



## A New Path to Medicine

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# aTyr: A New Path to Medicine

**Mission:** Translate discoveries from our tRNA synthetase platform into new therapeutics for fibrosis, inflammation and cancer

## **Efzofitimod (ATYR1923)**

- Immunomodulator with novel MOA for fibrotic lung disease
- Favorable safety profile to date
- Clinical POC in pulmonary sarcoidosis supports program advancement and expansion to other ILD

## **Lead Indication: Pulmonary Sarcoidosis**







- Major form of ILD with limited treatment options and poor outcomes for many patients
- Orphan drug designation granted
- Positive Phase 1b/2a data for efzofitimod reported Sept. 2021
- Initiation of global pivotal Phase 3 EFZO-FIT™ study expected in Q3 2022

## **Platform and Target Validation**

- Efzofitimod clinical POC validates tRNA synthetase platform and NRP2 as a therapeutic target
- NRP2 antibody ATYR2810 advancing to Phase 1 in 2H 2022
- Future tRNA synthetase discovery work progressing

**Financials:** Cash, cash equivalents and investments at \$98.7m as of March 31, 2022

# aTyr Development Pipeline

PROGRAM	INDICATION	RESEARCH	PRECLINICAL	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3
	Pulmonary Sarcoidosis					
<b>Efzofitimod (ATYR1923)</b>	Other ILDs (CTD-ILD; CHP) <sup>(1)</sup>					
	Healthy Japanese Volunteers <sup>(2)</sup>					
<b>ATYR2810</b>	Solid Tumors					
<b>NRP2 mAbs</b>	Cancer; Inflammation					
<b>AARS-1; DARS-1<sup>(3)</sup></b>	Cancer; Fibrosis; Inflammation					

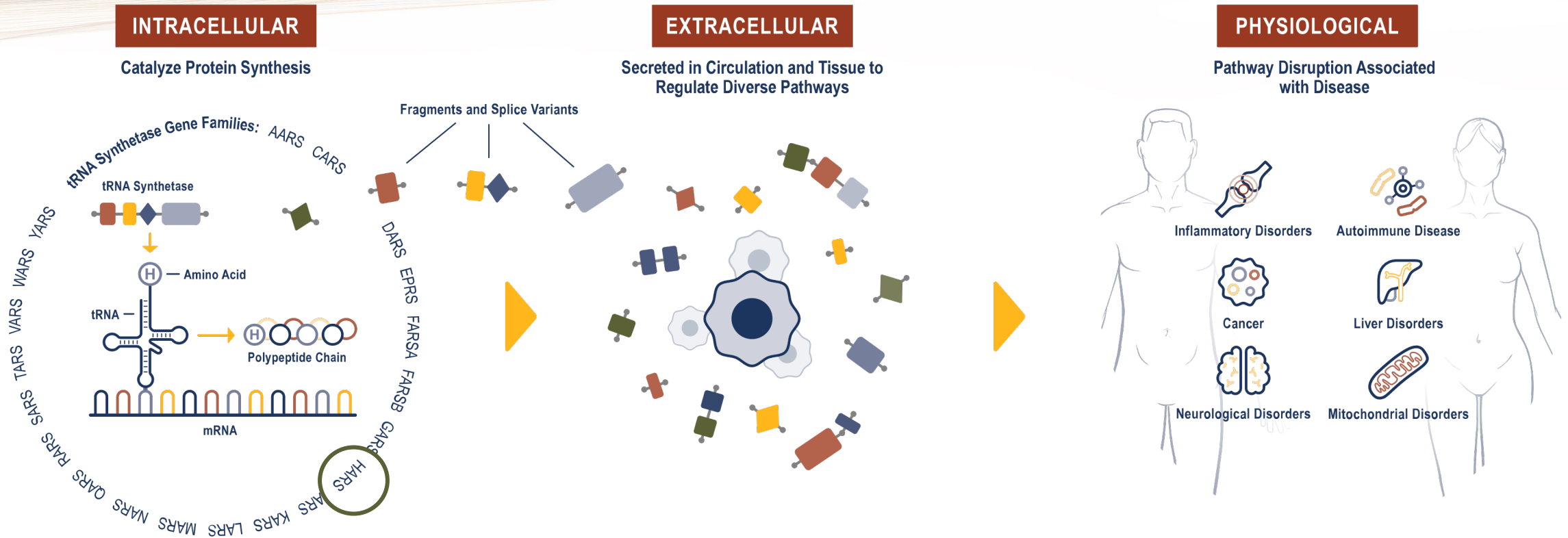
(1) CTD-ILD: connective tissue disease-related ILD (e.g. Scleroderma-related ILD); CHP: chronic hypersensitivity pneumonitis

(2) In partnership with Kyorin Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. Kyorin's Phase 1 study in healthy Japanese volunteers has been completed. Kyorin is eligible to participate in future efzofitimod trials sponsored by aTyr.

(3) The next two candidates from our tRNA synthetase platform; initial focus on NK cell biology



# Foundational Science: Novel Functions of Extracellular tRNA Synthetases



tRNA synthetases are secreted extracellularly and occur in novel forms which lose their canonical function

Extracellular tRNA synthetase disruption (genetic/autoimmune) is associated with disease in humans

**Validated synthetase platform is an engine for new protein therapeutics (e.g. efzofitmod) and new target identification (e.g. NRP2)**

