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Glut1 expression in tumor-associated neutrophils promotes lung cancer growth and resistance to radiotherapy

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Abstract

Neutrophils are the most abundant circulating leucocytes and are essential for innate immunity. In cancer, pro- or anti-tumor properties have been attributed to tumor-associated neutrophils (TAN). Here, focusing on TAN accumulation within lung tumors, we identify Glut1 as an essential glucose transporter for their tumor supportive behavior. Compared to normal neutrophils, Glut1 and glucose metabolism increased in TANs from a mouse model of lung adenocarcinoma. To elucidate the impact of glucose uptake on TANs, we used a strategy with two recombinases, dissociating tumor initiation from neutrophil-specific Glut1 deletion. Loss of Glut1 accelerated neutrophil turnover in tumors and reduced a subset of TANs expressing SiglecF. In the absence of Glut1 expression by TANs, tumor growth was diminished and the efficacy of radiotherapy was augmented. Our results demonstrate the importance of Glut1 in TANs, which may affect their pro-

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versus anti-tumor behavior. These results also suggest targeting metabolic vulnerabilities to favor anti-tumor neutrophils.

Keywords

Neutrophils; lung adenocarcinoma; Glut1; tumor microenvironment; tumor-associated neutrophils; genetically-engineered mouse model; radiotherapy; innate immunity

Introduction

Neutrophils are critical for the innate immune response (1). The expected short half-life of these cells might have contributed to underestimating their importance in tumor progression in past research. However, neutrophil functions in tumors have begun to be revealed in different types of cancer including breast and lung cancers (2). Although they have now been considered in several cancer models, only a few studies used autochthonous mouse models closely recapitulating the characteristics of the human disease (3). Neutrophils with pro-tumor properties have been extensively described in the context of breast cancer metastasis (4,5), and have also been linked to immune-suppression and pro-angiogenesis (6,7). Immune signature analyses of lung adenocarcinoma (LUAD) from the *Kras*^{Lox-STOP-Lox-G12D/WT}; *Tp53*^{Flox/Flox} (KP) mouse model (8) demonstrated that neutrophils are the most prevalent immune cells within the tumor mass (9) and may possess tumor-supportive properties (10). Specifically, a TAN subset defined by high SiglecF membrane protein expression showed a tumor-associated transcriptional profile and an increased ROS production in a KP cell-derived transplantation model *in vivo*. Although this subset remains to be fully characterized, SiglecF^{high} TANs have tumor-promoting functions compared to SiglecF^{low} cells (11). This suggests that gaining fundamental knowledge about neutrophil heterogeneity in cancer will enable selective targeting of pro-tumor neutrophils without affecting other neutrophils that are essential for the host defense.

Although multiple metabolic alterations of tumor cells are known to help them survive and proliferate in harsh environmental conditions (12,13), much less is known about the rewired metabolism of non-tumor cells from the tumor microenvironment. Because neutrophils are exposed to the same hypoxic environment with possibly reduced access to nutrients, we hypothesized that their glucose metabolism changes within solid tumors and impacts tumor development. To test this, we explored the effect of the lung tumor microenvironment on TAN metabolism, survival and turnover as well as the consequences of glucose transporter Glut1-deficient (Glut1^{KO}) TANs on disease progression.

Materials and Methods

Key resources

A Key Resources Table is provided as Table S1.

Animal studies

Kras^{Lox-STOP-Lox-G12D/WT}; *Tp53*^{Flox/Flox} (KP) (RRID:IMSR_JAX:008179, RRID:IMSR_JAX:008462) mice were described before (10) and were used in this study for the experiments comparing wild-type TANs to wild-type HLN, represented in Figure 2. *Kras*^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT} (*K*^{Frt}) (RRID:IMSR_JAX:008653) mice, previously generated by T. Jacks (14), Massachusetts Institute of Technology, were bred with *Tp53*^{Frt/Frt} (*P*^{Frt}) (RRID:IMSR_JAX:017767) mice (15). The resulting animals, *Kras*^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT}; *Tp53*^{Frt/Frt} (*KP*^{Frt}) mice, were kindly provided by D.G. Kirsch, Duke University Medical Center in a mixed 129-C57BL/6 background. The generation of the *Glut1*^{Flox/Flox} (G1) (RRID:IMSR_JAX:031871) mice was described previously (16), and the mice in a C57BL/6 background were provided by E. Dale Abel, University of Iowa. *Glut3*^{Flox/Flox} (G3) mice were produced at the Duke University Transgenic Facility upon blastocyst microinjection of targeted ES cells obtained from KOMP Repository (project CSD48048). The resulting mice were then crossed to Flp transgenic mice to remove the neomycin resistance cassette and generate mice with a *Glut3*^{Flox} allele, in which exon 6 is flanked by LoxP sites. *Ly6g*^{Cre}, also called Catchup mice (17) were obtained from M. Gunzer, University Duisburg-Essen, in a C57BL/6 background. G1, and *Ly6g*^{Cre} mice were bred with *KP*^{Frt} mice to obtain the following genotypes: *Kras*^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT}; *Tp53*^{Frt/Frt}; *Ly6g*^{Cre/WT}; *Glut1*^{Flox/Flox}, *Kras*^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT}; *Tp53*^{Frt/Frt}; *Ly6g*^{WT/WT}; *Glut1*^{Flox/Flox}, or *Kras*^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT}; *Tp53*^{Frt/Frt}; *Ly6g*^{Cre/WT}; *Glut1*^{WT/WT}, the latter two being used as control (no Cre, or *Glut1*^{WT/WT}). Tumors were initiated upon intratracheal instillation of 10⁷ PFU per mouse of a commercially available adenoviral CMV-Flp vector (Ad5CMVFlpo, University of Iowa Viral Vector Core Facility) to activate oncogenic *Kras*^{G12D} and delete *Tp53*. To follow tumor development, mice were anesthetized using isoflurane (Piramal, 56.761.002) and maintained under anesthesia during the scanning procedure. Lungs were imaged with an X-Ray microtomography (Quantum FX; PerkinElmer) at a 50 μm voxel size, with retrospective respiratory gating. Individual tumor volumes were measured and calculated using Analyze 12.0 (PerkinElmer) or Osirix MD (Pixmeo, RRID:SCR_013618). For the BrdU assay, 2 mg of freshly prepared BrdU (Merck, 10280879001) was injected intraperitoneally into 100 μl of PBS 1x. Immunotherapy treatment was performed with an intraperitoneal injection of InVivoMAb anti-mouse PD-1 (clone 29F.1A12, Bio X Cell, BE0273, RRID:AB_2687796) at a dose of 200 μg/mouse twice a week for 2 weeks. Anti G-CSF treatment was performed with an intraperitoneal injection of 10 μg anti-mouse G-CSF antibody (clone 67604, R&D Systems, MAB414, RRID:AB_2085954) every day for 14 days. G-CSF treatment was performed with daily intraperitoneal injection of 10 μg of recombinant mouse G-CSF (PeproTech, 250–05). Tumor-bearing mice were subjected to radiotherapy with a 20 mm² collimator (13 mA, 3 mm Cu filter, 225 keV) 11.6 Gy with a single dose delivered in 256 seconds as previously described (9). Experimental melanoma lung metastases were obtained by injecting 3 × 10⁵ B16-F1 cells (RRID:CVCL_0158) into the tail vein of female syngeneic recipient mice, either control (*Ly6g*^{WT/WT}; *Glut1*^{Flox/Flox} or *Ly6g*^{Cre/WT}; *Glut1*^{WT/WT}) or *Glut1*^{KO} (*Ly6g*^{Cre/WT}; *Glut1*^{Flox/Flox}). All lungs were collected, fixed and paraffin-embedded 21 days after the injection. Hematoxylin and Eosin staining was performed on sections to detect the experimental metastases, which were counted blindly.

Study approval

All mouse experiments were performed with the permission of the Veterinary Authority of Canton de Vaud, Switzerland (license number: VD2391).

Tumor and tissue-derived supernatant (SN) production

KP^{Frt} tumors and healthy tissues (lung and spleen) were isolated and dissociated as previously described (10). The cell suspension was then cultured in complete DMEM (Thermo Fisher Scientific, 41965062) supplemented with 10% Fetal Bovine Serum (FBS) (Thermo Fisher Scientific, 10270106) for 24 hours at a concentration of 10^7 cells per ml. The day after, supernatant (SN) was collected, filtered (0.22 μ m), aliquoted after centrifugation (5 minutes, 2000 rpm) and stored at -80°C or used immediately. For CD45⁺ and CD45⁻ fraction-derived SN, CD45 positive cells were sorted using CD45 MicroBeads (clone 30F11.1, Miltenyi Biotec, 130-052-301, RRID:AB_2877061), using the manufacturer's instructions. Both positive and negative fractions were cultured for 24 hours at a concentration of 10^7 cells per ml.

Mouse neutrophil isolation

Tumor-associated neutrophils (TANs), healthy lung neutrophils (HLNs), and bone marrow neutrophils were isolated using anti-Ly6G MicroBead Kit (Miltenyi Biotec, 130-092-332) and anti-Ly6G MicroBeads UltraPure (clone REA526, Miltenyi Biotec, 130-120-337) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Where indicated, bone marrow neutrophils were stimulated with TNF (PeproTech, 315-01A, 10 ng/ml, 4 hours) before RNA isolation.

Neutrophil *in vitro* survival assay

10^5 freshly-isolated neutrophils were cultured for 20 or 48 hours in 200 μ l of complete DMEM (Thermo Fisher Scientific, 41965062, 10270106) or complete DMEM supplemented with 16% of tumor-derived SN. For size exclusion separation of proteins from the tumor-derived SN, the Centricon Plus-70 Centrifugal Filter (Merck, UFC700308) was used according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Cell lines

The SV2 cell line was generated in our laboratory in 2013 from a lung tumor of a KP mouse; it was passaged > 20 times before use. Around the time of the experiments, SV2 cells were not tested for Mycoplasma. The B16-F1 cells were obtained in 2020 from D. Constam (ISREC, EPFL) and were Mycoplasma negative.

