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CHALLENGES IN DEVELOPING
NOVEL-NOVEL COMBINATIONS

*Characterizing The
Contribution of Monotherapy
Components*

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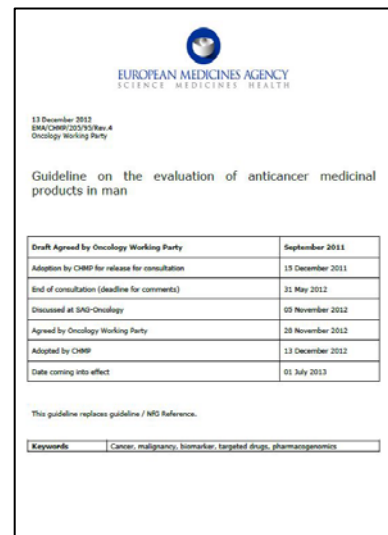
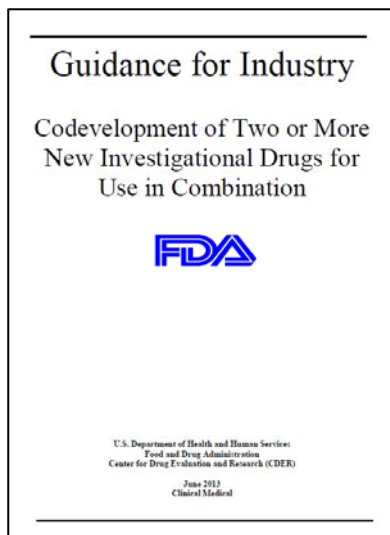
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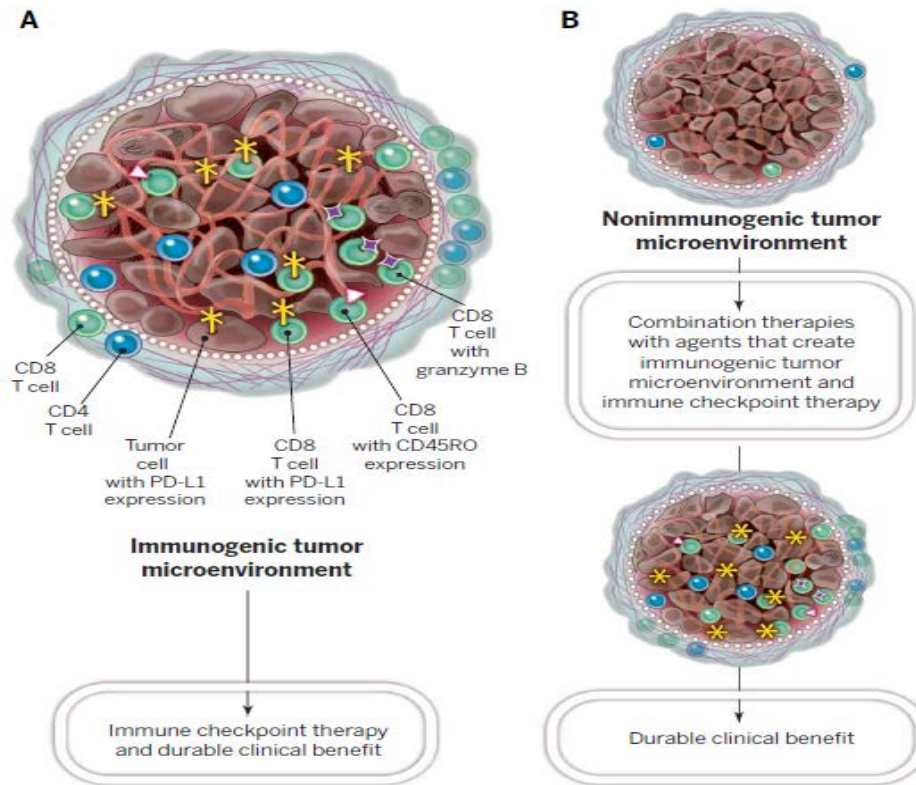
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CURRENT REGULATORY VIEW ON NOVEL-NOVEL COMBINATIONS

- **Contribution of Components (CoC): Requirement for demonstrating the contribution of each agent to the activity of the combination to the extent possible and needed**
 - Depends on the level of enhanced activity expected with the combination vs individual monotherapy components



