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## **Investment Highlights**

Focused on advancing proprietary technology platform to address multiple high-value cancer indications

#### DNase I Oncology Platform

Aimed at improving immunotherapies and chemotherapies by targeting Neutrophil Extracellular Traps (NETs)

#### The Power of Leveraging DNase I

#### The Problem

NETs promote tumorigenesis and metastasis by shielding tumor cells from the immune system

NETs can also contribute to resistance to chemotherapy, checkpoint inhibitors and radiotherapy

#### DNase I – Our Innovative Solution

DNase I is an enzyme that can eliminate NETs;

\*DNase I digests both double and single stranded DNA, as well as DNA:RNA hybrids

By eliminating NETs, DNase I exposes cancer cells to the immune system and reduces therapy resistance, improving responses to chemotherapy, immunotherapy and other targeted cancer treatments



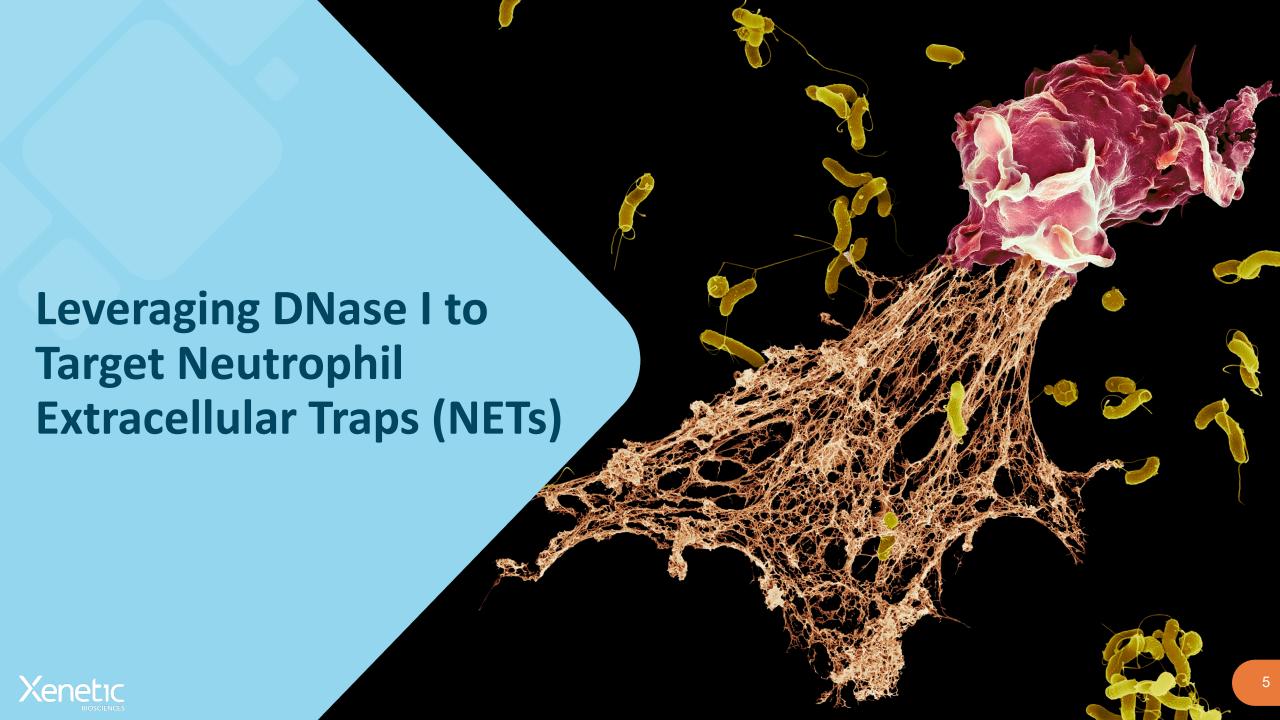
## **Innovative Oncology Pipeline**

Opportunity to Address Multiple Oncology Indications

#### **DNase I**

PROGRAM	TECHNOLOGY	INDICATIONS	PRECLINICAL	IND ENABLING	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	HIGHLIGHTS
XBIO-015	Systemic DNase I (+Chemo)	Pancreatic Carcinoma		<b>—</b>		<b></b>	Working toward study to evaluate combination with standard of care chemotherapies
	Systemic DNase I (+ICIs)	Solid Tumors		0		-	Working toward study to evaluate combination with immune checkpoint inhibitors
	Systemic DNase I (+CAR T)	Solid Tumors	<del></del>			<b></b>	Potential to enhance CAR T cell function in the tumor microenvironment
XBIO-020	DNase I-Armored CAR T	Solid Tumors	<del></del> 0-			<b>—</b>	Potential to enhance CAR T cell function in the tumor microenvironment

