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# BrightPath Bio (Tokyo Stock Exchange Growth 4594)

- BrightPath Bio is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing immuno-oncology products
- Three focused modalities: cell therapy, immune modulatory antibody, and cancer vaccine
- BP2202 is a novel platform of allogeneic CAR-T cell therapy using iPS cell-derived NKT cell

| Developed product | Mechanism/target           | Cancer type                   | Discovery | Preclinical | PI | PII |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------|----|-----|
| Cell Therapy      |                            |                               |           |             |    |     |
| BP2201            | iPS cell-derived NKT cells | HNSCC                         |           |             |    |     |
| BP2202            | CAR-iPSNKT (Undisclosed)   | Hematologic Malignancy        |           |             |    |     |
| BP2301            | HER2 CAR-T                 | Sarcoma, Gynecological Tumors |           |             |    |     |
| Antibody          |                            |                               |           |             |    |     |
| BP1200            | CD73                       |                               |           |             |    |     |
| BP1202            | CD39                       |                               |           |             |    |     |
| BP1210            | TIM-3                      |                               |           |             |    |     |
| BP1212            | CD39 × TIM-3               |                               |           |             |    |     |
| Cancer Vaccine    |                            |                               |           |             |    |     |
| BP1209            | Personalized neoantigen    | Solid Tumor                   |           |             |    |     |

# Cell Therapy

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# BP2201 (Unmodified iPS-NKT Cell)

## FY2023 Highlights

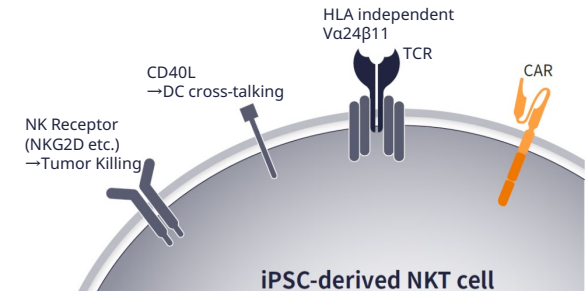
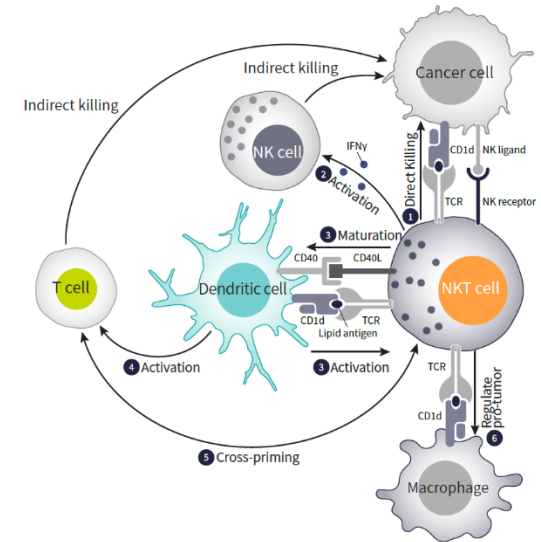
- The first-in-human Phase I study of the iPS cell-derived NKT cells was conducted in patients with r/r HNSCC under the primary endpoint of tolerability and safety
  - Some patients at high-dose experienced some level of tendency of tumor shrinkage, which has demonstrated encouraging early clinical activity of the iPS cell-derived NKT cells
  - These initial safety and efficacy results of the first-in-human study are encouraging and provide preliminary evidence that using iPS-NKT as effector cells for a novel allogeneic CAR-T platform might be an effective cancer treatment strategy
- In this study, iPS-NKT cells were administered at a low-dose ( $3 \times 10^7$  cells/m<sup>2</sup>) and high-dose ( $1 \times 10^8$  cells/m<sup>2</sup>) in multiple dosing, through the tumor artery as monotherapy without prior lymphodepletion to exert its most distinct feature of priming endogenous anti-tumor T cells.
  - Low-dose (n=3): 1 SD, 2 PD      DCR 33.3%  
High-dose (n=6): 4 SD, 1 PD, 1 NE    DCR 80% (4 of 5 evaluable patients)
  - The most frequently observed trAEs were Grade 1 or 2 fever (1 patient at low-dose, 4 patients at high-dose)

Source: Professor Shinichiro Motohashi MD, Ph.D, of Chiba University, at CD1-MR1 2024 Conference

# BP2202 (CAR-iPSNKT)

## A Novel Allogeneic CAR-T Platform

- Invariant natural killer T (iNKT) cell is a rare subset of T lymphocytes that has not only direct but indirect anti-tumor activity by priming CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells and other immune cells
- Allogeneic CAR-transduced iPSC-derived iNKT cells retain the naïve iNKT's function of inducing host CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells
  - The enhanced fitness and the spread antigens of the induced host CD8<sup>+</sup> T cell are expected to prolong the durability of clinical response
- Induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cell technology enables clinical-scale manufacturing of iNKT cells that preserve those functions
- Fully IP protected and worldwide license assigned in US/EP/JP until 2031
  - Exclusive right to use iPS-NKT / CAR iPS-NKT cells; the most desirable methodology for clinical-scale manufacturing of functional NKT cells from a rare subset of lymphocytes



