

### Development of the cereblon-binding molecular glue, SP-3164

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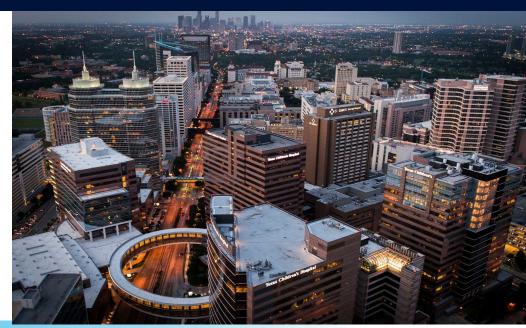
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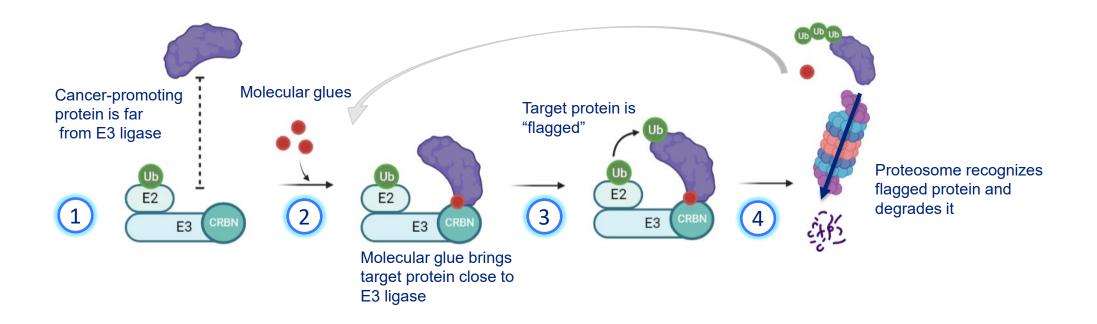
# **Pipeline Overview**

		Discovery	IND-Enabling	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
Inhibitors	<b>Ewing sarcoma</b> (Seclidemstat + TC <sup>1</sup> )					
	FET-rearranged sarcomas + Myxoid liposarcoma (Seclidemstat)					
	Hematologic cancers <sup>2</sup> (Seclidemstat + azacytidine)					
S	Select gynecologic cancers <sup>3</sup> (Seclidemstat + pembrolizumab)					
	Hematologic and solid tumors NCE second-generation LSD1					
rs	Hematologic and solid tumors (SP-3164; A/I molecular glue)					
Degraders	<b>Undisclosed target</b> (SP-3204/GSTP1 molecular glue)					
Deg	<b>Undisclosed target</b> (Molecular glue)					
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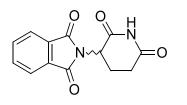
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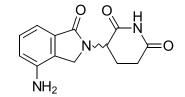
### **CRBN-Binding Molecular Glues Induce Proteasomal Degradation**



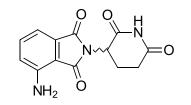
**IMiDs**<sup>®</sup> (Immunomodulatory Drugs) – Approved for hematological malignancies



Thalidomide

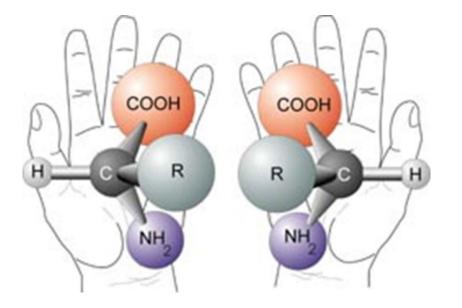


Lenalidomide



Pomalidomide

### **Chirality Occurs in Nature & Therapeutics** Left- or Right-Handedness Leads to Dramatic Differences



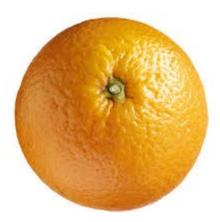
#### Hands & Chiral Compounds

non-superimposable mirror images (enantiomers)





