

# SITC 2016

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**Nektar Therapeutics Investor Meeting**  
**November 9, 2016**

# Today's Agenda

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## Welcome

- Howard W. Robin, President & CEO, Nektar

## NKTR-214 Phase 1 Dose Escalation Study Clinical Data Presentation

- Dr. Adi Diab, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Assistant Professor, Department of Melanoma Medical Oncology, Division of Cancer Medicine, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX
- Dr. Jonathan Zalevsky, Vice President of Biology and Preclinical Development, Nektar

## NKTR-214 Clinical Development Program

- Dr. Mary Tagliaferri, Vice President of Clinical Development, Nektar

## Panel Discussion with Q & A

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# Today's Speakers

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# **NKTR-214 Phase 1 Dose Escalation Study Clinical Data Presentation**

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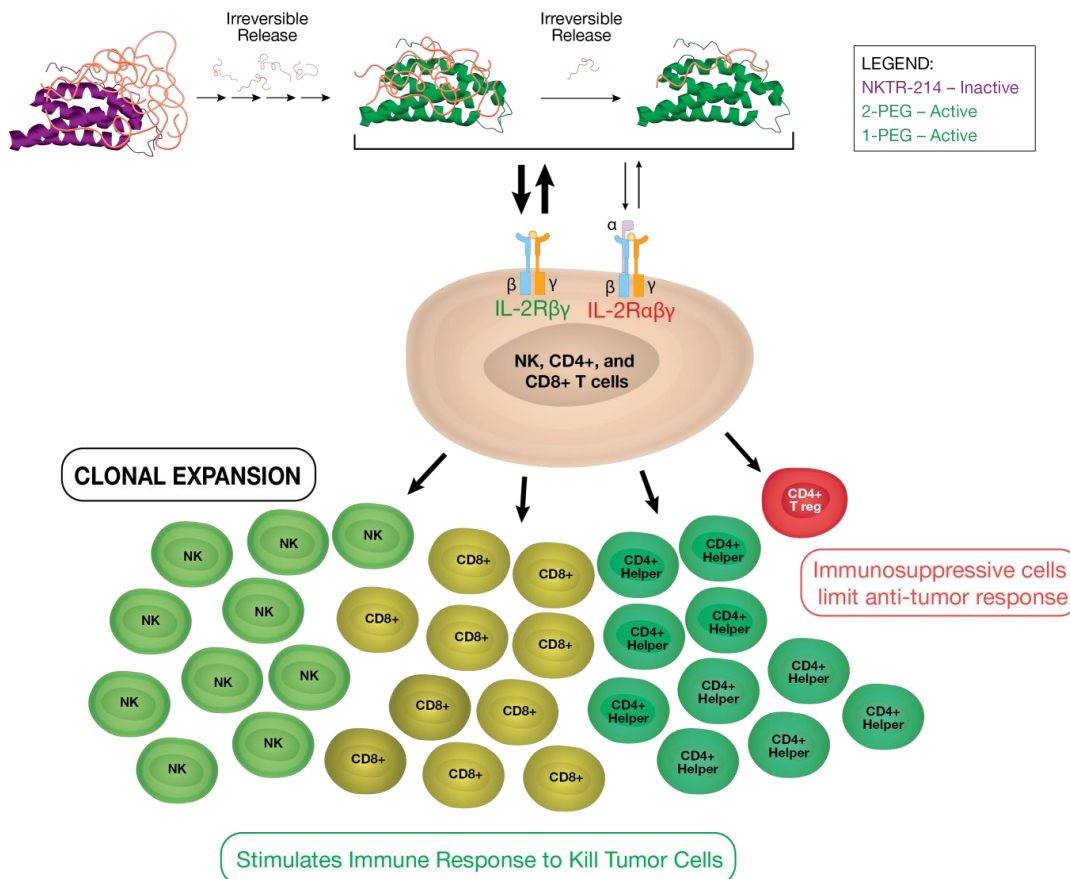
# Harnessing the IL-2 Pathway the Right Way to Increase TILs

Prodrug (inactive)

NKTR-214  
(6-PEG)

2-PEG  
Active Cytokine

1-PEG  
Active Cytokine



- Prodrug design to enable safe, outpatient dosing Q2w or Q3w
- Active cytokine species bias signaling through the heterodimeric IL-2 receptor pathway (IL-2R $\beta\gamma$ )
- Biased and sustained signaling to preferentially activate and expand effector CD8+ T and NK cells over Tregs in the tumor microenvironment

# Trial Design

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## Study Design and Treatment

- Phase 1 dose escalation study evaluating the safety, tolerability and immune phenotyping of NKTR-214 in patients with advanced solid tumors
- NKTR-214 administered as a 15-minute IV infusion every 2-3 weeks
- The study is a standard 3+3 dose escalation design
- Tumor and blood samples collected
- Radiographic scans completed at baseline and every 8 weeks
- Patients continued on NKTR-214 monotherapy until they meet criteria for study discontinuation (withdrawal of consent, adverse event [AE], progressive disease [PD] or death)

# Trial Design

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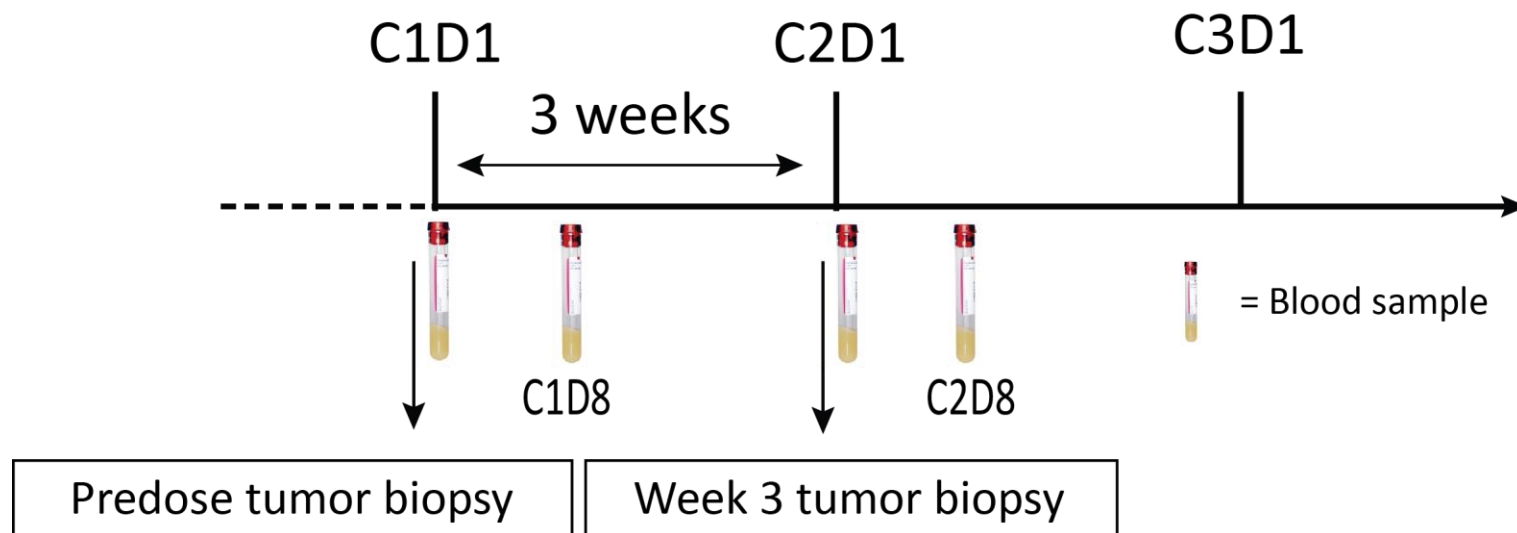
## Patient Population

- Adults age 18 and older with histologically confirmed locally advanced or metastatic solid tumors

## Study Objectives

- Safety and tolerability
- Define the maximum tolerated dose (MTD) of NKTR-214
- Objective response rate per RECIST 1.1
- Biomarkers of immune activation in the tumor and blood

# PD and Biomarker Collection Scheme



## Tumor Analysis

- ✓ Fresh TIL analysis by flow cytometry
- ✓ IHC
- ✓ T cell receptor gene sequencing
- ✓ Gene expression analysis

## Blood Analysis

- ✓ Flow cytometry
- ✓ Cytokines
- ✓ PK
- ✓ PD (sCD25, lymphocytes)



# Patient Characteristics

Characteristics	No. of Patients	%	
Sex:	Male	16	64
	Female	9	36
Age (years):	Median	60	
	Range	34-77	
Tumor Histology:	Renal cell carcinoma	15	60
	Malignant melanoma	6	24
	Bladder cancer	1	4
	Chondrosarcoma	1	4
	Colorectal adenocarcinoma	1	4
	Leiomyosarcoma	1	4
EGOG Performance Status:	0	15	60
	1	10	40
	Median	2	
	Range	1-12	
Prior Therapies	Chemotherapy	9	36
	Immune checkpoint inhibitor	15	60
	Targeted therapy	16	64

Abbreviations: ECOG, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group

# NKTR-214 Monotherapy Dose Escalation: Related Treatment Emergent AEs

	Grade 1-2					Grade 3				
Preferred Term	0.003 q3w (n=4)	0.006 q3w (n=9)	0.006 q2w (n=5)	0.009 q3w (n=6)	0.012 q3w (n=1)	0.003 q3w (n=4)	0.006 q3w (n=9)	0.006 q2w (n=5)	0.009 q3w (n=6)	0.012 q3w (n=1)
Hypotension	2	5	2	1			1		1	1 <sup>†</sup>
Infusion reaction									1	
Syncope										1 <sup>†</sup>
Fatigue	2	6	3	4	1					
Pruritus	2	6	2	3	1					
Cough		5	1	3	1					
Decreased appetite		5	2	3						
Pyrexia	2	3	2	3						
Chills	1	1	3	4						
Dizziness	1	3	1	1						
Nasal congestion	1	1	1	3						
Nausea	1	2	1	2						
Arthralgia		3	2							
Influenza like illness	1	2	1	1						
Myalgia		2	1	2						
Edema peripheral		3	1	1						
Rash maculo-papular			2	3						
Headache	2		1	1						
Rash erythematous	1	2		1						

