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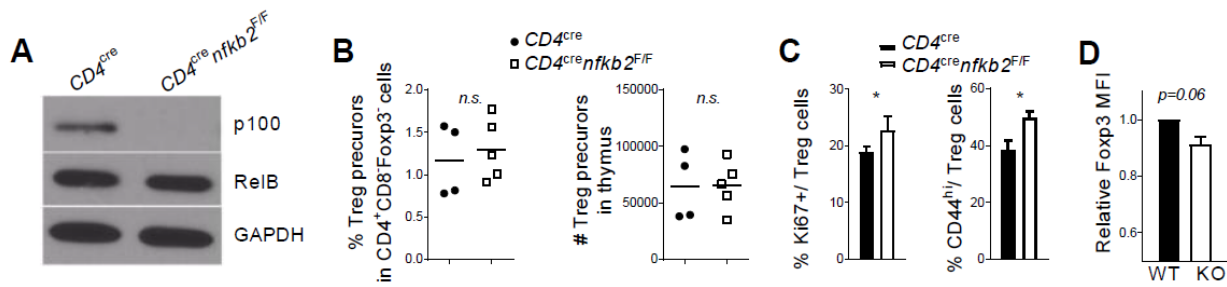


Figure S1. T-cell specific ablation of *nfkb2* drives peripheral Treg cell expansion

(A) Total splenic $CD4^{+}$ cells were sorted from $CD4^{cre}$ and $CD4^{cre}nfkb2^{F/F}$ mice and lysed for Western Blot analysis. (B,C) Thymus and spleen of 6-8 weeks-old $CD4^{cre}$ and $CD4^{cre}nfkb2^{F/F}$ mice were stained for FACS. (B) % (among $CD4^{+}CD8^{-}Foxp3^{+}$) and absolute number of $CD25^{+}GITR^{+}$ Treg precursors in the thymus. (C, D) % of Ki67⁺ and CD44^{high} cells (C) and relative MFI of Fcγ3 (D) in gated $TCR-β^{+}CD4^{+}Foxp3^{+}$ cells in the spleen. Data is from 2 to 3 independent experiments. In B, each dot represents a mouse. *p<0.05, n.s. : non-significant.

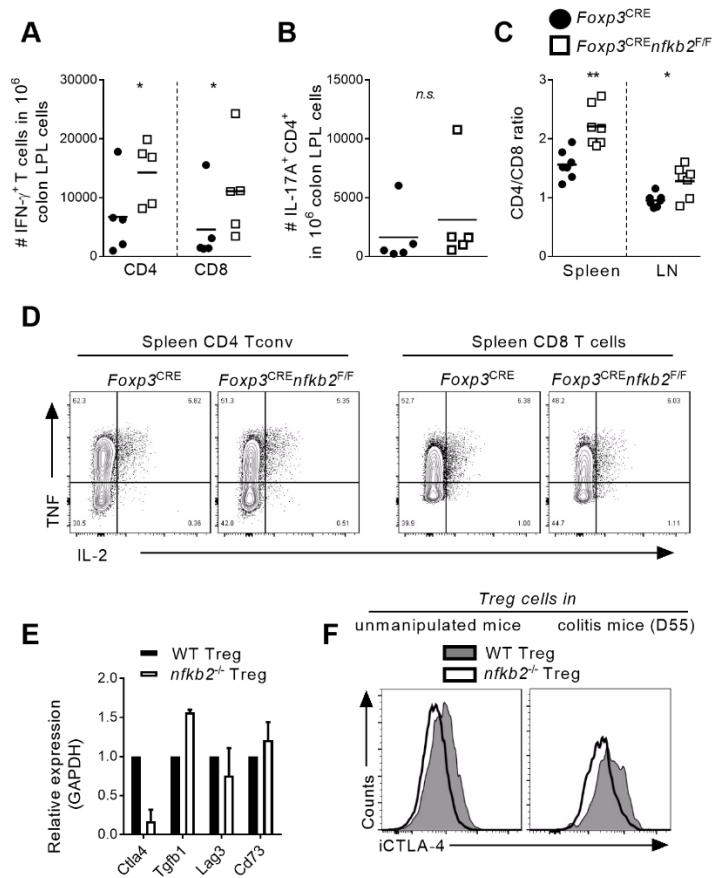


Figure S2. Uncontrolled inflammation in aging *Foxp3*^{cre}*nfkb2*^{F/F} mice.

Tissues of 12-month old mice were stained for FACS. (A, B) Numbers of IFN- γ ⁺ and IL-17A⁺ cell per 10⁶ colon LPL cells (C) CD4/CD8 ratio in gated in TCR- β ⁺ live cells. Each dot represents a mouse from 3 pooled experiments. (D) Representative expression of TNF- α and IL-2 in gated spleen in TCR- β ⁺CD4⁺Foxp3⁻ (CD4) and TCR- β ⁺CD8⁺ (CD8). Numbers indicate the % in each quadrant. No statistical difference was observed. Data is from 1 out of 2 experiments. (E) Splenic Treg were sorted from *Foxp3*^{cre} and *Foxp3*^{cre}*nfkb2*^{F/F} mice, and gene expression was analyzed by q-RT-PCR. Expression of the given genes relative to the GAPDH control is shown. Mean +/-SEM of 2 experiments is shown. (F) Intracellular expression of CTLA-4 in gated CD45.2⁺CD4⁺Foxp3⁺ of unmanipulated 12-month-old *Foxp3*^{cre} and *Foxp3*^{cre}*nfkb2*^{F/F} mice (left), and of recipient mice in the in vivo colitis assay (right). Data is representative of 2 experiments. *p < 0.05, ** p < 0.005.

