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Oncology Company

Deep Pipeline and Multiple Technology Platforms

Focused and Capital Efficient Drug Development

Local/Regional Therapies in Cancer Nanoparticle-Based Technology

Targeted Chemotherapy Programs

Pivotal Phase III Study in Primary Liver Cancer (OPTIMA Study)

- Updated China Cohort from HEAT Study (Q3 -2016)
- Enrollment Completed in OPTIMA (2017)
- 1st Interim Efficacy Read-out (2018)

Phase II Study in RCW Breast Cancer (Euro-DIGNITY Study)

GEN-1 IL-12 Immuno-Oncology Programs

Phase I Neoadjuvant Therapy in Frontline Ovarian Cancer (2016)
Phase I/II Combination Therapy with Avastin in Platinum-Resistant
Ovarian Cancer (2016-2017)



Two Platforms to Drive Growth



Lysolipid Thermally
Sensitive Liposomes
Known Chemotherapeutics

ThermoDox

Targeted Doxorubicin Delivery

- Phase III Study Enrolling in HCC
- Phase II Study in RCW
 Breast Cancer



Synthetic Non-viral Vector DNA-based Plasmids Therapeutic Proteins

GEN-1

Localized IL-12 Immunotherapy

- Neoadjuvant Study in Newly Diagnosed Ovarian Cancer
- Combination Study with Avastin and Doxil in Platinum-Resistant Ovarian Cancer



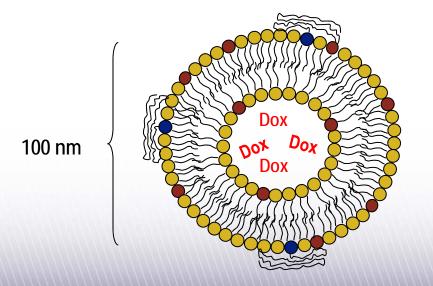
Chemotherapy

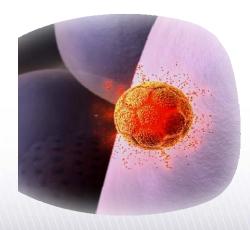
ThermoDox®

Celsion

ThermoDox Design Principles

- Complete encapsulation of Doxorubicin HCl
- Release of the encapsulated Doxorubicin with mild thermal warming (> 40°C)
- Ability to provide adequate systemic circulation to allow Mononuclear Phagocytic System (MPS) and Enhanced Permeation and Retention (EPR) to concentrate at tumor target
- Heat-inducing medical devices to warm the target tumor initiating a rapid drug release in the targeted tumor vasculature







Hepatocellular Carcinoma

Large and Deadly Global Cancer

- 5th most prevalent
 - 800,000 incidence worldwide; growing
 5% annually
 - By 2020, expected to be the #1 cancer, surpassing lung cancer
 - China has 50% of new cases; 75% in Asia

- 4th highest mortality
 - 5-year survival rate
 less than 10%
 - Median survival from time of diagnosis is less than 3 years
 - Cure, usually through surgery, is possible in less than 20% of patients

- Local therapies include:
 - RFA, TACE and radiation
 - RFA is the dominant treatment average with local recurrence rates
 >50% for lesions >3 cm
 - ThermoDox + RFA
 addresses limitations of
 current standard of care
 by "Expanding the
 Treatment Zone"

