Clinical Perspectives-Tailoring Immunotherapy To The Patient

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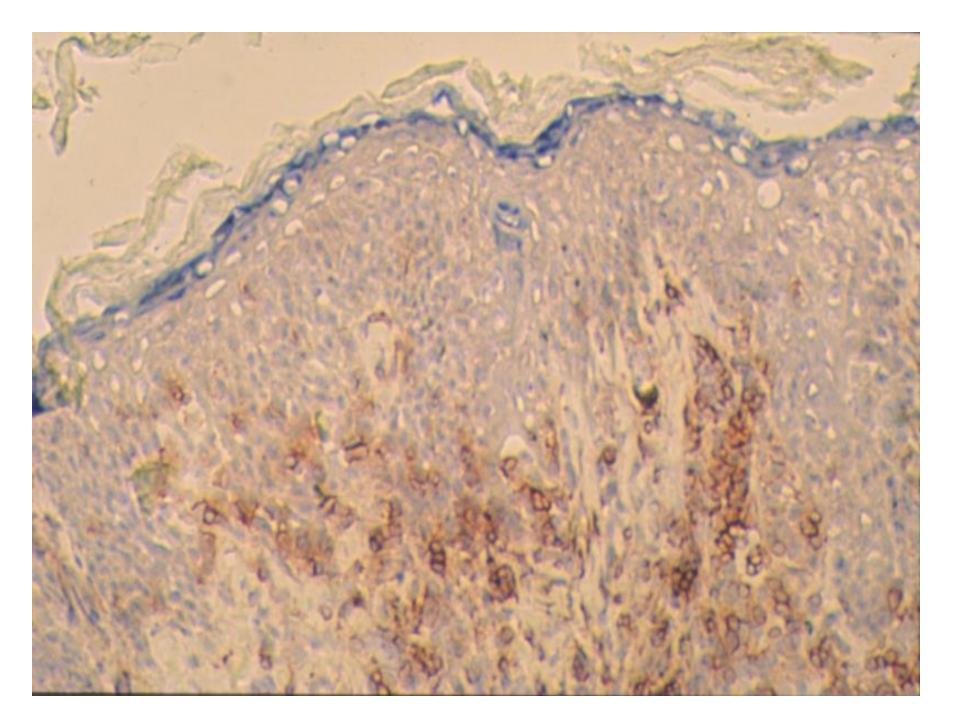
Clinical Perspectives In Immunotherapy

• Where we are up to

• Current limitations-What we need to do

• Handling Side Effects





What we have learnt about immunotherapy over the past 5 years

Inhibition of Physiologic Checkpoints is more effective than stimulation of the immune system by vaccines or cytokines

Recapitulating the Current Theories Underpinning anti Checkpoint Immunotherapy

The Ig Super Family of Co-stimulators and Checkpoint inhibitors

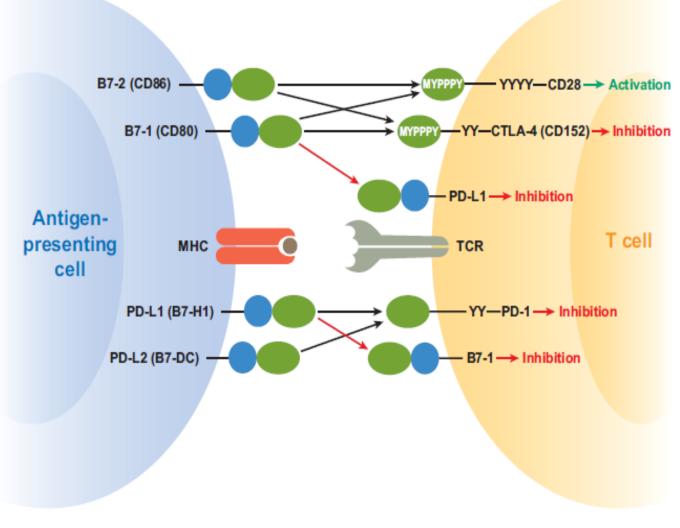
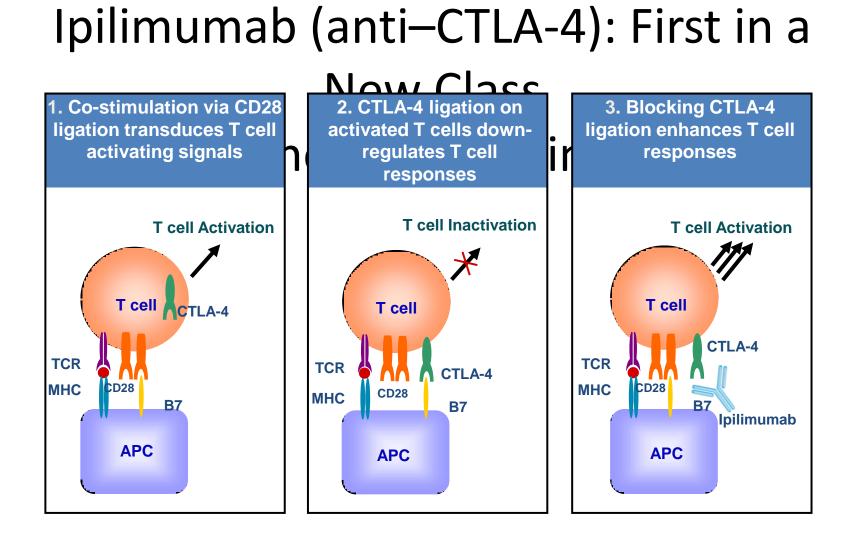


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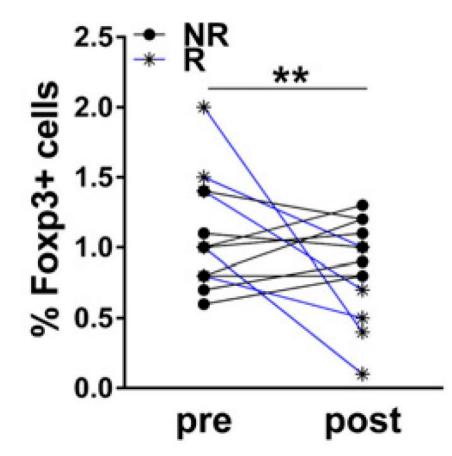
Arlene Sharp et al 2008



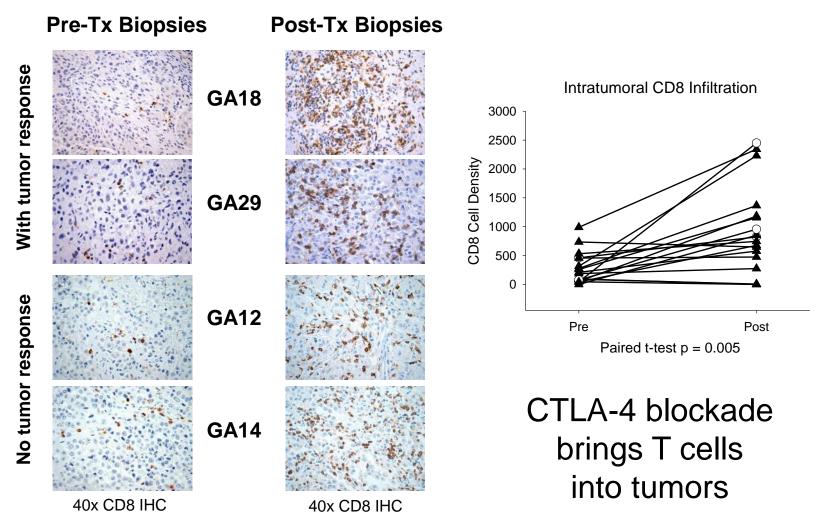
Ipilimumab stimulates the immune system to destroy melanoma cells

APC, antigen-presenting cell; CTL-A, cytotoxic T-lymphocyte antigen-4; MHC, major histocompatibility complex; TCR, T-cell receptor. Adapted from Tarhini A, et al. *Cancer Biotherapy and Radiopharmaceuticlals.* 2010;25(6):601-613.

