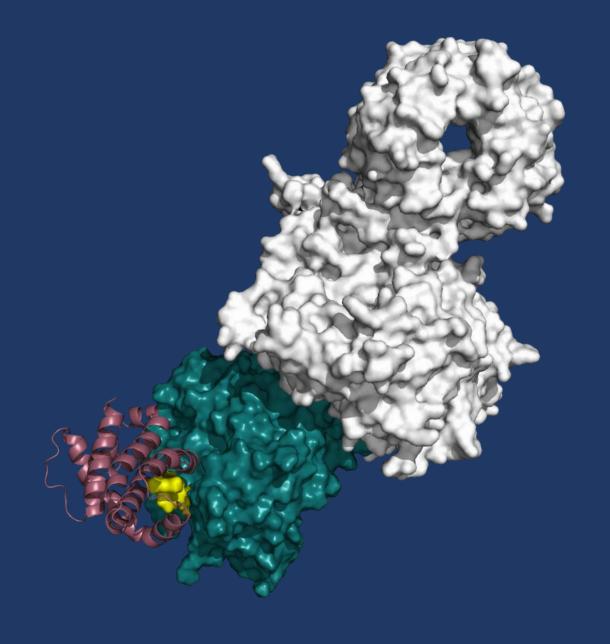


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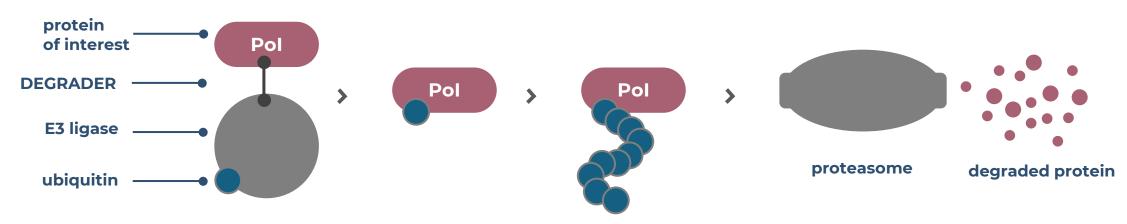








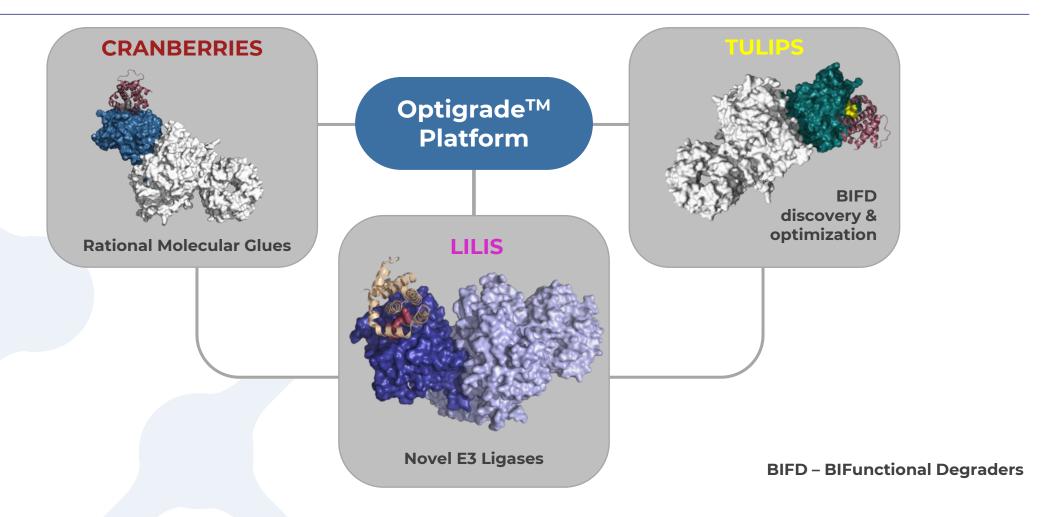
## Targeted Protein Degradation expected to unlock \$974\* bn by 2030



|  | Degraders                        | Inhibitors                       | mAbs                   | siRNA                            |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Removing multiple pathological functions   | <b>√</b> √ √                     | ×                                | ×                      | <b>√ √ √</b>                     |
| Oral bioavailability                       | $\checkmark\checkmark\checkmark$ | $\checkmark\checkmark\checkmark$ | ×                      | ×                                |
| Uncoupling PK from PD = prolonged efficacy | $\checkmark\checkmark\checkmark$ | ×                                | ×                      | $\checkmark\checkmark\checkmark$ |
| Overcoming mutational resistance           | $\checkmark\checkmark\checkmark$ | ✓                                | $\checkmark\checkmark$ | $\checkmark\checkmark\checkmark$ |
| Targeting scaffolding function             | $\checkmark\checkmark\checkmark$ | ×                                | $\checkmark\checkmark$ | $\checkmark\checkmark\checkmark$ |
| Brain-penetration                          | <b>√</b> √                       | $\checkmark\checkmark\checkmark$ | ×                      | ×                                |
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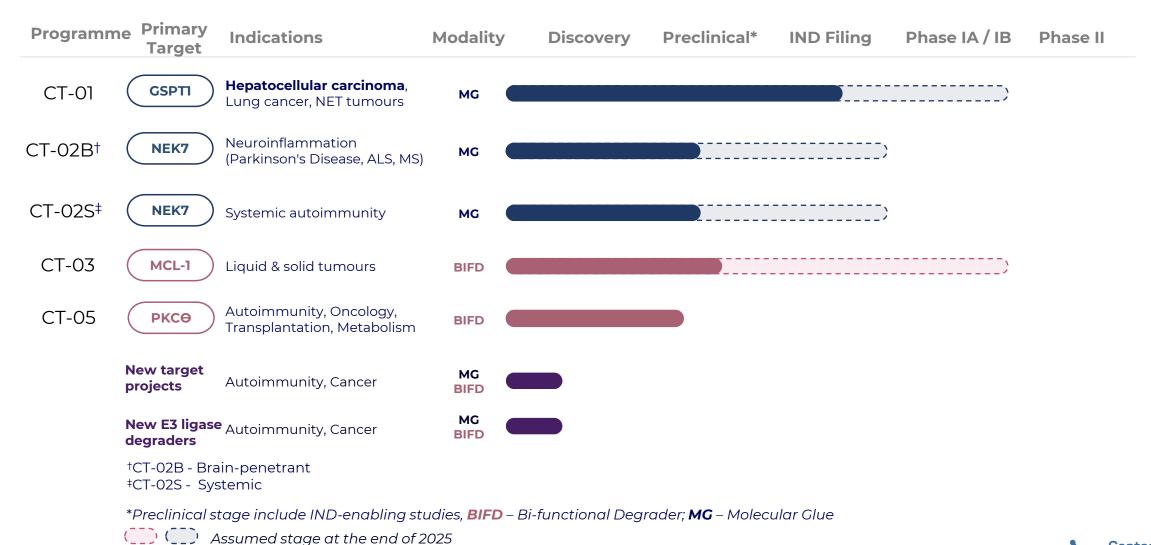
## Optigrade™ discovery platform – importance of structure



Optigrade<sup>TM</sup> – addressing Molecular Glues, Bifunctional Degraders and novel E3 Ubiquitin Ligases



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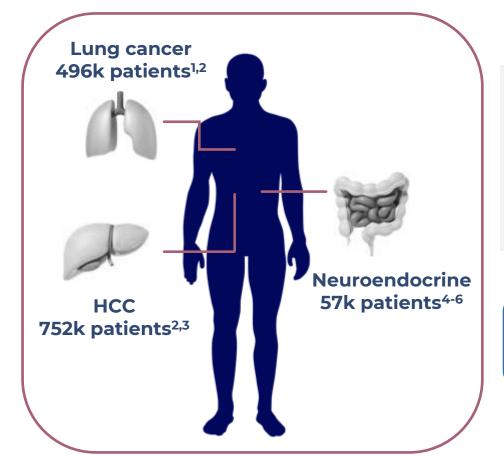




# CT-01: First-in-Class GSPT1 Targeted Degrader for Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC)



## CT-01: first-in-class molecular glue degrader of GSPT1 & NEK7



**GSPTI** degradation leads to an Integrated Stress Response (ISR) and induction of apoptosis in HCC cells

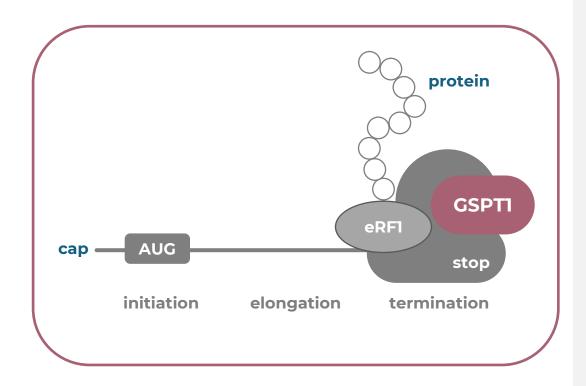
**NEK7** degradation leads to reduction of IL-1β production – a wellestablished pro-carcinogenic factor. Reduction of IL-1 $\beta$  levels in the tumor microenvironment enables activation of the immune response

CT-01 is a pro-drug activated by an enzyme present at high levels in the liver, lungs and certain gastrointestinal tumors

A unique degradation profile combined with target tissue pro-drug activation for liver, lung, breast and neuroendocrine cancer

<sup>(4)</sup> Semin Cancer Biol. 2006 Aug;16(4):253-64 (5) Endocr Connect. 2023 Nov 23;12(12) (6) JAMA Oncol. 2017 Oct 1:3(10):1335-1342

#### Biology of GSPT1 supports its targeted degradation in cancer treatment



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- 2. Salas-Marco, J. & Bedwell, D. M.. Mol Cell Biol, 2004
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#### **Target Biology and Therapeutic Rationale**

