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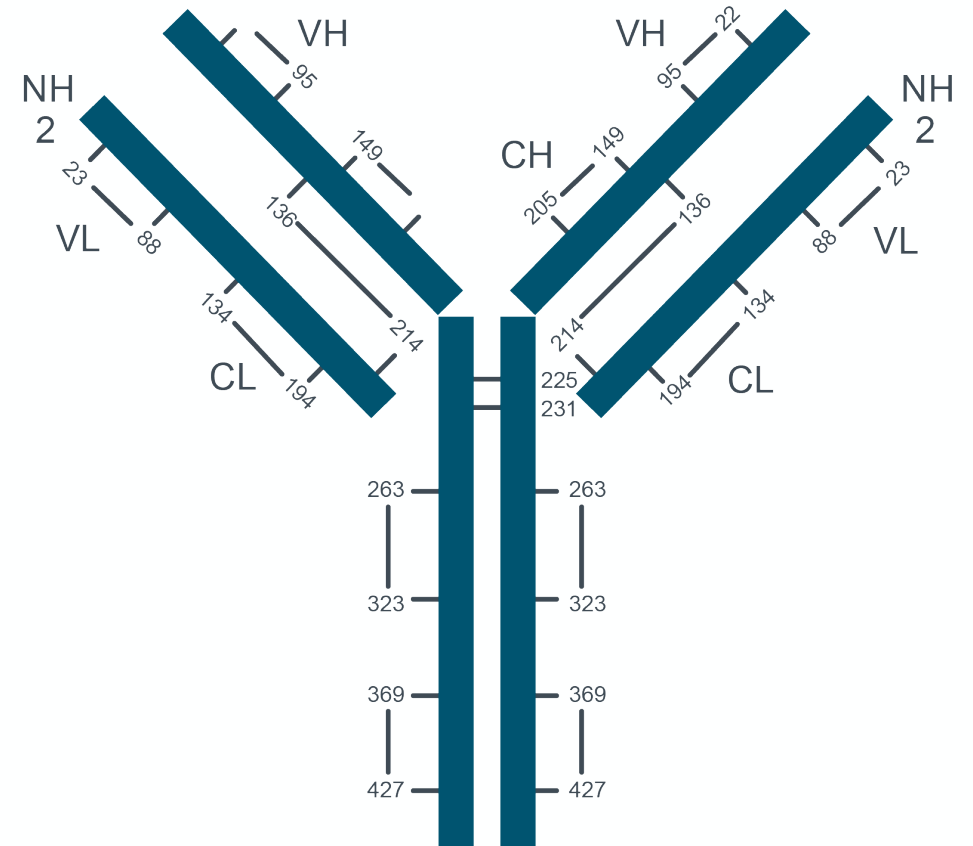
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**BTLA**; B and T Lymphocyte Attenuator; **COVID-19 ARDS**, SARS-COV2 associated acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS); **IND**; investigational new drug; **LIGHT**, Lymphotoxin-like, exhibits Inducible expression, and competes with HSV Glycoprotein D for **HVEM**, a receptor expressed by T lymphocytes; **mAb**, monoclonal antibody; **NEA**, non-eosinophilic asthma; **POC**, Proof of concept studies; **SAB**, Scientific Advisory Board; **UC**, ulcerative colitis



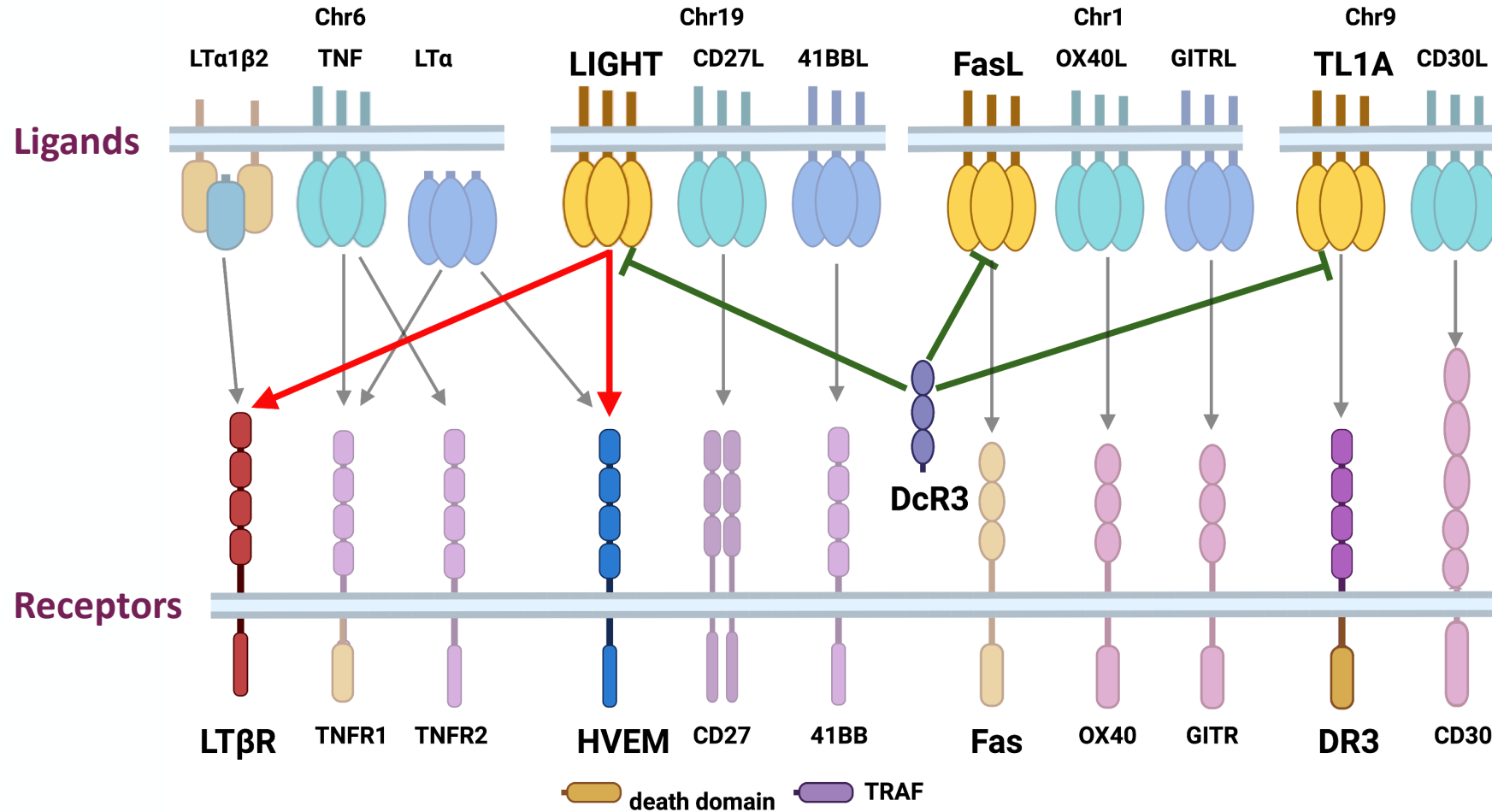
# AVTX-002 (quisovalimab): First-in-Class Neutralizing Anti-LIGHT mAb

