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Supplementary data

Supplemental Materials

Human IgG1 mAbs directed to HLA (Supplementary Table S1) were produced by hybridoma technology as previously described,¹ and purified using protein A. Antibodies directed to CD62P (clone AK-4), C3b/iC3b (clone 3E7/C3b), CD41 (clone HIP8) and human IgG Fc (clone HP60717) were obtained from BioLegend (San Diego, CA, USA). Anti-C5b-9 (A227) was from Complement Technology (Tyler, TX, USA). Anti-CD42a (clone ALMA.16) was from BD Biosciences (San Jose, CA, USA). Blocking antibody anti-CD32a (clone IV.3) was from Bio X Cell (West Lebanon, NH, USA). Syk inhibitor IV (BAY 61-3606) was obtained from Merck (Kenilworth, NJ, USA). Monoclonal anti-C5 antibody Eculizumab was from Alexion Pharmaceuticals (New Haven, CT, USA). Monoclonal blocking antibody anti-C1q-85 has been described before,².3 Anti-C4 antibody clone C4-10⁴ was from Sanquin Research (Amsterdam, The Netherlands). Human plasma derived purified C1-inhibitor (Cetor®) was from Sanquin Blood Supply Foundation (Amsterdam, The Netherlands), gel filtration was used as extra purification step. Live/dead marker near IR fluorescent reactive dye and fluo-4 were from Thermo Fisher Scientific (Waltham, MA, USA). Calcein violet was from BioLegend. Fc:Fc interaction-blocking peptide DCAWHLGELVWCT⁵ and control peptide GWTVFQKRLDGSV⁶ were synthesized by JPT Peptide Technologies (Berlin, Germany).

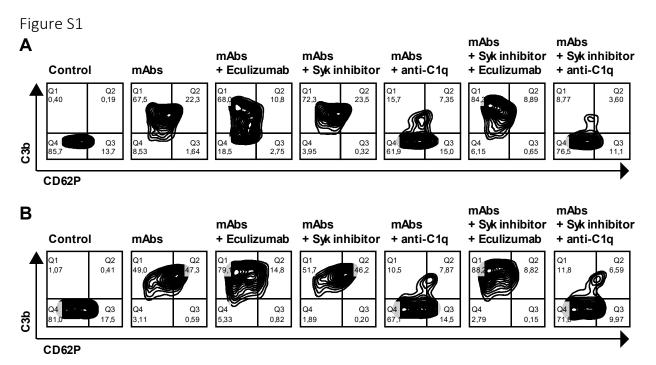


Figure S1. Platelet activation occurs via complement activation and Syk-dependent activation. A mix of anti-HLA mAbs was used to induce platelet complement activation and platelet activation (CD62P exposure). Complement and/or Syk-dependent activation was inhibited by pre-incubation with Syk inhibitor IV (5 μM), anti-C1q (50μg/mI), Eculizumab (10 μg/mI) or a combination of these inhibitors. (A) 20 μg/mI of SN607D8, SN230G6, GV5D1 and GV2D5 was used to induce complement activation. (B) 20 μg/mI of SN607D8 and SN230G6 was used to induce complement activation. These data confirm that platelet activation induced by anti-HLA antibodies occurs via both complement dependent activation (reduced CD62P exposure upon pre-incubation with either anti-C1q or Eculizumab) and Syk-dependent activation (reduced CD62P exposure upon pre-incubation with Syk inhibitor IV). A combination of a complement inhibitor and Syk inhibitor IV completely blocks CD62P exposure.

