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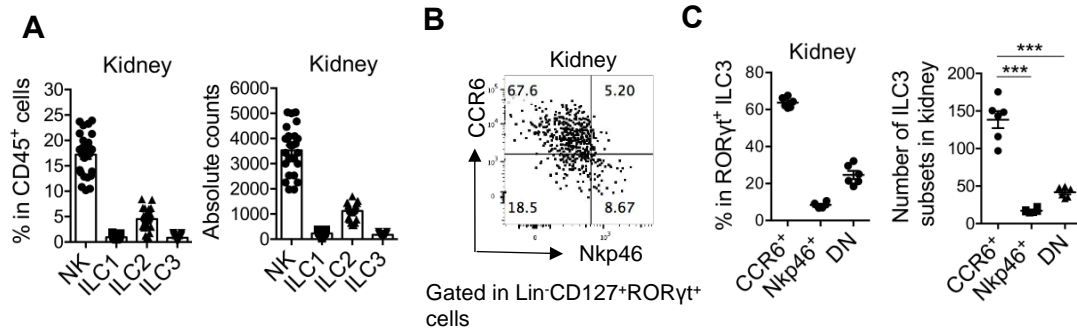


Figure S1. Distribution of ILC subsets in the kidney.

A) The percentages in CD45⁺ cells and absolute numbers of different ILC subsets from the kidney of WT mice are shown (n=25 mice). Data shown are representative of five independent experiments. B) Representative plot shows CCR6 and Nkp46 expression on the RORγt⁺ ILC3 in the kidney of WT mice. C) The percentages in total RORγt⁺ ILC3 and absolute numbers of ILC3 subsets (CCR6⁺, Nkp46⁺ and CCR6⁻Nkp46⁻ cells) from the kidney of WT mice are shown (n=6 mice). Data are pooled from two independent experiments. Data are shown as the mean ± SEM. One-way ANOVA test (C) was used for statistical analysis, ****p<0.001. Each dot represents one individual mouse.

