

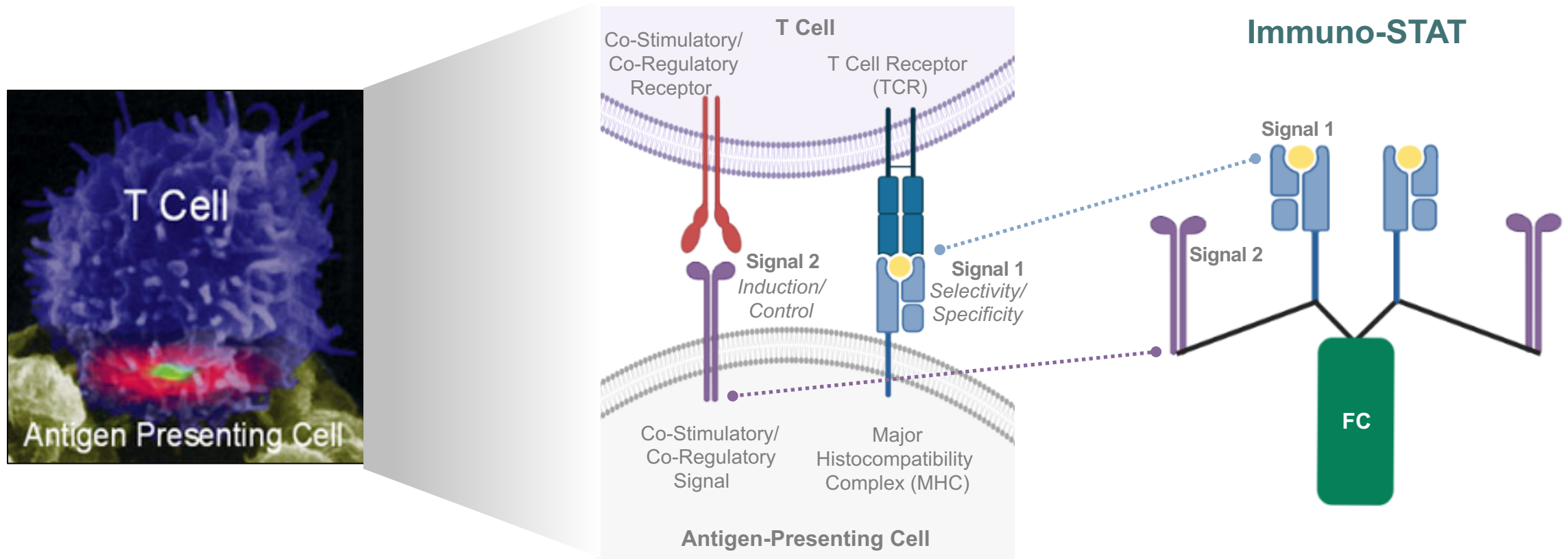


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Immune Responses, On CueTM

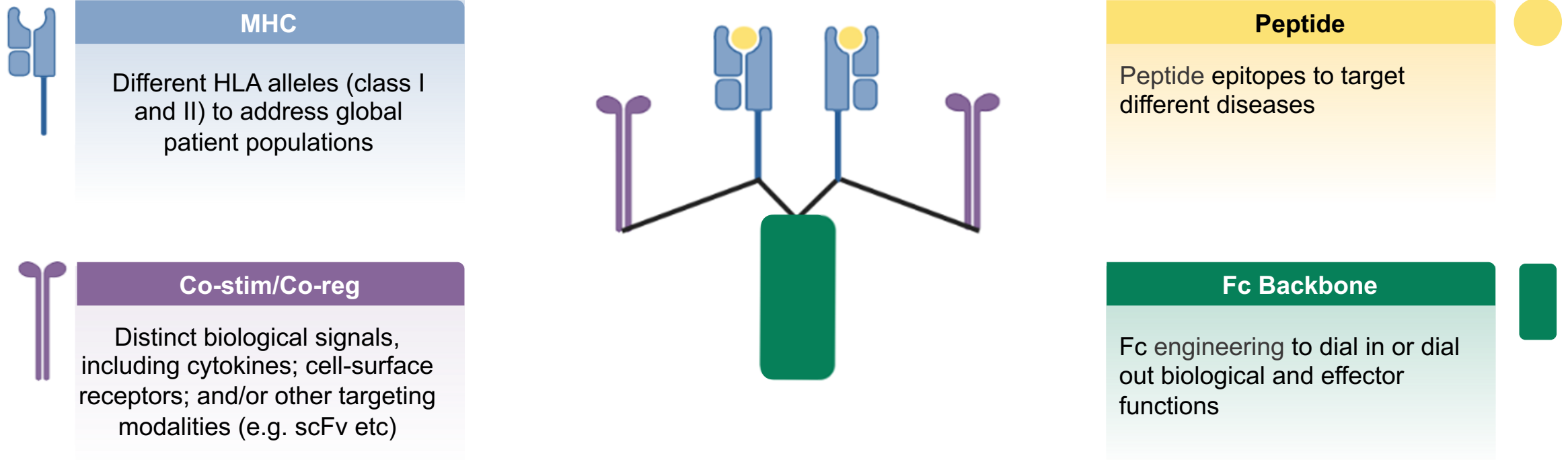
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Emulating Nature's Cues to Selectively Modulate T Cells