- 4/25 (16%) patients experienced a Grade 3 TEAE. G3 hypotension rapidly reversed with fluids and all patients continued on treatment.
- Hydration guidelines, including discontinuation of antihypertensive medications, implemented May 1, 2016 resulted in Grade 3 drug-related hypotension decreasing to only 1/20 (5%) patient

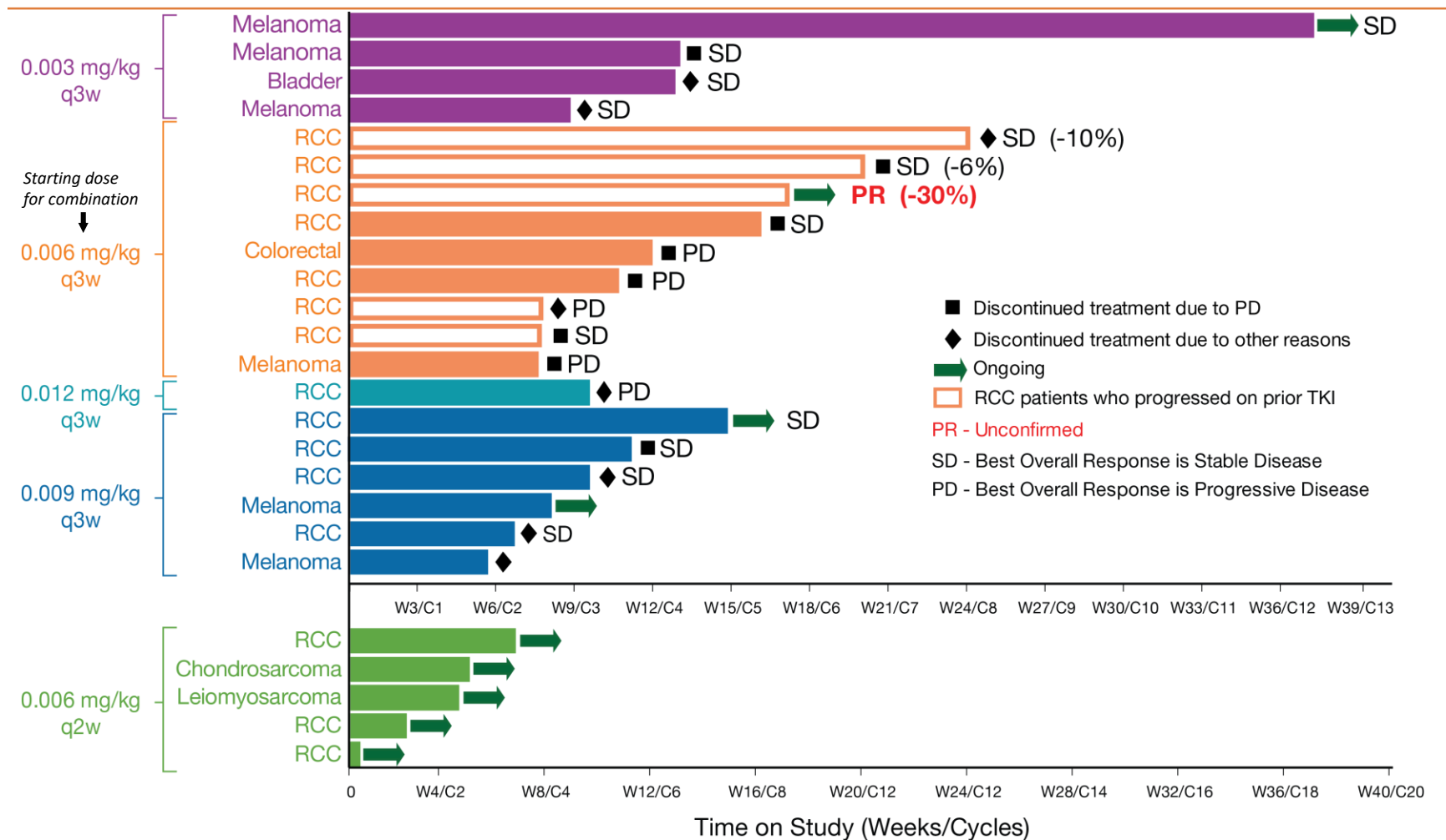
<sup>†</sup>Hypotension and syncope in the patient treated at 0.012 mg/kg occurred at the same time.

# NKTR-214: Safety Summary

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- NKTR-214 has a favorable safety and tolerability profile with convenient, outpatient 15 minute IV dosing regimen once every 2 or 3 weeks
- Most common grade 1-2 adverse events were fatigue, pruritis, cough, decreased appetite, pyrexia, and hypotension
- No immune-related AEs were observed (e.g. colitis, dermatitis, hepatitis, pneumonitis, adrenal insufficiency)
- No deaths or grade 4 AEs related to NKTR-214
- No capillary leak syndrome was observed at any dose
- One patient experienced a dose-limiting toxicity (DLT) of hypotension/syncope at 0.012 mg/kg q3w and continued on treatment at 0.006 mg/kg q3w
- There were 3 reports of grade 3 hypotension (of 25 patients treated in the study to-date), all of which were rapidly reversed with fluid administration and all patients continuing on treatment with NKTR-214

# Time on Study and Best Overall Response

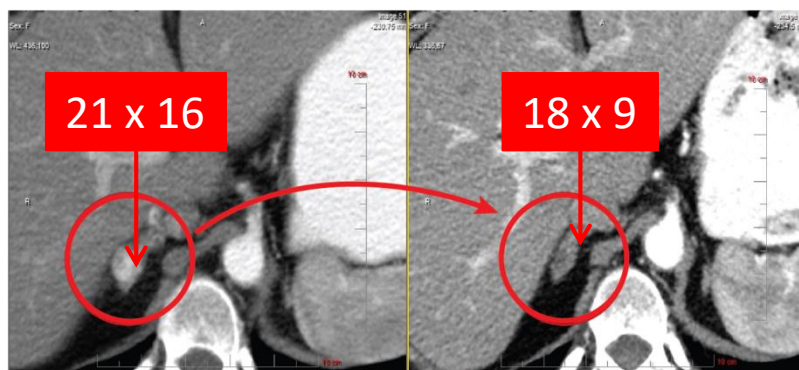


# Case 1: 60-Year old female with RCC and uPR

## Right Adrenal

Day 1

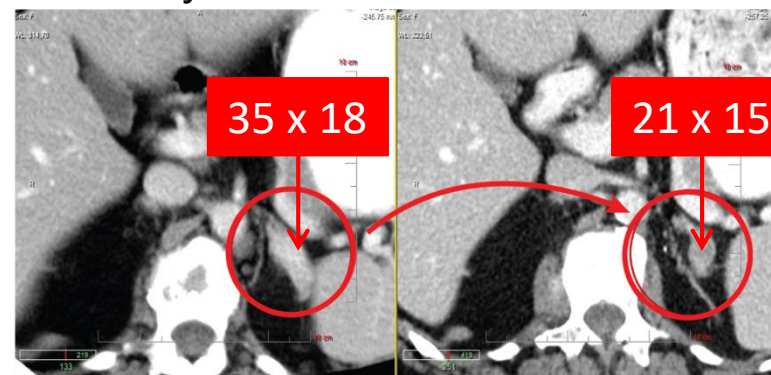
Week 16



## Left Adrenal

Day 1

Week 16



- 60 year old female with RCC and metastatic disease in the adrenal gland; patient previously progressed on a TKI