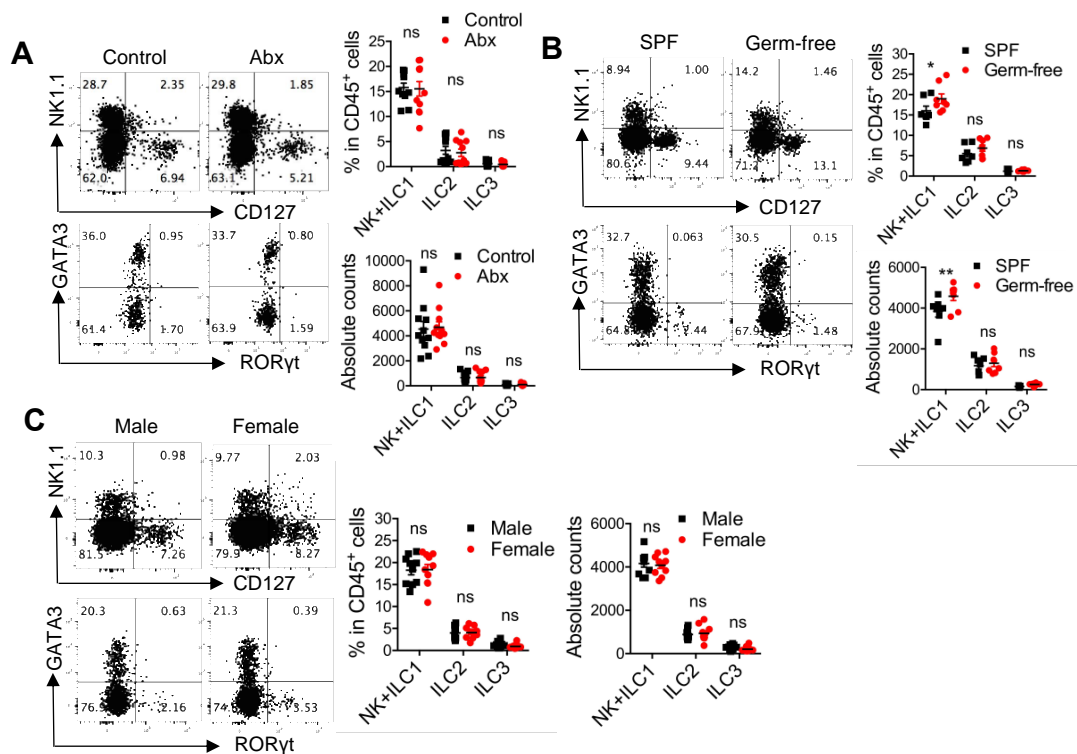


Figure S2. Both commensal and sex did not influence the maintenance of kidney-resident ILCs.

A) Representative plots, percentages and absolute numbers of different ILC subsets in the kidney of the antibiotics-treated (Abx) mice and the control C57BL/6 mice are shown (n=11 mice). B) Representative plots, percentages and absolute numbers of different ILC subsets in the kidney of germ-free mice and SPF C57BL/6 mice at the same age are shown (n=8 mice). C) Representative plots, percentages and absolute numbers of different ILC subsets in the kidney of male and female C57BL/6 mice at the same age are shown (n=10 mice). Mice in these experiments are adult. Data are pooled from two independent experiments, and shown as mean \pm SEM. Two-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni test was conducted for statistical analysis. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$; ns, no significant difference.

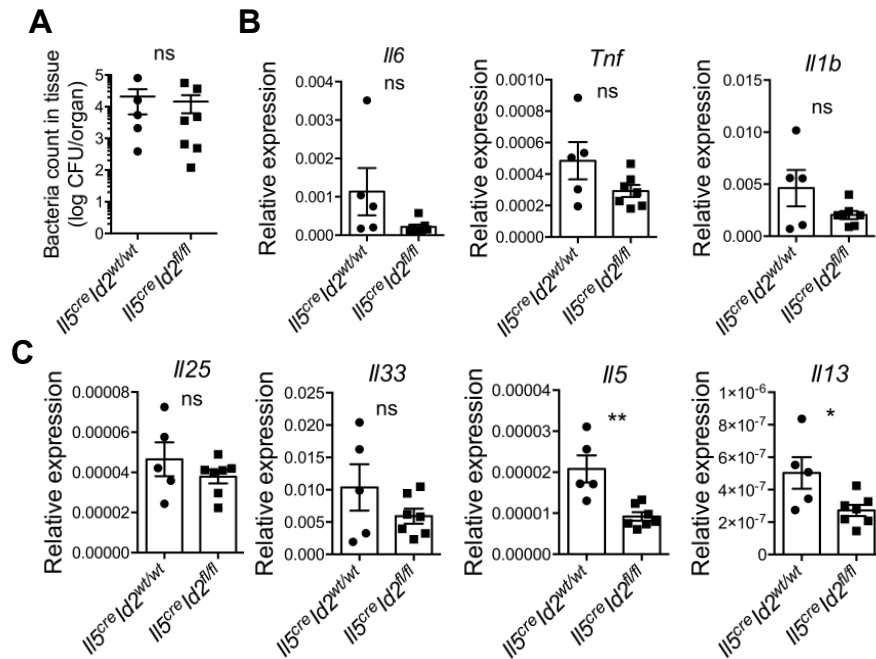


Figure S3. Bladder ILC2 is not required for the early elimination of UPEC.

8 weeks-old *I15^{tdtomato-cre}Id2^{wt/wt}* and *I15^{tdtomato-cre}Id2^{fl/fl}* female mice were transurethrally infected with 1×10^8 CFU of UPEC. The bladder tissues at 18h post treatment was isolated. A) The UPEC burdens in the whole bladder tissue are shown (n=5-7 mice). B) The mRNA expression of the indicated pro-inflammation cytokines in the infected bladder tissues are shown (n=5-7 mice). C) The mRNA expression of the indicated type 2 cytokines in the infected bladder tissues are shown (n=5-7 mice). Data are representative of three independent experiments. Error bars represent the mean \pm SEM. Unpaired two-tails student's *t*-test was used for statistical analysis, * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$; ns, no significant difference.

