

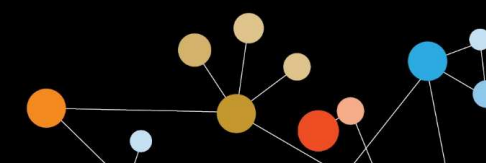
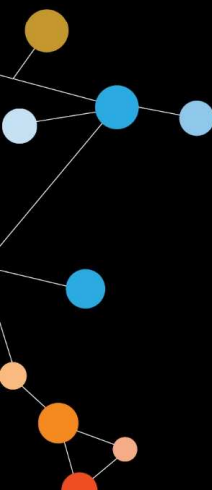


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## **IMO-2125, an investigational intratumoral toll-like receptor 9 agonist, modulates the tumor microenvironment to enhance anti-tumor immunity**

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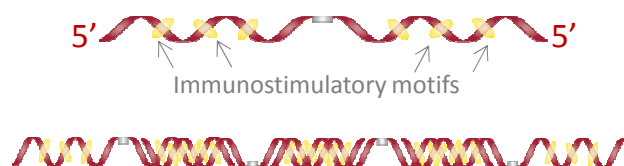
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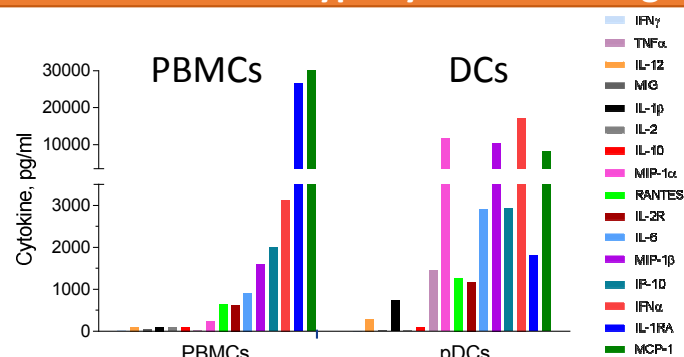
# IMO-2125: an optimized, novel, synthetic agonist of Toll-like receptor 9 (TLR9)

## Chemistry of IMO-2125



*Antimicrob. Agents Chemother.*, 2008, 4320-5; *Nucleic Acids Research*, 2002, Vol. 30 No. 20

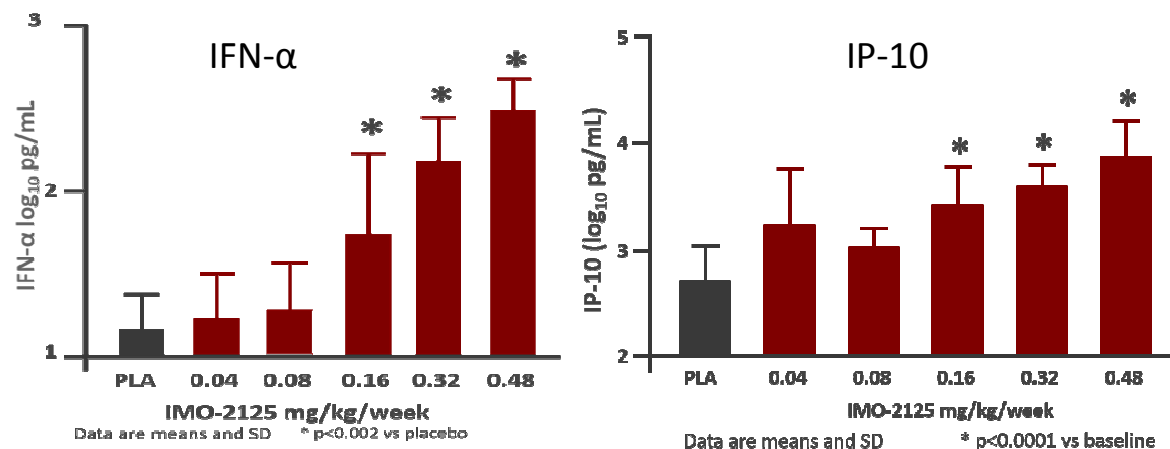
## IMO-2125 induces Th-1 type cytokines through TLR9



