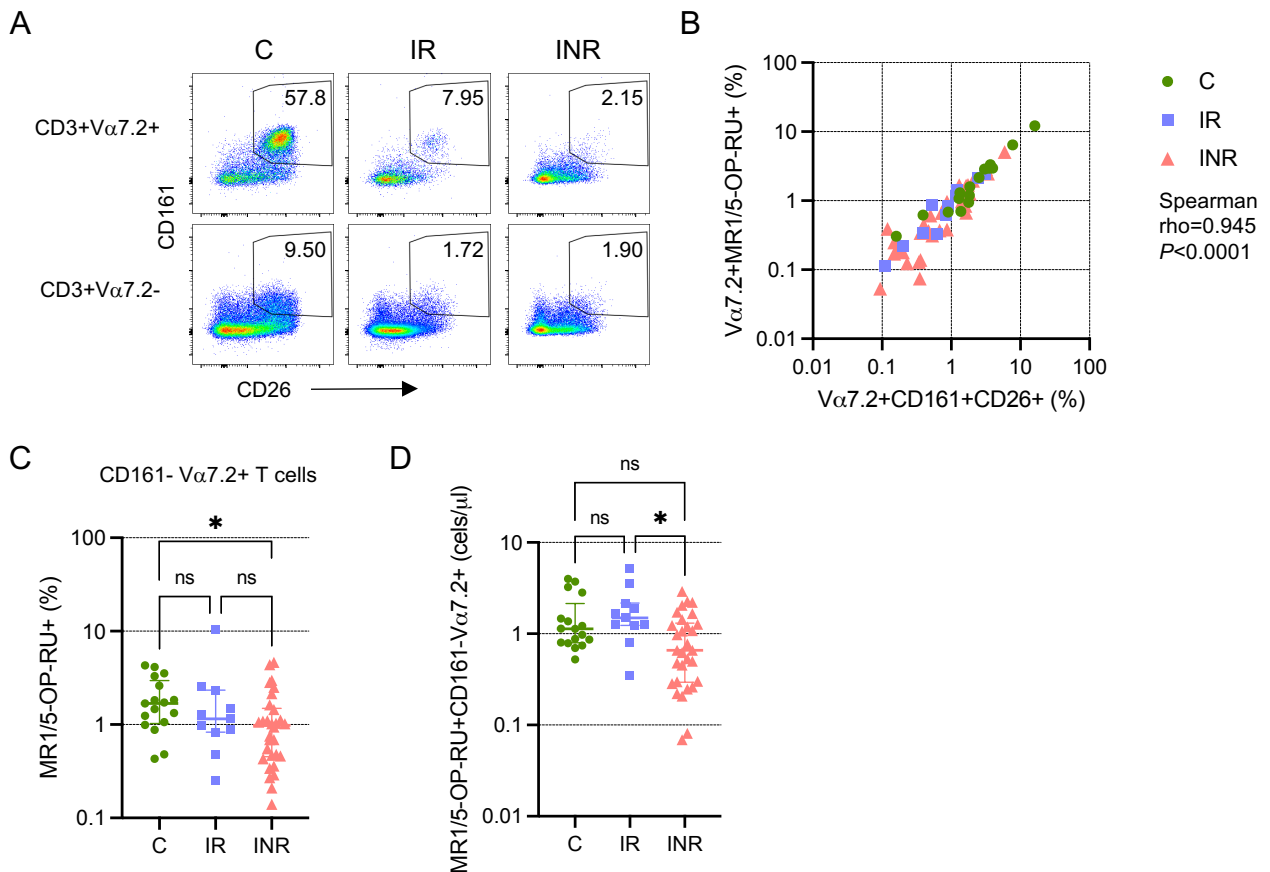
