

## What's Next for Cancer Immunotherapy?

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## In 2016



### on the Horizon

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#### **Checkpoint Blockade**

- Hodgkin Lymphoma
- Head and Neck Cancer
- Gastric Cancer
- Colon Cancer CAR T Cells
- Leukemia
- Lymphoma





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## Then and Now



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- Mostly PD1
- Some PDL1

#### Now

• CTLA4 + PD1

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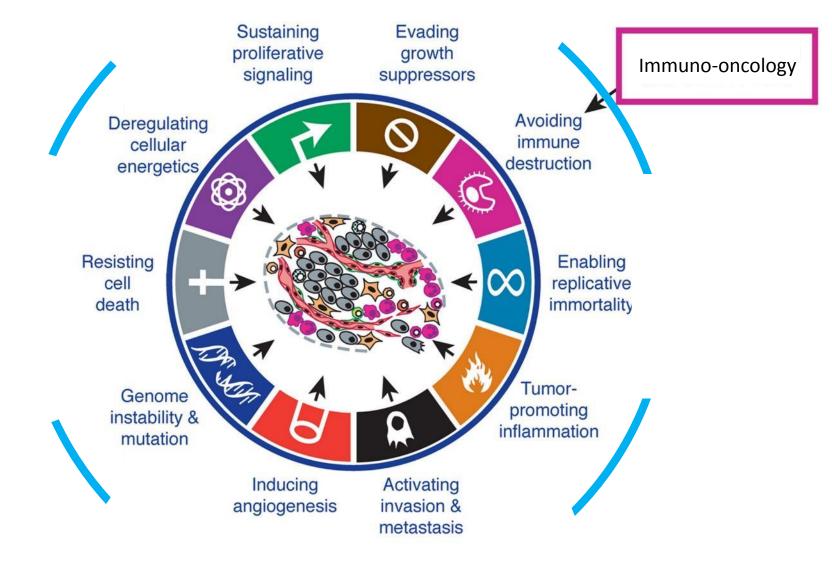
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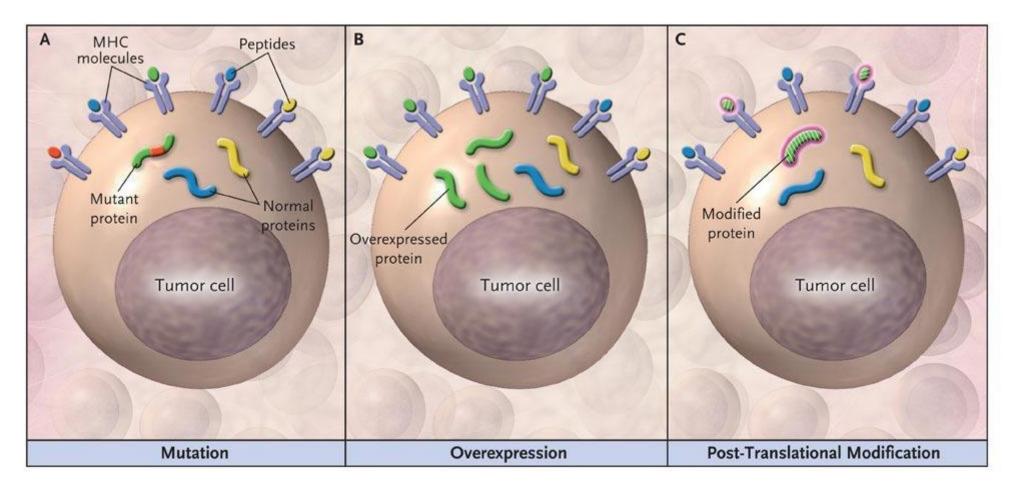
## Hallmarks of Cancer



