

# Transforming How the Immune System Targets and Fights Cancer to Promote Survival

Precision Designed Science For Immunotherapy

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# Late-Stage Head and Neck Cancer Program as Value Catalyst

High-Value Lead Program with strong KOL support



 Targeted immunotherapy in HPV16-positive Recurrent and/or Metastatic Head & Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma (R/M HNSCC)

Promising Phase 2 Data



- 30 months median Overall Survival (mOS)
- 77% Disease Control Rate (DCR)
- Well tolerated: 9% Grade 3, 1% Grade 4 AE

Potent Long-Lasting "Memory" T Cells



Induction of right type and quantity of potent tumor-accumulating killer T cells observed in comprehensive preclinical and human studies

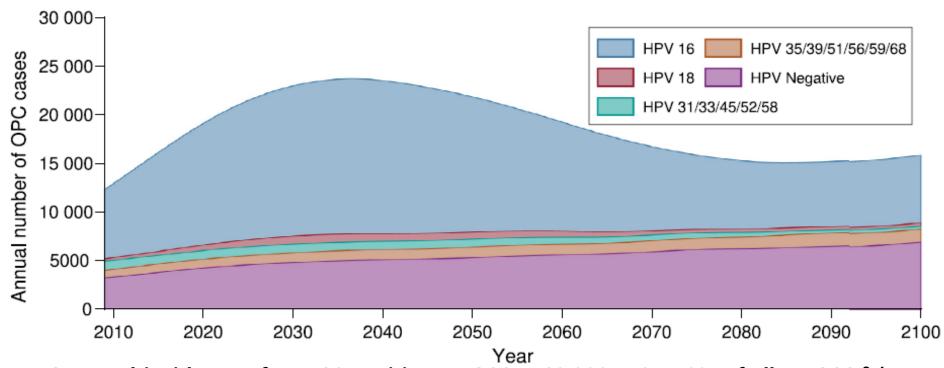
Phase 3 Design



- Fast Track designation for Versamune<sup>®</sup> HPV in HNSCC
- Alignment with FDA on Phase 3 study design
- Trial initiation planned for Q4-2024

# Significant and Growing Market Potential in HPV16-positive HNSCC

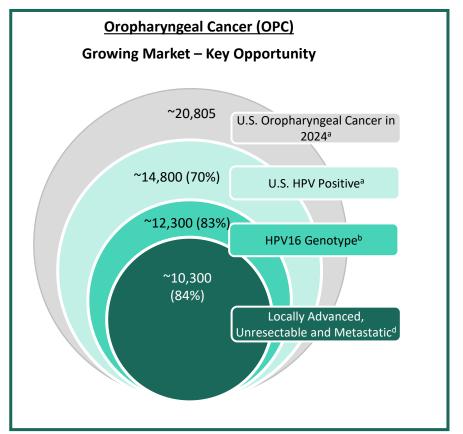
HPV16 to Drive Increased HNSCC Incidence Rates & Exceed 50% of all HNSCC by mid 2030s<sup>1</sup>

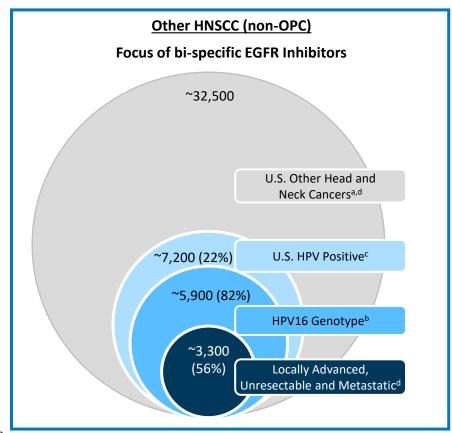


- Current US annual incidence of HPV16-positive HNSCC = 18,000 (~35-40% of all HNSCC)<sup>2-4</sup>
- Incidence of locally advanced, unresectable, metastatic HPV16+ HNSCC = 13,600<sup>4-7</sup>
- Versamune<sup>®</sup> HPV US Market Potential = \$2-3B\*
- EU HPV+ HNSCC incidence and trends similar to US

