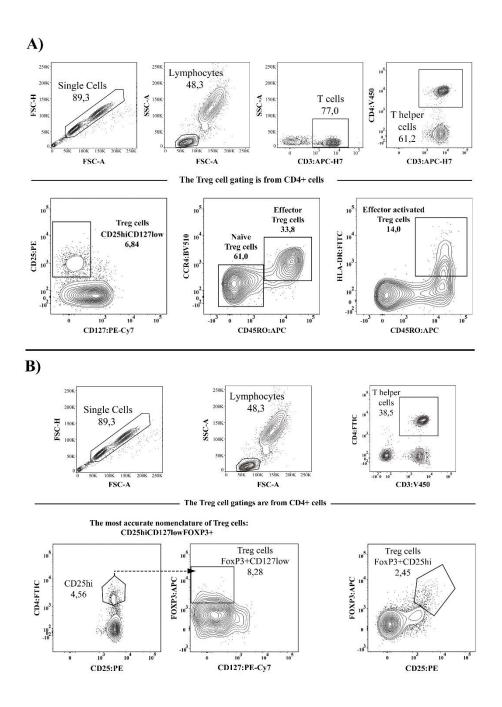
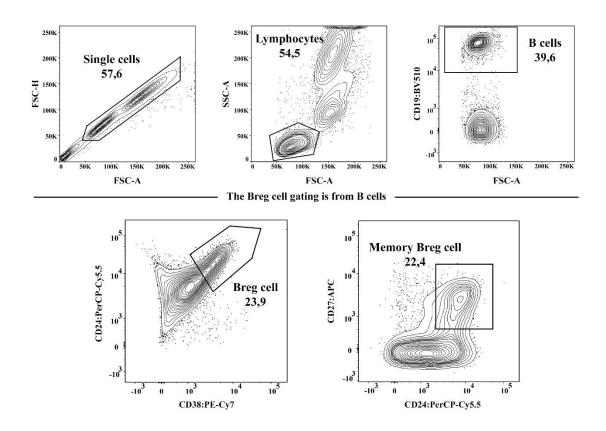
Supplementary Material

Supplementary Figure 1. Regulatory T cell (Treg) immunophenotyping gating strategy. CD4⁺CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}, A) Extracellular panel: naïve Treg (CD4+CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}CD45RO⁻CCR4⁻), memory Treg (CD4⁺CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}CD45RO⁺CCR4⁺) activated effector Treg and (CD4+CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}CD45RO+CCR4+HLA-DR+). B) Intracellular panels: CD4⁺CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}Foxp3⁺, and CD4⁺CD25^{hi}FoxP3⁺.