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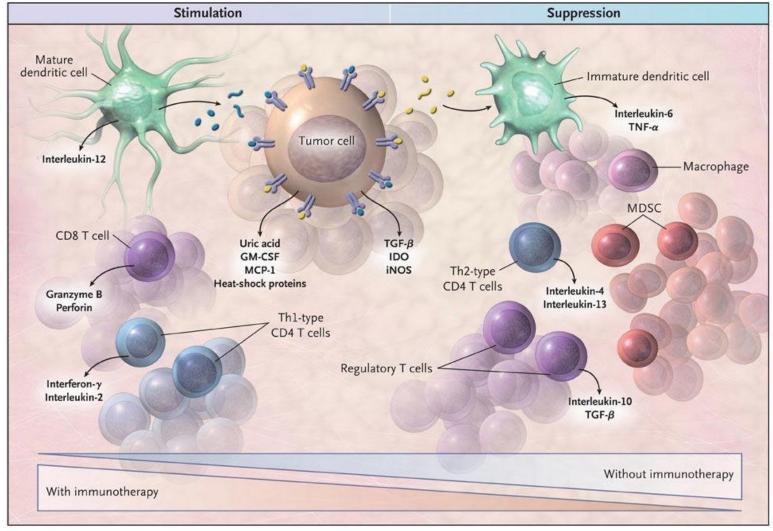
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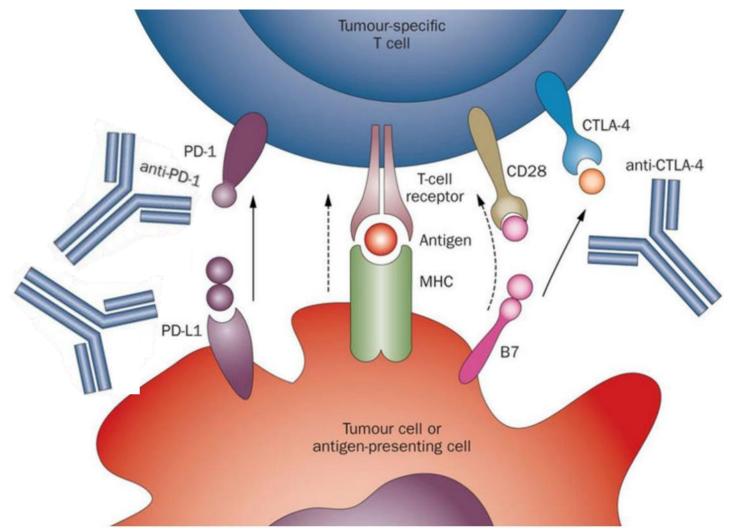
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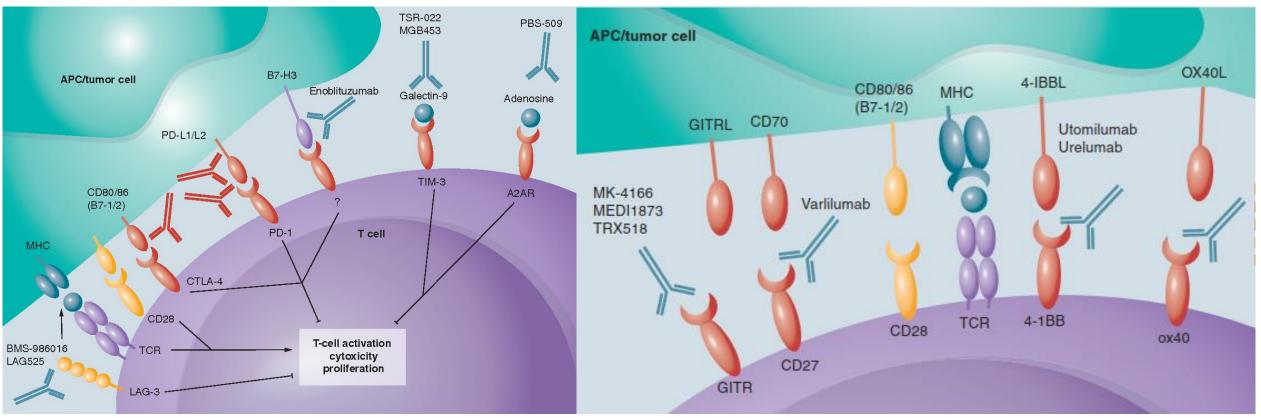




