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Supplemental Information

Aptamer-Targeted Attenuation of IL-2 Signaling

in CD8⁺ T Cells Enhances Antitumor Immunity

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Figure S1 : <u>Activity of unconjugated and 4-1BB aptamer conjugated siRNAs</u>. siRNA activity was measured in the ΨCHECK[®] assay (Fig. 1a and Methods). **a.** CD25 siRNAs. **b.** Axin siRNAs.



Figure S2. Specificity of 4-1BB aptamer binding to 4-1BB expressing T cells. Splenocytes from C57BL/6 mice were activated using anti-CD3 antibody. After 24 hours, they were mixed 1:1 with naïve splenocytes. Cells were stained with fluorophore labeled anti-CD8, anti-CD44, anti-CD25 and anti-4-1BB antibodies, and with fluorophore labeled 4-1BB aptamers as described in Methods. 4-1BB expression on activated and naive CD8+ T cells was determined by gating on CD44^{high} CD25 ^{high} and CD44^{low}CD25^{low} populations, respectively.



Figure S3 : <u>Serum cytokine levels in mice administered with 4-1BB aptamer-siRNA conjugates</u>, Mice were administered with 20 µg of LPS, 1 or 2 nanomoles of conjugate/injection (1X and 2X, respectively) as described in Methods and serum levels of IL-6 and TNF measured 24 hours later.



Figure S4. Enhancing vaccine-induced tumor immunity in 4T1 tumor bearing mice vaccinated with MHC class II and B7-1 expressing irradiated 4T1 tumor cells and treated with 4-1BB aptamer-targeted siRNA conjugates. A. Comparison of Axin and Raptor siRNAs. Treatment started at day 7 post tumor implantation. B. Comparison of Axin and CD25 siRNA. Treatment started at day 7 post tumor implantation. For details see Methods and legends to Fig. 4.