

Developing CYT-303 NK Cell Engager Combination Therapies for Hepatocellular Carcinoma

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### **Topics to Cover**



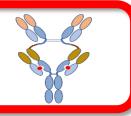
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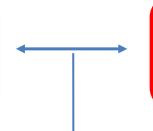
# Two Platforms Engaging and Empowering NK Cells as Cancer Therapeutics Both Platforms are Applicable to other Immune Cells



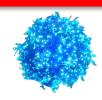
First company combining NK cell engager bispecific antibody & gene-edited iPSC-derived NK cell platforms



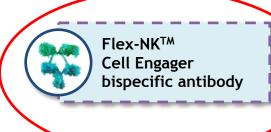




Gene edited iPSC-Derived NK Cell Platform



#### Multiple Therapeutic Modality products





iNK Cell pre-complexed with Flex-NK™ Cell Engager or conventional combo



Edited universal iNK Cell



#### **Current Therapeutic Indications**

Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC)

Other Solid Tumors expressing GPC3

Glioblastoma Multiforme (GBM)

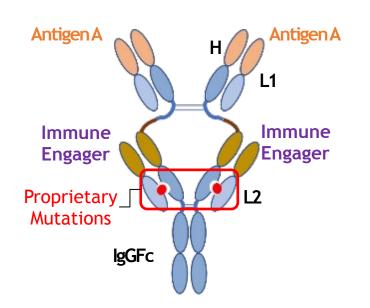
Multiple Myeloma (MM)

Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma (CTCL) & other CD38 expressing hematological tumors

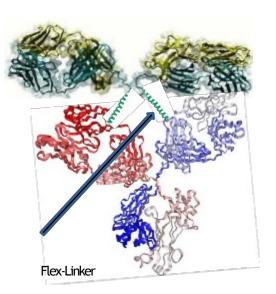
### Proprietary BsAb Technology Leading to Novel Multifunctional Flex Format



Flex<sup>TM</sup> Cell Engager multi-specific antibodies help redirect immune cells towards their target and further activate their killing activity at the tumor site



- Flexible linker allowing simultaneous binding to 2 different cells
- Full IgG with Fc allows for a half-life longer than other bispecifics supporting at least weekly administration
- Proprietary mutation ensuring proper alignment of light and heavy chains
- Tetravalent structure for increased affinity and avidity
- Up to 2 years stability
- IP acquired from Cytovia scientific cofounder
- Worldwide patent granted

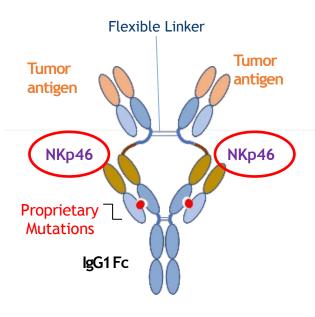




Flex-linker facilitates binding to multiple antigens on different cells

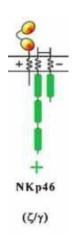
# A Differentiated Approach to Engage NK Cells - NKp46 is a preferred activating receptor to induce NK Cell-mediated anti-tumor immunity in solid tumors

#### Exclusive License from Hebrew University for NKp46 Antibodies



## NKp46 has significant benefits as an Activating Receptor\*

- Primary driver of NK Cell's "natural cytotoxicity"
- Foundational NCR1 identified as critical for formation of *NK cell immune*synapses with target cells
- Potent NK signaling via ITAM subunits
   CD3 zeta and Fc gamma to activate Zap
   70, Syk and PI3K kinases to mediate NK cytotoxicity and cytokine production
- NKp46 shows sustained expression on NK cells in the TME while other activating receptors, such as NKG2D, NKp30, CD16 and NKp44 are therein downregulated or shed in the TME





**Prof. Ofer Mandelboim** *Hebrew University, Jerusalem* 

NKp46 Receptor-Mediated Interferongamma Production by Natural Killer Cells Increases Fibronectin 1 to Alter Tumor Architecture and Control Metastasis

O. Mandelboim

Immunity Cell Press 2018

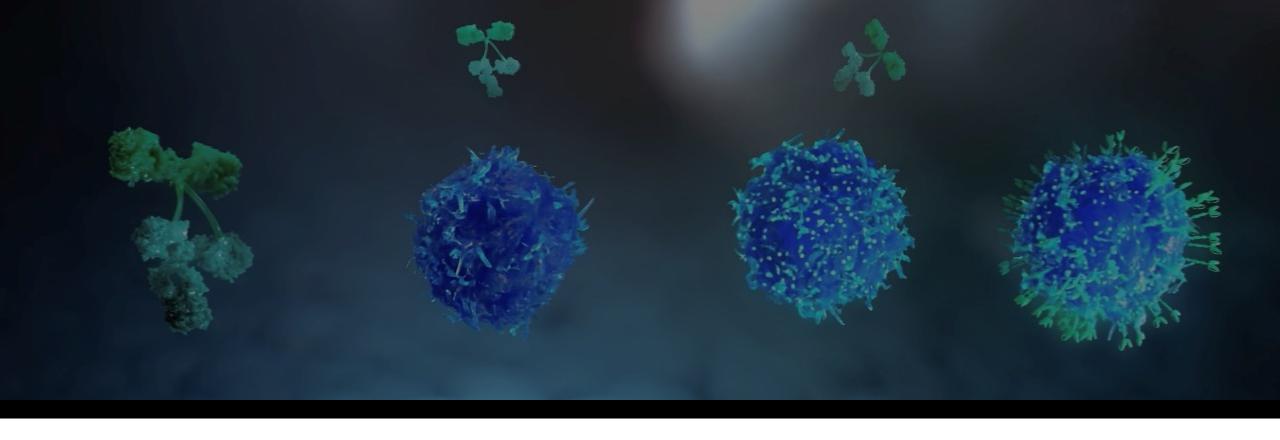
### Cytovia Pipeline Supports 2 INDs in 2023 from its GPC3 and CD38 Franchises