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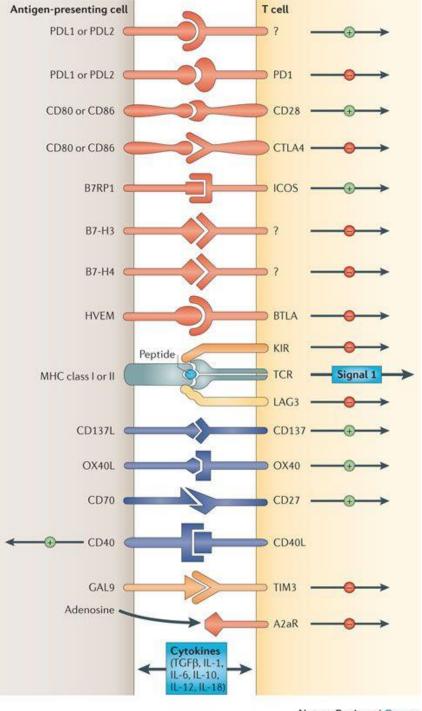




Co-Inhibitor | Co-Stimulator

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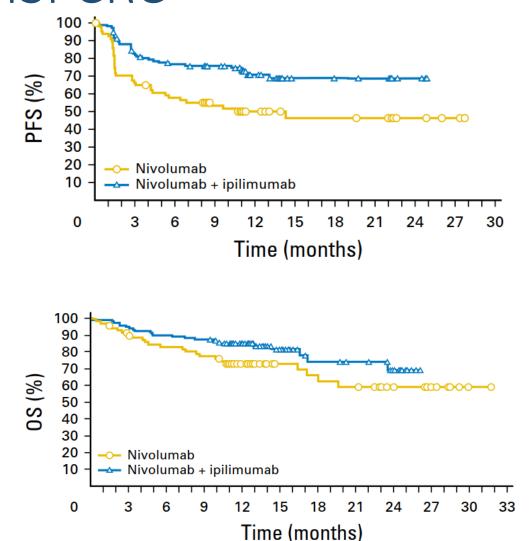
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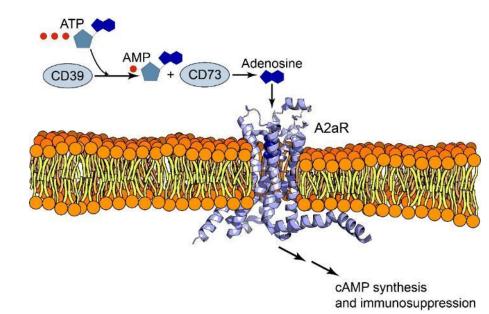
## Inhibitors: (CTLA4 + PD1) Ipi + Nivo -> Nivo is MSI CRC

- nivolumab 3 mg/kg plus ipilimumab 1 mg/kg q3 weeks x4 then nivolumab 3 mg/kg q2 weeks
- 119 patients, mFU 13.4 months ORR 55% (95% CI, 45.2 to 63.8), DCR > 12 weeks 80%.
- ORR for pembrolizumab 30%





- Glycolysis leads to excessive adenosine monophosphate
- CD73 on tumors cells turns adenosine monophosphate to adenosine
- Adenosine binds A2AR on T and NK cells
- Inhibiting NK, CD8, CD4 Th1 cells
- Maintaining tissue inflammation
- NCT02403193: PBF-509 + PDR001 in NSCLC



Image; http://bpsbioscience.com/adenosine-a2a-receptor-immunotherapy



Lymphocyte Activating Gene-3 (LAG-3)

- Member of immunoglobulin superfamily
- Expressed on B cells, NK cells, TILs, some T Cells
- Co-inhibitory receptor
- Low levels on naïve CD8 T cells, but increases with antigenic stimulation
- It binds MHC II and inhibits TCR-induced Ca++ thus decreasing effector functions of CD8 T cells.
- NCT02460224: LAG525 + PDR001 in Advanced Malignancies

