

Supplementary Figure 1. The distribution of CD4+Foxp3+ and CD4+Foxp3<sup>-</sup> T cells in spleen, lymph node and thymus from  $ApoE^{-/-}$  mice and  $Ldlr^{-/-}$  mice. (A) The  $ApoE^{-/-}$  mice of 20 weeks old fed with high fat diet (HFD) for 12 weeks were investigated. The flow cytometry detections were performed for analyzing the populations of CD4+ T cells and Foxp3+ Tregs, respectively (n=10). (B) The flow cytometry detections were performed for analyzing the populations of CD4+ T cells and Foxp3+ Tregs in The  $Ldlr^{-/-}$  mice of 20 weeks old fed with HFD for 12 weeks were investigated, respectively (n=3) (T-test, \*p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01).

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Supplementary Figure 2. Anti-inflammatory immune checkpoint receptors, such as programmed death-1 (PD-1) and Helios (Ikzf2) are found in a decrease trend in splenic Tregs in the deficiency of IL-35p35. (A) Western blots were performed in detecting Foxp3 protein levels in spleens from four groups of mice; (B) Blood Treg in ApoE<sup>-/-</sup> mice were not significantly changed by IL-35 p35 deficiency. The IL-35p35<sup>-/-</sup>/ApoE<sup>-/-</sup> mice of 20 weeks old (n = 8) and APOE<sup>-/-</sup> mice (n=6) fed with high fat diet for 12 weeks were investigated. (C) Real-time PCRs were performed for detecting Il6st (encodes CD130), Il12rb2, and Il10 gene expression levels in pooled aorta samples (n = 5/group) from  $ApoE^{-/-}$  and  $IL-35p35^{-/-}/ApoE^{-/-}$  mice, respectively. (D) The expressions of Helios and PD-1 were examined in Treg subpopulations in freshly isolated spleens from IL-35p35<sup>-/-</sup>/ ApoE<sup>-/-</sup> mice (n=5) and  $ApoE^{-/-}$  mice, respectively, (n=8) by flow cytometry (T-test, \* p<0.05).