

SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE LEGENDS

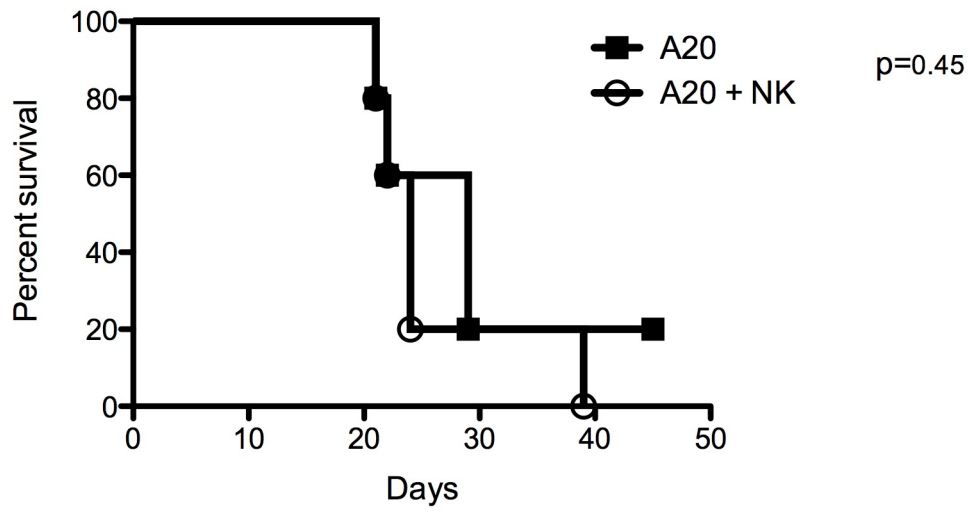
Supplementary Figure 1. NK cells fail to eradicate tumor when co-injected at high E:T ratios. 1×10^6 C57BL/6 or FVB NK cells were co-injected at the same time as 1×10^4 A20 cells into Balb/c mice and followed for survival' p-0.45. Representative of two independent experiments.

Supplementary Figure 2. Tumor-infiltrating NK cells downregulate activating receptors and demonstrate impaired function (A) Phenotype and sorting strategy of naïve NK cells derived from CD45.1⁺ donor mice; top panel shows phenotype post-magnetic enrichment and the bottom panel shows the post-FACS sorting phenotype and purity. (B) Expression of activating and inhibitory Ly49 receptors and the inhibitory NKG2A/C/E receptors among transferred NK cells is similar to naïve or cultured NK cells. (C) FACS sorted CD3⁻ DX5⁺ or CD3⁻ NK1.1⁺ NK cells from CD45.1⁺ congenic donors were transferred into CD45.2⁺ recipients along with a T cell-depleted bone marrow transplant from CD45.2⁺ donors. All analyses are gated as indicated above each plot. Within the spleen of tumor-bearing mice that received NK cells, NKp46⁺, NKG2D⁺ and most DX5⁺ cells are absent in the transferred CD45.1⁺ population when compared with the bone-marrow derived CD45.2⁺ population. (D). Expression pattern of KLRG1, CD27 and CD11b shows a pattern of maturation of NK cells after in vivo transfer. Results are representative of 2-3 independent experiments.

Supplementary Figure 3. Prolonged exposure to tumor is sufficient to induce NK cell dysfunction and proliferation; loss of function correlates with proliferation (A) Inhibition of NK cell function by tumor exposure is contact-dependent. Balb/c NK were cultured for 5 days alone, in contact with irradiated A20 cells, or separated from irradiated A20 cells by a transwell, then harvested for use in a standard chromium release assay. **(B)** Signaling through NKG2D is not required for the observed cytotoxic dysfunction. Sorted wild-type (left) or NKG2D^{-/-} (middle) NK cells were cultured alone or with irradiated A20 cells for five days then harvested for use in a standard chromium release against A20 targets at the indicated effector:target ratios (at right, statistical analysis at an ET ratio of 5:1); all indicated significance symbols indicate $p < 0.001$ **(C)** IFN γ and NKG2D expression on proliferated (CFSE low) or unproliferated (CFSE high) NK cells after a 5 day co-culture with tumor. Analyses were in triplicate **(A,B)** and represent 2 independent experiments.

