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*A new generation of multi-functional
cancer immunotherapies and infectious
disease vaccines*



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Welcome and Agenda

Today's Agenda

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Development of PDS0101 for HPV16-associated cancers	Dr. Lauren V. Wood Dr. Jeff Schlom Dr. Caroline Jochems Dr. Julius Strauss
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Development of PDS0103 for MUC1-related cancers	Dr. Lauren V. Wood Dr. Caroline Jochems
Conclusion	Dr. Frank Bedu-Addo



Versamune[®]: A New Generation of Cancer Immunotherapies

A significant barrier to effective immunotherapy has been the inability to promote adequate CD8+ killer T-cell responses *in vivo* resulting in diminished efficacy; 70-90% of cancer patients fail check point inhibitor therapy

PDS Biotech's Versamune®-based immunotherapies are designed to promote a powerful *in vivo* tumor-specific CD8+ killer T-cell response

Versamune®-based therapies also show promising potential to:



Generate the right type and quantity of effective CD8+ killer T-cells



Generate memory T-cells, to enhance durability of response



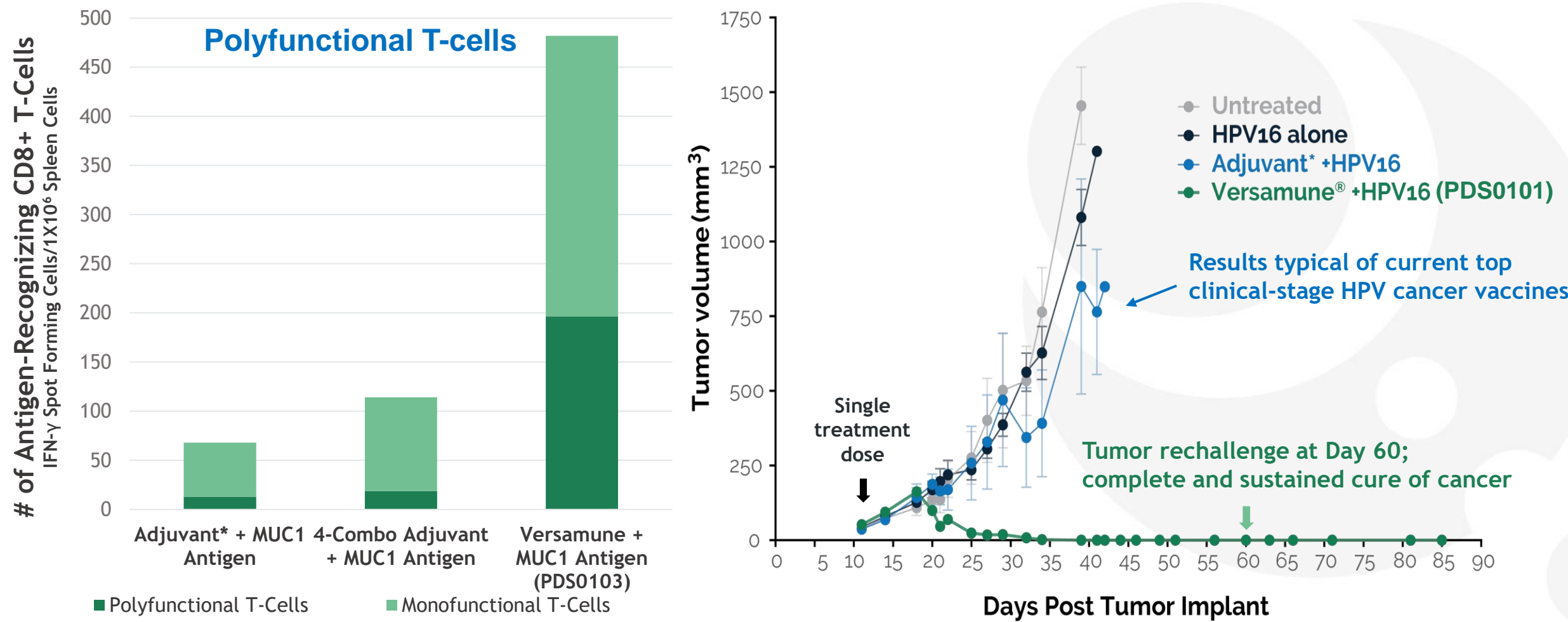
Generate potency without systemic side effects

Current state of cancer immunotherapy

- **Cancers evade immunosurveillance and suppress T-cell attack by several immune suppressive and evasive mechanisms - *several immunotherapies target such mechanisms***
 - Checkpoint inhibitors
 - Inhibitors of LAG-3
 - TGF- β TRAP
- **Technologies that can overcome immune suppressive mechanisms to promote T-cell induction are lacking - *CD8+ (killer) T-cells in particular are critical***
 - Cancer vaccines must induce large quantities of effective killer T-cells in order to kill thousands and billions of cancer cells
 - The immune systems of cancer patients are usually severely debilitated due to aging, side effects of cancer drugs and immune cell exhaustion thus T-cell activators must be highly efficient

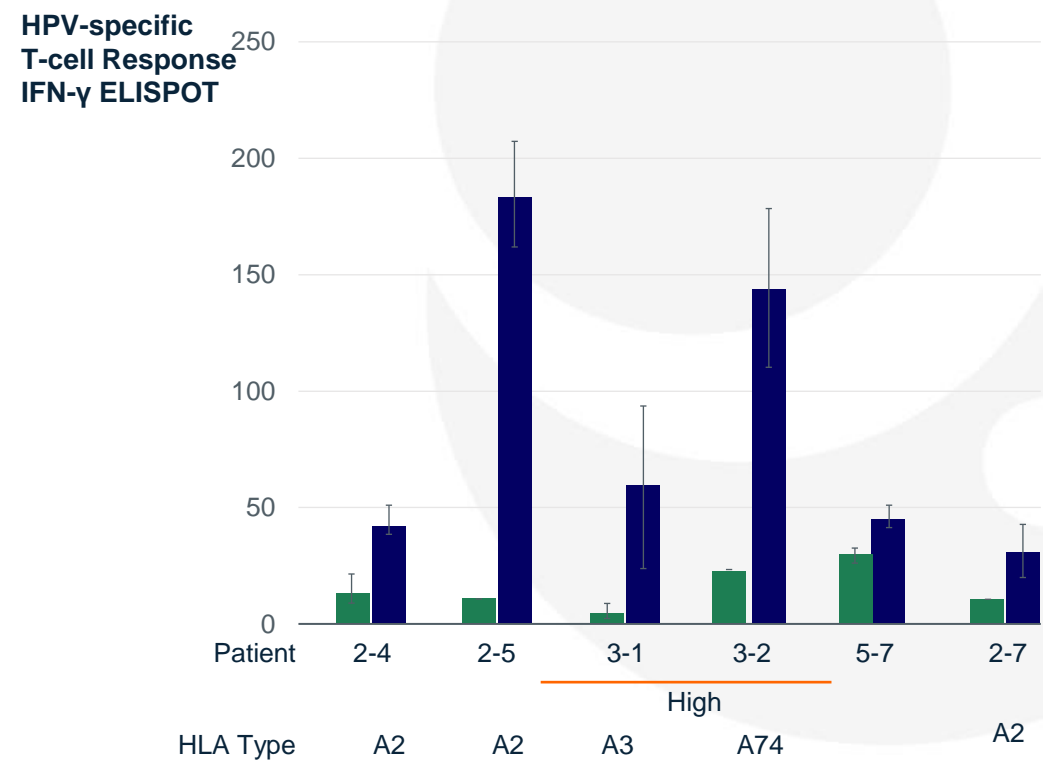
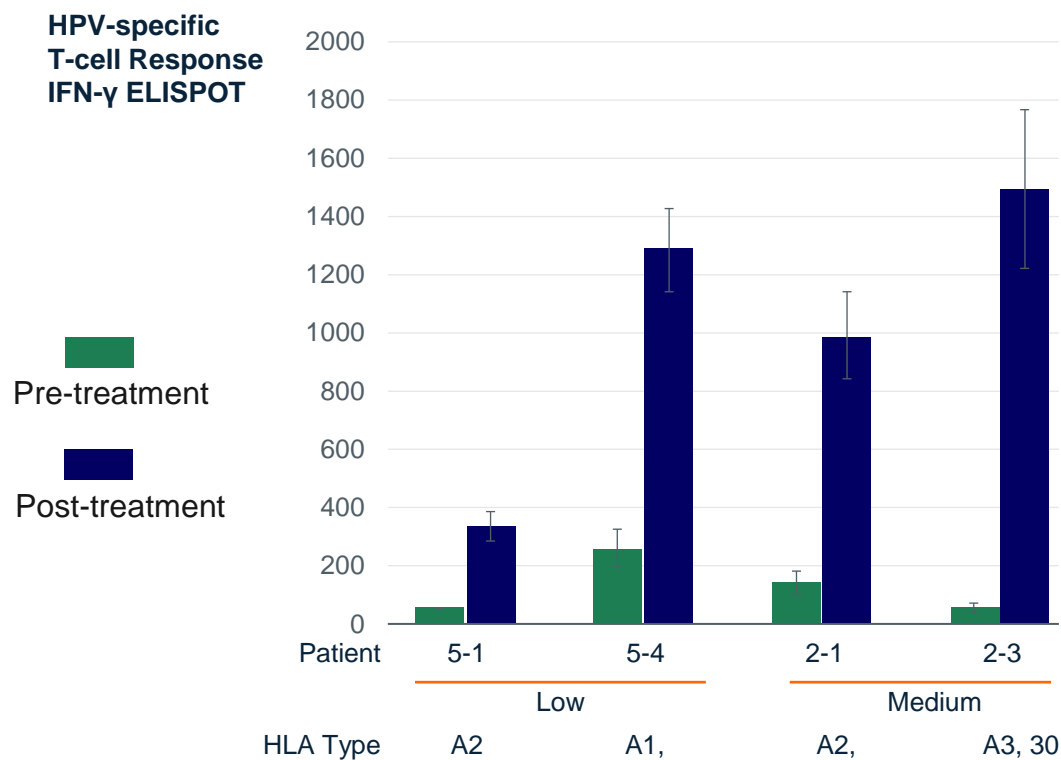
Greater quantity and quality of Versamune[®]-induced killer T-cells may result in unique ability to eradicate HPV-positive tumors after a single dose in preclinical studies

Induced a >10-fold number of highly potent T-cells and eradication of HPV-positive tumors after a single dose in preclinical studies



PDS0101 Phase 1 clinical study demonstrated strong *in vivo* induction of circulating HPV16 T-cell responses

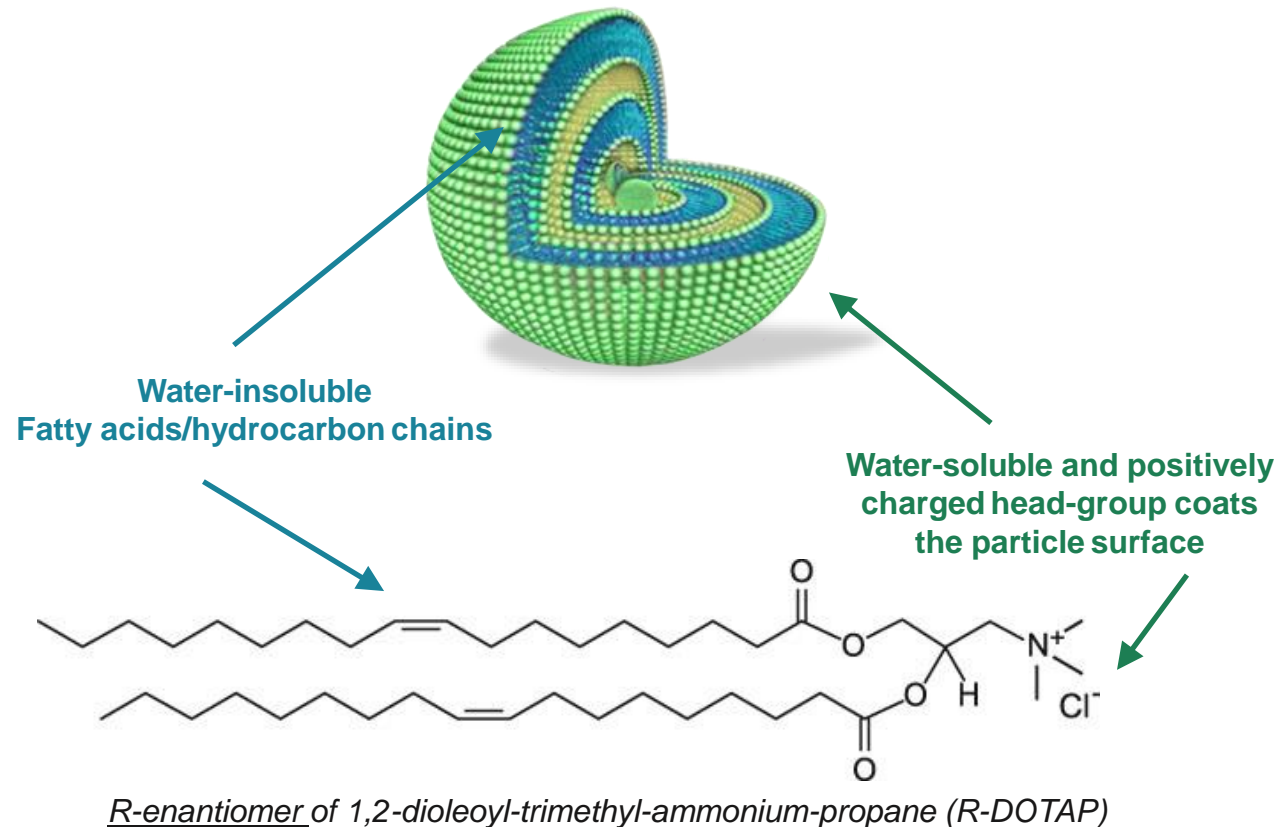
Responses were evaluated on Days 14-19 after SC injection
Predominant CD8+ T-cell responses confirmed by Granzyme-b ELISPOT



A 3D molecular model of a protein complex. The main component is a large, orange, highly textured surface, possibly representing a viral capsid or a large protein complex. Several smaller, blue, Y-shaped structures are scattered around the main orange structure, likely representing antibodies or smaller protein subunits. The background is a dark, solid color.

Introduction to the Versamune[®] Platform

Versamune® is a proprietary T-cell activating platform engineered to induce a robust, targeted anti-tumor response *in vivo*

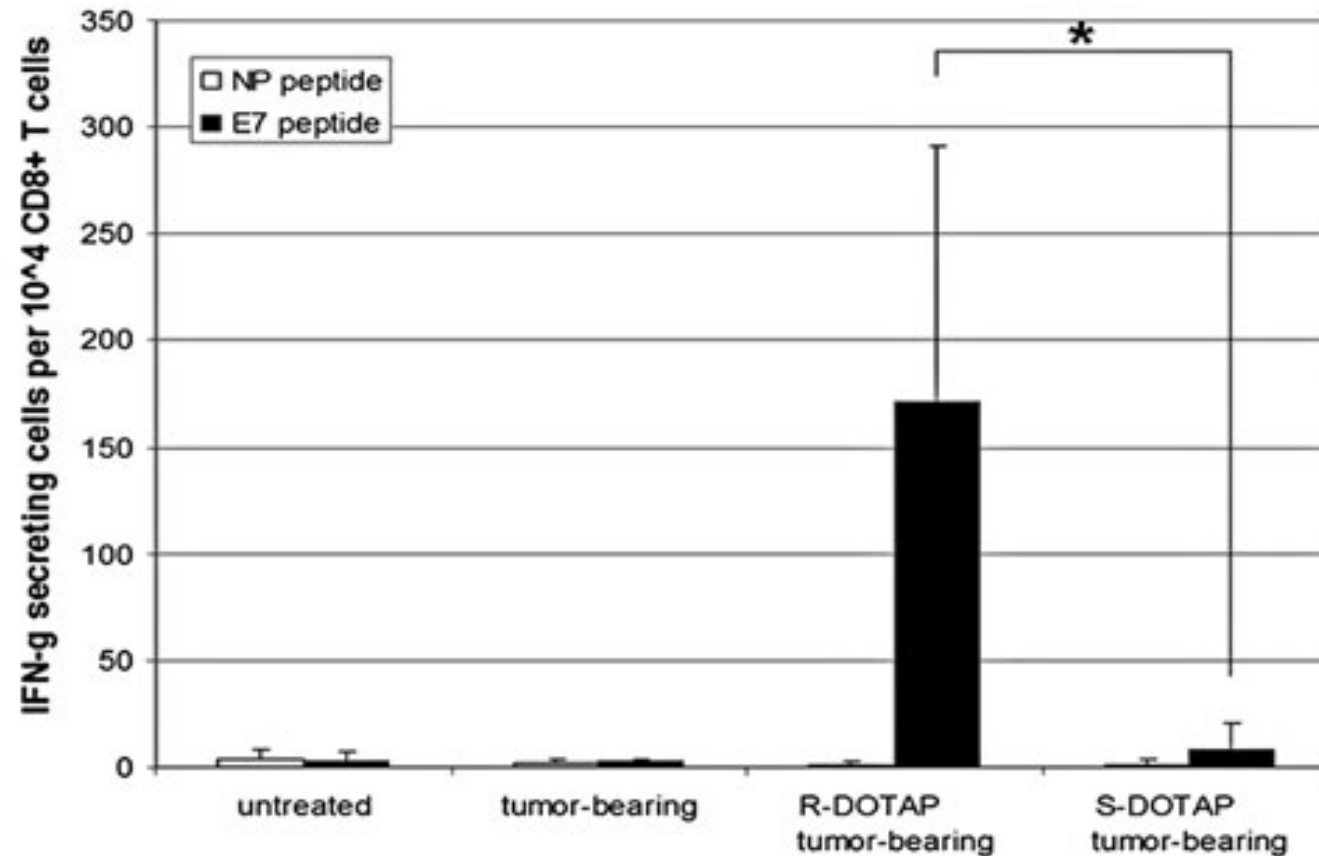


- Versamune® is based on proprietary, positively charged and immune activating lipids that form spherical nanoparticles in aqueous media
- The nanoparticles are sized to mimic viruses, which promotes excellent uptake by dendritic cells of the immune system
- Activates the important Type I interferon immunological signaling pathway
- Versamune® promotes the activation and maturation of dendritic cells, which then migrate to the lymph nodes

Versamune[®] provides the first demonstration of enantiomeric specificity pertaining to immunological activation

R-DOTAP provides superior CD8+ and CD4+ T-cell induction vs. S-DOTAP
Immune responses to S-DOTAP are further weakened in the presence of a tumor

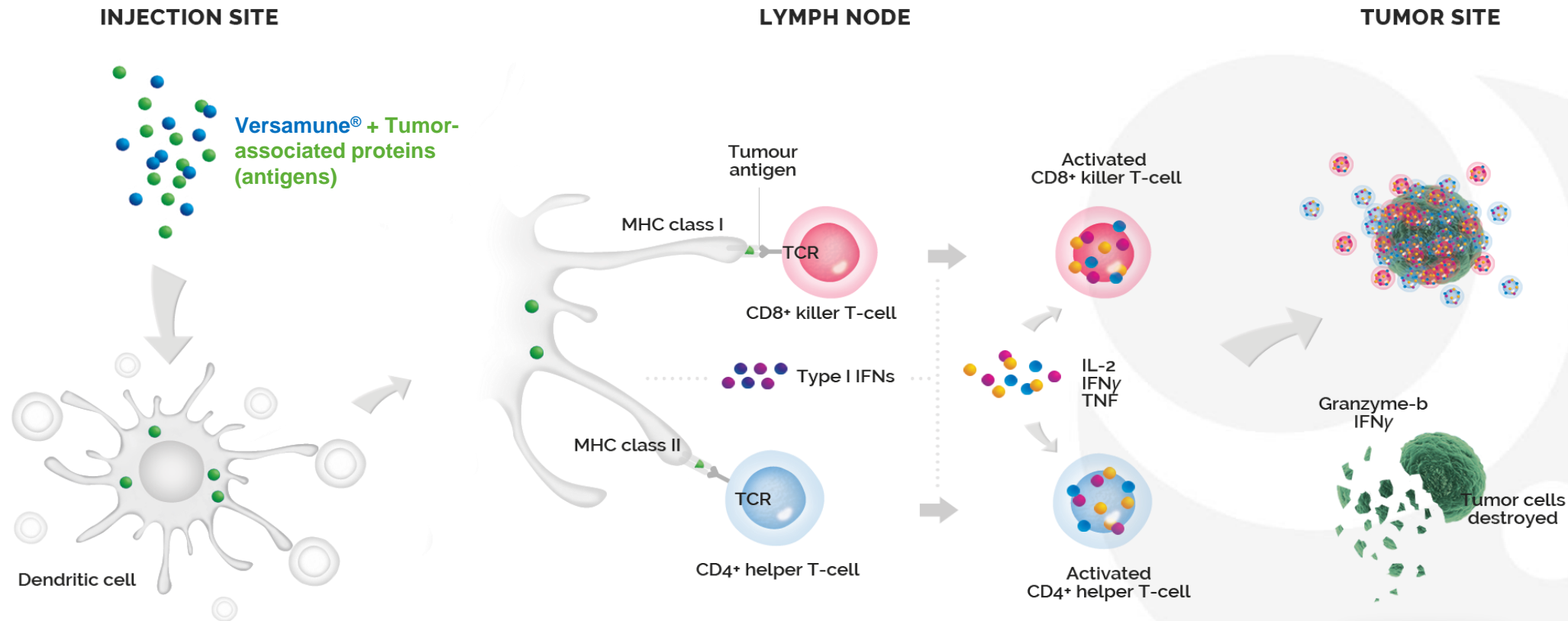
Enantiomeric specificity



A 3D molecular model of a protein, likely a viral capsid, shown in a light blue/white color. The surface is highly textured with many protrusions. Several smaller, green, Y-shaped or cross-shaped structures are scattered around the main protein, some appearing to be bound to its surface. The background is a dark blue gradient.

