

# **Targeted Immunology CD40/CD40L Therapeutics**

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## Single Focus: Developing Best-in-Class Immune-Modulating Therapeutics with Validated Biology



### Optimized & Differentiated Lead Asset: AT-1501

- Targeting CD40/CD40L pathway validated by extensive historical proof-of-concept data
- Engineered to increase potency, half-life and manufacturability vs. other anti-CD40 approaches
- Targeting both potential first-in-class and potential best-in-class indications



### 4 Shots on Goal in Conditions with Few or No Approved Medicines and High Morbidity

- Financed to support up to four clinical trials in: Solid Organ Transplantation (Kidney), Islet Cell Transplantation for Type 1 Diabetes, IgA Nephropathy, and Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)
- Next generation antibody in pre-clinical development and future combination therapies possible



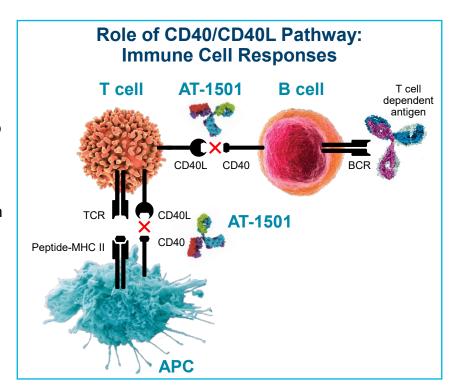
### **Near-Term Milestones and Strong Financial Profile**

- Multiple interim and top-line data readouts expected beginning in 1H 2022
- \$101M in cash and cash equivalents (as of June 30, 2021) expected sufficient to fund operations well into 2023



### Mechanism Overview of CD40L Inflammatory Signaling

- Interaction of CD40 with CD40L on immune cells mediates activation of the co-stimulatory immune pathway, controlling "cross talk" between the adaptive and innate immune systems
- Maximal activation of inflammatory system is a 3-step process requiring co-stimulatory signaling
  - Step 1: Major histocompatibility complexes (MHC) and CD3/TCR engagement
  - Step 2: CD40 and CD40L binding resulting in cell division and clonal expansion
  - Step 3: Pro-inflammatory response by polarized T cells expressing inflammatory chemokines and cytokines
- Blocking CD40L shifts polarization from proinflammatory signaling to T cell anergy, apoptosis, and polarization to a Treg environment
  - Blocking CD40L thus does not generally result in lymphopenia often seen with immunosuppressive agents



## AT-1501: Potential Best-in-Class Anti-CD40/CD40L Antibody

Targetir	ng CD40 Ligand vs. CD40 Receptor	lgG1 vs. fusion protein, pegylated			
CD40L and CD40	CD40L only	FAB or IgG4			
Targeting both anti- CD40L and anti- CD40 inhibits B cell polarization and class switching, as well as inhibits the pro- inflammatory polarization of CD4+ Helper T cells	✓ Blocking anti-CD40L also inhibits CD11 costimulatory receptors on antigen presenting cells, thus blocking the pro-inflammatory polarization of CD8⁺ Cytotoxic T cells	✓ Up to over 2x times longer half-life			
	✓ Blocking CD40L also polarizes CD4 <sup>+</sup> lymphocytes to FoxP3 <sup>+</sup> Regulatory T cells (Tregs), thus creating a potentially more tolerogenic environment	✓ Manufacturing advantages			
	✓ CD40L is more selectively expressed, providing the potential for additional safety and PK/PD/dosing advantages	✓ Less anti-drug antibodies			

## AT-1501: Pipeline in a Product Opportunity

Product	Indication	Development Stage				Anticipated Milestones	
Candidate	mulcation	Pre-clinical	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Anticipated willestones	
AT-1501	Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)					Complete enrollment Phase 2 results expected in 1H 2022	
	Kidney Transplantation					Initiate ex-US Clinical study 4Q 2021 NHP study readout expected mid 2022	
	Islet Cell Transplantation for Type 1 Diabetes					Enroll first Phase 2 patient in Canada Interim data readout expected in 1H 2022	
	IgA Nephropathy					Initiate Phase 2 trial in late 2021	
AT-2001	Autoimmune Indications					Lead optimization	

