



INITIATIVES IN IMMUNO-ONCOLOGY

TURNING INNOVATIVE SCIENCE
INTO VALUE FOR PATIENTS

R&D Meeting - December 10, 2019



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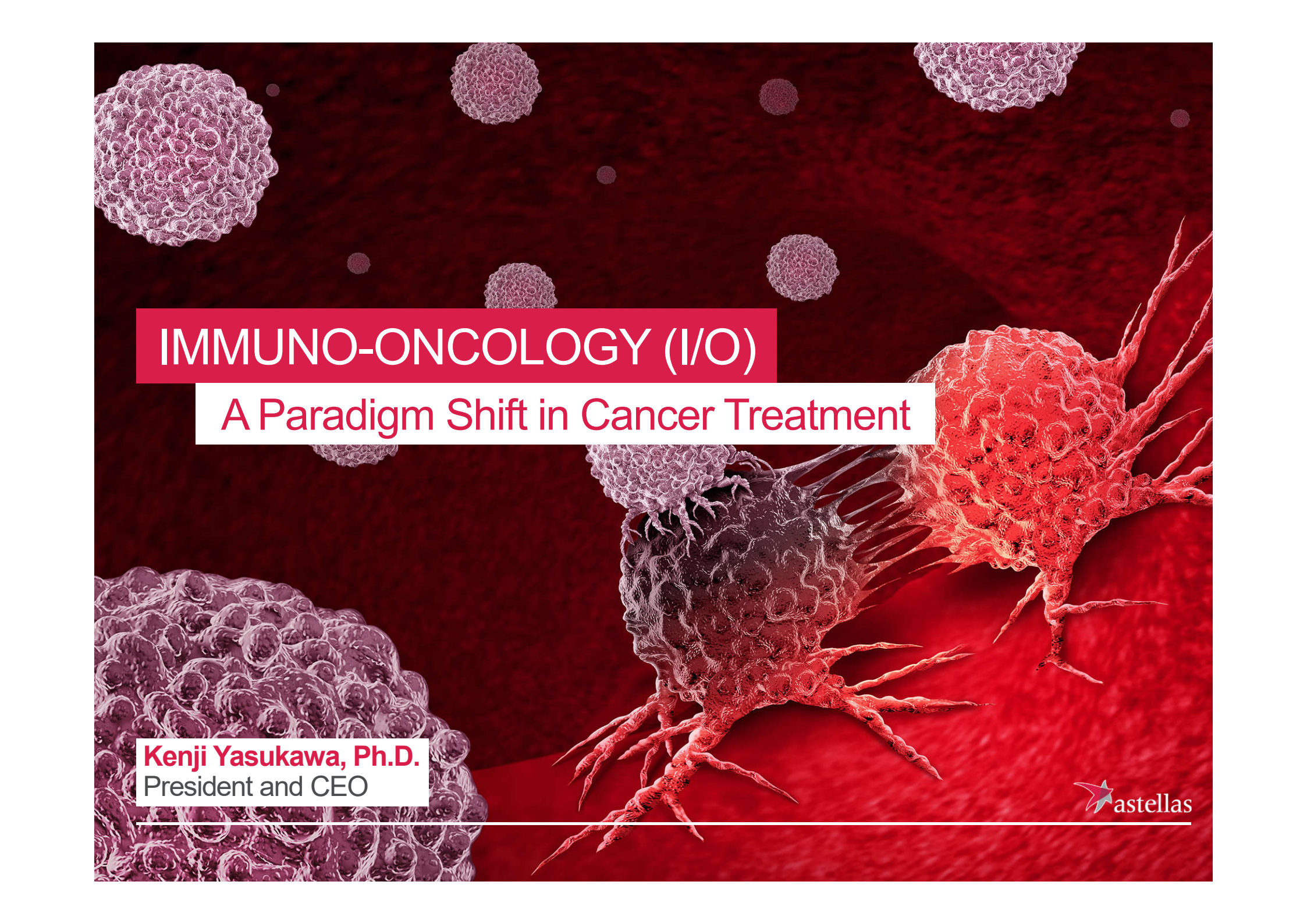
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A microscopic view of cancer cells and immune cells. The background is a deep red, textured surface. Several spherical, purple, bumpy structures representing cancer cells are scattered across the upper half. In the lower right, a large, red, irregularly shaped mass with many thin, branching, root-like structures extending downwards represents a tumor. A white rectangular box with a red border is positioned in the lower left, containing the name and title of the speaker.

IMMUNO-ONCOLOGY (I/O)

A Paradigm Shift in Cancer Treatment

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President and CEO



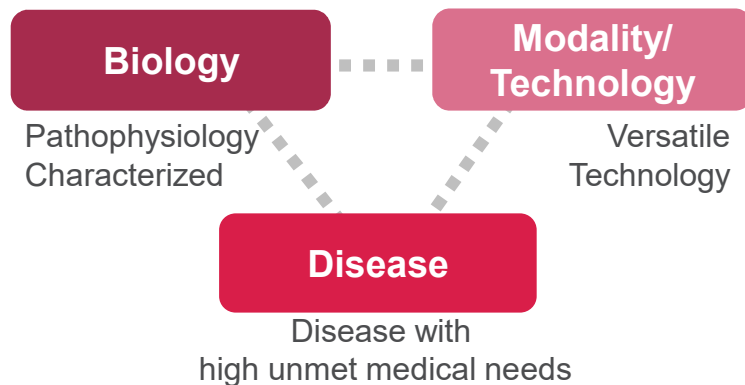
FOCUS AREA APPROACH

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Focusing on the areas to turn innovative science to VALUE for patients

Focus Area approach

- Exploring multiple sets of combinations of Biology, Modality/Technology and Disease



Primary Focus

- Primary Focus is selected from Focus Areas based on;
 - Scientific evidence
 - Identified lead program
 - Potential follow-on programs
- Prioritize investment in 4 Primary Focus for now

