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Optimization of shared neoantigen vaccine design to increase vaccine potency: *From bench to bedside and back*

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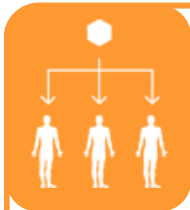
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SLATE Delivers Shared Neoantigens to Selected Patients Using Gritstone's Prime/Boost Platform – Off-the-Shelf Therapy



SLATE v1 Shared Neoantigen Cassette

- “Off-the-shelf” Neoantigen Immunotherapy
- 20 cancer driver mutations
- Efficient patient selection via gene panels

G12V

G12D

G12C

Q61H

R213L

R249M

S127Y

K132N/E

+11 other mutations

KRAS

TP53

KRAS, TP53 & other mutations delivered as 25 aa sequences

SLATE Phase 1 Study Design

SLATE *off-the-shelf*



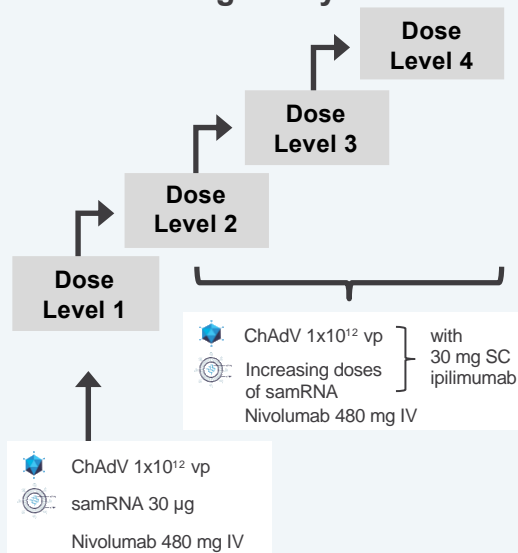
*High Frequency KRAS
Mutation*

Lung
Pancreatic
Colorectal (MSS)
Mutation Positive Tumors

PHASE 1

Objectives:

- Safety and RP2D
- Immunogenicity



Safety: Immunotherapy Well-Tolerated In Patients with Previously Treated Metastatic Solid Tumors

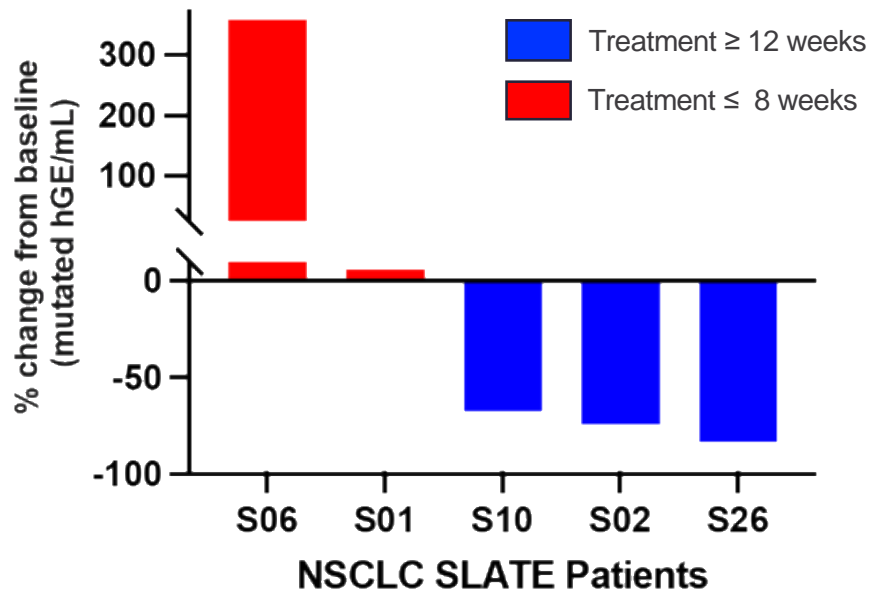
SLATE Baseline Characteristics	n= 36
Age: mean (range)	57 (33-86)
Gender: Female/Male	22/14
Tumor Types	
Non-small cell lung cancer	17
Median number of prior therapies (range)	2 (1-4)
Prior anti-PD-(L)1 therapy	17
Microsatellite-stable (MSS) Colorectal Cancer	12
Median number of prior therapies (range)	2 (1-3)
Pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma (PDA)	5
Median number of prior therapies (range)	1 (1-3)
Ovarian cancer	1
Number of prior therapies	4
Ampullary adenocarcinoma	1
Number of prior therapies	5