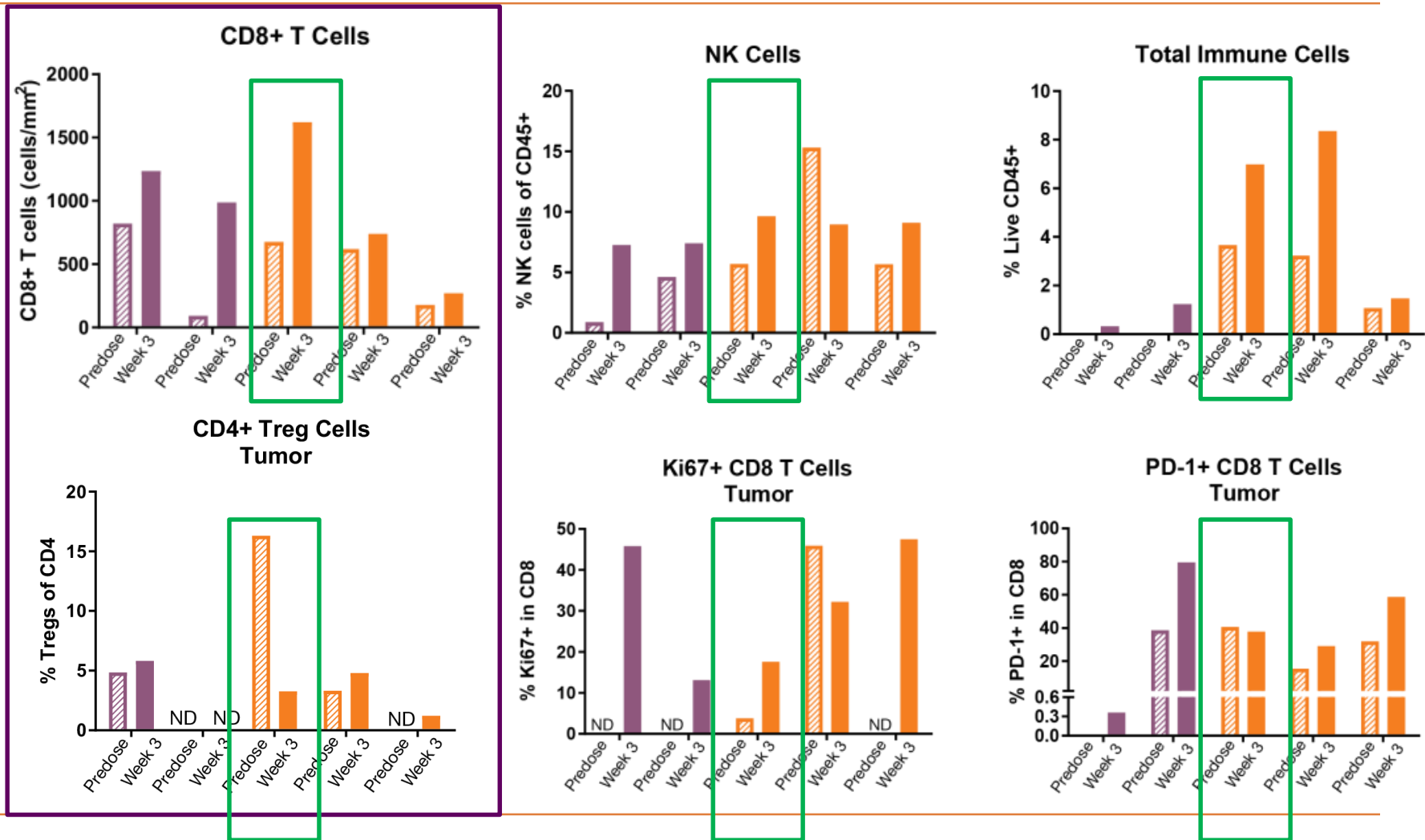
	16-week Scan
RECIST 1.1	-30%
Immune related response criteria (bi-dimensional)	-51%

# Encouraging Evidence of Clinical Activity

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- 7/18 (39%) evaluable patients had radiographic reductions per RECIST 1.1
- 12/18 (72%) had SD at initial 8 week scan
- Patient on study the longest has received 13 cycles with stable disease for ~9 months (BRAF-positive melanoma)
- In the 18 evaluable patients, 5 had metastatic RCC and had progressed on 1 prior TKI
  - 3/5 experienced radiographic reductions at the 0.006 mg/kg q3w dose
  - 1/5 had an unconfirmed PR per RECIST 1.1
  - 2/5 had tumor reductions of 6% and 10% per RECIST 1.1

# NKTR-214 Activates the Immune System in Tumor



## Case 2: 59 year old male with RCC who progressed on prior TKI

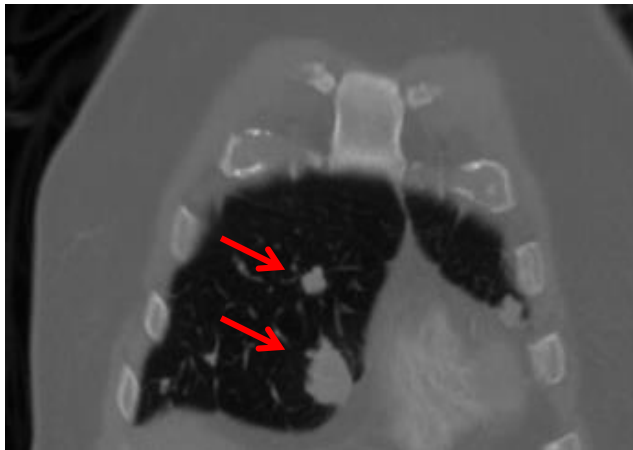
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- Patient initiated NKTR-214 with large burden of disease on 3/14/2016
- Patient received 8 cycles (0.006 mg/kg q3w) for six months with stable disease and maximum radiographic reduction in tumor of 10%
- Week 3 tumor biopsy showed strong evidence of active immune infiltrate including an effector gene signature
- Patient discontinued from NKTR-214 and was started on nivolumab one week later
- At first 8-week scan after nivolumab, patient experienced remarkable treatment response with significant reduction in tumor burden of >50%
- Clinical case study demonstrating potential for synergy of NKTR-214 with anti-PD-1



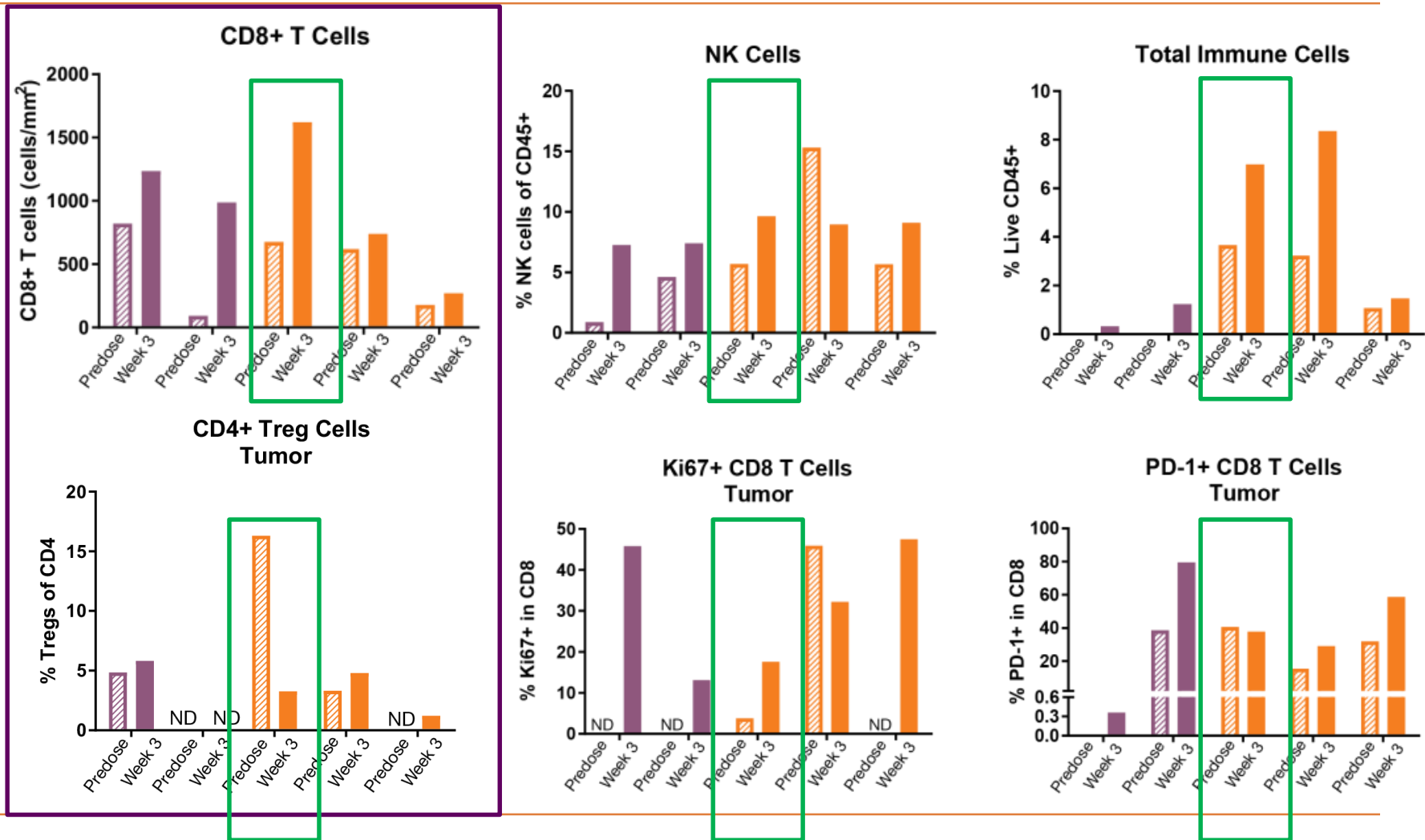
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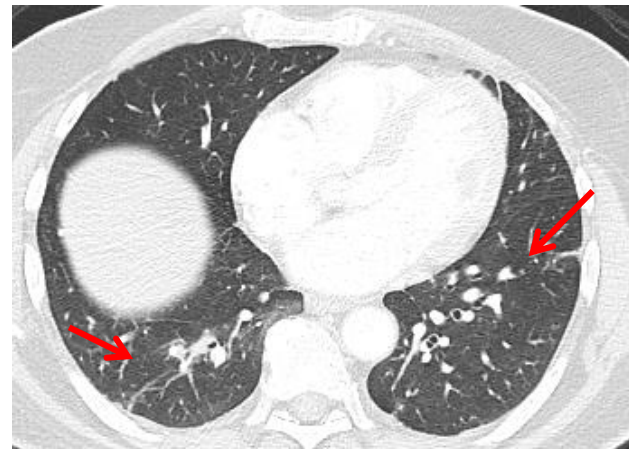
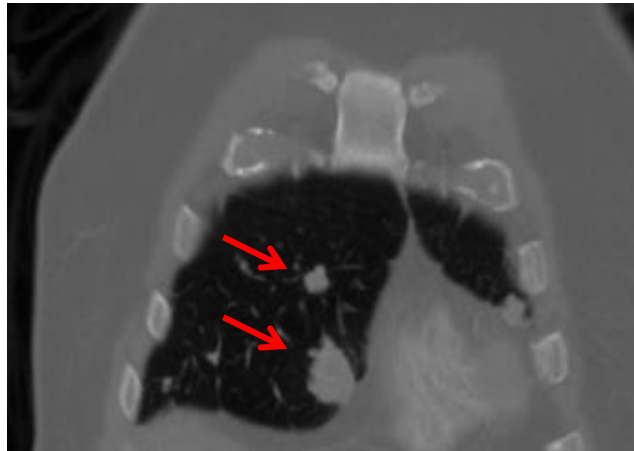


