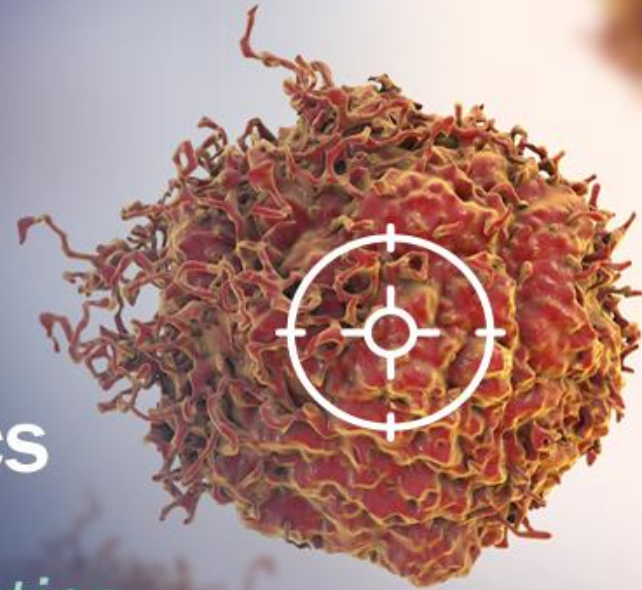


# Defeating Metastatic Disease Through a Revolutionary Platform of Targeted Therapeutics

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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

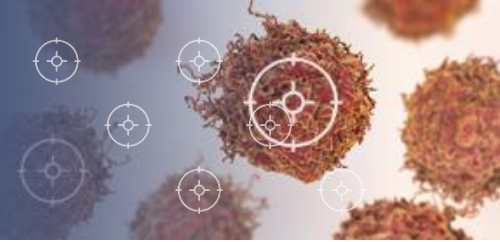
Inhibiting microRNA-10b → death of metastatic tumor cells → treating metastasis

TransCode has found a way to inactivate microRNA-10b in animal studies, resulting in 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



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# Intellectual Property

- Lead Therapeutic—*Therapeutic Nanoparticles and Methods of Use Thereof*
  - Composition of Matter for TTX-MC138 (Patent expected to issue Q1 2019).  
Expires 2031
  - Method Patent for treating metastatic breast cancer (Issued 4/17).  
Expires 2031
- Biomarker—*miRNA Profiling Compositions and Methods of Use*
  - Nanosensor for non-invasive detection of microRNA activity (Issued 10/2/18).  
Expires 2033
- 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



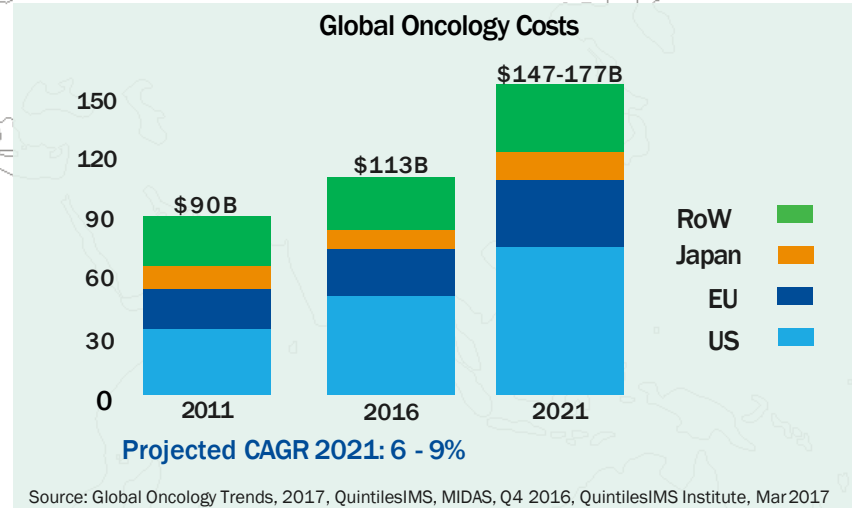
# In 2018, Cancer Will Be Responsible for 9.6 Million\* Deaths Globally and 90% Are Attributed to Metastasis