Safety	n = 36 (all treated with concurrent nivolumab)	
	Grade 1/2	Grade 3/4
Treatment-related adverse events ≥ 5%		
Fever	13	
Fatigue	8	1
Nausea	7	
Vomiting	7	
Diarrhea	5	
Injection site reaction	5	
Arthralgia	3	
ALT increased	1	1
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Anorexia	2	
Chills	2	
Dizziness	2	
Dyspnea	2	
Generalized weakness	2	
Myalgia	2	
Pruritus	2	
Treatment-related SAEs		
Fever	2	
Hepatitis		1
Neutropenia		1
Pneumonitis		1
Rhabdomyolysis		1
Vomiting	1	

Data cut-off: 30 Nov 2021

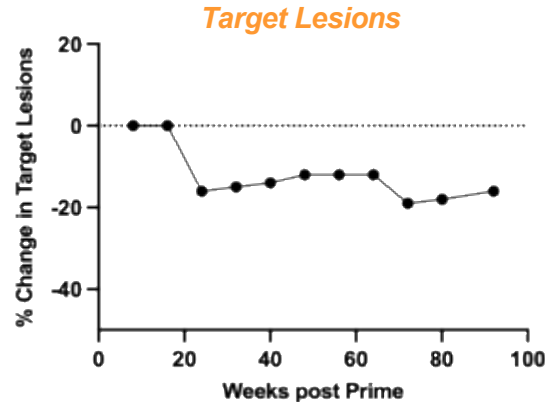
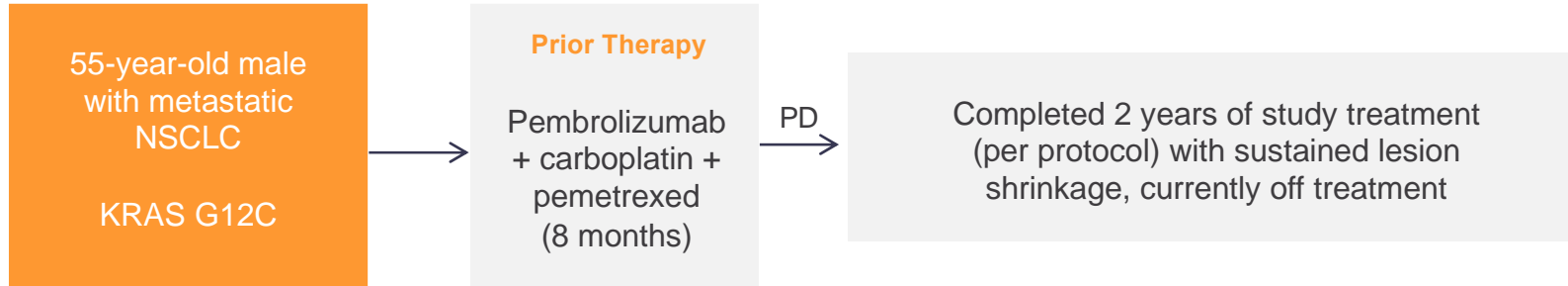
Efficacy: Several NSCLC Patients Who Progressed on Prior IO Have Experienced Decrease in ctDNA Including Patient with High Baseline Levels

Patient	Mutation	Baseline ctDNA (mutated hGE/mL)
S1	G12C	124.64
S2	G12C	26.92
S3	G12C	Not detectable
S6	G12D	21.12
S10	Q61H	77.23
S14	G12D	Not detectable
S26	G12C	3386.05



