

Supplementary Table 1. Immune cells densities

	Timepoint	n	mean	median	min	max	IQR	p value (SCR vs D15)
CD3	ALL	114	1498	1169	33	7278	1650	
	SCR	65	1379	832	33	5579	1795	
	W2	49	1655	1462	140	7278	1453	0.14
CD8	ALL	114	733	487	18	4653	763	
	SCR	65	638	364	18	2975	841	
	W2	49	859	668	24	4653	526	0.04
CD4	ALL	114	629	500	12	2488	719	
	SCR	65	608	445	12	2402	684	
	W2	49	658	534	48	2488	684	0.25
Foxp3	ALL	114	161	108	0	1460	190	
	SCR	65	133	83	0	844	141	
	W2	49	198	166	6	1460	219	0.05

Supplementary Table 2. Proportion of proliferating T cells by location (ALL dataset)

CD3+Ki67+							
LOCATION	n	mean	median	min	max	IQR	pvalue
A	111	11.9	9.72	0	60.4	12.7	
B	110	7.74	6.30	0	33.6	6.99	
C	110	4.50	3.48	0	18.3	4.04	<0.0001
CD4+Ki67+							
A	111	12.7	11.0	0	60.3	13.2	
B	110	8.63	7.43	0	33.4	7.48	
C	110	6.18	5.39	0	21.0	5.57	<0.0001
CD8+Ki67+							
A	111	11.9	8.74	0	60.7	13.0	
B	110	7.85	5.68	0	35.3	7.59	
C	110	5.57	4.29	0	34.5	5.17	<0.0001
Foxp3+Ki67+							
A	109	18.3	15.9	0	85.7	18.2	
B	110	13.7	13.3	0	50	13.7	
C	110	10.5	9.28	0	100	9.85	<0.0001

Supplementary Table 3. Differences of immune cells by HR status across locations

CD3						
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	Wilcoxon
A	HR-	3324.	1665.	19.4	20234.	2686.
	HR+	1833.	1235.	48.6	17819.	1779.
						0.2
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
B	HR-	3285.	2949.	68.8	13498.	3199.
	HR+	1829.	1261.	38.2	11628.	2143.
						0.005
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
C	HR-	1933.	1760.	0	6748.	2004.
	HR+	1256.	884.	40.7	4945.	1099.
						0.012
CD4						
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
A	HR-	1108.	722.	3.95	6095.	1309.
	HR+	711.	413.	19.1	4182.	861.
						0.3
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
B	HR-	1205.	890.	31.2	4017.	1632.
	HR+	766.	530.	8.97	3503.	794.
						0.012
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
C	HR-	791.	711.	0	2524.	876.
	HR+	551.	424.	18.8	2037.	574.
						0.038
CD8						
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
A	HR-	1938.	668.	11.9	15641.	1863.
	HR+	929.	585.	15.2	12010.	777.
						0.19
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
B	HR-	1782.	1150.	32.6	10111.	1875.
	HR+	847.	562.	22.7	6744.	865.
						0.004
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
C	HR-	911.	663.	0	4153.	1146.
	HR+	540.	366.	16.3	2863.	455.
						0.011
Foxp3						
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
A	HR-	348.	161.	0.359	2756.	373.
	HR+	191.	90.1	0	1743.	137.
						0.085
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
B	HR-	380.	292.	4.13	2521.	422.
	HR+	194.	97.7	0.406	1819.	206.
						0.00036
HR status	mean	median	min	max	IQR	
C	HR-	225.	216.	0	1412.	238.
	HR+	122.	70.0	0.646	999.	123.
						0.0013

Supplementary Table 4. Proportion of proliferating T cells by HR status

	SUBTYPE	n	mean	median	min	max	IQR	p value
CD4	HR-	61	9.80	8.74	0.530	41.4	8.38	
	HR+	53	6.21	5.35	0	21.7	5.74	0.0088
CD8	HR-	61	9.55	6.93	0.410	50.5	9.52	
	HR+	53	5.43	4.02	0	22.6	6.15	0.011
Foxp3	HR-	61	13.6	13.5	1.03	46.3	11.6	
	HR+	53	13.2	12.1	0	75	12.8	0.71
CD3	HR-	61	9.39	7.77	0.472	43.6	8.20	
	HR+	53	5.58	4.57	0	22.4	5.15	0.0065
Foxp3/CD8	HR-	61	1.90	1.33	0.644	6.43	1.46	
	HR+	51	3.67	2.29	0	19.6	2.37	0.0039

Supplementary Table 5. Immune cells proliferation by timepoint

	TIMEPOINT	n	mean	median	min	max	IQR
CD4+Ki67+	SCR	65	10.0	8.81	0	40.2	10.3
	W2	49	5.62	3.67	0.651	41.4	4.23
CD8+Ki67+	SCR	65	9.30	7.60	0	50.5	8.53
	W2	49	5.42	3.03	0.348	44.7	3.85
Foxp3+Ki67+	SCR	65	16.4	15.0	0	75	9.54
	W2	49	9.34	7.48	0.796	46.3	10.0
CD3+Ki67+	SCR	65	9.28	7.90	0	43.6	9.47
	W2	49	5.43	3.16	0.685	42.5	4.57

Supplementary Table 6. Changes in densities of immune cell subpopulations between Day 15 and baseline according to baseline PAM50 intrinsic subtype and hormone receptor (HR) status

Immune Cell Population	Day 15: Median (IQR)	Baseline: Median (IQR)	N (pairs)	mean difference	95% CI	p-value
Overall (N=39)						
CD3+	1312 (721-2203)	781 (493-2061)	39	496	-13 - + 1004	0.135
CD8+	669 (352-884)	350 (135-798)	39	372	67 - 678	0.026
CD4+	532 (282-1014)	354 (202-664)	39	129	-71 - 329	0.171
Foxp3+	166 (45-374)	80 (29-156)	39	101	37 - + 166	0.002
%Ki67+CD3+	3 (2-7)	8 (4-11)	39	-3.7	-5.4 - -2.0	<0.001
%Ki67+CD8+	3 (2-6)	7 (4-11)	39	-3.7	-5.7 - -1.8	<0.001
%Ki67+CD4+	3 (2-7)	9 (4-14)	39	-4.3	-5.9 - -2.6	<0.001
%Ki67+Foxp3+	8 (3-14)	15 (10-19)	39	-6.0	-8.8 - -3.2	<0.001
HR-positive (N=17)						
CD3+	749 (433-925)	781 (569-1372)	17	-102	-560 - 355	0.517
CD8+	367 (156-566)	350 (115-786)	17	31	-201 - + 263	0.795
CD4+	295 (213-527)	352 (213-720)	17	-108	-316 - 100	0.225
Foxp3+	48 (29-117)	43 (28-110)	17	26	-22 - + 74	0.218
%Ki67+CD3+	3 (1-4)	5 (3-8)	17	-3.3	-5.6 - -1.0	0.003
%Ki67+CD8+	3 (1-4)	4 (3-8)	17	-3.3	-6.2 - -0.4	0.035
%Ki67+CD4+	3 (2-5)	7 (3-9)	17	-3.3	-5.6 - -0.9	0.009
%Ki67+Foxp3+	7 (4-12)	15 (9-18)	17	-6.4	-11.3 - -1.4	0.022
HR-negative (N=22)						
CD3+	1892 (1358-2397)	799 (466-2130)	22	958	148 - 1768	0.033
CD8+	779 (668-1281)	333 (146-926)	22	636	133 - 1139	0.010
CD4+	839 (489-1160)	382 (198-559)	22	312	3 - 621	0.023
Foxp3+	250 (159-305)	108 (48-187)	22	159	54 - 265	0.003
%Ki67+CD3+	6 (3-8)	10 (8-16)	22	-4.0	-6.6 - -1.5	0.004
%Ki67+CD8+	5 (2-8)	9 (6-15)	22	-4.1	-6.9 - -1.3	0.002
%Ki67+CD4+	6 (2-10)	10 (8-16)	22	-5	-7.4 - -2.6	<0.001
%Ki67+Foxp3+	9 (2-14)	15 (10-20)	22	-5.7	-9.2 - -2.1	0.004
Non HER2-Enriched (N=12)						
CD3+	624 (431-903)	807 (580-1196)	12	-134	-716 - 448	0.339
CD8+	332 (191-445)	328 (106-683)	12	-44	-346 - + 258	0.791
CD4+	250 (150-348)	381 (331-508)	12	-47	-296 - 202	0.339
Foxp3+	42 (20-64)	40 (24-90)	12	12	-27 - 51	0.583
%Ki67+CD3+	3 (2-3)	5 (3-7)	12	-2.1	-3.7 - -0.4	0.024
%Ki67+CD8+	2 (1-4)	4 (3-7)	12	-2.2	-4.3 - +0.1	0.051
%Ki67+CD4+	3 (2-5)	6 (2-9)	12	-1.9	-4.3 - + 0.5	0.298
%Ki67+Foxp3+	11 (4-15)	15 (12-21)	12	-5.5	-12.0 - + 1.0	0.182
HER2-Enriched (N=27)						
CD3+	1780 (1210-2412)	768 (392-2226)	27	776	93- + 1458	0.041
CD8+	777 (578-1318)	360 (158-872)	27	557	144 - 670	0.004
CD4+	713 (452-1142)	354 (190-911)	27	207	-65 - 479	0.055
Foxp3+	223 (142-304)	88 (41-183)	27	141	52- + 230	0.002
%Ki67+CD3+	5 (2-8)	8 (5-15)	27	-4.4	-6.8 - 2.1	<0.001
%Ki67+CD8+	4 (2-8)	8 (6-14)	27	-4.4	-7.2 - -1.7	0.001
%Ki67+CD4+	5 (2-8)	9 (7-16)	27	-5.3	-7.4 - -3.2	<0.001
%Ki67+Foxp3+	6 (3-12)	15 (9-19)	27	-6.2	-9.4 - 3.0	<0.001

Supplementary Table 7. Changes in TILs between Day 15 and baseline according HR status, PAM50 subtype and achievement of pCR

	N (pairs)	mean difference	95% CI lower limit	95% CI upper limit	p-value
HR-positive	70	2.1%	-0.7%	4.8%	0.199
<i>HR-positive and pCR</i>	11	9.8%	-2.9%	22.5%	0.141
<i>HR-positive and RD</i>	59	0.6%	-1.7%	3.0%	0.570
HR-negative	61	12.5%	5.5%	19.6%	<0.001
<i>HR-negative and pCR</i>	23	21.0%	6.0%	36.1%	0.014
<i>HR-negative and RD</i>	38	7.3%	0.5%	14.2%	0.029
HER2-enriched	85	8.8%	3.5%	14.0%	0.001
<i>HER2-enriched and pCR</i>	30	15.8%	4.1%	27.5%	0.013
<i>HER2-enriched and RD</i>	55	4.9%	0.1%	10.0%	0.038
Non-HER2-enriched	46	3.5%	-0.3%	7.4%	0.120
<i>Non-HER2-enriched and pCR</i>	4	29.5%	-10.8%	69.8%	0.181
<i>Non-HER2-enriched and RD</i>	42	1.1%	-1.4%	3.5%	0.488

Supplementary Table 8. Distribution of tumors according to TILs at baseline, day 15 and surgery in patients not achieving pCR (N=105 patients)