# Approx. 13,600 US Patients Annually with Advanced HPV16-positive HNSCC

# **Epidemiology-Based Estimate of Addressable Population: HNSCC8**





<sup>\*</sup>ICD-O-3 site codes C01.9, C02.4, C02.8, C05.1, C05.2, C09.0, C09.1, C09.8, C09.9, C10.0, C10.1, C10.2, C10.3, C10.4, C10.8, C10.9, C14.0, C14.2, and C14.8;

<sup>\*\*</sup>Other head and neck cancers include sinonasal, oral cavity, laryngeal, and nasopharyngeal with calculations based on weighted average with share of total head and neck cancers

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# Significant Unmet Needs Remain in Recurrent/Metastatic HPV16 HNSCC

#### Standard of Care for Recurrent or Metastatic HNSCC – Published Results\*9

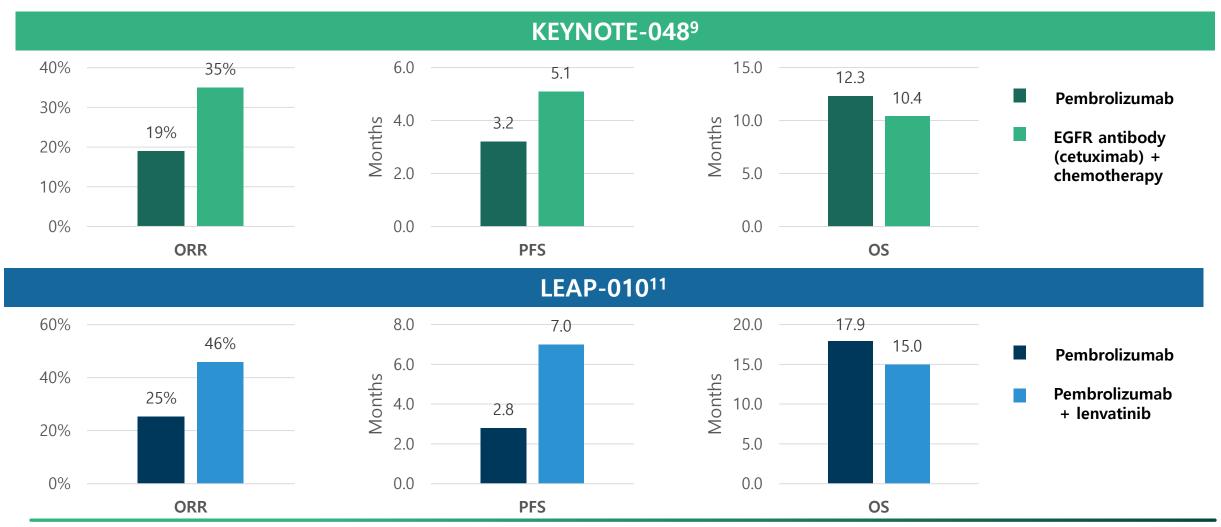
	KEYTRUDA®	KEYTRUDA® Plus Chemo	Chemotherapy + EGFR Inhibitor
Objective Response Rate (ORR)	19%	36%	35%
Progression Free Survival (PFS)	3.2 mos	5.0 mos	5.0 mos
Median Overall Survival (OS)	12.3 mos	13.6 mos	10.3 mos
Treatment Related Grade 3+ Toxicities	17%	72%	69%

# Oncologists<sup>10</sup> – Stated Unmet Medical Needs in HPV16 HNSCC

- HPV16-Specificity: Need Targeted treatment option to address the growing population of HPV16positive HNSCC and improve outcomes
- Improved Survival: Need Novel MOA that provides enhanced survival
- Improved Durability: Need Novel MOA that is clinically effective and provides more durable (long-term) responses.
- Improved Safety: Need Safe treatments that may be used with or in place of current standard of care and chemotherapy

# Versamune® HPV may Address a Significant Unmet Need in R/M HNSCC

Improved ORR and PFS Have Not Resulted in FDA-Required Improved Patient Survival



# VERSATILE-002: A Global Phase 2 Study of Versamune® HPV and Pembrolizumab in Subjects with HPV16-positive Recurrent/Metastatic HNSCC

