Supplementary information

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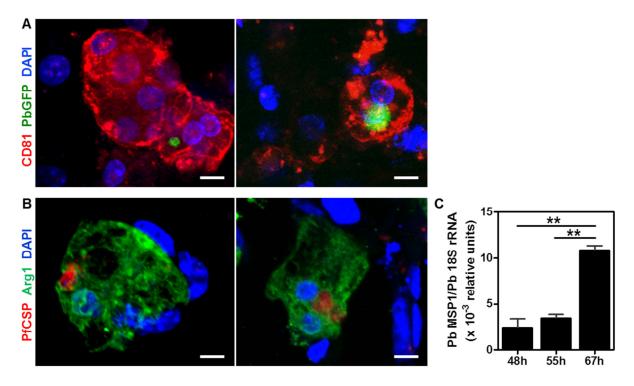


Figure S1. *Plasmodium* **liver stage infection of HEPs in p-HEALs.** (A) Representative confocal images of GFP- and luciferase-expressing *P. berghei* (Pb-GFP-luc) EEFs in PC-HEALs at 48h post-infection, with HEPs counterstained for human CD81 (red). (B) Representative confocal image of a Pf EEF in PC-HEAL at D3.5 post-infection, with HEPs counterstained for arginase 1 (Arg1, green). Scale bars: 10μm. (C) Maturation of Pb EEFs in p-HEALs infected with Pb, as quantified via RT-PCR analysis of PbMSP1 rRNA levels that have been normalized relative to a Pb 18S rRNA housekeeping gene.

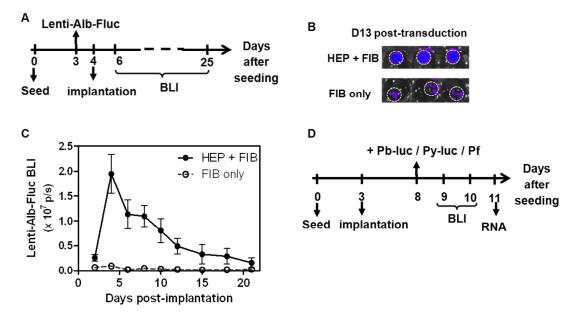


Figure S2. Characterization of lentiviral transduction of p-HEALs. (A) Experimental timeline for the lentiviral transduction of p-HEALs with lenti-Alb-Fluc reporter, implantation in nude mice, and non-invasive monitoring of implant survival post-implantation via bioluminescence imaging (BLI). (B) p-HEALs (HEP + FIB) or FIB only constructs, transduced with Lenti-Alb-Fluc reporter, and assayed for BLI signals at D13 post-transduction *in vitro*. (C) *In vivo* kinetics of lenti-Alb-Fluc reporter activity in p-HEAL or FIB only implants. (D) Experimental timeline for the implantation of p-HEALs, infection with *Plasmodium* sporozoites, and post-infection detection of infection by either bioluminescence imaging (Pb-GFP-luc or Py-luc) or explant analysis with RT-PCR (Pf).

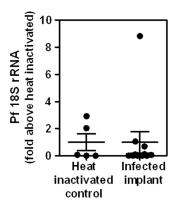


Figure S3. *In vivo P. falciparum* infection of p-HEALs without HUVEC and NHDF. p-HEALs (without HUVEC and NHDF) were implanted into mice, and humanized mice were infected with Pf at D4 post-implantation. Infection levels were measured at D3.5 post-infection by RT-PCR. n = 5, 11 for heat inactivated control and infected implant, respectively, n is cumulative from 2 experiments performed on separate days.