

**Corporate Presentation** 

May 2019



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#### Investment Highlights

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Advance pipeline of targeted drug candidates for selected solid tumors and hematologic malignancies

Utilize precision medicine approaches; Fast-to-market potential

### Proprietary Pipeline

**Tipifarnib:** Potent farnesyl transferase inhibitor; Registration-directed and multiple Phase 2 trials ongoing; Biomarker-guided development; Issued patents and potential for regulatory exclusivity

KO-947: ERK inhibitor; Phase 1 dose-escalation trial ongoing

KO-539: Inhibitor of menin-MLL interaction; IND cleared March 2019

### **Near-Term Milestones**

Additional Phase 2 data in CXCL12+ PTCL in June and HRAS mutant

SCCs in 2<sup>nd</sup> half 2019

#### **Team**

Proven oncology drug development experience

#### **Financials**

\$165.5M in cash as of March 31, 2019\*

#### Advancing Pipeline of Targeted Drug Candidates







### Therapeutic Target

Farnesyl transferase

ERK kinase

· Menin-MLL interaction

#### Biomarker Strategies

- · HRAS mutant solid tumors
- CXCL12-expressing hematologic malignancies and solid tumors

- MAPK-pathway dysregulated tumors
- 11q13 amplified solid tumors
- Ongoing Phase 1 dose-escalation trial

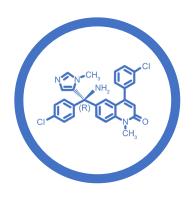
- MLL-rearranged (MLL-r) leukemias
- NPM1 and DNMT3A mutant liquid tumors
- Phase 1 trial expected to initiate in mid-2019

#### Development Status

- Registration-directed study and multiple Phase 2 trials ongoing\*
- Two biomarkers identified with issued patents

### Biomarker Strategies May Unlock Clinical Activity and Commercial Value

### Targeted Therapy

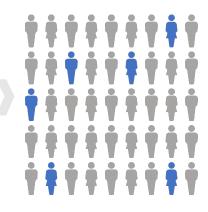


### **Analytical Technologies**



(next-generation sequencing, expression profiling, etc.)

### Selected Patient Population



#### **Potential Value**

- Enrichment of clinical activity
- Higher probability of success
- Expedited development and regulatory path
- Strong commercial case

### Multiple Clinical Proof-of-Concepts Reinforce Precision Medicine Approach

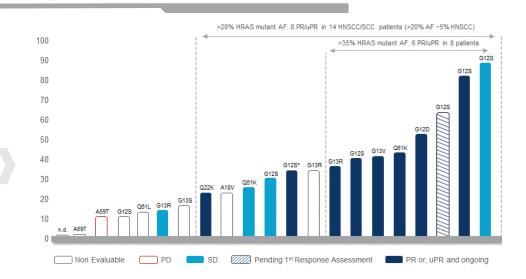
#### **HRAS Mutant**

**HNSCC** 



HRAS Mutant Allele Frequency

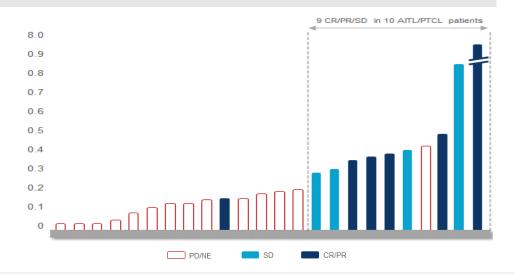
Clinical benefit observed in **high frequency HRAS mutant** population



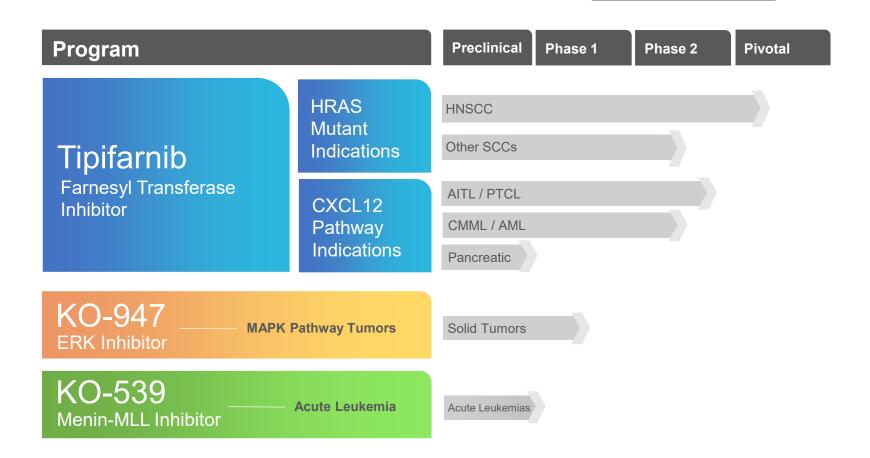


Clinical benefit observed in **high CXCL12 AITL / PTCL** population

High CXCL12 Levels



#### **Product Candidate Pipeline**



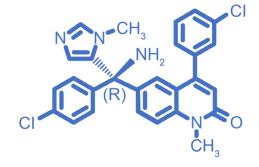
Investigator-Sponsored Trials | HRAS Mutant Urothelial Carcinomas, Samsung Medical Center | HRAS Mutant Lung Squamous Cell Carcinomas, Spanish Lung Cancer Group

### Tipifarnib in HRAS Mutant Solid Tumors

- Tipifarnib Using CXCL12 Pathway Biomarkers
- KO-947 (ERK Inhibitor)
- KO-539 (Menin-MLL Inhibitor)

