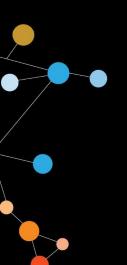
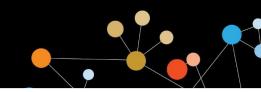




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Reactivating the anti-tumor immune response by targeting innate and adaptive immunity in a phase I/II study of intratumoral IMO-2125 in combination with systemic ipilimumab in patients with anti-PD-1 refractory metastatic melanoma

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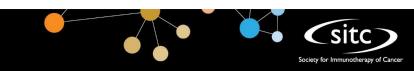
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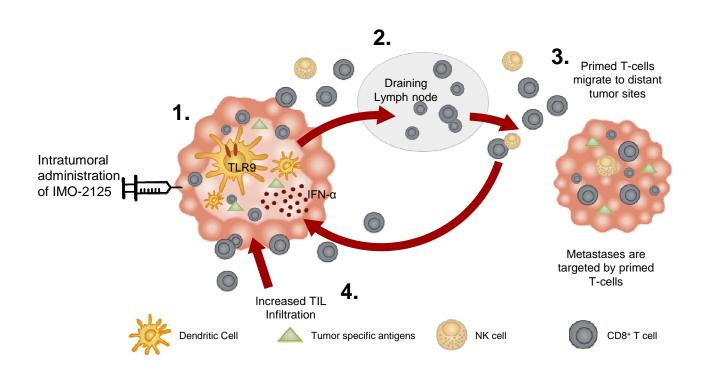
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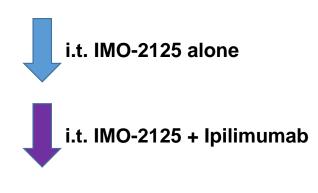


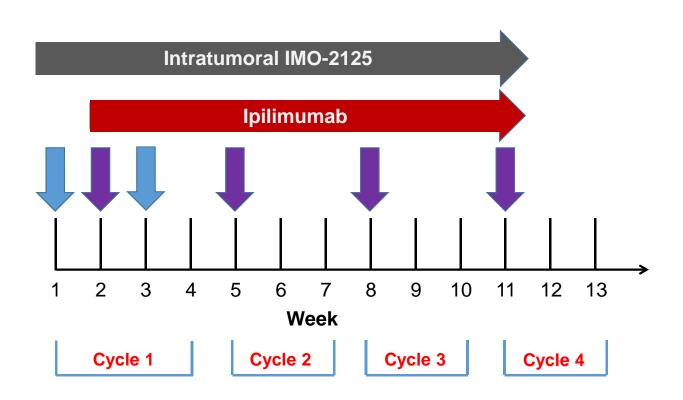
# Modulation of the tumor microenvironment by intratumoral administration of the TLR9 agonist IMO-2125





# Arm 1 Trial Design (NCT02644967)







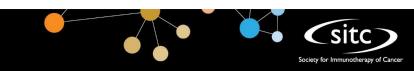
## Key Enrollment Criteria

#### **Inclusion Criteria**

- Diagnosis of metastatic melanoma with stage III (in transit lesions), IVA, IVB, or IVC disease
- Progressive disease after treatment with PD-1 inhibitor
- ≥ 2 measurable tumor lesions ≥ 1.0 cm
- ≥ 18 years
- ECOG ≤ 2
- Adequate renal, bone marrow, liver and cardiac function

#### **Exclusion Criteria**

- Received therapy with prior TLR agonist therapy
- Symptomatic, unstable or progressing CNS, meningeal, or epidural disease
- Concurrent systemic steroid therapy higher than physiologic dose (7.5 mg/day of prednisone)
- Active autoimmune disease requiring disease-modifying therapy



## **Patient Characteristics**

Characteristics	N (%)
Age (yrs.)  • Mean  • Range	55 39-76
Male Female	6 (60%) 4 (40%)
BRAF V600E (+)	3 (30%)
Mucosal Melanoma	2 (20%)
Visceral Disease	8 (80%)
Brain Metastases (treated)	1 (10%)
Received anti-PD-1	10 (100%)
Received anti-CTLA-4	5 (50%)
Duration on anti-PD-1 therapy	8-63 weeks

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# Most Frequent Adverse Events

AE Preferred Term	AII, N (%)	Grade III, N (%)	Grade IV, N (%)	
Any	10 (100)	5 (50)	1 (10)	
Nausea	6 (60)	1 (10)	-	
Vomiting	5 (50)		-	
Anemia	4 (40)	1 (10)	-	
Diarrhea	4 (40)	2 (20)	-	
ALT increase	3 (30)	1 (10)	-	
AST increase	3 (30)	-	1 (10)	
Triglycerides increase	3 (30)	-	-	
Chills	3 (30)	-	-	
Fatigue	3 (30)	-	-	
Pyrexia	3 (30)	1 (10)	-	
Decreased WBC	3 (30)	-	-	

