

#### SP-3164, a cereblon-binding molecular glue

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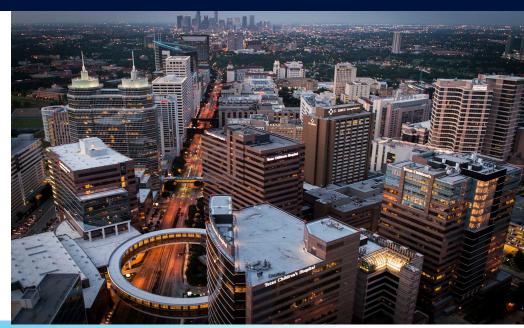
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  - An oncology-focused biopharmaceutical company in Houston, TX
  - 15 FTEs plus experienced consultants
    - Seasoned leadership team with Big Pharma and Biotech backgrounds

- Our mission is to develop novel therapies for patients who need them the most
  - Pipeline focused on agents that correct gene dysregulation

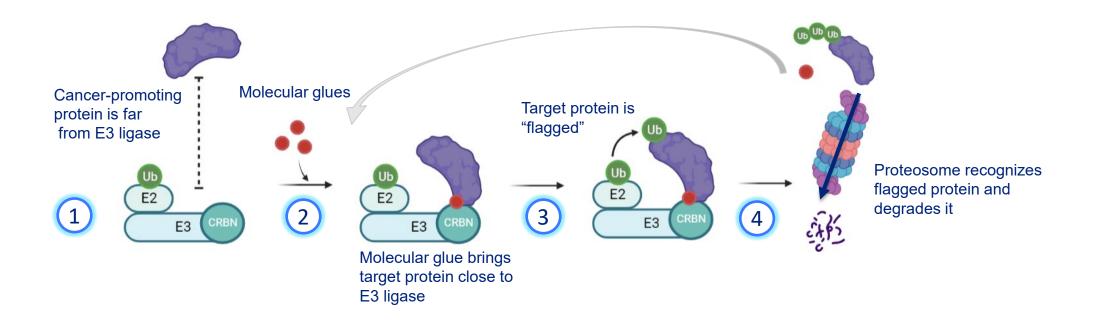


# **Pipeline Overview**

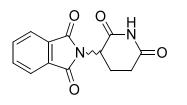
		Discovery	IND-Enabling	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Next Milestones
itors	Ewing sarcoma (Seclidemstat + TC <sup>1</sup> ) FET-rearranged sarcomas + Myxoid liposarcoma (Seclidemstat)						Interim clinical data updates in 2H 2022
Inhibitors	Hematologic cancers <sup>2</sup> (Seclidemstat + azacytidine)						Interim clinical data updates in 2H 2022
	Select gynecologic cancers <sup>3</sup> (Seclidemstat + pembrolizumab)						Trial activation
	Hematologic and solid tumors NCE second-generation LSD1						Nominate clinical candidate
nders	Hematologic and solid tumors (SP-3164; A/I molecular glue)						Preclinical data in 2H22 Submit IND in 1H23
Degraders	<b>Undisclosed target</b> (Molecular glue)						Announce lead candidate
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<sup>1</sup> Topotecan and cyclophosphamide <sup>2</sup> Investigator initiated trial active at MD Anderson Cancer Center treating patients with Myelodysplastic Syndromes and Chronic Myelomonocytic Leukemia <sup>3</sup> Investigator initiated trial – Clinical trial agreement not yet finalized

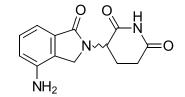
#### **CRBN-Binding Molecular Glues Induce Proteasomal Degradation**



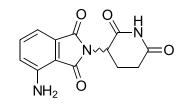
**IMiDs**<sup>®</sup> (Immunomodulatory Drugs) – Approved for hematological malignancies



Thalidomide



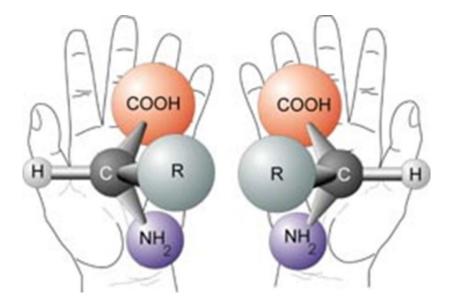
Lenalidomide



Pomalidomide

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



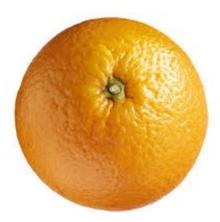
#### Hands & Chiral Compounds

non-superimposable mirror images (enantiomers)





