## Curative Potential of Cell Transfer Therapy for Cancer

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#### **DEVELOPMENT OF CELLULAR IMMUNOLOGY**

1880's: Antibodies described

(dominated studies of immunology until 1960's)

<u>1958</u>: <u>Journal of Immunology</u> (137 papers)

"lymphocyte" not listed in index

Two papers on transfer of lymph node cells were the

only papers dealing with lymphocytes

1960's: Importance of cellular immunology recognized as

mediator of: allograft rejection

protection against transfer of mouse tumors

1970's: No convincing evidence for human lymphocytes reactive

with cancer or the existence of human cancer antigens

No successful immunotherapies for cancer in humans

#### **RECOMBINANT INTERLEUKIN-2**

- 1. T-cell Growth Factor (IL-2) described by Morgan et al (Science 193:1007,1976).
- DNA sequence of the gene coding for IL-2 was determined by Taniguchi, et al. (*Nature* 302:305, 1983).
- 3. IL-2 gene was expressed in E. coli; the biologic characteristics of this recombinant IL-2 were determined; Lymphokine Activated Killer (LAK) cells described (Rosenberg, S.A., et al., *Science* 223:1412, 1984).

#### LABORATORY AND PRECLINICAL MURINE STUDIES THAT PRECEDED HUMAN CLINICAL TRIALS

Mouse: Susan Schwarz Demonstration that cells grown in IL-2

maintain antigen specific functions in vitro **Paul Spiess** 

**Human: John Strausser** 

Discovery of lymphokine activated killer Mouse: Ilana Yron

(LAK) cells that recognize cancer cells **Human: Michael Lotze** 

**Elizabeth Grimm** 

Properties of anti-tumor lymphocytes in vitro Mouse: **Douglas Mathisen** 

(LAK and TIL cells) **Maury Rosenstein** 

**James Yang** 

Human: Amithabha Mazumder

**Linda Muul** 

**Suzanne Topalian** 

Anti-tumor effects of IL-2 and cell transfer in James Mule Mouse:

murine models

**Timothy Eberlein** 

**Stephen Ettinghausen** 

Suyu Shu

(over 90 peer reviewed publications on these topics: 1978-1985)

## EARLY EFFORTS TO DEVELOP HUMAN CANCER IMMUNOTHERAPY IN THE SURGERY BRANCH, NIH

Date	Administration to patients with metastatic cancer	
7/20/83	Natural mammalian IL-2 (Phase I)	16 patients
3/21/84	LAK cells produced with recombinant IL-2	27 patients
3/30/84	Recombinant IL-2 (Phase I)	23 patients
	Total	66 patients
11/29/84	High-dose bolus IL-2 plus LAK cells	

#### PATIENT: L.T.

31 year old female referred to NCI with metastatic melanoma

June, 1982 Excision level III melanoma of the scapula

Dec., 1983 Subcutaneous metastases

March, 1983 Treated with alpha-interferon; disease progressed

Nov., 1984 To NCI, multiple subcutaneous metastases

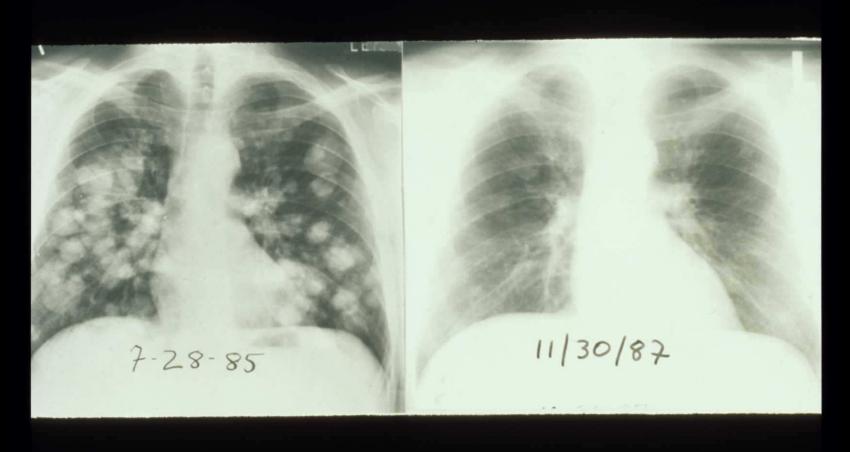
Treated with high dose bolus IL-2 plus LAK cells

Complete regression of metastases.

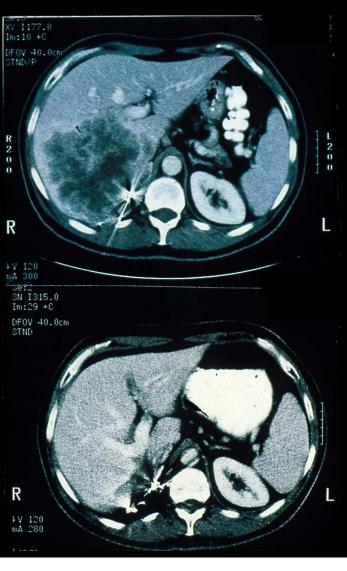
Remains disease free as of June, 2015.

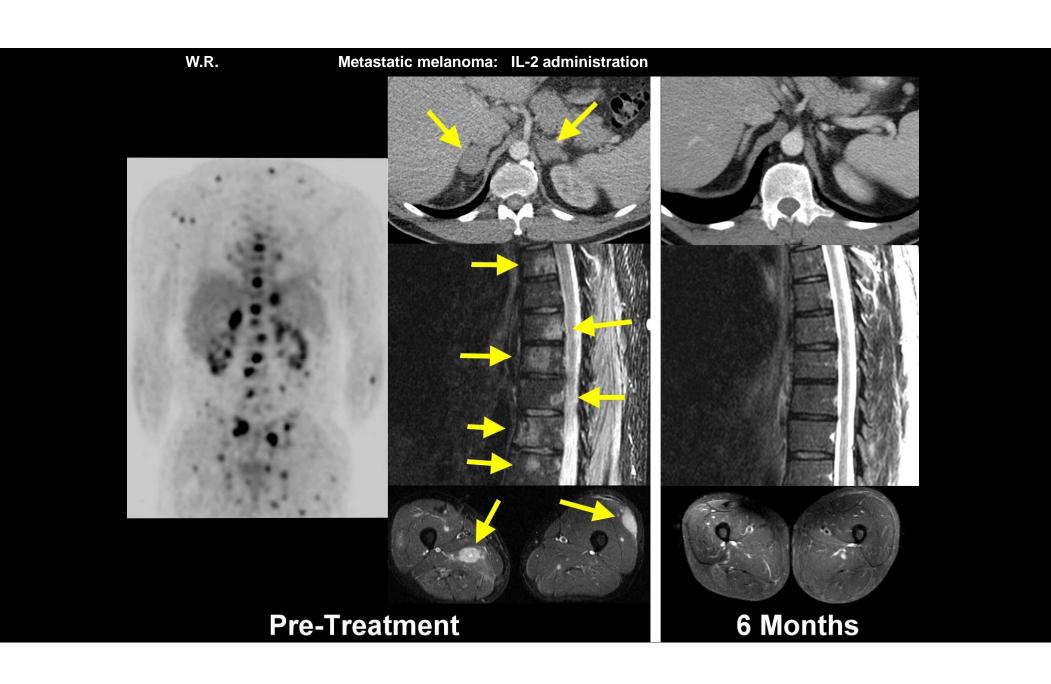
(New Engl. J. Med. 313:1485, 1985)

