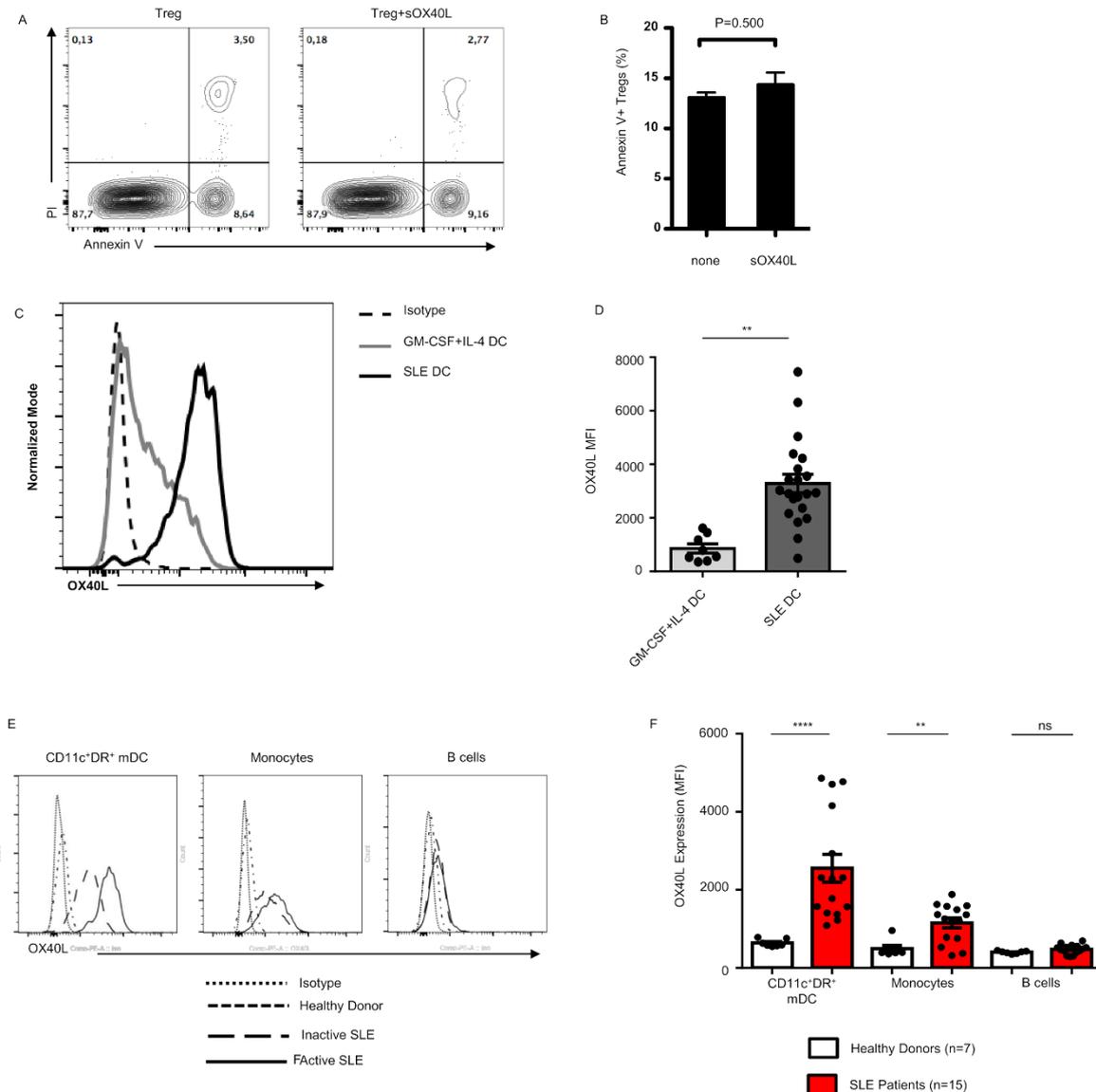


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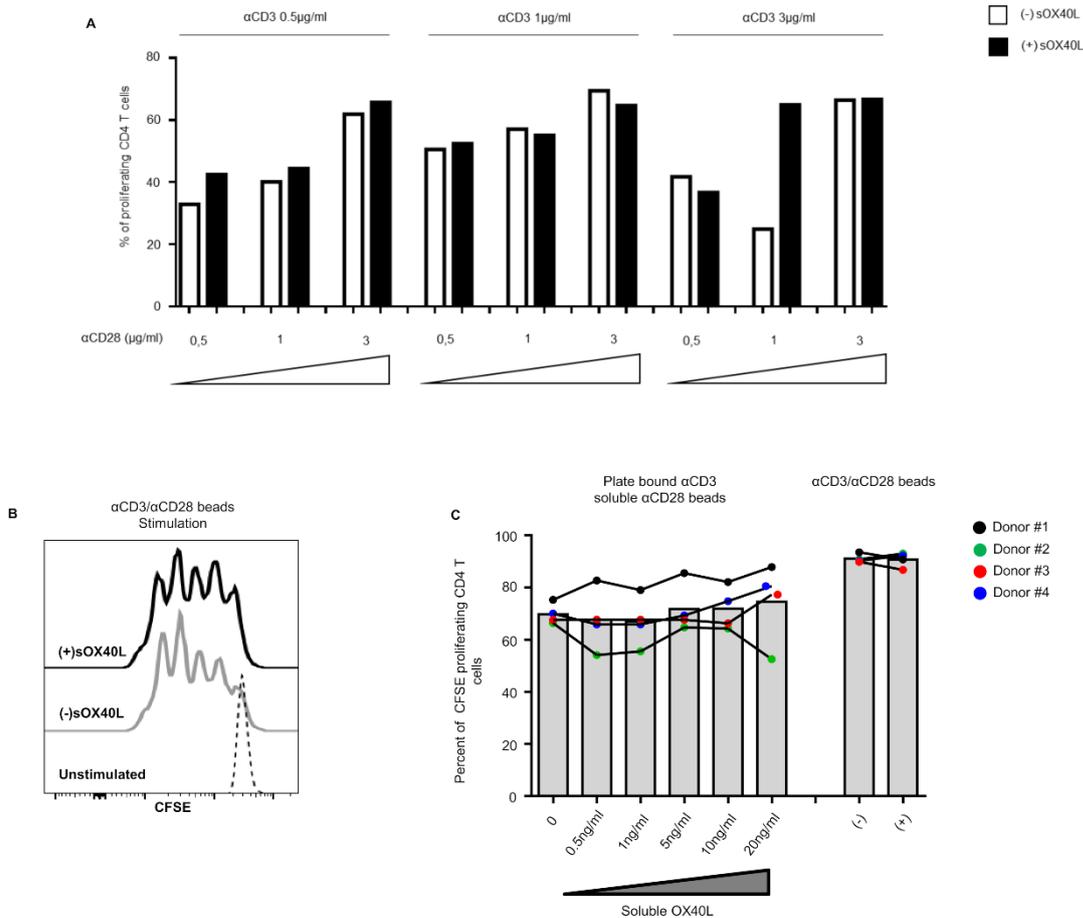
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766 **Figure S1: Recombinant sOX40L does not induce Treg cell death and Purified CD14+**
 767 **monocytes cultured in the presence of SLE sera (SLE-DC) or ex-vivo SLE-mDC expressed**
 768 **OX40L.**