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

**Metastasis Treatments:**  
Limited Options  
Poor survival rates\*\*\*

**Annual Cancer Deaths\***  
Global: 9.6M in 2018  
U.S.: 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



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Review

**MicroRNA-10b and the clinical outcomes of various cancers: A systematic review and meta-analysis**

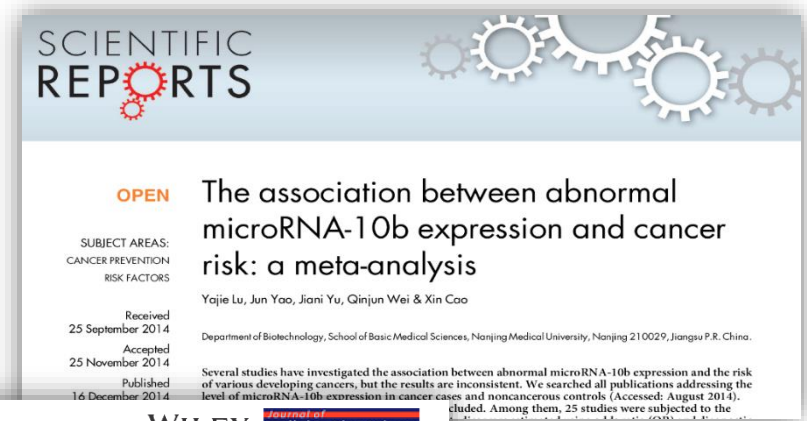
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**OPEN** The association between abnormal microRNA-10b expression and cancer risk: a meta-analysis

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SUBJECT AREAS: CANCER PREVENTION, RISK FACTORS

Several studies have investigated the association between abnormal microRNA-10b expression and the risk of various developing cancers, but the results are inconsistent. We searched all publications addressing the level of microRNA-10b expression in cancer cases and noncancerous controls (Accessed: August 2014). Among them, 25 studies were subjected to the

WILEY *Journal of Cellular Physiology*

**REVIEW ARTICLE**

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

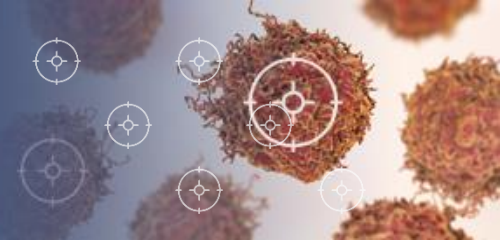
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**Abstract**

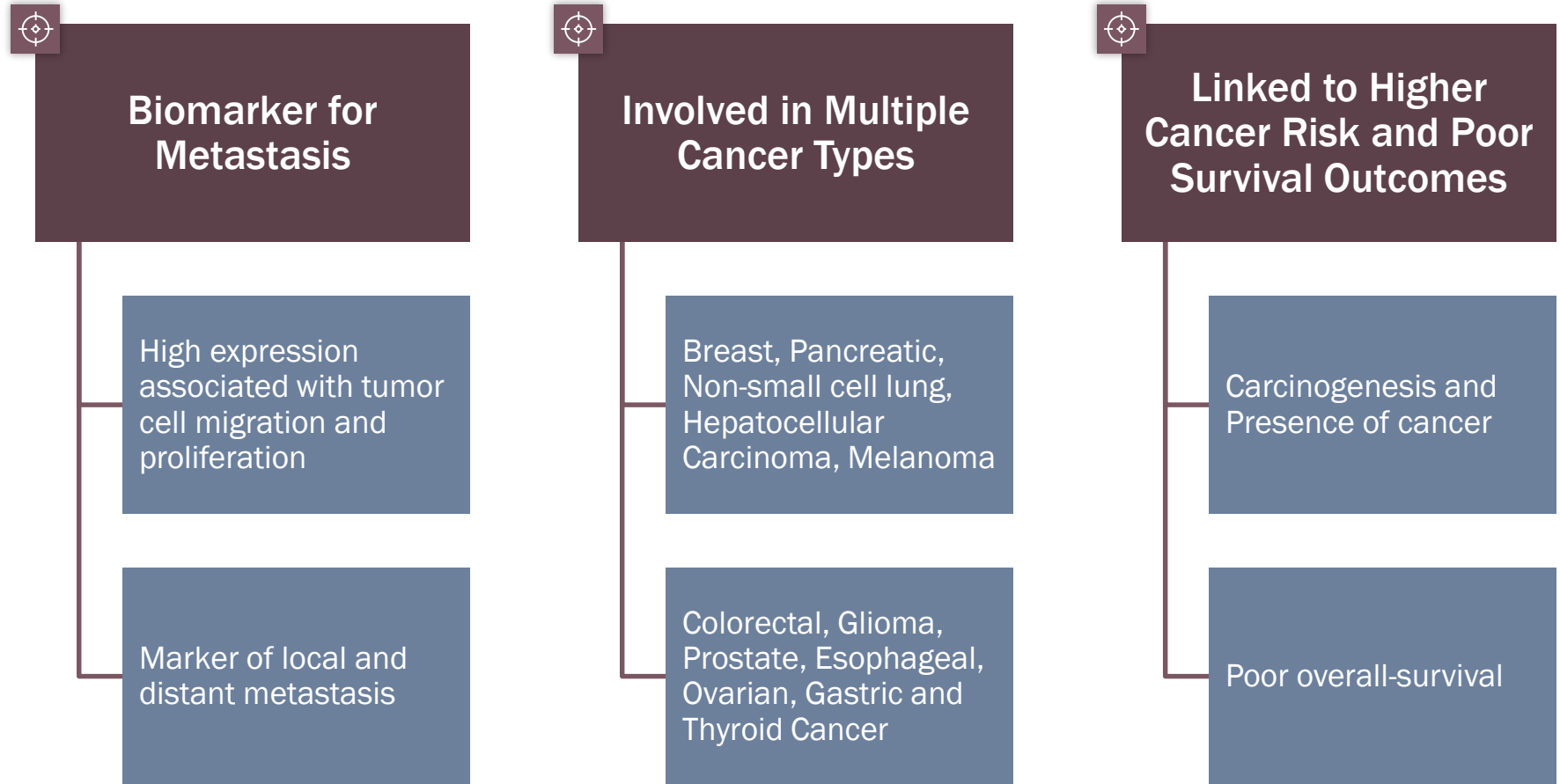
\*See Appendix slides for a list of scientific references





