

What's Next for Cancer Immunotherapy?

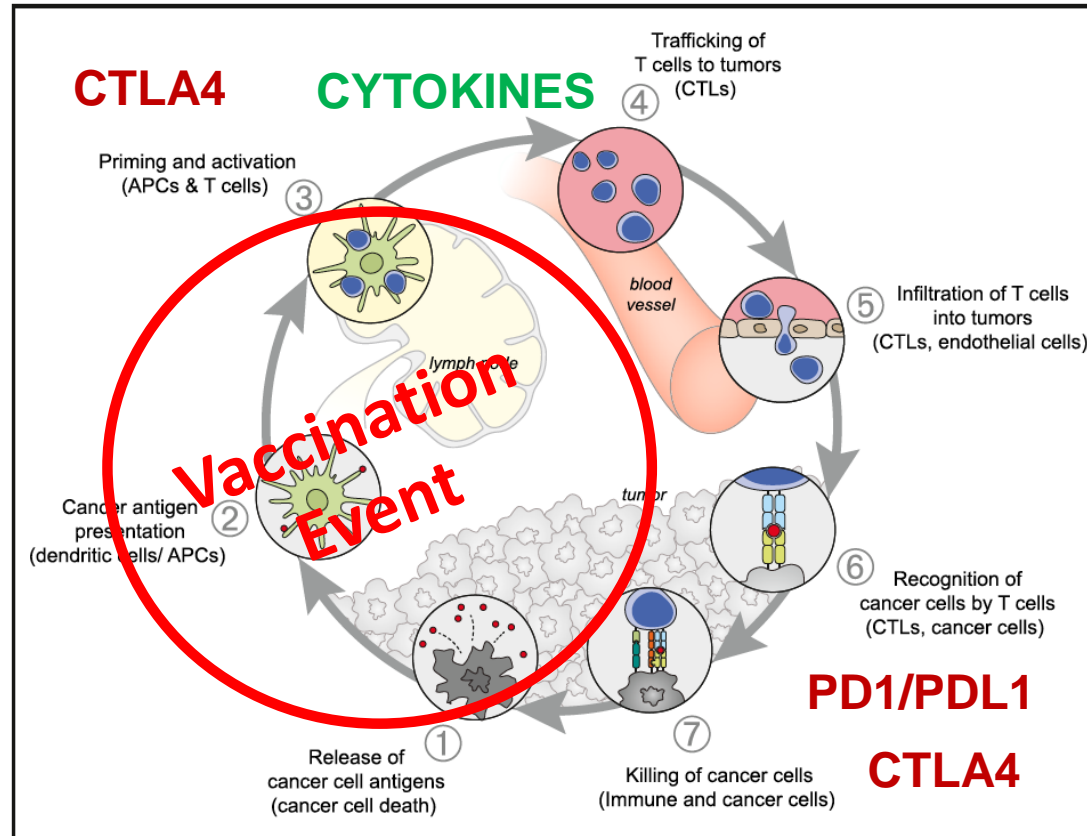
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Immunity Cycle



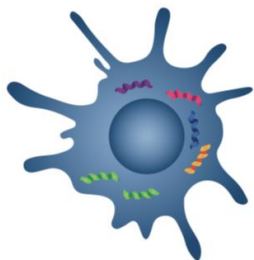
Mellman, Chen Immunity Cycle

Vaccination Approaches

- Deterministic Approach
 - RNA (e.g. BioNtech)
 - DNA
 - Peptide (e.g. Neon, Immatix)
- Stochastic Approach (typically in-situ)
 - Radiation
 - TLR / Agonists STING

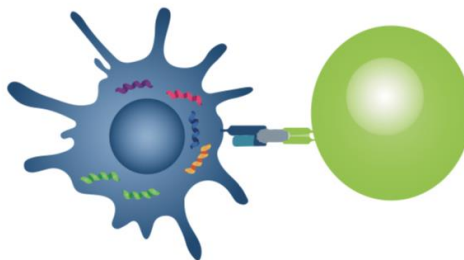
NEO-PV-01 (Peptides)

Cancer Mutations Generate Neoantigens



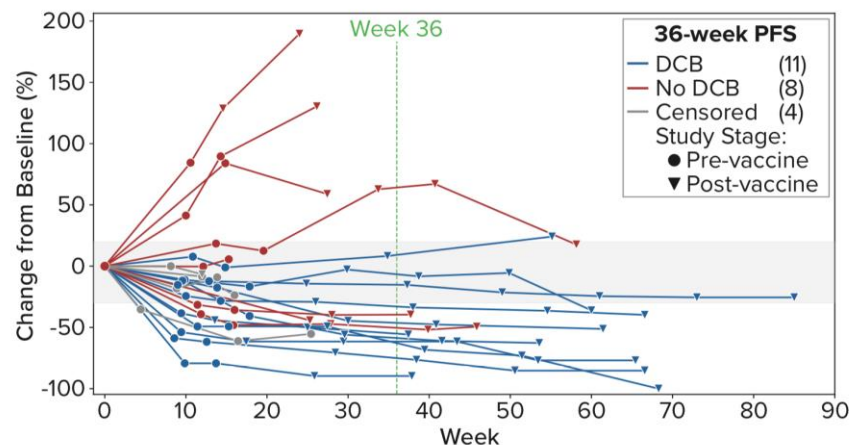
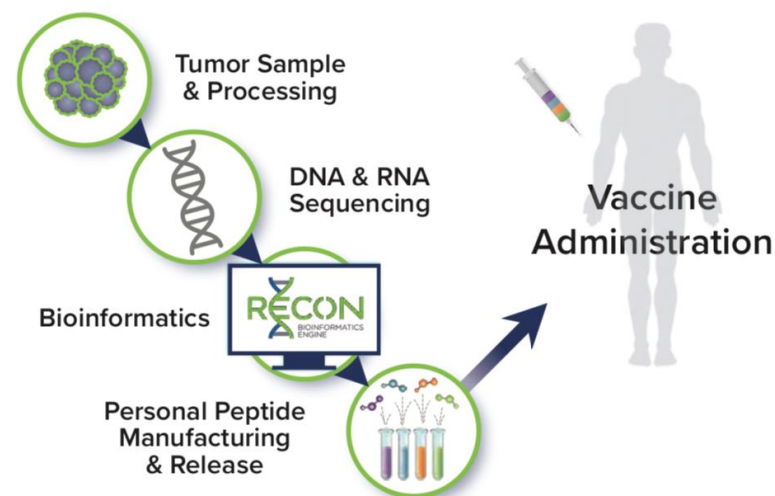
- Tumor mutations expressed as neoantigens
- Neoantigens presented on tumor cell surface via MHC

