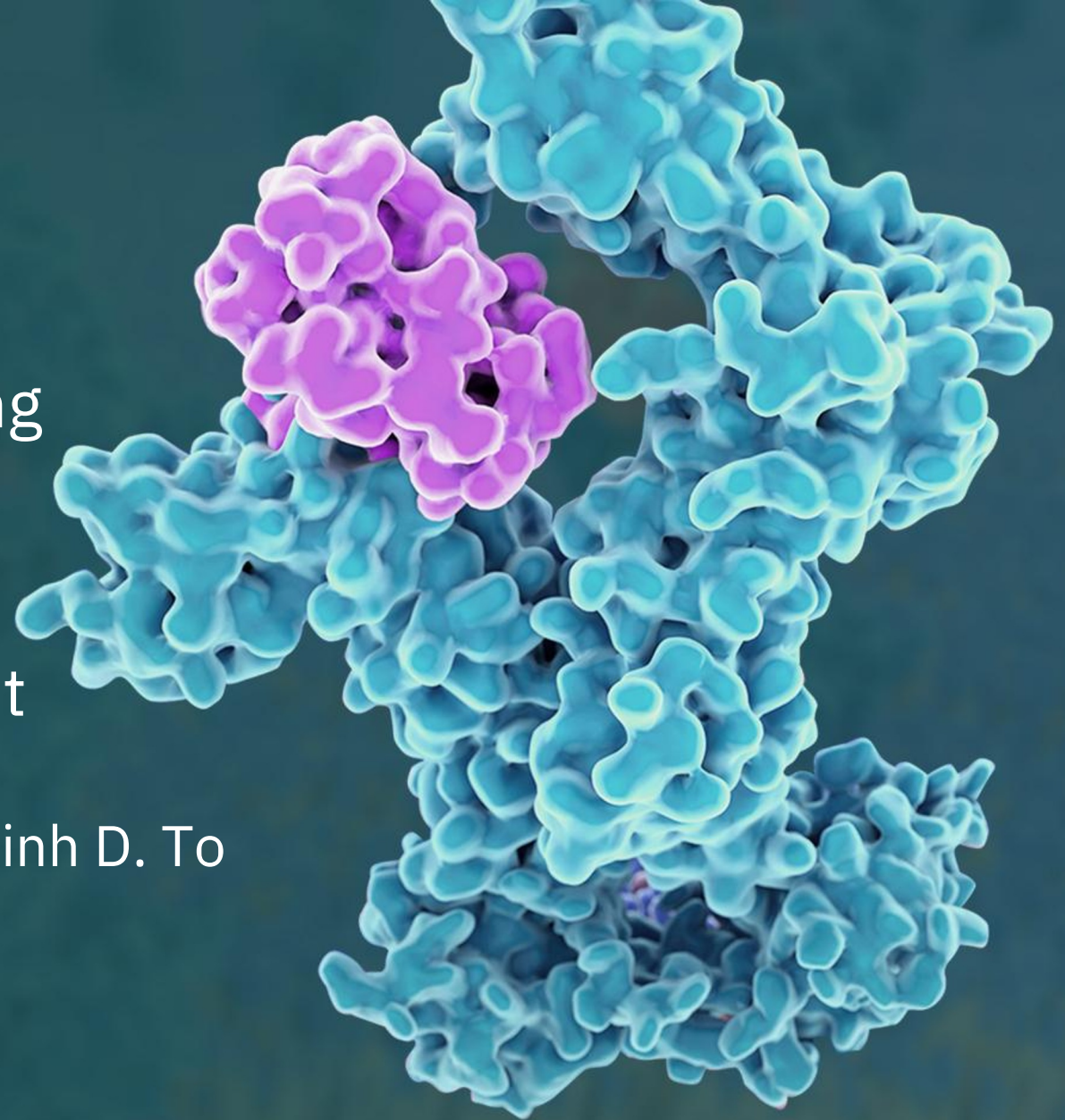


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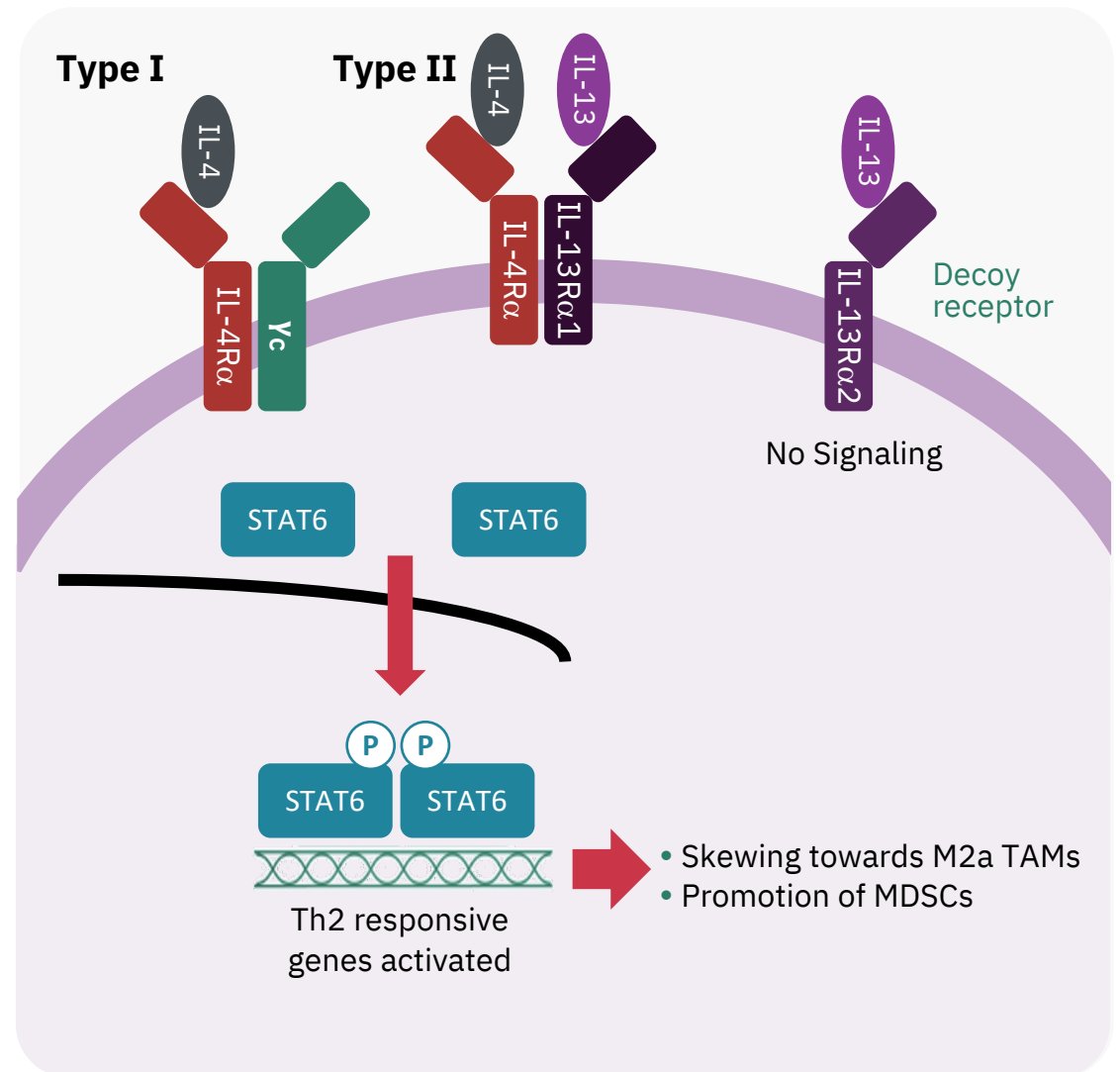