Study Evaluating Effects of Versamune® HPV Attributes on Clinical Responses



**Partner** 



Fast Track Designation



Study Treatment

Versamune<sup>®</sup> HPV

**5 doses:** 1 mL **Subcutaneous injection** at Cycles 1, 2, 3, 4 & 12)

Pembrolizumab (KEYTRUDA®)

200mg IV Q3W up to 35 Cycles (2 years)



Key Entry Criteria for ICI Naïve Subjects

Recurrent or metastatic HNSCC

≥18 years of age

HPV16-positive tumor

Combined positive score (CPS) ≥1



Study Design

Open-label, nonrandomized, adaptive design study

31 sites in US and EU

- 2 Cohorts:
- ICI Naïve
- ICI Resistant

Enrollment complete



**Endpoints** 

#### **Primary:**

Best overall response (BOR) of confirmed complete response (CR) or confirmed partial response (PR) per RECIST v1.1

#### **Key Secondary:**

Overall Survival (OS)

Progression Free Survival (PFS) per RECIST v1.1

Safety and tolerability



### VERSATILE-002: Most Patients Had Recurrent Disease and CPS Score 1-19

# **Key Demographics and Treatment Exposure**<sup>12</sup>

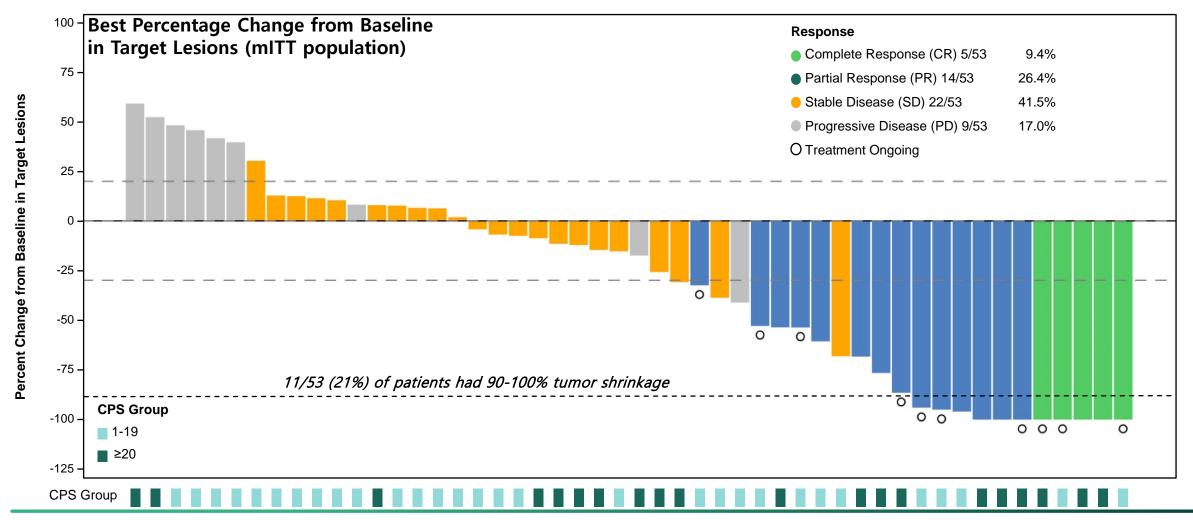
Demographic/Baseline Characteristic	Efficacy Population (N=53)
Age, Median (Min, Max)	64.0 (46, 83)
Sex, n (%)	
Male	49 (92.5)
Female	4 (7.5)
Race, n (%)	
Asian	1 (1.9)
Black or African American	1 (1.9)
White	50 (94.3)
Other	1 (1.9)
ECOG, n (%)	
0	30 (56.6)
1	23 (43.4)
<u>CPS, n (%)</u>	
1–19	32 (60.4)
≥20	21 (39.6)
Prior Therapy*, n (%)	
No Prior Therapy	10 (18.9)
Chemotherapy Only	3 (5.7)
Chemotherapy + Radiation Therapy	40 (75.5)