Regeneration & blindness

Immuno-oncology

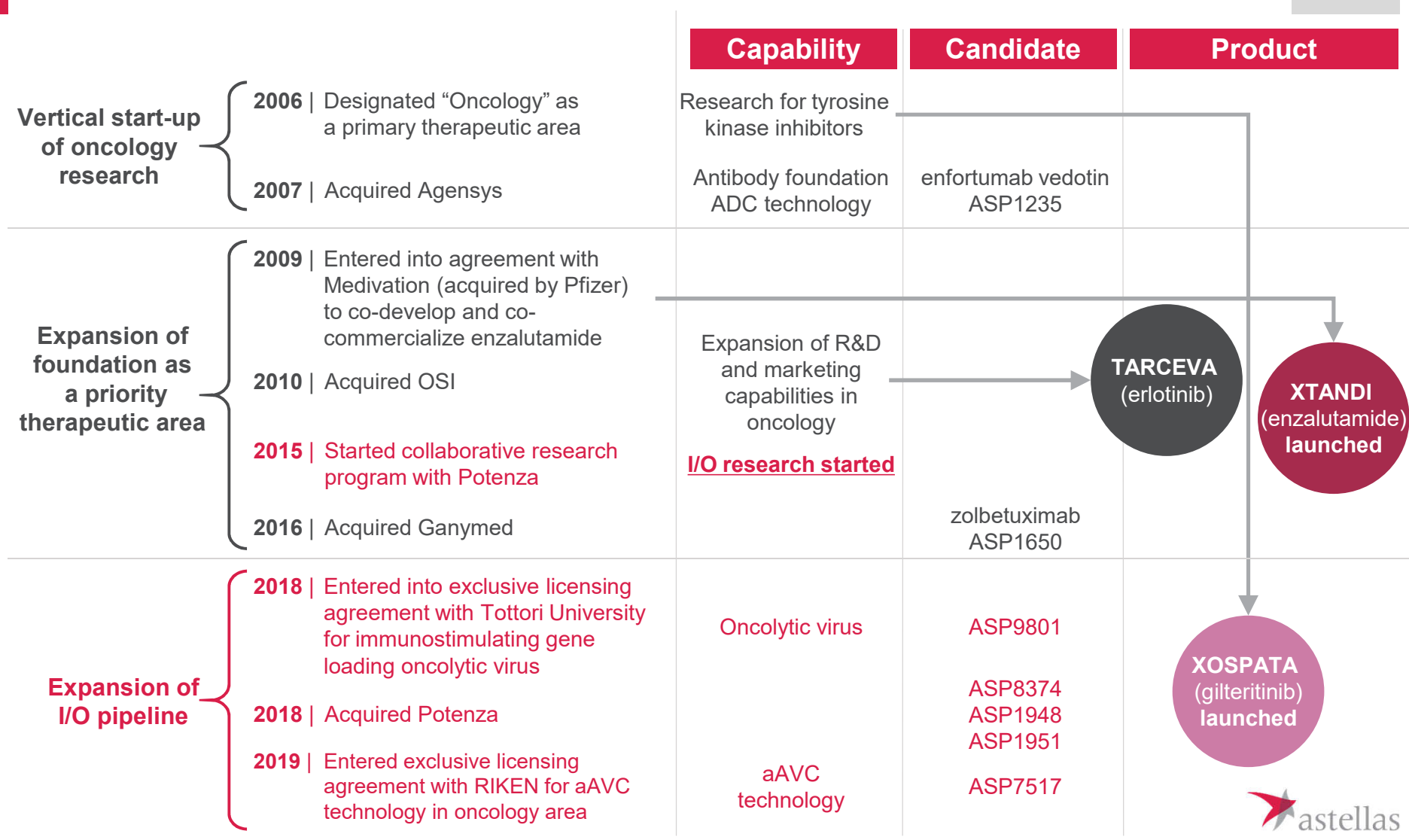
ASIM biology

Mitochondria biology



OUR ACHIEVEMENTS IN ONCOLOGY TO DATE GIVE US CONFIDENCE IN PURSUING I/O

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Red: Related to immuno-oncology

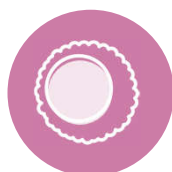
ADC: Antibody-drug conjugate, aAVC: Artificial adjuvant vector cell, I/O: Immuno-oncology

OUR STRONG COMMITMENT TO, AND LEADERSHIP IN, ONCOLOGY SERVES AS THE FOUNDATION FOR OUR INITIATIVES IN I/O

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Prostate cancer



Acute myeloid leukemia



Urothelial cancer



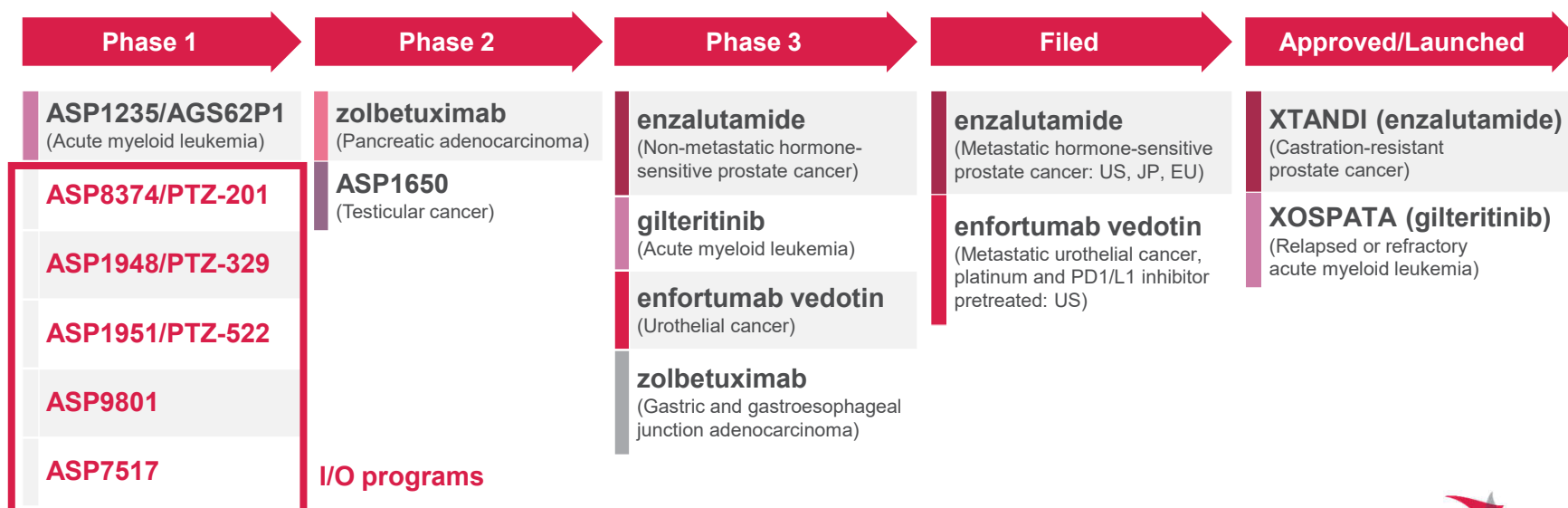
Gastric and gastroesophageal junction adenocarcinoma



Pancreatic adenocarcinoma

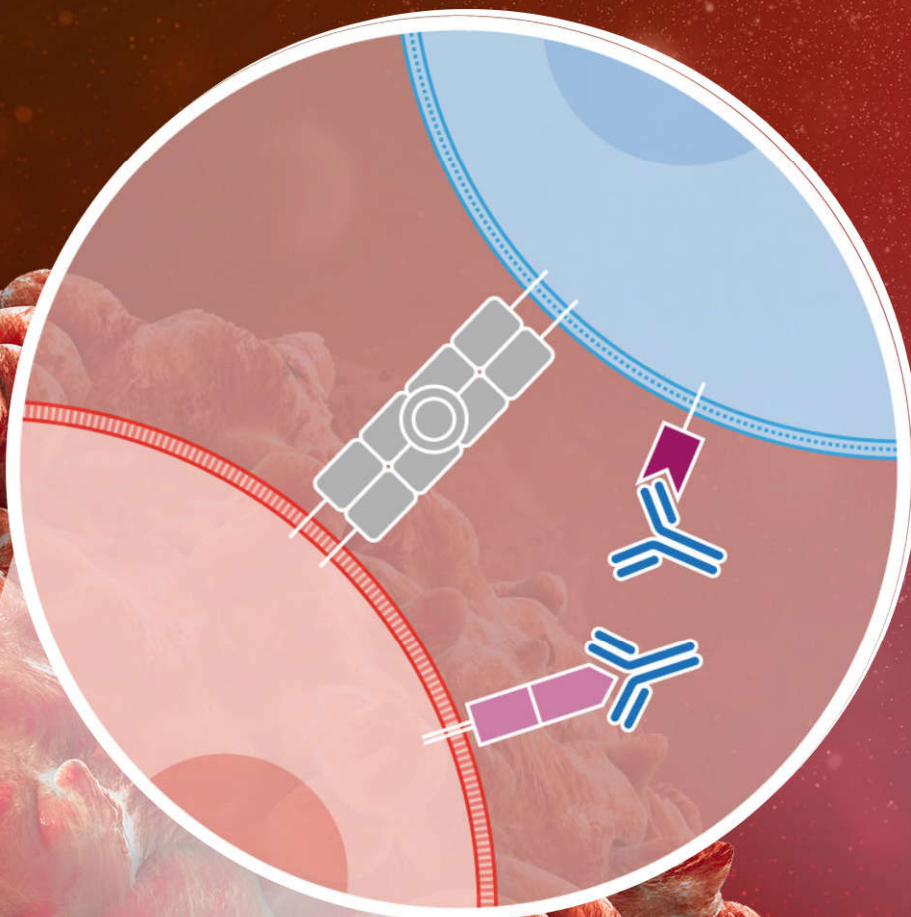


Testicular cancer



IMMUNO-ONCOLOGY – IN PARTICULAR, CHECKPOINT INHIBITORS – REPRESENTS A PARADIGM SHIFT IN CANCER TREATMENT

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Unique features of checkpoint inhibitors (CPIs)

