



Platform of Targeted Therapeutics to Treat Metastatic Disease

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Executive Summary

Therapeutic Solutions to Address 90% of Cancer Deaths

Problem: 90% of cancer deaths attributed to metastasis, not primary tumors from which they originate

Mission: Focus on treating Metastasis, Cancers that spread to other parts of the body

TransCode Discovery:

Metastatic tumor cells cannot survive without the overexpression of a specific non-coding RNA molecule, microRNA-10b, which regulates the viability of metastatic tumor cells.

microRNA-10b over-expression is validated in more than 18 different tumor types.

Inhibiting microRNA-10b → death of metastatic tumor cells → treating metastasis

TransCode has found a way to inactivate microRNA-10b resulting in the complete regression of established metastases with no recurrence and no toxicity.

TransCode has developed a portfolio of targeted therapeutics addressing multiple tumor types

TTX-MC138, TransCode's patented lead therapeutic, licensed from Massachusetts General Hospital, has achieved proof of concept both *in vitro* and *in vivo*. *In addition*, TransCode has also developed, patented and licensed a companion Biomarker test for non-invasive detection of microRNA activity.

Team

Board of Directors

- Michael Dudley, Co-Founder, CEO
- Thomas Fitzgerald, MBA, CFO
- Philippe Calais, PhD, Former CEO of Isarna Therapeutics B.V.

Management Team

- Michael Dudley, CEO
- Thomas Fitzgerald, MBA, CFO
- Oliver Steinbach, PhD, VP R&D*
- Zdravka Medarova, PhD, Co-Founder, Drug Discovery*
- Alan Freidman, Investor Relations

(* Identified individuals to be phased in once capitalized)

Corporate/Scientific Advisors

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- Richard Peters, MD, PhD, President/CEO/Director, Merrimack Pharmaceuticals
- Jack Henneman, JD, Former CFO, NewLink Genetics
- Keith Flaherty, MD, Director of Termeer Center for Targeted Therapy, MGH Cancer Center
- Raghu Kalluri, MD, PhD, MD Anderson Cancer Center
- George Calin, MD, PhD, MD Anderson Cancer Center
- Carlo Croce, MD, Ohio State University Cancer Center
- Dmitry Samarsky, PhD, CTO, Sirnaomics
- Peter Ordentlich, PhD, CSO and Founder, Syndax
- Betsabeh Madani, MBA, MEng, EIR, Innovation Blvd.

Intellectual Property

Lead Therapeutic - *Therapeutic Nanoparticles and Methods of Use Thereof*

- Composition of Matter for TTX-MC138 (Patent expected to issue Q1 2019). Expires 2032
- Method Patent for treating metastatic breast cancer (Issued 4/17). Expires 2032

Biomarker - *miRNA Profiling Compositions and Methods of Use*

- Nanosensor for non-invasive detection of microRNA activity (Issued 10/2/18). Expires 2034

Freedom to Operate (FTO)

- FTO completed on IP for TTX-MC138 by Goodwin Law LLP

IP License

- Exclusive worldwide license with MGH signed November 22, 2018

In 2018, cancer will be responsible for 9.6 million* deaths globally and 90% are attributed to metastasis

Global costs of Metastatic Cancer therapeutics exceed 50% of all Cancer costs with \$54.11 billion in 2017 - anticipated to reach \$98.24 billion by 2025.**

Metastasis Treatments:

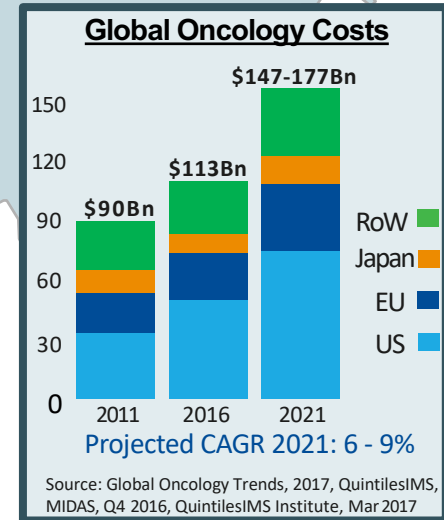
Limited Options
Poor survival rates***

Annual Cancer Deaths*

Global: 9.6M in 2018
US: 0.61M in 2018

Cancer Deaths in 2018: *

Lung 1.76M
Colorectal 0.86M
Stomach 0.78M
Liver 0.78M
Breast 0.63M



*** 72 cancer therapies approved from 2002-2014 led to 2.1 months average extended life expectancy

* World Health Organization: <http://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/cancer>