S3: Prolonged Disease Control in a Patient with NSCLC

Longer than disease control on prior anti-PD-1 mAb therapy



S26: Molecular Response and Unconfirmed Partial Radiologic Response in a Patient with NSCLC

53-year-old male with metastatic NSCLC

KRAS G12C

Prior Therapy

Pembrolizumab + carboplatin
+
pemetrexed
(3 months)

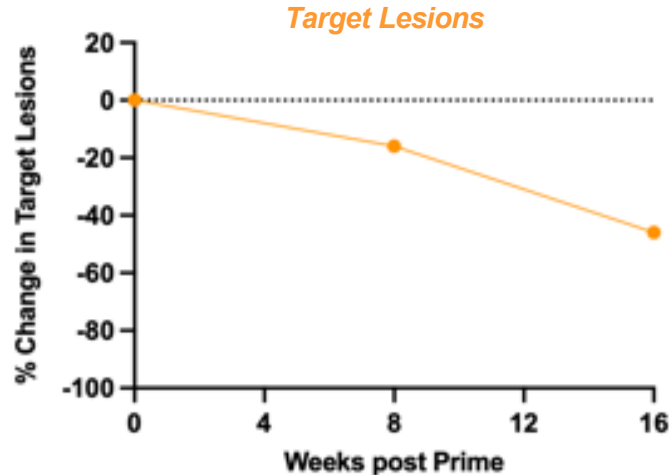
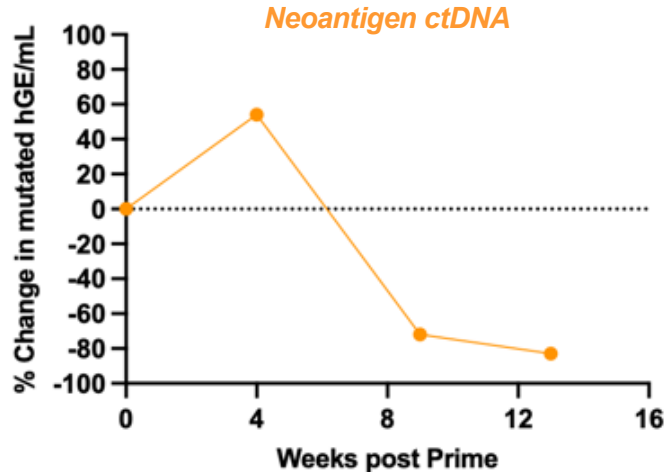
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Began SLATE
immunotherapy
in Jan 2021