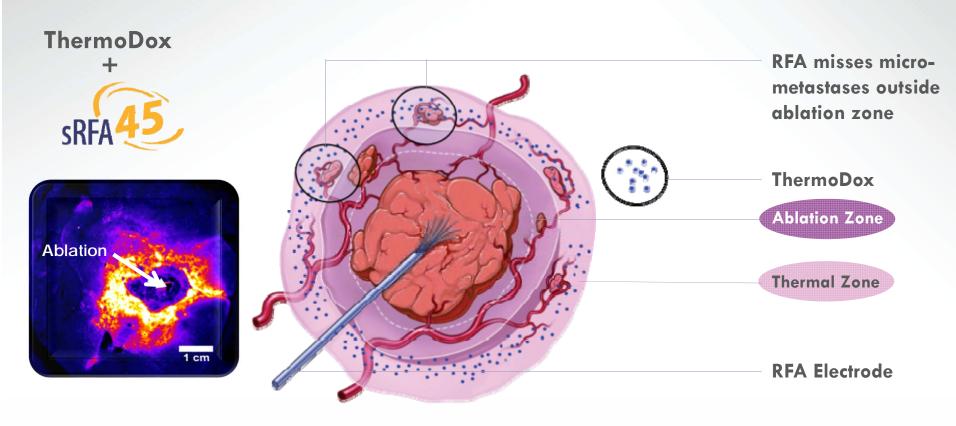
Market Opportunity > 200K Patients

Multi-Billion Dollar Revenue Potential



ThermoDox + RF Liver Ablation

Expanding the Treatment Zone Addresses RFA Limitations



- ThermoDox infused IV \sim 15 minutes prior to sRFA
- RFA ablates tumor and creates a "Thermal Zone" in margin surrounding the tumor
- Doxorubicin is released in the "Thermal Zone" expanding treatment area and killing the metatases outside the ablation zone

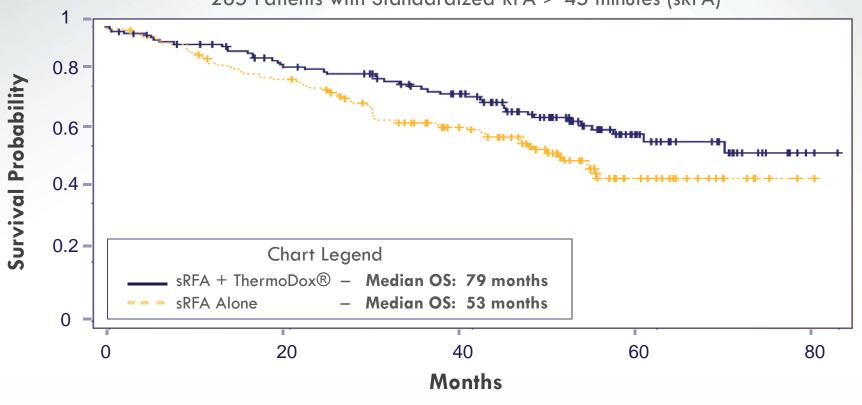


ThermoDox: HCC

Sub-Group Analysis of HEAT Study Data

Greater than Two Years Overall Survival Benefit

285 Patients with Standardized RFA > 45 minutes (sRFA)



Overall Survival as of 7/15/2015

HR=0.63 (95% CI 0.43 - 0.93)

P Value = 0.0198



ThermoDox for HCC

	HEAT STUDY	HEAT STUDY SUB-GROUP	OPTIMA STUDY DESIGN		
Population	701 Patients	285 Patients	550 Patients		
Eligibility	1 to 4 Lesions	Single Lesion	Single Lesion		
	At least one 3 cm to 7 cm	3 cm to 7 cm	3 cm to 7 cm		
	Child-Pugh A/B	Child-Pugh A/B	Child-Pugh A		
Primary Endpoint	PFS (HR=0.75)	OS (HR=0.63)	OS (HR=0.75)		
	380 PFS Events	79 month OS	198 OS Events		
Interim Endpoints	None	HR = 0.63 (Observed)	HR=0.61 (118 OS Events)* HR=0.70 (158 OS Events)*		
Powering of Final	33% Improvement in OS	N/A	33% Improvement in OS		
Endpoint	80% Power/p-value 0.05		80% Power/p-value 0.05		

^{*} Minimal Alpha Spend - O'Brien-Fleming stopping boundaries determined by means of the Lan-DeMets approach



ThermoDox+RFA vs TACE

Intermediate HCC

HEAT Study	AT Study Lesion size		Median OS (mos)	Year 1 (%)	Year 2 (%)	Year 3 (%)
ITT Population	Overall: 2.7 - 7.5 cm Mean: 4.2 cm Median: 4 cm	223	48	85	76	64
·	3 cm - 5 cm	183	NE	87	80	66
	5 cm − 7 cm	5 cm – 7 cm 40 45		75	58	54
ThermoDox + RFA ≥ 45 min.	Overall: 2.7 - 6.9 cm Mean: 4.3 cm Median: 4.2 cm	138	79	94	85	77
RFA alone time ≥ 45 min.	Overall: 3 - 6.9 cm Mean: 4.2 cm Median: 3.9 cm	147	54	88	79	69
lkeda et al (TACE)	Median: 3.9; range 1-11	99	37	90	75	NR
2013	> 3.0	64	NR	NR	66	NR
Burrel (DEB TACE)	BCLC A	41	54	89.7	NR	67.8
2012	BCLC B	63	48	88.2	NR	64.4

