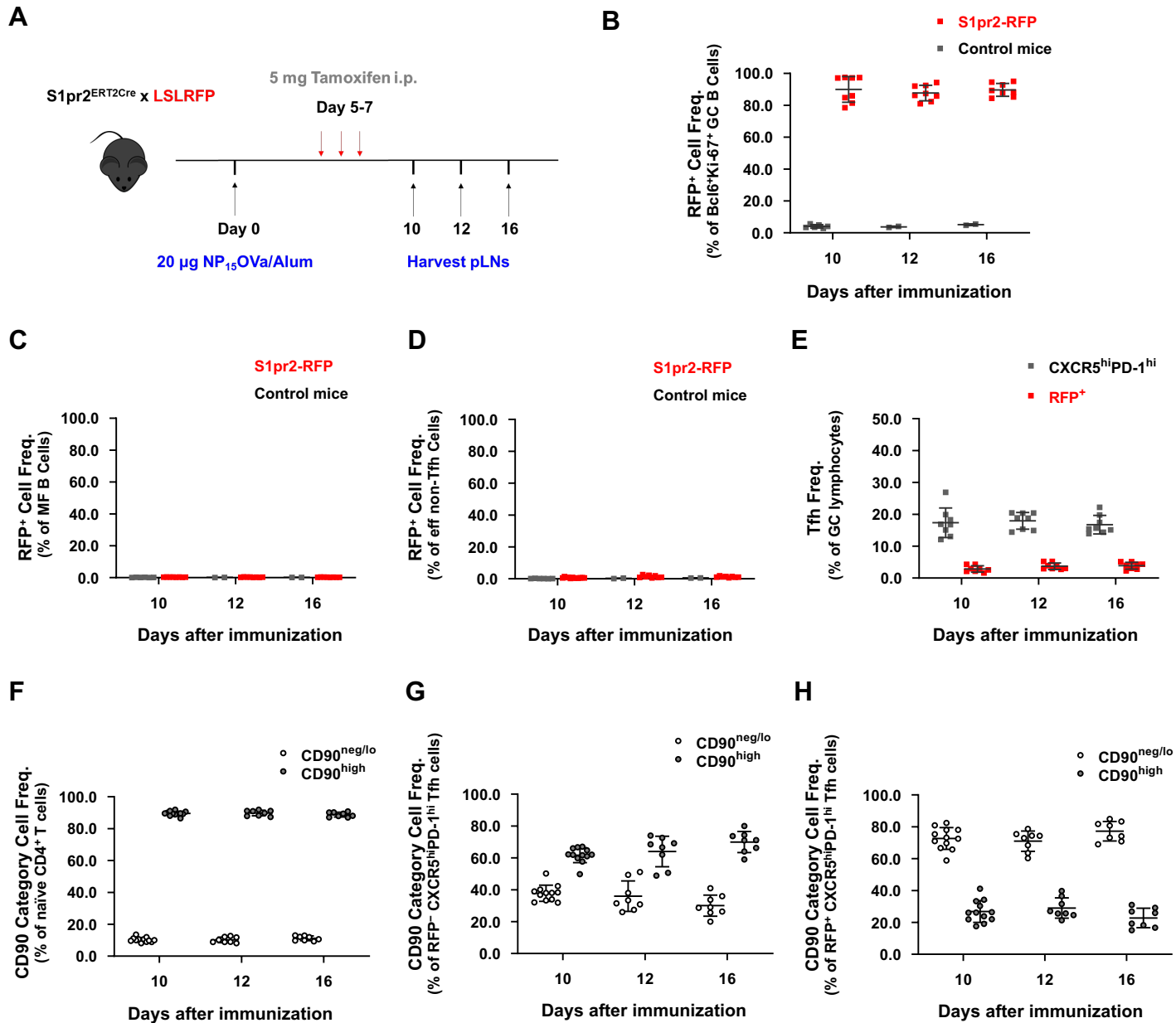
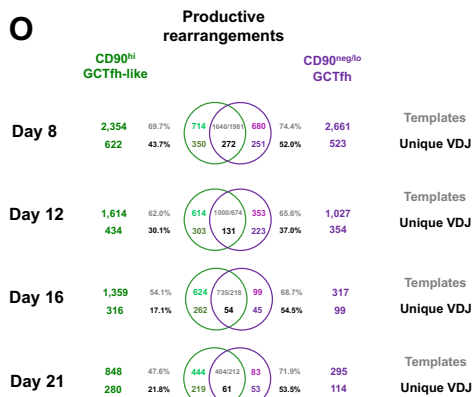
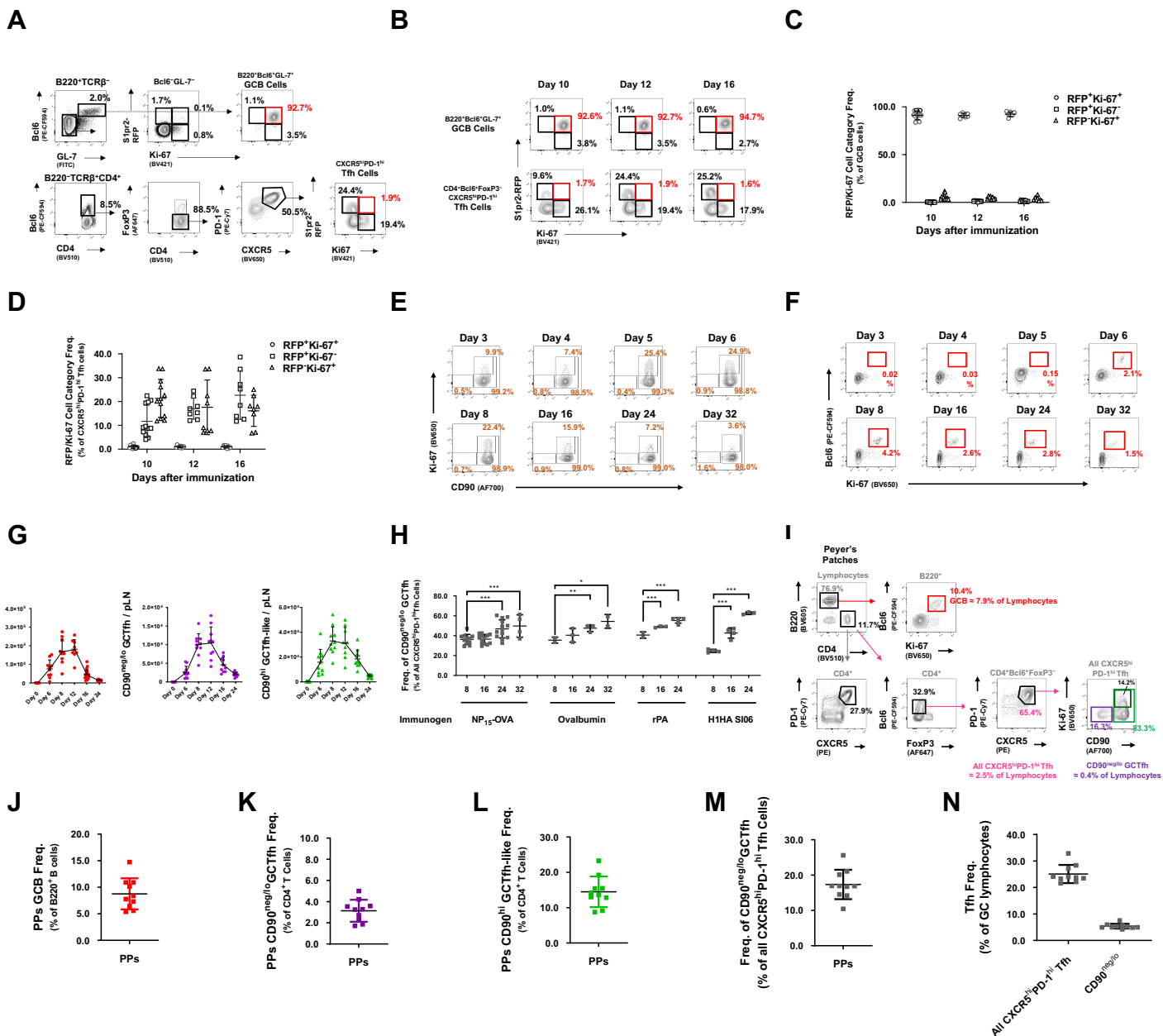


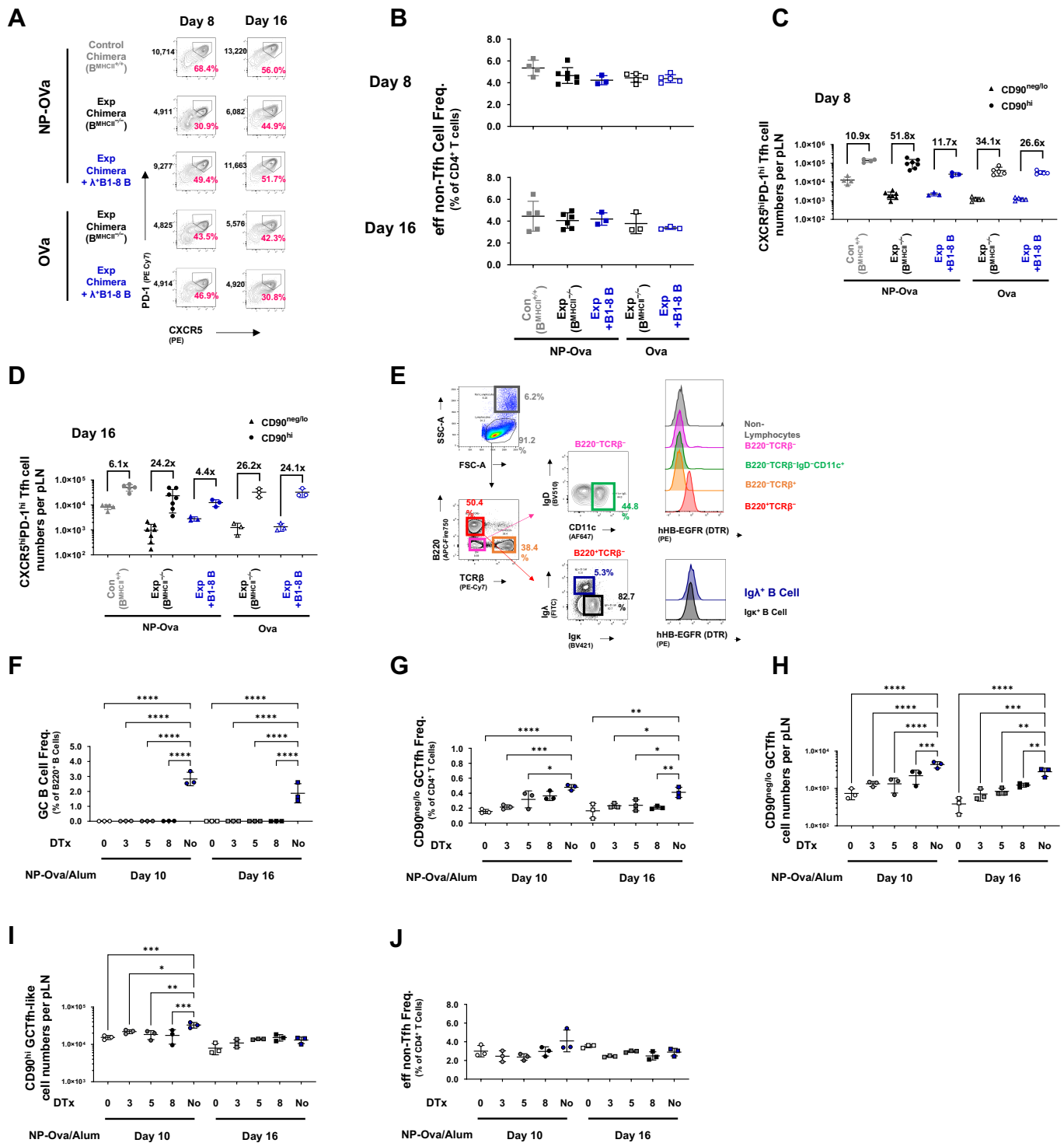
Supplementary Figure 1. Gating strategies to identify GC B cells and GCTfh cells (related to Figure 1). (A-B) B6 mice were immunized as described in Fig. 1A. (A) Lymphocytes harvested from the pLNs of immunized mice were pre-gated on single lymphocytes using the height, width and area of forward- and side-scatter signal. Dead cells were excluded using LIVE/DEAD™ reagents. GCB (red), GCTfh (magenta) and Tfh (light blue) cells were defined as B220⁺TCRβ⁻Bcl6⁺Ki-67⁺, B220⁺TCRβ⁺CD4⁺Bcl6⁺FoxP3⁺CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} and