Versamune[®] Mechanism of Action

Versamune® is designed to induce a robust and targeted anti-tumor response *in vivo* when administered with a tumor-associated antigen



Promotes uptake of vaccine or immunotherapy and entry into lymph nodes

Promotes antigen processing and presentation to T-cells via MHC I and II pathways

Activates Type I Interferon pathway, enabling a powerful anti-tumor killer CD8+ T-cell response

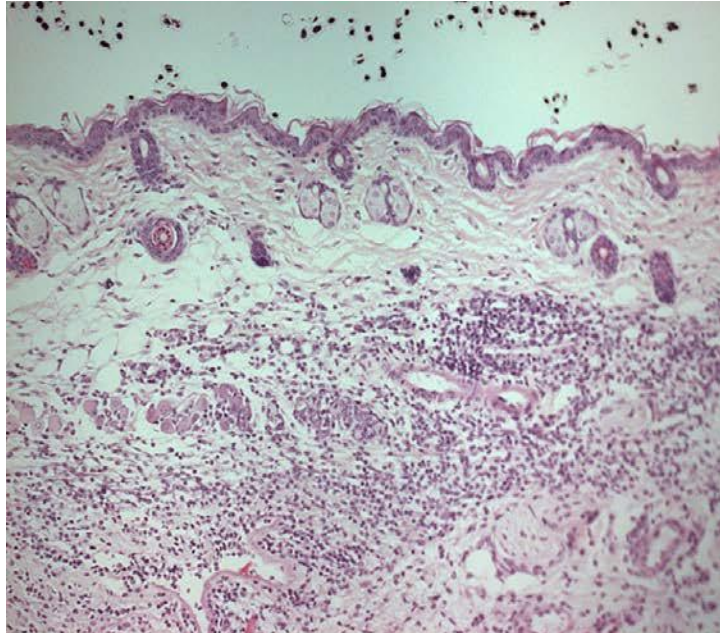
A 3D visualization of a cell, represented by a large, textured, light blue sphere with numerous protrusions. Several smaller, green, Y-shaped molecules, representing Versamune, are shown interacting with the cell's surface. Some are bound to the protrusions, while others are floating nearby. The background is a dark blue gradient.

Uptake of the Versamune[®]- Based Immunotherapy

Versamune® sub-cutaneous injection initiates a powerful and targeted cascade of critical immunological events

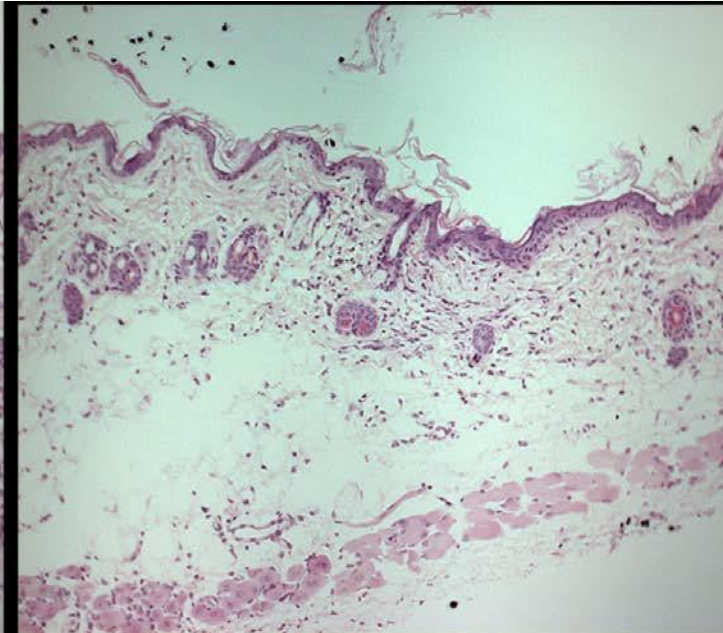
First demonstration of lipid enantiomeric specificity on immune activation

Versamune® (R-DOTAP) nanoparticles



SC injection of the active enantiomer (R-DOTAP) results in activation of type I interferons and induces monocyte infiltration to injection site

S-DOTAP nanoparticles

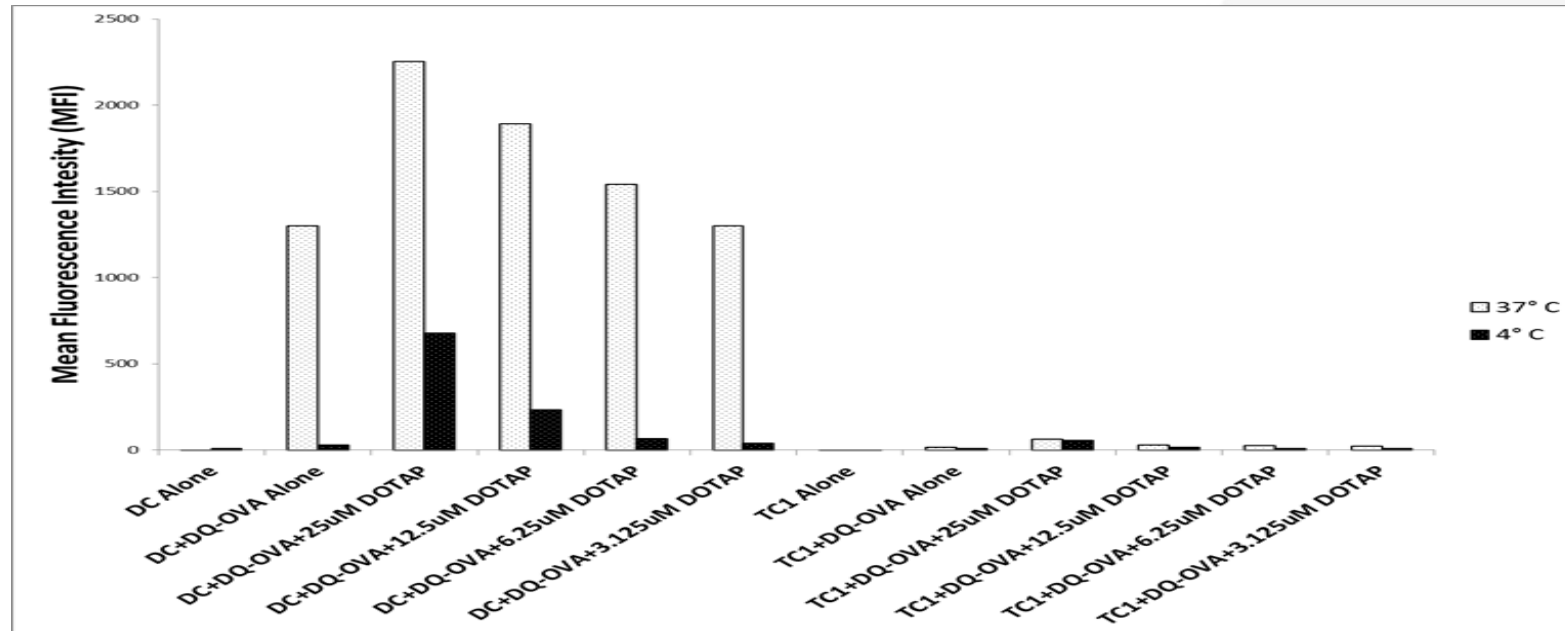


SC injection of the weakly biologically active enantiomer (S-DOTAP) results in low infiltration of monocytes to the injection site

Early clinical studies with Versamune® demonstrate efficient and exclusive uptake by dendritic cells

VLP nanoparticle sizing

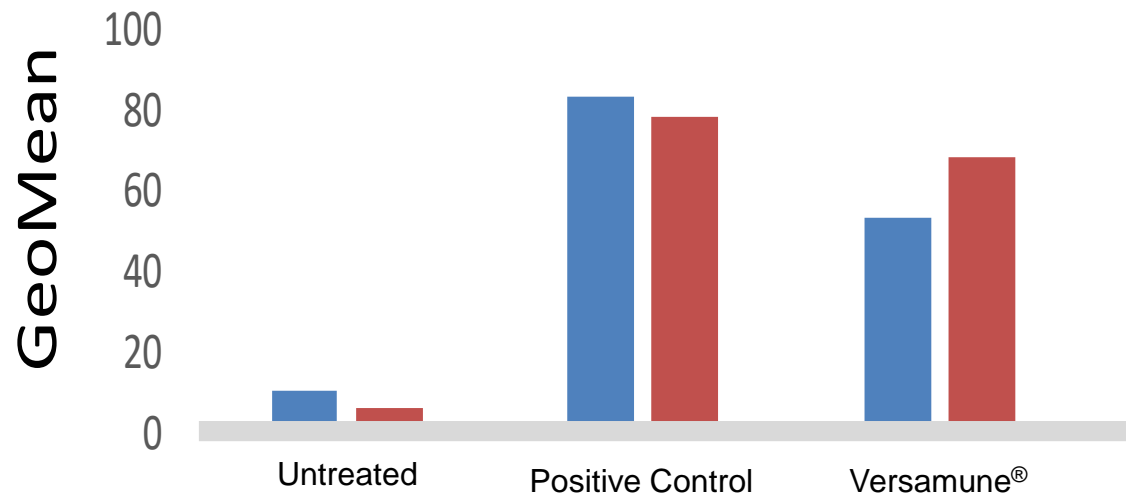
Positively-charged particles are designed to be spherical and sized similarly to viruses for optimal uptake



Dendritic cells or epithelial cell line incubated with DQ-OVA alone or with varying doses of Versamune®

Versamune® induces activation/maturation of dendritic cells

Dendritic cell Versamune® uptake & T-cell activation



Mature dendritic cells:

- migrate into lymph nodes
- express costimulatory molecules
- facilitate the interaction with T-cells
- take up Versamune® within 4 hours of exposure

Versamune® and a positive control known to induce maturation of dendritic cells were incubated with human dendritic cells from donors and compared with the untreated cells. Versamune® is seen to induce activation and maturation of dendritic cells resulting in expression of both CD83 and CD86.

A 3D molecular model of a cell surface. The cell membrane is depicted as a complex, undulating grey surface. Numerous blue, Y-shaped structures, representing receptors or antibodies, are attached to the surface. Several red, irregularly shaped particles, representing antigens, are shown both bound to the receptors and floating in the surrounding light blue fluid environment.

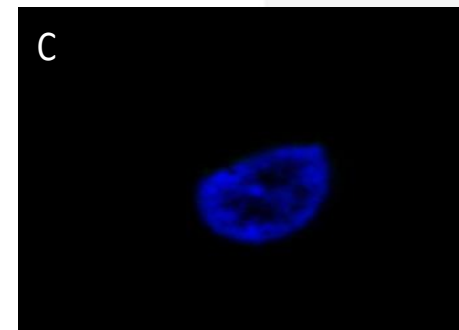
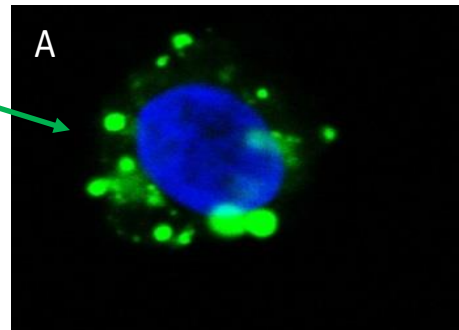
Versamune® Promotes Antigen Cross-Presentation

Versamune® may promote superior antigen processing and endosomal accumulation (*in vitro*) – Facilitates access to MHC Class I Pathway

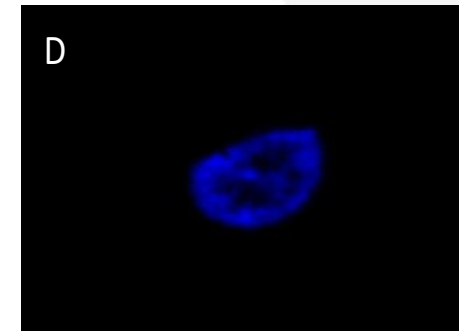
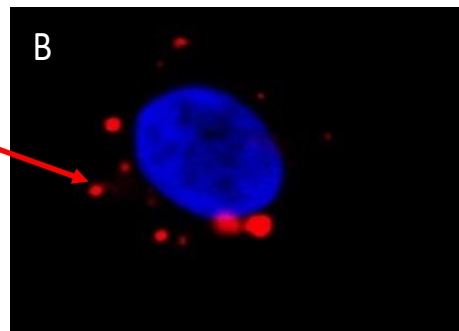
The positive charge of the liposome destabilizes the endosomes allowing the antigen to enter the cytoplasm of the dendritic cells and facilitates cross-presentation to CD8+ killer T-cells

Antigen uptake, processing and presentation

Versamune® induced protein uptake and processing (green fluorescence)

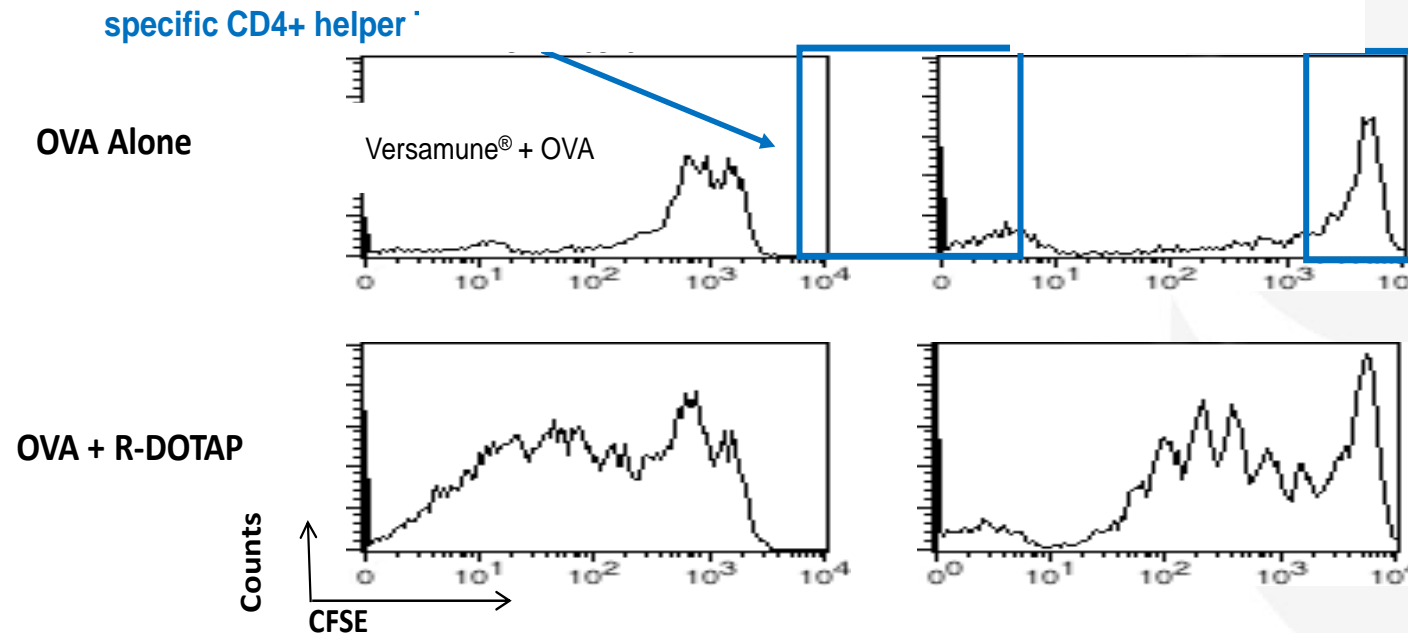


Versamune® induced peptide accumulation in endosome (red fluorescence)



Preclinical studies show that Versamune® demonstrates effective antigen presentation to both CD8+ killer and CD4+ helper T-cells

Effective presentation of peptides via both the major histocompatibility complex (MHC) Class I pathway to CD8+ killer T-cells and via the MHC Class II pathway to CD4+ helper T-cells



Adoptive transfer mice were produced using CFSE labeled DO11.10 T cells (TCR transgenic, class II restricted, OVA specific) or OT1 T cells (TCR transgenic, class I restricted, OVA specific). Mice were immunized 24h later subcutaneously with 0.25 µg (OT1) or 1µg (DO11.10) whole OVA alone or mixed with 4mM R-DOTAP immediately prior to injection. Draining LN cells were analyzed 3 days later by flow cytometry measuring CFSE fluorescence on gated TCR transgenic T cells. Histograms are representative of three to four mice per group. **CFSE bright cells (far right peak) represent undivided cells. Each cell division (proliferation) results in a 50% reduction of CFSE intensity and a left-ward shift of the peaks**

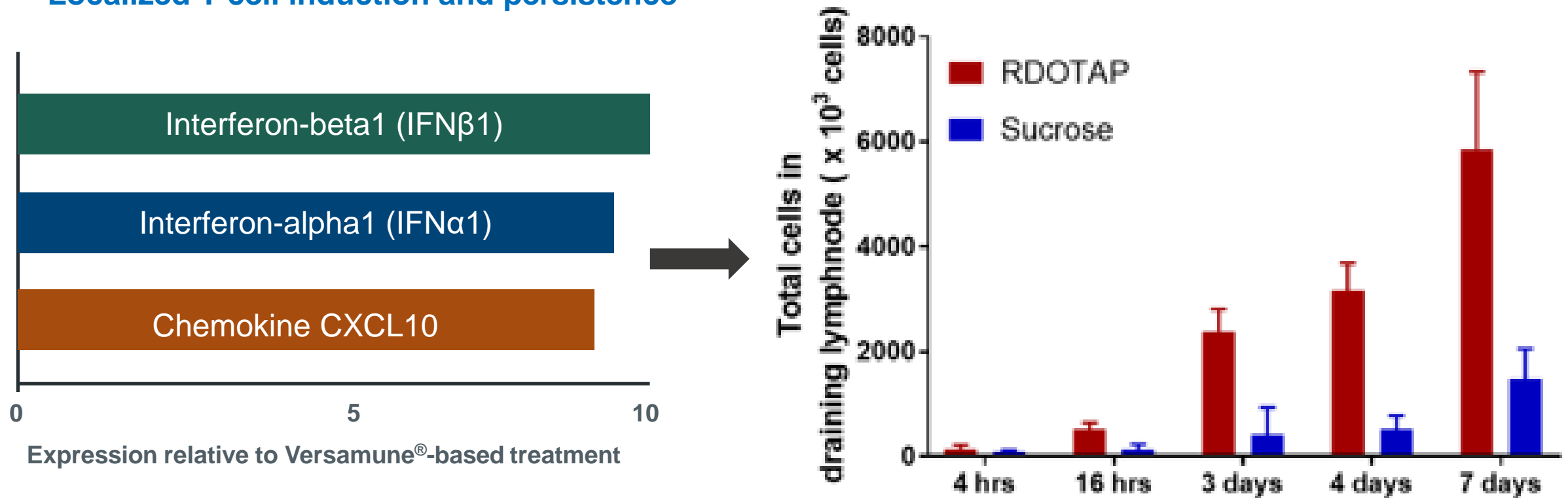
A 3D scientific illustration of a spherical virus particle. The particle has a textured, greyish-blue surface with numerous protruding spikes. Several green, Y-shaped antibody molecules are shown bound to the surface of the virus. The background is a dark blue gradient.