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770 (A-B), Sorted CD4⁺CD25⁺CD127⁻ Tregs cells were cultured with or without sOX40L (100 ng/mL) and
 771 Annexin-V/PI staining was performed after 3 days of culture for the assessment of cell death. (A),
 772 Representative dot plot of Treg Annexin-V/PI staining after 3 days of culture. Annexin-V⁺/PI⁺ cells were
 773 considered as dead cells. (B), Cumulative data showing the percentage of dead cells after 3 days of
 774 Tregs culture. Statistical analyses were conducted using the two-tailed Mann-Whitney U-test. (C-D),
 775 Purified CD14⁺ monocytes from healthy donors were cultured with GM-CSF+IL-4 or SLE Sera (SLE-
 776 DC) for 4 days. OX40L expression was assessed by flow cytometry. (C) Representative staining for
 777 OX40L expression. (D). Cumulative results for OX40L-expression (as expressed by MFI) in both
 778 conditions. GM-CSF+IL-4 DC (n=8), SLE-DC (n=21). Cumulative data are shown with S.E.M and P
 779 value < 0.01 (**). (E-F) Ex-vivo OX40L expression level was assessed within circulating APCs such as
 780 CD11c⁺DR⁺ mDC, CD14⁺ monocytes and CD19⁺ B lymphocytes cells. 7 healthy donors and 15 SLE
 781 patients (including 9 active (SLEDAI ≥ 6 and 7 quiescent (SLEDAI < 6) SLE) APCs were analyzed by
 782 flow cytometry. The figure shows a representative staining and cumulative data represented as mean
 783 with S.E.M. Data are compared using non parametric Mann-Whitney test. ** P<0.01, ****P<0.001.

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Figure S2: Effect of sOX40L on effector CD4 T cells proliferation alone