**Scan post NKTR-214; Pre-nivolumab**

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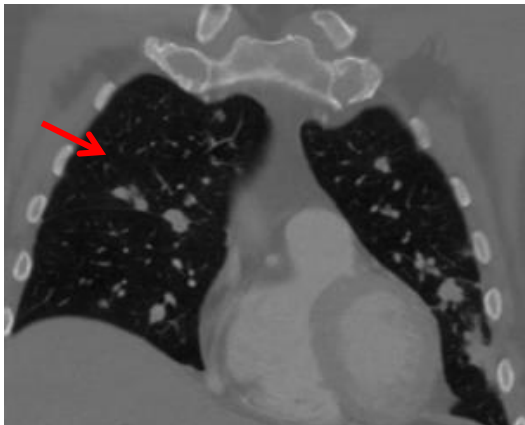
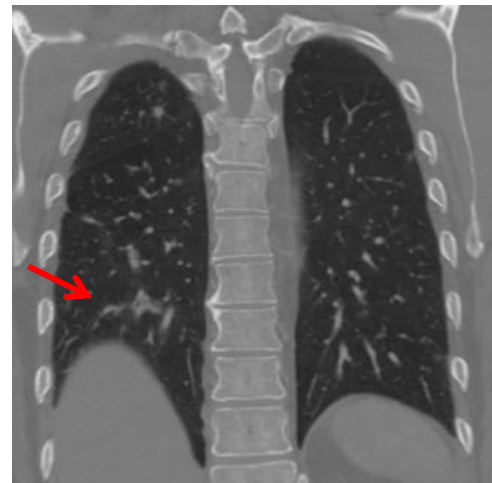
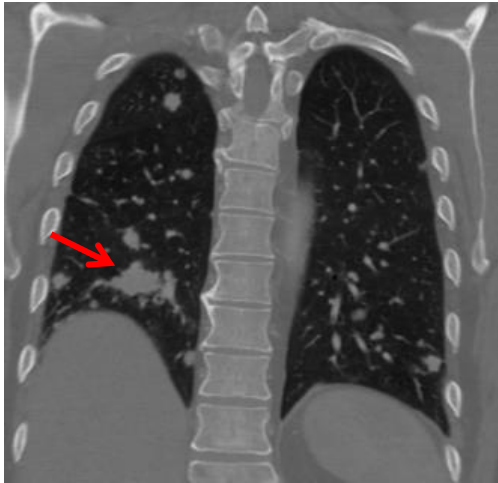
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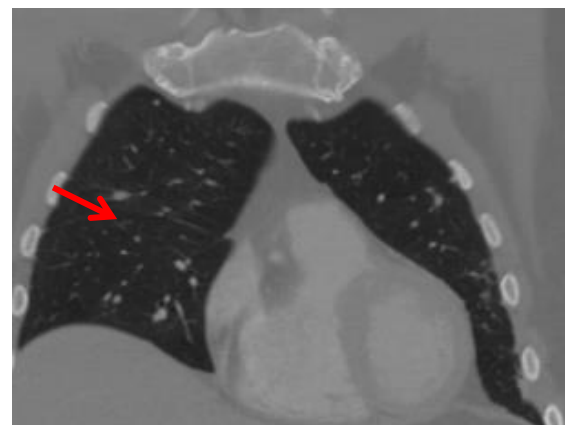
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**First 8-week scan post-nivolumab**

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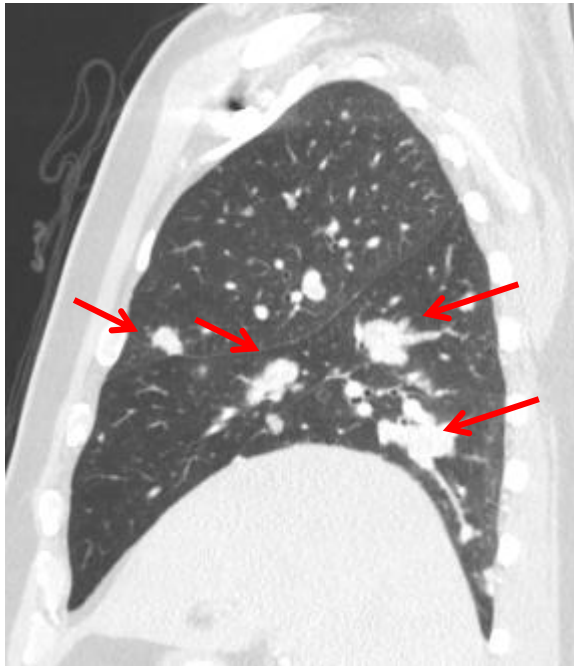
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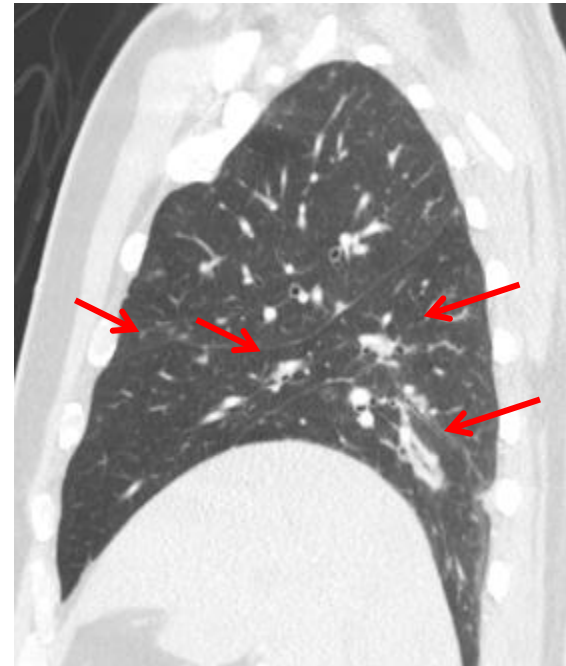
**First 8-week scan post-nivolumab**

## Case 2: 59 year old male with RCC, prior treatment with TKI

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**Scan post NKTR-214; Pre-nivolumab**



**First 8-week scan post-nivolumab**

# Conclusions

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- NKTR-214 has a favorable safety and tolerability profile with convenient, outpatient 15 minute IV dosing regimen once every 2 or 3 weeks
- Encouraging evidence of clinical activity in heavily pre-treated patient population
  - 7/18 evaluable patients had radiographic reductions per RECIST 1.1 on NKTR-214
  - In the 18 evaluable patients, 5 had metastatic RCC and had progressed on 1 prior TKI; 3/5 experienced radiographic reductions at the 0.006 mg/kg q3w dose
    - **1/5 had an unconfirmed partial response per RECIST 1.1**
    - **2/5 had tumor reductions of 6% and 10% per RECIST 1.1**
- NKTR-214 induces a robust immune-stimulatory response in the tumor and blood
- Tolerability, activity and pharmacokinetic profile supported evaluation of q2w dosing, which commenced in September 2016
- The ability of NKTR-214 to increase TILs and increase PD-1 expression on immune cells provides strong biologic rationale for combination with anti-PD1 checkpoint inhibitors