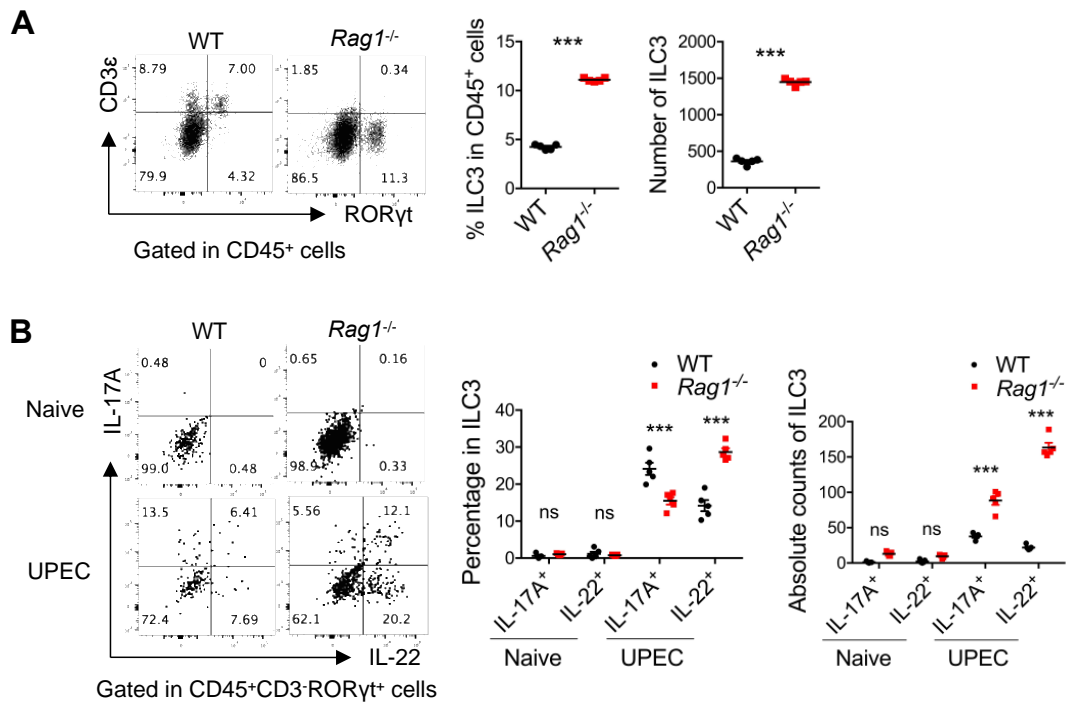


Figure S4. RAG-deficient mice exhibit increased ILC3 response in the bladder.

A) Representative plots, percentages and absolute numbers of ILC3 (CD45⁺CD3ε⁻RORγt⁺ cells) in the bladder of naïve WT and *Rag1*^{-/-} mice are shown (n=5 mice). B) 8 weeks-old WT and *Rag1*^{-/-} female mice were transurethrally infected with 1*10⁸ CFU of UPEC for 18 h. The naïve and UPEC-infected bladder tissues were digested and cells were treated with Brefeldin A (0.5μg/ml) for 3 h. IL-22 and IL-17A expression in the RORγt⁺ ILC3 were analyzed by intracellular cytokine staining. Representative plots, percentages and absolute numbers of these cytokines-producing cells are shown (n=5 mice). Data are representative of two independent experiments, and shown as mean ± SEM. Unpaired two-tails student's *t*-test (A) and Two-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni test (B) was conducted for statistical analysis. ***p<0.001; ns, no significant difference.

