



Nanoparticles as Therapeutic Platforms

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Clinical Research Perspective

- What do clinical researchers need to know about nanotechnology?
- What tests must nano-materials themselves undergo?
- What are the potential and known risks with the use of nanotechnology and how are unknowns being addressed?
- Are there real advantages to nanotechnology?

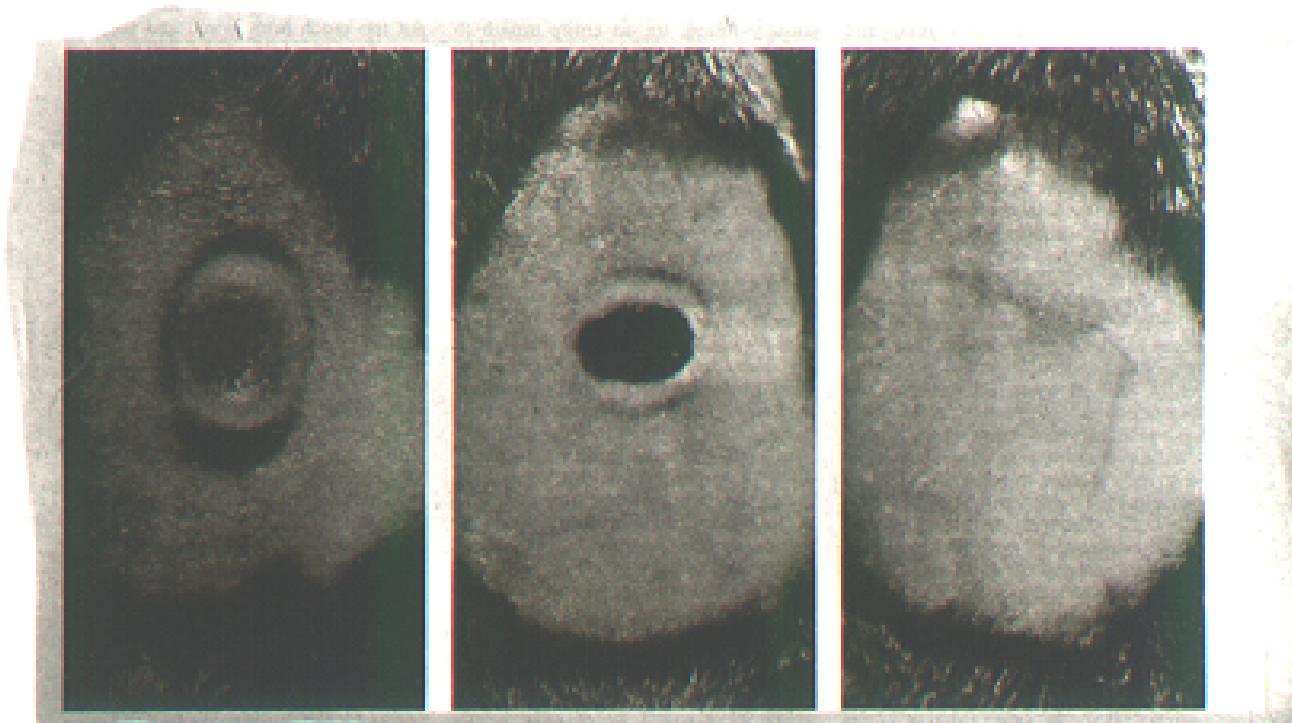
An endotoxin-induced serum factor that causes necrosis of tumors

(activated macrophage)

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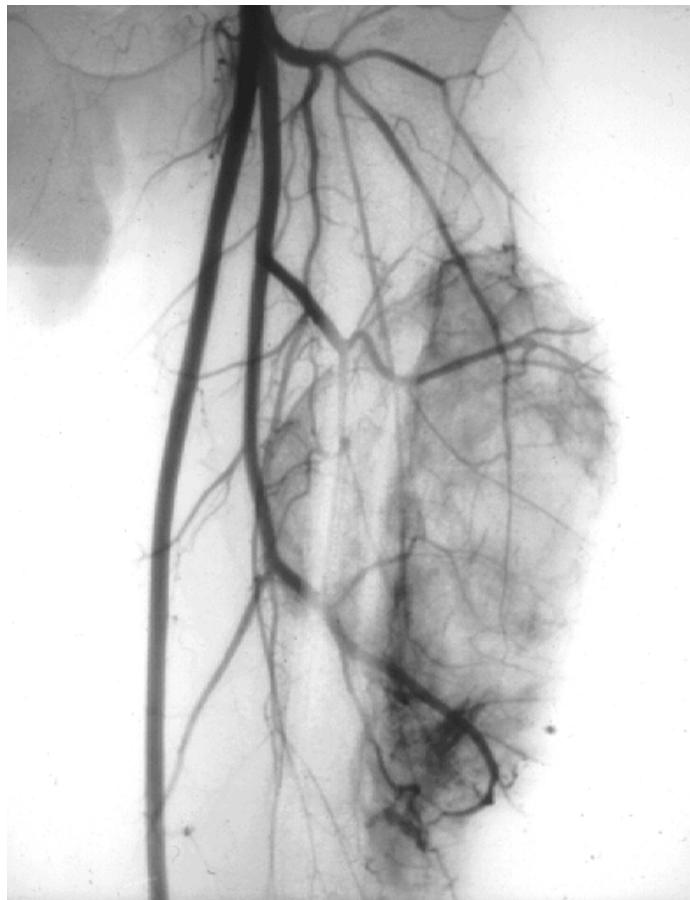
Communicated by Lewis Thomas, June 23, 1973



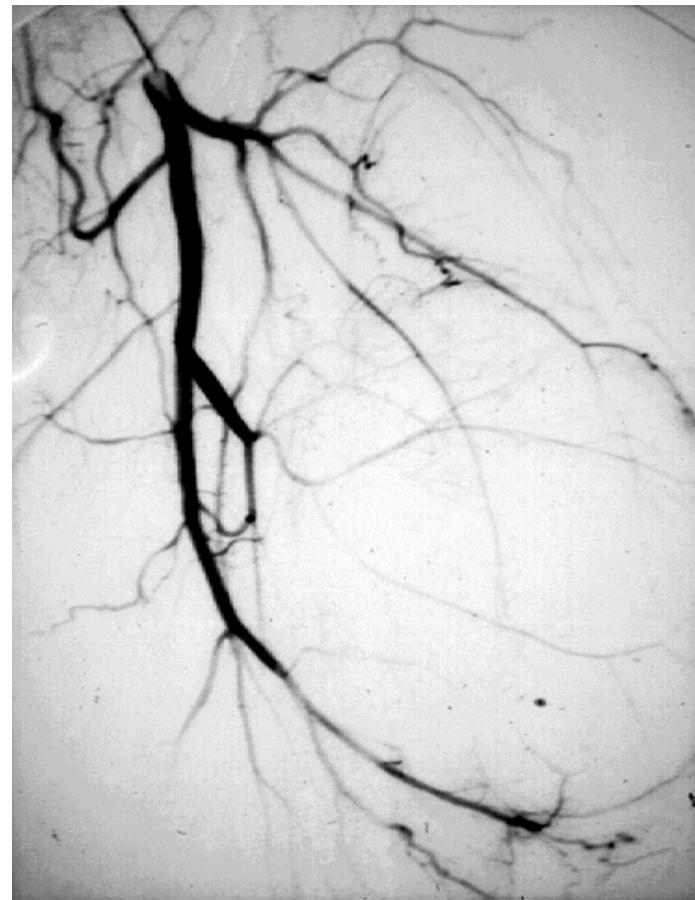
Tumor Necrosis Factor (TNF)

- Cytokine with potent anti-tumor effect
- Utility in humans currently limited by side effects and cannot be administered systemically
- Used clinically in regional perfusion setting
- Good candidate for targeted therapy as high doses may be delivered to the tumor while limiting systemic toxicity
- Anti-tumor effect mediated by effects on vascular endothelium
 - TNF induces vascular permeability & hypercoagulability

