# Remodeling Tumor Immune Microenvironment by Using Polymer-Lipid-Manganese Dioxide Nanoparticles with Radiation Therapy to **Boost Immune Response of Castration-Resistant Prostate Cancer**

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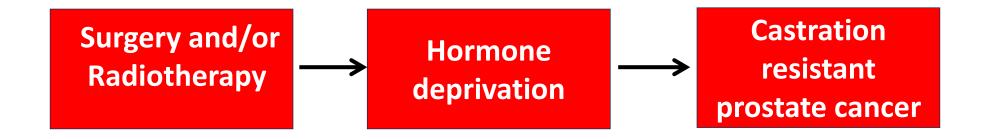
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### Prostate cancer statistics and treatment

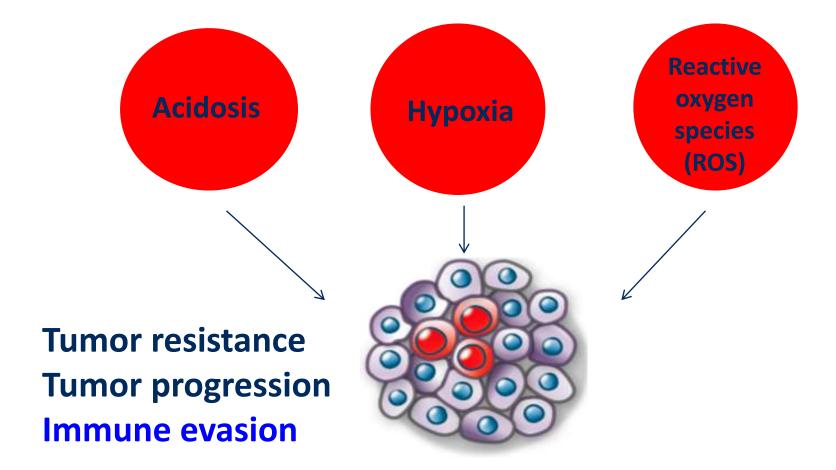
- the second most commonly occurring cancer in men
- the fifth leading cause of death worldwide
- ◆In 2022, 1.3 million new cases of prostate cancer worldwide



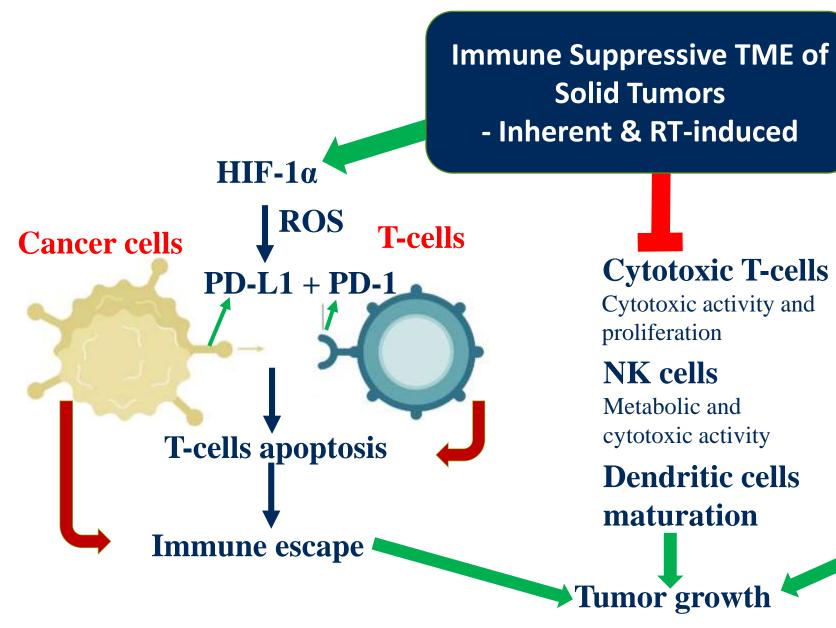
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#### Main features of tumor microenvironment



