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Checkpoint AIM-T (mRNA-4359)

Checkpoint AIM-T vaccine (mRNA-4359) aims to promote anti-checkpoint T-cell responses

Program objective

Stimulate effector T cells that target and kill suppressive immune and cancer cells that express high levels of target checkpoint antigens:

- Pre-existing IDO- and PD-L1 specific T cells have been identified in cancer patients
- IDO- and PD-L1-specific T cells can kill immunosuppressive (regulatory) immune cells and cancer cells that overexpress IDO and PD-L1 checkpoints
- Our vaccine can expand IDO- and PD-L1 specific T cells in preclinical models
- Vaccine induced direct tumor killing can facilitate recognition of tumor-associated antigens by other cytotoxic T cells leading to more tumor killing
- Systemic PD-1/PD-L1 blockade may further amplify the effect

Initial indications

1L cutaneous melanoma stage IIIB+ and 1L NSCLC

Phase 2 study ongoing



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mRNA-4359 mechanism of action



Encoded IDO/PD-L1 concatemers on a single mRNA formulated in lipid nanoparticles is administered through intramuscular (IM) injection.



Polypeptides encoding immunogenic sequences are translated from mRNAs released into the cytosol of antigen presenting cells, are processed via the antigen presentation machinery, and displayed via HLAs to prime and boost specific T cell clones against IDO and PD-L1.



Cancer cell killing and the reduction of regulatory immune cells within the tumor microenvironment by IDO/PD-L1-specific activated T cells. This creates an immune-permissive tumor microenvironment. Further T cell priming leads to recognition of additional tumor-associated antigens and to tumor killing by additional tumor-specific cytotoxic T cells.

Systemic PD-1/PD-L1 blockade may further amplify the effect, leading to further immune activation and superior disease control.

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Checkpoint AIM-T (mRNA-4359) is ongoing in Phase 1/2 study; now enrolling Phase 2 with additional indications planned



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ESMO 2024 (Overview and Phase 1b data)

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