**IQVIA Institute for Human Data Science

Identifying a Metastasis Target

Association of microRNA-10b and metastasis (spread of cancer) is extensively validated*

Across 18 > tumor types, over 120 studies (including a number of meta analysis publications) on microRNA-10b and metastasis have been published

Contents lists available at ScienceDirect
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Review
MicroRNA-10b and the clinical outcomes of various cancers: A systematic review and meta-analysis
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SCIENTIFIC REPORTS

OPEN The association between abnormal microRNA-10b expression and cancer risk: a meta-analysis

SUBJECT AREAS:
 CANCER PREVENTION
 RISK FACTORS

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REVIEW ARTICLE WILEY *Journal of Cellular Physiology*

MicroRNA-10b expression predicts long-term survival in patients with solid tumor

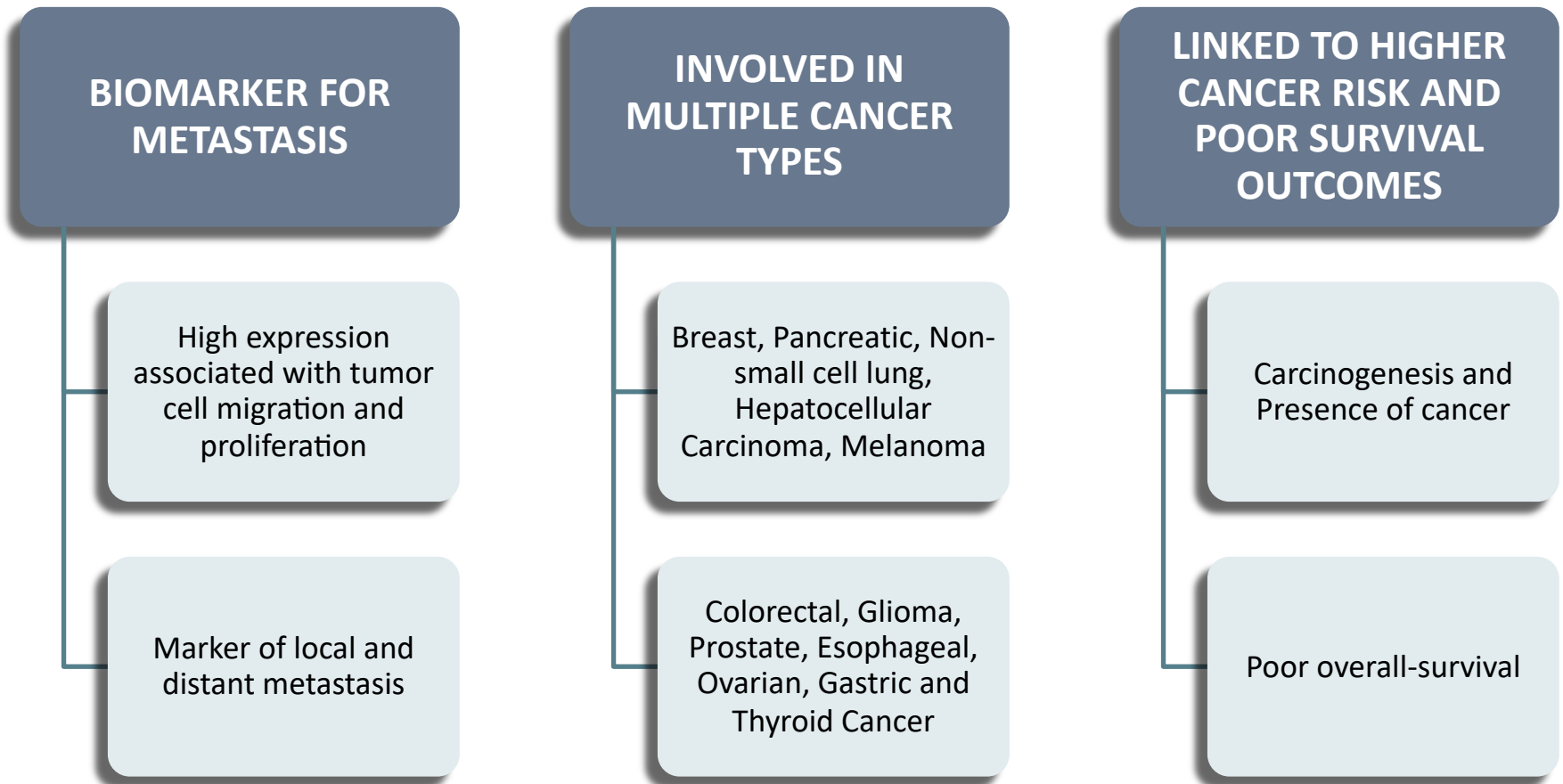
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* See Appendix slides for a list of scientific references