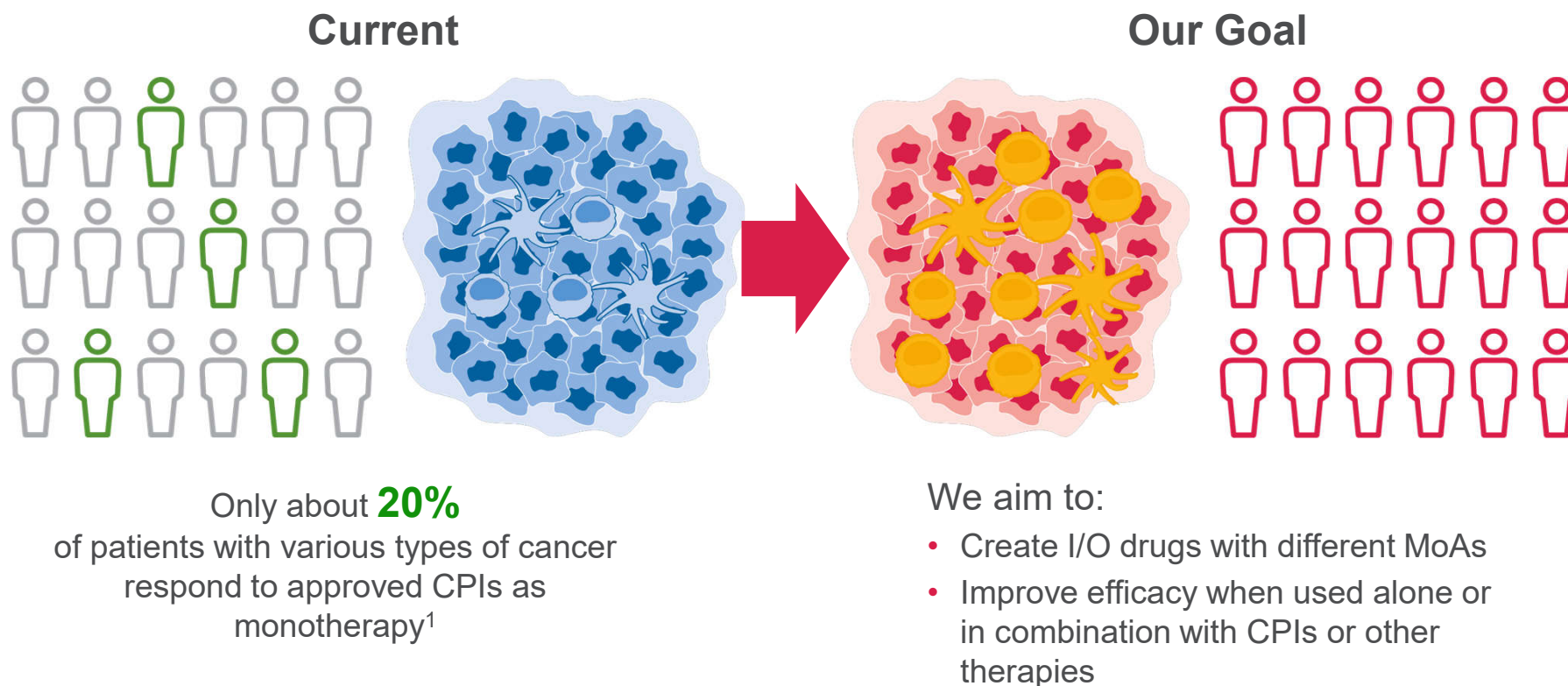
- Durable responses
- Efficacy demonstrated across multiple tumor types
- Good safety profiles in general
- Efficacy correlates with presence of tumor infiltrating lymphocytes



GOAL OF OUR I/O INITIATIVES

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Developing therapies for the majority of patients who do not respond to current CPIs

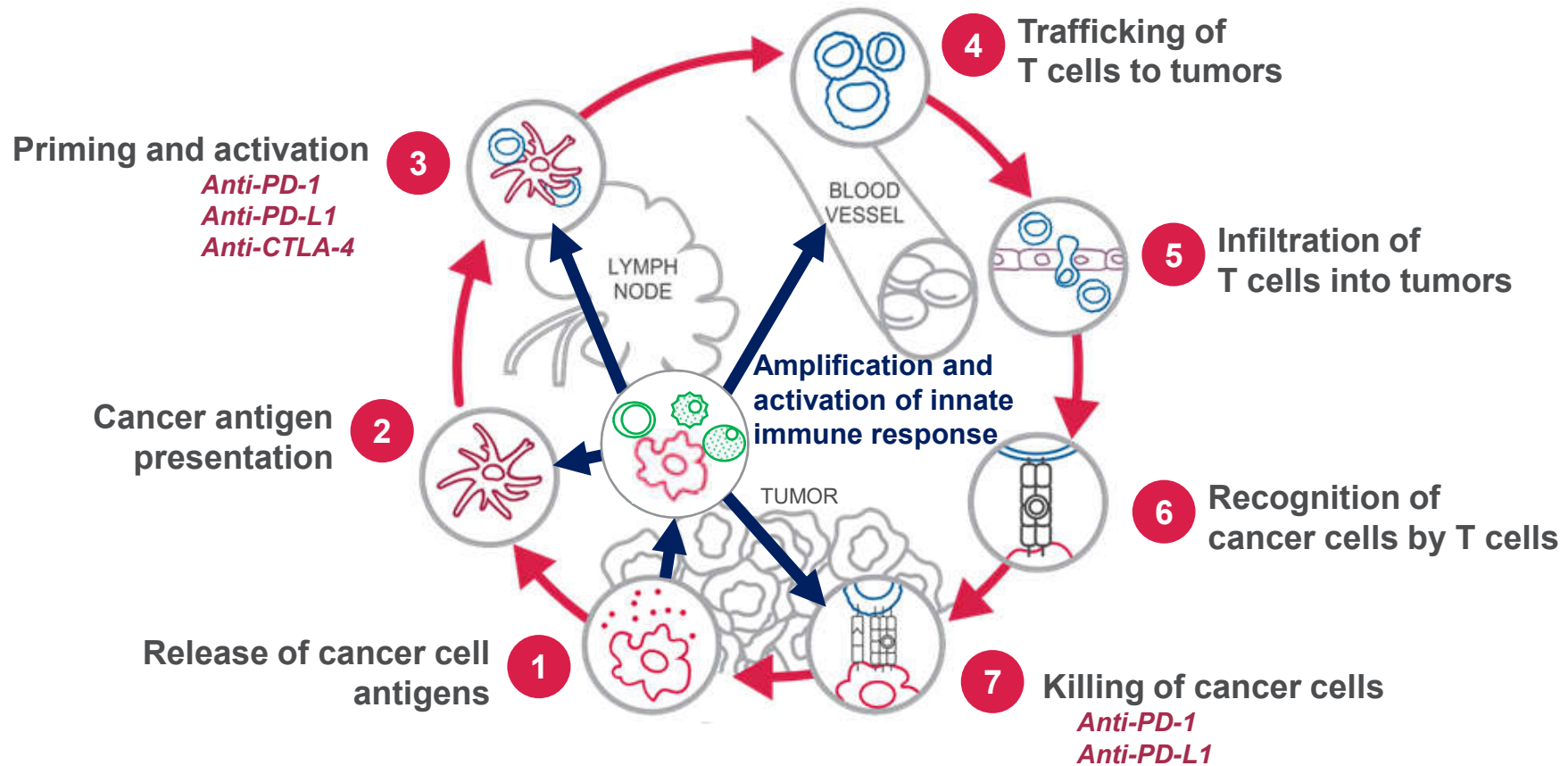


I/O: immuno-oncology, CPI: Checkpoint inhibitor, MoA: Mechanism of action

1: Kourie HR and Klastersky JA. Curr Opin Oncol. 2016. 28 (4): 306-13.

UNLOCKING THE POWER OF THE CANCER IMMUNITY CYCLE

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➡ Innate immune system

➡ Acquired immune system



Source: Chen DS & Mellman I. Immunity. 2013. 39(1);1-10. and Demalia O. et al Nature 2019. 574(7776), 45-56; "Innate immunity" concept added



OUR I/O STRATEGY

Unlocking the Full Potential of the Immunity Cycle

Peter Sandor, M.D.
Primary Focus Area Lead, Immuno-oncology



OUR VISION IS TO DELIVER CURATIVE TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR PATIENTS WITH CANCER

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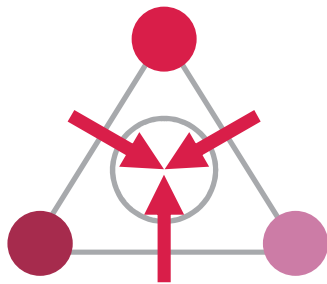
- Cancer is a complex disease. **Cancer cells have many ways to hide from the immune system** and drive their extensive growth
- To find and kill cancer, we **need to unlock multiple steps of the immune cycle**
- Our goal is to **establish a pipeline of multi-functional drugs which can re-program the immunity cycle** and enable the immune system to eliminate the cancer
- We are focusing our efforts on **multi-functional approaches either as monotherapy, or combinations with other I/O and non-I/O therapies**, including our pipeline programs



HOW DO WE BUILD A DIFFERENTIATED I/O PIPELINE?

