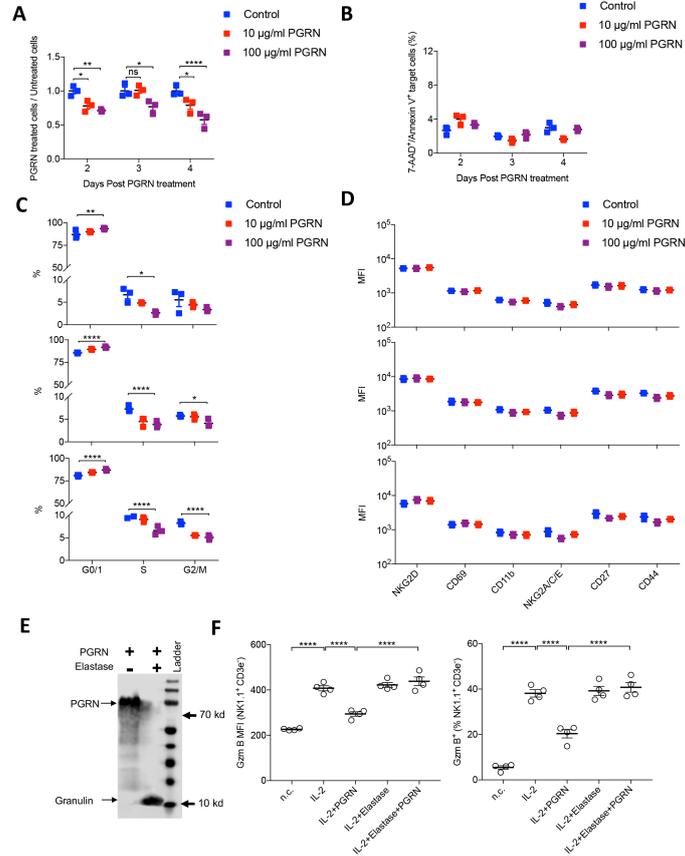


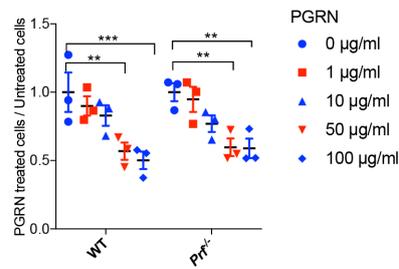
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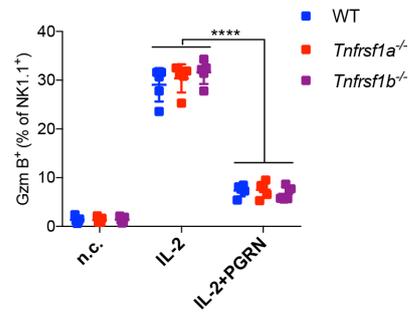
**Supplementary Figure 1. Progranulin but not Granulin suppresses NK cell activation.** (A-D) Freshly isolated NK cells were expanded with IL-2 and indicated doses of recombinant PGRN. The NK cell numbers (A, n=3), NK cell viability (B, n=3), NK cell cycle (C, n=3) and NK cell surface receptors (D, n=3) were measured at indicated time points. In (A), the graph illustrates a normalized value: (NK cell number in presence of PGRN) / (NK cell number in absence of PGRN). (E and F) PGRN proteins were incubated with Elastase (1.0 unit) for 24h. (E) The efficacy of PGRN digestion was confirmed by western blotting. (F) WT splenocytes were not stimulated (n.c.), stimulated with IL-2 (IL-2), IL-2 in presence of PGRN, IL-2 in presence of elastase, or IL-2 in presence of elastase digested PGRN, followed by Granzyme B staining (n=4). Data show mean ± s.e.m. \**p* < 0.05, \*\**p* < 0.001, \*\*\**p* < 0.0002, \*\*\*\**p* < 0.0001.

