

Supplementary Figures

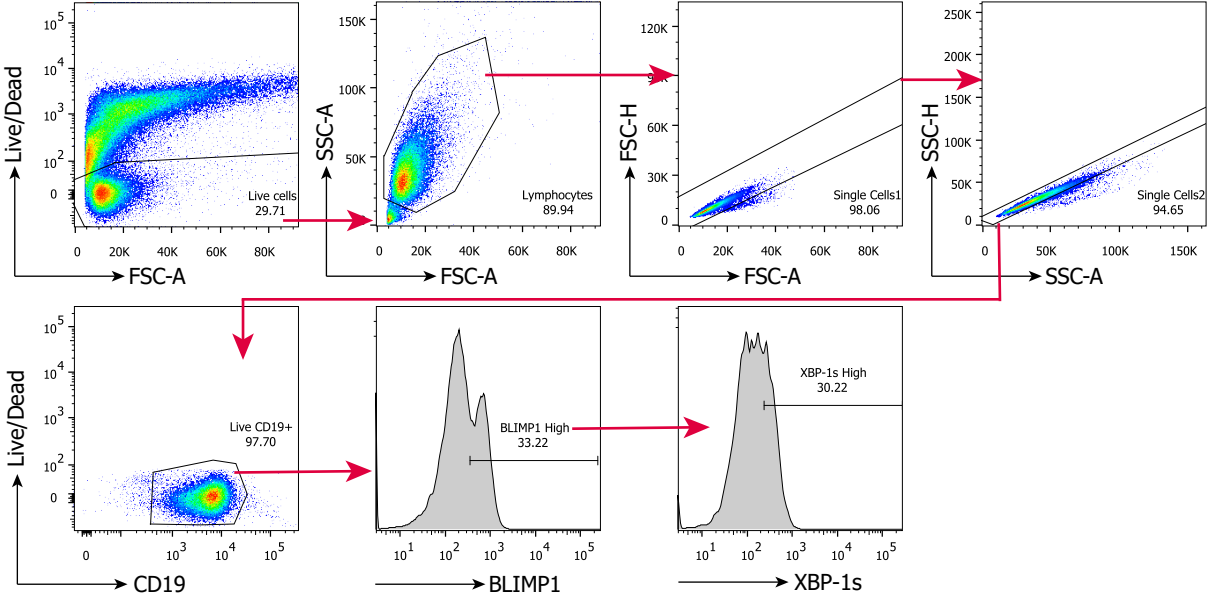


Figure S1. Representative gating strategy of B cells after culture. First live cells are gated based on viability dye and FSC-A, subsequently lymphocytes are gated using FSC-A and SSC-A, two gates to select singles, based on FSC and SSC A and H parameters. Finally cells were gated as live, CD19+ whereupon specific phenotyping and transcription factor markers were gated. Example gating strategy for BLIMP1 and XBP-1s gates.

