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Supplemental Information

Whole-genome CRISPR screening identifies genetic manipulations to

reduce immune rejection of stem cell-derived islets

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1 Total reads

2 3

Non-targeting control

Figure S1

Figure S1. Single cell transcriptional profile and whole genome CRISPR screen of SC-islet grafts in an *in vivo* **humanized model. Related to Figure 1.**

(A) Representative images of transplanted kidneys after 10 weeks with or without PBMC injection. Bar=2mm.

(B) Gating strategy used for flow cytometry of hPi/control mice blood to detect human T lymphocytes. %Human CD45+ are gated from mouse CD45 negative population. %CD4+ and %CD8+ are gated from hCD45+/hCD3+.

(C) Frequency of human T-lymphocytes in hPi mouse tissues, by flow cytometry.

(D) Frequency of SC-α (Glucagon+/C-peptide-) and SC-β (Glucagon-/C-peptide+) in recovered from SC-islet grafts, by flow cytometry.

(E) Flow cytometry of human T-lymphocytes in mice blood throughout the experiment, transplanted with library-transduced SC-islets (LT-SC-islets) ±PBMC injections (Control/hPi). %human CD45+ are gated from mouse CD45 negative population. %CD4+ and %CD8+ (only in hPi mice) are gated from hCD45+/hCD3+.

(F) Human Insulin detected by ELISA at the 10th week end point of the experiment, in non-fasted mice. Error bars are mean±SD. *p<0.05, **p<0.01, unpaired two-tailed t-test, LT SC-islets Tx+PBMCs (hPi) compared to the control.

(G) UMAP plots of human graft cells extracted from mice after 10 weeks with or without PBMC injection. Integration of n=6 mice per group. SC-endocrine cell clusters are indicated.

(H) Cluster identification (integration of n=12 mice) of specific SC-endocrine cells by gene markers (SC-β:*INS+GCG-*, SC-α: *INS-GCG+*, SC-EC: *TPH1*+).

(I) Cell counts of endocrine cell populations from scRNA-seq integrations.

(**J-L**) scRNA-seq analysis of SC-islet grafts. (**J**) Volcano plot of differential expressed genes in SC-EC in hPi vs. control grafts. **(K**) Differential expression of selected genes in SC-EC, presented as a heatmap. Each row specifies a z-score of the specified gene in all graft samples, in the indicated endocrine population. (**L**) Violin plots of selected genes, associated with the IFNγ response, expressed in SC-Endocrine cells.

(**M**) Total or control gRNA reads in CRISPR screen of mice replicates, compared between conditions (±PBMC; n=6 per condition). Box lines represent median values.

Cell numbers - scRNA-seq

F

G

H

SC-islet clusters + rhIFNg

C-peptide DAPI

E

D

 0.5 - 1.0 Figure S2

Figure S2. Early response of immune challenged SC-islets profiled by single cell transcription analysis after co-culture with human allogeneic PBMCs. Related to Figure 2.

(**A**) UMAP plots of PBMC+SC-islet co-cultured cells, immune/SC-islet cell clusters are indicated.

(**B**) Cluster identification (integration of all time points) of specific cells by gene markers.

(**C**) Cell counts of cell populations from scRNA-seq integrations. CC=co-culture.

(**D**) Dot plots representing expression of activation/inhibitory genes in specific immune populations, in response to timed SC-islet stimulation.

(**E**) Selected GSEA plots for interferon response and TF motifs, FDR values and normalized enrichment scores (NES) indicated.

(**F**) Violin plots of SC-β timed expression of selected genes.

(**G**) CXCL10 and phosphorylated STAT1 in SC-islet clusters 48hrs after treatment with 20ng/ml rhIFNγ. C-peptide staining for SC-β. Bars are 100μm in main panels and 20μm in magnified panels.

(**H**) IF staining of SC-islet clusters after 48hrs co-culture with PBMC. C-peptide staining (green) for SC-β and DAPI (blue) for nuclei. Bars are 100μm.

αCXCR3

SC islets

SC islets + αCXCR3

Figure S3

Figure S3. Immunogenicity of CXCL10 expressing SC-islets. Related to Figure 3.

(**A**) Flow cytometry analysis of protein expression of indicated perturbation in SC-islets or specifically in C-peptide+ SC-β 48hrs after rhIFNγ treatment. Where indicated CXCL10 secretion was measured by ELISA.

