Supporting Information:

Differential antigenic requirements by diverse MR1-restricted T cells

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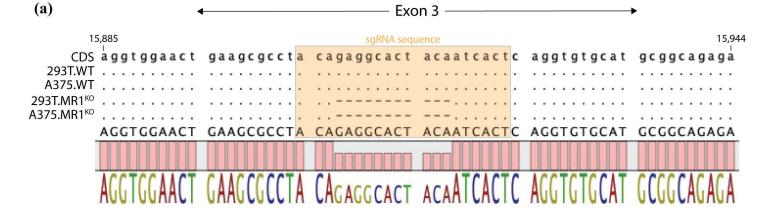
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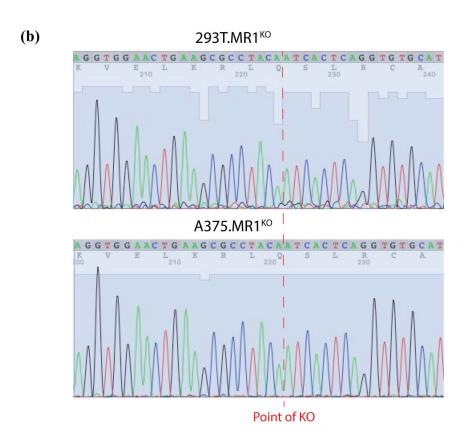
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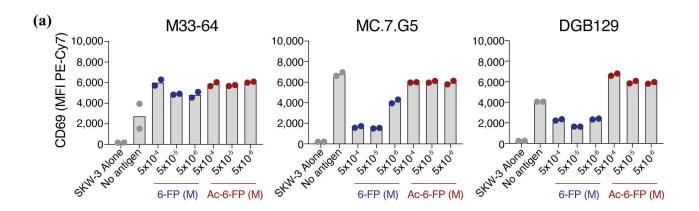
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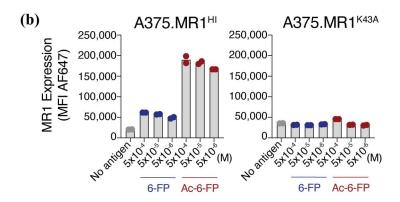
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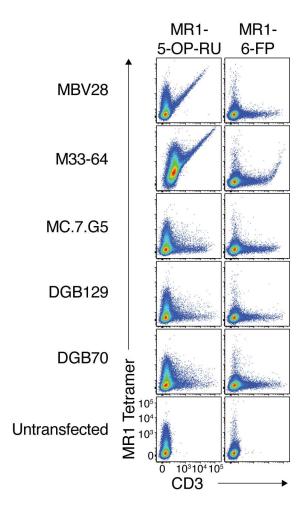


Supplementary Figure 1: Sequence verification of CRISPR/Cas9-mediated knockout of MR1 in 293T and A375 cells. (a) Alignment of nucleotide sequences of exon 3 of MR1 from position 15,885 to 15,944 from cDNA derived from 293T.WT, A375.WT, 293T.MR1^{KO} and A375.MR1^{KO} cell lines. The coding sequence (CDS) is shown at the top and is derived from NCBI reference ID NM_001531.3. Dots represent nucleotides identical to that of the CDS. Dashes represent the absence of a nucleotide. The sequence of the sgRNA used during CRISPR/Cas9-mediated knockout is highlighted in orange. Alignment was generated using CLC Main Workbench 8 (Qiagen). (b) Sanger Sequencing trace from genomic DNA amplified from 293T.MR1^{KO} and A375.MR1^{KO}. The red dotted line indicated where a stretch of DNA has been removed relative to the MR1 CDS. Traces were generated using 4Peaks software.

