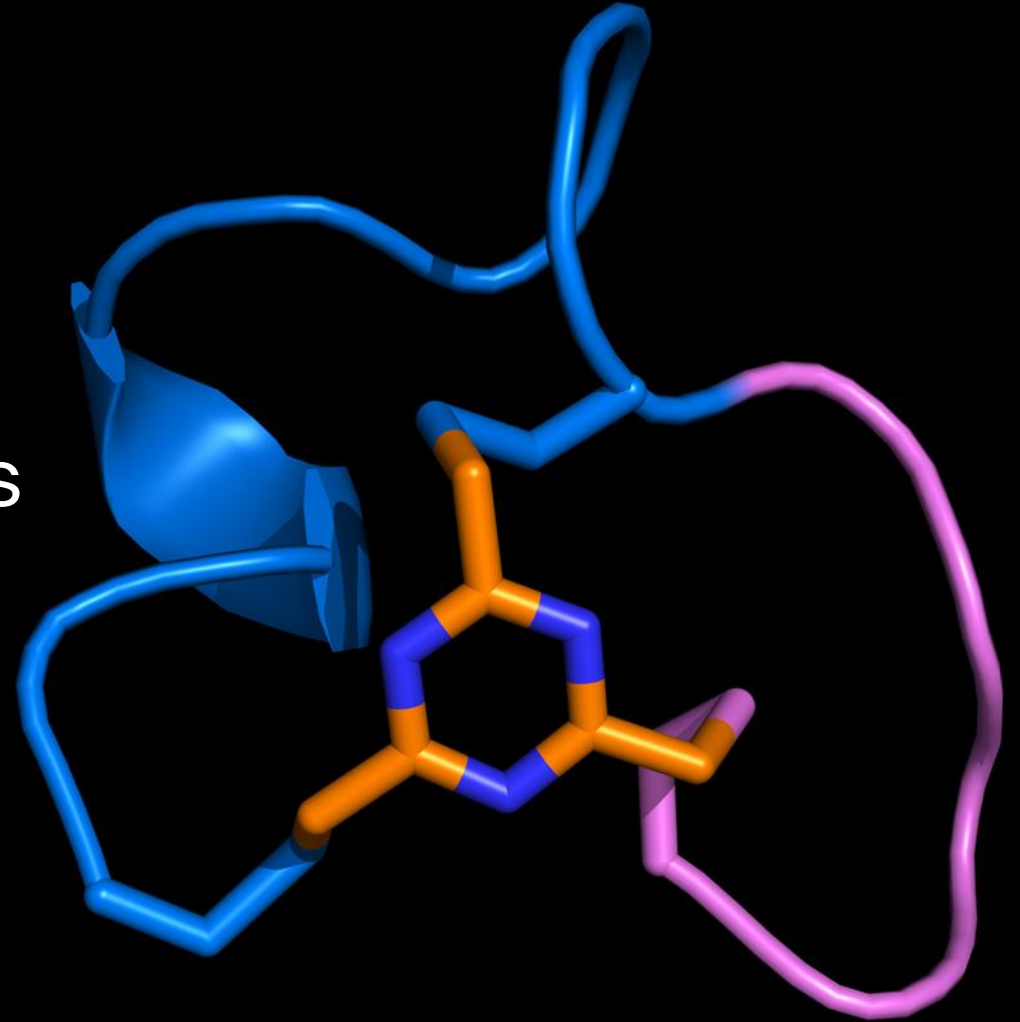


# ***Bicycles* - a modality for Tumor-Targeted Immune Cell Agonism**

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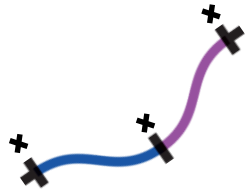
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- ▶ Clinical-stage biopharma company pioneering Bicycles, a new differentiated class of innovative medicines (Founded by Sir Greg Winter & Prof. Christian Heinis)
- ▶ Based in Cambridge (UK) & Boston (USA), 236 FTEs (Dec 31 2022)

Target / Product	Partner/Sponsor	Indication	Modality	Preclinical	IND-enabling	Phase I	Phase II/Expansion	Phase III
<b>Internal Programs</b>								
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™					
Undisclosed		Radiopharmaceutical	Bicycle® Radio Conjugate					
<b>Partnered Programs</b>								
THR-149 (Kallikrein inhibitor)		Ophthalmology						
BT1718 (MT1-MMP)		Oncology	Bicycle® Toxin Conjugate					
BT7401 (multivalent CD137 system agonist)		Immuno-oncology						
Undisclosed		Immuno-oncology						
Novel anti-infectives		Anti-infectives						
Novel CNS targets		CNS						
Novel neuromuscular targets		Neuromuscular						
Undisclosed		Radiopharmaceutical	Bicycle® Radio Conjugate					
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# Bicycle<sup>®</sup> - a unique & disruptive therapeutic modality



Short  
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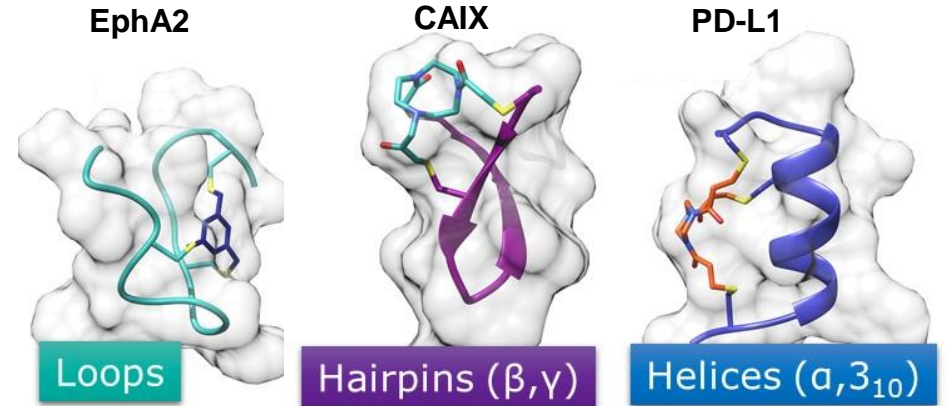
Scaffold



▶ **High affinity and selectivity in a small, fully synthetic format**



## ▶ Biologically relevant tertiary structures

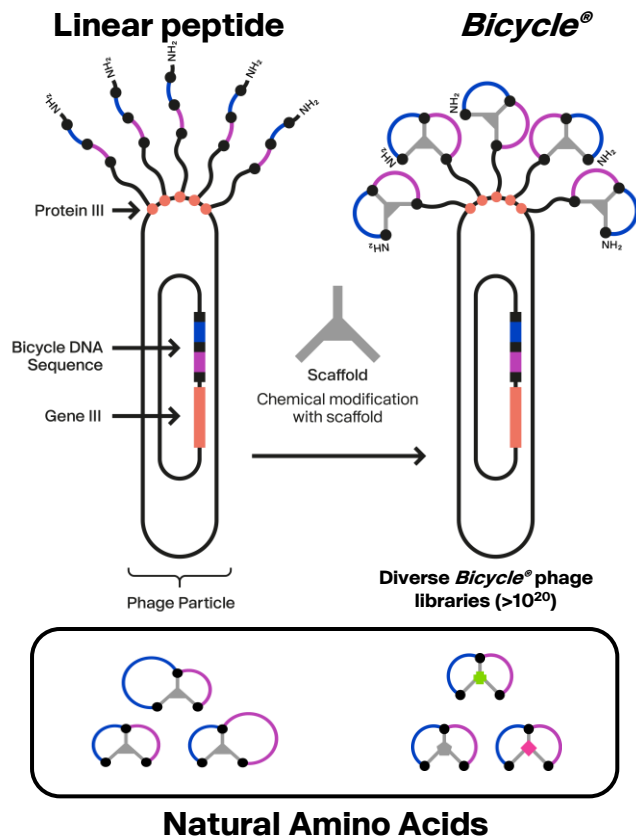


## ▶ Favorable drug-like properties

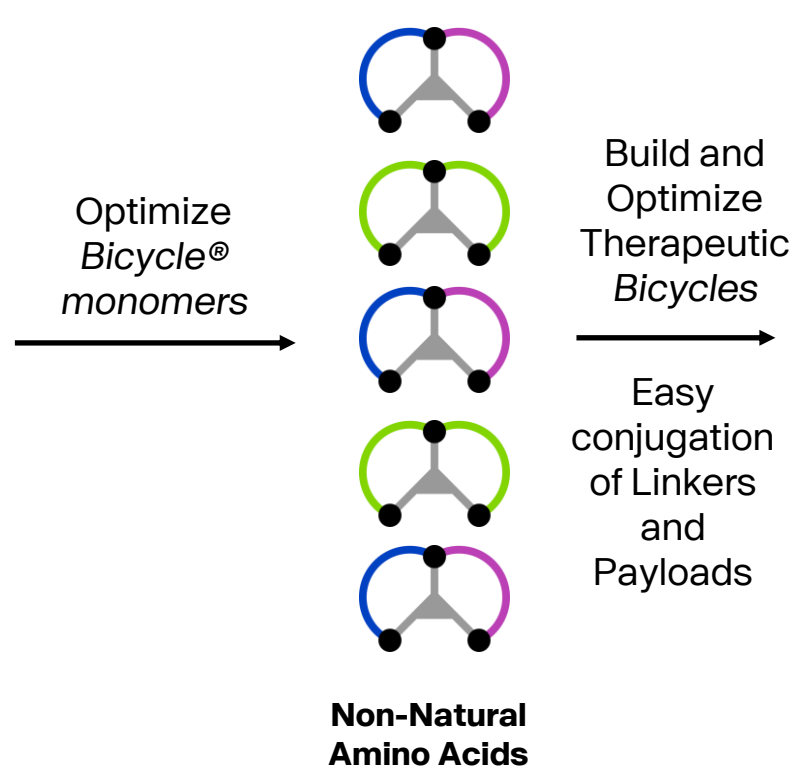
Small size (1.5-2 kDa)
High specificity
Chemical synthesis (NCEs)
Rapid tissue penetration
Complex protein targets druggable
Multiple routes of administration
Renal route of elimination
Not immunogenic

