Microbiome as Predictor of Benefit and Toxicity in Cancer Immunotherapy



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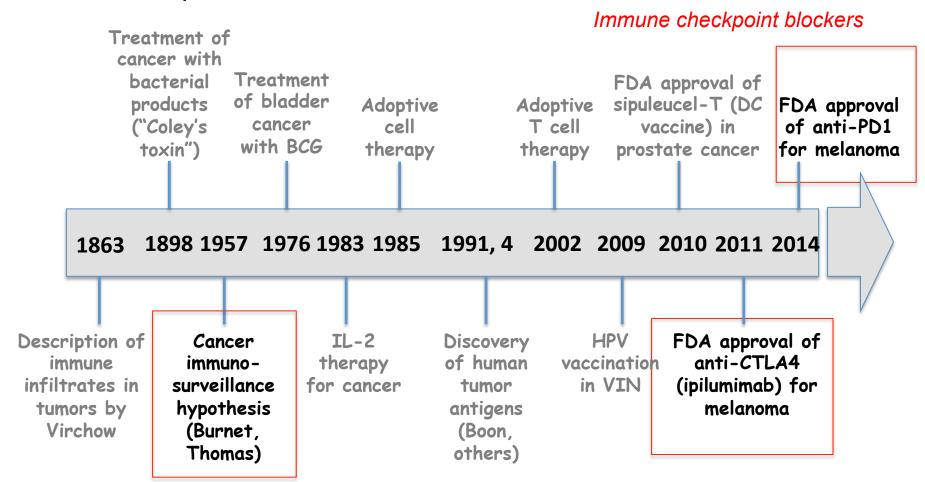
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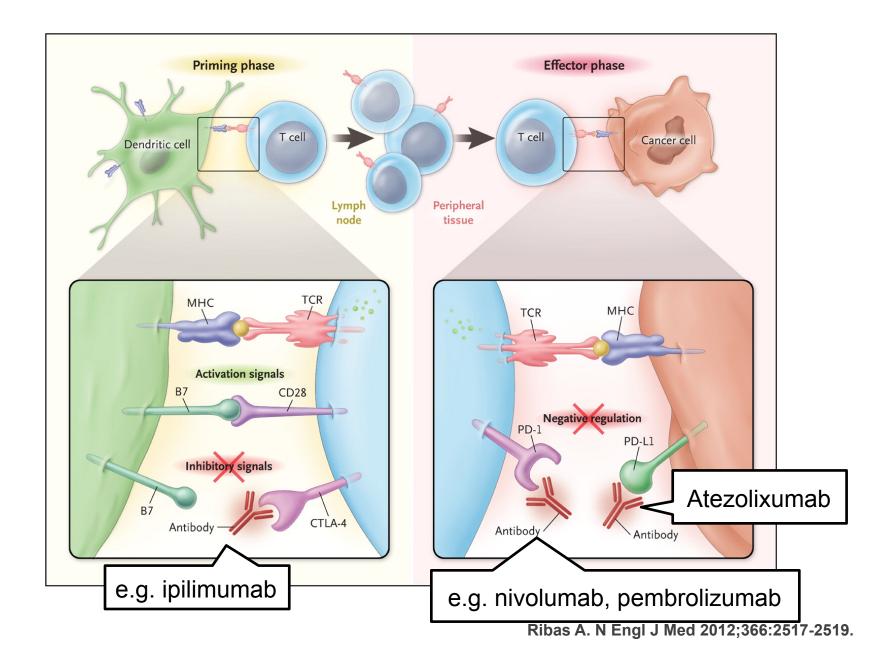