Pre-ILP



Post-ILP



Regression of Massive Melanoma After ILP with Melphalan and TNF



Pre-Op



13 Months Post-Op

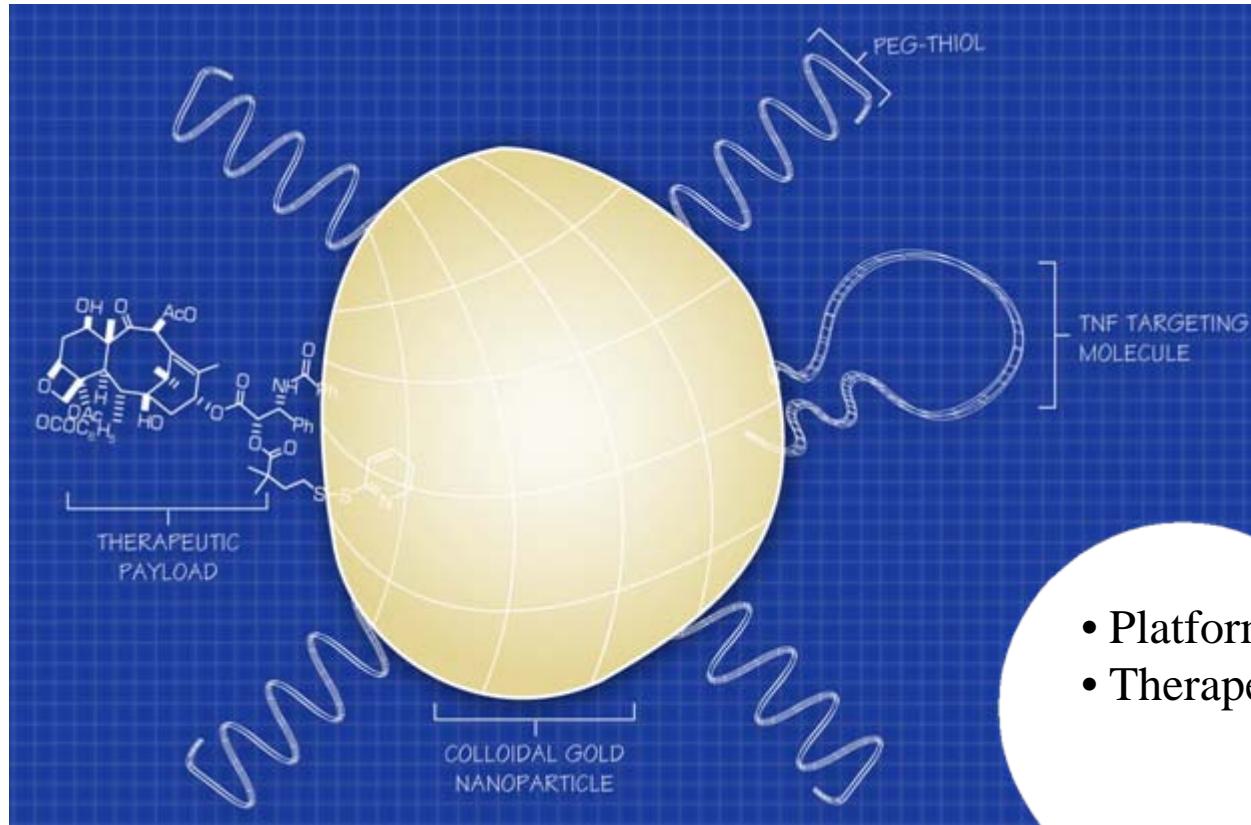
Phase II Trials of Intravenous TNF						
Authors	Dose Schedule	Histology	Evaluable Patients (n)	Responses*		
				CR	PR	MR/SD
Lenk et al.(120)	683-956 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ q 8-12d	Mixed	18	0	0	4
Aboulafia et al.(121)	100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ q wk	Kaposi's sarc.	5	0	0	0
Kemeny et al.(122)	100-150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ qd x 5d	Colorectal	14	0	0	3
Whitehead et al.(123)	150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ qd x 5d	Colorectal	20	0	0	2
Schaadt et al.(124)	217-652 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ 3x/wk	Colorectal	15	0	0	1
Budd et al.(125)	150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ qd x 5d	Breast	19	0	0	0
Brown et al.(119)	150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ qd x 5d	Pancreas	22	0	0	0
Skillings et al.(126)	150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ qd x 5d	Renal cell	22	1	1	0
Feldman et al.(127)	150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ qd x 5d	Melanoma	21	0	0	1
Total:			156	1	1	11

Dose-Limiting Toxicities in Phase I Trials of Intravenous TNF			
Dose-Limiting Toxicity	Number of Trials (%)		
	Bolus Intravenous (n=12)	Cont. Intravenous (n=6)	Total (n=18)
Hypotension	11 (92)	2 (33)	13 (72)
Hepatotoxicity	5 (42)	1 (17)	6 (33)
Malaise, myalgia, fatigue	2 (17)	2 (33)	4 (22)
Thrombocytopenia	1 (8)	3 (50)	4 (22)
CNS toxicity, confusion	1 (8)	2 (33)	3 (17)
Leukopenia	1 (8)	1 (17)	2 (11)
Headache	0 (0)	2 (33)	2 (11)
Nausea	1 (8)	0 (0)	1 (6)
Fever, chills	0 (0)	1 (17)	1 (6)

Colloidal Gold As Nanomedicine:

- History of safety (colloidal gold used for 70+ years)
- Tumor targeted
- Improved biodelivery
- Increased efficacy with lower toxicities
- Highly versatile
- Ease of manufacturing

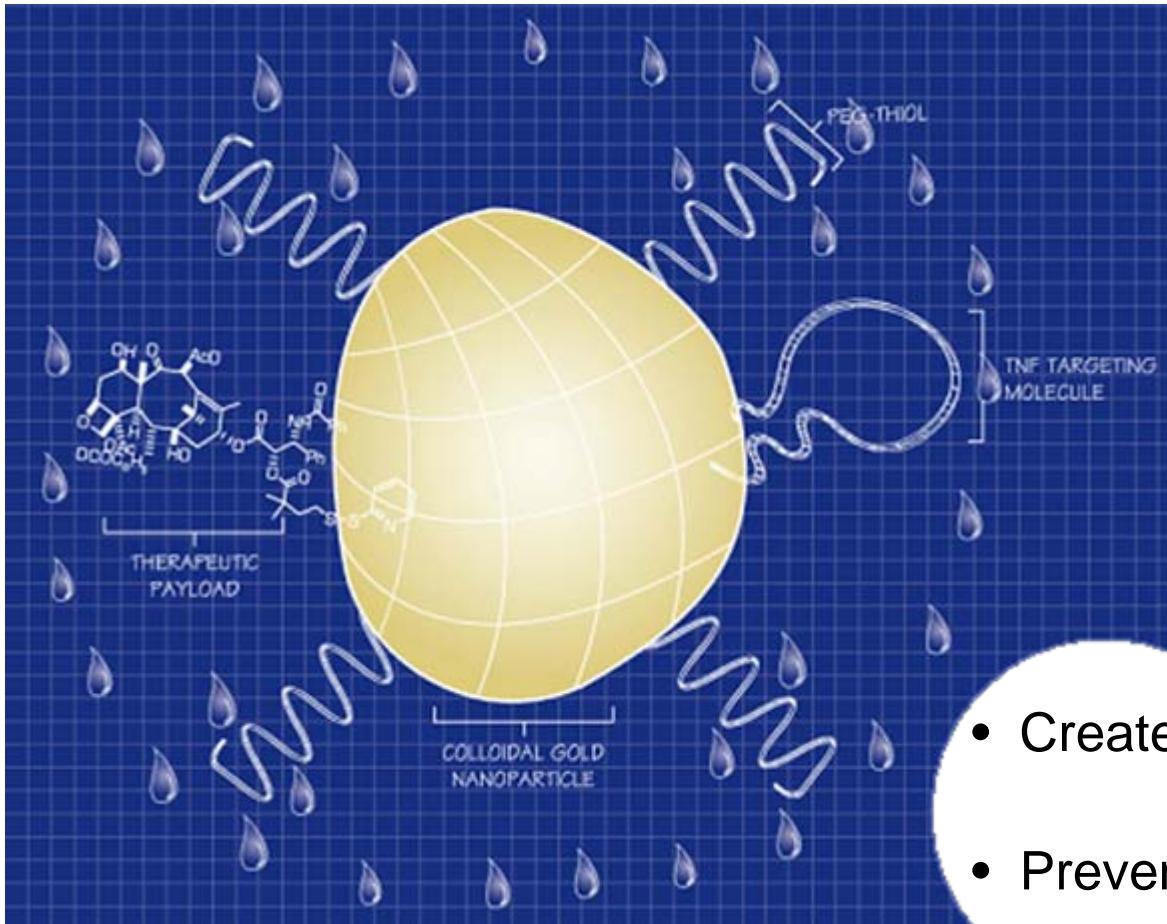
Cytimmune Core Technology:



- Platform for Targeting Ligand
- Therapeutic Payload

Cytimmune Core Technology:

PEG-THIOL Particle Hydration after Intravenous Injection



- Creates a Water Shield
- Prevents Immune Detection

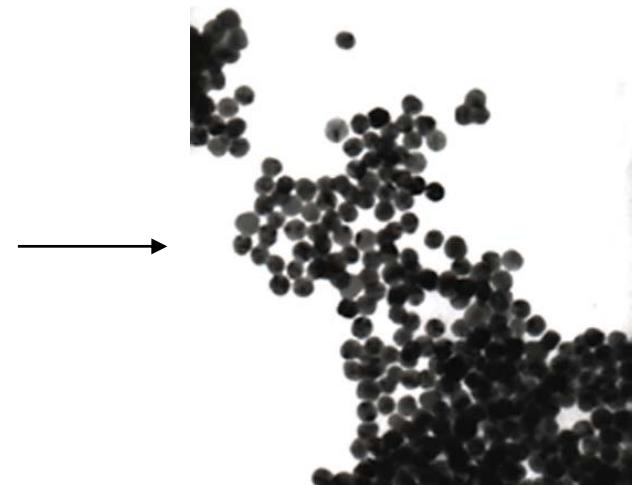
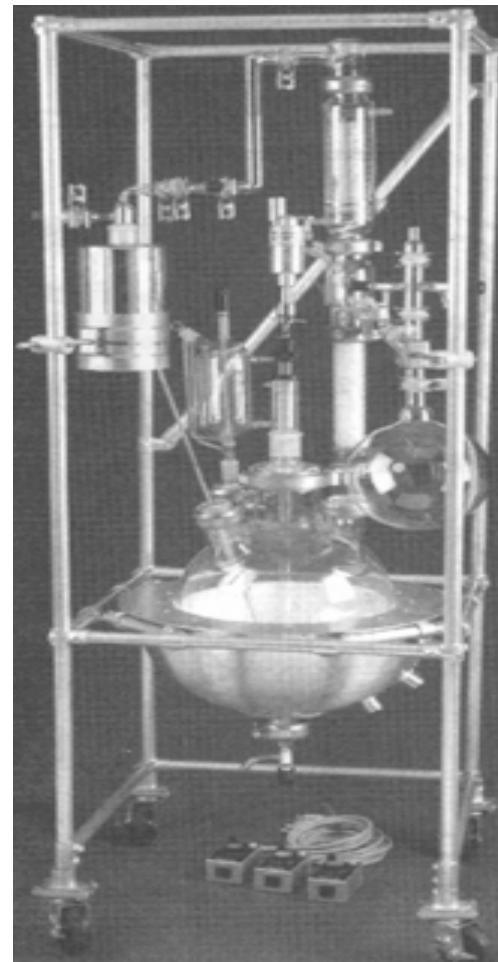
Colloidal Gold Nanoparticle Synthesis

Gold
Chloride

+

Sodium
Citrate

Au^{3+}

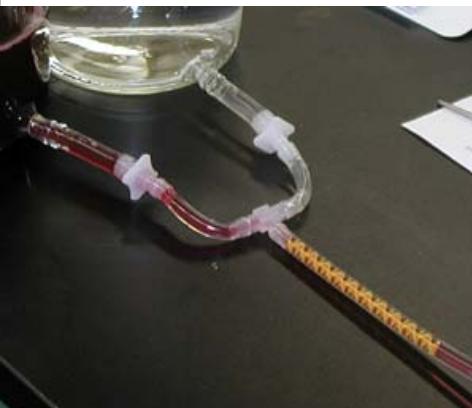


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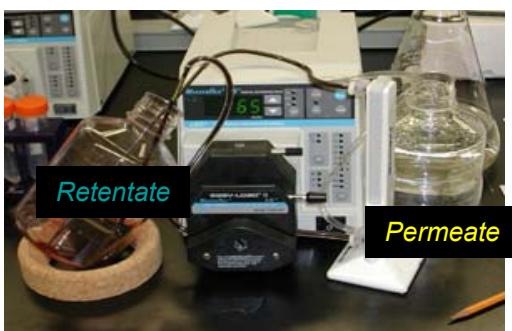
Manufacturing at a Glance



Current Manufacturing Process utilizes 1 pump to draw reagents into the in-line mixer. 1 Pump and or the Volume of mixer (<100 mL) may be limiting for large scale process