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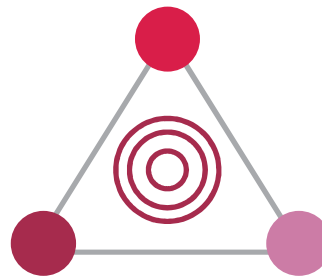
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Establish core capabilities



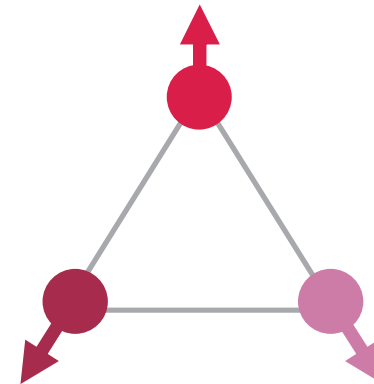
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Build sustainable pipeline flow



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Add synergistic, novel areas

WE HAVE BUILT IN-HOUSE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CAPABILITIES

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Tsukuba Research Center and Boston Innovation Hub

- Innovation acquisition (network in the US and Japan)
- Strong pharma capability with experienced experts in drug discovery

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Translational Science Hub in Cambridge, Massachusetts

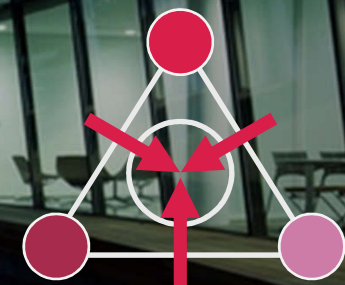
- Bridges discovery and clinical development
- Designs combinations and patient selection

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Dedicated team to design and run first-in-human (FIH) studies and rational combination programs

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Strong collaboration between the Therapeutic Area development teams and Primary Focus Lead to create an integrated and long-term strategy



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Background photo: Tsukuba Research Center

WE ARE BUILDING **STRONG MULTI-FUNCTIONAL PLATFORMS** TO LEVERAGE

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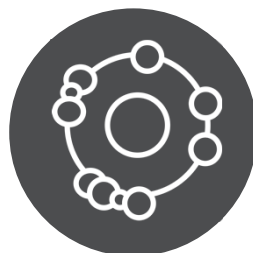
**Novel immune
checkpoint**



Oncolytic virus



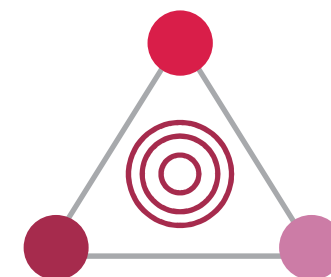
Vaccination



Cell therapy



**Combinations across
our pipeline**



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WE HAVE BUILT PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE BEST EXTERNAL INNOVATORS

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Collaborations and partnerships with a broad range of academia and biotech since 2015 – *for example:*

- Tottori University
- MD Anderson Cancer Center
- Riken
- Anaeropharma
- Xencor



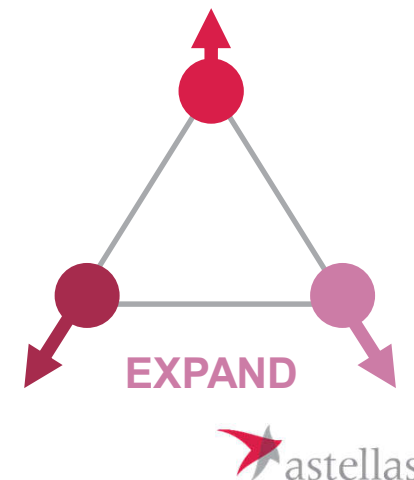
Acquisitions – *for example:*

- Potenza Therapeutics (Dec 2018) further to exclusive R&D collaboration in 2015: three INDs (ASP8374, ASP1951 and ASP1948) now in Phase 1 development
- Universal Cells (Feb 2018): acquired world-leading capabilities in cell therapies



Driven by external innovation, venture and business development teams in Boston and Bay Area

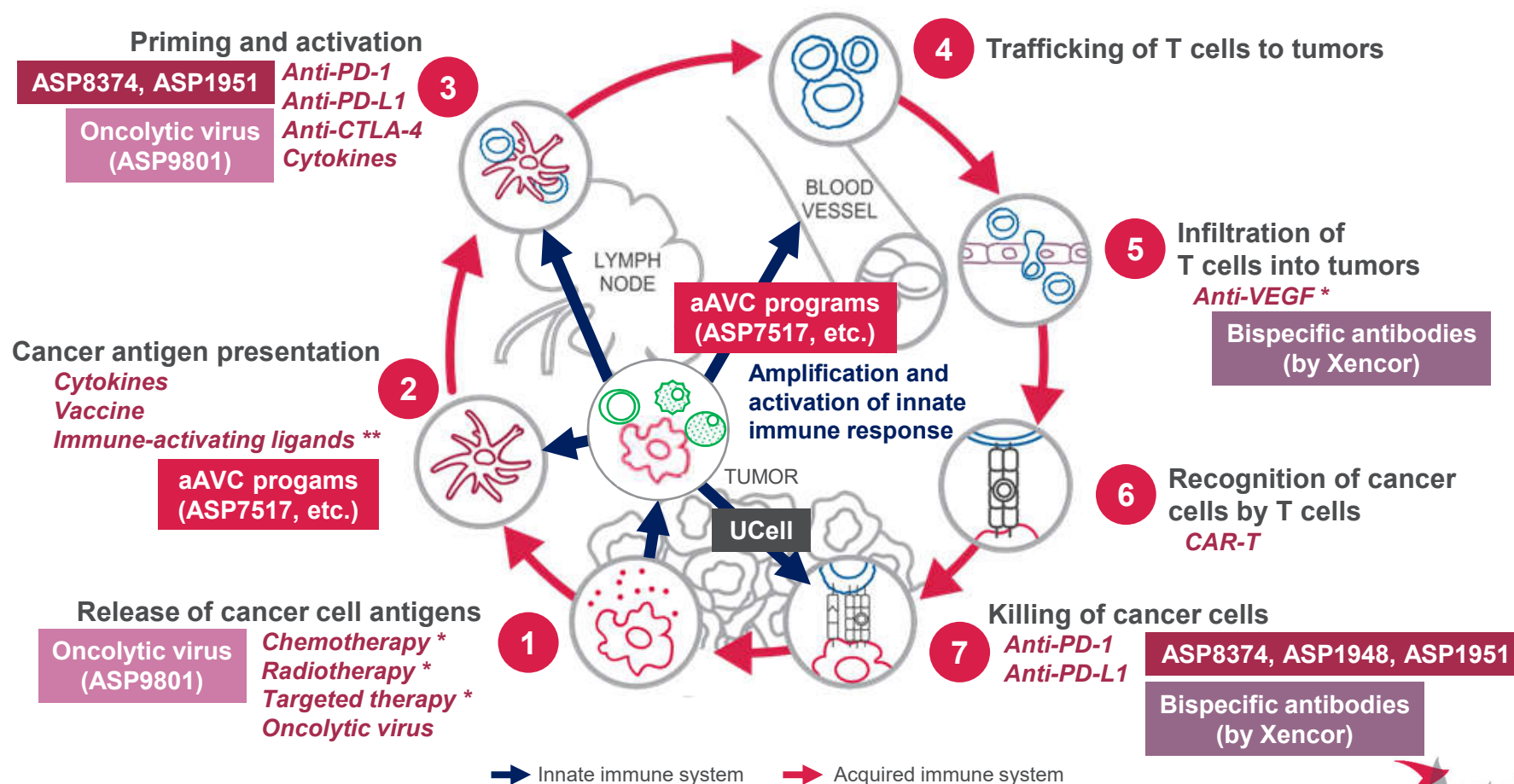
- Established AIM Innovation Hub in Cambridge, Mass. (US)
- Sponsoring LabCentral's incubator in Cambridge, Mass. (US)
- Funding early innovation through AVM in Bay Area, Calif. (US)



