SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS



Supplemental Figure 1: Analysis of CLL-to-RT disease burden reveals expansion of clonally related cells containing tumor subsets with distinct transcript profile

A) ScV(D)J-seq analyzing the BCR clonotype profile of CLL-phase PBMCs, RT-phase PBMCs, and RT-LN cells in one RT patient. Colored dots indicate individual cells with matching VDJ sequence, demonstrating clonal evolution from CLL to RT phase.

B) Cell type assignment of leiden clusters (1-18) from scRNA-seq of 2 RT/CLL patients as B cells, T cells, or Monocytes by marker proportion and expression levels per cluster (Figure 1A). Expression color scale is shown as the average Log10-transformed expression.

C) Representative *CD3* staining by tissue microarray in lymph node biopsies from CLL LN cases negative or weakly positive for *PRMT5* (n=70). LN tumors in both cases are intermittently populated with *CD3*+ T cells with distinct cytologic morphology from small-to-medium sized tumor blasts with *PRMT5* positivity. Visualized at 400x.

D) Representative *PRMT5* staining by tissue microarray in lymph node biopsies from 15 RT cases. All 15 RT cases demonstrated strong positivity for *PRMT5*. Visualized at 400x.

E) Clustering of all cells (row 1) and RT LN cells (row 2) stratified by patient with cells highlighted (orange: Pt1, blue: Pt2) to indicate patient contribution to the clustering coordinates.

F) RT LN cells from Pt 1 and Pt 2 highlighted for cells coexpressing (UMI counts > 0) *PRMT5*, *MYC*, and *MKI67*.

G) Leiden clustering of cells from Pt 1 and Pt 2 stratified by disease/tissue with clusters distinguished by color and number. Bolded numbers highlight cell clusters with CLL (clusters 1 & 9) or RT (clusters 3 & 11) gene expression selected for pseudobulk differential expression analysis in Figure 1H.

H) Gene set enrichment analysis of pseudobulk RT vs CLL clusters from scRNA-seq on tissues from Patient 1 (CLL-phase PBMC, RT-phase PBMC, RT-LN) and Patient 2 (CLL -phase PBMC, RT-phase PBMC, RT-LN). Normalized Enrichment Scores (NES) indicate pathways that are upregulated or downregulated in RT vs CLL. Color scale indicates the adjusted p value and the size scale indicates the number of genes mapped to the indicated pathway. All pathways shown pass the cutoff padj<0.05. Right panel displays enrichment score curves for the indicated pathways. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplemental Figure 2: CLL-like phenotype in the Eµ-PRMT5 mouse model

A) Representative peripheral blood smears from Eμ-PRMT5 (n=26) and Eμ-TCl1 (n=35) mice. Scale bar is 60 μm. May-Grünwald-Giemsa (MGG), x1,000.

B) Representative flow cytometry plots of spleen cells derived from Eµ-PRMT5 (n=5) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=3) mice at ERC. A CLL-like phenotype (*CD5*+/*CD19*+, *CD5*+/*B220*dim) is observed in Eµ-PRMT5 and Eµ-TCL1 mice, but not in WT mice.

C) CDR3 sequence abundances presented as pie-charts, reflecting clonal relation between the overall B cell populations of the spleen in Eµ-PRMT5 (n=4) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=1) mice at ERC. Top 20 most abundant CDR3 sequences are shown by mouse; shared sequences have the same color across all samples. Sequences not in the top 20 are grouped as "Others" (forest green sector).

D) Percentage of *IGVH* Mutations in the dominant clone of Eµ-PRMT5 (n=4) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=4) mice. The *IgHV* gene sequence of the dominant clone in each sample was mapped against its corresponding germline sequence. The total number of mutation events were divided by the total number of nucleotide reads to calculate the mutation percentage. *IgVH* mutation percentage below the 2% threshold is indicative of an 'unmutated *IgHV*' classification.

E) Cell type assignment of Eμ-PRMT5 and Eμ-TCL1 spleen clusters by marker proportion and expression levels per cluster. The expression color scale is shown as the average Log10-transformed expression.