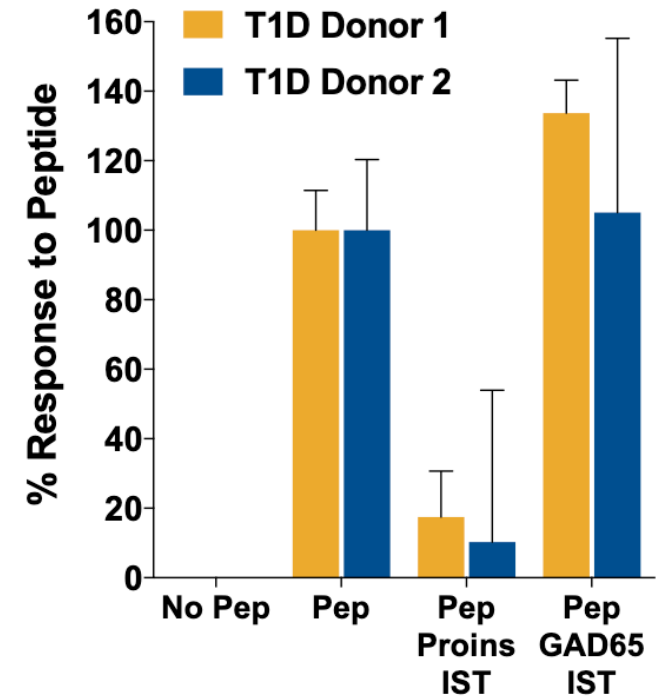
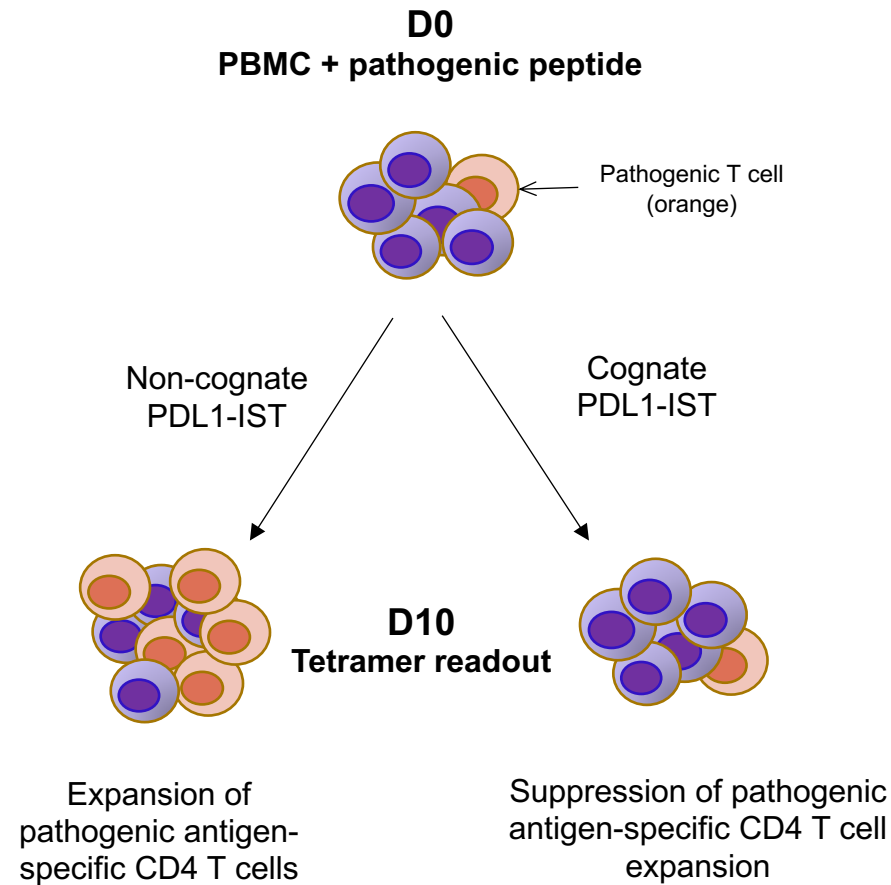
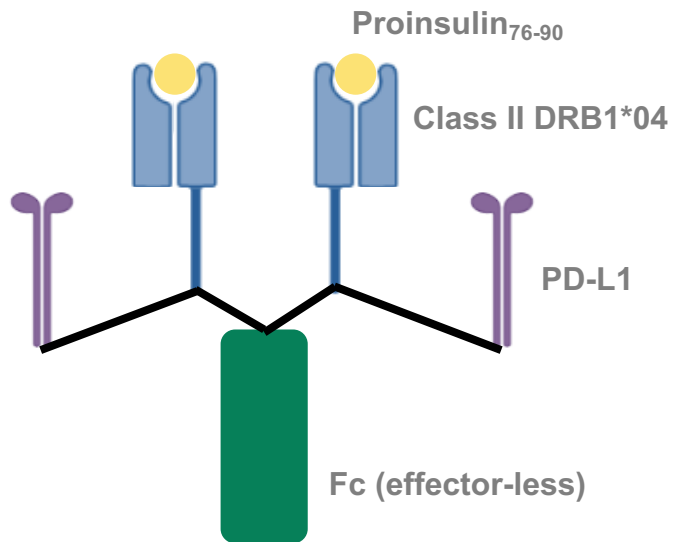
Rationally engineered Immuno-STAT biologics selectively target and modulate the activity of disease-relevant T cells

