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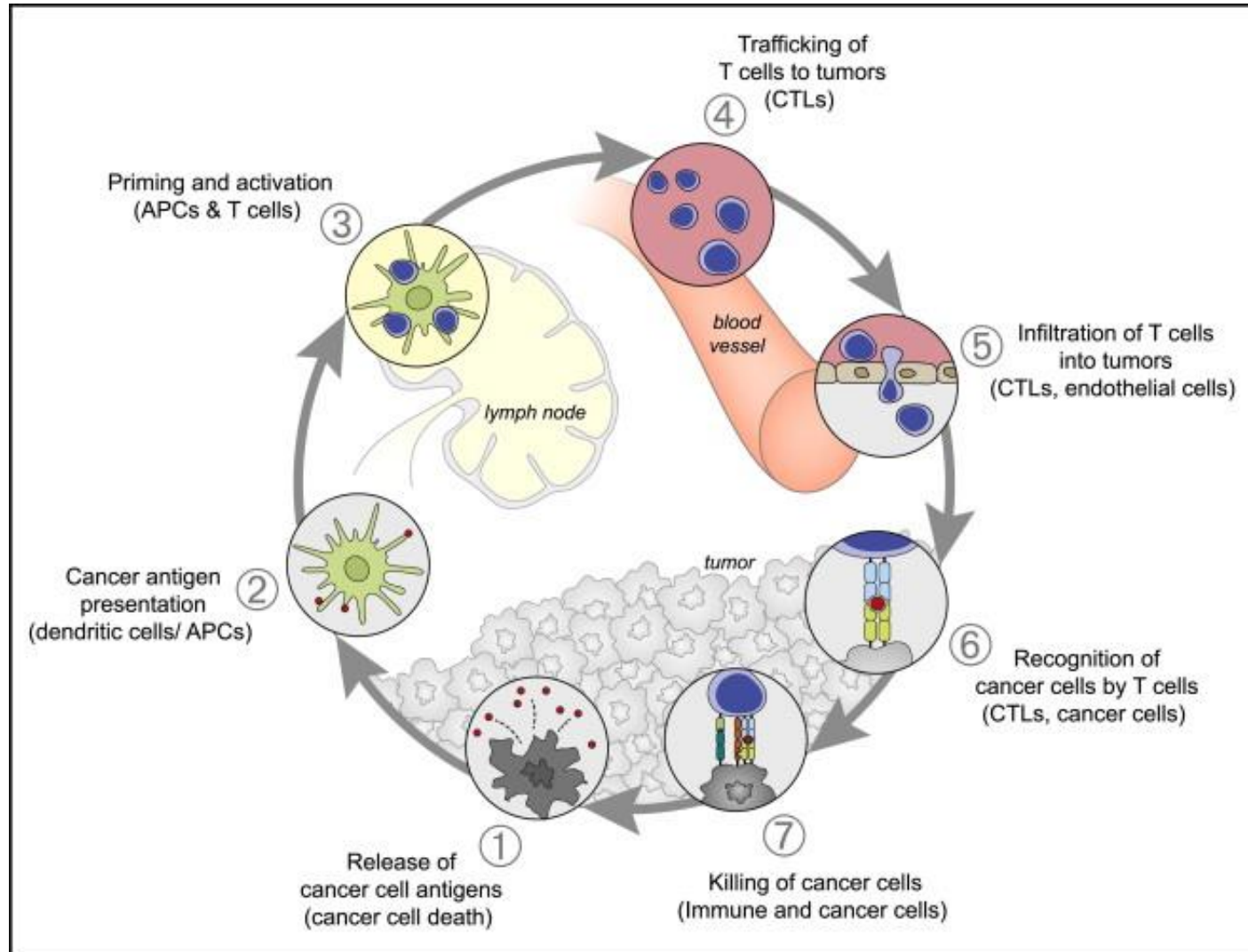
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Overview of Talk

- What's required for effective Cancer Immunotherapy
- Options for Combination Therapy
 - Examples
 - Vaccines
 - IDOi
 - Anti-LAG-3
 - Adoptive Cell Therapy
- Improving Patient Selection
 - Biomarker Development
 - Use to select most effective and least toxic

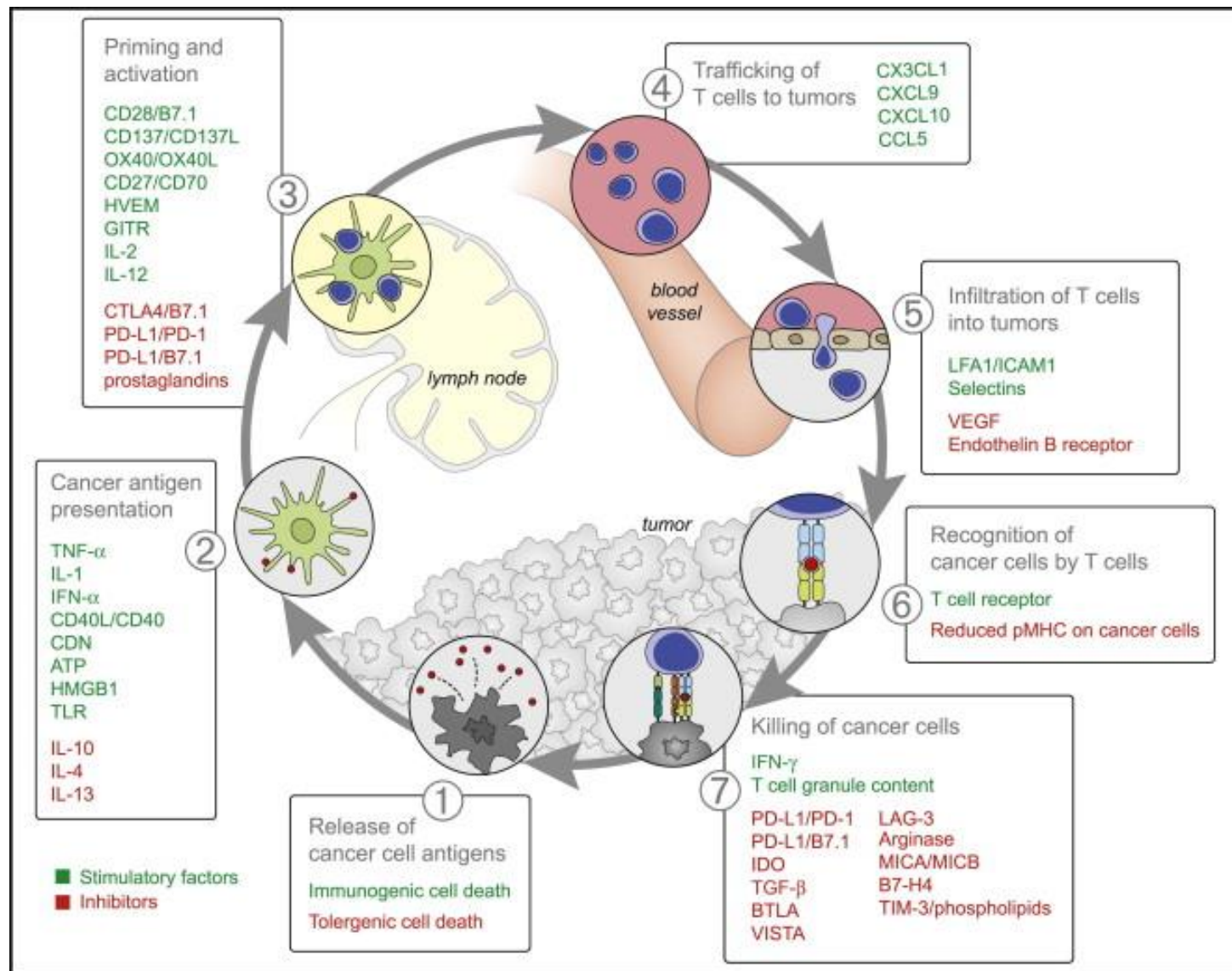
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Stimulatory and Inhibitory Factors in the Cancer-Immunity Cycle Each step of the Cancer-Immunity Cycle requires the coordination of numerous factors, both stimulatory and inhibitory in nature. Stimulatory factors shown in green promote immunity, ...

Where will Improvements come from?

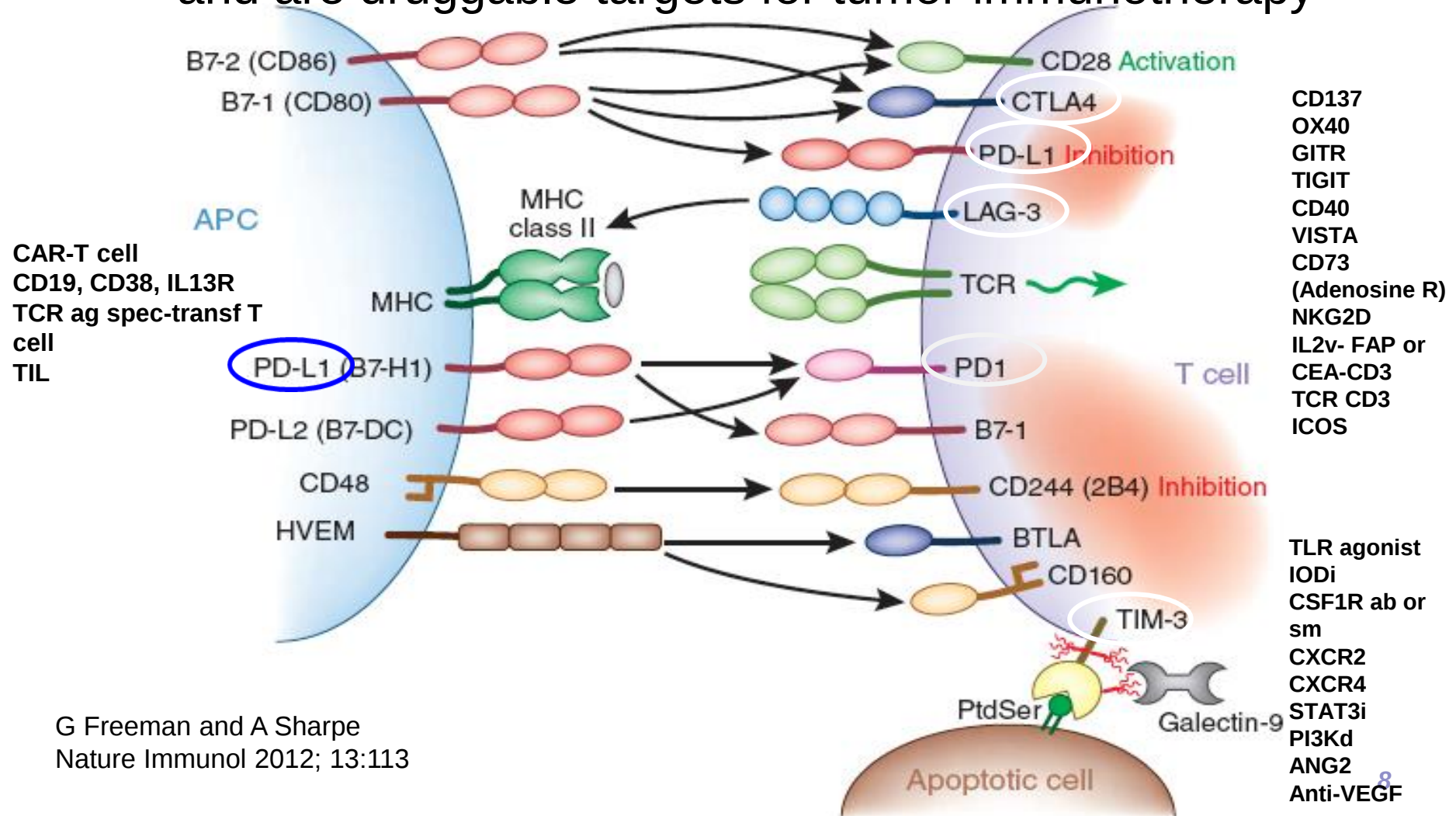
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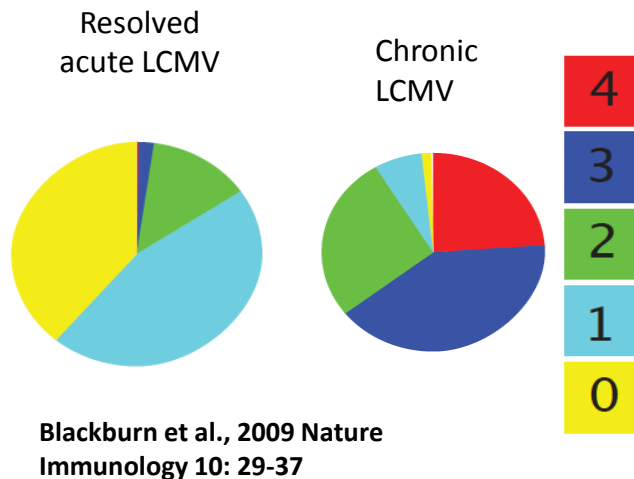
- Block other co-inhibitory: LAG3, TIM3, KIR, VISTA
 - Activate co-stimulatory: 4-1BB, OX-40, GITR, CD27, ICOS
 - Block inhibitory molecules- IDOi, TGFbi, CSF1Ri, anti-IL-6 or anti- IL-10
 - Effect trafficking- anti-VEGF, CCL5, CXCR4i
 - Vaccines- TVEC- oncolytic virus, Neoantigen, other cellular
 - Adoptive Cellular therapy- TIL, CAR-T cells, TCR T-cells