Category according to TIL levels	Baseline	Day 15	Surgery
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
<i>TILs <5%</i>	13 (12.5%)	6 (6.1%)	10 (10.3%)
<i>TILs 5-9%</i>	39 (37.5%)	28 (28.6%)	37 (38.1%)
<i>TILs 10-19%</i>	24 (23.1%)	25 (25.5%)	22 (22.7%)
<i>TILs 20-39%</i>	17 (16.3%)	25 (25.5%)	16 (16.5%)
<i>TILs ≥40%</i>	11 (10.6%)	14 (14.3%)	12 (12.4%)
<i>Not evaluable</i>	N=1	N=7	N=8

Percentages calculated on the total number of evaluable samples

Supplementary Table 9. Distribution of tumors according to TILs at baseline, day 15 and surgery in patients achieving pCR (N=46 patients)

Category according to TIL levels	Baseline	Day 15	Surgery
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
<i>TILs <5%</i>	6 (13.6%)	2 (5.5%)	13(32.5%)
<i>TILs 5-9%</i>	12 (27.3%)	5 (13.9%)	13 (32.5%)
<i>TILs 10-19%</i>	5 (11.4%)	4 (11.1%)	6 (15.0%)
<i>TILs 20-39%</i>	12 (27.3%)	7 (19.4%)	2 (5.0%)
<i>TILs ≥40%</i>	9 (20.5%)	18 (50.0%)	6 (15.0%)
<i>Not evaluable</i>	N=2	N=10	N=6

Percentages calculated on the total number of evaluable samples

Supplementary Table 10. Changes in TILs between surgery and Day 15 according to HR status, PAM50 subtype and achievement of pathological complete response (pCR) versus residual disease (RD)

	N (pairs)	mean difference	95% CI	p-value
HR-positive				
<i>HR-positive and pCR</i>	11	-11.8%	-22.4 to -1.3	0.036
<i>HR-positive and RD</i>	56	+1.2%	-2.8 to +5.1	0.736
HR-negative				
<i>HR-negative and pCR</i>	22	-26.3%	-43.5 to -9.2	0.011
<i>HR-negative and RD</i>	35	-4.1%	-9.9 to +1.7	0.196
HER2-enriched				
<i>HER2-enriched and pCR</i>	29	-19.5%	-32.7 to -6.3	0.008
<i>HER2-enriched and RD</i>	50	+3.2%	-8.2 to +1.8	0.165
Non-HER2-enriched				
<i>Non-HER2-enriched and pCR</i>	4	-36.0%	-62.2 to -9.8	0.022
<i>Non-HER2-enriched and RD</i>	41	+2.0%	-2.0 to +5.9	0.353

Supplementary Table 11. Proportion of patients with different tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes (TILs) dynamics across the three different timepoints assessed in the PAMELA trial (N=122 patients with TILs data from all three timepoints)

From Baseline to Day 15			From Day 15 to Surgery		
	N	%		N	%
Increasing TILs	51	41.8	Increasing TILs	4	7.8
			Unchanged TILs	15	29.4
			Decreasing TILs	32	62.7
Unchanged TILs	46	37.7	Increasing TILs	16	34.8
			Unchanged TILs	16	34.8
			Decreasing TILs	14	30.4
Decreasing TILs	25	20.5	Increasing TILs	6	24
			Unchanged TILs	13	52
			Decreasing TILs	6	24

Supplementary Table 12. Changes in TILs between surgery and baseline in patients achieving pCR and not achieving pCR according to HR status and PAM50 subtype

	N (pairs)	mean difference	95% CI - lower limit	95% CI - upper limit	p-value
Patients achieving pCR	39	-8.3%	-16.0%	-0.6%	0.02
HR-status					
<i>HR-positive</i>	14	-1.6%	10.1%	-13.2%	0.456
<i>HR-negative</i>	25	-12.1%	-22.5%	1.7%	0.023
PAM50 subtype					
<i>HER2-enriched</i>	35	-8.5%	-17.1%	0.1%	0.035
<i>Non-HER2-enriched</i>	4	-6.5%	-22.3%	9.3%	0.414
Patients with residual disease	96	2.3%	-1.2%	5.8%	0.069
HR-status					
<i>HR-positive</i>	60	2.1%	-1.6%	5.7%	0.286
<i>HR-negative</i>	36	2.6%	-4.7%	10.0%	0.107
PAM50 subtype					
<i>HER2-enriched</i>	54	1.3%	-4.4%	7.0%	0.404
<i>Non-HER2-enriched</i>	42	3.6%	0.1%	7.0%	0.059

Supplementary Table 13. Complete lists of genes evaluated using the nCounter platform (plus five housekeeping genes: ACTB, MRPL19, PSMC4, RPLP0, SF3A1)

A1CF
AARS
ABAT
ABCB1
ABCC3
ABCC8
ACOT4
ACTL8
ACTR3B
ADM
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AGR2
AGR3
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AKT1
AKT3
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ANLN
ANXA1
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ARAF
AREG
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ATM
ATR
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AVEN
AVL9
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AZGP1
BAG1
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BIRC5
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BLVRA
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BOP1
BRAF

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MAP7D3
MAPT
MCM2
MCM3
MDM2
ME1
MED21
MELK
MET
MIA
MIEN1
MKi67
MKRN2
MLKL
MLPH
MME
MMP11
MPP1
MRPS17
MRPS35
MS4A1
MSH2
MTHFD1L
MTOR
MUC1
MUC5B
MYB
MYBL2
MYC
MYO5C
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NDRG1
NDUFAF4
NEK2

NEO1
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NFKBIB
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NOP56
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SAPS1

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Supplementary Table 14. Genes up-regulated in association with TIL levels at quantitative SAM analysis (all timepoint combined, samples N=413) with False Discovery Rate <1%

Gene ID	Score(d)	q-value(%)
MS4A1	8.903867	0
CD19	8.57364	0
LAG3	8.441398	0
CD3G	8.390272	0
CD8A	8.129773	0
PDCD1	7.589843	0
TAP1	6.742996	0
CD274	6.401272	0
IDO1	5.978856	0
STAT1	5.965263	0
IL6R	5.559205	0
CD4	5.446276	0
CD86	5.243833	0
MLKL	5.084844	0
EPSTI1	4.915366	0
IKBKE	4.900681	0
CHST11	4.742928	0
CD84	4.517602	0
NFKBIE	4.434747	0
BCL2A1	4.370058	0
TYMP	4.32247	0
EVI2A	4.302834	0
RELB	3.945947	0
TUBA4A	3.797016	0
CD68	3.674341	0
FLVCR2	3.513351	0
CDC25B	3.394281	0
CFLAR	3.336673	0
MPP1	3.166783	0
EMP3	3.165354	0
PTGER4	3.153685	0
SAPS1	2.744665	0
BLM	2.677925	0
CD44	2.631944	0
BTG2	2.51612	0.205387
ABCB1	2.319839	0.861731

Supplementary Table 15. Genes up-regulated in association with TIL levels at quantitative SAM analysis at baseline (samples N=148) with False Discovery Rate <1%

Gene ID	Score(d)	q-value(%)
CD8A	6.22832	0
CD3G	5.957181	0
LAG3	5.692738	0
MS4A1	5.661252	0
CD19	5.569917	0
PDCD1	5.569657	0
IDO1	5.547896	0
CD274	5.272603	0
STAT1	5.11594	0
TAP1	5.085964	0
EPSTI1	4.766666	0
IL6R	4.496497	0
NFKBIE	4.293866	0
MLKL	4.10485	0
BCL2A1	4.093467	0
CD4	4.058705	0
CFLAR	3.942835	0
RELB	3.631598	0
CHST11	3.566292	0
EVI2A	3.551481	0
CD86	3.326293	0
IKBKE	3.058797	0
CD84	2.997707	0
EMP3	2.97741	0
CCND2	2.928956	0
PLA1A	2.916057	0
TUBA4A	2.785798	0
TYMP	2.758991	0
PTGER4	2.746747	0
ABCB1	2.698752	0
BTG2	2.426338	0.675158
CDC25B	2.419813	0.675158

Supplementary Table 16. Genes up-regulated in association with TIL levels at quantitative SAM analysis at Day 15 (samples N=133) with False Discovery Rate <1%

Gene ID	Score(d)	q-value(%)
MS4A1	4.9853006	0
PDCD1	4.667656	0
CD19	4.6125682	0
CD8A	4.4783514	0
LAG3	4.4566158	0
CD3G	4.4164114	0
CD274	3.2353967	0
IL6R	3.1299524	0
TAP1	2.9735575	0
STAT1	2.8611134	0
CD4	2.8579478	0
EPSTI1	2.769441	0
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CD86	2.6210126	0
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IDO1	2.5656666	0
IKBKE	2.3961171	0
MLKL	2.3618481	0
EVI2A	2.3408257	0
TUBA4A	2.2860373	0
CD84	2.263514	0
FLVCR2	2.2223425	0
CD68	2.1331608	0.241761
BTG2	2.0955087	0.241761
NFKBIE	2.0763461	0.241761
BLM	2.0478201	0.449391
CDC25B	1.9141768	0.834933
TYMP	1.8918392	0.834933
MPP1	1.8752434	0.834933

Supplementary Table 17. Genes up-regulated in association with TIL levels at quantitative SAM analysis at Surgery (samples N=132) with False Discovery Rate <1%

Gene ID	Score(d)	q-value(%)
MS4A1	3.959441	0
CD19	3.555171	0
CD8A	2.69107	0
CD3G	2.428863	0
LAG3	2.422838	0
TAP1	2.400816	0
TYMP	2.334461	0
HMGA1	2.270879	0
BLM	2.169032	0
PRAME	2.01589	0
IDO1	2.012051	0
MKi67	1.948502	0
CEP55	1.890432	0
FOXM1	1.825431	0
PDCD1	1.783179	0
CDC6	1.773788	0
CCNA2	1.741049	0
KRT8	1.738559	0
IKBKE	1.726431	0
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TOP2A	1.713789	0

Supplementary Table 18. NGI antibodies and protocols

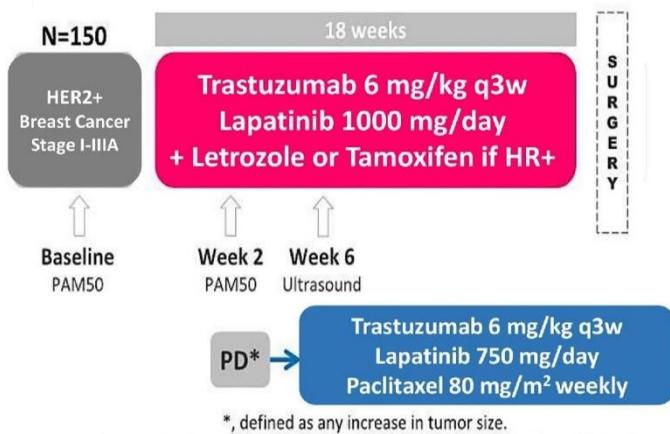
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FOXP3	ABCCAM	AB99963	CC1 92° 95°	1h RT	1/100	HRP RB 20'	AECPLUS. 150UL
CD4 (SP35)	ROCHE	790-4423	CC2 8° 100° CC1 95° 56°	52° 36°	RTU	HRP RB 16'	AECPLUS. 200UL
KI67 (MIB-1)	DAKO	M7240	CC2 8° 100° CC1 72° 95°	1h 32° RT	1/100	HRP MS 20'	AECPLUS. 150UL
CD8 (SP57)	ROCHE	790-4460	CC2 8° 100°	28° 36°	RTU	HRP RB 8'	AECPLUS. 200UL
CD3 (2GV6)	ROCHE	790-4341	CC2 8° 100° CC1 40° 95°	40° 36°	RTU	HRP RB 8'	AECPLUS. 200UL
AE1/AE3/PCK26	ROCHE	760-2595	CC2 8° 100° CC1 40° 95°	24° 36°	RTU	HRP MS 8'	AECPLUS. 200UL