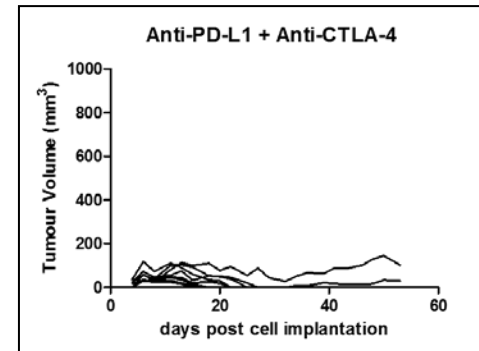
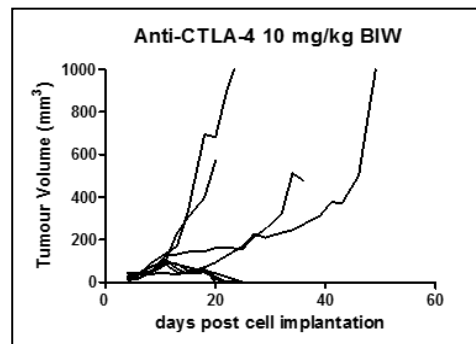
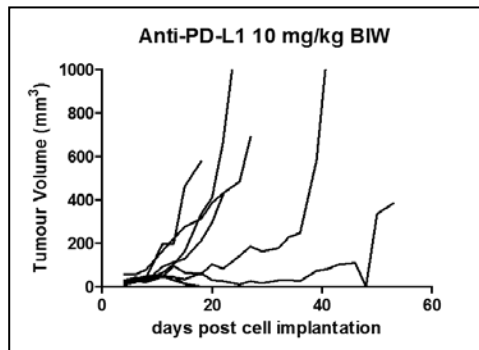
COMBINATIONS CAN CONVERT NON-IMMUNOGENIC TUMORS TO IMMUNOGENIC



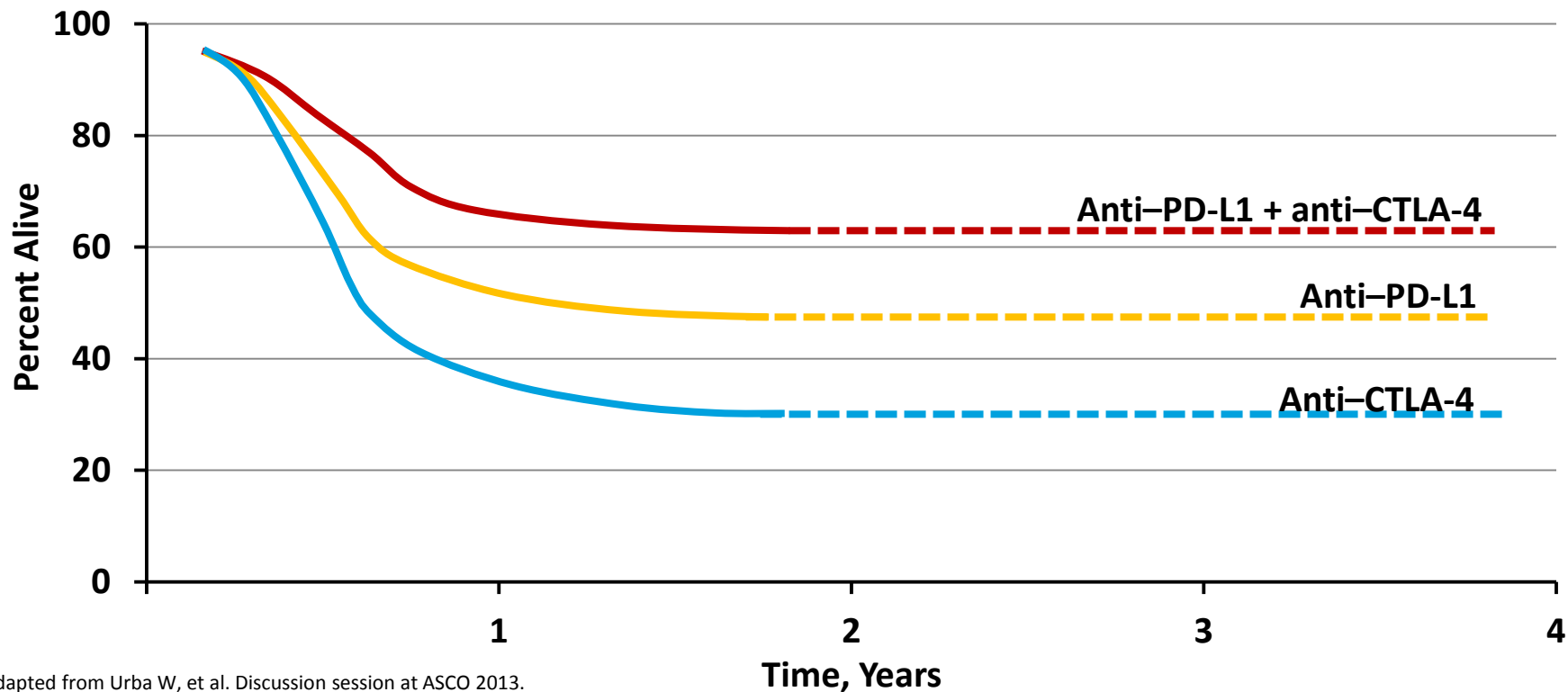
Padmanee Sharma and James P. Allison SCIENCE 2015 • VOL 348

