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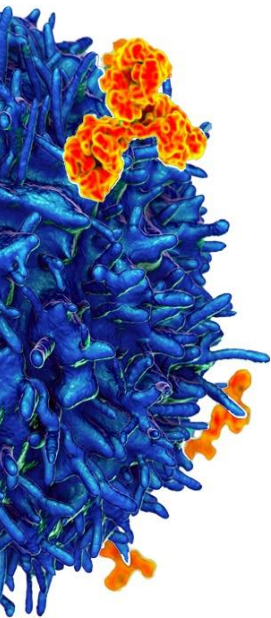
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Introduction to Faron and HR MDS



- 1** Faron is a clinical stage immunotherapy company with proven efficacy in Phase 2 that it can overcome treatment resistance in difficult to treat cancers.
- 2** Lead focus is high-risk myelodysplastic syndrome (HR MDS). HR MDS is a lethal form of blood cancer causing severe anemia, infections and bleeding with no new treatment options for 20 years.
- 3** Frontline treatment of HR MDS consists of a form of chemotherapy named hypomethylating agents (HMAs). There is no approved standard second line therapy.
- 4** There are approx. 40 000 new cases HR MDS diagnosed every year in the US and EU5 representing a significant unmet need and market opportunity.
- 5** Faron's *bexmarilimab* (first-in-class anti-Cleaver-1 antibody) is one of the first drugs with proven efficacy that it can improve cancer cell killing while also inducing the production of healthy blood cells (hematopoiesis) leading to deep and durable responses with sustainable patient benefit.

Bexmarilimab Pipeline

Bexmarilimab development is most advanced in HR-MDS while also showing significant potential in multiple other indications and settings

Treatment	Indication(s)	Phase of development				Anticipate key milestones
		Preclinical	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	
Bexmarilimab + Azacitidine	First line MDS	BEXERA				Phase 2b First-patient-in expected in H2/2026
Bexmarilimab + SoC	r/r MDS + First line MDS and AML	BEXMAB				
Bexmarilimab + anti PD-1	PD-1 resistant NSCLC and melanoma	BLAZE IIT				First-patient-in expected in H2/2026
Bexmarilimab + doxorubicin	Soft tissue sarcomas	BEXAR IIT				First-patient-in expected in H2/2026
Bexmarilimab + Azacitidine	Measurable residual disease (MRD) - positive acute myeloid leukemia (AML)	BEAM IIT				First-patient-in expected in H2/2026

Additional IIT in r/r MDS are in preparation:

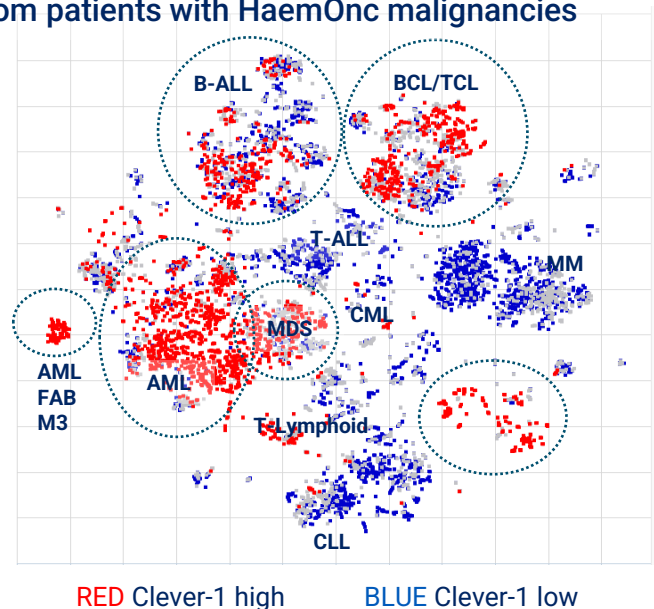
- IIT in r/r MDS: City of Hope Comprehensive Cancer Center in the US is planning to sponsor an IIT in r/r MDS patients aiming to show *bexmarilimab* efficacy with orally available HMA *decitabine-cedazuridine*.

CLEVER-1 is an immunosuppressive receptor highly expressed in MDS and other hematological malignancies

CLEVER-1

- A scavenger receptor expressed by **leukemic myeloid cells** and **immunosuppressive macrophages**¹
- Involved in receptor-mediated endocytosis and recycling of damaged and foreign matter
- Regulates leukocyte trafficking^{2,3}, inhibits T cell activation⁴ and promotes tumor growth⁵
- High CLEVER-1 expression in cancer associates with poor prognosis^{6,7} and contributes to treatment resistance⁸

CLEVER-1 expression in Finnish biobank samples from patients with HaemOnc malignancies



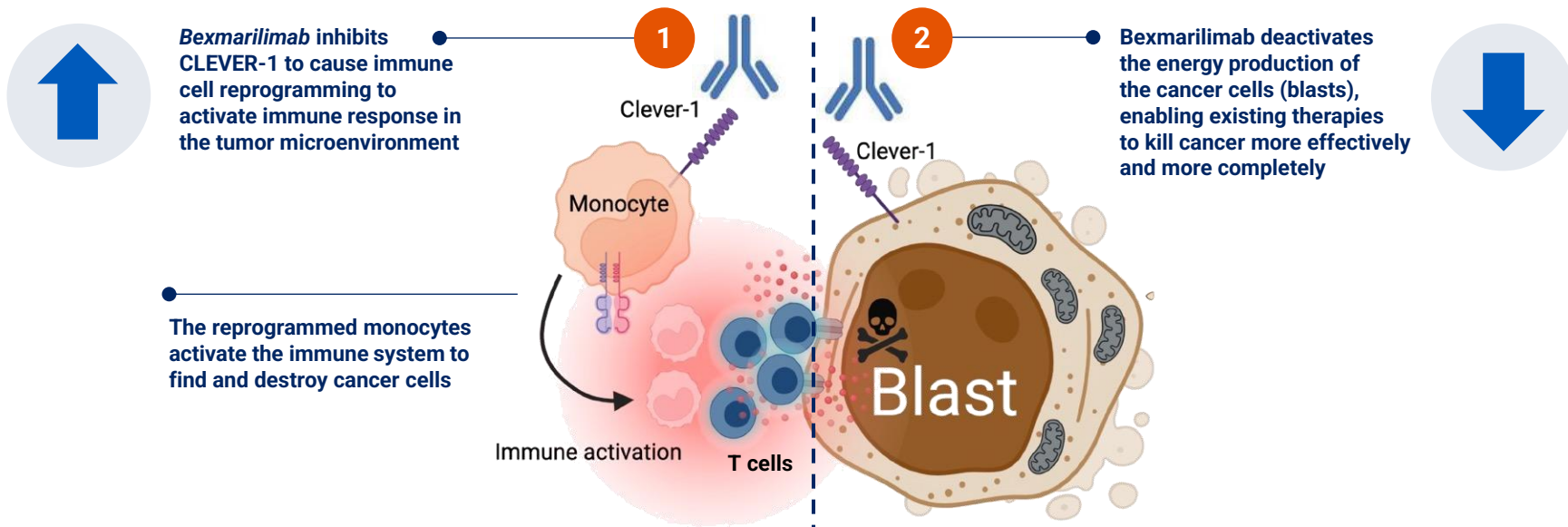
1) Hollmén et al. (2020) BJC. 123, 501-509 2) Salmi et al (2004) Blood. 104, 3849-3857 3) Shetty et al. (2011) J. Immunol. 186. 4147-4155

4) HEMAP dataset: Microarray data of 9,544 samples (Pölonen et al. Cancer Research 2019) <http://hemap.uta.fi>