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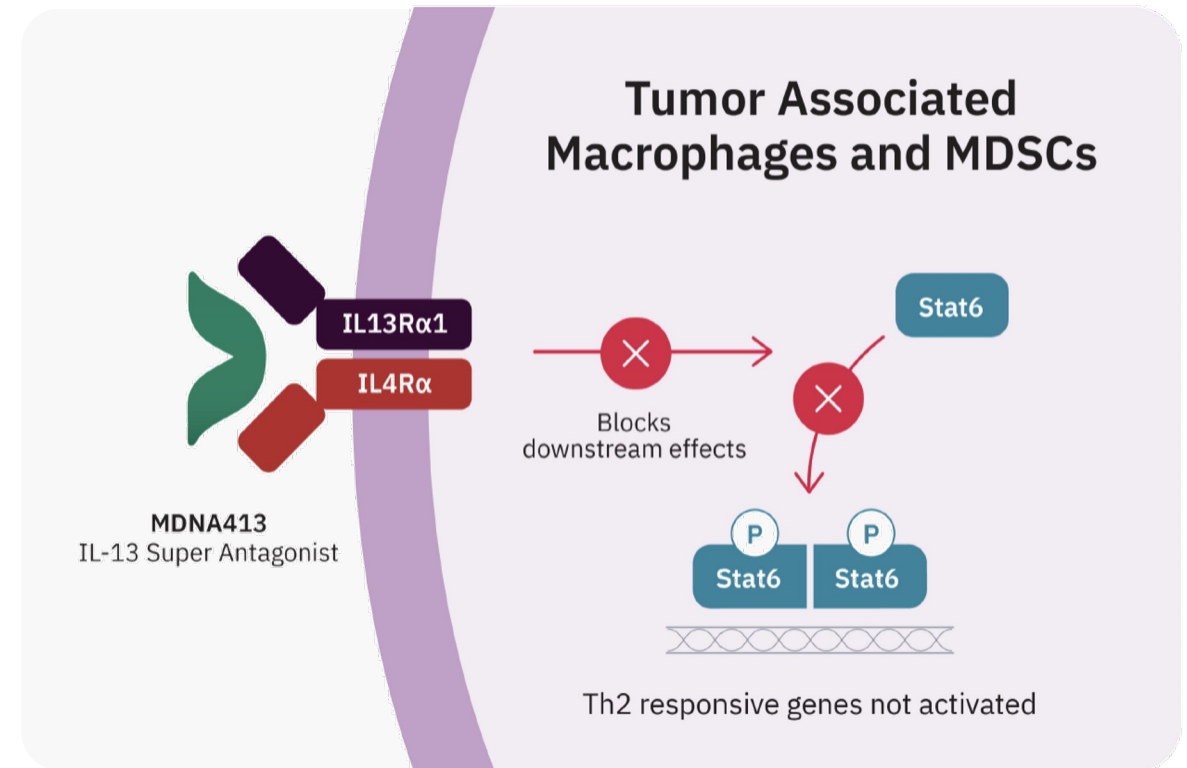
# Overview of IL-4/IL-13 Pathway in Cancer

