

Differentiating Macrophages are Regulated by PARP Inhibitors and can be Harnessed to Overcome PARP-Inhibitor Resistance in BRCA-Associated Triple-Negative Breast Cancer



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Innate Immunity: The Next Generation of Targets for Anti-Cancer Immunotherapy

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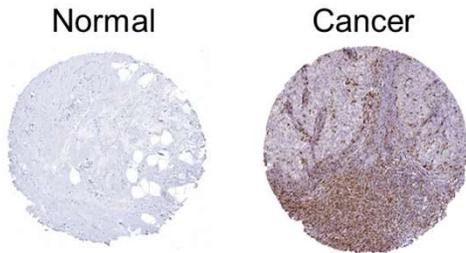
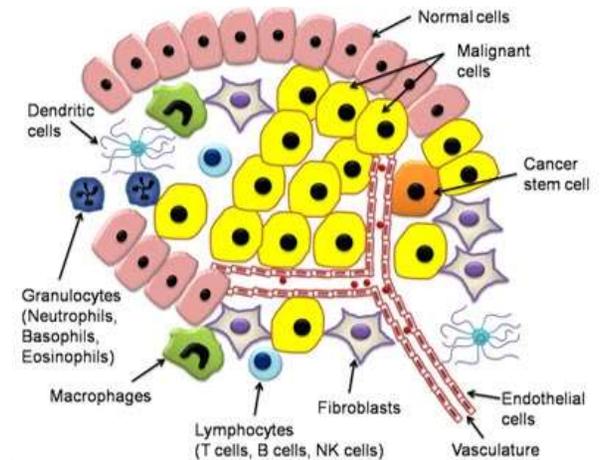
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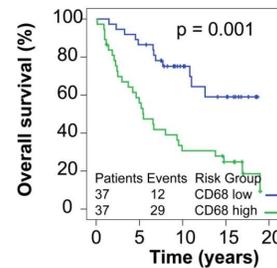
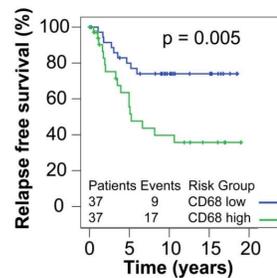
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The tumor microenvironment contains a variety of non-malignant cells

- Play a pivotal role in tumor progression and metastasis
- T-cell immunotherapy has had modest responses in breast cancer
- Macrophages can represent up to 50% of the tumor mass
- Macrophage density is associated with poor prognosis



IHC: CD68 (human macrophage marker)



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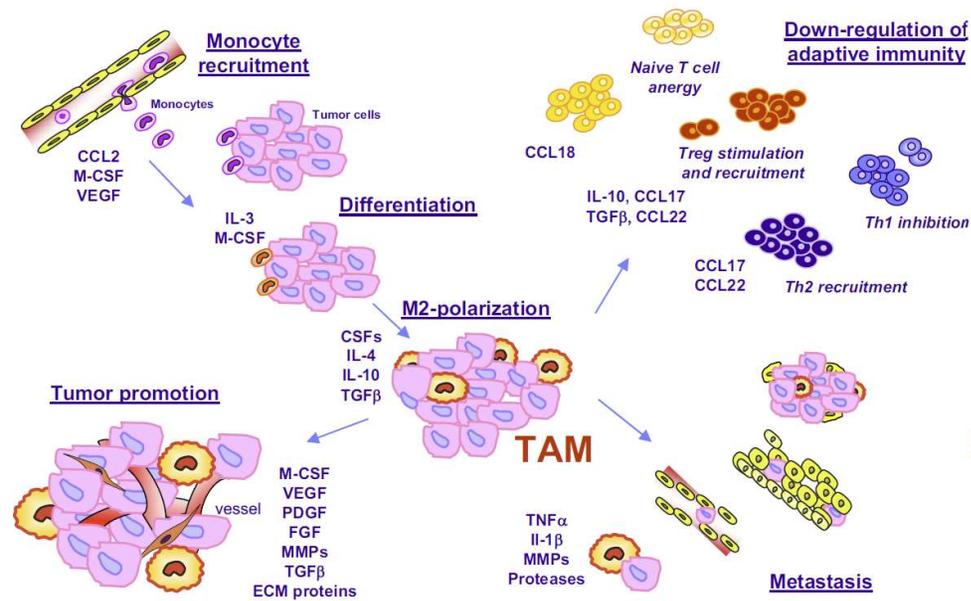
Tumor macrophages promote tumorigenesis

