

1 **SUPPLEMENTARY METHODS**

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3 **Genomic ancestry prediction in Foundation Medicine cohort**

4 To generate a genomic ancestry prediction for each patient in cohort #2, single-
5 nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) targeted by CGP were superimposed with Phase 3
6 1000 Genomes data and projected down to the top five principal components and used
7 to train a random forest classifier to recognize five general ancestries: African, admixed
8 American, East Asian, European, and South Asian [1].

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10 **Programmed death ligand 1-tumor proportion score in NSCLC of cohort #1 and**
11 **cohort #2**

12 The PD-L1 TPS was determined for NSCLCs from DFCI, MSKCC and FMI by
13 immunohistochemistry using validated anti-PD-L1 antibodies including E1L3N (Cell
14 Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA), 22C3 (Dako North America Inc, Carpinteria, CA),
15 and 28-8 (Epitomics Inc, Burlingame, CA), according to local institutional practice.

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17 **Tumor mutational burden assessment in cohort #1 and cohort #2**

18 For cases from DFCI and MSKCC, TMB, defined as the number of somatic,
19 coding, base substitution, and indel mutations per megabase (mut/Mb) of genome
20 examined, was determined using OncoPanel and MSK-IMPACT, as previously
21 described [2,3]. Regarding MSKCC NSCLC cases, comprehensive TMB data for
22 harmonization from MSK MetTropism (MSK, Cell 2021) dataset were downloaded in
23 cBioPortal. For NSCLC cases from DFCI and MSKCC, TMB distributions were

24 harmonized across the two sequencing platforms by applying a normal transformation
25 followed by standardization to z-scores, as previously described [4]. TMB of cases from
26 TCGA studies and China Pan-cancer according to each platform. For cohort #2, TMB
27 was calculated by counting the number of non-driver synonymous and non-synonymous
28 mutations across a 0.8–1.2 megabase (Mb) region, with computational germline status
29 filtering, and reporting as mutations/Mb. This method has been previously validated for
30 accuracy against whole exome sequencing [5].

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32 **Caris Life Sciences non-small cell lung cancer cohort**

33 *Next generation sequencing*

34 NSCLC tumors molecularly profiled at Caris Life Sciences (Phoenix, AZ) between
35 2017-2022 were examined for *MET* TKD mutations. Next generation sequencing (NGS)
36 was performed on genomic DNA isolated from formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded (FFPE)
37 tumor samples using the NextSeq or NovaSeq 6000 platform (Illumina, Inc., San Diego,
38 CA). For the Nextseq sequenced tumors, a custom-designed SureSelect XT assay was
39 used to enrich 592 whole-gene targets (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA). Further,
40 for the NovaSeq sequenced tumors, 719 clinically relevant genes were enriched at a high
41 coverage and read-depth, along with another panel designed to enrich for >20,000 genes
42 at lower read-depth. All variants were detected with >99% confidence based on allele
43 frequency and amplicon coverage, with an average sequencing depth of coverage of
44 >500 and an analytic sensitivity to identify variants with a variant allele frequency of $\geq 5\%$.
45 Genetic variants identified were interpreted by board-certified molecular geneticists and
46 categorized as ‘pathogenic (P),’ ‘likely pathogenic (LP),’ ‘variant of unknown significance,’

47 'likely benign,' or 'benign,' according to the American College of Medical Genetics and
48 Genomics (ACMG) standards. When assessing mutation frequencies of individual genes,
49 'pathogenic' and 'presumed pathogenic' were counted as mutations. The copy number
50 alteration (CNA) of each exon was determined by calculating the average depth of the
51 sample along with the sequencing depth of each exon and comparing this calculated
52 result to a pre-calibrated value.

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54 *Tumor Mutational Burden Estimation*

55 After excluding all variants previously described as germline alterations according
56 to dbSNP151, Genome Aggregation Database (gnomAD) databases and those
57 characterized as benign variants by Caris geneticists, tumor mutational burden (TMB)
58 was calculated by counting non-synonymous, missense, nonsense, inframe
59 insertion/deletion and frameshift mutations present in each tumor. A cutoff point of ≥ 10
60 mutations per megabase was used to classify TMB-high (TMB-H) tumors, based on
61 findings from the KEYNOTE-158 study [6].

