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Anti-mouse CD4	BioXCell	GK1.5	BE0003-1
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Anti-mouse DKK3	Proteintech	N/A	10365-1-AP
APC Anti-mouse CD4	BD Biosciences	RM4.5	553051
PerCP-Cyanine5.5 Anti-mouse CD4	eBioscience	RM4.5	45-0042-82
PE Anti-mouse CD8	eBioscience	53-6.7	12-0081-82
PE-Cyanine7 Anti-mouse CD25	eBioscience	PC61.5	25-0251-82
eFluor™ 450 Anti-mouse CD44	eBioscience	IM7	48-0441-82
APC-eFluor™ 780 Anti-mouse CD62L	eBioscience	MEL-14	47-0621-82
PE Anti-mouse IFN-γ	Biolegend	XMG1.2	505808
Alexa Fluor® 700 Anti-mouse IFN-γ	BD Biosciences	XMG1.2	557998
PE Anti-mouse IL-4	Biolegend	11B11	504104
PE Anti-mouse IL-17A	BD Biosciences	TC11-18H10	559502
FITC Anti-mouse Foxp3	eBioscience	FJK-16s	11-5773-82
APC Anti-mouse B220	BD Biosciences	RA3-6B2	553092
Alexa Fluor® 700 Anti-mouse TCRβ	BD Biosciences	H57-597	560705
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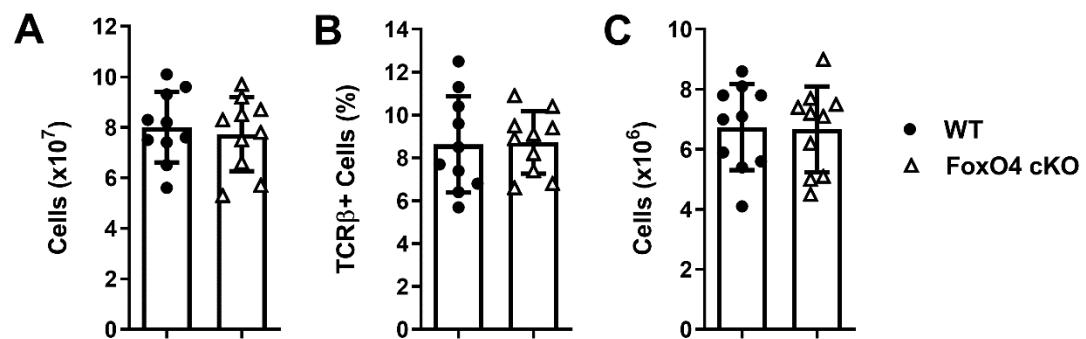
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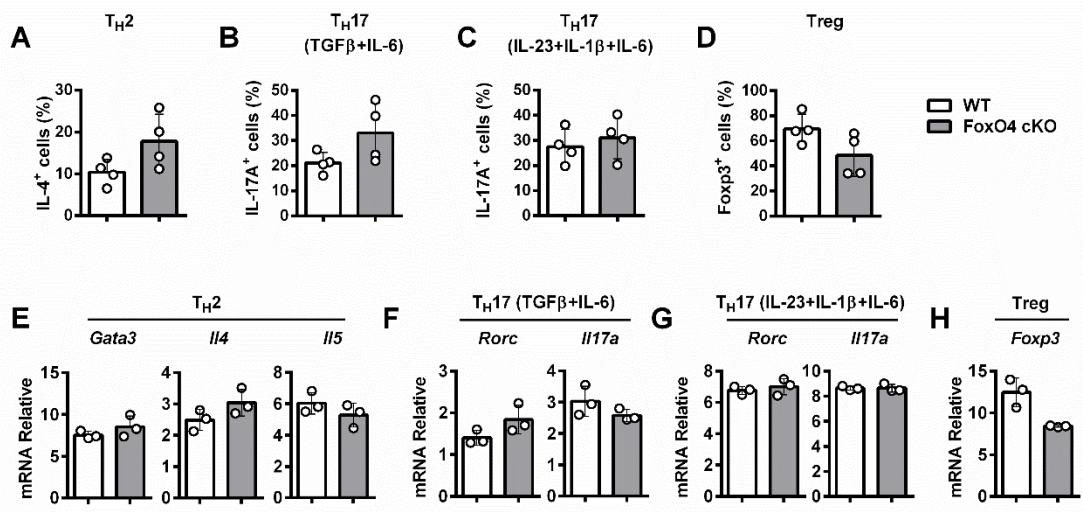
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<i>Runx3</i>	CAGGTTCAACGACCTTCGATT	GTGGTAGGTAGCCACTTGGG
<i>Gata3</i>	AGGGACATCCTGCGCGAAGTGT	CATCTCCGGTTCGGGTCTGG
<i>I14</i>	AGATCATCGGCATTTGAACG	TTTGGCACATCCATCTCCG
<i>I15</i>	CGCTCACCGAGCTCTGTTG	CCAATGCATAGCTGGTGATTTT
<i>Rorc</i>	GACCCACACCTCACAAATTGA	AGTAGGCCACATTACACTGCT
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<i>Foxp3</i>	CCCATCCCCAGGAGTCTTG	ACCATGACTAGGGCACTGTA
<i>I13</i>	GGGATACCCACCGTTAACCA	AGGTTTACTCTCCGAAAGCTCT
<i>Dkk3</i>	CTCGGGGGTATTTGCTGTGT	TCCTCCTGAGGGTAGTTGAGA
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<i>Csf2</i>	GGCCTTGGAAAGCATGTAGAGG	GGAGAACTCGTTAGAGACGACTT
<i>Csf3</i>	ATGGCTCAACTTCTGCCAG	CTGACAGTGACCAGGGGAAC
<i>Bcl6</i>	CCGGCACGCTAGTGATGTT	TGTCTTATGGCTCTAAACTGCT
<i>Ccr6</i>	CCTGGGCAACATTATGGTGGT	CAGAACGGTAGGGTGAGGACA
<i>I23r</i>	TTCAGATGGGCATGAATGTTCT	CCAAATCCGAGCTGTTGTTCTAT
<i>Tcf4</i>	CGAAAAGTCCCTCCGGGTTG	CGTAGCCGGCTGATTGAT
<i>Tcf7</i>	AGCTTCTCCACTCTACGAACA	AATCCAGAGAGATCGGGGGTC
<i>Lef1</i>	TGTTTATCCCATCACGGGTGG	CATGGAAGTGTCCGCTGACAG