Why microRNA-10b? A Unique Biomarker

4 separate meta-analysis studies involving 7,237 patients showed microRNA-10b:

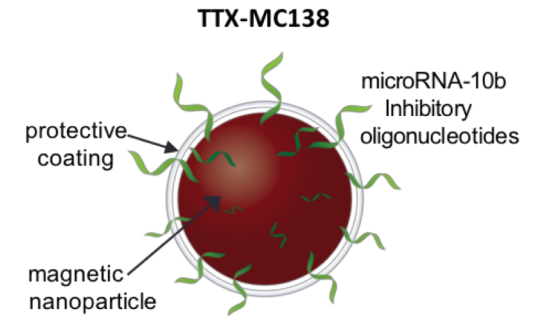


Solution: Proprietary Targeted Solution

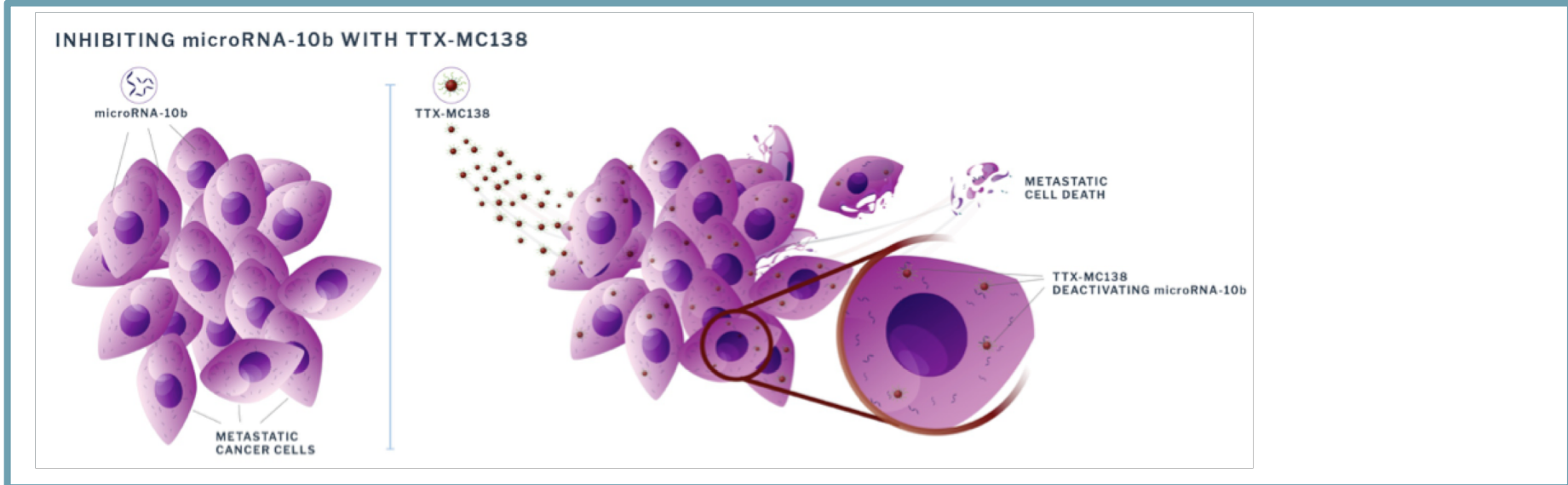
Lead Therapeutic Candidate: TTX-MC138

IONP + Inhibitory Oligonucleotide sequenced to miRNA-10b

- ✓ Eliminates metastasis by inhibiting microRNA-10b
- ✓ Inhibition results in death of metastatic tumor cells
- ✓ Proven delivery system optimized for designated target
- ✓ Image guided delivery key competitive advantage
- ✓ Unique capability to accumulate at metastatic sites



TTX-MC138: Mechanism of Action: Eliminates metastasis by inhibiting microRNA-10b



Delivery System Comparison

| Company | Delivery system | Particle size | Zeta Potential* +0-60 scale | Toxicity potential Scale 0-10 | Immunogenicity potential Scale 0-10 | LNAs | Comments |
|------------------------|--|---------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|------|--|
| TransCode Therapeutics | Iron oxide nanoparticles (Image capable) | 20 nm | +50 mV | 0-2 | 0-2 | Yes | Dextran coating = rapid uptake |
