Surgical splenectomy does not increase leukemic burden in NSG mice engrafted with human AML. Human AML disease burden in the (A) BM and (B) PB of NSG sham (n=5) and NSG spln- (n=5) mice engrafted with 3 independent primary AML samples. (C) Representative IHC stain of human CD45 (brown) in the lung, kidney, liver, and heart to estimate organ infiltration of human AML in NSG sham and NSG spln- mice. Scale bars represent $100\mu m$ (10x top panel) and $50 \mu m$ (40x bottom panel).