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Software and code

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Data collection FACS Diva, BD FACS Canto II, and Attune control software was used to collect flow cytometry data. Incucyte Zoom software was used to count RFP and AnnexinV positive cell in the cancer cell killing assays. Living Image (Xenogen) version 4.5.5 software was used for acquisition of bioluminescence imaging datasets.

Data analysis Flow cytometry data was gated with FlowJo v10 and 10.7.1 and BD FACSDiva v8. Next generation sequencing data was pre-processed with Kallisto v0.46.1. CRISPR screen results were analyzed with MAGeCK v0.5.9. The following R (v4.0.2) packages were used in this work: Plots were generated by ggplot2 v3.3.3, flow plots were generated with ggcyto 1.16.0, statistical tests by ggsignif 0.6.1, DE analysis by DESeq2 1.32.0, scRNA-seq plots were generated with Seurat 4.0.4, genes correlated with RASA2 expression in immune cells were found using correlationAnalyzeR v1.0.0. R code used in this manuscript will be made available upon reasonable request. Plots were also generated using Prism V9 (GraphPad). Densitometry analysis of western blots was completed using ImageJ 1.52q, Java 1.8.0_172. Living Image (Xenogen) version 4.5.5 software was used for analysis of the ROI values from the bioluminescence imaging.

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All CRISPR screen data generated for this manuscript is provided in Supplementary Tables 1 and 2. Results from validation arrayed screens are detailed in Supplementary Table 3. Differential gene expression analysis is provided in Supplementary Table 4. Raw sequencing data for RNA-Seq experiments is deposited on GEO with accession GSE204862. This manuscript uses the following published datasets: GSE119450, GSE89307, GSE86881 and GSE138459.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	No statistical methods were used to predetermine sample size. Sample sizes were estimated based on preliminary experiments and previously published results. We made the effort to achieve a minimum sample size n=5 mice per treatment arm which proved to be sufficient to reproducibly observe statistically significant differences. Sample size is stated in each panel, including number of distinct human donors and technical replicates.
Data exclusions	Results show all data points collected from the experiments described in the manuscript.
Replication	All experimental findings were reproducible as indicated by the statistical analysis in the figure legends.
Randomization	For all in vivo experiments, mice were randomized to ensure equal tumor burden distribution in each group before T cells were transferred. For in vitro experiments, no randomizing was required as each experimental condition (ie: control targeting sgRNA and gene of interest sgRNAs) was controlled within each T cell donor.
Blinding	For all in vivo experiments, mouse randomization and injections were always done by a blinded member of the Preclinical Therapeutics Core or a blinded member of the Marson laboratory. Measurements of tumor burdens, monitoring of the mice, and tumor burden analysis were performed by members of the Preclinical Therapeutics Core who were blinded to the experimental groups. For the in vivo cell phenotyping and rechallenge experiments, when the Preclinical Therapeutics Core staff was not available, Dr. Carnevale collected the data and was not blinded to the groups. For the histopathological analysis of bone marrow and splenic tissues, the hematopathologist was blinded to the experimental groups. For all other in vitro experiments the data collection was not blinded, but was measured with objective methodologies (flow cytometry, incuCyte, RNA-Seq). Fully blinded in vitro experiments were not possible due to personnel availability to accommodate such situations.

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Antibodies

Antibodies used

For Western blots: p-ERK (Clone D13.14.4E, Cell Signaling Technology Cat #4370), p-MEK (Clone 41G9, Cell Signaling Technology Cat #9154, Vinculin (Clone V11F9, Millipore sigma Cat #MAB3574), RASA2 (Sigma Aldrich, Cat #HPA03537), beta-Actin Rabbit mAb (HRP

Conjugate) (Clone 13E5, Cell signaling Cat# 5125), Anti-Rabbit HRP antibody (Cell Signaling Cat# 7074), Anti-mouse IgG, HRP-linked Antibody (Cell Signaling Cat# 7076), RASA2 – rabbit anti-human GAP1m (NBP1-89794, Novus Biologicals), GAPDH – mouse anti-human GAPDH (sc-47724, clone 0411, Santa Cruz Biotechnology), goat anti-rabbit IgG–HRP (111-036-045, Jackson ImmunoResearch), goat anti-mouse IgG–HRP (sc-2005, Santa Cruz Biotechnology)

Flow Cytometry:

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From BD Biosciences:

Anti-MEK1 (pS218)/MEK2 (pS222) (Clone O24-836, Cat #562460) , PE Mouse anti-4EBP1 (pT36/pT45) (Clone M31-16, Cat #560285), Brilliant Violet 421™ Anti-Akt (pS473) (Clone M89-61, Cat #562599), PE Mouse Anti-Human IFN-γ (Clone B27, Cat #554701), BV711 Mouse Anti-Human IL-2 (Clone 5344.111, Cat #563946), APC-Cy7 Mouse anti-human CD45 (Clone 2D1, Cat# 557833), BUV395 Mouse Anti-Human CD4 (Clone SK3, Cat# 563550), BV421 Mouse Anti-Human CD62L (Clone DREG-56, Cat# 563862), BV650 Mouse Anti-Human CD45RA (Clone HI100, Cat# 563963), BV480 Mouse Anti-Human CD279 (PD-1) (Clone EH12.1, Cat# 566112), BUV737 Mouse Anti-Human CD19 (Clone SJ25C1, Cat# 564303)

From Thermo Fisher:

PE-Cyanine7 Anti-Human CD8a (Clone SK1, Cat# 25-0087-42), PerCP-eFluor 710 Anti-Human CD223 (LAG-3) (Clone 3DS223H, Cat# 46-2239-42), 7-AAD (Cat# A1310), Counting Beads (Cat# C36995)

From Beckman Coulter:

CD19-PE (IM1285U, clone J3-119), CD19-APC (IM2470U, clone J3-119)

Validation

- BV421™ CD69 (Clone FN50) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/brilliant-violet-421-anti-human-cd69-antibody-7141>
- FITC anti-human CD154 (Clone 24-31) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/fits-anti-human-cd154-antibody-1665>
- FITC anti-human CD279 (PD-1) (Clone A17188B) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/fits-anti-human-cd279-pd-1-antibody-18921>
- PE CD anti-human CD25 (Clone BC96) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pe-anti-human-cd25-antibody-616>
- BV711™ CD223 (LAG-3) (Clone 11C3C65) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/brilliant-violet-711-anti-human-cd223-lag-3-antibody-14878>
- BV421™ anti-human CD366 (Tim-3) (Clone F38-2E2) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/brilliant-violet-421-anti-human-cd366-tim-3-antibody-7401>
- PE anti-human CD39 (Clone A1) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pe-anti-human-cd39-antibody-4364>
- PE anti-human CD62L (Clone DREG-56) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pe-anti-human-cd62l-antibody-653>
- Alexa Fluor® 488 anti-ERK1/2 Phospho (Thr202/Tyr204) (Clone 4B11B69) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/alexa-fluor-488-anti-erk1-2-phospho-thr202-tyr204-antibody-13656>
- PE anti-ERK1/2 Phospho (Thr202/Tyr204) (Clone 6B8B69) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pe-anti-erk1-2-phospho-thr202-tyr204-antibody-13590>
- BV421™ anti-RPS6 Phospho (Ser235/Ser236) (Clone A17020B) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/brilliant-violet-421-anti-rps6-phospho-ser235ser236-antibody-18271>
- PE anti-p38 MAPK Phospho (Thr180/Tyr182) (Clone A16016A) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pe-anti-p38-mapk-phospho-thr180-tyr182-antibody-18747>
- anti-MEK1 (pS218)/MEK2 (pS222) (Clone O24-836) was validated here <https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/alexa-fluor-647-mouse-anti-mek1-ps218-mek2-ps222.562460>
- PE Mouse anti-4EBP1 (pT36/pT45) (Clone M31-16) was validated here <https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/pe-mouse-anti-4ebp1-pt36-pt45.560285>
- BV421™ Anti-Akt (pS473) (Clone M89-61) was validated here <https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/bv421-mouse-anti-akt-ps473.562599>
- Pacific Blue™ anti-human TNF-α (Clone Mab11) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pacific-blue-anti-human-tnf-alpha-antibody-4149>
- PE Mouse Anti-Human IFN-γ (Clone B27) was validated here <https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/pe-mouse-anti-human-ifn.554701>
- BV711 Mouse Anti-Human IL-2 (Clone 5344.111) was validated here <https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/bv711-mouse-anti-human-il-2.563946>
- APC-Cy7 Mouse anti-human CD45 (Clone 2D1) was validated here <https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/apc-cy-7-mouse-anti-human-cd45.557833>
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- BV421 Mouse Anti-Human CD62L (Clone DREG-56) was validated here <https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/bv421-mouse-anti-human-cd62l.563862>
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 - BV480 Mouse Anti-Human CD279 (PD-1) (Clone EH12.1) was validated here <https://wwwbdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/bv480-mouse-anti-human-cd279-pd-1.566112>
 - BUV737 Mouse Anti-Human CD19 (Clone SJ25C1) was validated here <https://wwwbdbiosciences.com/en-us/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/buv737-mouse-anti-human-cd19.612756>
 - PE anti-human EGFR (Clone AY13) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pe-anti-human-egfr-antibody-7432>
 - BV785 Anti-Human CD366 (Tim-3) (Clone F38-2E2) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/brilliant-violet-785-anti-human-cd366-tim-3-antibody-11965>
 - PE CD127 (IL7Ra) (Clone A019D5) was validated here <https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pe-anti-human-cd127-il-7alpha-antibody-7094>
 - PE-Cyanine7 Anti-Human CD8a (Clone SK1) was validated here <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/CD8a-Antibody-clone-SK1-Monoclonal/25-0087-42>
 - PerCP-eFluor 710 Anti-Human CD223 (LAG-3) (Clone 3DS223H) was validated here <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/CD223-LAG-3-Antibody-clone-3DS223H-Monoclonal/46-2239-42>
 - 7-AAD was validated here <https://www.thermofisher.com/order/catalog/product/A1310?SID=srch-srp-A1310>
 - Counting Beads was validated here <https://www.thermofisher.com/order/catalog/product/C36995?SID=srch-hj-C36995>
 - RASA2 <https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/sigma/hpa035375>
 - p-ERK (Clone D13.14.4E) <https://www.cellsignal.com/product/productDetail.jsp?productId=4370>
 - p-MEK (Clone 41G9) <https://www.cellsignal.com/product/productDetail.jsp?productId=9154>
 - Vinculin (Clone V11F9) <https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/mm/mab3574>
 - beta-Actin Rabbit mAb (HRP Conjugate) <https://www.cellsignal.com/products/antibody-conjugates/b-actin-13e5-rabbit-mab-hrp-conjugate/5125>
 - Anti-Rabbit HRP antibody <https://www.cellsignal.com/products/secondary-antibodies/anti-rabbit-igg-hrp-linked-antibody/7074>
 - Anti-mouse IgG, HRP-linked Antibody <https://www.cellsignal.com/products/secondary-antibodies/anti-mouse-igg-hrp-linked-antibody/7076>
 - RASA2 – rabbit anti-human GAP1m https://www.novusbio.com/products/gap1m-antibody_nbp1-89794
 - GAPDH – mouse anti-human GAPDH <https://www.scbt.com/p/gapdh-antibody-0411?requestFrom=search>
 - goat anti-mouse IgG–HRP <https://www.scbt.com/p/goat-anti-mouse-igg-hrp?requestFrom=search>
 - goat anti-rabbit IgG–HRP <https://www.jacksonimmuno.com/catalog/products/111-036-045>