#### G1 to S phase transition 1 protein (GSPT1, eRF3a)

is a translation termination factor that regulates mRNA translation<sup>1</sup>

GSPTI and eRFI form a translation termination complex that facilitates the nonsense mediated mRNA Decay<sup>2,3</sup>

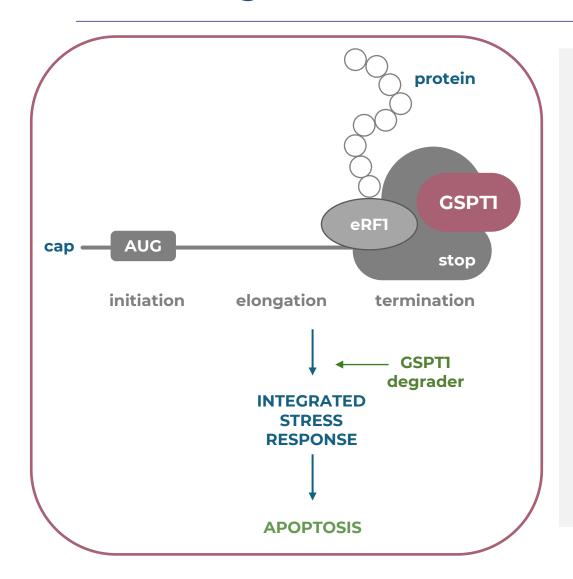
#### **Clinical opportunity**

Targeting protein translation GSPTI degradation offers treatment options of:

- 1. Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC)
- 2. Lung cancer
- 3. Breast cancer
- 4. Gliomas
- 5. Rare cancers, e.g.: hepatoblastoma, angio- and liposarcomas



## **GSPT1** degrader



# GSPTI degradation leads to apoptosis via induction Integrated Stress Response (ISR)

An excellent opportunity for targeting of cancer cells that require translational adaptations and efficient protein synthesis

**CT-01** degrader is a pro-drug converted by an enzyme elevated in the inflammed liver, lungs and blood-brain barrier.

The active molecule is released in HCC and features:

- 1) poor cell membrane penetration and
- 2) fast clearance, both of which significantly expand the therapeutic window.

**CT-01** degrades also NEK7, whose pro-carcinogenic role is manifested in stabilization of MDSCs and TAMs in Tumor Micro-Environment (TME)



## **HCC:** current standard of care and opportunity

| Line of therapy | Therapy             | Survival Benefit <i>vs</i> Sorafenib<br>[months] | FDA Approval             |
|-----------------|---------------------|--|--------------------------|
| 1               | Tecentriq + Avastin | +5.8 <sup>1</sup>                                | uHCC / mHCC              |
| 1               | Imfinzi + Imjudo    | <b>+2.7</b> <sup>2</sup>                         | uHCC                     |
| 1/2             | Nexavar             | <b>0.0</b> <sup>3</sup>                          | uHCC                     |
| 2               | Optivo              | +1.74  | uHCC<br>(Post sorafenib) |
| 2               | Cabometyx           | <b>+2.2</b> <sup>5</sup>                         | uHCC<br>(Post sorafenib) |

| Market Research Provider             | Base (Year / \$B) | Future (Year / \$B) | CAGR (%) |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------|
| Vision Research Reports <sup>6</sup> | 2024: \$3.2       | 2033: \$11.6        | 15%      |
| SNS Insider <sup>7</sup>             | 2022: \$2.9       | 2030: \$12.9        | 20%      |
| Skyquest <sup>8</sup>                | 2022: \$2.7       | 2030: \$11.4        | 20%      |
| Research and Markets <sup>9</sup>    | 2022: \$2.4       | 2030: \$7.8         | 15%      |
| Polaris <sup>10</sup>                | 2021: \$2.2       | 2030: \$10.4        | 20%      |

Global market reports forecast 15-20% CAGR

uHCC – unresectable HCC mHCC – metastatic HCC

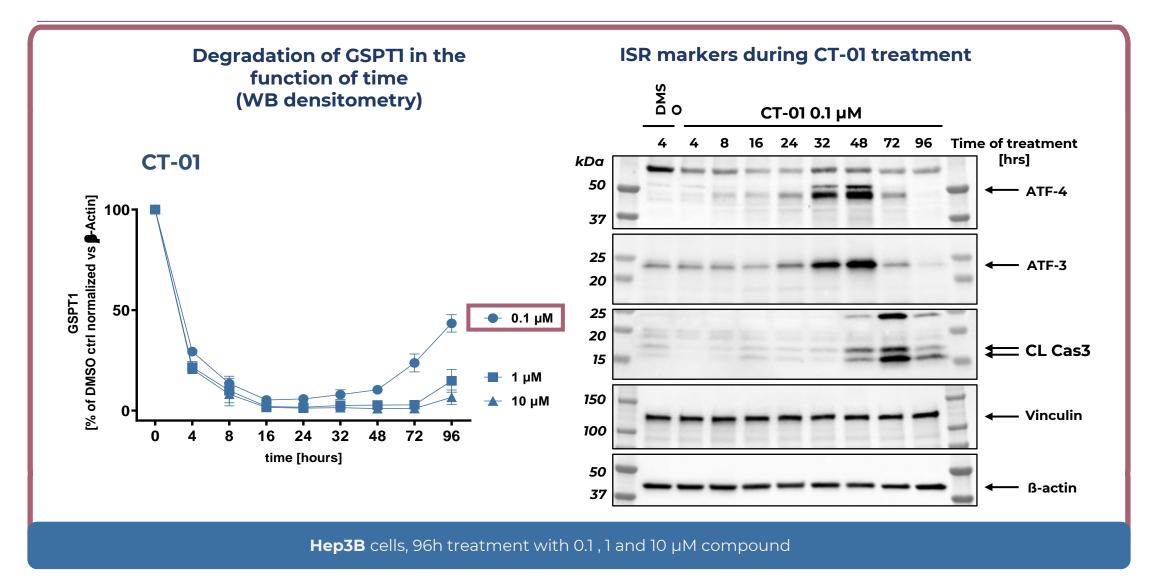


CT-01 (GSPT1)

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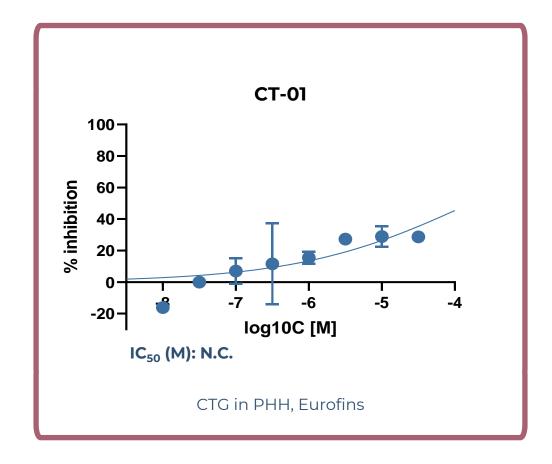
## Induction of ISR-dependent cell death in Hep3B tumor cells





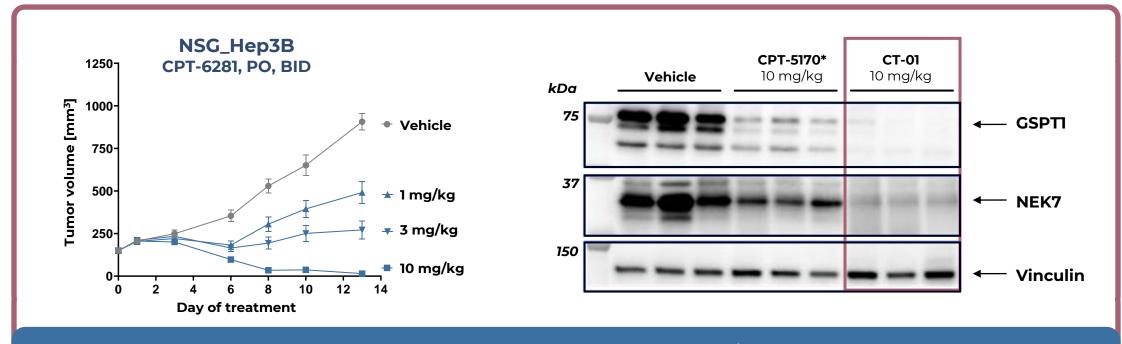


# Lack of cytotoxicity to primary human hepatocytes provides extra safety level





## Highly potent CT-01 regresses tumors in mice

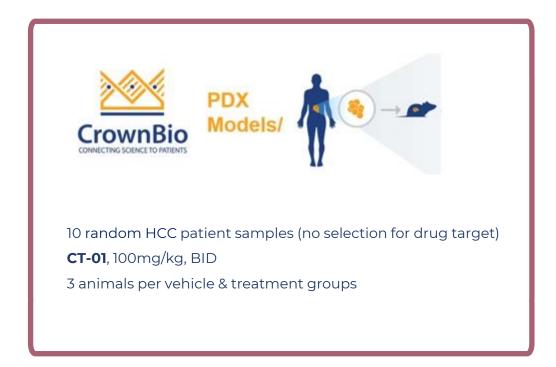


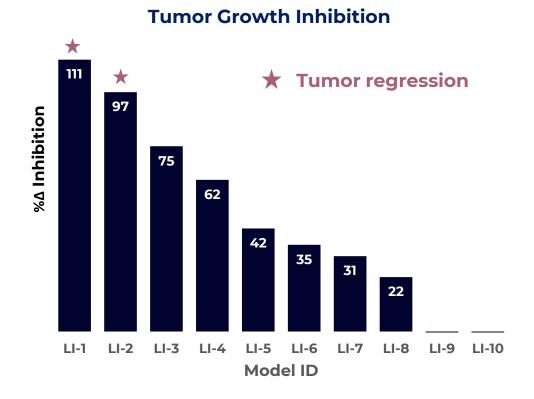
Regression of large tumors (~ 150 mm²) observed at doses as little as 10 mg/kg BID administered orally \*CPT-5170: an early lead compound in the CT-01 project