*Antimicrob. Agents Chemother.*, 2008, p. 4320-4325

## IMO-2125 induces IFN-α and other cytokines in human trial

- IMO-2125 at doses ranging from 0.04 to 0.48 mg/kg administered subcutaneously weekly in Hepatitis C infected subjects
- Treatment was well-tolerated
- Immune response parameters showed activation

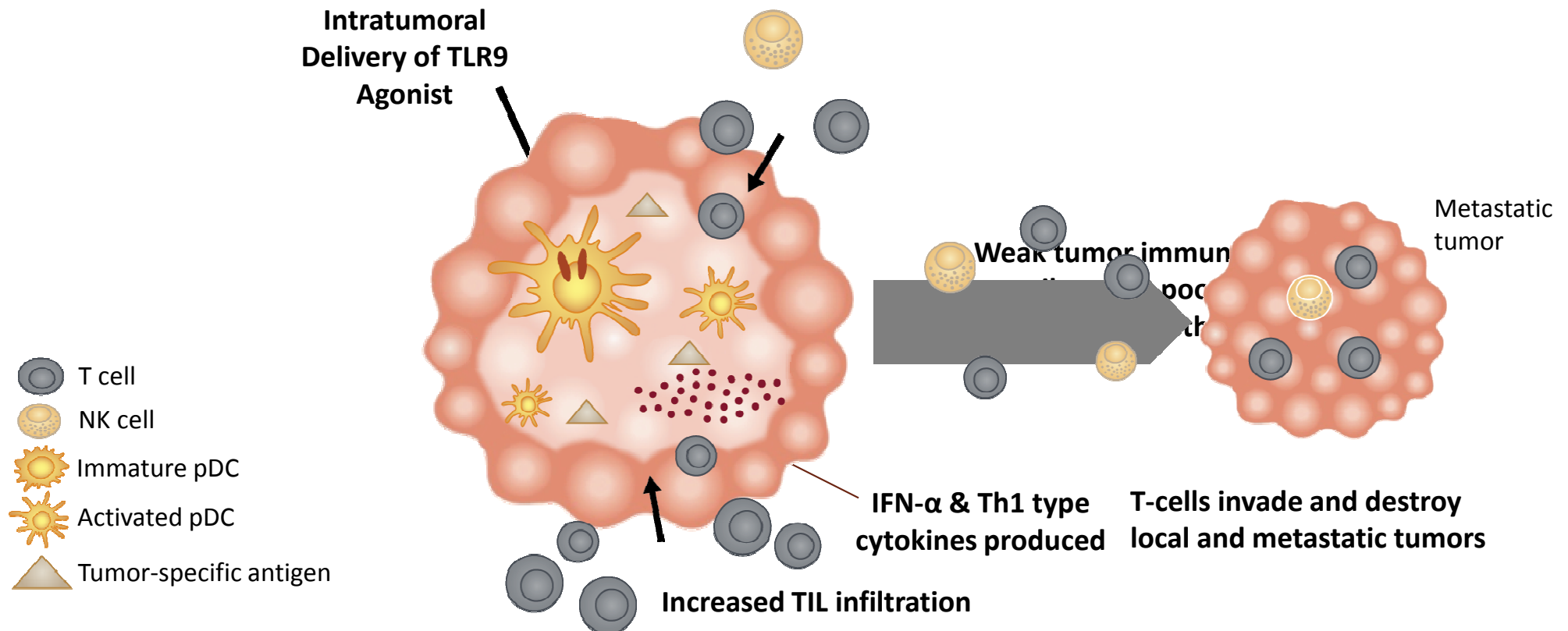


Data presented at EASL 2010, AASLD Liver Meeting 2010

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# Modulation of the tumor microenvironment by Intratumoral delivery of TLR9 agonist and tumor-specific antigens on pDCs intratumoral administration of IMO-2125