| MiRNA | Lipid nanoparticles | 120 nm | +20 mV | 8-10 | 8-10 | No | Patient deaths in clinic due to high toxicity |
| Miragen | Modified oligonucleotides | NA | - | 0-2 | 0-2 | Yes | Off target effects due to lack of a carrier for delivery |
| Regulus Therapeutics | GalNAc-conjugation; Lipid nanoparticles | 100 nm | +20 mV | 8-10 | 8-10 | No | Cancelled clinical due to high toxicity |
| Arcturus Therapeutics | LUNAR® Lipid nanoparticle | 40-50 nm | neutral | unknown | unknown | No | None |
| Santaris (Roche) | Modified oligonucleotides | NA | - | 2-4 due to targeting the liver | 2-4 | Yes | Well tolerated in clinical trials |

* Higher value associated with greater stability in solution

Proof of Concept

Pre-Clinical POC: TTX-MC138

Stage II/III Metastatic Triple-Negative Breast Cancer, Mouse Model

- TTX-MC138 superior to control + low-dose doxorubicin*
- Eliminates pre-existing **local** metastases

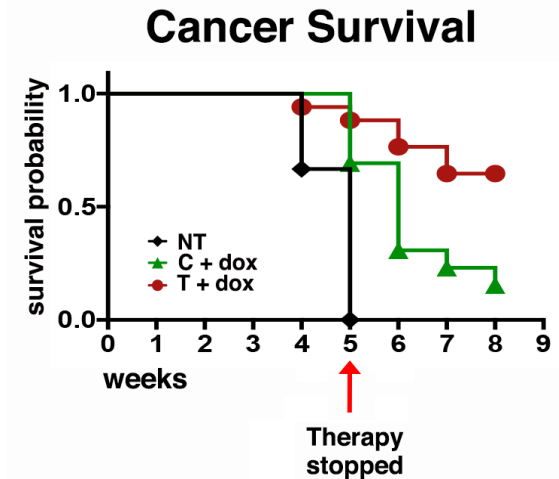
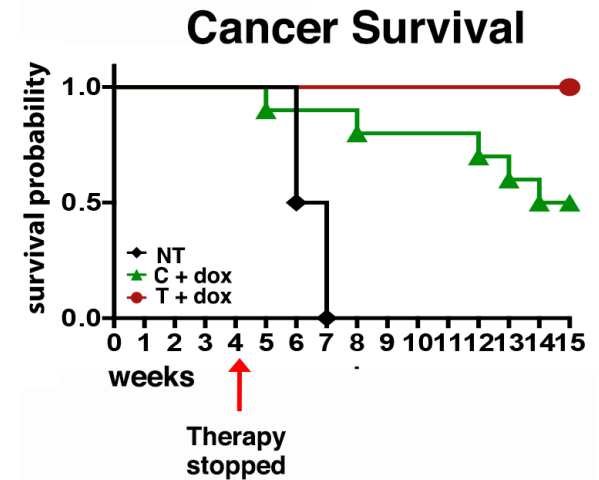
After metastases were eliminated, the therapy was stopped in both models and there was no recurrence or toxicity