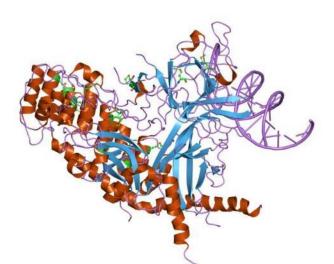


Image: Wikipedia



- Is expressed on activated T cells, NK cells, Monocytes
- Binding galectin-9 it facilitates immune tolerance.
- TIM-3 knockout mice develop autoimmunity (less than PD-1/CTLA4 knockout mice)
- TIM-3+ TIL co-express PD-1
- NCT02817633, NCT02608268 has TSR-022 or MGB-453 in combination with PD-1 inhibition for advanced solid tumors





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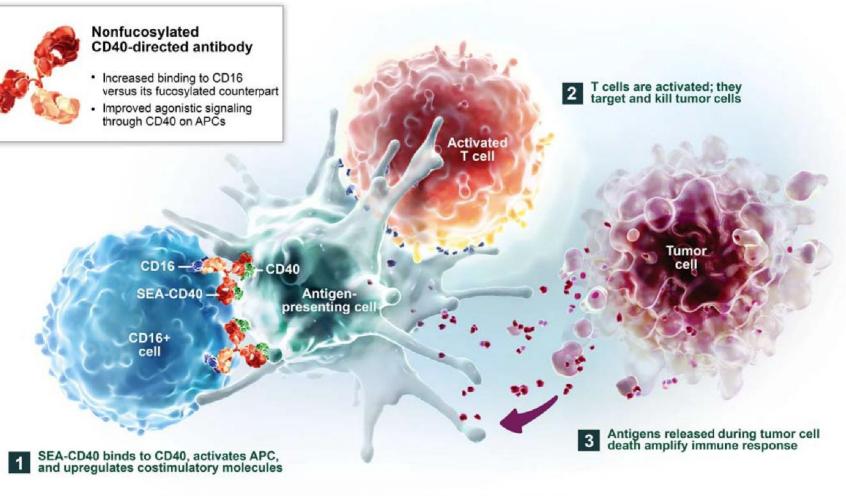
- Success of nivolumab, pembrolizumab and ipilimumab placed a spotlight on check point co-inhibitors
- Co-stimulators are showing promise also....
- Increase the activity of exhausted CD8 T cells



- Is expressed by immune, hematopoietic, epithelial, and other cells
- Key regulator of immune responses via its expression on antigenpresenting cells (APCs), B lymphocytes, dendritic cells, and monocytes
- Induces tumor regression via an indirect effect of immune activation and a cytotoxic effect on CD40-expressing tumors
- Expressed on a majority of solid tumors and nearly 100% of B-cell malignancies
- As a co-stimulatory receptor expressed by normal immune cells, tumor expression is not required for CD40 to be an effective target



#### **SEA-CD40** Proposed Mechanism of Action



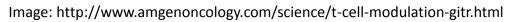
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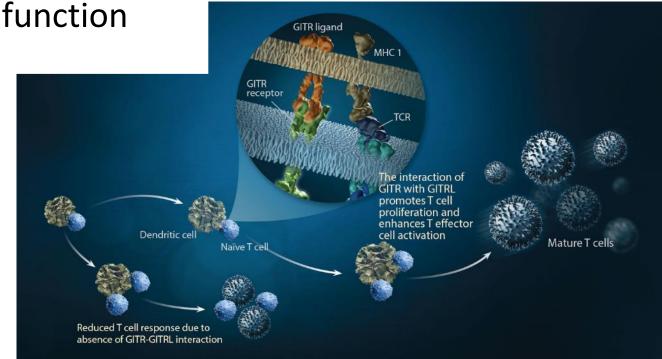


## Stimulator: GITR

Glucocorticoid-induced TNFR family related protein

- Expressed on activated T cells, NK cells, B cells
- When bound promotes proliferation and activation
- GITR agonists deplete regulatory T cells
- GITR agonists promote effector function
- NCT02132754: anti-GITR plus pembrolizumab in melanoma



