

S1 Table. Viability of bacteria inside the B cells.

Mouse No.	Number of cells ¹	Number of CFU ²
1	2.3 x 10 ⁴	1.05 x 10 ²
2	4.1 x 10 ⁴	1.62 x 10 ²
3	4.8 x 10 ⁴	2.13 x 10 ²

BALB/c mice were infected with *F. tularensis* LVS/GFP. After 24 h peritoneal cells were collected, resuspended in DMEM cultivation medium supplemented with 2% fetal bovine serum and then incubated with the antibody CD19-Alexa Fluor 647. Peritoneal CD19⁺ cells were sorted using BD FACSAria II Cell Sorter. Sorted CD19⁺ cells were washed using PBS and lysed by 0.1% sodium deoxycholate after washing. Actual numbers of bacteria were determined by serial dilutions (10⁰ and 10⁻²) and the number of CFU was calculated.

¹ Number of CD19⁺ cells seeded onto McLeod plates in volume 50 μ L and cultivated at 36.8°C.

² The number of CFU was determined after 48-72 h of cultivation.