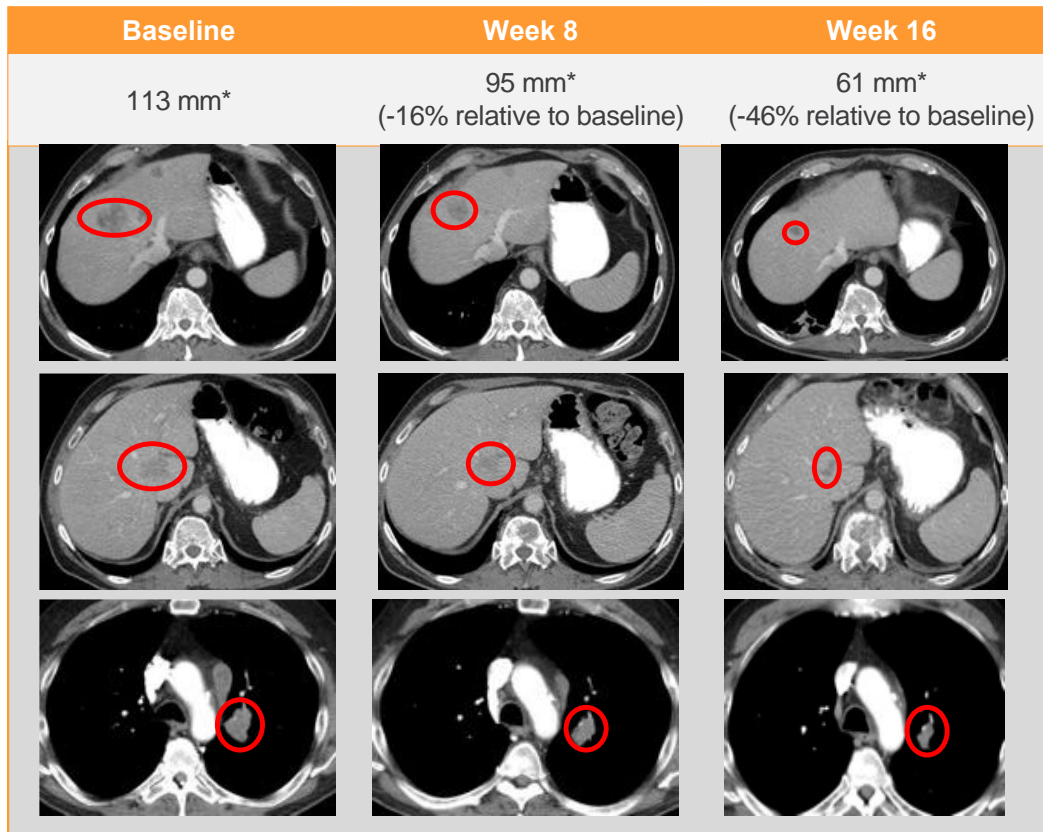
PD

Spinal
compression
fracture at site
of pre-existing
vertebral bodies
in month 5

Tumor tissue from
vertebral lesion
showed increased
IFN γ and immune
infiltrate expression
signatures and
increased HLA
expression



S26: Unconfirmed Partial Response with Clear Reduction in Liver and Lung Lesions

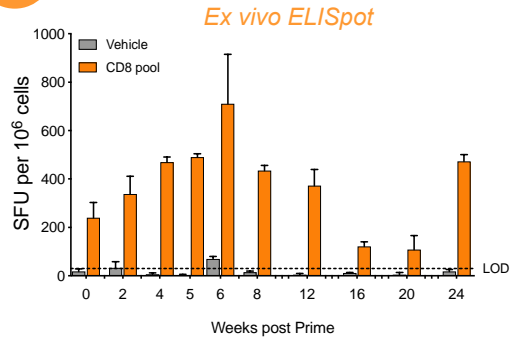


*Sum of longest diameters
of two target lesions

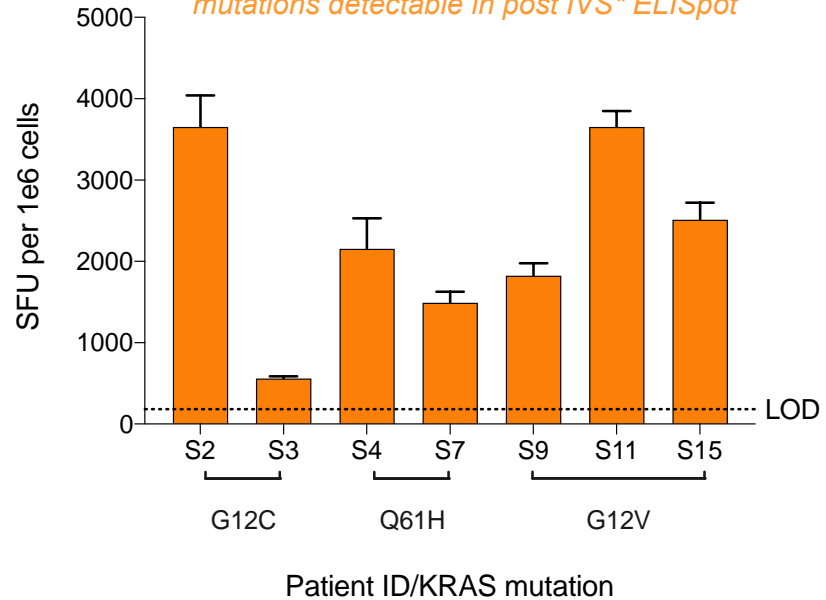
SLATE V1: CD8⁺ T Cells Consistently Induced Against Multiple KRAS Driver Mutations but *ex vivo* ELISpot Positive in Subset of Patients Only