**S**-Limonene Left-handed enantiomer

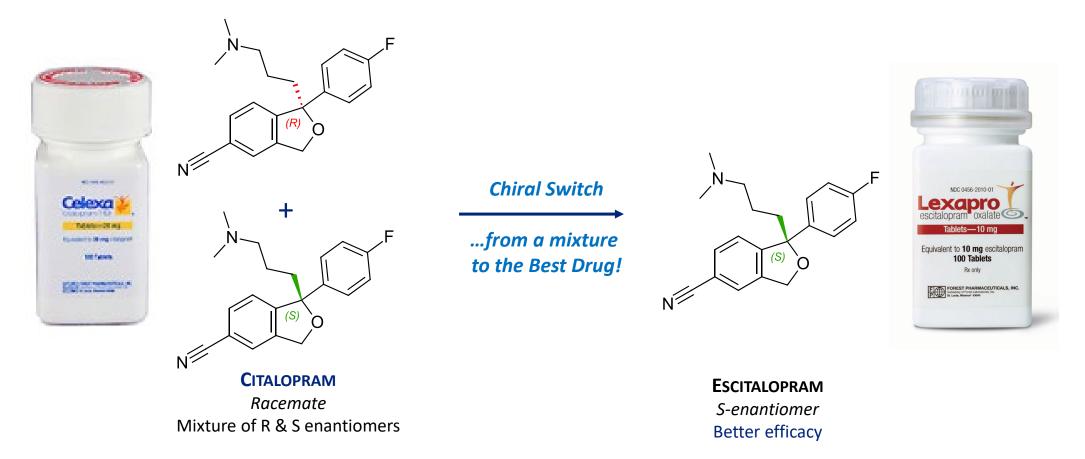


#### **Orange Peel Oil**

*R-Limonene Right-handed enantiomer* 

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

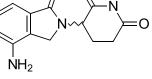
Applied since the 1990s for racemic drugs with stable chiral centers



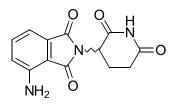
Some Racemic Drugs Cannot Undergo Chiral Switching **Because Two Enantiomers Interconvert Due to Unstable Chiral Centers** 



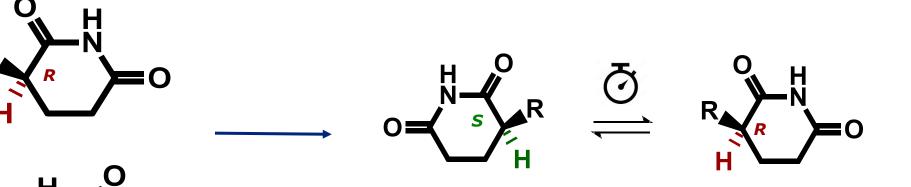
Thalidomide Racemic



Lenalidomide Racemic



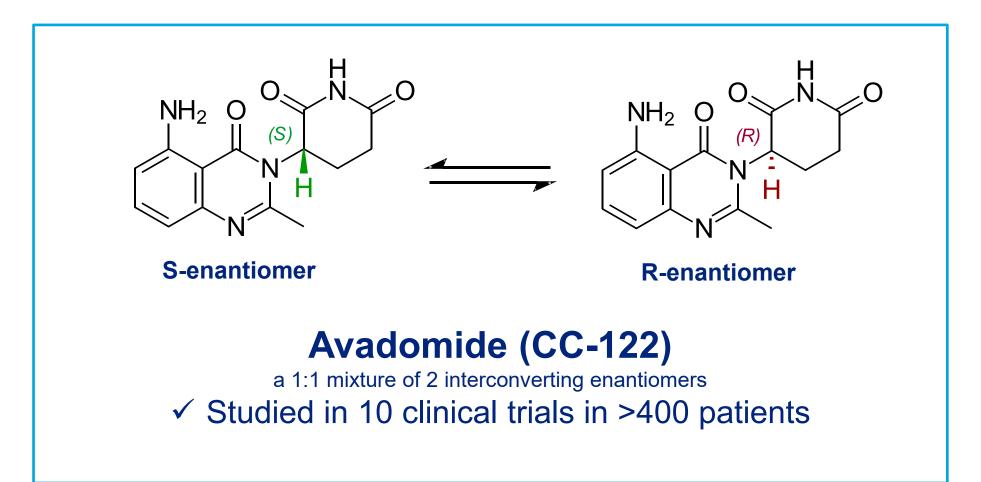
**Pomalidomide** Racemic



Compounds with unstable chiral centers will interconvert and over time form the mixture