#### **Metastatic melanoma: IL-2 administration**



#### **Metastatic renal cancer: IL-2 administration**



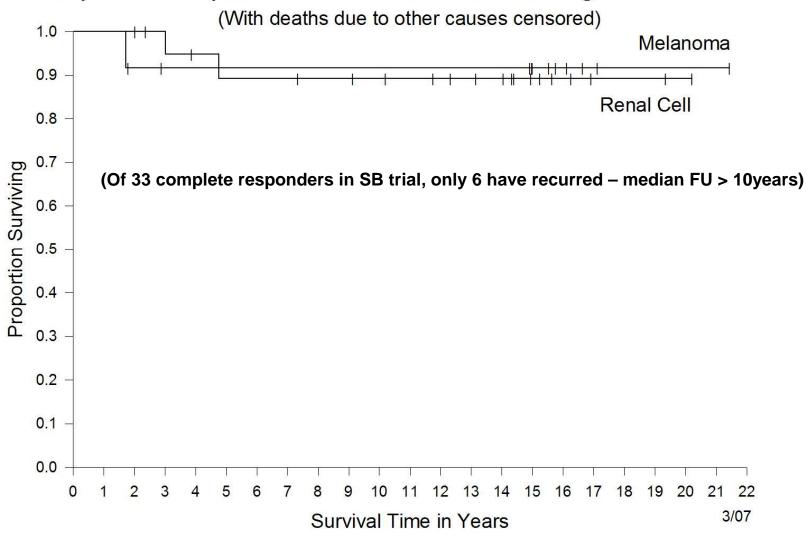


# RESPONSE OF PATIENTS WITH METASTATIC CANCER TREATED USING HIGH-DOSE BOLUS INTERLEUKIN-2

Diagnosis	Total	CR	PR	CR + PR
		Number	of patients (%	%)
Melanoma	182	12 (7%)	16 (9%)	28 (15%)
Renal Cell Cancer	227	21 (9%)	22 (10%)	43 (19%)
Total	409	33 (8%)	38 (9%)	71 (17%)

Patients accrued between Sept. 1985 and Nov. 1996. Follow-up as of June 1, 2005 (median follow-up 14.3 yrs)

#### Complete Response to Treatment with High-Dose IL-2



## Interleukin-2 was the first immunotherapy approved by the FDA

Approved by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration 1992 Metastatic renal cancer 1998 Metastatic melanoma

#### Licensing trial of IL-2 for melanoma

270 patients from 22 institutions

Objective responses: 43 (16%)

Partial: 26 (10%)

Complete: 17 (6%)

(Atkins et.al. J Clin Onco 17:2105-2116,1999)

# TREATMENT RELATED MORTALITY OF ALL PATIENTS RECEIVING HIGH-DOSE, BOLUS IL-2 (720,000 IU/KG)\*

1 <sup>ST</sup> 155 patients	1/5/85 – 8/17/86	3.2%
next 310 patients	8/18/86 - 4/26/89	1.3%
next 1367 patients	7/28/89 – 9/1/03	0.4%

<sup>\*</sup>Patients received IL-2 alone or in conjunction with cells, other cytokines or vaccines

#### **QUESTION**

What <u>cells</u> were responsible for the regression of melanoma in patients treated with IL-2 based immunotherapy?

#### **TUMOR INFILTRATING LYMPHOCYTES (TIL)**

TIL are immune cells that infiltrate into the stroma of growing tumors and can be grown in vitro in medium containing IL-2.

TIL can recognize autologous cancer cells based on assays of specific lysis or specific cytokine release when cocultured with cancer cells.

(Mouse: Science 233:1318, 1986)

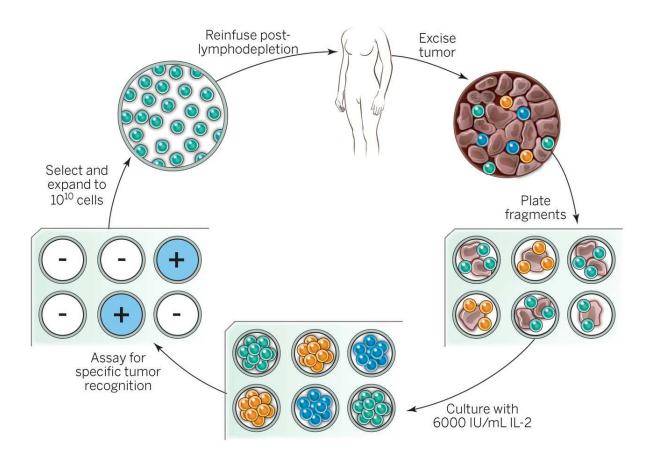
(Human: NEJM 319:1676, 1988)

## ADVANTAGES OF CELL TRANSFER THERAPY

- Administer large numbers of highly selected cells with high avidity for tumor antigens.
- 2. Administer cells activated ex-vivo to exhibit anti-tumor effector function.
- 3. Manipulate host prior to cell transfer to provide altered environment for transferred cells.

(First trials with autologous TIL reported in Dec. 1988 in NEJM.)

#### Adoptive cell therapy (ACT) using tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes (TIL)



# INITIAL RESULTS WITH CELL TRANSFER THERAPY FOLLOWING LYMPHODEPLETING CHEMOTHERAPY

Six of 13 (46%) patients with metastatic melanoma experienced objective cancer regression.

Four patients had mixed or minor responses.

All had previously been refractory to IL-2 administration and eight had prior chemotherapy.

(Dudley et al Science 298:850-854, 2002)

### Summary of Cell Transfer Protocols for the Treatment of Patients with Metastatic Melanoma\*

(median potential follow-up 9.8 years)

_Total	PR	CR	OR_
	number of patient	ts (duration in months)	
93	32 (34%)	20 (22%)	52 (56%)
	84, 36, 29, 28, 21,	137+,135+,134+,124+,120+,	
	14, 14, 13, 12, 11,	120+,116+,113+,104+,101+,	
	9, 8, 7, 7, 7,	100+,95+, 94+, 94+, 94+,	
	6, 6, 6, 6, 6,	93+, 82+, 64+, 63+, 19	
	5, 5, 4, 4, 4,		
	3, 3, 3, 2, 2,		
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<sup>\*</sup>from 3 consecutive trials using different lymphodepleting regimens

(Rosenberg et al, Clin Cancer Res 17:4550-7, 2011)

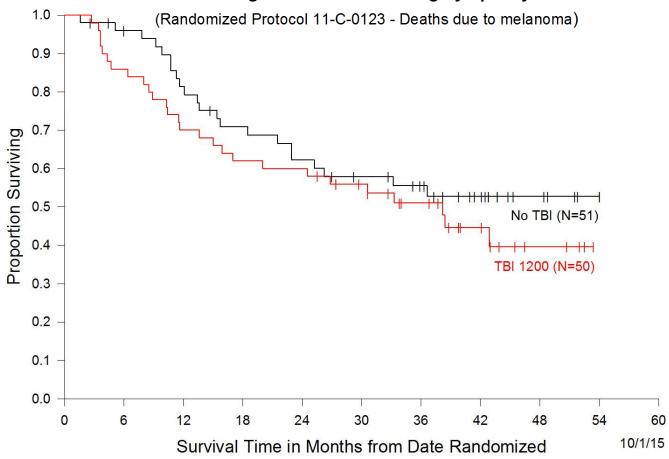
#### Randomized NMA vs NMA-TBI Study

10/1/15

<b>Treatment</b>	Total	PR	CR	OR (%)
	num	ber of patients (duration	in months)	
NMA	51	11 (22%)	12 (24%)	23 (45%
		51+,43+,38+,37+,29+,	48+,45+,44+,42+,42+,	
		21, 19, 7, 6, 4,	42+,41+,40+,39+,36+,	
		4	36+,32+	
NMA-TBI	50	19 (38%)	12 (24%)	31 (62%
		51+,50+,40+,25,19+,	53+,46+,45+,42+,42+,	
		14, 13, 11, 11,10,	38+,37+,36+,27, 27+,	
		9, 9, 9, 9, 8,	25+,14+	

(24 complete responses: 23 ongoing at 14 to 53 months; median potential followup 40.2 months)