CT-01 strongly regresses liver cancer in Hep3B model at 10 mpk



## Convincing tumor growth inhibition in HCC PDX models





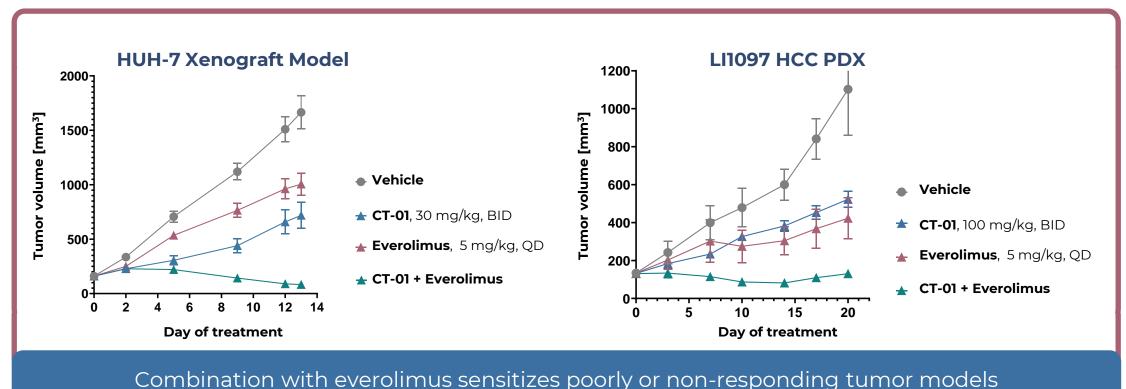
Efficacy demonstrated in 8/10 PDX models; TGI>50% in 4 models, 2 models with regression



## Strong synergy of CT-01 in combination with everolimus



Everolimus is an approved anticancer drug (kidney, breast & brain cancers), and shows clear synergy with CT-01 in combination





## **CT-01** is highly differentiated among GSPT1 degraders

| Assay   | CT-01 (Captor) <sup>1</sup>                                   | CC-90009 (BMS) <sup>2</sup>                 | MRT-2359 (Monte Rosa) <sup>3</sup> |
|---|---|---|------------------------------------|
| Selectivity (Px, WB)  | GSPT1, GSPT2, NEK7  | GSPT1, GSPT2, SALL4, FIZ1, RNF166, ODC1 (1) | GSPTI, GSPT2                       |
| CYP DDI<br>(2B6, 1A2, 2D6, 3A4, 2C8,<br>2C9, 2C19)  | >50 µM  | CYP2C19 at 1.5 µM                           | >30 µM                             |
| hERG  | >30 µM  | 5.3 μΜ                                      | >30 µM                             |
| CEREP, % inhibition   | Protein panel <20% at 10 μM                                   | M1/M2 > 50% at 10 $\mu$ M                   | a1A>50% at 10 μM                   |
| Caco2 (Efflux Ratio) of active drug   | 1.0   | >100  | 9                                  |
| Route of Administration   | РО  | IV  | РО                                 |
| Metabolic activation  | Yes   | No  | No                                 |
| Cell permeability of the active drug  | Very low  | High  | High                               |
| Clearance of the active drug  | Fast; >300 ml/min/kg  | Medium; ~70 ml/min/kg                       | N/A                                |
| Tissue specificity  | Yes   | No  | No                                 |
| Potential weaknesses  | Unknown (No hypocalcemia or thrombocytopenia seen in GLP-tox) | Hypocalcemia and thrombocytopenia           | Dose-limiting thrombocytopenia     |
| (1) Internal profiling (2) DOI: 10.1021/acs.jmedchem.0c01489 (3) <u>Monte Rosa Corporate Presentation</u> |   |   | CC-90009 = BMS / Celgene GSPT1     |

CT-01 (GSPT1)

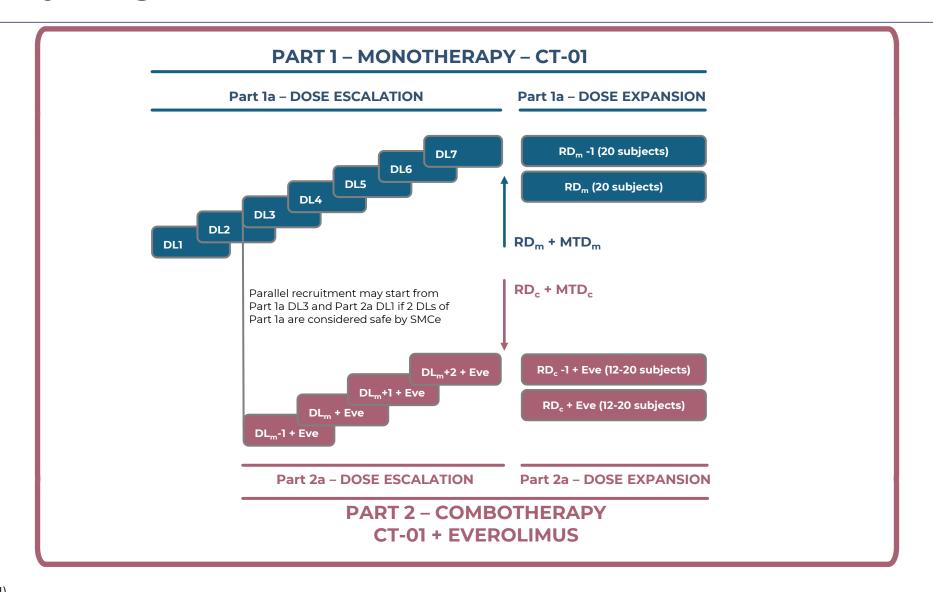


#### **CT-01: CTA submission status**

*In vitro* and *in vivo* pharmacology studies Drug Substance synthesis optimization and manufacture in large scale DMPK studies Preliminary toxicology studies in 2 animal species Toxicology studies under GLP (GLP Tox) Drug Substance GMP manufacture Drug Product – capsule preparation CTIS (Clinical Trial Information System) package preparation and submission Clinical Trial Application Assessment



## Study design





## Best-in-class potential of highly differentiated CT-01

#### Strong differentiation from other GSPTI degraders (BMS, Monte Rosa)

- Best-in-class degradation profile
- Active degrader lingers inside cancer cells after activation (poor cell penetration after prodrug conversion)
- Active degrader is rapidly cleared from systemic circulation

#### Degradation profile

- GSPT1, NEK7
- Activated in diseased liver, lung, adipocytes and inflamed blood-brain barrier

#### Initial indications

- hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC)
- lung cancer
- brain tumors
- rare cancers (hepatoblastoma, lipo- and angiosarcoma)

#### Development activities

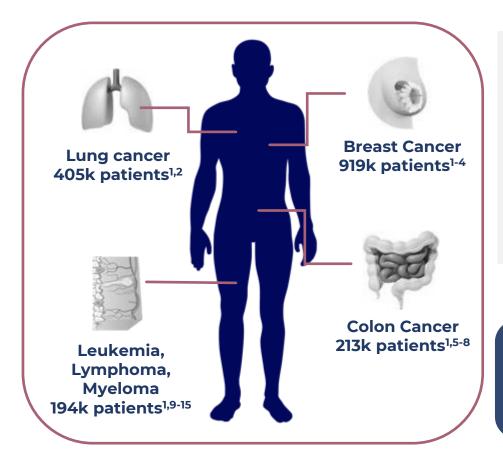
- Clinical Trial Authorization Application submitted in Europe
- Initiation of Phase 1 clinical trials in hepatocellular carcinoma Q1 2025



# CT-03: First-in-Class MCL-1 Degraders for Liquid & Solid Tumors



## CT-03: MCL-1 – a critical pathway for cancer resistance



#### MCL-1 is one of the most amplified proteins in cancer<sup>†</sup>

A critical resistance mechanism in hematological and solid tumors‡, cancer cells require very high levels to avoid induction of apoptosis

Degradation or inhibition of MCL-1 protein directly attenuates tumors in vivo as monotherapy & sensitizes tumors for other therapies

Inhibitors require prolonged, almost 100% of target coverage and cause accumulation of MCL-1†, cardiotoxicity through necrosis§

Short-term degradation of ≈70% of MCL-1 irreversibly induces apoptosis in cancer cells

This, together, with optimized clearance expands the therapeutic window of degraders





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<sup>3.</sup> Cell Death Dis 2018 9(2): 19

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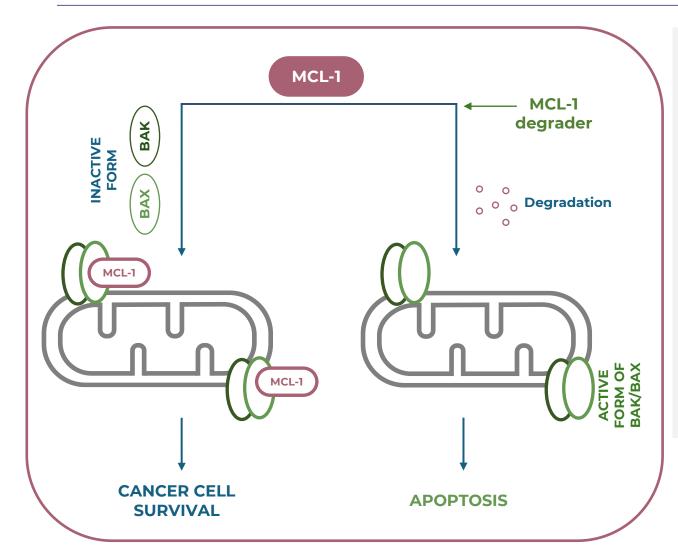
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<sup>11.</sup> ACS Key Statistics for AML, CLL, Lymphoma 12.Curr Treat Options Oncol. 2020 Jun 29;21(8):66 13.Int J Mol Sci. 2024 Jan 27;25(3):1589 14.Blood Rev. 2020 Nov;44:100672 15.Leukemia. 2013 Jun;27(6):1381-90

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#### CT-03: MCL-1 – a critical pathway for cancer resistance



#### MCL-1 biology and clinical relevance

MCL-1 is a well-characterized oncogenic protein with a key role in **evading apoptosis** and **promoting the survival of cancer cells**<sup>1</sup>.