# Historical Responses<sup>9</sup>

- Published data reports lower ORR, PFS and OS with pembrolizumab in patients with CPS 1-19 vs. CPS ≥ 20
- Published data reports lower responses in patients with recurrent disease

Lower pembrolizumab responses

# Versamune<sup>®</sup> HPV + ICI Promoted Deep Tumor Regression in Several Patients Independent of CPS Score; Confirmed Disease Control Rate of 77.4%<sup>12</sup>

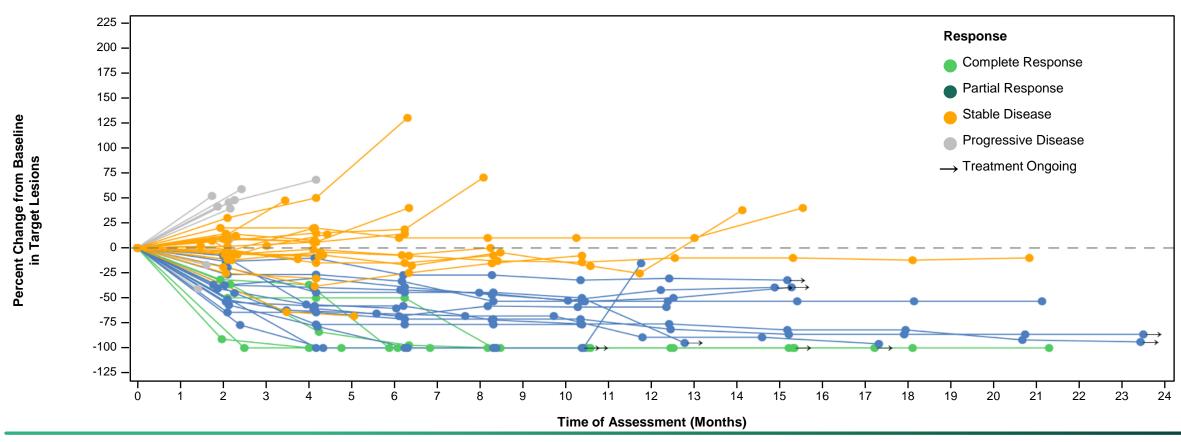




# **Extended Disease Control Observed in Majority of Patients**

Promising Long-Lasting Immune Response with CR, PR and SD Maintained Long-Term<sup>12</sup>

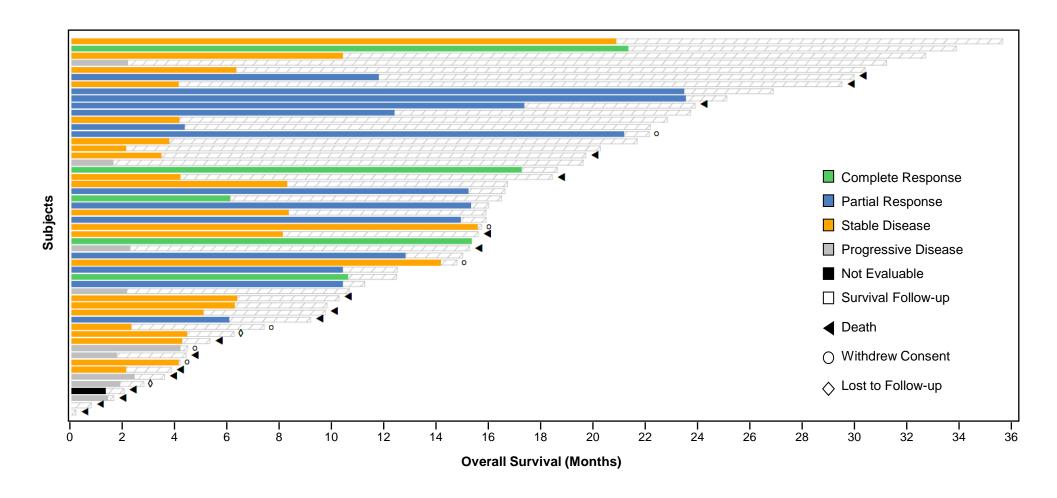
### **Best Percentage Change from Baseline in Target Lesions**