Product Platform	Product Candidates	Indication	Pre-Clinical	Clinical	IND Filings
Flex-NK™	CYT-303	НСС	GPC3 Flex-NK™ Bispecific Antibodies		2023
Bispecific Antibodies	CYT-103 (CytoLynx Program)	нсс	GPC3 Flex-NK™ Bispecific Antibodies Pre-Complexed with iNK Cells		China IIT in 2023
(monotherapy & combination with iNK cells)	CYT-338 +/- CYT150	MM, CTCL	CD38 Flex-NK™ Bispecific Antibodies		Monotherapy 2023
	CYT-303 + CYT-150	нсс	GPC3 Flex-NK <sup>™</sup> Bispecific Antibodies + Edited iNK Cells		IIT/IND 2024
	CYT-503	нсс	GPC3 CAR-iNK Cells		IIT/IND 2024
CAR-iNK Cells	CYT-538	ММ	CD38 CAR-iNK Cells		2025
	CYT-501	GBM	EGFR vIII + WT CAR-iNK Cells		2025

HCC: Hepatocellular Carcinoma MM: Multiple Myeloma

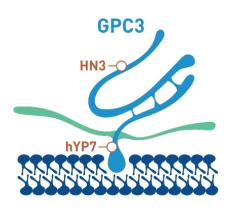
IND: Investigational New Drug CTCL: Cutaneous T-cell lymphoma IIT: Investigator-Initiated Trial GBM: Glioblastoma Multiforme



## Glypican 3 (GPC3) HCC & Solid Tumors Franchise

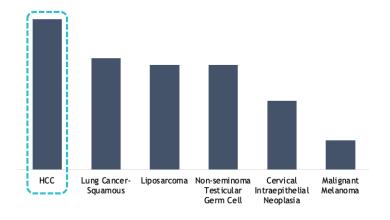
### GPC3: A Promising New Therapeutic Target for HCC and Other Solid Tumors



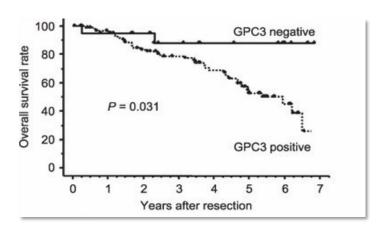


oncofetal antigen expressed on the cell membrane of HCC & other select solid tumors, while predominantly absent in normal tissue.

## GPC3 Relative Expression in Solid Tumors



## GPC3 Blood Levels Correlate with Severity of Disease

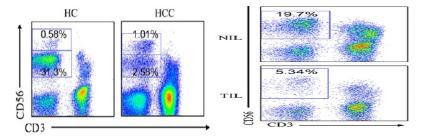


### NK Cell Status in HCC

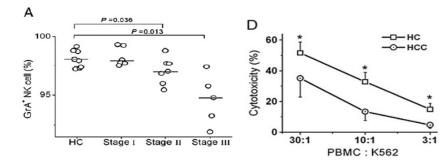


## HCC Blood HCC Tumor Infiltrating NK cells NK cells

**HCC NK Cytotoxicity** 

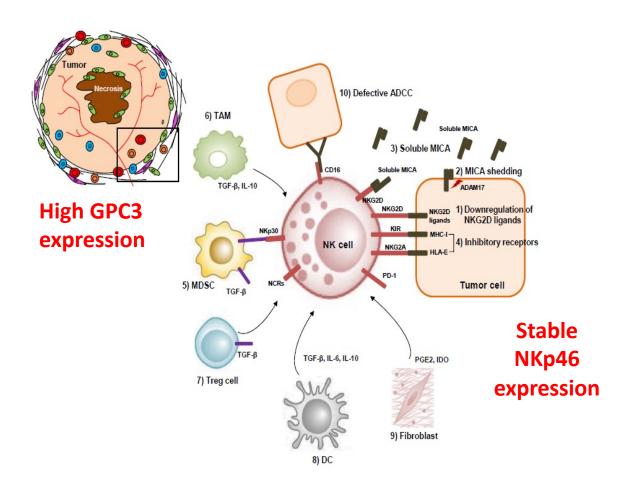


#### **HCC Granzyme A**



Cai L et al Clin Immunol 2008 Sung P et al Int J Mol Scien 2018

#### **HCC NK cell dysfunction mechanisms**



### CYT-303 Bispecific Antibody Combination Therapy Options in HCC



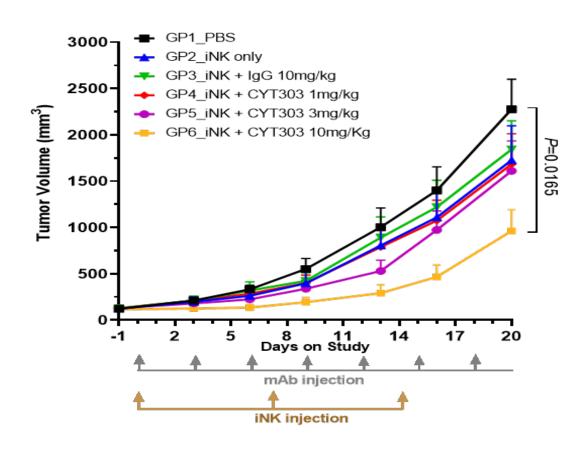
CYT-303 NK engager For HCC CYT-303 NK cell engager
combination with iNK CYT-100
or
CYT-303 NK cell engager
precomplexed with iNK CYT-100

