

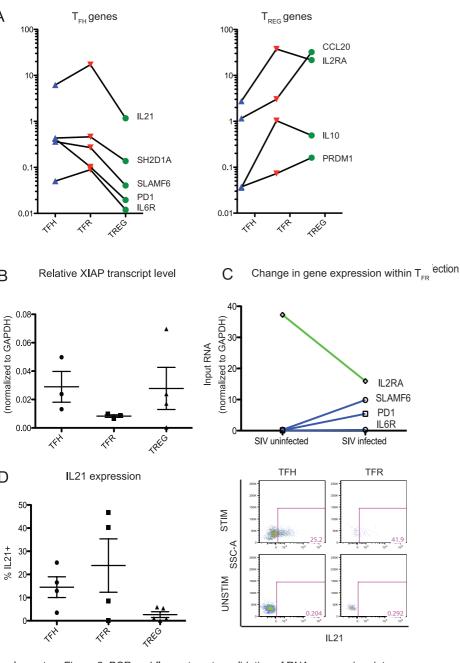
Supplementary Figure 1. RNA expression within  $T_{FR}$  in uninfected and SIV infected RM. (A) Heat map of log 2 transformed gene expression of transcripts in FPKM between  $T_{FR}$  cells from SIV uninfected and infected RM.

Supplementary Figure 2. PCR and flow cytometry validation of RNA-sequencing data.

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Supplementary Figure 2. PCR and flow cytometry validation of RNA-sequencing data. Relative RNA transcript levels of key  $T_{FH}$  and  $T_{REG}$  genes (A) and XIAP (B) in  $T_{FH}$ ,  $T_{FR}$  and  $T_{REG}$  populations from five SIV uninfected RM measured by RT-PCR. (C) Change in expression of genes post SIV-infection in sorted  $T_{FR}$  cells from 5 infected and 5 uninfected RM. All genes were normalized to the housekeeping gene, GAPDH. (D) Levels of IL21 expression as measured by low cytometry following PMA/ionomycin stimulatoion in  $T_{FH}$ ,  $T_{FR}$  and  $T_{REG}$  populations and representative FACS plot derived from LN of SIV uninfected RM. For this analysis  $T_{FR}$  cells were defined as CXCR5\*PD1<sup>hi</sup>CD127\*CD25\* cells.

Supplementary Table 1. Quantification of  $T_{FH}$  and  $T_{FR}$  cells by immunohistochemistry.

Animal	Timepoint	Number of TFH	Number of TFR	TFR/TFH Ratio
RM1	Uninfected	43	4	0.093
	Uninfected	72	6	0.083
RM2	Uninfected	57	6	0.105
	Uninfected	38	2	0.052
RM3	Acute Infection	67	6	0.089
	Acute Infection	47	5	0.106
RM4	Acute Infection	78	9	0.115
	Acute Infection	60	7	0.116
RM5	Chronic Infection	139	4	0.028
	Chronic Infection	95	4	0.042
RM6	Chronic Infection	66	3	0.045
	Chronic Infection	89	5	0.056

Supplementary Table 1. Quantification of  $T_{FH}$  and  $T_{FR}$  cells by immunohistochemistry. Number of  $T_{FH}$  and  $T_{FR}$  cells counted per unit area within individual representative germinal centers of RM.  $T_{FH}$  cells were identified as CD4+PD1+ cell and  $T_{FR}$  cells were identified as CD4+PD1+ cells.