Versamune® Promotes Up-Regulation of Type I Interferons

Induction of Type I interferons and associated chemokines in the lymph nodes leads to powerful and sustained recruitment of T-cells

Elevated T-cell levels persist in lymph nodes for over 7 days after 1 Versamune[®] dose Localization of cytokines & chemokines promotes a strong safety profile

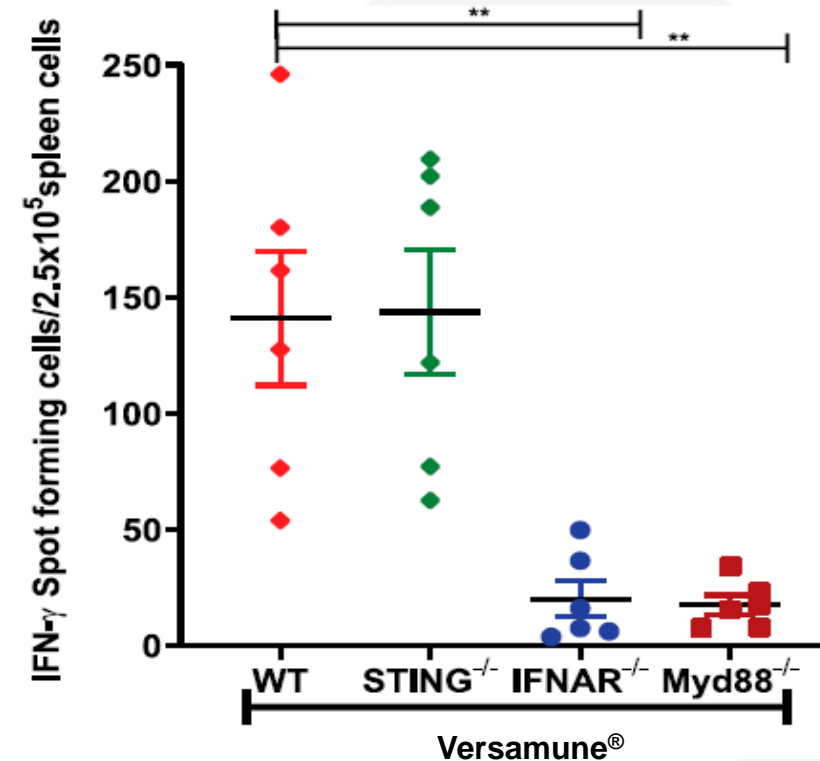
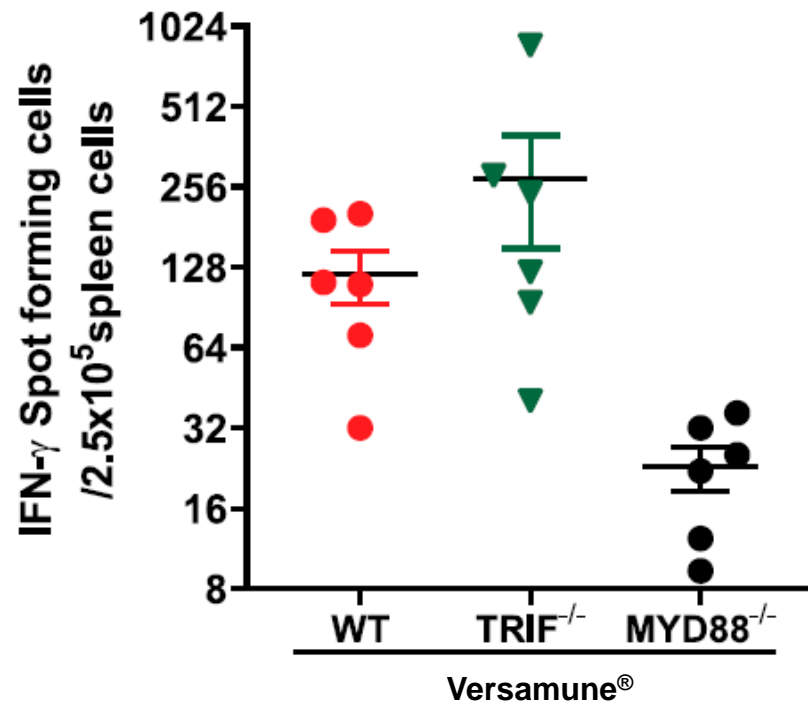
Localized T-cell induction and persistence



Specificity of the Versamune® effect: Type I interferons are upregulated via activation of the Myd88 pathway

Versamune® mediates its CTL-inducing effects by activating type I interferons in a Myd88-dependent manner

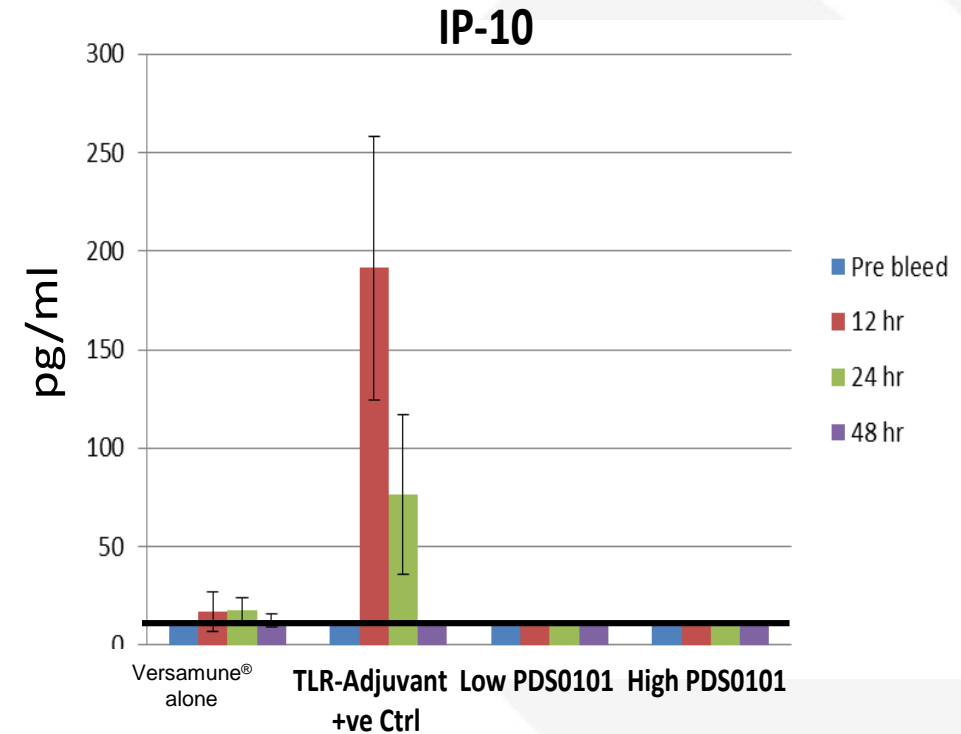
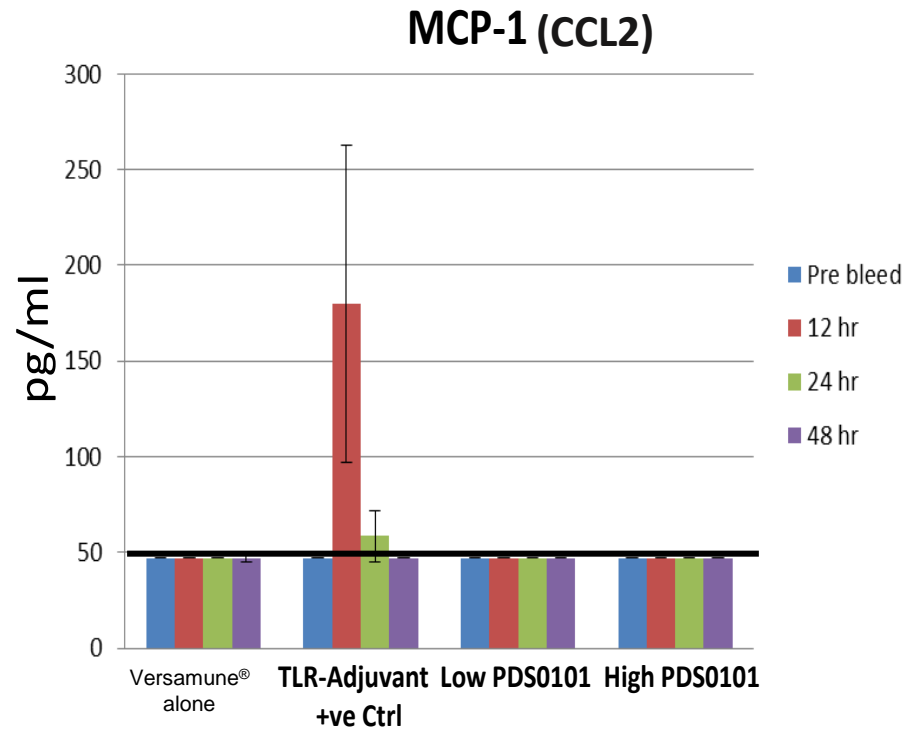
Type I IFN / Myd88 specificity



The T-cell responses were eliminated only in Myd88 or IFNAR (Type 1 IFN) knockout mice, but not in wild type mice (WT), STING or TRIF knockout mice

The localized and sustained cytokine induction in the lymph nodes of Versamune[®] has the potential to minimize the risk of systemic toxicity

Negligible systemic inflammation

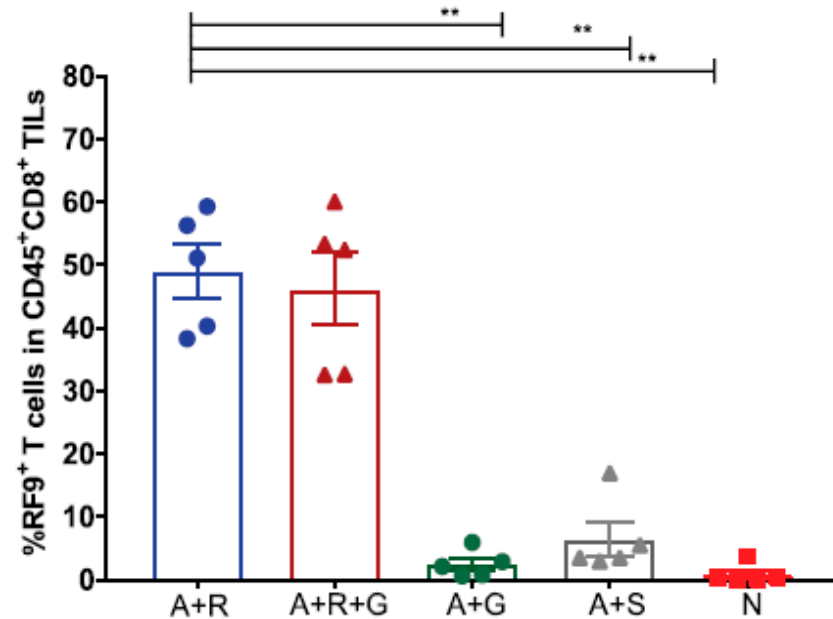


Negligible increases above baseline in systemic cytokine levels with Versamune[®] alone or PDS0101

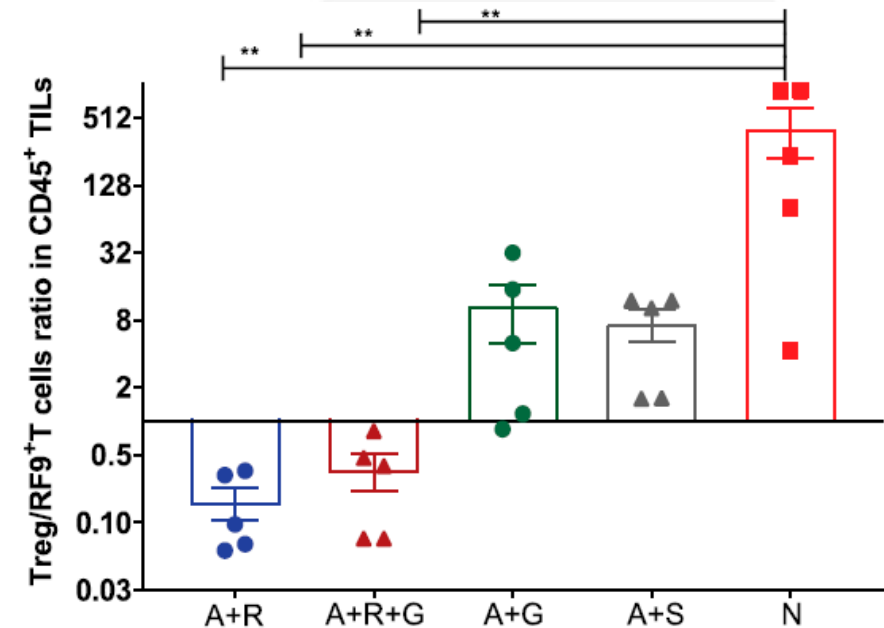
PDS0101: Versamune® induces high quantity and quality of CD8+ killer T-cells and alters the tumor micro-environment to increase efficacy

Minimizes the presence of immune suppressive regulatory T-cells (Treg) within the tumor microenvironment

Antigen-specific T-cells infiltrate tumor



A-antigen, R-Versamune® (R-DOTAP); G-GM-CSF; S-Sucrose; N-Naive

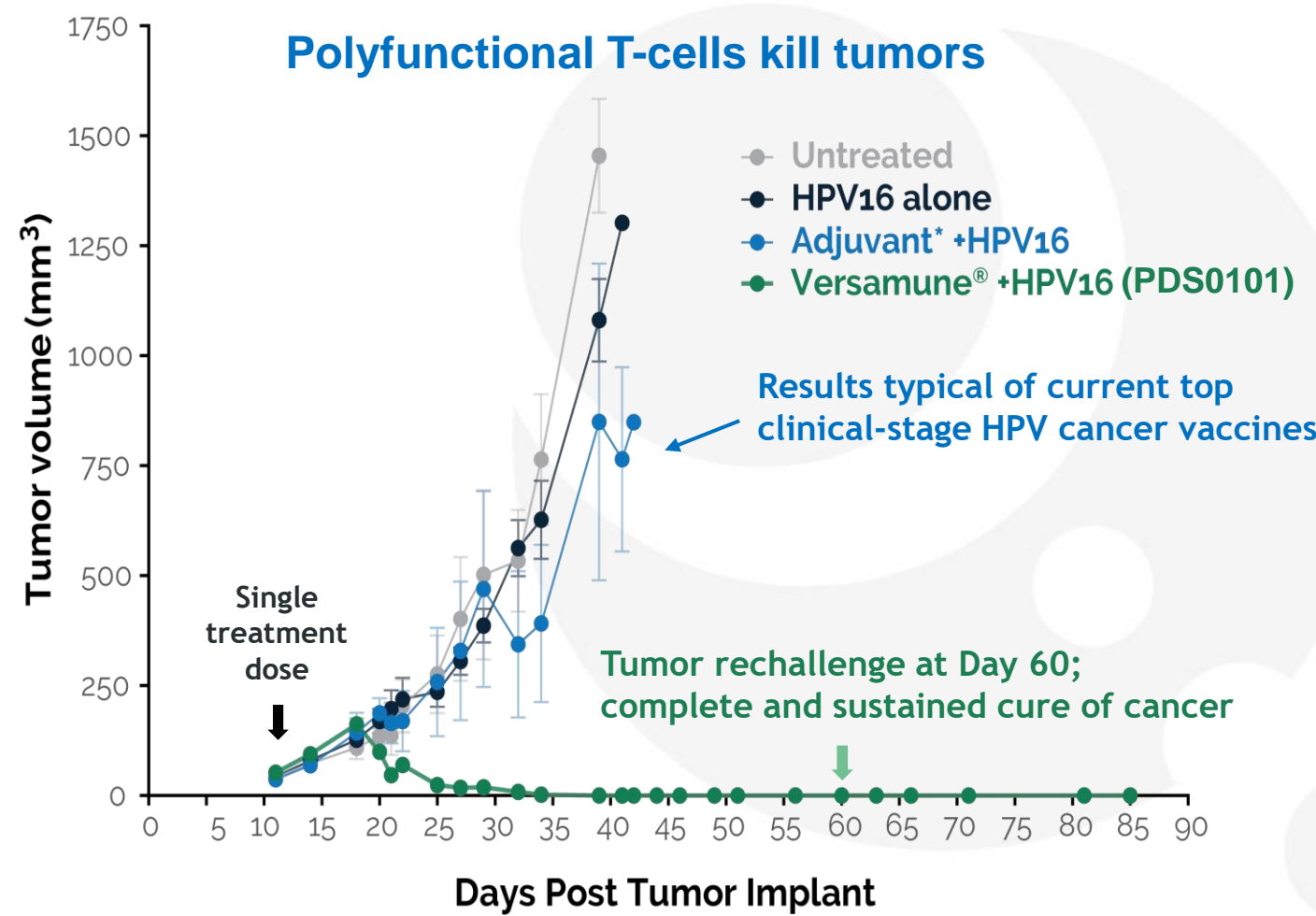
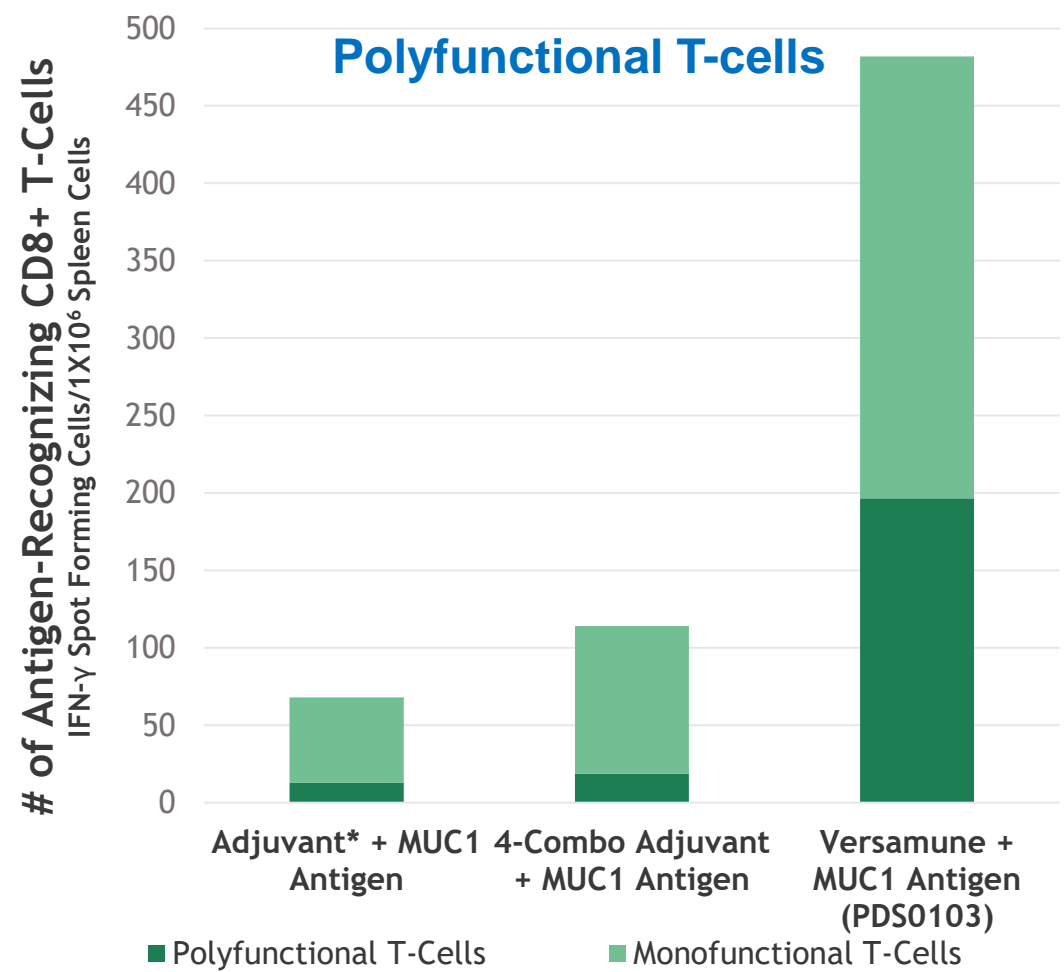