Cancer Immunotherapy

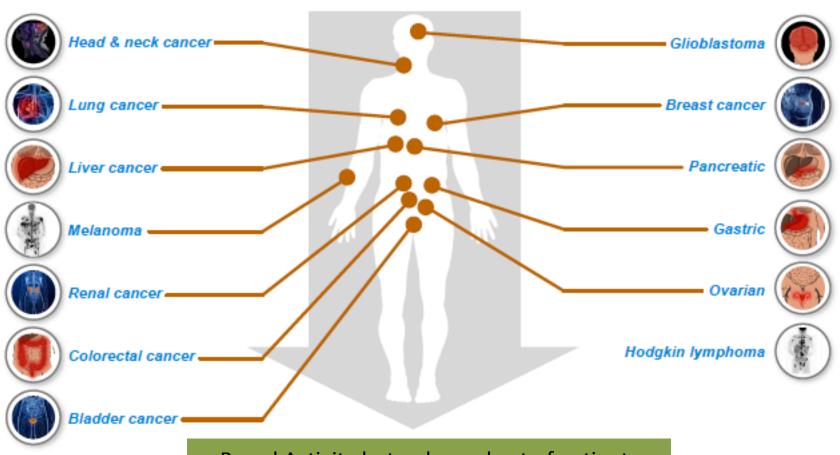
Cancer Immunotherapy is defined as the approach to treat the tumor by either inducing de novo or reactivating tumor specific immune responses



Immune Checkpoint Blockers (ICB)



Despite the Clinical Success in a Variety of Cancers only a Subset of patients Exhibits Durable Responses



Broad Activity but only a subset of patients exhibits durable responses: 15-40 %

Factors Contributing to Anti Cancer Immunity: The Role of The Microbiota



Immunotherapy Not Working? Check Your Microbiota

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Microbiota: a key orchestrator of cancer therapy

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Review

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Resistance Mechanisms to Immune-Checkpoint Blockade in Cancer: Tumor-Intrinsic and -Extrinsic Factors

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The Role of the Microbiome in Cancer Development and Therapy

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Review

Cross-talk between microbiota and immune fitness to steer and control response to anti PD-1/PDL-1 treatment

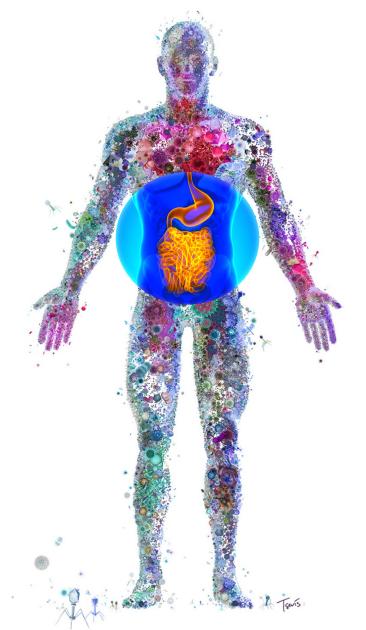
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Microbiome and Anticancer Immunosurveillance

The Human Microbiota



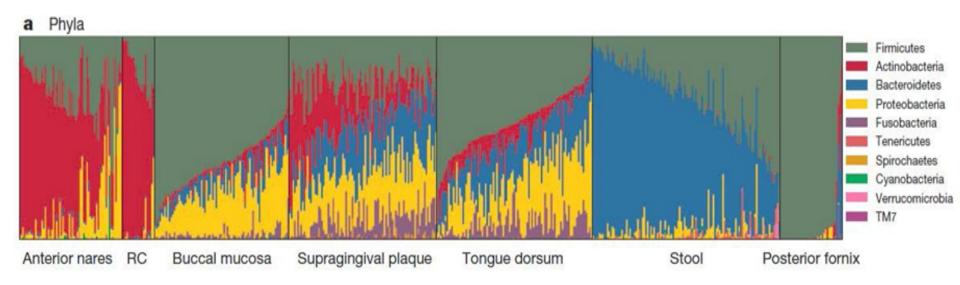


- ➤ The human microbiota is the ensemble of bacteria and other microorganisms (such as archaea, fungi, protozoa and virus) that inhabit the epithelial surface of our body
- ➤ Most of these microorganisms reside in the gastrointestinal tract (10-100 trillions bacteria in the human intestine)



These microorganisms are not just passenger but actively participate in many physiological processes

Human Microbiome Complexity



- Our microbiome is dominated by 4 large groups of bacteria phyla: Firmicutes, Bacteroidetes, Actinobacteria and Proteobacteria
- In the human body each site is different in terms of its predominant microbial types
- > There is considerable variation in microbial composition among healthy individuals
- Several factors can affect microbiota composition (environmental factors, age,life's style, disease, disease treatment)
- Loss of microbial complexity and stability can have detrimental effect to human health