**S**-Limonene Left-handed enantiomer

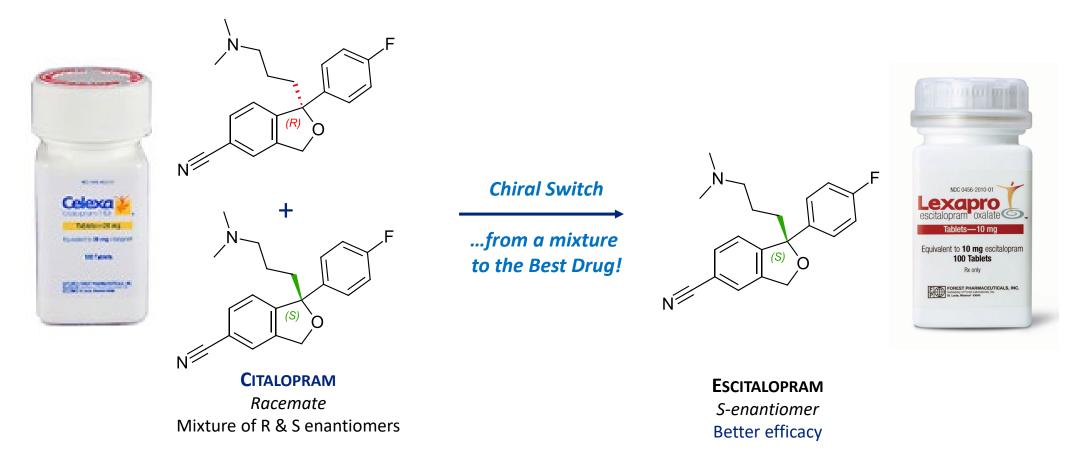


#### **Orange Peel Oil**

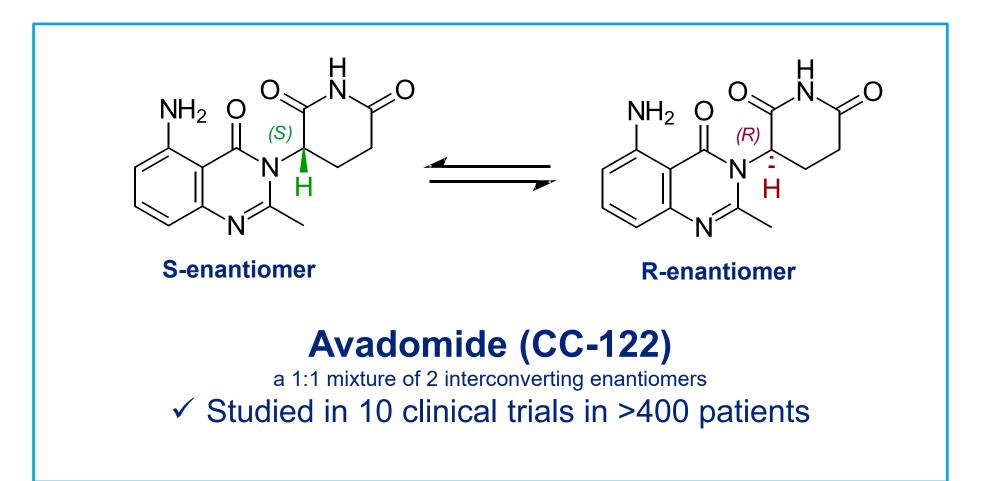
*R-Limonene Right-handed enantiomer* 

### Classic Chiral Switch Example: Celexa<sup>®</sup> ⇒ Lexapro<sup>®</sup> Improved Drug Profile with the Single, Preferred Enantiomer

Applied since the 1990s for racemic drugs with stable chiral centers



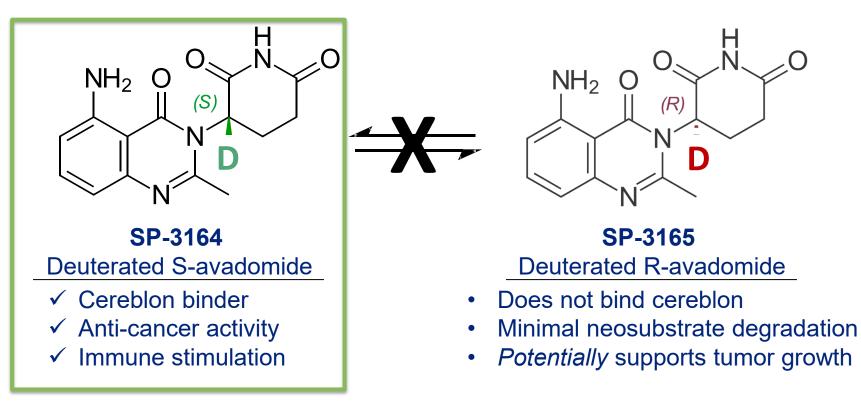
### **Avadomide, an Extensively Studied CELMoD®** *Exists as a Mixture of 2 Enantiomers*



CELMoD – Cereblon E3 Ligase Modulation Drugs, a registered trademark of Celgene / BMS

### Salarius Uses A Deuterium-enabled Chiral Switching Platform To Identify And Develop Novel Drugs

Stabilization of avadomide enantiomers with deuterium blocks interconversion



An <u>NCE</u> with its own, issued composition of matter patent Potential for improved efficacy and safety compared to avadomide

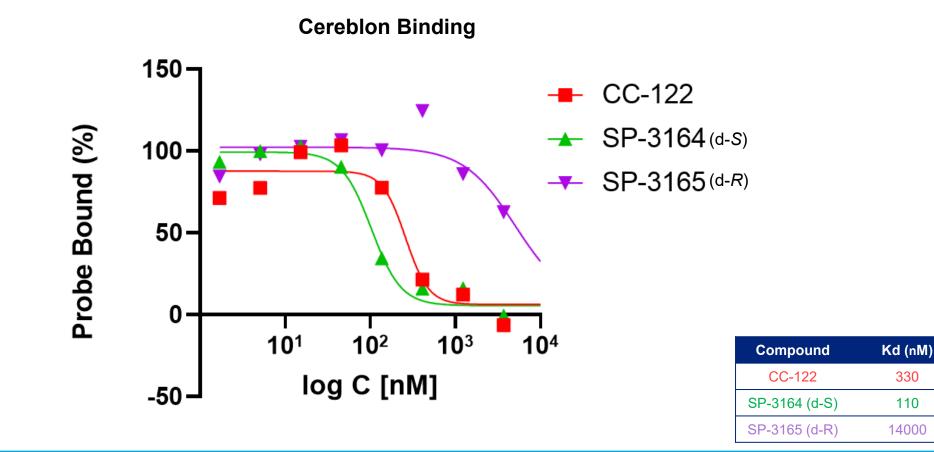
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NCE: new chemical entity

