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SUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT DES GLIOMES**

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Résumé

Le rôle des macrophages dans le développement des gliomes, des tumeurs attaquant le système nerveux central, est controversé. Nous avons étudié le développement des gliomes chez des souris transgéniques permettant la déplétion spécifique des macrophages par l'administration d'un pro-médicament. Nos résultats indiquent qu'une réduction de la densité de macrophages augmente la croissance tumorale. Selon le modèle, leur activité est apparue dépendante ou non du recrutement des lymphocytes T. Nous avons ensuite émis l'hypothèse que les anti-inflammatoires pourraient favoriser le développement des gliomes. Au contraire, nous avons observé que l'administration de dexaméthasone à des souris implantées avec des cellules gliomales diminuait la progression des tumeurs. Nous avons établi que cet agent affectait le profil d'expression génique des cellules endothéliales en diminuant notamment l'expression de l'angiopoiétine-2, un facteur pro-angiogénique. L'utilisation d'un anticorps synthétique inhibant l'Angpt2 est apparue plus efficace que la dexaméthasone pour réduire la croissance des gliomes. Les inhibiteurs de l'Angpt-2 pourraient donc représenter des outils intéressants pour le traitement des gliomes.

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ACTH	Hormone adrénocorticotropique
ADN	Acide désoxyribonucléique
Angpt	Angiopoiétine
CPA	Cellule présentatrice d'antigène
BHE	Barrière hémato-encéphalique
Casp	Caspase
CCR	Récepteur de chimiokines C-C
CD	Cluster of differentiation
CMH	Complexe majeur d'histocompatibilité
COX2	Cyclooxygénase 2
CRF	Corticolibérine
CVO	Organe circumventriculaire
CSF-1	Colony-stimulating factor 1
DC	Cellule dendritique
DD	Death domain
DISC	Death inducing signaling complex
dNTP	Désoxyribonucléotide triphosphate
EGF	Epidermal growth factor
FADD	Fas-associated death domain
FasL	Fas ligand
FGF	Fibroblast growth factor
α-GalCer	α -galactosylceramide
GCV	Gancyclovir
GFAP	Glial fibrillary acidic protein
H₂O₂	Peroxyde d'hydrogène
HGF	Hepatocyte growth factor
HIF-1	Hypoxia inducible factor 1
HPA	Axe hypothalamo-hypophysaire
HSP	Protéine de choc thermique
HSV-1	Virus de l'Herpes simplex type 1
ICAM	Intercellular adhesion molecule

IFN	Interféron
IL	Interleukine
IL-1R	Récepteur de l'interleukine-1
IRAK	Interleukin-1 receptor-associated kinase
KO	Knock out
LCR	Liquide céphalo-rachidien
LFA-1	Lymphocyte-function associated antigen
MCP-1	Monocyte chemoattractant protein 1
mdr	Multidrug resistance
MEC	Matrice extra-cellulaire
MMP	Matrix metalloproteinase
Myd88	Myeloid differentiation primary response gene 88
NF-κB	Nuclear factor κ B
NK	Natural killer cell
NKT	Natural killer T cell
NO	Oxyde nitrique
OMS	Organisation mondiale de la santé
PGE₂	Prostaglandine E ₂
PRR	Pattern recognition receptor
RANTES	Regulation on activation normal T-cell expressed and secreted
ROI	Espèces réactives de l'oxygène
SNC	Système nerveux central
SODD	Silencer of death domain
TIL	Tumor infiltrating lymphocytes
TGF	Transforming growth factor
TK	Thymidine kinase
TLR	Toll-like receptor
TNF	Tumor necrosis factor
TRADD	Tumor necrosis factor receptor associated death domain
TRAF	Tumor necrosis factor receptor factor
Treg	cellule T régulatrice
VCAM	Vascular cell adhesion molecule
VEGF	Vascular endothelial growth factor

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Introduction

1.1 Problématique

Les tumeurs attaquant le système nerveux central (SNC) constituent un problème de santé important. Jusqu'à l'âge de 40 ans, ce type de tumeur représente une des principales causes de décès reliés au cancer [1]. Les glioblastomes, la forme la plus sévère, sont incurables malgré des traitements agressifs tels que la chirurgie, la radiothérapie et la chimiothérapie. Une des alternatives envisageables pour palier à cet échec est l'immunothérapie. Cette approche consiste à utiliser les mécanismes de défenses spécifiques de l'hôte pour combattre la tumeur. Pour parvenir à utiliser efficacement ce principe, il est nécessaire de mieux comprendre les mécanismes fondamentaux de la réponse immunitaire anti-tumorale. Les macrophages jouent un rôle controversé dans ce processus. Comme nous le verrons plus loin, ces cellules peuvent détruire les cellules tumorales en produisant, entre autre, des intermédiaires réactifs de l'oxygène (ROIs). Toutefois, les macrophages peuvent aussi favoriser le développement des cellules tumorales en sécrétant des facteurs pro-angiogéniques et des métalloprotéinases. Par ailleurs, tous les patients atteints d'un gliome sont traités avec de la dexaméthasone, un puissant anti-inflammatoire réduisant l'oedème cérébral. Le mécanisme conduisant à cet effet est méconnu et la dexaméthasone engendre de nombreux effets secondaires. En outre, elle pourrait inhiber les mécanismes anti-tumoraux endogènes (entre autre ceux des macrophages) et contrer l'efficacité de l'immunothérapie. Il serait donc avantageux d'éclaircir son mécanisme d'action afin d'identifier des cibles thérapeutiques plus spécifiques épargnant la réponse immunitaire.

1.2 Les tumeurs du SNC

1.2.1 Origine, classification et incidence

L'origine cellulaire des tumeurs cérébrales ne peut être établie précisément et leur classification est donc complexe. Les cellules tumorales retrouvées dans le système nerveux central (SNC) se caractérisent, entre autre, par l'expression de marqueurs spécifiques aux cellules matures normales en conjonction avec des molécules normalement retrouvées uniquement sur des cellules immatures. Aussi, elles présentent généralement une morphologie spécifique. À titre d'exemple, les cellules d'astrocytomes, des tumeurs dérivées des astrocytes, expriment parfois le *glial fibrillary acidic protein* (GFAP), une protéine retrouvée dans le cytosquelette des astrocytes matures. Toutefois, les cellules d'astrocytomes ne présentent pas des ramifications aussi élaborées que les astrocytes matures [2, 3]. Il existe deux principales hypothèses pour expliquer l'origine des cellules néoplasiques. D'une part, elles pourraient être le résultat de la prolifération incontrôlée de cellules matures qui se sont dé-différenciées [3]. Alternativement, un nombre croissant d'études tend à démontrer qu'elles pourraient dériver directement de cellules progénitrices ayant perdu la capacité de répondre normalement aux signaux de différenciation [4-7]. La classification la plus courante des tumeurs du SNC est celle proposée par l'organisation mondiale de la santé (OMS) [8]. Elles sont nommées en fonction du type cellulaire démontrant le plus de similitudes. Cette nomenclature est jumelée à une valeur de I à IV définissant l'agressivité de la tumeur; les tumeurs bénignes sont associées au niveau I et les plus malignes au niveau IV. Plus de 120 tumeurs cérébrales sont ainsi répertoriées selon qu'elles soient associées principalement aux lignées astrogiales, oligodendrogiales, épendymales ou neuronales [3]. Elles peuvent de plus constituer des métastases de tumeurs situées en périphérie du SNC. Le tableau 1 présente une version abrégée de la liste élaborée par l'OMS.

Tableau 1. Classification des tumeurs cérébrales.

A, Version abrégée de la liste de l'OMS [8, 9]. **B**, Classification détaillée des astrocytomes avec leur niveau de malignité [10].

A

Tumors of neuroepithelial tissue
Astrocytic tumors
Astrocytoma
Anaplastic astrocytoma
Glioblastoma multiforme
Pilocytic astrocytoma
Pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma
Subependymal giant-cell astrocytoma
Oligodendroglial tumors
Oligodendroglioma
Anaplastic oligodendroglioma
Mixed gliomas
Oligoastrocytoma
Anaplastic oligoastrocytoma
Ependymal tumors
Ependymoma
Anaplastic ependymoma
Myxopapillary ependymoma
Subependymoma
Choroid plexus tumors
Choroid-plexus papilloma
Choroid-plexus carcinoma
Neuronal and mixed neuronal-glia tumors
Gangliocytoma
Dysembryoplastic neuroepithelial tumor
Ganglioglioma
Anaplastic ganglioglioma
Central neurocytoma
Pineal parenchymal tumors
Pineocytoma
Pineoblastoma
Embryonal tumors
Medulloblastoma
Primitive neuroectodermal tumor
Meningeal tumors
Meningioma
Hemangiopericytoma
Melanocytic tumor
Hemangioblastoma
Primary central nervous system lymphomas
Germ-cell tumors
Germinoma
Embryonal carcinoma
Yolk-sac tumor (endodermal-sinus tumor)
Choriocarcinoma
Teratoma
Mixed-germ-cell tumors
Tumors of the sellar region
Pituitary adenoma
Pituitary carcinoma
Craniopharyngioma
Metastatic tumors

B

Astrocytic tumors	WHO Grade
Diffuse astrocytomas	II
Fibrillary	
Protoplasmic	
Gemistocytic	
Anaplastic astrocytomas	III
Glioblastoma	IV
Giant cell glioblastoma	
Gliosarcoma	
Pilocytic astrocytoma	I
Pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma	I-III
Subependymal giant cell astrocytoma	I

Les tumeurs du SNC ne sont pas particulièrement fréquentes représentant 1.4 % de tous les cancers. Néanmoins, lorsque l'on considère leur contribution au taux de décès associé à cette maladie, le pourcentage double [11]. Les tumeurs dérivées des cellules gliales, ou gliomes, sont les plus courantes et comptent pour 40% de toutes les tumeurs diagnostiquées dans le cerveau. Ce pourcentage augmente à 60% si l'on considère seulement les tumeurs primaires [11]. Il existe plusieurs types de gliomes de niveaux d'agressivités variables, cependant plus de 80% d'entre eux s'avèrent malins et sont associés au niveau IV de l'échelle de l'OMS [9]. Ces derniers, nommés glioblastomes, constituent probablement les tumeurs pour lesquelles le pronostic est le plus pessimiste [12]. La survie des individus atteints dépasse rarement un an malgré les thérapies existantes [13]. Leur incidence est maximale chez les individus âgés de 65 à 74 ans [11]. Toutefois, ce sont les enfants qui sont le plus touchés. Jusqu'à l'âge de 20 ans, les tumeurs du SNC sont la forme de cancer la plus fréquente [11] représentant aussi la principale cause de décès reliée au cancer après la leucémie. Chez les individus âgés de 20 à 39 ans elles occupent la troisième place [1]. Les études démontrent également que les hommes sont plus susceptibles que les femmes de développer ce genre de tumeur. Une étude réalisée dans l'état de New-York a établi que l'écart entre les sexes apparaît vers l'âge de la puberté pour s'amenuiser à la ménopause, ce qui suggère un rôle protecteur des hormones féminines [14].

1.2.2 Caractéristiques des glioblastomes

Les glioblastomes se distinguent des tumeurs bénignes d'origine gliale par la présence de zones de nécroses, leur grande capacité d'invasion résultant de la production d'enzymes dégradant la matrice extracellulaire (MEC) et finalement, la formation de nouveaux vaisseaux sanguins (ou la prolifération vasculaire), phénomène nommé angiogénèse. Toutes ces caractéristiques sont intimement reliées du point de vue moléculaire. Le modèle le plus accepté pour expliquer le développement de ces tumeurs comporte 5 phases : l'apparition des premières cellules tumorales, leur organisation en périphérie des vaisseaux sanguins, leur prolifération, la dégénérescence des vaisseaux sanguins, et finalement, la création de zones nécrotiques et hypoxiques favorisant l'angiogénèse (Figure 1) [15]. Tout au long de ce processus les cellules tumorales

envahissent le tissu normal en migrant le long des vaisseaux sanguins. Ainsi, le développement tumoral est non seulement le résultat de la prolifération des cellules, mais aussi celui de l'évasion des cellules qui s'éloignent du foyer initial.

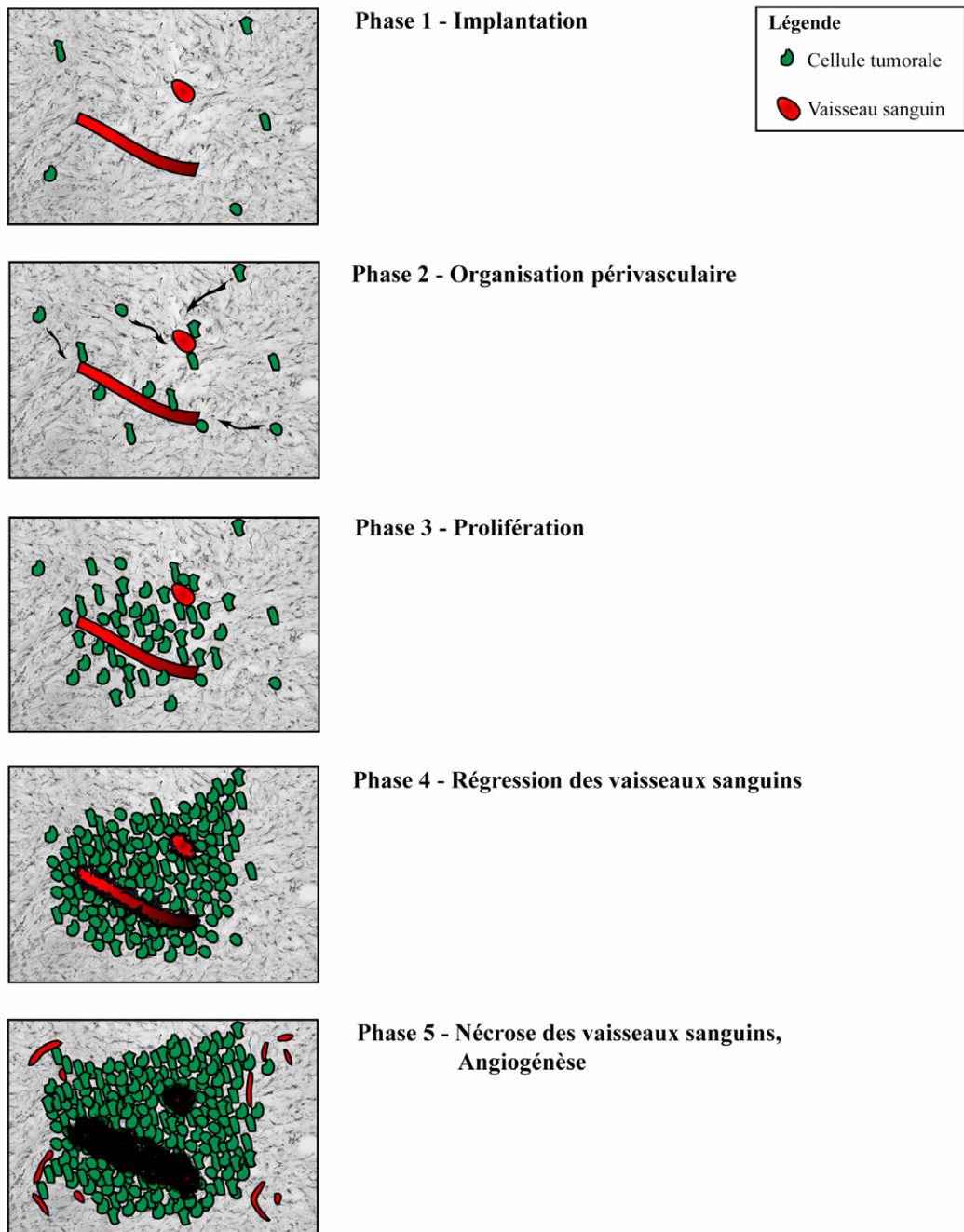


Figure 1. Les cinq phases du développement des glioblastomes.

Contrairement à d'autres types de tumeurs, la croissance des glioblastomes ne débute pas par une phase avasculaire [16, 17]. Dès le commencement du processus, les cellules tumorales tendent à s'établir en périphérie des vaisseaux sanguins existants. L'augmentation du nombre de cellules tumorales laisse apparaître une région présentant des vaisseaux hyperplasiques dont la densité semble diminuée comparativement au tissu sain [17]. Éventuellement, les cellules forment une véritable palissade entourant les vaisseaux. Cette forme de «parasitisme» entraîne une déstabilisation de la paroi des vaisseaux sanguins en association avec l'apoptose des cellules endothéliales. Les angiopoïétines, une famille de protéines connue pour jouer un rôle clé dans l'angiogénèse, seraient impliquées dans cet effet. L'augmentation de l'expression de l'*angiopoïétine-2* (Angpt2) favorise la déstabilisation des vaisseaux sanguins en inhibant l'activité consolidatrice de l'*angiopoïétine-1* (Angpt1) [18, 19]. La circulation sanguine ainsi compromise affecte l'acheminement de l'oxygène et entraîne la formation de foyers nécrotiques. Ces zones hypoxiques contribuent à l'induction de facteurs de transcriptions spécifiques à cette condition comme le *hypoxia inducible factor-1* (HIF-1) [20-22]. Celui-ci contribue à l'augmentation de l'expression de plusieurs gènes dont celui du *vascular endothelial growth factor* (VEGF), un facteur pro-angiogénique ayant un effet mitotique sur les cellules endothéliales et favorisant la perméabilité des vaisseaux sanguins [23, 24]. L'action du VEGF, jumelée au pouvoir déstabilisateur de l'Angpt2, permet donc le développement de nouveaux vaisseaux sanguins. La grande capacité invasive des glioblastomes n'est pas étrangère à ces phénomènes. Il a été démontré que l'Angpt2 joue un rôle dans l'activation de l'expression de la *matrix-metalloproteinase-2* (MMP-2) [25]. Cette protéine, surexprimée dans les gliomes, contribue à l'invasion des cellules tumorales en dégradant la matrice extracellulaire [26, 27]. L'analyse de l'expression de l'Angpt2 dans des gliomes humains a révélé que son expression était localisée exclusivement dans les régions invasives et absentes des zones centrales. De même, l'expression de la MMP-2 était plus importante dans ces régions invasives [28]. Toutefois, nous verrons que dans notre modèle murin l'expression de l'Angpt2 était observable de façon uniforme dans toute la tumeur et nous n'avons pu démontrer de relation avec l'expression de la MMP-2 *in vivo*.

1.2.3 Traitements

Malgré les efforts investis en recherche et le développement de nouvelles thérapies expérimentales, les glioblastomes demeurent pour l'instant incurables. Les patients reçoivent des traitements courants comprenant la chirurgie, la radiothérapie et la chimiothérapie. Cependant, ces traitements sont administrés à titre palliatif seulement afin de prolonger la survie des individus atteints avec la meilleure qualité de vie possible [13, 29].

La première intervention envisageable est la chirurgie. Une résection du maximum de la masse tumorale est pratiquée en évitant toutefois d'affecter le tissu sain adjacent. De cette façon une amélioration notable et rapide des fonctions neurologiques du patient peut être obtenue [30]. L'effet sur le prolongement de la survie n'a toutefois pas encore été formellement établi [31]. Malheureusement, les propriétés invasives de la tumeur rendent son ablation entière impossible; ainsi de nouveaux foyers de prolifération de cellules tumorales peuvent donc ressurgir. La présence d'œdème dans le cerveau des patients rend également l'opération particulièrement risquée. L'œdème cérébral est une complication résultant de l'accumulation de fluides dans le cerveau à cause de l'affaiblissement de la barrière hémato-encéphalique (BHE), ce qui engendre une augmentation de la pression intra-crânienne. Pour contrer ce phénomène, de la dexaméthasone est souvent administrée aux patients [32, 33]. Il s'agit d'un glucocorticoïde synthétique ayant des effets anti-inflammatoires. Le mécanisme permettant de réduire l'œdème est méconnu, mais conduirait à la diminution de la perméabilité vasculaire ou à l'augmentation de l'évacuation des fluides. Il a été rapporté que la dexaméthasone pouvait contribuer à réduire l'expression du *vascular endothelial growth factor a* (VEGF-a), une molécule initialement identifiée comme le *vascular permeability factor* (VPF) [34, 35]. Cependant, les résultats de nos études *in vivo* ne supportent pas cette hypothèse. L'utilisation de cet agent ne doit pas être prolongée puisque de nombreux effets secondaires lui sont associés, notamment la perte de poids et le développement d'infections opportunistes [36].

Le plus souvent, une radiothérapie est prescrite en phase post-opératoire. Ce traitement est, d'après les études, celui permettant d'obtenir l'augmentation la plus significative de la survie des patients [37]. Ce type de rayonnement s'attaque uniquement aux cellules en division et est d'autant plus spécifique que la majorité des cellules du SNC ne prolifèrent peu ou pas. Par contre, l'hypoxie, une caractéristique des glioblastomes, affecte l'efficacité de cette thérapie. En effet, l'oxygène contribue normalement à médier les effets de ces rayons [38]. La surexpression de protéines anti-apoptotiques et la préservation de mécanismes efficace de réparation de l'ADN sont d'autres facteurs pouvant affaiblir les bénéfices liés à ce traitement.

L'administration d'une chimiothérapie parallèlement à la radiothérapie permettrait d'augmenter les bienfaits de ce traitement [39]. Cependant, les bénéfices de la chimiothérapie, à elle seule, sont controversés [40, 41]. En effet, la localisation et la nature des gliomes les rendent aptes à résister à ces traitements. La BHE constitue un premier obstacle pour la plupart des molécules utilisées en chimiothérapie [42]. De plus, bien que la tumeur soit drainée par un riche réseau de vaisseaux sanguins, ceux-ci présentent une morphologie altérée et ne peuvent ainsi assurer une perfusion adéquate de la tumeur [43]. L'administration efficace de médicaments est donc compromise puisqu'il est difficile d'obtenir des concentrations optimales au site d'action. L'implantation de polymères imprégnés d'agents antinéoplasiques directement dans le lit de la tumeur lors de l'ablation permet une administration plus efficace et ciblée des traitements [44-46]. Par ailleurs, l'évolution rapide des glioblastomes favorise le développement d'une grande diversité cellulaire, résultant de l'accumulation de nombreuses mutations génétiques. L'administration d'une chimiothérapie peut donc engendrer une pression permettant la sélection de clones de cellules tumorales résistants aux traitements. Les mécanismes impliqués sont similaires à ceux associés à la radiothérapie. Les cellules présentent souvent une augmentation de l'expression de gènes encodant des facteurs anti-apoptotiques jumelée à une diminution des facteurs pro-apoptotiques. Certaines cellules sont aussi connues pour exprimer des protéines de transport membranaire, telle que la P-glycoprotéine encodée par le gène *multidrug resistance gene* (mdr), qui permettent l'élimination de drogues [47].

De toute évidence, le traitement des glioblastomes représente un défi considérable. Plusieurs thérapies innovatrices, telles que la thérapie génique, sont présentement en phase d'essais cliniques, mais pour l'instant peu d'entre elles semblent réellement prometteuses [48, 49]. Une alternative imaginée il y a de nombreuses années propose d'utiliser le système immunitaire pour combattre le développement des tumeurs. Après être tombée dans l'oubli, cette avenue est aujourd'hui plus que jamais explorée. Les glioblastomes pourraient constituer une cible spécialement attrayante pour ce type de traitements puisqu'ils sont abondamment infiltrés par des macrophages et des lymphocytes T.

1.3 Immunologie tumorale

1.3.1 Historique

La découverte de l'immunologie tumorale est généralement attribuée à William Coley, un chirurgien américain de la fin du 19^e siècle. Ce dernier avait constaté que des patients atteints d'une tumeur se voyaient presque miraculeusement rétablis lorsqu'ils étaient victime d'une infection nosocomiale [50]. Par la suite, Paul Ehrlich postula au début des années 1900 que les cellules tumorales devaient exprimer des structures antigéniques pouvant être reconnues par le système immunitaire par l'intermédiaire du « magic bullet », identifié plus tard comme les anticorps [51]. Ce système de défense permettait, selon lui, d'expliquer la faible émergence de cellules tumorales. Dans les années 70, Sir MacFarlane Burnet et Lewis Thomas ont officiellement formulé la théorie d'immunosurveillance [52]. Dans les années qui ont suivi, l'engouement pour l'immunologie tumorale s'est dissipé, en partie parce que des expériences menées sur des souris athymiques démontraient qu'elles ne présentaient pas une plus forte propension à développer des tumeurs [53]. Toutefois, ces souris n'étaient pas complètement dépourvues de réponse immunitaire. Thierry Boon, en 1980, apporta un support considérable à la théorie de l'immunologie tumorale. Il établit que l'inoculation à des souris de cellules tumorales manipulées pour ne plus être tumorigènes empêchait le développement d'une tumeur lorsque ces mêmes souris étaient subséquemment inoculées avec des cellules tumorales sauvages [54].

Le système immunitaire agit donc comme un formidable système de défense non seulement contre les agressions extérieures, mais aussi contre des cellules endogènes qui se sont transformées, telles que les cellules tumorales. Lorsque des événements comme ceux-ci surviennent, une réponse complexe finement régulée s'organise. Cette réponse comprend deux phases successives et complémentaires: l'immunité innée et l'immunité acquise [55, 56]. Les macrophages constituent un médiateur important de l'immunité innée. Ils reconnaissent les cellules étrangères de façon non spécifique pour les détruire [57]. À plus long terme, la présentation d'antigènes par des cellules spécialisées, notamment les cellules dendritiques, permet l'activation des lymphocytes T, principaux effecteurs de la réponse acquise, qui reconnaîtront spécifiquement les pathogènes ou les cellules tumorales.

1.3.2 Mécanismes anti-tumoraux

1.3.2.1 L'immunité innée

Il est bien connu que les macrophages expriment des récepteurs permettant la reconnaissance de structures conservées chez les microbes et absentes de l'hôte. Ces récepteurs se regroupent sous une grande famille nommée *pattern recognition receptor* (PRR)[58-60]. L'expression de molécules dont la structure est altérée ou dont la localisation est modifiée permet la reconnaissance des cellules tumorales par ces mêmes récepteurs. Les *Toll like receptors* (TLR) représentent une importante catégorie de PRRs regroupant plus de 11 membres [61, 62]. La découverte de ligands endogènes pour ces récepteurs est relativement récente et ils ne sont donc pas encore exhaustivement définis. Les protéines de choc thermique (HSP) en constituent un bon exemple. Ces protéines sont présentes de façon ubiquitaire dans le cytoplasme des cellules. Par contre, une variété de stimuli, dont la transformation maligne de cellules, peut provoquer une augmentation de leur expression et même causer leur translocation à la surface de la membrane cytoplasmique [63-65]. Elles sont alors identifiables par les TLRs. D'autres couples de récepteurs/ligands sont connus pour pouvoir jouer un rôle dans cette reconnaissance et sont présentés dans le tableau 2 [66-69].

Tableau 2. Quelques exemples de couples récepteurs/ligands impliqués dans la reconnaissance des cellules tumorales par les macrophages.

Ligands	Récepteurs
HSP-60	TLR-2/4
HSP-70	TLR-2/4
Fragments d'acide hyaluronique (HA)	TLR-4
Fragments d'héparan sulfate	TLR-4
Phosphatidylsérine (PS) externalisée	PS-specific receptor
Molécules anormalement glycosylées	Lectines

La liaison des TLRs à leurs ligands engendre une signalisation semblable à celle du récepteur de l'*interleukine-1* (IL-1R) puisqu'ils appartiennent à la même famille. La protéine adaptatrice Myd88 se lie au domaine IL-1R du TLR et recrute ainsi IRAK et TRAF6 qui peut mener à l'activation de différents facteurs de transcription tel que NF- κ B [70, 71]. Cette signalisation permet d'augmenter l'expression de cytokines pro-inflammatoires (TNF- α , IL-1 β , IL-6, IL-12), de chimiokines (MCP-1, RANTES) et de molécules d'adhésion (ICAM, VCAM) [56, 72]. La production de ces molécules permet le recrutement d'autres médiateurs de l'immunité innée au site de la tumeur. Par exemple, la liaison de l'IL-1 β à son récepteur IL1-R1 sur les cellules endothéliales engendre l'expression de MCP-1 via NF- κ B. À son tour MCP-1 se lie à son récepteur CCR-2 à la surface des monocytes ce qui stimule la synthèse d'intégrines et augmente leur état d'activation. Ces molécules interagissent alors avec les molécules d'adhésion des cellules endothéliales et permettent le passage des monocytes au site de la tumeur ou d'un autre dommage. Ce phénomène est nommé extravasation. Les cellules tumorales elles-mêmes peuvent participer au recrutement des cellules inflammatoires en produisant des chimiokines comme MCP-1 et CSF-1[73-77].

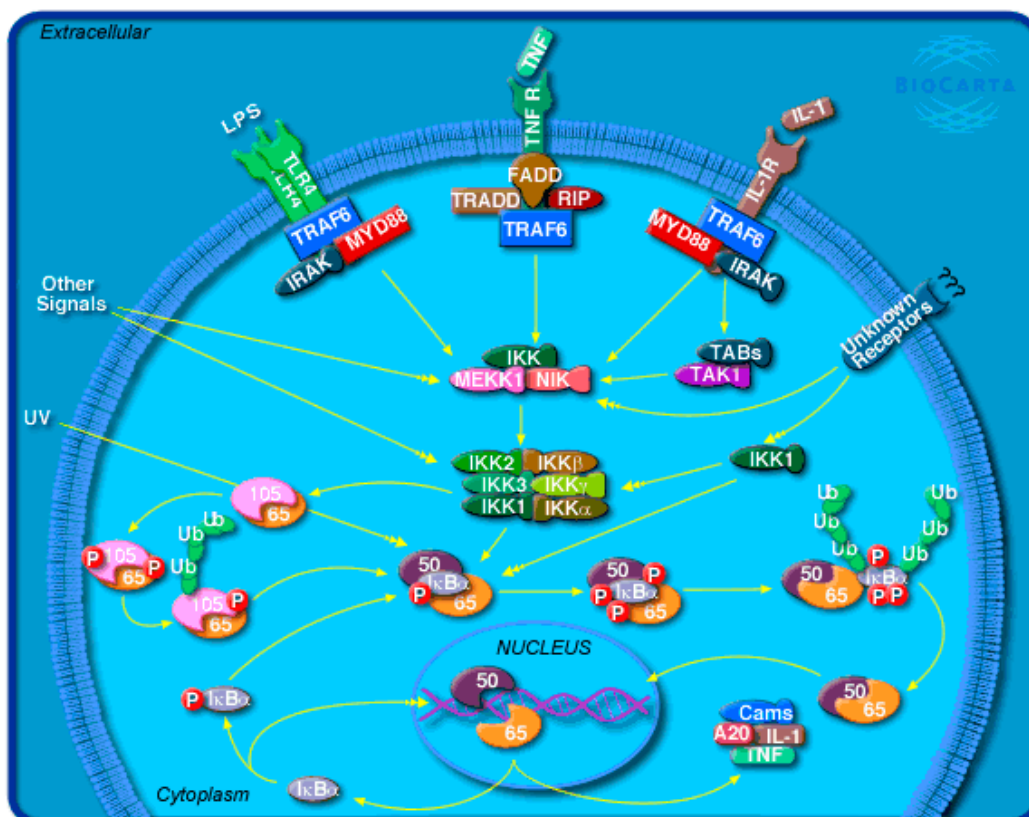


Figure 2. Activation de NF- κ B par les TLR, le TNF-R1 et l'IL-1R (www.biocarta.com).

Cette réponse est normalement étroitement régulée pour éviter qu'elle ne persiste et puisse ainsi avoir des effets adverses sur l'organisme. Ainsi, l'IL-1 β agit aussi comme stimulateur de l'axe hypothalamo-hypophysaire (HPA) en favorisant la production de la corticolibérine (CRF) par des neurones spécialisés. Cette libération est suivie par la sécrétion de l'hormone adrénocorticotrope (ACTH) qui permet la production de glucocorticoïdes par les glandes surrénales [78, 79]. Les glucocorticoïdes sont reconnus pour leurs puissants effets anti-inflammatoires résultant de l'inhibition de NF- κ B [80-83]. Le processus de tumorigénèse est plutôt associé à une réponse inflammatoire persistante indiquant que ce mécanisme d'inhibition est probablement insuffisant. Par contre, l'administration de dexaméthasone permet de recréer ces effets puisqu'il s'agit d'un glucocorticoïde synthétique.

L'infiltrat leucocytaire des tumeurs peut se composer de la plupart des types cellulaires normalement retrouvés lors d'une infection (neutrophiles, cellules dendritiques, macrophages, éosinophiles, mastocytes et lymphocytes). Généralement, une majorité de ces cellules sont des macrophages. Ceux-ci représentent d'ailleurs la principale source de cytokines et sont responsables d'effets très variés (figure 5). Ils peuvent participer directement à la destruction des cellules tumorales par des mécanismes dépendants ou indépendants d'un contact intercellulaire [57, 84]. Les mécanismes de cytotoxicité dépendant d'un contact permettent la lyse des cellules étrangères principalement par la production de peroxyde d'hydrogène (H_2O_2) [57, 85]. Les mécanismes indépendants d'un contact impliquent la production de facteurs variés tels que des cytokines, l'oxyde nitrique (NO) et les espèces réactives de l'oxygène (ROIs) [57, 84]. Parmi les cytokines produites, le TNF joue un rôle majeur dans la réponse immunitaire. Cette molécule présente une signalisation complexe qui peut mener à des résultats opposés. Le récepteur du TNF possède un domaine cytoplasmique nommé *death domain* (DD). Sous sa forme inactive, il se retrouve en association avec une protéine appelée *silencer of death domain* (SODD). Lors de la liaison du TNF, cette molécule est libérée pour permettre au DD d'interagir avec une protéine adaptatrice, *Fas-associated death domain* (FADD) qui permet le recrutement de *TNF-R associated death domain* (TRADD). Cette protéine participe à la formation du *death inducing signaling complex* (DISC) qui nécessite le recrutement de la *caspase-8* (casp-8) pour activer la cascade des caspases menant à l'apoptose. L'utilisation de doses supra-physiologiques de TNF a permis de démontrer son efficacité à tuer les cellules tumorales *in vitro* [86], incluant des cellules gliomales [87]. L'importance de ce mécanisme reste toutefois à être démontré *in vivo*. D'autre part TRADD peut, dans certaines circonstances, recruter *TNF-R associated factor* (TRAF) qui permet plutôt d'activer divers facteurs de transcriptions tel que NF- κ B. Les cellules tumorales, exprimant des protéines anti-apoptotiques régulées par NF- κ B, peuvent donc tirer profit de cette voie leur permettant d'améliorer leur survie.

Le TNF permet aussi l'activation de NF- κ B dans d'autres types cellulaires. Ainsi, il représente un important facteur pro-inflammatoire. Il permet l'activation des cellules endothéliales au même titre que l'IL-1 β en plus de contribuer à la production d'une multitude d'autres cytokines, notamment l'interferon- γ (IFN- γ). Cette dernière joue un rôle primordial dans l'immunité anti-tumorale. Elle possède un pouvoir anti-prolifératif sur les cellules tumorales en plus de pouvoir stimuler l'activité des macrophages et des cellules *natural killer* (NK) et NKT. Ces deux derniers types cellulaires représentent des sous-populations de lymphocytes ciblant les cellules tumorales de façon non spécifique pour les éliminer [88-90].

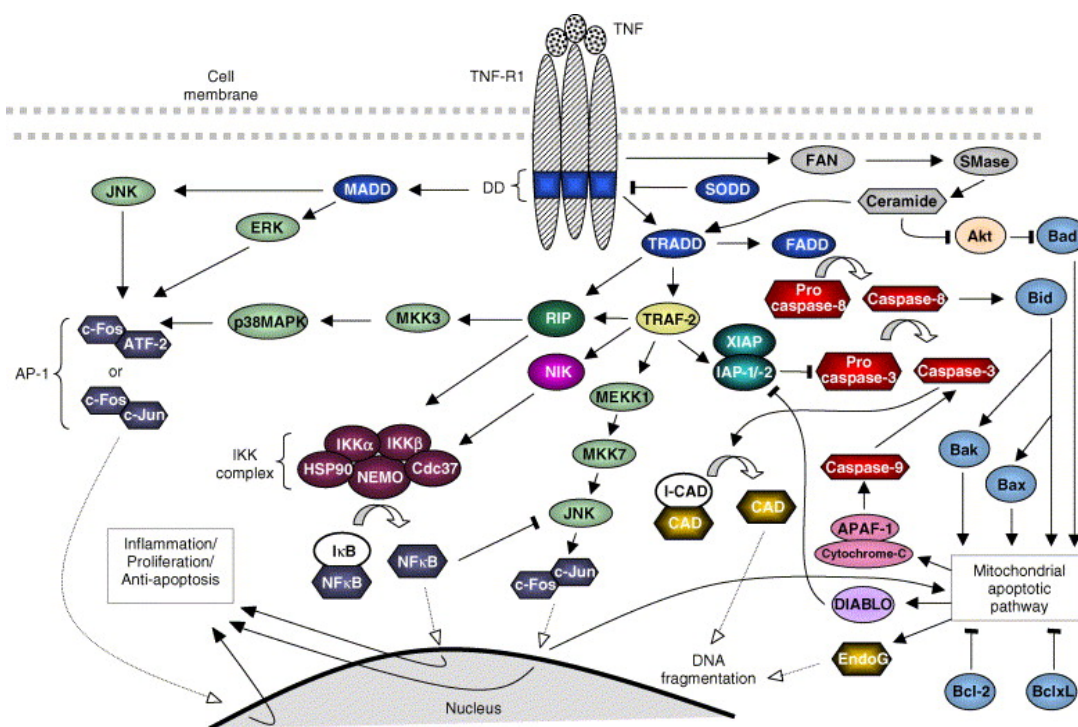


Figure 3. La signalisation par le TNF-R1 [86].

1.3.2.2 L'immunité acquise

Les lymphocytes T constituent une population de cellules qui se sont spécifiquement développées pour reconnaître des antigènes étrangers au corps humain et attaquer les cellules qui les présentent. Les cellules tumorales, bien qu'elles constituent à l'origine des cellules du soi, produisent des molécules qui peuvent être perçues comme des molécules du soi altéré et ainsi reconnues par les lymphocytes T. Ces antigènes tumoraux sont répertoriés en quatre catégories. On retrouve les antigènes uniques spécifiques de la tumeur; il s'agit de produits de la mutation de protéines endogènes. Elles représentent un avantage en immunothérapie étant donné leur grande spécificité. En deuxième lieu, on retrouve les antigènes viraux qui se retrouvent dans les tumeurs d'origine virale. Il y a les antigènes de différenciation spécifiques de tissus, qui correspondent à des molécules retrouvées normalement dans l'organisme mais dont l'expression est ectopique au site de la tumeur. La dernière catégorie regroupe les antigènes dont l'expression est augmentée dans la tumeur comparativement au tissu sain [91-95]. Au cours des dernières années, une véritable chasse à leur identification s'est amorcée en vue de pouvoir créer un « immunome » complet des tumeurs de l'être humain. Quelques milliers de candidats sont maintenant répertoriés et disponibles dans une base de données sur Internet (<http://www2.licr.org/CancerImmunomeDB>). Quelques candidats ont été découverts pour les gliomes, mais ils demeurent peu nombreux.

Pour être reconnus par les lymphocytes T, ces antigènes doivent être présentés à la surface de la cellule par l'entremise d'une molécule nommée complexe majeur d'histocompatibilité (CMH) [56, 96]. Il en existe deux classes (CMH I et II). Les molécules de CMH I sont reconnues spécifiquement par les lymphocytes T CD8+, alors que celles du CMH II le sont par les lymphocytes T CD4+ helper. La présentation des antigènes survient dans des organes spécialisés, les ganglions lymphatiques. Pour ce faire, les antigènes doivent pouvoir migrer dans ces structures. Il est possible que les cellules tumorales puissent y migrer directement ou encore que les antigènes y parviennent sous forme libre. Par contre, il est plus probable que les antigènes soient capturés par les cellules présentatrices d'antigènes (CPA) avant d'être acheminés aux ganglions.