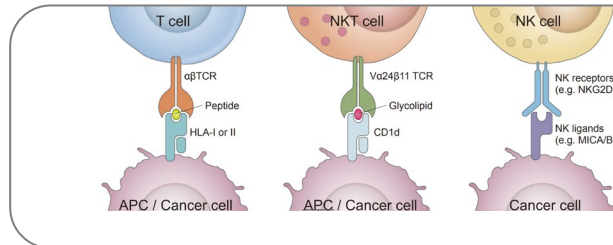
# BP2202 (CAR-iPSNKT) (cont'd)

iNKT cells induce host endogenous CD8<sup>+</sup>T with memory phenotype, which is expected to provide durability of clinical responses

|   | allo NKT | alo αβT | allo γδT | allo NK |
|---|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| Innate - adaptive immunity bridging             |          |         |          |         |
| DC cross-talking                                | ✓        |         |          |         |
| CD8 <sup>+</sup> T cross-priming                | ✓        |         |          |         |
| Myeloid cell (TAM, MDSC) reprogram <sup>1</sup> | ✓        |         |          |         |
| Innate anti-tumor response                      | ✓        |         | ✓        | ✓       |
| HLA independency                                |          |         |          |         |
| No need to TCR gene editing <sup>2</sup>        | ✓        |         | ✓        | n.a.    |
| Low GvHD risk                                   | ✓        |         | ✓        | ✓       |
| Proliferating capacity                          | ✓        | ✓       | ✓        |         |

Possible source of durability

- 1 iNKT cells kill tumor-associated macrophage / myeloid-derived suppressive cell thorough TCR/CD1d.
- 2 TCR gene editing is not necessary to avoid the risk of GvHD. Thus, proliferative capacity is not dampened

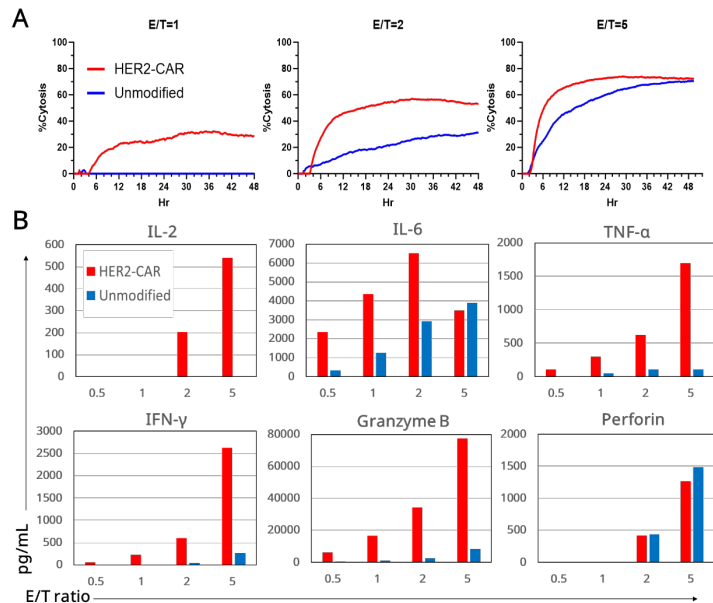


- NKT cell is a rare subset of innate lymphocytes representing less than 1% of the total lymphocyte
  - Rationale to use iPSC as cell source for clinical scale manufacturing of functional iNKT cells
- Express a semi-invariant TCR recognizing glycolipids presented by the monomorphic MHC like molecule CD1d
  - HLA independency provides low GvHD risk

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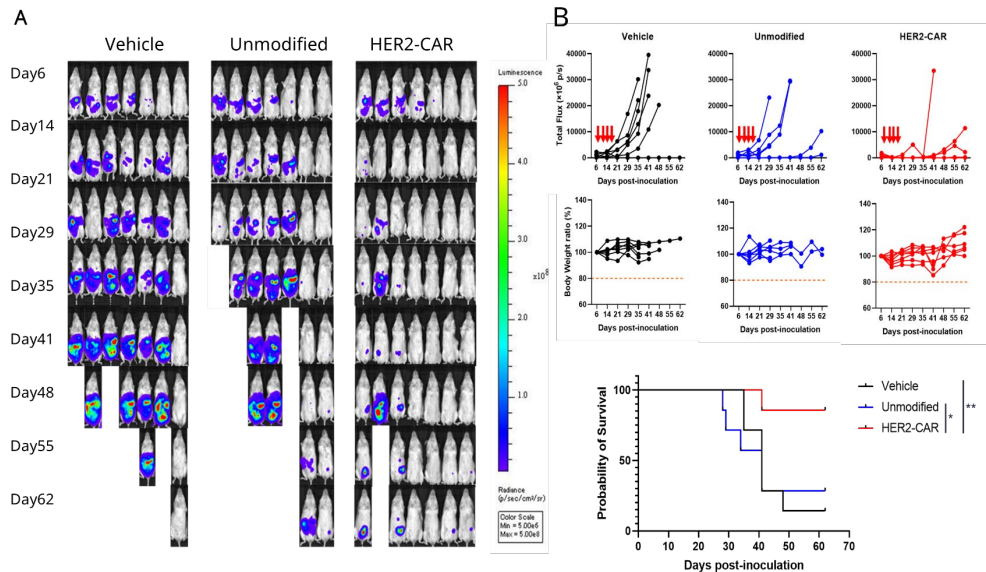
## Prototype HER2-CAR iNKT cells showed target-specific anti tumor effects

- Cytotoxic activity (A) and Cytokine secretion (B) (HER-2 expressing tumor cell line SK-OV-3)



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- Tumor burden of SK-OV-3-luc bearing mice (A), Spider plot of total flux and body weight ratio (B) and Survival rate (C)





















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# BP2202 (CAR-iPSNKT) (cont'd)