F) Visualization of variation in gene expression (Log10 size factor normalized UMI counts) of select leukemogenic genes in Eµ-PRMT5 (n=5) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=4) spleen cells visualized via UMAP. The corresponding violin plots illustrate gene expression of select leukemogenic genes in splenic B-cells, with non-zero expression, stratified by genotype and shown as the Log10-transformed expression. Log2-transformed fold changes and adjusted p values were calculated from pseudobulk differential expression analysis comparing B cell expression between models.

G) Ingenuity Pathway Analysis (IPA) of the top 50 upregulated genes in clusters Eµ-PRMT5 (3.3, 3.6) and Eµ-TCL1 (3.4) enriched clusters from the spleens of Eµ-PRMT5 (n=5) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=4) mice. Color scale reflects the range of enrichment significance [-Log2(p-value)] determined via Fisher's exact t-test. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplemental Figure 3: Accelerated tumor kinetics and time to death in the Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 mouse model

A) Representative peripheral blood smears from Eμ-PRMT5/TCL1 (n=78) and Eμ-TCl1 (n=36) mice demonstrate similar overall morphology. Scale bar is 60 μm. May-Grünwald-Giemsa (MGG), x1,000.

B) Representative flow cytometry plot demonstrating large circulating cells generally presenting a $Cd19+Cd5+B220^{\text{bright}}$ immunophenotype.

C) Overall survival of Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 mice derived from founder M806 (n=11) or founder M807 (n=27) and littermate Eµ-TCL1 mice (n=20 for founder M806 and 24 for founder M807). Median survival: M806, 376 days; M807, 366 days. Mantel-Cox test [M806 p=0.0001 HR=0.88 95% CI(0.46-1.7); M807 p<0.0001 HR=0.85 95% CI(0.5-1.38)].

D) Representative flow cytometry analysis of the peripheral blood and spleen from Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 mice at 3 months (n=4) and 6 months (n=4) of age compared with Eµ-TCL1 mice at 3 months (n=3) and 6 months (n=2) of age. Staining for markers including Cd11b and CD3 indicate myeloid and T cell populations. 'CLL-like' *CD19*+/*CD5*+ population is identified from [*CD11b*-/*CD3*-] population, and is more pronounced in Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 mice at 6 months of age.

E) Bar chart showing incidence of B cell germinal center hyperplasia in the spleen and lymph node of E μ -PRMT5/TCL1 (P/T) and E μ -TCL1 (T) mice at 3 and 6 months of age. P/T: 3 months n=4, 6 months n=4; T mice: 3 months n=3, 6 months n=2. * indicates no hyperplasia was observed due to all analyzed mice showing progression to effacement of lymphoid architecture.

F) Bar chart showing the incidence of effacement of lymphoid architecture in spleen and lymph node of Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (P/T) and Eµ-TCL1 (T) mice from **E**.

G) Gene set enrichment analysis of key pathways dysregulated in 6-month-old Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 mouse splenic B cells compared with each 3-month-old Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 and Eµ-TCL1 mice at 3 and 6 months of age as determined via bulk RNA-sequencing. Size and color of each marker indicate the number of genes in the gene set and adjusted p-value, respectively. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplemental Figure 4: CLL-like phenotype in the Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 mouse model

A) Representative flow cytometry plots showing immunophenotypic analysis of cell populations isolated from spleens of Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (n=3), Eµ-TCL1 (n=2), and wild type (WT) mice upon reaching predefined removal criteria (ERC).

B) Splenic B cell CDR3 sequence abundances in Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (n=3) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=1) mice at ERC. Top 20 most abundant CDR3 sequences are shown by mouse; shared sequences have the same color across all samples. Sequences not in the top 20 are grouped as "Others" (<2.2% for all pie-charts, forest green).

C) B cell receptor variable gene usage in splenic CLL-like cells from Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 and Eµ-TCL1 mice from **B** evaluated via RNA-seq. Colors indicate BCR gene usage.

D) Percentage of *IGVH* Mutations in the dominant clone from Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (n=3) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=4) mice. The *IGHV* gene sequence of the dominant clone in each sample was mapped against its corresponding germline sequence. The total number of mutation events were divided by the total number of nucleotide reads to calculate the mutation percentage. *IgVH* mutation percentage below the 2% threshold is indicative of an 'unmutated *IgHV*' classification.

E) Cell type assignment of Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 and Eµ-TCL1 spleen clusters by marker proportion and expression levels per cluster. The expression color scale is shown as the average Log10-transformed expression.