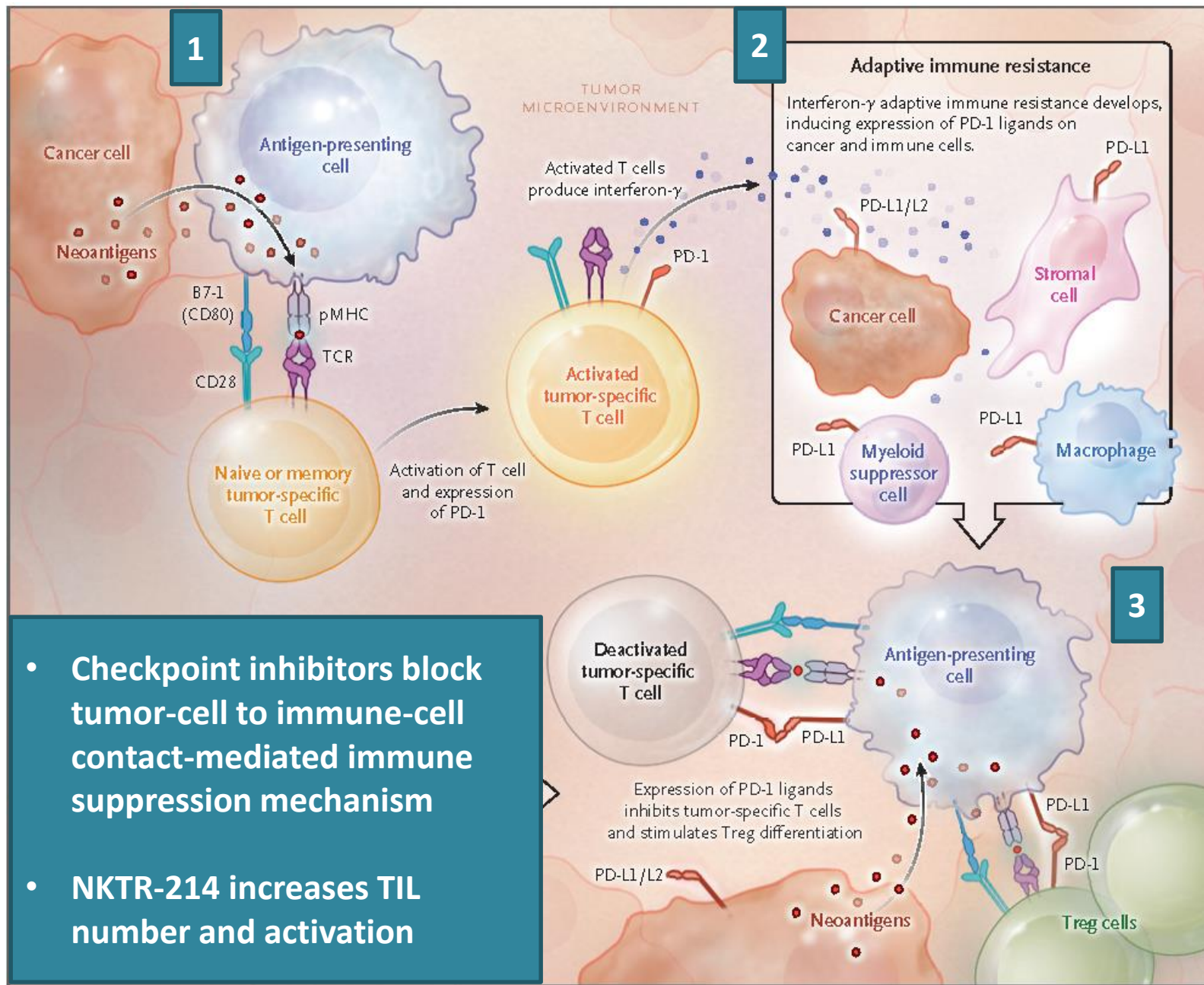


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- Checkpoint inhibitors block tumor-cell to immune-cell contact-mediated immune suppression mechanism
- NKTR-214 increases TIL number and activation



# Clinical Program Includes In-Depth Immune Biomarker Program to Characterize the MOA of NKTR-214 in Cancer Patients

## Comprehensive Immunological and Pharmacodynamic Monitoring

### Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics

- AUC, C<sub>max</sub>, T<sub>1/2</sub>,
- sCD25
- Lymphocytes
- Anti-drug antibodies

### Tumor Biopsies

- T, B, NK cells
- PD-1 expression
- Mechanism of action
- Gene expression
- IHC
- T-cell receptor repertoire

### Blood Samples

- Mechanism of action
- Gene expression
- T, B, NK cells
- T cell memory, function
- T-cell receptor repertoire

Establish RP2 dose, confirm MOA, evaluate signals of response

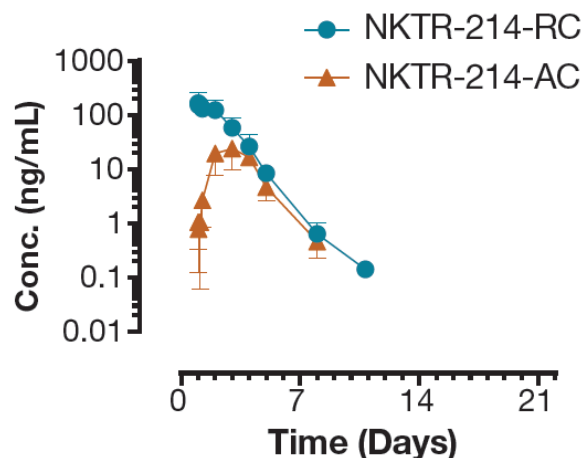
# Questions the Biomarker Program is Designed to Help Answer

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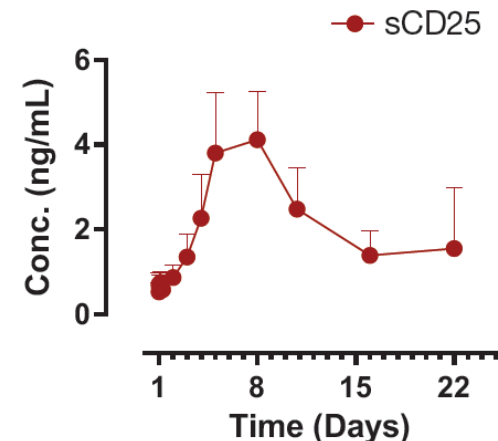
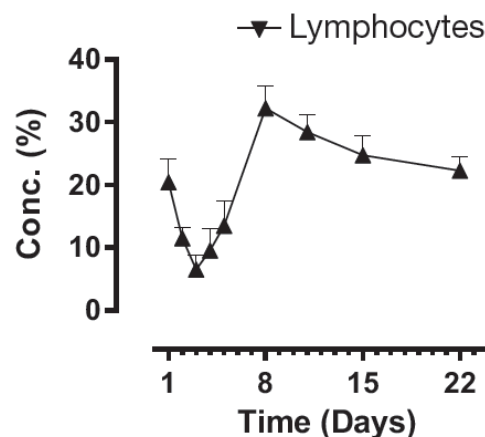
- What are the primary pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of NKTR-214?
- Does NKTR-214 cause the expected increase in lymphocyte proliferation and systemic immune activation?
- Does NKTR-214 increase the abundance and activation of immune cells in the tumor microenvironment?
  - If yes, are these new or previously existing T cell clones?
- What is the biological evidence for dose-level and regimen?

# Sustained Exposure and Robust PD Changes After a Single Dose of NKTR-214

## Pharmacokinetics (0.006 mg/kg, n=9)



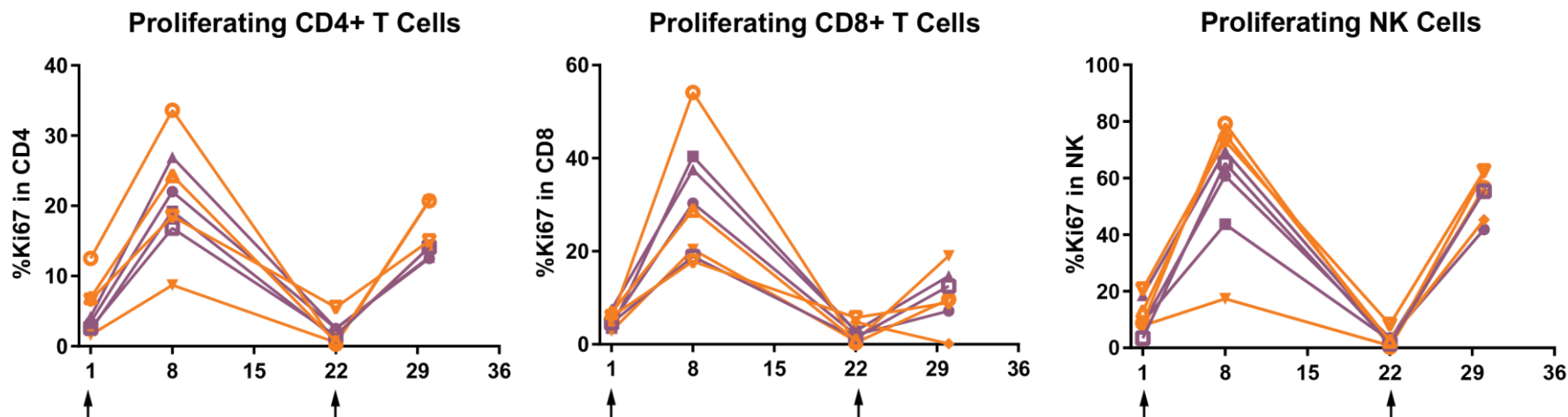
## Pharmacodynamics (0.006 mg/kg, n=9)



- Sustained exposure with half-life of ~20 hours
- Gradual increase in active cytokine species, reaching  $C_{max}$  1-2 days post dose
- Exposure increases in proportion to dose

- Transient decrease (Day 3) followed by increase (Day 9) in lymphocytes, consistent with observations after HD-IL-2
- Transient increase in soluble IL-2 receptor alpha (sCD25), shed from activated T cells
- PD effects return to baseline by 14 days post-dose on Day 15
- Similar PD effects observed across dose levels

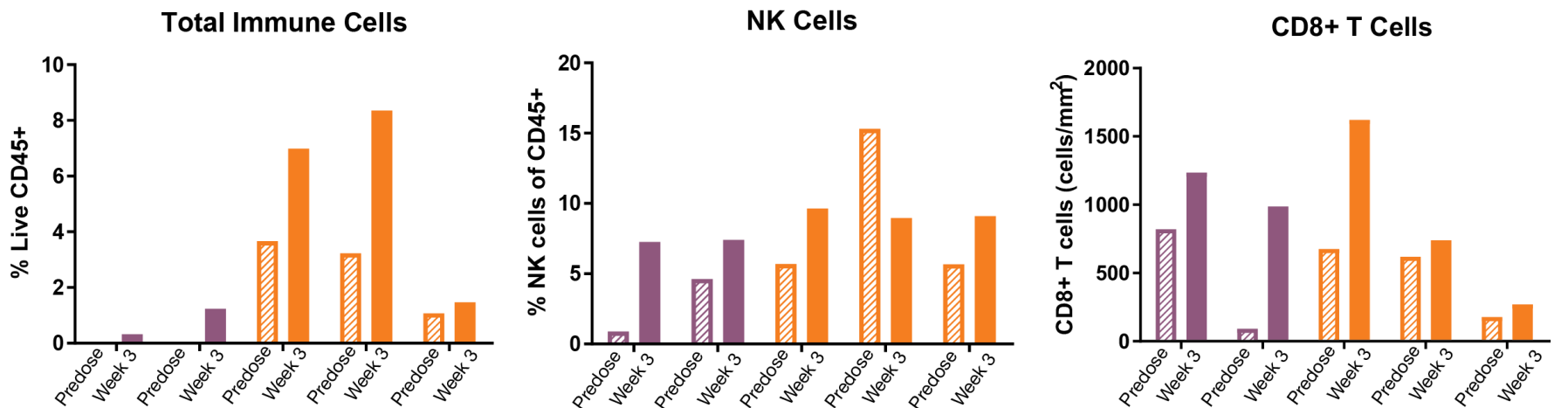
# Peripheral Blood: NKTR-214 Promotes Proliferation of CD4, CD8, and NK Cells