CYT-303 NK cell engager combination with Atezo +Bev checkpoint inhibitor refractory patients (2<sup>nd</sup> line immunotherapy)

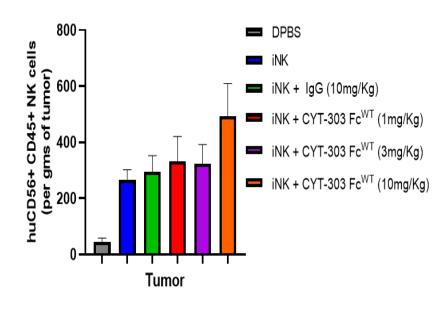
# CYT-303 Antibody Combination with iNK Cells Demonstrates Dose-Dependent Anti-Tumor Efficacy in HCC Tumor Models



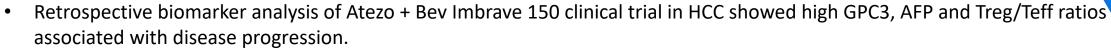
#### **CYT-303 Tumor Growth Inhibition**



#### **PBNK Tumor Infiltration**

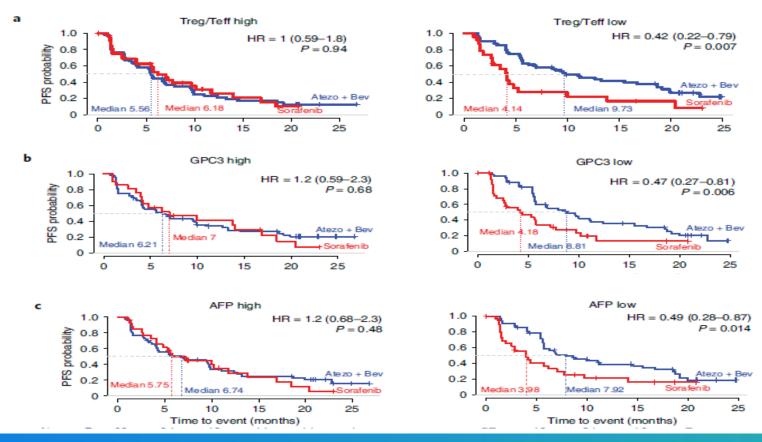


# Rationale for CYT-303 Combination Therapy with Checkpoint Immunotherapy in HCC





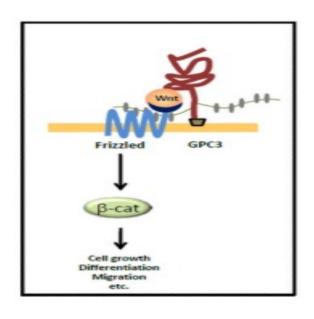
Since CYT-303 can activate NK cells and reduce HCC tumor burden high GPC3 and AFP levels in HCC can be converted to low GPC3
and AFP signatures associated with response to Atezo + Bev checkpoint



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# GPC3-Mediated Wnt/beta Catenin Signaling is Pro-Tumorgenic and Excludes Immune Cells in HCC

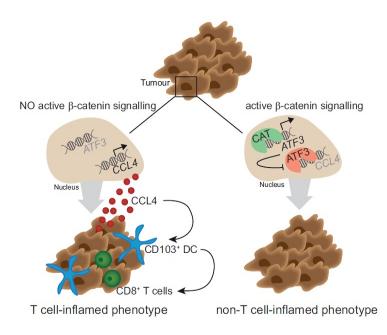
## **GPC3 induces HCC proliferation** via Wnt/beta Catenin pathway



(M Ho et al 2011)

 High tumor GPC3 levels are known to be associated with increased Wnt / beta catenin oncogenic signaling resulting in HCC tumor proliferation

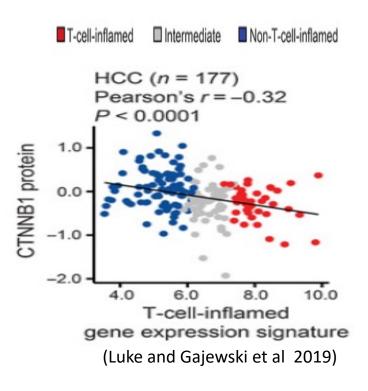
## Wnt/beta Catenin activation results in T cell exclusion in TME



(Spranger and Gajewski et al 2015)

Wnt/beta catenin signaling activates ATF-3
transcription factor that <u>represses</u> chemokine
(CCL4) production and DC migration to tumor
resulting in T cell exclusion in TME

## High beta Catenin associated with Non-inflamed T cells in HCC TME



 Increased beta catenin levels show reduced T cell inflamed signatures in HCC and other solid tumors (TCGA data)