<i>Myc</i>	ATGCCCTCAACGTGAACCTTC	CGCAACATAGGATGGAGAGCA
<i>H19</i>	GCATGGCCTCAAATTCTGCA	GCATCTGAACGCCCAATTA
<i>IfngCNS1</i>	CACTTCTGTGCAACCCTTGA	AAGCACTCACTGGTCATTG
<i>IfngCNS2</i>	AACTGGAAAATGGCAGGCTA	CCCGAGATAAATTCCATCCA
<i>IfngCNS22</i>	ATGACAAAATGCAGGGCTTC	CCCACACTAGATGATATATGATTTCC
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<i>IfngPromoter</i>	CCCCACCTATCTGTCAACCAT	CACCTCTCTGGCTTCCAGTT
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<i>EomesFBS2</i>	AAGATCAAGGTCTGGAACCCG	GTGGGGAGTGTAAACAAGCCG
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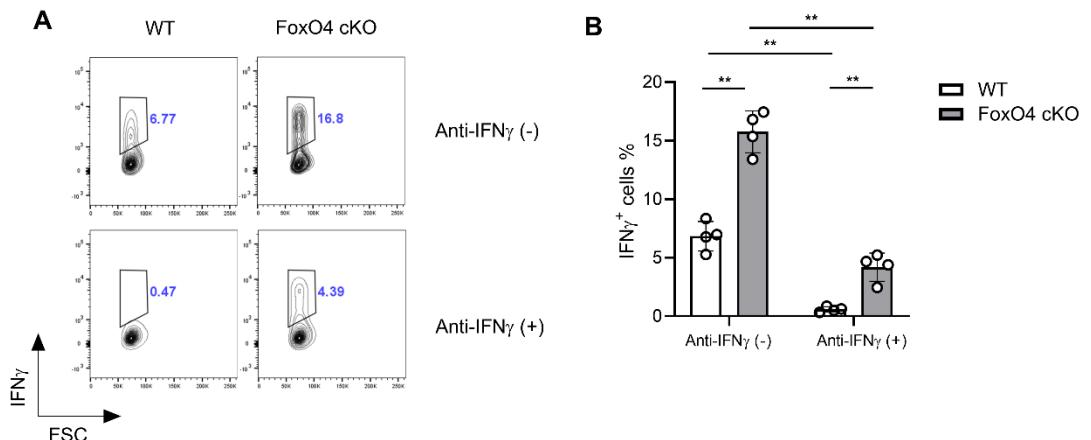
## Supplemental Figures