\*Representative chemical structure depicts glutarimide portion of thalidomide analogs

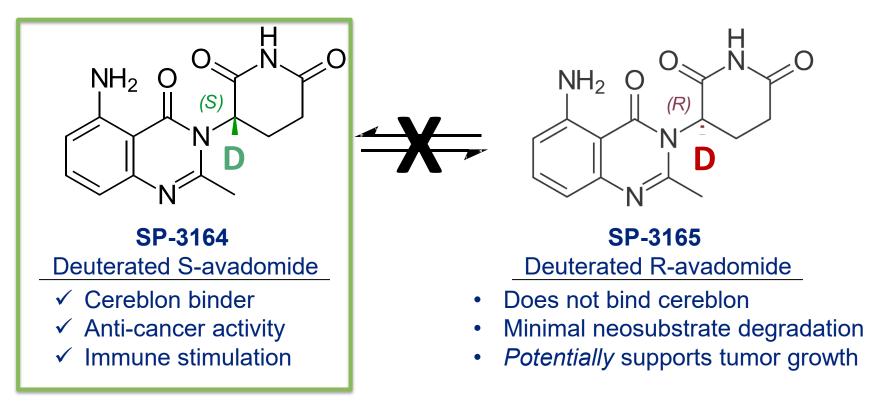
#### **Avadomide, an Extensively Studied CELMoD®** *Exists as a Mixture of 2 Enantiomers*



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

#### SP-3164: The Deuterium-Stabilized S-Enantiomer of Avadomide

Stabilization of avadomide enantiomers with deuterium blocks interconversion

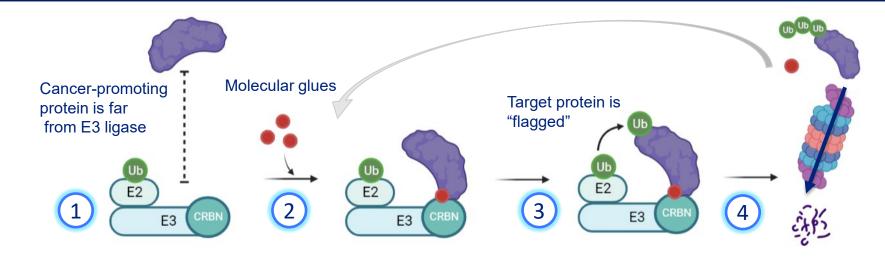


- An NCE with its own, issued composition of matter patent
- Potential for improved efficacy and safety compared to avadomide

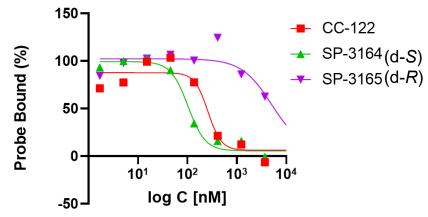
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**SP-3164 Demonstrates Improved Protein Degradation** *Characteristics Compared to Avadomide (CC-122)* 