HEAT Study Subgroup

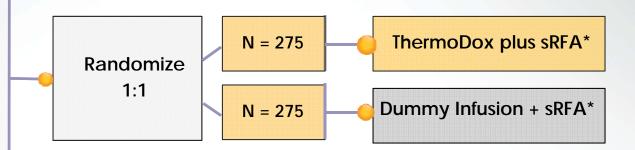
Phase III OPTIMA Study Design

General Eligibility

- Non-resectable HCC
- Single lesions
- Lesion > 3 cm but not > 7 cm
- Treatment naïve
- Child-Pugh A

Stratification

- Lesion size: 3-5 cm / 5-7 cm
- RFA Technique (Percutaneous, Laparoscopy, or Surgical)



Primary Endpoint Secondary Endpoints	Overall Survival (OS) Progression Free Survival; Safety
Interim Efficacy Analysis	118 OS Events / HR < 0.61 158 OS Events / HR < 0.70
Final Efficacy	197 OS Events / HR < 0.75

First Patient Enrolled Q3 – 2014

~80 Clinical Sites in 14 Countries



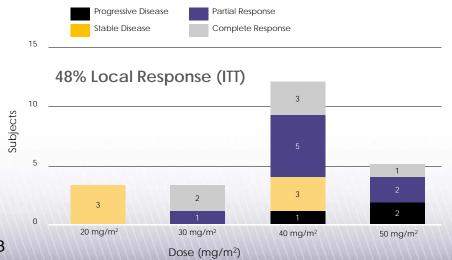


ThermoDox: RCW Breast Cancer

Difficult to Treat with Severe Complications

- Breast cancer recurring in the chest wall affects ~35,000 post-mastectomy patients in the US and Europe annually
- Up to 40% of women undergoing a mastectomy as primary treatment will experience local recurrence
- Local tumor control is a primary objective in treating these patients

Combined Phase 1 Data (n = 29)



Limited Treatment Options



Complete Response



Phase 2 US DIGNITY Study

Evaluate local-regional breast tumor response. 17 patients enrolled; 12 evaluable for efficacy

- All evaluable patients experienced stabilization of disease; 67% of patients in evaluable population observed local responses - 5 CRs & 3 PRs
- 47% Local Response (ITT)



ThermoDox: Euro-DIGNITY Study

ThermoDox + Hyperthermia + Radiation

Primary Objectives

Evaluate complete and partial response after 3 cycles of ThermoDox +
 Hyperthermia and Radiation Treatment (Tri-Modal Therapy)