# ***Bicycle*<sup>®</sup> platform delivers a toolkit of building blocks to create novel medicines**

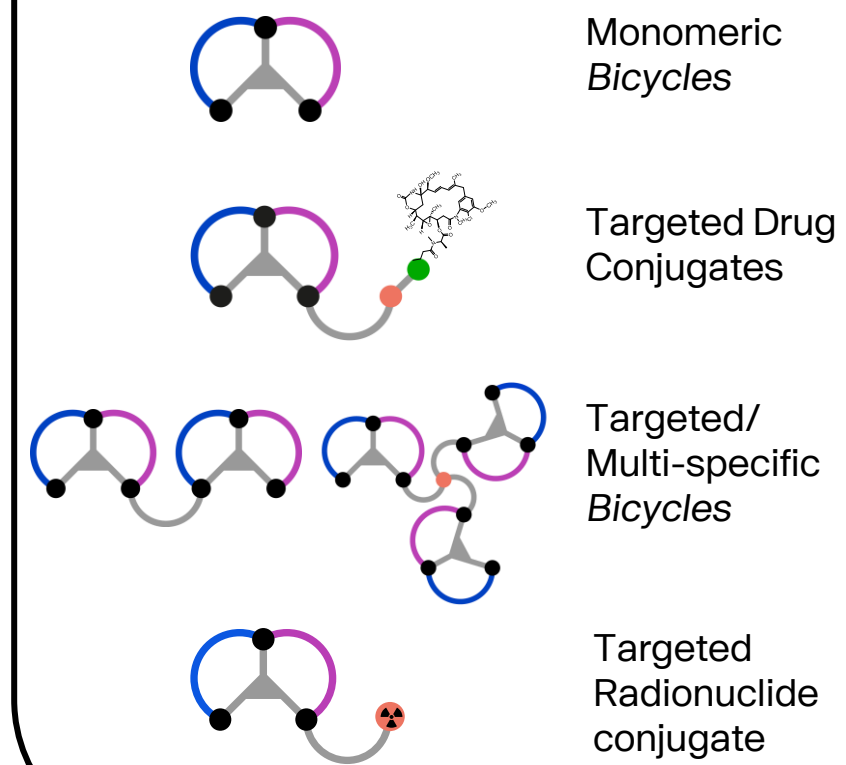
## ***Bicycle*<sup>®</sup> Phage Display - Discovery**



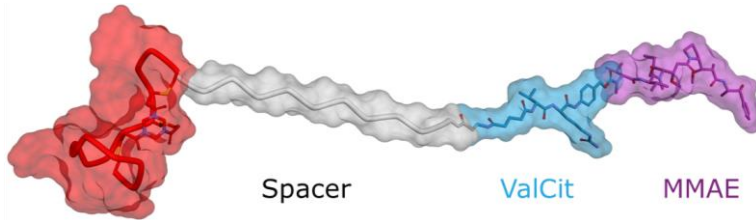
## **Peptide & Medicinal Chemistry**



## **Potential *Bicycle*<sup>®</sup> Medicines**



# Bicycle Therapeutics – creating versatile new precision-guided medicines with potential to fill major gaps in cancer therapy

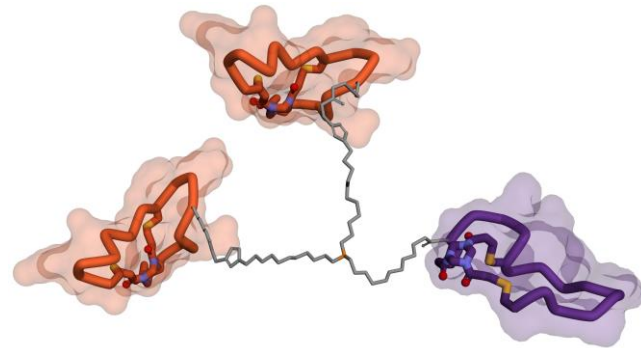


## ▶ **Bicycle Toxin Conjugates<sup>®</sup> (BTCs)**

- Precision delivery of MMAE - BT8009 & BT5528
- Fast tissue distribution and clearance
- Emerging clinical data

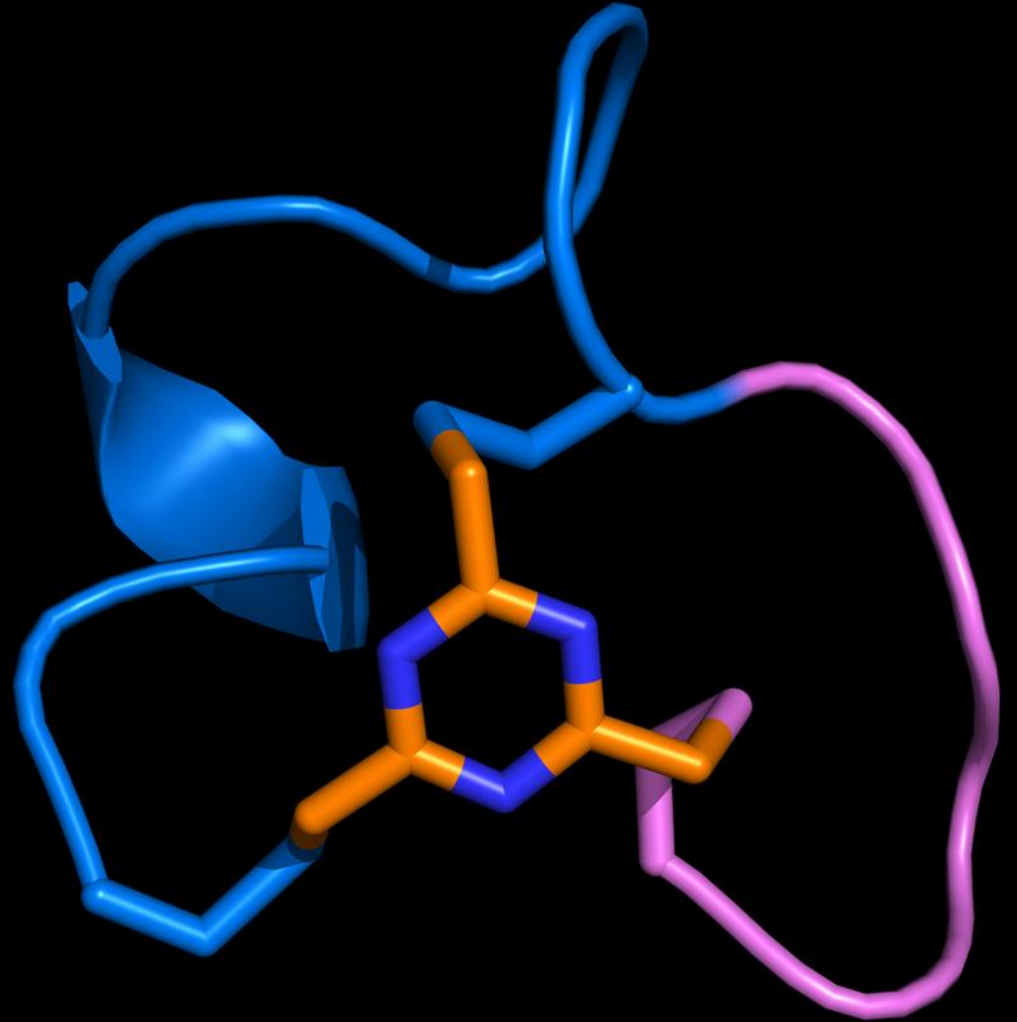
## ▶ **Bicycle Tumor-Targeted Immune Cell Agonist<sup>®</sup> (TICAs)**

- Rapid, local and controlled immune agonism
- Pathfinder molecule for CD137 – BT7480 in Phase I
- Pathfinder molecule for NKp46 – preclinical stage