Supplementary Table 19. T-cell APP details

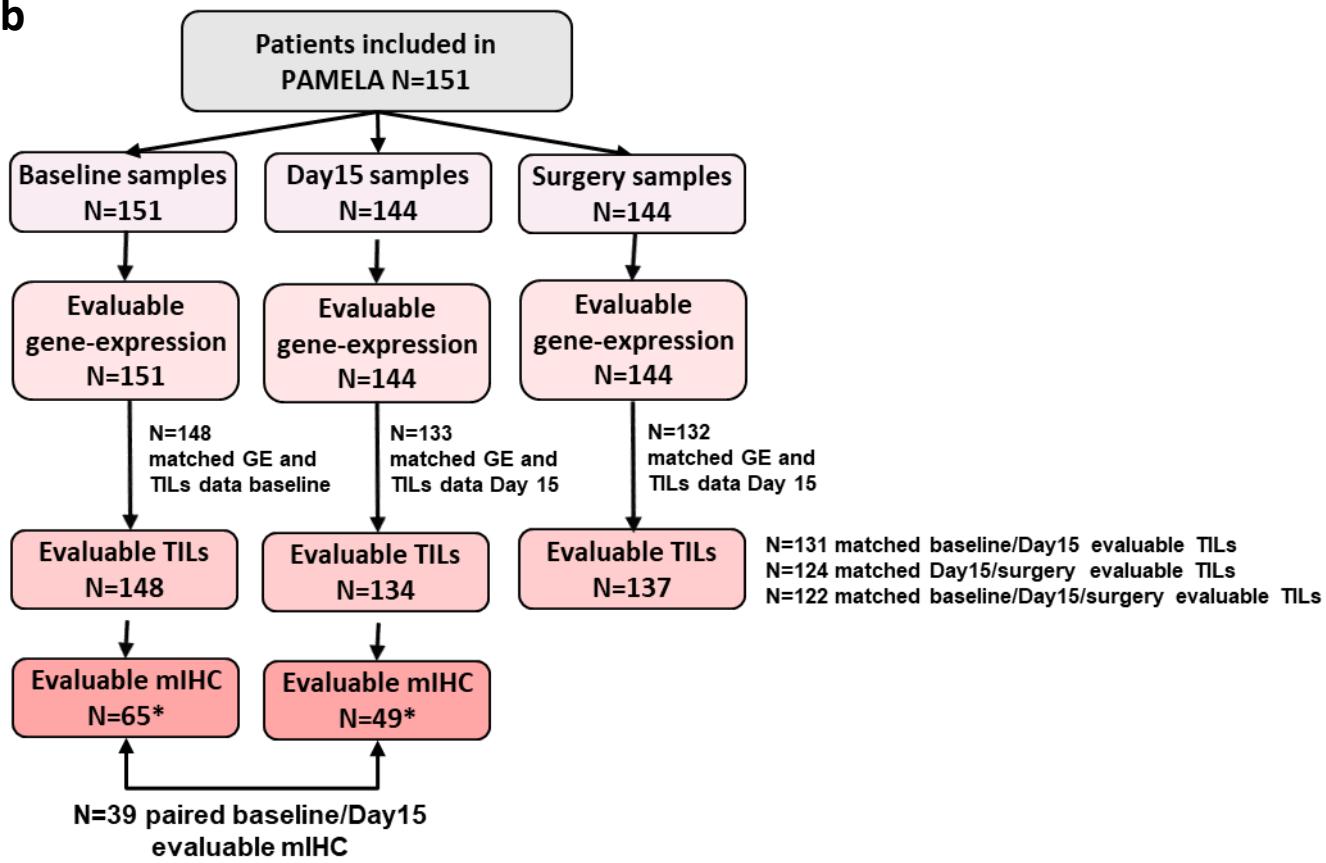
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Classification method	Cell classification
Classification feature	CD3 channel- HDAB-DAB Sensitivity: 98% Size: 15um
Post processing	
Change by area	Lbl: CD3+, Max: 10un2
Separate objects	Lbl: CD3+. Object diameter 7um
Change by area	Lbl: CD3+, Max: 15un2, Clear
Change by area	Lbl: CD3+, Max: 30un2, label 2
Separate objects	Lbl: label 2. Object diameter 5um2
Change	Lbl: label 2 to CD3+
Change by intensity (Foxp3 channel)	Lbl: CD3; intensity: -inf -> 150, %object 0%-30%, Foxp3+
Change by intensity (CD8 channel)	Lbl: CD3; intensity: -inf -> 200, %object 0%-20%, CD8+
Change by intensity (CD4 channel)	Lbl: CD3; intensity: -inf -> 200, %object 0%-20%, CD4+
Change by intensity (Ki67 channel)	Lbl: CD3; intensity: -inf -> 175, %object 0%-30%, CD3+Ki67+
Change by intensity (Ki67 channel)	Lbl: Foxp3; intensity: -inf -> 200, %object 0%-20%, Foxp3+Ki67+
Change by intensity (Ki67 channel)	Lbl: CD8; intensity: -inf -> 175, %object 0%-30%, CD8+Ki67+
Change by intensity (Ki67 channel)	Lbl: CD4; intensity: -inf -> 175, %object 0%-30%, CD4+Ki67+
Apply counting frame	Lbl: all, replace with clear
Output	Densities of all classes: Foxp3+ Ki67+ Foxp3+ Ki67- CD3+ Ki67+ CD3+ Ki67- Cd8+ Ki67+ Cd8+ Ki67- Cd4+Ki67+ Cd4+Ki67- % of proliferating immune cells: % proliferating Foxp3 % proliferating CD3 % proliferating CD8 % proliferating CD4 Areas

Supplementary Figures

a

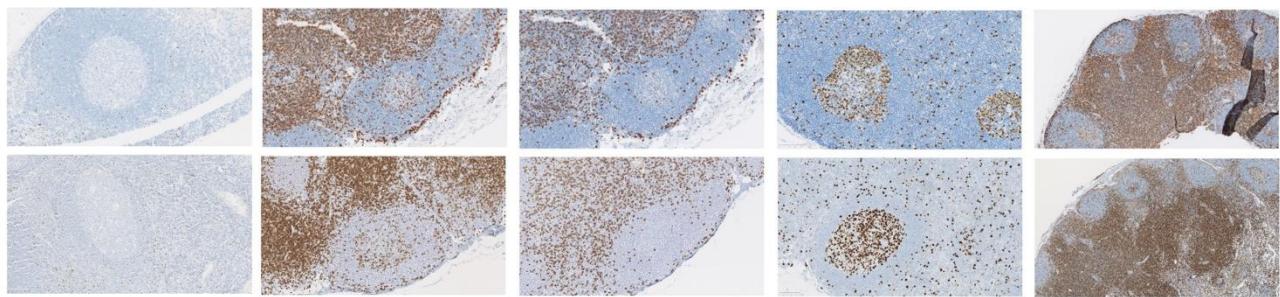


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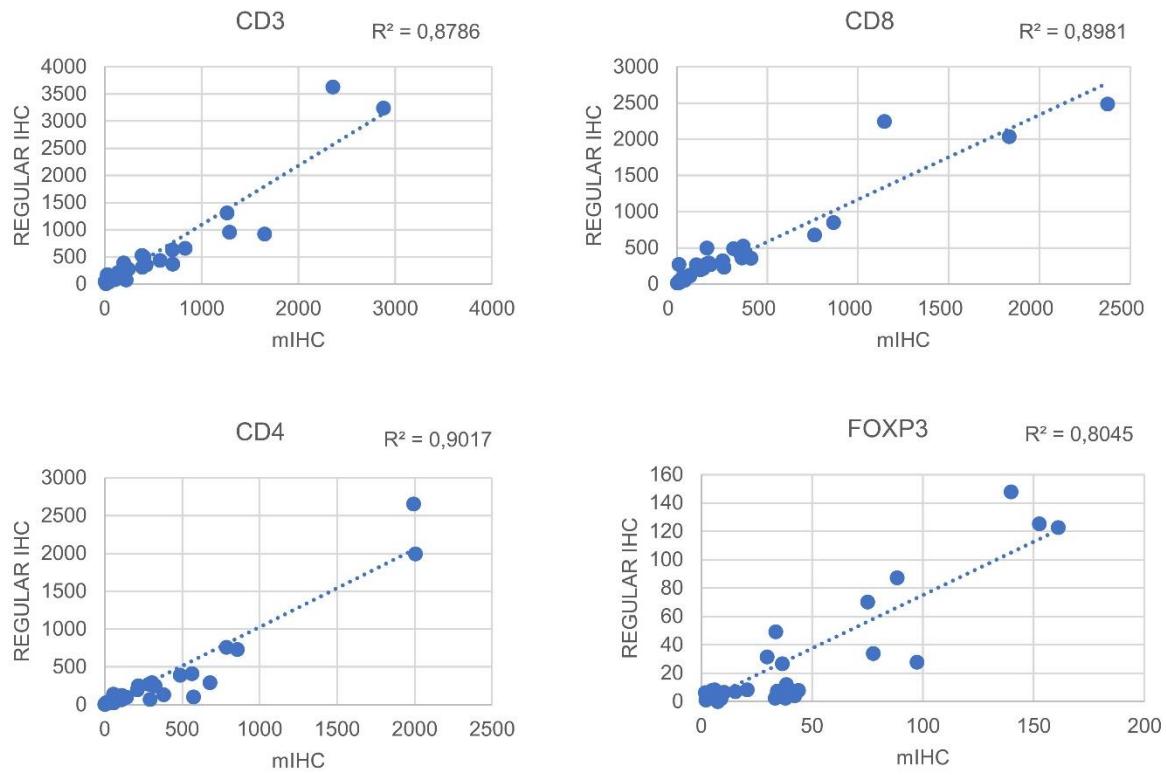


* Evaluable cases for immune cell subpopulations according to localization are reported in Table 3

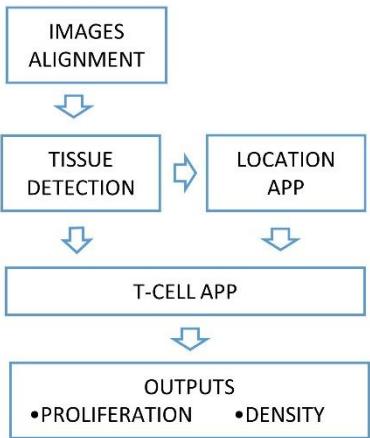
Supplementary Figure 1. PAMELA trial design (a) and REMARK diagram of biological samples evaluated in this translational trial (b)



Supplementary Figure 2. Representative stainings of Foxp3, CD3, CD8, Ki67 and CD4 markers (from left to right) performed with NGI technology in the upper line and with standard DAB staining in the bottom line. Foxp3, CD3, CD8 and Ki67 images at 20X and CD4 images at 10X.