Evaluate loco-regional breast tumor control in patients undergoing

Tri-Modal Therapy

70 patients to be enrolled

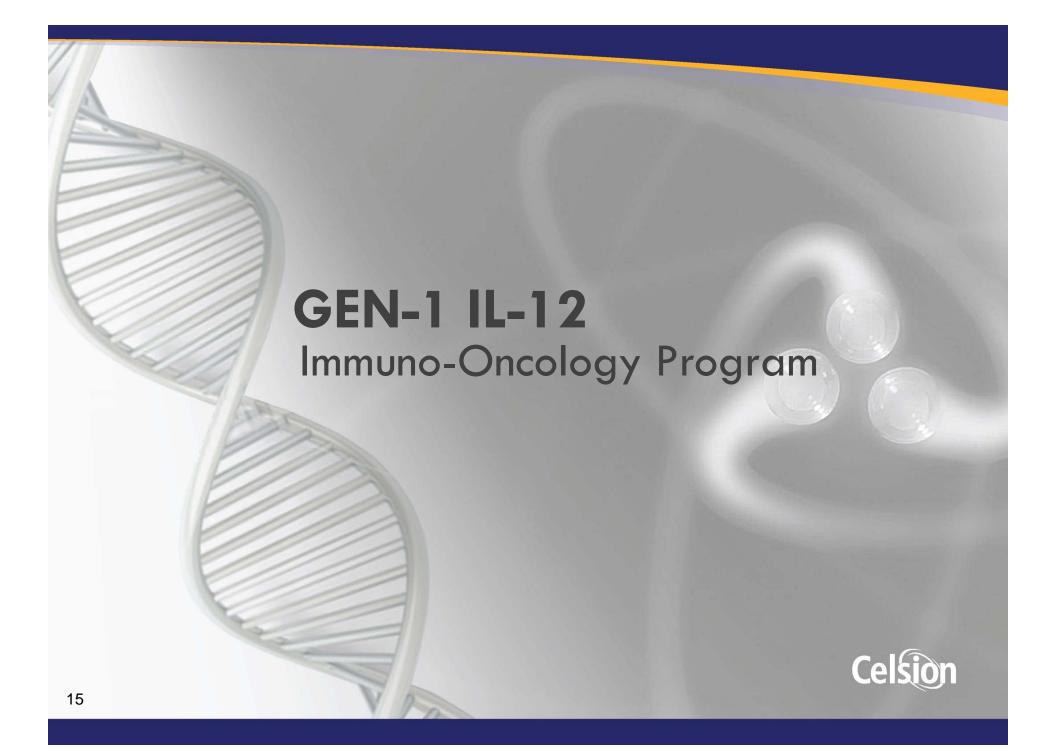
Open Label Design

Study Timelines

- Site Activation: 1st Half 2016
- Interim Efficacy Assessment: Q1 2017
- Recruitment Period: 2016 2017
- LP/LV through Follow-Up: 2018







GEN-1 Immunotherapy

Novel PPC Plasmid DNA Nanoparticle

Rationale for Local IL-12 Therapy with DNA Nanoparticles

- Local production of potent cytokine IL-12
- IL-12 recruits immune system with multiple mechanisms of action
- Avoids serious toxicities and poor pK associated with recombinant IL-12 protein

IL-12 Approaches Under Development

- Recombinant IL-12 Protein Short half life; Systemic toxicities (Neumedicines Low dose IL-12 protein for Lymphoma; Multiple Academic Institutions)
- Viral Vectors Transfection efficiency; Ability to repeat dose (ZioPharm melanoma; breast and brain cancer)
- Electroporation Limited to intra-tumoral administration (Inovia and Oncosec melanoma, head & neck, lung, pancreatic, prostate and breast cancer)
- Non-Viral DNA Plasmid Nanoparticles (GEN-1)
 - Persistent local delivery of IL-12 (up to one week)
 - IP administration and repeat dosing Ovarian Cancer
 - Ideal for long-term maintenance therapy



GEN-1 IL-12 Immunotherapy

Powerful Immune Modulating Agent

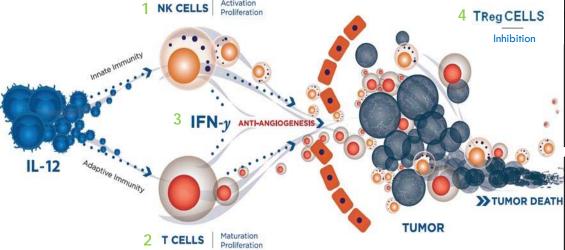
Multiple Mechanisms of Action

1. NK Cell Activation

3. Anti-angiogenesis

2. T Cell Activation 4. T Reg Inhibition

TUMOR DEATH



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Angiostatin anti-angiogenesis requires IL-12: The innate immune system as a key target

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IL-12 REGULATES VEGF AND MMPs IN A MURINE BREAST CANCER MODEL

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In a murine model of breast cancer, IL-12 therapy exerts rotent anti-angiogenic effects which contribute to tumor provided by Roussel UCLAF (Romainville, France). Cytokines potent anti-angiogenic effects which contribute to tumor regression. After 7 days of treatment, levels of tumor VEGF protein decline markedly and are undetectable at 14 days. This decline is accompanied by a Iall in MMP-9 and, as the tumors regress, an increase in its natural inhibitor, TIMP-1. A cell line established from the primary tumor produced VEGF in vitro. IFN-y reduced tumor cell production of VEGF over a in vitro. IFN-y reduced tumor cell production of VEGF over a 24-hr period in vitro, suggesting that IL-12-induced IFN-y may be responsible for the decline in VEGF levels in vivo. There is also in vitro evidence that IL-12 regulates stromal cell interac-tions, leading to decreased MMP-9 and increased TIMP-1 production. Thus, we suggest that at least 2 mechanisms are productors in IL-12 regulation of angiogenesis, removing the pro-angiogenic stimulus and blocking the release and activity of MMPs. Int. J. Cancer 78:361–365, 1998.

were diluted to 10 µg/ml in PBS/0.1% murine serum albumin (Sigma, Poole, UK) and stored at -70°C prior to use. An MMP inhibitor, BB-2116, was kindly provided by British Biotech Pharmaceuticals (Oxford, UK). This inhibitor was used at a concentration of 30 mM. Finally, an anti-mouse VEGF-blocking antibody (Autogen Bioclear; Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA) was used at a concentration of 0.5 µg/ml.

