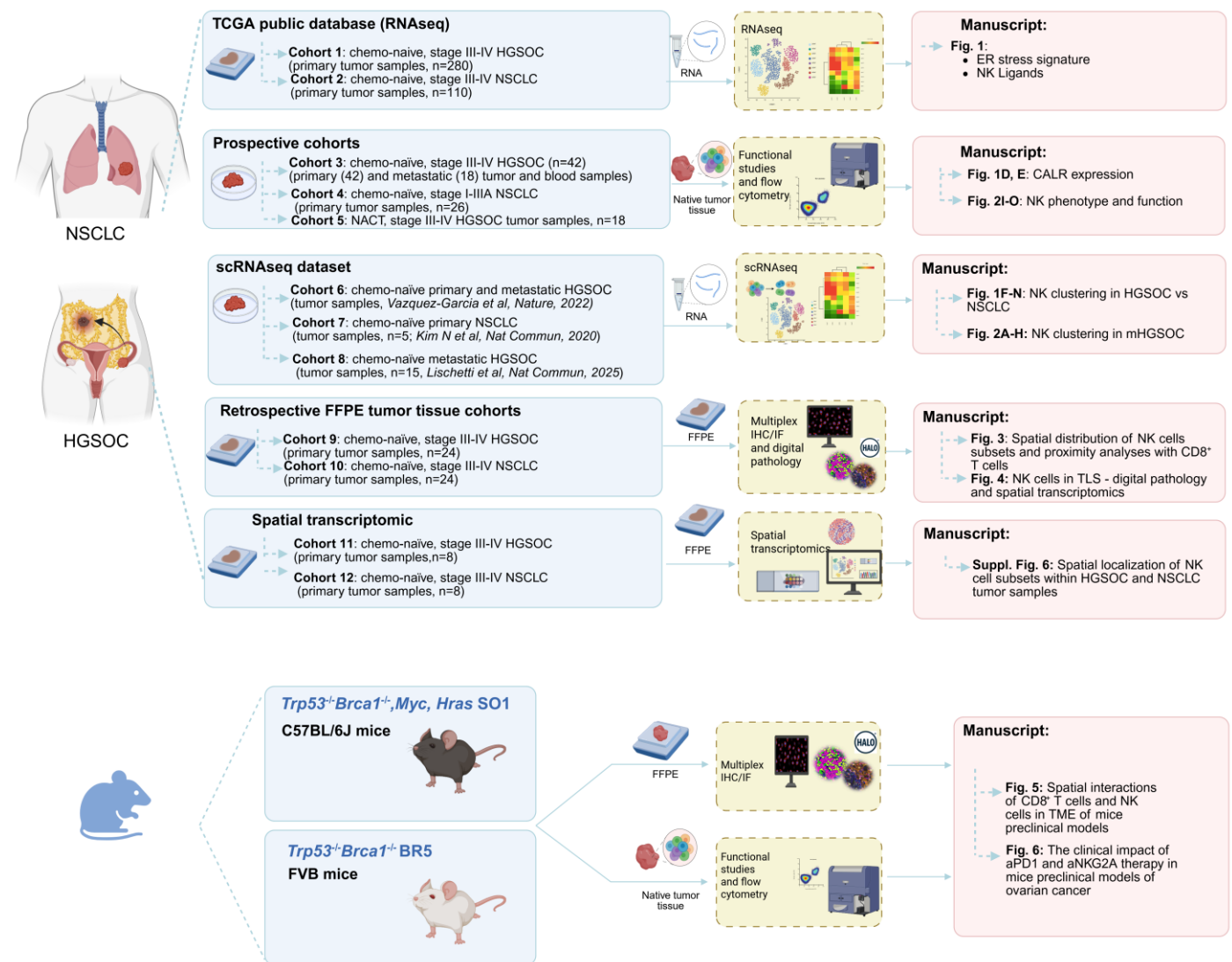


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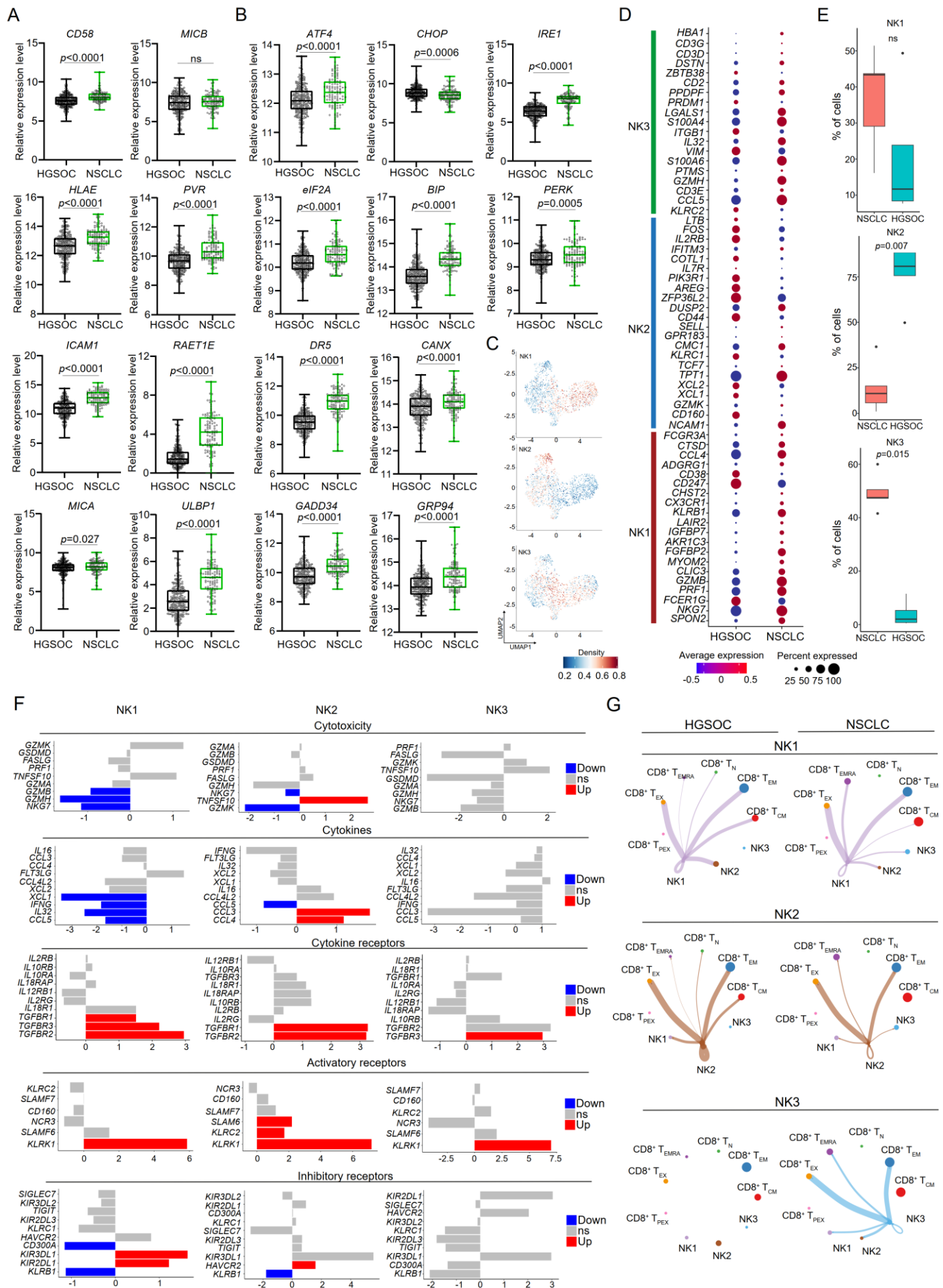
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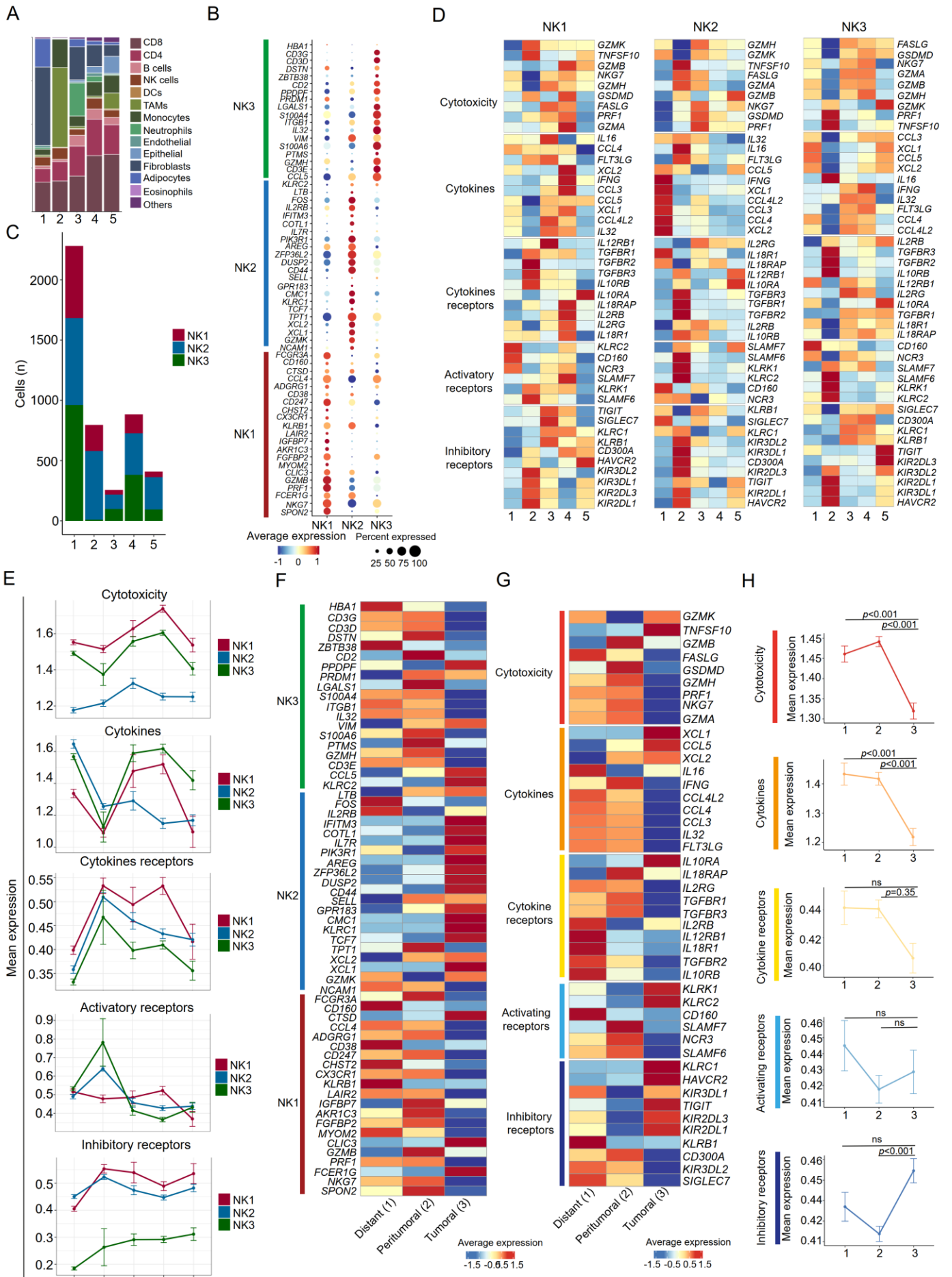


Supplementary Figure 1. Experimental design of the study.