(**B**) Transduced SC-islets were co-cultured with Cell Trace Violet (CTV) labeled PBMC for 48hrs. PBMCs were then separated and allowed to grow in culture for an additional 7 days, followed by CD3 staining for flow cytometry. CD3+ were gated for the CTV negative fraction of divided cells. PBMCs treated with anti-CD3/CD28 activation beads served as positive control. n=12 for x5 PBMC donors (n=3 for controls).

C) ELISA for human CXCL10, from supernatant of co-culture of SC-islets transduced with NT/CXCL10 gRNA ±PBMCs, n=2-3 for x2 donors. Dashed line is the lower detection limit.

(**D**) Antibody treated (as indicated) SC-islets were co-cultured with PBMC for 48hrs. PBMCs were then separated and analyzed by flow cytometry for CD3+ T cell activation marker expression (CD25 or CD69). n=12 for x2 donors.

NT=Non-targeting, OE=overexpression. Error bars are mean±SD. ns=not significant, *p<0.05, **p<0.01, ***p<0.001, ****p<0.0001 unpaired two-tailed t-test.

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(Adjusted MFI)

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GL SC-islets ST1L SC-islets

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SC-islet *in vivo* **GSIS**

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Total SC-islets 200 % Apoptotic
(corrected from baseline) **(corrected from baseline)** ✱ ✱✱✱✱ **150** ✱ **% Apoptotic 100 50 0** +PBMCs +T-cells +NK cells

> WT SC-islets C10G SC-islets

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250 % Apoptotic
(corrected from baseline) **(corrected from baseline)** ✱✱✱✱ **200** ✱ **% Apoptotic 150 100** HE **50 0** +PBMCs +NK cells \bullet GL SC-islets ST1L SC-islets

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Figure S4

Figure S4. Generation and performance of *CXCL10* **KO and** *STAT1* **KO hESC lines. Related to Figure 4.**

(**A**) Clonal genotyping of endogenous or targeted allelles. Endogenous amplified PCR bands were isolated and sequenced for detection of indels, shown in dashed blue frames. Some lanes were cropped to show only relevant clones.

(**B**) Karyotyping analysis of G10G and ST1L hESC cell lines.

(**C**) Pluripotent marker expression by flow cytometry in all 4 lines: wild type (WT), C10G, GAPDHluc (GL) and ST1L.

(**D**) Flow cytometry analysis to assess %SC-β (%C-peptide+/NKX6.1+ or %C-peptide+/glucagon) in C10G and ST1L hESC at stage 6 of the β-cell differentiation protocol.

(**E**) %SC-β in multiple batches of C10G and ST1L differentiations compared to control WT and GL lines. n=2-3 differentiations.

(**F)** SC-islet GSIS function assay of different lines, 12-15 weeks after transplantation into NSGmice. Results presented as stimulation ratios of blood human insulin (ELISA) before and 30 min after glucose injection (2g/kg).

(**G**) Flow cytometry was used to assess %TUNEL+ SC-islets. Apoptosis was calculated by fraction from baseline (%TUNEL without PBMC). Left) WT or C10G SC-β cells (n=4 for x6 PBMC donors, n=2-3 x2 T-cell donors, n=4 x2 NK cell donors); Right) GL vs. ST1L SC-β cells (n=4 for x2 PBMC or NK cell donors).

(**H,I**) GM SC-islets were co-cultured with PBMC for 48hrs. PBMCs were then separated and analyzed by flow cytometry for CD3+ T cell activation marker expression (CD25 or CD69). (**H**) n=9 for x3 PBMC donors (**I**) n=9 for x2 PBMC donors

Error bars are mean±SD. ns=not significant, *p<0.05, **p<0.01, ****p<0.0001 unpaired two-tailed t-test.

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Time (weeks) post PBMC injection

Figure S5

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Time (weeks) post PBMC injection

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Time (weeks) post PBMC injection

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Figure S5. *CXCL10* **KO SC-islet transplantation in humanized mice. Related to Figure 5.**

(**A**) Graft failure continuously monitored over time after PBMC injections, as measured by human insulin (ELISA) in fasted mice plasma, 30 min after glucose injection to fasted mice. Data presented as fold increase from t=0 before PBMC injections.

(**B**) Flow cytometry of human T-lymphocytes in mice blood throughout the experiment, transplanted WT/C10G SC-islets +PBMC injections. %human CD45+ are gated from mouse CD45 negative population. %CD4+ and %CD8+ (only in hPi mice) are gated from hCD45+/hCD3+.