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63 *Immunohistochemistry (IHC) for PD-L1 assessment*

64 IHC was performed on FFPE sections. Slides were stained using automated
65 staining techniques in accordance with the manufacturer's protocol and were further
66 optimized and validated as per CLIA/CAO and ISO requirements. A board-certified
67 pathologist evaluated all IHC results independently. The primary PD-L1 antibody clone
68 was 22c3 (Dako). Tumor Proportion Score (TPS) was measured as the percentage of
69 viable tumor cells showing partial or complete membrane staining at any intensity. A

70 tumor was considered PD-L1 positive if its TPS was $\geq 1\%$ and PD-L1 high if its TPS was
71 $\geq 50\%$

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73 *Oncogenic driver mutations in NSCLC*

74 Tumors positive for *MET*ex14 alterations were classified as those having likely LP/
75 P mutations in exon 14 of the *MET* gene or that were positive for *MET*ex14 alterations
76 (determined by WTS). Oncogenic driver positive NSCLC harbored at least one of the
77 following alterations: LP/P mutations in *KRAS*, *EGFR*, *BRAF*, *ERBB2*; copy number
78 amplification of *ERBB2* (≥ 6 copies), *MET*ex14 alterations, LP/P rearrangements in *ALK*,
79 *ROS1*, *RET*, *NTRK 1-3*, or *NRG1*.

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81 **Preclinical models**

82 *Antibodies and compounds*

83 Antibodies against pMET (Tyr-1234; sc-101736; 1:1000) and MET (sc-161;
84 1:1000) were purchased from Santa Cruz Biotechnology; phospho-ERK1/2 (#4370;
85 1:1000); ERK1/2 (#9102; 1:1000), phospho-AKT (#4060; 1:1000), AKT (#9272; 1:1000),
86 HSP 90 (#4877; 1:1000), phospho-EGFR (#3777; 1:1000); EGFR (#4267; 1:1000); anti-
87 rabbit IgG HRP-linked antibody (#7074; 1:5000 or 1:10000), and anti-mouse IgG HRP-
88 linked antibody (#7076; 1:5000 or 1:10000) from Cell Signaling Technology. Crizotinib,
89 capmatinib, tepotinib, cabozantinib, and osimertinib were purchased from Selleckchem.
90 Elzovantinib (TPX-0022) was provided by Turning Point Therapeutics.

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92 *Transfection and Luciferase assay*

93 Transfection experiments were performed using FuGENE HD Transfection
94 Reagent (Promega) as per the manufacturer's protocol. For luciferase assays, the
95 pGL4.33[luc2P/SRE/Hygro] and pRL-TK vectors (Promega) were co-transfected with
96 MET expression vectors. At 72 hours after transfection, the cells were lysed and
97 subjected to either western blotting or luciferase assay. Luciferase activity was
98 measured using the Dual-Luciferase Reporter Assay System (Promega). All
99 experimental conditions were set up in 3 wells.

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101 **Structural analysis**

102 *Generation of the MET Models*

103 The cocrystal structure of MET with ATP (PDBID:3DKC) was used to build the
104 simulation system. Initial modeling was done in the Schrodinger 2022-3. The protein
105 preparation wizard was used to assign bond orders, add hydrogens, create disulfide
106 bonds, and fill in missing side chains using the Prime module. Ionization and tautomeric
107 states for heteroatom groups were generated using the Epik module at neutral pH (pH
108 7.0 ± 2.0), and protonated states of titratable residues were determined by pKa
109 calculations at physiological conditions (pH 7.0 ± 2.0) using the PROPKA module. A
110 restrained minimization was also performed on all atoms using the OPLS4 force field
111 [7]. The minimization was considered converged once heavy atom displacement was
112 below 0.3 angstroms. Orientations of asparagine and glutamine were sampled at this
113 step to optimize the hydrogen bonding network using the built in workflow. Waters within
114 5.0 angstroms of the ATP and Mg⁺² were retained [8,9]. This initial structure contained
115 3 engineered residues at positions 1194, 1234, and 1235. As such, we used this

116 structure as a template for the generation of active state ATP bound MET kinase
117 homology models for mutants. To model the wild type structure, the canonical sequence
118 (Primary accession number: P08581) was used. Appropriate substitutions in the
119 canonical sequence was done to generate the H1094Y, F1200I, and R1170Q models
120 [10]. These three sequences were aligned using ClustalW to the structure of crystal
121 structure. ATP, Mg⁺² ion, and the one water molecule that chelates the Mg⁺² ion were
122 used as co-factors when building the homology models.

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124 *ATP Parameterization*

125 The initial ATP bound in wild type MET crystal was used for parametrization. In
126 this model, the triphosphate tail of ATP is fully deprotonated resulting in a -4 charge. We
127 generated a force field based optimized complex for the initial geometry for the quantum
128 mechanical calculations. The initial complex underwent a global unrestrained
129 minimization using the OPLS4 forced field using the Prime minimization panel. An
130 implicit (variable-dielectric generalized Born model) solvent model for water was used
131 during the minimization. From this minimized complex, the ATP, Mg⁺² ion, chelating
132 water, residues 1209 and 1222 (residues with side chains that interact with the Mg⁺²
133 ion), and residues 1159 and 1160 (residues that hydrogen bond with the ATP
134 adenosine group) were extracted for quantum mechanical treatment. The three peptide
135 fragments (residues 1159 and 1160, 1209, and 1222), were capped using acetyl group
136 or N-methyl amide on the N and C terminus, respectively. These capping groups were
137 orientated to retain the backbone angles of neighboring residues. This complex served
138 as the initial coordinates for quantum mechanical calculations for charges.