Studies show cell growth dependency of MCL-1 levels in liquid (leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma) and solid tumors (breast and lung cancers<sup>2)</sup>.

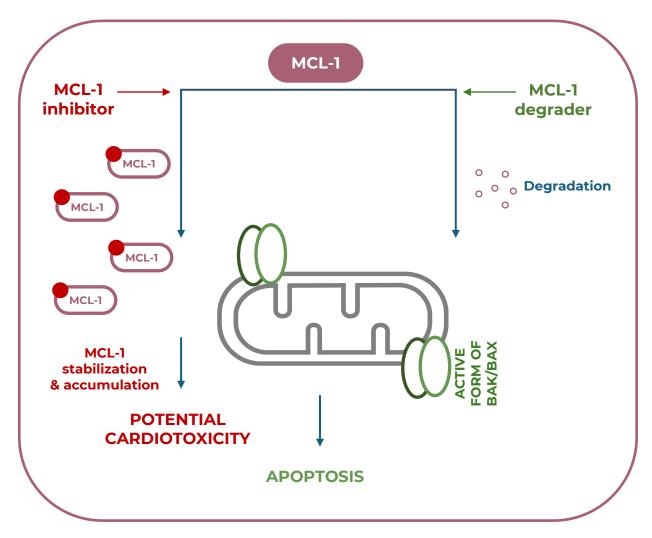
Monoallelic KO of MCL-1 in mice is viable and do not show signs of cardiac damage<sup>3</sup> or gross phenotype, and show resistance to selected liquid tumors.

Numerous systemic and targeted therapies drive the clonal selection of cells towards increased levels of MCL-1, like in AML refractory to venetoclax<sup>4</sup>.

- Singh R et al. Nature Reviews, 2019; 20: 175-193
- 2. Kotschy A et al. Nature, 2016; 538(7626): 477-482
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- 4. Garciaz S et al. Cancers, 2024; 16(6): 1091



## CT-03: MCL-1 – a critical pathway for cancer resistance



#### MCL-1 degraders advantage over inhibitors

MCL-1 inhibition increases its stability, through its aberrant phosphorylation and consequent accumulation<sup>1</sup>.

The result of MCL-1 accumulation is a cellular rewiring that affects cardiomyocyte viability *via* necrosis, not apoptosis<sup>2</sup>.

None of the MCL-1 inhibitors progressed significantly in clinical development due to safety issues, i.e. cardiotoxicity.

Since degraders induce rapid apoptosis of cancer cells via reduction of MCL-1 levels and provide homeostatic levels of MCL-1 in cardiac myocytes, they are expected to avoid toxicity seen with the class of inhibitors.

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- 2. Kotschy A et al. Nature, 2016; 538(7626): 477-482

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CT-03 (MCL-1)

## MCL-1: a high potential cancer target

#### Highly attractive target with application in numerous cancer markets

#### Hematological malignancies

Multiple Myeloma (MM) Est. \$53B by 2030<sup>1</sup>

Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) Est. \$6B by 2028<sup>2</sup>

Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (NHL) Est. \$16B by 2032<sup>3</sup>

#### Selected solid tumors

Small cell lung cancer (SCLC) Est. \$6.5B by 20314

Est. \$36.9B by 2031<sup>5</sup>

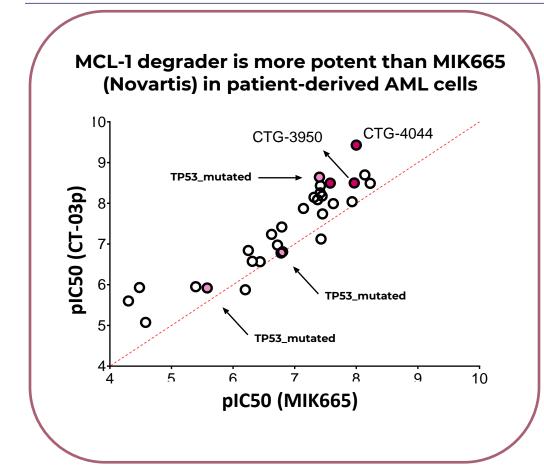
Non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) Triple-negative breast cancer (TNBC) Est. \$1.5B by 2030<sup>6</sup>

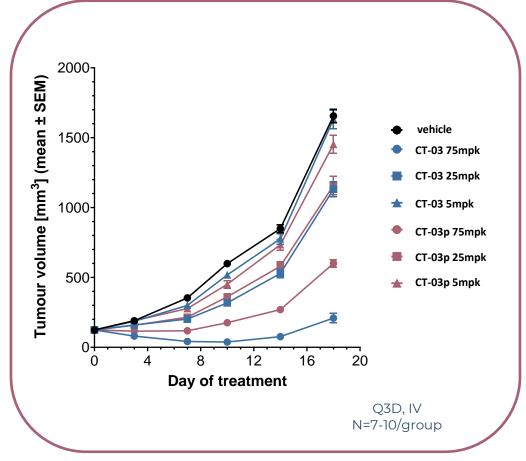
Despite years of effort, no MCL-1 targeting drug has been approved and several inhibitors have been associated with toxicity

Captor has nominated a candidate, CT-03p (prodrug); neither has shown any evidence to date of cardiotoxicity in keeping with their different mode of action



## High potency of MCL-1 degraders in AML patient samples ex vivo & in-vivo leukemia model



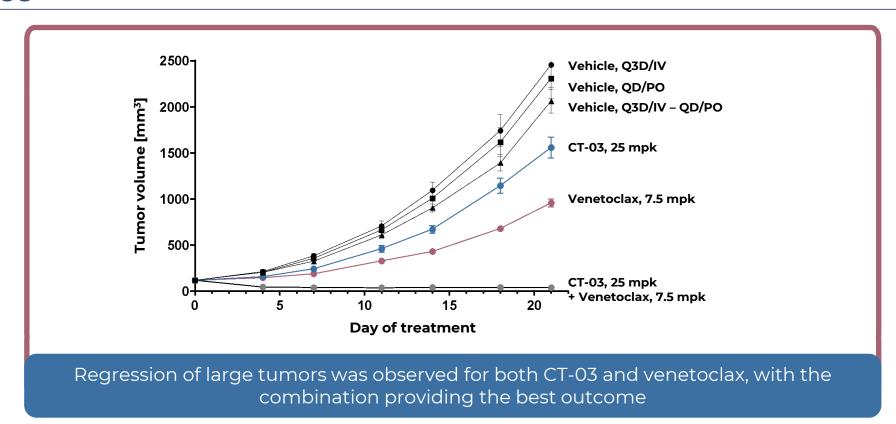


CT-03 – active compound; CT-03p – produg of CT-03

CT-03p (prodrug) is more potent than MIK665 (Novartis) in a panel of 30 PDC cell lines and shows nM activity in cells refractory to gilteritinib and venetoclax



# Combined of MCL-1 degrader with venetoclax regresses AML tumors in mice

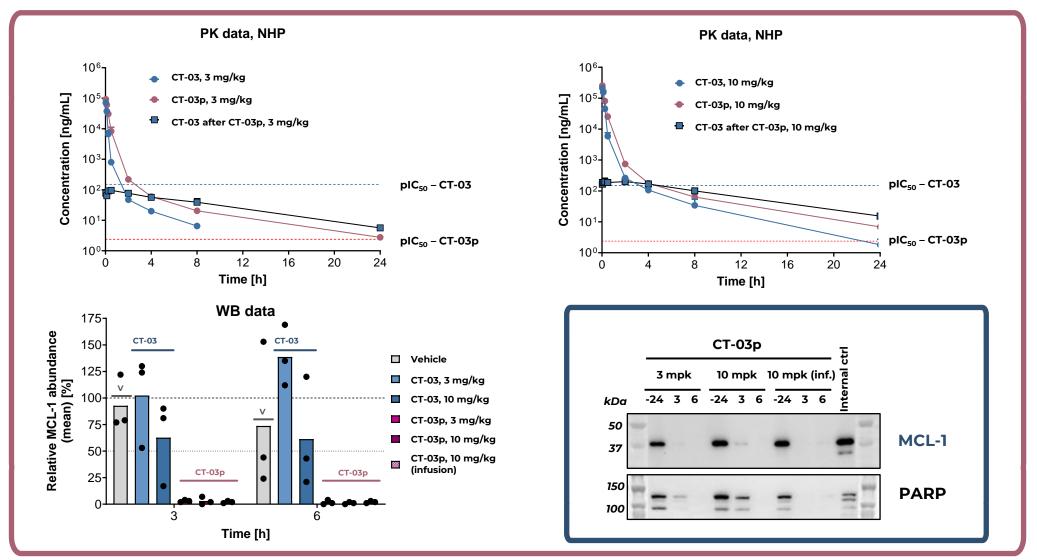


CT-03 was administered 8 times, every 3 days (Q3D) intravenously and venetoclax was administered daily (QD) orally

CT-03 in combination with venetoclax strongly inhibits cancer growth in MV4-11 Human Leukaemia Xenograft Model