# Why microRNA-10b? A Unique Biomarker

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

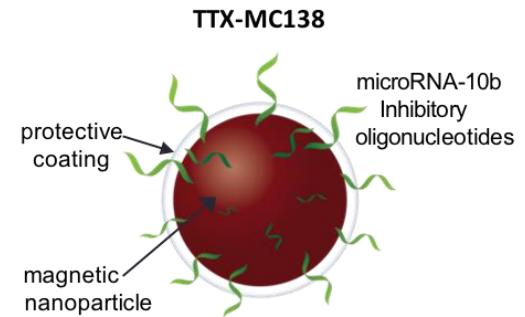


# Solution: Proprietary Targeted Solution

## Lead Therapeutic Candidate: TTX-MC138

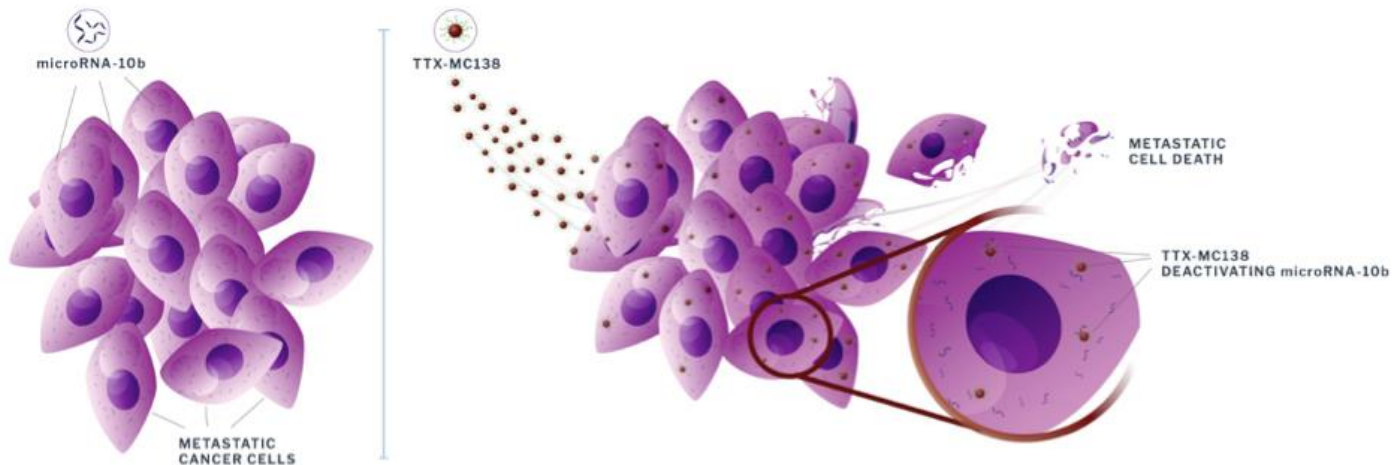
### IONP + Inhibitory Oligonucleotide sequenced to miRNA-10b

