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Harnessing Innate Immunity in Cancer Therapy

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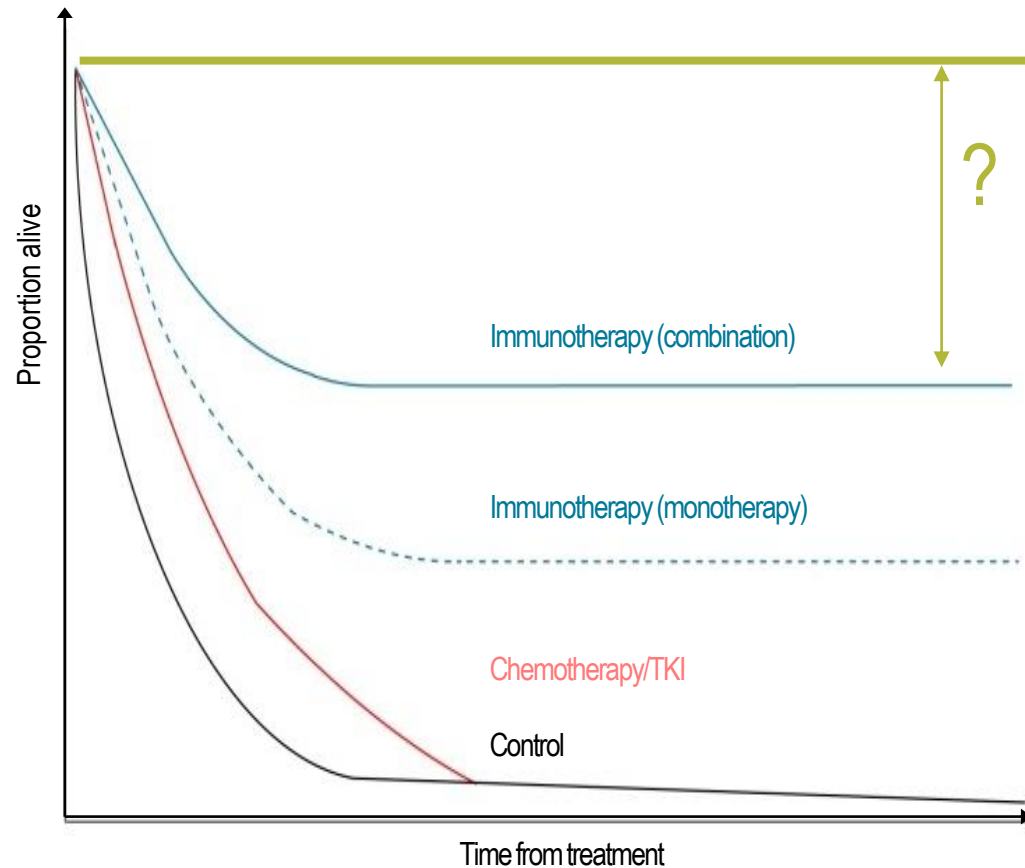
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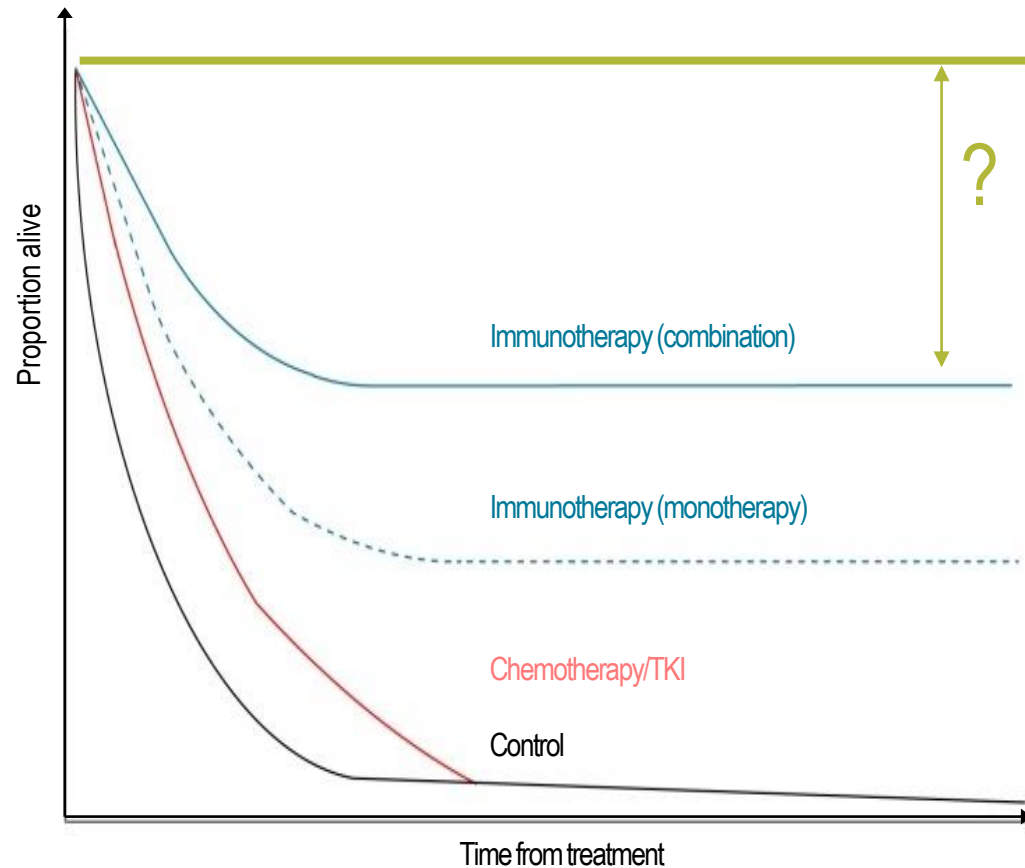


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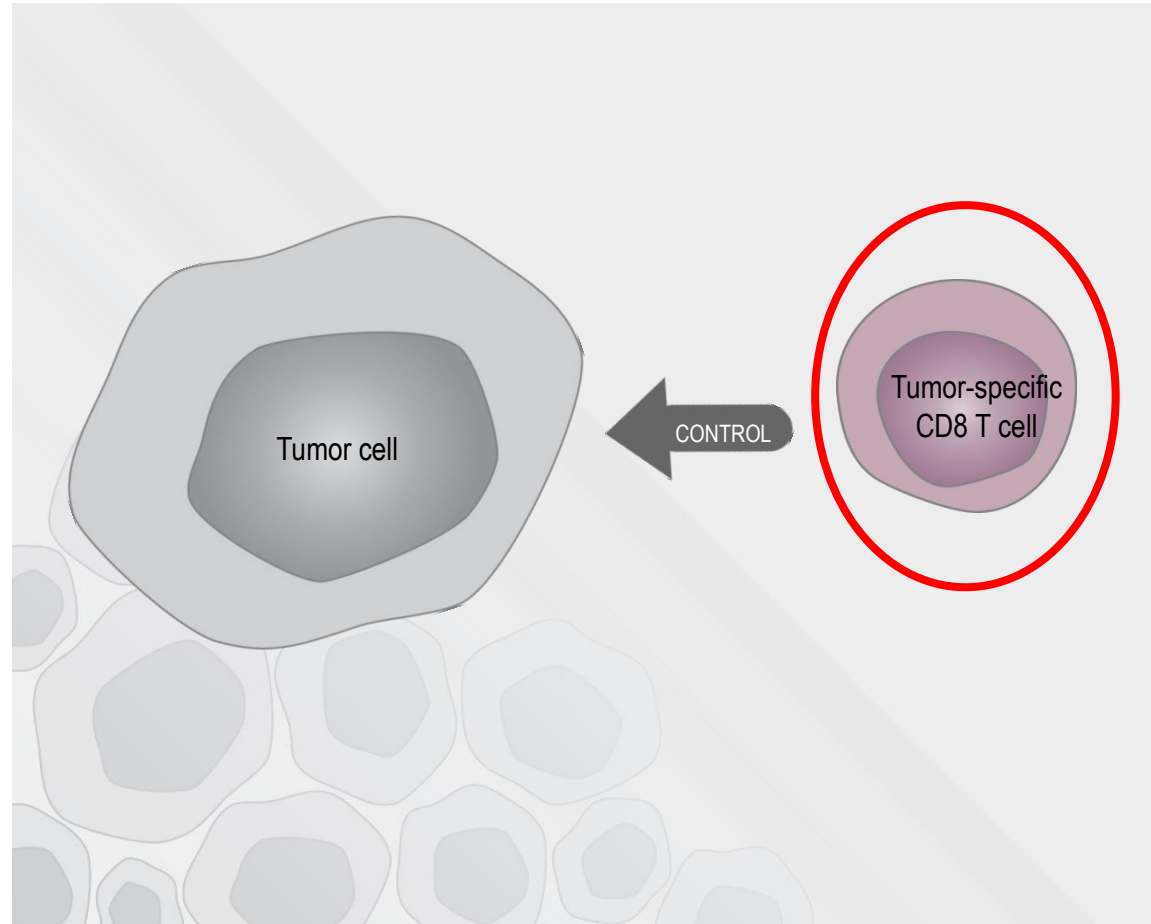
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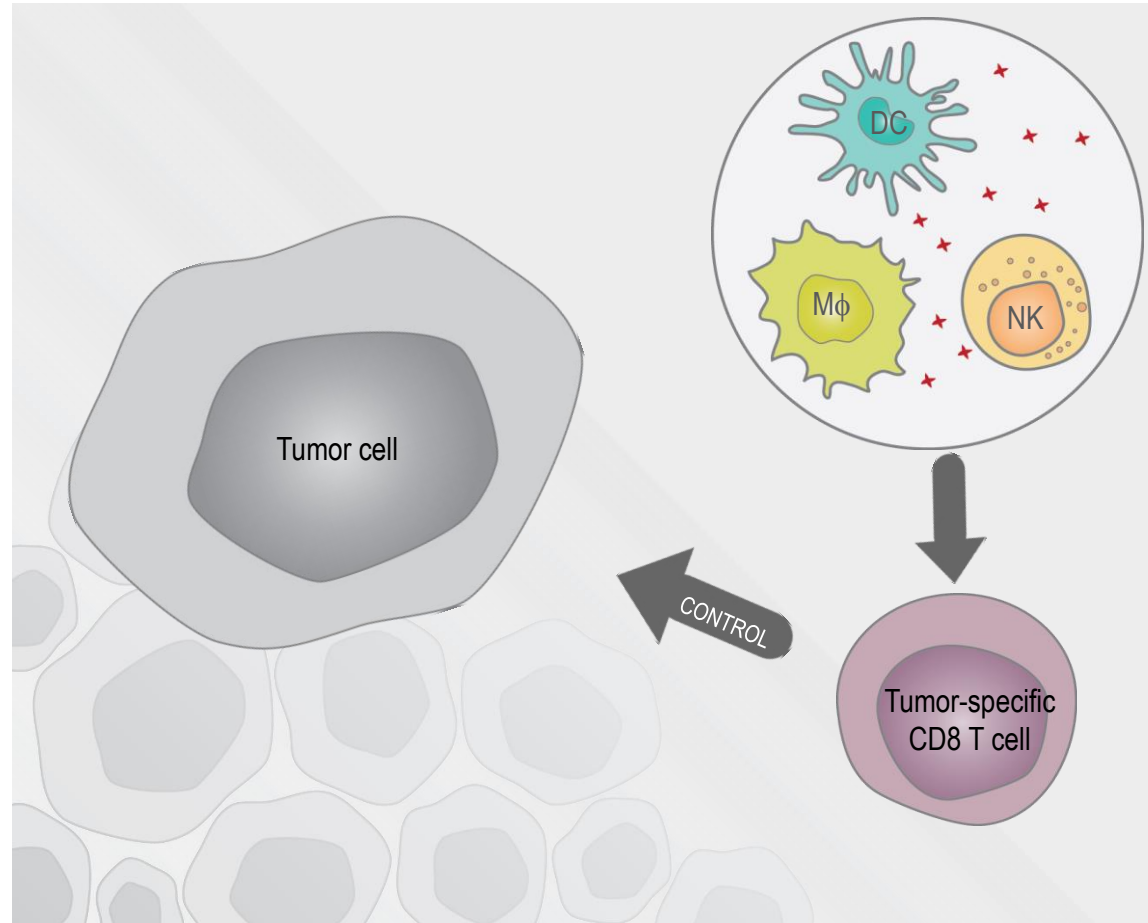
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- Identify new targets (cells and molecules)
- Identify biomarkers