- Every patient evaluated had proliferating CD4+, CD8+ T cells & NK cells
- Effects reproduced with repeat administration
- Effects consistent with increases in total cell numbers
- CD4+ T cells expressed activation markers PD-1, ICOS, TIM-3, and CTLA-4

Purple: 0.003 mg/kg (n=4)  
Orange: 0.006 mg/kg (n=5)  
Dosing Day  
Flow cytometry of PBMCs  
Ki67 is a marker of cell proliferation

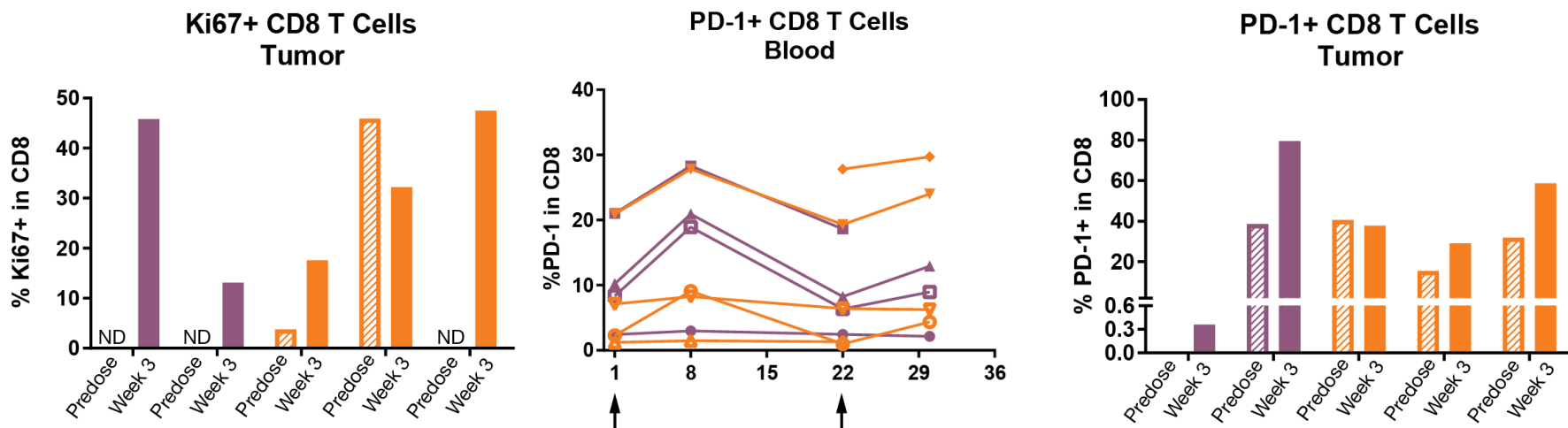
# Tumor: NKTR-214 Increases Immune Cells Including CD8 and NK Cells



- Increases in immune cell populations observed in 5/5 patients
- The immune cell elevations (observed at Week 3) outlasted measurable plasma exposure to NKTR-214
- Good concordance between IHC and flow cytometry for cell analysis of tumor biopsies

Purple: 0.003 mg/kg (n=2)  
Orange: 0.006 mg/kg (n=3)  
Hatched bars are predose & solid bars are Week 3 biopsy samples  
Total immune cells (CD45+) and NK cells (CD3-, CD19-, CD56+) obtained from fresh tissue flow cytometry; CD8 T cells from IHC

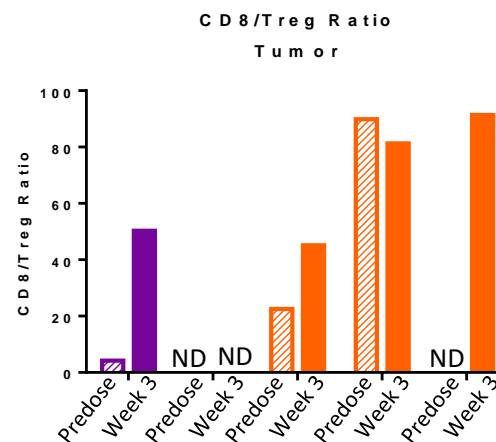
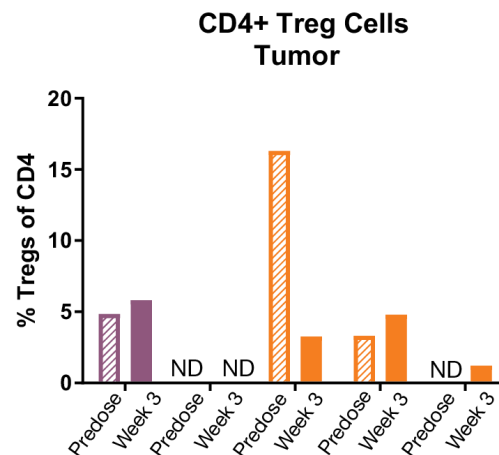
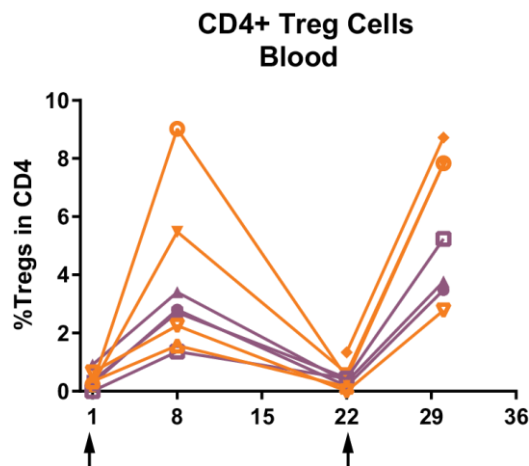
# Peripheral Blood and Tumor: NKTR-214 Increases the Abundance of Proliferating CD8 and PD-1+ T Cells



- Increase in proliferating CD8 T cells seen in 4/5 patients after NKTR-214
- PD-1+ CD8 T cells increase in blood and tumor

Line Charts  
 Purple: 0.003 mg/kg (n=4)  
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 Dosing Day  
Bar Charts  
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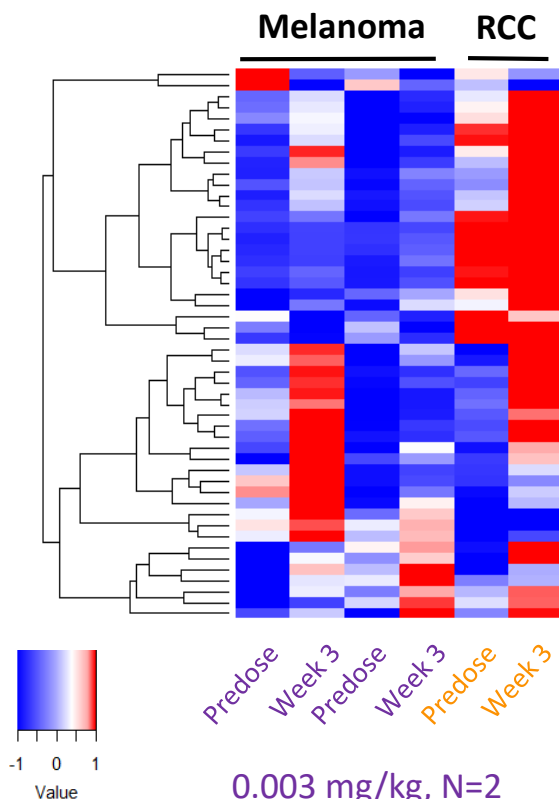
# NKTR-214 Transiently Increases Treg Cell Frequency in Blood but Not in Tumor



- Minimal Treg accumulation in the tumor
- Increase CD8/Treg ratio in tumor

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# NKTR-214 Induces an Activation Gene Signature in the Tumor Microenvironment

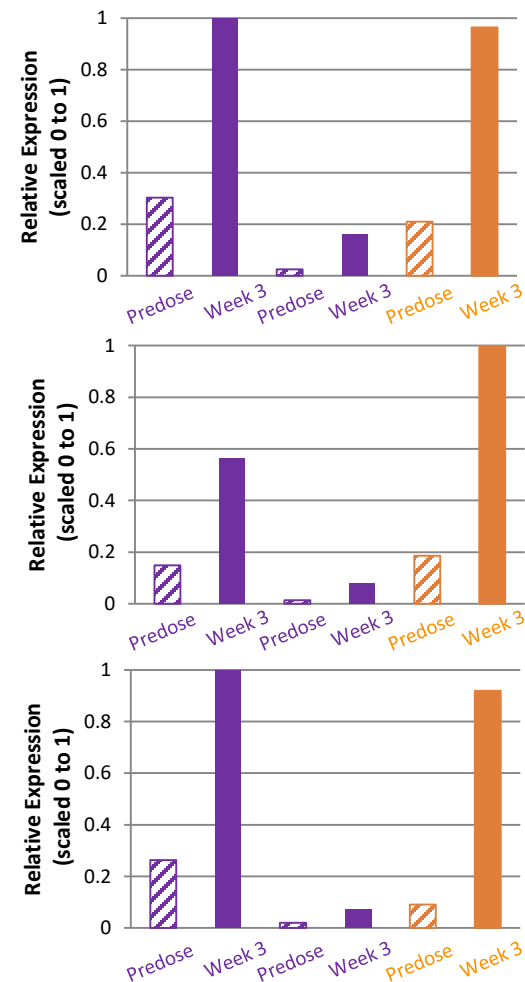


Top 50 most differentially expressed genes shown in the heat map

Interferon  $\gamma$

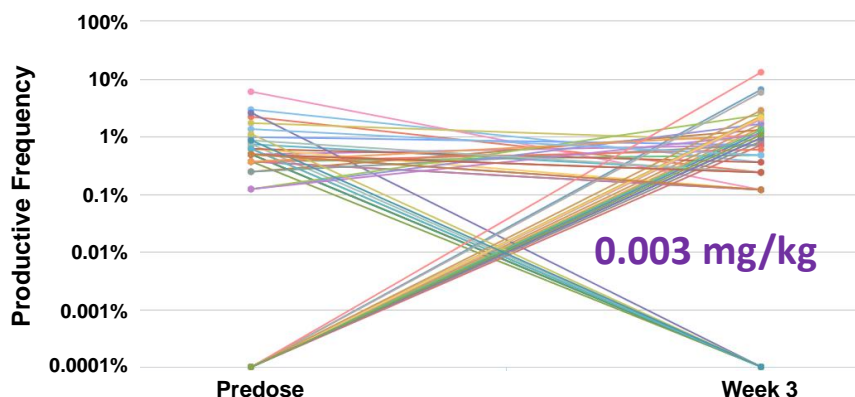
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Granzyme B

