



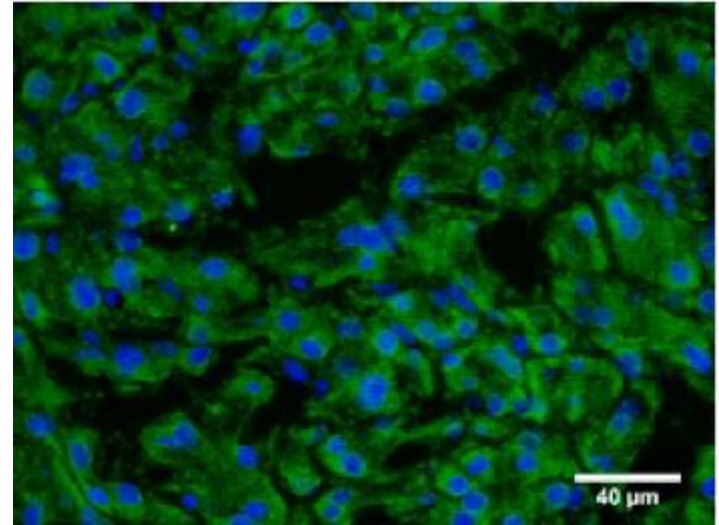
CPD 100Li - A Novel Targeting Prodrug For Oncology

# Executive Summary

- Cascade's lead molecule, **CPD100Li**, demonstrates remarkable preclinical results in multiple cancers, and in particular, **Pancreatic Cancer**.
- Our compound is effective in **combination therapy** with both **immuno-oncology (I/O)** and **chemotherapeutic** agents.
- We are transitioning into the IND (Investigational New Drug) phase of development and are **scaling up manufacturing**.
- Securing market exclusivity after the drug is introduced into the clinics, we have obtained **Orphan Drug Designation (ODD) from the FDA for the treatment of Pancreatic Cancer**.
- Our current offer is a **\$3M convertible note**.
- These funds will support advancing the compound to IND status and support the attainment of critical milestones -- enhancing engagement with potential strategic partners.

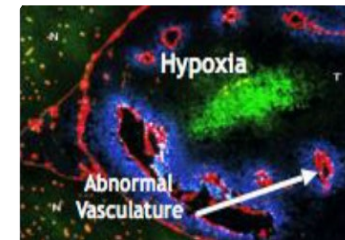
# Pancreatic Cancer

- Pancreatic Cancer is the second leading cause of death from cancer. It is a significant unmet medical need with 5-year survival < 5%
- Patient incidence in major markets (US/EU) is well over 50,000 cases/year
- Market potential for a new entrant with improved efficacy and safety compared to the current standard of care is estimated to be > \$1 Billion
- Current standard of care (chemotherapy) is largely ineffective, despite multiple attempts with various agents and combination therapies
- Exceptional preclinical data with CPD100Li in Pancreatic cancer model warrants continued investment
- Pancreatic Cancer creates a very “hypoxic” tumor microenvironment (TME)



\*pancreatic tumor regions of hypoxia in green

# Hypoxia – What is it, and why is it important?



- Hypoxia (Hypo = Less/Low, Oxia = Oxygen), i.e. low oxygen concentration, is a **common feature of a solid tumor's microenvironment**.
- Effectively, the tumor “outgrows” its blood supply resulting in a below normal oxygen tension/concentration and leads to a more acidic region surrounding and within the tumor.
- High Acidity and Low Oxygen tension create a hostile environment surrounding the tumor that is **highly toxic to many compounds and drugs**, reducing effective drug penetration and efficacy.
- This TME (Tumor Microenvironment) negatively impacts the effects of chemo or immuno-oncology (I/O) treatments.
- And...was the topic of the 2019 Nobel Prize!!!



The 2019 Nobel Prize honors fundamental discoveries in hypoxia response

Javid Moslehi, W. Kimryn Rathmell

*J Clin Invest.* 2020;130(1):4-6. <https://doi.org/10.1172/JCI134813>.

# Hypoxia – What is it, and why is it important?



- Hypoxia provides **multiple targeting opportunities**:
  - ✓ Prodrugs designed to accumulate in **hypoxic tumor** compartments.
  - ✓ Develop **"hypoxia biomarkers"** for optimizing patient selection.
- **Pancreatic Cancer's** extremely low oxygen levels presents a prime target for a **focused, and highly activated** chemotherapeutic warhead

JCI

The Journal of Clinical Investigation

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\*Oxygen Levels (pO<sub>2</sub> in mmHg) using electrode probes

Tumor Type	Normal Tissue	Tumor Tissue
Pancreas	57	2
Brain	26	13
Lung	N/A	16
Breast	52	10
Cervix	42	9