Ipilimumab Reduces Tregs in Responding Patients



Increase in TILs in Most Patients Treated with Anti-CTLA-4 (tremelimumab) Regardless of Tumor Response



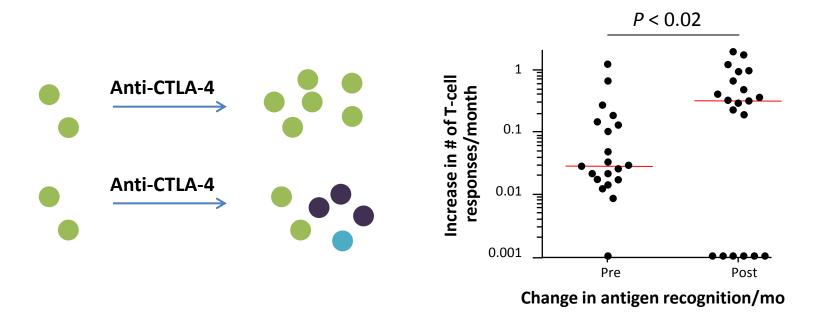
Huang RR et al. Clin Cancer Res. 2011;17(12):4101-4109.

CTLA-4 Blockade Diversifies Peripheral T-cell Responses Without Expanding Pre-existing Ones

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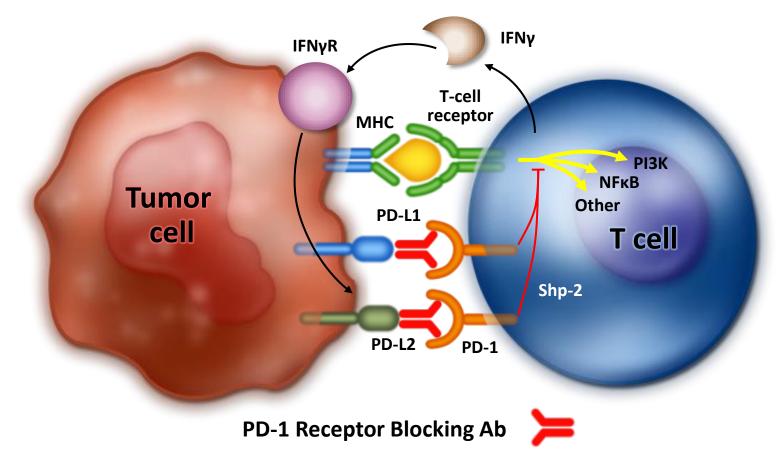
Anti–CTLA-4 therapy broadens the melanoma-reactive CD8⁺ T cell response

Pia Kvistborg,¹* Daisy Philips,¹ Sander Kelderman,¹ Lois Hageman,¹ Christian Ottensmeier,² Deborah Joseph-Pietras,² Marij J. P. Welters,³ Sjoerd van der Burg,³ Ellen Kapiteijn,³ Olivier Michielin,⁴ Emanuela Romano,⁴ Carsten Linnemann,¹ Daniel Speiser,⁴ Christian Blank,¹ John B. Haanen,^{1†} Ton N. Schumacher¹*[†]



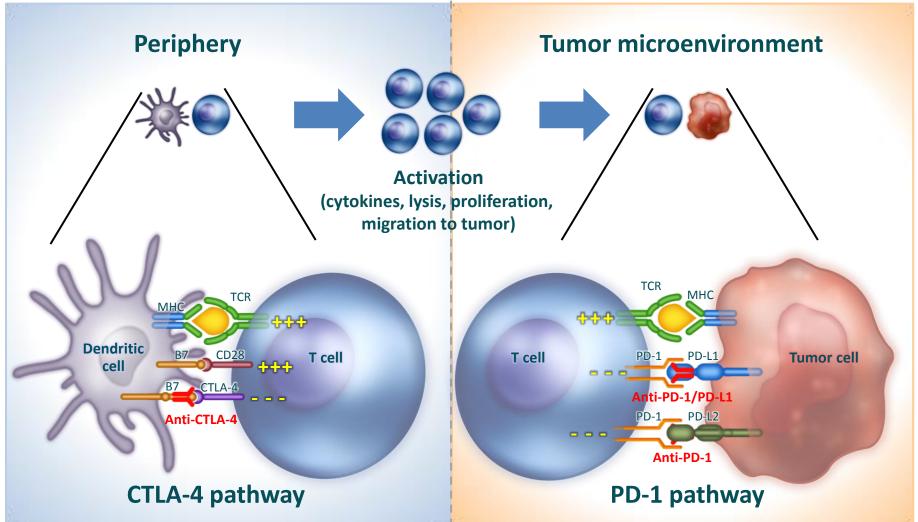
Anti-PD-1 Mechanism of Action

Overcoming Adaptive Immune Resistance



Pardoll DM. Nat Rev Cancer. 2012;12(4):252-64. Ribas A. Cancer Discov. 2015;5(9):915-919.

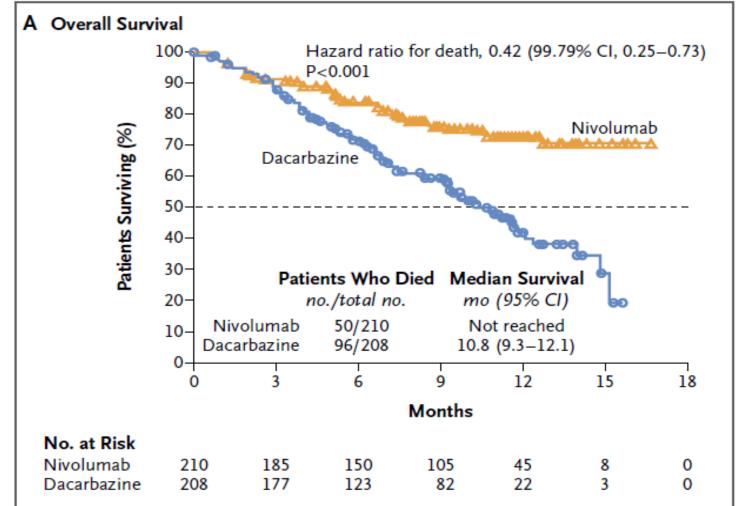
Combining Two Distinct Pathways:



Wolchok J et al. J Clin Oncol. 2013;31(15 suppl):abstract 9012.

