

# **Sequential adjustment of cytotoxic T lymphocyte densities improves efficacy in controlling tumor growth**

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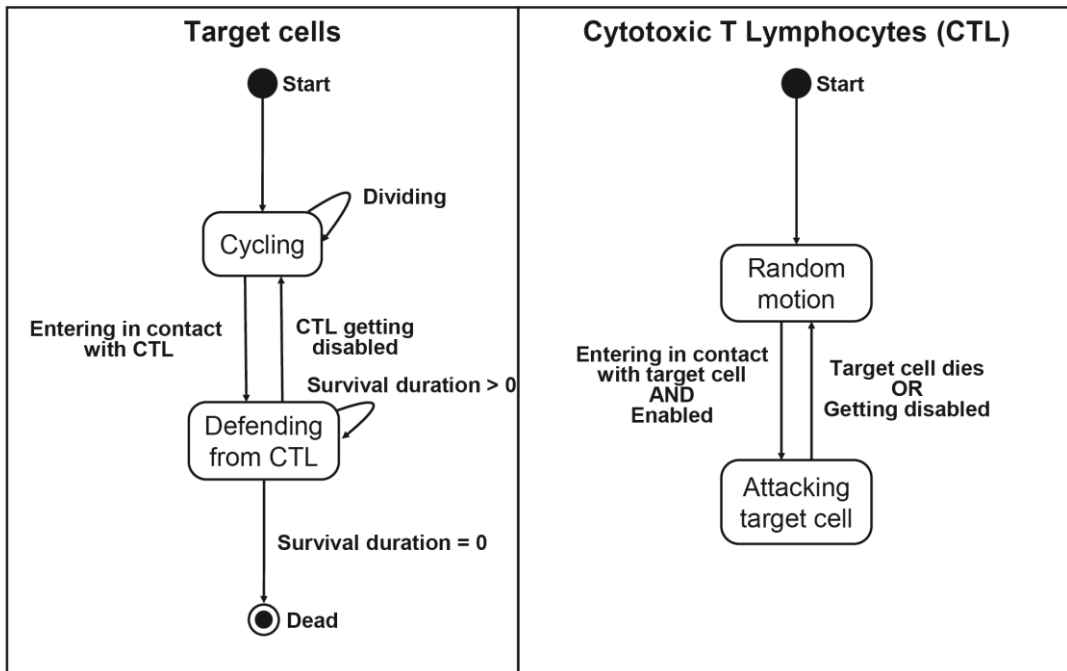
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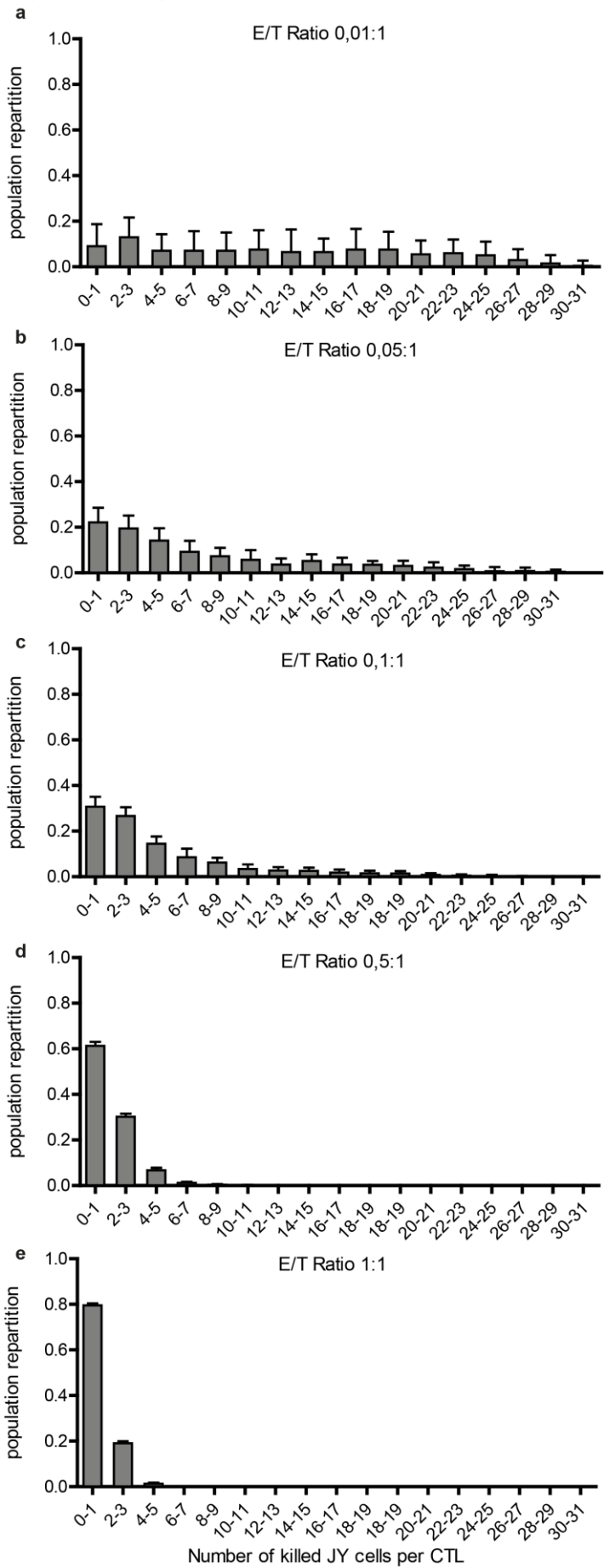
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Supplementary Figure 1