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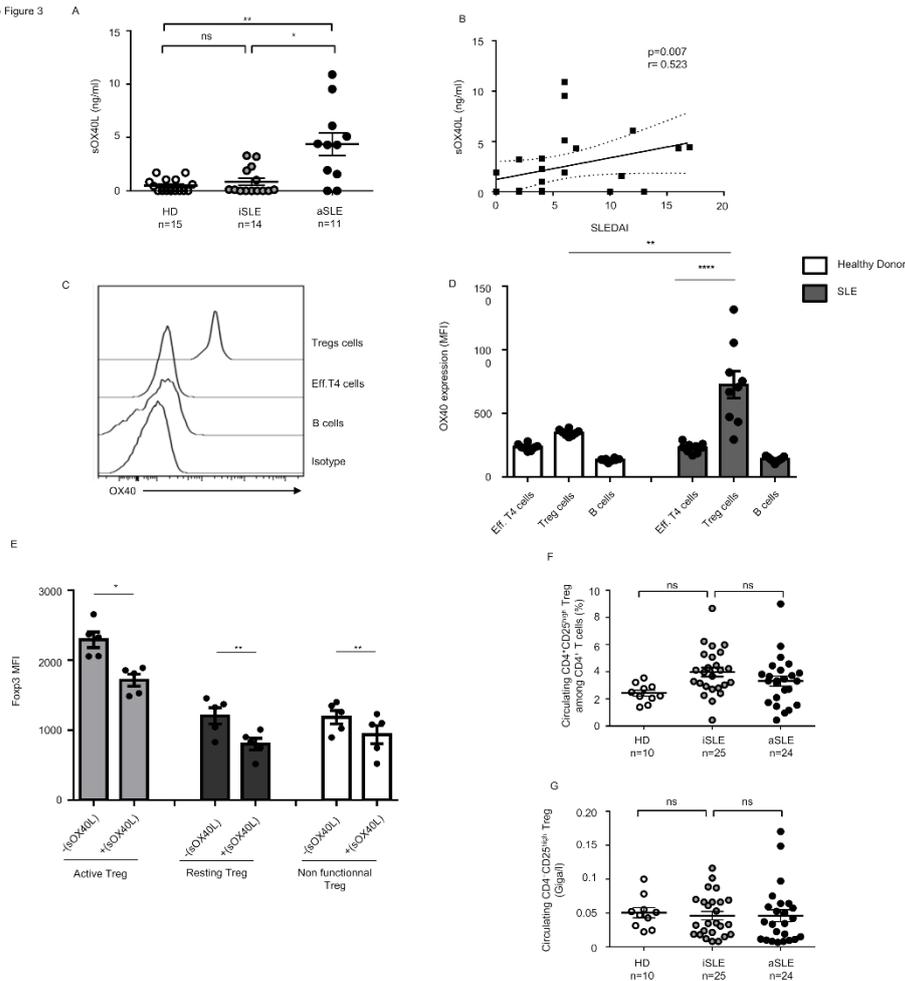
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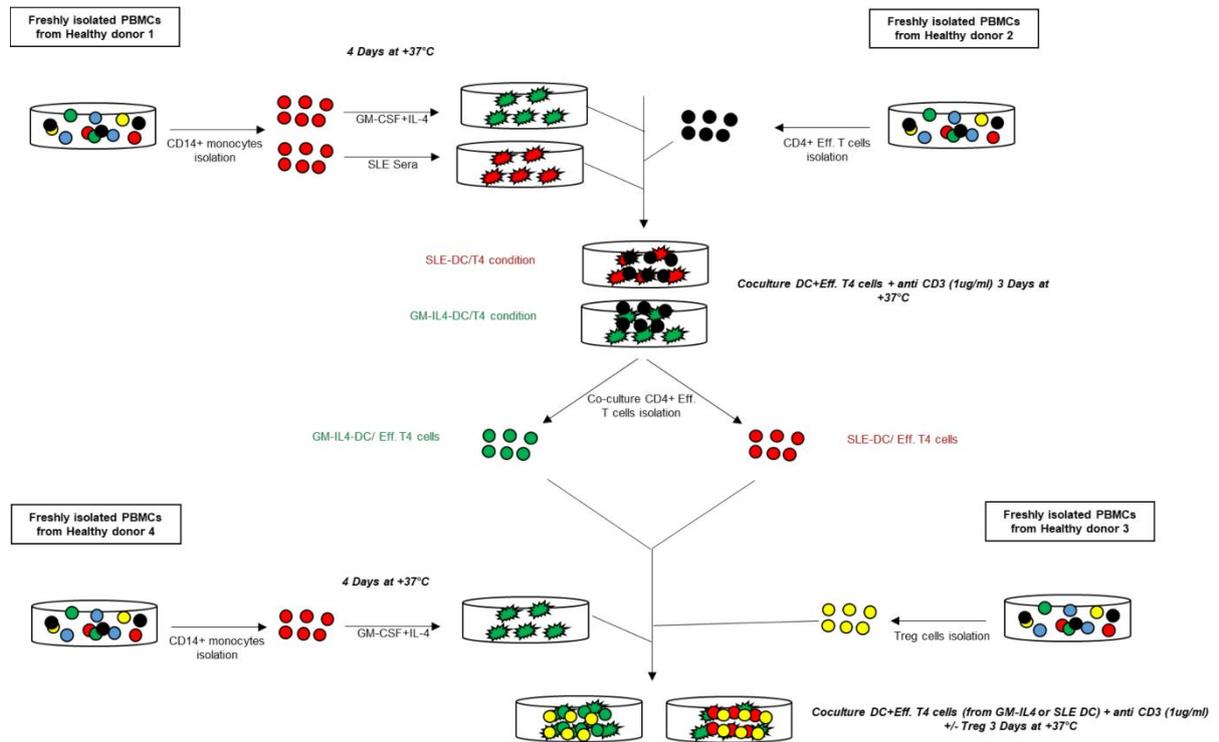
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813 **Figure S3: Blood CD4⁺CD25^{high} Tregs and serum concentration of sOX40L in healthy donors and**
814 **SLE patients.**
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816 **(A)** Serum concentration of sOX40L (in ng/ml) from HD (n=15), iSLE (n=14) and aSLE patients (n=11).
817 Individual values are given with mean and S.E.M, and compared using non-parametric Kruskal-Wallis
818 test with Dunn's correction for multiple comparisons. P-value < 0.05 (*), P-value < 0.01 (**). **(B)**
819 Correlation between sOX40L concentration in serum and SLE activity (SLEDAI), using Spearman rank
820 correlation test. **(C-D)**, Peripheral Effector CD4 T cells, Tregs, and B cells were investigated for OX40
821 expression by flow cytometry. PBMCs were isolated and stained for OX40 expression from Healthy
822 donors (n=8) and SLE patients (n=9). **(C)** Representative staining and **(D)** OX40 MFI values with S.E.M
823 are shown and compared using one-way ANOVA with Holm-Sidak's correction for multiple comparisons.
824 P value < 0.01 (**), p < 0.0001 (****). **(E)**, sOX40L impacts Foxp3 expression in different Treg subset.
825 Purified Tregs with or without sOX40L (100ng/ml) pre-treatment were cultured in pre-coated anti CD3