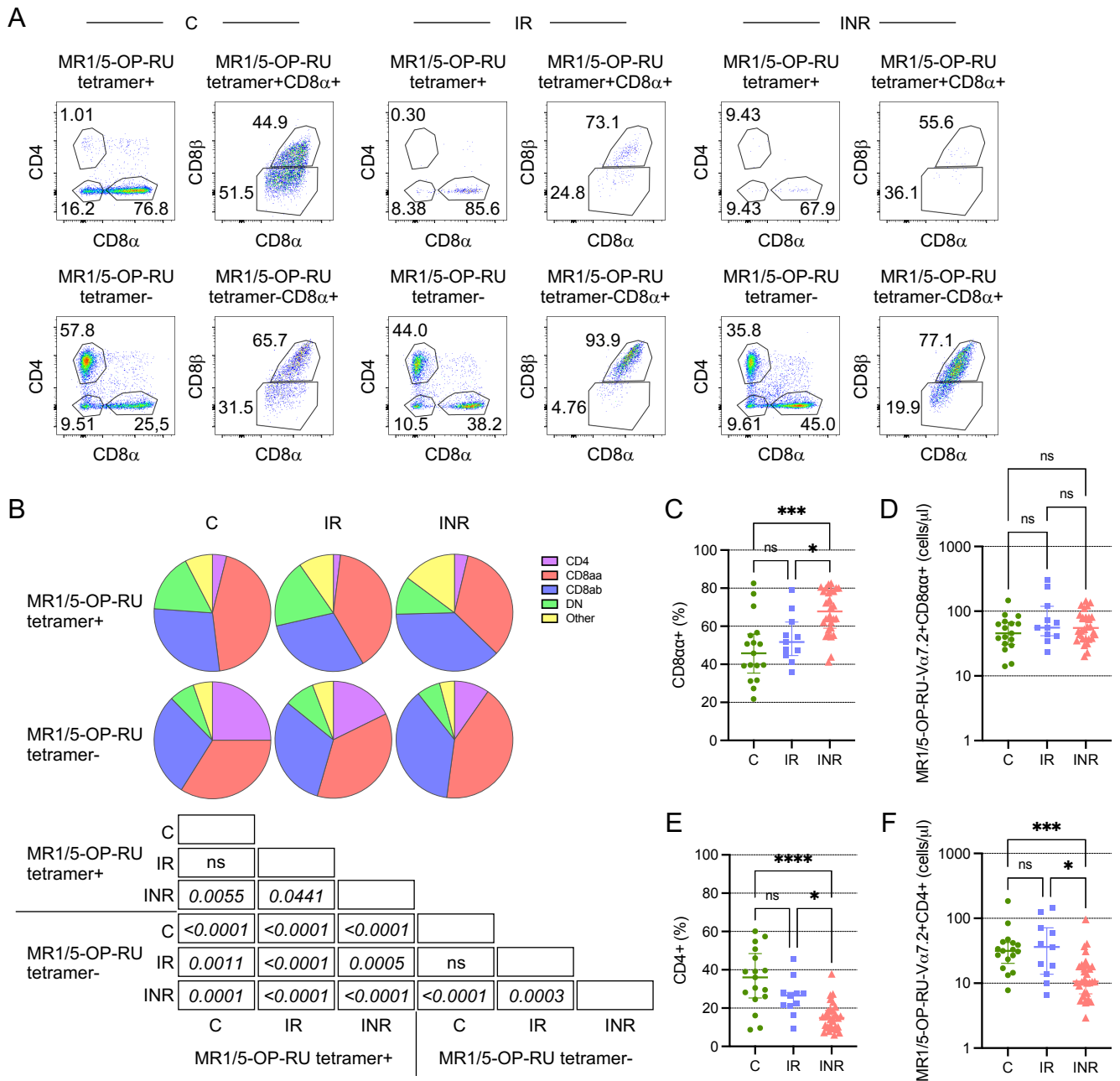