B220⁺TCRβ⁺CD4⁺Bcl6⁺FoxP3⁺CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} populations, respectively. The frequencies of GCB and Tfh cells among total harvested live/single lymphocytes are shown. (B) Split-channel images of Fig. 1C. The upper left panel represents merged signals from the other 5 panels. CD4 (green), CD21/CD35 (blue), IgD (gray), Ki-67 (red), Bcl6 (magenta). Magnification: x200, scale bars 50 μm. (C) PAGFP Tg mice were footpad-immunized and treated as described in Fig. 1E. Flow cytometry plots depicting the frequencies of GC B cells and Tfh populations among activated PAGFP (aPAGFP)⁺ (green) and aPAGFP⁻ (black) populations. (D-F) B6 mice were immunized as in Fig. 1A and analyzed at day 8 or 12 p.i. (D) Effector non-Tfh (eff non-Tfh; orange) cells were defined as B220⁺TCRβ⁺CD4⁺CD44⁺CD62L⁻Bcl6⁻FoxP3⁺CXCR5^{low}PD-1^{low}. (E) CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh (purple) and CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like (green) cells were defined as B220⁺TCRβ⁺CD4⁺Bcl6⁺FoxP3⁻CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi}CD90^{neg/lo} and B220⁺TCRβ⁺CD4⁺Bcl6⁺FoxP3⁻CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi}CD90^{hi} populations, respectively. The frequencies of CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} cells in CD90^{neg/lo} and CD90^{hi} Bcl6⁺FoxP3⁻ T cells are shown. (F) Split channel images of Fig. 1H. The upper left panel represents merged signals from the other 5 panels. CD4 (red), CD90 (green), IgD (gray), Bcl6 (blue), Ki-67 (cyan). Magnification: x630, scale bars 20 μm.



