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Supplemental Information

**Divergent Role for STAT5 in the Adaptive
Responses of Natural Killer Cells**

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Supplementary Material

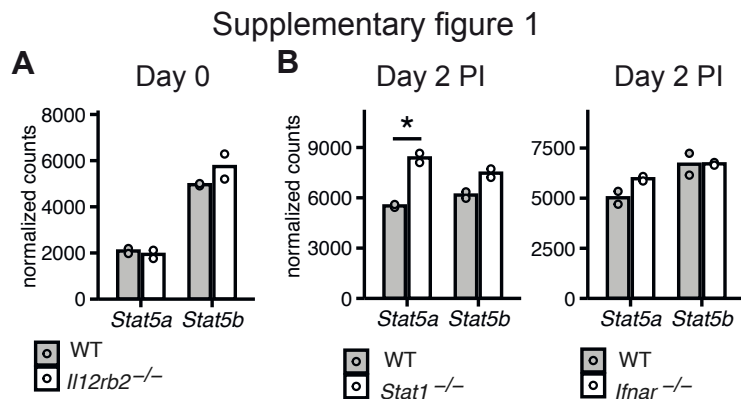


Fig. S1. IL-12- and STAT4-dependent induction of STAT5 in NK cells during MCMV infection. Related to Figure 1.

(A) RNA-seq on WT vs. *Il12rb2*^{-/-} NK cells from mixed BMC on day 0 (uninfected). Normalized counts of *Stat5a* and *Stat5b* are displayed. (B) RNA-seq on WT vs. *Stat1*^{-/-} or *Ifnar*^{-/-} from mixed BMC on day 2 PI. Normalized counts of *Stat5a* and *Stat5b* are displayed.