The murine T-cell line EL4-nob was provided by Dr. D. Cantrell (ICRF, London, UK). The macrophage cell line J774 was also used (for details, see Yoshida et al., 1994). Both were cultured in RPMI 1640 with 10% FCS (Sigma), supplemented with 2 mM L-glutamine,

Klinke Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer (2015) 3:27 DOI 10.1186/s40425-015-0069-x



REVIEW

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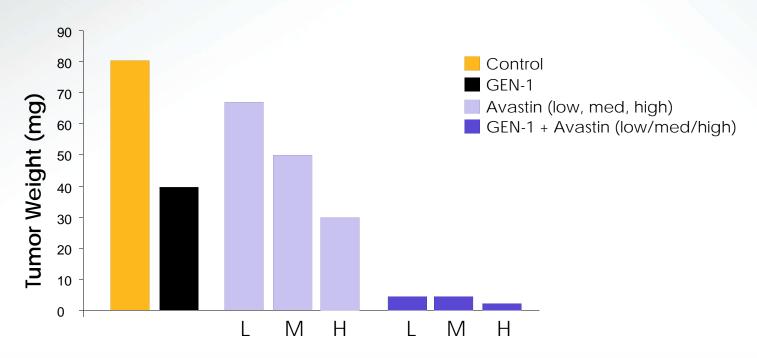
Enhancing the discovery and development of immunotherapies for cancer using quantitative and systems pharmacology: Interleukin-12 as a case study

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GEN-1: Preclinical Studies

Combination with Avastin

Combining GEN-1 with Avastin yields Dramatic Improvement Activity



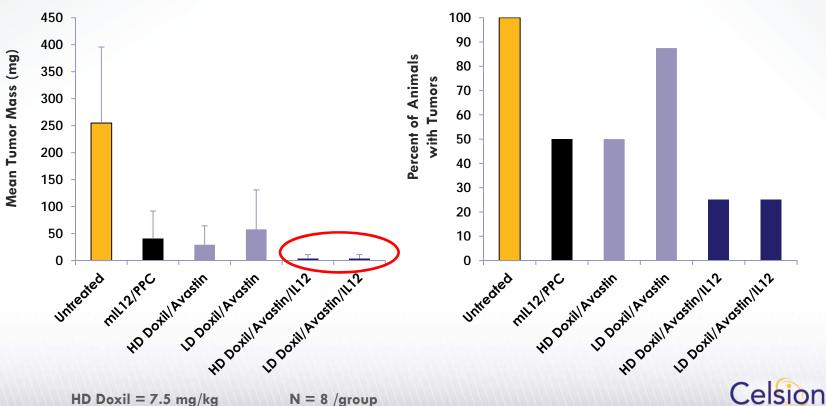
 7×10^6 SKOV3 human ovarian cancer cells were implanted IP. Avastin treatment at three different doses (5 mg/kg (low), 10 mg/kg (medium), and 20 mg/kg (high)) was initiated 9 days after tumor implantation; pmIL-12/PPC was given weekly for 4 weeks 14 days after tumor implantation.



GEN-1: Preclinical Studies

GEN-1 + Doxil + Avastin

- Doxil + Avastin is SoC for platinum-resistant ovarian cancer (2nd line)
- GEN-1 + Doxil +Avastin Treatment Resulted in a > 98% Reduction in Tumor Burden Compared to Untreated Animals



Ovarian Cancer

Large and Deadly Global Cancer

- 8th most diagnosed cancer among women
 - 225,000 annual incidence worldwide
 - 22,280 in US and 100,000 in developed countries
 - 14,240 deaths in 2015