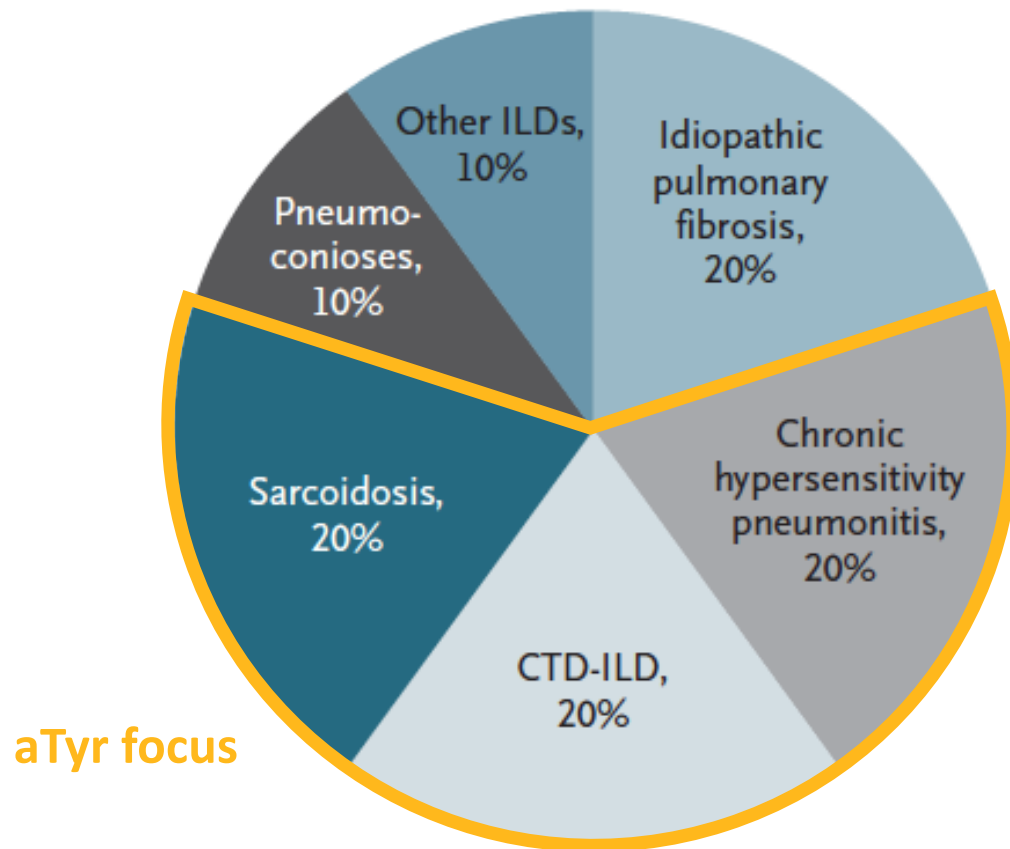


Efzofitimod (ATYR1923)

A Novel Immunomodulator for Fibrotic Lung Disease

# ILD: A Group of Immune-mediated Fibrotic Lung Diseases

## Relative Distribution of ILDs in the USA<sup>(1)</sup>



- >200 types of Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD): 4 major types comprise 80% of patients
- IPF is the archetypal fibrotic lung disease, but fibrosis occurs in all types – immune pathology is common to all
- Poor outcomes with limited therapeutic options – immunomodulatory therapy remains SOC outside of IPF
- aTyr focused on 3 main immune-driven types: >500k US patients<sup>(2)</sup>; ~3m globally
- \$2-3b global market opportunity<sup>(3)</sup>
- Orphan drug designation granted for sarcoidosis and systemic sclerosis (scleroderma)

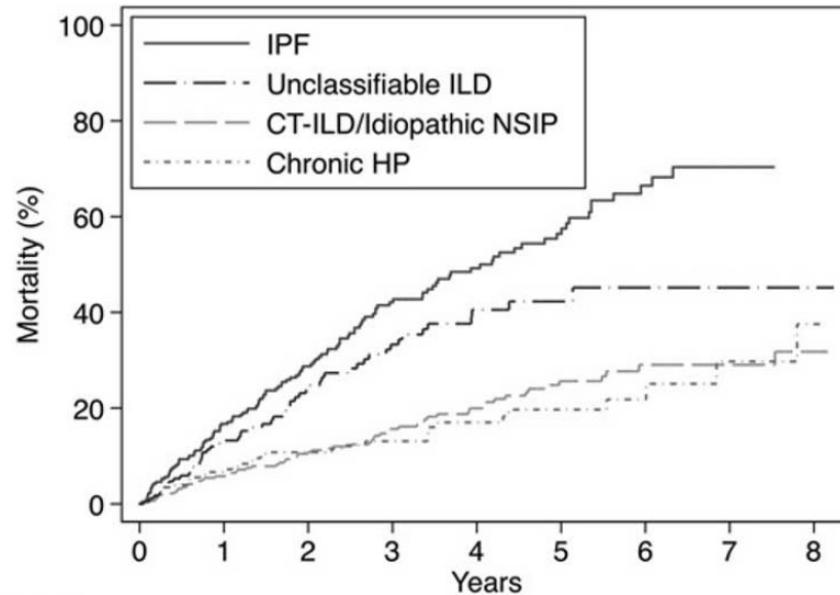
(1) Lederer, Martinez. NEJM 2018

(2) All ILDs individually have potential for orphan status

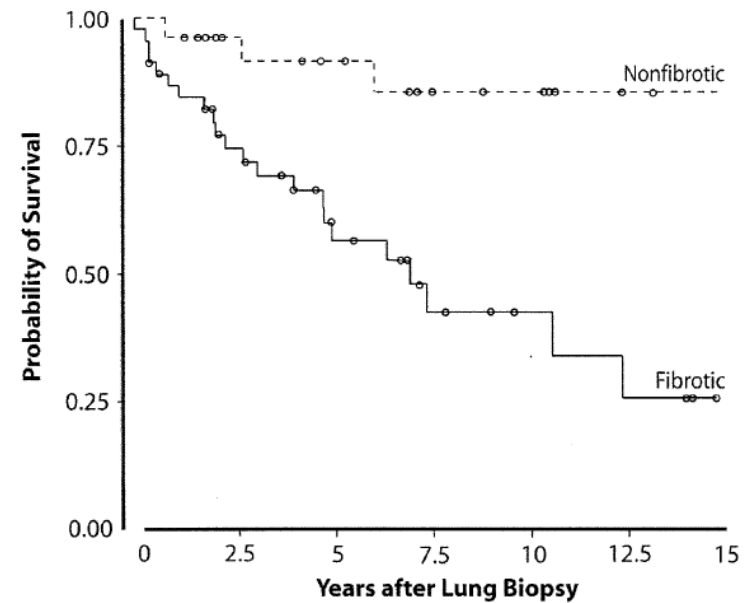
(3) aTyr estimates for efzofitimod in Pulmonary Sarcoidosis, CHP, CTD-ILD; excludes IPF

# ILDs Share Poor Clinical Outcomes

## High Mortality Burden



## Outcomes Worsen with Fibrosis



Intervening early to restore immune balance and avoid progression to fibrosis could improve outcomes



# First Efzofitimod Indication: Pulmonary Sarcoidosis

- Multisystem inflammatory disorder of unknown etiology, characterized by the formation of granulomas (clumps of immune cells)
- Lung affected in ~90% of all patients
- ~5x increased mortality in advanced disease
- SOC: corticosteroids; cytotoxic immunosuppressants; anti-TNFs – limited development pipeline
- High unmet need for treatments with improved safety and clinically established efficacy

## Large orphan population



**50-75%** require treatment



Persistent or progressive disease in **30-50%**



**10-30%** develop fibrosis with **5-10%** mortality

# Opportunity to Expand Efzofitimod to Other ILD with High Unmet Need

## Connective Tissue Disease related-ILD

- ILD secondary to autoimmune diseases, such as systemic sclerosis (SSc-ILD) and rheumatoid arthritis (RA-ILD)
- ILD occurs in up to 80% of SSc patients
- ~10% of RA patients have clinically significant lung disease
- ILD is the leading cause of death in these diseases
- Treatment options remain limited

## Chronic Hypersensitivity Pneumonitis

- Exaggerated, chronic immune response to inhaled environmental antigens
- Comprises up to 15% of all ILD
- Commonly misdiagnosed as IPF
- Median survival: 7 years
- No approved therapies

Efzofitimod MOA, proof-of-concept and safety data support investigation in other ILD

