

ACTIVATING THE PATIENT'S IMMUNE SYSTEM TO FIGHT CANCER

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THE IMMUNO-ONCOLOGY REVOLUTION

- > **500,000** patients treated per year
- > **3,000** ongoing clinical trials
- > **40%** of US cancer patients eligible
- > **10** approved products



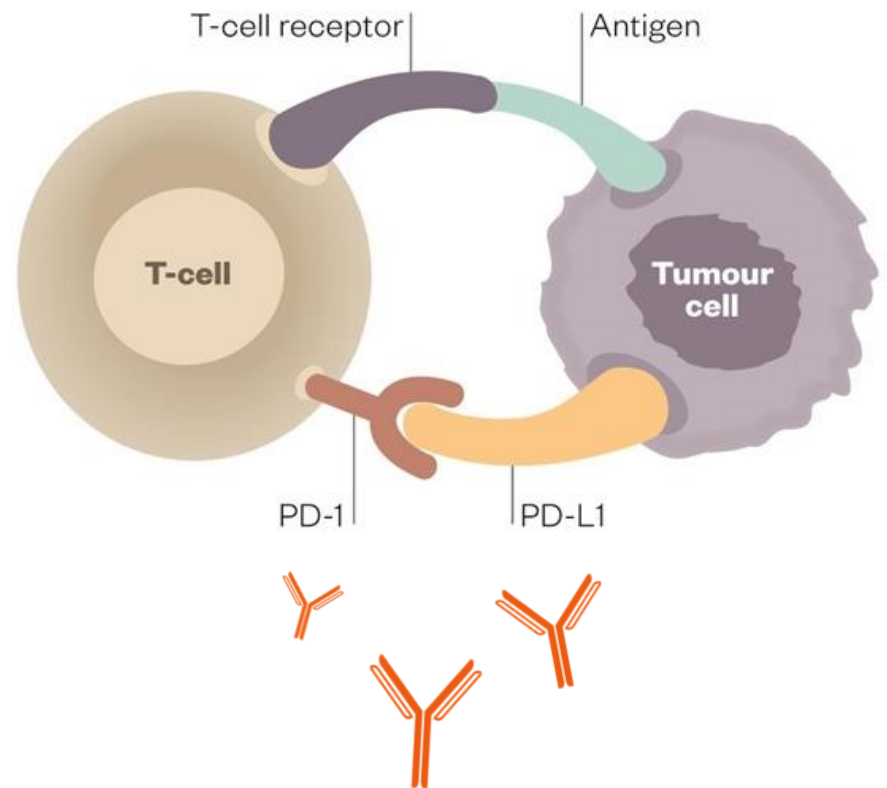
FIRST GENERATION IMMUNO-ONCOLOGY: CHECKPOINT INHIBITORS

Cornerstone of current
cancer treatment

Deep and durable responses

\$25b annual sales globally

8 products approved to date,
many more in development



THE CHALLENGE:

MAKE PD1 CHECKPOINT INHIBITORS WORK FOR MORE PATIENTS

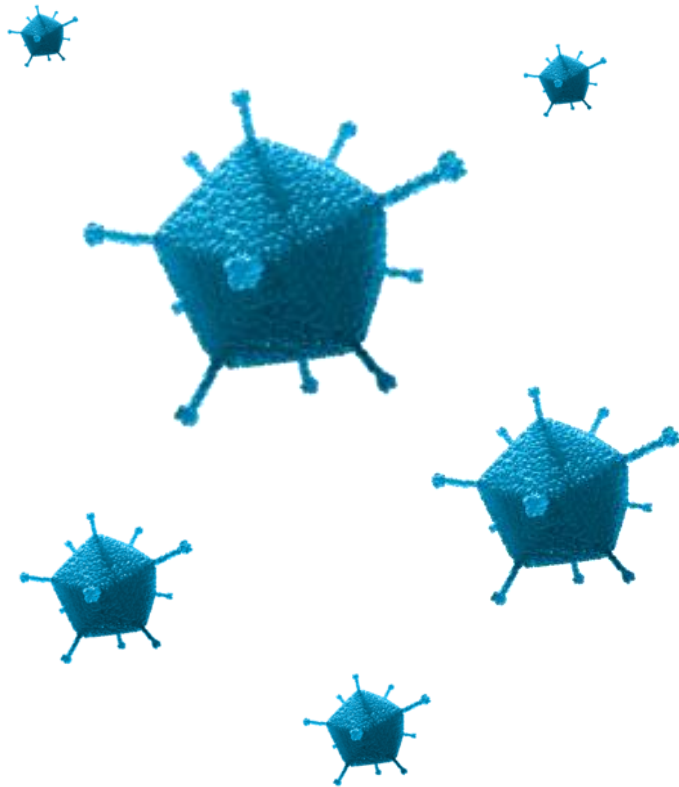


0-40% of treated patients
respond

>50% of responding
patients relapse

1 PD1 checkpoint inhibitor
monotherapy not sufficient

THE SOLUTION: IMMUNE ACTIVATION BY TARGOVAX'S ONCOLYTIC VIROTHERAPY ONCOS



Unblinds the tumor to the immune system

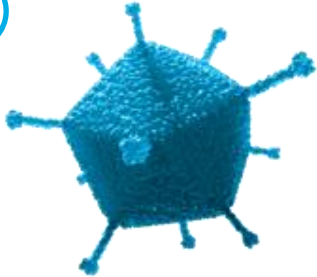
Primes the patient's T-cells to target cancer cells

Reverses immunosuppressive defense mechanisms in the tumor

Delivers immune stimulatory payloads

TARGOVAX IS CENTERED AROUND FOUR CORE IMMUNE ACTIVATOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

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ONCOS-102 intra-tumoral delivery

Clinical phase 2

- Efficacy and mechanism-of-action confirmed in multiple settings
- Class-leading data in PD1 refractory melanoma

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ONCOS-102 systemic delivery

Pre-clinical in vitro / in vivo

- Technology evaluation to enable virus “stealth” in circulation ongoing
- Broaden opportunity to deep / metastatic tumors

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ONCOS circRNA delivery platform

Discovery / in vitro PoC

- Build ONCOS vector platform for circRNA delivery
- Develop multi-functional vectors with coding and non-coding payloads