Role of Gut Microbiota

Metabolism

- Provide complement digestive pathway
- Synthesize essential metabolites (vitamins and SCFA)

Host Protection

- · Colonization resistance
 - Innate and adaptive immunity activation

Structural Function

- Maintenance of Mucosal Barrier
 - Adaptive and Innate Immune System development

Microbiota and Cancer Immunotherapy

- ➤ The gut microbiota represents a significant source of human genetic and metabolic diversity
- ➤ Distinct bacteria, or bacterial products can promote alteration in both innate and adaptive immune responses



The microbiota can determine the immune fitness of an individuals and this has consequence in the outcome of therapies that are involving the immune system (toxicity and benefit)

Microbiota and ICB Therapy

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Commensal *Bifidobacterium* promotes antitumor immunity and facilitates anti-PD-L1 efficacy

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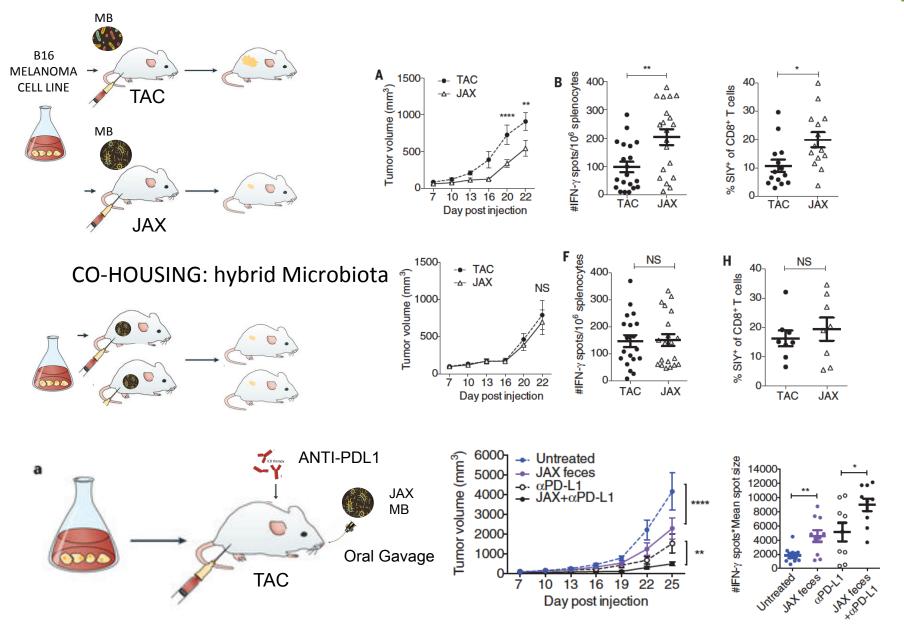
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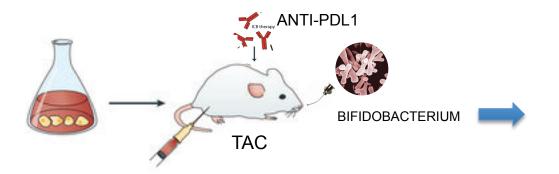
Anticancer immunotherapy by CTLA-4 blockade relies on the gut microbiota