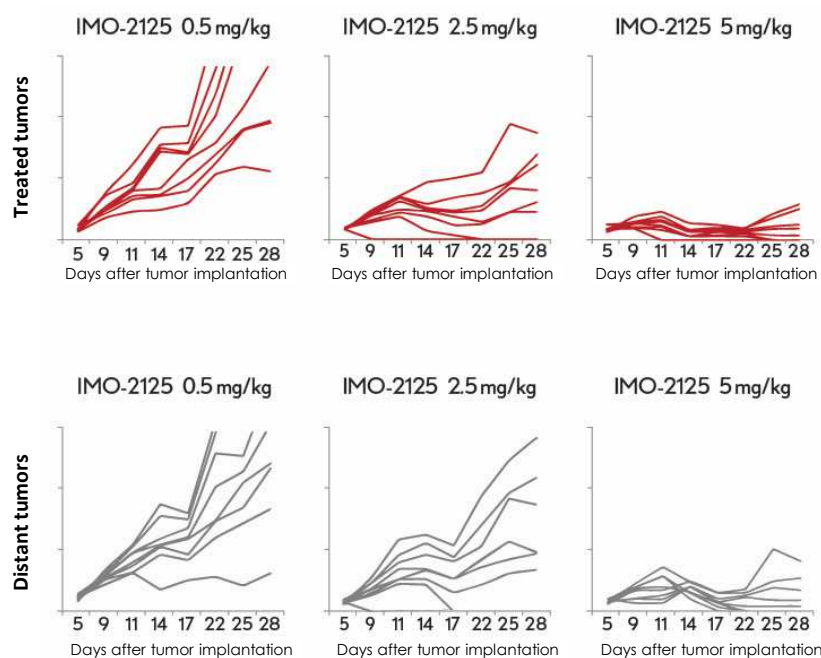
**Intratumoral  
 Delivery of TLR9  
 Agonist**



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# Intratumoral IMO-2125 exerted local and systemic anti-tumor activity

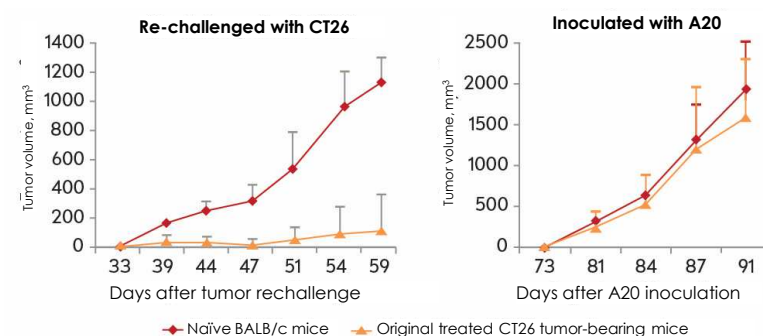
## Dose-dependent antitumor activity in injected and distant tumors (abscopal effect)



BALB/c mice (n=8 per group) implanted with CT26 colon carcinoma cells on right and left flank. IMO-2125 i.t. treatment on right flank on days 5, 8, 11 and 14.

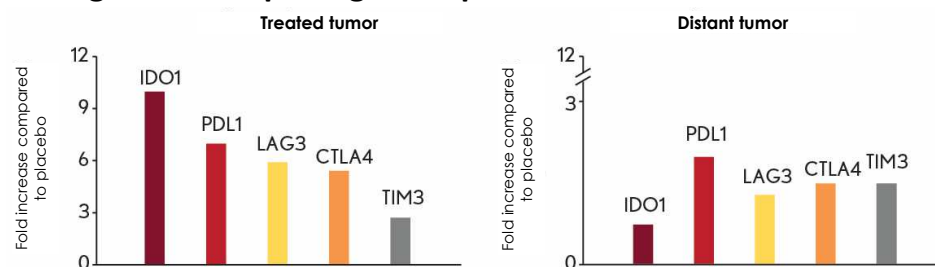
All data from presentation CRI-CIMT-EATI-AACR Cancer Immunotherapy Conference 2015

## Specific and durable cytotoxic T-cell responses to tumor antigen



Six BALB/c mice whose CT26 tumors completely or partially regressed following treatment were rechallenged with CT26 cells on day 33 and inoculated with A20 lymphoma cells on Day 73.

