

# Two ACTIVE Immunotherapies (TACTI): Results of a Phase I trial with metastatic melanoma patients

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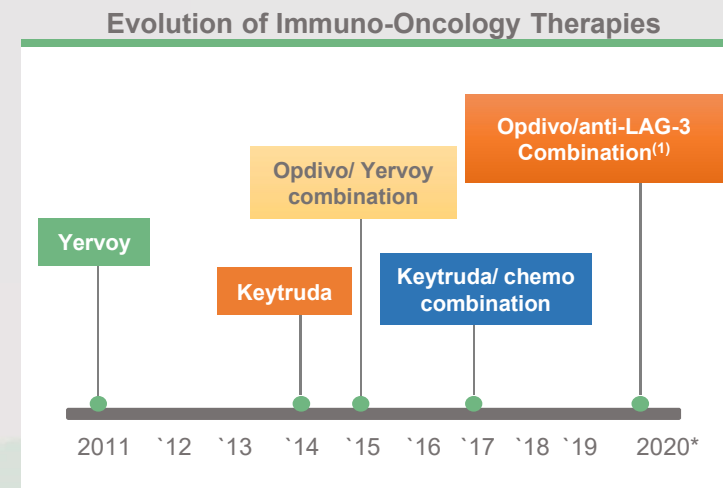
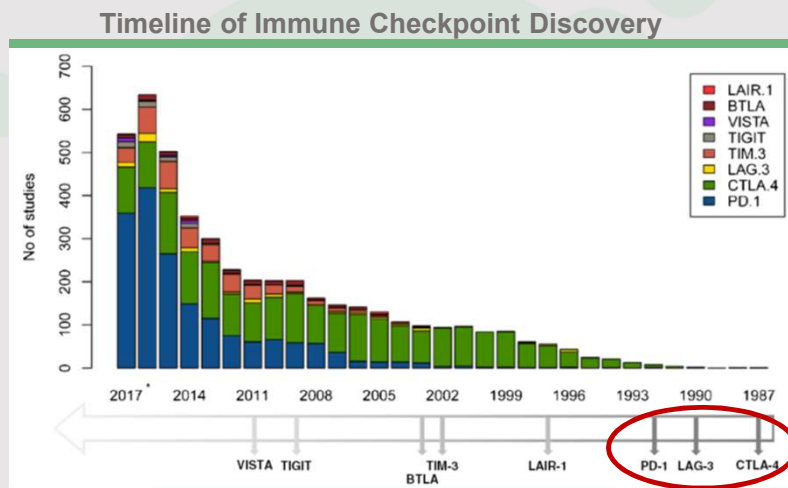
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# Evolution of Checkpoint Therapies

*LAG-3 has the potential to be the next meaningful checkpoint target...*



- Existing immuno-oncology therapies are CTLA-4, PD-1 and PD-L1 antagonists and are approved for many disease indications
- However, only 15 - 40% of solid tumors in patients respond to monotherapy
- Immuno-oncology market will be worth approximately US\$14 billion in 2019, rising to US\$34 billion by 2024, with checkpoint therapies accounting for most of the market<sup>(2)</sup>

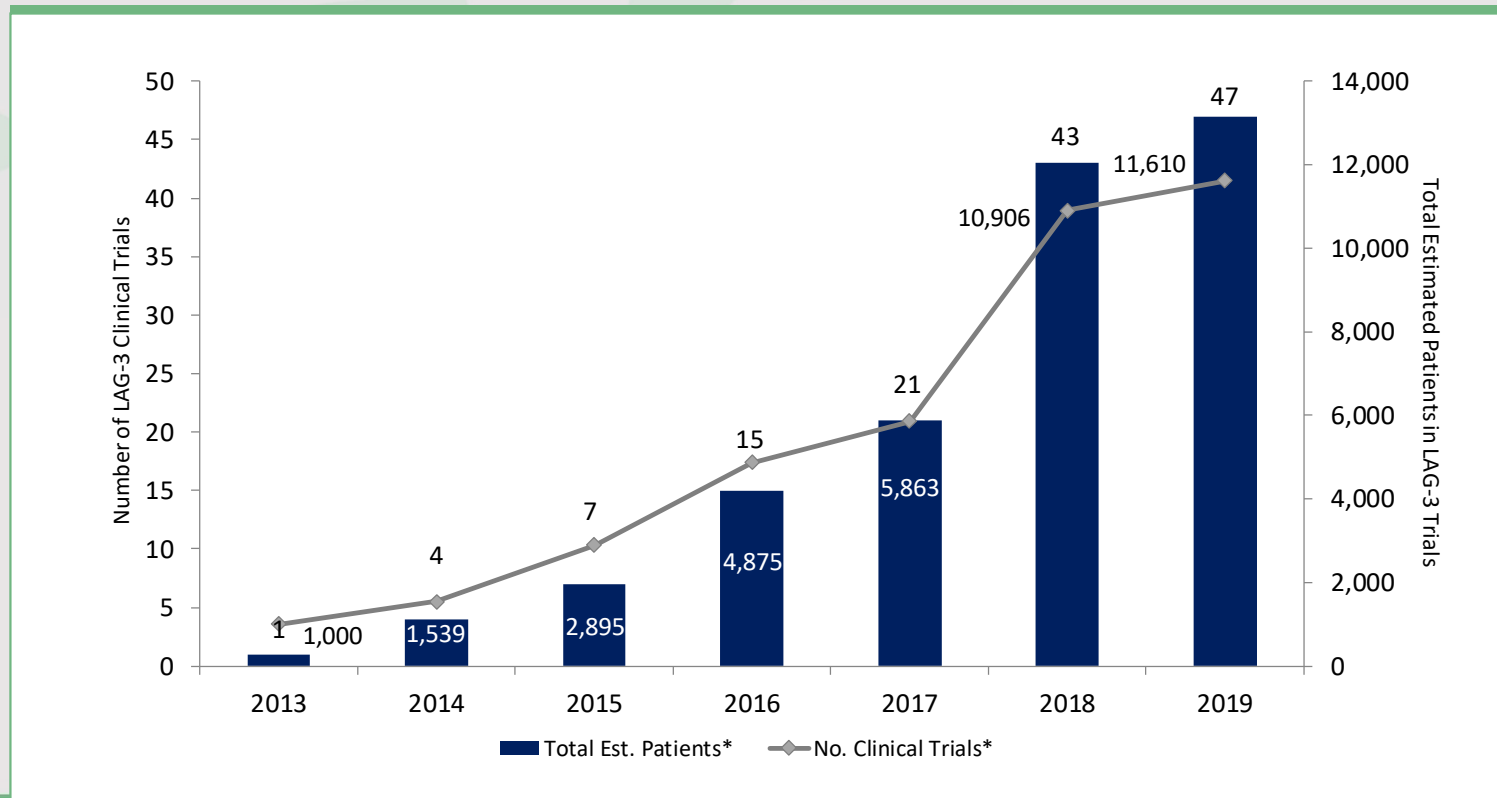
Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> Expected timing, actual results may differ (BMS ASCO 2017 Investor Presentation)