A pivotal role of T cells in tumor immunity

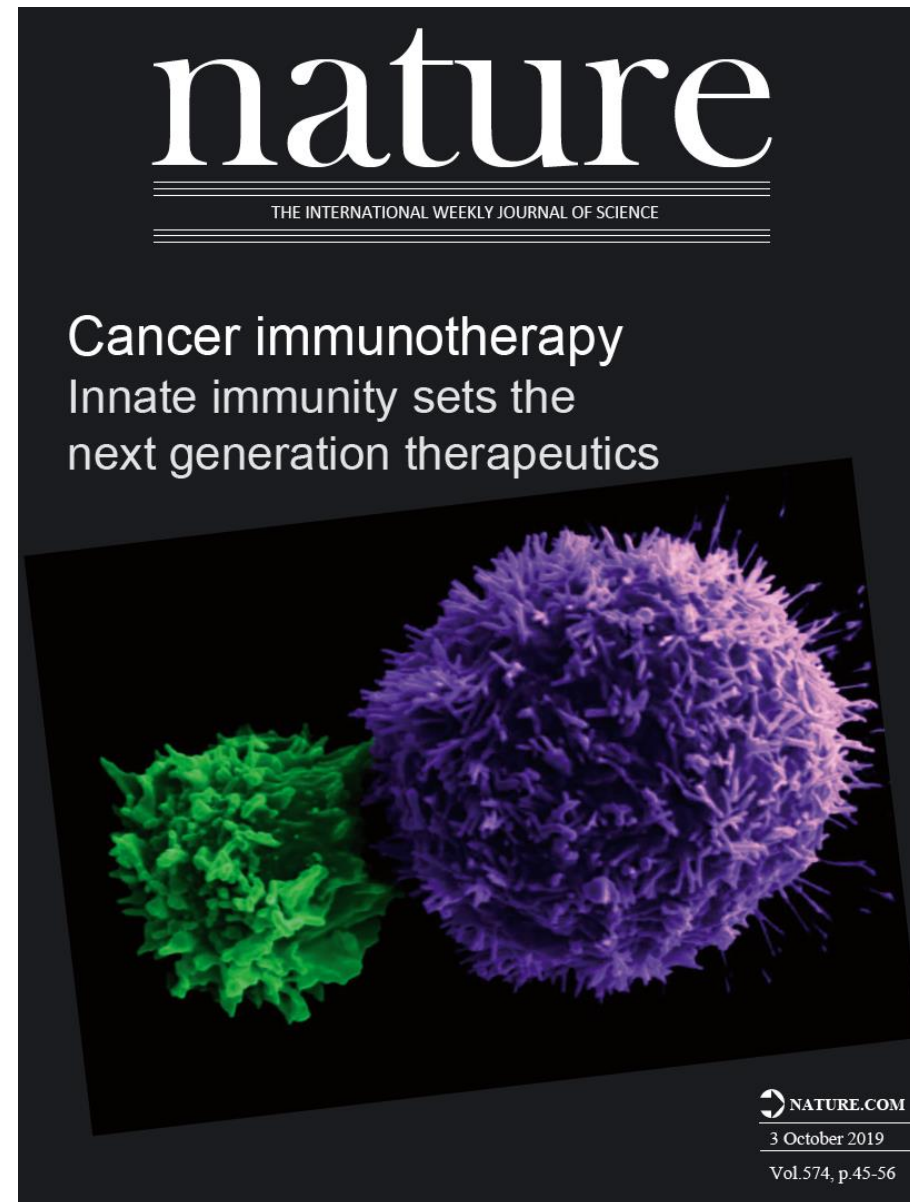


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T cells are NOT autonomous

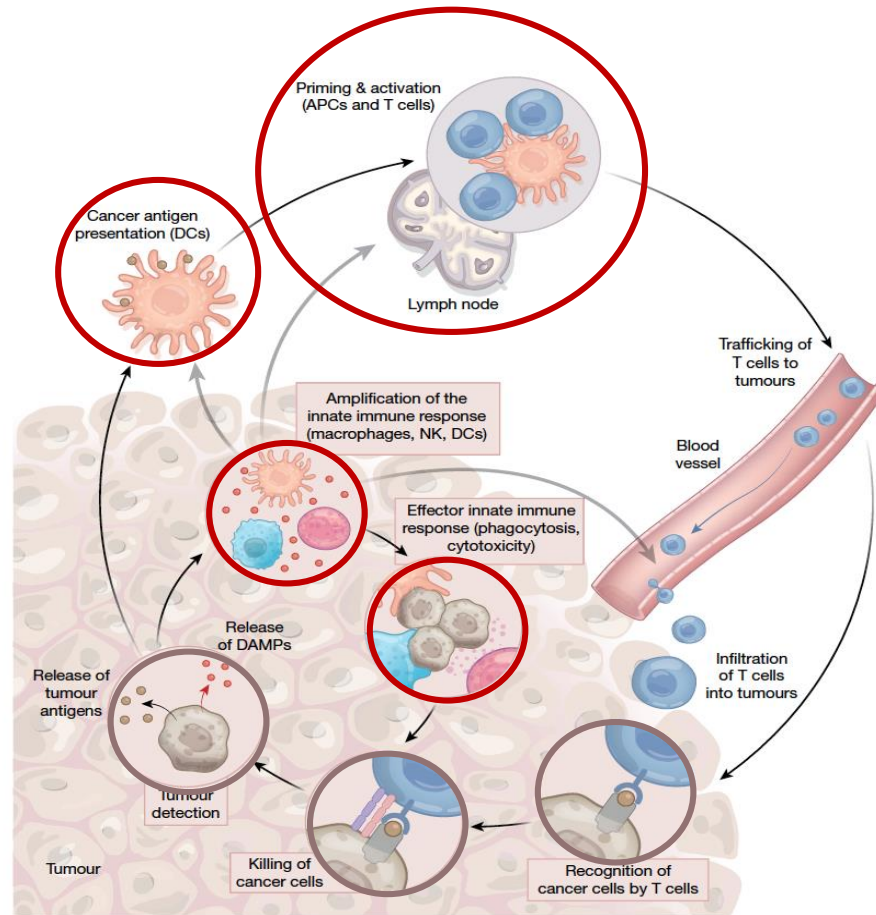


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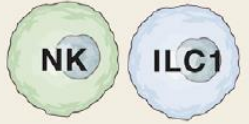



Innate immunity in the cancer immunity cycle



Demaria et al., Nature 2019

Targeting Innate Immunity in Cancer





Innate Lymphoid cells

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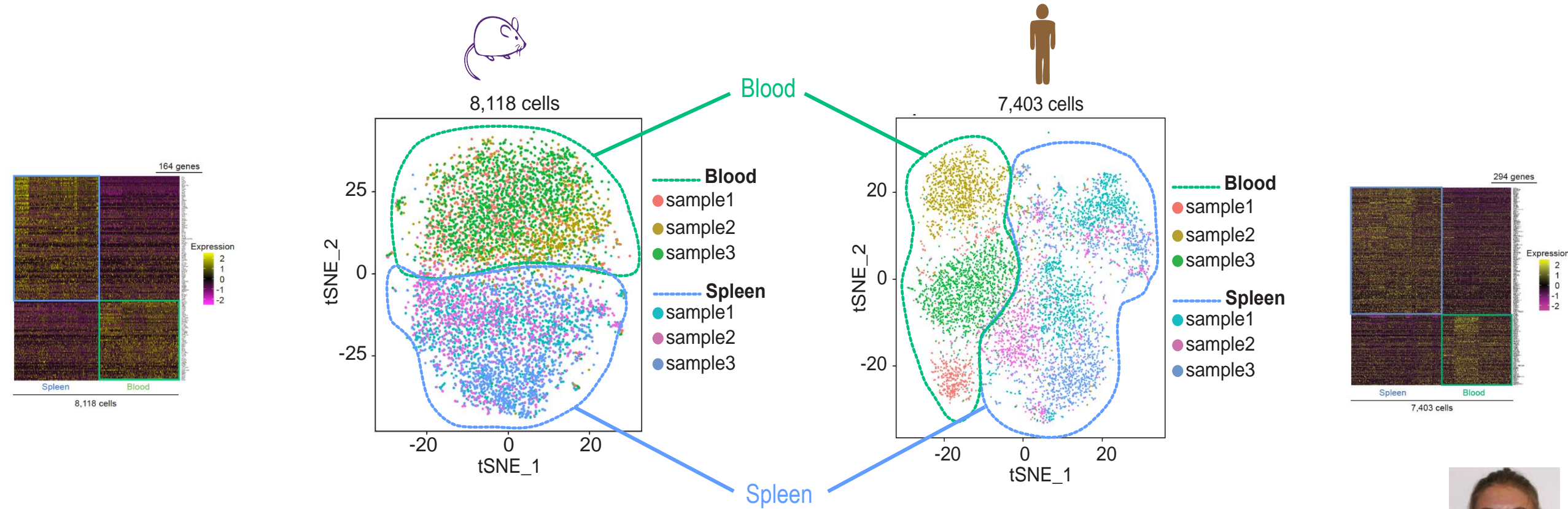
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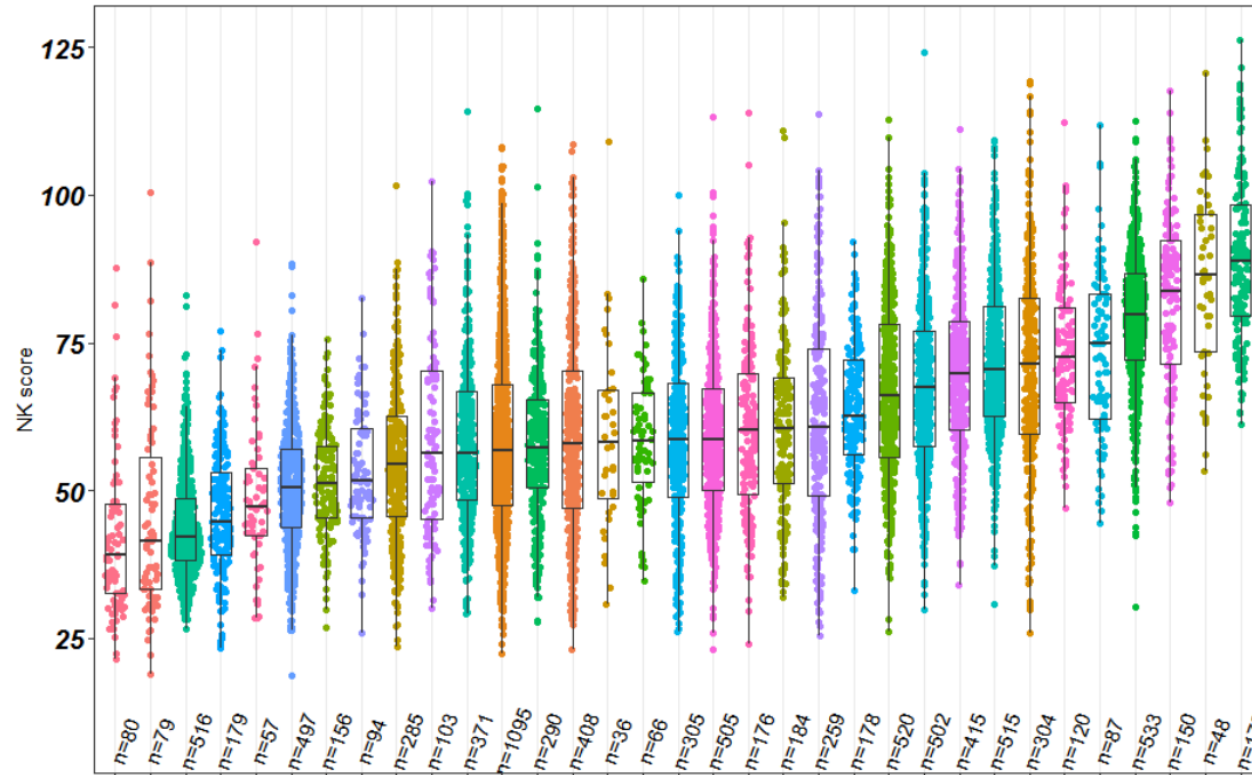
Profiling NK cells across organs and species