Neoantigens Provide Targets for T cells

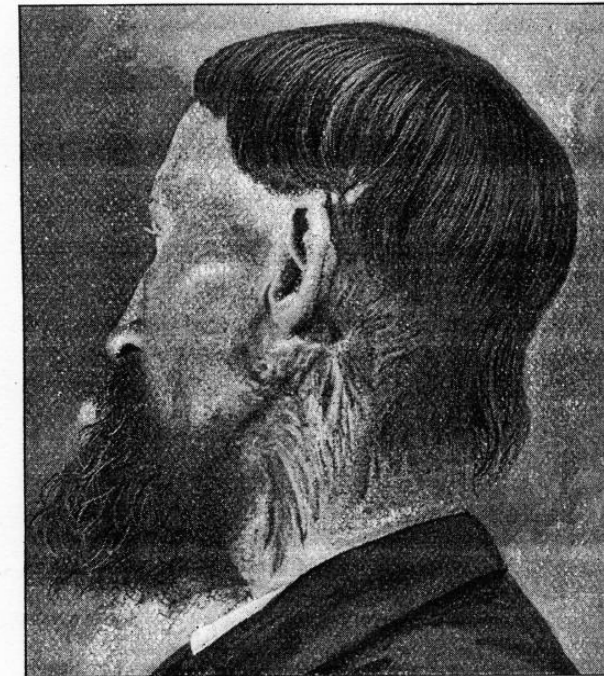
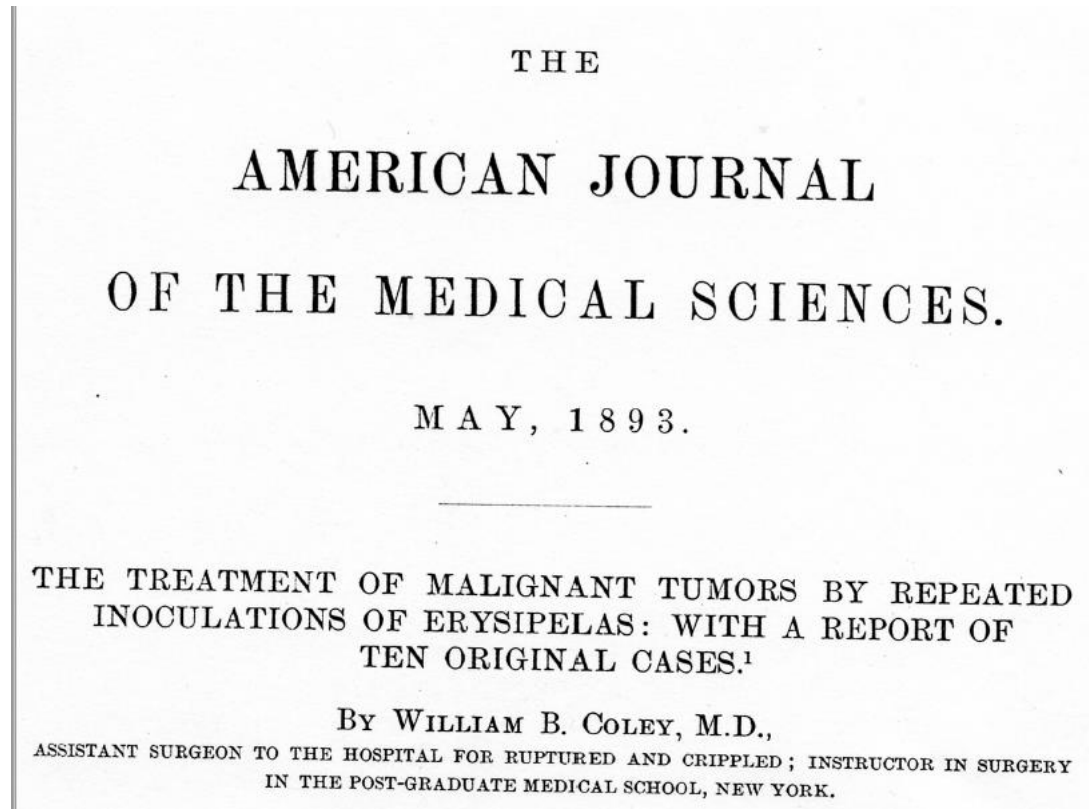


- T cells interface with neoantigen peptide: MHC
- Tumor cell recognition & T cell-mediated killing

Manufacture of NEO-PV-01 Personal Neoantigen Vaccine

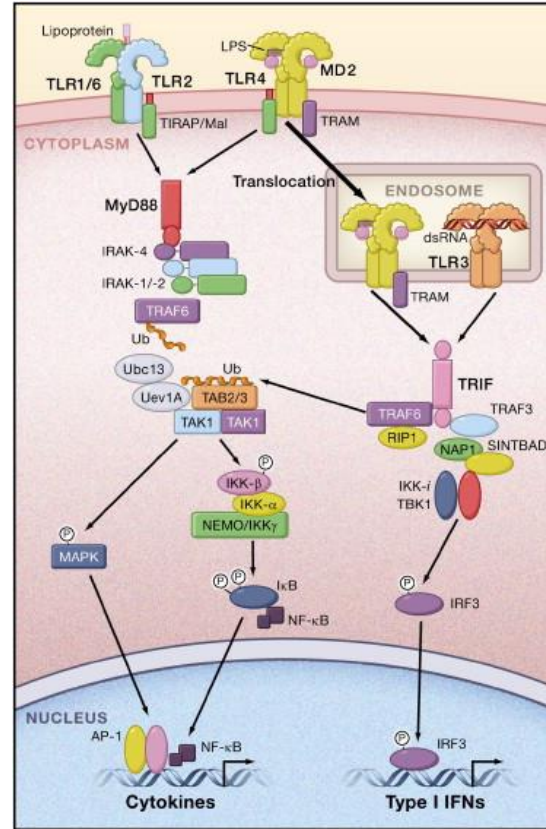


First Immunotherapy

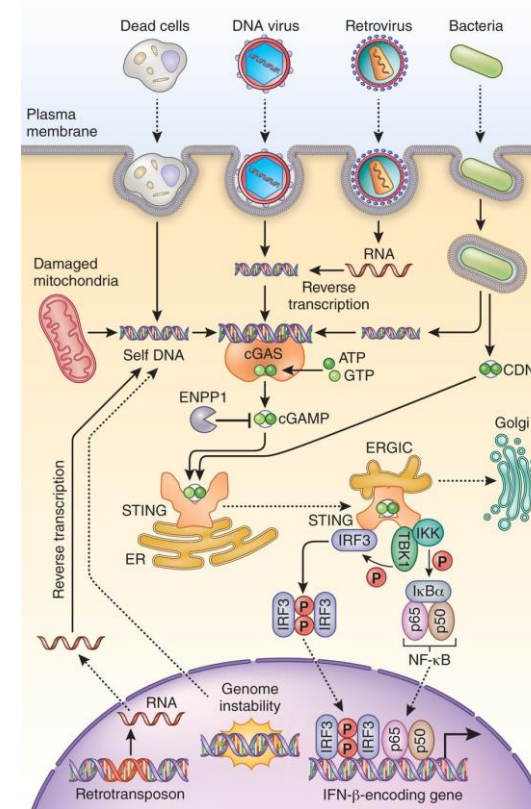


LPS = Toll Like Receptor 4 agonist

Innate Immune Sensing



Toll-Like Receptors (TLR)