## Figure S2

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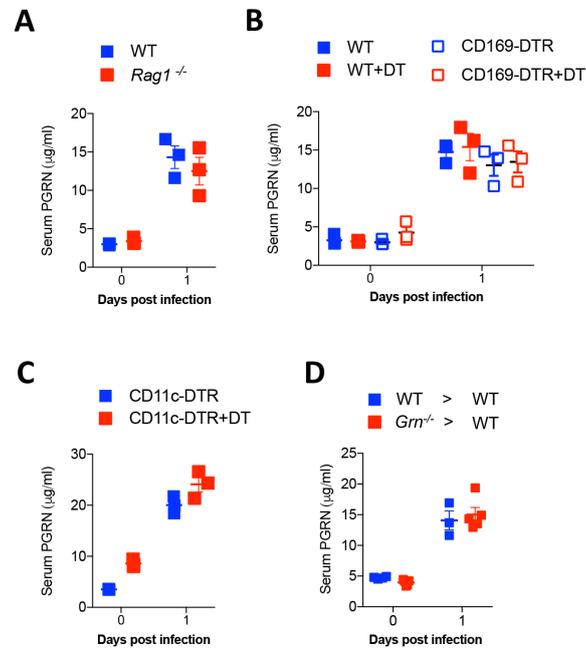


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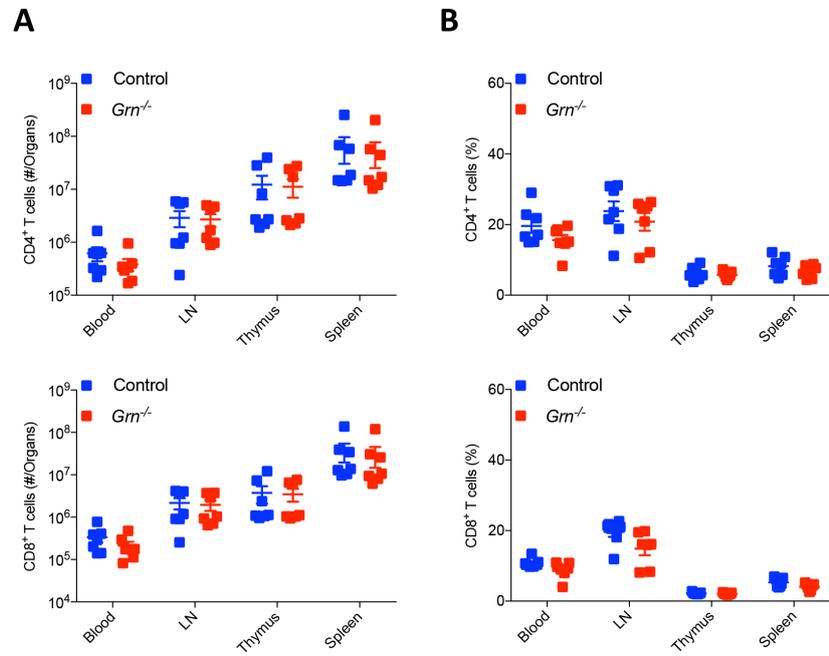
**Supplementary Figure 2. The impact of PGRN on *Prf1*<sup>-/-</sup>, *Tnfrsf1a*<sup>-/-</sup> and *Tnfrsf1b*<sup>-/-</sup> NK cells.** (A) Freshly isolated NK cells from *Prf1*<sup>-/-</sup> spleen tissue was treated with IL-2 and different doses of PGRN for 4 days (n=3). The graphs illustrate a normalized value: (NK cell number in presence of PGRN) / (NK cell number in absence of PGRN). (B) Splenocytes from WT, *Tnfrsf1a*<sup>-/-</sup> and *Tnfrsf1b*<sup>-/-</sup> mice were stimulated with 1000U/ml IL-2 with or without PGRN for 6h. Granzyme B levels were measured by flow cytometry (n=5). Data show mean  $\pm$  s.e.m. \*\* $p < 0.001$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.0002$ , \*\*\*\* $p < 0.0001$ .