Pro-tumor

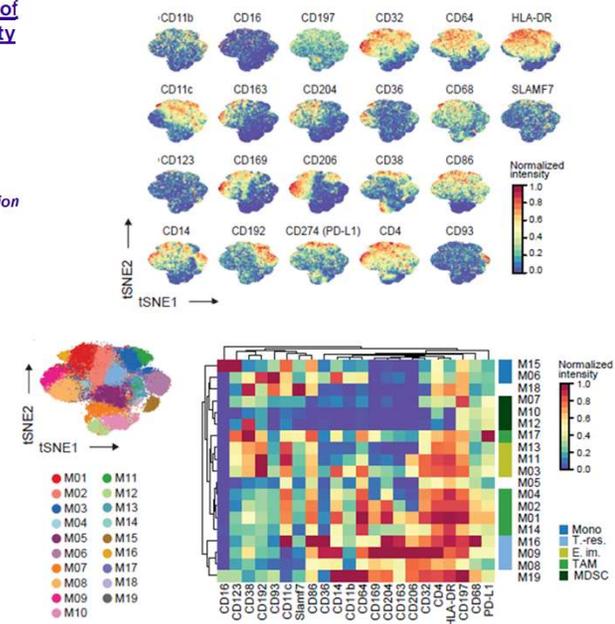
- Repair mechanism
- Pro-tumor

Anti-tumor

- Defense mechanism
- Anti-tumor



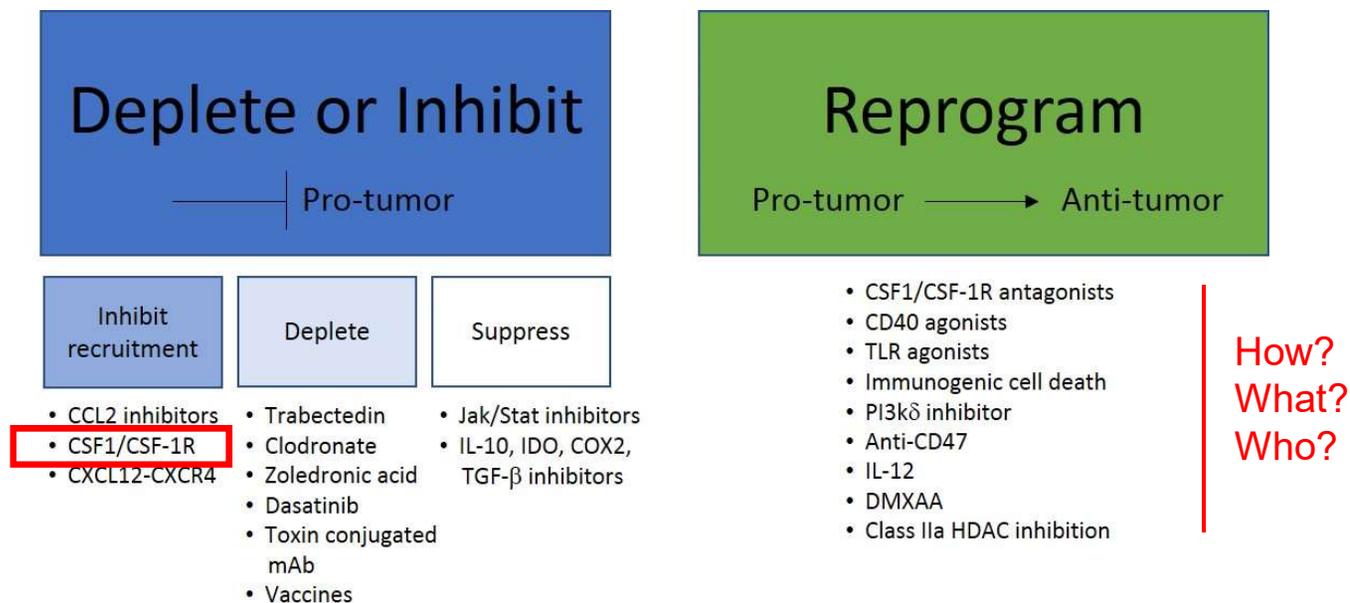
Human breast tumors



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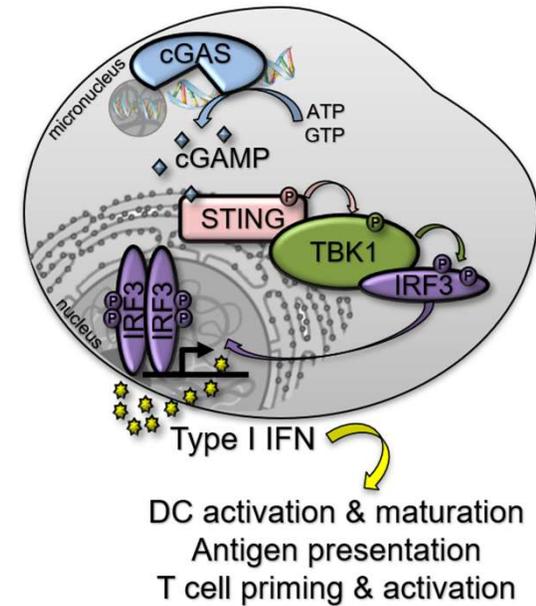
Can we find rational ways to target tumor macrophages for anti-cancer therapy?



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The STING pathway is active in *BRCA*-associated TNBC

- TNBC - aggressive, poor survival
- *BRCA*-associated TNBC is homologous recombination (HR) repair deficient
- *BRCA*-associated cancer cells have high levels of cytosolic DNA
 - Activation of the STING pathway
 - Secretion of CXCL10, CXCL9, CCL5
 - Recruitment of immune cells
- *BRCA* mutations regulation of the TME



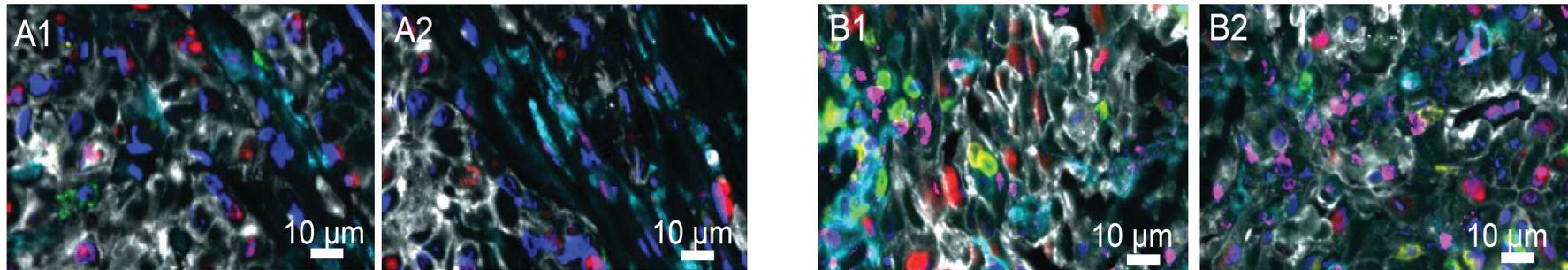
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BRCA1-associated TNBC are highly infiltrated with macrophages and T-cells

