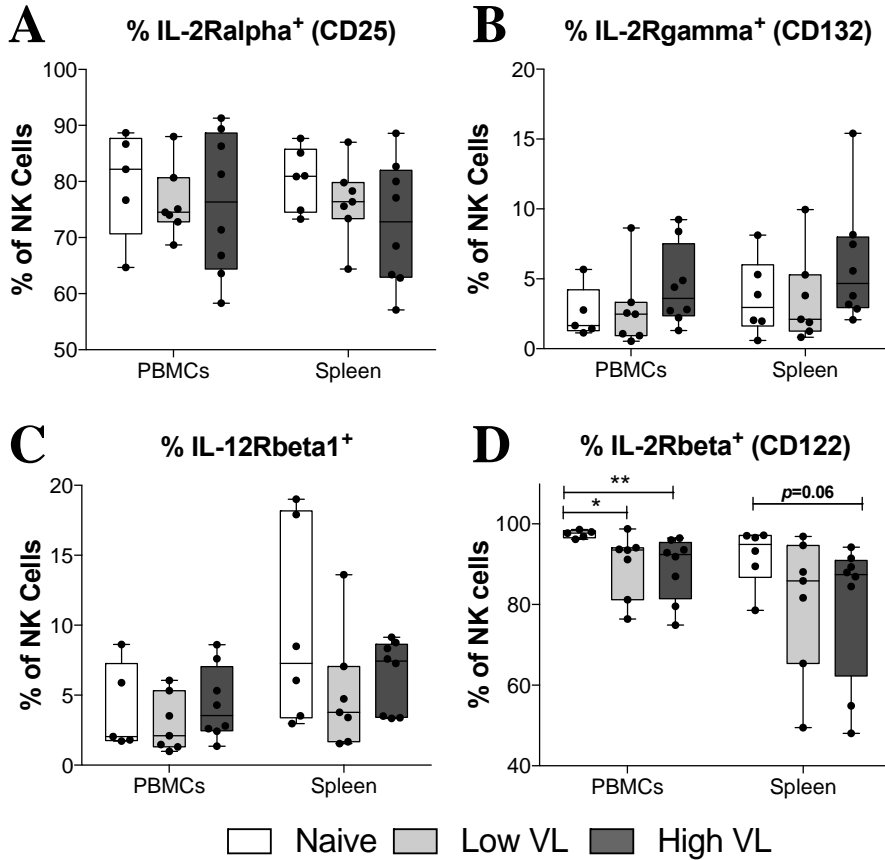


Supplementary Fig. 1.- Gating strategy used to identify NK cells in PBMCs, Spleen and Liver. Single-cell suspensions were stained with fluorochrome-conjugated monoclonal antibodies and NK cells were identified as live CD20⁻CD14⁻CD3⁻CD8⁺NKG2A⁺ lymphocytes.



Supplementary Fig. 2.- Expression of CD25 (A), CD132 (B), IL-12R β 1 (C) and CD122 (D) in NK cells from PBMCs and spleen single-cell suspensions that were viably frozen. Data are shown as minimum to maximum floating bars with a horizontal line representing the mean. *, $p < 0.05$ and **, $p < 0.01$ indicate statistically significant differences by Mann-Whitney t test.