Neutrophil-tumor cell co-culture to measure tumor cell growth

100, 200 or 400 KP-derived cells (SV2) were cultured alone or in presence of 10^4 control or Glut1^{KO} TANs. After 10 days in culture, cells were fixed for 10 minutes at room temperature in 3.6% formaldehyde (VWR Chemicals, 20909.290) and colored with crystal violet (Merck, C3886) for 5 minutes at room temperature. The percentage of covered area was then measured and quantified using Fiji (RRID:SCR_002285).

CD45 negative cell enrichment

Individual tumors were isolated and dissected and CD45 positive cells were depleted using CD45 MicroBeads (clone 30F11.1, Miltenyi Biotec, 130-052-301, RRID:AB_2877061), using the manufacturer's instructions.

RNA isolation and real-time PCR

Total RNA was extracted using TRIzol Reagent (Invitrogen, 15596018) according to the manufacturer's instructions. cDNAs were synthesized from 1 µg total RNA using the High-Capacity cDNA Reverse Transcription Kit (Thermo Fisher Scientific, 4368814). Real-time PCR was performed using 5 ng of cDNA. The gene quantification was performed using the following commercially available probes from Thermo Fisher Scientific: *Rpl30* (Mm01611464_g1, used for normalization), *Glut1 (Slc2a1)* (Mm00441480_m1), *Glut3 (Slc2a3)* (Mm00441483_m1), *Arg1* (Mm00475988_m1), *Hk2* (Mm00443385_m1), *Siglecf (Siglec5)* (Mm00523987_m1), *Ikbke* (Mm00444862_m1), *ApoE* (Mm01307193_g1), *Pfkfb* (Mm00444792_m1), *Cxcl3* (Mm01701838_m1), *Grx1* (Mm01352826_g1), *Il23a* (Mm00518984_m1), *Padi4* (Mm01341658_m1) and *G-CSF (Csf3)* (Mm00438334_m1). Ct values were analyzed according to the comparative Ct method.

RNA sequencing

RNA from the Ly6g positive or CD45 negative fractions was extracted using TRIzol. Multiplexed libraries for mRNA-seq were prepared following SMARTer Stranded Total RNA-seq Pico v2 prep, starting from 1 ng total RNA from the Ly6g positive fractions; and following TruSeq stranded mRNA LT prep, starting from 375 ng of RNA from CD45 negative fractions. Sequencing was subsequently performed on a NextSeq 500 instrument (Illumina) on a high-output flow cell, yielding single-end reads of 75 nucleotides. Adapter sequences and low-quality ends were removed with cutadapt (v1.14) as needed. Reads were aligned to mouse genome build mm10 using HISAT2 aligner (v2.10). Genes with low expression were filtered out (average transcripts per kilobase million < 6 or average raw counts < 50). Counts were normalized for library size using TMM method from EdgeR (v3.24.3) and voom from limma. Differential expression was computed with limma between TANs and HLN (significance cutoff LFC > 1 or < -1 and adjusted P-value < 0.05), *Glut1*^{KO} and control TANs, *Glut1*^{KO} and control non-immune fraction (significance cutoff LFC > 1 or < -1 and P-value < 0.05).

We investigated over-representation of pathways as defined in the Hallmark collection of MSigDB (v6.0) among the top 200 genes up-regulated in TANs versus HLN or down-regulated in *Glut1*^{KO} versus control TANs.

Western blot

Western blots were performed on protein extracts from freshly isolated neutrophils. Cells were lysed in RIPA buffer (20 mM Tris pH8, 50 mM NaCl, 0.5% sodium deoxycholate, 0.1% SDS, 1 mM Na₃VO₄, protease inhibitor cocktail (complete, Roche)) at 4°C for 30 minutes. BCA Protein Assay Kit (Merck, 71285-3) was used for protein quantification. Anti-Glut1 (Millipore, 07-1401, RRID:AB_1587074) and anti-Histone H3 antibodies (Abcam, ab1791, RRID:AB_302613) were used.

Flow cytometry

Flow cytometry analysis of tumors was performed as previously described (10). Antibodies and fluorochromes used were the following: anti-CD45-BUV661 (clone 30-F11, BD Biosciences, 565079, RRID:AB_2739057), anti-CD11b-BV711 (clone M1/70, BioLegend, 101242, RRID:AB_2563310), anti-Ly6G-PE (clone 1A8, BioLegend, 127607, RRID:AB_1186104), anti-Siglec-F-PE-Vio 615 (clone REA798, Miltenyi Biotec, Cat# 130-112-172, RRID:AB_2653444), anti-BrdU-APC (clone Bu20a, BioLegend, 339808, RRID:AB_10895898), anti-PD-L1-BV-785 (clone 10F.9G2, BioLegend, 124331, RRID:AB_2629659). Samples were acquired using the LSRII SORP (Becton Dickinson), a 5-laser and 18-detector analyser at the EPFL Flow Cytometry Core Facility. CountBright™ Absolute Counting Beads (Thermo Fisher Scientific, C36950) were used for Trucount experiments using the manufacturer's instructions. Data analyses were performed using FlowJo (FlowJo LLC ©, RRID:SCR_008520).

Immunohistochemistry and Immunofluorescence

Preparation of mouse lung sections was explained before (10). Antibodies used for immunohistochemistry from mouse tissue sections are anti-GLUT1 (Abcam, ab115730, RRID:AB_10903230, 1:650), anti-pHH3 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9701S, RRID:AB_331535, 1:100), anti-pErk (Cell Signaling Technology, 4370S, RRID:AB_2315112, 1:400) and anti-S100A9 (Novus Biologicals, NB110-89726, RRID:AB_1217846, 1:5'000). For human sample multiplexing, the 4plex immunofluorescence was performed using the fully automated Ventana Discovery ULTRA (Roche Diagnostics, Rotkreuz, Switzerland). All steps were performed on the instrument with Ventana solutions following their recommendations. Briefly, dewaxed and rehydrated paraffin sections were pretreated with heat using standard conditions for 40 minutes in CC1 solution. Primary antibodies were rabbit anti-GLUT1 (Millipore, 07-1401, RRID:AB_1587074, 1:5'000), rabbit anti-CD4 (clone SP35, Roche Diagnostics, 05552737001), rabbit anti-CD8 (clone SP57, Roche Diagnostics, 05937248001), rabbit anti-S100A9 (Novus Biologicals, NB110-89726, RRID:AB_1217846, 1:20'000). They were applied sequentially and incubated during 1 hour (Glut1 and S100A9) or 20 minutes (CD4 and CD8) at 37°C (the data obtained with CD4 and CD8 staining were not used in this study). After incubation with an anti-rabbit Impress HRP (ready to use, Vector Laboratories, MP-7401, RRID:AB_2336529), they were sequentially revealed with the Rhodamine-6G (Roche Diagnostics, 07988168001), DCC (Roche Diagnostics, 07988192001), Red 610 (Roche Diagnostics, 07988176001) and Cyanine 5 (Roche Diagnostics, 07551215001) TSA kits. Heat denaturation was applied after each TSA revelation. Slides were then acquired with an Olympus slide scanner (Olympus, VS120-L100) and analyzed using QuPath (RRID:SCR_018257). Permission to use the human material was granted by the local ethics committee (KEK: 200/2014).

Seahorse

Extracellular acidification rate (ECAR) measurements were performed using XF96 Extracellular Flux analyser (Seahorse Bioscience, North Billerica, MA). Briefly, 100,000 freshly isolated neutrophils from healthy lungs or KP tumors were plated into a XF96 V3

polystyrene cell culture plate (Seahorse Bioscience). Cells were incubated for 3 hours in a humidified 37°C incubator with 5% CO₂ in RPMI with no glucose (Thermo Fisher Scientific, 11879020). All experiments were performed at 37°C. Each measurement cycle consisted of a mixing time of 3 minutes and a data acquisition period of 2 minutes. For glycolysis assay, 10 mM glucose (VWR, 1.08337.0250) was added during the seahorse experiment followed by 50 mM 2-deoxyglucose (2-DG) (Merck, D8375-5G). At the end of the experiment, proteins were extracted using RIPA buffer (20 mM Tris pH8, 50 mM NaCl, 0.5% sodium deoxycholate, 0.1% SDS, 1 mM Na₃VO₄, protease inhibitor cocktail (complete, Roche)) to determine protein concentration in each well. ECAR was calculated as normalized against protein concentration.

Glucose uptake

2-NBDG glucose uptake experiments were performed on freshly isolated neutrophils using a glucose-uptake cell-based assay kit (Cayman Chemical, CAY-600470-1) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Data were normalized against protein concentration.

ATP production assay

Production of ATP in freshly isolated neutrophils was measured using the CellTiter-Glo® Luminescent Cell Viability Assay (Promega, G7570) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Data were normalized against protein concentration.

Statistical analysis

Mice were age-matched and randomized according to tumor progression and gender. For metabolic and survival assays, μ CT follow-up, flow cytometry, IHC and real-time PCR, the samples were processed and analyzed blindly. All results are represented as mean \pm s.d. unless stated otherwise. Each point represents an independent tumor (for *in vivo* experiments) or an independent well (for *ex vivo* experiments). Comparisons between groups were made as indicated in the Figure Legends. Statistical significance is indicated as * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$, **** $p < 0.0001$, or ns (not significant), using two-sided Mann-Whitney tests unless specified otherwise. Statistical analysis was performed using GraphPad Prism (version 6, RRID:SCR_002798).

Data Availability

The RNA sequencing data have been deposited to the GEO database (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/>) and assigned the identifier: GSE140159.

Results

Glucose transporter Glut1 mediates neutrophil survival

To address how the tumor microenvironment may alter neutrophils, we firstly compared the fate of freshly-isolated bone marrow-derived neutrophils, cultured either in complete medium or in complete medium supplemented with a KP lung tumor-derived supernatant (SN) (Figure S1A). After 20 or 48 hours in culture, the medium supplemented with tumor-derived SN increased neutrophil survival significantly (Figure S1B-C). Size exclusion

separation of proteins revealed that only the protein fraction of >3 kDa increases neutrophil survival (Figure S1D), excluding a pro-survival effect mediated by pH or small metabolites. We next generated tumor supernatants from CD45+ (immune) or CD45- (non-immune) cells. The CD45- derived SN was sufficient to increase neutrophil survival, whereas the CD45+ SN had no effect (Figure S1E). Thus, this experimental system, which enables to extend neutrophil lifespan *ex vivo*, could be used to identify mechanisms altering their survival in tumors.