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# Safety Summary (N=10)

### IMO-2125 dosing cohort (ipi 3 mg/kg x 4 doses)

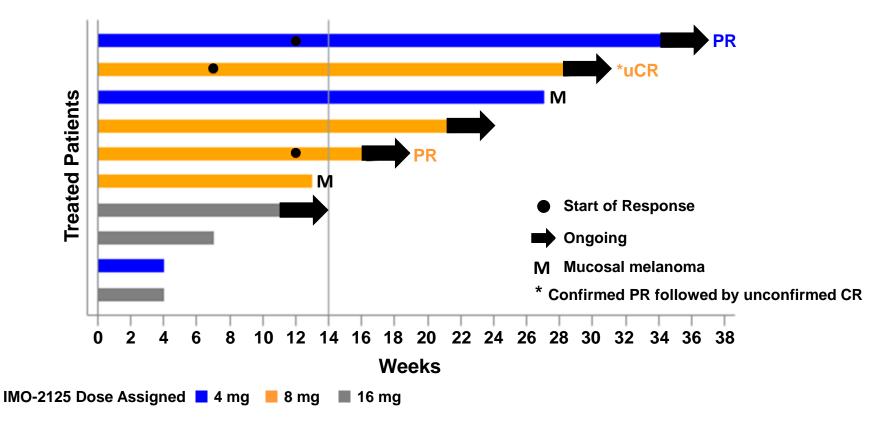
N subjects with	4 mg (N=3)	8 mg (N=4)	16 mg (N=3)	Total (N=10)
≥ 1 TEAE Related TEAE	3 (100) 2 (67)	4 (100) 4 (100)	3 (100) 2 (67)	10 (100) 8 (80)
≥1 SAE	2 (67)	2 (50)	2 (67)	6 (60)^
Discontinue for AE	0	0	0	0
Death from AE	0	0	0	0
DLT	0	0	0	0

^related SAE (IMO or ipi): hypophysitis (2), fever, elevated LFT's, diarrhea, nausea

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## Early response data to IMO-2125 + Ipilimumab



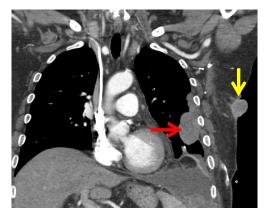
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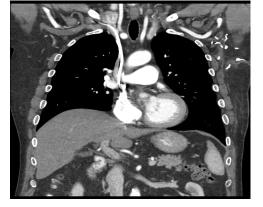


## Tumor Imaging of Patient with a Complete Response:

Ipilimumab 3mg plus i.t. IMO-2125 8 mg

**Pre-Therapy** 03/2016

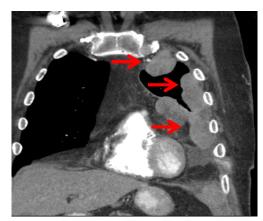


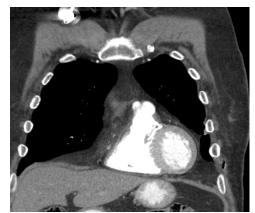


Post-Therapy 08/2016

Injected Lesion

Distant Lesions





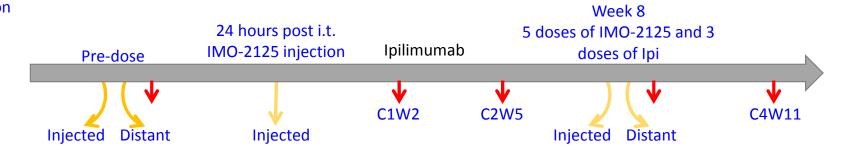


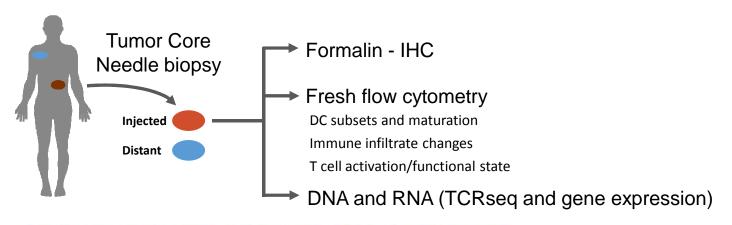
# Study 2125-204: Immune response monitoring to correlate with mechanism of action