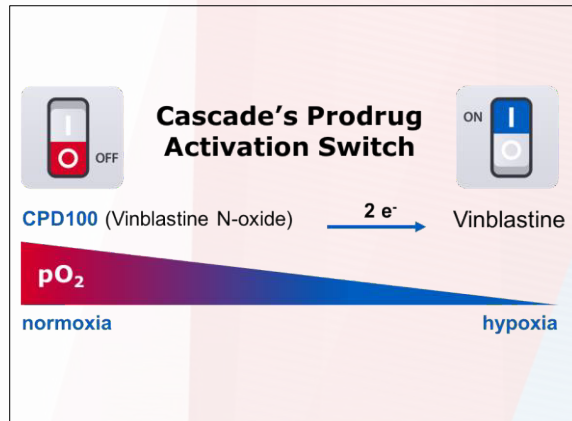
# THE SOLUTION:

**A ProDrug that targets the Hypoxic Tumor  
Microenvironment (TME) increasing the  
effectiveness of standard chemotherapeutic  
and Immuno-Oncology treatments**



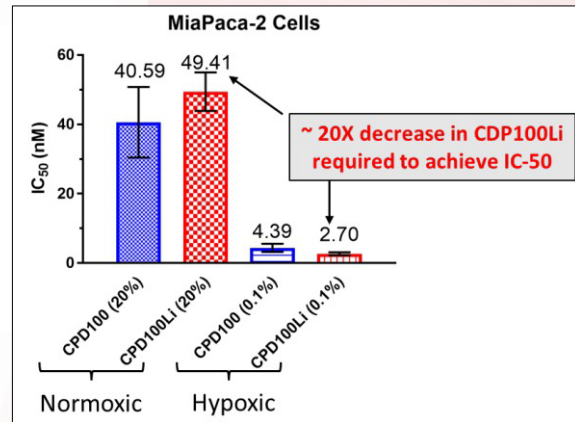
# CPD100Li

- A Prodrug that is **activated selectively in hypoxic regions** of tumor
- It is formulated in **liposomes** to optimize pharmacokinetics (PK) and safety
- Mechanism of Action (MOA) is via the warhead molecule, vinblastine, a **tubulin inhibitor** which blocks tumor cell division



# CPD100Li

- **Increased activity against tumor cell cultures exposed to hypoxic conditions**
- Targeting of tumor hypoxia results in higher therapeutic index:
  - ✓ Less normal tissue toxicity = **Fewer systemic side effects**
  - ✓ Higher MTDs (Maximum Tolerated Dose) in vivo = **Increased Efficacy**
  - ✓ Selective accumulation of activated cytotoxic drug in hypoxic tumor tissue = **Targeted Warhead**
  - ✓ Enriched hypoxic tumor cell killing = **Increased Accuracy** and Efficacy
- Alters the TME (Tumor Microenvironment) - **eliminating the tumor associated cells** supporting the cancerous growth, metastasis & immunosuppression





# CPD100Li Efficacy in Pancreatic Cancer Model

## Human Panc-1 orthotopic model, Mono and Combo Therapy

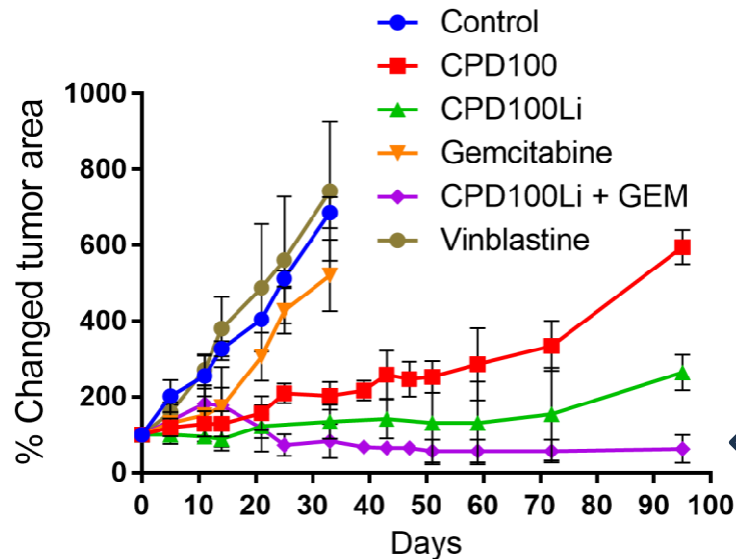
CPD100Li is active as monotherapy and in combination with gemcitabine (GEM) in Panc-1 model

Result:

- **Strong synergy in combination with GEM**
- **CPD100Li prodrug more active than vinblastine alone**

Dosing regimen:

- CPD100 and CPD100Li at 40mg/kg weekly for eight cycles
- GEM at 100 mg/kg biweekly six cycles
- Vinblastine at 5 mg/kg eight cycles
- CPD100Li at 40mg/kg weekly for eight cycles and GEM at 100 mg/kg biweekly six cycles