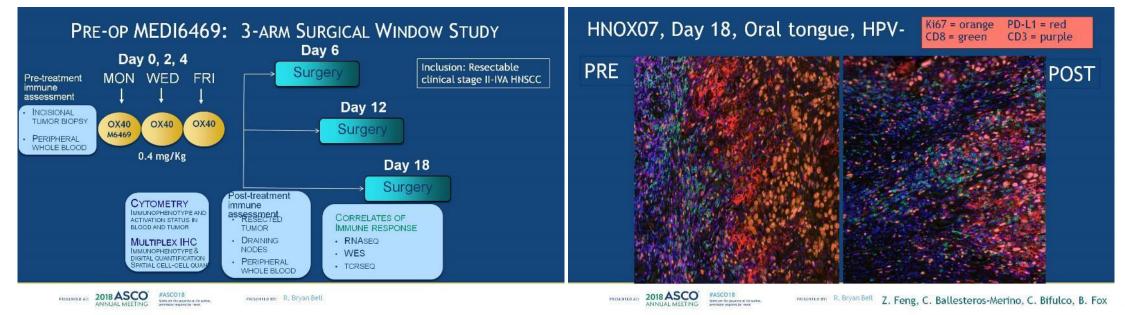




- Expressed on activated CD8 T cells, CD4 T helper cells, B cells
- Induces T-cell proliferation
- Enhances T-cell effector function
- Inhibits activation induced cell death, upregulates antiapoptotic genes
- A Phase II trial was stopped as was many other studies secondary to severe liver toxicity. New trials are undergoing.



- Member of the TNFRsf and primarily expressed on CD8+ & CD4+ T cells
- In a Phase I trial, 12 pts had regression with No PRs or CRs.
- OX40 and PD1 and CTLA-4 expressed on H&N TILs



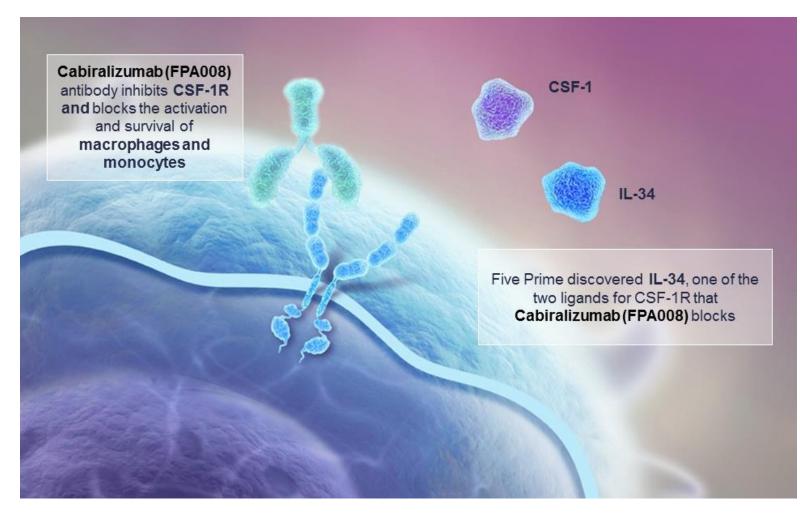
Bryan Bell at ASCO 2018

### ADVANCES IN Cancer Stimulator-ish: CSF-1R

NCT03336216 Cabiralizumab + Nivolumab +/- Chemo

# For pancreas cancer patients

Decrease TAMs



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# Biomarker or Therapy: Microbiome

#### **Cancer therapies**

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> Anticancer treatment modalities and co-medications (such as antibiotics) affect the integrity of the epithelial barrier.

#### Microbiome

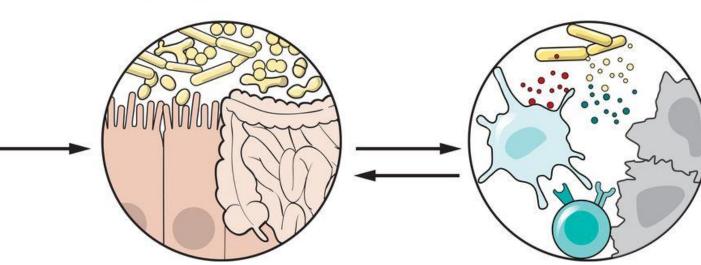
Gut-resident commensals interacting with epithelial, stromal, endocrine, neural, immune intestinal cells to regulate barrier functions and whole-body metabolism.