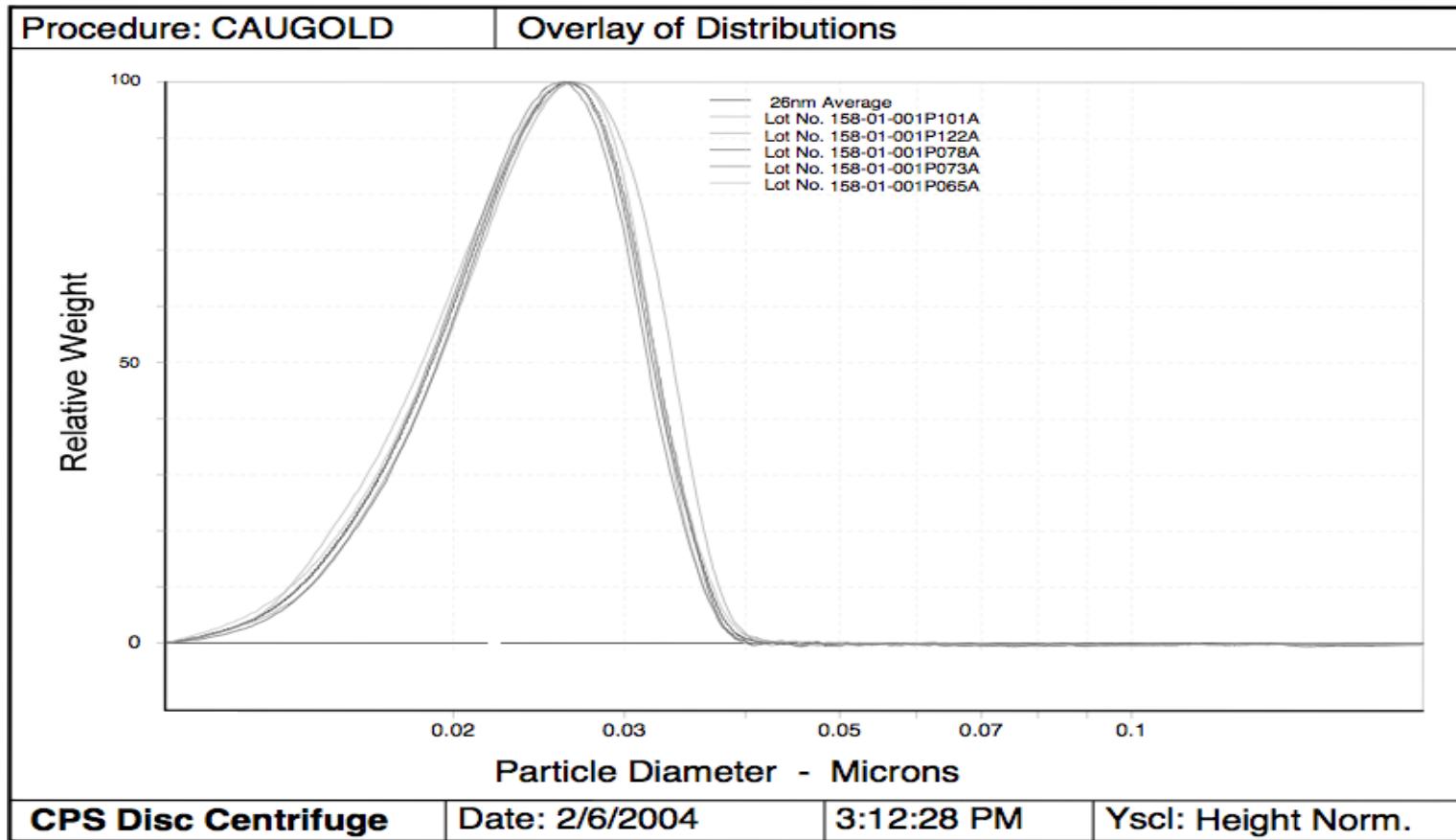


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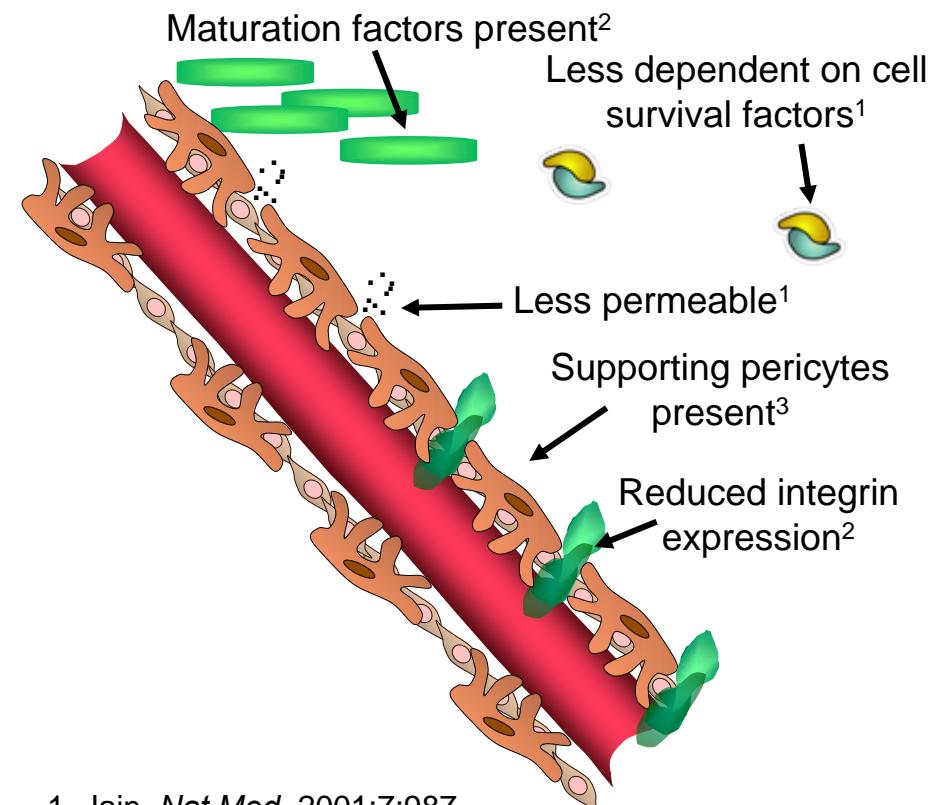
Addition of HSA follows complete mixing of reagents

Reproducibility of Particle Synthesis

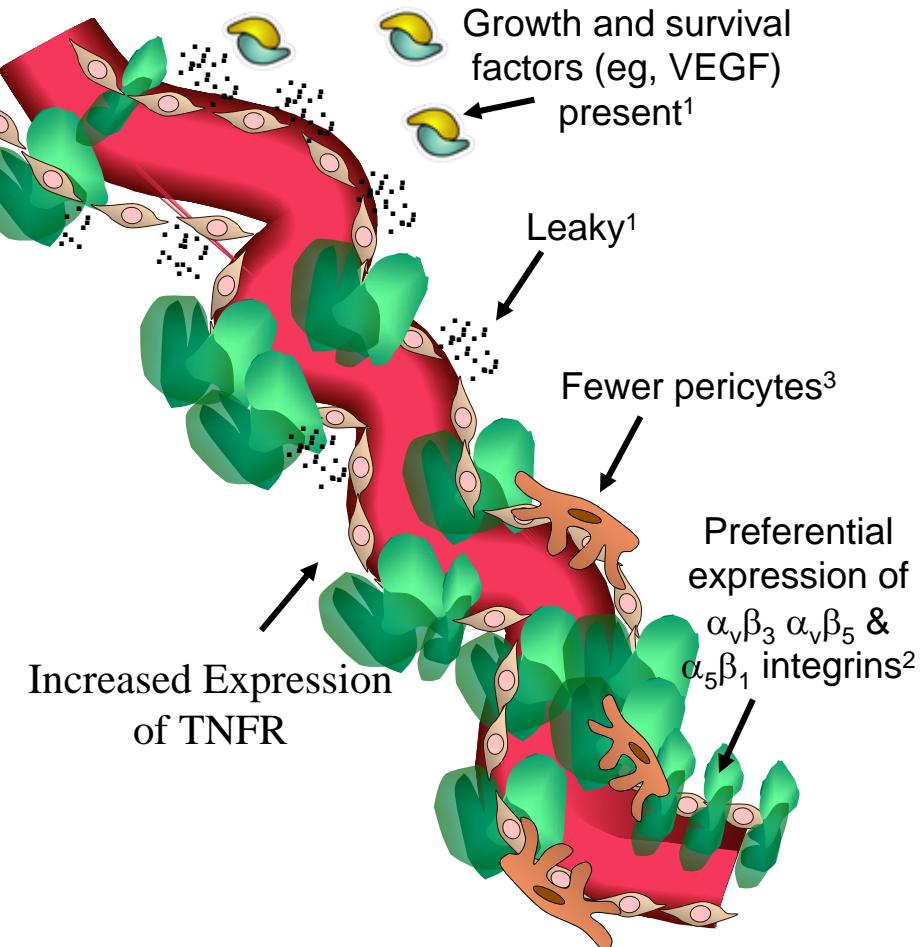


Normal and Tumor Vasculature

Normal Blood Vessels



Tumor Blood Vessels

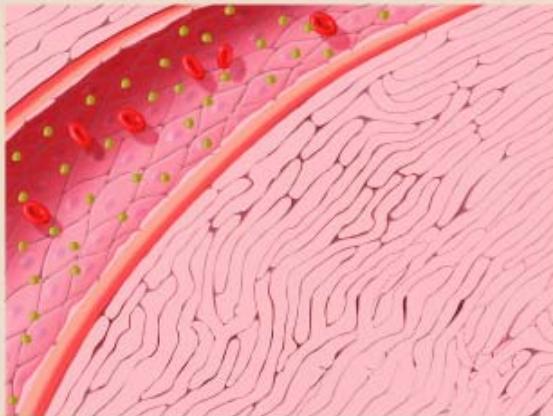


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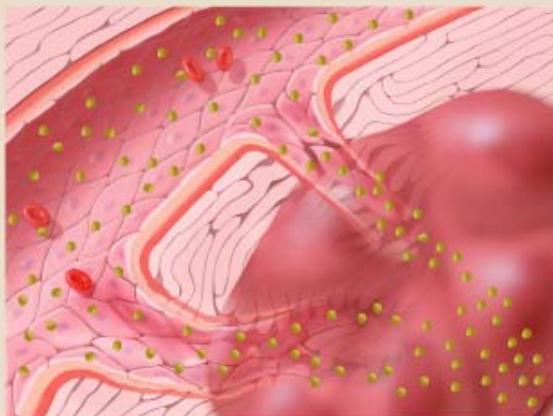
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Nanoparticles Flowing Through:



- Healthy blood vessels



- Leaky blood vessels in and around tumor

Trafficking of IV Injected CYT-6091 to a Colon Carcinoma Tumor Implanted in C57BL/6 Mice