SLATE drives detectable CD8⁺ T cell responses against single neoantigens

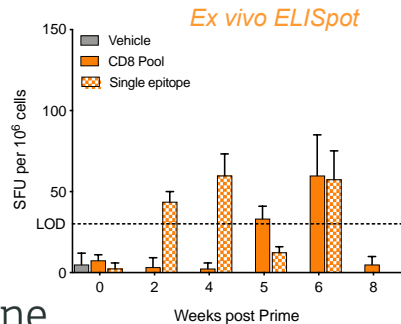
S2 KRAS G12C



CD8⁺ T cell responses against single neoantigens from multiple KRAS driver mutations detectable in post IVS ELISpot*



S4 KRAS Q61H



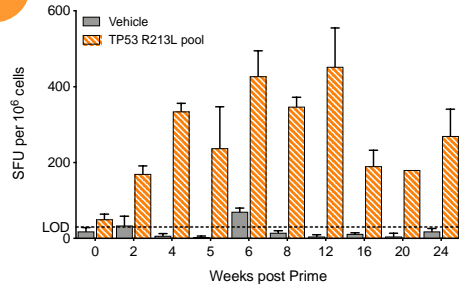
*IVS – *In vitro* stimulation

SLATE V1: TP53^{mut} Neoantigens Seem Immunodominant – Although Rarer than KRAS^{mut} Neoantigens, they Drive Strong CD8⁺ T Cell Responses

Responses to 3/3 TP53 mutations tested to date; mutations presented by 3 different Class I HLA alleles

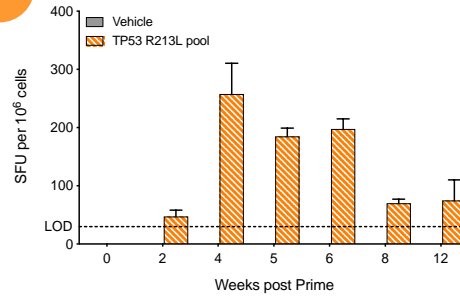
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Ex vivo ELISpot



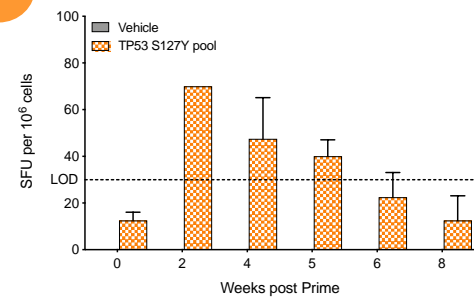
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Ex vivo ELISpot



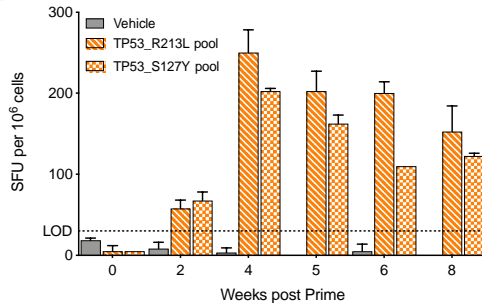
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Ex vivo ELISpot



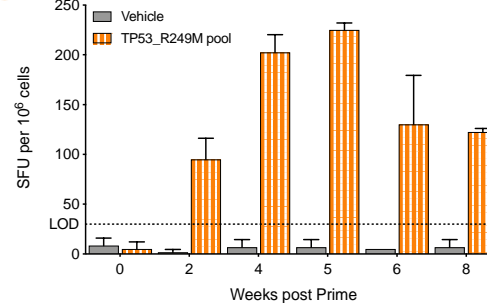
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Ex vivo ELISpot

