



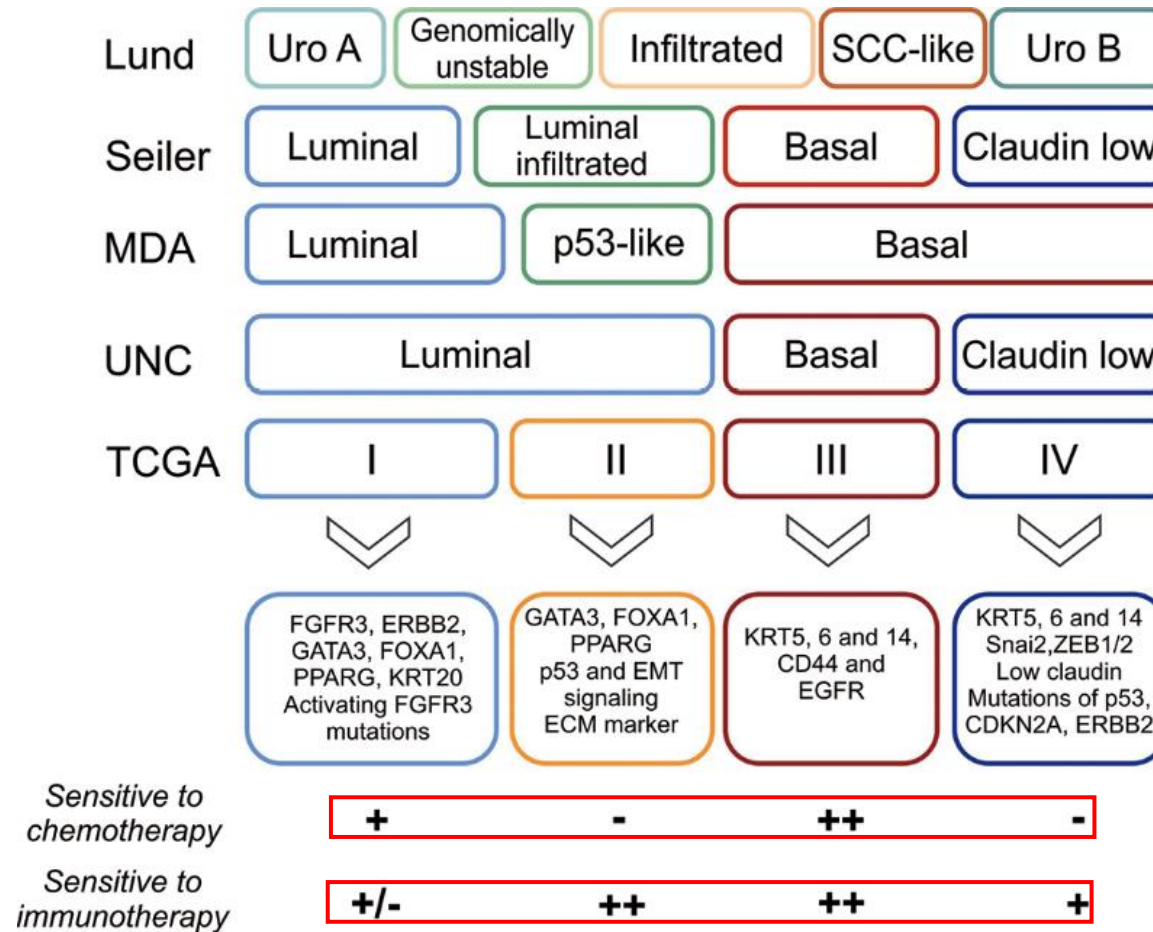
Assessment of Molecular Biomarkers for Bladder Cancer Diagnosis, Prognosis and Therapy : Immune Checkpoint / Telomerase Network

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Molecular Classification of Bladder Cancer



MDA: the MD Anderson Cancer Center;
 UNC: the University of North Carolina;
 TCGA: The Cancer Genome Atlas

Study the behavior of Telomerase Reverse Transcriptase (TERT) genes in bladder cancer and its putative crosstalk with immune checkpoints