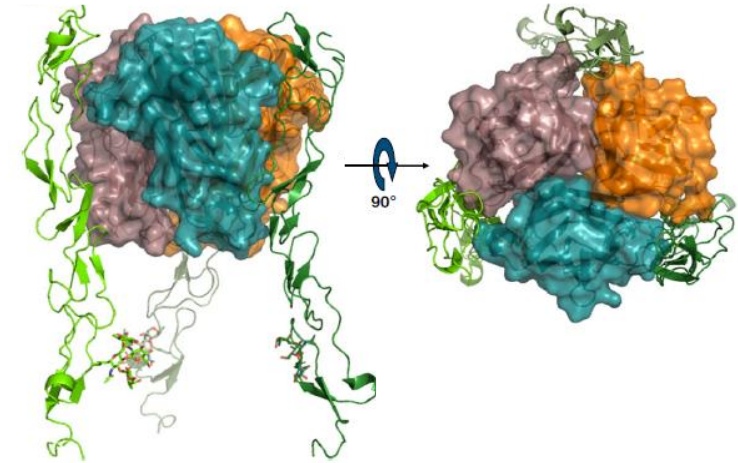
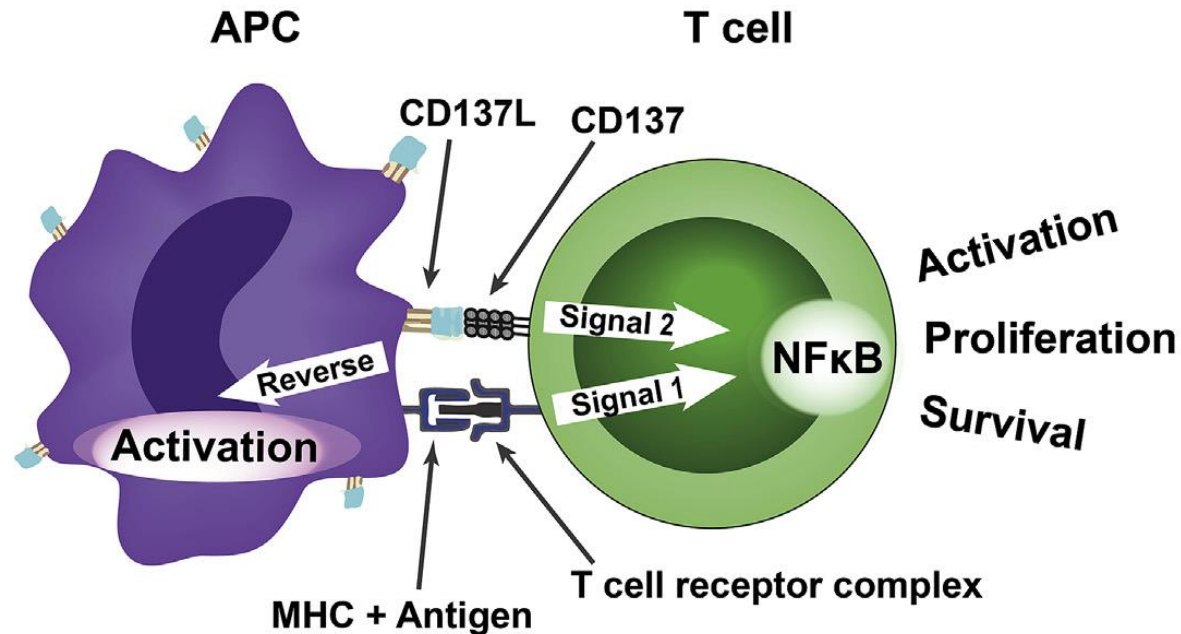
# ***Bicycle***<sup>®</sup> precision-guided immune activation

Immune cell receptor = CD137



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# CD137 (4-1BB) is an immune co-stimulatory receptor with high therapeutic potential in cancer

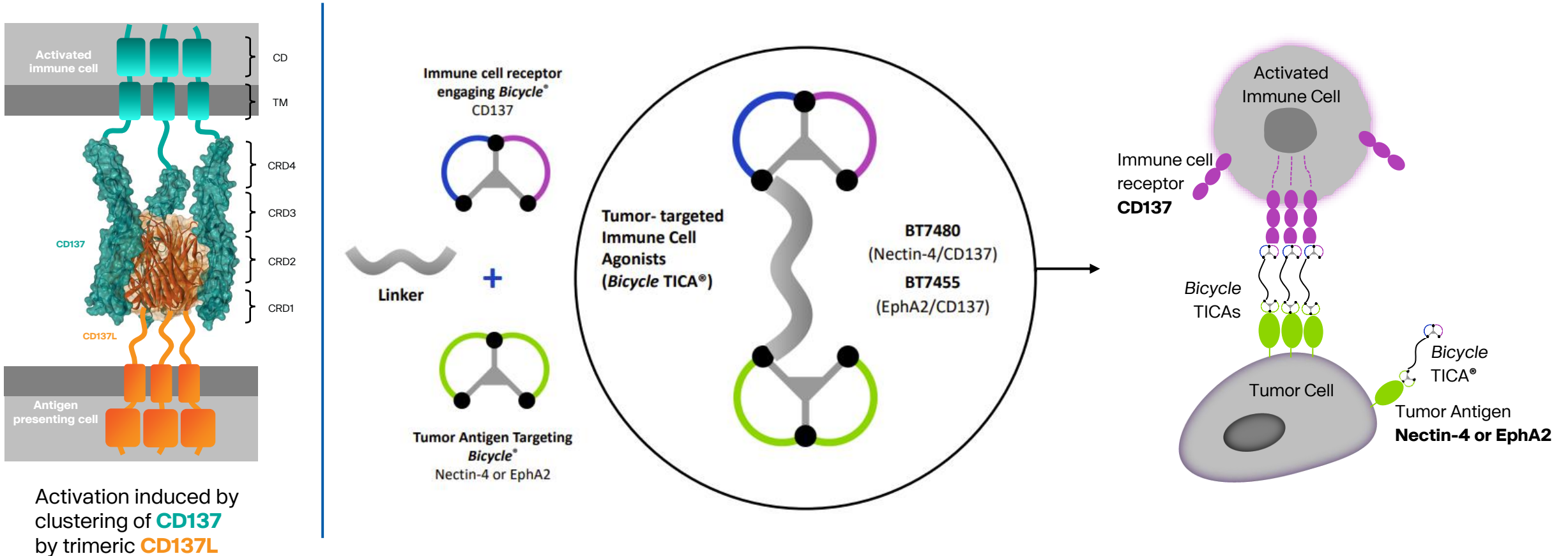


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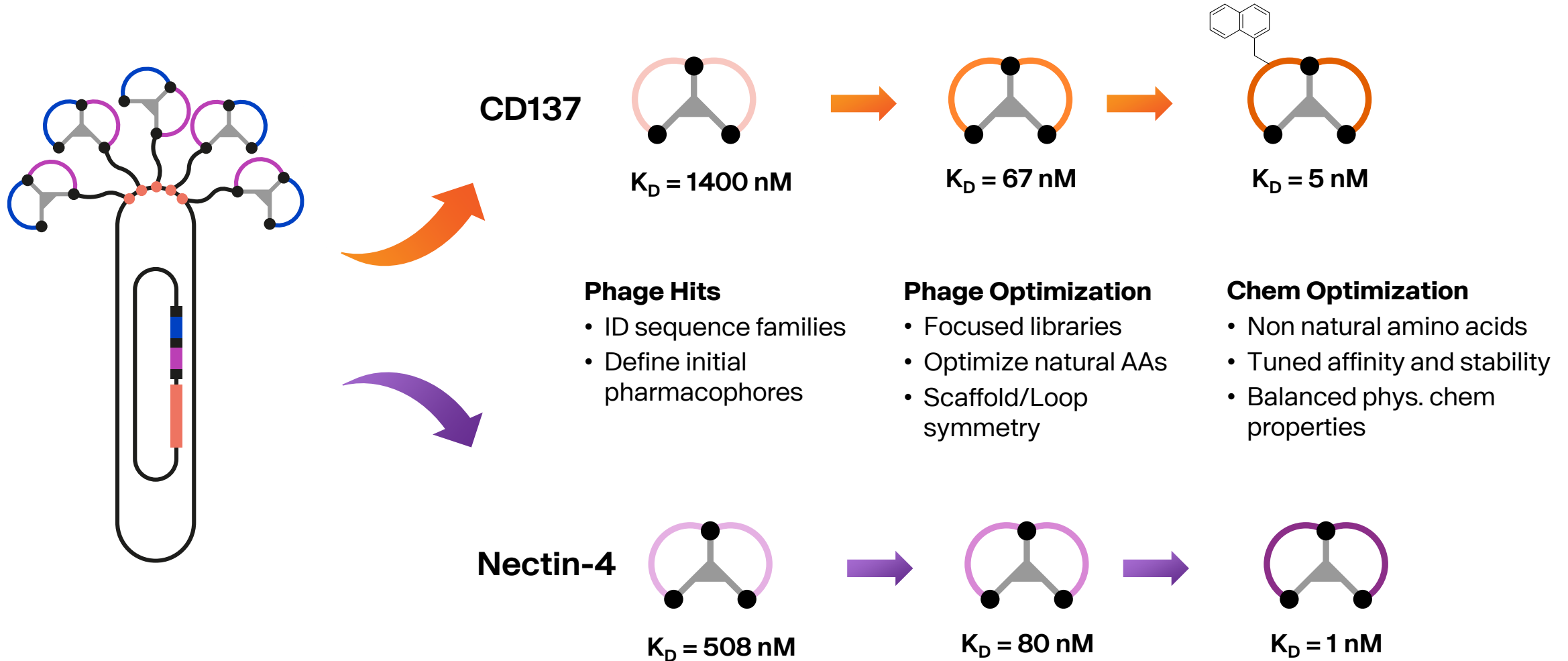
- ▶ Current antibody clinical trials have limited efficacy or reveal hepatic toxicity risks
- ▶ Tumor-Targeted Immune Cell Agonist (TICA) approach - meets design goal dictated by biology