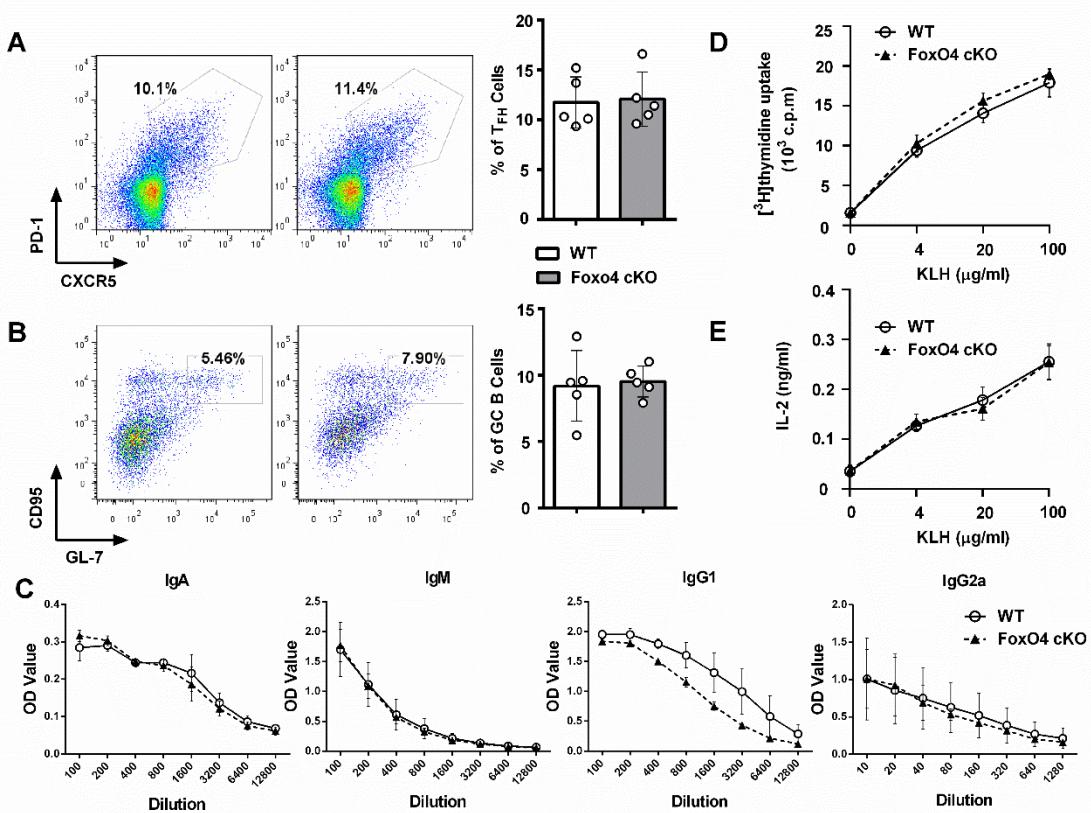
**Supplemental Figure 1. Numbers of mature T lymphocytes in thymus are normal in *FoxO4* cKO mice.** (A) Absolute thymocyte numbers in WT and *FoxO4* cKO mice ( $n=10$ ). (B) and (C) Percentages (B) and absolute cell numbers (C) of TCR $\beta^+$  T lymphocytes in thymus in WT and *FoxO4* cKO mice ( $n=10$ ). Each symbol (A-C) represents an individual mouse. ns=not statistically significant, unpaired Student's *t*-test. Data are one representative of three independent experiments with similar results (means and SD in A-C).