### Survival of Patients with Metastatic Melanoma Treated with Autologous Tumor Infiltrating Lymphocytes and IL-2



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	number of patients (durati	on in months)	
194	62 (32%)	44 (23%)	106 (55%)
84, 4	6+, 46+, 46+, 39+, 38+, 36, 36+,	137+,135+,134+,124+,	121+,
34+,	29, 28, 25, 23+, 21, 21, 19,	120+,117+,114+,108+,	101+,
19+,	14, 14, 14, 13, 13, 12, 11,	100+, 98+, 95+, 94+,	94+,
11, <i>'</i>	11, 10, 9, 9, 9, 9, 9,	93+, 82+, 64+, 63+,	51+,
8, 8	, 7, 7, 7, 6, 6,	43+, 42+, 42+, 41+,	41+,
6, 6	, 6, 6, 6, 5, 5, 5,	40+, 40+, 40+, 39+,	38+,
5, 4	, 4, 4, 4, 4, 3,	38+, 38+, 36+, 36+,	36+,
3, 3	, 2, 2, 2	35+, 32+, 30+, 29+,	27,
		22+, 19, 19+, 14+	

<sup>\*</sup>from four trials (5 groups) using different lymphodepleting regimens

(42 of 44 Complete Responders ongoing from 14 to 137 months)

#### **Questions Guiding Current Efforts**

What do TIL recognize that enables the in vivo control of the last cancer cell?

Can this supply clues to the immunotherapy of common epithelial cancers?

#### Clues to Identify the Antigen Recognized by TIL

#### Unlikely to be melanoma/melanocyte differentiation antigens

minimal to no eye and ear toxicity
major eye and ear toxicity when treating with MART-1
and gp100 gene-engineered cells

#### **Unlikely to be cancer-germline antigens**

minimal reactivity in TIL
no correlation with response
labor intensive cDNA cloning in a small number of patients
reactivity against somatic mutations

showed

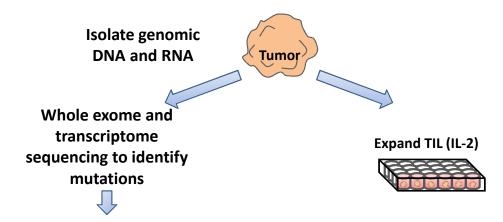
#### Mining the Cancer Exome to Identify Immunogenic Cancer Mutations

For a mutation to be a cancer antigen it has to:

- 1) be processed intracellularly into a 9-11 amino acid peptide
- 2) the peptide must fit and be presented in the groove of on one of the patient's surface MHC molecules

Thus, only some mutations will be antigenic.

## Blueprint for the generation of mutation-reactive T-cells in common cancers



Synthesize mutated tandem minigenes (TMGs) that encode 25mers containing all mutations and/or peptides

Robbins et al, Nature Med 19:747-752, 2013 Lu et al, J Immunol 190:6034-42, 2013 Tran et al, Science 344:641-645, 2014 Tran et al, Science Oct. 29, 2015

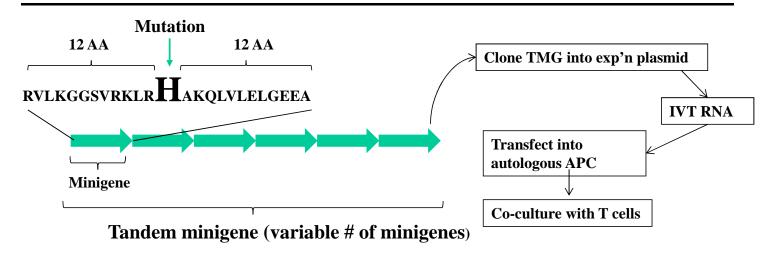
#### **Tandem minigene (TMG):**

## String of minigenes encoding the mutated AA flanked by 12 AA

mutation
12 aa 12 aa

RVLKGGSVRKLR HAKQLVLELGEEA

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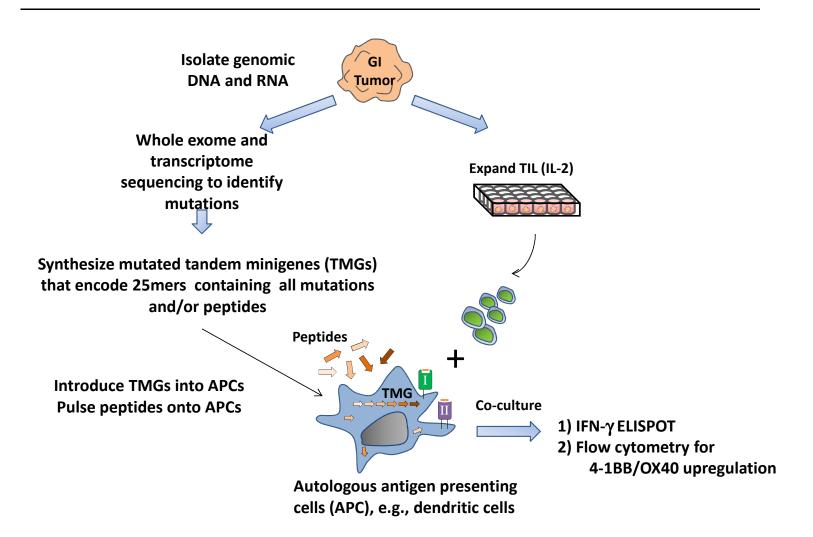
#### Advantages of this approach:

No need to predict peptide binding to MHC.

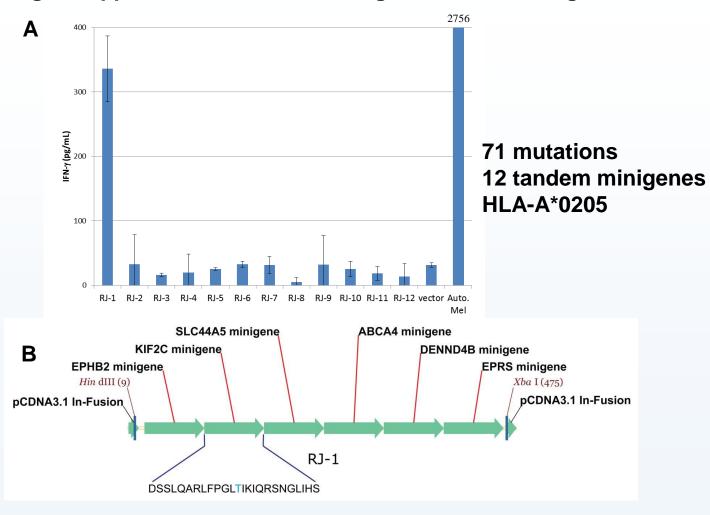
All candidate peptides and all MHC loci are included in the screen.

No tumor cell line necessary.