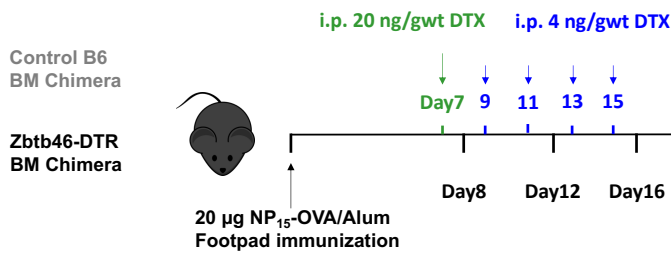
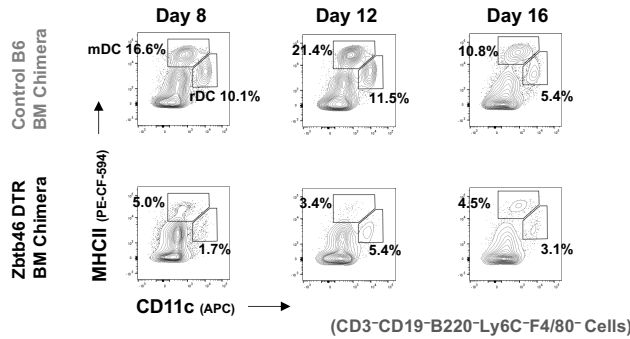
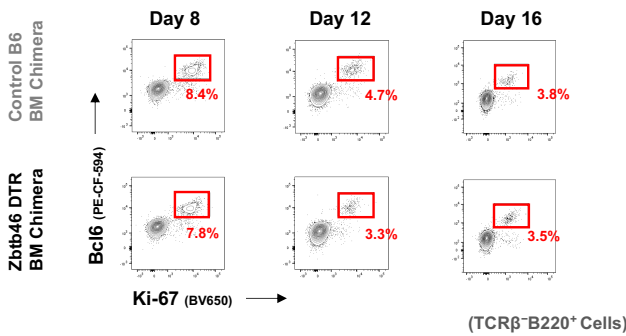
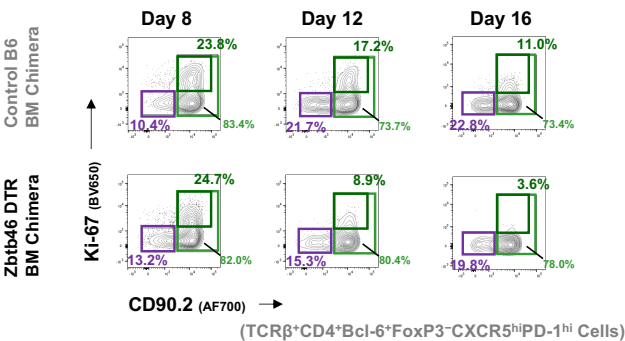
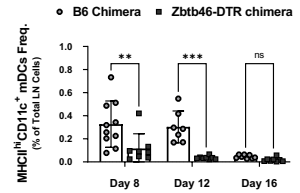
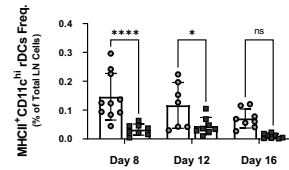
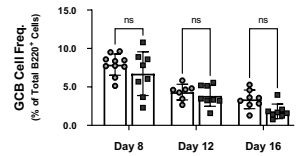
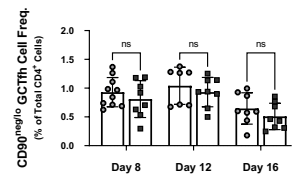
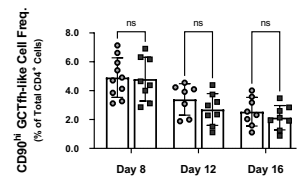
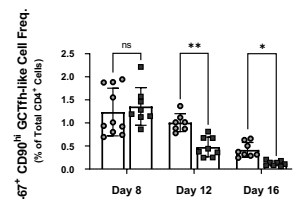
Supplementary Figure 2. Surface CD90 expression is specifically down-regulated on S1pr2-driven RFP-labeled GC-resident Tfh cells (related to Figure 2). S1pr2-RFP mice were footpad-immunized with 20 µg of NP-Ova in alum and treated with 5 mg tamoxifen (*i.p.*) daily at days 5-7 p.i. Draining pLNs were harvested at days 10, 12 and 16 p.i. **(A)** Diagram of the experimental design. **(B-D)** Frequencies of RFP⁺ cells among **(B)** GCB, **(C)** Mature follicular B cells and **(D)** eff non-Tfh cells ($n = 8$; mean \pm S.D.). **(E)** Frequencies of RFP-marked (red) or all CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells (black) in the GCs of individual pLNs ($n = 8$; mean \pm S.D.). **(F-H)** Frequencies of CD90^{hi} or CD90^{neg/lo} cells among **(F)** naive CD4⁺ T cells, **(G)** RFP⁻ and **(H)** RFP⁺ CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells at indicated time points. Each symbol represents an individual mouse. Data were pooled from ≥ 2 independent experiments.