**Cereblon Binding** 

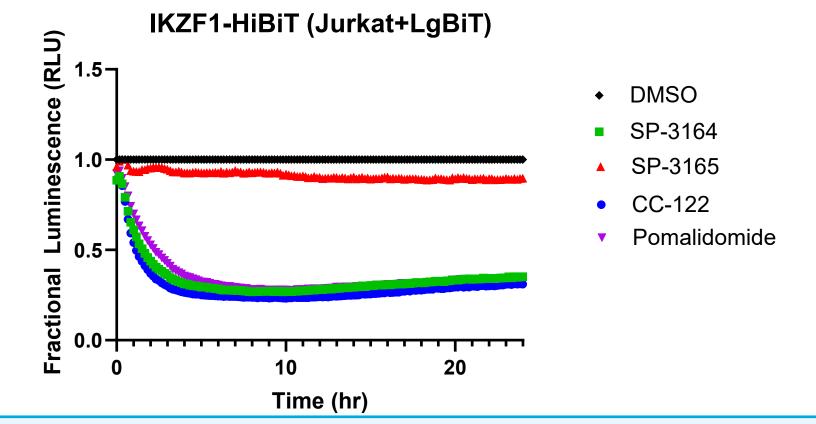


Compound	Kd (nM)			
CC-122	330			
SP-3164 (d-S)	110			
SP-3165 (d-R)	14000			

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.

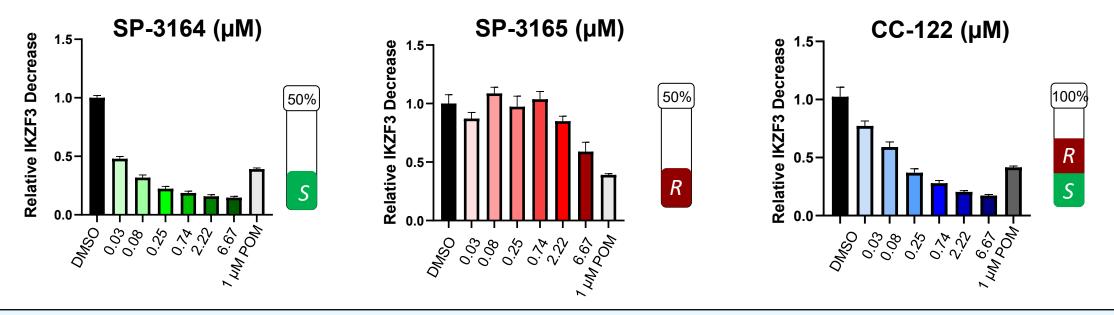
## SP-3164 Rapidly Degrades IKZF1 (Ikaros)



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

Performed at Promega

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



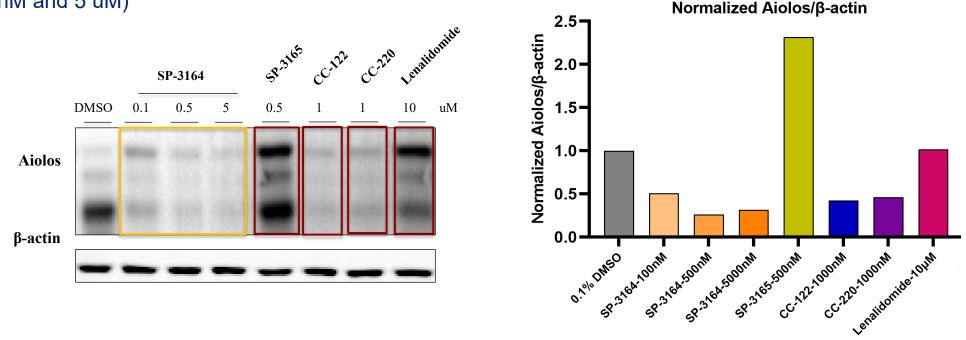
- Treatment with SP-3164 for 2 hrs results in deep and rapid degradation of the target protein, IKZF3.
- SP-3165 does not result in protein degradation except for at high concentrations.
- At comparable concentrations, SP-3164 induced more degradation of IKZF3 compared to CC-122

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

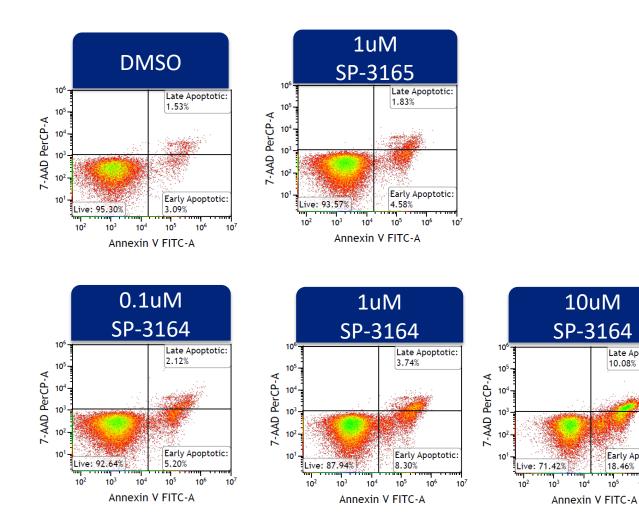
#### Compounds studied in WSU-DLCL2 lymphoma cell line (6 hrs)