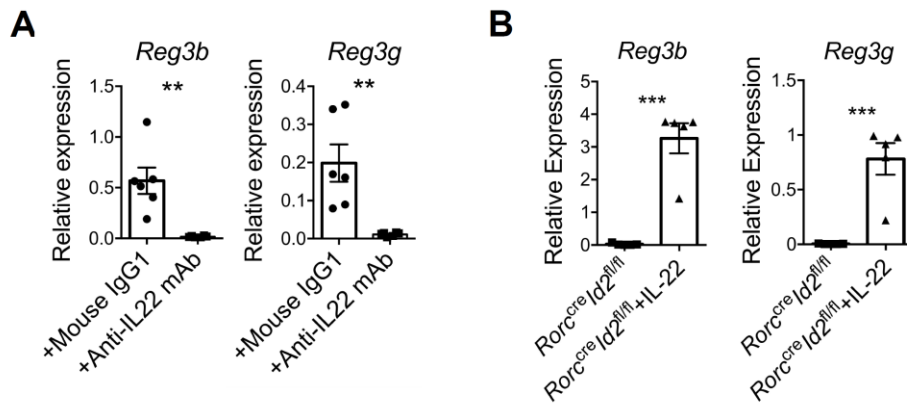


Figure S5. IL-22 blockade or supplementation effectively regulated the expression of antimicrobial peptides in the gut.

A) Related to Figure 7A, 8 weeks-old WT female mice were intraperitoneally injected with anti-IL-22 mAb or mouse IgG1 (200 μ g per mouse each time). The mRNA expression of *Reg3b* and *Reg3g* in the gut of these mice was detected (n=6 mice). B) Related to Figure 7B, 8 weeks-old *Rorc^{cre} Id2^{fl/fl}* female mice were intravenously injected with IL-22-Fc (500ng) or PBS. The mRNA expression of *Reg3b* and *Reg3g* in the gut of these mice was detected (n=5 mice). Data are representative of two independent experiments. Error bars represent the mean \pm SEM. Unpaired two-tails student's *t*-test (A) and One-way ANOVA test (B) was used for statistical analysis, **p<0.01, ***p<0.001.

Table S1. Antibodies used for flow cytometry.

Antibodies	Source	Identifier
FITC anti-mouse CD3 ϵ (Clone 145-2C11)	Biolegend	Cat# 100306; RRID: AB_312671
APC anti-mouse CD3 ϵ (Clone 500A2)	Biolegend	Cat# 152306; RRID: AB_2632669
Biotin anti-mouse CD3 ϵ (Clone 145-2C11)	Biolegend	Cat# 100304; RRID: AB_312669
Brilliant Violet 605 TM anti-mouse CD4 (Clone GK1.5)	Biolegend	Cat# 100451; RRID: AB_2564591
Biotin anti-mouse CD4 (Clone GK1.5)	Biolegend	Cat# 100404; RRID: AB_312689
Alexa Fluor [®] 700 anti-mouse CD8a (Clone 53-6.7)	Biolegend	Cat# 100730; RRID: AB_493703
Biotin anti-mouse CD8a (Clone 53-6.7)	Biolegend	Cat# 100704; RRID: AB_312743
Alexa Fluor [®] 700 anti-mouse CD45 (Clone 30-F11)	Biolegend	Cat# 103128; RRID: AB_493715
Alexa Fluor [®] 700 anti-mouse CD45.2 (Clone 104)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Cat# 56-0454-82; RRID: AB_657752
FITC anti-mouse CD90.2 (Clone 30-H12)	Biolegend	Cat# 105306; RRID: AB_313177
Brilliant Violet 510 TM anti-mouse CD90.2 (Clone 53-2.1)	Biolegend	Cat# 140319; RRID: AB_2561395
PE anti-mouse CD127 (Clone SB/199)	Biolegend	Cat# 121112; RRID: AB_493509
Brilliant Violet 421 TM anti-mouse CD127 (Clone A7R34)	Biolegend	Cat# 135027; RRID: AB_2563103
Brilliant Violet 605 TM anti-mouse Ly-6G (Clone 1A8)	Biolegend	Cat# 127639; RRID: AB_2565880
Alexa Fluor 700 anti-mouse Ly-6c Antibody (Clone HK1.4)	Biolegend	Cat# 128024; RRID: AB_10643270
Biotin anti-mouse Ly-6c/Ly-6c (Gr-1) (Clone RB6-8C5)	Biolegend	Cat# 108404; RRID: AB_313369
Biotin anti-mouse/human CD45R/B220 (Clone RA3-6B2)	Biolegend	Cat# 103204; RRID: AB_312989
PerCP/Cyanine5.5 anti-mouse NK-1.1 (Clone PK136)	Biolegend	Cat# 108728; RRID: AB_2132705
Biotin anti-mouse NK-1.1 (Clone PK136)	Biolegend	Cat# 108704; RRID: AB_313391
APC anti-mouse NKP46 Antibody (Clone 29A1.4)	Biolegend	Cat# 137608; RRID: AB_10612758