## Landscape of iPS-NK/NKT platform company

| Target (IND filing year) |   | unmodified   | Blood Cancer CAR   |   |  | Solid Tumor CAR   | Collaborations<br>(Platform type licensee)  |
|--------------------------|---|--------------|--|---|--|---|---|
|                          | Company   |              | Lymphoma   | Leukemia  | Multiple Myeloma   |   |   |
| iPS-T                    |  | 2018         |  |   |  |  HER2 (2023) |  2018 (2 Targets)  |
| iPS-NK                   |   |              | CD19 (2023)  |   |  |   |   |
|                          |  |              |  GILEAD<br>Creating Possible<br>CD19/CD20(–)<br>CD5 (–) |  GILEAD<br>Creating Possible<br>Not disclosed (–) |  GILEAD<br>Creating Possible<br>TACI/BCMA(–)  |   |  GILEAD 2021(Multiple Target)<br> BeiGene 2021                  |
|                          |  |              |  BAYER<br>CD19 (2022)                                   |  Bristol Myers Squibb<br>Not disclosed (2024)      |  Bristol Myers Squibb<br>Not disclosed (2024) |   |  BAYER 2019 (3 Target)<br> Bristol Myers Squibb 2021 (4 Target) |
|                          |  |              |  |   | CD38 (2025)  | EGFR (2025)<br>GPC3 (2024)  |   |
| iPS-NKT                  |  | 2020 (RIKEN) |   |   |  |   |   |

-: IND schedule undisclosed at the research stage

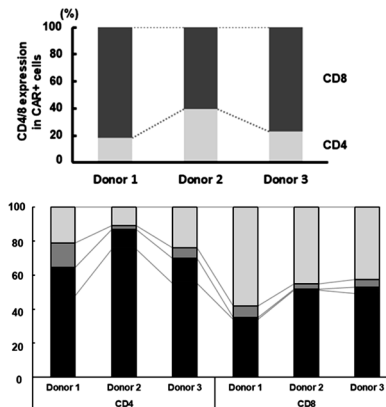
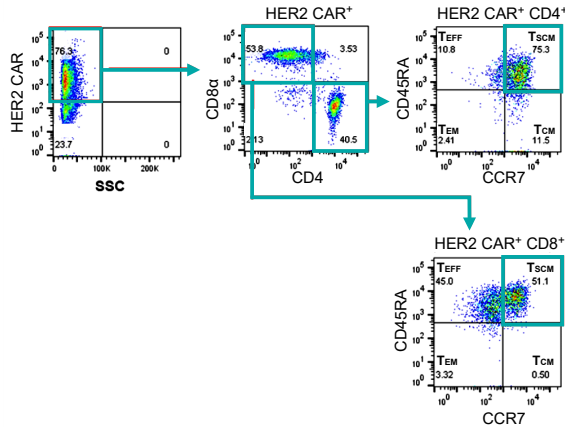
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# BP2301 (HER2 CAR-T)

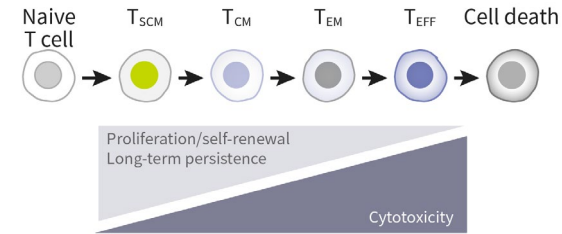
## Autologous, non-virally CAR transduced, HER2-targeting CAR-T cells

- Stem cell memory-like T (T<sub>SCM</sub>) phenotype-rich CAR-T cells, mediated by the non-viral piggyBac transposon system for CAR transduction
- T<sub>SCM</sub> effector exhibiting continuous proliferation capacity and self-renewal ability, and long-lived in vivo
- Able to overcome T cell exhaustion in an immunosuppressive solid tumor microenvironment, leading to durable clinical responses

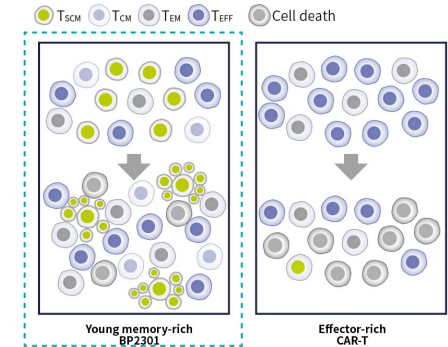
- BP2301 exhibited memory-like phenotype



- T cell differentiation and phenotypes



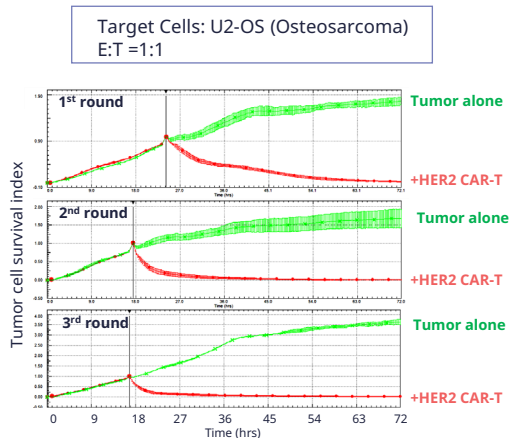
- Persistence of memory-rich CAR-T cells



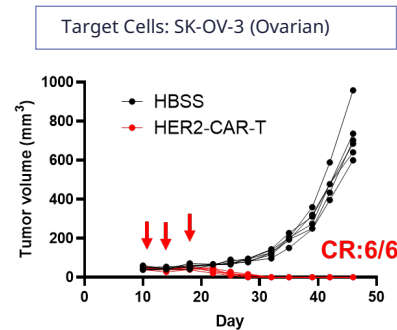
# BP2301 (HER2 CAR-T) (cont'd)

## ■ PiggyBac-mediated, T<sub>SCM</sub>-rich BP2301 demonstrated potent and sustained killing activity

- BP2301 showed persistent cytotoxicity against HER2+ sarcoma in a serial killing assay Data

