

Background

- In vivo* data indicate SGLT2 plays a role in the development of NSCLC.
- SGLT2 inhibitors are associated with a lower incidence of cancer development.
- Aim:** Characterize the genomic and immunological landscape of tumors with high and low expression of SGLT2-coding gene *SLC5A2* in NSCLC [adenocarcinoma (AC) or squamous cell carcinoma (SCC) histology] and the relationship with clinical outcomes.

Methods

- NSCLC tumors of AC (N = 11,725) or SCC (N = 4,158) histology were tested at Caris Life Sciences (Phoenix, AZ) with NextGen Sequencing on DNA (592 genes or whole exome) and RNA (whole transcriptome).
- Tumors were divided by *SLC5A2* expression quartiles based of expression in all NSCLC tumors (Q4: *SLC5A2*-H, Q1: *SLC5A2*-L).
- PD-L1 expression (22C3; Positive (+): TPS ≥1%) was assessed by IHC.
- High tumor mutational burden (TMB-H) was defined as ≥10 mutations/MB.
- Mutations were defined as pathogenic SNVs/indels. *SLC5A2*-H and -L expression (transcripts per million) was defined as top and bottom quartile, respectively.
- A transcriptomic signature predictive of response to immunotherapy was applied (T cell-inflamed; Bao, 2020).
- The Mann-Whitney U test was applied as appropriate, with P-values adjusted for multiple comparisons (p < .05).
- Real-world overall survival (OS) data was obtained from insurance claims and Kaplan-Meier estimates were calculated for molecularly defined subpopulations of patients (N = 13,505).

Histology	<i>SLC5A2</i> Q1	<i>SLC5A2</i> Q2	<i>SLC5A2</i> Q3	<i>SLC5A2</i> Q4	Statistic	q-value
Adenocarcinoma	46% (2487/5401)	50% (2726/5401)	55% (2994/5400)	65% (3518/5401)	Fisher's Exact	0.00
Squamous cell carcinoma	25% (1331/5401)	22% (1194/5401)	19% (1023/5400)	11% (610/5401)	Fisher's Exact	0.00
Other	29% (1583/5401)	27% (1481/5401)	26% (1383/5400)	24% (1273/5401)	Fisher's Exact	0.00

Table 1: Cohort makeup by histology and *SLC5A2* expression quartile.