# Efzofitimod: Potential First-in-Class Therapy for Immune-Mediated Lung Disease

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## MOA

- Targets innate and adaptive immune cells during active inflammation to restore immune balance via selective modulation of NRP2
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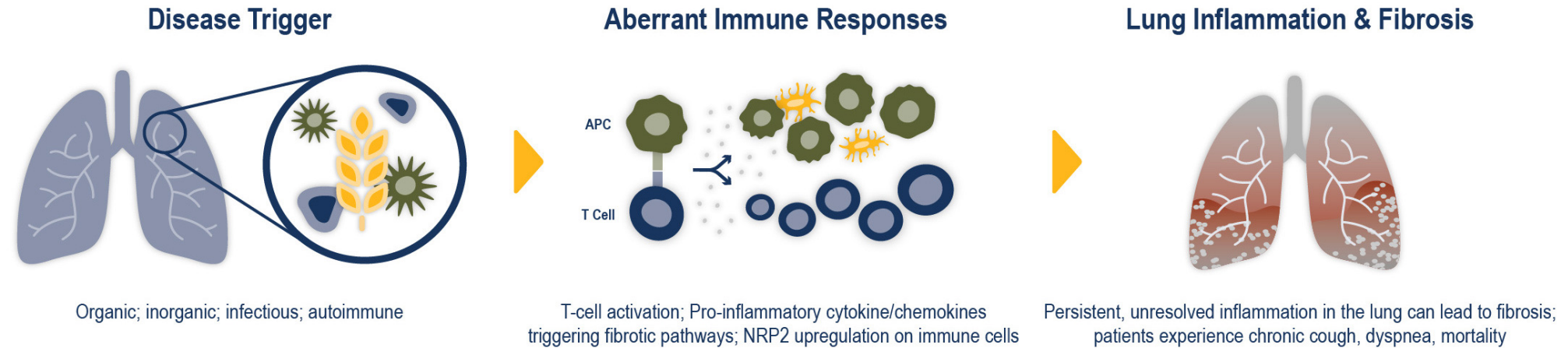
## Pre-Clinical Evidence

- Anti-inflammatory and anti-fibrotic effects demonstrated in translational models of multiple ILDs
  - Reduces inflammatory cytokines and pro-fibrotic chemokines *in vitro* and *in vivo*
  - No toxicity observed in GLP toxicology rodents and non-human primates out to 6 months
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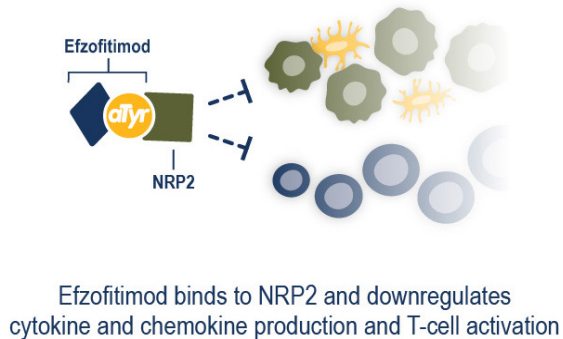
## Clinical Experience

- Safe and well-tolerated in clinical trials to date with exposure to 24 weeks
- No immunogenicity observed
- Controls inflammation by downregulating cytokines implicated in sarcoidosis and other ILD
- Dose-dependent disease control demonstrated in pulmonary sarcoidosis patients

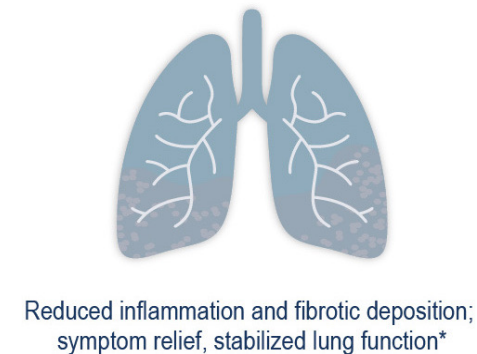
# Efzofitimod Therapeutic Goal: Restore Immune Balance and Prevent Fibrosis



## Efzofitimod Dampens Immune Responses



## Stabilized Lung



\*aTyr hypothesis



# Phase 1b/2a Data Supports Proof-of-Concept and Clinical Advancement

- Efzofitimod was safe and well-tolerated
- Strong suggestion of efficacy: Dose-response and consistent positive trends across key efficacy endpoints and multiple analysis populations
- Clinically meaningful symptom improvements in dyspnea, cough, fatigue and King's Sarcoidosis scores
- Dose dependent control of inflammatory biomarkers confirms anti-inflammatory effect

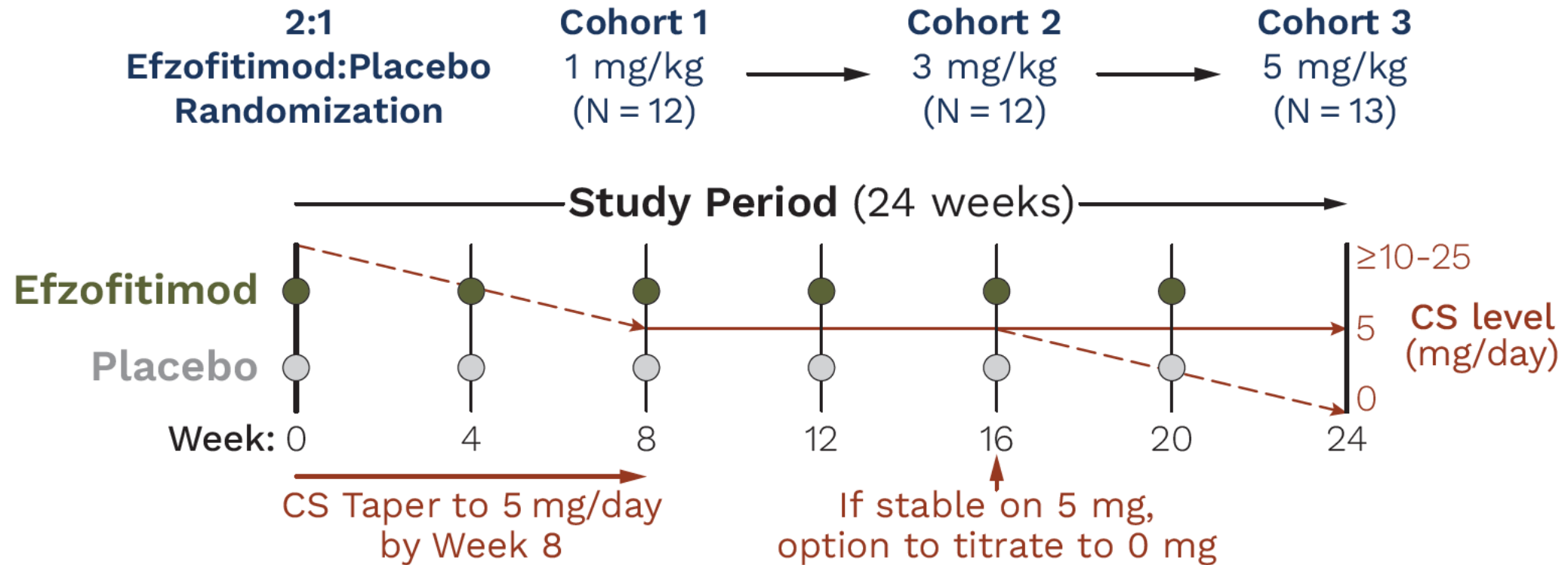
## **Platform and target validation**

First tRNA synthetase derived and NRP2 targeting compound to demonstrate clinical POC