<sup>(2)</sup> Global Data, Immuno-Oncology Strategic Insight: Multi-Indication and Market Size Analysis (May 2016)

# Increasing Clinical Trials Targeting LAG-3

Industry increasingly deploying resources to development of LAG-3 therapeutics

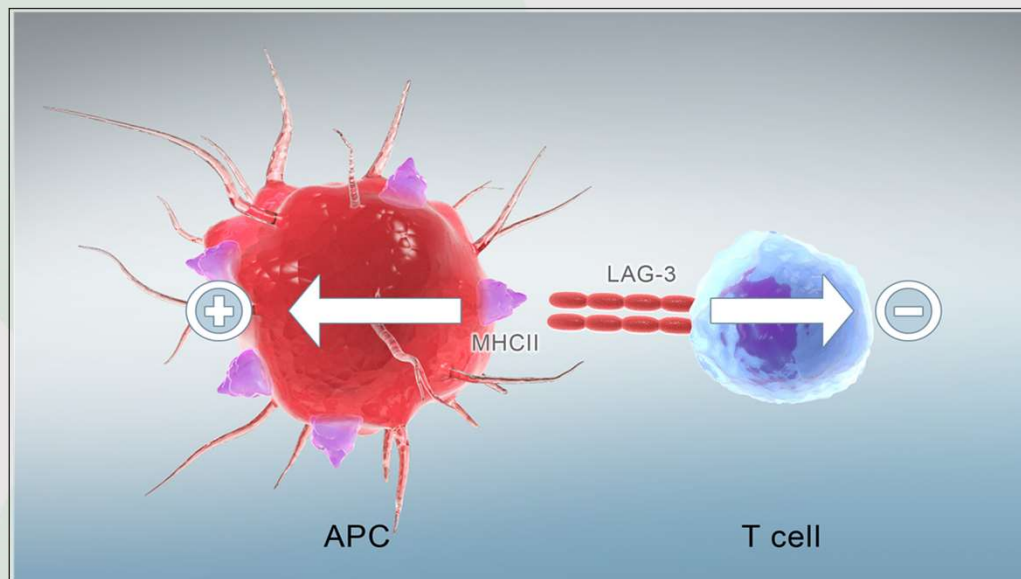




Sources: GlobalData, company websites, clinical trials.gov, and sec.gov  
Information as of January 3, 2019

\*2019 includes planned and completed trials, includes trials where the company may not be the sponsor