Immuno-STAT Modularity

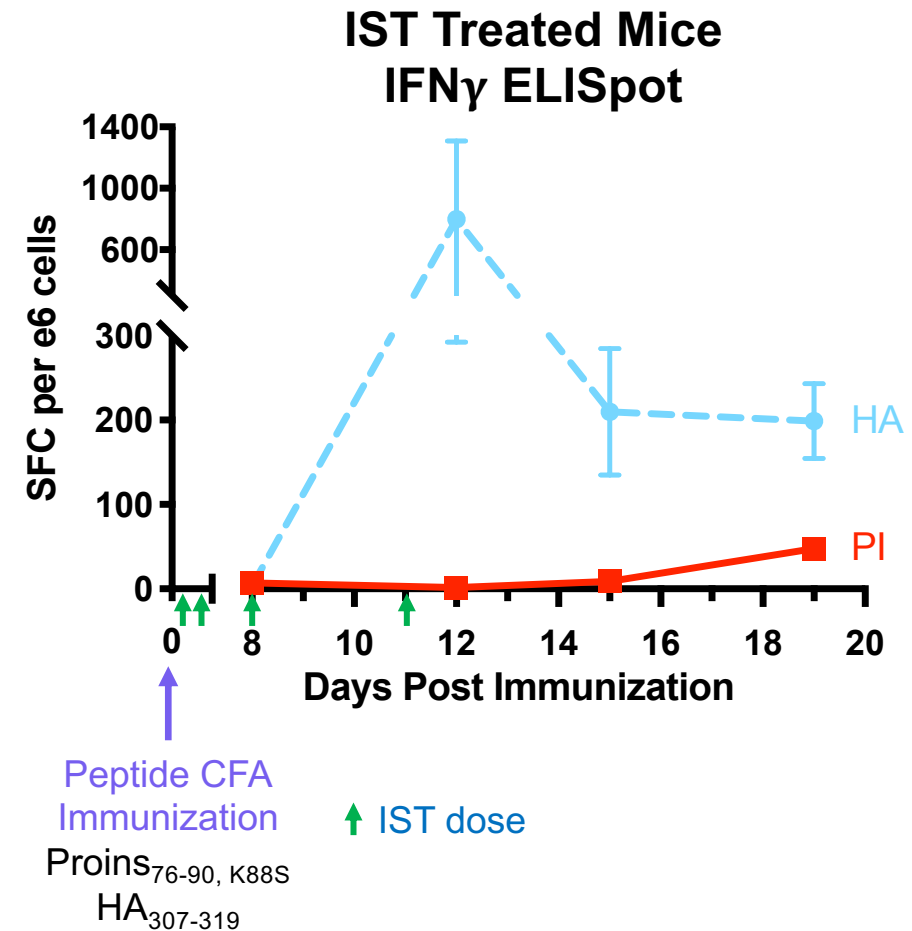
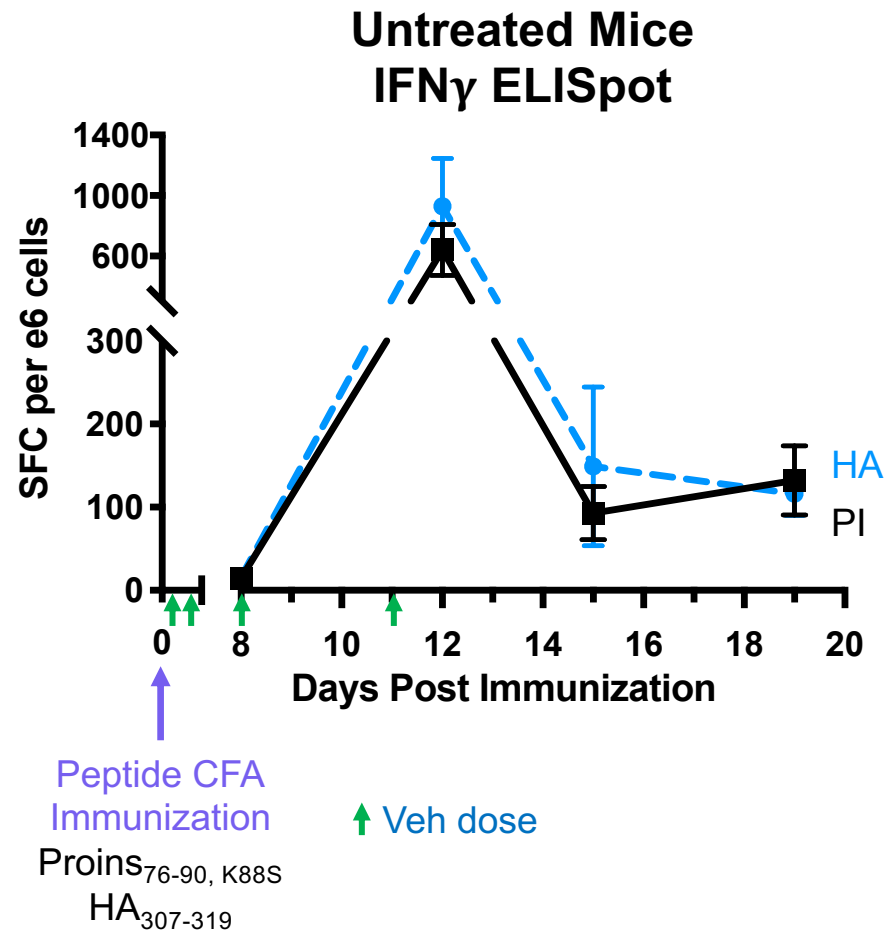


