA1^{KO} parasites in the brain of infected mice. DNA from 4 out of 10 C57B/6J mice brains surviving at 2.5 10² and 1.5 10³ AMA1^{KO} was purified 15 weeks p.i. using TRIzol LS Reagent. Parasite genomic DNA was detected by PCR using specific primers Tox 9–11 (Reischl U *et al.* BMC Infect Dis 2003). Mouse brain DNA integrity was checked by amplifying a fragment from the mouse gene Spire-1. 1: brain from naïve mouse; 2-3: brains of mice infected with type II Pru: $\Delta ku 80$, 4-5: brain of mice infected with 2.5 10^2 AMA1^{KO}; 6-7: brain of mice infected with 1.5 10^3 AMA1^{KO}; 8: DNA from free tachyzoites. kb: kilobases.