



# Harnessing Newly Discovered Pathways in Immunology Effected by Extracellular tRNA Synthetases

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## **Research:**

Discover innovative therapeutic candidates based on extracellular functionality of tRNA synthetases

Initial focus on extracellular histidyl-tRNA synthetase (HARS)

## **Development:**

ATYR1923 (interstitial lung diseases) in ongoing Phase 1 trial

ORCA antibody program (immunooncology) in IND enabling activities

#### **Financials:**

2017 year-end cash and investments at \$85.1M\* Cash runway into 3Q 2019

### **Upcoming Catalysts:**

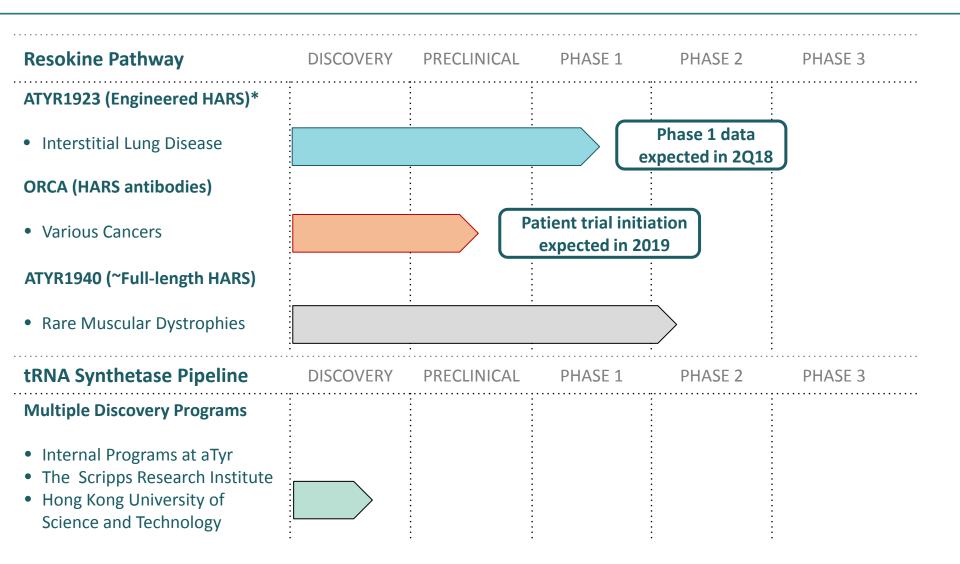
ATYR1923 Phase 1 data – 2Q 2018

First publication of ORCA data at key oncology and immunology conferences in 2018



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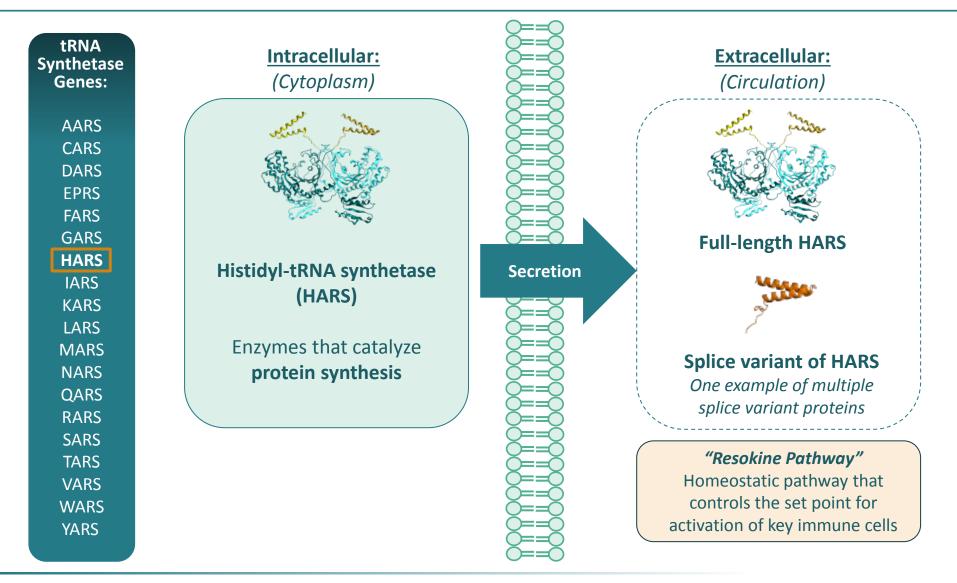
# **Therapeutic Candidate Pipeline**



**\*HARS:** Histidyl-tRNA synthetase



## **Resokine: Extracellular Proteins Derived From HARS Gene**



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aTyr has built an intellectual property estate, to protect its pipeline, comprising over 300 potential protein compositions derived from all 20 human tRNA synthetase genes.