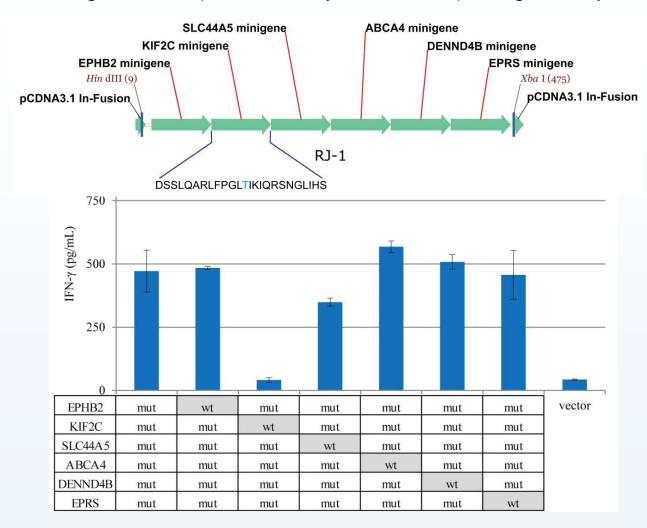
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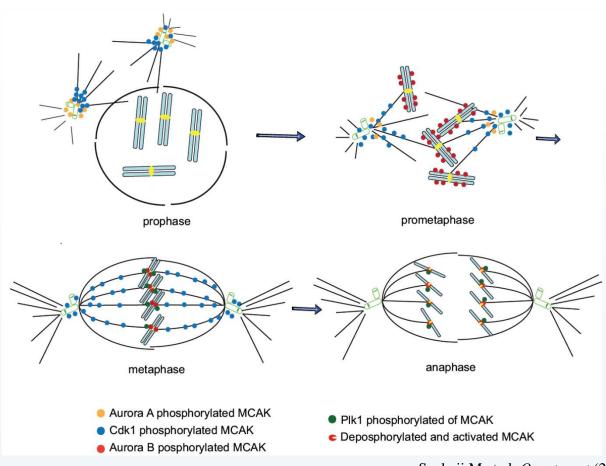
#### Minigene approach: J. bulk TILs recognize tandem minigene RJ-1



#### Mutated antigen KIF2C (kinesin family member 2C) recognized by R. J. TILs



### Kinesin family member 2C (KIF2C) also known as mitotic centromere-associated Kinesin (MCAK)



Sanhaji M et al, Oncotarget (2011)

Mutated antigens recognized by T cells from melanoma patients

Patient	Antigen	HLA RE	Patient	Antigen	HLA RE
164	ARCT1	DR <b>ß1</b> *0101	3713	WDR46	A*02:01
1290	CTNNB1	A*2402	3713	AHNAK	A*02:01
1290	Ki-67	DRβ1*1502	3713	SRPX	A*02:01
1359	CDC27	DR <b>β</b> 1*0401	3713	CENPL	A*29:02
1362	MART2	A*0101	3713	HELZ2	A*29:02
1363	LDLR-FUT	DRβ1*0101	3713	PRDX3	A*29:02
1558	TPI	DRβ1*0101	3713	GCN1L1	A*29:02
1700	NOP56	A*0201	3713	PLSCR4	A*29:02
1913	HLA-A11	-	3713	AFMID	A*29:02
1913	CDKN2A	A*11:01	3713	SEC22C	B*44:03
2098	CSNK1A1	A*02:01	3713	TPX2	B*44:03
2098	GAS7	A*02:01	3716	RXRB	Unknown class I
2098	HAUS3	A*02:01	3716	TFDP2	Unknown class I
2224	KPNA5	A*02:01	3784	FLNA	Unknown class I
2359	KIF2C	A*02:05	3784	GNB5	Unknown class I
2369	PPP1R3B	A*01:01	3784	KIF16B	Unknown class I
2369	PLEKHM2	A*01:01	3868	GANAB	A*02:01
2369	DOPEY2	A*26:01	3903	PHKA1	B*38:01
2556	MYH14	A*01:01	3903	KIAA1279	B*38:01
2556	RAC1	A*02:01	3919	TRIP12	A*01:01
2591	POLA2	C*07:01	3919	CFDP1	A*30:01
3309	MATN2	A*11:01	3919	TRIP12	Unknown class II
3309	CDK12	A*11:01	3998	MAGEA6	A*01:01
3466	COL18A1	A*02:01	3998	MED13	Unknown class I
3466	TEAD1	A*02:01	3998	PDS5A	Unknown class I
3466	ERBB2	A*02:01	3998	FAM20C	Unknown class I
3466	PDZD8	B*44:02	4000	GPD2	Unknown class I
3466	PXMP4	B*39:01	4000	AMPH	A*02:01
3466	KHSRP	B*39:01	4000	EVA1A	Unknown class I
3678	FBXO21	Unknown class I	4000	SETD1A	Unknown class I
3678	PDIA5	Unknown class II	4000	DBT	Unknown class I
3703	NSHDL	A*02:01	4000	HIVEP2	Unknown class I

64 somatic mutations identified using TIL from 25 patients with melanoma. All were unique.

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#### Patient M.B.

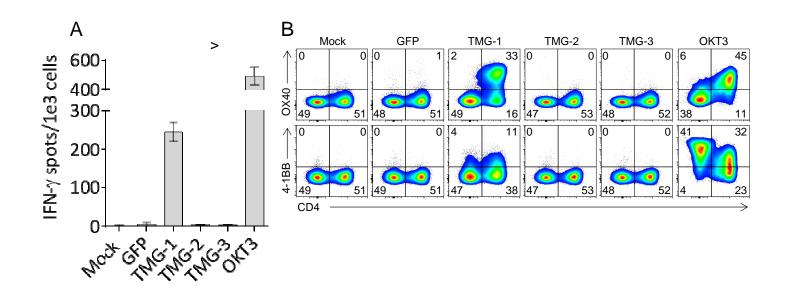
45 y.o. fema	le with metastatic cholangiocarcinoma
12/2009	Right hepatectomy for cholangiocarcinoma
4/2010	Multiple lung and liver metastases
	Received cisplatin and gemcitabine: PD
5/2011	Taxotere chemotherapy: PD
3/2012	Lung lesion resected for TIL; TIL infused; minimal response (not PR) then PD
10/2013	TMG approach to target unique cancer mutations

(Tran et al, Science 344:641-645, 2014)

(26 somatic mutations encoded in 3 TMG)

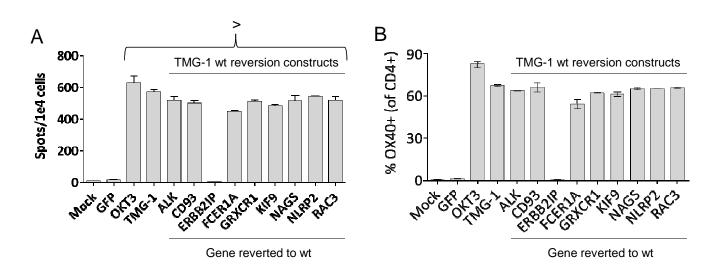
### Only TMG-1 is recognized by CD4+ T cells in MB-3737 infusion bag

#### A) IFN-g ELISPOT assay; B) Flow cytometry



### Only mutated ERBB2IP is recognized by CD4+ T cells in MB-3737 infusion bag

Co-culture exp't (transfected DCs + Infusion bagy; A B) Flow cytometry

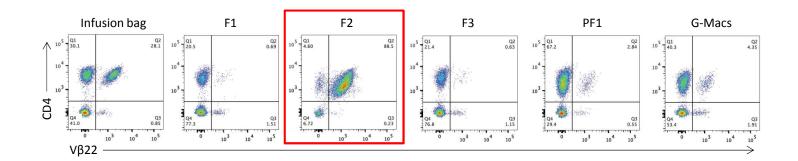


### **ERBB2IP**

**Tumor suppressor that binds to ERBB2** 

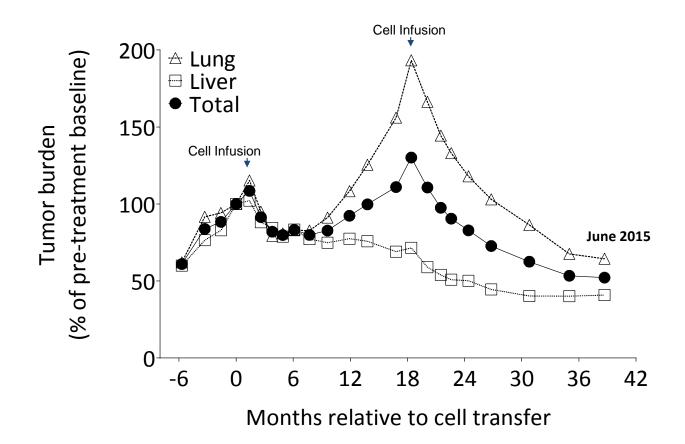
Attenuates downstream RAS/ERK signaling

### **Isolation of ERBB2IP reactive cells**



**Use purified ERBB2IP autologous lymphocytes for treatment** 

(Tran et al, Science 344:641-645, 2014)



