



Supplementary Information for

**Reversible suppression of T cell function in the bone marrow microenvironment of acute myeloid leukemia.**

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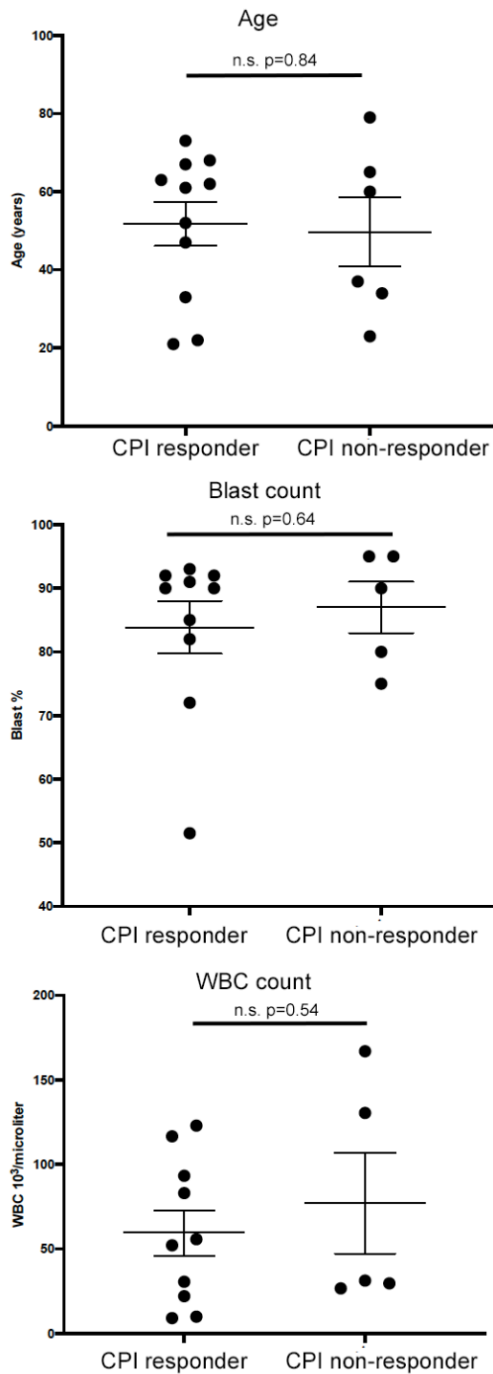
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## Supplemental Materials and Methods

### *Immunophenotyping by time-of-flight mass cytometry (CyTOF)*

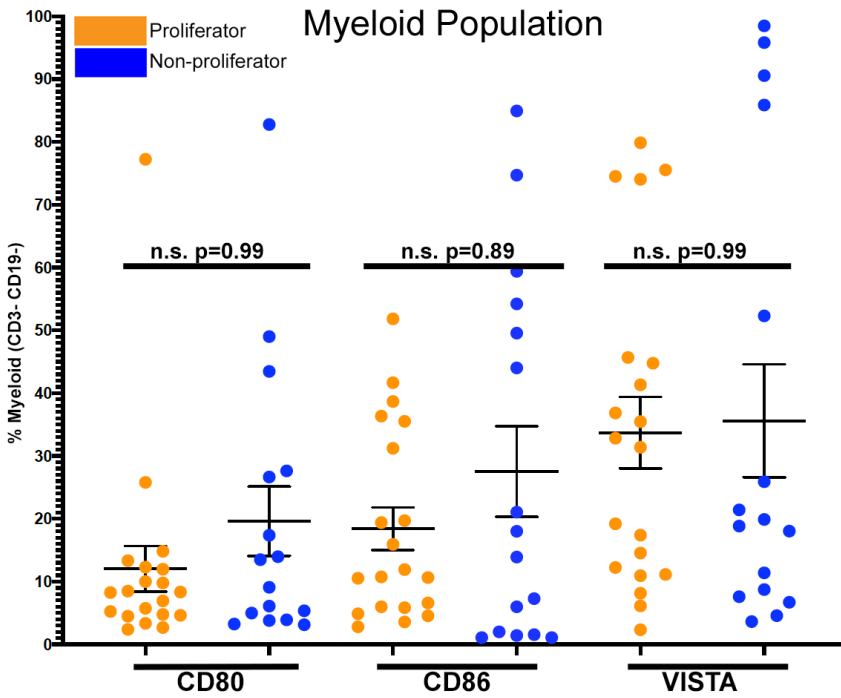
All antibodies and reagents were purchased from Fluidigm unless noted otherwise. Fresh samples were incubated with Cell-ID cisplatin reagent for 5 minutes at 5  $\mu$ M final concentration in PBS. This was followed by quenching with Maxpar Cell Staining Buffer (CSB). Cells were then resuspended in CSB containing Human TruStain FcX (BioLegend) for 10 minutes followed by addition of the mix of metal-conjugated antibodies specific for surface molecules. After 30 minutes, cells were washed, fixed and permeabilized using Maxpar Fix I buffer for 5 minutes followed by washing and resuspending in Maxpar Perm-S buffer following manufacturer's instructions. Cells were then resuspended in Perm-S buffer containing intracellular antibodies for 30 minutes. Staining was followed by washing 3 times with CSB and resuspension in Maxpar Fix & Perm buffer containing Cell-ID Intercalator-Ir iridium solution. Immediately prior to analysis, samples were washed 3 times with CSB followed by 2 washes with Maxpar water. Samples were mixed with EQ four element calibration beads before acquisition on a CyTOF 1 instrument.