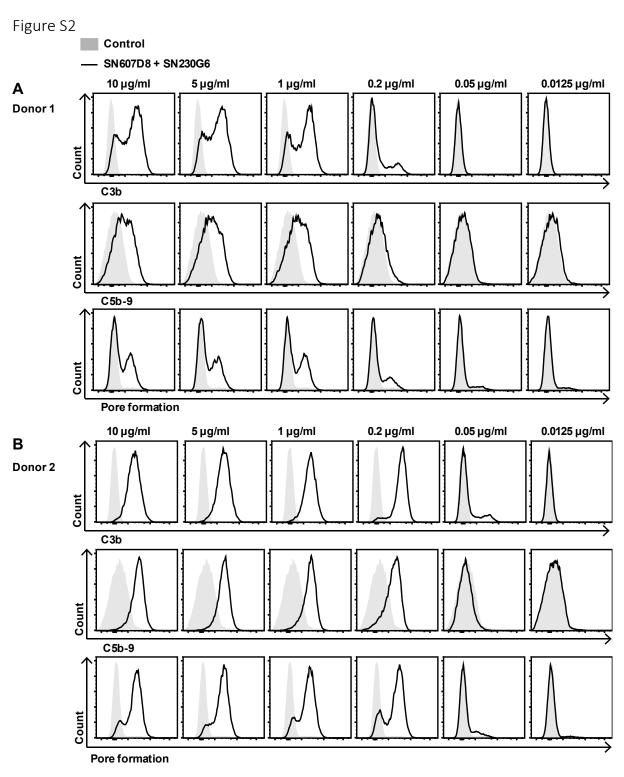


Figure S2. Comparison of anti-HLA antibody induced C3b deposition, C5b-9 deposition and pore formation. Platelets were incubated with decreasing concentrations of SN607D8 and SN230G6 (10 μ g/ml till 0.0125 μ g/ml) and C3b deposition, C5b-9 deposition and pore formation were measured employing the same samples. (A) Platelets from donor expressing HLA A2 A31 B60. (B) Platelets from a donor expressing HLA A2 A68 B51 B57. Concentration-dependent induction of C3b deposition, C5b-9 deposition and pore formation by anti-HLA antibodies. The signals observed for

both C3b deposition, C5b-9 deposition and pore formation decline at the same concentration of anti-HLA mAbs. Pore formation is not observed for all platelets positive for C3b deposition and C5b-9 complex formation. Dose-response curves for C3b deposition, C5b-9 complex formation and pore formation are platelet donor-dependent.

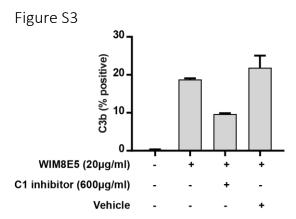


Figure S3. No effect of vehicle control on C3b deposition. Platelets were pre-incubated with either 600 mg/ml C1 inhibitor or an equal volume of vehicle control (PBS). Subsequently 20 μ g/ml WIM8E5 was added and complement deposition of C3b was measured employing flow cytometry. No inhibiting effect of the vehicle was observed.

Figure S4

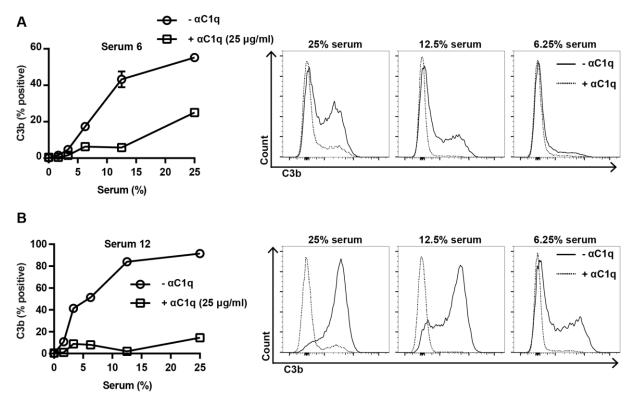
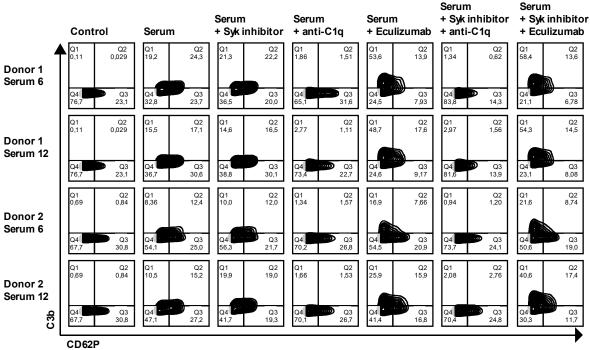


Figure S4. Complement deposition induced by different dilutions of anti-HLA antibodies containing patient sera can be completely inhibited with anti-C1q. Platelet from donor (HLA A2 A31 B40:01) were incubated with different concentrations of HLA antibody containing sera (A: serum 6, matching antibodies A2 B40:01. B: serum 12, matching antibodies A2 B40:01). Complement activation was inhibited with 25 μ g/ml α C1q. Using large volumes of patient sera only partial inhibition of C3b deposition by 25 μ g/ml α C1q was observed. When smaller volumes of sera were used C3b deposition could be completely blocked with 25 μ g/ml α C1q.