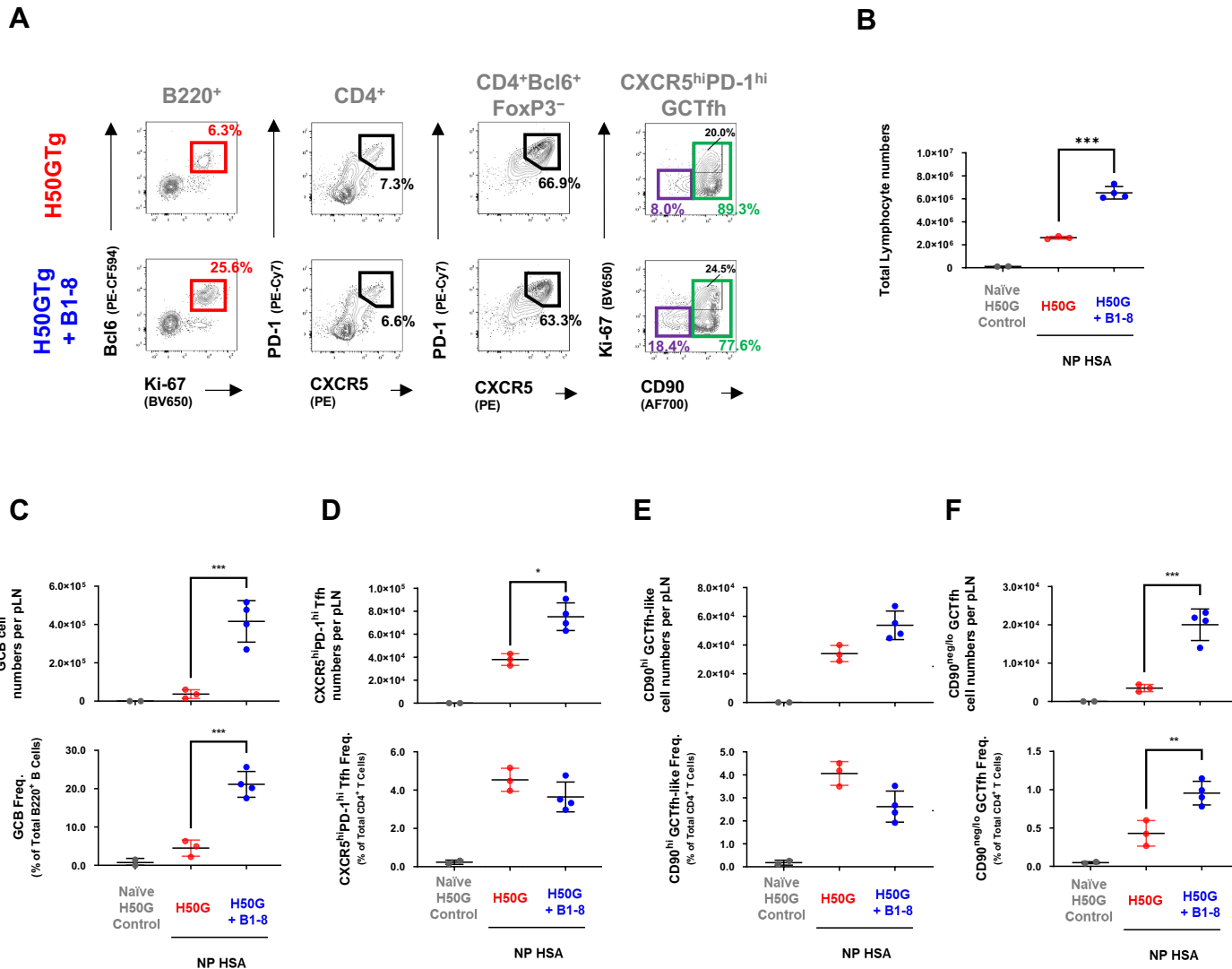
Supplementary Figure 3. GC-resident Tfh cells cease proliferating after GC organization (related to Figure 3). S1pr2-RFP mice were immunized and treated as described in Fig. S2A. (A) GCB and Tfh cells were defined as B220⁺TCRβ⁻Bcl6⁺GL-7⁺ and B220⁺TCRβ⁻CD4⁺Bcl6⁺FoxP3⁺CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} populations, respectively. The frequencies of RFP⁺ and Ki-67⁺ GCB and CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells are shown. (B) Representative flow contour plots showing the frequencies of RFP⁺Ki-67⁺ (circle), RFP⁺Ki-67⁻ (square), and RFP⁻Ki-67⁺ (triangle) cells among (C) GCB and (D) CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells at indicated time points (n = 8 at each time point; mean ± S.D.). (E-G) C57BL/6 mice were immunized and tissues were harvested as described in Fig. 1A. (E) Representative flow contour plots showing the frequencies of CD90^{neg/lo}Ki-67⁺, CD90^{hi}Ki-67⁺ (proliferating eff non-Tfh) and CD90^{hi} populations among the eff non-Tfh population in pLNs harvested at indicated time points. Eff non-Tfh were gated as in Fig. S1D. (F) Representative flow contour plots showing the frequencies of Bcl6⁺Ki-67⁺ GCB cells among B220⁺TCRβ⁻ total B cells at indicated time points. (G) The population kinetics (numbers) of GCB cells (red circle), CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like cells (green triangle) and CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh cells (purple hexagon) after immunization (n = 10 at each time point; mean ± S.D.). (H) B6 mice were immunized with 20 μg of either NP₁₅-Ova, Ova, rPA or rHA in alum, and pLN cells were analyzed at indicated time points. Shown are frequencies of CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh cells among all CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh populations in immunized pLNs (n > 3 at each time point; mean ± S.D.). (I-N) PPs from the small intestine of C57BL/6 mice were harvested, stained and subjected to flow cytometric analysis. (I) Representative flow plots show the frequency of GCB (red) among total lymphocytes and the frequencies of CD90^{neg/lo}Ki-67⁺ (CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh; purple), CD90^{hi}Ki-67⁺ (proliferating GCTfh-like; black) and CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like (light green) populations among all CD4⁺Bcl6⁺FoxP3⁺CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells in PPs. (J-L) Frequencies of PP (J) GCB cells, (K) CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh cells and (L) CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like cells. (M) Frequencies of PP CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh cells among all CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells. (N) Frequencies of all CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh and CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh in GC lymphocytes (GCB + indicated Tfh) of harvested PPs (n = 10; mean ± S.D.). (O) FoxP3^{EGFP} mice were footpad-immunized with 20 μg of NP-Ova in alum. CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh (purple) and CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like cells (green) were sorted from the same pLN at indicated time points and were subjected to high-throughput TCRβ sequencing. Venn diagrams show the numbers and frequencies of unique and shared templates (Gray; upper row) or VDJ rearrangements (Black; lower row) between CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh and CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like subsets. Gating strategies are shown in Fig. S7A. Data represent one of two independent experiments. (C-D, G-H, J-N) Each symbol represents an individual mouse. Data were pooled from at least two independent experiments. Statistical significance was measured using ordinary ANOVA followed by Dunnett's multiple comparison post-tests against the day 8 group in each immunization (*P<0.05; **P<0.01; ***P<0.001).



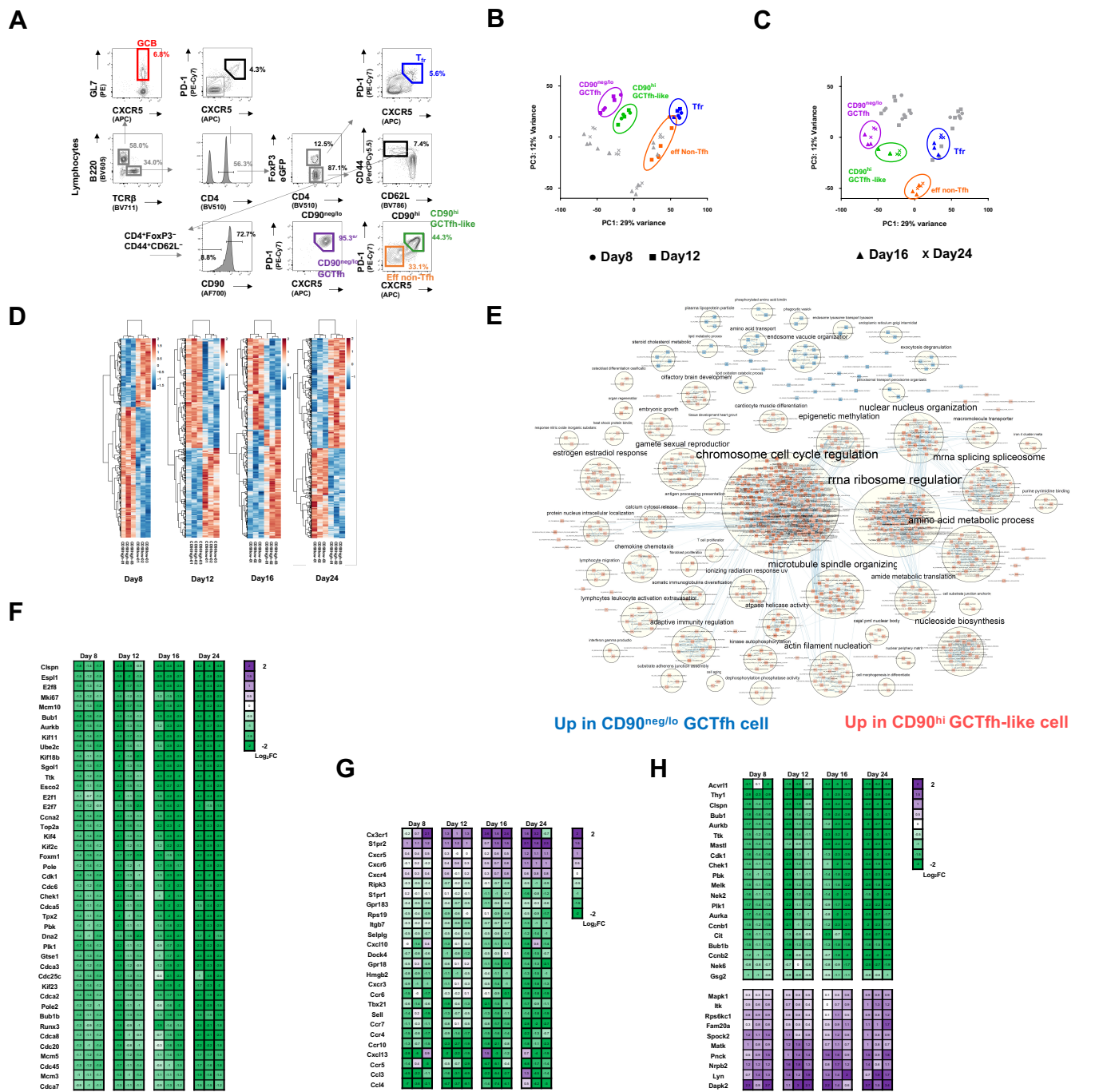
Supplementary Figure 4. CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh differentiation requires B cells to present cognate pMHCII until GCs completely coalesce (related to Fig. 4 and 5). (A-D) Chimeric mice were generated and treated as described in Fig. 4A. (A) Representative flow contour plots depicting the frequencies of CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} cells (magenta) among CD4⁺Bcl6⁺FoxP3⁻ Tfh cells in pLNs at days 8 and 16 p.i. The cross marks the MFI signal within the CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} gate. Black numbers to the left of each panel denote the PD-1 (PECy7) MFI within the gated population. (B) Frequencies of eff non-Tfh cells among CD4⁺ cells at indicated time points. (C-D) absolute numbers of CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh (triangle) and CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like (circle) cells per pLN at (C) day 8 and (D) day 16 p.i. (A-D; n = 3-8 at each time point; mean \pm S.D.). (E) Human HB-EGP receptor (diphtheria toxin [DTx] receptor) expression on blood