Combinatorial diversity presents potential to generate therapeutic molecules for a broad set of diseases and patient populations

Proins₇₆₋₉₀, K88S/DR4-PDL1 Immuno-STAT (IST) Selectively Inhibits Antigen-Specific CD4⁺ T Cell Expansion from PBMCs of T1D Donors



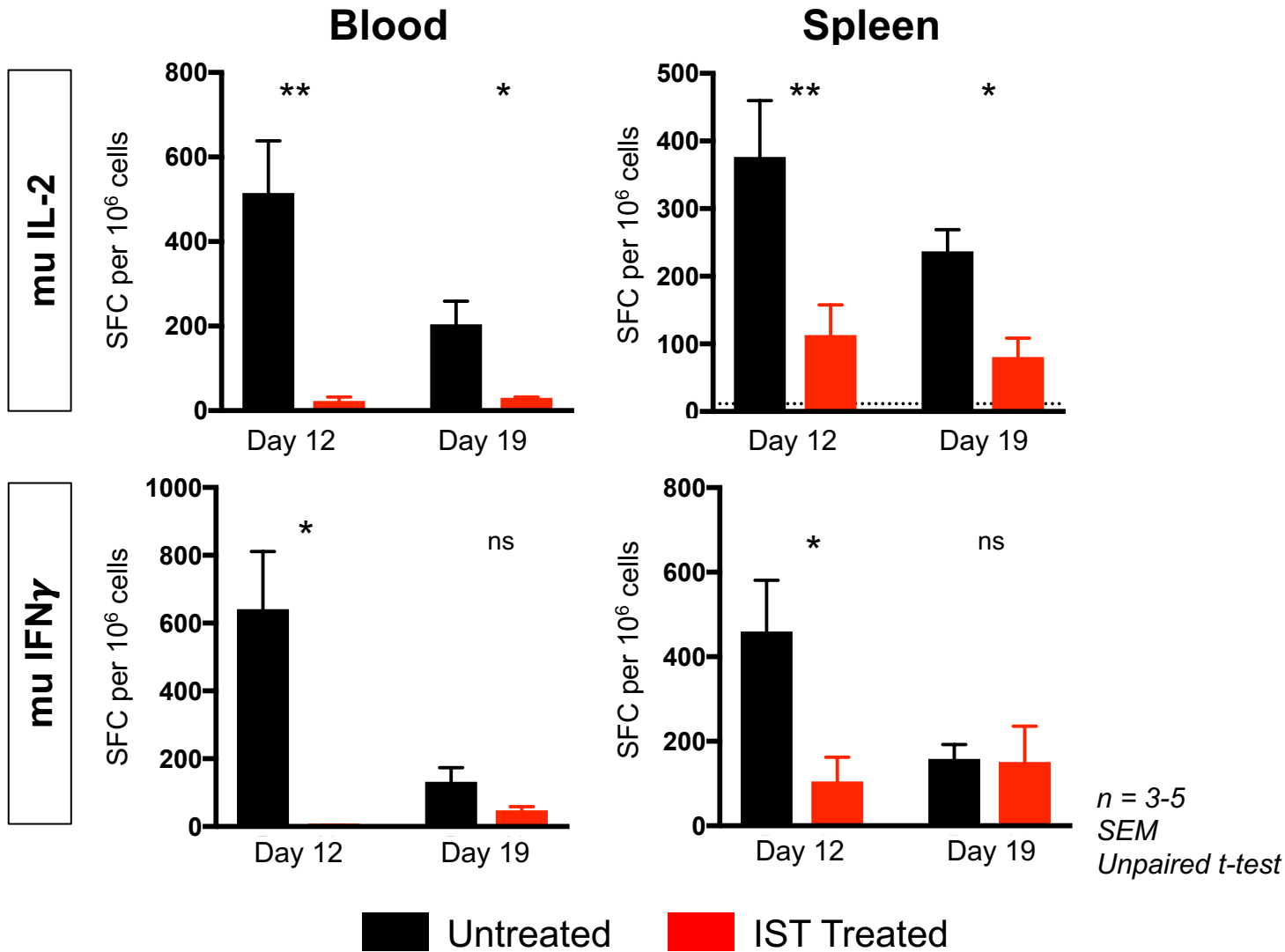
Early Intervention with Immuno-STAT Selectively Reduces the Number of Proinsulin (PI) Responsive CD4⁺ T Cells in Transgenic Mice



