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Supplemental Information

Oncolytic vaccinia virus induces a novel

phenotype of CD8⁺ effector T cells

characterized by high ICOS expression

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(A) Culture supernatants of A549 cells infected with recombinant viruses at a multiplicity of infection (MOI) = 1.0 were collected and used to stimulate murine splenocytes for three days. Luminescence measured using the CellTiter-Glo Assay which is proportional to the number of splenocytes. Data are mean \pm SEM. RLU, relative luminescence unit. (B) Secretion of murine IFN- γ from splenocytes as in (A). N.D., not detected. ***P < 0.001 by Dunnet's multiple comparisons test. N.S., not significant.

Supplementary Figure S2. Depletion of CD8⁺ T cells suppresses antitumor efficacy of hIL-7/mIL-12-VV.



CT26.WT tumors were intratumorally treated with Cont-VV or hIL-7/mIL-12-VV with or without depletion of CD8⁺ T cells or CD4⁺ T cells. Tumor growth is shown. n = 6 per group. Mean \pm SEM is shown.

Supplementary Figure S3. Intratumoral treatment with hIL-7/mIL-12-VV, but not Cont-VV, induces PD-L1 expression in CT26.WT tumors.



CT26.WT-bearing mice were intratumorally treated with Cont-VV or hIL-7/mIL-12-VV. Seven days after treatment, tumors were collected, and expression of PD-L1 in CT26.WT cells were assessed by flow cytometry (n = 6). Mean \pm SEM is shown. **P < 0.01 by Mann-Whitney U test. N.S., not significant.

Supplementary Figure S4. Representative plots of PD-1, GITR, TIGIT and Tim-3 expression in intratumoral CD8⁺ T cells.



Mice bearing CT26.WT tumors were intratumorally treated with PBS, 2×10^7 pfu of Cont-VV or 2 $\times 10^7$ pfu of hIL-7/mIL-12-VV. Six days after treatment, tumor-infiltrating CD8⁺ T cells were analyzed by flow cytometry as described in Fig. 2.

Supplementary Figure S5. ICOS⁺PD-1⁻CD8⁺ T cells induced by hIL-7/mIL-12-VV show granzyme B expression.



(A-F) CT26.WT-bearing BALB/c mice were intratumorally treated with hIL-7/mIL-12-VV as described in Fig. 2, and tumors were collected six (A-C) or fifteen (D-F) days after treatment (n = 1)

10 per group). (A and D) Representative plots of granzyme B and ICOS expression in intratumoral PD-1⁻CD8⁺ T cells. (B and E) Expression of granzyme B in intratumoral ICOS⁻PD-1⁻CD8⁺ T cells, ICOS⁺PD-1⁻CD8⁺ T cells and ICOS⁺PD-1⁺CD8⁺ T cells. (C and F) Expression of granzyme B in gp70-tetramer⁺ tumor antigen-specific CD8⁺ T cells. (G and H) LLC tumors treated with Cont-VV were collected six days after treatment, and tumor-infiltrating CD8⁺ T cells were analyzed (n = 10). (G) Representative plots of granzyme B and ICOS expression in intratumoral PD-1⁻CD8⁺ T cells. (H) Expression of granzyme B in each indicated subset. Mean \pm SEM is shown. ****P* < 0.001 by Mann-Whitney *U* test. N.S., not significant.