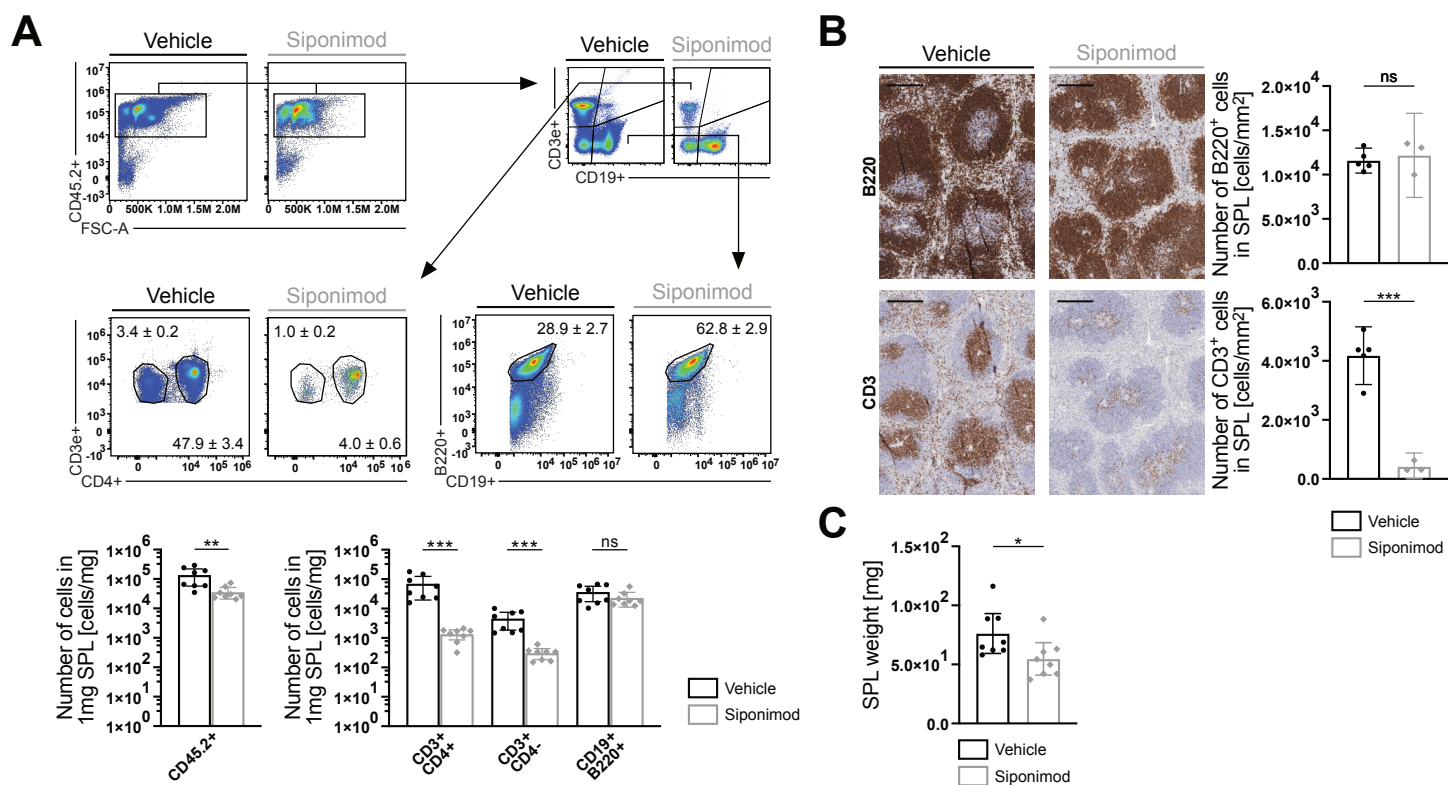


# Supplementary Figure 1



## Sponimod drastically reduces T cells in splenic tissue.

Before developing any clinical signs of EAE, aged  $26 \pm 2$  days, 2D2xTh mice were treated with sponimod ( $n = 17$ ) or vehicle ( $n = 14$ ) by daily oral gavage for 30 days. (A) Flow cytometric analysis of live/CD45.2<sup>+</sup>, live/CD45.2<sup>+</sup>/CD3<sup>+</sup>CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells, live/CD45.2<sup>+</sup>/CD3<sup>+</sup>CD4<sup>-</sup> T cells and live/CD45.2<sup>+</sup>/CD19<sup>+</sup>B220<sup>+</sup> B cells in 1 mg splenic tissue after 30 days of treatment (pooled data from 3 independently conducted experiments). Gating strategy displayed as representative pseudocolor plots in upper panels. The mean share of the CD45.2<sup>+</sup> population  $\pm$  SEM is given for T and B cells next to the corresponding gates. Quantification as number of cells in 1 mg spleen shown in lower panels. Values are plotted on a logarithmic scale. \* $p \leq 0.05$ , \*\* $p \leq 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p \leq 0.001$ ; Mann-Whitney *U* test. (B) Immunohistochemical evaluation of B cells (B220) and T cells (CD3) of one randomly chosen cross-section per spleen ( $n = 5$  vehicle and  $n = 3$  sponimod treated mice). \* $p \leq 0.05$ , \*\*\* $p \leq 0.001$ ; Students *t* test. (C) Weight of spleens after dissection ( $n = 8$  per group). \* $p \leq 0.05$ , Students *t* test. Scale bar: 250  $\mu$ m. Data shown as individual data points and as mean  $\pm$  95 % CI. EAE = experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis, ns = not significant, SPL = spleen.