Acts on both CD4 and CD8 T cells

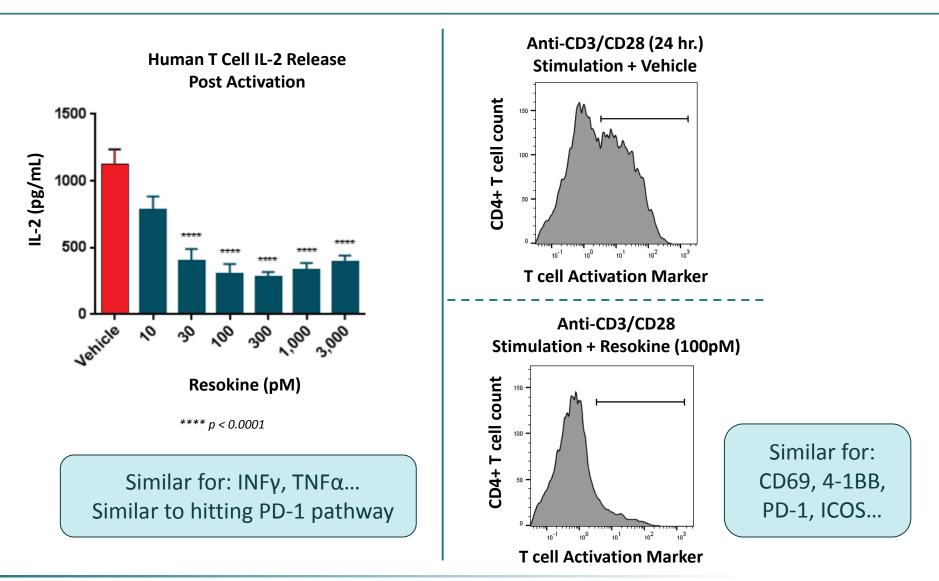
Effector functions at levels closer to a resting T cell

Stimulatory pathways at levels closer to a resting T cell

Shifts trafficking and residence closer to a resting T cell



# **Resokine Regulates T Cell Activation**



**Graphs on Right:** T cells were stimulated with anti-CD3/CD28 antibodies in the presence of vehicle or Resokine. **Pharma** After 24 hours, supernatants were collected and analyzed by ELISA. Statistics by T test.



ATYR1923 for the Treatment of Interstitial Lung Diseases Engineered HARS Splice Variant (iMod.Fc)

### ATYR1923 (iMod.Fc):

Engineered fusion protein with HARS splice variant Refer to splice variant as the "iMod domain" (iMod for <u>i</u>mmuno-<u>mod</u>ulatory function)

#### Patients:

Interstitial lung diseases (ILDs) characterized by an immune component

#### Mechanism:

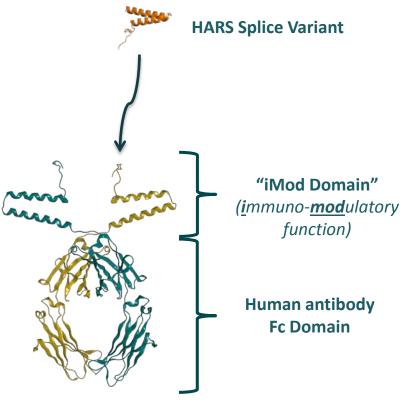
Regulation of T cell activation via the Resokine pathway

#### **Rationale:**

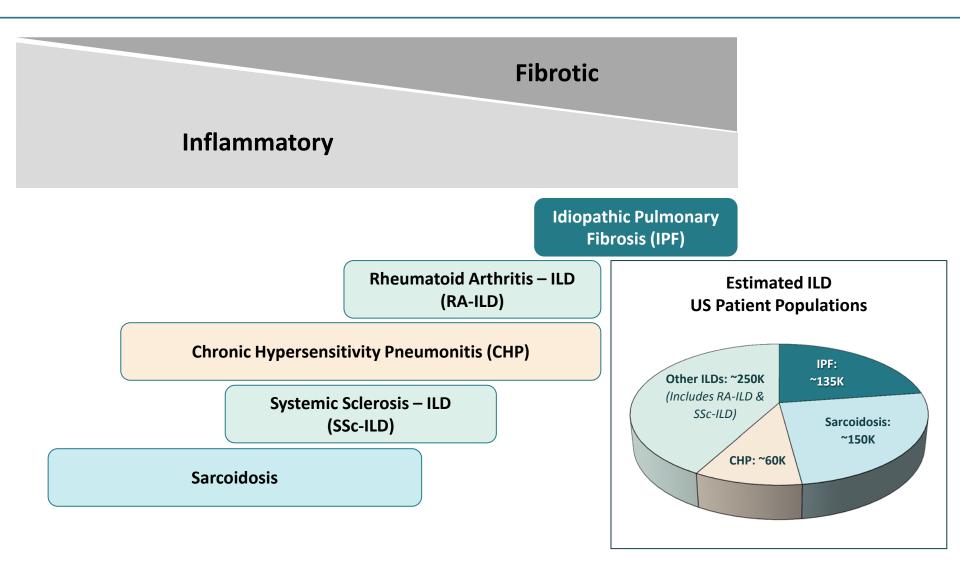
Functional knockout of Resokine pathway in humans and rodents results in T cell mobilization and lung damage Immune dysfunction is key to pathophysiology of ILDs