0 hour



1 hour



2 hours



3 hours



5 hours

Comparison of Colloidal Gold-TNF Formulations

Untreated



cAu-TNF



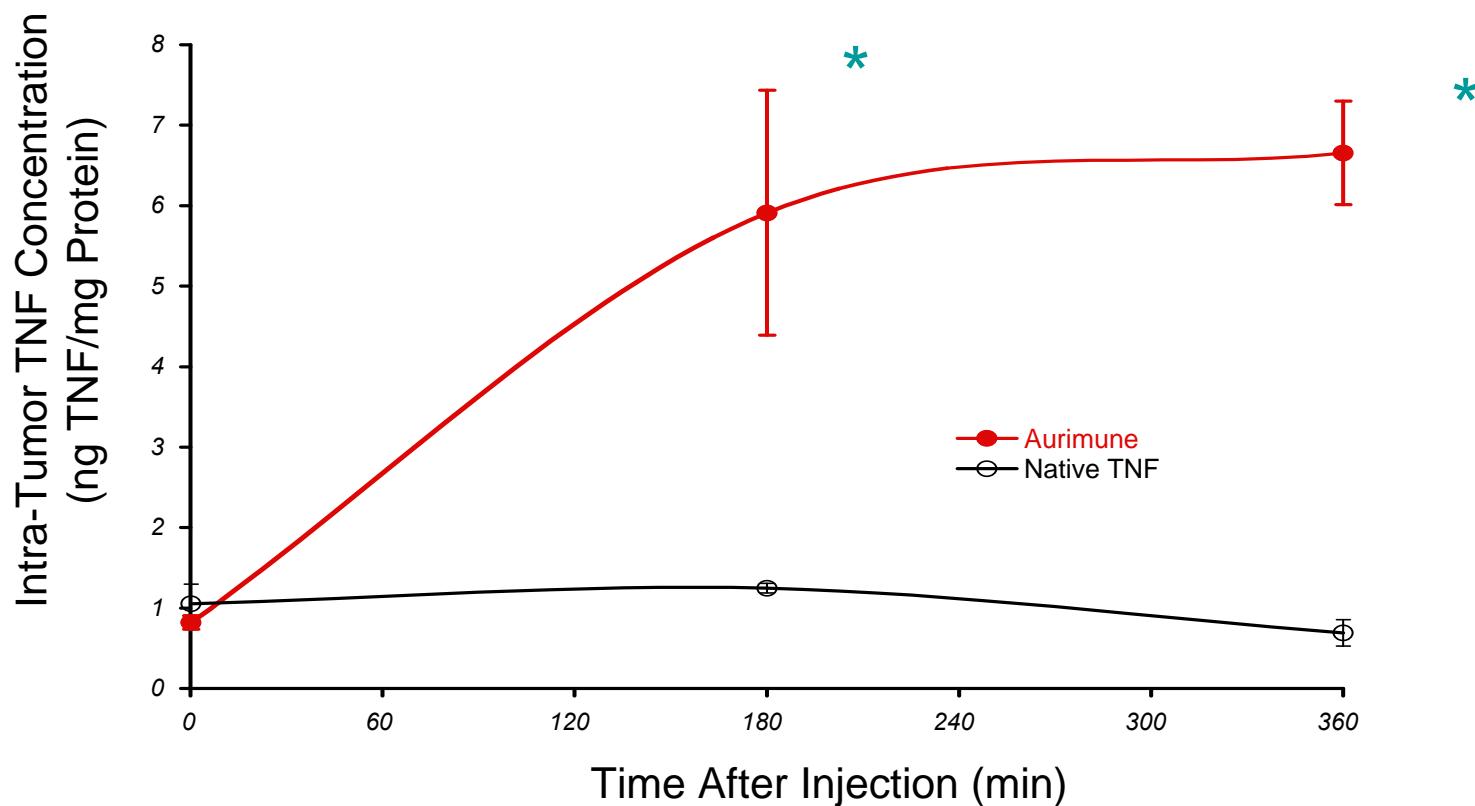
CYT-6091



cAu-TNF

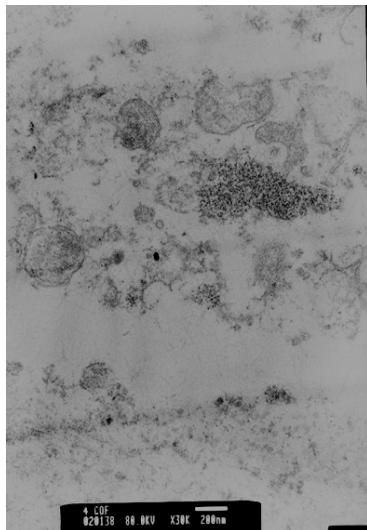
PEG-THIOL Bound
to cAu-TNF

Biodistribution: Tumor concentrations of TNF following IV Injection of Native TNF or CYT-6091 (Aurimune)

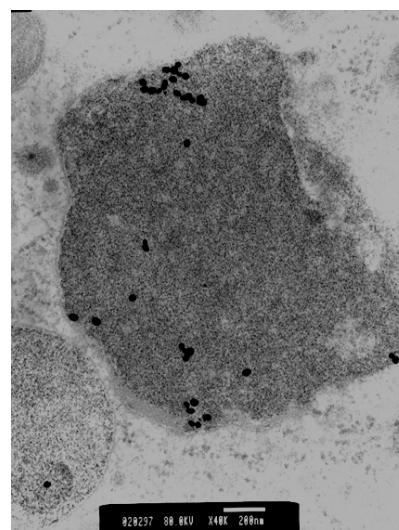


Differential Uptake of CYT-6091 by Tumor and Normal Tissue

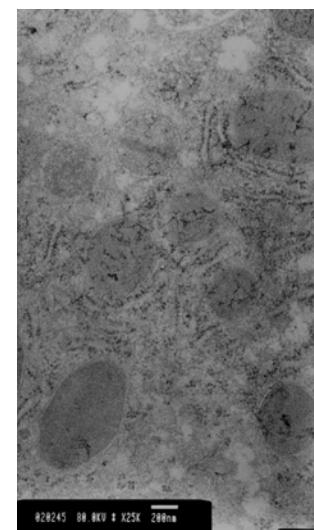
Spleen-9



Tumor-18



Liver-21



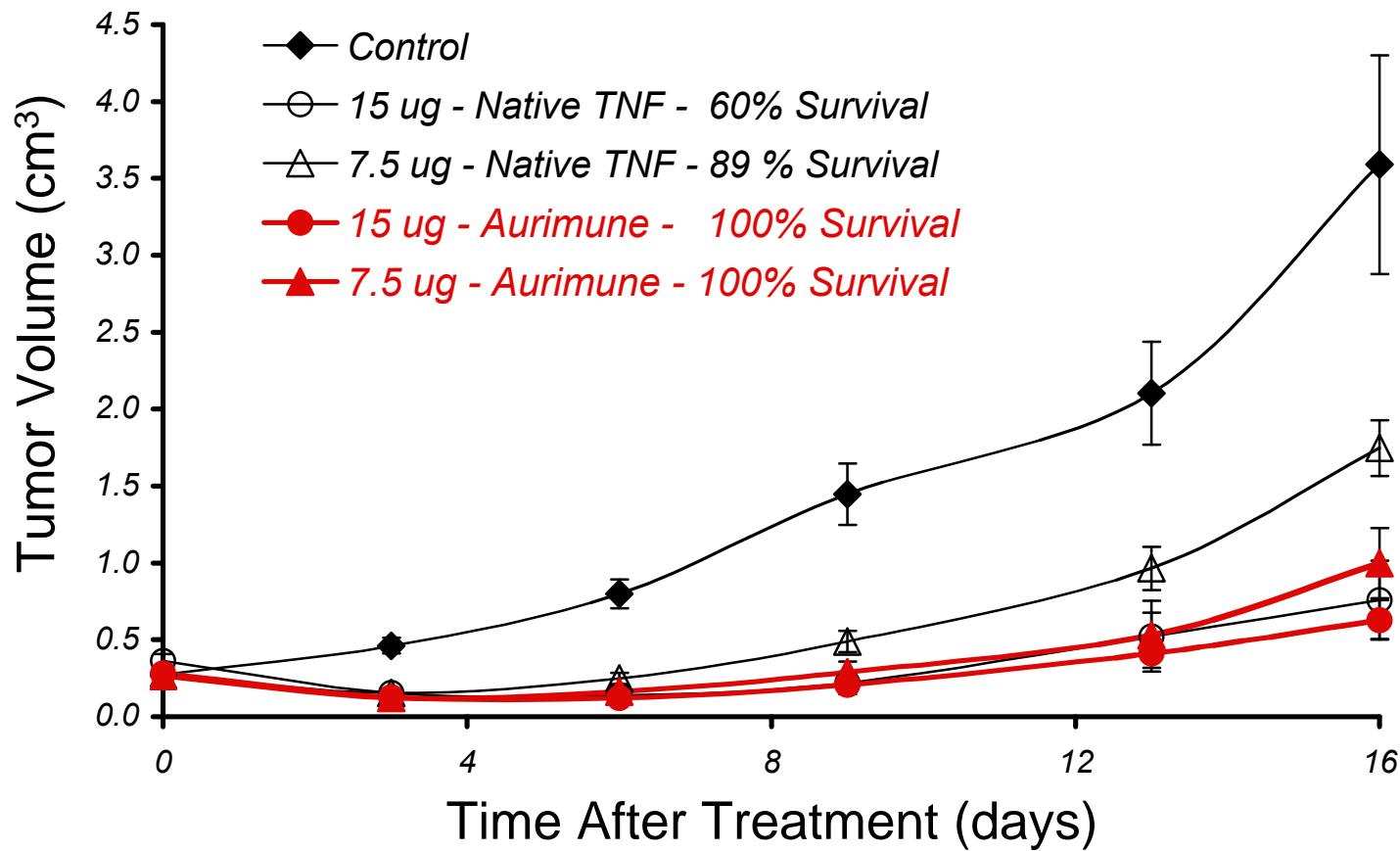
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Bar = 200 nm