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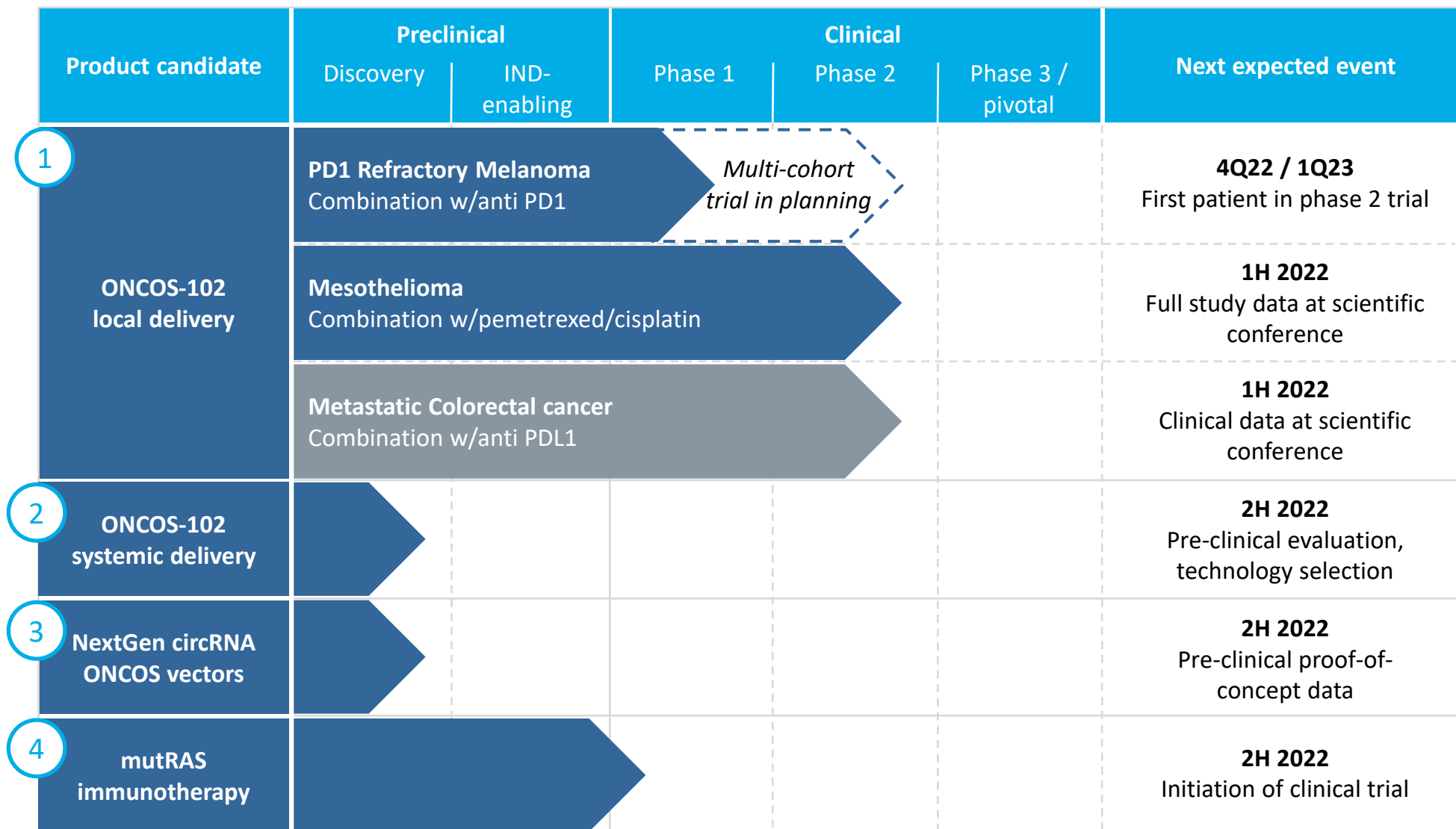


mutant KRAS immunotherapy

Clinical phase 1

- Clinical stage polyvalent mutKRAS vaccine
- Exploring novel KRAS IO concepts

TARGOVAX DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE



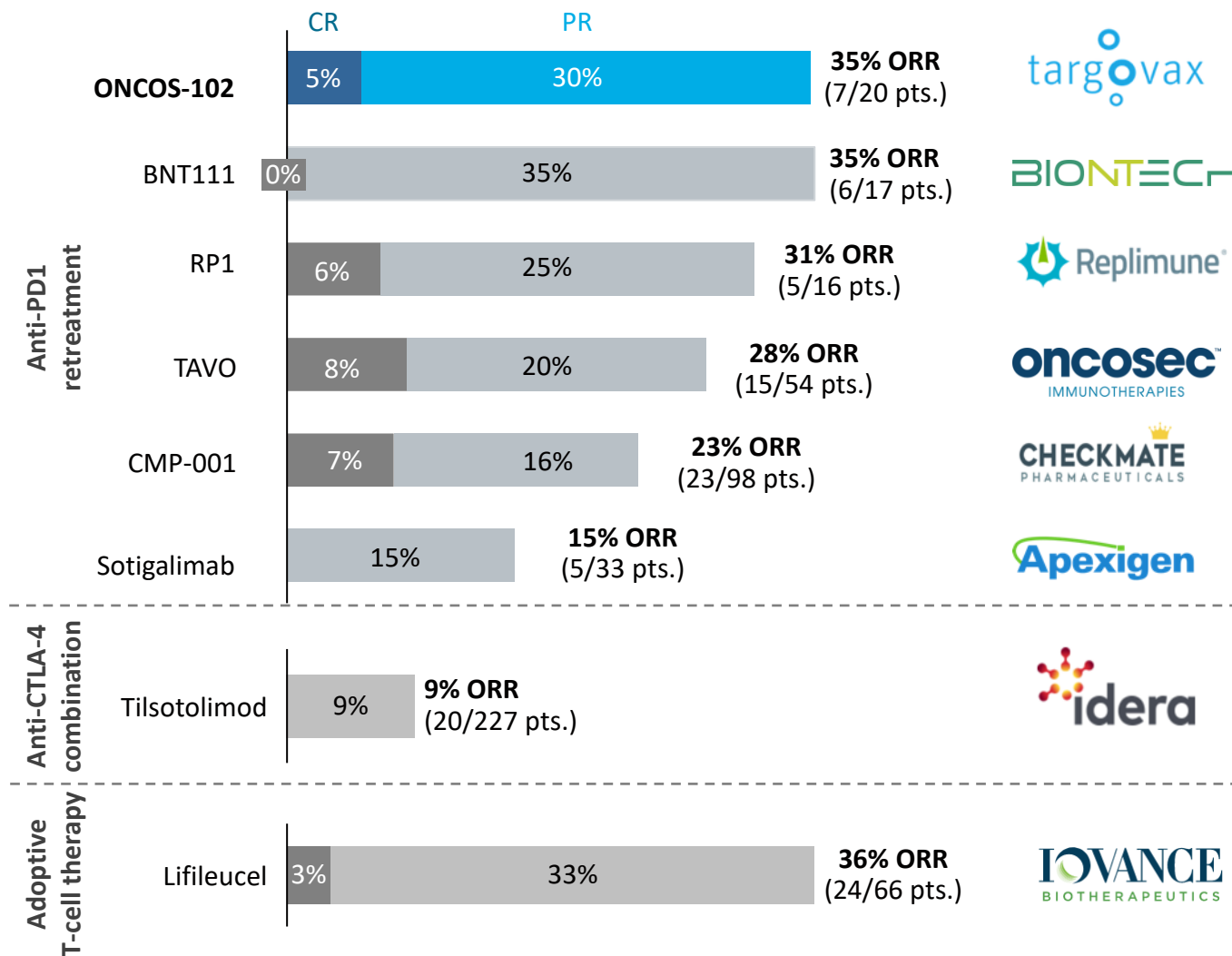
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ONCOS-102 intra-
tumoral delivery

TARGOVAX DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE

Product candidate	Preclinical		Clinical			Next expected event
	Discovery	IND-enabling	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3 / pivotal	
1 ONCOS-102 local delivery	PD1 Refractory Melanoma Combination w/anti PD1		Multi-cohort trial in planning			4Q22 / 1Q23 First patient in phase 2 trial
	Mesothelioma Combination w/pemetrexed/cisplatin					1H 2022 Full study data at scientific conference
	Metastatic Colorectal cancer Combination w/anti PDL1					1H 2022 Clinical data at scientific conference
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CLASS LEADING ORR OF 35% SHOWN IN PD1 REFRACTORY MELANOMA PHASE 1 STUDY



CASE EXAMPLE: PARTIAL RESPONSE IN PATIENT REFRACTORY TO BOTH T-VEC AND ANTI-PD1

Tumor response, 2 of 2 injected lesions

Baseline

Week 3

Week 9

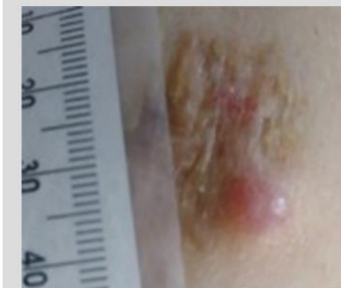
Week 18

Week 27 (EoS)