To determine if neutrophil survival is enabled by an increased metabolic activity, we next monitored the expression of two high affinity glucose transporters, *Glut1* and *Glut3*, in response to tumor-derived SN. Surprisingly, the two transporters were regulated in an opposite manner, with *Glut1* being up- and *Glut3* down-regulated upon incubation with tumor-derived SN (Figure 1A).

To directly test the importance of *Glut1* for neutrophil survival, we crossed *Ly6G^{Cre}* mice, where the *Cre* recombinase gene is knocked into the *Ly6g* allele (17), to *Glut1^{Flox/Flox}* mice (16), generating mice with neutrophil-specific *Glut1* deletion (Figure 1B). In the blood of healthy mice, both control and *Glut1^{KO}* neutrophils represent between 8 and 10 percent of the immune cell population (Figure S2A). We isolated *Glut1^{KO}* and control neutrophils, and monitored a partial-to-complete loss of survival benefit upon tumor-derived SN incubation in the *Glut1^{KO}* cells (Figure 1B–C and S2B). Altogether, our *ex vivo* data indicate that soluble factors produced in lung tumors increase neutrophil survival through *Glut1* up-regulation, a response that may favor an extended neutrophil lifespan within the tumor microenvironment.

Glut1 and glucose metabolism are enhanced in tumor-associated neutrophils

To determine if GLUT1 is expressed in TANs from human LUAD, we used immunofluorescence and stained tumor sections with anti-S100A9 to mark neutrophils, and with anti-GLUT1. We identified both GLUT1 positive and GLUT1 negative human TANs, which suggests a metabolic heterogeneity for intra-tumoral neutrophils (Figure 2A).

To better understand the metabolic alterations of TANs *in vivo*, we isolated neutrophils from age-matched healthy lung (HLNs) and from KP tumors (TANs) (Figure 2B). RNA sequencing analyses identified 1470 up-regulated genes and 487 down-regulated genes in TANs compared to HLNs (Table S2). Pathway analysis revealed glycolysis as the most significantly up-regulated pathway in TANs (Figure S3A, S3B and Table S3). By real-time PCR analysis, we validated the TAN signature with multiple genes from the lists of up- and down-regulated genes (Figure S3C). The mRNA expression of each of *Glut1* and *Glut3* was stronger in neutrophils compared to other immune cell populations isolated from healthy lung or spleen (Figure 2C) and, similar to the tumor SN experiments (see Figure 1A), *Glut1* was higher and *Glut3* lower in TANs compared to HLNs (Figure 2D–E). The strong *Glut1* expression in TANs was particularly evident at protein level (Figure 2F). Furthermore, the expression of the glycolytic gene, hexokinase 2 (*Hk2*), was significantly more elevated in TANs than in HLNs (Figure S3C). Congruent with the up-regulated glycolysis gene signature, including stronger *Hk2* and *Glut1* expression, we demonstrated that TANs undergo a metabolic switch toward increased glycolysis, since they exhibit an elevated

extracellular acidification rate in response to glucose (Figure 2G), absorb glucose more efficiently (Figure 2H) and produce more ATP (Figure 2I) compared to HLN. Thus, when compared to healthy lung neutrophils, lung TANs are characterized by a shift toward increased glucose usage and metabolism.

An accelerated turnover defines *Glut1*-deficient tumor-associated neutrophils

To directly interrogate the importance of *Glut1* in TANs, we crossed a second-generation *Kras*^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT}; *Tp53*^{Frt/Frt} (referred to as KP^{Frt} thereafter) tumor mouse model (15) to *Ly6g*^{Cre} knockin and *Glut1*^{Flox/Flox} (16,17) conditional knockout mice (Figure 3A). In this experimental configuration, intratracheal instillation of adenoviral-Flp activates oncogenic *Kras* (*G12D*) and deletes *Tp53*, resulting in tumor development in a context where neutrophils and TANs lack *Glut1*.

First, we used immunocytochemistry and Western blot to confirm the loss of *Glut1* in TANs at protein level (Figure 3B). Contrary to our expectations, there was a higher prevalence of *Glut1*^{KO} neutrophils in the tumor mass compared to control neutrophils (Figure 3C and S3D); however, their absolute numbers based on the quantification of S100A9 staining by immunofluorescence were not increased (Figure 3D). Next, we monitored the molecular changes consequent to *Glut1* loss in TANs using RNA sequencing (Table S4). The downregulation of the “TNF α signaling via NF- κ B” gene signature in *Glut1*^{KO} TANs (Figure 3E and Table S5), which was higher in wild-type TANs compared to HLN (see Figure S3B, left panel), might indicate that TNF and NF- κ B signaling in TANs is linked to *Glut1*-dependent survival (18,19). This possibility was illustrated by an induction of *Glut1* in response to TNF stimulation of bone marrow-derived neutrophils (Figure S3B, right panel).

A Siglec^{Fhigh} neutrophil subset was recently reported to have an increased lifespan in lung adenocarcinoma (20) and in myocardial infarction (21). In *Glut1*^{KO} TANs, the Siglec^{Fhigh} subset was very significantly decreased (Figure 3F). To further explore this subset, we analyzed data from different neutrophil subpopulations recently identified by single cell RNA sequencing in another KP-derived model, where 6 subsets of neutrophils were identified, in blood (N1 and N2) and in tumors (N3-N6) (22). We observed that the Siglec^{Fhigh} cells were predominant in the N4, tumor-specific subpopulation. In addition, N4 was defined by high *Glut1*, *Hk2* and *Pd-11*, and by low *Glut3* expression (Figure S4A), highlighting the relevance of *Glut1* for this TAN subset. From autochthonous KP tumors, we demonstrated that *Glut3* but not *Glut1* expression was significantly reduced in the Siglec^{Fhigh} compared to the Siglec^{Flow} neutrophil subpopulation, leaving *Glut1* as the predominant glucose transporter of Siglec^{Fhigh} TANs (Figure S4B).

To investigate the mechanisms by which neutrophil turnover might be enhanced upon *Glut1* deletion, we performed an RNA sequencing of the non-immune fraction (CD45⁻) of the tumor mass. Among the highest up-regulated genes in tumors having *Glut1*^{KO} neutrophils, we identified several genes involved in neutrophil recruitment (Figure 3G and Table S6). Additionally, while there is no significant difference in neutrophil percentage between the genotypes in healthy mice (see Figure S2A), we measured a higher proportion of blood-circulating neutrophils in control tumor-bearing compared to healthy mice, which was further increased in KP^{Frt}; *Ly6g*^{Cre/WT}; *Glut1*^{Flox/Flox} tumor-bearing mice (Figure 3H).

These results suggest an elevated neutrophil turnover during cancer growth with Glut1^{KO} TANs. Neutrophil turnover was measured from different anatomical sites using an *in vivo* BrdU tracking experiment, in healthy and tumor-bearing mice. Specifically, bone marrow, blood, spleen, lung and tumors were collected 2.5 and 6.5 days after a single BrdU injection (Figure 4A). In all healthy tissues, the BrdU kinetics was similar, with a peak (colonization phase) at 2.5 days reaching nearly 50% BrdU positive neutrophils (Figure 4A–C). After 6.5 days, the majority of neutrophils were BrdU negative, showing that the entire pool had been renewed (extinction phase) (Figure 4A–C). As exception, in lungs a small fraction (10%) of neutrophils was still BrdU positive 6.5 days after injection. In contrast, in lung tumors the kinetics was altered, with only 10% of BrdU positive neutrophils after 2.5 days, rising up to 30% after 6.5 days, thus still being in the colonization phase. These data demonstrate a reduced neutrophil turnover specifically in the tumor mass, leading to an aberrantly large proportion of old (6.5 days) neutrophils (Figure 4A–C). In tumors, at 2.5 days all the young BrdU positive neutrophils (< 2.5 days-old) were SiglecF^{low} while, at 6.5 days, the old BrdU positive TANs were mainly SiglecF^{high} (Figure 4B), consistent with a time-dependent acquisition of this membrane protein in lung tumors.

When comparing tumors with Glut1^{KO} neutrophils to controls, we identified that Glut1^{KO} TANs have an accelerated turnover with more BrdU positive cells at 2.5 days post-BrdU injection and a reduced old neutrophil fraction 6.5 days after (Figure 4D). Thus, in tumors with Glut1^{KO} neutrophils, reduced neutrophil survival and increased neutrophil recruitment together contribute to a higher neutrophil turnover during cancer progression. These results also position the old, SiglecF^{high} and Glut1^{high} TAN subset as an inhibitor of young neutrophil recruitment, possibly acting by a communication with the tumor epithelial cells.

Glut1^{KO} but not Glut3^{KO} neutrophils negatively impact tumor growth

Because the pro- and anti-tumor properties of neutrophils require a better understanding (23), we decided first to explore the consequences of Glut1^{KO} TANs on tumor progression (Figure 5A). Tumors with Glut1^{KO} TANs had a reduced cell proliferation as measured by phospho-Histone H3 (pHH3) and a reduced phospho-ERK1/2 (pERK) staining, a marker of tumor progression (Figure 5B–C). Moreover, tumor growth rates monitored by longitudinal micro-computed tomography (μ CT) were significantly diminished in mice with Glut1^{KO} TANs (Figure 5D). Next, to determine if TANs affect lung tumor cells *in vitro*, we measured their behavior using a KP-derived cell line (SV2) cultured alone, with control TANs or with Glut1^{KO} TANs. A stronger negative impact on tumor cell growth was observed in Glut1^{KO} TANs, as revealed by a reduced spreading of co-cultured SV2 cells (Figure 5E). This suggests that Glut1^{KO} TANs have a reduced tumor-supportive capacity or are endowed with anti-tumor properties.