Les CPA, particulièrement les cellules dendritiques (DC), patrouillent l'ensemble des tissus de l'organisme et échantillonnent constamment l'environnement par macropinocytose pour détecter la présence d'antigènes. La destruction de cellules tumorales par l'immunité innée constitue un pré-requis à cette étape en permettant aux antigènes tumoraux d'être libérés dans le milieu extra-cellulaire. Ceux-ci, une fois ingérés par les DC, sont apprêtés pour être présentés à la surface cellulaire sous forme d'un complexe avec le CMH I ou II. Lors d'un dommage, les DC reçoivent un signal provoquant leur maturation et leur migration dans les ganglions lymphatiques. Les lymphocytes T circulent constamment dans ces organes pour sonder les antigènes qui y sont présentés. La reconnaissance d'un antigène à la surface des CPAs par l'intermédiaire du récepteur des cellules T (TCR) provoque l'interaction de ces deux types cellulaires. Cette interaction est par la suite stabilisée par des molécules d'adhésion comme le couple LFA-1/ICAM-1 [56]. Les lymphocytes T peuvent ainsi être activés, ce qui provoque leur différenciation et une phase de division rapide, nommée expansion clonale. La reconnaissance du complexe peptide-CMH n'est toutefois pas suffisante pour enclencher ce processus. Des signaux de costimulations sont aussi nécessaires et permettent une régulation plus fine de cette étape critique. L'une des principales molécules impliquée est le CD28, exprimé sur les lymphocytes, qui interagit avec les membres de la famille B7 (exemple : CD80 et CD86) exprimés sur les DC. Ce signal permet l'augmentation de l'expression de l'IL-2, une cytokine qui active la prolifération des lymphocytes T, et l'expression de son récepteur sur ces mêmes cellules (figure 4).

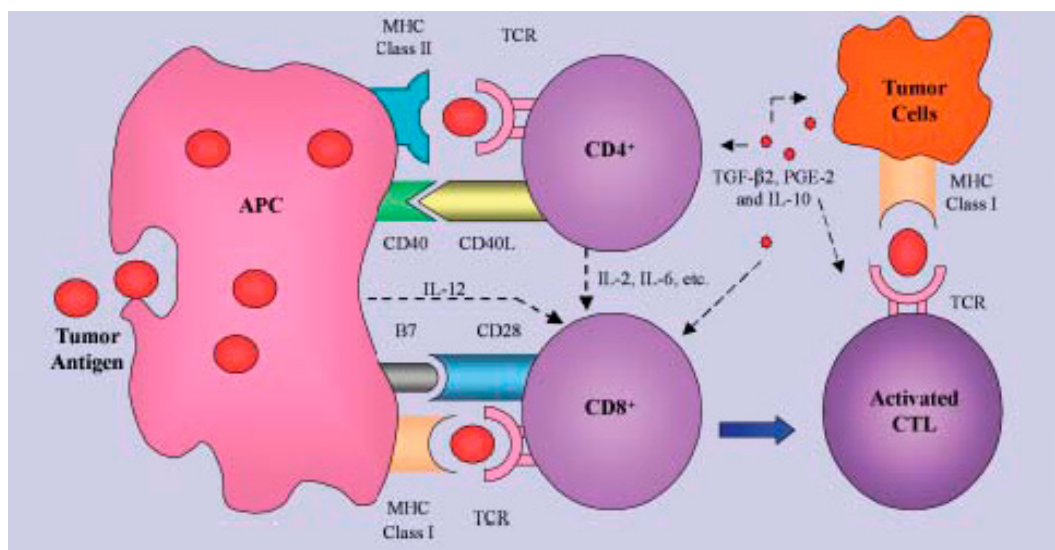


Figure 4. La présentation des antigènes tumoraux par les APCs [97].

L'activation des cellules CD4+ engendre la production d'IL-2, d'IFN- γ et de TNF nécessaire à l'activation des lymphocytes T CD8+; c'est pourquoi les cellules CD4+ sont nommées « helper ». Tous ces clones, spécifiques de l'antigène, retournent en circulation afin de gagner le lit de la tumeur où ils pourront exercer leur activité cytotoxique spécifiquement sur les cellules tumorales qui expriment parfois le CMH I. Le mécanisme implique la participation de molécules nommées perforines et granzymes produites par les lymphocytes T CD8+. La perforine forme des pores dans la membrane des cellules tumorales, ce qui permet l'entrée des granzymes qui activent l'apoptose par l'intermédiaire de la cascade des caspases. Alternativement, l'induction de l'apoptose peut dépendre de molécules appelées récepteurs de mort comme Fas. Le liaison du ligand Fas (FasL), exprimé à la surface des lymphocytes, à son récepteur Fas, exprimé sur les cellules tumorales, engendre le recrutement d'un DD qui active la caspase 8.

1.3.3 Les effets pro-tumoraux

À première vue, le système immunitaire constitue une arme redoutable contre le développement des tumeurs. En fait, les cellules tumorales semblent capables de contourner et même d'exploiter la réponse immune à leur avantage. La théorie de l'immunosurveillance originalement proposée ne serait donc pas tout à fait véridique. Plus récemment, des chercheurs ont proposé de la modifier pour créer la théorie « d'immunoediting ». Cette dernière propose que, lorsque les mécanismes de défenses sont inefficaces pour contrer le développement de la tumeur, une pression de sélection s'exerce sur les cellules tumorales et donne un avantage aux clones résistants aux mécanismes immunitaires [98, 99]. L'instabilité génétique des cellules tumorales favorise l'apparition de tels clones. Des études de transplantation supportent cette hypothèse en démontrant que des cellules d'une tumeur qui se sont développées dans un organisme dépourvu de réponse immune sont beaucoup plus immunogéniques lorsque transplantées dans un organisme normal [98, 100, 101]. L'hypothèse que l'évasion des défenses de l'organisme soit simplement le résultat de mécanismes inhérents au développement de la tumeur, et donc indépendant d'une pression externe, n'est toutefois pas à écarter.

Les mécanismes d'évasions sont nombreux et peuvent être directs, impliquant la modification des cellules tumorales elles-mêmes, ou encore indirects, résultant de l'altération du comportement d'autres cellules par l'environnement tumoral [98]. Les cellules tumorales peuvent notamment modifier l'expression de plusieurs molécules nécessaires à leur reconnaissance par les cellules du système immunitaire ainsi qu'à la signalisation qui leur est associée. La perte de l'expression de certaines composantes du CMH I est une de ces caractéristiques qui a été observée, empêchant la reconnaissance par les lymphocytes T [102]. De même, la production d'une forme soluble du ligand des cellules NK permet de limiter l'efficacité de ce mécanisme d'attaque [103]. Les cellules néoplasiques peuvent aussi surexprimer plusieurs facteurs anti-apoptotiques [104]. Finalement, de nombreux défauts peuvent être observés dans les voies de signalisations couplées aux récepteurs de mort comme Fas. L'activité apoptotique de FasL peut être véhiculée en sens inverse (des cellules tumorales aux cellules immunitaires) puisque dans

certains cas les cellules immunitaires et les cellules tumorales peuvent exprimer autant le récepteur que le ligand Fas [105-107].

Indirectement, les cellules tumorales peuvent exercer une influence sur les macrophages et les lymphocytes T via la production d'une panoplie de cytokines anti-inflammatoires. C'est le cas particulièrement du TGF- β 2 qui a un pouvoir inhibiteur sur les lymphocytes T et les macrophages. Cette cytokine avait d'ailleurs été identifiée à l'origine comme le « glioblastoma cell-derived T-cell suppressor factor » [108, 109]. Elle agit notamment en diminuant la production d'IL-2 et de perforine et l'expression du CMH II [110-113]. En plus, le facteur pro-inflammatoire prostaglandine E₂ (PGE₂), dont l'expression est augmentée dans les cellules tumorales, agit sur les lymphocytes et les macrophages pour favoriser l'expression de l'IL-10 [114]. Cette molécule inhibe la différenciation des DC, la présentation antigénique et la production d'IL-12 et d'ICAM-1 [115-117]. Il se crée donc un environnement d'immunosuppression dans la tumeur.

Les macrophages sont connus pour produire une quantité exceptionnelle de molécules aux fonctions très diverses (Fig. 5). L'environnement tumoral influence de façon importante le comportement des macrophages et peut favoriser leur participation à la croissance tumorale de plusieurs façons [76, 118, 119]. Parmi les cytokines produites, on retrouve, entre autres, plusieurs facteurs pro-angiogéniques tels que le VEGF [120, 121]. Son expression peut même être augmentée par un mécanisme dépendant de l'IL-1. Celle-ci augmente l'activité de l'enzyme cyclooxygénase 2 (COX2) qui produit du HIF-1 qui, comme nous l'avons vu, favorise la transcription du VEGF [23, 122]. Également, de nombreuses enzymes de dégradation de la matrice extracellulaire contribuant à la migration des cellules tumorales peuvent être produites, comme la MMP-2 et 9 [118]. Les macrophages peuvent aussi contribuer à la prolifération des cellules tumorales en produisant de grandes quantités de facteurs de croissance comme l'épidermal growth factor (EGF), son récepteur l'EGFR se retrouve exprimé autant sur les cellules gliomales que les macrophages eux-mêmes [121, 123, 124]. De surcroît, les macrophages sécrètent d'importantes quantités de TNF, lequel a des effets ambigus sur les tumeurs. D'un point de vue pro-tumoral, il a été démontré que cette cytokine pouvait influencer les principales conditions nécessaires à la croissance tumorale : la prolifération, la migration et

l'angiogénèse. Elle permet donc, notamment, d'augmenter la production du VEGF, de l'EGFR et de la MMP-9 [125-127]. D'autre part, même les mécanismes cytotoxiques des macrophages peuvent s'avérer utiles au développement tumoral. En effet, bien que le NO et les ROIs puissent tuer des cellules, leur action sur l'ADN peut provoquer l'apparition de nouvelles mutations pouvant mener à la transformation cellulaire. Les macrophages auraient donc le potentiel de constituer un facteur initiateur de tumeurs lors d'une réponse inflammatoire persistante [76, 128]. Finalement, ces cellules ne sont pas les seules à pouvoir exercer une action bénéfique au développement tumoral. Une sous-population particulière de lymphocytes T, les cellules T régulatrices (Treg), principalement connues pour jouer un rôle protecteur en matière d'autoimmunité, pourraient aussi agir en supprimant l'action des lymphocytes T anti-tumoraux [129, 130].

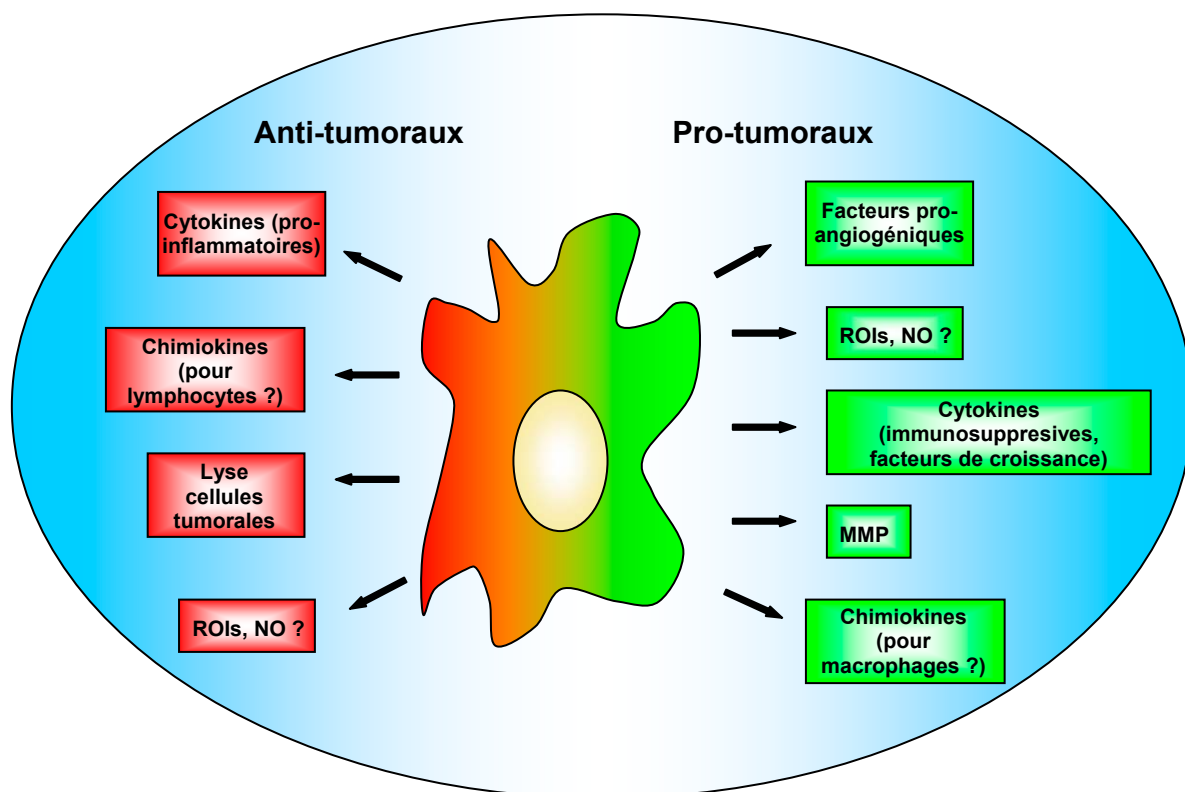


Figure 5. Effets possibles anti- et pro-tumoraux des macrophages.

1.3.4 Réponse immunitaire dans le SNC et particularités des glioblastomes

À l'origine, des expériences de greffes tissulaires dans le SNC avaient révélé que l'hôte ne rejetait le tissu étranger qu'à très long terme. Cette constatation a mené au développement de la notion de privilège immunitaire, qui voulait que le SNC soit isolé du système immunitaire périphérique. La présence de la barrière hématoencéphalique, l'expression faible des molécules de CMH, l'absence de drainage lymphatique et de DC dans le SNC contribuaient à soutenir cette hypothèse [131]. Aujourd'hui, on sait par contre que ce concept est plus relatif qu'absolu. Lors de différents dommages, une réponse immunitaire s'organise tout de même. Elle débute par les organes circumventriculaires (CVO), le plexus choroïdien et les leptomeninges puisque que ces régions sont dépourvues de BHE [132-134]. Par la suite, le processus peut s'étendre à l'ensemble du SNC. Bien que des jonctions serrées unissent fermement les cellules endothéliales du SNC et forment une barrière imperméable à plusieurs molécules plasmatiques ainsi qu'à plusieurs cellules; les leucocytes peuvent tout de même accéder au cerveau lors d'une réponse immunitaire qui permet l'activation des cellules endothéliales pour produire des molécules d'adhésion [134].

Les acteurs principaux de l'immunité dans le SNC sont les cellules microgliales. Ces dernières représentent les macrophages résidents de ce tissu dont elles constituent environ 8 % de toutes les cellules [135]. Elles sont généralement dans un état de repos et ont alors une morphologie très ramifiée. Elles surveillent ainsi l'environnement et s'activent rapidement lorsqu'elles détectent une altération du tissu. Elles gagnent alors l'apparence de macrophages conventionnels. Les microglies produisent alors une panoplie de molécules tout comme les macrophages [136]. Il est probable que ces cellules jouent le rôle de CPA puisque le SNC est dépourvu de cellules dendritiques, bien qu'elles soient moins efficaces que ces dernières [137]. L'expression des molécules du CMH dans le cerveau, contrairement à la périphérie, n'est pas constitutive. Leur expression peut toutefois être induite à la surface des microglies tout comme celle des molécules de costimulations de la famille B7 [138]. L'absence de drainage lymphatique apparaît toutefois encore comme un obstacle au développement d'une réponse immune complète. Certaines

expériences ont par contre pu démontrer que des antigènes du SNC pouvaient atteindre les ganglions cervicaux probablement par l'intermédiaire d'un système de transport alternatif faisant intervenir le liquide céphalo-rachidien (LCR) [139, 140].

La réponse immunitaire s'établissant dans le SNC est donc distincte de celle en périphérie. En plus, les glioblastomes présentent des caractéristiques particulières comparativement au SNC en général. La BHE y est altérée par la production importante de TNF et les vaisseaux sanguins, modifiés par le processus angiogénique, n'incorporent pas ces caractéristiques. Les cellules microgliales ne représentent probablement qu'une faible proportion des leucocytes dans la tumeur, la majorité étant des macrophages provenant de la périphérie [87]. Ces derniers semblent peu efficaces à présenter les antigènes dans les conditions immunosuppressives des glioblastomes et personne n'a encore réussi à démontrer que ces cellules parvenaient réellement à migrer dans les ganglions lymphatiques. Les glioblastomes constituent donc un environnement tumoral unique encore mal compris. Malgré qu'il soit de plus en plus évident que les macrophages contribuent au développement tumoral dans certains cancers périphériques comme le cancer du sein [141, 142], les résultats des études dans les gliomes demeurent controversés. Certaines rapportent que les densités les plus importantes de macrophages se retrouvent dans les tumeurs les plus malignes, indiquant une corrélation avec un pronostic pessimiste [143]. À l'inverse, une autre étude suggère qu'aucune corrélation n'existe [144]. Le rôle bénéfique des lymphocytes T CD8+ pour freiner le développement tumoral semble quant-à-lui bien établi. Une équipe a démontré que l'infiltration de la tumeur par ces cellules engendrait une plus longue survie des patients [145]. De même, des travaux plus récents proposent que la production plus importante de cellules T dans le thymus chez les individus plus jeunes atteints d'un gliome constitue un facteur positif pour le pronostic de ce cancer [146].

1.4 Résultats préalables

Dans le but d'établir plus précisément si la réponse inflammatoire contribue ou non au développement des glioblastomes, notre laboratoire a étudié leur développement chez des souris déficientes en TNF (TNF k.o.). Les résultats ont démontré que les tumeurs de ces souris présentent une diminution de la densité de macrophages intra-tumoraux qui corrèle inversement avec le volume de la tumeur [87]. Il apparaît donc que les macrophages peuvent contribuer à leur propre recrutement par la production de TNF et qu'ils permettent d'entraver le développement de la tumeur. Ce mécanisme de défense n'est toutefois pas entièrement efficace puisque la masse tumorale continue à se développer.

1.5 L'ablation sélective de cellules par la HSV-1 TK

L'ablation sélective d'une population cellulaire constitue une méthode efficace et directe pour étudier sa fonction dans un organisme. L'expression d'un gène capable de convertir un pro-médicament en un agent cytotoxique spécifiquement dans les cellules cibles est une façon élégante d'y parvenir. Un modèle pour l'ablation sélective des cellules de la lignée myéloïde a ainsi été élaboré [147]. Le gène utilisé, la thymidine kinase du virus de l'Herpes simplex type 1 (HSV-1 TK), peut phosphoryler une grande variété d'analogues de nucléotides. Son équivalent humain n'est par contre spécifique que de la thymidine. Le Gancyclovir est un de ces analogues couramment utilisé. Après avoir été phosphorylé par la HSV-1 TK le GCV-monophosphate est phosphorylé à nouveau par d'autres enzymes cellulaires pour devenir du GCV-triphosphate, lequel est un analogue toxique de la thymidine. Cette molécule est donc intégrée dans l'ADN nouvellement synthétisée et bloque sa réplication conduisant à la mort de la cellule [148, 149]. Dans le présent modèle le mutant-30 a été utilisé. Il a été démontré que cette forme de l'enzyme lie plus efficacement le GCV que la thymidine comparativement à la forme sauvage [150]. Les doses de GCV utilisées peuvent donc être réduites, ce qui permet de limiter ses effets toxiques.

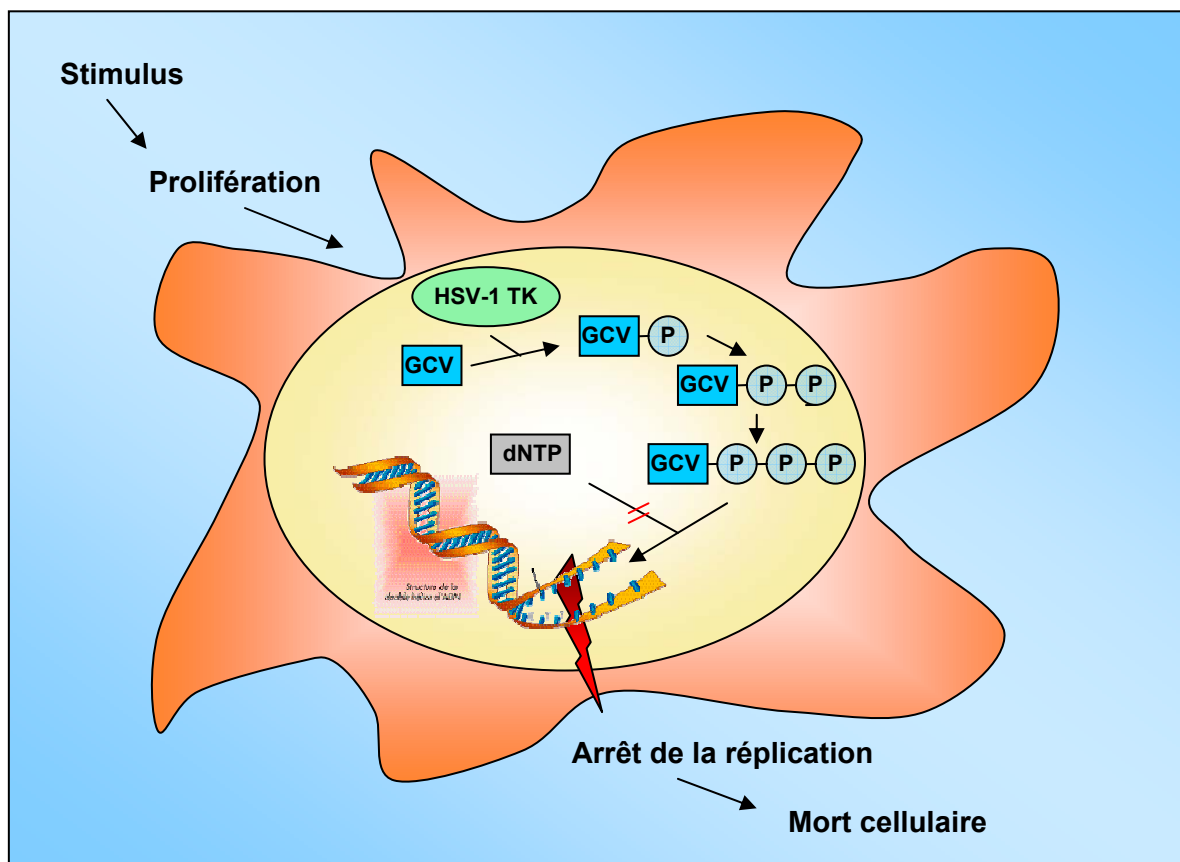


Figure 6. Mécanisme d'action du Gancyclovir.

La spécificité de l'expression du gène est obtenue en le couplant au promoteur CD11b. La molécule CD11b constitue une sous-unité du récepteur d'intégrine CD11/CD18. Son expression est principalement spécifique à la lignée myéloïde. Elle est faiblement détectable chez les précurseurs mais elle augmente suivant leur différenciation pour atteindre un niveau maximal chez les cellules matures (neutrophiles, monocytes, macrophages et microglies). Son expression est aussi détectable sur les cellules NK [151]. Il a déjà été démontré que la séquence promotrice de ce gène permettait l'expression de transgènes dans les cellules myéloïdes matures de souris de façon stable [152]. L'efficacité du modèle CD11b-TK a été établie dans diverses conditions [147].

1.6 Objectifs du projet

Afin d'élucider avec plus de précision le rôle des macrophages dans la croissance tumorale et tâcher de comprendre leur mécanisme d'action, nous avons étudié le développement des gliomes dans le modèle de souris exprimant la HSV-1 TK sous le contrôle du promoteur CD11b (souris TK). Plus spécifiquement, l'efficacité du modèle à tuer les macrophages tumoraux a été vérifiée par le compte des cellules marquées par immunohistochimie. Par la suite, le volume des tumeurs a été mesuré pour vérifier si l'ablation des macrophages avait bel et bien influencée la croissance des gliomes. Finalement, nous avons examiné l'hypothèse que l'effet des macrophages puisse être médié indirectement via le recrutement des lymphocytes T.

Dans un deuxième volet de l'étude, nous nous sommes questionnés sur l'impact de l'utilisation de la dexaméthasone dans la thérapie des glioblastomes. En effet, puisque nos résultats démontrent l'utilité de la réponse immune pour combattre le développement des glioblastomes, nous avons émis l'hypothèse que l'action anti-inflammatoire de ce glucocorticoïde pourrait se révéler nuisible au traitement de ces tumeurs. Les résultats, au contraire, ont démontré que l'administration de cet agent permettait de réduire la croissance tumorale malgré une diminution de la population de lymphocytes T intra-tumorale. Différentes approches *in vitro* et *in vivo* ont été utilisées dans le but d'identifier les mécanismes d'action de la dexaméthasone susceptibles d'influencer spécifiquement le développement tumoral.

Chapitre 2 : Augmentation de la croissance des gliomes chez des souris déplétées en macrophages

“Increased glioma growth in mice depleted in macrophages”

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2.1 Résumé

Les macrophages peuvent promouvoir la croissance de certaines tumeurs, notamment au sein et au foie. Toutefois, cet effet n'a pas été prouvé pour l'ensemble des tumeurs, incluant celles du système nerveux central. Au contraire, nous avons démontré que les macrophages peuvent ralentir la progression des gliomes malins par un processus dépendant du TNF. La présente étude apporte des évidences suggérant que cet effet anti-tumoral soit médié par les lymphocytes T. En effet, leur nombre est réduit de façon importante chez les souris déficientes en TNF et corrèle inversement avec le volume des gliomes. Cependant, cette corrélation a seulement été observée chez des receveurs allogéniques, remettant en question le rôle des macrophages dans un contexte non-immunogénique. En utilisant des souris syngéniques, exprimant la thymidine kinase du virus de l'Herpes simplex sous le contrôle du promoteur CD11b, nous avons démontré que les macrophages peuvent exercer un effet anti-tumoral indépendamment de l'aide des lymphocytes T. La déplétion des macrophages, obtenue par l'administration de ganciclovir, a résulté en une augmentation de 33% du volume de la tumeur. L'effet anti-tumoral des macrophages n'était probablement pas relié à une activité tumoricide. En effet, des cellules gliomales transduites *ex vivo*, avant transplantation, avec un vecteur lentiviral exprimant la GFP, ont rarement été observées dans un état apoptotique ou phagocyté. En somme, ces résultats suggèrent que les macrophages peuvent atténuer la croissance des gliomes par eux-mêmes (e.g. en protégeant le tissu adjacent) et indirectement, quand la tumeur est immunogénique, en contribuant à la mise en place de l'immunité antitumorale adaptative. Cette étude pave la voie au développement de protocoles d'immunothérapie du cancer par l'emploi des macrophages et soulève un questionnement quant à l'utilisation d'agents anti-inflammatoires chez les patients atteints de tumeurs cérébrales.

2.2 Abstract

Macrophages can promote the growth of some tumors, such as those of the breast and lung, but it is unknown whether this is true for all tumors, including those of the central nervous system. On the contrary, we have shown that macrophages can slow the progression of malignant gliomas through a TNF-dependent mechanism. Here we provide evidence that this antitumor effect was mediated by T lymphocytes, as their number was drastically reduced in TNF-deficient mice and inversely correlated with glioma volume. However, this correlation was only observed in allogeneic recipients, questioning the role of macrophages in a non-immunogenic context. Using syngeneic mice expressing the herpes simplex virus thymidine kinase under the control of the CD11b promoter, we show that macrophages can exert an antitumor effect without the help of T lymphocytes. Macrophage depletion achieved by ganciclovir treatment resulted in a 33% increase in glioma volume. The antitumor effect of macrophages was not likely due to a tumoricidal activity, because phagocytosis or apoptosis of glioma cells, transduced *ex vivo* prior to transplantation with a lentiviral vector expressing GFP, was rarely observed. Altogether, these results suggest that macrophages can attenuate glioma growth by themselves (e.g., by protecting the surrounding tissue) and indirectly, when the tumor is immunogenic, by contributing to the development of adaptive antitumor immunity. This study provides a rationale for the design of macrophage-based cancer immunotherapy protocols, and raises concerns regarding the use of anti-inflammatory drugs in patients with brain tumors.

2.3 Introduction

Tumors affecting the central nervous system are a leading cause of cancer-related death in children and young adults[1]. The most frequent types are gliomas, which derive from glial cells that have acquired the ability to continuously proliferate and diffusely invade the parenchyma. In response to this aggression, immune cells, mainly macrophages, infiltrate the neoplastic tissue [121, 153]. In the mouse glioma model used in the present study, for example, we have shown that macrophages account for ~8% of the cells of the tumor mass [87], which is comparable to the proportion of microglia in the normal brain. In contrast to microglia, glioma-associated macrophages originate from newly recruited monocytes, and exhibit a round, amoeboid or elongated shape with relatively short cytoplasmic processes, rather than a highly ramified morphology [87].

The role of macrophages in glioma biology is unclear, as it has not been directly tested, but rather inferred from observations made *in vitro* or in other tumor types [121]. The traditional belief is that macrophages can potentially detect glioma cells expressing abnormal surface antigens (e.g., via the NKG2D receptor) and kill them by releasing lysosomal enzymes and reactive oxygen intermediates [154]. Macrophages also have the potential to degrade such antigens into peptides that bind to major histocompatibility complex class I (MHC-I) molecules for cross-presentation to cytotoxic T lymphocytes [155]. When activated, the latter can theoretically recognize and kill cells that display the same peptides by releasing the content of their cytotoxic granules. However, the reality is that most glioma cells escape these defense mechanisms, probably due to the lack of abnormal immunogenic antigen, down-regulation of MHC-I, induction of immunologic tolerance and/or secretion of immunosuppressive molecules [156]. In recent years, an alternative hypothesis has been proposed in which macrophages contribute to glioma progression by secreting growth factors, angiogenic molecules, extracellular matrix-degrading enzymes and immunosuppressors [121, 153]. Although this possibility is supported by several observations in the case of some cancers, such as those of the breast and lung [72, 76, 118, 119, 157], it has not been directly tested in gliomas. Therefore, the

question of whether macrophages promote or counteract glioma progression remains unanswered and needs to be addressed in orthotopic models.

In support of a beneficial role for glioma-associated macrophages, we have recently shown that these cells stimulate their own recruitment and reduce glioma growth by expressing TNF [87], but the mechanism responsible for this effect is unknown. In the initial part of the present study, we found evidence that the antitumor effect of TNF can be mediated by T lymphocytes, as their number was drastically reduced in TNF-deficient mice and inversely correlated with glioma volume. However, this correlation was only seen when glioma cells originating from a B6 mouse were transplanted in recipients with a mixed genetic background (B6 \times 129S), questioning the role of macrophages in a context where the tumor is weakly or not immunogenic. In the following parts, we confirm that glioma-associated macrophages, in a syngeneic context, exert a beneficial effect without the help of T lymphocytes, as determined using a new model of transgenic mice allowing for temporal depletion of macrophages.

2.4 Methods

2.4.1 Animals

TNF-deficient and wild-type mice on a B6 × 129S background were generated from breeders originally obtained from the Jackson Laboratory (Bar Harbor, Maine). Their genotypes were confirmed by PCR using DNA extracted from tail biopsies following the protocol provided by the supplier. Heterozygous CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice and wild-type littermates (B6 background) were generated as previously described [147]. B6 mice were purchased from Charles River (Montréal, QC, Canada) and adapted to standard laboratory conditions for 1 week before any manipulation. All experiments were performed on males aged 2-3 months according to procedures approved by our institution's Animal Welfare Committee.

2.4.2 Culture of glioma cells

The glioma cell line GL261, originally derived from a B6 mouse implanted intracerebrally with methylcholanthrene [158], was provided by Dr. Protul Shrikant (Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Buffalo, New York). Cells were cultured in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (Wisent, Saint-Bruno, QC, Canada) supplemented with 10% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum, 2 mM L-glutamine, 110 mg/L sodium pyruvate, 100 U/ml penicillin and 100 µg/ml streptomycin. Prior to implantation, cells were harvested by brief incubation at room temperature in 0.25% trypsin (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA), then washed and resuspended in Dulbecco's phosphate-buffered saline (DPBS, Invitrogen) containing 1 g/L D-glucose.

2.4.3 Viral transduction of glioma cells

GL261 cells were incubated for 24 h with vesicular stomatitis virus glycoprotein-pseudotyped lentivirus carrying the green fluorescent protein (GFP) gene at a multiplicity of infection of 10. The viral suspension was provided by Dr. Gary Kobinger (National Microbiology Laboratory, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada) and produced as previously described [159]. Four days later, GFP⁺ cells were sorted using an Epic Elite ESP flow

cytometer (Beckman Coulter, Fullerton, CA), and then expanded *in vitro* before implantation.

2.4.4 Intracerebral implantation of glioma cells

Mice were anesthetized, shaved and immobilized in a stereotaxic frame. A midline incision was made on the scalp, followed by a circular craniotomy over the right hemisphere, 1.7 mm lateral and 1 mm rostral from bregma. After removal of the dura mater, a 5- μ l Hamilton syringe fitted with a 27-gauge beveled needle was advanced into the caudoputamen at a depth of 3.5 mm from the skull surface. Using a UMPII micropump (World Precision Instruments, Saratoga, Florida), 2 μ l of Dulbecco's phosphate-buffered saline (DPBS; Invitrogen, Carlsbad, California) containing 5×10^4 viable GL261 cells were injected over 2 min. After injection, the syringe was left in place for 2 min before being withdrawn very slowly.

2.4.5 Ganciclovir treatment

Starting 7 days after tumor implantation, mice were injected intraperitoneally twice daily for 6 days with 50 mg/kg ganciclovir (GCV; Hoffmann-La Roche, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada) diluted in saline. Control mice were treated identically, except that GCV was substituted by saline.

2.4.6 Bromodeoxyuridine labeling

Bromodeoxyuridine (BrdU, Sigma) was dissolved in saline at a concentration of 10 μ g/ μ l. Mice were injected four times with BrdU (100 μ g/g) at 3 h intervals, and perfused 2 h after the final injection.

2.4.7 Histological preparation

For all histological analyses except *in situ* hybridization, mice were transcardially perfused with 10 ml of saline, followed by ice-cold 4% paraformaldehyde in phosphate buffer, pH 7.4, over 10 min. The brains were removed, postfixed for 4 h at 4 °C, then cryoprotected overnight in 50 mM potassium phosphate-buffered saline (KPBS) supplemented with 20% sucrose. Series of sections through the tumors were cut at 40 μ m

using a freezing microtome, collected in cryoprotectant (30% ethylene glycol, 20% glycerol, 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer, pH 7.4) and stored at -20°C until analysis. For *in situ* hybridization, the following modifications were applied: 1) the fixative was dissolved in borate buffer, pH 9.5, instead of phosphate buffer; 2) the brains were postfixed for 48 h before being cryoprotected overnight in the same fixative supplemented with 20% sucrose; and 3) the tumors were cut at 30 μm .

2.4.8 Immunostaining

Immunohistochemistry and immunofluorescence were performed as previously described [160] using the following primary antibodies: rat anti-BrdU (1:1000; Accurate Chemicals, Westbury, New York), rat anti-CD11b (1:1000; BD Biosciences, San Diego, California), rat anti-CD3 ϵ (1:500; Serotec, Raleigh, North Carolina), rat anti-CD45 (1:1000; BD Biosciences), rat anti-F4/80 (1:500; Serotec) and rabbit anti-Iba1 (1:2000; Wako Chemicals, Richmond, Virginia). Fluorescent sections were counterstained for 1 min with 2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ diamidinophenylindole (DAPI, Invitrogen). Before CD3 ϵ immunostaining, sections fixed with paraformaldehyde at pH 9.5 were subjected to an antigen retrieval procedure that consisted of heating the sections in 10 mM sodium citrate buffer, pH 6.0, for 25 min using a microwave oven at 40% power.

2.4.9 In situ hybridization

TNF mRNA was detected by radioisotopic *in situ* hybridization according to a previously described protocol [161]. Briefly, sections were mounted onto Superfrost slides (Fisher Scientific, Pittsburgh, PA), postfixed with 4% paraformaldehyde in borate buffer, pH 9.5, for 20 min, digested with 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ proteinase K at 37°C for 25 min, acetylated with 0.25% acetic anhydride for 10 min and dehydrated. Antisense and sense cRNA probes were transcribed from a linearized 1.3 kb mouse cDNA in the presence of [^{35}S]-UTP and [^{35}S]-CTP (Perkin-Elmer, Foster City, CA), purified by phenol-chloroform extraction and ammonium acetate-ethanol precipitation, then applied to the slides at a concentration of 2×10^7 cpm/ml in hybridization buffer (50% formamide, 0.3 M NaCl, 10 mM Tris, pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA, 1 \times Denhardt's solution, 10% dextran sulfate, 2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ tRNA and 10 mM

dithiothreitol). After incubation at 60 °C for 14 h, the slides were treated with 20 µg/ml ribonuclease A for 30 min at 37 °C, washed in a solution containing 15 mM NaCl and 1.5 mM sodium citrate for 30 min at 65 °C, dehydrated and exposed to Biomax film (Kodak, Rochester, NY) for 22 h. After film autoradiography, slides were defatted in xylene, dipped into Kodak NTB2 emulsion, exposed at 4 °C for 21 days, developed in Kodak D19 developer for 3.5 min at 14-16 °C, fixed in Kodak rapid fixer for 5 min, counterstained with 0.25% thionin, dehydrated and coverslipped with a mixture of distyrene, tricresyl phosphate and xylene (DPX; Electron Microscopy Sciences, Fort Washington, Pennsylvania).

2.4.10 Stereological analyses

Systematically sampled sections (every 10th section through the tumors) were analyzed in a blind fashion using a Stereo Investigator system (Microbrightfield, Colchester, Vermont) combined with a Nikon E800 microscope.

Tumor volume was estimated from thionin-stained sections by the Cavalieri method. Using a 2× Plan Apochromat objective (numerical aperture 0.1), a point grid of 200 × 200 µm was overlaid on each section and the points that fell within the tumor were counted. Point counts were converted to volume estimates taking into account sampling frequency, magnification, grid size and section thickness.

Immunostained cells were counted by the optical fractionator method. Tumor tissue was traced using a 2× objective and sampled using a 60× Plan Apochromat oil objective (numerical aperture 1.4). The counting parameters were as follows: distance between counting frames, 400 × 400 µm (Iba1⁺ cells) or 450 × 450 µm (CD3ε⁺ cells); counting frame size, 50 × 50 µm (Iba1⁺ cells) or 100 × 100 µm (CD3ε⁺ cells); disector height, 10 µm; guard zone thickness, ≥2 µm. Cells were counted only if their nuclei laid within the disector area, did not intersect forbidden lines and came into the focus as the optical plane moved through the height of the disector.

In situ hybridization signals were counted by the fractionator method. Tumor tissue was traced using a 2× objective and sampled using a 40× Plan Apochromat objective (numerical aperture 0.95). The counting parameters were as follows: distance between

counting frames, $450 \times 450 \mu\text{m}$; counting frame size, $100 \times 100 \mu\text{m}$. Clusters of emulsion grains were counted only if they laid within the disector area and did not intersect forbidden lines.

The relative area occupied by microcysts was measured by photographing thionin-stained sections using a $2\times$ Plan Achromat objective and a Retiga EX monochrome camera (QImaging, Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada). The photographs (8-bit, grayscale) were converted to Bitmap images with Photoshop 7 (Adobe Systems, San Jose, California) using a threshold level of 160. The contour of each tumor profile was traced with the freehand selection tool of ImageJ software (National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland), and the mean gray value of that area was recorded (black = 0, white = 255). The data were averaged and converted to percentages.