826 (1ug/ml) supplemented by soluble anti-CD28 (3ug/ml) in 96 wells plate for 3 days. Intra-nuclear Foxp3
827 expression was assessed by flow cytometry on different Treg sub-population based on CD25 and
828 CD45RA cell surface expression: active Tregs (CD45RA⁺CD25^{high}), resting Tregs (CD45RA⁺CD25⁺) and
829 non-functional Tregs (CD45RA⁻CD25⁺) subset. 5 different donors were studied in 2 independent
830 experiments. Individual data are shown with mean and S.E.M, and compared using non-parametric two-
831 tailed Mann-Whitney test, p < 0.05 (*), p < 0.01 (**). **(F-G)**, Frequency of blood CD4⁺CD25^{high} Tregs in HD
832 (n=10) and SLE patients with inactive (iSLE, n=25) and active (aSLE, n=24) disease. **(F)** Results are
833 expressed as % of CD4⁺CD25^{high} cells among CD4⁺ T cells, and are compared using non-parametric
834 Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's correction for multiple comparisons. **(G)**, Absolute count of
835 CD4⁺CD25^{high} Tregs cell in blood of HD (n=10) and iSLE (n=25) and aSLE patients (n=24). Results are
836 expressed in Giga/L and are compared using non-parametric Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's correction
837 for multiple comparisons. iSLE, patients with inactive disease (SLEDAI < 6); aSLE, SLE patients with
838 active disease (SLEDAI ≥ 6).
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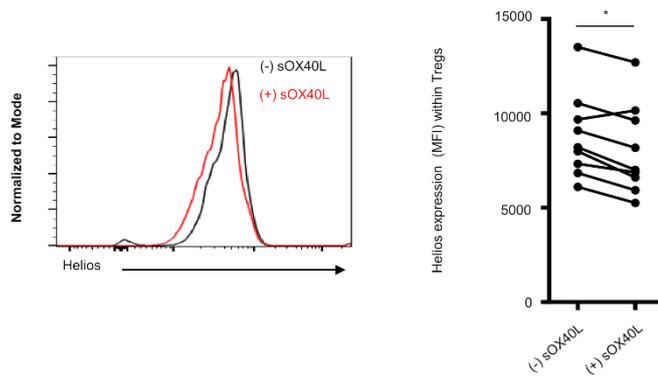
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Figure S4: Schematic showing experimental design for experiment in Figure 3A.