### **Target Dosing:**

Improved pharmacokinetic profile that supports once/twice monthly IV infusion



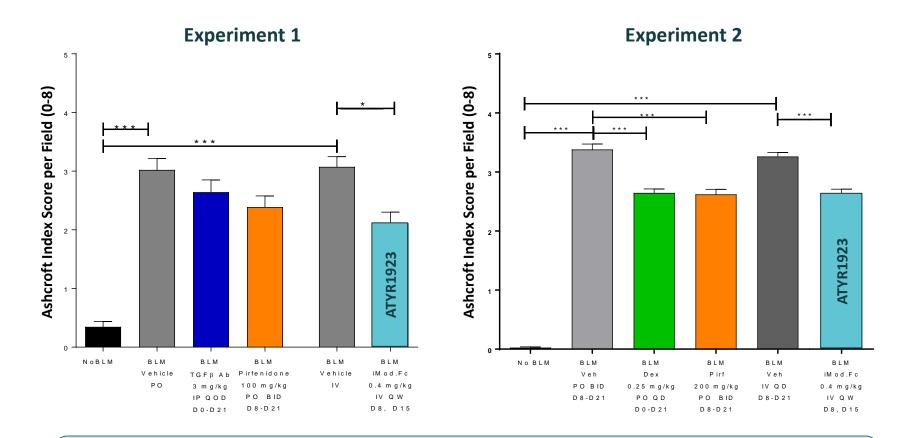
# Interstitial Lung Diseases Share Persistent Immune Engagement



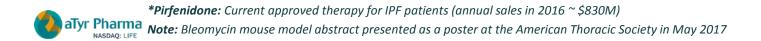


Slide adapted from Dr. Steven Nathan, Medical Director, Advanced Lung Disease and Transplant Program at Inova Fairfax Hospital, Falls Church, VA

# ATYR1923 Ameliorates Fibrosis in Bleomycin-Induced Lung Injury



ATYR1923 (iMod.Fc) administered therapeutically at 0.4 mg/kg weekly drives efficacy comparable to or greater than Pirfenidone\*, anti-TGF antibodies, and dexamethasone



# ATYR1923 Clinical Development for Interstitial Lung Diseases

#### **Clinical Overview**

Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled studies to investigate the <u>safety</u>, <u>tolerability</u>, <u>immunogenicity</u>, <u>pharmacokinetics</u> and <u>pharmacodynamics</u> of intravenous ATYR1923 (iMod.Fc) in healthy volunteers and patients with interstitial lung disease.

#### Phase 1 - Healthy Volunteers:

- 36 subjects across 6 dose cohorts
- Dosing (single infusion):
  - 0.03 mg/kg up to potentially 5.0 mg/kg
- ✓ First subjects dosed in the fourth quarter of 2017
- Data expected in 2Q 2018

#### Phase 2 - Interstitial Lung Disease patients with an immune component:

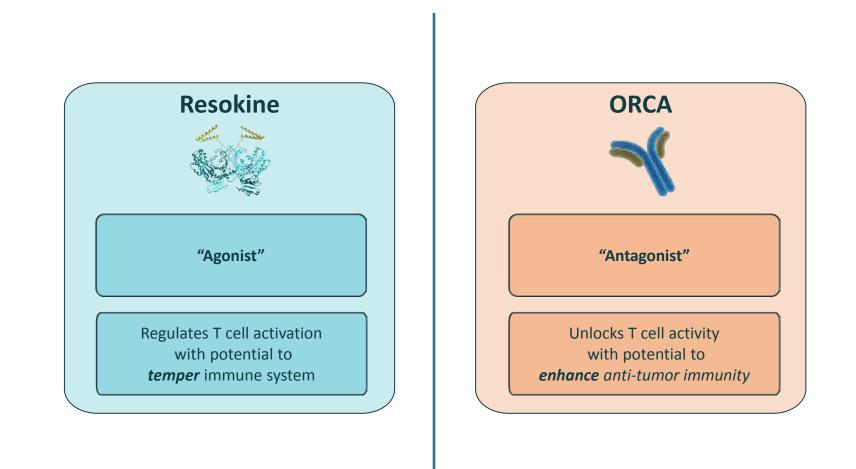
• Collaborating with industry leading clinicians to develop patient trials for ATYR1923