Lesion 1 of 2



Lesion 2 of 2



Progression on pembrolizumab

3x ONCOS-102
(no pembrolizumab)

3x ONCOS-102 &
2x pembrolizumab

3x ONCOS-102 &
5x pembrolizumab

3x ONCOS-102 &
8x pembrolizumab

Patient characteristics

Tumor stage at enrolment:

IV
T4a, N1b, M1

Prior therapies:

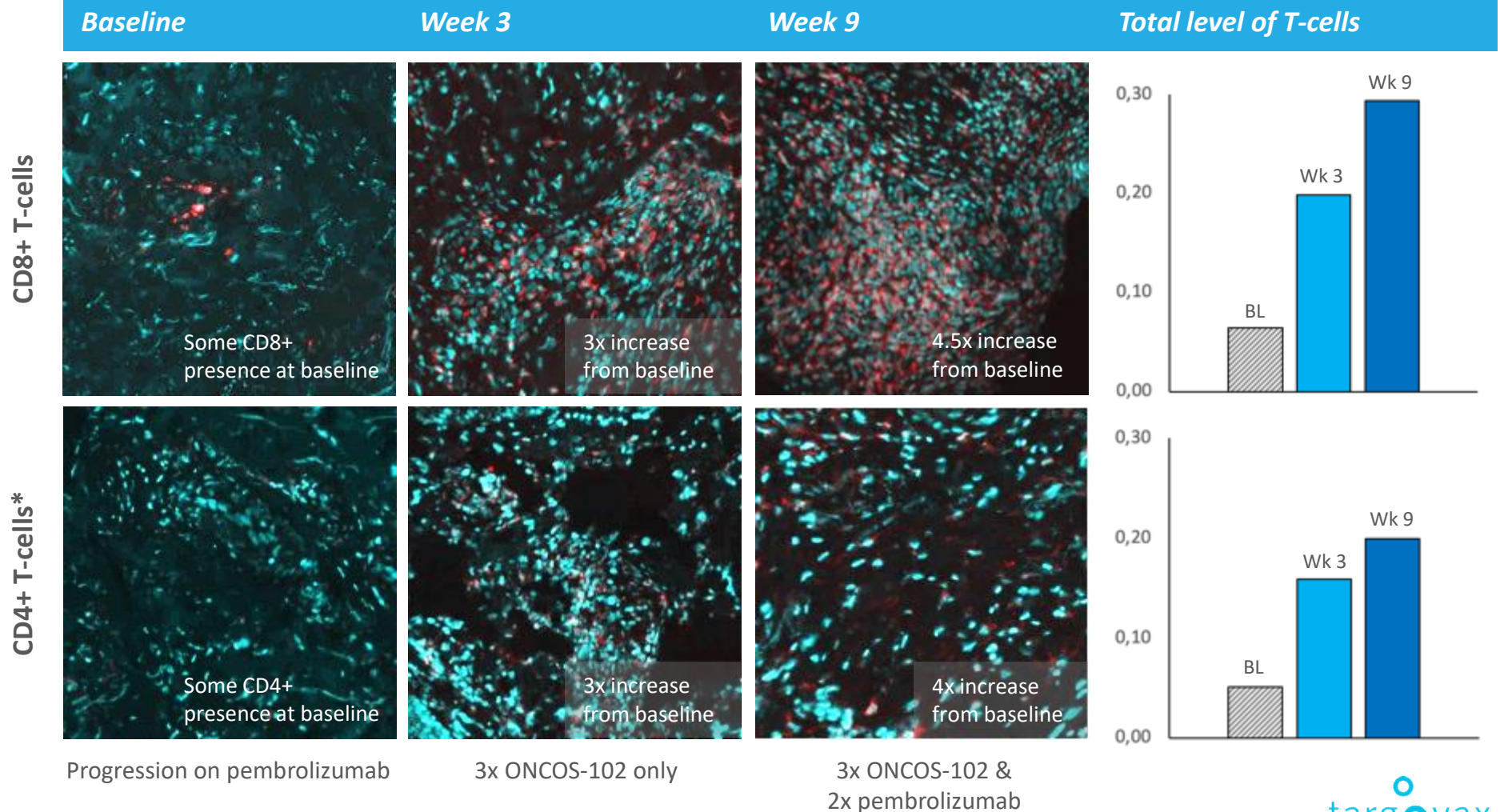
Surgery
Talimogene-laherparepvec (T-vec)
Ipilimumab
Pembrolizumab

RECIST 1.1:

PR, week 9-27

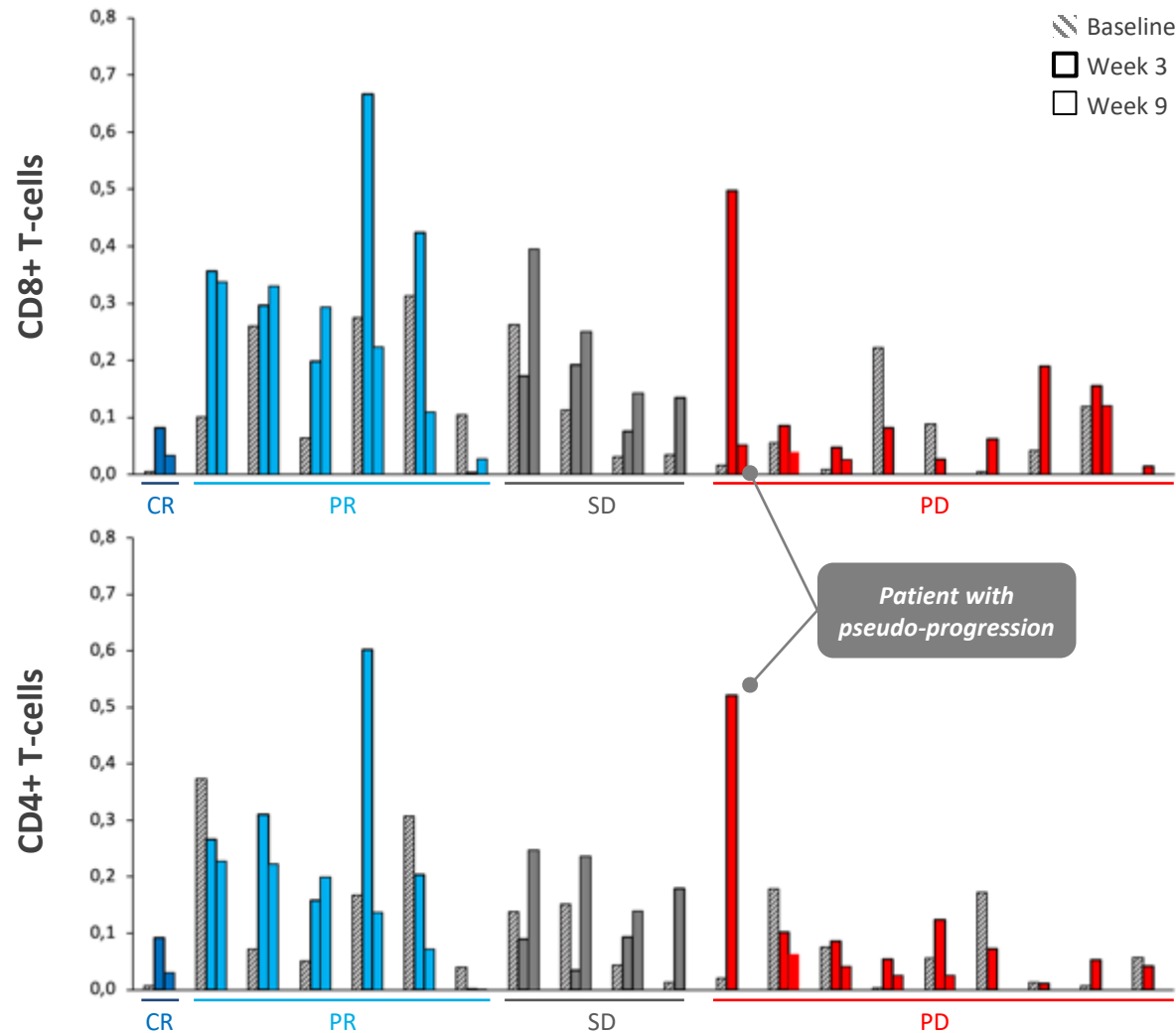
CASE EXAMPLE: PARTIAL RESPONSE PATIENT REFRACTORY TO T-VEC - T-CELL INFILTRATION