PRECLINICAL DATA INDICATES POTENTIAL SYNERGY OF PD-L1/CTLA-4 COMBINATION

Tumor Volume vs Time After Tumor Cell Implantation



POTENTIAL LONG-TERM SURVIVAL WITH IO MONOTHERAPY OR COMBINATION



Adapted from Urba W, et al. Discussion session at ASCO 2013.

DOSE SELECTION DESIGN FOR DURVALUMAB + TREMELIMUMAB IN ADVANCED NSCLC

Study 006 Design: Zone-based dose escalation
and Phase Ib expansion phase

Population: Stage III-IV NSCLC patients who have failed systemic therapy
(no restrictions on number of prior therapies)

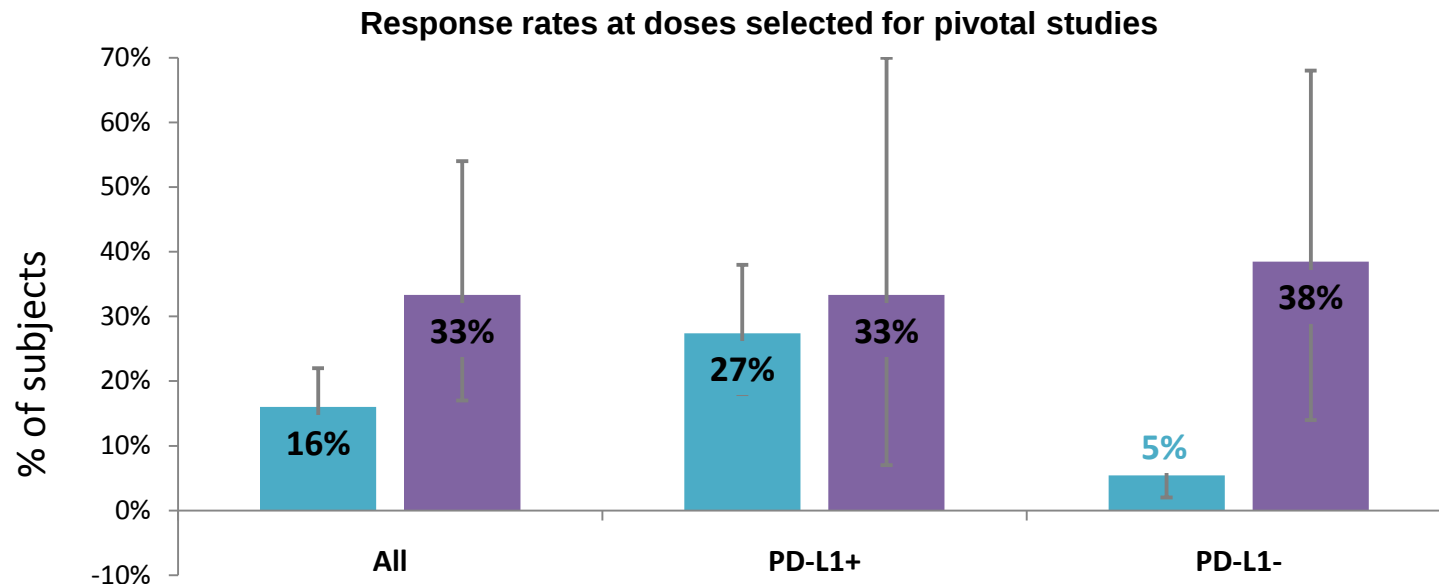
1st endpoint:
Safety
(28-day DLT period)