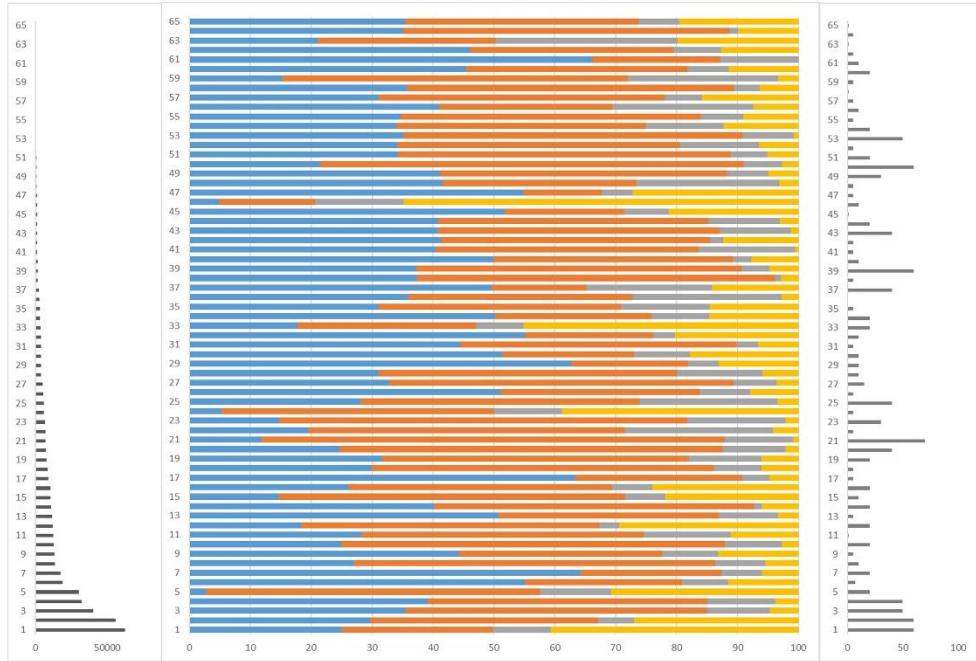


Supplementary Figure 3. Correlations of densities of different biomarkers performed with NGI technology (mIHC) and with regular IHC protocols using DAB in a subset of 30 breast cancer tumors on a tissue microarray.

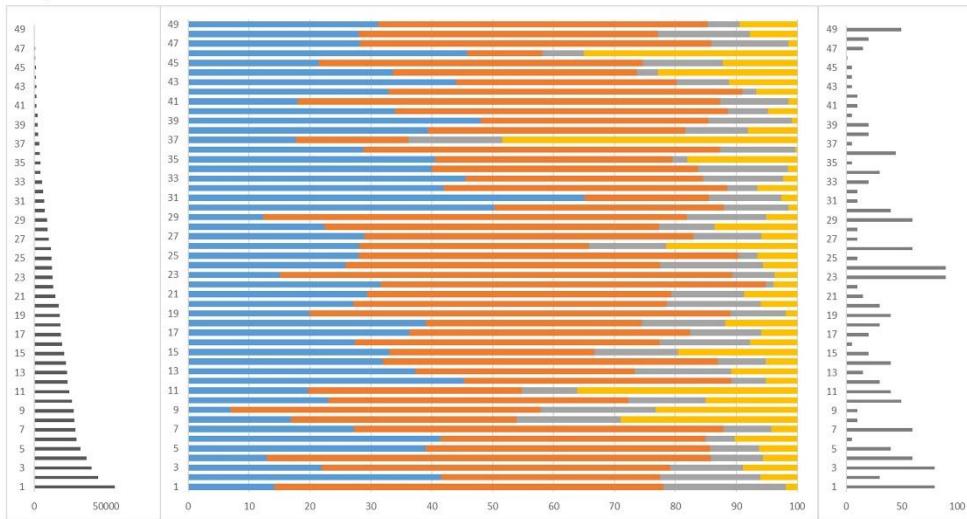


Supplementary Figure 4. Analytical pipeline of image analysis. First, obtained images are aligned. Then, an automatic tissue recognition is performed and after that the t-cell density APP is run to obtain global results. In order to obtain results separately for each of the areas, the location APP is run before the t-cell density APP.

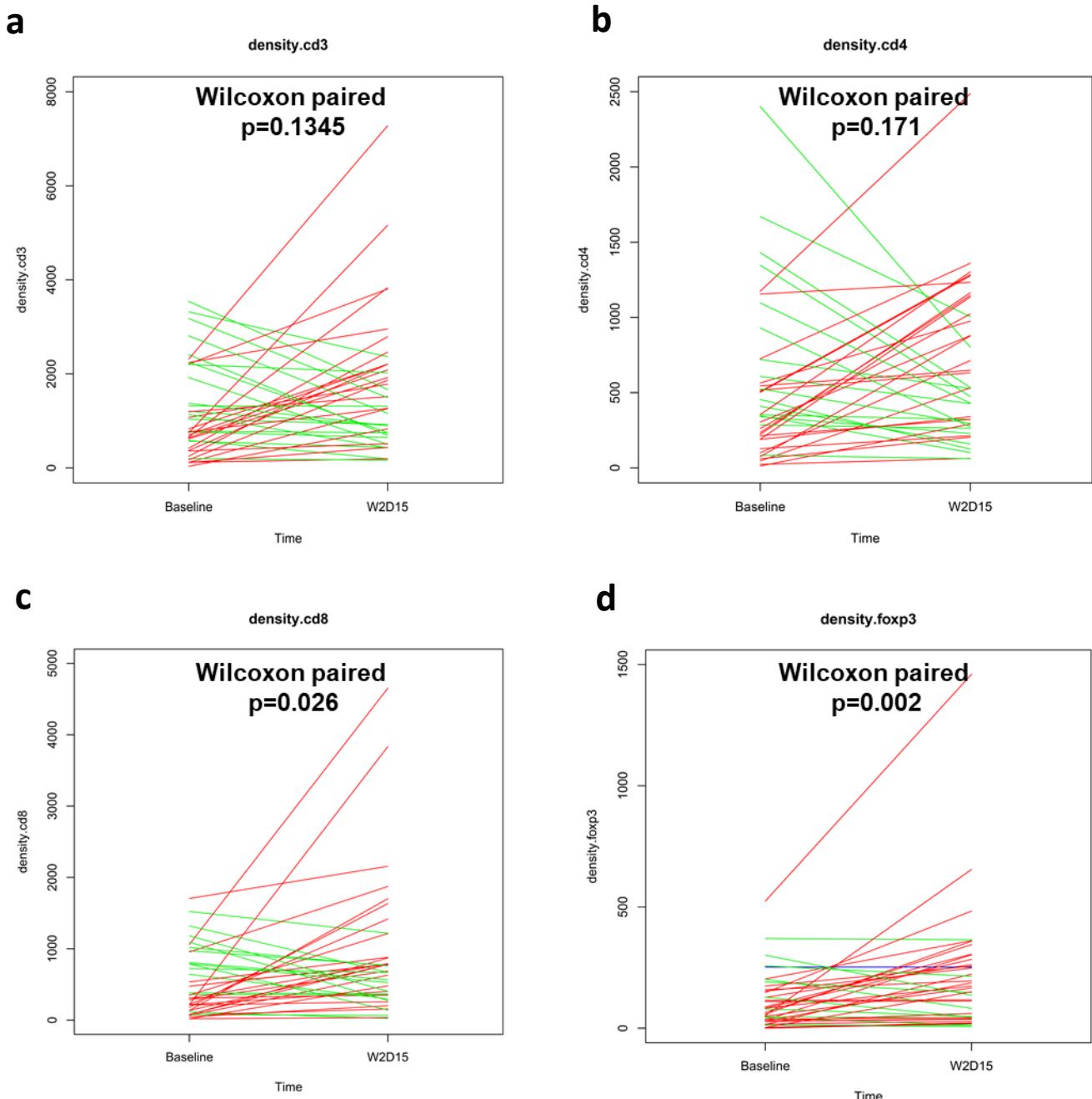
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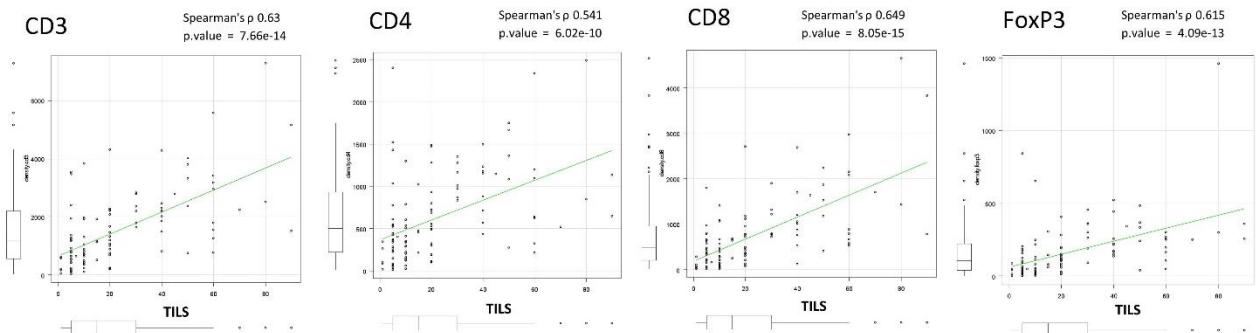
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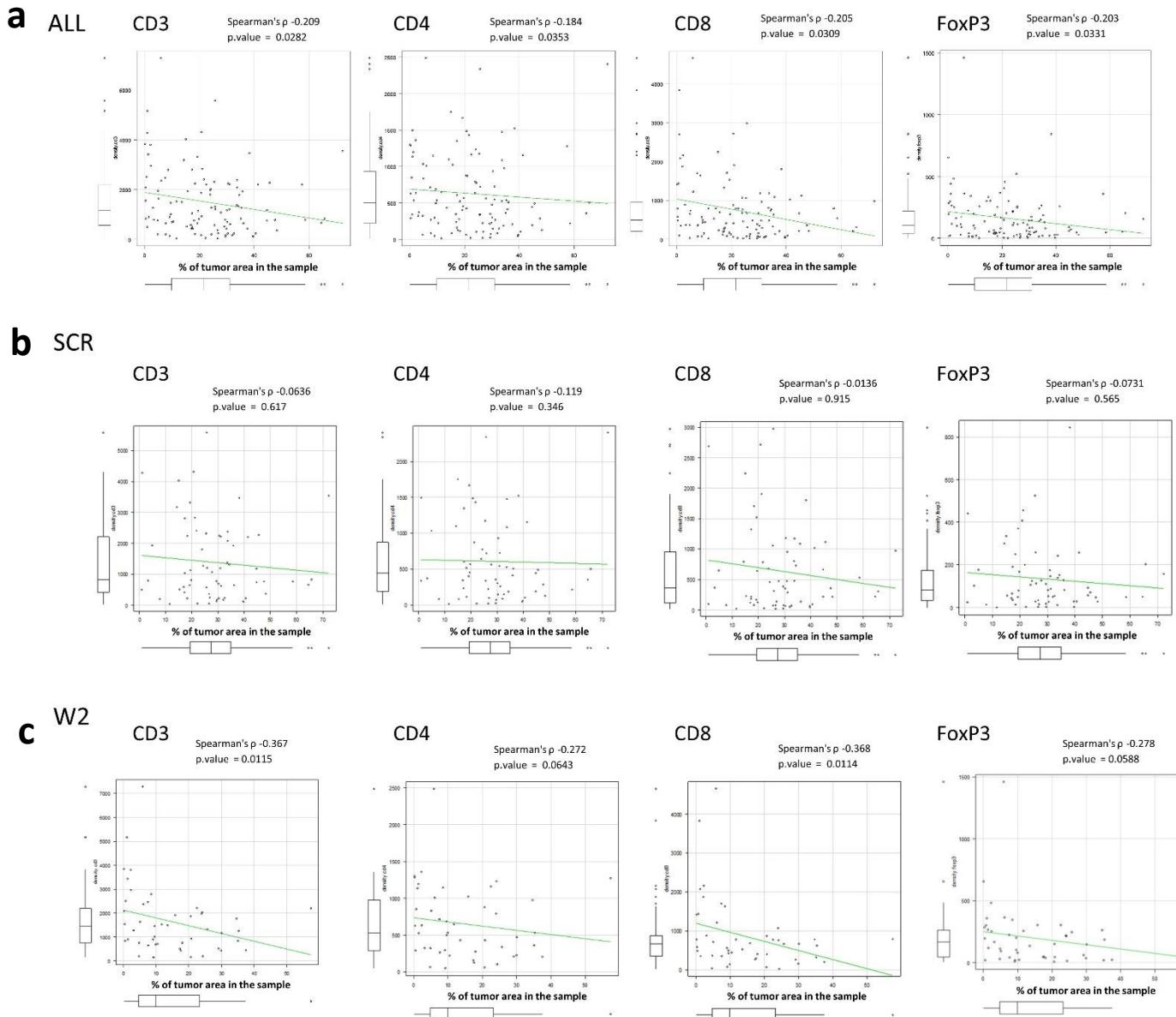
Supplementary Figure 5. CD3+ densities, proportions of CD8⁺ (blue), Foxp3⁺ (orange), CD4⁺ (gray) and CD3⁺only (yellow) cells and stromal tumor infiltrating lymphocytes (TILs) separated by baseline and day15 samples.