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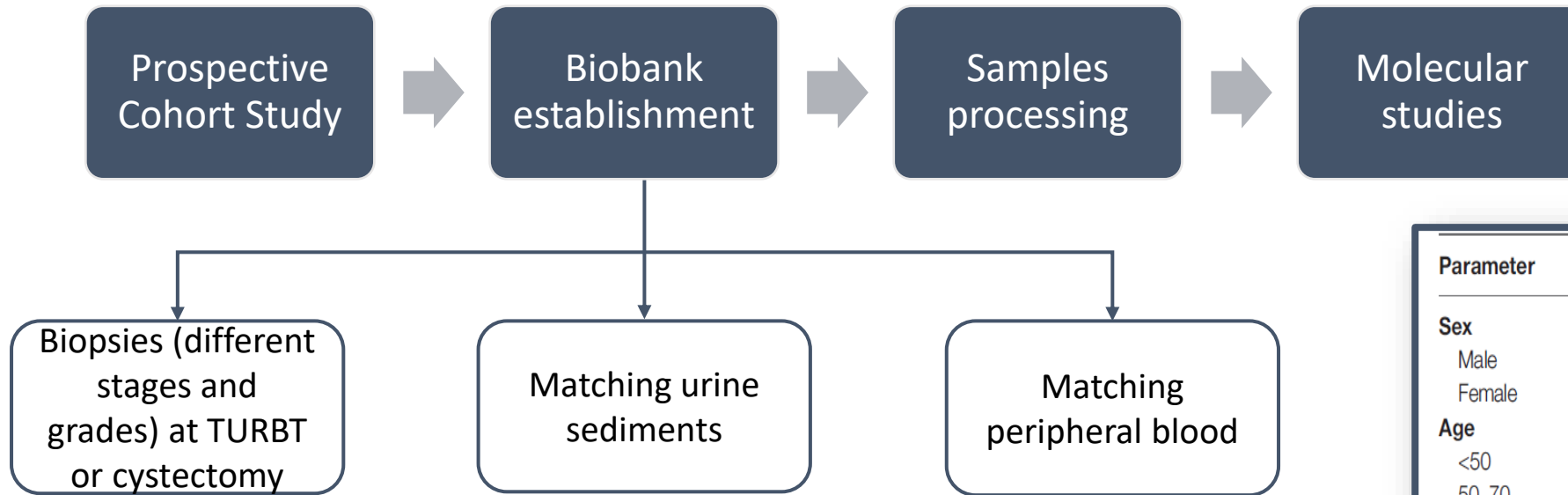


Improve patient's outcome

Immune Checkpoint and Telomerase Crosstalk Is Mediated by miRNA-138 in Bladder Cancer

