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## PD-L2 Peptide-Montanide Vaccine

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A vaccine composed of a peptide derived from the immune checkpoint molecule programmed death ligand 2 (PD-L2) combined with the immunoadjuvant montanide ISA-51, with potential immunomodulating and antineoplastic activities. Vaccination with PD-L2 peptide-montanide vaccine may mount an immune response against PD-L2 expressing cells. This may enhance T-cell proliferation, cytokine production, and T-cell mediated cytolysis. PD-L2 binding to its cognate receptor, programmed cell death protein 1 (PD-1; PDCD1; CD279), downregulates T-cell responses and enhances immune evasion. Montanide ISA-51, also known as incomplete Freund's adjuvant or IFA, is a stabilized water-in-oil emulsion adjuvant containing mineral oil with mannide oleate added as a surfactant that non-specifically stimulates cell-mediated immune responses to antigens.