Biotin anti-mouse TCR β (Clone H57-597)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Cat# 13-5961-82; RRID: AB_466819
Biotin anti-mouse TCR $\gamma\delta$ (Clone GL3)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Cat# 13-5711-82; RRID: AB_466668
Biotin anti-mouse TER-119/Erythroid Cells (TER-119)	Biolegend	Cat# 116204; RRID: AB_313705
APC anti-mouse IL-33R α (IL1RL1, ST2) (Clone DIH9)	Biolegend	Cat# 145306; RRID: AB_2561917
APC anti-mouse CCR6 Antibody (Clone 29-2L17)	Biolegend	Cat# 129813; RRID: AB_1877148
Alexa Fluor 488 anti-mouse CCR7 Antibody (Clone 4B12)	Biolegend	Cat# 120110; RRID: AB_492841
PE anti-mouse CXCR6 Antibody (Clone K041E5)	Biolegend	Cat# 151104; RRID: AB_2566546
FITC anti-mouse CD25 Antibody (Clone 3C7)	Biolegend	Cat# 101908; RRID: AB_961212
eFluor 660 anti-mouse IL-25R Antibody (Clone MUNC33)	eBioscience	Cat# 50-7361-82; RRID: AB_2574289
APC/Cy7 anti-mouse Sca-1 Antibody (Clone D7)	Biolegend	Cat# 108126; RRID: AB_10645327
PerCP/Cy5.5 anti-mouse c-Kit Antibody (Clone 2B8)	Biolegend	Cat# 105824; RRID: AB_2131597
Pacific Blue anti-mouse I-A/I-E Antibody (Clone M5/114.15.2)	Biolegend	Cat# 107620; RRID: AB_493527
Biotin anti-mouse RANK Antibody (Clone R12-31)	Biolegend	Cat# 119803; RRID: AB_2205355
PerCP/Cy5.5 anti-mouse PD1 Antibody (Clone 29F.1A12)	Biolegend	Cat# 135208; RRID: AB_2159184
Biotin anti-mouse PD-L1 Antibody (Clone 10F.9G2)	Biolegend	Cat# 124306; RRID: AB_961220
APC anti-mouse Integrin $\alpha 4\beta 7$ Antibody (Clone DATK32)	Biolegend	Cat# 120608; RRID: AB_10730607
Alexa Fluor [®] 647 Mouse IgG2a, κ Isotype Ctrl (Clone MOPC-173)	Biolegend	Cat# 400240
Alexa Fluor [®] 488 Mouse IgG1, κ Isotype Ctrl (Clone MOPC-21)	Biolegend	Cat# 400134
PE anti-mouse/human GATA3 (Clone TWAJ)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Cat# 12-9966-42; RRID: AB_1963600
eFluor 660 anti-mouse/human GATA3 (Clone TWAJ)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Cat# 50-9966-42; RRID: AB_10596663
PerCP-eFluor 710 anti-mouse ROR γ t Antibody (Clone B2D)	eBioscience	Cat# 46-6981-82; RRID: AB_10717956