Supplementary Figure 1. Reduced number of TCR $V\alpha 7.2^+$ CD3 $^+$ T cells in PWH with poor CD4 T cell recovery. Cryopreserved peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) from Cleveland Immune Failure (CLIF) study control (C, n=17), immune responder (IR, n=11), and immune non-responder (INR, n=30) donors were thawed and stained with surface antibodies. **(A)** Representative pseudocolor plots showing gating strategy to identify live CD3 $^+$ T cells expressing the $V\alpha 7.2$ T cell receptor (TCR). Numbers on plots indicate the percent of cells in the indicated gate. **(B)** Proportion of CD3 $^+$ T cells that are $V\alpha 7.2^+$. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. **(C)** Number of $V\alpha 7.2^+$ CD3 $^+$ T cells per μL of peripheral blood. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. Statistics were calculated using Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's correction for multiple comparisons. ns, not significant; ** $P < 0.01$.

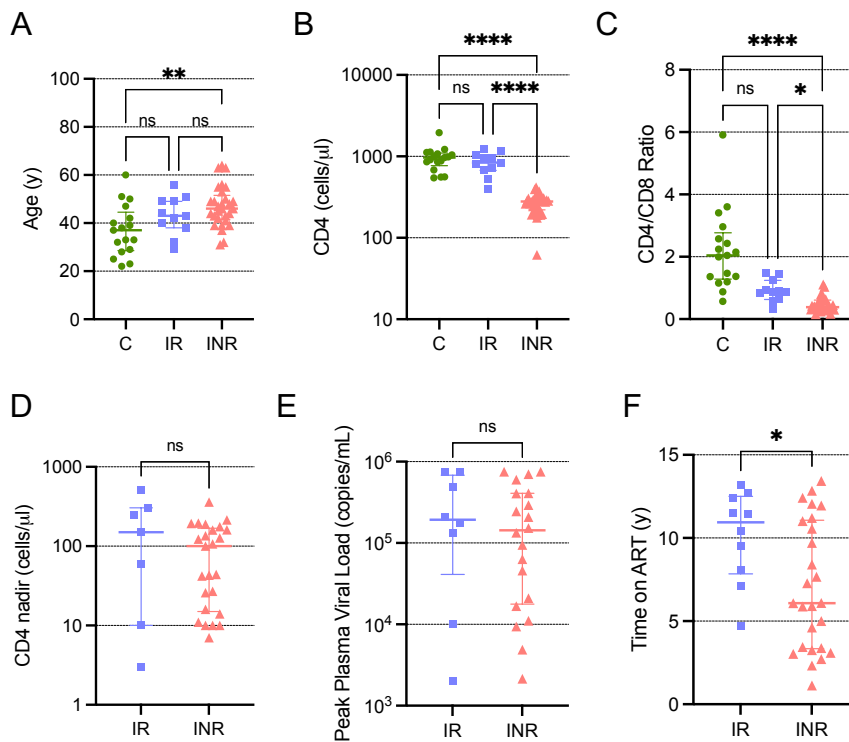


Supplementary Figure 2. There is no accumulation of MR1/5-OP-RU+ cells among Vα7.2+ T cells lacking CD161. Cryopreserved peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) from Cleveland Immune Failure (CLIF) study control (C, n=17), immune responder (IR, n=11), and immune non-responder (INR, n=30) donors were thawed, labeled with MR1/5-OP-RU tetramers, and stained with surface antibodies. **(A)** Representative pseudocolor plots showing CD161 and CD26 staining on Vα7.2+ CD3+ T cells (top row) or Vα7.2- CD3+ T cells (bottom row). Numbers on plots indicate the percent of cells that co-express CD161 and CD26. **(B)** Correlation of the percent of Vα7.2+CD3+ T cells that are CD161+CD26+ and the percentage of Vα7.2+CD3+ T cells that bind the MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer. **(C)** Proportion of Vα7.2+CD161- CD3+ T cells that are MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer+. Lines and error bars indicate the median ± IQR. **(D)** Number of MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer+Vα7.2+CD161- CD3+ T cells per μL of peripheral blood. Lines and error bars indicate the median ± IQR. Statistics for **B** were calculated using Spearman correlation. Statistics for **C** and **D** were calculated using Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn’s correction for multiple comparisons. ns, not significant; *P<0.05.