T-cell infiltrate, 1 of 2 injected lesions

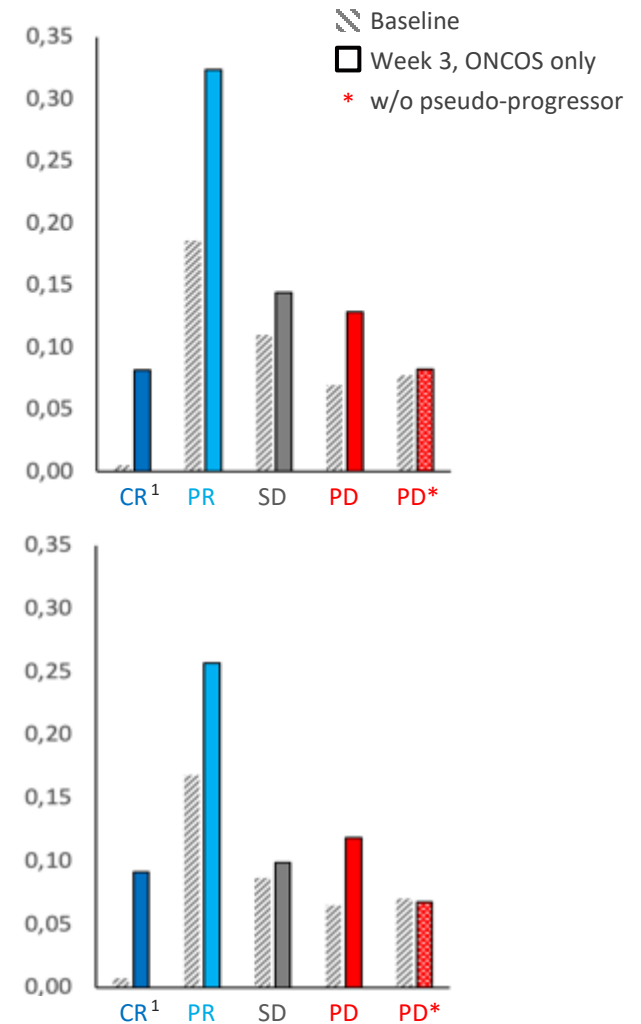


INCREASED T-CELL INFILTRATION IS CONSISTENT ACROSS PATIENTS, AND ASSOCIATED WITH CLINICAL RESPONSE

T-cell infiltrate (TIL) for individual patients; tumor mIHC, relative level



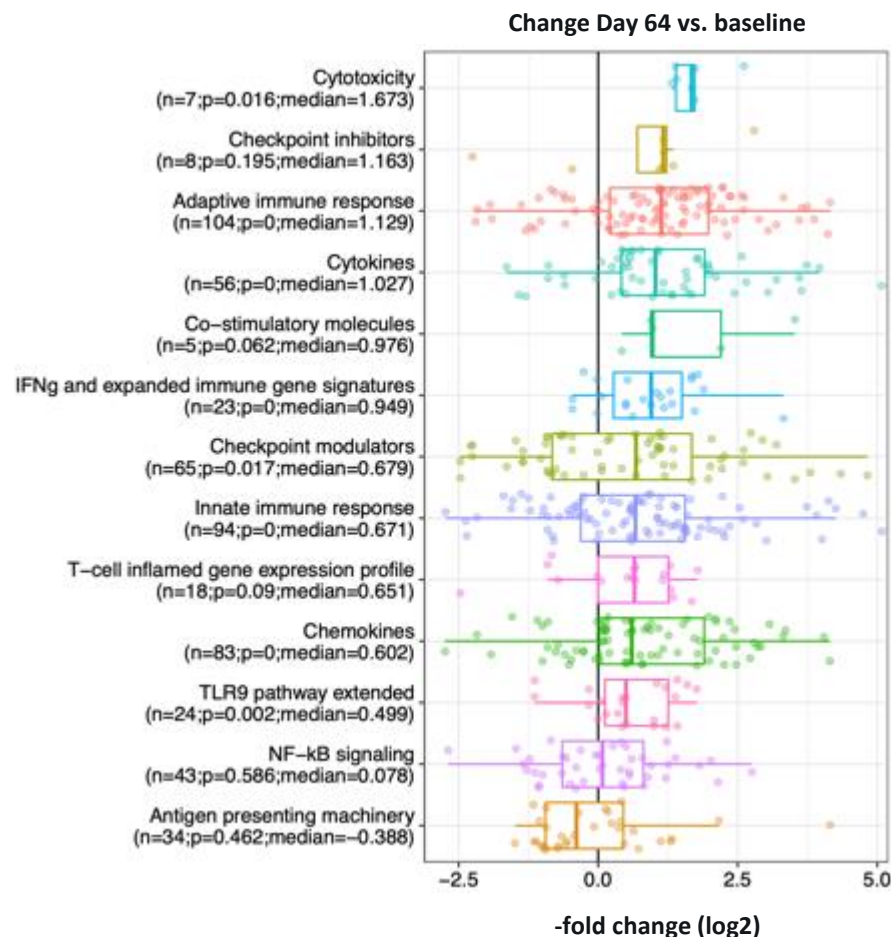
Average T-cell level per group



GENE EXPRESSION DATA CONFIRMS IHC OBSERVATIONS AND DETAILS BROAD PRO-INFLAMMATORY TUMOR RE-PROGRAMING

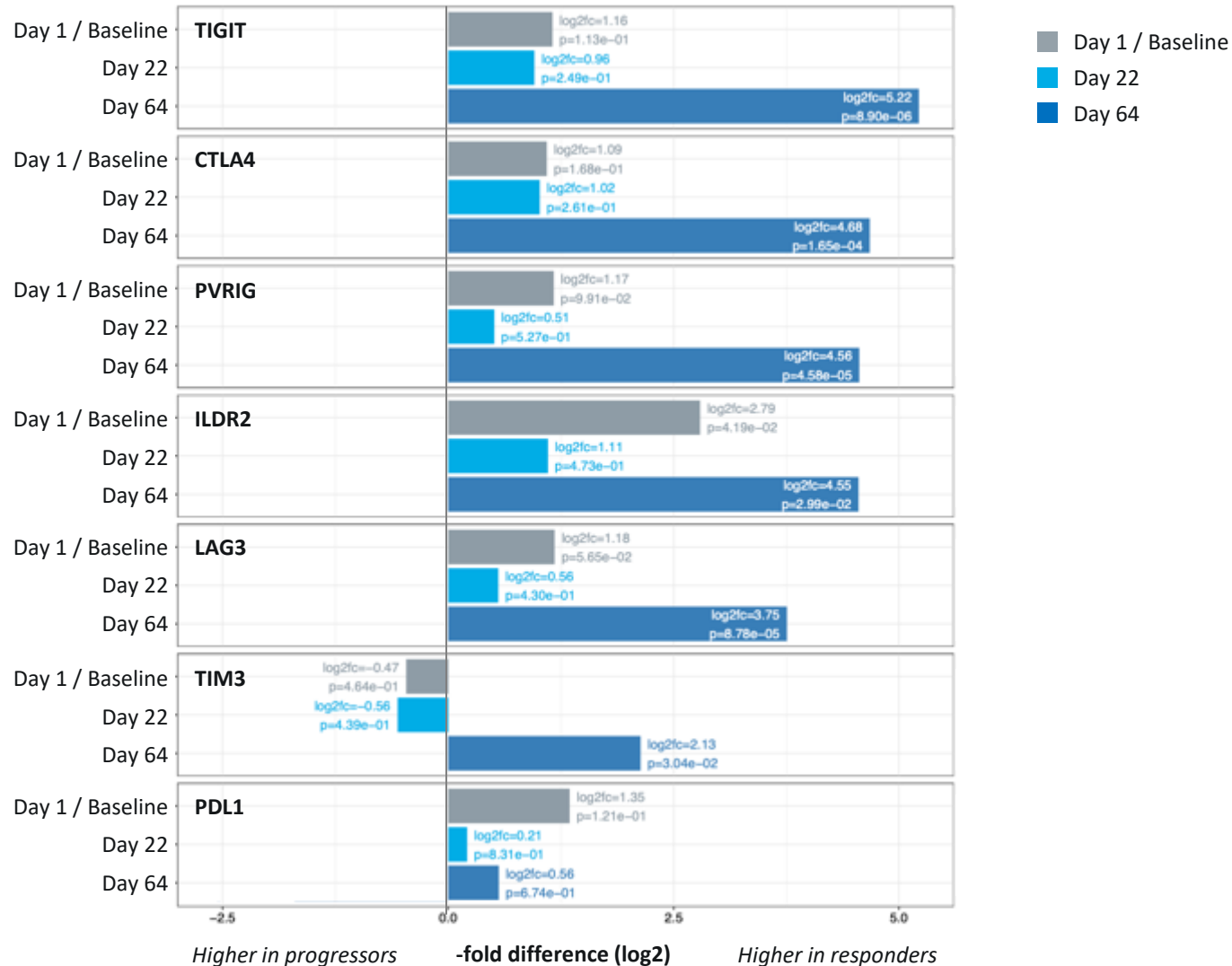
RNAseq gene expression provides further insights:

- **Pro-inflammatory “hot” tumor remodeling** through multiple pathways and molecular mechanisms
- **“Hot” tumor remodeling persists** at least until Day 64, following 6 ONCOS-102 IT administrations and 3 weeks post previous ONCOS-102 injection
- Increased expression of chemokines and cytokines **explain higher immune cell infiltrate**
