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## **Company Highlights**

- Inspirna's mission is to develop first-in-class drugs to treat cancer types of high-unmet medical need
- Lead drug candidate ompenaclid is a novel small molecule SLC6A8 inhibitor with activity in pan-RAS mutant colorectal cancer currently in Phase 2 development
- Second program abequolixron is a small molecule LXR agonist in Phase 1b/2 development for lung and endometrial cancer
- Robust pipeline generated using novel miRNA-DRIVEr platform to discover key drivers of cancer
- Strong management team supported by top-tier institutional investors, collaborators and advisors

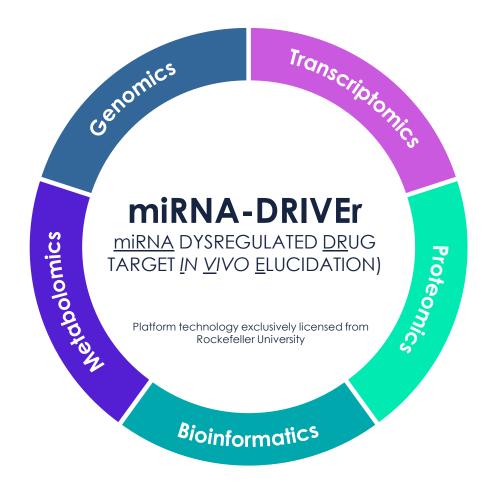
SLC6A8 -Solute Carrier family 6 member 8, LXR- Liver X Receptor, miRNA DRIVER- <u>miRNA</u> DYSREGULATED <u>DR</u>UG TARGET <u>IN V</u>IVO <u>E</u>LUCIDATION

# miRNA-DRIVEr: Proprietary and clinically-validated platform to discover actionable targets of miRNA dysregulation

#### Platform technology exclusively licensed from Rockefeller University

#### Why target miRNA regulated pathways?

- Micro RNAs (miRNAs)\* have important functions in controlling many cell properties:
  - Regulate gene expression at the post-transcriptional level;
  - Modulate cell growth and differentiation;
  - Regulate pathways and networks via coordinated activities;
  - Act as control nodes or hubs in regulatory networks; and
  - Act co-operatively with other miRNAs and with transcription factors, which are frequent targets of miRNAs.
- miRNA dysregulation is a frequent contributor to cancer growth and progression.
  - Delineating miRNA functional effects requires elucidation of their upstream regulators and downstream targets.

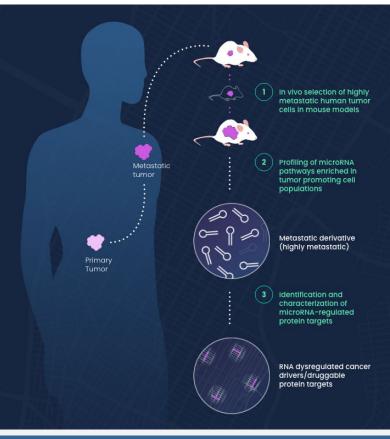




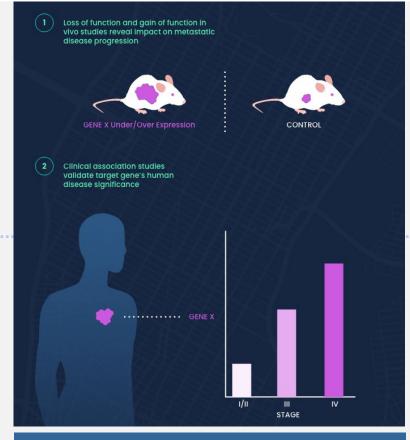
# Overview - miRNA-DRIVEr platform miRNA DYSREGULATED DRUG TARGET IN VIVO ELUCIDATION)



RNA-DRIVEr
platform reveals
actionable
RNA-dysregulated
cancer targets



We discover critical targets that drive the growth of metastatic disease.



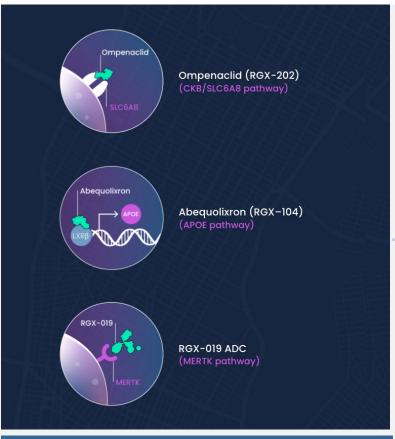
We test and validate the role of the discovered gene in driving metastatic disease.



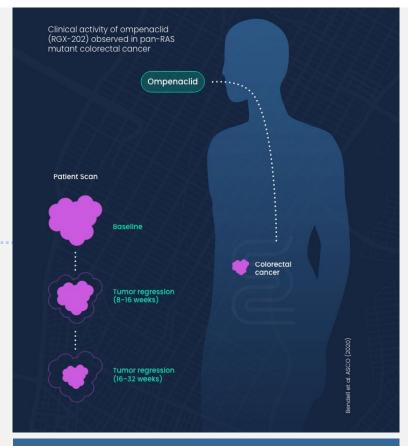
# Overview - miRNA-DRIVEr platform cont... First-in-class targets discovered and developed



RNA-DRIVEr platform reveals actionable RNA-dysregulated cancer targets (cont'd)