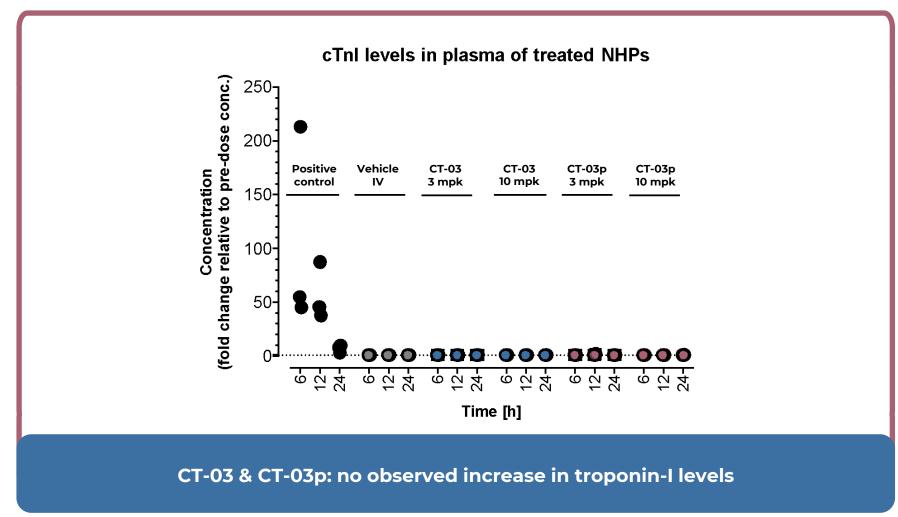


## Degradation of MCL-1 in NHP after single IV dose of degraders





## Cardiotoxicity marker Troponin I in plasma of NHPs after CT-03 dosing



\*Cardiotoxic positive control - Isoproterenol 3mg/kg, Vasopressin 0.3mg/kg CT-03 - active compound; CT-03p - produg of CT-03



#### CT-03 candidate drug with unmatched therapeutic window

#### Strong differentiation from MCL-1 inhibitors

- Pharmacology of MCL-1 degradation vs. pharmacology of accumulation (inhibitors)
- No accumulation of MCL-1 protein
- No cardiotoxicity observations in MTD, DRF in NHPs by any means
- Very high degradation potency in mouse models, in NHP and in human cells ex vivo
- Candidate drug in place

#### Initial indications

- Hematological cancers
- Solid tumors

#### Expected milestones

• IND-enabling studies completion in H2 2025



## CT-02: First-in-Class NEK7 Degraders for Autoimmune (CT-02S), Neuroinflammation & Obesity (CT-02B)



## Significant market opportunities for Captor's NEK7 degraders

**CT-02S** CPT-635(r)

#### Peripheral autoimmunity

NEK7 degraders could be used in combination with available therapeutics to manage comorbidities

Three significant therapeutic areas:

| Obesity/ Metabolic | Autoimmune | Cardiovascular |
|--------------------|------------|----------------|
| Opesity/ Metapolic | Autommune  | Caralovascala  |

16% living with 5-10% of global 19.8M deaths in 2022 obesity worldwide $^5$  population $^6$  due to CVD $^7$ 

#### Global market size (2030):

\$100B<sup>1</sup> \$10.9B<sup>2</sup> \$152.6B<sup>3</sup>

**CT-02B** CPT-732(r)

#### **Neurodegenerative diseases**

Growing evidence for role of pathological activation of innate immunity in the pathogenesis of NDDs

Limited treatment strategies available: opportunity to target neuroinflammation via NEK7 degradation & inhibit disease progression

Alzheimer's: 35.8M patients worldwide<sup>10</sup>

Parkinson's: 8.5M patients worldwide (2019)<sup>11</sup>

Multiple Sclerosis: 2.8M patients worldwide<sup>12</sup>

Huntington's: 400,000 patients worldwide8

ALS: 362,000 patients worldwide<sup>9</sup>

NDD market size is estimated to reach \$75B<sup>4</sup> by 2030

<sup>11. .</sup> https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/parkinson-disease





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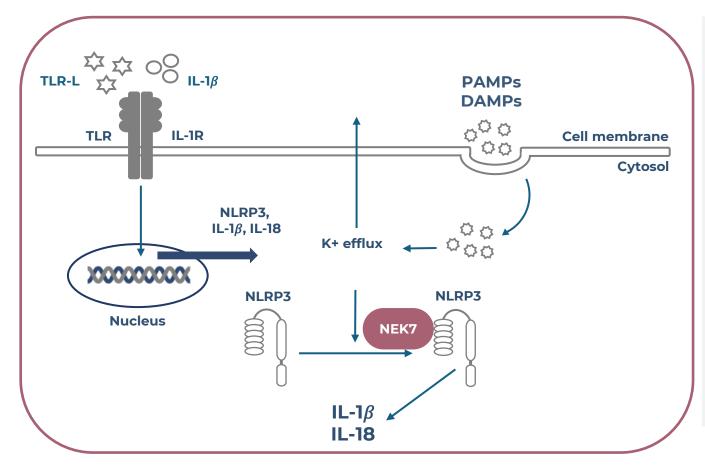
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<sup>10.</sup> https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/dementia

#### NEK7 as a new target of the NLRP3 inflammasome pathway



#### **NEK7** overview

NEK7 is master regulator of the NLRP3 inflammasome complex through its scaffolding function

NEK7 KO/KD in mouse abrogates production of IL-1 beta in response to stimulating factors.

Haploinsufficient, NEK7<sup>+/-</sup>, mice show no internal anatomical or growth abnormalities.

Antagonists of IL-1β or IL-1R are approved in:

CAPS syndromes (FCAS, MWS, NOMID)

inflammatory disorders, e.g. familial mediterranean fever (FMF), tumor necrosis factor receptor associated periodic syndrome (TRAPS), hyperimmunoglobulin D syndrome (HIDS) / mevalonate kinase deficiency (MKD), Still's disease, and gouty arthritis.

Degradation of NEK7 inhibits the production of pro-inflammatory cytokines in *in vitro* models and halts disease progression in pre-clinical mouse models of chronic NLRP3-related diseases\*.



<sup>1.</sup> Shi et al; Nature Immunology, vol 17 (2016);

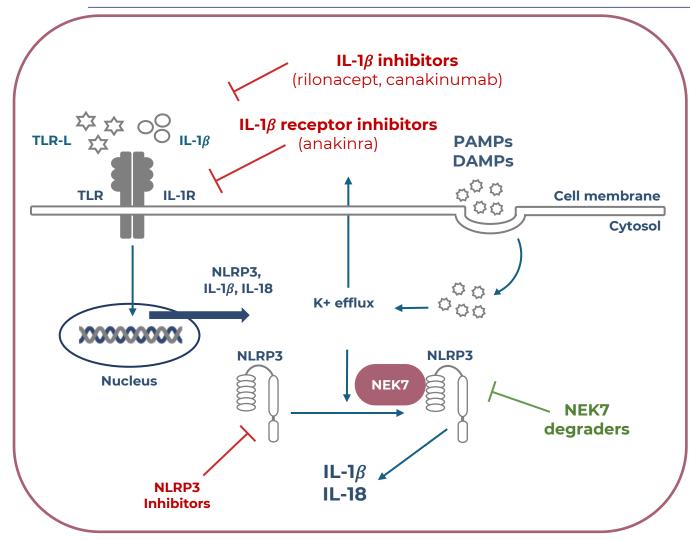
<sup>2.</sup> Sharif et al.; Nature, vol 570, (2019);

<sup>3.</sup> He et al.; Nature, vol 530, (2016);

<sup>4.</sup> Walle and Lamkanafi; Nature Reviews Drug Discovery vol 23

<sup>\*</sup>own results conducted by Captor Therapeutics

#### NEK7 as a new target of the NLRP3 inflammasome pathway



#### Differentiation

#### From anti-IL-1 $\beta$ antagonists:

Once daily oral administration instead of injection

Uncoupling pharmacokinetics from pharmacodynamics potentially offers a better safety profile

#### From NLRP3 inhibitors:

Uncoupling pharmacokinetics from pharmacodynamics potentially offers a better safety profile and prolonged efficacy

High safety profile: due to multiple functions of NLRP3 outside of the inflammasome, there are serious safety concerns about NLRP3 inhibitors

Complete IL-1 $\beta$  shutdown potentially manifests in recurring infections

NLRP3 requires high coverage by inhibitors, which is recapitulated in increased frequency of dosing (BID) of some of the clinical compounds, e.g. DFV890 (Novartis)

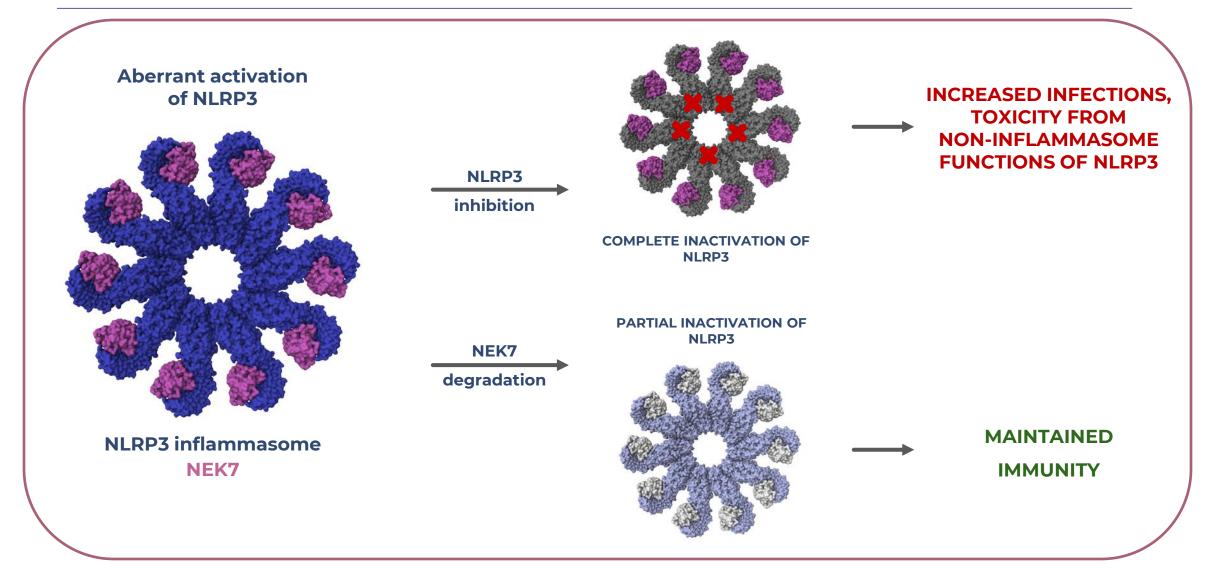


<sup>1.</sup> Molina-Lopez et al; Nature Communications, vol 15, (2024); https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/medicines/human/EPAR/ilaris

