

Supporting Information for:

IL-15 synergizes with CD40 agonist antibodies to induce durable immunity against bladder cancer

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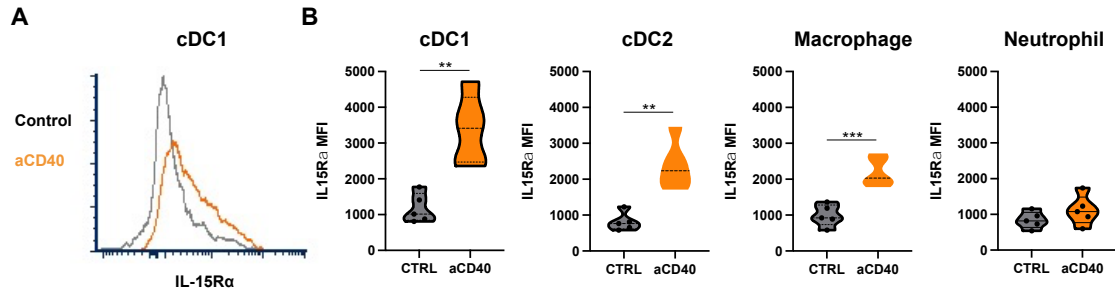


Fig. S1. CD40 agonism induces IL-15R α upregulation on dendritic cells in the UPPL1541 bladder tumor microenvironment. Mice bearing orthotopic UPPL1541 bladder tumors were treated intravesically with anti-CD40 antibody or isotype-matched control antibody on days 6 and 9 post-tumor implantation. (A) Representative histogram and (B) quantification across mice of IL-15R α mean fluorescence intensity on type-1 conventional DCs (cDC1; defined as F4/80⁻Ly-6G⁻CD11c⁺MHCII⁺XCR1⁺), type-2 conventional DCs (cDC2; defined as F4/80⁻Ly-6G⁻CD11c⁺MHCII⁺SIRP α ⁺), macrophages (defined as CD11b⁺F4/80⁺Ly-6G⁻), and neutrophils (defined as CD11b⁺Ly-6G⁺) in the bladder microenvironment as assessed by flow cytometry at day 12 post-tumor implantation (n = 5 mice per group). **p < 0.01, ***p < 0.001.