- Strong upregulation of cytotoxic machinery **explains tumor shrinkage**
- Upregulation of immunomodulatory molecules present **targets for novel combinations beyond anti-PD1**



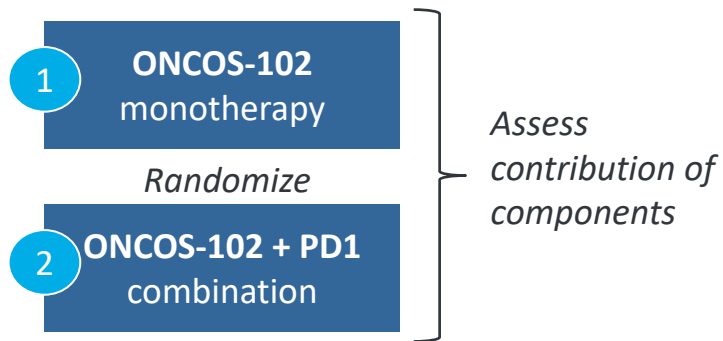
ONCOS-102 DRIVES ROBUST UPREGULATION OF IMMUNE CHECKPOINT INHIBITORS, PARTICULARLY IN RESPONDERS

Expression of immune checkpoint inhibitors, tumor biopsy RNAseq, difference in PR vs. PD patients

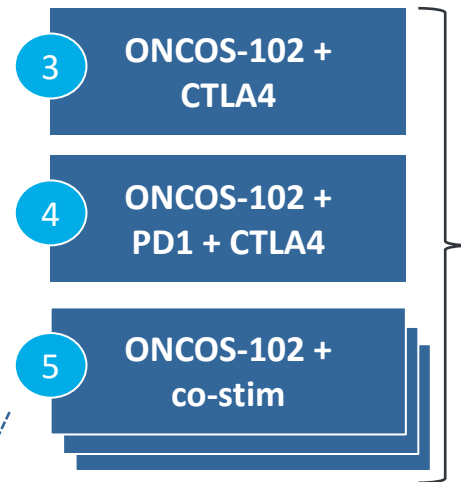


NEXT STEP: MULTI-COHORT PHASE 2 TRIAL TO IDENTIFY BEST COMBINATION PARTNER FOR REGISTRATIONAL TRIAL(S)

Part 1 – run-in



Part 2 – multi-cohort extension



- Additional cohorts to explore novel combinations
- Aim to further boost response rates beyond 35% ORR
- Collaboration with partners – dialogues ongoing

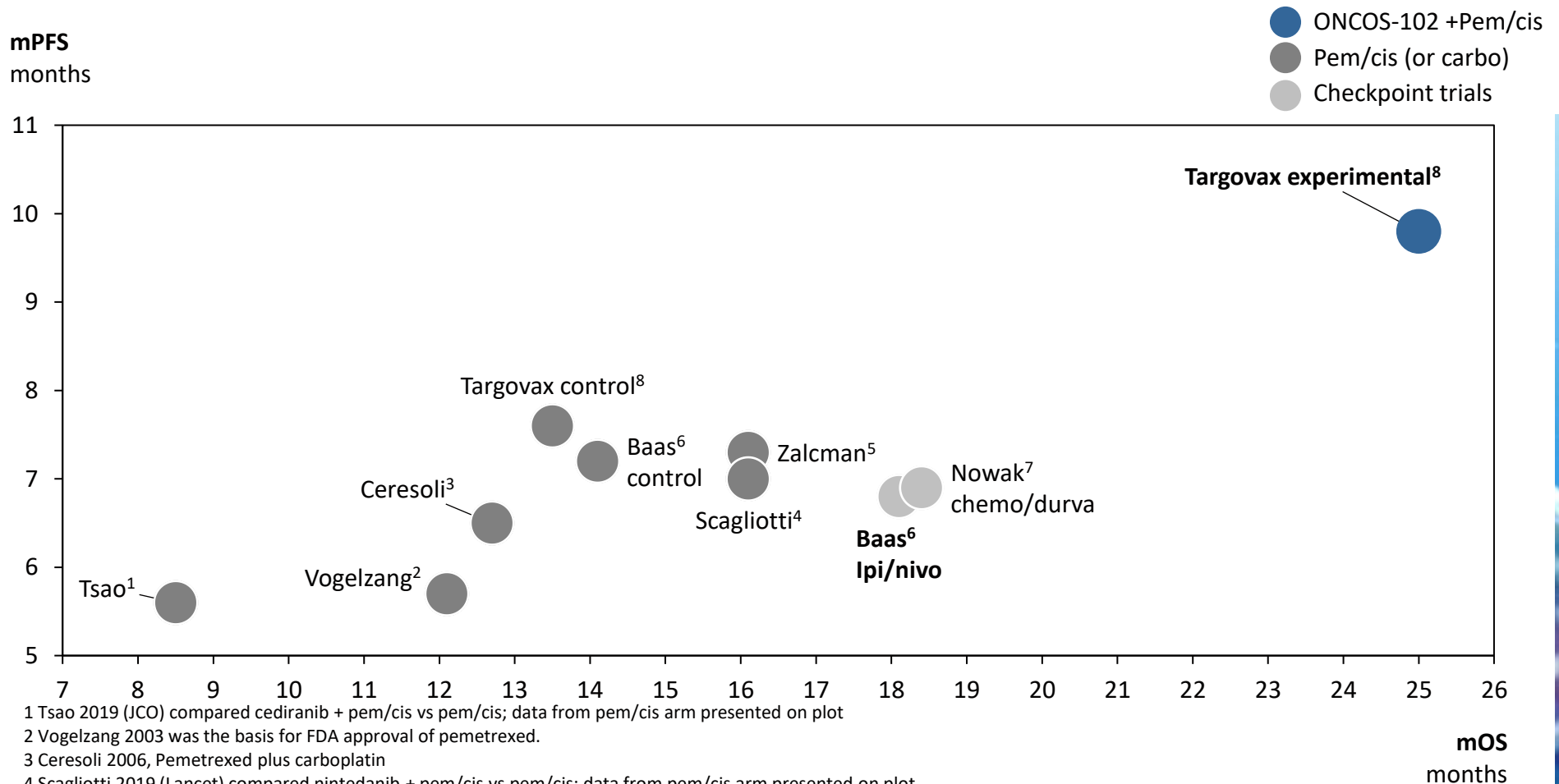
Several opportunities:
vaccine, bi-specifics, T-cell engagers, etc...