- Fully human monoclonal antibody to LIGHT
- CMC at 2,000 L scale; 6-month toxicology completed
- Positive proof of concept in COVID-19 ARDS
- Positive Phase 2 trends:
  - Crohn's Disease
  - NEA in sub-population of patients with elevated baseline LIGHT levels
- Strong preclinical and clinical rationale to support UC as next indication



# TNF SuperFamily of Ligands (*TNFSF*) and Receptors (*TNFRSF*)

## Inflammation, Immunoregulation and Homeostasis



- LIGHT is a member of a select group of key immunomodulator cytokines (TL1A, FasL) that are “regulated” by Decoy Receptor 3 (DcR3)
- DcR3 loss of function has been associated with autoimmune diseases including Crohn’s disease

C. F. Ware, Ruddle, N.H. TNF Superfamily of Cytokines and Receptors. M. F. Flajnik ed. *Paul's Fundamental Immunology*. Publisher: Wolters Kluwer Health 2022 8th ed. Vol. Ch 10, 308-343.

Cardinale CJ, et al., Targeted resequencing identifies defective variants of decoy receptor 3 in pediatric-onset inflammatory bowel disease. *Genes Immun*. 2013 Oct;14(7):447-52. doi: 10.1038/gene.2013.43. Epub 2013 Aug 22.

# LIGHT in IBD

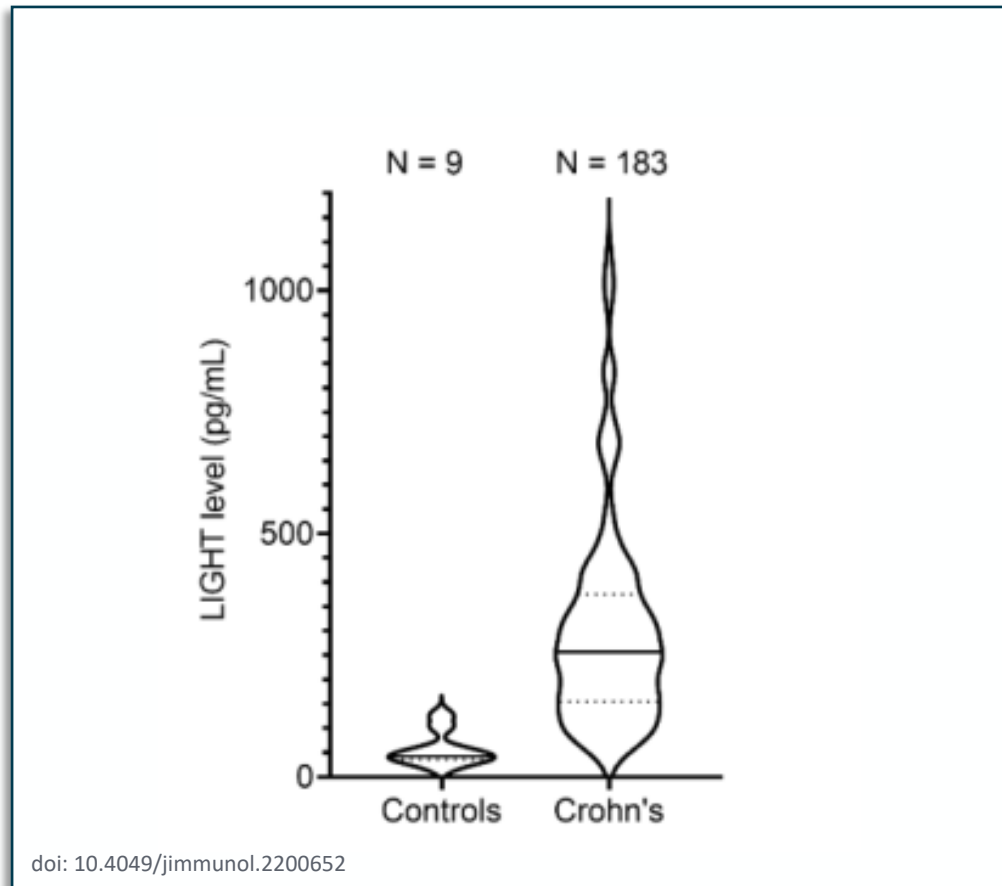
There are multiple lines of evidence regarding the involvement of LIGHT in IBD

- Animal models of IBD demonstrate:
  - LIGHT overexpression leads to intestinal inflammation<sup>1</sup>
  - Anti-LIGHT treatment amelioration of inflammation<sup>2</sup>
- Patient data demonstrate:
  - Elevated serum levels of LIGHT in Crohn's Disease and UC patients<sup>3</sup>
  - High LIGHT mRNA levels were detected in human inflamed intestinal tissue compared to control<sup>4</sup>
  - Upregulation of LIGHT is associated with Crohn's disease severity<sup>5</sup>
  - Clinically meaningful mucosal healing signal observed in Avalo's open-label POC study in CD<sup>6</sup>