Error bars are mean±SD. ns=not significant, *p<0.05, **p<0.01, unpaired two-tailed t-test.

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES

Table S2 - Reactome pathway analysis of upregulated genes in a given cell population. Related to results presented in Figures 1 and 2.

Table S3 – Gene Ontology (GO) terms of biological processes of upregulated genes in a given cell population. Related to results presented in Figures 1 and 2.

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KEY RESOURCES TABLE

CONTACT FOR REAGENT AND RESOURCE SHARING

Further information and requests for resources and reagents should be directed to and will be fulfilled by the Lead Contact, Douglas A. Melton (dmelton@harvard.edu).

EXPERIMENTAL MODEL AND SUBJECT DETAILS

All procedures were performed in accordance with the Institutional Review Board (IRB) guidelines at Harvard University under IRB and Embryonic Stem Cell Research Oversight Committee (ESCRO) Protocols E00024. All animal experiments were performed in accordance with Harvard University International Animal Care and Use Committee regulations.

METHOD DETAILS

hESC cell culture and differentiation

Human embryonic stem-cell (hESC) Hues8 maintenance and differentiation was carried out as previously described (Pagliuca et al., 2014). Induced pluripotent stem-cell lines were obtained from stocks maintained by the Melton laboratory. hESC line was maintained in cluster suspension culture format using mTeSR-1 (Stem Cell Technologies, 85850) in 500-ml spinner flasks (Corning, VWR) spinning at 70 r.p.m. in an incubator at 37 °C, 5% CO2 and 100% humidity. Cells were passaged every 72h or 96h: induced human pluripotent stem-cell clusters were dissociated to single cells using gentle cell dissociation reagent (Stem Cell Technologies; 07174) and light mechanical disruption, counted and seeded at 0.6 M cells/ml in mTeSR-1 + 10 μM Y27632 (ROCK inhibitor). Cell lines were authenticated by DNA fingerprinting, karyotyping (Cell Line Genetics) and all lines tested negative on routine mycoplasma contamination verifications. Differentiation flasks were started 72 h after passaging, by replacing mTeSR-1 medium with the appropriate differentiation medium including growth factors and small molecule supplements as previously described (Veres et al., 2019):

SC-β cells protocol

Stage 1: 24 hours in S1 medium supplemented with Activin A (100ng/ml), CHIR99021 (1.4μg/ml) and Rock Inhibitor (10μM), followed by 48 hours Activin A (100ng/ml) only.

Stage 2: 72 hours in S2 medium supplemented with KGF (50ng/ml) and Rock Inhibitor (10μM).

Stage 3: 48 hours in S3 medium supplemented with KGF (50ng/ml), LDN193189 (200nM), Sant1 (0.25μM), retinoic acid (2μM), PBDU (500nM) and Rock Inhibitor (10μM).

Stage 4: 5 days in S3 medium supplemented with KGF (50ng/ml), Sant1 (0.25μM), retinoic acid (0.1μM) and Rock Inhibitor (10μM).

Stage 5: 7 days in BE5 medium supplemented with Betacellulin (20ng/ml), XXI (1μM), Alk5i-II (10 μ M) and T3 (1 μ M). Sant1 (0.25 μ M) was added in the first three days, and retinoic acid was added at 0.1μM in the first three days, then at 0.025μM.

Stage 6: 14-21 days in S3 medium, changed every 48 hours.

During feeds, the differentiating clusters were allowed to gravity-settle for 5–10 min, medium was aspirated, and 300 ml of pre-warmed medium was added. All experiments involving human cells were approved by the Harvard University IRB and ESCRO committees.

Cell transplantation

Pre-surgery animals were housed in groups within sterile cages with unrestricted access to food and water. Ambient temperature was maintained between 18 and 25 °C, humidity 30−70% with 12 h light/dark cycles. All animal research was conducted under Harvard IACUC approval. Transplantation of cell clusters was performed as previously described (Pagliuca et al., 2014). Briefly, 5M cells were injected under the kidney capsule of male NSG-(Kb Db)^{null} (IA^{null}) (DKO) (Jackson Labs; 025216) >8 wk old mice. Post-surgery, mice were single housed and monitored for up to 18 weeks after transplantation. For allograft rejections assays, 50M of human primary peripheral mononuclear cells (PBMCs) were injected intraperitoneally.