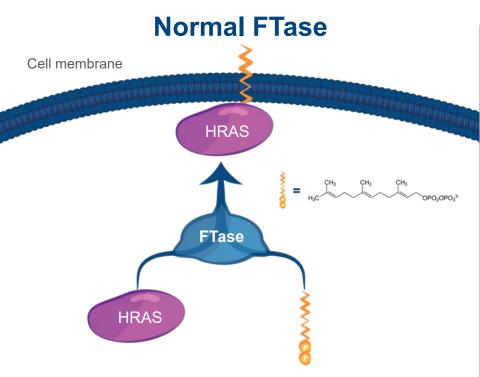
### Tipifarnib: Selective Farnesyl Transferase Inhibitor with Substantial Prior Clinical Experience

- Extremely potent and selective inhibitor of farnesyl transferase<sup>1</sup> licensed from Janssen
- Well characterized > 5,000 patients treated in > 70 prior studies
- Anecdotal activity of durable responses but developed before advent of personalized medicine approaches, including genetic selection



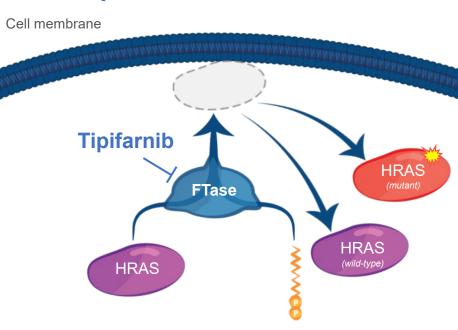
- Manageable safety profile as single agent therapy (< 25% treatment discontinuation)</li>
- Tipifarnib adverse events (reported from 472 solid tumor patients):
  - Myelosuppression (neutropenia 25%, anemia 31%, thrombocytopenia 19%)
  - Non-heme > 25%: fatigue (41%) and GI unspecific (nausea 47%, anorexia 33%, diarrhea 32%, vomiting 32%)

### Farnesylation is Required for HRAS Activity



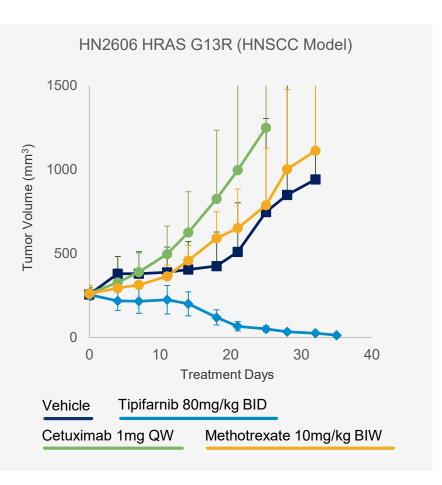
- Farnesyl transferase (FTase) attaches farnesyl group to proteins, facilitating localization to the inner cell membrane
- Membrane localization is required for HRAS signal transduction activity

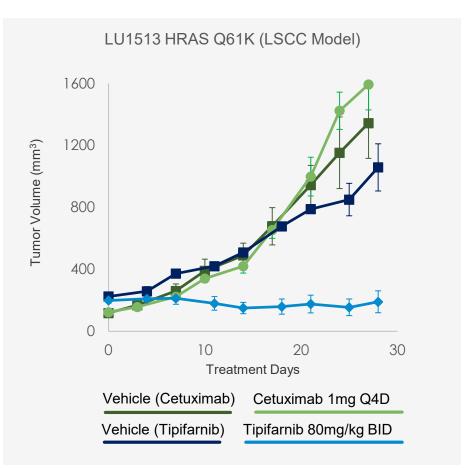
#### **Tipifarnib Inhibits FTase**



- Blocking farnesylation prevents wild-type and mutant HRAS membrane localization
- NRAS and KRAS are susceptible to redundant forms of prenylation, but HRAS can only be farnesylated

### Tipifarnib is a Potent Inhibitor of HRAS Mutant Tumors

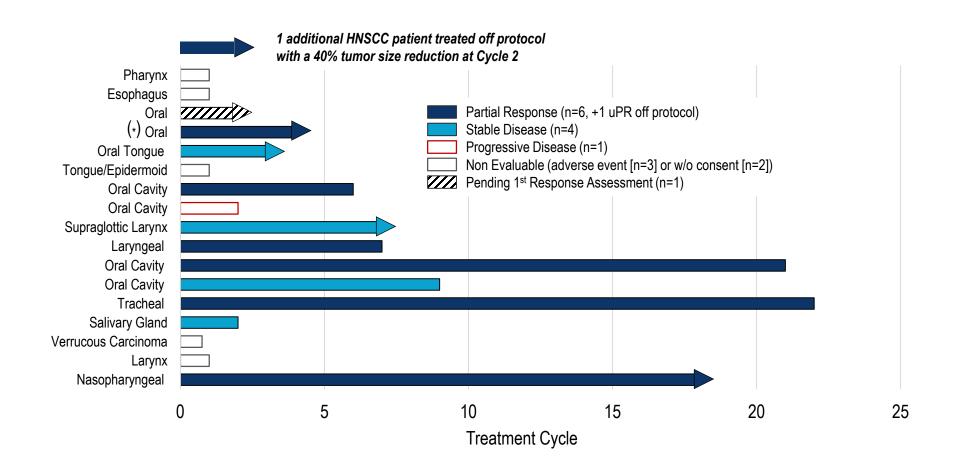




- Regressions observed in preclinical PDX models of SCC carrying the HRAS mutant oncogene
- Stasis or regression observed in other tumor types carrying HRAS mutations

#### Phase 2 Study of Tipifarnib: HNSCC Patients

(n=17 on study + 1 patient treated off protocol)