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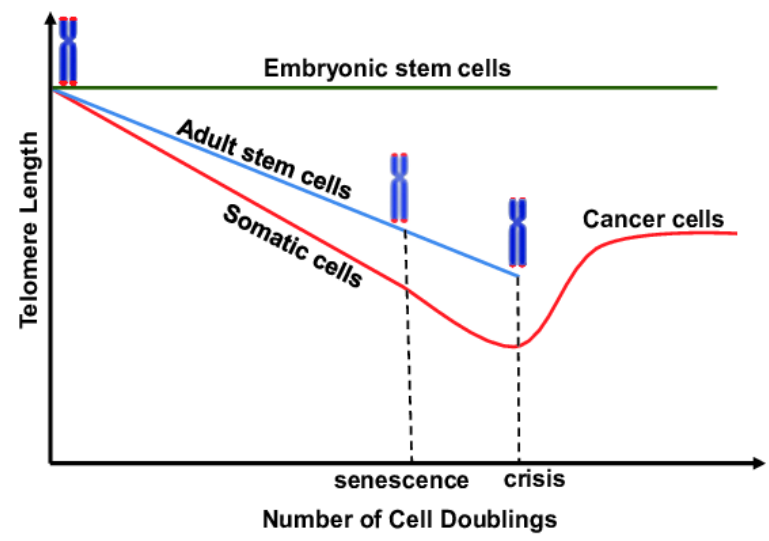
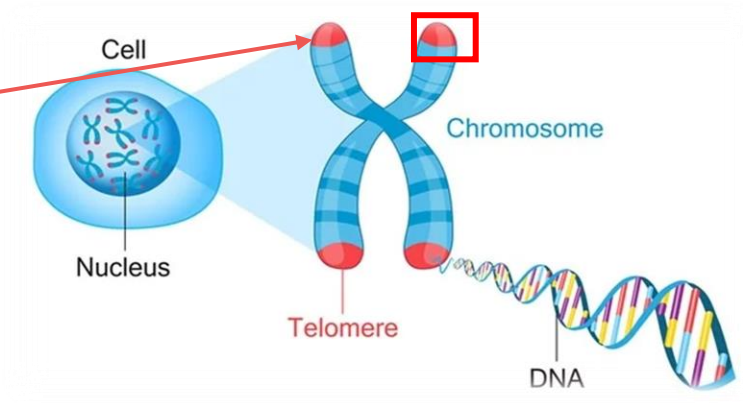
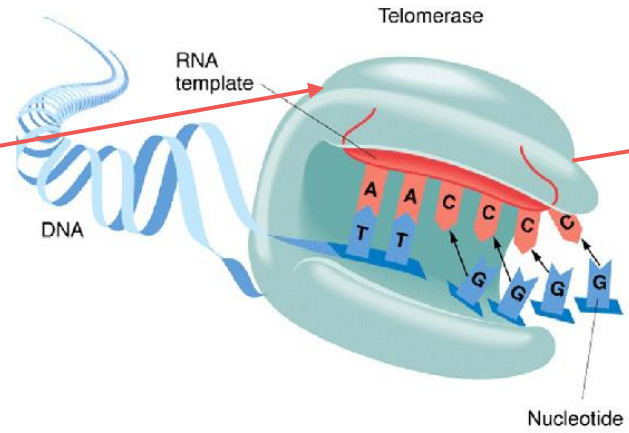
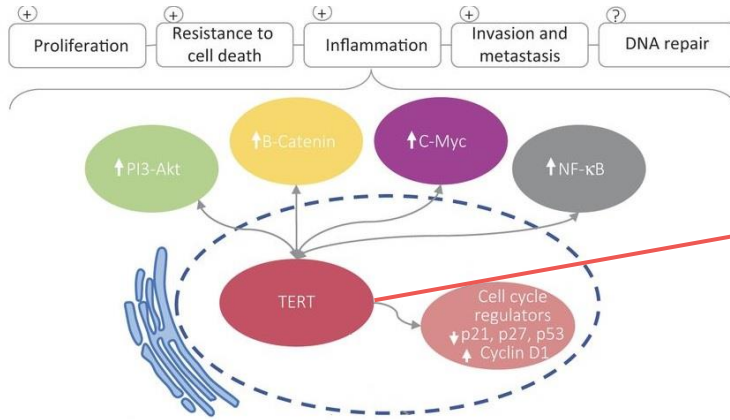
Project Workflow



| Parameter | Total cases | Percentage % |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Sex | | |
| Male | 68 | 97.14 |
| Female | 2 | 2.86 |
| Age | | |
| <50 | 1 | 1.43 |
| 50–70 | 44 | 62.86 |
| >70 | 25 | 35.71 |
| Smoking history | | |
| Yes | 28 | 40 |
| No | 42 | 60 |
| Tumor stage | | |
| ≤PT1 | 52 | 74.29 |
| >PT1 | 18 | 25.71 |
| Tumor grade | | |
| Low grade | 27 | 38.57 |
| High grade | 43 | 61.43 |
| Tumor recurrence | | |
| Yes | 12 | 23.08 |
| No | 40 | 76.92 |
| Tumor progression | | |
| Yes | 5 | 9.62 |
| No | 47 | 90.38 |