Kidney grafts were harvested, processed for sequencing or stained as described below.

For *in vivo* glucose stimulated insulin secretion (GSIS) and graft function monitoring, Human insulin and C-peptide were quantified from mouse blood plasma collected from the facial vein at fasted (overnight for 16h) and 30 min post-injection of glucose at 2g/kg bodyweight.

Secretion assays

Mouse plasma was used to measure human insulin or human C-peptide by ELISA (ALPCO Diagnostics, 80-INSHUU-E10 and 80-CPTHU-E10 respectively) as described in the manufacturer's protocol. Supernatant from treated cell cultures was used to measure human CXCL10 by ELISA (BioLegend, 439904) as described in the manufacturer's protocol.

Flow cytometry (FC)

All stained cells were analyzed using the Attune NxT (Thermo Fischer) flow cytometer. Data analysis was performed with FlowJo (BD) software. For IFN induced protein detection, SC-islets were treated with 20ng/ml recombinant human (rh)IFNγ, 48hr prior to FC staining. For intracellular staining (ICS) of CXCL10, SC-islets were also treated with 2μM monensin for 6hrs (BioLegend, #420701) to block secretion.

Intracellular staining

Differentiated SC-islet clusters, sampled from suspension cultures (1–2 ml), were dissociated using TrypLE Express (Gibco, 12604013) at 37 °C, mechanically disrupted to form single cells, fixed using 1% paraformaldehyde (PFA) overnight and stored at 4 °C. For staining, fixed single cells were incubated in Perm/Wash Buffer (BD Biosciences, 554723) for 30 min at room temperature, then incubated in Perm/Wash Buffer with primary antibodies (1 h at room temperature), washed three times with Perm/Wash Buffer, incubated with secondary antibodies in Perm/Wash Buffer (1 h at room temperature), washed three times and resuspended in Perm/Wash Buffer.

Surface marker staining

PBS containing 4% Fetal Bovine Serum (FBS) was used as blocking and staining buffer. Immune cells or other dissociated single cells were washed and blocked with blocking buffer for 30 min at 4 °C, then incubated in blocking buffer with conjugated antibodies (1h at at 4 °C), washed three times with blocking buffer, fixed using 1% PFA overnight and stored at 4 °C.

Human lymphocyte staining from mouse whole blood

PBS containing 2% FBS was used as blocking and staining buffer. Cell suspensions from whole blood were washed with blocking buffer and preincubated with Mouse BD Fc Block™ (anti CD16/CD32 Ab, BD Biosciences). Cells were then incubated in blocking buffer with conjugated antibodies (1h at at 4 °C), washed with blocking buffer and fixed with BD FACS lysing solution (BD Biosciences) to lyse red blood cells. For analysis of human immune cells murine cells were identified and excluded by staining with antimurine CD45 Ab. %CD4+ and %CD8+ were gated from hCD45+/hCD3+

Immunofluorescence Microscopy

Differentiated clusters or tissues were fixed in 4% PFA for overnight at 4 °C, transferred to 30% sucrose overnight, frozen in OCT (Tissue-Tek) and cryostat sectioned. For staining, slides were incubated in CAS block (ThermoFisher, 008120) with primary antibody overnight at 4 °C, washed three times, incubated in secondary antibody for 2 h at room temperature, washed, mounted in ProLong Diamond Antifade Mountant with DAPI, covered with coverslips and sealed with clear nail polish. Representative regions were imaged using Zeiss.Z2 with Apotome microscope.

Magnetic enrichment using CD49a

Stage 6 SC-islet clusters were dissociated using TrypLE Express for 20 min at 37°C. Cells were then quenched with S3 + 10% FBS and spun down. Remaining undissociated cell clusters were mechanically dissociated using a P1000 pipette. The dissociated single cells were resuspended in sorting buffer (PBS + 1% BSA + 2 mM EDTA) and filtered through a 37-μm mesh filter. Cells were counted and resuspended at a density of 10 million cells per 300 μL in 15 mL conical tubes. Cells were stained at room temperature for 20 min using a 1:100 dilution of anti-human CD49a PE-conjugated (BD Biosciences) antibody, covered from light and agitated every 3 minutes. Stained cells were washed twice with 15 mL of sorting buffer by spinning down (5 min, 300 g) and resuspended to their initial density of 10 million cells per 300 μl. To label with microbeads, 40 μL of anti-PE UltraPure MACS microbreads (Miltenyi 130-105-639) were added for each 10 million cells, and the cell solution was incubated for 15 min at 4°C, agitated every 5 min. The stained cells were washed twice as above and resuspended to a target density of 25–30 million cells per 500 μl. Volumes of 500 μL (containing no more than 30 million cells) were then magnetically separated on LS columns (Miltenyi 130-042-401) in a QuadroMACS separator (Miltenyi 130-090-976) using the recommended protocol. Successful PE enrichment was verified by live-cell flow cytometry on an Attune NxT (Invitrogen) flow cytometer.