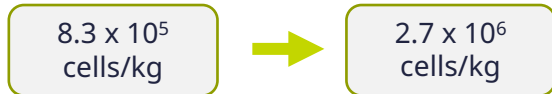


- BP2301 eradicated inoculated tumor in an ovarian cancer xenograft model



## ■ Phase 1 clinical trial ongoing

- 3 + 3 Dose-escalation Design (n=12)



- Primary objective: Safety and tolerability
- Secondary objective: Expansion and persistence of BP2301, efficacy
- Lymphodepletion: 3-day regimen  
FLU 25 mg/m<sup>2</sup> + Cy 250 mg/m<sup>2</sup>

# Antibody Pipelines

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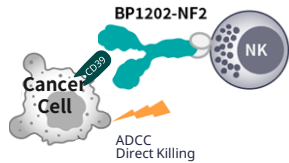
# BP1202 (anti-CD39 Antibody)

## ■ A Novel Strategy on Targeting CD39

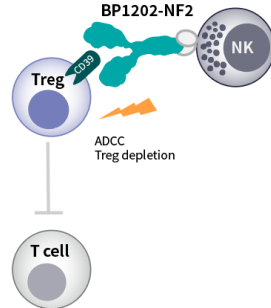
Rediscovery of CD39 as a target for depleting cancer cells and Tregs, while avoiding adenosine generation in the tumor microenvironment

- The conventional strategy to inhibit adenosine generation hasn't yielded promising results thus far
- We revisited CD39 expression by cancer cells themselves and Tregs within TME and proposed the CD39 targeting strategy that emphasizes the depletion of these cells rather than the inhibition of its enzyme activities

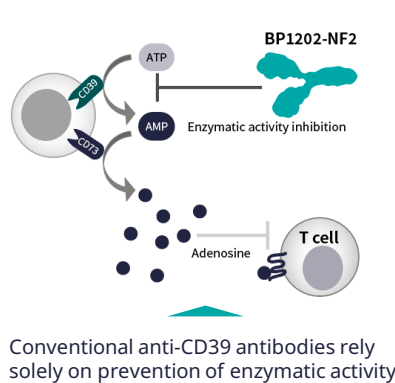
MOA (1)  
Direct killing



MOA (2)  
Treg depletion



MOA (3)  
Enzyme Inhibition

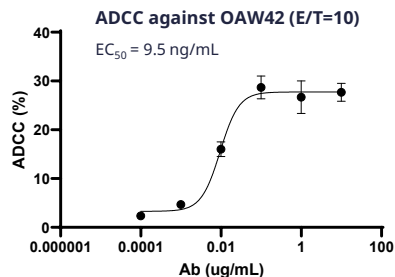


- BP1202-NF2, a glycoengineered anti-CD39 antibody, depletes CD39 expressing cancer cells and promotes immune response by CD39<sup>high</sup> Treg depletion and CD39 enzymatic activity blockade
- CD39 catalyzes the production of immunosuppressive and CD39 expression is elevated on tumor-infiltrating Tregs, whereas it is expressed broadly but moderately or slightly expressed by other tumor-associated immune cells
- BP1202-NF2 selectively depletes CD39<sup>high</sup> T cells and blockades CD39 enzymatic activity of CD39<sup>int/low</sup> immune cells in tumor

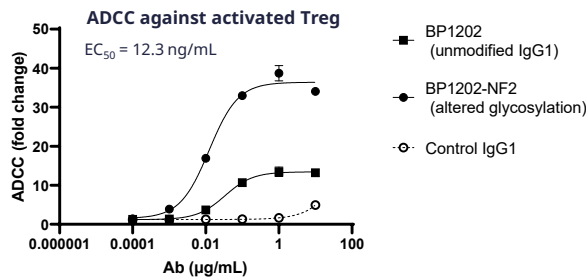
# BP1202 (anti-CD39 Antibody)(cont'd)

## Direct Killing

- BP1202-NF2, of which glycosylation is optimized by CD39 density, affinity to CD39, and affinity against FcγRIIIa, showed potent killing of CD39<sup>+</sup> cancer cell line in ADCC assay

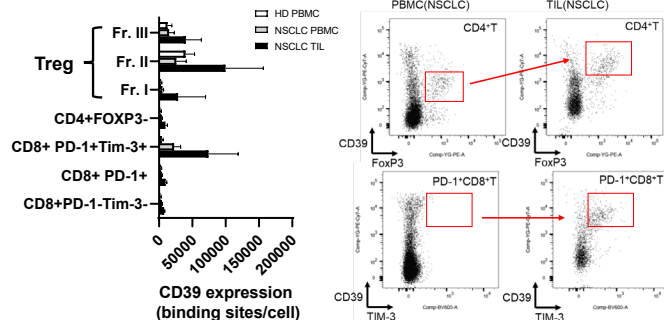


- BP1202-NF2 demonstrated high ADCC activity against Treg



## Treg depletion

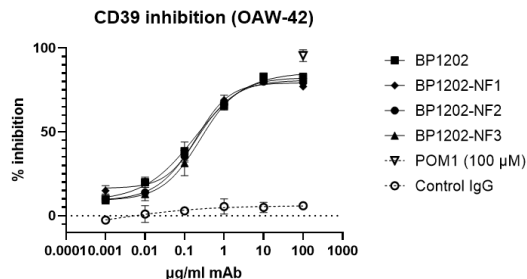
- CD39 expression was elevated on tumor-infiltrating Tregs and exhausted CD8<sup>+</sup>T cells in NSCLC patients