2.4.11 Confocal microscopy

Confocal images were acquired with a Fluoview confocal microscope (BX-61; Olympus Optical, Tokyo, Japan) and a $60\times$ Uplan Apo oil objective (numerical aperture 1.35) by sequential scanning using a z-separation of $0.25 \mu\text{m}$. For each fluorochrome, the upper and lower thresholds were set using the range indicator to minimize data loss. The proportions of cells displaying a given phenotype were evaluated by scoring the colocalization of cell markers using confocal images (5 per mouse) randomly sampled through the neoplastic tissue. A minimum of 110 cells was examined per staining and animal.

2.4.12 Bright-field imaging

Photomicrographs were taken using a Retiga EX monochrome camera mounted on a Nikon E800 microscope. The images were adjusted for contrast, brightness and sharpness using Photoshop 7.

2.4.13 Splenocyte culture

Spleens harvested from four CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice were minced with razor blades in DPBS, passed four times through a 20-G needle, and filtered through $40\text{-}\mu\text{m}$ nylon mesh.

Cells were separated by centrifugation on a cushion of lymphocyte separation medium (Wisent, St-Bruno, Québec, Canada) at 2500 rpm for 20 min. Immediately after isolation, cells were activated for 24 h in RPMI 1640 medium supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum and 1 µg/ml phytohemagglutinin A (Sigma), and then cultured for 48 h in the presence of 50 U/ml interleukin-2 (Sigma). Activated cells were incubated for 4 days in a 96-well plate (200 000 cells/well) in the same medium containing 10 µM GCV or vehicle. Interleukin-2 (25 U/ml) was added to the cultures after 48 h. Cells were collected by centrifugation, blocked for 5 min with 5 µg/ml anti-CD16/CD32 antibody (BD Biosciences), stained for 30 min on ice with Alexa 488-conjugated anti-CD3ε antibody (BD Biosciences), and counted with an Epic XL flow cytometer (Coulter, Miami, Florida) by excluding dead cells by propidium iodide staining.

2.4.14 Primary culture of microglia

Microglia were isolated from brains of 2 or 3-day old CD11b-TK^{mt-30} or wild-type mice. The brains were minced with razor blades in DPBS and passed four times through a 20-G needle. After centrifugation (1,500 rpm), the pellets were resuspended and incubated at 37 °C for 15 min in DPBS containing 0.25% trypsin and 0.05% DNase I. Cells were plated in T-75 flasks (3 brains/flask) and grown in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (Wisent) supplemented with 10% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum, with medium changed every 2 days. After 1 week, microglia growing on the top of the confluent cell monolayer were separated by shaking the flasks on a rotary shaker (200 rpm) at 37 °C for 4 h. Floating cells were collected and plated in T-25 flasks. After 10 min, the flasks were gently hand-shaken for 30 sec, and the medium was changed to remove contaminating non-adherent cells. Microglia were grown for 2 days and transferred onto four-chamber polystyrene vessel tissue culture-treated glass slides (BD Pharmingen) at a density of 100,000 cells/chamber in medium containing 10 µM GCV or vehicle. After 4 days, the cells were fixed in phosphate buffered-paraformaldehyde (pH 7.4) for 30 min, immunostained for CD11b and counterstained with DAPI as described above. The cultures used were > 99% pure. Microglia were counted at a magnification of 40× using the fractionator method with Stereo Investigator. The counting parameters were as follows: distance between counting frames, 1500 × 1500 µm; counting frame size, 150 × 150 µm.

2.4.15 Statistical analysis

Unless otherwise stated, data are expressed as mean \pm SE. Means were compared using the unpaired Student's *t* test when the data met the assumptions of homogeneity of variance (Levene's test). As an alternative, the Welch's *t* test was used when the variances were unequal. Relationships between variables were assessed by Pearson correlation. All these tests used an alpha of 0.05 and were done with JMP software (SAS Institute, Cary, North Carolina).

2.5 Results

2.5.1 Decrease in glioma-infiltrating T cells in TNF-deficient mice

We have shown that macrophage-derived TNF can slow glioma growth through a process leading to the formation of small cavities called microcysts [87]. To examine whether T cells play a role in this process, we implanted GL261 glioma cells into the brains of TNF-knockout and wild-type mice sharing the same genetic background (B6 × 129S). The animals were killed 21 days later and brain sections were immunostained for the T cell marker CD3ε. Labeled cells were found in all compartments of the tumors (Fig. 7a, b), but not in the surrounding non-neoplastic tissue. Stereological analysis revealed that T cell density was 4.4-fold lower in TNF-deficient mice compared to wild-type controls (Fig. 7c). Interestingly, T cell density was directly proportional to the numbers of macrophages and microcysts (Fig. 7d, e), but inversely to glioma volume (Fig. 7f). These results, together with our previous findings [87], support the concept that macrophages can reduce glioma growth, at least in part, by promoting the recruitment of T cells with antitumor activity via the secretion of TNF.

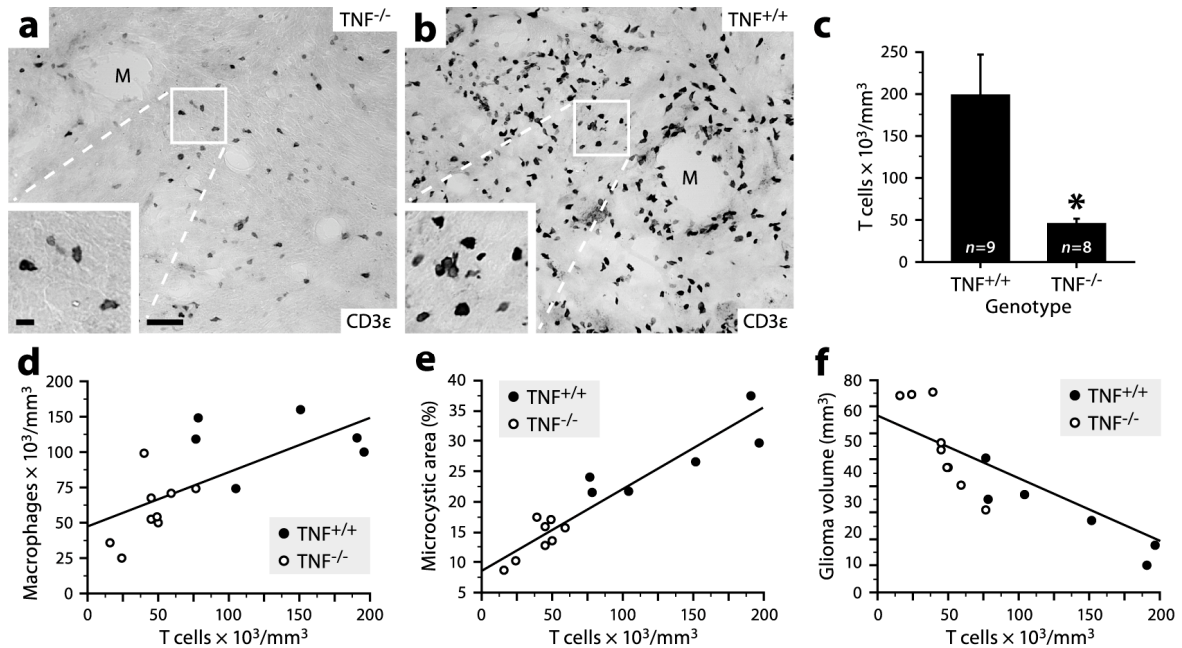


Figure 7. Decrease in glioma-infiltrating T lymphocytes in absence of TNF.

a, b, T cells immunostained for CD3ε in glioma sections from TNF-knockout and wild-type mice, respectively. Scale bars: 50 μm (main image), 10 μm (insert).

c, Stereological analysis revealed a 4.4-fold reduction in the number of glioma-infiltrating T cells in TNF-knockout mice. *Welch *t* test, $P = 0.014$.

d-f, Pearson correlation analyses showed that the number of T cells correlated positively with the number of macrophages ($P = 0.0057$, $R = 0.68$) and the percentage of tumor area occupied by microcysts ($P < 0.0001$, $R = 0.94$), but negatively with glioma volume ($P < 0.0001$, $R = -0.88$). Each data point represents a TNF-deficient (white circle) or wild-type mouse (black circle).

2.5.3 Proliferation of glioma-associated macrophages

Theoretically, glioma-associated macrophages can arise from three different sources: peritumoral microglia, circulating monocytes and pre-existing macrophages undergoing division. Using lethally irradiated mice reconstituted with bone marrow cells expressing GFP, we have shown that glioma-associated macrophages mainly derive from newly recruited monocytes and not from microglia [87]. To determine whether these cells manifest the ability to proliferate after infiltration, we injected glioma-bearing mice (B6 background) with BrdU prior to sacrifice to label cells in the S phase of the cell cycle. As shown in Figure 8a, BrdU⁺ cells were found in very large numbers in the tumors and, in lower abundance, the immediate adjacent areas. Confocal microscopic analysis showed that some BrdU⁺ cells expressed the macrophage marker Iba1 (Fig. 8b-g), which represented 1.4% (SD \pm 0.3, $n = 3$) of the dividing cells in the tumors, but 49.9% (SD \pm 10.3) of those in the adjacent normal tissue. These results indicate that macrophages and microglia located within or near gliomas have the potential to proliferate.

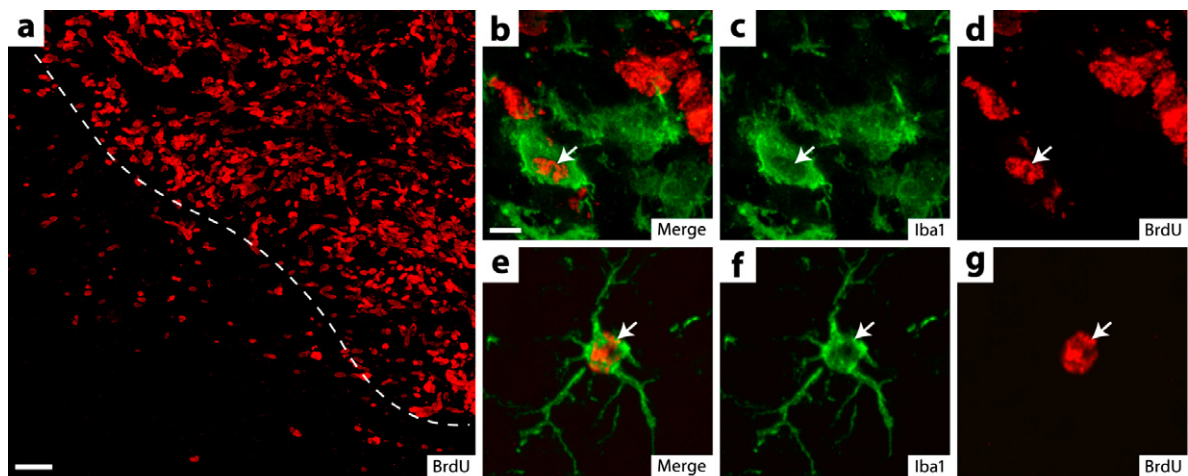


Figure 8. Proliferation of monocytic cells within and around gliomas.

a, Confocal image showing proliferating cells immunostained for BrdU in a glioma section from a mouse killed 2 weeks after tumor implantation. The dashed line delimits the tumor area (right side). Note the presence of BrdU⁺ cells not only in the tumor, but also in the surrounding area. Scale bar: 50 μ m.

b-d, A glioma associated-macrophage (arrow) double labeled for Iba1 (green) and BrdU (red). Scale bar: 5 μ m (b-g).

e-g, A ramified microglia (arrow) double labeled for Iba1 (green) and BrdU (red). This cell was located in the area surrounding the tumor.

2.5.6 Macrophage depletion increases glioma growth

To confirm the role of glioma-associated macrophages, we attempted to deplete them by exploiting the proliferative ability of these cells and their precursors. More precisely, we used transgenic mice expressing a mutated form of the herpes simplex virus 1 thymidine kinase (TK^{mt-30}) gene under the control of the myeloid-specific CD11b promoter [147]. In these mice, it is possible to deplete macrophages by the administration of GCV, a prodrug that is converted by the viral TK to nucleotide analogues, which kill proliferating cells by inhibiting DNA synthesis. CD11b- TK^{mt-30} mice on a B6 background were implanted with GL261 cells, and the tumors were allowed to grow for 7 days (Fig. 9a). Thereafter, mice were injected twice daily for 6 days with GCV or vehicle before being sacrificed. This treatment resulted in a 45% depletion of glioma-associated macrophages, as determined by stereological analysis (Fig. 9b-d). In agreement with our previous observations suggesting a beneficial role for macrophages in glioma development [87], we found that the tumors were 33% larger in GCV-treated mice (Fig. 9e), and negatively correlated with macrophage density (Fig. 9f). As expected, no difference in macrophage density ($33,710 \pm 3,704$ cells/mm³ versus $30,238 \pm 4,141$; Student's *t* test, $P = 0.55$; $n = 5$ per group) and glioma volume (5.1 ± 0.7 mm³ versus 4.9 ± 0.8 ; Student's *t* test, $P = 0.85$; $n = 5$ per group) was detected in non-transgenic mice treated with GCV compared to vehicle-treated controls.

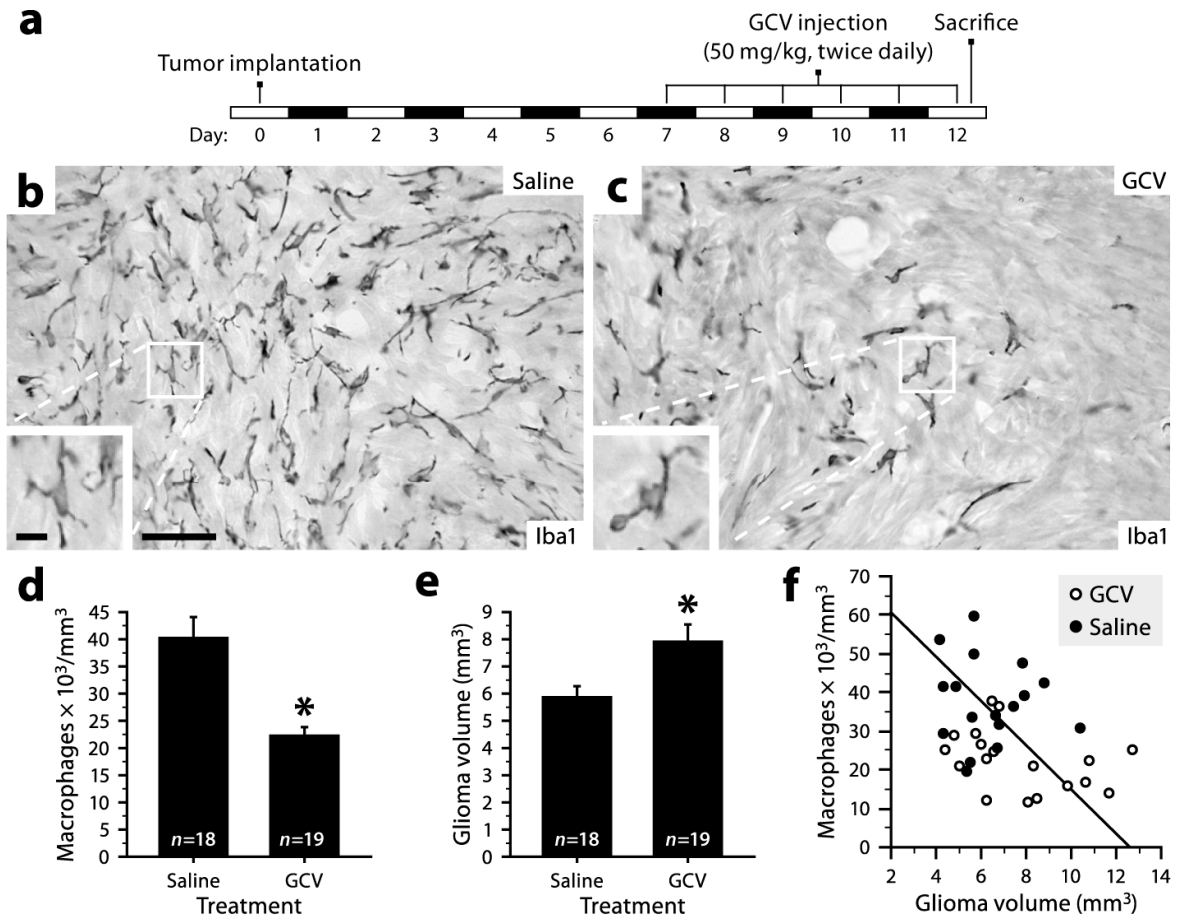


Figure 9. Macrophage depletion increases glioma growth.

a, Schematic representation of the experiment.

b, c, Immunoperoxidase staining for Iba1 showing glioma-associated macrophages in CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice treated with saline or GCV, respectively. Scale bars: 50 μm (main image), 10 μm (insert).

d, Stereological analysis revealed a 45% reduction in the number of glioma-associated macrophages in GCV-treated CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice. *Student's *t* test, $P < 0.0001$.

e, A 33% increase in glioma volume was found in GCV-treated CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice, as determined by the Cavalieri method. *Student's *t* test, $P = 0.016$.

f, The number of macrophages was inversely proportional to glioma volume (Pearson correlation, $P = 0.0054$, $R = -0.45$). Each data point represents a mouse treated with GCV (white circle) or saline (black circle).

To examine whether the increase in glioma growth observed after macrophage depletion was due to a reduction in the recruitment of antitumor T cells, brain sections from GCV-treated mice and their controls were hybridized for TNF mRNA or immunostained for CD3 ϵ . We found that the numbers of TNF-expressing macrophages and T cells were decreased in GCV-treated mice (Fig. 10a-c), and positively correlated to each other (Fig. 10d). Consistently, there was also a direct relationship between the total numbers of macrophages and T cells (Fig. 10e). This effect on T cells was unlikely to be direct, because T cells collected from the spleens of CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice and cultured in the presence of interleukin-2 did not differ in number after a 4-day exposure to GCV at a concentration as high as 10 μ M, as compared with untreated cells ($11,444 \pm 1,656$ versus $10,336 \pm 1,656$; Student's *t* test, $P = 0.65$; $n = 5$ per group). Surprisingly, we observed no correlation between T cell density and glioma volume (Fig. 10f), contrary to what we found in TNF-knockout mice and their wild-type controls (Fig. 7f). The most likely explanation for this discrepancy is that GL261 cells, which originate from a B6 mouse, are more immunogenic and trigger a more robust adaptive immune response when implanted in a mixed genetic background compared to a pure B6 background. In support of this possibility, we found that glioma-infiltrating T cells were 8.3-fold more numerous in B6 \times 129S mice compared to B6 mice ($199,038 \pm 4,7441$ T cells/mm³ versus $24,059 \pm 4,063$). Altogether, these results suggest that T cells did not mediate the antitumor effect of macrophages observed in CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice.

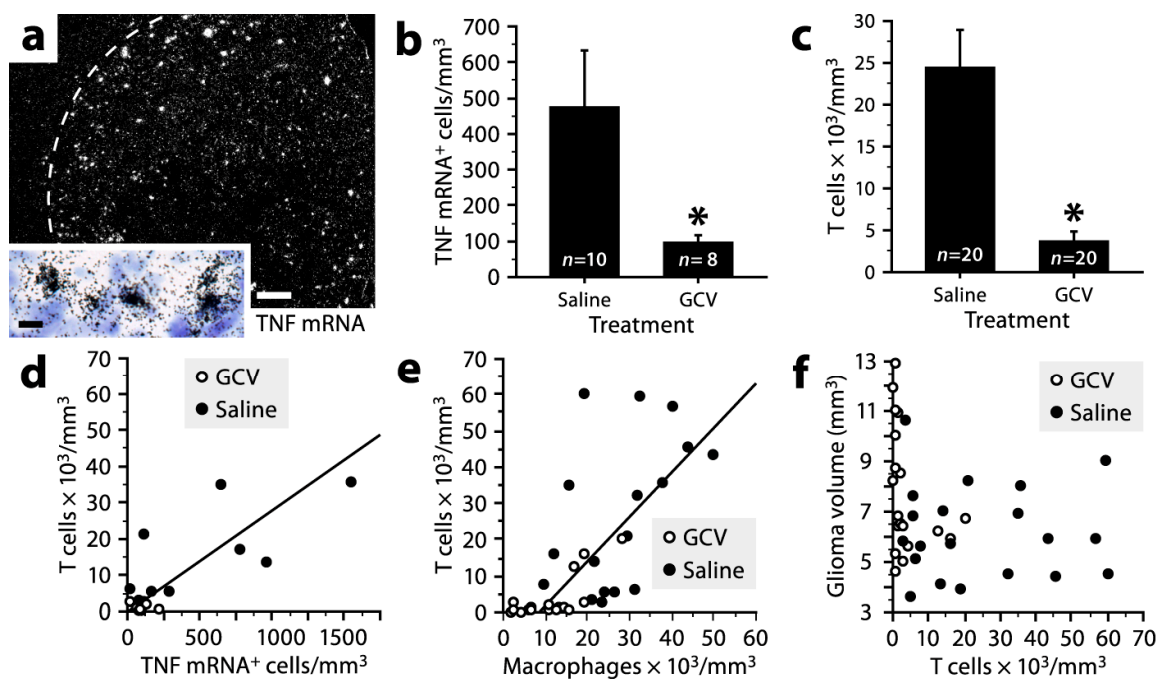


Figure 10. Reduction in TNF-expressing cells and T lymphocytes in macrophage-depleted gliomas.

a, Dark-field (main image) and bright-field (insert) photomicrographs of *in situ* hybridization signals for TNF mRNA in a 2-week glioma. The dashed line delimits the tumor area (right side). Blue, thionin counterstaining. Scale bars: 200 μm (main image), 10 μm (insert).

b, Stereological analysis showed a 5-fold reduction in the number of TNF mRNA⁺ cells in gliomas from CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice treated with GCV. Welch *t* test, $P = 0.042$.

c, A 6.7-fold reduction in the number of glioma-infiltrating T cells was detected in CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice treated with GCV. *Welch *t* test, $P = 0.0002$.

d-f, Pearson correlation analyses showed that the number of glioma-infiltrating T cells correlated positively with that of TNF mRNA⁺ cells ($P < 0.0001$, $R = 0.79$) and macrophages ($P = 0.0002$, $R = 0.58$), but not with glioma volume ($P = 0.066$).

2.5.7 Phenotypic characterization of glioma-infiltrating leukocytes

We sought to exclude the possibility that our results were due to a depletion of immune cells other than macrophages and T cells, especially granulocytes and natural killer cells, which are known to express CD11b [162]. As we failed to detect unequivocally these cells by immunohistochemistry, we reasoned that, if they were actually absent from our specimen, the proportion of macrophages among the total leukocyte population should be equal the proportion of Iba1⁺ cells over the sum of Iba1⁺ (40,219 /mm³) and CD3⁺ cells (24,423/mm³) found in vehicle-treated CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice (Fig. 9d and 10c), i.e., 62%. In addition, almost all CD11b⁺ cells should express antigens that are highly specific for macrophages, including Iba1 and F4/80. To test these expectations, we immunostained glioma sections with antibodies directed against these markers or the leukocyte common antigen CD45 (Fig. 11). Confocal microscopic analysis revealed that 64% of the CD45⁺ cells within the tumors expressed Iba1, which is similar to the expected 62%. Furthermore, the vast majority of the CD11b⁺ cells (> 99%) expressed Iba1 and F4/80 (and vice versa), and none of the leucocytes examined, except one (Fig. 11u-x), had a multilobed nucleus typical of granulocytes. Together, these results indicate that macrophages and T cells are virtually the only immune cells that infiltrate GL261 gliomas, excluding a significant influence of other immune cells on our results.

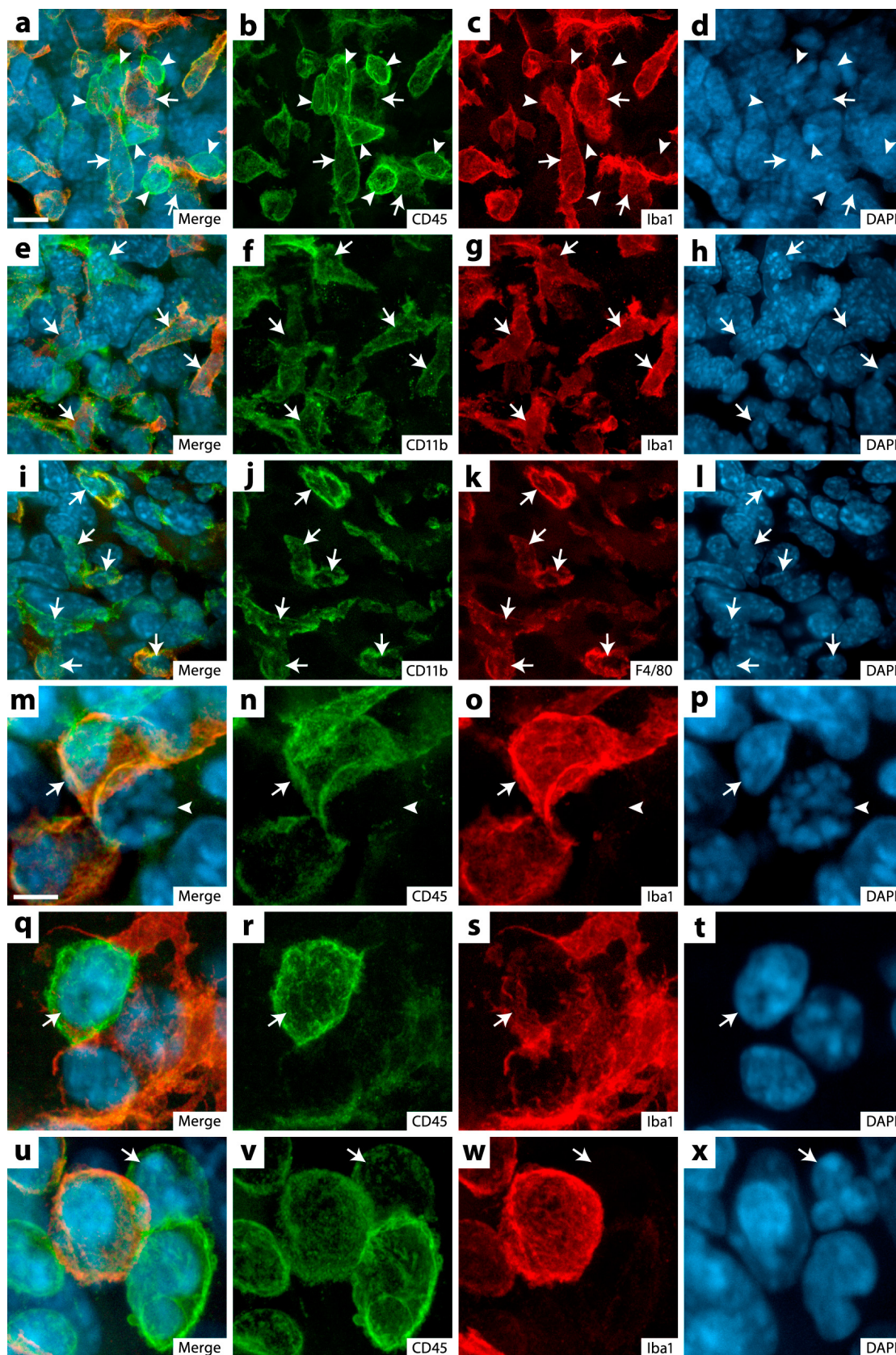


Figure 11. Phenotypic characterization of glioma-infiltrating leukocytes.

a-d, Confocal images showing glioma-infiltrating leukocytes expressing the panhematopoietic marker CD45 (green). Note the associations between Iba1⁺ macrophages (arrows, red) and Iba1⁻ cells (arrowheads), which are most likely T lymphocytes. Blue, DAPI-stained nuclei. Scale bar: 10 μ m (a-l).

e-h, Macrophages (arrows) coexpressing CD11b (green) and Iba1 (red).

i-l, Macrophages (arrows) coexpressing CD11b (green) and F4/80 (red).

m-p, Higher magnification of a macrophage (arrow) that seems to interact with a cell showing a pyknotic nucleus (arrowhead). Scale bar: 5 μ m (m-x).

q-t, An Iba1⁻ leukocyte (arrow) with a typical round nucleus surrounded by cytoplasmic processes of macrophages.

u-x, An Iba1⁻ leukocyte (arrow) showing a multilobed nucleus that resembles that of a granulocyte.

2.5.8 Physical interaction between macrophages and glioma cells

To provide evidence of the ability of macrophages to kill glioma cells, we implanted B6 mice with GL261 cells transduced with a lentiviral vector expressing GFP. Confocal imaging of brain sections immunostained for Iba1 revealed that most glioma cells were surrounded by macrophages with which many of them established physical contacts (Fig. 12 a-f). However, we found only one clear example of macrophages that was phagocytosing glioma cell fragments (Fig. 12 g-j), and very few glioma cells (~7 per section) completely wrapped by macrophage processes (Fig. 12 k-r). Glioma cells showing signs of apoptosis (e.g., pyknotic nucleus) were rarely observed (< 1 per section; Fig. 12 o-r). These observations suggest that macrophages can physically interact with glioma cells, but that their antitumor activity is unlikely to be due to tumor cell killing.

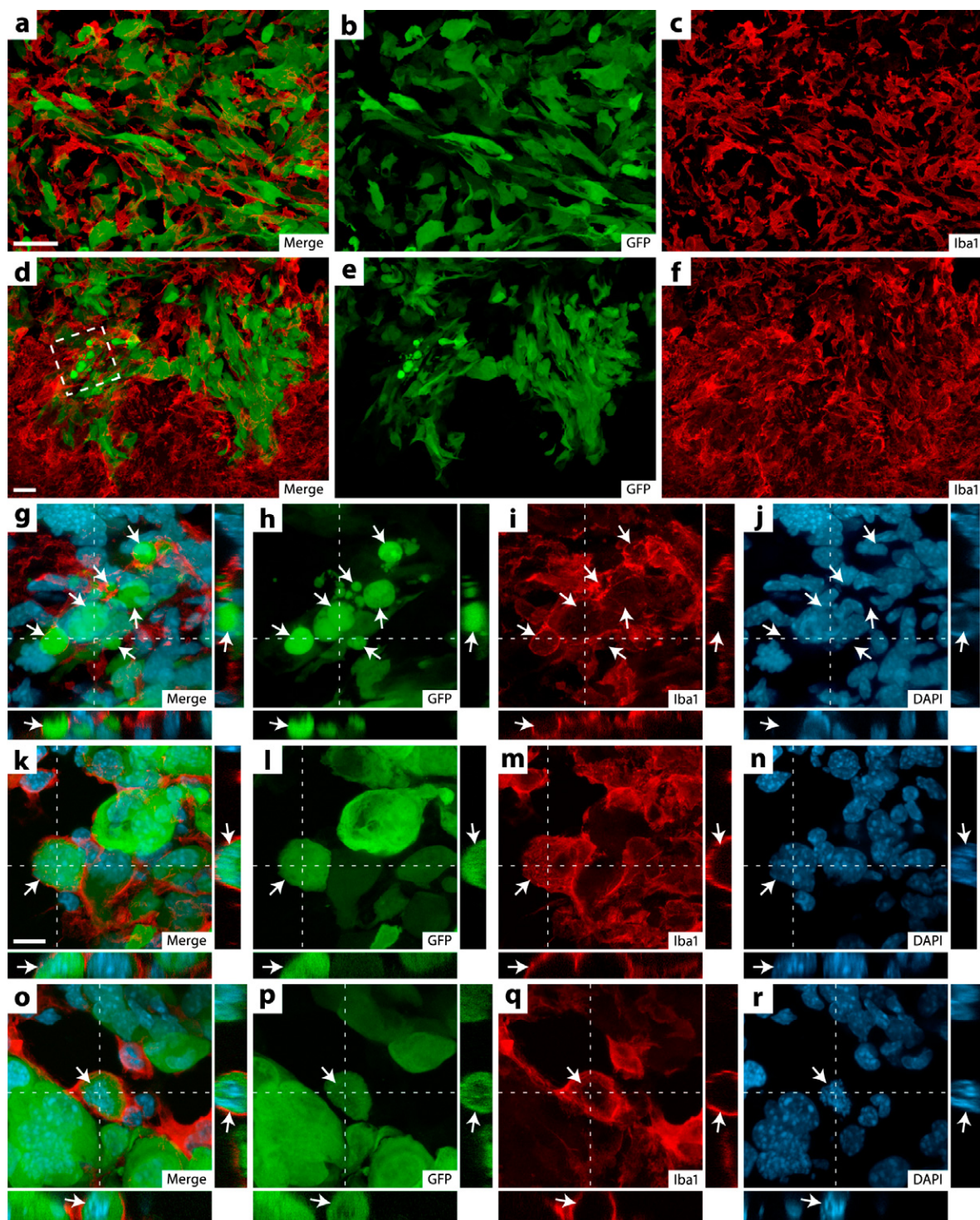


Figure 12. Physical interaction between macrophages and glioma cells.

a-c, Confocal images taken near the center of a tumor showing glioma cells (green), transduced *ex vivo* with a GFP-expressing lentiviral vector, surrounded by Iba1⁺ macrophages (red). Scale bar: 50 μm (a-c).

d-f, Glioma cells (green) associated with macrophages (red) at the invasive border of a tumor. Scale bar: 25 μm (d-f).

g-r, Higher magnification of the area within the dashed box in d showing macrophages engulfing glioma cell fragments (arrows). Blue, DAPI-stained nuclei. The rectangle images at the right and bottom of the main images are optical z-sections taken at the level of the dashed lines. Scale bar: 10 μm (g-r).

k-n and **o-r,** Two examples of glioma cells (arrows) completely wrapped by macrophage processes, one with an apparently normal nucleus (n) and the other with a pyknotic nucleus (r).

2.6 Discussion

Accumulating evidence suggests that cancer cells that have escaped immune surveillance can exploit macrophages for their own benefit [72, 76, 118, 119, 157]. For example, it has been proposed that tumor-associated macrophages promote angiogenesis by secreting VEGF or other cytokines with direct or indirect proangiogenic activity. These cells could also facilitate tumor cell invasion and metastasis by releasing matrix-degrading enzymes such as the gelatinase MMP-9. Although this concept seems to be true for different cancers, including those of the breast and lung [72, 76, 118, 119, 157], the present study suggests that it does not apply to all tumors, especially gliomas. On the contrary, we found that gliomas develop faster when macrophages are compromised, suggesting that the sum of their antitumor effects are greater than that of their protumor effects, if any. This functional difference between glioma-associated macrophages and those that populate peripheral tumors may lie, at least in part, in the fact that gliomas do not metastasize outside the nervous system and do not depend on angiogenesis to grow, but rather on an alternative process called vessel co-option [15, 17, 163], in which macrophages are probably not essential.

Our results are in apparent contradiction with clinical studies indicating that a high macrophage content correlates with poor prognosis [143]. However, considering the variable nature of human brain tumors, these studies do not necessarily mean that macrophages promote glioma growth, and may instead suggest that aggressive gliomas are somewhat more immunogenic than low-grade gliomas. Alternatively, it may be that aggressive gliomas cause more severe cellular and physiological disturbances (e.g., neuronal degeneration, edema formation, extracellular matrix remodeling), which would induce the recruitment of a higher number of macrophages to clean up the cellular debris and protect the adjacent normal tissue. Another possibility is that the density of macrophages is determined in part by that of the tumor cells, as it is suggested by the observation that the proportion of macrophages in GL261 gliomas (~8%) is similar to that of microglia in the normal nervous system [87]. This theory would explain why

macrophages were found in larger numbers in high-grade gliomas, which tend to be more homogeneous and densely packed than lower grade tumors [8, 164].

The present study leads us to conclude that macrophages use different mechanisms to slow glioma growth depending on the immunogenicity of the tumor. When it is weakly or not immunogenic, they act without the aid of lymphocytes, suggesting that they could be equipped to directly recognize and kill glioma cells. However, this idea is not supported by the fact that we observed only rare glioma cells being phagocytosed by macrophages or showing apoptotic features. Alternatively, we propose that the antitumor effect of macrophages results from a neuroprotective activity. This hypothesis derives from the property of malignant gliomas to infiltrate the surrounding tissue by causing its destruction. Indeed, it has been reported that glioma cells produce toxic levels of glutamate that facilitate their progression, an effect that can be blocked by the administration of the glutamate receptor antagonist MK801 [165]. Similarly, other potentially toxic molecules secreted by tumor cells or derived from plasma that penetrates the parenchyma through a damaged blood-brain barrier could promote glioma cell invasion. It is possible that macrophages reduce the invasive potential of glioma cells by protecting the surrounding tissue from the accumulation of toxic substances, and by attempting to maintain its structural integrity. Further investigation will be required to validate and characterize this mechanism.

In the case of immunogenic gliomas, our previous [87] and present findings indicate that macrophages contribute to the development of the adaptive antitumor immune response, at least in part, by producing TNF. This cytokine seems to act mainly by increasing the number of infiltrating T cells with potential antitumor activity, but whether this effect is due to an increase in their recruitment, proliferation and/or survival is a question that remains to be addressed. As observed in this study, it has been reported that tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes can physically interact with macrophages, suggesting tumor antigen cross-presentation [166]. Although the magnitude of adaptive immunity may greatly vary depending on the nature of the tumor, its importance is underscored by an early clinical study that found an association between the presence of infiltrating lymphocytes and longer survival [145]. More recently, it has been reported that the production levels of

cytotoxic T cells by the thymus inversely correlates with tumor recurrence and mortality in glioblastoma patients and accounts for the effect of age on their prognosis, suggesting that T cells exert one of the strongest known influences on glioblastoma progression [146]. These observations should be taken into account when considering the administration of certain anti-inflammatory drugs to patients with brain tumors, especially anti-TNF agents, which have recently been associated with an increased risk of malignancies [167]. More importantly, they call for a reevaluation of the routine use of dexamethasone in the management of brain tumor-associated edema. Because this synthetic glucocorticoid can suppress cytokine signaling and induce T cell apoptosis [168, 169], it may be useful to develop a more specific drug able to mimic dexamethasone's beneficial properties without affecting the antitumor immune mechanisms. Such a drug would have the added advantage of being compatible with future immunotherapy.

In conclusion, this study demonstrates that macrophages play beneficial roles against gliomas, either directly or indirectly by recruiting T cells with potential antitumor activity. It raises hope that one day macrophage activity could be therapeutically augmented to control or eradicate malignant brain tumors. This possibility will require a better understanding of the mechanisms underlying the antitumor effects of macrophages, and the strategies used by glioma cells to counter them. This study also validates CD11b-TK^{mt-30} mice as a tool to investigate the role of macrophages in cancer development.