Stage IV Metastatic Triple-Negative Breast Cancer, Mouse Model

- TTX-MC138 superior to control + low-dose doxorubicin*
- Eliminates pre-existing **distant** metastases

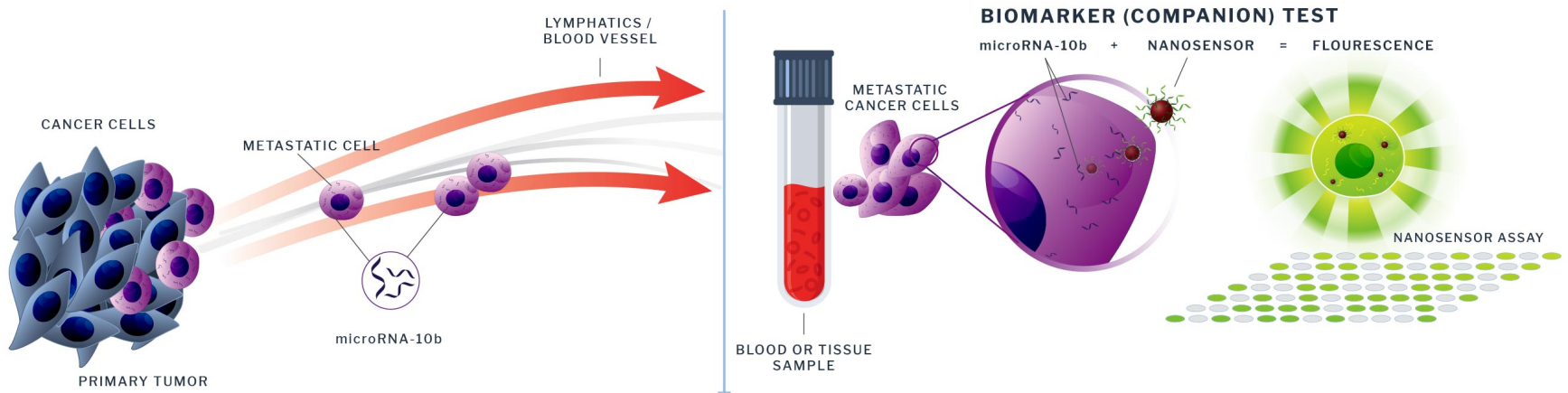
NT - No therapy
 C - Control (Irrelevant oligo)
 T - TTX-MC138
 dox - low-dose doxorubicin

**Doxorubicin was used to slow down cell division in tumor cells. In pre-clinical studies that utilize aggressive metastatic tumor models, the use of doxorubicin was necessary to allow TTX-MC138 to fully inhibit microRNA-10b. Because metastatic growth is slower in humans, the use of a cytostatic such as doxorubicin will likely be unnecessary, and TTX-MC138 would be administered as a monotherapy.*