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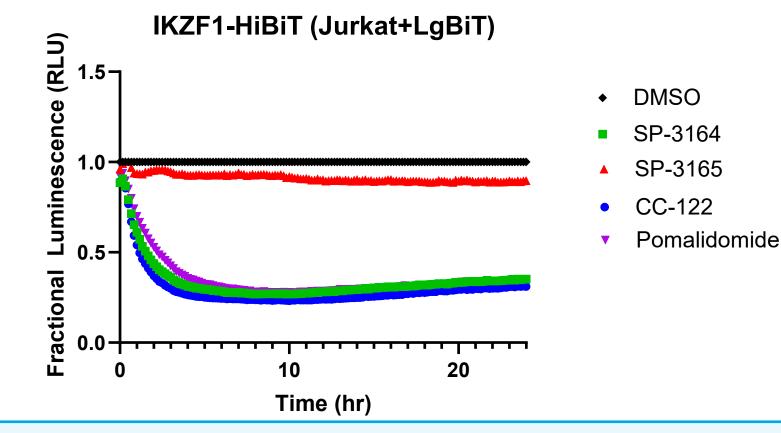
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### **SP-3164 Demonstrates Improved CRBN binding** *Characteristics Compared to Avadomide (CC-122)*



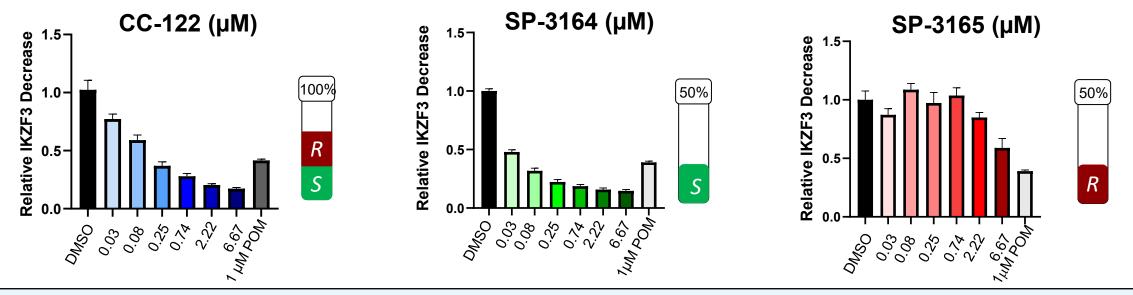
**SP-3164 binds more potently** to cereblon than the racemate (avadomide, CC-122) while SP-3165 (d-R-enantiomer) does not bind at meaningful concentrations.

### SP-3164 Rapidly Degrades IKZF1 (Ikaros)



- SP-3164 has a similar Dmax to CC-122 (1 uM)
- SP-3165 does not cause any protein degradation

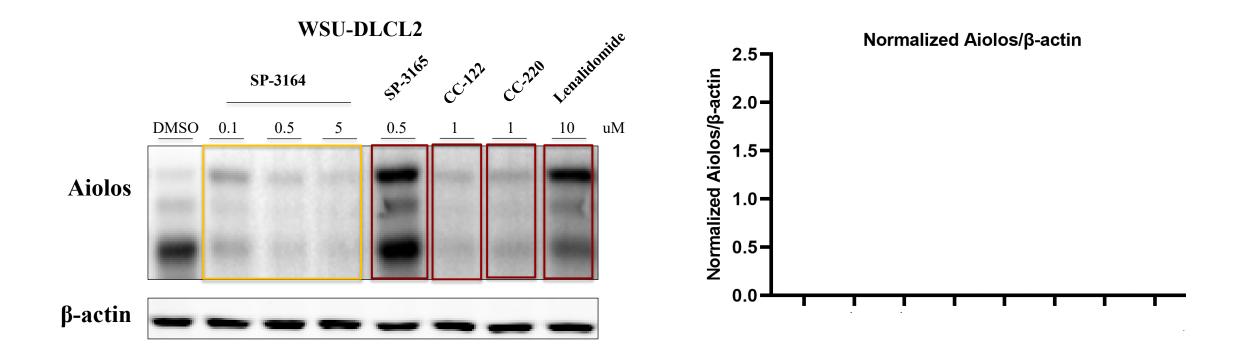
### HiBiT-IKZF3 MM.1S Degradation (2 hours)



- Treatment with SP-3164 for 2 hrs results in deep and rapid degradation of the target protein, IKZF3.
- At comparable concentrations, SP-3164 induced more degradation of IKZF3 compared to CC-122
- SP-3165 does not result in protein degradation except for at high concentrations.

