Translating preclinical findings into clinical biomarker assays to support the Phase I/II study of BT7480, a Bicycle tumor-targeted immune cell agonist®

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Bicycles are a new therapeutic modality

highly constrained, fully synthetic bicyclic peptides with antibody-like affinity and target selectivity



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	Bicycle®	Small molecule	Antibody	
Small size	Yes 1.5 to 2 kDa	Yes <0.8 kDa	No >150 kDa	
Specificity	High	Low	Multiple	
Chemical synthesis (NCEs)	Yes	Yes	No	
Rapid tissue penetration	Yes	Yes	No	
Complex protein targets druggable	Yes	Limited	Yes	
Route of elimination	Renal	Liver	Liver	

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Bicycle's robust proprietary and partnered pipeline

Target / Product	Partner / Sponsor	Indication	Modality	Preclinical	IND-enabling	Phase 1	Expansion
Internal Programs							
BT5528 (EphA2)		Oncology	Bicycle [®] Toxin Conjugate				
BT8009 (Nectin-4)		Oncology	Bicycle [®] Toxin Conjugate				
BT7480 (Nectin-4/CD137)		Immuno-oncology	Bicycle TICA [®]				
BT7455 (EphA2/CD137)		Immuno-oncology	Bicycle TICA [®]				
Partnered Programs							
THR-149 (Kallikrein inhibitor)	O X U R I O N°	Ophthalmology					
BT1718 (MT1-MMP)	CANCER RESEARCH UK	Oncology	Bicycle [®] Toxin Conjugate				
Undisclosed	Genentech	Immuno-oncology					
Novel anti-infectives	Innovate UK	Anti-infectives					
Novel CNS targets		CNS					
Novel neuromuscular targets	IONIS	Neuromuscular					

Bicycle TICA[®] – tumor-targeted immune cell agonists delivers immune agonism to tumors



CD137 validated target Signal 2 costimulatory receptor – drives T-cell function and survival, also expressed on NK cells and myeloid cells

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First Bicycle TICA® entered Phase 1 in Nov 2021 – BT7480

- Immune activator effector arm = CD137 agonist
 - Costimulatory receptor drives T cell function and survival, also expressed on NK cells & myeloid cells
- Tumor antigen binder arm = **Nectin-4**
 - Highly expressed in a wide range of solid tumor indications including breast, bladder, head & neck, esophageal, ovarian, and lung cancer^{1,2}
- Many agents in development now in the field none yet fully meet design goals dictated by the biology
 - Immune activity localized to the tumor
 - Rapid onset & controllable duration of action
 - No Fc interactions to avoid liver toxicity



• Potential first-in-class tumor-targeted CD137 therapeutic



Open access

^{Tournal for} ImmunoTherapy of Cancer BT7480, a novel fully synthetic *Bicycle* tumor-targeted immune cell agonistTM (*Bicycle* TICATM) induces tumor localized CD137 agonism

Original research

BT7480 activity is dependent on Nectin-4, induces complete responses & memory via differentiated MoA in pre-clinical studies



Hurov, K., et al. Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer. 2021

Translating preclinical findings into meaningful biomarker strategies to inform clinical development

What is the most efficient route to clinical PoC?



How to monitor biology in patients confidently? Which types of samples/technologies?



On track as anticipated based on PK/PD model?



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BT7480 now being tested in cancer patients in an innovative biomarker-enabled Phase 1 trial

suite of custom built, fit-for-purpose assays to inform clinical decision making



Development of 19-plex spatial proteomic assay using proprietary Bicycle Nectin-4 mAb and MultiOmyx[™] technology



Allows for simultaneously quantification of Nectin-4+ and CD137+ cells, immune cell subsets of interest and their spatial topography in a single FFPE sample!

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Spatial proteomic profiling of Nectin-4+ and CD137+ cells using MultiOmyx[™] technology



- Each FFPE slide was presented to a pathologist for tissue annotation and ROI selection
- Proprietary deep learning-based workflows were applied to identify stroma and tumor regions, individual cells and perform cell classification for phenotypes of interest



A single ROI from a representative HNSCC sample is shown. Tumor and stroma regions were identified using a PanCK and DAPI mask respectively.