# Role of tumor microenvironment in tumor growth



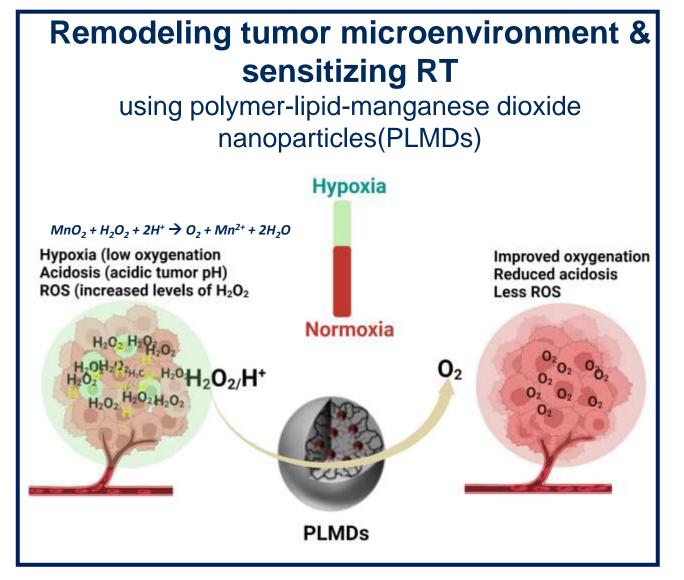
# Myeloid derived suppressor cells (MDSCs)

- Tumor recruitment
- Immunosuppression on NK and T cells

#### **Macrophages**

Polarizing macrophages toward M2-phenotype

### Our approaches to enhancing RT efficacy in solid tumors



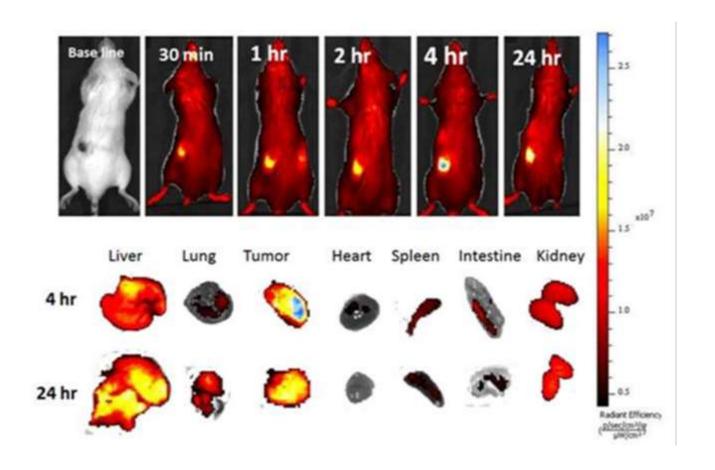
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# **Hypotheses**

#### We hypothesize that TME modulation using PLMDs could:

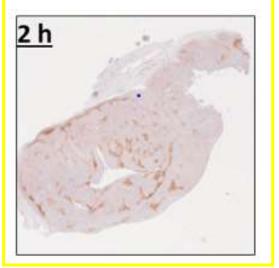
- ☐ Enhance radiation induced DNA damage response
- ☐ Improve immune response and enhance the efficacy of RT in castration resistant prostate cancer

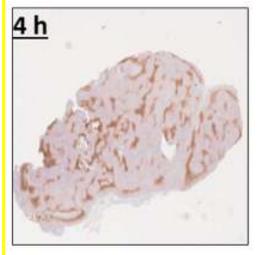
#### In vivo biodistribution of PLMD NPs.