2nd endpoint:
Efficacy
(RECIST response Q8 wks)

Exploratory endpoints:
Peripheral
pharmacodynamics,
tumour PD-L1 status

*DLT, dose-limiting toxicity

COMBINATION CAN POTENTIALLY ADDRESS SUBPOPULATIONS IN AREAS OF UNMET MEDICAL NEED



Monotherapy = M10 mg/kg Q2W in NSCLC (all lines) in 1108 (data cut-off =27 Feb 2015); Combination therapy = M10-20/T1 in 006 (data cut-off =15 Apr 2015); ORR = Overall response rate

■ Mono Study 1108 ■ Combo Study 6 (Treme 1 mg/kg)

Rizvi N, et al. Oral presented at the 30th Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer Annual Meeting, National Harbour, MD, USA, 4-8 November 2015
(Oral 477; Abstract P193)

TREME DOSE SELECTION KEY TO OPTIMIZING B/R OF COMBINATION

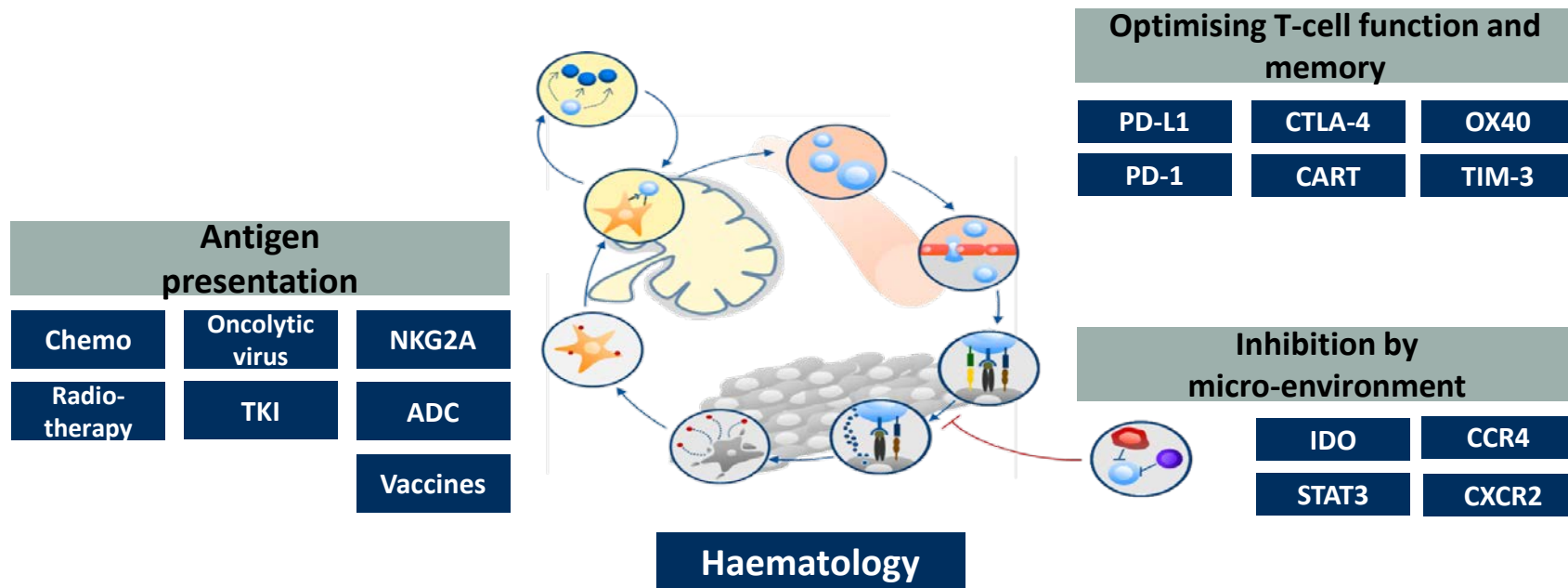
- Related Grade 3/4 AEs and discontinuations due to related AEs were lowest in the 1 mg/kg Q4W tremelimumab cohorts
- AEs did not appear related to dose or schedule of durvalumab

