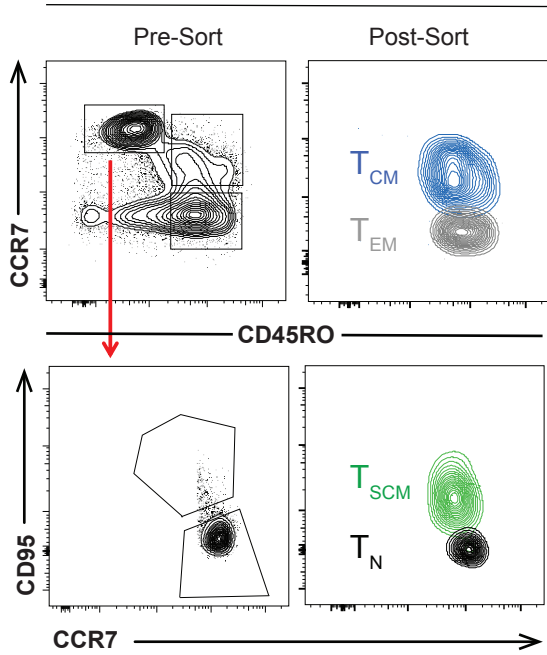
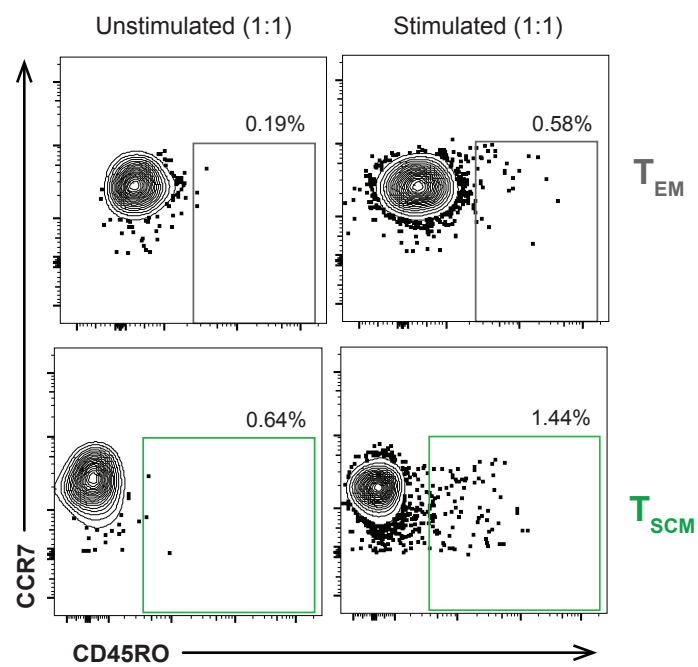


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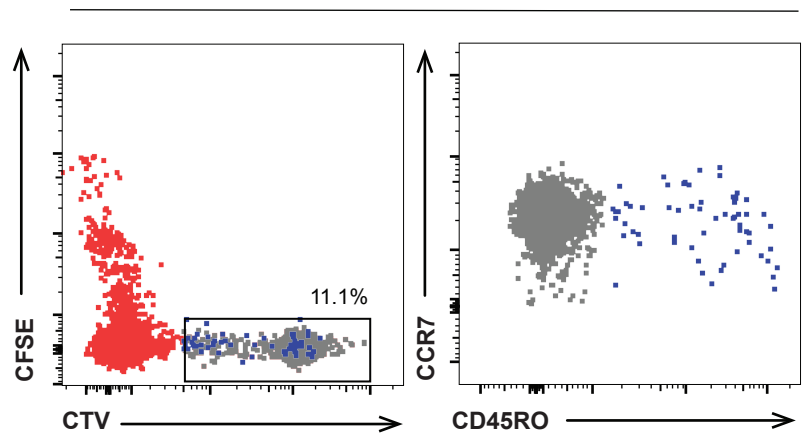
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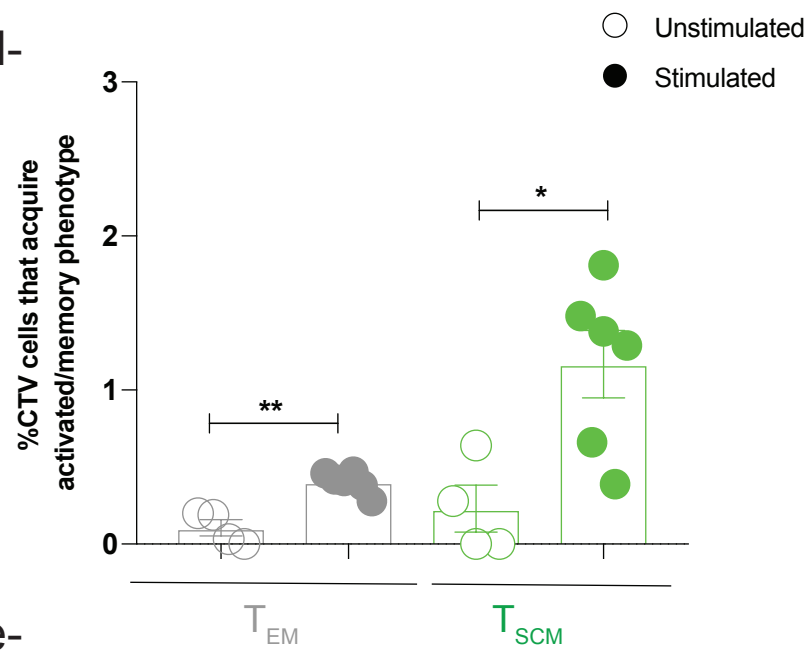
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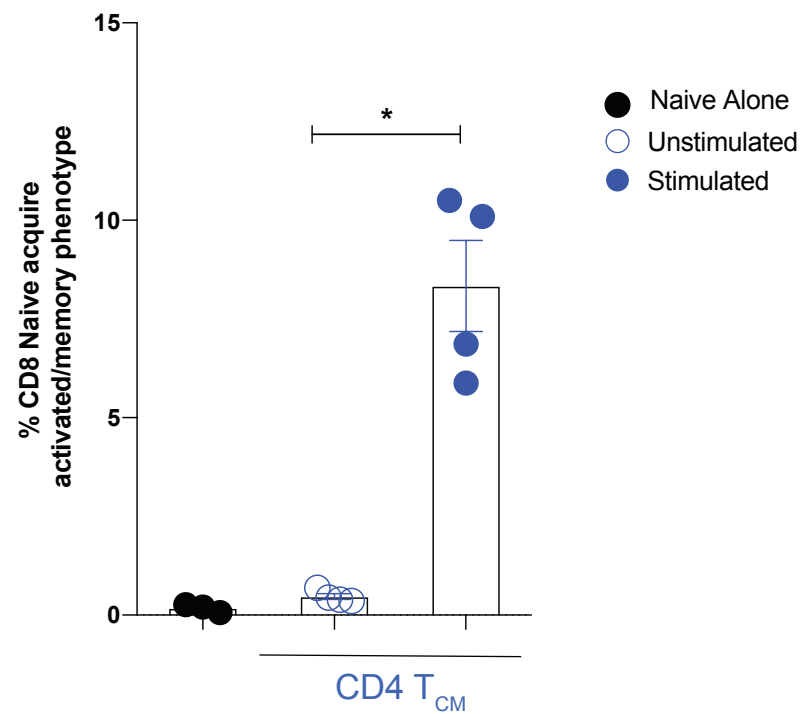
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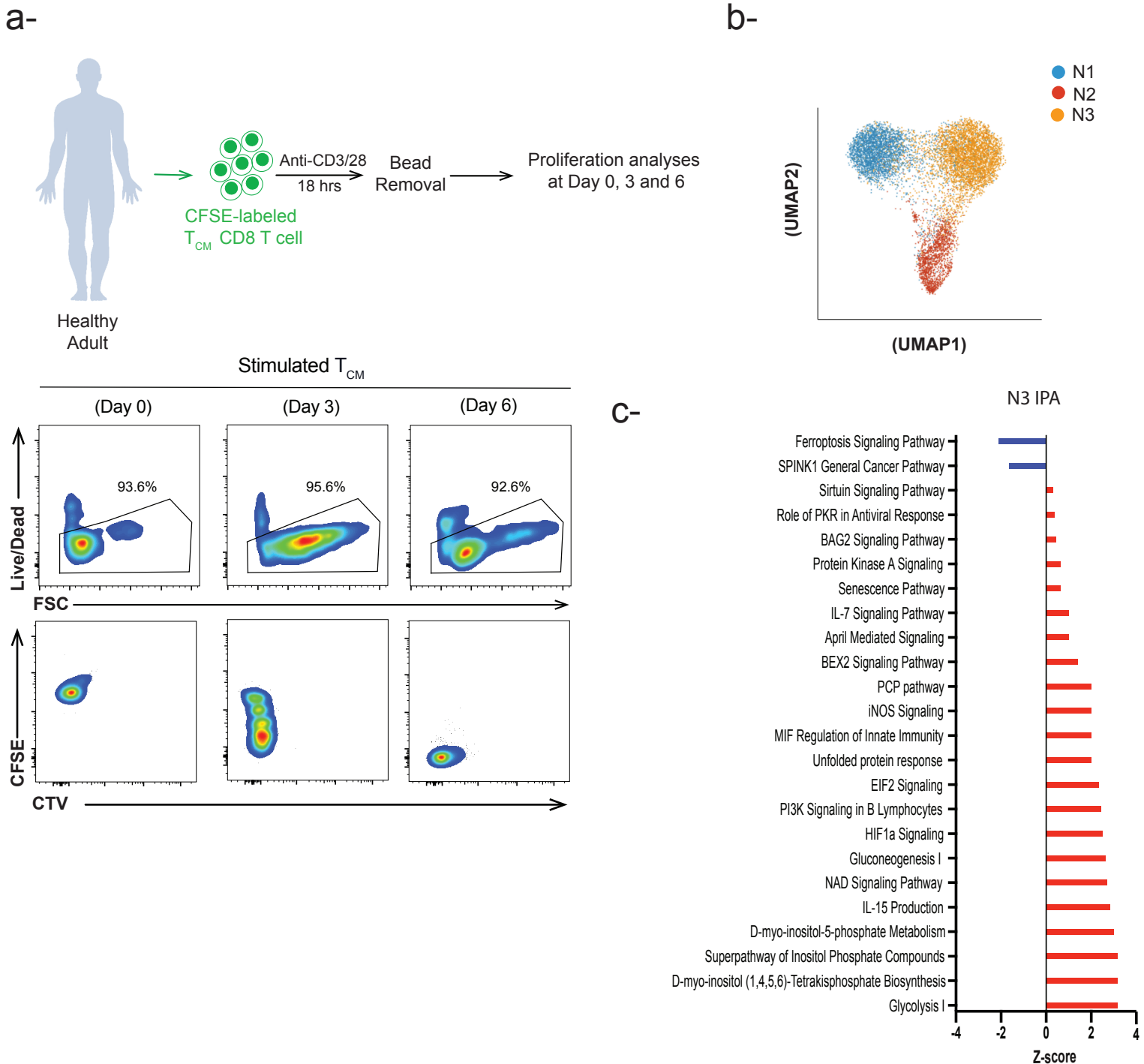
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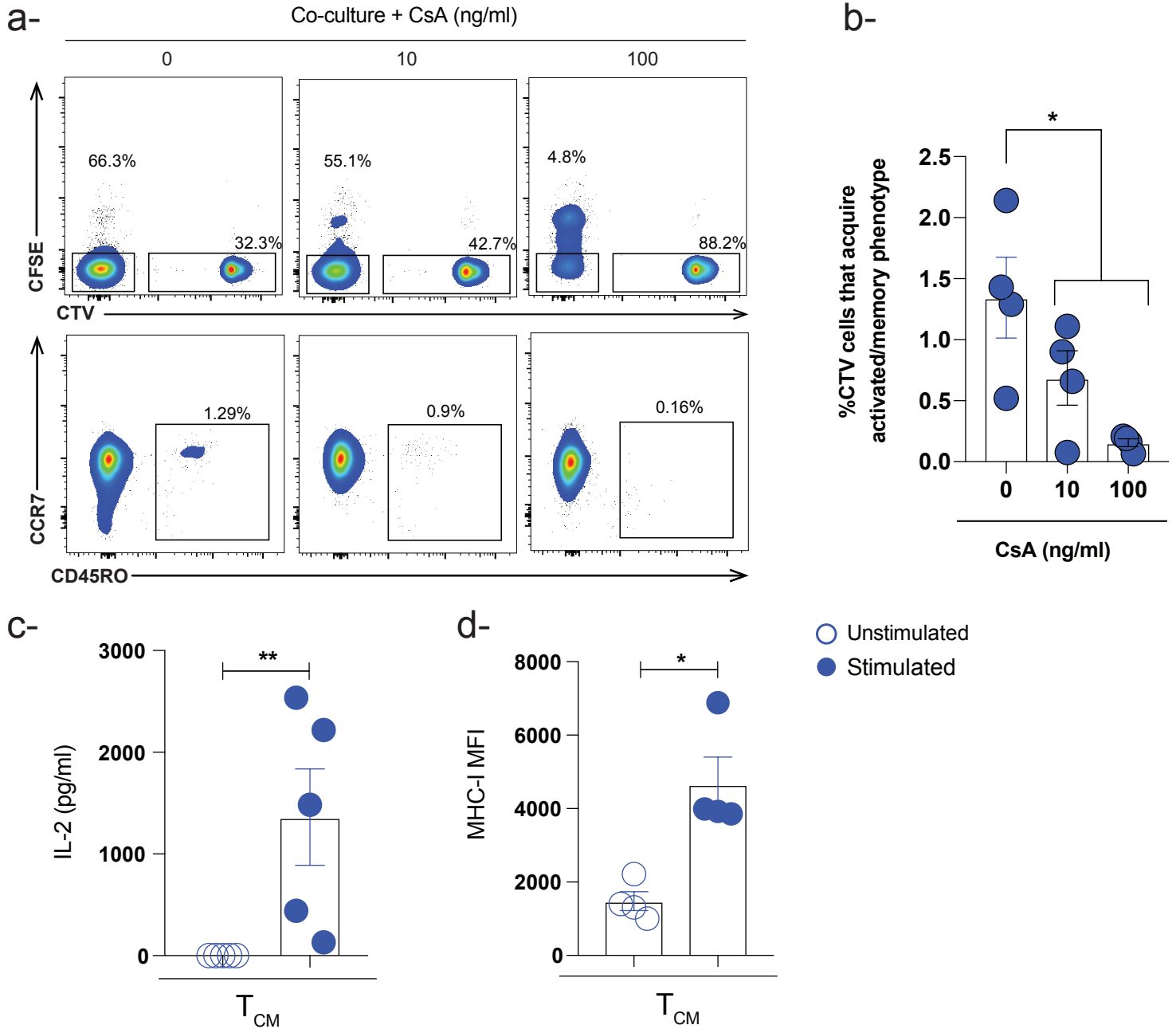