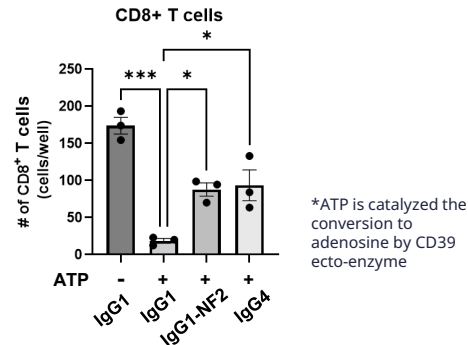
## Ecto-enzyme inhibition

- BP1202 (unmodified IgG1) and BP1202-NF2 (altered glycosylation) show high affinity for recombinant human CD39 (KD(M) x10<sup>-10</sup>) and Tregs (x10<sup>-9</sup>)
- BP1202-NF2 selectively depleted CD39hi population of CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells in ex vivo cultured human PBMCs

- Maximum blockade of membrane-associated CD39 is 80% at 10μg/mL, which is comparable to IPH5201's 70% (industry high)



- BP1202-NF2 released the adenosine-inducing immunosuppression of CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells

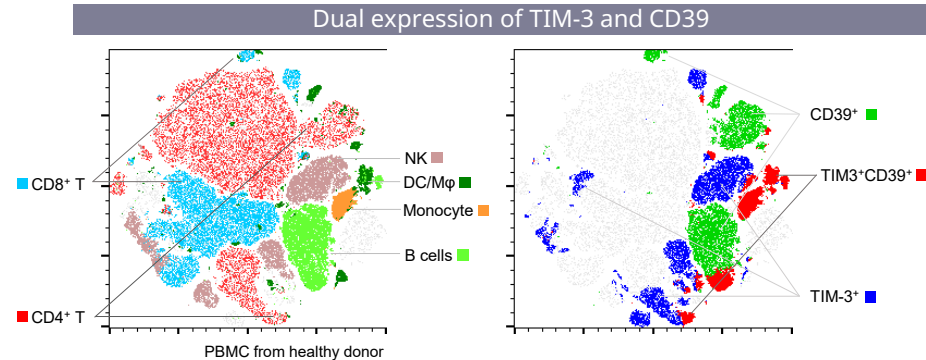
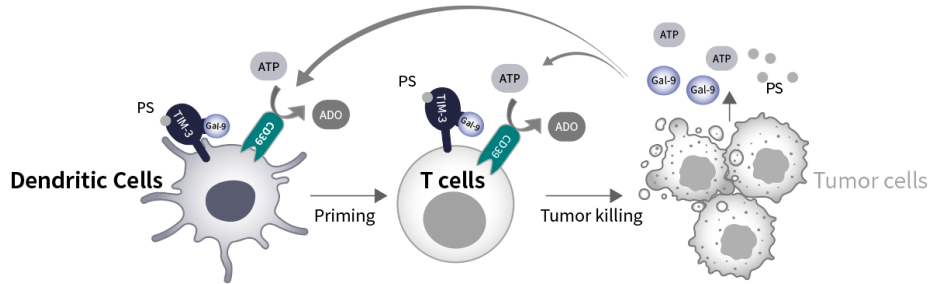


# BP1212 (anti-CD39 x anti-TIM3 Bispecific Antibody)

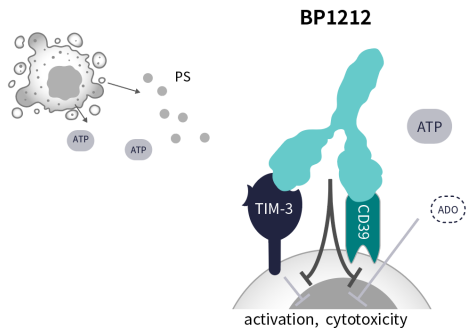
## First-in-class Dual Blockade of CD39 and TIM-3

Blockade of redefined immune checkpoints where it's meant to function by targeting two pathways

- CD39 is well known as an intervening enzyme for adenosine generation and Tim-3 is recognized as a T-cell exhaustion marker. However, the strategy to inhibit those functions hasn't been performing as well as expected.
- We redefined CD39 and Tim-3 as a new immune checkpoint different from conventional understanding by combinatory targeting two pathways.
- TIM-3 and CD39 are co-expressed by not only exhausted T cells but DC/myeloid cells that we shed light on.
- The co-expression of TIM-3 and CD39 on dendritic cells induces tolerization through distinct pathways, working synergistically to suppress the activation of innate immunity and disturbing the bridge to adaptive immunity.

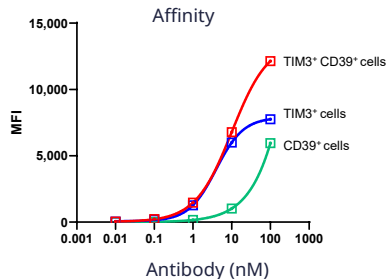


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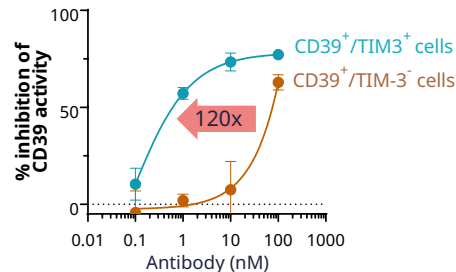


## CD39 inhibition

- BP1212 preferentially binds to TIM3<sup>+</sup> CD39<sup>+</sup> cells by the higher affinity and avidity

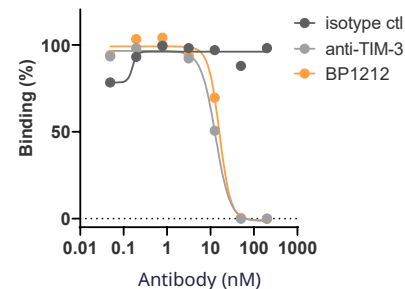


- Inhibition of CD39 is enhanced on TIM3<sup>+</sup> CD39<sup>+</sup> cells



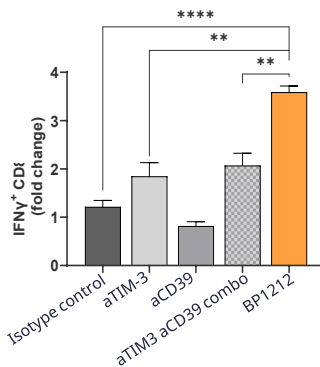
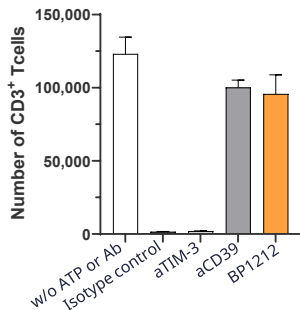
## Inhibition of TIM-3