# Survival Exceeds Historical Median Survival in Majority of Patients

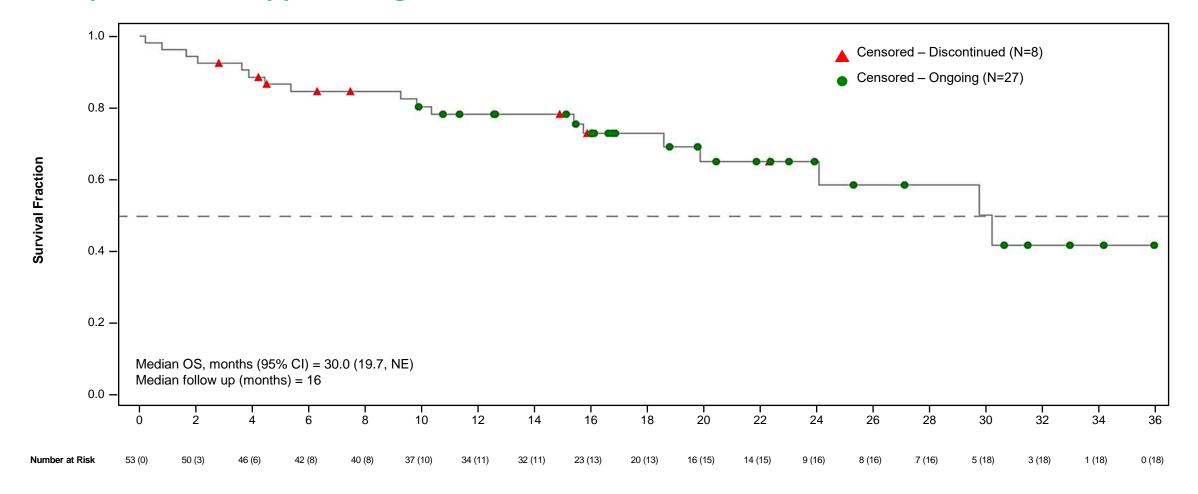
# Swimmer Plot of Overall Survival and Progression Free Survival<sup>12</sup>





### Median Overall Survival of 30 Months<sup>12</sup>

# Multiple Patients Approaching 3 Years of Survival





# Versamune® HPV Plus Pembrolizumab Appears to be Well Tolerated

8/87 (9%) Patients had a Grade 3 TRAE\*; 1/87 (1%) had a Grade 4 TRAE\*\*

TRAEs by Grade	n (%)
<b>Any Combination TRAE</b>	76 (87.4)
Grade 1	40 (46.0)
Grade 2	26 (29.9)
Grade 3	8 (9.2)
Grade 4	1 (1.1)
Grade 5	0

Non-Injection Site TRAEs ≥ 5%	n (%)
Fatigue	30 (34.5)
Headache	13 (14.9)
Diarrhea	10 (11.5)
Pruritis	9 (10.3)
Rash	7 (8.0)
Malaise	6 (6.9)
Pyrexia	6 (6.9)
Pain	5 (5.7)
Cough	5 (5.7)

Protocol stipulates 5 subcutaneous injections of Versamune® HPV: 4 injections over 2 months and a final injection after an additional 6 months



<sup>\*</sup>Grade 3 Combination-TRAE were: Fatigue (2), Rash, Alanine aminotransferase increased, Blood alkaline phosphatase increased, Lymphocyte count decreased, Autoimmune colitis, Colitis, Headache, Acute kidney injury, Hyponatremia, Hyperglycemia,

