

# Enhancement of Oncolytic Activity of oHSV Expressing IL-12 and Anti-PD-1 Antibody by Concurrent Administration of Exosomes Carrying CTLA-4 MiRNA



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## ABSTRACT

We report here the properties of 3 families of oHSV expressing no immunomodulatory genes (T1 series), murine or human IL-12 (T2 series) and murine or human IL-12 and anti-PD-1 antibody (T3 series).

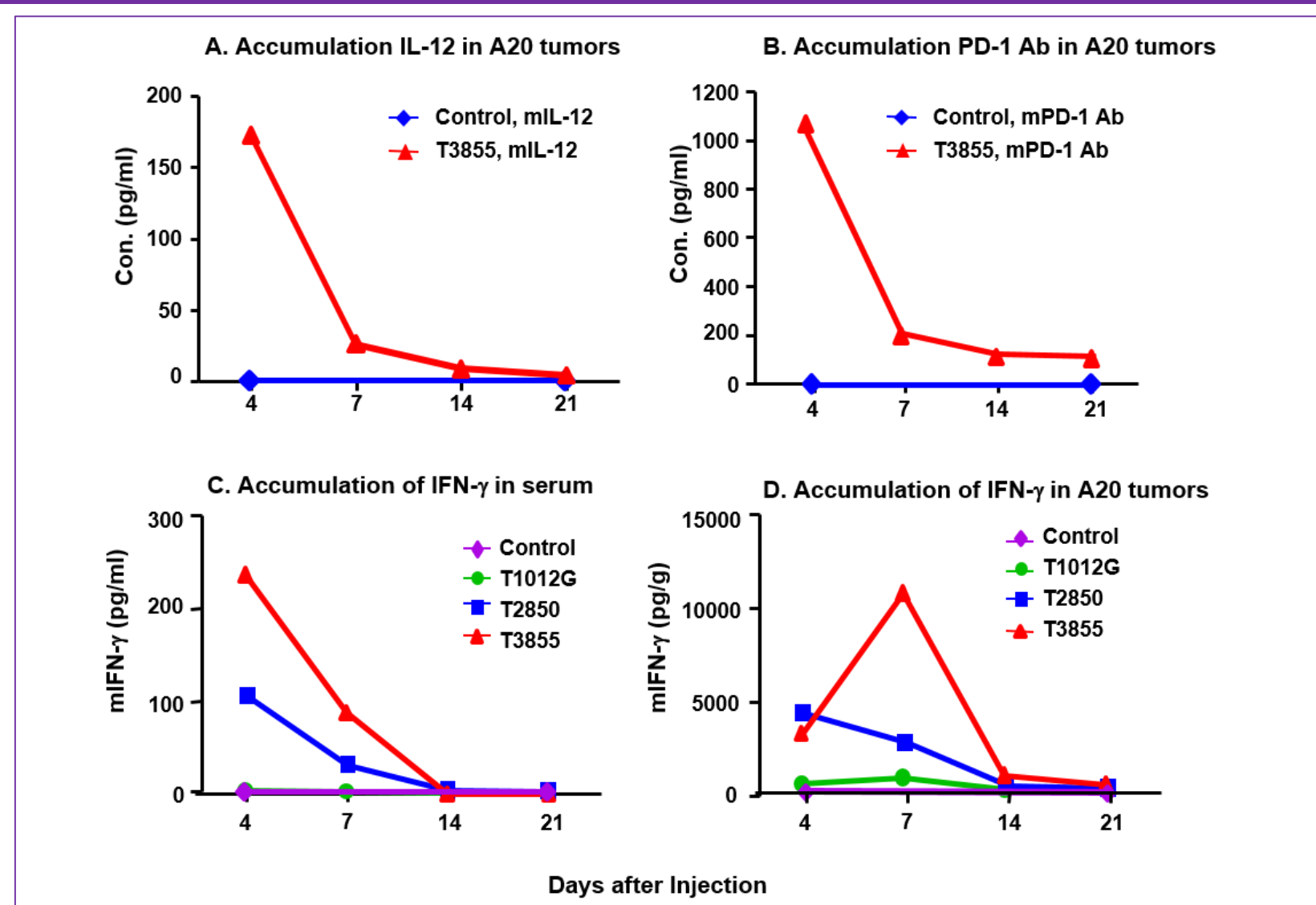
- 1) Insertion of the genes encoding PD-1 Ab and IL-12 significantly augmented the oncolytic activity of oHSV bereft of immune-stimulatory genes (T1 series).
- 2) In syngeneic mice the murine T3 oHSV induced significant intratumoral accumulation of IL-12, PD-1 Ab and IFN- $\gamma$  and was effective against a variety of murine tumors. Thus T3 oHSV concentrates the immunomodulatory products in the environment of the tumors thereby reducing the risk of toxicity associated with systemic administration.
- 3) T3 oHSV injected into tumors was more effective than systemic administration of anti PD-1 Ab and IL12 alone or in combination with intratumoral injection of T1 oHSV. T3 induces local and systemic immune response characterized by cytokine signature.
- 4) Oncolytic activity of T3 oHSV in a relatively resistant tumor was enhanced by concurrent intratumoral administration of genetically engineered exosomes carrying miRNA targeting CTLA-4 checkpoint