## AT-1501 Phase 1a/1b Single Ascending Dose Trial Completed in Healthy Subjects and ALS Patients

### Healthy Volunteers or ALS Patients Receiving Either AT-1501 (mg/kg, IV) or Placebo

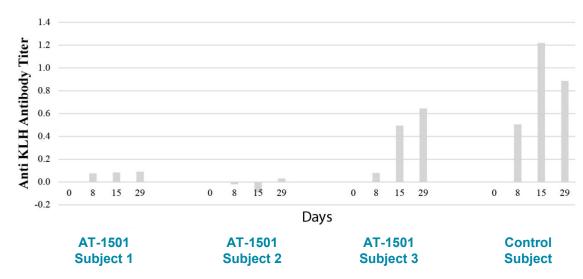
Subjects	Healthy	Healthy	ALS	Healthy	Healthy	Healthy	1501	Placebo
Dose (mg/kg)	0.5	1	1	2	4	8	NA	NA
n=	6	3	3	3	3	6	24	8

Number of Subjects (%) Experiencing TEAEs by Maximum Toxicity Grade								
Grade 1 (% Subjects Experiencing Events)	3 (50.0%)	2 (66.7%)	2 (66.7%)	2 (66.7%)	1 (33.3%)	1 (16.7%)	11 (45.8%)	5 (62.5%)
Grade 2 (% Subjects Experiencing Events)	-	_	1 (33.3%)	_	_	1 (16.7%)	2 (8.3%)	_
Grade 3	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Grade 4	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Grade 5	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

## Phase 1 KLH Challenge Demonstrates Functional Activity

- 4 healthy volunteers received keyhole limpet hemocyanin (KLH), a potent immune challenge, via subcutaneous injection
- Subjects 1-3 also received simultaneous 8 mg/kg IV AT-1501
- More closely resembling potential clinical use, AT-1501 subjects were not pre-treated with the study drug in the days to weeks prior to receiving KLH

## AT-1501 fully inhibited immune response to KLH in two subjects (subjects 1 and 2) and partially inhibited immune response to KLH in the third subject (subject 3)



## Autoimmune Pathogenesis of ALS is Increasingly Recognized



## **ALS Overview & Market Opportunity**

Characterized by gradual, progressive muscle weakness

Affects ~30,000
Americans

~5,000
new cases
diagnosed
annually in the
US and
~600,000 cases
globally

Average age of **55** at time of diagnosis

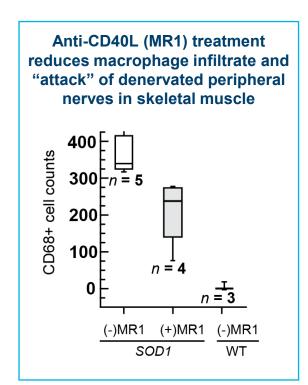
Only 10% of ALS cases are hereditary

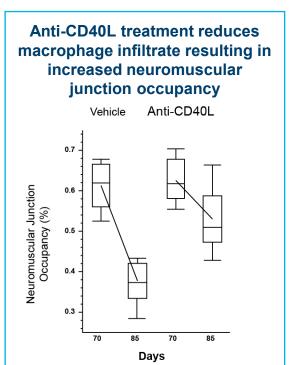
People with ALS ultimately **lose the ability to ambulate**, lose the ability to swallow, and when breathing muscles become affected, need permanent ventilatory support to assist with breathing