- Inhibition of PtdSer binding



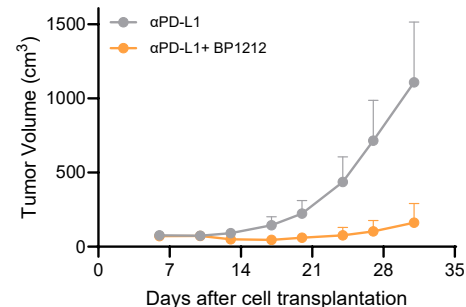
## Effects on T cell profanation and activation

- Proliferation of activated-T cells exposed to ATP
- BP1212 Enhances the expansion of IFN $\gamma$ -producing T cells



## Robust preclinical antitumor potential

- BP1212 strongly suppresses the proliferation of syngeneic tumor cells in combination with PD-L1

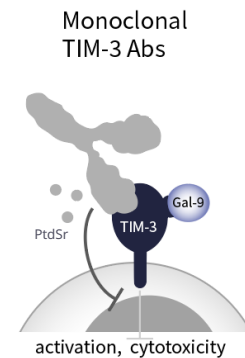
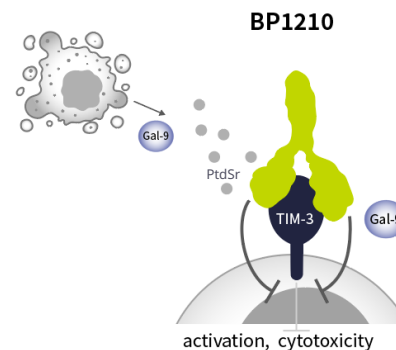
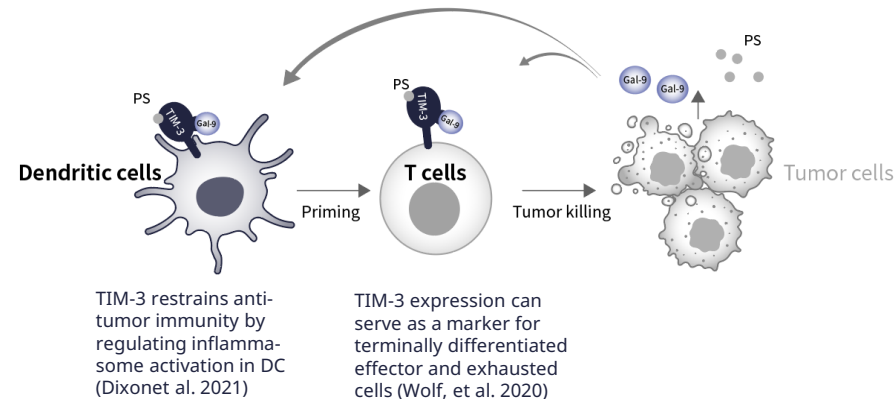




# BP1210 (anti-TIM3 Antibody)

## A Novel TIM-3 Targeting Strategy: Blocking the Binding of All Ligands

- Increasing expression of Tim-3 and Galectin-9, one of the four known ligands of Tim-3, are reported to be relevant to poor prognosis cancers such as pancreatic carcinoma, glioma, cervical carcinoma, lymphoma and leukemia.
- We hypothesize that Gal-9 plays a pivotal role in facilitating immune suppression within tumors by binding to Tim-3 on the surface of dendritic cells. This binding inhibits dendritic cell maturation, thereby impeding the mediation of T cell immunity.
- Conventional anti-Tim-3 antibodies are not able to inhibit Gal-9 binding effectively, which impedes the full potential of T cell anti-tumor activities.
- The limitation is derived from two distinct epitope bins of Tim-3, one of Gal-9 and the other of other three ligands such as PtdSr.
- BrightPath overcomes the hurdle by bringing a biparatopic antibody that inhibits both epitope bin bindings.



# BP1210 (anti-TIM3 Antibody) (cont'd)

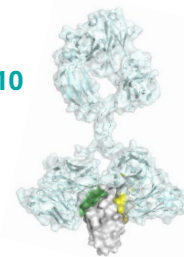
## A novel humanized, IgG1-Fc silent biparatopic antibody

- BP1210 binds to two distinct TIM-3 epitopes: one is the same domain as sabatolimab (Novartis) and all other Abs advanced in clinical development, and the other is the one that enables full interference with Gal-9 binding and that those monoclonal Abs do not reach

### Binging Affinity Enhancement

- Biparatopic antibody BP1210's affinity is enhanced to  $KD(M)$  of  $10^{-10}$  in a combination of Clone A of  $10^{-9}$  and Clone B of  $10^{-7}$