## Tumor regression after ACT with ERBB2IP-mutation-reactive CD4+ cells



#### Mutated antigens recognized by T cells from patients with epithelial cancers

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3737	cholangio.	ERBB2IP	DQβ1*06:01	4069	pancreatic	ZFYVE27	Unknown class I
3978	cholangio.	ITGB4	Unknown class II	3948	esophageal	PLEC	Unknown class II
3569	colon	CSMD2	Unknown class I	3948	esophageal	XPO7	Unknown class II
3971	colon	CASP8	Unknown class I	3948	esophageal	AKAP2	Unknown class II
3971	colon	MARK1	B*08:01	4014	NSCLC	TGFBRAP1	Unknown class I
3971	colon	XYLT1	Unknown class I	4014	NSCLC	USP11	B*57:01
3971	colon	HIST1H3B	A*02:01	4014	NSCLC	FDT1	Unknown class I
3995	colon	KRAS	C*08:02	4014	NSCLC	HYAL2	Unknown class I
3995	colon	TUBGCP2	Unknown class I	4014	NSCLC	ATRIP	Unknown class II
3995	colon	RNF213	Unknown class I	4014	NSCLC	CSNK2A1	Unknown class II
4007	colon	SKIV2L	A*03:01	4037	NSCLC	NPM1	Unknown class I
4007	colon	H3F3B	Unknown class I	4037	NSCLC	NPM1	Unknown class II
4032	colon	API5	Unknown class I	4037	NSCLC	ACOT7	Unknown class II
4032	colon	RNF10	Unknown class I	4037	NSCLC	RAD50	Unknown class II
4032	colon	PHLPP1	Unknown class I	4037	NSCLC	TNK1	Unknown class II
4060	colon	SMC2A	Unknown class II	4037	NSCLC	KIAA1432	Unknown class II
4071	colon	QSOX2	Unknown class I	4073	NSCLC	FAM83A	Unknown class I
4071	colon	MRPS28	Unknown class I	4097	ovarian	HIST1H1B	Unknown class II
4071	colon	POR	Unknown class I	4097	ovarian	FLOT1	Unknown class II
4077	colon	CPSF6	Unknown class I	4097	ovarian	DEF6	Unknown class II
4077	colon	HIST1H2BE	Unknown class I	4097	ovarian	GAK	Unknown class II
4077	colon	FLII	A*02:01	4097	ovarian	INPP5K	Unknown class II
4090	colon	USP8	Unknown class I	4046	ovarian	USP9X	Unknown class I
4090	colon	MRPL39	Unknown class II	4062	breast	RPBJ	Unknown class II
4095	colon	KRAS	C*08:02	3775	cervical	SETDB1	Unknown class I
3942	rectal	NUP98	Unknown class I	3775	cervical	METTL17	Unknown class I
3942	rectal	KARS	Unknown class I	3775	cervical	ALDH1A1	Unknown class I
3942	rectal	GPD2	Unknown class II				
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57 somatic mutations from 22 patients with epithelial cancers recognized by autologous TIL. All were unique (except one).

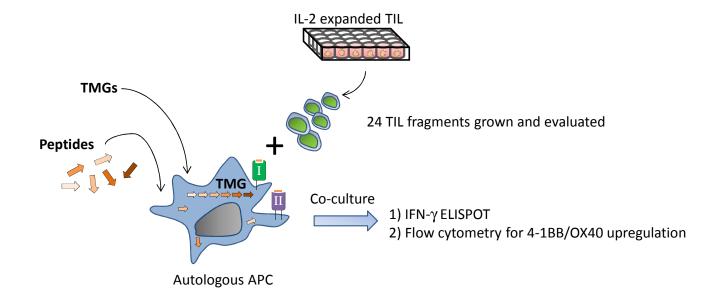
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4071	colon	QSOX2	Unknown class I	4073	NSCLC	FAM83A	Unknown class I
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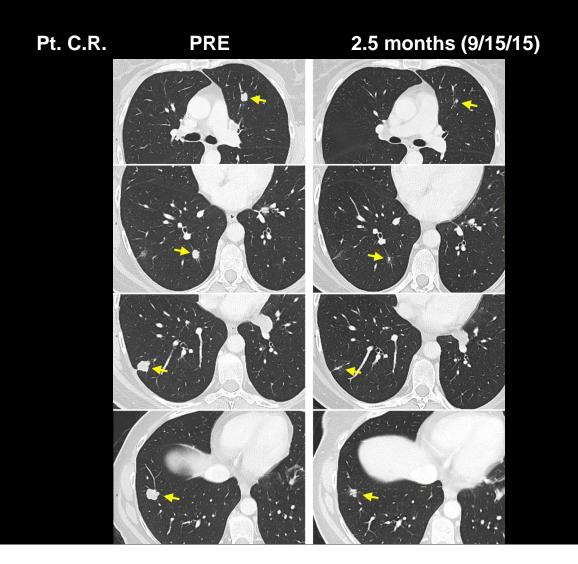
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### Patient CR (4095)

- Whole-exome and transcriptome sequencing performed on lung lesions from colon cancer
  - 61 putative mutations identified
  - 5 TMGs constructed
  - 4 long (25-amino acids) peptide pools
  - 3 short (8-11 amino acids) peptide pools



## **Tumor regression after ACT with KRAS-mutation-reactive CD4+ cells**



### **Detection of Immunogenic Mutations in Epithelial Cancers**

Cancer type	# patients evaluated	# patients with immunogenic mutations
Ovary	5	4
Lung	8	7
Cervix	2	1
Head and Neck	1	0
Bladder	2	2
Breast	2	1
Bile Duct	7	5
Colorectum	12	12
Esophagus	2	2
Pancreas	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	42	35

35 of 42 patients with metastatic epithelial cancers expressed immunogenic mutations (all unique except KRAS)

Cell therapy using autologous T-cells that target unique random somatic mutations is a possible treatment for all cancers with a sufficient mutational load.

# Potential Improvements in Targeting Somatic Cancer Mutations

# Develop methods for identifying tumor-reactive T-cells and TCRs against multiple somatic mutations

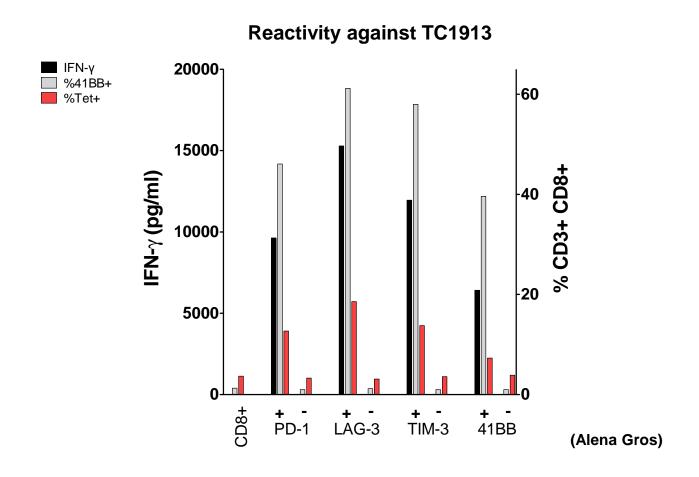
PD1+ cells in tumor and PBL recognize cancer (Alena Gros)

Rank frequency of TCRs in PD1+ cells is related to antitumor activity (Anna Pasetto)

### Genetic Engineering of TCRs into autologous naïve T-cells

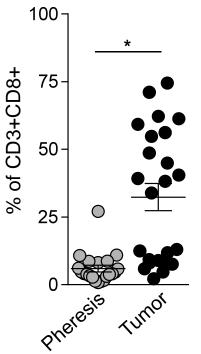
transient retroviral supernatant CRISPR/CAS transposon/transposase