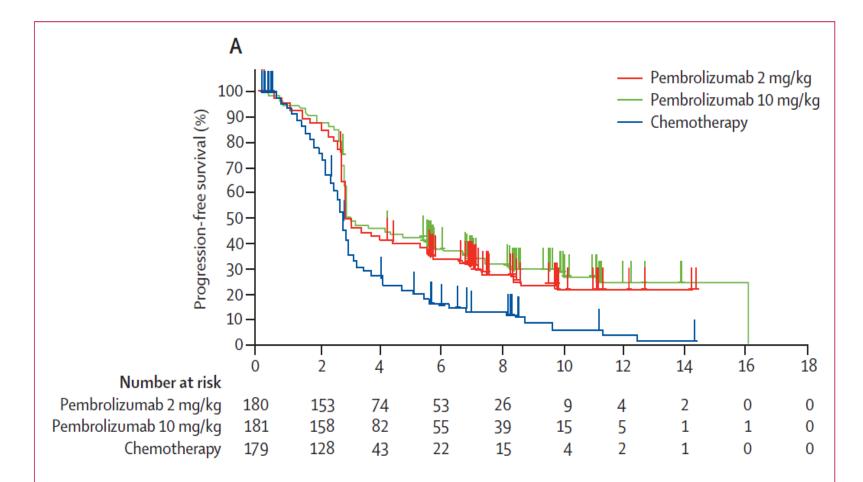
These theories have served us well!

Nivolumab Anti PD1 is better than DTIC in first line therapy of melanoma



Robert et al NEJM 2015

Pembrolizumab Anti PD1 is better than chemotherapy in Second Line Therapy (Merck 002 trial)



Ribas et al. Lancet Oncology 2015

B Overall Survival Pembrolizumab, Q3W 90-Pembrolizumab, Q2W 80-70-Overall Survival (%) 60-50-Ipilimumab 40-30-20-10-0+ ò ż Month No. at Risk Pembrolizumab, Q2W Pembrolizumab, Q3W Ipilimumab

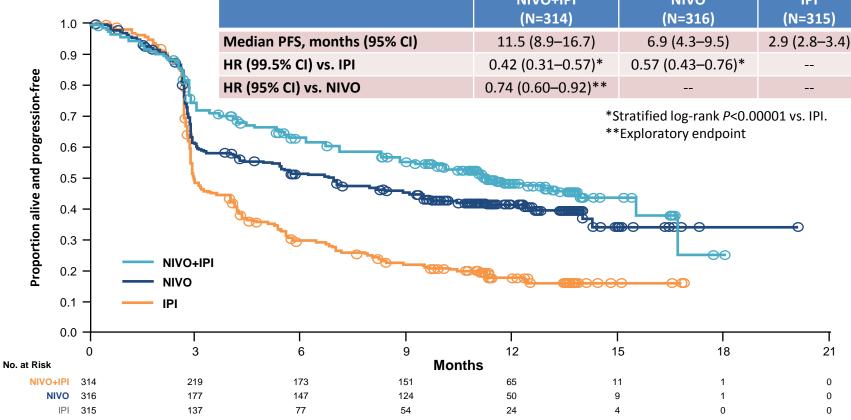
Anti PD1 is better than Ipilimumab in Treating Metastatic Melanoma

Figure 1. Kaplan–Meier Estimates of Progression-free and Overall Survival.

Shown are rates of progression-free survival as of September 3, 2014 (Panel A), and overall survival as of March 3, 2015 (Panel B), in the intention-to-treat population among patients receiving pembrolizumab every 2 weeks (Q2W) or every 3 weeks (Q3W) or ipilimumab.

Combinations of Nivolumab and Ipilimumab appear more effective than either alone

CheckMate 067: PFS (Co-Primary Endpoint)



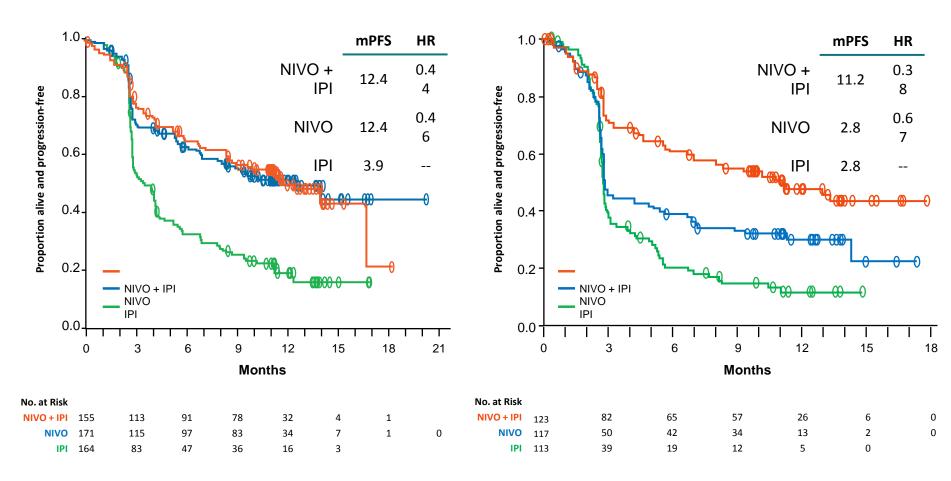
Both NIVO+IPI and NIVO alone showed a significantly greater PFS than IPI alone

Larkin J et al. Oral presentation at ECC 2015. Abstract 3303.

PFS by PD-L1 Expression Level (1%)

PD-L1 ≥1%*

PD-L1 <1%*



*Per validated PD-L1 immunohistochemical assay based on PD-L1 staining of tumor cells in a section of at least 100 evaluable tumor cells.

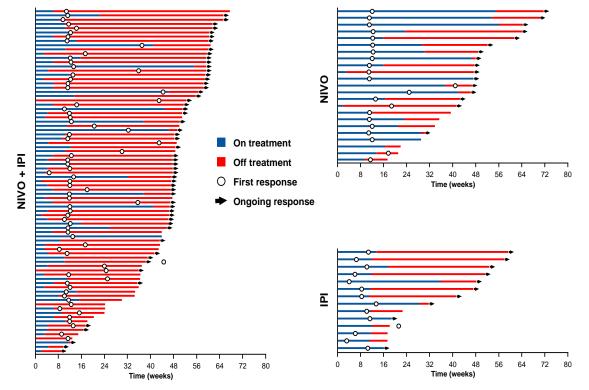
CheckMate 067: ORR in Patient

	ORR (Patents)	bgroups	Unweighted ORR Difference vs Ipilimumab (95% CI)	
Total population	57.6% (314) 43.7% (316)		38.6% (31.3-45.2) 24.6% (17.5-31.4)	
BRAF				
Wild type	53.3% (212) 46.8% (218)	- 	35.6% (26.8-43.6) 29.1% (20.5-37.1)	
Mutant	66.7% (102) 36.7% (98)	→ →	44.7% (31.5-55.6) 14.7% (2.0-26.8)	
M stage				
M1c	51.4% (185) 38.9% (185)	_ 	37.1% (27.9-45.4) 24.6% (15.8-33.0)	
Baseline LDH				
≤ULN	65.3% (199)	— —	40.6% (31.1-48.9)	
-	51.5% (196)		26.8% (17.3-35.6)	
>ULN	44.7% (114) 30.4% (112)		35.2% (24.1-45.2) 20.8% (10.5-30.7)	
	37.8% (37)		37.8% (20.0-53.9)	
>2× ULN	21.6% (37)		21.6% (6.3-37.2)	
Age, years				
≥65 and <75	57.4% (94) 48.1% (79)		39.5% (25.8-51.0) 30.1% (16.0-42.8)	
≥75	54.3% (35) 43.6% (39)		27.0% (5.3-45.8) 16.3% (–4.1-35.2)	
PD-L1 expression level				
<5%	54.8% (210) 41.3% (208)	- -	36.9% (28.0-45.0) 23.5% (14.8-31.8)	
≥5%	72.1% (68) 57.5% (80)		50.7% (35.0-62.8) 36.2% (21.0-49.0)	
		70 50 30 10 0 -10		
Nivolumab or nivolumab + ipilimumab better + pilimumab better				

Larkin J et al. Oral presentation at ECC 2015. Abstract 3303.