- IL-4/IL-13 signals through Type I (IL-4R $\alpha$ / $\gamma$ c) and/or Type II (IL-4R $\alpha$ / IL-13R $\alpha$ 1) receptors to induce p-STAT6, triggering M2a skewing of Tumor Associated Macrophages (TAMs) and promoting Myeloid Derived Suppressor Cells (MDSCs)
- M2a TAMs and MDSCs foster an immune suppressive tumor microenvironment (TME) to support tumor growth by hindering anti-tumor immune effector cells
- IL-4/IL-13 can act autonomously on cancer cells to promote tumor growth and progression



# Proposed MOA of Fc-MDNA413, an IL-4/IL-13 Pathway Super-Antagonist

- MDNA413 is an IL-13 superkine that outcompetes wild-type IL-13 for binding to Type II (IL-4R $\alpha$ /IL-13R $\alpha$ 1) receptor and blocks downstream signaling
- Fusion of MDNA413 with human IgG Fc\* is designed to increase half-life for cancer immunotherapy by:
  - Blockade of M2a TAM skewing and MDSC expansion to reverse the immune suppressive TME and invigorate immune effector cells
  - Potentially block the direct effect of IL-4/IL-13 on tumor cells



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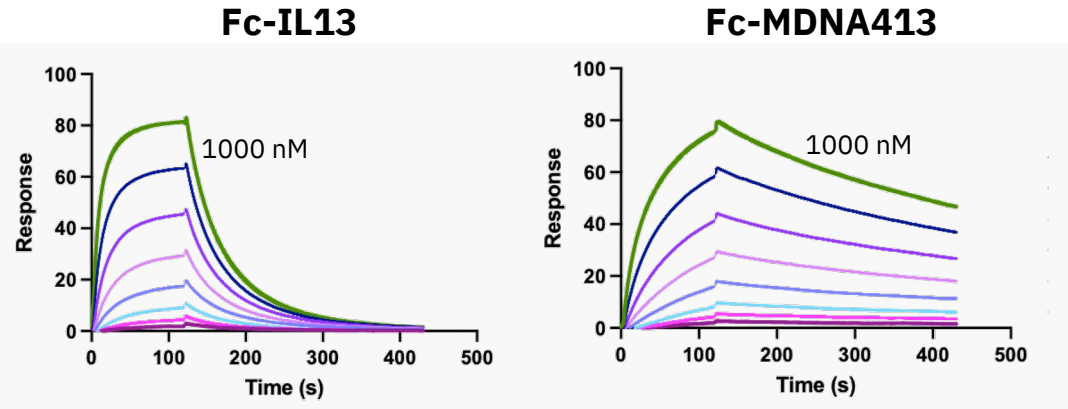


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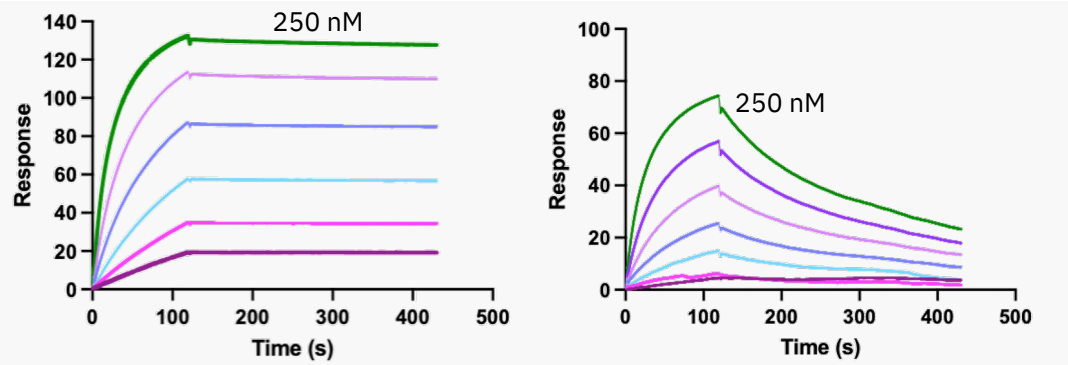
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# Fc-MDNA413 is Highly Selective Towards IL-13R $\alpha$ 1 With Reduced Affinity for IL-13R $\alpha$ 2