Supplementary figure 2

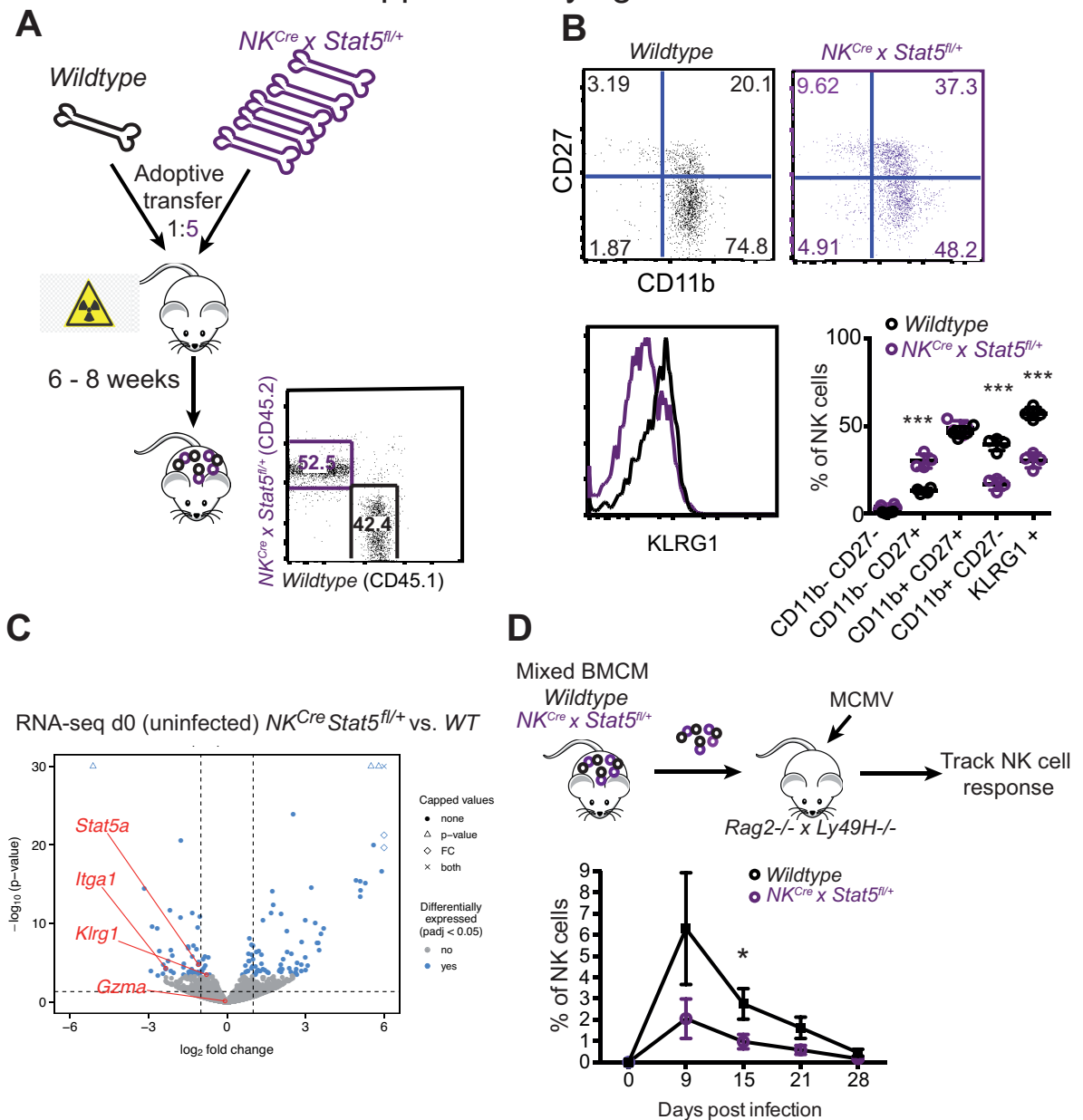


Fig. S2. STAT5-dependent anti-viral NK cell response. Related to figure 2.

(A-C). Mixed bone marrow chimeras (mBMC) were generated by lethal irradiation (900 cGy) of host mice, which were then reconstituted with a 1:5 mixture of bone marrow cells from WT and $NK^{Cre} \times Stat5^{fl/+}$ donor mice. (A) Experimental schematic of mBMC generation. Representative flow blot of NK cell reconstitution 8 weeks after reconstitution. (B) Analysis of NK cell maturation markers on WT and $NK^{Cre} \times Stat5^{fl/+}$ NK cells in mBMC 8 weeks post reconstitution. (Data is representative of at least 3 experiments). (C) Volcano blot of RNA-seq data on uninfected (d0) Ly49H⁺ WT or $NK^{Cre} \times Stat5^{fl/+}$ NK cells from mBMC. Blue dots show differentially expressed (FDR < 0.05) genes. Horizontal line indicates $p = 0.05$, and vertical lines show absolute \log_2 fold change = 1. (D) Splenocytes from mixed WT : $NK^{Cre} \times Stat5^{fl/+}$ BMC were adoptively transferred into $Rag2^{-/-} \times Ly49H^{-/-}$ mice and infected with MCMV. Graph shows percentage of Ly49H⁺ WT or KO NK cells of total NK cells over the course of infection. Data is representative of 2 independent experiments (n=3-4). All error bars indicate SEM.

