

Supplementary Material

Calcium Signaling in T Cells Is Induced by Binding to Nickel-Chelating Lipids in Supported Lipid Bilayers

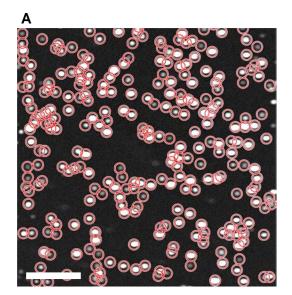
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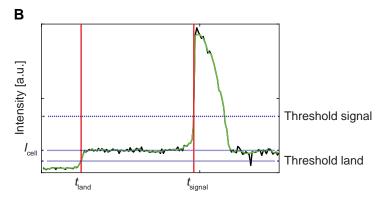
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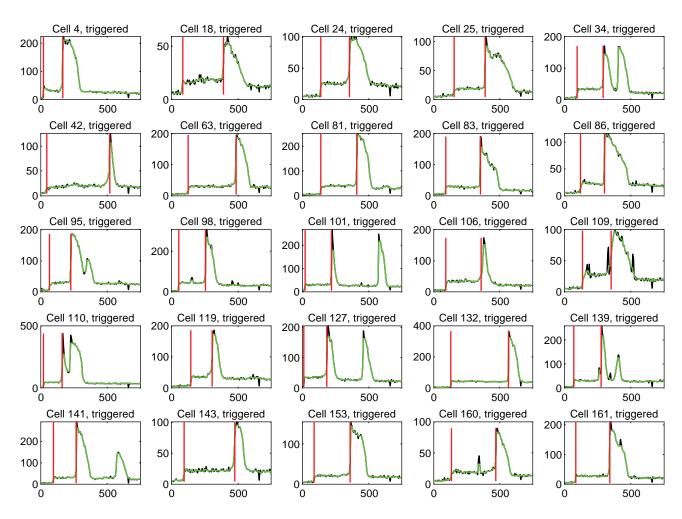
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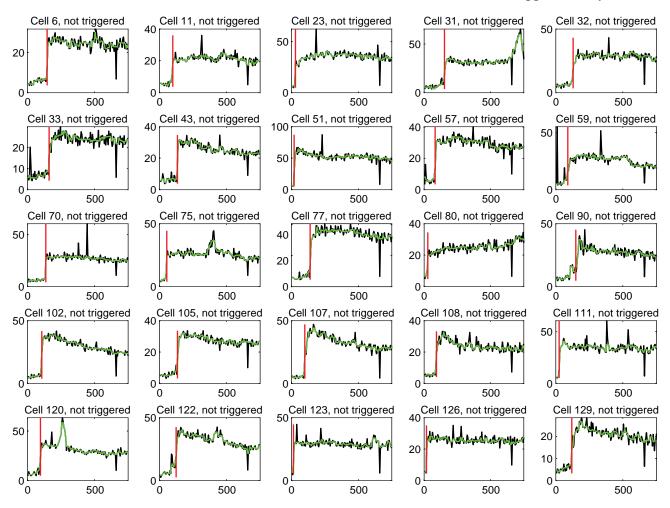




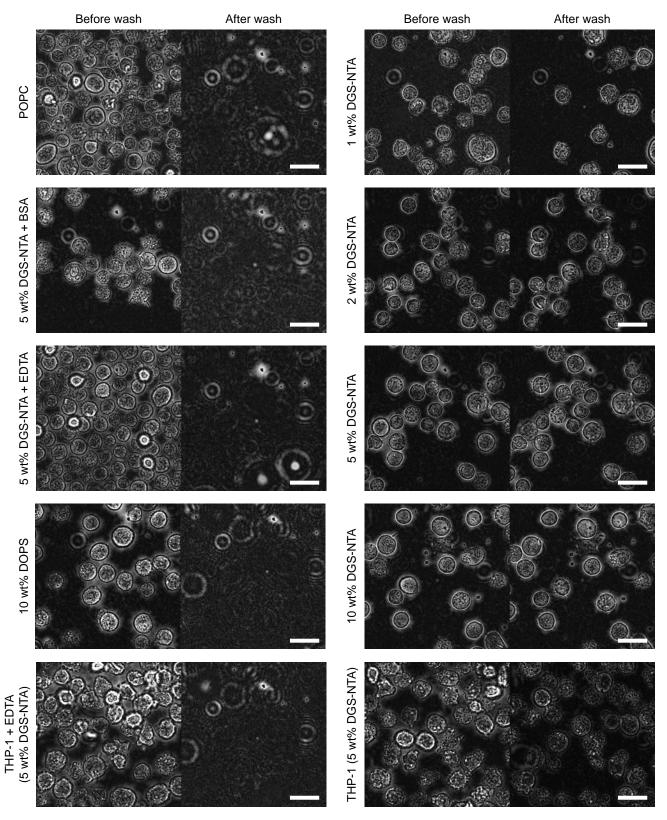
Supplementary Figure 1. The signaling fraction and signaling time was determined using a custom-written MATLAB script. (**A**) Image showing bound and detected cells. Each red circle corresponds to one detected cell. The scale bar is 100 μ m. (**B**) Intensity profile from one detected cell in A at different image frames (black line: raw data, green line: moving median-filtered data). The cell landed at t_{land} and signaled at t_{signal} , defined by the intensity increasing above "Threshold land" and "Threshold signal", respectively. The first of these thresholds is user set, whereas the second is given by $2.5 \times I_{\text{cell}}$, where I_{cell} is the intensity of the non-signaling cell.



