Central Role of CD169⁺ Lymph Node Resident Macrophages in the Adjuvanticity of the QS-21 Component of AS01.

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Supplementary Figures



Supplementary Figure 1. Intracellular cytokine stain. Following antigenic peptide restimulation, T cells were gated on either CD4 or CD8-positive cells and IL-2, IFN- γ or TNF production was assessed. One mouse immunised with antigen alone and one mouse immunised with QS-21-adjuvanted antigen are shown.



Supplementary Figure 2. Related to figure 4. A) 6 days after clodronate liposome injection, the draining (iliac) and non-draining (cervical) lymph nodes were recovered and stained with DAPI (nuclei - blue) and anti-CD169 (red) antibodies. B) DLNs were recovered at day 6 post clodronate liposome (CL) injection. Monocytes (Lin⁻CD11b⁺ Ly6C⁺ Ly6G⁻), neutrophils (SSC^{hi} Lin⁻ CD11b⁺ Ly6C^{int} Ly6G⁺) and dendritic cells (Lin⁻CD11c⁺ IA/IE^{hi}) were quantified by flow cytometry (n=4-5).



Supplementary Figure 3. Related to figure 5. 24h after PBS or QS-21 injection, dendritic cell and CD169+ cell subset frequencies in WT and Batf3^{-/-} mice were analysed by flow cytometry.



Supplementary Figure 4. *Antigen-specific T cell responses are normal in IL-18 and IL-1R KO mice.* A-B) WT and IL-18 KO mice were immunised as in figure 1A. At day 21, cytokine production (IL-2, IFN-γ, TNF) of HBs-specific CD4 (A) and CD8 (C) T cells were evaluated by intracellular staining. The data is represented as median of 6 (Ag) or 20 (QS-21) mice. CD4 T cell polyfunctionality index was calculated as described (B) and the frequency of OVA-specific circulating CD8 T-cells (D) was assessed by pentamer staining (Ag: n=6, QS-21: n=20). WT and IL-1 receptor KO mice were immunised as in 1A. At day 21, cytokine production (IL-2, IFN-γ, TNF) of HBs-specific CD4 (E) and CD8 (G) T cells were evaluated by intracellular staining. The data is represented as the median value of 4 (Ag) or 16 (QS-21) mice. The CD4 T cell polyfunctionality index was calculated as described (F) and the frequency of OVA-specific circulating CD8 T-cells (H) were assessed by pentamer staining (Ag: n=6, QS-21: n=16)



Supplementary Figure 5. *Antibody production partially depends on IL-18 and IL-1Rmediated signalling events.* WT and IL-18 KO (A) or IL1-R KO (B) mice were immunised as in 1A. Anti-HBs IgG1 and IgG2c in the serum at day 21 were measured by ELISA (Ag: n=4-5, QS-21: n=20). Each point represents a single mouse and the horizontal bar represents the geometric mean. Statistical significance was determined by a non-parametric Mann Whitney t-test. The data represents a pool of 2 independent experiments.



Supplementary Figure 6. Uncropped immunoblots for Figure 6B