CheckMate 067: Durability of Response in Patients Who Discontinued Due to Toxicity

68% (81/120), 85% (23/27), and 30% (14/47) of patients who discontinued NIVO+IPI, NIVO, and IPI, respectively, due to drug-related toxicity, experienced a complete or partial response



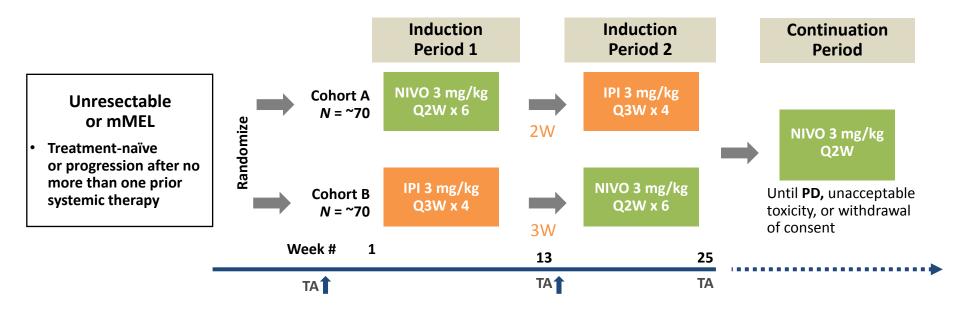
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How Do We Progress From Here?

Should we sequence treatment with the agents to reduce toxicity?

064 study. Randomized, Open-Label, Phase 2 Study Evaluating the Safety and Efficacy of NIVO and IPI Sequentially with Planned Switch

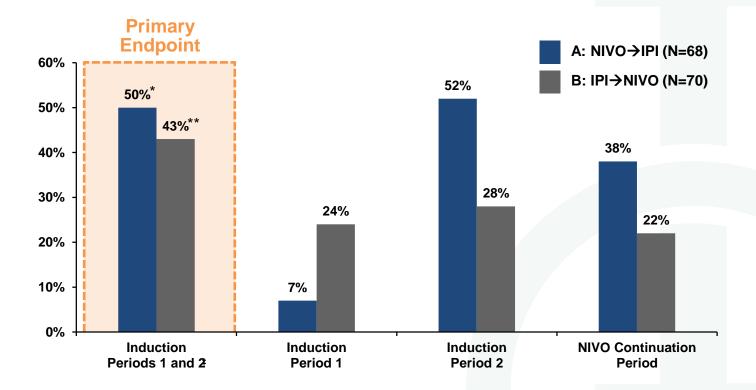


Primary endpoint: Incidence of treatment-related Grade 3-5 AEs during induction periods in both cohorts
 Secondary endpoints: Confirmed ORR at Week 25* and progression rates (Week 13 and Week 25)
 Exploratory endpoints: Safety and tolerability during the different treatment periods, pharmacodynamic immune biomarkers, OS

TA = tumor assessment; = biopsy timepoint; **PD** = progressive disease.

By modifed RECIST v 1.1. Week 25 scan reflected back to baseline for determining response, with confirmation at Week 33.
 Database lock; May 22, 2015.
 Hodi FS et al. Oral presentation at ECC 2015. 23LBA.

CheckMate 064: Treatment-Related Grade 3-4 AEs



• There were no study drug-related deaths in either cohort

• Treatment-related Grade 3-4 AEs leading to discontinuation Cohort A: 24%, Cohort B: 27%

*95% CI: 37.6%–62.4%. **95% CI: 31.1%–55.3%. [†]AEs are counted only once for both induction periods. Hodi FS et al. Oral presentation at ECC 2015. 23LBA.

Appears no benefit in sequencing Nivolumab and Ipilimumab? CheckMate 064¹ (N=945)

(N = 138)

	NIVO with planned switch to IPI (n = 68)	IPI with planned switch to NIVO (n = 70)	NIVO + IPI (n = 314)
ORR, %	41.2	20	58
Treatment-related Grade 3-4 AEs, %	50	43	55

1. Hodi FS et al. Oral presentation at ECC 2015. 23LBA. 2. Larkin J et al. Oral presentation at ECC 2015. Abstract 3303.

CURRENT LIMITATIONS OF ANTI PD1/PD-L1 TREATMENTS -The Task ahead

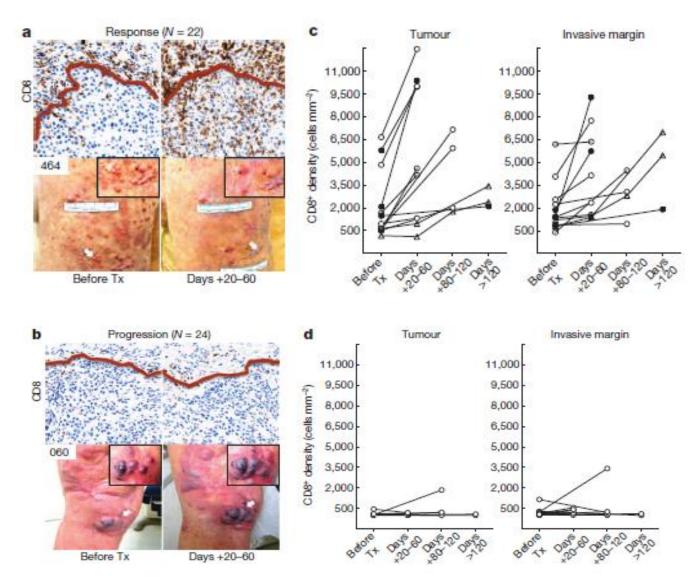
•30% do not respond , 20% SD only

Most responses are partial and not complete

•Relapse rates at 2 years ~40 %

Responses to checkpoint inhibitors depend on TILs

Responses to anti PD1 depends on T cells Tumeh et al Nature 2014

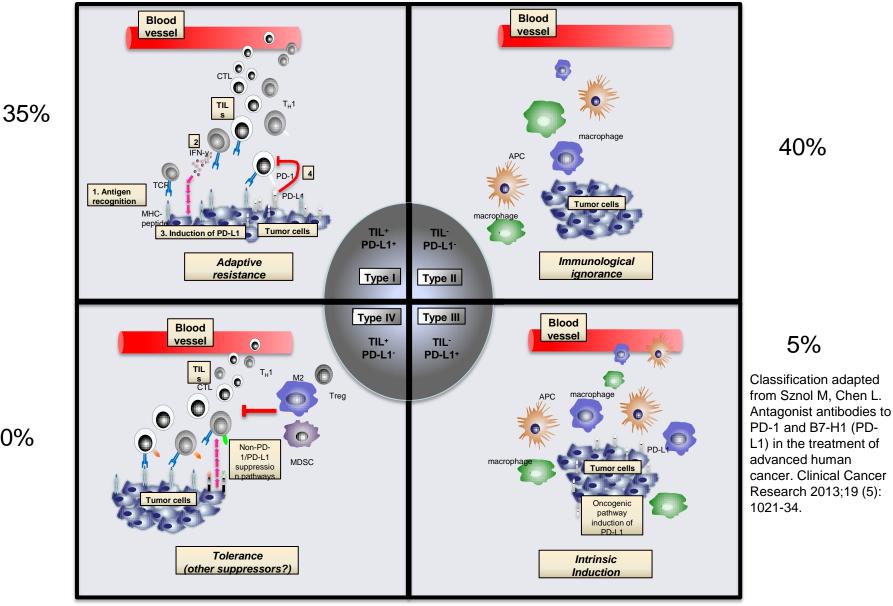


Can we use Immuno-profiling to target therapies to individual patients

FOUR GROUPS OF MELANOMA PATIENTS BASED ON TIL and PD-L1 EXPRESSION

- Group 1. PD-L1+, TIL + ~30% (Type 1)
- Group 2 PD-L1-,TIL + ~20% (Type4)
- Group 3 PD-L1+, TIL- ~5% (Type 3)
- Group 4 PD-L1-,TIL- ~42% Type 2)
- Jason Madore et al Pigment cell and Mel Res