### CYT-303 Shows Subnanomolar Binding to Human NKp46 and GPC3



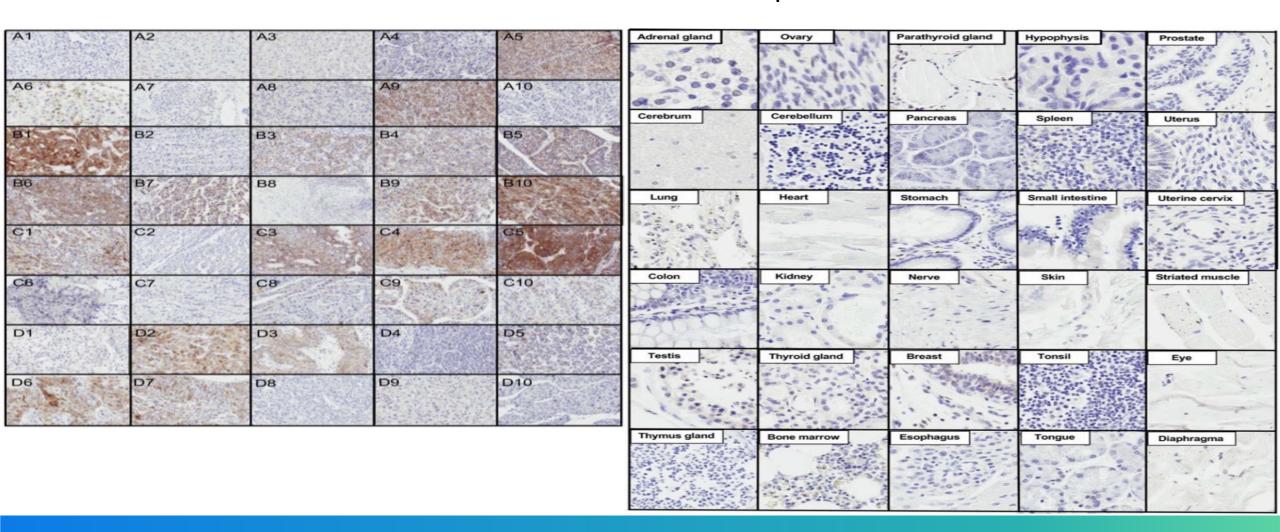
### Cross-reactivity against cynomolgus monkey for toxicology studies

Target	Human Ligands (nM)	Cyno Ligands (nM)	Mouse Ligands (nM)
GPC3	K <sub>D</sub> =0.646	K <sub>D</sub> =0.273	K <sub>D</sub> =0.447
NKP46	$K_D = 0.202$	$K_D = 2910$	KD= no binding
CD16	K <sub>D</sub> =642 F K <sub>D</sub> =147 V	K <sub>D</sub> =140	K <sub>D</sub> =4980

### CYT-303 GPC3 Binder Does Not Show Any Significant Human Tissue Crossreactivity

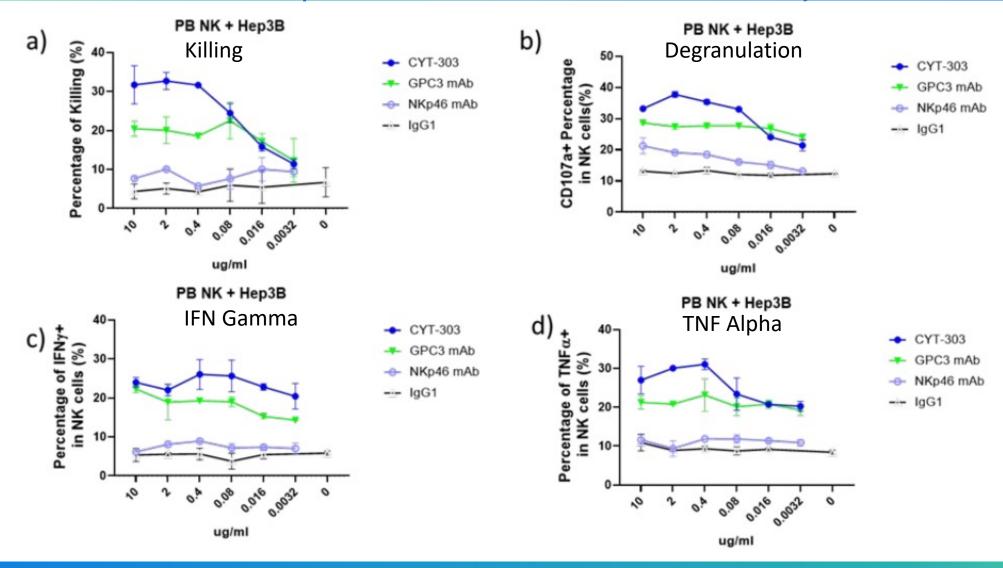
#### **GPC3 Expression in HCC Tumor Tissues**

#### **GPC3 Expression in Different Human Normal Tissues**



# CYT-303 Engager NK Cell Redirected HCC Killing is Superior to GPC3 Monoclonal Antibody

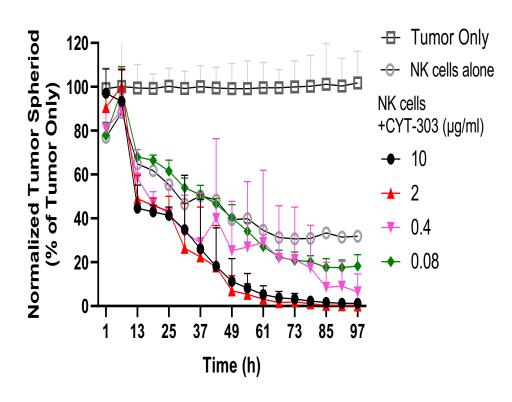




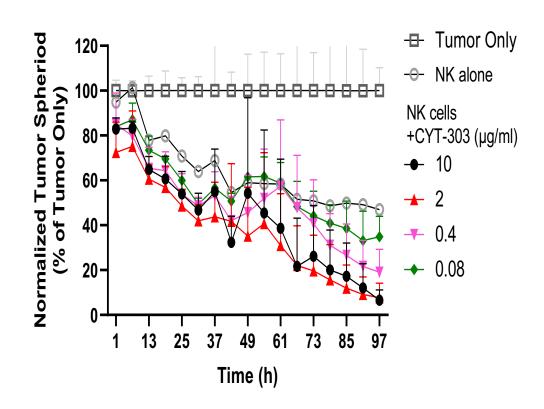
### CYT-303 Enhances iNK and PBNK Cytolysis of HCC Tumor Spheroids