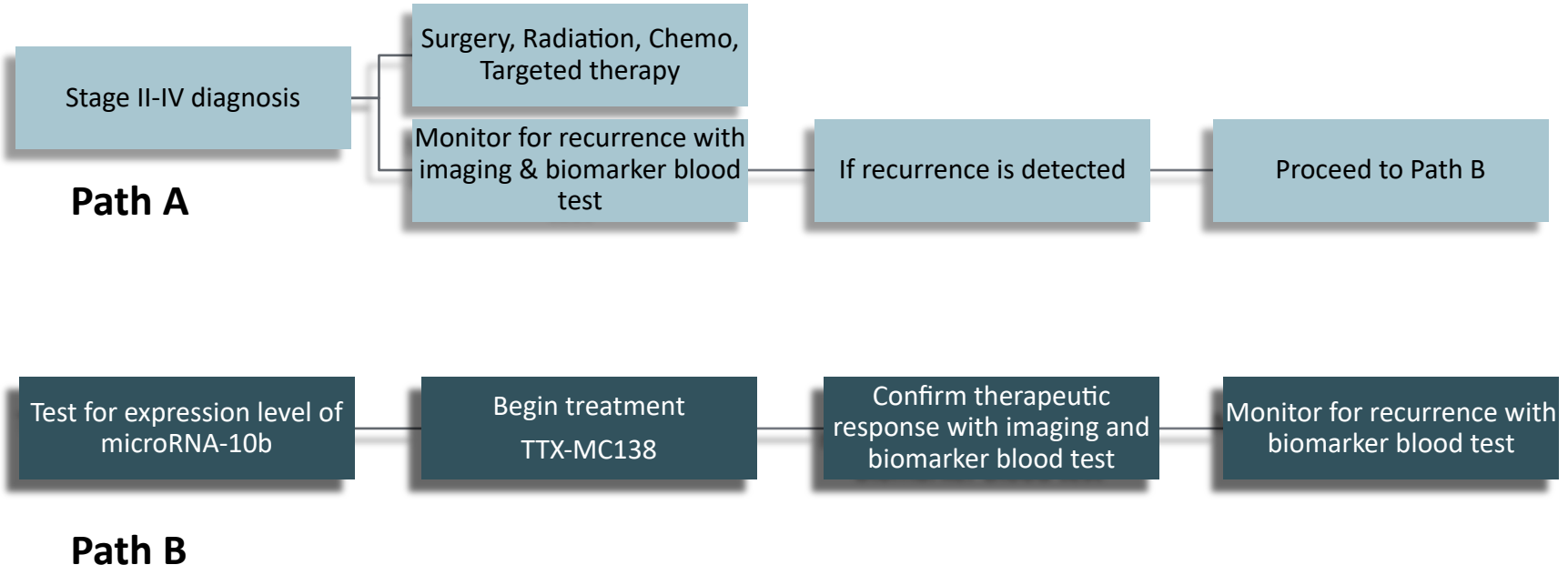
Biomarker Test

- TransCode's predictive biomarker nanosensor has the unique capability of microRNA profiling in intact live cells and tissues.
- The fluorescent read-out generated by the nanosensor is highly specific and has nanomolar sensitivity.



Biomarker Test Utility

Early detection reduces mortality in Cancer patients. Expression of microRNA-10b can be used as a diagnostic biomarker to detect the presence of metastasis as well as a biomarker to predict overall survival and disease-free survival in cancer. TransCode has patented a biomarker test to measure the expression of any microRNA in patients.



Therapeutic Pipeline*

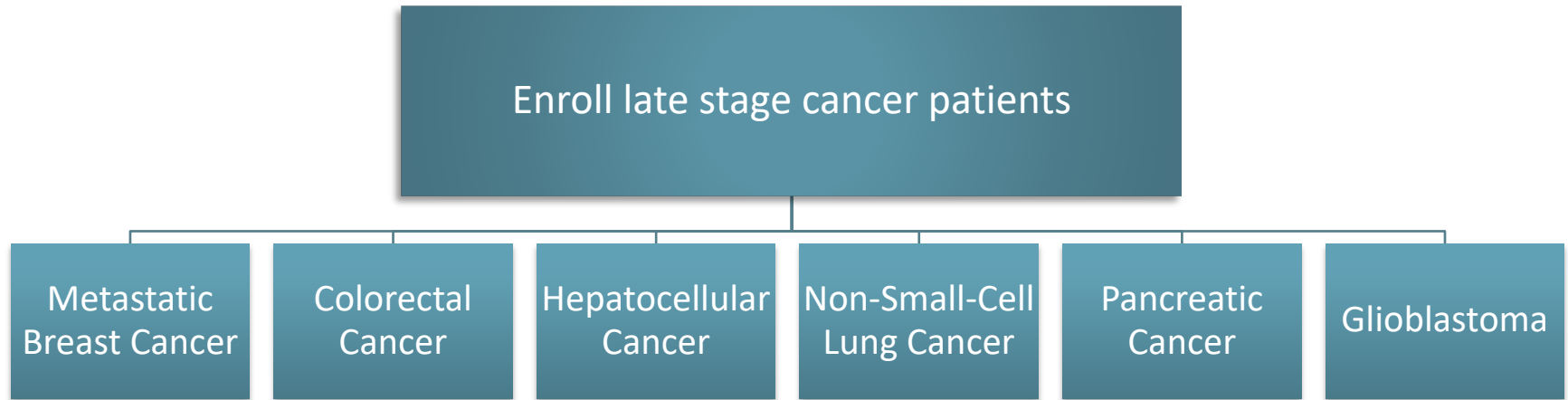
| Therapeutic | Target | Discovery | <i>In vitro</i> ** | Preclinical | Phase II/III |
|------------------|---------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|
| TTX-MC138 | miR-10b | MTNBC | | | |
| | miR-10b | Colorectal cancer | | | |
| | miR-10b | NSCL cancer | | | |
| | miR-10b | Pancreatic cancer*** | | | |
| | miR-10b | Glioblastoma** | | | |
| | miR-10b | Hepatocellular cancer*** | | | |
| Lin28b Inhibitor | Lin28b | Pancreatic cancer*** | | | |
| anti-miR-xxx | miR-xxx | Other cancer types | | | |
| siRNA | PD-L1 | Pancreatic Cancer*** | | | |