Chapitre 3: L'inhibition de l'angiopoïétine 2 par la dexaméthasone ou une protéine de fusion peptide-Fc réduit la croissance des gliomes

“Blockade of angiopoietin 2 with dexamethasone or a peptide-Fc fusion protein reduces glioma growth”

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3.1 Résumé

Tous les patients atteints de glioblastomes, la forme la plus agressive et la plus commune de tumeurs cérébrales, développent de l'œdème. Cette complication est couramment traitée avec de la dexaméthasone, un agent anti-inflammatoire stéroïdien dont les effets sur le cerveau sont encore mal compris. Nous avons démontré que la dexaméthasone peut réduire la croissance de gliomes implantés chez la souris même si cet agent engendre une diminution du nombre de lymphocytes T infiltrant la tumeur. Plus précisément, les cellules T auxiliaires (T_H) ou cytotoxiques étaient sensibles à la dexaméthasone à l'inverse des populations de cellules CD4 et CD8 négatives, incluant les cellules T $\gamma\delta$ et les NKT. L'effet antinéoplasique de la dexaméthasone était indirect puisqu'il n'affectait pas la croissance et le profil d'expression génique des cellules de gliomes *in vitro*. Au contraire, plusieurs centaines de gènes sensibles à la dexaméthasone, notamment l'angiopoïétine 2 (Angpt2), jouant un rôle dans le remodelage vasculaire, ont été identifiés dans des cellules endothéliales du cerveau par microarray. L'habileté de la dexaméthasone à inhiber l'expression de l'Angpt-2 a été confirmée *in vitro* et *in vivo*. L'inhibition de l'Angpt-2 par un anticorps synthétique a permis de réduire la croissance des gliomes et l'élargissement vasculaire de façon plus significative que la dexaméthasone sans affecter l'infiltration de lymphocytes T. En somme, cette étude a permis d'identifier un mécanisme par lequel la dexaméthasone peut atténuer la croissance des gliomes, fournissant une nouvelle cible thérapeutique pour les tumeurs cérébrales malignes. Ces résultats suggèrent aussi que l'élaboration d'immunothérapies basées sur l'utilisation de cellules T $\gamma\delta$ ou NKT pourraient être bénéfiques pour les patients traités avec des glucocorticoïdes.

3.2 Abstract

All patients with glioblastoma, the most aggressive and common form of brain cancer, develop cerebral edema. This complication is routinely treated with dexamethasone, a steroidal anti-inflammatory drug whose effects on brain tumors are not fully understood. Here we show that dexamethasone can reduce the growth of an experimental glioma in mice, even though it depletes infiltrating T cells with potential antitumor activity. More precisely, T cells with helper or cytotoxic function were sensitive to dexamethasone, but not those that were negative for the CD4 and CD8 molecules, including gammadelta and natural killer (NK) T cells. The antineoplastic effect of dexamethasone was indirect, as it did not meaningfully affect the growth and gene expression profile of glioma cells in vitro. In contrast, hundreds of dexamethasone-sensitive genes, notably angiopoietin 2 (Angpt2), which is involved in vascular remodeling, were identified in cultured cerebral endothelial cells by microarray analysis. The ability of dexamethasone to inhibit Angpt2 expression in glioma endothelium was confirmed in vitro and in vivo. Selective neutralization of Angpt2 using a synthetic antibody reduced glioma growth and vascular enlargement to a greater extent than dexamethasone, without affecting T cell infiltration. In summary, this study identifies a mechanism by which dexamethasone can attenuate glioma growth, providing a new therapeutic target for malignant brain tumors. It also suggests that cancer immunotherapy based on gammadelta or NK T cells might be beneficial in patients treated with glucocorticoids.

3.3 Introduction

Brain tumors are a leading cause of cancer-related death in children and young adults [1]. The most frequent and aggressive brain tumor, glioblastoma, carries a very poor prognosis, with a median survival of about a year, despite radical treatments, including surgical resection, irradiation and chemotherapy [170, 171]. New, more targeted approaches, such as immunotherapy, antiangiogenic therapy and gene therapy, have shown promise in experimental models, but their effectiveness in clinical settings remains to be proven [170, 172-174].

Vascular edema is a serious complication of brain tumors [175]. It results from the disruption of the blood-brain barrier, allowing plasma to enter the interstitial space [176]. Because this condition can cause neurological deficits and death, patients with brain tumors are treated with dexamethasone [32], a synthetic glucocorticoid with broad anti-inflammatory actions. Although this drug is routinely used since decades in the management of cerebral edema, its precise mechanism of action is still poorly understood, but is thought to result in a reduction in the permeability of tumor capillaries and/or an increase in the clearance of extracellular fluid. Despite its usefulness, dexamethasone can produce many side effects, including Cushing's syndrome, myopathy (muscle weakness, wasting) and opportunistic infections (e.g., *Pneumocystis carinii* pneumonitis) [36]. Furthermore, recent studies suggest that dexamethasone can potentially interfere with current and prospective anticancer treatments. For example, it has been shown that dexamethasone protects glioma cells from the chemotherapeutic agent temozolomide [177, 178] reduces the bystander effect of the thymidine kinase/ganciclovir system in suicide-gene therapy [179], and inhibits the antitumor effect of interleukin-4 when delivered using retroviruses [180].

An interesting feature of brain tumors is that they are infiltrated by immune cells with potential antitumor activity, particularly macrophages and T lymphocytes. Despite their presence in large numbers, these cells are normally unable to eradicate malignant tumors, but some evidence suggests that they can slow their progression to some extent. For example, we have shown in mice that glioma-associated macrophages, by expressing the

cytokine tumor necrosis factor, promote their own recruitment and reduce glioma growth through a process that culminates in the formation of microcysts [87]. The exact mechanism by which macrophages can mount an attack against glioma cells is unclear, but possibly involves contact-dependent interactions, the secretion of cytotoxic and cytostatic humoral factors, and/or the recruitment of effector T cells. The ability of the latter to reduce glioma growth is suggested by an early clinical study that found an association between the presence of tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes and longer survival [145]. More recently, it has been reported that the production levels of cytotoxic T cells by the thymus inversely correlates with tumor recurrence and mortality in glioblastoma patients and accounts for the effect of age on their prognosis, suggesting that T cells exert one of the strongest known influences on glioblastoma progression [146].

Considering that glucocorticoids can suppress cytokine signaling and induce T cell apoptosis [168, 169], the question arises as to whether dexamethasone may facilitate the growth of brain tumors by interfering with antitumor immune responses. In the present study, we have tested this hypothesis and report that dexamethasone can, on the contrary, slow glioma growth, even though it depletes infiltrating T cells. Through the combined use of *in vitro* and *in vivo* techniques, we provide evidence that dexamethasone exerts this antitumor effect by acting on the tumor endothelium through a mechanism involving down-regulation of the angiogenic factor Angpt2.

3.4 Methods

3.4.1 Intracerebral implantation of glioma cells

Eight week-old male C57BL/6 mice (Charles River Laboratories, Montréal, Québec, Canada) were anesthetized, shaved and immobilized in a stereotaxic frame. A midline incision was made on the scalp, followed by a circular craniotomy over the right hemisphere, 1.7 mm lateral and 1 mm rostral from bregma. After removal of the dura mater, a 5- μ l Hamilton syringe fitted with a 27-gauge beveled needle was advanced into the caudoputamen at a depth of 3.5 mm from the skull surface. Using a UMPII micropump (World Precision Instruments, Saratoga, Florida), 2 μ l of Dulbecco's phosphate-buffered saline (DPBS; Invitrogen, Carlsbad, California) containing 5×10^4 viable GL261 cells were injected over 2 min. After the injection, the syringe was left in place for 2 min before being withdrawn very slowly.

3.4.2 Dexamethasone treatment

From the day of tumor implantation to the day of death, mice were injected intraperitoneally twice daily with 0.1 or 1.0 mg/kg dexamethasone phosphate (Sabex, Boucherville, Québec, Canada) diluted in saline. Control mice were treated identically, except that dexamethasone was substituted by saline.

3.4.3 L1-10 treatment

From the day of tumor implantation to the day of death, mice were injected subcutaneously every other day with 4 mg/kg L1-10 (kindly provided by Amgen, Thousand Oaks, California) diluted in PBS. Control mice were treated identically, except that dexamethasone was substituted by PBS.

3.4.4 Survival analysis

After tumor implantation, mice were monitored daily and killed when any of the following criteria were observed: >20% weight loss, paralysis or lethargy. The survival time was calculated from the day of tumor implantation to the day of euthanasia or death. The Kaplan-Meier method was used to create survival curves, which were compared using the log-rank test.

3.4.5 Flow cytometry

Twenty days after tumor implantation, mice were anesthetized and transcardially perfused with DPBS for 5 min. The tumors were dissected out, minced with razor blades in DPBS containing 2% goat serum, processed with the Medimachine (Dako, Carpinteria, California) and filtered through 40- μ m nylon mesh. Myelin debris were removed by centrifugation through 35% Percoll. The cells were rinsed, blocked for 5 min with 5 μ g/ml anti-CD16/CD32 antibody (BD Biosciences, San Diego, California) and stained for 30 min on ice with combinations of the following rat antibodies (2 μ g/ml each; all from BD Biosciences): CD11b-Alexa 488 (clone M1/70), CD3 ϵ -Alexa 488 (clone 145-2C11), CD4-APC (clone RM4-5), CD4-PE (clone H129.19), CD8a-APC (clone 53-6.7), NK-1.1-PE (clone PK136), TCR β -PE (clone H57-597) and TCR $\gamma\delta$ -PE (clone GL3). Apoptotic cells (annexin V⁺, propidium iodide⁻) were labeled using the Vybrant Apoptosis Assay Kit #2 (Molecular Probes, Eugene, Oregon). Cells were analyzed using a two-laser, four-color FACSCalibur flow cytometer and CellQuest Pro software (BD Biosciences).

3.4.6 Histological preparation

For all histological analyses except in situ hybridization, mice were transcardially perfused with 10 ml of saline, followed by ice-cold 4% paraformaldehyde in phosphate buffer, pH 7.4, over 10 min. The brains were removed, postfixed for 4 h at 4 °C, then cryoprotected overnight in 50 mM potassium phosphate-buffered saline (KPBS) supplemented with 20% sucrose. Series of sections through the tumors were cut at 40 μ m using a freezing microtome, collected in cryoprotectant (30% ethylene glycol, 20% glycerol, 50 mM sodium phosphate buffer, pH 7.4) and stored at -20°C until analysis. For in situ hybridization, the following modifications were applied: 1) the fixative was

dissolved in borate buffer, pH 9.5, instead of phosphate buffer; 2) the brains were postfixed for 48 h before being cryoprotected overnight in the same fixative supplemented with 20% sucrose; and 3) the tumors were cut at 30 μm .

3.4.7 Immunostaining

Immunohistochemistry was performed as described previously [87] using the following primary antibodies: rabbit anti-Iba1 (1:2000; Wako Chemicals, Richmond, Virginia), rat anti-CD3 ϵ (1:500; Serotec, Raleigh, North Carolina) and rat anti-CD31 (1:1000; BD Biosciences).

3.4.8 In situ hybridization

Transcripts were detected by radioisotopic in situ hybridization according to a previously described protocol [161]. Briefly, sections were mounted onto Superfrost slides (Fisher Scientific, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), postfixed with 4% paraformaldehyde in borate buffer, pH 9.5, for 20 min, digested with 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ proteinase K at 37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 25 min, acetylated with 0.25% acetic anhydride for 10 min and dehydrated. Antisense and sense cRNA probes were transcribed from linearized cDNAs (Supplementary Table 3) in the presence of [35S]-UTP and [35S]-CTP (Perkin- Elmer, Foster City, California), purified by phenol-chloroform extraction and ammonium acetate- ethanol precipitation, then applied to the slides at a concentration of 2×10^7 cpm/ml in hybridization buffer (50% formamide, 0.3 M NaCl, 10 mM Tris, pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA, 1 \times Denhardt's solution, 10% dextran sulfate, 2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ tRNA and 10 mM dithiothreitol). After overnight incubation at 60 $^{\circ}\text{C}$, the slides were treated with 20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ ribonuclease A for 30 min at 37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$, washed in a solution containing 15 mM NaCl and 1.5 mM sodium citrate for 30 min at 65 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ and dehydrated. After film autoradiography, slides were defatted in xylene, dipped into Kodak NTB2 emulsion, exposed at 4 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 7 (Tnc, MMP2) or 14 (Angpt2, ESM1, TGF β 2, VEGFa) days, developed in Kodak D19 developer for 3.5 min at 14-16 $^{\circ}\text{C}$, fixed in Kodak rapid fixer for 5 min, counterstained with 0.25% thionin, dehydrated and coverslipped.

3.4.9 Quantitative histological analyses

For all the analyses, systematically sampled sections (every 10th section through the tumors) were examined in a blinded manner using a Stereo Investigator system (Microbrightfield, Colchester, Vermont) with a Nikon E800 microscope.

Tumor volume was estimated from thionin-stained sections by the Cavalieri method. Using a 2× Plan Apochromat objective (numerical aperture 0.1), a point grid of 200 × 200 μm was overlaid on each section and the points that fell within the tumor were counted. Point counts were converted to volume estimates taking into account sampling frequency, magnification, grid size and section thickness.

Labeled cells were counted by the optical fractionator method. Tumor tissue was traced using a 2× objective and sampled using a 60× Plan Apochromat oil objective (numerical aperture 1.4). The counting parameters were as follow: distance between counting frames, 400 × 400 μm (Iba1+ cells) or 450 × 450 μm (CD3ε+ cells); counting frame size, 50 × 50 μm (Iba1+ cells) or 100 × 100 μm (CD3ε+ cells); disector height, 10 μm; guard zone thickness, ≥2 μm. Cells were counted only if their nuclei laid within the disector area, did not intersect forbidden lines and came into the focus as the optical plane moved through the height of the disector.

Tumor vessel density was evaluated from CD31-immunostained section by the area fraction fractionator method. Tumor tissue was traced using a 2× objective and sampled using a 40× Plan Apochromat oil objective (numerical aperture 0.95). The analysis parameters were as follows: counting frame size, 400 × 400 μm; distance between counting frame, 1000 × 1000 μm; grid size within counting frame, 35 × 35 μm. The number of points that fell on the vasculature in each counting frames were converted to area estimates taking into account sampling frequency, magnification and grid size.

Tumor vessel caliber was measured using the Quick Measure Line tool of Stereo Investigator. For unbiased sampling, a point grid of 325 × 325 μm was overlaid on each section and the vessel diameter was recorded systematically where points fell on the vasculature.

In situ hybridization signals for *Angpt2* were quantified at the single-cell level by optical densitometry. For unbiased sampling, all the tumor area was photographed (12-bit, grayscale) in dark-field microscopy using a 20× Plan objective and a Retiga EX monochrome camera (QImaging, Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada), and then one image out of three was used for quantification. The intensity of each hybridization signal on each image (100-150 per mouse) was analyzed with ImageJ software 1.36. To this end, the signal was circled using the round selection tool of a fixed dimension (50 × 50 pixels) and the mean optical intensity of that area was recorded. The value was subtracted from an average of 6 background measurements.

In situ hybridization signals for *MMP2* were quantified by exposing the slides to PhosphorImager screens (Molecular Dynamics, Sunnyvale, California) for 3 h, after which the screens were scanned using a Storm 860 PhosphorImager. The tumor area on each section was traced with the freehand selection tool of ImageJ and the mean optical intensity of that area was recorded.

3.4.10 Cell culture and RNA preparation

The glioma cell line GL261, originally derived from a B6 mice implanted intracerebrally with methylcholanthrene [158], was provided by Dr. Protul Shrikant (Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Buffalo, New York). The murine brain endothelial cell line bEnd.3 was obtained from American Type Culture Collection (Manassas, Virginia). Cells were cultured in 6-well plates for 24 h with Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (Wisent, Saint-Bruno, Québec, Canada) supplemented with 10% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum, 2 mM L-glutamine, 110 mg/L sodium pyruvate, 100 U/ml penicillin and 100 µg/ml streptomycin. Thereafter, the medium was replaced with fresh medium supplemented or not with different concentrations of dexamethasone or L1-10. For cell growth assay, GL261 cells were seeded at 10,000 cells/well, collected by trypsinization 3 or 5 days after drug addition and counted with an Epic XL flow cytometer (Coulter, Miami, Florida) by excluding dead cells by propidium iodide staining. For microarray and qRT-PCR analyses, cells were seeded at 50,000 (GL261) or 20,000 (dEnd.3) cells/well and total RNA was extracted, 24 h after stimulation, using the GenElute Mammalian Total RNA Miniprep Kit

(Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, Missouri). RNA integrity and yield were assessed by microcapillary electrophoresis (Bioanalyzer 2100, Agilent Technologies, Palo Alto, California).

3.4.11 Microarray analysis

RNA (12 ng) was converted to cDNA, which was amplified and transcribed to produce biotinylated cRNA using the Small Sample Labeling Protocol Version 2 (Affymetrix, Santa Clara, California). cRNA (15 µg) was fragmented and hybridized to Affymetrix Mouse Genome 430 2.0 arrays for 16 h at 45 °C with constant rotation at 60 rpm. The arrays were washed and stained with streptavidin-phycoerythrin (10 µg/ml; Molecular Probes) and biotinylated goat anti-streptavidin (3 mg/ml; Vector Laboratories, Burlingame, California) using the Affymetrix Fluidics Station 400 (protocol EukGE-WS2Av5), then read using the Affymetrix GeneChip Scanner 3000.

Microarray data were analyzed with the statistical software R (version 2.3.1; <http://www.r-project.org>) and add-on packages from the Bioconductor project (version 1.8; <http://www.bioconductor.org>). Briefly, after assessing array quality using the AffyPLM and AffyQCReport packages, the hybridization signals were background-corrected, normalized and summarized with the GCRMA package. To identify differentially expressed genes, empirical Bayes moderated t-statistics were computed with the LIMMA package, adjusting the corresponding P-values to control the false discovery rate at 5%. Annotations were obtained from the Affymetrix web site (www.affymetrix.com).

3.4.12 Real-time qRT-PCR

RNA (1.25 µg) was reverse transcribed for 10 min at 25 °C and 120 min at 42 °C using a random primer hexamer and Superscript II reverse transcriptase (Invitrogen). Quantitative PCR was conducted in duplicate in a final volume of 15 µl containing 1× Universal PCR Master Mix (Applied Biosystems, Foster City, California), 10 nM Z-tailed forward primer (Annexe I), 100 nM untailed reverse primer (Annexe I), 100 nM Amplifluor Uniprimer (Chemicon, Temecula, California) and 2 µl cDNA (40-50 ng/µl). Amplification was performed using the ABI PRISM 7900 sequence detector (Applied

Biosystems) under the following conditions: 2 min at 50 °C, 4 min at 95 °C, followed by 55 cycles of 15 sec at 95°C and 40 sec at 55 °C. Ribosomal 18S RNA or GAPDH mRNA was used as an internal control to normalize the expression levels of each transcript.

3.4.13 cDNA cloning

RNA (5 µg) from bEnd.3 cells was reverse transcribed for 50 min at 42 °C with Superscript II reverse transcriptase (Invitrogen). Partial cDNAs were PCR amplified with Platinum Pfx DNA polymerase (Invitrogen) and the primers listed in Supplementary Table 3. The PCR conditions consisted of an initial denaturation step (94 °C, 2 min), followed by 30 cycles of PCR reaction (94 °C for 15 sec, 63 °C for 30 sec, 68 °C for 100 sec), and then by a final extension step (68 °C, 2 min). Amplicons were cloned into the PCR-Blunt II-TOPO vector (Invitrogen) and automatically sequenced from both ends to confirm identity. Before riboprobe synthesis for in situ hybridization, the plasmids were linearized with restriction enzymes (Annexe II) and purified with the QIAquick PCR purification kit (Qiagen).

3.4.14 Statistical analysis

Unless otherwise stated, means were compared using the unpaired Student's t test or one-way ANOVA when the data met the assumptions of normality (Shapiro-Wilk W test) and homogeneity of variance (Levene's test). As an alternative, the Wilcoxon rank-sum or Kruskal-Wallis test was used when the distribution was abnormal or the Welch's t test or Welch's ANOVA when the variances were unequal. The Tukey-Kramer HSD or Dunn's test was used for parametric or nonparametric post hoc multiple comparisons, respectively. A two-way ANOVA, followed by the Tukey test, was used when more than one independent variable was being evaluated. Relationships between variables were assessed by Pearson correlation. All these tests used an alpha of 0.05 and were done with JMP software (SAS Institute, Cary, North Carolina) or Prism 4 (GraphPad Software, San Diego, California).

3.5 Results

3.5.1 Dexamethasone reduces glioma growth

To assess the effect of dexamethasone on glioma growth, we implanted GL261 glioma cells into the brains of syngeneic immunocompetent mice, and then treated the animals with either dexamethasone or vehicle. Some mice were killed after 20 days for histological analysis and the remaining mice were monitored for survival. We found that dexamethasone reduced glioma volume by 33% when given twice daily at 1 mg/kg (Fig. 13b), but not at a lower dose of 0.1 mg/kg (Student's t test, $P = 0.9$; data not shown). However, glioma-bearing mice treated with the highest dose of dexamethasone did not survive longer than control mice (Fig. 13c) and suffered from chronic weight loss (Fig. 13d). Therefore, these results indicate that dexamethasone can slow the growth of malignant gliomas, contrary to our expectation, but only at a relatively high concentration and without improving survival, perhaps due to a toxic side effect, such as muscle wasting or cachexia [181].

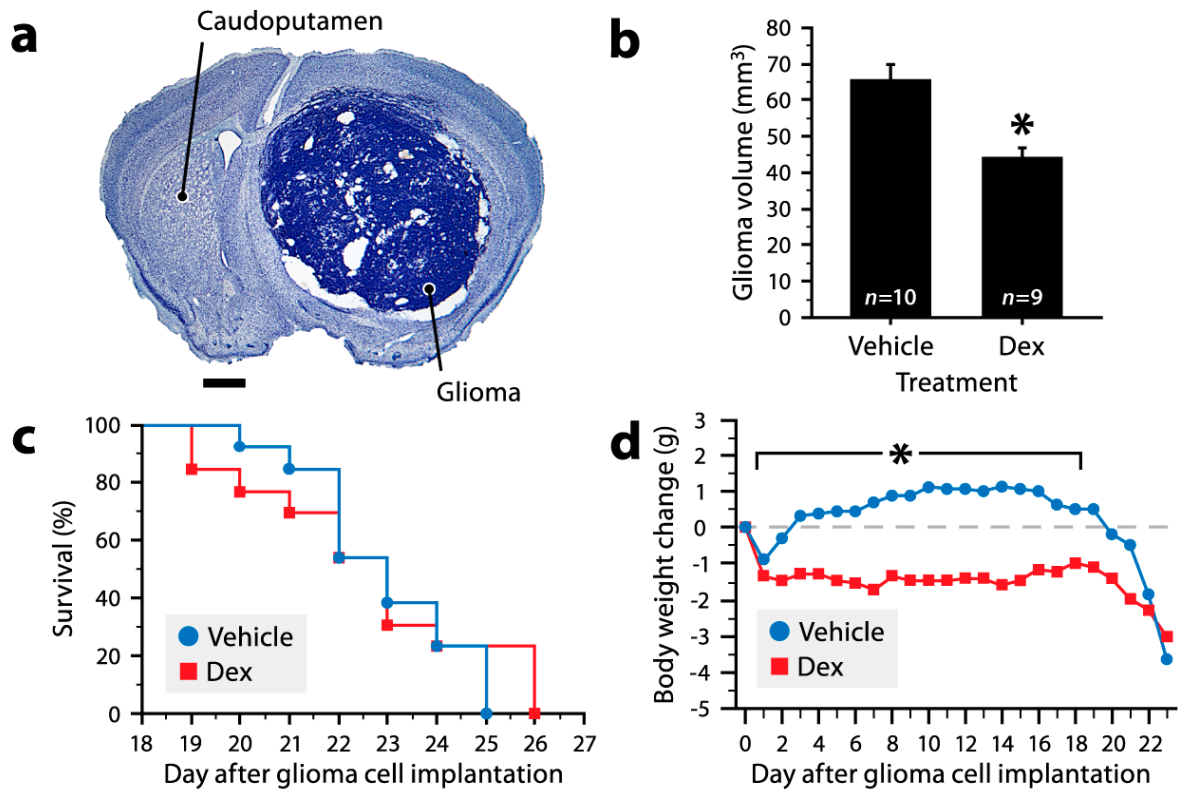


Figure 13. Dexamethasone reduces the growth of malignant gliomas in mice without increasing survival.

a, Representative section of a glioma stained with thionin from a mouse killed 20 days after implantation of GL261 cells into the right caudoputamen. Scale bar, 1mm.

b, Stereological analysis revealed a 33% decrease in glioma volume in mice injected twice daily with 1 mg/kg dexamethasone (Dex) compared to sham-treated mice. *Student's *t* test, $P=0.0008$. Data are mean \pm SE.

c, Kaplan-Meier curves showing no difference in the probability of survival between glioma-bearing mice treated or not with dexamethasone ($n = 13$ per group). Log-rank test, $P = 0.68$.

d, A chronic reduction in body weight was recorded in glioma-bearing mice treated with dexamethasone ($n = 13$ per group). *MANOVA with repeated measures ($P < 0.0001$) followed by Student's *t* tests ($P < 0.02$). Data are mean change in body weight from the day of tumor implantation.

3.5.2 Dexamethasone depletes tumor-infiltrating T lymphocytes

To determine whether dexamethasone had affected, as anticipated, the recruitment of immune cells into the tumors, we immunostained glioma sections for the T-cell marker CD3 ϵ (Fig. 14a,b) or the macrophage marker Iba1 (Fig. 14d,e). Stereological analysis revealed that dexamethasone (1 mg/kg, twice daily) reduced the density of T cells in the tumors by 51% (Fig. 14c), but not that of macrophages (Fig. 14f). To confirm this decrease and characterize the phenotype of infiltrating T cells, we repeated the experiment, except that tumors were exsanguinated and dissociated into single-cell suspensions for flow cytometric analysis. Multiple labeling with CD3 ϵ , CD4 and CD8 antibodies showed 3 predominant populations of T cells: CD4⁺ helper T cells, CD8⁺ cytotoxic T cells and double negative (CD4⁻CD8⁻) T cells (Fig. 15a-c). In gliomas not exposed to dexamethasone, these populations accounted for 45, 39 and 15% of the infiltrating T cells, respectively. In agreement with our histological observation, the overall number of infiltrating T cells was 43% lower in dexamethasone-treated mice (Fig. 15d). Interestingly, all populations of T cells were equally sensitive to dexamethasone, except double negative T cells, which were not affected at all (Fig. 15e). Further characterization showed that 42% of double negative T cells expressed the T cell receptor (TCR) β chain (Fig. 15f,i), while another 24% expressed the alternative TCR $\gamma\delta$ (Fig. 15g,i). Furthermore, 36% of double negative T cells were positive for the NK cell marker NK-1.1 (Fig. 15h,i), which correlated positively with TCR β (Fig. 15j), but negatively with TCR $\gamma\delta$ (Fig. 15k). Most double negative T cells were viable, as only 11% of them on average labeled positively for the apoptotic marker annexin V (data not shown). In summary, our results indicate that dexamethasone can reduce glioma growth, while depleting most infiltrating T cells with potential antitumor activity, except a subpopulation including gammadelta and NK T cells.

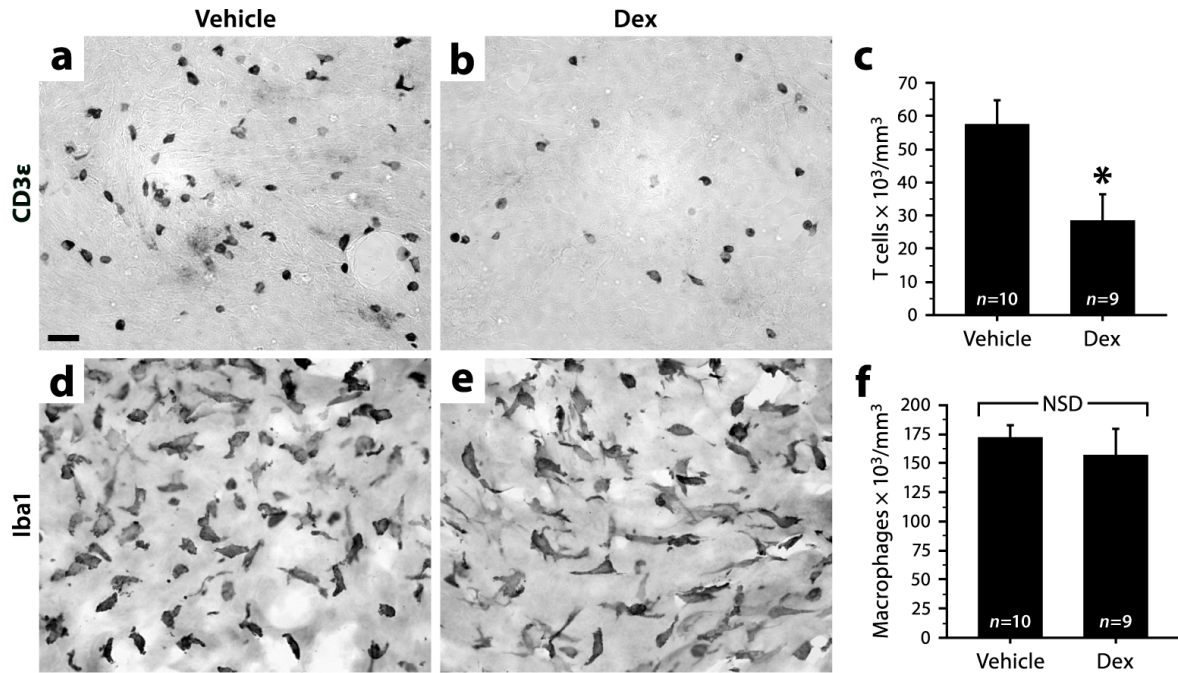


Figure 14. Dexamethasone depletes tumor-infiltrating T cells, but not macrophages.

a,b, T cells immunostained for CD3 ϵ in glioma sections from mice injected twice daily for 20 days with vehicle or 1 mg/kg dexamethasone (Dex), respectively. Scale bar: 20 μ m (*a,b,d,e*).

c, Stereological analysis revealed a 51% decrease in the number of tumor-infiltrating T cells in mice treated with dexamethasone. *Student's *t* test, $P < 0.017$. Data are mean \pm SE.

d,e, Macrophages immunostained for Iba1 in glioma sections from mice treated with vehicle or dexamethasone, respectively.

f, Stereological analysis showed no intergroup difference in the number of tumor-associated macrophages. Student's *t* test, $P = 0.5$. Data are mean \pm SE. NSD, not statistically different.

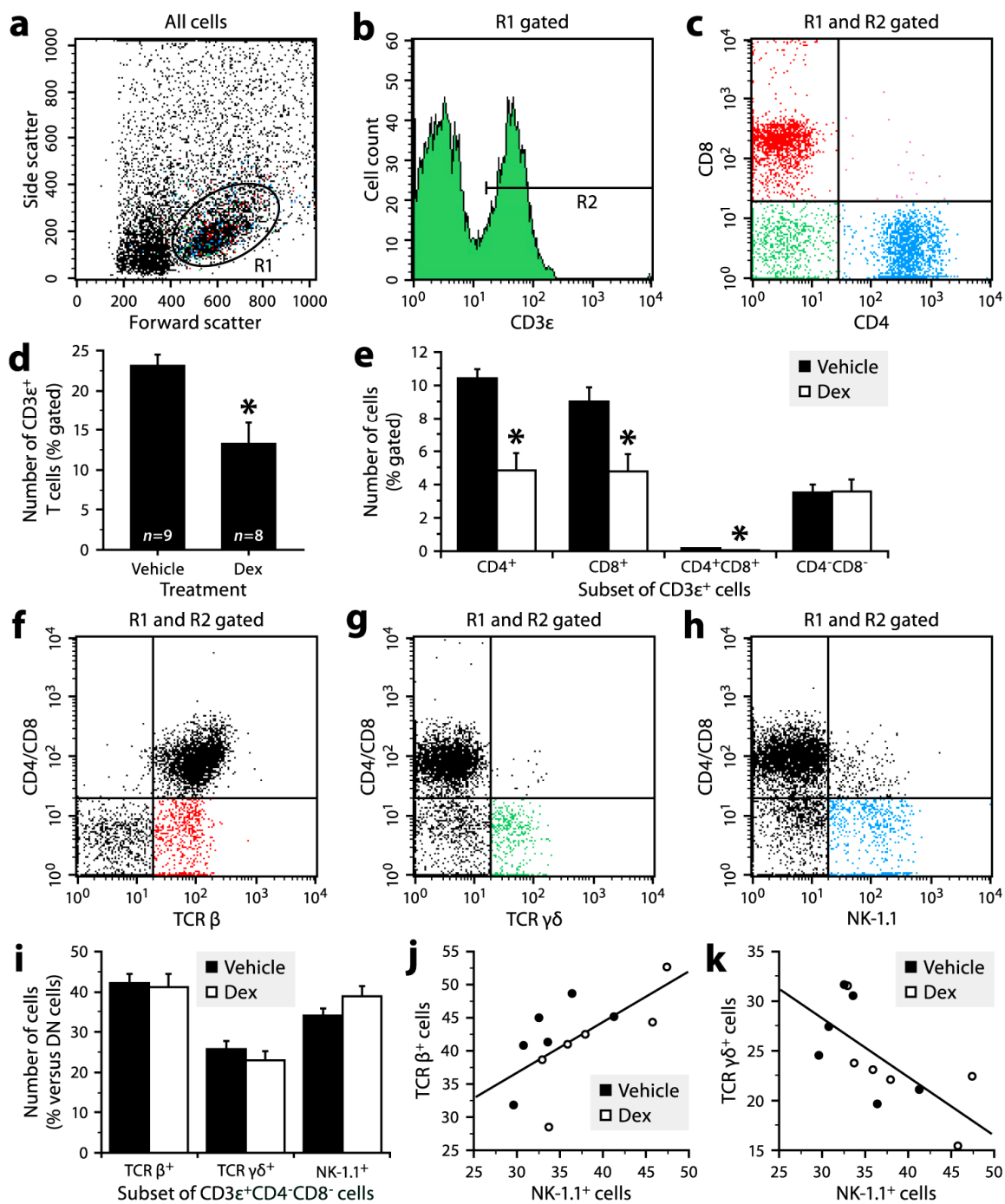


Figure 15. Dexamethasone selectively depletes tumor-infiltrating T cells with helper or cytotoxic function.

a-c, Flow cytometric analysis of cells isolated from a 20-day glioma showing 3 predominant populations of CD3 ϵ^+ T cells.

d, Cell counts revealed a 43% decrease in the overall number of CD3 ϵ^+ cells after treatment with dexamethasone (Dex; 1 mg/kg, twice daily). *Welch's *t* test, $P = 0.0067$. Data are mean \pm SE.

e, All populations of CD3 ϵ^+ T cells were sensitive to dexamethasone, except CD4 $^-$ CD8 $^-$ T cells. *Student's *t* test, $P \leq 0.02$. Data are mean \pm SE.

f-h, Phenotypic analysis showing CD3 ϵ^+ CD4 $^-$ CD8 $^-$ T cells positively labeled for TCR β (red), TCR $\gamma\delta$ (green) and NK-1.1 (blue).

i, Cell counts showed no change in the number of double negative (DN) T cells expressing TCR β , TCR $\gamma\delta$ or NK-1.1 after dexamethasone treatment. Student's *t* test, $P \geq 0.14$. Data are mean \pm SE.

j, k, The number of double negative T cells labeled for NK-1.1 correlated positively with that of TCR β^+ cells (Pearson correlation, $P = 0.022$, $R = 0.65$) and negatively with that of TCR $\gamma\delta^+$ cells (Pearson correlation, $P = 0.016$, $R = -0.68$).

3.5.3 GL261 cells are resistant to dexamethasone

Although it is unlikely that dexamethasone could be used in human at a dose high enough to inhibit brain tumor growth, we reasoned that understanding the mechanism by which dexamethasone exerts its antitumor effect might help to identify a more specific drug able to mimic its beneficial properties without its side effects. To begin exploring this mechanism, we cultured GL261 cells with or without dexamethasone for 3 or 5 days, after which the number of viable cells was counted by flow cytometry. As shown in Figure 16a, the growth of GL261 cells was not influenced by dexamethasone at a concentration as high as 1 $\mu\text{g/ml}$, suggesting that dexamethasone does not directly affect their proliferation and survival. To support this result and test whether dexamethasone alters the expression of genes important for tumor progression, we extracted RNA from GL261 cells cultured for 24 h with or without 1 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ dexamethasone. The RNA samples were then analyzed using oligonucleotide microarrays interrogating over 39,000 different transcripts. Out of this number, only 16 genes (represented by 17 probe sets) were identified as being differentially expressed ($P < 0.05$) between the treated and control cells (Fig. 16b, Annexe III), and none of which has been previously associated with tumor progression, except Enpp2 (also named autotaxin). However, this secreted lysophospholipase, whose expression was upregulated by dexamethasone (Annexe III), has recently been shown to promote glioma cell migration in vitro [182], which is in contradiction with the possibility that it mediates the antitumor effect of dexamethasone. Overall, these results indicate that GL261 cells are largely insensitive to dexamethasone, suggesting that this drug reduces glioma growth by an indirect mechanism.

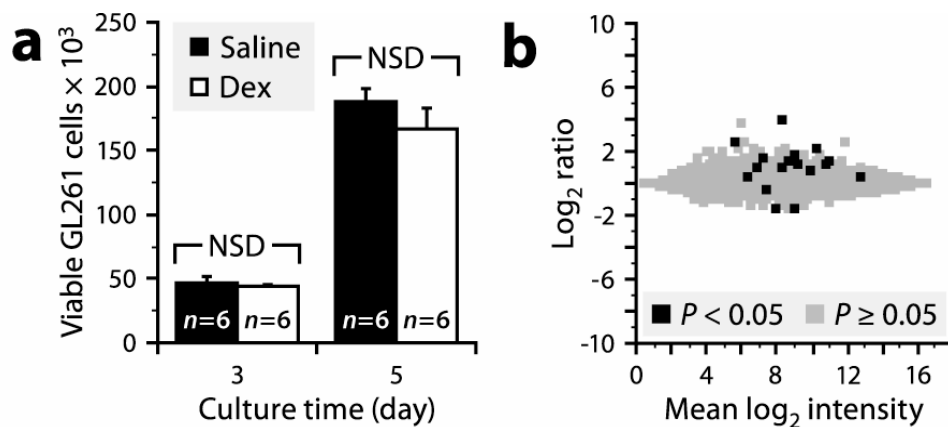


Figure 16. Cultured GL261 cells are virtually resistant to dexamethasone.

a, As determined by flow cytometry, the number of viable cells (propidium iodide negative) did not differ between cultures supplemented or not with 1 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ dexamethasone (Dex). Two-way ANOVA (treatment, $P = 0.23$; time, $P < 0.0001$; interaction, $P = 0.36$). Data are mean \pm SE. NSD, not statistically different.

b, Microarray analysis revealed minor changes in the transcriptional profile of GL261 cells after exposure to dexamethasone for 24 h. Each data point represents one of the 45,101 probe sets. Only 17 of these probe sets (black squares) had a P -value < 0.05 (see Annexe III for details). X-axis, mean of the hybridization intensities of all samples. Y-axis, ratio of the mean hybridization intensities for dexamethasone-treated cells versus control cells.

3.5.4 Dexamethasone decreases glioma vascularization

It has been shown that glioma cells grow by co-opting pre-existing blood vessels, which undergo morphological and functional changes and even regress to some extent [15, 17, 163, 183]. As shown in Figure 17a-c, the capillaries of GL261 gliomas are hypertrophied and irregularly shaped compared to those of the adjacent normal tissue. Because these changes are presumably important for glioma growth, we asked whether dexamethasone could normalize certain vascular parameters, such as capillary density and caliber. To address this question, glioma sections, from mice treated or not with dexamethasone and killed 20 days after tumor implantation, were immunostained for the endothelial marker CD31 and analyzed using unbiased stereological methods. We found a slightly decreased tumor vascular density in dexamethasone-treated mice (Fig. 17d), but no significant difference in tumor vessel diameter (Fig. 17e), although a tendency to decrease was observed. However, the volume of the tumors correlated better with vessel diameter (Fig. 17f) than with vascular density (Fig. 17g). Therefore, these results suggest that although dexamethasone acts on the tumor endothelium, its antineoplastic effect is not a consequence of the reduction in vascularization.