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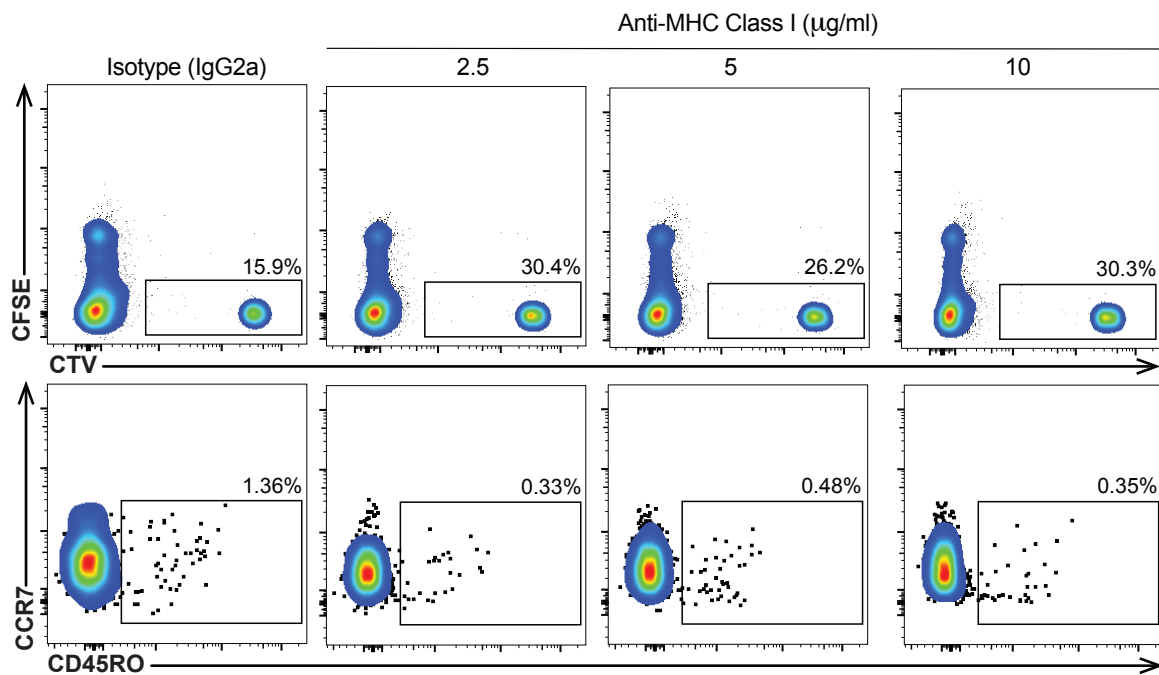
Supplementary Figure 1: a Representative contour flow plots showing flow cytometry-based strategy for isolation of naïve and memory CD8 T cell subsets from lymphocytes of healthy adults. The cell subsets were identified based on differential expression of three cell surface markers as follows: Naïve: CCR7⁺, CD45RO⁻, and CD95⁻; T_{EM}: CCR7⁻ and CD45RO⁺; T_{CM}: CCR7⁺, and CD45RO⁺; and T_{SCM}: CCR7⁺, CD45RO⁻, and