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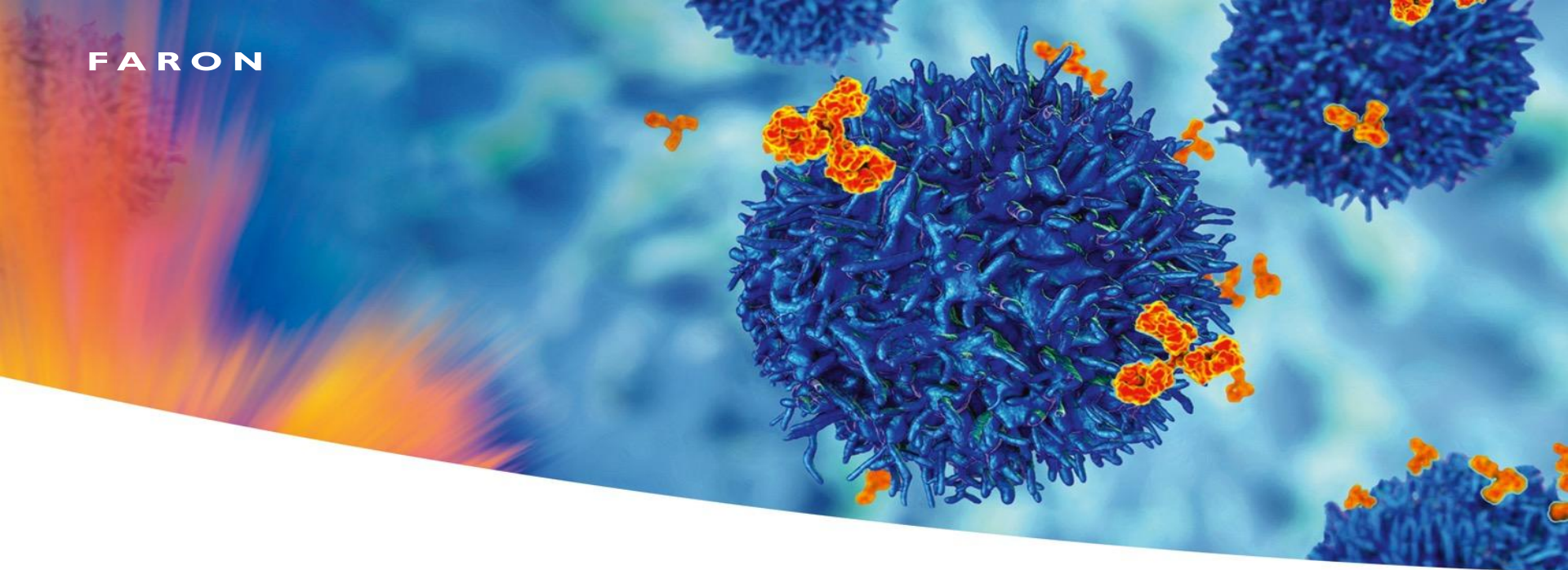
Faron's CLEVER-1 solution

Bexmarilimab (anti-Clever-1 mAb). One of the first drugs to tackle the core biology of HR MDS by activating the immune system and improving cancer cell killing



Source: Hirayama, Iida & Nakase 2017 *The Phagocytic Function of Macrophage-Enforcing Innate Immunity and Tissue Homeostasis*; Gonzalez, Hagerling & Werb 2018 *Roles of the immune system in cancer: from tumor initiation to metastatic progression*; Kim & Cho 2022 *The Evasion Mechanisms of Cancer Immunity and Drug Intervention in the Tumor Microenvironment*; Mantovani & Bonecchi 2019 *One Clever Macrophage Checkpoint*; Hollmen et al. 2022 *Nonclinical Characterization of Bexmarilimab, a Clever-1-Targeting Antibody for Supporting Immune Defense Against Cancers*. *Molecular cancer therapeutics*

Karthikeyan et al. 2025, Immunotherapy, Clinical optimization of bexmarilimab as a myeloid checkpoint therapy, https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/10.1080/1750743X.2026.2617035?url_ver=Z39.88-2003&rft_id=ori:rid:crossref.org&rft_dat=cr_pub%20%20pubmed



BEXMAB Phase 1/2 data

BEXMAB Phase 1/2 Study: very high-risk and difficult to treat population

Study population:

- MDS: treatment naive intermediate, high/very high –risk
- MDS: failure to HMA (r/r MDS)

Study Location:

- Recruited across 10 sites in the US, UK and Finland

Phase 1

- *bexmarilimab* dose escalation with:
 - 1mg/kg, 3mg/kg and 6 mg/kg

Phase 2

- r/r (HMA-failed) HR MDS and front-line HR-MDS
- Randomized to 6mg/kg or 3mg/kg *bexmarilimab* dose

	Treatment-naïve HR-MDS (n=21)	r/r HR-MDS (n=34)
ECOG PS, n (%)		
0	4 (19.0)	9 (25.6)
1	15 (71.4)	21 (61.8)
2	2 (9.5)	4 (11.8)
IPSS-R, n (%)		
Intermediate (>3– ≤4.5 points)	7 (33.3)	7 (20.6)
High (>4.5 - ≤6 points)	6 (28.6)	12 (35.3)
Very high (>6 points)*	8 (38.1)	15 (44.1)
Mutations, n (%)		
TP53	10 (47.6)	14 (41.2)
TP53 biallelic	6 (28.6)	8 (23.5)
ASXL1	7 (33.3)	6 (17.6)
TET2	5 (23.8)	6 (17.6)

***57%**

using IPSS-M very-high criteria

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Frontline HR-MDS patients had strong responses to *bexmarilimab* even in this very high-risk population

45%

Overall CR rate using 2006 IWG

16

Duration of CR in months

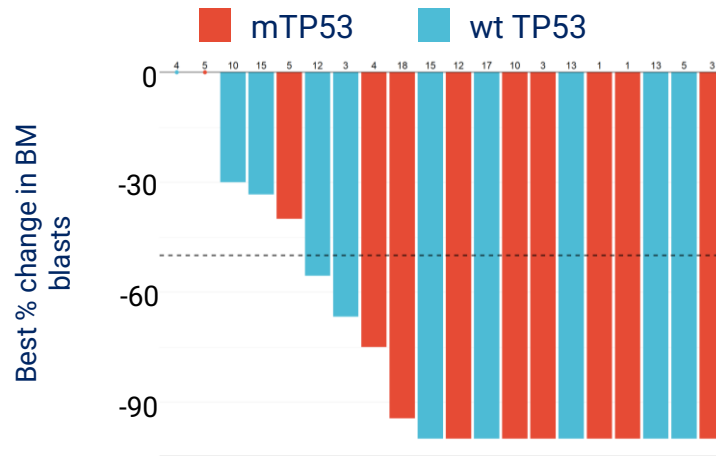
67%

Patients with a CR had no measurable residual disease (MRD negativity)

57%

Frontline patients' transfusion dependent at screening, converted to transfusion independence

The majority of patients fully clear bone marrow blasts including mTP53 patients – 85% ORR



x-axis numbers indicates BM blast % at screening. Dashed line shows -50% reduction of blasts.

^a One patient not evaluable, total n=20.

^b Investigator assessment per protocol defined criteria.

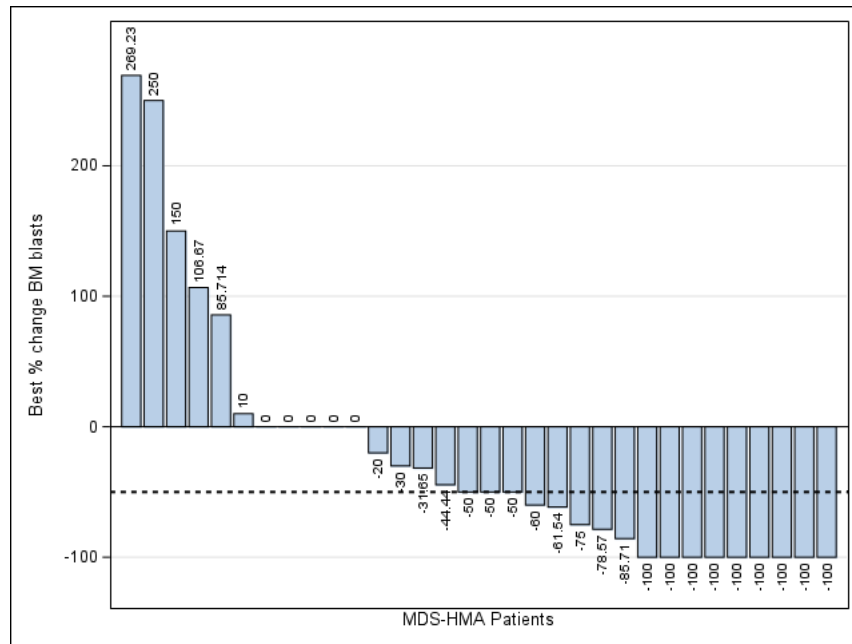
^c Central assessment, 17 patients evaluable for IWG2023 criteria.

Strong results seen also in last line population

r/r MDS	
Total n=33 ^a	IWG2006 ^b
CR	2 (6)
mCR	14 (42)
PR	2 (6)
HI	3 (9)
SD	8 (24)
NR/PD	4 (12)
ORR	21/33 (64%)

^a One patient not evaluable, total n=33

^b Investigator assessment per protocol defined criteria

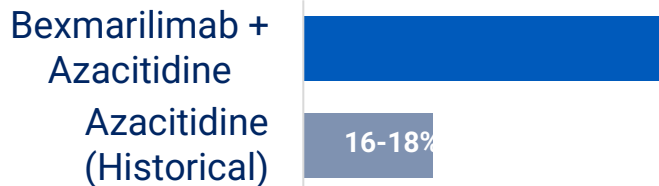


Best percent change in bone marrow blast percentage during BEX+AZA treatment in r/r HR MDS patients. Best decrease within aspirate or biopsy reported, cross-comparison allowed in the absence of a result from matching matrix. Dashed line indicates -50% reduction.