## Changes in checkpoint gene expression

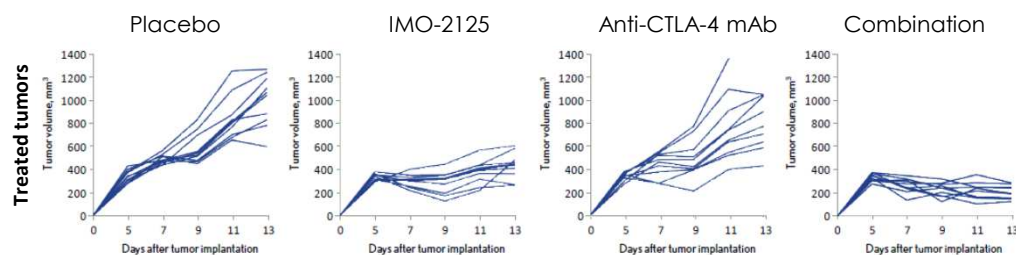


C57BL/6 mice (n=9) implanted with B16 melanoma cells on right and left flank. IM-2125 treatment on left flank on days 7, 9, 11, 13, and 15. One week post last dose, samples collected and analyzed for checkpoint expression by qPCR.

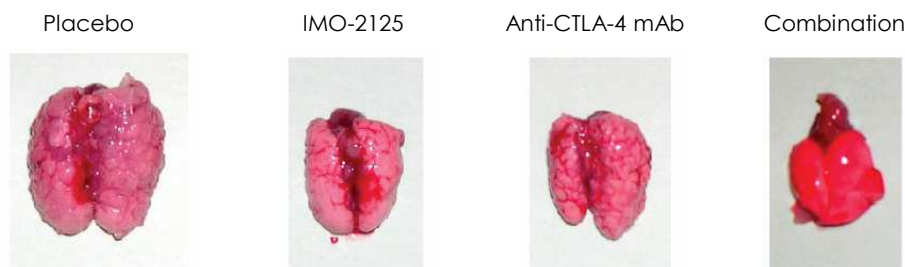
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# Intratumoral IMO-2125 potentiated systemic anti-tumor activity of anti-CTLA-4 and anti-PD-1 in preclinical models