PE/Cy7 anti-mouse T-bet Antibody (Clone 4B10)	eBioscience	Cat# 25-5825-82; RRID: AB_11042699
Brilliant Violet 421™ anti-mouse/human IL-5 (Clone TRFK5)	Biolegend	Cat# 504311; RRID: AB_2563161
Alexa Fluor® 488 anti-mouse IL-13 (Clone eBio13A)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Cat# 53-7133-82; RRID: AB_2016708
PE anti-mouse IL-17A (Clone TC11-18H10.1)	Biolegend	Cat# 506904; RRID: AB_315464
FITC anti-mouse TNF α Antibody (Clone MP6-XT22)	Biolegend	Cat# 506304; RRID: AB_315425
eFluor 450 anti-mouse IFN γ Antibody (Clone XMG1.2)	eBioscience	Cat# 48-7311-82; RRID: AB_1834366
PerCP-eFluor 710 anti-mouse IL-22 Antibody (Clone IL22JOP)	eBioscience	Cat# 46-7222-82; RRID: AB_2573839
PE anti-mouse GM-CSF Antibody (Clone MP1-22E9)	BD	Cat# 554406

Table S2. Primer sequences used for real-time RT-PCR.

Gene	Forward primer	Reverse primer
<i>Actb</i>	AAGTGTGACGTTGACATCCG	GATCCACATCTGCTGGAAGG
<i>Ii1b</i>	GAAATGCCACCTTTTGACAGTG	TGGATGCTCTCATCAGGACAG
<i>Ii5</i>	CCCACGGACAGTTTGATTCT	GCAATGAGACGATGAGGCTT
<i>Ii6</i>	TAGTCCTTCCCTACCCCAATTTCC	TTGGTCCTTAGCCACTCCTTC
<i>Ii12p35</i>	CACCCTTGCCCTCCTAAACC	CACCTGGCAGGTCCAGAGA
<i>Ii13</i>	TCTGAAGGACTCTGGCTTTG	GATGGATGCTACCAAACCTGGA
<i>Ii18</i>	GACTCTTGCGTCAACTTCAAGG	CAGGCTGTCTTTTGTCAACGA
<i>Ii17a</i>	CTCCAGAAGGCCCTCAGACTAC	AGCTTTCCTCCGCATTGACACAG
<i>Ii22</i>	CATGCAGGAGGTGGTACCTT	CAGACGCAAGCATTCTCAG
<i>Ii23p19</i>	GGTGGCTCAGGGAAATGT	GACAGAGCAGGCAGGTACAG
<i>Ii25</i>	ACAGGGACTTGAATCGGGTC	TGGTAAAGTGGGACGGAGTTG
<i>Ii33</i>	CCTCCCTGAGTACATAACAATGACC	GTAGTAGCACCTGGTCTTGCTCTT
<i>Ifng</i>	GAGCTCATTGAATGCTTGGC	GCGTCATTGAATCACACCTG
<i>Tnfa</i>	CCCTCACACTCAGATCATCTTCT	GCTACGACGTGGGCTACAG
<i>Csf2</i>	GCAATTTACCAAACCTCAAGG	CTCATTACGCAGGCACAAAAG
<i>Cxcl1</i>	GCCAATGAGCTGCGCTGTCAGTGC	CTTGGGGACACCTTTTAGCATCTT
<i>Cxcl2</i>	CCAACCACCAGGCTACAGG	GCGTCACACTCAAGCTCTG
<i>Ccl2</i>	GTCCCTGTCATGCTTCTGG	GCGTAACTGCATCTGGCT