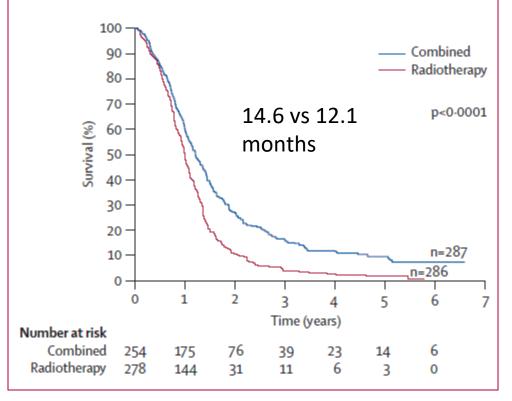
# Immunoterapia del glioblastoma



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## Glioblastoma: the standard



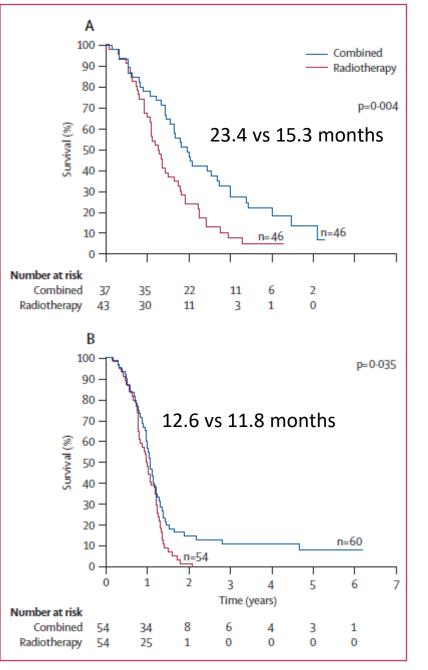
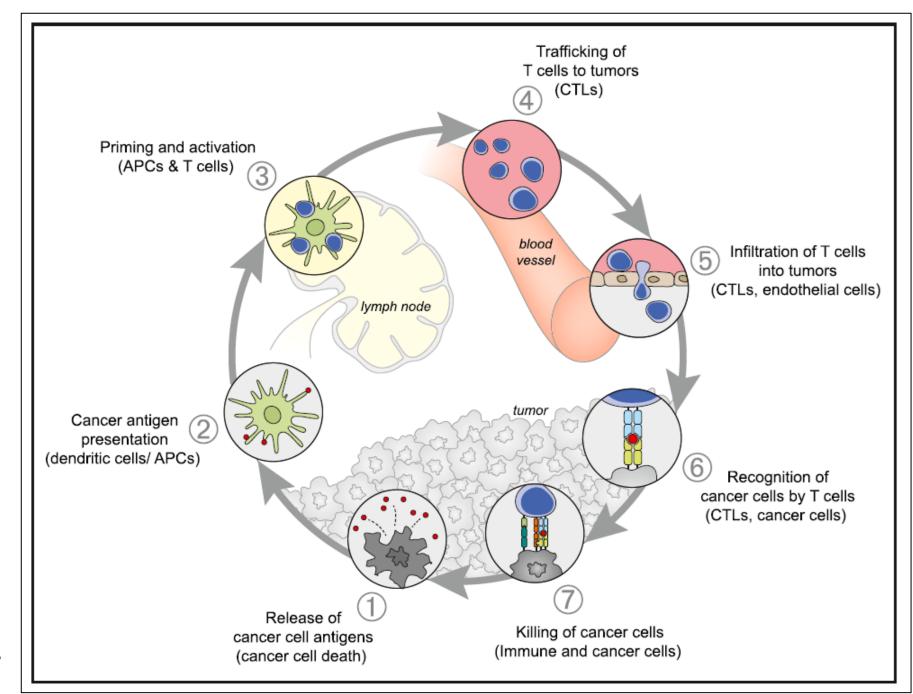


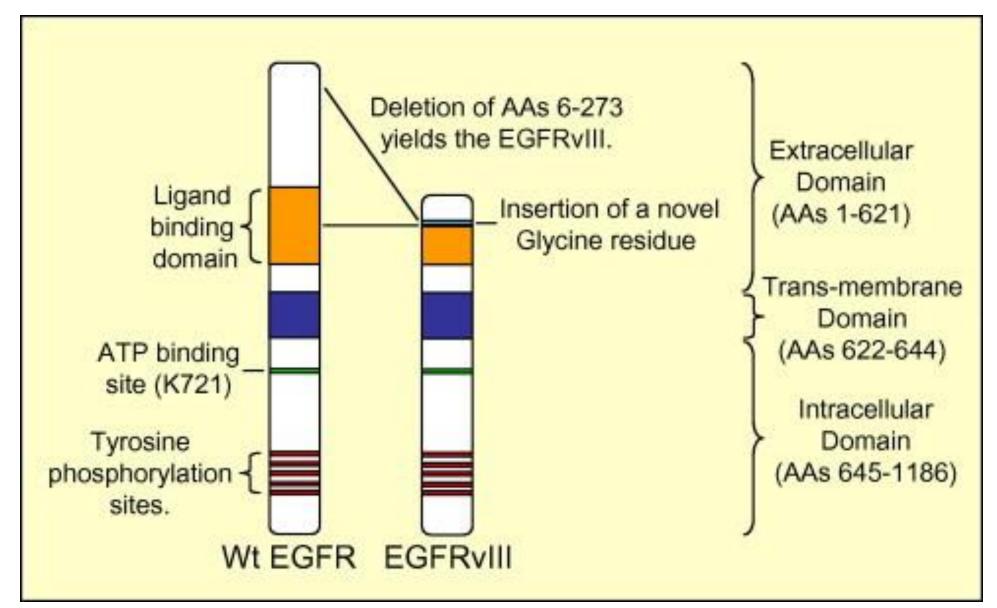
Figure 2: Kaplan-Meier estimates of overall survival by treatment group

Figure 4: Kaplan-Meier estimates of overall survival by MGMT status Patients with methylated MGMT (A). Patients with unmethylated MGMT (B).

## The cancerimmunity cycle



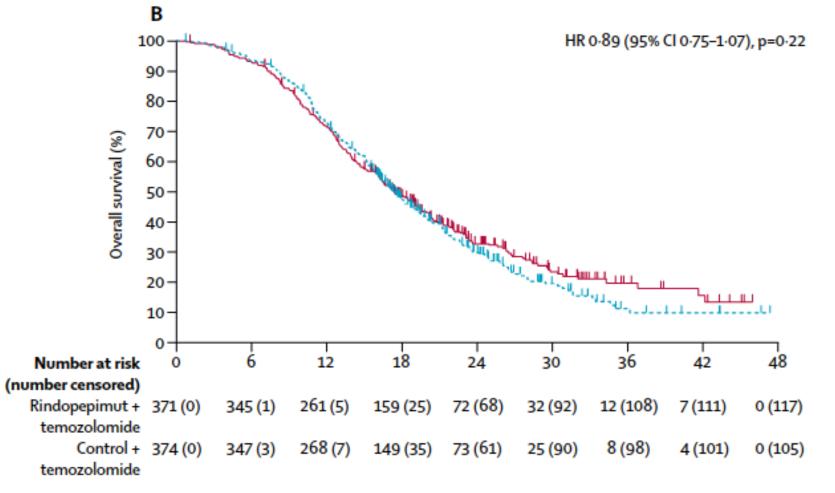
## Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor variant III (EGFRvIII)