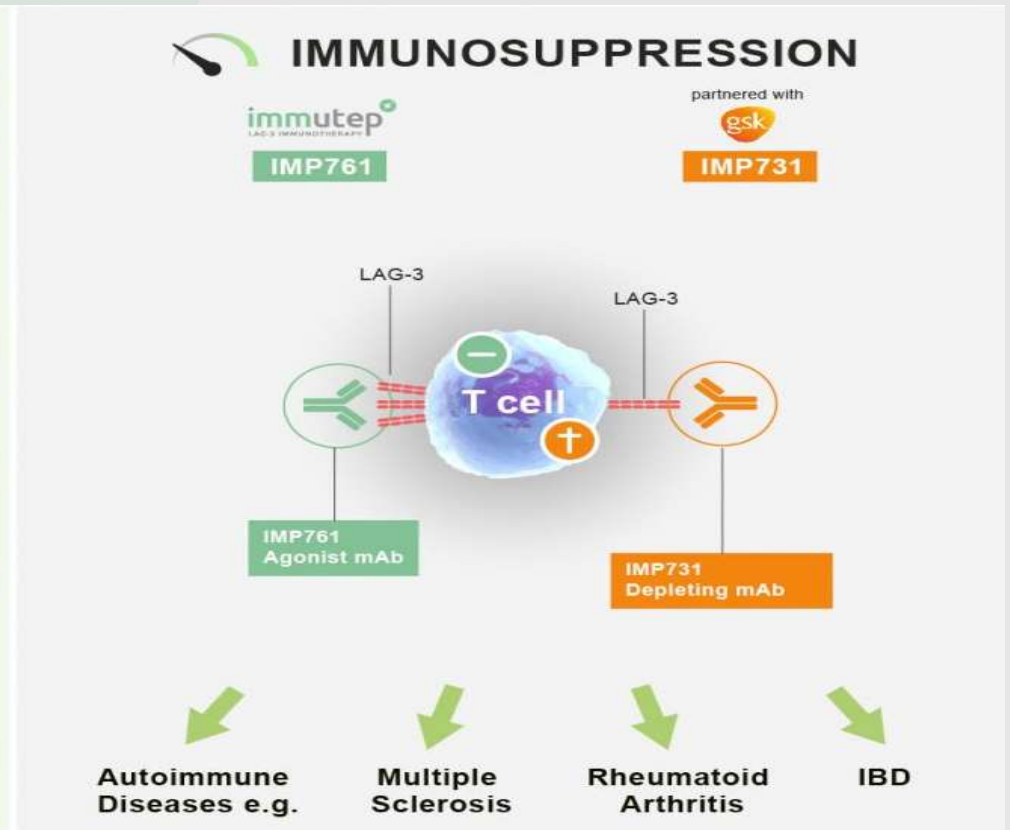
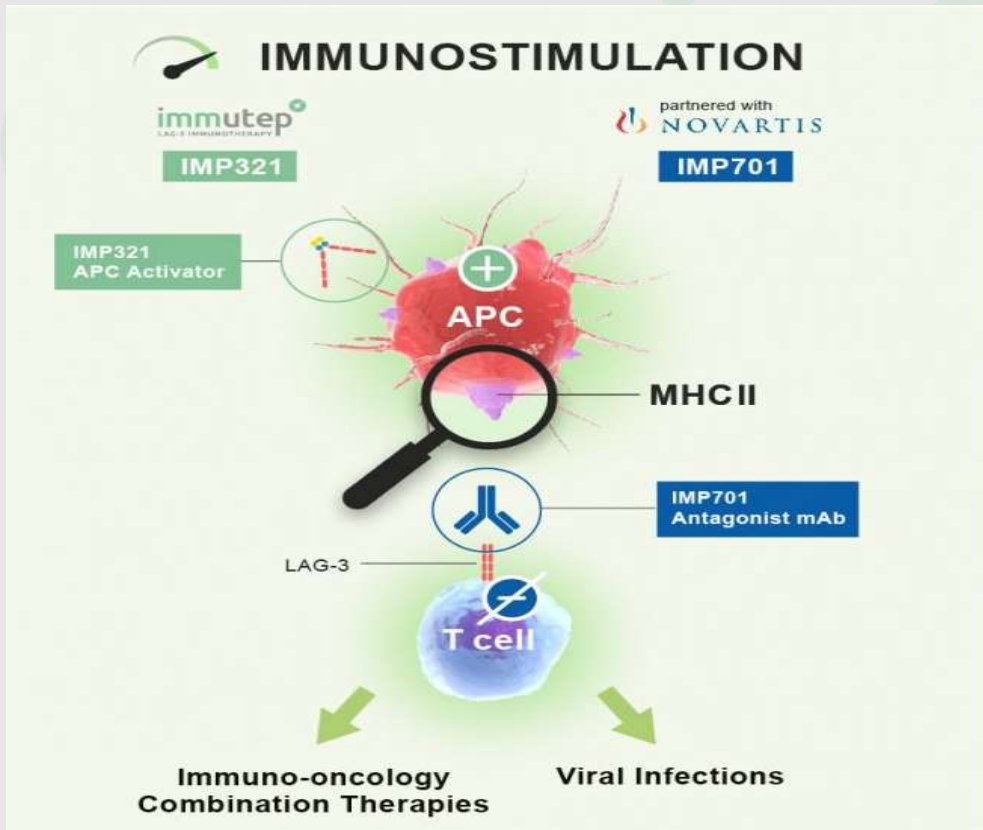
## LAG-3 as a Therapeutic Target

- LAG-3 is widely expressed on tumor infiltrating lymphocytes (TILs) and cytotoxic T cells  
→ Prime target for an immune checkpoint blocker
- Functionally similar to PD-1 on T cells (arrow on the right)



- **Positive regulation** of antigen presenting cells (APC) → increase in antigen presentation to cytotoxic CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells 
- **Negative regulation** of LAG-3<sup>+</sup> T cells 

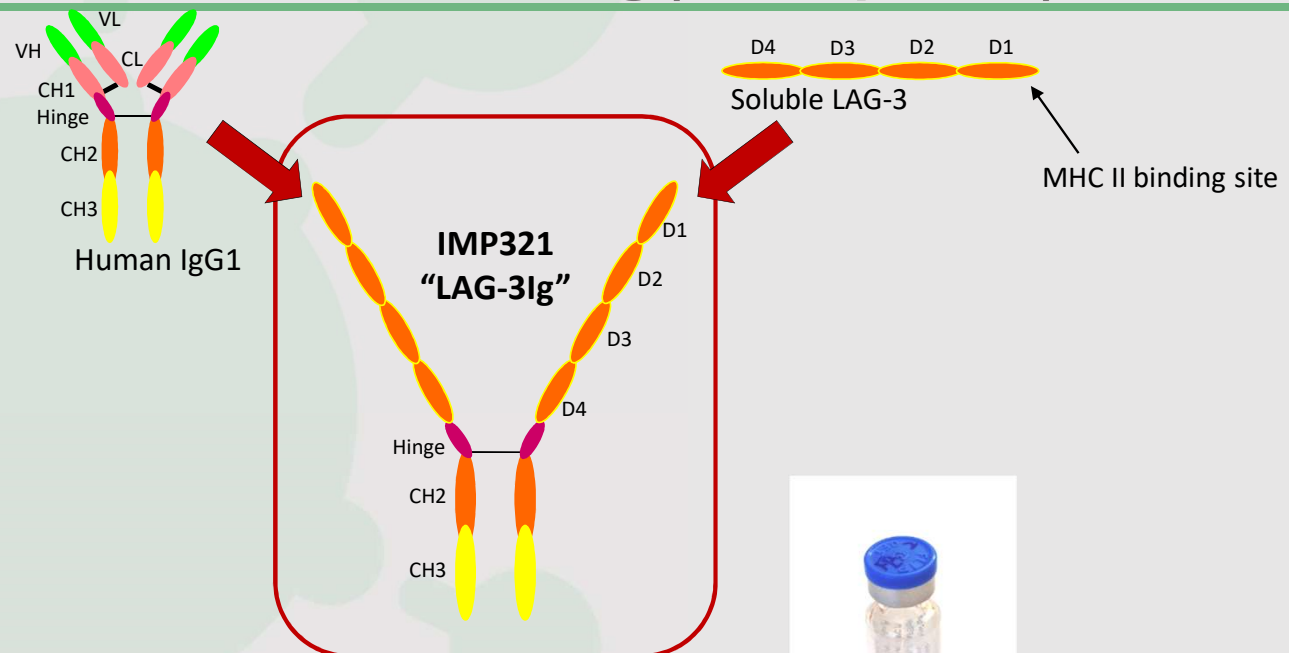
# Targeting LAG-3/MHC II May Lead to Multiple Therapeutics in Numerous Indications