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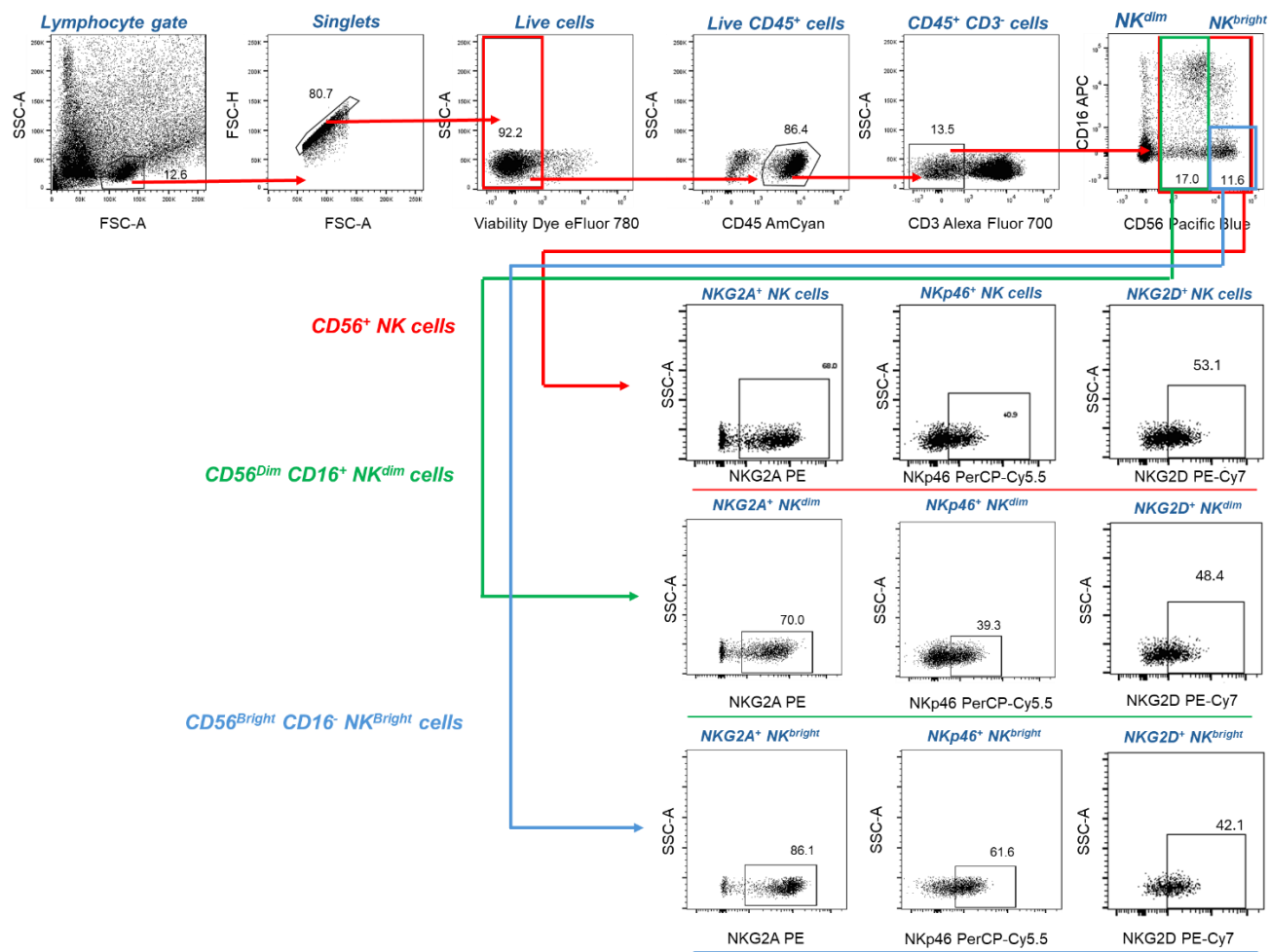


Supplementary Figure 2. Enhanced endoplasmic reticulum (ER) stress in NSCLC drives NK cell polarization toward cytotoxic NK1 and NK3 subsets in advanced NSCLC as compared to prominent exhausted NK2 subset in HGSOC. (A, B) Box plots representing relative expression of genes associated with NK cell stimulatory ligands: *CD58*, *HLA-E*, *ICAM1*, *MICA*, *MICB*, *PVR*, *RAET1E*, *ULBP1* (A) and ER stress signalling: *ATF4*, *ATF6*, *BIP*, *CANX*, *CHOP*, *EIF2A*, *GADD34*, *GRP94*, *IRE1* and *PERK* (B), determined by RNAseq in chemo-naïve HGSOC (n=280) and NSCLC (n=110) (Cohorts 1 and 2). Box plots: lower quartile, median, upper quartile; whiskers, minimum, maximum. Statistical significance was calculated by two-sided Mann–Whitney U test. *p* values are indicated. (C-E) UMAP (C) and dot plot depicting the 20 most distinguishing genes expressed for NK clusters in HGSOC and NSCLC (Cohorts 6 and 7) (D) and bar plots (E) showing the distribution of NK1, NK2 and NK3 clusters, determined by scRNAseq. Dot size and color encode the percentage of cells within a class, and the average gene expression level, respectively. Mean and SEM are shown. Statistical significance was calculated by two-sided Mann–Whitney U test. *p* values are indicated. (F) Bar plot showing log₂ fold change in genes associated with cytotoxicity, cytokines, cytokine receptors, activating receptors and inhibitory receptors between HGSOC and NSCLC (Cohorts 6 and 7), determined by scRNAseq and analyzed by two-sided Wilcoxon rank-sum test. Bars are coloured according to differential expression significance: red indicates genes significantly upregulated in HGSOC, blue indicates genes significantly downregulated in HGSOC, and grey represents non-significant (NS) changes. Only genes with adjusted *p*-values <0.05 were considered significantly different. The x-axis and y-axis show log₂ fold change values, and gene names, respectively. (G) Circular plots showing cellular interactions between NK1, NK2 and NK3 cells with intratumoral CD8⁺ T cells states, including central memory (T_{CM}), effector memory (T_{EM}), terminally differentiated (T_{EMRA}), progenitor exhausted (T_{PEX}), exhausted (T_{EX}) and naïve (T_N) in chemo-naïve NSCLC and HGSOC, determined by scRNAseq (Cohorts 6 and 7). Circle size and edge width are proportional to the number of cells in each cell cluster and the communication score between interacting cell clusters.

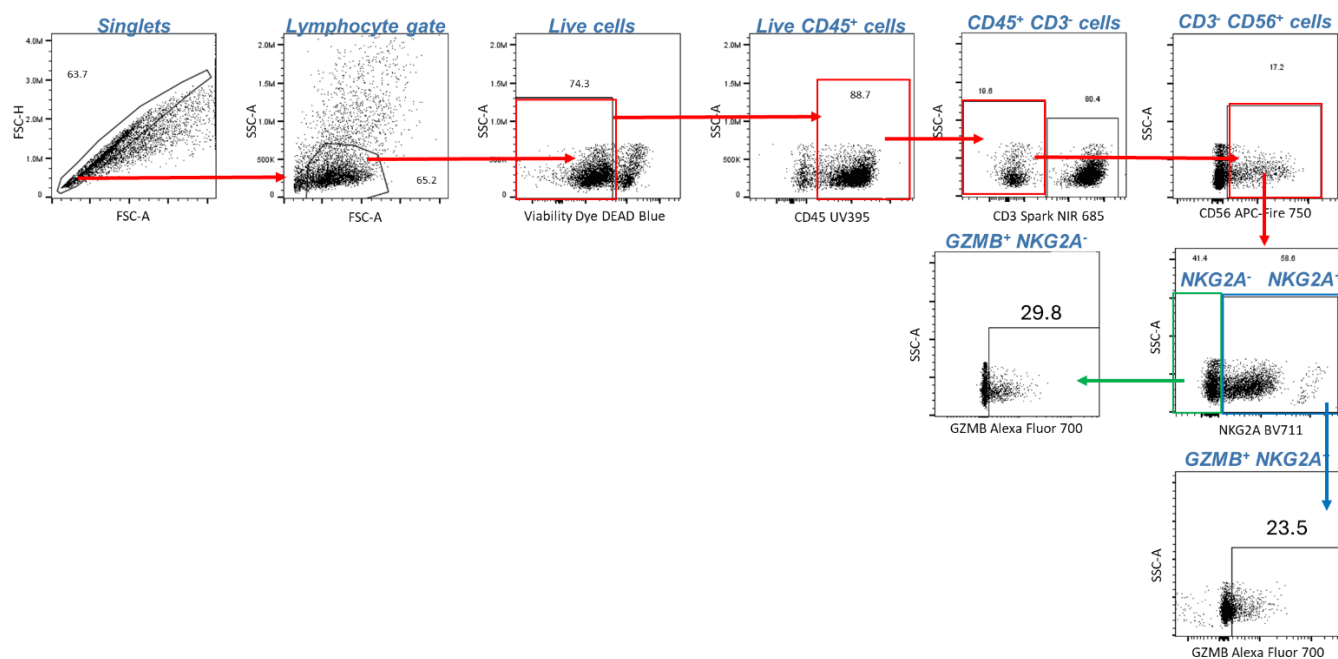


Supplementary Figure 3. NK cells from advanced HGSOC exhibit transcriptomic signatures of reduced cytotoxicity and increased expression of inhibitory receptors. (A) Stacked plot of cells passing the quality control, colored by cell type in across (1) benign omentum (n=8), (2) primary tumor (n=5) and omentum with metastases (n=7), comprising three regions: (3) macroscopically tumor-free sites distant to the metastasis, and (4) peritumoral region adjacent to the tumor, as well as (5) chemo-naïve metastatic tumors within the greater omentum (Cohorts 6 and 8). Created in BioRender. (B, C) Dot plot (B) and stacked bar plot (C) of NK1, NK2 and NK3 clusters in 5 histological compartments (described in panel A). (D, E) Heatmap (D) and line plot (E) showing the differential expression of markers of interest among NK cell subsets within 5 histological compartments (shown in panel A). The color scale is based on z-score-scaled gene expression. The z-score distribution ranges from -2 (blue) to 2 (red). (F, G) Heatmaps representing NK cluster distribution (F) and differential expression of markers of interest among NK cell subsets (G) within 3 metastatic omental regions: 1) distant = macroscopically tumor-free sites distant to the metastasis, 2) peritumoral region adjacent to the tumor and 3) chemo-naïve metastatic tumors within the greater omentum (Cohort 8). The color scale is based on z-score-scaled gene expression. The z-score distribution ranges from -2 (blue) to 2 (red). (H) Line plots of gene signatures associated with cytotoxicity, cytokines, cytokine receptors, activating receptors and inhibitory receptors expressed for the entire NK cluster within 3 histological compartments (described in panel A), determined by scRNAseq in Cohort 8. Gene expression was analyzed using the two-sided Wilcoxon rank-sum test with Bonferroni adjustment.