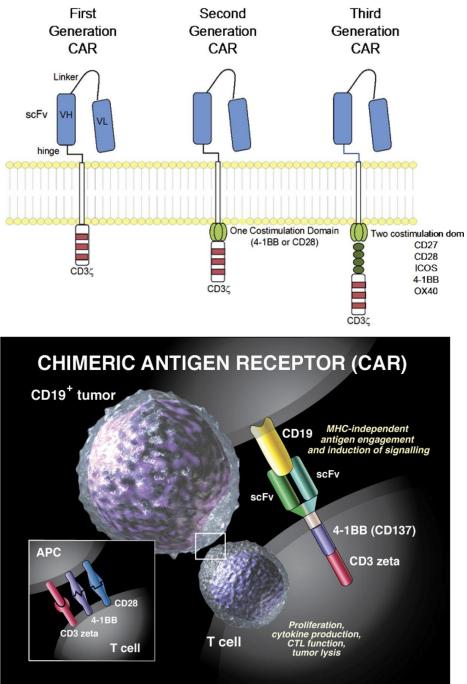


## Rindopepimut with temozolomide for patients with newly diagnosed, EGFRvIII-expressing glioblastoma (ACT IV): a randomised, double-blind, international phase 3 trial

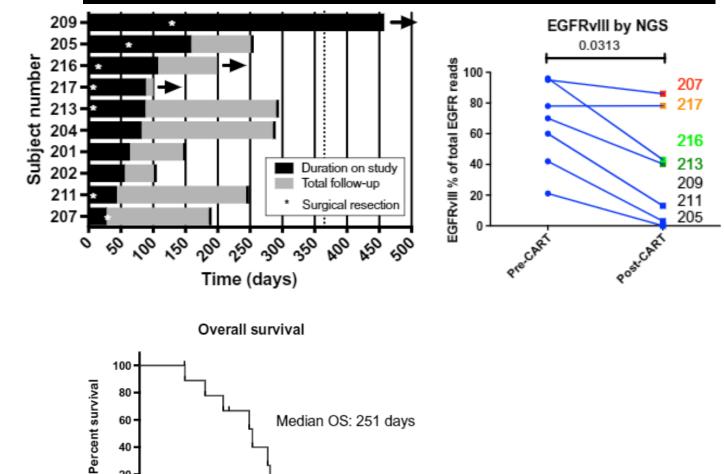


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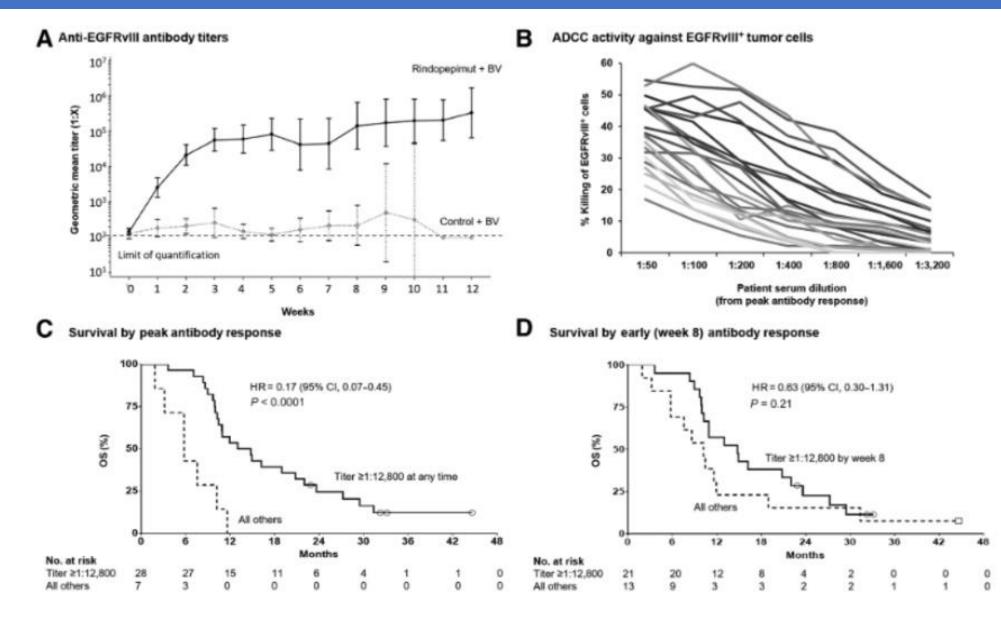


A single dose of peripherally infused EGFRvIII-directed CAR T cells mediates antigen loss and induces adaptive resistance in patients with recurrent glioblastoma (O' Rourke et al, Science Transl Med 2017)



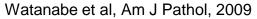
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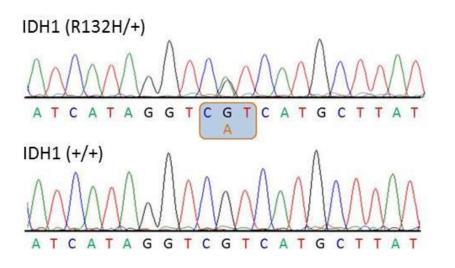
Rindopepimut with Bevacizumab for Patients with Relapsed EGFRvIII-Expressing Glioblastoma (ReACT): Results of a Double-Blind Randomized Phase II Trial (Reardon et al, Clin Cancer Res 2020)

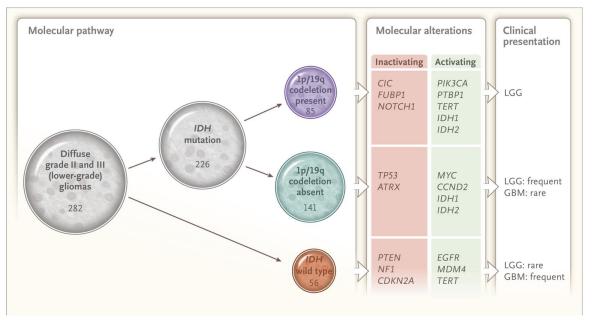


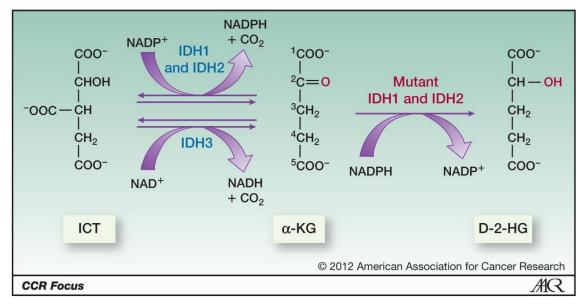
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## IDH1 Mutations Are Early Events in the Development of Astrocytomas and Oligodendrogliomas Watanabe et al,