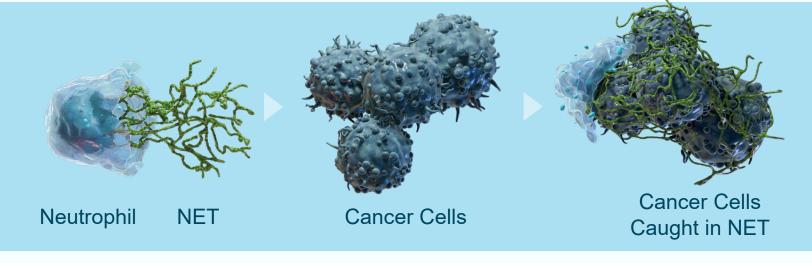




# The Role of Neutrophil Extracellular Traps (NETs)

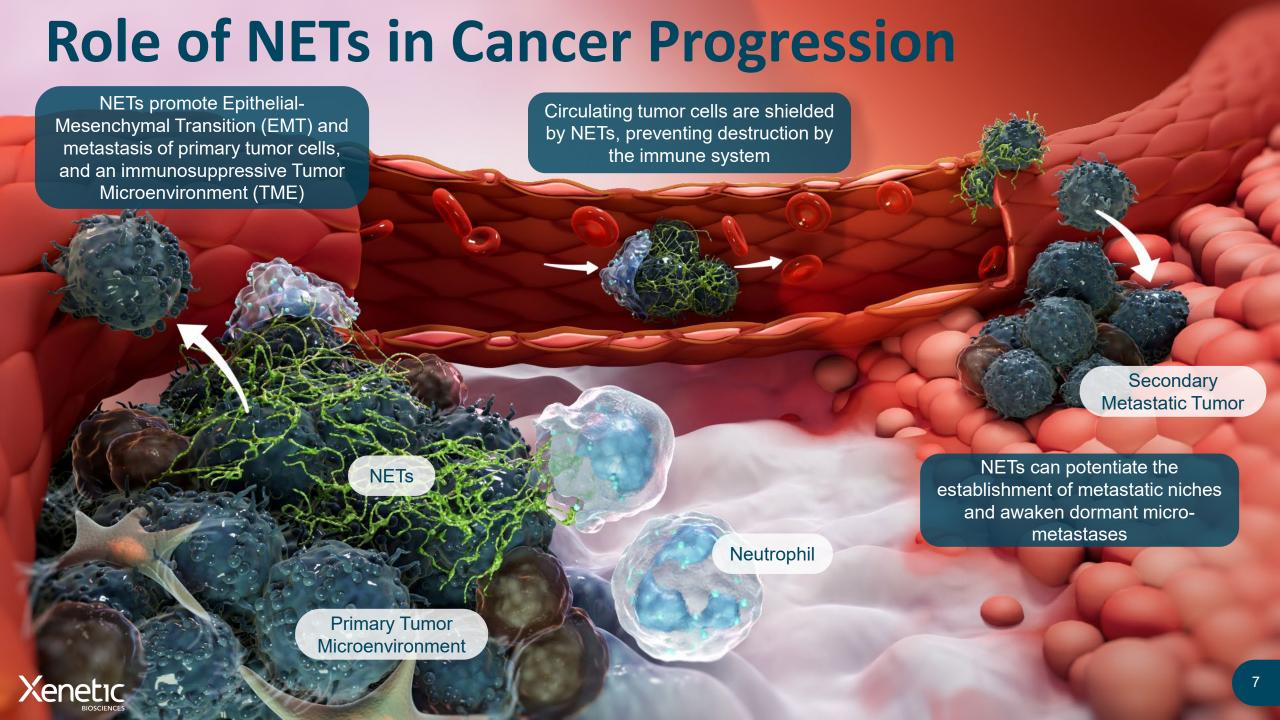
NETs Are Part of the Innate Immune Response to Kill Invading Pathogens

NETs are composed of cell-free DNA, histones, neutrophil elastase, MMP-9 and other proteins



Elevated levels of NETs lead to inflammation and a pro-tumorigenic environment that potentiates coagulopathies and cancer progression





# NETs Can Limit the Effectiveness of Current Cancer Therapies



Shaping of the Tumor Microenvironment (TME)

Engaging in Pro-Tumorigenic and Immunosuppressive Signaling, Thereby Promoting Cancer Cell Proliferation, Invasion and Metastasis

Promoting Hypercoagulability and Treatment-Associated Thrombosis Exacerbated by Chemotherapy