Human primary immune cell isolation and co-culture assays

We obtained healthy donors' blood derived apheresis collars from Brigham and Woman's Hospital. Human PBMCs were isolated using the density gradient medium, Ficoll-Paque Plus (GE health care life sciences, 17144002) and the SepMate tubes (Stem Cell Technologies, 85450); T cells and NK cells were isolated using RosetteSep Human T Cell Isolation Kit (Stem Cell Technologies, 15061 and 15065, respectively). PBMCs or isolated cells were cultured in T-cell media: X-VIVO 10 (Lonza, 04-380Q) media supplemented with 5% Human AB Serum (Valley Biomedical, HP1022HI), 5% Fetal Bovine Serum (ThermoFisher Scientific, A3840101), 1% Penicillin/Streptomycin (ThermoFisher Scientific, 15070063), GlutaMAX (ThermoFisher Scientific, 35050061), MEM Non-Essential Amino Acids (ThermoFisher Scientific, 11140050).

For co-culture assays, SC-islets were used as target cells. SC-islet clusters were dissociated using TrypLE Express (Gibco, 12604013) at 37 °C, mechanically disrupted to form single cells, ten thousand cells were plated per well on 96-well V-shaped bottom plates and allowed to reaggregate for 48hrs in S3 media. SC-islets were then treated with antibodies (as described) and/or thapsigargin, 5uM (Sigma Aldrich, T9033) for 5 hours before the co-culture assay. Cells were washed to remove residual thapsigargin and Immune cells (PBMCs/T-cells/NK), pre-labeled with Cell Trace Violet (CTV; ThermoFischer Scientific, C34571) were added at a ratio of 5:1 (immune;target cells) in T-cell media.

T cell activation and proliferation assays

After a 48 hours co-culture, the PBMCs/T-cell cell fraction was removed from top cell suspension (SC-islet cluster settle in the bottom). A portion of the cells were taken for flow cytometry staining for CD3+ T cells and activation markers CD69 and CD25. Results are presented as Medial Fluorescent Intensity (MFI), adjusted to baseline MFI of T-cells in an unstimulated PBMC control. The other portion was seeded on 96-well low adherence round bottom plates and allowed to expand for 7-days in T-cell media containing 20 U/ml rhIL-2. Cells were taken for flow cytometry staining and analysis of CD3+ T cells gated cells, while the frequency of CTV negative cells served as a marker for proliferated cells. PBMCs/T cells activated with Dynabeads Human T-Activator CD3/CD28 beads (ThermoFisher Scientific, 111.61) for 48 hours were used as positive control for both assays.

NK cell activation/degranulation assays

During co-culture of SC-islets and NK cells, a CD107a antibody was added to bind internalizing degranulation marker CD107a. After a 48 hours co-culture, the NK cell fraction was removed from top cell suspension and taken for flow cytometry staining and analysis of CD56+CD107a+ cells.

SC-islet and SC-β apoptosis assays

After a 48 hours co-culture, the SC-islet clusters were dissociated using TrypLE Express at 37 °C, to form single cells, fixed O.N. with 1% formaldehyde (CytoFix; Fisher Scientific, BDB554655) and then stained for flow cytometry using C-peptide antibody and terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase dUTP nick end labeling (TUNEL) for apoptosis with the In Situ Cell Death Detection Kit (Roche Diagnostics, 12156792910). Percent apoptosis was calculated relative to baseline TUNEL staining of SC-islets with no PBMCs.

Tissue/cell preparation and library preparation for single cell RNA sequencing

For graft extraction, mice were euthanized, and the transplanted kidney was removed. SC-islets graft was peeled off the kidney, was sliced into small pieces and digested in 2mg/mL collagenase D (Sigma, 11088858001) in RPMI (GIBCO, 11875-085) for 45 min in 37 °C. Additional breaking was used by pipetting and by filtering through a 40μm cell strainer. Cells were then centrifuged and resuspended in 0.5% BSA in PBS and a magnetic mouse depletion kit (Miltenyi, 130-104-694) was used to remove residual mouse cells.