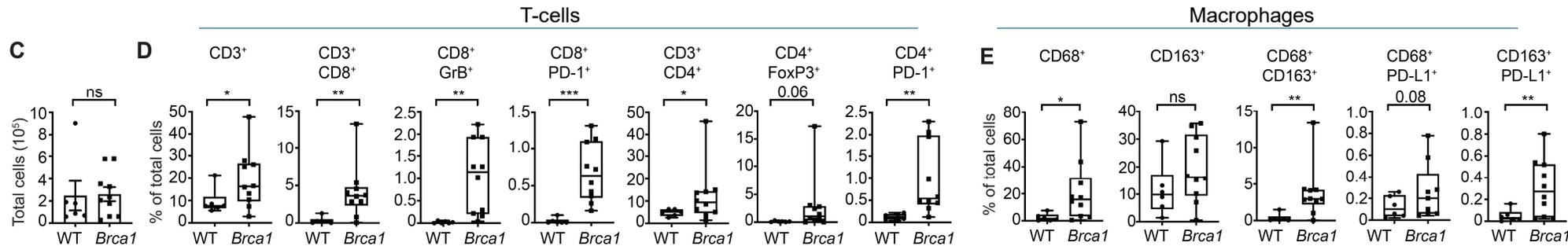


TNBC *BRCA*-wild type

TNBC *BRCA1*-associated



Hoechst Keratin CD3 CD8 CD68 CD163 Ki67



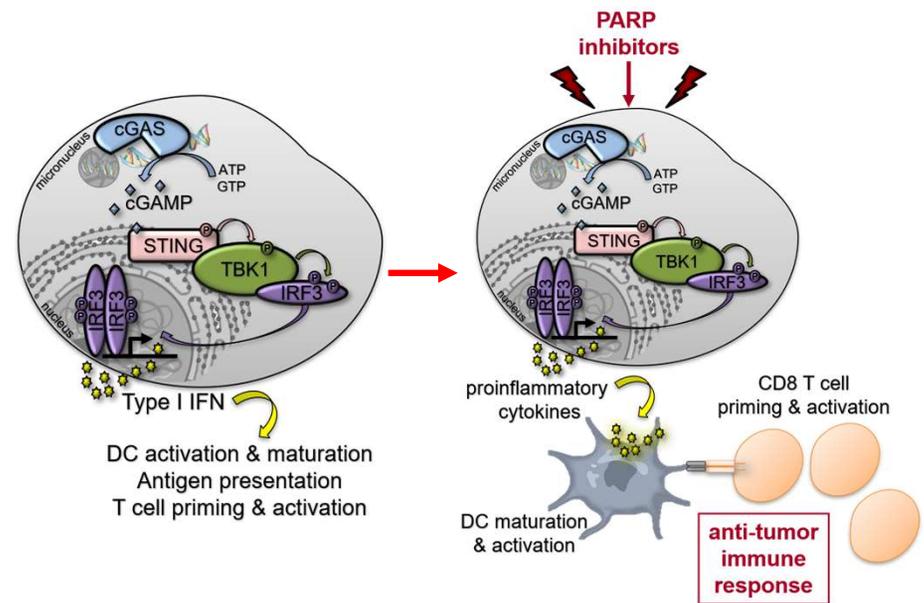
In collaboration with Drs. Judy Garber and Nadine Tung and the laboratories of Drs. Sorger and Santagata Mehta...Guerrero et al. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*

PARP inhibitor efficacy depends on CD8+ T-cell recruitment via intra-tumoral STING pathway activation in *BRCA*-deficient TNBC



TNBC breast cancer model:
K14-Cre BRCA1^{f/fp53f/f}

- PARPi therapy further activates the STING pathway
- Efficacy of PARP inhibition is dependent cGAS/STING pathway activation and recruitment of CD8 T-cells
- cGAS/STING activation is more pronounced in *BRCA1*-deficient TNBC compared to *BRCA1*-proficient

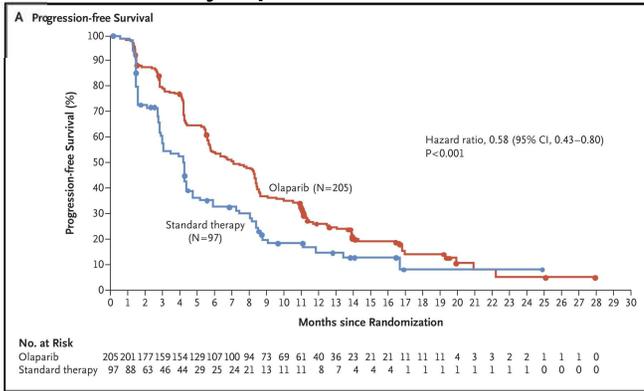


Pantelidou....Guerriero*, Shapiro* et al. *Cancer Discovery* 2019.

Clinical response to PARPi + ICB have not yet demonstrated activity superior to PARPi monotherapy

