Combinatorial Immunotherapy for Prostate Cancer:

The "MARCH" Forward

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Combinatorial Immunotherapy

• <u>MA</u> Minimization of Antigen



• <u>Ch</u> Checkpoint Blockade

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Tumor-Bearing MICE (and patients) <u>ALREADY HAVE</u> Anti-Tumor T Cells



Wilimsky, G and Blankenstein T. *Nature*, 437: 141-146, 2005.

Re-Vaccines in Clinical Development

<u>Approach</u>	<u>Company</u>	Developmental Phase	
Dendritic Cell (Sipuleucel T)	Dendreon	2 Phase III Completed 1 Phase III In Progress	
Allogeneic Cell-Based (GVAX)	Cell Genesys	1 Phase III Completed 1 Phase III in progress	
Viral-Based (ProstVac VF)	Therion / NIH	Large single agent Phase II completed Multiple Combinatorial Phase II in progress	
DNA-Based		Phase I and II	
Listeria-Based	Cerus	Preclinical	

Immune Checkpoints = The BRAKES



CTLA-4 PD-1 LAG-3 **4-1BB OX-40** iNOS

Vaccine = The GAS

Microarray Analysis Of Prostate-Infiltrating CD4 Treg Cells

Probe ID	Fold Increase	Gene Definition	Gene Symbol	Cellular Component
TNFSF9	122	Tumor necrosis receptor superfamily, member 9 (41BB)	TNFRSF9	Membrane
234895_at	95	cytotoxic T-lymphocyte-associated protein 4	CTLA4	Membrane
206486_at	86	lymphocyte-activation gene 3	LAG3	Membrane
211269_s_at	58	interleukin 2 receptor, alpha (CD25)	IL2RA	Membrane
223851_s_at	31	tumor necrosis factor receptor superfamily, member 18 (GITR)	TNFRSF18	Membrane
224211_at	17	forkhead box P3	FOXP3	Nucleus

The Brakes are On ...

Anti-CTLA-4 Taking the foot OFF the Brakes



Persistent Antigen = The WALL



The ProHA x TRAMP Mouse (ProTRAMP)

- ProSV40 Oncogenic
- ProHA A Tumor / and Tissue Specific Antigen
- Disease grossly identical to TRAMP



What Happens to Tumor-Specific T Cells in Vivo?

HA Specific CD4 Cells (Thy1.1 +)

i.e. Prostate Specific T Cells

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<u>Recipients</u> C3HA NonTransgenic + VaccHA TRAMP d/d NonTransgenic ProHA ProHA x TRAMP T Cell Expansion (By CFSE Dilution)

T Cell FUNCTION Interferon Gamma Production

Tumorigenesis Breaks "Ignorance"



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But ... Tumor-Specific CD4 T Cells Are Rendered Tolerant



Minimization of Antigen..... (Via Androgen-Ablation)



Drake et al. *Cancer Cell.* 2005;7:239-249.

ECOG 3806



- Premedication Bicalutamide 50 mg PO QD for 28 days of treatment beginning 7 days PRIOR to the first androgen ablation treatment until 21 days after.
- <u>PSA Evaluation</u>, Week 25 Patients on both arms are assessed. PSA > 0.5 ng/ml, patients on either arm are treated at the investigator's discretion and followed. PSA ≤ 0.5 ng/ml, patients stop therapy and have monthly PSA evaluations until PSA progression.

Minimization of Antigen



Surgery Radiation Therapy Androgen-Ablation Chemotherapy

Putting it All Together ...



Barriers to the MARCH

FDA ("Bridge" or Barrier)

• Corporate I.P. Issues

Trial Complexity

Testicular Cancer is NOT CURABLE Using <u>Single-Agent</u> Therapy ...



