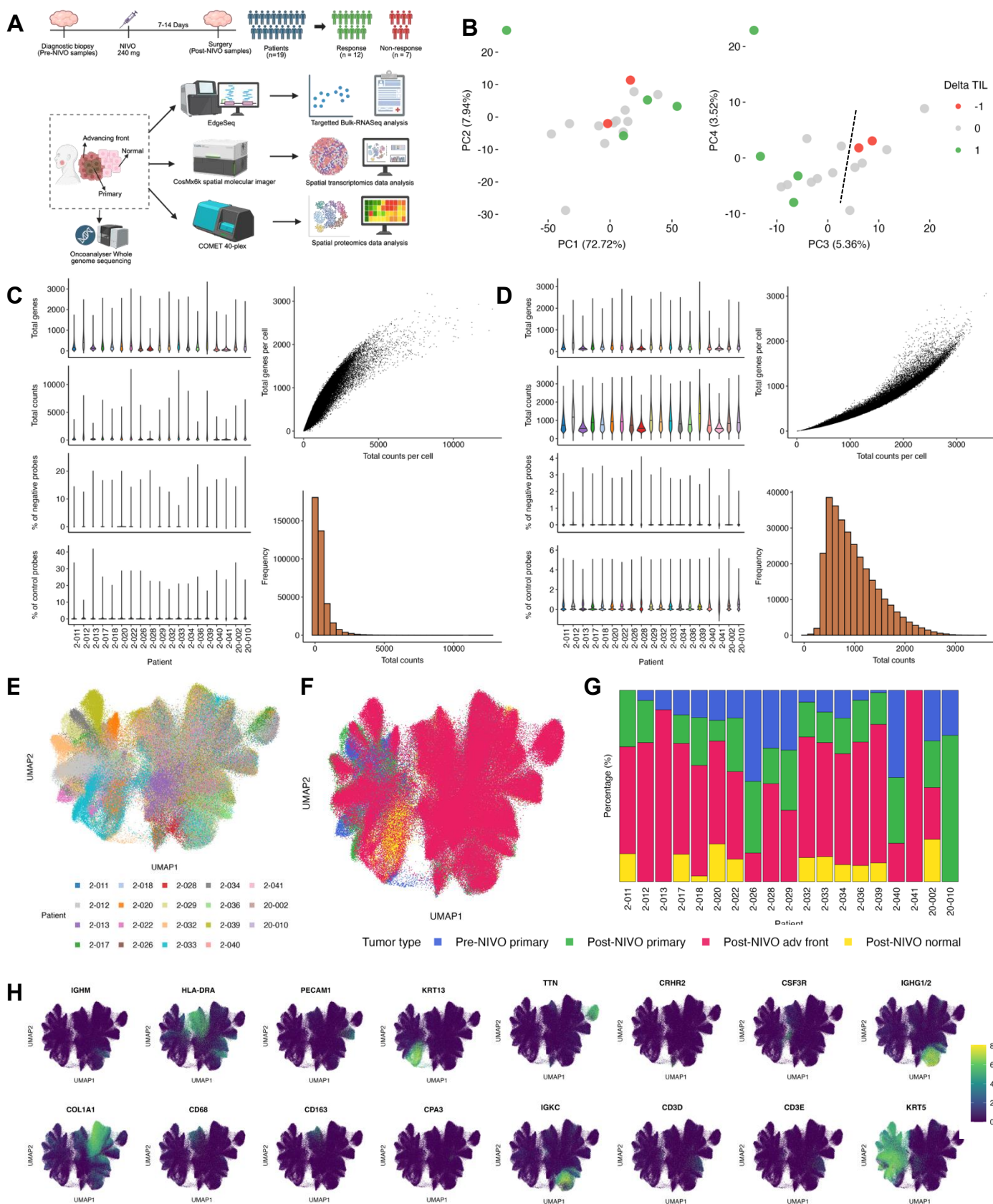




Supp Figure 2. Cohort overview, quality control, and integration of CosMx6k spatial transcriptomic data.