#### Systemic DNase I Mechanism of Action Co-Administered with Immune **Checkpoint Inhibitors or Chemotherapy Decreased Metastasis NETs** Elimination of NETs **DNase I** DNase I is an enzyme that digests DNA and can eliminate NETs thereby exposing cancer cells to the immune system, and improve chemotherapy, immunotherapy and other targeted Less immunosuppressive cancer treatments Neutrophil **Tumor Microenvironment** Xenetic

# DNase I Has the Potential to Improve Current Cancer Therapies

Overcome T cell exclusion and immunosuppressive signals by the tumor microenvironment (TME)

Improve side effect profiles of current ChemoRx





# DNase I Improves Efficacy of PD-1 Blockade

Systemic administration of DNase I improves the efficacy of PD-1 blockade to reduce the growth of cancer in the MC38 model of colorectal cancer cell

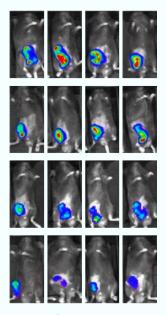
Combination of DNase I and anti-PD-1 mAb resulted in the lowest tumor volume growth, superior to either DNase I or anti-PD-1 alone

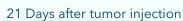
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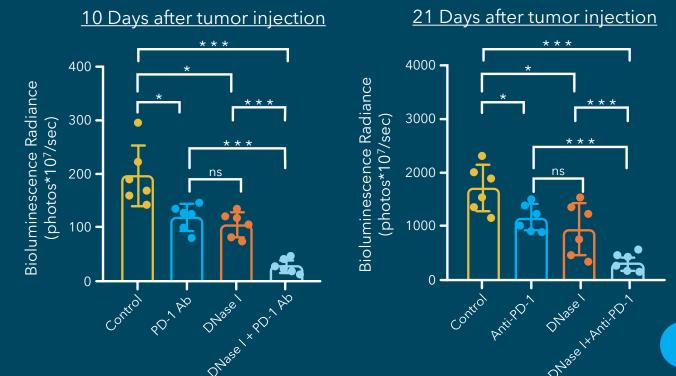
Anti-PD-1

DNase I+
Anti-PD-1

10 Days after tumor injection



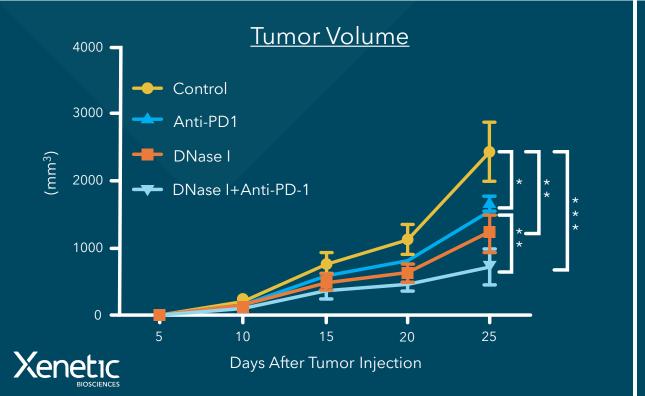


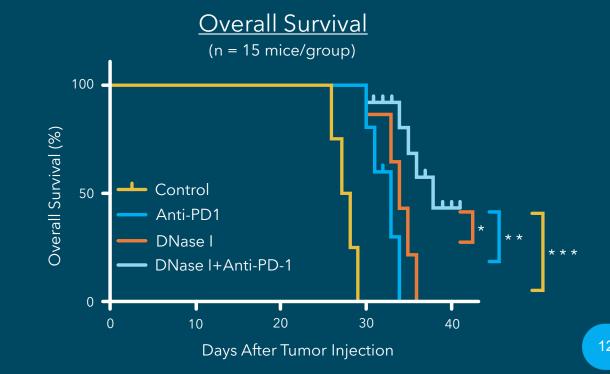




# DNase I Slowed Tumor Growth and Prolonged Survival

Systemic Administration of DNase I and Anti-PD-1 Resulted in the Slowest Tumor Growth and Prolonged Overall Survival in the MC38 Model of Colorectal Cancer Cell