	M10-20 Q4/2W T1 mg/kg n=56	M10-20 Q4/2W T3 mg/kg n=34	M15 Q4W T10 mg/kg n=9
Related AE	35 (63%)	30 (88%)	8 (89%)
Related G3/4 AE	16 (29%)	18 (53%)	7 (78%)
Related death	1 (2%)	1 (3%)	0
Related serious AE	10 (18%)	17 (50%)	7 (78%)
Related AE leading to discontinuation	4 (7%)	12 (35%)	4 (44%)

SUMMARY

- Biology of the combination is complex
- Preclinical data may support scientific hypothesis for synergistic effect
 - Where appropriate & relevant animal models or systems can be identified
- Monotherapy dose may differ from that used in combination
 - Impact on evaluating CoC
- Clinical activity & tolerability burden of combination drive B/R optimization through dose selection
- Combinations may address unmet need not fulfilled by monotherapies
 - Challenge with extent of monotherapy data to be generated in these areas

COMBINATIONS HAVE POTENTIAL TO ADDRESS DIFFERENT ESCAPE MECHANISMS

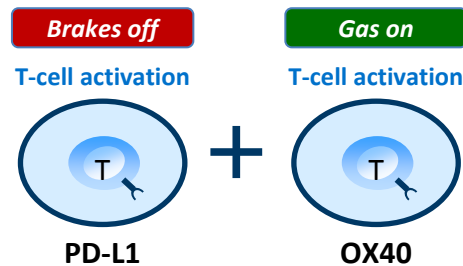


ADC, antibody-drug conjugate; CART, chimeric antigen receptor T-cell therapy; IDO, indoleamine 2,3-dioxygenase; TKI, tyrosine-kinase inhibitor

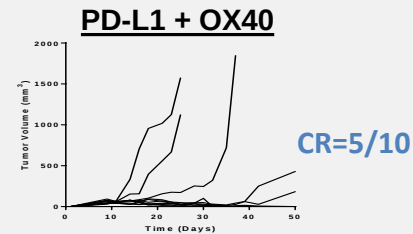
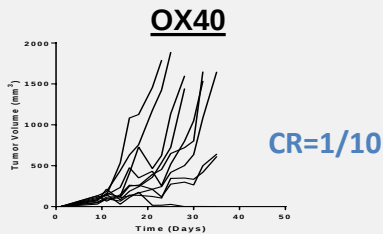
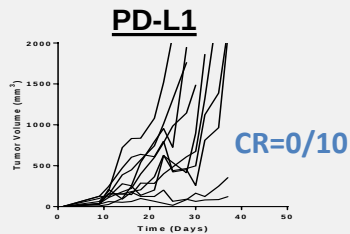
Chen DS and Mellman I. *Immunity* 2013;39(1):1–10

THE PROMISE OF COMBINATIONS BEYOND CTLA-4 + PD-L1

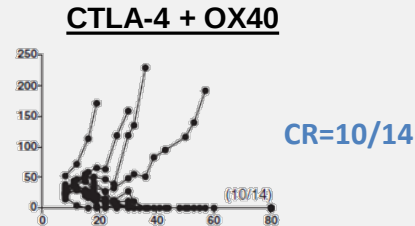
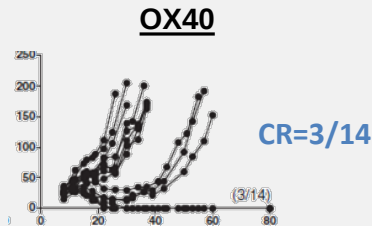
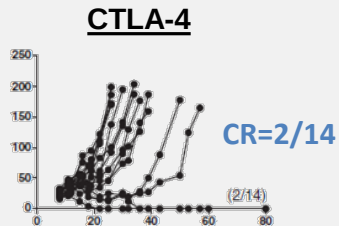
PD-L1 + OX40 and CTLA-40 + OX40



Pre-clinical¹ data with PD-L1



Pre-clinical¹ data with CTLA-4



¹ Mouse model used in experiments, CR = complete response, McGlinchey et al. Poster AACR 2014

