

# **Custom Built Biology for Patients**

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# Pioneering DARPin® Solutions

We translate the unique properties of the **DARPin® drug class** into patient value

We build a **broad pipeline** of DARPin®
therapeutics to address
unmet medical need

We aim to transform the lives of people with serious diseases by delivering truly innovative solutions

our purpose

A global team united around a common purpose of making a positive impact in patients' lives



# Innate Advantages Combined With Proprietary Approaches

#### **Unique DARPin® Features**



#### **Ideal binding properties**

- Perfect fit
- High affinity
- Super specificity



#### **Turn-key multi-specifics**

- Small size
- Open combinatorial
- Uni-domain activity
- space
- Up to 7 binders

# 15 G/L

#### **Simple Manufacturing & Storage**

- High-yield microbial expression
- High stability

#### **DARPin® Benefit**



#### **Tailored Grip**

Match disease requirements



#### **Localized Activity**

Local and temporal control of activity



#### **Molecular Handcuff**

Full shut-down by conformational freeze

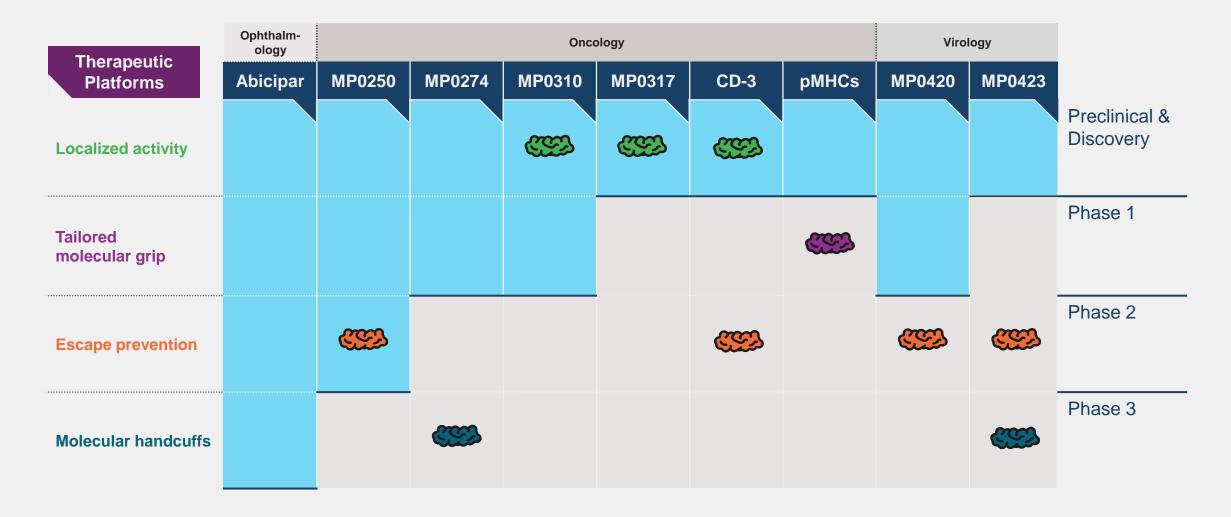


#### Multi-blocker to prevent escape

Overcome escape pathways oncology / ID



# A Portfolio Strategy Delivering Growth And Innovation





# Pipeline



CANDIDATE / FOCUS	RESEARCH	PRECLINICAL	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	RIGHTS
Ensovibep (MP0420) / COVID-19						U NOVARTIS
MP0423 / COVID-19						U NOVARTIS
MP0310 / FAP x 4-1BB						AMGEN
MP0317 / FAP x CD-40						
CD3 / T-Cell targeting DA	RPins					MOLECULAR partners
Peptide-MHC targeting D	ARPins					
MP0250 / Multiple myelor	ma / PI combo					MOLECULAR partners
MP0274 / HER2+ tumors						MOLECULAR partners
Abicipar / Neovascular AMD						
Abicipar / DME						abbyle