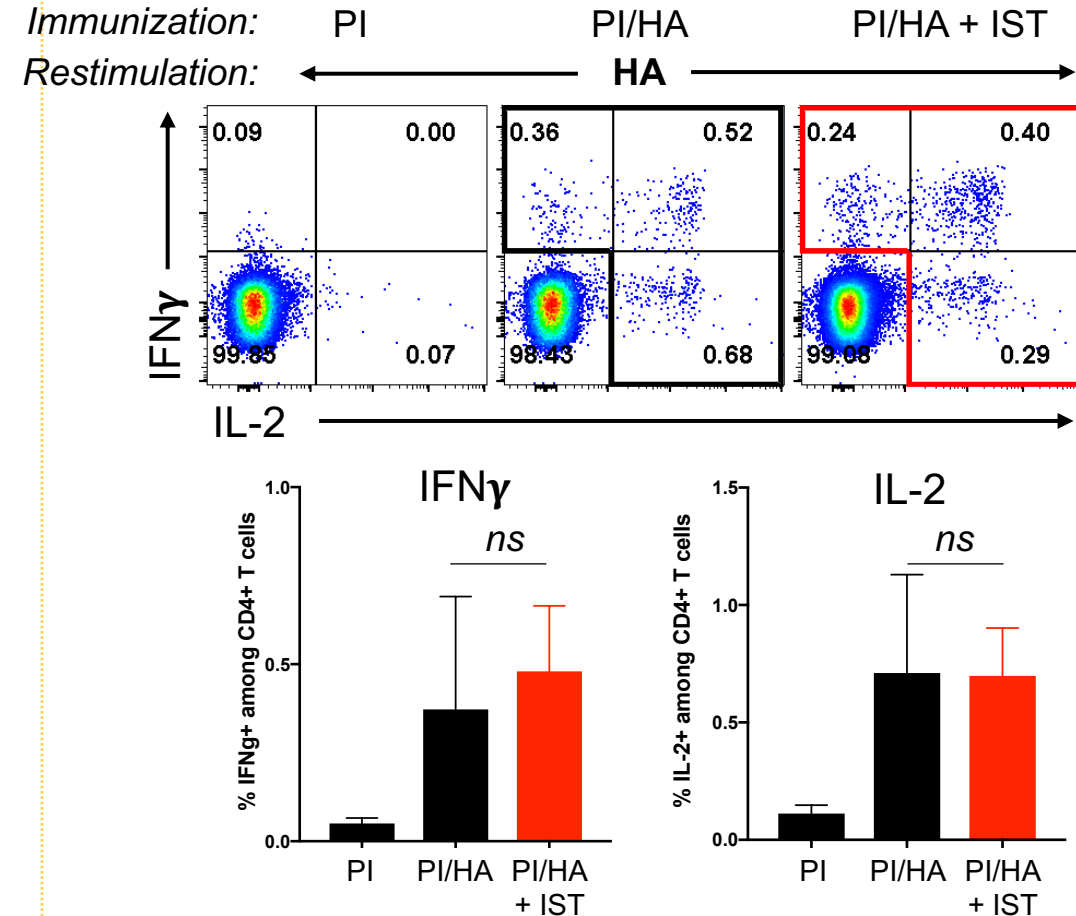
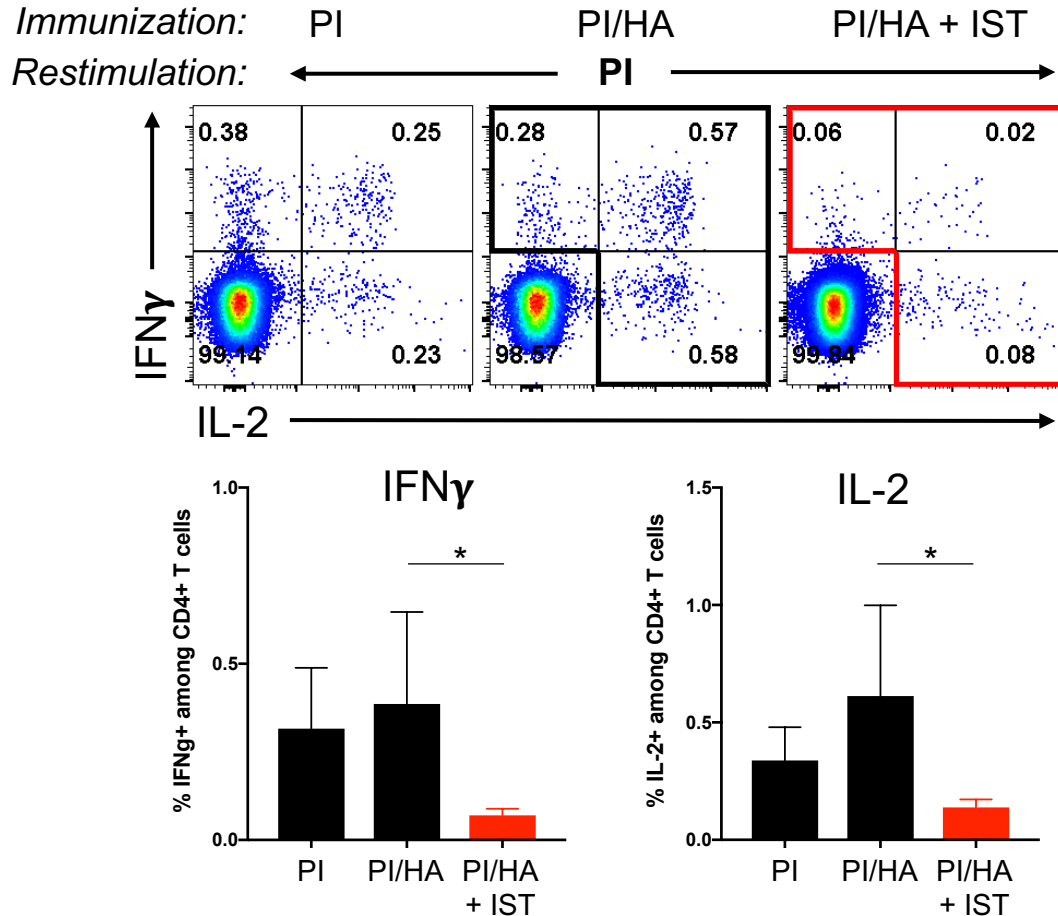
Treatment with Proins-DR4-PDL1 IST starting on Day 1 post immunization selectively suppresses expansion of PI-reactive cells without inhibiting expansion of HA-reactive cells

Significant Reduction in Proinsulin-Specific IL-2 & IFN γ Producing CD4⁺ T Cells in Blood and Spleen after Immuno-STAT Treatment