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## OBJECTIVES

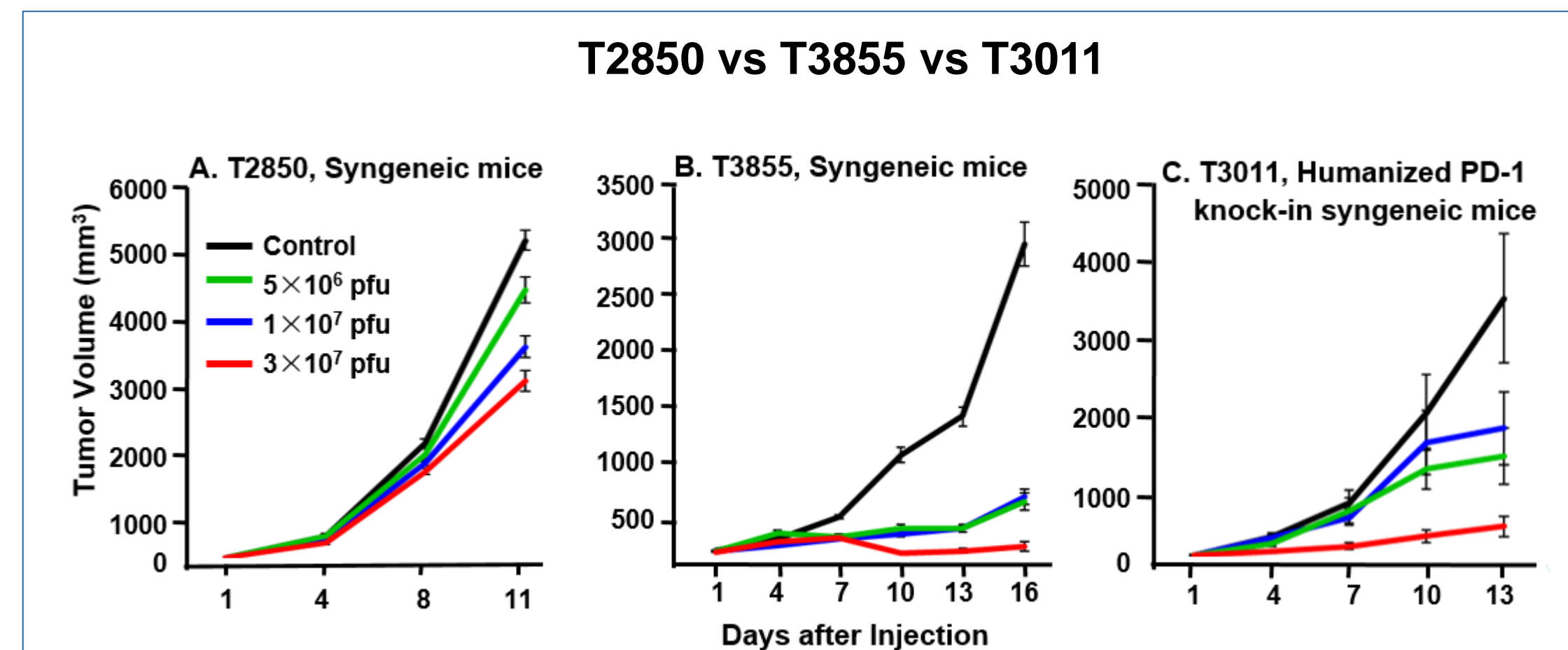
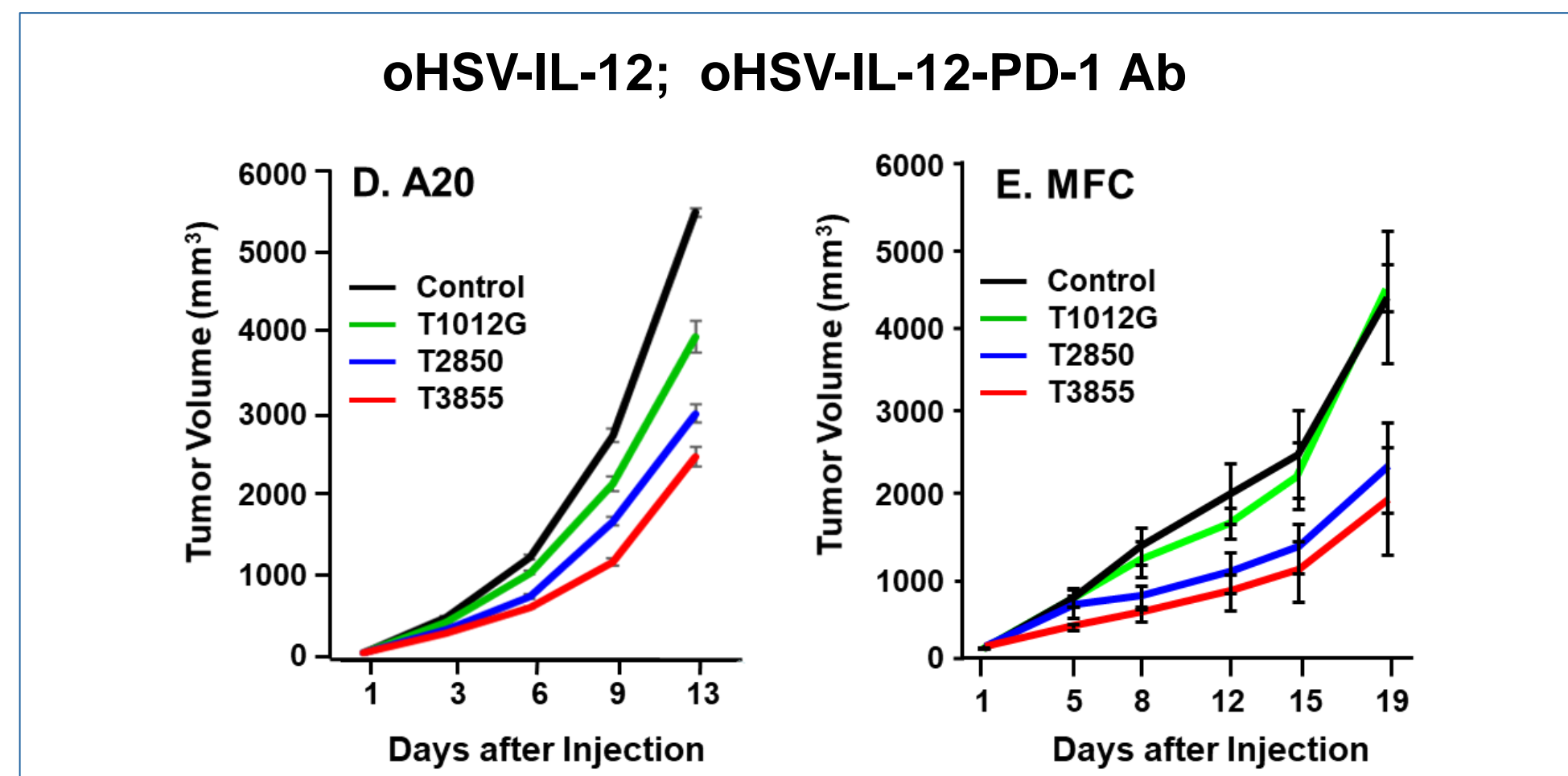
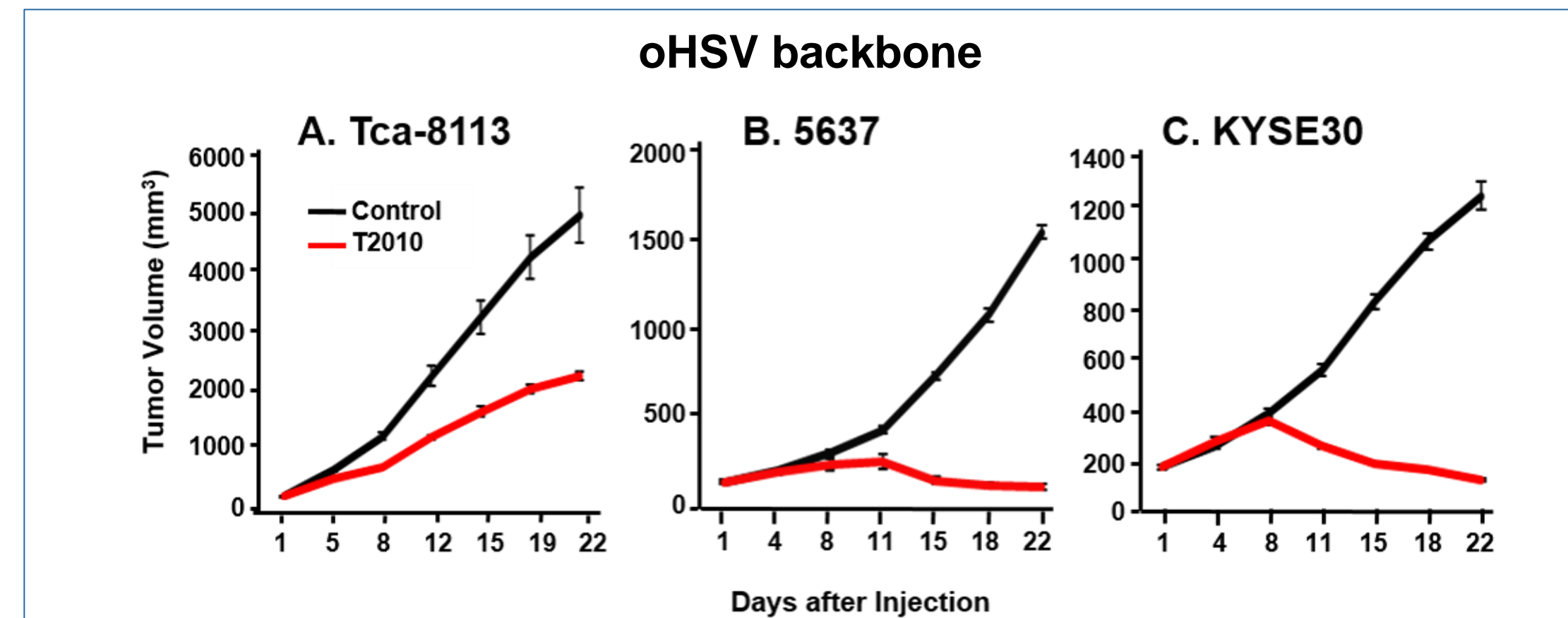
To test anti-tumor activities of new generation of oHSVs which reflect the marriage in a single therapeutic agent of three distinct cancer therapies by recombinant viruses: the targeting of cancer cells by the stimulation of immune system by IL-12 and the production of immunotherapeutic antibodies against PD-1. In addition, to test engineered exosomes carrying miRNA targeting CTLA-4 checkpoint as adjuvant therapy to increase anti-tumor efficacy of oHSV in relatively resistant tumors.