TERT and Telomeres

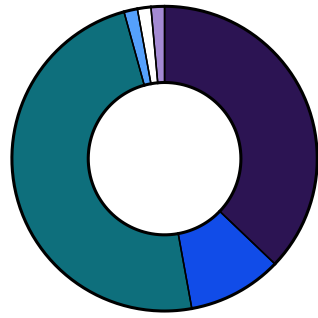
TERT: Telomerase Reverse Transcriptase



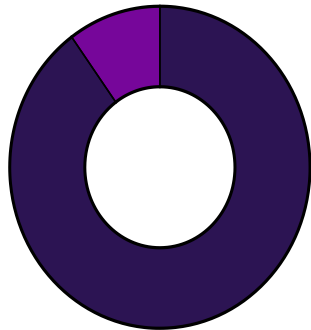
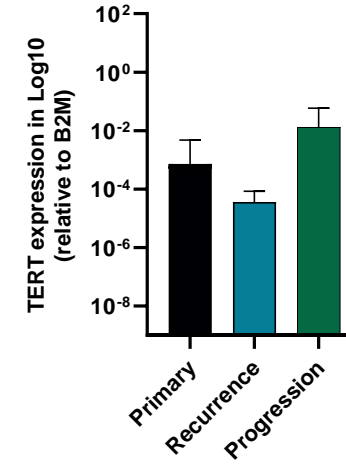
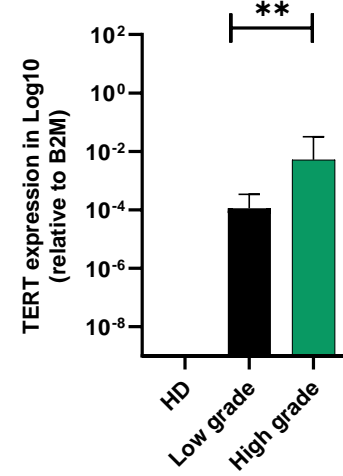
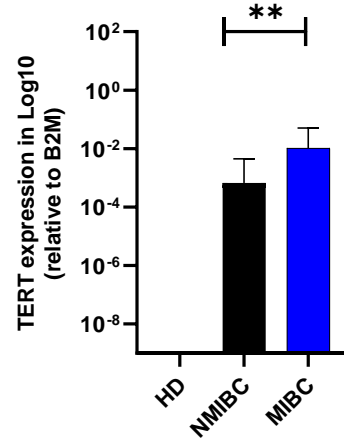
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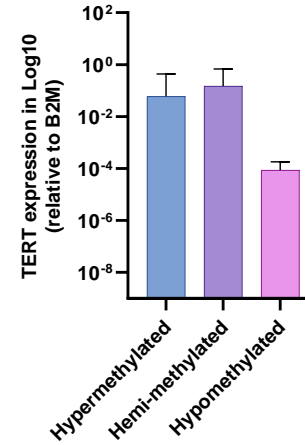
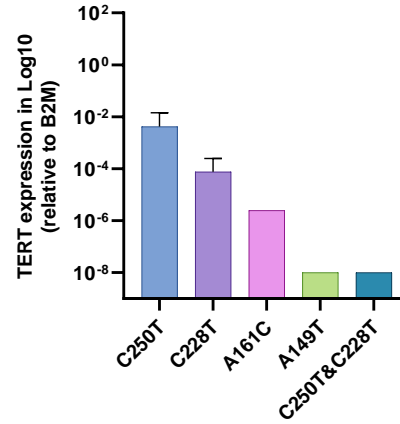
TERT Expression in Bladder Cancer



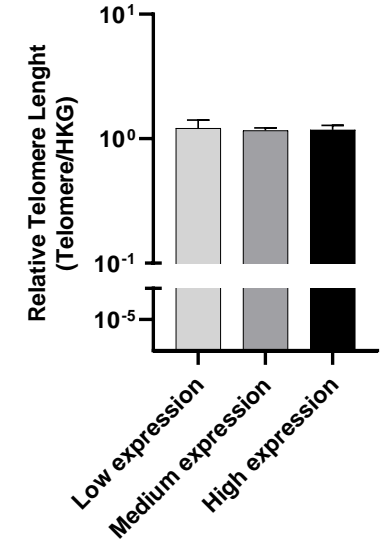
- 37.14% WT
- 10.00% C250T
- 48.57% C228T
- 1.43% A161C
- 1.43% G149T
- 1.43% C250T&C228T



- 90.00% Hypermethylated
- 10.00% Hypomethylated



Effect on Telomere length ??