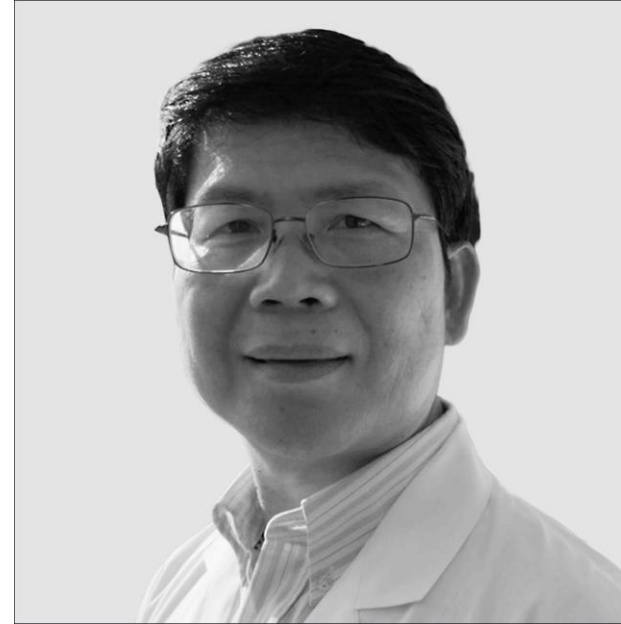
cGAS-STING pathway

Innate Immune Sensing



Bruce Beutler

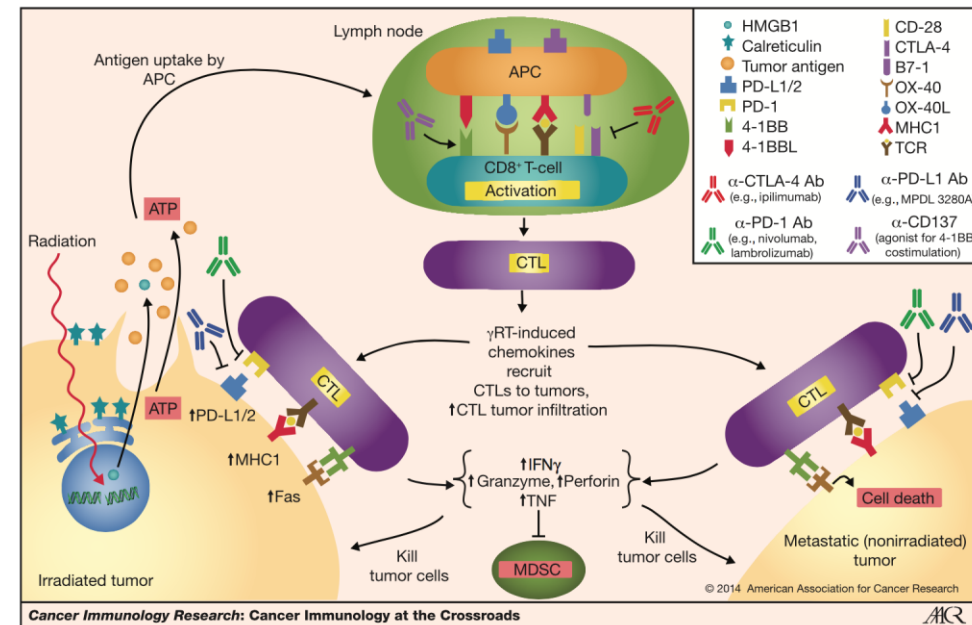
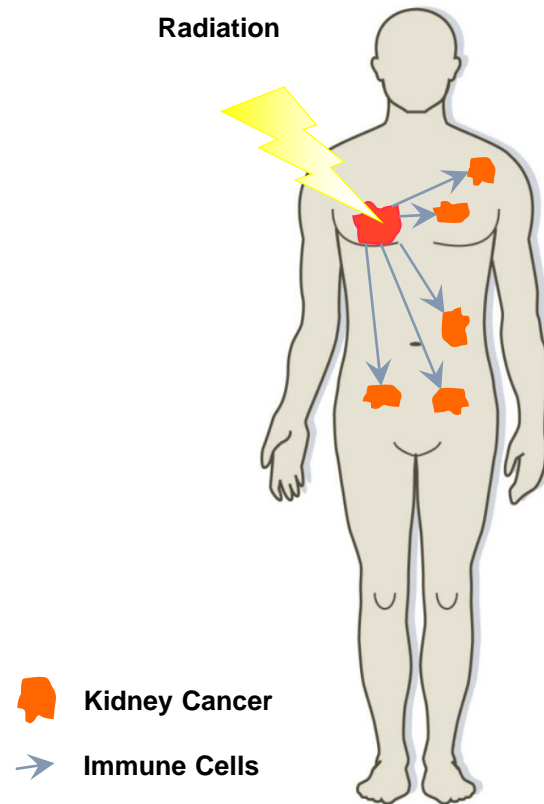
2011 Nobel Prize Medicine/Physiology 2019 Breakthrough Prize in Life Sciences



Zhijian "James" Chen

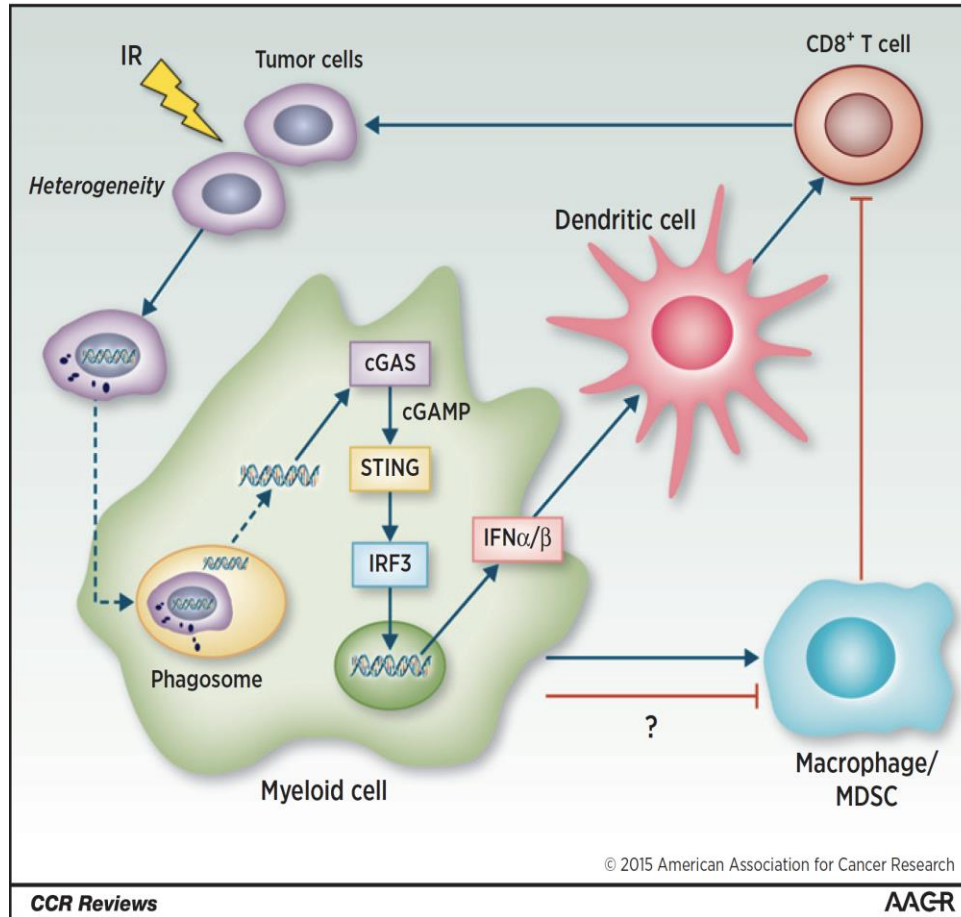
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IN SITU VACCINATION WITH SBRT