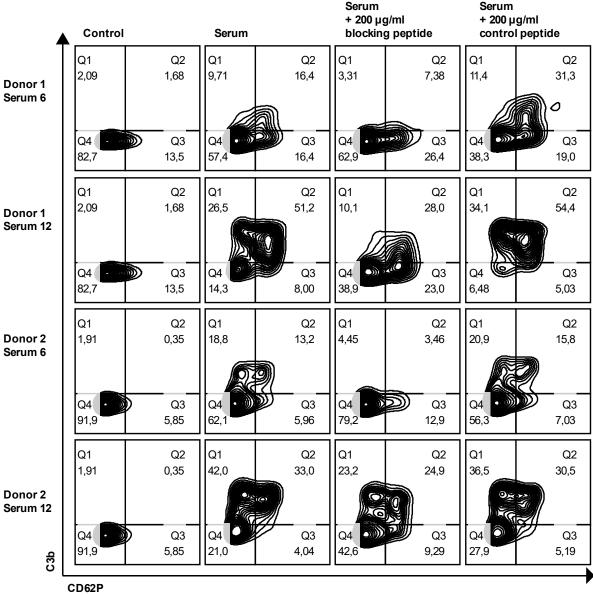
Figure S5



Donor 1: A2 A68 B51 B57 Donor 2: A2 A31 B60 Donor 1 matching antbodies in serum 6: A2 A68 B51 B57 Donor 1 matching antbodies in serum 12: A2 B51 B57 Donor 2 matching antbodies in serum 6: A2 B60 Donor 2 matching antbodies in serum 12: A2 B60

Figure S5. Blocking complement deposition and CD62P exposure induced by anti-HLA antibodies containing patient sera with Syk inhibitor, anti-C1q and Eculizumab. Platelets from 2 donors, with an HLA typing as indicated in the figure, were incubated with anti-HLA antibody containing sera (serum 6 or serum 12) in presence or absence of Syk inhibitor IV (5 μM), anti-C1q (50μg/ml), eculizumab (10 μg/ml) or a combination of these inhibitors. Enhanced C3b deposition and CD62P exposure was observed for all 4 platelet-serum combinations. Limited effect of Syk inhibitor alone on CD62P exposure was observed. Anti-C1q could completely block C3b deposition induced by the sera. Eculizumab inhibited CD62P exposure, but not C3b deposition, and with combinations of Syk inhibitor IV and anti-C1q or Syk inhibitor IV and Eculizumab, CD62P positive events were similar to that of control samples.

Figure S6



Donor 1: A1 A2 B7 B8 Donor 2: A2 A3 B7

Donor 1 matching antbodies in serum 6: A1 A2 Donor 1 matching antbodies in serum 12: A2 B7 Donor 2 matching antbodies in serum 6: A2 Donor 2 matching antbodies in serum 12: A2 B7

Figure S6. Complement deposition induced by anti-HLA antibodies containing patient sera is inhibited by Fc-lgG:lgG blocking peptide. Platelets from 2 donors, with an HLA typing as indicated in the figure, were pre-incubated with anti-HLA antibody containing sera (serum 6 or serum 12) and washed once in assay buffer. Buffer, 200 µg/ml IgG-Fc:Fc blocking peptide or 200 µg/ml control peptide was added following by the addition of serum (as a complement source). Complement deposition was measured by C3b deposition. The IgG-Fc:Fc blocking peptide inhibits complement deposition on platelets induced by anti-HLA antibody containing patient sera.

Figure S7

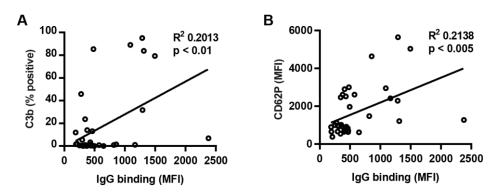


Figure S7 Correlation IgG binding of antibodies in patient sera and C3b deposition and CD62P exposure. Twelve sera (heat inactivated) from refractory patients were incubated with platelets of 3 different donors. Levels of IgG binding, C3b deposition and CD62P exposure were compared. (A) Correlation between IgG binding and C3b deposition. (B) Correlation between IgG binding and CD62P exposure (in absence of human serum (complement source)). Linear regression is indicated in the graphs.

Table S1: HLA monoclonal antibodies

Antibody name	HLA specificity (determined by CDC on large (n>230) panels of HLA typed peripheral blood lymphocytes)							
WIM8E5	A1/A10 (25/26/34/43/66)/A11/A9 (23+24)/A29/A30/A31/A33/A28(68+69)							
SN607D8*	A2/A28(A68/A69)							
SN230G6*	A2/B57/B58							
HDG8D9	B51/B35							
BRO11F6	A3/A11/A24							
DK7C11	B12 (B44/B45)							
OK8F12	B46/B62/B72							
GV5D1 ^{\$}	A1/A9							
GV2D5 ^{\$}	A1							