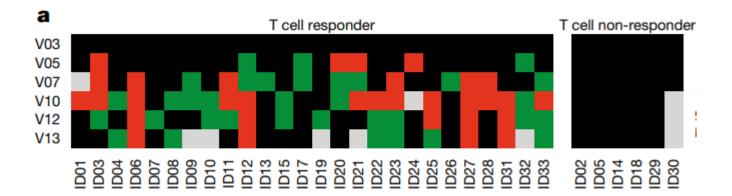


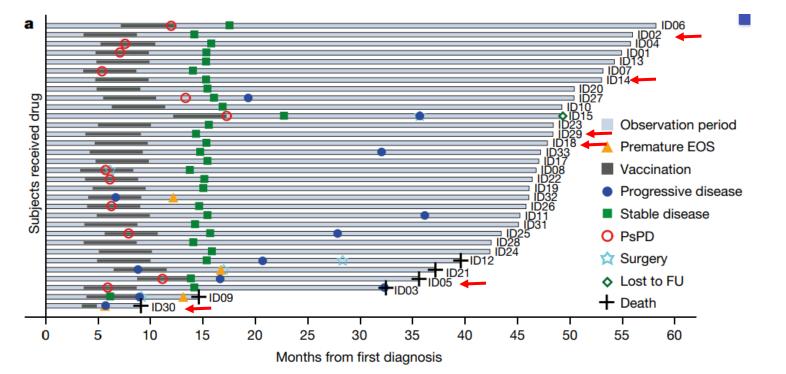


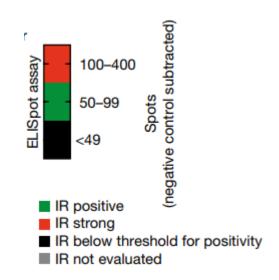


- R-2-hydroxyglutarate (R-2-HG) promotes histone methylation (Lu, Ward et al, Nature 2012).
- Tumor-derived R-2-HG induces a perturbation of nuclear factor of activated T cells transcriptional activity and polyamine biosynthesis, resulting in suppression of T cell activity (Bunse et al, Nat Med 2018)

## A vaccine targeting mutant IDH1 in newly diagnosed glioma

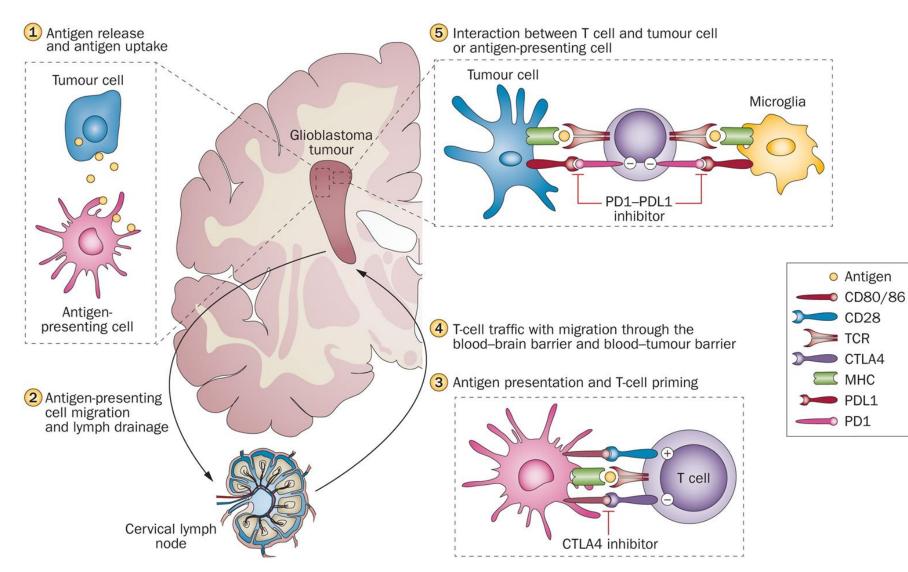






Platten et al, Nature 2021

## **Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors**





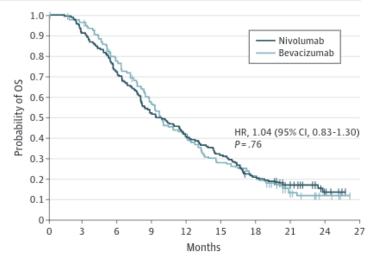
#### JAMA Oncology | Original Investigation

### Effect of Nivolumab vs Bevacizumab in Patients With Recurrent Glioblastoma The CheckMate 143 Phase 3 Randomized Clinical Trial

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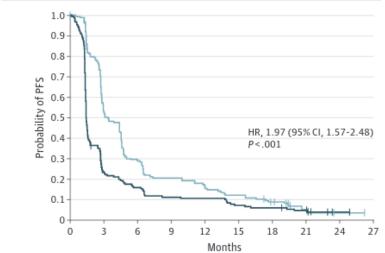
#### A Probability of OS by intervention

	Median OS Events, (95% CI), OS Rate (95% CI), %				
Intervention			6 Months	12 Months	18 Months
Nivolumab	154	9.8 (8.2-11.8)	72.3 (65.2-78.2)	41.8 (34.7-48.8)	21.7 (16.1-27.9)
Bevacizumab	147	10.0 (9.0-11.8)	78.2 (71.2-83.6)	42.0 (34.6-49.3)	21.6 (15.8-28.0)



#### B Probability of progression-free survival

	Events.	Median PFS ts, (95% CI),	PFS Rate (95% CI), %		
Intervention		months	6 Months	12 Months	18 Months
Nivolumab	171	1.5 (1.5-1.6)	15.7 (10.8-21.5)	10.5 (6.5-15.5)	5.8 (3.0-10.0)
Bevacizumab	146	3.5 (2.9-4.6)	29.6 (22.7-36.9)	17.4 (11.9-23.7)	8.9 (5.1-14.1)



#### **Key Points**

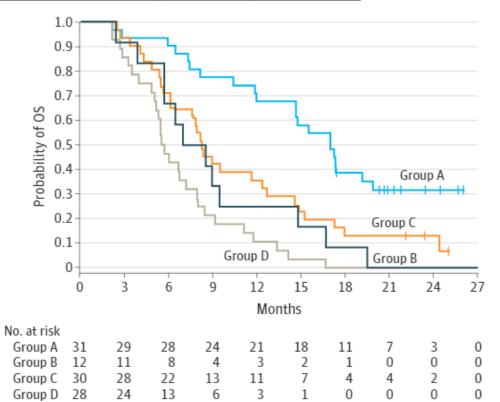
**Question** Does programmed cell death 1 immune checkpoint inhibition with nivolumab improve overall survival compared with bevacizumab treatment for patients with recurrent glioblastoma?

**Findings** In this randomized phase 3 clinical trial of 369 patients diagnosed with recurrent glioblastoma treated with nivolumab, an improved survival benefit was not observed in patients who received nivolumab compared with bevacizumab-treated control patients.

**Meaning** Additional research is needed; nivolumab monotherapy did not improve overall survival compared with bevacizumab in the treatment of recurrent glioblastoma. A study of nivolumab in combination with radiotherapy and temozolomide in patients with newly diagnosed glioblastoma with methylated *MGMT* promoter is ongoing.

#### IAMA Oncol. doi:10.1001/jamaoncol.2020.1024 Published online May 21, 2020.

Group	No. of events/ No. of patients	Median OS (95% CI), months
Group A: MGMT methylated; no baseline corticosteroid use	21/31	17.0 (11.9-19.8)
Group B: MGMT methylated; baseline corticosteroid use	12/12	7.7 (3.9-14.8)
Group C: MGMT unmethylated; no baseline corticosteroid use	27/30	8.3 (6.2-12.6)
Group D: <i>MGMT</i> unmethylated; baseline corticosteroid use	28/28	5.6 (5.0-7.2)