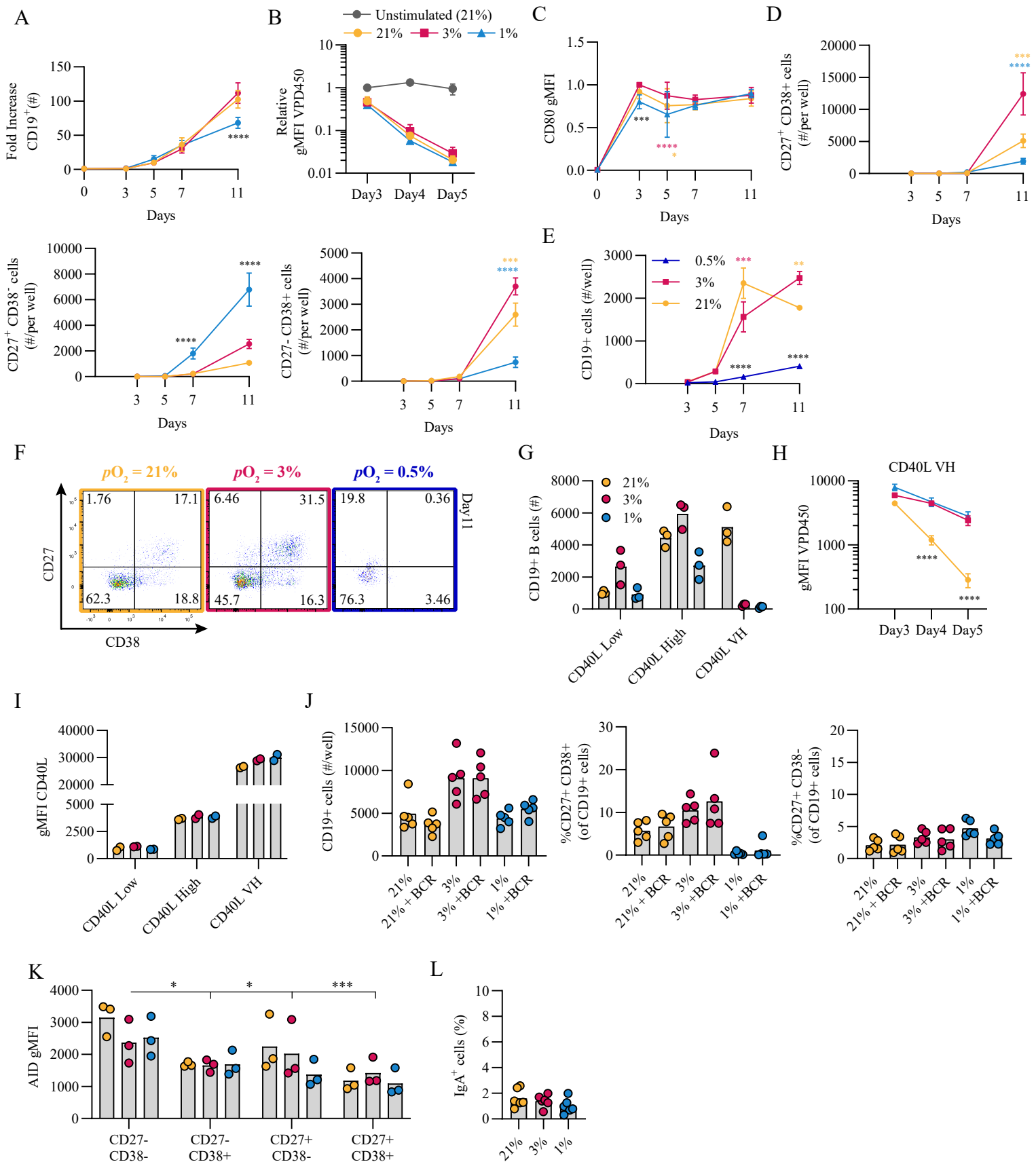


Figure S2. Hypoxia promotes human B cell differentiation *in vitro*. (A) Fold increase in number of CD19⁺ cells over the course of the culture compared to day 0 (250 cells/well, $n = 9$). (B) Proliferation ($n = 3$). (C) gMFI CD80 ($n = 6$). (D) The number of CD19⁺ cells retrieved per well within the CD27/CD38 quadrants ($n = 9$). (E) Number of live CD19⁺ cells present in cultures using 0.5, 3 and 21% pO₂ at day 11 of culture. (F) Representative CD27/CD38 biaxial plot showing the differentiation of naive B cells at 0.5, 3 and 21% pO₂ at day 11 of culture. (G) Number of live CD19⁺ cells in cultures stimulated with IL-4 + IL-21 and human CD40L low, high or very high (VH) co-stimulation cultured at 21, 3 and 1% pO₂ for 11 days ($n = 3$). (H) As in (G) for proliferation at day 3, 4 and 5 ($n = 3$). (I) Expression levels of human CD40L low, high and very high (VH) expressed on mice 3T3 fibroblast cells cultured at 21, 3 and 1% pO₂ for 5 days ($n = 2$). (J) Number of live CD19⁺ cells, percentage of CD27⁺CD38⁺ and CD27⁺CD38⁻ cells in cultures with and without 1 μg/ml anti-IgM F(ab')₂ cultured for 11 days. ($n = 5$) (K) AID expression within the different CD27/CD38 quadrants ($n = 3$). (L) IgA⁺ B cells after 11 days of culture ($n = 6$). Bars represent means of biological replicates each composed of two technical replicates of (F-I, K) 1, (A, B, J, L) 2 or (C-E) 3 independent experiments. Statistical differences were determined using (B-F) mixed effects model using Tukey's test for multiple comparisons. (H-J) repeated measures one-way

