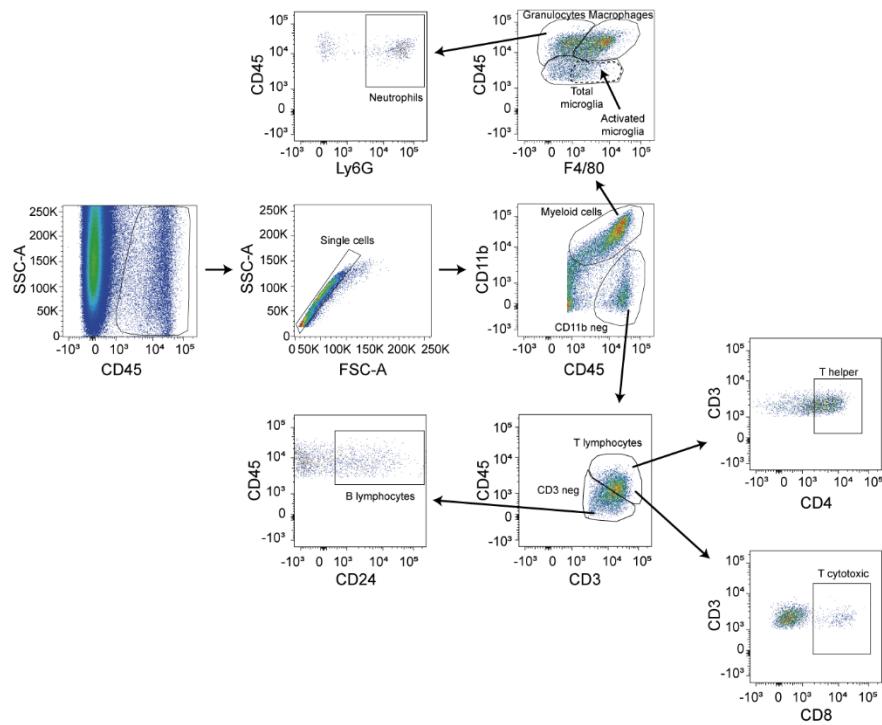
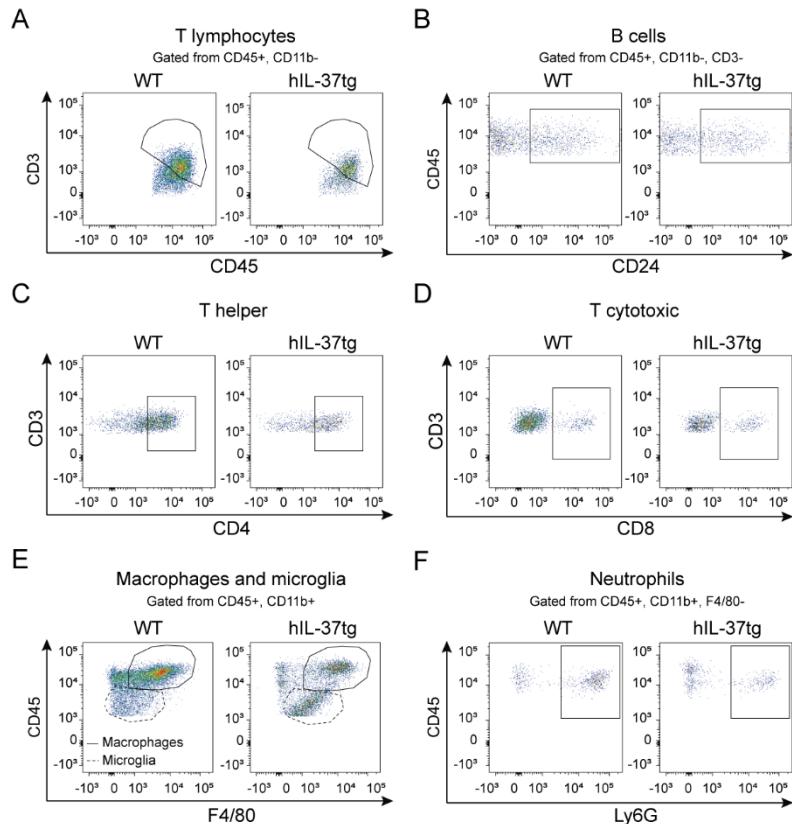