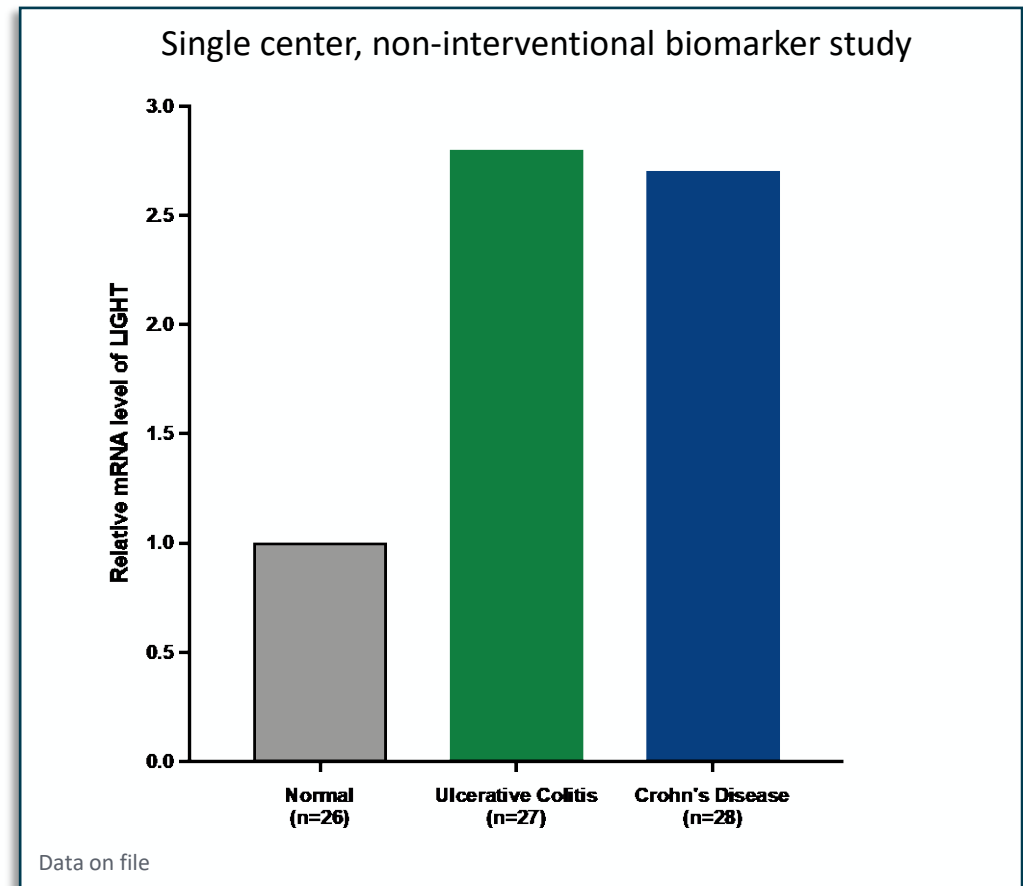
<sup>1</sup>doi:10.4049/jimmunol.167.11.6330; <sup>2</sup>doi:10.1111/j.1365-2567.2009.03131; <sup>3</sup>doi: 10.4049/jimmunol.2200652; <sup>4</sup>doi: 10.4049/jimmunol.174.2.646; <sup>5</sup>doi: 10.4049/jimmunol.174.12.8173; <sup>6</sup>Data on file



# LIGHT in IBD: Patient and Biomarker Data



**Serum free LIGHT is higher in pediatric CD compared to healthy controls**



**Elevated mRNA levels of LIGHT were detected in the inflamed tissues of patients with IBD, compared to healthy controls**

# quisovalimab: Phase 1b Study in Crohn's Disease

The logo for Avalo Therapeutics features a large, light blue, brush-stroke style arc that curves from the bottom left towards the top right, framing the company name. The name 'avalo' is written in a lowercase, sans-serif font, with the 'a' and 'o' having a slight circular design element. Below 'avalo', the word 'THERAPEUTICS' is written in a smaller, uppercase, sans-serif font.

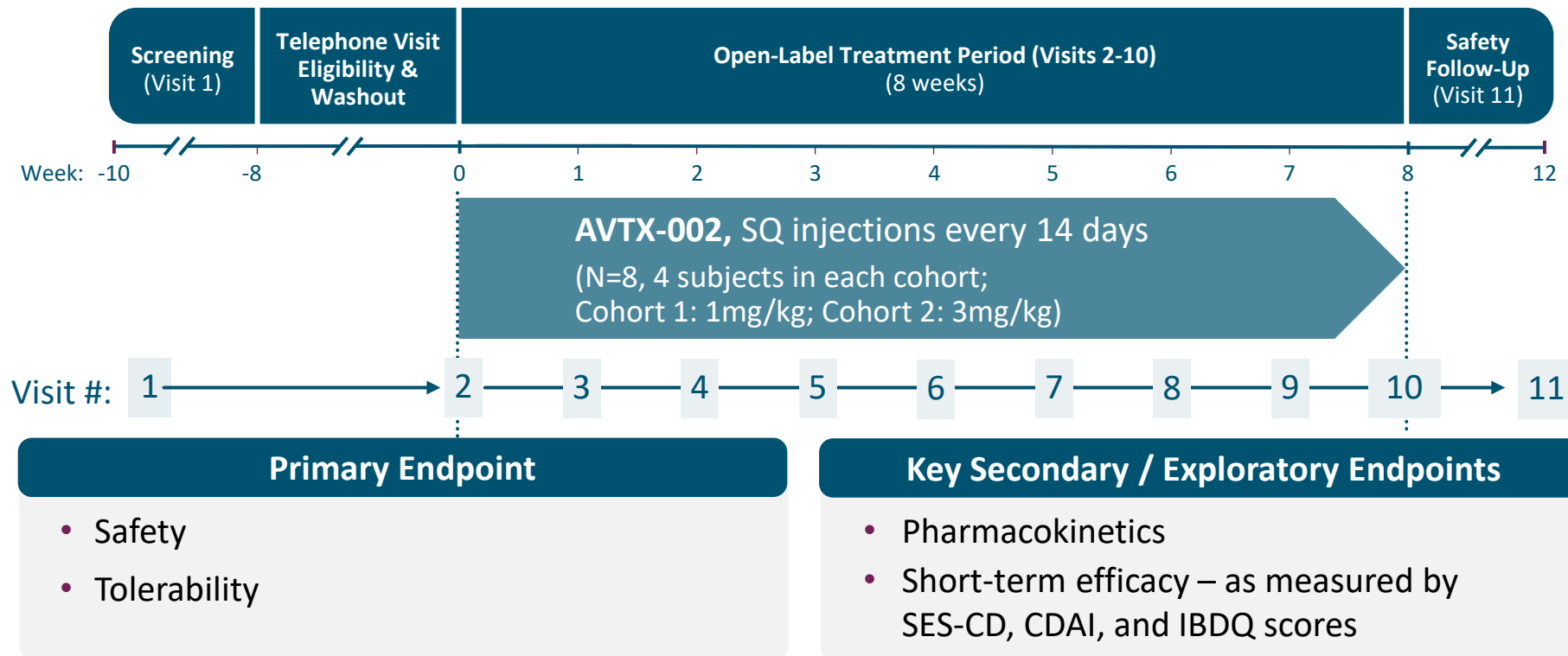
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# quisovalimab Crohn's Disease Proof-of-Concept