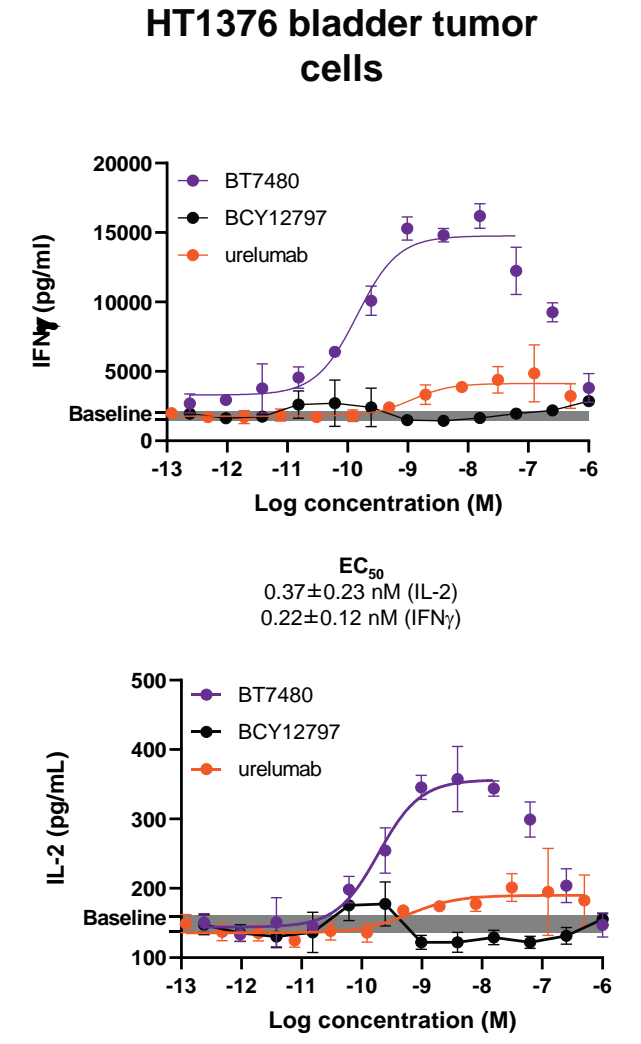
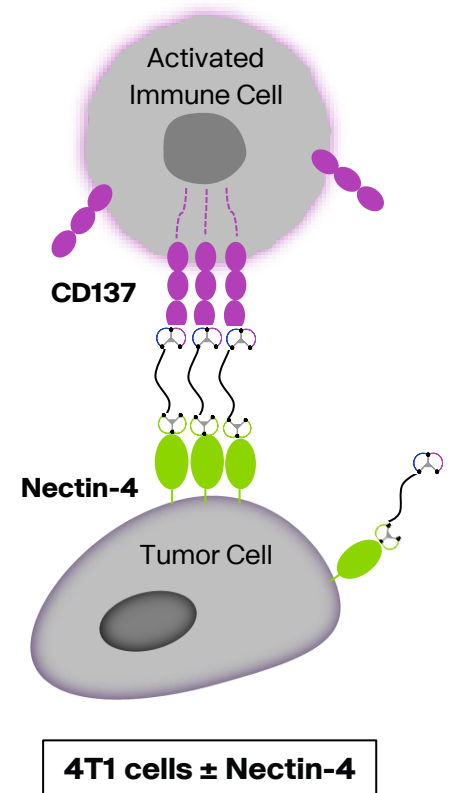
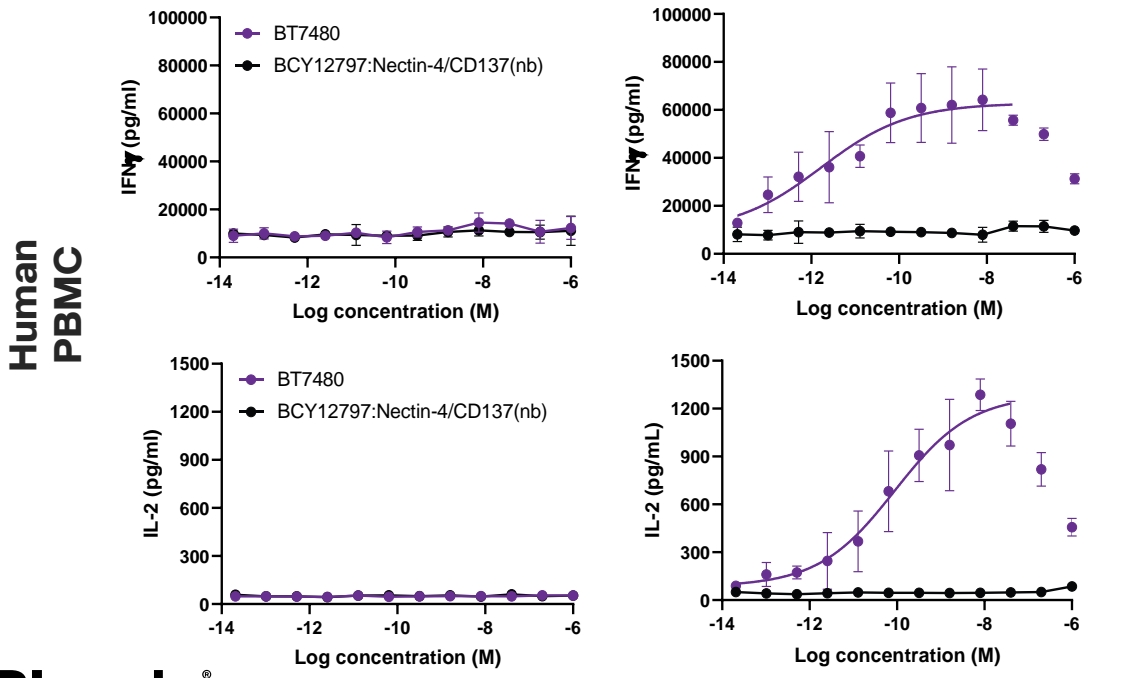
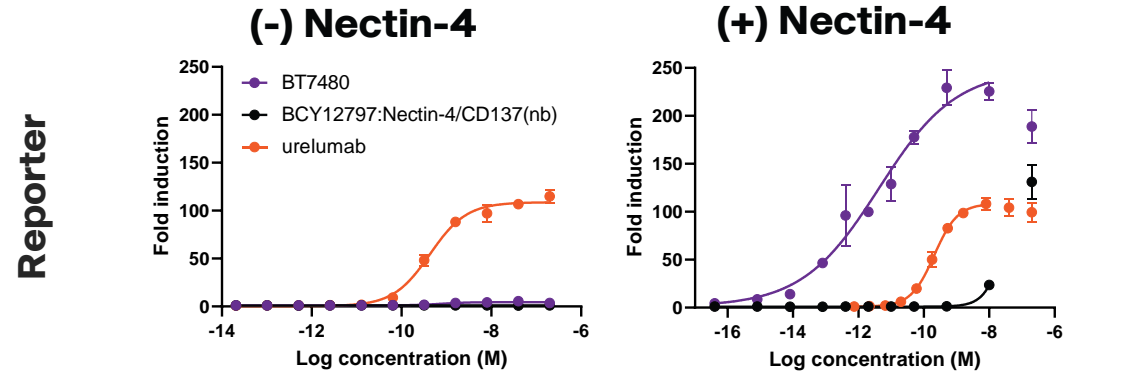
# ***Bicycle* TICA<sup>®</sup> – tumor-targeted immune cell agonists delivers immune agonism to tumors**



# CD137 and Nectin-4 *Bicycles*: discovery and optimization by phage display and chemistry

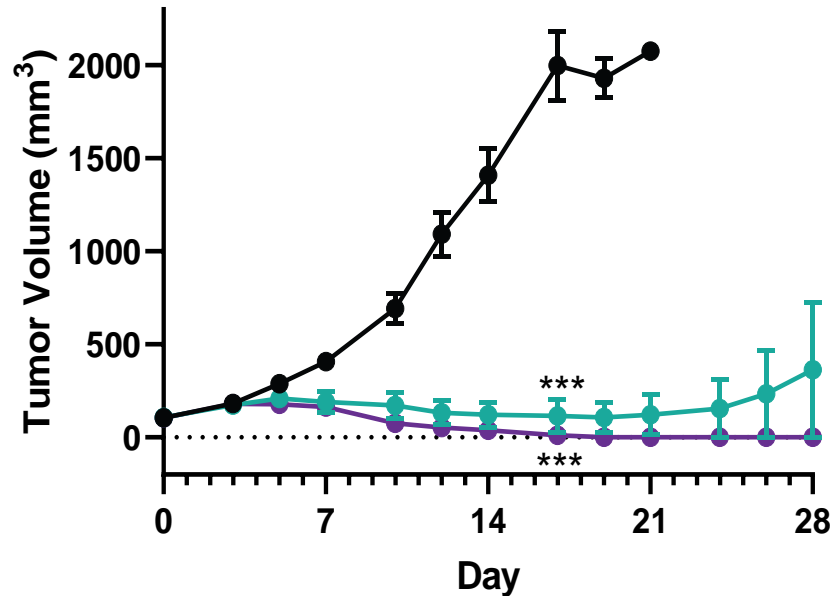


# BT7480 functional activity is dependent on Nectin-4 in cell-based assays *in vitro*



# BT7480 induces complete responses and memory *in vivo*

MC38-Nectin-4 in huCD137-C57Bl/6

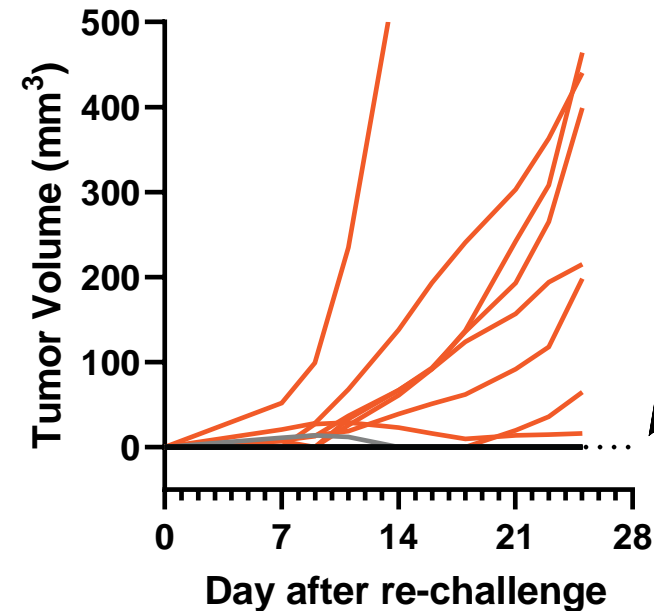


- Vehicle (0/6 CRs)
- BT7480 5 mg/kg BIW (6/6 CRs)
- BT7480 1.5 mg/kg BIW (5/6 CRs)