# Lead Program Eftilagimod Alpha (IMP321)

# Eftilagimod alpha (IMP321)

## Soluble dimeric recombinant form of LAG-3Ig (fusion protein)



- **Soluble recombinant form of LAG-3**
- Human fusion protein
- Dimeric, very stable, high affinity for DC
- Antigen presenting cell (APC) activator
- **Unique and first-in-class**

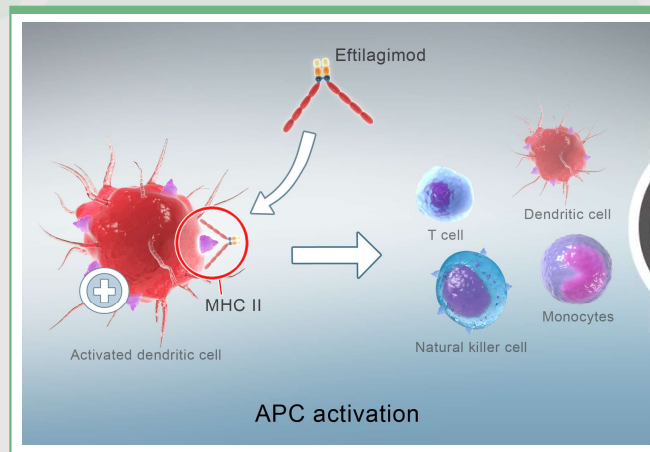




## Efti - Innovative LAG-3 IO Product Candidate

- The only APC targeting LAG-3 product currently in clinical development
- A unique approach (“turning cold tumors into hot tumors” with an MHC II agonist)
- Synergistic with other IO agents

“PUSHING THE ACCELERATOR ON IMMUNE RESPONSES”

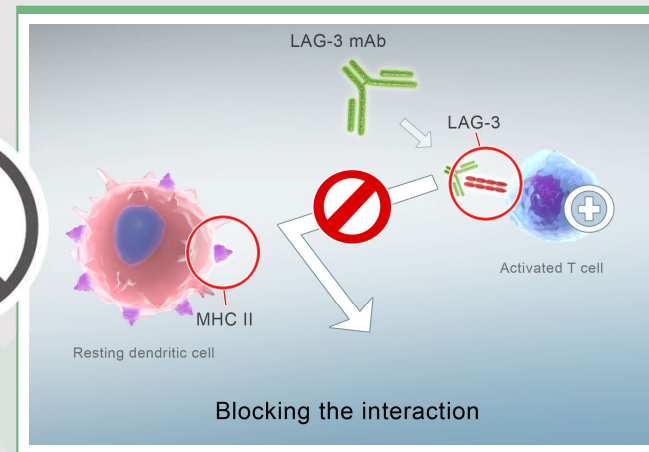


Efti, an MHC II **agonist** (eftilagimod alpha, IMP321) :

### APC activator

- Boost and sustain the CD8<sup>+</sup> T cell responses
- Activate multiple immune cell subsets

“RELEASING THE BRAKE ON THE T CELL”