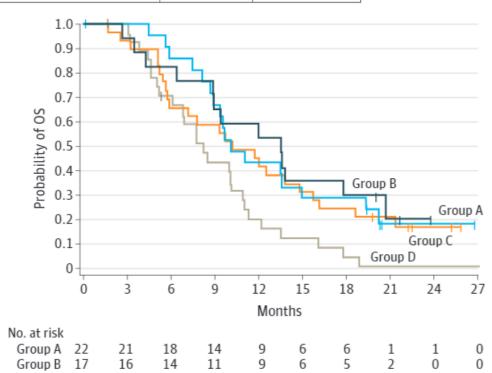


#### C Bevacizumab

Group C 29

Group D 28

Group	No. of events/ No. of patients	Median OS (95% CI), months
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Group B: MGMT methylated; baseline corticosteroid use	13/17	13.5 (6.4-20.7)
Group C: <i>MGMT</i> unmethylated; no baseline corticosteroid use	24/29	10.3 (5.9-14.9)
Group D: <i>MGMT</i> unmethylated; baseline corticosteroid use	26/28	8.3 (5.2-10.2)



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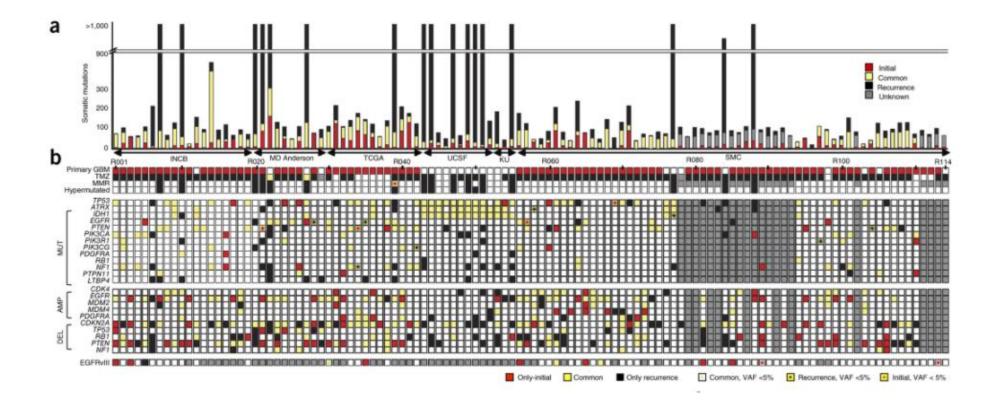
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Group D 28

### **Clonal evolution of glioblastoma under therapy**

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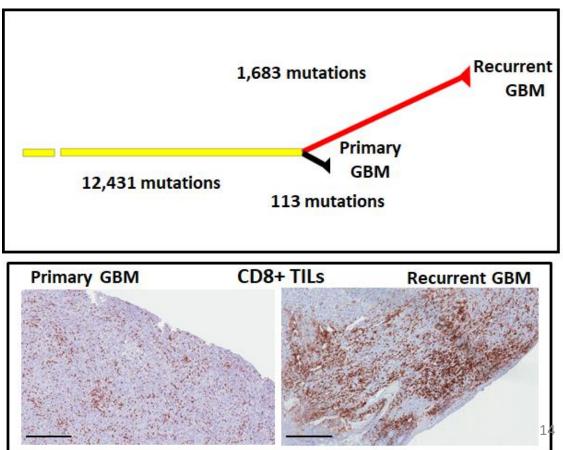


#### High tumor mutational burden and T-cell activation are associated with long-term response to anti-PD1 therapy in Lynch syndrome recurrent glioblastoma patient

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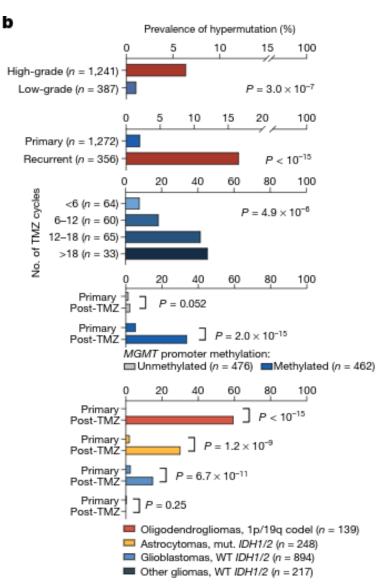
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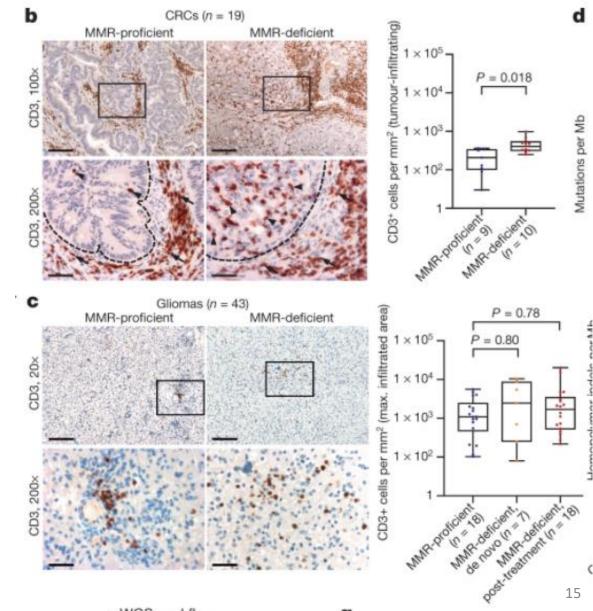
- First surgery>second surgery: 13 months.
- Second surgery on (NIVOLUMAB): 68 months
- Pathogenic mutation in the MSH2 (R359S) gene (germline).
- Immunologically: generation of CD8+ T memory cells and persistent activation of CD4+ Tcells