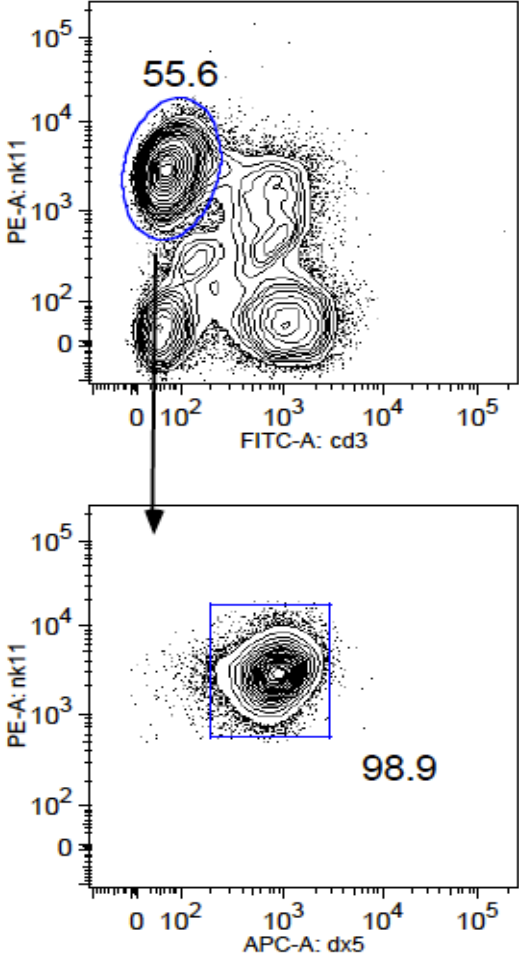
Supplementary Figure 4. Expression of Eomes, Tbet and IFN γ in naïve or IL2 stimulated cultured NK cells. NK cells were analysed for expression of transcription factors Eomes and T-bet as well as production of IFN γ upon stimulation with PMA and ionomycin. NK cells were harvested from naïve spleens or from a 5 day culture with IL-2 1500 U/mL. Analyses represent 3 independent experiments.