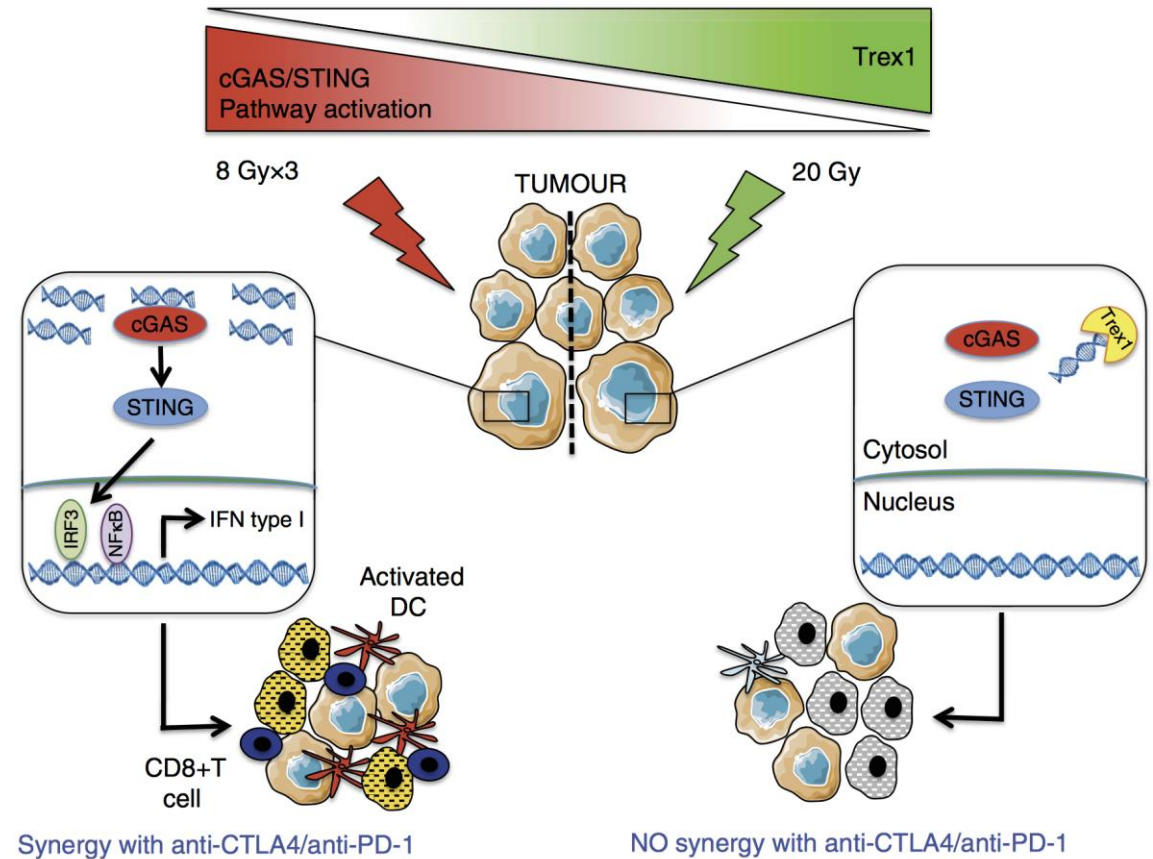


Cancer Immunology Research 2(9); 831–8.

Radiation Induced cGAS-STING



Clin Cancer Res; 22(1) January 1, 2016



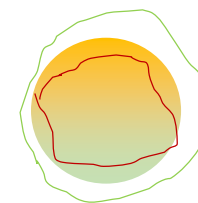
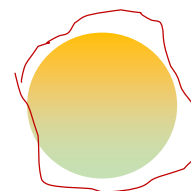
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RADVAX RCC Trial

Radiation (5 x 10 Gy qod)

50 Gy

40 Gy



Induction Phase

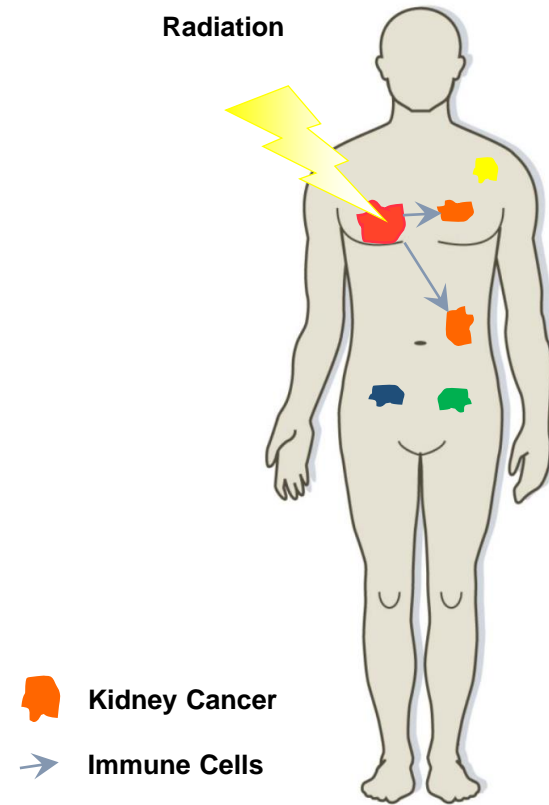
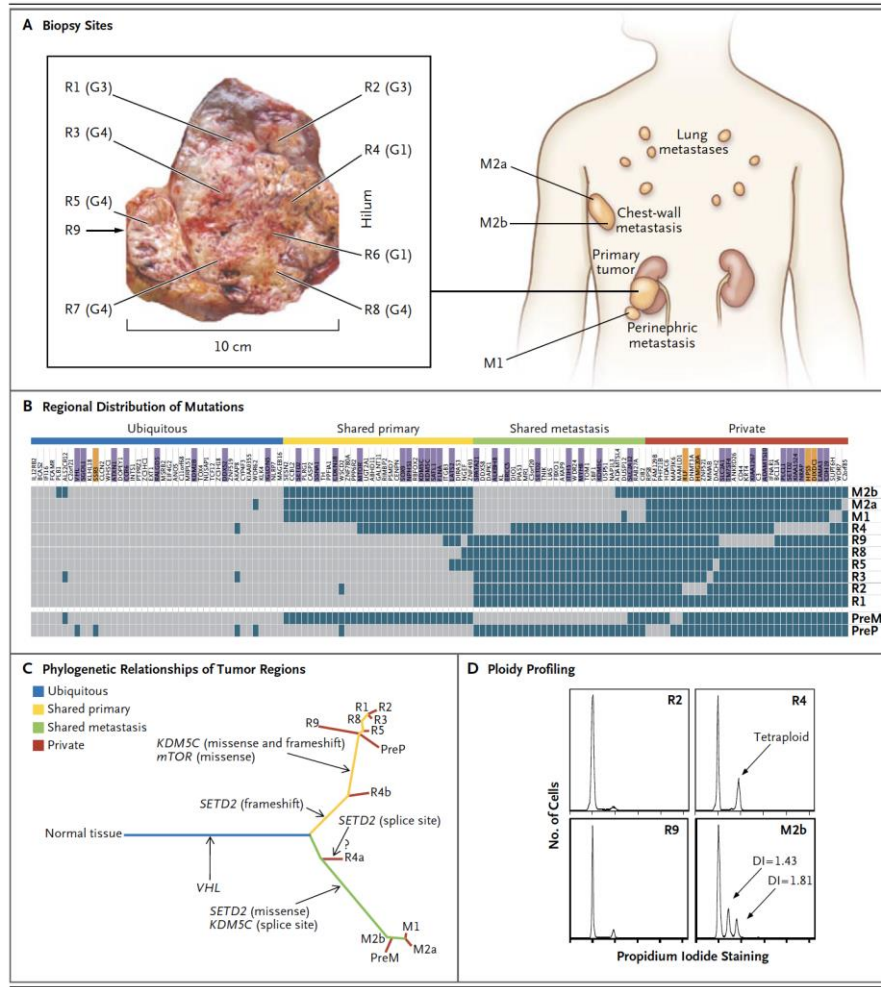
Maintenance Phase