Bexmarilimab demonstrates strong outcomes in HR MDS versus currently available options

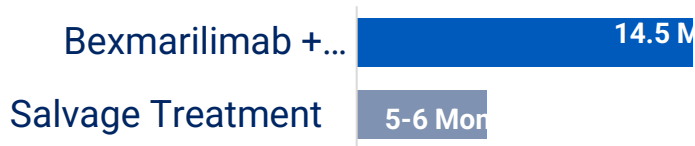
As a first-line combination therapy for treatment-naïve HR MDS patients, Complete Remission (CR) is expected to double compared to azacitidine monotherapy

Frontline HR MDS Complete Remission rates



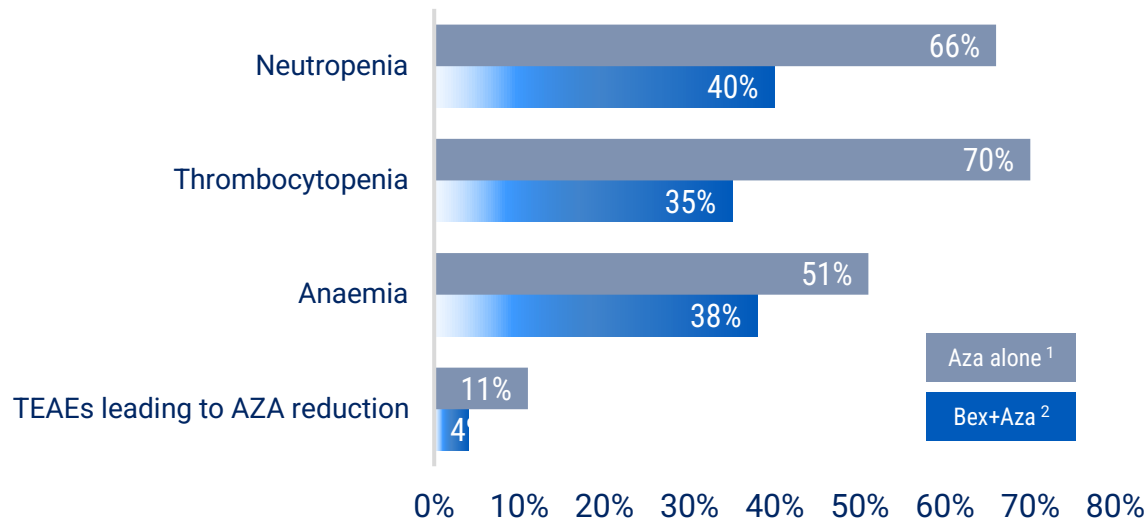
In relapsed/refractory MDS (r/r MDS) patients, Overall Survival (OS) is expected to double compared to available salvage therapies

R/R MDS Overall Survival



Bex increases the production of healthy blood cells and appears to improve the safety of single agent Aza

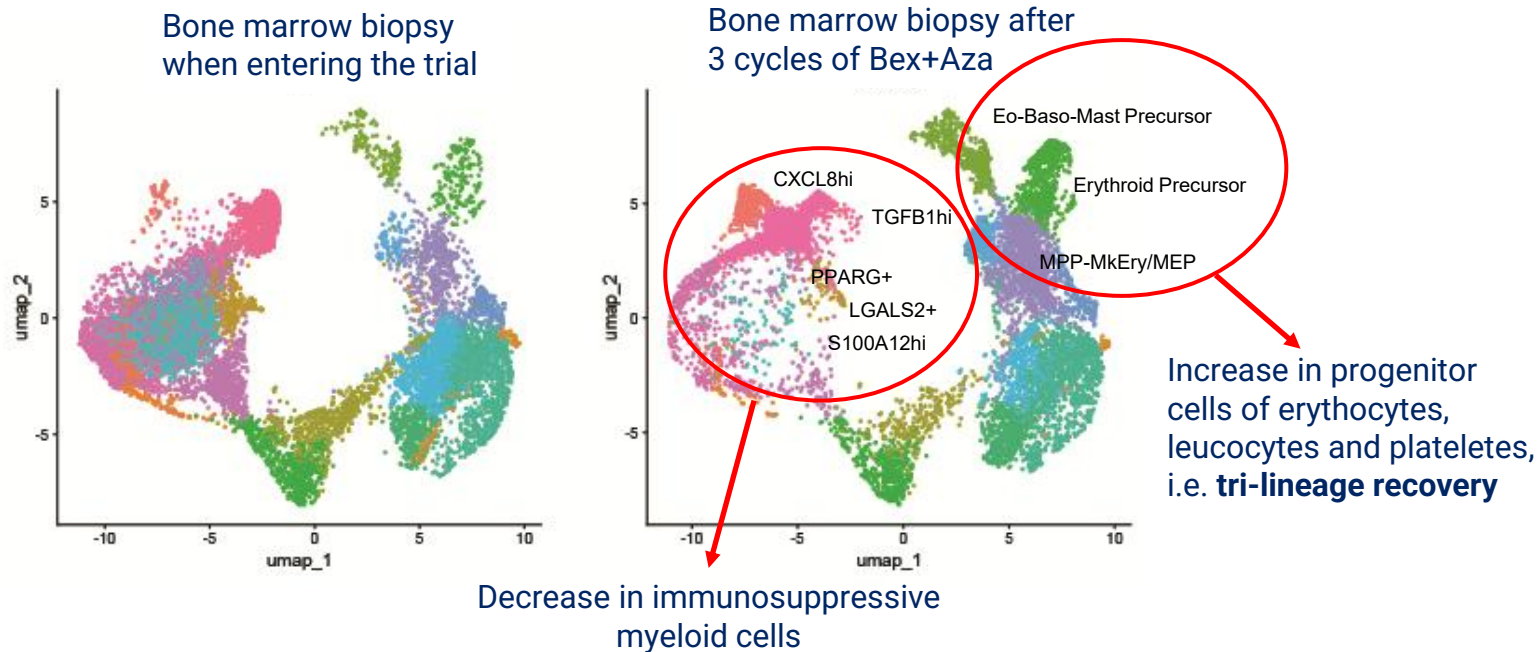
BEXMAB study – key clinically meaningful safety endpoints compared with historical *azacitidine* data



¹ Santini, V. et al. (2010). Management and supportive care measures for adverse events in patients with myelodysplastic syndromes treated with azacitidine. European Journal of Haematology, 85(2), pp.130–138