Crinier et al., Immunity 2018

NK cell infiltration at the tumor bed

Using NK cell
transcriptomic
signature

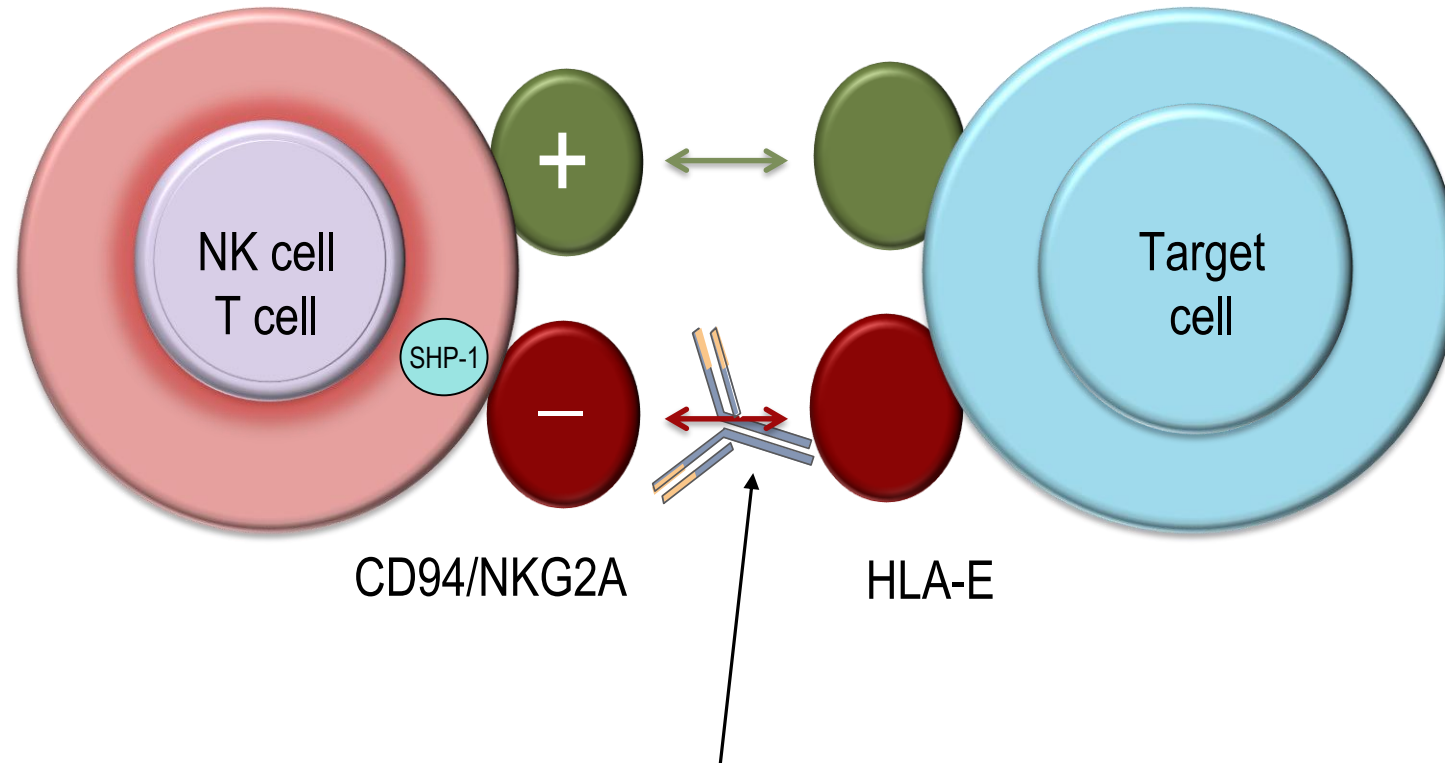


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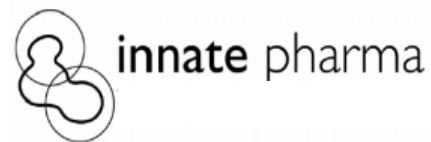
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Blocking anti-NKG2A mAb: a novel immune checkpoint inhibitor in cancer immunotherapy