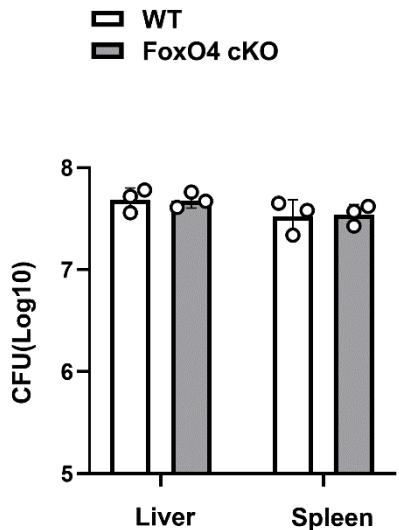
**Supplemental Figure 2. FoxO4 does not affect differentiation of  $\text{Th}_2$ ,  $\text{Th}_{17}$ , and iTReg subsets.** (A-D) Percentage of IL-4 (A), IL-17A (B and C), Foxp3 (D) expressing WT and *FoxO4* cKO CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells, which were differentiated from naïve T cells in various polarizing conditions for 3 days (n=4). (E-H) Real-time qPCR analysis of signature genes of  $\text{Th}_2$  (E),  $\text{Th}_{17}$  (induced by  $\text{TGF}\beta/\text{IL-6}$ , F),  $\text{Th}_{17}$  (induced by  $\text{IL-23}/\text{IL-1}\beta/\text{IL-6}$ , G) and iTReg (H) from WT and *FoxO4* cKO mice, by stimulating naïve CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells for 3 days with plate-bound anti-CD3 and anti-CD28 in various polarizing conditions, and assessing after re-stimulation by plate-bound anti-CD3 for 5 hours (n=3). Results were presented relative to the expression *Gapdh* mRNA. ns=not statistically significant, unpaired Student's *t*-test. Data are one representative of two independent experiments with similar results (means and SD in A-H).



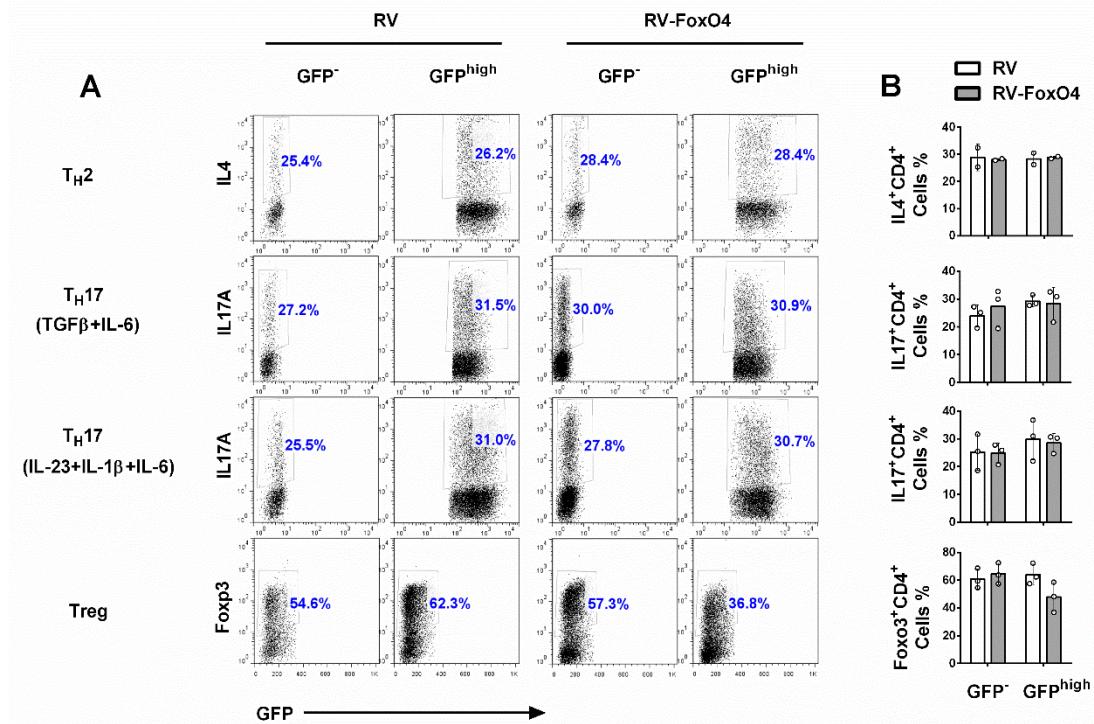
**Supplemental Figure 3. FoxO4 negatively regulates IFN- $\gamma$  expression in T<sub>H</sub>1 polarizing condition with or without anti-IFN- $\gamma$ .** (A) Flow cytometry of WT and FoxO4 cKO Naïve CD4+ T cells after 2 days of polarization toward the T<sub>H</sub>1 lineage, with or without anti-IFN- $\gamma$  (n=4). (B) Frequencies of IFN- $\gamma$ -expressing cells as in (A) (n=4). \*\*P<0.01; \*\*\*P<0.001, by two-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple-comparison test (B). Data are one representative of two independent experiments (means and SD in B).