The cohorts can independently form the basis for subsequent registrational trial(s)

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ONCOS-102 HAS SHOWN 25.0 MONTHS mOS IN 1L MESOTHELIOMA, WHICH IS THE BEST SURVIVAL DATA REPORTED IN THIS POPULATION



1 Tsao 2019 (JCO) compared cediranib + pem/cis vs pem/cis; data from pem/cis arm presented on plot

2 Vogelzang 2003 was the basis for FDA approval of pemetrexed.

3 Ceresoli 2006, Pemetrexed plus carboplatin

4 Scagliotti 2019 (Lancet) compared nintedanib + pem/cis vs pem/cis; data from pem/cis arm presented on plot

5 Zalcman 2016 (Lancet) compared bevacizumab + pem/cis vs pem/cis; data from pem/cis arm presented on plot.

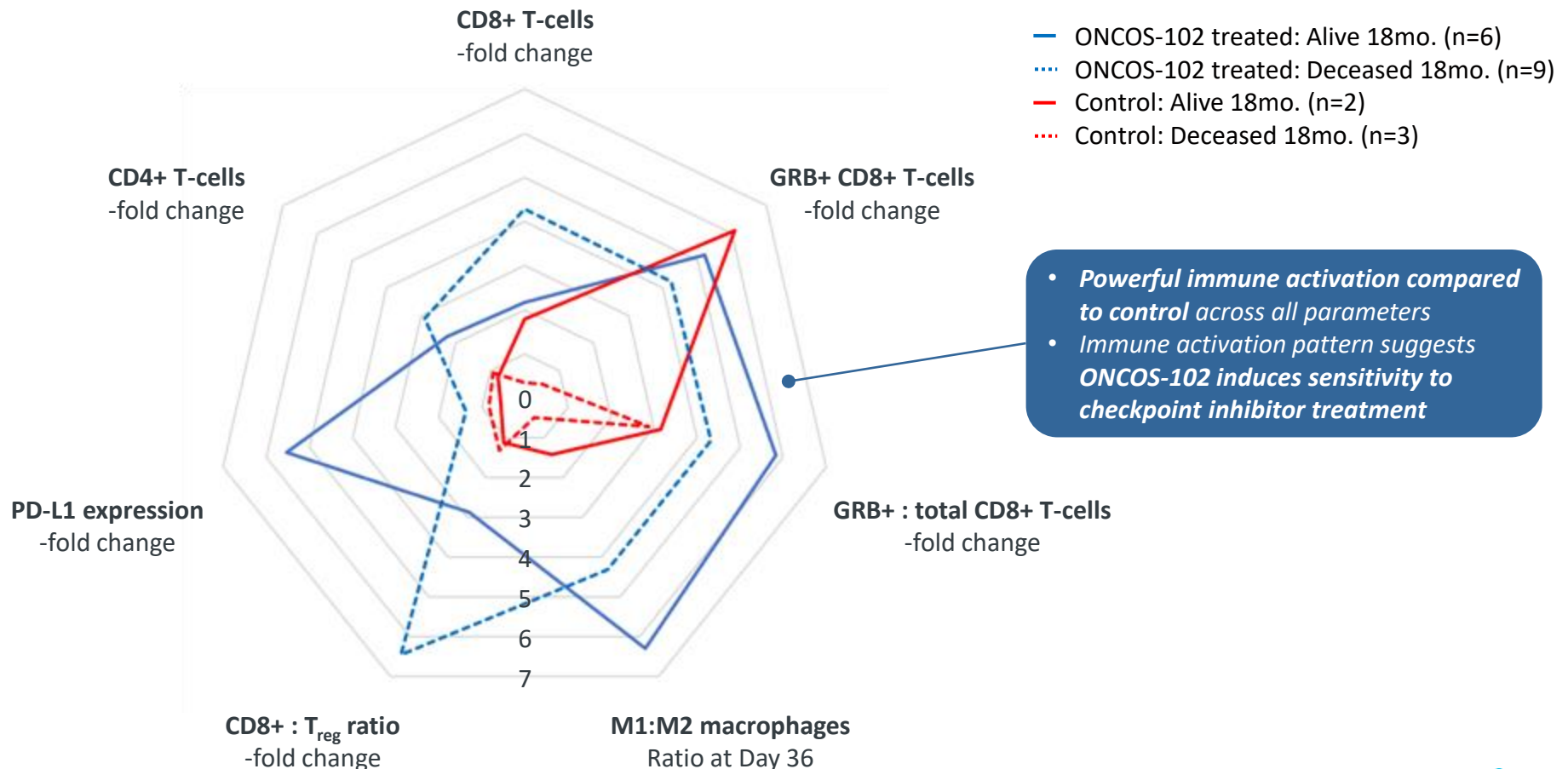
6 Baas 2021 (The Lancet) CheckMate 743. Nivolumab + ipilimumab for two years vs pem/cis (or carboplatin). Ipi/nivo was approved in first line by FDA on October 2, 2020.