Dual Blockade NIVO 3/ IPI 1

Nivolumab Monotherapy

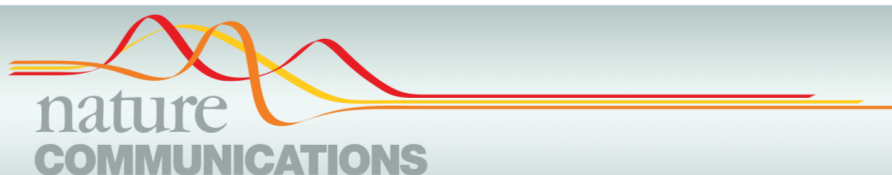
Biomarkers/Biopsy

Tumor Heterogeneity



Gerlinger et al NEJM

Immuno-PET





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Whole body PD-1 and PD-L1 positron emission tomography in patients with non-small-cell lung cancer

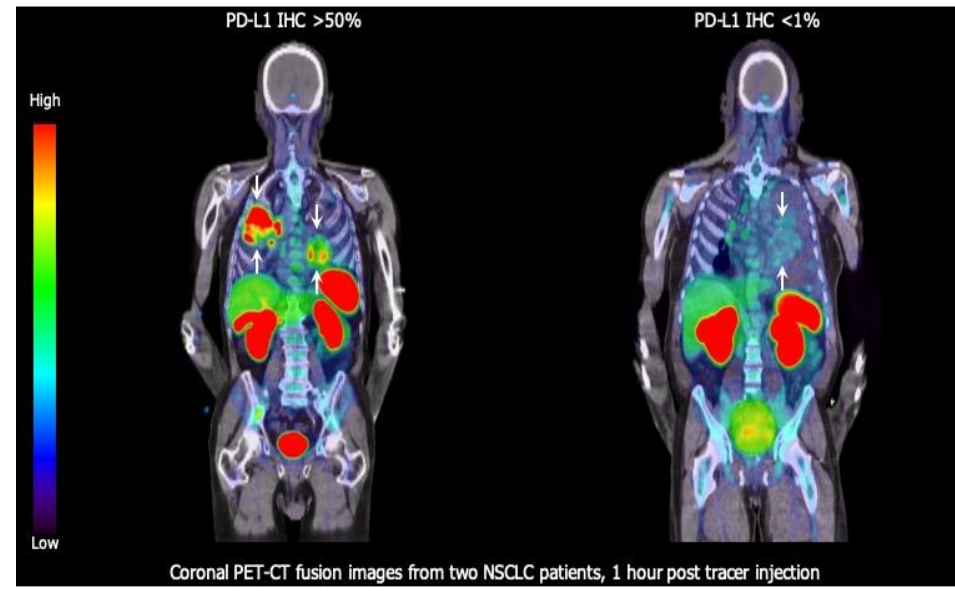
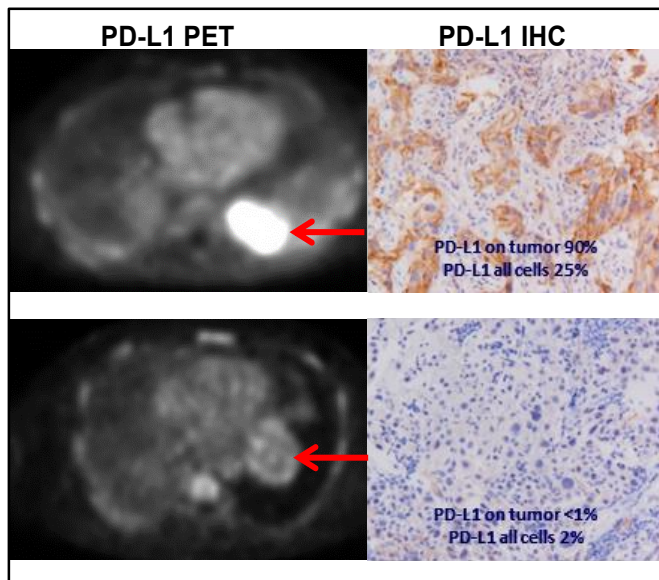
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F18-PET PDL1 Imaging (2nd Gen)

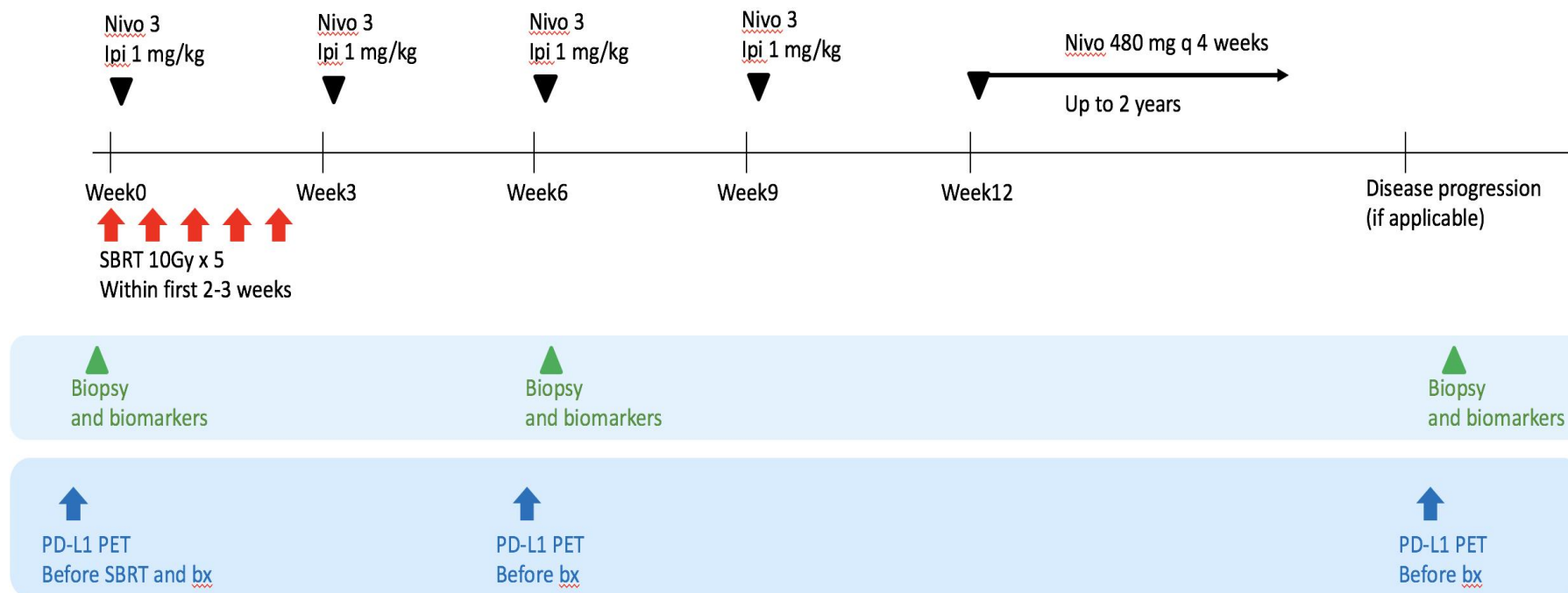
Synthesis and Biologic Evaluation of a Novel ¹⁸F-Labeled Adnectin as a PET Radioligand for Imaging PD-L1 Expression

