

tumor

tumor Ag

Classification depends on origin

Deregulated normal antigen

genetic mutation of normal cellular gene TSA

Ex abnormal products of P53, RAS genes. expression of abnormal type as mucin (MUC-1) in breast carcinoma

Abnormally located and over-expressed normal cellular proteins (TAA)

MAGE (melanoma antigen) is normal silent antigen on testis but also in carcinoma of breast, lung and bladder

Tyrosinase protein normally expressed in small amount in melanocytes, over expressed in melanoma

Foreign antigens as viral origin

Oncogenic viruses

DNA viruses

human papilloma viruses (HPV) (E6 and E7 proteins — a risk factor for cervical cancer)

KSHV (Kaposi's sarcoma-associated herpesvirus (, the virus that can cause Kaposi's sarcoma)

Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) — EBNA-1 protein. predisposes to Burkitt's lymphoma

hepatitis B — predisposes to liver cancer

RNA viruses, retrovirus (HTLV-1) in T cell leukemia.

Not unique for each tumor but shared by many tumors caused by that virus

Re-expression of normal fetal antigen TSA

Alpha feto proteins in hepatic carcinoma

Carcino-embryonic antigen (CEA) in cancer of intestine (colon, pancreas and stomach).

i.e Oncofetal antigens

Cell Type-Specific Differentiation Antigens TAA

present in different tumors derived from the same cell origin

CD10 and CD20 in B cell derived tumors

Old classification

TAA, Tumor associated antigen

present on some tumor cells with higher levels than on normal cells, can escape from immune system because of self tolerance

TSA, tumor specific antigen

which are present only on tumor cells

immunotherapy

active therapy

Injection of polyclonal lymphocytes activator at site of tumor growth as BCG vaccine or anti-CD3 antibody

Vaccination

with adjuvants as cytokine (IFN gamma, IL-12, IL-2) or accessory molecule as B7.

killed tumor cells, tumor Ag or anti-idiotype Ab. DNA vaccine is given IM

Most of them are therapeutic except viral vaccine in tumor caused by virus, it is preventive as in HPV vaxx

passive therapy

Adoptive cell transfer.

Tumor infiltrating lymphocytes (TIL) from similar patients, or lymphokine activated killer(LAK) (T cells culture with IL-2 and tumor antigen) as in prostate cancer

Inject T cells carry receptor specific for cancer antigen called chimeric antigen receptor as in leukemia

Monoclonal antibodies

uses hybridoma technique from B cell grown in mice

anti-CD20 in B cell lymphoma (rituximab); activate ADCC or MAC formation; killing of tumor cell

Or conjugated Ab with drug (chemotherapy)

Antibody block growth receptors as in colon cancer

treatment with cytokines

Interferon- $\alpha$  in virally caused tumors, it is used in the treatment of hairy-cell leukemia, AIDS-related Kaposi's sarcoma,

Interleukin-2 is used in the treatment of malignant melanoma and renal cell carcinoma

Block CTLA-4 on tumor specific activated T cell to inhibit their death (melanoma)

Block PD1 tumor specific activated B cell to inhibit their death as in advanced cancers