To test if the reduced tumor-supportive function of Glut1^{KO} TANs can be extended to other models, we injected B16-F1 melanoma cells *via* the tail vein of control or Glut1^{KO} syngeneic recipient mice, and counted the number of lung lesions three weeks later. In this experimental metastasis model, there were fewer lesions in Glut1^{KO} conditions (Figure 5F). Furthermore, tumor cell proliferation was reduced in these tumors compared to control

tumors, as indicated by a reduced proportion of pHH3 positive cells (Figure 5G). Thus, TAN-mediated tumor support relies on Glut1 in different cancer types.

Intrigued by the opposite regulation of *Glut1* and *Glut3* in response to tumor-derived SN, in HLN versus TANs, and by their different expression patterns in the neutrophil subsets (see Figures 1A, 2D–E and S4A), we decided to interrogate directly the consequences of *Glut3* gene deletion in neutrophils (Figure S5A–B). In contrast to our data obtained with Glut1^{KO} , we monitored a reduced proportion of Glut3^{KO} neutrophils in the blood of healthy mice (Figure S5C), no tumor growth delay in mice with Glut3^{KO} neutrophils compared to controls (Figure S5D–F), and no change in the proportion of the $\text{SiglecF}^{\text{high}}$ TAN subset compared to controls (Figure S5G). Thus, Glut1 but not Glut3 deficiency in neutrophils diminishes tumor growth.

To understand the mechanisms by which the loss of Glut1 in TANs reduces tumor progression, we hypothesized that the turnover of neutrophils may be critical to regulate the neutrophil subset balance. Specifically, considering that G-CSF affects neutrophil mobilization and survival (24), we decided to explore its role in this balance using loss- and gain-of-function approaches. Daily injections of G-CSF neutralizing antibodies in tumor-bearing mice significantly reduced the number of TANs (Figure 6A–B). This decrease could be explained by a reduced mobilization or by a recruitment defect at the tumor site, as illustrated by the very significant loss of young BrdU^+ neutrophils (2.5 days) without affecting the acquisition of SiglecF (Figure 6C–E). This decreased number of the entire TAN pool led to a reduced tumor growth, highlighting the pro-tumoral properties of these innate immune cells (Figure 6F). Accordingly, G-CSF treatment reduced the proportion of $\text{SiglecF}^{\text{high}}$ TANs (Figure S6A–C), but only in Glut1^{KO} conditions and increased the abundance of young (BrdU^+ at 2.5 days) neutrophils in tumors with control and Glut1^{KO} neutrophils (Figure S6D–E). Although G-CSF decreased the growth rate of control tumors, its impact was more pronounced in Glut1^{KO} tumors (Figure S6F). Thus, the anti-tumor properties of young neutrophils seem to be amplified upon Glut1 loss. Altogether, our data suggest the existence of a functional link between neutrophil turnover and tumor growth (Figure 6G).

Glut1^{KO} neutrophils sensitize lung tumors to radiotherapy

Because neutrophils have been previously linked to immuno- and radiotherapy responses (10,25), we next wondered if Glut1 deficiency in these cells could potentiate such treatments. Despite their reduced expression of PD-L1, Glut1^{KO} neutrophils failed to sensitize KP tumors to anti-PD1 (Figure S7A–B). In contrast, the anti-tumor response to radiotherapy was markedly enhanced, with multiple (62.5%) regressing tumors monitored two weeks after irradiation, and a long-term (at least 28 days) loss of tumor growth specific to Glut1^{KO} TAN-irradiated mice (Figure 7A). Thus, Glut1 deletion in neutrophils increases KP lung tumor sensitivity to radiotherapy, leading to a durable growth impairment.

Discussion

In this study, we demonstrated that tumor-derived secreted factors increase neutrophil survival, which is enabled by glucose transporter Glut1. Using a mouse model of lung

adenocarcinoma, we identified a reduced neutrophil turnover specifically in the tumor compartment. We found that an important proportion of TANs can survive at least 6.5 days, providing an abnormally high level of old neutrophils when compared to other compartments including the healthy lung.

Within lung tumors, the aberrantly long neutrophil lifespan provides sufficient time to acquire tumor-associated markers such as SiglecF and PD-L1. Whether the acquisition of tumor-supportive properties is passive and linked to the reduced TAN turnover, or active and triggered by specific factors remains to be elucidated. Moreover, *in vivo* G-CSF treatment or neutralization failed to demonstrate a direct link with the acquisition of SiglecF, whereas its inhibition strongly impacted neutrophil infiltration in the tumor. On the contrary, G-CSF treatment led to a massive recruitment of young neutrophils, accompanied by a reduced tumor development. The impact of this cytokine on young neutrophil recruitment and tumor growth was exacerbated when neutrophils did not express Glut1, reducing the proportion and number of old, SiglecF^{high} neutrophils. These results suggest the existence of functionally diverse and competing neutrophils in tumors. A facet of this putative competition was observed when the old SiglecF^{high} subpopulation decreased as a consequence of Glut1 loss. When TANs lack Glut1, neutrophil chemoattractants are induced in tumors, which may contribute to an enhanced recruitment of young neutrophils, a response that is accompanied by a reduction of tumor growth. Such a systemic response could resemble one described for TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand receptor (TRAIL-R)-mediated apoptosis in myeloid-derived suppressor cells (26); alternatively an increased homing mediated by local chemoattractants might occur upon Glut1 deficiency. The precise mechanisms and the cells responsible in this increased recruitment remain to be elucidated.

Metabolic alterations in the tumor immune compartment have been described in multiple cell types (27). Whereas here we focused on glucose transporters in TANs, another study using a 4T1 mammary tumor cell line transplantation model reported a switch toward oxidative metabolism (28) in cKit positive, immature TANs. Additionally, bone marrow neutrophils from mice with early-stage cancer were characterized by enhanced spontaneous migration compared to neutrophils from tumor-free mice (29). These cells had a higher rate of glycolysis and ATP production compared to control neutrophils, suggesting that some neutrophils are prone to rewire their glucose metabolism directly at the bone marrow stage. Undoubtedly, more work will be needed to characterize and compare how neutrophil subsets vary metabolically and functionally in different tumor types and during tumor evolution.

The accelerated turnover of neutrophils in Glut1^{KO} or under G-CSF treatment was sufficient to reduce tumor growth significantly. However, the alterations of tumor progression were visible only after a few weeks of monitoring, and we did not observe tumor regression. In contrast, the loss of Glut1 augments radiotherapy efficacy, leading to a tumor regression never observed previously with different radiotherapy protocols (this study and (25,30)). Upon radiotherapy, proliferating cancer cells accumulate double-strand breaks and die. The anti-tumor role of neutrophils seems to rely on direct cancer cell killing (31), which might be stimulated after radiotherapy treatment where cells are stressed and exposed to a strong local inflammation. The link between inflammation, anti-tumor neutrophils and radiotherapy

treatment needs to be better understood to envisage possible future neutrophil-based strategies against cancer.

In conclusion, our work highlights the importance of enhanced glucose uptake and metabolism for tumor-associated neutrophils, enabling tumor support. Although more experiments will be needed to test this directly, our data favor the hypothesis that the presence of old and possibly pro-tumor neutrophils competes with young anti-tumor neutrophils. We suggest that pro- or anti-tumor properties of neutrophils are a function of their turnover, glucose transporter expression, and differentiation status (Figure 7B), a model that may reconcile earlier studies describing opposite roles for neutrophils in cancer. In such a scenario, therapeutic agents reducing neutrophil survival or increasing young neutrophil recruitment to the tumor may counteract tumor growth when used alone or in combination with conventional anti-cancer treatment modalities such as radiotherapy. However, a limitation of our work is that the data linking TAN survival to tumor support are mainly indirect, and firm proof for this link should be obtained from future investigations.

Finally, our study positions glucose metabolism and particularly Glut1/3-mediated glucose uptake as a crucial node for TAN turnover that may control the equilibrium between pro- and anti-tumor neutrophils in lung cancer.

Supplementary Material

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Significance

Lung tumor support and radiotherapy resistance depend on Glut1-mediated glucose uptake in tumor-associated neutrophils, indicating that metabolic vulnerabilities should be considered to target both tumor cells as well as innate immune cells.

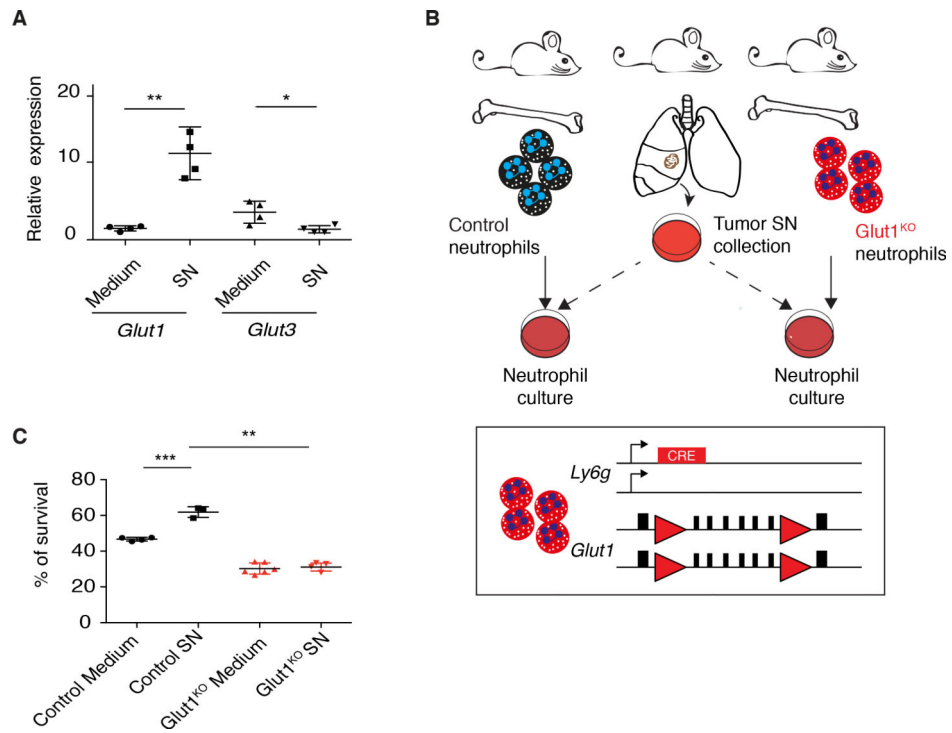


Figure 1. Glut1 expression is necessary for prolonged neutrophil survival.