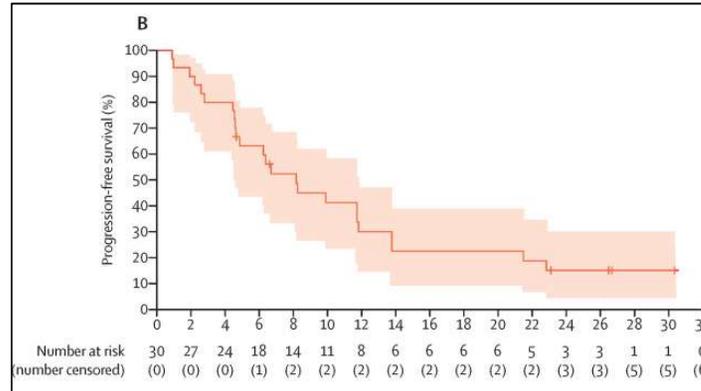


OlympiAD: PARPi



ORR: 59.9%
PFS: 7 months

MEDIOLA: PARPi + ICB



ORR: 63.3%
PFS: 8.2 months
DCR at 12 weeks: 80%

Single agent PD-1/PD-L1

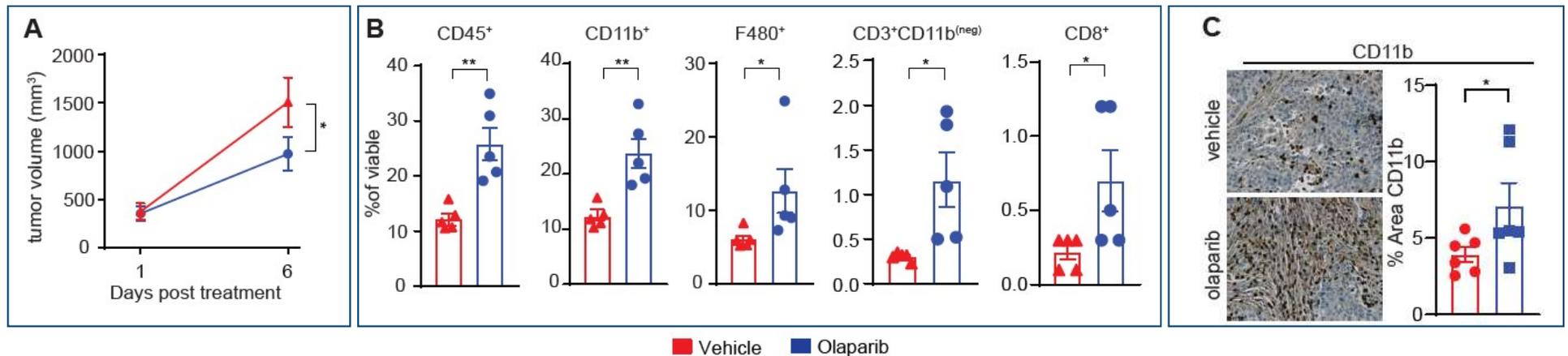
Keynote-012 Pembro in TNBC: ORR: 18.5
Atezo in TNBC: ORR 10%
Avelumab in TNBC: 5.2% (22.2% in PD-L1+)

Do macrophages limit the therapeutic response to PARP inhibitors?

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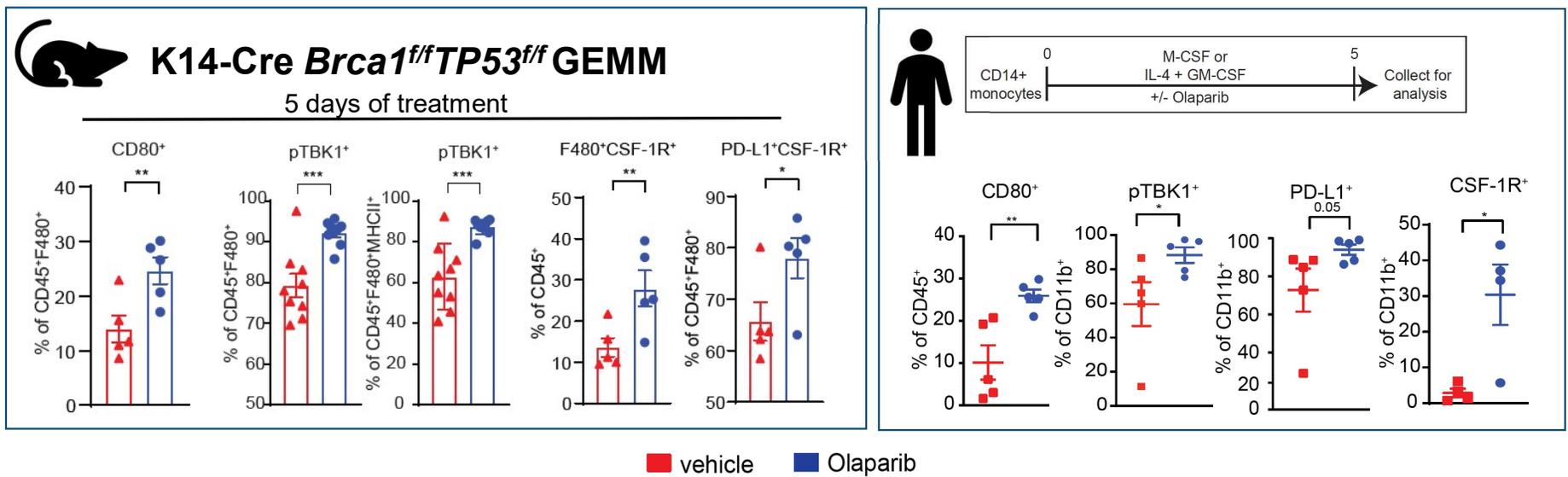
PARP inhibitor therapy increases tumor macrophages in *BRCA1*-def TNBC

 **K14-Cre *Brca1*^{ff}*TP53*^{ff} GEMM**
Liu *et al.*, *PNAS*, 2007
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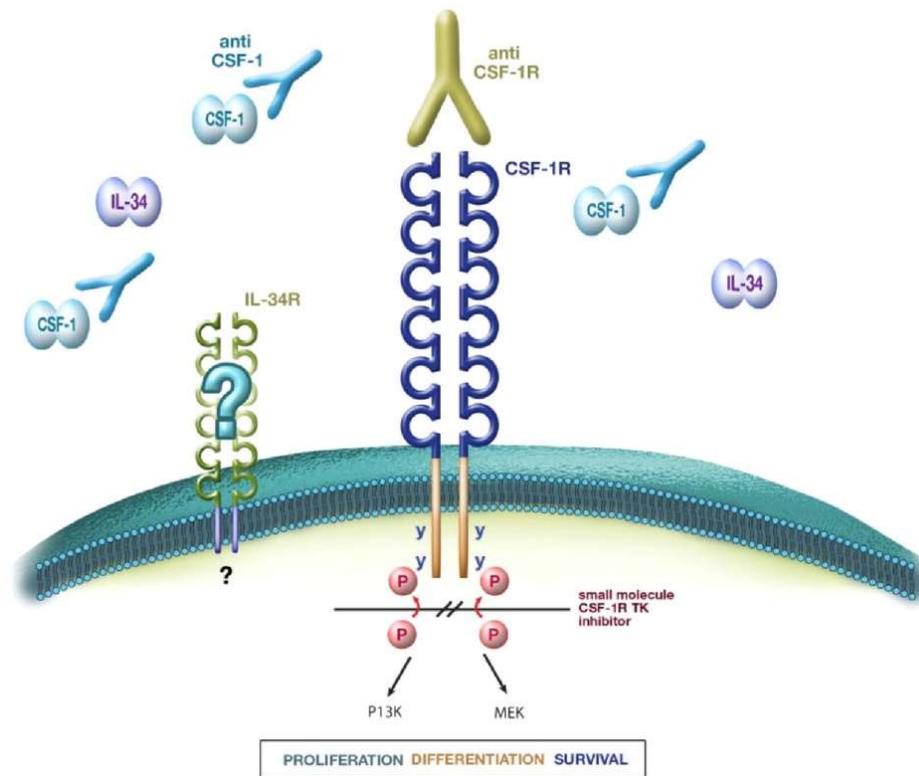
Mehta...Guerrero *et al.* *In Revision.*