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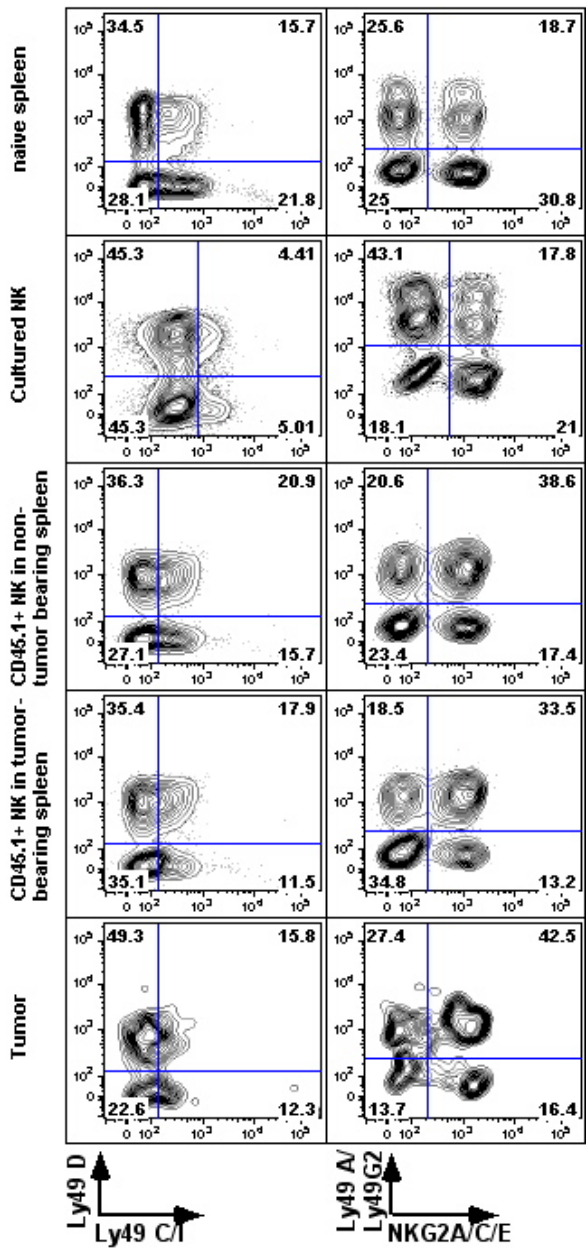
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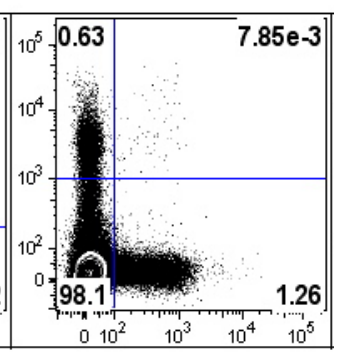
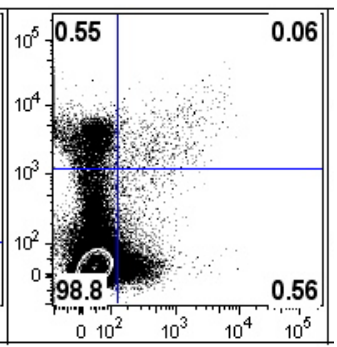
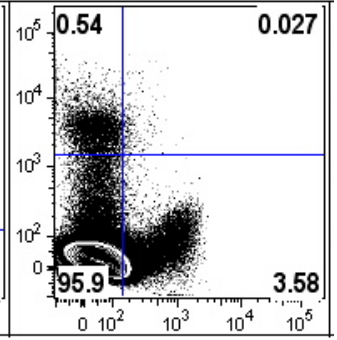
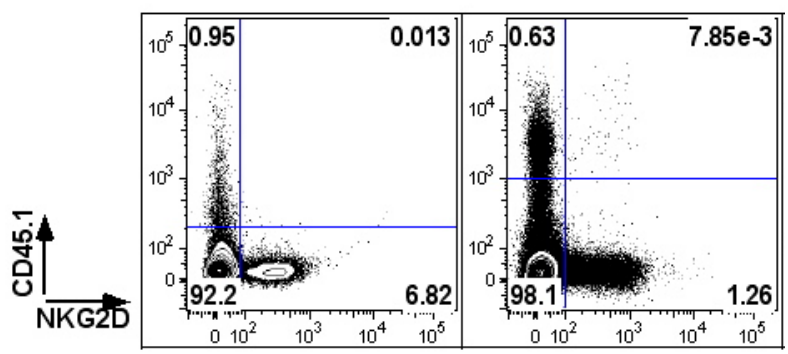
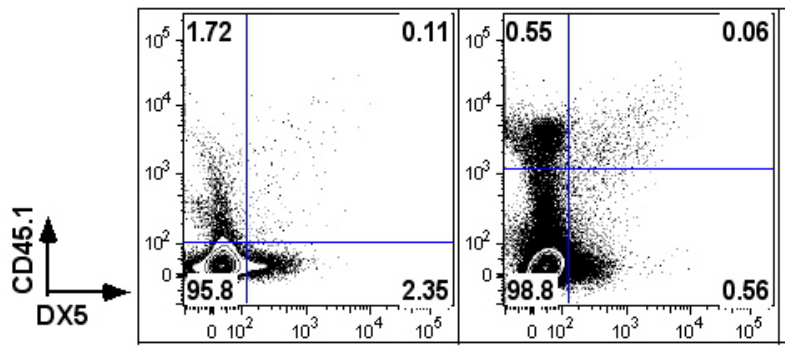
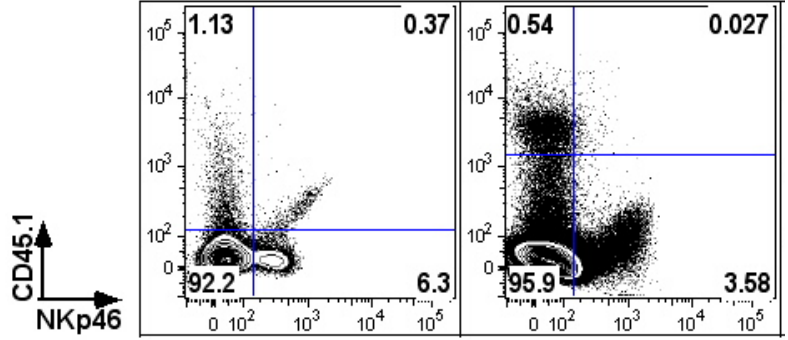