David J. Donnelly*, R. Adam Smith*, Paul Morin*, Daša Lipovšek, Jochem Gokemeijer, Daniel Cohen, Virginie Lafont, Tritin Tran, Erin L. Cole, Martin Wright, Joonyoung Kim, Adrienne Pena, Daniel Kukral, Douglas D. Dischino, Patrick Chow, Jinping Gan, Olufemi Adelakun, Xi-Tao Wang, Kai Cao, David Leung, Samuel J. Bonacorsi Jr., and Wendy Hayes

Bristol-Myers Squibb Research and Development, Princeton, New Jersey



RADVAX RCC II



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Phase Ib study of MIW815 (ADU-S100) in combination with spartalizumab (PDR001) in patients with advanced/metastatic solid tumors or lymphomas (NCT03172936)

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Preliminary anti-tumor activity

MIW815 (ADU-S100)
3-weeks-on/1-week-off

Confirmed responses were achieved in five patients, one of which was a CR

- Three of these responses (including the CR) were observed in patients with IO-naïve TNBC; these patients are continuing to receive treatment at time of data cut
- Two of these patients with TNBC expressed PD-L1 levels of >1% at baseline (data from the third patient are not available)
- The two remaining responders had previously IO-treated melanoma (of 35 melanoma patients enrolled across the whole study, 7 not yet reimaged)
- An additional 12 patients achieved SD
 - Tumor types: Sarcoma, melanoma, SCC skin, breast, lymphoma, and head and neck

MIW815
(ADU-S100)
monthly

No patients achieved a response; however, six patients achieved a SD

- Tumor types: Ovarian, breast, uveal melanoma, head and neck, and cutaneous melanoma
- Four of whom maintained SD for ≥6 months

CRC, colorectal cancer; SCC, squamous cell carcinoma.

Data cut-off: April 5, 2019

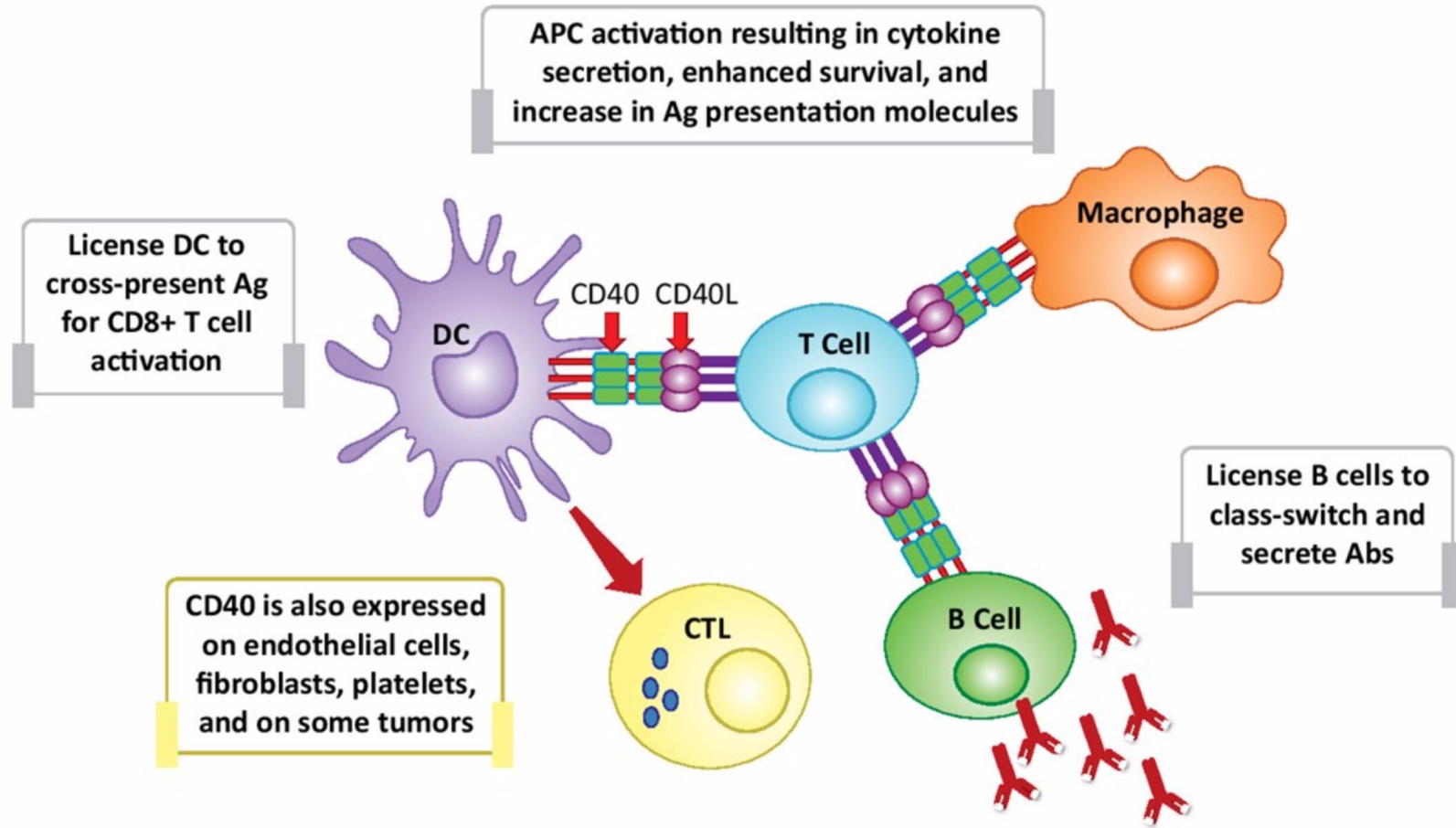
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Anti-CD40



Anti-CD40





Press Release

Apexigen Presents Clinical Data on CD40 Antibody APX005M in Metastatic Melanoma at the AACR Annual Meeting 2019

- *APX005M and Nivolumab Combination was Well Tolerated and Induced Promising Response Rates in Patients with Metastatic or Unresectable Melanoma Progressing on Anti-PD-1/PD-L1 Therapy*
- *Plenary Session and Late-breaking Poster Presentations Highlight Progress Developing APX005M in Combination Therapy for Difficult-to-Treat Types of Cancer*

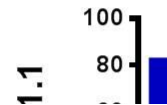
>> In Melanoma 16% PR in PD1 progressors

>> Trial with anti-CSF1 and anti-PD1 enrolling RCC at Yale (Kluger)

Cytokines: PEG-IL2

Stage IV IO-Naïve 1L RCC Cohort Achieved Pre-Specified Efficacy Criteria

Stage 1: ORR 7/11 (64%)
Stage 2: Best Overall Response ORR=12/26 (46%); DCR=20/26 (77%)



Median Time on Study 5.6 Months (N=26)
 As of May 20, 2019

**Bempegaldesleukin in combination
 with OPDIVO® (nivolumab)**

INDICATION: Renal Cell Carcinoma

PARTNER



Data cut: May 20, 2019

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Horizontal dotted lines indicate the thresholds for PD, PR and CR response according to RECIST (version 1.1) criteria: -100% is PR for complete clearance of target lesions. CR is a complete response, "u": Unconfirmed. *Best overall response is PD (SD for target lesions, PD for non-target lesions). ‡Off study treatment with confirmed PR due to patient decision.