UNLOCKING THE POWER OF THE CANCER IMMUNITY CYCLE WITH MULTI-FUNCTIONAL MODALITIES

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Astellas' pre-clinical and clinical research spans the **full cancer immunity cycle**



Source: Chen DS & Mellman I. Immunity. 2013. 39(1);1-10. and Demalia O. et al Nature 2019. 574(7776), 45-56. "Innate immunity" concept and Astellas immuno-oncology assets acting on each step added, **Italic: Existing agent/therapy acting each step (revised from the source reflecting the latest situations)**, * Not immuno-oncology agent/therapy, ** Not marketed yet Experimental assets. No claims regarding proof of concept or clinical efficacy are asserted or implied. aAVC: Artificial adjuvant vector cell, UCell: Universal Cell



BUILDING THE CLINICAL EVIDENCE

To Support Our I/O Portfolio

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President of Development



THROUGH STRATEGIC EXTERNAL COLLABORATIONS, WE HAVE ESTABLISHED **A ROBUST AND COMPETITIVE DEVELOPMENT-STAGE I/O PORTFOLIO**

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Multiple assets in clinical stage including novel I/O programs

Compound	Modality/Mechanism	Origin/Partner	Target tumor	Current stage	
				Preclinical /Research	Clinical Phase 1
ASP8374	Anti-TIGIT antibody	 POTENZA [*] therapeutics	(To be determined)		
ASP1948	Anti-NRP1 antibody	 POTENZA [*] therapeutics	(To be determined)		
ASP1951	GITR agonistic antibody	 POTENZA [*] therapeutics	(To be determined)		
ASP9801	Oncolytic virus	 Tottori University ^{**}	(To be determined)		
ASP7517	WT1 loaded artificial adjuvant vector cell (aAVC)	 RIKEN ^{**}	Acute myeloid leukemia, myelodysplastic syndrome (as the first targets)		
(Not disclosed)	Other tumor antigens loaded aAVCs	 RIKEN ^{**}	(Not disclosed yet)		
(Not disclosed)	Bispecific antibodies	 xencor ^{**}	(Not disclosed yet)		

* Acquired in 2018 (currently their programs classified into in-house ones), ** Programs developed under joint research



THREE CLINICAL PROJECTS **TARGETING PATIENTS NON-RESPONSIVE** TO EXISTING THERAPIES IN PHASE 1 DEVELOPMENT

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Advancing immunomodulating therapies with novel mechanisms of action

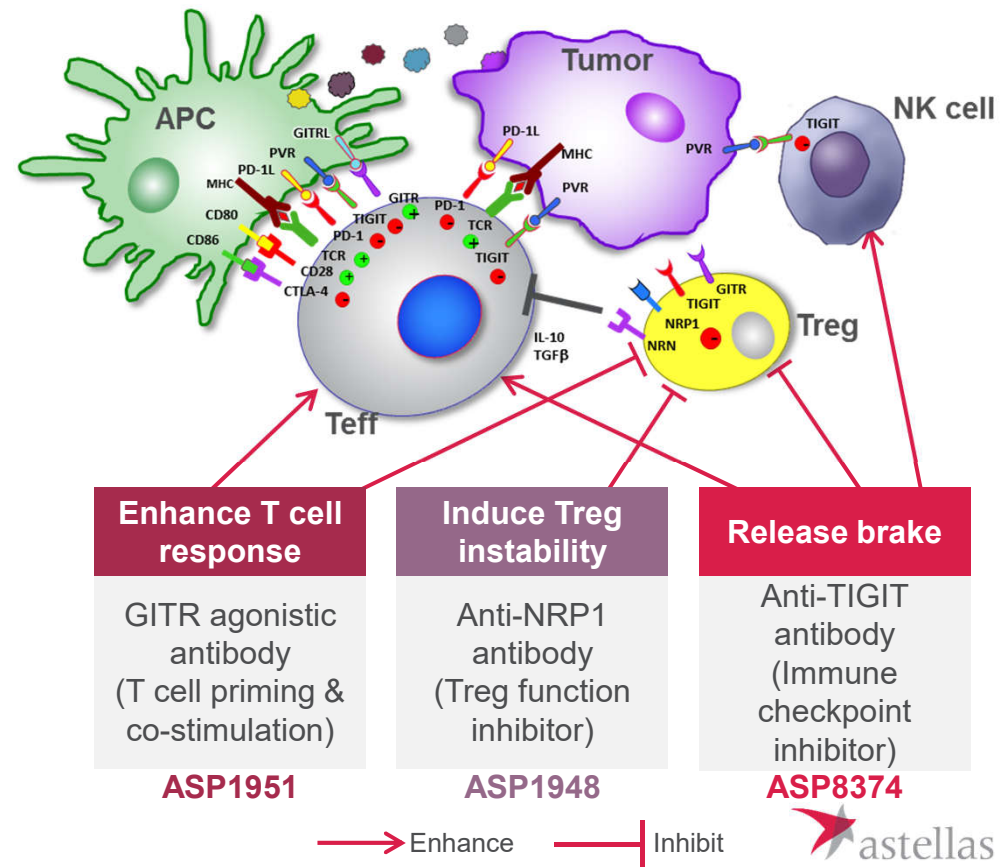
Strategy

- Harnessing the immune system to treat intractable cancers

Acquisition of Potenza Therapeutics

- In 2015, Astellas and Potenza Therapeutics entered an exclusive R&D collaboration to advance immunomodulating therapies in oncology with novel mechanisms of action, targeting immune checkpoint pathways, co-stimulatory signals and regulatory T-cells
- In Dec 2018, Astellas announced its acquisition of Potenza Therapeutics

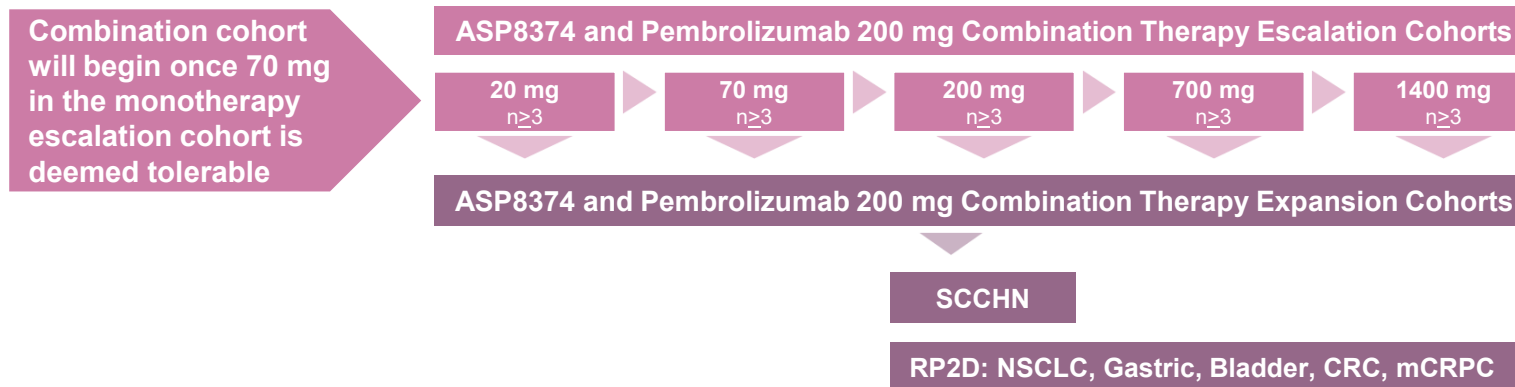
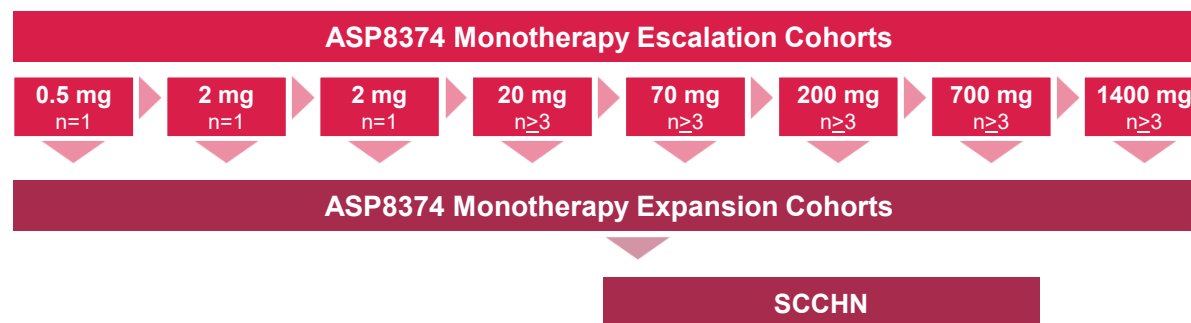
Overview of programs