# Synergistic Partnerships Built on a Versatile Drug Class

## **Ophthalmology**

#### **Therapeutic Area Deal**

- Partnership for abicipar, two positive Phase 3 studies.
- Received \$150m to date;
   \$360m in potential milestones and teens royalty still possible
- CRL (June 2020): AbbVie evaluating next steps with agency



## **Oncology**

#### **Product Combination Deal**

- Partnership with Amgen to combine AMG 506 / MP0310 with BiTE® molecules
- Phase 1 conducted by MP and Amgen to develop for combination studies
- ~\$500m in milestones and mid teen royalties



## Virology

#### **Capability Deal**

- Leverage production, global development and distribution of Sandoz Novartis for MP0420
- ~\$165m milestone payment upon commercialization licensure
- 22% royalty on sales



Over ~\$1B in potential milestone across multiple programs

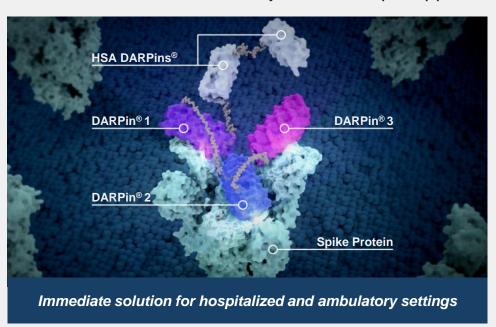




# Our COVID-19 Program: Two Outstanding Candidates

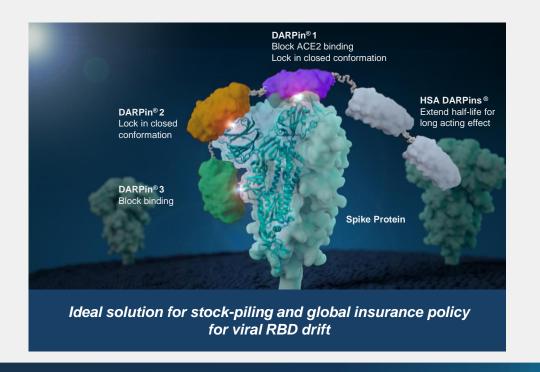
#### MP0420 (ensovibep)– best-in-class

- Tri-specific DARPin<sup>®</sup> antiviral targeting the RBD for highest potency & to prevent viral escape
- Long half-life (HSA DARPins) single injection
- Low costs and high numbers of doses available
- Potential for bolus / s.c. injection simple application



#### MP0423 - first-in-class

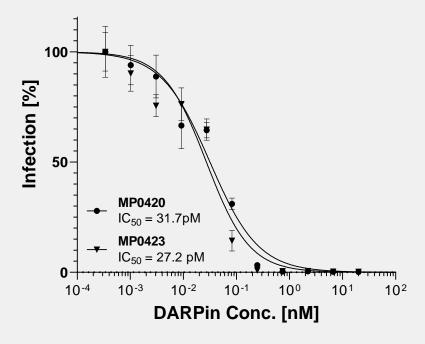
- 3 DARPins blocking different domains of the viral spike
- High activity even if RBD mutates heavily and escapes all vaccines and therapeutic antibodies
- All other benefits of MP0420





# High Potency Inhibition Translates To *In Vivo* Prophylactic And Therapeutic Properties

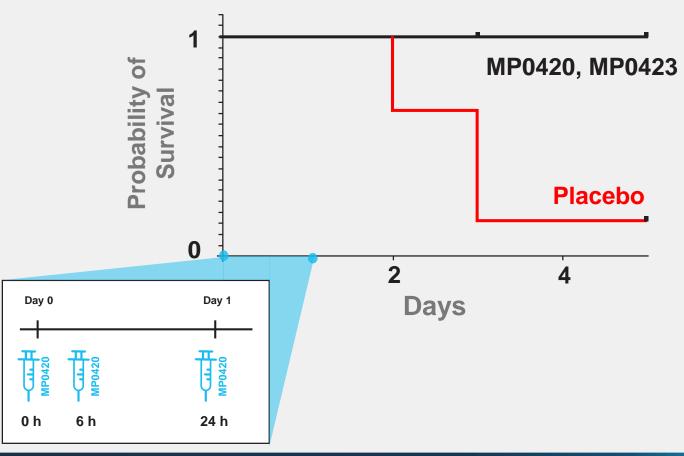
In vitro activity: Pseudotype Neutralization Assay