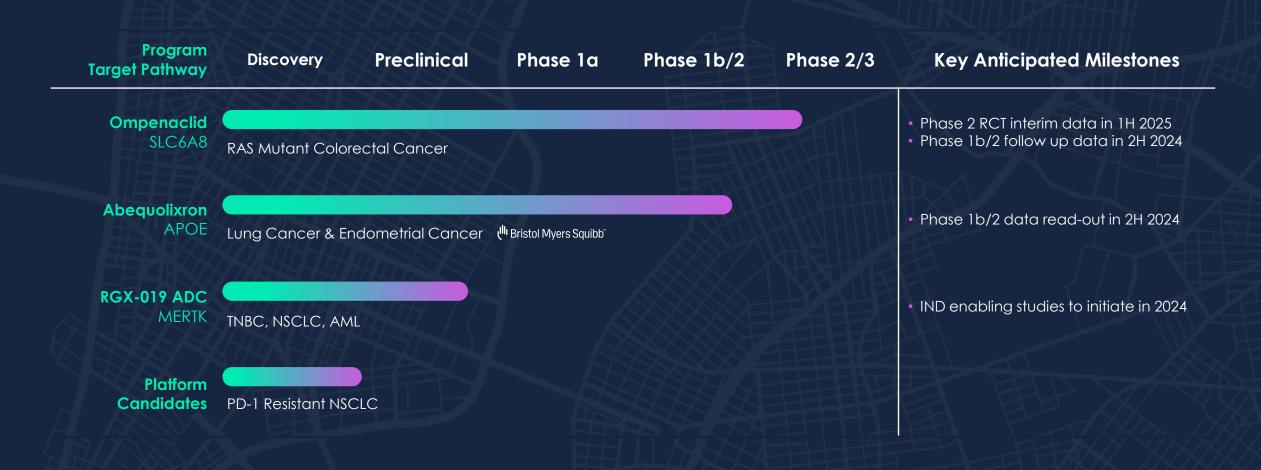
Our experienced team develops new drug candidates suitable for clinical evaluation.



We then transform cancer medicine by leveraging RNA biology driven insights.



# Inspirna's First-in-Class Oncology Pipeline





# Ompenaclid (RGX-202)

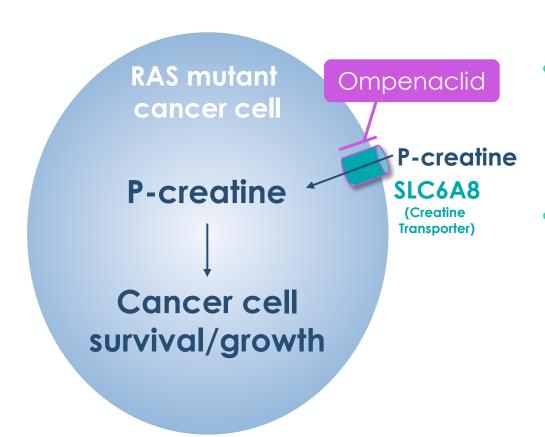


- First-in-class orally-administered small molecule SLC6A8 inhibitor
- Targets key pathway that drives RAS mutant tumor growth
- Monotherapy clinical activity in RAS mutated relapsed/refractory metastatic colorectal cancer (CRC) demonstrated during Phase 1
- Clinical activity in combination with standard-of-care (SOC) demonstrated in patients with pan-RAS mutated second line advanced or metastatic CRC in an ongoing Phase 1b/2 trial
- Excellent safety profile with no dose-limiting toxicities observed as a single agent or in combination with SOC in Phase 1 dose escalations
- Initiated a Phase 2 double blinded randomized controlled trial
- Phase 3 preparation activities underway to enable a global pivotal trial
- Issued global patent protection to 2036 (2040+ if new patents issued)



# Ompenaclid mechanism of action





- Ompenaclid is an oral smallmolecule competitive inhibitor of the SLC6A8 creatine transporter
- Blockade of SLC6A8 by ompenaclid depletes creatine and phosphocreatine in RAS mutant cancer cells, resulting in impairment of ATP synthesis and induction of apoptotic cancer cell death

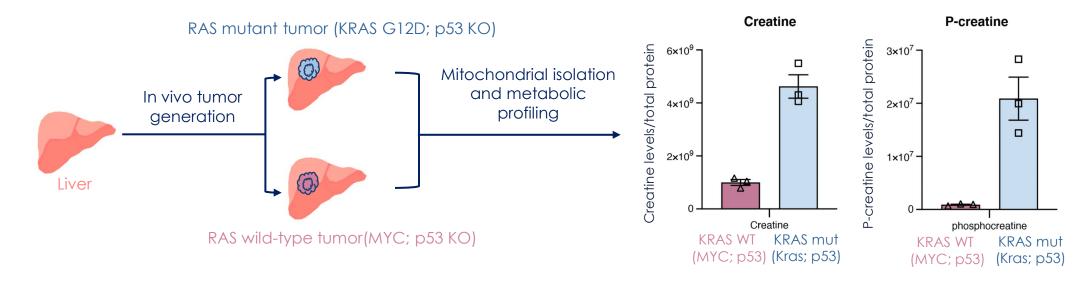
Sources: 1) Kurth et al. Sci Adv. 2021 Oct 8;7(41); 2) Loo et al. Cell. 2015 Jan 29;160(3):393-406; 3) Bendell et al. ASCO (2020); 4) Kurth et al. AACR (2018)

<sup>\*</sup> Solute carrier family 6 member 8



## RAS mutated cancers are dependent on activated creatine metabolism

- RAS mutant tumors significantly activate creatine metabolism
- Metabolic profiling demonstrates substantial increase in creatine and phospho-creatine (P-creatine) levels in the mitochondria of RAS mutant tumors relative to RAS wild-type (WT) tumors or healthy tissue



Creatine and phosphocreatine levels were measured in the mitochondria of p53 KO liver tumors that harbor either a KRAS G12D mutation or MYC overexpression. Tumors were induced by hydrodynamic injection of a plasmid carrying a p53 CRISPR construct to knock out p53, a mitochondrial tag and either MYC or KRAS G12D overexpression constructs.