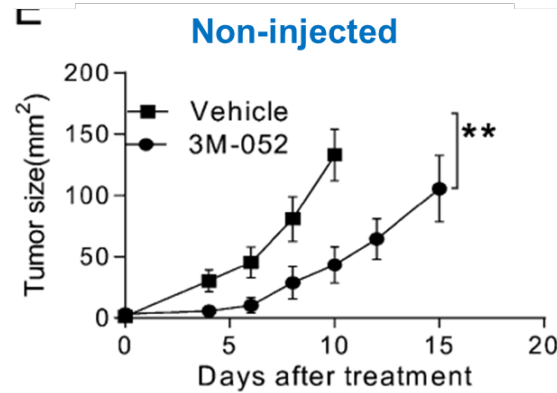
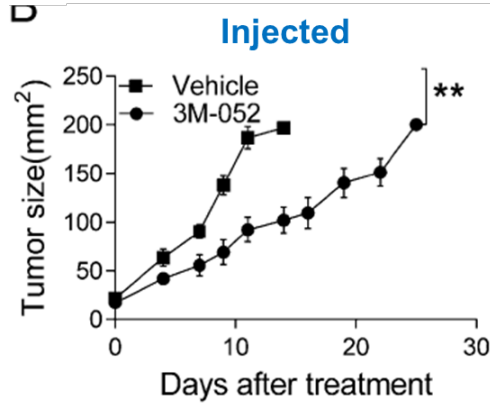
TLR7/8 AGONIST IN COMBINATION WITH CTLA-4 AND PD-L1

Triggers Innate Immunity + Promotes Adaptive Immune Response

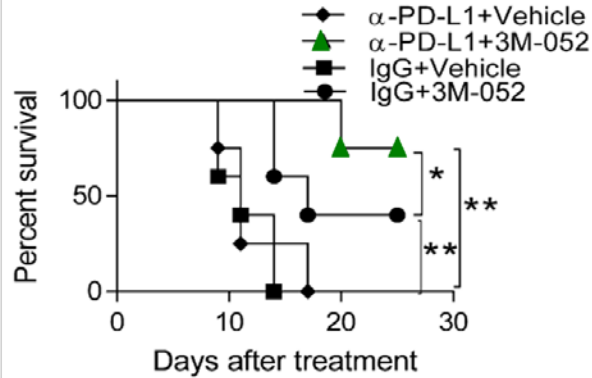
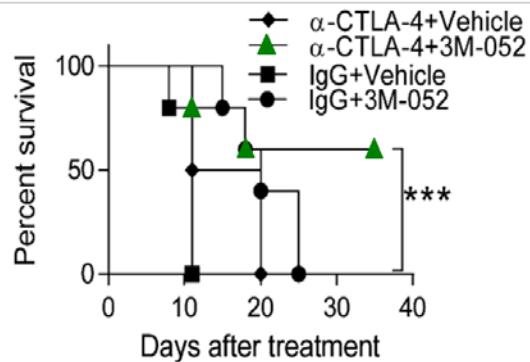
Innate Immunity