**Figure S3**



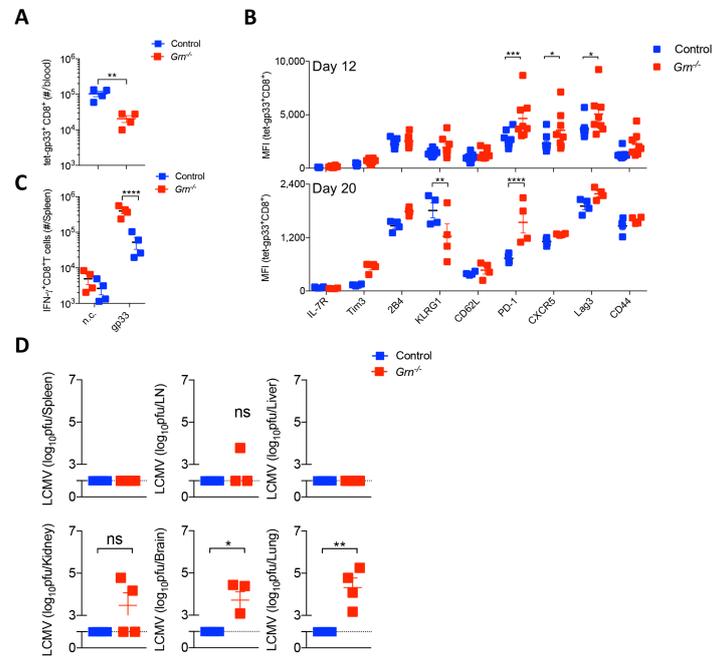
**Supplementary Figure 3. T cells, B cells, CD169<sup>+</sup> and CD11c<sup>+</sup> cells are dispensable for PGRN expression during viral infection. (A)** Wild type (WT) mice and *Rag1*<sup>-/-</sup> mice were infected with 2\*10<sup>6</sup> pfu WE (n=3). The serum PGRN protein levels were measured by ELISA at day 1 p.i. **(B and C)** CD169-DTR and CD11c-DTR mice were treated with Diphtheria toxin (DT, 100 ng/mouse) at day -2 followed by infection with 2\*10<sup>6</sup> pfu LCMV-WE at day 0 (n=3). The serum PGRN protein levels were measured by ELISA at day 1 p.i. **(D)** Lethally irradiated control mice were reconstituted with control or *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> bone marrow cells. Mice were infected with 2\*10<sup>6</sup> pfu LCMV WE and the serum PGRN levels were measured by ELISA (n=3-5). Data show mean ± s.e.m.

**Figure S4**



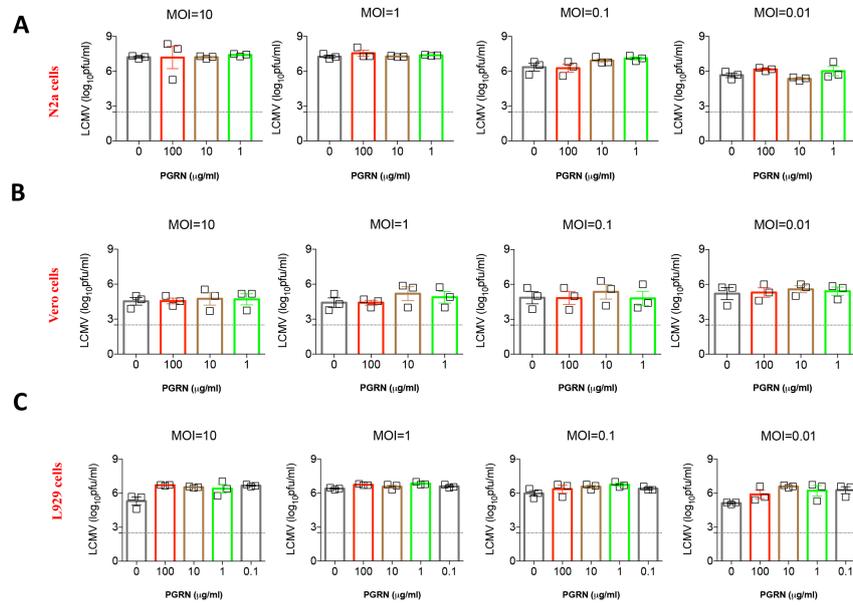
**Supplementary Figure 4. Naïve *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice exhibit no gross T cell phenotype.** T cells were analysed in naïve *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> and control mice. **(A)** CD4<sup>+</sup> T cell number (*upper panel*) and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cell number (*lower panel*) was measured in tissue harvested from control and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice as indicated (n=7 per group). **(B)** The frequency of CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells (*upper panel*) and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells (*lower panel*) were determined in control and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice (n=7). Data show mean ± s.e.m. pooled from two experiments.