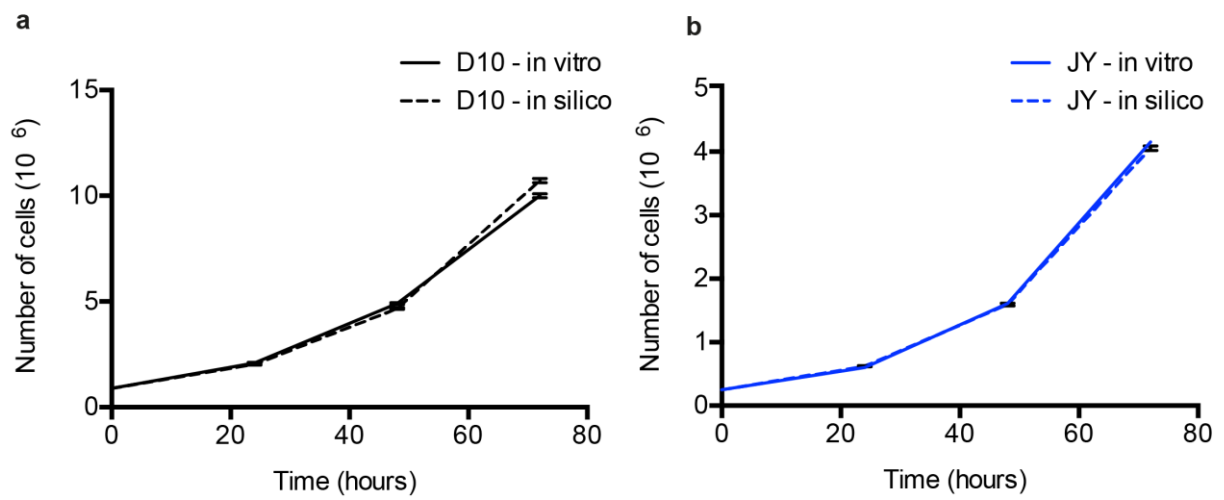
*Supplementary Figure 1:* State-transition diagram of target cells and CTL behaviors. It describes the life cycle of virtual cells during simulations.

Supplementary Figure 2



*Supplementary Figure 2. Computational modeling highlights deficiency of individual CTL killing capacity at high CTL densities.* The panels show the population repartition of CTL killing efficacy at different E/T ratios. The fraction of CTL within the whole population killing a high number of conventional target cells increases with the decrease of the E/T ratio. The E/T ratios simulated in the model are indicated in panels. Results correspond to mean +/- SD of 20 independent runs.

Supplementary Figure 3



Supplementary Figure 3. Experimental and in silico modeled rate of target cell division. Panel (A), melanoma cells; panel (B) conventional target cells.

Supplementary Table1

Parameters used in the model and their values

	Name	Value	Unit	Source
Global	Time step	1.2	Min	Decided
Target cells	Cell cycle duration	MC: 20 CC: 17.75	Hours	Experimentally determined in this study
	Cell cycle duration standard deviation	MC: 1 CC: 1	Hours	Experimentally determined in this study
	G1S phase duration	MC: 14 CC: 13.67	Hours	Experimentally determined in this study
	G2M phase duration	MC: 6 CC: 4.08	Hours	Experimentally determined in this study
	Survival duration	MC: 55 CC: 11	Min	From Christophe et al 2015
	Disabling radius	87.5	$\mu\text{m}$	Parameter fitting on experimental data in this study
CTL	Motion speed	8.66	$\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$	From Christophe et al 2015
	Time between direction switch	1	Hour	From Christophe et al 2015
	Disabling probability	0.00275	None	Parameter fitting on experimental data in this study

Supplementary Table2

Paired statistical comparison of CTL efficacy:  
comparison of sequential CTL addition versus  
initial addition for various CTL numbers

Protocols	Wilcoxon test time	Wilcoxon p-values
2:1+2:1 vs 4:1	168h (7 days)	2.53e-4
4:1+4:1 vs 8:1	264h (11 days)	2.16e-3
4:1+4:1+4:1 vs 12:1	360h (15 days)	8.81e-5
4:1+4:1+4:1+4:1 vs 16:1	360h (15 days)	1.18e-4

**Supplementary movies legends**

*Movie 1.* Example of a simulated interaction at 1:1 E/T ratio

*Movie 2.* Example of a simulated interaction at 10:1 E/T ratio