Gas on



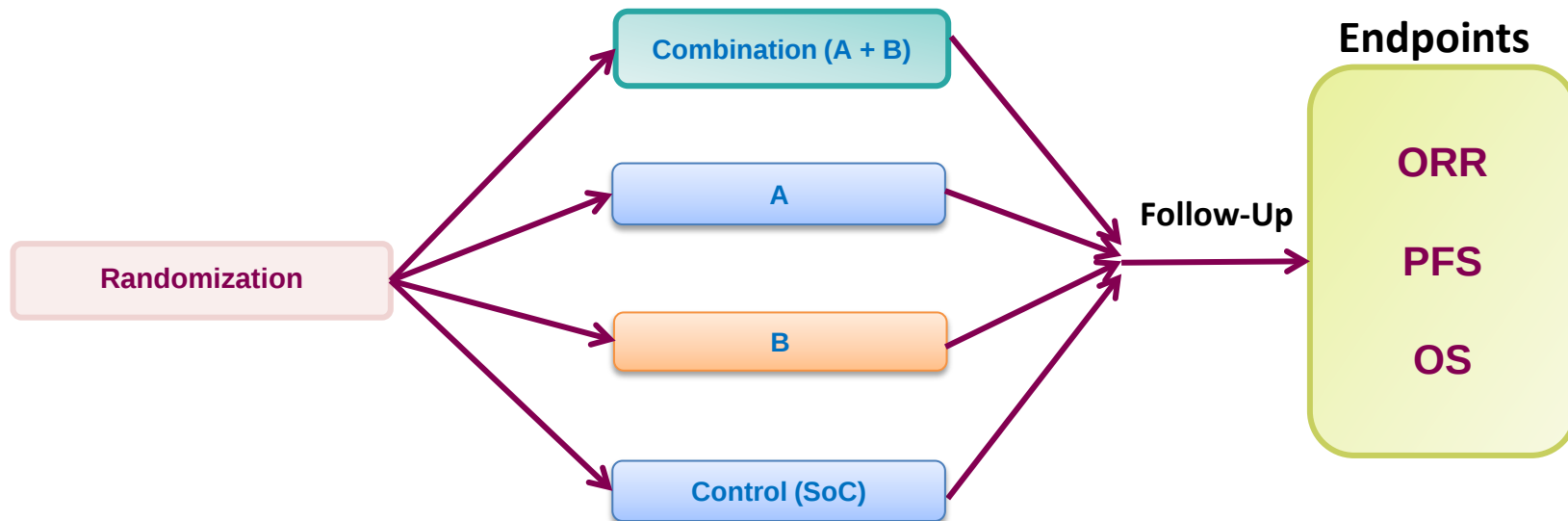
Evidence of Abscopal Effect



Potential Synergy with
Checkpoint Inhibitors

Singh M et al / J Immunol 2014;193:4722-4731

CONTRIBUTION OF COMPONENTS: 4-ARM PHASE II OR III TRIAL



- Characterizing CoC in purist form through randomized controlled 4-arm design
- Ideally, conducted within context of Phase II

CHALLENGES WITH ADDRESSING COC FOR IMMUNOTHERAPIES

- Complex study designs requiring large sample size and longer duration of follow-up
- May be difficult to enroll monotherapy arms
 - If no preliminary evidence of activity (e.g. anti-CTLA4 in NSCLC)
- Challenging to drop arms early based on surrogate endpoints
- Dose-selection for monotherapy vs combination
- How much evidence is enough?
 - Need to generate data across tumor types and lines of therapy within tumor?
- Regulatory expectations across global & regional health authorities

POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS TO CONSIDER

- Relying more on small randomized Phase II trials or on single-arm activity
- Adaptive designs
 - Introducing flexibility in level of evidence required to drop a monotherapy arm
 - Seamless Phase II/III designs
 - Working with regulators to define acceptable thresholds for dropping arms
 - Opportunities to share data with health authorities before making decisions
- Conducting 3-arm trials with only one monotherapy component
 - Understanding the contribution of one-arm relative to the combination may be enough in many situations
- Further clarifying regulatory hurdle on level of evidence required
 - A “pyramid” approach of gathering more data in Phase I & II versus III
 - Alignment across global regulatory authorities on expectations for CoC

PROPOSED FRAMEWORK – EVALUATING TOTALITY OF DATA

Preclinical

- Demonstration of unique mechanism of combination vs monotherapy in vitro (e.g. gene expression)
- Demonstration of unique pharmacodynamics of combination vs monotherapy in vivo
- Assess potential for synergistic antitumor activity in vivo, where appropriate

Phase I

- Monotherapy & combination
- Late lines
- Multiple tumor types
- **Sufficiently sized to allow for precision around ORR estimate and evaluate duration of response (DoR) relative to historical data**
- Biomarkers for patient selection
- Pharmacodynamic biomarkers confirming unique effect of combination vs monotherapy

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Phase II

- IF ORR data suggest improvement over SoC:
 - Randomized 3 or 4-arm POC study (with biomarker evaluation) **if Phase 1 data indicative of monotherapy activity**
 - Consider adaptive designs or leave flexibility in error control to enable early decision-making
 - Recommend following for additional surrogate measures (e.g. PFS) and longer-term outcomes (OS)
 - Once CoC characterized in 1 or more tumor types, consider leveraging available data to inform future study designs in other lines of therapy within same tumor type or other indications (different tumors)

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Phase III

- **Proceed with Combo vs SoC, unless prior clinical experience provides compelling evidence for 1 or both monotherapies and suggests potential for favorable B/R compared to historical control or SoC**