In Versamune® formulations almost 50% of CD8+ T-cells are antigen specific vs <5% with the cytokine GM-CSF

In Versamune® formulations, the ratio of Treg to antigen-specific CD8+ killer T-cells is < 1

Greater quantity and quality of Versamune[®]-induced killer T-cells may result in unique ability to eradicate HPV-positive tumors after a single dose in preclinical studies

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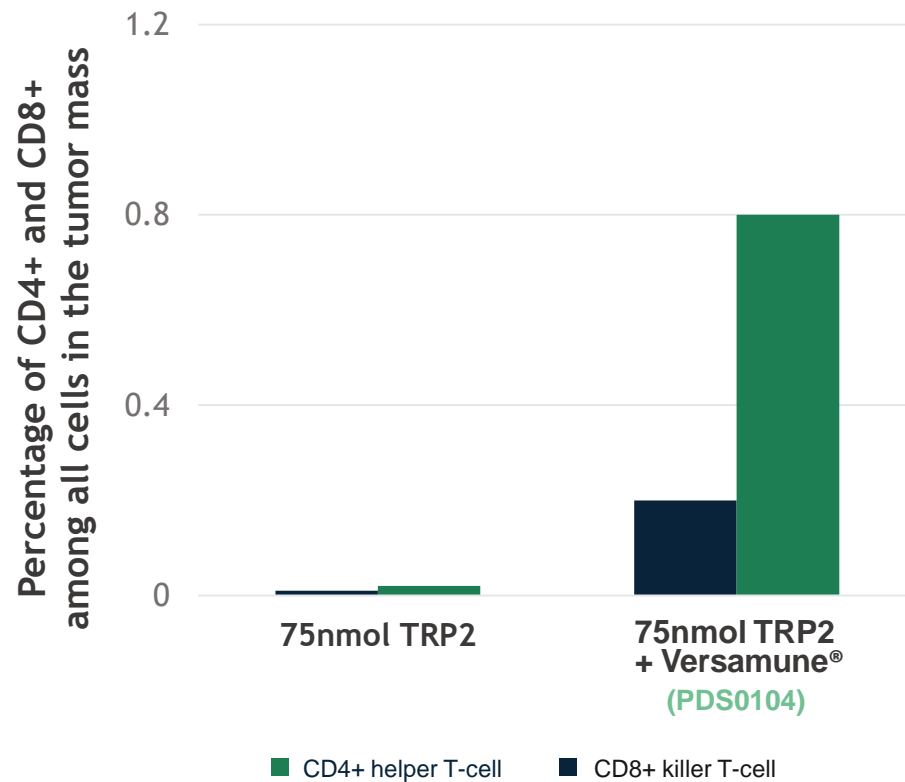




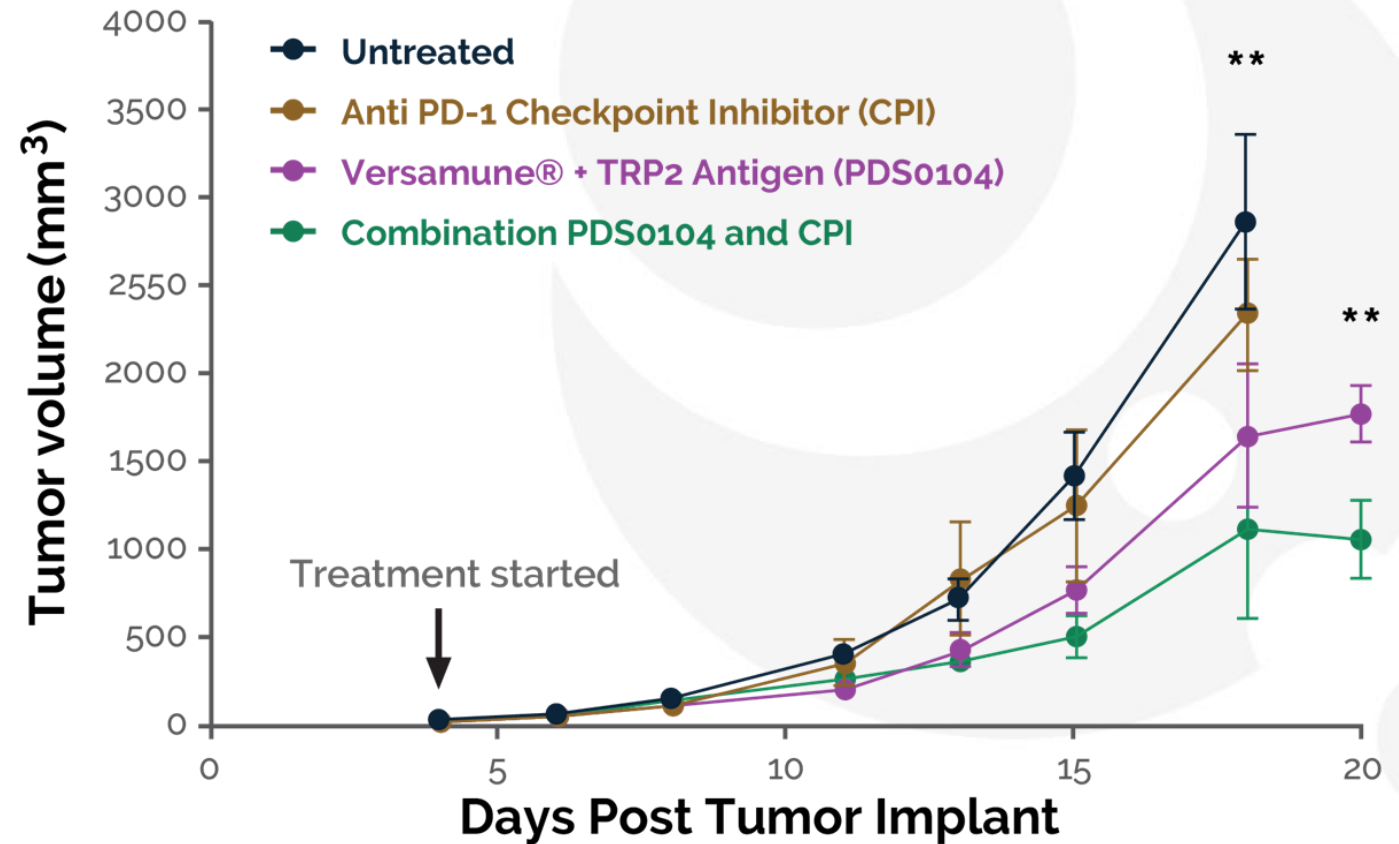
Versamune® Is Effective Against Non-Viral Tumors

Versamune®-induced T-cells may enhance efficacy of checkpoint inhibitors – Study in immune suppressive B16 melanoma

Versamune works with multiple tumor antigens



Enhanced anti-tumor activity in combination



Versatility of Versamune®: Potent TRP2-specific CD8+ killer T-cells break immune tolerance in difficult-to-treat B16 melanoma

Potent activity with different tumor antigens

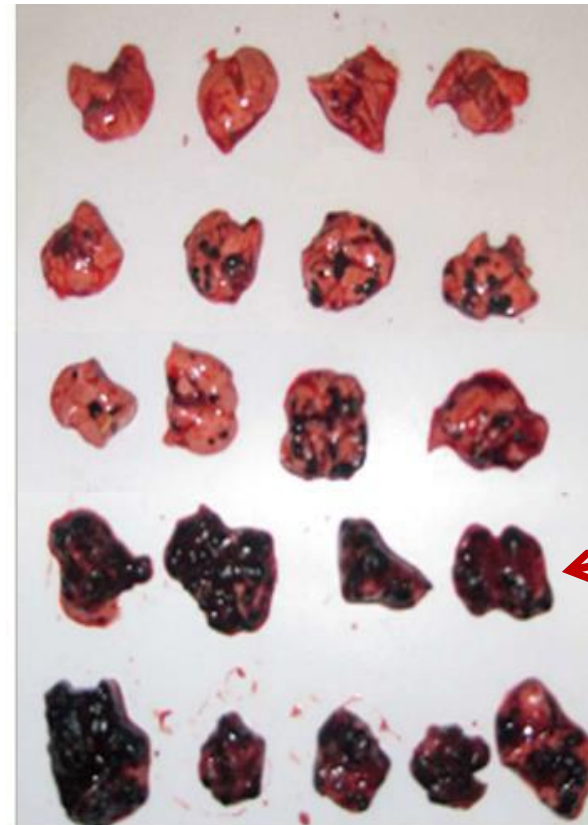
Healthy animals

Versamune® Formulation 1

Versamune® Formulation 2

Negative Control

Untreated



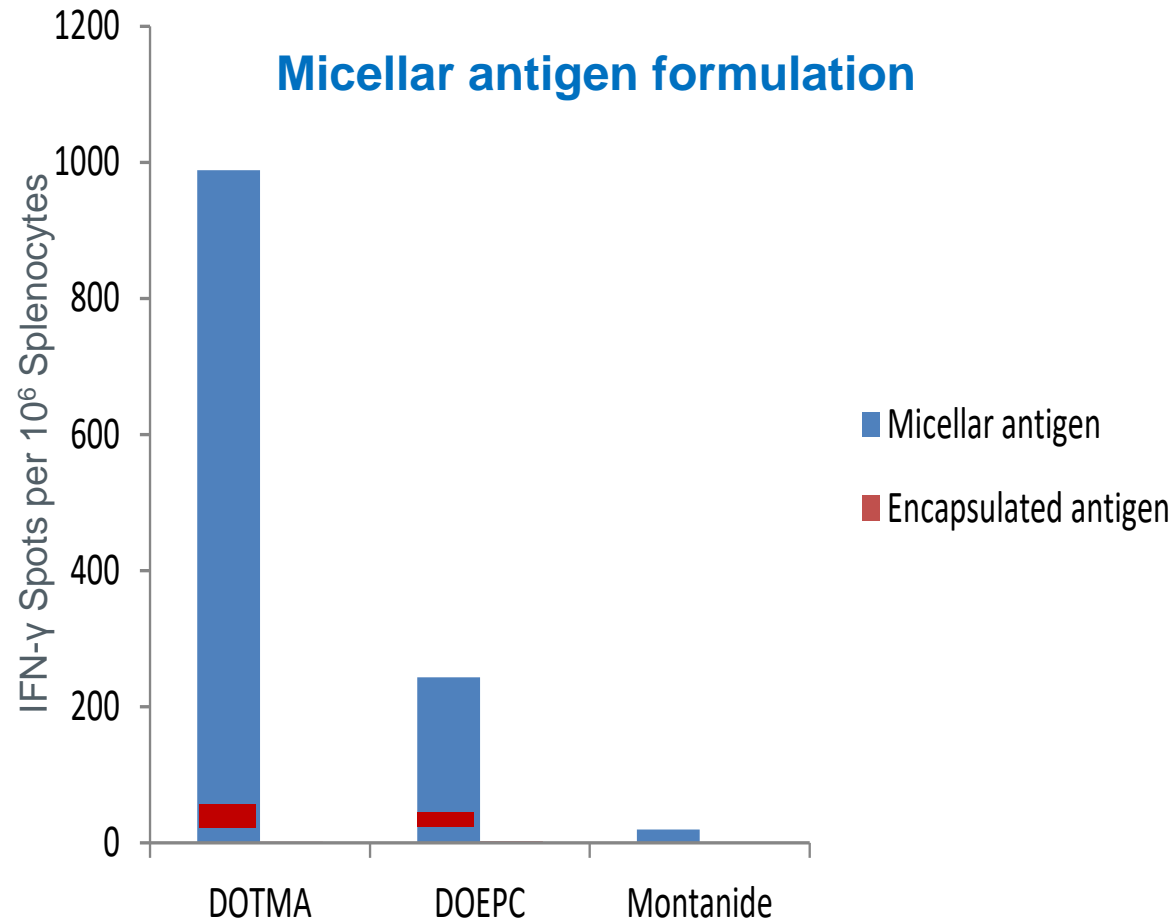
LUNG TISSUE

14 days after single injection treatment

Black stains due to tumors

PDS0101 Proprietary formulation: Mixture of peptide micelles with Versamune[®] promotes superior CD8+ killer T-cell response

Comparison of Micellar vs. Traditional Encapsulation Methods - IFN γ ELISPOT Shows Superior Potency of the PDS Biotech Micellar Approach – EU Patent Received



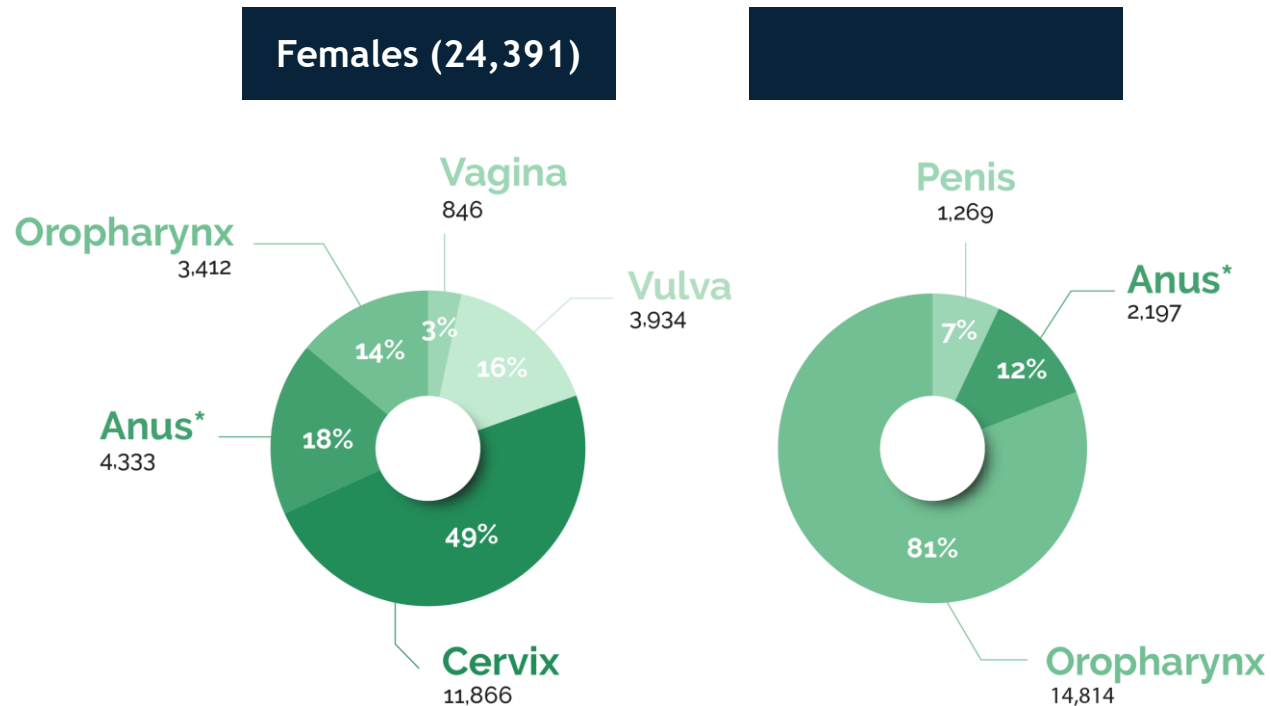
- DOPC and DOTMA (Lipids covered under Versamune[®]-class) formulated using a weakly immunogenic HPV antigen:
- CD8+ killer T-cell response of DOTMA and DOEPC superior to the clinical-stage adjuvant Montanide (ISA Pharma – HPV competitor)
- The micellar peptides without Versamune[®] generate a very weak CD8+ killer T-cell response even less than seen with Montanide

A 3D molecular model of a large protein complex, likely a viral capsid, rendered in a red, textured surface. The complex is roughly spherical with a highly irregular, bumpy surface. Several smaller, blue, textured protein subunits are scattered around the main complex, some appearing to be interacting with it. The background is a solid dark blue.

Development of PDS0101 for HPV16-associated cancers

PDS0101 is designed to treat cancers caused by human papillomavirus (HPV)-16, which represents 70-80% of the HPV-associated cancers

US annual HPV-associated cancer incidence¹



- Approximately **43,000 patients** are diagnosed with HPV-associated cancers annually in the US¹
- **Incidence rate of anal and head and neck cancer is growing** despite increased use of HPV preventative vaccines
- **Significant unmet medical need** across the spectrum of HPV-associated cancer

Clinical strategy: Develop PDS0101 in combination with established therapies for rapid proof-of-concept and risk mitigation

Combinations of PDS0101 with FDA-approved standard of care

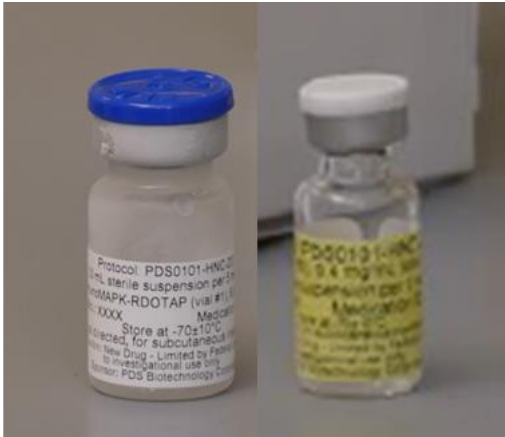
- ***Combination with KEYTRUDA®***
 - First line treatment of recurrent/metastatic HPV-positive head and neck cancer in patients who are checkpoint inhibitor naïve
 - First line treatment of recurrent/metastatic HPV-positive head and neck cancer in patients who are checkpoint inhibitor refractory
- ***Combination with chemoradiotherapy***
 - Treatment of advanced localized cervical cancer

Novel combinations of PDS0101 with promising, investigational immunotherapeutic agents

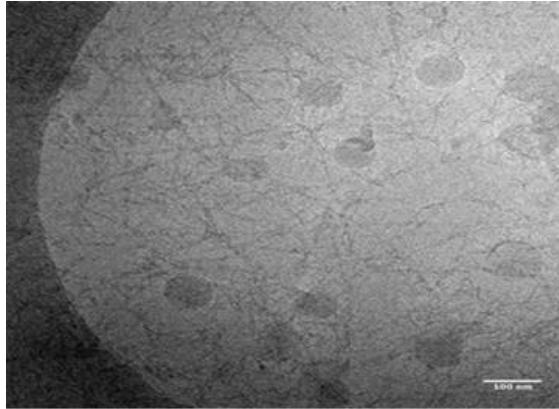
- ***Triple combination with bintrafusp-alpha and M9241***
 - Treatment of advanced HPV-associated cancers (anal, cervical, vaginal, head and neck etc.) in patients who are checkpoint inhibitor naïve
 - Treatment of advanced HPV-associated cancers (anal, cervical, vaginal, head and neck etc.) in patients who are checkpoint inhibitor refractory

PDS0101: Versamune® plus a proprietary mix of HPV16 antigens is engineered for simplicity and ease of administration

Delivered SC – no need for intratumoral or intranodal delivery



Vial #1 of Versamune® (L) and
Vial #2 of HPV16 mix (R)