## Antitumor activity of IMO-2125 and anti-CTLA-4 mAb



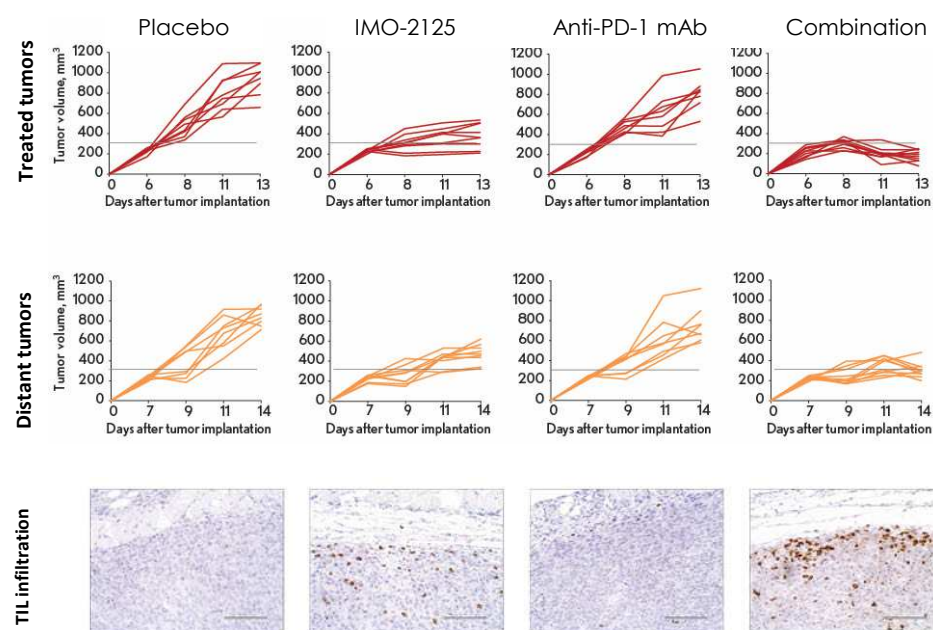
## Effects on distant lung metastases



BALB/c mice (n=10 per group) implanted with CT26 colon carcinoma cells s.c. on right flank and i.v. to form lung metastases. IMO-2125 and anti-CTLA-4 treatment on days 5, 6, 8, and 9. Lung pictures taken on day 13.

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## Antitumor activity of IMO-2125 and anti-PD-1 mAb



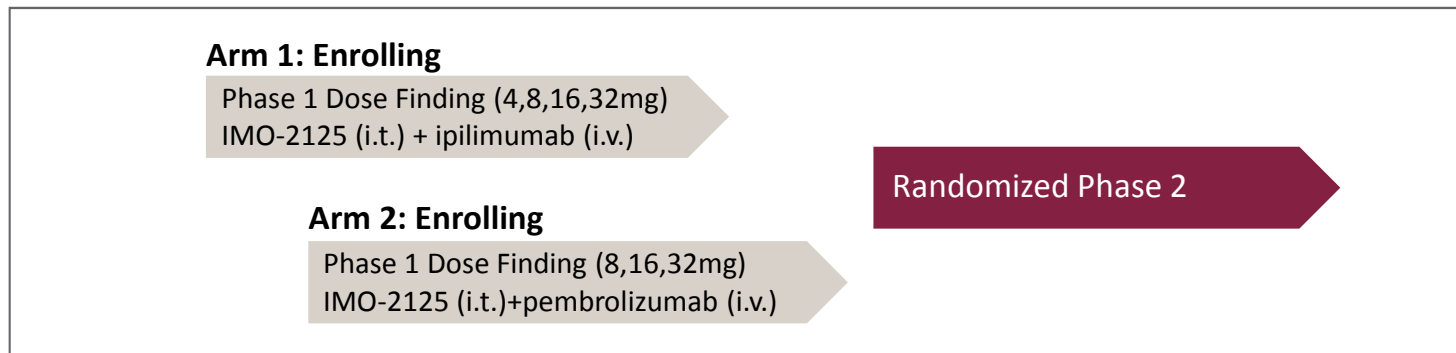
BALB/c mice (n=8 per group) implanted with CT26 colon carcinoma cells s.c. on right and left flank and i.v. to form lung metastases. IMO-2125 and anti-PD-1 treatment on days 7, 8, 11, and 12. Magnification of tumor samples x400.

Data from presentation AACR-NCI-EORTC International Conference 2015

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## Study 2125-204: Phase 1/2 study of intratumoral IMO-2125 in combination with ipilimumab or pembrolizumab in patients with metastatic melanoma following prior PD-1 directed therapy (NCT02644967)