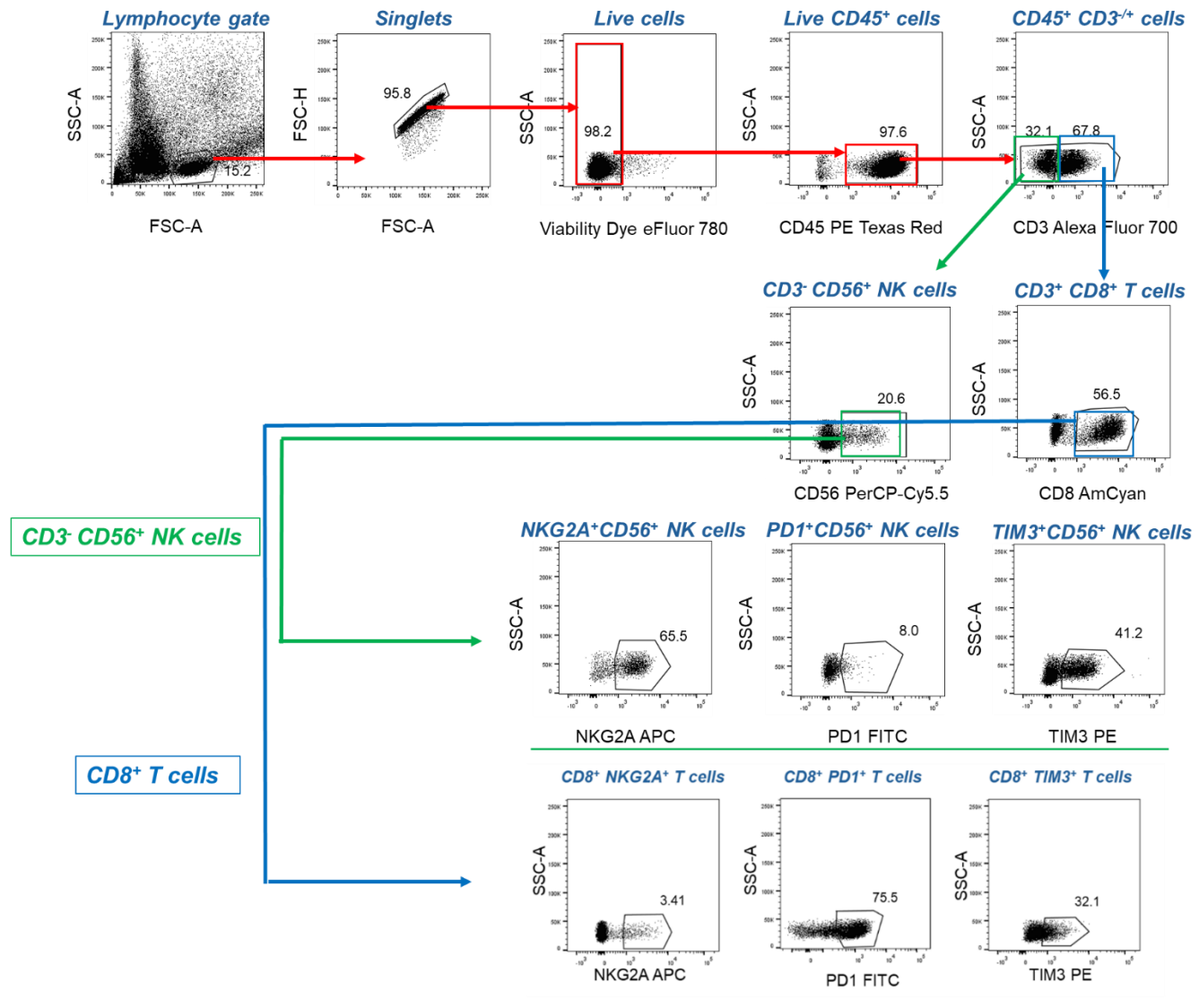
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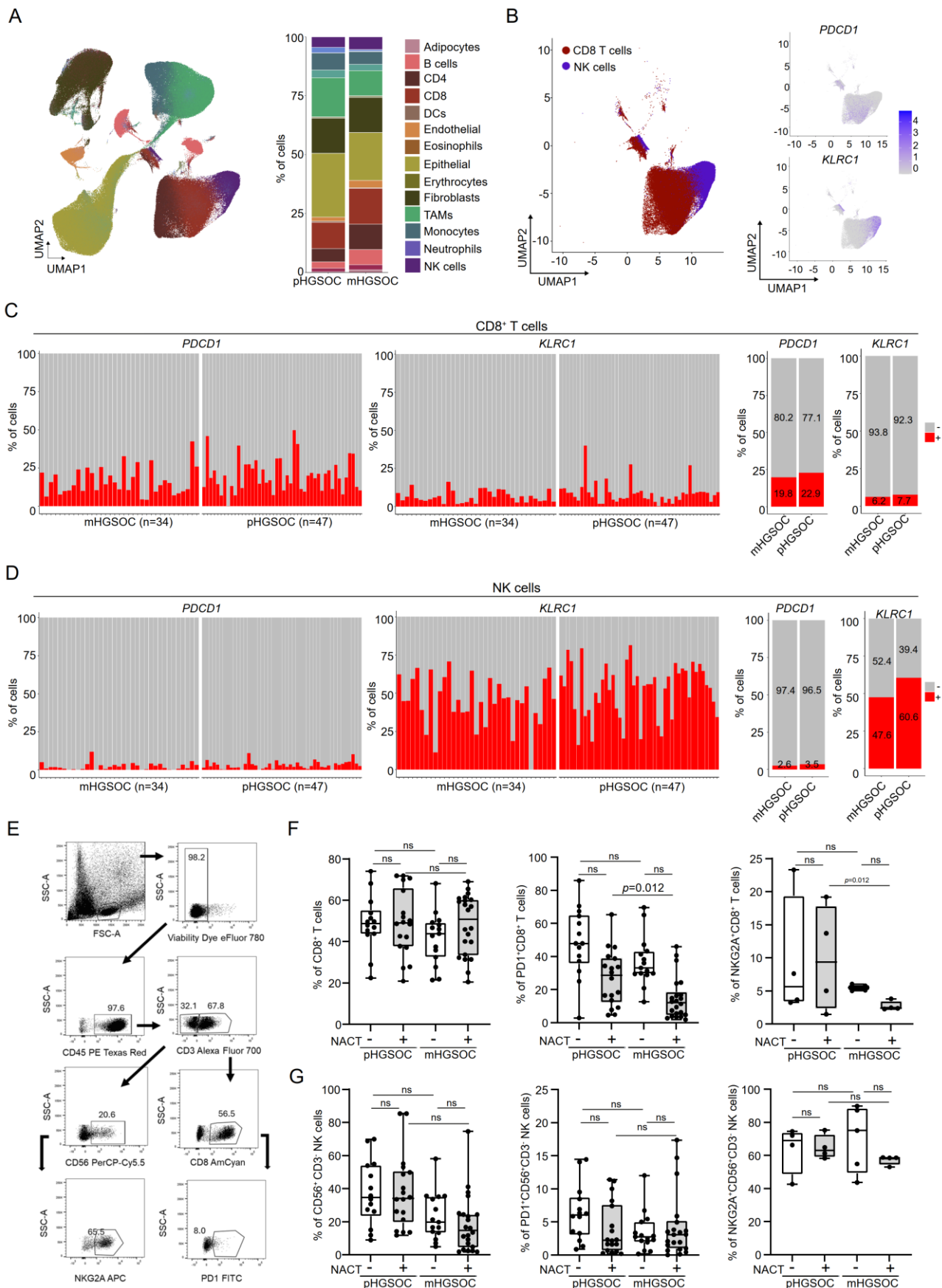
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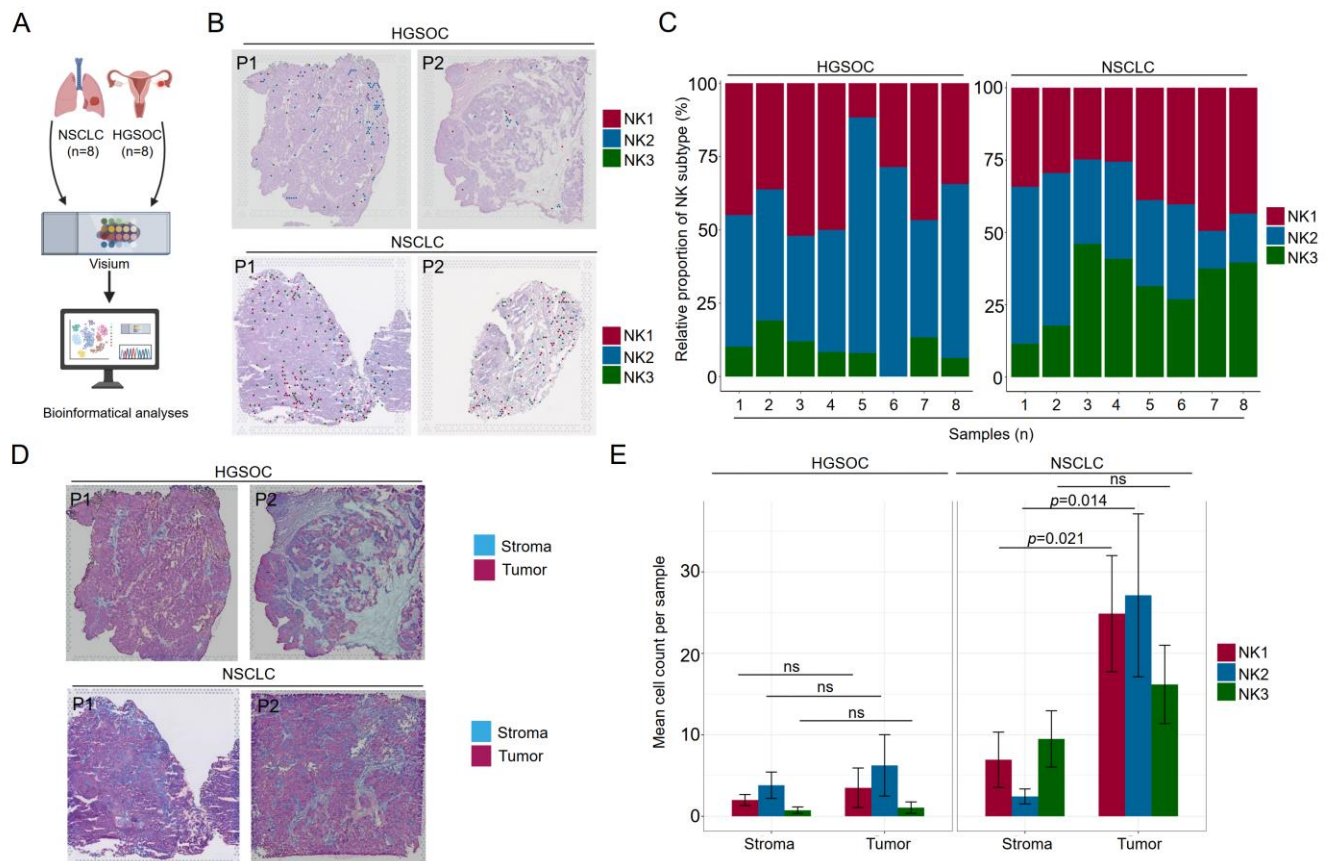


Supplementary Figure 4. Gating strategy in human tumor samples. (A) Detection of relative numbers of NKG2A⁺, NKp46⁺ and NKG2D⁺ CD56^{dim}CD16⁺ NK^{dim} cells, CD56^{bright}CD16⁻ NK^{bright} cells and CD56⁺ NK cells in human tumor samples, determined by flow cytometry. NK cells were identified as live CD45⁺, CD3⁻ lymphocytes that further expressed CD56 and CD16. This gating strategy supports analyses presented in Fig. 2J-M. (B) Detection of relative numbers of GZMB⁺ NKG2A⁺ vs NKG2A⁻ CD56⁺ NK cells. NK cells were identified as live CD45⁺, CD3⁻ lymphocytes that further expressed CD56. This gating strategy support analyses presented in Fig. 2N. (C) Detection of relative numbers of NKG2A⁺, PD1⁺ and TIM3⁺ CD45⁺CD3⁺CD8⁺ T cells and CD45⁺CD3⁻CD56⁺ NK cells in human tumor samples by flow cytometry. NK cells were identified as live CD45⁺, CD3⁻ lymphocytes that further expressed CD56. This gating strategy support analyses presented in Fig. 2O.