CD95⁺. **b** Representative flow contour plot showing the distribution of T_N CD8 T cells with acquired activated/memory phenotype within the CTV^{+Int.} population. **c** Representative flow contour plots and **d** Bar-graph showing percent of CTV-labeled naïve CD8 T cells that acquire activated/memory phenotype based on CCR7 and CD45RO cell surface expression (n=4-6) in the presence of unstimulated or stimulated T_{EM} (grey box), or T_{SCM} (green box) CD8 T cells (memory: naïve - 1:1 ratio). **e** Bar-graph showing percent of naïve CD8 T cells that acquire activated/memory phenotype based on CCR7 and CD45RO cell surface expression in the presence (n=4) of unstimulated or stimulated T_{CM} CD4 T cells (blue box), at memory: naïve (1:1 ratio). Closed circles depict stimulation conditions while open circles depict unstimulated conditions **P*<0.05 ***P*<0.01 Unpaired non-parametric Mann-Whitney test was used. Data were presented as means +/- SEM.



Supplementary Figure 2: a *In vitro* schema and FACS-plots showing stimulation of sorted CFSE-labeled human T_{CM} CD8 T cell subset with anti-CD3/CD28 magnetic beads (1:1 ratio). After overnight stimulation, the beads were removed using a plate magnet followed by culturing activated T_{CM} CD8 T cell without further manipulation. Proliferation capacity was measured at Day 0, 3, 6 incubations. **b** UMAP analyses focusing on the top 2000 genes showing Blue neighborhood-N1, Red neighborhood-N2, and Orange neighborhood-N3. **c** Ingenuity pathway analyses (IPA) of the unique DEG list in N3 (Orange neighborhood) showing top pathways based on Z-score.



