

Supporting Information

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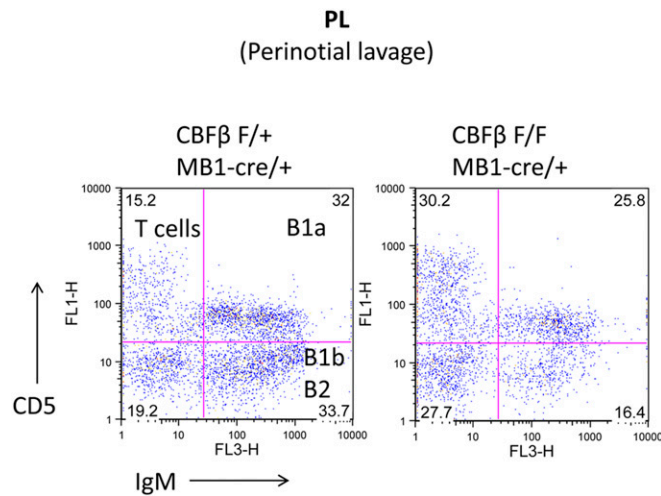


Fig. S1. The number of B-1a cells as well as B-2 cells is reduced in core-binding factor beta (*CBFβ*)^{F/F}:mb1-cre/+ mice. Peritoneal cells were collected from *Cbfb*^{F/+}:mb1-cre/+ and *Cbfb*^{F/F}:mb1-cre/+ mice. The percentage of B-1a cell population as well as B-1b and B-2 in *Cbfb*^{F/+}:mb1-cre/+ mice was slightly decreased. Total cell numbers of B-cell subsets were reduced to one third of *Cbfb*^{F/+}:mb1-cre/+ mice.

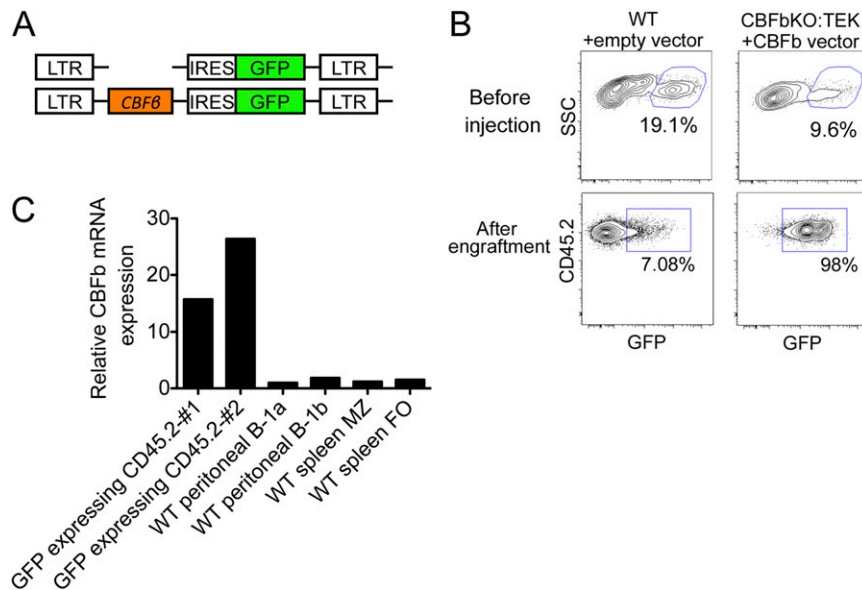


Fig. S2. *Cbfb* overexpression by retrovirus in *Cbfb*^{-/-}:endothelial-specific receptor tyrosine kinase (*Tek*)-*GFP/Cbfb* fetal-liver cells. (A) The retrovirus construct [MSCV-IRES-GFP (MIG)] for *Cbfb* overexpression (or control). (B) *Cbfb*-*GFP* expression in WT (Left) and *Cbfb*^{-/-}:*Tek*-*GFP/Cbfb* (Right) fetal-liver cells 24 h after transduction (Upper) and after engraftment in the recipient peritoneal cavity (Lower). (C) Quantitative *Cbfb* expressions in *Cbfb* retrovirus-infected donor-derived cells and WT B-cell subsets. CD45.2⁺ donor-derived cells were sorted from recipient mice transplanted with *Cbfb*^{-/-}:*Tek*-*GFP/Cbfb* fetal-liver cells infected with *Cbfb* retrovirus, and *Cbfb* expressions were examined in donor-derived cells (GFP expressing CD45.2-#1, and CD45.2-#2) and WT B-cell subsets in the peritoneal cavity and spleen.

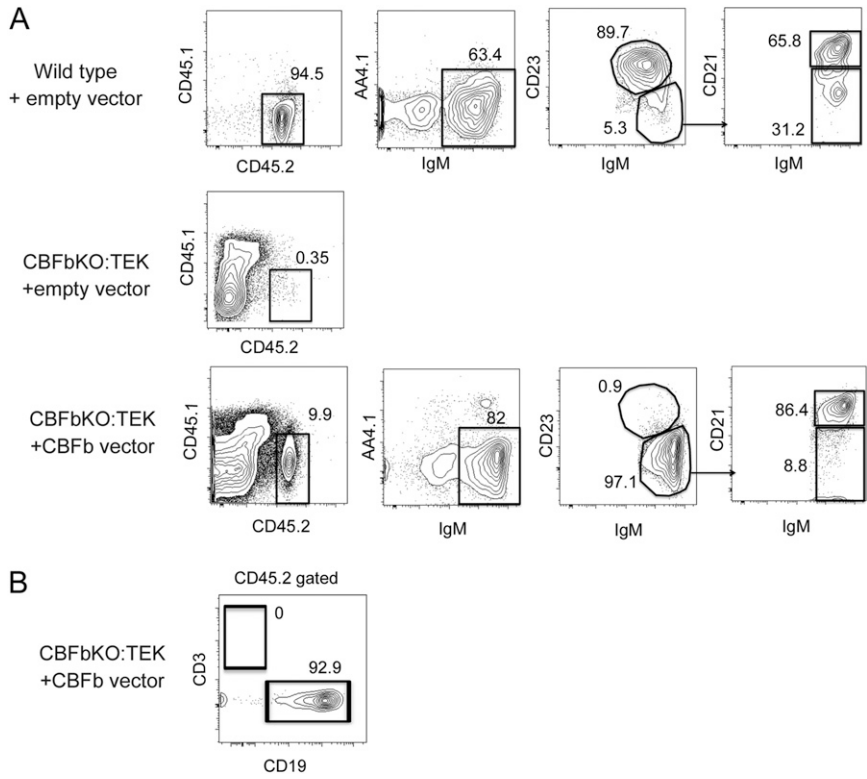


Fig. S3. Overexpression of *Cbfb* rescued *Cbfb*^{-/-}:*Tek*-GFP/*Cbfb* fetal liver cell-derived MZ cell engraftment in the recipient spleen. (A) Spleen cells of recipient mice transplanted with fetal-liver cells from WT with empty vector (Top), *Cbfb*^{-/-}:*Tek*-GFP/*Cbfb* fetal-liver cells expressing empty vector control (Middle), and *Cbfb* vector (Bottom). (B) Spleen cells of recipient mice transplanted with *Cbfb*^{-/-}:*Tek*-GFP/*Cbfb* fetal-liver cells expressing *Cbfb* vector. Donor CD45.2 gated. Representative FACS dot plots were depicted from two sets of experiments.