## Proof-of-Concept Trial Design

Open-Label Proof-of-Concept Clinical Trial of AVTX-002 in adults with moderate to severe, active Crohn's disease who have previously failed anti-tumor necrosis factor alpha (anti-TNF $\alpha$ ) treatment



- Moderate to severe disease
- Anti-TNF $\alpha$  failure
- Heavily pre-treated patients
- Dose escalation starting at 1mg/kg every 2 weeks
- Short duration (8 weeks)
- SES-CD score  $\geq 7$

CDAI, Crohn's Disease Activity Index; IBDQ, Inflammatory Bowel Disease Questionnaire; SES-CD, Simple Endoscopic Score for Crohn's disease.

# Efficacy Signal Observed in Crohn's Disease Phase 1b POC Trial

- Open-label uncontrolled study in patients with moderate - severe Crohn's disease who previously failed anti-TNF $\alpha$  mAb<sup>1</sup> and other biologics
- Rapid reduction in serum free LIGHT levels
- Well-tolerated: no drug-related serious adverse events observed
- Clinically meaningful mucosal healing signal observed in preliminary analysis
  - 3 out of 7 patients demonstrated evidence of mucosal healing as determined by colonoscopy and adjudicated by a central reader with one patient achieving remission
  - 4 out of 8 patients demonstrated evidence of mucosal healing by investigator assessment
- Randomized Phase 2 POC placebo-controlled trial in UC under evaluation

<sup>1</sup>TNF $\alpha$ , tumor necrosis factor alpha; mAb, monoclonal antibody; <sup>1</sup>SES-CD, Simple Endoscopic Score for Crohn's Disease

# **quisovalimab: Proposed UC POC Trial**

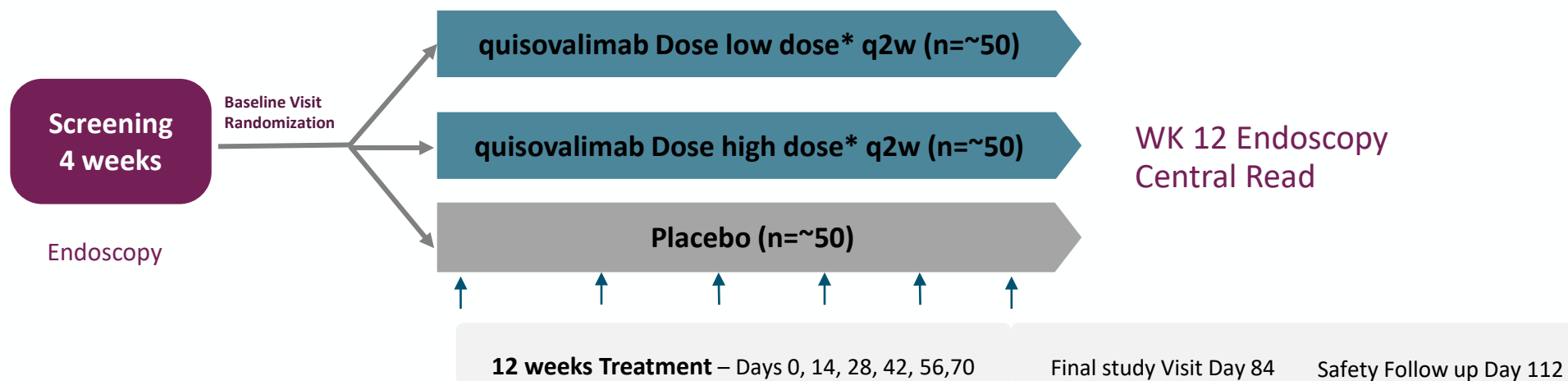


# quisovalimab in UC: Proposed POC Trial Design

Phase 2, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Parallel Group Trial of quisovalimab in patients with moderate to severe UC who have failed conventional or advanced therapy

## Key Inclusion Criteria

- Documented diagnosis of UC (endoscopy + histology) confirmed at Screening colonoscopy
- mMSC of 4 to 9, inclusive, with Modified Mayo endoscopic subscore  $\geq 2$  and rectal bleeding subscore  $\geq 1$ .
- Inadequate response or intolerant to 1 or more of ( IS,aTNF,Vedo, JAK,aIL12/23,S1PR,high dose CS) . Max 70% patients exposed to biologics.



## Primary Endpoint

### CLINICAL REMISSION:

- The proportion of subjects in the 3-component Modified Mayo Score clinical remission (as defined by endoscopic subscore of 0 or 1, rectal bleeding subscore of 0, and stool frequency subscore of 0 or 1 and not greater than Baseline) at Week 12.

\*1 subcutaneous injection every two weeks

## Key Secondary/Exploratory Endpoints

### Clinical Response:

The proportion of subjects in 3-component Modified Mayo Score clinical response at Week 12..

### Endoscopic improvement:

The proportion of subjects with endoscopic improvement, as defined by endoscopy subscore  $\leq 1$  with no friability) at Week 12.