- ✓ 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

### INHIBITING microRNA-10b WITH TTX-MC138



# 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

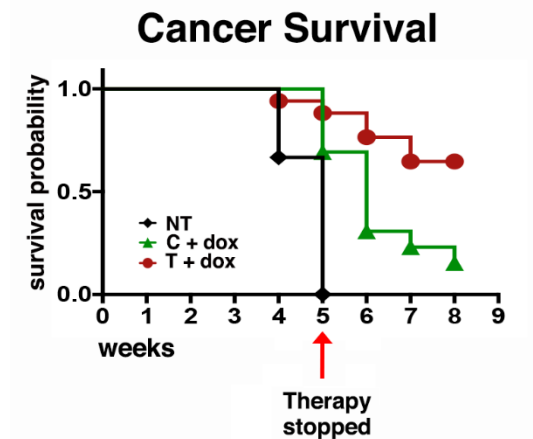
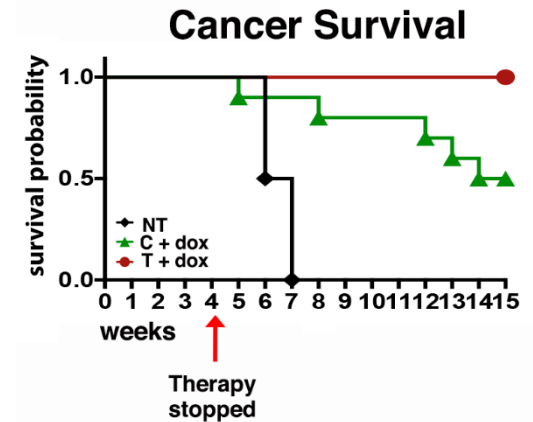
*After metastases were eliminated, the therapy was stopped in both models and there was no recurrence or toxicity*

### Stage IV Metastatic Triple-Negative Breast Cancer, Mouse Model

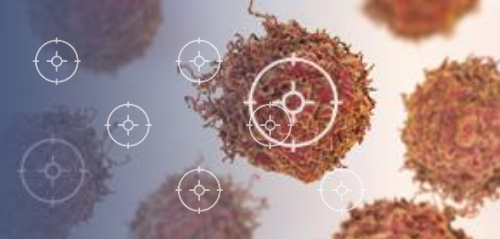
- TTX-MC138 superior to control + low-dose doxorubicin\*
- Eliminates pre-existing *distant* metastases

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.



# 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***			

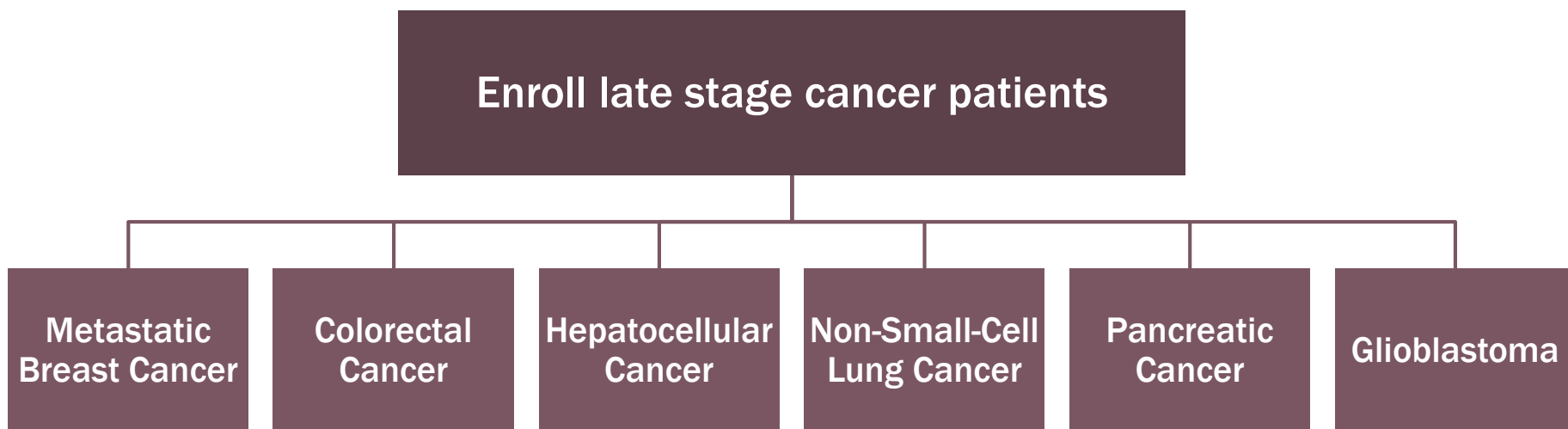
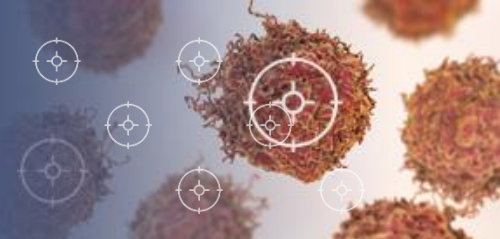
\*Pipeline currently in development—selected therapeutics and targets may change