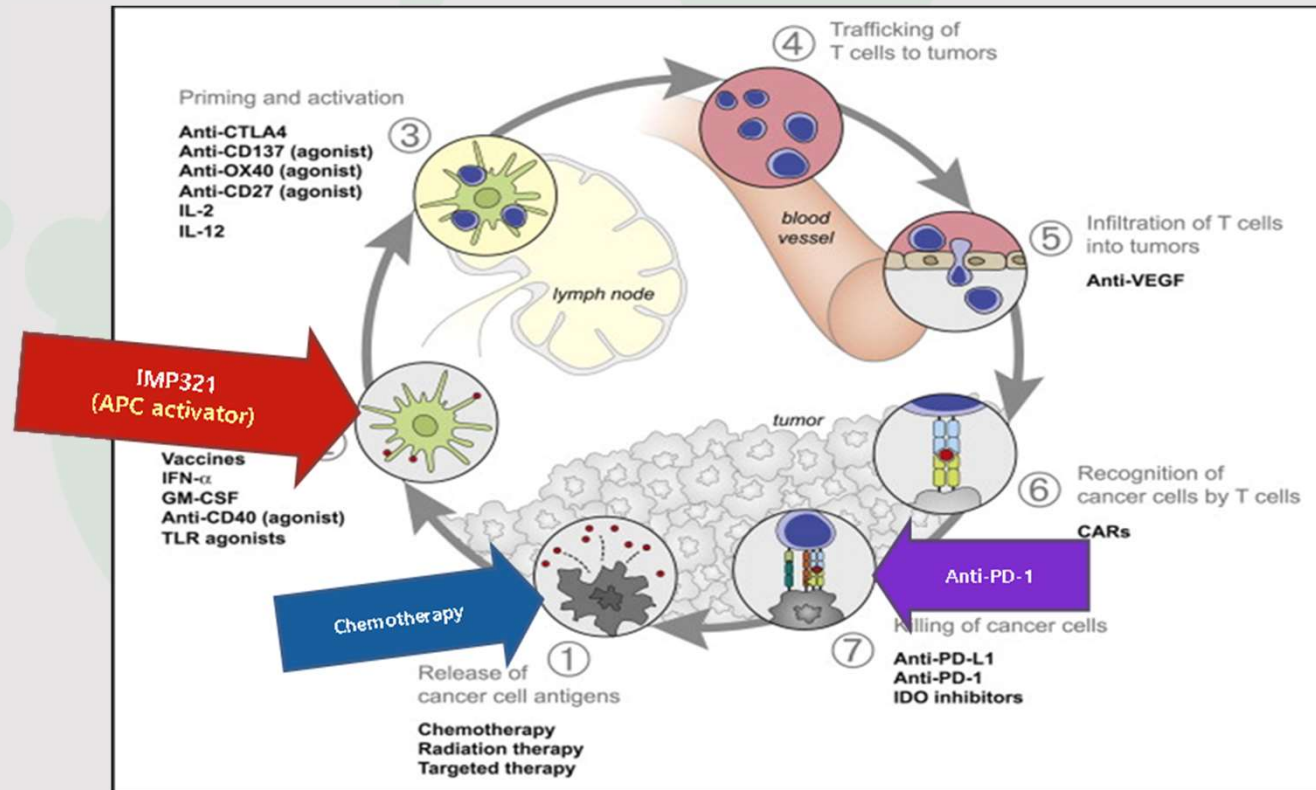


LAG-3 antagonist antibodies:

### immune checkpoint inhibitor

- increase cytotoxicity of the pre-existing CD8 T cell response

# Rationale for Combining efti (IMP321) with Chemotherapy or Anti-PD-1 mAb



*Therapeutic interventions leading to increased T cell responses in cancer. The Cancer Immunity Cycle. Adapted from Chen and Mellman (1).*

# Efti (IMP321) - Areas of development

## Multiple strategies

- **Chemo-immunotherapy**

- Exploit the antigen debris from chemotherapy with an APC activator → Combination therapy with active agents such as Taxanes (e.g. Paclitaxel)

- **IO-IO combination**

- Exploit two immuno-oncology agents with complementary mode of action increasing response rate and durability and maybe overcoming resistance → combination with PD-1 or PD-L1 antagonists like pembrolizumab or avelumab

- **Cancer vaccine or intra-tumoral injections**

- Stimulate the immune system locally → intratumoral or vaccination studies

### Active clinical trials

AIPAC  
MBC study in Chinese pts  
(EOC)

TACTI-mel  
TACTI-002  
INSIGHT – Stratum D

Collaboration with  
Cytlimic  
INSIGHT - Stratum A+B

Efti has multiple shots on goal in different indications (6) and in different combinations (4)

# Clinical Development Eftilagimod Alpha (IMP321)

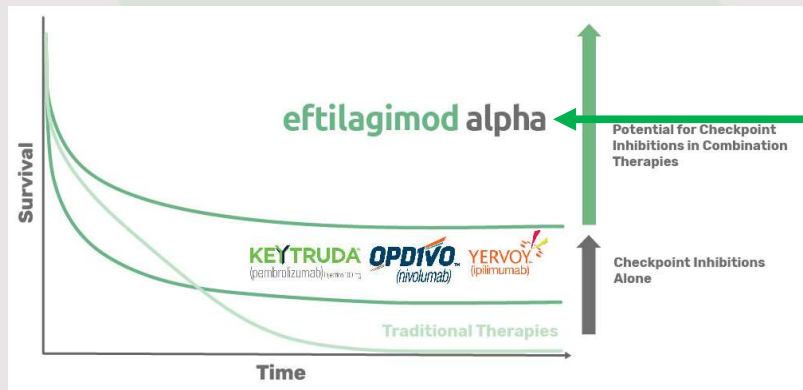
# IO Therapy Oncology Response Rates

*Approximately 70-80% of patients do not respond to anti-PD1 monotherapy.*

*How can we enable more efficacious T-cell responses?*

- Immunogenic cell death to liberate/uncover tumor antigens
- Cross-presentation of those antigens
- Recruitment of T cells into the tumor microenvironment
- Reversing the pathways driving a repressive tumor environment

*This could be achieved through the right APC activation*



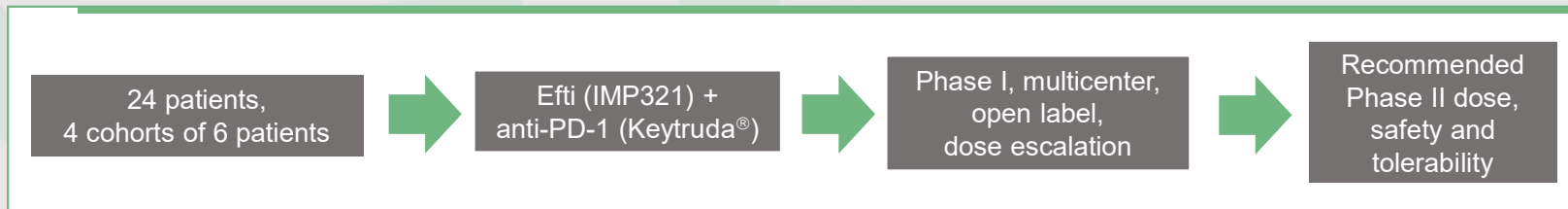
## APC activators:

- MHC II agonism
- TLR or STING agonism
- CD40 agonism
- Oncolytic viral therapies

# Efti (IMP321) in Melanoma

## TACTI-mel (IO combination) – Trial Design

TACTI-mel = Two Active Immunotherapeutics in melanoma



<b>Primary Objective</b>	Recommended dose for Phase II with efti (IMP321) + pembrolizumab Safety + tolerability
<b>Other Objectives</b>	PK and PD of IMP321, response rate, time to next treatment, PFS