# Lymphocytes reactive with autologous tumor are highly enriched in subsets expressing PD-1, LAG-3, TIM-3 and 41BB



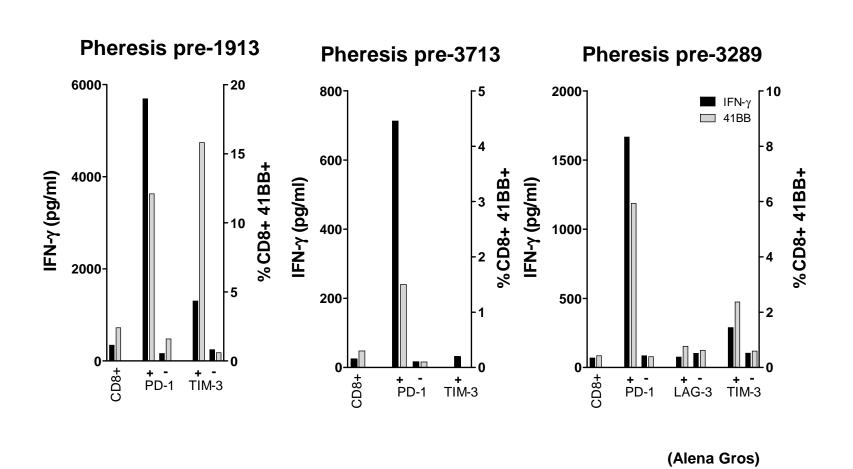
# PD-1 expression in peripheral blood lymphocytes is far less prevalent than in TIL



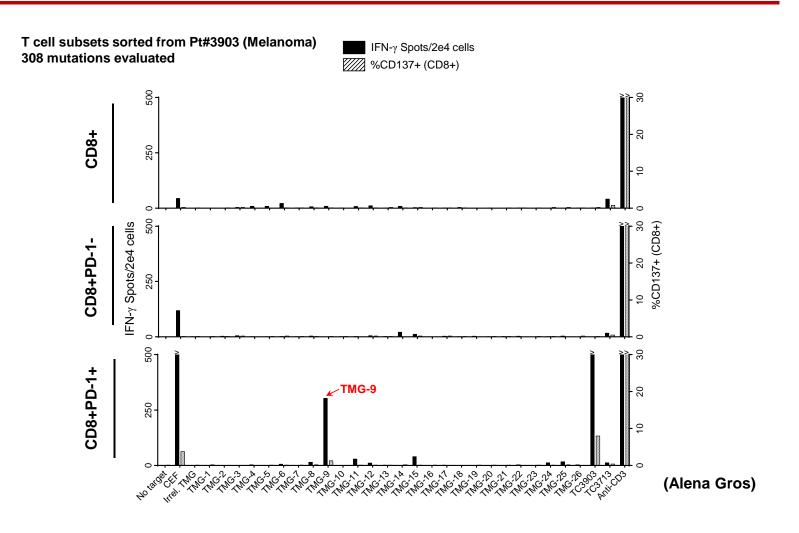


(Alena Gros)

# Enrichment of tumor-reactive cells from peripheral blood by selecting PD-1+ cells



# Selection of peripheral blood CD8+PD-1+ cells from enriches for mutation-reactive cells

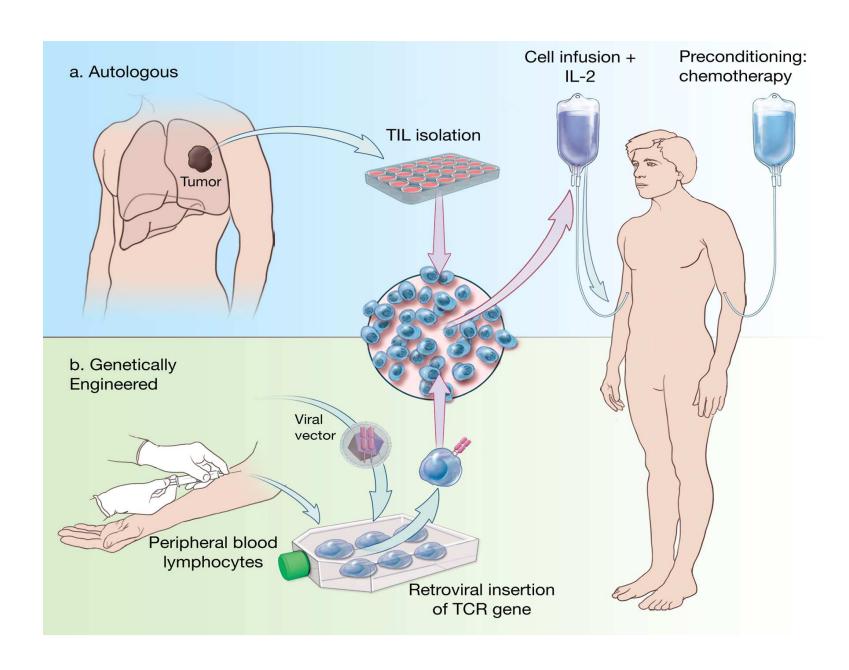


# In 10 of 12 melanoma patients the top 1 or 2 ranked TCRs recognize the cancer

Patient	Rank frequency of TCRs that recognize cancer (of top 10 most frequent TCRs)
1913	2, 3, 4, 6
2650	1, 5, 6, 9
3678	4, 5
3713	2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10
3759	1, 2, 3, 4, 6
3784	2, 8, 9,10
3903	1
3922	1
3926	1, 3, 5, 7
3977	1, 6
3992	none
3998	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

(Anna Pasetto)

<sup>\*</sup>not all of the top 10 TCRs tested because of ongoing work to match the  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$  chains



### Genetic Modification of Peripheral Lymphocytes with Retroviruses Encoding TCRs or CARs

# Cancer Regression in Patients After Transfer of Genetically Engineered Lymphocytes

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Eradication of B-lineage cells and regression of lymphoma in a patient treated with autologous T cells genetically engineered to recognize CD19

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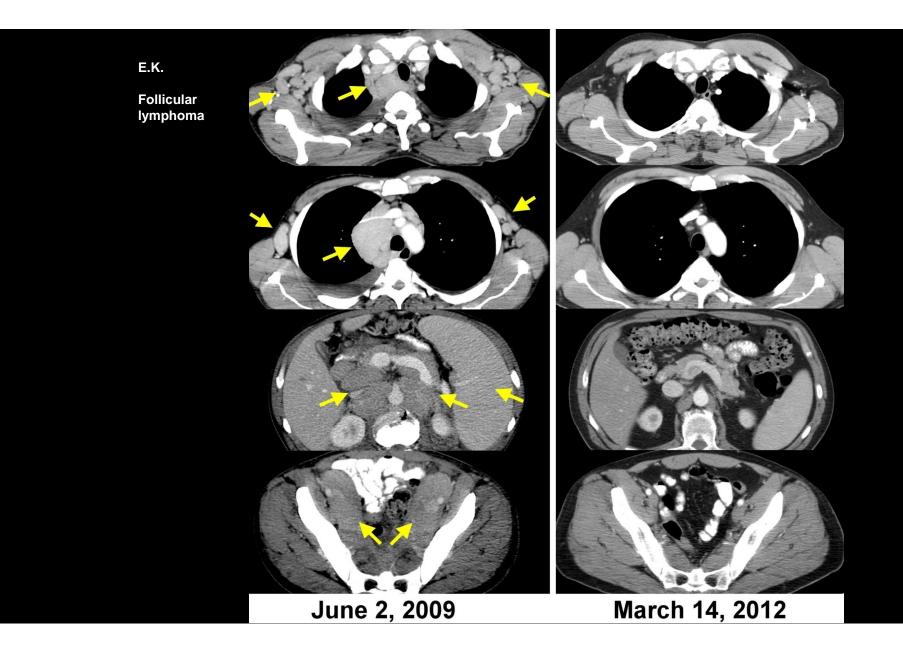
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## Five of nine large-cell lymphoma patients obtained CRs