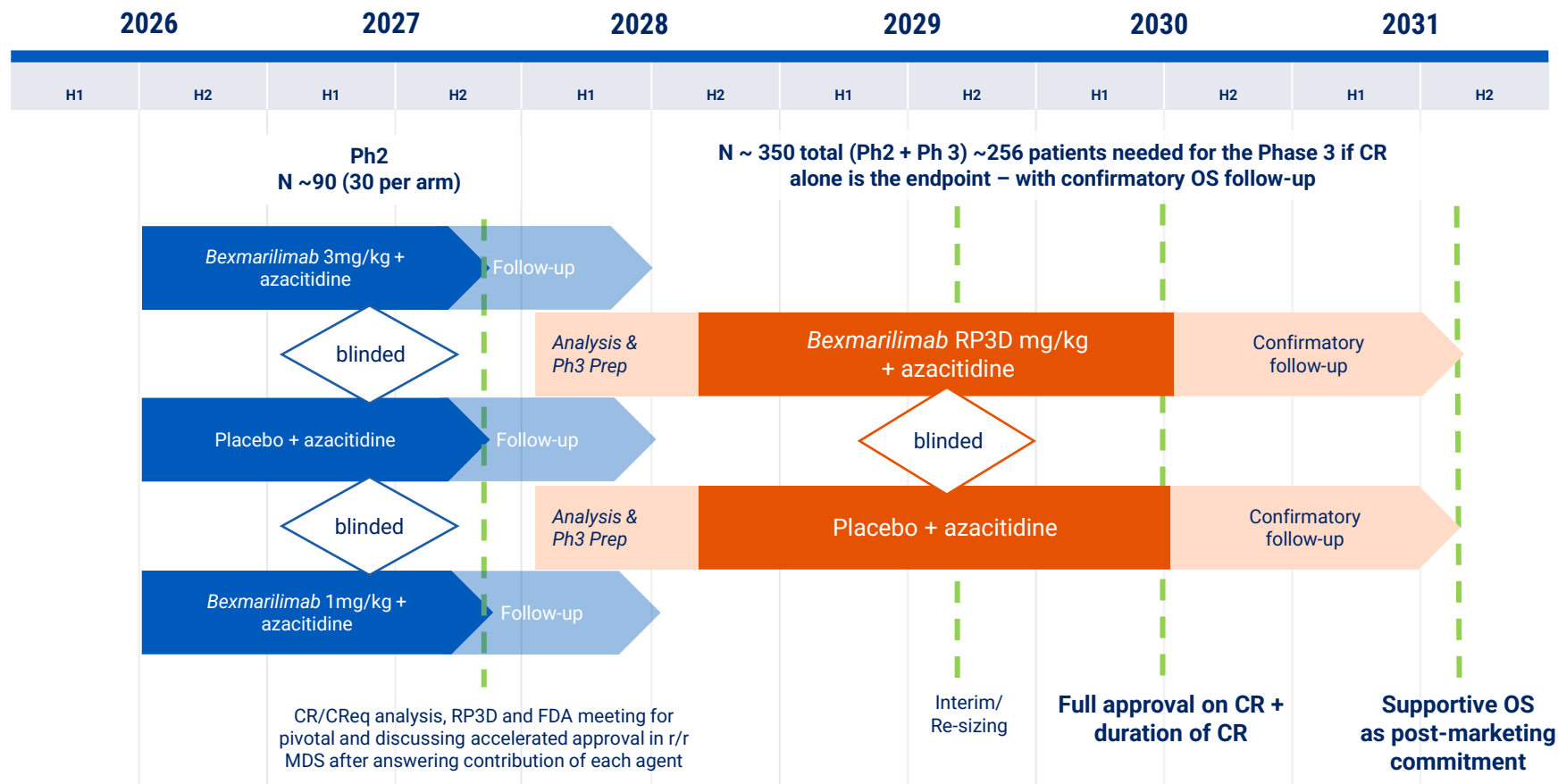
² Full 2025 ASH data cut

Induction of hematopoiesis in the bone marrow of deeply cytopenic HR-MDS patients after Bex & Aza

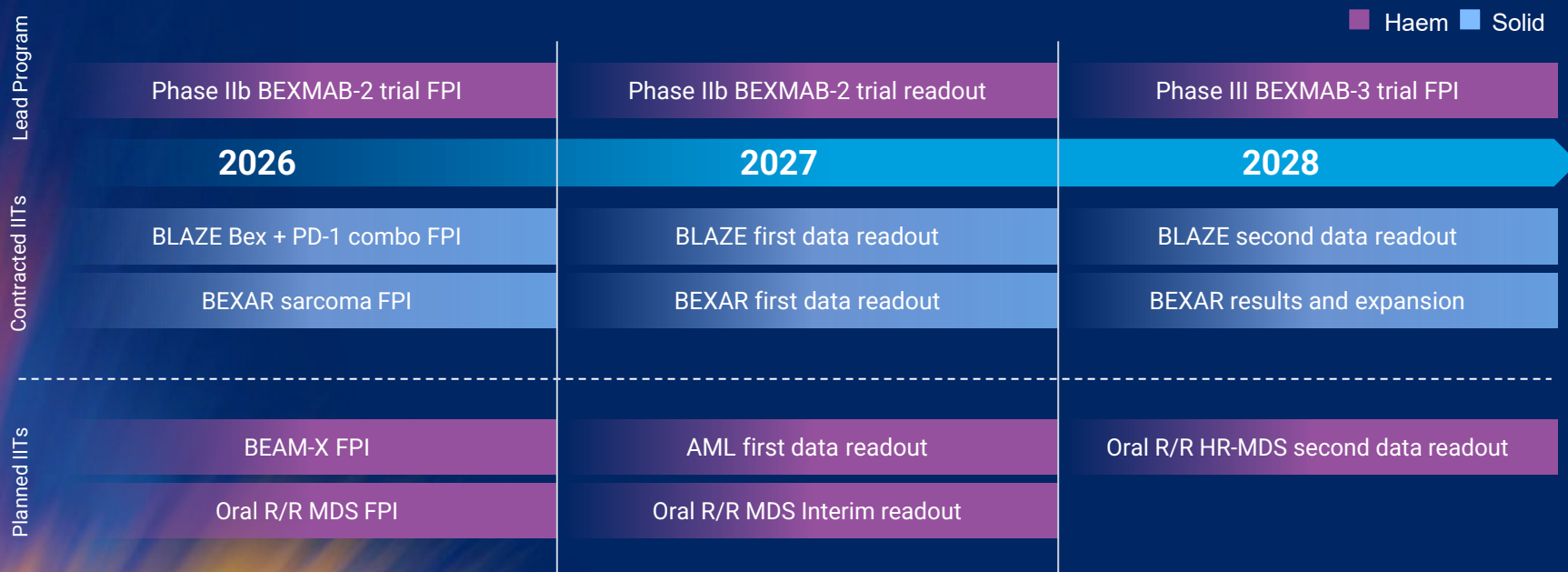


¹ Kontro et al. ASH 2024 poster

Development Plan for Frontline Approval per FDA Guidance



Between 2026 and 2028, multiple value inflection points anticipated for *Bexmarilimab*

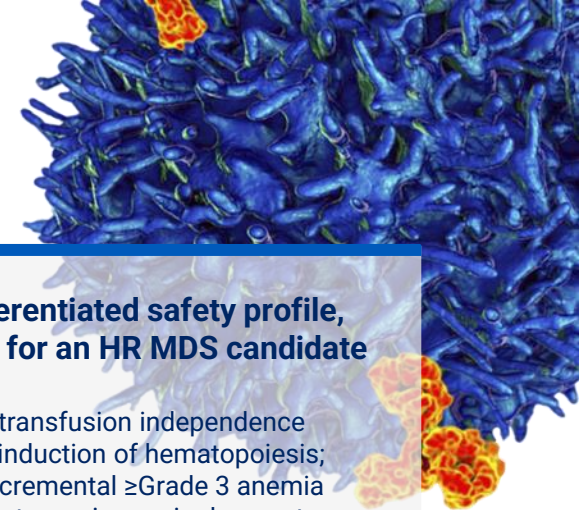


DISCLAIMER:

All IITs are subject to planning and regulatory approval and beyond Faron's direct control, therefore no guarantees can be made as to the start, finish or data releases of these studies

ICR: Institute Of Cancer Research (UK); AML: Acute Myeloid Leukemia; LPLV: Last Patient Last Visit; SCT: Stem Cell Transplant; FPI: First Patient In; IIT: Investigator initiated Trial;

Strong fundamentals of the core business



Large, underserved market in high-risk MDS (HR MDS)

~**40,000** new patients annually across US + EU5 with very limited treatment option available at the moment

Best-in-class efficacy in completed Phase I/II

45% CR rate with 16 month duration estimate in frontline HR MDS

14.5 month estimated mOS in last line HR MDS

Differentiated safety profile, rare for an HR MDS candidate

57% transfusion independence with induction of hematopoiesis; no incremental $\geq$ Grade 3 anemia or neutropenia vs. single-agent azacitidine

Results delivered in one of the most severe HR MDS populations studied

57% classified very high-risk by IPSS-M – a sicker cohort than comparators reporting weaker efficacy and safety