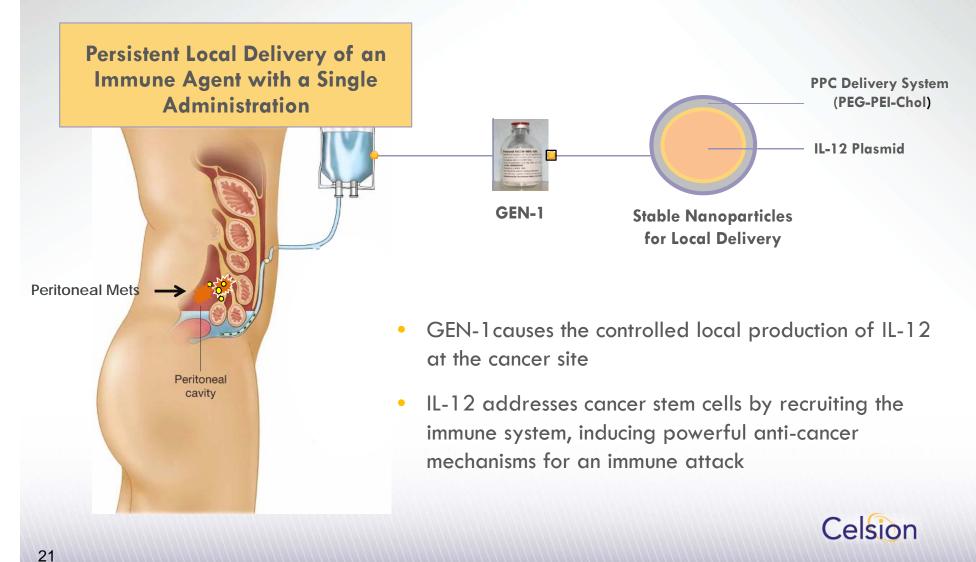
- 5th highest mortality among women
 - 5-year survival rate for all stages is 45%
 - Survival rate reduces dramatically if not localized cancer
 - 15% diagnosed with localized cancer, eligible for potentially curative surgery

- Local therapies for ovarian cancer
 - Ovarian cancer is not diagnosed early - spreads to regional/mets requiring combo regimens
 - Most common site of recurrence in abdomen importance of intraperitoneal administered therapy
 - GEN-1 administered IP;
 ideal adjuvant to SoC
 therapy



GEN-1 for Ovarian Cancer

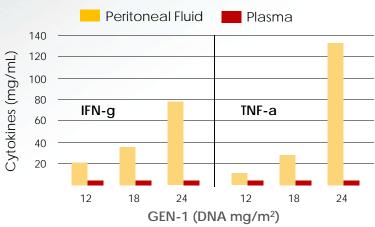
Local Immunotherapy



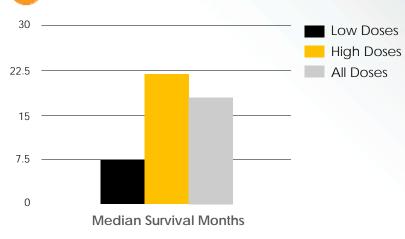
GEN-1 Immunotherapy

Clinical Experience To-Date

1 Convincing Evidence of Biological Activity



2 Single Agent Benefit



3 Lack of Overlapping Toxicities Allows for Combination Therapies

GEN-1 (IP)

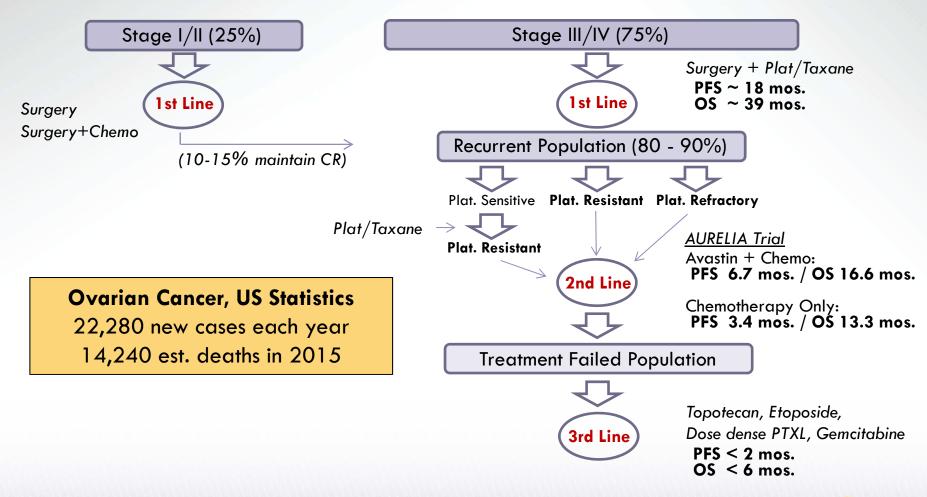
- Gastrointestinal
- Low Grade Fever
- Chills
- Catheter Site Pain/Redness
- Abdominal Discomfort