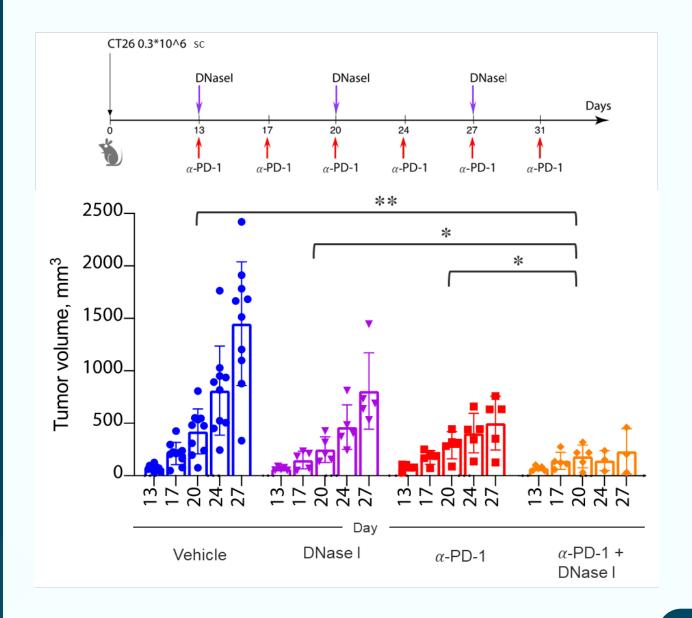


## Systemic DNase I **Administration Enhances Antitumor Activity of** $\alpha$ -PD-1 Immunotherapy in a Subcutaneous Primary **Tumor Model of** MSS/MMRp CRC

CT26 Colorectal Carcinoma Subcutaneous implant, Day 0 Dosing start, Day 13 P < 0.05

P < 0.01

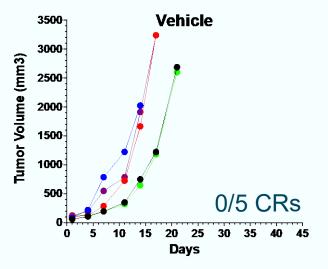
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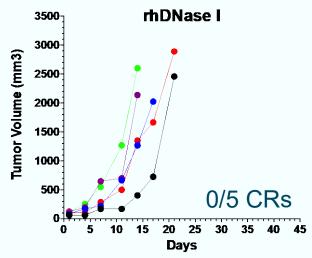


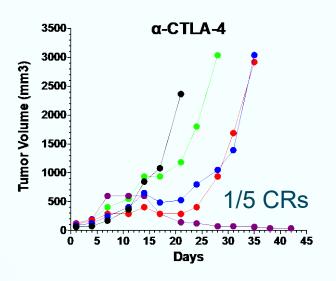


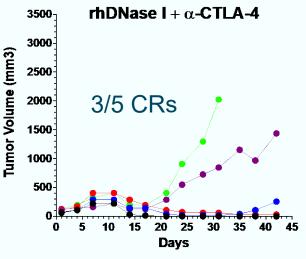
## DNase I Enhances Anti-Tumor Activity of $\alpha$ -CTLA-4 Immune Checkpoint Blockade

CT26 Colorectal Carcinoma Subcutaneous implant, Day 0 Dosing start, Day 14









P = 0.0162 vs.  $\alpha$ -CTLA-4 monoRx

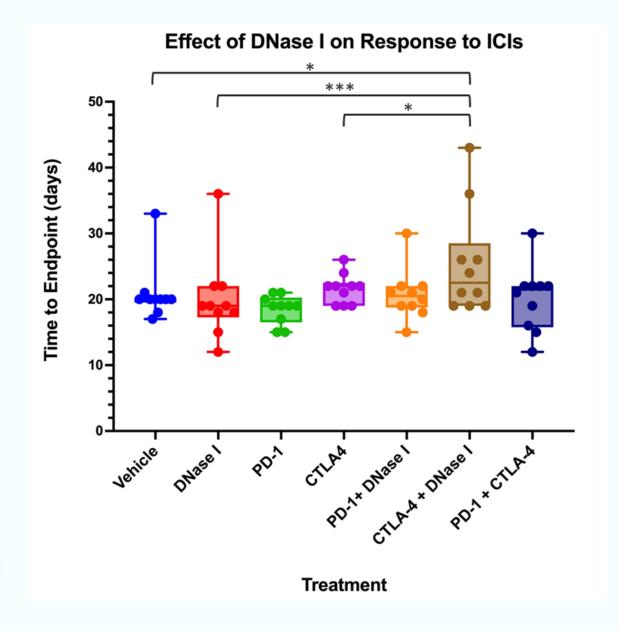


# DNase I Enhances Anti-Tumor Activity of α-CTLA-4 Immune Checkpoint Blockade and Prolongs Survival in the CT26 Model of Peritoneal Metastasis