## Mechanisms of Anti-tumor Effects of oHSVs



## RESULTS

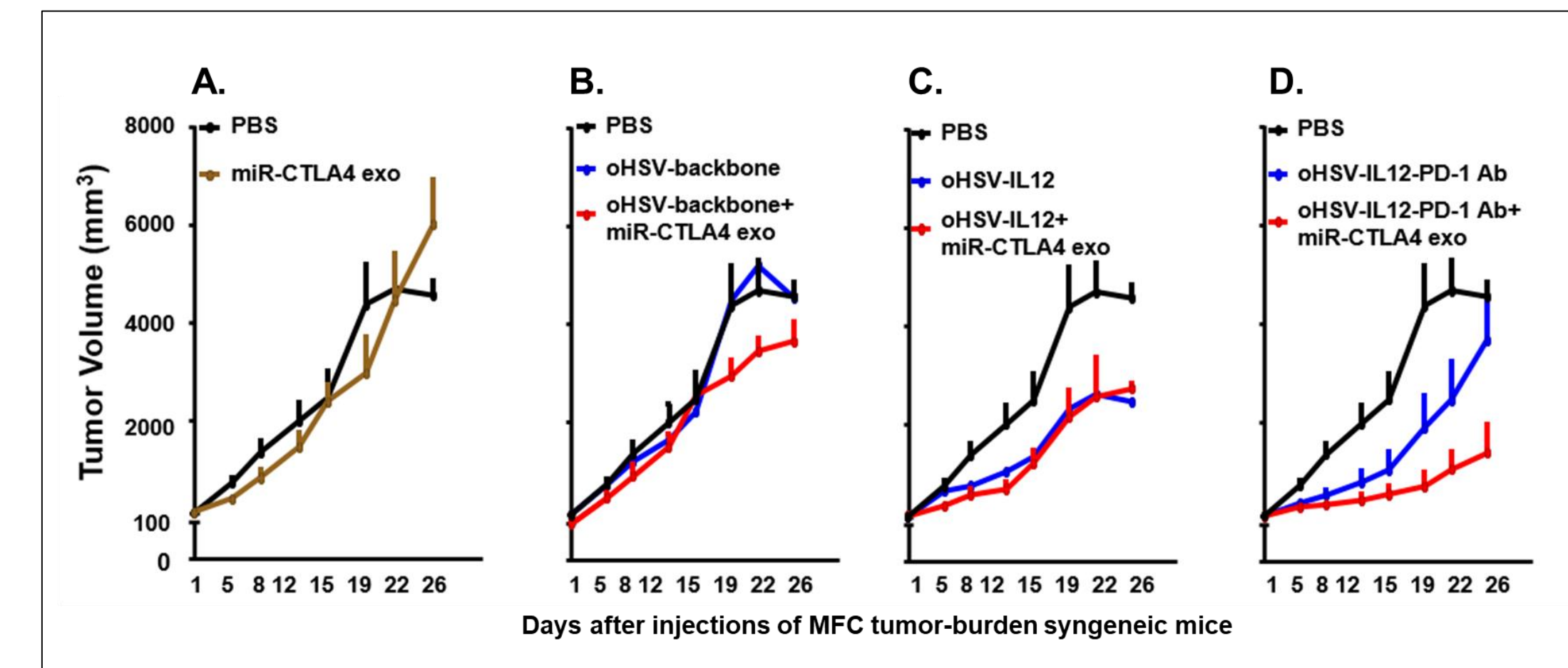
### The oncolytic activity of oHSVs



### Anti-tumor efficacy of oHSV, PD-1 Ab and IL-12

Group (N=6)	Average tumor volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )				
	D0	D3	D7	D10	D14
1 Control	101±6.0	336±68	725±137	1025±212	2248±557
2 Anti-PD-1 (1mg/kg)	109±8.1	307±53	585±87	1027±126	1836±200
3 IL-12 (0.1µg/animal)	103±6.3	321±90	794±273	1228±398	2269±715
4 Anti-PD-1+IL-12	105±7.4	131±42	241±106	400±179	1092±532
5 T1012G	110±5.7	231±79	466±212	556±240	1393±736
6 T3855	110±6.8	165±32	187±85	207±138	443±351
7 T1012G+Anti-PD-1+IL-12	109±6.4	242±44	295±107	386±184	1050±624

### Synergistic anti-tumor efficacy of oHSV combined with exosomes carrying miRNA against CTLA-4



## CONCLUSION

T3011 is combination of three distinct cancer therapies: the targeting of cancer cells by oncolytic viruses, IL-12 and PD-1 antibody. The significant finding reported in this article is that the anti-tumor responses remain concentrated in the tumor environment. Furthermore, the T3 oHSV was superior to systemic administration of IL-12 and antibody to PD-1. And oncolytic activity of T3 oHSV in a relatively resistant tumor was enhanced by concurrent intratumoral administration of genetically engineered exosomes carrying miRNA targeting CTLA-4 checkpoint.