#### **iNK CYT-100 killing**

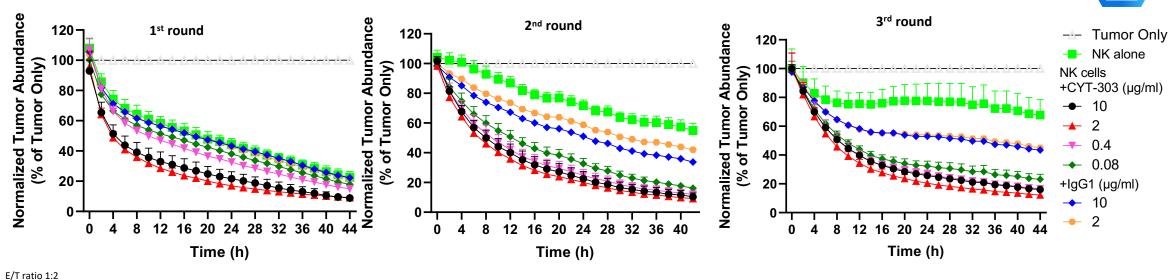


#### **PBNK** killing



# CYT-303 Enhances HCC Tumor Killing & Reverses Dysfunction of PBNK Cells During Serial Killing

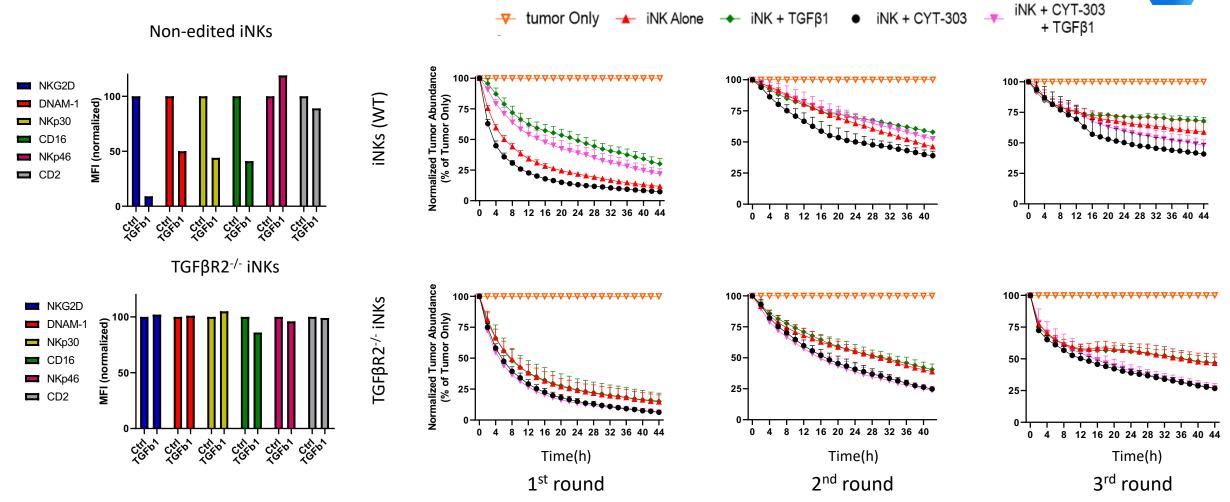




- → PBNK cells alone showed gradual reduction in serial killing of Hep3B tumors suggesting dysfunction of these cells over time
- → CYT-303 reversed dysfunction of PBNKs and enhanced serial killing of Hep3B tumors in a dose dependent manner

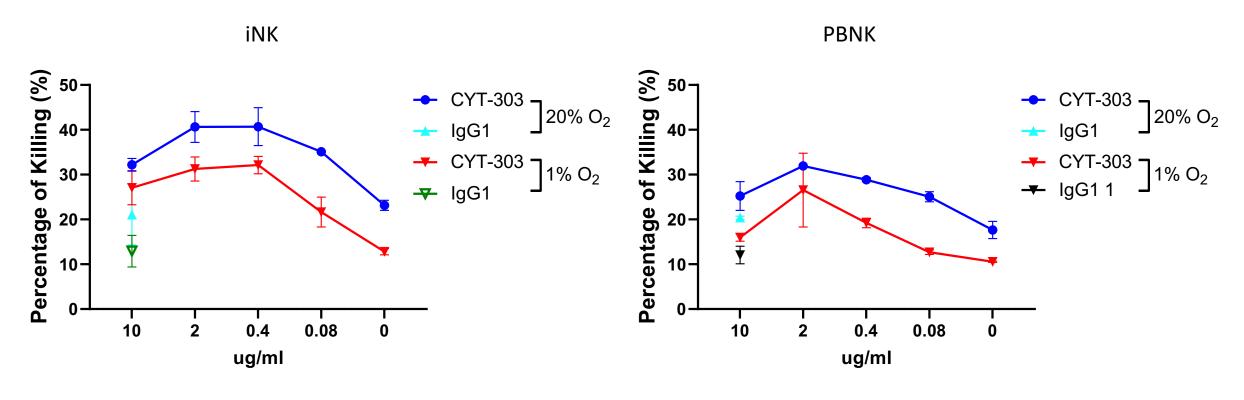
# CYT-303 Enhances Killing & Reverses Dysfunction of iNK Cells During Serial Killing Even in the Presence of TGF $\beta$