40,000X

25,000X

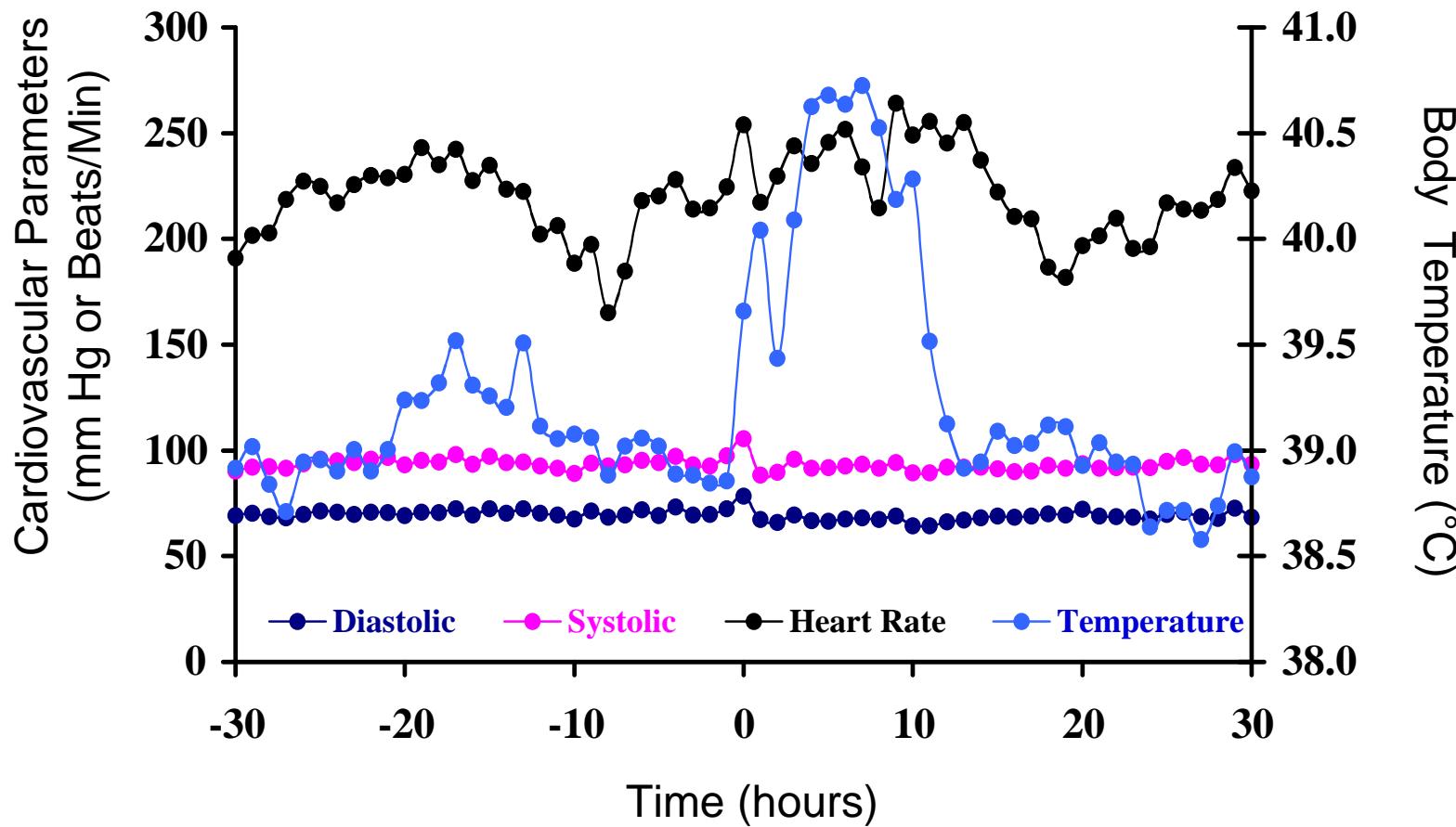
Comparison of Aurimune and Native TNF on Tumor Growth of MC-38 Tumors in C57BL/6 Mice



*GLP Manufactured Lyophilized Aurimune
for GLP Toxicology Study*



Cardiovascular Observation in a single rabbit dosed with 25 µg/kg CYT-6091:
No hypotension observed



Phase I Clinical Protocol Design: Single Agent Trial

I. Dose Escalation:

50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$, 100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$, 150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$, 200 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$, 250 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$, 300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$,
400 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$, 500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$, 600 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$

II. Each Patient Receives Only One Dose Level

III. One Treatment Course = Treat on Day 0 and Day 15

IV. Three (3) Patients per Dose w/o DLT; Six (6) w/ one DLT in 1st cohort; Maximum Number of Patients in Dose Escalation = 36

V. Evaluation to Progress to Next Dose = Day 20

VI. Additional Patients (up to 12) may be recruited at MTD to increase N to a Maximum of 42 Patients

Demographics

Patients: 30

Gender: 12 M, 18 Female

Mean Age: 53.5 y (26.5-70.2)

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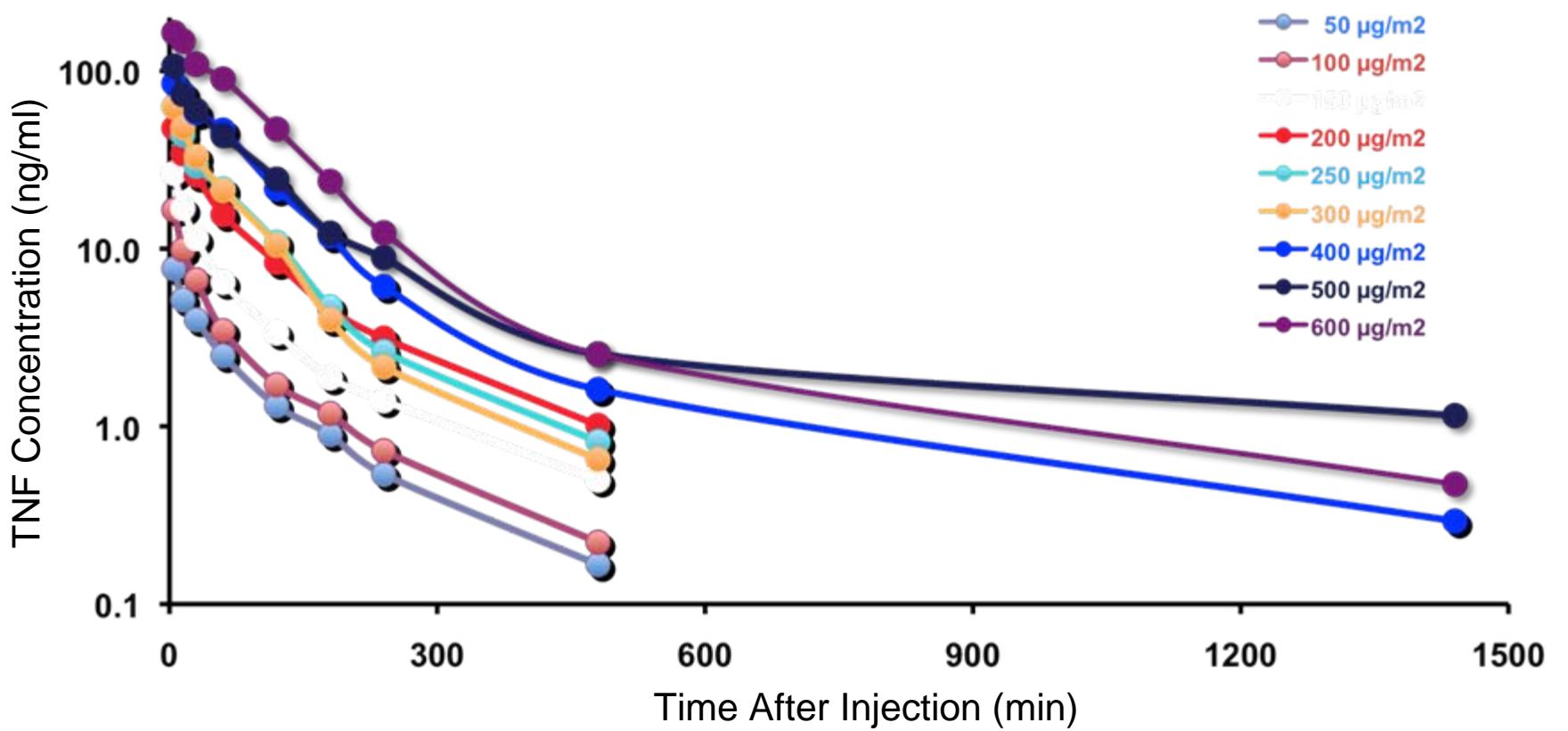
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0601-01	Cutaneous melanoma	PD
0601-02	Colon Cancer (Adeno)	PD
0601-03	Ocular Melanoma	PD
0601-04	Colon Cancer (Adeno)	PD
0601-05	Colon Cancer (Adeno)	SD (2)
0601-06	Ocular Melanoma	PR (7)
0601-07	Adenocarcinoma of the Lung	PD
0601-08	Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma	PD
0601-09	Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma	PD
0601-10	Invasive Ductal Carcinoma	PD
0601-11	Leiomyosarcoma	PD
0601-12	Ocular Melanoma	PD
0601-13	Ocular Melanoma	SD (3)
0601-14	Pancreatic Adeno	no treatment given
0601-15	Pancreatic Adeno	PD
0601-16	Ocular Melanoma	PD