(A) Study schematic illustrating cohort design, treatment timeline, tumour sampling strategy, and multi-omics profiling workflow.

(B) Principal component analysis (PCA) of patient-specific bulk RNA-seq log2 fold-change profiles across the first four principal components (PC1-PC4). Each point represents one patient and is colored by Δ TIL. The dashed line in the PC3 panel indicates the decision boundary used to classify patients into the Response and Non-response groups.

(C) Summary of quality-control metrics for the raw CosMx spatial transcriptomic dataset, comprising patient-level QC metrics (total genes, total transcript counts, negative probe percentages and control probe percentages), a scatter plot of total genes per cell versus total transcript counts per cell, and a histogram of total transcript counts.

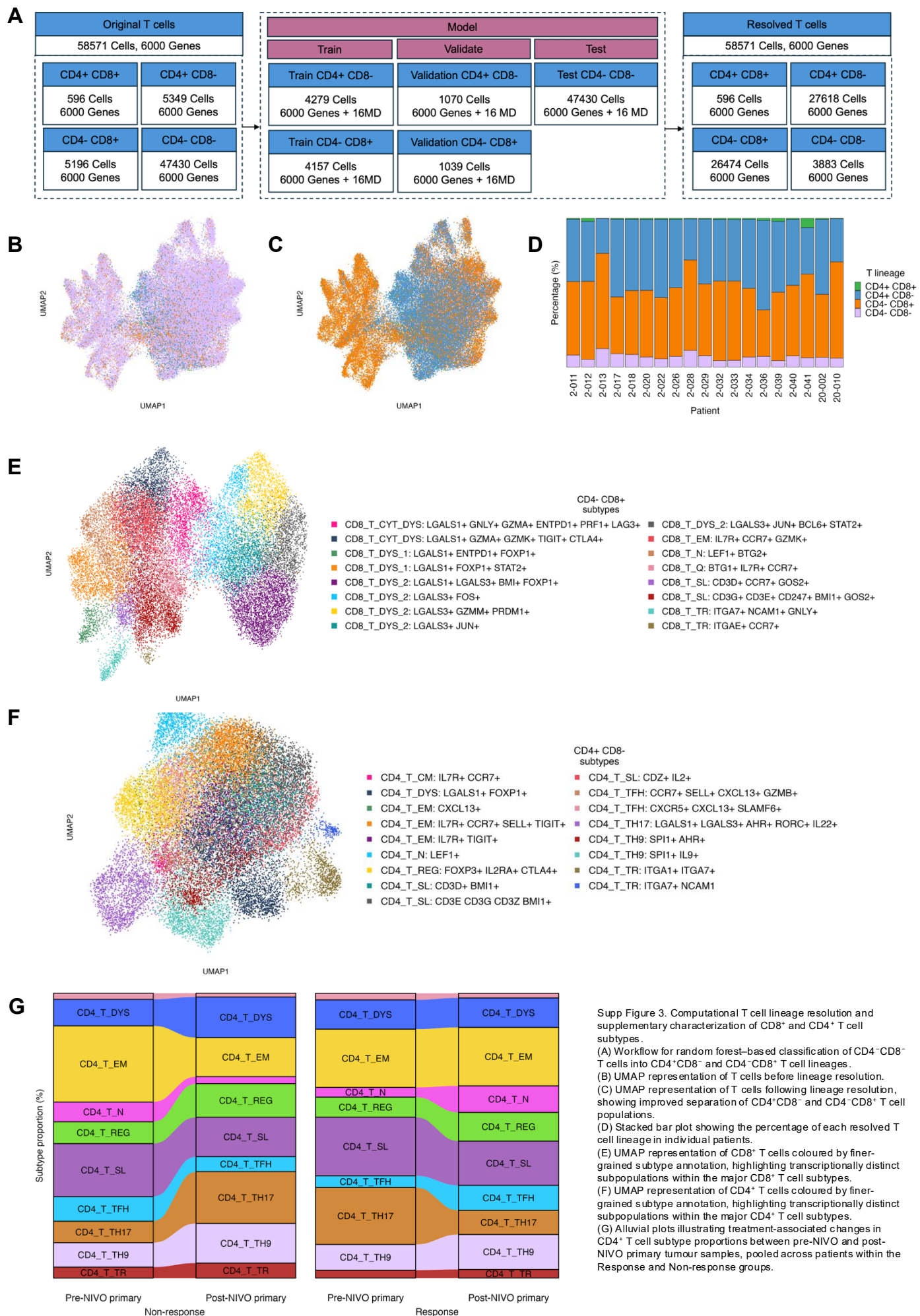
(D) Summary of quality-control metrics for the pre-processed CosMx spatial transcriptomic dataset, comprising patient-level QC metrics (total genes, total transcript counts, negative probe percentages and control probe percentages), a scatter plot of total genes per cell versus total transcript counts per cell, and a histogram of total transcript counts.