### Histological Remission

The proportion of subjects with histologic remission (defined Geboes score  $\leq 3.1$ ) at Week 12.

### IBDQ response:

The proportion of subjects with IBDQ response, as defined by  $\geq 16$ -point increase from Baseline at Week 12.

### Safety & PK

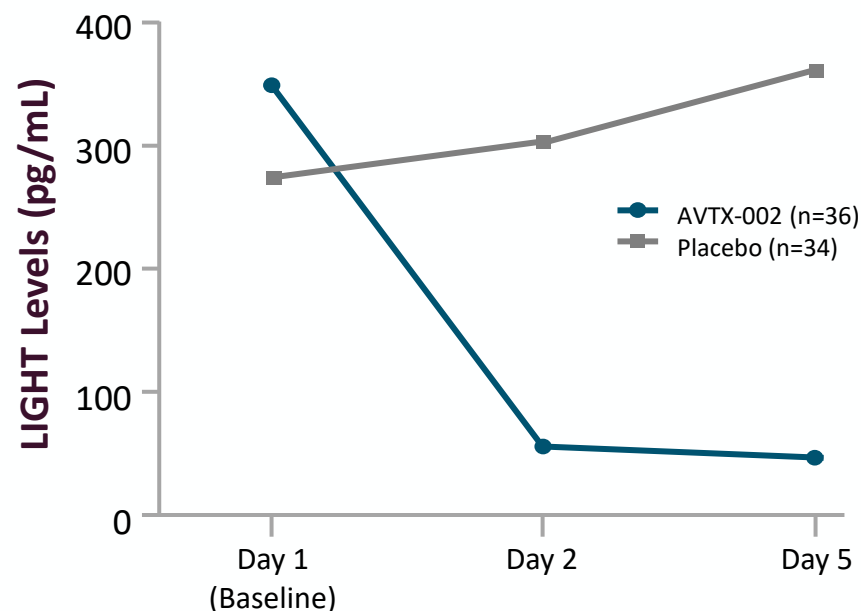
# quisovalimab

## Other Recent Clinical Trials

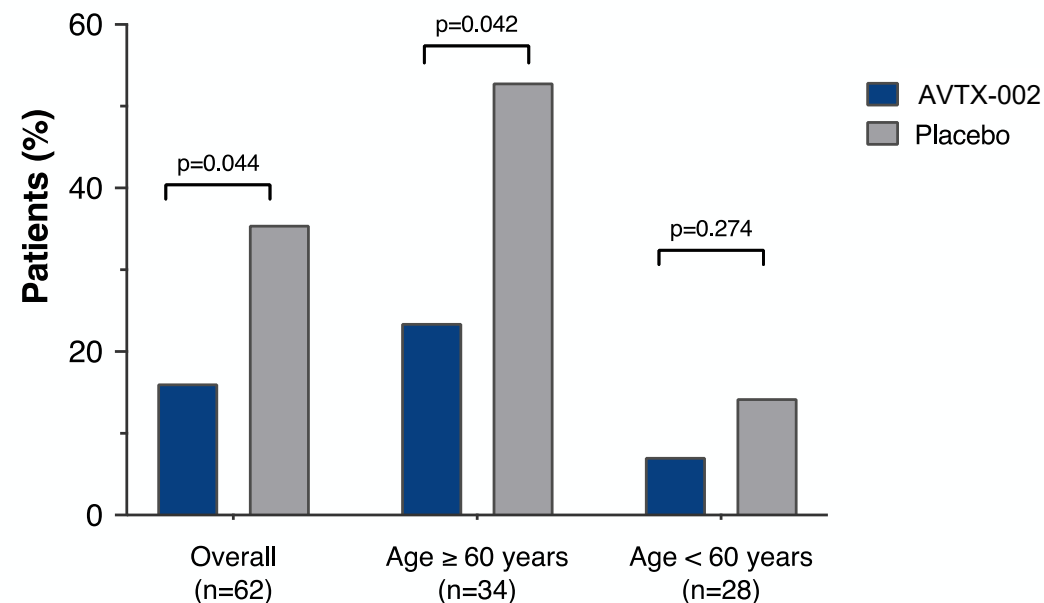


# Significant Reduction in COVID-19 Induced Respiratory Failure and Mortality

LIGHT Levels (pg/mL) Over Treatment Period



Percentage of Patients with Respiratory Failure and/or Death by Day 28



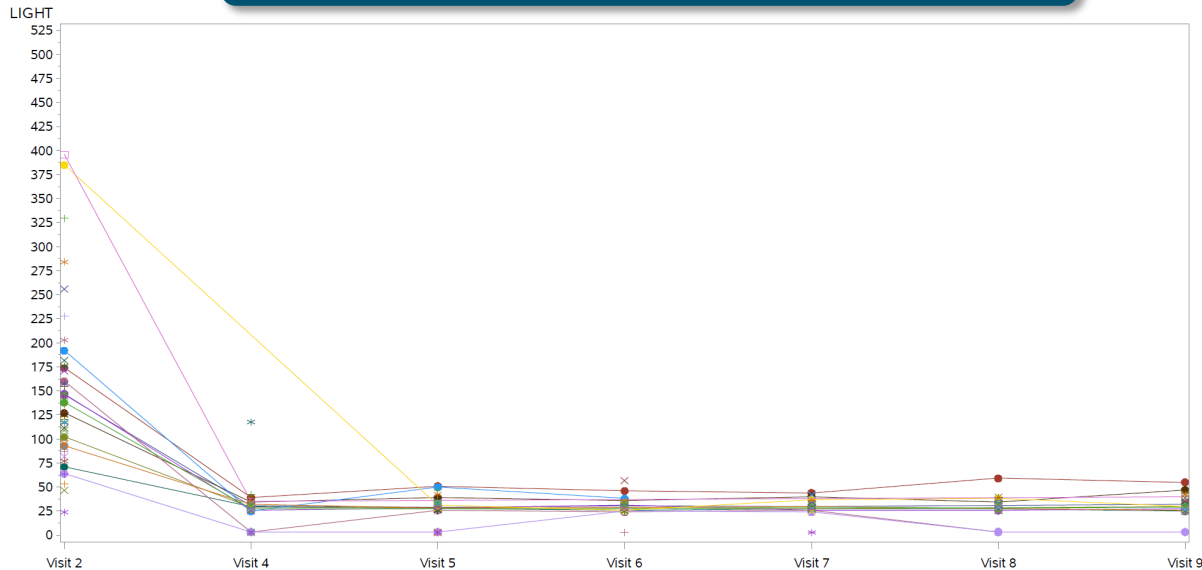
- Well-tolerated; no increase in serious adverse events vs. placebo
- Granted Fast Track Designation by FDA