Injected = Injected lesion
Distant = Un-injected Lesion



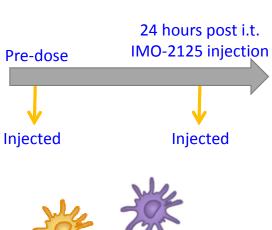


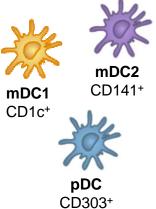


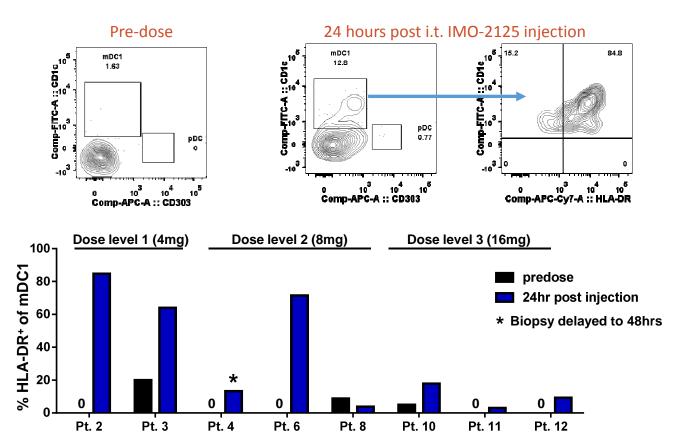




# Rapid mDC1 maturation induced by IMO-2125 in the tumor

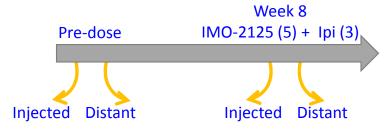


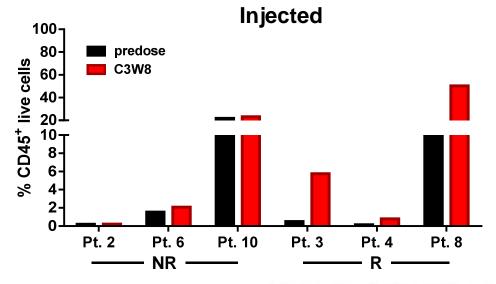


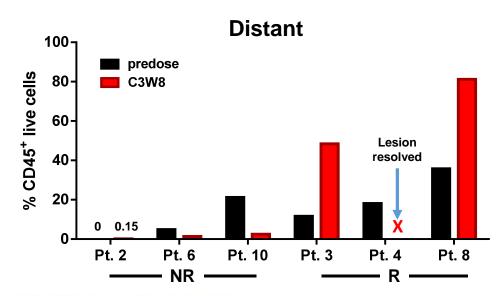




# Combination therapy induces immune infiltration in distant lesions of responding patients



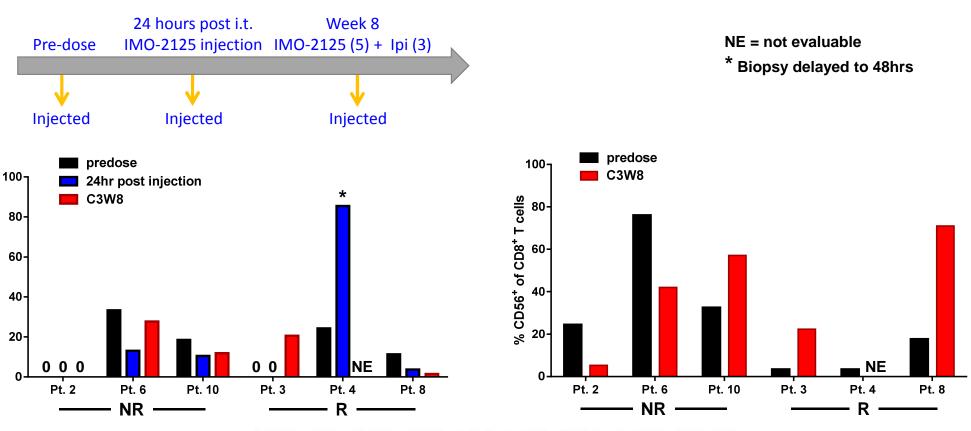




% Ki67<sup>+</sup> of CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells

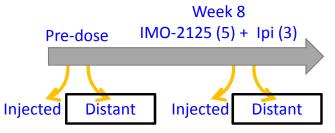


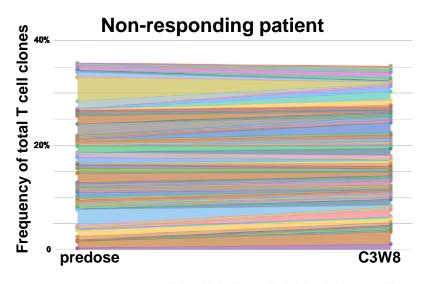
## Combination therapy induces T cell expansion and activation