Chemotherapy (IP)

- Cardiovascular, Hematological
- Metabolic, Neurologic
- Fever, Infection
- Urinary Problems, Gastrointestinal
- Hepatic, Fatigue, Metabolic, Pain



Ovarian Cancer Treatment Path





GEN-1 + Doxil Phase 1b Trial

Platinum Resistant Ovarian Cancer

GEN-1 (mg/m ²)	Doxil (mg/m²)
24	40
36	40
36	50

Clinical Observations

- All doses well tolerated with no DLTs
- Clear dose responses at 36 mg/m² dose
 - CRR (SD+PR+CR) (all doses): > **50**%
 - CRR (SD+PR+CR) at highest dose: 86%
- Compares favorably to single agent Doxil in 4 previous studies:
 - CRR (SD+PR+CR) < 50%

Translational Data Findings

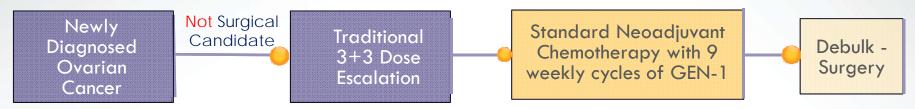
- Significant increase in immunologically active IL-12 levels in peritoneal fluid
 - Detectable for at least one week after GEN-1 dosing
 - Not detectable or very low in plasma
- Significant increase in key downstream mediators of IL-12
 - IFN- γ and TNF- α : ~5-fold increase observed in peritoneal fluid above pre-treatment level with the highest increase observed at 77-fold
 - Very low to non-detectable levels of IFN γ and TNF- α in plasma



GEN-1: First Line Treatment in Ovarian Cancer

Phase I Study – First Patient Enrolled September 2015

The OVATION Study



Neoadjuvant Study in Newly Diagnosed Ovarian Cancer Patients	To determine safety, dose, and feasibility in target patient population
Primary Endpoint	Optimal Dose (Max or MTD)
Secondary Endpoints	pCR, PFS, ↑IFNγ, ↑IL-12, ↓VEGF



OVATION Study

Clinical Experience To-Date

Cohort 1 36 mg/m²	FIGO Stage	Tumor Response RECIST	Surgical Debulking Status			nL) * 2 Weeks Post TX	Pathological Results	
OV01-01 (01)	IV	Stable Disease	Optimal R1	362.0	9.0 -97.5%	6.4 -98.2%	microPR	
OV01-02 (02)	IIIB	Stable Disease	RO	246.0	28.0 -88.6%	7.9 -96.8%	microPR	
OV01-04 (05)	IIIC	Complete Response	R0	423.0	64.4 -84.8%	16.3 -96.1%	Complete Pathological Response	

^{* 50%} reduction in CA-125 levels from baseline that is maintained for greater than 2 weeks is considered a CA-125 Responder

^{**} In a 332 patient GOG Study, pCR's were seen in only 6.5% of patients; Strong correlation with improvement in Overall Survival (median OS of 72 mos.) which is a 3 year improvement over patients having a microPR or macroPR (Pvalue = 0.018)



Platinum Resistant Ovarian Cancer

GEN-1 in Combination with Avastin + Doxil (SoC)