#### Immune responses

The gut microbiota has systemic effects throughout the meta-organism via secretion of anti-inflammatory cytokine/chemokines, metabolites, antimicrobial and neuropeptides.

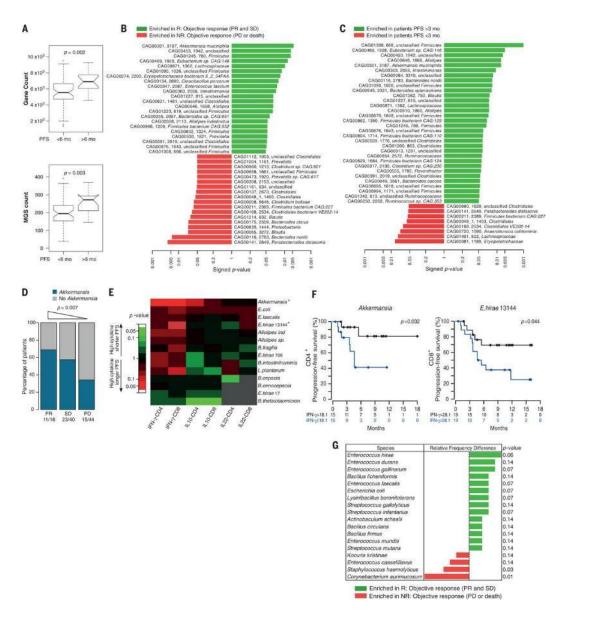


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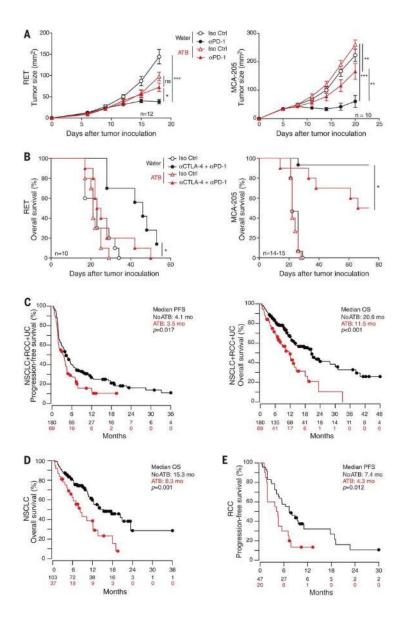




#### Certain Bacteria Predict Response



#### Antibiotics compromise PD-1 Blockade in Mice



Bertrand Routy et al. Science 2018;359:91-97

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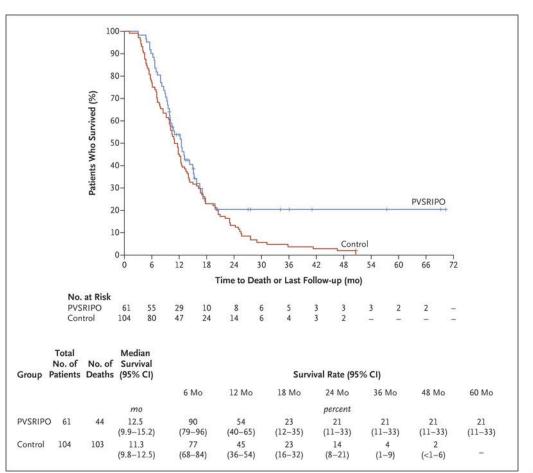






## Glioblastoma Treated with Recombinant Poliovirus

- PVSRIPO
  - Nonpathogenic polio-rhinovirus chimera
- Demographics
  - 61 pts with
  - Solitary 1 5.5 cm recurrence