Immunotherapy Challenge in Bladder Cancer

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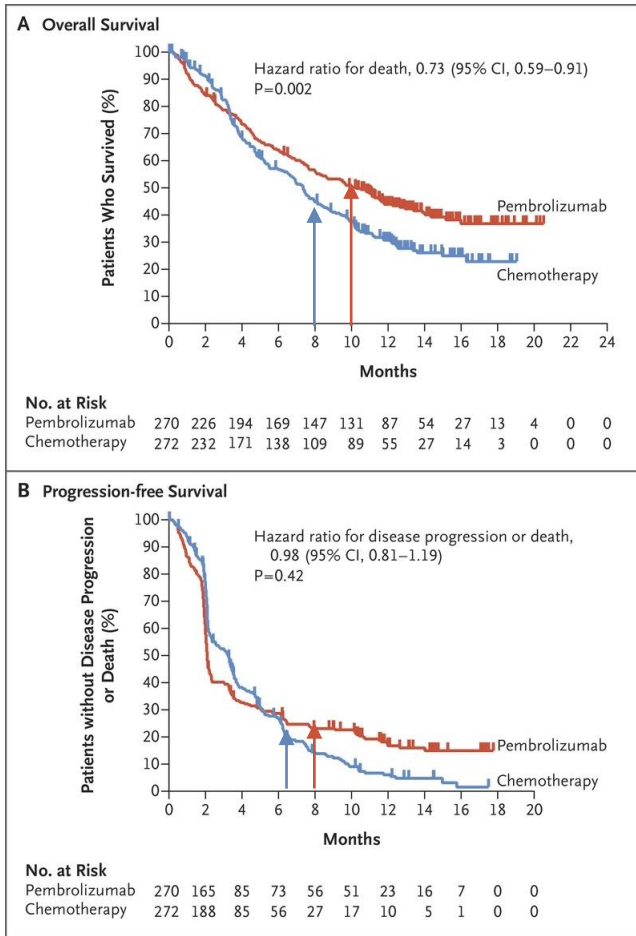
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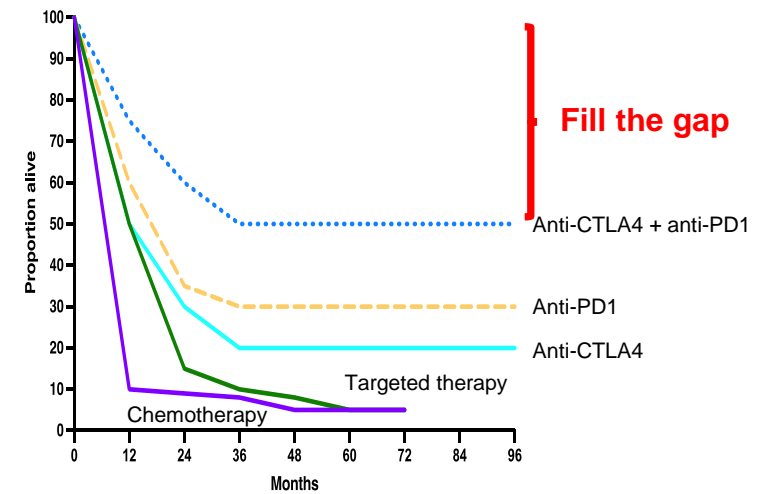