Classification of cancers depending on T cell infiltration and PD-L1 expression



20%

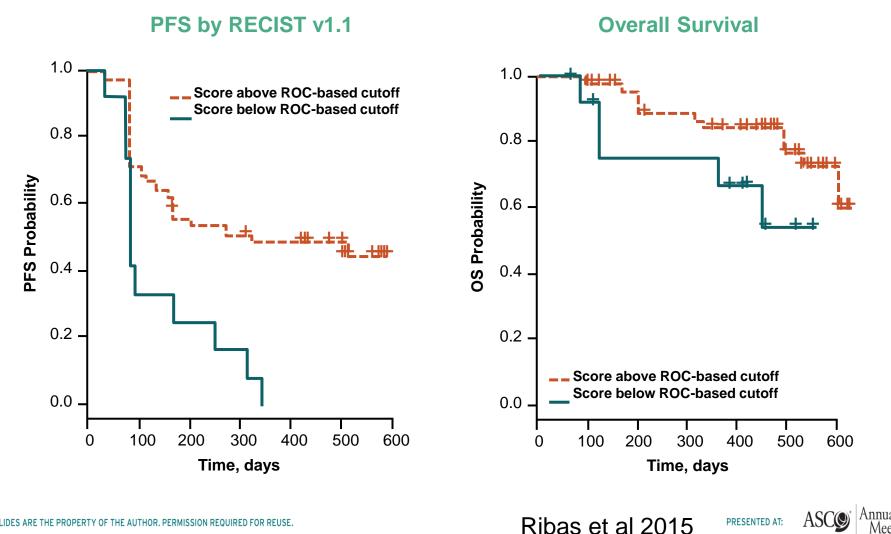
Teng MW, Ngiow SF, Ribas A, Smyth MJ. Cancer Res 2015

Taube et al

Future Immuno-Profiling

- Can we make it more mechanistic?
- ?Whole genome sequencing combined with Nano string profiling of the tumor.eg mutation rate and sites
- ? Multi parameter profiling of lymphocytes in the circulation for adhesion factors, chemokine receptors ,subsets etc(Fazekas et al)

PFS and OS in Patients With Melanoma and IFNy Signature Score Above and Below the Cutoff



Focusing On Type 2. What Induces T Cell Responses into Tumors?

- Type 1 Interferon gene signatures associated with TILs (Gajewski and Colleagues)
- May depend on activation of STING pathway in CD103 DC and cross presentation in LNs
- Practical application in combination with Oncolytic viruses

or radiotherapy

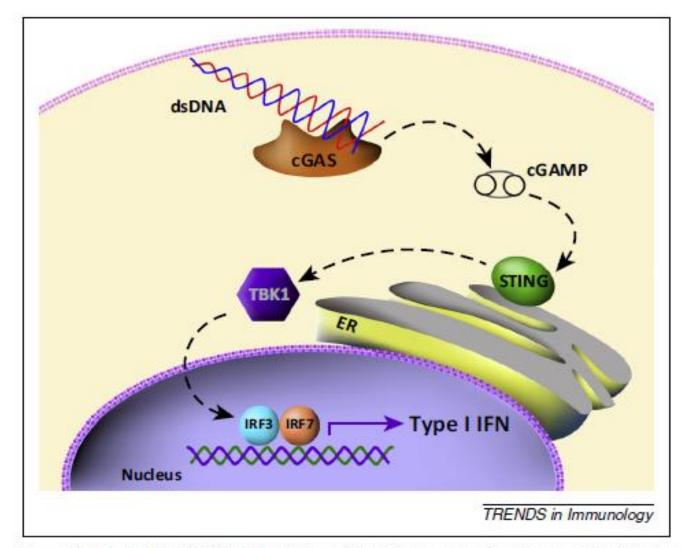


Figure 1. Model for STING (stimulator of interferon genes) pathway activation by cytosolic double-stranded (ds) DNA. The appearance of DNA in the cytosol