Results

1. Genomic Landscape:

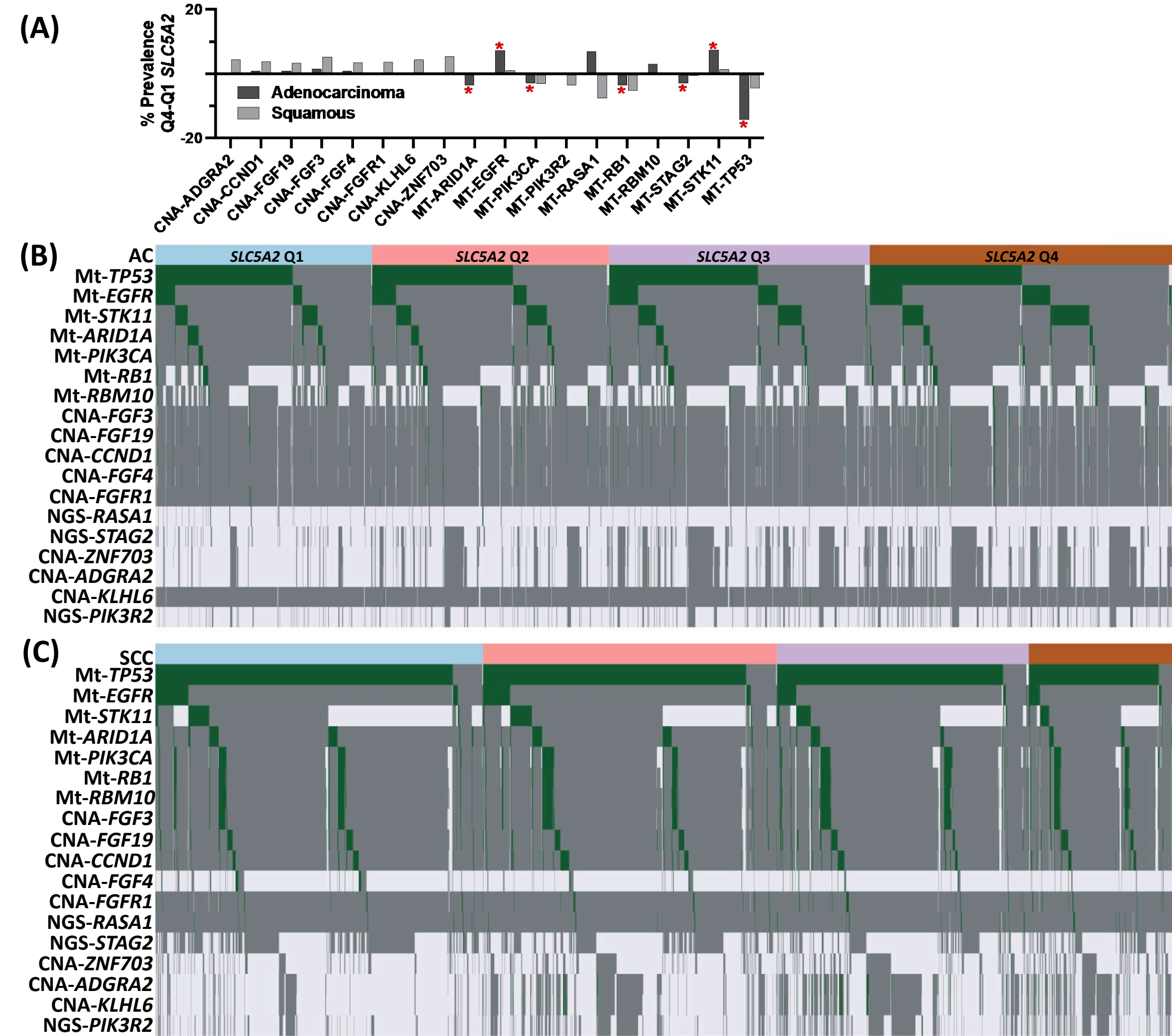


Figure 1: (A) Prevalence of gene alterations with a greater than 3% difference in prevalence between Q1 and Q4 of *SLC5A2* expression (asterisk indicates significance, q < 0.05). Oncoprint for AC (B) and SCC (C) histology.