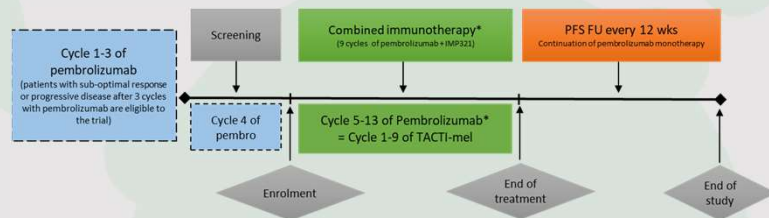
- Part A: efti (IMP321) at 1, 6 and 30 mg s.c. every 2 weeks starting with cycle 5 of pembrolizumab
- Part B: efti (IMP321) at 30 mg s.c. every 2 weeks starting with cycle 1 of pembrolizumab
- Status: recruitment completed
- Pembrolizumab (Keytruda®) 2 mg/kg every 3 weeks i.v. part A and B



# Efti (IMP321) in Melanoma

## TACTI-mel (IO combination) – Part A and Part B

### Study Scheme Part A:



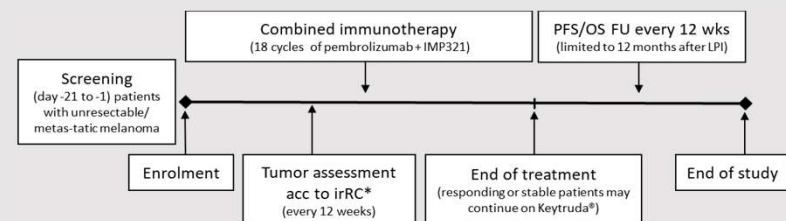
\*Tumor assessment acc to irRC

irRC...Immune-Related Response Criteria, PFS- progression free survival, FU – follow-up

### Patient population Part A:

- Patients with unresectable or metastatic melanoma with **asymptomatic progression or suboptimal response** after 3 cycles of pembrolizumab

### Study Scheme Part B:



\*eligibility determined acc. to RECIST 1.1, but treatment decisions based on irRC

### Patient population Part B:

- Patients with unresectable or metastatic melanoma eligible to pembrolizumab

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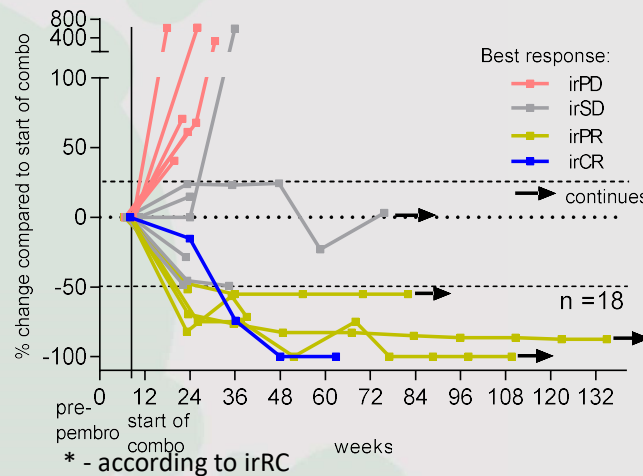
TACTI-mel (IO combination) – Results after Start of Combo (part A)



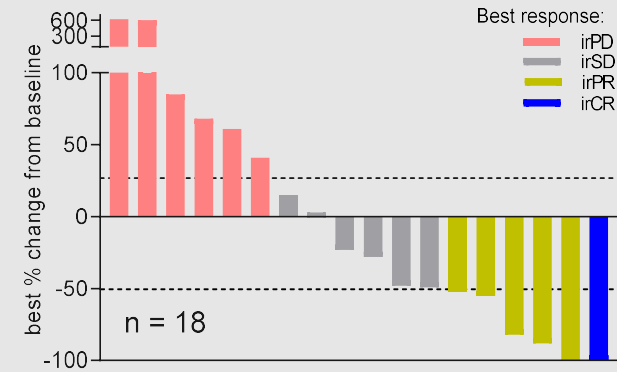
Baseline Characteristics	N = 18 (%)
ECOG 1 / 0	22 % / 78 %
Elevated LDH	7 (39%)
Metastasis stage M1c	14 (78 %)
Pre-treated with BRAF/MEK/ipilimumab	5 (28 %)

Best Overall Response acc. to irRC	N = 18 (%)
irCR	1 (6 %)
irPR#	5 (28 %) #
irSD	6 (33 %)
irPD	6 (33 %)
<b>Best overall response rate (ORR)</b>	<b>6 (33 %)</b>
Patients with tumor shrinkage	10 (56 %)
Disease control rate	12 (66 %)

**Spider plot\* (starting with cycle 5 of pembrolizumab)**



**Waterfall plot\* (starting with cycle 5 of pembrolizumab)**



Exploratory analysis (C1D1 pembrolizumab):  
**ORR of 61 %**

- Patients with very late stage of disease (M1c, elevated LDH)
- Majority not responding to pembrolizumab  
 → Tumor shrinkage in 56 % of these patients incl. 2 pts with complete disappearance of all target lesions

# - incl. 1 pt with complete disappearance of all target lesions;  
 CR acc. to RECIST 1.1



# Efti (IMP321) in Melanoma

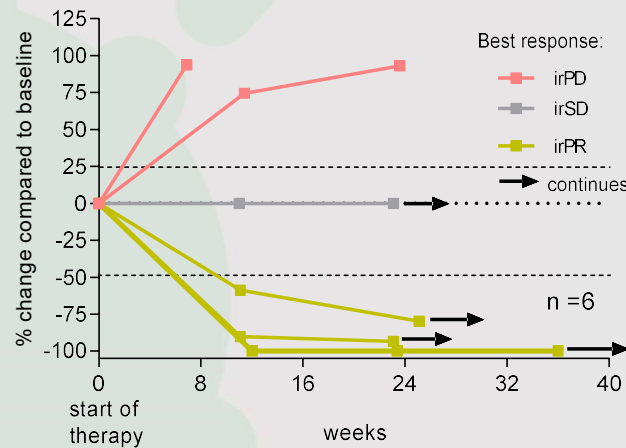
## TACTI-mel (IO combination) – Results part B