### CYT-303 Reverses Hypoxia-Induced PBNK Dysfunction to Kill HCC Tumors





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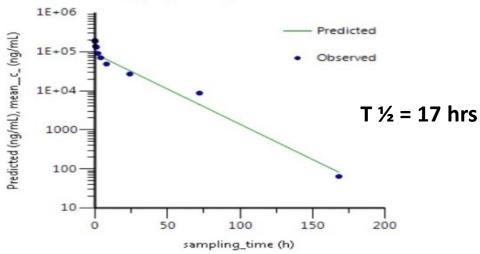
#### CYT-303 Pharmacokinetics in Mouse



→ In addition to FcRn binding antibody half life is dependent on amino acid sequences and % mannose content due to clearance by mannose receptors

#### **CYT-303 Flex NK engager**

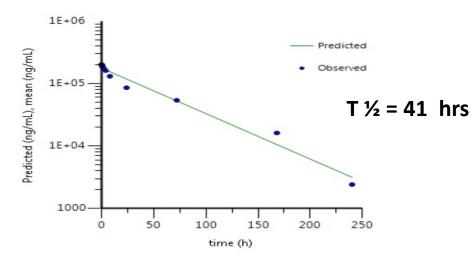
NCA – 2h-168h (6 points)



Parameter	Unit	Estimate_data 1
AUC(0-t)	ng*h/mL	2531406
AUC(0-inf)	ng*h/mL	2532968
DNAUC	h*kg*ng/mL/mg	253297
T1/2	h	17
MRT	h	28
CL	mL/h/kg	3.9
VSS	mL/kg	112

#### **CYT-338 Flex NK engager**

NCA: 0.08h-240h (10 points)



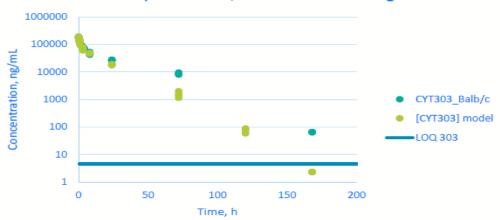
Parameter	Unit	Estimate
AUC(0-t)	ng*h/mL	10399858
AUC(0-inf)	ng*h/mL	10543701
DNAUC	h*kg*ng/mL/mg	1054370.1
T1/2	h	41.34
MRT	h	61.66
CL	mL/h/kg	0.95
VSS	mL/kg	58.48

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# CYT-303 Single Dose PK in Normal and Tumor-Bearing Mice Showing Some Evidence of TMD



#### CYT303 PK profile balb/c and tumor-bearing mice



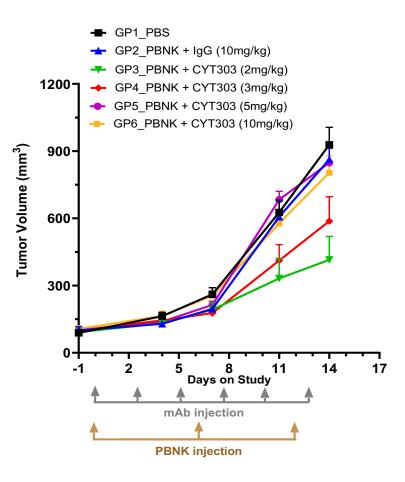
NCA an	alysis WNL	CYT303 estimate		
Parameter Unit		Balb/c	Tumor-bearing mice	
AUC(0-t)	ng*h/mL	2529406	1654265	
AUC(0-inf)	ng*h/mL	2529884	1654303	
DNAUC	h*kg*ng/mL/mg	252988	165430	
T1/2	h	14	11.4	
MRT	h	28	14.8	
CL	mL/h/kg	4.0	6.0	
vss	mL/kg	111	89.5	

Source: PK study report form Onco-design

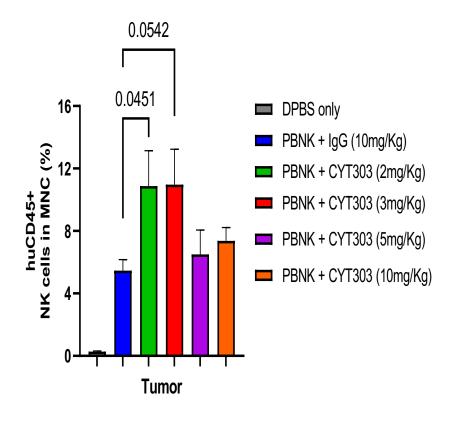
# CYT-303 Anti-HCC Tumor Dose Response Correlates with Increased PBNK Trafficking from Blood to the Tumor



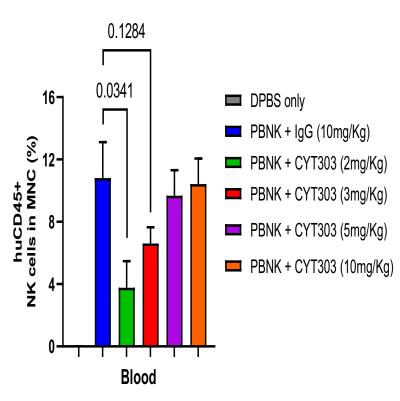
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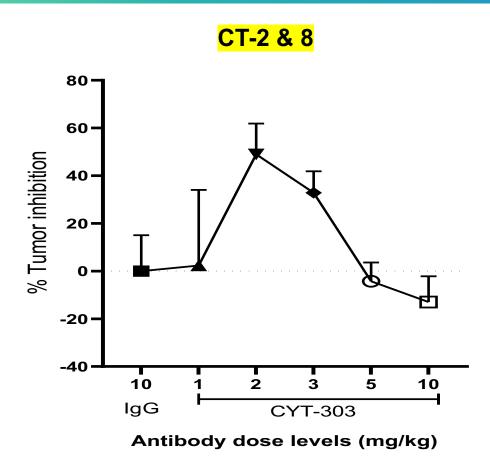
#### **PBNK Pharmacodynamics in blood**