# CPD100Li Efficacy in Human Lung Cancer Model

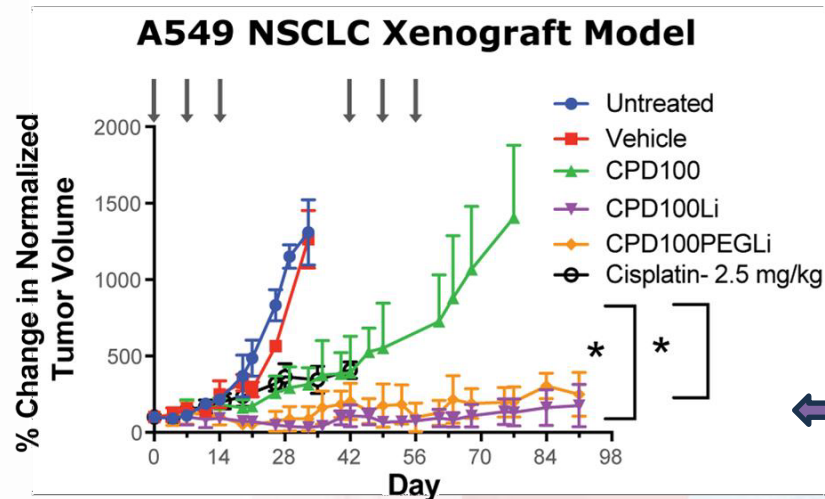
## A549 NSCLC Xenograft, Mono Therapy

Result:

- *Prolonged tumor growth inhibition with CPD100Li*

Dosing regimen:

- CPD100 dosed at 40 mg/kg (iv) in all on-treatment cohorts
- Cisplatin dosed at 2.5 mg/kg (MTD)

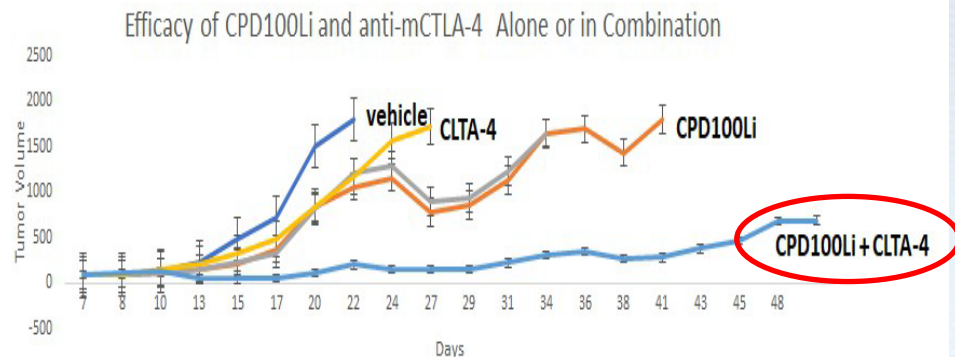


# CPD100Li Efficacy in Syngeneic Colon Cancer Model

**CT26.WT Murine Colon Carcinoma in Female BALB/c mice, Mono and Combo w/CTLA-4**

Result:

- CPD100Li demonstrated **strong synergistic response in combination with anti-CTLA-4**
  - Significant prolonged tumor growth inhibition vs CTLA-4 or CPD100Li alone
  - Effect on immunosuppressive cells support demonstrated synergy with anti-CTLA-4



# Our Leadership Team



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Co-Founder|ProDrug Development

- Senior Executive for Invitrogen Corp
- Former President of Molecular Probes
- Key inventor on 35 issued US Patents



**Allan Cochrane**

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- Former President Epoch Pharmaceuticals
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- Adjunct Professor University of Oregon, Lundquist College of Business



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Chief Financial Officer

- Former President Monaco Coach Corp
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Board Observer & Advisor

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- Orthopedic Trauma Surgeon
- Former President Slocum Center for Orthopedics & Sports Medicine
- Former CMO Trillium Community Health Plan & Health Net of Oregon



**Dr. David Regan**

Director of Medical Affairs

- Oncology field veteran & expert
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- EDM Bio Consulting
- Former SVP Corporate Development Threshold Pharmaceuticals
- Previously, BiPar Sciences, Allos Therapeutics, Gilead Sciences, JNJ



**Armen B. Shanafelt, PH.D.**

Board Member

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**John Keana, PH.D.** | Chemistry R&D

**Matthew Taylor, M.D.** | Oncologist/Early Clinical trials

**Christopher Klemm, PH.D.** (Observer)

# Pathway to Pre-IND Meeting & Use of Investor Funds

## CMC

- Develop liposome formulation & pilot lot
- CPD100 DS GLP lot
- CDP100 DP GLP lot

## Pharmacology

- Panc xenograft dose response
- CEREP off target screen

## PK

- CYP Phenotyping & Induction
- Dog PK
- Rat PK
- PGP & PPB studies
- Bioanalytical method validation

## Tox

- Rat DRF
- Dog DRF

## Regulatory

- Pre-IND prep and meeting

## Clinical

- Protocol Synopsis



Contract vendor providing development services

Pathway to and thru Pre-IND Meeting with FDA:	~ \$2 M
G&A and Working Capital:	~ \$1 M
TOTAL:	\$3 M

# Investment Terms and Rationale

- \$3 Million Convertible Note
  - **20% discount** off Next Raise or **\$35M Market Valuation Cap**
  - **Interest rate 9%**
- Mitigates valuation and investment risk for our investors
- Reserving \$1.5 million, 50% of raise, for existing investors
- IND phase development significantly increases the value and likelihood of business development terms in favor of the company





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