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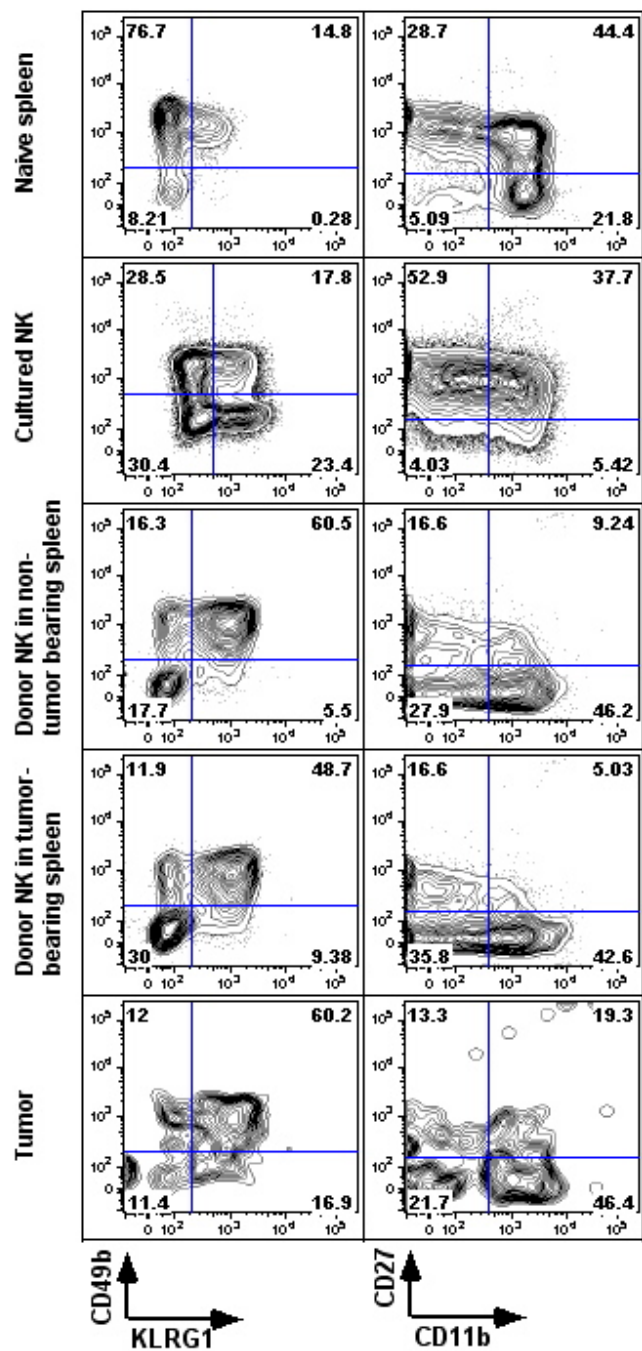
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Gated on live CD3- cells