# Phase 1b/2a Trial Design

<b>Design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Randomized (2:1), double-blind, placebo-controlled, multiple ascending dose</li><li>• 24 week study: 6 monthly IV doses of efzofitimod tested at 1.0, 3.0, and 5.0 mg/kg</li><li>• Forced steroid taper to 5.0 mg by week 8; amendment to allow taper to 0 mg at week 16 in responders</li></ul>
<b>Population</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 37 histologically confirmed pulmonary sarcoidosis patients</li><li>• <math>\geq 10</math> mg stable oral corticosteroid treatment</li><li>• Symptomatic/active disease at baseline</li></ul>
<b>Primary Endpoint</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safety and tolerability of multiple ascending IV efzofitimod doses</li></ul>
<b>Secondary Endpoints</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Steroid-sparing effect</li><li>• Immunogenicity</li><li>• Pharmacokinetics (PK)</li><li>• Exploratory: Lung function (FVC and other PFTs); sarcoidosis symptom scores and quality of life scales; inflammatory and sarcoidosis biomarkers; FDG-PET/CT imaging</li></ul>

# Phase 1b/2a Study Schema



# Baseline Demographics and Disease Characteristics Generally Balanced

Demographics	Placebo N=12	Efzofitimid 1 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimid 3 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimid 5 mg/kg N=9
Age (Years); mean (SD), >=65	52.5 (10.2), 0	54.5 (11.3), 1	51.8 (11.4), 2	50.8 (9.2), 0
Sex (Male); n (%)	5 (42)	4 (50)	4 (50)	4 (44)
Race; White / African American	9 / 3	5 / 3	6 / 2	3 / 6
<b>Disease characteristics Mean (SD)</b>				
FVC (% predicted)	77.3 (11.5)	68.3 (9.7)	83.8 (7.3)	83.8 (16.6)
Duration of disease (Years)	4.2 (3.3)	7.4 (6.1)	5.9 (5.1)	7.7 (9.9)
Baseline Dyspnea Index Score	4.8 (2.0)	4.3 (1.8)	7.6 (3.0)	6.3 (2.5)
<b>Background Therapy</b>				
Steroid dose (mg/day), mean	13.3	11.3	14.4	13.9
Immunomodulator; n (%)	6 (50)	3 (38)	1 (13)	4 (44)



# Monthly Dosing of Efzofitimod was Safe and Well-Tolerated

n (%)	Placebo N=12	Efzofitimod 1 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimod 3 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimod 5 mg/kg N=9
<b>AEs</b>	10 (83)	8 (100)	7 (88)	8 (89)
<b>Drug-related AEs</b>	4 (33)	3 (38)	1 (13)	3 (33)
<b>Severe AEs (Grade 3 or 4)</b>	4 (33)	2 (25)	0	2 (22)
<b>SAEs</b>	1 (8)	1 (13)	0	0

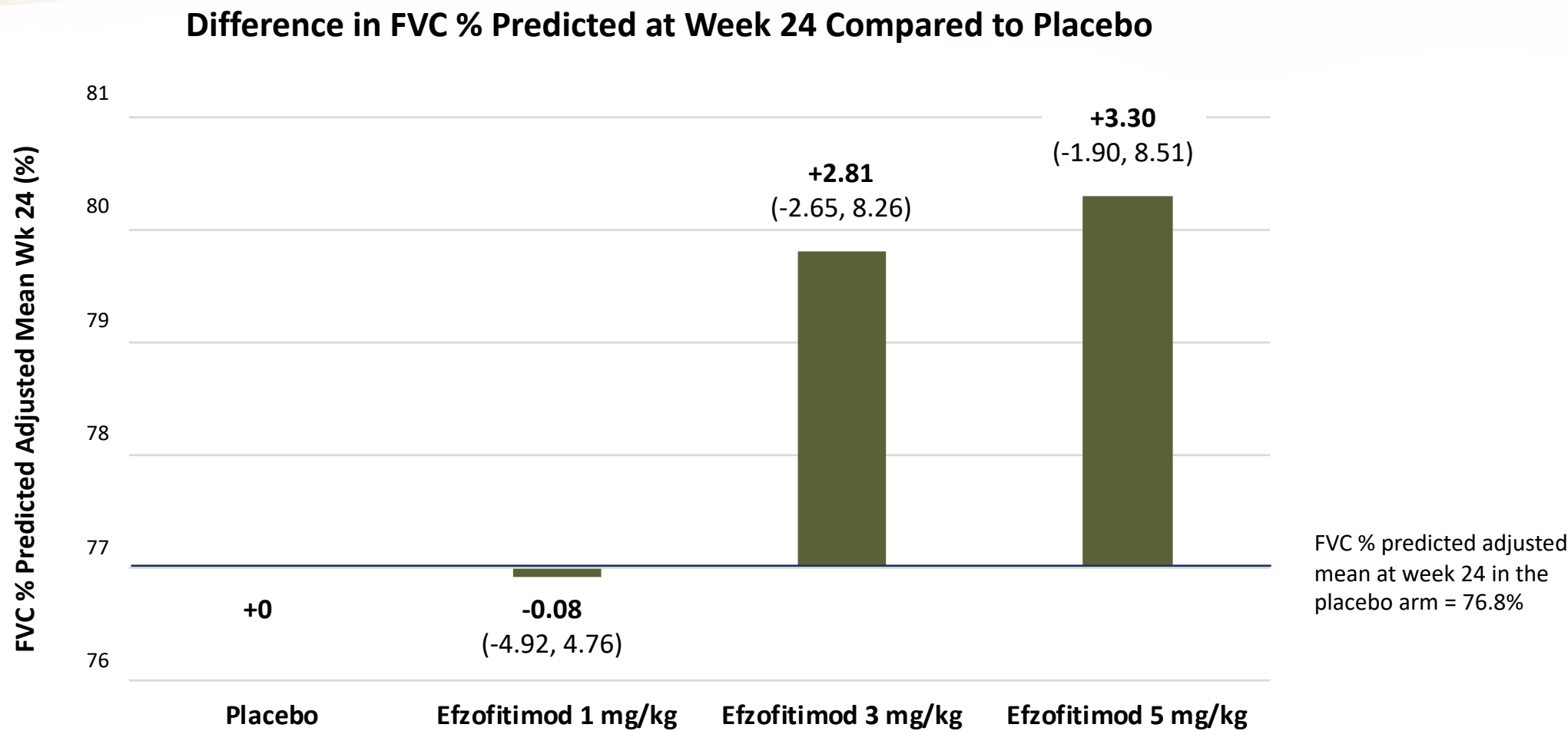
- No new or unexpected findings with repeat dosing
- No dose-response relationship observed
- Most frequent AEs were consistent with underlying disease: Cough, fatigue, wheezing
- No signal of immunogenicity
- No drug related SAEs
- No deaths