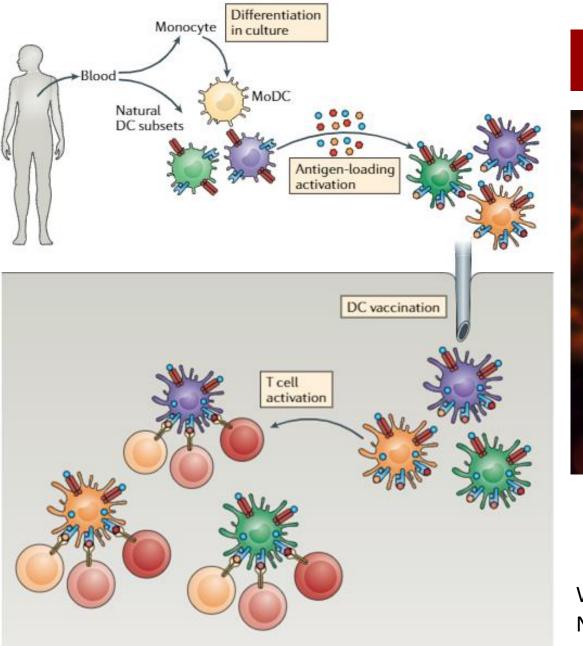
#### Touat et al, Nature 2020

## Mechanisms and therapeutic implications of hypermutation in gliomas

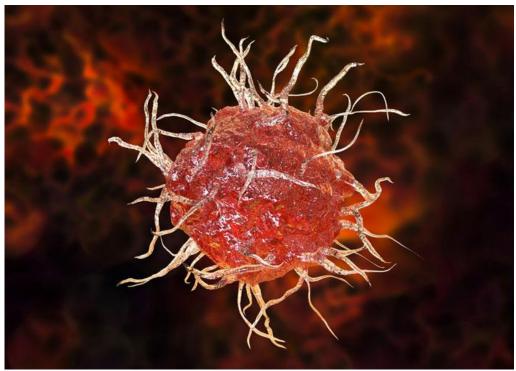




#### e Adoptive transfer of autologous, antigen-loaded and activated DCs



## **Dendritic Cells**

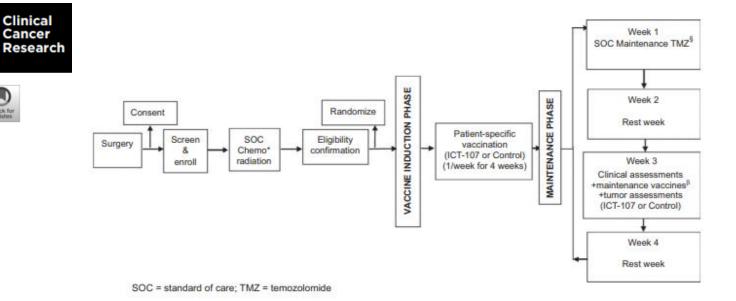


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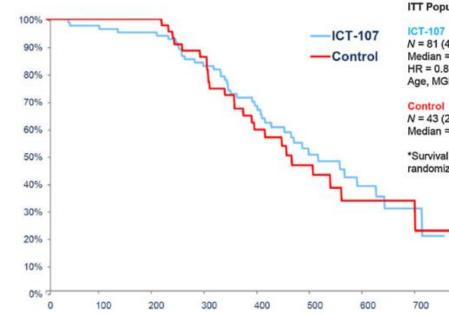
#### A Randomized Double-Blind Placebo-Controlled Phase II Trial of Dendritic Cell Vaccine ICT-107 in Newly Diagnosed Patients with Glioblastoma

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Enrollment Assessed for eligibility (n = 278) Excluded (n=154) + Not meeting inclusion criteria due to HLA or tumor burden (n = 105) Met exclusion criteria (n=5) Other reasons (n=44) Randomized (n = 124) Allocation Allocated to ICT-107 (n=81) Allocated to control (n=43) · Received at least 4 doses of allocated · Received at least 4 doses of allocated intervention (n=75) intervention (n = 42) Did not receive allocated intervention (disease Did not receive allocated intervention progression (2); insufficient product (disease progression) (n = 1) produced (2); leukopenia (1); increased steroid used (1)) (n=6) Follow-up Lost to follow-up (n = 0)Lost to follow-up (n = 0)Discontinued intervention (disease progression Discontinued intervention (disease progression (48); investigator withdrew patient (4); informed (29); adverse event (1); death (1); other consent withdrawn (2); other reasons (4)) (n=60) reasons (2)) (n=33) Analysis Analysed per protocol (n=75) Analysed Per Protocol (n = 42) + Excluded from analysis (disease progression + Excluded from analysis (disease progression) (2); insufficient product produced (2); leukopenia (n=1) (1); increased steroid used (1)) (n=6)



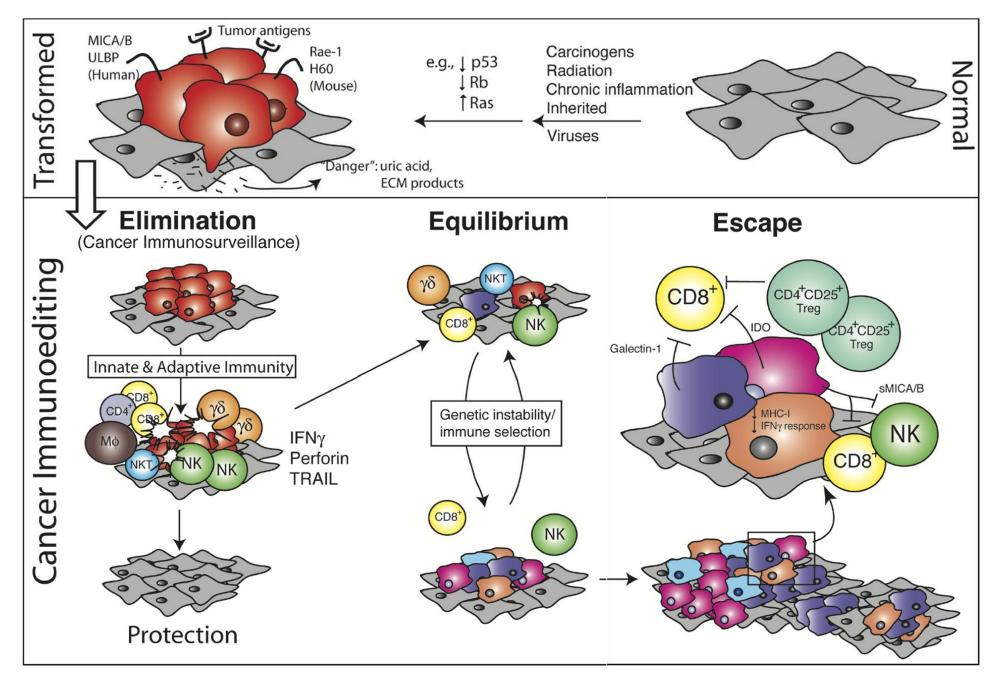
#### ITT Population (N = 124)

N = 81 (42 events)Median = 17.0 mo (13.68-20.61) HR = 0.87Age, MGMT stratified P\* = 0.580

N = 43 (25 events) Median = 15.0 mo (12.33-23.05)

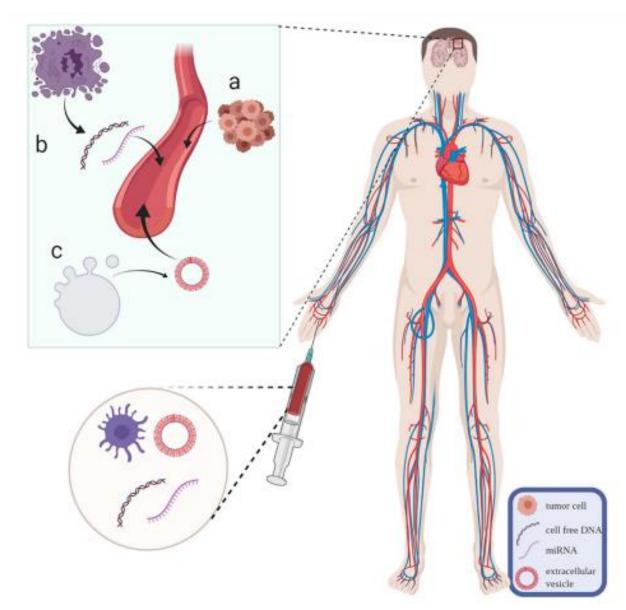
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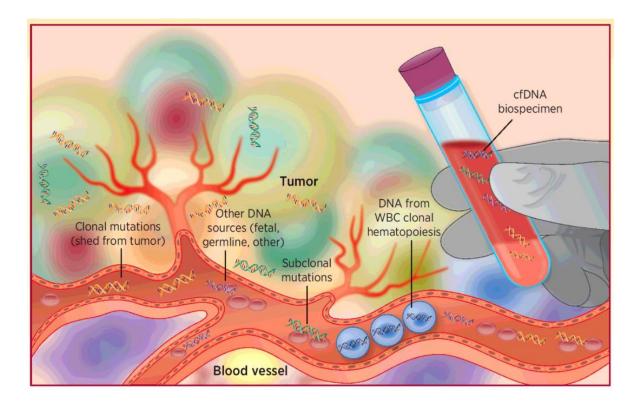


Dunn, Old and Schreiber, Immunity 2004

## Liquid biopsies approaches for gliomas



False-Positive Plasma Genotyping Due to Clonal Hematopoiesis Hu, Ulrich et al, Clin Cancer Res 2018