PDS0101 formulation
is mixed before injection*



Delivered via
subcutaneous injection

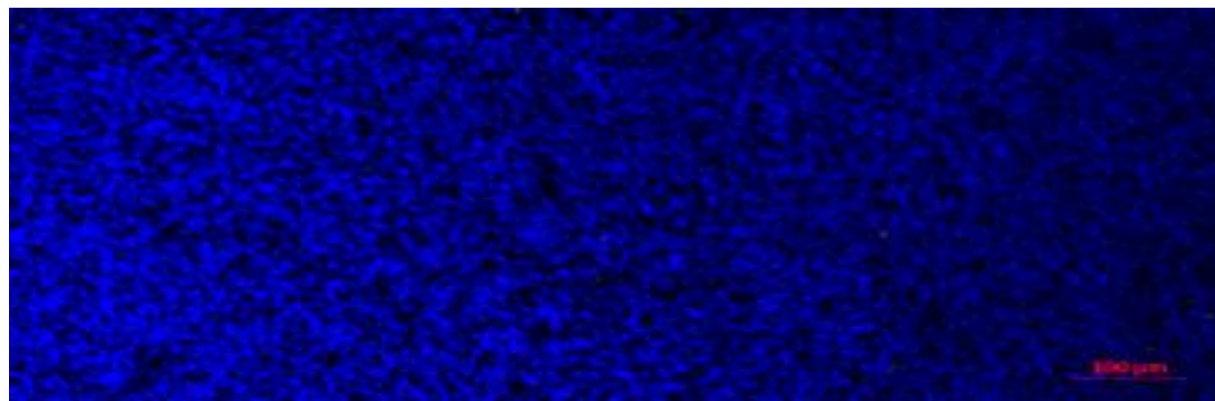
Phase 2 NCI-led clinical trial evaluating the triple combination of PDS0101, Bintrafusp alfa and M9241 in advanced HPV-associated cancer

Indication	Patients with advanced HPV-associated cancer who have failed prior treatment
Clinical Agents	Bintrafusp alfa: Bifunctional “trap” fusion protein M9241: Antibody-conjugated immuno-cytokine PDS0101: Versamune®-based immunotherapy generating HPV-specific CD8+ T-cells
Study goals	Group 1: Objective response rate (ORR) in <u>checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) naïve</u> patients Group 2: ORR in patients who have <u>failed checkpoint inhibitor therapy (CPI refractory)</u>
Timing	Full enrollment of 56 patients Complete enrollment expected by Q4 2021/Q1 2022
Trial Sponsor	

The objective of this trial is to confirm that PDS0101 enhances the therapeutic benefit of Bintrafusp alfa and M9241 and may lead to expanded evaluation in several pipeline products

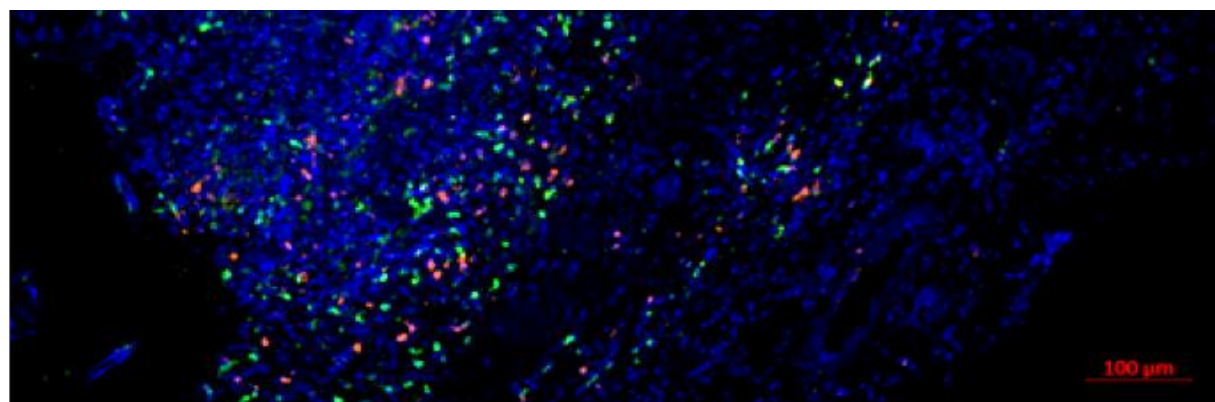
Preclinical study: Triple combination of PDS0101, Bintrafusp alfa (M7824) and M9241 (NHS-IL12) demonstrated higher targeted T-cell response

Combination of PDS0101 with Bintrafusp alfa or M9241 generated superior targeted T-cell response; triple combination demonstrated superior efficacy



Bintrafusp alfa (bi-functional checkpoint inhibitor)

Tumor Regression: 0/16 (0%)
T-cell Clones: 22



PDS0101 + Bintrafusp alfa + M9241

Tumor Regression: 13/17 (76%)
T-cell Clones: 3

T-cell clones per 25% of
TCR repertoire (Average)

Red – CD8+ (killer) T-cells
Green – CD4 + (helper) T-cells

“A Multifaceted Approach to Cancer Immunotherapy”



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PD(L)-1 Inhibitors and HPV-associated Cancers

- Cervical, SCCHN, rectal, vaginal, vulvar
 - > 30,000 new cases in the U.S. annually
 - > 630,000 annually worldwide
- Nivolumab and Pembrolizumab approved for SCCHN
- Pembrolizumab approved for PD-L1⁺ cervical cancer
- ORR ranged from 13–24%

Components of Effective Cancer Immunotherapy

Cancer vaccine

Induction of an immune response targeting tumor-associated antigens or tumor-specific neoantigens

Cytotoxic
T cells

Combination immunotherapies

Potential of immune response by cytokines such as IL-15 and IL-12

Effector natural
killer cells

Antibody-dependent
cell-mediated
cytotoxicity

Immunogenic modulation

Radiation
Chemotherapy
Endocrine
deprivation

Modulation of tumor environment

Reduction of immunosuppressive
cytokines TGF- β and IL-8
Checkpoint inhibitor
monoclonal antibodies



Epithelial-to-
mesenchymal
transition

Reversion of mesenchymalization

Increase susceptibility
of cancer cells to
T-cell-mediated lysis

A Multifaceted Approach to Cancer Immunotherapy

- Activation of a T-cell immune response to a tumor-associated/specific antigen
- Potentiation of the immune response
 - systemic
 - in the tumor microenvironment (TME)
- Reduction of immunosuppressive cells
- Alteration of the tumor phenotype to render tumor cells more susceptible to immune-mediated lysis

A Multifaceted Approach to Cancer Immunotherapy

- Activation of a T-cell immune response to a tumor-associated/specific antigen
HPV therapeutic vaccine (PDS0101)
- Potentiation of the immune response
 - systemic
 - in the tumor microenvironment (TME)
NHS-IL12 immunocytokine
- Reduction of immunosuppressive cells
Bintrafusp alfa (anti-PDL1/TGF β RII)
 - anti-PDL1 checkpoint
 - TGF β RII “traps” TGF β at TME
- Alteration of the tumor phenotype to render tumor cells more susceptible to immune-mediated lysis
Bintrafusp alfa (anti-PDL1/TGF β RII)
 - TGF β reduction: mesenchymal to epithelial transition



Triple therapy of HPV-associated malignancies with PDS0101, bintrafusp alfa, and NHS-IL12

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Immunomodulation to enhance the efficacy of an HPV therapeutic vaccine

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Jeffrey Schlom , Caroline Jochems 

HPV-associated malignancies

Human Papilloma Virus: dsDNA virus, > 200 strains

13 “high risk” strains, HPV16 and HPV18

Prevalence of high-risk HPV: Men: 25%

Women 20%

> 630,000 new cases worldwide annually

> 30,000 cases in the US

Cervical, Oropharyngeal and Anogenital cancers

Squamous cell carcinomas

★ **Poor prognosis for advanced disease**

NHS-IL12

EMD Serono

Immunocytokine; two IL12 heterodimers fused to the NHS76 antibody, which targets tumor necrosis

Phase I: Safe, increased IFN γ , influx of lymphocytes into the tumor



Bintrafusp alfa / M7824

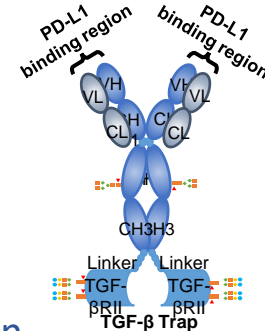
EMD Serono

Bifunctional fusion protein, human IgG1 anti-PDL1 and extracellular domain of TGF β RII (TGF β “trap”)

Well tolerated in Phase I study

Toxicity similar to anti-PD1/PDL1

HPV-associated cancer: 30.5% response rate
↑ HPV-specific T-cells



Publications: Bintrafusp alfa / M7824

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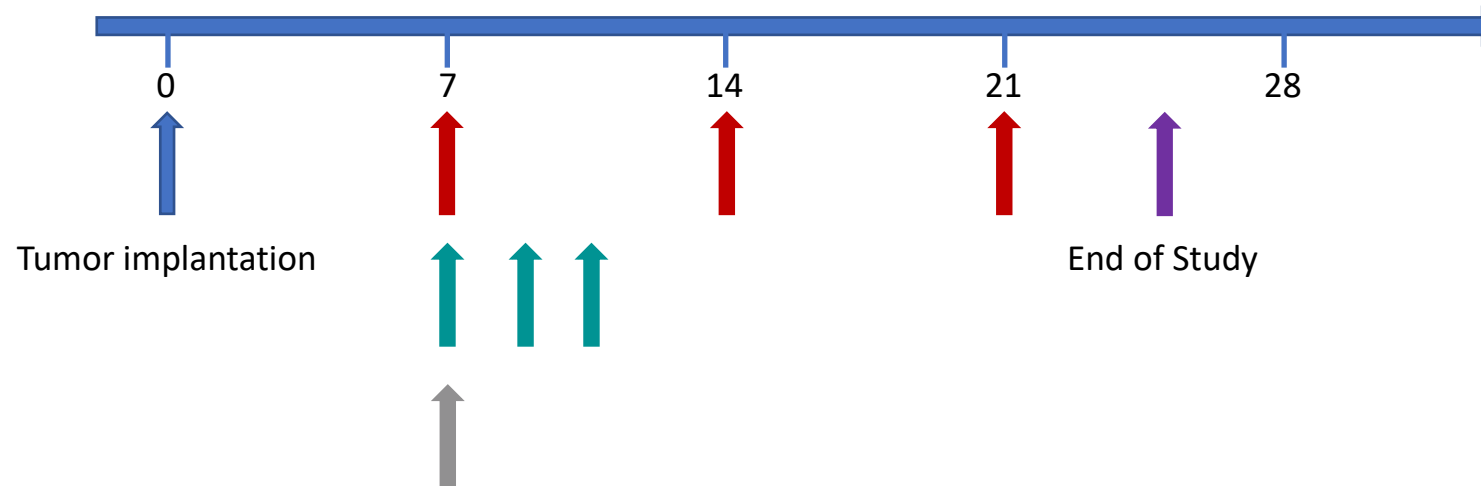
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Tumor model TC-1

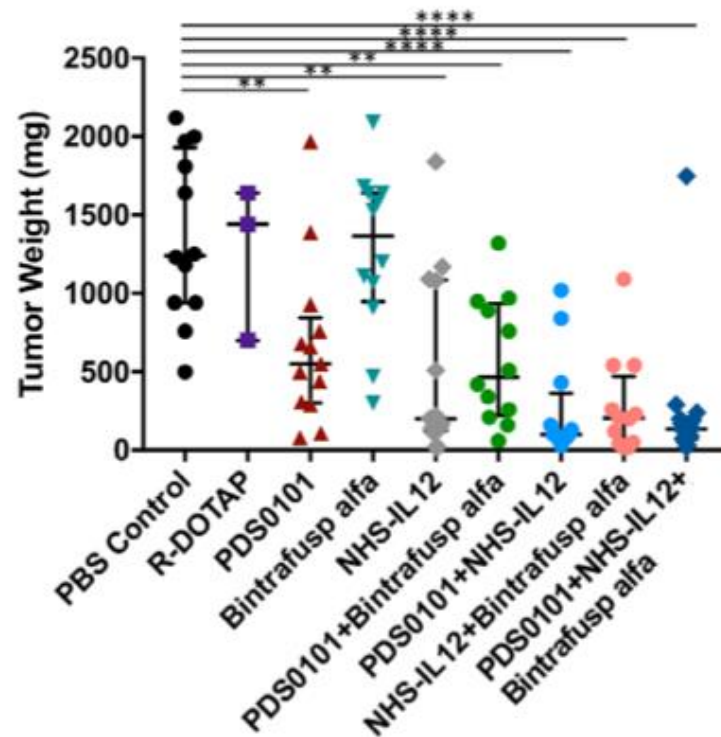
TC-1: syngeneic lung carcinoma cell line transformed with HPV16 E6/E7
TC Wu, Baltimore

Mice treated with:

- **PDS0101** s.c, weekly, days 7, 14, and 21
- **M7824** 250 µg i.p, days 7, 9, and 11
- **NHS-IL12** 50 µg s.c, day 7

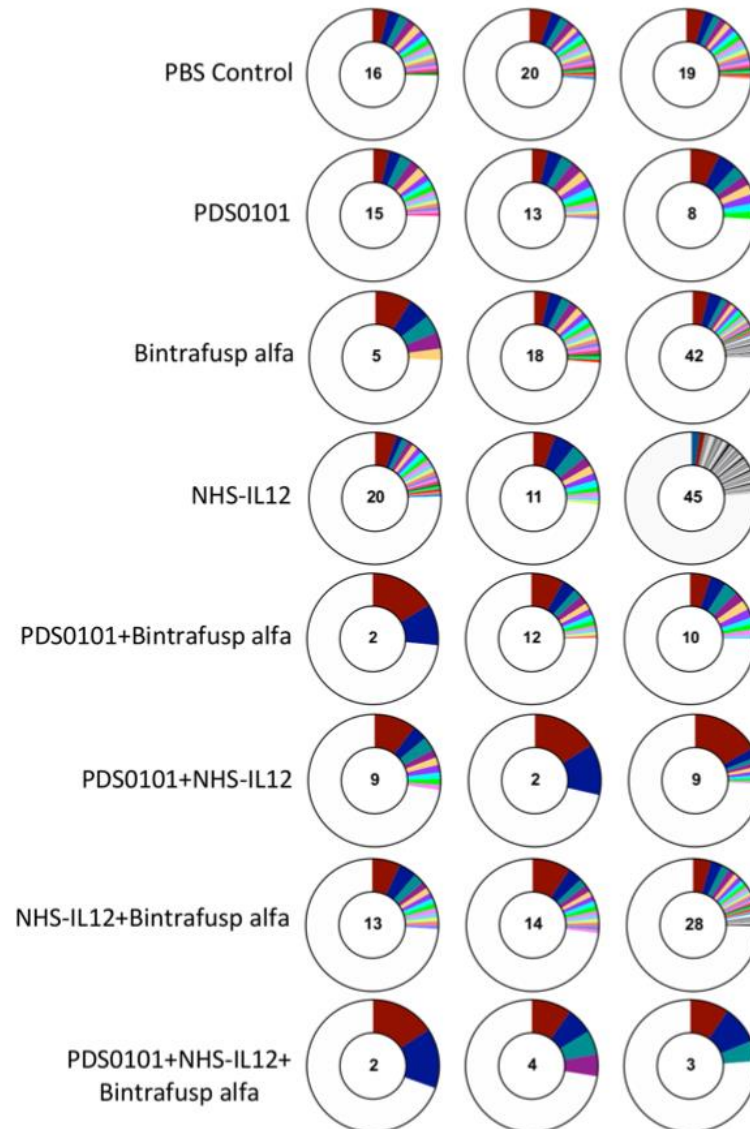


The combination of PDS0101, bintrafusp alfa, and NHS-IL12 reduced tumor volume in TC-1 bearing mice



Treatment	# Mice with Tumor Volume <300mm ³
PBS Control	0/16
R-DOTAP	0/8
PDS0101	3/16
Bintrafusp alfa	0/16
NHS-IL12	6/16
PDS0101+Bintrafusp alfa	5/16
PDS0101+NHS-IL12	10/16
NHS-IL12+Bintrafusp alfa	8/16
PDS0101+NHS-IL12+Bintrafusp alfa	13/17

The combination of PDS0101, bintrafusp alfa, and NHS-IL12 increased TCR clonality



Treatment	T-cell Clones per 25% of TCR Repertoire (Avg)
PBS Control	18
PDS0101	12
Bintrafusp alfa	22
NHS-IL12	25
PDS0101+Bintrafusp alfa	8
PDS0101+NHS-IL12	6
NHS-IL12+Bintrafusp alfa	18
PDS0101+NHS-IL12+Bintrafusp alfa	3

Tumor infiltrating lymphocytes (TILs) were purified from whole tumor.
DNA isolated from TILs was analyzed by Adaptive Biotechnology for TCR repertoire.

Conclusions

These studies provide a preclinical rationale for the on-going Phase I/II study run by Dr. Julius Strauss

PHASE II EVALUATION OF THE TRIPLE COMBINATION OF PDS0101, M9241, AND BINTRAFUSP ALFA IN PATIENTS WITH HPV 16 POSITIVE MALIGNANCIES

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Study Design

- Patients with advanced HPV-related cancers received the combination of bintrafusp alfa at 1200 mg flat dose i.v. q 2wks, M9241 at 16.8 mcg/kg s.c. q 4 wks and PDS0101 given as two separate 0.5 ml s.c. injections q 4 wks [NCT04287868]
- Dose reductions of M9241 to 8 mcg/kg were allowed as well as skipped doses of agent(s) for toxicities
- HPV genotyping was done with PCR based assays (BD Onclarity or Molecular MD) if testing not already done



Treatment until confirmed progression, unacceptable toxicity, or any criteria for withdrawal; treatment past progression was allowed

Results

	All patients N=25
Age, median (range), years	50 (37-80)
Female, n (%)	17 (68)
Tumor type, n (%)	
Cervical	10 (40)
Anal	6 (24)
Head & Neck SCC	6 (24)
Vulvar/ Vaginal	3 (12)
Number of prior anticancer therapies, n (%)	
1	5 (20)
2	11 (44)
≥3	9 (36)
Prior chemotherapy, n (%)	25 (100)
Prior radiotherapy, n (%)	24 (96)
Prior PD-(L)1 inhibitor therapy, n (%)	14 (56)
HPV status, n (%)	
HPV 16	18 (72)
HPV type other than 16	6 (24)
Negative	1 (4)

Key baseline patient and disease characteristics

- As of 01 MAR 2021, 25 patients had received the triple combination of PDS0101, M9241 & bintrafusp alfa
 - The median follow-up is 8 months

Results

	All patients N=25
	Grade ≥2
Treatment-related adverse events (TRAEs)	23 (92)
TRAEs leading to discontinuation of ≥ 1 drug(s)	5 (20)
Treatment-related serious AEs	7 (28)
TRAEs in ≥5% of patients	
Anemia	12 (48)
Lymphocyte decrease	7 (28)
Flu like symptoms	6 (24)
Injection site reactions	5 (20)
Hematuria	4 (16)
AST/ ALT/ Alk phos elevation	4 (16)
Keratoacanthomas	4 (16)
Leukocyte decrease	3 (12)
Maculopapular rash	3 (12)
Pruritis	3 (12)
Nausea/ vomiting	3 (12)
Mucositis	3 (12)
Hypothyroidism	3 (12)
Peripheral motor neuropathy	2 (8)
Fatigue	2 (8)

1. Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis

Safety summary

- Grade 3 TRAEs occurred in 10 (40%) patients
 - anemia due to hematuria (n=4), AST/ALT elevation (n=2); flu like symptoms (n=1), nausea/ vomiting (n=1), leukopenia (n=1), lymphopenia (n=2), HLH¹ (n=1)
- All four patients with grade 3 hematuria had cervical ca with prior pelvic RT + brachytherapy
- One patient with transient grade 3 leukopenia and lymphopenia also had transient grade 4 neutropenia
- 4 patients who originally had grade 3 toxicities with the triple combo including M9241 at 16.8 mcg/kg tolerated the triple combo with M9241 at 8 mcg/kg w/o any further grade ≥3 toxicities
- No treatment-related deaths occurred

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Results

	All patients N=25	HPV 16+ N=18	HPV 16+ CPI Naïve N=6	HPV 16+ CPI Refractory N=12
BOR, n (%)				
Complete response (CR)	2 (8)	2 (11.1)	1 (16.7)	1 (8.3)
Partial response (PR)	8 (32)	8 (44.4)	4 (66.7)	4 (33.3)
ORR (CR+PR), n (%)	10 (40)	10 (55.6)	5 (83.3)	5 (41.7)
Disease Reduction, n (%)	13 (52)	12 (66.7)	5 (83.3)	7 (58.3)
Ongoing response, n/n (%)	8/10 (80)	8/10 (80%)	4/5 (80%)	4/5 (80%)
Overall Survival, n/n (%)*	20/25 (80)	16/18 (88.9)	6/6 (100)	10/12 (83.3)