#### CT26 Colorectal Carcinoma

Intraperitoneal implant

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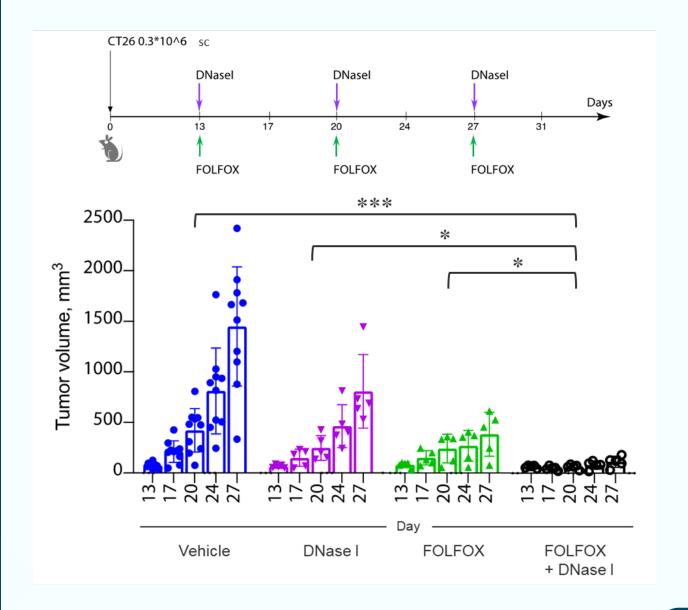




## Systemic DNase I **Administration Enhances Antitumor Activity of FOLFOX Chemotherapy** in a Subcutaneous **Primary Tumor Model of** MSS/MMRp CRC

CT26 Colorectal Carcinoma
Subcutaneous implant, Day 0
Dosing start, Day 13
\*\* P < 0.05

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** P < 0.01
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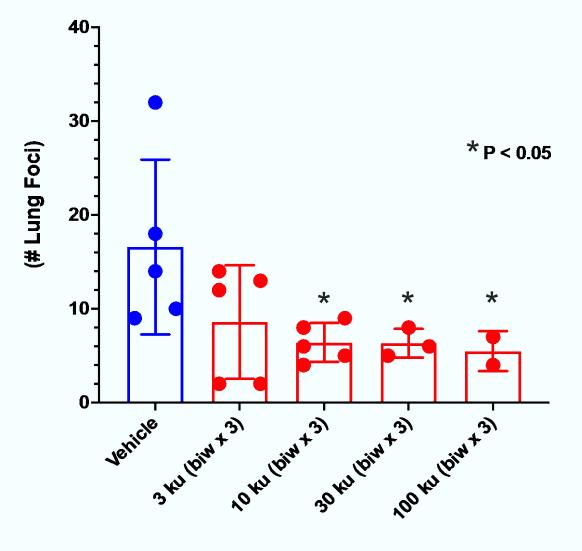
# DNase I Monotherapy Displays Anti-Metastatic Activity, and Reduces Metastatic Burden in the 4T1 TNBC Model of Spontaneous Metastasis

#### 4T1 TNBC

Mammary fat pad implant, Day 0
Dosing start, Day 7
Lung metastases assessed, Day 19