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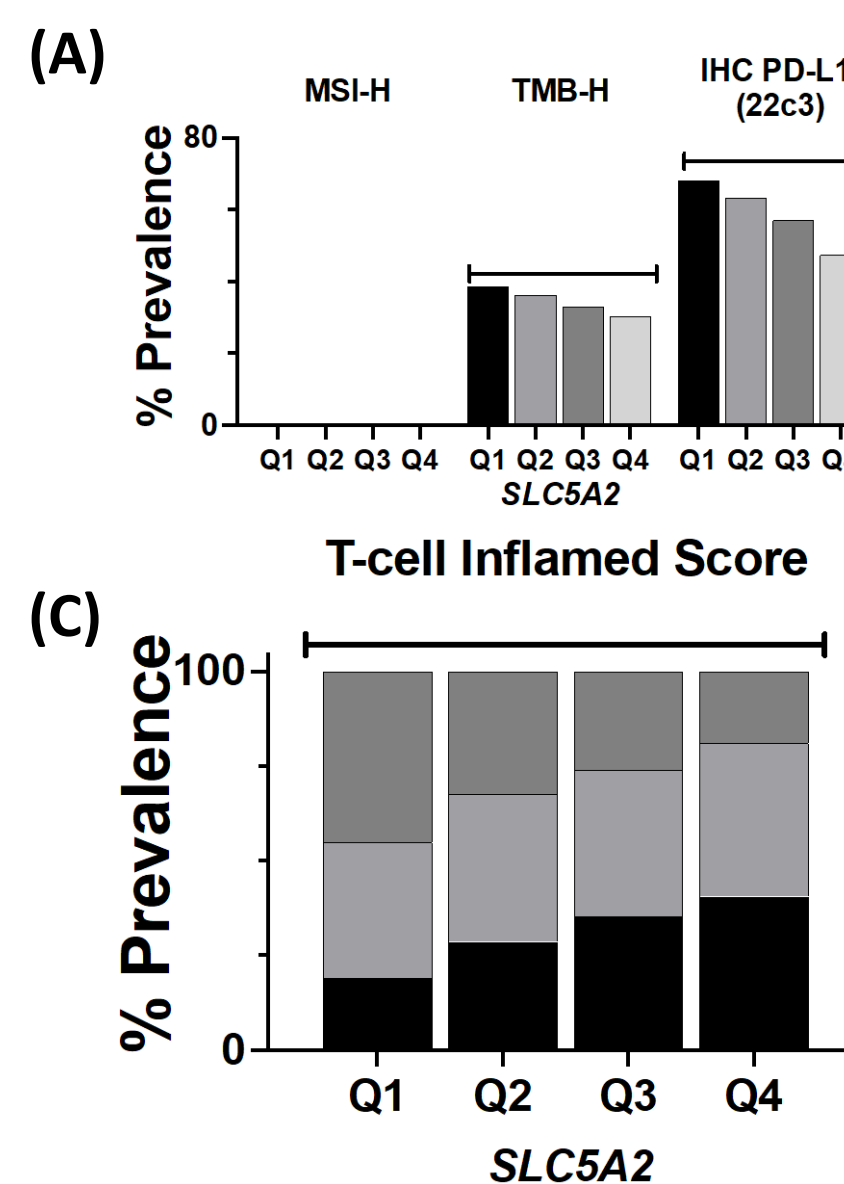
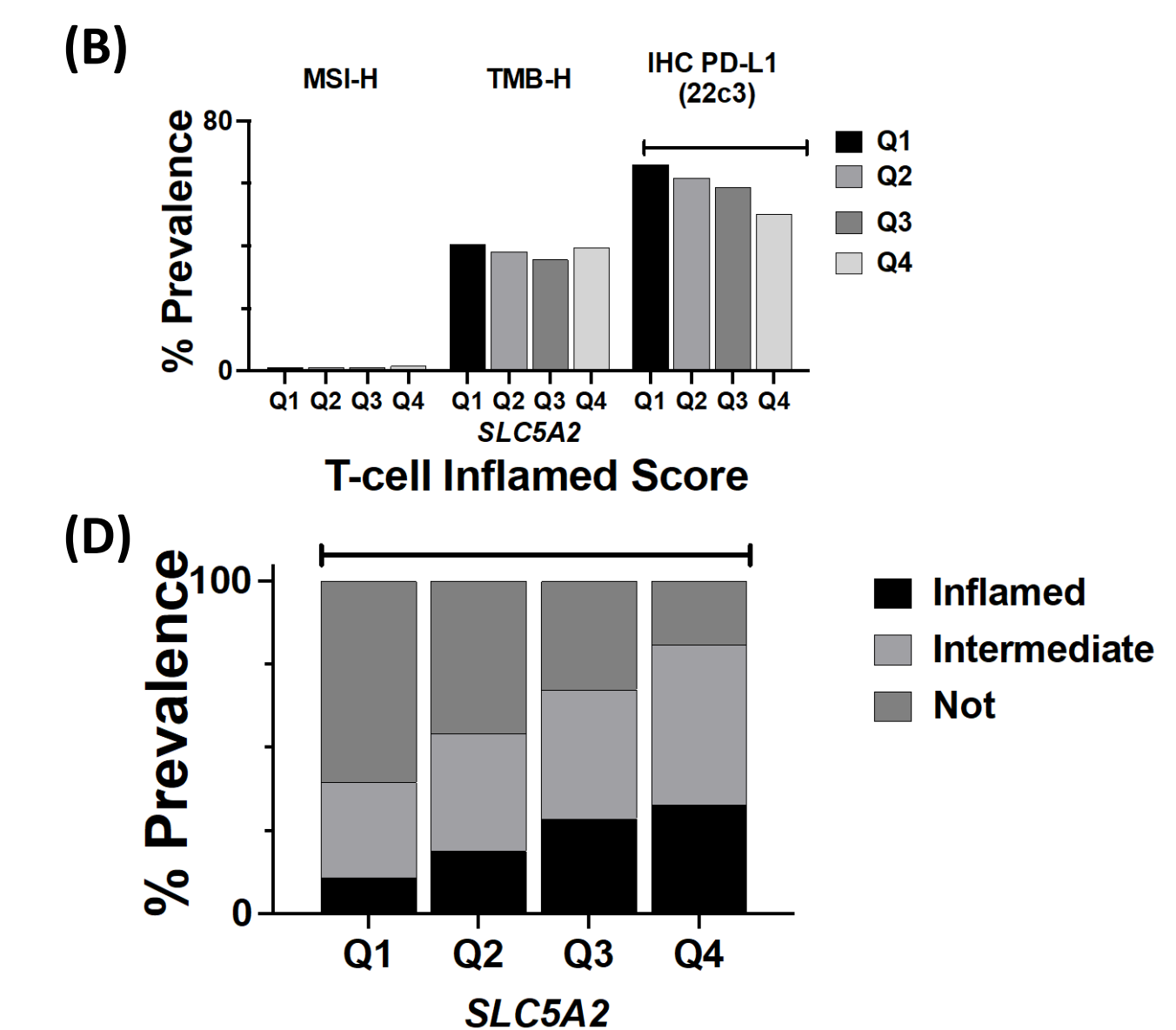


