

Supporting Information

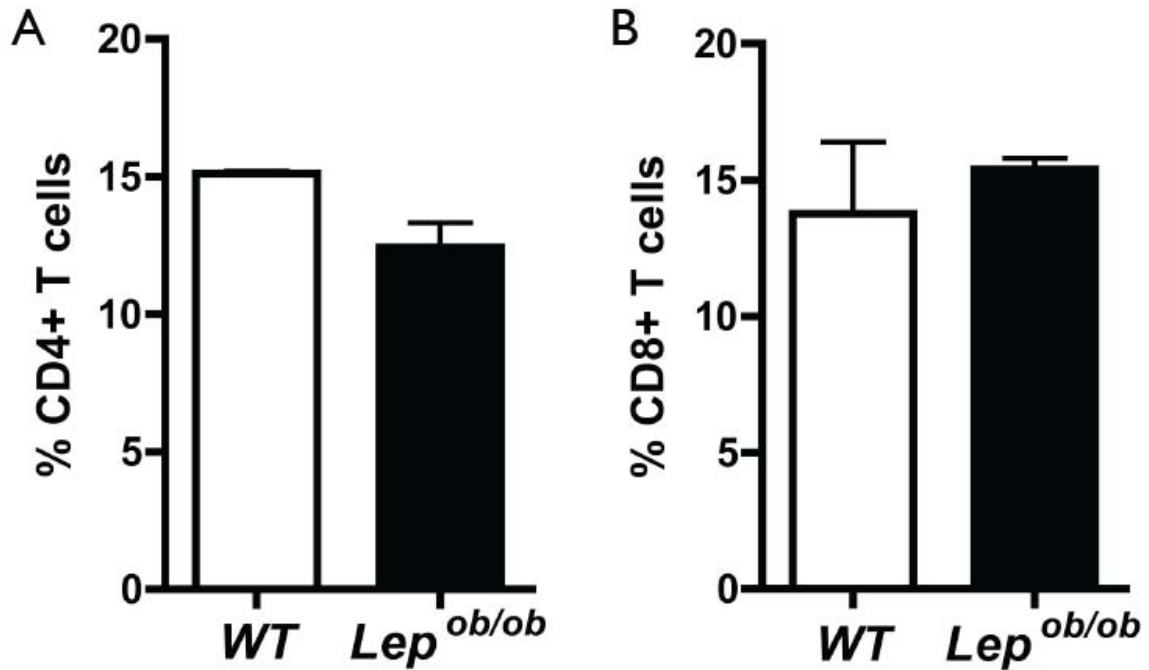


Figure S1: Frequency of lymph node CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells in the lymph nodes of nonmanipulated B6 *Lep^{ob/ob}* and control mice. The cells from the draining lymph nodes were obtained, stained with anti-CD4 (A) and anti-CD8 (B) monoclonal antibodies and analyzed by flow cytometry (n = 5 mice/group). Data are representative of two independent experiments. The results are shown as the mean \pm SEM. No statistical differences were observed among the groups.

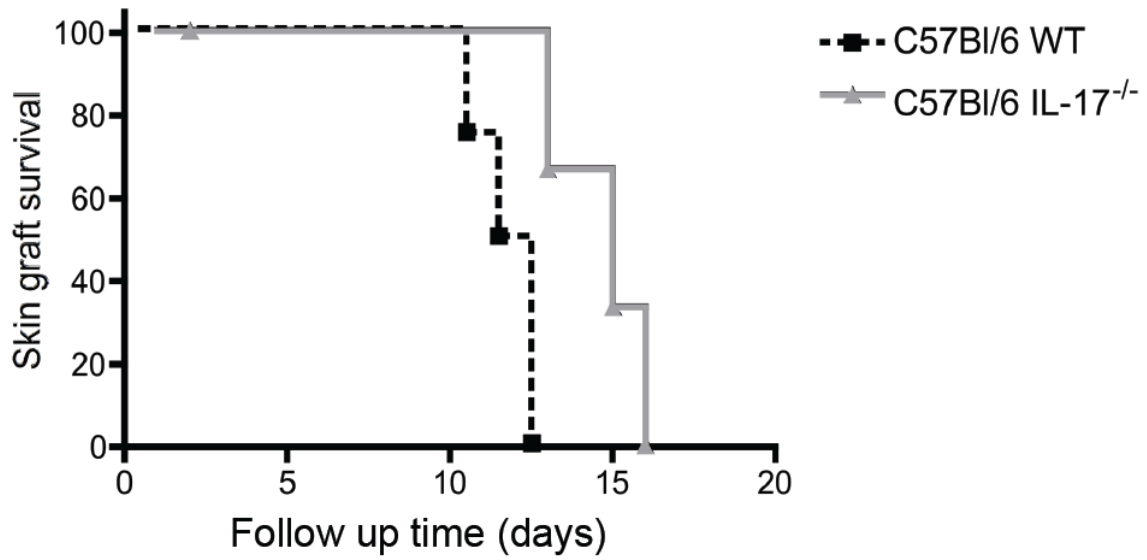


Figure S2: IL-17 does not influence fully mismatched skin allograft survival. CBA skin was transplanted onto normal or IL-17 KO B6 mice. Signs of allograft rejection were monitored daily, and survival is reported for individual animals as the time of graft rejection (n = 4 animals/group). The data are representative of two independent experiments.