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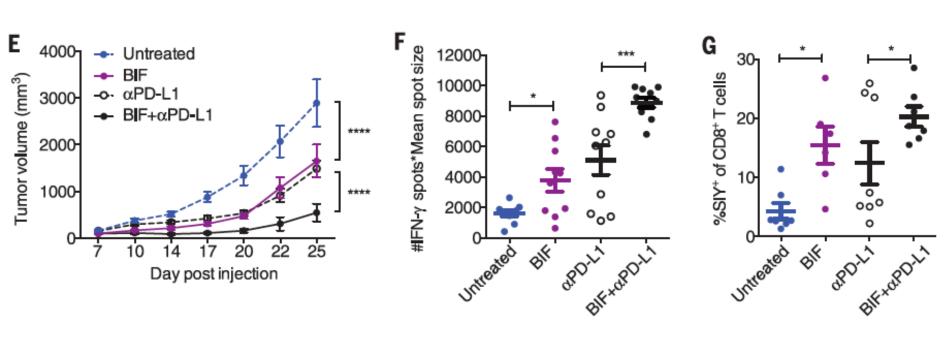
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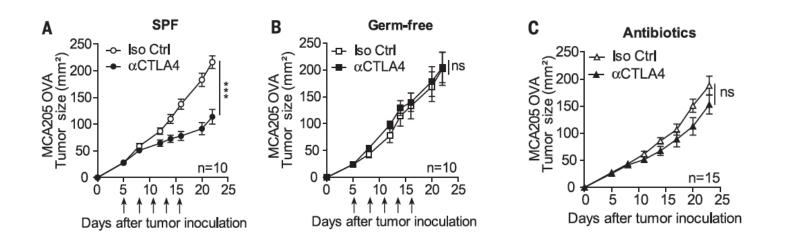
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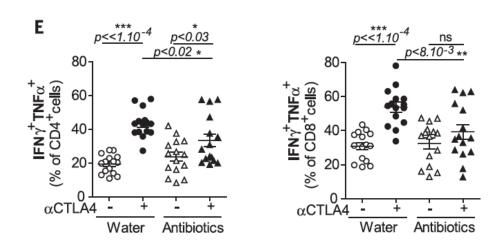


Induces augmented DC function and enhanced CD8+ T cell priming

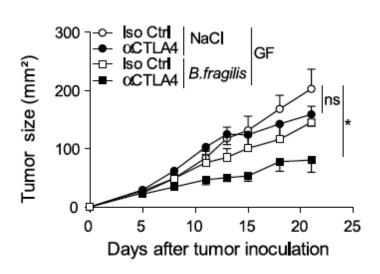


Microbiota is Required for the Immunomodulatory Effect of Anti CTLA-4

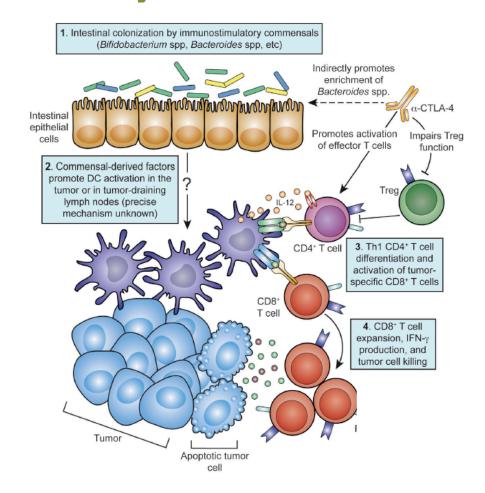




Anti CTLA-4 favours the Overgrowth of Bacteroides Fragilis that Boosts anti Cancer Immunity



Colonization of germ free mice with B. Fragilis improved the anti tumoral response of anti CTLA-4 therapy



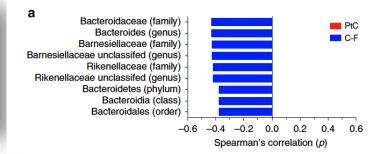
Human Studies



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Intestinal microbiome analyses identify melanoma patients at risk for checkpoint-blockade-induced colitis

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DEVELOPMENTAL THERAPEUTICS—IMMUNOTHERAPY

Association of the diversity and composition of the gut microbiome with responses and survival (PFS) in metastatic melanoma (MM) patients (pts) on anti-PD-1 therapy.

Jennifer Ann Wargo, Vancheswaran Gopalakrishnan, Christine Spencer, Tatiana Karpinets, Alexandre Reuben, Miles Cameron Andrews,

Analysis of 113 fecal samples of patients with MM treated with anti PD-1

- ☐ The gut microbiota of responders had a greater diversity
- Responders had increased abundance of Clostridiales (specifically the Ruminoccocaceae family)
- No association between oral microbiome and response to therapy