T cells in Tumors Express Multiple Immunosuppressive Receptors

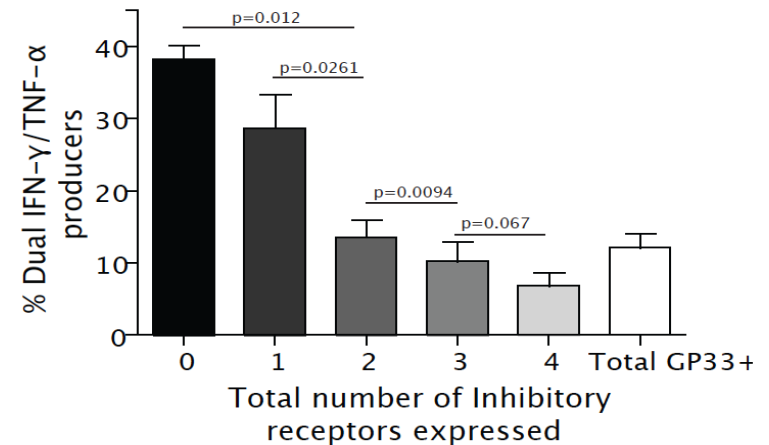
These regulate the balance between T cell activation and tolerance and are druggable targets for tumor immunotherapy



T cells can coexpress multiple inhibitory receptors



Degree of dysfunction



Co-blockade enables better rescue of exhausted T cells and therapeutic efficacy than blockade of a single inhibitory pathway, but ONLY anti-PD-1 monotherapy has substantial effects

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- Signal Inhibition, BRAF directed (BRAFi+MEKi), MEKi, PI3K inhibition (PTEN effects)
 - Cytokines- IL-2, IFN a,b,g,, Directed cytokines (FAP-IL-2v or CEA-IL-2v)
 - Epigenetic modulation- gene expression and EVR expression
 - Microbiome modification- fecal transplants
 - Chemotherapy other cytotoxics
 - Localized Irradiation SBRT, SRS

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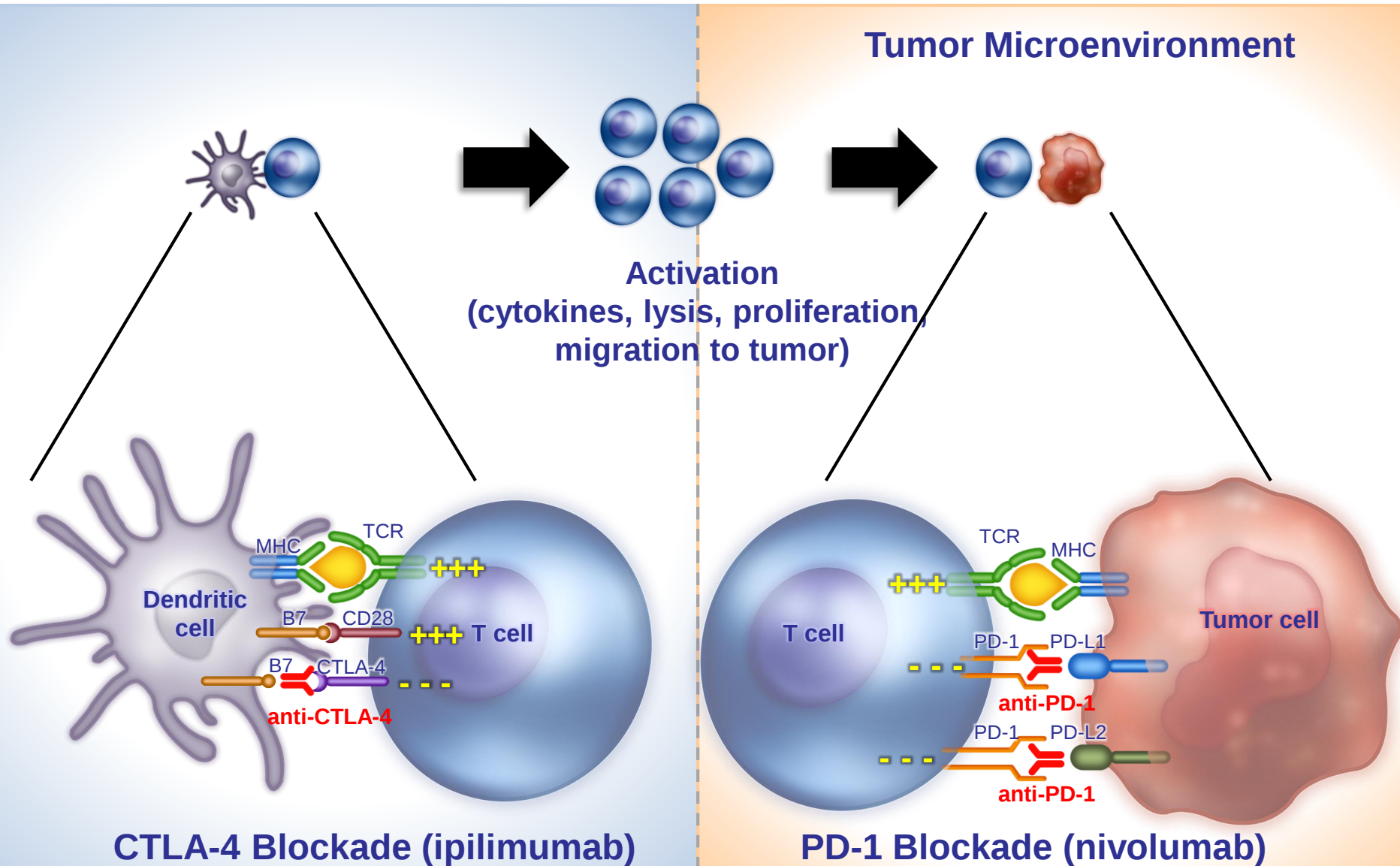
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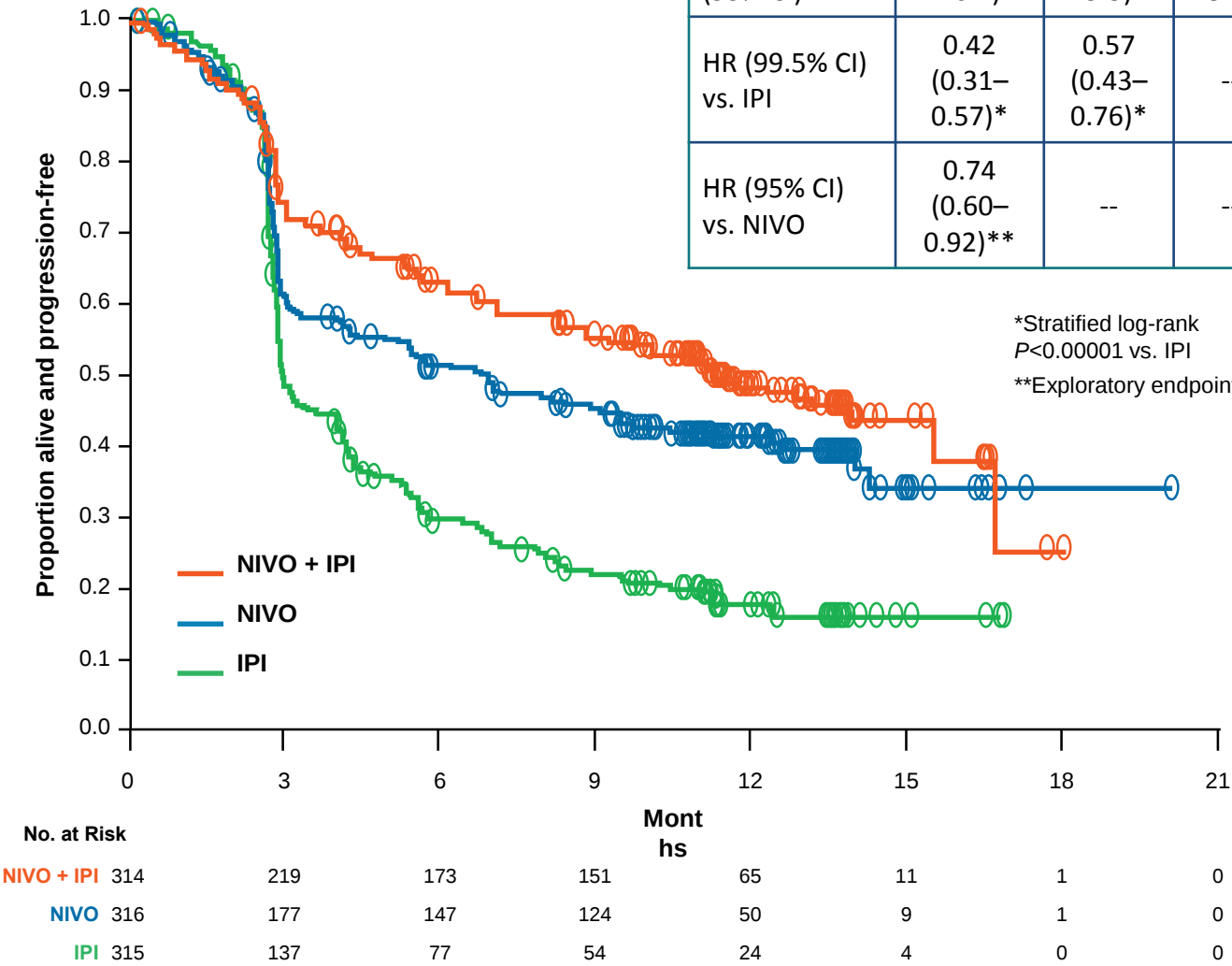
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Blocking CTLA-4 and PD-1

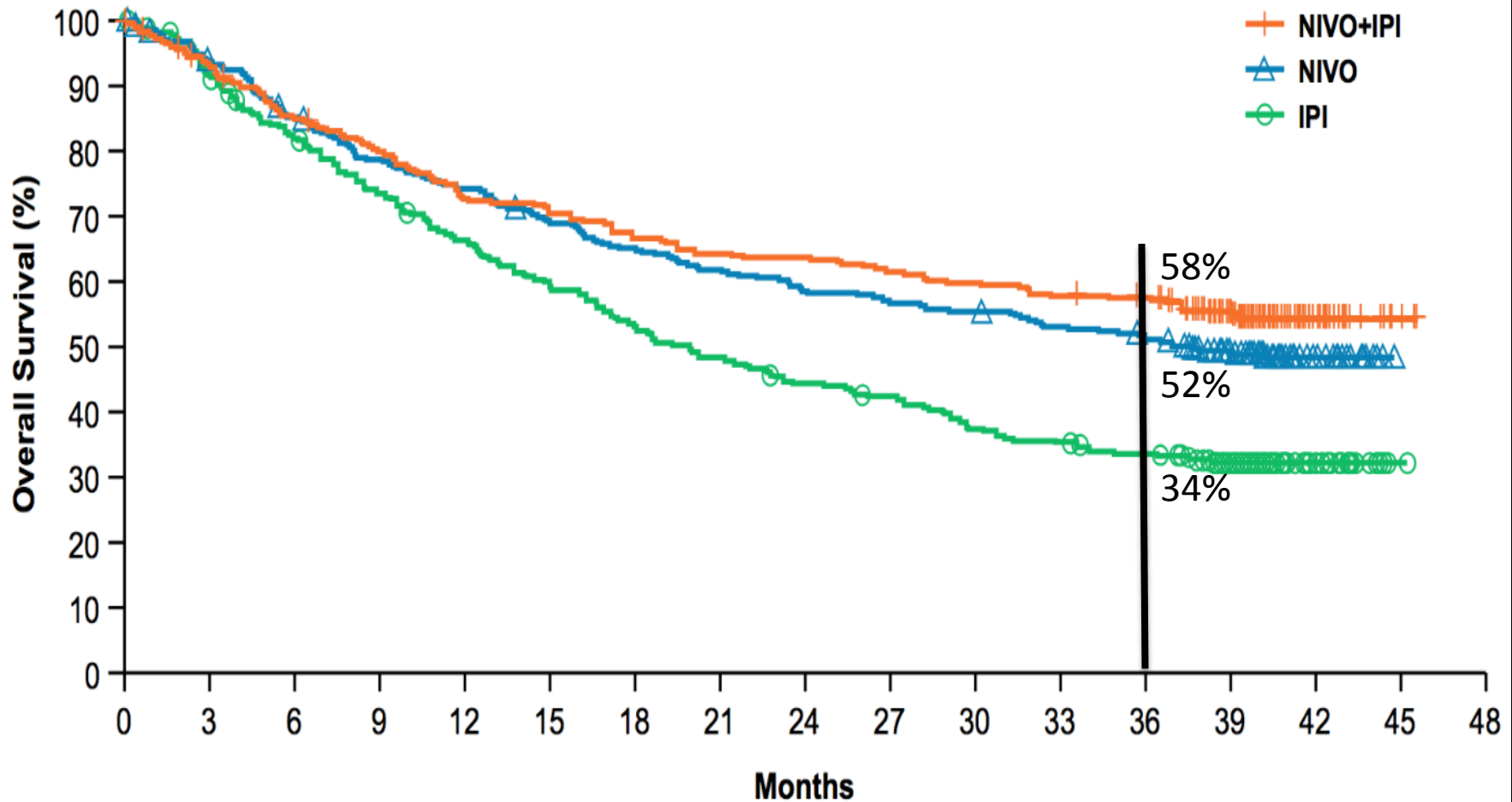


CA-067 Ipi+Nivo vs Nivo vs Ipi Progression-Free Survival

	NIVO + IPI (N=314)	NIVO (N=316)	IPI (N=315)
Median PFS, months (95% CI)	11.5 (8.9– 16.7)	6.9 (4.3– 9.5)	2.9 (2.8– 3.4)
HR (99.5% CI) vs. IPI	0.42 (0.31– 0.57)*	0.57 (0.43– 0.76)*	--
HR (95% CI) vs. NIVO	0.74 (0.60– 0.92)**	--	--



Overall Survival in All Randomized Melanoma Patients : 067 Ipi+ Nivo vs Nivo vs Ipi

