**Supplemental Digital Content 3**

**Prolonged recovery phase in septic OTII mice compared to WT.**
OTII mice and C57BL/6 WT mice were subjected to AP or left untreated. Body temperature was measured at close intervals and is depicted separately for surviving (A) and non-surviving (B) mice. Additionally, sepsis severity was determined as described in Materials and Methods. It is shown separately for surviving (C) and non-surviving (D) mice, respectively. Sample sizes were 11 WT, 4 OTII/group for surviving and 11 WT, 26 OTII/group for non-surviving animals. Data are expressed as the mean ± SEM. Septic OTII and WT mice were compared using the Mann-Whitney test. *, P ≤ 0.05; **, P ≤ 0.01