### Resolution of Disfiguring Skin Lesions with Tipifarnib Post-Immunotherapy Failure

- Patient 012-001: 69-year-old male with recurrent oral cavity SCC
- Prior therapies: TPEx (docetaxel CDDP cetuximab), nivolumab + lirilumab
- Molecular status: HRAS G12S, TP53 R248Q
- 27.5% HRAS mutant allele frequency
- Initial PR (40% tumor reduction) on Cycle 1 Day 15 (7 days tipifarnib + 7 days rest;
   56% reduction at Cycle 3









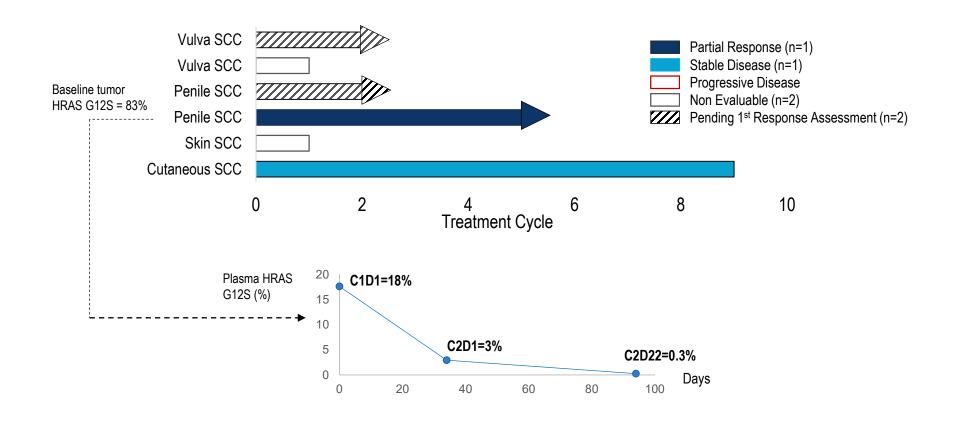
Cycle 1 Day 1

Cycle 1 Day 7

Cycle 1 Day 20

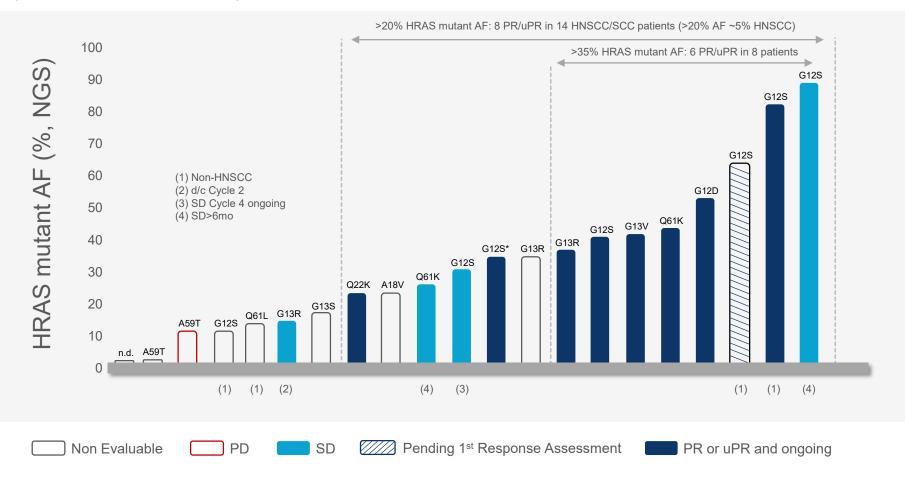
Cycle 2 Day 1

### Phase 2 Study of Tipifarnib: Other SCC Patients (n=6)



### Association of HRAS Mutant Allele Frequency with Clinical Benefit from Tipifarnib

(HNSCC, SCC, n=21)



### Tipifarnib Development Program in HRAS Mutant HNSCC



HRAS mutant patients who are not eligible for participation in AIM-HN may be referred to RUN-HN

AIM-HN: Global, multi-center registration directed trial of tipifarnib in HRAS mutant HNSCC

**SEQ-HN:** Matched control study to identify HRAS mutant HNSCC patients and characterize activity of standard of care

#### AIM-HN: Trial Design



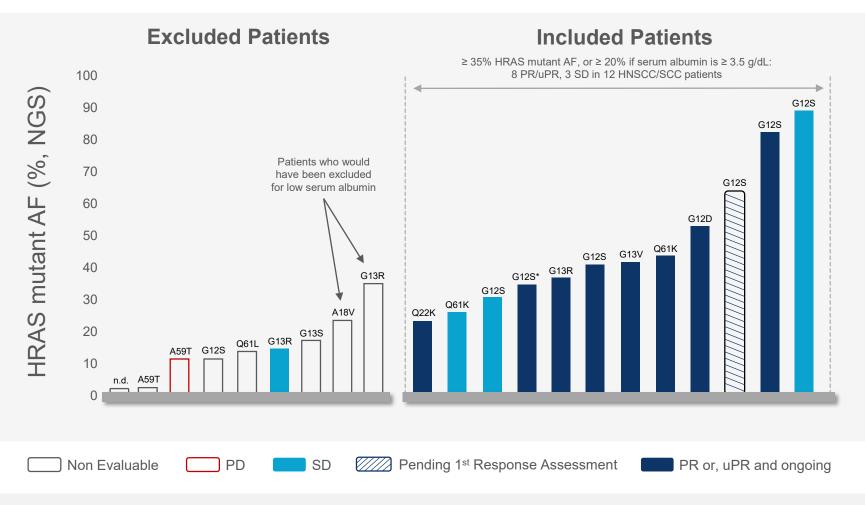
AIM-HN KO-TIP-007

- Global, registration-directed trial
  - Targeting ~ 100 clinical sites worldwide
  - Anticipate ~ two years to enroll
- Primary endpoint: Objective Response Rate (ORR) by IRR
- Statistical assumptions
  - At least 59 subjects, 80% power, 15% ORR (null hypothesis) and 30% ORR (response rate of interest)
- Minimum tumor HRAS mutant allele frequency of 20%
  - Tumor HRAS mutation with an allele frequency ≥ 35%, or ≥ 20% if serum albumin is ≥ 3.5 g/dL
- 600 mg BID starting dose given daily in alternate weeks
- As currently designed, AIM-HN may be adequate to support an NDA seeking accelerated approval (FDA end of Phase 2 meeting)
  - SEQ-HN data to provide a benchmark of the activity of standard of care in HRAS mutant HNSCC (relevant for potential label discussion and post approval commitments)
- Trial initiated and open for enrollment in November 2018