# Dose-dependent Reduction in Steroid Utilization Compared with Placebo

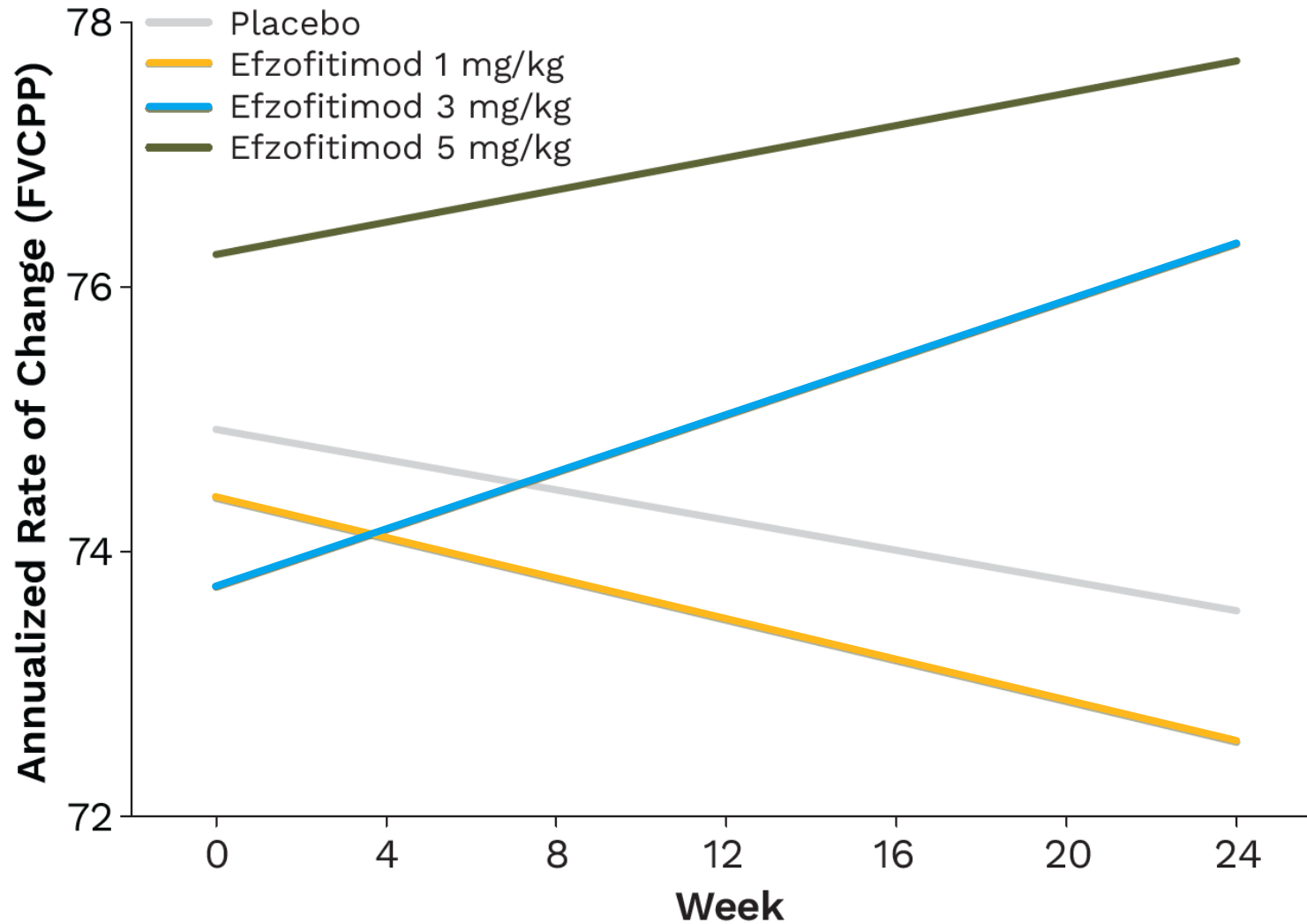
Post-taper Period	Placebo N=12	Efzofitimod 1 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimod 3 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimod 5 mg/kg N=9
<b>Average daily dose (mg), adjusted mean</b>	7.17	6.83	6.54	5.62
<b>- relative reduction vs placebo (%)</b>	-	-5%	-9%	-22%
<b>Change from baseline (%), mean</b>	-46	-41	-49	-58
<b>- difference in adjusted means (%), mean (95% CI)</b>	-	1.2 (-20, 22)	-2.3 (-23, 19)	-12.3 (-33, 8)
<b>Tapered to 0 mg and maintained taper, n (%)</b>	0	0	0	3 (33)

- 58% overall steroid reduction from baseline and 22% relative reduction compared to placebo in steroid utilization post taper in the 5.0 mg/kg treatment group
- 33% of patients able to taper off of steroids completely in 5.0 mg/kg treatment group while controlling disease symptoms

# Dose-dependent Improvement in FVC % Predicted Compared to Placebo



# Higher Efzofitimod Doses Show Trends of Improvement in FVC % Predicted





# Dose-dependent Improvements in PFTs Over Time Compared with Placebo

FVC, mean (SD)	Placebo N=12	Efzofitimod 1 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimod 3 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimod 5 mg/kg N=9
<b>Absolute CFB at Week 24 (mL)</b>	-40 (230)	-80 (160)	120 (130)	110 (250)
<b>FVC % predicted, mean (SD)</b>				
<b>Absolute CFB at Week 24 (%)</b>	-0.9 (6.1)	-2.3 (3.9)	2.6 (2.5)	2.6 (5.6)
<b>DLco % predicted, mean (SD)</b>				
<b>Absolute CFB at Week 24 (%)</b>	-6.2 (14.4)	-6.1 (4.0)	-1.4 (5.0)	4.4 (14.6)