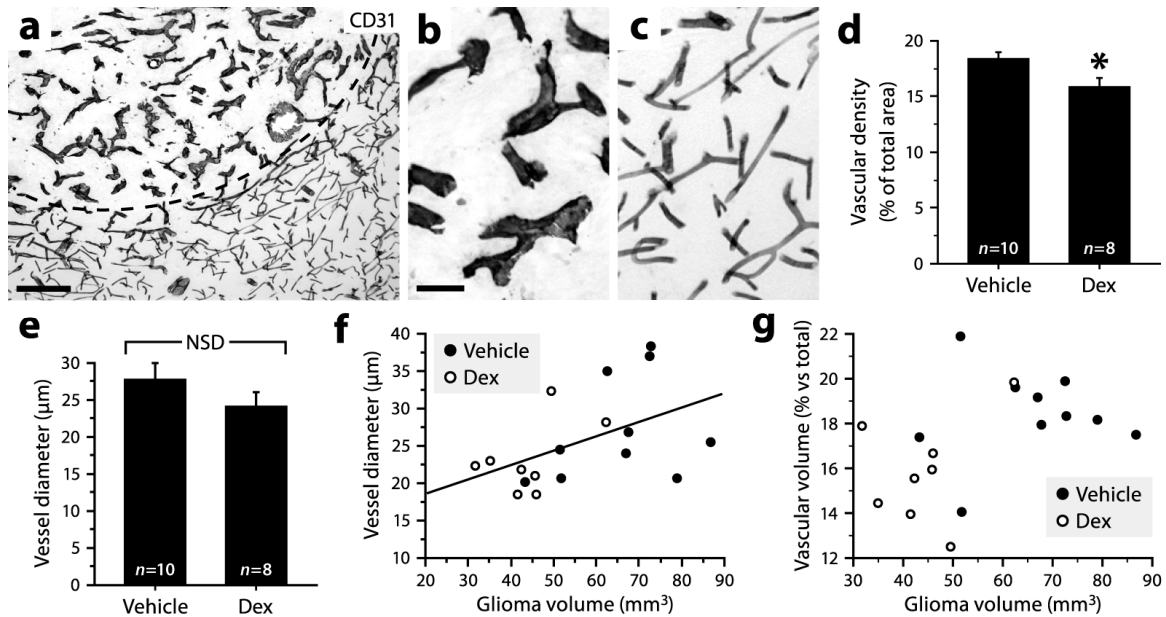


Figure 17. Dexamethasone slightly reduces tumor vascular density.

a, Glioma section immunostained for CD31 showing morphological differences between the tumor and adjacent normal vasculature. The dashed line separates the tumor (top) from the non-neoplastic tissue (bottom). Scale bar: 200 μm .

b, c, Higher magnification of capillaries in a glioma and the adjacent non-neoplastic tissue, respectively. Scale bar: 50 μm (b, c).

d, Stereological analysis revealed a 14% decrease in tumor vascular density in mice treated twice daily with 1 mg/kg dexamethasone compared to mock-treated mice. *Student's t test, $P = 0.024$. Data are mean \pm SE.

e, No difference in tumor vessel caliber was recorded between mice treated or not with dexamethasone. Wilcoxon rank-sum test, $P = 0.2$. Data are mean \pm SE.

f, g, A positive correlation was found between glioma volume and vessel diameter (Pearson correlation, $P = 0.041$, $R = 0.49$), but no clear correlation was found between glioma volume and vascular volume (Pearson correlation, $P = 0.053$, $R = 0.46$). Each data point represents a mouse treated with dexamethasone or vehicle.

3.5.5 Dexamethasone reduces Angpt2 expression

An alternative hypothesis is that dexamethasone modulates the production of proneoplastic or antineoplastic factors by tumor endothelial cells. To investigate this possibility in a simplified model, we used oligonucleotide microarrays to compare the gene expression profiles of cerebral endothelial cells cultured for 24 h with or without dexamethasone (1 $\mu\text{g/ml}$). In contrast to what we observed with GL261 cells (Supplementary Table 1), 1253 dexamethasone-sensitive genes (represented by 1455 probe sets) with a P-value < 0.05 were found (Fig. 18a, Annexe IV). To narrow our search, we filtered out probe sets with a fold change between 0.5 and 2.0, and then retained only those classified as “extracellular” in the Gene Ontology database. Among the 83 remaining genes, we selected for further analysis 4 down-regulated ones, namely Angpt2, Tnc and TGF β 2, which are known to be associated with certain cancers [184-186], and ESM1, a newly discovered proteoglycan that has been shown to induce tumor formation [187]. Quantitative RT-PCR analysis confirmed that all these genes were strongly repressed by dexamethasone at all doses tested in cultured cerebral endothelial cells (Fig. 18b-e).

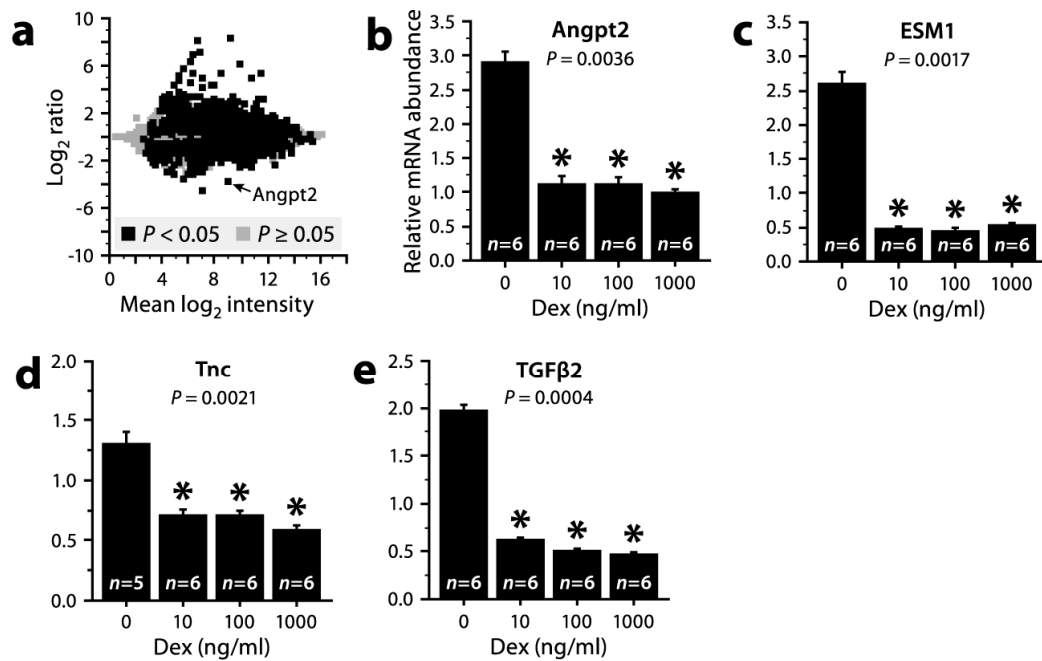


Figure 18. Genes modulated by dexamethasone in cultured cerebral endothelial cells.

a, Microarray analysis revealed major changes in the transcriptional profile of bEnd.3 cells after exposure to dexamethasone for 24 h. Each data point represents one of the 45,101 probe sets. 1,455 of these probe sets (black squares) had a P -value < 0.05 (see Annexe IV for details). X-axis, mean of the hybridization intensities of all samples. Y-axis, ratio of the mean hybridization intensities for dexamethasone-treated cells versus control cells.

b-e, Quantitative RT-PCR analysis showed reduced levels of Angpt2, ESM1, Tnc and TGFβ2 mRNAs in bEnd.3 cells cultured for 24 h in the presence of different concentrations of dexamethasone (Dex) compared to mock-treated cells. *Kruskal-Wallis test (P as indicated) followed by Dunn's test. Data (mean \pm SE) are expressed as a ratio to 18S rRNA. Repeat analysis of Angpt2 with normalization to GAPDH mRNA instead of 18S rRNA gave similar results (data not shown).

To validate these results in a more complex, in vivo system, glioma-bearing mice were injected twice daily with 1 mg/kg dexamethasone for 2 or 3 weeks, after which their brains were collected for in situ hybridization analysis. Two of the examined transcripts (TGF β 2 and ESM1) were not reliably detected and were thus excluded from the study at this point (data not shown). Conversely, strong hybridization signals for Angpt2 and Tnc mRNAs were specifically detected along the tumor vasculature and not in the surrounding non-neoplastic tissue (Fig. 19a,b,e). Stereological analysis revealed an approximately 40% decrease in the number of Angpt2 mRNA⁺ cells within the tumors of dexamethasone-treated mice at both time points (Fig. 19c), but no change in the case of Tnc mRNA⁺ cells (Fig. 19f). To complement this result, we estimated the intensity of the hybridization signals for Angpt2 mRNA at the single-cell level by optical density readings, and found that the signals in dexamethasone-treated mice were 38 and 27% less intense than those in controls at 2 and 3 weeks, respectively (Fig. 19d). In other words, not only there were fewer Angpt2 mRNA⁺ cells in dexamethasone-treated mice, but also these positive cells expressed lower levels of Angpt2 mRNA. These results suggest that dexamethasone could influence glioma vascularization and growth, at least in part, by inhibiting the expression of Angpt2, which is known as a destabilizing factor for the endothelium [184].

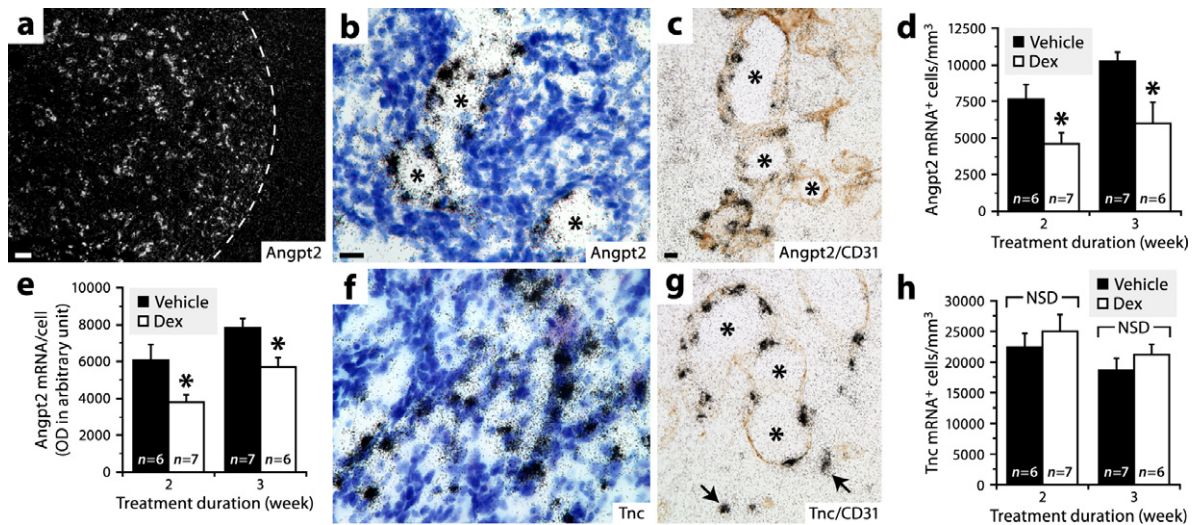


Figure 19. Dexamethasone inhibits the endothelial expression of Angpt2 in gliomas, but not that of Tnc.

a, Dark-field photomicrograph showing *in situ* hybridization signals for Angpt2 mRNA in a 20-day glioma. The dashed line separates the tumor (left) from the normal tissue (right). Scale bar: 500 μ m.

b, Bright-field image at higher magnification of *in situ* hybridization signals for Angpt2 mRNA (black grains). Blue, thionin counterstaining. *Blood vessel. Scale bar: 20 μ m (b, e).

c, Double labeling for Angpt2 mRNA (*in situ* hybridization, black grains) and CD31 (immunohistochemistry, brown). *Blood vessel lumen. Scale bar: 20 μ m (c, g).

d, Stereological analysis revealed that the number of Angpt2 mRNA⁺ cells was ~40% lower in mice treated for 2 or 3 weeks with 1 mg/kg dexamethasone compared to sham-treated mice. *Two-way ANOVA (treatment, $P = 0.0019$; time, $P = 0.065$; interaction, $P = 0.56$) followed by Student's *t* test. Data are mean \pm SE.

e, Optical density (OD) analysis of hybridization signals showed that the abundance of Angpt2 mRNA per positive cell was reduced after dexamethasone treatment by 38% at 2 weeks and 27% at 3 weeks. *Two-way ANOVA (treatment, $P = 0.0016$; time, $P = 0.0058$; interaction, $P = 0.87$) followed by Student's *t* test. Data are mean \pm SE.

f, Bright-field image of *in situ* hybridization signals for Tnc mRNA (black grains). Blue, thionin counterstaining. **g,** Double labeling for Tnc mRNA (*in situ* hybridization, black grains) and CD31 (immunohistochemistry, brown). Note that Tnc mRNA did not always colocalize with CD31 (arrows). *Blood vessel lumen.

h, No intergroup difference in the number of Tnc mRNA⁺ cells was detected. Two-way ANOVA (treatment, $P = 0.42$; time, $P = 0.12$; interaction, $P = 0.99$). Data are mean \pm SE. NSD, not statistically different.

It has been reported that Angpt2 can induce glioma cell invasion by stimulating MMP2 expression [25, 28], which could thus be indirectly repressed by dexamethasone. Furthermore, it has been suggested that dexamethasone can reduce brain tumor-associated vascular permeability by inhibiting VEGFa expression [34, 35]. To determine whether these two genes are repressed in the model used here, we quantified MMP2 and VEGFa mRNAs in our RNA and tissue samples by qRT-PCR and in situ hybridization, respectively. We found that MMP2 was down-regulated by dexamethasone in cultured cerebral endothelial cells, but not in gliomas of mice treated for 2 or 3 weeks with the steroid, whereas VEGFa was not affected by dexamethasone, neither in vitro nor in vivo (Fig. 20).

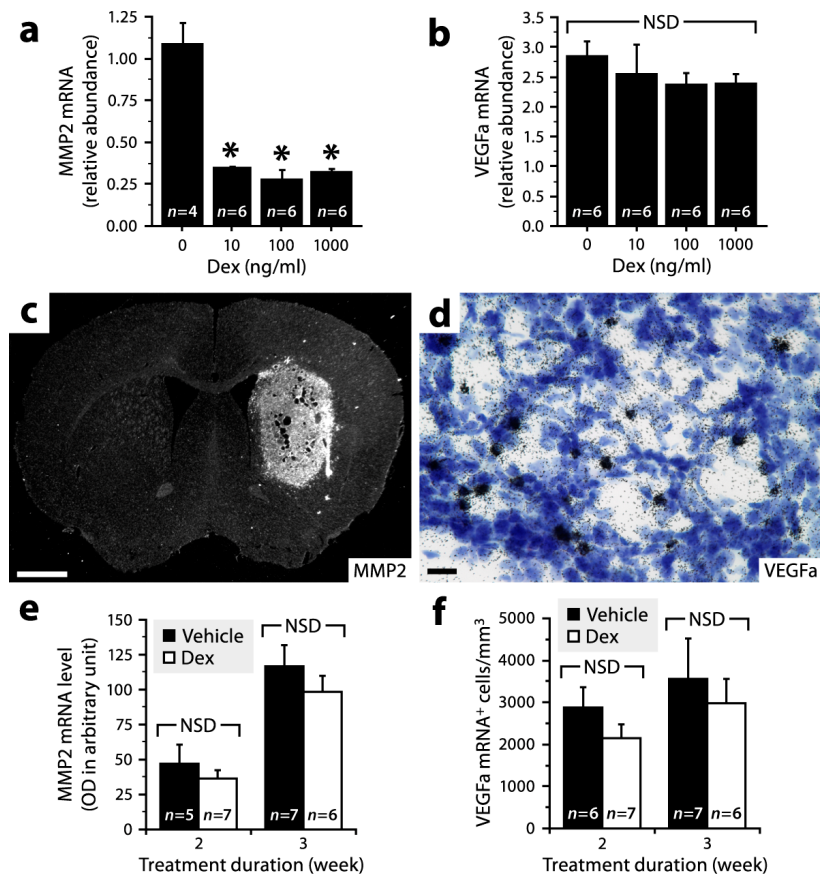


Figure 20. Dexamethasone does not affect MMP2 and VEGFa expression *in vivo*, but reduces MMP2 expression *in vitro*.

a, b, Quantitative RT-PCR analysis showed reduced levels of MMP2 mRNA, but not of VEGFa mRNA, in bEnd.3 cells cultured for 24 h in the presence of different concentrations of dexamethasone (Dex) compared to mock-treated cells. *Kruskal-Wallis test ($P = 0.0173$) followed by Dunn's test. Data (mean \pm SE) are expressed as a ratio to 18S rRNA.

c, Dark-field photomicrograph of *in situ* hybridization signals for MMP2 mRNA in a 2-week glioma. Note that MMP2 expression is not restricted to the endothelium, but is widespread in the tumor. Scale bar: 1 mm.

d, Bright-field photomicrograph of *in situ* hybridization signals for VEGFa mRNA (black grains) in a 3-week glioma. Blue, thionin counterstaining. Scale bar: 20 μ m.

e, Optical densitometric analysis revealed no difference in MMP2 mRNA levels in mice treated or not with 1 mg/kg dexamethasone. *Two-way ANOVA (treatment, $P = 0.24$; time, $P < 0.0001$; interaction, $P = 0.79$). Data are mean \pm SE. **f,** Stereological analysis revealed no difference in the number of VEGFa mRNA⁺ cells in mice treated or not with 1 mg/kg dexamethasone. *Two-way ANOVA (treatment, $P = 0.25$; time, $P = 0.06$; interaction, $P = 0.12$). Data are mean \pm SE.

3.5.6 Selective inhibition of Angpt2 reduces glioma growth

Although Angpt2 is known to be expressed in human and experimental gliomas [188], its importance in the growth of these tumors is still unclear. To test the possibility that pharmacological neutralization of Angpt2 reproduces the effects of dexamethasone on glioma growth and vascularization, we treated glioma-bearing mice every other day with a synthetic anti-Angpt2 antibody called L1-10, which has recently been used with success to inhibit the development of epidermoid and colorectal tumor xenografts [189]. Remarkably, we found that L1-10 reduced glioma volume by 50% (Fig. 21a), as evaluated in mice killed 18 days after tumor implantation. Although L1-10 did not cure glioma-bearing mice, it produced a modest increase in their survival (Fig. 21b). No noticeable side effect, such as a chronic reduction in body weight, was associated with the use of L1-10 (Fig. 21c). The antitumor effect of L1-10 was indirect, because the growth of GL261 cells in vitro was not altered after the addition of 5 μ M L1-10 to the culture media (Fig. 21d). To examine the effect of L1-10 on the tumor vasculature, we immunostained glioma sections for CD31, and found a small (9%) but significant decrease in tumor vascular density in L1-10-treated mice (Fig. 21e), as observed in the case of dexamethasone (Fig. 17d). In contrast to dexamethasone, L1-10 reduced by 29% tumor vessel diameter (Fig. 21f), which strongly correlated with glioma volume (Fig. 21g). Finally, because it has recently been shown that Angpt2 is involved in inflammatory processes, we asked whether L1-10 influenced the recruitment of immune cells into the tumors. Stereological analysis of sections immunostained for CD3e or Iba1 revealed no significant difference in T cells (Fig. 21h), but a small reduction (17%) in macrophages (Fig. 21i). Collectively, our results ascribed to Angpt2 an important role in glioma development and support the concept that dexamethasone slows glioma growth by a mechanism involving the suppression of Angpt2 expression.

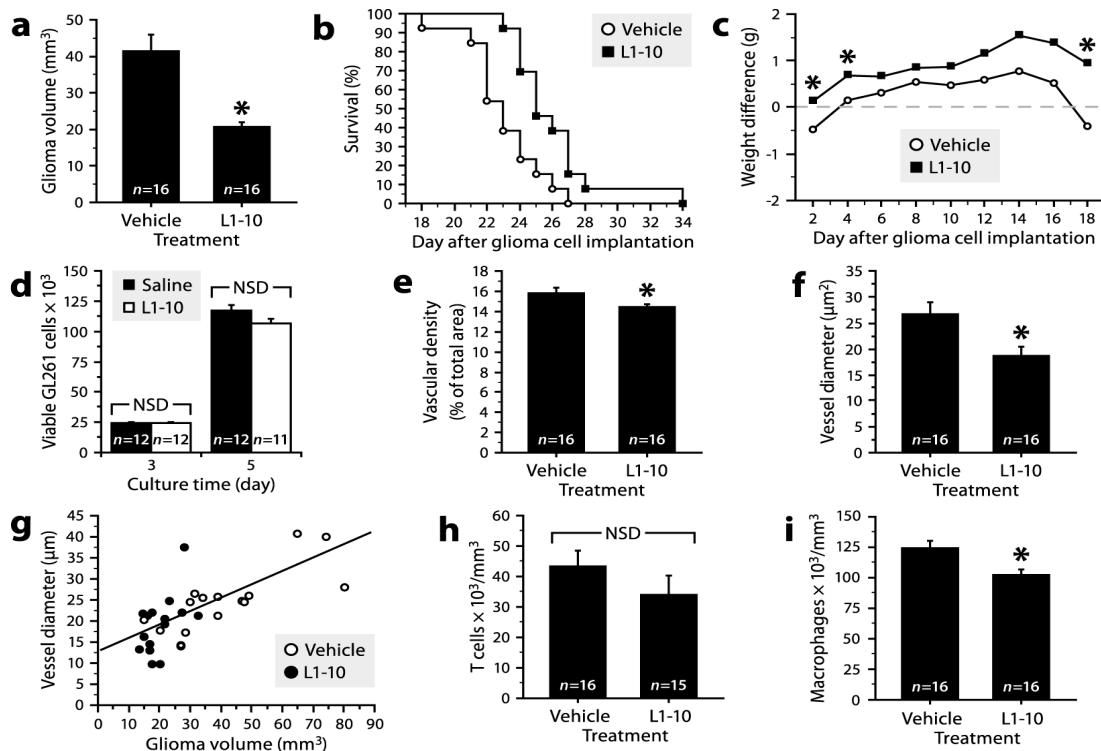


Figure 21. Specific neutralization of Angpt2 with L1-10 reduces glioma growth and vascular enlargement without affecting T cell infiltration.

a, Volumetric analysis showed a 50% decrease in glioma volume in L1-10-treated mice. *Wilcoxon rank-sum test, $P = 0.0002$. Data are mean \pm SE.

b, Increases in body weight were recorded at the beginning and at the end of experimentation in mice injected with L1-10. *MANOVA with repeated measures ($P = 0.002$) followed by Student's t test ($P < 0.05$). Data are mean change in body weight from the day of tumor implantation ($n = 16$ per group).

c, Kaplan-Meier curves showing a modest increase in the probability of survival after treatment with dexamethasone. Log-rank test, $P = 0.005$ ($n = 13$ per group).

d, As determined by flow cytometry, the growth of GL261 cells in culture was not affected in the presence of 5 μM L1-10. Two-way ANOVA (treatment, $P = 0.1$; time, $P < 0.0001$; interaction, $P = 0.07$). Data are mean \pm SE. NSD, not statistically different.

e, Stereological analysis revealed a 9% decrease in tumor vascular density in L1-10-treated mice. *Wilcoxon rank-sum test, $P = 0.03$. Data are mean \pm SE.

f, g, Tumor vessel diameter was reduced by 29% in L1-10-treated mice and correlated positively with glioma volume (Pearson correlation, $P = 0.0002$, $R = 0.61$). *Wilcoxon rank-sum test, $P = 0.0053$. Each data point represents a mouse treated with L1-10 or vehicle.

h, No intergroup difference was detected in CD3⁺ T cell density. Wilcoxon rank-sum test, $P = 0.07$. Data are mean \pm SE. **i**, A 17% decrease in the number of tumor-associated Iba1⁺ macrophages was observed after L1-10 treatment. Wilcoxon rank-sum test, $P = 0.004$. Data are mean \pm SE.

3.4 Discussion

Dexamethasone is one of the most commonly prescribed drugs and is used since the 1960's for the management of edema associated with brain tumors, yet its effects on these tumors are not fully understood. The initial hypothesis tested in this work was that dexamethasone accelerates glioma growth by antagonizing antitumor immune responses. Although this hypothesis proved to be incorrect, four main findings emerge from our work: 1) dexamethasone can exert potential proneoplastic effects by neutralizing important components of the immune system (i.e., cytotoxic and helper T cells), but seems to leave intact other elements such as macrophages, gammadelta and NK T cells; 2) dexamethasone can also exert antineoplastic effects by reducing the expression of at least one angiogenic factor, Angpt2, leading to a partial normalization of the tumor vasculature; 3) the sum of the actions of dexamethasone results in a reduction of glioma growth, but only when it is used at a relatively high concentration associated with adverse effects; 4) selective blockade of Angpt2 with a synthetic antibody reduces glioma growth and vascular enlargement more efficiently than dexamethasone without depleting tumor-infiltrating T lymphocytes and causing notable side effects. This greater efficiency of Angpt2 is presumably due to a more complete neutralization of Angpt2, since dexamethasone only partially inhibits its expression.

Although the matrix-degrading enzyme MMP2 and the angiogenic regulator VEGFa were expressed in our glioma model and might play important growth-promoting roles, our results do not support their involvement in the mechanism by which dexamethasone reduced glioma growth. On the first hand, we expected that dexamethasone would have reduced MMP2 expression *in vivo*, at least indirectly, because it has been reported that Angpt2 stimulates glioma cells to produce MMP2 [25, 28], and because we found a reduction in MMP2 mRNA in cultured endothelial cells exposed to dexamethasone. However, no change in MMP2 expression was detectable *in vivo* after dexamethasone treatment. This lack of effect may be due to a difference between the glioma cells studied: GL261 cells strongly and constitutively expressed MMP2 after transplantation, whereas those used by Cheng and colleagues expressed MMP2 in an inducible-manner at the invasive border of the tumor [28]. Therefore, we cannot exclude the possibility that

dexamethasone can reduce the progression of other types of glioma cells by inhibiting MMP2 when this factor is not constitutively produced. On the other hand, we also expected a down-regulation of VEGFa expression by dexamethasone on the basis of two in vitro studies [34, 35]. Although the different nature of the cells used may again explain the difference in our results, it is important to note that one of the research team did not attempt to confirm their results in vivo [34], while the other group did not reproduce the same effect in a subcutaneous glioma model [35]. Similarly to the latter study, we found genes (MMP2 and Tnc) that were sensitive to dexamethasone in culture, but not in vivo, possibly due to differences in pharmacokinetic or the regulatory mechanisms involved. Together, these observations underscore the necessity of confirming in vitro results in more clinically relevant in vivo models.

It has been reported that anti-Angpt2 antibodies can inhibit the growth of subcutaneously implanted tumors and induce their regression [189]. In contrast, our results indicate that gliomas can only be slowed and not cured by anti-Angpt2 therapy. This difference may be explained by several possibilities. First, orthotopic gliomas are probably less dependent on angiogenesis than heterotopic tumors developing in the subcutaneous space. Indeed, it has been shown that glioma cells mainly grow by co-opting existing capillaries and that new blood vessels are only formed in a late phase in response to hypoxia or cell death [15, 17, 163, 183]. Second, the bioavailability of L1-10 might be lower in gliomas compared to peripheral tumors due to the presence of the blood-brain barrier. In future studies, it will be important to examine whether the effectiveness of L1-10 against cerebral tumors can be enhanced by using a higher dose or alternative delivery mean. Third, it is possible that GL261 cells are more resistant to hypoxia or inadequate supply of serum growth factors than other tumor cell lines. It remains to be determined whether all types of glioma cells are equally sensitive to Angpt2 inhibitors. Finally, we cannot exclude the possibility that another angiogenic factor partially compensates for the reduction in Angpt2 in gliomas, although no naturally occurring agonist of Angpt2 is currently known, except perhaps Angpt3 [190]. However, the latter was not detectable in GL261 gliomas by in situ hybridization (unpublished personal observation).

During glioma progression, the vasculature undergoes structural and functional changes, resulting in vascular cell apoptosis and blood vessel regression. It has been postulated that this regression is caused by the action of Angpt2 in the absence of VEGFa [15, 17, 163]. Our results do not support this concept, because VEGFa was expressed at all time examined and L1-10 treatment reduced vascular density, suggesting rather that Angpt2 somehow limits vascular regression in our model. However, this effect does not explain the proneoplastic activity of Angpt2, because we observed no clear correlation between vascular density and glioma volume. Another effect of Angpt2 that did correlate with glioma volume is the increase in vascular caliber. We propose that this effect is accompanied by changes in vascular physiology and that some of which are directly responsible for the proneoplastic activity of Angpt2. At least three mechanisms can be imagined: 1) Angpt2 could increase vascular permeability, thereby providing glioma cells with a better access to nutrients and growth factors; 2) it could induce structural alterations in the vascular wall that would facilitate the process of co-option and the migration of glioma cells along the vasculature, a phenomenon recently observed [183]; and 3) it could promote the recruitment of a subpopulation monocytic cells with proangiogenic activity, identified as Tie2-expressing monocytes [191], by stimulating the expression of adhesion molecules, such as ICAM1 and VCAM1 [192]. This latter effect would explain the reduction in tumor-associated macrophages observed after L1-10 treatment.

It is generally known that glucocorticoids can deplete lymphocytes by inducing apoptosis and inhibiting the expression of adhesion molecules and cytokines involved in their recruitment across the endothelium [168]. The reduced number of tumor-infiltrating helper and cytotoxic T cells observed after dexamethasone treatment in this study was thus predictable. Unexpected was the discovery of a new property of gammadelta and NK T cells, that of being resistant to dexamethasone. Gammadelta T cells distinguish from other T lymphocytes by their ability to recognize soluble protein and non-protein antigens in a MHC-independent manner [193]. NK T cells are also MHC-unrestricted, but recognize mainly glycolipids presented by the CD1d molecule [194]. Mounting evidence suggests that most gammadelta and NK T cells contribute to antitumor immunity by exerting cytotoxic effects or influencing the activity of other cell types by secreting a variety of cytokines [195-197]. On the contrary, however, a subset of NK T cells known as Type II

has been shown to repress antitumor immune responses [197, 198]. Interestingly, we found an inverse correlation between gammadelta and NK T cells, but further investigation is required to determine the significance of this observation; for example, whether one of these cells inhibits the other one. Nevertheless, it could be useful to develop immunotherapy using gammadelta and NK T cells, not only because patients with brain tumors are treated with dexamethasone, but also because MHC alleles are frequently down-regulated during cancer progression. Our ability to manipulate these cells for therapeutic purposes will depend on a better understanding of their roles and the mechanisms that govern their development and activities. In the mean time, the finding that NK T cells collected from patients with glioma can kill glioma cells in culture is encouraging [199].

In conclusion, this study not only helps to better understand the effects of dexamethasone on brain tumors, but also reveals a more specific agent, L1-10, that mimics beneficial properties of dexamethasone without the detrimental ones. In future work, it will be important to determine whether Angpt2 inhibitors could substitute dexamethasone or be used in combination with it, and whether they can enhance the efficacy of chemotherapeutic drugs, as recently proposed [200]. Finally, it could be useful to seek other proneoplastic genes repressed by dexamethasone in order to identify new potential targets for the treatment of malignant cerebral tumors.

4. Discussion générale et conclusion

Bien que le système immunitaire soit primordial pour la survie de l'être humain en le défendant contre plusieurs types d'agressions; une réponse inflammatoire persistante peut, à l'inverse, occasionner d'importants dommages à l'organisme. La réponse immune survenant durant le développement d'une tumeur illustre clairement cette réalité. Les macrophages, comptant parmi les effecteurs principaux de cette réponse, sont au centre de ce dilemme. La reconnaissance des cellules tumorales par les macrophages engendre, comme nous l'avons vu, la production d'une multitude de substances biologiquement actives, dont des cytokines, pouvant exercer des effets très variés. Ces composés ont souvent des actions chevauchantes et ne sont pas nécessairement produits uniquement par les macrophages. La situation est d'autant plus complexe que la tumeur démontre en plus une formidable capacité à s'y adapter.

L'intérêt principal du projet présenté dans ce mémoire est qu'il nous a permis de clarifier le rôle des macrophages dans le développement des tumeurs cérébrales malignes. Nos résultats démontrent que le recrutement des macrophages à l'intérieur de la tumeur corrèle avec une diminution de sa croissance. Cette conclusion apparaît en désaccord avec plusieurs études dont les résultats favorisent un rôle pro-tumoral des macrophages. Ces résultats sont, pour la plupart, issus d'expériences réalisées *in vitro*, et donc moins représentatives. Autrement, il est tout-à-fait possible que les macrophages sécrètent des agents pro-tumoraux. Seulement, l'effet de ces derniers doit être mineur relativement au pouvoir anti-tumoral des macrophages. Quant à notre modèle, il offre l'avantage de suivre l'évolution de la tumeur dans un contexte immunitaire et une localisation normale. Il s'agit sans doute, pour l'instant, d'un des paradigmes permettant de mimer le plus adéquatement une situation réelle. Bien sûr, ce résultat reste général et le mécanisme d'action précis demeure inconnu. Toutefois, certaines évidences permettent de croire que les macrophages peuvent exercer leur action de façon directe ou indirecte. C'est-à-dire, par exemple, en produisant des composés ayant une activité cytotoxique sur les cellules tumorales ou encore en aidant au recrutement d'autres populations cellulaires comme les lymphocytes T cytotoxiques.

Ces résultats permettront d'orienter les futures recherches, premièrement pour identifier plus précisément les mécanismes impliqués et ensuite pour développer de nouvelles thérapies. À ce titre, l'utilité de la réponse immune dans le contrôle de la croissance tumorale a engendré un questionnement sur l'efficacité d'une thérapie couramment utilisée : l'administration d'agents anti-inflammatoires. Nous avons donc vérifié l'effet d'un tel traitement sur les glioblastomes implantés chez la souris. Les résultats obtenus démontrent que l'action délétère de la dexaméthasone sur les lymphocytes T n'est pas observable sur toutes les sous-populations de lymphocytes T. En effet, les lymphocytes T $\gamma\delta$ et NKT semblent insensibles à son influence. La dexaméthasone exerce en outre des effets indépendants de l'altération de la réponse inflammatoire permettant ainsi de réduire le développement tumoral. Pour l'instant, les recherches de notre équipe se sont principalement orientées vers l'élucidation de son action et ont permis de démontrer l'efficacité d'un anticorps synthétique (L1-10) contre l'Angpt-2 pour réduire la croissance tumorale de façon plus efficace que la dexaméthasone. Cet agent présente donc un intérêt certain en chimiothérapie des gliomes malins.

Par ailleurs, les travaux présentés apportent un support considérable à la possibilité d'utiliser l'immunothérapie pour traiter les glioblastomes. Tout d'abord, puisque nos résultats démontrent l'utilité des macrophages pour limiter la croissance des tumeurs cérébrales, il serait intéressant d'exploiter ces cellules. Deux principaux moyens sont envisageables : favoriser leur activation *in vivo* par l'administration de cytokines telles que le TNF et l'INF- γ ou, alternativement, prélever des cellules chez le patient afin de les mettre en culture et de les activer *in vitro* avant de les leur réinjecter [84]. Cette dernière possibilité apparaît plus judicieuse en permettant la maturation des macrophages en l'absence des contraintes immunosuppressives de l'environnement tumoral. Pour l'instant, les études réalisées avec des procédés comme ceux-ci n'ont pas donné de résultats très encourageants. Toutefois, peu d'effets secondaires ont été observés chez les patients ayant participé à ces études, ce qui encourage à poursuivre et améliorer les tentatives de ce genre [84].

Dans un deuxième temps, nos résultats suggèrent qu'il serait aussi intéressant d'exploiter les lymphocytes T. Plusieurs stratégies d'activation et de transplantation de lymphocytes T cytotoxiques sont envisageables. Dans la mesure où un antigène tumoral est connu, il est possible de prélever des lymphocytes chez les personnes atteintes afin de les activer *ex vivo* avant de les leur réinjecter. Ces cellules pourront par contre, une fois de plus, être la cible des mécanismes immunosuppresseurs de la tumeur. Il peut être envisageable de contrer, du moins en partie, ce problème en transfectant les cellules T avec des formes dominantes négatives de récepteurs pour des agents immunosuppresseurs produits par la tumeur comme le TGF- β [201]. Une autre stratégie, toute récente, permet aussi de contourner le problème de la diminution de la présentation antigénique par les cellules tumorales. Des cellules T sont prélevées et sont manipulées pour exprimer un récepteur de cellules T chimérique. Ce dernier se compose d'un domaine de reconnaissance à l'antigène cible jumelé avec les domaines signalétiques des molécules importantes à leur activation. Ce procédé permet aux lymphocytes T de reconnaître l'antigène sous forme native, sans qu'il ne soit présenté par une molécule de CMH [202]. De plus, l'activation survient même si la cellule tumorale ne fournit pas de signal de costimulation puisque la reconnaissance de l'antigène par le récepteur chimérique suffit à engendrer l'ensemble de la signalisation nécessaire à l'activation et la prolifération des lymphocytes T cytotoxiques [202].

Malheureusement, pour l'instant, peu d'antigènes tumoraux intéressants à exploiter en thérapie ont pu être identifiés. Cependant, quelques stratégies permettent de tirer profit des lymphocytes T sans connaître spécifiquement un antigène tumoral; ce qui est d'ailleurs une limitation particulièrement importante dans le cas des gliomes. L'une d'elles consiste à isoler plusieurs populations de lymphocytes T intra-tumorales (TIL) pour ensuite tester leur activité cytotoxique contre les cellules tumorales. Les lignées répondant positivement peuvent ensuite être multipliées *in vivo* avant d'être réinjectées au patient [203]. Une dernière possibilité consiste à vacciner le patient avec des CPA (préférentiellement des DC) qui ont été exposées, *ex vivo*, à un lysat de cellules tumorales. Les CPA pourront capter les antigènes tumoraux et les présenter efficacement aux lymphocytes T lorsqu'elles seront réintroduites chez le patient [204, 205].

Les lymphocytes T cytotoxiques ne constituent toutefois pas la seule population de lymphocytes retrouvée dans les glioblastomes. Comme nous avons pu le démontrer dans le deuxième volet de notre étude, des cellules T exprimant le récepteur constitué des sous-unités γ et δ et les cellules NKT γ sont aussi présentes et ne semblent pas affectées par un traitement anti-inflammatoire. Ces deux types cellulaires pourraient donc se révéler particulièrement utiles en immunothérapie des tumeurs cérébrales. L'activité cytotoxique de cellules T $\gamma\delta$ prélevées chez des patients atteints de gliomes a été démontrée *in vitro* [206]. Ces cellules peuvent être activées par plusieurs types d'antigènes non-conventionnels qui ne dépendent pas du CMH. *Ex vivo*, une des façon les plus efficaces de les activer est de les exposer à des phosphoantigènes synthétiques [196]. Ceux-ci permettent de les activer efficacement en plus de promouvoir leur activité cytotoxique dépendante de l'IFN- γ et du système perforine-granzyme. Il est probable que l'injection de phosphoantigènes pourrait être envisageable chez l'humain. D'autres molécules, dont les aminobiphosphonates, déjà utilisées dans le traitement de l'ostéoporose, ont un effet semblable sur les cellules $\gamma\delta$ et sont donc d'un intérêt certain [207]. Les aminobiphosphonates présentent en plus l'avantage de pouvoir exercer une action directe sur les cellules tumorales en inhibant leurs propriétés adhésives et en induisant leur apoptose [208]. Toutefois, le développement de telles thérapies est freiné par le fait que les cellules $\gamma\delta$ murines ne répondent pas aux phosphoantigènes, ce qui limite la conduite d'études pré-cliniques [196]. Pour l'instant, des résultats intéressants ont pu être obtenu en transplantant des cellules humaines chez des souris immunodéficientes [209].