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# CYT-303 Dose Response is Representative of Immune Synapse in PBNK Humanized HCC Tumor Model





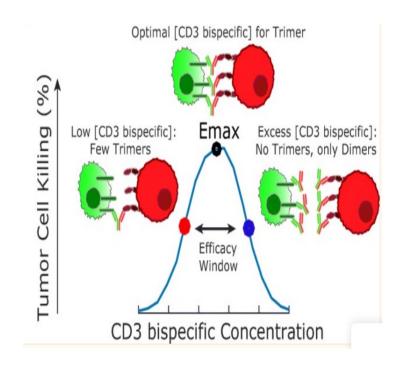


Illustration of MOA for bell shape activities for engagers

Source: Study report to be generated

# CYT-303 Does Not Show Any Human Cytokine Release or Immunotoxicity In-Vitro

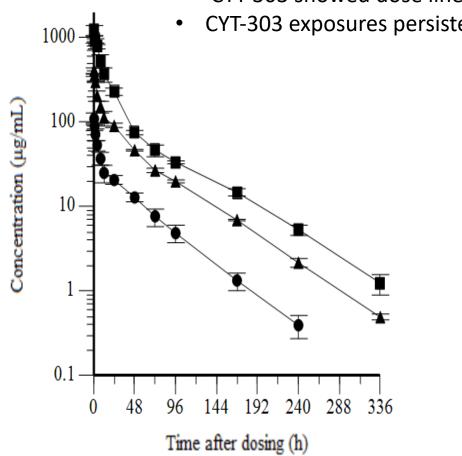


- CYT-303 showed no significant cytokine release in human PBMCs whilst the positive control TGN1412 super agonist anti-CD28 and anti-CD3 mAbs showed robust cytokine release
- CYT-303 did not show any NK cell fratricide whilst Anti-CD38 Daratumuab readily induced fratricide
- CYT-303 did not show any depletion of immune cell subsets including T. NK, B and monocytes while Daratumuab readily induced depletion of NK cells and monocytes

### CYT-303 Pharmacokinetics in Cynomolgus Monkeys Supports Weekly Dosing in Clinical Trials

- CYT-303 was well tolerated and showed no evidence for any treatment related cytokine release
- CYT-303 showed dose liner pharmacokinetics parameters with a T ½ of 39-47 hrs

• CYT-303 exposures persisted for > 1 week supporting weekly dosing in clinical trials



Pharmacokinetic parameters of CYT-303 are shown in the following table.

Dose	C <sub>max</sub>	AUC <sub>0-168h</sub>	T <sub>max</sub>	T <sub>1/2</sub>	Vdss
(mg/kg)	(µg/mL)	$(\mu g {\cdot} h/mL)$	(h)	(h)	(mL/kg)
6	109 ±16.9	1910 ±286	0.500	39.0 ±1.48	136 ±13.5
20	408 ±26.9	7740 ±302	0.500	44.3 ±0.651	118 ±8.39
60	1240 ±175	19800 ±1530	0.500	47.6 ±3.11	115 ±20.6

Data represent the mean ±SD of three animals.

# 4-Week Toxicity Study with CYT-303 in Cynomolgus Monkeys with a 6-Week Recovery following Once Weekly IV infusion (GLP)



**Study objective:** To evaluate the toxicity, safety pharmacology, PK and immunogenicity of CYT-303 following 4 weekly doses.

Group	Test and Control Articles	Dose Level (mg/kg)	Dose Volume (mL/kg)	Concentration (mg/mL)	Necropsy	Number o (Anima Males	
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1	Control*	_	5	_	Terminal	3	3
'	Control	- 5	3	3	Recovery	2	2
2	CYT-303	6	5	1.2	Terminal	3	3
3	CYT-303	20	5	4	Terminal	3	3
4	CYT-303	60	5	12	Terminal	3	3
4	C11-303	00	5	12	Recovery	2	2

#### **Results:**

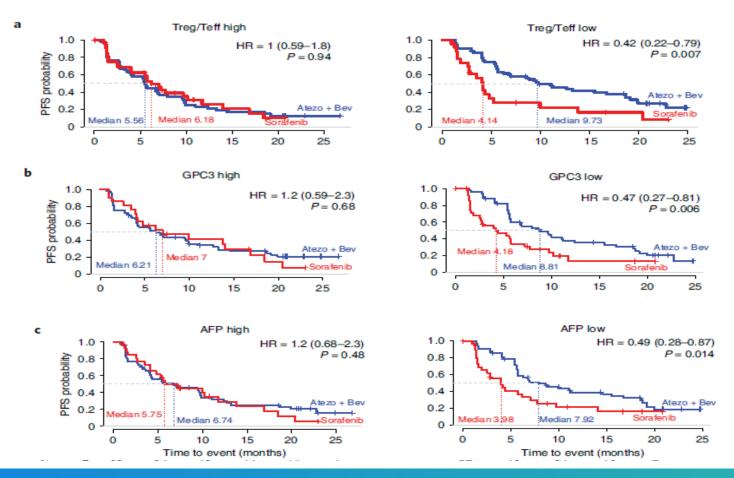
- Well tolerated and no treatment related toxicitys
- No evidence for cytokine release (based on cytokine measurements and clinical pathology assessments)
- CYT-303 dose dependent increases in Cmax and AUC's were observed following the first and last dose and no evidence for accumulation was observed. CYT-303 exposures were maintained throughout the 4- week duration of the study.
- ADA occurred in 1 /22 animals (6 mg/kg group) and as expected was associated with reduced CYT-303 levels in this animal.
- NOAEL in the study was the highest dose administered in the study = 60 mg/Kg.