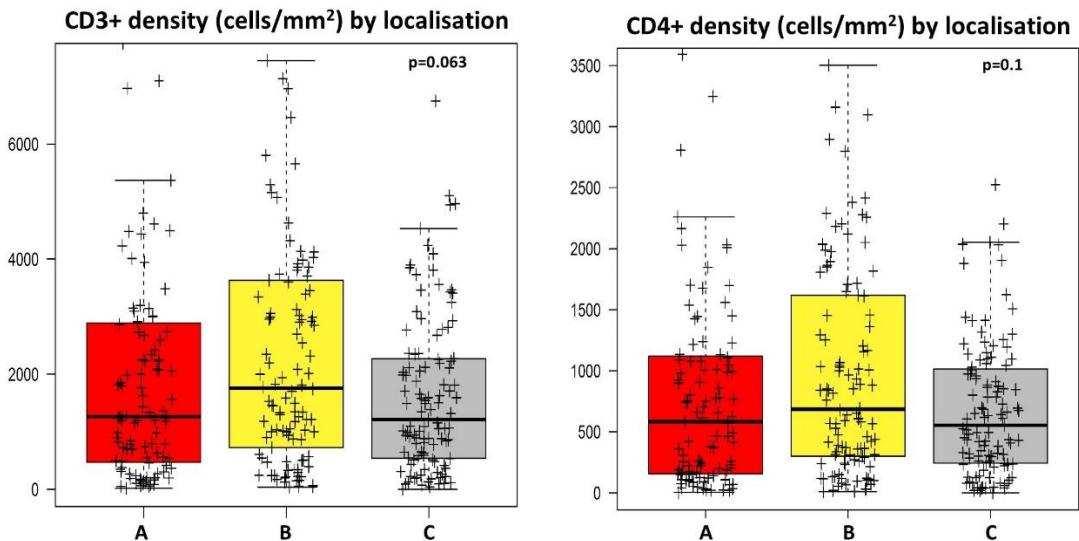
Supplementary Figure 6. Two-point graphs showing individual patient immune cell density data from baseline to Day 15 for the 39 patients with paired samples: CD3 (a); CD4 (b); CD8 (c); Foxp3 (d).



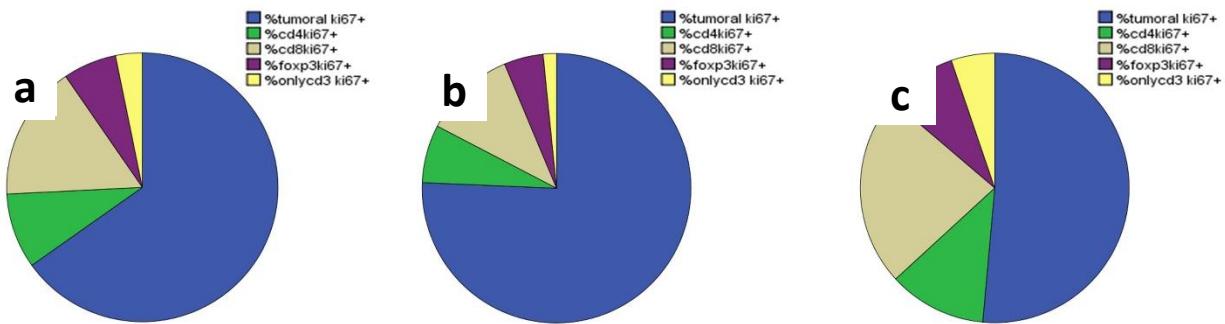
Supplementary Figure 7. Scatter plots showing the correlation between immune cell densities (CD3+, CD4+, CD8+ and Foxp3+) and TILs. Box-plot of immune cell densities and TILs are shown next to the y and x axis, respectively.



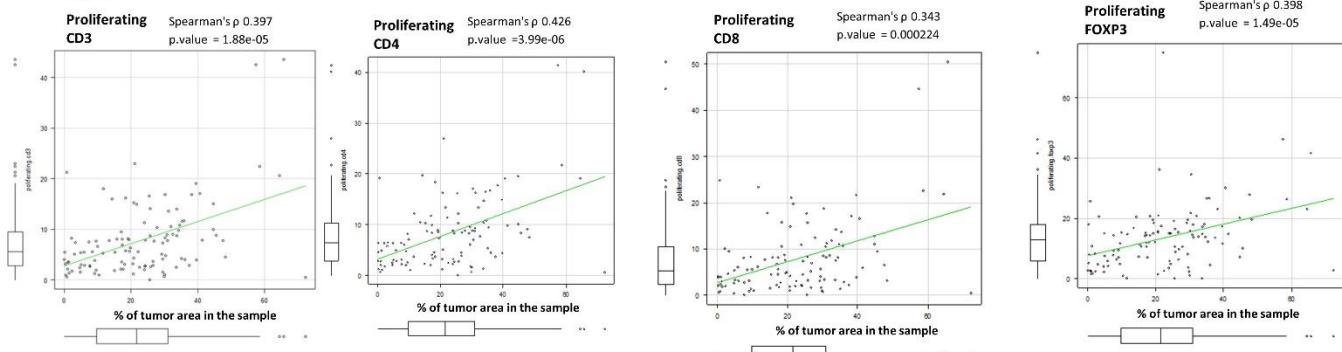
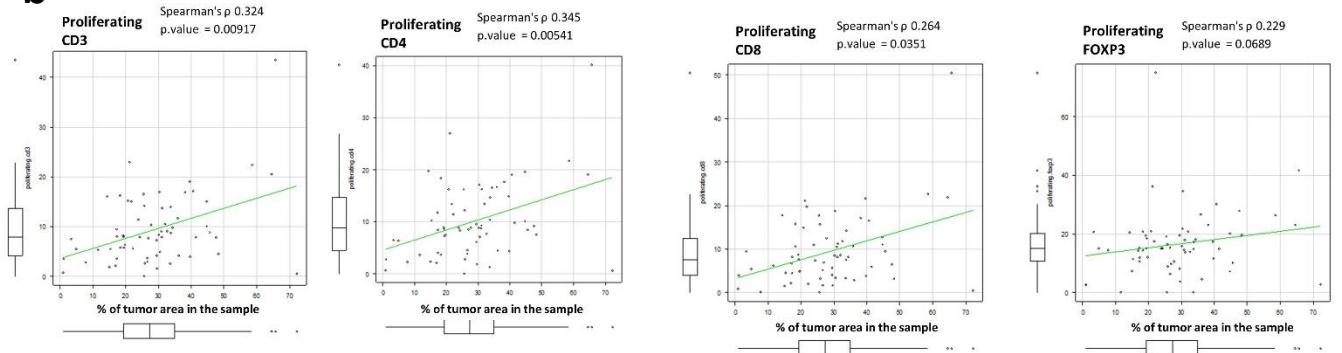
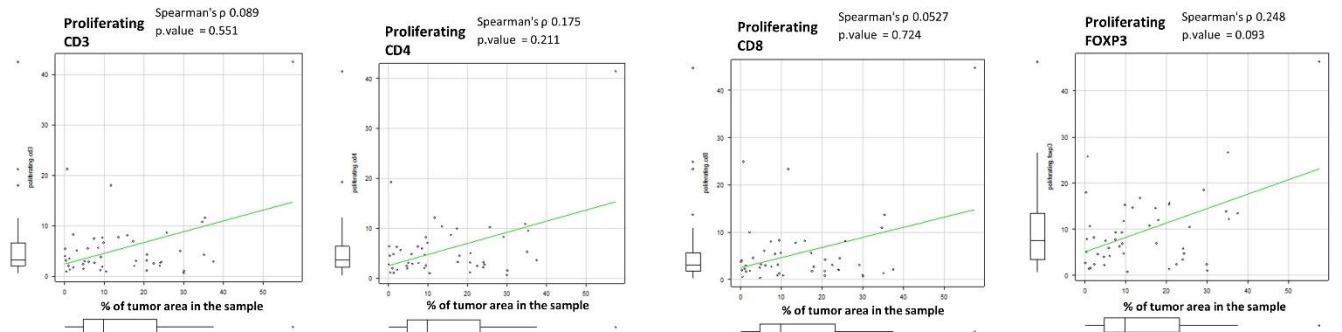
Supplementary Figure 8. Scatter plots showing the correlation between immune cell densities (CD3+, CD4+, CD8+ and Foxp3+) and percentage of tumor area in the sample. Box-plot of immune cell densities and percentage of tumor area in the sample are shown next to the y and x axis, respectively. a, all samples, b, baseline samples and c, Day 15 samples.



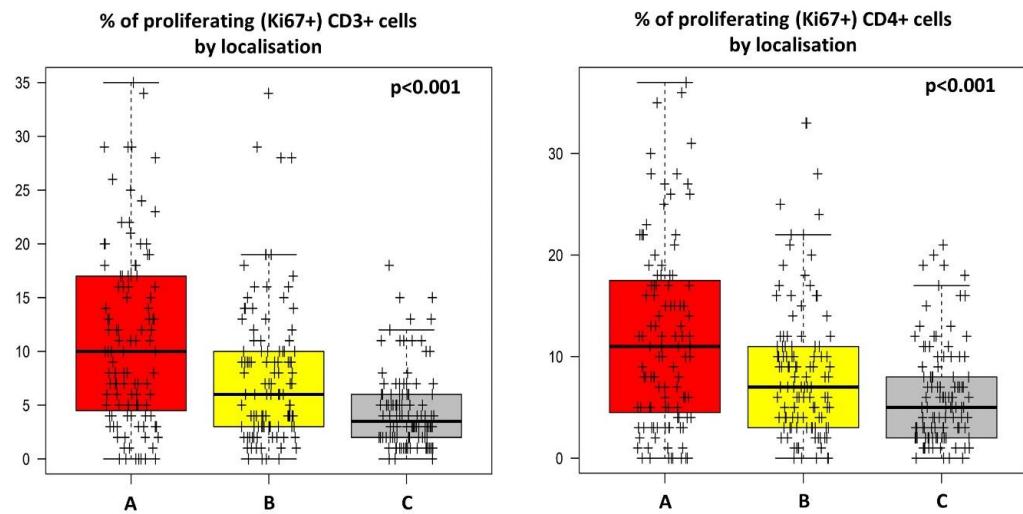
Supplementary Figure 9. Box-plots of immune cells densities (CD3+and CD4+) according to spatial location. Boxplot legend: centre line: median; bounds of box: interquartile range (IQR); whiskers: highest and lowest value excluding outliers ($Q3+1.5 \cdot IQR$ to $Q1-1.5 \cdot IQR$); markers beyond the whiskers: potential outliers.