*Pipeline currently in development – selected therapeutics and targets may change

** TTX-MC138 demonstrated therapeutic efficacy *in vitro* in 77% of 624 human tumor cell lines representing the spectrum of metastatic and non-metastatic cancers. *PLOS ONE* | <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0201046> July 2018

***Cancer types classified as orphan diseases

Clinical POC Strategy: Adaptive Trial Design



- PhIIa trial - Single IND
- Up to 6 different tumor types
- Patients with cancer types with known microRNA-10b over-expression
- Enroll additional patients in the arm showing the greatest success
- Enable continuation from PhIIa – to PhIII

Therapeutic Programs – Projected Milestones

(Subject to Pre-IND meeting with FDA)

| Program | | Timeline | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------|--------------------|------------------------------|------|-----|--|
| Therapeutic | Cancer Type | 2019 | 2020 | | 2021 | | 2022 | | |
| TTX-MC138 | MTNBC | IND Enabling | FDA Review | File IND | Patient Enrollment | Dose 1 st Patient | POC | M&A | |
| | Colorectal | IND Enabling | FDA Review | File IND | Patient Enrollment | Dose 1 st Patient | POC | M&A | |
| | NSCL | IND Enabling | FDA Review | File IND | Patient Enrollment | Dose 1 st Patient | POC | M&A | |
| | Pancreatic | IND Enabling | FDA Review | File IND | Patient Enrollment | Dose 1 st Patient | POC | M&A | |
| | Glioblastoma | IND Enabling | FDA Review | File IND | Patient Enrollment | Dose 1 st Patient | POC | M&A | |
| | Hepatocellular | IND Enabling | FDA Review | File IND | Patient Enrollment | Dose 1 st Patient | POC | M&A | |
| Lin28b Inhibitor* | Pancreatic | License* | IND Enabling | File IND | Patient Enrollment | Dose 1 st Patient | POC | M&A | |
| siRNA* | Pancreatic | License* | IND Enabling | File IND | Patient Enrollment | Dose 1 st Patient | POC | M&A | |

License*
IND Enabling
FDA Review
File IND
Patient Enrollment
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POC
M&A

* License in process

Funding

Investment to date

- **\$550,000**
 - MGH License
 - New Website
 - Patent Expenses
 - Marketing Communications
 - Other Legal expenses
- **Grants to date \$5.3M***
 - Therapeutic development
 - Biomarker development
 - Preclinical POC