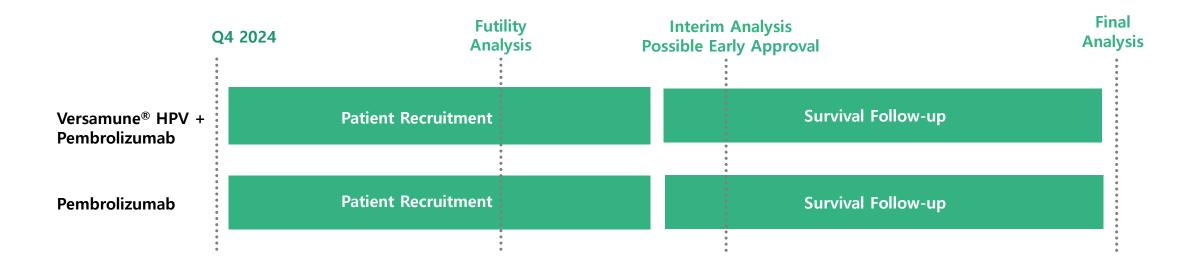
<sup>\*\*</sup>Grade 4 Combination-TRAE: encephalitis (case recorded approx. one year after last Versamune® HPV dose)

# **VERSATILE-002 Summary of Results**

- Study has met primary ORR endpoint by RECIST v1.1 in ICI naïve patients
- ORR by Investigator Assessment: 36% (CPS ≥1) and 48% (CPS ≥20)
  - 21% of patients had 90-100% shrinkage of their tumors
- Versamune® HPV + KEYTRUDA® may significantly impact DCR and OS in first line treatment of recurrent/metastatic HPV16 positive head and neck cancer
  - Median OS of 30 months in patients with CPS ≥1 and in patients with CPS ≥20
  - DCR of 77.4% in patients with CPS ≥1; 81% in patients with CPS ≥20
  - PFS of 6.3 months in patients with CPS ≥1; 14.1 months in patients with CPS ≥20
- Therapy appears to be well tolerated
- Biomarker and clinical data suggests that Versamune® HPV induces the right type and quantity of potent tumor targeting memory T cells that promote patient survival

# VERSATILE-003 First Line Recurrent/Metastatic HNSCC Study Design

### Aligned with FDA on Study Design and Initiation



#### Randomized controlled trial

- N = 440
- 2:1 randomization

#### **Primary Endpoint**

• Overall Survival (OS)

#### **Secondary Endpoints**

- Objective Response Rate (ORR)
- Disease Control Rate (DCR)
- Duration of Response (DoR)
- Progression Free Survival (PFS)

#### **Key Eligibility Criteria**

- HPV16-positive HNSCC
- CPS ≥1
- ≥18 years of age
- ECOG 0-1

# **VERSATILE-003 Trial Implementation**

# **Enabling Q4 2024 Patient Enrollment**

- CRO engaged in site selection and preparation, investigator agreements, etc.
- Approx. 130 sites
  - Site locations: US, Canada, UK, EU, Latin America
- 18-24 months estimated time to full enrollment
- 18 months estimated time to futility analysis
- Interim analysis for OS following event trigger

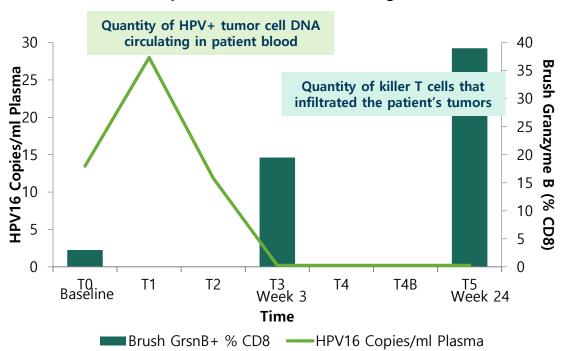


# Versamune® HPV Biomarker Studies (CD8+ T Cells)

# Long-Term Tumor Infiltration and Accumulation of Multi-functional CD8+ T Cells

Clinical: CD8 T Cell Accumulation in Tumor Correlated with Elimination of Circulating Cancer Cells (ctDNA)<sup>13,14</sup>