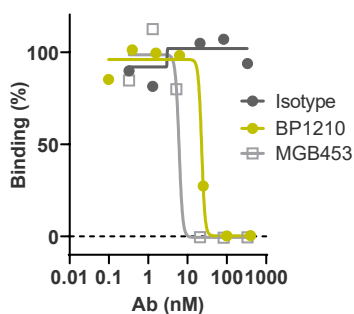
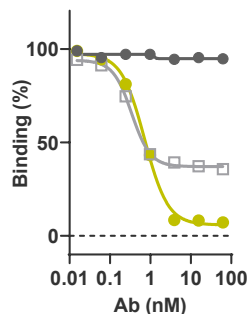
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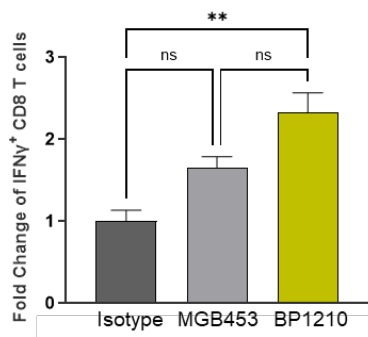
hTIM-3 IgV domain

### Inhibition of the ligand-binding

- Inhibition of Gal-9 binding
- Inhibition of PtdSr binding

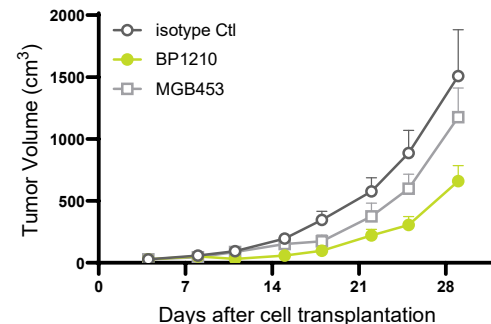


### Enhanced IFN $\gamma$ -producing T cells



### Robust Anti-tumor effect

- Head-to-head monotherapy comparison (MC-38 mouse model)

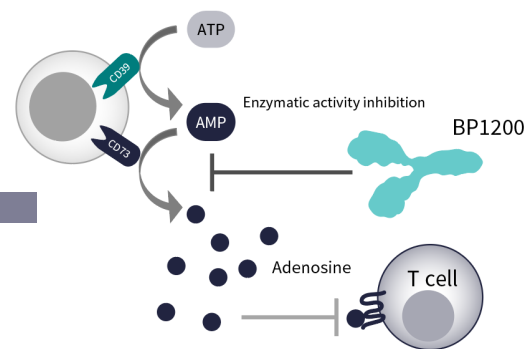


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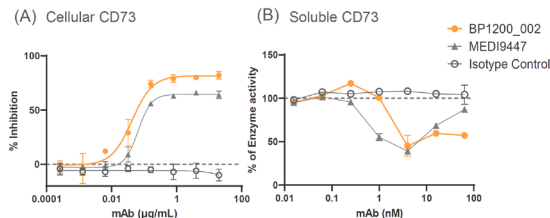
## ■ Novel anti-CD73 antibody taking standard strategy of adenosine generation blockade with a best-in-class profile

- Attenuates the activity of CD73 as a non-competitive inhibitor without hook effect
- Enhances the proliferation, cytotoxicity, and cytokine production of T cells under the TME condition
- The combination with immune checkpoint antibodies significantly suppressed tumor growth and lead long term immunotherapeutic efficacy
- Good PK/TK profiles without remarkable organ toxicity in mice and monkeys

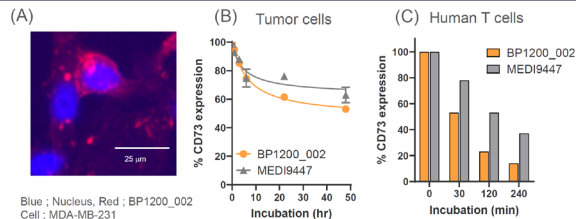
### Enzyme inhibition



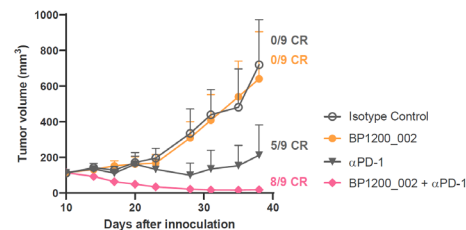
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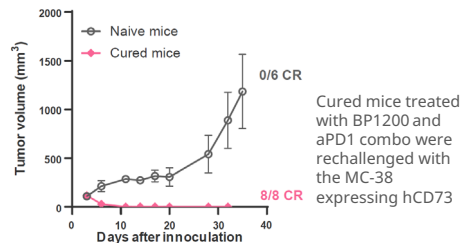
### BP1200 Internalization



### Combination therapy of BP1200 with ICB



### Tumor-Rechallenge model



### Pharmacokinetics and Toxicokinetics

Table 1. Pharmacokinetics of single intraperitoneal dose of BP1200 in female C57BL/6 mice

| Dose mg/kg | C <sub>max</sub> μg/mL | AUC <sub>0-∞</sub> hr*mg/mL | CL mL/hr/kg | V <sub>ss</sub> mL/kg | t <sub>1/2</sub> hr | MRT <sub>0-∞</sub> hr |
|------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 10         | 91±15                  | 24±2                        | 0.41±0.03   | 119±12                | 201±27              | 290±39                |

Table 2. Toxicokinetics of single or multiple intravenous dose of BP1200 in female cynomolgus monkeys

| Dose mg/kg | Route   | Day | C <sub>max</sub> μg/mL | AUC <sub>0-∞</sub> μg · hr/mL | CL mL/hr/kg | V <sub>ss</sub> mL/kg | t <sub>1/2</sub> hr | MRT <sub>0-∞</sub> hr |
|------------|---------|-----|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 5          | iv, q1w | 1   | 149                    | 8900                          | 0.7         | 52.8                  | 51.2                | 73.9                  |
| 5          | iv, q1w | 22  | 122                    | 4600                          | 2.6         | 173.3                 | 42.9                | 61.9                  |
| 25         | iv, q1w | 1   | 598                    | 22200                         | 1.1         | 68.4                  | 41.9                | 60.4                  |
| 25         | iv, q1w | 22  | 808                    | 35700                         | 0.7         | 57.6                  | 57.7                | 83.2                  |