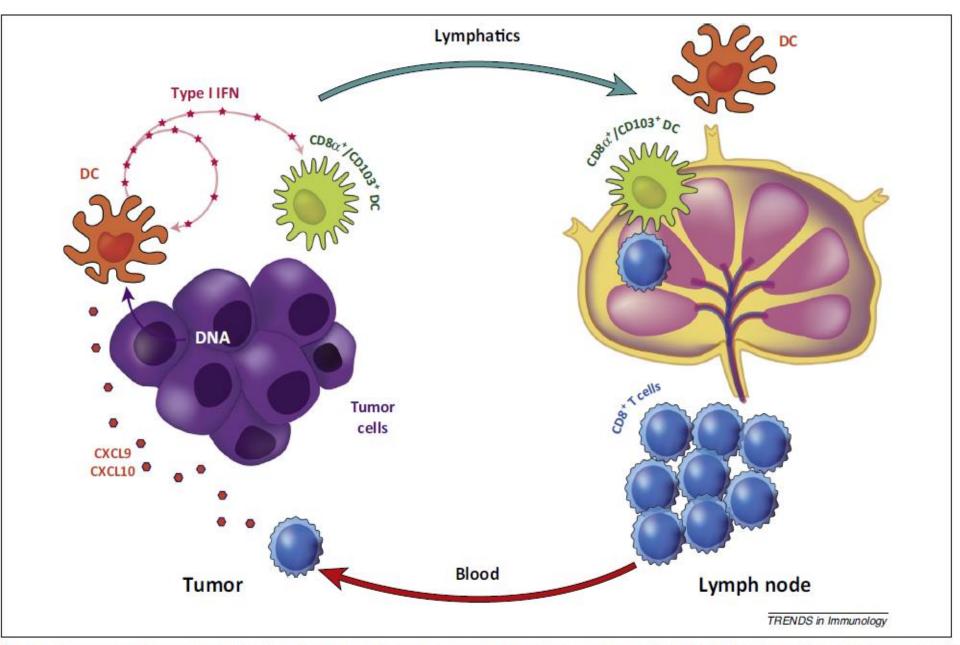


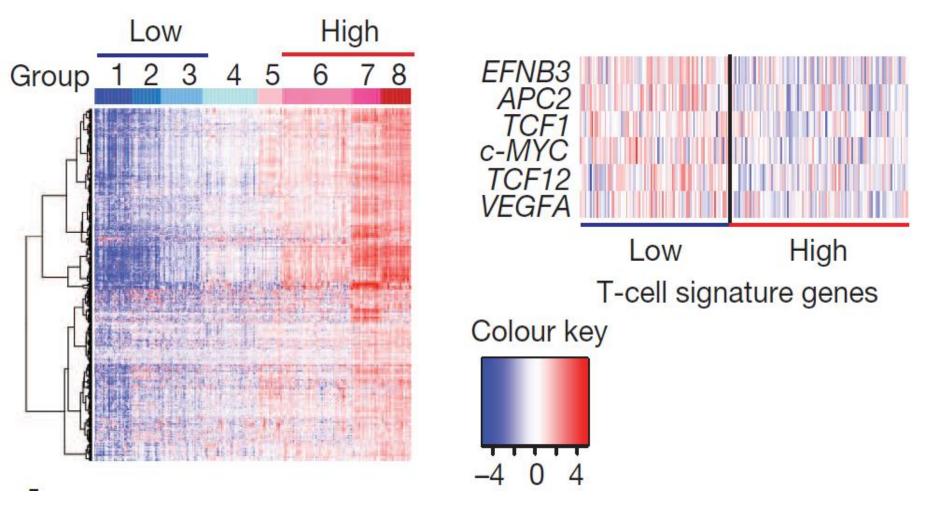
Figure 2. Working model for innate immune sensing leading to spontaneous antitumor T cell responses in vivo. Tumor-derived DNA, presumably generated during tumor

Are Type 2 (TIL-,PD-L1-)responses due to Inhibitory cytokines?

- Melanoma can release high levels of inhibitory cytokines
- Beta Catenin pathway in melanoma possibly one inhibitory factor(Spranger etal Nature 2015)

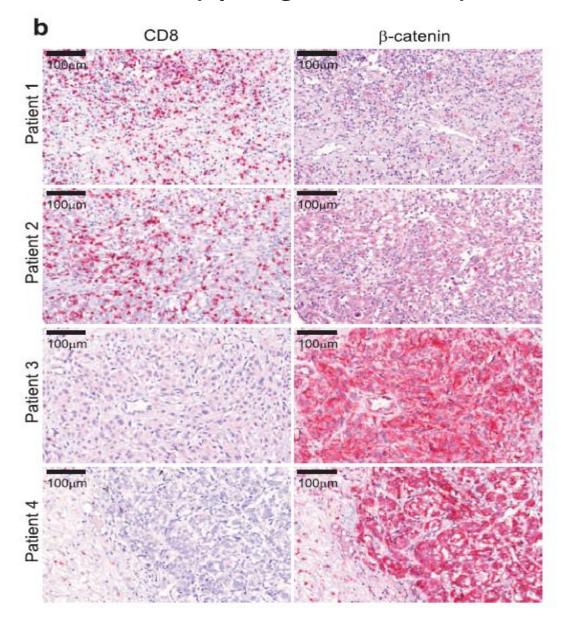


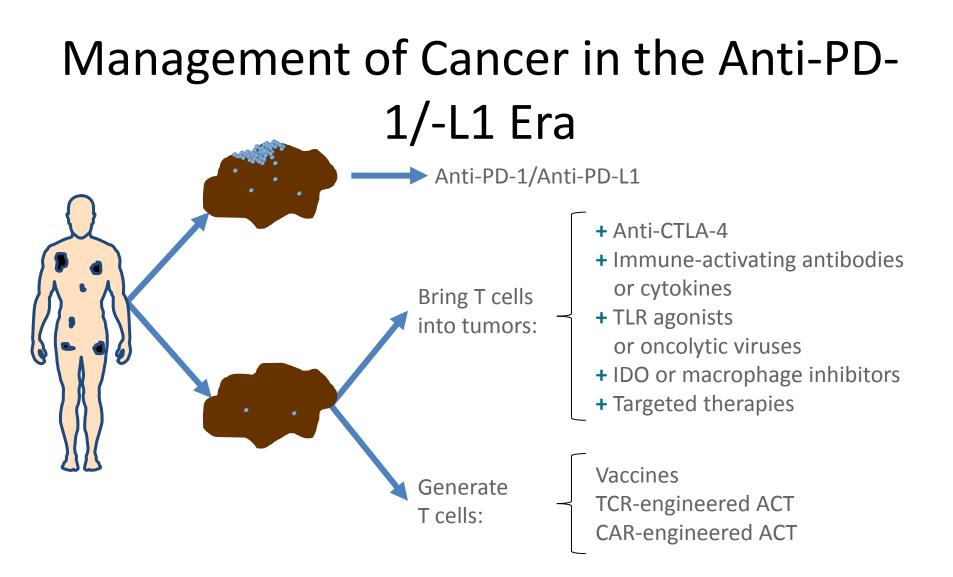
Gajewski-TCGA data mining shows low TILs in high Beta Catenin melanoma



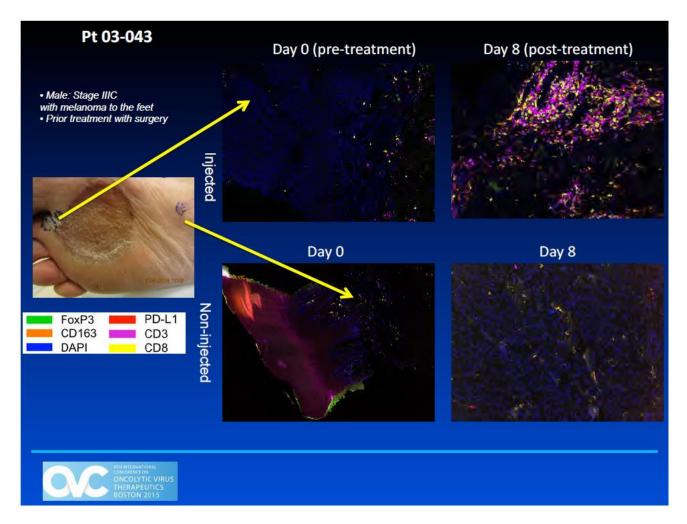
Spranger et al 2015

B Catenin Levels Inversely related to TIL in melanoma (Spranger et al 2015)



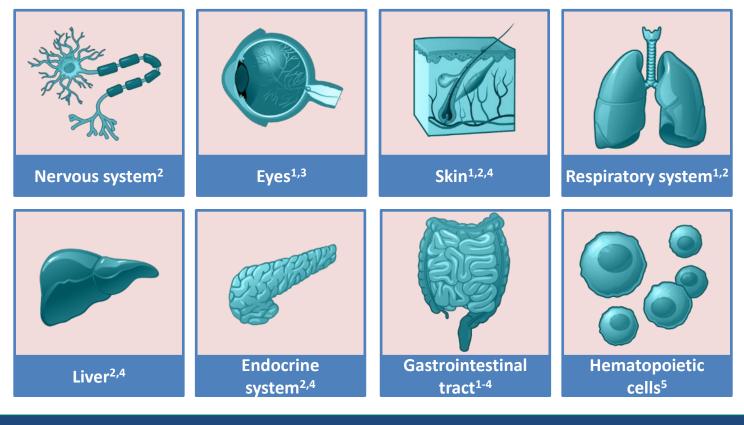


Intralesional Coxackie A21 Increases TILs In Melanoma (Daren Shafren)



What About the Problem of Auto Immune Side Effects

Immune-Mediated Adverse Reactions

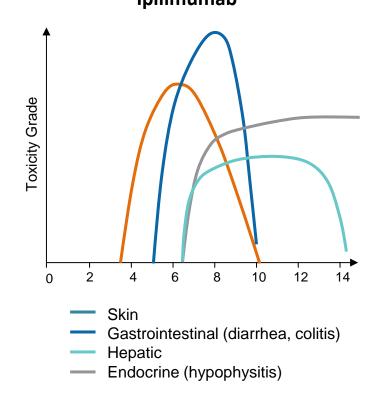


Immune activation, as a result of modulating T-cell activity, may lead to immune-mediated adverse reactions that affect certain organ systems¹

1. Amos SM et al. *Blood*. 2011;118(3):499-509. 2. Chow LQ. *Am Soc Clin Oncol Educ Book*. 2013:280-285. 3. Robinson MR et al. *J Immunother*. 2004;27(6):478-479. 4. Phan GQ et al. *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A*. 2003;100(14):8372-8377. 5. Lin TS et al. *J Clin Oncol*. 2010;28(29):4500-4506.