#### Representative Plot from a Single Patient

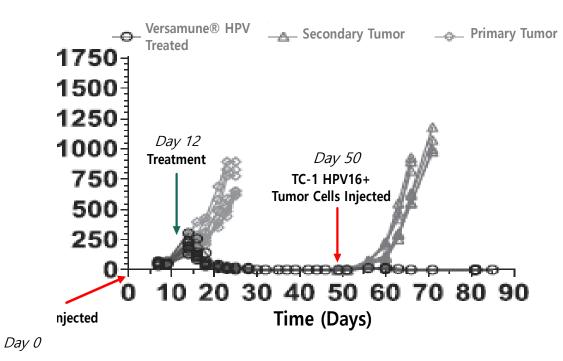


- Stage III and IV locally advanced cervical cancer patients treated with Versamune® HPV and chemoradiotherapy
- Increase in CD8 T cells in the tumor observed Day 0 to Week 24 - Supports durable responses
- 91.7% clearance of ctDNA at Week 5 vs 53.1% clearance with CRT alone - Supports long-term benefit
- ORR of 100% reported in the first 8 patients, 0% disease recurrence or disease-related deaths in 1-year follow-up

# Preclinical Versamune® HPV Biomarker Studies (Memory T Cells)

# Memory T cells Promoted Immune Surveillance and Prevented Re-establishment of Cancer

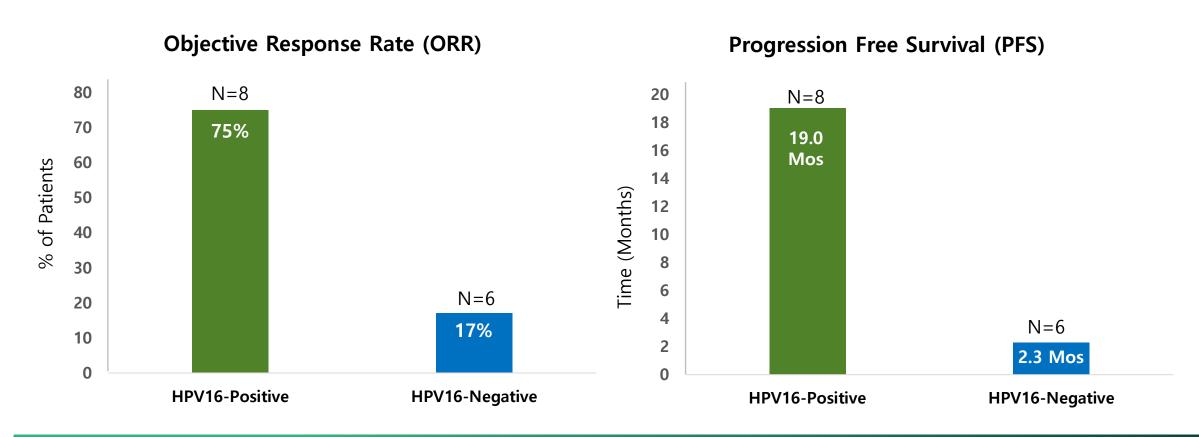
CD8 T Cells Attacked the Cancer Leading to Tumor Eradication & Memory T Cells Prevented Re-establishment<sup>15</sup>



- Day 0: HPV16+ TC1 tumor cells were injected into mice
- Day 12: Resulting tumors had a size of ~250mm³ (volume)
- Day 12: A group of the mice received a single injection of Versamune® HPV
- Day 25: All treated mice had complete regression of their tumors
- Day 50: 2 sets of mice were injected with the TC1 tumor cells
  - Set 1: Mice previously treated with Versamune® HPV
  - Set 2: Naïve mice NOT previously treated with Versamune® HPV
- Only the mice that had been previously treated with Versamune<sup>®</sup> HPV were protected against the cancer with no tumor growth

# Triple Combination Trial Inclusion of HPV16-Negative Patients in ICI Naïve Cohort Provided Internal Study Control & Demonstrated Versamune® HPV Specificity

Versamune® HPV May be Effective HPV16-targeted Immunotherapy



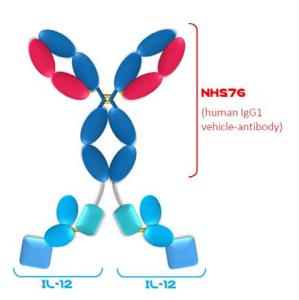
# Versamune® HPV + PDS01ADC: Novel Anti-Tumor Mechanism

# PDS01ADC + Versamune® HPV + ICI Combination May Overcome Tumor Immune Suppression

#### PDS01ADC

IL-12 fused antibody drug conjugate

Tumor Necrosis Targeting Ab (NHS76) – Binds to exposed DNA



Versamune® Activated Targeting CD8+ Killer T-**Necrotic Core** PDS01ADC binds to necrotic DNA