# RAS-mutated colorectal cancer (CRC) remains a highunmet medical need requiring a novel targeted therapy

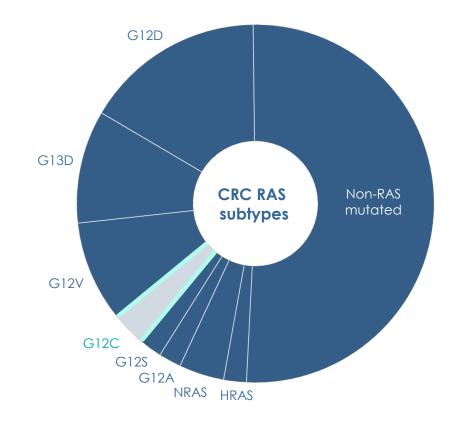
- CRC is the 3rd most common cancer diagnosed in the United States
- ~45% of patients with CRC have RAS-mutated cancer
- Only ~3% of CRC can be addressed with targeted KRAS G12C inhibitors currently in development

mCRC KRAS G12C mutation patients in USA at peak sales year ~2,000

Sources: 1) American Cancer Society: 2) Serebrijskij et al. Nat Commun 10, 3722 (2019): 3) Pfeiffer P. Qvortrup C. Lancet Oncol. 2022 Jan;23(1):10-11; 4) Fakih et al; The Oncologist, 2022, 27, 663-674

## Potentially addressable CRC patient population

(KRAS G12C inhibitors)





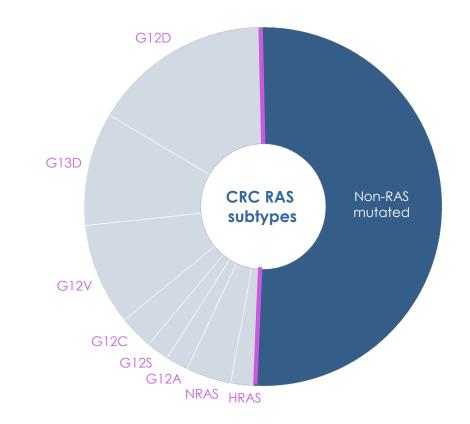
# Ompenaclid is a first-in-class clinical stage SLC6A8 inhibitor with activity in pan-RAS-mutated CRC

Ompenaclid targets an essential dependency in pan-RAS-mutated tumors with potential to address ~45% of CRC patient population

mCRC pan-RAS mutation patients in USA *at peak sales year ~20,000* 

- Clinical activity observed against RAS-mutated CRC tumors (e.g. G12V, G13D, G12D, etc.) outside of G12C mutant cancers
- Orally-administered drug candidate with excellent safety profile observed to date

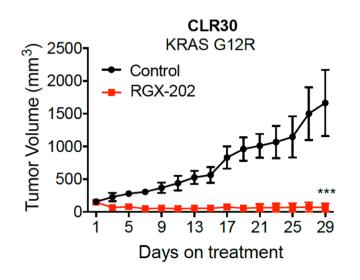
# Potentially addressable CRC patient population (ompenaclid)

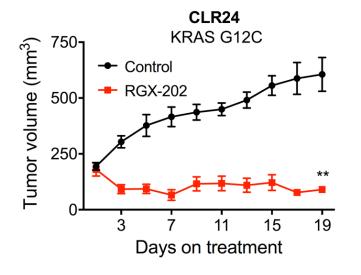


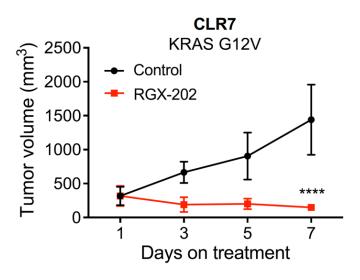


# Ompenaclid has potent anti-tumor activity in CRC models across RAS mutant subtypes

Regressions of large established KRAS mutant CRC tumors treated with ompenaclid (RGX-202) (patient derived xenografts)



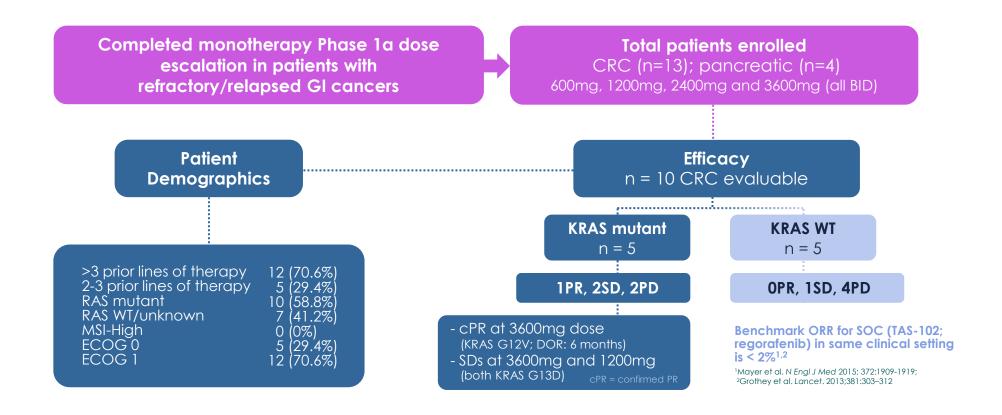




Treatment with control or RGX-202 at 800 mg/kg (daily) started when average tumor size reached 250 mm<sup>3</sup> (CLR7), 200 mm<sup>3</sup> (CLR24) and 150 mm<sup>3</sup> (CLR30), n = 5 per cohort; \*\*\*\*p<0.001 \*\*\*p<0.01



## Ompenaclid monotherapy dose escalation Phase 1 Efficacy Overview



- Safety demonstrated
- Anti-tumor activity observed in KRAS mutant CRC at doses >2400mg BID
- Moved program rapidly into combination 2L setting on strength of preclinical and initial phase 1 monotherapy data



Bendell et al. ASCO (2020)

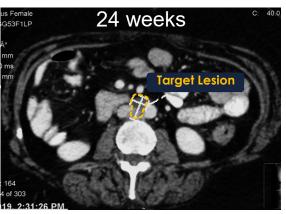
# Ompenaclid single agent clinical activity – Phase 1 data presented at ASCO 2020

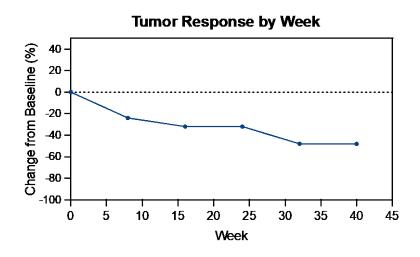


Confirmed Partial Response (PR) with single-agent ompenaclid in 55-year-old woman with KRAS<sup>G12V</sup> mutant colon cancer