Baseline Characteristics	N = 6 (%)
ECOG (0/1)	3 (50 %) / 3 (50 %)
Sex (f/m)	1 (13 %) / 5 (83 %)
Elevated LDH	5 (83%)
Metastasis stage M1c	6 (100 %)

Best Overall Response acc. to irRC	N = 6 (%)
irCR	0 (0 %)
irPR#	3 (50 %)##
irSD	1 (13 %)
irPD	2 (25 %)
<b>Best overall response rate (ORR)</b>	<b>3 (50 %)</b>
<b>Patients with tumor shrinkage</b>	<b>3 (50 %)</b>
<b>Disease control rate</b>	<b>4 (66 %)</b>

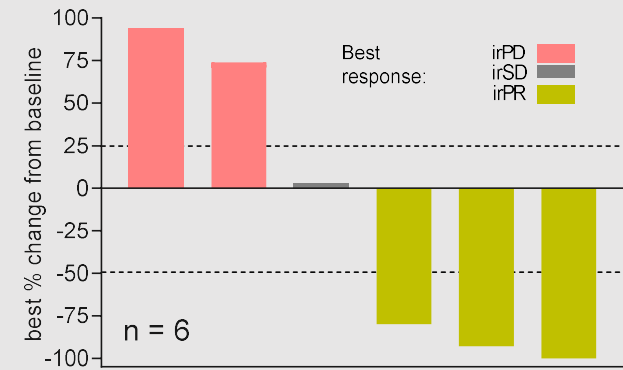
# - incl. 1 pt with complete disappearance of all target lesions

**Spider plot\* (part B)**



\* - acc to irRC

**Waterfall plot\* (part B)**



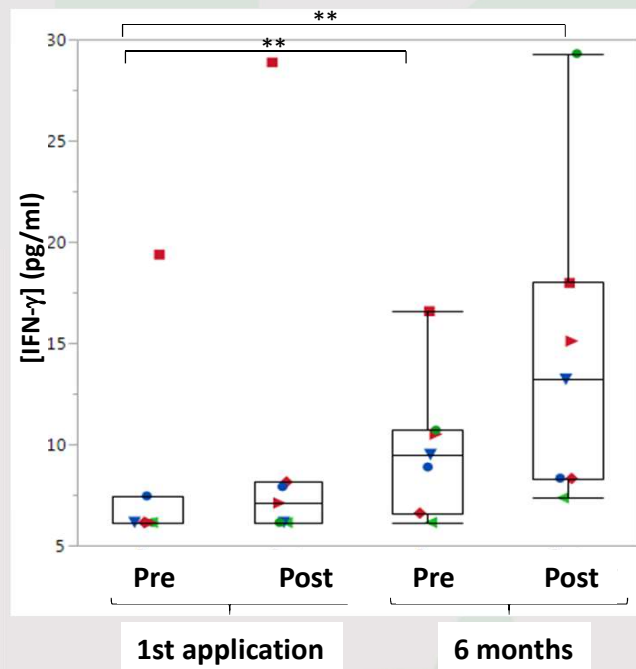
- All patients with very late stage of disease (M1c, elevated LDH)
- No DLTs or new safety signals
- Confirmed deep partial responses in 3 (50%) of the pts
- Treatment of 4 pts ongoing (currently 6+ months all)

# Efti (IMP321) in Melanoma

## TACTI-mel (IO combination) – Blood Pharmacodynamics

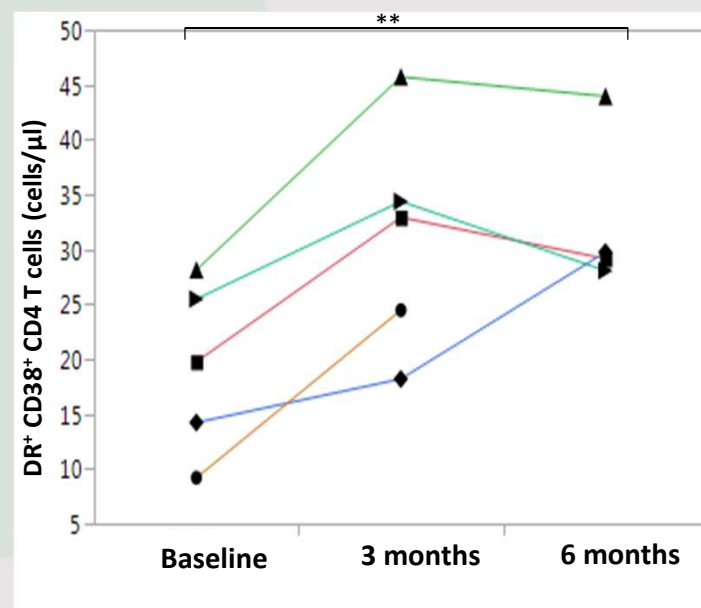
### Part A

IFN- $\gamma$  (not yet available for Part B)