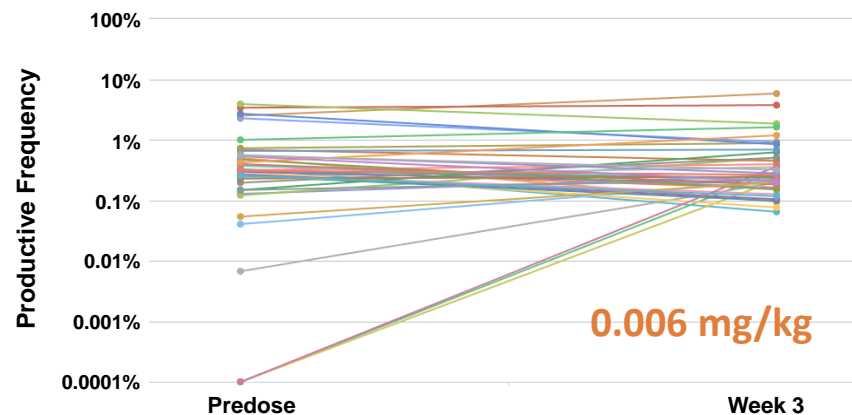
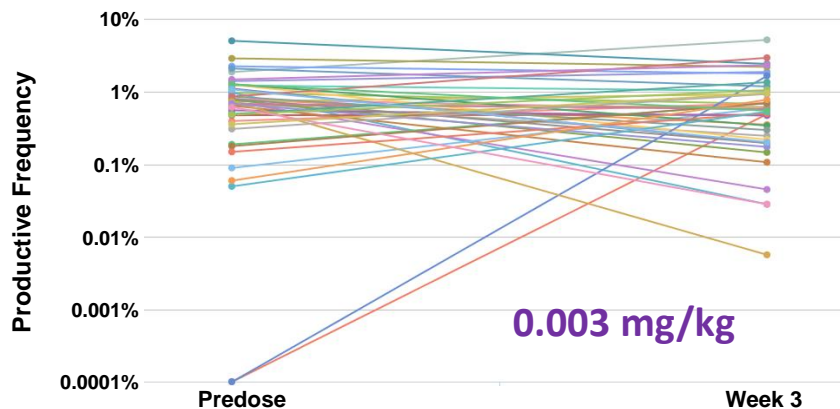




# NKTR-214 Promotes a Change in T Cell Repertoire, a Measure of Clonality in the Tumor

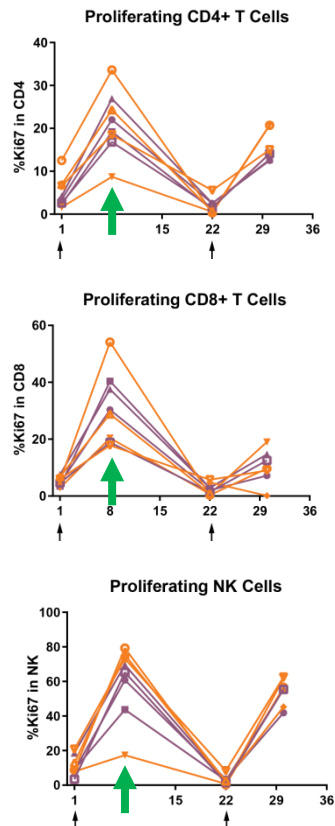


- Adaptive sequencing data shows change in TCR frequency and identity
- NKTR-214 promoted a change in frequency of specific TCR sequences detected among the top 30 most abundant TCR sequences between Predose and Week 3

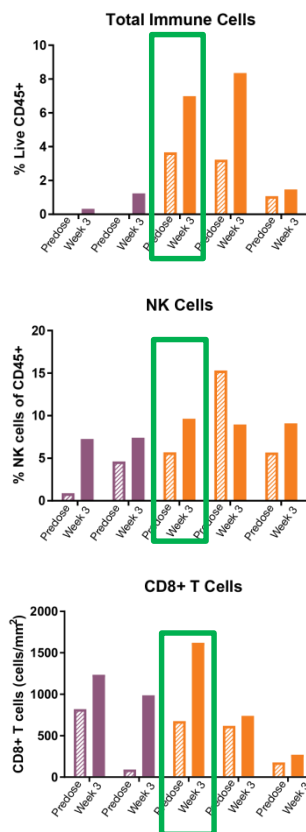


# NKTR-214 Induced Multiple Measures of Immune Activation in Patient 0220-0004

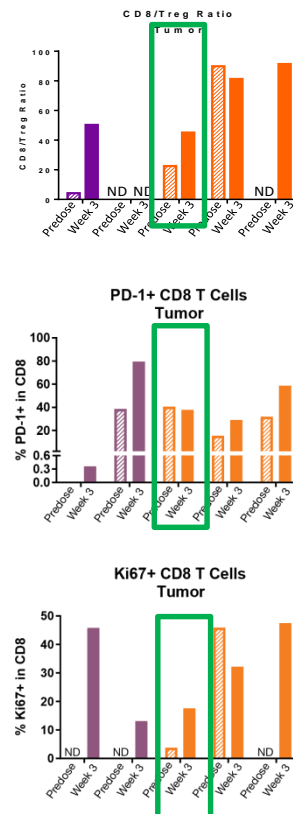
## Increased proliferation in blood



## Increased immune cells in tumor

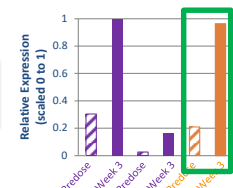


## Increased quality of immune response in the tumor

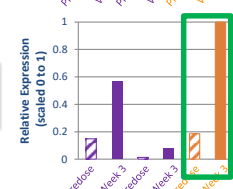


## Increased immune activation and effector gene signature in the tumor

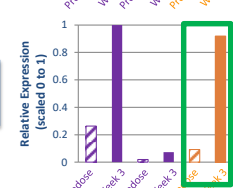
Interferon  $\gamma$



Perforin



Granzyme B



PD-L1 expression (IHC) was negative pre-dose and 5% positive cells at Week

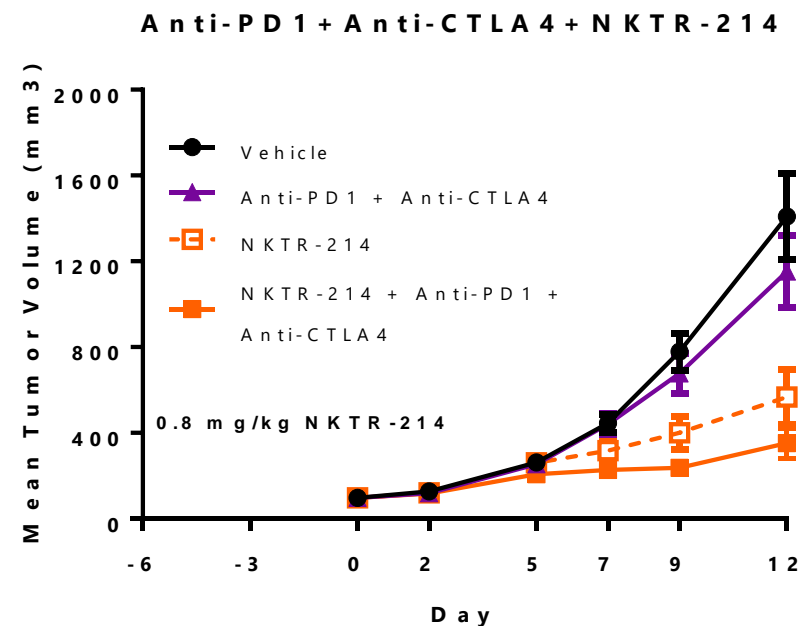
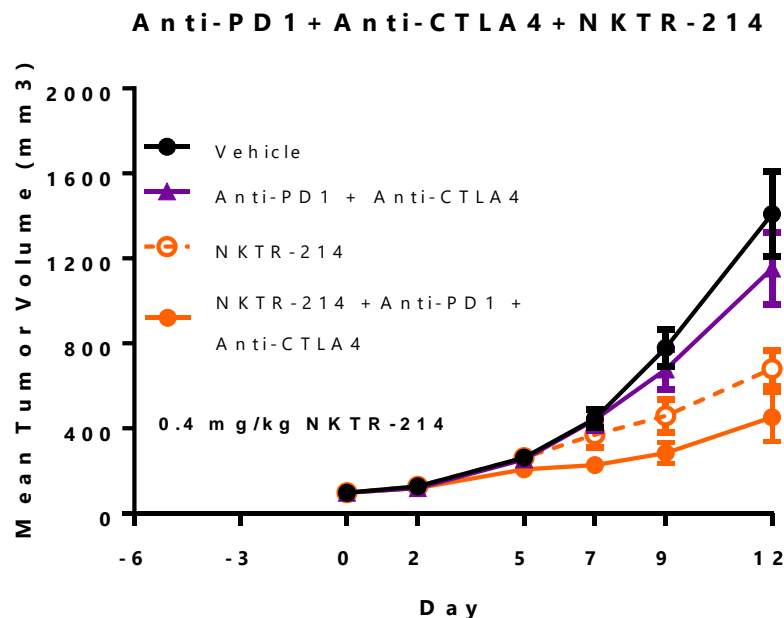
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# NKTR-214 Human Clinical Biomarker Conclusions

