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Single cell gene expression matrix and bulk RNA gene expression data are available in OMIX(<https://ngdc.cncb.ac.cn/omix/>) with accession code OMIX005182 and OMIX005181.

Research involving human participants, their data, or biological material

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Reporting on sex and gender	NA
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Population characteristics	NA
Recruitment	Cohort 1: This cohort was used to derive the immune cell landscape in AML patients receiving allo-HSCT between October 1, 2019, and January 31, 2021, at Peking University, Institute of Hematology (PUIH), based on scRNA-seq. The inclusion criteria were as followed: 1) age ≥ 16 years; 2) CR before allo-HSCT; 3) survived at least 1 month after allo-HSCT; and 4) without active graft-versus-host disease (GVHD), active infection, and hematologic relapse. Patients who were MRD positivity after allo-HSCT were enrolled in the MRD-positive group, and BM samples were collected within 1 week from the last positive results. MRD-negative patients were enrolled as the controlled group and were matched according to the age and length of follow up (± 2 months) Cohort 2: This cohort was designed to identify the association between the change of specific immune cell clusters and MRD conversion before and after preemptive IFN-α treatment based on scRNA-seq. The inclusion criteria were patients who met the definition of MRD positivity as mentioned below, and the key exclusion criteria included active acute GVHD, active infections, severe myelosuppression (white blood cell count $< 1.0 \times 10^9$ cells/L, absolute neutrophil count $< 0.5 \times 10^9$ cells/L, hemoglobin count < 65 g/L, or platelet count $< 25 \times 10^9$ cells/L), and organ failure. Six MRD-positive patients were enrolled, and IFN-$\alpha 2b$ injections were administered subcutaneously. Cohort 3: This cohort was designed to derive the change of immune cells clusters after allo-HSCT based on the bulk RNA-seq profiles of BM mononuclear cells (BMNCs) with CIBERSORTx v.1.0.41 (https://cibersortx.stanford.edu/), which aimed to further verify the association between the change of specific immune cell clusters and MRD conversion. The inclusion criteria were as followed: 1) age ≥ 16 years; 2) CR before allo-HSCT; 3) survived at least 1 month after allo-HSCT; and 4) without active GVHD, active infection, and hematologic relapse. BM samples collected at 1 to 7 months after allo-HSCT were obtained from the specimen repository of PUIH. More than one BM samples should have been collected for all enrolled patients. Seventy-eight AML patients receiving allo-HSCT from January 1, 2021, to July 31, 2021 were enrolled.
Ethics oversight	The study was approved by the Institutional Review Board of Peking University People's Hospital. The study was conducted in accordance with the Declaration of Helsinki.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	NA
Data exclusions	No data were excluded.
Replication	All attempts at replication were successful.
Randomization	NA
Blinding	NA

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☐	☒ Antibodies
☐	☒ Eukaryotic cell lines
☒	☐ Palaeontology and archaeology
☒	☐ Animals and other organisms
☐	☒ Clinical data
☒	☐ Dual use research of concern
☒	☐ Plants

Methods

n/a	Involved in the study
☒	☐ ChIP-seq
☐	☒ Flow cytometry
☒	☐ MRI-based neuroimaging

Antibodies

Antibodies used	Antibodies included PerCP-anti-CD3 (HIT3a, 317337), BV510-anti-CD8 (SK1, 344732), APC-Cy7-anti-CD56 (NCAM, 362512), BV421-anti-KLRG1 (SA231A2, 367706), PE-anti-KLRG1 (SA231A2, 367711), PE-CD107a (H4A3, 328607), Percp 5.5-CD107a (H4A3, 328616), PECy7-IFN γ (4S.B3, 502527), BV605-TNF α (Mab11, 502935), APC-IL2 (MQ1-17H12, 500309), BV421-IL2 (MQ1-17 H12, 500327), AF700-Ki67 (Ki67, 350529), PerCP 5.5- Ki67 (Ki67, 350519), BV421- Ki67 (Ki67, 350506) BV510-CD25 (BC96, 302639), APC-Cy7-CD69 (FN50, 310909), AF647-GZMB (QA16A02, 372219), BV421-GZMB (QA18A28, 396414), FITC-GZMK (GM26E7, 370507), PE-Cy7-Perforin (B-D48, 353304) from Biolegend. Antibodies were used at 1:200 dilution for staining cells.
Validation	Based on information provided by commercial vendors.

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	U937 and THP1 cell lines were originally from the American Type Culture Collection (Manassas, VA, USA).
Authentication	No specific procedure was taken to authenticate the cell line identity.
Mycoplasma contamination	The cell lines have been tested negative for mycoplasma contamination.
Commonly misidentified lines (See ICLAC register)	No cell lines used are in the database of commonly misidentified cell lines.

Clinical data

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Clinical trial registration	NA
Study protocol	NA, this is not a clinical trial
Data collection	NA
Outcomes	NA

Plants

Seed stocks	NA
Novel plant genotypes	Describe the methods by which all novel plant genotypes were produced. This includes those generated by transgenic approaches, gene editing, chemical/radiation-based mutagenesis and hybridization. For transgenic lines, describe the transformation method, the number of independent lines analyzed and the generation upon which experiments were performed. For gene-edited lines, describe the editor used, the endogenous sequence targeted for editing, the targeting guide RNA sequence (if applicable) and how the editor was applied.
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Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation	Bone marrow single-cell suspension was incubated in staining buffer (phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) supplemented with 1% fetal bovine serum (FBS) for 15 min before being stained with indicated monoclonal antibodies.
Instrument	FACSCanto II cytometer (BD Biosciences).
Software	Flowcytometry data were processed and analyzed using FlowJo V18.1.
Cell population abundance	At least 1000 events were acquired for cells in the defined gate.
Gating strategy	For all experiments FSC-A/ SSC-A gates of the starting cell population were used to identify viable cells. Singlet cells were identified using FSC-H/ FSC-A gating. Isotype control was used to distinguish between background and marker-positive events.

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