7 Nowak 2020 (Lancet Oncology) Pem / cis (6 cycles) + durvalumab (12 months)

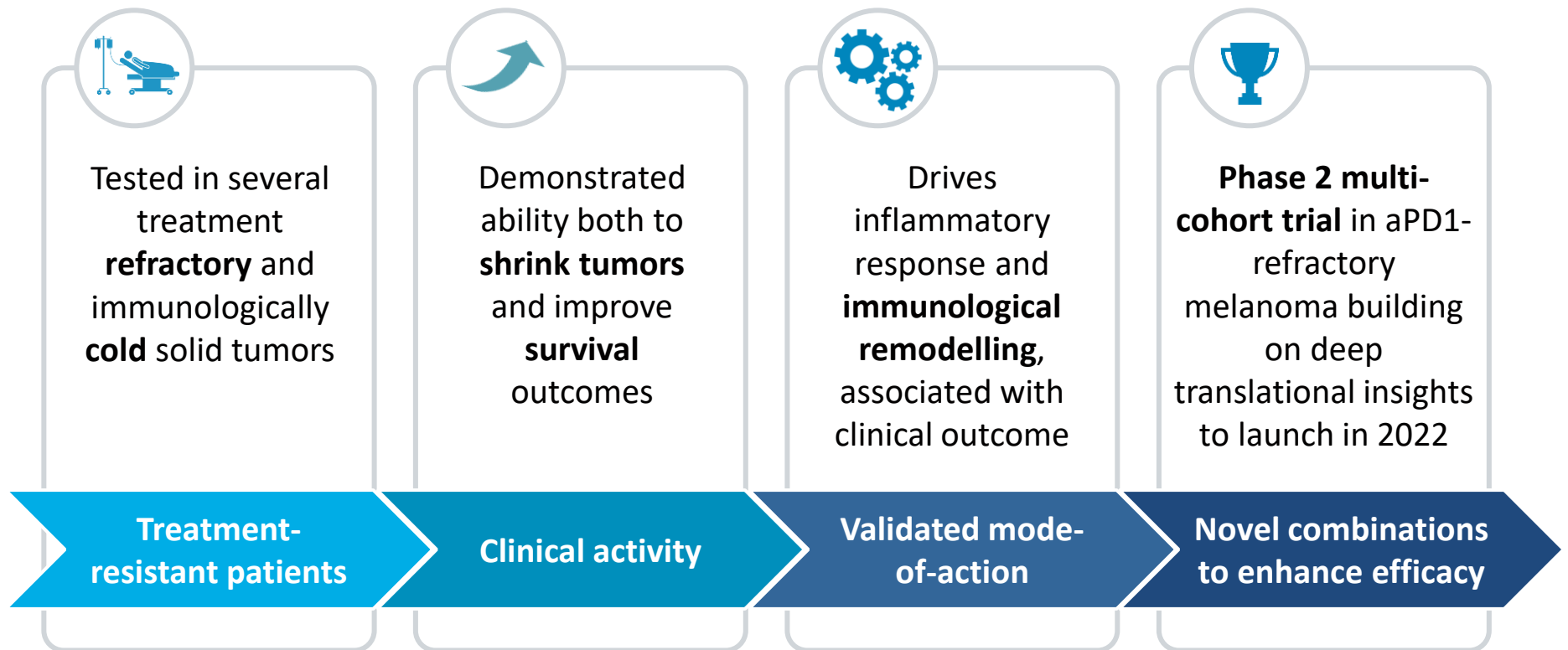
8 1L randomized patients mOS not final: Experimental group, 8 patients (3 censored). Control group, 6 patients (0 censored)

IMPROVED SURVIVAL OUTCOME IS ASSOCIATED WITH POWERFUL ONCOS-102 INDUCED IMMUNE ACTIVATION

Immuno-modulation in tumor tissue; mIHC, Day 36 vs. baseline



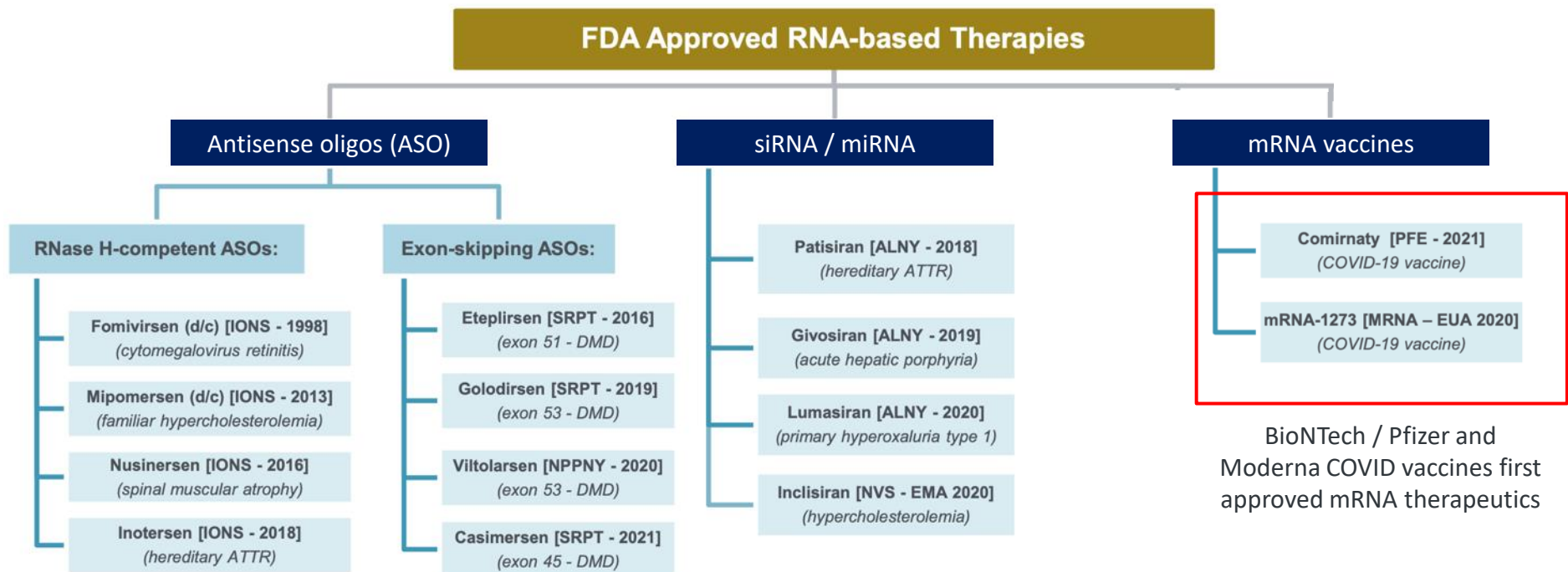
INTRA-TUMORAL ONCOS-102: A CLINICALLY VALIDATED ONCOLYTIC IMMUNE ACTIVATOR



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NextGen circRNA ONCOS vectors

RNA: EMERGING THERAPEUTIC CLASS, DRIVEN BY STRONG RECENT SUCCESS IN COVID VACCINES



No circRNA therapeutic candidates are approved or in clinical stage development

RNA-BASED THERAPEUTICS FACE SEVERAL CHALLENGES

Challenges for RNA-based therapies

RNA is chemically unstable

Efficient delivery of RNA drugs remains a major obstacle

Challenging to achieve sufficient spread and penetration into tumors

ONCOS solves these issues through a clinically validated DNA based delivery system that ensures local RNA expression and persistence in the tumor micro-environment

RNA EXISTS NATURALLY IN CIRCULAR FORM AND CAN BE ENGINEERED FOR PROTEIN TRANSLATION

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miRNA-dependent gene silencing involving Ago2-mediated cleavage of a circular antisense RNA

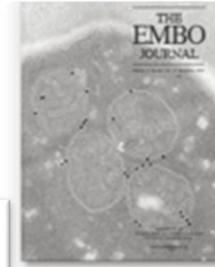
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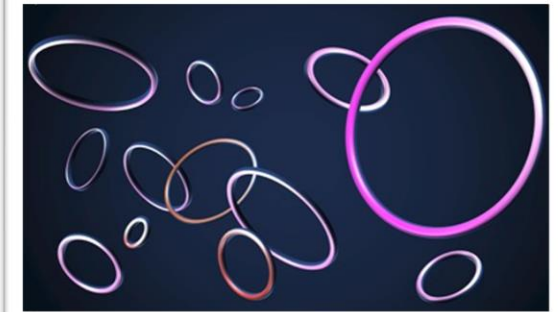
circRNA discoverers are in the Targovax team