leukocytes from Mb1^{Cre} x DTR^{LSL} mice. The DT receptor was expressed on all B220⁺ B cells. (F-J) Chimeric mice were generated and treated as in Fig. 5A. Shown are (F) frequencies of GCB cells, (G) frequencies of CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh, (H) absolute numbers of CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh, (I) absolute numbers of CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like and (J) frequencies of eff non-Tfh in CD4⁺ cells at indicated time points (F-J; n = 3 at each time point; mean \pm S.D.). Each symbol represents an individual mouse. Data were pooled from at least two independent experiments. Statistical significance was measured using ordinary ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple comparison post-tests (***P<0.01; ****P<0.001).

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Supplementary Figure 5. Depletion of cDCs during GC responses halt proliferation in CD90^{hi} Tfh-like cells (related to Figure 4 and 5). (A) Diagram of the experimental design. (B) Representative flow contour plots showing the frequencies of MHCII^{hi}CD11c⁺ mDCs and MHCII^{hi}CD11c^{hi} rDCs among CD3-CD19-B220-Ly6C-F4/80⁻ cells in pLNs at indicated time points. (C) Representative flow contour plots showing the frequencies of Bcl6⁺Ki-67⁺ GCB cells (red) among B220⁺TCR β ⁻ total B cells in pLNs at indicated time points. (D) Representative flow cytometry contour plots depicting the frequencies CD90^{neg/lo} Ki-67⁻ (CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh; purple), CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like (light green) or Ki-67⁺CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like (dark green) cells among all CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells in pLNs at indicated time points. (E-J) Frequencies of (E) MHCII^{hi}CD11c⁺ mDCs among all pLN cells, (F) MHCII^{hi}CD11c^{hi} rDCs among all pLN cells, (G) GCB cells among total B220⁺ B cells, (H) CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh cells, (I) CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like cells and (J) Ki-67⁺CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like cells among all CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells at indicated time points (n = 7-10 at each time point; mean \pm S.D.). Each symbol represents an individual chimera mouse from at least two independent experiments. Statistical significance was measured using two-way ANOVA followed by Sidak's multiple comparison post-tests (*P<0.05; **P<0.01; *** P<0.001, ****P<0.0001).



