

Supplemental Data

Epstein-Barr virus LMP2A signalling *in statu nascendi* reveals a B cell antigen receptor-like activation signal

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Supplemental Experimental Procedures

Cre/LoxP Recombination System

The Cre/LoxP recombination system is based on DT40 B cells expressing a fusion protein encompassing a central Cre recombinase flanked on either side by a mutated version of the estrogen receptor hormone binding domain (MerCreMer), which is retained in the cytoplasm through association to HSP90. Upon treatment of the cells with 4-hydroxytamoxifen (4-HT) the MerCreMer fusion protein detaches from HSP90 and enters the nucleus.

Confocal Microscopy and Time Lapse Video Imaging of Fluo3-loaded Cells

10⁶ DT40 cells were loaded in 700 µl RPMI containing 5 % FCS, 1.5 µM Fluo3-AM (Molecular Probes) at 30°C for 25 min. Subsequently the cell suspension was diluted 2-fold with RPMI + 10 % FCS and incubated at 37°C for 10 min. Cells were washed twice and resuspended in Krebs Ringer solution containing 1 mM CaCl₂ and seeded onto Lab-Tek chamberslides (Nunc, Wiesbaden, Germany). Samples were examined on a Leica TCS SP confocal laser scanning microscope. Images were taken every 20 s for 30 min and converted into Quick Time Movies.

Supplemental Figures

Figure S1 (Quick Time Movies). Time Lapse Video Imaging of Ca^{2+} Flux in LMP2A-expressing DT40 cells

Cells were left untreated **(A)** or induced to express LMP2A with 4-HT for 14 hours **(B)**. Subsequently, cells were loaded with Fluo3-AM and Ca^{2+} mobilization was analyzed as described in Supplemental Experimental Procedures.