**Figure S5**



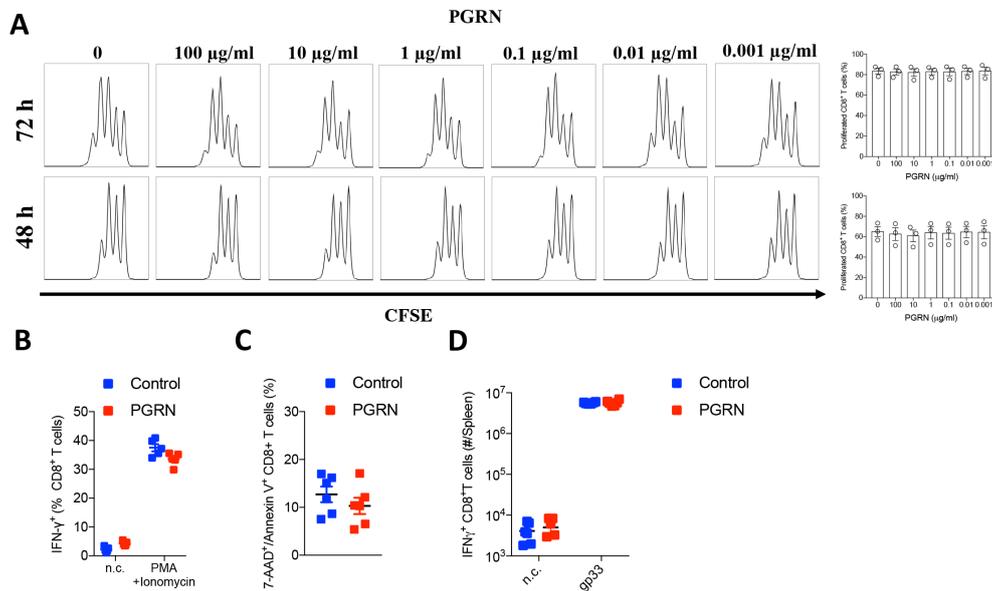
**Supplementary Figure 5. *Grm*<sup>-/-</sup> mice have reduced anti-viral T cell immunity after LCMV infection.** Control and *Grm*<sup>-/-</sup> mice were infected with  $2 \times 10^6$  LCMV-WE. **(A)** Absolute numbers of anti-viral CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells from blood were measured by flow cytometry at day 20 (n=4). **(B)** Surface molecule expression on anti-viral CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells from blood samples 12 (upper panel) or 20 (lower panel) days after infection were measured (n=4). **(C)** IFN $\gamma$ <sup>+</sup> CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells were determined after re-stimulation with the LCMV epitopes gp33 and np396 at day 20 p.i. (n=4). **(D)** Virus titers were examined by plaque assays at day 20 p.i. (n=4). Data show mean  $\pm$  s.e.m.; \**p* < 0.05, \*\**p* < 0.001, \*\*\**p* < 0.0001.

**Figure S6**



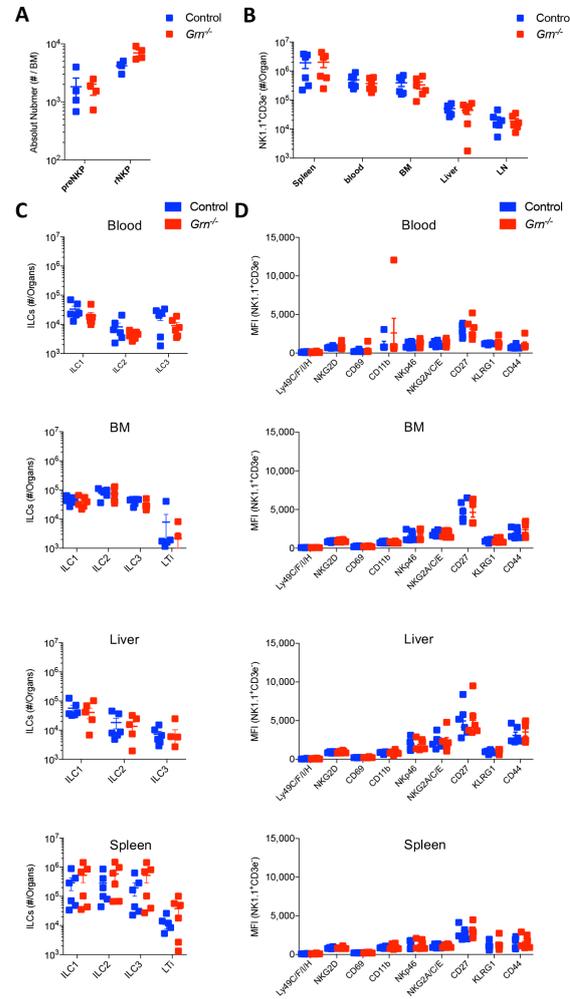
**Supplementary Figure 6. LCMV replication remains intact in presence of PGRN.** N2a neuroblastoma cells (A, n=3), Vero (B, n=3) and L929 (C, n=3) cells were incubated with the indicated concentrations of PGRN protein. Subsequently, the cells were infected with the indicated doses of LCMV-WE. The replication of virus was determined by plaque assays. Data show mean ± s.e.m.