Demographics (cont.)

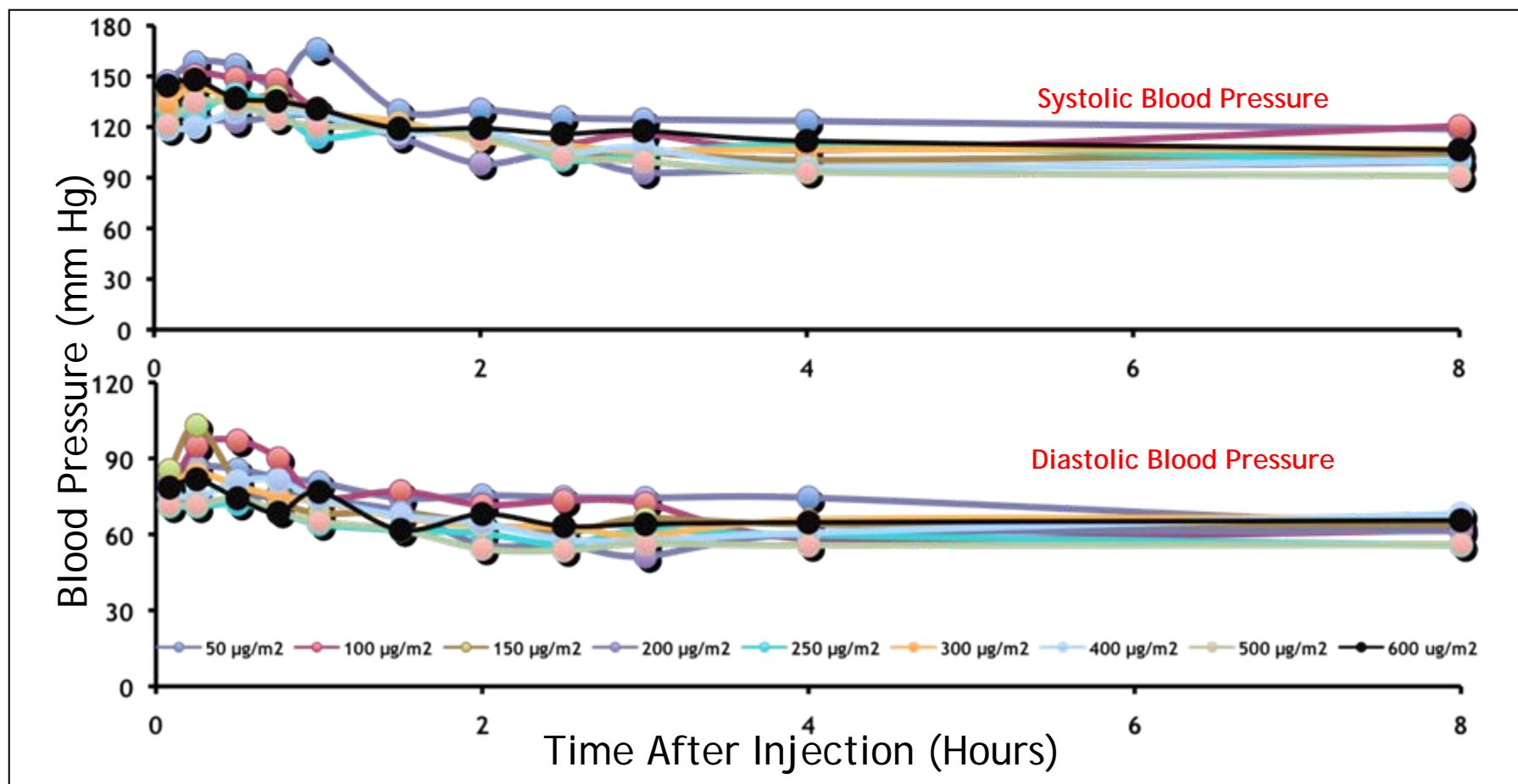
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0601-18	Ocular Melanoma	PD
0601-19	Ocular Melanoma	PD
0601-20	Ocular Melanoma	PD
0601-21	Desmoplastic small round cell	PD*
0601-22	Rectal Adenocarcinoma	PD
0601-23	Colorectal Adenocarcinoma	PD
0601-24	Ocular Melanoma	PD
0601-25	Invasive Ductal Carcinoma	PD
0601-26	Colorectal Adenocarcinoma	PD*
0601-27	Desmoplastic small round cell	PD
0601-28	Colorectal Adenocarcinoma	PD
0601-29	Colorectal Adenocarcinoma	SD (2)
0601-30	Adrenocortical Carcinoma	PD