IL-13R $\alpha$ 1

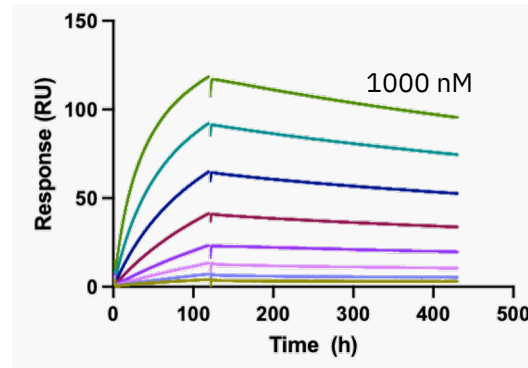


IL-13R $\alpha$ 2

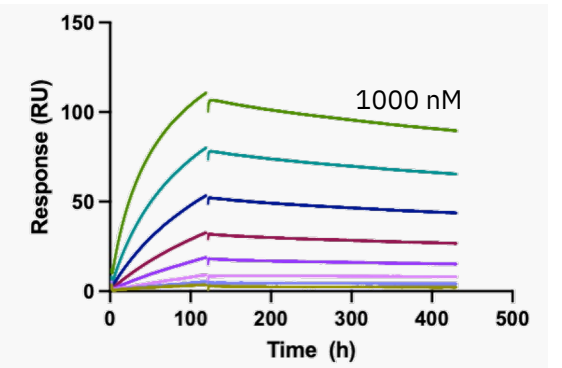


- IL-13 is highly selective for IL-13R $\alpha$ 2 over IL-13R $\alpha$ 1
- Fc-MDNA413 shows enhanced selectivity for IL-13R $\alpha$ 1 over IL-13R $\alpha$ 2 by >300 fold

Mouse IL-13R $\alpha$ 1



Cyno IL-13R $\alpha$ 1



K <sub>D</sub> (nM)	Fc-IL13	Fc-MDNA413	Fold change in Affinity
IL-13R $\alpha$ 1	202	18.1	11.1 $\uparrow$
IL-13R $\alpha$ 2	0.69	19.6	28.4 $\downarrow$

Fc-MDNA413	K <sub>D</sub> (nM)
Human IL-13R $\alpha$ 1	18.1
Mouse IL-13R $\alpha$ 1	25.5
Cyno IL-13R $\alpha$ 1	65.5

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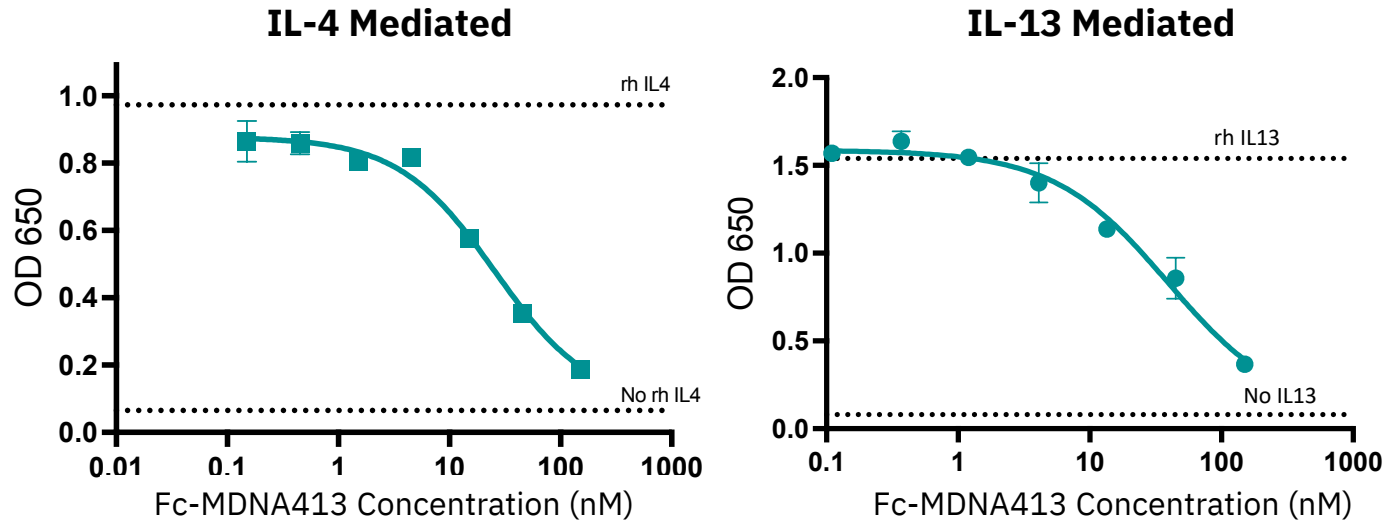


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# Fc-MDNA413 Inhibits Downstream Signaling and Function

## Inhibition of pSTAT6 Signaling in HEK Blue IL-4/IL-13 Reporter Assay System

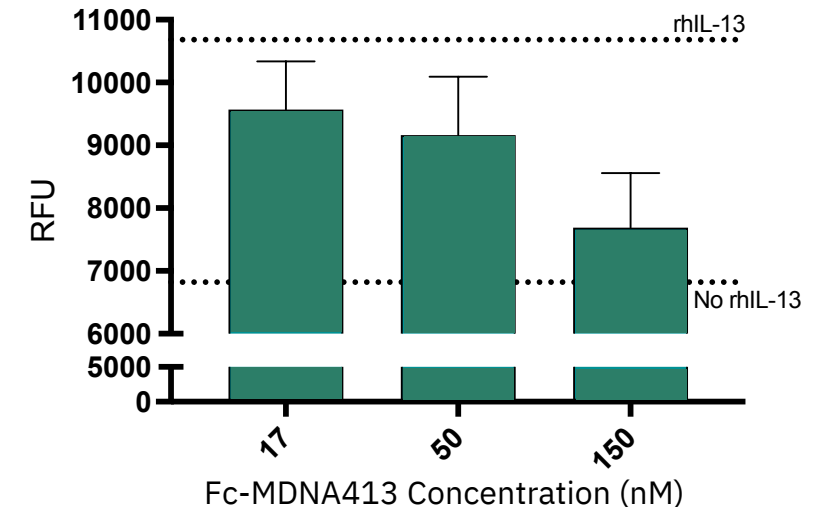


Fc-MDNA413	IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)
IL-4 Signaling	26.4
IL-13 Signaling	39