* Median 8 months of follow up

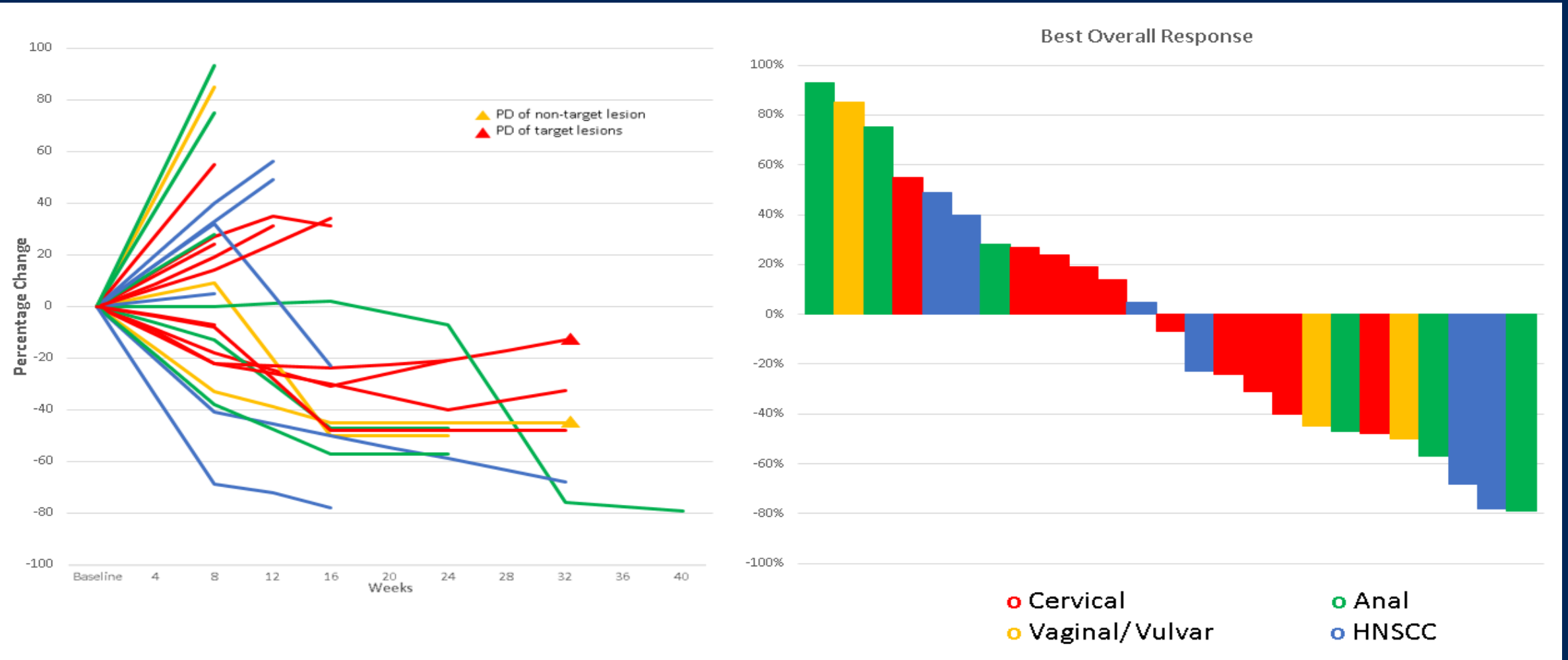
Patient Outcomes

- ORR 55.6% (tumor reduction 66.7%) in HPV 16+ disease
- ORR 83.3% in CPI naïve HPV 16+ disease
- ORR 41.7% (tumor reduction 58.3%) in CPI refractory HPV 16+ disease
- After a median 8 months of follow up:
 - 80% of responses are ongoing
 - 6/6 (100%) pts with HPV 16+ CPI naïve disease remain alive (historical median OS is 7-11 mo)¹⁻⁶
 - 10/12 (83.3%) pts with HPV 16+ CPI refractory disease remain alive (historical median OS is 3-4 mo)⁷

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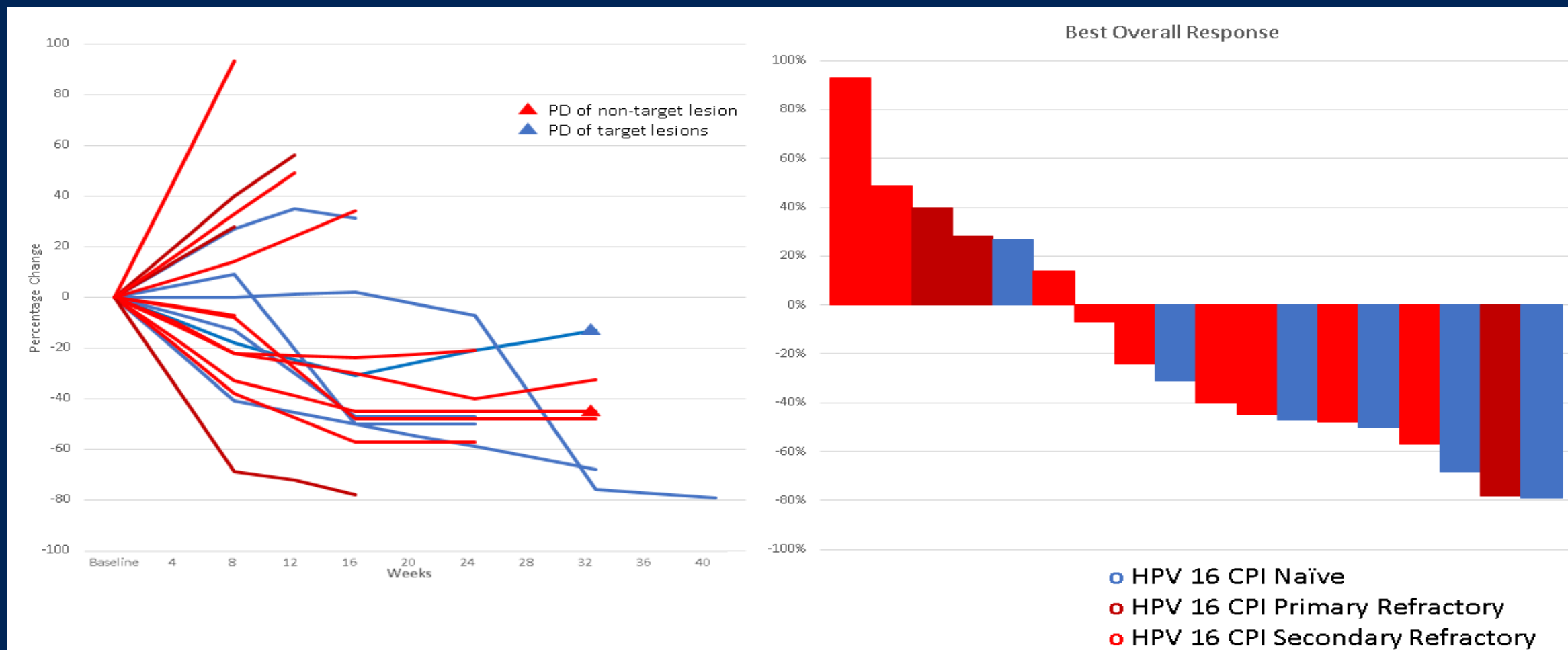
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Results



- Responses in HPV 16+ disease occurred irrespective of tumor type

Results



- Overwhelming majority of HPV 16+ CPI naïve pts had a response
- Majority of HPV 16+ CPI refractory pts had tumor shrinkage

Primary Refractory: Prior PD or SD < 6 months
Secondary Refractory: Prior PR or SD > 6 months

Conclusions

- Triple combination of PDS0101, M9241 and bintrafusp alfa appears to have a manageable safety profile along with early evidence of notable clinical activity for pts with advanced HPV 16+ malignancies
- Clinical activity noted irrespective of tumor type or CPI status
- ORR was 55.6% (tumor reduction 66.7%) in all pts with advanced HPV 16+ disease
- ORR was 83.3% in patients with CPI naïve HPV 16+ disease
- ORR was 41.7% (tumor reduction 58.3%) in patients with CPI refractory HPV 16+ disease
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- Accrual is ongoing to the triple combination [NCT04287868]

Clinical strategy: Develop PDS0101 in combination with established therapies for rapid proof-of-concept and risk mitigation


Combinations of PDS0101 with FDA-approved standard of care

- ***Combination with KEYTRUDA®***
 - First line treatment of recurrent/metastatic HPV-positive head and neck cancer in patients who are checkpoint inhibitor naïve
 - First line treatment of recurrent/metastatic HPV-positive head and neck cancer in patients who are checkpoint inhibitor refractory
- ***Combination with chemoradiotherapy***
 - Treatment of advanced localized cervical cancer

Novel combinations of PDS0101 with promising, investigational immunotherapeutic agents

- ✓ ***Triple combination with bintrafusp-alpha and M9241***
 - Treatment of advanced HPV-associated cancers (anal, cervical, vaginal, head and neck etc.) in patients who are checkpoint inhibitor naïve
 - Treatment of advanced HPV-associated cancers (anal, cervical, vaginal, head and neck etc.) in patients who are checkpoint inhibitor refractory

PDS Biotech-sponsored phase 2 trial evaluating the combination of PDS0101 and KEYTRUDA for first-line treatment of HPV-associated metastatic/recurrent head and neck cancer (VERSATILE-002)

Indication	First line treatment of patients with HPV-associated head and neck cancer whose cancer has spread or returned
Clinical Agents	KEYTRUDA® (Standard of Care): Anti-PD1 checkpoint inhibitor (ORR ~20%) PDS0101: Versamune®-based immunotherapy generating HPV-specific CD8+ and CD4+ T-cells
Study goals	Group 1: Objective response rate (ORR) in checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) naïve patients Group 2: ORR in patients who have failed checkpoint inhibitor therapy (CPI refractory)
Timing	Preliminary data anticipated Q4 2021/Q1 2022: ORR minimum of 4 of 17 in CPI naïve and 2 of 21 in CPI refractory required for subsequent stage 2 enrollment (n=95 patients)
Trial Partner	

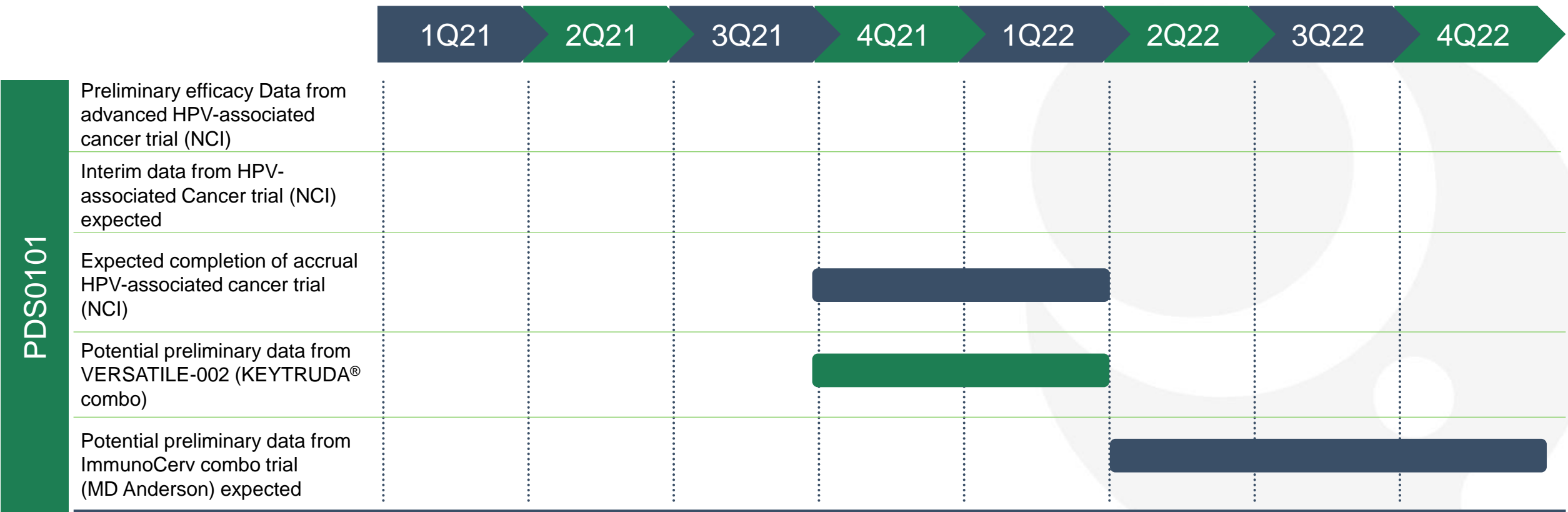
If achieved, confirmation that PDS0101 enhances the therapeutic benefit of checkpoint inhibitors could expand evaluation of Versamune®-based therapies in multiple cancer indications

A Phase 2, investigator-initiated clinical trial evaluating PDS0101 in combination with chemoradiation therapy in patients with locally advanced cervical cancer (IMMUNOCERV)

Indication	Treatment of patients with locally advanced cervical cancer – Stages IB3-IVA
Clinical Agents	Chemoradiotherapy (CRT – Standard of Care): Cisplatin & radiation therapy PDS0101: Versamune®-based immunotherapy generating HPV-specific CD8+ and CD4+ T-cells
Study goals	Safety, rate of regression and local control in patients with primary tumor ≥5cm (n=35 patients)
Timing	Preliminary data anticipated Q4 2021/1H 2022 – Rate of complete response by PET-CT at 6 months and rate of tumor volume reduction by MRI at 30-40 days from start of treatment
Trial Sponsor	<small>THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS</small> MD Anderson Cancer Center

If successful, this study could support further investigation of Versamune®-based immunotherapies in combination with chemotherapy or CRT to treat multiple cancers

Projected PDS0101 milestones through 2022*



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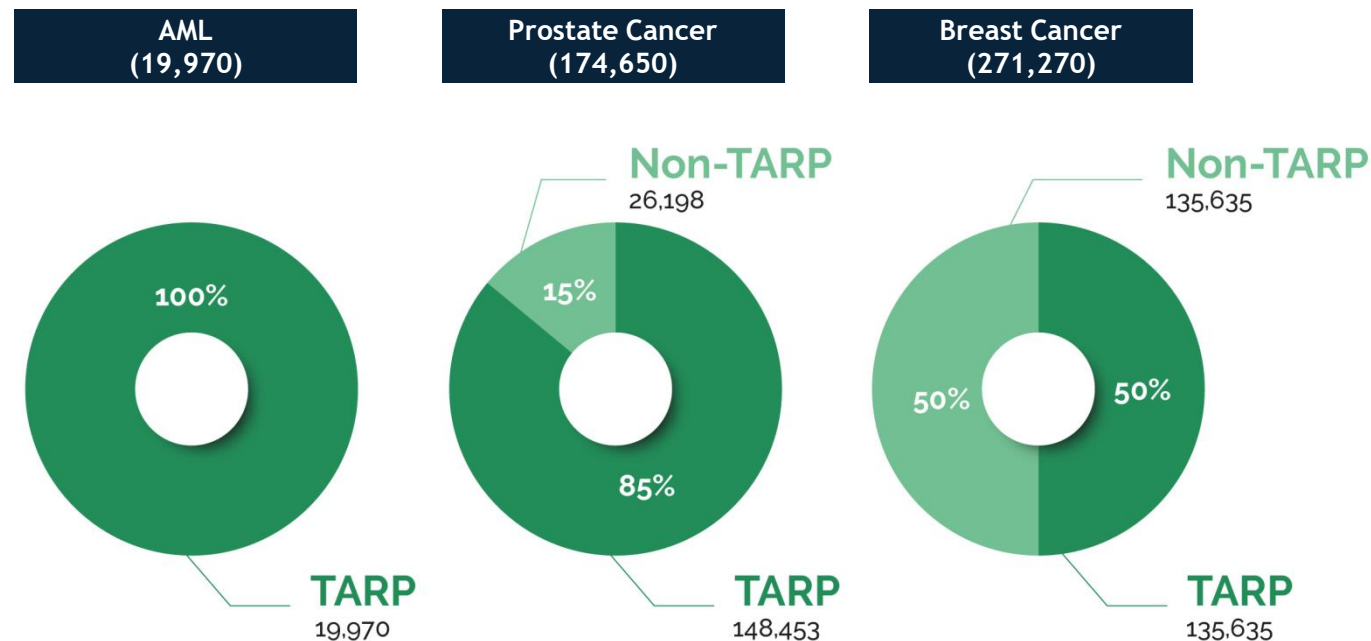
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Development of PDS0102 for TARP-related cancers

PDS0102 is designed to treat cancers caused by T-cell receptor gamma alternate reading frame protein (TARP), including AML, prostate and breast cancers

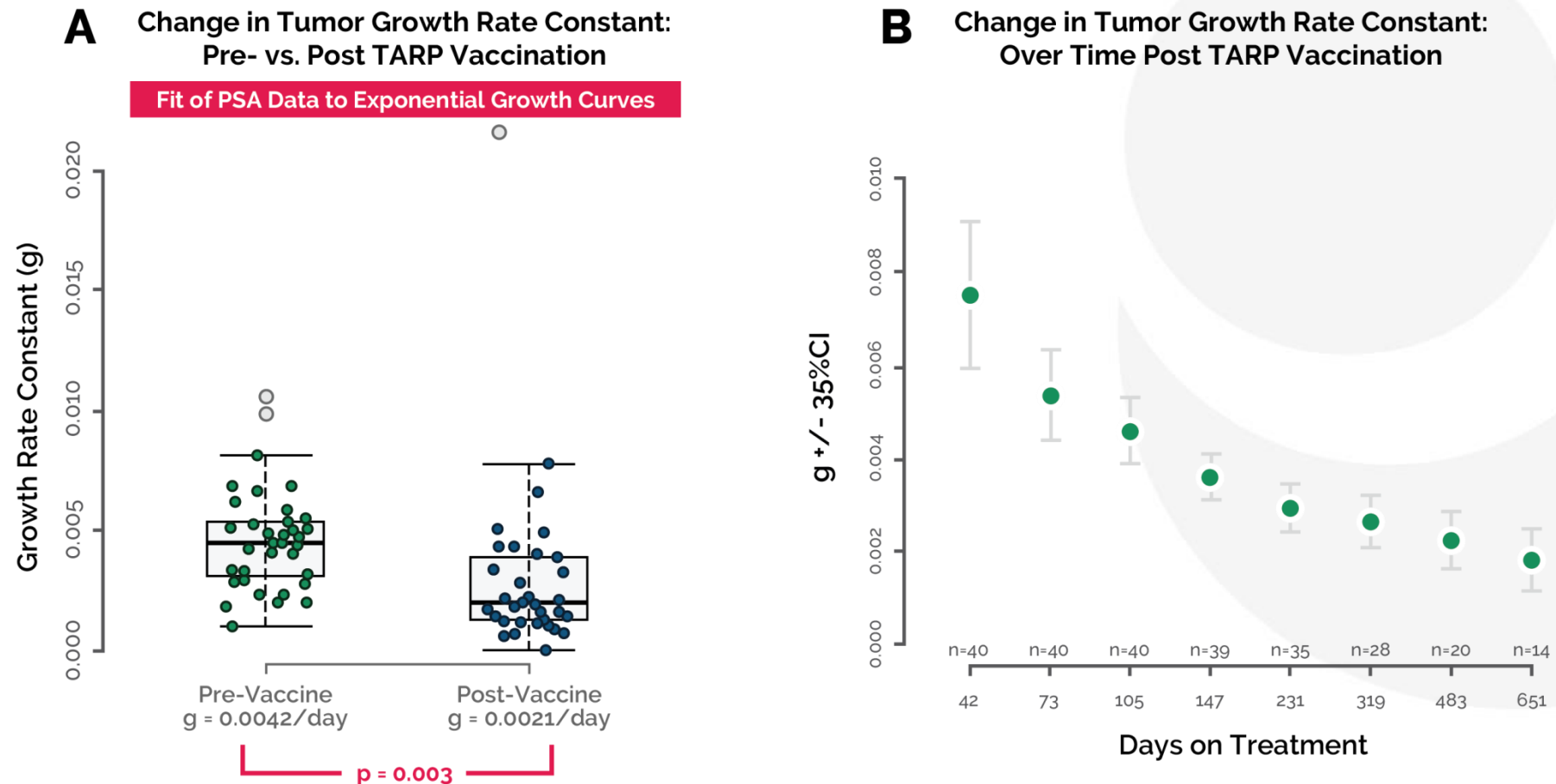
Approximately 470,000 patients are diagnosed annually with AML, prostate or breast cancer, most of which are associated with target T-cell receptor gamma alternate reading frame protein (TARP)