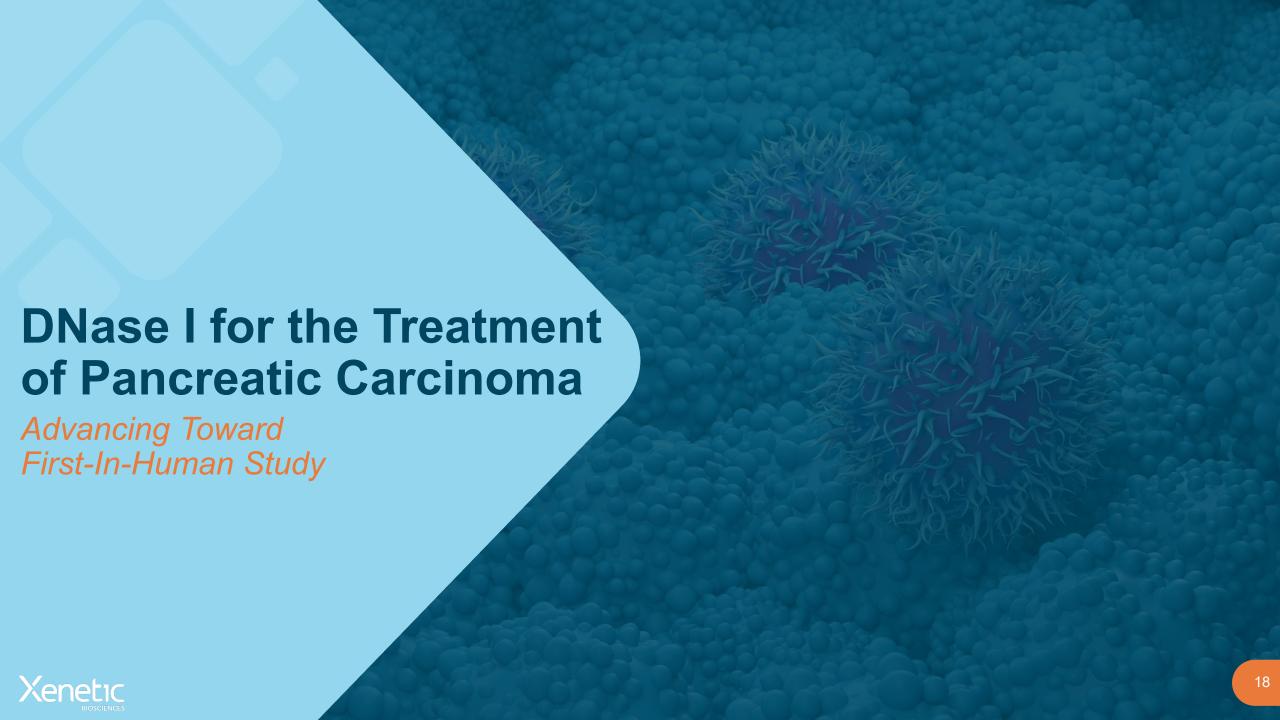
\*ku = Kunitz units/Dose

#### **Effect of DNase I on 4T1 Metastatic Burden**

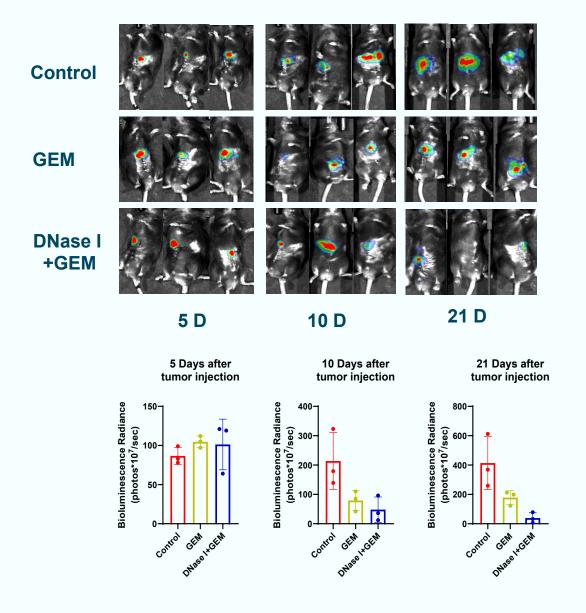


**DNase I** 





## DNase I *Plus* Gemcitabine Chemotherapy Reduces Metastatic Burden in the PAN02 Model of Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma (PDAC) Liver Metastasis





# Initially Targeting Pancreatic Carcinoma

Multi-Billion-Dollar Indication with Significant Unmet Need

Early detection is currently not feasible – most patients are diagnosed at advanced stages

5-year survival for advanced stage patients: ~3%1



~62,000 Diagnosed Annually<sup>2</sup>

~50,000 Deaths Annually<sup>2</sup>

\$4.8B Projected Market by 2025<sup>3</sup>



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## **Currently Planned Phase 1 Study**

Multicenter, dose escalation and dose-expansion in subjects with locally advanced or metastatic solid tumors



IV administration of recombinant human DNase I

Monotherapy dose escalation followed by expansion in two cohorts

Combined with chemotherapy for pancreatic cancer patients

Combined with immunotherapy for patients with other solid tumor indications

Primary Endpoints: safety, tolerability, efficacy, MTD and recommended Phase 2 dose

Secondary Endpoints: PK, efficacy (ORR by RECIST)

# **Key Drivers for Success**

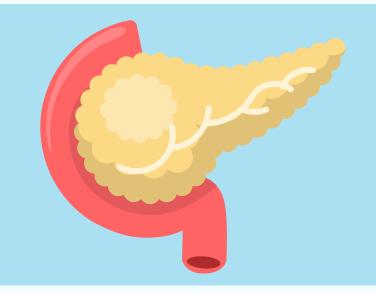
Pancreatic Cancer is a Challenging Indication but We Believe We Will Be Successful

1L PDAC has 40% ORR, 7.5 months PFS, 11.1 months OS

#### Ipsen's NAPOLI-3 Study1

NALIRIFOX demonstrated 42% ORR vs. 36% ORR for nab-paclitaxel and gemcitabine

mPFS for NALIRIFOX was 7.4 months vs. 5.6 months for nab-paclitaxel and gemcitabine