#### **Conclusion:**

• The results from the tox studies together with efficacy in tumor models support a PAD (pharmacologically active dose) based approach for first in human dosing in clinical trials.

# Rationale for CYT-303 Combination Therapy with Check Point Immunotherapy Retrospective Biomarker Analysis of Atezo + Bev First Line HCC Immunotherapy Approval

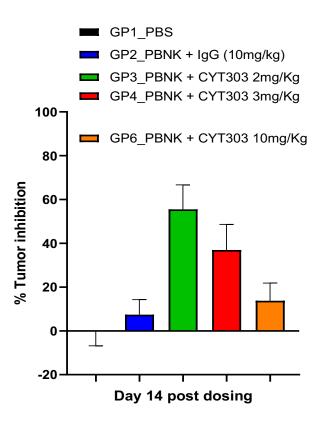
 Since CYT-303 can activate NK cells and reduce HCC tumor burden high GPC3 and AFP levels can be converted to low GPC3 and AFP signatures that are responsive to Atezo + Bev first line immunotherapy



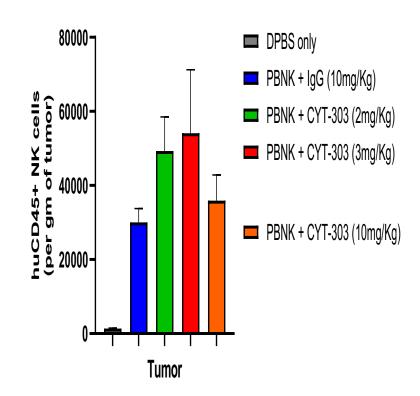
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# CYT-303 Activates NK Cells and Reduces HCC Tumor Burden and Blood AFP Levels: Converts Non Responder Atezo + Bev Signature Responder Atezo + Bev Signature

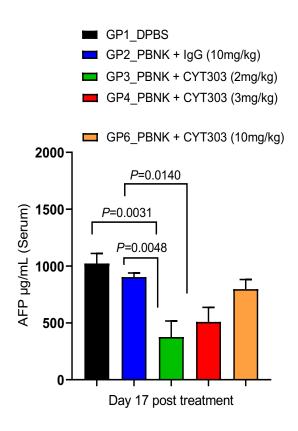
#### **HCC Tumor growth Inhibition**



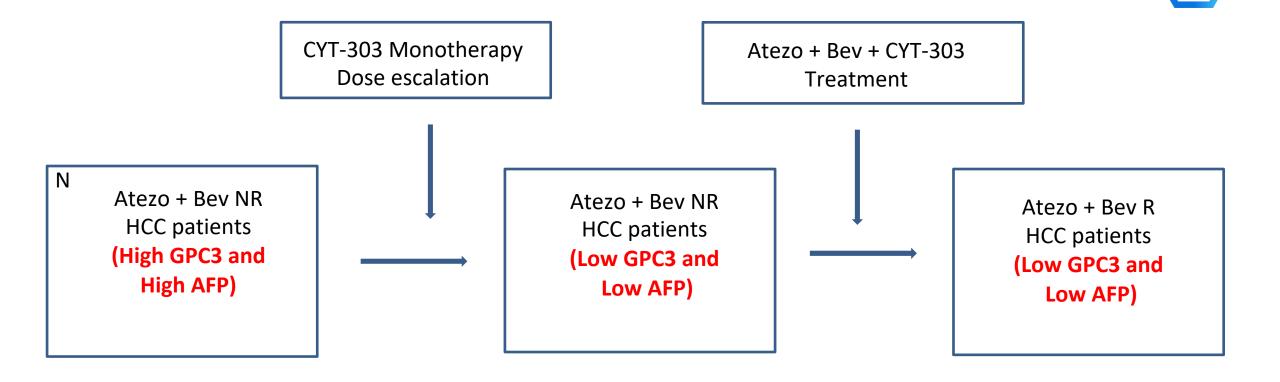
# PBNK activation and expansion in tumor



#### **Blood biomarker AFP reductions**



### HCC Biomarker Based CYT-303 Monotherapy Primes Responses to Atezo + Bev Checkpoint Combination Second Line Immunotherapy in Advanced HCC



NR = non responder

R = responder

### CYT-303 Progress Towards IND



Milestones	CYT-303
In vitro data	
In vivo data	
Process Development	
GLP Batch	
Pharmacokinetics	
FDA pre-IND Meeting	
GLP Toxicology	
GMP Manufacturing	2023
IND Submission	2023

**GLP: Good Laboratory Practices** 

IND: Investigational New Drug Application

**GMP:** Good Manufacturing Practices

- ➤ GPC3 Flex-NK<sup>TM</sup> Cell Engagers Showed to Redirect NK Cells to Kill HCC Tumors Cells *in vitro* (data presented at AACR 2022)
- ➤ The Combination of CYT-303 and iNKs Showed Greater Tumor Growth Inhibition Compared to iNKs Alone in HCC mouse model (data presented at AACR 2022)
- CYT-303 Demonstrated Dose Dependent Anti-Tumor Efficacy in Combination with donor derived PBNK or iNK Cells in HCC Tumor Models (data presented at ESMO 2022)
- CYT-303 PK Data in Non Human Primates Supported Weekly Administration in Patients (data presented at SITC 2022)
- No toxicity of CYT-303 at up to 20 times expected therapeutic dose in 4-week repeat dose cynomolgus monkey study (data presented at SITC 2022)

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