### Activity When AIM-HN Criteria Applied Retrospectively to Phase 2 Study

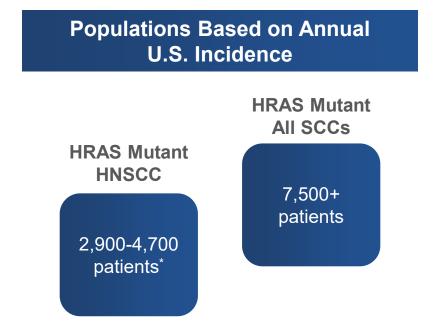
(HNSCC, SCC, n=21)



### HRAS Mutant Cancers: Market Opportunity

# HNSCC Represents Significant Unmet Need¹ 1L 2L ORR 36% ORR 13-16% PFS 5.6 months PFS ~2 months

- Outcome of SOC in unselected populations
- Lower response rate expected in HRAS mutant patients<sup>2</sup>



OS 6-8 months

OS ~10 months

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> N Engl J Med. 2008 Sep 11;359(11):1116-27 | Keytruda & Opdivo package inserts | J Clin Oncol. 2007 Jun 1;25(16):2171-7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Journal of Clinical Oncology 2012 30:15\_suppl, 5574-5574

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate is between 5-8% of total HNSCC population, depending on allele frequency of HRAS mutations (Source: TCGA, internal data)

## Tipifarnib Using CXCL12 Pathway Biomarkers

- Tipifarnib in HRAS Mutant Solid Tumors
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### Relevance of CXCL12 Inhibition as a Targeted Therapy

#### Key characteristics of CXCL12

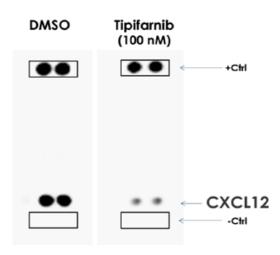
- Expressed primarily by immune cells, endothelial cells and stromal fibroblasts that constitute the tumor microenvironment
- Binds and activates two receptors, CXCR4 and CXCR7
- CXCL12 and its receptors are key factors linking cancer cells with tumor microenvironment

#### Potential role of CXCL12 inhibition in cancer therapy

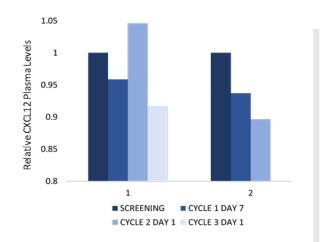
- Inhibition of growth and homing of lymphoid and myeloid tumors<sup>1</sup>
- Interference with tumor cell metastasis into secondary organs, e.g. inhibition of bone recurrence of solid tumors in adjuvant settings – after primary tumor is removed by surgery/chemoradiation<sup>2</sup>
- Reversion of the tolerogenic effect of a tumor microenvironment rich in immunosuppressive cells such as regulatory T-cells and neutrophils, *e.g.* synergy of CXCL12 and PD-L1 inhibition in pancreatic tumor models<sup>3</sup>



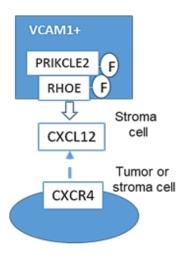
### Tipifarnib is a Potent Inhibitor of CXCL12 Secretion by Stromal Cells



Tipifarnib downregulates CXCL12 secretion ex-vivo in CD1 mouse bone marrow stroma cultures



Decrease in CXCL12 plasma levels in two tipifarnib-treated T-cell lymphoma patients (tipifarnib dose 300 mg bid for 21 of 28-day cycles)



Gene expression of the uniquely farnesylated RHOE (RND3) and PRICKLE2 proteins is strongly associated with bone marrow stroma CXCL12 expression, suggesting potential CXCL12-related tipifarnib targets<sup>1</sup>

# Tipifarnib Using CXCL12 Pathway Biomarkers: PTCL / AITL

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### PTCL: CXCL12-Expressing Lymphoma with a Significant Unmet Need

	BELEODAQ <sup>®</sup> (BELINOSTAT)	ISTODAX <sup>®</sup> (ROMIDEPSIN)	FOLOTYN <sup>®</sup> (PRALATREXATE)
Efficacy Study	Single Arm <sup>1</sup> N=120	Single Arm <sup>2</sup> N=130	Single Arm³ N=109
Prior Therapies (range)	2 (1-8)	2 (1-8)	3 (1-12)
Overall Response Rate	25.8%	26.2%	27%
Median PFS/TTP	1.6 months	4.0 months	3.5 months
Median Overall Survival	7.9 months	11.3 months	14.5 months
Dosing	IV infusion <sup>4</sup>	IV infusion <sup>5</sup>	IV push <sup>6</sup>

Approved therapies in relapsed / refractory PTCL approved based on single-arm clinical trials of 130 patients or fewer with response rates in the range of 25-27% and limited duration of clinical benefit in unselected populations

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Beleodaq<sup>®</sup> package insert

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Istodax® package insert

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Folotyn<sup>®</sup> package insert