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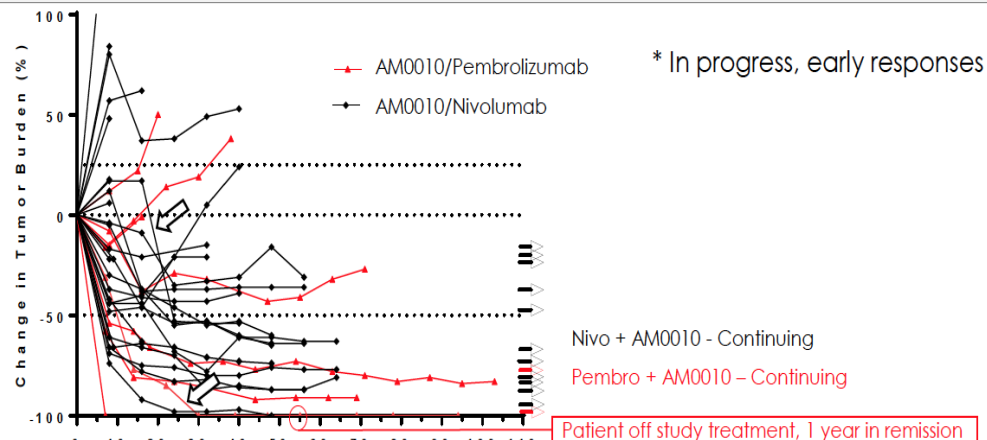
Cytokines: PEG-IL10

AM0010 + Anti-PD-1 in RCC (92% Poor to Intermediate risk)

AM0010 + Anti-PD-1 Shows Significant, Sustained Impact on Tumor Burden

Disease	Treatment Combo (n=Evaluable Patients/ Enrolled Patients)	Prior Therapies Median (Range)	DCR n (%)	ORR (%)	CR (%)	mPFS (Months)	mOS (Months)
RCC	AM0010 (n=16/19)	3 (0-7)	9 (56%)	4 (25%)	–	1.9	9.8 ¹
	AM0010 + pembrolizumab (n=8/8)	2 (0-5)	8 (100%)	4 (50%)	2 ⁴ (25%)	16.7	NR ²
	AM0010 + nivolumab (n=26/29)	1 (1-3)	21 (81%)	11 (42%) ²	NR	NR ³	NR ³
	AM0010 + anti-PD-1 (n=34/37)	2 (0-5)	29 (85%)	15 (44%) ¹	2 ³		
	Anti-PD-1 mAb (nivolumab) (Motzer et al., JCO 2014)	1	57-65%	20-22%	1	2.7-4.2	25

(1) ORR numbers as of 10/29/2017 (2) Study in progress. Numbers as of August 11, 2017. Median follow-up 26.75 months (range 12.3-29.8); (3) Study in progress. Numbers as of August 11, 2017. Median follow-up 11.1 months (range 0.5-17.3); (4) 2 partial responses with 100% reduction in measurable disease; NR not reached



CAR T Cells

Treatment of metastatic renal cell carcinoma (mRCC) with CAIX CAR-engineered T-cells – a completed study overview

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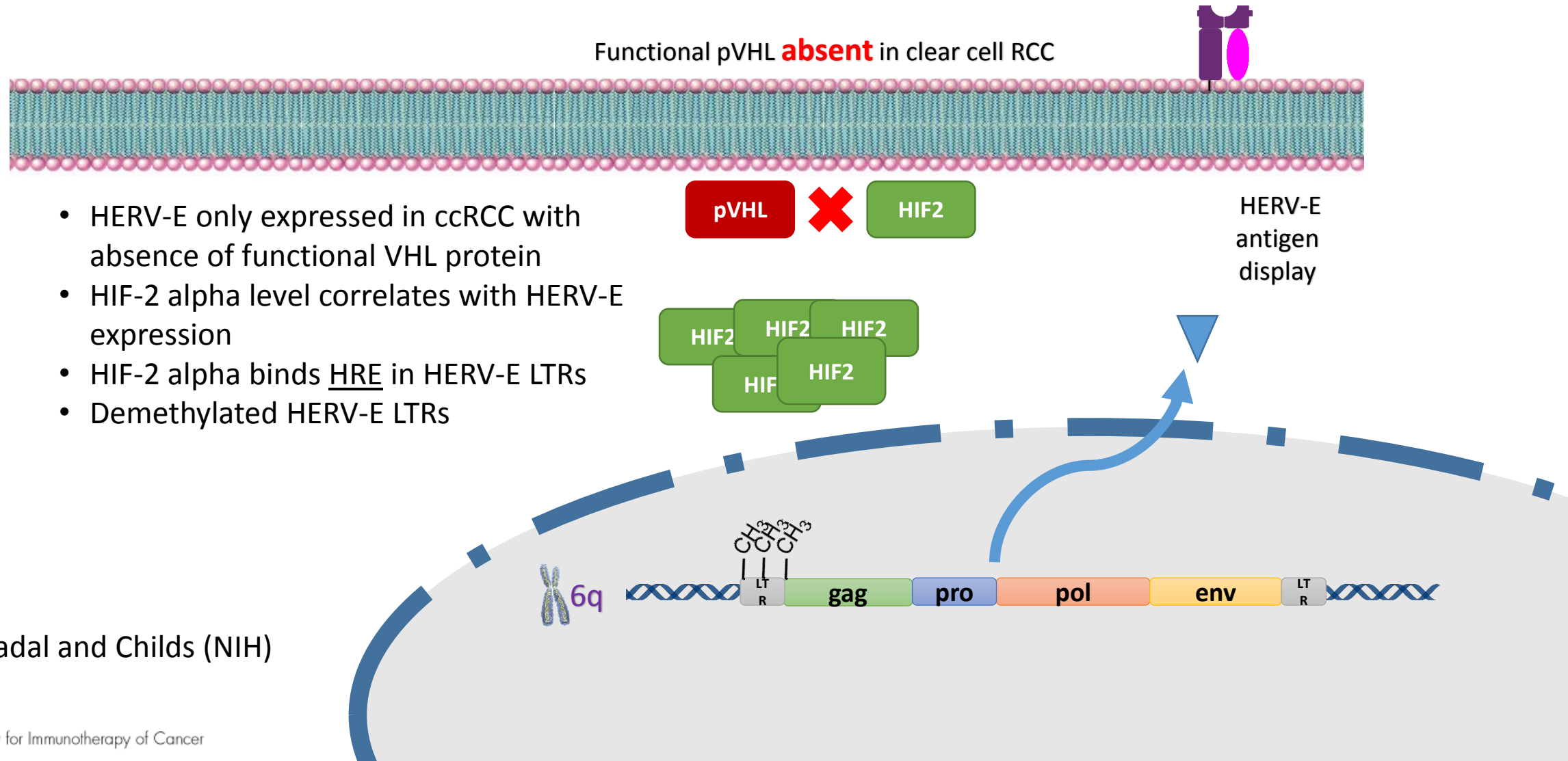
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CAR T Cells