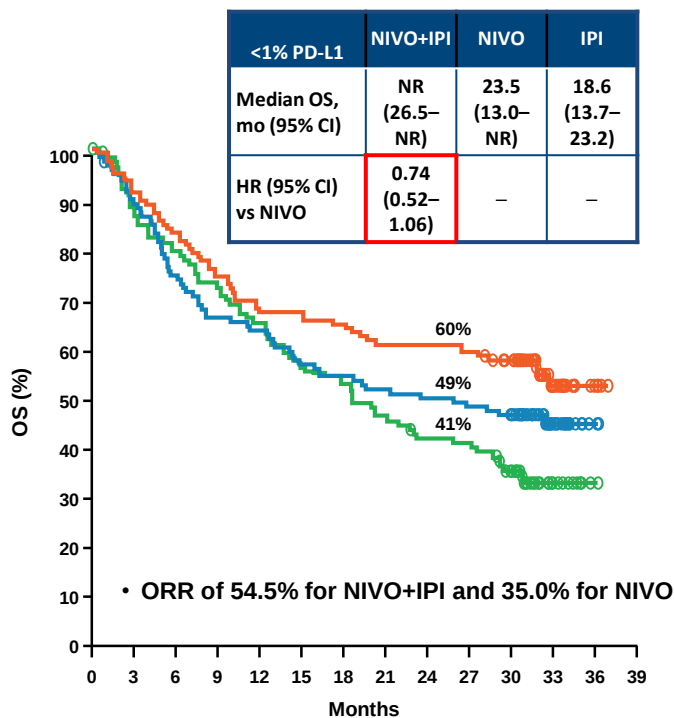


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Outcomes Observed at a 1% Cutoff

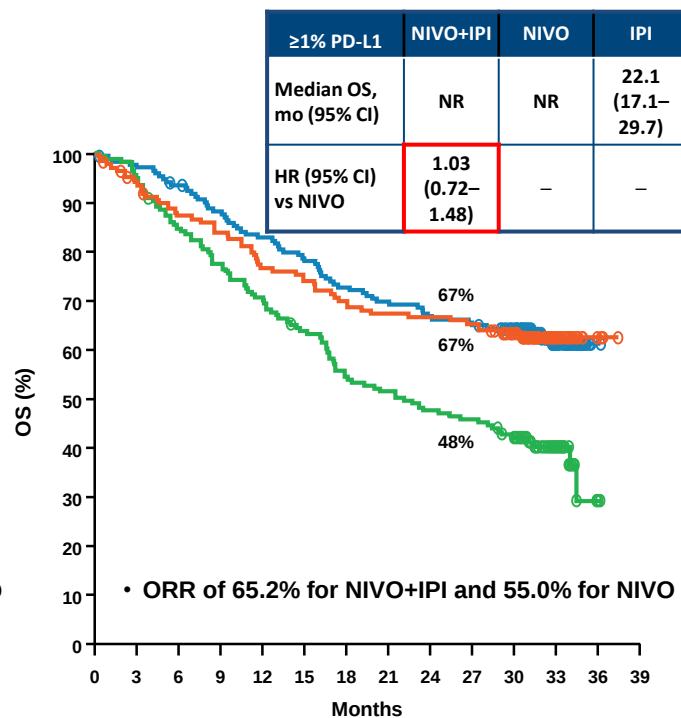
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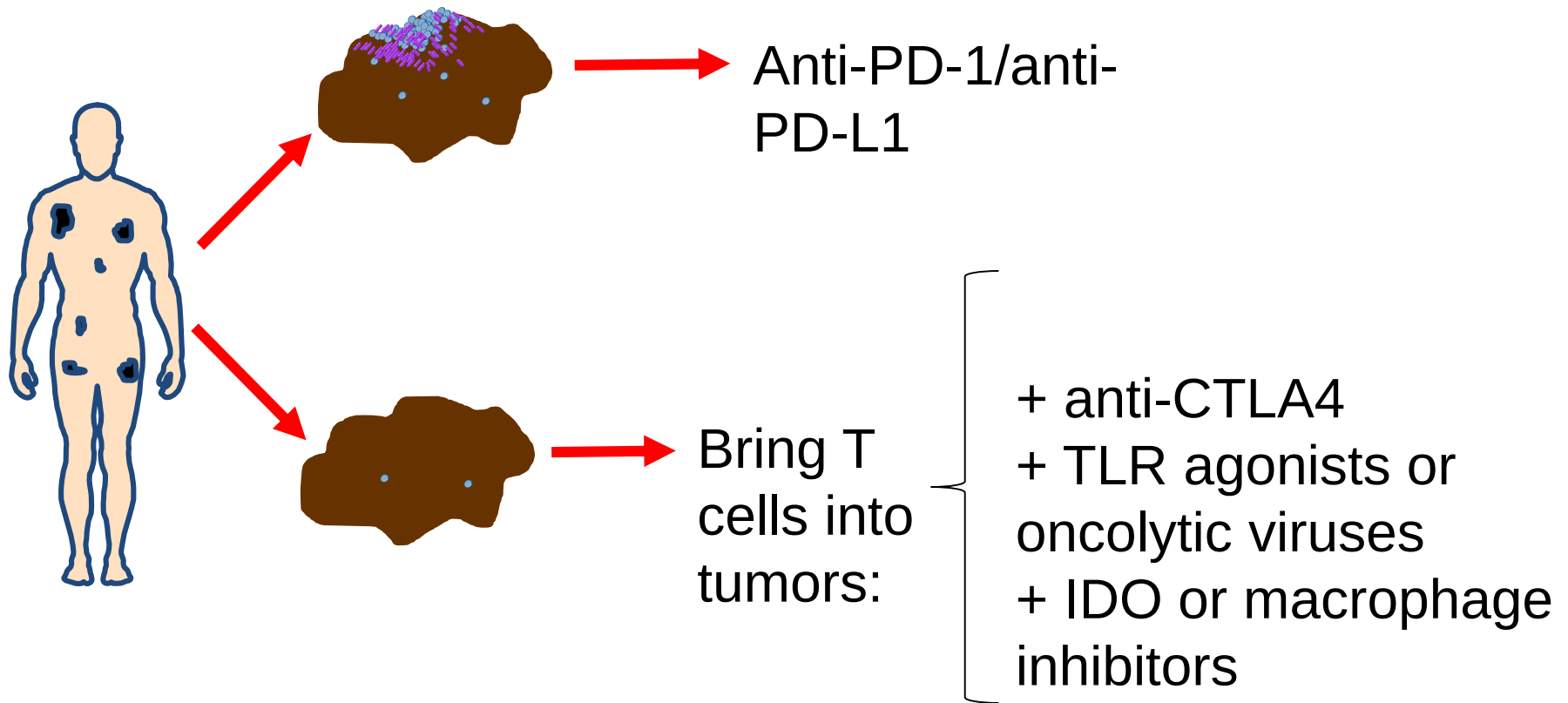
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Enhancing Efficacy of anti-PD-1/L1



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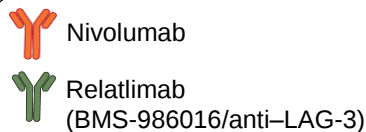
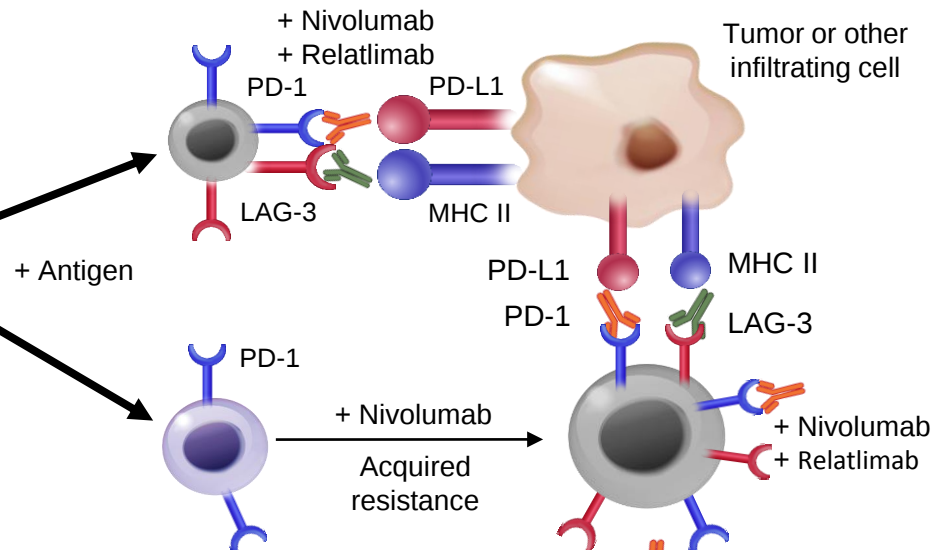
Potential Role of LAG-3 in T-Cell Exhaustion and Anti-PD-1 Resistance

- LAG-3 regulates a checkpoint pathway that limits the activity of T cells¹
- LAG-3 and PD-1 receptors are overexpressed and/or co-expressed on tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes in melanoma^{2,3}

I-O therapy naive:
LAG-3 may limit I-O response

Effector
CD4⁺/CD8⁺
T cell

I-O therapy experienced:
LAG-3 may contribute to
resistance

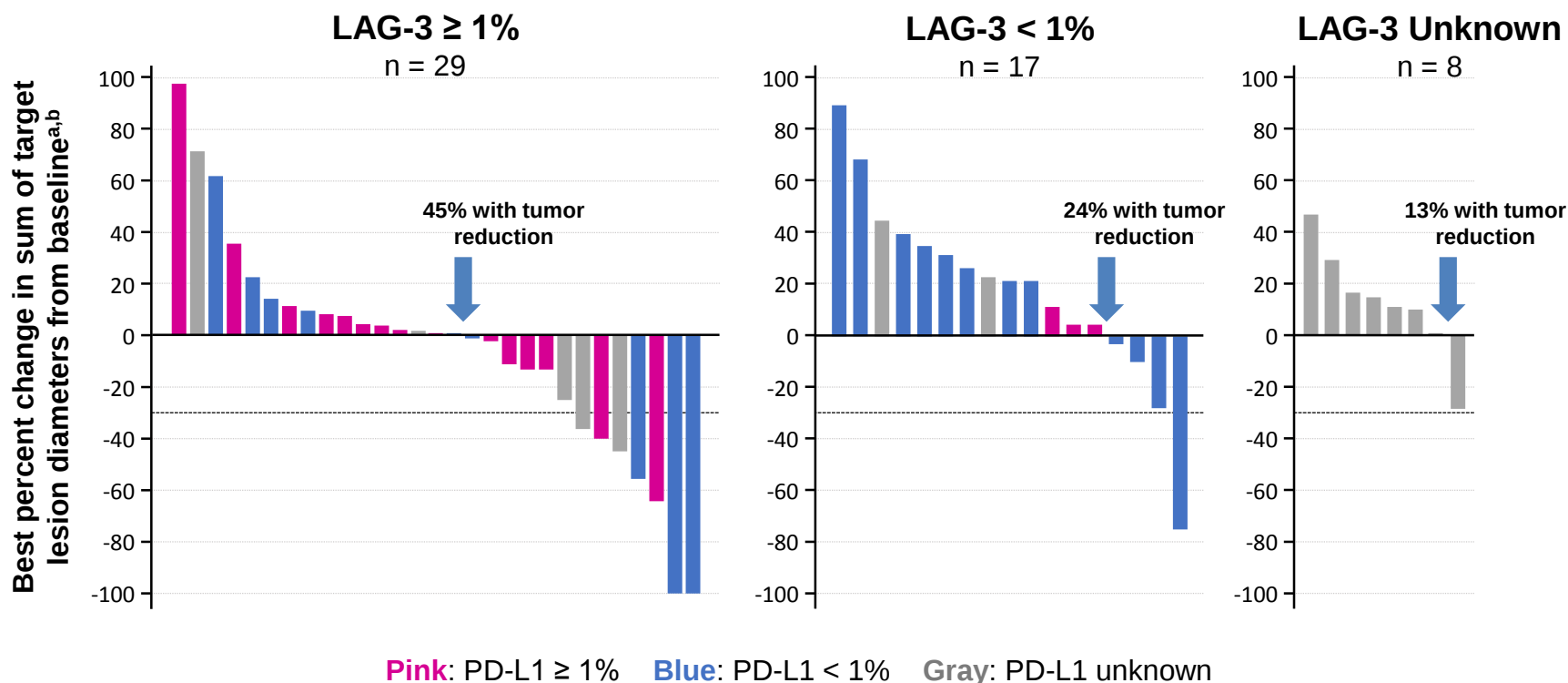


I-O, immuno-oncology; MHC II, major histocompatibility complex class II; PD-1, programmed death-1; PD-L1, programmed death ligand 1.

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Antitumor Activity of Relatlimab (anti-LAG3) + Nivolumab

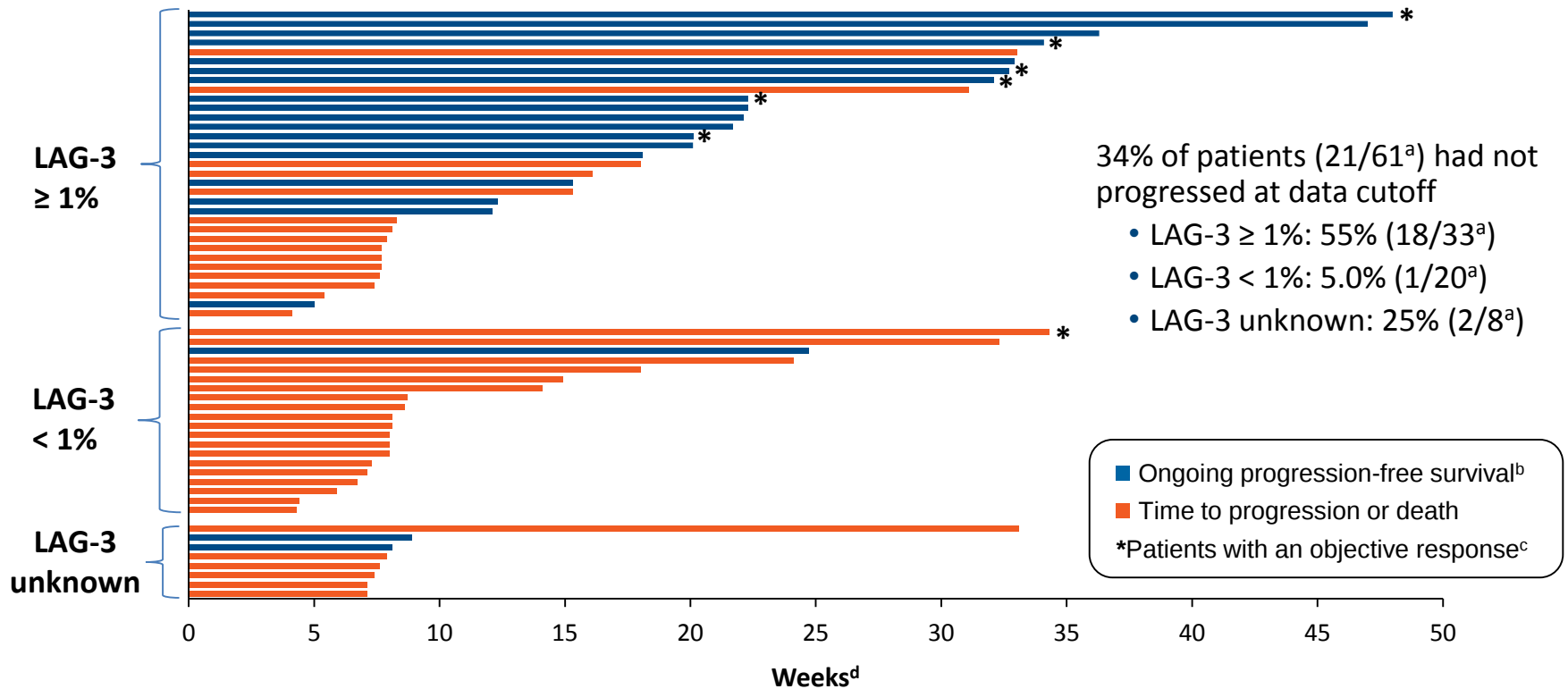
Change in Tumor Size by LAG-3 Expression



^aSix patients with clinical progression prior to their first scan and 1 with PD due to a new symptomatic brain metastasis prior to getting full scans were not included.