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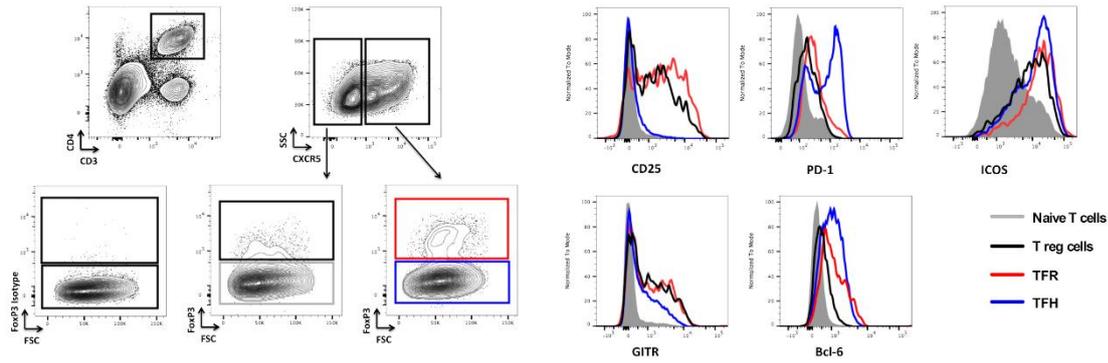


