

Supplementary figure 1.

Correlation of immune-phenotyping with clinical parameters. **A**, Differential expression of CD73 by NK cells from peripheral blood versus tumor resections for sarcoma. (n=7) Wilcoxon signed rank test was done to test for significance in matching data points. **B**, Percentage of CD56+, CD3- cells out of CD45+ cells over three defined molecular subtypes of breast cancer tumor cohort collected shown in table 1. **C**, Percentage of CD73+ NK cells out of total NK cells (CD56+, CD45+ and CD3-) over 3 defined molecular subtypes of breast cancer tumor cohort collected shown in table 1. Kruskal-Wallis test was used to test for significant correlations in both figure A and B. **D**, CD73+ NK cells out of total NK cells over CD73 expression in CD45- tumor cells (>1% as cut-off) Mann-Whitney U rank test was used to test for significance. **E**, Spearman correlation coefficient to test relationship between percentage of NK cells out of CD45+ cells over percentage of CD73+ NK cells out of total NK cells. Clinical correlation in figures B to E were done in breast cancer cohort with sample size, n=25.



Supplementary figure 2.

Tumor-infiltrating CD73+ NK cells express a range of immune checkpoints and activating receptors **A**, Flow cytometric gating strategy performed on samples from tumor resections. **B**, Proportions of attributing parameters used in PCA analysis. (n=11) **C**, Differential expression of immune checkpoints presented in fold change with reference to CD73- NK cells from tumor resections. (n=11) **D to G**, Differential expression of activation receptors (NKG2C, NKG2D, NKp44 and NKp46) comparing CD73+ and CD73- NK cells isolated from tumor resections. Data was collected from 6 tumor resections for figures C, E and F while sample size is 11 for figure D. Wilcoxon signed rank test was done to test for significance in matching data points.



Supplementary figure 3.

CD73 surface expression is acquired due to vesicular transport and not degranulation. (n=3) **A**, Representative histogram from FACS analysis showing CD73 MFI comparing surface and intracellular staining of IL-2 activated NK cells. **B**, Representative flow cytometric plot showing CD73 expressing cells in CD107a negative and CD63 positive cell populations in the presence of Cytochalasin D (1 $\mu$ M) or Latrunculin B (1 $\mu$ M). **C**, CD73 surface expression on NK cells with or without CD63 and CD107a surface expression in the presence of either Latrunculin B (1 $\mu$ M) or Cytochalasin D(1 $\mu$ M). Friedman test was used to test for significance. (n=4)







Supplementary figure 4.

Characterization of CD73+ NK cells based on RNA sequencing. **A**, Threedimensional principal component analysis comparing CD73+ NK cells versus CD73- NK cells from 5 different tumor co-cultures based on differential gene expression. (n=5) **B**, Heatmap showing differential expression of known STAT3targeted genes comparing CD73+ and CD73- tumor infiltrating NK cells. (n=4) **C**, Venn diagram showing 61 out of 256 upregulated genes with binding motifs for STAT3 based on oPOSSUM-3 platform to query JASPAR database. 259 Genes from supplementary table S2 were used for the analysis with 256 genes recognized by the platform. (n=5)



Supplementary figure 5.

GPB730 inhibits phosphorylation of S727-STAT3 in NK cells after 4 hours of tumor co-culture. **A**, Representative histograms showing MFI of phosphorylated STAT3 on S727 and Y705 comparing CD73+ and CD73- NK cells. (n=3) **B**, MFI fold change in phosphorylated STAT3 staining comparing CD73+NK vs CD73-NK. (n=5 for phosphorylated S727; n=3 for phosphorylated Y707) **C**, Chemical Structure of GPB730 and dose-dependent inhibition of STAT3 activity in STAT3 reporter/HEK293 cell line pretreated with GPB730 prior to stimulation with IL-6 for 16 hours. (n=3) **D**, MFI of phosphorylated STAT3 (S727) on NK cells with 10µM of GPB730 during 4 hours of co-culture with K562 transduced with 4-1BBL. (n=3) **E**, MFI of phosphorylated STAT3 (Y705) on NK cells with 10µM of GPB730 during 4 hours of co-culture with K562 transduced with 4-1BBL. (n=3) Paired t-test was used to test for significance. **F**, Representative t-SNE analysis of TILs producing IFN-γ and TGF-β in breast tumors. (n=3) Supplementary Table S1: List of 8456 differentially expressed genes comparing

CD73+ versus CD73- NK cells (Excel File)

Supplementary Table S2: List of 524 differentially expressed genes comparing

CD73+ versus CD73- NK cells filtered based on p value<0.05 and fold change>±2.0

(Excel File)

Supplementary Table S3: List of antibodies used for flow cytometry and functional assays (Excel File)