Open window to establish *bexmarilimab* as the new backbone therapy for HR MDS

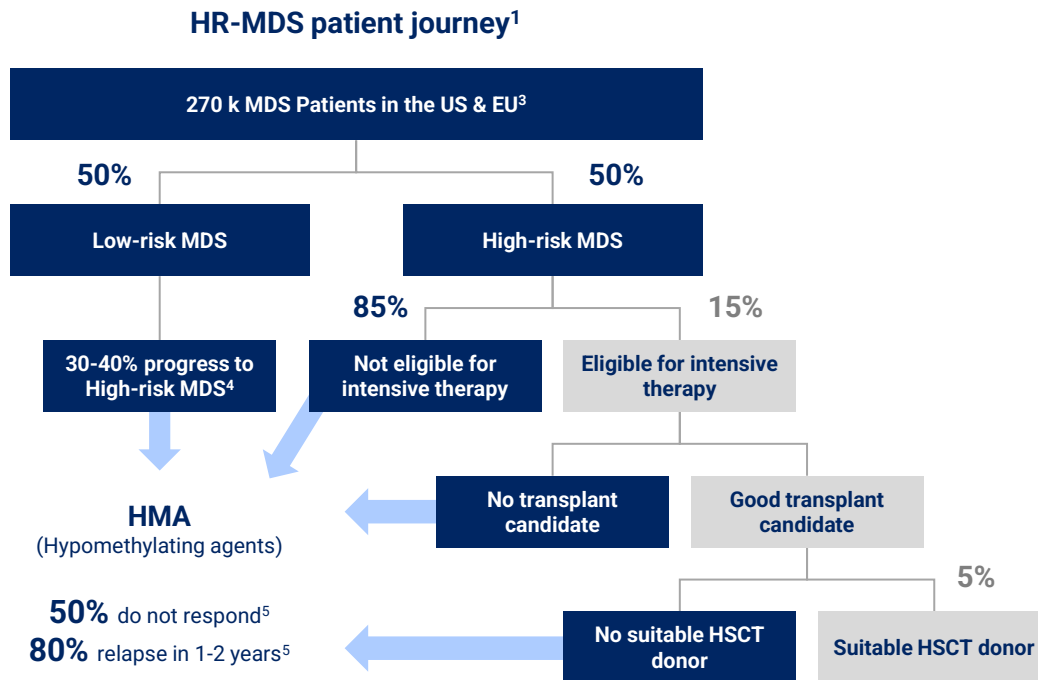
Bex is among the most advanced candidates in development for HR MDS and the Phase 2b readout is considered decisive in establishing Bex's position in the lead

Fully funded through the next value-inflecting catalysts

Cash runway to **YE 2027**
– covers Phase 2b HR MDS readout and multiple Phase 1/2 readouts in solid tumors

HR MDS Market Landscape

Apart from hypomethylating agents or stem cell transplant, there are no treatments for HR-MDS*



Sources: 1) Evaluate Pharma 2024 Sales by indication, 2) National Comprehensive Cancer Network 2024, 3) Rollison et al. 2008, Bejar & Steensma 2014, 4) Jain et al. 2024, Faron internal epi calculations (5) Awada et al. 2023

*IDH inhibitors are approved for r/r MDS but account for only 3% of the population

Faron is leading the era of disease modifying agents

Recent developments in the field puts Faron in a leading position for HR MDS

- Faron has emerged as the leading candidate in HR MDS with differentiated novel biology and an adaptive development plan taking into account past failures.
- Other contenders are relying on more traditional and previously failed approaches such as kinase inhibitors, Bcl2 inhibitors and blocking of CD47-SIRPα pathway. Faron is also leading the new era with its adaptive development plan and new endpoints.
- While the indication presents well-documented challenges, the persistent unmet need and un-tapped market is attracting a growing number of players into the field. *Bexmarilimab* is the only drug in development for HR MDS that has shown direct ability to induce hematopoiesis and tackle resistance.
- Other notable (Phase I/II) immunomodulatory agents in development for HR MDS are anti-Galectin-9 from Gallop Oncology and PI3Kγ inhibitor from Stelexis Biosciences.

Bexmarilimab Remains One of the Most Advanced Projects in 1L HR-MDS (1/2)

Company	Drug	2026	2027	2028	2029
FARON	Bexmarilimab 1L HR-MDS	Ph2b Start H2'26	Ph2b Readout Q4'27	Ph3 Start H2'28	Ph3 Readout 2030
FARON	Bexmarilimab r/r HR-MDS (IIT)	Ph2 Start H2'26	Ph2 Interim H2'27	Ph2 Readout H2'28	
Ascentage	lisaftoclax HR-MDS				Ph3 Data* Jun'29
Akesobio	ligufalimab HR-MDS	Ph2 Readout Q2-Q3'26			
Cantargia	Nadunolimab IR/HR-MDS r/r AML			Ph1/2 Data* Dec'27	
GALLOP ONCOLOGY	LYT-200 r/r HR-MDS	Ph1b Readout Apr'26	27.3% CR, no DLT, no related SAEs	Ph2/3 Start Q2'27	Ph2/3 Readout Q2'29
MENARINI group	Tagraxofusp HR-MDS/MPN		Ph1/2 Data* Jan'27		
CURIS	Emavusertib r/r HR-MDS r/r AML	Ph1/2 Data* Apr'26			
BLOSSOMHILL PHARMACEUTICALS	BH-30236 HR-MDS+r/r AML	Ph1b Data* Jun'26			
GT BIOPHARMA	GTB-3650 HR-MDS+r/r AML		Ph1 Data* Mar'27		
BeOne	Sonrotoclax AML+MDS			Ph1/2 Data* Feb'28	
rigel	Olutasidenib HR-MDS+CMML IDH1mut			Ph2 Data* Aug'27	

Faron is forecasting significant sales in HR MDS alone

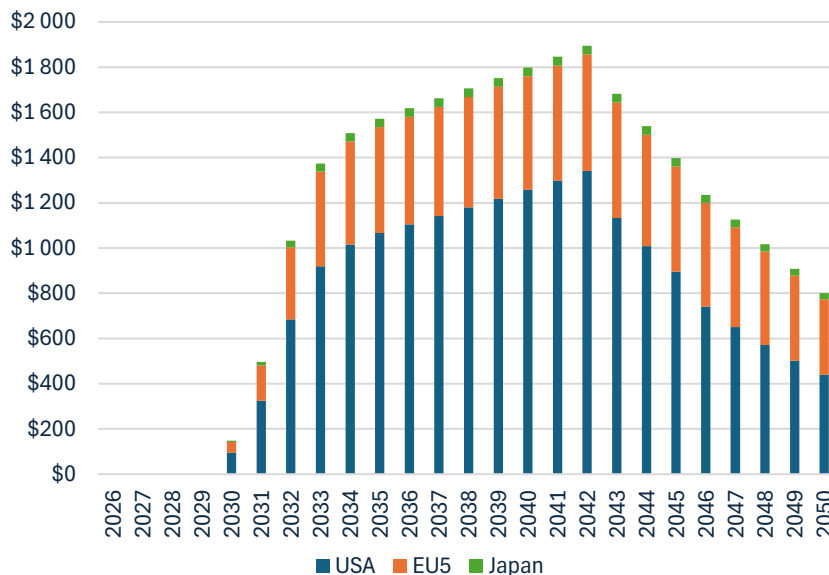
Faron is forecasting approximately just under **\$2 Bn** in sales from HR-MDS alone at peak in 2042.

The lack of competition, high unmet need and orphan drug designation all make for a commercial open goal.

Key model assumptions:

- **Patient Numbers:** Approx. 18k new treated patients in US and 21k new patients in EU¹ per year.
- **Uptake:** 62% in frontline and 32% off-label at peak in R/R due to lack of competition² and peak reached in year 4³
- **Pricing:** estimated at \$225k per year at launch in US and \$100k per year in EU at launch⁴.
- **Launch:** 2030 & LOE 2042

Bexmarilimab Revenue by Region



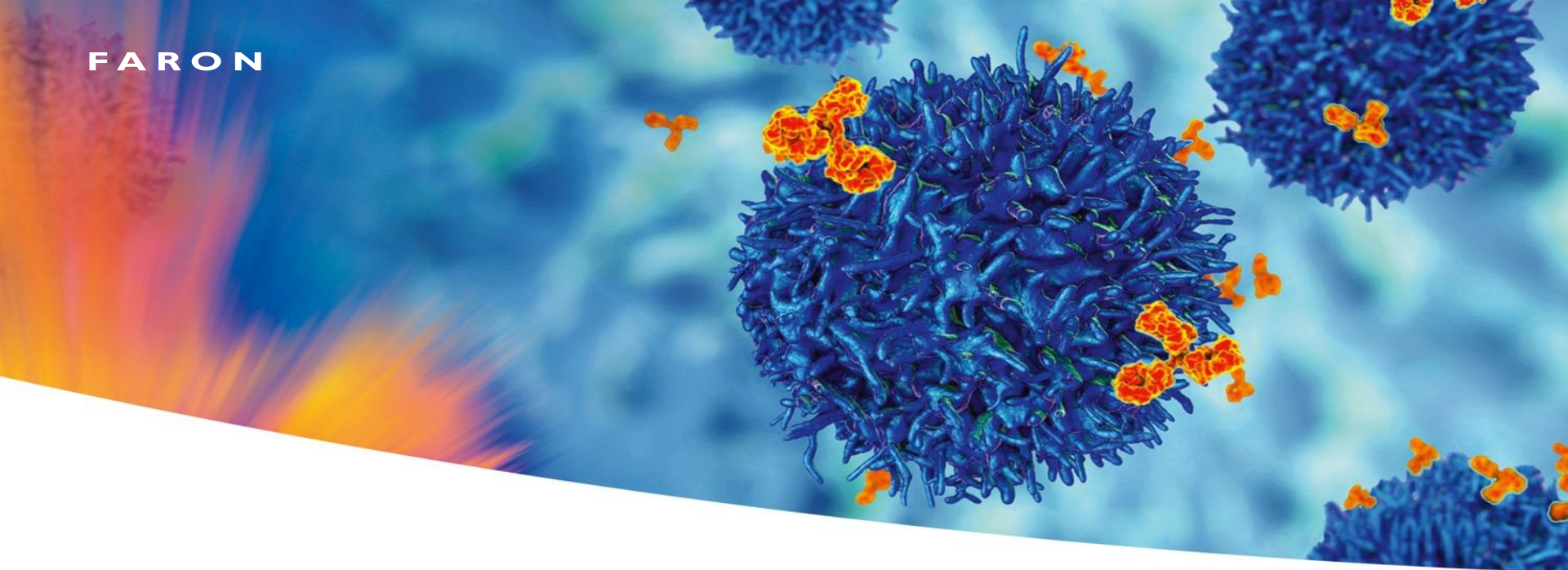
¹ Faron internal analysis based on multiple epi sources