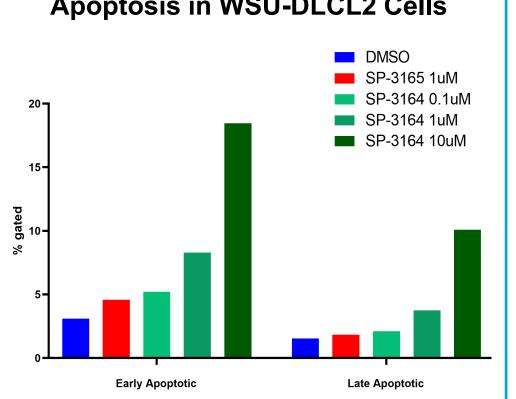
- SP-3164 (100, 500 nM and 5 uM)
- SP-3165 (500 nM)
- CC-122 (1 uM)
- CC-220 (1 uM)
- Len (10 uM)



- 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 Induces Apoptosis in WSU-DLCL2 (DLBCL) Cells (72h)





#### **Apoptosis in WSU-DLCL2 Cells**

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Late Apoptotic:

Early Apoptotic:

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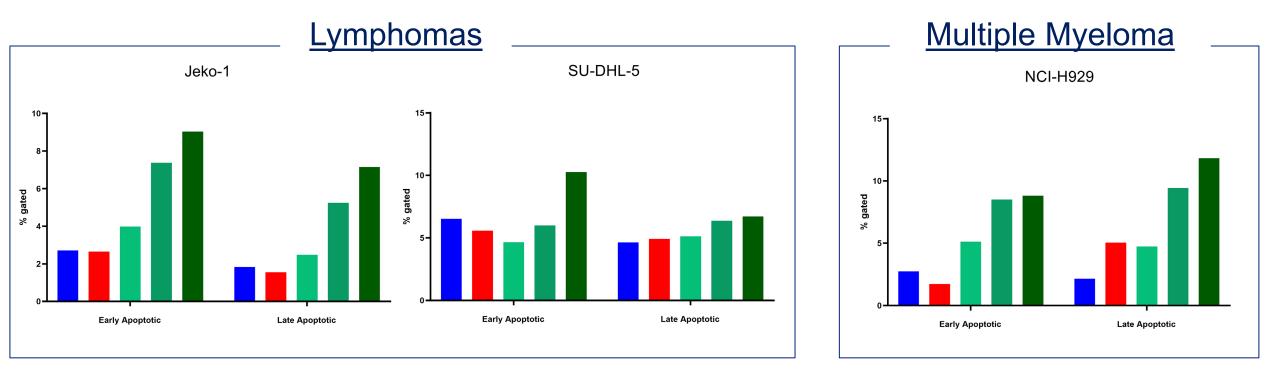
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18.46%

105

10.08%

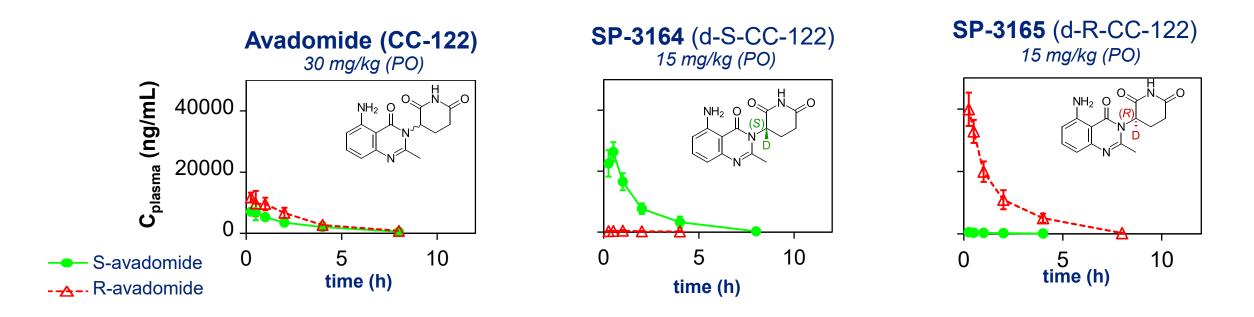
#### SP-3164 Induces Apoptosis in Lymphomas Cells (72h)



