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Data analysis https://github.com/aifimmunology/Aging_Tcell_TE-seq).

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Raw data is deposited in the NCBI Database of Genotypes and Phenotypes (dbGaP, study ID: phs003400.v1) for controlled access. Processed data is deposited in the NCBI Gene Expression Omnibus database (GEO, Series Accession ID: GSE214546). External cord blood (ID: GSE157007) and pediatric MIS-C (ID: GSE166489) datasets are from the GEO database. Thymus dataset is from Array Express (accession #E-MTAB-8581). A custom collection of genesets that included the Hallmark v7.2 genesets, KEGG v7.2, and Reactome v7.2 from the Molecular Signatures Database (MSigDB, v4.0) was used as the pathway database in GSEA analyses.

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Reporting on sex and gender

Our initial TEA-seq of 16 people studied only women, in order to reduce data variation in our cohort of 8 pediatric and 8 adult donors. However, in order to expand these data, we selected a followup cohort for scRNA-seq of 48 individuals with 24 female and 24 male subjects, with each age group equally distributed by sex. Fixed scRNAseq for stimulation was performed on 4 female pediatric donors from the TEA-seq cohort. The cohort demographics are provided in Supplemental Table 3.

Population characteristics

Healthy pediatric (11-13yr olds), young adults (25-35 yrs) and older adults (55-65 yrs) were recruited for these studies. Relevant covariates include age, sex and CMV infection status and are provided in Figure 1b and Supplemental Table 3.

Recruitment

For sequencing studies: Adult: Healthy 25-35 year old and 55-65 year old adult subjects were recruited from the greater Seattle area as part of the Sound Life project at Benaroya Research Institute (BRI). Patients were excluded from enrollment if they had a history of chronic disease, autoimmune disease, severe allergy, or chronic infection. Subjects enrolled by BRI were compensated for their time, effort and incidental expenses related to the research visits with \$50 per research visit that involved a blood draw. Pediatric: Healthy 11-13 year old pediatric subjects were recruited from the greater Philadelphia area. Patients were excluded from enrollment if they had a history of immune deficiency, fever or antibiotic usage within the month prior to sample collection, chronic medication usage or BMI more than 2 standard deviations above or below the mean for their age. Pediatric subjects enrolled were compensated for their time and effort. Payments were structured to increase as the longitudinal visits progressed and ranged from \$25 to \$100 per research visit that involved a blood draw. In addition, small thank-you token gifts were available for the pediatric subjects to choose from after each visit.

Ethics oversight

All studies were approved by Institutional Review Boards at Benaroya Research Institute (adult cohorts), University of Pennsylvania (pediatric cohort) and/or Allen Institute (all sample usage). All adult participants gave informed consent prior to participation in these studies. Informed consent for participation of minors was obtained from a legally authorized representative of the child. If capable, the participating child also provided assent to participate in the study. Cord and peripheral blood samples for follow-up studies were purchased from Bloodworks Northwest (Seattle, WA) and BioIVT (Hicksville, NY) obtained with written informed consent and use approved by Allen Institute IRB.

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Sample size

TEAseq experiments included 16 donors (8 per age group), cohort scRNASeq experiments included 48 donors (16 per age group) and stimulation scRNAseq included 4 donors (pediatric only). Sample size power calculation was performed for our larger validation cohort. The minimum sample size required to identify a 1% change while controlling for Type I and Type II errors at $\alpha=0.05$, $\beta=0.2$, respectively, and applying an estimated frequencies standard deviation of $\sigma=0.45$, is $n=5$ per group for a two-sample t-test. Applying a sample size correction based on the Asymptotic Relative Efficiency (ARE) of the Mann Whitney U test (i.e., 15.7%) results in a minimum required sample size of $n=6$ per group to identify 1% differences to attain 80% power and control for Type I and II error rates at $\alpha=0.05$, $\beta=0.2$, respectively. Thus we exceed the minimum required $n=6$ per age group.

Data exclusions

No data were excluded from analyses.