Assay performed in HEK Blue IL-4/IL-13 reporter cells (InvivoGen); Measurement of pSTAT6 activity. 0.1 nM of rh IL-4 and 0.8 nM of rh IL-13 was used in the competition assay format

## Inhibition of TF-1 Proliferation

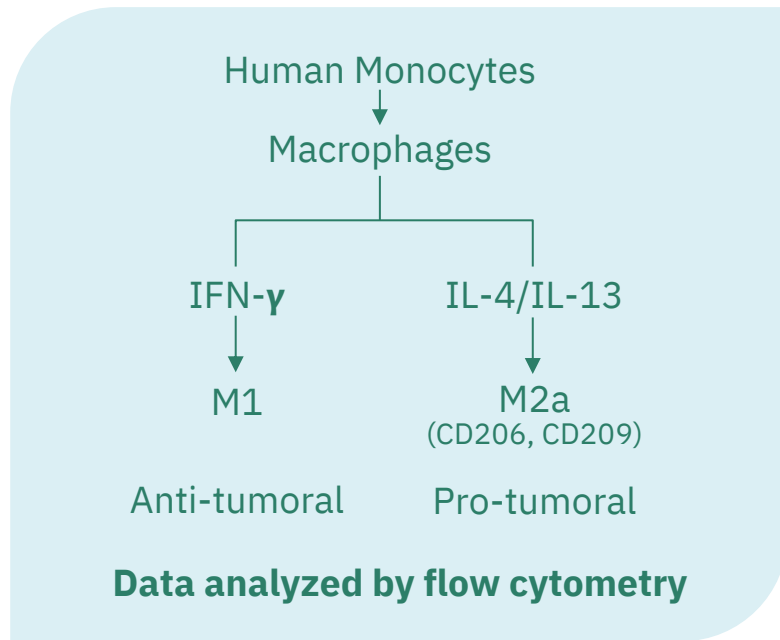
- TF-1 is a human erythro-leukemia cell line that is highly dependent on IL-4/IL-13 for proliferation.
- Inhibition of IL-13 Induced TF-1 Proliferation.



