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Supplement



Supplement 1: Representative FACS plot of splenic plasma cell subsets from primary immunization response to T-independent antigen (left) vs. B220+CD138- negative staining control (right).



Supplement 2A: miR-146aKO B-cells have higher peptide specific IgG secretion in response to T-dependent antigen than WT. After *in vivo* immunization with T-dependent antigen Keyhole Limpet Hemocyanin (TNP-KLH), KLH specific IgG responses were higher in miR-146aKO than in WT (*t* test;  $*P \le 0.05$ , \*\*P < 0.01). n = 3 mice/group. Data represent mean ± SEM.



Supplement 2B: MiR-146aKO splenic B-cells activated with Tdependent stimuli have higher cell counts than WT. B-cells were stimulated with anti-CD40 (5ug/ml) along with IL-4 (5ng/ml). Representative of 3 mice/group in duplicates or triplicates, confirmed in 2 independent experiments. (*t* test; \*\*\*P < 0.001).



Supplement 3. Representative FACS plots for splenic B220+ cell surface activation markers (top panel) with FMOs (bottom panel).



Supplement 4: *Traf6* expression increases with T-independent antigen stimulation of B-cells. (A) Heatmap from the RNA-Seq data showing differentially expressed IFN targeted genes. miR-146a molecular target, *Traf6*, is highlighted in yellow. (B) Gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA) of genes differentially expressed between WT and miR-146aKO activated B-cells shows enrichment in Interferon  $\gamma$  pathways. 72hrs Normalized Enrichment Score: -1.96; FDR q value: 0.0. 96hrs Normalized Enrichment Score: -1.85; FDR q value: 0.046. (C) Protein expression via Western Blot of TRAF6 in B-cells when stimulated with LPS and (D) CpG. t test; \**P* < 0.05, \*\**P* < 0.01. Data represent mean ± SEM. Graphs combine 3 independent experiments (n = 3-4 mice/group/exp).



**Supplement 5: Traf6 sgRNAs for CRISPR/Cas9.** (A) sgRNAs (sg A and B) location on Exon 8 of *Traf6.* AA codon sequence indicates the detail location. (B) TIDE analysis of engrafted primary bone marrow cells transduced with sg NT, A, and B (GFP+ mCherry+ cells) respectively. Left panel is the sequence, red arrows show the position of double strand breaks (DSBs) that should be introduced by CRISPR/Cas9; right panel is the TIDE results, total eff. means sum for all the types of gene editing. (C) RT-qPCR of downstream *Traf6* gene, *Gbp9*, in LPS-stimulated B-cells treated with DMSO or high dose of C25-140. t test; \*P < 0.05, \*\*P < 0.01.

| Antigen | Clone     |
|---------|-----------|
| B220    | RA3-6B2   |
| CD21    | 7E9       |
| CD23    | B3B4      |
| CD80    | 16-10A1   |
| CD86    | GL-1      |
| CD69    | H1.2F3    |
| CD44    | IM7       |
| CD40    | HM40-3    |
| CD138   | 281-2     |
| CD93    | AA4.1     |
| GL7     | GL7       |
| CD95    | SA367H8   |
| lgD     | 11-26c.2a |
| CD3e    | 145-2C11  |
| CD11b   | M1/70     |
| Ly-6c   | HK1.4     |

Supplementary Table 1. List of antibody stains used in FACS analysis.

| sgRNA     | Sequence                 |
|-----------|--------------------------|
| sg A (F)  | TTTGTCTGGACGACATCCCCGGGA |
| sg A (R)  | AAACTCCCGGGGATGTCGTCCAGA |
| sg B (F)  | TTTGACGGACCATTCGGACCCTGG |
| sg B (R)  | AAACCCAGGGTCCGAATGGTCCGT |
| sg NT (F) | TTTGCGAGGTATTCGGCTCCGCG  |
| sg NT (R) | AAACCGCGGAGCCGAATACCTCG  |
| m-Traf6-F | GCACAAGTGCCCAGTTGAC      |
| m-Traf6-R | TGCAAAATTGTCGGGAAACAGT   |
| m-Cd72-F  | CATACCCTCGGAAGTCTGGA     |
| m-Cd72-R  | GCCTCCACTTCTTGCTCATC     |
| m-Ccng1-F | TAAGTGGCCGAGATTTGACC     |
| m-Ccng1-R | ATGGTCTCAGGAATCGTTGG     |
| m-Gbp9-F  | TGTGCAGTCTCAGACCAAGG     |
| m-Gbp9-R  | AAGCACACTTAGGGCGAAGA     |

## Supplementary Table 2. sgRNA and primer sequences used in this study.