#### **Highest potency**

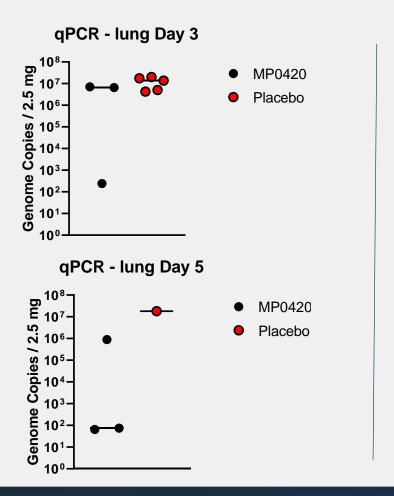
Tri-binding leads to highest affinity and potency in the low pM range; likely at the assay limit



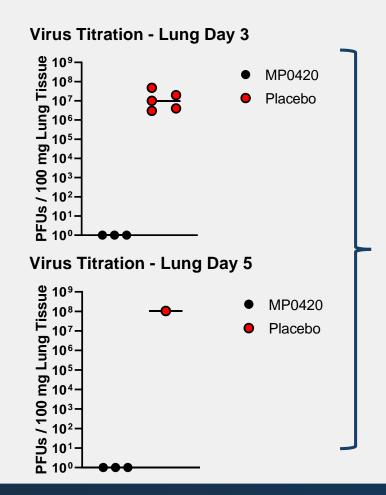


# Ensovibep Blocks the Virus and Prevents Infection in the Lung

#### Viral titer in the lung



#### Viral infectivity in the lung



Ensovibep blocks viral infectivity completely

# MP0420 (ensovibep) Phase 1 Ongoing

- Study initiated November 2020
- Double-blind, placebo controlled trial exploring safety and PK
  - IV administration
  - Up to 24 subjects total, stratified 3:1 (active: placebo)
  - Ages 18-65
- Dose range include 3 mg/kg (225 mg\*), 9 mg/kg (675 mg) and 20 mg/kg (1.5 g)
  - MP0420 is ¼ the molecular weight of an mAb mixture, corresponding to ~ 900 mg, 2.7 g, 6g
- Endpoints: Safety, tolerability and pharmacokinetics (SAD)
- Status: First 2 cohorts fully enrolled, third cohort ongoing

#### Full data expected by Q1 2021

\* Total amount in a person with 75 kg body weight



# Novartis: Draft Development plan for MP0420

ALL DATES PRELIMINARY, SUBJECT TO HEALTH AUTHORITY INPUT

2020 2021 2022 Possible EUA\* BLA Phase 2/3 part A (N 400-700) Phase 2/3 Part B (N >2000) **Submission** Ph.1 studies (healthy Clinical volunteers, Covid Development positive patients) Additional supporting studies for BLA submission\*\* Explore Platform studies (e.g., ACTIV), other consortia approaches

Technical Development

Progressive scale up from 100 L batch to higher volume production based on clinical trial and market demand. Plans to utilize large capacity in fermentation and filling with Novartis/Sandoz.





<sup>\*</sup> Emergency Use Authorization submission, pending interim analysis of data is supportive of EUA

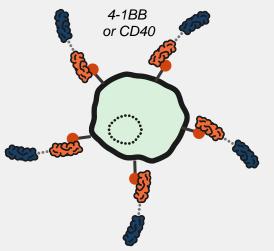
<sup>\*\*</sup> Could involve additional dosing/ administration or treatment subtypes/ settings