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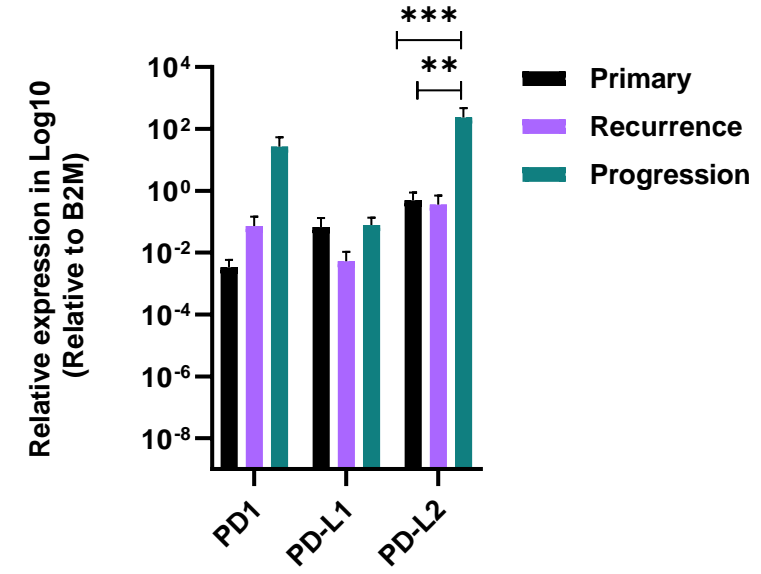
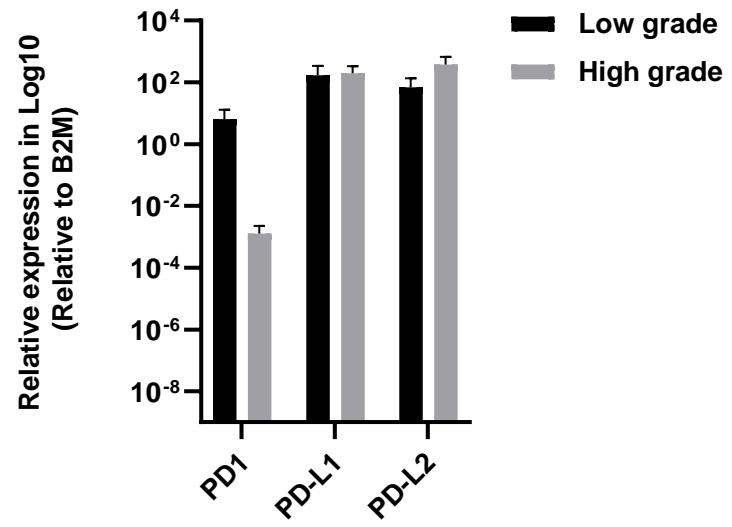
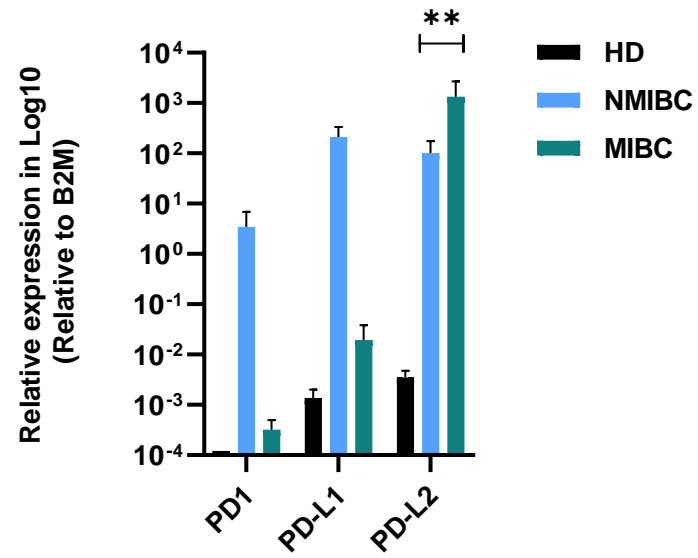
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Immunotherapy Challenge in Bladder Cancer