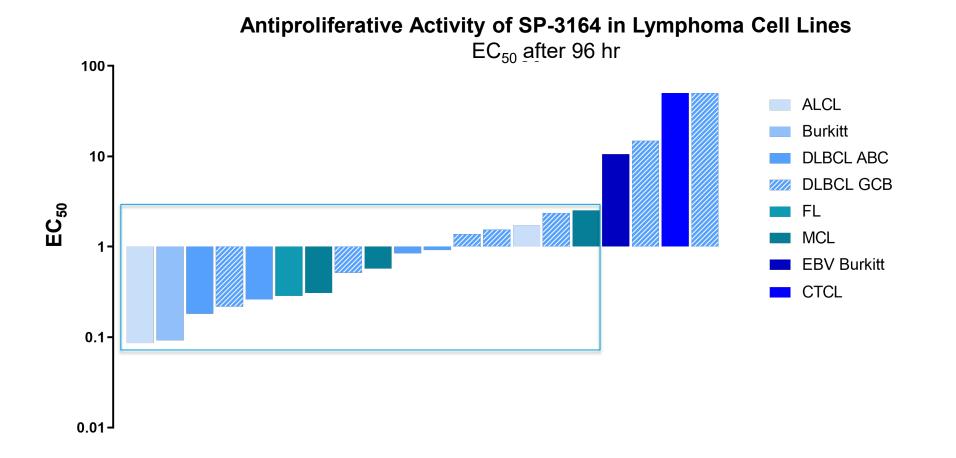
Performed at Promega

### **SP-3164 Exhibits Dose-Dependent Aiolos Degradation**



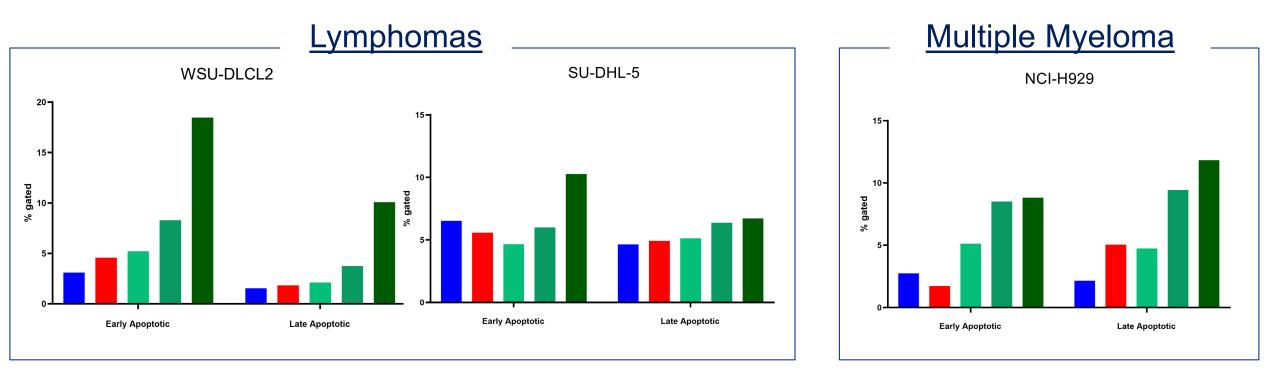
- SP-3164 exhibits dose-dependent Aiolos degradation
- SP-3165 exhibits minimal neosubstrate degradation
- SP-3164 (500 nM) is comparable to CC-122 and CC-220 (1  $\mu$ M), better than LEN (10  $\mu$ M)

### SP-3164 Inhibits Viability in Lymphoma Cell Lines in vitro



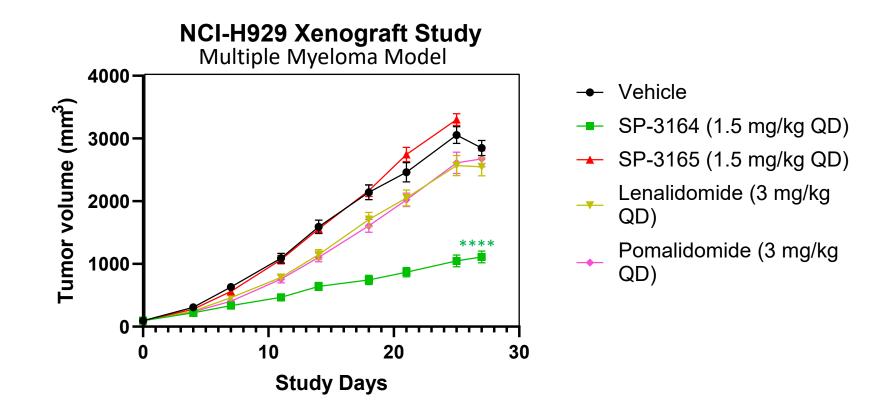
In a panel of 20 lymphoma cancer cell lines representing various subtypes, SP-3164 demonstrated potent antiproliferative activity within 96 hrs of dosing in 16 cell lines (average  $EC_{50} < 1 \mu M$ , range 0.092-2.523  $\mu M$ ).