*NIH Grants to researchers while at MGH

Seed Round

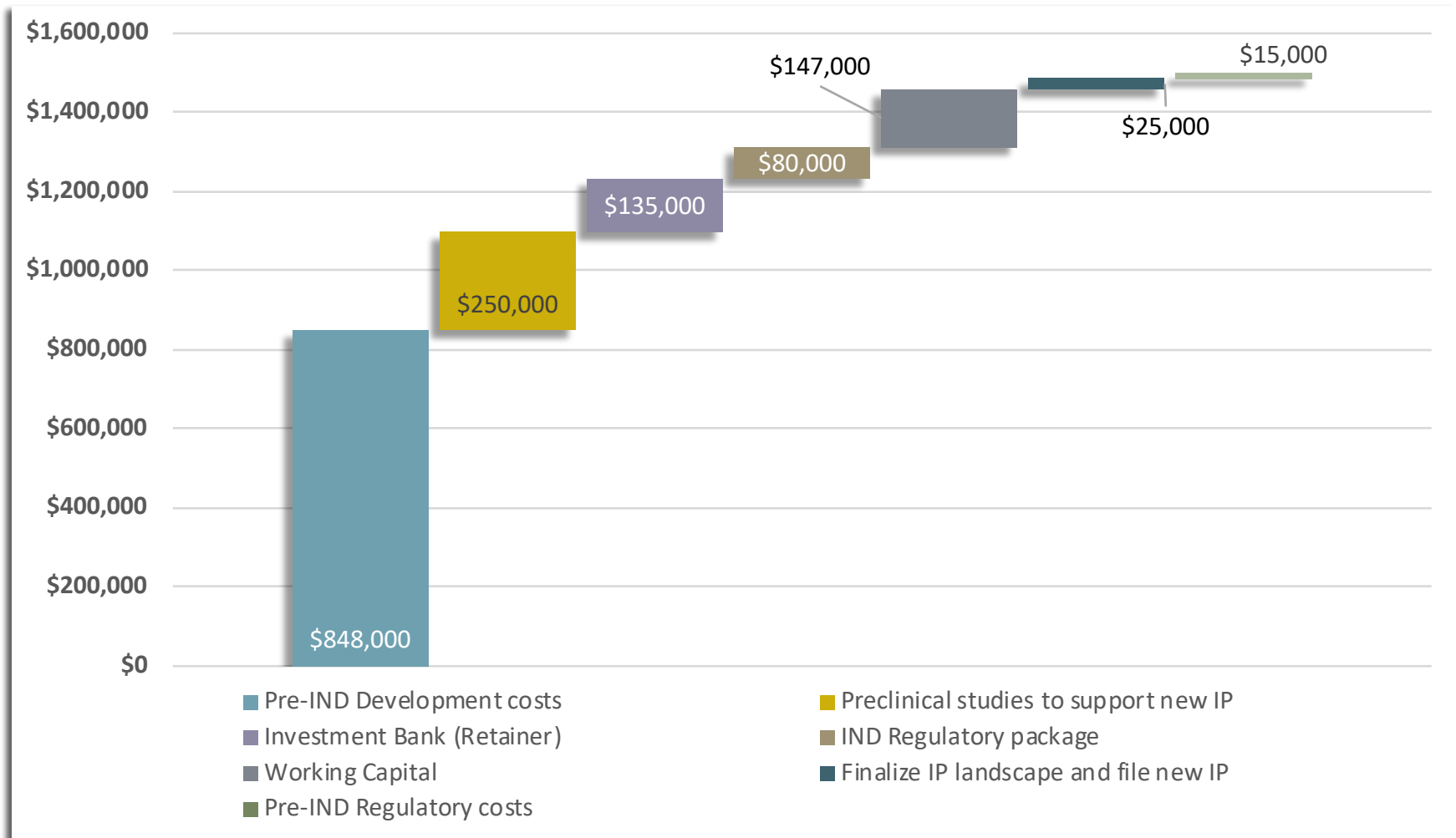
- **Up to \$1.5M Convertible note**
- **Converts to Series A valuation**
 - Pre-IND development costs
 - Develop and file new intellectual property
 - Conduct preclinical studies supporting new IP
 - Retain Investment Bank
 - Pre-IND meeting with FDA
 - IND Regulatory package

Series A Investment Round

- **Investment Bank - Outcome Capital****
- **\$36M Series A Preferred**
 - Hire management team
 - IND Enabling Studies - TTX-MC138
 - File IND
 - Phase IIa clinical trial
 - Achieve clinical POC
 - Expand IP portfolio
 - In-license other microRNA assets

** www.outcomecapital.com

Seed Round Use of Proceeds



Path to Liquidity