PARP inhibitor therapy modulates differentiating macrophages



Mehta...Guerrero et al. *Prov. Acceptance. Nat. Cancer.*

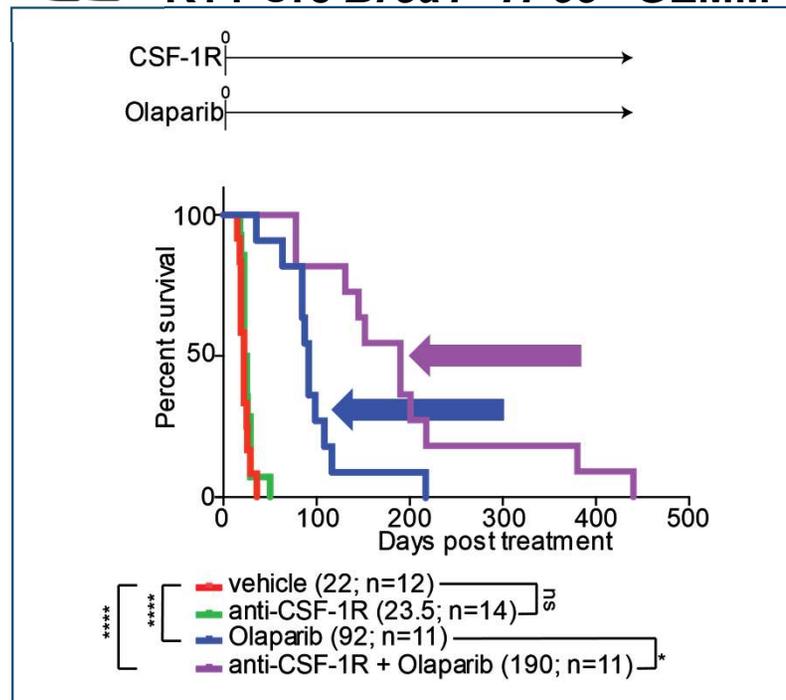
CSF-1R is expressed by mature macrophages



Anti-CSF-1R enhances PARP inhibitor therapy in *BRCA1*-def TNBC



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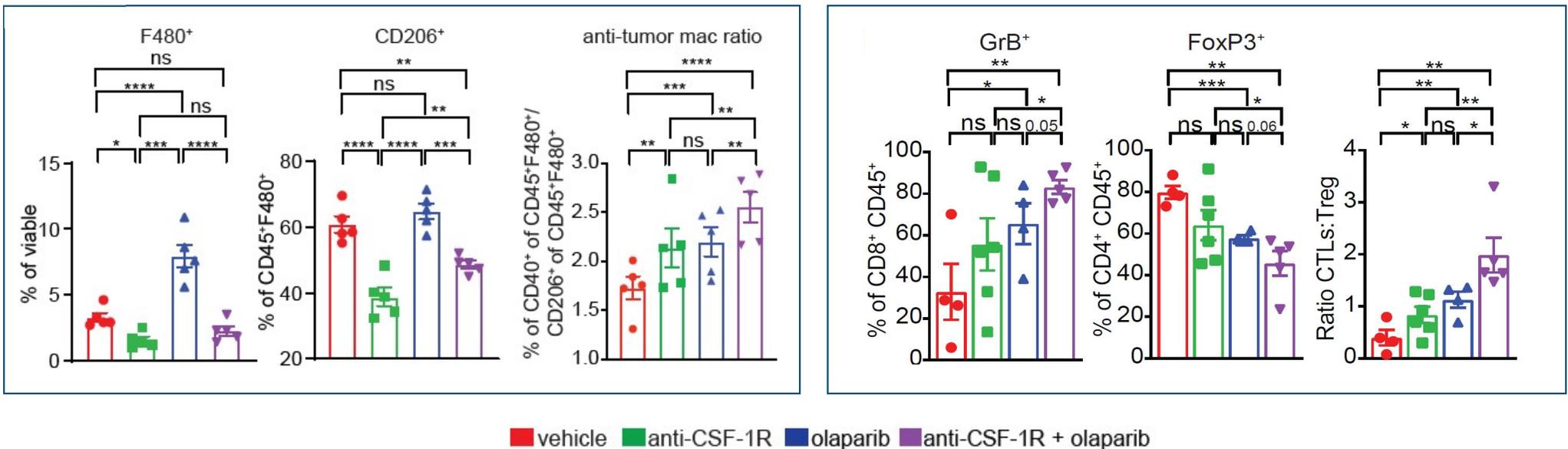


Macrophage-mediated immune suppression as a liability of PARP inhibitors.

Mehta...Guerrero et al. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*

Does anti-CSF-1R and Olaparib therapy activate anti-tumor innate and adaptive immunity?