^bOne patient with best change from baseline $> 30\%$ had a best response of SD.

Ongoing Clinical Follow-Up



^aResponse-evaluable patients; all progressed during prior anti-PD-1/PD-L1 therapy. ^bCensored on last visit. ^cOne response was unconfirmed. ^dEvaluations are planned for every 8 weeks.

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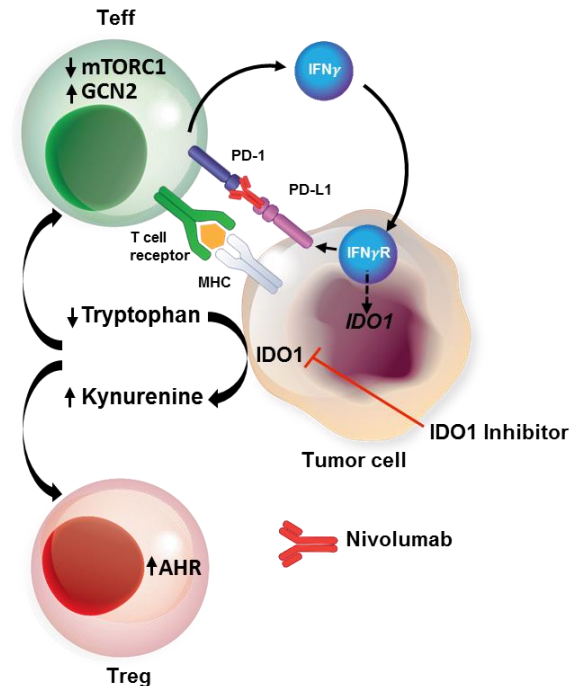
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Rationale for IDO1 Inhibitor Plus Anti-PD-1 Combination Therapy

- IDO1 enzyme inhibits T-cell function through local depletion of tryptophan and production of immunosuppressive kynurenine and downstream metabolites¹
- High IDO1 expression is associated with a decrease in immune cell tumor infiltration and an increase in regulatory T cells^{1,2}
- IDO1 expression in tumors has also been associated with poor prognosis, increased progression, and reduced survival^{1,2}
- Anti-PD-1 treatment upregulates *IDO1* expression in patients^{3,4}



Adapted from Moon YW et al. *J Immunother Cancer*. 2015;3:51. Published under Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/>).

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Recent Results of anti-PD-1 + IDOi

- Phase I/II results from the KEYNOTE-37 trial, the combination Pembrolizumab and Epecadostat induced objective responses in 29 of 53 (55%) treatment-naïve patients, including seven CRs
- 22 of 38 evaluable patients (58%) responded to the recommended phase II dose of epacadostat (100 mg).
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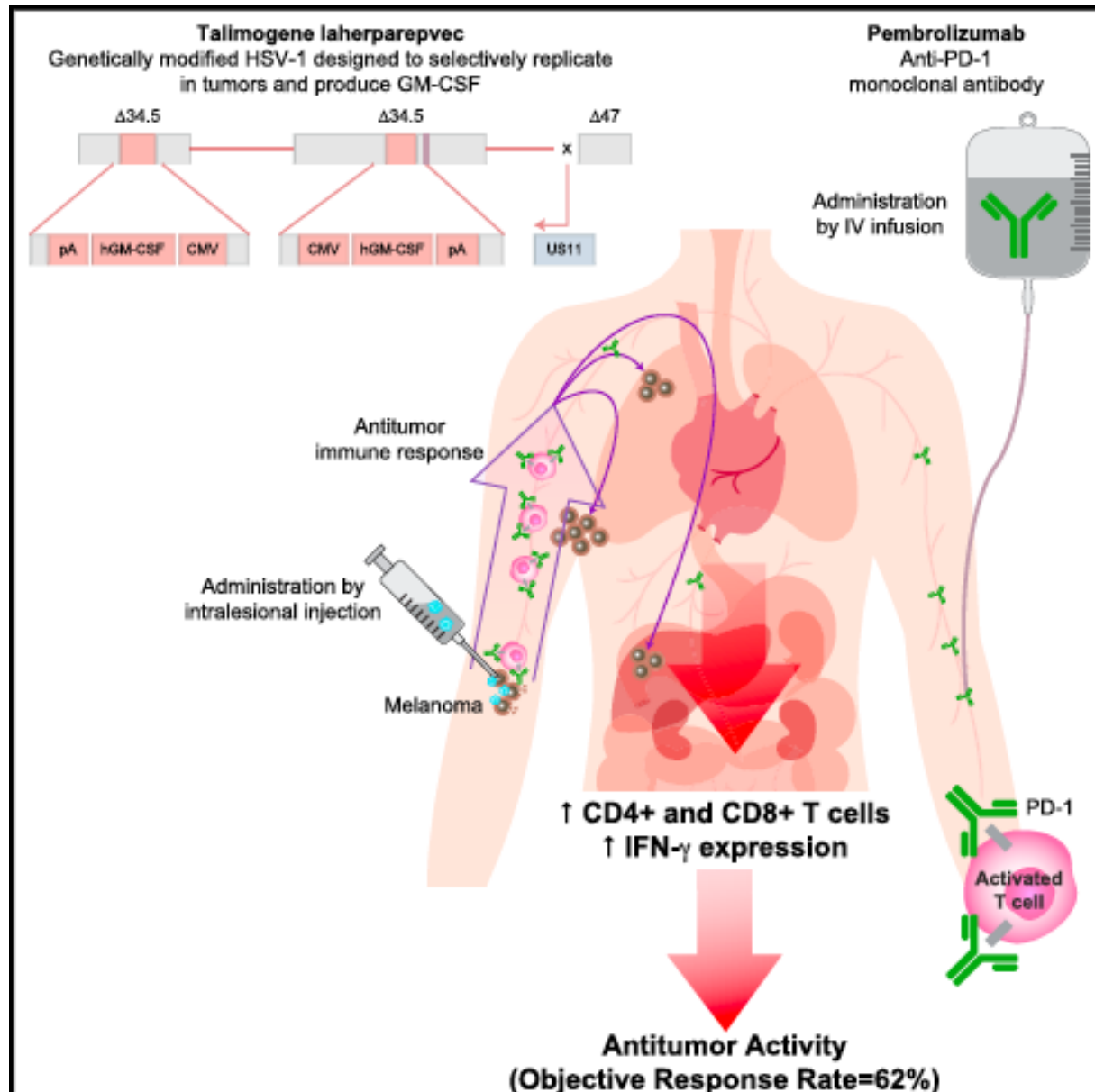
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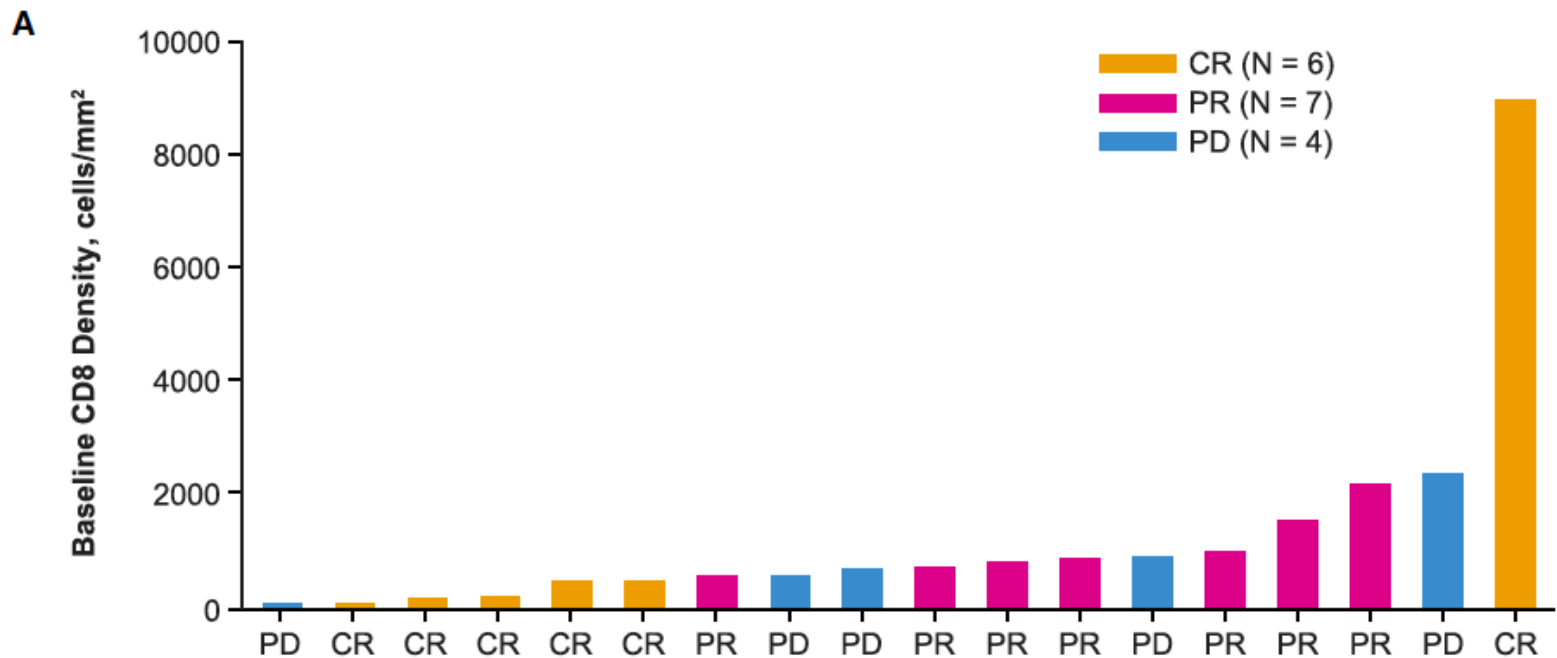
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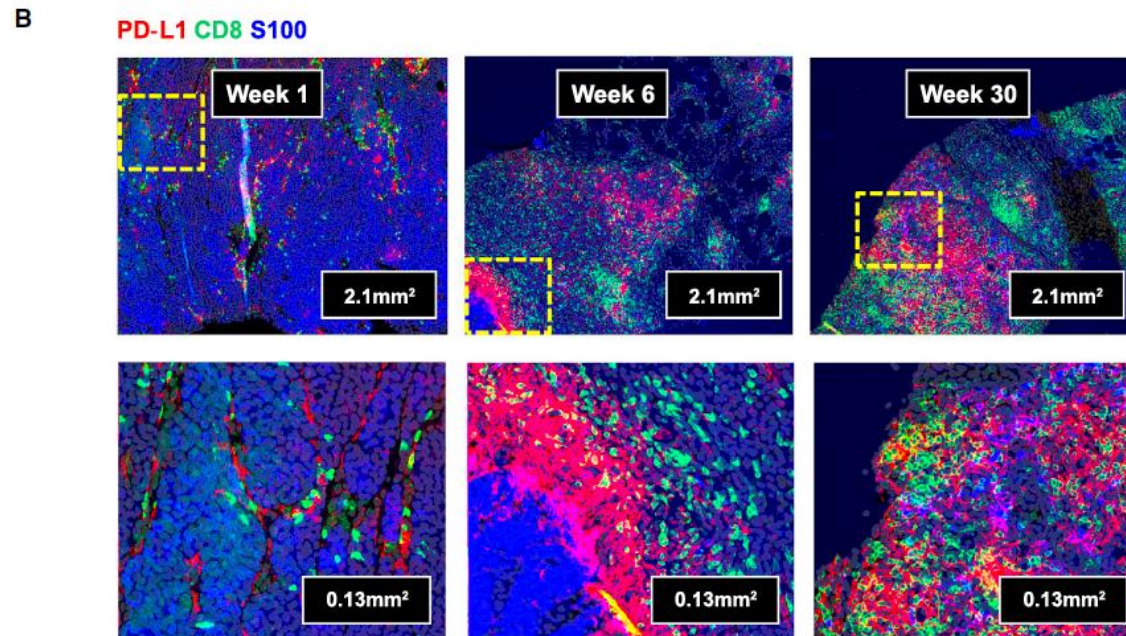
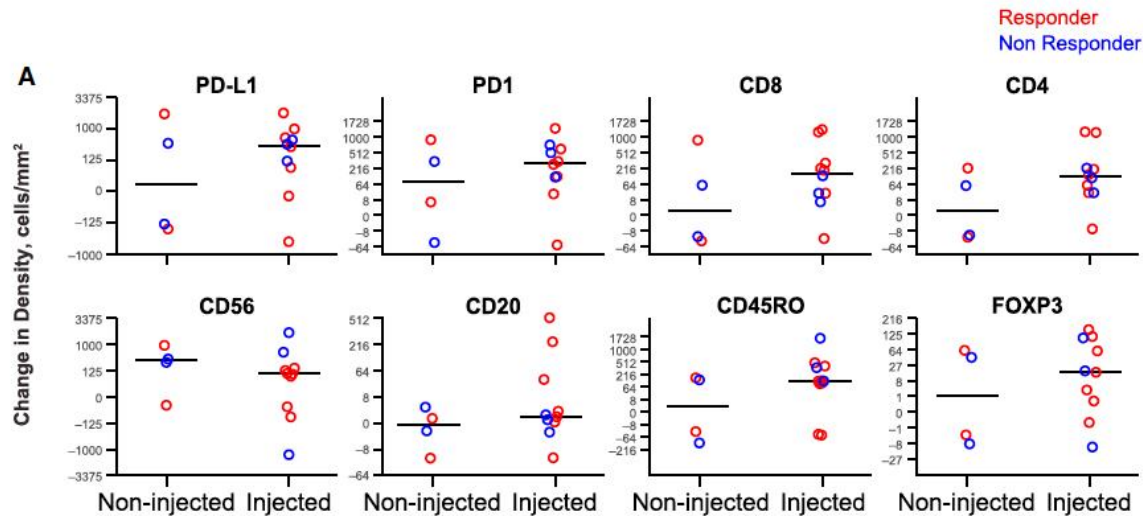
Oncolytic Virus Injection Promotes Intratumoral T Cell Infiltration to Improve Anti-PD-1 Immunotherapy