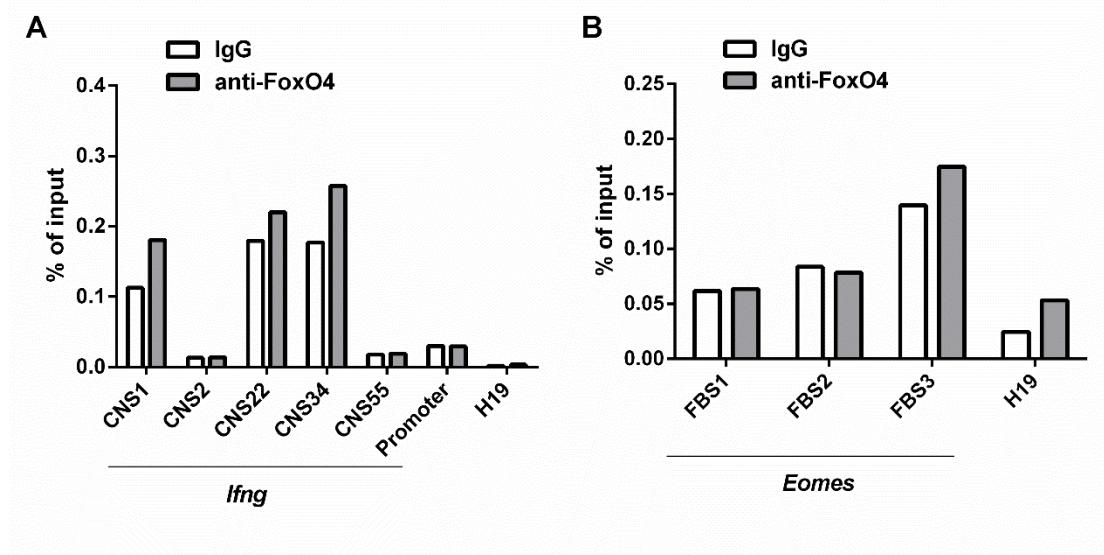
**Supplemental Figure 4. *FoxO4* cKO mice have normal germinal center responses and antigen specific Ig production.** (A and B) Flow cytometry analysis (left) and quantification (right) of T<sub>FH</sub> cells (left in A, PD-1<sup>+</sup>CXCR5<sup>+</sup>, gating on CD4<sup>+</sup>CD44<sup>hi</sup>) and germinal center B cells (left in B, GL-7<sup>+</sup>CD95<sup>+</sup>, gating on B220<sup>+</sup>) in dLNs from WT and *FoxO4* cKO mice which received subcutaneous KLH/CFA immunization for 7 days (n=5). (C) ELISA analysis was performed to determine the concentrations of KLH specific IgA, IgM, IgG1 and IgG2a in serum from WT and *FoxO4* cKO mice which were immunized as in A and B. Cells from draining lymph nodes were isolated 7 days later and restimulated with KLH (n=5). Proliferation was measured by [<sup>3</sup>H] thymidine incorporation assay (D) and IL-2 expression was determined by ELISA (E) (n=5). ns=not statistically significant, unpaired Student's *t*-test. Data are one representative of three independent experiments with similar results (means and SD in A-E).