Future Directions: Microbiota as Biomarkers

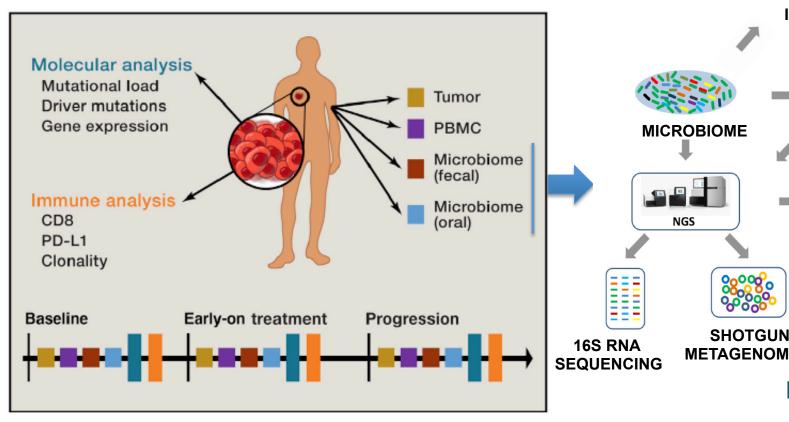
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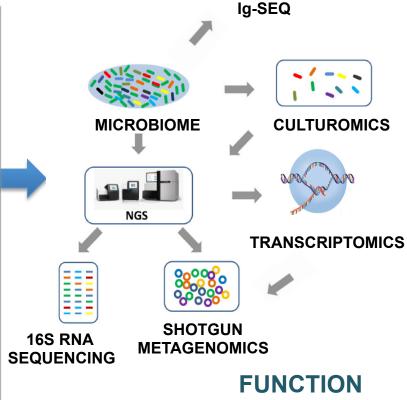


Primary, Adaptive, and Acquired Resistance to Cancer Immunotherany

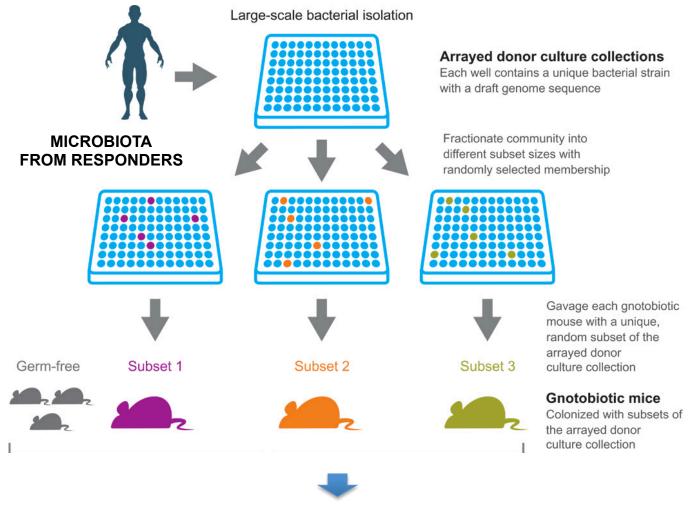
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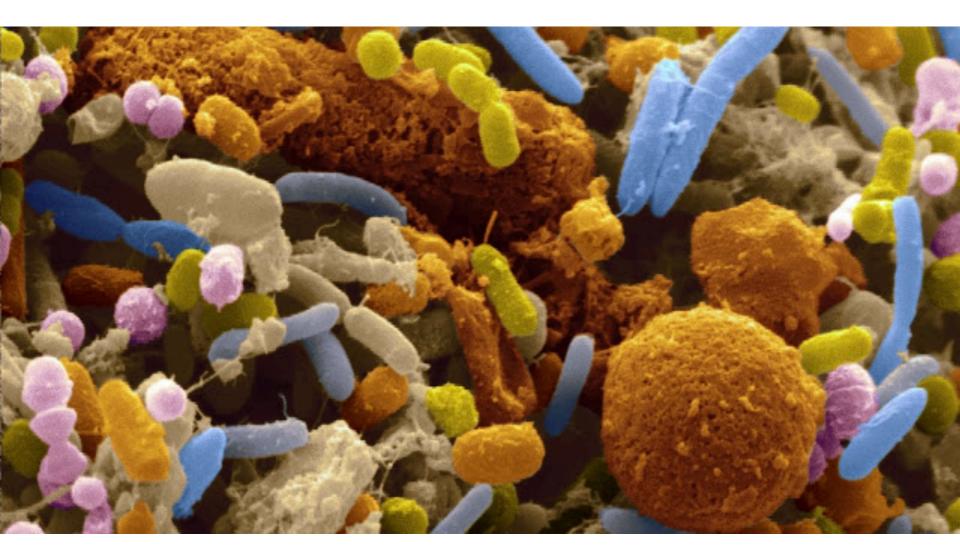