Replication	All experiments have been biologically replicated in at least three donors and results were successfully reproduced. All sequencing was performed using a common PBMC batch control for technical replication confirmation and normalization.
Randomization	For the TEA-seq dataset, randomization of the groups was not possible since the study design was to compare donors based on specific clinical parameters; age group, and when appropriate, CMV infection status. However, sample were randomly distributed between batches of TEA-seq runs to mitigate assay variability. Samples used in scRNA-seq experiments were randomized across batches. Stimulation scRNA-seq experiments were performed as a single batch.
Blinding	Experiments and analyses were not performed blinded as the same investigator(s) oversaw the sample processing, data generation and data analyses.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flow cytometry
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Antibodies

Antibodies used

TEA-seq panel
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0151 anti-human CD152 (CTLA-4) Antibody BNI3 BioLegend Cat# 369619, RRID:AB_2734423 (0.175 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0071 anti-human CD194 (CCR4) Antibody L291H4 BioLegend Cat# 359423, RRID:AB_2749979 (0.175 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0143 anti-human CD196 (CCR6) Antibody G034E3 BioLegend Cat# 353437, RRID:AB_2750534 (0.175 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0189 anti-human CD244 (2B4) Antibody C1.7 BioLegend Cat# 329527, RRID:AB_2750007 (0.175 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0396 anti-human CD26 Antibody BA5b BioLegend Cat# 302720, RRID:AB_2734261 (0.175 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0102 anti-human CD294 (CRTH2) Antibody BM16 BioLegend Cat# 350127, RRID:AB_2734360 (0.2 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0576 anti-human CD49d Antibody 9F10 BioLegend Cat# 304337, RRID:AB_2783166 (0.175 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0171 anti-human/mouse/rat CD278 (ICOS) Antibody C398.4A BioLegend Cat# 313555, RRID:AB_2800824 (0.05 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0161 anti-human CD11b Antibody ICRF44 BioLegend Cat# 301353, RRID:AB_2734249 (0.05 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0053 anti-human CD11c Antibody S-HCL-3 BioLegend Cat# 371519, RRID:AB_2749971 (0.025 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0390 anti-human CD127 (IL-7Rα) Antibody A019D5 BioLegend Cat# 351352, RRID:AB_2734366 (0.075 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0083 anti-human CD16 Antibody 3G8 BioLegend Cat# 302061, RRID:AB_2734255 (0.05 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0408 anti-human CD172a (SIRPα) Antibody 15-414 BioLegend Cat# 372109, RRID:AB_2783285 (0.25 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0144 anti-human CD185 (CXCR5) Antibody J252D4 BioLegend Cat# 356937, RRID:AB_2750356 (0.125 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0181 anti-human CD21 Antibody Bu32 BioLegend Cat# 354915, RRID:AB_2750006 (0.05 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0085 anti-human CD25 Antibody BC96 BioLegend Cat# 302643, RRID:AB_2734258 (0.08 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0154 anti-human CD27 Antibody O323 BioLegend Cat# 302847, RRID:AB_2750000 (0.05 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0088 anti-human CD279 (PD-1) Antibody EH12.2H7 BioLegend Cat# 329955, RRID:AB_2734322 (0.2 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0406 anti-human CD304 (Neuropilin-1) Antibody 12C2 BioLegend Cat# 354525, RRID:AB_2783261 (0.05 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0410 anti-human CD38 Antibody HB-7 BioLegend Cat# 356635, RRID:AB_2800967 (0.05 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0176 anti-human CD39 Antibody A1 BioLegend Cat# 328233, RRID:AB_2750005 (0.075 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0072 anti-human CD4 Antibody RPA-T4 BioLegend Cat# 300563, RRID:AB_2734247 (0.1 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0047 anti-human CD56 (NCAM) Antibody 5.1H11 BioLegend Cat# 362557, RRID:AB_2749970 (0.1 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0394 anti-human CD71 Antibody CY1G4 BioLegend Cat# 334123, RRID:AB_2800884 (0.05 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0080 anti-human CD8a Antibody RPA-T8 BioLegend Cat# 301067, RRID:AB_2734248 (0.2 µg per million cells)
 Antibody TotalSeq™-A0006 anti-human CD86 Antibody IT2.2 BioLegend Cat# 305443, RRID:AB_2734273 (0.05 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0581 anti-human TCR Vα7.2 Antibody 3C10 BioLegend Cat# 351733, RRID:AB_2783246 (0.0625 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0145 anti-human CD103 (Integrin αE) Antibody Ber-ACT8 BioLegend Cat# 350231, RRID:AB_2749996 (0.2 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0168 anti-human CD57 Recombinant Antibody QA17A04 BioLegend Cat# 393319, RRID:AB_2810588 (0.2 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0146 anti-human CD69 Antibody FN50 BioLegend Cat# 310947, RRID:AB_2749997 (0.2 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0242 anti-human CD192 (CCR2) Antibody K036C2 BioLegend Cat# 357229, RRID:AB_2750501 (0.25 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0063 anti-human CD45RA Antibody HI100 BioLegend Cat# 304157, RRID:AB_2734267 (0.25 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0156 anti-human CD95 (Fas) Antibody DX2 BioLegend Cat# 305649, RRID:AB_2750368 (0.25 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0159 anti-human HLA-DR Antibody L243 BioLegend Cat# 307659, RRID:AB_2750001 (0.05 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0153 anti-human KLRG1 (MAFA) Antibody SA231A2 BioLegend Cat# 367721, RRID:AB_2750373 (0.25 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0355 anti-human CD137 (4-1BB) Antibody 4B4-1 BioLegend Cat# 309835, RRID:AB_2783173 (0.25 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0149 anti-human CD161 Antibody HP-3G10 BioLegend Cat# 339945, RRID:AB_2749998 (0.1 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0140 anti-human CD183 (CXCR3) Antibody G025H7 BioLegend Cat# 353745, RRID:AB_2749993 (0.25 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0896 anti-human CD85j (ILT2) Antibody GHI/75 BioLegend Cat# 333723, RRID:AB_2814225 (0.1 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0179 anti-human CX3CR1 Antibody K0124E1 BioLegend Cat# 355709, RRID:AB_2832698 (0.1 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0169 anti-human CD366 (Tim-3) Antibody F38-2E2 BioLegend Cat# 345047, RRID:AB_2800924 (0.2 µg per million cells)