**Fig. S1.** Clinical features according to checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) response group (among non-proliferators).



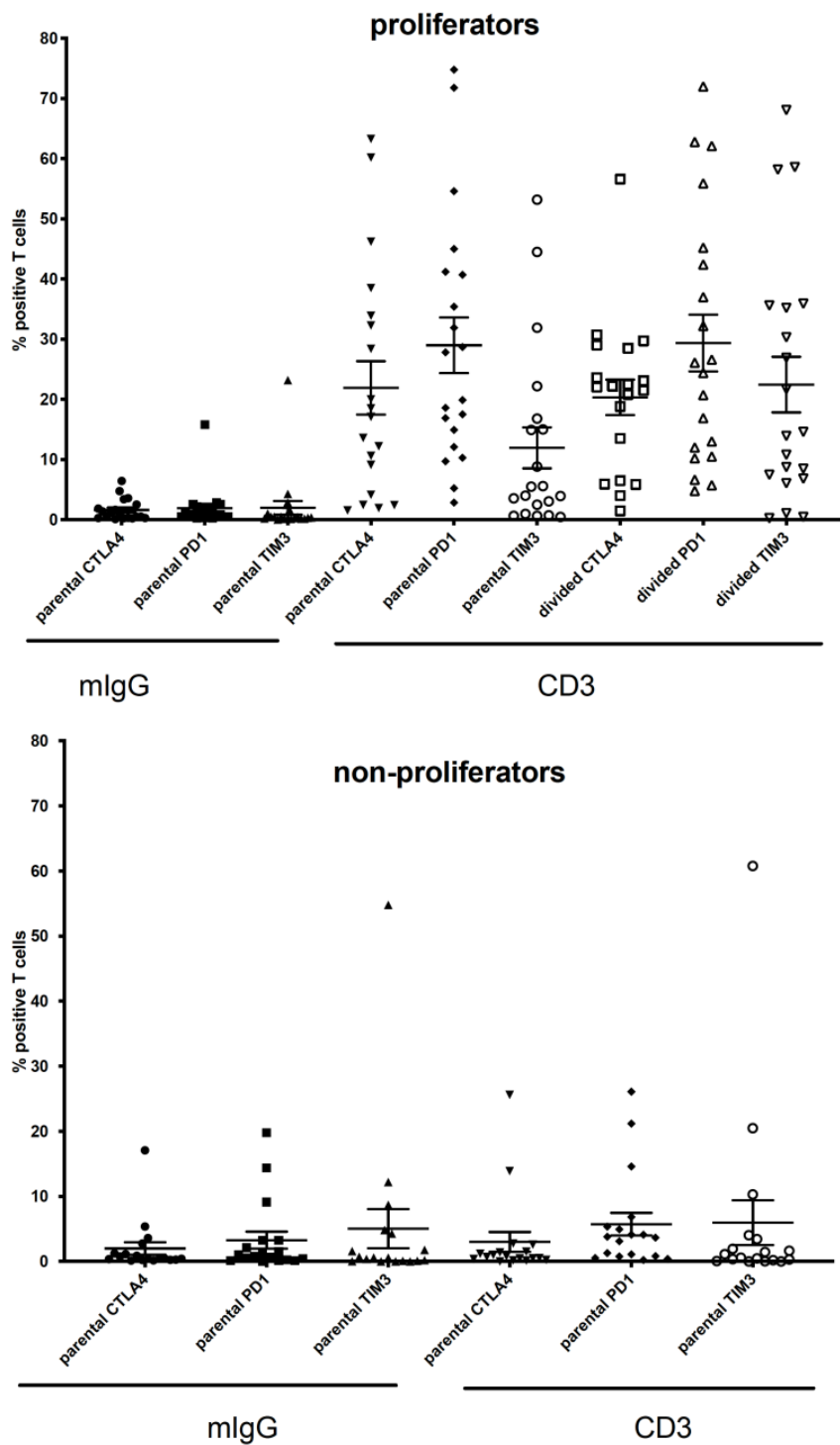
Patient age at sample collection, blast percentage in bone marrow, and white blood cell count in peripheral blood in responders vs. non-responders to CPI. Horizontal bars depict means  $\pm 1$  standard error and p-values were computed from equal-variance Student's t-tests.