	Lymphoma	Number of prior	Infused CAR+ T	Response (duration in
<u>Patient</u>	<u>type</u>	<u>therapies</u>	<u>cells/kg</u>	<u>months)</u>
1	<b>PMBCL</b>	4	5x10 <sup>6</sup>	CR (35+)
2	<b>PMBCL</b>	3	2.5x10 <sup>6</sup>	NE, death
3	DLBCL, NOS	5	2.5x10 <sup>6</sup>	CR (25+)
4	<b>PMBCL</b>	10	2.5x10 <sup>6</sup>	CR (21+)
5	<b>PMBCL</b>	3	2.5x10 <sup>6</sup>	SD (1)
6	DLBCL, transformed from CLL	13	1x10 <sup>6</sup>	PR (1)
7	DLBCL, NOS	3	1x10 <sup>6</sup>	NE
8	DLBCL, NOS	2	1x10 <sup>6</sup>	CR (6)
9	DLBCL, NOS	3	1x10 <sup>6</sup>	CR (17+)

All but Patient 9 were refractory to their last chemotherapy regimen prior to enrollment, Patient 9 had relapsed after auto stem cell transplant.

Patient 9 had a delayed conversion from PR to CR.



### Responses to Therapy with NY-ESO-1 TCR (4/15/14)

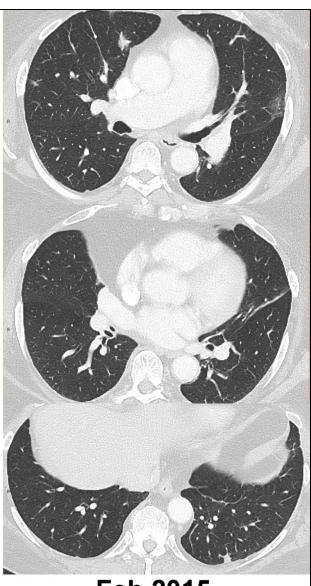
	Total	PR	CR	OR
	nı	umber of patients (d	uration in mont	hs)
Melanoma	20	7 (35%) (28, 10+, 10**, 8, 5, 3, 3)	4 (20%) (58+, 48+, 31+**, 24)	11 (55%)
Synovial Cell Sarcoma	18	9 (50%) (42+**,14*, 8,7, 5, 4, 3**, 3, 2)	1(7%) (16+)	10 (56%)

<sup>\*</sup>treated twice

(Robbins et al J Clin Oncol 29:917-924, 2011)

<sup>\*\*</sup>plus ALVAC vaccine

A.R. Synovial sarcoma NY-ESO-1 TCR



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### **Conclusions**

Cell transfer therapy can mediate durable regressions in patients with metastatic cancer refractory to other treatments.

Identification and targeting of mutations unique to each cancer has the potential to extend cell therapy to patients with common epithelial cancers.

Autologous peripheral lymphocytes genetically modified to express anti-tumor T cell receptors can mediate cancer regression in vivo.









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#### High-Dose Recombinant Interleukin 2 Therapy for Patients With Metastatic Melanoma: Analysis of 270 Patients Treated Between 1985 and 1993

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<u>Purpose</u>: To determine the short- and long-term efficacy and toxicity of the high-dose intravenous bolus interleukin 2 (IL-2) regimen in patients with metastatic melanoma.

Patients and Methods: Two hundred seventy assessable patients were entered onto eight clinical trials conducted between 1985 and 1993. IL-2 (Proleukin [aldesleukin]; Chiron Corp, Emeryville, CA) 600,000 or 720,000 IU/kg was administered by 15-minute intravenous infusion every 8 hours for up to 14 consecutive doses over 5 days as clinically tolerated with maximum support, including pressors. A second identical treatment cycle was scheduled after 6 to 9 days of rest, and courses could be repeated every 6 to 12 weeks in stable or responding patients. Data were analyzed through fall 1996.

<u>Results</u>: The overall objective response rate was 16% (95% confidence interval, 12% to 21%); there were 17 complete responses (CRs) (6%) and 26 partial responses (PRs) (10%). Responses occurred with all sites of disease

and in patients with large tumor burdens. The median response duration for patients who achieved a CR has not been reached and was 5.9 months for those who achieved a PR. Twelve (28%) of the responding patients, including 10 (59%) of the patients who achieved a CR, remain progression-free. Disease did not progress in any patient responding for more than 30 months. Baseline performance status and whether patients had received prior systemic therapy were the only predictive prognostic factors for response to IL-2 therapy. Toxicities, although severe, generally reversed rapidly after therapy was completed. Six patients (2%) died from adverse events, all related to sepsis.

<u>Conclusion</u>: High-dose IL-2 treatment seems to benefit some patients with metastatic melanoma by producing durable CRs or PRs and should be considered for appropriately selected melanoma patients.

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# EARLY EFFORTS TO DEVELOP HUMAN CANCER IMMUNOTHERAPY IN THE CLINICAL CENTER, NIH

Date	Administration to patients with metastatic cancer	
11/68	Blood transfusion from a patient with spontaneous regression	1 patient
11/15/77	Pig lymphocytes sensitized to human cancer	6 patients
1/29/80	Lymphokine Activated Killer (LAK) cells – (generated in mammalian IL-2; In-III labelled)	3 patients
7/20/83	Natural mammalian IL-2 (Phase I)	16 patients
3/21/84	LAK cells produced with recombinant IL-2	27 patients
3/30/84	Recombinant IL-2 (Phase I)	23 patients
11/29/84	High-dose bolus IL-2 plus LAK cells	76 patients

# A PROGRESS REPORT ON THE TREATMENT OF 157 PATIENTS WITH ADVANCED CANCER USING LYMPHOKINE-ACTIVATED KILLER CELLS AND INTERLEUKIN-2 OR HIGH-DOSE INTERLEUKIN-2 ALONE

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Abstract We studied the effects of adoptive immunotherapy with lymphokine-activated killer (LAK) cells plus interleukin-2 or therapy with high-dose interleukin-2 alone in 157 patients with metastatic cancer for whom standard therapy had proved ineffective or no standard effective treatment was available. One hundred eight patients were treated with 127 courses of LAK cells plus interleukin-2, and 49 patients were treated with 53 courses of high-dose interleukin-2 alone.

Of 106 evaluable patients receiving LAK cells plus interleukin-2, 8 had complete responses, 15 had partial responses, and 10 had minor responses. The median duration of response was 10 months among those with complete responses and 6 months among those with partial responses; the patient with the longest complete response was still in remission 22 months after treatment. Of 46 evaluable patients treated with high-dose

interleukin-2 alone, 1 had a complete response (remission >4 months), 5 had partial responses (2, >3, >5, 7, and >11 months), and 1 had a minor response. Seven of the total of nine complete responses still remain in remission. Hypotension, weight gain, oliguria, and elevation of bilirubin and creatinine levels were common, but these side effects resolved promptly after interleukin-2 administration was stopped. There have been four treatment-related deaths among these 157 patients.

This immunotherapeutic approach can result in marked tumor regression in some patients for whom no other effective therapy is available at present. Determining its ultimate role in cancer therapy awaits further attempts to increase the therapeutic efficacy of treatment and decrease its toxicity and complexity. (N Engl J Med 1987; 316:889-97.)

"It would be as difficult to reject the right ear and leave the left ear intact as it is to immunize against cancer."