Perlin, D. S. *et al.*, Randomized, double-blind, controlled trial of human anti-LIGHT monoclonal antibody in COVID-19 acute respiratory distress syndrome. *J Clin Invest.* 2022; 132(3):e153173

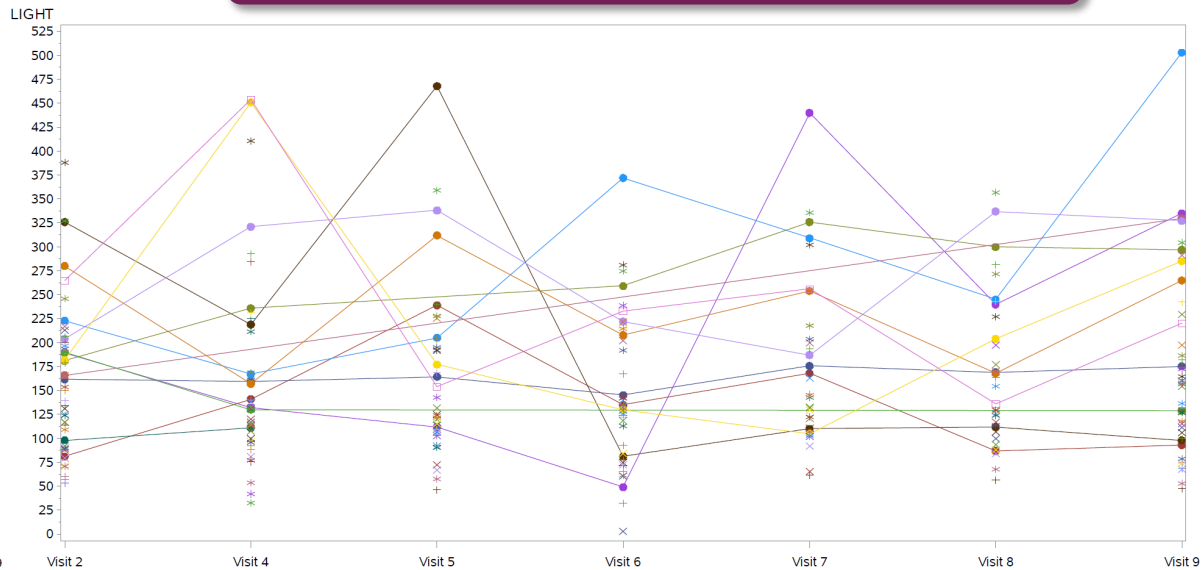
# NEA PEAK Trial: Significant and Sustained Reduction in LIGHT Levels in Patients Treated with quisovalimab

LIGHT Levels (pg/mL) Over Treatment Period

AVTX-002, quisovalimab



Placebo



Data on file





# NEA PEAK Trial Topline Data Executive Summary

*Phase 2, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Parallel Group Trial that Enrolled a Total of 91 Patients to Evaluate the Safety and Efficacy of AVTX-002 for the Treatment of Poorly Controlled NEA*

- The trial did not meet its primary endpoint, measured by the proportion of patients who experienced an asthma-related event (ARE), nor its secondary endpoints. However, the following positive observations were observed:
  - AVTX-002 demonstrated a significant and sustained reduction in LIGHT levels
  - AVTX-002 demonstrated a favorable safety and tolerability profile
  - Preliminary post-hoc analyses for sub-population of patients with baseline LIGHT levels > 125 pg/mL\*:
    - Sub-population represented over 50% of patients
    - Positive trend showed ~50% reduction in AREs for patients treated with AVTX-002 compared to placebo
    - Positive trends were not identified in the secondary endpoints
- Additional analyses and translational work under consideration to de-risk future studies