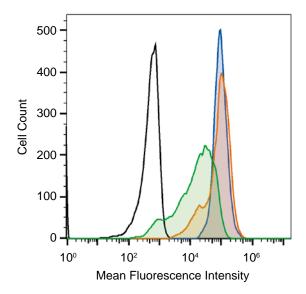
Supplementary Figure 2. Examples of intensity traces for different signaling cells (black line: raw data, green line: moving median-filtered data). The first red line corresponds to the time when the cell lands and the second red line the time when the cell signals. The *y*-axis shows the intensity in arbitrary units and the *x*-axis the time in seconds.



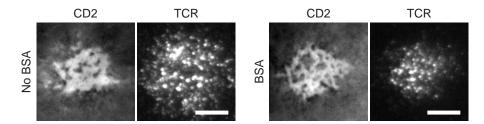
Supplementary Figure 3. Examples of intensity traces for different non-signaling cells (black line: raw data, green line: moving median-filtered data). The red line corresponds to the time when the cell lands. The *y*-axis shows the intensity in arbitrary units and the *x*-axis the time in seconds.



Supplementary Figure 4. Cells attach to SLBs containing ≥ 2 wt% DGS-NTA. The figures show bright field images before (*left*) and after (*right*) washing for different SLB systems. All cells are Jurkat T cells except the lowest row which are THP-1 cells. The scale bar is 20 μ m in all images.



Supplementary Figure 5. Cell surface expression of CD3, CD48 and CD45. Mean fluorescence intensity of the isotype PE α-mouse IgG1 (black line), PE α-human CD3 (green line), PE α-rat CD48 (orange line) and PE α-human CD45 (blue line). Quantibrite analysis was used to convert the intensity to an average number of molecules per cell: CD3 = 7 700 molecules per cell (TCR = CD3/2 = 3 900 molecules per cell), CD45 = 59 000 molecules per cell and CD48 = 47 000 molecules per cell.



Supplementary Figure 6. Fluorescence images of representative cell-SLB contacts in the CD2 and the TCR channel without (*left*) and with (*right*) BSA blocking. The SLBs contained 10 wt% DGS-NTA(Ni) and had \sim 700 CD2 molecules per μ m². The scale bar is 5 μ m.

Supplementary Movie Legends

Supplementary Movie 1. Fluo4-AM fluorescence signal for Jurkat T cells binding to a ligand-free SLB containing 2 wt% DGS-NTA(Ni). The entire movie is 750 seconds long and the scale bar is 50 µm.

Supplementary Movie 2. Fluo4-AM fluorescence signal for Jurkat T cells binding to a ligand-free SLB containing 5 wt% DGS-NTA(Ni). The entire movie is 750 seconds long and the scale bar is 50 µm.

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Supplementary Movie 4. Fluo4-AM fluorescence signal for Jurkat T cells binding to an OKT3-coated glass slide. The entire movie is 750 seconds long and the scale bar is 50 μ m.

Supplementary Movie 5. Fluo4-AM fluorescence signal for Jurkat T cells binding to a 5 wt% DGS-NTA(Ni) SLB functionalized with 322 CD2 molecules per μ m². The entire movie is 750 seconds long and the scale bar is 50 μ m.

Supplementary Movie 6. Fluo4-AM fluorescence signal for Jurkat T cells binding to a 10 wt% DGS-NTA(Ni) SLB functionalized with 1236 CD2 molecules per μ m². The entire movie is 750 seconds long and the scale bar is 50 μ m.

Supplementary Movie 7. Fluo4-AM fluorescence signal for Jurkat T cells binding to a BSA-blocked SLB containing 10 wt% DGS-NTA(Ni) and being functionalized with 2321 CD2 molecules per μ m². The entire movie is 750 seconds long and the scale bar is 50 μ m.

Supplementary Movie 8. Fluo4-AM fluorescence signal for Jurkat T cells binding to a 10 wt% DGS-NTA(Ni) SLB functionalized with 629 L3-12 TCR molecules per μ m². The signaling fraction of cells was determined to 0.52 and the average signaling time to 220 s. The entire movie is 750 seconds long and the scale bar is 50 μ m.

Supplementary Movie 9. Fluo4-AM fluorescence signal for Jurkat T cells binding to a BSA-blocked SLB containing 10 wt% DGS-NTA(Ni) and being functionalized with 1930 L3-12 TCR molecules per μ m². The signaling fraction of cells was determined to 0.05 and the average signaling time to 250 s. The entire movie is 750 seconds long and the scale bar is 50 μ m.