| Study number | Eligibility | Phase | Intervention |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------|--|
| NCT0192839 4 | Advanced or metastatic bladder cancer | Phase I/II | Nivolumab and Ipilimumab |
| NCT0308447 1 | Advanced bladder cancer | Phase III | Durvalumab and Tremelimumab |
| NCT0321977 5 | Metastatic or advanced transitional cell carcinoma | Phase II | Nivolumab and Ipilimumab |
| NCT0303609 8 | Unresectable or metastatic UC | Phase III | Nivolumab, Ipilimumab, Gemcitabine/Cisplatin/Carboplatin |
| NCT0251624 1 | Unresectable stage IV UC | Phase III | Durvalumab and Tremelimumab |
| NCT0422385 6 | Advanced or metastatic UC | Phase III | EV and Pembrolizumab |
| NCT0351925 6 | BCG unresponsive high-risk NMIBC | Phase II | Nivolumab, BMS-986205 and BCG |
| NCT0256063 6 | Advanced bladder cancer | Phase I | Pembrolizumab and radiotherapy |
| NCT0264330 3 | Bladder cancer | Phase I/II | Tremelimumab, Durvalumab and polyICLC |
| NCT0347374 3 | Metastatic or advanced UC | Phase Ib-II | Erdafitinib, Cetrelimab and Platinum |