Combination of Talimogene Laherparepvec and Pembrolizumab Is Effective in Patients with Low Tumor CD8+ Density



Talimogene Laherparepvec Increases Tumor-Infiltrating Lymphocyte Density and PD-L1 Expression in Tumors



Combination Therapy Base on Tumor Sequencing

- **Tumor Genome sequencing:**

MSI, PD-L1/2 amplification, viral genomes → PD-1 therapy

Identify which oncogenes are drug targets?

Identify which mutations are immunogenic?

Sequence the tumor to identify mutations

- PD-1 blockade + personalized cancer vaccine
- PD-1 blockade + CAR-T cells
- PD-1 blockade + kinase inhibitors

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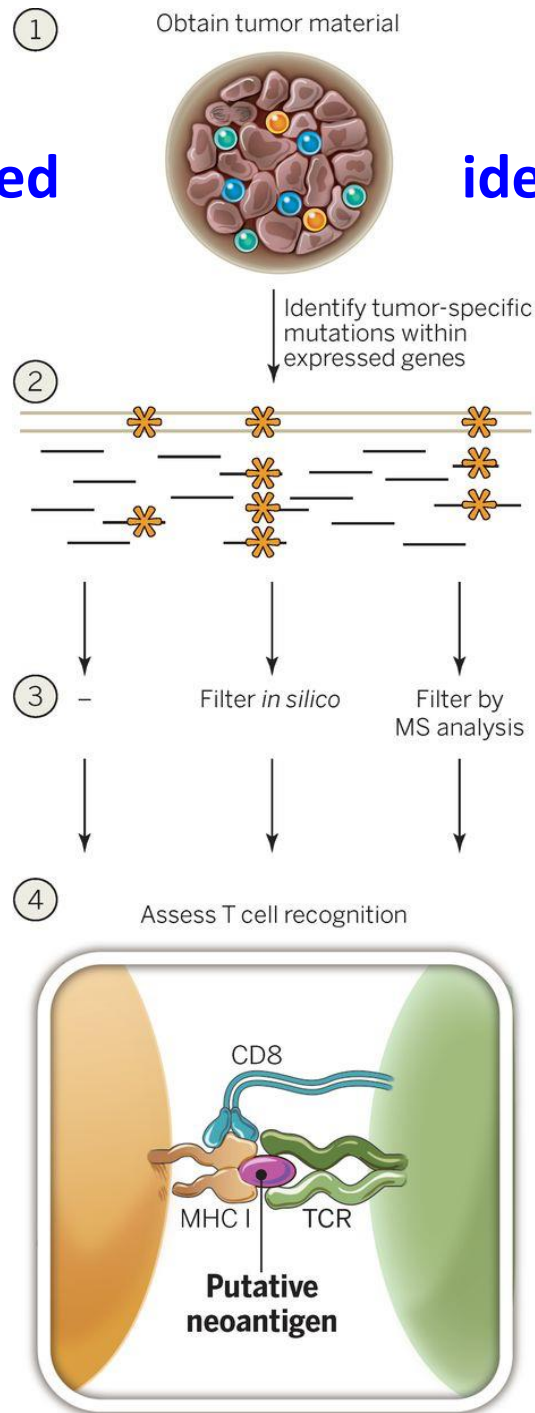
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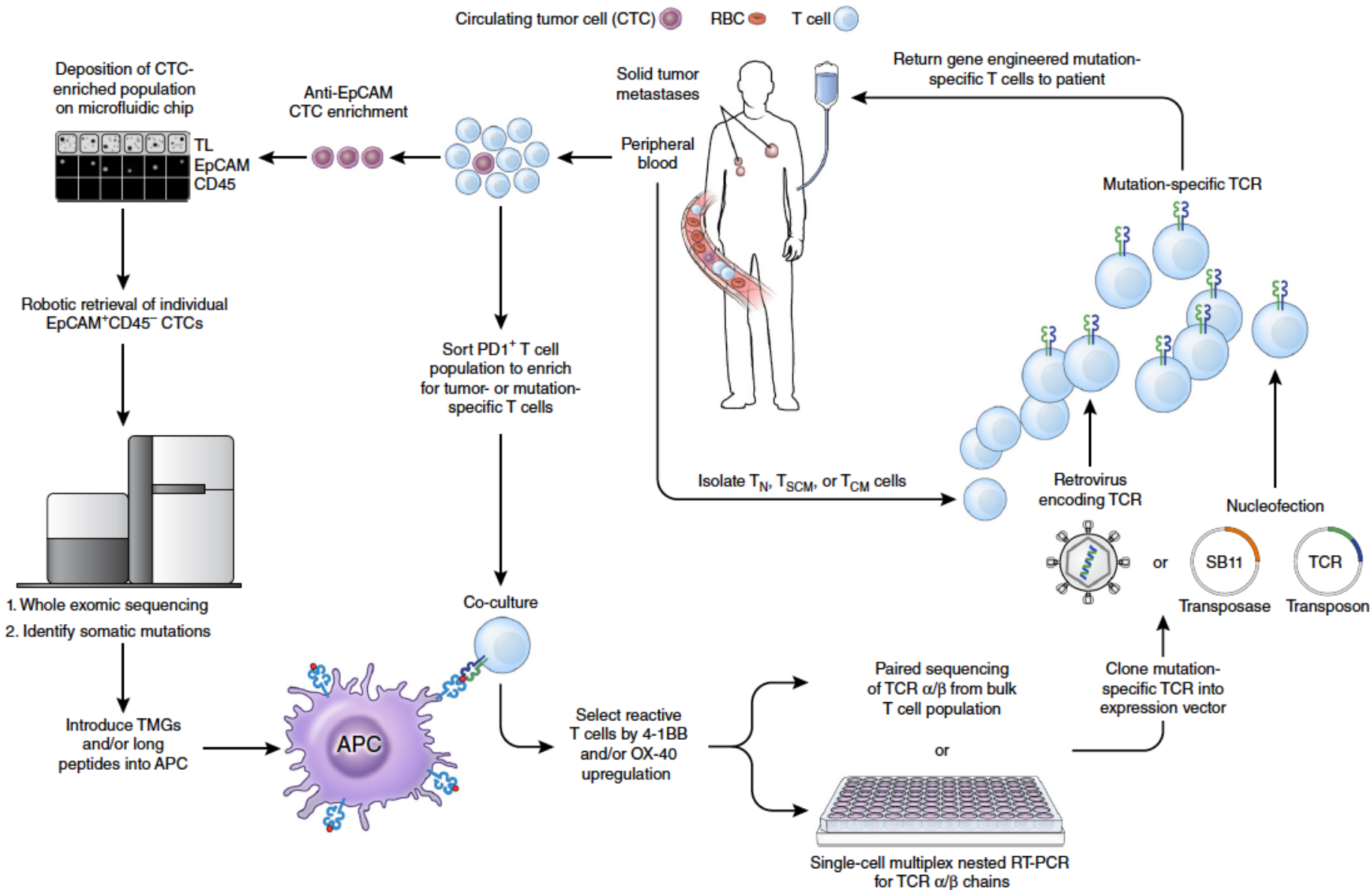
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Cancer exome-based

identification of neoantigens.



A pathway for generating autologous TCR gene therapies targeting neoantigens for patients with advanced epithelial cancers.



How to move forward

- **Targeting specific clinical settings**
 - Adjuvant therapy, Neoadjuvant therapy
 - Make immune-resistant tumor sensitive
 - Brain metastases
- **Biomarkers: predicting a response, predicting toxicity, pharmacodynamic changes, changes at progression**
 - Define who is likely to respond or;
 - Who will require additional therapy?
 - What is the best therapy to add?
 - Pretreatment; following therapy; at progression
 - PD-L1, IHC multiplex, MTB, neoepitopes (MANAs), RNA signature (inflammation, Y-IFN, T cell), CTLA-4/PD-1 T cells
- **Biopsies, Biopsies, Biopsies**
 - Try to develop situations to make biopsies easier- neoadjuvant
 - Find alternative sources of tissue- blood etc- cfDNA, WES, etc

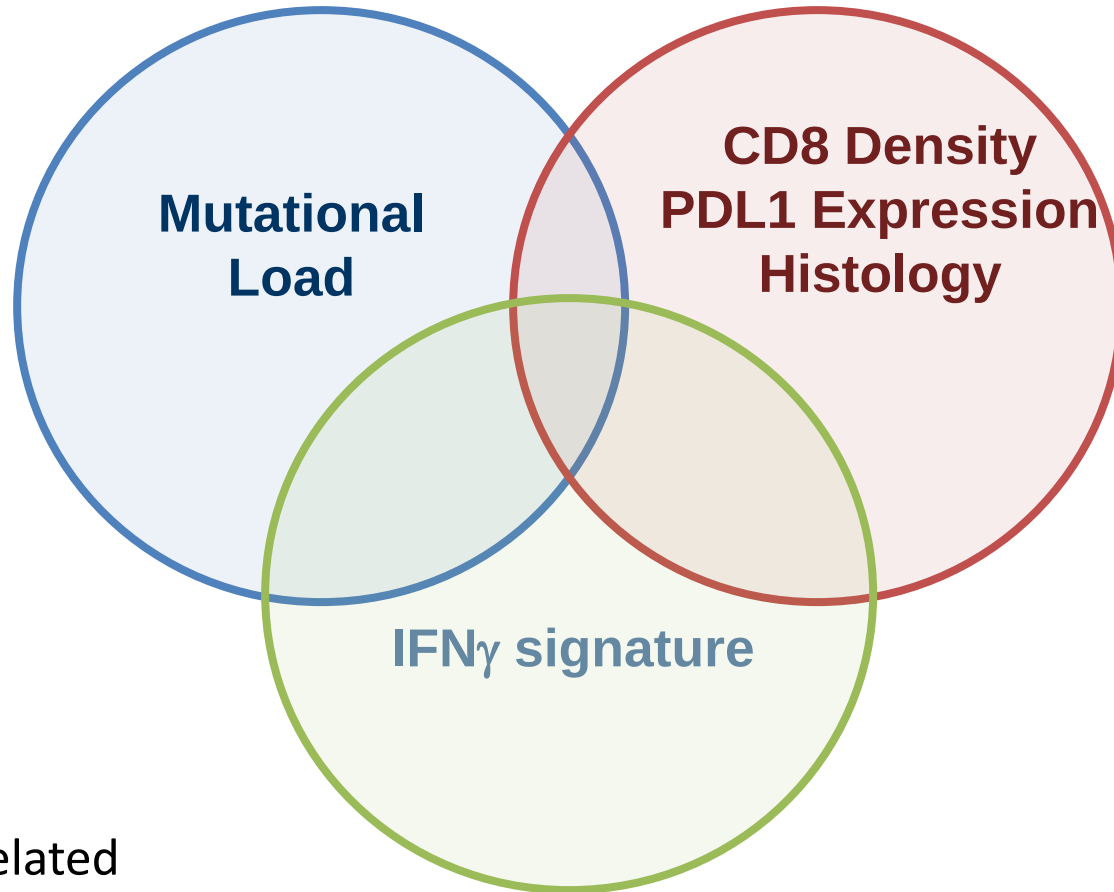
Summary

- What's required for effective Cancer Immunotherapy
- Combination Therapy –
 - Underway in full gear
 - Rationale for many combinations- selection
 - IDOi
 - Anti-LAG-3
 - Vaccines
 - Adoptive Cell Therapy
- Improving Patient Selection
 - Biomarker Development- **Too many**- how to simplify
 - Use to select the most effective
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Cancer-immune phenotypes.