De même, les cellules NKT sont indépendantes des molécules de CMH classiques et dépendent plutôt de la présentation d'antigènes lipidiques par la molécule CD1d. Il en existe différents types démontrant une activité cytotoxique contre les cellules tumorales via la production de perforine, de granzyme, de TNF ou l'expression de FasL. Elles peuvent être activées efficacement par l'utilisation de l' α -galactosylceramide (α -GalCer), un composé dérivé de l'éponge de mer [210]. Les études réalisées jusqu'à maintenant ont démontré que la réponse des cellules NKT était plus forte et prolongée lorsque les patients étaient vaccinés avec des cellules dendritiques préalablement exposées à l' α -GalCer plutôt que lorsque cette molécule était injectée directement [211]. Aussi, ce procédé a démontré son efficacité pour tuer des cellules gliomales en culture [199].

L'immunothérapie apparaît une avenue prometteuse dans l'élaboration de nouvelles thérapies contre les tumeurs cérébrales. Plusieurs stratégies sont imaginables et certaines font l'objet d'études cliniques. Les résultats sont souvent encourageants en permettant de prolonger la vie des patients. Cependant, il demeure extrêmement rare de pouvoir observer la régression de tumeurs. Puisque les approches testées jusqu'à maintenant sont apparues sécuritaires en ayant peu d'effets secondaires indésirables, il est primordial de poursuivre la recherche dans le but de perfectionner ces techniques. Pour ce faire, il est avant tout important d'investir des efforts dans la compréhension des mécanismes fondamentaux qui gouvernent la réponse immunitaire anti-tumorale. La poursuite d'études de qualité dans ce domaine nécessite aussi de développer des modèles animaux qui soient le plus représentatif possible de l'être humain. Les modèles actuels présentent certaines lacunes évidentes, l'une d'entre elles étant le manque d'hétérogénéité génétique et antigénique des tumeurs issues d'une même population cellulaire. Dans la réalité, plusieurs mutations différentes peuvent être à l'origine de la formation d'un gliome et ainsi influencer le comportement de ces tumeurs. Pour résoudre ce problème, il est nécessaire d'utiliser des animaux chez lesquels des tumeurs peuvent se former spontanément. Des modèles animaux plus représentatifs sont un outil essentiel pour faciliter la progression des études pré-cliniques vers la phase clinique.

Par ailleurs, le développement de l'immunothérapie ne signifie pas qu'il faille abandonner les méthodes conventionnelles de traitements. En effet, la chirurgie, la radiothérapie et la chimiothérapie resteront des traitements de première ligne nécessaires pour réduire le volume des tumeurs. Les fractions particulièrement envahissantes de la tumeur, impossibles à cibler efficacement avec ces approches, pourront être attaquées grâce à la grande spécificité de l'immunothérapie. De plus, pour éviter que la tumeur puisse contourner la réponse immunitaire, il sera nécessaire de combiner plusieurs approches. Idéalement, il faudrait pouvoir favoriser une augmentation de l'immunogénicité des cellules tumorales pour qu'elles soient facilement reconnaissables par les macrophages ou les lymphocytes T. Ces dernières cellules pourraient alors être manipulées afin d'accroître leurs fonctions effectrices permettant de tuer les cellules tumorales. Finalement, les mécanismes d'évasion de la tumeur devraient être supprimés.

Dans une perspective très pratique, un dernier obstacle à franchir demeure l'application de ces thérapies à grande échelle sur l'humain. Les approches imaginées nécessitent souvent des manipulations complexes qui doivent parfois être adaptées à chaque patient, en particulier dans le cas de thérapies cellulaires. L'élaboration de ces traitements requiert des installations et des produits dont la qualité est hautement contrôlée. Ces éléments peuvent se révéler particulièrement dispendieux et peu accessibles. Il sera donc important de chercher à développer des stratégies permettant d'augmenter la disponibilité de ces méthodes thérapeutiques.

En conclusion, cette étude a permis de révéler avec plus de précision le rôle joué par les macrophages dans le développement des tumeurs cérébrales malignes. Il apparaît maintenant qu'ils exercent une action positive en permettant de réduire la croissance de la tumeur. Beaucoup de travail reste encore à accomplir pour comprendre précisément les mécanismes impliqués, qu'ils soient directs ou indirects. Néanmoins, ces constatations soulevaient un questionnement quant à l'utilisation courante d'anti-inflammatoires, comme la dexaméthasone, dans la thérapie de ces tumeurs. En fait, nos travaux ont permis d'identifier de nouveaux mécanismes d'action de la dexaméthasone qui, étonnamment, permettent de lutter contre l'invasion tumorale. De surcroît, l'un de ces mécanismes, l'inhibition de l'expression de l'Angpt2, a pu être recréé de façon plus spécifique grâce à un nouvel anticorps synthétique spécifique (L1-10). Ce traitement s'est révélé particulièrement efficace et constitue donc une nouvelle possibilité de traitement intéressante. Finalement, l'insensibilité de certaines cellules immunitaires à cet agent offre une voie avantageuse à explorer pour l'élaboration de traitements basés sur l'immunothérapie.

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ANNEXE I

Primers used for qRT-PCR.

	Primers ¹ (5' to 3')	
	Forward	Reverse
18S rRNA	tgcattgtctaaagtagcacgg	aatgagccattcgcagttca
Angpt2	gtcacaatgacaaggccgtg	tccttgatactggctgcc
ESM1	gcacccatattgtctcccat	aaacaagcaacattaggtaactttc
GAPDH	ggctcatgaccacagtccatg	ccatccacagtcttctgggtg
MMP2	ggtgtgccaagggtgaaatc	ggcagcagaaagggtgaaac
TGFβ2	cacgtgtctgccgaagctt	ttaacaggccttctgggcat
Tnc	cagtgaagctctccttgggc	tccgtgtggtctgcttga
VEGFa	agcagaagtcccatgaagtgatc	agcttcgctggttagacatccat

¹ The forward primers were flanked at their 5'-ends by the following sequence: actgaacctgaccgtaca.

ANNEXE II

cDNAs used for *in situ* hybridization.

Gene symbol	Primers ¹ (5' to 3')	Reverse	Size ² (bp)	Linearization ³		Transcription ⁴	
				Antisense	Sense	Antisense	Sense
Angpt2	ttctggacatggagggaagcaca	ccgcattcaccaacatggcgctta	1547	EcoR V	Spe I	SP6	T7
ESM1	tctcaggcatggacgggtcaagt	ctcccagcattggcaggacaacag	1507	EcoR V	Spe I	SP6	T7
MMP2	ggacctgggactttggcacctact	gtcgttccctggaccccgaacag	1129	Not I	Spe I	SP6	T7
TGFβ2	tctcccaccagcgctacatcg	tccatgaagcttcggcagacacg	1449	EcoR V	Spe I	SP6	T7
Tnc	ccgggtgtagagtaccgcgtcag	gcccataaatgcccaggcccaaggagagc	1411	Xho I	Spe I	SP6	T7
VEGFa	cggacgggacctccgaaccatg	cctgcagccttggtcaccgcc	677	EcoR V	Spe I	SP6	T7

¹ Primer pairs used for PCR amplification.

² Size of the PCR product that was inserted into the pCR-Blunt II-TOPO vector.

³ Restriction enzymes used to linearize the plasmid for antisense or sense riboprobe synthesis.

⁴ Polymerase used for in vitro transcription.

ANNEXE III

Genes identified as being modulated in GL261 cells after 24-h incubation with 1 µg/ml dexamethasone (Dex). For concision only one probe set per gene is shown. A negative ratio indicates that the gene is down-regulated. Genes classified as “extracellular” in the Gene Ontology database are labeled with an x.

Probe set	Gene Symbol	Gene description	Average signal		Expression change		Extra-cellular
			Dex	Vehicle	ratio	P-value	
1441972_at	6230424C14Rik	RIKEN cDNA 6230424C14 gene	292	842	-2,9	0,0458	
1448952_at	A030009H04Rik	RIKEN cDNA A030009H04 gene	138	189	-1,4	0,0365	
1424059_at	Suv420h2	suppressor of variegation 4-20 homolog 2 (Drosophila)	87	68	1,3	0,0436	
1425780_a_at	0610041E09Rik	RIKEN cDNA 0610041E09 gene	8506	6440	1,3	0,0365	
1428288_at	2310051E17Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2310051E17 gene	1290	755	1,7	0,0458	
1452141_a_at	Sepp1	selenoprotein P, plasma, 1	154	77	2,0	0,0365	x
1424775_at	Oas1g	2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase 1G	452	221	2,0	0,0365	
1436202_at	Malat1	metastasis associated lung adenocarcinoma transcript 1 (non-coding RNA)	848	390	2,2	0,0392	
1427981_a_at	Csad	cysteine sulfinic acid decarboxylase	2590	1116	2,3	0,0365	
1448136_at	Enpp2	ectonucleotide pyrophosphatase/phosphodiesterase 2	3190	1185	2,7	0,0365	x
1455610_at	Dmn	desmuslin	652	241	2,7	0,0436	
1454984_at	AW061234	expressed sequence AW061234	264	92	2,9	0,0365	
1430697_at	Ammecr1	Alport syndrome, mental retardation, midface hypoplasia and elliptocytosis chromosomal region gene 1 homolog (human)	896	261	3,4	0,0365	
1416414_at	Emilin1	elastin microfibril interfacer 1	2559	568	4,5	0,0365	x
1449851_at	Per1	period homolog 1 (Drosophila)	122	21	5,7	0,0365	
1419442_at	Matn2	matrilin 2	1239	76	16,4	0,0365	x

ANNEXE IV

Genes identified as being modulated in BEnd3 cells after a 24-h incubation with 1 μ G/ML dexamethasone (Dex).

For concision, only one probe set per gene is shown. A negative ratio indicates that the gene is down-regulated. Genes classified as "extracellular" in the Gene Ontology database are labeled with an x.

Probe set	Gene symbol	Gene description	Average signal		Expression change		Extra-cellular
			Dex	Vehicle	Ratio	P-value	
1417256_at	Mmp13	matrix metalloproteinase 13	26	662	-25,0	0,0084	
1448831_at	Angpt2	angiopoietin 2	143	1784	-12,5	0,0063	x
1452614_at	Gm566	gene model 566, (NCBI)	28	251	-8,9	0,0035	x
1417155_at	Mycn	v-myc myelocytomatosis viral related oncogene, neuroblastoma derived (avian)	26	212	-8,2	0,0067	
1425681_a_at	Prnd	prion protein dublet	9	70	-8,1	0,0132	
1457032_at	Ak5	adenylate kinase 5	39	303	-7,9	0,0122	
1420992_at	Ankrd1	ankyrin repeat domain 1 (cardiac muscle)	49	360	-7,4	0,0391	
1423597_at	Atp8a1	ATPase, aminophospholipid transporter (APLT), class I, type 8A, member 1	10	68	-6,6	0,0033	
1416342_at	Tnc	tenascin C	672	4225	-6,3	0,0011	
1429918_at	Arhgap20	Rho GTPase activating protein 20	52	309	-6,0	0,0170	x
1418945_at	Mmp3	matrix metalloproteinase 3	423	2501	-5,9	0,0094	
1427735_a_at	Acta1	actin, alpha 1, skeletal muscle	66	360	-5,5	0,0342	x
1434411_at	---	---	13	69	-5,4	0,0018	
1454558_at	5430416B10Rik	RIKEN cDNA 5430416B10 gene	5	26	-5,3	0,0135	
1424649_a_at	Tspan8	tetraspanin 8	13	69	-5,2	0,0073	
1449280_at	Esm1	endothelial cell-specific molecule 1	2789	14181	-5,1	0,0093	
1459978_x_at	Gm877	gene model 877, (NCBI)	4	22	-5,0	0,0194	x
1422053_at	Inhba	inhibin beta-A	581	2865	-4,9	0,0015	
1420512_at	Dkk2	dickkopf homolog 2 (Xenopus laevis)	33	162	-4,9	0,0340	x
1423104_at	Irs1	insulin receptor substrate 1	8	41	-4,9	0,0118	x
1422168_a_at	Bdnf	brain derived neurotrophic factor	101	493	-4,9	0,0008	
1454674_at	Fez1	fasciculation and elongation protein zeta 1 (zygin 1)	155	735	-4,8	0,0008	x
1427482_a_at	Car8	carbonic anhydrase 8	64	300	-4,7	0,0009	
1451236_at	Rerg	RAS-like, estrogen-regulated, growth-inhibitor	11	47	-4,3	0,0271	
1450241_a_at	Evi2a	ecotropic viral integration site 2a	12	50	-4,3	0,0358	
1428663_at	5133401H06Rik	RIKEN cDNA 5133401H06 gene	380	1533	-4,0	0,0063	
1428114_at	Slc14a1	solute carrier family 14 (urea transporter), member 1	416	1680	-4,0	0,0109	
1451332_at	Zfp521	zinc finger protein 521	812	3258	-4,0	0,0047	
1416714_at	Irf8	interferon regulatory factor 8	6	23	-4,0	0,0019	
1429163_at	Dchs1	dachsous 1 (Drosophila)	7	26	-3,8	0,0404	
1431176_at	2310010I16Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2310010I16 gene	85	320	-3,8	0,0318	
1450923_at	Tgfb2	transforming growth factor, beta 2	1062	3997	-3,8	0,0089	
1418049_at	Ltbp3	latent transforming growth factor beta binding protein 3	59	220	-3,7	0,0153	x
1450971_at	Gadd45b	growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible 45 beta	549	2023	-3,7	0,0034	x

1436910_at	Rasal2	RAS protein activator like 2	105	386	-3,7	0,0170	
1417235_at	Ehd3	EH-domain containing 3	263	952	-3,6	0,0056	
1437417_s_at	Gpc6	glypican 6	261	923	-3,5	0,0201	
1449531_at	Leprel2	leprecan-like 2	33	115	-3,5	0,0065	x
1455803_at	Slco4a1	solute carrier organic anion transporter family, member 4a1	181	629	-3,5	0,0156	
1437442_at	---	Transcribed locus, strongly similar to XP_517139.1 PREDICTED: similar to protocadherin 7 isoform a precursor; brain-heart protocadherin; protocadherin 7 [Pan troglodytes]	41	144	-3,5	0,0082	
1456284_at	Gm905	gene model 905, (NCBI)	58	201	-3,5	0,0065	
1448870_at	Ltbp1	latent transforming growth factor beta binding protein 1	866	2982	-3,4	0,0063	
1441461_at	---	FERM domain containing 4A, mRNA (cDNA clone MGC:76363 IMAGE:6830456)	5	16	-3,4	0,0069	x
1435553_at	Pdzd2	PDZ domain containing 2	141	475	-3,4	0,0256	
1456524_at	Nrg1	neuregulin 1	237	795	-3,4	0,0138	
1448729_a_at	36769	septin 4	177	591	-3,3	0,0089	
1418930_at	Cxcl10	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 10	166	550	-3,3	0,0295	
1422256_at	Sstr2	somatostatin receptor 2	158	520	-3,3	0,0203	x
1426037_a_at	Rgs16	regulator of G-protein signalling 16	572	1871	-3,3	0,0061	
1449022_at	Nes	nestin	646	2100	-3,2	0,0035	
1416958_at	Nr1d2	nuclear receptor subfamily 1, group D, member 2	758	2452	-3,2	0,0045	
1448298_at	Tnk2	tyrosine kinase, non-receptor, 2	82	262	-3,2	0,0190	
1419324_at	Lhx9	LIM homeobox protein 9	41	131	-3,2	0,0389	
1449164_at	Cd68	CD68 antigen	332	1057	-3,2	0,0054	
1448656_at	Cacnb3	calcium channel, voltage-dependent, beta 3 subunit	119	379	-3,2	0,0118	x
1450651_at	Myo10	myosin X	38	120	-3,2	0,0103	
1436719_at	Slc35f1	solute carrier family 35, member F1	453	1435	-3,2	0,0074	
1443230_at	---	CDNA clone IMAGE:6514950	50	159	-3,2	0,0144	
1421551_s_at	Ifi202b	interferon activated gene 202B	1101	3454	-3,1	0,0201	
1449254_at	Spp1	secreted phosphoprotein 1	196	608	-3,1	0,0361	
1422912_at	Bmp4	bone morphogenetic protein 4	1315	4079	-3,1	0,0023	x
1439925_at	---	---	1166	3603	-3,1	0,0042	x
1419728_at	Cxcl5	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 5	526	1605	-3,1	0,0118	
1415983_at	Lcp1	lymphocyte cytosolic protein 1	890	2665	-3,0	0,0019	x
1429905_at	3110009007Rik	RIKEN cDNA 3110009007 gene	9	27	-3,0	0,0158	
1417574_at	Cxcl12	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 12	3107	9155	-2,9	0,0024	
1438674_a_at	Sfrs8	splicing factor, arginine/serine-rich 8	57	168	-2,9	0,0393	x
1452469_a_at	Smtn	smoothelin	62	180	-2,9	0,0348	
1449249_at	Pcdh7	protocadherin 7	181	526	-2,9	0,0099	
1420450_at	Mmp10	matrix metalloproteinase 10	21	60	-2,9	0,0136	x
1450414_at	Pdgfb	platelet derived growth factor, B polypeptide	468	1354	-2,9	0,0197	x
1418775_at	AI837181	expressed sequence AI837181	285	818	-2,9	0,0171	x
1441793_at	Rnf39	ring finger protein 39	288	827	-2,9	0,0038	

1451827_a_at	Nox4	NADPH oxidase 4	1928	5482	-2,8	0,0037	
1428867_at	4933417E01Rik	RIKEN cDNA 4933417E01 gene	192	544	-2,8	0,0037	
1423303_at	Paxip1	PAX interacting (with transcription-activation domain) protein 1	100	281	-2,8	0,0364	
1417262_at	Ptgs2	prostaglandin-endoperoxide synthase 2	5757	16173	-2,8	0,0200	
1453076_at	9130211I03Rik	RIKEN cDNA 9130211I03 gene	139	382	-2,8	0,0336	x
1434270_at	Nptxr	neuronal pentraxin receptor	289	790	-2,7	0,0422	
1431099_at	Hoxd8	homeo box D8	1004	2741	-2,7	0,0011	x
1433745_at	Trio	triple functional domain (PTPRF interacting)	830	2267	-2,7	0,0268	
1452210_at	Dna2l	DNA2 DNA replication helicase 2-like (yeast)	189	516	-2,7	0,0006	
1437869_at	3222402P14Rik	RIKEN cDNA 3222402P14 gene	75	204	-2,7	0,0393	
1460223_a_at	Epb4.9	erythrocyte protein band 4.9	41	112	-2,7	0,0201	
1436311_at	Gemin5	gem (nuclear organelle) associated protein 5	11	30	-2,7	0,0473	
1434390_at	AI503316	expressed sequence AI503316	34	91	-2,7	0,0219	
1428808_at	Prickle2	prickle-like 2 (Drosophila)	184	493	-2,7	0,0425	
1434116_at	Cbx2	chromobox homolog 2 (Drosophila Pc class)	28	76	-2,7	0,0057	
1449363_at	Atf3	activating transcription factor 3	293	784	-2,7	0,0021	
1416612_at	Cyp1b1	cytochrome P450, family 1, subfamily b, polypeptide 1	1979	5261	-2,7	0,0141	
1444947_at	Lasp1	LIM and SH3 protein 1	22	60	-2,7	0,0477	x
1456498_at	Igta4	integrin alpha 4	487	1286	-2,6	0,0110	
1442082_at	C3ar1	complement component 3a receptor 1	103	273	-2,6	0,0095	
1442845_at	C130075A20Rik	RIKEN cDNA C130075A20 gene	47	123	-2,6	0,0113	
1447272_s_at	Atp10a	ATPase, class V, type 10A	88	229	-2,6	0,0348	
1459713_s_at	Tmem16a	transmembrane protein 16A	848	2212	-2,6	0,0058	
1427671_a_at	Fmn1	formin 1	50	130	-2,6	0,0276	
1426782_at	Gpr125	G protein-coupled receptor 125	166	433	-2,6	0,0218	
1452288_at	BB128963	expressed sequence BB128963	2401	6226	-2,6	0,0061	
1456429_at	Malt1	mucosa associated lymphoid tissue lymphoma translocation gene 1	12	32	-2,6	0,0218	
1428804_at	Mfap3l	microfibrillar-associated protein 3-like	2663	6857	-2,6	0,0144	
1422914_at	Sp5	trans-acting transcription factor 5	5	12	-2,6	0,0295	
1451382_at	Chac1	ChaC, cation transport regulator-like 1 (E. coli)	84	215	-2,6	0,0189	
1442222_at	Ifnar1	interferon (alpha and beta) receptor 1	16	42	-2,6	0,0217	
1416564_at	Sox7	SRY-box containing gene 7	713	1822	-2,6	0,0339	x
1429158_at	Fbxo28	F-box protein 28	158	402	-2,6	0,0278	
1457522_at	1110034C04Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110034C04 gene	28	72	-2,5	0,0441	
1423417_at	Smarcc1	SWI/SNF related, matrix associated, actin dependent regulator of chromatin, subfamily c, member 1	60	152	-2,5	0,0313	
1438999_a_at	Nfat5	nuclear factor of activated T-cells 5	380	948	-2,5	0,0278	
1450209_at	Hoxd4	homeo box D4	4	11	-2,5	0,0224	
1448323_a_at	Bgn	biglycan	75	186	-2,5	0,0310	
1437065_at	7330412A13Rik	RIKEN cDNA 7330412A13 gene	153	381	-2,5	0,0071	x
1437745_at	Chd7	chromodomain helicase DNA binding protein 7	109	270	-2,5	0,0253	
1434475_at	Ppig	peptidyl-prolyl isomerase G (cyclophilin G)	31	76	-2,5	0,0127	
1426642_at	Fn1	fibronectin 1	9750	23923	-2,5	0,0136	

1460056_at	1700109F18Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1700109F18 gene	387	949	-2,4	0,0408	x
1424086_at	D9Ucla1	DNA segment, Chr 9, University of California at Los Angeles 1	639	1565	-2,4	0,0196	
1423721_at	Tpm1	tropomyosin 1, alpha	3646	8918	-2,4	0,0400	
1418753_at	Gfpt2	glutamine fructose-6-phosphate transaminase 2	1341	3278	-2,4	0,0069	
1424099_at	2310016C16Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2310016C16 gene	1072	2617	-2,4	0,0110	
1417008_at	Crat	carnitine acetyltransferase	18	45	-2,4	0,0271	
1429735_at	1110003F05Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110003F05 gene	71	173	-2,4	0,0175	
1421205_at	Atm	ataxia telangiectasia mutated homolog (human)	34	82	-2,4	0,0479	
1438271_at	Lpp	LIM domain containing preferred translocation partner in lipoma	929	2233	-2,4	0,0479	
1417175_at	Csnk1e	casein kinase 1, epsilon	59	141	-2,4	0,0354	
1415892_at	Sgpl1	sphingosine phosphate lyase 1	47	113	-2,4	0,0273	
1429183_at	Pkp2	plakophilin 2	146	348	-2,4	0,0070	
1439794_at	Ntn4	netrin 4	157	375	-2,4	0,0393	
1451924_a_at	Edn1	endothelin 1	1881	4447	-2,4	0,0418	x
1436003_at	Vcam1	vascular cell adhesionmolecule1	657	1549	-2,4	0,0470	x
1454877_at	Sertad4	SERTA domain containing 4	338	795	-2,4	0,0013	x
1428834_at	Dusp4	dual specificity phosphatase 4	1458	3404	-2,3	0,0195	
1443534_at	Mbnl1	muscleblind-like 1 (Drosophila)	242	566	-2,3	0,0419	
1418350_at	Hbegf	heparin-binding EGF-like growth factor	2012	4688	-2,3	0,0189	
1455649_at	Ttc9	tetratricopeptide repeat domain 9	1105	2571	-2,3	0,0179	x
1439488_at	Dot1l	DOT1-like, histone H3 methyltransferase (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	22	52	-2,3	0,0195	
1424380_at	Vps37b	vacuolar protein sorting 37B (yeast)	66	152	-2,3	0,0446	
1449314_at	Zfpm2	zinc finger protein, multitype 2	175	404	-2,3	0,0400	
1455647_at	Ar	androgen receptor	72	167	-2,3	0,0418	
1454788_at	Arl4c	ADP-ribosylation factor-like 4C	740	1704	-2,3	0,0064	
1426848_at	Sec24b	SEC24 related gene family, member B (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	145	333	-2,3	0,0310	
1434967_at	Zswim6	zinc finger, SWIM domain containing 6	274	627	-2,3	0,0284	
1435078_at	3526402J09Rik	RIKEN cDNA 3526402J09 gene	22	50	-2,3	0,0408	
1449158_at	Kcnk2	potassium channel, subfamily K, member 2	75	171	-2,3	0,0221	
1417476_at	Fbxw5	F-box and WD-40 domain protein 5	114	259	-2,3	0,0160	
1426297_at	Tcfe2a	transcription factor E2a	98	223	-2,3	0,0357	
1440195_at	Serbp1	Serpine1 mRNA binding protein 1	36	81	-2,3	0,0245	
1417962_s_at	Ghr	growth hormone receptor	1585	3601	-2,3	0,0066	
1419066_at	Ier5l	immediate early response 5-like	215	489	-2,3	0,0189	
1426951_at	Crim1	cysteine rich transmembrane BMP regulator 1 (chordin like)	2759	6264	-2,3	0,0011	
1455002_at	Ptp4a1	protein tyrosine phosphatase 4a1	3034	6877	-2,3	0,0219	x
1434797_at	6720469N11Rik	RIKEN cDNA 6720469N11 gene	153	348	-2,3	0,0291	
1438673_at	Slc4a7	solute carrier family 4, sodium bicarbonate cotransporter, member 7	430	972	-2,3	0,0098	
1433943_at	BC063749	cDNA sequence BC063749	211	477	-2,3	0,0195	
1429809_at	Tmtc2	transmembrane and tetrapeptide repeat containing 2	177	399	-2,3	0,0157	
1438739_at	Cnbp1	cellular nucleic acid binding protein 1	81	182	-2,3	0,0067	
1419136_at	Akr1c18	aldo-keto reductase family 1, member C18	268	602	-2,2	0,0304	
1421344_a_at	Jul	ajuba	1659	3715	-2,2	0,0075	

1416981_at	Foxo1	forkhead box O1	275	611	-2,2	0,0272
1433645_at	2210409B22Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2210409B22 gene	454	1009	-2,2	0,0035
1438133_a_at	Cyr61	cysteine rich protein 61	3747	8326	-2,2	0,0315
1424005_at	B230219D22Rik	RIKEN cDNA B230219D22 gene	788	1748	-2,2	0,0305 x
1418606_at	Hoxd10	homeo box D10	75	166	-2,2	0,0451
1423269_a_at	Neddd4l	neural precursor cell expressed, developmentally down-regulated gene 4-like	465	1028	-2,2	0,0151
1418471_at	Pgf	placental growth factor	687	1517	-2,2	0,0439
1438816_at	Ahctf1	AT hook containing transcription factor 1	35	77	-2,2	0,0297 x
1437862_at	2600011C06Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2600011C06 gene	265	583	-2,2	0,0102
1441358_at	Pcdhb16	protocadherin beta 16	57	126	-2,2	0,0364
1426721_s_at	Tiparp	TcDD-inducible poly(ADP-ribose) polymerase	951	2091	-2,2	0,0006 x
1440355_at	Kctd12b	potassium channel tetramerisation domain containing 12b	610	1340	-2,2	0,0200
1435455_at	C79267	expressed sequence C79267	35	77	-2,2	0,0084
1434786_at	Ppp1r12b	protein phosphatase 1, regulatory (inhibitor) subunit 12B	51	111	-2,2	0,0252
1424659_at	Slit2	slit homolog 2 (Drosophila)	886	1925	-2,2	0,0147
1436037_at	Cerkl	ceramide kinase-like	662	1437	-2,2	0,0122 x
1416892_s_at	3110001A13Rik	RIKEN cDNA 3110001A13 gene	2681	5821	-2,2	0,0049
1456201_at	4632427E13Rik	RIKEN cDNA 4632427E13 gene	99	215	-2,2	0,0265
1434959_at	Dhh	desert hedgehog	224	484	-2,2	0,0033
1439364_a_at	Mmp2	matrix metalloproteinase 2	112	241	-2,2	0,0148 x
1423077_at	Snx9	sorting nexin 9	741	1600	-2,2	0,0200 x
1423967_at	Palm	paralemmin	97	209	-2,2	0,0103
1429621_at	Cand2	cullin-associated and neddylation-dissociated 2 (putative)	5	12	-2,2	0,0097
1448155_at	Pdcd6ip	programmed cell death 6 interacting protein	835	1797	-2,2	0,0098
1448128_at	Ppgb	protective protein for beta-galactosidase	2593	5566	-2,1	0,0031
1420796_at	Ahrr	aryl-hydrocarbon receptor repressor	127	274	-2,1	0,0217
1438038_at	4930402H24Rik	RIKEN cDNA 4930402H24 gene	405	865	-2,1	0,0171
1450397_at	Mtap1b	microtubule-associated protein 1 B	145	308	-2,1	0,0498
1434186_at	Gpr23	G protein-coupled receptor 23	303	643	-2,1	0,0309
1454894_at	Smurf2	SMAD specific E3 ubiquitin protein ligase 2	4396	9327	-2,1	0,0211
1416658_at	Frzb	frizzled-related protein	10	20	-2,1	0,0357
1433599_at	Baz1a	bromodomain adjacent to zinc finger domain 1A	1454	3073	-2,1	0,0298 x
1457166_at	AA536749	expressed sequence AA536749	19	39	-2,1	0,0340
1433937_at	Trp53bp2	transformation related protein 53 binding protein 2	52	109	-2,1	0,0474
1418058_at	E1td1	EGF, latrophilin seven transmembrane domain containing 1	705	1480	-2,1	0,0298
1425271_at	Psmc3ip	proteasome (prosome, macropain) 26S subunit, ATPase 3, interacting protein	141	296	-2,1	0,0219 x
1435867_at	A630082K20Rik	RIKEN cDNA A630082K20 gene	144	302	-2,1	0,0236
1450669_at	Map3k11	mitogen activated protein kinase kinase kinase 1.1	157	329	-2,1	0,0222
1434071_a_at	Pelo	pelota homolog (Drosophila)	77	161	-2,1	0,0379
1428853_at	Ptch1	patched homolog 1	1084	2242	-2,1	0,0098

1455750_at	BC053994	cDNA sequence BC053994	181	374	-2,1	0,0297
1435284_at	Rtn4	reticulon 4	1413	2915	-2,1	0,0268
1448650_a_at	Pole	polymerase (DNA directed), epsilon	395	814	-2,1	0,0259
1422123_s_at	Ceacam1	CEA-related cell adhesion molecule 1	344	708	-2,1	0,0252
1424156_at	Rbl1	retinoblastoma-like 1 (p107)	595	1223	-2,1	0,0298
1418539_a_at	Ptpre	protein tyrosine phosphatase, receptor type, E	626	1284	-2,1	0,0061
1453069_at	Pik3cb	phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase, catalytic, beta polypeptide	80	164	-2,0	0,0241
1423165_a_at	Mta2	metastasis-associated gene family, member 2	340	695	-2,0	0,0356
1436838_x_at	Cotl1	coactosin-like 1 (Dictyostelium)	17	35	-2,0	0,0298
1438081_at	Mcc	mutated in colorectal cancers	350	714	-2,0	0,0356
1438211_s_at	Dbp	D site albumin promoter binding protein	590	1201	-2,0	0,0422
1435013_at	BC053401	cDNA sequence BC053401	94	192	-2,0	0,0400
1429290_at	Cbx6	chromobox homolog 6	1418	2884	-2,0	0,0033
1454995_at	Ddah1	dimethylarginine dimethylaminohydrolase 1	2315	4700	-2,0	0,0037
1428615_at	P2ry5	purinergic receptor P2Y, G-protein coupled, 5	3366	6826	-2,0	0,0015
1448957_at	Rbpsuh	recombining binding protein suppressor of hairless (Drosophila)	116	234	-2,0	0,0311
1433575_at	Sox4	SRY-box containing gene 4	1442	2908	-2,0	0,0190
1428395_at	Smurf1	SMAD specific E3 ubiquitin protein ligase 1	379	762	-2,0	0,0256
1427266_at	2610016F04Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2610016F04 gene	816	1640	-2,0	0,0492
1417487_at	Fosl1	fos-like antigen 1	1176	2361	-2,0	0,0035
1422437_at	Col5a2	collagen, type V, alpha 2	4622	9269	-2,0	0,0126
1453107_s_at	Pebp1	phosphatidylethanolamine binding protein 1	508	1015	-2,0	0,0402
1436460_at	BC030440	cDNA sequence BC030440	34	67	-2,0	0,0364
1455015_at	Tbc1d9	TBC1 domain family, member 9	159	317	-2,0	0,0452
1449419_at	Dock8	dedicator of cytokinesis 8	191	382	-2,0	0,0146
1438063_at	Mphosph9	M-phase phosphoprotein 9	23	46	-2,0	0,0495
1422631_at	Ahr	aryl-hydrocarbon receptor	846	1684	-2,0	0,0297
1436240_at	Sost	sclerostin	108	216	-2,0	0,0124
1439673_at	Ppp1cb	protein phosphatase 1, catalytic subunit, beta isoform	31	62	-2,0	0,0245
1416749_at	Htra1	Htra serine peptidase 1	403	800	-2,0	0,0342
1434177_at	Ece1	endothelin converting enzyme 1	132	262	-2,0	0,0472
1429560_at	Zfp422-rs1	zinc finger protein 422, related sequence 1	507	1004	-2,0	0,0183
1426206_at	Robo4	roundabout homolog 4 (Drosophila)	798	1578	-2,0	0,0272
1453111_a_at	D11Erttd333e	DNA segment, Chr 11, ERATO Doi 333, expressed	280	554	-2,0	0,0418
1452833_at	Rapgef2	Rap guanine nucleotide exchange factor (GEF) 2	3637	7176	-2,0	0,0093
1427294_a_at	1810073N04Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1810073N04 gene	351	691	-2,0	0,0065
1451264_at	Frmf6	FERM domain containing 6	471	925	-2,0	0,0201
1455352_at	AU023006	expressed sequence AU023006	151	297	-2,0	0,0305
1423277_at	Ptpnk	protein tyrosine phosphatase, receptor type, K	948	1855	-2,0	0,0069
1417292_at	Ifi47	interferon gamma inducible protein 47	696	1360	-2,0	0,0005
1454967_at	A930001N09Rik	RIKEN cDNA A930001N09 gene	140	273	-1,9	0,0082
1454034_a_at	Usp21	ubiquitin specific peptidase 21	187	363	-1,9	0,0149
1424113_at	Lamb1-1	laminin B1 subunit 1	507	985	-1,9	0,0278

1419168_at	Mapk6	mitogen-activated protein kinase 6	203	393	-1,9	0,0465	x
1439111_at	Tsc22d1	TSC22 domain family, member 1	23	44	-1,9	0,0418	
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1448914_a_at	Csf1	colony stimulating factor 1 (macrophage)	231	447	-1,9	0,0211	
1416308_at	Ugdh	UDP-glucose dehydrogenase	4958	9579	-1,9	0,0118	x
1448908_at	Ppap2b	phosphatidic acid phosphatase type 2B	750	1449	-1,9	0,0472	
1426981_at	Pcsk6	proprotein convertase subtilisin/kexin type 6	97	187	-1,9	0,0236	
1454656_at	Spata13	spermatogenesis associated 13	349	672	-1,9	0,0384	
1436985_at	Zfp644	zinc finger protein 644	62	119	-1,9	0,0108	
1417960_at	Cpeb1	cytoplasmic polyadenylation element binding protein 1	280	539	-1,9	0,0493	
1435349_at	Nrp2	neuropilin 2	1694	3250	-1,9	0,0207	
1438481_at	AW047464	expressed sequence AW047464	24	46	-1,9	0,0393	x
1434576_at	Tsga14	testis specific gene A14	103	196	-1,9	0,0451	
1425179_at	Shmt1	serine hydroxymethyl transferase 1 (soluble)	159	304	-1,9	0,0444	
1416454_s_at	Acta2	actin, alpha 2, smooth muscle, aorta	546	1043	-1,9	0,0283	
1455353_at	Tmcc1	transmembrane and coiled coil domains 1	159	304	-1,9	0,0093	
1449195_s_at	Cxcl16	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 16	58	112	-1,9	0,0397	
1452521_a_at	Plaur	plasminogen activator, urokinase receptor	799	1523	-1,9	0,0386	x
1455197_at	Rnd1	Rho family GTPase 1	1072	2039	-1,9	0,0232	x
1417706_at	Naglu	alpha-N-acetylglucosaminidase (Sanfilippo disease IIIB)	19	36	-1,9	0,0427	
1428911_at	Ttll4	tubulin tyrosine ligase-like family, member 4	463	879	-1,9	0,0067	x
1429009_at	Snrp70	U1 small nuclear ribonucleoprotein polypeptide A	30	57	-1,9	0,0350	
1427147_at	F730047E07Rik	RIKEN cDNA F730047E07 gene	92	174	-1,9	0,0481	
1430309_at	Nipbl	Nipped-B homolog (Drosophila)	644	1220	-1,9	0,0110	
1433909_at	Syt17	synaptotagmin XVII	352	666	-1,9	0,0271	
1445037_at	6430510B20Rik	RIKEN cDNA 6430510B20 gene	42	80	-1,9	0,0456	
1415703_at	Huwe1	HECT, UBA and WWE domain containing 1	577	1088	-1,9	0,0137	
1455160_at	2610203C20Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2610203C20 gene	1186	2234	-1,9	0,0251	
1430388_a_at	Sulf2	sulfatase 2	157	296	-1,9	0,0144	
1456880_at	Hpv2	human papillomavirus 18 E5 central sequence motif gene 2	96	181	-1,9	0,0386	x
1424843_a_at	Gas5	growth arrest specific 5	47	88	-1,9	0,0345	
1418090_at	Pivap	plasmalemma vesicle associated protein	6788	12753	-1,9	0,0043	
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1428967_at	A330103N21Rik	RIKEN cDNA A330103N21 gene	256	480	-1,9	0,0413	
1422622_at	Nos3	nitric oxide synthase 3, endothelial cell	3517	6598	-1,9	0,0118	
1429749_at	9330180L21Rik	RIKEN cDNA 9330180L21 gene	40	75	-1,9	0,0058	
1430139_at	Hells	helicase, lymphoid specific	368	688	-1,9	0,0061	
1422546_at	Ilf3	interleukin enhancer binding factor 3	45	85	-1,9	0,0251	
1433460_at	Ttc7b	tetratricopeptide repeat domain 7B	817	1523	-1,9	0,0395	
1427891_at	Gimap6	GTPase, IMAP family member 6	203	378	-1,9	0,0019	
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1456791_at	AA407452	EST AA407452	174	323	-1,9	0,0305	
1430075_at	Sf3b3	splicing factor 3b, subunit 3	51	94	-1,9	0,0304	

