SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE LEGENDS

Supplementary Figure 1

Presence of NK and T cells and expression of cytotoxic genes in livers of infants with biliary atresia. Panel (A) depicts representative sections of livers from an unaffected control and from an infant at the time of diagnosis of biliary atresia immunostained with anti-CD56 antibody (to detect NK cells: red color, arrows) and anti-CD3 antibody (to detect T cells: green color, arrowheads) after nuclear counterstaining with DAPI (blue). Photograph represents an overlay of images captured with individual filters; white bar = 50 μ m. Panel (B) shows the hepatic mRNA expression for NK cellenriched cytotoxic genes in livers of infants with biliary atresia. mRNA was quantified by real-time PCR and expressed as a ratio to human *HPRT* (mean ± S.D.). N=9 for biliary atresia and N=7 for controls; *P<0.05.

Supplementary Figure 2

Lysis of epithelial cells by RRV-primed NK cells. Mean ± S.D. of percent of ⁵¹Cr release by the cholangiocyte line mCL, hepatocyte line H2.35, lung epithelial line MLE-12, and breast carcinoma lines 4T1-MZ and 67-NR after 5 hours of co-culture with hepatic NK cells purified 7 days after injection of RRV into 1 day old mice. Ratios represent target (mCL, H2.35, MLE-12, 4T1-MZ, 67-NR) to effector (NK) cells. N=3 wells per group; results are representative of 2 independent experiments, with hepatic NK cells obtained from pools of 15-20 livers (*P<0.01 when cytolytic activities are compared among the different ratios; **P<0.01 when comparisons are from mCL or H2.35 to other cells).

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Supplementary Figure 3

Expression of Nkg2d ligands. Flow cytometry histogram of mCL cells labeled with anti-panRae1 antibodies or isotype control (**A**; number represents median fluorescence intensity of panRae1; representative figure of 3 different experiments). In panel **B**, the hepatic mRNA expression of the *Rae1* family of genes, *Mult1*, and *H60* after 7 days following saline or RRV injection is depicted as a ratio to *Gapdh*. *P<0.02 for RRV versus saline groups; N=3-4 per group per time point.

Supplementary Figure 4

Number of hepatic NK cells and the expression of CD69 after RRV inoculation. (A) Total number of hepatic CD49b+ cells based on flow cytometry 3-14 days after RRV injection in the first day of life with or without daily administration of blocking anti-Nkg2d antibodies. (B) Percentage of CD49b+ liver cells also expressing CD69. N=3-4 per group and per time point; *P<0.05.

Supplementary Figure 5

Expression of cytokines and chemokines after RRV inoculation and anti-Nkg2d antibodies. Hepatic mRNA expression for *lfn* γ , *Cxcl9*, *Cxcl10*, *perforin and granzymes A and B* at 3-14 days after RRV injection to Balb/c mice in the first day of life and in a group of mice that also received daily administration of blocking anti-Nkg2d antibodies. The baseline level of mRNA expression is shown in saline-injected controls as interrupted black lines. N=3-4 per group and per time point; *P<0.05.

Supplementary Table 1

Average number of mononuclear cells per unit of gall bladder/extrahepatic bile duct harvested en bloc from neonatal mice at 7 and 14 days after saline or RRV inoculation in the first day of life. Cells were identified and quantified by flow cytometric analysis. N=15-20 for each group and time point.

	Day 7: saline	Day 7: RRV	Day 14: saline	Day 14: RRV
CD3/CD4	1	24	1	7
CD3/CD8	0	12	0	0
CD19	7	0	0	0
CD11b/Gr1	0	22	0	5
CD11b/F4-80	2	104	1	5
CD3/CD49b	1	20	0	1
CD49b	71	1456	62	1019

CD19=B cells; CD11b/Gr1=neutrophils; CD11b/F4-80=macrophages; CD3/CD49b=NKT cells; CD49b=NK cells

Supplementary Table 2

Oligonucleotide primer sequences and PCR product sizes used in real-time PCRs to quantify the expression of cytokines, chemokines, cytotoxic mediators, and NK cell-enriched genes.

