NanoFACS: Extracellular Vesicle Subset Sorting & Analysis for Personalized Medicine

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The (Human) Clinical Problem

- Combining Radiation & Immunotherapy is very exciting
 - Impact: Cures not just "Treatments"
 - Problems:
 - Rad Onc: We don't know best doses & schedules
 - Immunology: We don't know best targets
 - Best choices = only 10-30% of treated patients respond
 - Best responses = not verifiable for months
 - Social: We don't know the cost:benefit outcomes ahead of time
 - Cancer Annual Drug Cost: \$84 Billion.
 - \$41 / \$84 Billion is now "Immune-Targeted" Therapies
 - Opportunity cost: TIME for patients for whom IT isn't effective
 - Research Budgets: Billions being spent testing new combos
- We need:

If 30% response rate, the

annual cost of ineffective tx: - \$29 Billion Immune Tx

- \$59 Billion all Medical Tx- weeks/months for pts

- Pre-Tx Biomarkers to Personalize Therapy
- Early-Tx Biomarkers to Adapt Treatments

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Blood Samples for Liquid Biopsies: More than Exosomes



Whole blood

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В

Cell free plasma





Erythrocytes (~5×10e9/mL blood)



Leukocytes (~7×10e⁶/mL blood)



Circulating tumor cells (~0-10/mL blood)

CTCs 10/mL Thrombocytes (~3×10e⁸/mL blood)



Normal exosomes (~10e¹¹/mL blood)



Tumor stroma exosomes (unknown)

Tumor exosomes (~0-5×10e¹⁰/mL blood*) Texosomes 10 billion/mL

Normal cfDNA (~5×10e9/mL blood)

Tumor cfDNA (~5×10e⁹/mL blood) Tumor cfDNA <10k copies/mL

Ago2 associated miRNA (~5×10e9/mL blood)

HDL associated miRNA (~5×10e9/mL blood)



Translational Cancer Research 2016

Jones Lab Program Priorities:

Extracellular Vesicles (EVs) for Personalized Medicine



- 1. Develop and refine methods needed to study EV subsets
- 2. Apply nanoFACS Program methods to the following clinical situations:
 - Detect Tumor-Associated EVs
 - Detect Immune-Response EVs
 - Detect Radiation-Induced EVs
 - Define Abscopal EV Profile





Nanoscale Biological Particles and Labels





NanoFACS at NCI

	Cellular Flow Cytometry	EV Flow Cytometry Status Quo	NanoFACS Program @ NCI2016
Size Resolution (light scatter)	Standard	not possible <400nm	Resolve to <u><</u> 100nm
Size Resolution (fluorescence)	Standard	not possible <100nm	Resolve to <u><</u> 40nm
Calibration	Standard	No standards	Developed protocols
Preparative Sorting Protocols	Standard	Not possible (too slow, too blind)	Sorted DC-Tumor EVs Functional Sorts (HIV) Index Sorting: Copy #s
Staining	Standard	Bead-based (bkgd probs)	Single EV optimized
Counting	Standard	Not possible. Need NTA	nanoFACS: Method developed
Tumor Marker Detection	Standard	Not ever done for single EVs (GPC1 on EVs on beads)	PSMA+ prostate CA EVs detected Also other immune, tumor surface markers
Bio. Reference	Common	None	1 st gen EV Stds



SCIENTIFIC REPORTS

OPEN Labeling Extracellular Vesicles for Nanoscale Flow Cytometry

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE

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2016-2017 Large Scale Efforts



2017 Working Group Study

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SPECIAL REVIEW: PLATELET MICROVESICLES

Detection of platelet vesicles by flow cytometry

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Diurnal Variations of Circulating Extracellular Vesicles Measured by Nano Flow Cytometry

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Basic Jones Lab Protocols / Workflow - I





Basic Jones Lab Protocols / Workflow - II





Next Generation High Sensitivity Flow Cytometers

Next Generation High Resolution Flow Cytometry



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ACSNANO

Next Generation High Resolution Flow Cytometry Single Molecule Detection



Single-molecule fluorescence burst data from (a) a 20 nm filtered ultrapure water blank and (b) R-PE molecules in an 83 fM solution. The data were binned into 100 μ s intervals, and the excitation laser power was 0.75 mW



Why Does Single Epitope Sensitivity Matter?

NCI High Sensitivity EV Flow Cytometry Evaluations 2017:

High resolution FCM versus Next Generation FCM





NCI High Sensitivity EV Flow Cytometry Evaluations 2017



Dimmest FL detected on all EVs

All >100nm EVs detected by SSC

Astrios-EQ nanoFACS

high speed detection, sorting detection limit estimate: ~30-200 epitopes

nanoFCM prototype May 2017

highly dedicated setup limited dynamic range detection limit estimate: 1-10 epitopes







PSMA-PE











To report X+ EVs per mL:

Accurate single vesicle analysis with <u>single epitope</u> <u>and small EV sensitivity</u> is essential for accurate reporting of how many EVs/mL are positive for X







Technology Readiness Levels: Overview of Jones Lab EV Biomarker Program in the NASA TRL Framework

Publication / Patent

👆 Jones Lab

Jones Lab Collaboration

🍹 Ongoing Studies

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TRL 9

Actual system "flight proven" in successful missions Prospective Clinical Trial Validation

TRL 8

Actual system completed and "flight qualified" CLIA - ready

TRL 7

System prototype demonstration in space Exploratory Tests of Pipeline for Clinical Samples

TRL 6

System prototype in relevant environment Use of Pipeline to test Biorepository Samples

TRL 5

Component validation in a relevant environment Assay validation with Healthy Serum, Plasma EVs

TRL 4

Component validation in a laboratory environment Assay validation: Cancer/Immune Cell EV Subsets

TRL 3

Analytical and experimental proof-of-concept Assay validation: General EVs and HIV Subsets

TRL 2

Technology concept and/or application formulated Formulation of EV Subset Hypothesis & Identification of Technological Requirements

TRL 1

Basic principles observed and reported Observed increased CD81 with Radiation and Absence of early metrics for treatment response

Clinical Example: GMB/ROB Patient w Metastatic Tumor

Tumor Scan



Malignant Pleural Effusion

Large volume clinical bio-fluid sample. Useful for nanoFACS method validation, refinement.





Tumor miRNA Enriched in PSMA+ Exosomes



Critical Steps for EV/Exosome Analysis in Immunotherapy





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Specific analytical approach depends on what information is being interrogated



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