### SP-3164 Induces Apoptosis in Lymphoma and Myeloma Cells



- DMSO
- SP-3165 1uM
- SP-3164 0.1uM
- SP-3164 1uM
- SP-3164 10uM

### SP-3164 Shows Significant TGI Compared to Other IMiDs<sup>®</sup> In MM H929 Xenograft Model



- SP-3164: exhibits significant TGI compared to approved IMiDs for MM1
   SP 3165: No significant TGL rather a trend towards supporting tumor growtheter and towards support towards support to a support to a
- SP-3165: No significant TGI, rather a trend towards supporting tumor growth

1. Revlimid<sup>®</sup> (lenalidomide) and Pomalyst<sup>®</sup> (pomalidomide)

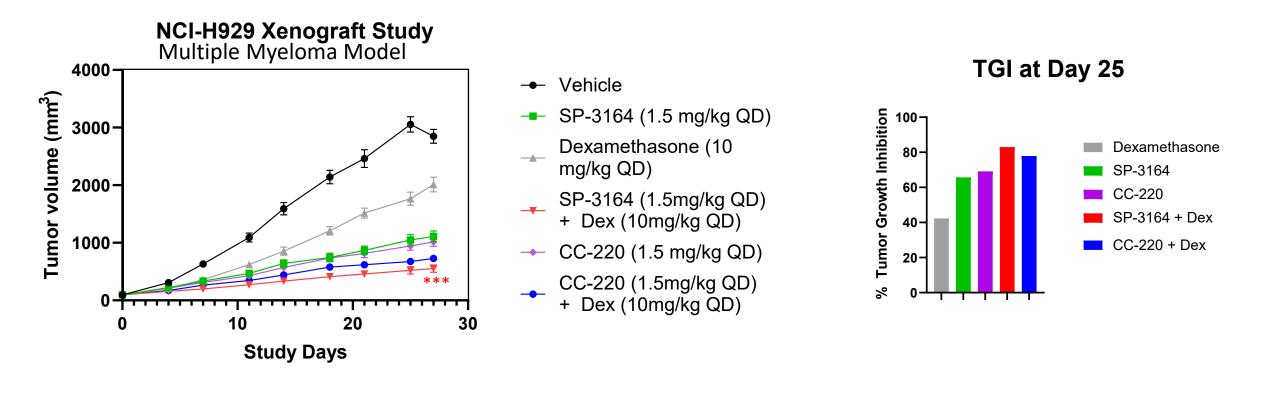
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Abbreviations: Tumor Growth Inhibition (TGI), Multiple Myeloma (MM)

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Compared to vehicle, \*\*\*\*p < 0.0001

# SP-3164 Shows Enhanced TGI In Combo With Dexamethasone Comparable activity to CC-220



• Combo SP-3164 + dexamethasone (Dex) showed increased TGI vs either agent alone.

- Compared favorably to CC-220 (iberdomide) + Dex
- Future studies with combos of SP-3164 and MM standard-of-care (SOC) agents

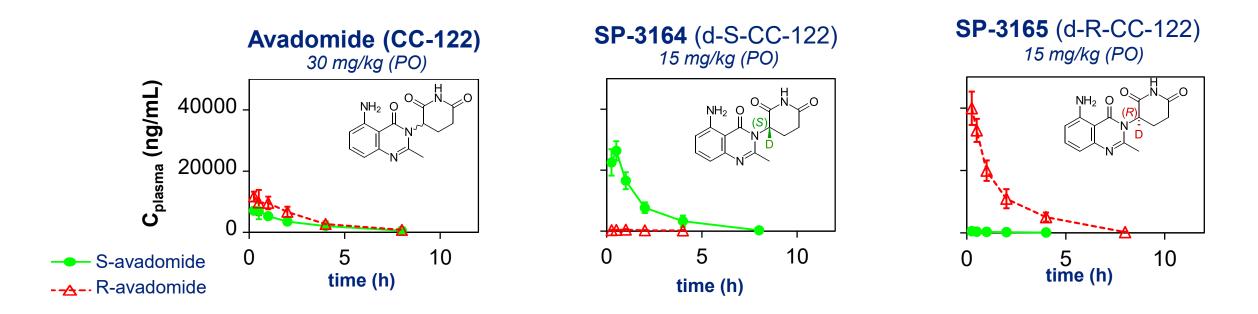
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Compared to single agent SP-3164; \*\*\*p < 0.001

# **SP-3164** *In Vivo* **Pharmacokinetics - Stabilization Demonstrated** *Exclusive Exposure to Single Enantiomers in Mice*