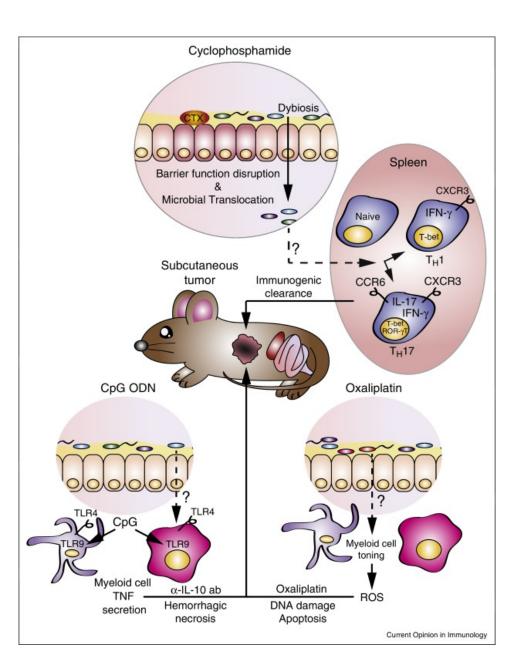
Future Directions: Probiotics



TEST EFFICACY IN MODULATING CANCER IMMUNOTHERAPY IN MOUSE MODELS



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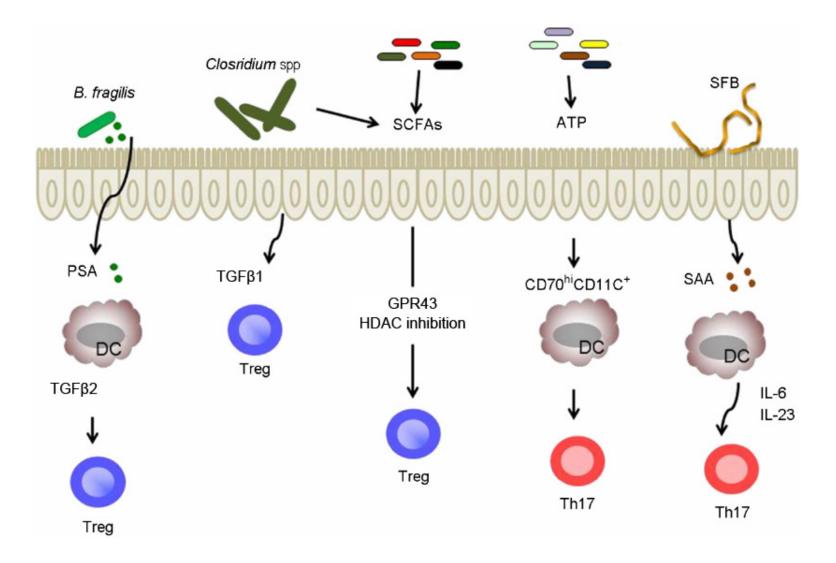


MICE GERM FREE OR ANTIBIOTIC TREATED MICE BEARING SUBCUTANEUS SYNGENIC TUMOURS DO NOT RESPOND TO CHEMOTHERAPIES (OXALIPLATIN AND CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE) AS WELL AS THEIR MICROBIOTA SUFFICIENT COUNTERPARTS.

CTX->TRASLOCATION OF DISTINCT GRAM+
BACTERIA (ENTEROCCOCCUS HIRAE
LACTOBACILLUS JOHNSONII) FROM THE GUT
TO SECONDARY LYMPHOID ORGANS—>
INDUCTION OF TH17 TH1 EFFECTOR T CELLS
THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE ANTI-TUMOUR
EFFICACY OF CTX

OXALIPLATIN- HEALTHY MICROBIOTA IS NECESSARY FOR THE TUMOR INFILTRATION OF MIELOID CELLS WHICH PROMOTE TUMOR REGRESSION BY PRODUCTION OF OXIGEN REACTIVE SPECIES.

Influence of the Microbiota on T cells



Future Directions