² Based on quant research and competition

³ Quant research

⁴ Qualitative pricing research

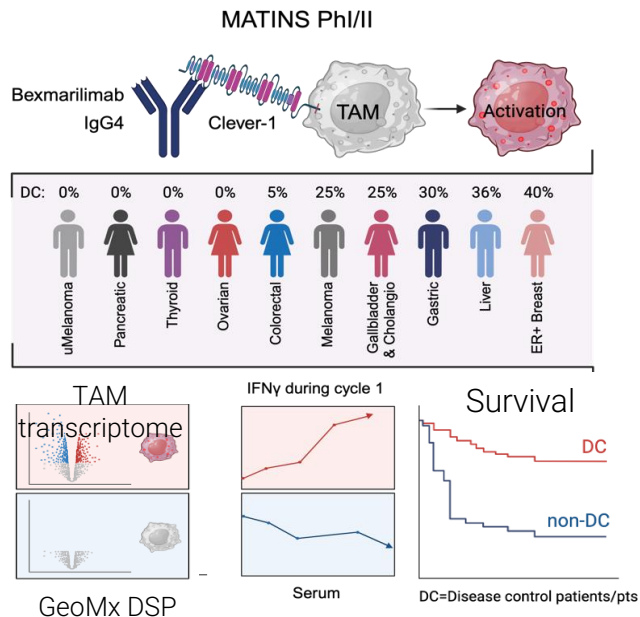
⁵ Faron IP Portfolio



Bexmarilimab in Solid Tumors

Proof of principle of modulating the tumor microenvironment (TME) in solid tumors

Phase 1/2 First-in-Human MATINS Trial



Highlights

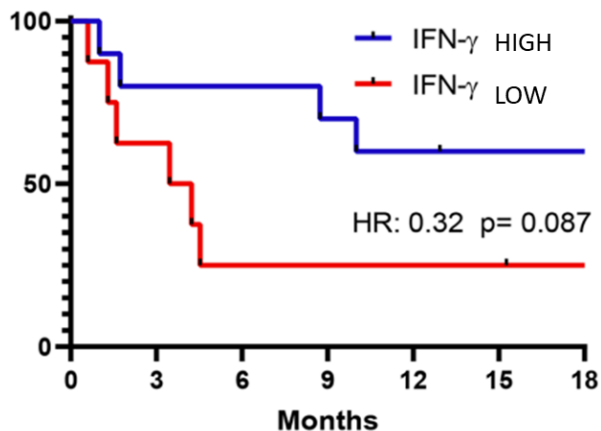
- 216 patients treated across 10 different cancer types
- Targeting Clever-1 with *bexmarilimab* is well tolerated, RP2D 1mg/kg Q3W supported by the FDA
- Bex converts intratumoral macrophages to support adaptive immune responses and IFN γ signaling
- Bex monotherapy modified the TME, which led to increased survival in late-stage cancer patients
- Low baseline immune activation associates with clinical benefit from Bex

Source: 1) MoA: Mechanism of Action, TME: Tumor Microenvironment

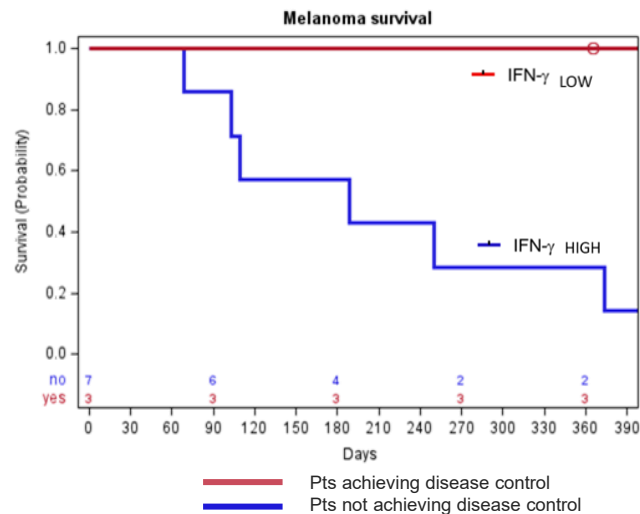
Source: 2) Rannikko et al. (2023) Cell Reports Medicine, 4, 101307, available in open access. See Faron release on December 7th, 2023

Bex – a drug for IFN γ low “cold” (Clever-1 high) tumors

Anti-PD1 treated melanoma patients according to IFN gamma status^{1,2}



Single agent Bex treated melanoma patients according to IFN gamma status³



Faron's *bexmarilimab* aims to tackle the immunosuppressive microenvironment characterized by low IFN- γ , inactive T-Cells and a high amount of Clever-1 positive, immunosuppressive tumor associated macrophages.

Source: 1) 1) Giunta et al. Scientific Reports 2020. 2) Ayers et al. J Clin Invest. 2017 3) MATINS Phase I/II first-in-human trial with *bexmarilimab* in advanced solid tumors