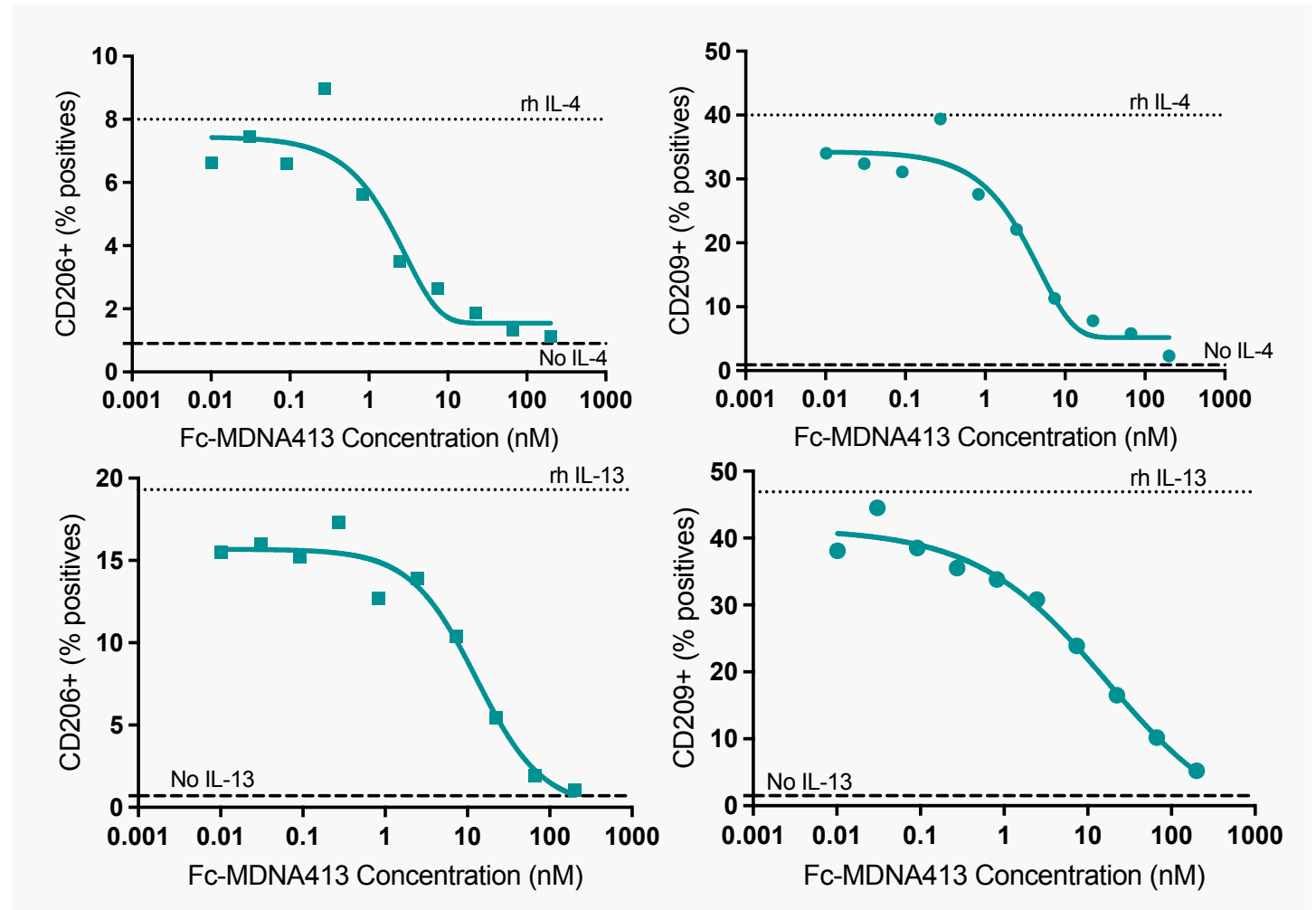


# Fc-MDNA413 Inhibits IL-4 and IL-13 Mediated M2a Polarization

## Reduction in Surface Expression of M2a markers, CD206 and CD209



Fc-MDNA413	CD206 IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	CD209 IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)
IL-4 mediated M2 polarization	1.76	3.2
IL-13 mediated M2 polarization	12.7	11.9

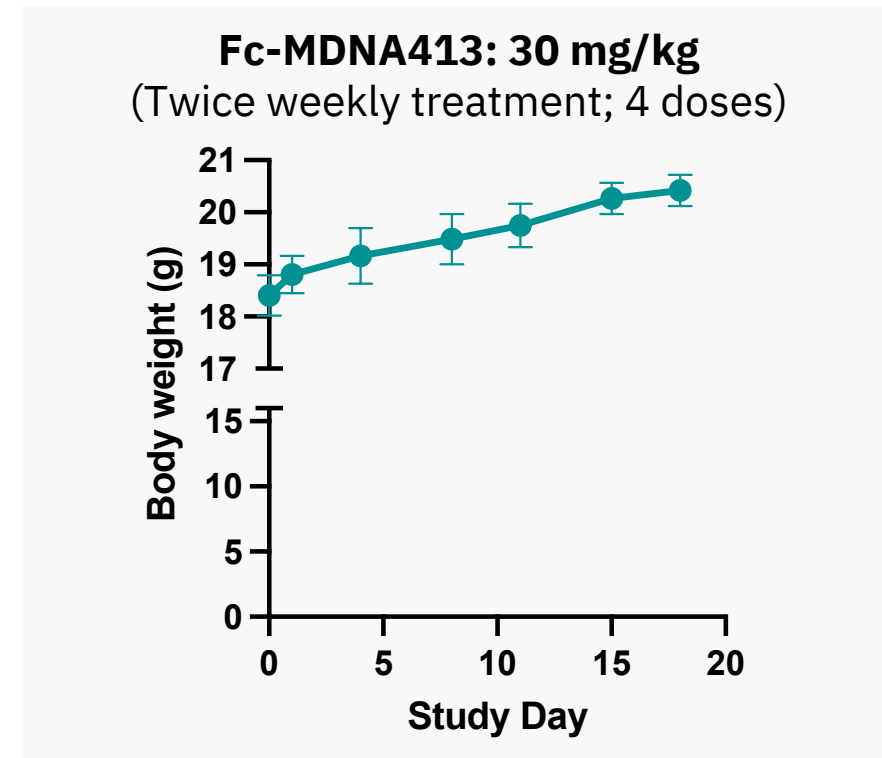
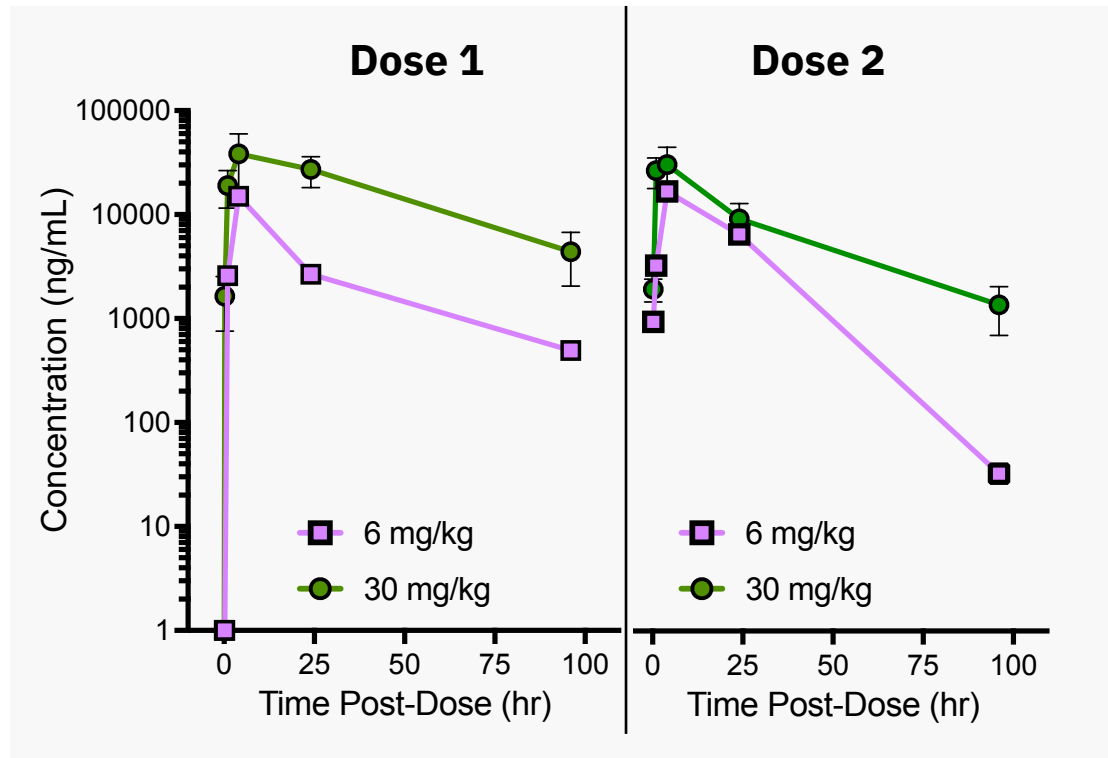