Data on file

*\*Post-hoc analyses are ongoing and therefore preliminary in nature.*

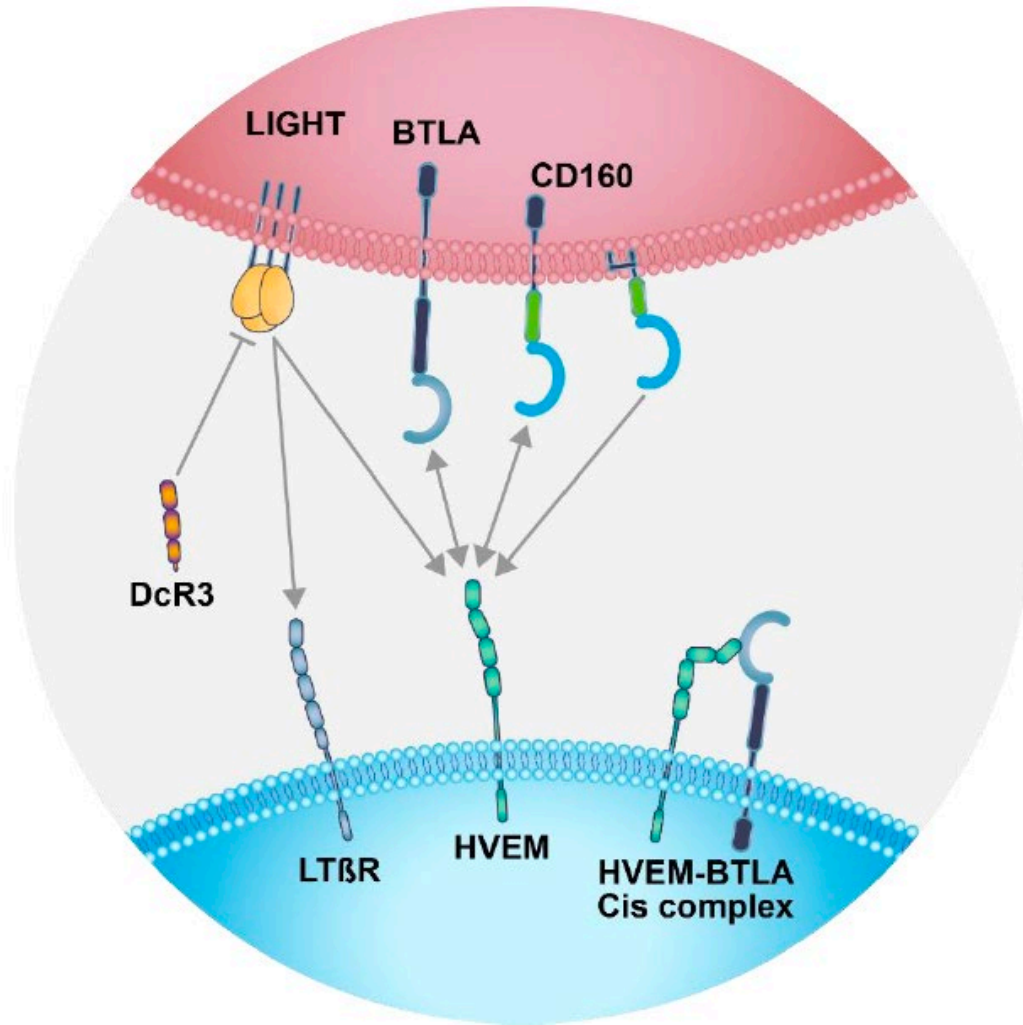
# LIGHT-Signaling Network & AVTX-008

BTLA agonist fusion protein



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# The LIGHT-Signaling Network: A Key Immunoregulatory System



Arrow heads refer to mono and bidirectional signaling

- BTLA - B and T lymphocyte attenuator (Ig superfamily checkpoint)
  - Co-expressed with HVEM in T and B cells
  - “Dampens” the immune response
- LIGHT activates HVEM
  - Inhibits BTLA signaling, allowing immune stimulation
- LIGHT activates LTβR
  - Activates dendritic cells, macrophages, stromal cells
  - Recruits lymphocytes
  - Stimulates antigen presentation & lymphoid organization
- DcR3 inhibits/regulates LIGHT
- CD160 competes with BTLA for HVEM
  - Stimulated immune activation by restricting inhibitory signaling in NK, CTL, Tfh
- BTLA and CD160 can activate HVEM (bidirectional signaling)

Ward-Kavanagh et al., Immunity 2016. Šedý et al., Cold Spring Harb Perspect Biol 2014; Mintz & Cyster Immunol Rev 2020; Ware, C., Croft, M., and Neil, G. J.Exp Med. 2022 Jul 4;219(7):e20220236. 10.1084.

DcR3, decoy receptor 3

# AVTX-008: BTLA Agonist Fusion Protein

Fully human, bioengineered HVEM, specific and high-affinity agonist for BTLA

## Executive Summary

### MOA

- Novel mechanism of action
- Inhibits lymphocyte activation and effector cells through BTLA

### Unmet Need

- Immunoregulatory disorders: potentially SLE, GVHD and non-responders to TNF inhibitors

### Stage

- IND enabling stage

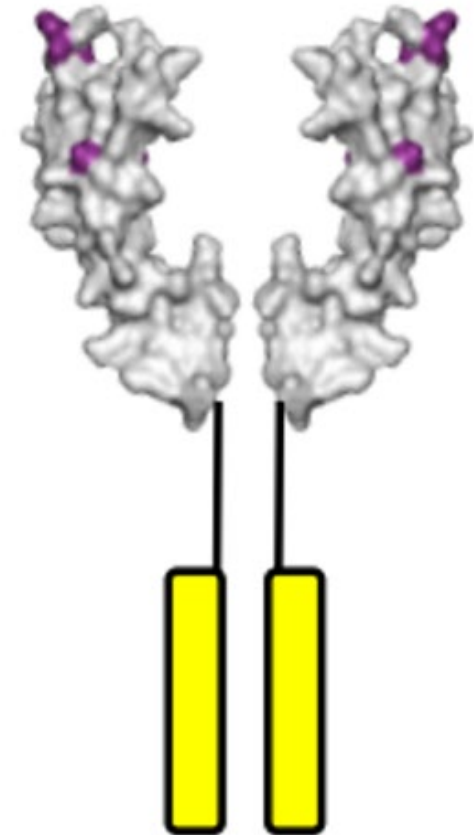
### Clinical Advantages

- Inhibition of inflammatory cytokine production predicts efficacy in patients not responsive to anti-TNF therapy
- Efficacy in murine lupus model excels compared to Abatacept
- Reduced risk of anti-drug response
- Proven modality of Fc fusion proteins: Orencia, Enbrel

### Business Advantages

- Unique BTLA agonist fusion protein
- Exclusive license to portfolio of issue patents and patent applications

SLE, Systemic lupus erythematosus; GVHD, graft-versus-host disease



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# Appendix



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# Financial & Investor Information

## NASDAQ: AVTX

**The following data is as of June 30, 2023**

- Cash and cash equivalents – \$6.3M<sup>1</sup>
- Outstanding common shares – 14M
- Fully diluted shares – 21.4M<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Reflects \$6M prepayment of principal on the Company's outstanding debt. As of June 30, 2023, the outstanding principal debt balance was \$15.2M, inclusive of the final payment fee.

<sup>2</sup> Based on shares of common stock outstanding and common stock underlying outstanding warrants and outstanding options, including approximately 1.3M pre-funded warrants.