A) Relative *Glut1* and *Glut3* expression by real-time PCR (mean ± s.d.) in response to supernatant (SN) or control medium. **B)** Schematic representation of the Glut1^{KO} neutrophil model and survival assay. Red triangles, LoxP sites. **C)** WT or Glut1^{KO} neutrophil survival (mean ± s.d.) after 20 hours in control medium or in presence of tumor-derived SN.

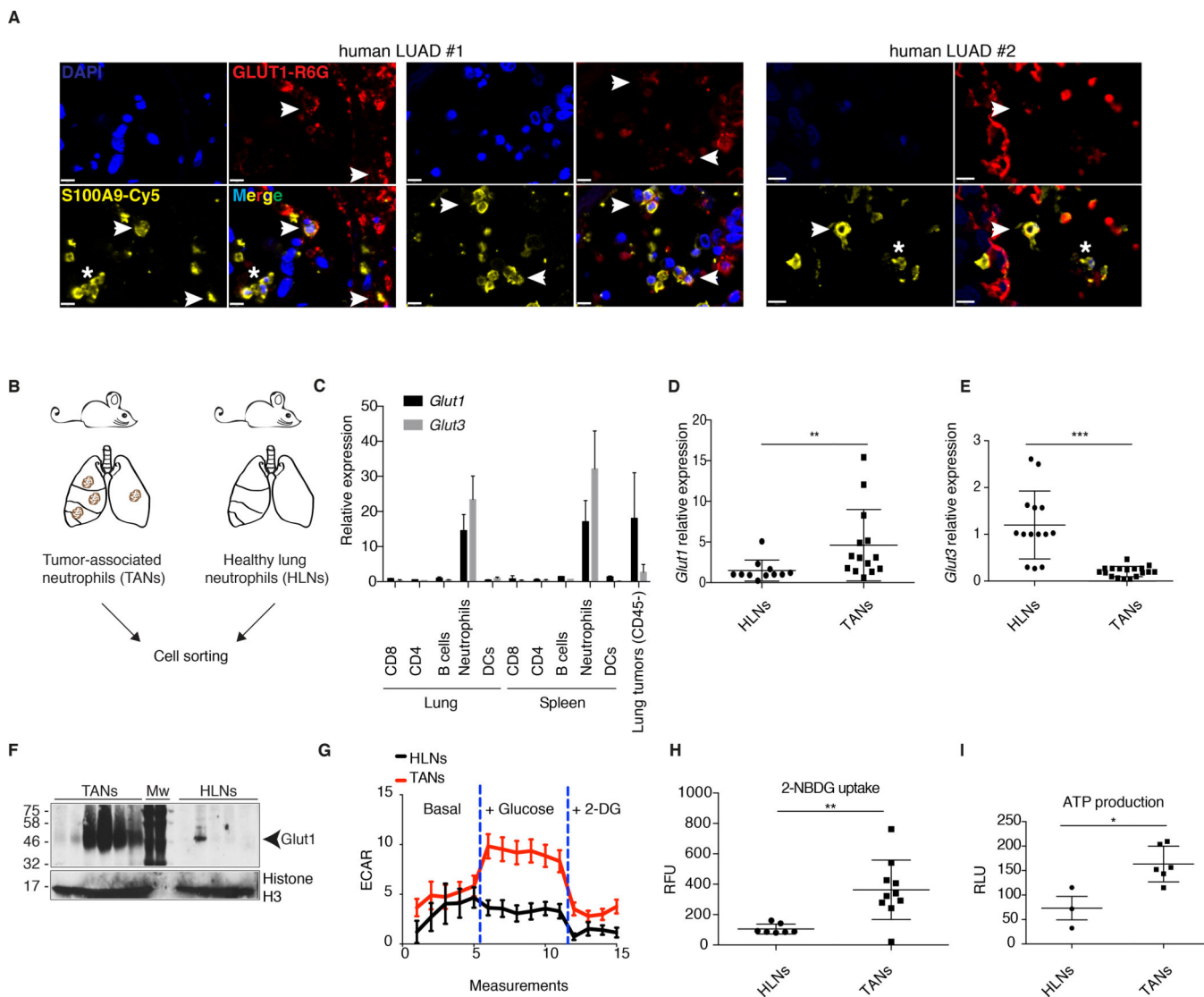


Figure 2. Tumor-associated neutrophils are more glycolytic than neutrophils from healthy lung. **A)** Two human LUAD samples (with two different regions for the first one) showing TANs expressing (white arrowheads) or not (white asterisks) GLUT1. Staining was done with DAPI (dark blue), S100A9 (yellow) and GLUT1 (red). Scale bars: 10 μ m. **B)** Schematic representation of the isolation of TANs and healthy lung neutrophils (HLNs). **C)** *Glut1* and *Glut3* expression (mean \pm s.d.) in different cell-sorted populations from healthy lung or spleen, or from the CD45- fraction of lung tumors. **D-E)** Real-time PCR analyses of *Glut1* and *Glut3* expression (mean \pm s.d.) in HLNs compared to TANs. **F)** Western blot of Glut1 from HLNs and TANs. Mw, molecular weight marker. **G)** Seahorse analysis to measure ECAR in response to glucose addition to the medium in HLNs compared to TANs (mean \pm s.e.m.). **H)** Measurements of 2-NBDG uptake (mean \pm s.d.) in HLNs compared to TANs. RFU, relative fluorescence units. **I)** ATP production in HLNs compared to TANs (mean \pm s.d.). RLU, relative light units.

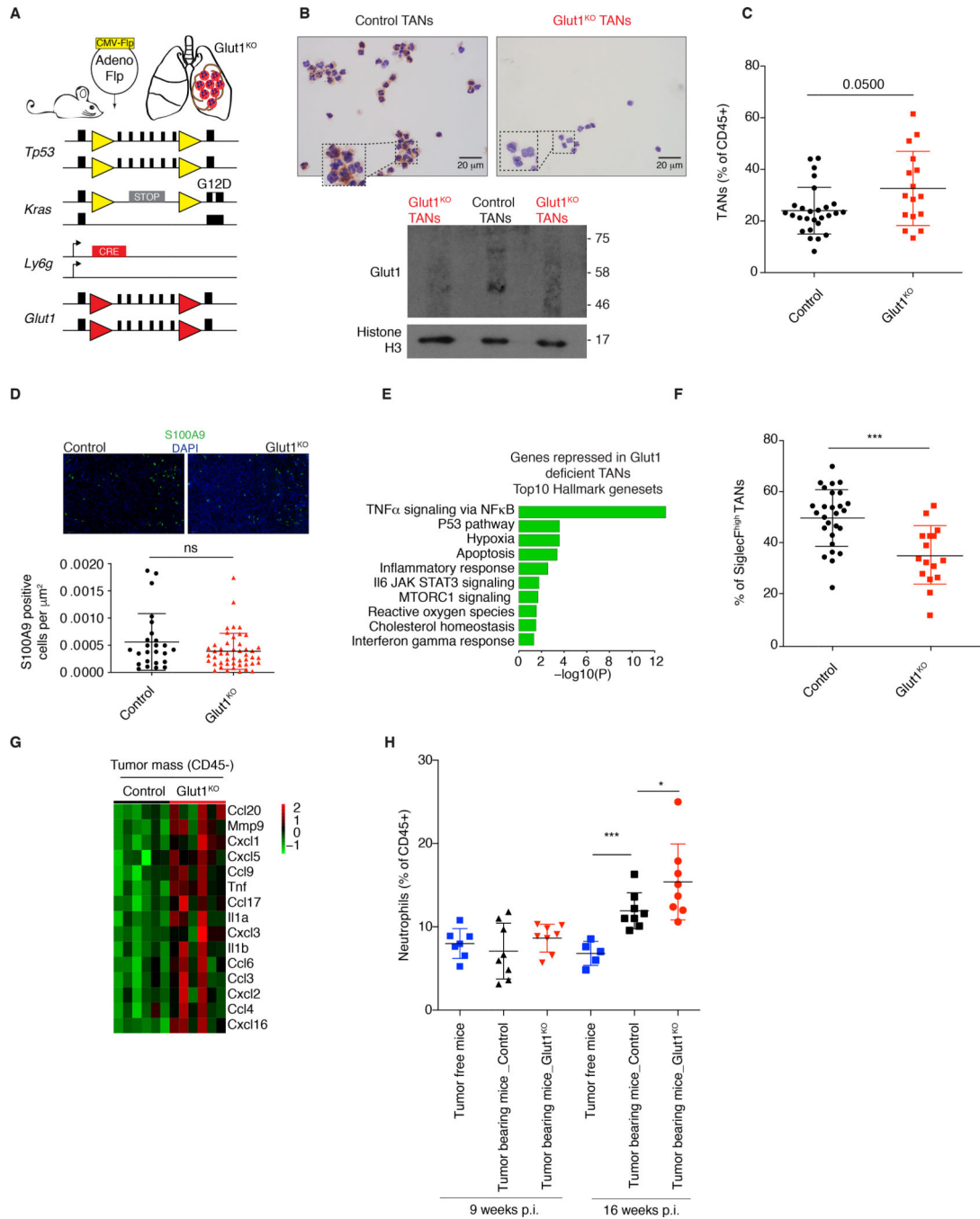


Figure 3. Neutrophil-specific *Glut1* deletion reduces the proportion of SiglecF^{high} TANs.
A) Schematic representation of the mouse model used. Yellow triangles, Frt sites; Red triangles, LoxP sites. **B)** *Glut1* protein expression levels in isolated *Glut1*^{KO} TANs or control TANs by immunocytochemistry. **C)** Neutrophil prevalence (mean ± s.d.) in KP tumors in control and *Glut1*^{KO} conditions. **D)** Representative staining and quantification of S100A9 immunofluorescence from n= 25 control and n= 47 *Glut1*^{KO} tumors. **E)** Top 10 pathways from Hallmark over-represented among the top 200 genes most repressed in *Glut1*^{KO} TANs compared to WT TANs. P-value was computed with Fisher exact test. **F)** SiglecF^{high} cells

among control and Glut1^{KO} TANs (mean \pm s.d.). **G**) Heatmap of chemoattractant genes overexpressed in CD45- cells in Glut1^{KO} compared to control neutrophil conditions. **H**) Neutrophil proportions in the blood of healthy and tumor-bearing mice 9 or 16 weeks post-tumor initiation (p.i.) (mean \pm s.d.).