F) UMAP projection of scRNA-seq analysis representing gene expression in Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (n=4) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=4) mouse spleen cells. Pink cells indicate 'CLL-like" cells with co-expression of Cd19+ and Cd5+ (UMI counts > 0).

G) UMAP projection of scRNA-seq analysis representing gene expression in Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (n=4) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=4) mouse spleen cells. Variation in *Cd93* and *II-4* expression is shown. The corresponding violin plots illustrate gene expression in splenic B-cells, with non-zero expression, stratified by genotype and shown as the Log10-transformed expression. Log2-transformed fold changes and adjusted p values were calculated from pseudobulk differential expression analysis comparing B cell expression between models.

H) Ingenuity pathway analysis of the top 50 enriched genes in cluster 5.6 from K-means clustering of Eμ-PRMT5/TCL1 and Eμ-TCL1 spleen cells. Color scale reflects the range of enrichment significance [-Log2(pvalue)] determined via Fisher's exact t-test. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplemental Figure 5: scRNA-seq reveals differential tumor transcriptome in lymph node tissue from Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 and Eµ-TCL1 mouse models

A) ScRNA-seq analysis of lymph node cells in Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (n=4) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=3) mice, visualized via UMAP and clustered according to K-means (n=10). B cell (*Cd19+*, *Ms4a1+*, *Cd79a+*), T cell (*Cd3+*, *Cd4+*, *Cd8+*), Mono: Monocyte (*Cd14+*, *Itgam+*), and Neutrophil (*Cd177+*, *Itgam+*) clusters were assigned as indicated in **B**. Cell density is calculated as the 2d kernel density estimate mapped to color scale.

B) Cell type assignment of Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 and Eµ-TCL1 lymph node clusters by marker proportion and expression levels per cluster. The expression color scale is shown as the average Log10-transformed expression.

C) UMAP projection of scRNA-seq analysis representing gene expression in Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (n=4) and Eµ-TCL1 (n=3) mouse lymph node cells. Pink cells indicate 'CLL-like" cells with co-expression of *Cd19*+ and *Cd5*+ (UMI counts > 0 for *Cd19* and *Cd5*).

D) Visualization of variation in gene expression (Log10 size factor normalized UMI counts) of select leukemogenic genes in Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 and Eµ-TCL1 lymph node B cells from mice in **A** visualized via UMAP. The corresponding violin plots illustrate gene expression in nodal B-cells, with non-zero expression, stratified by genotype and shown as the Log10-transformed expression. Log2-transformed fold changes and adjusted adjusted p values were calculated from pseudobulk differential expression analysis comparing B cell expression between models.

E) Heatmaps depicting the top 50 cluster specific genes expressed in lymph node B cell clusters enriched in Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (LN.2, LN.7) and Eµ-TCL1 (LN.4) mice. Gene expression across 143 genes is shown as the average Log10-transformed expression in nodal B cell clusters. Genes associated with leukemia and lymphoma are highlighted.

F) Ingenuity pathway analysis of the top 50 cluster specific genes in Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 (LN.2, LN.7) and Eµ-TCL1 (LN.4) enriched lymph node clusters. Color scale reflects the range of enrichment significance [-Log2(p-value)] determined via Fisher's exact t-test. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplemental Figure 6: *In vitro* and *in vivo* efficacy of targeted PRMT5 inhibition in CLL and CLLlike cells

A) Representative immunoblot (n=3) demonstrating dose dependent global loss of symmetric methylation dimethyl arginine residues (SDMA) in HG3 CLL cells treated with EPZ015666 for 72hr.

B) Dose-dependent decrease in proliferation, measured via MTS assay, for primary *IGVH*-U CLL cells (n=12 patients) upon 72 hr PRMT5 inhibition with increasing doses of PRT382 with and without TLR9 stimulation using 21.7 µg/mL synthetic CpG oligodeoxynucleotide. Indicated doses of PRT382 were given to cells once at initiation of this study. Circles represent individual patients. Boxplot elements reflect 25th–75th percentiles, center line reflects the median value, and whiskers reflect minimum–maximum values.