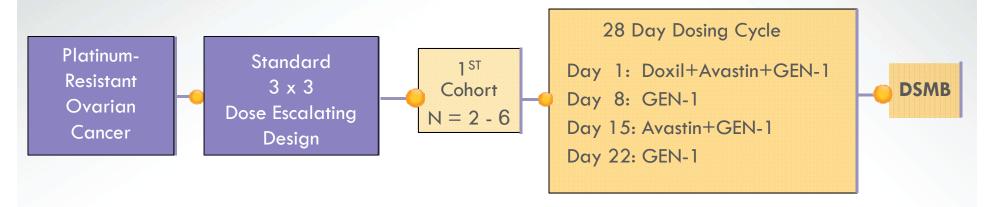
Clinical Data - Platinum	n Resistant Ovarian Cancer				
HISTORICAL	Doxil Only (Four Doxil Studies)	ORR (CR+PR)	8-12%		
		CRR (CR+PR+SD)	< 50%		
AURELIA TRIAL	Chemo Only	ORR (CR+PR)	12%		
		CRR (CR+PR+SD)	n/a		
	Chemo + Avastin	ORR (CR+PR)	27 %		
		CRR (CR+PR+SD)	n/a		
Phase 1b GOG Study	Doxil + GEN-1 (Highest Dose Cohort)	ORR (CR+PR)	29%		
		CRR (CR+PR+SD)	86%		
Pre-Clinical Data - Pres	ented at AACR 2016				
		Reduction in tumor but	rden		
GEN-1 Alone		50%			
Avastin Alone		39%			
GEN-1 + Avastin		78%			
GEN-1 + Avastin + Doxil		92 %			

- 1. Combining GEN-1 with Avastin + Doxil resulted in a > 98% decrease in tumor burden in animals compared to controls and a 92% decrease in tumor burden compared to animals treated only with Avastin and Doxil (p-Value < 0.01)
- 2. The combination of GEN-1 with Avastin and Doxil was well tolerated with no systemic toxicities
- 3. Plans for initiation of Phase I/II trial in Q4 2016



GEN-1 with Avastin and Doxil

Platinum – Resistant Recurrent Ovarian Cancer



Primary Endpoint Phase I Primary Endpoint Phase II	Optimal Safe Dose (Max or MTD) Clinical Objective Tumor Response (RECIST)
Secondary Endpoint	IL-12, IFN-γ, TNF-α, VEGF
Treatment period	28 day cycles continue until GEN-1 or Avastin treatment is no longer tolerated



GEN-1 + Avastin and Doxil

Statistical Rationale for Phase II Study Design

100 Patients Planned for Randomized Phase II Study

- Primary Endpoint:
 - 70 PFS events provide 80% Power
 - P-Value = 0.10
 - Minimum observed PFS HR ratio associated with a statistically significant result is 0.74 (\sim 2.2 mos. v AURELIA)
 - Median PFS control is approximately 6.7 months from the AURELIA Study
- Overall Survival: OS follow up will continue until at least 60 events (deaths) are observed to provide a meaningful OS estimate (95% confidence interval of OS HR and associated medians)



Strong Patent and Regulatory Protection



Composition of Matter Patent (2021)
Method Patents (2026)

Orphan Drug Designation for HCC

- U.S. 7 year exclusivity
- Europe -10 year exclusivity
- Eligible for 5 year Hatch-Waxman (2031)
- No immediate ANDA route to registration



Composition of Matter Patent (2027)

Orphan Designation for Ovarian and GBM

- U.S. 7 year exclusivity
- No ANDA route to registration



Milestone Events (2016-2018)

	2016					2017	017 2018					
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
ThermoDox												
OPTIMA STUDY		Initiate Enrollment in China	HEAT Study OS Data (China cohort)	OPTIMA 50% Complete				OPTIMA Enrollment Complete			1 st Interim Efficacy Endpoint	
Euro-DIGNITY STUDY			Initiate Enrollment			1st Efficacy Assessment (24 pts)		Enrollment Complete		Final Data Assessment (70 pts)		
GEN-1												
OVATION STUDY		Efficacy & TR Data from Cohorts 1 & 2		Final Data from OVATION								
Avastin+Doxil Study	TR Data from Phase 1b Ovarian Study	Pre-Clin Data at AACR	Submit IND for Ph 1/2 Study	Initiate Enrollment				Efficacy & TR data from Phase 1	Initiate Phase 2 Study			
TheraSilence												
Lung Cancer		Pre-Clin Data (Collaboration w/ RNA company		Potential Co- Development Collaboration								



Financial Overview

Cash & Investments (12/31/15) \$20.1 million

Estimated cash usage per month \sim \$1.3 million

Market Capitalization \$35 million

Common shares outstanding 23 million

Fully diluted shares outstanding 31 million

Avg Daily Trading Volume ~ 100,000



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