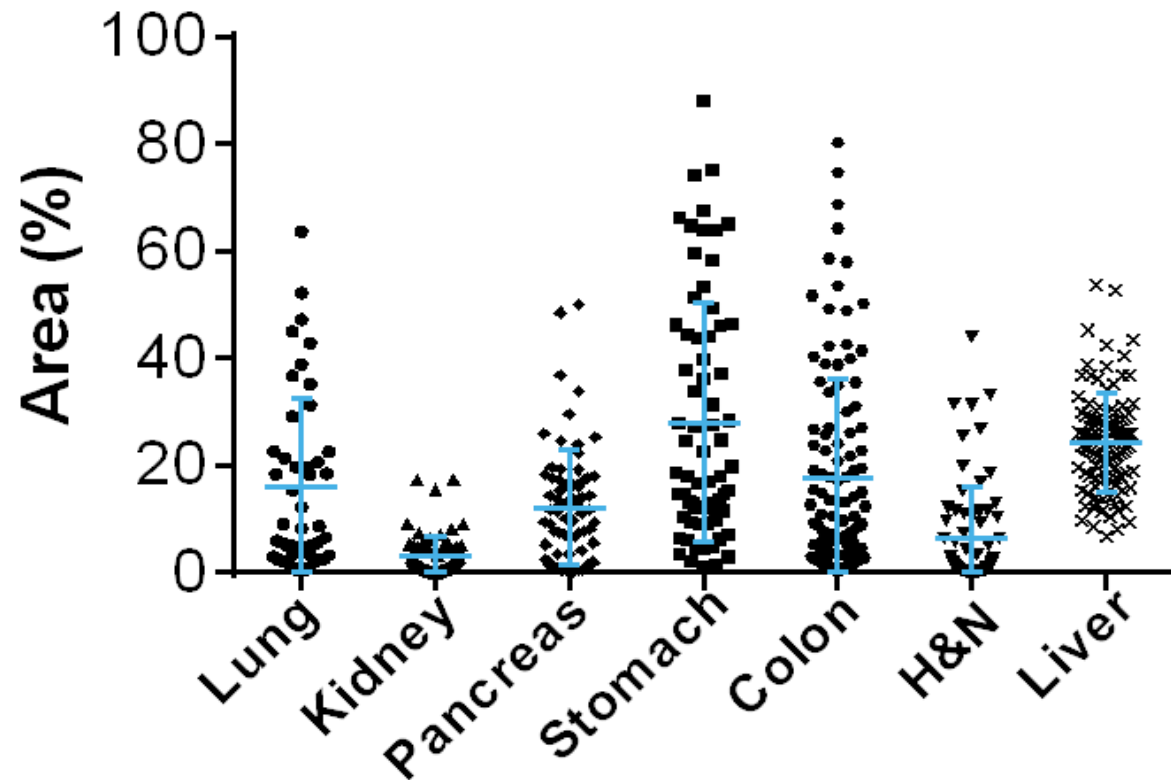


MONALIZUMAB (IPH2201) IS A FIRST-IN-CLASS ANTI-NKG2A HUMANIZED IGG4 BLOCKING MAB

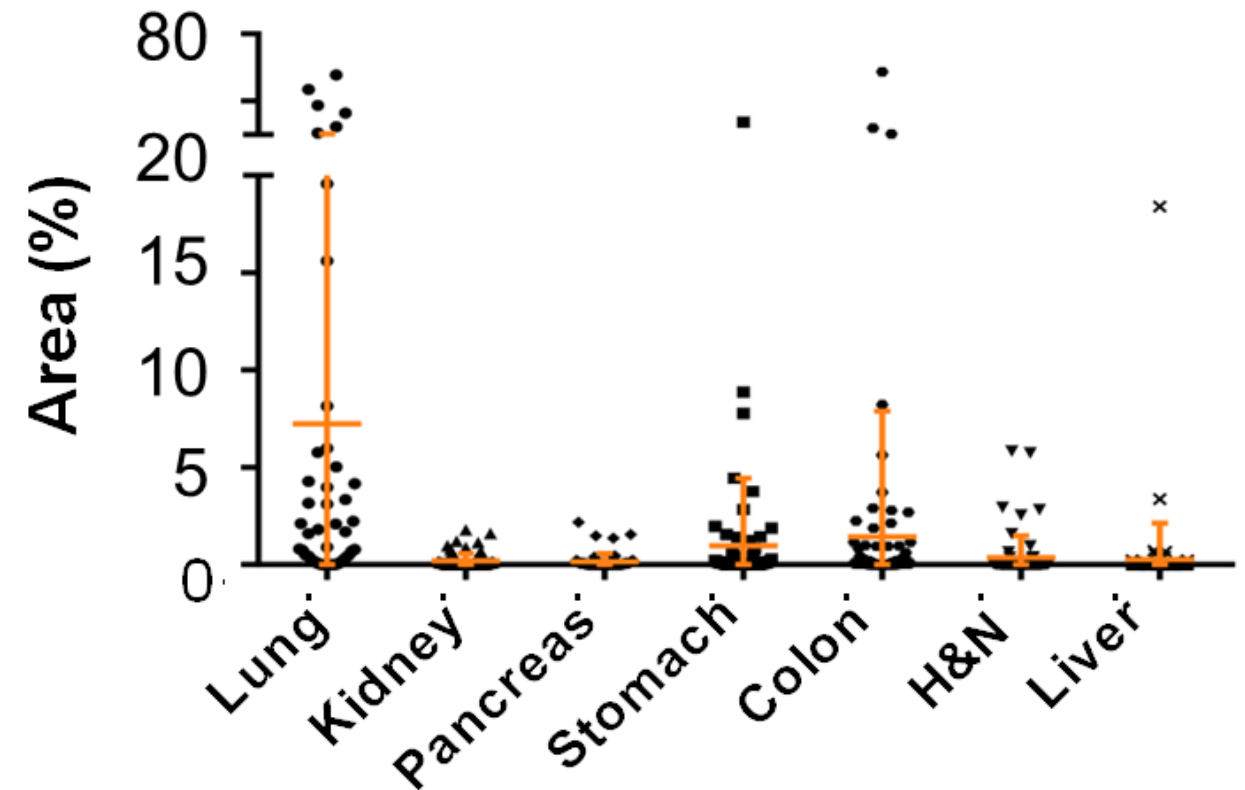


HLA-E expression in human solid tumors

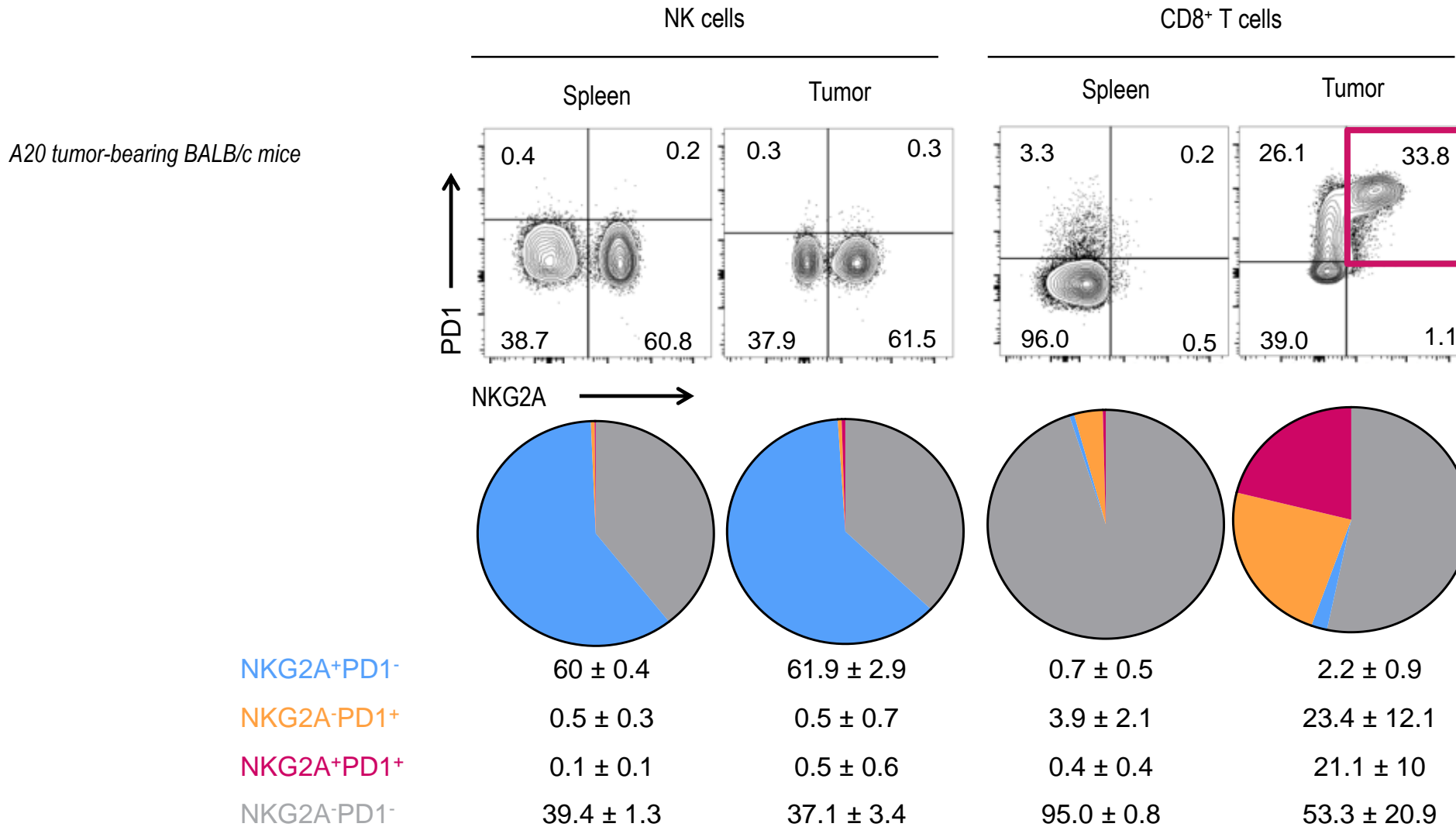
HLA-E



PD-L1

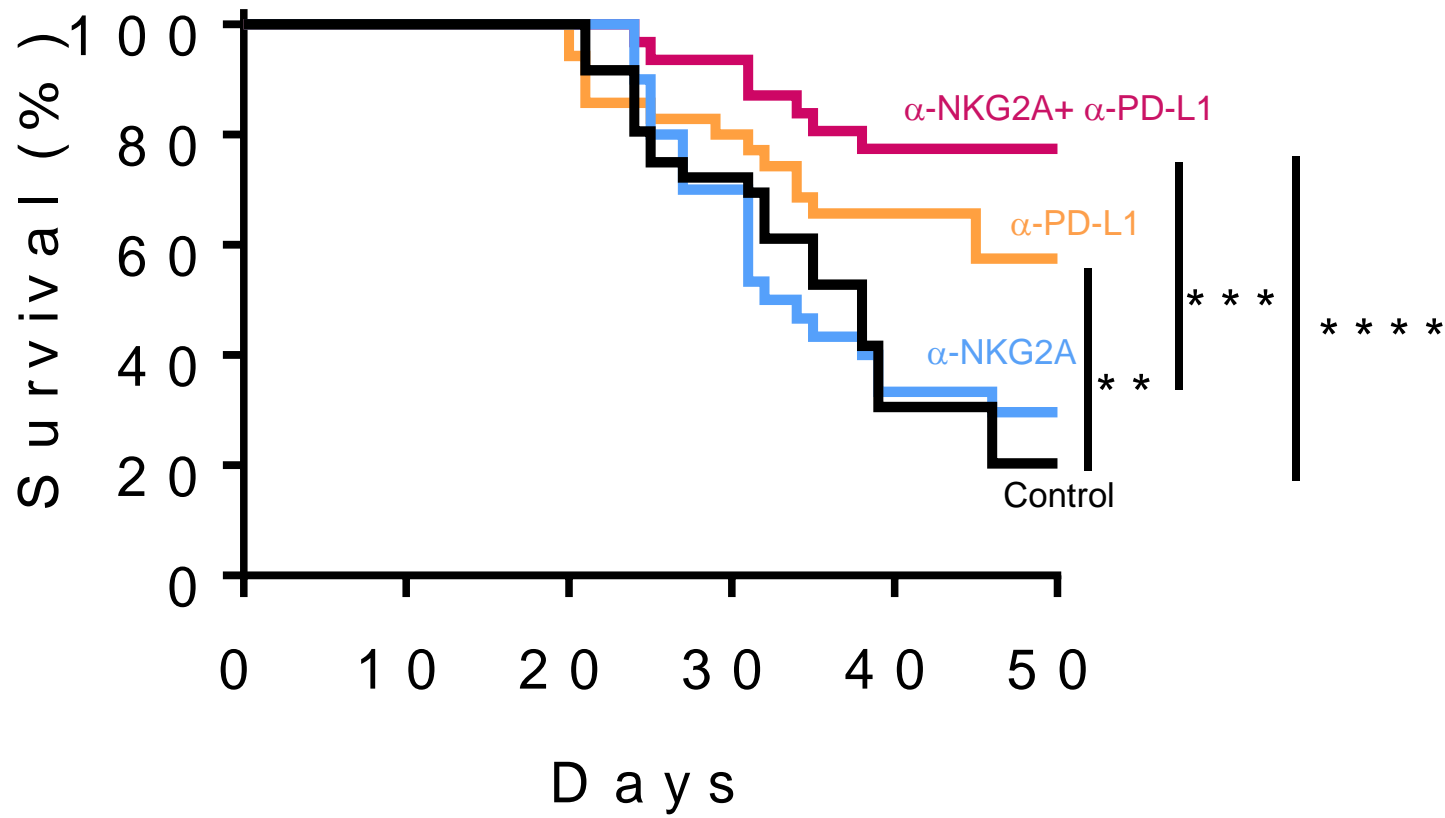


Co-expression of NKG2A and PD-1



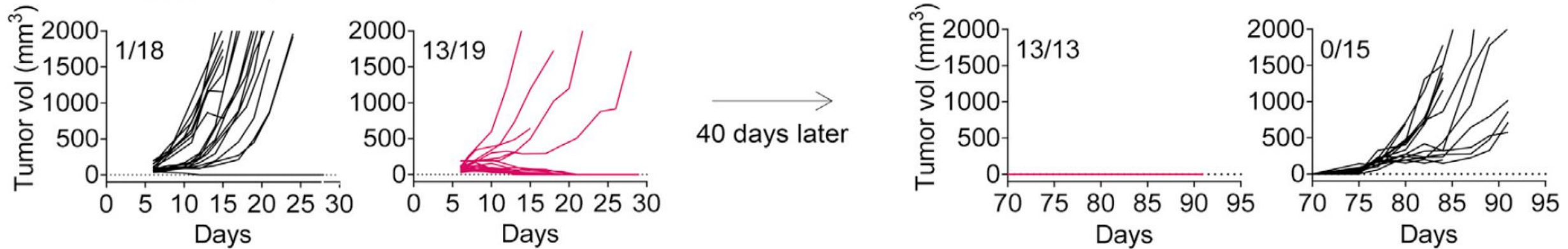
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A20 tumor-bearing BALB/c mice



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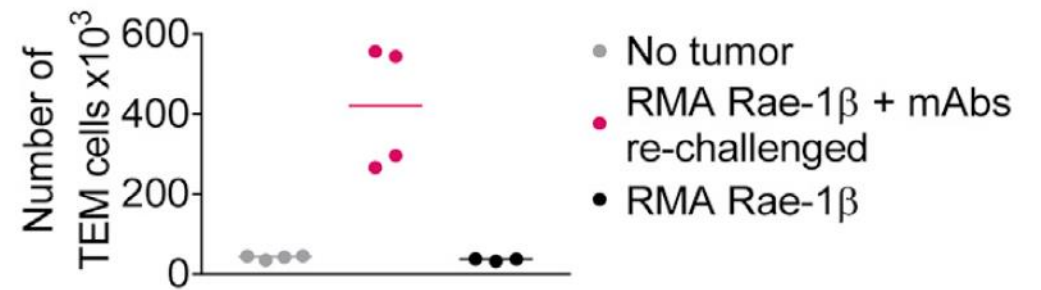
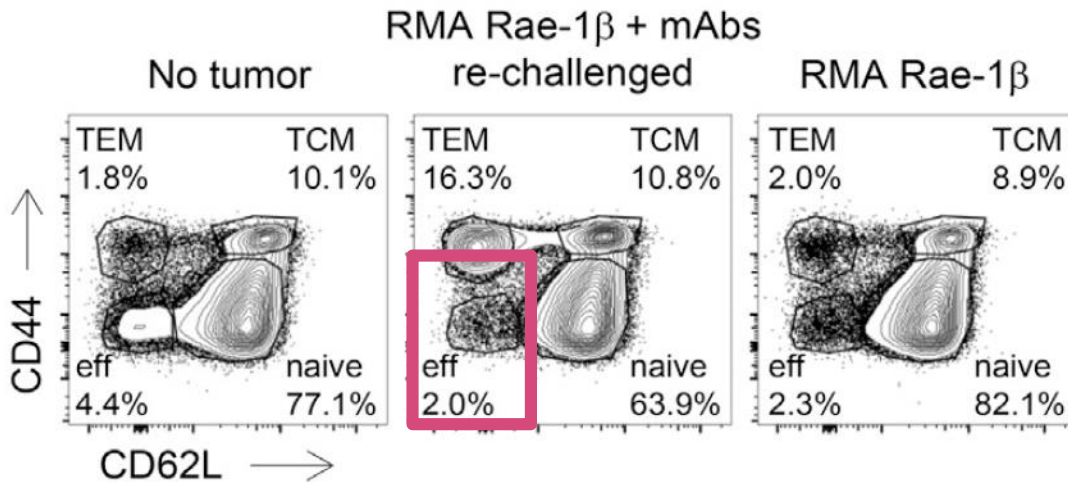
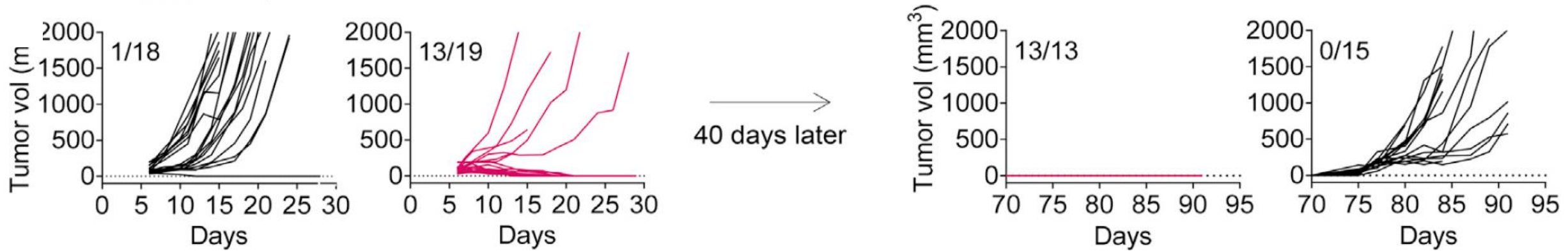
Control / anti-NKG2A + anti-PD-L1