# Dose-dependent Clinically Meaningful Symptom Improvements Compared with Placebo

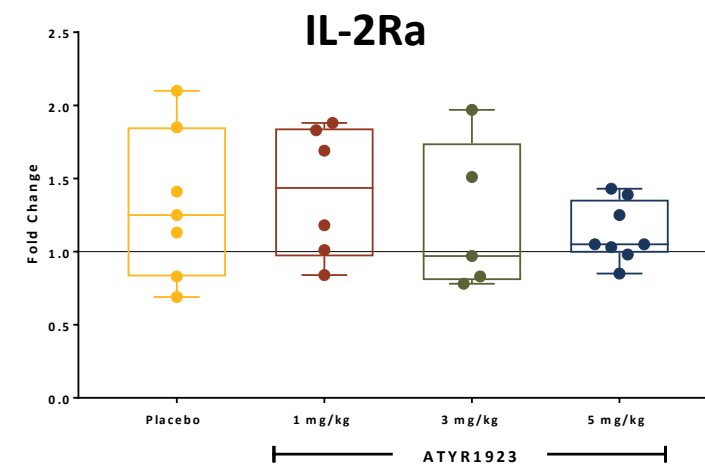
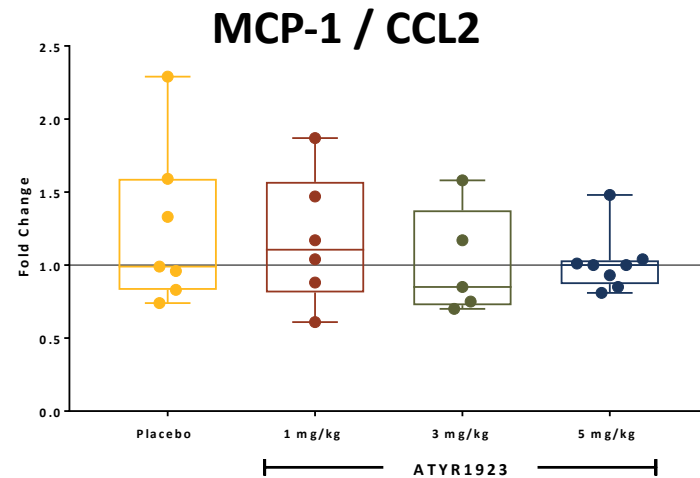
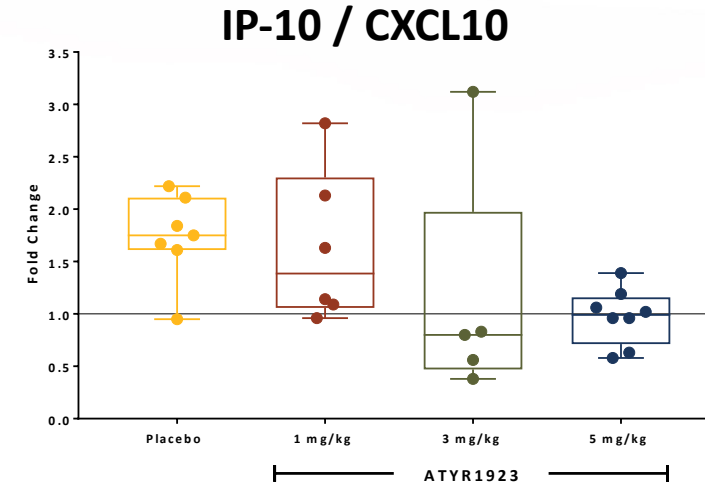
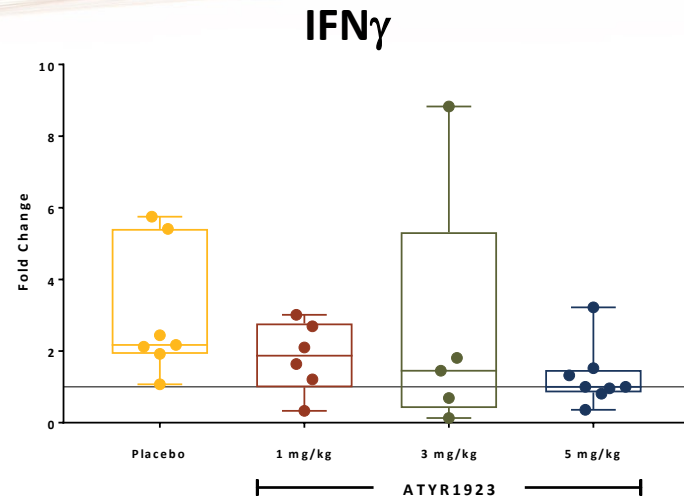
Differences in Adjusted Means vs Pbo at Week 24	Efzofitimod 1 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimod 3 mg/kg N=8	Efzofitimod 5 mg/kg N=9
• <b>Dyspnea</b>	-0.76	3.33	4.49
• <b>Cough</b>	-3.49*	2.98*	2.05
• <b>Fatigue</b>	0.76	-4.78	-7.77*
• <b>King's Sarcoidosis Score: Lung</b>	-6.41	11.29	16.17*
• <b>King's Sarcoidosis Score: General Health</b>	-5.1	2.13	18.33*

 = clinically meaningful improvement based on published MCID

\*p<0.05 on difference between adjusted means from MMRM; Pbo = Placebo

22 MCIDs: TDI - Witek 2003; LCQ – Raj 2009; FAS - de Kleijin 2011 (Negative score is better for Fatigue); KSQ Lung – Baughman 2021; KSQ Lung – Baughman 2021  
TDI: Table 14.2.20.1.1; LCQ: Table 14.2.22.1.1, FAS: Table 14.2.23.1.1, Gen Health: Table 14.2.21.1.1, Lung: Table 14.2.21.1.1

# Dose-dependent Control of Key Disease and Inflammatory Biomarkers



# Dose Response and Consistent Positive Trends of Efficacy Across all Evaluable Endpoints

- The trial met its primary endpoint: efzofitimod was safe and well-tolerated
- 58% overall steroid reduction from baseline and 22% relative reduction in steroid utilization post taper in the 5.0 mg/kg treatment group
- 33% of patients able to taper completely off steroids in the 5.0 mg/kg treatment group
- 3.3% absolute improvement in lung function as measured by FVC % predicted at week 24 in the 5.0 mg/kg treatment group
- Dose-dependent clinically meaningful improvement in all sarcoidosis symptom measures in the 5.0 mg/kg treatment group
- Dose-dependent improvement on inflammatory biomarkers including IL-6, MCP-1, IFN- $\gamma$ , IP-10 and TNF $\alpha$  as well as sarcoidosis markers ACE, IL-2Ra and SAA with tightest control in the 5.0 mg/kg treatment group



# EFZO-FIT™ : Phase 3 Study of Efzofitimod in Pulmonary Sarcoidosis

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## **Clinical POC Established**

- Phase 1b/2a study was first in sarcoidosis to demonstrate effects on physiologic and quality of life measures concurrent with steroid reduction
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## **FDA Alignment**

- Positive FDA End-of-Phase 2 meeting supports advancement of clinical development
  - Aligned on prioritization of endpoints that are most clinically meaningful to patients and providers
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## **Global Pivotal Trial**

- Multiple sites in North America, Europe and Japan
  - Expected to initiate in Q3 2022
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# Phase 3 EFZO-FIT™ Trial Design