**Supplemental Figure 5. FoxO4 deficiency in CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells provides protection from listeria infection.** Infected mice were treated with anti-CD4 antibody (GK1.5, BioXcell) intraperitoneally at day -1 and +1 respective to challenge listeria infection. Livers and spleens were harvested at day 4 post infection for enumeration of bacterial burdens (n=3). ns=not statistically significant, unpaired Student's *t*-test. Data are one representative of two independent experiments with similar results (means and SD).

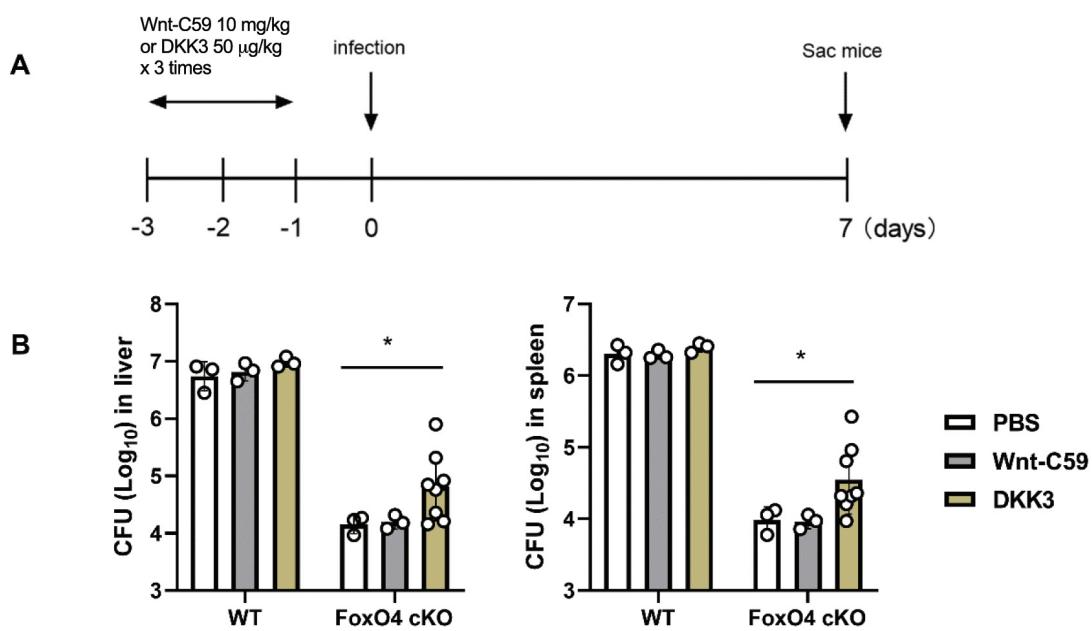


**Supplemental Figure 6. Ectopic expression of FoxO4 doesn't affect differentiation of Th2, Th17, and iTreg subsets.** (A) Flow cytometry of various polarized CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells, which were transduced with empty vector (RV) or vector encoding FoxO4 (RV-FoxO4). Data were analyzed in GFP<sup>-</sup> and GFP<sup>high</sup> populations, respectively (n=3). (B) Frequency of specific marker-expressing cells as in A (n=3). ns=not statistically significant, unpaired Student's *t*-test. Data are one representative of three independent experiments with similar results (means and SD in B).



**Supplemental Figure 7. FoxO4 doesn't bind to *Ifng* and *Eomes* gene loci. (A and B)**

Chromatin immunoprecipitation analysis of FoxO4 binding to *Ifng* (A) and *Eomes* (B) gene loci in purified CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells stimulated for 24 hours with plate-bound anti-CD3. Results were expressed as percentage of input. Data are one representative of two independent experiments with similar results.



**Supplemental Figure 8. FoxO4-DKK3 axis functions in anti-listeria immunity.** (A) Schematic of animal experimental setup. (B) *L. monocytogenes* titers in the spleens and livers of WT and *FoxO4* cKO mice infected with Lm-OVA for 7 days, with treatment of PBS, Wnt-C59 and DKK3, respectively, showed as CFUs (n=3-8). \*P<0.05, by two-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple-comparison test. Data are one representative of two independent experiments with similar results (means and SD in B).

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