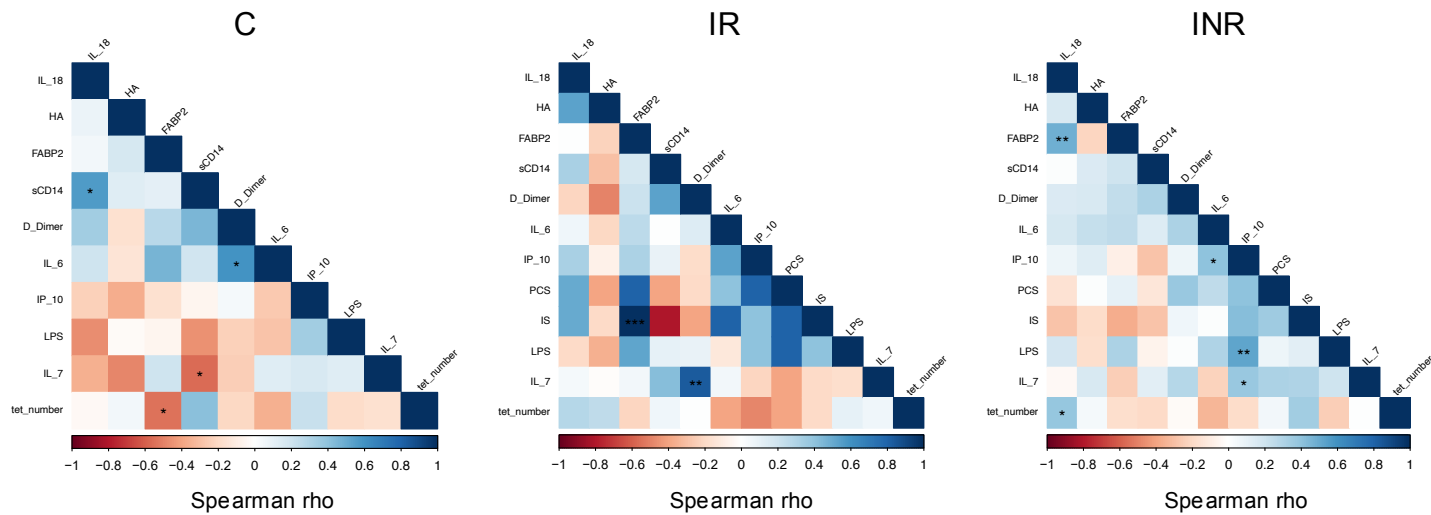


Supplementary Figure 3. Reduced CD4⁺ cells in MAIT cells from INR drives the proportional increase in CD8⁺ MAIT cell subpopulations. Cryopreserved peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) from Cleveland Immune Failure (CLIF) study control (C, n=17), immune responder (IR, n=11), and immune non-responder (INR, n=30) donors were thawed, labeled with MR1/5-OP-RU tetramers, and stained with surface antibodies. **(A)** Representative pseudocolor plots showing, for MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁺Vα7.2⁺ T cells (top row) or for MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁻Vα7.2⁺ T cells (bottom row), CD4 and CD8α staining on total cells (left plots for each donor group) and CD8α and CD8β staining on CD8α⁺ cells (right plots for each donor group).

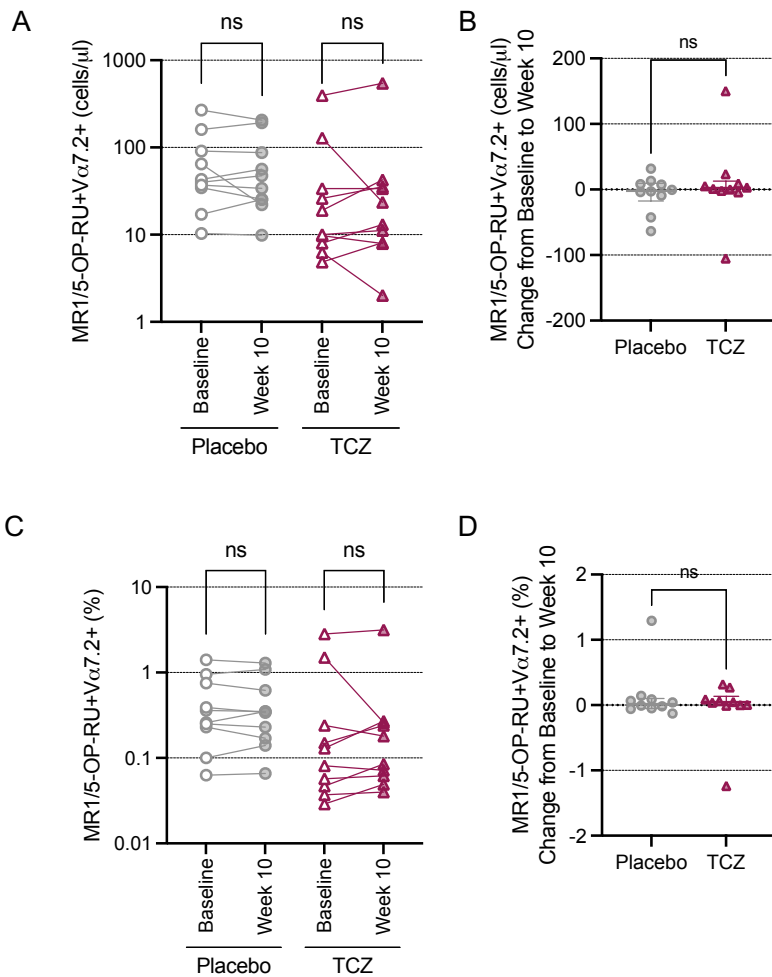
Numbers on plots indicate the percent of cells in the indicated gate. **(B)** Pie charts showing the proportion of MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁺ V α 7.2⁺ CD3⁺ T cells (top row) and MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁻ V α 7.2⁺ CD3⁺ T cells in each of the indicated subsets. Analysis of the cell subset distribution is shown in the matrix and was performed using the SPICE permutation test with 10,000 iterations. **(C)** Proportion of MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁻ V α 7.2⁺ CD3⁺ T cells that are CD8 $\alpha\alpha$ ⁺. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. **(D)** Number of CD8 $\alpha\alpha$ ⁺ MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁻ V α 7.2⁺ CD3⁺ T cells per μ L of peripheral blood. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. **(E)** Proportion of MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁻ V α 7.2⁺ CD3⁺ T cells that are CD4⁺. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. **(F)** Number of CD4⁺ MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁻ V α 7.2⁺ CD3⁺ T cells per μ L of peripheral blood. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. Statistics for **C-F** were calculated using Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's correction for multiple comparisons. ns, not significant; * P <0.05; *** P <0.001; **** P <0.0001.