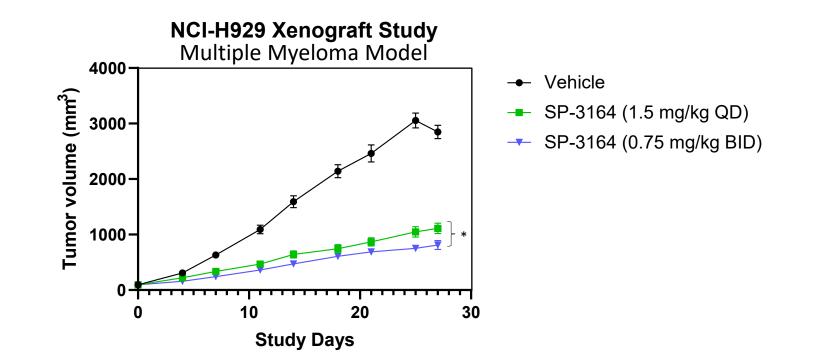


#### Avadomide (CC-122): Stereoselective for undesired R-enantiomer after dosing (R>S)

- Little to no interconversion with deuterium-stabilized enantiomers
- Increased Cmax with single enantiomer vs racemate\* → opportunity to lower doses in clinic
- SP-3164 has a shorter Tmax and t1/2 compared to CC-122

PNAS 2015, 112(12): E1471-E1479. Single dose of compound by oral gavage. \*Observed with other chiral switches including PXL065 and Nexium®

# **SP-3164: Clinical Dosing Considerations** SP-3164 Dosed BID Has Improved Activity Compared To QD

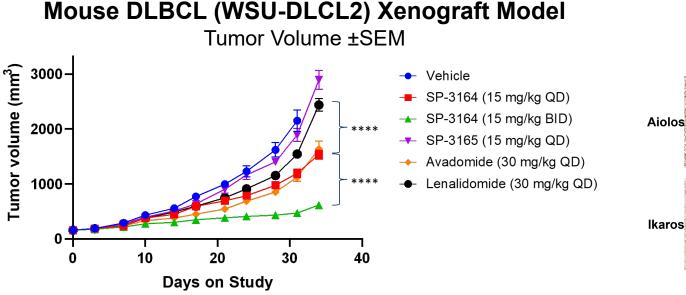


- For equivalent daily exposures (1.5 mg/kg QD and 0.75 mg/kg BID), the BID dose
  resulted in significantly improved TGI compared to the QD dose
  - > Better to have a lower C<sub>max</sub>, but increased duration of an effective exposure to SP-3164 than a bolus-like exposure

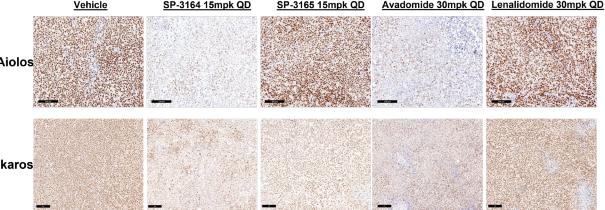
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### **SP-3164 Demonstrates Single-Agent Activity in DLBCL**

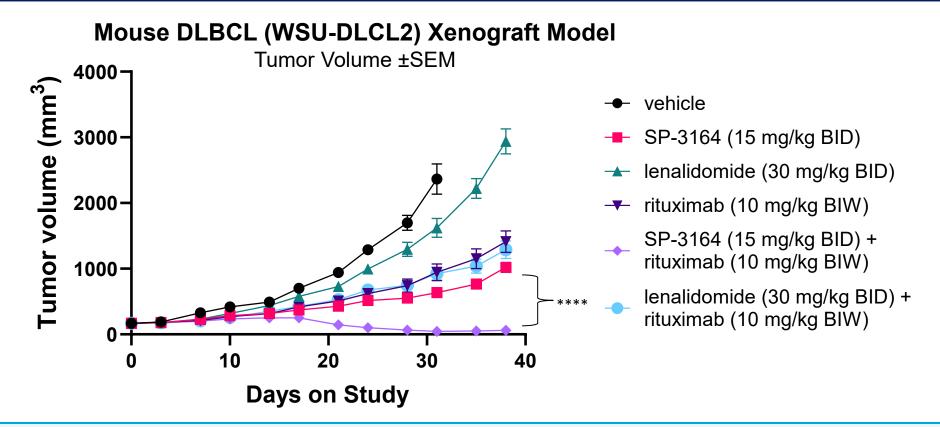


#### **Degradation of Aiolos and Ikaros in tumors**



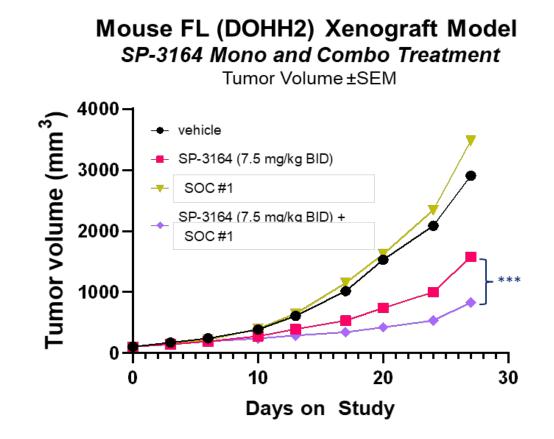
- SP-3164 demonstrated pronounced antitumor activity as single agent outperforming lenalidomide and comparable to avadomide while SP-3165 lacked significant antitumor activity (\*\*\*\* p≤ 0.0001).
- Due to SP-3164's shorter  $t_{1/2}$  vs. avadomide, SP-3164 was studied BID resulting in the largest inhibitory effect.
- Treatment with SP-3164 caused degradation of Aiolos and Ikaros in tumors (representative IHC images at t=6hr).