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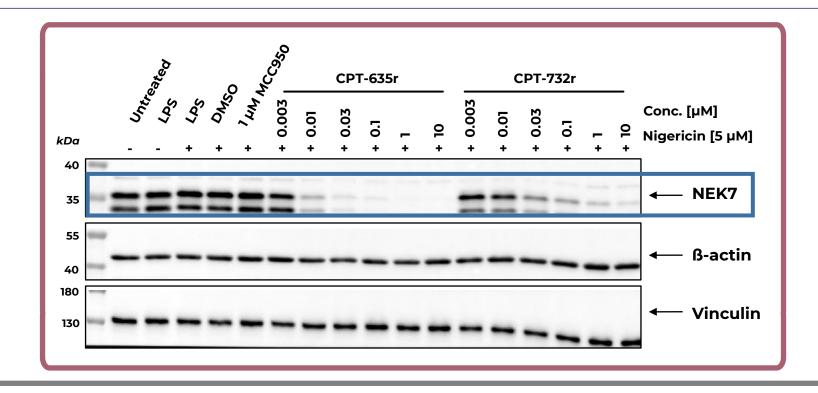
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## Intervention in NLRP3 pathway via NEK7 degradation





## Potent degradation of NEK7 in human macrophages in vitro

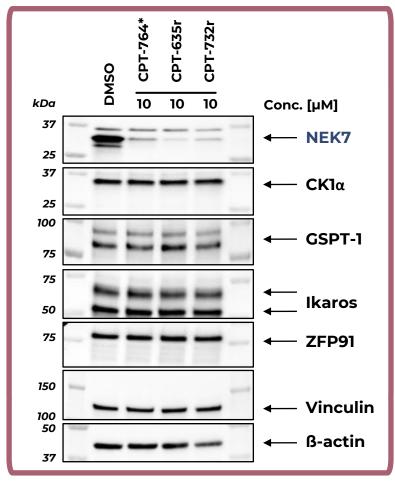


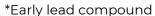
CPT-635r and CPT-732r degrade NEK7 protein dose-dependently in human PBMC-derived macrophages with LPS+Nigericin activated inflammasome

Human PBMC differentiated into macrophages with M-CSF; treatment with compounds – 24h; inflammasome activation: LPS – 3h, Nigericin – 1h MCC950 – NLRP3 inhibitor (Roche/Inflazome); CPT-635r – racemate of CPT-635, CPT-732r – racemate of CPT-732

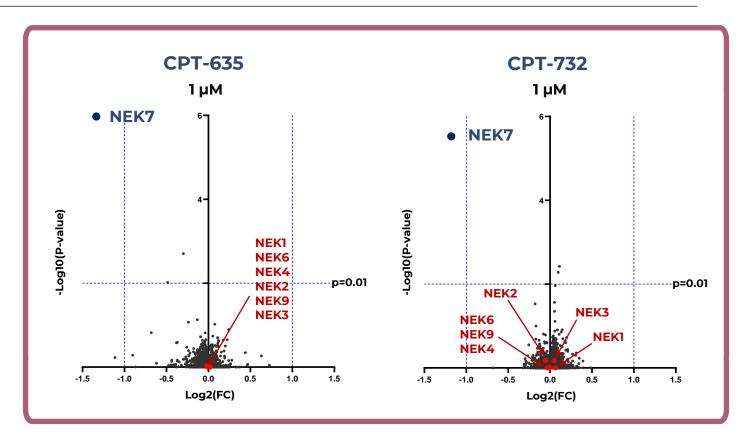


# High selectivity of NEK7 molecular glue degraders





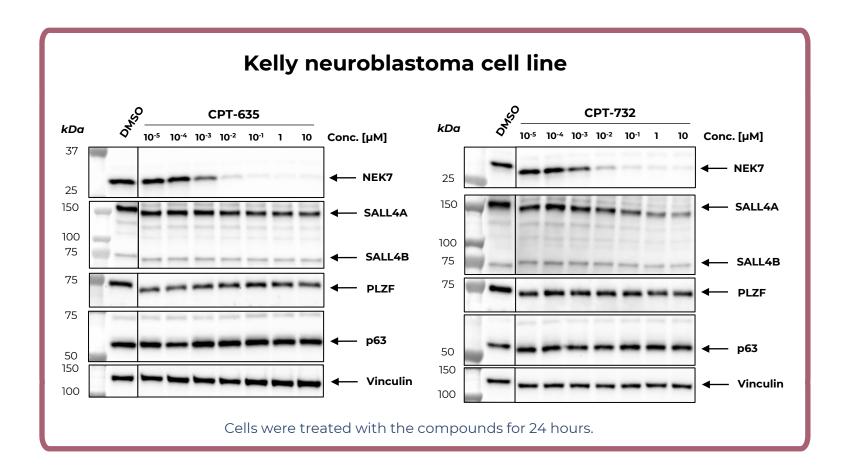
CPT-635r - racemate of CPT-635, CPT-732r - racemate of CPT-732



Confirmed degradation of NEK7 in hPBMCs No off-targets, even at high doses



# High selectivity of diastereoisomers against teratogenic targets



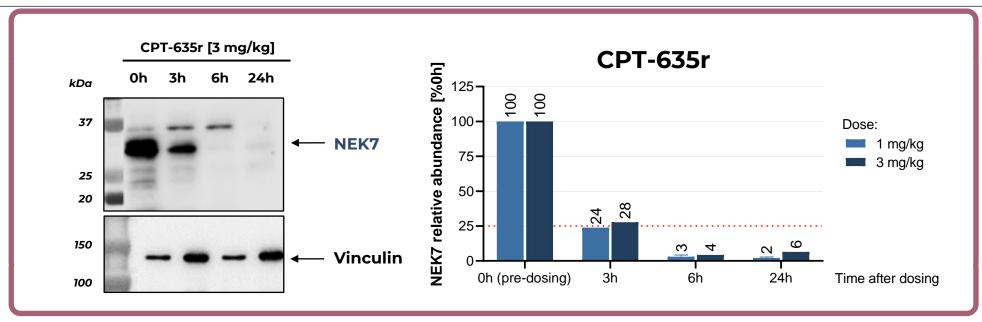
High selectivity against off-targets suspected of teratogenicity:

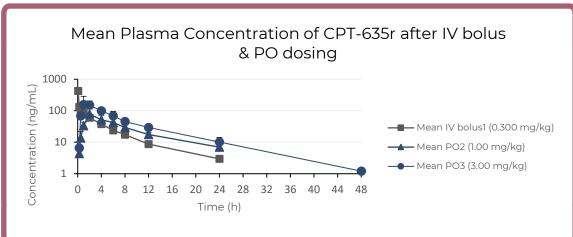
SALL4, PLZF and p63

|  | Target | CPT-635          |                  | CPT-732          |                  |  |
|--|--------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--|
|  |        | DC <sub>50</sub> | D <sub>max</sub> | DC <sub>50</sub> | D <sub>max</sub> |  |
|  | NEK7   | 0.809 nM         | 99.2%            | 2.77 nM          | 95.6%            |  |
|  | SALL4A | >10 µM           | 39.2%            | >10 µM           | 48.7%            |  |
|  | PLZF   | >10 µM           | 27.3%            | >10 µM           | 30.1%            |  |
|  | p63    | >10 µM           | 29.4%            | >10 µM           | 0%               |  |



# CPT-635r efficiently covers & degrades NEK7 in NHPs after a single dose

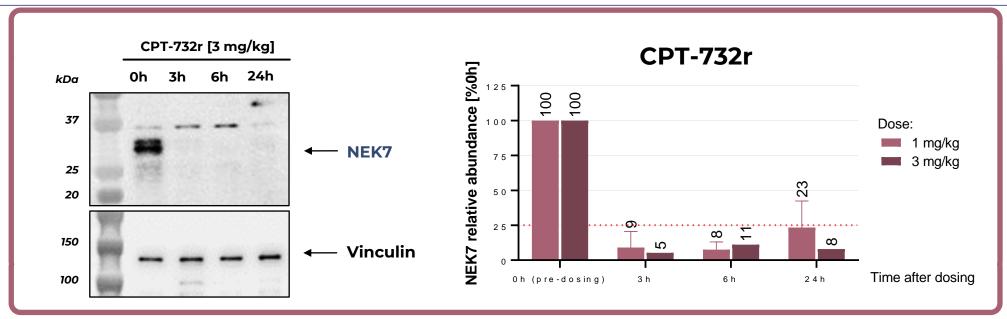


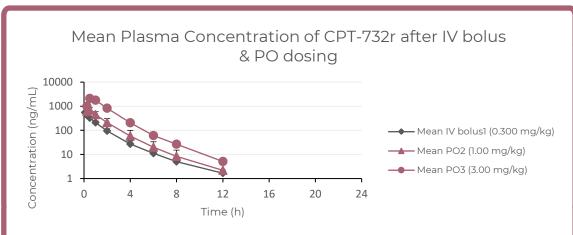


NEK7 degradation observed in monkey PBMCs isolated at 3, 6, and 24 h after PO administration of CPT-635r [1 & 3 mg/kg]