Supplementary Figure 4. Clinical comparison of Cleveland Immune Failure study donors. (A) Age of Cleveland Immune Failure (CLIF) study control (C, n=17), immune responder (IR, n=11), and immune non-responder (INR, n=29) donors. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. **(B,C)** Number of CD4⁺ T cells per μ L of peripheral blood **(B)** and CD4/CD8 T cell ratio **(C)** from C (n=17), IR (n=11) and INR (n=30) donors. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. **(D)** Nadir CD4 T cells per μ L of peripheral blood from IR (n=7) and INR (n=25) donors. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. **(E)** Peak plasma HIV-1 RNA (viral load) copies per μ L of peripheral blood from IR (n=8) and INR (n=20) donors. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. **(F)** Time on antiretroviral therapy (ART) for IR (n=10) and INR (n=26) donors. Lines and error bars indicate the median \pm IQR. Statistics for **A-C** were calculated using Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's correction for multiple comparisons. Statistics for **D-F** were calculated using Mann-Whitney U test. ns, not significant; *P<0.05; **P<0.01; ****P<0.0001.



Supplementary Figure 5. Associations of soluble markers of inflammation with MAIT cell numbers and with each other within each donor group. Correlograms of MAIT cell numbers (tet_number) and soluble plasma analytes for Cleveland Immune Failure (CLIF) study control (C, n=16-17), immune responder (IR, n=4-11), and immune non-responder (INR, n=18-30) donors. Neither p-cresol sulfate (PCS) nor indoxyl sulfate (IS) were measured in plasmas of C donors. Statistics were calculated using Spearman correlation. * $P < 0.05$; ** $P < 0.01$.



Supplementary Figure 6. There is no change in the number of MR1/5-OP-RU+ cells following inhibition of IL-6 signals *in vivo*. Cryopreserved PBMCs from NCT02049437, from baseline and at week 10 following monthly administrations (at week 0, week 4, and week 8) of tocilizumab (TCZ, n=10) or placebo control (n=10), were thawed, labeled with MR1/5-OP-RU tetramers, and stained with surface antibodies. **(A)** Number of MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁺Vα7.2⁺ CD3⁺ T cells per μL of peripheral blood at baseline or week 10 of placebo or TCZ administration. Lines and error bars indicate the median ± IQR. **(B)** Change in the number of MR1/5-OP-RU tetramer⁺Vα7.2⁺ CD3⁺ T cells per μL of peripheral blood from baseline to week 10. **(C)** Proportion of CD3⁺ T cells that are MR1/5-OP-RU⁺Vα7.2⁺ at baseline or week 10 of placebo or TCZ administration. Lines and error bars indicate the median ± IQR. **(D)** Change in the proportion of CD3⁺ T cells that are MR1/5-OP-RU⁺Vα7.2⁺ from baseline to week 10. Statistics for **A,C** were calculated using Wilcoxon matched-pairs signed rank test and statistics for **B,D** were calculated using Mann-Whitney U test. ns, not significant.