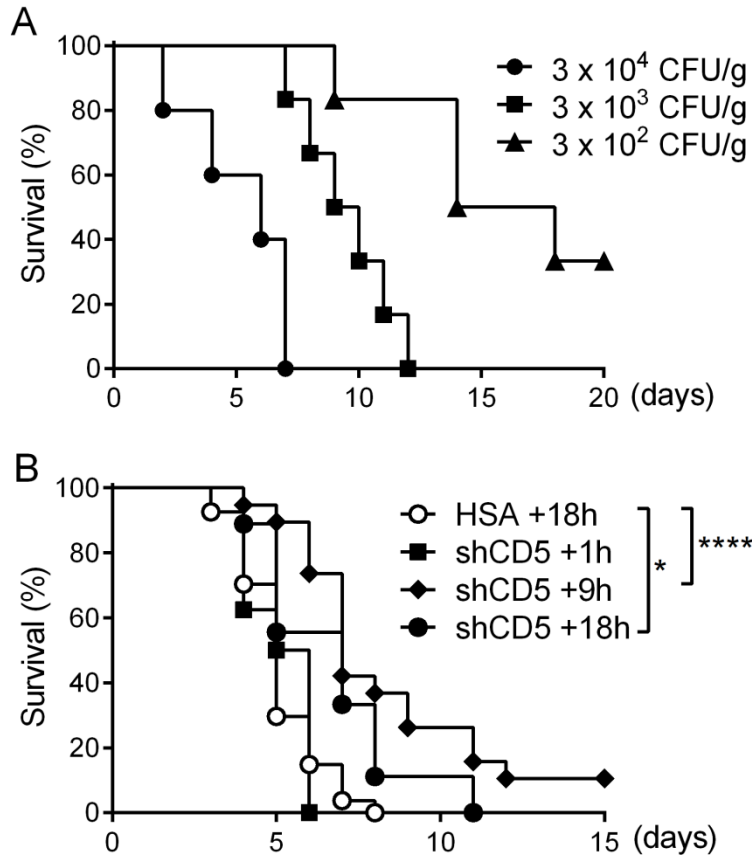


1 SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Supplementary Figure 1



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3 **Supplementary Figure 1. Lethality of different *C. albicans* inocula in CD1 mice. (A)**

4 Survival percentage over time of CD1 mice infected (*i.v.*) with different *C. albicans* inocula

5 (3×10^2 CFU/g, $n = 6$; 3×10^3 CFU/g, $n = 6$; 3×10^4 CFU/g, $n = 5$). **(B)** Survival

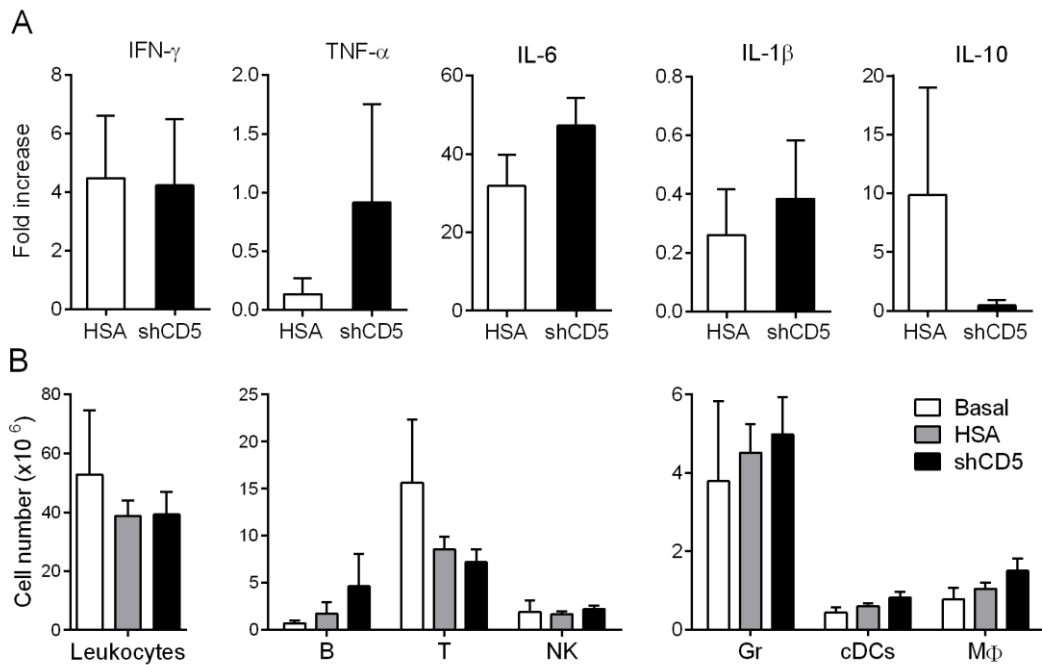
6 percentage over time of CD1 mice infected with *C. albicans* (3×10^4 CFU/g, *i.v.*) and