APC: Antigen-presenting cell, NK: Natural killer, Teff: Effector T cell, Treg: Regulatory T cell, GITR: Glucocorticoid-induced TNFR-related protein, NRP1: Neuropilin-1, TIGIT: T-cell immunoreceptor with Ig and ITIM domains

DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: ASP8374, ASP1948 & ASP1951

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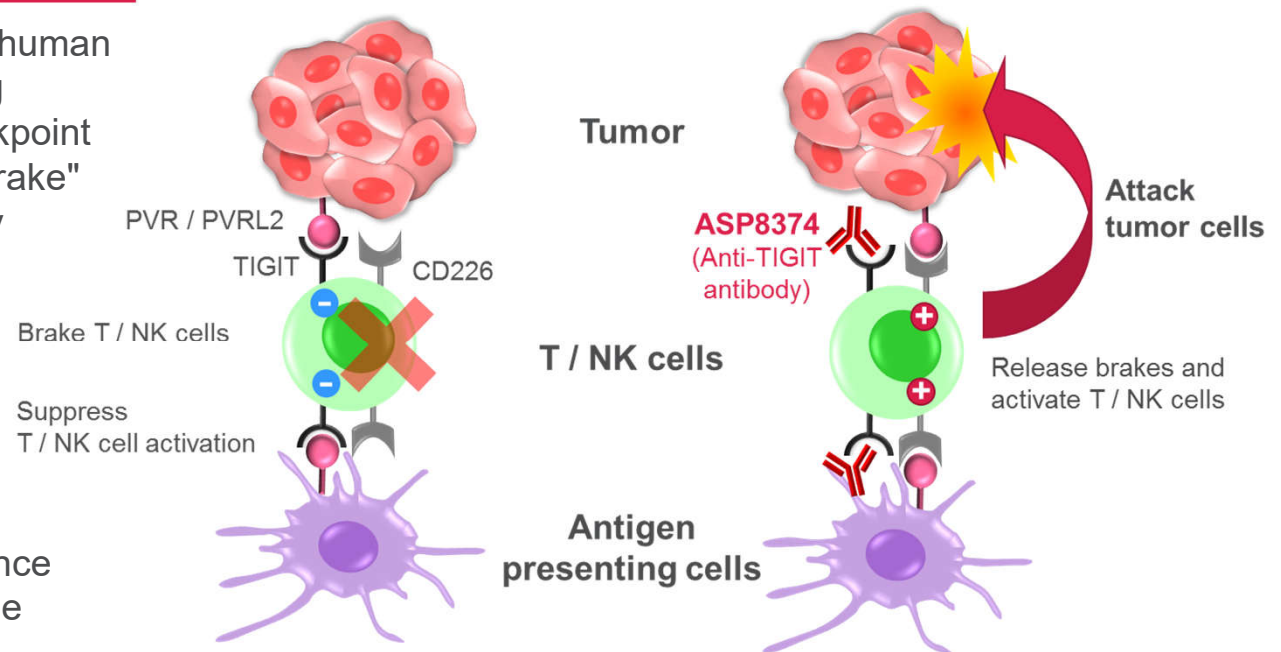
SCCHN: Head-and-neck squamous cell cancer, RP2D: Recommended Phase 2 dose, NSCLC: Non-small cell lung cancer, CRC: Colorectal cancer, mCRPC: Metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer

ANTI-TIGIT ANTIBODY: ASP8374

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Mechanism of action

- ASP8374 is a high affinity fully human anti-TIGIT IgG4 antibody, being developed as an immune checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) to release the "brake" mediated by the TIGIT pathway
- TIGIT is expressed solely on lymphocytes and limits T cell inflammation
- TIGIT represents a novel immune checkpoint target for therapeutic antagonistic monoclonal antibodies to enhance the anti-tumor immune response



Development status

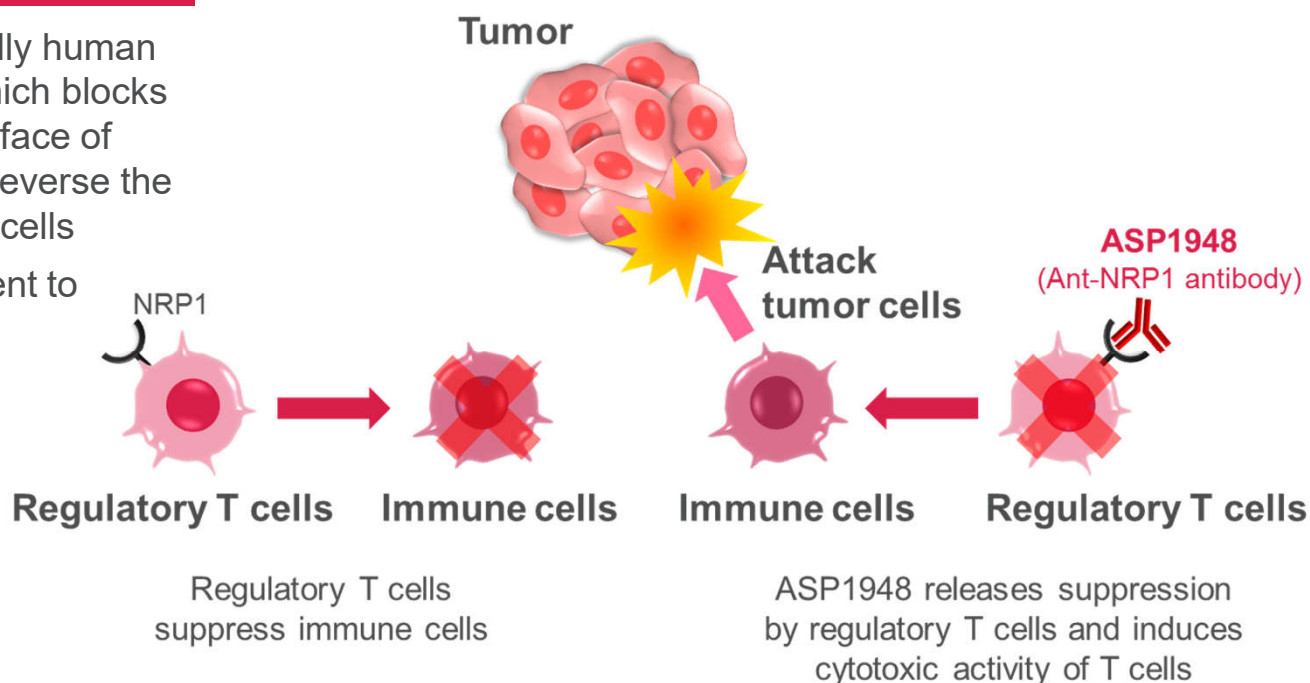
- Currently in Phase 1 clinical trials in monotherapy and combination with anti-PD-1 antibody

ANTI-NRP1 ANTIBODY: ASP1948

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Mechanism of action

- ASP1948 is a high affinity, fully human anti-NRP1 IgG4 antibody, which blocks ligand interactions on the surface of regulatory T cells (Tregs) to reverse the suppressive activity of these cells
- NRP1 is required and sufficient to promote Treg survival and function *in vitro* and *in vivo*
- Antagonists to NRP1 can suppress Treg activity and demonstrate anti-tumor activity