\*\*\* $p < 0.001$  Mixed effects analysis with Tukey's post test, days 0-17

Re-challenge

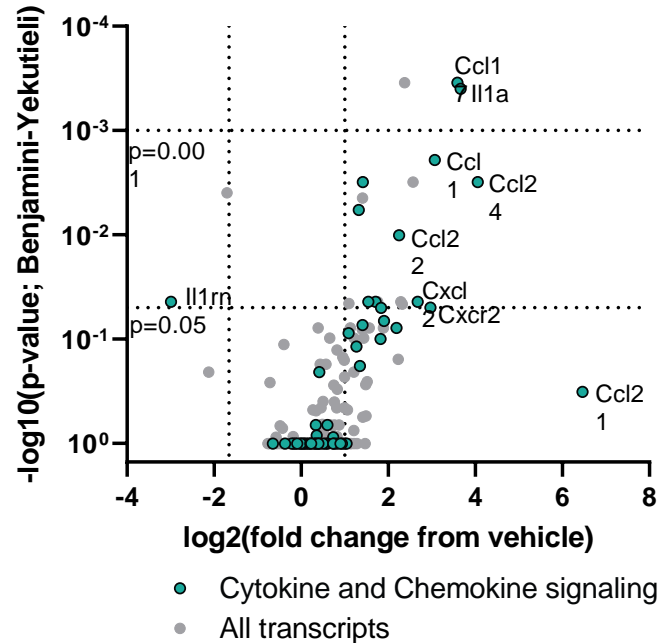


- CRs Vehicle (n=7)
- CRs Isotype CTR (n=7)
- CRs with CD8 depletion (n=10)

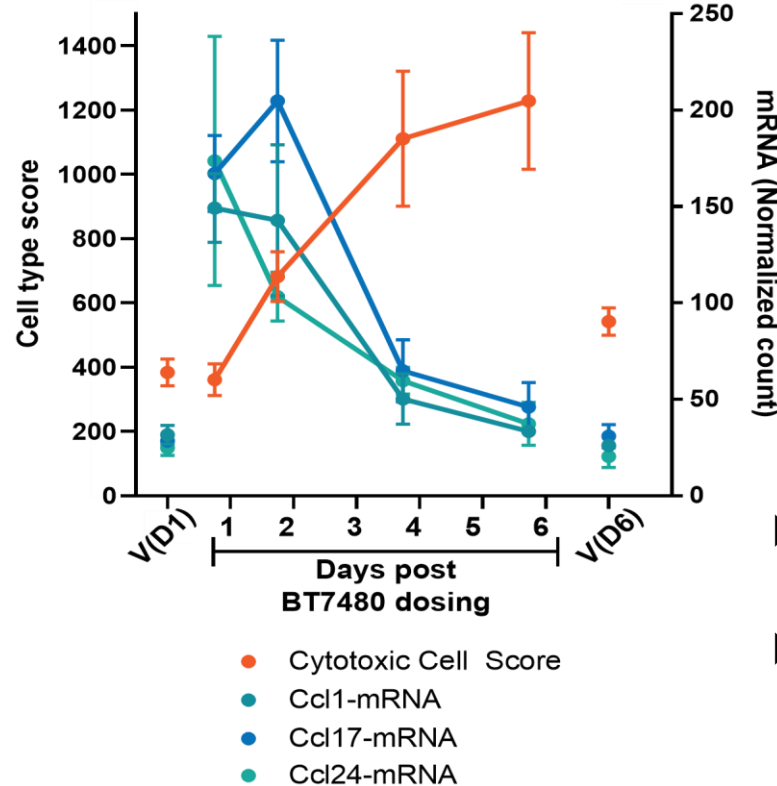
No tumor growth in Vehicle or Isotype CTR CR animals

# BT7480 has a unique and differentiated mechanism of action

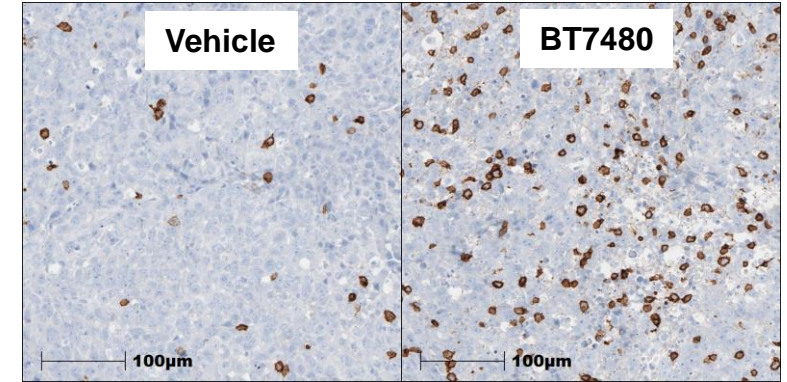
Cytokines and Chemokines at 24 Hours



Activate myeloid cells & chemokine signals Cytotoxicity



Intratatumoral CD8+ cells on Day 6

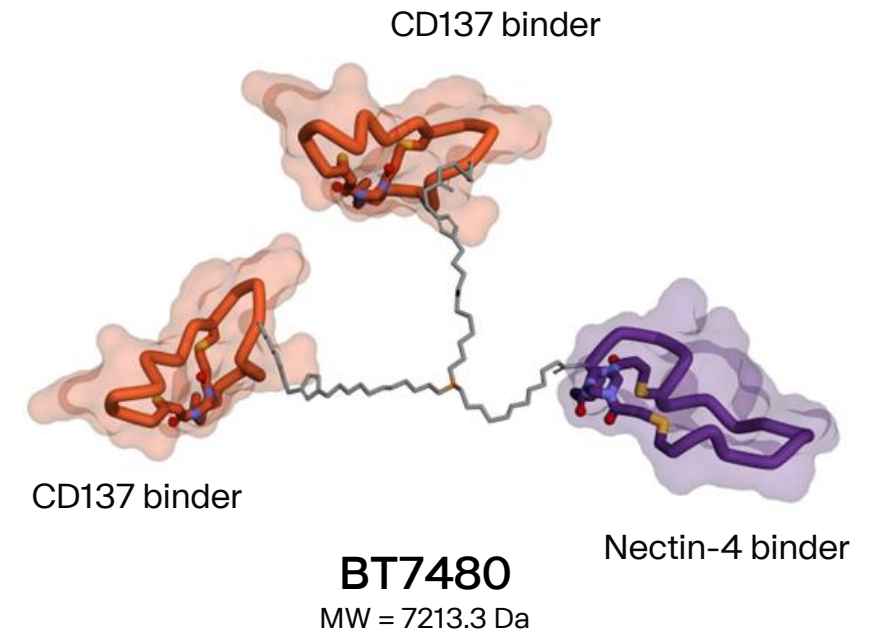


- ▶ BT7480 leads to a tumor localized early increase in cytokine gene expression
- ▶ BT7480 leads to increase in CD8+ cell infiltration, cytotoxic and macrophage cell scores in tumor