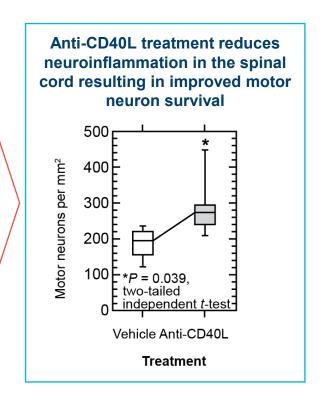
**50% and 80%** of ALS patients die within **3 and 5 years** from diagnosis, respectively. Most people die from respiratory failure or cachexia

Very high 5-year ALS morbidity and mortality despite two FDA approved treatments

## Anti-CD40L Historical Antibody Improves Motor Neuron Survival & Decreases Inflammation in Peripheral Nerves of ALS Mice







Eledon Pharmaceuticals

Source: Lincecum, 2010.

## Phase 2 ALS Study Design

#### **DESIGN**

- 12-week, open label, multiple ascending dose level study
- Four dose cohorts of up to ~18 patients each
- Each subject serves as own control by comparing changes from baseline

#### PLANNED DATA GENERATION

- Safety & tolerability
- Biomarkers of CD40L target engagement
  - e.g., CXCL13
- Pro-inflammatory chemokines and cytokines upregulated in ALS
  - e.g., TNF-α, MCP1, IL-6, Enraged
- Exploratory endpoints
  - e.g., ALS Functional Rating Scale, respiratory function, Neurofilament Light Chain



## Kidney Transplant Market Opportunity



 Over 23,000 U.S. kidney transplants per year and ~193,000 Americans have a functioning kidney transplant



- Over 20% incidence of new onset diabetes in first 6 months post-transplant in CNI treated patients
- CNIs are also associated with kidney- and neuro-toxicity
- Fewer than 50% of transplanted kidneys from deceased donors function more than 10 years



~90,000 Americans face a 3-5 year wait for a kidney



 Up to 15% of transplants per year are re-transplants further limiting organ availability for new patients

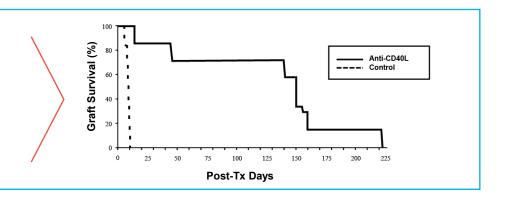


 ~450% increase in annual medical cost to treat transplant patients who experience renal graft failure AT-1501 has
potential to reduce
drug-associated morbidity
and improve graft survival
associated with standard of
care regimens, such as
those including calcineurin
inhibitors (CNIs)

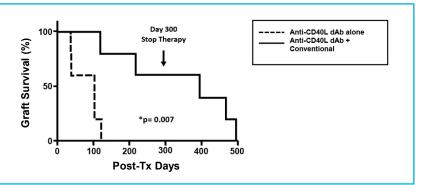


## Anti-CD40L Antibodies Prevent Renal Allograft Transplant Rejection in Nonhuman Primate Models

Short term exposure to anti-CD40L antibody inhibits acute renal allograft transplant rejection in nonhuman primates



Inhibition of renal allograft transplant rejection in nonhuman primates after short term anti-CD40L antibody exposure in conjunction with induction immunotherapy, steroids, and mycophenolate mofetil, showed persistent effect even after therapy was discontinued



Source: Kim, 2017; Kanmaz, 2004.