# Experienced Management Team

Decades of successful leadership, product development, and commercialization in pharma and biotech



**Garry A. Neil, MD**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Chairman of the Board



**Chris Sullivan**  
Chief Financial Officer



**Lisa Hegg, PhD**  
SVP, Program Management,  
Corporate Infrastructure



**Colleen Matkowski**  
SVP, Global Regulatory Affairs,  
Quality Assurance



**Dino C. Miano, PhD**  
SVP, CMC,  
Technical Operations



# World Class Scientific Advisor

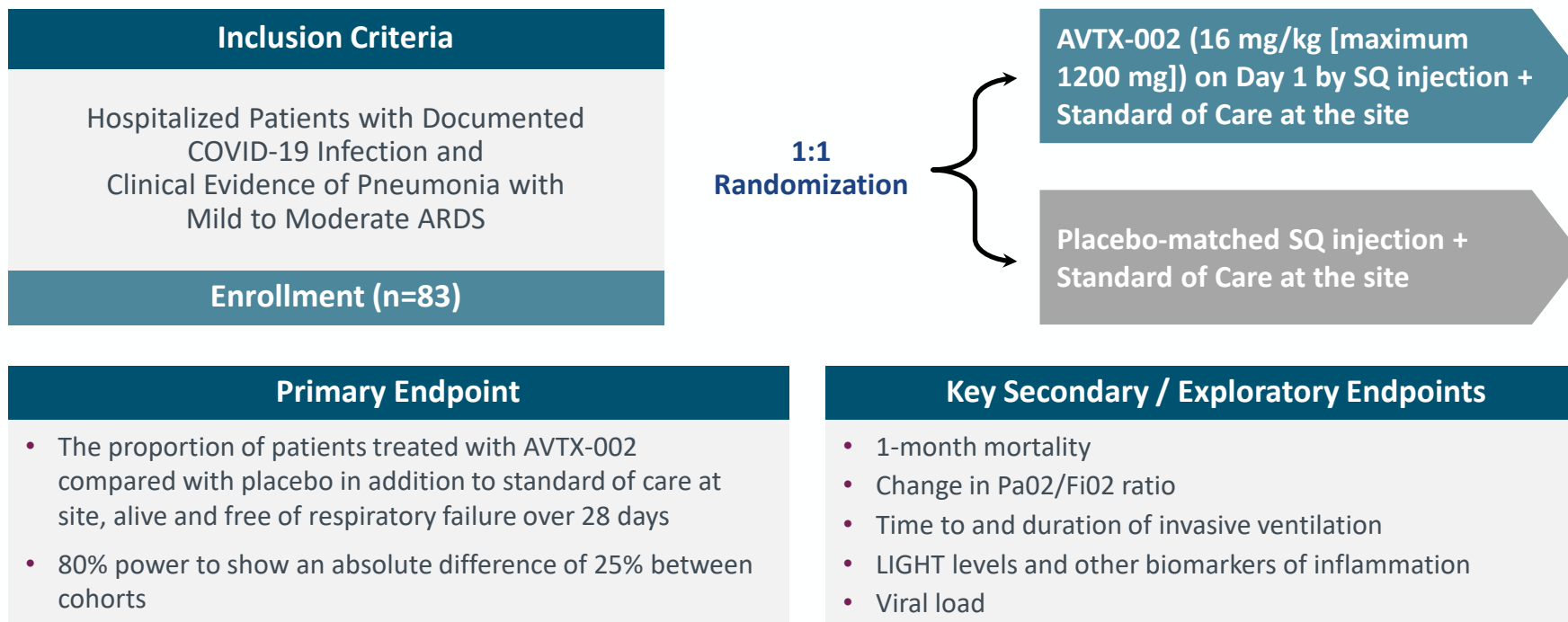
- Carl Ware, PhD, Head of Avalo Scientific Advisory Board
  - Director, Sanford Burnham Prebys (SBP) Infectious and Inflammatory Diseases Center
  - Professor, SBP Immunity and Pathogenesis Program
  - Director, SBP Laboratory of Molecular Immunology
- Discoverer of LIGHT-signaling network



# quisovalimab Treatment of COVID-19 ARDS: POC Trial Design

## Proof-of-Concept Trial Design

Randomized, Double-blind, Placebo-controlled, Multi-Center, Proof-of-Concept Clinical Trial of AVTX-002 in Adults with COVID-19 ARDS



PaO<sub>2</sub> - Partial Pressure of Oxygen, FiO<sub>2</sub> - Fraction of Inspired Oxygen

# quisovalimab for Treatment of NEA: Phase 2 Trial Design

## PEAK Trial

Phase 2, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Parallel Group Trial of AVTX-002 in patients with NEA

### Key Inclusion Criteria

- Poorly controlled asthma on LABA\* and ICS<sup>†</sup>
- Exacerbation in the last 24 months
- Blood eosinophil count <300 cells/ $\mu$ L

Final Enrollment  
(n=91)

### Screening

Baseline Visit  
Randomization

AVTX-002 600 mg SC (n=40)

Placebo (n=40)

Discontinue  
LABA\*  
(W2)

Reduce  
ICS<sup>†</sup> 50%  
(W4)

Discontinue  
ICS<sup>†</sup>  
(W6)

30 Day Run-In  
Salmeterol/Fluticasone

Treatment – Days 0, 28, 56

Final Visit

### Primary Endpoint

- Proportion of patients who experience an asthma related event defined as:
  - $\geq 6$  additional reliever puffs of SABA<sup>‡</sup> (compared to baseline) in a 24-hour period on 2 consecutive days, or
  - Increase in ICS<sup>†</sup> dose  $\geq 4$  times than the dose at baseline, or
  - A decrease in peak flow of 30% or more (compared to baseline) on 2 consecutive days of treatment, or
  - An asthma exacerbation requiring the use of systemic corticosteroids (tablets, suspension, or injection) for at least 3 days, or
  - A hospitalization or emergency room visit because of an asthma exacerbation.

### Key Secondary/Exploratory Endpoints

- Change in FEV<sub>1</sub><sup>‡</sup> from baseline
- Time to asthma related event
- Change in FeNO<sup>#</sup> from baseline
- Change in ACQ<sup>§</sup> from baseline

\*LABA, long-acting beta-agonist; <sup>†</sup>ICS, inhaled corticosteroid; <sup>‡</sup>SABA, short-acting beta agonist; <sup>‡</sup>FEV<sub>1</sub>, forced expiratory volume in 1 second; <sup>#</sup>FeNO, fractional exhaled nitric oxide; <sup>§</sup>ACQ, asthma control questionnaire.