For co-cultured experiment, cells were collected from 96 wells after 48hrs of co-cultured and SC-islets dissociated using TrypLE Express at 37 °C, to form single cells and quenched with S3 media.

Harvested cells from both sources were centrifuged, resuspended in 0.04% BSA in PBS, counted (LUNA-FX7 Automated Cell Counter), adjusted to 1000 cells/μl and sent to the Harvard University Bauer Sequencing Core for 10X Chromium Single Cell 3' Library preparation and sequencing.

All samples were loaded into Chip G per the user guide from 10x Genomics, no alterations were made at any step of the protocol (Part No. CG000315). GEMs were formed targeting 10,000 cells and reverse transcription completed immediately after. The cDNA was cleaned from the GEM reagents, amplified for a total of 11 cycles and verified via TapeStation (Agilent Technologies). Amplified cDNA was diluted and ran on the 4200 TapeStation instrument using High Sensitivity D5000 tape and reagents (Part No. 5067- 5592 & 5067-5593). The amplified cDNA was fragmented, end repaired, and A-tailed followed by adaptor ligation, and PCR amplification for a total of 12 cycles with each sample receiving a unique set of dual indices (Part No. 1000215). Final libraries were diluted and ran using the High Sensitivity D5000 tape and reagents (Part No. 5067-5592 & 5067-5593) on the 4200 TapeStation (Agilent Technologies). Libraries were quantified via Kapa qPCR using the Complete Universal Kit (Part No. 07960140001, Roche Sequencing Solutions) and the CFX96 Touch Real-Time PCR Detection System (Bio-Rad Laboratories). Libraries were sequenced on an Illumina NovaSeq instrument using the parameters outlined in the user guide (Read1: 28 bp, i7 index: 10 bp, i5 index: 10 bp, Read2: 90 bp).

In vivo **single cell RNA sequencing analysis**

Raw sequencing files were processed using Cell ranger 5.0.0 (10X Genomics). Illumina basecall files were converted to fastq format. Samples were aligned to the GRCh38 genome using STAR aligner (Dobin et al., 2013). Graft samples were also aligned to a GRCh38/mm10 hybrid genome to obtain the human/mouse percentage for each cell. Cells with less than a 50% of aligned reads mapping to the human reference, were discarded.

Processed scRNASeq data was analyzed in R version 4.0.3 using the Seurat suite version 4.0.6 (Hao et al., 2021). Count matrices were loaded into a Seurat object filtering out genes detected in less than 3 cells and cells with less than 200 genes. Quality control filtering was adjusted for each sample as indicated in **Supplementary File 2**. A total of 35,647 cells from 14 samples passed these quality control steps (**Supplementary File 2)**. Data normalization and scaling were performed using Seurat's SCTransform function adding the mitochondrial percentage as an additional regressed variable.

Samples were integrated in two ways. Grafts injected with PBMCs (hPi) and graft samples without injection (control) were integrated to assess the graft component. hPi samples and control PBMC samples were integrated to explore differences in the immune component. In both cases, samples were integrated following the default integration quidelines for SCT transformed datasets from https://satijalab.org/seurat/articles/integration_introduction.html, with 3000 variable features.

To explore transcriptional heterogeneity and to perform initial cell clustering, principal component analysis and nonlinear dimensional reduction using Uniform Manifold Approximation and Projection (UMAP) (McInnes et al., 2018) were applied using 40

dimensions and resolution 1.0 for the integrated hPi and control samples, and 30 dimensions and 0.8 resolution for the integrated hPi and PBMCs. Cell types were assigned to clusters using known marker genes.

Differential expression at the gene level between sample types was performed with DESeq2 1.30.1 (Love et al., 2014) (https://bioconductor.org/packages/DESeq2/) using a pseudobulk approach where counts are aggregated for each cluster at the sample level.

Seurat's plotting functions were used to obtain violin plots. Tidyverse packages (Hadley Wickham (2017). tidyverse: Easily Install and Load the 'Tidyverse'. R package version 1.2.1. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=tidyverse) were used for data processing.

The distribution of the SC alpha, SC beta and SC EC clusters were further analyzed. By selecting the cells from these clusters and reclustering them. Principal component analysis and nonlinear dimensional reduction using UMAP (McInnes et al., 2018) were applied using 10 dimensions and resolution 0.1.