1418379_s_at	Gpr124	G protein-coupled receptor 124	459	849	-1,9	0,0276
1420682_at	Chrbp1	cholinergic receptor, nicotinic, beta polypeptide 1 (muscle)	162	300	-1,8	0,0454
1428951_at	Nol8	nucleolar protein 8	216	400	-1,8	0,0405 x
1452072_at	Myct1	myc target 1	877	1621	-1,8	0,0089
1424089_a_at	Tcf4	transcription factor 4	4317	7975	-1,8	0,0063
1431293_a_at	Cldnd1	claudin containing domain 1	842	1554	-1,8	0,0163
1434131_at	Rufy1	RUN and FYVE domain containing 1	115	212	-1,8	0,0297
1434740_at	Scarf2	scavenger receptor class F, member 2	13	24	-1,8	0,0309
1416818_at	Parva	parvin, alpha	495	908	-1,8	0,0246
1416214_at	Mcm4	minichromosome maintenance deficient 4 homolog (S. cerevisiae)	2326	4264	-1,8	0,0437
1422272_at	Phxr4	per-hexamer repeat gene 4	124	228	-1,8	0,0165
1426790_at	Ssrp1	structure specific recognition protein 1	2565	4690	-1,8	0,0478
1437896_at	Zcrb1	zinc finger CCHC-type and RNA binding motif 1	20	37	-1,8	0,0194
1417947_at	Pcna	proliferating cell nuclear antigen	10255	18735	-1,8	0,0236
1452912_at	2600005003Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2600005003 gene	284	517	-1,8	0,0189
1418587_at	Traf3	Tnf receptor-associated factor 3	583	1060	-1,8	0,0170
1438700_at	Fnbp4	formin binding protein 4	5	10	-1,8	0,0256
1436520_at	AI450948	expressed sequence AI450948	3341	6067	-1,8	0,0095
1452821_at	Tial1	Tial1 cytotoxic granule-associated RNA binding protein-like 1	137	248	-1,8	0,0398
1423369_at	Fmr1	fragile X mental retardation syndrome 1 homolog	1076	1950	-1,8	0,0340
1448894_at	Akr1b8	aldo-keto reductase family 1, member B8	3148	5704	-1,8	0,0313
1424230_at	Exoc6	exocyst complex component 6	152	275	-1,8	0,0412
1417111_at	Man1a	mannosidase 1, alpha	1359	2454	-1,8	0,0223
1448325_at	Myd116	myeloid differentiation primary response gene 116	45	82	-1,8	0,0170
1438691_at	Zzef1	zinc finger, ZZ-type with EF hand domain 1	559	1008	-1,8	0,0412
1454136_a_at	4921524J17Rik	RIKEN cDNA 4921524J17 gene	1714	3092	-1,8	0,0309
1436248_at	---	Adult male spinal cord cDNA, RIKEN full-length enriched library, clone:A330033L11 product:unclassifiable, full insert sequence	848	1529	-1,8	0,0121
1437645_at	Atf7	activating transcription factor 7	182	327	-1,8	0,0441
1426238_at	Bmp1	bone morphogenetic protein 1	62	112	-1,8	0,0494
1449109_at	Socs2	suppressor of cytokine signaling 2	492	886	-1,8	0,0470 x
1428497_at	Secisbp2	SECIS binding protein 2	78	140	-1,8	0,0351
1449300_at	Cttnbp2nl	CTTNBP2 N-terminal like	345	620	-1,8	0,0197
1416812_at	Tia1	cytotoxic granule-associated RNA binding protein 1	336	604	-1,8	0,0073
1419853_a_at	Dnajb9	DnaJ (Hsp40) homolog, subfamily B, member 9	95	170	-1,8	0,0451
1429559_at	Gnaq	guanine nucleotide binding protein, alpha q polypeptide	2419	4342	-1,8	0,0159
1434211_at	Sh3bgrl2	SH3 domain binding glutamic acid-rich protein like 2	88	157	-1,8	0,0047
1456681_at	AI848149	expressed sequence AI848149	401	718	-1,8	0,0271
1455500_at	D11Erttd759e	DNA segment, Chr 11, ERATO Doi 759, expressed	1283	2297	-1,8	0,0471
1433608_at	Scfd2	sec1 family domain containing 2	22	40	-1,8	0,0189
1428725_at	Pias2	protein inhibitor of activated STAT 2	183	326	-1,8	0,0250
1457357_at	Tlk2	tousled-like kinase 2 (Arabidopsis)	25	44	-1,8	0,0470

1422771_at	Smad6	MAD homolog 6 (<i>Drosophila</i>)	306	546	-1.8	0.0381	
1417371_at	Peli1	pellino 1	238	425	-1.8	0.0201	
1428231_at	Cpsf6	cleavage and polyadenylation specific factor 6	740	1317	-1.8	0.0132	
1422549_at	Arl2	ADP-ribosylation factor-like 2	181	321	-1.8	0.0457	
1416122_at	Ccnd2	cyclin D2	842	1498	-1.8	0.0138	
1423584_at	Igfbp7	insulin-like growth factor binding protein 7	1663	2957	-1.8	0.0149	
1435597_at	C130052G03Rik	RIKEN cDNA C130052G03 gene	266	473	-1.8	0.0295	x
1416377_at	Pdcd7	programmed cell death protein 7	182	323	-1.8	0.0347	
1416805_at	1110032E23Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110032E23 gene	2230	3954	-1.8	0.0412	
1460303_at	Nr3c1	nuclear receptor subfamily 3, group C, member 1	1069	1894	-1.8	0.0158	
1415973_at	Marcks	myristoylated alanine rich protein kinase C substrate	2040	3615	-1.8	0.0076	
1460633_at	Prpf19	PRP19/PSO4 pre-mRNA processing factor 19 homolog (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	206	364	-1.8	0.0305	
1416845_at	Tmem132a	transmembrane protein 132A	45	79	-1.8	0.0336	
1438345_at	---	Transcribed locus	10	17	-1.8	0.0027	
1424008_a_at	Rbpms2	RNA binding protein with multiple splicing 2	354	625	-1.8	0.0295	
1453257_at	Agpat5	1-acylglycerol-3-phosphate O-acyltransferase 5 (lysophosphatidic acid acyltransferase, epsilon)	753	1331	-1.8	0.0110	
1435880_at	Ankrd50	ankrin repeat domain 50	2331	4111	-1.8	0.0422	
1448402_at	Tin1	talin 1	2144	3780	-1.8	0.0392	
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1452306_at	Zfyve26	zinc finger, FYVE domain containing 26	229	401	-1.8	0.0320	
1451253_at	Pxk	PX domain containing serine/threonine kinase	266	466	-1.8	0.0402	
1428509_at	Myo1e	myosin IE	504	882	-1.8	0.0434	
1419255_at	Spnb2	spectrin beta 2	242	423	-1.7	0.0251	
1431892_a_at	Picd3	phospholipase C, delta 3	153	267	-1.7	0.0141	
1455238_at	Mum11	melanoma associated antigen (mutated) 1-like 1	953	1664	-1.7	0.0149	
1434334_at	Prkd2	protein kinase D2	273	477	-1.7	0.0335	
1416216_at	Reps1	RalBP1 associated Eps domain containing protein	224	390	-1.7	0.0159	
1421164_a_at	Arhgef1	Rho guanine nucleotide exchange factor (GEF) 1	262	457	-1.7	0.0179	
1435260_at	Sdccag8	serologically defined colon cancer antigen 8	115	201	-1.7	0.0252	
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1455356_at	Camsap1	calmodulin regulated spectrin-associated protein 1	392	681	-1.7	0.0413	
1420028_s_at	Mcm3	minichromosome maintenance deficient 3 (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	3378	5859	-1.7	0.0360	
1417209_at	Sertad2	SERTA domain containing 2	340	590	-1.7	0.0491	
1423350_at	Socs5	suppressor of cytokine signaling 5	2724	4715	-1.7	0.0170	
1448851_a_at	Dnajc5	DnaJ (Hsp40) homolog, subfamily C, member 5	137	238	-1.7	0.0095	
1424748_at	Galnt11	UDP-N-acetyl-alpha-D-galactosamine:polypeptide N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 11	346	599	-1.7	0.0279	
1424594_at	Lgals7	lectin, galactose binding, soluble 7	983	1698	-1.7	0.0340	
1417065_at	Egr1	early growth response 1	132	227	-1.7	0.0134	
1433640_at	Fubp1	far upstream element (FUSE) binding protein 1	612	1057	-1.7	0.0298	
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1418098_at	Adcy4	adenylate cyclase 4	1311	2259	-1,7	0,0084
1418571_at	Tnfrsf12a	tumor necrosis factor receptor superfamily, member 12a	2261	3892	-1,7	0,0134
1438008_at	Gga3	golgi associated, gamma adaptin ear containing, ARF binding protein 3	116	200	-1,7	0,0340
1434737_at	Obfc1	oligonucleotide/oligosaccharide-binding fold containing 1	116	199	-1,7	0,0089
1419203_at	Gtlf3a	gene trap locus F3a	91	157	-1,7	0,0065
1454086_a_at	Lmo2	LIM domain only 2	715	1225	-1,7	0,0298
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1452178_at	Plec1	plectin 1	126	216	-1,7	0,0335
1455333_at	Tns3	tensin 3	3420	5851	-1,7	0,0065
1435434_at	Braf	Braf transforming gene	128	219	-1,7	0,0323
1455733_at	A430105I05Rik	RIKEN cDNA A430105I05 gene	211	361	-1,7	0,0225
1420979_at	Pak1	p21 (CDKN1A)-activated kinase 1	100	171	-1,7	0,0303
1437632_at	1810030007Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1810030007 gene	920	1571	-1,7	0,0138
1452058_a_at	Rnf11	ring finger protein 11	1162	1984	-1,7	0,0095
1451803_a_at	Vegfb	vascular endothelial growth factor B	272	463	-1,7	0,0366
1426825_at	Fmn13	formin-like 3	242	413	-1,7	0,0387 x
1435461_at	Magi3	membrane associated guanylate kinase, WW and PDZ domain containing 3	598	1019	-1,7	0,0284
1433595_at	Slc35d1	solute carrier family 35 (UDP-glucuronic acid/UDP-N-acetylgalactosamine dual transporter), member D1	317	539	-1,7	0,0145
1439972_at	Etnk1	ethanolamine kinase 1	28	48	-1,7	0,0306
1417540_at	Elf1	E74-like factor 1	595	1012	-1,7	0,0142
1415869_a_at	Trim28	tripartite motif protein 28	1872	3181	-1,7	0,0297
1451069_at	Pim3	proviral integration site 3	36	60	-1,7	0,0115
1454664_a_at	Eif5	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 5	2828	4801	-1,7	0,0438
1434805_at	Milt1	myeloid/lymphoid or mixed lineage-leukemia translocation to 1 homolog (Drosophila)	188	319	-1,7	0,0199
1428694_at	5033413D16Rik	RIKEN cDNA 5033413D16 gene	66	111	-1,7	0,0427
1458440_at	Specc1	spectrin domain with coiled-coils 1	431	728	-1,7	0,0365
1416953_at	Ctgf	connective tissue growth factor	11259	19014	-1,7	0,0173
1448430_a_at	Naca	nascent polypeptide-associated complex alpha polypeptide	10798	18226	-1,7	0,0384 x
1448558_a_at	Pla2g4a	phospholipase A2, group IVA (cytosolic, calcium-dependent)	3542	5978	-1,7	0,0136
1417419_at	Ccnd1	cyclin D1	9064	15272	-1,7	0,0282
1438400_at	4632411B12Rik	RIKEN cDNA 4632411B12 gene	415	698	-1,7	0,0305
1423577_at	Ankrd32	ankyrin repeat domain 32	62	105	-1,7	0,0159
1436897_at	Mfhas1	malignant fibrous histiocytoma amplified sequence 1	76	128	-1,7	0,0063
1437041_at	5730406M06Rik	RIKEN cDNA 5730406M06 gene	195	327	-1,7	0,0341
1434337_at	Cntm3	CKLF-like MARVEL transmembrane domain containing 3	125	210	-1,7	0,0320
1417189_at	Psmc2	proteasome (prosome, macropain) 28 subunit, beta	662	1107	-1,7	0,0422 x
1423809_at	Tcf19	transcription factor 19	1278	2136	-1,7	0,0219
1425972_a_at	Zfx	zinc finger protein X-linked	673	1124	-1,7	0,0276
1433623_at	Zfp367	zinc finger protein 367	1401	2337	-1,7	0,0089

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1428452_at	2810025M15Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2810025M15 gene	880	1465	-1,7	0,0152
1427310_at	Falz	fetal Alzheimer antigen	1037	1726	-1,7	0,0285
1434393_at	Usp34	ubiquitin specific peptidase 34	393	653	-1,7	0,0400
1424175_at	Tef	thyrotroph embryonic factor	152	252	-1,7	0,0460
1451293_at	Rnu3ip2	RNA, U3 small nucleolar interacting protein 2	262	435	-1,7	0,0212
1426389_at	Carnk1d	calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase ID	58	96	-1,7	0,0236
1427228_at	Palld	palladin, cytoskeletal associated protein	2252	3737	-1,7	0,0302
1452612_at	Zfp294	zinc finger protein 294	504	836	-1,7	0,0244
1418936_at	Maff	v-maf musculoaponeurotic fibrosarcoma oncogene family, protein F (avian)	581	962	-1,7	0,0487
1417324_at	Mast2	microtubule associated serine/threonine kinase 2	321	531	-1,7	0,0099
1454776_at	Ehmt1	euchromatic histone methyltransferase 1	349	577	-1,7	0,0447
1434037_s_at	Pcaf	p300/CBP-associated factor	953	1574	-1,7	0,0121
1418516_at	Mtf2	metal response element binding transcription factor 2	1195	1972	-1,7	0,0448
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1438049_at	A430108E01Rik	RIKEN cDNA A430108E01 gene	625	1028	-1,6	0,0186
1426524_at	Gnpda2	glucosamine-6-phosphate deaminase 2	1098	1805	-1,6	0,0078
1426900_at	Jmj1d1c	jumonji domain containing 1C	967	1589	-1,6	0,0298
1418293_at	Ifit2	interferon-induced protein with tetratricopeptide repeats 2	1035	1696	-1,6	0,0271
1430435_at	Aff3	AF4/FMR2 family, member 3	133	217	-1,6	0,0285
1429499_at	Fbxo5	F-box only protein 5	2220	3633	-1,6	0,0328
1455084_x_at	Shmt2	serine hydroxymethyl transferase 2 (mitochondrial)	2063	3375	-1,6	0,0129
1447910_x_at	BC052688	cDNA sequence BC052688	40	66	-1,6	0,0273
1417547_at	Sart3	squamous cell carcinoma antigen recognized by T-cells 3	270	440	-1,6	0,0197
1437878_s_at	Ccdc39	coiled-coil domain containing 39	235	384	-1,6	0,0310
1438844_x_at	Spata5	spermatogenesis associated 5	160	260	-1,6	0,0118
1428230_at	Prkcn	protein kinase C, nu	1239	2018	-1,6	0,0251
1418440_at	Col8a1	procollagen, type VIII, alpha 1	2538	4132	-1,6	0,0387
1419536_a_at	Rela	v-rel reticuloendotheliosis viral oncogene homolog A (avian)	1076	1751	-1,6	0,0494
1429017_at	Smcr8	Smith-Magenis syndrome chromosome region, candidate 8 homolog (human)	271	440	-1,6	0,0090
1433862_at	Esp1	extra spindle poles-like 1 (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	424	689	-1,6	0,0254
1433736_at	Hcfc1	host cell factor C1	539	874	-1,6	0,0278
1428213_at	2410003A14Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2410003A14 gene	890	1441	-1,6	0,0195
1419126_at	Hoxd9	homeo box D9	476	771	-1,6	0,0376
1416591_at	Rab34	RAB34, member of RAS oncogene family	505	818	-1,6	0,0297
1428500_at	2210419D22Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2210419D22 gene	348	562	-1,6	0,0061
1438246_at	Ppib	peptidylprolyl isomerase B	114	184	-1,6	0,0256
1421844_at	Il1rap	interleukin 1 receptor accessory protein	624	1006	-1,6	0,0475
1450044_at	Fzd7	frizzled homolog 7 (<i>Drosophila</i>)	318	511	-1,6	0,0242
1435847_at	Cdc42bpa	Cdc42 binding protein kinase alpha	206	329	-1,6	0,0310
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1433485_x_at	Gpr56	G protein-coupled receptor 56	585	937	-1,6	0,0419
1457908_at	Zfp407	zinc finger protein 407	41	65	-1,6	0,0297 x
1433755_at	Mier1	mesoderm induction early response 1 homolog (Xenopus laevis)	397	633	-1,6	0,0285
1450051_at	Atrx	alpha thalassemia/mental retardation syndrome X-linked homolog (human)	458	727	-1,6	0,0475
1427959_at	Abhd10	abhydrolase domain containing 10	327	519	-1,6	0,0171
1452858_at	Elavl1	ELAV (embryonic lethal, abnormal vision, Drosophila)-like 1 (Hu antigen R)	27	43	-1,6	0,0276
1452220_at	Dock1	dedicator of cyto-kinesis 1	936	1479	-1,6	0,0311
1429660_s_at	Smc2l1	SMC2 structural maintenance of chromosomes 2-like 1 (yeast)	1153	1821	-1,6	0,0309
1419428_a_at	Gaa	glucosidase, alpha, acid	131	207	-1,6	0,0420
1439840_at	Polb	polymerase (DNA directed), beta	8	13	-1,6	0,0135
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1452310_at	Tada2l	transcriptional adaptor 2 (ADA2 homolog, yeast)-like	253	399	-1,6	0,0224 x
1449227_at	Ch25h	cholesterol 25-hydroxylase	3066	4830	-1,6	0,0280
1424991_s_at	Tyms	thymidylate synthase	1532	2409	-1,6	0,0420
1434620_s_at	Pkd2l2	polycystic kidney disease 2-like 2	2520	3947	-1,6	0,0160
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1433641_at	Smad5	MAD homolog 5 (Drosophila)	333	520	-1,6	0,0091
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1434210_s_at	Lrig1	leucine-rich repeats and immunoglobulin-like domains 1	824	1288	-1,6	0,0102
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1460227_at	Timp1	tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase 1	1878	2930	-1,6	0,0283
1436174_at	Atad2	ATPase family, AAA domain containing 2	1791	2788	-1,6	0,0064 x
1415986_at	Clcn4-2	chloride channel 4-2	431	672	-1,6	0,0314
1460444_at	Arb1	arrestin, beta 1	667	1038	-1,6	0,0170
1453270_a_at	Phf14	PHD finger protein 14	180	280	-1,6	0,0298
1435225_s_at	Brpf3	bromodomain and PHD finger containing, 3	13	20	-1,6	0,0069
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1434385_at	Tom1l2	target of myb1-like 2 (chicken)	418	648	-1,6	0,0481
1418347_at	Ccdc22	coiled-coil domain containing 22	534	828	-1,6	0,0303
1416532_at	Trrap	transformation/transcription domain-associated protein	255	396	-1,6	0,0375
1438320_s_at	Mcm7	minichromosome maintenance deficient 7 (S. cerevisiae)	6219	9638	-1,5	0,0075
1426949_s_at	Tpr	translocated promoter region	2843	4405	-1,5	0,0095
1424686_at	2700008B19Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2700008B19 gene	220	341	-1,5	0,0429
1417904_at	Dcile1a	DNA cross-link repair 1A, PSO2 homolog (S. cerevisiae)	141	217	-1,5	0,0434
1424033_at	Sfrs7	splicing factor, arginine/serine-rich 7	1691	2598	-1,5	0,0303

1427978_at	4732418C07Rik	RIKEN cDNA 4732418C07 gene	248	380	-1,5	0,0063	
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1417519_at	Plagl2	pleiomorphic adenoma gene-like 2	45	69	-1,5	0,0193	x
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1422731_at	Limd1	LIM domains containing 1	478	730	-1,5	0,0324	
1425265_a_at	Prnpip1	prion protein interacting protein 1	103	157	-1,5	0,0404	
1451977_at	Dyrk1a	dual-specificity tyrosine-(Y)-phosphorylation regulated kinase 1a	159	242	-1,5	0,0248	
1451462_a_at	Ifnar2	interferon (alpha and beta) receptor 2	1063	1621	-1,5	0,0223	
1435338_at	Cdk6	cyclin-dependent kinase 6	3812	5810	-1,5	0,0149	x
1448721_at	D1Erttd622e	DNA segment, Chr 1, ERATO Doi 622, expressed	1422	2167	-1,5	0,0411	
1417295_at	Mta1	metastasis associated 1	312	475	-1,5	0,0394	
1417056_at	Psmc1	proteasome (prosome, macropain) 28 subunit, alpha	793	1208	-1,5	0,0409	
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1440282_at	Tulp4	tubby like protein 4	1558	2370	-1,5	0,0304	
1429564_at	Pcgf5	polycomb group ring finger 5	843	1282	-1,5	0,0240	
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1448907_at	Thop1	thimet oligopeptidase 1	257	390	-1,5	0,0113	
1425072_at	Skp2	S-phase kinase-associated protein 2 (p45)	30	46	-1,5	0,0414	
1436303_at	Milt4	myeloid/lymphoid or mixed lineage-leukemia translocation to 4 homolog (Drosophila)	1827	2769	-1,5	0,0115	
1417409_at	Jun	Jun oncogene	1966	2980	-1,5	0,0144	
1460326_at	Pik3ca	phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase, catalytic, alpha polypeptide	107	163	-1,5	0,0115	
1436585_at	BB182297	expressed sequence BB182297	141	214	-1,5	0,0193	
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1416036_at	Fkbp1a	FK506 binding protein 1a	5338	8070	-1,5	0,0448	
1456505_at	Ndufb2	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 2	55	84	-1,5	0,0082	
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1416830_at	0610031J06Rik	RIKEN cDNA 0610031J06 gene	1084	1636	-1,5	0,0499	
1418024_at	Narg1	NMDA receptor-regulated gene 1	867	1308	-1,5	0,0280	x
1430535_at	Tsc22d2	TSC22 domain family 2	2124	3201	-1,5	0,0035	
1432827_x_at	Ubc	ubiquitin C	6762	10186	-1,5	0,0116	
1436308_at	Zfp292	zinc finger protein 292	170	256	-1,5	0,0438	
1428869_at	Nolc1	nucleolar and coiled-body phosphoprotein 1	2659	4002	-1,5	0,0051	
1416492_at	Ccne1	cyclin E1	226	340	-1,5	0,0206	
1429028_at	Dock11	dedicator of cytokinesis 11	1346	2025	-1,5	0,0434	
1435769_at	Akap9	A kinase (PRKA) anchor protein (yotiao) 9	325	488	-1,5	0,0171	
1428260_at	Spg3a	spastic paraplegia 3A homolog (human)	143	215	-1,5	0,0415	
1454006_a_at	Ubx6	UBX domain containing 6	83	124	-1,5	0,0110	
1433614_at	Snx27	sorting nexin family member 27	194	291	-1,5	0,0476	
1435006_s_at	Abcb7	ATP-binding cassette, sub-family B (MDR/TAP), member 7	665	997	-1,5	0,0285	

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1426852_x_at	Nov	nephroblastoma overexpressed gene	520	775	-1.5	0,0211
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1460210_at	Pkd1	polycystic kidney disease 1 homolog	217	322	-1.5	0,0224
1422547_at	Ranbp1	RAN binding protein 1	6177	9136	-1.5	0,0207
1417622_at	Slc12a2	solute carrier family 12, member 2	8113	12000	-1.5	0,0278
1434570_at	AK122525	cDNA sequence AK122525	352	521	-1.5	0,0203
1424141_at	Hectd1	HECT domain containing 1	2042	3015	-1.5	0,0121
1436036_at	Whsc1	Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome candidate 1 (human)	265	391	-1.5	0,0182
1444111_at	2200002K05Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2200002K05 gene	8	11	-1.5	0,0254
1444065_at	BC051585	PREDICTED: Mus musculus similar to novel ZZ type zinc finger domain containing protein (LOC544797), mRNA	19	27	-1.5	0,0118
1418843_at	Slc30a4	solute carrier family 30 (zinc transporter), member 4	4176	6136	-1.5	0,0200
1452681_at	Dtymk	deoxythymidylate kinase	461	678	-1.5	0,0266
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1441272_at	Matr3	matrin 3	94	137	-1.5	0,0414
1456477_at	Ccnt1	cyclin T1	180	263	-1.5	0,0176
1436181_at	Igfb1bp1	integrin beta 1 binding protein 1	379	554	-1.5	0,0186
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1454919_at	Nmt2	N-myristoyltransferase 2	1856	2706	-1.5	0,0467
1416816_at	Nek7	NIMA (never in mitosis gene a)-related expressed kinase 7	8312	12101	-1.5	0,0246
1452659_at	Dek	DEK oncogene (DNA binding)	8412	12229	-1.5	0,0095
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1434506_at	Arid2	AT rich interactive domain 2 (Arid-afx like)	25	37	-1.4	0,0276
1455686_at	5730507H05Rik	RIKEN cDNA 5730507H05 gene	231	334	-1.4	0,0345
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1429057_at	Narg1l	NMDA receptor regulated 1-like	515	741	-1.4	0,0251
1434791_at	Atp6v0a2	ATPase, H+ transporting, lysosomal V0 subunit A2	508	731	-1.4	0,0034
1417179_at	Tspan5	tetraspanin 5	929	1336	-1.4	0,0103 x
1429085_at	Vezf1	vascular endothelial zinc finger 1	1435	2064	-1.4	0,0493
1454698_at	Ptplad1	protein tyrosine phosphatase-like A domain containing 1	442	636	-1.4	0,0404
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1423249_at	Nktr	natural killer tumor recognition sequence	167	239	-1.4	0,0311
1424778_at	D10Ucla1	DNA segment, Chr_10, University of California at Los Angeles 1	308	440	-1.4	0,0493

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1416768_at	1110003E01Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110003E01 gene	1804	2569	-1.4	0.0155
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1423622_a_at	Ccn1l	cyclin L1	612	867	-1.4	0.0154
1429618_at	Cvld	cytindromatosis (turban tumor syndrome)	2340	3303	-1.4	0.0110
1418562_at	Sf3b1	splicing factor 3b, subunit 1	1495	2106	-1.4	0.0192
1417800_at	Parp2	poly (ADP-ribose) polymerase family, member 2	384	540	-1.4	0.0395
1429883_at	Actl6a	actin-like 6A	192	271	-1.4	0.0413
1426364_at	Mrrf	mitochondrial ribosome recycling factor	561	788	-1.4	0.0232
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1418012_at	Sh3glb1	SH3-domain GRB2-like B1 (endophilin)	661	927	-1.4	0.0278
1427878_at	0610010012Rik	RIKEN cDNA 0610010012 gene	68	95	-1.4	0.0421
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1423389_at	Smad7	MAD homolog 7 (Drosophila)	531	743	-1.4	0.0460
1434646_s_at	Sap18	Sin3-associated polypeptide 18	8797	12312	-1.4	0.0277
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1416254_a_at	Vps16	vacuolar protein sorting 16 (Yeast)	274	383	-1.4	0.0473
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1428169_at	Atg16l1	autophagy-related 16-like 1 (yeast)	235	327	-1.4	0.0309
1449839_at	Casp3	caspase 3	1603	2233	-1.4	0.0198
1416903_at	Nucb1	nucleobindin 1	974	1357	-1.4	0.0318
1455437_at	9030204A07Rik	RIKEN cDNA 9030204A07 gene	977	1360	-1.4	0.0434
1457111_at	AA415038	expressed sequence AA415038	61	84	-1.4	0.0450
1416171_at	2310037I24Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2310037I24 gene	2354	3267	-1.4	0.0099
1434507_at	Npepl1	aminopeptidase-like 1	562	778	-1.4	0.0065
1425560_a_at	S100a16	S100 calcium binding protein A16	3803	5252	-1.4	0.0399
1453183_at	1110034A24Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110034A24 gene	152	210	-1.4	0.0220
1417941_at	Nanp	N-acetylneuraminic acid phosphatase	542	748	-1.4	0.0328
1448703_at	Lsm8	LSM8 homolog, U6 small nuclear RNA associated (S. cerevisiae)	4003	5516	-1.4	0.0414
1448684_at	Ppp1r2	protein phosphatase 1, regulatory (inhibitor) subunit 2	5552	7650	-1.4	0.0348
1452868_at	Usp24	ubiquitin specific peptidase 24	315	434	-1.4	0.0453
1419647_a_at	Ier3	immediate early response 3	3770	5189	-1.4	0.0298
1435000_at	Gspt1	G1 to S phase transition 1	298	409	-1.4	0.0396
1422854_at	Shc1	src homology 2 domain-containing transforming protein C1	834	1147	-1.4	0.0231
1417138_s_at	Poir2e	polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide E	717	986	-1.4	0.0151
1438688_at	Srrm2	serine/arginine repetitive matrix 2	5595	7690	-1.4	0.0194
1450958_at	Tm4sf1	transmembrane 4 superfamily member 1	21467	29481	-1.4	0.0447

1448797_at	Elk3	ELK3, member of ETS oncogene family	5088	6985	-1,4	0,0297
1455227_at	Aadac1l	arylacetylamine deacetylase-like 1	335	460	-1,4	0,0334
1416641_at	Lig1	ligase I, DNA, ATP-dependent	1230	1684	-1,4	0,0255
1451083_s_at	Aars	alanyl-tRNA synthetase	2272	3110	-1,4	0,0043
1421963_a_at	Cdc25b	cell division cycle 25 homolog B (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	454	620	-1,4	0,0330
1427987_at	Safb2	scaffold attachment factor B2	296	405	-1,4	0,0313
1426397_at	Tgfb2	transforming growth factor, beta receptor II	2125	2901	-1,4	0,0065
1417674_s_at	Golga4	golgi autoantigen, golgin subfamily a, 4	1218	1656	-1,4	0,0135
1425745_a_at	Tacc2	transforming, acidic coiled-coil containing protein 2	881	1198	-1,4	0,0305
1427425_at	9130208E07Rik	RIKEN cDNA 9130208E07 gene	8	10	-1,4	0,0263
1417490_at	Ctsb	cathepsin B	6495	8827	-1,4	0,0242
1455586_at	Rnf168	ring finger protein 168	217	295	-1,4	0,0269
1433995_s_at	D16Bwg1543e	DNA segment, Chr 16, Brigham & Women's Genetics 1543 expressed	1284	1745	-1,4	0,0404
1456495_s_at	Osbpl6	oxysterol binding protein-like 6	229	311	-1,4	0,0250
1439128_at	---	Acyl-Coenzyme A binding domain containing 6, mRNA (cDNA clone IMAGE:3465595)	1474	1999	-1,4	0,0136
1426631_at	Pus7	pseudouridylylase synthase 7 homolog (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	945	1281	-1,4	0,0103
1418236_s_at	Atg5	autophagy-related 5 (yeast)	109	147	-1,4	0,0125
1425615_a_at	Pck2	phosphoenolpyruvate carboxykinase 2 (mitochondrial)	497	674	-1,4	0,0364
1448579_at	Glg1	golgi apparatus protein 1	1381	1867	-1,4	0,0308
1422669_at	Ebag9	estrogen receptor-binding fragment-associated gene 9	446	601	-1,3	0,0468
1450852_s_at	F2r	coagulation factor II (thrombin) receptor	5103	6867	-1,3	0,0283
1423507_a_at	Sirt2	sirtuin 2 (silent mating type information regulation 2, homolog 2 (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>))	1370	1841	-1,3	0,0413
1434643_at	Tb11x	transducin (beta)-like 1 X-linked	334	447	-1,3	0,0429
1448320_at	Stim1	stromal interaction molecule 1	160	213	-1,3	0,0446
1448597_at	Cstf1	cleavage stimulation factor, 3' pre-RNA, subunit 1	375	500	-1,3	0,0436
1416441_at	Pgcp	plasma glutamate carboxypeptidase	2238	2983	-1,3	0,0220
1452797_at	2310010B21Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2310010B21 gene	162	215	-1,3	0,0026
1434300_at	2610101N10Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2610101N10 gene	516	687	-1,3	0,0303
1448899_s_at	Rad51ap1	RAD51 associated protein 1	530	705	-1,3	0,0304
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1433699_at	Tnfaip3	tumor necrosis factor, alpha-induced protein 3	850	1128	-1,3	0,0439
1435739_at	AW208599	expressed sequence AW208599	234	309	-1,3	0,0158
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1452737_at	2810008M24Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2810008M24 gene	3721	4921	-1,3	0,0089
1448195_at	Taf5l	TAF5-like RNA polymerase II, p300/CBP-associated factor (PCAF)-associated factor	335	443	-1,3	0,0239
1438030_at	Rasgrp3	RAS, guanyl releasing protein 3	5726	7547	-1,3	0,0344
1435141_at	Sft2d2	SFT2 domain containing 2	1228	1616	-1,3	0,0323
1450981_at	Cnn2	calponin 2	5850	7696	-1,3	0,0376
1455311_at	Dgcr8	DiGeorge syndrome critical region gene 8	276	363	-1,3	0,0182
1423755_at	Zcchc8	zinc finger, CCHC domain containing 8	2080	2735	-1,3	0,0062

1434344_at	Gpkow	G patch domain and KOW motifs	803	1057	-1,3	0,0496
1415792_at	AL033326	expressed sequence AL033326	348	458	-1,3	0,0395
1416029_at	Klf10	Kruppel-like factor 10	857	1127	-1,3	0,0160
1420664_s_at	Procr	protein C receptor, endothelial	41788	54874	-1,3	0,0281
1419248_at	Rgs2	regulator of G-protein signaling 2	6330	8311	-1,3	0,0099
1453174_at	2310076G13Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2310076G13 gene	924	1212	-1,3	0,0301
1419455_at	Il10rb	interleukin 10 receptor, beta	1301	1704	-1,3	0,0162
1434958_at	Sacs	sacsin	3290	4307	-1,3	0,0076
1416501_at	Pdpk1	3-phosphoinositide dependent protein kinase-1	957	1252	-1,3	0,0248
1426485_at	Ubx2	UBX domain containing 2	4173	5416	-1,3	0,0076
1423128_at	Alp	aryl-hydrocarbon receptor-interacting protein	953	1236	-1,3	0,0384 x
1426861_at	9130023F12Rik	RIKEN cDNA 9130023F12 gene	560	724	-1,3	0,0282
1427689_a_at	Tnfp1	TNFAIP3 interacting protein 1	774	995	-1,3	0,0164
1437198_at	Rffl	ring finger and FYVE like domain containing protein	283	363	-1,3	0,0189
1438233_at	6030443007Rik	RIKEN cDNA 6030443007 gene	1228	1577	-1,3	0,0292
1456059_at	Psm11	proteasome (prosome, macropain) 26S subunit, non-ATPase, 11	408	523	-1,3	0,0201
1420636_a_at	Dusp12	dual specificity phosphatase 12	363	466	-1,3	0,0414
1439278_at	Zbtb20	zinc finger and BTB domain containing 20	742	950	-1,3	0,0118
1438735_at	Hbxap	hepatitis B virus x associated protein	312	399	-1,3	0,0208
1434117_at	Tceb3	transcription elongation factor B (SIII), polypeptide 3	101	128	1,3	0,0310
1423375_at	1700023B02Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1700023B02 gene	28	36	-1,3	0,0105
1452321_at	Brd1	bromodomain and WD repeat domain containing 1	48	61	-1,3	0,0348
1442287_at	---	Transcribed locus	89	114	-1,3	0,0299
1450887_at	Rgcd1	rgcd1 (required for cell differentiation) homolog 1 (S. pombe)	521	663	-1,3	0,0389
1416531_at	Gsto1	glutathione S-transferase omega 1	9569	12172	-1,3	0,0204
1423731_at	Aldh16a1	aldehyde dehydrogenase 16 family, member A1	92	117	-1,3	0,0311
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1452806_at	1500016010Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1500016010 gene	7	10	-1,3	0,0298
1418616_at	Mafk	v-maf musculoaponeurotic fibrosarcoma oncogene family, protein K (avian)	362	459	-1,3	0,0330
1416060_at	Tbc1d15	TBC1 domain family, member 15	2867	3633	-1,3	0,0465
1434671_at	B230337E12Rik	RIKEN cDNA B230337E12 gene	588	744	-1,3	0,0174
1422517_a_at	Znrd1	zinc ribbon domain containing, 1	1742	2198	-1,3	0,0298
1420046_s_at	Maf1	MAF1 homolog (S. cerevisiae)	921	1157	-1,3	0,0463
1416270_at	Polr2g	polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide G	4844	6082	-1,3	0,0171
1454834_at	Nfib	nuclear factor I/B	4843	6068	-1,3	0,0467
1434161_at	5830457H20Rik	RIKEN cDNA 5830457H20 gene	441	551	-1,3	0,0361
1423461_a_at	Ubl3	ubiquitin-like 3	1408	1760	-1,2	0,0436
1422801_at	RP23-336J1.4	Ras-GTPase-activating protein SH3-domain binding protein	3521	4390	-1,2	0,0210
1436069_at	Ing5	inhibitor of growth family, member 5	345	429	-1,2	0,0323
1428000_at	Tmem60	transmembrane protein 60	1517	1885	-1,2	0,0451
1434219_at	Stim2	stromal interaction molecule 2	2178	2702	-1,2	0,0330
1421821_at	Ldlr	low density lipoprotein receptor	937	1162	-1,2	0,0415

1436795_at	9630058J23Rik	RIKEN cDNA 9630058J23 gene	148	183	-1,2	0,0385	x
1424640_at	Arl8a	ADP-ribosylation factor-like 8A	519	640	-1,2	0,0409	
1425837_a_at	Ccrn4l	CCR4 carbon catabolite repression 4-like (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	2788	3435	-1,2	0,0315	
1448619_at	Dhcr7	7-dehydrocholesterol reductase	132	162	-1,2	0,0287	
1450705_at	Rdbp	RD RNA-binding protein	1168	1433	-1,2	0,0277	
1433666_s_at	Vps41	vacuolar protein sorting 41 (yeast)	615	754	-1,2	0,0236	
1423539_at	Pms2	postmeiotic segregation increased 2 (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	257	315	-1,2	0,0438	
1434665_at	Aga	aspartylglucosaminidase	721	881	-1,2	0,0252	
1426968_a_at	Rdh10	retinol dehydrogenase 10 (all-trans)	163	198	-1,2	0,0143	x
1451291_at	Obfc2b	oligonucleotide/oligosaccharide-binding fold containing 2B	430	521	-1,2	0,0351	
1416544_at	Ezh2	enhancer of zeste homolog 2 (<i>Drosophila</i>)	1811	2195	-1,2	0,0138	
1456026_at	8030451K01Rik	RIKEN cDNA 8030451K01 gene	527	638	-1,2	0,0377	
1422613_a_at	Rpl7a	ribosomal protein L7a	19659	23764	-1,2	0,0480	x
1452702_at	Clcn7	chloride channel 7	517	624	-1,2	0,0414	
1423047_at	Tollip	toll interacting protein	1628	1950	-1,2	0,0478	
1424149_at	1110014D18Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110014D18 gene	708	847	-1,2	0,0481	
1417086_at	Pafah1b1	platelet-activating factor acetylhydrolase, isoform 1b, beta1 subunit	267	320	-1,2	0,0474	
1438578_a_at	Btbd10	BTB (POZ) domain containing 10	2609	3120	-1,2	0,0195	
1428842_a_at	Ngfrap1	nerve growth factor receptor (TNFRSF16) associated protein 1	3255	3889	-1,2	0,0471	
1426817_at	Mki67	antigen identified by monoclonal antibody Ki 67	8730	10421	-1,2	0,0441	
1452151_at	BC021523	cDNA sequence BC021523	501	597	-1,2	0,0127	
1423975_s_at	Numa1	nuclear mitotic apparatus protein 1	816	968	-1,2	0,0441	
1435679_at	Optn	optineurin	347	410	-1,2	0,0330	
1419867_a_at	Ankhd1	ankyrin repeat and KH domain containing 1	522	614	-1,2	0,0387	
1423275_at	Ddx26	DEAD/H (Asp-Glu-Ala-Asp/His) box polypeptide 26	600	697	-1,2	0,0446	
1416963_at	Ubadc1	ubiquitin associated domain containing 1	705	812	-1,2	0,0413	x
1417451_a_at	Ppia	peptidylprolyl isomerase A	24814	28344	-1,1	0,0445	
1442198_at	---	---	5	6	-1,1	0,0303	
1416642_a_at	Tpt1	tumor protein, translationally-controlled 1	31232	35179	-1,1	0,0393	
1423772_x_at	Slc25a5	solute carrier family 25 (mitochondrial carrier, adenine nucleotide translocator), member 5	17483	19690	-1,1	0,0439	
1422994_at	Pip5k3	phosphatidylinositol-3-phosphate/phosphatidylinositol 5-kinase, type III	10	9	1,1	0,0493	
1435811_a_at	Unc50	unc-50 homolog (<i>C. elegans</i>)	2761	2471	1,1	0,0274	
1425298_a_at	Birc1a	baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 1a	10	9	1,1	0,0366	
1418203_at	Pmaip1	phorbol-12-myristate-13-acetate-induced protein 1	12	10	1,2	0,0418	
1426386_at	Rpl7l1	ribosomal protein L7-like 1	963	837	1,2	0,0492	
1424670_s_at	Zfyve21	zinc finger, FYVE domain containing 21	897	778	1,2	0,0307	
1416524_at	Spop	speckle-type POZ protein	3813	3296	1,2	0,0257	
1436921_at	Atp7a	ATPase, Cu++ transporting, alpha polypeptide	3480	2977	1,2	0,0227	
1428345_at	4430402I18Rik	RIKEN cDNA 4430402I18 gene	74	63	1,2	0,0375	
1460621_x_at	Ywhaq	tyrosine 3-monooxygenase/tryptophan 5-monooxygenase activation protein, theta polypeptide	22991	19587	1,2	0,0220	
1428624_at	2810482I07Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2810482I07 gene	5132	4369	1,2	0,0283	