RMA Rae-1 β tumor-bearing C57/BL6 mice

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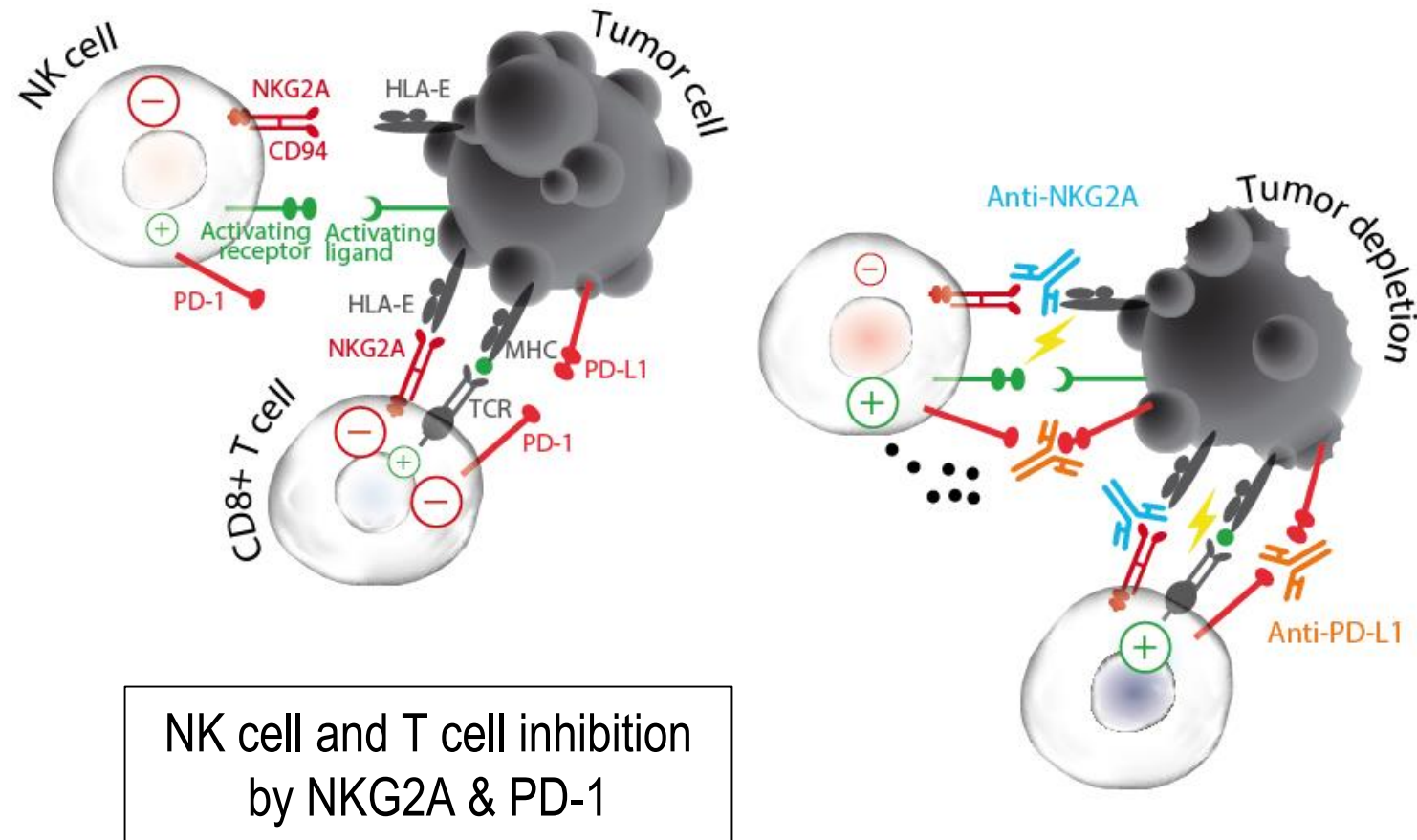
Control / anti-NKG2A + anti-PD-L1



Anti-NKG2A as a novel immune checkpoint inhibitor in cancer

- Tumor infiltrating NK and CD8⁺ T cells expressing NKG2A and/or PD-1 are present in several cancer types
- HLA-E is expressed by tumor cells in the large majority of solid tumors
- Blocking both NKG2A/HLA-E and PD-1/PD-L1 pathways can enhance responses of NK and CD8⁺ T cells

Combination of monalizumab and durvalumab in cancer immunotherapy



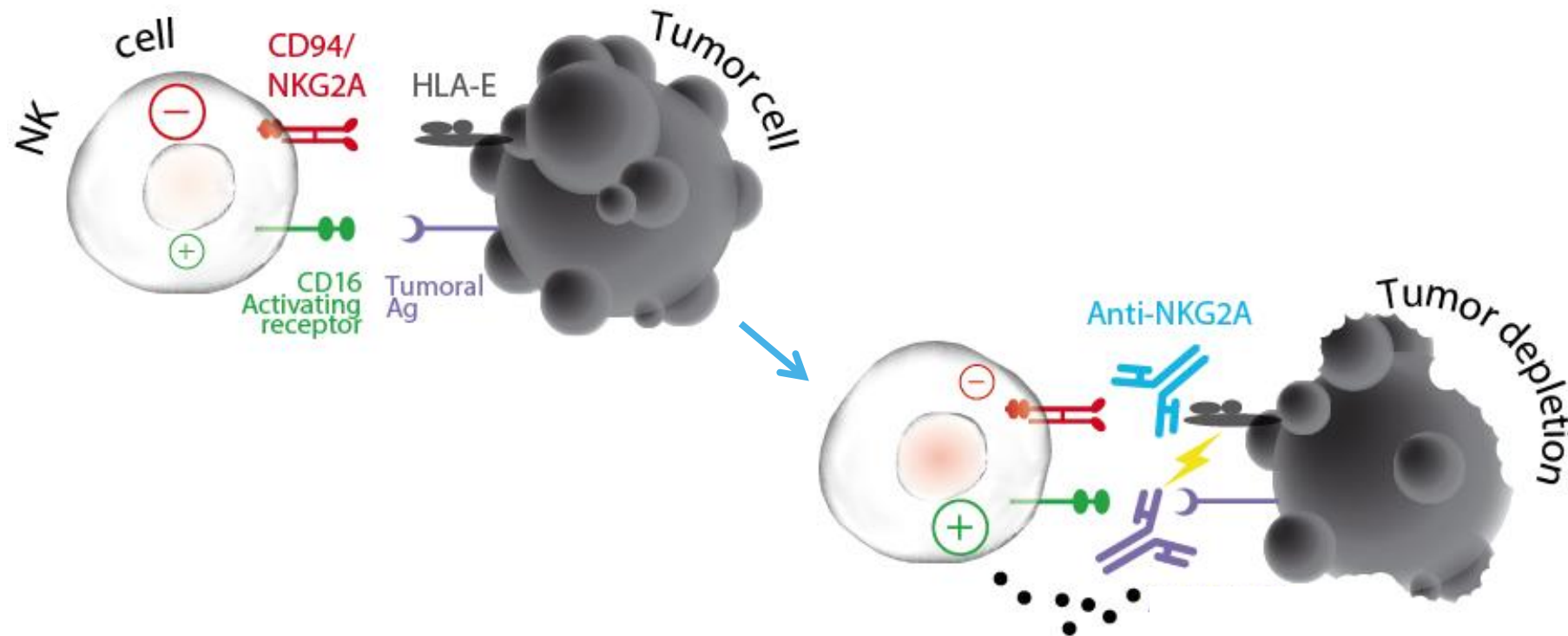
In vitro data support the rationale for ongoing clinical trial investigating the combination monalizumab/durvalumab

Monalizumab
(anti-NKG2A)

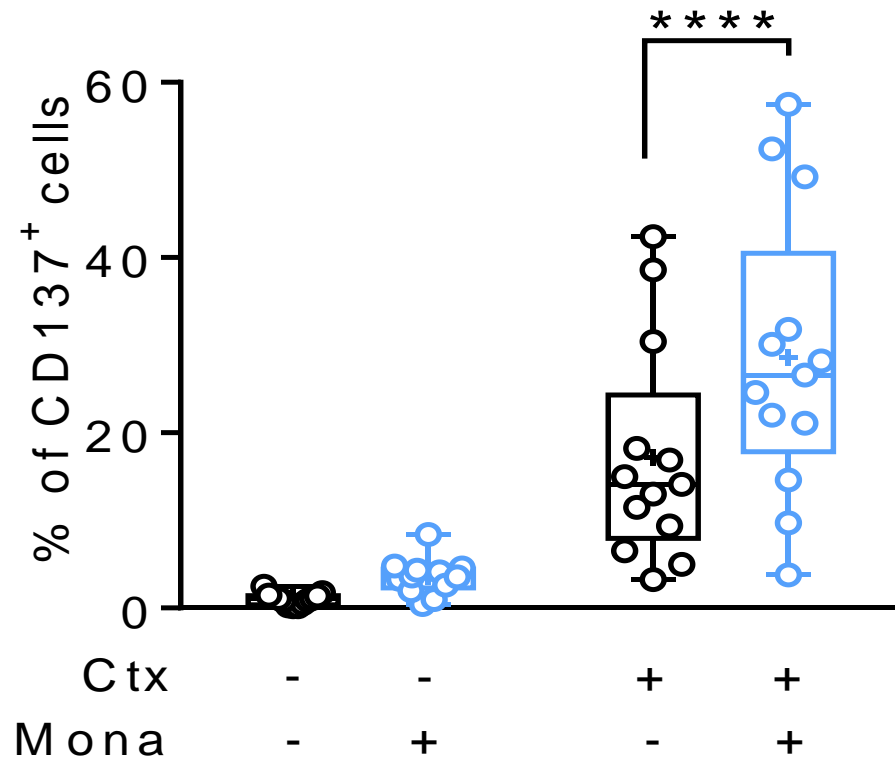
Durvalumab
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Activation by NKG2A &
PD-L1 blockade

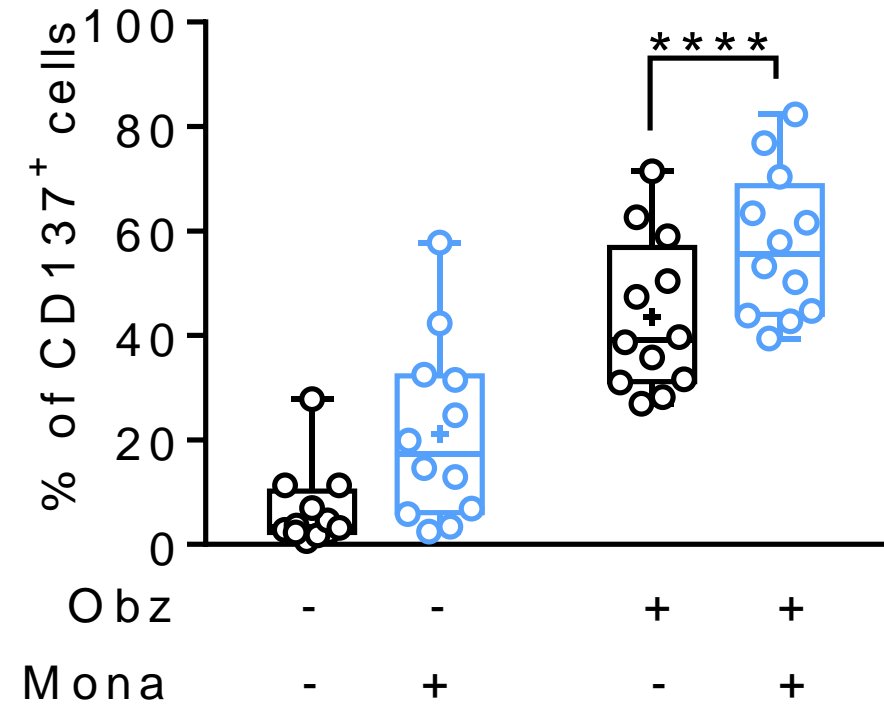
Can the NKG2A immune checkpoint blockade potentiate ADCC?