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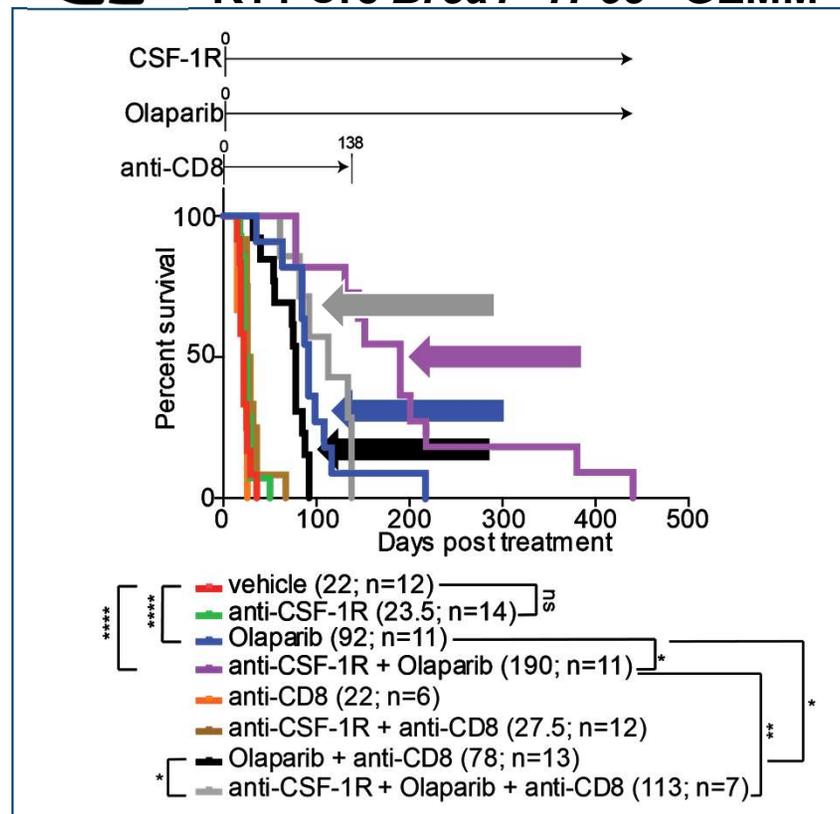


Mehta...Guerrero et al. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.* 2018

Anti-CSF-1R enhances PARP inhibitor therapy and is CD8 T-cell dependent



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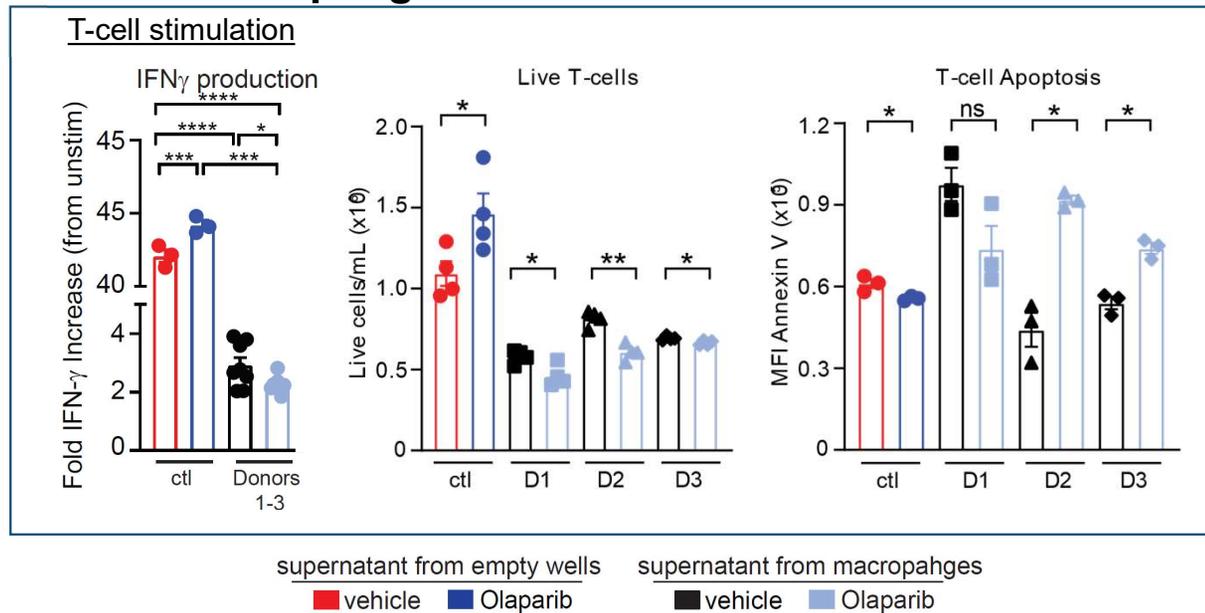


Both innate and adaptive anti-tumor activity will be necessary for durable clinical outcomes.

How do Olaparib-treated macrophages suppress T-cell function and survival?



Human macrophage conditioned media



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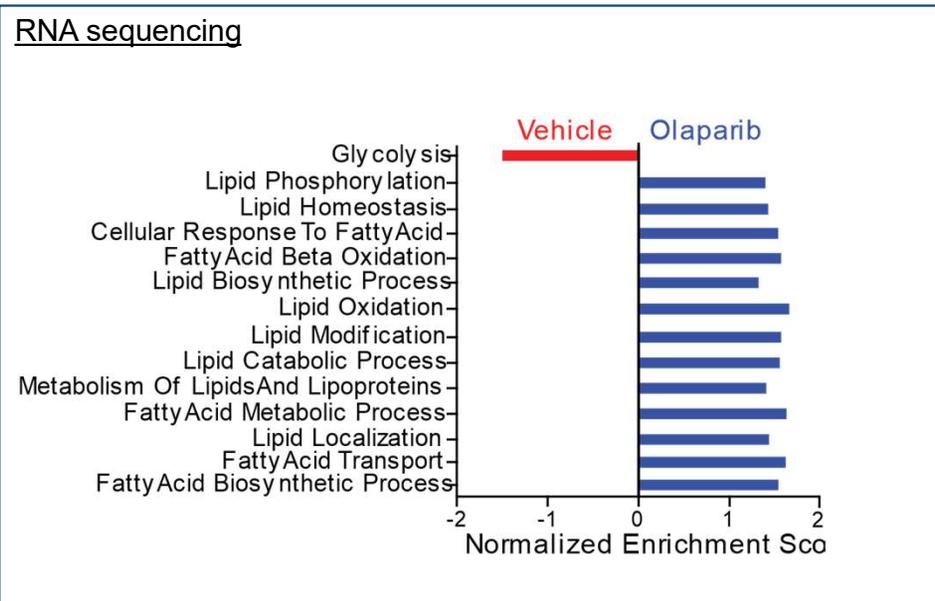
Olaparib-treated macrophages inhibit T-cell function and induce T-cell apoptosis.