# BT7480 meets rationale design goals for a locally acting immune agonist

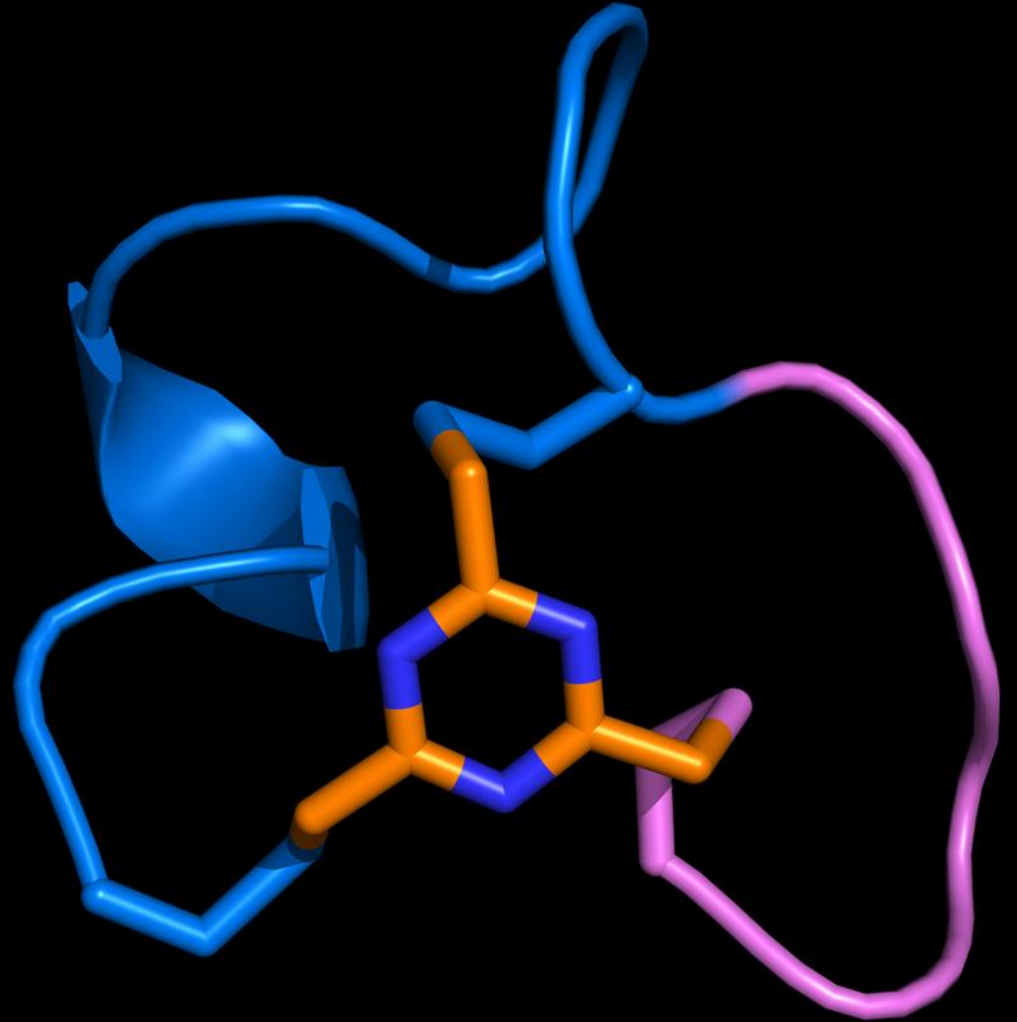
- ▶ CD137 agonism dependent on ligation to tumor specific antigen
- ▶ Robust anti-tumor activity with only intermittent dosing observed *in vivo*
- ▶ Early increase in cytokine production precedes CD8+ T cell infiltration into the tumor
- ▶ Well-tolerated in preclinical safety species
- ▶ Entered Phase I clinical trial in November 2021

Hurov K, Lahdenranta J, et al., 2021, *J Immunother Cancer*,  
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# ***Bicycle***<sup>®</sup> precision-guided NK cell activation

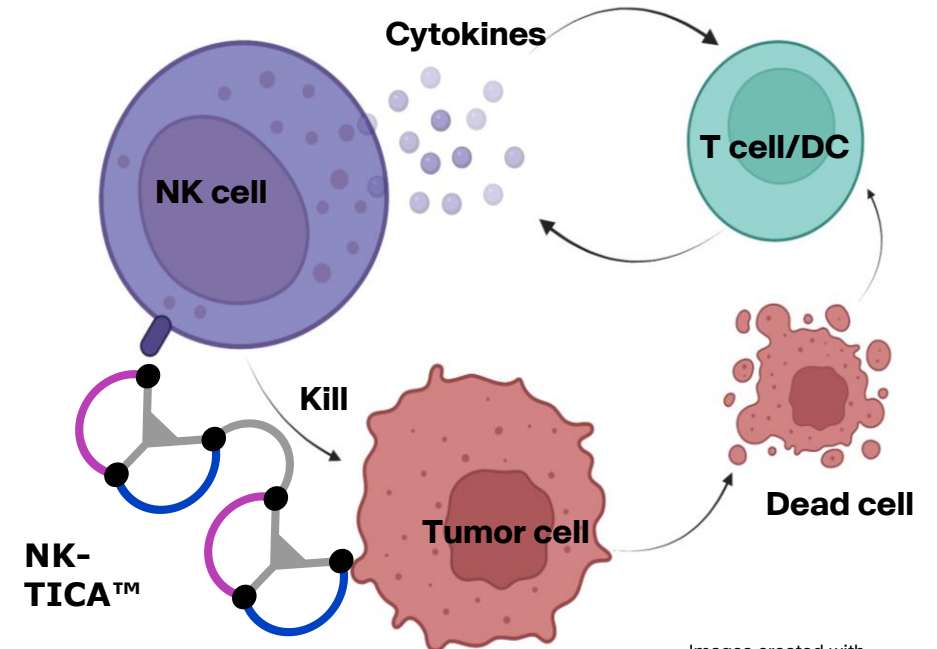
NK cell receptor = NKp46



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# Natural killer (NK) cells have emerged as important early drivers of the adaptive anti-tumor immune response

- ▶ Traditional understanding: NK cells kill tumor cells through direct cytotoxic mechanisms
- ▶ New science: role for NK cells in orchestration of adaptive immunity catalysis
- ▶ NK cell therapy is emerging as an important new approach to cancer
- ▶ NKp46 as NK-TICA™ target - an activating receptor specifically and constitutively expressed on NK cells