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# PK Profile in Mice Shows Sustainable Serum Exposure on Repeat Dosing

- Dose-dependent increase in exposure
- Serum exposure maintained > 1000 ng/mL on a twice weekly IP dosing schedule at 30 mg/kg
- Treatment well tolerated; mice showed steady weight gain



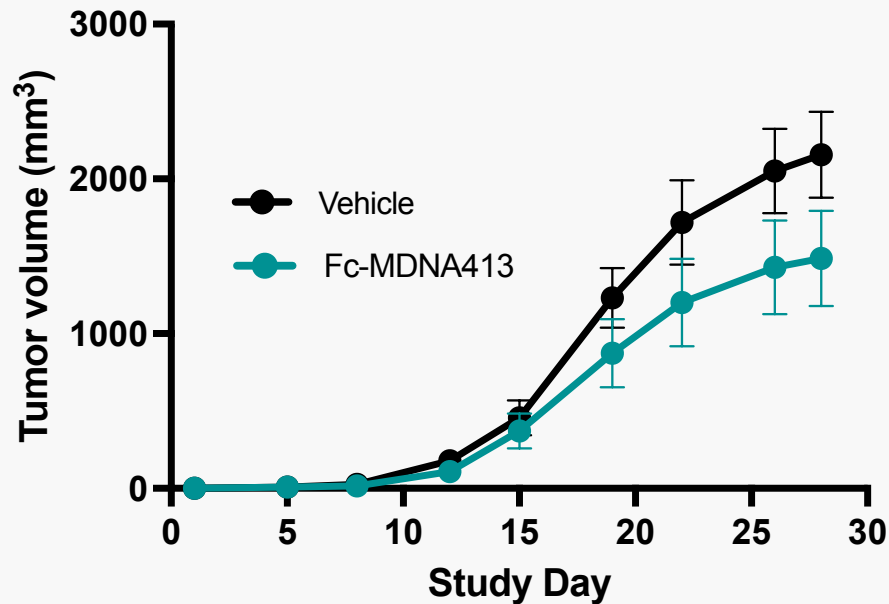
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# Fc-MDNA413 Demonstrates Single-Agent Efficacy in Syngeneic Tumor Models

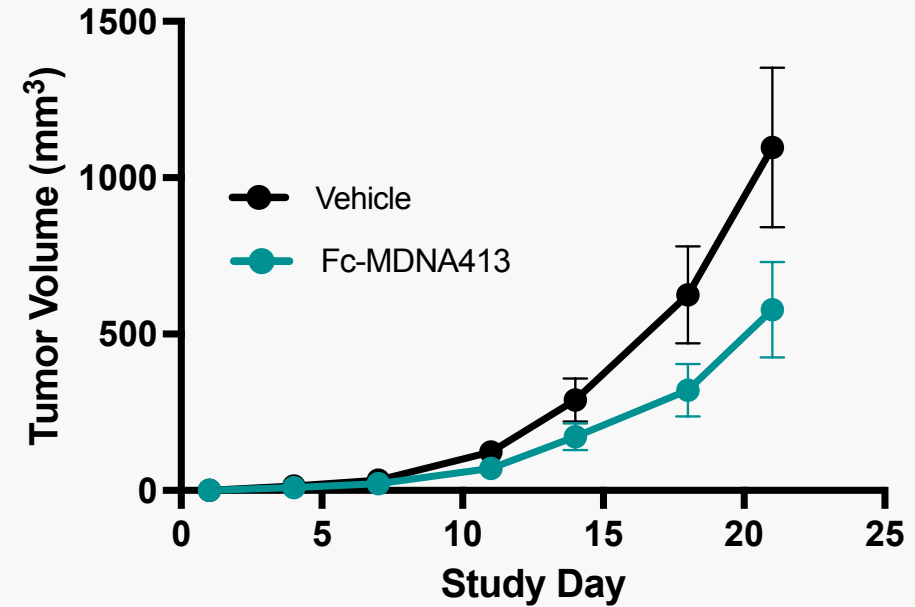
## B16F10

Aggressive melanoma model with low mutation burden (poorly immunogenic) and high infiltration of TAMs and MDSC



## CT26

Immunogenic colon carcinoma model infiltrated with TAMs and MDSC



Tumor bearing mice were treated with either Fc-MDNA413 30 mg/kg twice weekly x 3 post 3 days of cell implantation