#### Inside

1 PDS01ADC

Infiltrates TME; Weakens Tumor's Protection from Immune System<sup>16</sup>

Stimulates T Cells in TME to Promote Expansion + Prolonged, Effective Killing<sup>16</sup>

#### **Outside**

- Versamune® HPV
  Induces Right Type & Quantity of Potent
  Killer T Cells that Target and Infiltrate
  Tumor<sup>10</sup>
- Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor
  Restores Pre-existing T Cell Responses

TME: Tumor microenvironment



# Addition of PDS01ADC to Versamune® HPV and an ICI Presents Potential for Deeper Anti-Tumor Responses and Prolonged Survival

	Versamune® HPV + PDS01ADC + ICI (First Line)	Versamune® HPV + PDS01ADC + ICI (Second Line)
Number of patients	8	29
HPV Status	HPV16-Positive	HPV16-Positive
ICI treatment Status	ICI Naive	ICI Resistant
Types of Cancer	Anal, cervical, HNSCC, vaginal/vulvar	Anal, cervical, HNSCC, vaginal/vulvar
Median OS	42 months	17 months
ORR	75%*	63% (with published effective dose of PDS01ADC, N=8)

<sup>\*</sup> Includes 1 subject with response by iRECIST

- Triple Combination appears to be well tolerated
- Biomarker and clinical data suggest that PDS01ADC may be effective in targeting the tumor to overcome immune suppression

# **Upcoming Milestones 2024-2025**

		Q3 2024	Q4 2024	1H 2025	2H 2025
V	Regulatory Confirmation of VERSATILE-003 Study Design				
	Initiate VERSATILE-003 Pivotal Study in HNSCC				
	IMMUNOCERV Trial Update in Cervical Cancer				
	File IND for Versamune® MUC1 in MUC1+ Cancers				
,	Preliminary data readout: Neoadjuvant Study in Oral Cancer				
	Initiate MUC1 Study				
	Data readouts: Multiple NCI Phase 2 studies of PDS01ADC				

# Pipeline Continues to Validate Platforms, Drive Future Opportunities

		Candidate/ Study	Indication	PC	P1	P2	Р3	Partner
		Versamune® HPV + pembrolizumab	Recurrent or metastatic HPV16-positive HNSCC		Fast Track			MERCK
	Versamune®	Versamune® HPV + chemo (IMMUNOCERV)*	1st-line treatment of locally advanced (IB3-IVA) cervical cancer					MDAnderson Cancer Center
		Versamune® HPV +/- pembrolizumab*	Neo-adjuvant treatment of locally advanced HPV-positive oropharyngeal cancer (OPSCC)					MAYO CLINIC
	Versamune®+	Versamune® HPV + PDS01ADC + ICI*	Recurrent or metastatic HPV16-positive HNSCC					NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
	PDS01ADC	Versamune® MUC1 + PDS01ADC + ICI (Phase 1/2 anticipated 2024)	Recurrent or metastatic MUC1+ cancer					NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE



# PDS01ADC Being Extensively Studied in Multiple Indications

	Candidate/ Study	Indication	PC	P1	P2	Р3	Partner
	PDS01ADC Monotherapy	Advanced/Recurrent Kaposi Sarcoma					NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
	PDS01ADC + Hepatic Artery Infusion Pump (HAIP)	Colon Cancer/Intrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma					NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
	PDS01ADC + Docetaxel	Castration sensitive and castration resistant prostate cancer					NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
PDS01ADC	PDS01ADC + Enzalutamide	PET-Positive Recurrent Prostate Cancer					NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
	PDS01ADC + Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy (SBRT)	High and Intermediate Risk Prostate Cancer					NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
	(PDS01ADC + Bintrafusp alfa) ± SBRT	Metastatic Non-Prostate Genitourinary Malignancies					NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
	PDS01ADC + Bintrafusp alfa + Entinostat	Small Bowel cancer, Colon Cancer, HPV+ Malignancies					NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE





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