Development status

- Currently in Phase 1 clinical trials in monotherapy and combination with anti-PD-1 antibody
- Potential as first agent in clinic to target NRP1 as an I/O treatment



GITR AGONISTIC ANTIBODY: ASP1951

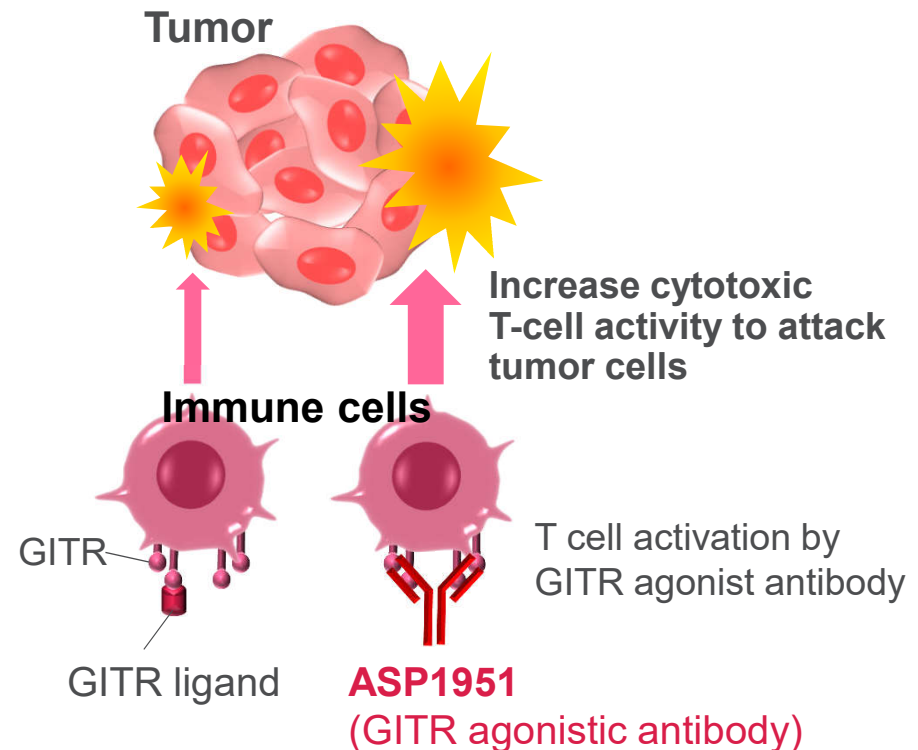
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Mechanism of action

- ASP1951 is a high affinity, fully human IgG4 GITR agonistic antibody in a tetravalent monospecific (TM) format that activates GITR signalling
- GITR is a costimulatory molecule belonging to the tumor necrosis factor receptor superfamily
- The TM antibody format has the ability to effectively engage the receptor and produce an efficacious costimulation signal better than that of a traditional bivalent antibody

Development status

- Currently in Phase 1 clinical trials in monotherapy and combination with anti-PD-1 antibody



NEXT STEPS: ASP8374, ASP1948, ASP1951

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Complete ongoing Phase 1 trials, establish RP2D as monotherapy and in combination with anti-PD-1 antibodies supporting future studies

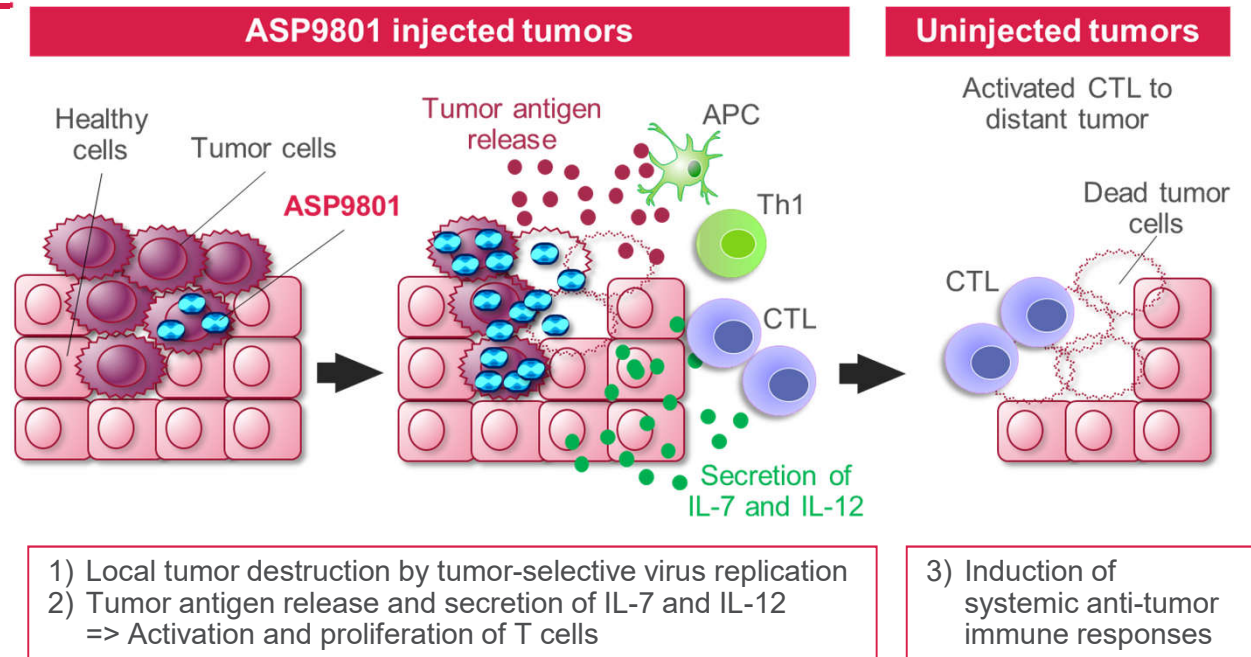
Further evaluation of best combination including internal assets is ongoing

OUR ONCOLYTIC VIRUS PROGRAM ASP9801 HAS RECENTLY ENTERED **PHASE 1 DEVELOPMENT**

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Mechanism of action

- Attenuated recombinant oncolytic vaccinia virus that expresses both IL-7 and IL-12 to induce an antitumor immune response
- Induction of systemic anti-tumor immune response through secretion of human IL-7 and human IL-12 in tumor, T-cell proliferation and CTLs activation
- Local tumor destruction through vaccinia virus resulting in enhancement of tumor antigen presentation



Target indication

- Advanced/metastatic solid tumors (cutaneous/sub-cutaneous and visceral)

ASP9801 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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Development status / Next steps