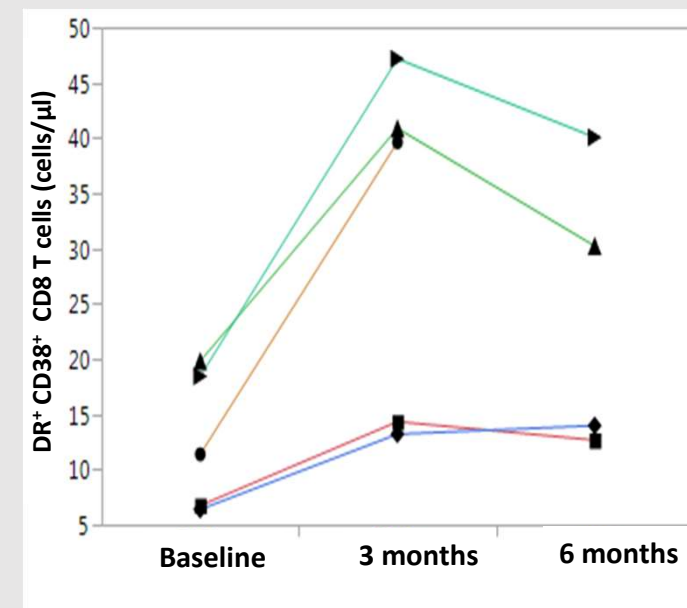
### Part B

Activated CD4 T cells



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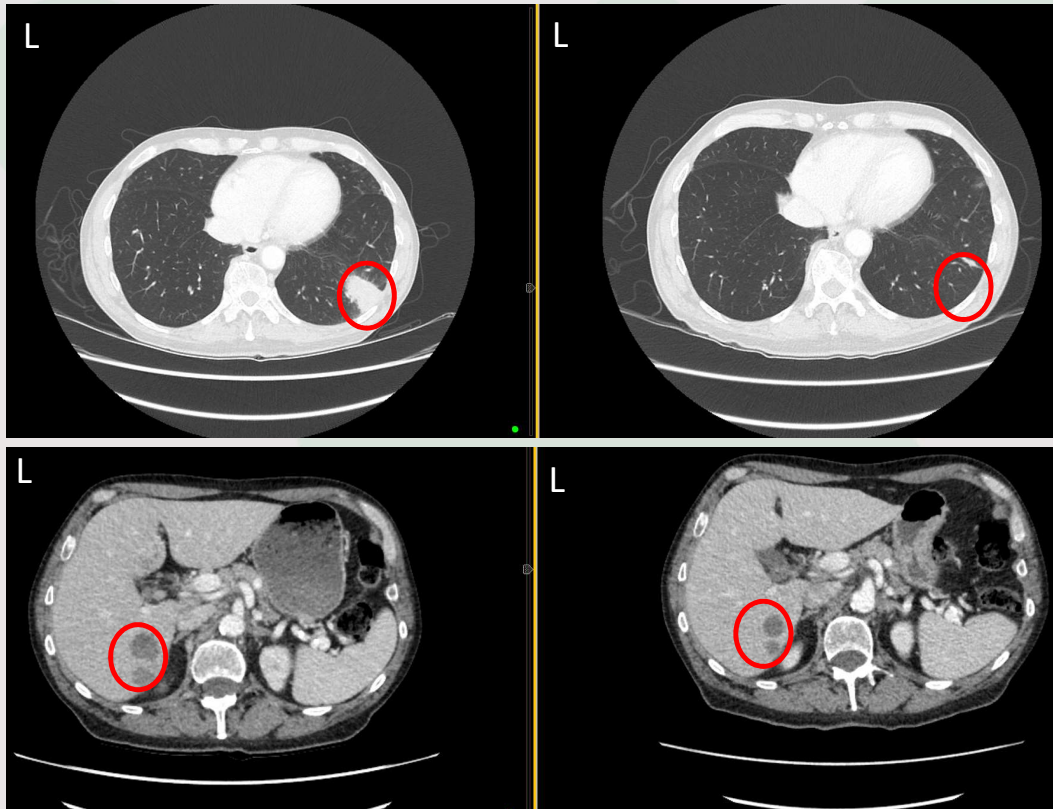
Activated CD8 T cells



# TACTI-mel part B: Single Case

July 2018 (baseline)

January 2019 (6 months)

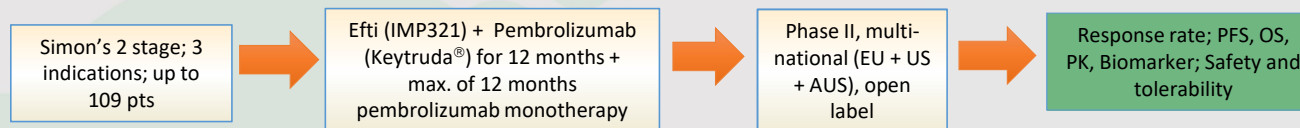


- 69 year old male
- Multiple lung, bone, liver and lymph node metastases from melanoma → **M1C stage**
- BRAF wild type
- ECOG 1

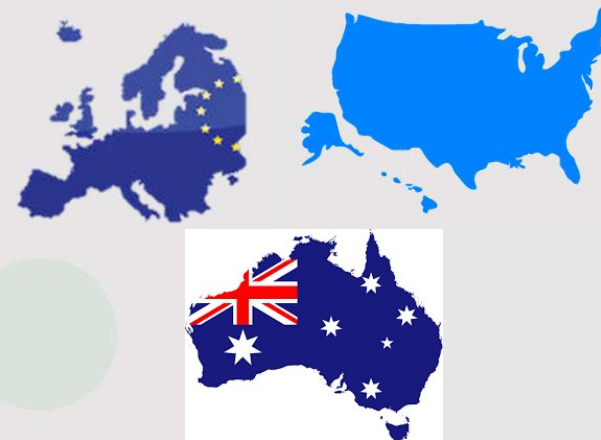
→ clear regression of lung and liver metastases  
→ treatment continues (6+ months)

# TACTI-002 Trial Design

An umbrella trial: Two ACTive Immunotherapeutics in different indications



<b>Primary Objective</b>	Response rate (iRECIST)
<b>Other Objectives</b>	Safety, PFS+OS, PK, exploratory biomarker analysis
<b>Patient Population</b>	Part A: 1 <sup>st</sup> line NSCLC PD-X naive Part B: 2 <sup>nd</sup> line NSCLC, PD-X refractory Part C: 2 <sup>nd</sup> line HNSCC, PD-X naive
<b>Treatment</b>	30 mg Efti (IMP321) s.c. 200 mg Pembrolizumab i.v.



13 sites in Europe / US / Australia

## Notes

NSCLC – non-small-cell lung cancer, HNSCC – head and neck squamous cell cancer, DMC – data monitoring committee, PFS – progression free survival, OS – overall survival, PK – pharmacokinetics, PD-X – any PD-1 or DL-1 treatment

# Thank you

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