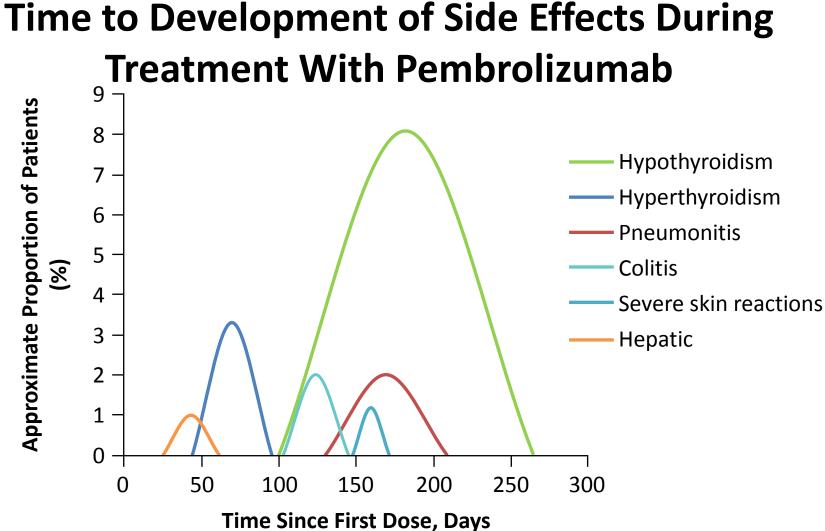
Early Diagnosis and Appropriate Management Are Essential for I-O Therapies

- Frequent monitoring and early recognition¹
- Patient education and assessment for appropriate signs/symptoms^{2,3}
- Most AEs grade 1–2^{1,4-11}
 - In rare cases, AEs can be serious or life-threatening
- imARs are well-characterized, medically manageable, and typically reversible using established algorithms¹²



imAR=immune-mediated adverse reactions.

^{1.} Weber J, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2012;30:2691–2697. 2. Bristol-Myers Squibb. YERVOY (ipilimumab) Immune-related Adverse Reactions (IrAR) Management Guide and online Tool at www.yervoy.co.uk/. 3. Bristol-Myers Squibb. YERVOY (ipilimumab) SmPC. Updated July 2013. http://www.ema.europa.eu. 4. Brahmer *J Semin Oncol.* 2014;41:126–132. 5. Nivolumab investigator brochure Version 12, July 21, 2013. 6. Brahmer J, et al. Poster presented at ASCO 2014. Abstract 8112; 7. Garon E, et al. Poster presented at ASCO 2014. Abstract 8020. 8. Soria J, et al. Presented at ECC 2013. Abstract 3408. 9. Brahmer J, et al. Poster presented at ASCO 2014. Abstract 8021. 10. Gettinger S, et al. Poster presented at ASCO 2014. Abstract 8024. 11. Rizvi N, et al. Poster presented at ASCO 2014. Abstract 8007. 12. Chin K, et al. Poster presented at ESMO 2008. Abstract 87P.



Robert C, et al. Manuscript submitted:

CheckMate 067: Time to Onset of Grade 3–4 **Treatment-Related Select AEs** 5.6(0.1 - 55.0)Skin (n=18) 19.4(1.3 - 50.9)Skin (n=5) 7.4(1.0 - 48.9)Gastrointestinal (n=46) 26.3(13.1 - 57.0)Gastrointestinal (n=7) 12.1 (2.9 – 17.0) Endocrine (n=15) 28.6(19.1 - 38.1)Endocrine (n=2) 7.4 (2.1 – 48.0) Hepatic (n=60) 14.1 (1.9 - 25.1) Hepatic (n=8) 3.7(3.7 - 9.4)Pulmonary (n=3) NIVO+IPI 6.7(6.7 - 6.7)NIVO -О-Pulmonary (n=1) 0 11.3(3.3 - 23.7)Renal (n=6) 50.9 (50.9 - 50.9) Renal (n=1) 0

Majority of Grade 3–4 AEs, with the exception of endocrinopathies, resolved within 4 weeks with the use of immune modulators according to established guidelines

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Circles represent medians; bars signify ranges. Larkin J et al. Oral presentation at ECC 2015. Abstract 3303.

Weeks 0

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CheckMate 067: Safety Summary

Patients Reporting Event, %	NIVO + IPI (N=313)		NIVO (N=313)		IPI (N=311)	
Patients Reporting Event, 70	Any Grade	Grade 3–4	Any Grade	Grade 3–4	Any Grade	Grade 3–4
Treatment-related adverse event (AE)	95.5	55.0	82.1	16.3	86.2	27.3
Treatment-related AE leading to discontinuation	36.4	29.4	7.7	5.1	14.8	13.2
Treatment-related death*	0		0.3		0.3	

 67.5% of patients (81/120) who discontinued the NIVO + IPI combination due to treatment-related AEs developed a response

^{*} One reported in the NIVO group (neutropenia) and one in the IPI group (cardiac arrest). Wolchok JD et al. Oral presentation at ASCO 2015. Abstract LBA1.

More Aggressive Algorithms Are Needed For Combination Therapies

Teamwork with other specialist essential!

New Initiatives Needed In Prevention And Management Of Autoimmune side Effects!

- Cortico steroids are a very blunt instrument with their own problems
- Are all the side effects due to deletion or inhibition of T regs?
- ? Prevent IBD with Mabs to alpha 4 Beta 7 Integrins as in ulcerative colitis
- Do T reg subsets change during treatment?
- Are ILC3 cells in the gut deleted?