In vitro **single cell RNA sequencing analysis**

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Processed scRNASeq data was analyzed in R version 4.0.3 using the Seurat suite version 4.0.6 (Hao et al., 2021). Count matrices were loaded into a Seurat object filtering out genes detected in less than 3 cells and cells with less than 200 genes. During quality additional filtering was used. Cells with less than 1000 genes, less than 3000 UMIs or with a higher mitochondrial percentage than 15%, were discarded. A total of 42,922 cells from 8 samples passed these quality control steps . Data normalization and scaling were performed using Seurat's SCTransform function adding the mitochondrial percentage as an additional regressed variable. All samples were integrated using Harmony (Korsunsky et al., 2019) regressing the time point variable.

To explore transcriptional heterogeneity and perform initial cell clustering, principal component analysis and nonlinear dimensional reduction using UMAP (McInnes et al., 2018) were applied using 20 dimensions and resolution 0.3. Cell types were assigned to clusters using known marker genes. An evaluation of the UMAP plots showed that 61 cells had been overcorrected (i.e: endocrine cells in the PBMCs only samples or vice versa) during the integration and were removed from the analysis.

For differential expression and dot plot generation, data was also processed using Scanpy (version 1.8.1) (Wolf et al., 2018) to annotate the cell types. Cell ranger output was filtered to retain cells with no more than 15% MT transcripts and 4000 highly variable genes were identified using the highly variable genes function with the Seurat v3 option.

Cell types were assigned to clusters using known marker genes. Results of identified cell types were then visualized using dotplot plotting functions.

Using the annotations, differential expression was measured using fold change between treatment conditions and the Mann-Whitney hypothesis test p-values after correction for multiple comparisons using the FDR procedure implemented in the multipletests function from the statsmodels library.

Lentivirus Preparation and Transduction

Lentiviral particles were produced by transfecting 293T cells (Takara Bio) with the packaging vectors pHDM-vsvg, pHDM-tat, pHDM-rev, and pHDM-gag/pol along with lentiviral backbone vectors using the TransIT-293 transfection reagent (Mirus). Lentiviral particles were collected 48 h and 72 h post transfection and concentrated using the PEG-IT virus precipitation reagent (Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA) overnight at 4 °C followed by centrifugation at 1500 g for 30 min at 4 °C and stored at −80 °C.

The lentiviral vector lentiCRISPRv2 [a gift from Feng Zhang (Addgene plasmid # 52961 ; http://n2t.net/addgene:52961; RRID:Addgene 52961 (Sanjana et al., 2014)] was used to clone guide RNAs (gRNA sequences described in Key resource table; custom clone service from GensScript). For overexpression, lentiviral vectors containing open reading frame (ORF) sequences of eGFP, *CD274*, *CXCL10* and *SOCS1*, cloned into pLX_307, were obtained from the Broad institute inventory.

For transduction, cell clusters collected from spinner flask suspension cultures were dissociated in TrypLE Express (Life Technologies) for 7 min, followed by mechanical dissociation and centrifugation at 300 g for 5 min at room temperature (RT). Cell pellets were resuspended at a density of 2.5 million cells/mL in the stage-matched medium with polybrene reagent (Santa Cruz) at 10 μg/mL. Single-cell suspensions were combined with concentrated lentiviral particles and allowed to reaggregate in spinner flasks, in a humid 37 °C incubator and 5% CO2.

Whole genome CRISPR screen in vivo and analysis

Brunello pooled library pooled plasmid DNA in a 1 vector system (lentiCRISPRv2 backbone; Addgene # 73179) was obtained from the Broad institute Genetic Perturbation Platform (GPP), to generate pooled lentivirus. Lentivirus and SC-islet transduction was as described above. To determine a titer that will lead to a multiplicity of infection (MOI) that is less than 1, SC-islets were seeded in 6 well plates and treated with different virus volumes per cell number. After 2-3 days transduced SC-islets were treated with puromycin (9μg/ml) and cell counts were taken after 4 days to evaluate cell death ratios compared to a control well with no selection.