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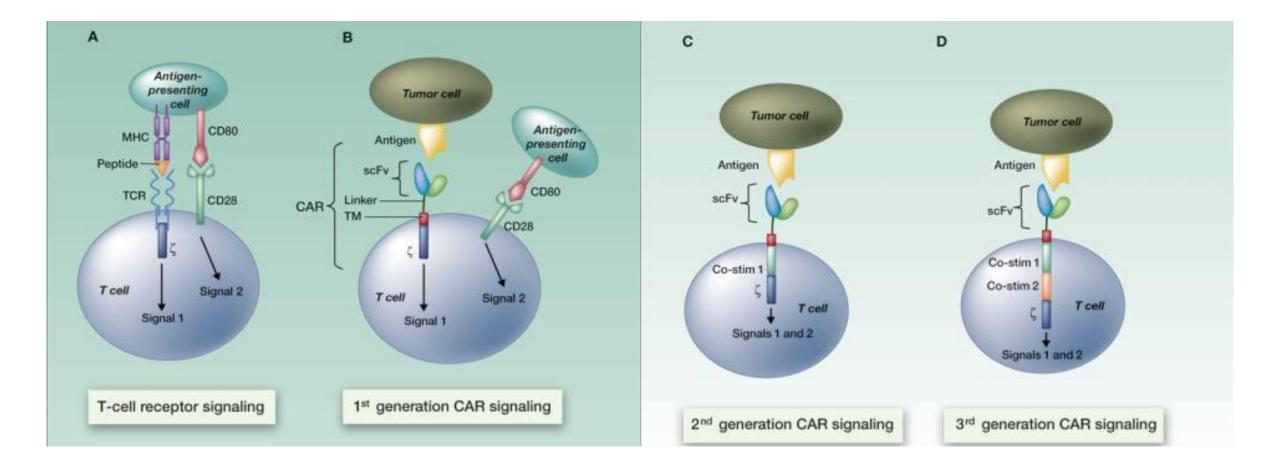
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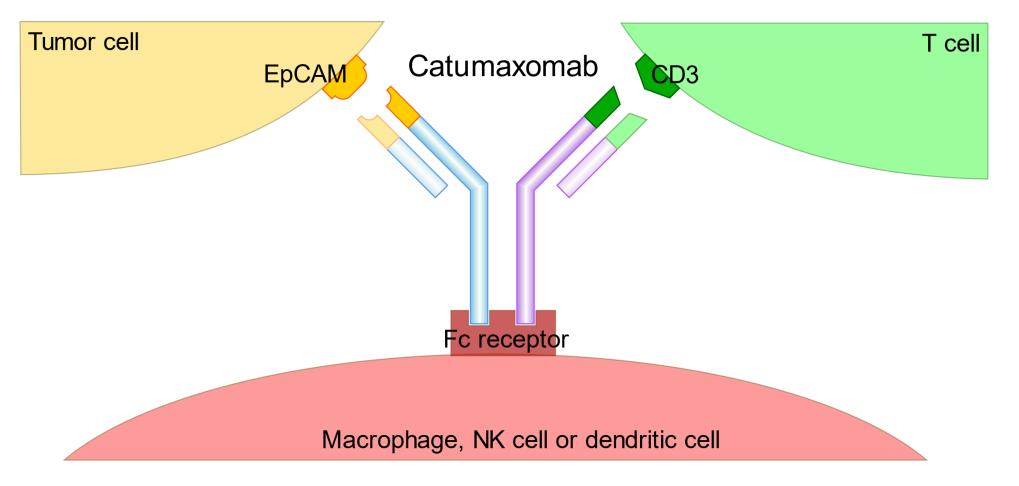
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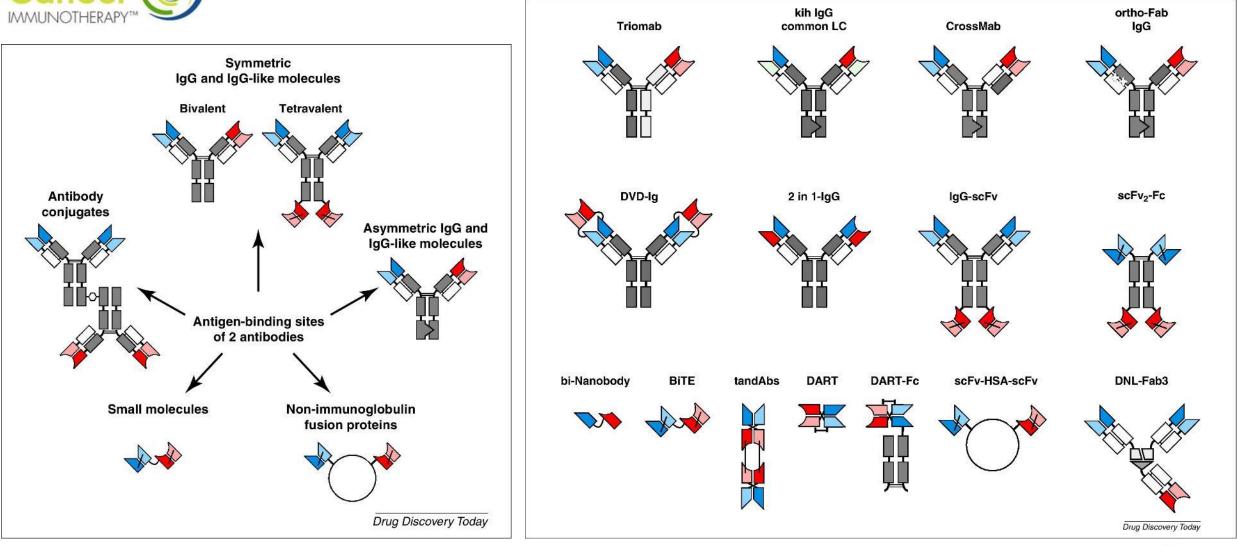