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	A375 (ATCC, CRL-1619) A375-CD19 - generated in this study T2 cells (ATCC, CRL-1992) Nalm6 expressing luciferase and GFP, varying levels of CD19 - Gift from Justin Eyquem, Nalm6 cell line originally purchased from ATCC (CRL-3273) Nalm6 expressing NY-ESO-1 - Gift from Justin Eyquem, Nalm6 cell line originally purchased from ATCC (CRL-3273) LM7 - LM7 osteosarcoma cells were kindly provided to the Krenciute lab by Dr. Eugenie Kleinerman (MD Anderson Cancer Center) in 2011. Jurkat reporter cells - Gift from Kole Roybal, Jurkat cells originally purchased from ATCC (Clone E6-1) HEK293T - Lenti-XTM 293T Cell Line (Takara Bio Cat# 632180)
Authentication	COA were provided with cell lines from ATCC and Takara Bio. Relevant antigen expression for each cell line was routinely confirmed by flow cytometry. LM7 cells were routinely validated using the ATCC STR Profiling Cell Authentication Service.
Mycoplasma contamination	The following cell lines were tested for mycoplasma: Nalm6, A375, LM7 and 293T cells were mycoplasma free as tested using either the LookOut Mycoplasma PCR Detection Kit (Sigma Aldrich, Catalog # MP0035) at UCSF or the MycoAlert Mycoplasma Detection kit (Lonza, Catalog # LT07-218 at St. Jude). The following cell lines were used for short-term assays and not tested for mycoplasma (T2, Jurkat reporter lines). Our results pertain to the performance of primary human T cells.
Commonly misidentified lines (See ICLAC register)	ICLAC registrar was assessed and no commonly misidentified lines were used.

Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals	For experiments conducted at UCSF, 8-10 week old male or female NOD/SCID/IL2Rg (NSG) mice (Mus musculus, Strain #:005557) were purchased from JAX lab. For experiments conducted at St. Jude, NOD-SCID-IL2rg-/- (NSG) mice were obtained from breeding colonies maintained by the St. Jude Animal Resource Center. For all in vivo experiments, 8-10-weeks old mice were used. Mice allocated to different experimental groups were sex-, age-, and housing-matched.
Wild animals	This study did not involve wild animals.
Field-collected samples	No field collected samples were used.
Ethics oversight	Mice were used in accordance with guidelines established by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and Laboratory Animal Resource Center at UCSF and St. Jude. Specifically, IACUC protocols used at UCSF included the UCSF Preclinical Therapeutics Core (IACUC protocol AN194778 - continuation of AN179937) and the Marson lab (AN180228-03B). IACUC protocol used at St. Jude in the

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Human research participants

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Population characteristics	Peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) from anonymous healthy human donors (male and female, no age specified) were purchased fresh from StemCell Technologies or from Vitalant. PBMCs purchased from StemCell Technologies or Vitalant are produced from both male and female donors, although specific information on donor gender was not collected for the purpose of this research. New T cell donors were ordered in on a routine basis and thus experiments used different T cell donors.
Recruitment	PBMCs were purchased from two commercial sources: StemCell Technologies and Vitalant.
Ethics oversight	PBMCs from anonymous donors were purchased from StemCell Technologies or Vitalant, which collected PBMCs from healthy donors under protocols approved by the StemCell Technologies IRB or the Vitalant IRB.

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Flow Cytometry

Plots

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- The axis labels state the marker and fluorochrome used (e.g. CD4-FITC).
- The axis scales are clearly visible. Include numbers along axes only for bottom left plot of group (a 'group' is an analysis of identical markers).
- All plots are contour plots with outliers or pseudocolor plots.
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Methodology

Sample preparation	For surface stains, up to 0.5 million T cells from culture were washed with PBS + 2% FBS (FACS Buffer), labeled in 100uL FACS Buffer containing the relevant antibodies, and incubated at 4C in the dark for 30 minutes. Samples were washed 2X in 1mL FACS Buffer before running. For intracellular stains, For phospho-flow cytometry assays, up to 0.5 million T cells cells were fixed with pre-warmed BD Phosflo Fix Buffer I (BD Biosciences, #557870) for 10 mins at 37°C. Cells were washed once with BD Pharmingen Stain Buffer (FBS) (Cat #554656). Next, the cells were permeabilized by adding BD Phosflow Perm Buffer III and incubated 4 hours to overnight at -20°C. Cells were then washed twice and incubated with antibodies for 30 mins at room temperature in the dark followed by two washes with BD Pharmingen Stain Buffer (FBS). For Intracellular cytokine staining, up to 0.5 million T cells were fixed and permeabilized with Fix & Perm Cell Permeabilization Kit (Thermo Fisher, Cat #Gas004) and incubated with fluorochrome-conjugated antibodies for 20 mins at RT in the dark. For Mitotracker probe staining, T cells were incubated in a 96 well plate at 200k cells per well in 25nM mitotracker Green FM (Cat #M7514) or Mitotracker Red CMXRos (Cat #M7512) in 100uL of warm X-Vivo media in the incubator for 30 minutes. Cells were then quenched with warm complete X-vivo media at a 1:1 volume, spun down, washed twice with warm X-vivo media, resuspended in 5% FBS/PBS, and then analyzed on the Attune flow cytometer. For all experiments, matched isotypes or known negatives (e.g. NT T cells) served as gating controls. LIVE/DEAD Fixable Aqua Dead Cell Stain Kit (Invitrogen) was used as a viability dye for some experiments.
Instrument	Attune NXT Cytometer (Invitrogen), BD FACS Canto II, and BD FACSAria 3 (sorting)
Software	FlowJo 10.7.1 and BD FACSDiva v8.
Cell population abundance	All sorts were end-point sorts and not for subsequent culture.
Gating strategy	For all data, viable lymphocytes were gated by FSC-A / SSC-A (as well as alive/dead marker for some experiments), and singlets by FSC-A / FSC-H. Positive populations were determined by the unstained as well as the stained/unstimulated samples. In co-culture experiments, T cells were defined as CD45+ cells. Gates and quadrants were defined based on FMO (fluorescence minus one) samples from the bone marrow samples. Gating strategy is shown in extended data.

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