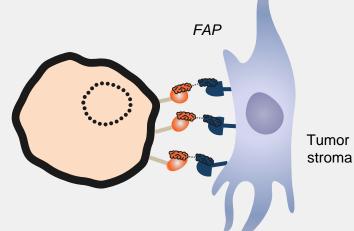
# Local Activation of Immune cells: Fibroblast Activation Protein (FAP) as a General Switch

#### **BODY**

- In normal tissues, receptor is broadly distributed
- Immune cell remains inactive



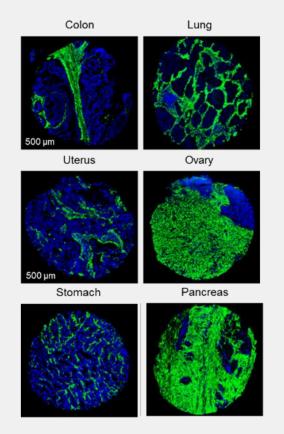




- No activation by mono-binding of FAP or CD40/4-1BB
- Simultaneous binding leads to tumor-local immune activation

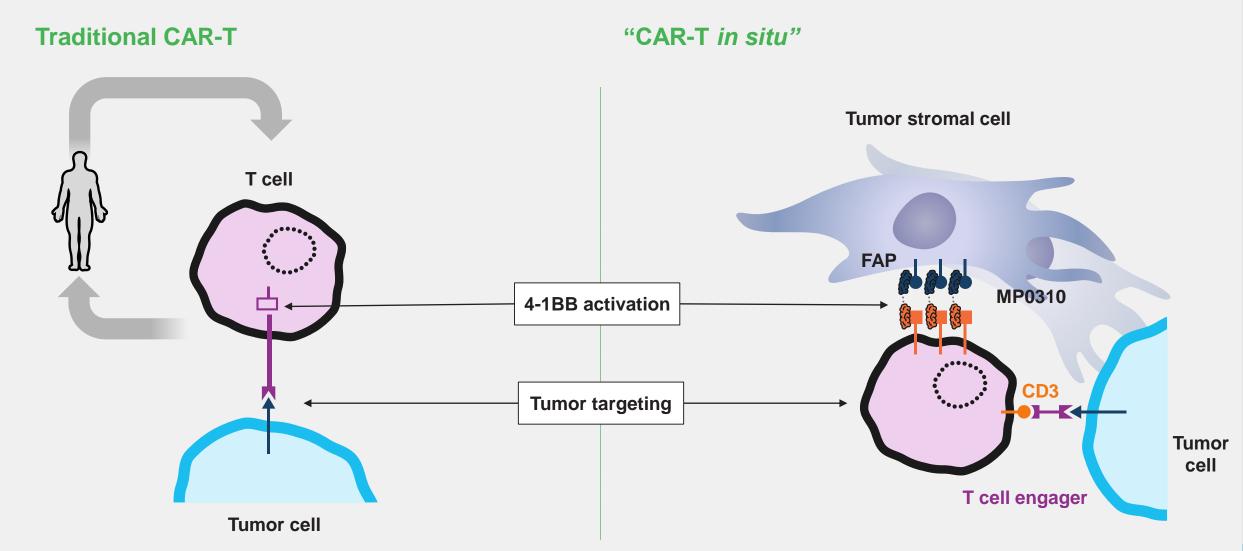
#### **TUMOR**

- High FAP concentration near tumor clusters receptors
- Immune cell is activated



Human FAP, DAPI

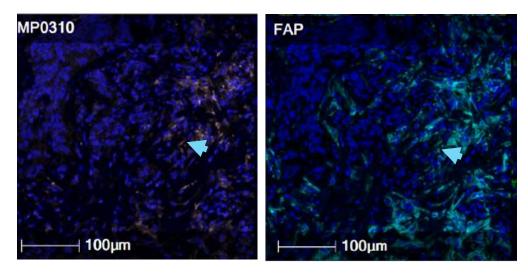
# Application: Local T Cell Targeted Activation