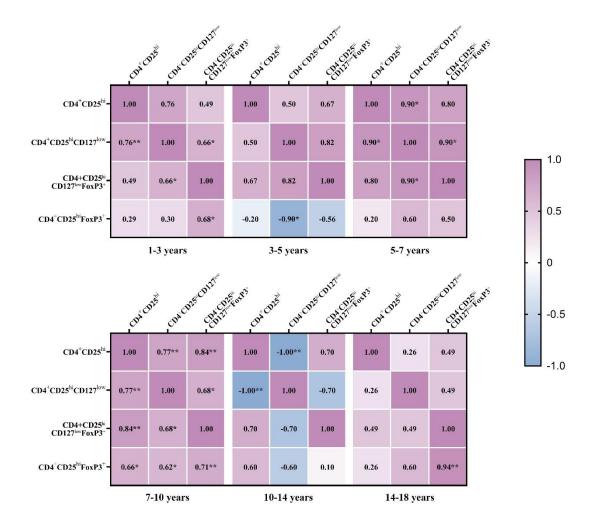




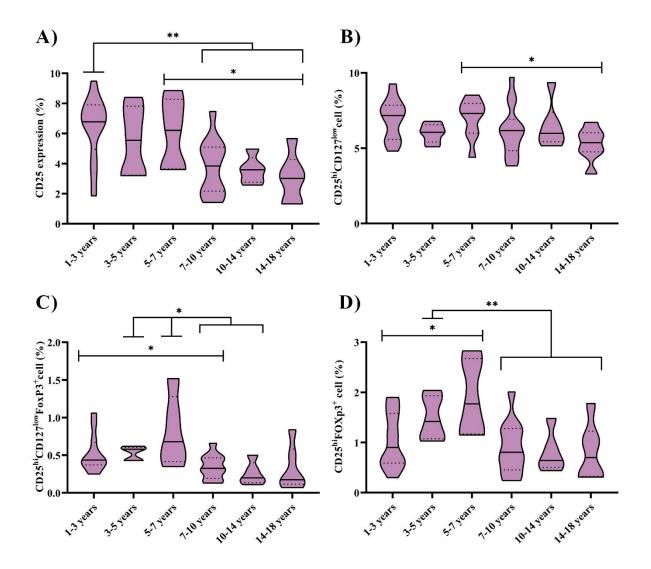
Supplementary Figure 2. Regulatory B cell (Breg) immunophenotyping gating strategy. Transitional Breg is defined as CD19⁺CD24^{hi}CD38^{hi} and memory Breg cell as CD19⁺CD24^{hi}CD27⁺.



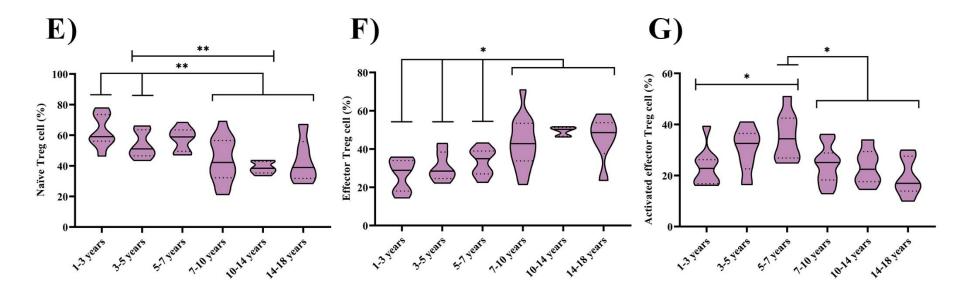
Supplementary Figure 3. Correlation between gating strategies of regulatory T cell (Treg) and CD4⁺CD25^{hi} by age. The three Treg definitions are CD4⁺CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}, CD4⁺CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}Foxp3⁺, and CD4⁺CD25^{hi}FoxP3⁺. The correlation between the three Treg definitions was moderate-strong for most of age ranges, being especially strong between the intracellular panels, and CD4⁺CD25^{hi} vs CD4⁺CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}. The values inside the boxes indicate the Spearman correlation strength. Low association 0.1-0.3; moderate positive association between 0.3-0.5; and strong positive association 0.5-1. (*) p value ≤ 0.05 ; (**) p value ≤ 0.01 .



Supplementary Figure 4. Frequency of regulatory T cell (Treg) by age range. A), B), C) and D) Total Treg (median/%) decreases mainly after 7 years onwards. E) Decrease of naïve Treg (CD4⁺CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}CD45RO⁻CCR4⁻) with age. F) Increase of effector Treg (CD4⁺CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}CD45RO⁺CCR4⁺) with age. G) Increment of effector activated Treg (CD4⁺CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}CD45RO⁺CCR4⁺HLA-DR⁺) between 3-7 years. E), F) and G) suggest a process of maturation of Treg with age. The frequency of CD25, CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}, CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}FoxP3⁺ and CD25^{hi}FoxP3⁺ are calculated from the CD4⁺ cells. The naïve and effector Treg are from CD25^{hi}CD127^{low}. (*) p value ≤ 0.05 ; (**) p value ≤ 0.01 . Discontinuous line: quartiles; Black solid line: median.



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Supplementary Figure 5. Frequency of regulatory B cell (Breg) by age range. A) The total Breg (CD19⁺CD24^{hi}CD38^{hi}) (median/%) decrease mainly after 3 years onwards. B) Increment of memory Breg (CD19⁺CD24^{hi}CD27⁺) frequency with age. The frequency of both Breg and memory Breg was calculated from CD19⁺. (*) p value ≤ 0.05 ; (**) p value ≤ 0.01 . Discontinuous line: quartiles; Black solid line: median.