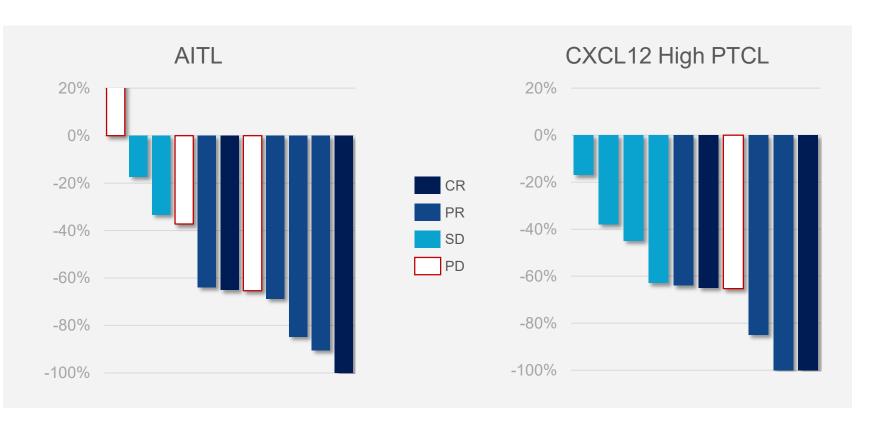
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 1,000 mg/m<sup>2</sup> administered over 30 mins by IV infusion once daily on days 1-5 of a 21-day cycle

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 5}$  14 mg/m² administered over a 4-hour period by IV on days 1, 8 and 15 of a 28-day cycle

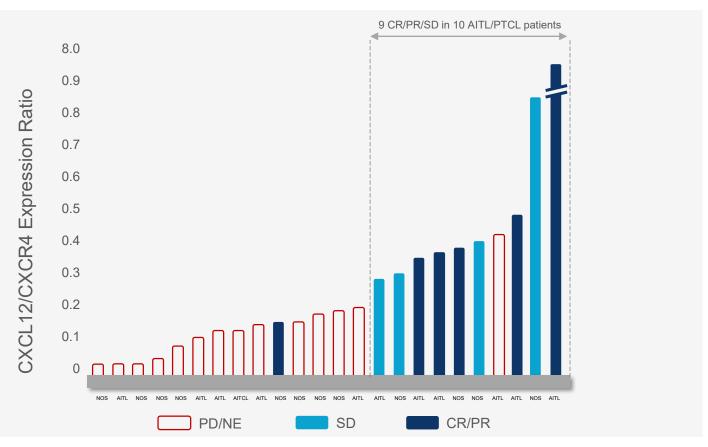
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 30 mg/m² administered over 3-5 mins as an IV push once weekly for 6 weeks in 7-week cycles

### Clinical Activity in Phase 2 Study of Tipifarnib

#### Change in SPD (%)



### Association of High CXCL12 with Clinical Benefit from Tipifarnib in AITL/PTCL

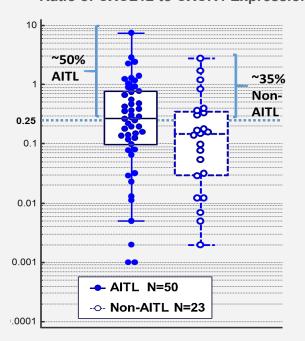


- The High CXCL12/CXCR4 subset of PTCL patients experienced **50% ORR and 90% clinical benefit** with tipifarnib after a median of 3 prior therapies
- High CXCL12/CXCR4 expression ratio had 90% sensitivity and 93% specificity to identify PTCL patients likely to benefit from tipifarnib

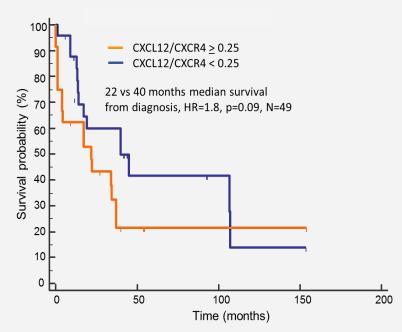


### High CXCL12 Defines Poor Prognosis with Standard of Care Therapy in PTCL

#### Ratio of CXCL12 to CXCR4 Expression



#### **Standard of Care Treatment**

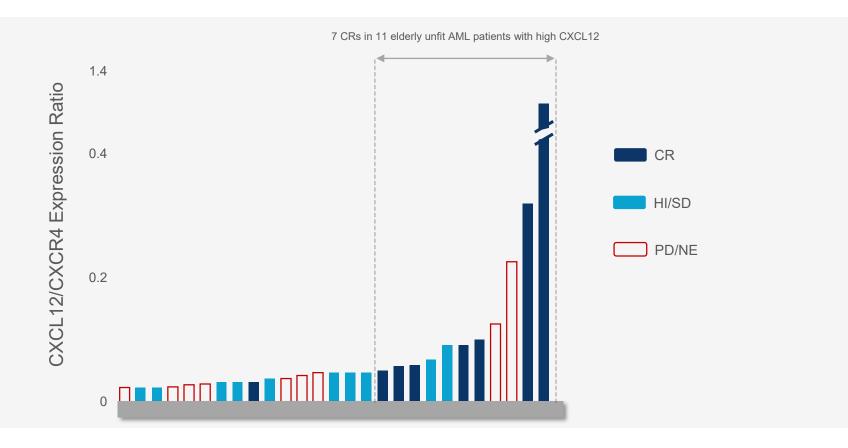


- A trend for worse prognosis was observed in PTCL patients with high CXCL12/CXCR4 expression ratio when treated with standard of care therapy
- Increasing levels of CXCL12 resulted in significantly more negative prognosis for SOC (not shown)
- CXCL12 high subset of patients represents ~40% of PTCL