**Fig. S2.** Expression of costimulatory molecules on myeloid cells.



Comparison of CD80, CD86 and VISTA expression between proliferator (orange) and non-proliferator (blue) groups displayed as % positive on the myeloid population. Bars represent mean +/- standard error of the mean. Statistics are one-way ANOVA with multiple comparisons using Bonferroni adjustment for multiple testing.

**Fig. S3.** Expression of checkpoint markers (CTLA-4, PD-1 and TIM3) on T cells in proliferation assay.



Cell Trace Violet (CTV) loaded samples were incubated in vitro with agonist anti-CD3 or control (mlgG) for 5 days. T cell-gated populations were analyzed for expression of indicated checkpoint molecule on the CTV high (parental) or cells that had undergone at least one round of division (divided).

**Table S1. AML functional cohort characteristics.**

Patient or sample feature	All patients N = 49	Proliferators n = 20	Non-proliferators n = 18	p-value
AML type	<i>de novo</i> : 44 (89.8%) 2°: 5 (10.2%)	<i>de novo</i> : 18 (90.0%) 2°: 2 (10.0%)	<i>de novo</i> : 17 (94.4%) 2°: 1 (5.6%)	1.0
Age	median: 58 years range: 21 – 81 [1 missing]	median: 54 years range: 41 - 76	median: 60 years range: 21 – 79 [1 missing]	0.385
Gender	female: 28 (57.1%) male: 21 (42.9%)	female: 14 (70.0%) male: 6 (30.0%)	female: 10 (55.6%) male: 8 (44.4%)	0.503
ELN risk group	favorable: 19 (38.8%) intermed: 16 (32.7%) adverse: 9 (18.4%) NA: 5 (10.2%)	favorable: 9 (45.0%) intermed: 8 (40.0%) adverse: 2 (10.0%) NA: 1 (5.0%)	favorable: 8 (44.4%) intermed: 5 (27.8%) adverse: 3 (16.7%) NA: 2 (11.1%)	0.733
WBC (10 <sup>3</sup> / μL) in blood	median: 56.7 range: 9.0 – 166.9 [7 missing]	median: 68.3 range: 24.9 – 137.5 [2 missing]	median: 52.1 range: 9.0 – 166.9 [3 missing]	0.294
Myeloblast % in bone marrow	median: 82.5 range: 18.0 – 97.0 [7 missing]	median: 74.4 range: 18.0 – 97.0 [2 missing]	median: 90.0 range: 51.5 – 95.0 [3 missing]	0.050
Normal karyotype	no: 15 (30.6%) yes: 29 (59.2%) NA: 5 (10.2%)	no: 5 (25.0%) yes: 13 (65.0%) NA: 2 (10.0%)	no: 5 (27.8%) yes: 11 (61.1%) NA: 2 (11.1%)	1.0
FLT3-ITD	no: 35 (71.4%) yes: 13 (26.5%) NA: 1 (2.0%)	no: 13 (65.0%) yes: 7 (35.0%)	no: 14 (77.8%) yes: 3 (16.7%) NA: 1 (5.6%)	0.288
NPM1 mutant	no: 26 (53.1%) yes: 22 (44.9%) NA: 1 (2.0%)	no: 7 (35.0%) yes: 13 (65.0%)	no: 9 (50.0%) yes: 8 (44.4%) NA: 1 (5.6%)	0.331