The Immune Response — Learning to Leave Well Enough Alone

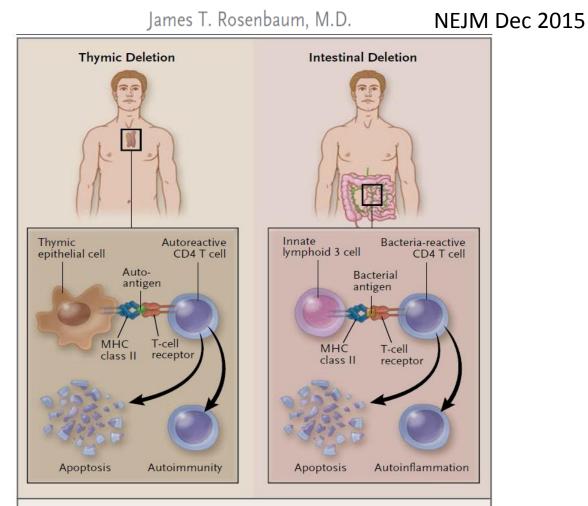


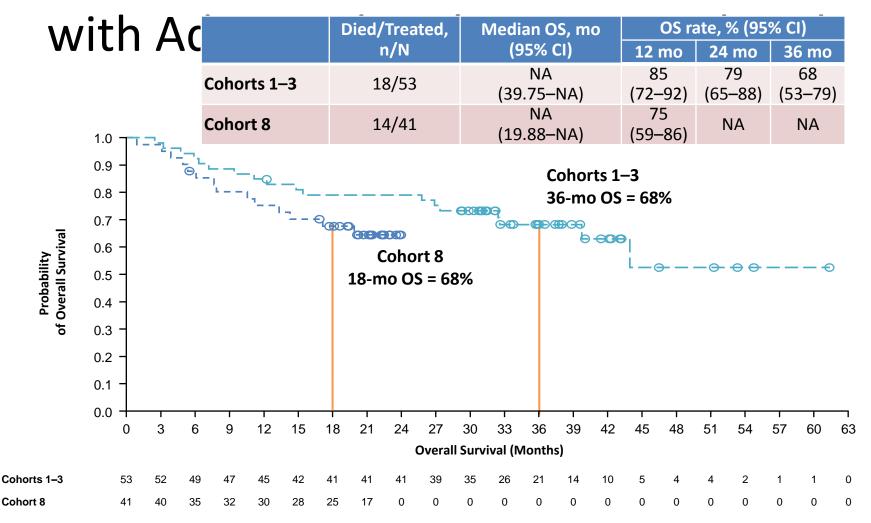
Figure 1. Autoimmunity and Autoinflammation.

The thymus is responsible for deleting autoreactive T cells that have the potential to cause autoimmune disease. Medullary epithelial cells or dendritic cells in the thymus present antigen in association with a cell-surface molecule known as MHC class II. The antigen is recognized by the T-cell receptor. If the recognition is strong, the autoreactive T cell is killed by means of apoptosis. The failure to delete autoreactive cells potentially results in autoimmunity. ILC3 cells (a subset of innate lymphoid cells) in the lamina propria of the intestine or in the mesenteric lymph node perform a

Conclusions

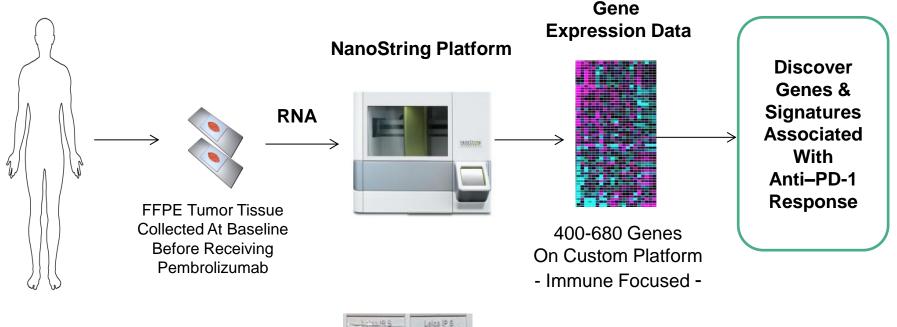
- It is a wonderful story with impressive results
- The science of Oncology is undergoing a rapid switch to incorporate this new modality
- Plenty of scope for new ideas
- Management of Side Effects as part of a team with other specialists essential
- New intiatives needed in management of side effects

Nivolumab plus Ipilimumab in Patients



Sznol M et al. Poster presentation at SMR 2015.

Methods: NanoString Analysis of 19 Biopsies (Discovery Set) and 62 Biopsies (Validation Set) From KEYNOTE-001 (NCT01295827)



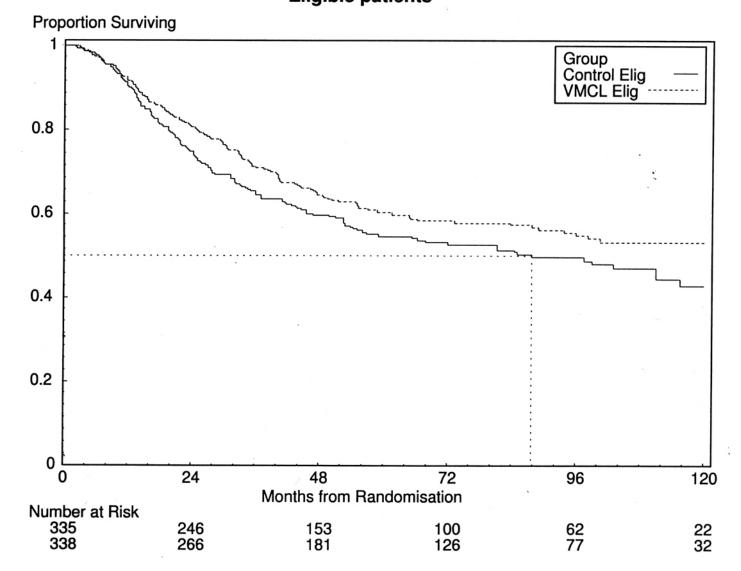


- Most samples yield >20 ng of usable RNA per slide
- 50 ng of RNA required for 1 assay

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IMMUNOTHERAPY WITH VMCL VACCINE

Overall Survival Eligible patients



Management of Immune-Related ARs Associated with Nivolumab Plus

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	GRADE 1*	GRADE 2*	GRADE 3-4*		
erity FCAE v4)	Diarrhea: <4 stools per day over baseline Colitis: Asymptomatic	Diarrhea: 4–6 stools/day over baseline; IV fluids indicated <24 hours; not interfering with ADL	Diarrhea: Grade 3: ≥7 stools/day over baseline; incontinence; IV fluids ≥24 hours; interfering with ADL		
		Colitis: Abdominal pain, blood in stool	Colitis: <i>Grade 3:</i> Severe abdominal pain, medical intervention indicated, peritoneal signs <i>Grade 4:</i> life-threatening, perforation		
ent	Treatment: Continue treatment	Treatment: Withhold treatment until Grade 0-1	Treatment: Permanently discontinue		
	Symptomatic Treatment: Administer	Symptomatic Treatment: Administer	Steroids:		
		Steroids: If symptoms persist >5 days or recur	 1-2 mg/kg/day prednisone equivalents[‡] Gastrointestinal (GI) Tests: Consider lower GI endoscopy 		
		 0.5–1 mg/kg/day prednisone equivalents⁺ 			
	Close monitoring for worsening symptoms	If improved	If symptoms persist >3 to 5 days, or recur after		
Follow-up		Resume treatment	 improvement Add non-corticosteroid immunosuppressive 		
	Educate patient to report worsening immediately	 If steroids have been administered, taper steroids over at least 1 month before resuming treatment 	medication		
	If symptoms worsen or persist				
	 Treat as Grade 2 or 3-4 	If symptoms worsen or persist >3 to 5 days with steroids			
		Treat as Grade 3-4			

- * Grades correspond to those listed in the National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (CTCAE) version 4.0.
- [†] Consider prophylactic antibiotics for opportunistic infections.
- Add prophylactic antibiotics for opportunistic infections.
 ADL=activities of daily living; NCI CTCAE=National Cancer Institute Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events, version 4.0.
 Bristol-Myers Squibb. Immune-Mediated Adverse Reactions Management Guide. Available at: http://www.opdivoyervoyhcp.com/. Accessed December 2, 2015.