**Figure S7**



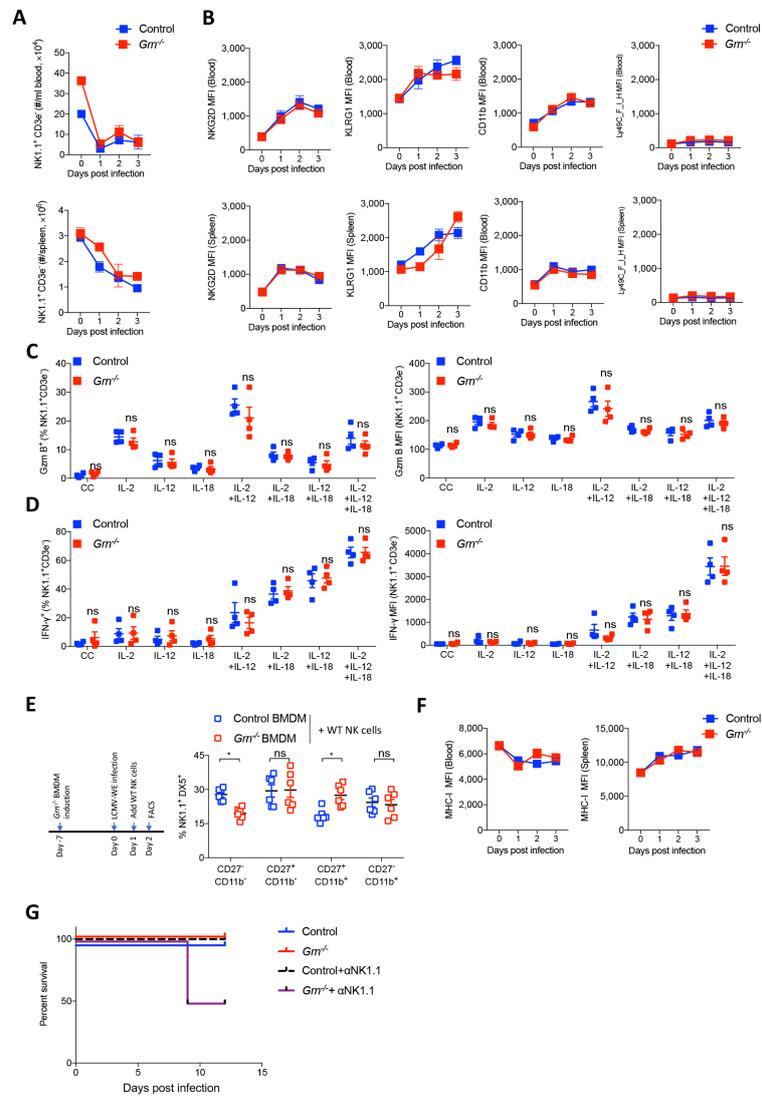
**Supplementary Figure 7. PGRN does not limit CD8<sup>+</sup> T cell proliferation and activation.** (A) Purified CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells were labelled with CFSE and then activated by anti-CD3/anti-CD28 antibodies and incubated with different doses of PGRN *in vitro*. The CFSE intensity was measured by flow cytometry at 48h and 72h (n=3). (B) Splenocytes from control mice were stimulated by PMA (20 ng/ml) and Ionomycin (1 µg/ml) for 6hours. Cells were subjected to IFN- $\gamma$  staining (n=5). (C) Naïve CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells were activated with anti-CD3e/CD28 antibody with or without PGRN (100µg/ml) for 24h. The apoptosis of these T cells was measured by FACS (n=6). (D) Mice were infected with LCMV-WE. Splenocytes were re-stimulated with gp33 in absence and presence of PGRN (100 µg/ml) and IFN- $\gamma$  in CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells was measured by FACS (n=6). Data show mean  $\pm$  s.e.m.