# CPT-732r efficiently covers & degrades NEK7 in NHPs after a single dose

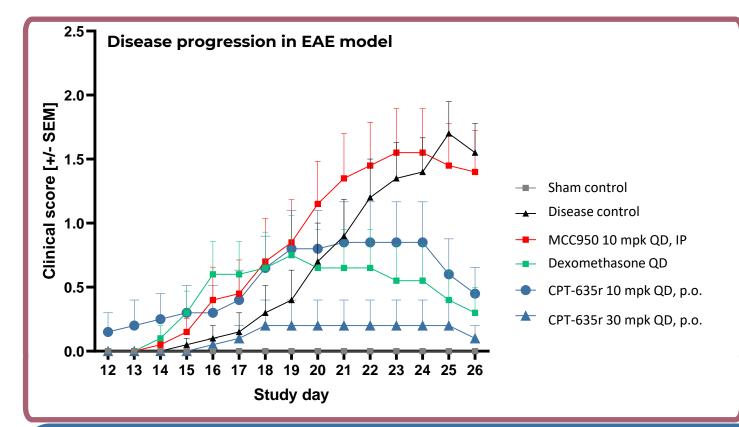




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CT-02 (NEK7)

# High efficacy of CPT-635r with oral dosing in EAE mouse model in vivo



| Clinical<br>Score | Clinical Sign  |  |  |
|-------------------|--|--|--|
| 0                 | Normal mouse; no overt signs of disease                                |  |  |
| 0.5               | Tail weakness/partial tail weakness (50% of length)                    |  |  |
| 1                 | Loss of tail tonicity (complete tail paralysis)/ Limp tail             |  |  |
| 1.5               | Limp tail and weakness in one hind limb                                |  |  |
| 2                 | Partial hind limb paralysis/ Limp tail and weakness in both hind limbs |  |  |
| 2.5               | Both hind limbs have some movement, but both are dragging at the feet  |  |  |

Dosing: QD (once a day)
Route of administration:
CPT-513, dexamethasone - PO
MCC950 - IP

C57BL/6 female mice (10 mice per group)

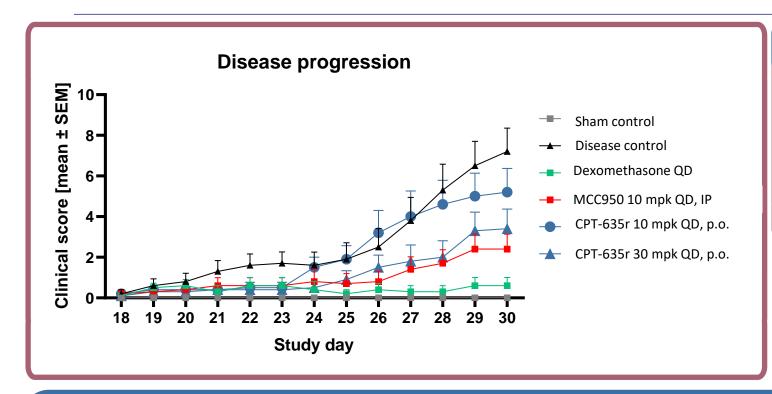
Clinical score/ disease index monitored based on a predefined scale including motor skills and tail / limb weakness

Treatment for 16 days did not induce any side effects

Body weight in the groups treated with NEK7 degraders was higher than in the group treated with Dexamethasone

Note: CPT-635r is approximately 40% less potent (DC50) in murine systems compared to human / primate

#### Therapeutic potential of NEK7 degraders in Collagen-Induced Arthritis model



| Clinical<br>Score | Clinical Sign   |
|-------------------|---|
| 0                 | No redness or swelling  |
| 1                 | Slight swelling in ankle and or redness in one toe                                  |
| 2                 | Progressive swelling from ankle to midfoot and or involvement of more than two toes |
| 3                 | Swelling and inflammation in entire foot  |
| 4                 | Swelling and inflammation in entire foot including toes                             |

Dosing: QD (once a day)
Route of administration:
CPT-513, dexamethasone - PO (oral)
MCC950 - IP (intraperitoneally)

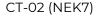
Male DBA1/J Mice (10 mice per group)

Clinical score/ disease index was assessed by trained, blinded personnel for swelling of digits/paws and erythema

Treatment over 32 days did not induce any side effects

Treatment with CPT-635r at a dose of 30 mg/kg reduced the clinical score by approximately 50% compared to the control group, to a degree comparable to MCC950. Dose-dependent therapeutic effect is observed (30 mpk vs.10 mpk)

T/B-cell driven; Collagen-Induced Arthritis





# Differentiated safety profile of NEK7 degraders vs. NLRP3 inhibitors

|   | CPT-635   | CPT-732  | NLRP3 inhibitors   |
|---|---|--|--|
| Structural features                                     | Classical scaffold  | Classical scaffold   | Most inhibitors based on<br>sulfonamides;<br>Anhydrases as off-targets <sup>5</sup>  |
| Inhibition of IL-1ß                                     | Max. 80-90%   | Max. 80-90%  | 100%   |
|   | NEK7  |  | NLRP3  |
| Alternative functions<br>(unrelated to<br>inflammasome) | Suspected role in mitotic spindle<br>formation,<br>but not seen with CTX degrader | <ul><li>Apoptosis reg</li><li>s (mice showed administration</li><li>Innate immur</li></ul> | nflammation, fibrosis, tissue repair <sup>1</sup> ulation in tubular cells in kidneys renal problems upon MCC950 n) <sup>2</sup> ne homeostasis in the airway <sup>3</sup> IL-33 production <sup>4</sup> |

<sup>1.</sup> https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/immunology/articles/10.3389/fimmu.2023.1214289/full



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## CT-02: Excellent degraders from two different strategies

Two series of potent NEK7 degraders:

autoimmune diseases (CPT-635) and neurodegenerative disorders (CPT-732, brain-penetrant)

Activity confirmed in vitro in mouse, monkey and human cells and in vivo in mice and monkeys

Specificity-driven safety demonstrated in *in vitro* analysis, *in vivo* tolerability studies and confirmed in the clean CEREP panel

PK/PD results in monkeys illustrate the attractive features of drug candidates

In vivo proof of efficacy in disease models with no signs of toxicity



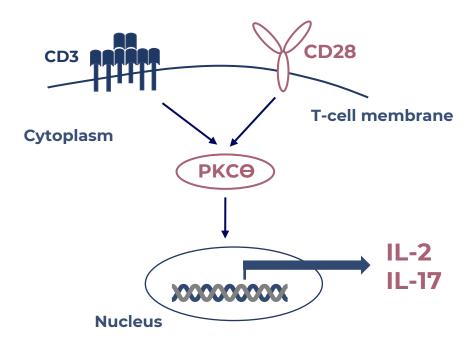


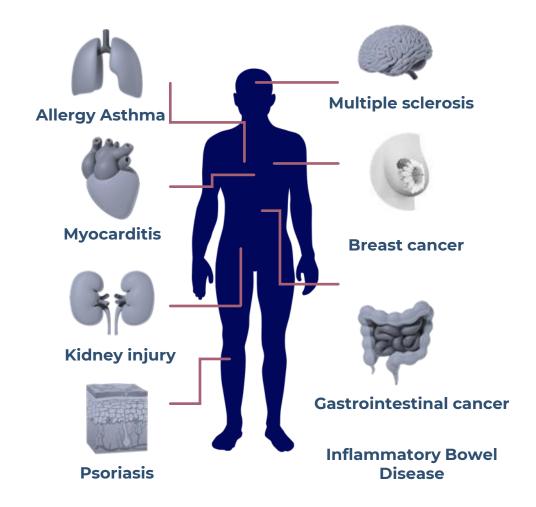
# CT-05: First-in-Class PKCO Degraders for Autoimmune Disorders



# PKCO: an undrugged high value target

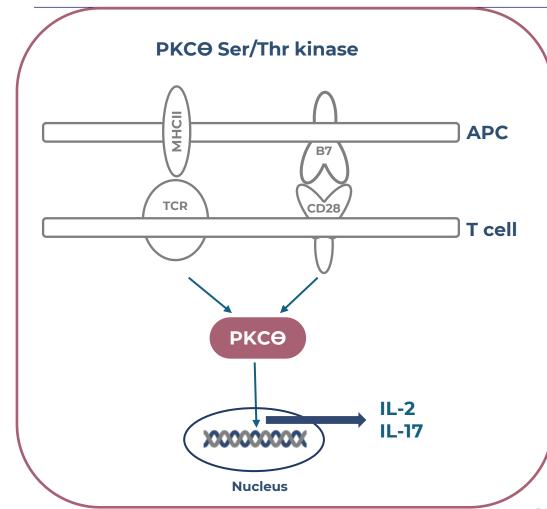
#### **TCR**







#### **PKCO Biology and target rationale**



- 1. PKC-theta in regulatory and effector T cell functions, Brezar V., 2015, Front. Immunol. 6
- 2. Intervention of PKC-θ as an immunosuppressive regimen, Sun Z., 2012, Front Immunol. 3: 225
- Meta-analysis of genome-wide association study data identifies additional type 1 diabetes risk loci, Cooper J.D., 2008, Nat. Genet. 40, 1399–1401
- Common variants at CD40 and other loci confer risk of rheumatoid arthritis, Raychaudhuri S., 2008, Nat. Genet. 40, 1216–1223
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- 6. Meta-analysis of genome-wide association studies in celiac disease and rheuma toid arthritis identifies fourteen non HLA shared loci., Zhernakova A., 2011, PLoS Genet. 7, e1002004

#### **Target Biology and rationale**

PKCO has a thoroughly established role in regulatory and effector T cell functions<sup>1,2</sup>

PRCKQ locus was shown associated with several immune-related diseases in multiple GWAS studies (type I diabetes, rheumatoid arthritis, celiac disease)<sup>3-6</sup>

#### **Human and mouse genetics**

PKCO KO mice show impaired *in vivo* T cell activation, decreased IL-17 production and are protected from T cell-mediated inflammatory diseses (EAE, colitis)<sup>7,8</sup>