Monalizumab enhances human NK cell-mediated ADCC

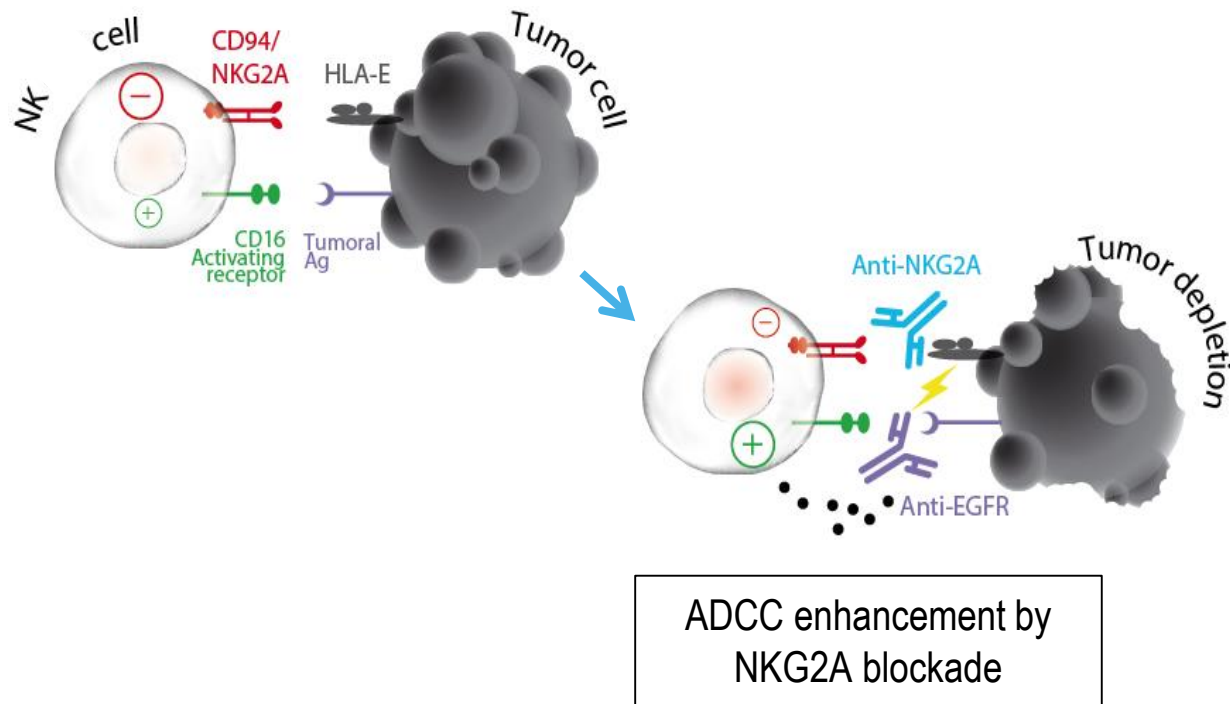


Ctx: cetuximab (anti-EGFR)



Obz: obinutuzumab (anti-CD20)

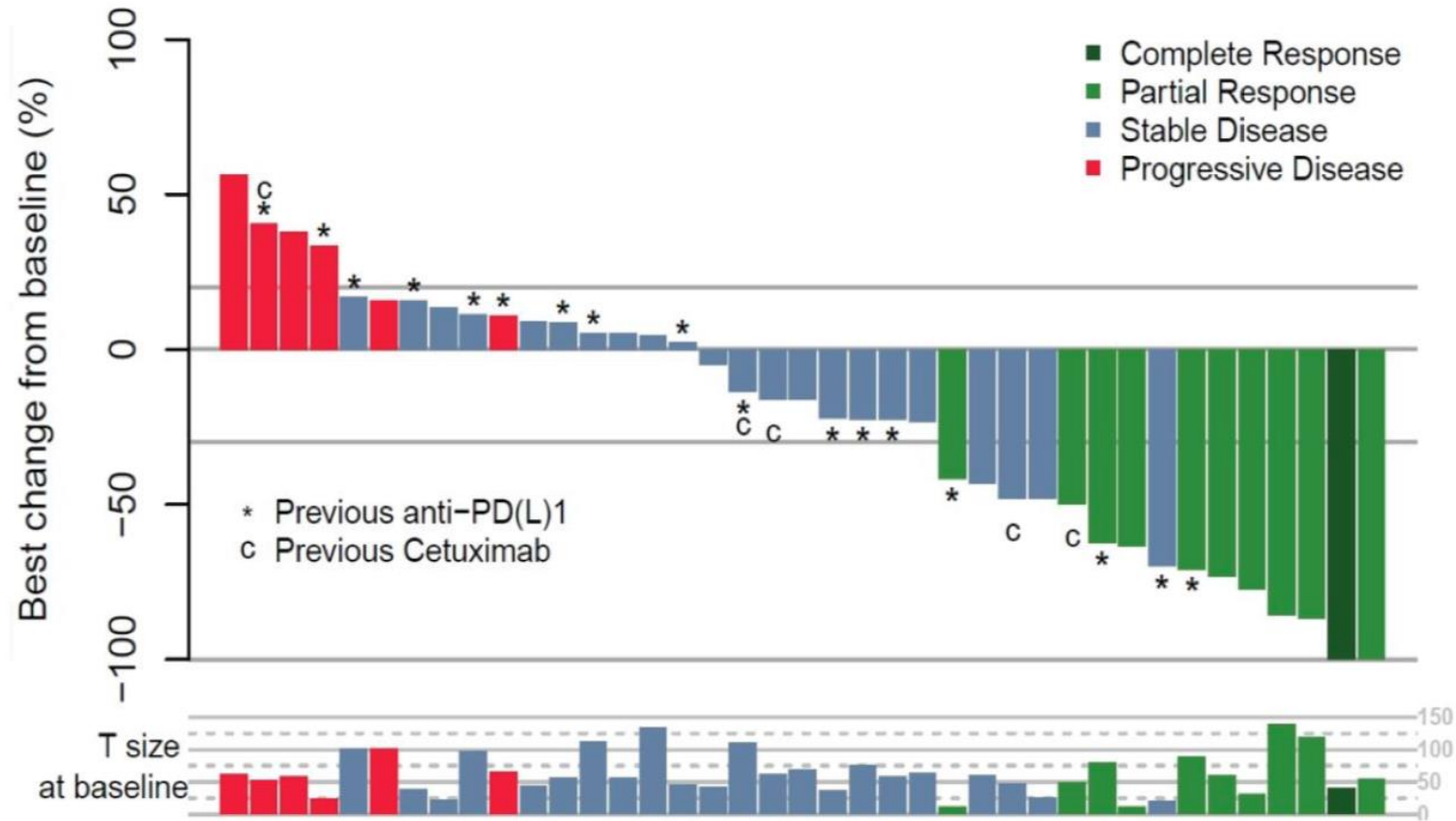
NKG2A immune checkpoint blockade potentiates cetuximab-induced ADCC in head and neck cancer



- SCCHN are infiltrated by NK and CD8⁺ T cells expressing CD94/NKG2A
- HN tumor cells express HLA-E
- NKG2A blockade enhances cetuximab-mediated ADCC towards HN tumor cell lines
- These data support the rationale for investigating monalizumab in SCCHN patients and in combination with cetuximab in clinical trials (NCT02643550)

Monalizumab + Cetuximab combo in Head & Neck cancer

Best change of tumor size from baseline

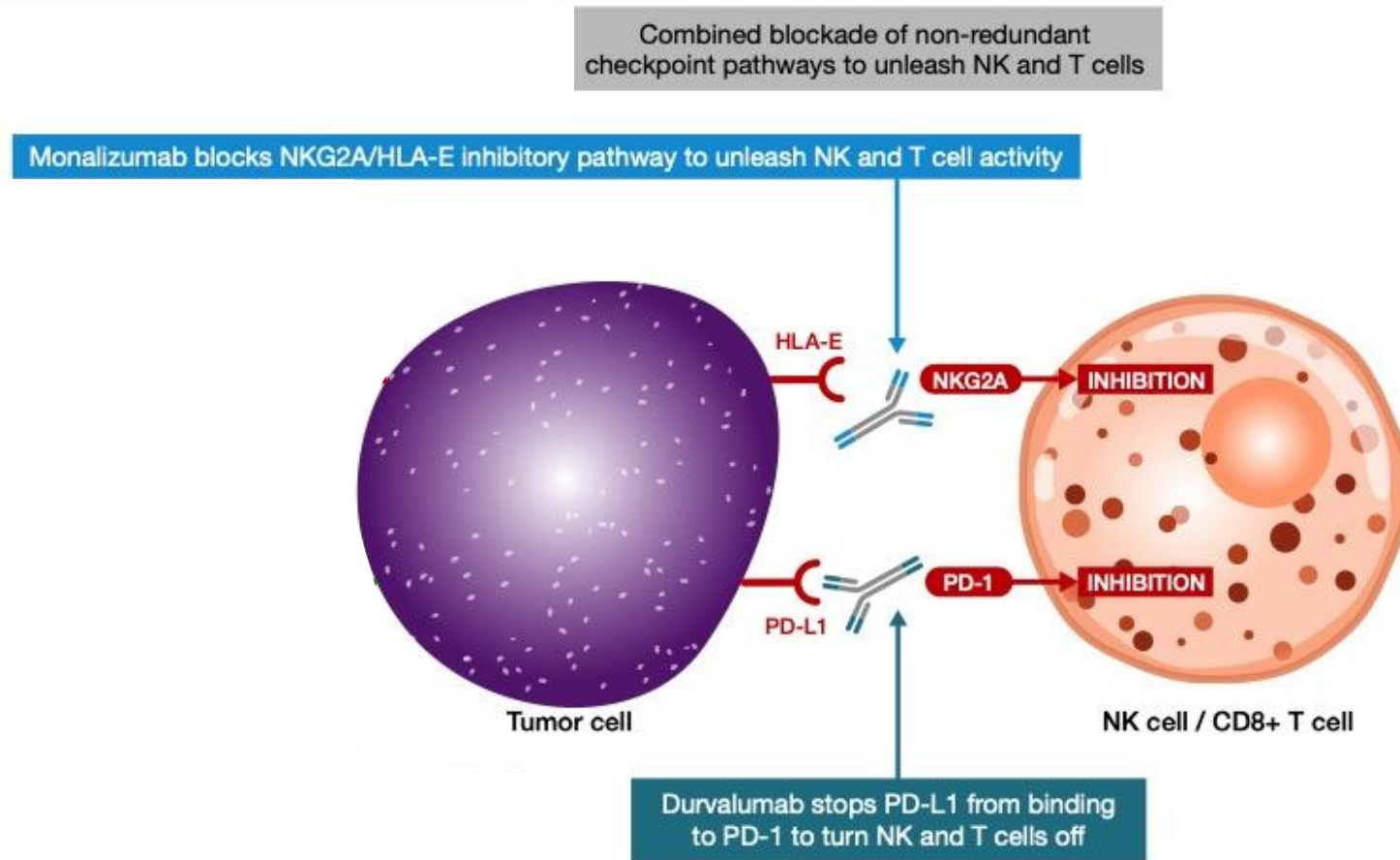


Key highlights from the Phase II of monalizumab in combination with cetuximab in patients with R/M SCHN

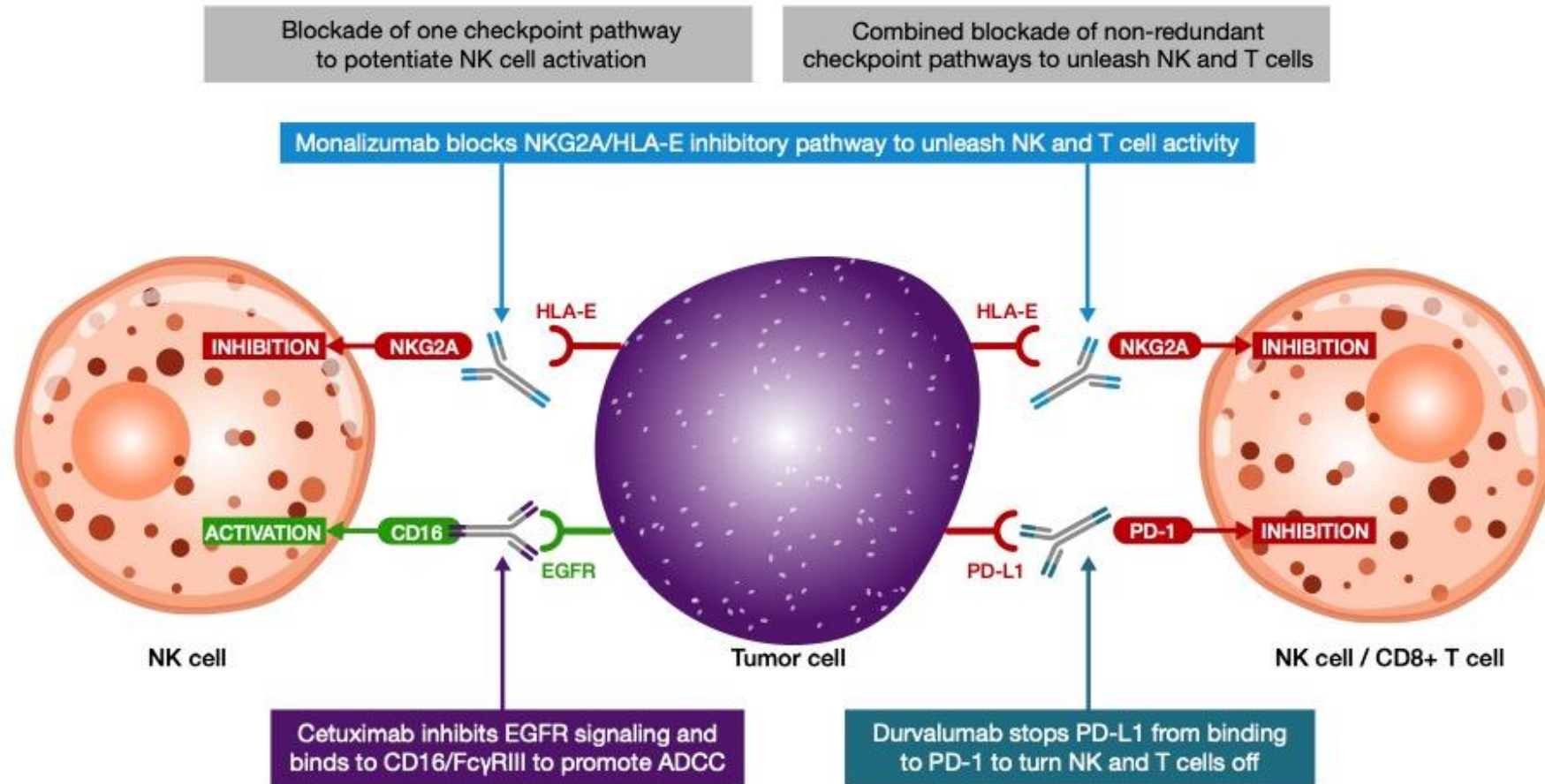
- Cohort of 40 patients of heavily pretreated SCCHN patients
- **Acceptable safety profile:** no potentiation of cetuximab side effects
- **A high response rate** of 27.5%
- **Promising overall survival:** with a median follow-up of 17 months, median OS is 8.5 months (14.1 months in IO-pretreated patients and 7.8 in IO-naïve patients, respectively), and a 12-month OS of 44% (60% in IO-pretreated and 32% in IO-naïve patients, respectively)
- Responses were observed in platinum-resistant patients, HPV positive and negative patients, and IO-naïve and IO-pretreated patients