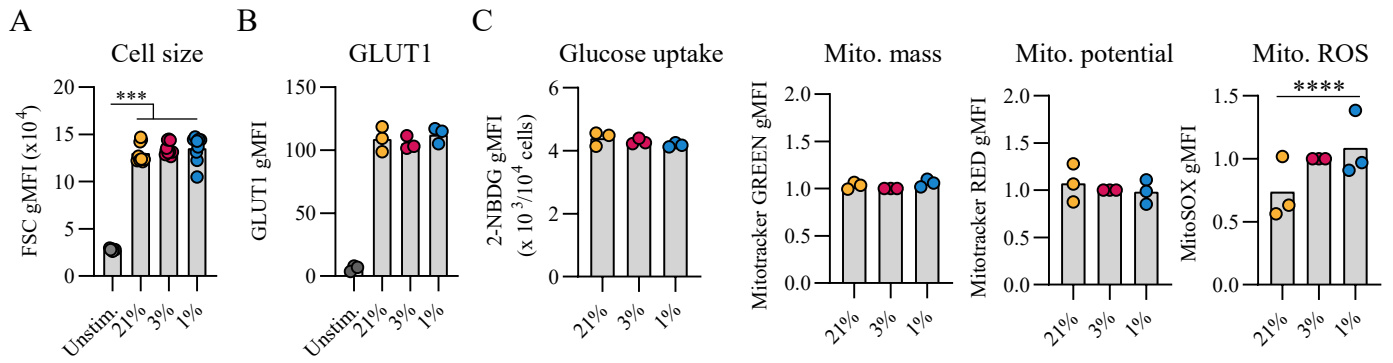


Figure S3. B cell cultured at hypoxic pO_2 alter their metabolic program. At day 7 of culture (A) Cell size determined as gMFI of the forward scatter (FSC, $n=14$), (B) gMFI of GLUT1 expression, and (C) gMFI of 2-NBDG, MitoTracker GREEN, MitoTracker RED, and MitoSOX in cells cultured at differential pO_2 for 11 days ($n=3$). Bars represent means of biological replicates each composed of two technical replicates of (A) 2 (B-C) or 1 independent experiments. Statistical differences were determined using repeated measures one-way ANOVA using Tukey's test for multiple comparisons. *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$.