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Antibody TotalSeq™-A0148 anti-human CD197 (CCR7) Antibody G043H7 BioLegend Cat# 353247, RRID:AB_2750357 (0.5 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0386 anti-human CD28 Antibody CD28.2 BioLegend Cat# 302955, RRID:AB_2783159 (0.5 µg per million cells)

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Antibody TotalSeq™-A0087 anti-human CD45RO Antibody UCHL1 BioLegend Cat# 304255, RRID:AB_2734268 (0.5 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0224 anti-human TCR α/β Antibody IP26 BioLegend Cat# 306737, RRID:AB_2783167 (0.375 µg per million cells)

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Antibody TotalSeq™-A0089 anti-human TIGIT (VSTM3) Antibody A15153G BioLegend Cat# 372725, RRID:AB_2734426 (0.5 µg per million cells)

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Antibody TotalSeq™-A0584 anti-human TCR Vα24-Jα18 (iNKT cell) Antibody 6B11 BioLegend Cat# 342923, RRID:AB_2783227 (0.5 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0180 anti-human CD24 Antibody ML5 BioLegend Cat# 311137, RRID:AB_2750374 (0.5 µg per million cells)

Antibody TotalSeq™-A0830 anti-human CD319 (CRACC) Antibody 162.1 BioLegend Cat# 331821, RRID:AB_2800872 (0.5 µg per million cells)

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Flow PBMC phenotyping panel

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Antibody Mouse anti-human CD45/BUV496 HI30 BD Bioscience Cat# 624283 2uL per sample

Antibody Mouse anti-human CD8/BUV737 RPA-T8 BD Bioscience Cat# 624286 0.5uL per sample

Antibody Mouse anti-human CD127/BV711 A019D5 BioLegend Cat# 351328, RRID:AB_2562908 2uL per sample

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Flow sorting panel (Naïve CD4 T cells)

Antibody Brilliant Violet 421™ anti-human CD95 (Fas) Antibody DX2 BioLegend Cat# 305624, RRID:AB_2561830 2.5uL per sample