## Phase 1b Kidney Transplantation Study Design

#### **DESIGN**

- 52-week, open label, single dose level study
- 6 12 subjects undergoing kidney transplantation at multiple sites in Canada, with potential for European expansion
- Kidney transplant using standard induction therapy plus maintenance therapy with AT-1501 as a replacement for tacrolimus

#### PLANNED DATA GENERATION

- Safety & tolerability
- PK/PD
- Graft survival & function
- Biopsy proven acute rejection
- Immune cell infiltrate of graft biopsy
- Biomarker measures of kidney injury and rejection risk

## Islet Cell Transplant Market Opportunity



~1.3M Americans live with Type 1 diabetes (T1D)



~70,000 (5%) estimated to have Brittle form of T1D



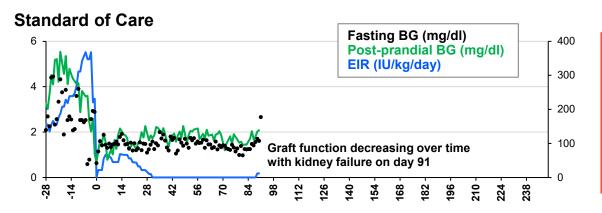
 BT1D patients have difficult-to-manage glucose levels with severe blood glucose fluctuations despite treatment and higher risk of diabetes related death



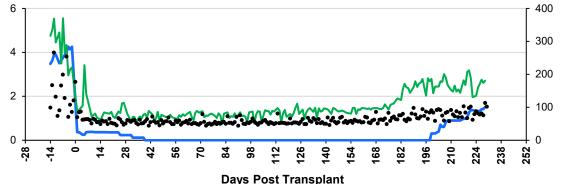
 Minimally invasive islet cell transplantation underutilized in part because of need for multiple transplant grafts (usually within 90 days) in part due to immunosuppressive regimens with CNIs, that may be toxic to transplanted insulin producing islet cells AT-1501 has
potential to unlock
islet cell transplant market
by improving islet cell
graft survival &
reducing side effects
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## Non-Human Primate Islet Cell Transplant Model: SOC Versus AT-1501 Blood Glucose Stabilization



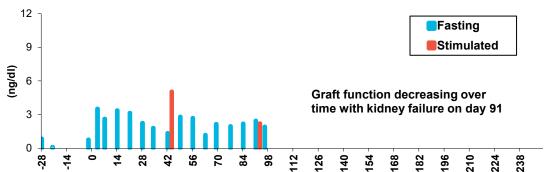




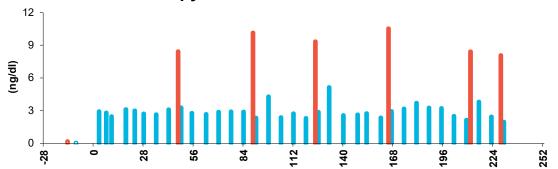
In animals whose islet cells were ablated to induce T1D and who then underwent islet cell transplantation, AT-1501 provided for better blood glucose level stabilization and less drug related animal morbidity and mortality than standard of care

## Non-Human Primate Islet Cell Transplant Model: SOC Versus AT-1501 C-peptide Levels

#### **Standard of Care**



#### AT-1501 Mono Therapy



- C-peptide levels are a surrogate biomarker of insulin production, islet cell viability and function
- In response to meal stimulation, functioning islets produce more insulin and thus C-peptide
- Animals receiving AT-1501 showed better islet cell function than those receiving standard of care

## Phase 2 Islet Cell Transplantation for T1D Study Design

#### **DESIGN**

- 52-week, open label, single dose level study
- Initial group of up to 6 subjects with Type 1 Diabetes (T1D) at a single Canadian site (up to 12 subjects overall)
- Islet cell transplant combined with induction therapy plus AT-1501 and mycophenolate mofetil every third week by IV infusion

#### PLANNED DATA GENERATION

- Safety & tolerability
- Graft function & insulin independence
  - e.g., C-peptide, HbA1C
- Number of hypoglycemic events
- Need for repeat islet cell transplant(s)

## IgA Nephropathy Overview & Market Opportunity

Characterized by gradual, progressive kidney function deterioration Most common primary glomerulo-nephritis effecting over ~100,000 Americans