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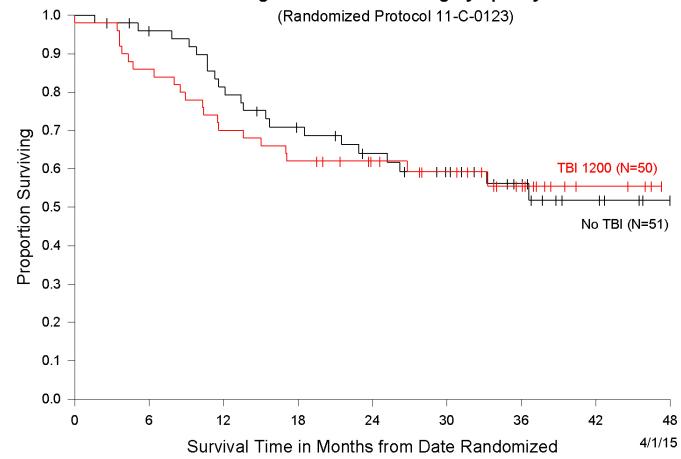
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### Whole exome sequencing identifies 26 mutations in a lung metastasis

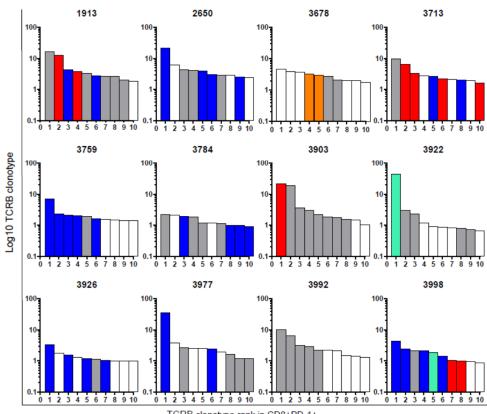
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	Nucleotide (genomic)	Amino Acid (protein)		
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AR	chrX_66858483-66858483C	NA	Insertion	Frameshift
CD93	chr20_23012929-23012929_C_T	634R>Q	Substitution	Nonsynonymous coding
DIP2C	chr10_365545-365545_C_T	NA	Substitution	Splice site acceptor
ERBB2IP	chr5_65385316-65385316_A_G	805E>G	Substitution	Nonsynonymous coding
FCER1A	chr1_157544227-157544227_G_C	219D>H	Substitution	Nonsynonymous coding
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HLA-DOA	chr6_33085209-33085209_C_T	NA	Substitution	Splice site donor
KIF9	chr3_47287859-47287859_T_C	155T>A	Substitution	Nonsynonymous coding
KLHL6	chr3_184692410-184692413_CAGA_	NA	Deletion	Frameshift
LHX9	chr1_196164923-196164923_A_	NA	Deletion	Frameshift
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### **KRAS Mutations and Human Cancers**

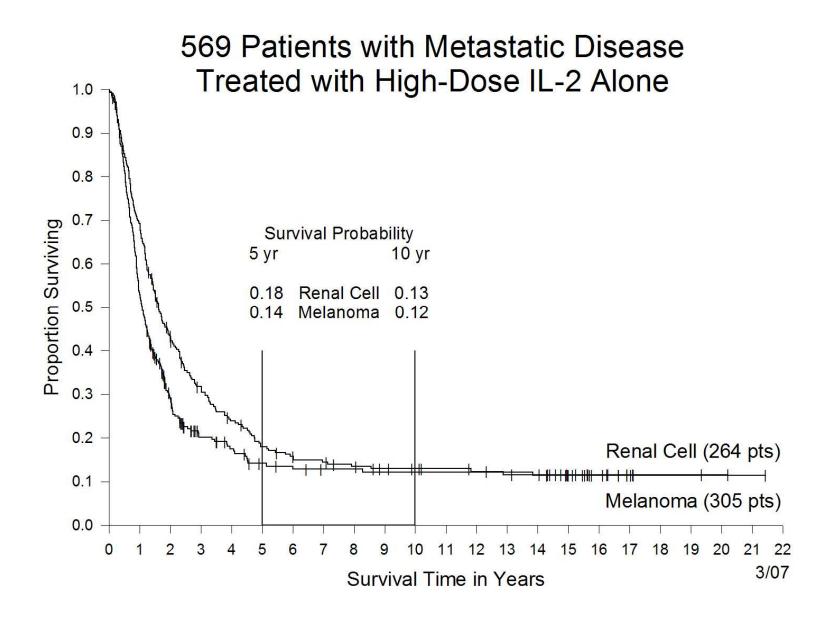
	Frequencies of	% of All KRAS Mutations						
Tumor	KRAS mutation	G12A	G12D	G12R	G12C	G12S	G12V	G13D
Pancreatic CA	<u>70%</u>	2	<u>51</u>	12	3	2	<u>30</u>	1
Colorectal	36%	7	34	1	9	5	24	19
Lung Adeno CA	20%	7	17	2	<u>42</u>	5	20	2
Endometrial	18%	11	36	0	9	2	24	15
Ovarian (EOC)	14%	4	41	2	5	0	37	5
Prostate	7%	2	22	1	10	3	35	23

Modified from Cosmic database by James Yang





TCRB clonotype rank in CD8+PD-1+



#### (N. Engl. J. Med. 313:1485-92, 1985)

#### SPECIAL REPORT

# OBSERVATIONS ON THE SYSTEMIC ADMINISTRATION OF AUTOLOGOUS LYMPHOKINE-ACTIVATED KILLER CELLS AND RECOMBINANT INTERLEUKIN-2 TO PATIENTS WITH METASTATIC CANCER

**Abstract** We describe here the preliminary results of the systemic administration of autologous lymphokine-activated killer (LAK) cells and the recombinant-derived lymphokine interleukin-2 to patients with advanced cancer. This regimen was based on animal models in which the systemic administration of LAK cells plus interleukin-2 mediated the regression of established pulmonary and hepatic metastases from a variety of murine tumors in several strains of mice.

We treated 25 patients with metastatic cancer in whom standard therapy had failed. Patients received both 1.8 to 18.4×10<sup>10</sup> autologous LAK cells, generated from lymphocytes obtained through multiple leukaphereses, and up to 90 doses of interleukin-2. Objective regression

of cancer (more than 50 per cent of volume) was observed in 11 of the 25 patients: complete tumor regression occurred in one patient with metastatic melanoma and has been sustained for up to 10 months after therapy, and partial responses occurred in nine patients with pulmonary or hepatic metastases from melanoma, colon cancer, or renal-cell cancer and in one patient with a primary unresectable lung adenocarcinoma. Severe fluid retention was the major side effect of therapy, although all side effects resolved after interleukin-2 administration was stopped.

Further development of this approach and additional patient follow-up are required before conclusions about its therapeutic value can be drawn.

# DURATION OF RESPONSE IN PATIENTS WITH METASTATIC CANCER TREATED USING HIGH-DOSE BOLUS INTERLEUKIN-2

Diagnosis	CR	PR
	Months	
Melanoma	186+,184+,182+,180+,178+, 171+,167+,158+,158+,157+, 16,12	35,31,19,10,10, 8,8,7,7,6, 5,5,5,4,4,2
Renal Cell Cancer	196+,186+,181+,181+,177+, 173+,173+,166+,157+,151+, 150+,140+,136+,126+,117+, 87+,46+,35,23,19,19	52,30,30,22,20, 17,16,15,14,14, 13,11,9,8,8, 7,7,6,4,4,4,4

<sup>&</sup>quot;+" indicates ongoing response, as of June 1, 2005.
Of 33 patients with complete response, 27 remain in CR at 46 to 196 months.

#### **NEJM Dec. 1988.**

#### SPECIAL REPORT

#### USE OF TUMOR-INFILTRATING LYMPHOCYTES AND INTERLEUKIN-2 IN THE IMMUNOTHERAPY OF PATIENTS WITH METASTATIC MELANOMA

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### **Genetic Engineering of Human Lymphocytes**

# GENE TRANSFER INTO HUMANS — IMMUNOTHERAPY OF PATIENTS WITH ADVANCED MELANOMA, USING TUMOR-INFILTRATING LYMPHOCYTES MODIFIED BY RETROVIRAL GENE TRANSDUCTION

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