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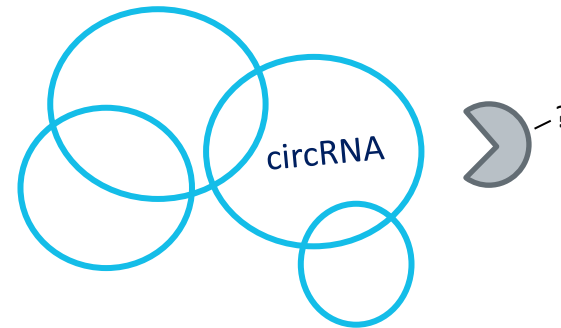
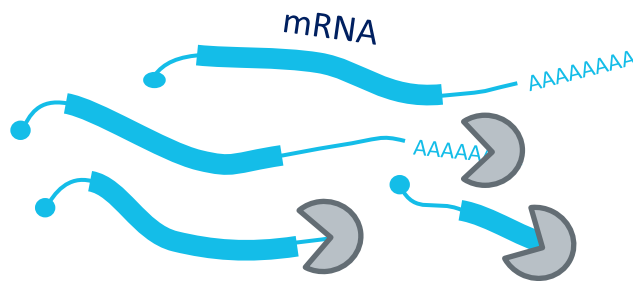


CIRCULAR RNA HAVE MULTIPLE ADVANTAGEOUS CHARACTERISTICS AS ANTI-CANCER THERAPEUTICS

Sponging of oncogenic microRNAs

Translation for local gene therapy

Circular RNA is resistant to exonuclease degradation



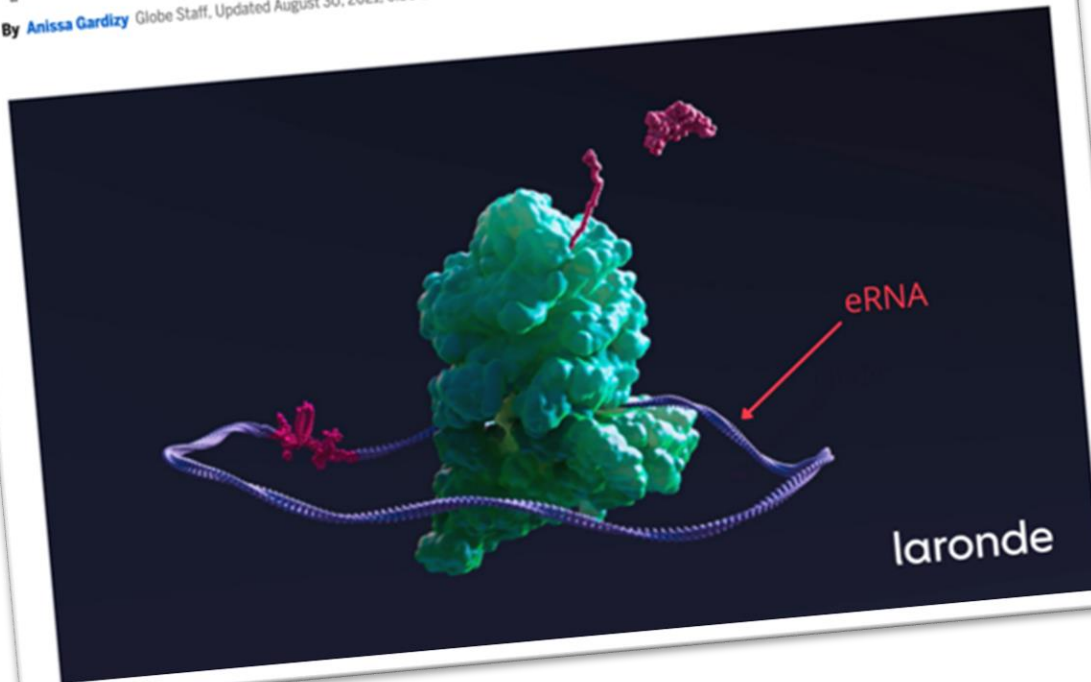
Immunological activation through pattern recognition receptors (PRR)

Transcriptional regulation of target genes

RECENT LAUNCHES OF CIRCULAR RNA GENE THERAPY BIOTECHS HAVE ATTRACTED MEGA SERIES A ROUNDS

As RNA remains hot, Flagship's Laronde raises \$440m for a new class of medicines

By [Anissa Gardizy](#) Globe Staff, Updated August 30, 2021, 6:30 a.m.



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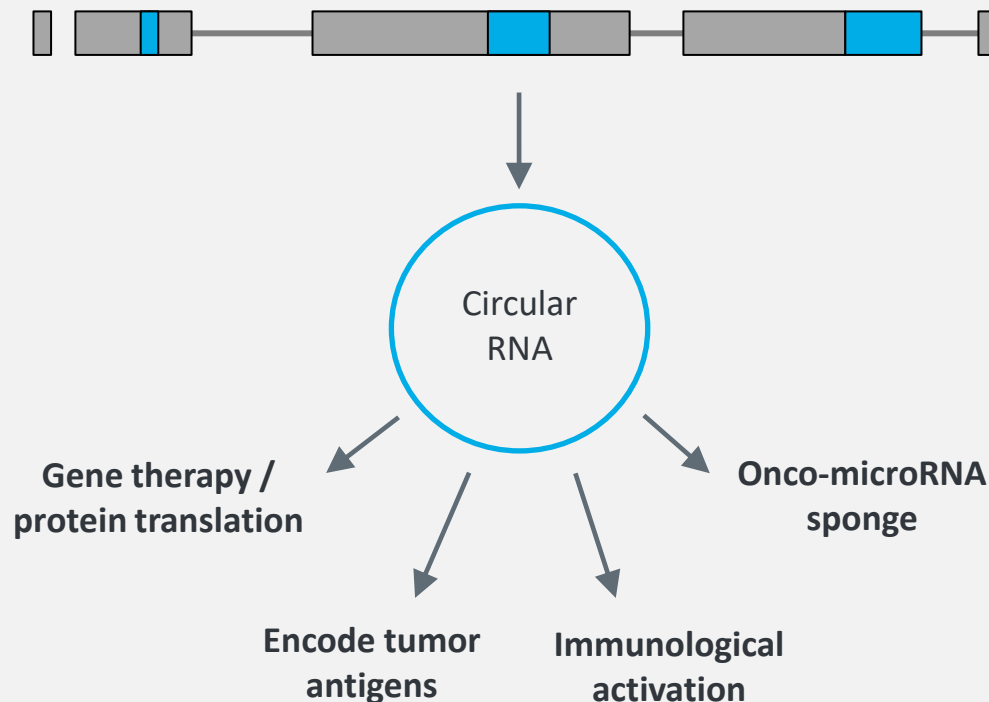
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After the vaccine triumphs of Pfizer/BioNTech and Moderna, a raft of startups is developing mRNA, circular RNA and self-amplifying RNA therapeutics.

ONCOS PROVIDES AN IDEAL, CLINICALLY VALIDATED PLATFORM FOR CIRCULAR RNA

Novel ONCOS circRNA vectors



Highly versatile delivery system

Aims of ONCOS circRNA program:

- Generate *in vitro* proof-of-concept data package by 2H 2022
- Build technology platform IP portfolio and know-how
- Construct **multi-functional novel circONCOS candidates** for in-house development
- Establish collaborations to generate circONCOS candidates encoding **partner's payload of choice**

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Summary

BROADLY POSITIONED FOR FUTURE SUCCESS



Local ONCOS-102 delivery melanoma

- *Class-leading data in PD1-refractory melanoma*



ONCOS systemic delivery

- *Expand commercial opportunity through IV delivery*



NextGen vectors for circRNA delivery

- *First-in-class circular RNA program driven by world-leading RNA scientists*



Mutant KRAS vaccine program

- *Additional opportunity in KRAS mutant cancer through cost-efficient partnership model*