**Clinical Utility of Plasma Cell-Free DNA in Adult** Patients with Newly Diagnosed Glioblastoma: A **Pilot Prospective Study** 

Bagley et al, Clin Cancer Res 2020

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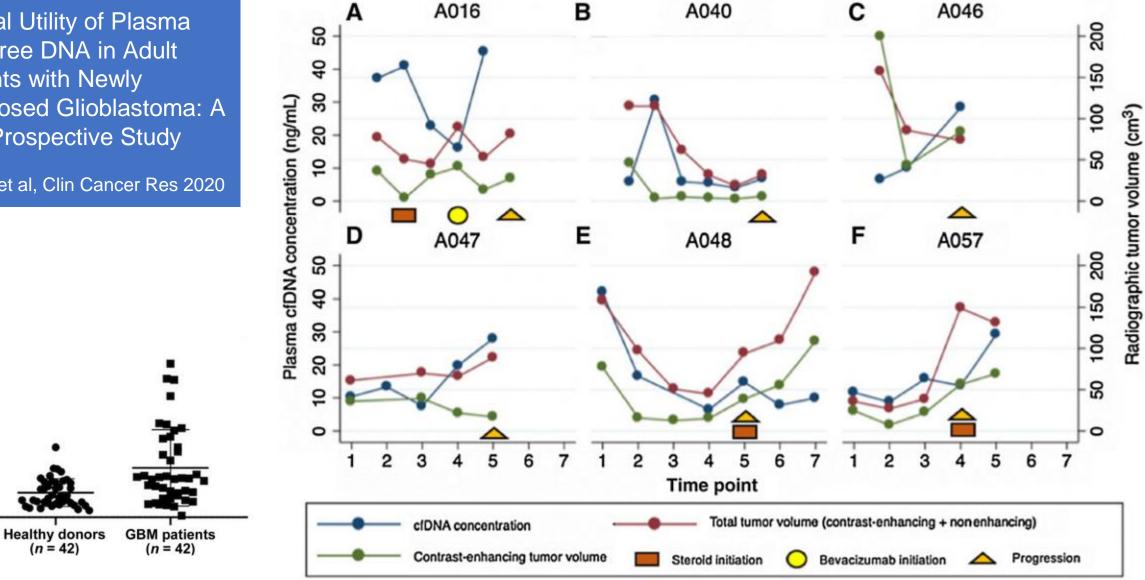
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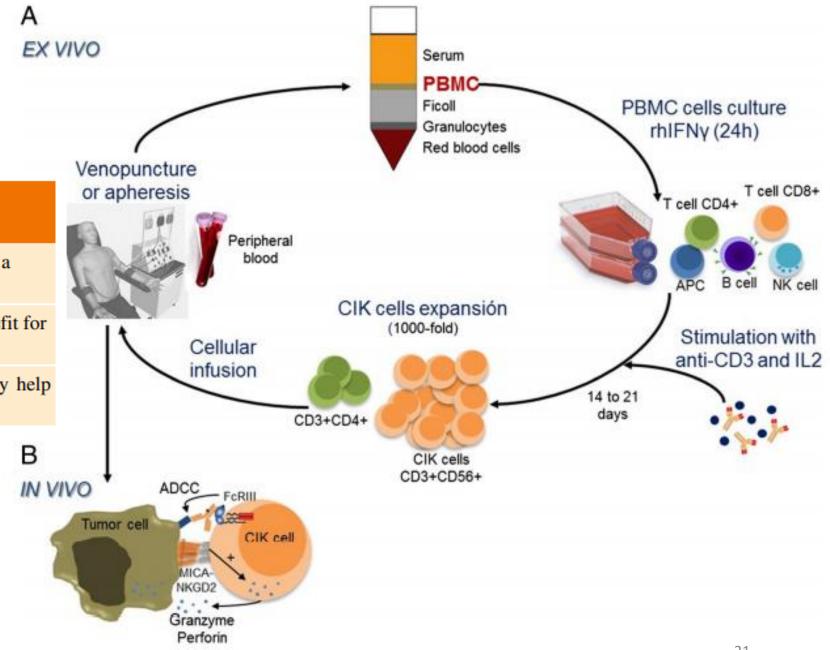
## Cancer Immunotherapy with Cytokine-Induced Killer (CIK) cells

#### **Key Points**

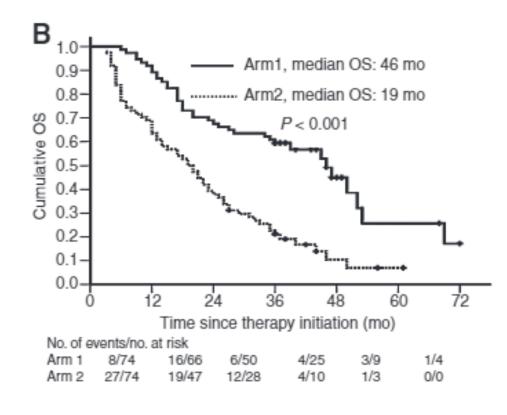
CIK cells are a heterogeneous cell population with a mixed T-NK cell phenotype.

Immunotherapy with CIK cells exerts clinical benefit for some cancer patients.

Novel experimental strategies with CIK cells may help to improve anti-tumor immune responses.



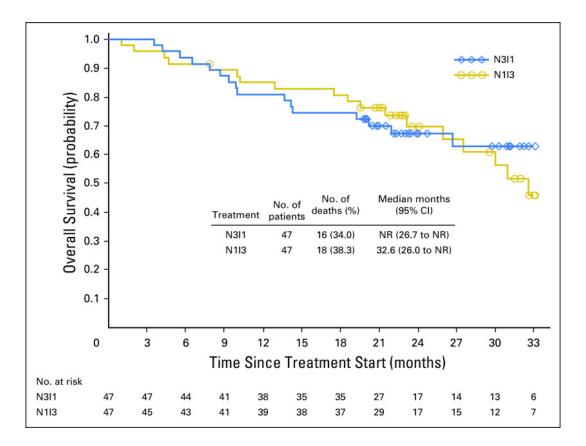
Randomized Study of Autologous Cytokine-Induced Killer Cell Immunotherapy in Metastatic Renal Carcinoma (Liu et al CCR 2012)



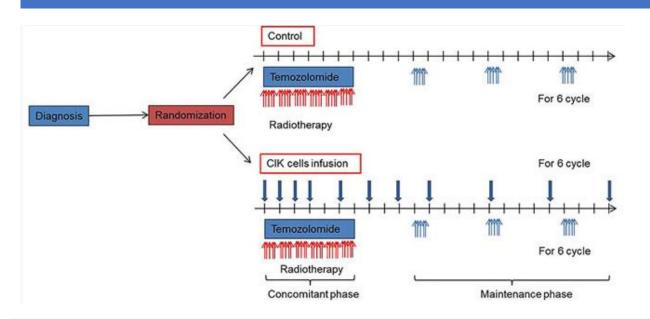
Arm 2: IL-2 and IFNalpha 2

Arm 1: CIK

#### Safety and Efficacy of Nivolumab in Combination With Ipilimumab in Metastatic Renal Cell Carcinoma: The CheckMate 016 Study (Hammers et al, JCO 2017)