#### Relatively Low Hurdle for Demonstrating Clinical Meaningfulness

ORR > 50% or PFS > 9 Months Would Be Meaningful Improvement to Current SOC



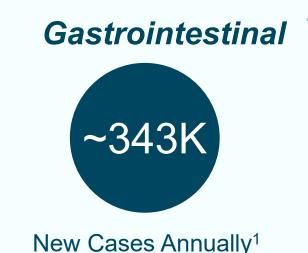
# Application Across a Number of Solid Tumors

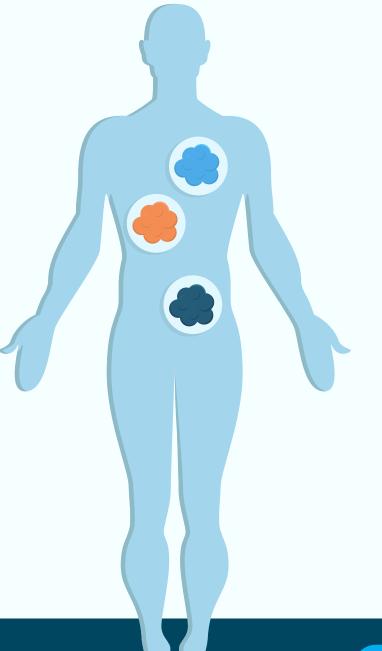
~1.9 million new solid tumor cases in the U.S. in 20221

~.6 million solid tumor-related deaths in the U.S. in 2022<sup>1</sup>











# DNase I Armored CAR T for Solid Tumors

#### Requirements for Successful T Cell Therapies in Solid Tumors

Find the tumor

Infiltrate and persist in tumor

Maintain cytotoxic function

## Barriers to Success in the Tumor Microenvironment

Physical barriers (e.g., extracellular matrix or NETs) impeding infiltration and occluding tumor cell contact

Immunosuppressive signaling from bioactive elements within the TME

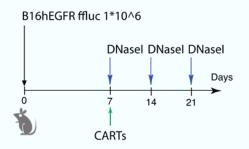


### **DNase I-Armored CAR T for Solid Tumors**



# Proof of Concept: Systemic DNase I Enhances CAR T Antitumor Activity in B16 Model of Metastatic Melanoma

<u>B16-hEGFR melanoma</u> Intravenous implant



CAR constructs: anti-hEGFR.CD28.CD3z /GFP anti-hCEA.CD28.CD3z /GFP

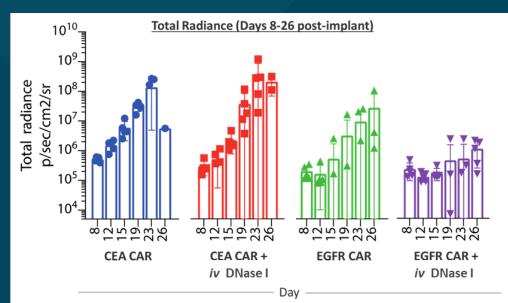
Group 1: 2 x 10<sup>6</sup> CEA CAR-T (negative control)

Group 2: 2 x 10<sup>6</sup> CEA CAR-T + iv DNase I (negative control + iv DNase I)

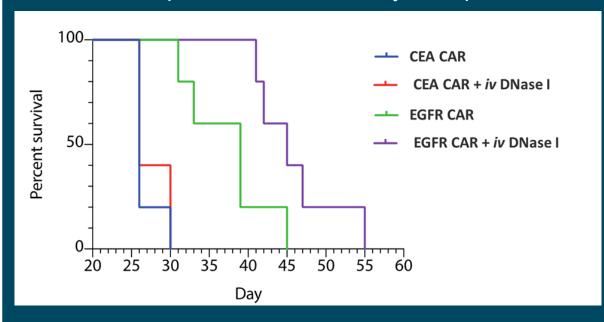
Group 3: 2 x 10<sup>6</sup> EGFR CAR-T

Group 4: 2 x 10<sup>6</sup> EGFR CAR-T + iv DNase I

#### **Tumor Burden**



#### Kaplan-Meier Survival by Group





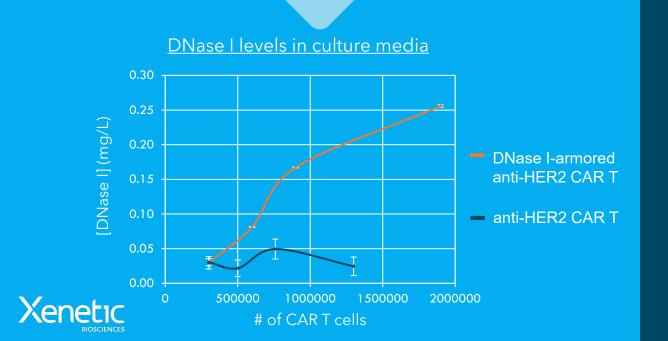
# DNase I Armored CAR T: Proof of Concept