<b>Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Primary: Assess the efficacy of efzofitimod in patients with pulmonary sarcoidosis</li><li>• Secondary: Assess the safety and tolerability of efzofitimod in patients with pulmonary sarcoidosis</li><li>• Exploratory: Explore the utility of serum biomarkers in evaluation of interventions to treat pulmonary sarcoidosis</li></ul>
<b>Design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Phase 3, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, multicenter study</li></ul>
<b>Randomization</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Target enrollment of 264 patients</li><li>• 1:1:1 efzofitimod 3 mg/kg, efzofitimod 5 mg/kg, or placebo, with 88 patients assigned to each arm</li><li>• Randomization stratum:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Presence or absence of concomitant immunosuppressant therapy, and</li><li>○ OCS dose at baseline (&lt; 10 mg/day versus ≥ 10 mg/day [prednisone or equivalent])</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Screening: up to 4 weeks</li><li>• Treatment Period: 48 weeks (12 monthly doses through Week 44); Primary Assessment at Week 48</li><li>• Final Visit: Week 52 (8 weeks post-dose follow-up)</li></ul>

# Major Efficacy Endpoints

## Primary Endpoint

- Change from baseline in mean daily OCS dose post-taper

## Secondary Endpoints

- Annual rate of change in absolute value of FVC
- Percent change from baseline in mean daily OCS dose post-taper at Week 48
- Change from baseline in KSQ-Lung score at Week 48

# Key Inclusion / Exclusion Criteria

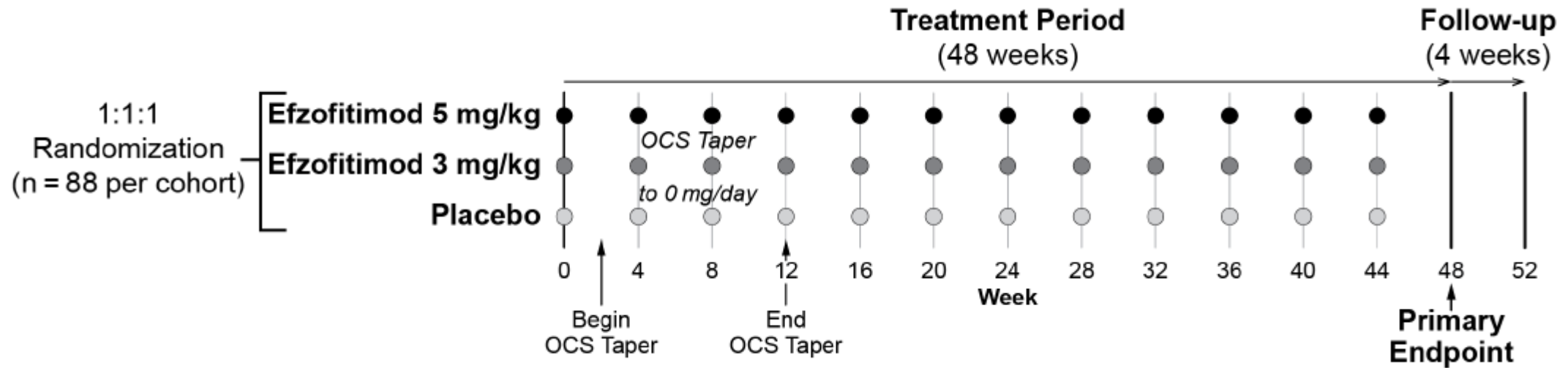
## Inclusion

- Adults ages 18-75, inclusive
- Diagnosis of pulmonary sarcoidosis for  $\geq 6$  months
- Requiring stable treatment with  $\geq 7.5$  but  $\leq 25$  mg/day oral corticosteroids
- Medical Research Council (MRC) Dyspnea Scale  $\geq 1$
- KSQ Lung Score  $\leq 70$

## Exclusion

- Extent of fibrosis  $> 20\%$
- Forced Vital Capacity  $< 50\%$
- Treatment  $> 1$  oral immunomodulator
- Clinically significant pulmonary hypertension
- Patients with cardiac/neuro/renal sarcoidosis
- Treatment with biological immunomodulators