# Tipifarnib Using CXCL12 • Pathway Biomarkers: Other Hematologic Malignancies

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### Association of High CXCL12 with Activity of Tipifarnib in Elderly Unfit AML

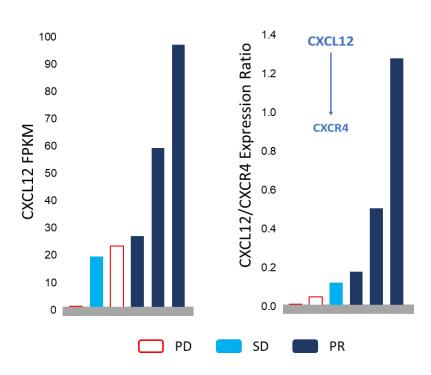


 CTEP20 study: Patient subset – available AML marrow samples with NRAS WT or unknown, N=27 (NCBI GEO, GSE8970)<sup>1</sup>

### CXCL12 Expression a Potential Marker of Clinical Benefit in DLBCL and CTCL

- Activity of tipifarnib in relapsed/refractory lymphomas was previously investigated in a single-agent Phase 2 trial (N=93)<sup>1</sup>
- Pre-treatment tumor samples and best response data were obtained from 20 patients, including 6 diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL), 6 Hodgkin lymphoma and 2 mycosis fungoides
- Six PRs were reported in this subset: 3 in DLBCL, 1 in Hodgkin lymphoma and 2 in mycosis fungoides
- High pre-treatment tumor CXCL12 expression predicted objective response in DLBCL (right)
- Both mycosis fungoides patients with high CXCL12 expression experienced PRs
  - Mycosis fungoides is the most common form of cutaneous T-cell lymphoma (CTCL)
- No relationship between CXCL12 expression and clinical benefit in Hodgkin lymphoma was observed in this dataset

Objective Responses in Tipifarnib-treated DLBCL Patients with High Tumor CXCL12 Expression<sup>2</sup>



# Tipifarnib Using CXCL12 Pathway Biomarkers: Solid Tumors

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### Solid Tumors: Potential CXCL12-Driven Tumor Indication in Pancreatic Cancer

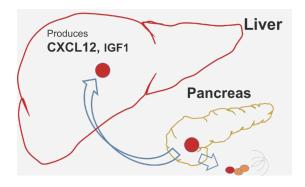
- Elevated CXCL12 expression is known to be a poor prognosis factor in patients with pancreatic, lung and esophageal-gastric cancers<sup>1</sup>
- Kura conducted a retrospective analysis of INT-11, a randomized, doubleblind, placebo-controlled Phase 3 trial of gemcitabine + tipifarnib versus gemcitabine + placebo in patients with advanced pancreatic adenocarcinoma previously untreated with systemic therapy
  - Tipifarnib was given at 200 mg bid orally continuously; gemcitabine was given at 1,000 mg/m(2) intravenously weekly x 7 for 8 weeks, then weekly x 3 every 4 weeks; a total of 688 patients were enrolled
  - The median overall survival for the experimental arm was 6.4 vs 6.1 months for the control arm (P = .75). Neutropenia and thrombocytopenia grade > 3 were observed in 40% and 15% in the experimental arm patients versus 30% and 12% in the control arm<sup>2</sup>
- Results were presented at ASCO GI 2019



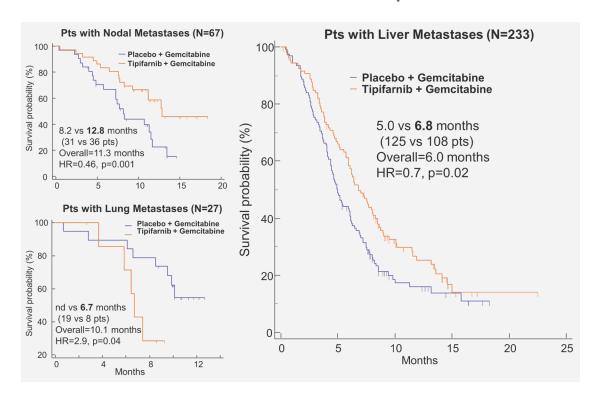
### Association between CXCL12 Expression and Clinical Benefit in Pancreatic Cancer

#### Nodal and Liver Metastases Associated with Clinical Benefit from Tipifarnib

### Disease Model for CXCL12 Expressing Sites

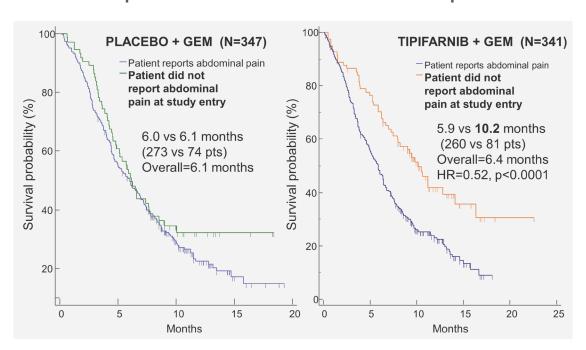


- CXCL12/IGF1 induce tumor homing to liver and lymph nodes<sup>1</sup>
- Lymph nodes and regional paratumor vessels produce high levels of CXCL12, IGF1

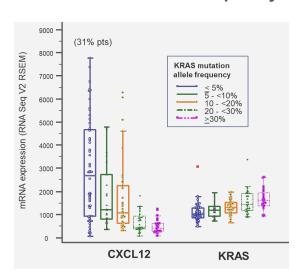


### Potential Predictive Value of Absence of Abdominal Pain and Low KRAS mutation

Subset analysis of study INT-11 survival based on expected association between high CXCL12 expression and attenuation of abdominal pain