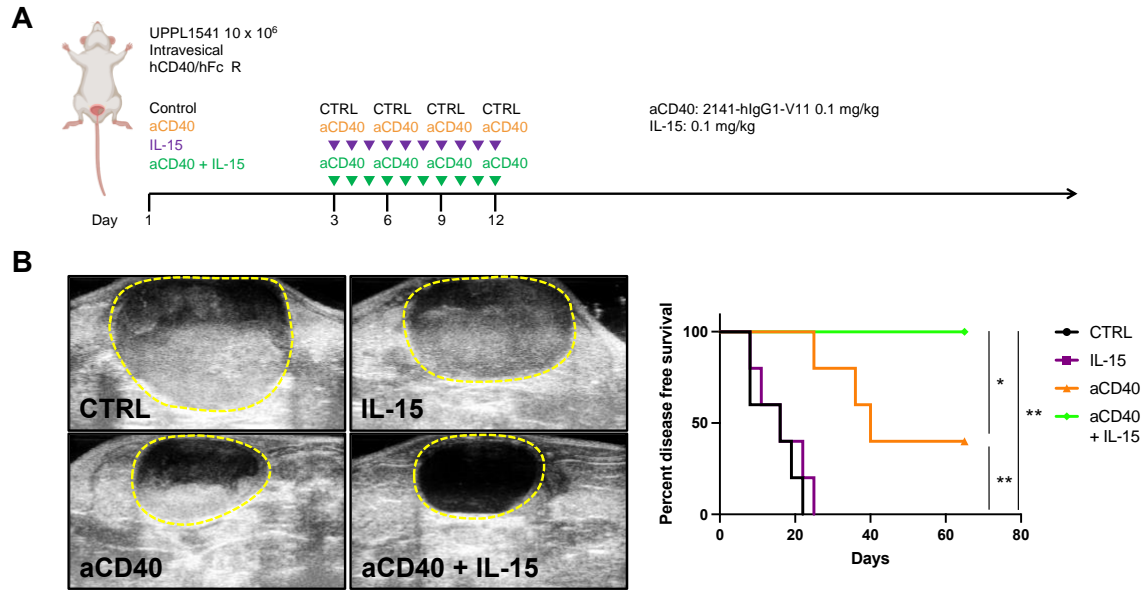


Fig. S2. Combination of Fc-optimized anti-CD40 agonist antibody 2141-V11 and IL-15 enhances anti-tumor activity against UPPL1541 tumors. (A) Schematic of the treatment of humanized hCD40/hFcR mice bearing orthotopic UPPL1541 bladder tumors with anti-CD40 antibody 2141-V11 and/or IL-15 or control (isotype-matched control antibody and/or vehicle). (B) Representative bladder ultrasound imaging (left) at day 45 post-tumor implantation and disease-free survival (right) of mice treated as outlined in A. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$.

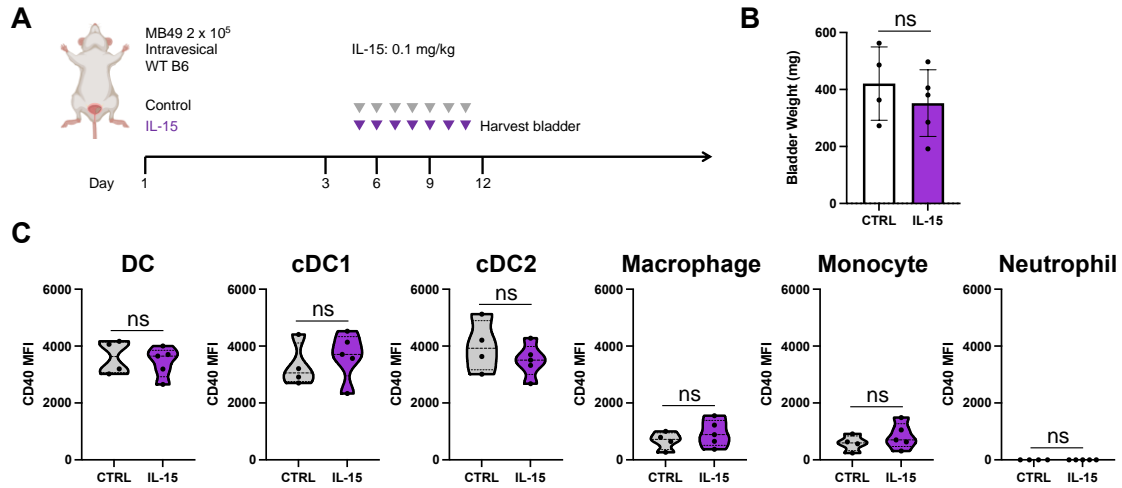


Fig. S3. IL-15 therapy does not modulate myeloid CD40 expression. (A) Schematic of the treatment of mice bearing orthotopic MB49 bladder tumors with IL-15 or vehicle control. (B) Bladder weights across mice at day 12 post-tumor implantation ($n = 4-5$ mice per group; bars represent SD). (C) CD40 mean fluorescence intensity across mice on total dendritic cells (DC; defined as $F4/80^-Ly-6G^-CD11c^+MHCII^+$), type-1 conventional DCs (cDC1; defined as $F4/80^-Ly-6G^-CD11c^+MHCII^+XCR1^+$), type-2 conventional DCs (cDC2; defined as $F4/80^-Ly-6G^-CD11c^+MHCII^+SIRP\alpha^+$), macrophages (defined as $CD11b^+F4/80^+Ly-6G^-$), monocytes (defined as $CD11b^{hi}Ly-6G^-$), and neutrophils (defined as $CD11b^+Ly-6G^+$) in the bladder microenvironment as assessed by flow cytometry at day 12 post-tumor implantation ($n = 4-5$ mice per group). ns = not significant.