- Patient had 6 prior lines of therapies including regimens containing 5-FU, oxaliplatin, irinotecan, and bevacizumab (standard-of-care)
- Treated with ompenaclid monotherapy in Phase 1a dose escalation study
- PR by RECIST 1.1 at 16 weeks (confirmed at 24 weeks) with progression at week 40 with growth of a non-target lesion (6-month duration of response; 48% tumor shrinkage)









## 2L CRC is a setting of high unmet medical need



- The most commonly used standard-of-care (SOC) regimen for 2L metastatic CRC is FOLFIRI\* + bevacizumab
- The benchmark efficacy data for this regimen in published clinical studies 1-5 are:
  - Response Rate (ORR): ~15%
  - Median PFS: ~6 months
- Patients with KRAS mutant tumors trend towards worse outcomes with standard-of-care than those with KRAS WT tumors

\*FOLFIRI: FOL – <u>folinic acid (leucovorin)</u>, F – <u>fluorouracil</u> (5-FU), IRI <u>irinotecan</u> (Camptosar),

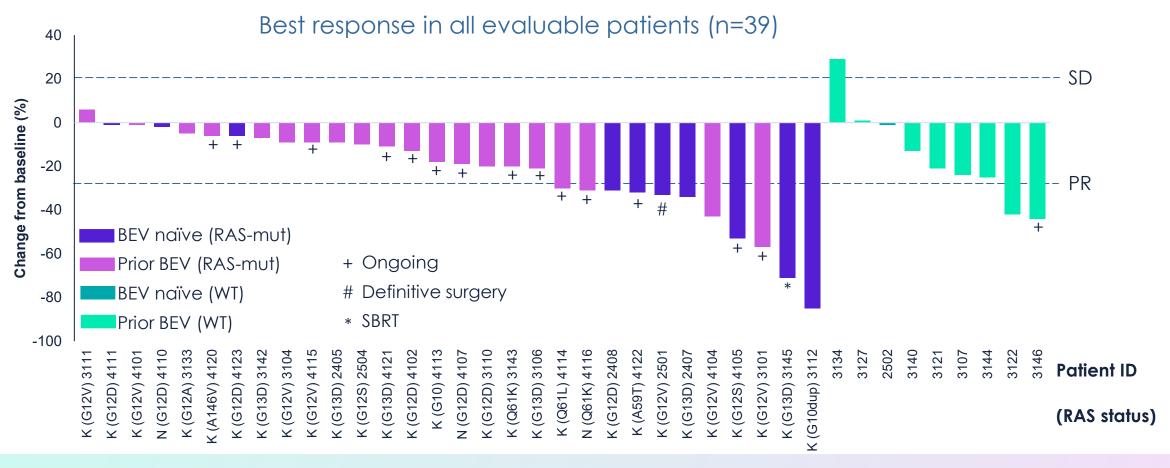
<sup>1</sup>(ML18147 Trial): Bennouna et al. Lancet Oncol. 2013 Jan;14(1):29-37, <sup>2</sup>(TRUSTY Trial): Terazawa et al. ASCO (2021), <sup>3</sup>(SPIRITT Trial): Hecht et al. Clin Colorectal Cancer. 2015 Jun;14(2):72-80, <sup>4</sup>Ottaiano et al. Front. Oncol. 9:766. (2019), <sup>5</sup>Yamada et al. Anticancer Res. 2021 Jan;41(1):533-541



## Efficacy Overview - ESMO (October 2023)

37% ORR, 100% DCR observed in RAS mutant patients





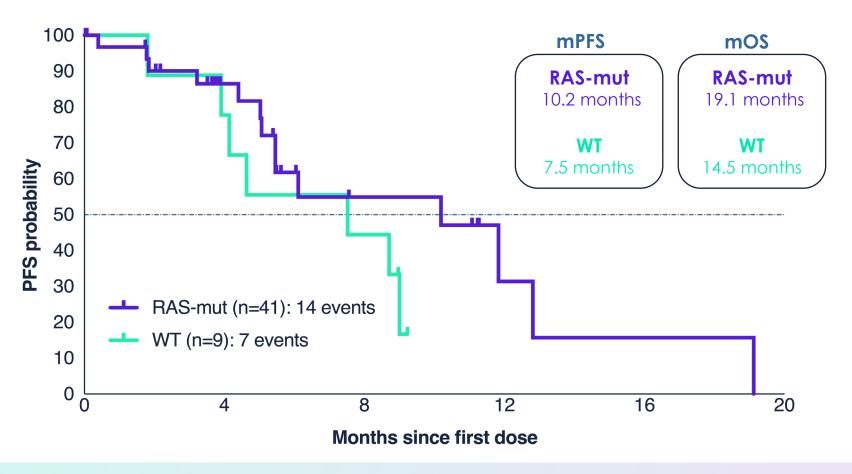
Percentage change from baseline of tumors in evaluable patients. Graph shows patient RAS status (N=NRAS, K=KRAS) and best overall response after ompenaclid + FOLFIRI/BEV treatment. Data cut-off 18 Sep 2023; open database.



#### PFS in RAS-mut vs WT mCRC - ESMO 2023

Ompenaclid + SOC increased PFS and OS in RAS-mut vs WT mCRC.