- **Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML)**
 - Almost 20,000 cases in the US annually
 - TARP expressed in 100% of AML
- **Prostate cancer**
 - Almost 175,000 US cases annually
 - The immunogenic TARP protein is expressed in about 85% of prostate cancers at all stages of the disease[^]
- **Breast cancer**
 - More than 270,000 US cases annually
 - TARP expressed in about 50% of breast cancers at all stages of the disease

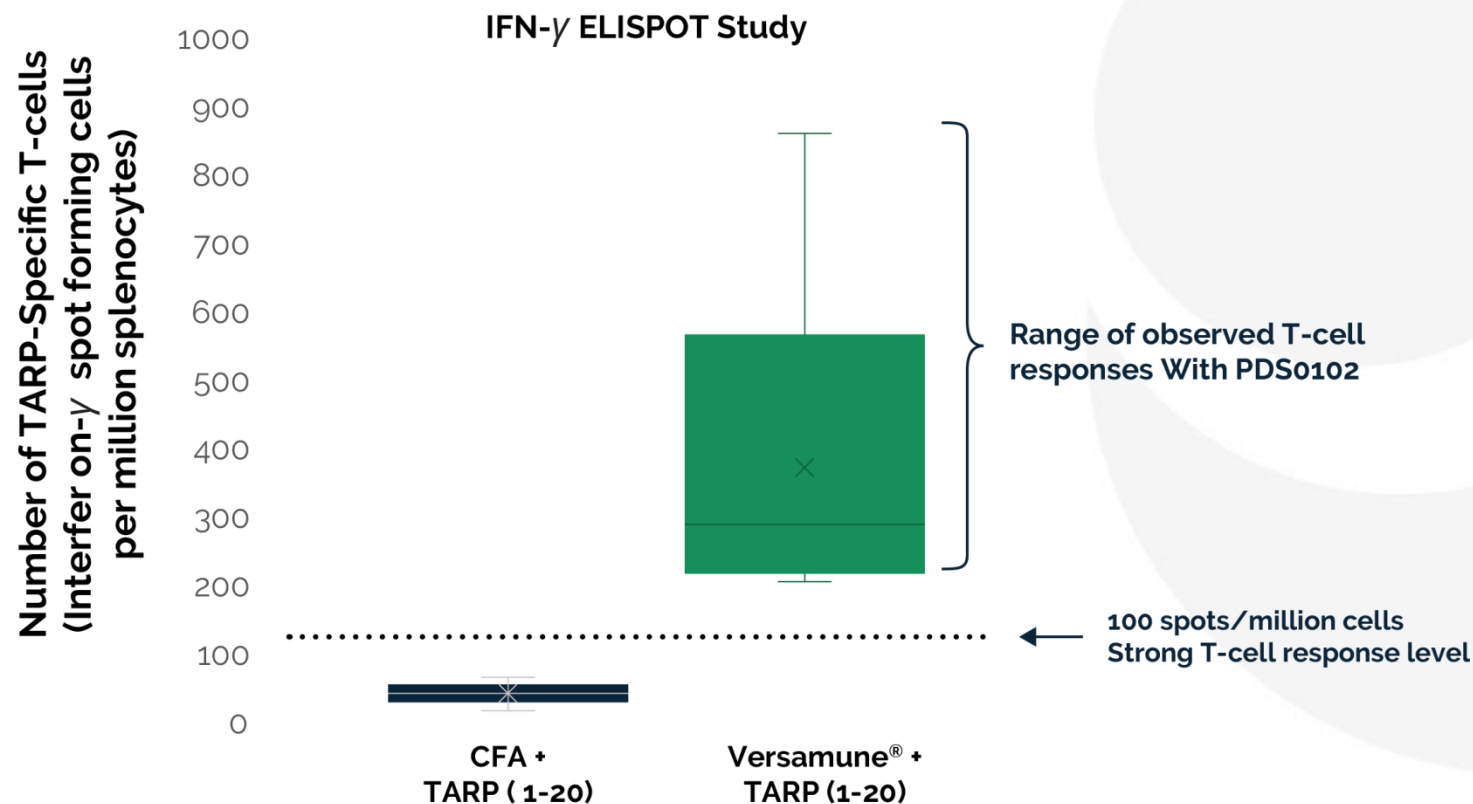
The TARP antigen used in PDS0102 has been validated for use in cancer immunotherapy

Patients with Stage D0 prostate cancer vaccinated with TARP showed a significant decrease in tumor growth rate based on PSA levels*



PDS0102 may provide superior induction of TARP-specific tumor attacking CD8+ killer T-cells

PRE-CLINICAL OPTIMIZATION STUDIES: TARP-Specific T-cell Induction after 2 injections of PDS0102



Clinical strategy: Develop PDS0102 both as monotherapy and in combination with established therapies in prostate cancer, then expand

Early Disease

Confirm PDS0102 immunogenicity and tumor infiltration as monotherapy and in combination:

- ***Prostate cancer – active surveillance***
 - Evaluate safety, immunogenicity and pathologic response of neoadjuvant PDS0102 as a monotherapy and in combination with checkpoint inhibitors
- ***TARP-positive breast cancer – DCIS***
 - Evaluate safety, immunogenicity and pathologic response of neoadjuvant PDS0102 as a monotherapy and in combination with checkpoint inhibitors
 - Evaluate options for companion diagnostic to identify appropriate patients

Advanced Disease

Explore PDS0102 safety and immunogenicity in combination with SOC agents / regimens

- ***Treatment of mCSPC and mCRPC***
 - Establish safety, immunogenicity and preliminary efficacy
- ***Treatment of recurrent/metastatic BC***
 - Establish safety, immunogenicity, preliminary efficacy
 - Validation of companion diagnostics
- ***Treatment of AML***
 - Establish PDS0102 safety and immunogenicity in hematologic malignancies



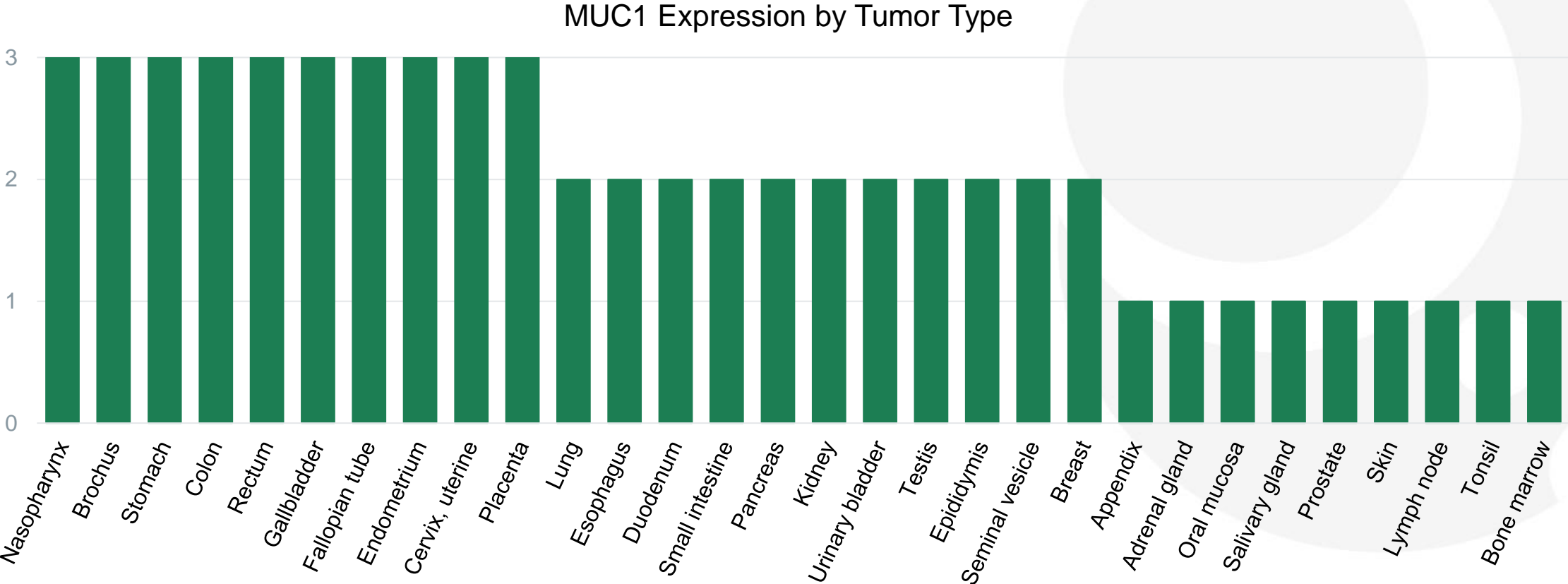
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Development of PDS0103 for MUC1-related cancers

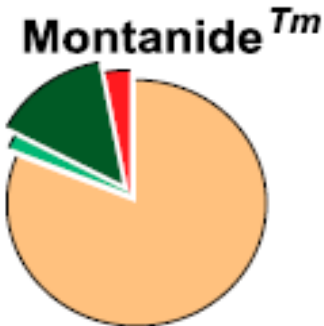
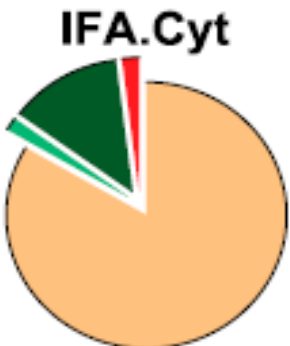
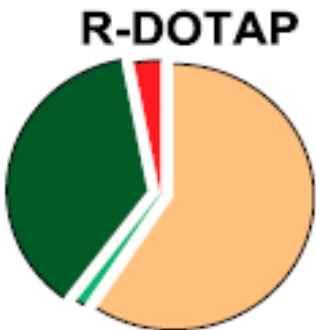
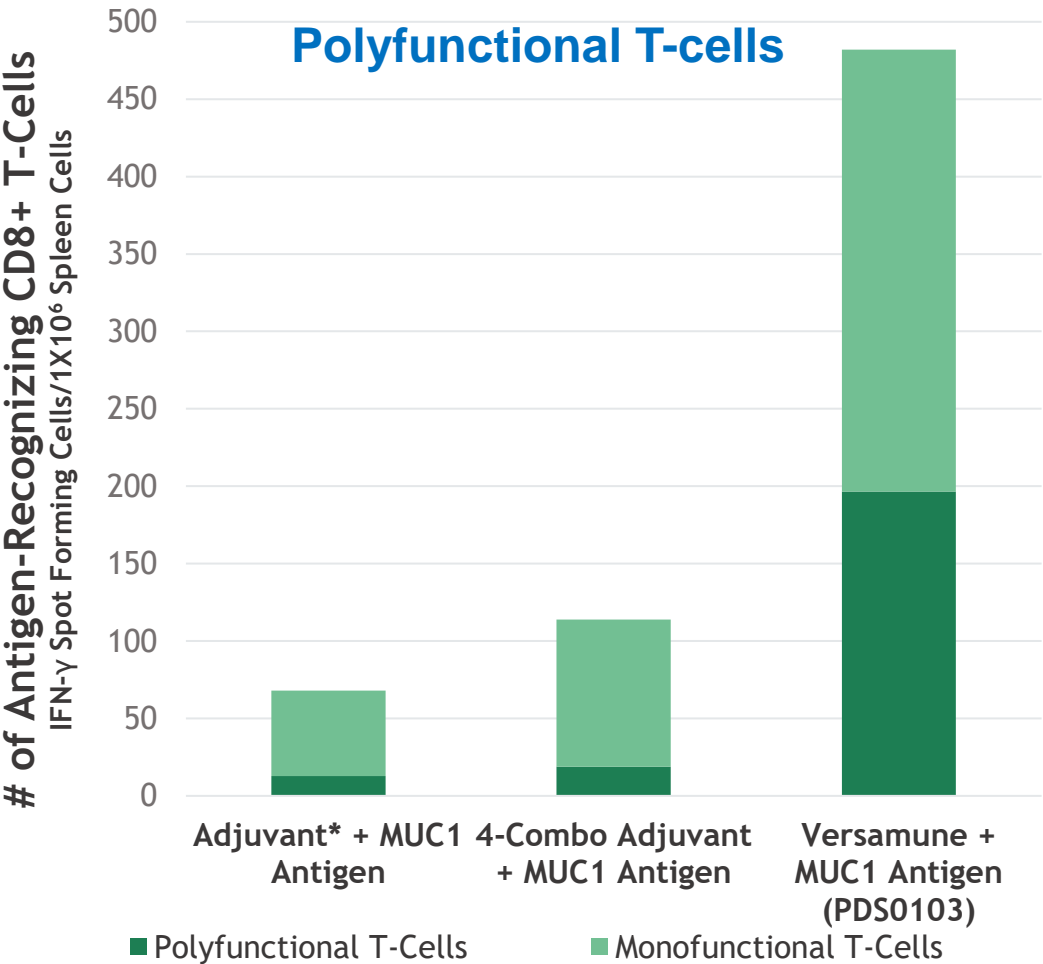
PDS0103 is designed to treat cancers caused by mucin-1 (MUC1), which is highly expressed in solid tumors and is associated with poor prognosis

Clinical trial design will seek to evaluate PDS0103 in tumor types with the highest expression of MUC1 and the greatest differences in MUC1 expression between malignant and healthy tissue



Greater quantity and quality of Versamune[®]-induced CD8+ killer T-cells may result in unique ability to eradicate MUC1-positive tumors

Induced a >10-fold number of polyfunctional MUC1 specific CD8+ T-cells



MUC1 agonist epitopes for therapeutic cancer vaccine development

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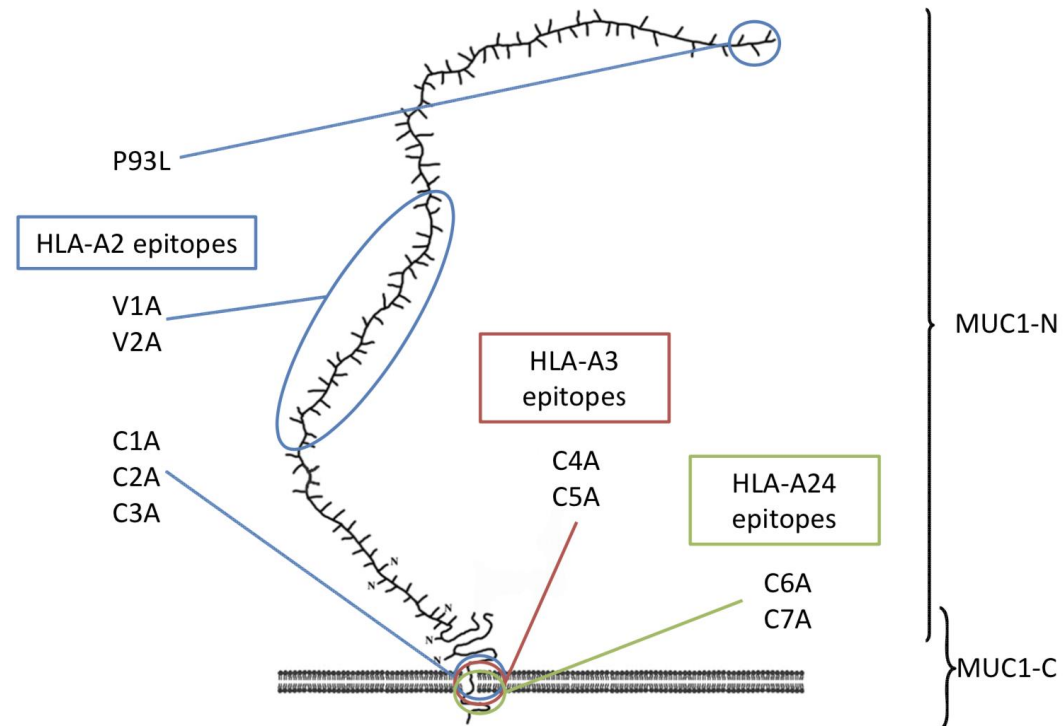
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MUC1

- Expressed in >90% of all carcinomas
- Aberrantly expressed in cancer
- N-terminus of MUC1: extracellular, shed
- C-terminus of MUC1:
 - Transmembrane and intracellular parts
 - Oncogene
 - Drives lineage plasticity by inducing EMT (Epithelial to Mesenchymal Transition)
 - Associated with more malignant phenotype
 - Associated with immune evasion
- MUC1-C is a druggable target: CAR T-cells, antibody-drug conjugates, and a functional inhibitor are under clinical development
- Donald W. Kufe, M.D., Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

MUC1 epitope designations and locations



Identification and characterization of agonist epitopes of the MUC1-C oncoprotein

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Agonist epitopes
Change individual amino acids
Better MHC binding
Better presentation
Better T-cell stimulation

Table 1 MUC1 HLA-A2-, HLA-A3-, and HLA-A24-binding peptides and potential agonists, with predicted binding and T2-cell binding assay

Peptide	Location	Position	Sequence	Class I allele	Predicted binding*	Actual binding [#]
C1	C domain	1172–1181	ALAIVYLIAl	A2	49	249
C1A			Y LAIVYLIAl		226	245
C2			YLIAlAVCQC		52	211
C2A	C domain	1177–1186	YLIAlAVCQ V	A2	736	299
C3			SLSYTNPAV		70	326
C3A			Y LSYTNPAV		320	342
V1	VNTR region	150–158	STAPPAHGV	A2	1	166
V1A			Y LAPPAHGV		320	486
V2			APDTRPAPG		0	210
V2A	VNTR region	141–149	Y LDTRPAPV	A2	128	647
C4			ALAIVYLIAl		5	NA
C4A			Al F IVYLI A K		900	NA
C5	C domain	483–491	STDRSPYEK	A3	3	NA
C5A			SLFRSPYEK		300	NA
C6			TYHPMSEYPT		6	NA
C6A	C domain	462–471	K YHPMSEY A L	A24	480	NA
C7			SYTNPAVAA		5	NA
C7A			K YTNPAV A L		400	NA