**Footnotes**

- “Proliferators” are patients whose bone marrow samples had >50% T cell proliferation (defined as the anti-CD3+mIgG proliferation % minus the mIgG+mIgG proliferation %, with proliferation requiring at least one division) whereas “Non-proliferators” are patients whose marrow samples had <5% T cell proliferation.
- p-values are from Fisher’s exact test (for categorical variables) or Kruskal-Wallis test (for continuous variables)
- among the 5 secondary (2°) AML patients, 3 had prior MDS/MPN and 2 had therapy-related AML after breast cancer

Newly diagnosed AML patient demographic, hematologic, and genomic variables of the functional T cell assay cohort (N=49) and in subgroups of T cell proliferators (n=20) and non-proliferators (n=18).

**Table S2.** Percentage of T cells that divided in the functional assay described in Figures 1 and 3.

mIgG+mIgG	CD3+mIgG	CD3+PD1	CD3+CTLA4	CD3+TIM3
<b>Proliferators</b>				
5.2	83.2	85.4	83.0	82.4
5.1	96.0	97.7	96.1	95.4
20.8	91.6	91.7	91.7	88.2
1.5	75.1	96.6	96.3	97.5
23.4	93.8	96.6	97.5	98.1
2.2	94.3	96.0	94.2	94.6
27.0	80.2	90.7	90.8	92.2
0.7	84.5	87.8	n.d.	n.d.
0.7	63.0	89.6	83.4	91.3
1.9	67.6	92.1	89.3	88.1
5.5	71.9	75.2	75.2	81.9
0.4	82.9	84.4	84.3	85.3
1.1	71.4	75.1	72.2	71.9
9.5	92.2	95.1	93.3	93.3
1.0	89.8	93.4	93.9	92.2
3.0	86.5	92.7	90.7	90.2
0.5	72.6	80.1	80.1	80.4
1.0	65.2	85.6	n.d.	80.4
8.8	83.2	89.7	87.9	87.3
0.7	56.2	96.9	98.3	96.9
<b>Non-proliferators</b>				
0.4	0.5	6.0	n.d.	5.1
0.2	0.4	2.6	0.4	0.3
0.2	0.3	22.5	5.5	4.2
0.2	0.4	2.2	0.5	1.2
0.2	3.8	46.9	39.5	48.8
0.3	2.0	15.1	8.2	15.3
0.6	5.1	70.8	58.8	32.6
0.1	1.7	20.1	6.1	7.2
0.7	1.3	6.5	3.5	2.2
1.1	2.2	38.2	39.9	37.2
0.7	0.7	2.3	2.5	15.1
0.3	0.2	1.9	0.8	1.0
23.8	26.6	22.4	27.2	27.0
9.3	9.6	20.1	n.d.	36.7
0.5	1.3	2.8	1.8	0.9
0.4	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.0
0.2	1.9	4.7	3.1	3.0
0.6	2.7	7.1	4.2	4.0
<b>Intermediate Proliferators</b>				
0.9	35.0	61.0	55.3	70.3
0.5	41.2	84.8	82.3	87.4
2.0	8.1	25.4	11.8	17.1
0.5	23.4	37.4	45.9	20.9
0.3	39.8	40.3	39.4	36.8
1.3	49.8	60.5	n.d.	61.1
0.8	31.7	51.8	57.0	58.0
0.6	19.5	30.8	35.6	38.6
2.4	20.9	36.5	27.6	27.7
1.2	30.1	93.9	94.7	93.9
1.5	33.8	78.7	85.1	79.6

%T cell division was assessed by Cell Trace Violet dilution as described in the main text.