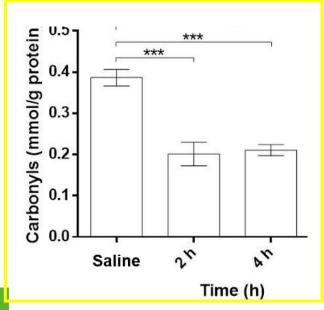


#### PLMDs reduced hypoxia and oxidative stress in PC3 tumor-bearing mice





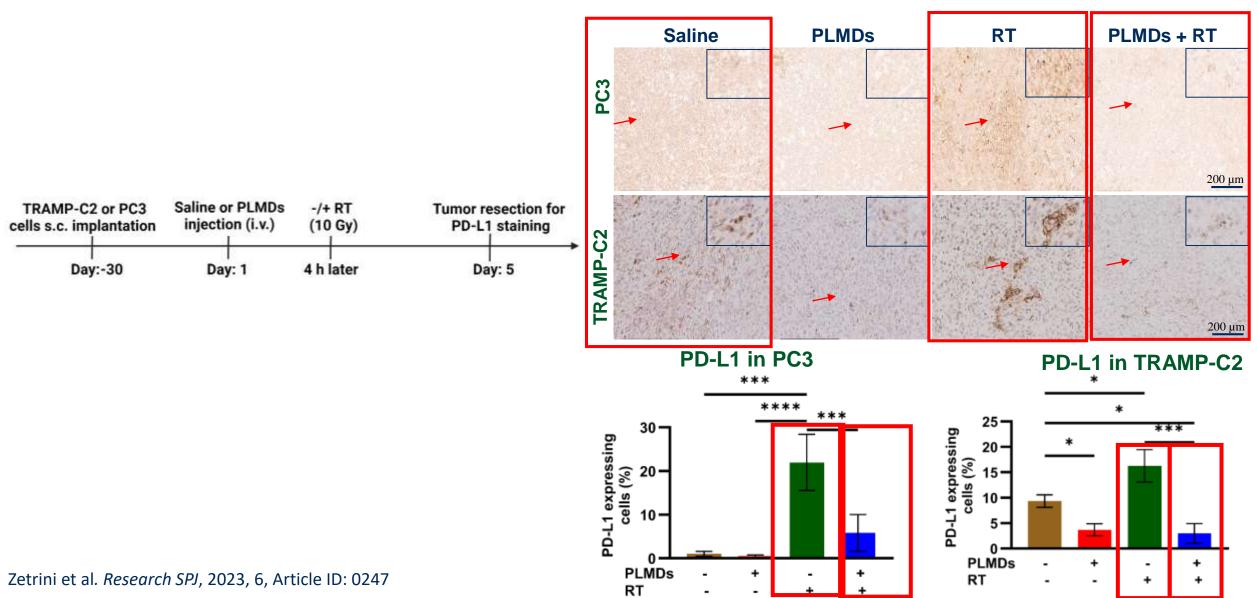




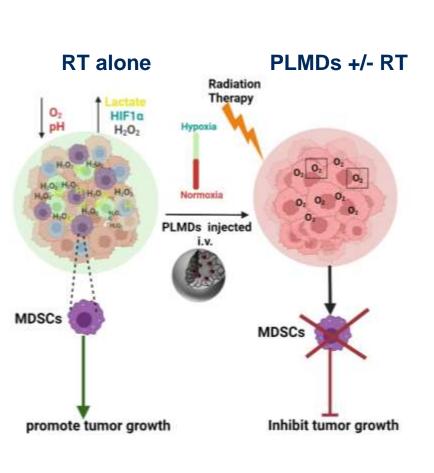


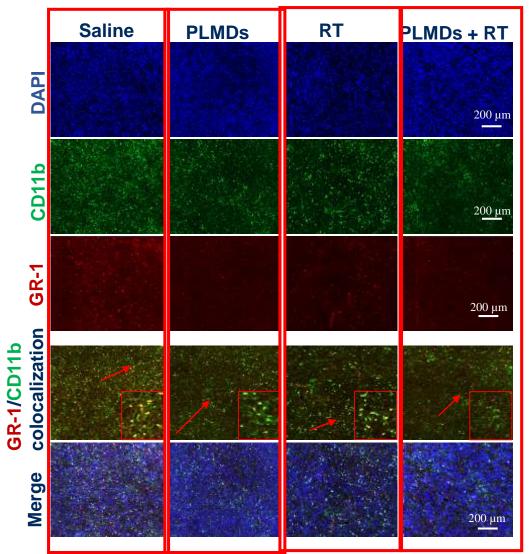
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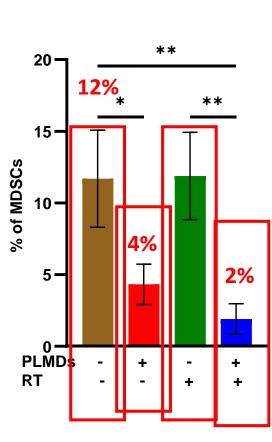
# Hypoxia downregulation by PLMDs reduced the expression of PD-L1 in PC3 and TRAMP-C2 tumors *in vivo*



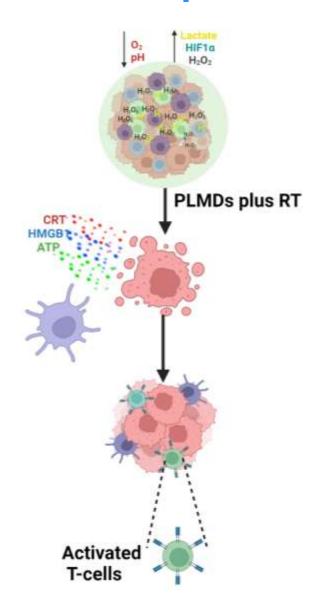
# TME Modulating PLMDs reduced while RT increased the recruitment of MDSCs into tumors