Gene	Primer Sequences	Temp. (°C)	Size (bp)
lfnγ *	For: 5'-GGCTGTCCCTGAAAGAAAGC-3'	52	100
	Rev: 5'-GAGCGAGTTATTTGTCATTCGG-3'		
ll12p40	For: 5'-AAAGGCTGGGTATCGGTGG-3'	52	118
	Rev: 5'-ACTGGCTGTGCTGGAACTCC-3'		
Cxcl9	For: 5'-GAGCTAGATAGACCTCACCAAG-3'	52	101
	Rev: 5'-CCATTAGCACCATCTCTGA-3'		
Cxcl10	For: 5'-TCGCTCAAGTGGCTGGGATG-3'	57	117
	Rev: 5'-TAGGGAGGACAAGGAGGGTGTG-3'		
Perforin	For: 5'-GGGTTTATCAGTTGTGCCGTC-3'	53	128
	Rev: 5'-TAGCAGATGGACAGGGGTGTAG-3'		
Granzyme-A	For: 5'-CTCACTCAATCAATAAGGAGCCAG-3'	51	129
	Rev: 5'-CTGTTGCTTTTTTCTTTAGCCG-3'		
Granzyme-B	For: 5'-GGAACACCTCTTCTGCCACC-3'	54	148
	Rev: 5'-AGCATTAGATAACATTCTCGGGG-3'		
Rae1a	For: 5'-GCGAAGTGCTTAGTGGATGAAATAC-3'	53	122
	Rev: 5'-GGTTGTGTCAAACATTCCCCC-3'		
Rae1 β	For: 5'-GAAGAAATGTTTGACACAACCTCTG-3'	52	137
	Rev: 5'-CCTGGCTTTGCGGATAAATC-3'		
Rae1 _Y	For: 5'-CGATGATGGGGGACCTTGTGC-3'	52	124
	Rev: 5'-GGTGATACTGGGGGGACCTTGAG-3'		
Rae1 δ	For: 5'-ACCATCAAGGCTCCTACCCC-3'	53	130

	Rev: 5'-CTTCAGTGGCATTTGCTGTCTC-3'		
Rae1ɛ	For: 5'-GAAAGATGATGGGGGACCTTGTG -3'	52	125
	Rev: 5'-TGATACTGGGGGGACCTTGAGG -3'		
H60	For: 5'-GTCACTGCCTCAACAAATCGTC-3'	52	123
	Rev: 5'-GTCGGAAGTTATTCACTGTAGGATG-3'		
Mult1	For: 5'-TCCTCTTGCTCTGTTCCTTTCC-3'	52	136
	Rev: 5'-TGCTGCTTGTAAAATGGAGTCAC-3'		
Gapdh	For: 5'-TGGTTTGACAATGAATACGGCTAC-3'	52	92
	Rev: 5'-GGTGGGTGGTCCAAGGTTTC-3'		
CD69**	For: 5'-GACTTCAGCCCAAAATGCTTG-3'	51.6	115
	Rev: 5'-TCCAACCCAGTGTTCCTCTCTAC-3'		
CRTAM	For: 5'-GCAACTCCTTTCAAGCCAATCC-3'	53 5	124
	Rev: 5'-CAAGTAGCCAGGTTATCTGCGG-3'	0010	
SLAM	For: 5'-TATGCCCCCATTCTGGAGAG-3'	51.3	101
	Rev: 5'-CACAGTGGAGTAAACCGTATTTGC-3'	01.0	101
GRANZYME-A	For: 5'-ATGGTTTGTGCTGGAAGCCTCC-3'	56.0	128
	Rev: 5'-GGGTCTCCGCATTTATTTTCAAGG-3'	0010	
GRANZYME-B	For: 5'-ACCATTGAGTTGTGCGTGGG-3'	54 7	123
	Rev: 5'-GCCATTGTTTCGTCCATAGGAG-3'	01.7	120
NKG7	For: 5'-ATTTCTGGTTTGAGGCTGTGG-3'	55 0	116
	Rev: 5'-CATAATGCTGAAGGTCTGCGTC-3'	00.0	110
FCGR3B	For: 5'-CTGACTTCCACATTCCAAAAGC-3'	52 7	122
	Rev: 5'-TGCCAAACCTTGAGTGATGG-3'	52.1	122
KLRC2	For: 5'-ACTGCCACCTCCAGAGAAGC-3'	51 9	105
	Rev: 5'-TGCTCCAGGAAAGGAATAAGAAC-3'	01.0	100
KLRC4	For: 5'-CAAAGAGGCAGCAAAGGAAAC-3'	40.8	117
	Rev: 5'-CATTCCCTTGATGATCCGAAG-3'	- 1 0.0	11/
ULBP1	For: 5'-ATGTACTGGGAACAAATGCT-3'	53.0	127

ULBP2	47.3 105
ULBP3	50.5 113
KLRF1	51.4 129
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MIC-B	54.6 127
	0.110 121
NCR1	54 1 126
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NCR2	55.9 126
NCR3	55 7 124
HPRT	50.9 127
NCR1 NCR2 NCR3 HPRT	 54.1 126 55.9 126 55.7 124 50.9 127

Temp: annealing temperature

Size (bp): product size in base pairs

*Non-capital letters denote murine genes

**Capital letters denote human genes

Suppl. Figure 1