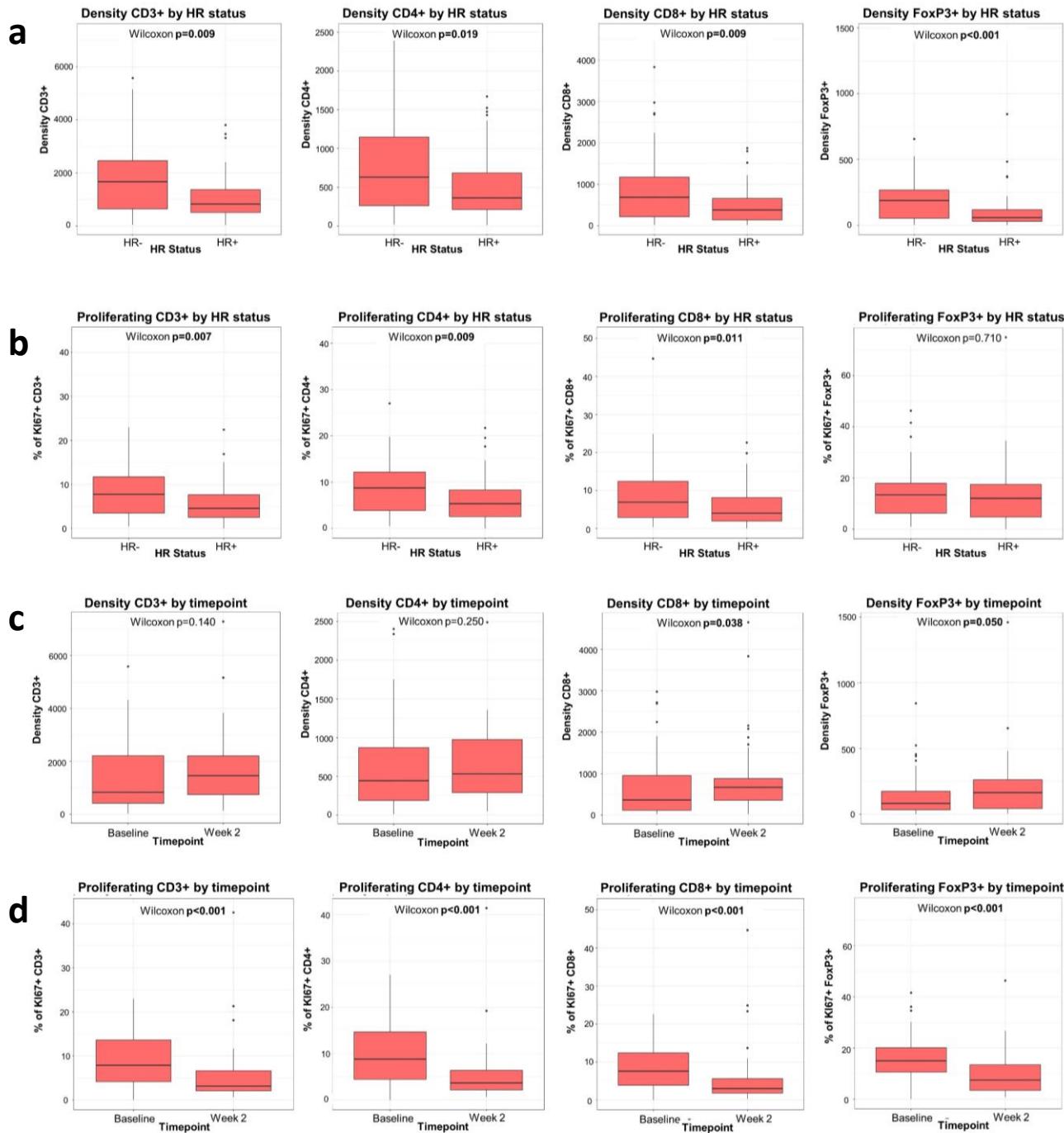
Supplementary Figure 10. Pie chart showing the proportion of proliferating cells over the total proliferating cells in the tumor samples. Tumoral cells in blue, CD4 in green, CD8 in gray, Foxp3 in purple and CD3 only in yellow. a for all the samples, b for baseline samples and c for Day15 samples.

a ALL**b SCR****c W2**

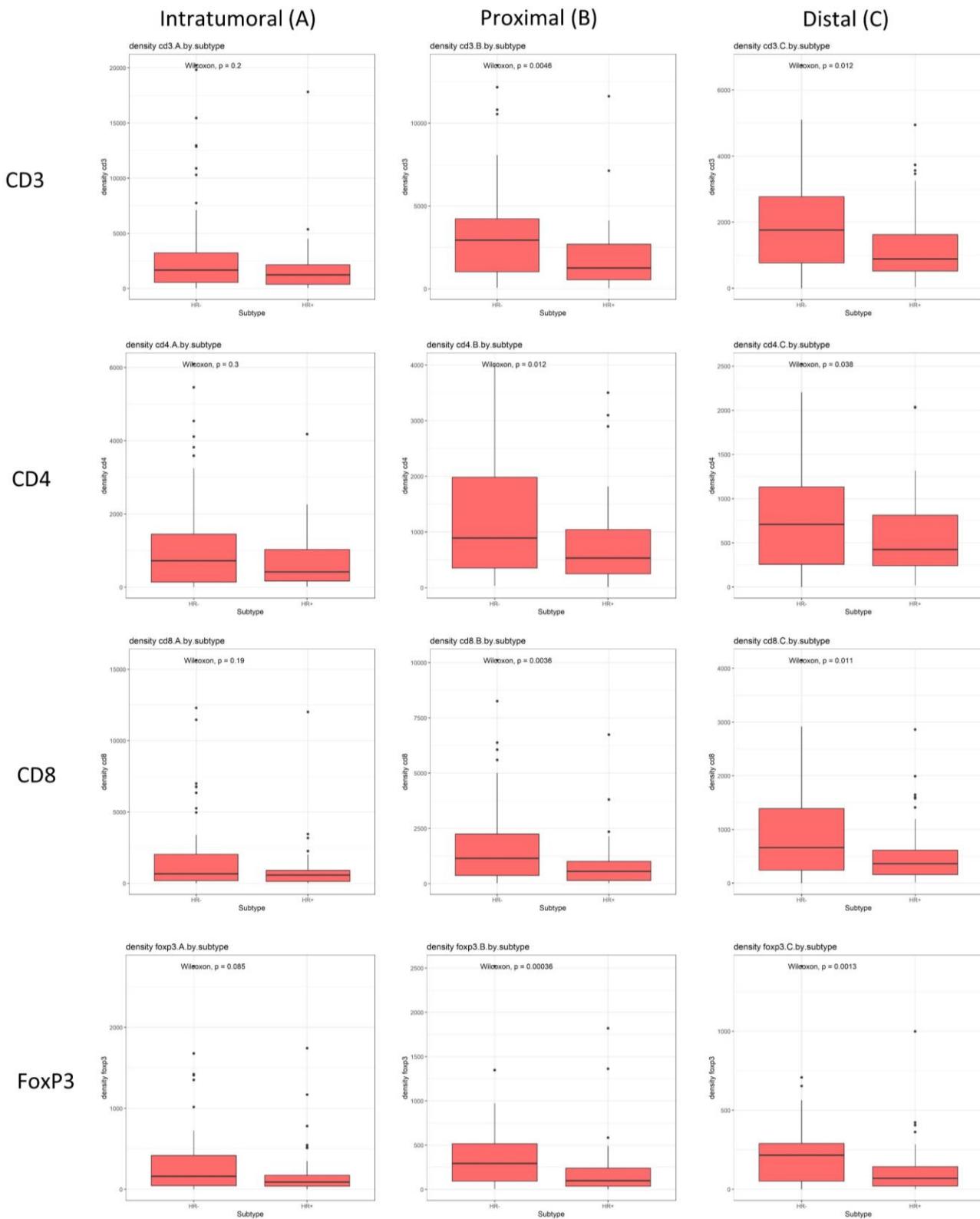
Supplementary Figure 11. Scattered plots of the proportion of proliferating cells (CD3+, CD4+, CD8+ and Foxp3+) and tumoral areas. Box-plot of the proportion of proliferating cells and tumoral areas are shown next to the y and x axis, respectively. a for all the samples, b for baseline samples and c for Day 15 samples.



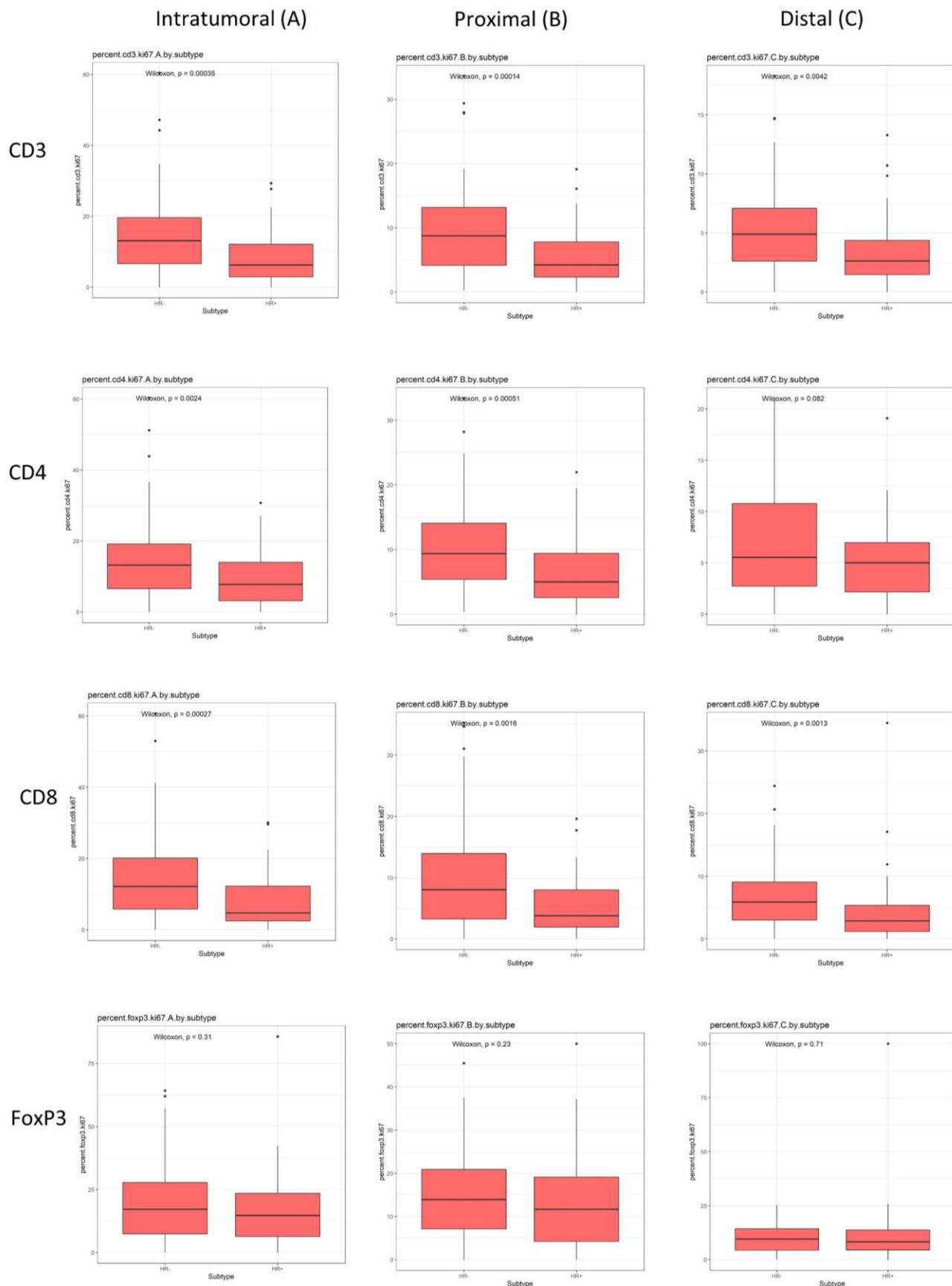
Supplementary Figure 12. Box-plots of the proportion of proliferating immune cells (CD3+ and CD4+) according to spatial location. Boxplot legend: centre line: median; bounds of box: interquartile range (IQR); whiskers: highest and lowest value excluding outliers ($Q3+1.5*IQR$ to $Q1-1.5*IQR$); markers beyond the whiskers: potential outliers.