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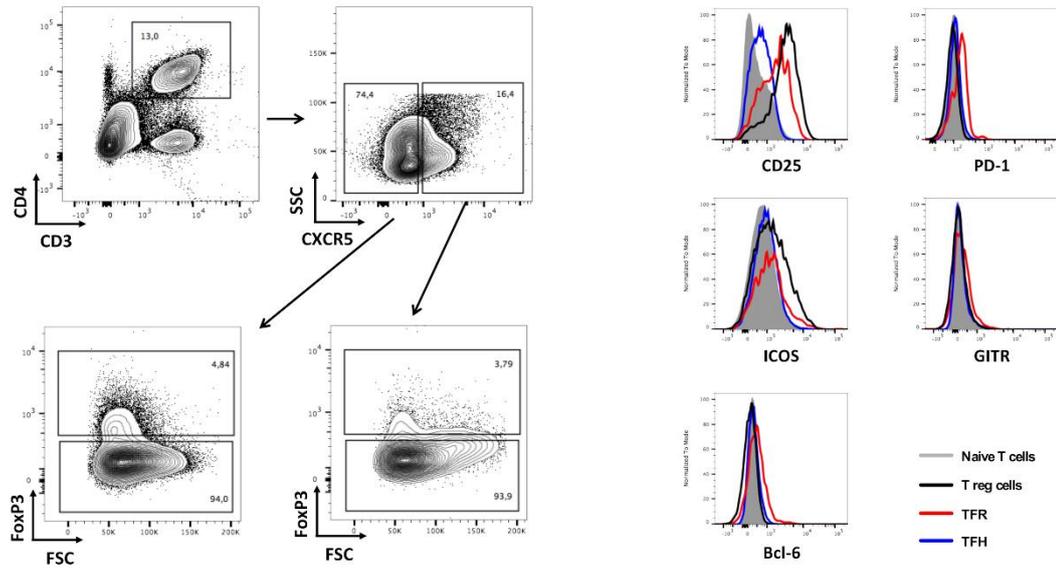
Figure S5: Tregs intranuclear Helios expression following OX40L co-stimulation

Isolated Tregs from healthy donors were cultured using pre-coated anti-CD3 (1ug/ml) 96 well plate with or without soluble OX40L (100ng/ml) for 48 hours. Intranuclear Helios expression level was evaluated by flow cytometry. 9 independent experiments using 9 different Tregs donors were realized. Data are shown as mean MFI and compared using two-tailed paired non-parametric Wilcoxon test. *, $p < 0.05$.

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903 **Figure S6: Cell surface expression of CD25, PD-1, ICOS, GITR and Bcl-6 of Tonsil and blood**
 904 **TFH, TFR, Tregs and naïve T cells in HD.**

905 **(A, left and right panel)**, cell surface expression of CD25, PD-1, ICOS, GITR and Bcl-6 in Tonsils TFH,
 906 TFH, TFR, Tregs and naïve T cells. **(A, left panel)**, Representative dot plots showing CD3⁺CD4⁺FoxP3⁻
 907 CXCR5⁺ TFH cells (blue line), CD3⁺CD4⁺FoxP3⁺CXCR5⁺ TFR cells (red line),
 908 CD3⁺CD4⁺FoxP3⁺CXCR5⁻ Tregs cells (black line) and CD3⁺CD4⁺FoxP3⁻CXCR5⁻ naïve T cells (grey
 909 filled). **(A, right panel)**, expression of cell surface markers according to cell subsets. Representative of
 910 one out of 2 experiments. **(B, left panel)**, Representative dot plots showing CD3⁺CD4⁺Foxp3⁻CXCR5⁺
 911 TFH cells (blue line), CD3⁺CD4⁺Foxp3⁺CXCR5⁺ TFR cells (red line), CD3⁺CD4⁺Foxp3⁺CXCR5⁻ Tregs
 912 cells (black line) and CD3⁺CD4⁺Foxp3⁻CXCR5⁻ naïve T cells (grey filled) in blood and **(B, right panel)**
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Supplementary Table 1: clinical and biological informations concerning SLE patients