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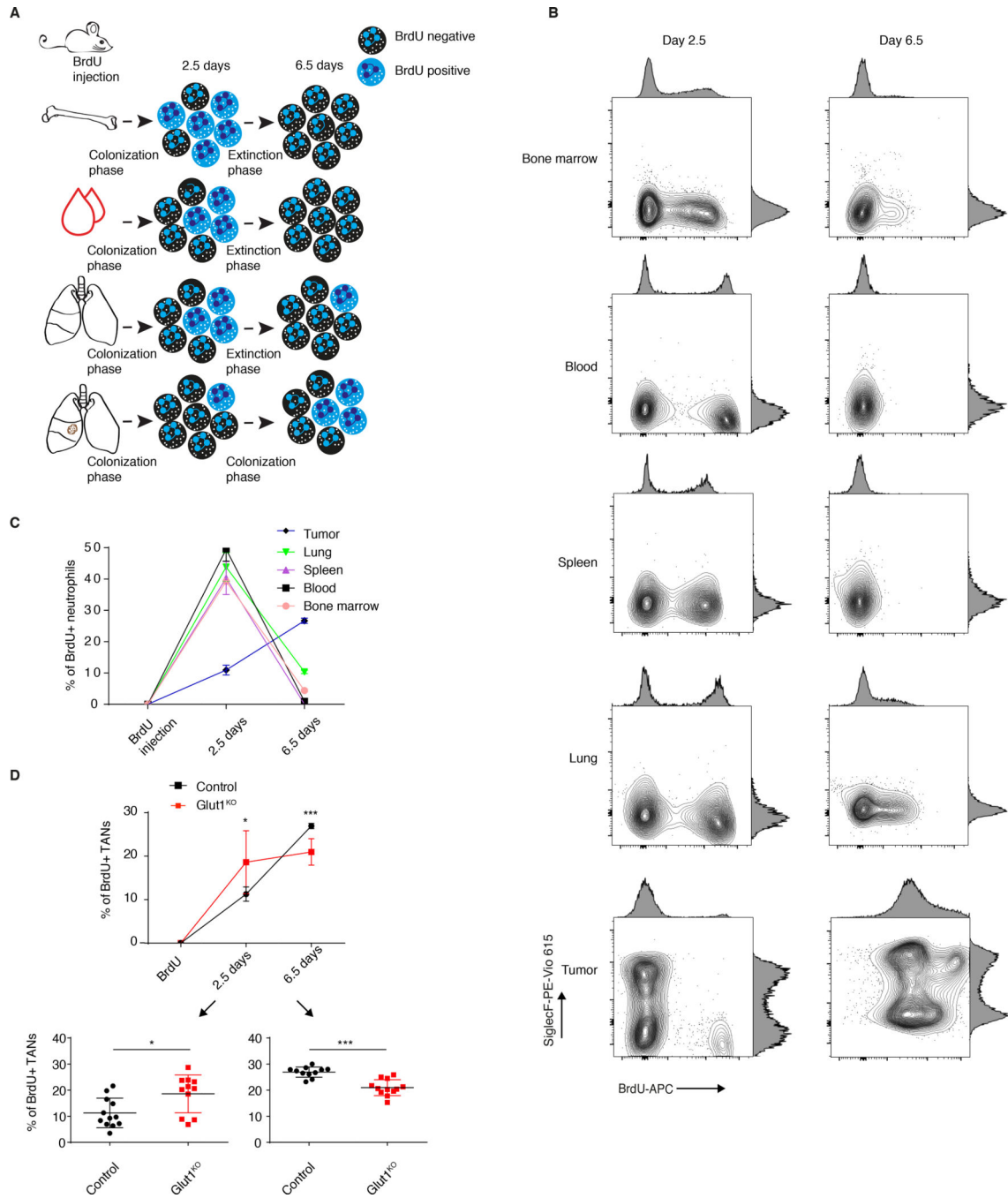


Figure 4. Neutrophil-specific Glut1 deletion accelerates their turnover.

A) Schematic representation of the BrdU experiments. **B)** Representative BrdU and SiglecF staining in neutrophils from the bone marrow, blood, healthy spleen, healthy lung and tumors 2.5 and 6.5 days after a single BrdU injection. **C)** BrdU positive neutrophil percentage (mean ± s.d.) among neutrophils in the bone marrow, blood, healthy spleen, healthy lung and tumors 2.5 and 6.5 days after a single BrdU injection. **D)** Neutrophil turnover kinetics experiment, with detailed measurements at 2.5 (lower left) and 6.5 days (lower right) after BrdU injection in tumors in control and Glut1^{KO} conditions (mean ± s.d.).

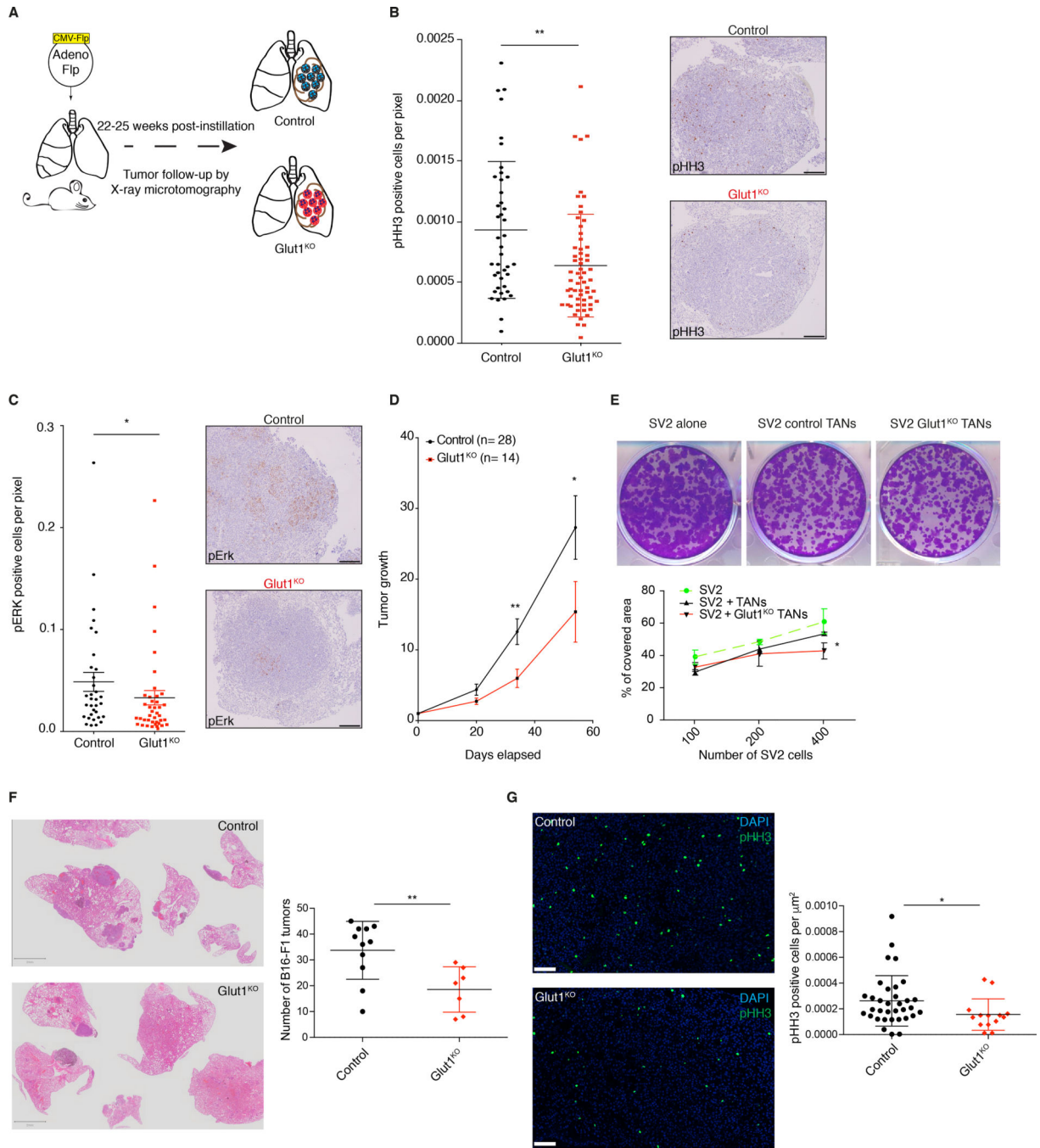


Figure 5. Glut1 deletion in neutrophils reduces tumor growth.