- Proliferator: difference in %T cell division between mIg+mIg and CD3+mIg >50% (n=20)
- Non-Proliferator: difference in %T cell division between mIg+mIg and CD3+mIg <5% (n=18)
- Intermediate Proliferator: difference in %T cell division between mIg+mIg and CD3+mIg of 5-49% (n=11)
- Checkpoint responder (blue cells): %T cell division with CPI treatment >5-fold over CD3+mIg (n=12)

**Table S3. AML clinical cohort characteristics.**

Patient feature or outcome	All patients N = 80	“low” T-cell % N = 40	“high” T-cell % N = 40	p-value
AML type	<i>de novo</i> : 76 (95.0%) 2°: 4 (5.0%)	<i>de novo</i> : 38 (95.0%) 2°: 2 (5.0%)	<i>de novo</i> : 38 (95.0%) 2°: 2 (5.0%)	1.0
Age	median: 61 years range: 18 - 83	median: 58.5 years range: 25 - 73	median: 61 years range: 18 - 83	0.769
Gender	female: 37 (46.3%) male: 43 (53.8%)	female: 21 (52.5%) male: 19 (47.5%)	female: 16 (40.0%) male: 24 (60.0%)	0.370
ELN (2017) risk group	favorable: 33 (41.3%) intermed: 20 (25.0%) adverse: 27 (33.8%)	favorable: 13 (32.5%) intermed: 13 (32.5%) adverse: 14 (35.0%)	favorable: 20 (50.0%) intermed: 7 (17.5%) adverse: 13 (32.5%)	0.185
WBC (10 <sup>3</sup> / μL)	median: 15.5 range: 0.5 – 250.0	median: 28.5 range: 0.5 – 250.0	median: 8.0 range: 1.0 – 198.0	0.001
Myeloblast % (of WBC)	median: 56.0 range: 6.7 – 95.6	median: 56.3 range: 14.3 – 95.6	median: 55.5 range: 6.7 – 94.3	0.381
Lymphocyte % (of WBC)	median: 8.4 range: 1.4 – 53.6	median: 5.9 range: 1.4 – 52.6	median: 12.1 range: 2.2 – 53.6	0.006
T-cell % (of lymphocytes)	median: 72.5 range: 41.0 – 90.9	median: 61.0 range: 41.0 – 72.3	median: 79.1 range: 72.7 – 90.9	
T-cell absolute numbers (cells / μL)	median: 1035 range: 57 - 7050	median: 1029 range: 57 - 7050	median: 1046 range: 109 - 3482	
Treatment regimen	7+3: 69 (86.2%) ATRA: 3 (3.8%) HMA: 7 (8.8%) none: 1 (1.2%)	7+3: 34 (85.0%) ATRA: 1 (2.5%) HMA: 4 (10.0%) none: 1 (2.5%)	7+3: 35 (87.5%) ATRA: 2 (5.0%) HMA: 3 (7.5%) none: 0 (0.0%)	1.0
Response to induction therapy	CR/CRi: 59 (73.8%) PR: 0 (0.0%) none: 13 (16.3%) NA: 8 (10.0%)	CR/CRi: 28 (70.0%) PR: 0 (0.0%) none: 7 (17.5%) NA: 5 (12.5%)	CR/CRi: 31 (77.5%) PR: 0 (0.0%) none: 6 (15.0%) NA: 3 (7.5%)	0.764
Bone Marrow Transplant	no: 47 (58.8%) yes: 33 (41.3%)	no: 22 (55.0%) yes: 18 (45.0%)	no: 25 (62.5%) yes: 15 (37.5%)	0.650
Follow-up time from diagnosis	KM median: 48.1 mo Alive at 2 yrs: 52.0%	KM median: 13.6 mo Alive at 2 yrs: 40.0%	KM median: N/A Alive at 2 yrs: 64.3%	0.030
Vital status	Alive: 40 (50.0%) Dead: 40 (50.0%)	Alive: 15 (37.5%) Dead: 25 (62.5%)	Alive: 25 (62.5%) Dead: 15 (37.5%)	