^{*} SN607D8 and SN230G6 originate from the same patient

^{\$} GV5D1 and GV2D5 originate from the same patient

Table S2: Reactivity of anti-HLA antibodies in patient sera

Serum 1			Serum 2			Serum 3			Serum 4		
Antibodies			Antibodies		HLA C	Antibodie	es		Antibodie	es	
HLA A	HLA B	HLA C	HLA A HLA B			HLA A HLA B		HLA C	HLA A HLA B		HLA C
A3	В7	C1	A11	B8	C03:03(Cw9)	A1	B7		A3	B8	C1
A23	B8	C2	A23	B13	C03:04(Cw10)	A3	B15:01(B62)		A11	B13	C8
A24	B13	C3:03(Cw9)	A24	B14:01(B64)		A11	B15:02(B75)		A23	B14:01(B64)	C12
A25	B15:01(B62)	C3:04 (Cw10)	A25	B15:01(B62)		A23	B15:03(B72)		A24	B14:02(B65)	C14
A30	B15:02(B75)	C7	A26	B15:02(B75)		A24	B15:12(B76)		A25	B15:13(B77)	C15
A31	B15:12(B76)	C8	A29	B15:03(B72)		A30	B15:13(B77)		A32	B15:16(B63)	C16
A32	B15:13(B77)	C12	A32	B15:12(B76)		A31	B15:16(B63)		A33	B18	
A33	B15:16(B63)	C14	A33	B15:13(B77)		A32	B27		A34	B27	
A34	B27	C15	A34	B15:16(B63)		A36	B37		A68	B37	
A66	B40:01(B60)	C16	A43	B15:18(B71)		A80	B38		A69	B38	
A68	B40:02(B61)		A66	B18			B39			B39	
A69	B41		A68	B27			B40:01(B60)			B41	
	B42			B35			B40:02(B61)			B42	
	B44 B45			B37			B41			B44	
	B46			B38			B42			B47	
	B47			B39			B44			B49	
	B48			B41			B45			B51	
	B49			B42			B47			B52	
	B50			B44			B48			B53	
	B51			B45			B49			B54	
	B52			B46			B50			B55	
	B54			B47			B51			B57	
	B55			B48			B52			B58	
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	B57			B50			B54			B67	
	B58			B51			B55				
	B67			B52			B56				
	B73			B53			B57				
	B81			B54			B58				
	B82			B55			B59				
				B56			B67				
				B57			B73				
				B58			B81				
				B59			B82				
				B67							
				B78							
				B82							

Serum 5			Serum 6			Serum 7			Serum 8		
Antibodies		HLA C	Antibodies			Antibodies			Antibodie		
HLA A HLA B			HLA A	HLA B	HLA C	HLA A	HLA B	HLA C	HLA A HLA B		HLA C
A1	B13		A1	B13	C*03:03(Cw9)	A2	B13		A1	B7	C7
A2	B15:02(B75)		A2	B15:01(B62)	C*03:04(Cw10)	A23	B*15:13(B77)		A11	B8	C16
A23	B*15:12(B76)		A23	B15:02(B75)		A24	B*15:03(B72)		A23	B13	C17
A24	B*15:18(B71)		A24	B15:03(B72)		A25	B*15:12(B76)		A24	B*15:12(B76)	
A25	B27		A29	B*15:12(B76)		A32	B*15:16(B63)		A26	B*15:16(B63)	
A26	B35		A33	B*15:13(B77)		A36	B27		A29	B27	
A29	B37		A34	B*15:16(B63)		A69	B37		A30	B*40:01(B60)	
A30	B39		A68	B*15:18(B71)			B38		A31	B*40:02(B61)	
A31	B*40:01(B60)		A69	B35			B40:01(B60)		A32	B41	
A32	B*40:02(B61)			B37			B40:02(B61)		A33	B42	
A33	B41			B*40:01(B60)			B41		A36	B44	
A34	B44			B*40:02(B61)			B44		A43	B45	
A43	B45			B41			B45		A66	B47	
A66	B47			B44			B47		A74	B48	
A74	B49			B45			B49		A80	B49	
	B50			B46			B50			B50	
	B82			B49			B51			B51	
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				B59							
				B78							
				B82							

Serum 9			Serum 10)		Serum 11			Serum 12		
Antibodies			Antibodies			Antibodies			Antibodies		
HLA A	HLA B	HLA C	HLA A	HLA B	HLA C	HLA A	HLA B	HLA C	HLA A	HLA B	HLA C
A1	В8		A1	B7	C2	A1	В8		A2	B7	Cw1(01:02)
A3	B14:01(B64)		A11	B13	C17	A2	B44		A23	B8	Cw3(03:07)
A11	B14:02(B65)		A23	B15:12(B76)		A23	B45		A24	B13	Cw8(08:01-03)
A24:03	B15:02(B75)		A24	B15:13(B77)		A24	B57			B18	Cw12
A25	B15:12(B76)		A25	B15:16(B63)		A26	B58			B27	Cw14
A26	B15:13(B77)		A32	B27		A29	B82			B35	Cw15
A29	B15:16(B63)		A36	B37		A36				B39	
A30	B15:18(B71)		A66	B38		A80				B41	
A31	B18		A80	B40:01(B60)						B42	
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