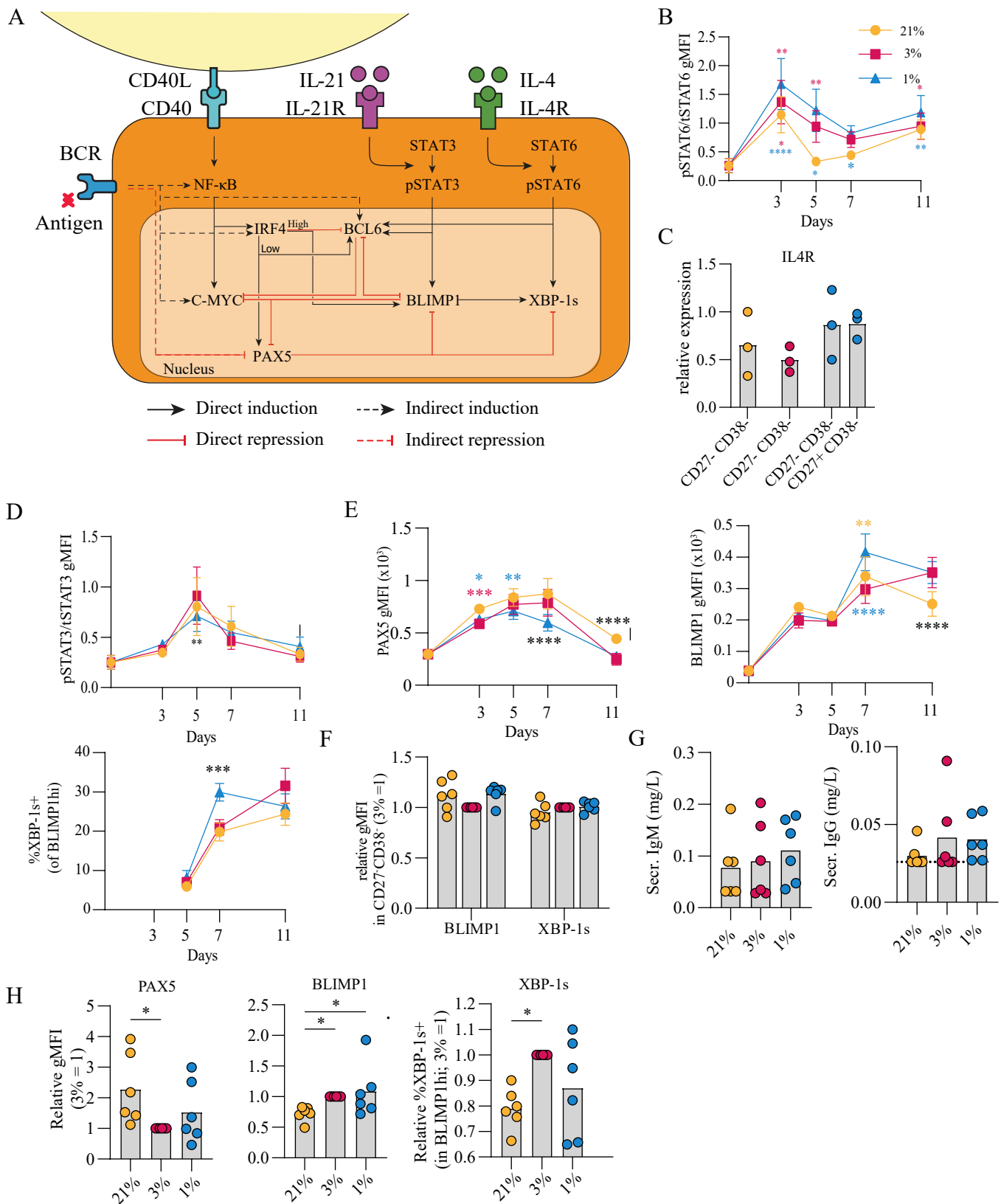


Figure S4 pO_2 steers molecular signaling underlying B cell differentiation (A) Schematic representation of intracellular signaling events leading to TF expression regulation upon B cell stimulation with typical T_{fh} signals including CD40L, IL-21 and IL-4. (B) ratio of pSTAT6/tSTAT6 gMFI ($n = 6$). (C) Relative expression of IL-4R mRNA as determined by RT-qPCR ($n = 3$). (D) ratio of pSTAT3/tSTAT3 gMFI ($n = 6$) (E) gMFI of PAX5, BLIMP1 and %XBP-1s over time ($n = 6$) (F) gMFI of BLIMP1 and XBP-1s within CD27⁻ CD38⁻ population. ($n = 6$) (G) secreted IgM and IgG as measured by ELISA on day 7 of culture ($n = 6$) (H) gMFI of PAX5, BLIMP1 and %XBP-1s at day 11 ($n = 6$). Bars represent means of biological replicates each composed of two technical replicates of (B, D-H) 2 or (C) 1 independent experiments. Statistical differences were determined using (B, D-E) mixed-effects analysis using Tukey's test for multiple comparisons or (C, F-H) using repeated measures one-way ANOVA using Tukey's test for multiple comparisons. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$.

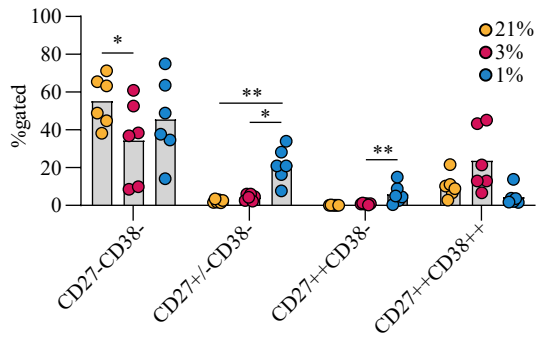


Figure S5 hypoxic pO_2 leads to generation of pre-ASC CD27⁺ B cell subset. (A) Quantification of cells in CD27⁻CD38⁻, CD27^{+/+}CD38⁻, CD27⁻CD38⁺, CD27^{+/+}CD38⁺ gates on day 11 of culture ($n = 6$) ($n = 5$) Bars represent means of biological replicates each composed of two technical replicates of 1 independent experiment. Statistical differences were determined using mixed effects analysis using Tukey's test for multiple comparisons * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$

