Membrane-localized Keratin-14 Promotes Invasion*

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Abstract. Metastasis is the main predictor of outcome for patients with cancer, yet the molecular mechanism driving invasive phenotypes is not well understood. Keratin 14 (K14) is a known molecular biomarker that is correlated with poor outcomes in breast cancer patients. In this study, we apply our automated computer model that quantifies the invasive potential of tumors to characterize K14 expression as it relates to invasion. We test the hypothesis that K14 is directly correlated to invasion versus the alternative hypothesis that size is the main predictor. We used two different transgenic mice as our breast cancer tumor models. Organoids were generated from these mice, and each organoid had a corresponding differential interference contrast image, K14 image, and an invasive potential score generated using our automated system. The parameters assessed include the following: entire K14 expression, peripheral K14 expression (edges of the organoid), central K14 expression (center of the organoid), and organoid size. Peripheral K14 expression showed the strongest correlation with invasion scores for both types of transgenic mice. The results suggest that K14 expression in cells located in the periphery may be an important marker of invasion.

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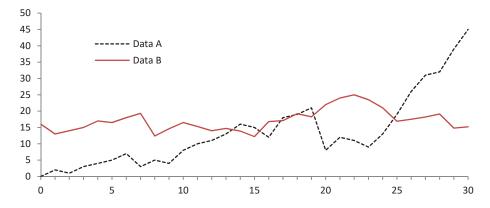


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