Supplementary Figure 6. Transfer of B1-8 B cells to B6.H50G μ transgenic mice increases GCB- as well as GC-resident CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh-responses after NP-immunization (related to Figure 6). Recipient B6.H50G μ transgenic mice injected with PBS (control) or 1×10^5 NP+ B1-8i mature follicular B cells (experiment) were immunized with 20 μ g of NP-HSA in alum via footpad. pLN lymphocytes were harvested, stained and examined by flow cytometry 8 days p.i. **(A)** Representative flow contour plots showing the frequencies of B220⁺Bcl6⁺Ki-67⁺ GC B cells (red; far left panel), all CD4⁺CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells (left panel), CD4⁺Bcl6⁺FoxP3⁻CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} GCTfh cells (right panel) and the frequencies of CD90^{neg/lo}Ki-67⁻ (CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh; purple), CD90^{hi}Ki-67⁺ (proliferating GCTfh-like; black) and CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like (green) populations in pLNs harvested from control and experiment mice at day 8 p.i. **(B-F)** Absolute numbers and frequencies of **(B)** lymphocytes, **(C)** GCB cells, **(D)** all CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} Tfh cells, **(E)** CD90^{hi}GCTfh-like cells and **(F)** CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh cells at day 8 p.i. (n = 3-4; mean \pm S.D.). Each symbol represents an individual mouse. Results pooled from at least two independent experiments. Statistical significance was measured using ordinary ANOVA followed by Tukey's multiple comparison post-tests (*P<0.05; **P<0.01; ***P<0.001).



Supplementary Figure 7. CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh and CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like cells are phenotypically similar but functionally and physiologically divergent populations (related to Figure 7). FoxP3^{EGFP} mice were footpad-immunized with 20 μ g of NP-OVA in alum and harvested at days 8, 12, 16 and 24 p.i. CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh (purple) and CD90^{hi} GCTfh-like (green) cells were sorted from the same pLN and subjected to ultra-low RNA sequencing. **(A)** CD90^{low}GCTfh (purple), CD90^{hi}GCTfh-like (green), eff Non-Tfh (orange) and Tfr (light blue) cells were sorted as B220-TCR β +CD44+CD62L-FoxP3-CD90^{neg/lo}GCTfh (purple), B220-TCR β +CD44+CD62L-FoxP3-CD90^{hi}CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi}, B220-TCR β +CD44+CD62L-FoxP3-CD90^{hi}CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi}, B220-TCR β +CD44+CD62L-FoxP3-CD90^{hi}CXCR5^{low}PD-1^{low} and B220-TCR β +CD44+CD62L-FoxP3+CXCR5^{hi}PD-1^{hi} populations, respectively. **(B)** Principal components analysis of day 8 and day 12 samples. **(C)** Principal components analysis of day 16 and day 24 samples. **(D)** Heatmap graph representing differentially expressed genes in GCTfh and Tfh-like cells at indicated time points ($P < 0.05$ & ≥ 2 -fold-change for each comparison). Gene expression was z-score normalized and the samples and genes were clustered by correlation distance with complete linkage. **(E)** Gene set enrichment analysis was performed to identify gene ontology terms with altered gene expression for each of the comparisons performed. Significant gene sets with $FDR < 0.1$ or $P < 0.01$ were visualized with Cytoscape and Enrichment Map. GSEA Enrichment results were mapped as a network of gene sets (nodes) related by mutual overlap (edges), where the color intensity represents significance and color hue represents the class of interest (that is, enriched in CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh, blue; enriched in CD90^{hi}GCTfh-like, red). Groups of gene set comparison nodes with overlapped gene list (Overlap coefficient > 0.375) are circled and labeled with AutoAnnotate 1.3 using clusterMaker 2. **(F-H)** Heatmap graph showing the fold-change of **(F)** cell division- and proliferation-, **(G)** chemotaxis- and cell migration- and **(H)** protein kinase phosphorylation-related gene expression in CD90^{neg/lo} GCTfh over CD90^{hi}GCTfh-like cells in each individual pLN. Numbers indicate the value of log₂ fold-change in gene expression in each sample ($n = 3$ at each time point).