### SP-3164 Shows Synergistic Activity with Rituximab in DLBCL



- SP-3164 combination with rituximab was compared to approved regimen, lenalidomide and rituximab in WSU-DLCL2 DLBCL model.
- Combination of SP-3164 and rituximab resulted in sustained regressions with 50% of mice being tumor-free, significantly better than the lenalidomide and rituximab regimen (\*\*\*\*p ≤0.001).

### SP-3164 Shows Improved Activity Over And Significant Synergy With SOC Agents in Follicular Lymphoma



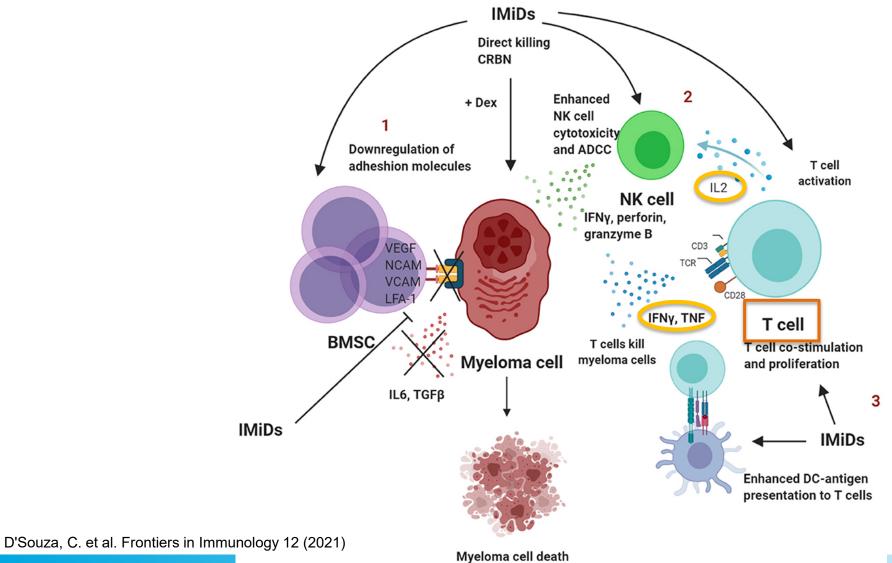
- SP-3164 shows single agent tumor growth inhibition (TGI) in a Follicular Lymphoma model and is significantly better than the standard of care (SOC) agent
- In combination with a SOC agent, SP-3164 causes tumor regressions.

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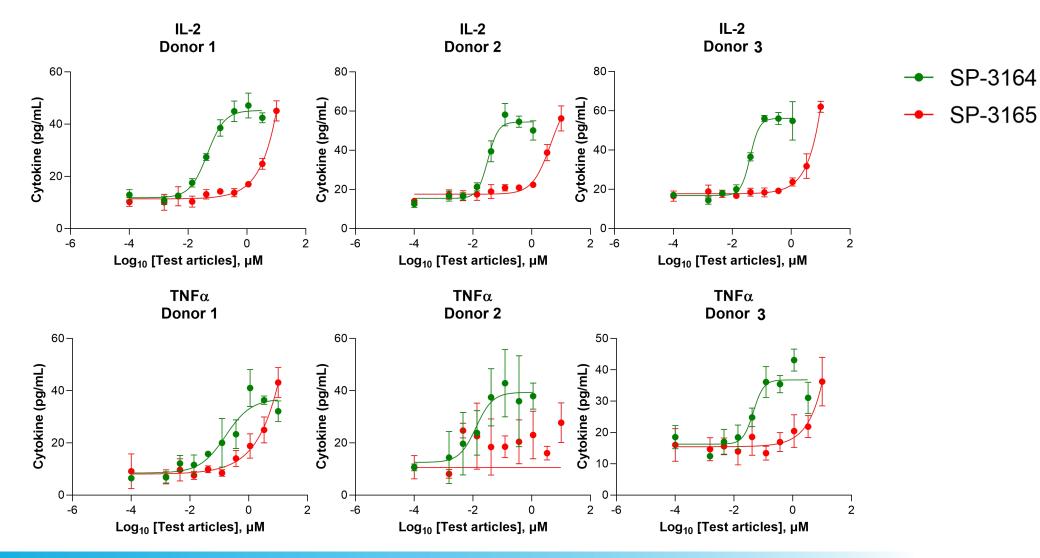
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1. Standard of care details available under CDA

