

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Supplementary Figure Legends

Supplementary Figure 1: Purification of human HSC from cord blood. (A) Flow cytometry plots and gating strategy used for the purification of human HSC, defined as Lin⁻CD34⁺CD38⁻CD90⁺ cells, from cord blood. (B) Post-sort analysis of purified human HSC from panel A.

Supplementary Figure 2: Comparison of Esam1 cell surface expression on CD34⁺ and CD34⁻KLSF (c-kit⁺Lin⁻Sca1⁺Fik2⁻) cells from mouse BM.

Supplementary Figure 3: Analysis of Esam1 cell surface expression on defined hematopoietic subpopulations from mouse BM. (A) Flow cytometry plots and gating strategy used to assess Esam1 cell surface protein expression. Grey histograms, negative control stain (fluorescence minus one); red histograms, Esam1 expression. CMP, common myeloid progenitors; GMP, granulocyte/monocyte progenitor; MEP, megakaryocyte/erythroid progenitor; CLP, common lymphoid progenitor.

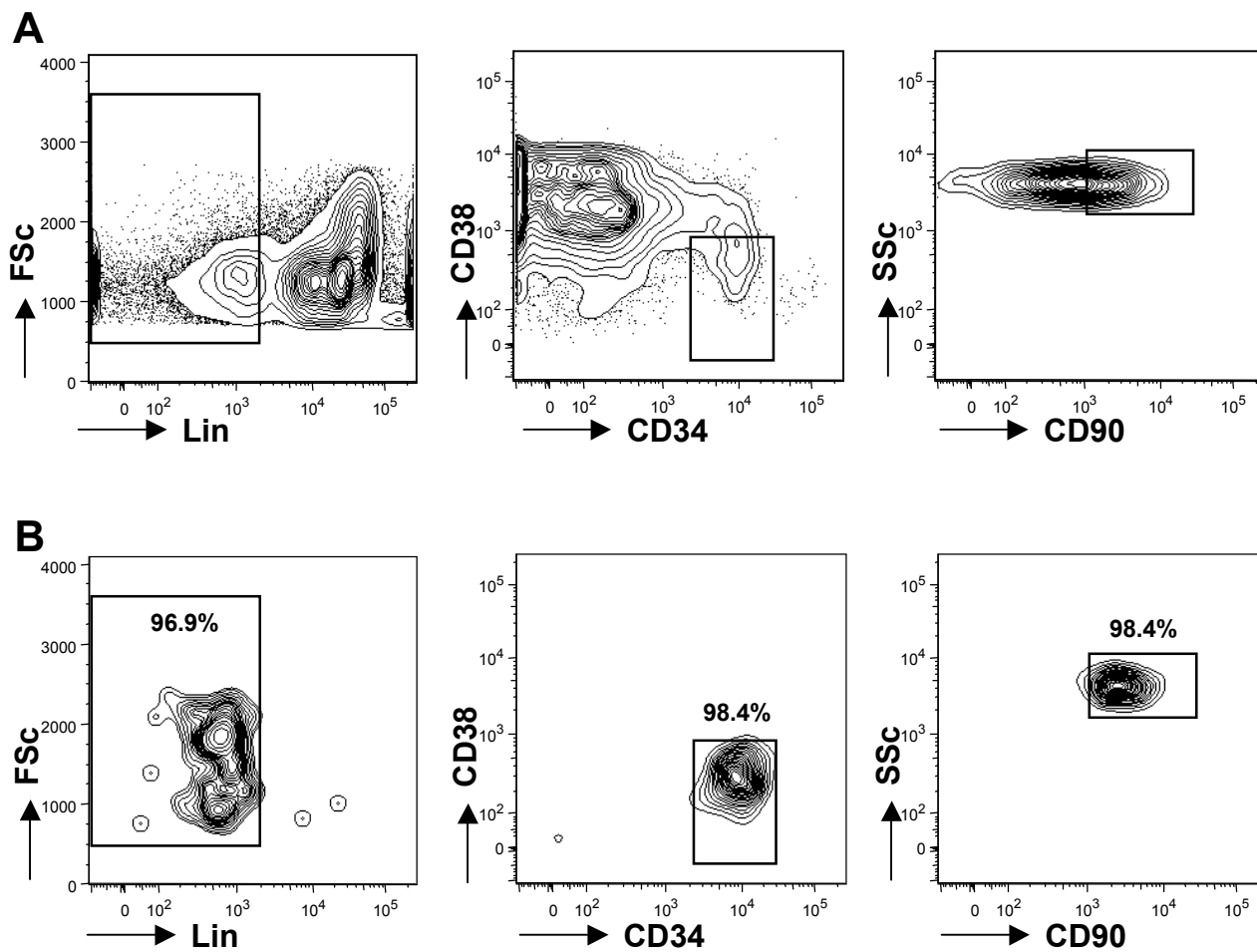
Supplementary Figure 4: Enrichment of putative HSC using Esam1 as a marker in different mouse strains. Esam1 strongly enriches for the putative HSC-containing c-kit⁺Slamf1⁺Lin⁻ population in C57BL/6, FVB, BALB/c and AKR strains. The left column shows the c-kit versus Slamf1 profile for the Lin⁻ cell population across four different mouse strains and the right column shows the c-kit versus Slamf1 profile for the Lin⁻Esam1⁺ cell population across the four different mouse strains as indicated. Adding Esam1 as a marker enriches for c-kit⁺Slamf1⁺Lin⁻ cells in all strains examined.

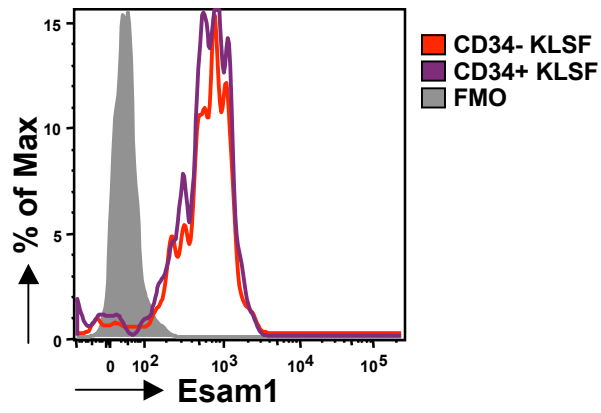
Supplementary Figure 5: Peripheral blood chimerism in mice transplanted with 10⁵ unfractionated mononuclear bone marrow cells from wildtype or Esam1-deficient mice. (A)

Total donor chimerism. WBM cell from $Esam1^{-/-}$ mice give rise to slightly more progeny compared to WBM cells from wt mice. Differences were not statistically significant ($p > 0.05$). **(B)** Cell type composition in mice from (A). By 21 weeks, mice transplanted with cells from $Esam1$ -deficient mice gave rise to more T cells as compared to mice transplanted with cells from wildtype mice (*, $p < 0.008$, Student's *t* test).

Supplemental Figure 1

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Supplemental Figure 3

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