*Patient received a single treatment before removal from study

Pharmacokinetics of CYT-6091 in Man



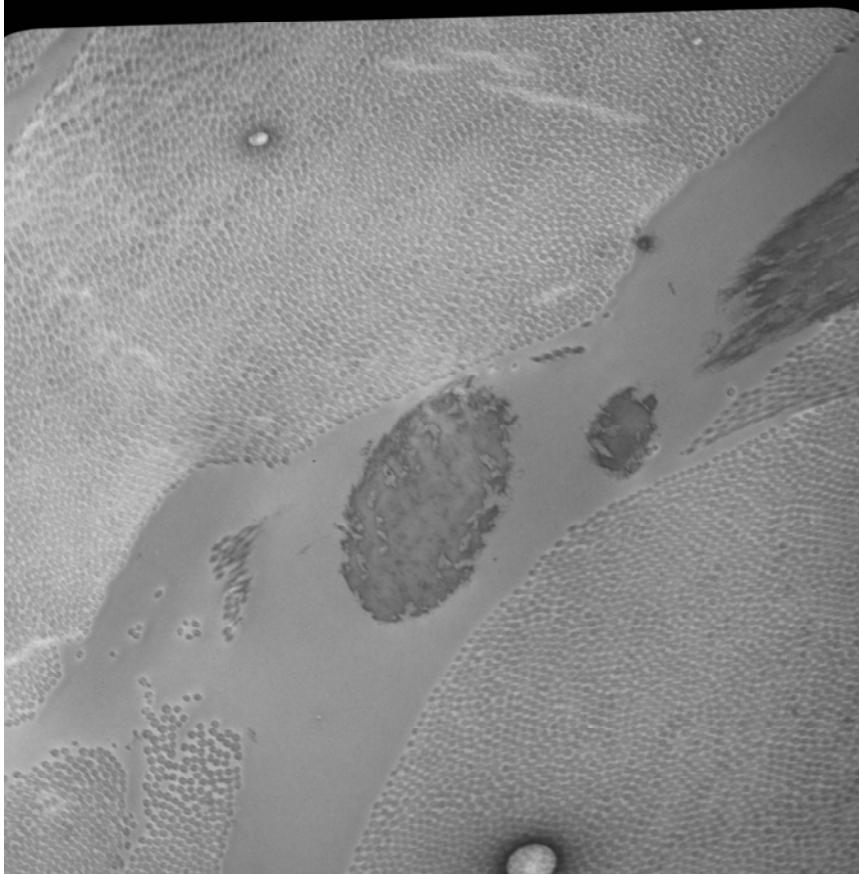
Effect of CYT-6091 on Blood Pressure



Adverse Event (CTCAE v3.0)	50-150 µg/m² (n=9)	200-300 µg/m² (n=10)	400-600 µg/m² (n=10)	Total (n=29)
Blood/Bone Marrow				
Lymphopenia	6	10	10	26
Leukocytes (total WBC)		1	1	2
Hemoglobin			2	2
Neutrophils/granulocytes			1	1
Metabolic/Laboratory				
Hypoalbuminemia	1	1	3	5
Hypokalemia	1	1	3	5
Hypercalcemia		1	1	2
AST/SGOT		3	2	5
ALT/ SGPT			1	1
Alkaline phosphatase		1		1
Hypophosphatemia		4	1	5
Hyperbilirubinemia			5	5
Adverse Events				
Fatigue	2	1		3
Pain, chest wall	1			1
Pain, liver	1			1
Pain, abdomen	2		2	4
Pain, bone		1		1
Pain, head			1	1
Pain, NOS			1	1
Nausea		1	1	2
Vomiting		1	1	2
Diarrhea			1	1
Infection, pneumonia		1		1
Infection, urinary		1	1	2
Anorexia		1		1
Thrombosis/embolism			1	1

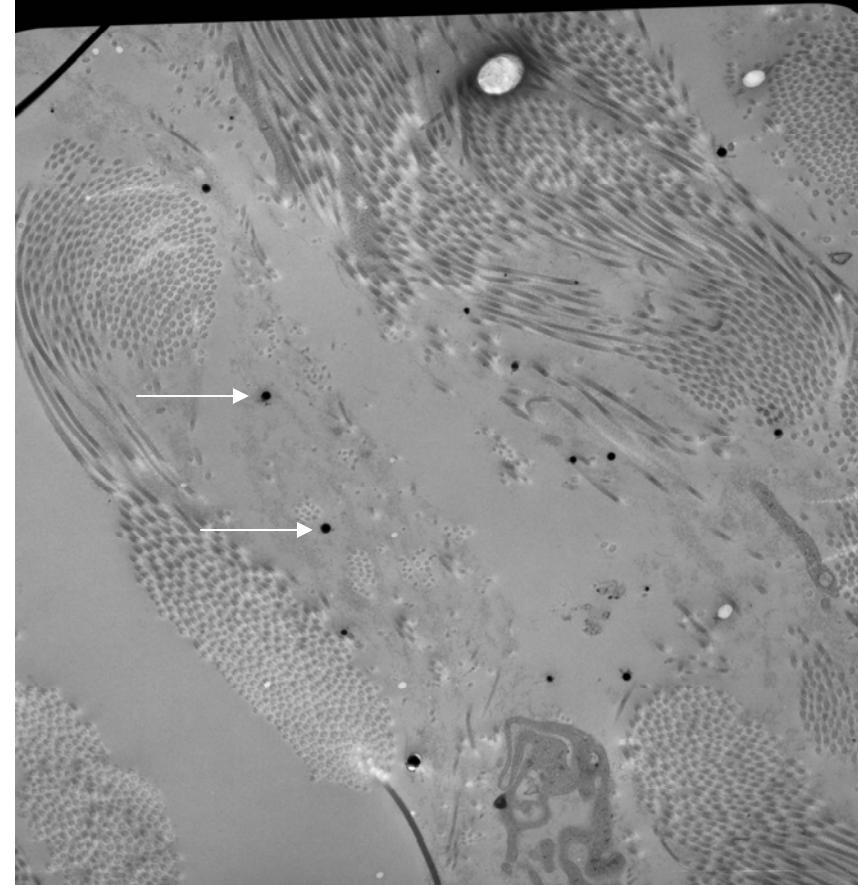
TEM on Tissue Biopsied 7 Hours Post Administration of CYT 6091 at
Dose of 87 μ g in Patient #1

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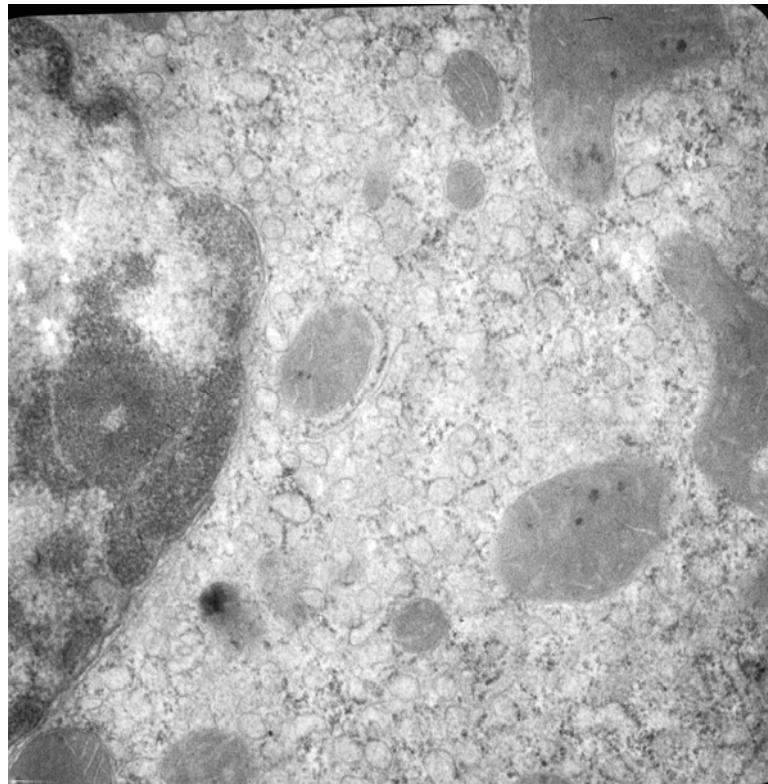
Normal Tissue

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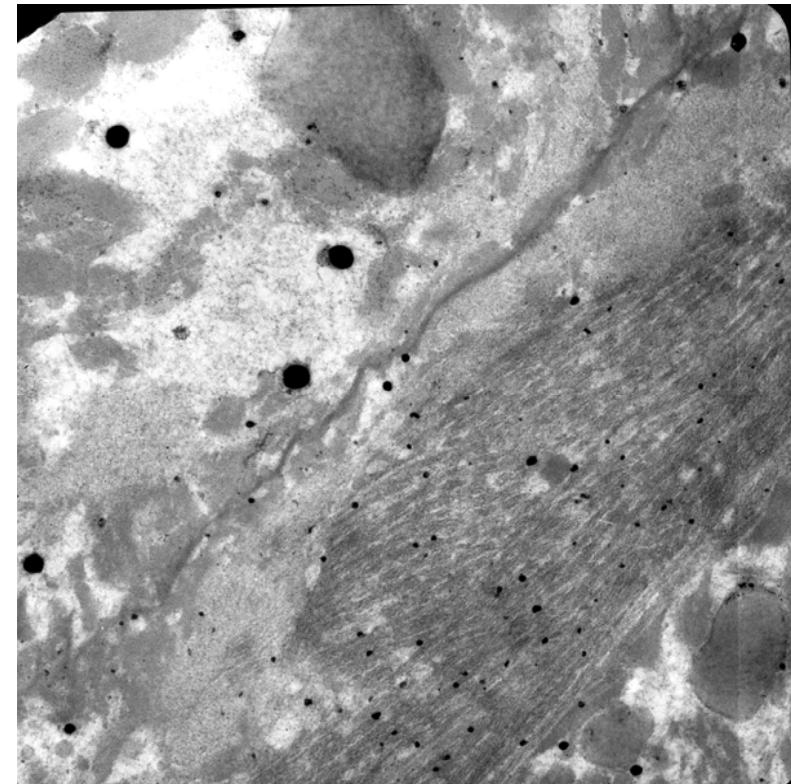


Tumor Tissue

TEM on Tissue Biopsied 24 Hours Post Administration of CYT 6091 at Dose of 225 mg in Patient #8



Normal Liver



Tumor

Summary

- CYT-6091 can be administered safely up to doses of $600 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ by systemic injection.
- One partial response was seen in a patient with stage IV ocular melanoma.
- Particles appeared to traffic to tumors selectively as determined by EM.
- Phase II trials of CYT-6091 combined with chemotherapy are planned.

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