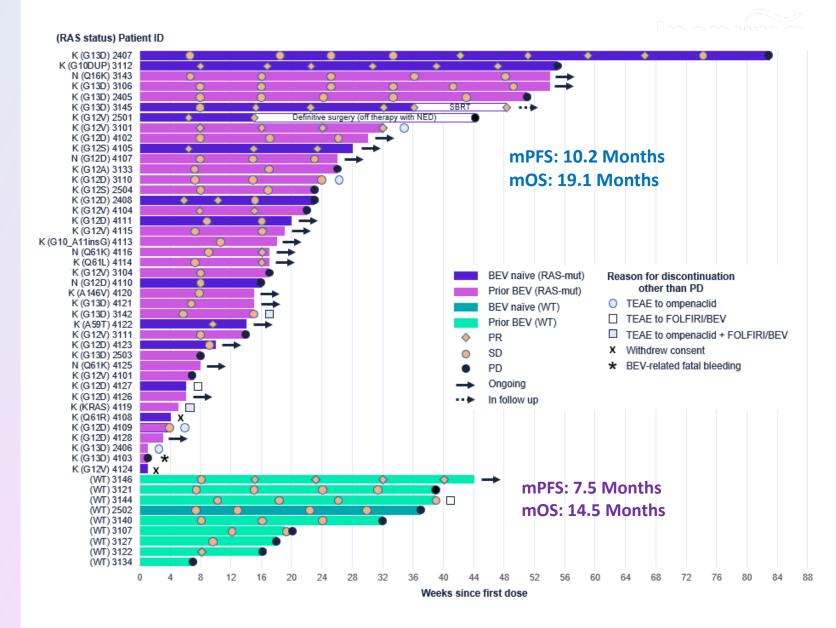


PFS analysis included all patients enrolled (n=50). PFS data are not yet final as of the cut-off date 18 Sep 2023 due to continuing patient follow-up and the limited number of PD events.



# Duration of treatment and response in all patients (n=50) – ESMO 2023

Graph shows patient RAS status (N=NRAS, K=KRAS).
Data cut-off 18 Sep 2023; open database, data subject to change.



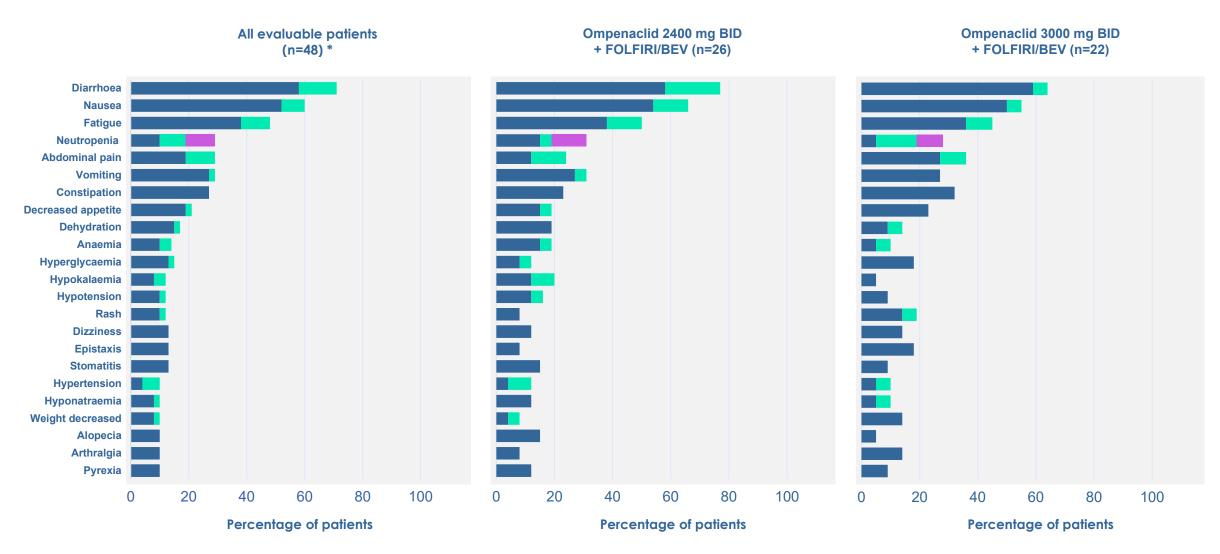


# Safety summary – ompenaclid + FOLFIRI/ bevacizumab (ESMO 2023)

- In the Dose Escalation Phase, there were no DLTs observed for either the 2400 mg BID or 3000 mg
   BID dose with the combination.
- The most common Grade ≤ 2 TEAEs were diarrhea (58%) and nausea (52%).
- The most frequent Grade ≥ 3 TEAEs were neutropenia (18%), diarrhea (13%), fatigue (10%) and abdominal pain (10%).
- The only Grade 5 TEAE was 1 patient (2% of total patients) with an intestinal perforation, deemed related to BEV.
- At the evaluated dose levels, ompenaclid added to FOLFIRI/BEV was well tolerated.



## Ompenaclid Safety – TEAEs occurring in ≥ 10% of patients (ESMO 2023)



<sup>\*</sup> Includes all patients who have discontinued study treatment and patients with study treatment ongoing who have completed ≥ 1 cycle with AE data entered. Data cut-off 18 Sep 2023.





# Ompenaclid + FOLFIRI/ Bev compared to historical SOC with FOLFIRI combined with Bev or other approved anti-angiogenic inhibitors

	Ompenaclid^ (Bevacizumab)	RAISE* (Ramucirumab)	VELOUR** (Aflibercept)	ML18147*** (Bevacizumab)
ORR (WT and RAS)	37% (RAS only)	13%	19%	5%
DCR (WT and RAS)	100% (RAS only)	74%	85%	88%
mPFS (RAS)	10.2 months	5.7 months	Unreported	5.5 months
mOS (RAS)	19.1 months	12.9 months	12.6 months	10.4 months
mPFS (WT and RAS)		5.7 months	6.9 months	5.7 months
mOS (WT and RAS)		13.3 months	13.5 months	11.2 months

<sup>\*</sup> Patients had either prior Oxaliplatin- or Irinotecan- first line therapies and Investigators had the option to use either Oxaliplatin- or Irinotecan-based second line therapies

^ESMO 2023, Hendifar et al.