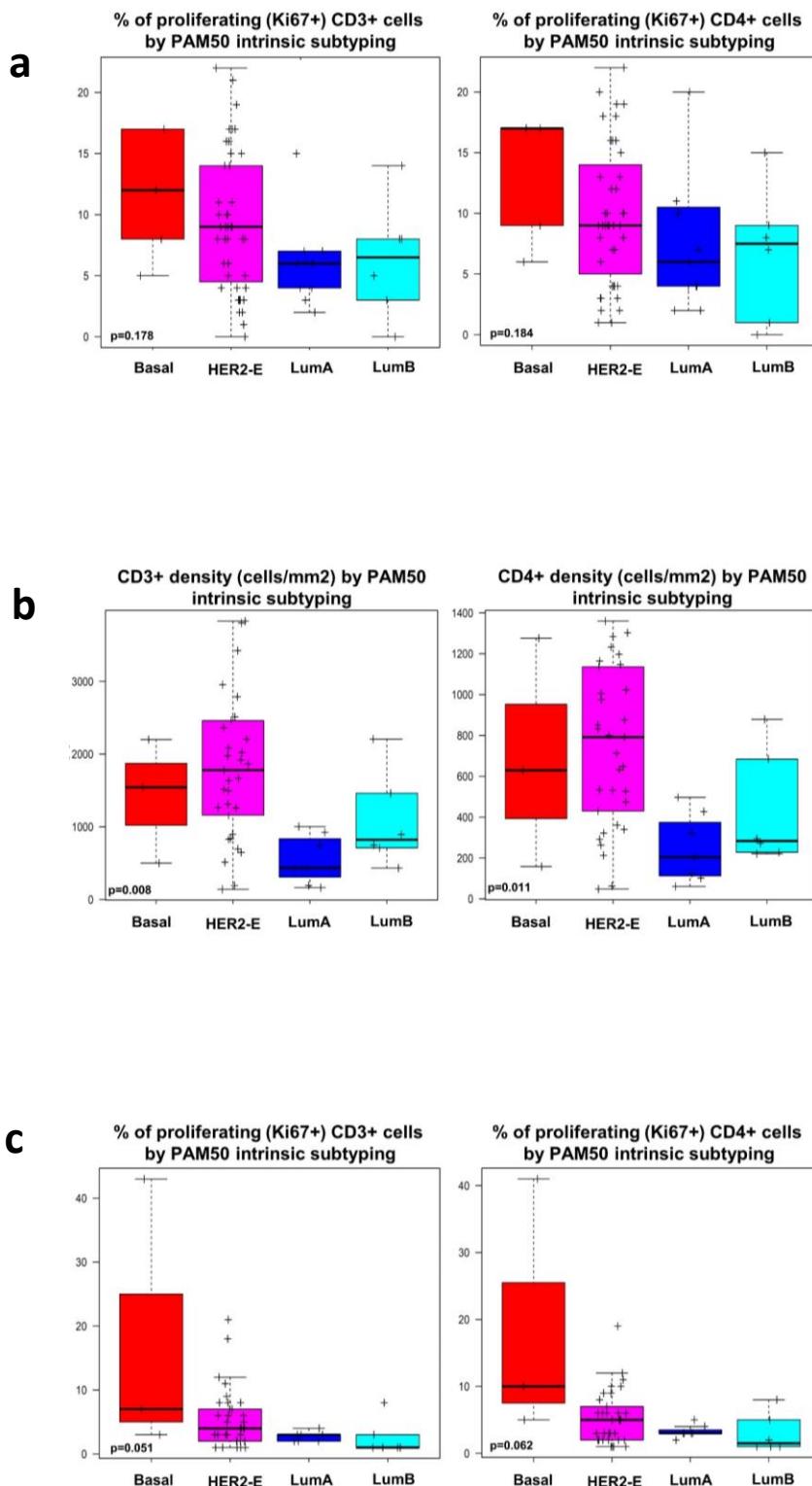
Supplementary Figure 13. Box-plots of immune cell densities (CD3+, CD4+, CD8+ and Foxp3+) and percentage of proliferating immune cells (CD3+, CD4+, CD8+ and Foxp3+) according to HR status (a and b, respectively) and according to timepoint (c and d, respectively). Boxplot legend: centre line: median; bounds of box: interquartile range (IQR); whiskers: highest and lowest value excluding outliers ($Q3+1.5 \times IQR$ to $Q1-1.5 \times IQR$); markers beyond the whiskers: potential outliers.



Supplementary Figure 14. Box-plots of immune cell densities (CD3+, CD4+, CD8+ and Foxp3+) by HR status in intratumoral (A), proximal (B) and distal (C) locations. Boxplot legend: centre line: median; bounds of box: interquartile range (IQR); whiskers: highest and lowest value excluding outliers ($Q3 + 1.5 \times IQR$ to $Q1 - 1.5 \times IQR$); markers beyond the whiskers: potential outliers.



Supplementary Figure 15. Box-plots of percentage of proliferating immune cells (CD3+, CD4+, CD8+ and Foxp3+) by HR status in intratumoral (A), proximal (B) and distal (C) locations. Boxplot legend: centre line: median; bounds of box: interquartile range (IQR); whiskers: highest and lowest value excluding outliers ($Q3 + 1.5 \times IQR$ to $Q1 - 1.5 \times IQR$); markers beyond the whiskers: potential outliers.



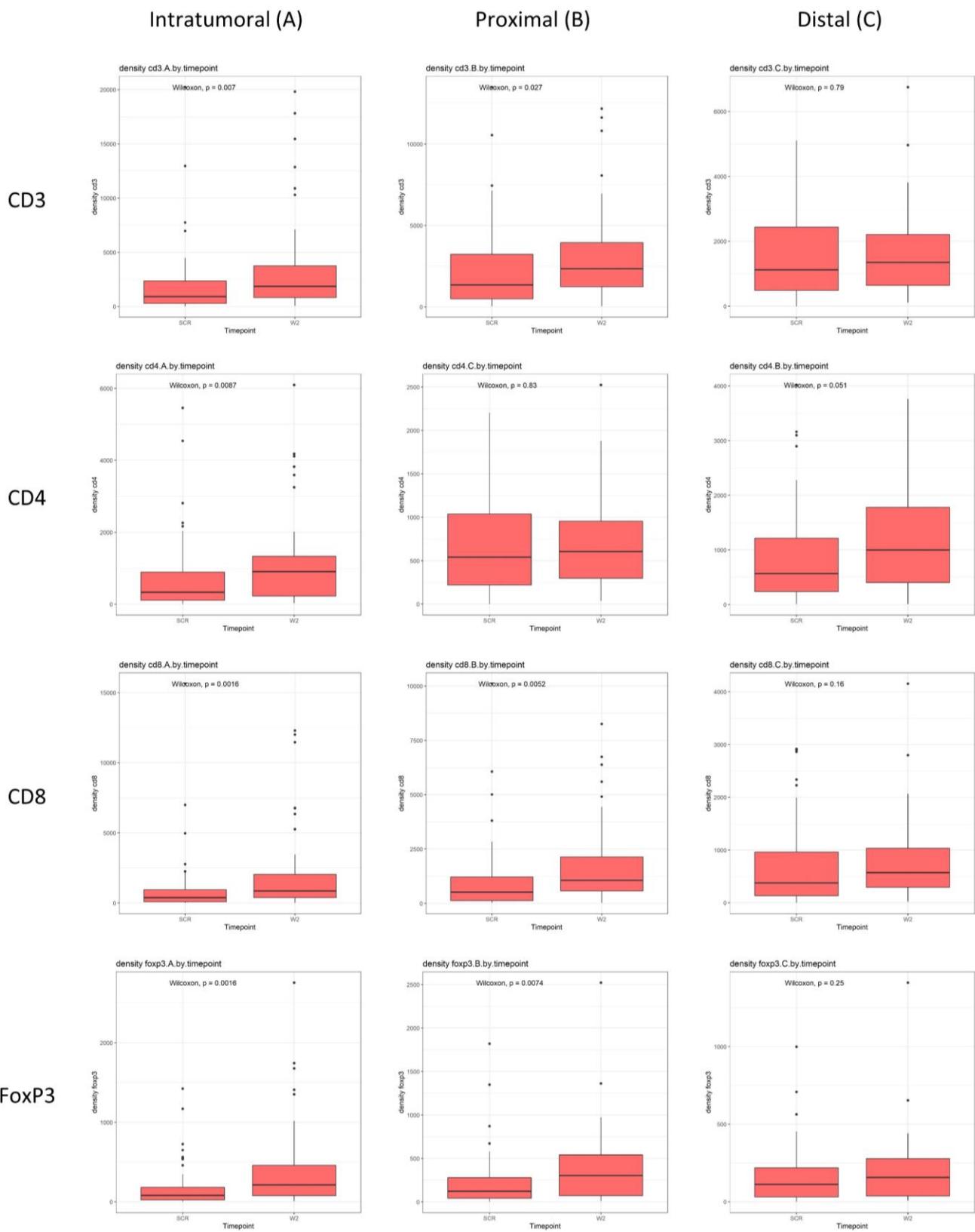
Supplementary Figure 16. Immune cell density according to intrinsic subtype

Supplementary Figure 16a. Box-plots of the proportion of proliferating immune cells ($CD3^+$, $CD4^+$) at baseline according to baseline intrinsic subtyping.