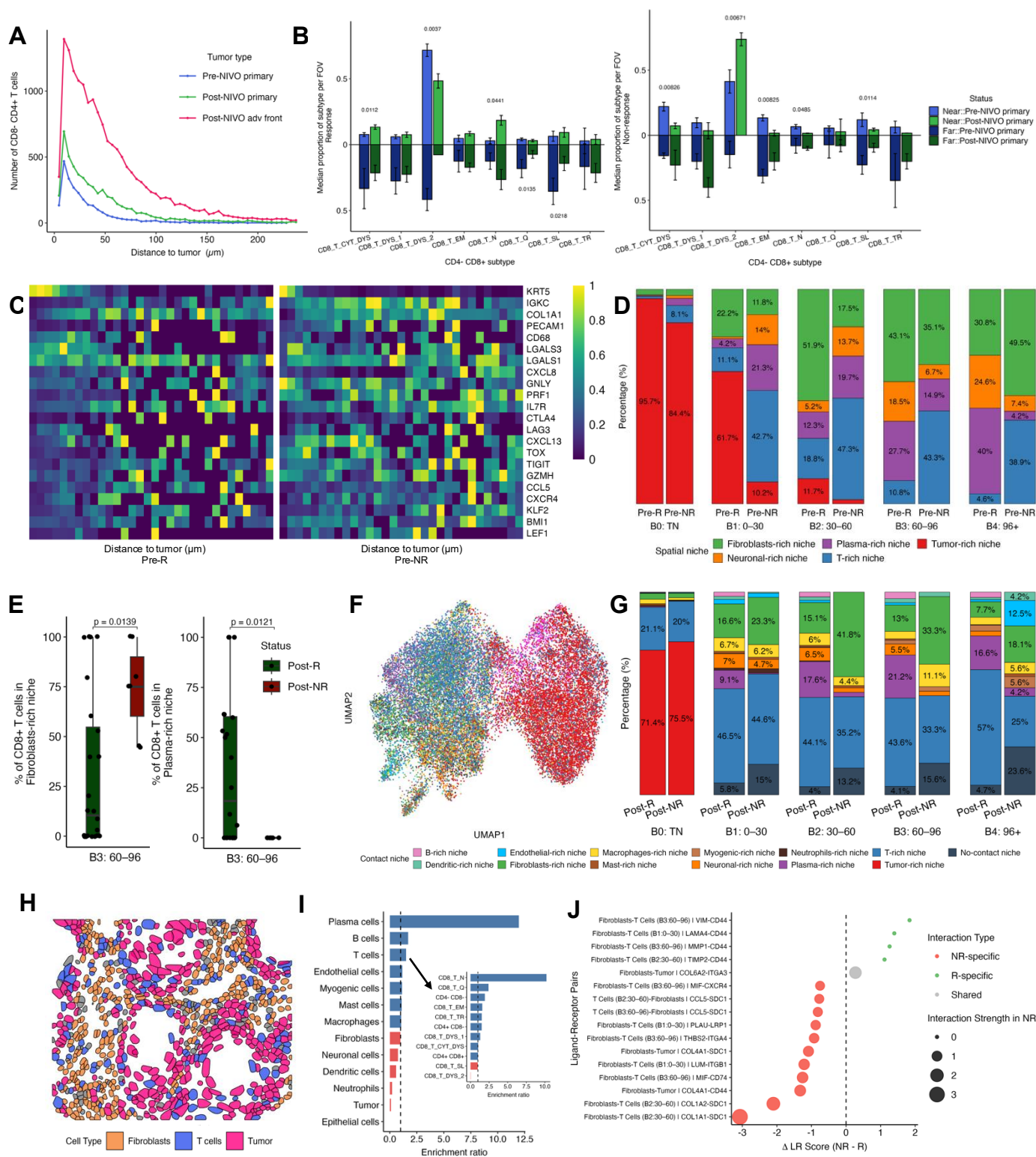
(E) UMAP representation of the CosMx 6K single-cell spatial transcriptomic dataset, coloured by patient identity