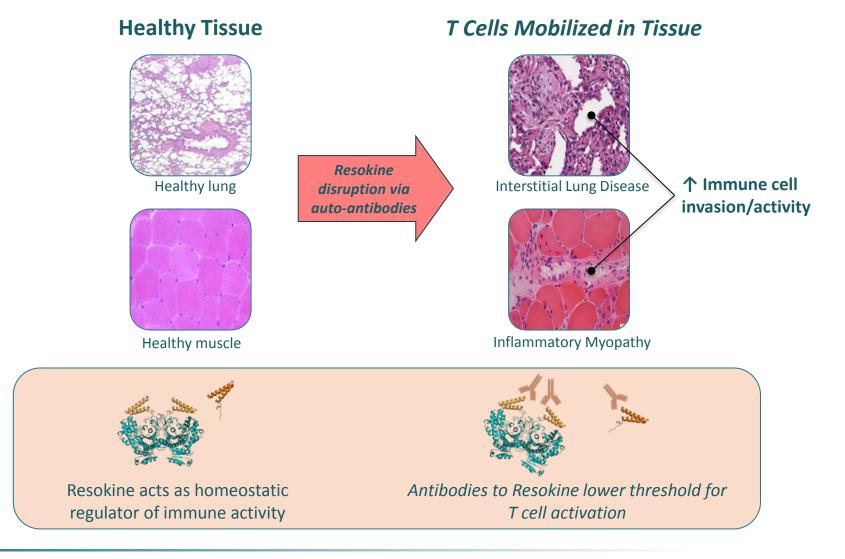
ORCA – Targeting a Novel Immune Set Point for Cancer Patients Antibodies to the Resokine Pathway

# Regulating T Cells to Temper or Enhance Anti-Tumor Immunity





# Anti-Synthetase Syndrome: Evidence of Resokine Pathway Relevance in a Human Disease Setting





\*100% (18 of 18) anti-synthetase syndrome patients tested positive for antibodies for Resokine proteins

# **ORCA Program: Snapshot**

## **Patients:**

Potentially all cancer types:

- >450 patient samples in over 10 tumor types tested
- ~95% of cancer patients tested positive for Resokine

## Target:

**Resokine pathway** 

## **Therapeutic Concept:**

Antibody to block Resokine activity, increases T cell engagement

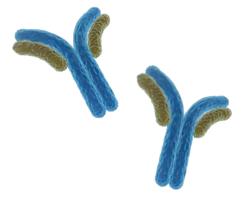
### **Rationale:**

Human evidence of Resokine antibody changing T cell behavior (anti-synthetase syndrome patients) Phenotype replicated in animal functional knock-out models

## **Biomarker:**

Liquid biopsy correlates with tumor volume and efficacy







## In Vivo Efficacy Data

# Resokine Abs effective in multiple mouse syngeneic tumor models

 Outperformed checkpoint inhibitors (e.g. Abs to PD-1, PD-L1, CTLA-4) in various animal models

# Resokine Abs effective alone and in combination

 Efficacy potential as monotherapy and with checkpoint inhibitors (based on tumor model data)

## **Development Timelines**

## **Resokine antibody selection:**

 Panel of antibodies selected and in IND enabling activities

## **Present Data at Scientific Conferences:**

- ✓ Abstract at ASCO-SITC in January 2018
- □ Additional presentations in 2018

First clinical trial in patients:Initiate in 2019



## **2018 Strategic Goals:**

## **Advance Clinical Development**

• ATYR1923 Phase 1 ongoing with data in 2Q 2018

### Advance Immuno-Oncology Program

• IND-enabling activities ongoing for patient trials in 2019

## **Discovery and Pipeline Enhancement**

• Collaborating with academic institutions and ongoing internal programs to discover innovative therapeutic candidates from tRNA synthetase biology

## **Financials:**

✓ **\$85.1M**\* cash and investments as of 12/31/17; cash runway into 3Q 2019

✓ Market capitalization as of closing price on 12/31/17: ~\$144M\*\*



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