A) Schematic representation of the experiments. **B)** (left) Quantification of phospho-Histone H3 (pHH3) staining in Glut1^{KO} or control tumors (mean ± s.d.). (right) Representative staining of pHH3 in tumors. Scale bars: 200 μm. **C)** (left) Quantification of phospho-ERK (pERK) staining in tumors (mean ± s.d.). (right) Representative staining of pERK in tumors. Scale bars: 200 μm. **D)** Long-term μCT analysis of tumor-bearing mice. Data represent tumor volumes (mean ± s.e.m.) normalized to the first volume (set to 1) of the same tumors in control or GLUT1^{KO}. Control n= 28 tumors; Glut1^{KO} n= 14 tumors. **E)** Representative

images (upper panel) of the SV2 cell line spreading assay, cultured alone or in presence of control or Glut1^{KO} TANs. (lower panel), cell-covered area quantification of SV2 cell lines cultured alone or in presence of control or Glut1^{KO} TANs. **F**) Representative Hematoxylin and Eosin (H&E) staining of experimental lung metastases from B16-F1 melanoma cells (left panel, scale bars: 2 mm). (right panel) Tumor quantification. **G**) Representative pHH3 immunofluorescence staining (left panel, scale bars: 100 μ m) and quantification (right panel).

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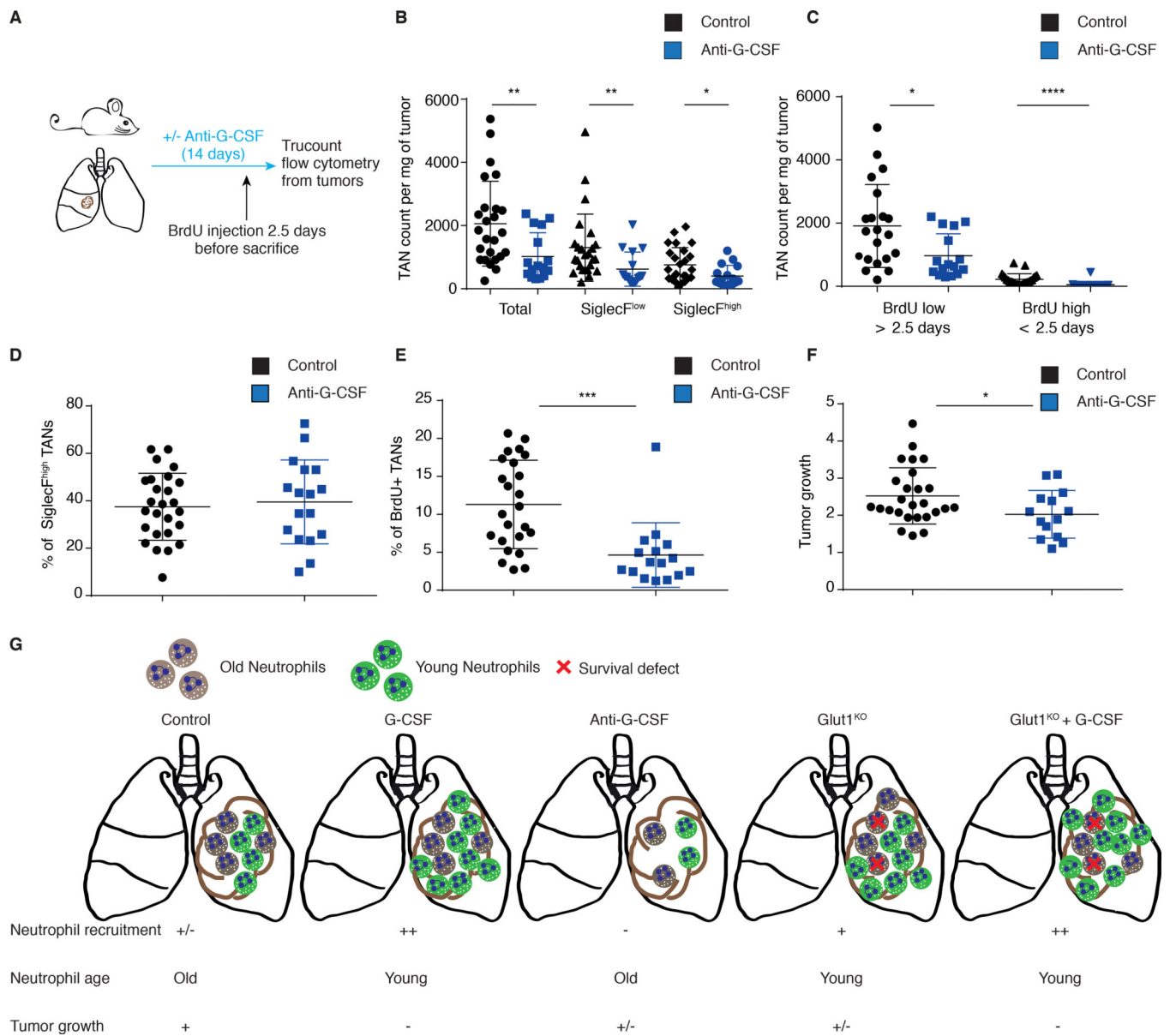


Figure 6. G-CSF neutralization reduces TAN numbers and tumor growth.

A) Schematic representation of the experiment. **B)** Truocount flow cytometry of total, Siglec^{low} or Siglec^{high} TANs in control or anti-G-CSF conditions (mean ± s.d.). **C)** Truocount flow cytometry of BrdU positive and negative neutrophils in control or anti-G-CSF conditions (mean ± s.d.). **D)** Percentage of Siglec^{high} TANs in control or anti G-CSF conditions (mean ± s.d.). **E)** Percentage of young TANs (< 2.5 days) in control or anti G-CSF conditions (mean ± s.d.). **F)** μCT analysis of tumor growth in control or anti G-CSF conditions (mean ± s.d.). **G)** Schematic representation to summarize the conclusions linking neutrophil lifespan and tumor progression.

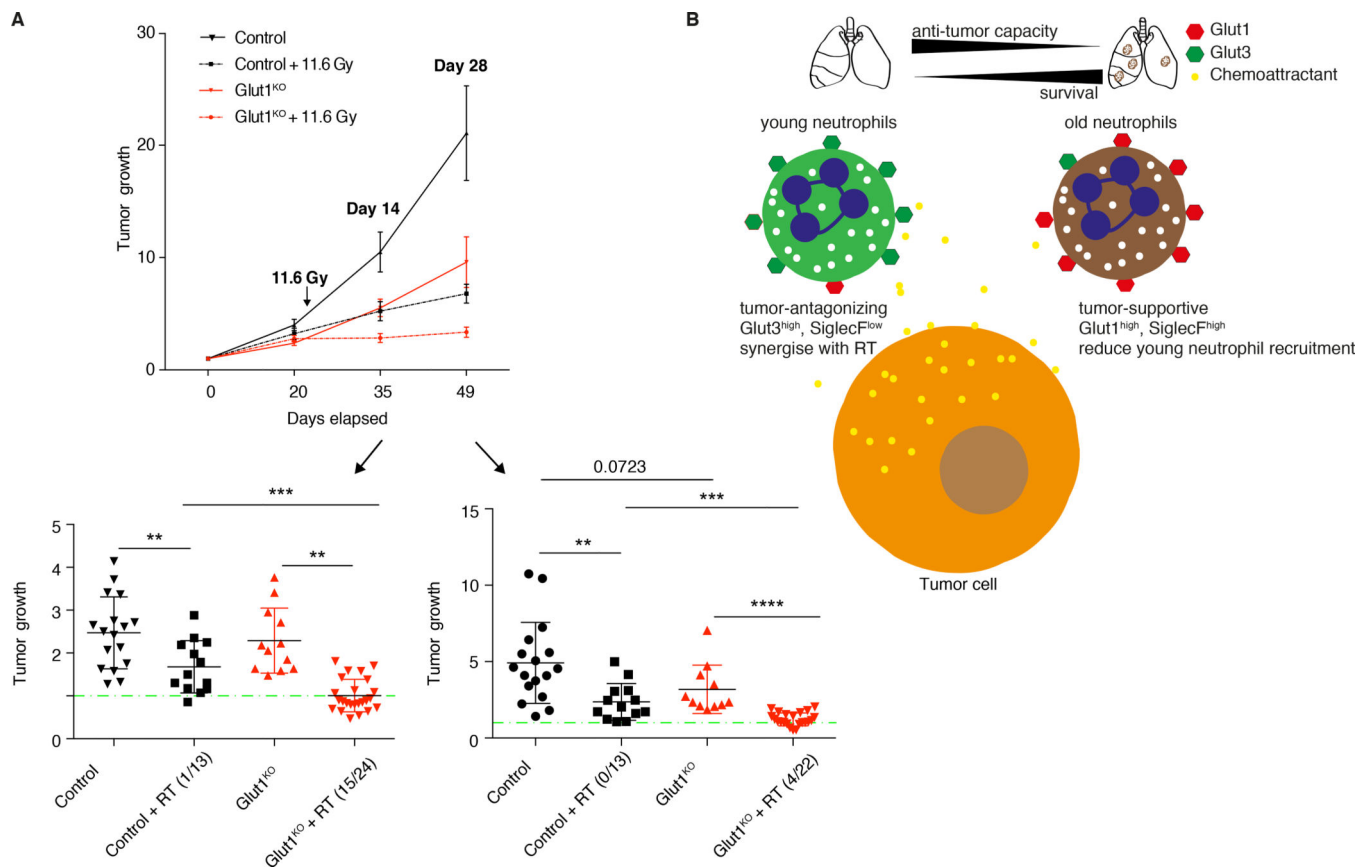


Figure 7. Glut1 deletion in neutrophils increases radiotherapy efficacy.

A) μ CT analysis of control or Glut1^{KO} tumors before and after 11.6 Gy radiotherapy (RT) or untreated (mean \pm s.e.m.), normalized to the first volume (set to 1) of the same tumors. The tumors' progression or regression are detailed at 14 days (lower left, n= 17, 13, 12 and 24) and 28 days (lower right, n=17, 13, 11 and 22) after radiotherapy (mean \pm s.e.m.). The green line indicates a growth of 1 and numbers indicate the number of tumors with a reduced volume. **B)** Model illustrating the findings from this study. In the tumor, two neutrophil subpopulations exist. The young Glut3^{high} anti-tumor neutrophils are recruited by chemoattractants secreted by the non-immune fraction of the tumor, presumably tumor cells. Within the tumor, neutrophils become dependent on Glut1 to survive and to support on-site aging and differentiation. This extensive survival forms a second subpopulation of neutrophils expressing SiglecF and exhibiting tumor-supportive properties. These old neutrophils limit chemoattractant production by tumor cells, thus inhibiting the recruitment of young neutrophils.