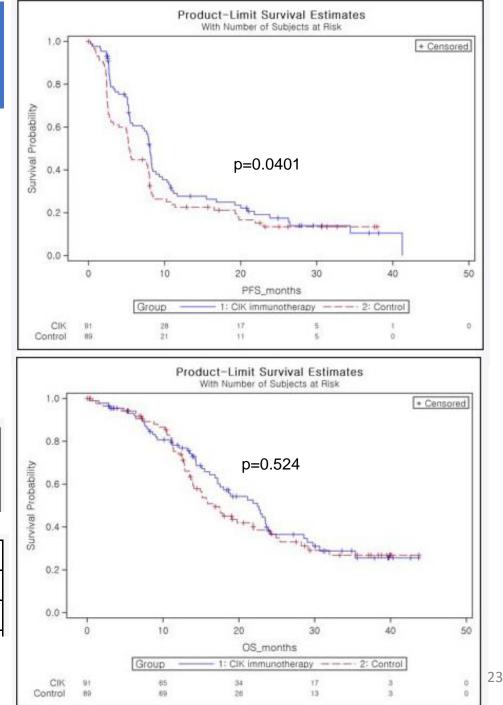


Phase III randomized trial of autologous cytokine-induced killer cell immunotherapy for newly diagnosed glioblastoma in Korea (Kong et al, Oncotarget 2017)



	CIK immunotherapy group (N= 91)	Control group (N= 89)
No. of events (Death or PD), n (%)	70 (76.9%)	71 (79.8%)
Median PFS [95% CI]	8.1 [5.8, 8.5]	5.4 [3.3, 7.9]

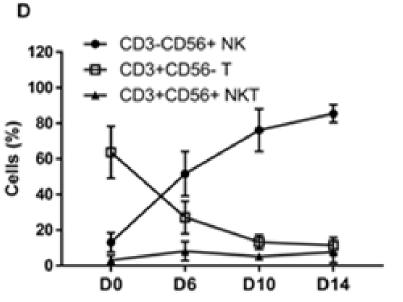
	CIK immunotherapy group (N= 91)	Control group (N= 89)
Incidence rate (Death), n (%)	51 (56.04)	52 (58.43)
Median OS [95% CI]	22.47 [17.20, 23.85]	16.88 [13.91, 21.94]



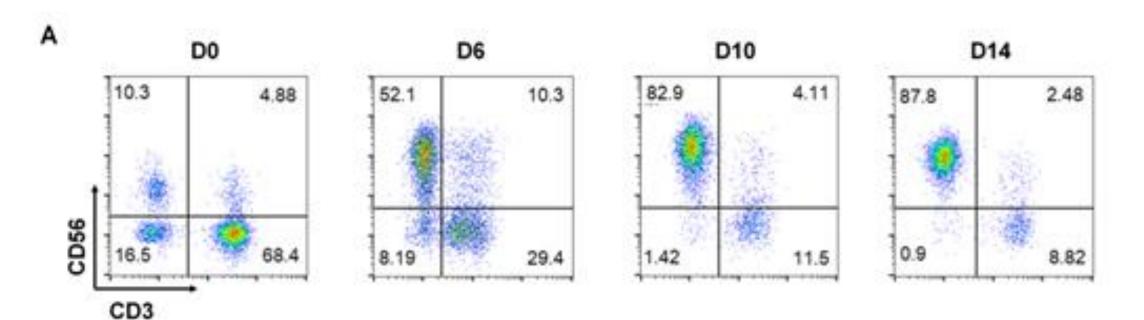
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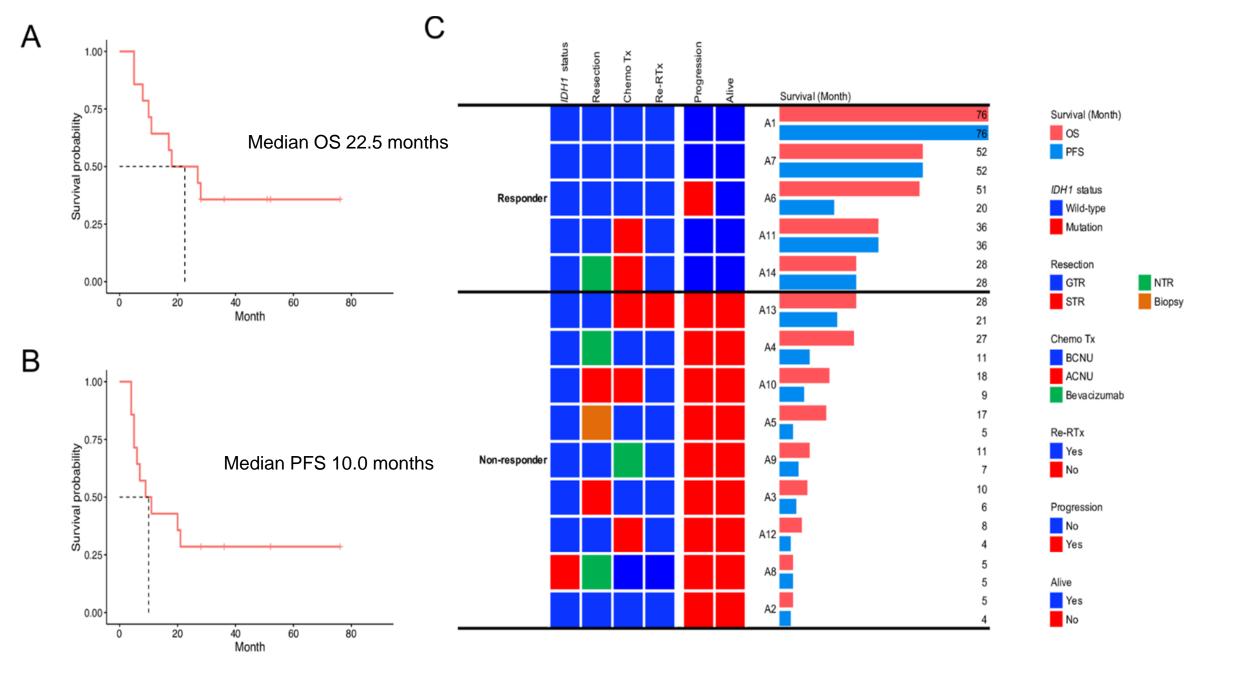
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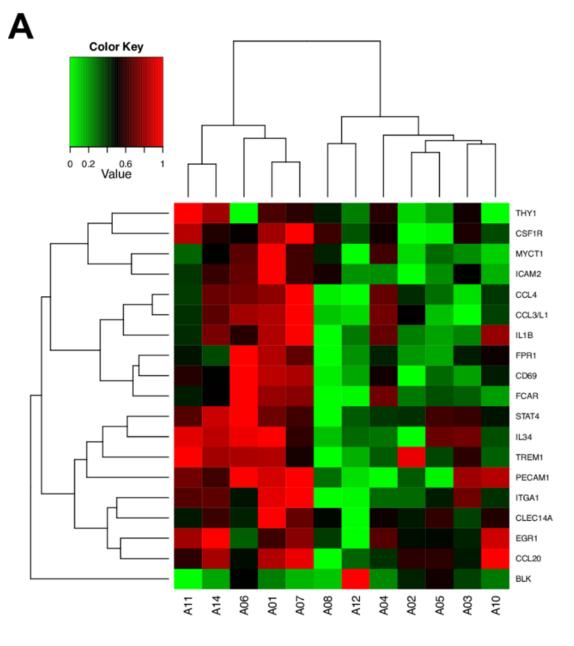
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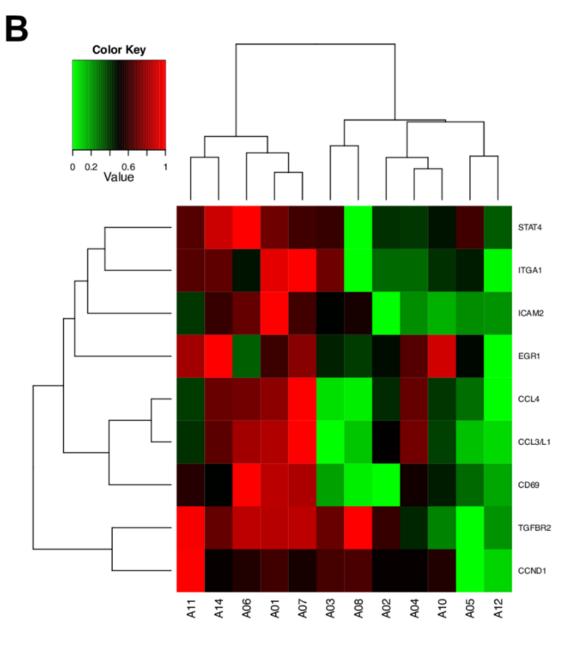