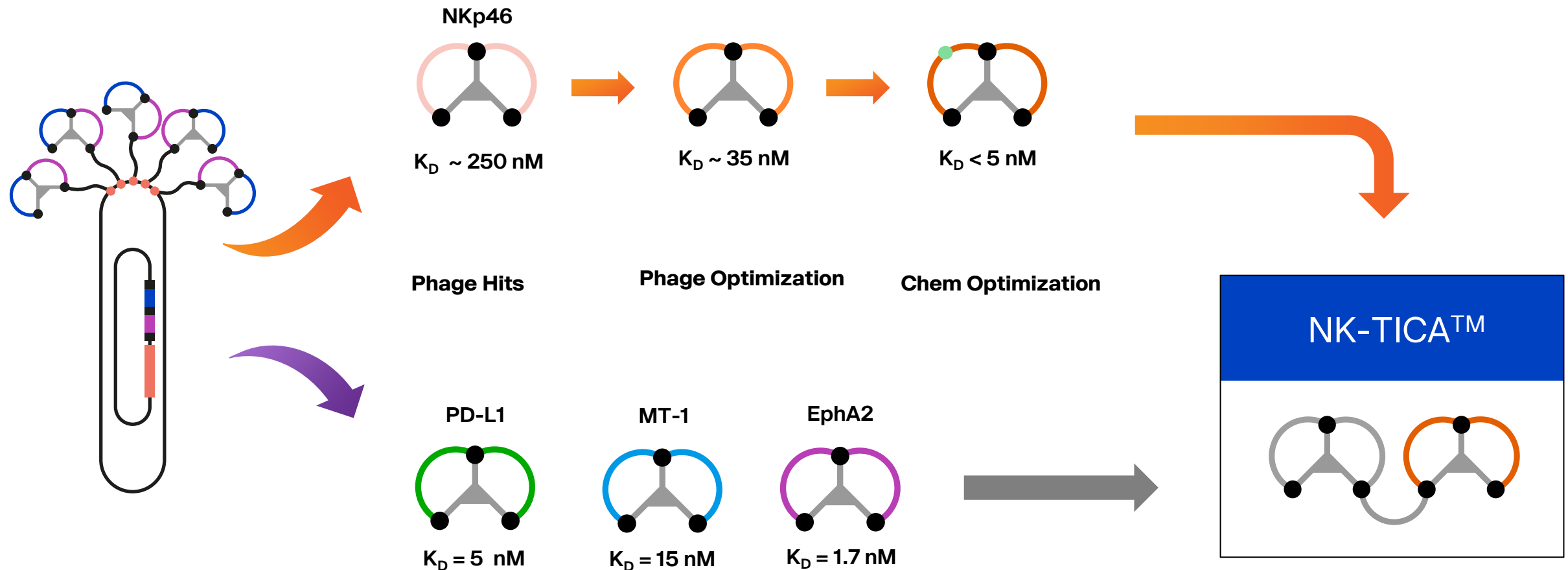


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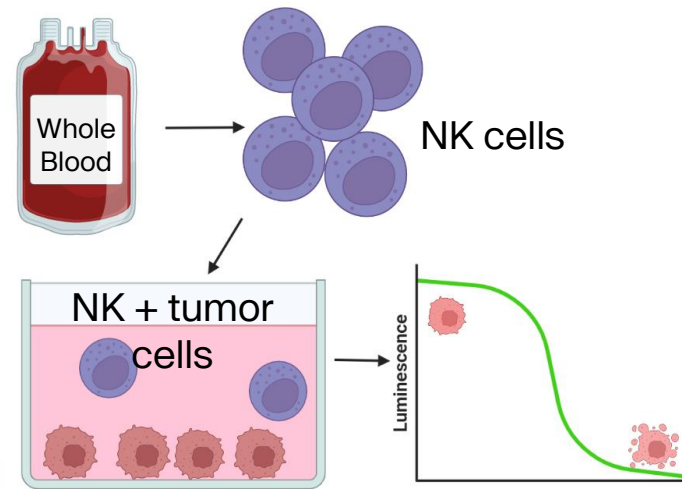
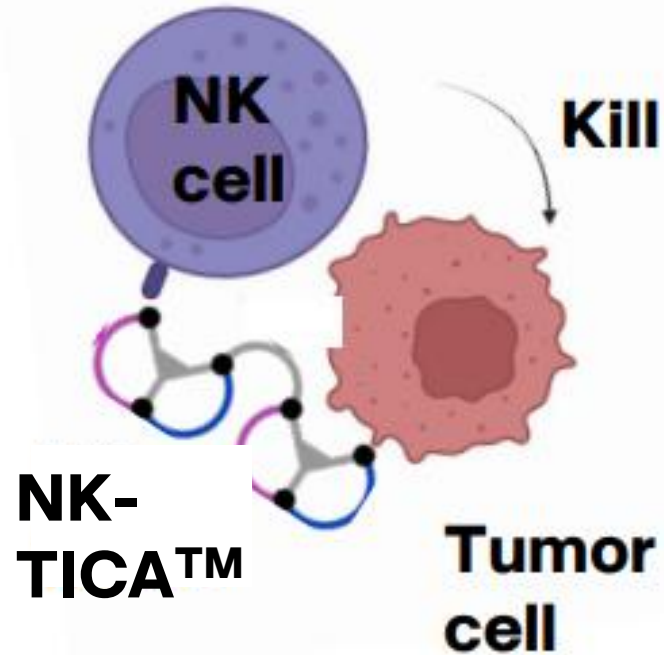
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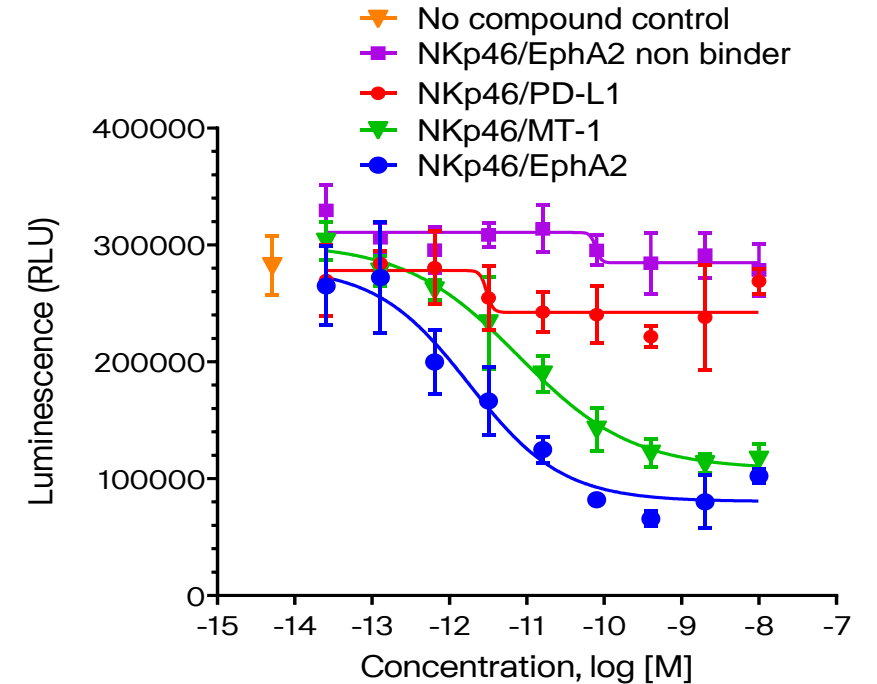
# NKp46 *Bicycles*: discovery and optimization by phage display and chemistry



# NKp46 *Bicycles* coupled to multiple antigen targets drive potent tumor cell killing

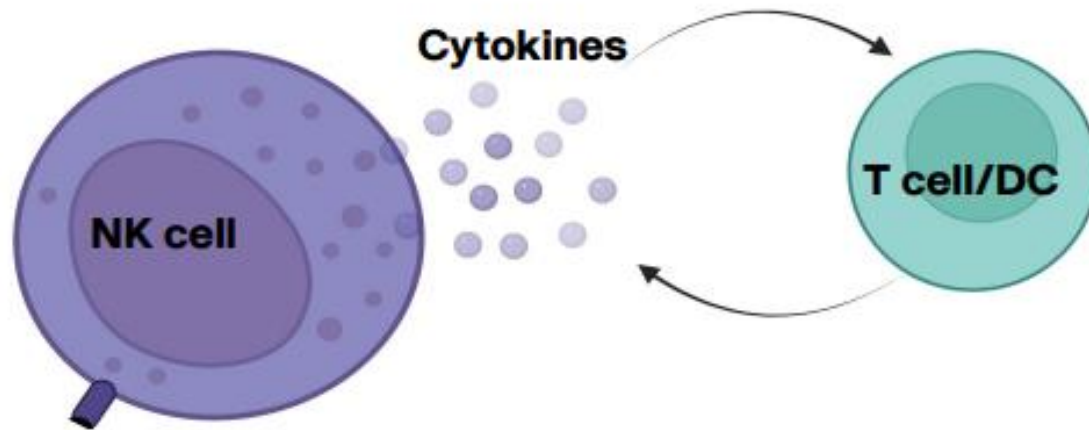


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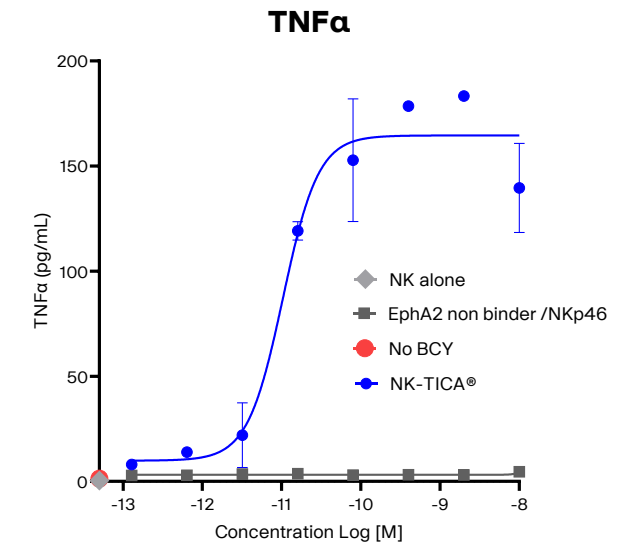
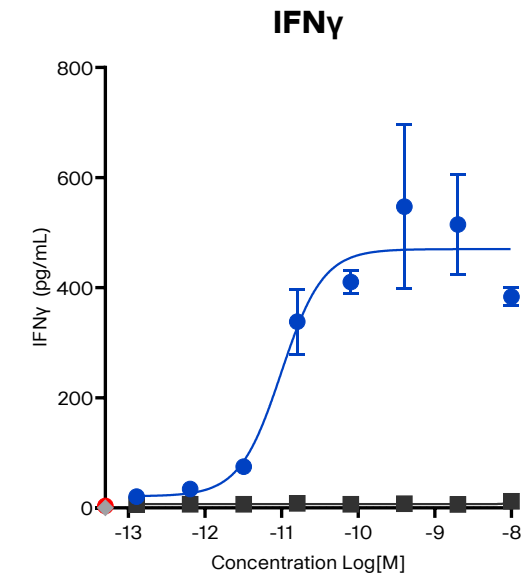


▶ Potential to create NK-TICA™ to address multiple solid tumor indications

# NK-TICA™ enhances NK cytokine production in the presence of tumor antigen expressing cell lines

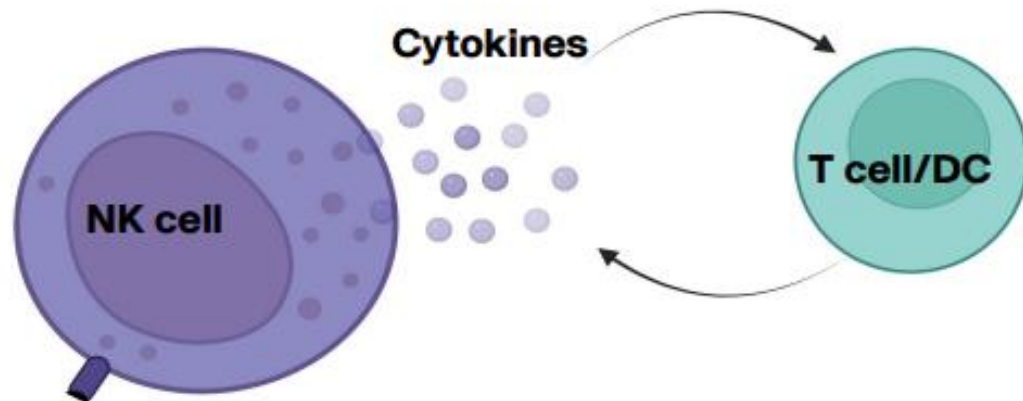


- ▶ NK cells secrete IFN $\gamma$  and TNF $\alpha$  in the presence of NK-TICA™
- ▶ Cytokine secretion is dependent on binding to tumor antigen