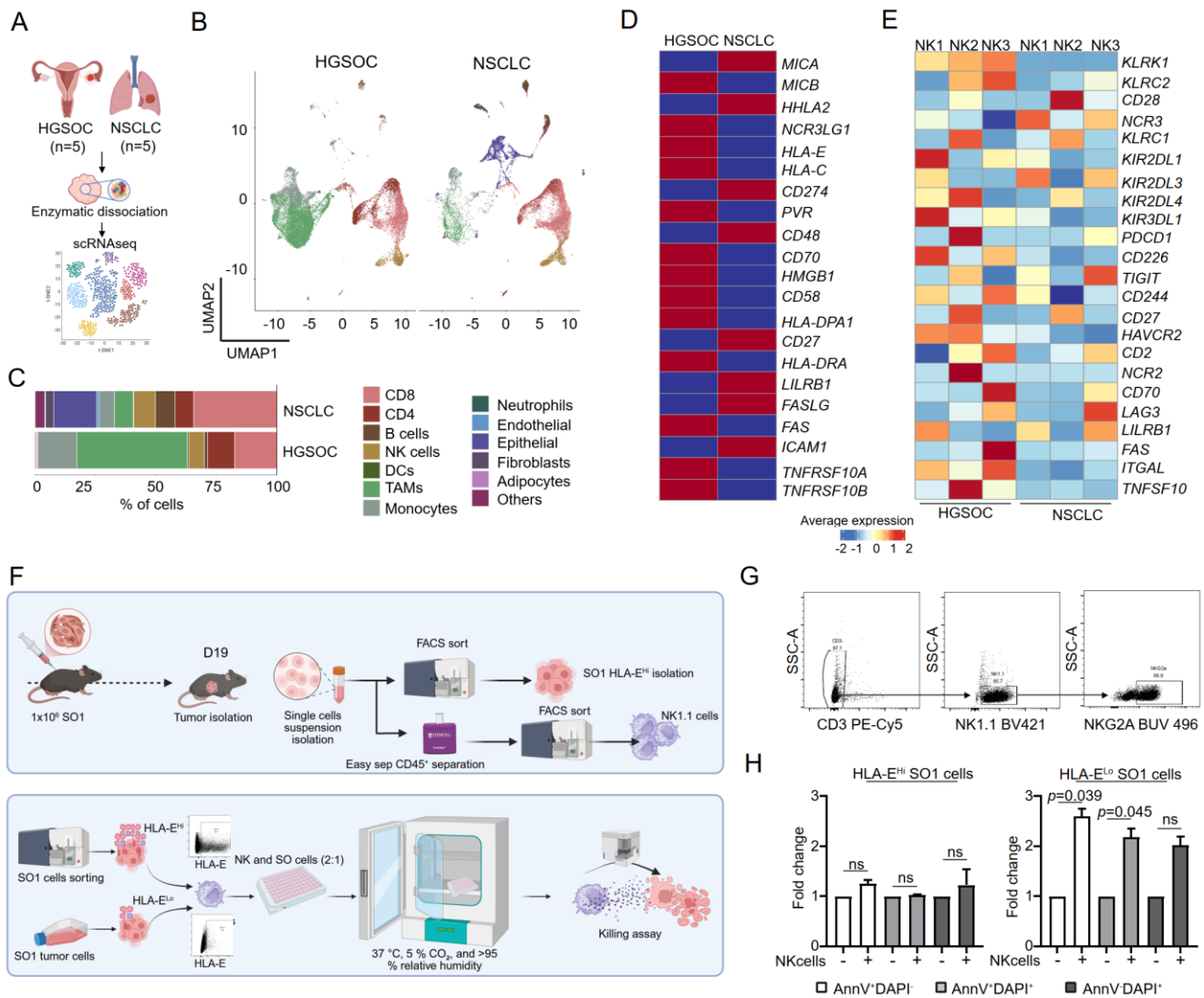


Supplementary Figure 5. Distribution of PD1⁺ and NKG2A⁺ CD8⁺ T cells and natural killer (NK cells) in chemo-naïve and neoadjuvant chemotherapy (NACT) treated primary and metastatic HGSOC samples. (A) UMAP and stack plot of cells (n=38,675) passing the quality control, coloured by cell type. (B)

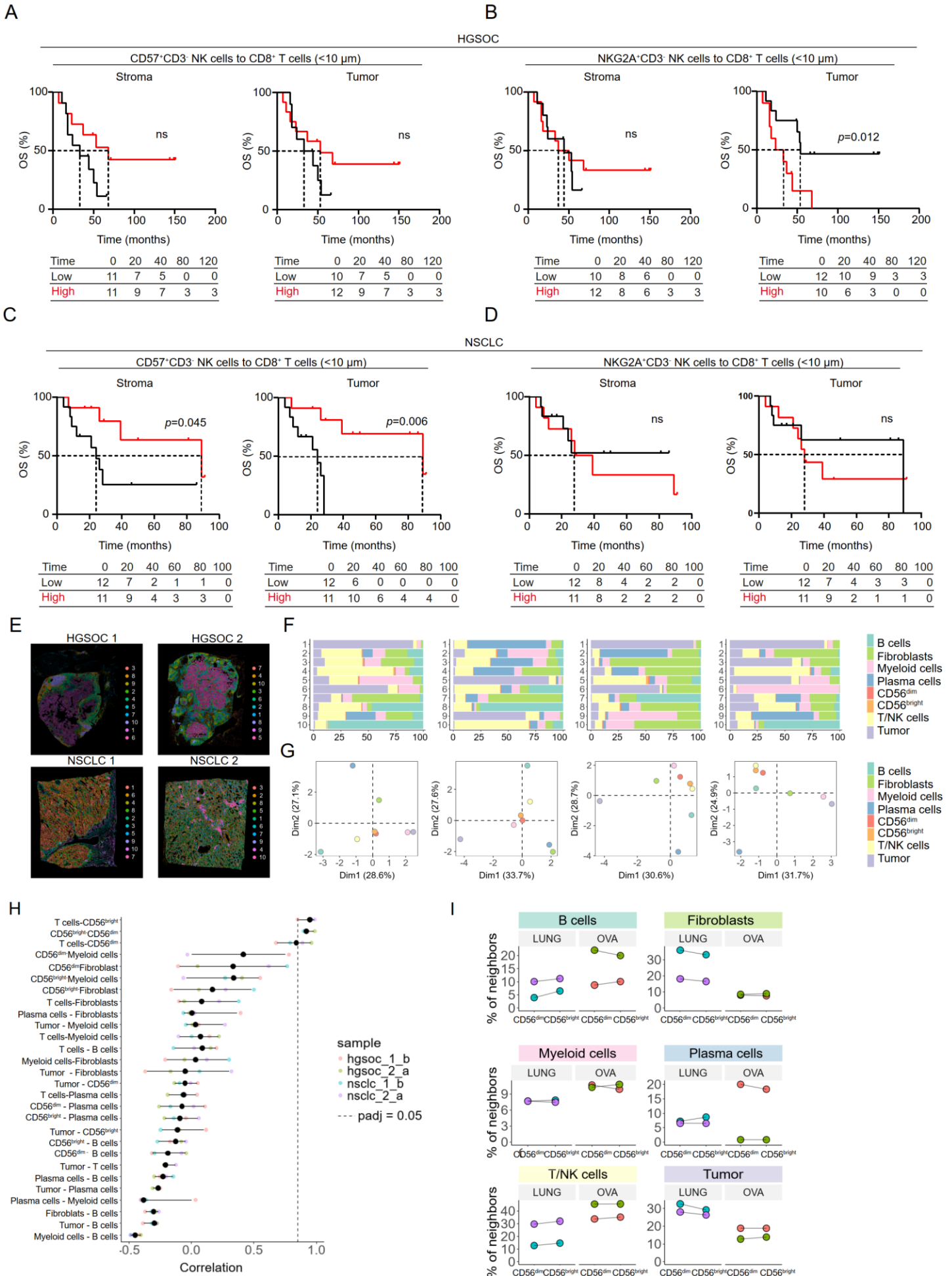
UMAP and stacked plot showing expression of *PDCD1* and *KLRC1* expression in CD8⁺ T cells and NK-cell clusters in primary (pHGSOC) (n=47) and metastatic HGSOC (mHGSOC) (n=34) samples, determined by scRNAseq (Cohort 6). (C, D) Proportion of CD8⁺ T cells (C) and NK cells (D) expressing *PDCD1* and *KLRC1* in pHGSOC and mHGSOC, determined by scRNAseq (Cohort 6). (E-G) Representative dot plot (E) and box plots showing flow cytometry analyses quantifying intratumoral CD8⁺ T cells, PD1⁺CD8⁺ and NKG2A⁺CD8⁺ T cells (F) and intratumoral CD56⁺CD3⁻ NK cells, PD1⁺CD56⁺CD3⁻ and NKG2A⁺CD56⁺CD3⁻ NK cells (G) within chemo-naïve (n=15) and NACT-treated (n=18) pHGSOC and mHGSOC (Cohorts 3 and 5). Box plots: lower quartile, median, upper quartile; whiskers, minimum, maximum. Statistical significance was calculated by two-sided Mann–Whitney U test. p values are indicated.