Mehta...Guerrero et al. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*

Unbiased approaches reveal PARP inhibitor-induced macrophage lipid metabolic processes



Human macrophages



Proteomics

100 most significantly upregulated proteins with FDR < 0.05

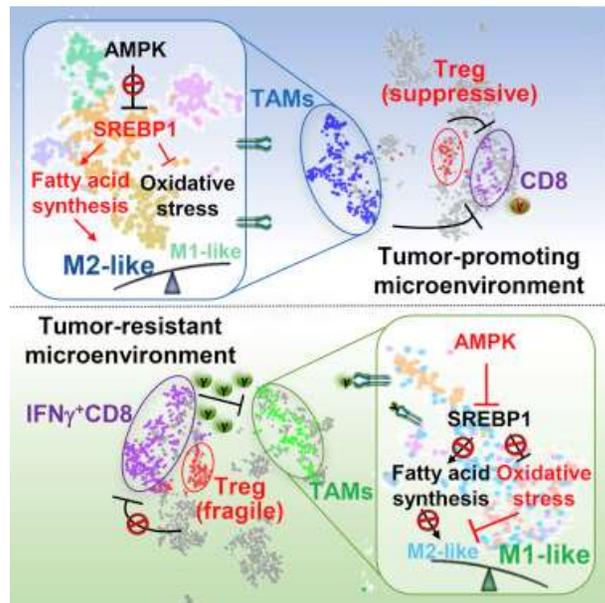
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44255	cellular lipid metabolic process	6.00E-05
5506	iron ion binding	1.63E-04
40009	regulation of growth rate	1.86E-04
5789	endoplasmic reticulum membrane	6.31E-04
6633	fatty acid biosynthetic process	1.40E-03
10876	lipid localization	1.63E-03
32787	monocarboxylic acid metabolic process	1.64E-03
6633	fatty acid biosynthetic process	1.40E-03
42769	DNA damage response	6.46E-04
20037	heme binding	6.27E-04
51938	L-glutamate import	4.63E-04

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Marian Kalocsay, PhD and Matthew Berberich

Mehta...Guerrero et al. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*

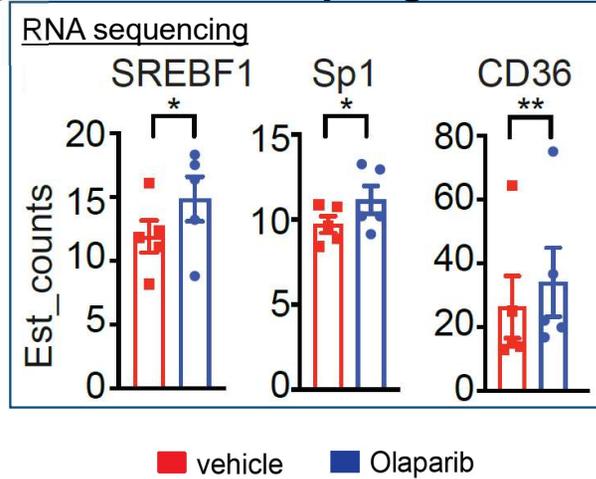
The SREBP1-mediated fatty acid synthesis pathway is associated with pro-tumor macrophages



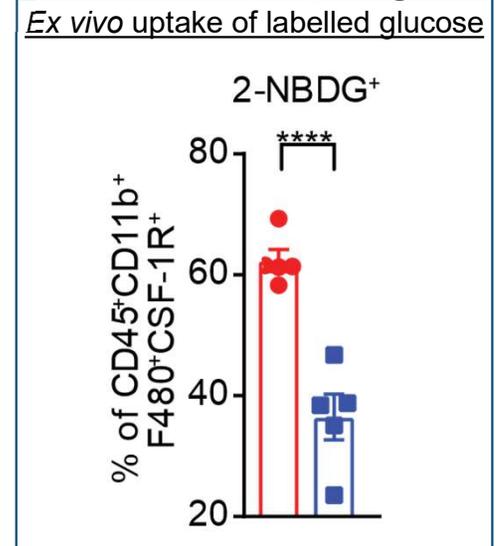
Liu et al. *Immunity*. 2019



Human macrophages



Murine macrophages

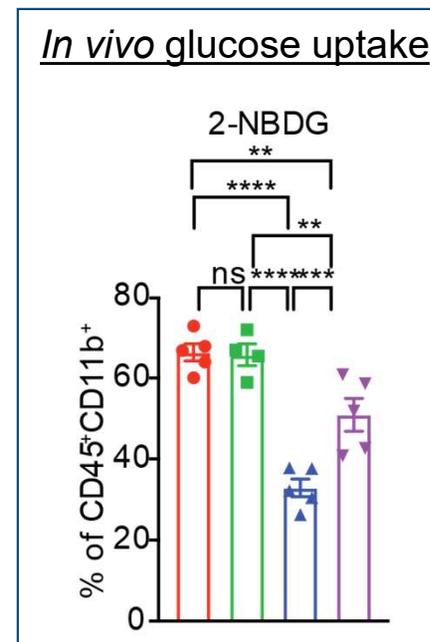
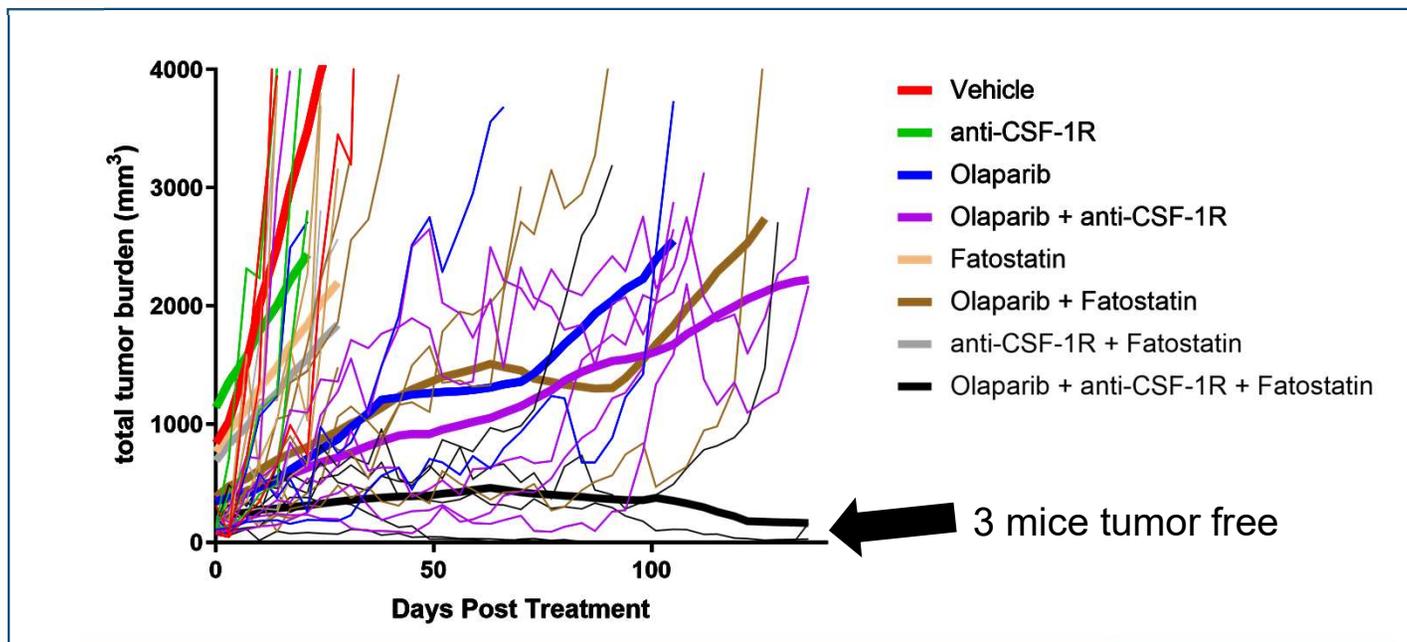