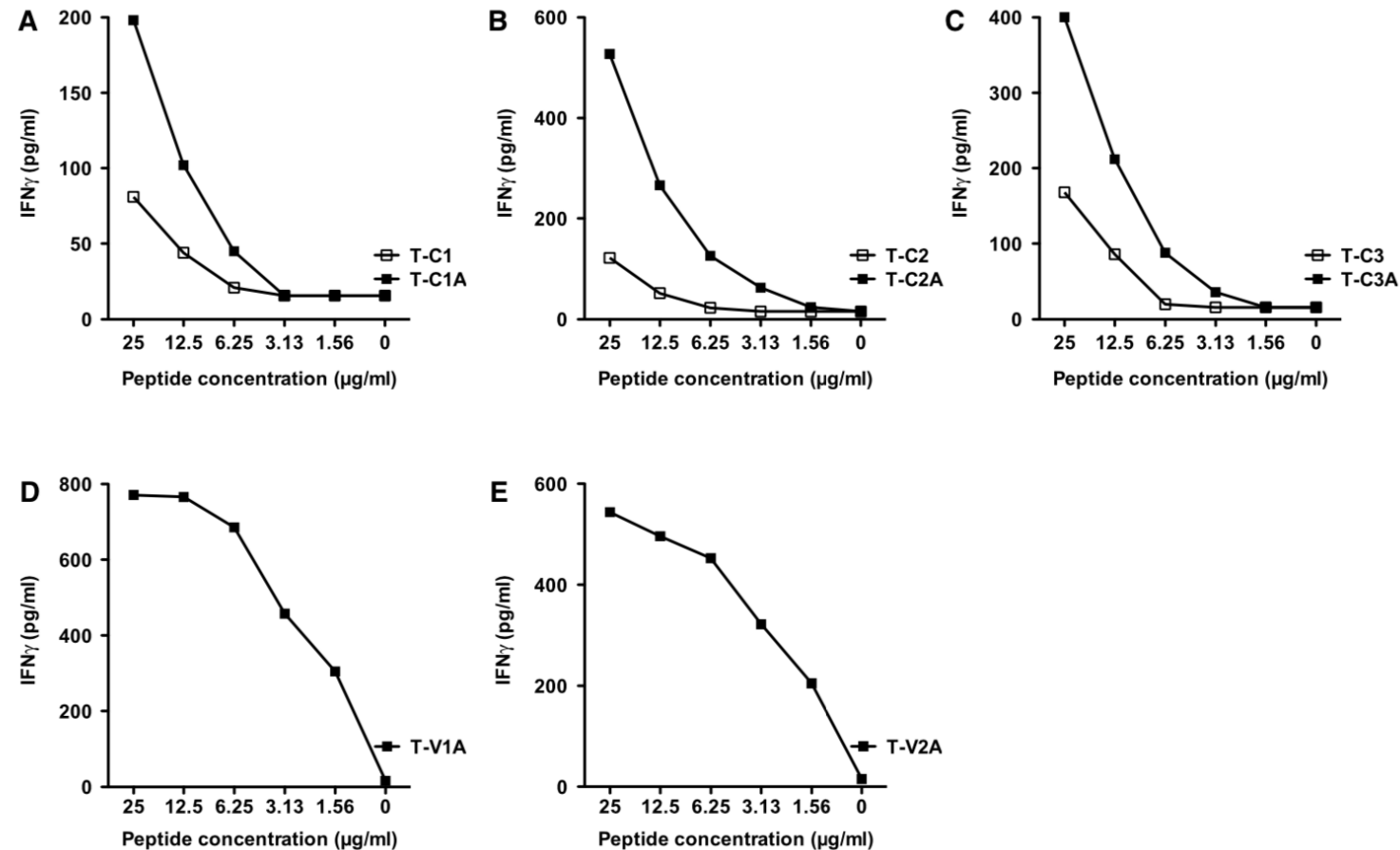
Amino acids that were changed to generate an agonist epitope are in bold

Table 2 Inability of the predicted HLA-A2 binding to predict the biologic activity of MUC1 peptides

Peptide	Position	Sequence	Predicted binding to HLA-A2	T2-A2 binding	Level of killing by peptide-specific CTL	Level of IFN-γ produced by peptide-specific CTL
C1A	1172	YLAIVYLIAl	5	5	2	3
C2A	1177	YLIAlAVCQV	3	3	1	1
C3A	1240	YLSYTNPAV	4	1	3	2
C8A	1135	YLSDVSVSDV	1	2	Negative	4
C9A	1162	YLLVLVCVLV	2	4	Negative	Negative

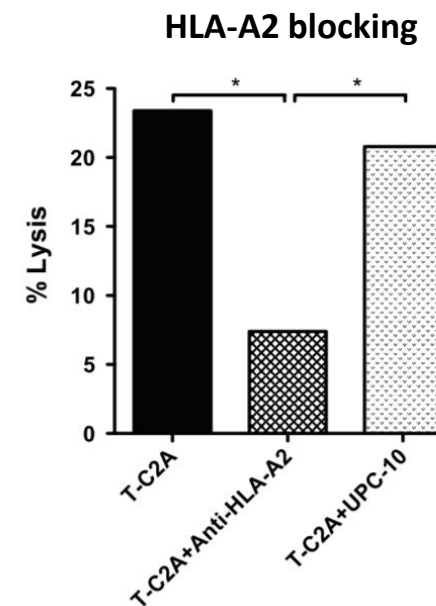
Comparison and ranking of predicted and actual binding, as well as peptide-specific killing and IFN-γ production for potential agonist epitope peptides for MUC1-C. We found that the predicted binding of an epitope did not always correspond to the actual binding to T2-A2 cells and also that the epitope with the best binding affinity did not always generate T cells with the most efficient tumor cell killing or IFN-γ production. 1 = highest level, 5 = lowest level. The agonist epitopes C8A and C9A were not among those evaluated in the other figures and tables

Production of IFN γ by native and agonist specific T cell lines stimulated with the native and agonist HLA-A2 epitopes



MUC1 native and agonist epitope-specific T cell lines lyse tumor cell lines expressing MUC1 and HLA-A2

T cell line	E:T ratio	MCF-7 MUC1 ⁺ HLA-A2 ⁺	SK-Mel MUC1 ⁻ HLA-A2 ⁺
T-1-C1	50:1	26.4	8.0
	25:1	3.9	-
T-1-C1A	50:1	40.7	0
	25:1	25.5	-
T-1-C2	50:1	53.6	4.6
	25:1	38.5	-
T-1-C2A	50:1	54.4	0
	25:1	46.2	-
T-2-C3	50:1	9.2	-
	25:1	8.4	0.8
T-2-C3A	50:1	25.9	-
	25:1	20.8	1.3
T-1-V1	25:1	N/A	N/A
	12.5:1	N/A	N/A
T-1-V1A	25:1	42.2	5.0
	12.5:1	24.6	0
T-1-V2	25:1	N/A	N/A
	12.5:1	N/A	N/A
T-1-V2A	25:1	53.4	0
	12.5:1	45.1	1.5



MCF-7 (breast carcinoma cell line); SK-Mel (melanoma cell line)

Results are expressed as % specific lysis. N/A = not applicable.

Functional assays with MUC1 agonist peptides compared to native peptides

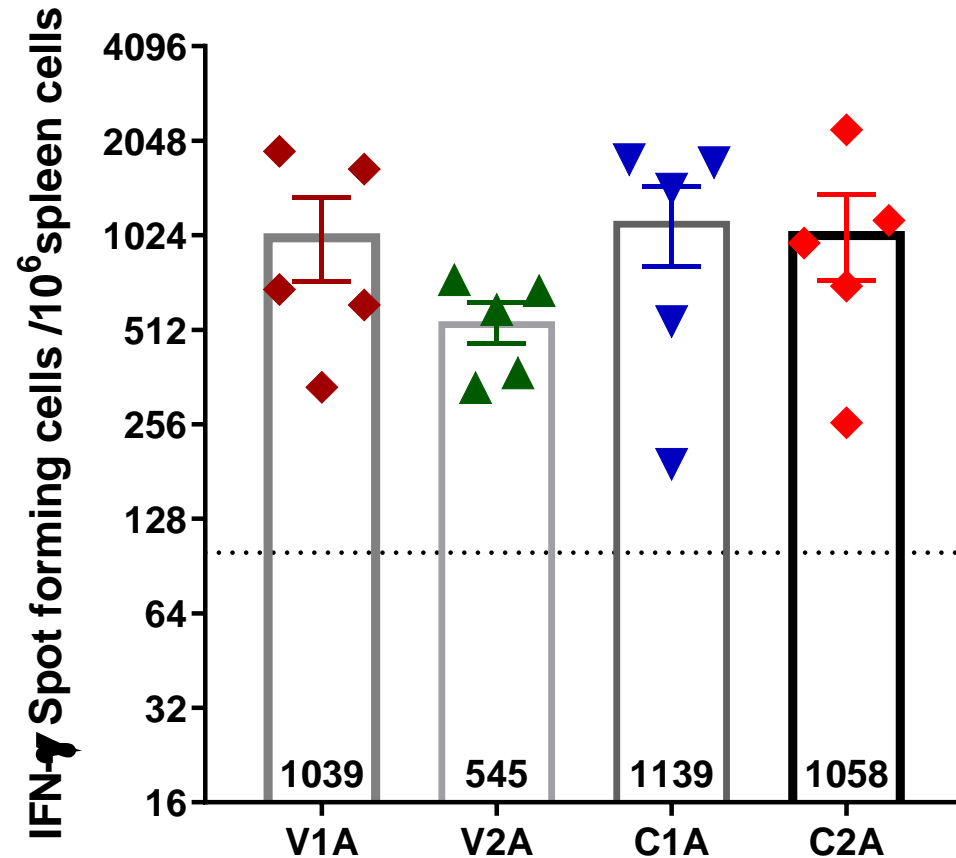
MUC1 Region	HLA allele	Designation	Agonist vs. Native Tumor Lysis	Agonist vs. Native IFN γ	Agonist Lysis of Tumor	Agonist IFN γ Production
N-non-VNTR	A2	P93L	+	+	+	+
VNTR	A2	V1	NA*	NA*	+	+
VNTR	A2	V2	NA*	NA*	+	+
C domain	A2	C1	+	+	+	+
C domain	A2	C2	+	+	+	+
C domain	A2	C3	+	+	+	+
C domain	A3	C4	+	+	+	+
C domain	A3	C5	+	+	+	+
C domain	A24	C6	NA*	NA*	+	+
C domain	A24	C7		+	+	+

* T-cell line could not be established from the native epitope.

Conclusions

1. 10 agonist epitopes have been identified for MUC1
 - **7** are in the oncogenic C-terminus
2. Compared to T-cells generated with the native epitopes, T-cells generated with the agonists show greater lysis of tumor cells expressing native MUC1
3. All 10 agonist epitopes are included in PDS0103
4. The LTIB will evaluate activation of human T-cells
5. The LTIB will test anti-tumor activity of the HLA-A2, A3 and A24 peptides in a TKO NSG mouse model humanized by reconstitution with healthy donor PBMC, and bearing human HLA-A2, A3 or A24 tumors expressing the native MUC1

PDS0103 (MUC1) demonstrates potent induction of MUC1-specific T cells across multiple epitopes



- PDS0103 formulation EN10 was tested in HLA-A2 transgenic mice.
- Vaccine immunogenicity was assessed using HLA-A2 specific epitopes V1A, V2A, C1A, and C2A.
- Similar results were obtained with other PDS0103 formulations and found to be equally potent in inducing vaccine-specific immune responses (data not shown).

Clinical strategy: Develop PDS0103 in a basket trial of MUC1-associated cancers in combination with established and investigational therapies

Combinations of PDS0103 with FDA-approved standard of care

- ***Treatment of advanced MUC1-associated cancers*** (breast, colorectal, NSCLC and ovarian)
 - Combination with checkpoint inhibitor therapy
 - Combination with chemoradiotherapy

Novel combinations of PDS0103 with promising, investigational immunotherapeutic agents

- ***Treatment of advanced MUC1-associated cancers*** ((breast, colorectal, NSCLC and ovarian)
 - Triple combination with bintrafusp-alpha (bi-functional checkpoint inhibitor - M7824) and M9241 (antibody conjugated immuno-cytokine NHS-IL12)

Clinical disease indications that could potentially be targeted by dual Versamune®-based platforms

PDS0101 (HPV16mix)

Anal
Cervical
HNC
Penile
Vaginal / Vulvar

PDS0102 (TARP)

AML
Prostate
Breast

PDS0103 (MUC1)

Breast
Colorectal
Lung
Ovarian
Cervix
HNC

PDS0101 / PDS0103

Cervical
NPC HNC

PDS0102 / PDS0103

Breast
Prostate

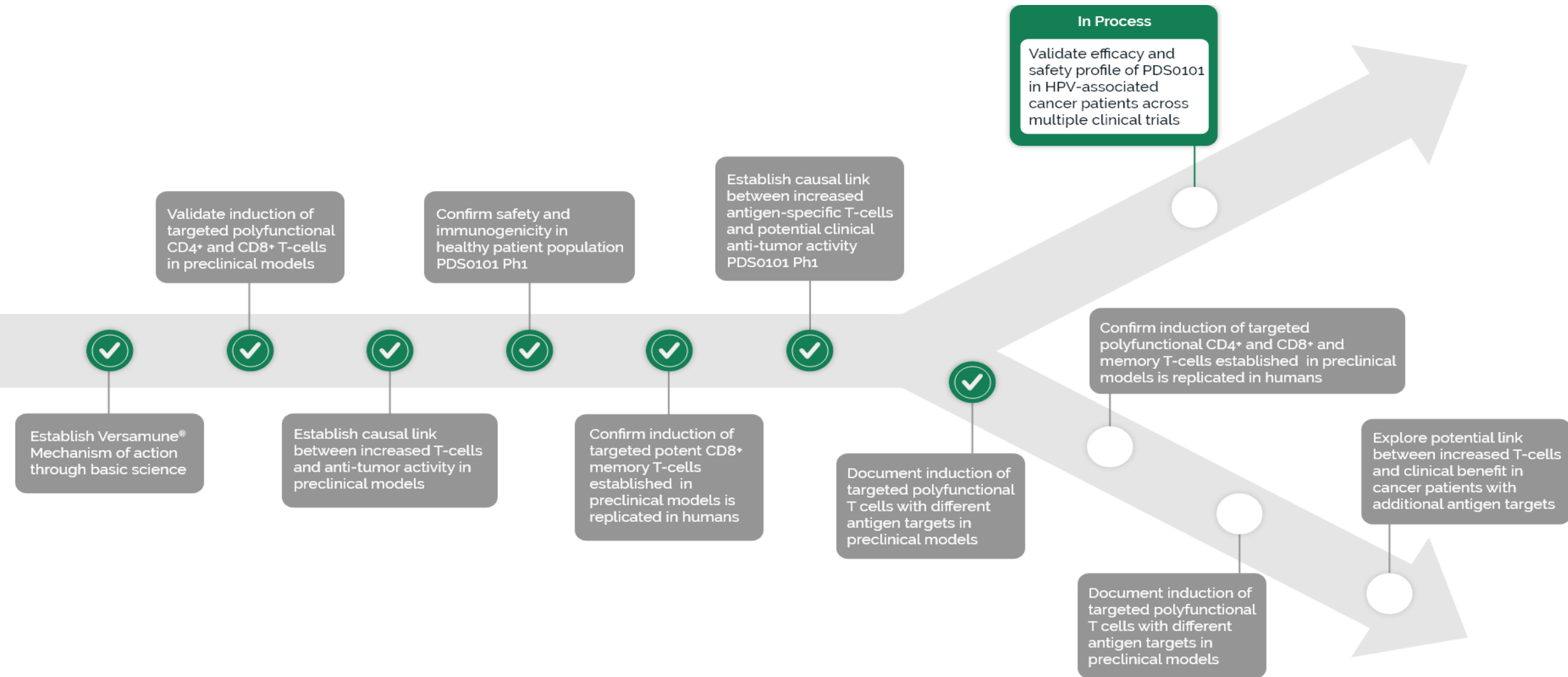


Questions?



Next Steps and Opportunities

PDS Biotech seeks to validate the efficacy and safety of the Versamune® platform across multiple tumor-targeting antigens



Versamune® has demonstrated the potential for immunological compatibility with a wide array of tumor antigens

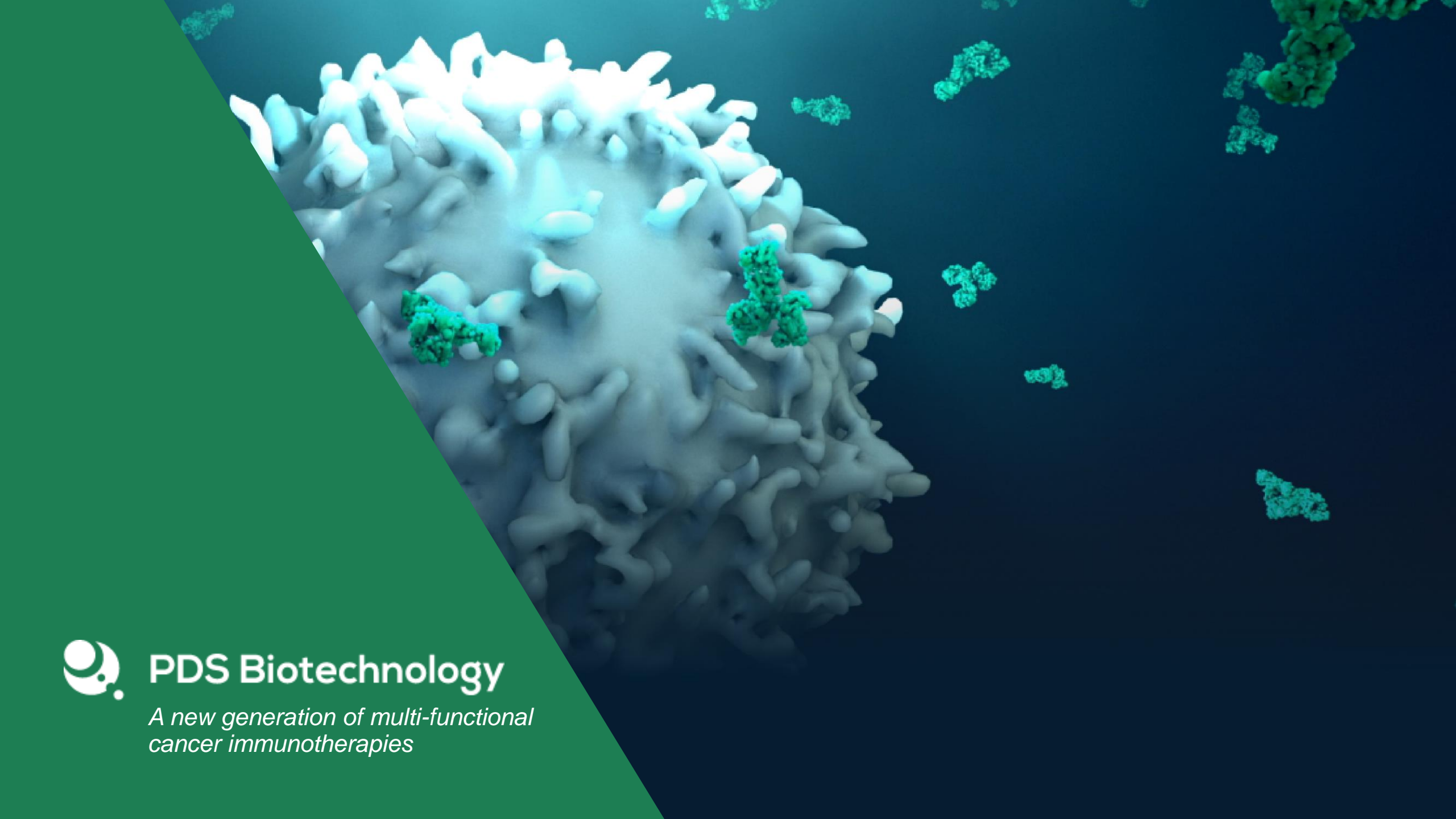
- Versamune®'s unique flexibility means it may work well with a wide range of targets
 - 4 tumor antigens** are currently being utilized with the Versamune® platform

PRODUCT	INDICATION	COMBINATION	PC	P1	P2	P3	R	PARTNER(S)
Oncology								
<u>PDS0101 (HPV16)</u>	First line treatment of recurrent / metastatic head and neck cancer	KEYTRUDA®						MERCK
<u>PDS0101 (HPV16)</u>	Advanced HPV-associated malignancies	Bintrafusp alfa M9241						NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
<u>PDS0101 (HPV16)</u>	Stage IIb-IVa cervical cancer	Chemo-radiation						THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MDAnderson Cancer Center
<u>PDS0102 (TARP)</u>	Acute myeloid leukemia (AML), prostate and breast cancer	TBD						NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
<u>PDS0103 (MUC1)</u>	Non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), breast, colorectal and ovarian cancer	TBD						NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
<u>PDS0104 (TRP2)</u>	Melanoma	TBD						

- The company is seeking commercial partnerships and research collaborations to explore Versamune®'s utility with other tumor antigens that have been identified as promising therapeutic targets

Over the next 18 months PDS Biotech will be exploring research collaborations and partnerships to progress the pipeline

PDS Biotech Asset	Research Objectives
PDS0101	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Document tumor infiltration of PDS0101-induced HPV16-targeted T-cells
PDS0102	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish safety, immunogenicity and pathologic response in prostate cancer• Establish safety, immunogenicity and pathologic response in breast cancer• Establish safety and immunogenicity in acute myeloid leukemia (AML)
PDS0103	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish safety, immunogenicity and preliminary efficacy in advanced MUC1-associated cancers (basket trial)
Pipeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explore combination of Versamune® with other tumor antigens in validated animal models



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