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Supplementary Figure 3: **a** Representative flow plots and **b** Bar-graph showing the effect of Cyclosporin A (CsA) on proliferation of T_{CM} CD8 T cells as well as naïve cells with activated/memory phenotype (n=4). **c** Bar-graph showing IL-2 concentrations in the supernatant of stimulated T_{CM} CD8 cells (7 days of following 18 hrs of beads stimulation) compared to unstimulated controls (n=5). **d** Bar-graph showing MFI of MHC-I in unstimulated and stimulated T_{CM} CD8 T cells following overnight beads removal (n=4). **e** Representative flow plots showing the effect of blocking MHC-I on acquisition of activated/memory phenotype by naïve CD8 T cells in the presence of activated T_{CM} CD8 T cells. * $P < 0.05$ ** $P < 0.01$ Unpaired non-parametric Mann-Whitney test was used (Panels c-d). Ordinary one-way ANOVA Bonferroni multiple comparison test was used * $P < 0.05$. Data were presented as means +/-SEM (Panel b).

	Gene ID	N2 vs N1		N3 Vs N1		N3 vs N2	
		P-value	Fold change	P-value	Fold change	P-value	Fold change
Effector cytokines, molecules, & TF	<i>GZMA</i>	0.00	17.98	0.70	1.15	0.00	-15.58
	<i>GZMB</i>	0.00	13.81	0.61	1.00	0.00	-13.78
	<i>GZMK</i>	0.00	13.02	0.55	1.33	0.00	-9.82
	<i>PRF1</i>	0.00	10.28	0.96	1.05	0.00	-9.82
	<i>IFNG</i>	0.00	6.33	0.74	1.13	0.00	-5.60
	<i>IL4</i>	0.00	3.03	0.56	-1.22	0.00	-3.70
	<i>TBX21</i>	0.00	7.48	0.69	1.19	0.00	-6.29
	<i>ID2</i>	0.00	4.42	0.81	1.14	0.00	-3.88
	<i>ZEB2</i>	0.00	6.56	0.58	1.28	0.00	-5.12
	<i>RUNX3</i>	0.00	4.06	0.00	2.01	0.00	-2.02
	<i>GATA3</i>	0.00	3.12	0.56	1.05	0.00	-2.98
	<i>EOMES</i>	0.00	2.65	0.24	-1.30	0.00	-3.44
	<i>HOPX</i>	0.00	9.19	0.89	1.13	0.00	-8.14
	<i>PRDM1</i>	0.00	5.69	0.46	1.29	0.00	-4.42
	<i>IRF4</i>	0.00	4.32	0.73	1.01	0.00	-4.29
	<i>TCF7</i>	0.00	-12.95	0.00	-1.81	0.00	7.17
	<i>LEF1</i>	0.00	-5.42	0.00	-1.07	0.00	5.08
<i>FOXP1</i>	0.00	-2.07	0.00	1.18	0.00	2.45	
Glycolysis	<i>HK2</i>	0.00	3.21	0.00	7.48	0.19	2.33
	<i>TPI1</i>	0.00	4.30	0.00	3.33	0.00	-1.29
	<i>LDHA</i>	0.00	4.15	0.00	4.55	0.01	1.10
	<i>ALDOA</i>	0.00	2.46	0.00	4.11	0.00	1.67
	<i>SLC2A3</i>	0.00	8.82	0.00	3.79	0.00	-2.33
Miscellaneous	<i>CD69</i>	5.59717E-319	4.94	0.00	2.41	0.00	-2.05
	<i>CD95</i>	0.00	6.03	0.34	1.21	0.00	-4.98
	<i>HNRNPLL</i>	0.00	3.01	0.04	-1.15	0.00	-3.47
	<i>LTB</i>	0.00	2.27	0.00	-1.22	0.00	-2.78
	<i>SLAMF7</i>	0.00	10.23	0.32	1.46	0.00	-6.99
	<i>PASK</i>	0.00	-5.74	0.00	-4.77	0.00	1.20
	<i>LRRN3</i>	0.00	-4.27	0.00	-5.64	0.00	-1.32
	<i>IL6R</i>	0.00	-5.68	0.00	-1.55	0.00	3.66
	<i>IL6ST</i>	0.00	-2.57	0.23	1.14	0.00	2.94
	<i>IL7R</i>	0.00	-5.56	0.00	-1.68	0.00	3.31
	<i>NOSIP</i>	0.00	-1.06	0.00	1.37	0.00	1.45
<i>NUR77</i>	0.00	3.12	0.09	1.58	0.00	-1.98	

Supplementary Table 1: Table showing fold change and P values for the gene list described in Figure 6d heat maps.