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

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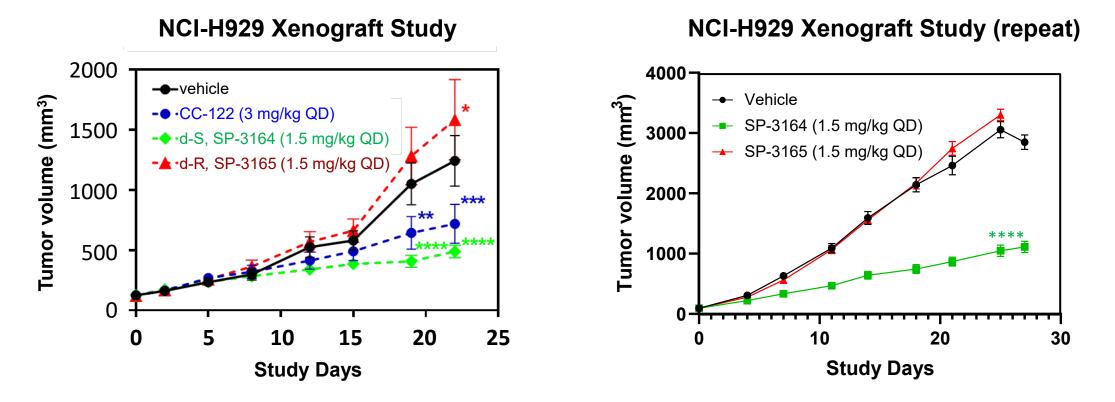
## **SP-3164** *In Vivo* **Pharmacokinetics - Stabilization Demonstrated** *Exclusive Exposure to Single Enantiomers in Mice*



- Avadomide (CC-122): Stereoselective for undesired R-enantiomer after dosing (R>S)
- Little to no interconversion with deuterium-stabilized enantiomers
- Increased  $C_{max}$  with single enantiomer vs racemate\*  $\rightarrow$  opportunity to lower doses in clinic
- SP-3164 has a shorter  $T_{max}$  and  $t_{1/2}$  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 Shows Significant Activity in MM H929 Xenograft Model R-Enantiomer (SP-3165) is Inactive



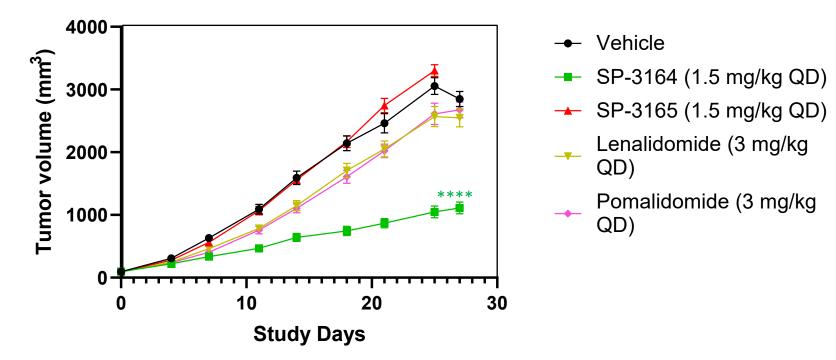
- SP-3164: Significant tumor growth inhibition (TGI) compared to vehicle
- SP-3164: Trended towards more TGI compared to CC-122
- SP-3165: No significant TGI, rather a trend towards supporting tumor growth

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Abbreviations: Multiple Myeloma (MM)

Compared to vehicle, \**p* < 0.05; \*\**p* < 0.01; \*\*\**p* < 0.001; \*\*\*\**p* < 0.0001