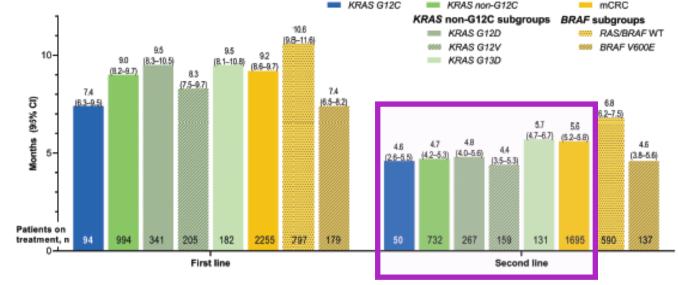
<sup>\*\*</sup>VELOUR Trial: Van Cutsem et al. Journal of Clinical Oncology 2012 30:28, 3499-3506

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>ML18147 Trial: Bennouna et al. Lancet Oncol. 2013, Jan;14(1):29-37,



## Real-world data on PFS in 2nd line RAS mutant mCRC

- Largest and most robust real world / RWE study in over 6000 mCRC patients, with and without RAS mutations
- Treatment patterns are generally comparable in patients in mCRC with or without the KRAS p.G12C mutation and consistent across successive LOT\*
  - Since anti-VEGF therapy introduced over a decade ago in 2L CRC, standard of care unchanged



\* LOT- line(s) of treatment

Fakih et al; Real-World Study of Characteristics and Treatment Outcomes Among Patients with KRAS p.G12C-Mutated or Other KRAS Mutated Metastatic Colorectal Cancer. The Oncologist, 2022, 27, 663–674

- Median (95% CI) rwPFS in second line settings
  - KRAS G12C cohort 4.6 (2.6-5.5) months
  - KRAS non-G12C cohort 4.7 (4.2-5.3) months
  - mCRC overall cohort 5.6 (5.2-5.8) months

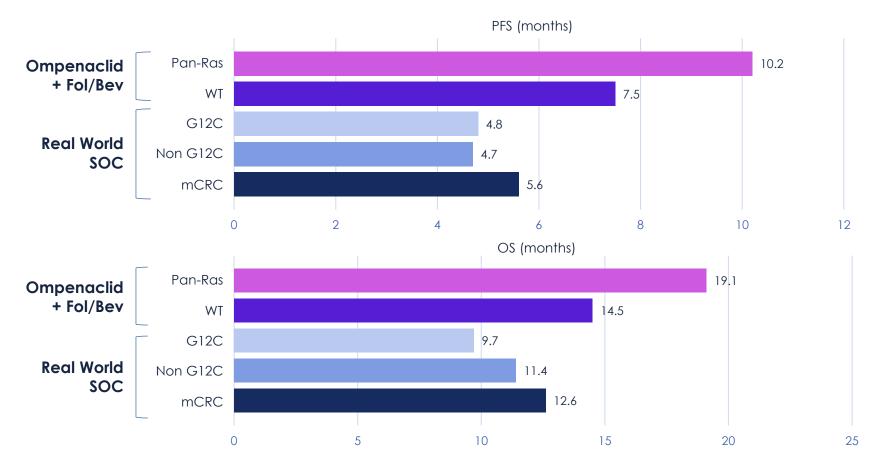
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B. Median rwPFS



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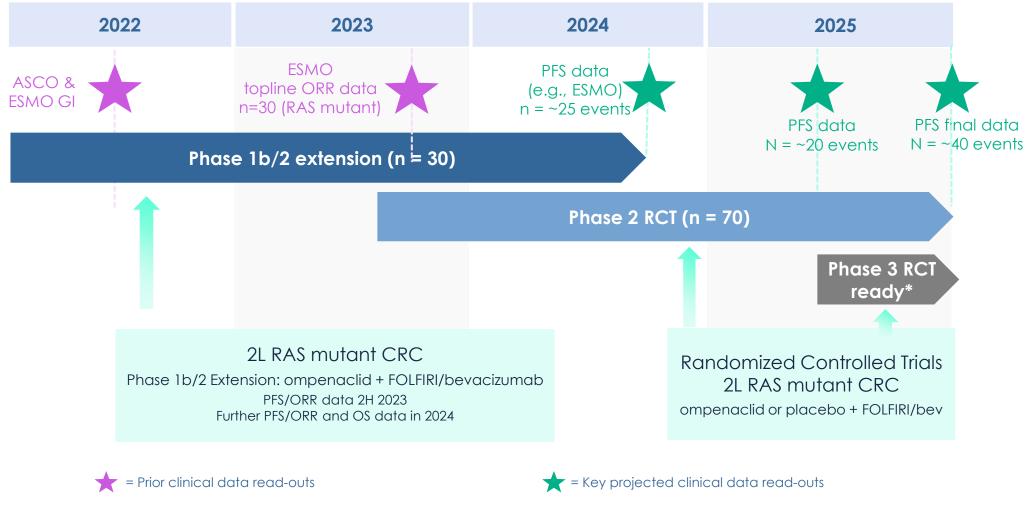
#### Ompenaclid phase 1b/2 compared to real world data (Fakih et al)





# Projected clinical data read-outs for ompenaclid







# Licensing Agreement with Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany

Announced in January 2024 to Accelerate the Global Development of Ompenaclid

Inspirna Receives \$45M Upfront Payment



- Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany receives exclusive license to ompenaclid outside of US
  - Option to co-develop and co-promote ompenaclid in US
- Further collaboration focused on follow-on compounds targeting \$LC6a8
  - Inspirna will lead pre-IND activities, and retain codevelopment/co-commercialization rights in US
- Inspirna receives \$45M upfront payment
  - Eligible to receive milestone payments with tiered royalty rates in low teens on net sales outside of US, upon achievement of certain development and sales milestones for ompenaclid
  - Eligible to receive development, regulatory and sales milestone payments for each follow-on compound targeting SLC6A8, along with up to double-digit royalties on net sales outside of US