\*\*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

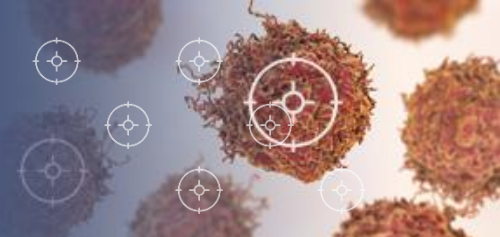


- PhIIa trial—Single IND
- Up to 6 different tumor types
- Patients with cancer types with known microRNA—10b over-expression
- Enroll additional patients in the arm showing the greatest success
- Enable continuation from PhIIa—to PhIII

*No patients have been enrolled yet and trials need to be designed first.*

# Therapeutic Programs—Projected Milestones

(Subject to Pre-IND meeting with FDA)



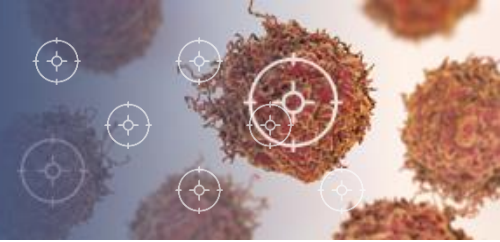
Program		Timeline							
Therapeutic	Cancer Type	2019	2020		2021		2022		
TTX-MC138	MTNBC	IND Enabling	FDA Review	File IND	Patient Enrollment	Dose 1 <sup>st</sup> Patient	POC	NDA	
	Colorectal	IND Enabling	FDA Review	File IND	Patient Enrollment	Dose 1 <sup>st</sup> Patient	POC	NDA	
	NSCL	IND Enabling	FDA Review	File IND	Patient Enrollment	Dose 1 <sup>st</sup> Patient	POC	NDA	
	Pancreatic	IND Enabling	FDA Review	File IND	Patient Enrollment	Dose 1 <sup>st</sup> Patient	POC	NDA	
	Glioblastoma	IND Enabling	FDA Review	File IND	Patient Enrollment	Dose 1 <sup>st</sup> Patient	POC	NDA	
	Hepatocellular	IND Enabling	FDA Review	File IND	Patient Enrollment	Dose 1 <sup>st</sup> Patient	POC	NDA	
Lin28b Inhibitor*	Pancreatic	License*	IND Enabling	File IND	Patient Enrollment	Dose 1 <sup>st</sup> Patient	POC	NDA	
siRNA*	Pancreatic	License*	IND Enabling	File IND	Patient Enrollment	Dose 1 <sup>st</sup> Patient	POC	NDA	

License\*
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NDA

\*License in process



# Funding



## Investment to Date

### \$550,000 Seed

- MGH License
- New Website
- Marketing Communications
- Legal expenses

### Grants to date \$5.3M\*

- Therapeutic development
- Biomarker development
- Preclinical POC

## Current Investment Round

### \$36M Series A Preferred

- Hire management team
- IND Enabling Studies for TTX-MC138
- File IND
- Phase IIa clinical trial
- Achieve clinical POC
- Expand IP portfolio
- In-license other microRNA assets
- NDA

## Exit Strategy

- IPO
- Acquisition—Strategic Partner
  - Leading Oncology companies—Roche, BMS, Novartis, Pfizer, Abbvie, Merck and others
  - MicroRNA companies—Alnylam, Ionis Pharma

\*NIH Grants to researchers while at MGH

# Path to Liquidity