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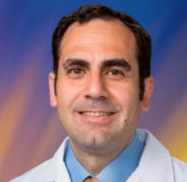
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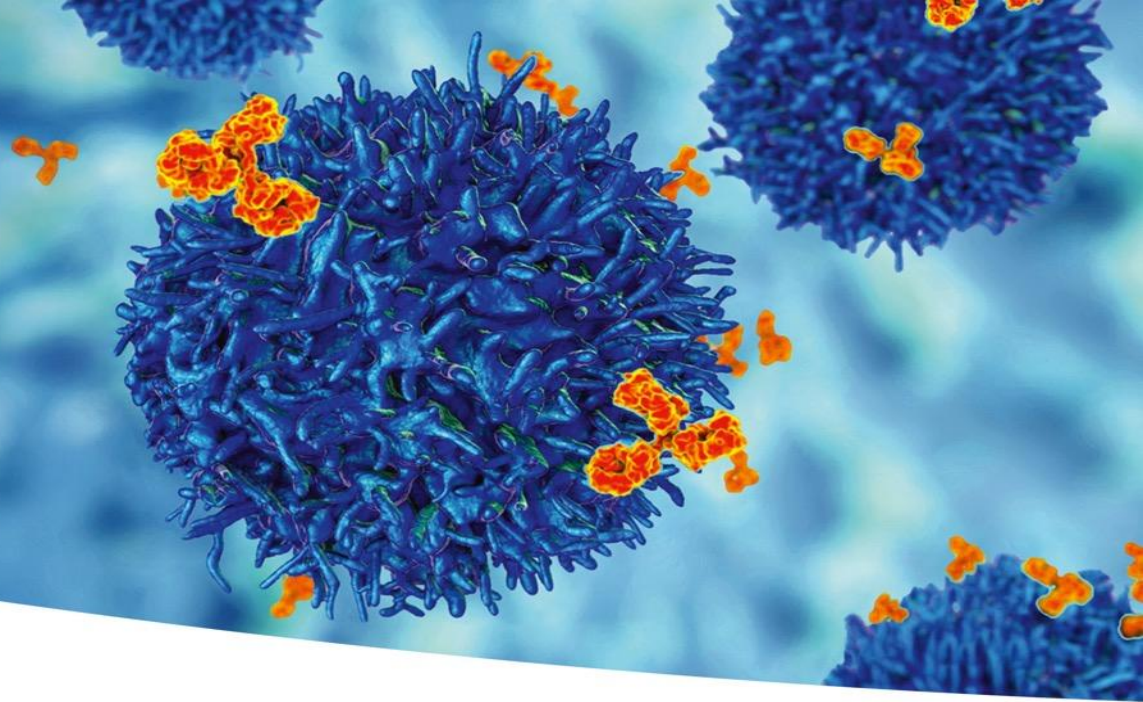
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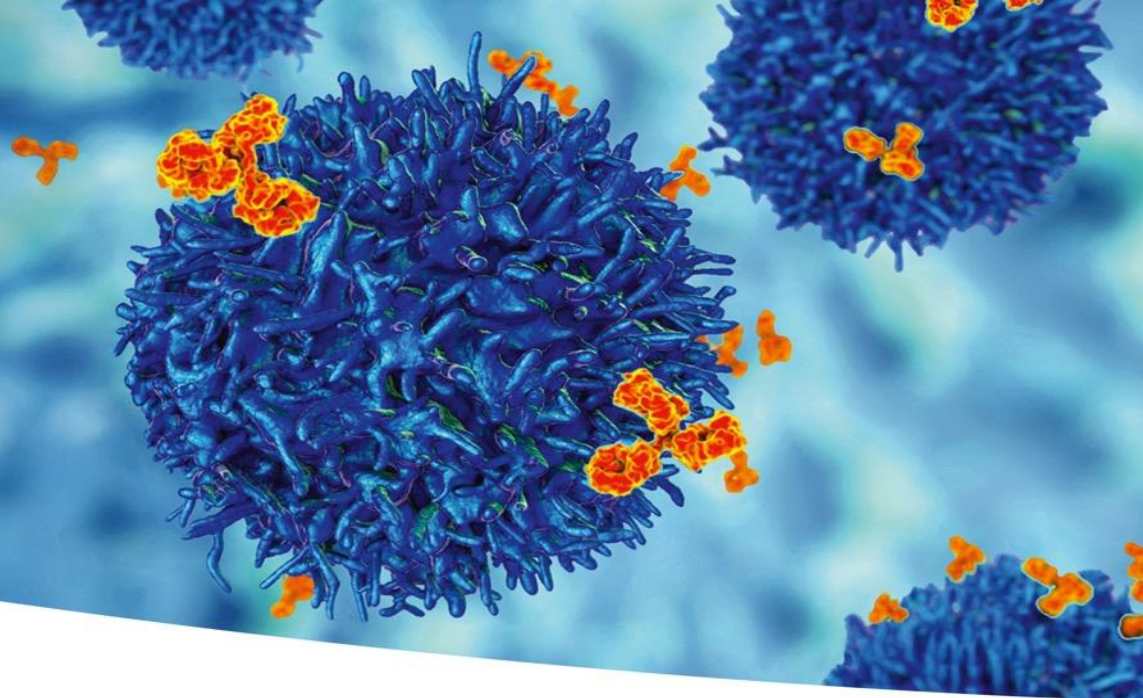
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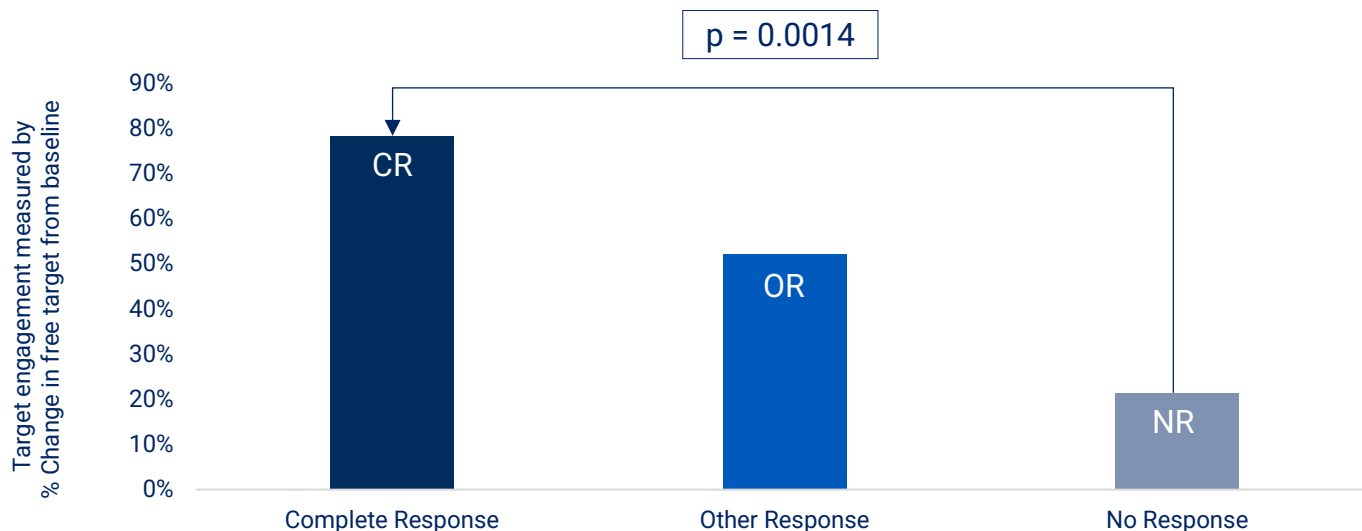
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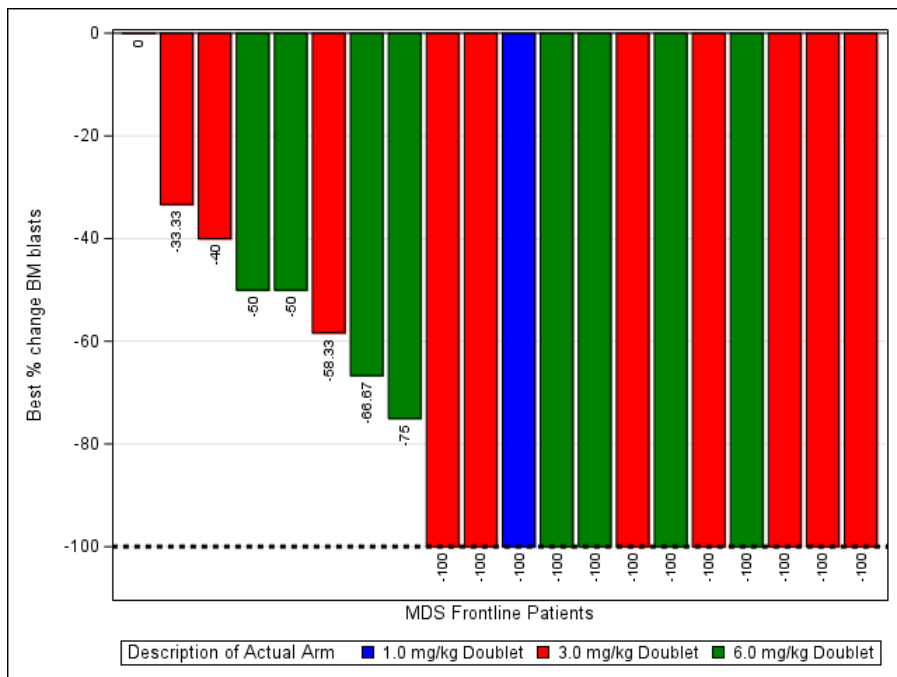
The more CLEVER-1 is inhibited, the deeper the clinical response in combination with Aza in HR MDS patients

Target engagement data with *bexmarilimab* and sClever-1 data shows a clear and statistically significant relationship between target engagement with *bexmarilimab* and response – the more target is engaged, the better the response



Kontro M, Zeidan A, Bono P, et al. Macrophage reprogrammer bexmarilimab plus azacitidine in myelodysplastic syndrome: PK/PD and biomarker results from the Phase I/II BEXMAB Study. *Ann Oncol.* 2025;36 (Suppl): Abstract 1249MO.

Frontline HR MDS Efficacy by Dose



- Majority (7/12; 58%) of the patients with full clearance of BM blasts are from the 3mg/kg BEX dose group
 - 3mg/kg group was NOT enriched in low blast count patients but rather majority had >10% BM blasts at Screening

Best percent change in bone marrow blast percentage during BEX+AZA treatment in treatment-naïve HR MDS patients. Best decrease within aspirate or biopsy reported, cross-comparison allowed in the absence of a result from matching matrix.