**Concurrent
development in US,
Japan and China**

**US IND Open,
enrollment
underway for
US Phase 1 study**

**Japan and China
studies planned**

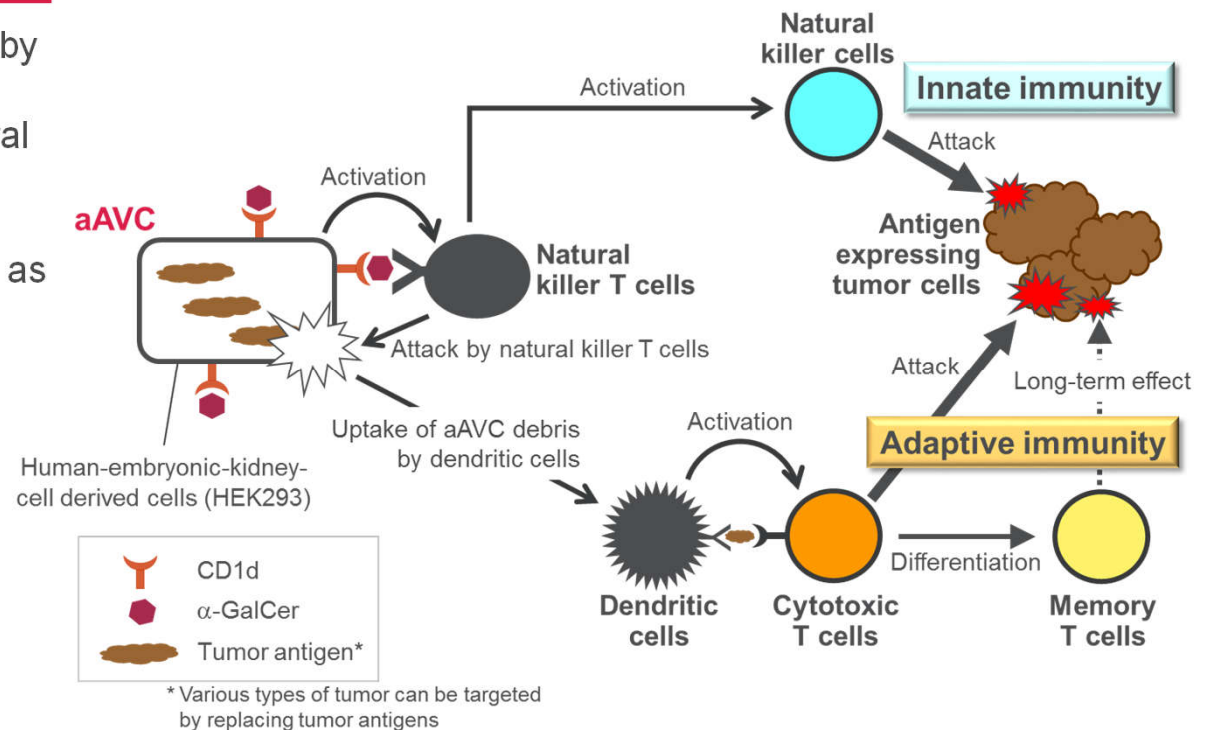
THE aAVC PLATFORM ELICITS AN INNATE AND ADAPTIVE IMMUNE RESPONSE

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Licensing agreement with RIKEN for aAVC technology as a novel and promising I/O platform

Mechanism of action

- Expects to show anti-tumor effects by activating both the:
 - ✓ “Innate immunity” - through natural killer cells
 - ✓ “Adaptive immunity” - through antigen-specific cytotoxic T Cells as well as long-term effects through long-lived memory T cells
- Unlike peptide vaccines, aAVC are loaded with full-length cancer antigens and are applicable for many patients regardless of their HLA types
- Has potential to target many tumor types by changing tumor antigen loaded into aAVC platform



LEAD aAVC PROGRAM: ASP7517

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ASP7517 profiles

- aAVC loading WT1, a tumor antigen highly expressed in acute myeloid leukemia
- FSFT in Phase 1/2 study in acute myeloid leukemia and myelodysplastic syndrome achieved in Oct 2019

Development status / Next steps

**Dose escalation
portion of Phase 1/2
study currently
underway in Japan**

**US and China
IND submissions
planned for 2020**

**Dose expansion
portion of
Phase 1/2 study
to be conducted
globally (Japan, US,
China and Canada)**

**Solid tumor studies
are being planned**

**Potential for
combination therapy
with internal and
external assets is being
explored**

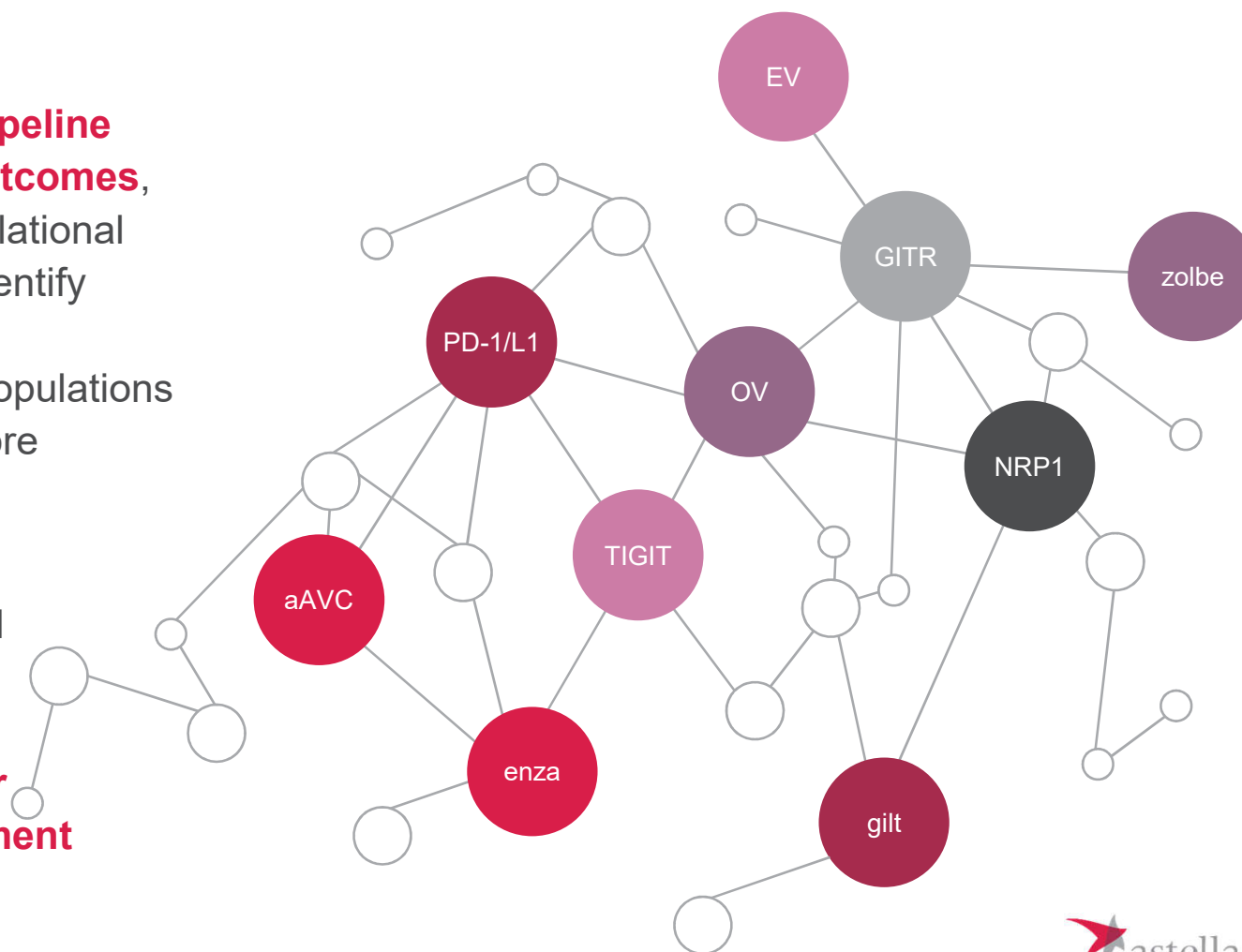


OUR DIVERSE EARLY-STAGE I/O PIPELINE IS ENABLING US TO **EXPLORE COMBINATION STRATEGIES**

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In order to **enrich our pipeline and improve patient outcomes**, we are building our translational science capabilities to identify biomarkers, select target indications and patient populations for treatments, and explore combination strategies

Our patient selection and combination strategy is based on connecting MoAs and **patient tumor immune microenvironment**

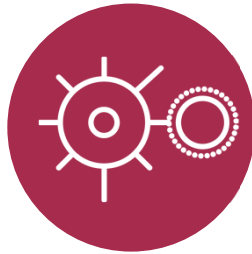


CONCLUSION

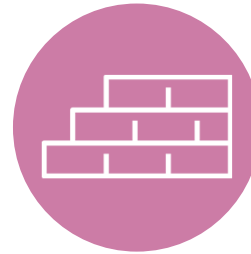
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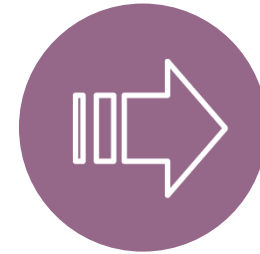
Astellas' strategy is strong in I/O,
guided by a focused dedication to help address unmet patient needs



We remain committed to taking innovative approaches;
through our in-depth understanding of cancer biology, we are building an I/O pipeline targeted to unlock multiple immune activation steps with multi-functional modalities



We have built a strong foundation
through internal and external efforts, partnering and M&A



We continue to move forward our clinical and pre-clinical pipeline
with our outstanding team members and partners to bring innovative medicines and value to patients worldwide





Turning innovative science
into value for patients,
**by maximizing
the potential of
immuno-oncology**



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