

Experimental Plan

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Thesis Plan

Chapter 1: Clinical Data

C1.1 Analysis of Immune cell make up of publically available RNAseq BL Datasets

- CIBERSORT
- Immune profile
- ECOTYPER
- COO analysis
- GSEA analysis of samples with unique immune profile(?)

###C1.2 Spatial Transcriptomics of sBL Clinical Samples - 4 samples (maybe 6) - Initial IHC: * H+E * CD20 * CD10 * Ki-67 * MYC - Genomic Analysis of MYC status * FISH - ST * 10x Visium * Focus on Immune profile subsets

###C1.3 Mibiscope - Identify proteins of interest from 1.1/1.2

Chapter 2: sBL PDX in Humanised Mice

NK-92 and Rituximab

- 2x PDX?
- WILDseq GFP+ test
- Co-Culture “EC50”
 - Use GFP+ as a proxy for cell viability
 - +/- Rituximab (other Glo-BNHL treatments?)
 - You need to think about this
- Long term co-culture
 - Sort
 - RNAseq
 - Proteomics (?)
 - WILDseq Clonal Selection (?)

C2.1 Humanised vs NSG Pilot

- IHC
- Flow

Project 2: Spatial Transcriptomics of BL

11 Samples of BL acquired from VIVO BioBank

- Want to do stuff similar to these studies:

* [PDAC Spatial Transcriptomics](#)

* [Genomic/Transcriptomic analysis of Clinical BL Samples](#) - Whole Genome, whole exome sequencing - Patient demographics? - Survival outcomes?

Tools

- [NCI GDC data portal](#)
 - Compare gene expression, mutations, survival analytics(?)
- Cibersortx
 - Look at predicted immune populations
- SRA
 - Publicly available BL RNAseq datasets
- GEO

- Gene expression omnibus
- BLGSP
 - BL genome repository (need access)
- ICGC
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 - ICGC 25k argos(?) should have BL cases
- DepMap
 - Cancer dependency on various genes (skews metabolic in terms of relevant output)
- GTEx
 - Adult Genotype-Tissue Expression (GTEx) project
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Paper Plan

Based on PDAC ST paper

- Panel 1:
 - Patient Data
 - a. Correlation survival studies between immune cell infiltration and survival
- Panel 1:
 - Patient sample characterisation
 - a. Work Flow (sample backgrounds, collection from sources)
 - b. Overview of all cell types profiled in the scRNA-seq cohort.
 - c. Overview of spatial transcriptomics cohort
- Panel 2
 - Characterize the tumour (Tumor vs stroma vs immune cells)
 - a. Differential pathway enrichment case-level tumor subpopulations
 - b. Tumor cluster pathway enrichment for specific case
 - c. Tumor cluster pathway enrichment for another specific case
 - d. UMAP of tumor subclusters for specific case
 - e. UMAP of tumor subclusters for specific case
- Panel 3
 - Genomic Landscape and oncogenic driver heterogeneity (??)
- Panel 4
 - Tumour cell heterogeneity in ST data(?)
- Panel 5
 - Immune Populations in TME
- Panel 6
 - Mibiscope

Thesis ID

Looking at characterizing the Human BL TME

- Publically available BL Data
- VISIUM internal samples
- Mibiscope Internal Samples

Publically available datasets analysis

- Talk to Jamie again

- 10x Visium transcriptomics
 - T Cell Dynamics
 - * Infiltration
 - * Exhaustion
 - NK cell dynamics
 - Places to get it done:

- * CI (no)
- * [Source Bioscience](#)
- * Wellcome Sanger Institute
 - Teichmann Lab used 10x Visium
- MIBIScope Comparison
 - Does Protein expression map onto spatial gene expression?
 - Collaborate with Nina in Germany

Publically Available RNAseq

1. The iDEP or TACITuS pipeline for transcriptomic profiling and GSEA/pathway analysis.
2. The CIBERSORT immune-cell deconvolution algorithm to obtain cell-fractions and gene expression/enrichment scores of tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes.
3. The GEPIA2 database for survival analysis correlating to immune infiltration and/or differential gene expression.

A20 Modelling the BL Tumour Microenviroment

Overview

- Using A20 to model BL immune TME
 - Look specifically at T-cell infiltration
 - Immune evasion mechanisms deployed by BL
- Compare results to patient data
- Apply findings to humanised mouse models of BL PDX

Issues

- What is the Biological/clinical relevance of this model?
- Are you priming an infiltrating response due to the nature of cell injections causing necrosis (thereby stimulating the immune system)

Background

- The impact of immune TME in BL is unclear
- BL

Experimental Plan

E1: NSG vs BALB/C A20 injection

E1 Overview

- Compare between immunocompetent and immunocompromised mice
- Basic actors to compare
 - Tumour growth rate
 - Tumour size

Injection Plan

Group	Strain	Location	Cell Injection
1	BALB/c	Sub-cut	A20

Group	Strain	Location	Cell Injection
2	BALB/c	IP	A20
3	NSG	IP	A20
4	NSG	Sub-cut	A20

IHC Panel

- Compare markers between tumour types
- Burkitt IHC identification:
 - CD10+ (B-Cell Germinal Centre)
 - Bcl-2-
 - Ki-67%hi (proliferation index)

Potential IHC Panel Markers

Cell Type	Marker
Proliferation marker	Ki67
B cell	CD20
T cells (all)	CD3
T Cells (cytotoxic)	CD8
T cells (helper)	CD 4
Dendritic Cells	CD11c
Macrophage	F4/80

Flow Panel

- Options are:
 - Standard T Cell
 - TRegs
 - B-cells
 - DC Mono CD11c
 - Th17
 - Tfh
- Check what Swetha ordered
- Box 7 antibody sheet dropbox

Standard T Cell

Cell Type	Marker
T Memory	CXCR3
Naive Immune Cells	CCR7
Naive T Cells	CD45RA
Th17	CCR6
GC B-Cells	CD38
TRegs (Helper)	CD4
Macrophage	HLA-DR
T Cells (all)	CD3
T Cells (Cytotoxic)	CD8

E2: Trial BL Therapies

- Balb/c drug vs no drug vs WS-A20 drug vs WS-A20 no drug
 - Want to compare effect of GFP on immune cell infiltration

- Look at clonal dynamics of rituximab treatment
- Glo-BNHL Trial
 - Odronextamab
 - * CD20xCD3 Bispecific antibody
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Loncastuximab tesirine

- Rituximab
- CAR treatments?
- Bi-Specific antibodies (check that they can be applied to mice)
- Rituximab comparison
 - Clonal dynamics of Rituximab treatment
 - * WILDseq

E3: Immune focused CRISPR Screen

- Immune compromised vs Immune competent
 - Think very carefully about specific mouse models (some still have macrophages, NK cells, ect.)
 - [JAX Lab Article](#)

Ideas

Ferritin as a drug delivery system

- Does BL have increased Tfr1 expression relative to normal cells/B cells?