



**Supplementary figure 1. Gating strategy for GzmA and GzmK expression analysis.** After 18 h of sepsis induction, WT, GzmA<sup>-/-</sup> and GzmK<sup>-/-</sup> mice were sacrificed. Spleens were collected aseptically, homogenized in 5 mL of RPMI medium and then erythrocytes were lysed. For analysis of GzmA and GzmK expression, 1x10<sup>6</sup> splenocytes were stained with extracellular fluorescent labelled antibodies. Doublets (FSC-H vs FSC-A and SSC-H vs. SSC-A) were excluded. SSC-A vs. CD45<sup>+</sup> gating was done to identify CD45<sup>+</sup> cells population. For the first cocktail 3 subpopulations were identified: NK cell (NK1.1+CD3<sup>-</sup>), NKT cell (NK1.1+CD3<sup>+</sup>) and CD8 lymphocyte (CD8+CD3<sup>+</sup>) which were gated from NK1.1 negative cells. For the second cocktail CD4 T lymphocyte (CD4+CD3<sup>+</sup>) subpopulation was identified. Finally, for the third cocktail 4 subpopulations were identified: dendritic cell (CD11b+CD11c<sup>+</sup>), from CD11b+CD11c<sup>-</sup> cells a Ly6G<sup>+</sup> population was identified as neutrophils (CD11b+Ly6G<sup>+</sup>). Next, from Ly6G<sup>-</sup> population a Ly6C<sup>+</sup> population was identified as monocytes (CD11b+Ly6C+Ly6G<sup>-</sup>). Finally, from Ly6C<sup>-</sup> population a CD11b<sup>++</sup> population was identified as macrophages (CD11b<sup>++</sup>+Ly6C-Ly6G<sup>-</sup>).