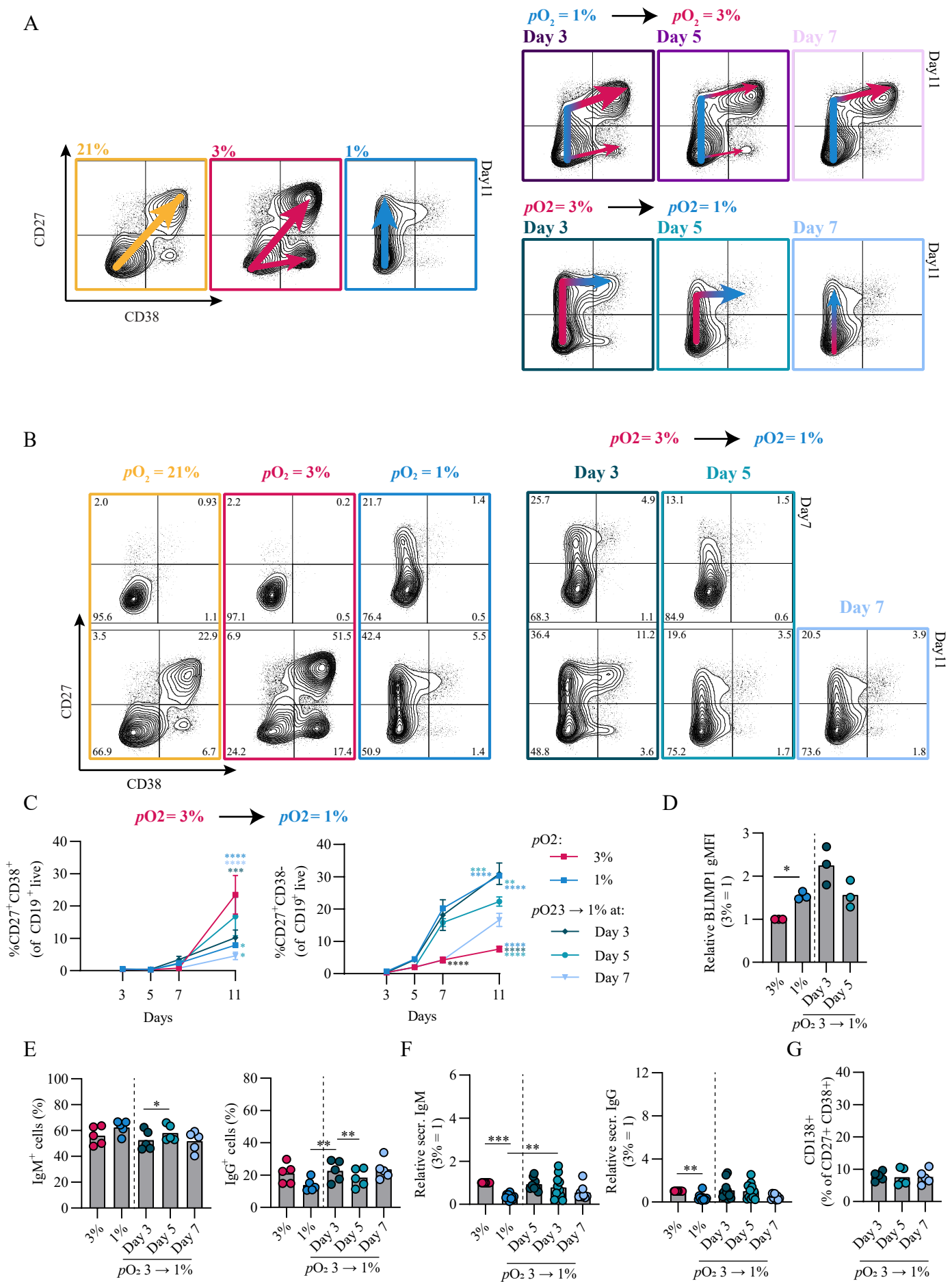


Figure S6. Time-dependent pO_2 transitions alter B cell differentiation dynamics and promote CSR to IgG. (A) Schematic representation of CD27/CD38 differentiation trajectories of human naive B cells *in vitro* (B) Representative biaxial CD27/CD38 FACS plots of 21, 3 and 1% pO_2 cultures and 3 - 1% pO_2 transition cultures at day 3, 5 and 7 shown for day 7 and 11 of culture. (C) Quantification of CD27⁺CD38⁺ and CD27⁺CD38⁻ B cell formation ($n = 11$) (D) gMFI of BLIMP1 at day 7 ($n = 3$) (E) Frequency of IgM⁺ and IgG⁺ cells determined by intracellular flow cytometry ($n = 5$) (F) and cumulative IgM and IgG secretion in culture supernatants at day 11 in 3 and 1% pO_2 cultures and 3 - 1% pO_2 transition cultures ($n = 11$). (G) CD138 expression within the CD27⁺CD38⁺ ASC population ($n = 5$). Bars represent means of biological replicates each composed of two technical replicates of (C, F) 3, (E, G) 2, or (D) 1 independent experiment. Statistical differences were determined using mixed-effects analysis using Tukey's test for multiple comparisons. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$.