### **SP-3164 Exhibits Immune Modulation Effects**

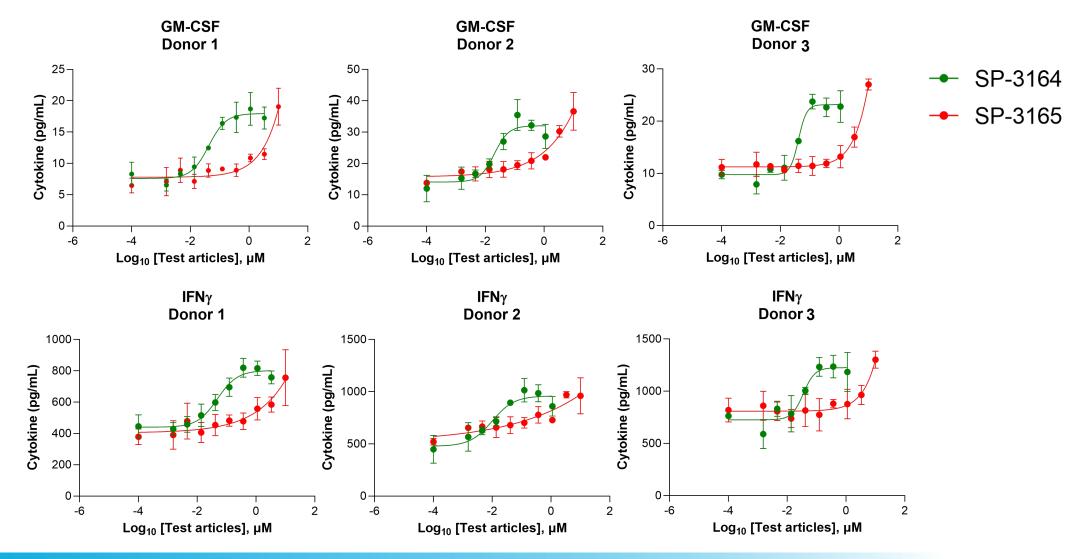


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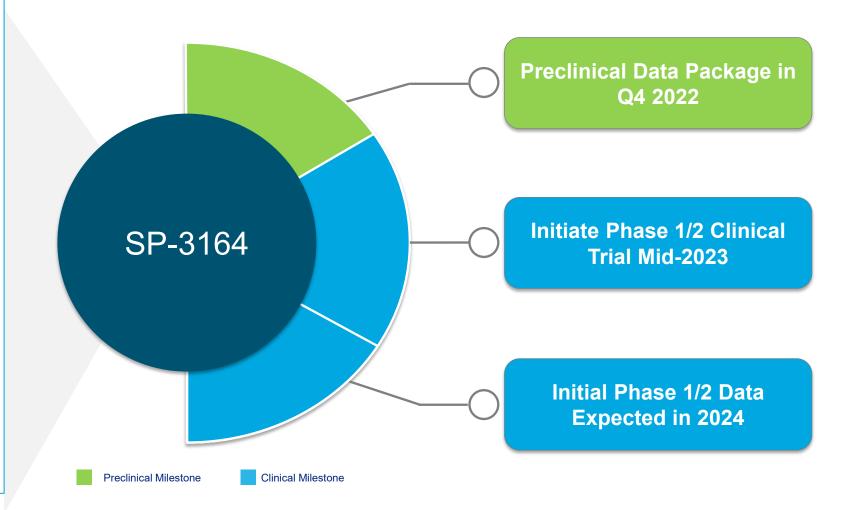
# **SP-3164 Current Status and Upcoming Milestones**

#### **Completed**

- FDA Pre-IND meeting process
- API CMC optimization
- GMP API batch
- Drug product CMO contracting
- GLP toxicology CRO contracting & scheduling
- Initial in vitro and in vivo studies
- Dose ranging toxicology
- Multiple Myeloma and Lymphoma advisory boards

#### **Ongoing and Upcoming**

- Drug product formulation development
- GLP toxicology
- In vitro IND enabling studies
- Extensive in vivo single agent, combination therapy and comparator studies



### **Conclusions and Future Directions**

### **Conclusions**

- > Selecting for preferred enantiomers is a proven method for successful drug development
- We successfully developed SP-3164 to be the stabilized, active S-enantiomer of CC-122, a widely studied molecular glue with clinical activity/safety data. SP-3164 demonstrates:
  - ✓ Potent cereblon binding, efficient degradation of neosubstrates, induction of apoptosis
  - ✓ Minimal to no interconversion to the R-enantiomer in *in vivo* studies; differential PK could lead to dosing advantages
  - ✓ Significant TGI in *in vivo* studies; improvement over approved IMiDs
- Elimination of the R-enantiomer may lead to improved activity and safety, as demonstrated by SP-3165's lack of anticancer activity and its potential role in supporting of tumor growth.
- In in vivo DLBCL studies, SP-3164 showed synergistic activity with rituximab (anti-CD20), resulting in tumor regressions and performing significantly better than the approved regimen, lenalidomide and rituximab.

### **Future Directions**

- Explore SP-3164 in other heme malignancies and solid tumors
- Continue assessing PK/PD effects to better understand clinical dosing
- Continue exploring immuno-oncology effects and potential combinations for SP-3164
- The presented data support clinical investigation of SP-3164 and a trial is planned for 2023



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