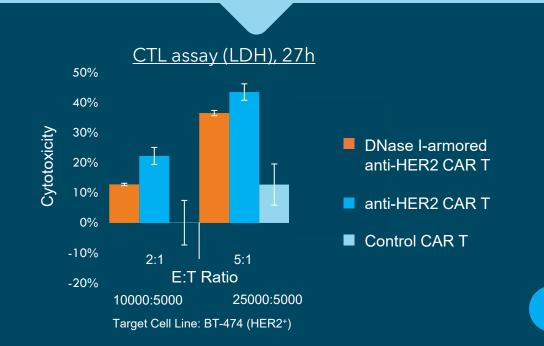
Ability to Design CART Cells That Deliver DNase I While Maintaining CART Function

#### HER2-Targeting, DNase I-Armored CAR T Cells:

Secrete DNase I

Retain Cytotoxic Function





# Advancing with Collaboration Partner, VolitionRX

Developing Proprietary Adoptive Cell Therapies Potentially Targeting Multiple Solid Cancer Types



**DNase I-Armored CAR T** 



Nu.Q® Technology

Expect Volition to fund research program and two parties to share proceeds from commercialization or licensing of any products arising from the collaboration



# Intellectual Property and Exclusivity

#### Systemic DNase I

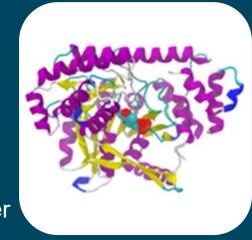
#### **DNase I-Armored CAR T**

#### IP Portfolio

Co-administration of Systemic DNase I with ICIs, Radiation, Chemo

#### **Orphan Designation**

DNase I for pancreatic cancer



#### IP Portfolio

Co-administration of Systemic DNase I with CAR T

DNase I-secreting CAR T cells





# Team with Proven Expertise



James F. Parslow, MBA, CPA Interim Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer



Reid P. Bissonnette, Ph.D.

Translational Research

and Development

Over 35 years of experience providing financial, operational and business leadership to biotech, e-commerce and cleantech industries

Over 25 years of experience in small molecule drug discovery and development and biotherapeutics; well-established translational scientist, drug hunter and senior manager of Oncology and Inflammation drug R&D



# Scientific Advisory Board



#### Dr. Jonathan Spicer

Associate Professor of Surgery at McGill University and Medical Director of the McGill University Health Center (MUHC) Thoracic Oncology Network; recognized as a leader in understanding how neutrophils impact cancer progression, in particular, the role of NETs in cancer biology



#### Dr. Allan Tsung

Chair of the Department of Surgery at the University of Virginia School of Medicine and Director of the Cancer Therapeutics program at the University of Virginia Comprehensive Cancer Center; specializes in treating patients with liver, bile duct and pancreatic cancer



#### Dr. Matthew Frigault

Medical Oncologist in the Hematologic Malignancy Program at the Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center, as well as Assistant Director of the Cellular Immunotherapy Program; serves as an Instructor at Harvard Medical School



#### Dr. Guenther Koehne

Internationally recognized cancer specialist and current Chief of Blood & Marrow Transplant and Hematologic Oncology at the Miami Cancer Institute



#### Dr. Maksim Mamonkin

Assistant Professor, Pathology and Immunology and an independent faculty member at the Center for Cell and Gene Therapy at Baylor College of Medicine



## **Key Upcoming Milestones**

#### **Assets**

✓ IP supporting the use of DNase I in cancer

- ✓ IND-enabling GLP Tox studies in 2 species for systemic DNase I
- ✓ Cell line & established cGMP process and manufacturing

#### **Achievements**

- Engaged Catalent, preeminent CDMO for clinical manufacturing
  - Process improvement & refinement
- Enhanced preclinical data set
  - Inform clinical trial design
  - Partnership potential
- ✓ Academic collaborations



#### **2025 Activities**

Enhance preclinical data set

Phase 1 study start

Dose escalation and expansion data available



## **Investment Summary**

Advancing Proprietary Technology Platform Aimed at Improving Immunotherapies by Targeting Neutrophil Extracellular Traps (NETs)

DNase I oncology platform has the potential to improve the efficacy of current cancer therapies

Initially targeting pancreatic carcinoma, a multi-billion-dollar indication with significant unmet need

Multiple key value-driving milestones expected over the next 12-24 months