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Sterol regulatory element-binding protein 1 (SREBP1)

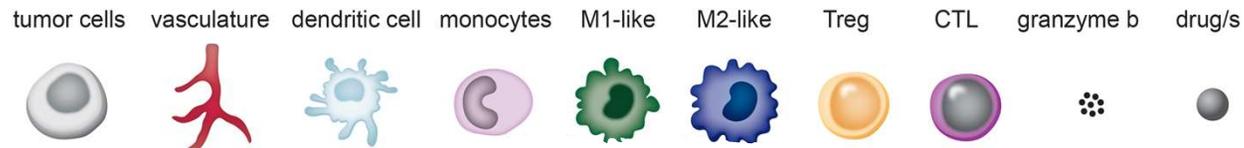
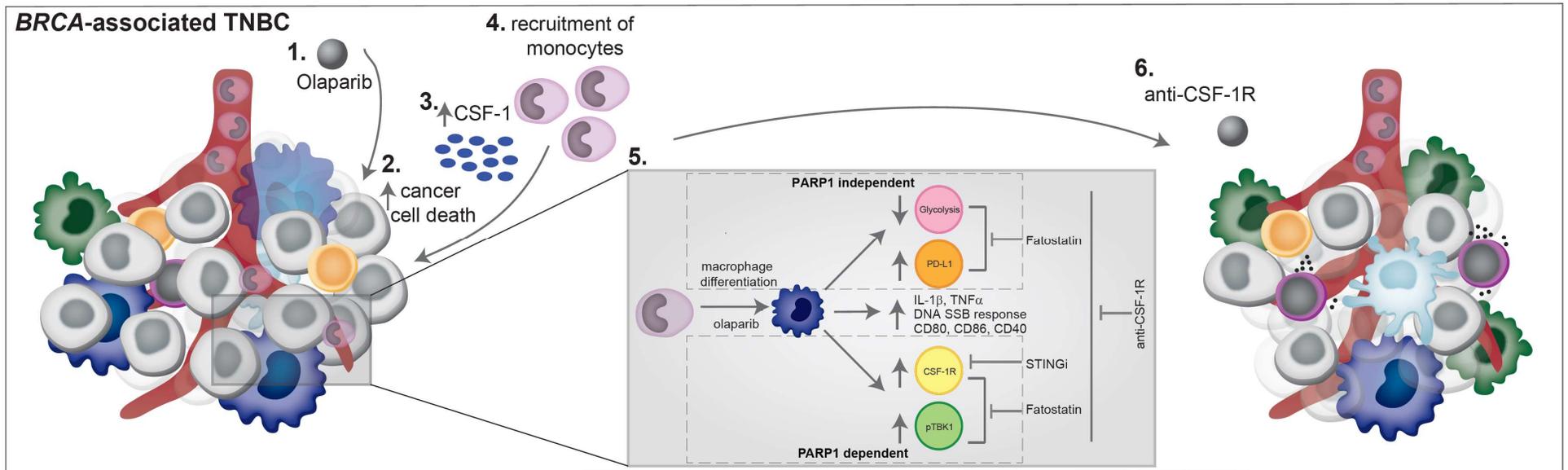
Can SREBP1 inhibition enhance PARP inhibitor therapy?

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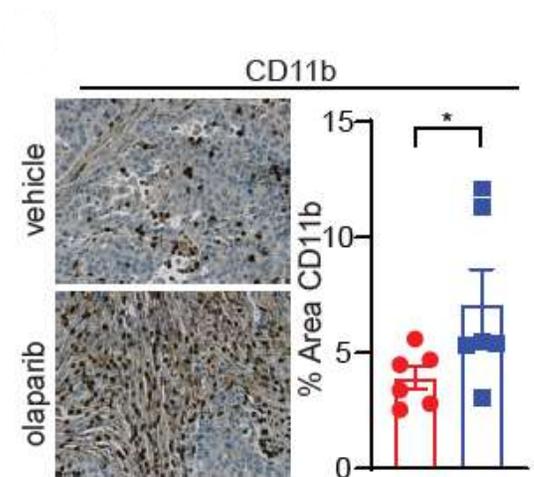
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Anti-CSF-1R therapy overcomes PARP inhibitor-induced immune-suppressive macrophages and activates an anti-tumor immune response in *BRCA*-associated TNBC



TAM modulation for anti-cancer therapy needs to be tailored to each patient

- *BRCA*-deficient have high levels of cytosolic DNA/STING activation
- Olaparib further activates the STING pathway
- Recruitment of suppressive macrophages
- PARPi treated cancers may benefit from anti-CSF-1R treatment



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