Key Resources Table

Reagent type (species) or resource	Source or reference	Identifiers	Additional information
Antibodies			
Anti-mouse PD-1 (clone 29F.1A12, rat, monoclonal)	Bio X Cell	Cat# BE0273	Immunotherapy treatment
		RRID:AB_2687796	200 µg/mouse twice a week for 2 weeks
Anti-mouse G-CSF (clone 67604, rat, monoclonal)	R&D Systems	Cat# MAB414	Anti G-CSF treatment
		RRID:AB_2085954	10 µg every day for 14 days
Anti-GLUT1 (rabbit, polyclonal)	Millipore	Cat# 07-1401	WB
	RRID:AB_1587074	IF (1:5'000)	
Anti-GLUT1 (rabbit, monoclonal)	Abcam	Cat# ab115730	IHC (1:650)
		RRID:AB_10903230	
Anti-Histone H3 (rabbit, polyclonal)	Abcam	Cat# ab1791	WB
		RRID:AB_302613	
Anti-pHH3 (rabbit, polyclonal)	Cell Signaling Technology	Cat# 9701S	IHC (1:100)
		RRID:AB_331535	
Anti-pErk (rabbit, monoclonal)	Cell Signaling Technology	Cat# 4370S	IHC (1:400)
		RRID:AB_2315112	
Anti-S100A9 (rabbit, polyclonal)	Novus biologicals	Cat# NB110-89726	IHC (1:5'000)
		RRID:AB_1217846	IF (1:20'000)
Anti-CD4 (clone SP35, rabbit, monoclonal)	Roche Diagnostics	Cat# 05552737001	IF
Anti-CD8 (clone SP57, rabbit, monoclonal)	Roche Diagnostics	Cat# 05937248001	IF
Anti-mouse-CD45-BUV661 (clone 30-F11, rat, monoclonal)	BD Biosciences	Cat# 565079	Flow cytometry
		RRID:AB_2739057	
Anti-mouse/human-CD11b-BV711 (clone M1/70, rat, monoclonal)	BioLegend	Cat# 101242	Flow cytometry
		RRID:AB_2563310	
Anti-mouse-Ly6G-PE (clone 1A8, rat, monoclonal)	BioLegend	Cat# 127607	Flow cytometry
		RRID:AB_1186104	
Anti-mouse-Siglec-F-PE-Vio 615 (clone REA798, human, monoclonal)	Miltenyi Biotec	Cat# 130-112-172	Flow cytometry
		RRID:AB_2653444	
Anti-BrdU-APC (clone Bu20a, mouse, monoclonal)	BioLegend	Cat# 339808	Flow cytometry
		RRID:AB_10895898	
Anti-PD-L1-BV-785 (clone 10F.9G2, rat, monoclonal)	BioLegend	Cat# 124331	Flow cytometry
		RRID:AB_2629659	
Recombinant proteins			
Recombinant murine G-CSF	PeproTech	Cat# 250-05	G-CSF treatment
			10 µg, daily injection
Recombinant murine TNF	PeproTech	Cat# 315-01A	TNF stimulation

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			10 ng/ml, 4 hours
Viral vector			
Ad5CMVFlpo (adenoviral vector)			University of Iowa Viral Vector Core Facility
Sequence-based reagents			
<i>Rpl30</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm01611464_g1	TaqMan probe (Housekeeping gene)
<i>Slc2a1</i> (<i>Glut1</i>) (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm00441480_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>Slc2a3</i> (<i>Glut3</i>) (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm00441483_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>Arg1</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm00475988_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>Hk2</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm00443385_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>Siglec5</i> (<i>Siglec5</i>) (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm00523987_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>Ikbke</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm00444862_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>ApoE</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm01307193_g1	TaqMan probe
<i>Pfkfb</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm00444792_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>Cxcl3</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm01701838_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>Grx1</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm01352826_g1	TaqMan probe
<i>Il23a</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm00518984_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>Padi4</i> (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm01341658_m1	TaqMan probe
<i>Csf3</i> (<i>G-CSF</i>) (<i>Mus musculus</i>)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Mm00438334_m1	TaqMan probe
Chemicals			
Isoflurane	Piramal	Cat# 56.761.002	Anaesthetic
BrdU	Merck	Cat# 10280879001	BrdU assay 2 mg of freshly prepared BrdU into 100 µl of PBS 1X
Glucose	VWR	Cat# 1.08337.0250	Seahorse 10 mM glucose
2-deoxyglucose (2-DG)	Merck	Cat# D8375-5G	Seahorse 50 mM 2-DG
Crystal violet	Merck	Cat# C3886	
Experimental Models: Cell lines			
B16-F1 (<i>Mus musculus</i>)		RRID:CVCL_0158	Melanoma lung metastases
SV2 (<i>Mus musculus</i>)			Developed in our laboratory
Experimental Models: Organism/Strains			
<i>Kras</i> ^{Lox-STOP-Lox-G12D/WT} (K)	The Jackson Laboratory	RRID:IMSR_JAX:008179	<i>Kras</i> ^{LoxSTOPLox-G12D/WT} K and P were interbred at EPFL
<i>Tp53</i> ^{Flox/Flox} (P)	The Jackson Laboratory	RRID:IMSR_JAX:008462	<i>Tp53</i> ^{Flox/Flox} K and P were interbred at EPFL
<i>Kras</i> ^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT} (K ^{Frt})	The Jackson Laboratory	RRID:IMSR_JAX:008653	KP ^{Frt} were provided by D.G. Kirsch, Duke University Medical Center in a mixed 129-C57BL/6 background

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<i>Tp53^{Frt/Frt}</i> (P ^{Frt})	The Jackson Laboratory	RRID:IMSR_JAX:017767	KP ^{Frt} were provided by D.G. Kirsch, Duke University Medical Center in a mixed 129-C57BL/6 background
<i>Glut1^{Flox/Flox}</i> (G1)	The Jackson Laboratory	RRID:IMSR_JAX:031871	Glut1 ^{Flox/Flox} were provided by E. Dale Abel, University of Iowa in a C57BL/6 background
<i>Glut3^{Flox/Flox}</i> (G3)			Duke University Transgenic Facility
<i>Ly6g^{Cre}</i> (Catchup)			<i>Ly6g^{Cre}</i> (Catchup) were provided by M. Gunzer, University Duisburg-Essen, in a C57BL/6 background
<i>Kras^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT}</i> ; <i>Tp53^{Frt/Frt}</i> ; <i>Ly6g^{Cre/WT}</i> ; <i>Glut1^{Flox/Flox}</i>			G1, <i>Ly6g^{Cre}</i> and KP ^{Frt} mice were interbred at EPFL
<i>Kras^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT}</i> ; <i>Tp53^{Frt/Frt}</i> ; <i>Ly6g^{WT/WT}</i> ; <i>Glut1^{Flox/Flox}</i>			G1, <i>Ly6g^{Cre}</i> and KP ^{Frt} mice were interbred at EPFL
<i>Kras^{Frt-STOP-Frt-G12D/WT}</i> ; <i>Tp53^{Frt/Frt}</i> ; <i>Ly6g^{Cre/WT}</i> ; <i>Glut1^{WT/WT}</i>			G1, <i>Ly6g^{Cre}</i> and KP ^{Frt} mice were interbred at EPFL
Commercial assays and kits			
Anti-mouse CD45 MicroBeads (clone 30F11.1, monoclonal)	Miltenyi Biotec	Cat# 130-052-301	CD45 magnetic cell sorting
		RRID:AB_2877061)	
Anti-mouse Ly-6G MicroBead (monoclonal)	Miltenyi Biotec	Cat# 130-092-332	Ly-6G magnetic cell sorting
Anti-mouse Ly-6G MicroBeads UltraPure (clone REA526, monoclonal)	Miltenyi Biotec	Cat# 130-120-337	Ly-6G magnetic cell sorting
Centricon Plus-70 Centrifugal Filter (3 kDa cutoff)	Merck	Cat# UFC700308	Size exclusion separation of proteins
High-Capacity cDNA Reverse Transcription Kit	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Cat# 4368814	Reverse transcription
BCA Protein Assay Kit	Merck	Cat# 71285-3	Protein quantification
CountBright™ Absolute Counting Beads	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Cat# C36950	Flow cytometry
Anti-rabbit Immpress HRP (horse)	Vector Laboratories	Cat# MP-7401	Peroxidase Polymer Detection Kit
		RRID:AB_2336529	
Rhodamine-6G	Roche Diagnostics	Cat# 07988168001	TSA kit
DCC	Roche Diagnostics	Cat# 07988192001	TSA kit
Red 610	Roche Diagnostics	Cat# 07988176001	TSA kit
Cyanine 5	Roche Diagnostics	Cat# 07551215001	TSA kit
Glucose-uptake cell-based assay kit	Cayman Chemical	Cat# CAY-600470-1	Glucose Uptake Cell-Based Assay Kit
CellTiter-Glo® Luminescent Cell Viability Assay	Promega	Cat# G7570	ATP production
Software and Algorithms			
Analyze 12.0	PerkinElmer		Tumor volume analysis
OsiriX MD	Pixmeo	RRID:SCR_013618	Tumor volume analysis
QuPath		RRID:SCR_018257	
Fiji		RRID:SCR_002285	
FlowJo		RRID:SCR_008520	Flow cytometry
GraphPad Prism		RRID:SCR_002798	

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Instruments			
X-Ray microtomography	PerkinElmer		Quantum FX microCT
20 mm ² collimator			Radiotherapy treatment
			13 mA, 3 mm Cu filter, 225 keV
			11.6 Gy with a single dose in 256 seconds
Automated Ventana Discovery ULTRA	Roche Diagnostics		Human sample multiplexing
Olympus slide scanner	Olympus	VS120-L100	Slide scanner
XF96 Extracellular Flux analyser	Seahorse Bioscience	XF96	Seahorse
LSRII SORP	Becton Dickinson		Flow cytometry

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