# AMG 506 / MP0310 Accumulates in Tumor Tissue in Dose Dependent Manner

#### MP0310 (0.5mg/kg) colocalizes with FAP

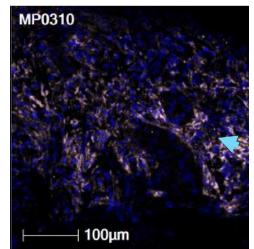
MP0310 < FAP

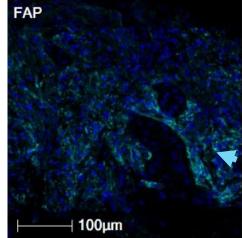


Endometrial carcinoma (Liver metastasis), C1D15

#### MP0310 (5mg/kg) saturates FAP

MP0310 > FAP





NSCLC (lung), C1D15

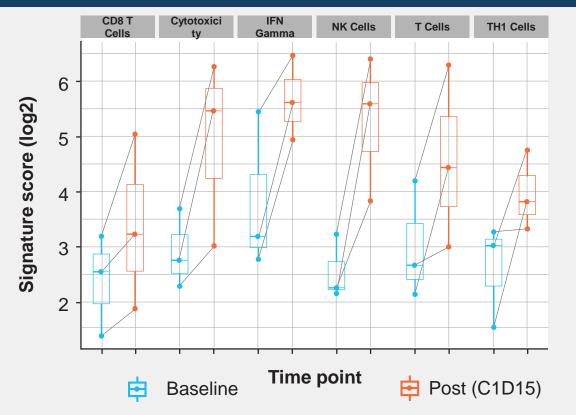
# PD Activity in Paired Biopsies Supports AMG 506 / MP0310 MoA on 4-1BB Activation

#### **BLOOD**

# CD8<sup>+</sup> T-cells: CD25<sup>+</sup> 100 80 60 40 C1D1 C1D8 C2D1 C2D8 Treatment on C1D1 & C2D1 Note: C1D1 & C2D1 predose sample

 In the blood, immune cells remain inactive (CD8+ & CD4+ T-cells, Treg, NKT, B-cells, NK)

#### **TUMOR**



In the tumor, T-cells and NK cells are activated



# AMG 506 / MP0310 Dose Escalation Completed

#### Current status

- Executed on schedule through 2020
- 22 patients enrolled, 19 presently evaluable
- 7 dosing cohorts, 8 patients with ≥4 cycles
- 12 patients exhibited infusion related reactions (IRR) G2-3, (22 enrolled)
- No other AEs of special interest
- No Dose limiting toxicities (DLTs)

#### Outlook

- Test weekly dosing
- Show sustained activity after week 4
- Reach evaluation by Amgen



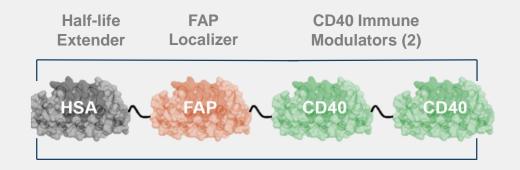
## MP0317: Localized Activation of CD40

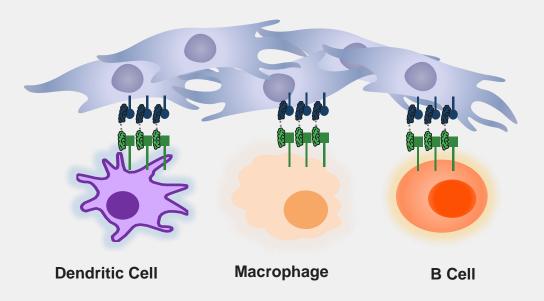
#### Current limitations and opportunity

- Rather low MTDs for systemic antibody agonists (< 1mg/kg)</li>
- Likely need for combination therapy leading to additional risks for toxicity

#### Opportunity

- Localized activation approach to limit systemic side effects and open a therapeutic window for combinations
- FIH H2 2021