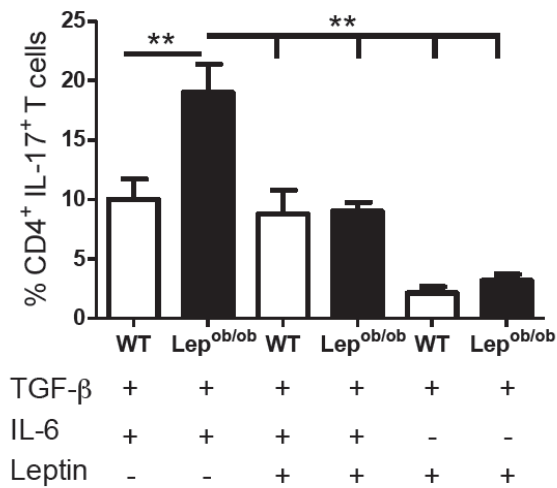
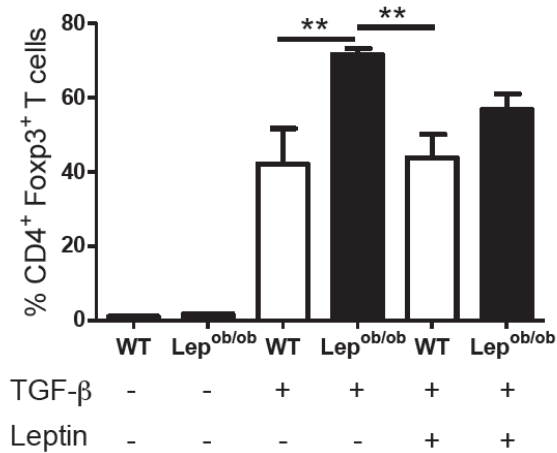


Figure S3: Tregs and Th17 cells from Lep^{ob/ob} naïve T cells are more effectively induced than those from WT naïve T cells. Naïve (CD4⁺CD62L⁺CD44⁻CD25⁻) T cells from wild-type or Lep^{ob/ob} B6 mice were cultured for 5 days in the presence or absence of TGF-β, IL-6 and leptin. Treg and Th17 differentiation of naïve CD4⁺ T cells from WT and Lep^{ob/ob} mice. The induction of Foxp3⁺ CD4⁺ T cells and IL-17⁺ CD4⁺ T cells was evaluated through the intracellular staining of Foxp3 and IL-17, respectively. The data are representative of three independent experiments. Lep^{ob/ob}: CD4⁺ T cells from Lep^{ob/ob} cultured in the absence of leptin; Lep^{ob/ob}Lep: CD4⁺ T cells from Lep^{ob/ob} cultured in the presence of recombinant leptin; WT: CD4⁺ T cells from wild-type mice. Data are represented from three independent experiments. The results are shown as the mean ± SEM. **p < 0.01.

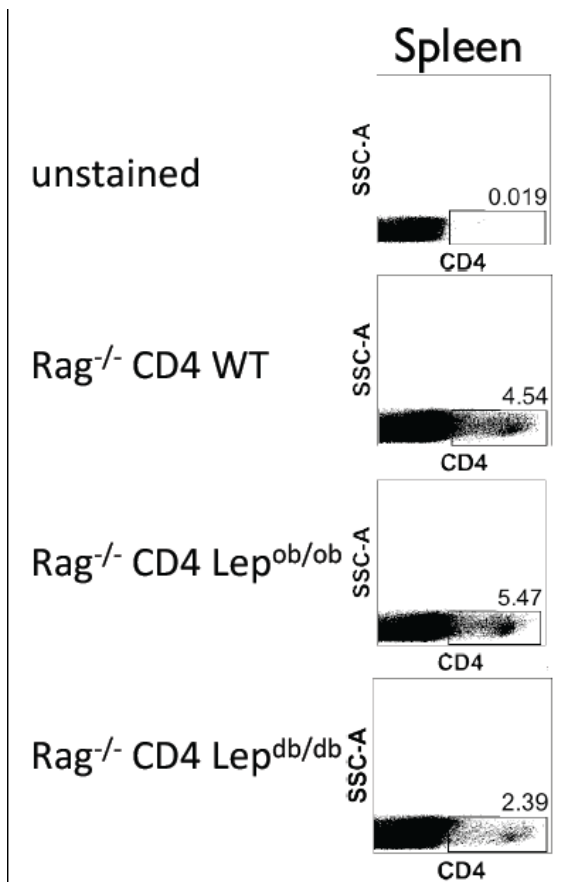


Figure S4: CD4⁺ T cell frequency in RAG^{-/-} skin-transplanted mice. A total of 5×10^6 purified CD4⁺ T cells from wild-type, Lep^{ob/ob} or Lep^{db/db} mice were transferred to skin-grafted RAG^{-/-} mice. At the time of the last graft rejection, the lymph nodes were obtained and stained with an anti-CD4 antibody. The cells were analyzed by flow cytometry. The data are representative of two independent experiments. (n = 3 mice/group).

