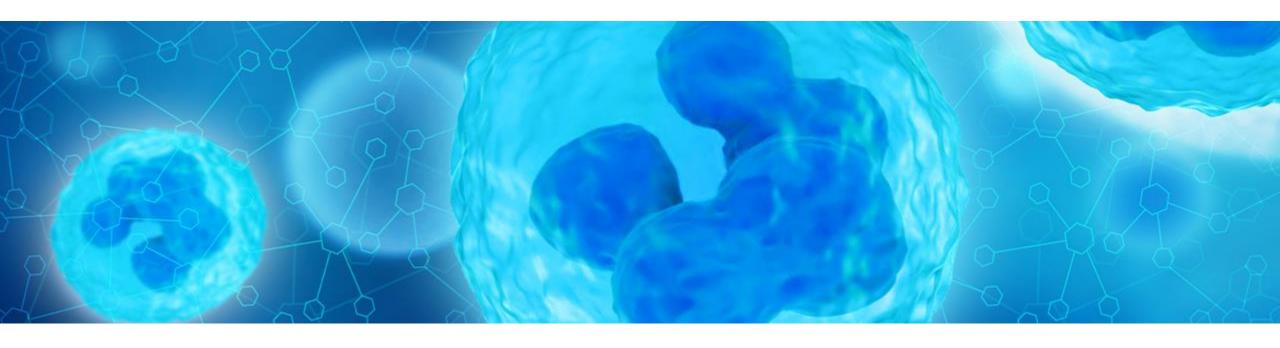
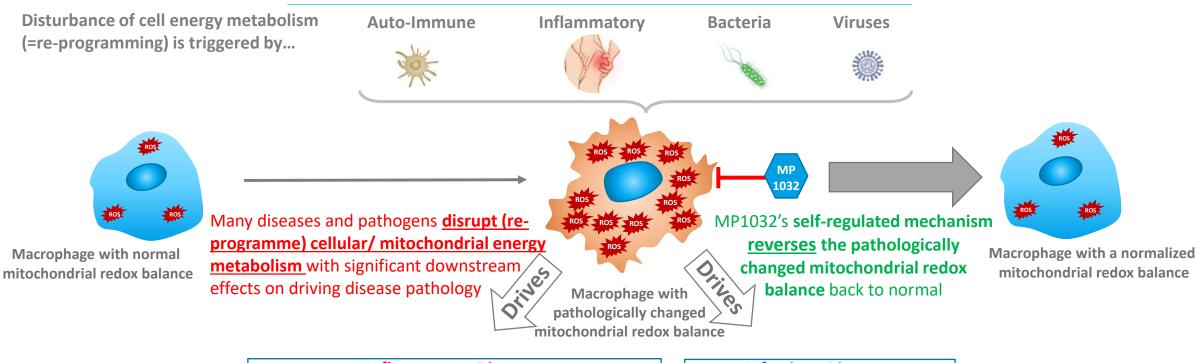
# **MetrioPharm**



Platform of Immunomodulators Targeting the Mitochondrial Metabolism in Macrophages for Treatment of Inflammatory & Infectious Diseases