PI/HA Immunized DR4 Tg Mice
PI₇₆₋₉₀ K88S Peptide Stimulated

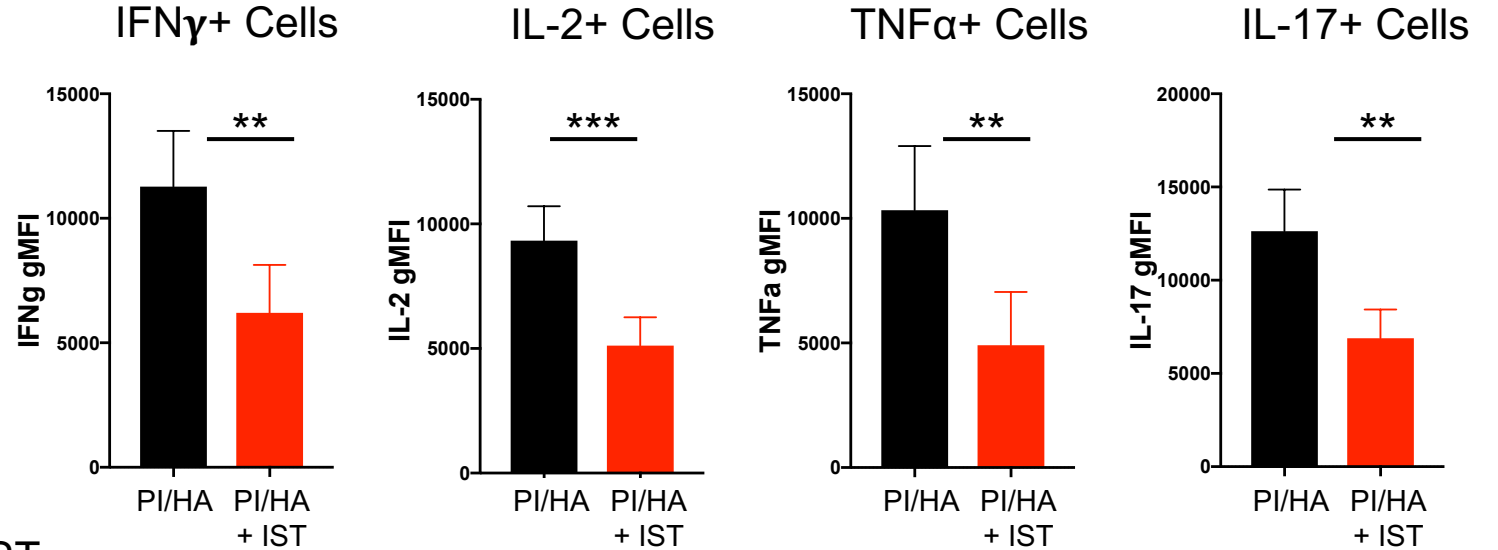
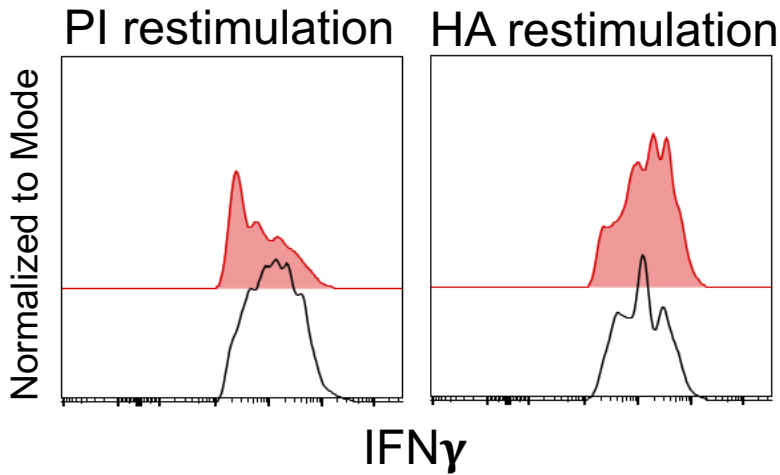


In Vivo Treatment with Proins_{76-90, K88S}/DR4-PDL1 Immuno-STAT Suppresses Cytokine Production by Proins (PI)-Specific CD4⁺ T Cells



Treatment with ProIns-DR4-PDL1 IST suppresses cytokine production of PI-specific CD4⁺ T cells (IL2, IFN γ , TNF α , IL-17) without affecting HA-reactive cells