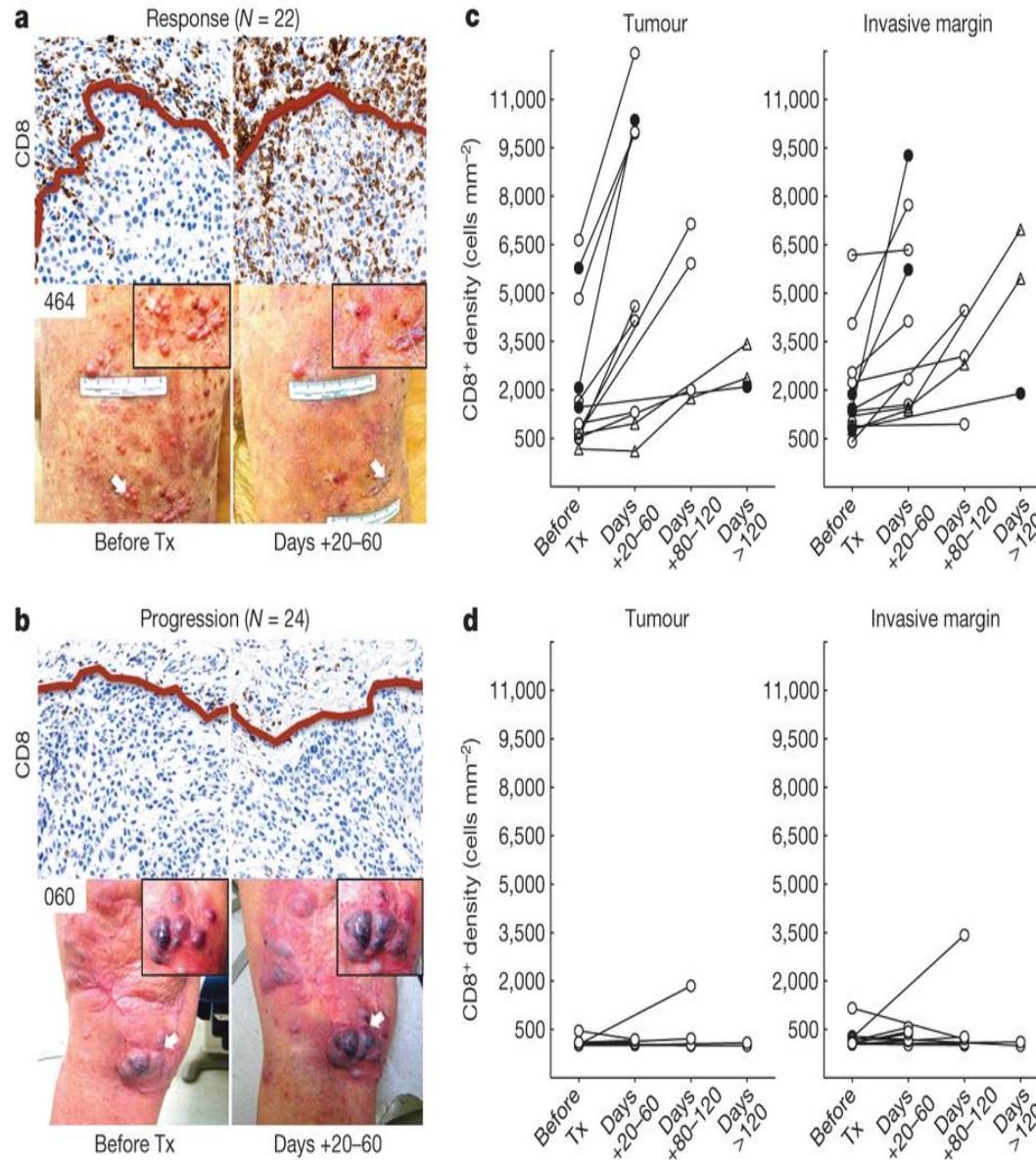


Biomarker Model

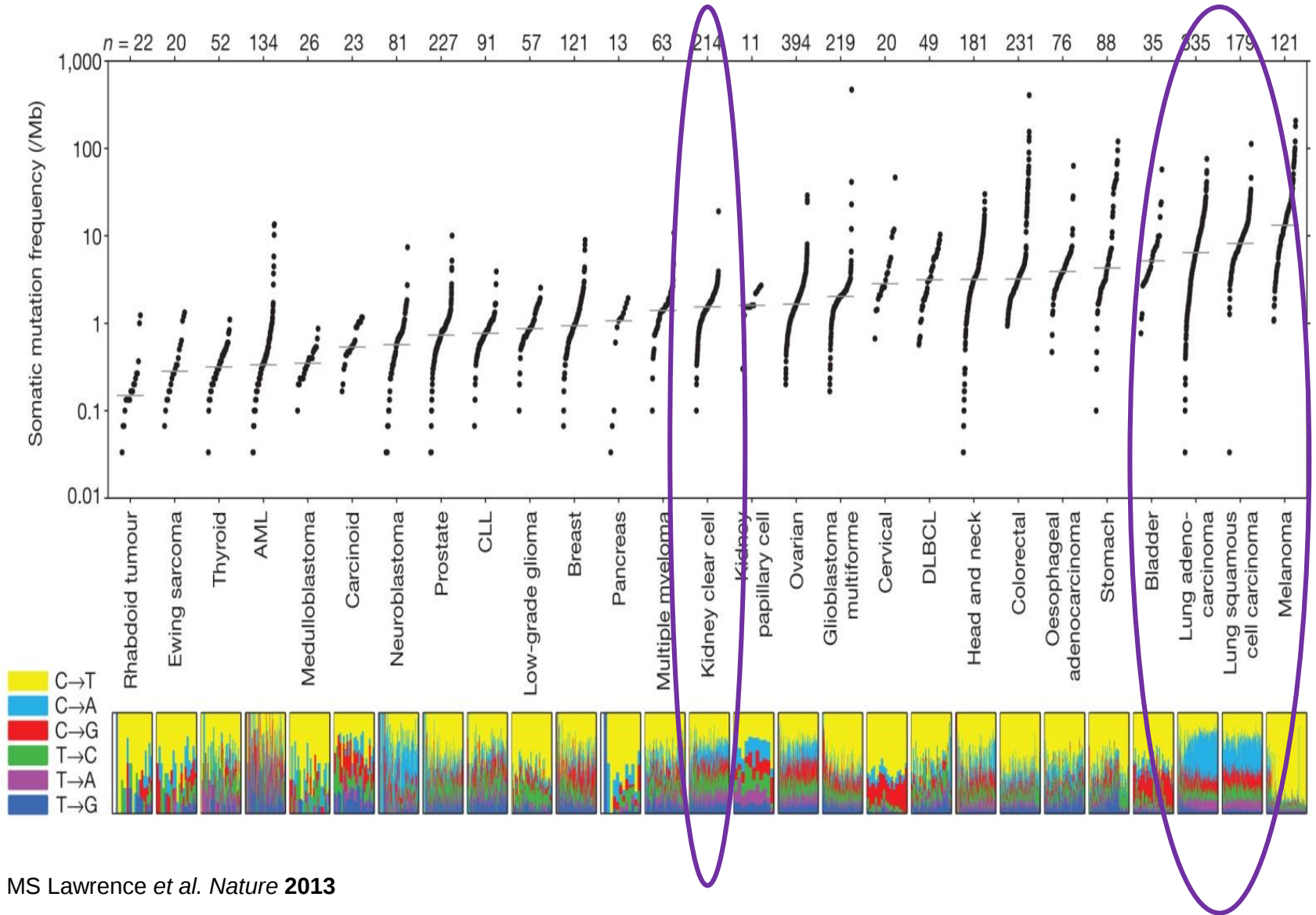


- All inter-related
- Some tumors may have a larger sweet spot

CD8+T cell Density within the Tumor and at Invasive Margin Importance

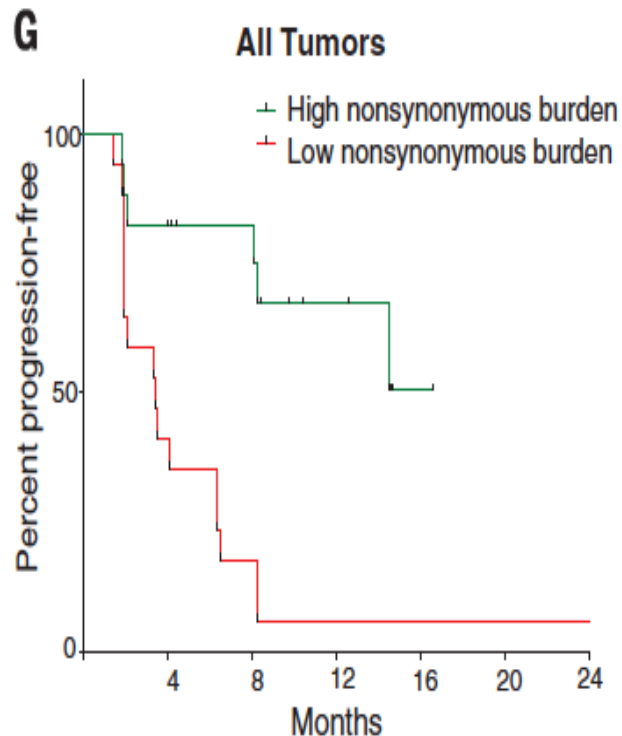


Somatic mutations by tumor type



Mutational landscape determines sensitivity to PD-1 blockade in non-small cell lung cancer

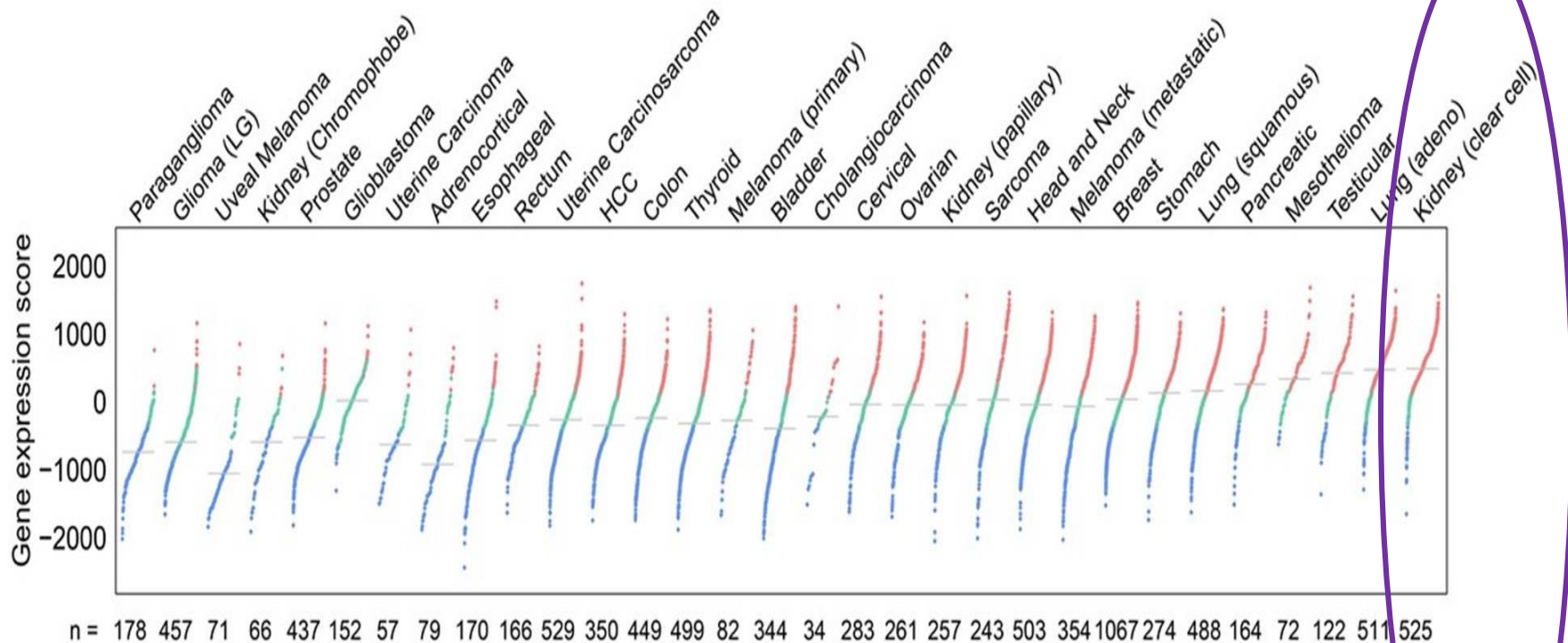
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Hypothesis:
PD-1 Blockade works in patients with most “mutated” / “immunogenic” cancers.

This data supports hypothesis

T cell-inflamed tumor microenvironment by tumor type in increasing frequency

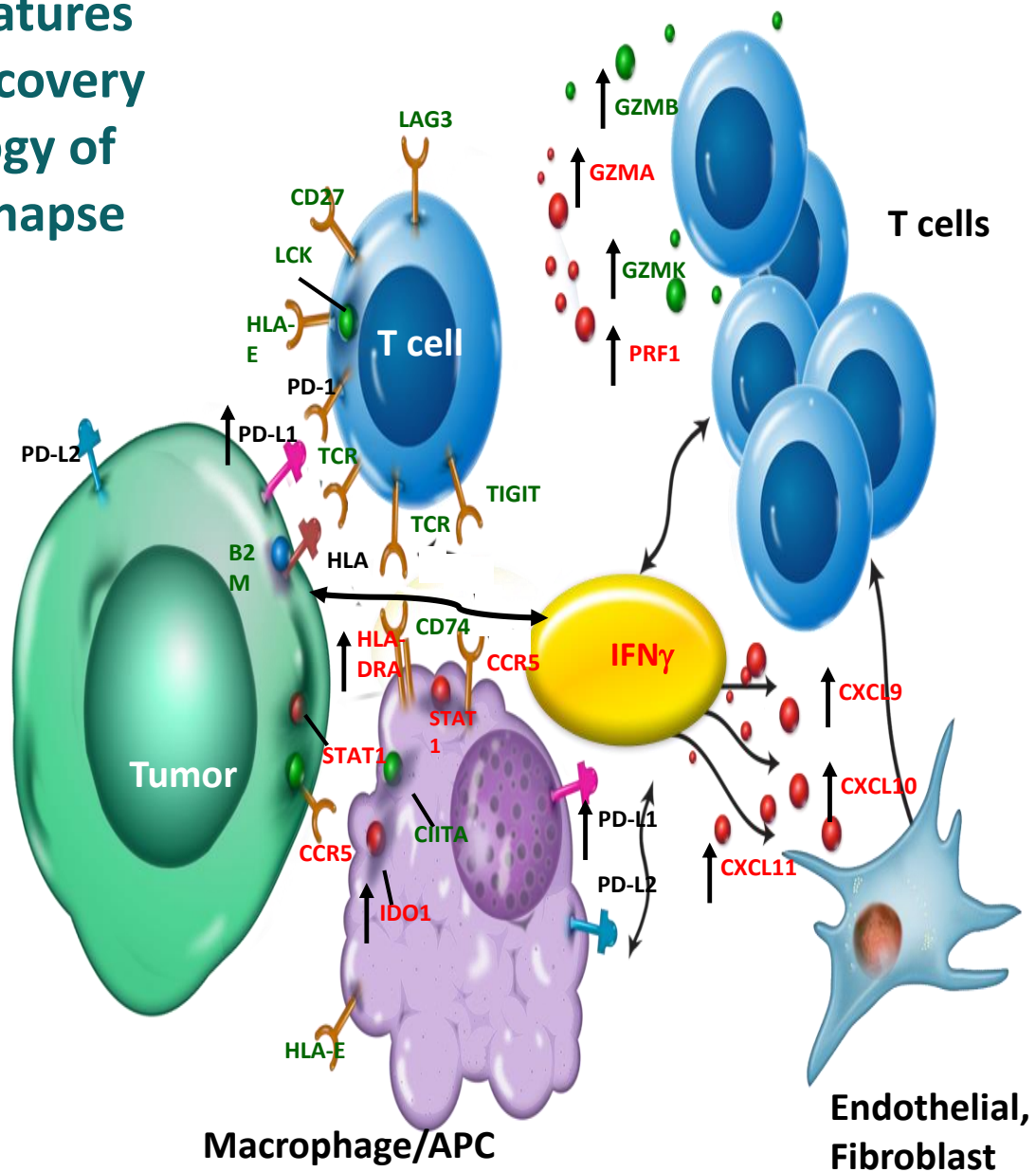


No correlation observed between mutational load and increasing T cell gene signature