Bicycle[®] Tumor samples analyzed procured from TriStar Technology Group

Co-expression of CD137 and Nectin-4 proteins detected in >50% cancer samples tested – good concordance with RNA

results help support prioritization of indications for clinical development

	transcriptomic		proteomic		
Indication	TCGA Total samples (N)	% Nectin-4/CD137+ (of samples with > average RNA expression)	MultiOmyx Total samples (N)	% Nectin-4/CD137+ (of samples with > 1% target+ cells)	
Head & Neck	520	78.5	5	100	
Lung (all)	1018	74.4	19	73.7	
Lung adeno	517	75.5	8	75	
Lung squam	501	73.3	10	70	
Breast	1093	50.3	14	57.1	

Frequency of samples co-expressing Nectin-4 and CD137 at the protein level (>1% positive cells) is shown Tumor samples proteomically analyzed procured from TriStar Technology Group

Majority of CD137+ immune cells in Nectin-4-expressing tumors are T cells and macrophages





 Nearest neighbor analysis indicates CD137+ immune cells were detected within 150 microns of Nectin-4+ tumor cells across indications analyzed



Bicycle[®] Tumor samples analyzed procured from TriStar Technology Group

Development of a 14-plex CD137 RO flow cytometry assay to monitor target engagement in patients' blood

- Receptor occupancy = on-cell competition binding assay to detect drug bound to target, associated with PD and efficacy signals
- Challenges in building a CD137 RO assay
 - CD137 is dynamically expressed on small subset of circulating immune cells
 - Limited commercial CD137 reagents available
 - Clinical sample matrix and processing may impact drug binding/target expression
- Solution? Use Bicycles as reagents to build clinical assay!
- Proprietary assay, differentiator among other CD137 agonists in the clinic
- Allows us to monitor target engagement and characterize immune cell types in a single blood sample



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Bicycle CD137 RO flow cytometry panel testing across clinically-relevant sample matrices

sample stability, viability, batch-ability, customs suitability, bicycle interaction, antigen stability – differ among sample matrices



Which will give best quality data for Bicycle TICA®?

CPT selected as most optimal sample matrix

least amount of background, least sample variability, highest viability, & detection of CD137+ cells

Blood samples analyzed sourced from healthy volunteers

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Bicycle CD137 RO assay is functional in human blood, suitable for clinical testing purposes



CD137 Bicycle Dimer

% TE = $(1-(\Delta TE \text{ post-dose}/\Delta TE \text{ pre-dose}))*100$ $\Delta TE = \%CD137+Bicycle+$ full stain panel - %CD137+Bicycle+ FMX panel

- Ex vivo RO assessments in healthy human blood collected in CPT demonstrated dose-dependent detection of CD137 RO by CD137 *Bicycle* TICA[®]
- pretreated with 10nM CD137 Bicycle TICA[®] shown

- Method optimization resulted in consistent detection of CD137 RO by CD137 *Bicycle* TICA[®] and >1000 CD137+ cells with >70% viability in unstimulated healthy and cancer blood samples
- pretreated with 10nM CD137 *Bicycle* TICA[®] shown

Bicycle Blood samples analyzed sourced from healthy or non-clinical cancer patient volunteers

CD137 Bicycle[®] dimer detects CD137+ cells that are largely memory T cells in human blood



BT7480 biomarker assay development summary

- BT7480 is a Nectin-4 dependent CD137 agonist with high biological potency and differentiated MoA leading to robust and durable anti-tumor responses in preclinical mouse models
- BT7480 Ph1/2 trial initiated in Q4-2021 and is currently active (NCT05163041) innovative biomarker-enabled trial
- Assay development studies support the utility of the Bicycle MultiOmyx[™] assay to monitor Nectin-4 and CD137 protein expression and potentially demonstrate proof-of-mechanism in patient tumors
- Results demonstrate the first clinical flow cytometry assay using fluorescently labelled *Bicycle®* reagents and supports the utility of the *Bicycle®* CD137 RO assay to monitor target engagement in the BT7480 first-in-human clinical trial

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Lowering barriers to assay translatability to the clinic

- Robust clinical biomarker strategies critically rely on reliable preclinical data packages
- Testing across sample matrices, tumor/sample types and ability to generate novel reagents enables ability to build clinically relevant biomarker assays
- Precious samples prioritize readouts with clear hypotheses and clinicallyexperienced sample processing methods
- Regularly survey new approaches that yield high amount of data with low sample input & limited burden to patients
- Strong collaborations with preclinical, clinical operations/development, 3rd party labs needed for success

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