Supplementary figure 3

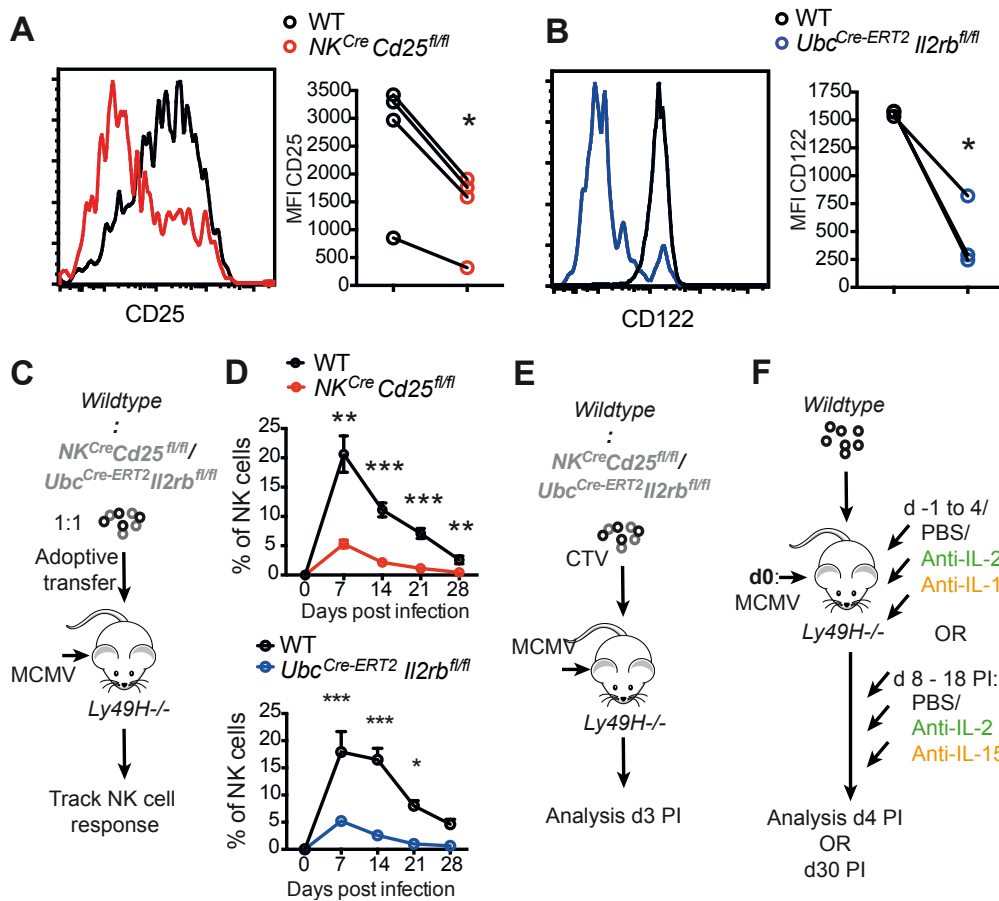


Fig. S3. Both IL-2 and IL-15 drive NK cell expansion *in vivo*. Related to figures 3 and 4. (A-C) Equal numbers of WT and $Ubc^{Cre-ERT2} \times Il2rb^{fl/fl}$ or $NK^{Cre} \times CD25^{fl/fl}$ NK cells were transferred into $Ly49h^{-/-}$ mice. Mice transferred with $Ubc^{Cre-ERT2} \times Il2rb^{fl/fl}$ NK cells were treated with tamoxifen on days -3, -2 and -1 before infection with MCMV. Following MCMV infection, relative percentages of $Ly49H^{+}$ WT and KO NK cells are displayed (n = 4-5). (A) Analysis of CD25 expression on WT and $NK^{Cre} \times CD25^{fl/fl}$ NK cells on day 3 PI. Data is representative of 2 independent experiments. (B) Analysis of CD122 expression on WT $Ubc^{Cre-ERT2} \times Il2rb^{fl/fl}$ on day 3 PI. Data is representative of 2 independent experiments. (C) Experimental schematic of adoptive transfer and infection. (D) Graphs display percentage of $Ly49H^{+}$ WT and $NK^{Cre} \times CD25^{fl/fl}$ or $Ubc^{Cre-ERT2} \times Il2rb^{fl/fl}$ NK cells of total NK cells over the course of infection. Data is representative of at least 2 independent experiments (n=4-5). (E). Experimental schematic of CTV labeling and analysis: NK cells from WT mice, $NK^{Cre} \times CD25^{fl/fl}$ mice, or $Ubc^{Cre-ERT2} \times Il2rb^{fl/fl}$ mice treated with tamoxifen on days -3, -2 and -1 were labeled with CTV and transferred into $Ly49h^{-/-}$ mice, followed by infection with MCMV. (F) Experimental schematic of antibody-mediated IL-2 and IL-15 depletion: WT $Ly49H^{+}$ NK cells were transferred into $Ly49h^{-/-}$ mice treated with PBS, anti-IL-2, or anti-IL-15 on day -1 to 4 PI (early) or days 8 to 18 PI (late) and analyzed on day 4 PI (early) or day 30 PI (late). All error bars indicate SEM.