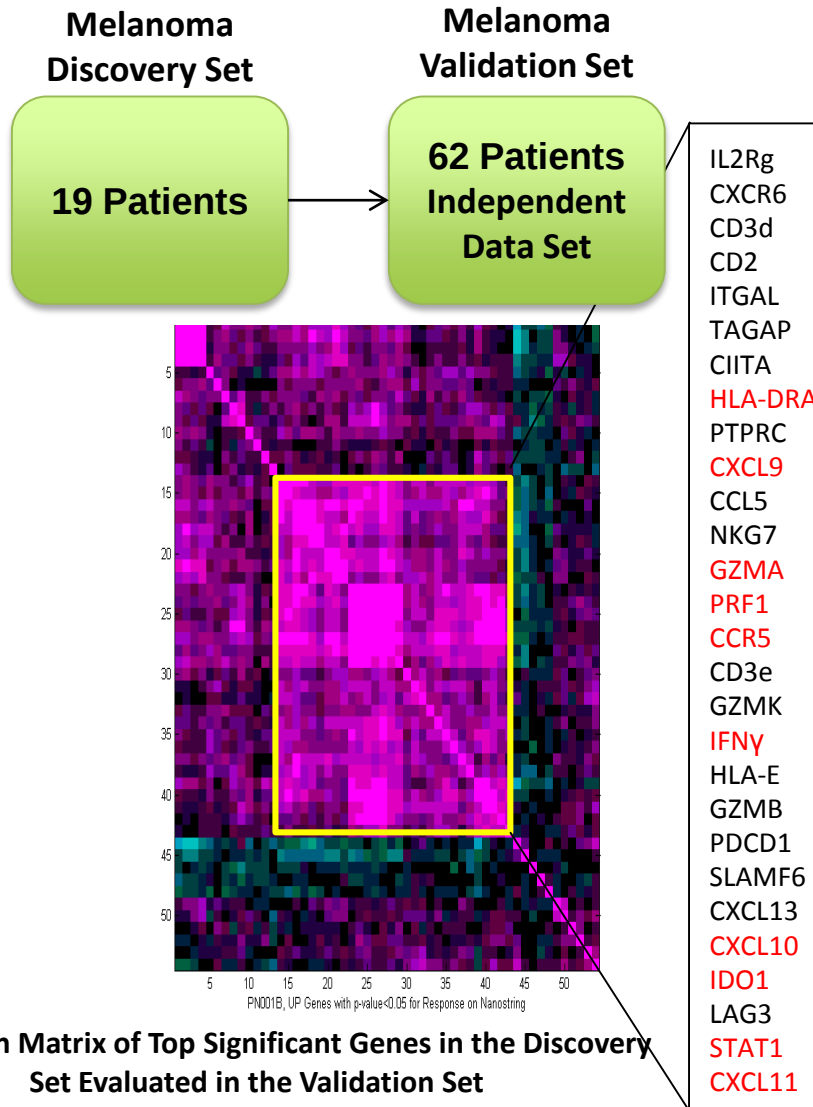
Expanded Gene Signatures Identified During Discovery Analysis Reveal Biology of Complex Immune Synapse

Discovery analysis of entire NanoString melanoma data set led to identification of new genes:

- **IFN γ signaling**
- **MHC class I and II antigen presentation machinery**
- **T-cell activation markers**

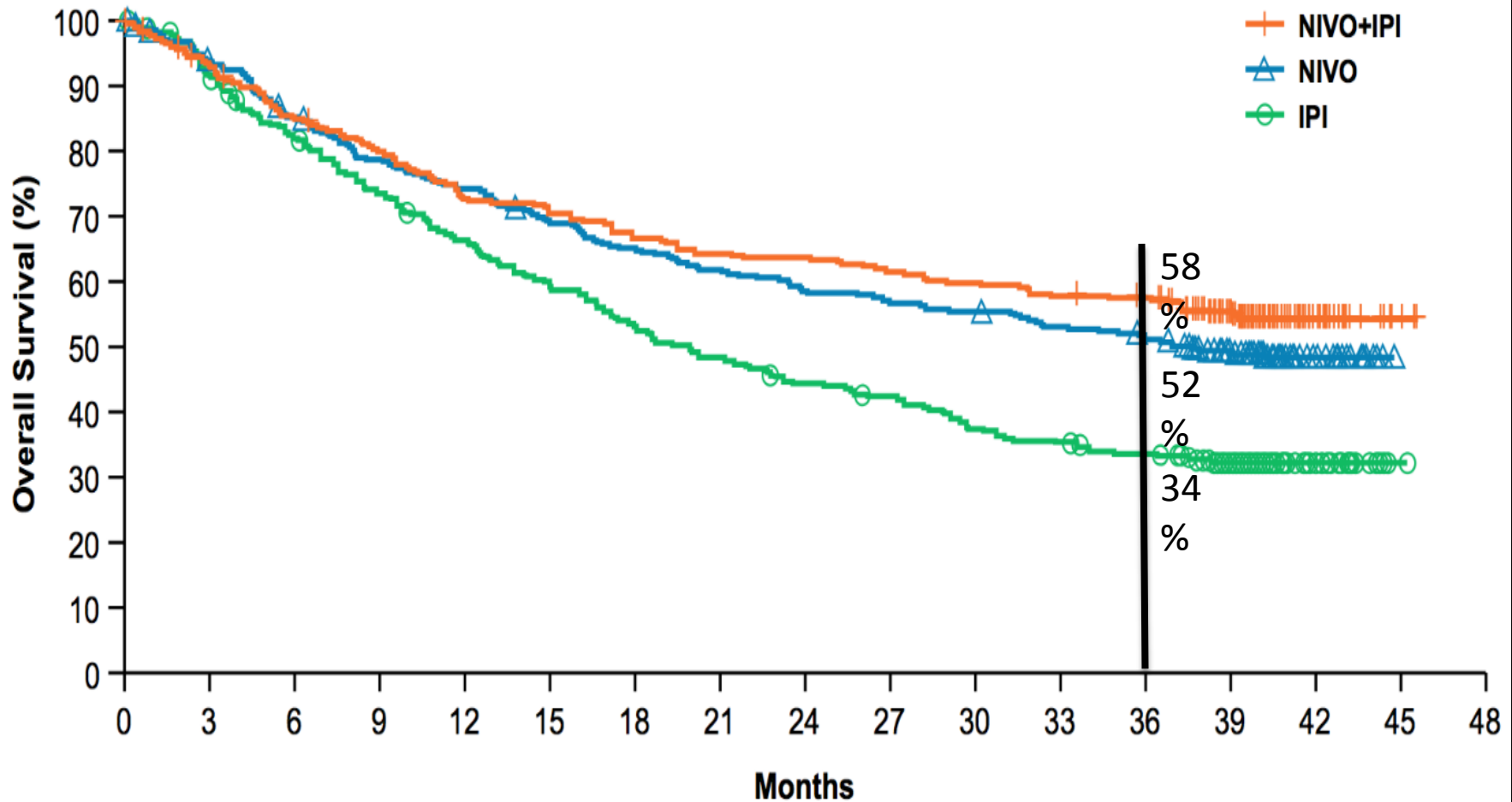


Signature Expanded in Validation Set (While Blinded to Clinical Outcome)



“Preliminary Expanded Immune” (28-gene) signature: coherent set correlated with the 10-gene “Preliminary IFN γ ” signature genes (in red)

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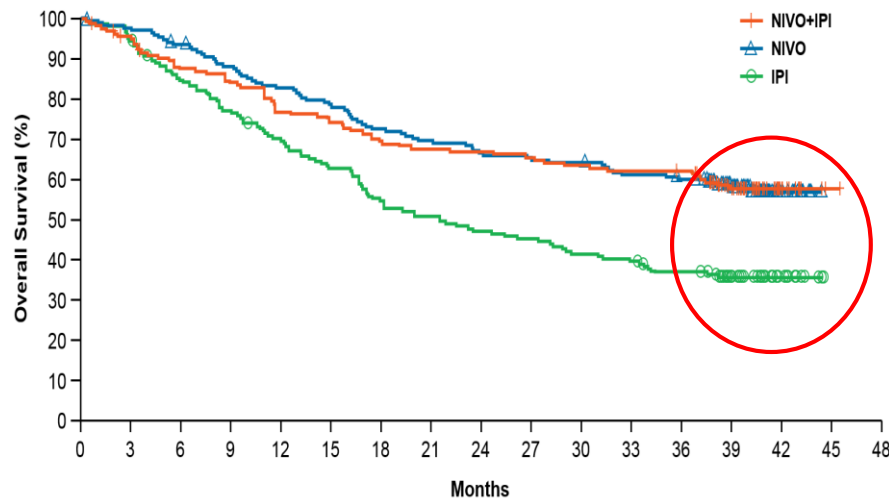


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NIVO	316	292	265	244	230	213	201	191	181	175	171	163	156	120	28	0	0
IPI	315	285	253	227	203	181	163	148	135	128	113	107	100	68	20	2	0

Can PD-L1 IHC Determine Cohort that Benefits from Combination Therapy vs Single agent Therapy?

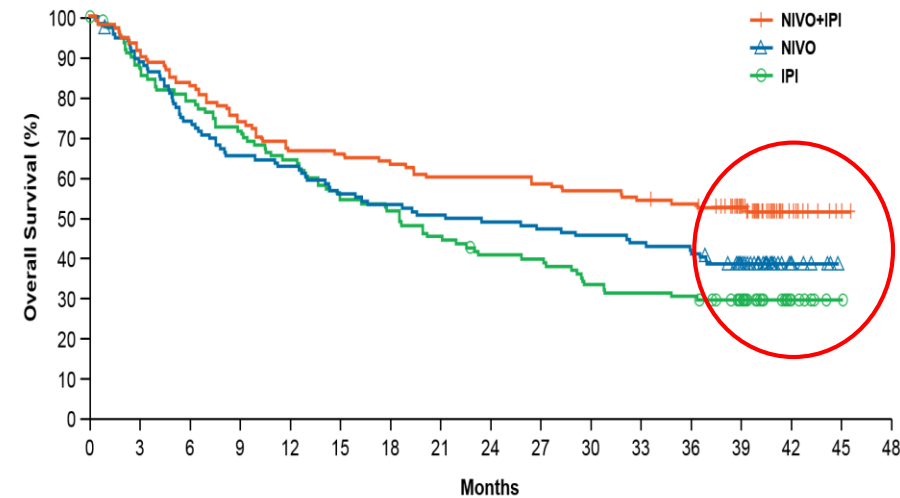
PD-L1 expression level $\geq 1\%$



Patients at risk:

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48
NIVO+IPI	155	144	132	127	116	112	105	102	101	99	96	94	93	66	14	1	0
NIVO	171	165	158	148	139	131	122	117	112	109	108	102	99	76	18	0	0
IPI	164	155	137	125	113	101	88	82	76	73	67	64	58	38	10	0	0

PD-L1 expression level $< 1\%$

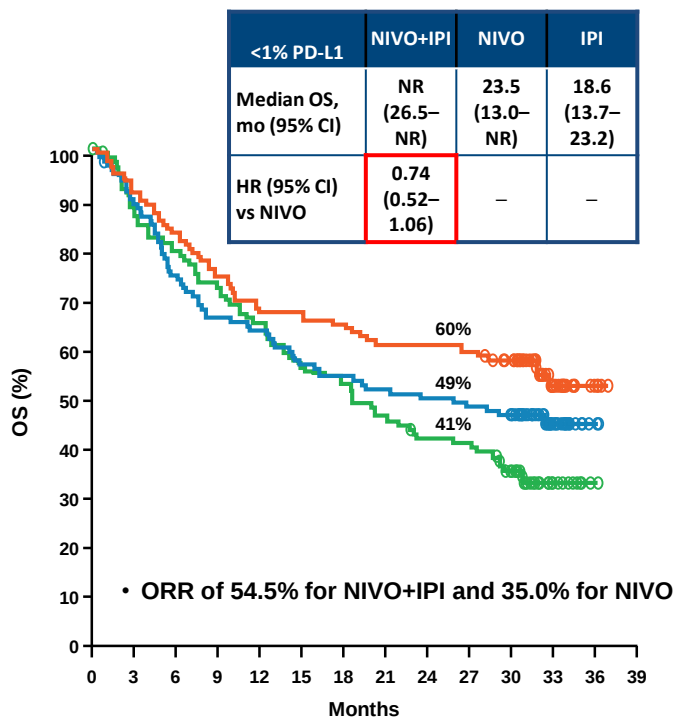


Patients at risk:

	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48
NIVO+IPI	123	113	102	91	82	82	79	74	74	72	70	67	65	50	11	2	0
NIVO	117	103	86	76	73	65	62	59	57	55	53	51	49	37	7	0	0
IPI	113	96	87	79	71	61	57	50	44	43	36	34	33	24	8	1	0

Outcomes Observed at a 1% Cutoff

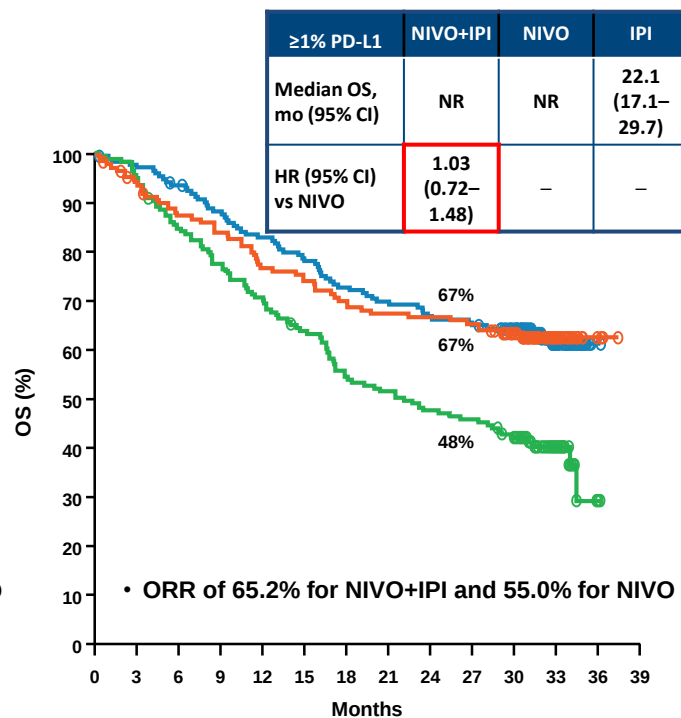
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Patients at risk:

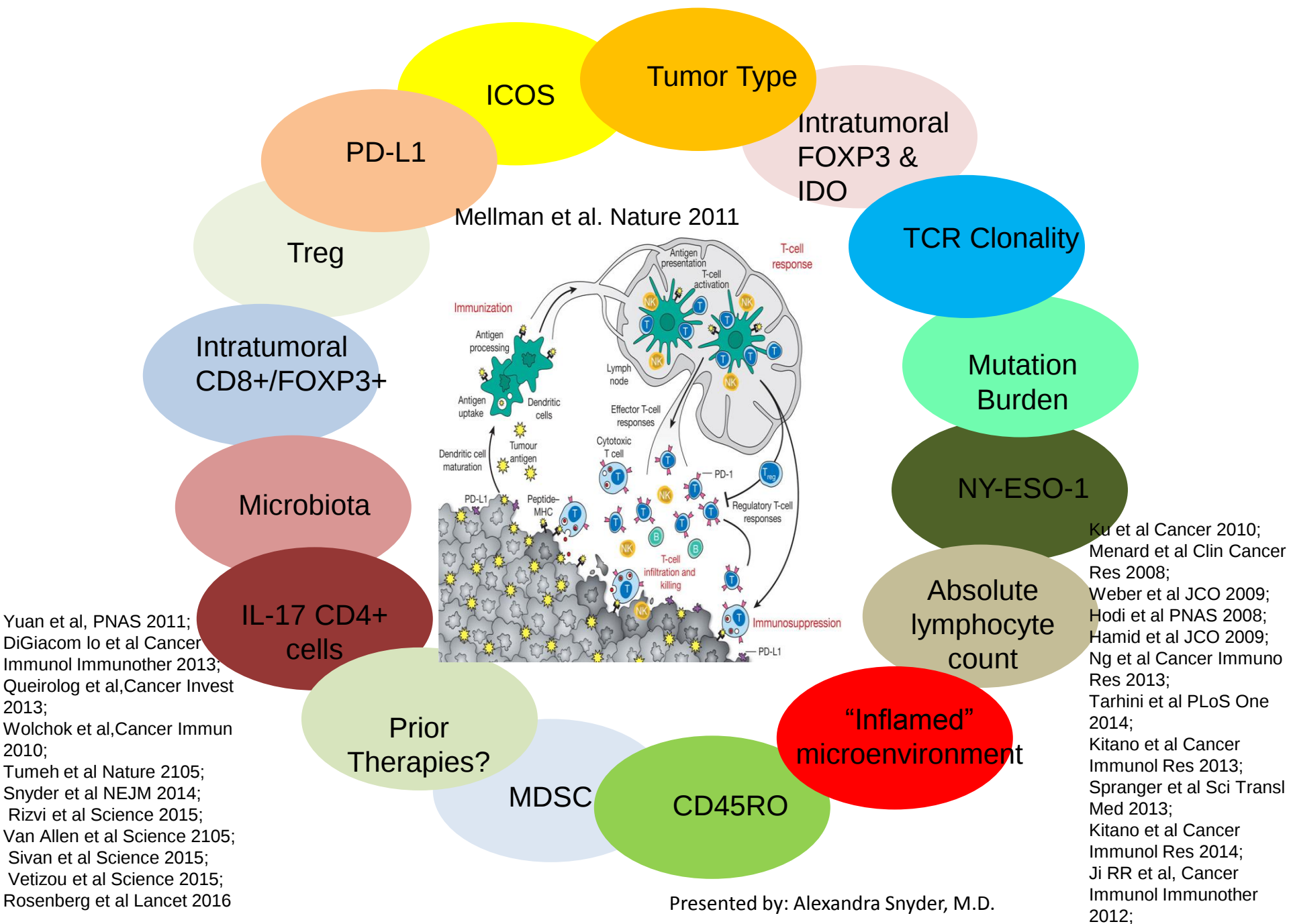
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NIVO	117	103	86	76	73	65	62	59	57	55	50	16	2	0
IPI	113	96	87	79	71	61	57	50	44	43	32	10	1	0

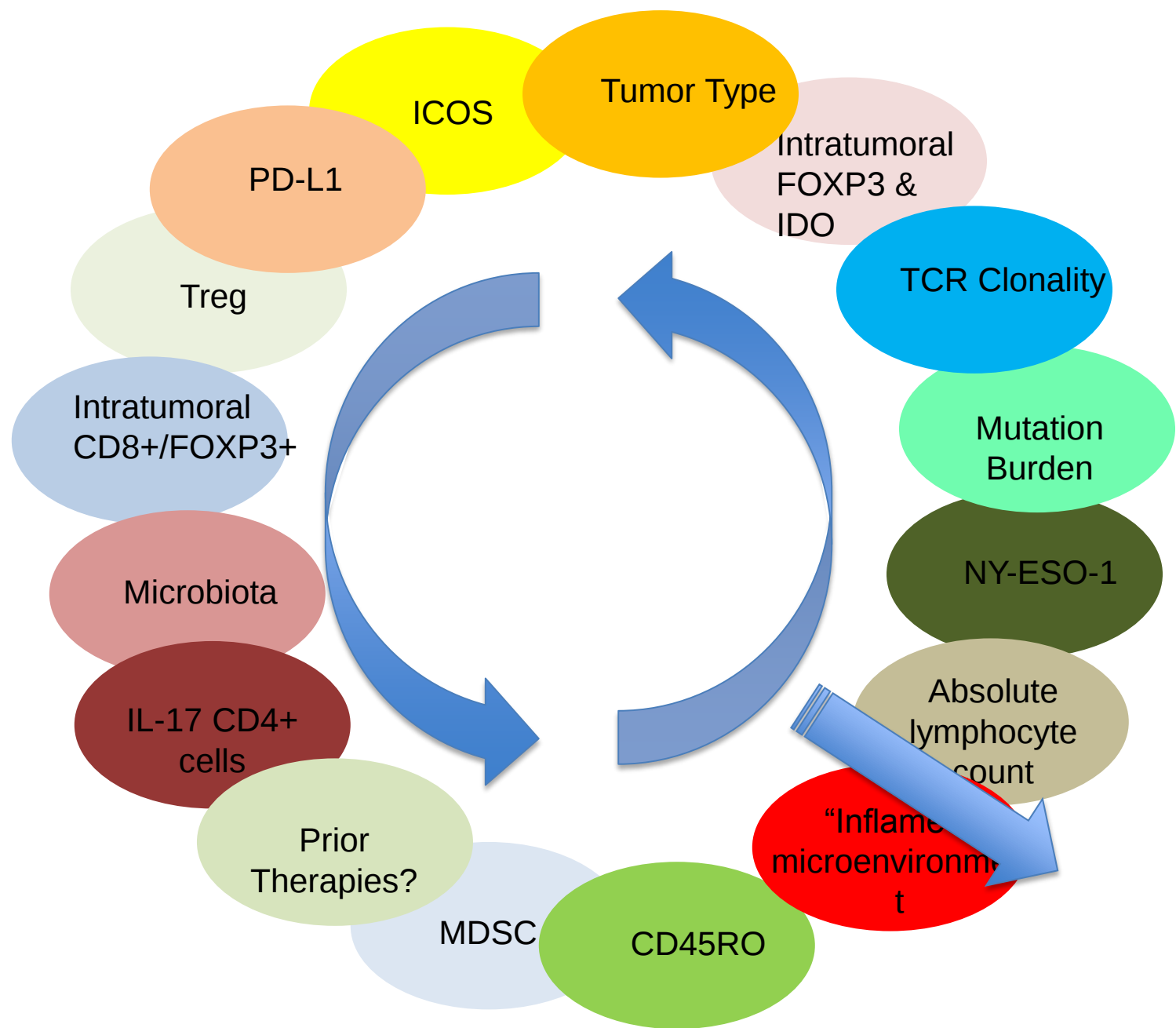
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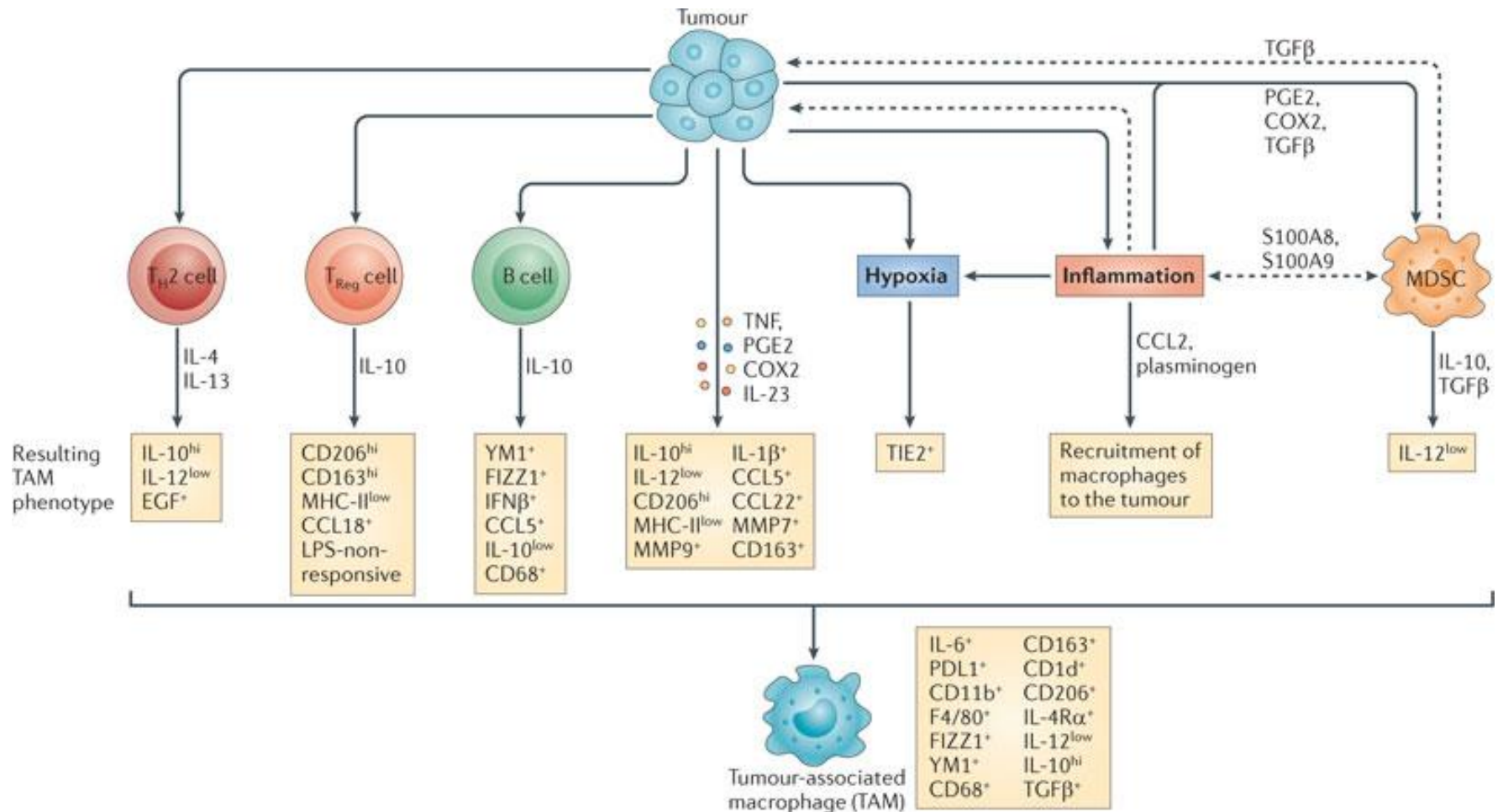
Patients at risk:

NIVO+IPI	155	144	132	127	116	112	105	102	101	99	85	27	3	0
NIVO	171	165	158	148	139	131	122	117	112	109	98	36	1	0
IPI	164	155	138	126	115	102	89	83	77	74	64	21	2	0





Tumor Interactions to Suppress the Immune System



Overcome Tumor -Induced Immune Suppression

The Barriers

- Cell Populations
- Soluble Factors
- Immune checkpoints
- Loss of Tumor Antigens