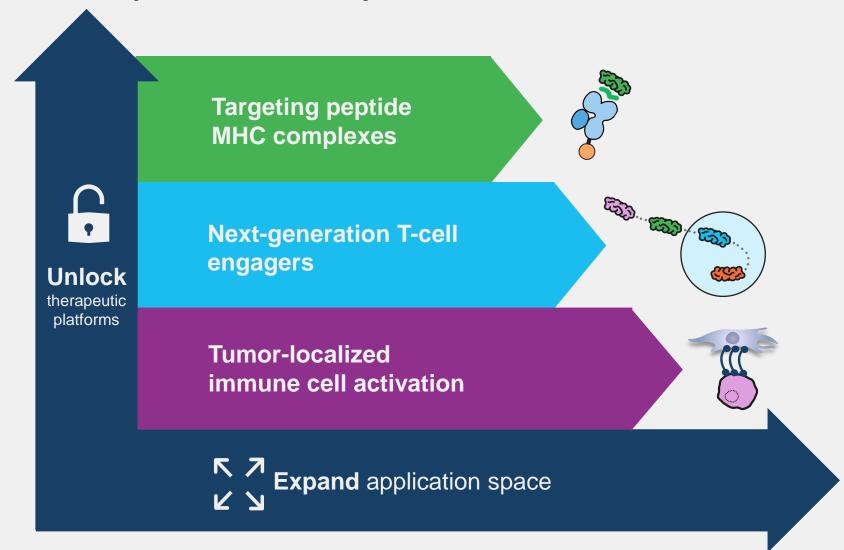








# Unlock and Expand: Therapeutic Platforms





# Challenges of T-cell Engagers in the Clinic

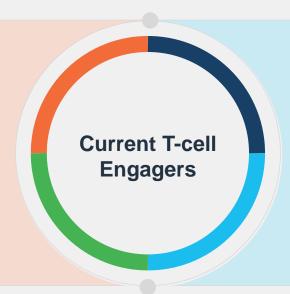
## Safety

TOXICITY PROFILE LIMITS OPTIMAL DOSING

#### **Attack on healthy tissues**

(on-target off-tumor binding)

Hyper-immune stimulation: CRS and neurotoxicity



## **Efficacy**

LACKING LONG-LASTING AND DEEP RESPONSES

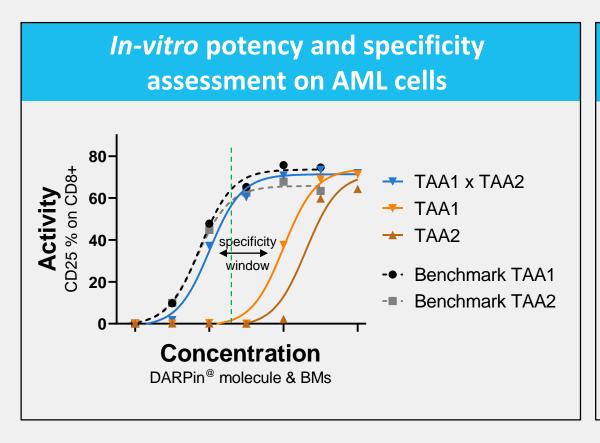
#### **Tumor escape & relapse**

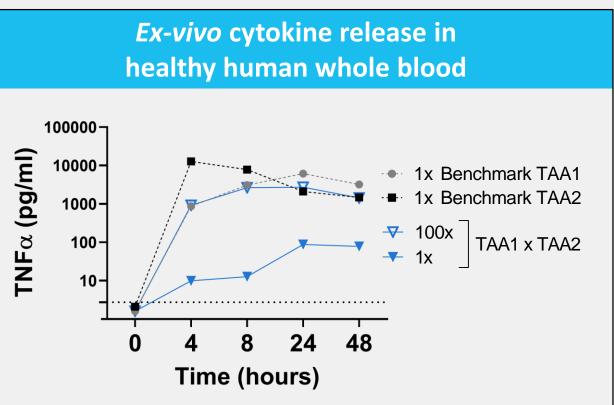
(heterogeneity, target loss, mutation or downregulation)

#### Lack of efficacy in solid tumors

(tissue penetration, suppressive microenvironment, T-cell exhaustion...)

