Potent anti-tumor therapies based on OX40 engagement

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Biological role of OX40-OX40L interaction in T-Cell function



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OX40 engagement as an effective tumor immunotherapy



OX40 engagement as a monotherapy ineffective treating established poorly immunogenic tumors such as B16 melanoma

Combining chemotherapy (cyclophosphamide) and OX40 engagement regresses established B16 tumors



7 day old tumors

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OX86 is an OX40 agonist Ab

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Problem: CTX and OX86 can cure small tumors only

Adoptive T cell transfer of <u>CD4+ T cells</u> as a viable anti-tumor therapy



Melanoma-specifc CD4+ T cells significantly enhances the potency of CTX + OX86 combination therapy

21 day old tumor



*Trp1 CD4+ T cells are purified from a TCR transgenic mouse (Muranski, Blood 2008)

Trp1 cells synergize with OX86 and CTX to promote very large tumor regression



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CTX and OX86 upregulate cytolytic granules on CD4+ T cells promoting tumoricidal function



Sorted Trp1 cells from spleen of treated mice



OX40 engagement promote cytotoxicity of CD4+ T cells phenotype by upregulating Eomes









Eomes expression is partially necessary for the efficacy of the triple combination therapy



Triple combination therapy eradicate large established tumors: Spontaneous melanoma model (TG3)



Triple combination therapy promotes bystander tumour killing of antigen loss variants



B78H1 is a B16 variant that does NOT express Trp1

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Unusual immune-related adverse events of the triple combination therapy



Autoimmune depigmentation is typical of anti-melanoma immune therapies

CTX + IgG + Trp1 cells



CTX + OX86 + Trp1 cells



Swelling and destruction of tissues infiltrated with melanocytes such as the ears, tail, and snout (non hairy skin) ~ **3 weeks** after treatment Thymic involution

Ear thickness as a quantifiable model for immune-related adverse events







Preferential induction of irAE by anti-OX40 in combination therapy



Trp1 from ear pinnae secrete Th1 and Th2 but not Th17 cytokines upon restimulation

Ear of treated mice





Kinetics of Trp1 cells infiltration tested by Trp1-Luciferace in vivo imaging does not correlate with irEA onset



Late depletion of Trp1 cells does not affect irAE or anti-tumor immunity







Progressive infiltration of <u>neutrophils</u> in the ear pinnae proceeds Trp1 decline



Innate cells (neutrophil) progressively infiltrate the ear pinnae



Progressive neutrophil degranulation in the ear pinnae



Are neutrophils necessary for Immune related adverse events?





Direct correlation between ear phenotype and anti-tumor effects revealed similar mechanism



Antigen loss variant chimeric tumors is a more stringent model



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Neutrophils depletion prevents elimination of antigen loss variant chimeric tumors



Trp1 Trp1+ Trp1 Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1 Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1 Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1 Trp1+

Tissue with melanocytes







Teff (Eomesodermin) Th1 and Th2 cytokines

Tregs

Tumor Trp1 Trp1+ Trp1 Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1 Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1+ Trp1 Trp1+

Tissue with melanocytes











Innate cells (Neutrophils)

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