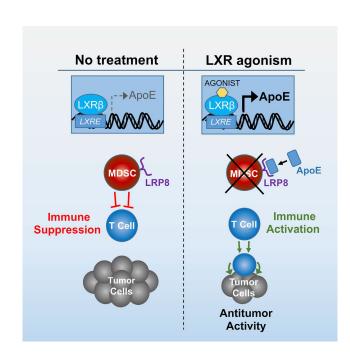


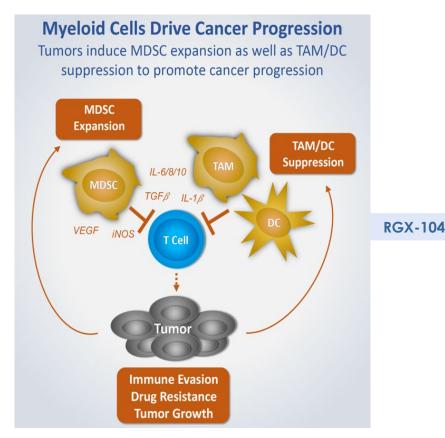
# Abequolixron (RGX-104)

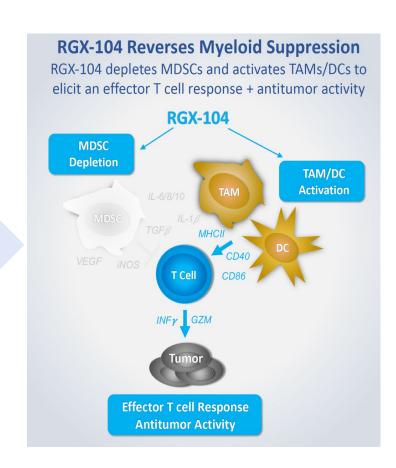
- Potent small molecule LXR beta selective agonist that activates APOE to target immune-suppressive tumor myeloid cells, while also inhibiting tumor angiogenesis
- Monotherapy activity in lung cancer demonstrated during Phase 1
- Clinical activity in combination with docetaxel demonstrated in an ongoing Phase 1b/2 clinical trial in patients with non-small cell lung cancer and small-cell lung cancer
- Compound was originally discovered by GlaxoSmithKline for the treatment of cardiovascular disease and exclusively licensed to Inspirna
- Ongoing collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb to evaluate abequolixron in combination with ipilimumab for the treatment of endometrial cancer
- Issued global patent protection to 2040



# RGX-104 is a first-in-class clinically active LXR agonist that reverses myeloid suppression by targeting ApoE



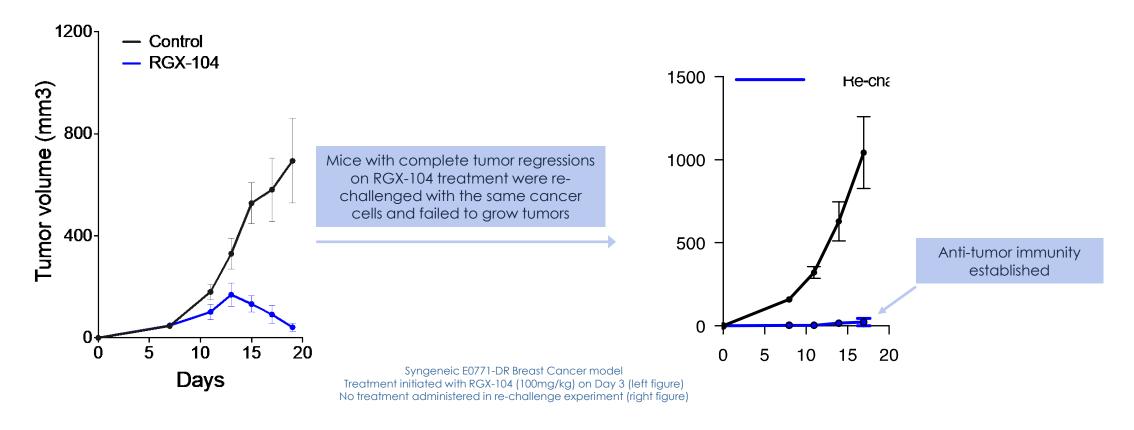






# RGX-104 induces anti-tumor immunity in tumor models

RGX-104 has demonstrated potent immune-modulating and anti-tumor activity in numerous preclinical tumor models spanning different tumor types \* 1-6





<sup>\* 1.</sup> Tavazoie M et al. Cell. 2018 Feb 8;172(4):825-840, 2. Mita M et al. ASCO (2018), 3. Mita M et al. AACR II (2020), 4. Lim E et al. AACR I (2020), 5. Liang H. Biochem Biophys Res Commun. 2020 Jul 23;528(2):330-335, 6. Wan d et al. J Control Release. 2020 Jan 10;317:43-56

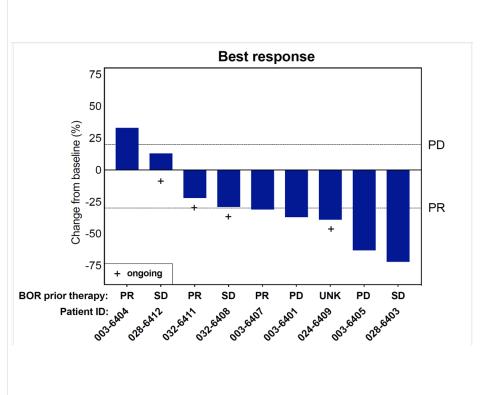
## Clinical Activity Observed in 2/3L NSCLC (RGX-104 + docetaxel)

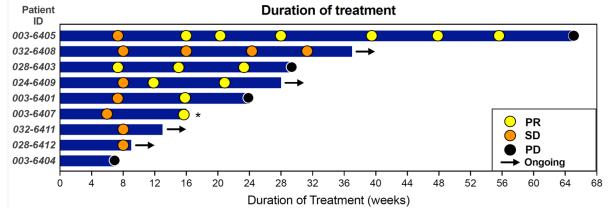


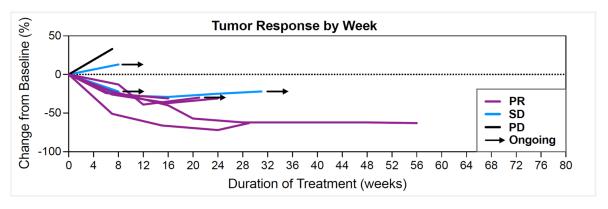
#### Benchmark Data for 2/3L NSCLC: From Lung-MAP \$1800A Trial