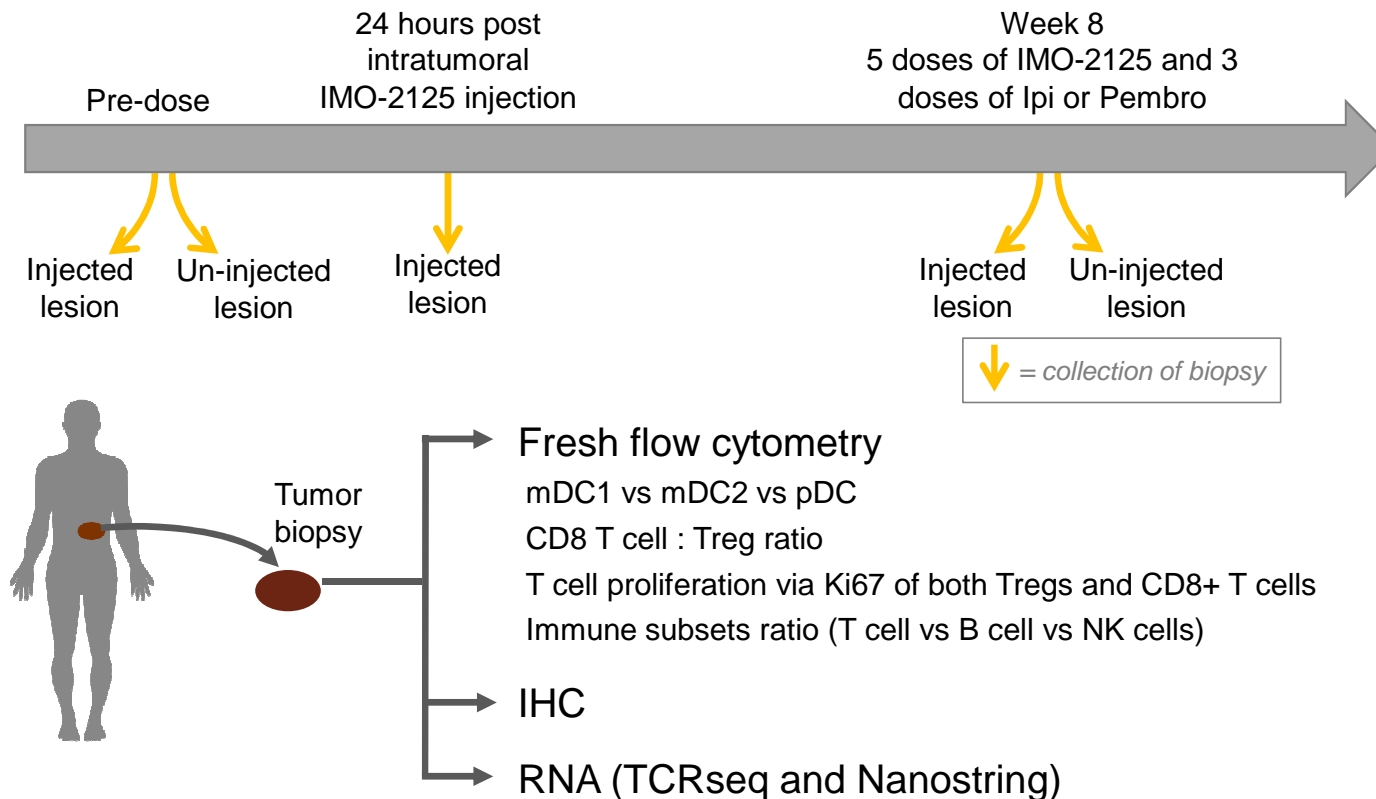


### Trial design

- Population: relapsed on or after 12 wks PD-1 directed therapy (alone or in combination)
- IMO-2125 administered as a single intratumoral injection weeks 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11
- Ipilimumab and pembrolizumab administered per label (commercial supply)
- Bayesian dose-escalation (Phase 1); Randomized Phase 2 at RP2D's
- Endpoints: Safety, investigator assessed ORR (irRC)
- Exploratory: markers of immune activation with serial biopsy of injected and distant tumors



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



*Preliminary safety, clinical activity and translational results to be presented at SITC annual meeting:*

**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**

Cara Haymaker, PhD – University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Session: State-of-the-Art Immunotherapies: Challenges and Opportunities  
Friday, November 11 – 2:00-4:15 p.m.

# IMO-2125 development program

- Goals of IMO-2125 and checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) combination immunotherapy
  - Stimulate host antitumor immune responses
  - Break tumor-related immune tolerance
  - Increase potential for curative treatment
- Opportunity to establish clinical POC in anti-PD-1 refractory melanoma
  - Anti-PD-1 established as standard of care, with no clear consensus on treatment after failure
- Future potential opportunities in CPI addressable tumors with low PD-L1 expression and non-immunogenic tumors unadressable with current CPI class

# Backup

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