High CXCL12 Expression in Pancreatic Tumors with ≤ 5% KRAS Mutant Allele Frequency

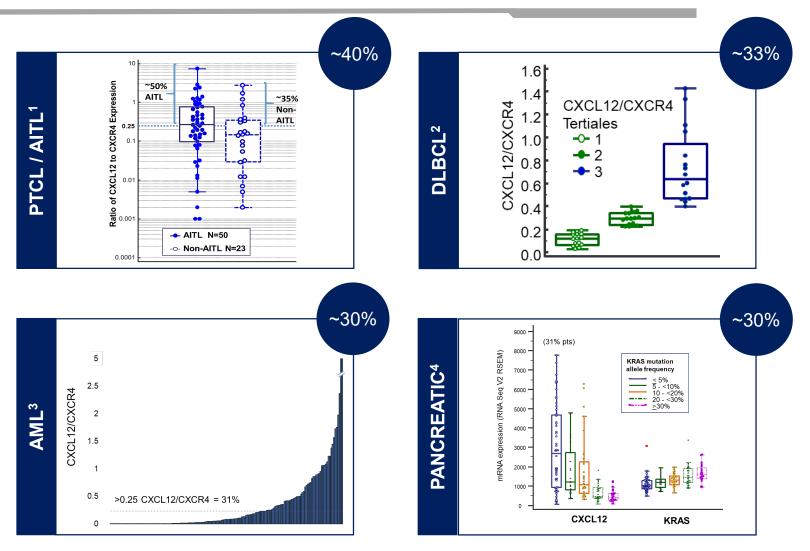


 Absence of abdominal pain may be a surrogate of tipifarnib activity. High CXCL12 expression attracts CXCR7 expressing Schwann cells resulting in attenuated cancer-associated pain<sup>1</sup>

# Tipifarnib Using CXCL12 • Pathway Biomarkers: Opportunity

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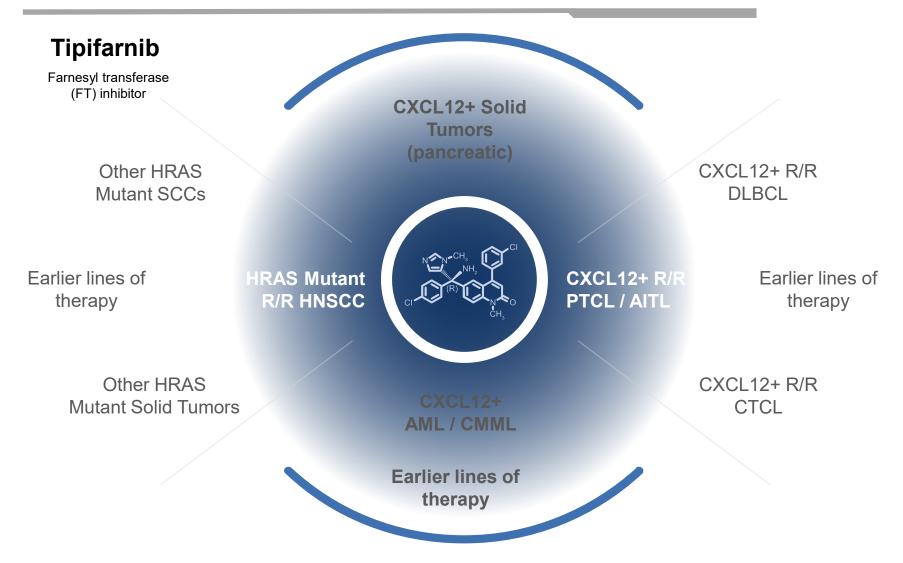
### CXCL12-High Populations Represented in Indications with High Unmet Need



#### **CXCL12-Driven Indications**

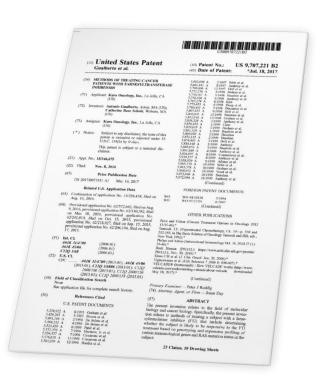
Indication	Est. Annual U.S. Incidence*
Lymphoma	
Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma (DLBCL)	27,650 <sup>1</sup>
Peripheral T-Cell Lymphoma (PTCL) / Angioimmunoblastic T-cell Lymphoma (AITL)	3,950 <sup>1</sup>
Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma (CTCL) / Mycosis Fungoides	1,690 <sup>1</sup>
Myeloid Neoplasia	
Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML)	21,450 <sup>2</sup>
Chronic Myelomonocytic Leukemia (CMML)	1,100 <sup>2</sup>
Solid Tumor	
Pancreatic Cancer	56,770 <sup>2</sup>

### Cornerstone Proof-of-Concepts Support Expansion to Additional Indications



### Biomarker Strategies Enlarge Patent Estate for Therapeutic Uses of Tipifarnib

- U.S. patent 9,707,221 issued in July 2017 provides exclusivity for tipifarnib in HRAS mutant HNSCC indication to 2036
- Corresponding patents beginning to issue in foreign countries
- U.S. patent 9,956,215 issued in May 2018 provides exclusivity for tipifarnib in certain CXCL12-expressing cancers to 2037
- U.S. patent 10,137,121 issued in November 2018 provided exclusivity for tipifarnib in AITL to 2037
- Additional patent applications pending in the U.S. and foreign countries for tipifarnib in other biomarkers and disease indications
- Patents illustrate potential of broader strategy to generate intellectual property related to use of drug candidates in biomarker-defined populations



## 3 · KO-947 (ERK Inhibitor)

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#### KO-947: Potent Inhibitor of ERK1/2