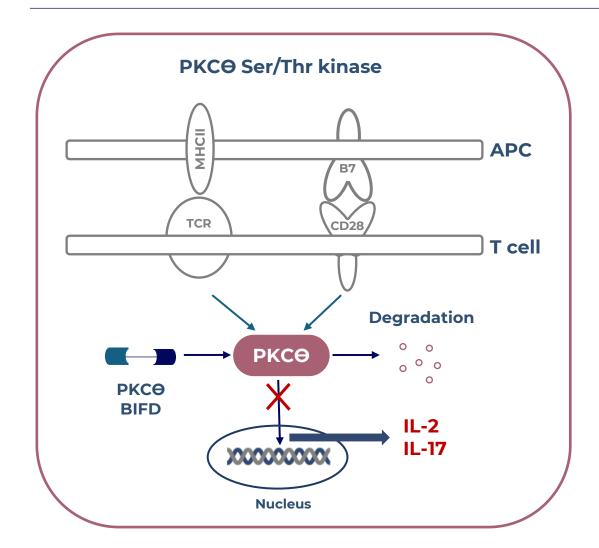
#### **Clinical pathway validation**

PKC $\Theta$  inhibitor – Sotrastaurin (AEB071) – has been shown effective in preventing IL-17 production and to have a potential for therapeutic option in psoriasis<sup>9-11</sup>

Currently, undergoing clinical evaluation is a novel inhibitor from Exscientia / BMS

- 7. Mice deficient in PKC theta demonstrate impaired in vivo T cell activation and protection from T cell-mediated inflammatory diseases, Anderson K., 2006, Autoimmunity, 6: 469-487
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- 9. The PKC inhibitor AEB071 may be a therapeutic option for psoriasis, Skvara H., 2008, J Clin Invest. 118(9): 3151-9
- 10. The protein kinase C inhibitor sotrastaurin allows regulatory T cell function, de Weerd A., 2013, Clin Exp. Immunol. 175(2): 296-304
- 11. Targeting PKC in Human T Cells Using Sotrastaurin (AEB07I) Preserves Regulatory T Cells and Prevents IL-17 Production, He X., 2013, J Invest dermatol. 134(4): 975-983

#### Rationale for targeted degradation of PKCO



PKCO is a master regulator of T cell differentiation, proliferation and functions.

Drawbacks of the 1st and 2nd generation PKCO inhibitors were related to multiple side effects due to unspecificity and insufficient target coverage.

The degrader offers disabling not only kinase but also scaffolding functions of the protein.

PKCO degradation has the potential to abolish T cell survival signal and promote the apoptosis of activated, self-reactive T cells in autoimmune diseases.



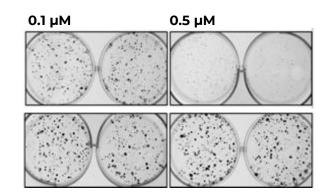
# **CPT-763** is highly selective in a panel of assays

Inhibitor shows significant effects on GIST-TI non-immune cells

Degrader has no effect in same system

Big Pharma compound CPT-191 Inadequate Selectivity

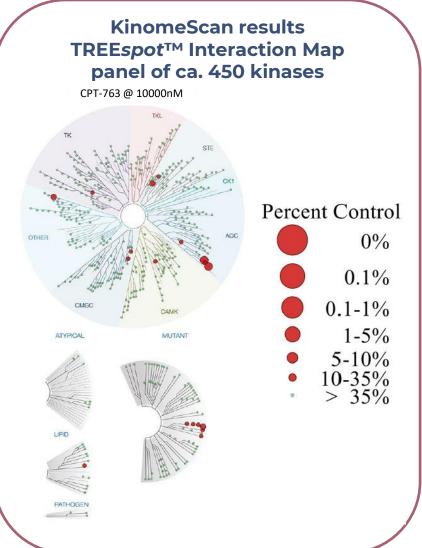
**CPT-763 High Selectivity** 



| Compound | IC <sub>50</sub> | I <sub>max</sub> | DC <sub>50</sub> |
|----------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| CPT-763  | 55 nM            | 82 %             | 29 nM            |
| CPT-191  | 98 nM            | 99 %             | N/A              |

 $IC_{50}$  and  $I_{max}$  values obtained in ELISA analysis

Excellent selectivity against a large number of kinases





#### **Summary**

- Established a screening workflow that allows for discovery of PKCθ degraders superior to existing inhibitors
  - Highly selective for PKCθ with no off-target toxicity
- Early stage of lead optimisation with 2 compounds has demonstrated:
  - In vitro: degradation of PKCθ in mouse & human T-cells & inhibition of IL-2 in human T-cells
  - *In vivo*: degradation of PKCθ in mouse splenocytes
- Next steps:
  - Partnering discussions





# Optigrade™ Targeted Protein Degradation Platform Molecular glues Bifunctional Degraders Novel E3 ligases

# LiLis™ program: developing novel E3 ligases beyond CRBN

- Expanding the range of targets for effective degradation
- CRBN down regulation-driven resistance mechanisms in cancer
- Crowded IP space for CRBN binders
- Opportunity for cell type or cell compartment specificity

# In-house developed E3 ligase production platform and is generating leads for novel E3s

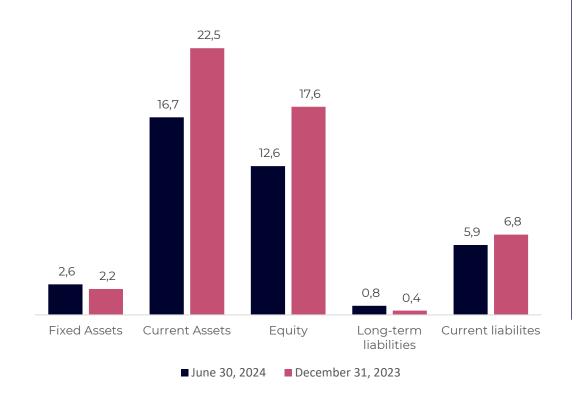


# **Finance Highlights**



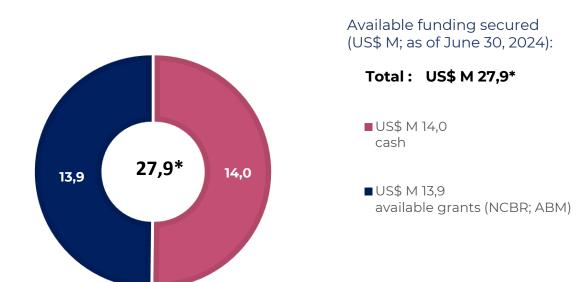
## **Balance sheet and cash position**

#### Consolidated statement of financial position (US\$, M)



Exchange rate USD/PLN as of June 28, 2024 – 4,0320

#### **Cash position**



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R&D costs in H1 2024:

Cash outflow in H1 2024:

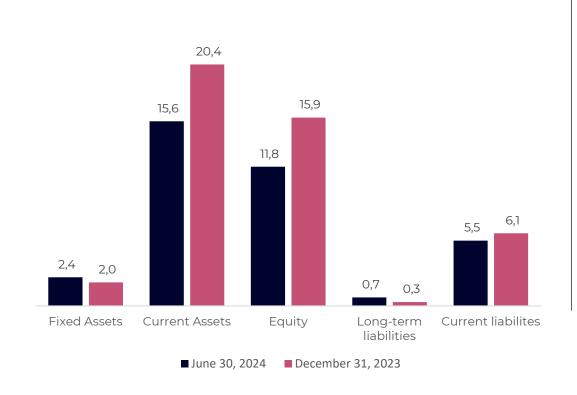
Total: US\$ M 6,2

Total: US\$ 4,3 M



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R&D costs in H1 2024:

Total: EUR 5,8 M

Net Operational Cash Outflow in H1 2024

Total: EUR 4,1 M

Current (September 2024) guidance indicates cash runway until Q3 2025





# **Balance sheet and cash position**

#### Consolidated statement of financial position (PLN, M)



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R&D costs in H1 2024:

Net Operational Cash Outflow in H1 2024:

Total: PLN 25,2 M

**Total: PLN 17,5 M** (H1 2023 -PLN 31,5 M)





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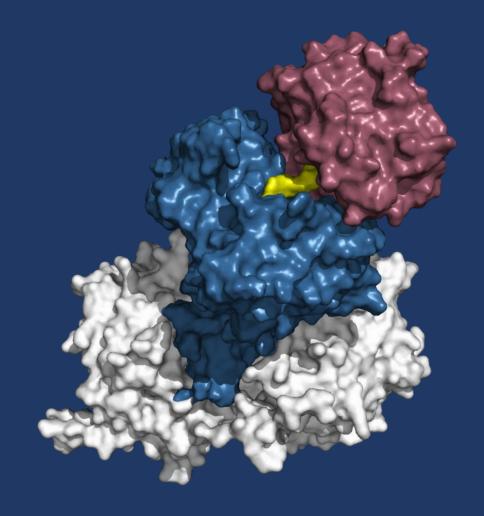
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Discovery and development of a new clinical drug candidate for the eradication of cancer stem cell in the treatment of hepatocellular carcinoma, through degradation of oncofetal transcription factor - Stage II

(POIR.01.01.IP.01-1001/23)

Inducing apoptosis with small molecules as therapeutic intervention in multiple severe malignancies (POIR.01.01.01-00-0956/17-01)

Inducing apoptosis with small molecules as therapeutic intervention in multiple severe malignancies – Stage II (FENG.01.01-IP.01-1002/23)

Application of targeted protein degradation technology in the treatment of psoriasis and rheumatoid arthritis (POIR.01.02.00-00-0079/18-00)

Development of an integrated technology platform in the field of targeted protein degradation and its implementation to the pharmaceutical market (POIR.01.01-00-0931/19-00)

Discovery and development of non-toxic ligase ligands and their application in the treatment of autoimmunological diseases (POIR.01.01-00-0741/19-00)













#### Project co-financed by the state budget from the Medical Research Agency:

Design and clinical development of a first-in-class small-molecule drug candidate for the treatment of colorectal cancer based on the stimulation of immune cells to increase anti-cancer activity through induced protein degradation (2022/ABM/06/00001 - 00)