Library transduced (LT) SC-islets were transplanted under the kidney capsule of NSG-MHC^{null} nice and PBMCs were injected at week 4 after transplantation. Full experiment layout is described in the results section and in Figure 1**.** Retrieved graft tissue were homogenized (Polytron PT 1200E, KINEMATICA) and a Quick-DNA™ Midiprep Plus Kit (Zymo Research, D4075) was used to extract genomic DNA (gDNA). gDNA was submitted to GPP for PCR amplification of the integrated construct containing a barcode sequence, and Illumina sequencing to determine the abundance of each gRNA in each sample. Sequencing resulted in 132,183,231 matching reads which consists of a 82% of total reads. PoolQ v3 software was used to deconvolute sequencing files and quantitate gRNA barcodes counts in each sample [\(https://portals.broadinstitute.org/gpp/public/software/poolq\)](https://portals.broadinstitute.org/gpp/public/software/poolq).

To identify genes that may influence graft depletion, we estimate the gene by environment interactions of KO allele targets and PBMC graft environments (hPi), which can be interpreted as a difference in PBMC depletion between the KO and WT alleles. A separate model is fit for each of the target genes using observed sequenced read counts as the outcome and all available data across mouse and guide replicates. Read counts are modeled as negative binomial, with additive random effects for targeting guide and mouse, and fixed effects representing the graft allele and condition. The full model is given by:

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log(counts) ~ 1+KO+PBMC+KO*PBMC+(1|Mouse)+(1|Guide)
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Significance of the KO*PBMC interaction is evaluated using a likelihood ratio test comparing with a reduced model that only includes the additive effects. All of the models are fit using the glmer.nb function from the lme4 R package. To correct for multiple comparisons, p-values are adjusted using the Benjamini-Hochberg FDR procedure, implemented in the R function p.adjust with option 'fdr'. A filter was applied to remove any gene hits that were not expressed in at least 10% of either SC-α or SC-β cells in at least one experimental condition across *in vivo* and *in vitro* scRNA-seq experiments (Figures 1 and 2). To visualize the results from a subset of selected CRISPR targets, we produced boxplots of the full model predictions for each allele and treatment combination.

Generation of hESC knockout lines

Gene modified (GM) lines were generated by homology directed repair (HDR), via nucleofection of a Cas9/sgRNA ribonucleoprotein complex (RNP) and a targeting vector. The targeting vector (OriGene) was designed to facilitate the in-frame integration of GFP or luciferase cassettes with puromycin resistance into exon 2 or exon 3 of the CXCL10 or STAT1 loci, respectively (**Figures 4A and 4B**). Culture and expansion were performed on Matrigel® (Corning) coated plates with mTeSR™ Plus media (Stem Cell Technologies). Cells were clump passaged every 72h or 96h. For nucleofection Hues8 monolayers were dissociated into single cells with Accutase (Stem Cell Technologies), and $1x10^6$ cells were nucleofected using the 4D-Nucleofector (Lonza) with 5 µg targeting plasmid and RNP (120 pmol targeting sgRNA and 104 pmol Alt-R Cas9 (IDT), according to the manufacturer's instructions. Nucleofected cells were then plated in a matrigelcoated tissue culture plate containing mTeSR™ Plus, cloneR (Stem Cell Technologies) and 7.5 μM RS-1 (Xcessbio). After 48h, puromycin (0.5μg/ml) was added and surviving colonies were transferred to 96-well plates for PCR and expansion. Genomic DNA was

extracted and purified using Quick-DNA™ (Zymo Research), and target cassette knockin was confirmed by PCR analysis (**Figure S4A**) using Phusion® Hot Start Flex 2x master mix and primer sets (see key resource table) that amplify the wild type and targeted genomic alleles (blue and red arrows, respectively in **Figure 4A and 4B**). Several heterozygous clones were acquired from each knockout, and we selected a CXCL10- GFP (C10G) clone and a STAT1-luciferase (ST1L) clone that contained the integrated transgene in one allele along with a nonhomologous end-joining (NHEJ) mutation in the intact endogenous allele, determined by PCR and Sanger (GENEWIZ) sequencing (**Figure S4A**). Overall, C10G and ST1L contained null mutations in both allelles.

QUANTIFICATION AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Statistical analysis was performed by unpaired Student's *t*-tests as indicated, using the Prism v9. All data are presented mean \pm SD. p<0.05 was considered statistically significant. Sufficient sample size was estimated without the use of a power calculation. Data analysis was not blinded.

GRAPHIC ILLUSTRATIONS

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DATA AVAILABILITY

scRNA-seq and pooled CRISPR screen data generated during this study are available at NCBI GEO accession number GSE200104, and composed of listed SubSeries related to specific experiments described in this paper.

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