#### Summary

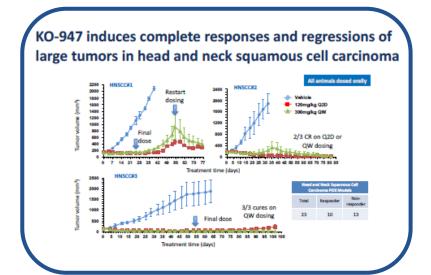
- Potent, selective small molecule inhibitor of ERK1/2
- Demonstrates prolonged pathway modulation in preclinical tumor models
- Multiple tumors, including SCCs and KRAS mutant adenocarcinomas, identified as sensitive to KO-947 as monotherapy in preclinical models
- Mechanism-based and SOC combinations under evaluation

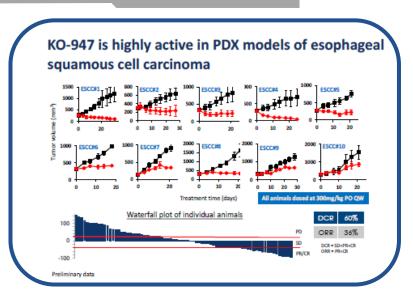
# KO-947 ERK inhibitor

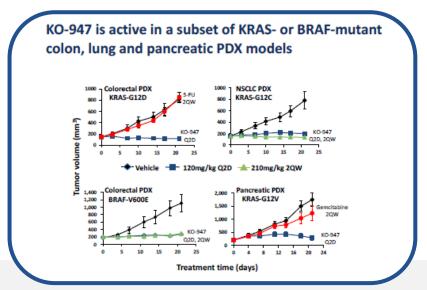
#### Clinical Development and Status

- Unique pharmacology enables intermittent dosing schedules
- Potential biomarkers, including 11q13 amplifications in SCCs, for sensitive subsets have been identified
- Phase 1 dose-escalation trial ongoing
- Initial Phase 1 clinical data anticipated in 2019

### KO-947 Demonstrates Robust Single-Agent Activity in Preclinical Studies







# • KO-539 (Menin-MLL Inhibitor)

- **01** Tipifarnib in HRAS Mutant Solid Tumors
- **02** Tipifarnib Using CXCL12 Pathway Biomarkers
- 03 · KO-947 (ERK Inhibitor)

### KO-539: Potent Inhibitor of Menin-MLL Interaction

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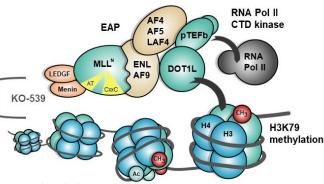
- Potent, selective small molecule inhibitor of the menin-MLL interaction
- Robust antitumor activity observed in mixed lineage leukemias rearranged (MLL-r) as well as disseminated NPM1mut and DNMT3Amut AML PDX models
- Preliminary data suggests anti-leukemic activity by induction of myeloid differentiation in AML blasts
- Menin-MLL inhibitors have the potential to treat approximately 50% of acute leukemias

#### Status

- IND application cleared in Q1 2019
- Initiation of Phase 1 study anticipated in mid-2019

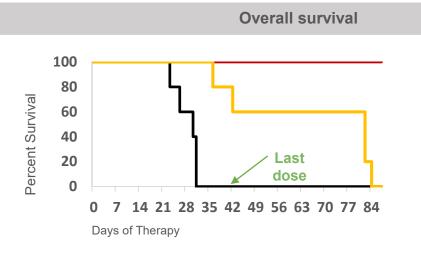
The menin-MLL complex appears to be a central node in epigenetic dysregulation driven by several distinct oncogenic driver mutations important in diverse leukemias and myeloproliferative disorders

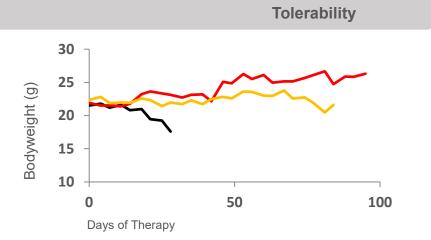


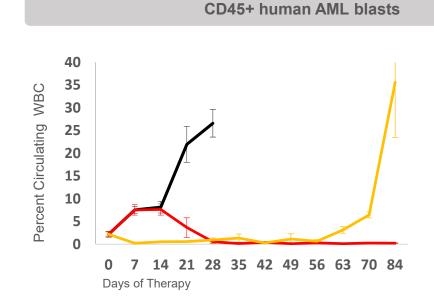


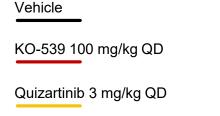
### KO-539 Produces Lasting Complete Remissions in a NPM1/DNMT3A/IDH2/FLT3-Mutant AML Model











### Anticipated Milestones & Financial Highlights

Program		Milestones	Status
Tipifarnib Farnesyl Transferase Inhibitor	HRAS Mutant	Initiation of registration-direct1ed trial in HNSCC	<b>✓</b>
	Indications	Additional data from Phase 2 trial in HNSCC and other SCCs	2H 2019
		Patents for tipifarnib in AITL and CXCL12+ PTCL/AML	✓
	CXCL12	Proof-of-concept in AITL	✓
	Pathway Indications	Additional data from Phase 2 trial in CXCL12+ PTCL	June 2019
		Additional data from Phase 2 trial in CMML	2019
KO-947 Potential biomarker of activity in squamous cell carcinomas		✓	
ERK Inhibitor		Data from Phase 1 dose-escalation trial	2019
KO-539	KO-539 FDA clearance of IND application		✓
Menin-MLL Inhibitor		Initiation of Phase 1 trial	Mid-2019

Financial
Highlights

Nasdaq: KURA

Shares outstanding: 38.2M basic, 4.3M options\*

Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments: \$165.5M\*