139 This complex then underwent geometry optimization at the B3LYP-D3/6-
140 311G(d,p)++. Diffuse and polarizable functions were added to the basis set. Default
141 parameters were chosen for Jaguar optimization [11,12]. The initial Hessian for the
142 geometry optimization was calculated from the basis set. Backbones of the three
143 peptide fragments (residues 1159 and 1160, 1209, and 1222) including capping groups
144 were constrained in the X, Y, and Z axis keeping their position fixed. The side chains of
145 residues 1159 and 1160 were also held fixed. Due to the side chains of residues 1209
146 and 1222 chelating the Mg⁺², no constraints were applied to these side chains. Output
147 of the geometry optimization was used as the initial coordinates for single point energy
148 calculations for electrostatic potential charge (ESP) generation utilizing the B3LYP-D3
149 with the 6-311G(d,p)++ basis set [13,14]. This was used in building the simulation
150 system.

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152 *Model System Generation*

153 Using CHARMM-GUI enhanced sampler, we generated input files for the 4 ATP
154 containing MET, the active wild type, H1094Y, F1200I, and R1170Q systems [15,16]. A
155 rectangular water box was fitted to the protein structure. The edge distance was
156 specified as 12.5 angstroms. In addition to neutralizing ions, a KCl concentration of 150
157 mM was used. This accounts for approximately 130 ions in each system. TIP3P was
158 used as the water model for these systems. Parameters for ions were derived from the
159 TIP3P leaprc file and included a 12-6 non-bonded correction. The FF19SB force field
160 was used to parameterize protein residues [17]. Hydrogen mass repartitioning was also

161 used in these simulations to enable a 4-fs time step by redistributing heavy atom mass
162 to the attached hydrogens.

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164 *All-Atom MD Simulations*

165 All molecular dynamics simulations were performed in Amber 22 using reference
166 GeForce RTX 3060 ti or 3080 ti GPUs. The PMEMD.CUDA program in AMBER22 was
167 used to conduct all simulations [17]. The equilibration protocol was consisted of a two-
168 stage minimization protocol with the steepest descent (5,000 steps) and conjugate
169 gradient (5,000 steps) for each model system. A restraint potential of $1.0 \text{ kcal/mol}\cdot\text{\AA}^2$
170 was applied to protein residues during the initial minimization to remove any potential
171 steric clashes from K^+ or Cl^- ions, and water molecules. Equilibrium simulations were
172 carried out after initial minimization calculations. These equilibration simulations were
173 carried out for a total of 0.25 ns using an integration time step of 1 fs. Langevin
174 dynamics was used to control the temperature of the system. Initial velocities were
175 generated for a target temperature of 303.15K. Long-range electrostatics were
176 calculated using the particle mesh Ewald method with a 9.0 angstrom cutoff. The
177 SHAKE algorithm was used to treat the solvent molecules. Production molecular
178 dynamics simulations were carried out for 1000ns with snapshots taken every 0.1 ns.

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180 *Analysis of MD Simulations*

181 All analyses were performed on the last 500ns of the production trajectories.
182 After removal of water and charged ions except for the Mg^{+2} ion, production trajectories
183 were outputted in dcd and netcdf formats for follow-up analysis. The production

184 trajectories additionally had been saved with 1ns interval between each frame. The
185 distance measurements were taken using CPPTRAJ over the last 500 ns of the
186 simulations. RMSF and RMSD values were also calculated using CPPTRAJ [18]. The
187 MMPBSA.py utility in AmberTools was used to calculate the ΔG of binding based on a
188 single trajectory MM/GBSA protocol. The last 500 frames of the reduced trajectories
189 representing snap shots from 500 ns to 1000 ns at an interval of 1ns were used. ATP
190 was used as the ligand in calculations. The Mg+2 ion was treated as part of the
191 receptor. The ante-MMPBSA.py utility was used to generate the initial input files based
192 on the parameterized complex [19]. These calculations were carried out using a
193 modified GB mode} with the reference salt concentration of 0.15 M [20]. Statistical
194 analysis was performed using GraphPad. A Mann–Whitney–Wilcoxon test was used to
195 test interaction distances.

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