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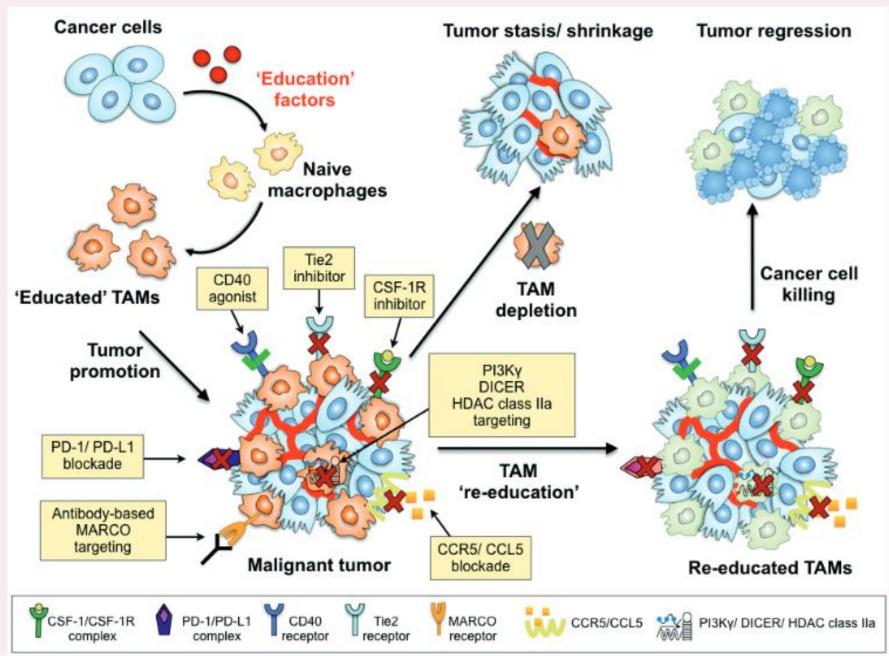






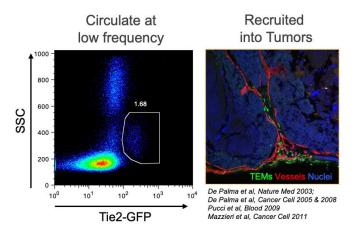
Immune Cell Localization to Tumors

## Macrophage targeting strategies in cancer

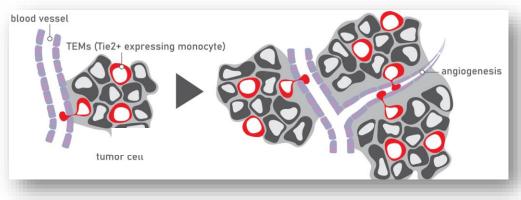


Kowal 2019, Immunotherapy

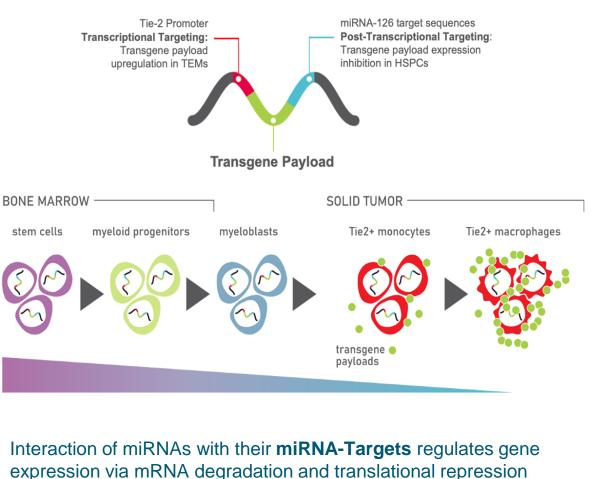
## TEMs a Natural Trojan Horse to Deliver Therapy to Solid Tumors



- Bone-marrow derived pro-tumoral tumor infiltrating monocytes
- Subset of TAMs
- Angiogenic & Immunosuppressive
- Peri-vascular localization
- Genetic ablation of TEMs curbs tumor growth

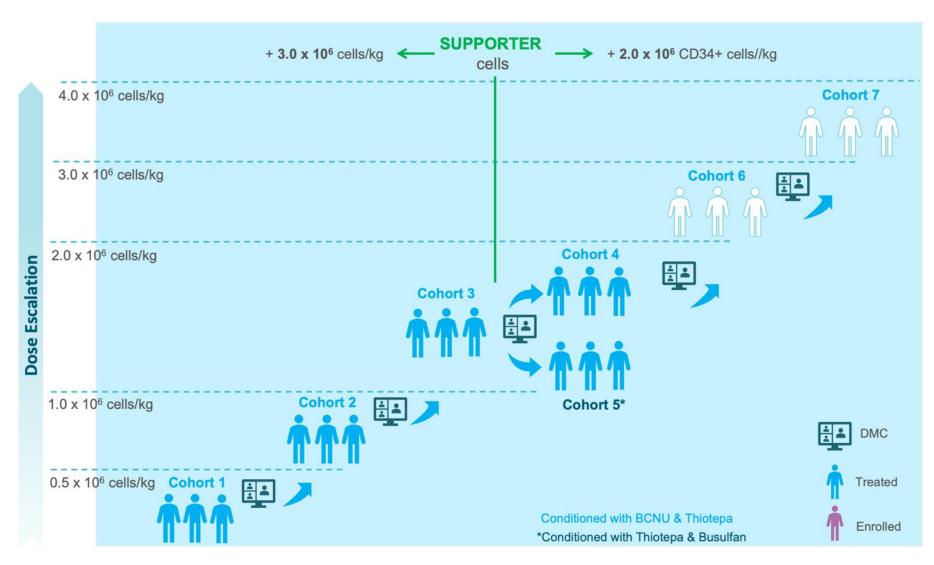


Transgene Expression Technology for Controlled and Targeted Payload Delivery inside Solid Tumors



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## TEM-GBM:Temferon Phase 1/2a Design in Glioblastoma



A multi-center, openlabel, dose escalation & long-term follow-up study in GBM patients with unmethylated MGMT promoter

#### **Inclusion Criteria**

- Histologically confirmed, newly diagnosed supratentorial glioblastoma with unmethylated MGMT gene promoter.
- Patients have undergone complete or partial tumor resection and are eligible for adjuvant radiotherapy
- 18-70 years old, in good clinical condition (ECOG 0-1, KPS>70%)
- life expectancy >6mts, adequate organ function

## **IMPOSSIBLE IS NOTHING**