# Phase 3 EFZO-FIT™ Study Schema





# Multi-center Trial with Sites in North America, Europe and Japan



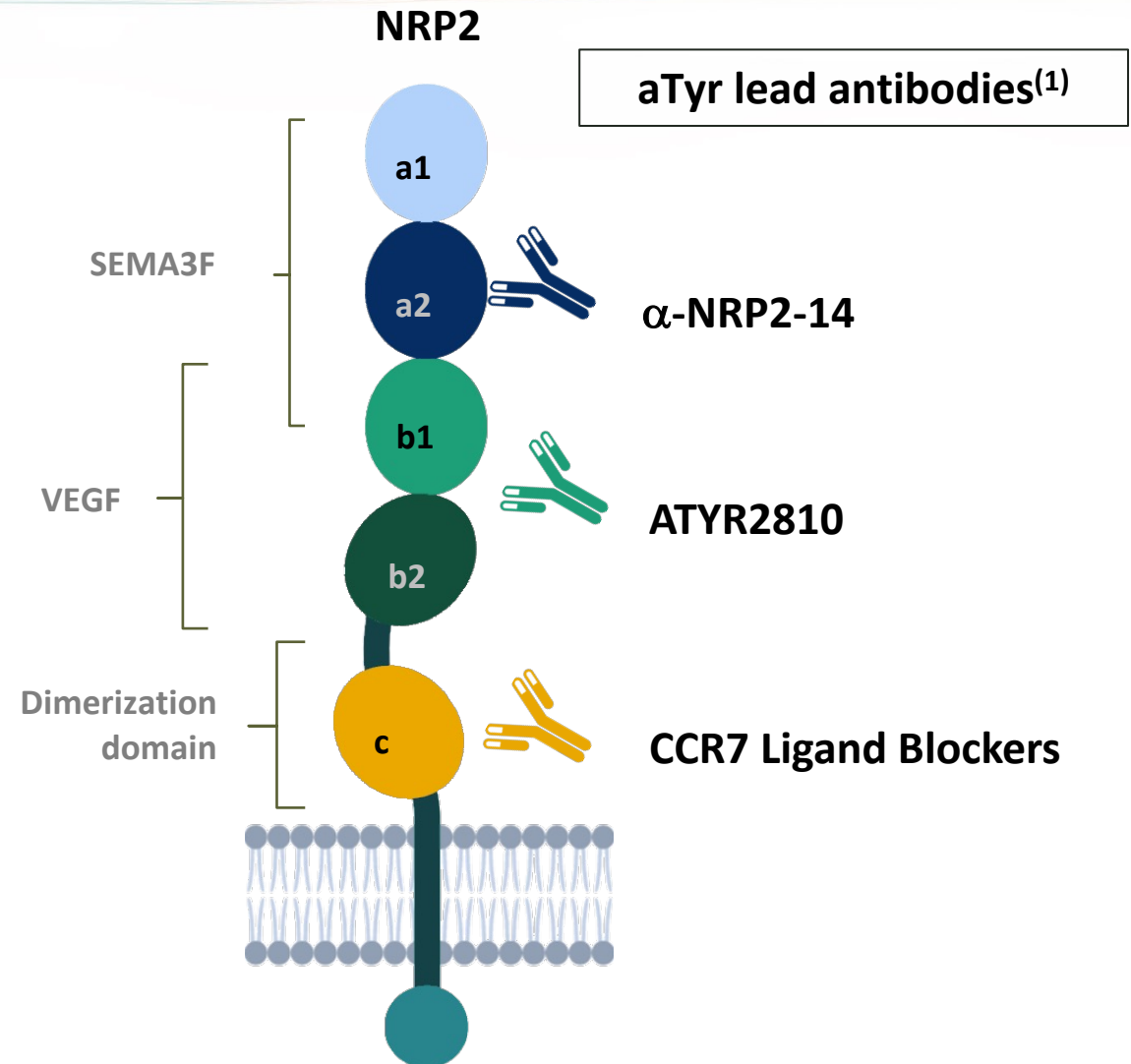


NRP2 Antibodies

Regulating Diverse Disease Pathways

# NRP2: A Novel Therapeutic Target

- NRP2 is a potentially novel drug target for cancer and inflammatory disorders
- Acts as a co-receptor for VEGF, semaphorins and certain chemokines (e.g., CCL21)
- Highly expressed on certain solid tumors (e.g. breast, lung, renal); expression is associated with worse outcomes in many cancers
- aTyr mAbs selectively target distinct epitopes for differentiated therapeutic applications
- Superior specificity and sensitivity compared to commercially available antibodies in preclinical studies



# ATYR2810: Lead Anti-Neuropilin-2 Antibody IND Candidate for Cancer

- Fully humanized mAb that specifically and functionally blocks the interaction between NRP2 and VEGF
- VEGF is a validated mediator of tumor survival and growth and plays a role in tumor invasiveness and metastasis, but current therapies that directly target VEGF / VEGF-R do not block binding to NRP2
- Targeting aggressive solid tumors where NRP2 is implicated (e.g. RCC, TNBC, NECP)
- Preclinical data suggests that ATYR2810 inhibits metastasis and chemoresistance by downregulating key drivers of lineage plasticity (e.g., EMT)
- Plan to initiate Phase 1 clinical trial in cancer patients in the second half of 2022



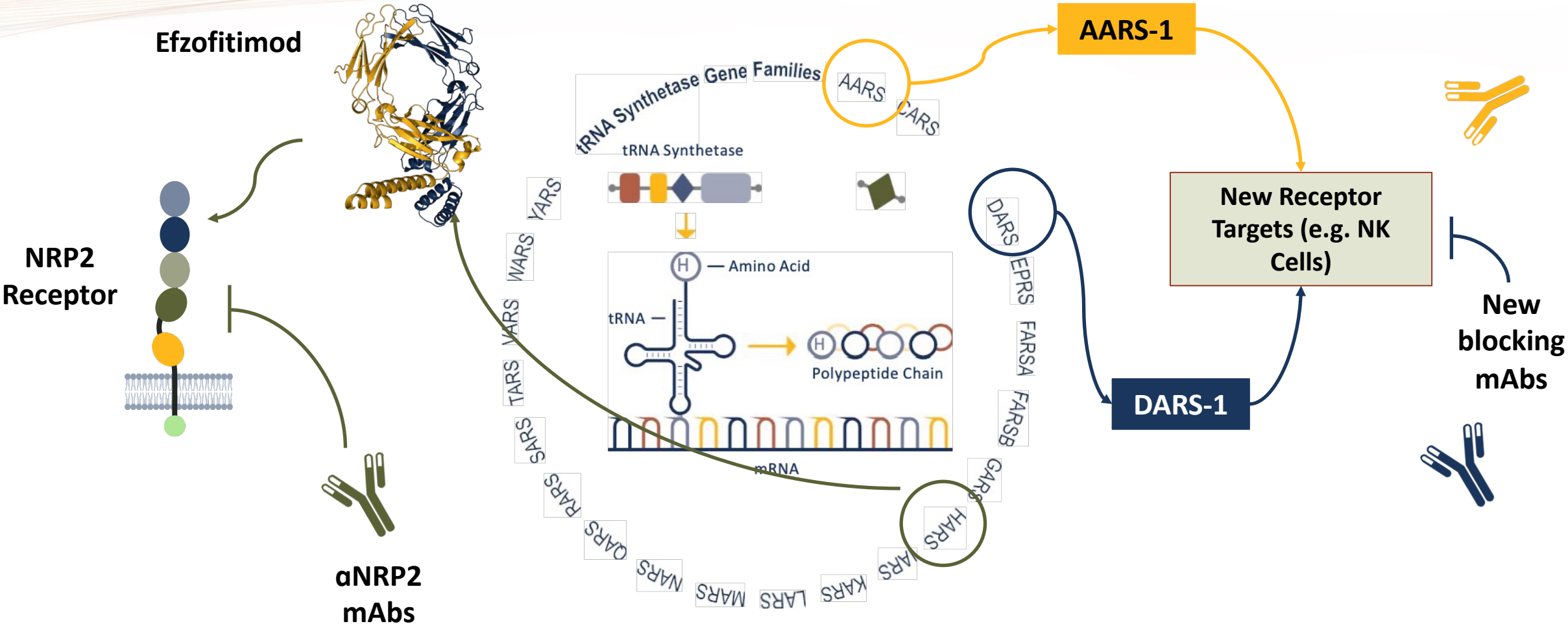


tRNA Synthetases

A Potential New Therapeutic Protein Class



# tRNA Synthetase Engine



aTyr owns IP covering all 20 tRNA synthetase gene families



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# aTyr: A New Path to Medicine

- Clinically validated platform of proprietary new biology
- Clinical program: efzofitimod (ATYR1923)
  - Novel MOA for fibrotic lung disease
  - Favorable safety profile
  - Proof-of-concept in pulmonary sarcoidosis supports program advancement and expansion to other ILD
  - Orphan drug designation granted for sarcoidosis and systemic sclerosis (scleroderma)
  - Initiation of global pivotal Phase 3 EFZO-FIT™ trial in pulmonary sarcoidosis in Q3 2022
- Pipeline in cancer and immunology
  - Lead anti-NRP2 antibody IND candidate for cancer
  - NRP2 antibody research program for distinct therapeutic applications
  - Discovery programs for tRNA synthetases AARS and DARS initially focusing on NK cell biology
- Cash, cash equivalents, and investments at \$98.7m as of March 31, 2022

# Future Milestones

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## **Efzofitimod (ATYR1923)**

- Publication of Phase 1b/2a results in pulmonary sarcoidosis patients
- Initiation of global pivotal Phase 3 EFZO-FIT™ trial in pulmonary sarcoidosis patients expected in Q3 2022
- Phase 2 ready for initiation of trials in other ILD

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## **ATYR2810**

- Initiation of Phase 1 clinical trial expected in 2H 2022

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## **Discovery pipeline**

- New NRP2 mAb opportunities targeting distinct NRP2 epitopes
- Advance AARS and DARS derived product candidates





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