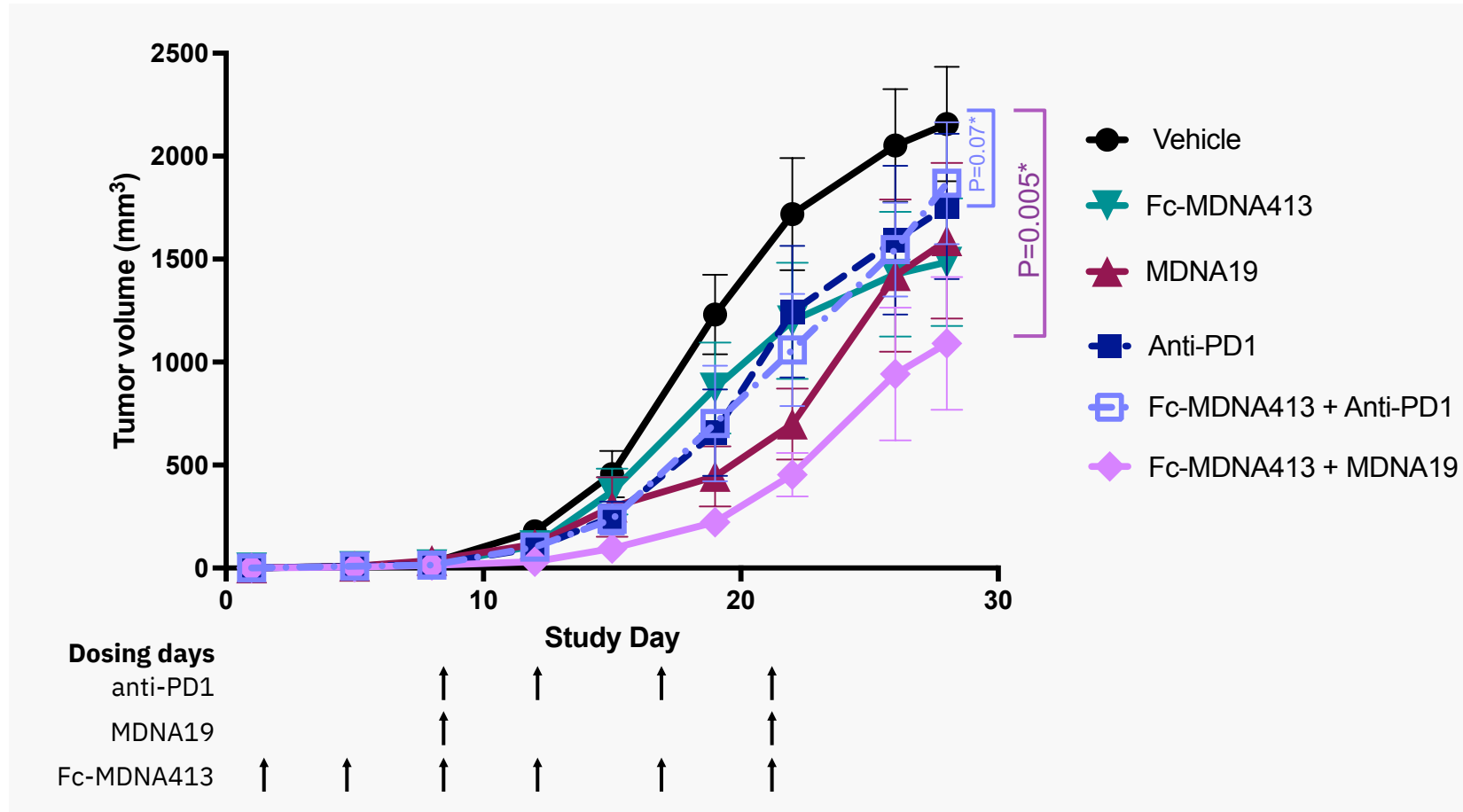


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# Fc-MDNA413 Shows Synergy With a Long-Acting IL-2 Super-Agonist (MDNA19) in B16F10 Melanoma Model



- Fc-MDNA413: Inhibits M2a TAMs and MDSCs
- MDNA19: Potentiates immune effector cells (CD8<sup>+</sup> T and NK cells)

Tumor bearing mice were treated with either Fc-MDNA413 30 mg/kg twice weekly x 3 post 3 days of cell implantation or MDNA19 5 mg/kg once weekly X 2 IP, a week after Fc-MDNA413 dosing, or anti-PD1 10 mg/kg twice weekly x 2 IP, a week after Fc-MDNA413 dosing



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# Summary

- **IL-13 Super-Antagonist, Fc-MDNA413 Superkine shows:**
  - Selectivity towards IL-13R $\alpha$ 1 across species and blocks IL-4 / IL-13 mediated function (pSTAT6 signaling, TF-1 proliferation and M2a polarization of macrophages).
- **PK profile demonstrates sustainable serum exposure at a dose that is well tolerated.**
- **Fc-MDNA413 exhibits tumor growth inhibition in B16F10 melanoma and CT26 colon carcinoma model**
- **Fc-MDNA413 synergizes with an IL-2 agonist (MDNA19) to inhibit *in vivo* tumor growth**
  - Fc-MDNA413 suppresses the Th2 immune response while MDNA19 enhances the Th1 immune response to act in conjunction resulting in enhanced efficacy.
- **These data highlight the potential synergy of co-targeting suppressive and effector immune cells within otherwise ‘immunologically cold’ TME to achieve effective therapeutic efficacy.**

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