- 166 patients randomized to Pembro +Ramucirumab(R) vs SOC (IC of docetaxel+R; docetaxel, pemetrexed, gemcitabine)
- mOS 14.5 mo for P+R vs 11.6 mo for SOC (significant);
- mPFS 4.5 mo for P+R vs 5.2 mo for SOC arm (NS);
- ORR 22% for P+R vs 28% SOC, respectively (NS)

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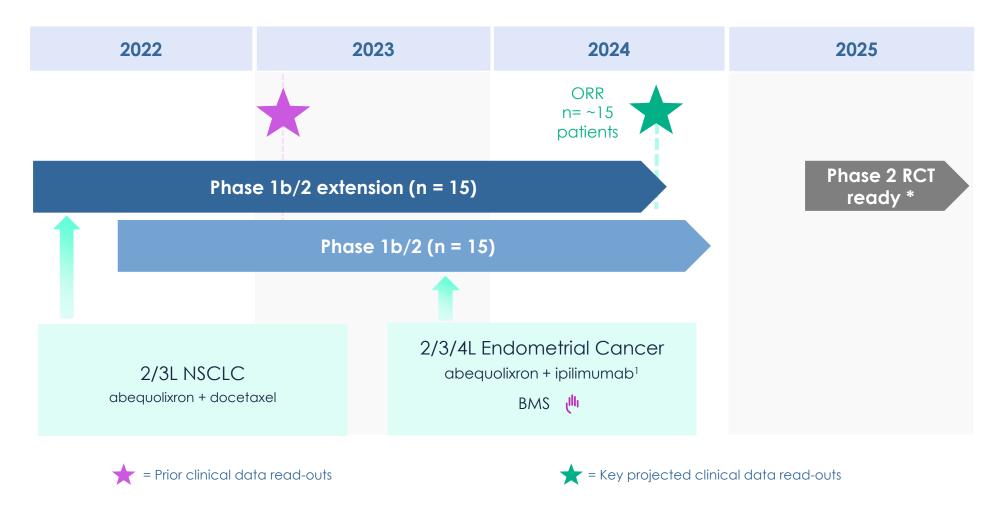
Patients were evaluable for RECIST 1.1 response if they completed at least one treatment cycle and had at least one follow-up scan for RECIST 1.1 assessment. 3 patients were not evaluable for ORR response: 024-6402 – PI decision; 001-6406, baseline scans only and 6 weeks on treatment. 038-6410 – Withdrew consent (1 week on treatment)

\*Patient discontinued due to AE's weight loss and persistent nausea. 028-6403 had PD due to CNS lesions



# Projected clinical data read-outs for abequolixron









### RGX-019 ADC

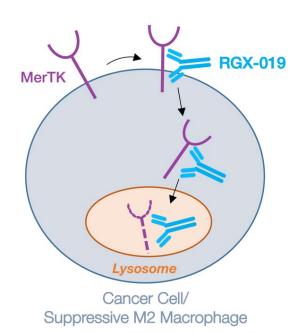
- Humanized anti-MERTK monoclonal IgG1 antibody being developed as an antibody-drug conjugate (ADC)
- MERTK is over-expressed in several solid and liquid cancers with limited expression on healthy tissues
- RGX-019 ADC binds to a unique epitope that triggers MERTK receptor internalization and partial agonist activity enabling selective delivery of toxic payload to MERTK expressing cancer cells
- Partial agonist activity provides safety advantage over other MERTK targeting agents that have shown retinal toxicity
- Issued composition-of-matter patent protection on RGX-019 ADC (2040 expiration)



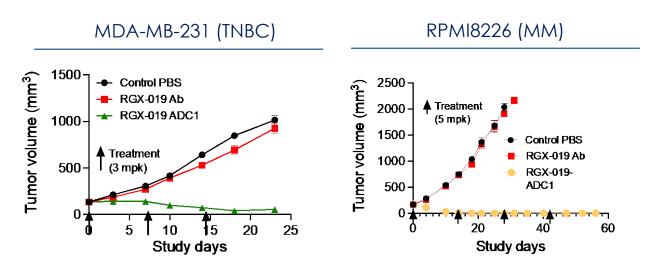
## RGX-019 ADC is a novel MERTK targeting antibody-drug conjugate

MERTK is selectively over-expressed in multiple solid and liquid cancers

# RGX-019 internalizes surface MERTK receptors on cancer cells and immune-suppressive M2 TAMs



# RGX-019 ADC (MMAE) has potent *in vivo* anti-tumor activity in select solid and liquid tumor models



MDA-MB-231 cells were injected into the 4<sup>th</sup> mammary fat pad of Athymic nude mice. Treatment with indicated amounts of control (PBS), RGX-019 or RGX-019-ADC started when tumors reached ~150mm<sup>3</sup>; n=8-10. RPMI cells were injected subcutaneously into NOD-SCID mice,



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## Summary

- Inspirna is a clinical stage biotechnology company headquartered in New York City that is developing first-in-class novel therapeutics to treat cancer types of high-unmet medical need
- Our miRNA-DRIVEr\* platform has delivered novel targets that are now being evaluated in tumor types
  that present significant commercial opportunities with multiple clinical data catalysts in the next 12-18
  months
  - Lead candidate ompenaclid is a novel small molecule that inhibits SLC6A8 with activity in patients with RAS mutant colorectal cancer, currently in Phase 2 development and Phase 3 ready by 2025
  - Second program abequolixron is a potent small molecule LXR beta selective agonist that activates APOE currently in Phase 1b/2 development for lung cancer and endometrial cancer
  - RGX-019 ADC is a novel MERTK targeting antibody-drug conjugate targeting multiple MERTK high tumor types
- Led by an experienced management team, supported by top-tier institutional investors, collaborators and advisors