Naive spleen (control) Spleen of tumor-bearing mouse

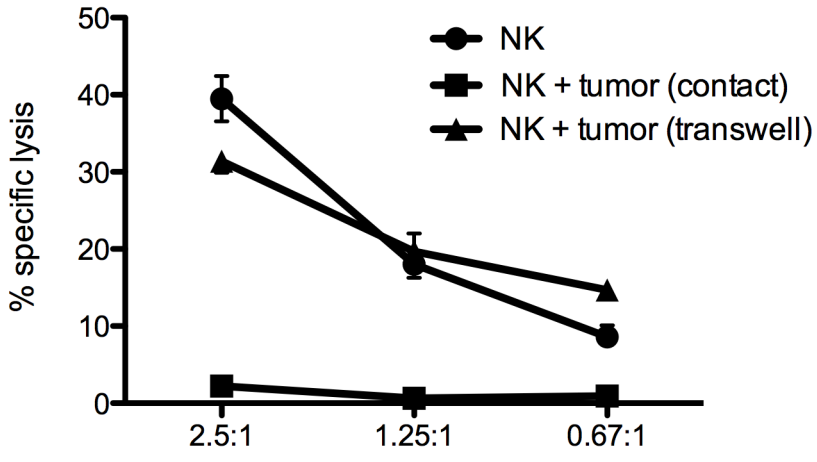


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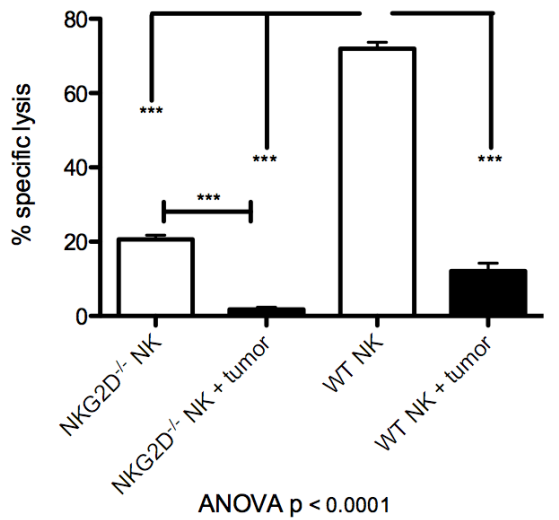
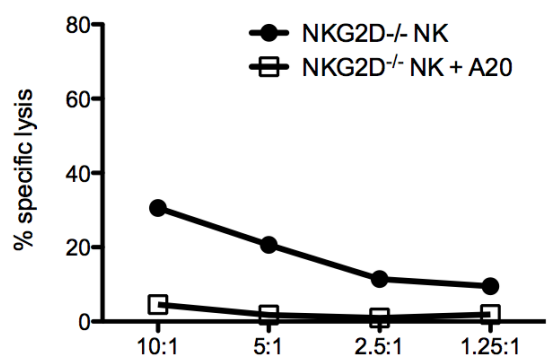
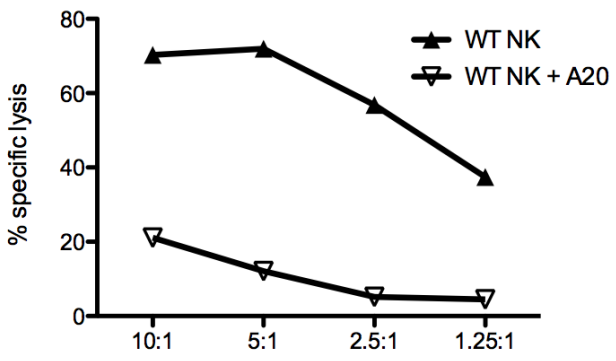


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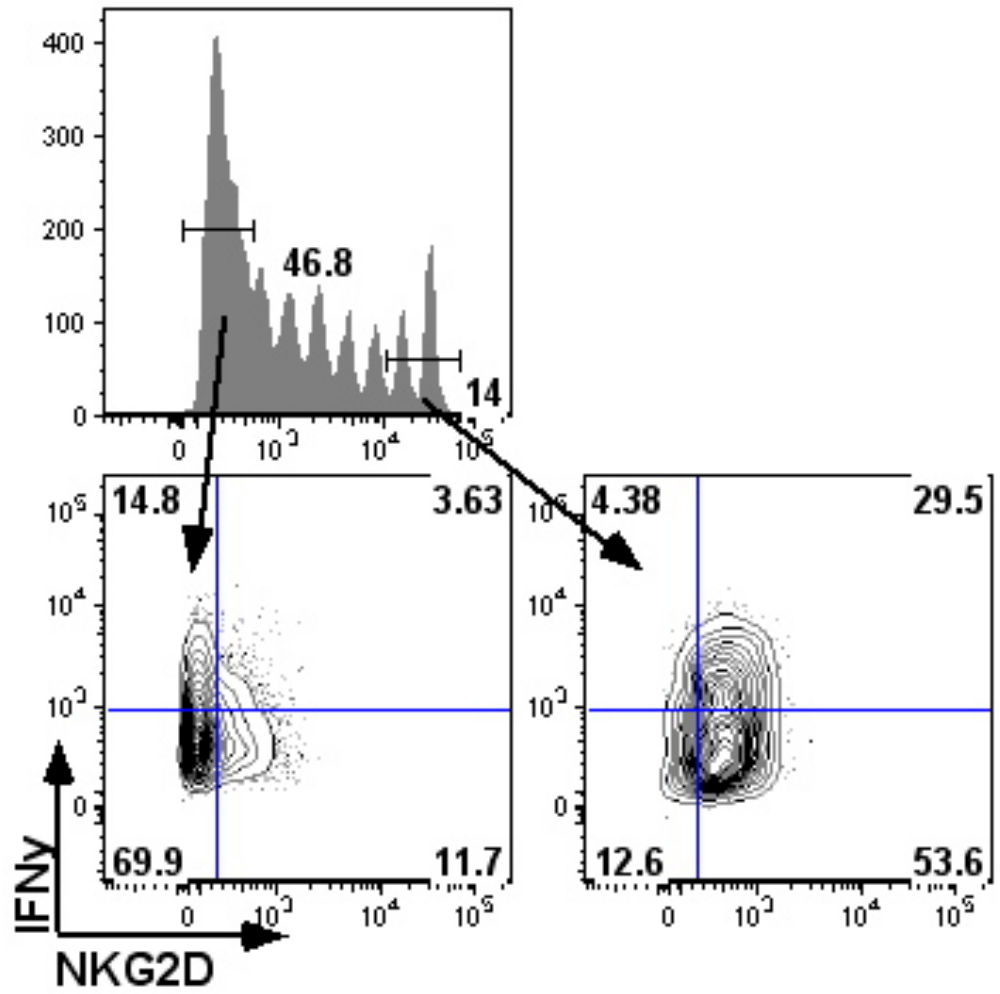


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