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



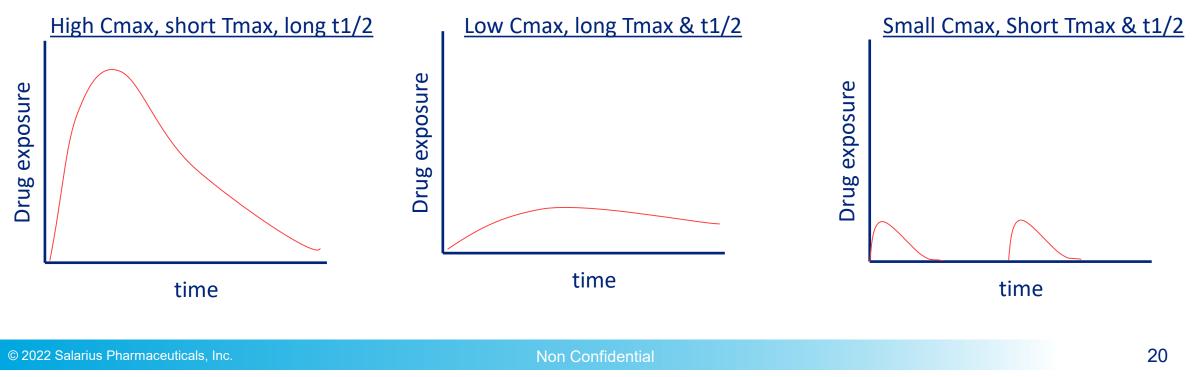
NCI-H929 Xenograft Study

- SP-3164 exhibits significant TGI compared to approved IMiDs for MM<sup>1</sup>
- Future studies will evaluate SP-3164 in IMiD-refractory MM cell lines

Compared to vehicle, \*\*\*\*p < 0.000

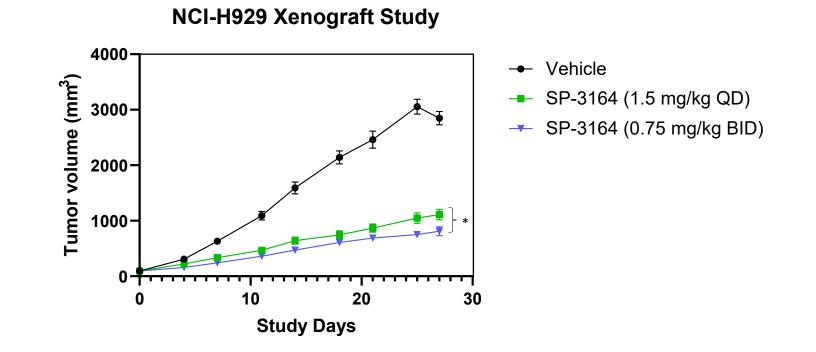
#### **SP-3164: Clinical Dosing Considerations** Identification of Optimal Dose and Schedule to Maximize Effect

- Degrader dosing schedule requires unique considerations
  - Different compared to occupancy-driven inhibitors
  - Take into account compound half-life, sustained PD effect, protein resynthesis, and on-target toxicities
- Preclinical studies may elucidate potential dose schedules to investigate in clinic



Abbreviations: Pharmacodynamic (PD)

## **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

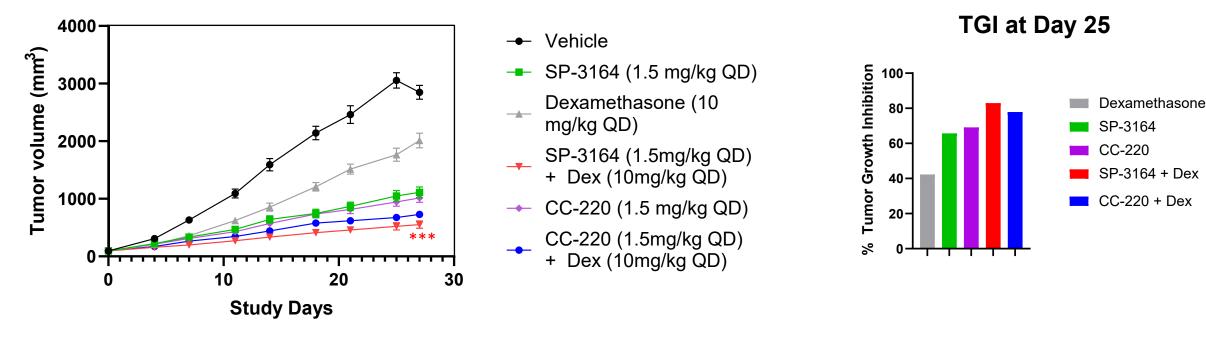
> Better to have a lower C<sub>max</sub>, but increased duration of an effective exposure to SP-3164 than a bolus-like exposure