**Figure S8**



**Supplementary Figure 8. *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice exhibit no gross NK cell or Innate lymphoid cell phenotype.** (A) Absolute numbers of NK cell progenitor preNKP (Lin<sup>-</sup>2B4<sup>+</sup>CD27<sup>+</sup>CD127<sup>+</sup>CD122<sup>+</sup>Flt3<sup>-</sup>) and rNKP (Lin<sup>-</sup>2B4<sup>+</sup>CD27<sup>+</sup>CD127<sup>+</sup>CD122<sup>+</sup>Flt3<sup>-</sup>) were measured by flow cytometry in bone marrow (BM) samples from control and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice (n=3). (B) CD3e<sup>+</sup>NK1.1<sup>+</sup> cells in peripheral lymphoid organs were examined in *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> and control mice (n=6). (C) ILC1 (Lin<sup>-</sup>NK1.1<sup>+</sup>RORγT<sup>-</sup>Eomes<sup>+</sup>), ILC2 (Lin<sup>-</sup>NK1.1<sup>-</sup>RORγT<sup>+</sup>CD11b<sup>-</sup>GATA-3<sup>+</sup>), ILC3 (Lin<sup>-</sup>RORγT<sup>+</sup>CD4<sup>+</sup>) and LTi (Lin<sup>-</sup>RORγT<sup>+</sup>CD4<sup>+</sup>) subsets were measured by flow cytometry in organs harvested from naive control and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice as indicated. Gating strategy excluded dead and Lin (CD3, CD5, CD8, CD19, Ly-6G, TCRβ, and FcγR1) cells (n=6). (D) Inhibitory and activating receptors of CD3e<sup>+</sup>NK1.1<sup>+</sup> cells in the blood and peripheral lymphoid organs as indicated were examined in naive control and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice (n=6). Data show mean ± s.e.m.

**Figure S9**



**Supplementary Figure 9. *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice exhibit similar NK cell numbers and surface molecule expression to control animals.** (A) Control and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice were infected with  $2 \times 10^6$  pfu of LCMV-WE. Absolute numbers of CD3e<sup>+</sup>NK1.1<sup>+</sup> cells in blood (*upper panel*) and spleen (*lower panel*) samples were examined by flow cytometry (n=4). (B) Surface molecule expression was measured (n=4). (C-D) Control and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> splenocytes were activated with different cytokines as indicated for 6h. Gzm B (C) and IFN- $\gamma$  (D) expression in NK cells was measured by flow cytometry (n=4). (E) Control and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> bone marrow derived macrophage (BMDM) were infected with LCMV (MOI=1) for 24h and isolated naïve WT NK cells were added to the culture. 24h later, NK cell

maturation was measured by flow cytometry (n=6). **(F)** WT and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice were infected with high dose of LCMV-WE. MHC-I expression on CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells was measured by FACS (n=4). **(G)** WT and *Grn*<sup>-/-</sup> mice were injected with NK depletion antibody ( $\alpha$ NK1.1) as shown in Figure 7D. The survival rate was measured (n=22). Data show mean  $\pm$  s.e.m.; *ns* represents no significance, \**p* < 0.05, \*\**p* < 0.001.

**Supplementary Table 1**

<b>Targets</b>		<b>Sequence (5'-3')</b>
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	Reverse	GTCGTTGGCGTAAATGAGCTG
<b><i>Granzyme B</i></b>	Forward	CCACTCTCGACCCACATGG
	Reverse	GGCCCCAAAGTGACATTTATT
<b><i>Perforin</i></b>	Forward	AGCACAAGTTCGTGCCAGG
	Reverse	GCGTCTCTATTAGGGAGTTTTT
<b><i>Grn</i></b>	Forward	GTGTGTGAGGATCACATTC
	Reverse	CTATGACCTTCTTCATCCAG
<b><i>GAPDH</i></b>	Forward	TGCACCACCAACTGCTTAG
	Reverse	GGATGCAGGGATGATGTC
<b><i>Actin</i></b>	Forward	GGCTGTATCCCCTCCATCG
	Reverse	CCAGTTGGTAACAATGCCATGT