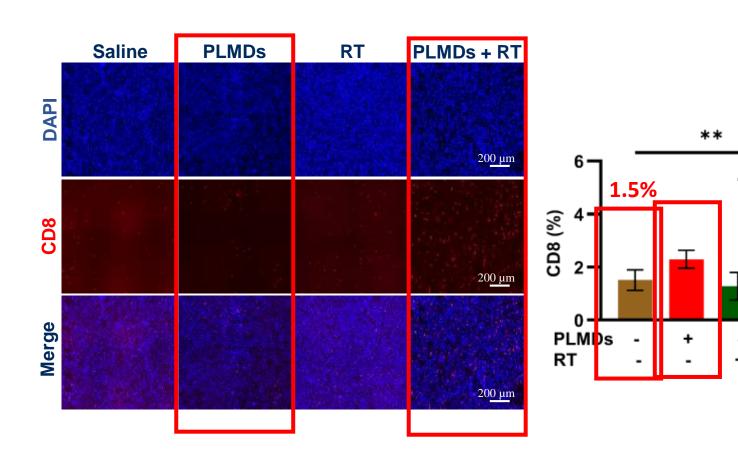






# PLMDs plus RT enhanced the infiltration of antitumor T- cells

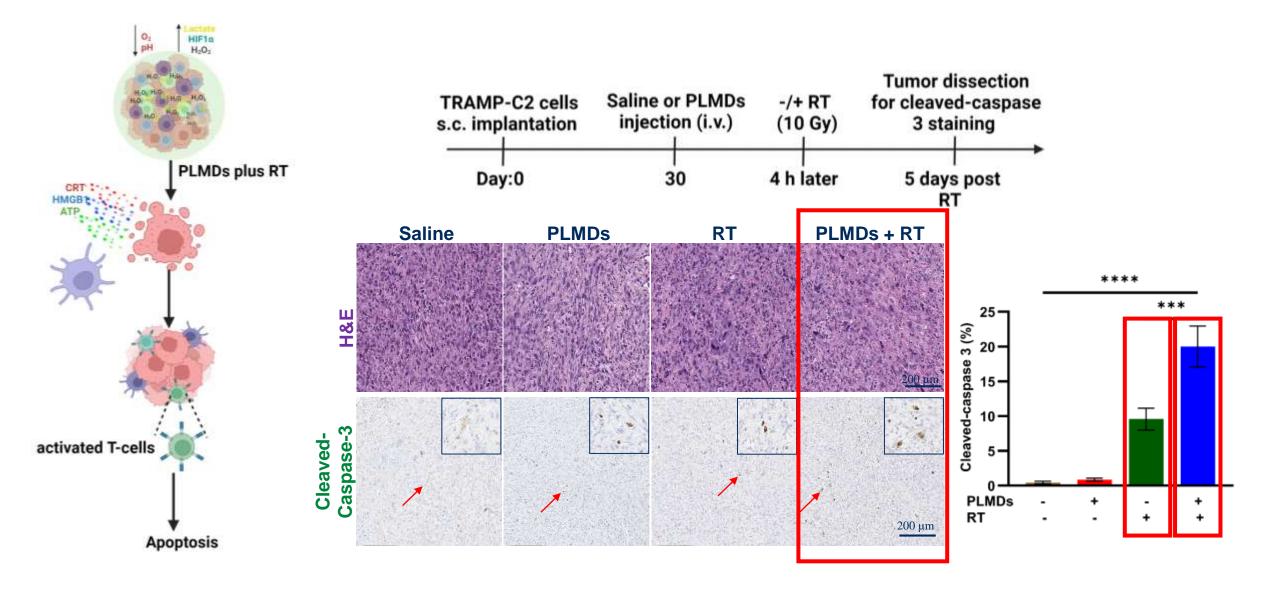




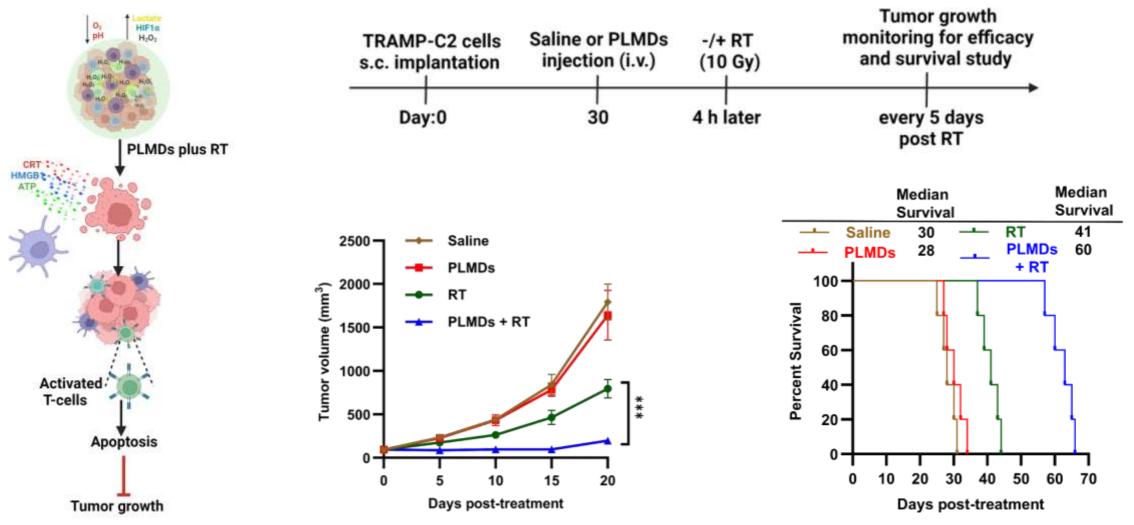
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# PLMDs plus RT induced apoptosis in TRAMP-C2 tumors



# PLMDs plus RT inhibited tumor growth and prolonged median survival of TRAMP-C2 tumor-bearing mice



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# **Summary**

- 1- i.v injection of PLMDs reoxygenate the tumor and ROS
- 2-i.v injection of PLMDs results in PD-L1 downregulation i.v
- 3-injection of PLMDs reduced MDSCs while increased
- infiltration of CTL in tumors, leading to apoptosis



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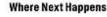
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