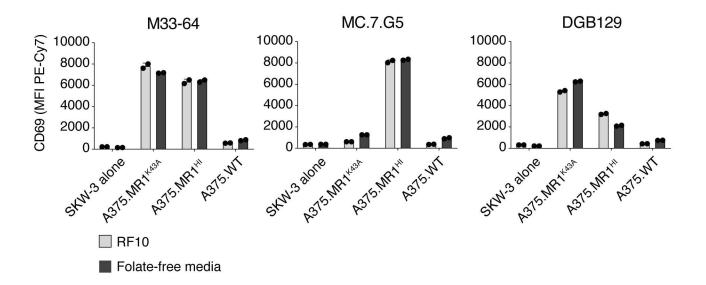




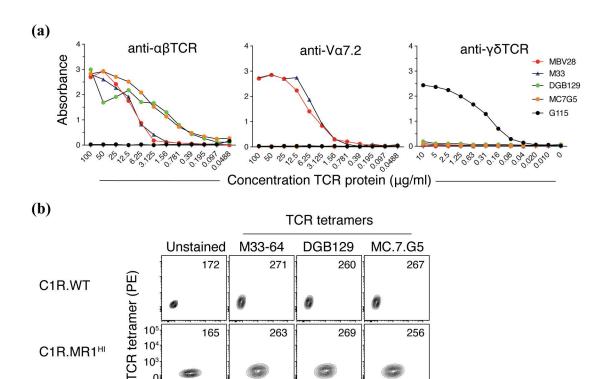
Supplementary Figure 2: Effects on activation by 6-FP and Ac-6-FP. (a) Bar graphs showing activation of TCR-expressing SKW-3 cells as measured by CD69, after co-culture with C1R.MR1^{HI} cells (b) Bar graphs showing the MFI of MR1 expression on A375.MR1^{HI} or A375.MR1^{K43A} cells when pulsed with titrating concentrations of 6-FP or Ac-6-FP. Points on all plots are replicate wells, and data is representative of n = 3 independent experiments.

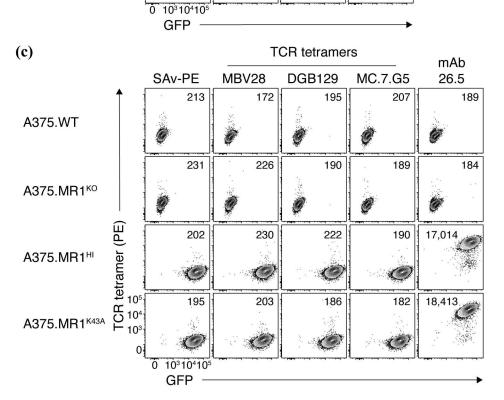


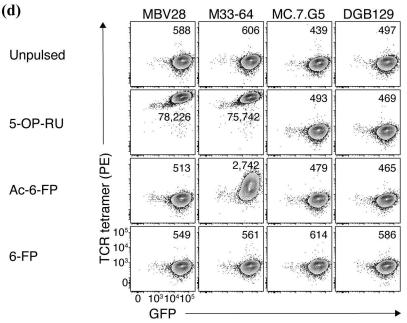
Supplementary Figure 3: MR1 tetramer staining of MR1-restricted TCRs. Flow cytometric contour plots showing MR1-5-OP-RU and MR1-6-FP tetramer staining on 293T cells transiently transfected to express diverse MR1-restricted TCRs. Experiment is representative of 2 independent experiments.



Supplementary Figure 4: Folate-free media has no effect on activation of MR1-restricted TCRs. Bar graphs showing activation of TCR-expressing SKW-3 cells as measured by CD69, after co-culture with a panel of antigen-presenting cell lines that had been cultured for 48 hours in normal RF10 media, or RF10 media that used folate-free RPMI-1640 as a base. Points on plots are replicate wells, and data is representative of n = 2 independent experiments.







Supplementary Figure 5: TCR tetramers fail to stain MR1-overexpressing cell lines. (a) ELISA showing binding of anti-αβTCR, anti-Vα7.2 or anti-γδTCR to soluble TCR proteins. (b-d). Flow cytometric contour plots showing TCR tetramer staining on (b) C1R cell lines, (c) A375 cell lines, or (d) A375.MR1^{HI} cell lines pulsed for 4 hours with 10 μ M 5-OP-RU, 500 μ M Ac-6-FP or 500 μ M 6-FP. Plots are representative of n = 2 independent experiments. Numbers in top right of plots indicate MFI of tetramer staining