

Supplementary Table S1: Potential mechanisms that increase the risk of immune-related adverse event incidence

Risk factor or biomarker	Possible mechanism for increasing the risk of irAE
Age	Age related changes to immune system (immunosensence) [1]
Gender	Immunomodulation by hormones - Generally, estrogens are considered enhancers of immune cells activity while progesterone and androgens are immunosuppressants [2]
Higher body mass index	Increased leptin in obesity is pro-inflammatory [3]
Sarcopenia and low muscle mass	Altered metabolism and clearance of anticancer drugs, and pro inflammatory state [4]
Allergy	Activation of allergen-specific CD4+ T cells [5]
Autoimmune disease or autoimmune antibody detection	Common human leukocyte antigen (HLA) loci involved [6]
Comorbidities	Exacerbation of preexisting conditions and vasculitis [7].
Medications	Changes in microbiome (antibiotics) or may induce loss of tolerance of memory T cells that have previously been primed to a drug or other hapten (ACE/ARB, NSAID or PPI) [8]
Vitamin D	Mediates downregulation of IL-17A and upregulation of IL-10 resulting in IFN- β mediated effect on CD4+ T [9, 10]
Influenza vaccine	Viral-based vaccination mediated infiltration of central memory T cells into the tissues, leading to irAE [11]
Higher tumor mutational burden	Higher neoantigenic load leading to more immunogenicity [12]
Immune system related biomarkers - Circulating blood cells (white	Dynamic alteration in tumor microenvironment, macrophage activation and fluctuations in signaling cytokines along with pro

blood cells – all kinds and platelets) and cytokines	inflammatory conditions are responsible for increased irAEs [6, 13-21]
Serum proteins	Nutritional status can influence the degree of systemic immune activation and higher irAEs [18]
Specific gene expression and micro-RNA profiling	Increased inflammatory response and predisposition to autoimmune disease [22-24]
Intestinal microbiota	Variable levels of Tregs levels in gut influenced by flora can lead to significant irAEs [17, 25, 26]

irAE- immune related-adverse events; PPI - Proton-pump inhibitors; NSAID - nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs; ACE angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors, ARB angiotensin receptor blockers.

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