Figure 2: Prevalence of immune biomarkers for AC (A) and SCC (B) tumors. Prevalence of inflamed tumors (more immunotherapy responsive per the T cell-inflamed score) for AC (C) and SCC (D) tumors (asterisk indicates significance, q < 0.05).

HR	Interpretation
2	Higher hazard for <i>SLC5A2</i> -H
1	Reference
0.5	Less hazard for <i>SLC5A2</i> -H

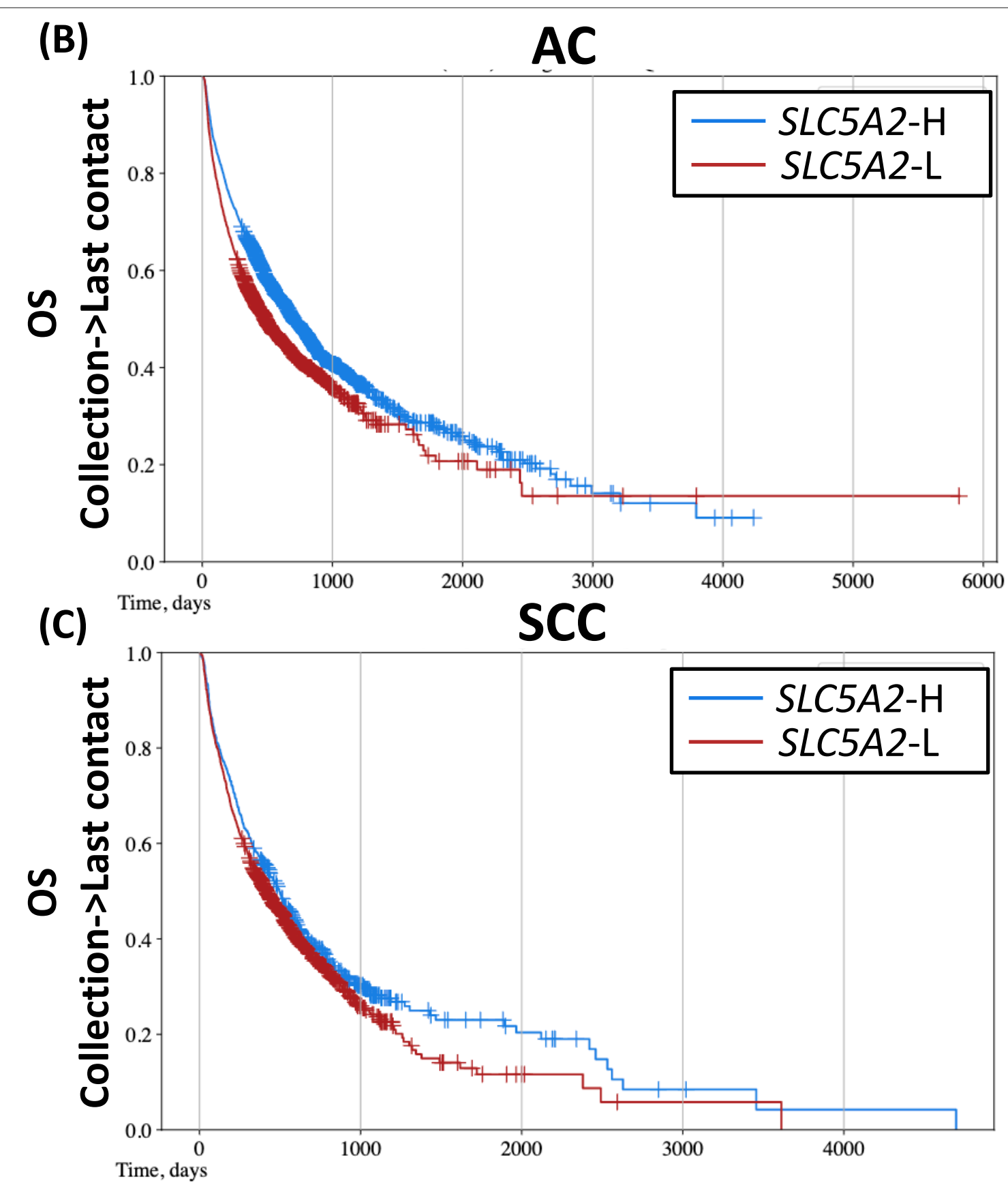
Squamous



3. Outcome data:

Subgroup	Collection-> Last contact					First pembrolizumab -> Last contact					First pembrolizumab->Last pembrolizumab							
	HR	Low CI	Upper CI	p-value	Q4	Q1	HR	Low CI	Upper CI	p-value	Q4	Q1	HR	Low CI	Upper CI	p-value	Q4	Q1
Adenocarcinoma	0.787	0.73	0.85	<0.001	2784	2335	1.062	0.89	1.28	0.517	509	413	0.898	0.78	1.03	0.133	442	355
AC EGFR WT	0.782	0.72	0.85	<0.001	2056	1729	0.879	0.72	1.07	0.207	411	324	0.882	0.75	1.03	0.116	359	277
AC EGFR MT	0.786	0.63	0.99	0.038	508	284	1.993	0.77	5.18	0.148	50	16	1.697	0.87	3.33	0.119	39	12
AC KRAS WT	0.852	0.77	0.95	0.002	1582	1271	1.094	0.84	1.43	0.509	266	191	1.017	0.83	1.24	0.868	231	166
AC KRAS MT	0.642	0.57	0.73	<0.001	949	732	0.72	0.54	0.96	0.024	190	151	0.836	0.66	1.06	0.137	163	124
Squamous Carcinoma	0.882	0.78	1.00	0.045	546	1347	0.73	0.54	0.99	0.041	103	228	0.72	0.56	0.93	0.012	90	185
SCC EGFR WT	0.902	0.79	1.03	0.125	481	1145	0.673	0.49	0.94	0.018	90	195	0.713	0.54	0.94	0.015	80	157
SCC EGFR MT	0.42	0.11	1.60	0.189	7	10	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
SCC KRAS WT	0.869	0.76	1.00	0.042	463	1109	0.66	0.47	0.92	0.013	91	186	0.707	0.54	0.93	0.013	81	150
SCC KRAS MT	1.456	0.83	2.57	0.189	21	46	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND

Figure 3: (A) Table of survival data for different NSCLC subpopulations segmented by *SLC5A2*-H vs *SLC5A2*-L. Kaplan-Meier curves representing overall survival for AC (B) and SCC (C) histology's.



Study Highlights

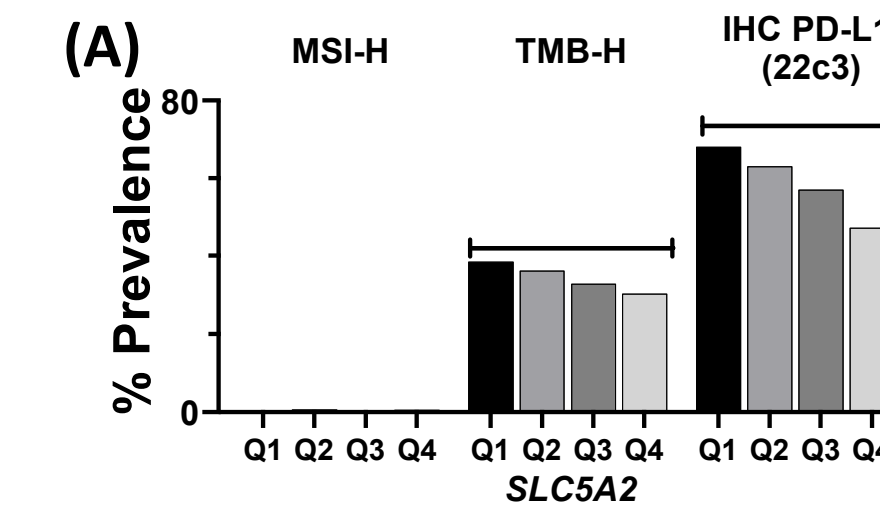
- In AC, *SLC5A2*-H was associated with **higher rates of EGFR** (20.8 vs 13.5%, p < 0.05) and **STK11 mutations** (20.1 vs 12.9%, p < 0.05), but **lower rates of TP53** (50.8 vs 69.5%, p < 0.05) and **ARID1A** (8.7 vs 4.6%, p < 0.05)
- AC and SCC *SLC5A2*-H tumors had a lower prevalence of PD-L1+ (AC: 47 vs 68%, SCC: 50 vs 67%, p < 0.05). AC *SLC5A2*-H tumors had a lower prevalence of TMB-H (30 vs 39%, p < 0.05), but not in SCC (40 vs 41%, p = 0.6).
- In AC, *SLC5A2*-H had **longer OS** as compared to *SLC5A2*-L (HR = 0.787 [0.73-0.85], p < 0.001)
- SLC5A2*-H SCC tumors had significantly **longer OS** (HR 0.88, [0.78-1.00], p = 0.045) and **TOT with pembrolizumab** (HR .72 [0.56-.093], p = 0.01).
- SLC5A2*-H, **KRAS mutant AC** tumors had significantly **longer OS** (HR 0.64 [0.57-0.73], p < 0.001) whereas *SLC5A2*-H **KRAS mutant SCC** tumors (HR 1.46 [0.83-2.57], p = 0.19) trended towards **shorter OS**.

Conclusions

- SLC5A2* expression was associated with a highly altered genomic landscape in AC
- In specific subgroups, high expression of *SLC5A2* was associated with OS and TOT with immunotherapy



Adenocarcinoma



Squamous