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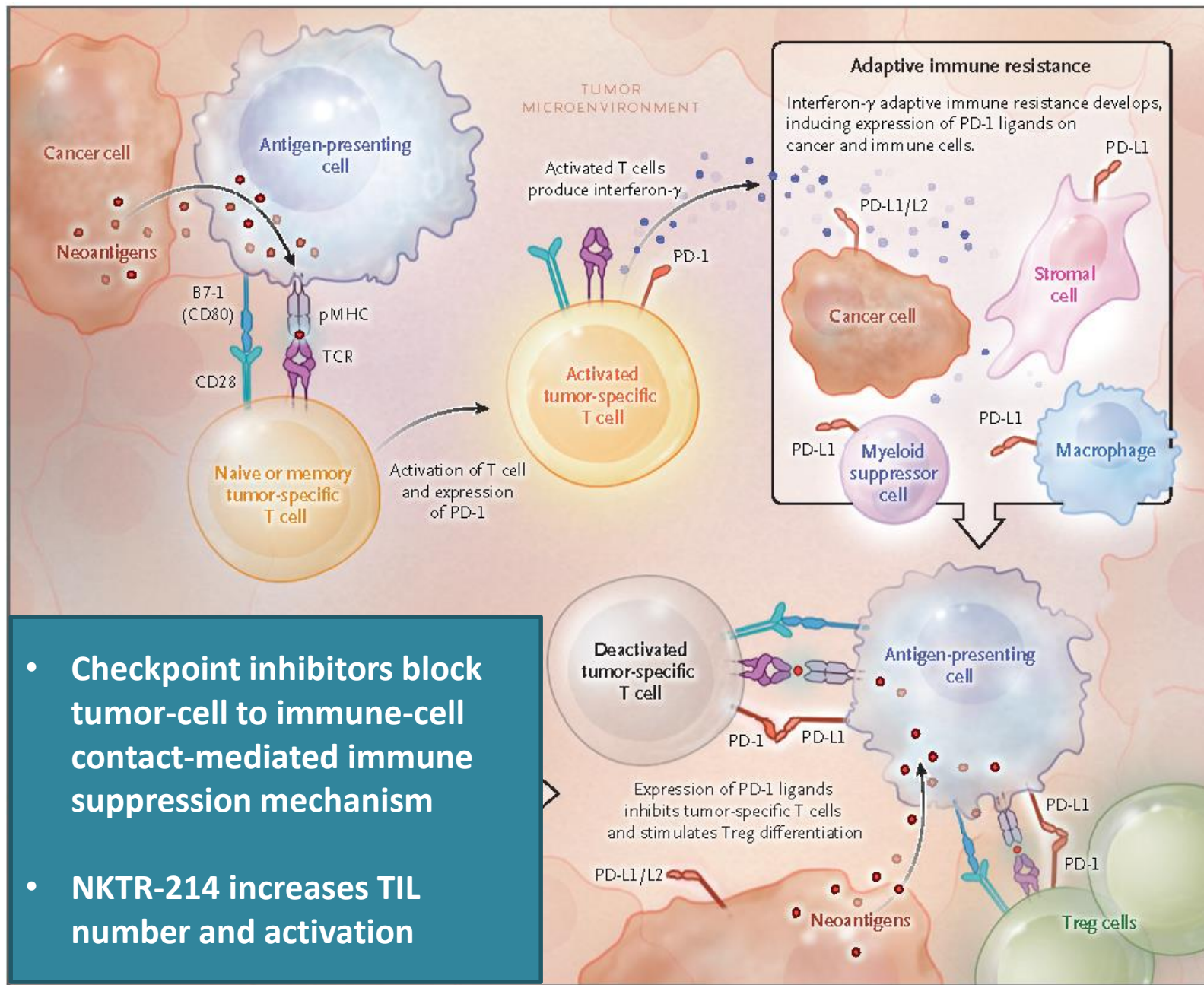
- Treatment with NKTR-214 produced a robust elevation in immune cell frequency and activation, including:
  - Increase in total and newly proliferating (Ki67+) CD4+ T cells, CD8+ T cells, and Natural Killer (NK) cells in 9/9 patients with blood samples evaluated in the trial to-date, with increases of up to 30-fold observed
  - Increase in frequency of PD-1+ T cell subsets of up to 9-fold in the blood
  - Increase in CD8+ T cells and Natural Killer (NK) cells of up to 10-fold in the tumor micro-environment in patients with evaluable tumor biopsies (pre-dose and post-dose at week 3), with minimal changes to T regulatory cells
  - Increase in expression of cell-surface PD-1 on T cell subsets of up to 2-fold in the tumor micro-environment
  - Induction of an activation gene signature in the tumor micro-environment, including increases of 5-fold or more in expression of interferon  $\gamma$ , perforin and granzyme B genes
  - Changes in T cell repertoire (TCR), which is a measure of T cell clonality, in the tumor micro-environment

# High Anti-Tumor Efficacy for Triple Combination of NKTR-214 + Anti-PD-1 + Anti-CTLA-4



- CT26 tumor model
- Treatment begun on established tumors (100-200 mm<sup>3</sup>)
- 8.3 µg/mouse anti-PD-1, twice weekly
- 4.1 µg/mouse anti-CTLA-4, twice weekly
- 0.4 or 0.8 mg/kg NKTR-214, q9d

*Study ongoing,  
showing data  
through Day 12*



- Checkpoint inhibitors block tumor-cell to immune-cell contact-mediated immune suppression mechanism
- NKTR-214 increases TIL number and activation



# **NKTR-214 Clinical Development Program**

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# Clinical Collaboration Terms

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- Nektar retains all rights to NKTR-214
- Nektar and Bristol to split clinical costs of trials in at least seven different indications
- Prior to Sept. 2018, if Nektar chooses to partner NKTR-214, Bristol has right of first negotiation
- Nektar and Bristol to collaborate exclusively on anti-PD1 mechanism
- Nektar retains ability to conduct its own trials of NKTR-214 with any anti-PD1/PDL1 agents
- Nektar can collaborate to run trials with any other company outside of anti-PD1/PDL1 mechanisms

# Clinical Development Program for NKTR-214 + Nivolumab

**NKTR-214  
+  
OPDIVO  
Combo  
(n=260)**

- Dose escalation for combination underway
- Melanoma: First line and relapsed on IO agent
- Renal cell carcinoma: Second line and relapsed on IO agent
- NSCLC: Second line, IO naïve
- Bladder cancer: First line
- Triple negative breast cancer: Second line, IO naïve
- Data from these trials anticipated over the course of the next 18 months



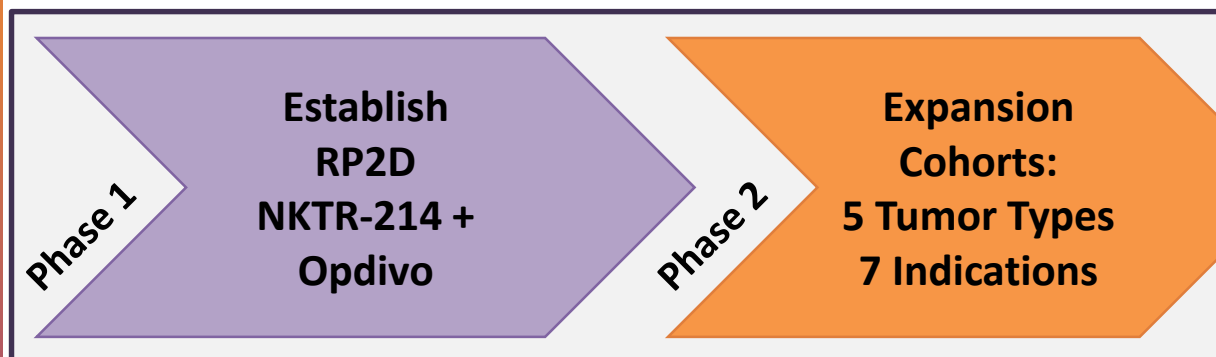


# NKTR-214 plus Opdivo

## Phase 1/2 Program: Solid Tumor Indications

### Phase 1 Dose Escalation

- Establish RP2D
- Safety and tolerability
- Objective response rate (ORR)
- Measure biomarkers in blood and tumor



**2H2016**

**1H2017**

Cohort 1: 0.006 q3w NKTR-214 + 240 mg nivo  
Cohort 2: 0.003 q2w NKTR-214 + 240 mg nivo  
Cohort 3: 0.006 q2w NKTR-214 + 240 mg nivo

### **Melanoma**

Cohort 1: 1L  
Cohort 2: Relapsed on IO

### **NSCLC**

Cohort 3: 2L IO naïve

### **RCC**

Cohort 4: 2L IO naïve  
Cohort 5: Relapsed on IO

### **TNBC**

Cohort 6: 2L IO naïve

### **Bladder**

Cohort 7: 1L

**One Protocol / Continuous Study**

# Possible Additional Collaborations for NKTR-214

Enter into collaborations where biologic rationale is strong:



# Discussion and Q&A

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