Patient number	Age	Sex	Clinical failure	Flare	Corticotherapy (dose, mg/day)	Associated treatment	SLEDAI	Patient number	Age	Sex	Clinical failure	Flare	Corticotherapy (dose, mg/day)	Associated treatment	SLEDAI
1	54	M	A, C, H, R			HQ	2	28	34	F	A, C, H, N		7.5	AZA	4
2	27	F	A, C, H, N, PP, APS	A	10	MTX, RTX	8	29	58	F	A, H	A	10	AZA	8
3	35	F	A, H		20	HQ	4	57	57	F	A, H	A	15	HQ, AZA	6
4	33	F	C, H, APS		10	HQ, MMF	0	30	35	F	A, C, H, M, N, R	A, R	20	HQ, MMF	16
4	34	F	C, H, APS		10	HQ, MMF	2	30	35	F	A, C, H, M, N, R		17.5	HQ, MMF	2
5	35	F	A, C, R		7	HQ, AZA	2	31	58	F	A, C		17.5	HQ	2
6	35	F	A, C, H, R, APS		50	CYC	4	32	25	F	A, H	A	10	MTX	4
7	41	F	A, C, H, R	N, R	10	MPA	26	32	25	F	A, H	A	10	MTX	8
8	34	M	A, C, H, R	C, R, V			20	33	38	F	A, H, R	R			16
9	40	F	A, C, H			HQ, MTX	0	33	39	F	A, H, R	R	8	MMF	2
10	32	F	A, C, H, R	A, C, R		HQ	22	34	17	M	A, C, PP, R	R	10	HQ, MMF	12
10	31	F	A, C, H, R		25	HQ, CYC	4	35	21	F	A, C, APS			HQ	4
10	31	F	A, C, H, R	R	25	HQ, CYC	8	35	21	F	A, C, APS			HQ	4
10	31	F	A, C, H, R	R	20	HQ, CYC	8	35	21	F	A, C, APS			HQ	4
11	41	F	A, H, APS		3	HQ, MMF	4	36	19	F	A, C, R	R	5	HQ, MMF	8
12	72	M	C, H, N, PP, R	C, N, PP, R		HQ	24	37	39	F	A, C, R		3	MMF, RTX	2
13	36	F	A, C, R		10	AZA	4	38	51	F	A, H, R	A	10	Abatacept	8
14	22	F	A, C, R		2	AZA	2	38	51	F	A, H, R	R	8	Abatacept	2
15	22	F	A, C, H, R	R	2.5	MMF	12	38	52	F	A, H, R	R	9	Abatacept	12
16	23	M	H, R	R		MMF	8	38	52	F	A, H, R	A	10		8
16	22	M	H, R			MMF	4	39	57	F	A, H, PP, R	R	5	HQ	17
17	60	M	A, H, N, R	A, N, R	10	HQ	19	39	56	F	A, H, APS	R	20	HQ	4
17	58	M	A, H, N, R		10	HQ	2	40	65	F	H, APS				0
17	59	M	A, H, N, R		5	HQ	2	41	38	F	A, C, PP	C	5	HQ	6
18	25	F	A, C, H, PP, APS		30	HQ, RTX	4	42	34	F	A, C, H, N		10	HQ, MMF	4
18	25	F	A, C, H, PP, APS		25	HQ, RTX	4	43	28	F	R, H, A	R	5	HQ, MMF	9
18	25	F	A, C, H, PP, APS	A	40	HQ, RTX	8	44	63	F	C, A, R	H, A	30	HQ, AZA	22
19	18	F	A, C, H, R	A, C, N, R	20	HQ, MMF	24	45	22	F	C, A	PP	30	HQ, CYC	23
19	19	F	A, C, H, R		30	MPA	0	46	37	M	A, R, D		5	MMF	2
19	19	F	A, C, H, R		7	MPA	0	47	37	F	A		7	HQ	2
19	19	F	A, C, H, R		6	MPA	8	48	57	F	A		5	HQ	4
19	20	F	A, C, H, R	A	6	HQ, MPA	2	49	53	F	A		5	HQ	4
19	20	F	A, C, H, R		6	HQ, MPA	2	50	80	F	A, N, PP		5	MTX	3
20	40	F	A, C, R, APS		6	MMF	2	50	20	F	A, N, PP		9		4
21	58	F	A, C, H		3	HQ, MTX	4	51	20	F	R			HQ, MTX	2
22	42	F	A, H, R	R, V			33	52	41	F	C, A, R				8
23	44	M	A, H, PP, R		8	MMF	4	53	43	F	A	A	20		8
24	18	F	H				3	54	50	F	H			HQ	4
25	27	F	A, C, R	A	10	HQ, MMF	8	54	55	F	A, C			HQ	4
26	48	F	D, H, M, PP, R		40	AZA	16	55	27	F	A, R			MMF	4
26	46	F	D, H, M, PP, R	R	20	MMF	4	57	25	F	A, R, H, PP				16
26	46	F	D, H, M, PP, R		5	HQ, MMF	4	58	18	F	A, H	A	12.5	AZA	23
27	39	F	A, H, N, R, APS		5	HQ, AZA	2	58	35	F	A	A	10	HQ	8
28	35	F	A, C, H, N	A	10		8	60	37	F	A, C	A	10	HQ	4
28	35	F	A, C, H, N	A	15		8	61	41	F	A, C, H	A, R	5	HQ	14