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## e.g. (CEA, PSMA, CD20, HER2, CD19) + CD3



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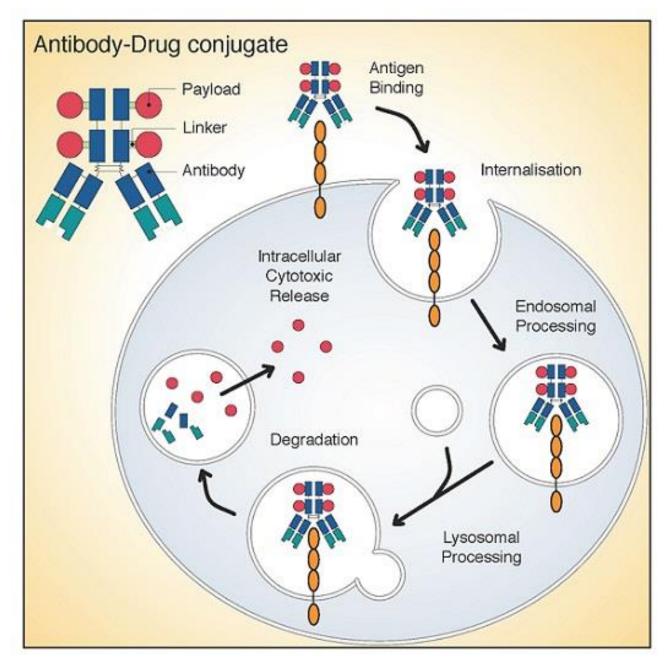
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- Pancreas Cancer: PegPH20 + pembrolizumab
- Hepatocellular Cancer: Y90 + pembrolizumab
- Colon Cancer: Pembrolizumab +/- Mek Inhibitor +/- Chemotherapy
  - Atezolizumab + Cobimetinib in the 3<sup>rd</sup> line, press release negative.



- Anti PD1 + Anti CTLA4
- Anti PD1 + < Insert Your Anti Inhibitor >
- Anti PD1 + < Insert Your Agonist Stimulator >
- Anti PD1 + Chemotherapy
- Anti PD1 + Novel Agent to Make Immune System Work Better
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- CAR-T cells