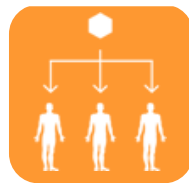


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Ex vivo ELISpot



Optimizing Cassette to Mitigate TP53 Immunodominance and Enhance KRAS Immunogenicity



“version 1”
n=26



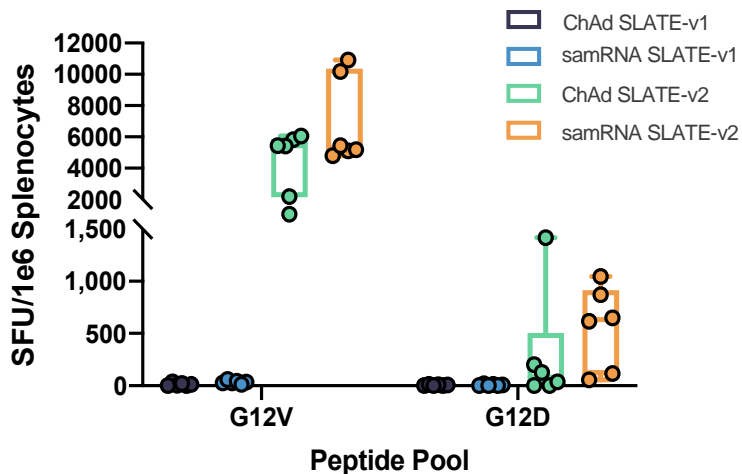
“version 2”
n=11



SLATE: Version 2 of the *KRAS^{mut}* Antigenic Cassette Induces Stronger T-Cell Responses to Multiple *KRAS* Neoantigens in Both Mice and Patients

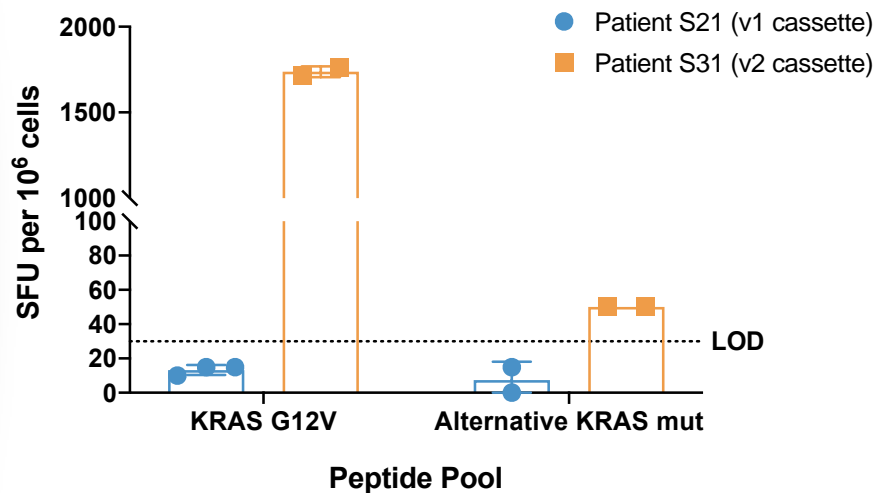
No ex vivo T-cell responses observed in transgenic mice or representative patient with SLATE v1 cassette

HLA Class I Transgenic mice



Overnight stimulation with peptide pool containing 38 minimal epitopes. Background subtracted.