**Footnotes**

- “low” and “high” T-cell percentage groups were created by dichotomizing on the sample median of 72.5%
- p-values are from Fisher’s exact test (for categorical variables), Kruskal-Wallis test (for continuous variables), or log-rank test (for follow-up time until death or last contact)
- among the 4 secondary (2°) AML patients, 2 had prior MDS, 1 had prior CMML (chronic myelomonocytic leukemia), and one had therapy-related AML after breast cancer
- reported cell percentages and absolute numbers are from multicolor flow analysis on bone marrow samples taken at the time of AML diagnosis
- For treatment regimen groups: (i) “7+3” includes similar regimens involving cytarabine and an anthracycline for numbers of days that differ from 7 and 3, respectively; (ii) the APL patients administered all-trans retinoic acid (ATRA) also received cytarabine and/or an anthracycline and thus have response to induction data; (iii) all patients in the hypomethylating agent (HMA) group received decitabine, with one patient also receiving azacitidine; and (iv) the lone untreated patient died 1 day after AML diagnosis
- response to induction was evaluated over 2 months for patients who received an initial course of standard induction therapy (i.e., 7+3 or similar) or ATRA-based therapy
- ‘KM’ refers to Kaplan-Meier estimation of survival (i.e., time to death or last contact)

Newly diagnosed AML patient demographic, bone marrow sample, and outcome variables of the clinical cohort (N=80) of patients with samples analyzed by flow cytometry, included to evaluate the relationship between marrow T cell percentage at diagnosis and overall survival



**Table S4.** Mass Cytometry staining panels.

Panel 1		
Antigen	Clone	Metal Tag
CD45	HI30	141Pr
CD19	HIB19	142Nd
CD127(IL-7R)	A019D5	143Nd
CD38	HIT2	144Nd
CD4	RPA-T4	145Nd
CD8	RPA-T8	146Nd
CD11c	Bu 15	147Sm
CD16(FcgRIII)	3G8	148Nd
CD25(IL-2R)	2A3	149Sm
CD223(LAG3)	874501	150Nd
CD278 (ICOS)	C398.4A	151Eu
CD66b	80H3	152Sm
CD45RA	HI100	153Eu
TIM-3	F38-2E2	154Sm
CD27	L128	155Gd
CD14	HCD14	156Gd
CD134 (OX40)	ACT35	158Gd
GITR	621	159Tb
CD28	CD28.2	160Gd
CD152(CTLA-4)	14D3	161Dy
FoxP3	259D/C7	162Dy
CD272(BTLA)	MIH26	163Dy
CD185(CXCR5)	51505	164Dy
CD40	5C3	165Ho
CD44	BJ18	166Er
CD197 (CCR7)	G043H7	167Er
Ki-67	Ki-67	168Er
CD33	WM53	169Tm
CD3	UCHT1	170Er
CD20	2H7	171Yb
VISTA	Janssen	172Yb
HLA-DR	L243	173Yb
TIGIT	MBSA43	174Yb
CD279(PD-1)	EH12.2H7	175Lu
CD56	R19-760	176Yb

Panel 2		
Antigen	Clone	Metal Tag
CD45	HI30	141Pr
CD19	HIB19	142Nd
CD117(ckit)	104D2	143Nd
CD38	HIT2	144Nd
CD4	RPA-T4	145Nd
CD8	RPA-T8	146Nd
CD11c	Bu 15	147Sm
CD16(FcgRIII)	3G8	148Nd
CD34	581	149Sm
CD86	IT2.2	150Nd
CD123(IL-3R)	6H6	151Eu
CD66b	80H3	152Sm
TIM-3	F38-2E2	153Eu
CD163	GHI/61	154Sm
VISTA	Janssen	155Gd
CD14	HCD14	156Gd
FLT3	BV10A4H2	158Gd
CD115	9-4D2-1E4	159Tb
CD13	WM15	160Gd
CD80	2D10.4	162Dy
TGFb	TW4-6H10	163Dy
Arginase (i)	14D2C43	164Dy
Notch2 (i)	MHN2-25	165Ho
IL-10 (i)	JES3-9D7	166Er
CD11b	ICRF44	167Er
pStat6 (i)	18	168Er
CD33	WM53	169Tm
CD3	UCHT1	170Er
CD20	2H7	171Yb
CD15	W6D3	172Yb
HLA-DR	L243	173Yb
IL-1rap		174Yb
CD274(PDL1)	29E.2A3	175Lu
CD56	R19-760	176Yb

Antibody specificity (antigen), clone and corresponding metal tags used in the CyTOF-based immunophenotyping.