

Figure S1: Spleen histology of BALB/c mice infected with wild type and $\Delta rpoE1$ *B. abortus* strains. At 1 week post-infection spleens were harvested, and fixed before histology slides were prepared. Uninfected (naïve), WT-infected or $\Delta rpoE1$ -infected mice spleens were H&E stained and *Brucella* antigen was visualized using immunohistochemistry with an anti-*Brucella* antibody. Scale bars are 100 μ m.

