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Software and code

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Data collection

Flow cytometry data were collected on BD Fortessa instruments with FACSDiva software (BD).
qRT-PCR data were collected with rtqPCR step-one Plus (Applied).

Data analysis

Flow cytometry data were analyzed on FlowJo v10 (TreeStar) and statistical analysis performed on Prism v5 (GraphPad).

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The authors state that all data generated during this study are included in the article and its supplementary information file, and are available from the corresponding author upon reasonable request.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	No sample size calculation was performed. Animal sample size were determined using previous studies and guided by the 3R principle. Human samples sizes were driven by the availability of biopsies.
Data exclusions	No data were excluded from the analysis
Replication	Results were reliably reproduced for each experiment. This included independant replication: all experiments presented in this study were performed using at least 2 biological replicates.
Randomization	- Human material was obtained from random donors and patients after informed written consent. - Mice were randomized after tumour inoculation to obtain homogeneous groups.
Blinding	Blinding was used during measurement of tumours in different treatment groups, and also during the analysis where each mouse was sorted by their numbers and not by the experimental group.

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Materials & experimental systems

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Antibodies

Antibodies used

-> For flow cytometry:

- Human: anti-CD3 (clone UCHT1, Biolegend 300424, 1/200), -CD4 (clone RPA-T4, Biolegend 300517, 1/200), -CD8 α (clone RPA-T8, Biolegend 301023, 1/200), -CD25 (clone CD25-3G10, Invitrogen MHCD2501, 1/100), -FoxP3 (clone 259D, Biolegend 320213, 1/50), -PD-1 (clone J105, eBioscience 25-2799-42, 1/100) and -Nrp-1 (clone 12C2, Biolegend 354504, 1/25) mAb, and -human IgG Fc (clone HP6017, Biolegend 409306, 1/100).

- Mouse: CD3 (clone 17A2, Biolegend 100241, 1/100), CD4 (clone RM4-5, Biolegend 100536, 1/200), CD8 α (clone REA601, Miltenyi 130-109-252, 1/20), CTLA-4 (clone UC10-4B9, Miltenyi 130-102-570, 1/20), PD-1 (clone 29F.1A12, Biolegend 135223, 1/100), Tim-3 (clone RMT3-23, Biolegend 119705, 1/100), LAG-3 (clone C9B7W, Biolegend 125211, 1/100), Nrp-1 (clone 3E12, Biolegend 145209, 1/20), T-bet (clone REA102, Miltenyi 130-119-783, 1/50), NFATc1 (clone 7A6, Biolegend 649603, 1/100), Blimp-1 (clone 5E7, Biolegend 150005, 1/100), Helios (clone 22F6, Biolegend 137210, 1/25), IRF-4 (clone REA201, Miltenyi Biotec 130-100-915, 1/20), FoxP3(clone FJK-16s, Thermo Fischer Scientific 25-5773-82, 1/200), Ki-67 (clone REA183, Miltenyi Biotec 130-120-418, 1/50), Perforin (clone eBioOMAK-D, eBioscience 17-9392-80, 1/50), granzyme B (clone GB11, Biolegend 515403, 1/50), IFN γ (clone XMG1.2, Biolegend 505808, 1/200), and TNF α (clone MP6-XT22, Biolegend 506321, 1/100).

-> For western blot :

anti-mouse Sema-3B mAb (clone 904201, R&D systems MAB5440, 1 μ g/ml), anti-human Sema-3A (clone 215803, R&D systems MAB1250, 1 μ g/ml), anti- β -actin-peroxidase (clone AC-15, Merck A3854, 1/50 000), secondary anti-mouse (Santa cruz Biotechnology sc 2031) or anti-rat (R&D systems HAF005) HRP-conjugated Ab.

-> For functional assay and in vivo experiments (mouse):

Neutralizing anti-Nrp-1 mAb (clone 761704, R&D systems MAB59941, 10 μ g/mL), anti-PD-1 (clone RMP1-14, Bio-X-Cell BE0146, 10 μ g/mL) or isotype control (clone 2A3, Bio-X-Cell BE0089, 10 μ g/ml).

Validation

All commercial antibodies were used in the system under study (assay and species) according to the profile of manufacturer.

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)

-> Human cell line:

NSCLC cell line IGR-Pub was derived from the tumour specimen of patient Pub adenocarcinoma in one of our laboratory. Autologous CTL clone P62 was derived from TIL of the same patient.

The allogeneic NSCLC cell lines IGR-B2, IGR-Heu, ADC-Coco, ADC-Tor and ADC-Let were derived from tumour specimens in one of our laboratories.