# Multi-DARPins® for AML Show High Potency, Improved Selectivity and Potential for Reduced CRS



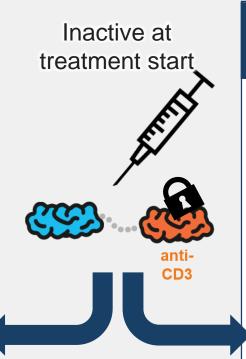


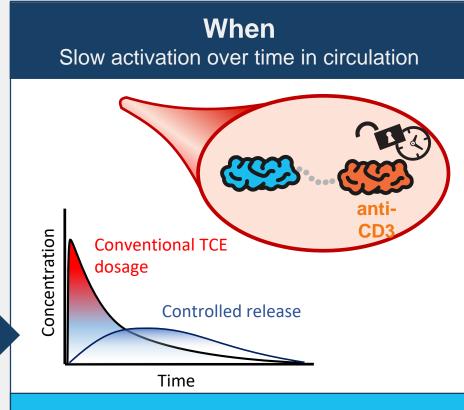


## Expand with Platform for Controlled Activation of CD3 Effector Function

# Where Conditional activation locally in the TME **Tumor** anti-CD3

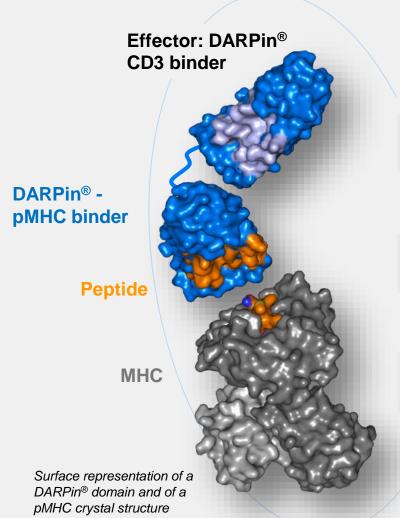
 Local activation for reduced on-target, offtumor activity





 Reduced C<sub>max</sub> at treatment start, increasing bioactivity over time

## DARPin® Platform Especially well Suited to Address pMHC Targets



Binders with high specificity and high potency	<b>V</b>
Rapid and reliable generation of pMHC binders	<b>V</b>
Systemic half-life extension with limited impact on potency	<b>/</b>
Good developability properties	<b>V</b>
Target identification and validation	0
Complex clinical development path	0





## Financial Overview & Milestones:

- Cash end November, 2020: ~\$200m, no debt
  - Expense guidance for FY2020: CHF 65-75m
  - Successful capital raise of CHF 80m, completed in early July 2020
- Additional funding from Novartis transaction (CHF 60m, received per end October 2020)
  - Funded into 2023, without consideration of future milestones
- ~\$1B in potential milestones from R&D partners yet to be realized
  - \$165m milestone from Novartis upon commercial licensure of COVID-DARPins
  - ~\$500m in milestones from Amgen for AMG 506 / MP0310
  - >\$360M in approval and commercial milestones associated with Abicipar
- Up to double-digit royalties outstanding with current R&D partners

# Upcoming Catalysts Across The Portfolio in 2021

	Antiviral portfolio
MP0420 (ensovibep) MP0423	<ul> <li>POC with EUA/BLA and approval in 2021</li> <li>Emergency Use Authorization and/or BLA submission possible in 2021</li> <li>MP0423 FIH</li> </ul>
Novel antivirals	<ul> <li>Develop novel DARPins for viral targets with first new target announced 2021</li> </ul>
	Immuno-oncology portfolio
AMG 506 (MP0310)	<ul> <li>Identify ideal dosing regimen in ongoing Phase 1 (H1/2021)</li> <li>Amgen potential combination trials (H2/2021)</li> </ul>
MP0317	■ MP0317 FIH in H2 2021
T cell engagers	<ul> <li>1st Candidate selected for development</li> <li>Follow-up pipeline established</li> </ul>
рМНС	<ul> <li>Select Peptides for Candidate Selection – possibly with a partner</li> </ul>

Funded into 2023

(Not incl. any future proceeds related to partnerships)