	All n=40	IO Naïve n=22	IO Pretreated n=18
Best overall response			
Complete Response n (%)	1 (2.5%)	1 (4.5%)	0 (0%)
Partial response n (%)	10 (25%)	7 (32%)	3 (17%)
Stable disease n (%)	22 (55%)	10 (45.5%)	12 (66%)
Progressive disease n (%)	7 (17.5%)	4 (18%)	3 (17%)
Overall Response Rate % [95%CI]	27.5% [16-43]	36% [20-57]	17% [6-39]
Disease Control Rate at 24 weeks [95%CI]	37.5% [24-53]	36% [20-57]	39% [20-61]
Median Time to Response [95%CI]	1.6 months [1.5- 3.9]	1.7 months [1.5- 3.9]	1.6 months [1.6- 3.1]
Median Duration of Response [95%CI]	5.6 months [4.2-NR]	5.3 months [4.2-NR]	5.6 months [3.7-NR]
Median progression free survival [95%CI]	4.5 months [3.5-5.8]	3.9 months [3.5-6.9]	5.1 months [3.5-8.8]
Median overall survival (OS) [95%CI]	8.5 months [7.5.-16.4]	7.8 months [6.9-15.8]	14.1 months [8.0.-NR]
12 months OS [95%CI]	44% [31-63]	32% [17-59]	60% [41-88]

Monalizumab: a large spectrum immune checkpoint inhibitor



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André et al., Cell 2018

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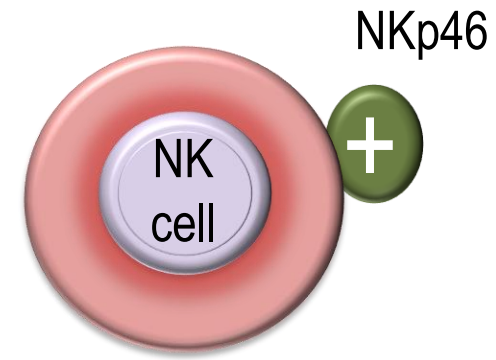
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NKp46 is a conserved activating cell surface receptor

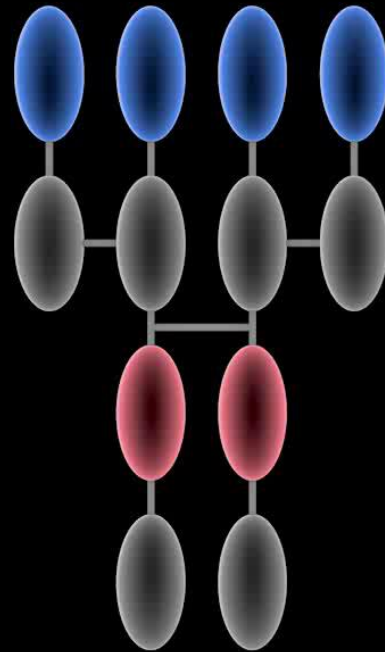


Comparing mouse and human data

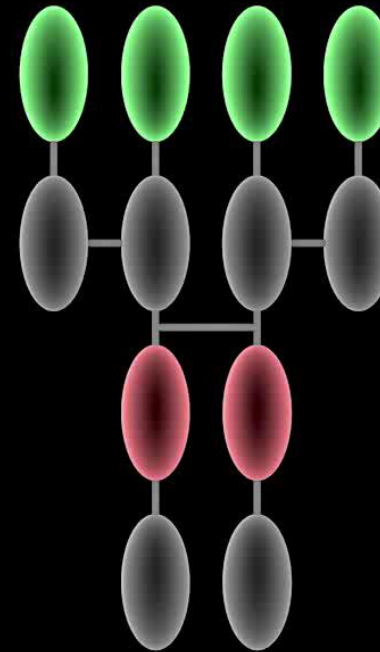
(65-75 Mya differences between mice and humans)



