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Tumor Genomic Profiling Guides Patients with Metastatic Gastric Cancer to Targeted Treatment: The VIKTORY Umbrella Trial .......... 1388


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Epigenomics and Single-Cell Sequencing Define a Developmental Hierarchy in Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis .......... 1406
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The Mechanism of Anti–PD-L1 Antibody Efficacy against PD-L1–Negative Tumors Identifies NK Cells Expressing PD-L1 as a Cytolytic Effector .......... 1422
W. Dong, X. Wu, S. Ma, Y. Wang, A. P. Nalin, Z. Zhu, J. Zhang, D. M. Benson, K. He, M. A. Caligiuri, and J. Yu
Précis: The counterintuitive response of some PD-L1–tumors to anti–PD-L1 therapy may be a result of PD-L1 expression on natural killer (NK) cells, which can be triggered by contact between NK cells and myeloid leukemia cells.

A Mutation in Histone H2B Represents a New Class of Oncogenic Driver ............... 1438
Précis: Mutations in the bodies of core histone proteins recur in cancers; the most common one (H2B(E76K)) destabilizes nucleosomes, increases chromatin accessibility, alters gene expression, and increases proliferation of normal epithelial cells.
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Altered Nuclear Export Signal Recognition as a Driver of Oncogenesis .......... 1452
Précis: Recurrent and lineage-specific mutations in the nuclear-export receptor XPO1 alter the distribution of proteins in the nucleus and cytoplasm and promote oncogenesis in vitro and in vivo.

ON THE COVER Taylor and colleagues found that recurrent and lineage-specific mutations in exportin-1 (XP01)—the protein predominantly responsible for nuclear export of proteins 40 kDa and larger—change how proteins are distributed in the nucleus and cytoplasm. These mutations also increased tumor growth in mouse xenotransplantation experiments and promoted oncogenesis in a conditional knock-in mouse model. Altered protein export was also observed in a B-cell precursor leukemia cell line; some differentially exported proteins included participants in the K63-ubiquitination, TLR4, and NFκB pathways. Both in vitro and in vivo, the tested XP01 mutation caused increased sensitivity to treatment with selinexor, an XP01 inhibitor. For details, please see the article by Taylor and colleagues on page 1452.