Increased toxicity seen with 6 mg/kg

Adverse Events	Total (N=55), n (%)	1mg/kg Doublet (N=4), n (%)	3mg/kg Doublet (N=25), n (%)	6mg/kg Doublet (N=26), n (%)
Total AEs	55 (100)	4 (100)	25 (100)	26 (100)
TEAEs	55 (100)	4 (100)	25 (100)	26 (100)
≥ Grade 3 TEAEs	48 (87)	3 (75)	21 (84)	24 (92)
Serious TEAEs	37 (67)	3 (75)	17 (68)	17 (65)
Bex-Related AEs	27 (49)	2 (50)	11 (44)	14 (54)
TEAEs leading to Drug Withdrawn	10 (18)	0 (0)	3 (12)	7 (27)
≥ Grade 3 Bex-Related AEs	17 (31)	0 (0)	6 (24)	11 (42)
Grade 5 TEAEs	4 (7.3)	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (15)
Immune-Related AEs	1 (2)	0 (0)	1 (4)	0 (0)
Infusion-Related Reaction AEs	5 (9)	1 (25)	2 (8)	2 (8)
Azacitidine Related AEs	41 (75)	4 (100)	17 (68)	20 (77)

Longest survival seen with Bex 3mg/kg

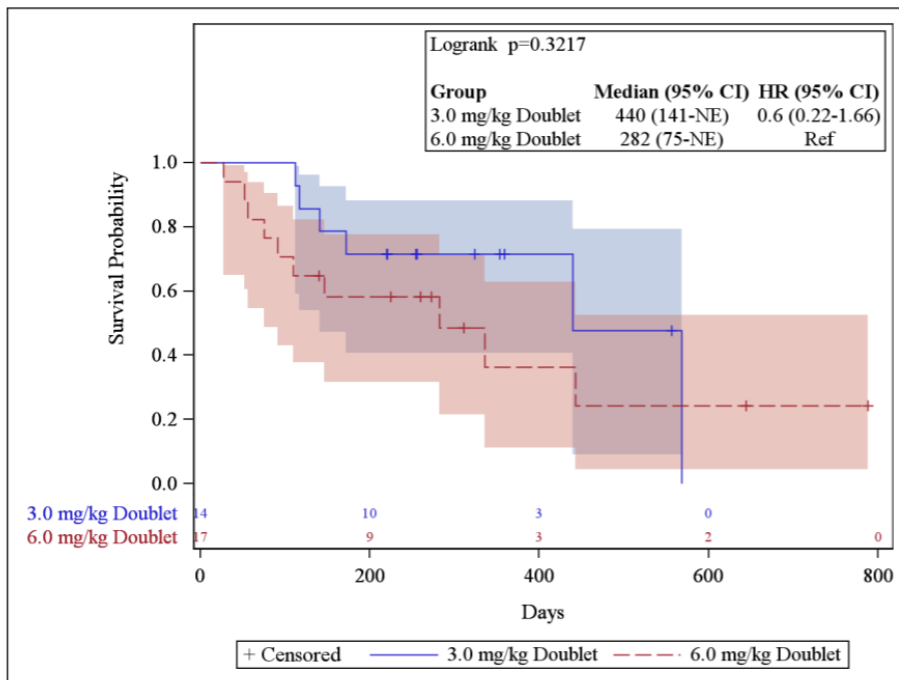
r/r MDS OS data:

1. The overall mOS in this population was 14.5 months:

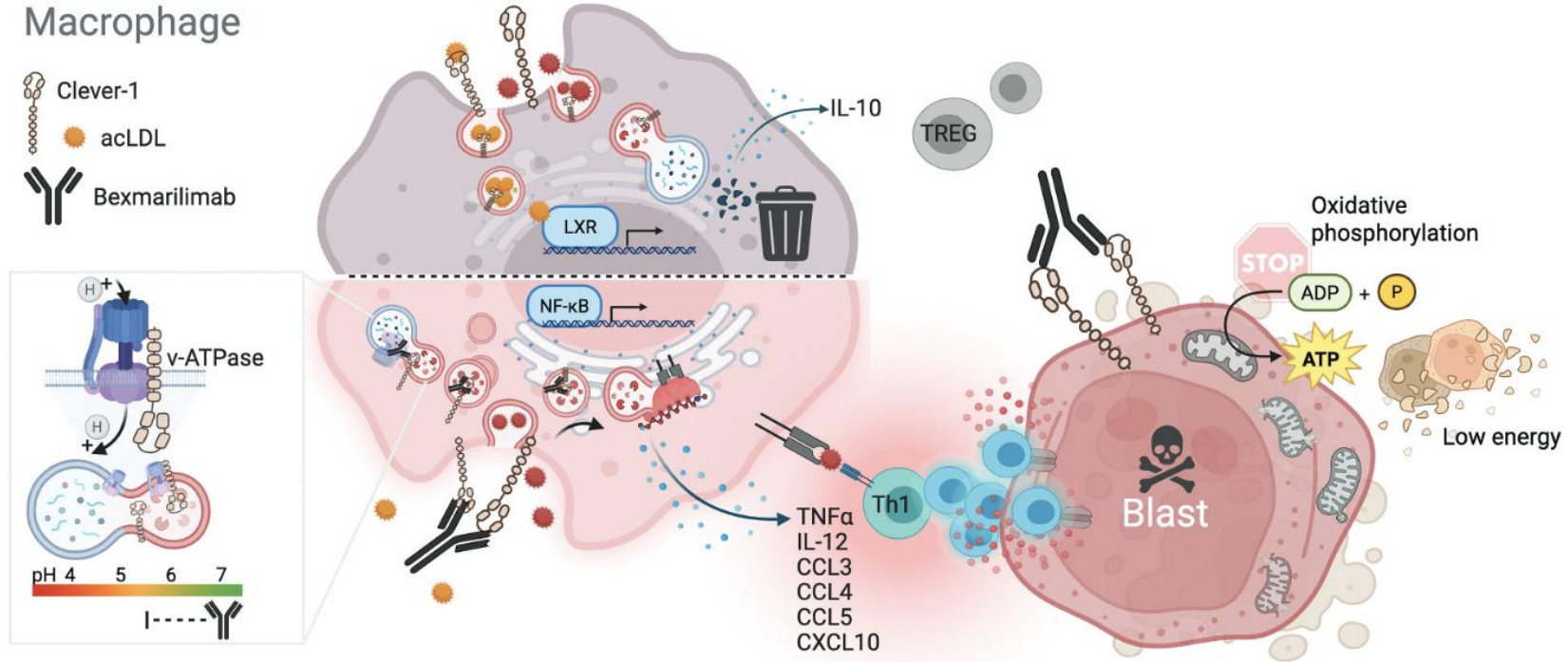
1. 3mg/kg: 440 days – 14.7 months
2. 6mg/kg: 282 days – 9.4 months
3. Expected survival is 4-6 months in this population

The data in mOS in r/r makes two points clear:

1. 3mg/kg BEX confers a survival benefit in severe and difficult to treat patients over and above AZA
2. 6mg/kg and the 3mg/kg have comparable efficacy on other endpoints but better safety may drive the mOS difference.



Bexmarilimab – MoA in more detail



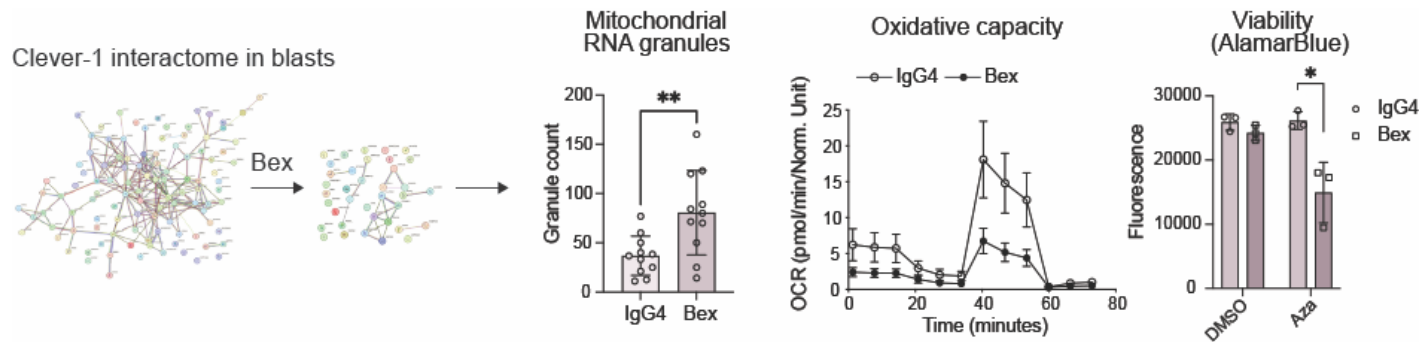
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Bexmarilimab - Mechanism of Action

Bexmarilimab plays a key role in normalizing the bone marrow microenvironment



Sensitizing leukemic stem cells and juvenile blasts to HMAs in the bone marrow niche by interfering with Mitochondrial respiration



Increasing antigen presentation of monocytes and cancer recognition of the immune system



Increasing CD8 T-cell infiltration into the bone marrow for improved cancer killing