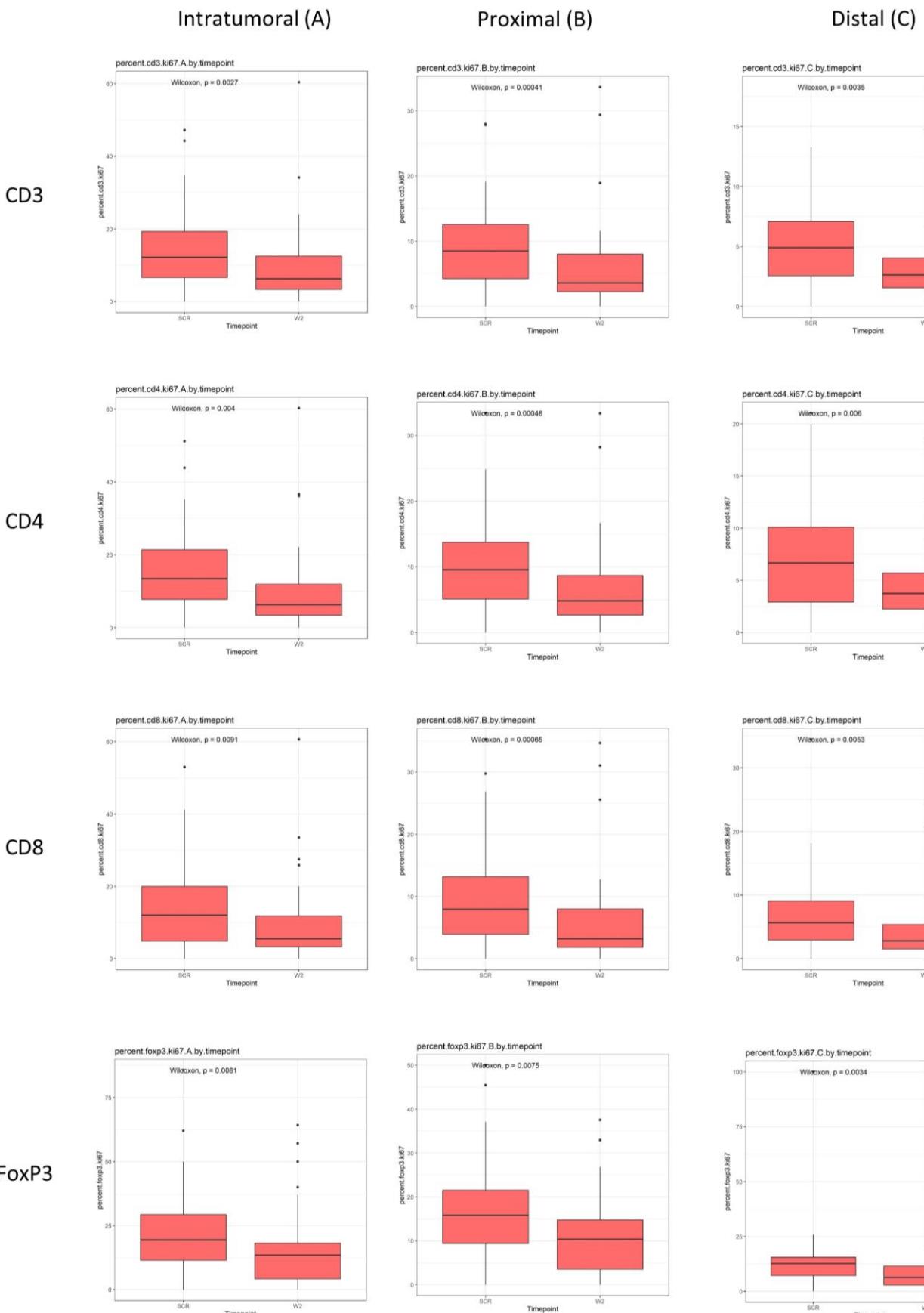
Supplementary Figure 16b. Box-plots of immune cells densities ($CD3^+$, $CD4^+$) at day 15 according to baseline intrinsic subtyping.

Supplementary Figure 16c. Box-plots of the proportion of proliferating immune cells ($CD3^+$, $CD4^+$) at day 15 according to baseline intrinsic subtyping.

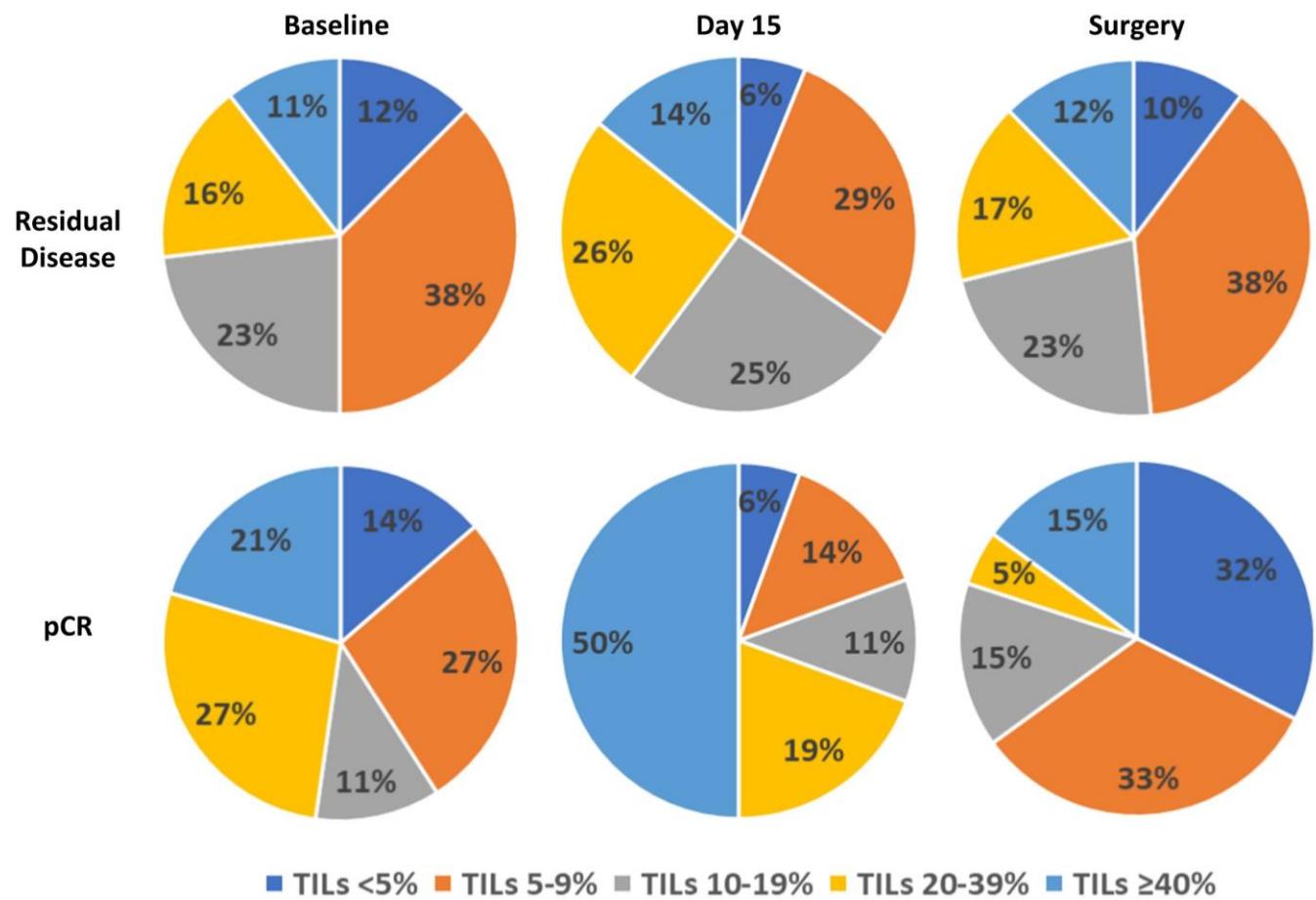
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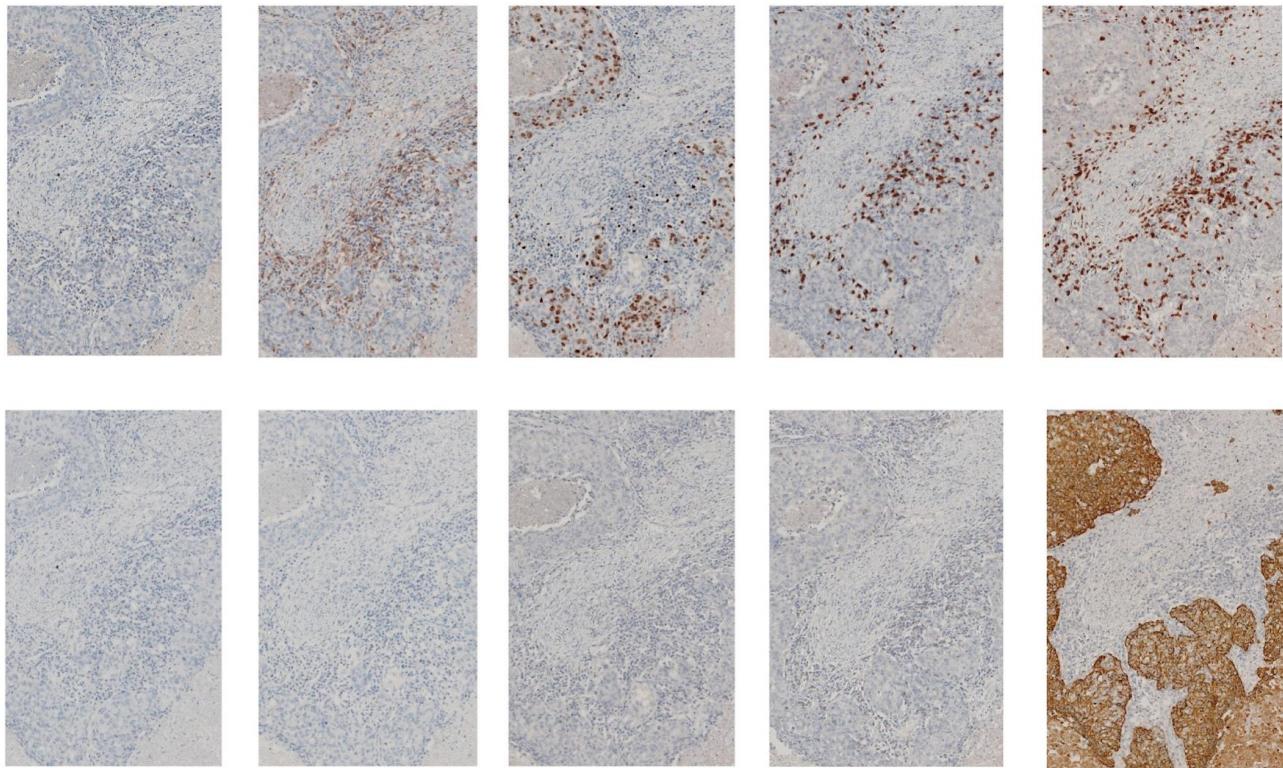
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Supplementary Figure 18. Box-plots of percentage of proliferating immune cells (CD3+, CD4+, CD8+ and Foxp3+) by timepoint in intratumoral (A), proximal (B) and distal (C) locations. Boxplot legend: centre line: median; bounds of box: interquartile range (IQR); whiskers: highest and lowest value excluding outliers ($Q3 + 1.5 \times IQR$ to $Q1 - 1.5 \times IQR$); markers beyond the whiskers: potential outliers.



Supplementary Figure 19. Distribution of sTIL levels at the three timepoints according to pathological response (pCR versus residual disease).



Supplementary Figure 20. Sequential staining of Foxp3, CD4, Ki67, CD8 and CD3 on the same tissue slide (top panel, from left to right). In the bottom panel, an intermediate step in-between two target stainings where the primary antibody was omitted shows the absence of cross-reactivity. The last staining shows a cytokeratin after CD3 staining for tumor mask. Images at 4X.