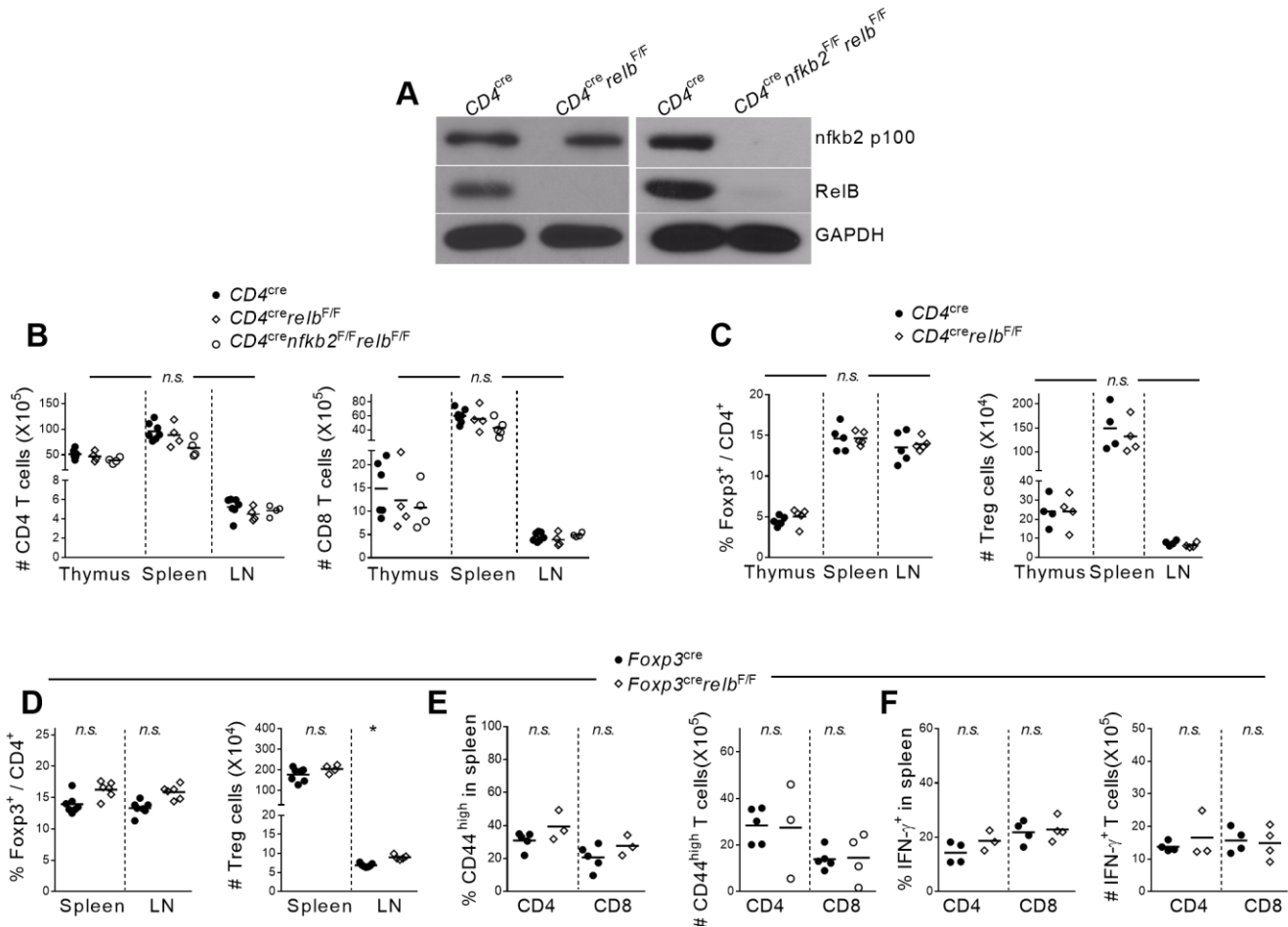


Figure S3. Overactivation of RelB in the absence of NF- κ B2 drives uncontrolled Treg expansion and inflammation.