1460359_at	Armcx3	armadillo repeat containing, X-linked 3	1133	958	1,2	0,0493
1456205_x_at	Tbca	tubulin cofactor a	14281	12036	1,2	0,0420
1449351_s_at	Pdgfc	platelet-derived growth factor, C polypeptide	29	25	1,2	0,0145
1455174_at	Rps19bp1	ribosomal protein S19 binding protein 1	625	525	1,2	0,0382 x
1444602_at	---	transcribed locus	13	11	1,2	0,0324
1426378_at	Eif4b	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 4B	2113	1757	1,2	0,0404
1455816_a_at	Kctd3	potassium channel tetramerisation domain containing 3	7392	6134	1,2	0,0422
1434056_a_at	Ndufb6	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 6	22759	18872	1,2	0,0171
1448771_a_at	Fth1	ferritin heavy chain 1	42224	34871	1,2	0,0201
1454829_at	Rundc1	RUN domain containing 1	155	126	1,2	0,0225
1423333_at	L200007D18Rik	RIKEN cDNA L200007D18 gene	741	605	1,2	0,0241
1424639_a_at	Hmgcl	3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl-Coenzyme A lyase	470	383	1,2	0,0468
1448867_at	Tmem9b	TMEM9 domain family, member B	1866	1518	1,2	0,0251 x
1438760_x_at	Adam15	a disintegrin and metallopeptidase domain 15 (metargidin)	750	610	1,2	0,0142
1451044_at	Sip1	survivor of motor neuron protein interacting protein 1	708	574	1,2	0,0288 x
1424366_at	Tmem15	transmembrane protein 15	1334	1081	1,2	0,0280
1428369_s_at	Arhgap21	Rho GTPase activating protein 21	3776	3059	1,2	0,0408
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1455795_at	Sart2	squamous cell carcinoma antigen recognized by T cells 2	25	20	1,2	0,0245
1439401_x_at	Ppp2r5e	protein phosphatase 2, regulatory subunit B (B56), epsilon isoform	733	587	1,2	0,0149
1450407_a_at	Anp32a	acidic (leucine-rich) nuclear phosphoprotein 32 family, member A	910	724	1,3	0,0246
1439622_at	Rassf4	Ras association (RalGDS/AF-6) domain family 4	9	7	1,3	0,0162
1436848_x_at	Impa1	inositol (myo)-(or 4)-monophosphatase 1	6535	5185	1,3	0,0241
1416465_a_at	Vapa	vesicle-associated membrane protein, associated protein A	11456	9080	1,3	0,0203
1420809_a_at	L500003003Rik	RIKEN cDNA L500003003 gene	10421	8248	1,3	0,0061
1442097_at	---	---	13	10	1,3	0,0243
1439561_at	2010012005Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2010012005 gene	26	20	1,3	0,0218
1422996_at	Acot2	acyl-CoA thioesterase 2	21	16	1,3	0,0413
1420641_a_at	Sqrdl	sulfide quinone reductase-like (yeast)	1433	1122	1,3	0,0267
1454678_s_at	A130022J15Rik	RIKEN cDNA A130022J15 gene	2765	2164	1,3	0,0404
1427760_s_at	Pif	proliferin	9	7	1,3	0,0075 x
1453021_at	Stxbp5	syntaxin binding protein 5 (tomosyn)	179	140	1,3	0,0397 x
1439268_x_at	Eif3s6	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 3, subunit 6	20085	15699	1,3	0,0179
1451318_a_at	Lyn	Yamaguchi sarcoma viral (v-yes-1) oncogene homolog	1237	965	1,3	0,0306
1449338_at	D10Erttd641e	DNA segment, Chr_10, ERATO Doi 641, expressed	2891	2238	1,3	0,0238
1421275_s_at	Socs4	suppressor of cytokine signaling 4	70	54	1,3	0,0283
1418164_at	Epim	epimorphin	430	332	1,3	0,0040
1456013_x_at	Slc35a4	solute carrier family 35, member A4	1444	1114	1,3	0,0174
1439368_a_at	Slc9a3r2	solute carrier family 9 (sodium/hydrogen exchanger), isoform 3 regulator 2	9050	6977	1,3	0,0400
1448334_a_at	Ccni	cyclin I	7542	5813	1,3	0,0328

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1448517_at	Timm22	translocase of inner mitochondrial membrane 22 homolog (yeast)	815	627	1,3	0,0124
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1416808_at	Nid1	nidogen 1	13524	10296	1,3	0,0423
1438928_x_at	Ninj1	ninjurin 1	920	698	1,3	0,0404
1437014_x_at	LOC545161	NA	11223	8516	1,3	0,0231
1416179_a_at	Rdx	radixin	14090	10690	1,3	0,0482
1456604_a_at	Pcmt1	protein-L-isoaspartate (D-aspartate) O-methyltransferase 1	4138	3138	1,3	0,0095
1424574_at	Tmed5	transmembrane emp24 protein transport domain containing 5	7315	5541	1,3	0,0024
1417162_at	Tmbim1	transmembrane BAX inhibitor motif containing 1	3931	2976	1,3	0,0060
1416911_a_at	6330407G11Rik	RIKEN cDNA 6330407G11 gene	4252	3214	1,3	0,0241
1454748_at	Naprt1	nicotinate phosphoribosyltransferase domain containing 1	92	70	1,3	0,0065
1418029_at	Faim	Fas apoptotic inhibitory molecule	3062	2308	1,3	0,0357
1426436_at	8430420C20Rik	RIKEN cDNA 8430420C20 gene	234	176	1,3	0,0460
1437385_at	Ccbe1	collagen and calcium binding EGF domains 1	1081	810	1,3	0,0167
1434267_at	Nek1	NIMA (never in mitosis gene a)-related expressed kinase 1	141	105	1,3	0,0305
1434692_at	1110034B05Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110034B05 gene	611	455	1,3	0,0340
1456872_a_at	D230010M03Rik	RIKEN cDNA D230010M03 gene	59	44	1,3	0,0195
1452342_at	Apbb2	amyloid beta (A4) precursor protein-binding, family B, member 2	2278	1689	1,3	0,0451
1434853_x_at	Mkrm1	makorin, ring finger protein, 1	2165	1604	1,3	0,0364
1423402_at	Creb1	cAMP responsive element binding protein 1	363	268	1,4	0,0453
1422539_at	Extl2	extotoses (multiple)-like 2	569	419	1,4	0,0318
1452929_at	Rsn	restin (Reed-Steinberg cell-expressed intermediate filament-associated protein)	1310	963	1,4	0,0395
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1436834_x_at	Mdh1	malate dehydrogenase 1, NAD (soluble)	11835	8689	1,4	0,0049
1424309_a_at	Mocs2	molybdenum cofactor synthesis 2	2653	1945	1,4	0,0138
1456739_x_at	Armcx2	armadillo repeat containing, X-linked 2	10713	7844	1,4	0,0078
1447277_s_at	Pcyox1	prenylcysteine oxidase 1	5792	4217	1,4	0,0271
1448707_at	Taf13	TAF13 RNA polymerase II, TATA box binding protein (TBP)-associated factor	1948	1416	1,4	0,0336
1420827_a_at	Ccng1	cyclin G1	19660	14288	1,4	0,0457
1441931_x_at	BB125219	expressed sequence BB125219	204	148	1,4	0,0456
1460346_at	Arsa	arylsulfatase A	1732	1256	1,4	0,0089
1441866_s_at	Ptdss1	phosphatidylserine synthase 1	2775	2011	1,4	0,0474
1434839_s_at	Tbl1xrr1	transducin (beta)-like IX-linked receptor 1	701	507	1,4	0,0386
1420967_at	Slc25a15	solute carrier family 25 (mitochondrial carrier ornithine transporter), member 15	2151	1553	1,4	0,0145
1427925_at	Stx17	syntaxin 17	709	512	1,4	0,0381
1435740_at	Rai17	retinoic acid induced 17	1252	902	1,4	0,0196
1437358_at	Wdfy1	WD repeat and FYVE domain containing 1	1220	878	1,4	0,0204

1449023_a_at	Ezh1	enhancer of zeste homolog 1 (Drosophila)	489	352	1,4	0,0309
1448724_at	Cish	cytokine inducible SH2-containing protein	72	52	1,4	0,0451
1451751_at	Ddit4l	DNA-damage-inducible transcript 4-like	244	174	1,4	0,0304
1456728_x_at	Aco1	aconitase 1	4639	3304	1,4	0,0148
1418854_at	Birc2	baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 2	640	456	1,4	0,0293
1428394_at	Phyhd1	phytanoyl-CoA dioxygenase domain containing 1	21	15	1,4	0,0413
1416458_at	Arf2	ADP-ribosylation factor 2	451	321	1,4	0,0277
1459782_x_at	Abcc5	ATP-binding cassette, sub-family C (CFTR/MRP), member 5	57	41	1,4	0,0297
1455152_at	AI462493	expressed sequence AI462493	789	560	1,4	0,0475
1416881_at	Mcl1	myeloid cell leukemia sequence 1	3680	2609	1,4	0,0170
1426345_at	Prepl	prolyl endopeptidase-like	325	230	1,4	0,0278
1447522_s_at	Tnks2	tankyrase, TRF1-interacting ankyrin-related ADP-ribose polymerase 2	2652	1876	1,4	0,0061
1424782_at	Tmem77	transmembrane protein 77	670	474	1,4	0,0115
1434986_a_at	Sec61a1	Sec61 alpha 1 subunit (S. cerevisiae)	3140	2218	1,4	0,0035
1441906_x_at	Syap1	synapse associated protein 1	409	288	1,4	0,0361
1424058_at	RIKEN cDNA 1190002C06Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1190002C06 gene	447	314	1,4	0,0259
1448673_at	Pvrl3	poliovirus receptor-related 3	1489	1048	1,4	0,0156
1427912_at	Cbr3	carbonyl reductase 3	1642	1153	1,4	0,0095
1437763_at	Dcun1d3	DCN1, defective in cullin neddylation 1, domain containing 3 (S. cerevisiae)	224	157	1,4	0,0441
1435616_at	Cyp20a1	cytochrome P450, family 20, subfamily A, polypeptide 1	6942	4873	1,4	0,0382
1434534_at	Dsc3	desmocollin 3	15	10	1,4	0,0245
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1450744_at	Eil2	elongation factor RNA polymerase II 2	3878	2717	1,4	0,0037
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1449014_at	Lactb	lactamase, beta	462	323	1,4	0,0381
1455787_x_at	Minpp1	multiple inositol polyphosphate histidine phosphatase 1	2137	1492	1,4	0,0395
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1421209_s_at	Ikbkg	inhibitor of kappaB kinase gamma	500	347	1,4	0,0068
1420381_a_at	Rpl31	ribosomal protein L31	1504	1045	1,4	0,0451
1448720_at	Lrrc40	leucine rich repeat containing 40	2444	1692	1,4	0,0406
1426922_s_at	Hrb	HIV-1 Rev binding protein	1462	1012	1,4	0,0494
1435753_a_at	Nucks1	nuclear casein kinase and cyclin-dependent kinase substrate 1	2920	2019	1,4	0,0048
1438024_at	6230416A05Rik	RIKEN cDNA 6230416A05 gene	1025	705	1,5	0,0439
1450724_at	Drctnnb1a	down-regulated by Ctnnb1, a	6684	4581	1,5	0,0171
1437009_a_at	Zfp364	zinc finger protein 364	4185	2845	1,5	0,0245
1421644_at	Sifn3	schlafen 3	168	114	1,5	0,0269
1452011_a_at	Uxs1	UDP-glucuronate decarboxylase 1	5857	3972	1,5	0,0230

1443870_at	Abcc4	ATP-binding cassette, sub-family C (CFTR/MRP), member 4	2659	1800	1,5	0,0344
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1452193_a_at	Wasl	Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome-like (human)	3064	2065	1,5	0,0310
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1437991_x_at	Rusc1	RUN and SH3 domain containing 1	337	227	1,5	0,0454
1434302_at	Raph1	Ras association (RalGDS/AF-6) and pleckstrin homology domains 1	6333	4262	1,5	0,0099
1416989_at	Vps53	vacuolar protein sorting 53 (Yeast)	2127	1428	1,5	0,0100
1431582_at	Itgb4bp	integrin beta 4 binding protein	249	167	1,5	0,0090
1428132_at	Cdc42se1	CDC42 small effector 1	655	438	1,5	0,0297
1455053_a_at	Dcun1d1	DCUN1D1 DCN1, defective in cullin neddylation 1, domain containing 1 (S. cerevisiae)	402	269	1,5	0,0201
1433781_a_at	Cldn12	claudin 12	2191	1464	1,5	0,0295
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1417764_at	Ssr1	signal sequence receptor, alpha	956	636	1,5	0,0236
1435727_s_at	D15Erd366e	DNA segment, Chr 15, ERATO Doi 366, expressed	1110	738	1,5	0,0297
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1428202_at	1810037C20Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1810037C20 gene	358	237	1,5	0,0257
1424084_at	Rod1	ROD1 regulator of differentiation 1 (S. pombe)	94	62	1,5	0,0238
1428586_at	Tmem41b	transmembrane protein 41B	1668	1104	1,5	0,0101
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1424852_at	Mef2c	myocyte enhancer factor 2C	849	559	1,5	0,0040
1419641_at	Purb	purine rich element binding protein B	1294	852	1,5	0,0043
1420116_s_at	Golph3	golgi phosphoprotein 3	1327	872	1,5	0,0231
1446737_a_at	Hook3	hook homolog 3 (Drosophila)	570	374	1,5	0,0158
1428644_at	Mgat5	mannoside acetylglucosaminyltransferase 5	1019	664	1,5	0,0115
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1425476_at	Col4a5	procollagen, type IV, alpha 5	230	148	1,6	0,0224
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1455959_s_at	Gclc	glutamate-cysteine ligase, catalytic subunit	1526	982	1,6	0,0305
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1449263_at	Ufm1	ubiquitin-fold modifier 1	851	545	1,6	0,0342
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1447308_at	Lass5	longevity assurance homolog 5 (S. cerevisiae)		401	246	1,6	0,0095	
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1417045_at	Bid	BH3 interacting domain death agonist		390	239	1,6	0,0134	
1457265_at	B230333C21Rik	RIKEN cDNA B230333C21 gene		183	112	1,6	0,0170	
1425193_at	2010106G01Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2010106G01 gene		693	424	1,6	0,0134	
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1418762_at	Daf1	decay accelerating factor 1		1159	704	1,6	0,0165	
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1448793_a_at	Sdc4	syndecan 4		1570	952	1,6	0,0446	
1449107_at	Nudt4	nudix (nucleoside diphosphate linked moiety X)-type motif 4		1603	969	1,7	0,0212	
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1419132_at	Tlr2	toll-like receptor 2		494	298	1,7	0,0192	
1436915_x_at	Laptm4b	lysosomal-associated protein transmembrane 4B		9056	5459	1,7	0,0030	
1428548_at	Pak4	p21 (CDKN1A)-activated kinase 4		430	259	1,7	0,0392	
1434408_at	Mjd	Machado-Joseph disease (spinocerebellar ataxia 3, olivopontocerebellar ataxia 3, autosomal dominant, ataxin 3) homolog (human)		635	382	1,7	0,0254	
1457658_x_at	Anxa4	annexin A4		429	258	1,7	0,0345	
1442608_at	Layn	layilin		503	300	1,7	0,0208	
1426875_s_at	Srxn1	sulfiredoxin 1 homolog (S. cerevisiae)		1501	890	1,7	0,0089	
1416262_at	Timem19	transmembrane protein 19		170	101	1,7	0,0125	
1437447_s_at	Ercc1	excision repair cross-complementing rodent repair deficiency, complementation group 1		4489	2657	1,7	0,0011	
1415795_at	Spin	spindlin		55	33	1,7	0,0375	
1437635_at	St3gal6	ST3 beta-galactoside alpha-2,3-sialyltransferase 6		1267	748	1,7	0,0020	
1433544_at	Als2cr2	amyotrophic lateral sclerosis 2 (juvenile) chromosome region, candidate		302	178	1,7	0,0200	

1429590_at	Tacc1	transforming, acidic coiled-coil containing protein 1	625	338	1,8	0,0156
1453622_s_at	Mlit3	myeloid/lymphoid or mixed lineage-leukemia translocation to 3 homolog (Drosophila)	174	94	1,9	0,0291
1452016_at	Alox5ap	arachidonate 5-lipoxygenase activating protein	647	348	1,9	0,0063
1449334_at	Timp3	tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase 3	1844	990	1,9	0,0313 x
1426356_at	6330578E17Rik	RIKEN cDNA 6330578E17 gene	363	194	1,9	0,0095 x
1454617_at	Arrdc3	arrestin domain containing 3	250	134	1,9	0,0134
1422518_at	Cask	calcium/calmodulin-dependent serine protein kinase (MAGUK family)	170	91	1,9	0,0457
1429310_at	Firt3	fibronectin leucine rich transmembrane protein 3	148	79	1,9	0,0421
1421840_at	Abca1	ATP-binding cassette, sub-family A (ABC1), member 1	1298	691	1,9	0,0374
1430030_at	5330426P16Rik	RIKEN cDNA 5330426P16 gene	269	143	1,9	0,0379
1419301_at	Fzd4	frizzled homolog 4 (Drosophila)	6265	3332	1,9	0,0040
1415824_at	Scd1	stearoyl-Coenzyme A desaturase 1	136	72	1,9	0,0481 x
1449125_at	Tnfrsf811	tumor necrosis factor, alpha-induced protein 8-like 1	1333	704	1,9	0,0063
1426573_at	Me2	malic enzyme 2, NAD(+)-dependent, mitochondrial	290	153	1,9	0,0060
1437342_x_at	Pttg1ip	pituitary tumor-transforming 1 interacting protein	11619	6128	1,9	0,0063
1425029_a_at	Oact2	O-acyltransferase (membrane bound) domain containing 2	522	275	1,9	0,0325
1449118_at	Dbt	dihydroipoamide branched chain transacylase E2	1441	755	1,9	0,0203
1458996_at	Iga5	integrin alpha 5 (fibronectin receptor alpha)	210	110	1,9	0,0076
1452209_at	Pkp4	plakophilin 4	2351	1230	1,9	0,0276 x
1420888_at	Bcl2l1	Bcl2-like 1	5449	2834	1,9	0,0182
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1435517_x_at	Ralb	v-ral simian leukemia viral oncogene homolog B (ras related)	1273	657	1,9	0,0111
1442350_at	---	0 day neonate skin cDNA, RIKEN full-length enriched library, clone:4632424N07 product:unclassifiable, full insert sequence	600	310	1,9	0,0290
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1436678_at	Sgcb	sarcoglycan, beta (dystrophin-associated glycoprotein)	321	165	1,9	0,0305
1449984_at	Cxcl2	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 2	2619	1344	1,9	0,0310
1448812_at	Hpcal1	hippocalcin-like 1	2958	1517	1,9	0,0191 x
1448610_a_at	Sod2	superoxide dismutase 2, mitochondrial	11757	6005	2,0	0,0121
1431302_a_at	Nudt7	nudix (nucleoside diphosphate linked moiety X)-type motif 7	648	330	2,0	0,0102
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1416825_at	Snta1	syntrophin, acidic 1	72	36	2,0	0,0098
1435396_at	Stxbp6	syntaxin binding protein 6 (amisyn)	26	13	2,0	0,0127
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1424711_at	Tmem2	transmembrane protein 2	356	176	2,0	0,0013
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1427347_s_at	Tubb2a	tubulin, beta 2a	11058	5456	2,0	0,0302
1438610_a_at	Cryz	crystallin, zeta	3203	1578	2,0	0,0276
1455735_at	Ap1s3	adaptor-related protein complex AP-1, sigma 3	364	179	2,0	0,0061
1426260_a_at	Ugt1a6a	UDP glucuronosyltransferase 1 family, polypeptide A6A	6628	3260	2,0	0,0110
1428196_a_at	1200015F23Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1200015F23 gene	2541	1245	2,0	0,0253
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1422601_at	Serpnb9	serine (or cysteine) peptidase inhibitor, clade B, member 9	859	419	2,0	0,0021
1448489_at	Pafah2	platelet-activating factor acetylhydrolase 2	1105	539	2,1	0,0475
1424800_at	Enah	enabled homolog (Drosophila)	116	56	2,1	0,0384
1433453_a_at	Abtb2	ankyrin repeat and BTB (POZ) domain containing 2	835	406	2,1	0,0413
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1434350_at	Axud1	AXIN1 up-regulated 1	542	262	2,1	0,0348
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1429527_a_at	Plscr1	phospholipid scramblase 1	2465	1188	2,1	0,0341
1435771_at	Plcb4	phospholipase C, beta 4	1427	686	2,1	0,0076
1455096_at	Flrt2	fibronectin leucine rich transmembrane protein 2	2423	1165	2,1	0,0142
1439558_at	Zfp75	zinc finger protein 75	506	243	2,1	0,0236
1428636_at	Steap2	six transmembrane epithelial antigen of prostate 2	5127	2457	2,1	0,0215
1438156_x_at	Cpt1a	carnitine palmitoyltransferase 1a, liver	2443	1171	2,1	0,0239
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1449983_a_at	Ngo2	NAD(P)H dehydrogenase, quinone 2	716	340	2,1	0,0038
1447903_x_at	Ap1s2	adaptor-related protein complex 1, sigma 2 subunit	8243	3911	2,1	0,0132
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1428914_at	2310014D11Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2310014D11 gene	1224	575	2,1	0,0119
1426593_a_at	Fbxo22	F-box only protein 22	7603	3569	2,1	0,0115
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1451989_a_at	Mapre2	microtubule-associated protein, RP/EB family, member 2	5666	2628	2,2	0,0218
1424029_at	Tspyl4	TSPY-like 4	182	84	2,2	0,0445
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1429177_x_at	Sox17	SRY-box containing gene 17	2462	1113	2,2	0,0345	
1436155_at	Nmnat2	nicotinamide nucleotide adenyltransferase 2	134	61	2,2	0,0195	
1422524_at	Abcb6	ATP-binding cassette, sub-family B (MDR/TAP), member 6	233	105	2,2	0,0171	
1434329_s_at	Adipor2	adiponectin receptor 2	1404	627	2,2	0,0189	
1424783_a_at	Ugt1a9	UDP glucuronosyltransferase 1 family, polypeptide A9	5224	2312	2,3	0,0019	
1454858_x_at	Mettl7a	methyltransferase like 7A	214	95	2,3	0,0142	
1434379_at	Mxd4	Max dimerization protein 4	14	6	2,3	0,0470	
1452847_at	2410008K03Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2410008K03 gene	352	156	2,3	0,0037	
1425814_a_at	Calcr1	calcitonin receptor-like	12194	5357	2,3	0,0030	
1418302_at	Ppt2	palmitoyl-protein thioesterase 2	973	427	2,3	0,0453	x
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1436538_at	Lrp2bp	Lrp2 binding protein	78	34	2,3	0,0308	x
1424383_at	Timem51	transmembrane protein 51	1739	758	2,3	0,0048	
1439433_a_at	Slc35a2	solute carrier family 35 (UDP-galactose transporter), member 2	6450	2807	2,3	0,0381	
1460360_at	Asrg1l	asparaginase like 1	162	70	2,3	0,0254	
1457270_at	B230343A10Rik	RIKEN cDNA B230343A10 gene	349	151	2,3	0,0092	
1456341_a_at	Klf9	Kruppel-like factor 9	8265	3575	2,3	0,0153	
1438931_s_at	Sesn1	sestrin 1	410	177	2,3	0,0276	
1433820_a_at	1110012D08Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110012D08 gene	570	246	2,3	0,0281	
1418649_at	Egln3	EGL nine homolog 3 (C. elegans)	3006	1281	2,3	0,0063	
1419599_s_at	Ms4a6d	membrane-spanning 4-domains, subfamily A, member 6D	8160	3469	2,4	0,0110	
1440999_at	Zfp697	zinc finger protein 697	1251	531	2,4	0,0015	
1451364_at	Polr3gl	polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide G like	743	315	2,4	0,0236	
1424613_at	Gprc5b	G protein-coupled receptor, family C, group 5, member B	386	163	2,4	0,0295	
1453238_s_at	E430024C06Rik	RIKEN cDNA E430024C06 gene	482	202	2,4	0,0498	x
1443829_x_at	Coasy	Coenzyme A synthase	789	331	2,4	0,0201	
1459860_x_at	Trim2	tripartite motif protein 2	3738	1569	2,4	0,0312	
1433710_at	Lsm16	LSM16 homolog (EDC3, S. cerevisiae)	1328	553	2,4	0,0124	
1425214_at	P2ry6	pyrimidineric receptor P2Y, G-protein coupled, 6	169	70	2,4	0,0259	
1417288_at	Plekha2	pleckstrin homology domain-containing, family A (phosphoinositide binding specific) member 2	1423	592	2,4	0,0051	
1437277_x_at	Tgm2	transglutaminase 2, C polypeptide	11758	4858	2,4	0,0144	
1435065_x_at	Vav2	Vav2 oncogene	25	10	2,4	0,0258	x
1449888_at	Epas1	endothelial PAS domain protein 1	474	192	2,5	0,0262	
1417220_at	Fah	fumarylacetoacetate hydrolase	39	16	2,5	0,0248	
1420715_a_at	Pparγ	peroxisome proliferator activated receptor gamma	387	154	2,5	0,0084	
1435694_at	Arhgap26	Rho GTPase activating protein 26	80	32	2,5	0,0058	
1425503_at	Gcnt2	glucosaminyl (N-acetyl) transferase 2, I-branching enzyme	837	332	2,5	0,0184	
1438756_at	Ankrd29	ankyrin repeat domain 29	61	24	2,5	0,0297	

1437463_x_at	Tgfb1	transforming growth factor, beta induced	43	17	2,5	0,0201	
1455446_x_at	Acadsb	acyl-Coenzyme A dehydrogenase, short/branched chain	1317	522	2,5	0,0048	x
1428289_at	2310051E17Rik	RIKEN cDNA 2310051E17 gene	3298	1300	2,5	0,0387	
1456500_at	Aph1b	anterior pharynx defective 1b homolog (<i>C. elegans</i>)	193	75	2,6	0,0098	
1447448_s_at	---	---	1943	751	2,6	0,0194	
1419440_at	Trim54	tripartite motif-containing 54	281	108	2,6	0,0108	
1442019_at	---	16 days neonate cerebellum cDNA, RIKEN full-length enriched library, clone:9630033M11 product:unclassifiable, full insert sequence	2229	850	2,6	0,0135	
1418739_at	Sgk2	serum/glucocorticoid regulated kinase 2	103	39	2,6	0,0477	
1448613_at	Ecm1	extracellular matrix protein 1	2456	926	2,7	0,0030	
1417862_at	A830059I20Rik	RIKEN cDNA A830059I20 gene	1178	436	2,7	0,0061	x
1416778_at	Sdpr	serum deprivation response	18149	6680	2,7	0,0095	
1418673_at	Snai2	snail homolog 2 (<i>Drosophila</i>)	341	125	2,7	0,0063	
1426306_a_at	Maged2	melanoma antigen, family D, 2	1812	663	2,7	0,0162	
1460230_at	Syn2	synapsin II	37	13	2,8	0,0325	
1428535_at	9430020K01Rik	RIKEN cDNA 9430020K01 gene	4564	1650	2,8	0,0201	
1428650_at	Tns1	tensin 1	1518	546	2,8	0,0070	
1456603_at	150005K14Rik	RIKEN cDNA 150005K14 gene	4099	1473	2,8	0,0065	
1422478_a_at	Acss2	acyl-CoA synthetase short-chain family member 2	34	12	2,8	0,0061	
1418545_at	Waf1	WASP family 1	92	33	2,8	0,0197	
1417591_at	Ptges2	prostaglandin H synthase 2	289	101	2,9	0,0121	
1438385_s_at	Gpt2	glutamic pyruvate transaminase (alanine aminotransferase) 2	101	35	2,9	0,0170	x
1428579_at	Fmn12	formin-like 2	947	323	2,9	0,0273	
1456979_at	Plcg1	Phospholipase C, gamma 1 (Plcg1), mRNA	115	39	3,0	0,0329	
1448182_a_at	Cd24a	CD24a antigen	11210	3799	3,0	0,0130	
1417426_at	Prg1	proteoglycan 1, secretory granule	4478	1508	3,0	0,0104	
1456003_a_at	Slc1a4	solute carrier family 1 (glutamate/neutral amino acid transporter), member 4	477	161	3,0	0,0236	x
1451532_s_at	Steap1	six transmembrane epithelial antigen of the prostate 1	3810	1268	3,0	0,0039	
1437928_at	Pcdh12	protocadherin 12	943	314	3,0	0,0099	
1421818_at	Bcl6	B-cell leukemia/lymphoma 6	300	100	3,0	0,0124	x
1435060_at	Tmod2	tropomodulin 2	43	14	3,0	0,0099	
1435486_at	Pak3	p21 (CDKN1A)-activated kinase 3	106	35	3,0	0,0136	
1436791_at	Wnt5a	wingless-related MMTV integration site 5A	301	100	3,0	0,0280	
1459718_x_at	---	---	903	298	3,0	0,0071	x
1441228_at	Apold1	apolipoprotein L domain containing 1	1491	491	3,0	0,0015	
1450716_at	Adamts1	a disintegrin-like and metalloproteinase (reprolysin type) with thrombospondin type 1 motif, 1	7645	2497	3,1	0,0076	
1429399_at	Rnf125	ring finger protein 125	575	187	3,1	0,0096	x
1450448_at	Stc1	stanniocalcin 1	331	107	3,1	0,0217	
1436991_x_at	Gsn	gelsolin	3652	1180	3,1	0,0066	x
1455257_at	Itgb3	integrin beta 3	4199	1334	3,1	0,0037	x
1443777_at	---	---	197	62	3,2	0,0277	

1450769_s_at	Stard5	STAR-related lipid transfer (START) domain containing 5	196	61	3,2	0,0278
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1428413_at	5730405109Rik	RIKEN cDNA 5730405109 gene	1946	591	3,3	0,0091
1421041_s_at	Gsta2	glutathione S-transferase, alpha 2 (Yc2)	226	67	3,3	0,0218
1433481_at	Fkbp14	FK506 binding protein 14	1048	313	3,4	0,0065
1455251_at	Itga1	integrin alpha 1	41	12	3,4	0,0218
1422787_at	Fkbp1	FK506 binding protein-like	247	72	3,4	0,0110
1437604_x_at	Napg	N-ethylmaleimide sensitive fusion protein attachment protein gamma	69	20	3,4	0,0160
1419468_at	Clec14a	C-type lectin domain family 14, member a	3867	1097	3,5	0,0042
1447928_at	Car5b	carboxic anhydrase 5b, mitochondrial	91	25	3,6	0,0162
1455377_at	4921517B04Rik	RIKEN cDNA 4921517B04 gene	846	233	3,6	0,0025
1435137_s_at	1200016E24Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1200016E24 gene	1082	295	3,7	0,0241
1456404_at	Adamts5	a disintegrin-like and metalloproteinase (reprolysin type) with thrombospondin type 1 motif, 5 (aggrecanase-2)	428	114	3,7	0,0048
1417133_at	Pmp22	peripheral myelin protein	4487	1166	3,8	0,0156
1451313_a_at	1110067D22Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110067D22 gene	2335	595	3,9	0,0098
1436870_s_at	AU041783	expressed sequence AU041783	69	17	4,0	0,0451
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1418674_at	Osmr	oncostatin M receptor	966	235	4,1	0,0040
1437360_at	Pcdh19	protocadherin 19	177	43	4,1	0,0065
1456862_at	Six4	sine oculis-related homeobox 4 homolog (Drosophila)	664	159	4,2	0,0143
1437722_x_at	Pcbp3	poly(rC) binding protein 3	2641	629	4,2	0,0204
1426431_at	Jag2	jagged 2	212	50	4,2	0,0298
1449440_at	Lpin3	lipin 3	60	14	4,3	0,0312
1434369_a_at	Cryab	crystallin, alpha B	2137	493	4,3	0,0201
1420150_at	Spsb1	splA/ryanodine receptor domain and SOCS box containing 1	569	130	4,4	0,0040
1427919_at	SrpX2	sushi-repeat-containing protein, X-linked 2	203	46	4,4	0,0298
1417507_at	Cyb561	cytochrome b-561	1167	255	4,6	0,0064
1428306_at	Ddlt4	DNA-damage-inducible transcript 4	1313	286	4,6	0,0064
1451355_at	Asah3l	N-acylsphingosine amidohydrolase 3-like	482	104	4,6	0,0099
1435749_at	Gda	guanine deaminase	748	160	4,7	0,0160
1422943_a_at	Hspb1	heat shock protein 1	285	60	4,7	0,0066
1456226_x_at	Ddr1	discoidin domain receptor family, member 1	482	102	4,7	0,0379
1453586_at	Entpd1	ectonucleoside triphosphate diphosphohydrolase 1	275	58	4,8	0,0058
1426127_x_at	Klra18	killer cell lectin-like receptor, subfamily A, member 18	6551	1363	4,8	0,0056
1449851_at	Per1	period homolog 1 (Drosophila)	100	21	4,8	0,0047
1423467_at	Ms4a4b	membrane-spanning 4-domains, subfamily A, member 4B	36	7	4,9	0,0221
1424271_at	Dcamk1l	double cortin and calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase-like 1	72	15	4,9	0,0222
1433919_at	Asb4	ankyrin repeat and SOCS box-containing protein 4	99	20	4,9	0,0135
1459890_s_at	1110008P14Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1110008P14 gene	786	158	5,0	0,0260
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1442659_at	Pcdh9	protocadherin 9	675	130	5,2	0,0008	x
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1456873_at	Clic5	chloride intracellular channel 5	877	166	5,3	0,0236	
1420804_s_at	Clec4d	C-type lectin domain family 4, member d	37	7	5,3	0,0064	
1449027_at	Rhou	ras homolog gene family, member U	1067	201	5,3	0,0021	
1437785_at	Adamts9	a disintegrin-like and metalloproteinase (reprolysin type) with thrombospondin type 1 motif, 9	358	67	5,3	0,0098	
1441799_at	6030422H21Rik	RIKEN cDNA 6030422H21 gene	67	12	5,3	0,0037	x
1424701_at	Pcdh20	protocadherin 20	242	45	5,3	0,0023	
1422177_at	Il13ra2	interleukin 13 receptor, alpha 2	66	12	5,4	0,0001	
1430062_at	1600002O04Rik	RIKEN cDNA 1600002O04 gene	140	26	5,4	0,0231	x
1435040_at	Irak3	interleukin-1 receptor-associated kinase 3	44	8	5,4	0,0014	
1416318_at	Serpinc1a	serine (or cysteine) peptidase inhibitor, clade B, member 1a	57	10	5,5	0,0086	x
1451804_a_at	Lrrc16	leucine rich repeat containing 16	136	25	5,5	0,0064	
1452977_at	Zhx3	zinc fingers and homeoboxes 3	336	59	5,7	0,0007	
1420772_a_at	Tsc22d3	TSC22 domain family 3	573	101	5,7	0,0118	
1419703_at	Col5a3	procollagen, type V, alpha 3	75	13	5,7	0,0080	
1443536_at	Slc7a11	solute carrier family 7 (cationic amino acid transporter, y+ system), member 11	1246	216	5,8	0,0028	x
1436598_at	Icos	inducible T-cell co-stimulator	58	10	5,9	0,0020	
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1436448_a_at	Ptgs1	prostaglandin-endoperoxide synthase 1	251	39	6,4	0,0014	
1416935_at	Trpv2	transient receptor potential cation channel, subfamily V, member 2	69	11	6,4	0,0054	x
1427256_at	Cspg2	chondroitin sulfate proteoglycan 2	41	6	6,5	0,0019	
1418901_at	Cebpb	CCAAT/enhancer binding protein (C/EBP), beta	1952	298	6,5	0,0015	x
1424408_at	Lims2	LIM and senescent cell antigen like domains 2	1057	154	6,9	0,0071	
1418601_at	Aldh1a7	aldehyde dehydrogenase family 1, subfamily A7	70	10	6,9	0,0002	
1428433_at	Hipk2	homeodomain interacting protein kinase 2	845	123	6,9	0,0063	
1437347_at	Ednrb	endothelin receptor type B	1116	162	6,9	0,0348	
1416125_at	Fkbp5	FK506 binding protein 5	3245	464	7,0	0,0035	x
1420753_at	Tll1	tollid-like	697	99	7,0	0,0283	
1449408_at	Jam2	junction adhesion molecule 2	700	99	7,0	0,0040	
1429379_at	Xlkd1	extra cellular link domain-containing 1	6307	883	7,1	0,0084	x
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1448470_at	Fbp1	fructose biphosphatase 1	447	60	7,5	0,0063	x
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1418382_at	Apddd1	adenomatosis polyposis coli down-regulated 1	958	117	8,2	0,0011	
1460601_at	Myrip	myosin VIIA and Rab interacting protein	69	8	8,2	0,0200	

1423062_at	Igfbp3	insulin-like growth factor binding protein 3	7341	844	8,7	0,0006	
1434013_at	Ablim3	actin binding LIM protein family, member 3	129	15	8,8	0,0130	x
1435790_at	Olfm2	olfactomedin 2	109	12	9,0	0,0064	
1460039_at	Clec1a	C-type lectin domain family 1, member a	369	40	9,2	0,0259	
1429018_at	3830408D24Rik	RIKEN cDNA 3830408D24 gene	150	16	9,6	0,0215	
1435092_at	Arl4a	ADP-ribosylation factor-like 4A	175	17	10,3	0,0072	
1439163_at	Zbtb16	zinc finger and BTB domain containing 16	64	6	10,4	0,0236	
1430352_at	8430417A20Rik	RIKEN cDNA 8430417A20 gene	155	14	11,3	0,0067	
1439878_at	Ivl	involucrin	134	10	13,1	0,0002	
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1455859_at	A330021E22Rik	RIKEN cDNA A330021E22 gene	358	14	25,8	0,0018	
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1427345_a_at	Sult1a1	sulfotransferase family 1A, phenol-preferring, member 1	250	7	37,7	0,0068	
1427747_a_at	Lcn2	lipocalin 2	18710	464	40,4	0,0037	
1450826_a_at	Saa3	serum amyloid A 3	512	12	42,2	0,0026	
1419491_at	Defb1	defensin beta 1	343	6	53,9	0,0026	x
1451263_a_at	Fabp4	fatty acid binding protein 4, adipocyte	8478	121	69,9	0,0007	x
1451596_a_at	Sphk1	sphingosine kinase 1	926	7	136,2	0,0006	
1422639_at	Calcb	calcitonin-related polypeptide, beta	1331	10	138,5	0,0006	
1422557_s_at	Mt1	metallothionein 1	1719	5	316,9	0,0002	x
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