(F) UMAP representation of the CosMx 6K single-cell spatial transcriptomic dataset, coloured by Tumor type

(G) Stacked bar plot showing the relative cell type composition across Tumor type

(H) UMAP representation of canonical marker gene expression across the CosMx 6K single-cell spatial transcriptomic dataset.





Supp Figure 4. Supplementary analyses supporting spatial organization, niche composition and ligand-receptor interactions of CD8⁺ T cells.

(A) Line plot showing the distribution of CD8⁺ T cells as a function of distance to tumour (μm) across pre-NIVO primary, post-NIVO primary and post-NIVO advancing front tumour samples.

(B) Mirrored bar plots showing the proportions of CD8⁺ T cell subtypes in near- and far-tumour regions across pre-NIVO and post-NIVO primary tumour samples. Bars represent the median proportion across fields of view (FOVs), error bars indicate standard deviations, and statistical comparisons were performed using Wilcoxon rank-sum tests.

(C) Heatmaps showing spatial gene expression gradients across distance-to-tumour bins in pre-NIVO primary tumour samples from the Response (Pre-R) and Non-response groups (Pre-NR). Gene expression was min-max normalized across distance bins for each gene.

(D) Stacked bar plots showing the proportions of CD8⁺ T cell spatial niches across distance-to-tumour bins in pre-NIVO Response and pre-NIVO Non-response primary tumour samples.

(E) Box plots showing the percentage of CD8⁺ T cells localized within fibroblast-rich and plasma cell-rich niches in the B3 (500-800 μm) distance-to-tumour compartment of post-NIVO primary tumour samples. Each dot represents one tissue core. Statistical comparisons were performed using Wilcoxon rank-sum tests.

(F) UMAP representation of CD8⁺ T cells coloured by contact-based niche annotation.

(G) Stacked bar plots showing the proportions of contact-based CD8⁺ T cell niches across distance-to-tumour bins in post-NIVO Response and post-NIVO Non-response primary tumour samples.

(H) Representative spatial reconstruction from a Non-response sample showing CD8⁺ T cells embedded within a fibroblast-rich niche.

(I) Enrichment ratio analysis of neighbouring cell populations surrounding CD8⁺ T cells in direct contact with plasma cells relative to all other CD8⁺ T cells. The left panel summarizes enrichment across major cell types, while the right panel shows the corresponding enrichment of CD8⁺ T cell subtypes.

(J) Differential spatial ligand-receptor interaction analysis (ΔLR = NR - R) between tumour cells, fibroblasts and CD8⁺ T cells across distance-to-tumour bins. Positive values indicate interactions enriched in the Response group, whereas negative values indicate interactions enriched in the Non-response group.