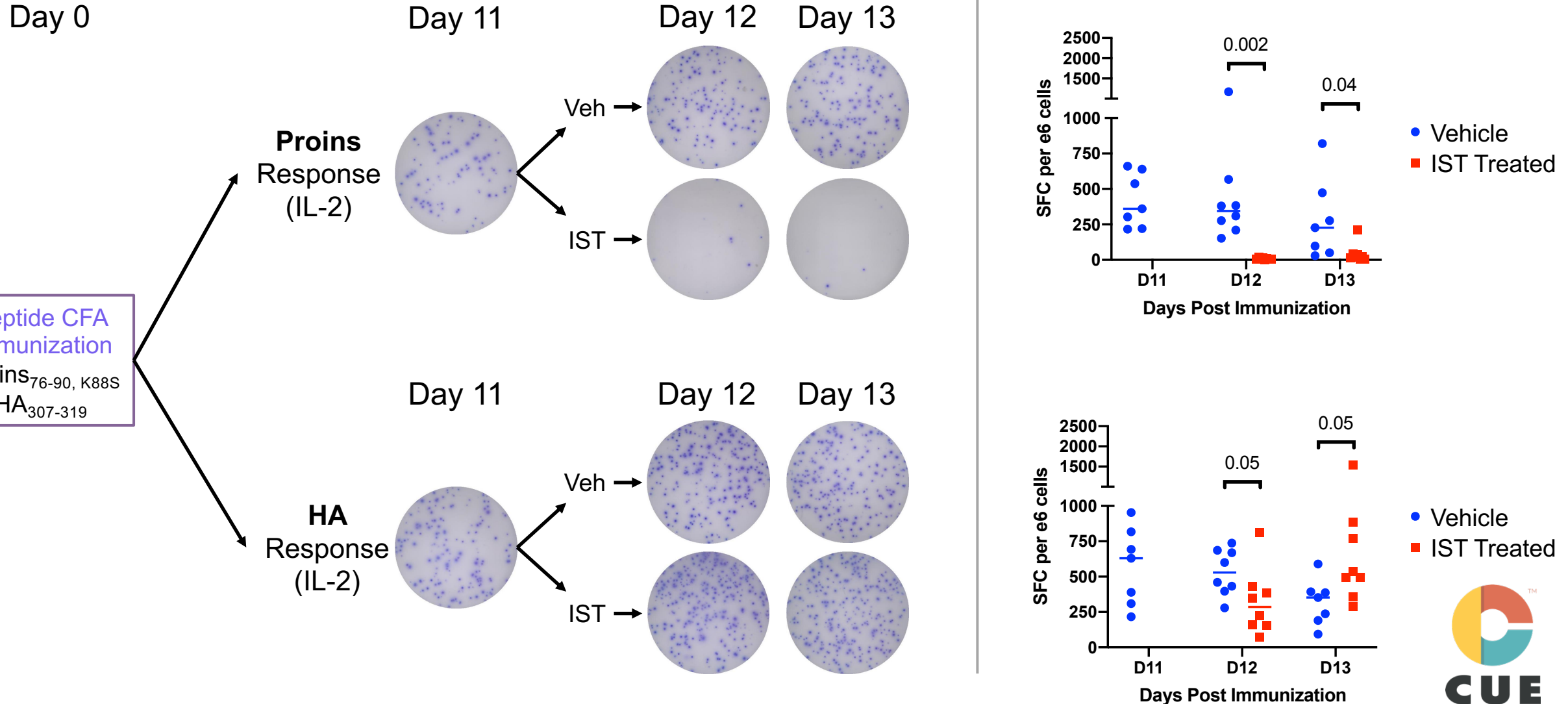
Proins (PI)-Specific CD4⁺ T Cells Produce Lower Levels of Cytokine Following Proins₇₆₋₉₀, K88S/DR4-PDL1 Immuno-STAT Treatment



PI/HA immunized PI/HA immunized + IST

Treatment with ProIns-DR4-PDL1 IST reduces the gMFI of cytokines produced by PI-specific cytokine+ CD4⁺ T cells without affecting HA-reactive cells

Late Intervention with Immuno-STAT Selectively Reduces the Number of Proins (PI) Responsive CD4⁺ T Cells In Vivo



Summary

- Successful generation of Immuno-STAT molecules comprised of Class II HLA molecules (DRB1*04) along with PD-L1 inhibitory ligand to selectively dampen autoreactive CD4⁺ T cells
- Treatment with Proins_{76-90, K88S}/DR4-PDL1 Immuno-STAT significantly suppressed expansion of Proins-specific CD4⁺ T cells both in vitro and in vivo
- The effect of Proins_{76-90, K88S}/DR4-PDL1 Immuno-STAT treatment was antigen specific as treatment did not result in a reduction of HA-specific CD4⁺ T cells
- A single in vivo administration of Proins_{76-90, K88S}/DR4-PDL1 Immuno-STAT at the peak of immunization response significantly reduced the frequency of Proins-responsive T cells