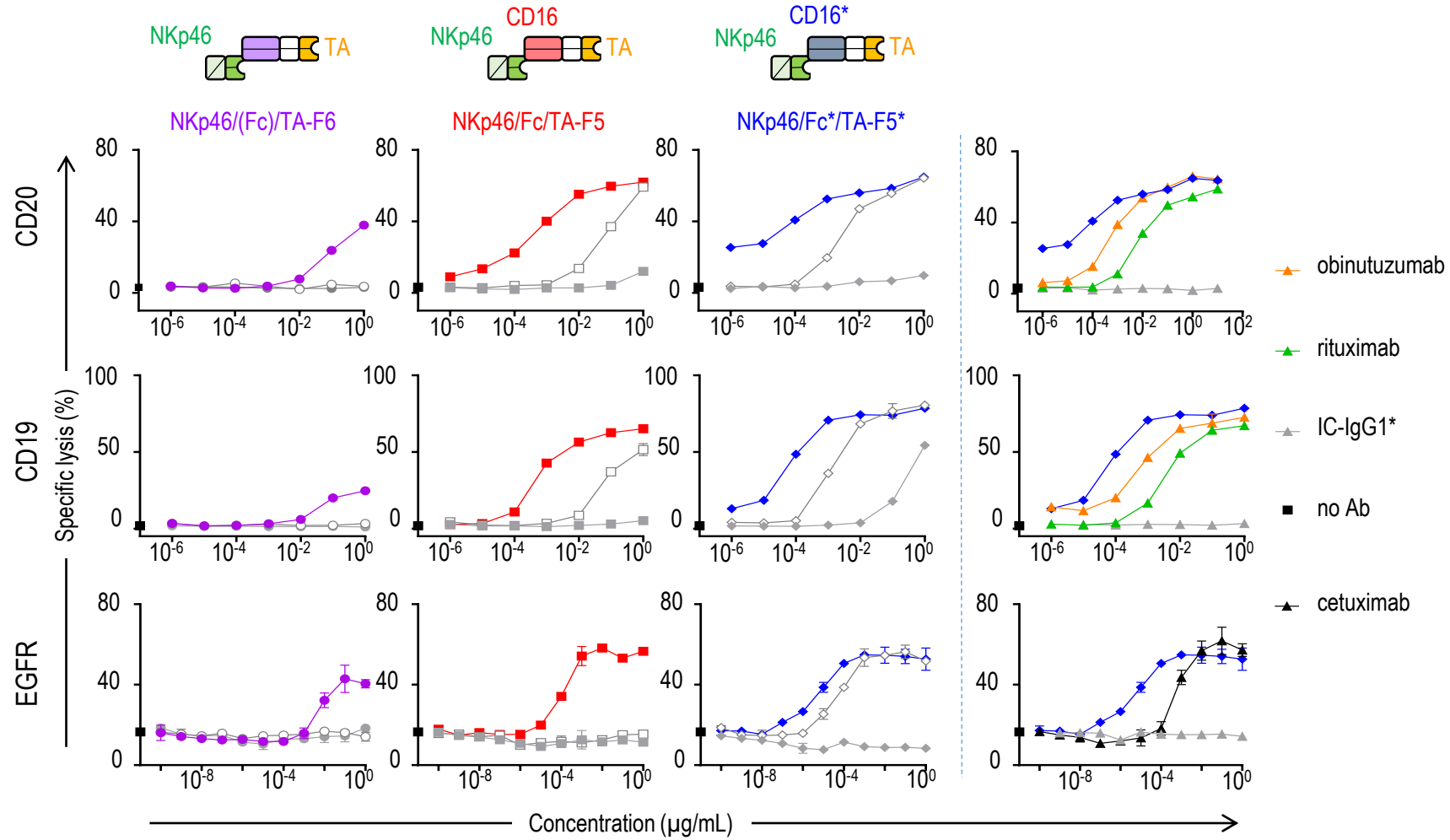
Anti-NKp46 antibody



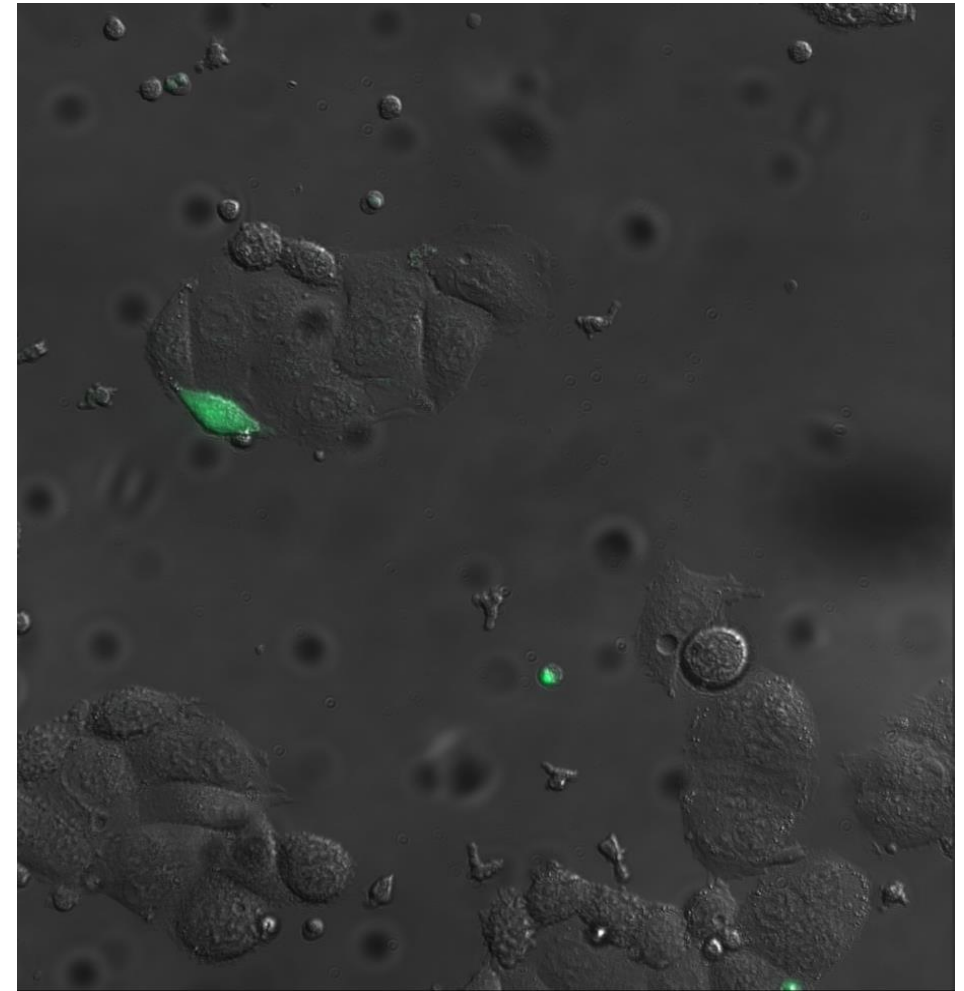
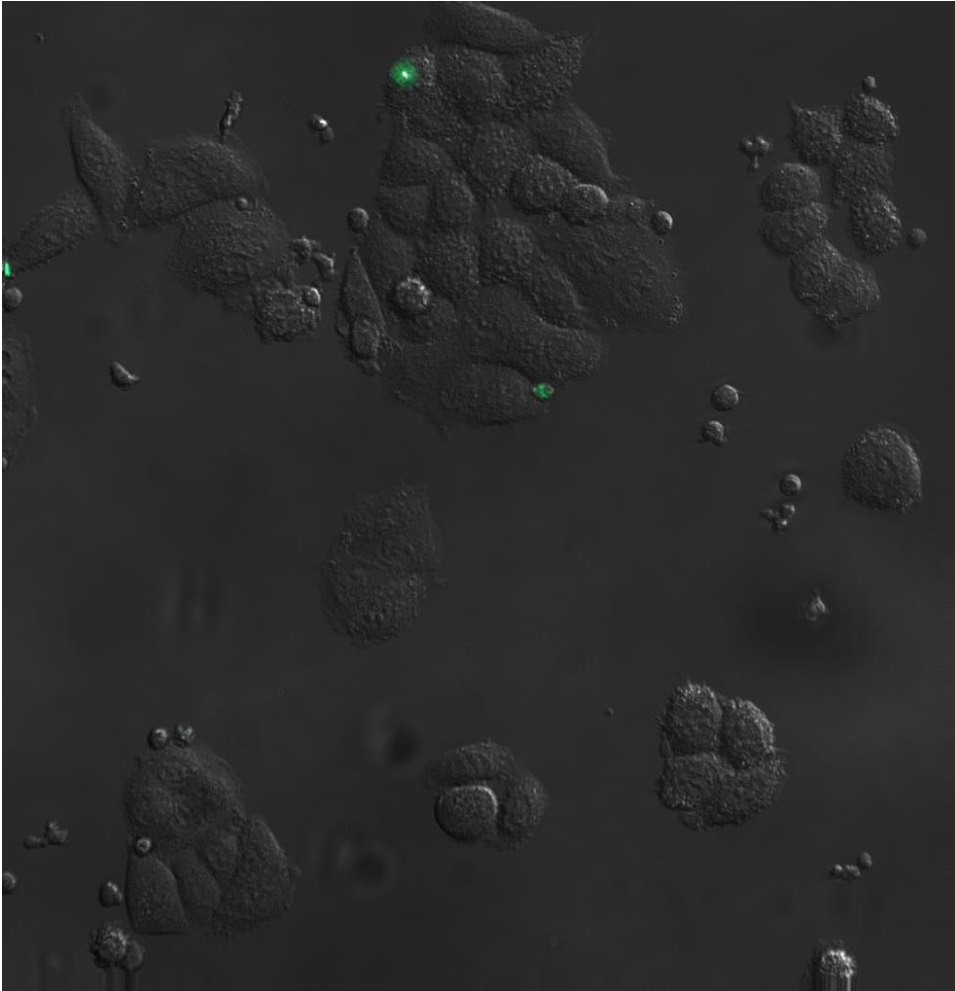
Anti-tumor antigen antibody



Trifunctional NKCEs promoting ADCC are more efficient than bispecific mAbs

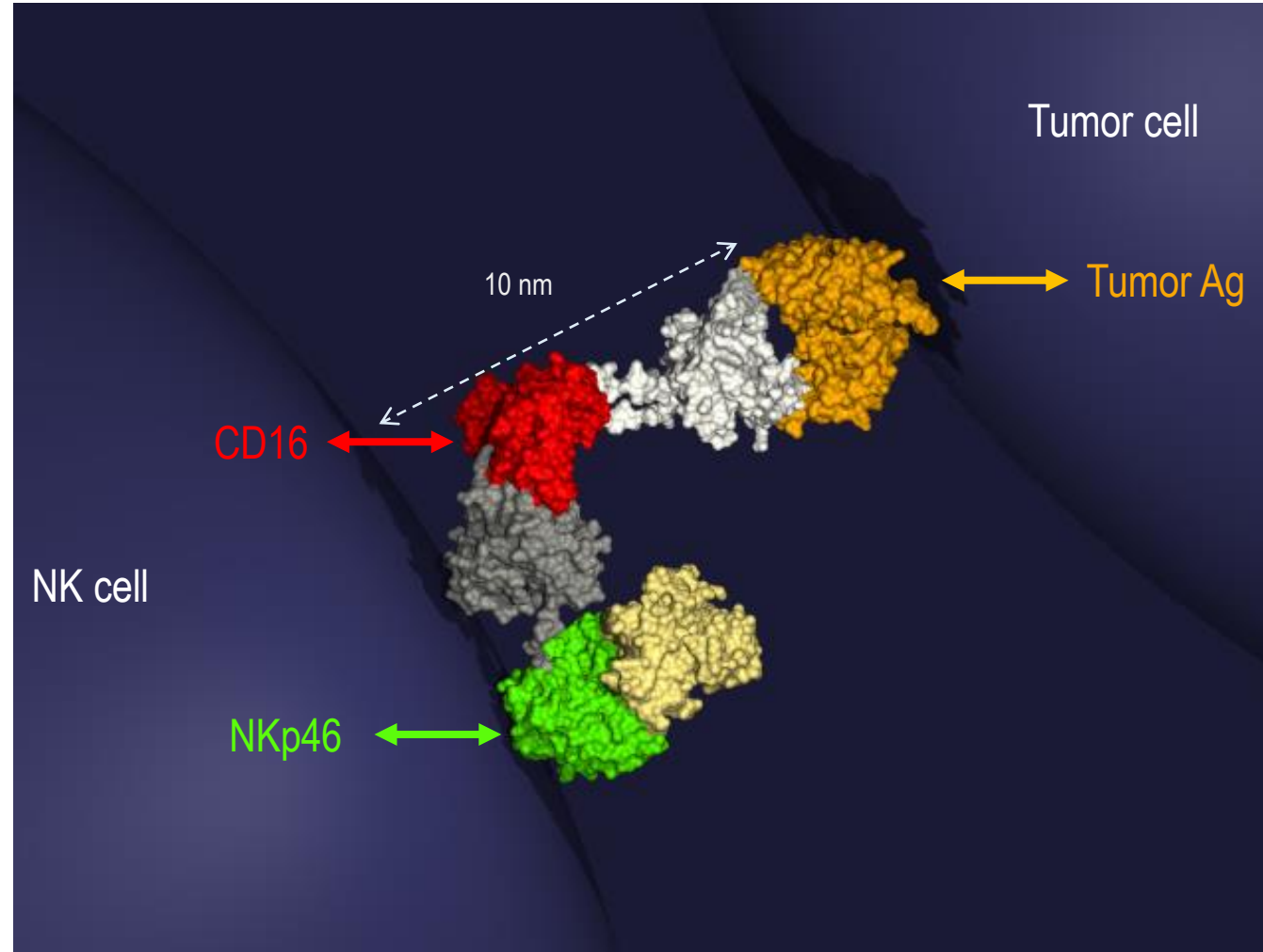
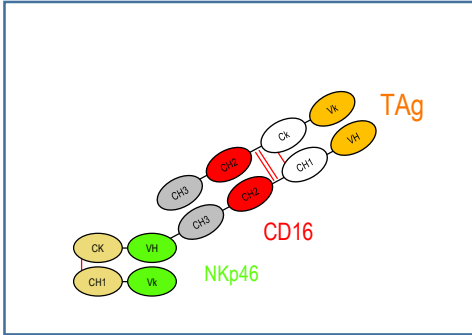


NKp46 NK cell engagers



Video-microscopy: Mathieu Fallet / Sébastien Mailfert / CIML / CNRS / France Bio-Imaging

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Next generation IO

3 strategic key pillars to harness the potential of immunity

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Immune
Checkpoints
MONALIZUMAB

André et al., Cell 2018

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Tumor
Targeting
NK CELL ENGAGERS

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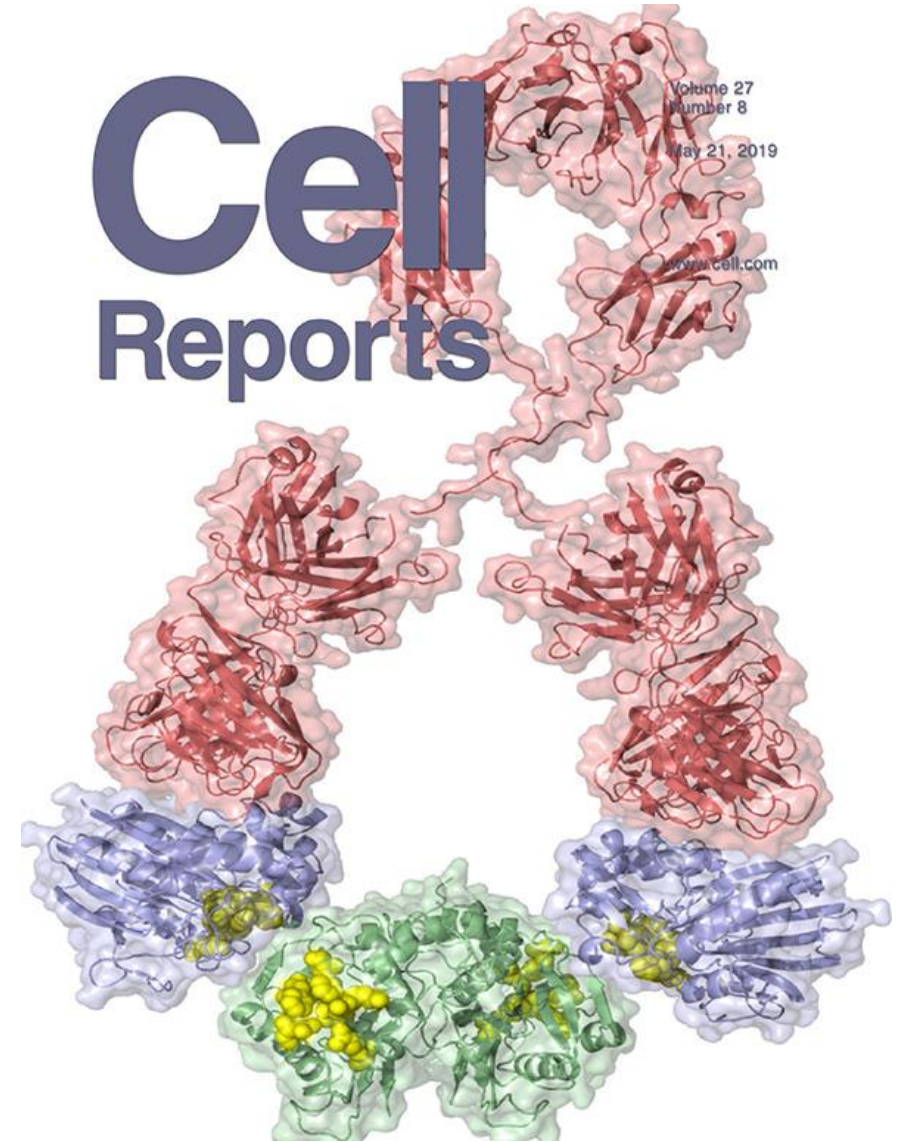
*Perrot, Paturel et al.,
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Blocking Antibodies Targeting the CD39/CD73 Immunosuppressive Pathway Unleash Immune Responses in Combination Cancer Therapies



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- IPH5301, a CD73 blocking antibody targeting the adenosine immunosuppressive pathway for cancer immunotherapy, Poster P323
Friday November 8 | 12:30 - 2 pm & 6:30 – 8 pm
- IPH5201, a blocking antibody targeting the CD39 immunosuppressive pathway, unleashes immune responses in combination with cancer therapies, Poster P488
Saturday November 9 | 12:35 - 2:05 pm & 7 - 8:30 pm
- IPH5401 anti-human C5aR antibody targets suppressive myeloid cells in the TME, Poster P268
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- Multifunctional natural killer cell engagers targeting NKp46 trigger protective tumor immunity, Poster P776
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