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Emerging tumor morphologies from cancer cell interactions

We present a theoretical model of tumor growth based on the interactions of cancer stem cells and non-stem cancer cells. We show that tumor growth is driven by cancer stem cells and modulated by non-stem cancer cells. Intrinsic cell parameters yield different kinetics and population ratios, and a variety of tumor morphologies emerge.