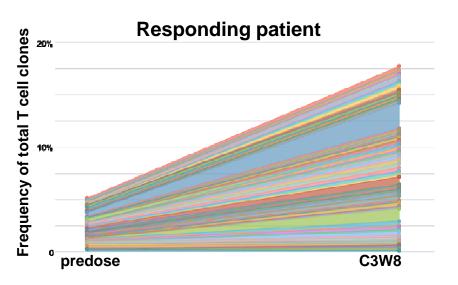




Expansion of top T cell clones in the distant lesion of responding patient

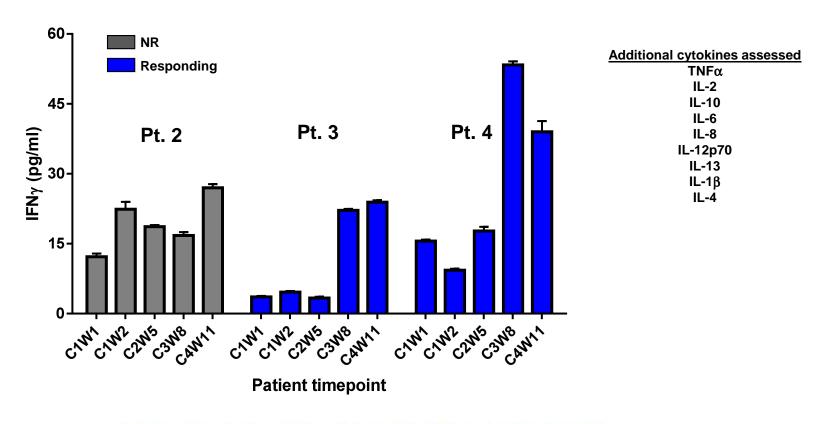






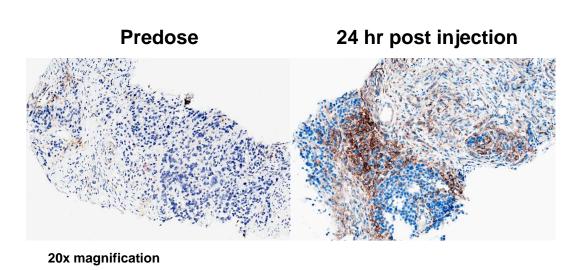


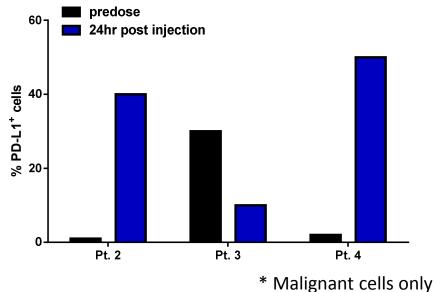
## Late increase in IFNy in patient plasma as a biomarker of response





## Where do we go from here? Upregulation of PD-L1 early on therapy





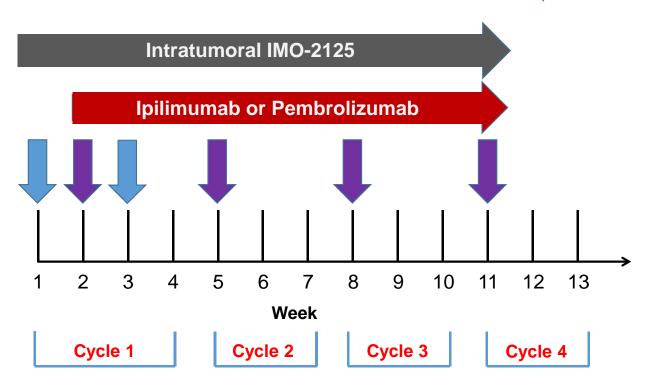


# New Trial Design with addition of IMO-2125 + Pembro Arm (NCT02644967)





<sup>\*</sup> Pembro continues until time of progression





# Lessons and Take Home Messages

### Key points

- -IMO-2125 results in maturation of intratumoral mDC1 in injected lesion within 24h of drug administration
- -Increased immune infiltration measured in distant lesions of responding patients at week 8
- -Safety is acceptable through 3 dosing cohorts; MTD not yet reached
- -Preliminary clinical activity with IMO-2125 + ipilimumab in this refractory population is encouraging

### Potential impact on the field

- -Combining intra-tumoral DC activation to enhance T cell priming with checkpoint blockade may be key in IO refractory patient population
- A local tumor can be used as a vaccine itself and injection of one lesion results in regression of distant lesions that may not be easily accessible

#### Lessons learned

-On-treatment biopsy timing is critical!!



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