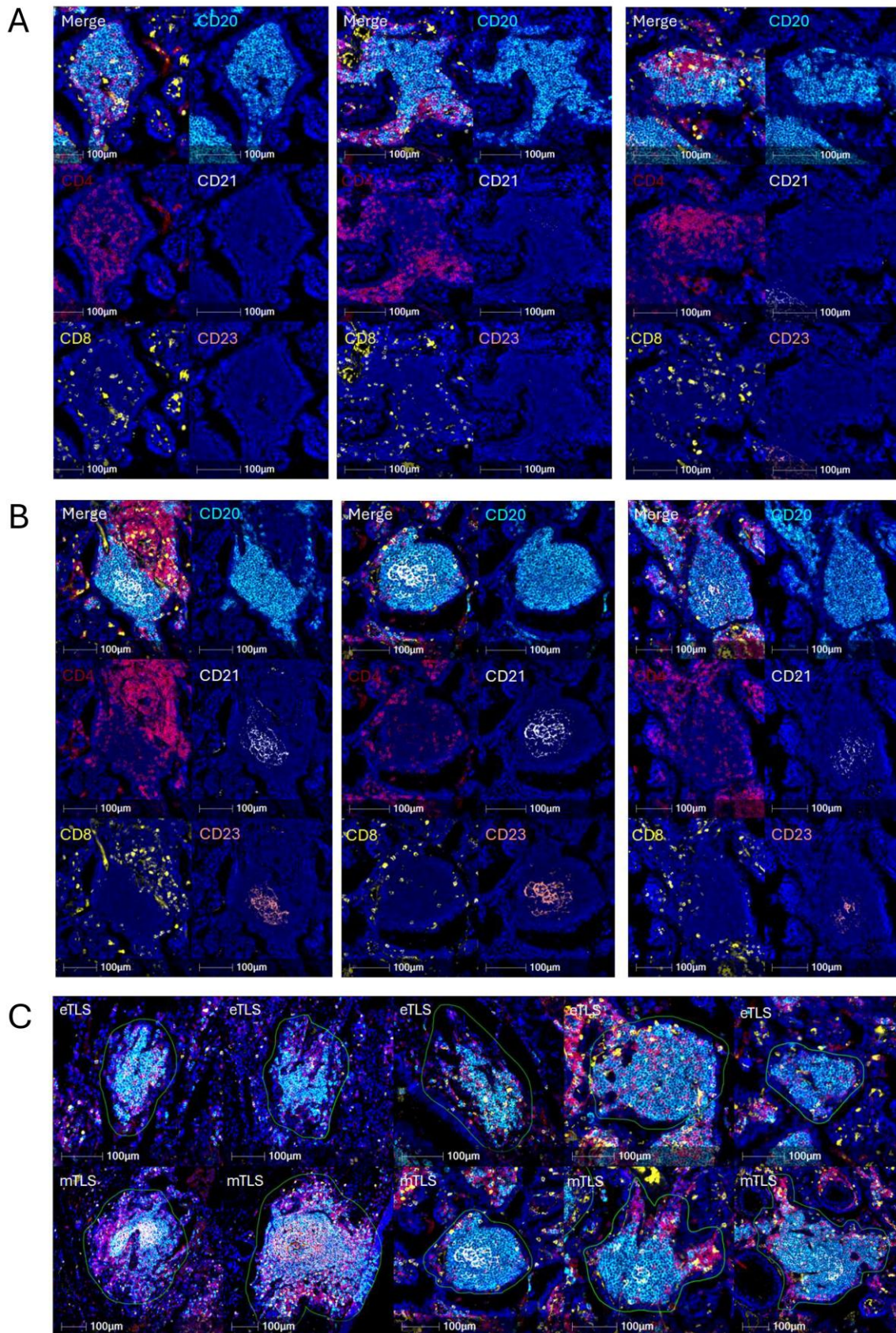
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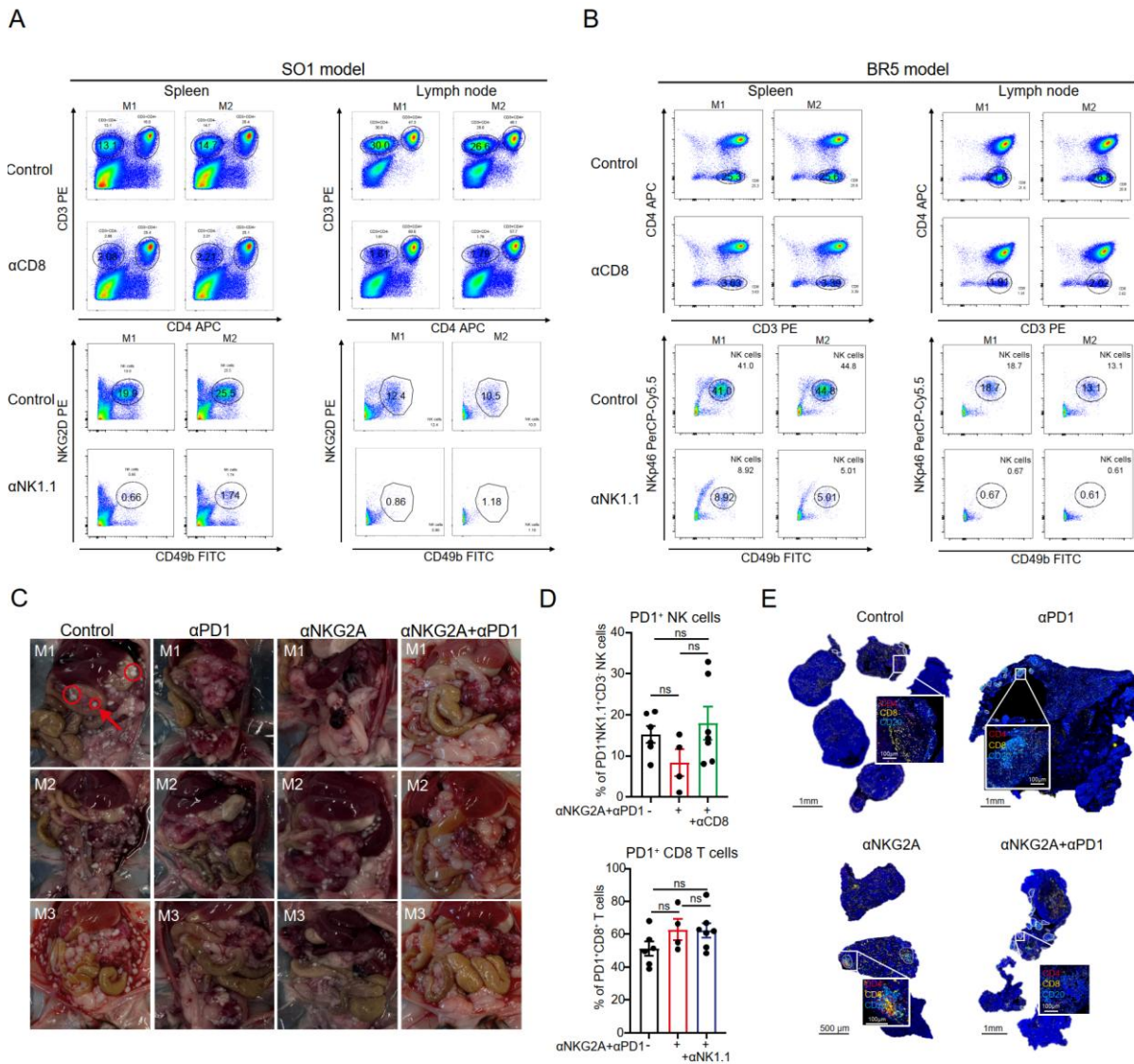
Supplementary Figure 7. NKG2A–HLA-E axis as a therapeutic checkpoint in HGSOc. (A) Experimental workflow of scRNAseq on tumor samples of HGSOc (n = 5) and NSCLC (n = 5) patients (Cohorts 6 and 7). Created in BioRender. Palich Fucikova, J. (2026) <https://BioRender.com/kr26vkn>. (B, C) UMAP and stacked plot of cells passing quality control, coloured by cell type. (D, E) Heatmaps showing differential expression of NK ligands in epithelial clusters (D) and corresponding NK receptors across NK cell subsets in HGSOc and NSCLC (E), shown in panel A. Expression values are z-score scaled. (F) Experimental workflow for NK cell killing assay using the SO1 preclinical ovarian cancer model. NK1.1⁺ cells were isolated from SO1 tumors by FACS. SO1 cell line (HLA-E^{Lo}) and primary SO1 cells (HLA-E^{Hi}) were used as target cells. Created in BioRender. Palich Fucikova, J. (2026) <https://BioRender.com/jr4tdf1>. (G) Representative dot plot showing purity and NKG2A expression of isolated NK1.1⁺ cells from SO1 tumors. (H) Bar plot showing percentage of early (AnnV⁺/DAPI⁻) and late apoptotic (AnnV⁺/DAPI⁺), and necrotic (AnnV⁻/DAPI⁺) SO1 cells with low versus high HLA-E expression after incubation with NK1.1⁺ cells, determined by flow cytometry. Statistical significance was calculated by two-sided paired t-test; *p* values indicated.



Supplementary Figure 8. The interplay between CD8⁺ T and NK cells subsets within HGSOC and NSCLC tumor samples. (A-D) Overall survival (OS) of chemo-naïve HGSOC (n=22) (A, B) and NSCLC (n=23) (Cohorts 9 and 10) (C, D), upon stratification based on median frequency of CD8⁺ T cells in close proximity (<10 μ m) to CD57⁺CD3⁻ and NKG2A⁺CD3⁻ NK cells. Survival curves were estimated by the Kaplan–Meier method, and differences between groups were evaluated using the log-rank test. The number of patients at risk is reported. (E) Spatial organization of cells in the HGSOC and NSCLC samples as determined by Xenium in situ (Cohorts 9 and 10). Niches were defined based on the composition of 30 nearest spatial neighbors using the *BuildNicheAssay* function in *Seurat*. (F) Bar plots showing cell type compositions within the niches presented in E. (G) Principal component analysis (PCA) of niche distributions across cell types. (H) Pairwise correlations of niche distributions between cell types. Each colored dot represents one sample; large dots indicate mean values with 5–95% confidence intervals. Cell type pairs are ordered by mean correlation. Dashed line marks the significance threshold (adjusted $p = 0.05$). (I) Spatial neighbors of NK^{dim} and NK2^{bright} cells. Each dot represents the frequency of a given cell type within 50 μ m of an NK1 or NK2 cell centroid. NK1–NK2 pairs from the same sample are connected by lines.