16HBE14o- (16HBE) (Merck, SCC150).

-> Mouse cell line:

The B16F10 melanoma cell line (H-2b) and MC-38 colon tumour cell line were purchased from the American Type Culture Collection and Kerfast (ATCC, CRL-6475™ and Kerfast, ENH204-FP, respectively).

Authentication

We regularly authenticate our NSCLC cell lines by testing recognition by autologous CTL clones and HLA-A2 expression when applicable.

Mycoplasma contamination

All the cell lines are mycoplasma-free and were regularly tested for mycoplasma contamination.

Commonly misidentified lines
(See [ICLAC](#) register)

NA

Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals

Female C57BL/6J mice (6 weeks old) were purchased from Envigo.

Wild animals

Study did not involve wild animals

Field-collected samples

Study did not involve samples collected in the field

Ethics oversight

All animals were housed at Gustave Roussy's animal facility and treated in accordance with guidelines established by the institutional animal committee (CEEA n°26: 2015-041-1229 and 2018-056-16280).

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Human research participants

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Population characteristics

- 12 Healthy donor blood samples were collected from the French blood bank (Etablissement français du Sang (EFS); agreement number N°12/EFS/079)

- 11 Patient blood samples were collected from Gustave Roussy. All patients were suffering from advanced and inoperable NSCLC stage IIIB/IV. Immune monitoring in the blood of patients was approved by the Kremlin-Bicêtre Hospital Ethics Committee (n° 110-08; ID RCB: 2008-A01171-54), and Declaration of Helsinki protocols were followed.

- 28 Fresh NSCLC tumours were obtained from the Centre chirurgical Marie Lannelongue and the Institut mutualiste Montsouris.

Recruitment

Human material was obtained from random donors and patients after informed written consent. Healthy donors and NSCLC patients were not selected by age or sex.

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Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation

-> For human experiments :

For freshly isolated TIL, human lung tumours were dissociated mechanically and enzymatically using a tumour dissociation kit (Miltenyi Biotec 130-095-929). Mononuclear cells were then isolated by a Ficoll-Hypaque gradient, and epithelial tumour cells were isolated using a tumour cell isolation kit (Miltenyi 130-108-339).

For PBL, mononuclear cells were then isolated by a Ficoll-Hypaque gradient.

Cell surface and intracellular staining of human cells was performed on single-cell suspensions. Dead cells were excluded using the Live/Dead Fixable Blue Dead Cell Stain Kit (Invitrogen 1866842). For intracellular staining, cells were fixed/permeabilized with the Foxp3 Staining Buffer Set according to the manufacturer's instructions (eBioscience 00-5523-00).

-> For mouse experiments:

Cells were isolated from spleen and draining lymph nodes by crushing on 100 µm cell strainers cell strainer. Cells were run through cell strainer and red blood cells were lysed in Red blood lysis buffer (Miltenyi Biotec 130-094-183) for 5 minutes. The cell suspension was then washed in PBS 2% fetal calf serum (FCS) and passed through a 100µm cell strainer an additional time.

Tumours were harvested at days 8-to-21 and digested for 40 min at 37°C according to Tumour Dissociation Kit protocol (Miltenyi Biotec 130-096-730). Tumours were crushed on 100 µm cell strainers and washed twice with PBS 2% FCS. Single cell suspensions were enriched for CD45+ cells or CD8+ cells using the MultiMACS system (Miltenyi Biotec). Briefly, cells from tumour tissues were labelled with anti-CD45 or anti-CD8a microbeads (Miltenyi Biotec 130-052-301 or 130-117-044 respectively), and then purified using the POSSEL program on MultiMACS. The positive fraction was recovered for TIL analysis by flow cytometry or ex vivo assays.

Cell surface and intracellular staining of mouse cells was performed on single-cell suspensions. Dead cells were excluded using the Live/Dead Fixable Blue Dead Cell Stain Kit (Invitrogen 1866842). For intracellular staining, cells were fixed/permeabilized with the Foxp3 Staining Buffer Set according to the manufacturer's instructions (eBioscience 00-5523-00).

Instrument

BD Fortessa and MultiMACS system (Miltenyi Biotec)

Software

FlowJo v10 (TreeStar)

Cell population abundance

Purity of cell population isolated by FACS or MultiMACS was typically >90%.
CD8 T cells from tumours represent at least >5% of the CD45+ cells isolated (mouse experiment).

Gating strategy

Refer to Supplementary Method.

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