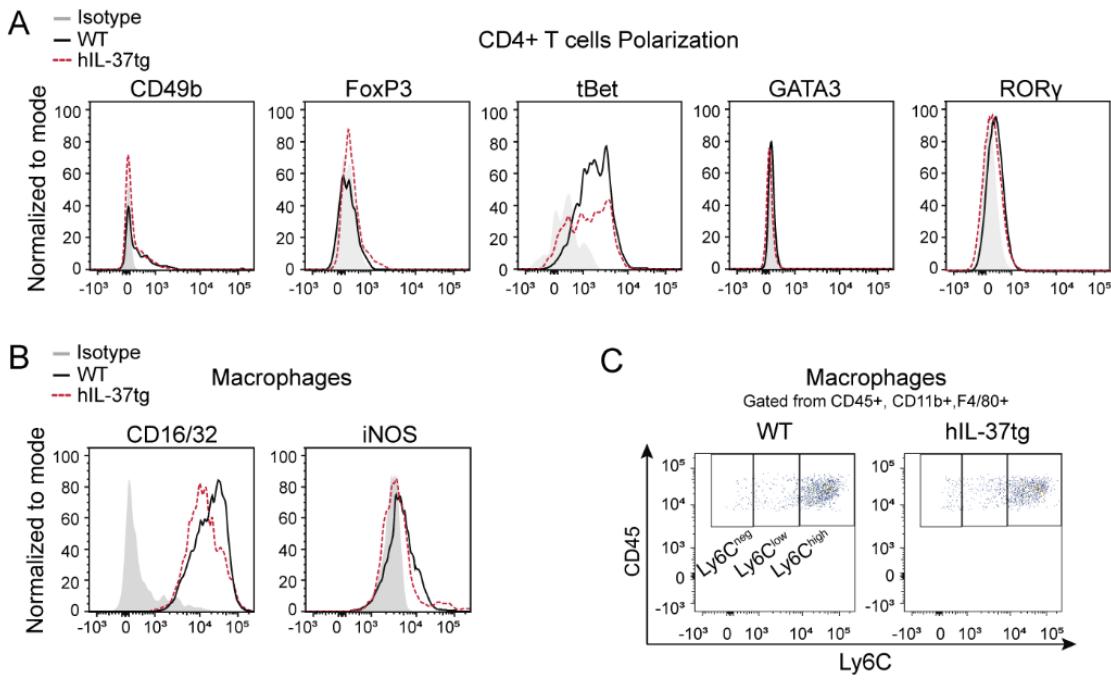
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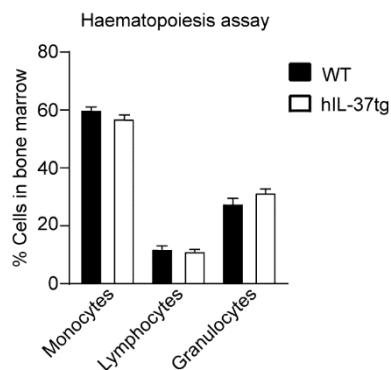
**Figure S1. Representative dot plots showing the gating strategy of the main immune cell populations.**



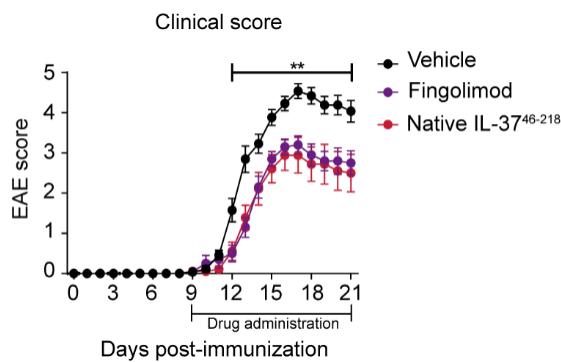
**Figure S2. IL-37 reduces the accumulation of immune cells in the spinal cord of hIL-37tg mice at the peak of EAE. (A-F)** Representative dot plots showing different (A) T lymphocytes, (B) B cells, (C) T helper cells, (D) T cytotoxic cells, (E) macrophages and microglia and (F) neutrophils in the spinal cord at the peak of EAE in WT and hIL-37tg mice.



**Figure S3. IL-37 modulates T cells responses in the spinal cord of hIL-37tg EAE mice.**  
**(A-C)** Representative flow cytometry histograms characterising the expression of different markers of T cell responses (A), pro-inflammatory markers (CD16/32 and iNOS) and (C) Ly6C expression in macrophages in the spinal cord at the peak of EAE in WT and hIL-37tg mice.



**Figure S4. IL-37 does not alter the haematopoiesis in the bone marrow of hIL-37tg EAE mice.** Counts of monocytes, lymphocytes and granulocytes in the bone barrow of WT and hIL-37tg. Unpaired t-test ( $n=4$  per group). Data shown as mean $\pm$ sem.



**Figure S5. The administration of recombinant human IL-37 protein in EAE mice protects against EAE functional deficits in the same measure than Fingolimod.** Clinical score of mice treated with vehicle, Fingolimod or native IL-37<sup>46-218</sup> recombinant protein showed as mean clinical score. Two-way ANOVA with repeated measures, Bonferroni's *post hoc* test. ( $n=13$  in vehicle,  $n=10$  in Fingolimod and  $n=9$  in native IL-37<sup>46-218</sup>). Data were obtained by pooling the data from two different experiments. \*\*  $p<0.01$  vs vehicle. Data shown as mean $\pm$ sem.

## SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE LEGENDS

ID Sample	Type of sample	Sex	Age	Type of MS	MS duration (years)	Last relapse (years from sample collection)	EDSS	Treatment
MS-1	Brain	F	55	SPMS	11	–	5	Untreated
MS-2	Brain	F	50	SPMS	11	–	9	Untreated
MS-3	Brain	M	48	SPMS	6	–	8.5	Untreated
MS-4	Brain	F	60	SPMS	28	–	8.5	Untreated
MS-5	Brain	F	49	RRMS	Unknown	–	Unknown	Untreated
MS-6	Brain	M	26	RRMS	12	–	9	Untreated
MS-7	Brain	M	65	SPMS	15	–	9	Untreated
MS-8	Brain	M	61	SPMS	26	–	9.5	Untreated
MS-9	Brain	F	44	SPMS	Unknown	–	Unknown	Untreated
MS-10	PBMCs	F	63	RRMS	1	11	1	Untreated
MS-11	PBMCs	F	45	RRMS	16	9	1	Untreated
MS-12	PBMCs	F	36	RRMS	2	3	0	Untreated
MS-13	PBMCs	M	65	SPMS	22	22	6.5	Untreated
MS-14	PBMCs	M	31	RRMS	1	1	1	Copaxone
MS-15	PBMCs	F	45	SPMS	16	5	11	Untreated
MS-16	PBMCs	F	44	RRMS	18	18	0	Untreated
MS-17	PBMCs	F	60	SPMS	14	11	8	Corticosteroids
MS-18	PBMCs	F	34	RRMS	5	5	0	Untreated
MS-19	PBMCs	M	27	RRMS	1	0	0	Untreated
MS-20	PBMCs	F	27	RRMS	6	5	0	Untreated
HC-1	PBMCs	M	25	Healthy	–	–	–	–
HC-2	PBMCs	F	26	Healthy	–	–	–	–
HC-3	PBMCs	M	37	Healthy	–	–	–	–
HC-4	PBMCs	F	30	Healthy	–	–	–	–
HC-5	PBMCs	F	57	Healthy	–	–	–	–
HC-6	PBMCs	M	27	Healthy	–	–	–	–
HC-7	PBMCs	F	42	Healthy	–	–	–	–

**Supplementary Table 1. Descriptive information about human samples of MS patients and healthy controls.**

Naive WT		Naive hIL-37tg		t-test	WT vs. hIL-37tg	
	(pg ck/mg prot)	SEM	(pg ck/mg prot)	SEM		
IL-4	4,99	1,05	5,37	1,56	ns	=
IL-10	5,85	3,42	4,13	0,86	ns	=
IL-1 $\alpha$	6,75	2,31	6,72	1,32	ns	=
IL-1 $\beta$	0,4	0,2	0,22	0,08	ns	=
IL-3	0,44	0,13	0,39	0,067	ns	=
IL-6	5,6	0,76	15,35	4,22	ns	=
IL-17A	11,68	1,7	6,81	0,98	ns	=
IFNY	1,73	0,42	1,36	0,34	ns	=
TNF $\alpha$	0	0	0,35	0,35	ns	=
CXCL-2	14,15	3,79	13,12	2,66	ns	=
CXCL-10	5,4	1,61	6,57	0,87	ns	=
CCL-2	19,34	4,59	11,59	1,65	ns	=
CCL-5	2,43	1,07	4,24	1,93	ns	=
G-CSF	2,82	0,38	1,3	0,14	ns	=
GM-CSF	0	0	0	0	ns	=

EAE 3 days post-onset WT		EAE 3 days post-onset hIL-37tg		t-test	WT vs. hIL-37tg	
	(pg ck/mg prot)	SEM	(pg ck/mg prot)	SEM		
IL-4	2,62	0,29	2,15	0,17	ns	=
IL-10	208,58	47,68	192,99	64,01	ns	=
IL-1 $\alpha$	10,57	2,37	2,74	0,59	*	↓
IL-1 $\beta$	3,27	0,58	0,93	0,49	***	↓
IL-3	0,06	0,06	0,05	0,03	ns	=
IL-6	21,27	3,84	5,41	1,18	**	↓
IL-17A	5,86	0,74	5,2	1,42	ns	=
IFNY	0,88	0,06	0,34	0,06	**	↓
TNF $\alpha$	2,15	0,49	0,86	0,07	*	↓
CXCL-2	18,6	3,3	15,85	3,2	ns	=
CXCL-10	208,58	47,68	192,99	64,01	ns	=
CCL-2	37,13	11,16	34	10,52	ns	=
CCL-5	12,42	3,97	9,03	4,17	ns	=
G-CSF	4,3	0,3	4,2	0,4	ns	=
GM-CSF	0,79	0,13	0,8	0,06	ns	=

**Supplementary Table 2. Cytokine expression in the spinal cord of WT and hIL-37tg mice at physiological conditions and at 3 days after EAE onset.** \*p<0.05; \*\*p<0.01; \*\*\*p<0.001 vs. WT. Unpaired t test was used to analyze significant differences between groups (n=4 per group in naïve mice; n=5 per group in EAE mice). Data is shown as mean $\pm$ SEM.