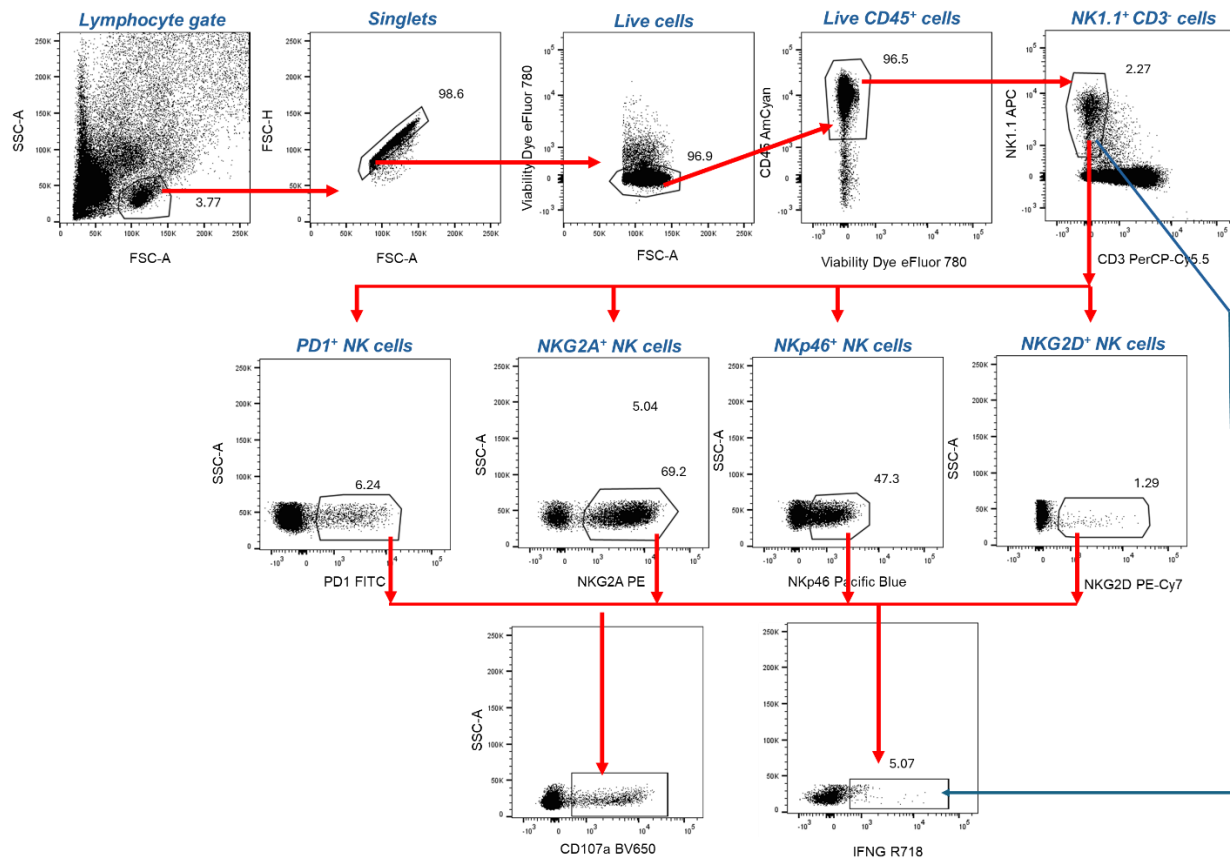


Supplementary Figure 9. Spatial distribution of eTLS and mTLS. (A, B) Representative images of eTLS (A) and mTLS (B) using immunofluorescence staining of CD4, CD8, CD20, CD21, CD23, DC-LAMP and GZMB (Immunofluorescence panel 2). (C) Representative image of TLS area quantification in HALO software. Scale bar 100 μm.

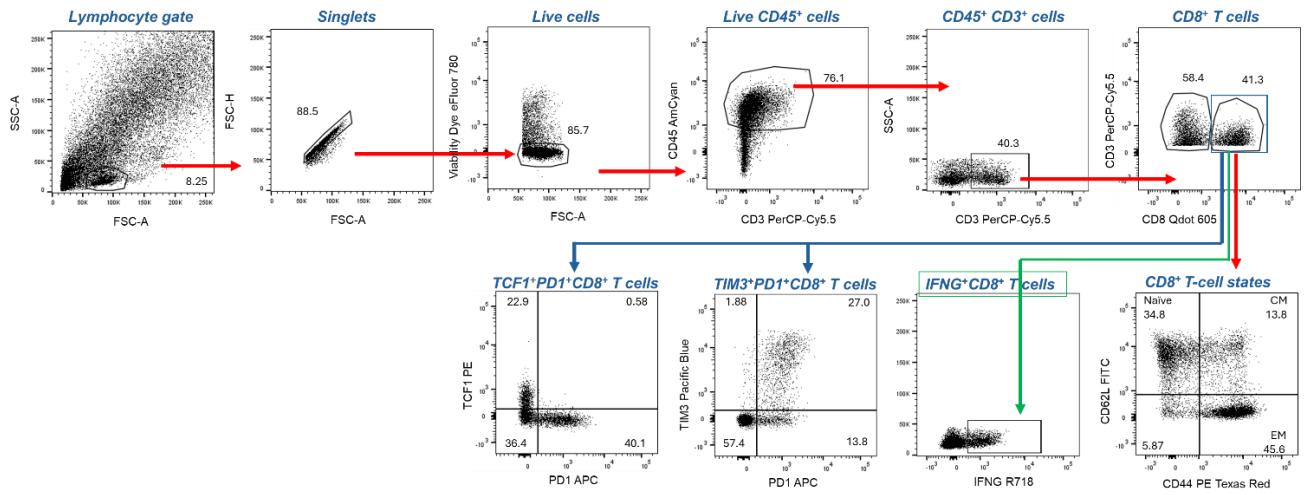


Supplementary Figure 10. The impact of NK cell and CD8⁺ T cell depletion on anti-tumor immunity development in mouse models of ovarian carcinoma. (A, B) Representative dot plots of CD8⁺ T cells and NK1.1⁺CD3⁺CD45⁺ NK cells in spleen and lymph nodes before and after α NK1.1 and α CD8 depletion in SO1 (A) and BR5 (B) experimental models. (C) Representative necropsy images showing macroscopic peritoneal metastatic lesions from three individual SO1-bearing mice (indicated as M1–M3) treated with α NKG2A, α PD1, or the combination therapy. Red arrows indicate metastatic tumor nodules. (D) Bar plot showing percentage of PD1⁺CD45⁺CD3⁺NK1.1⁺ NK cells and percentage of PD1⁺CD8⁺ T cells after combined α PD1 and α NKG2A therapy following CD8⁺ T cells (α CD8) and NK cells (α NK1.1) depletion, respectively, determined by flow cytometry. Mean and SEM are shown. Statistical significance was calculated by two-sided Mann–Whitney U test. *p* values are indicated. (E) Representative immunostaining for CD4, CD8 and CD20 showing distribution of tertiary lymphoid structures (TLS) within control, α PD1, α NKG2A and combined α PD1+ α NKG2A treated SO1 ovarian tumors. Scale bars 100 μ m, 500 μ m and 1mm.

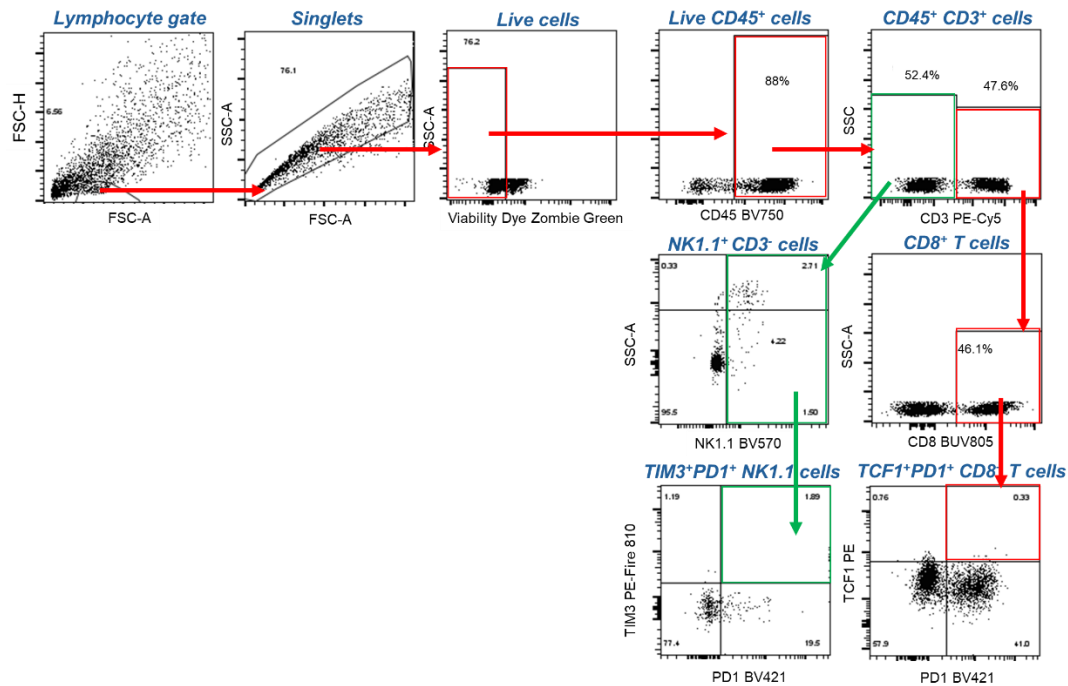
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Supplementary Figure 11. Gating strategy in murine tumor samples. (A) Detection of relative numbers of PD1⁺, NKG2A⁺, NKp46⁺ and NKG2D⁺ NK1.1⁺CD3⁻CD45⁺ NK cells; frequency of IFNG⁺ and CD107a⁺ PD1⁺, NKG2A⁺, NKp46⁺ and NKG2D⁺ NK1.1⁺CD3⁻CD45⁺ NK cells, respectively. This gating strategy supports analyses presented in Fig. 5H-L and in Fig. 6F-G, I-J. (B) Detection of relative numbers of PD1⁺, TCF1⁺PD1⁺, TIM3⁺PD1⁺ CD8⁺ T cells and frequency of CD44⁺CD62L⁻ effector memory (T_{EM}), CD44⁺CD62L⁺ central memory (T_{CM}) and CD44⁻CD62L⁺ naïve (T_N) CD8⁺ T cells. This gating strategy supports analyses presented in Fig. 5M-P and in Fig. 6C-E, H, K. (C) Detection of relative numbers of TIM3⁺PD1⁺NK1.1⁺CD3⁻CD45⁺ NK cells and TCF1⁺PD1⁺ CD8⁺ T cells. This gating strategy supports analyses presented in Fig. 6N. Percentage of cells in each gate is reported and detailed gating strategy is shown.

Supplementary Tables

Supplementary Table 1. Gene signatures related to NK-cell activating ligands and ER stress response.

Unless specified, gene and protein nomenclature is official as per PubMed Gene (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gene>).

Protein	Gene name	Full name
NK cell activating ligands		
CD58	<i>CD58</i>	CD58 molecule
ICAM1	<i>ICAM1</i>	intercellular adhesion molecule 1
MICA	<i>MICA</i>	MHC class I polypeptide–related sequence A
RAET1E	<i>RAET1E</i>	retinoic acid early transcript 1E
ULBP1	<i>ULBP1</i>	UL16 binding protein 1
HLA-E	<i>HLA-E</i>	major histocompatibility complex, class I, E
CD155	<i>PVR</i>	PVR cell adhesion molecule
ER stress response		
CHOP	<i>DDIT3</i>	DNA damage inducible transcript 3
GRP94	<i>HSP90B1</i>	heat shock protein 90 beta family member 1
BIP	<i>HSPA5</i>	heat shock protein family A (Hsp70) member 5
ATF4	<i>ATF4</i>	activating transcription factor 4
ATF6	<i>ATF6</i>	activating transcription factor 6
DR5	<i>TNFRSF10B</i>	TNF receptor superfamily member 10b
CANX	<i>CANX</i>	calnexin
eIF2α	<i>EIF2S1</i>	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 2 subunit alpha
PERK	<i>EIF2AK3</i>	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 2 alpha kinase 3
IRE1α	<i>ERN1</i>	endoplasmic reticulum to nucleus signaling 1
GADD34	<i>PPP1R15A</i>	protein phosphatase 1 regulatory subunit 15A

Supplementary Table 2. Gene signatures related to NK1, 2 and 3 clusters. Unless specified, gene and protein nomenclature is official as per PubMed Gene (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gene>).

