Letter to the Editor

Tumor Growth Control with IDO-Silencing Salmonella —Letter

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Blache and colleagues (1) state “Although previous studies in mice have observed modest tumor control with administration of attenuated Salmonella typhimurium (S. typhimurium) alone, it has proven to be less effective in more aggressive tumor models. Moreover, in clinical trials using the S. typhimurium strain VNP20009 for treatment of metastatic melanoma, minimal tumor S. typhimurium colonization was observed, which ultimately resulted in no measurable regression. Thus, improving S. typhimurium tumor colonization will likely enhance its therapeutic efficacy.”

The S. typhimurium A1-R strain developed by our laboratory has high tumor colonization efficacy and antitumor efficacy.

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