7 treated with single HSA ($n = 27$) or shCD5 doses (1.25 mg/kg, *i.v.*) at different time points

8 (hours) post-infection (+1h, $n = 8$; +9h, $n = 19$; +18h $n = 9$). Statistical differences between

9 groups were analyzed by Log-rank (Mantel-Cox) test. *, $P \leq 0.05$; ****, $P \leq 0.0001$.

Supplementary Figure 2



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11 **Supplementary Figure 2. Effect of shCD5 infusion on serum cytokine levels and spleen**

12 **leukocyte infiltration from *C. albicans*-infected CD1 mice. (A)** Serum cytokine levels at

13 72 h post-infection of CD1 mice with *C. albicans* (3×10^3 CFU/g, *i.v.*) and treated (*i.v.*)

14 with single 1.25 mg/kg dose of HSA (n = 7) or shCD5 (n = 7) at 18 h post-infection.

15 Represented are fold inductions with regard to non-infected mice (basal, n = 4). (B)

16 leukocyte (CD45⁺), B (B220⁺CD3⁻), T (CD3⁺B220⁻), natural killer (NK, NK1.1⁺CD3⁻)

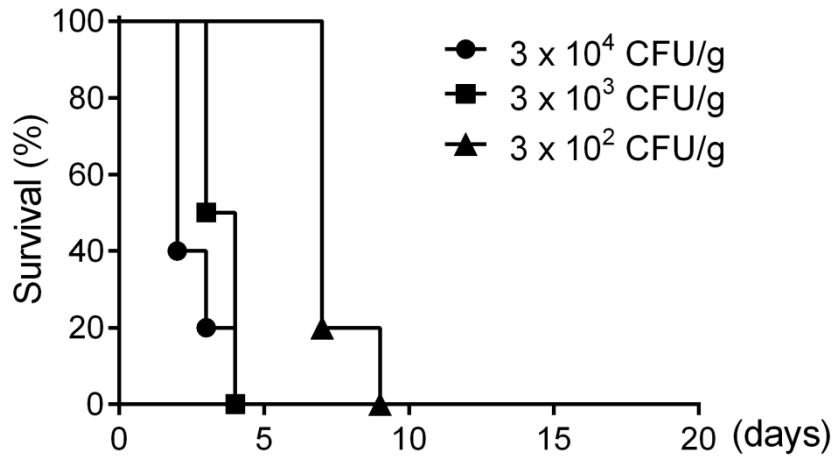
17 granulocytes (Gr, Gr-1⁺SSC^{hi}), conventional dendritic cells (cDCs, CD11c⁺B220⁻), and

18 macrophage (M ϕ , CD11c⁻Gr-1^{low}SSC^{low}) cell numbers assessed by flow cytometry from the

19 same mice as in A. Statistical differences between groups were analysed by Kruskal–Wallis

20 and Dunn's test. *, $P \leq 0.05$.