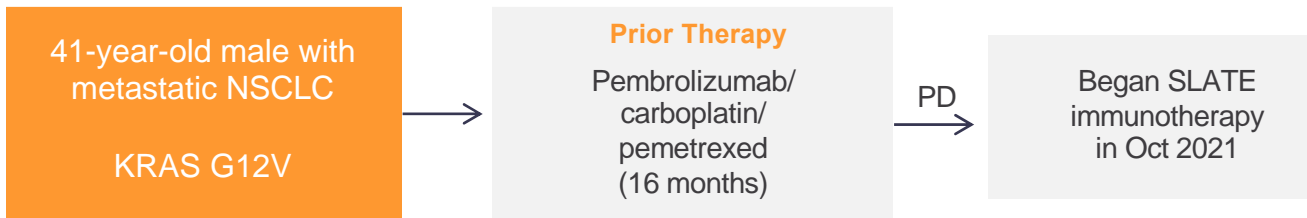
KRAS G12V enrolled patients



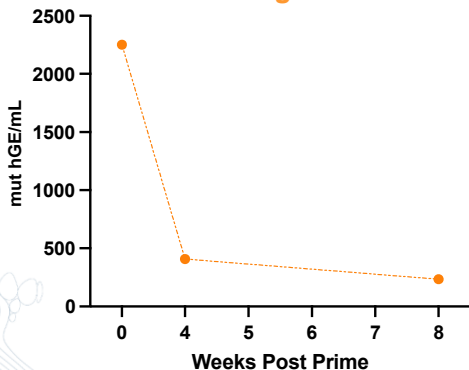
Overnight stimulation with peptide pool containing 38 minimal epitopes. Timepoint collected post-second SAM administration.

S31: Partial Response at First Scan at 8 Weeks with Shrinkage in Both Target Lesions

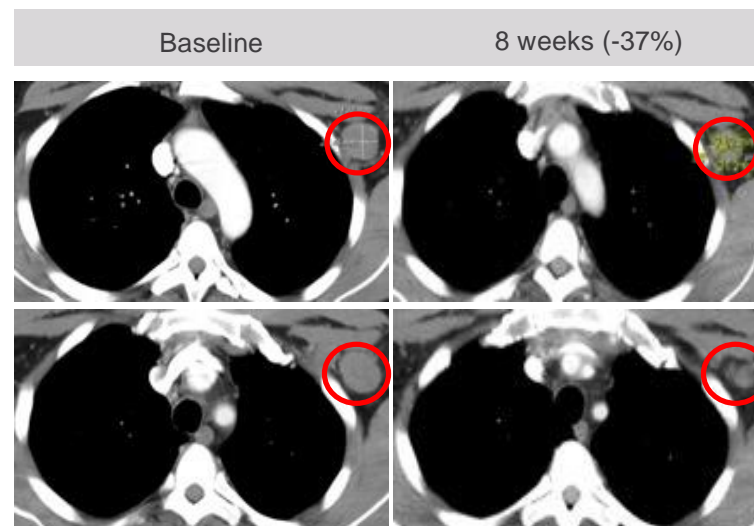
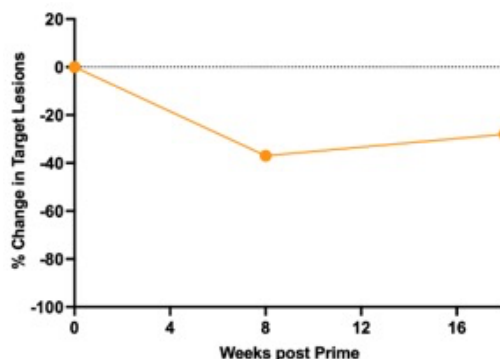
Durable tumor shrinkage with decrease of 28% on confirmatory scan at 18 weeks (scan delayed due to COVID infection)



Neoantigen ctDNA



Target Lesions



SLATE Highlights



Safety & Tolerability

- Neoantigen immunotherapy appears to have a favorable safety and tolerability profile



Efficacy

- Even in advanced NSCLC patients who have progressed on prior chemo-immunotherapy we observe molecular responses and tumor shrinkage in patients with durable clinical benefit
- One patient completed two years on study treatment and now off all treatment



Translational approach

- An emerging hierarchy of neoantigen immunodominance is emerging that may be related to peptide-HLA complex density on tumor cell surface



Clinical Development Strategy

- We aim to move into earlier disease settings to amplify efficacy signals and drive the survival curve plateau higher

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