| NCT0347375 6 | UC | Phase Ib/II | Rogaratinib and Atezolizumab |
| NCT0417267 5 | High-risk NMIBC | Phase II | Erdafitinib, Gemcitabine/Mitomycin C |
| NCT0374591 1 | Metastatic UC | Phase II | Paclitaxel and TAK-228 |
| NCT0254666 1 | MIBC | Phase I | Durvalumab, Olaparib, AZD1775 and Vistusertib |
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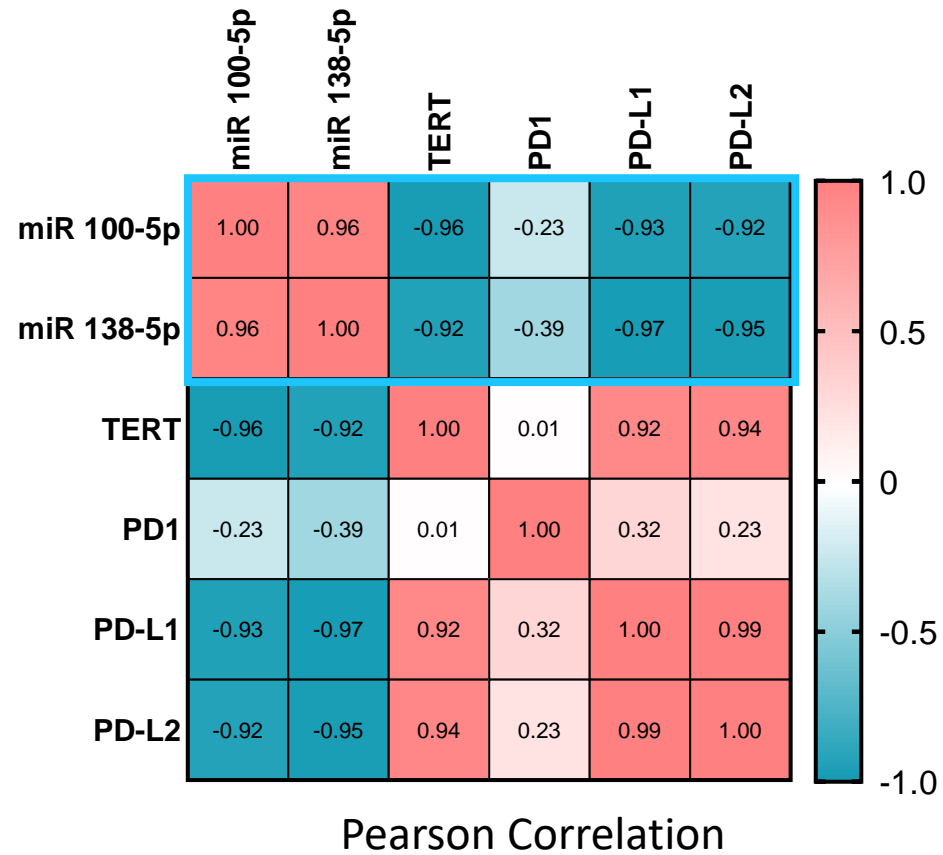
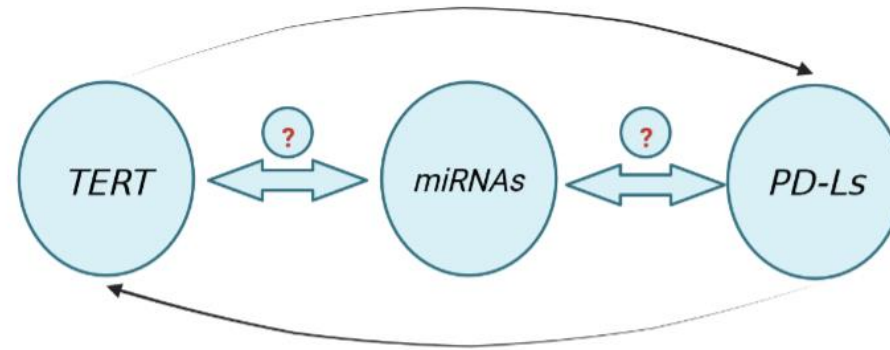
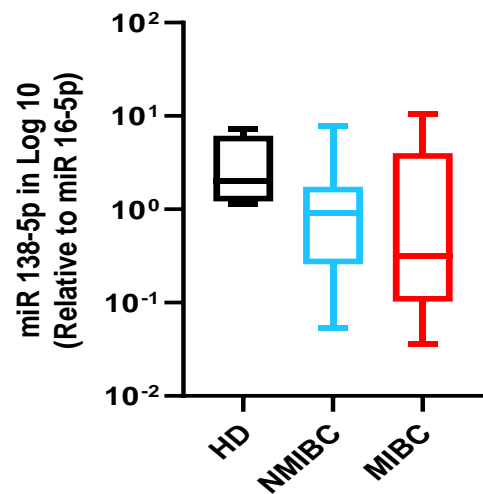
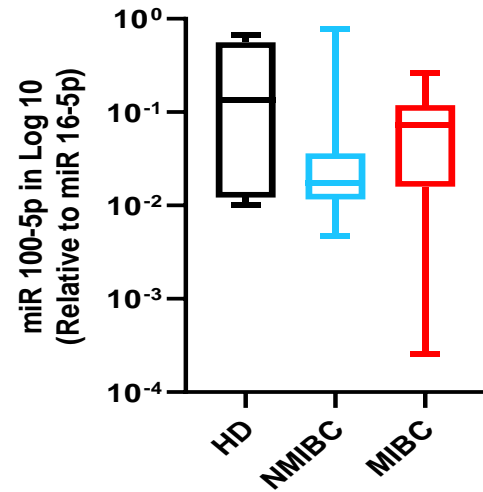
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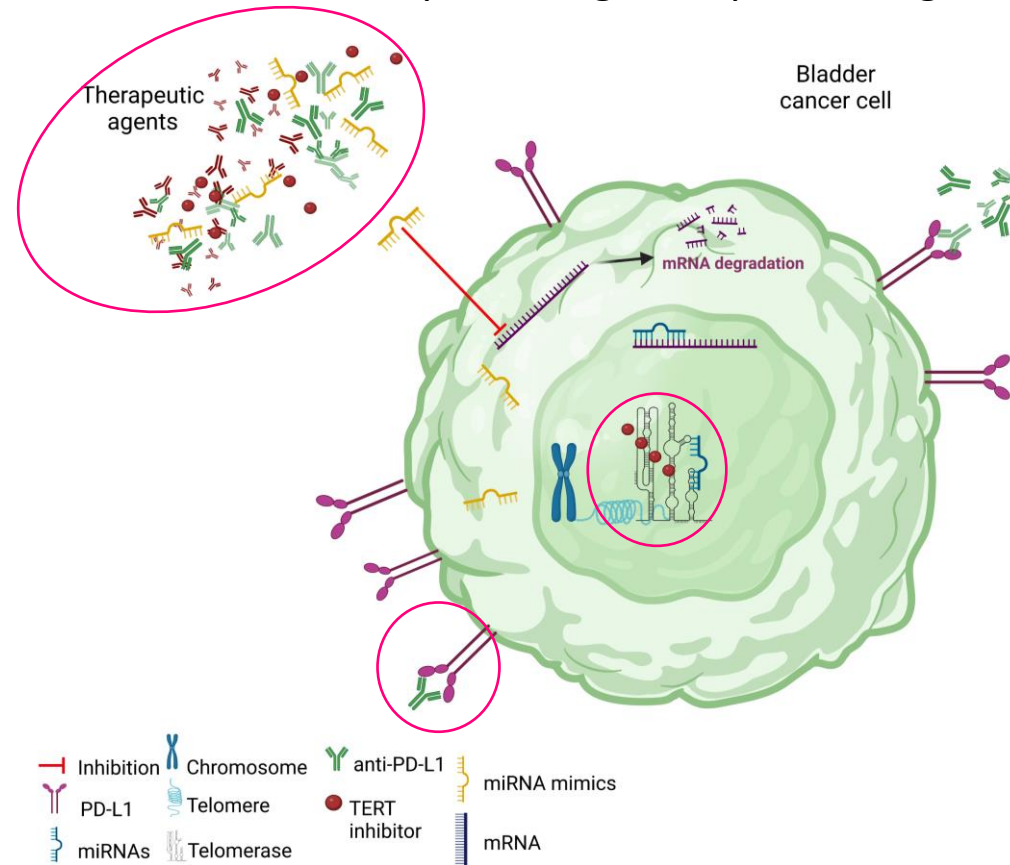
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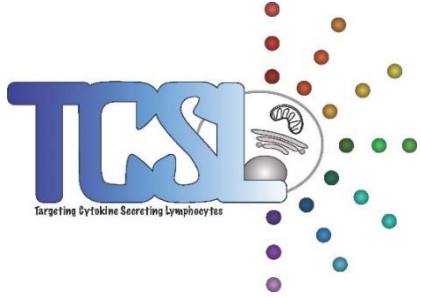


Main findings & Conclusion

- ✓ TERT, PD-Ls, miR-138-5p, and miR-100-5p expression might be used as diagnosis and prognosis biomarkers for better patients' stratification and follow-up
- ✓ The identified network could be a promising therapeutic target



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