Supplementary Figure 3



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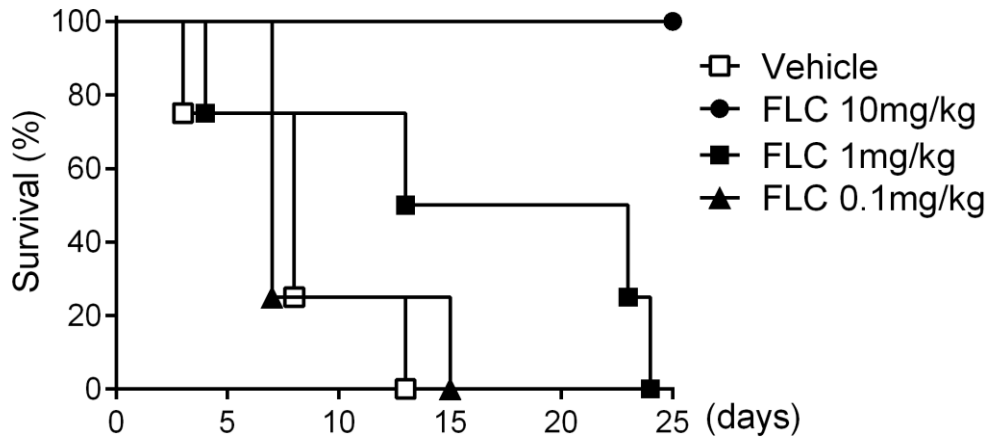
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23 **Supplementary Figure 3. Lethality of different *C. albicans* inocula in immunodeficient**

24 **NSG mice.** Survival percentage over time of NSG mice infected (*i.v.*) with different *C.*

25 *albicans* inocula (3×10^2 CFU/g, n = 5; 3×10^3 CFU/g, n = 4; 3×10^4 CFU/g, n = 5).

Supplementary Fig. 4



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28 **Supplementary Figure 4. Dose-response effects of fluconazole in *C. albicans*-infected**

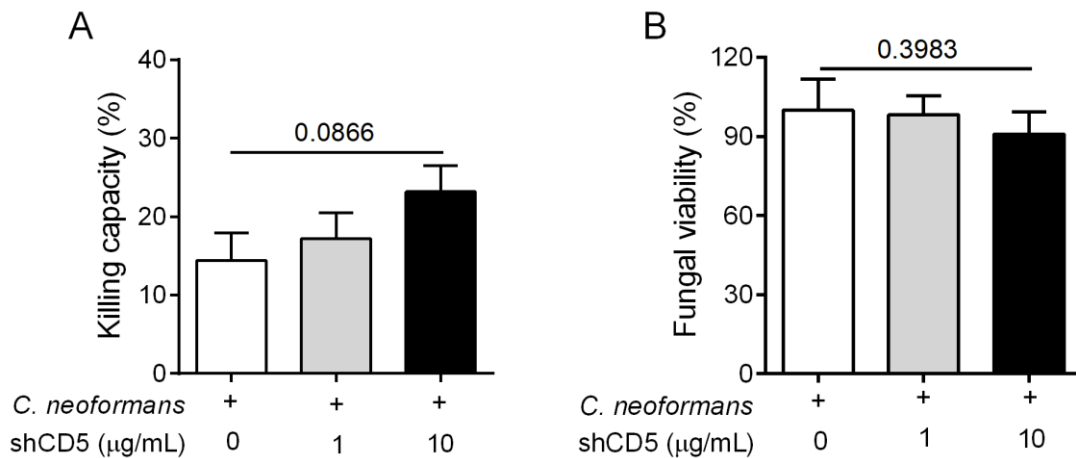
29 **mice.** Survival percentage over time of CD1 mice infected with *C. albicans* (3×10^3

30 CFU/g, *i.v.*) and treated daily (*i.p.*) for 1 week with vehicle ($n = 4$) or different fluconazole

31 doses (FLC, 10 mg/kg, $n = 4$; 1 mg/kg, $n = 4$; 0.1 mg/kg, $n = 4$) starting at 48 h post

32 infection.

Supplementary Figure 5



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34 **Figure 5. Ex vivo analysis of shCD5-mediated anti-cryptococcal effects.** (A) Percentage
35 of killed *C. neoformans* following 2 h co-cultivation of total CD1 splenocytes (10⁶
36 cells/mL) with live *C. neoformans* (0.5 x 10⁶ CFU/mL) in the presence of vehicle or shCD5
37 (1 or 10 µg/mL). Results are the mean ± SEM from n = 10 mice. (B) Percent of viable *C.*
38 *neoformans* following 2 h exposure of live *C. neoformans* (0.5 x 10⁶ CFU/mL) to vehicle or
39 shCD5 (1 or 10 mg/mL). Results are the mean ± SD of 6 replicates. Statistical differences
40 between groups were analysed by Kruskal–Wallis and Dunn’s test. *, $P \leq 0.05$.