Protein	Gene name	Full name
NK1 cells gene signature		
CD16	<i>FCGR3A</i>	Fc gamma receptor IIIa
CD160	<i>CD160</i>	CD160 molecule
CLN10	<i>CTSD</i>	cathepsin D
CCL4	<i>CCL4</i>	C-C motif chemokine ligand 4
GPR56	<i>ADGRG1</i>	adhesion G protein-coupled receptor G1
CD38	<i>CD38</i>	CD38 molecule
CD3 ZETA	<i>CD247</i>	CD247 molecule
GST2	<i>CHST2</i>	carbohydrate sulfotransferase 2
CX3CR1	<i>CX3CR1</i>	C-X3-C motif chemokine receptor 1
CD161	<i>KLRB1</i>	killer cell lectin like receptor B1
CD306	<i>LAIR2</i>	leukocyte associated immunoglobulin like receptor 2
FSTL2	<i>IGFBP7</i>	insulin like growth factor binding protein 7
DDX	<i>AKR1C3</i>	aldo-keto reductase family 1 member C3
FGFBP2	<i>FGFBP2</i>	fibroblast growth factor binding protein 2
TTNAP	<i>MYOM2</i>	myomesin 2
CLIC3	<i>CLIC3</i>	chlorin intracellular channel 3
GZMB	<i>GZMB</i>	granzyme B
PRF1	<i>PRF1</i>	perforin 1
CD23	<i>FCER1G</i>	Fc epsilon receptor Ig
NKG7	<i>NKG7</i>	natural killer cell granule protein 7
SPON2	<i>SPON2</i>	spondin 2
NK2 cells gene signature		
TNFC	<i>LTB</i>	lymphotoxin beta
AP-1	<i>FOS</i>	Fos proto-oncogene
IL2RB	<i>IL2RB</i>	interleukin 2 receptor B
IFITM3	<i>IFITM3</i>	interferon induced transmembrane protein 3
CLP	<i>COTL1</i>	coactosin like F-actin binding protein 1
IL7R	<i>IL7R</i>	interleukin 7 receptor
AGM7	<i>PIK3R1</i>	phosphoinositide-3-kinase regulatory subunit 1
AREG	<i>AREG</i>	amphiregulin
BRF2	<i>ZFP36L2</i>	ZFP36 like 2 zinc finger CCCH-type
PAC-1	<i>DUSP2</i>	dual specificity phosphatase 2
CD44	<i>CD44</i>	CD44 molecule
CD62L	<i>SELL</i>	selectin L
EBI2	<i>GPR183</i>	G protein-coupled receptor 183
CMC1	<i>CMC1</i>	C-X9-C motif containing 1
NKG2A	<i>KLRC1</i>	killer cell lectin like receptor C1
TCF1	<i>TCF7</i>	transcription factor 7
TCTP	<i>TPT1</i>	tumor protein translationally controlled 1
XCL2	<i>XCL2</i>	X-C motif chemokine ligand 2
XCL1	<i>XCL1</i>	X-C motif chemokine ligand 1
GZMK	<i>GZMK</i>	granzyme K
CD56	<i>NCAM1</i>	neural cell adhesion molecule 1
NK3 cells gene signature		
HBA1	<i>HBA1</i>	hemoglobin subunit alpha 1
CD3G	<i>CD3G</i>	CD3 gamma subunit of T-cell receptor complex
CD3D	<i>CD3D</i>	CD3 delta subunit of T-cell receptor complex
DSTN	<i>DSTN</i>	destrin, actin depolymerizing factor
ZNF921	<i>ZBTB38</i>	zinc finger and BTB domain containing 38 Homo sapiens
CD2	<i>CD2</i>	CD2 molecule
PPDPF	<i>PPDPF</i>	pancreatic progenitor cell differentiation and proliferation factor
Blimp-1	<i>PRDM1</i>	PR domain containing 1, with ZNF domain

GAL1	<i>LGALS1</i>	galectin 1
MTS1	<i>S100A4</i>	S100 calcium binding protein A4
CD29	<i>ITGB1</i>	Integrin subunit beta 1
IL32	<i>IL32</i>	interleukin 32
VIM	<i>VIM</i>	vimentin
S100A6	<i>S100A6</i>	S100 calcium binding protein A6
ParaT	<i>PTMS</i>	parathymosin
GZMH	<i>GZMH</i>	granzym H
CD3E	<i>CD3E</i>	CD3 antigen, epsilon polypeptide
CCL5	<i>CCL5</i>	C-C motif chemokine ligand 5
NKG2C	<i>KLRC2</i>	killer cell lectin like receptor C2

Supplementary Table 3. Gene signature related to NK-cell phenotypic and functional properties. Unless specified, gene and protein nomenclature is official as per PubMed Gene (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gene>).

Protein	Gene name	Full name
Cytotoxicity gene signature		
PRF1	<i>PRF1</i>	perforin 1
GZMH	<i>GZMH</i>	granzym H
GZMB	<i>GZMB</i>	granzym B
NKG7	<i>NKG7</i>	natural killer cell granule protein 7
FASLG	<i>FASLG</i>	Fas ligand
DF5L	<i>GSDMD</i>	gasdermin D
GZMA	<i>GZMA</i>	granzym A
GZMK	<i>GZMK</i>	granzym K
TRAIL	<i>TNFSF10</i>	TNF superfamily member 10
Cytokines gene signature		
FLT3LG	<i>FLT3LG</i>	fms related receptor tyrosine kinase 3 ligand
XCL2	<i>XCL2</i>	X-C motif chemokine ligand 2
XCL1	<i>XCL1</i>	X-C motif chemokine ligand 1
IFNG	<i>IFNG</i>	interferon gamma
CCL4L2	<i>CCL4L2</i>	C-C motif chemokine ligand 4 like 2
CCL4	<i>CCL4</i>	C-C motif chemokine ligand 4
CCL3	<i>CCL3</i>	C-C motif chemokine ligand 3
IL16	<i>IL16</i>	interleukin 16
CCL5	<i>CCL5</i>	C-C motif chemokine ligand 5
IL32	<i>IL32</i>	interleukin 32
Cytokine receptors gene signature		
TGFR-1	<i>TGFBRI</i>	transforming growth factor beta receptor 1
TGFR-2	<i>TGFBRI2</i>	transforming growth factor beta receptor 2
TGFR-3	<i>TGFBRI3</i>	transforming growth factor beta receptor 3
IL10 Receptor β	<i>IL10RB</i>	interleukin 10 receptor subunit beta
IL12 Receptor β 1	<i>IL12RB1</i>	interleukin 12 receptor subunit beta 1
IL2 Receptor γ	<i>IL2RG</i>	interleukin 2 receptor subunit gamma
IL10 Receptor α	<i>IL10RA</i>	interleukin 10 receptor subunit alpha
IL18RAP	<i>IL18RAP</i>	interleukin 18 receptor accessory protein
IL18 Receptor 1	<i>IL18RI</i>	interleukin 18 receptor 1
IL2 Receptor β	<i>IL2RB</i>	interleukin 2 receptor beta
Activating receptors gene signature		
CD160	<i>CD160</i>	CD160 molecule
NKp30	<i>NCR3</i>	natural cytotoxicity triggering receptor 3
NKG2C	<i>KLRC2</i>	killer cell lectin like receptor C2
SLAMF7	<i>SLAMF7</i>	signaling lymphocyte activation molecule 7
NKG2D	<i>KLRC1</i>	killer cell lectin like receptor K1
SLAMF6	<i>SLAMF6</i>	signaling lymphocyte activation molecule 6
Inhibitory receptors gene signature		
TIM3	<i>HAVCR2</i>	Hepatitis A virus cellular receptor 2
CD158E1	<i>KIR3DL1</i>	Killer cell immunoglobulin like receptor, 3 Ig domains and long cytoplasmic tail 1
CD158A	<i>KIR2DL1</i>	Killer cell immunoglobulin like receptor, 2 Ig domains and long cytoplasmic tail 1
TIGIT	<i>TIGIT</i>	T cell immunoreceptor with Ig and ITIM domains
CD300A	<i>CD300A</i>	CD300a molecule
CD158K	<i>KIR3DL2</i>	killer cell immunoglobulin like receptor, three Ig domains and long cytoplasmic tail 2
CD158B2	<i>KIR2DL3</i>	killer cell immunoglobulin like receptor, two Ig domains and long cytoplasmic tail 3
NKG2A	<i>KLRC1</i>	killer cell lectin like receptor C1
CD161	<i>KLRB1</i>	killer cell lectin like receptor B1
SIGLEC7	<i>SIGLEC7</i>	sialic acid binding Ig like lectin

Supplementary Table 4. The main clinicopathological characteristics of 42 chemo-naïve HGSOc (Cohort 3) and 18 neoadjuvant chemotherapy-treated HGSOc (Cohort 5) patients involved in the prospective study group.

Variable	Cohort 3 (n=42)	Cohort 5 (n=18)
Age		
Mean Age	62	64
Range	30-78	36-77
pTNM stage		
Stage III	38 (90%)	18 (100%)
IIIA	9 (21%)	0 (0%)
IIIB	6 (14%)	3 (17%)
IIIC	23 (55%)	15 (83%)
Stage IV	4 (10%)	0 (0%)
Tumor localization		
P-TME	n=42	n=18
M-TME	n=18	n=18
Neoadjuvant chemotherapy		
CBDCA+PTX	0 (0%)	18 (100%)
3x cycles	0 (0%)	18 (100%)
4x cycles	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Non therapy	42 (100%)	0 (0%)

Abbreviations. CBDCA, carboplatin; PTX, paclitaxel; P-TME, primary tumor samples; M-TME, metastatic tumor samples

Supplementary Table 5. The main clinicopathological characteristics of 26 chemo-naïve NSCLC (Cohort 4) patients involved in the prospective study group.

Variable	Cohort 4 (n=26)
Age	
Mean Age	67
Range	39-81
Stage	
Stage IA	3 (12%)
Stage IB	6 (23%)
Stage IIB	6 (23%)
Stage IIIA	11 (42%)
Histology	
ADC	16 (61%)
SCC	5 (19%)
LCC	3 (12%)
ADC/LCC	2 (8%)
Sex	
Female	4
Male	20
NA	2

Abbreviations. ADC, adenocarcinoma; SCC, squamous cell carcinoma; NA, not available

Supplementary Table 6. The main clinicopathological characteristics of 24 HGSOC (Cohort 9) and 24 NSCLC (Cohort 10) patients from the retrospective study group.

Database lock for this study was performed on 1 January 2023 to finalize the dataset for analysis.

Variable	Cohort 9 (n=24 HGSOC)
Age	
Mean Age	58
Range	38-78
Sex	
Female (F)	24 (100%)
Histology	
HGSOC	24 (100%)
pTNM stage	
Stage III	21 (87,5%)
IIIA	1 (4%)
IIIB	3 (12.5%)
IIIC	17 (71%)
Stage IV	3 (12.5%)
Debulking	
R0	9 (37.5%)
R1	1 (4%)
R2	14 (58.5%)
Tumor localization	
P-TME	24 (100%)
Vital status of patients	
Alive	7 (29%)
Death	17 (71%)

Variable	Cohort 10 (n=24 NSCLC)
Age	
Mean Age	68
Range	50-78
Sex	
Female (F)	11 (46%)
Male (M)	13 (54%)
Histology	
ADC	24 (100%)
pTNM stage	
Stage III	24 (100%)
IIIA	14 (58%)
IIIB	10 (42%)
Tumor localization	
P-TME	24 (100%)
Vital status of patients	
Alive	11 (46%)
Death	13 (54%)

Supplementary Table 7. Antibodies and detection systems used for immunohistochemistry and immunofluorescence staining.