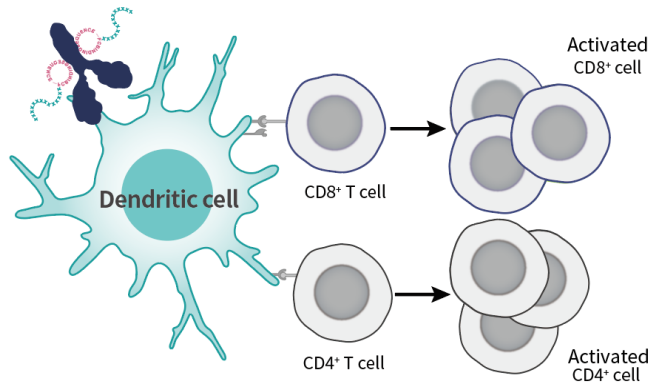
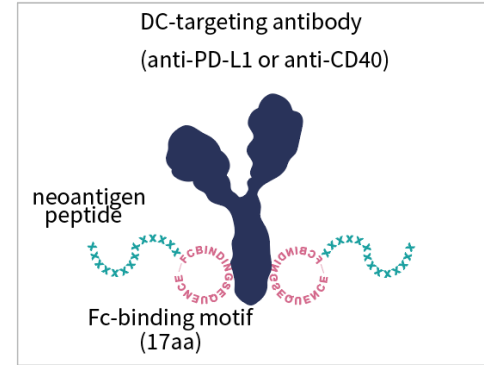
# Cancer Vaccine Pipeline

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# BP1209 (Fully Personalized Neoantigen Vaccine)

A new platform of personalized neoantigen cancer vaccines directed by checkpoint inhibitor antibodies

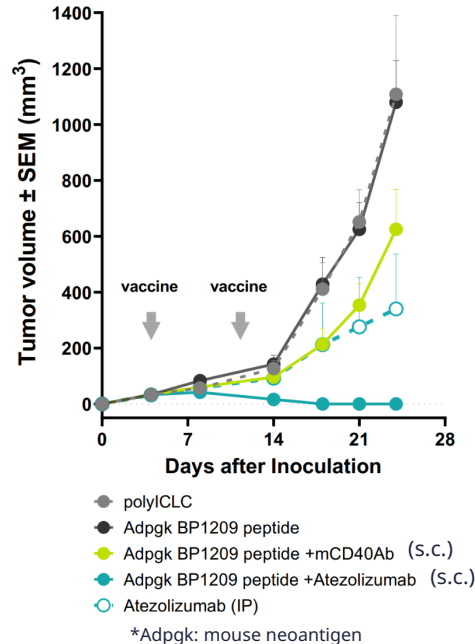
- The BP1209 vaccine is delivered as a molecular complex of patient-specific neoantigen peptides and immune-checkpoint inhibitor antibody such as anti-PD-L1 and anti-CD40 antibodies.
- The neoantigen peptides consist of three modules: HLA-class I and -class II neoantigen epitopes, and an IgG-binding motif. The peptides non-covalently bind Fc domain of IgG, and self-assemble the antibody-vaccine complex without any chemical reaction which enables individual synthesis and manufacturing fully personalized neoantigen vaccine



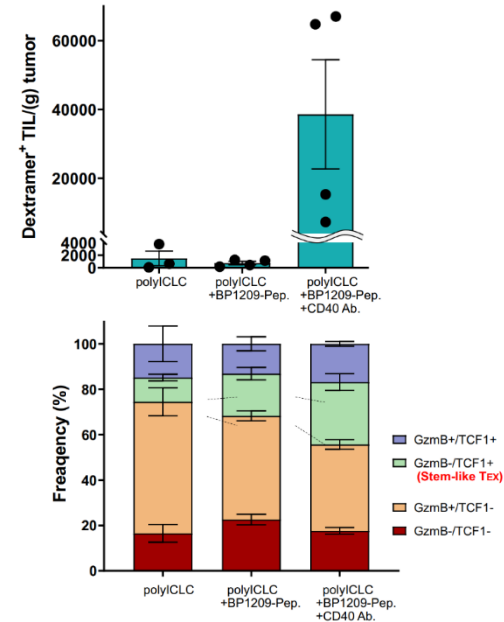
- BrightPath has developed in-house bioinformatic algorithms to identify highly immunogenic neoantigens from cancer patients and analyzed clinical samples from over 100 patients
- The new vaccine platform of BP1209 in combination with BrightPath's algorithm to identify high quality neoantigens provides an ideal option to improve neoantigen vaccine therapy

# BP1209 (Fully Personalized Neoantigen Vaccine) (cont'd)

- BP1209 exerted robust anti-tumor effect in therapeutic setting
  - Atezolizumab conjugated BP1209 vaccine maintained complete tumor regression in all the mice until study end (n=9).



- BP1209 strongly enhances stem-like Tex infiltration into tumor
  - Mice treated with the BP1209 vaccine marked increase in neoantigen specific TIL
  - The BP1209 vaccine increased TCF1+ Granzyme B- stem-like Tex



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## BrightPath Biotherapeutics Co., Ltd. (Tokyo Stock Exchange Growth: 4594)

|            |   |  |
|------------|---|--|
| Business   | Development of novel cancer immunotherapy |  |
| Foundation | May 2003                                  |  |
| Listing    | November 2015                             |  |
| Employees  | 24 (as of March 2024)                     |  |
| Location   | Headquarters:                             | 2-2-4 Kojimachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo                 |
|            | Research Laboratories:                    | 3-25-22 Tonomachi, Kawasaki-ku, Kawasaki, Kanagawa |

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