Up to ~50% of patients
progress to End
Stage Kidney
Disease within
~10-20 years

Average age
at time
of diagnosis
between ~ 20 to
40 years old

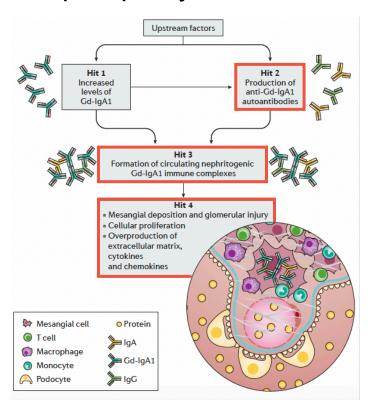
Clear regulatory path starting with proteinuria

~50-60% of patients require additional therapy to standard of care to control proteinuria and slow disease progression

No FDA approved treatments

Source: Glassrock, 2019; Schena, 2018

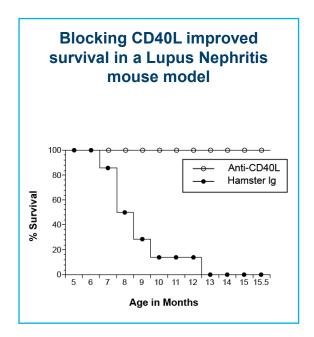
## IgA Nephropathy Overview & Market Opportunity

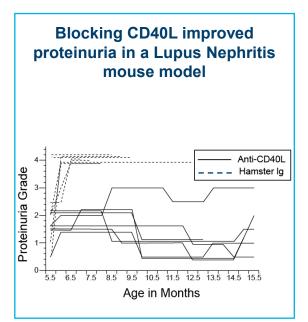


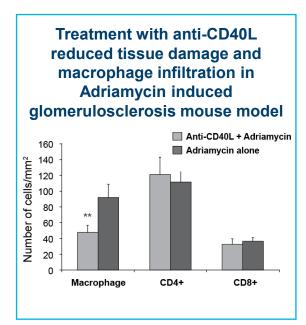
- Current Standard of Care and other drugs in development generally aim to either reduce production of antibodies or reduce the leakage of antibodies and subsequent tissue damage by decreasing local blood pressure (i.e., either Hits #2 or #4)
- AT-1501 has the potential to hit at the root of the pathophysiology by reducing production of IgA autoantibodies and thus the immune complex formation (i.e., Hits #2, #3 and #4)

Source: Lai, 2016 21 📲

## Blocking CD40L Ameliorates Glomerulosclerosis and Proteinuria in Historical Autoimmune Nephritis Rodent Models

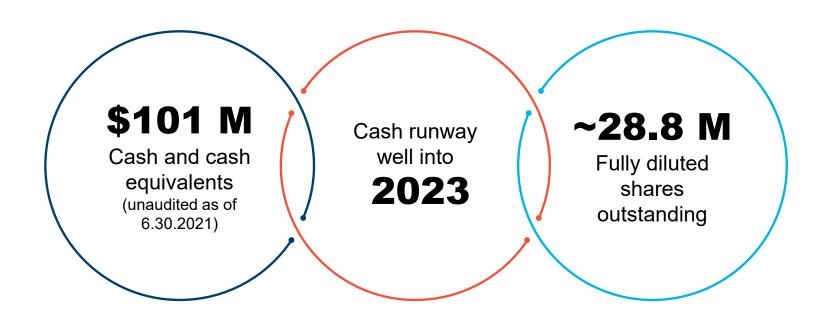






Source: Kalled, 1999.

## **Strong Financial Profile**



### 2021 Execution Priorities

- Complete ALS Phase 2 study enrollment
- Begin enrollment of Islet Cell Transplantation for Type 1 Diabetes trial
- Launching Kidney Transplantation clinical trial in Canada
- Initiate Kidney Transplantation non-human primate study
- Initiate IgA Nephropathy clinical trial
- Advance AT-1501 subcutaneous formulation



Targeting interim and top-line clinical data readouts in up to 4 indications in 2022, with the first data readouts expected beginning in 1H2022