C) Viable Cd19⁺Cd5⁺ cells (5 × 10⁶) from the spleen of an Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 transgenic mouse with active CLL-like leukemia (>80% circulating in peripheral blood) and palpable splenomegaly were engrafted by tail vein into immunocompetent C57/BL6J mice. Engrafted mice were followed weekly for development of disease burden in the peripheral blood using weekly flow cytometry for percentage of Cd5⁺Cd19⁺B220^{dim} cells. Progression of Cd19⁺B220^{dim} cells in recipient mice is plotted ±SD.

D) Engrafted mice were followed for overall survival measured by days post engraftment and visualized via Kaplan-Meier plot. Left untreated, engrafted mice succumbed to the expanding leukemia/lymphoma with a median overall survival of 67 days (range 66-75 days).

E) Representative tumor H&E histology evaluation in spleen, lung, and liver of mice engrafted with Eµ-PRMT5/Eµ-TCL1 splenic CLL-like cells (n=6). Tumor histology was similar to that of the transgenic Eµ-PRMT5/TCL1 mice. Tissues were collected upon reaching predefined removal criteria. All photographs were taken using an Olympus SC30 camera with an Olympus BX53 microscope. Scale bars as indicated.

F) Engrafted mice from (**C**) were randomly assigned to treatment conditions: PRT382 10 mg/kg, EPZ015666 50 mg/kg, or vehicle (0.5% methylcellulose, 0.1% tween) at 1 week post engraftment. All treatments were administered by oral gavage 4 contiguous days per week (Mon-Thurs). Splenic weight (g) was measured at the time mice met criteria for euthanasia. Bars indicate average ±SD for each treatment group. PRT382 vs vehicle p=0.0062; PRT382 vs EPZ015666 p=0.0077 (2-tailed paired t test). Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplemental Figure 7: BRD4 occupying promoter region reveals role in PRMT5 expression

A) Circos diagram representing trans interactions with the PRMT5 promoter region identified via 4C-seq in the HG3 CLL cell line.

B) Chromatin interactions anchored at the PRMT5 locus (shaded red) determined by 4C-seq. The 4C-seq profile (RPM normalized) shows promoter interactions with multiple regions around the PRMT5 locus (black lines). Below, ChIP-seq analysis demonstrating H3K27Ac and BRD4 binding to this locus upon vehicle, CpG, or PLX51107 treatment (red box). Right, expanded representation of ChIP-seq binding of H3K27Ac and BRD4 in all treatment groups. BRD4 occupancy is lost upon PLX51107 treatment.

C) Reduced PRMT5 mRNA (n=8 patients) and protein expression (n=5 patients) in CLL cells upon 72h 10 μ M PLX51107 treatment. CLL cells were stimulated with 21.7 μ g/mL synthetic CpG. mRNA expression visualized as normalized expression (2^{- $\Delta\Delta$ CT}) in box & whisker plot Boxplot elements reflect 25th–75th percentiles, center line reflects the median value, whiskers reflect minimum–maximum values, 2-tailed unpaired t test). Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplemental Figure 8: ¹H NMR spectrum for compound PRT382

A) HNMR: 1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6) δ 8.13 (s, 1H), 7.68 – 7.53 (m, 3H), 7.38 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 6.04 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (dd, J = 7.6, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (dd, J = 5.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (dd, J = 5.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H). 1HNMR was carried out at ambient temperature.



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	Calculated	Reported		
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Crystal data for PRT382

Compound	
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Formula	C2H6O1
Mr	487.33
Crystal	
System	monoclinic
Space group	C2
a, b, c (Å)	25.6495 (5)
	6.9352 (1)
	15.3927 (3)
β (°)	125.540 (1)
V (Å ³)	2228.04 (7)
<i>Dc</i> (g cm ⁻³)	1.453
μ (mm ⁻¹)	3.018
<i>R</i> ₁ (l>2σ(l))	0.0297
wR₂ (all	
data)	0.0911
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Supplemental Figure 9: Structure of PRT382 elucidated from single crystal x-ray data

- A) Chirality for carbons as shown. Atoms indicated by color: C, black; O, blue; Cl, green.
- **B**) Tabulated crystal data for compound PRT382.
- **C**) CheckCIF report for compound PRT382.



Supplemental Figure 10: LCMS report for compound PRT382

A) LCMS (m/z): [M]+ calculated for C18H18Cl2N4O5, 441.3; found, 443.3.

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Supplemental Figure 11: HPLC report for compound PRT382

A) PRT382 HPLC Chromatogram.