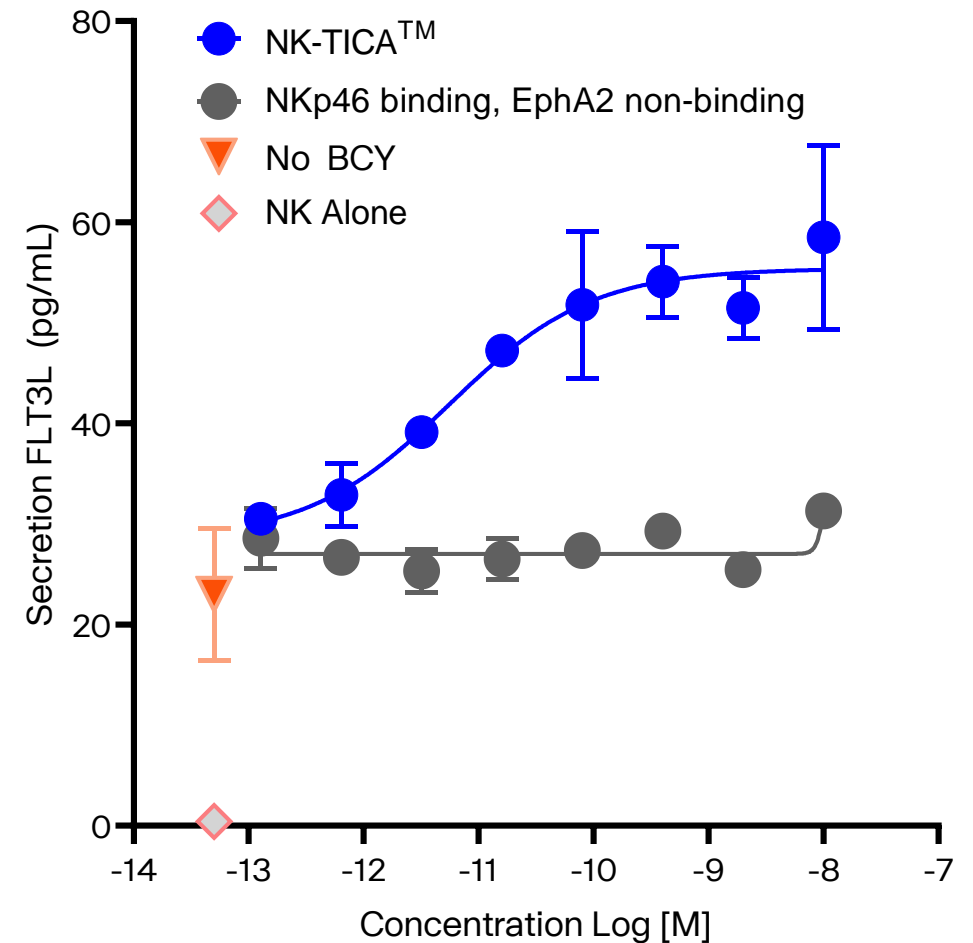


# NK-TICA™ enhances NK cell secretion of FLT3L

- ▶ NK-TICA™ causes FLT3L production by primary NK cells co-cultured with tumor cells
- ▶ FLT3L is a clinically validated driver of cDC1 maturation and anti-tumor responses



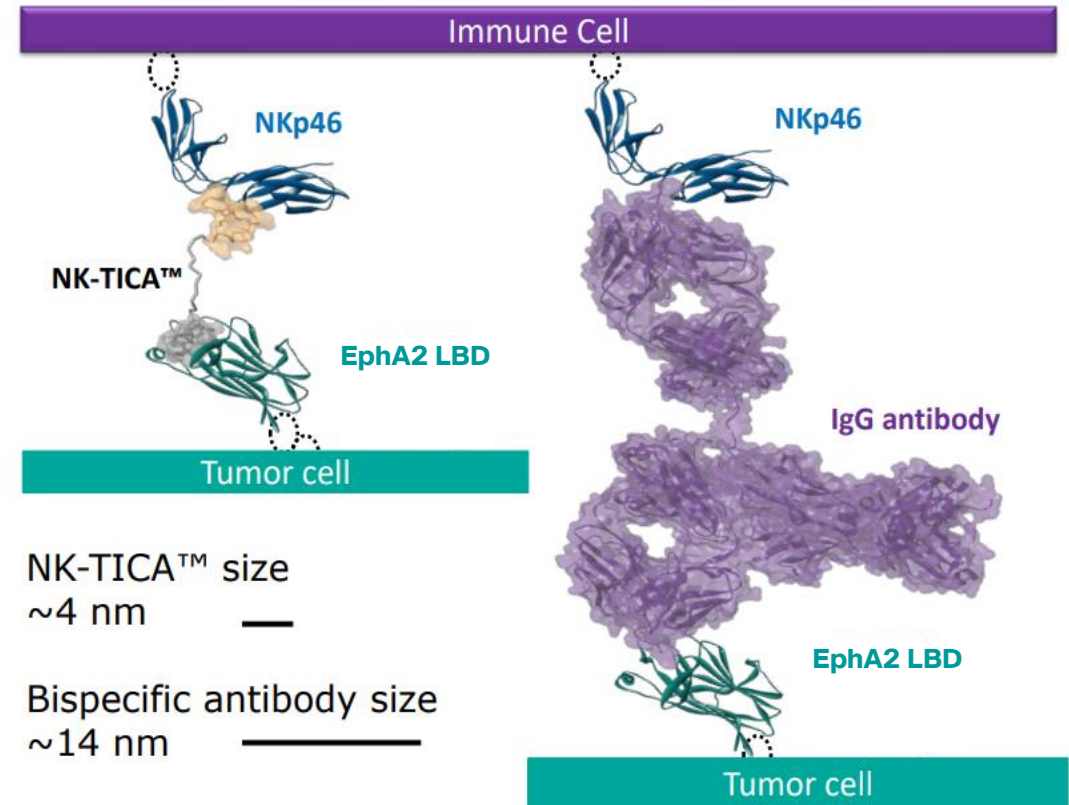
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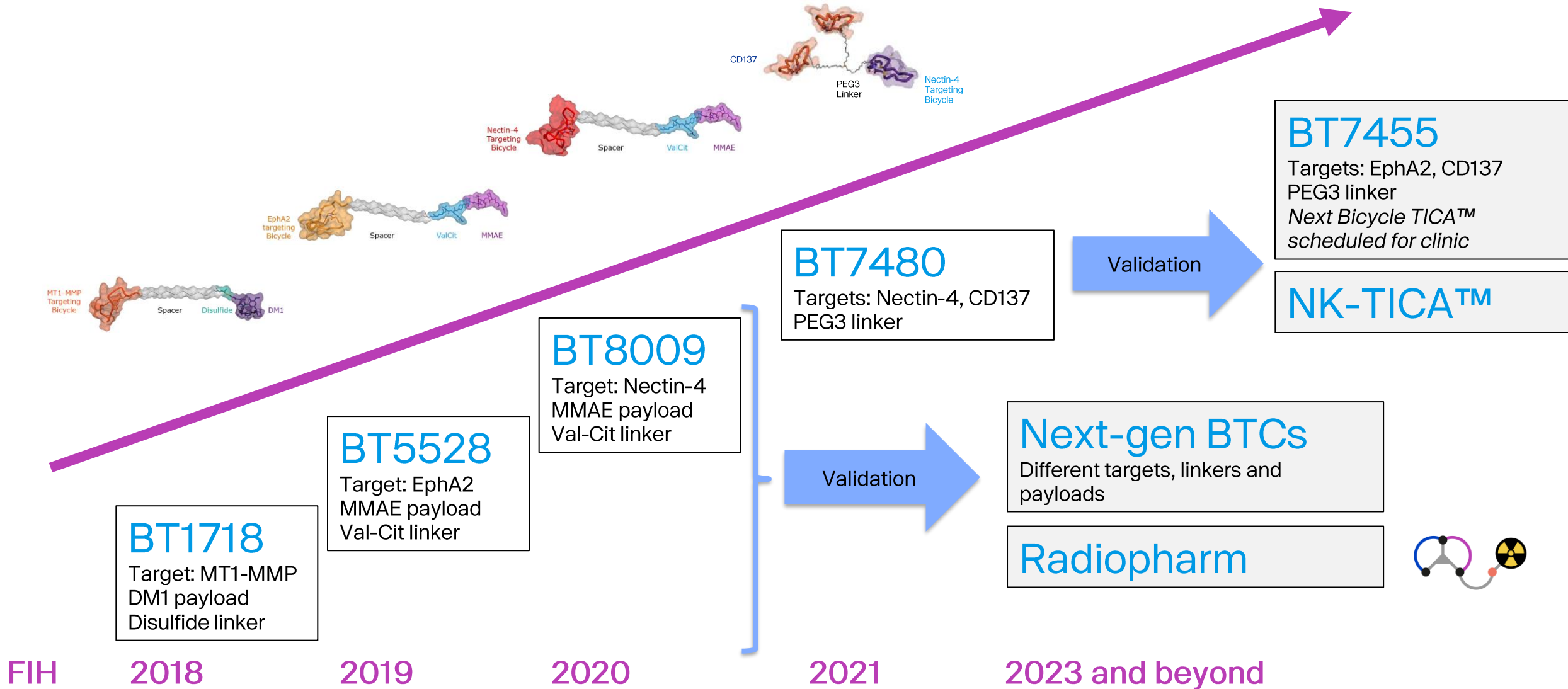
# First series of chemically synthetic, conditionally active, targeted NKp46 activators

- ▶ NK-TICA™
  - Tumor antigen-dependent NK cell engagers
  - Potent tumor cell killing
  - Potential to drive adaptive anti-tumor immunity
  
- ▶ NK-TICA™ have the potential to catalyze durable anti-tumor immunity in tumor types not well served by current therapies

Dufort et al., AACR 2022



# Diversifying the *Bicycle*<sup>®</sup> platform



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