Parameter	Source	Producer	Clone	Detection system	Revelation	Dilution	Incubation time [min]
Immunohistochemistry							
CD3	rabbit	Abcam	SP162	Impress HRP anti-rabbit IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	AEC+ substrate Chromogen system	1:100	60
CD4	rabbit	LSBio	RBT-CD4	Impress HRP anti-rabbit IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	DAB+ substrate Chromogen system	1:50	120
CD4	rabbit	Abcam	EPR19514	Impress HRP anti-rabbit IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	AEC+ substrate Chromogen system	1:150	60
CD8	rabbit	Abcam	CAL38	Impress EXCEL Amplified anti-rabbit IgG kit; Impress HRP anti-goat IgG (peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	ImmPACT DAB EqV Substrate Kit	1:250	60
CD20	rabbit	Abcam	SP32	Impress HRP anti-rabbit IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	AEC+ substrate Chromogen system	1:100	60
CD21/CR2	mouse	Cell signalling	2G9	Impress HRP anti-mouse IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	AEC+ substrate Chromogen system	1:50	60
CD23	rabbit	Abcam	SP23	Impress HRP anti-rabbit IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	AEC+ substrate Chromogen system	1:200	60
CD45	mouse	RD Systems	MAB1430 2	poly-HRP-conjugated sec.Ab goat anti-mouse + Biotin XX Tyramide reagent + Streptavidin-HRP	AEC+ substrate Chromogen system	1:100	60
CD57	mouse	Abcam	NK/804	Impress HRP anti-mouse IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	AEC substrate system	1:50	120
HLA-E	mouse	Invitrogen	MEM-E/06	Impress EXCEL Amplified anti-mouse IgG kit; Impress HRP anti-goat IgG (peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	ImmPACT DAB EqV Substrate Kit	1:100	60
NCR1	rabbit	Abcam	EPR23097-35	Impress HRP anti-rabbit IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	AEC substrate system	1:500	60
NKG2A	rabbit	Abcam	EPR23737-127	Impress HRP anti-rabbit IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	AEC substrate system	1:500	60
NKp46	rabbit	Abcam	EPR22403-57	poly-HRP-conjugated sec.Ab goat anti-rabbit + Biotin XX Tyramide reagent + Streptavidin-HRP	AEC substrate system	1:100	60
PanCK	mouse	Abcam	AE1/AE3	Impress HRP anti-mouse IgG (Peroxidase) Polymer Detection kit	AEC substrate system	1:100	60
Immunofluorescence		Panel 1+2					
CD8	rabbit	Abcam	SP16	poly-HRP-conjugated sec.Ab goat anti-rabbit	Alexa Fluor™ 594 Tyramide reagent	1:60	90
CD20	mouse	Dako	L26	goat anti-mouse IgG (H+L cross absorbed secondary antibody A750	NA	1:300	60
DC-LAMP	rat	Dendritics	1010E1.01	Immpress -HRP anti-rat IgG polymer	Alexa Fluor™ 546 Tyramide reagent	1:350	overnight
GZMB	rabbit	Abcam	EPR8260	poly-HRP-conjugated sec.Ab goat anti-rabbit	Alexa Fluor™ 488 Tyramide reagent	1:250	60
Panel 3							
NKG2A	Rabbit	Abcam	EPR23737-127	Opal Anti-Ms + Rb HRP	Opal Polaris 570	1:400	90
CD8	Rabbit	Abcam	SP16	Opal Anti-Ms + Rb HRP	Opal Polaris 480	1:50	90
CD3	Rabbit	Abcam	SP162	Opal Anti-Ms + Rb HRP	Opal Polaris 690	1:100	60
PanCK	Mouse	Abcam	AE1/AE3	Opal Anti-Ms + Rb HRP	Opal Polaris 620	1:200	60

Supplementary Table 8. The list of antibodies used for flow cytometry.

Parameter	Source	Producer	Clone	Catalog number	Fluorochrome	Dilution
Annexin V	NA	Exbio	NA	EXB0027	PE	2:100
CALR	mouse	Enzo Life eSciences, Ing	FMC75		APC	2.4:100
CD3	mouse	Exbio	MEM-57	A7-202-T100	A700	5:100
CD3	rat	BioLegend	17A2	100218	PerCP Cy 5.5	1:100
CD3	rat	Invitrogen	17A2	15-0032-82	PE-Cy5	0.125:100
CD3	mouse	BioLegend	SK7	344861	Spark NIR 685	5:100
CD8	mouse	BD Biosciences	RPA-T8	560774	HV 500	5:100
CD8a	rat	BD BioSciences	53-6.7	563152	BV605	1:100
CD8a	rat	BD Biosciences	53-6.7	612898	BUV805	0.25:100
CD8a	mouse	BioLegend	RPA-T8	301026	Pacific Blue	0.5:100
CD16	mouse	BioLegend	3G8	302012	APC	5:100
CD16/CD32 (Fc Block)	rat	BD Biosciences	2.4G2	553142	NA	1:20
CD44	rat	BD Biosciences	IM7	562464	PE-CF594	1:100
CD45	mouse	BD Biosciences	HI30	560777	HV500	5:100
CD45	mouse	Thermo Fisher Scientific	HI30	MHCD4517	PE-Texas Red	6:100
CD45	rat	Invitrogen	30-F11	69-0451-82	eF506	0.5:100
CD45	rat	BD Biosciences	30-F11	746947	BV750	0.125:100
CD45	mouse	BioLegend	HI30	304095	SparkPLUS UV395	0.25:100
CD56	mouse	BioLegend	MEM-188	304626	PerCP Cy5.5	6:100
CD56	mouse	BioLegend	HCD-56	318328	BV421	6:100
CD56	mouse	BioLegend	5.1H11	362554	APC-Fire 750	0.3:100
CD62L	rat	BD Biosciences	MEL/14	553150	FITC	1:100
CD107a	rat	BioLegend	1D4B	121645	BV650	0.25:100
EPCAM	mouse	BioLegend	9C4	324204	FITC	2:100
GZMB	mouse	BD Biosciences	GB11	560213	Alexa Fluor 700	0.03125:100
IFNG	rat	Invitrogen	XMG1.2	12-7311-82	PE	1:100
IFNG	rat	BD Biosciences	XMG1.2	567061	R718	0.25:100
NK1.1	mouse	BioLegend	PK136	108733	BV570	1:100
NK1.1	rat	Invitrogen	PK136	17-5941-82	APC	1:100
NK1.1	rat	Invitrogen	PK136	25-5941-82	PE-Cy7	1:100
NKG2A	mouse	BioLegend	S19004C	375108	APC	6:100
NKG2A	mouse	BioLegend	S19004C	375104	PE	6:100
NKG2A	rat	MACS Miltenyi Biotec	REA1161	130-120-371	PE	1:100
NKG2A	rat	BD Biosciences	20d5	741125	BUV496	0.25:100
NKG2A	mouse	BD Biosciences	131411	747919	BV711	2.5:100
NKG2D	rat	Invitrogen	CX5	25-5882-82	PE-Cy7	1:100

NKG2D	rat	Invitrogen	CX5	46-5882-82	PerCP-eFluor 710	1:100
NKG2D	mouse	BioLegend	ID11	320843	PE-Cy5	5:100
NKp46	mouse	BioLegend	9E2	331919	PerCP Cy5.5	2:100
NKp46	rat	BD Biosciences	29A1.4	562850	BV421	1:100
NKp46	rat	BD Biosciences	29A1.4	756928	RB744	1:100
PD1	mouse	BioLegend	EH12.2H7	329904	FITC	6:100
PD1	rat	BioLegend	RMP1-30	109112	APC	1:100
PD1	rat	BioLegend	29F.1A12	135214	FITC	1:100
PD1	rat	BD Biosciences	RMP1-30	748268	BV421	1:100
TCF1	rabbit	Cell Signaling	C63D9	2203S	NA	0.167:100
TIM3	mouse	BioLegend	F38-2E2	345006	PE	3:100
TIM3	rat	BD BioSciences	5D12/TIM3	747626	BV421	4:100
TIM3	rat	BioLegend	RMT3-23	119745	PE-Fire 810	2:100
Anti-rabbit IgG	goat	Cell Signaling	NA	79408S	PE	1:600
Fixable Viability Dye		eBioscience	NA	65-0865-14	eFluor780	1:2000
Fixable Dead Cell Stain		Thermo Fisher Scientific	NA	L34962	LIVE/DEAD Blue	1:500
Fixable Viability Dye		BioLegend	NA	423111	Zombie Green	1:4000

Supplementary Table 9. Flow cytometry instruments configuration.

A) BD LSRFortessa flow cytometer (BD Biosciences)

Software - BD FACSDiva 8.0.3

Configuration – 3L (B,R,V):

BD LSRFortessa				
Laser	Detector position	Filter Long Pass	Filter Band Pass	Name of the detector
Blue 488nm octagon	E	505LP	530/30	FITC
	D	550LP	575/26	PE
	C	600LP	610/20	PE-Texas Red
	B	685LP	695/40	PerCP-Cy5.5
	A	750LP	780/60	PE-Cy7
Red 640nm trigon	C		670/14	APC
	B	710LP	730/45	AlexaFluor700
	A	750LP	780/60	APC Cy7
Violet 405nm trigon	C		450/50	PacificBlue
	B	475LP	525/50	AmCyan
	A	595LP	605/12	Qdot605

B) Cytex Aurora (Cytex) spectral cytometer

Software – SpectroFlo 3.3.0

Configuration – 5L UV-V-B-YG-R

Aurora 5L UV-V-B-YG-R			
Laser	Channel	Wavelength Start (nm)	Wavelength End (nm)
UV 355 nm	UV1	365	380
	UV2	380	395
	UV3	420	435
	UV4	435	450
	UV5	450	480
	UV6	465	480
	UV7	500	528
	UV8	528	556
	UV9	566	597
	UV10	597	628
	UV11	650	667
	UV12	677	705
	UV13	705	734
	UV14	735	765
	UV15	765	795
	UV16	795	829
Violet 405 nm	V1	420	435
	V2	436	451
	V3	451	466
	V4	466	481
	V5	498	518
	V6	516	533
	V7	533	550
	V8	571	590
	V9	588	608
	V10	605	625
	V11	651	678
	V12	678	706
	V13	706	735
	V14	735	765
	V15	765	795
	V16	795	829
	B1	498	518

Blue 488 nm	B2	516	533
	B3	533	550
	B4	571	590
	B5	588	608
	B6	605	625
	B7	652	669
	B8	669	687
	B9	688	707
	B10	707	727
	B11	728	749
	B12	749	772
	B13	772	795
	B14	795	825
Red 640 nm	R1	652	669
	R2	669	687
	R3	688	707
	R4	707	727
	R5	728	749
	R6	749	772
	R7	772	795
	R8	795	829
Yellow Green 561 nm	YG1	567	587
	YG2	588	608
	YG3	605	625
	YG4	652	669
	YG5	669	687
	YG6	688	707
	YG7	706	735
	YG8	735	765
	YG9	765	795
	YG10	795	829