- CAR T-cells did not significantly expand in vivo, nor persist >4 weeks post infusion and showed gradually decreasing CAR gene and surface expression [21,22,28].
- Blood cytokine profiles, in particular IFN- γ and IL-6, mirrored CAR T-cell presence and in vivo T-cell activity [21,24].
- CAR T-cells displayed antigen-specific functions [39].
- Patients presented with dose-limiting elevations of liver enzymes in blood highly likely as a consequence of specific recognition of CAIX on lining cells of the bile ducts by CAR T-cells [3,24].
- Blocking CAR by parental mAb (G250) infusion decreased liver enzyme values in blood [24].
- CAR T-cells induced both humoral and cellular immune responses in patients directed against murine Fv domains, and which preceded loss of CAR T-cells [28].

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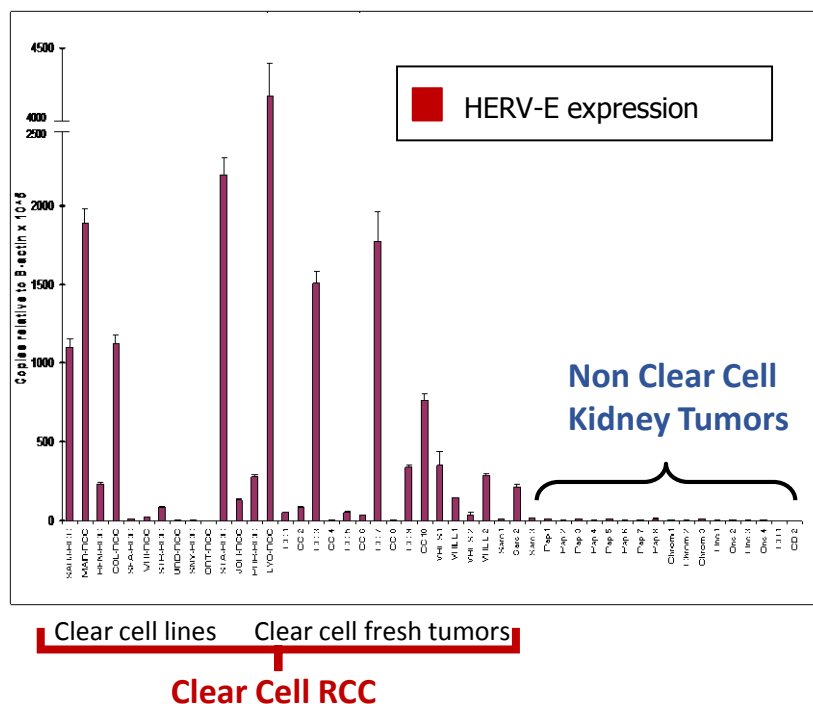
Regulation RCC HERV-E expression in ccRCC



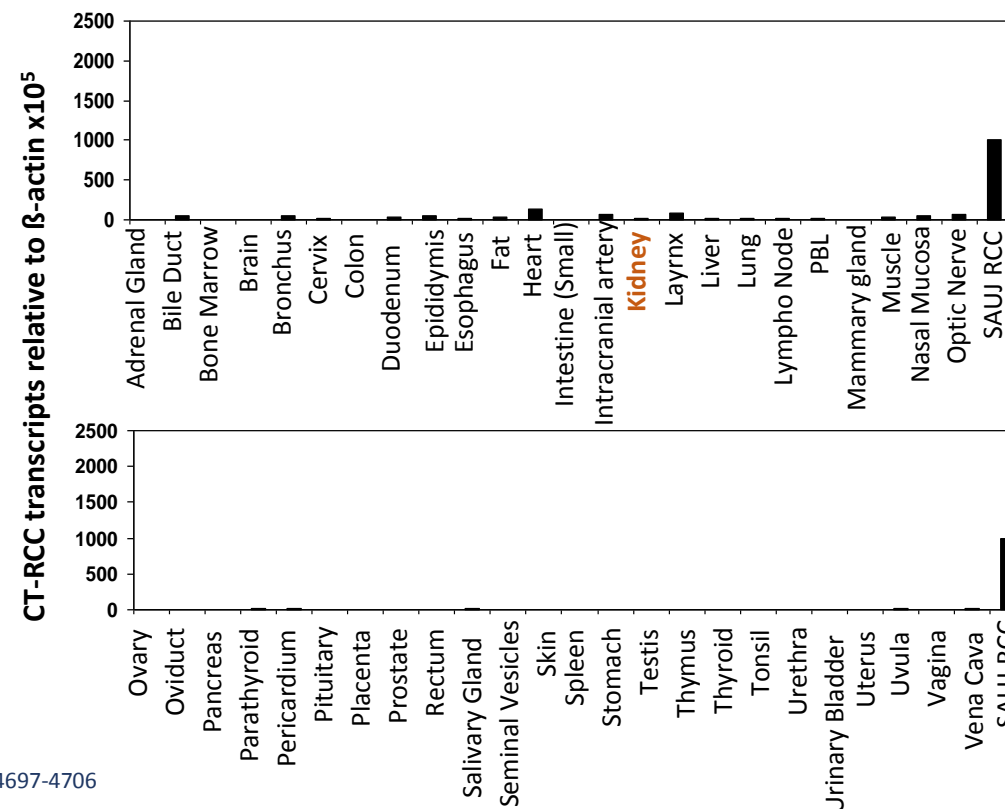
Drs Nadal and Childs (NIH)

CT-RCC HERV-E expression is
 restricted to the clear cell histology

No CT-RCC HERV-E expression in
 Normal Tissues



Cherkasova et al. *Oncogene* 2011; 30:4697-4706





→ Apheresis → *In vitro* Generation
HERV-E TCR T-cells → Cryopreserve Cells at
specified dose



Investigational Plan

HERV-E TCR transduced T-cells

Lymphodepleting chemotherapy:

C: Cyclophosphamide 1000 mg/m²/day

I.V.

F: Fludarabine 30 mg/m²/day I.V.

IL-2: 2,000,000 IU/m² I.V. q12h x 14 doses

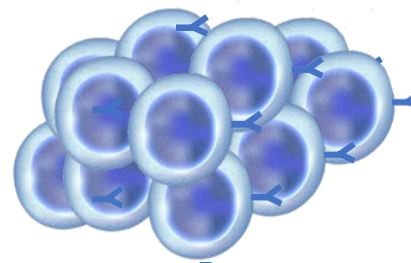


National Heart, Lung,
and Blood Institute

C+F

F

F



D0

IL-2

D+1

D+7

D+14

D+21

**Tumor
Assessment**



Thank you !
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