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Antibody PerCP/Cyanine5.5 anti-human CD27 Antibody O323 BioLegend Cat# 302820, RRID:AB_2073318 2uL per sample
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 Antibody APC/Cyanine7 anti-human CD8a Antibody RPA-T8 BioLegend Cat# 301016, RRID:AB_314134 2uL per sample
 Flow sorting panel (Total T cells for TEA-seq)
 Antibody PE anti-human CD3 Antibody UCHT1 BioLegend Cat# 300441, RRID:AB_2562047 1uL per sample
 Antibody FITC anti-human CD45 Antibody HI30 BioLegend Cat# 304038, RRID:AB_2562050 1uL per sample
 Flow sorting panel (MNP-2 population)
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 Flow MNP-2 phenotyping panel
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 Antibody PE-Cy7 anti-human CD197 (CCR7) G043H7 BioLegend Cat# 353226, RRID:AB_11126145 2.5uL per sample
 Antibody BV421 anti-human CD95 (Fas) DX2 BioLegend Cat# 305624, RRID:AB_2561830 2.5uL per sample
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 Antibody BUV805 anti-human CD3 UCHT1 BD Bioscience Cat# 612895, RRID:AB_2870183 2.5uL per sample
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 Antibody PE-Dazzle594 anti-human CD244 (2B4) C1.7 BioLegend Cat# 329521, RRID:AB_2572018 2.5uL per sample
 Antibody BUV661 anti-human CD11b ICRF44 BD Bioscience Cat# 741601, RRID:AB_2916939 5uL per sample
 Antibody BV480 anti-human CD14 MOP9 BD Bioscience Cat# 566141, RRID:AB_2739539 0.6uL per sample
 Antibody PE anti-human CD360 (IL-21R 17A12 BioLegend Cat# 359505, RRID:AB_2562368 5uL per sample
 Antibody APC anti-human CD8b QA20A40 BioLegend Cat# 376705, RRID:AB_2910430 5uL per sample
 Flow CD8 activation panel
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 Antibody PerCP-Cy5.5 anti-human CD11b M1/70 Biolegend Cat# 101228, RRID:AB_893232 5uL per sample
 Antibody PE anti-human CD360 (IL-21R) 17A12 Biolegend Cat# 359506, RRID:AB_2562369 5uL per sample
 Antibody PE-Dazzle594 anti-human CD244 (2B4) C1.7 Biolegend Cat# 329521, RRID:AB_2572018 2uL per sample
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 Antibody APC anti-human CD8b QA20A40 Biolegend Cat# 376706, RRID:AB_2937040 1uL per sample
 Antibody APC-Cy7 anti-human CD8a RPA-T8 Biolegend Cat# 301016, RRID:AB_314134 1uL per sample

Validation

All antibodies were purchased from established vendors with strict quality control assurances and validation statements can be found on the manufacturers' websites using the catalogue number or in the Antibody Registry database (<https://antibodyregistry.org>) via the provided RRID. TotalSeq antibodies were additionally titrated for optimal performance, with optimal concentrations listed above and in Supp Table 4.

Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation

All blood samples were collected, processed to PBMCs using a Ficoll-based approach and frozen in FBS with 10% DMSO within 4 hours of blood draw. For follow-up studies, T cells were directly isolated from whole blood using RosettaSep Human T-cell Enrichment Cocktail then immediately cryopreserved as described above.

Instrument

Cytek Aurora (5 laser), BD Melody

Software

FlowJo v10.8, BD FACSCorus (v2), Cytex SpectroFlo software (Version 2.0.2)

Cell population abundance

The purity of sorted cell populations (true naive CD4 T cells, MNP-2, naive CD8 T cells) was greater than 88%.

Gating strategy

FSC-A/SSC-A was used to identify lymphocytes. FSC-H/FCS-W and SSC-H/SSC-W were used to remove doublets. Viability was determined using live/Dead stain, gating on negative (i.e., live) cells. T cells were determined by the presence of CD3 and the absence of CD19 and CD14. CD4, CD8, CD27, CD45RA, CCR7, CD127 and CD25 were used to determine T cell subsets. For naive CD4 follow-up studies, CD95 was additionally used to separate true naive T cells (CD95-negative). MNP-2 cells were determined by CD244 and CD11b co-expression within CD8+ TCRab+ T cells.

Tick this box to confirm that a figure exemplifying the gating strategy is provided in the Supplementary Information.