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Figure S1. Ii-TGO induced DO11 T cell activation and autoantibody production. (A, B) CFSE-labeled DO11 T cells were injected into TRE-TGO Tg, Ii-rtTA Tg and Ii-rtTA x TRE-TGO (IiTGO) double Tg mice, that either were or were not provided with Dox, and proliferation was evaluated at 5 days post injection. (C) Spleen weights (gms) of IiTGO mice injected with DO11 T cells fed with or without Dox (n= 20 per group) (D) Non-irradiated or sub-lethally (400R) irradiated mice were provided with Dox and injected with naïve or activated DO11 T cells. Sera collected 4 weeks post-injection were assayed for autoantibody production by immunofluorescent staining of HEp2 cells. Magnification-200X. **p < 0.01 using two-tailed Student's t test.

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907 Supplemental Figure 2

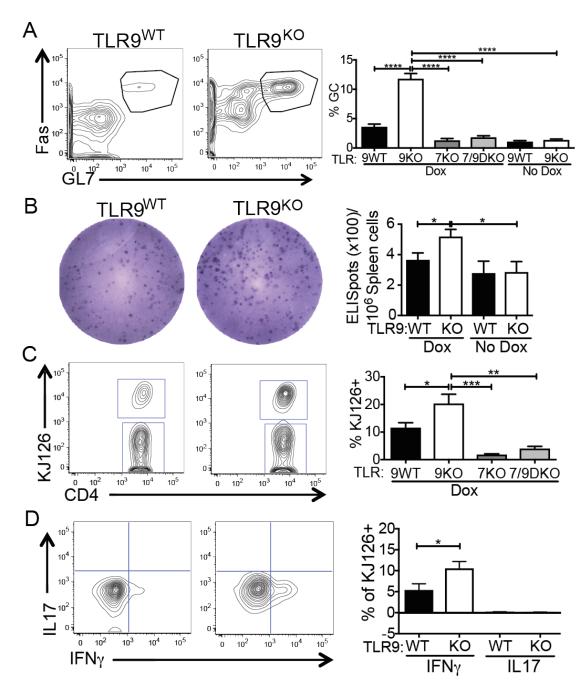


Figure S2. TLR9-deficiency promotes germinal centers and development of T_H1 in spleen. Spleen cell suspensions from DO11-injected Dox/400R TLR9^{WT}, TLR9^{KO}, TLR7^{KO} and TLR7/9^{DKO} IiTGO mice at 4 weeks post injection were analyzed for: (A) GC markers Fas and GL7 in B220⁺ gate; (B) plasma cells by ELISPOT assay; (C) % DO11 T cells in the CD4⁺ gate; and (D) % cytokine producing cells in KJ126⁺ gate. Plots shown are representative of five independent experiments with n=20 mice per group. *p < 0.05 and ****p < 0.0001 using Oneway ANOVA with Sidak's multiple-comparison test.

917 Supplemental Figure 3

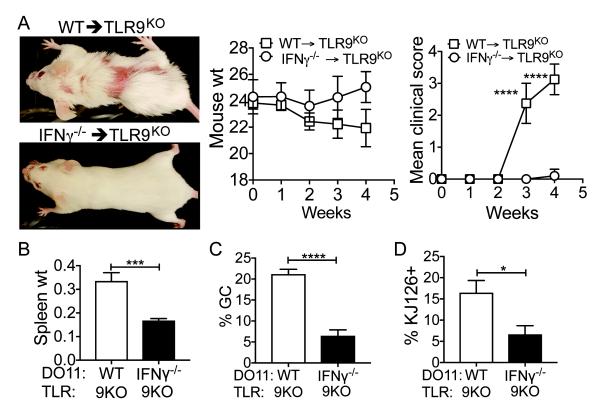


Figure S3: IFN γ^{-1} DO11 T cells fail to induce skin lesion in TLR9^{KO} IiTGO mice. DO11 or IFN γ^{-1} DO11 T cell-injected Dox/400R TLR9^{KO} IiTGO recipients were analyzed 4 weeks post injection. (A) Clinical appearance, mouse weights (gms) and skin clinical score; (B) spleen weights; (C) Fas⁺ and GL7⁺ GC B220⁺ cells in spleen; and (D) % KJ126⁺ cells in the CD4⁺ gate in spleen. Data is shown as mean±SEM and is representative of two independent experiments with n=7 mice per group. *p < 0.05, ***p < 0.001, ****p < 0.0001 using Student's t test and two-way ANOVA with Sidak's multiple-comparison test.