(A) Spleen CD4⁺ cells were sorted from the indicated mice and lysed for Western Blot analysis. (B-C) Thymus, spleen and peripheral lymph nodes of 6-8 weeks-old CD4^{cre}, CD4^{cre} relb^{F/F} and CD4^{cre} nfkb2^{F/F} relb^{F/F} mice were stained for FACS. (B) Absolute numbers of live TCR- β ⁺CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ in the indicated tissues. (C) % in TCR- β ⁺CD4⁺ and absolute numbers of Treg cells. (D-F) Tissues of 10-12-month-old Foxp3^{cre} and Foxp3^{cre} relb^{F/F} mice were analyzed by FACS upon PMA-ionomycin restimulation. (D) % (in TCR- β ⁺CD4⁺) and absolute numbers of Treg cells. (E-F) % (in CD4 and CD8 cells) and absolute numbers of CD44^{high} and IFN- γ ⁺ T cells, respectively. *p<0.05, n.s. : non-significant.

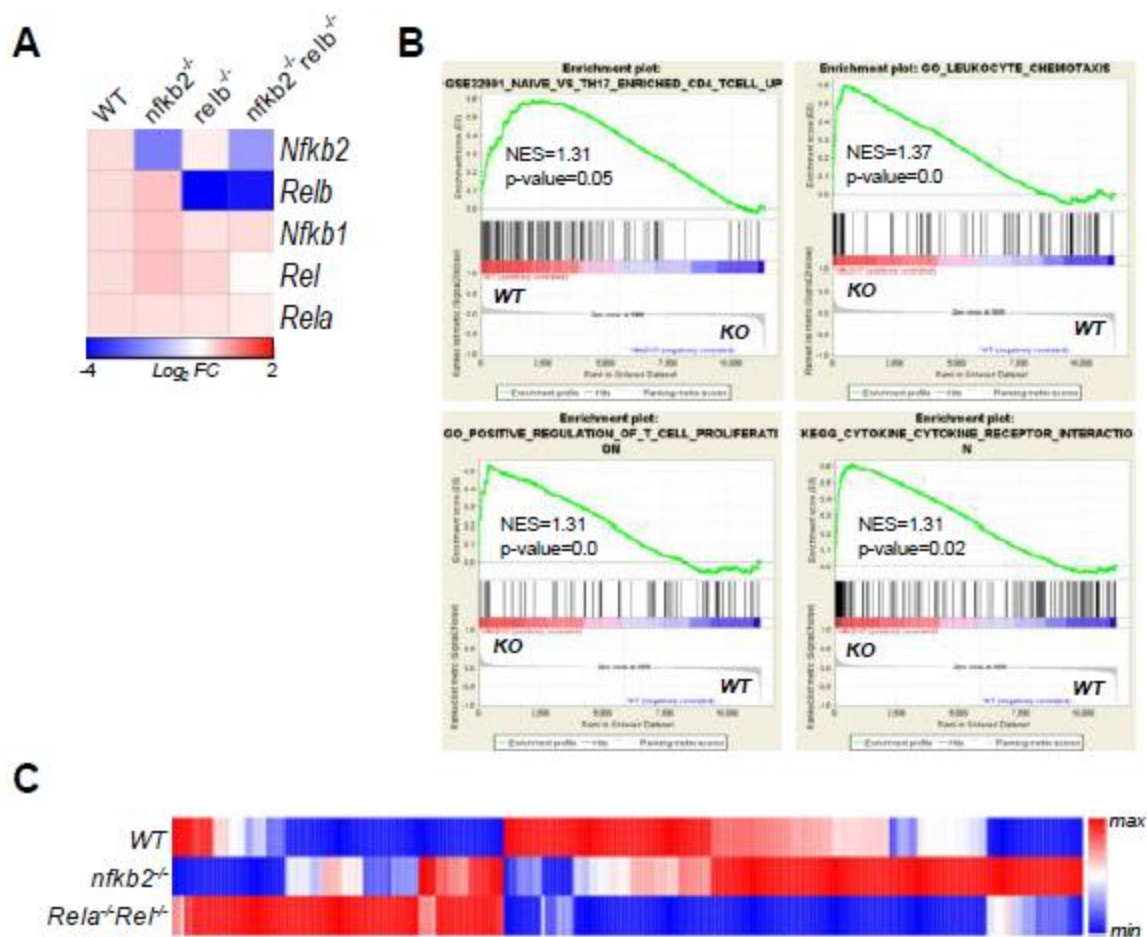


Figure S4. NF- κ B2 represses aberrant expression of inflammatory and homing genes in Treg cells.

Treg cells were sorted from *Foxp3*^{cre}, *Foxp3*^{cre} *nfkb2*^{F/F}, *Foxp3*^{cre} *relb*^{F/F} mice and *Foxp3*^{cre} *nfkb2*^{F/F} *relb*^{F/F} mice, activated overnight and processed for RNA-seq. (A) Relative expression of NF- κ B subunits. (B) Selected Gene Set Enrichment Analysis plots using genes with changed expression in *nfkb2*⁻ Treg cells. The Gene Ontology, KEGG and Immunologic signatures Databases were screened. (C) Heatmap comparing the expression (fold changes) of genes with impaired expression in *nfkb2*⁻ Treg cells, between WT, *nfkb2*⁻ and *Rela*⁻ *Relb*⁻ (16) RNAseq datasets.