Legends
F: female, M: male, A: articular, C: cutaneous, D: digestive, H: haematologic, M: myocardic, N: neurological, PP: pleuropericardic, R: renal, V: vascular, APS: anti-phospholipid syndrome, HQ: hydroxychloroquin, AZA: azathioprin, CYC: cyclophosphamide, MMF: mycophenolate mofetil, MPA: mycophenolic acid, MTX: methotrexate, RTX: rituximab

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Supplementary Table 2: Antibodies and clones informations

Marker	Clone	Company
CD3 APC	UCHT1	Beckman Coulter
CD4 PC7	SFCI12T4D11	Beckman Coulter
CD8 FITC	B9.11	Beckman Coulter
CD16 FITC	3G8	BD Biosciences
CD11c APC	B-ly6	BD Biosciences
HLA-DR PC7	Immu-357	Beckman Coulter
CD14 PC5	RM052	Beckman Coulter
CD25 PC5	B1.49.9	Beckman Coulter
CD127 PE	R34.34	Beckman Coulter
TNFR2 PE	hTNFR-M1	BD Biosciences
CTLA-4 APC	BNI3	BD Biosciences
OX40L PE	ANC10G1	Ancell
CCR7 FITC	REA546	Miltenyi
CD56 PE	B159	BD Biosciences
GITR APC	DT5D3	Miltenyi
Foxp3 PE	236A/E7	eBioscience
CD45RA ECD	2H4LDH11LDB9	Beckman Coulter
CXCR5 AF647	RF8B2	BD Biosciences
PD-1 FITC	EH12.2H7	Biolegend
ICOS PC7	C398.4A	Biolegend
Bcl-6 AF647	K112-91	BD Biosciences
CD38 PC7	HIT2	Biolegend
CD27 PC5	O323	eBioscience
IgD FITC	IA6-2	BD Biosciences
CD19 PE	LT19	Miltenyi

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Supplementary Table 3: Clinical information concerning patients used in Tregs experiment

Patient number	Clinical disease activity	Age	Sex	Flare	Current organ involvement	steroids (dose, mg/day)	Associated treatments	SLEDAI	%CD11cDR OX40L
#1	Active	65	F	yes	N	0	-	8	15
#2	Active	42	F	yes	R, C, H, V, PP	80	HCQ	29	5
#3	Active	41	F	-	A	3	HCQ	4	9,7
#4	Active	35	F	yes	R	60	HCQ - MMF	16	19
#5	Active	25	F	-	A	0	MTX	4	6
#6	Quiescent	60	F	-	-	5	MTX	1	1
#7	Quiescent	58	F	-	-	15	HCQ	4	0
#8	Quiescent	27	M	-	-	0	-	4	0
#9	Quiescent	19	F	-	-	7	MMF	0	3
#10	Quiescent	25	F	-	-	30	RTX	4	1

Legends:

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HCQ: hydroxychloroquine, MMF: mycophenolate mofetil, MTX : methotrexate, RTX: rituximab

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