\* p ≤ 0.05



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

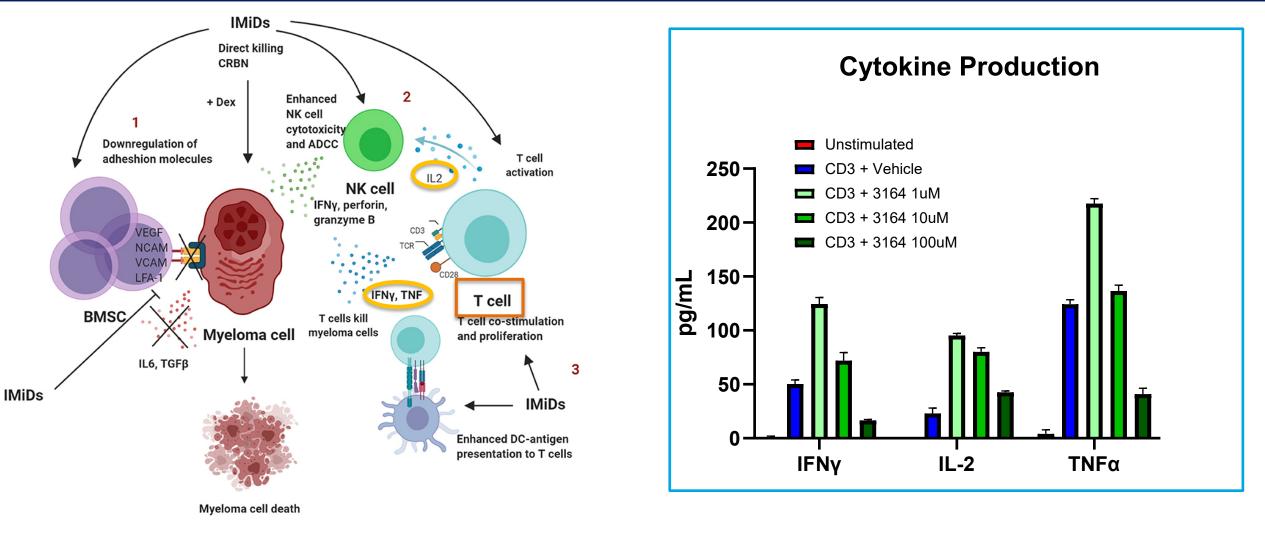
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- Combo SP-3164 + dexamethasone (Dex) showed increased TGI vs either agent alone.
  - Compared favorably to CC-220 (iberdomide) + Dex
- Future studies with combos of SP-3164 and MM standard-of-care (SOC) agents

Abbreviations: Tumor Growth Inhibition (TGI)

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



D'Souza, C. et al. Frontiers in Immunology 12 (2021)

#### **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 and comparable to CC-220 (Ph3)
- 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.

#### **Future Directions**

- Explore SP-3164 in other heme malignancies; *presenting at ASH 2022*
- Continue assessing PK/PD effects to better understand clinical dosing
- Continue exploring immuno-oncology effects and potential combinations for SP-3164

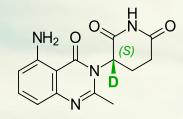
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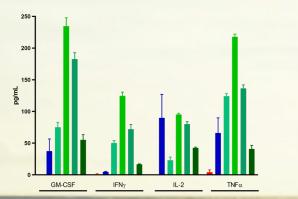
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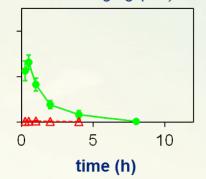
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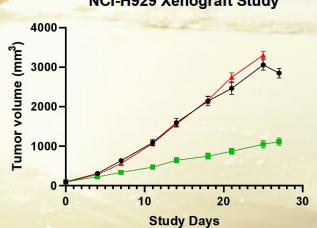
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**SP-3164** (d-S-CC-122) 15 mg/kg (PO)



# Thank you!



NCI-H929 Xenograft Study

- Vehicle

--- SP-3164 (1.5 mg/kg QD)

- SP-3165 (1.5 mg/kg QD)