# MP1032 Modulates the Mitochondrial Energy Metabolism of Macrophages By a First-in-Class Self-regulating Drug Mechanism

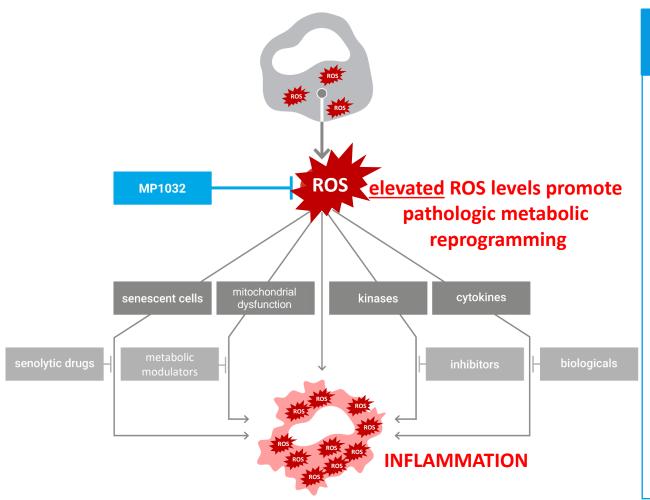


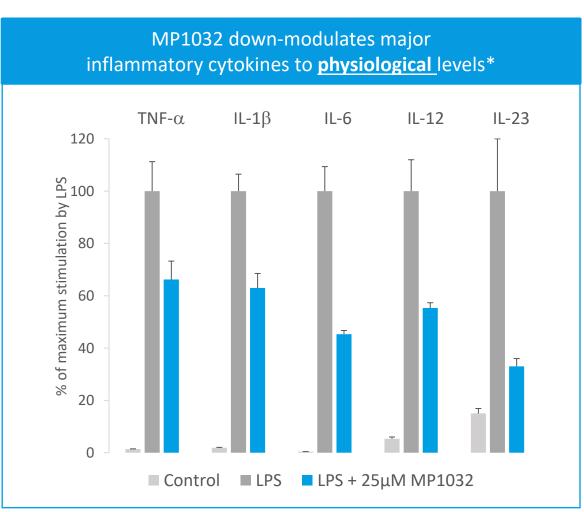


The redox balance of (immune) cells is a key signaling pathway which affects energy metabolism, inflammatory pathways (NFkB, Nrf2), pathogen defense mechanisms and tumor microenvironment. Redox balance is disturbed by metabolic re-programming, which in turn drives disease pathology. MP1032 is a small-molecule metabolic modulator which re-balances cellular redox state.



# MP1032 Acts <u>Upstream</u> of Multiple Inflammatory Pathways Thereby Enhancing the Efficacy of Other Anti-Inflammatory Therapeutics



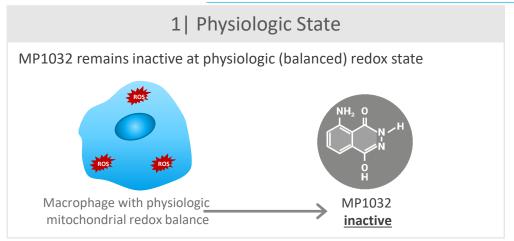


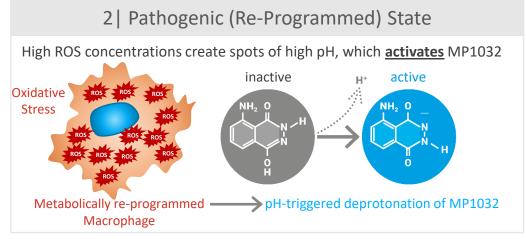


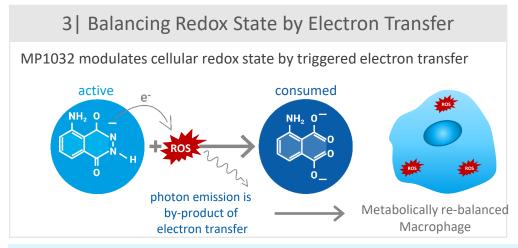
<sup>\*</sup> in primary mouse macrophages LPS: lipopolysaccharides

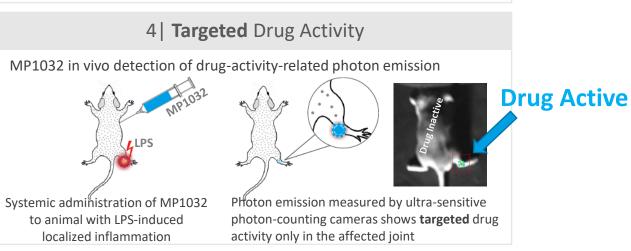
# First-In-Class Self-Regulated Molecular Mechanism of Action

MP1032 is only Activated by Elevated ROS Concentrations in Immune Cells









Due to its molecular structure, MP1032 is <u>only activated by elevated ROS levels</u> (=oxidative stress) in <u>pathologically metabolically reprogrammed cells</u>. MP1032 does <u>not</u> interfere with the <u>normal</u> redox balance that is <u>essential</u> for physiological cell signaling and cell metabolism. This self-regulated activation mechanism limits the redox modulatory effect of MP1032 exclusively to (immune) cells under oxidative stress. Once the cellular redox balance is restored, the activation of additional drug molecules <u>stops</u> and the drug activity <u>ceases</u>. This auto-regulatory activation mechanism ensures that the <u>modulatory activity of the drug stops</u> when physiological redox balance is achieved, <u>without</u> overshooting into reductive stress.



# MP1032 Pipeline – Initial Focus on Orphan Diseases

|                        |              | Program   |                      | Pre-clinical | Phase I | Phase II | Phase III |
|------------------------|--------------|---|----------------------|--------------|---------|----------|-----------|
| Equity +<br>Grants     | Orphan       | Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy <sup>1</sup> Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis <sup>2</sup> | oral                 |              |         |          |           |
| Grants +<br>Partnering | Infectious   | COVID-19 <sup>3</sup> Other Infectious Diseases <sup>4</sup>                        | oral<br>oral/i.v.    |              |         |          |           |
| Partnering             | Inflammatory | Psoriasis Multiple Sclerosis Rheumatoid Arthritis Inflammatory Bowel Disease        | oral<br>oral<br>oral |              |         |          |           |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Recently received **Orphan Drug Designation** and **Rare Pediatric Disease Designation from FDA** in 2023; further orphan muscular dystrophy indications such as e.g. **Becker's Muscular Dystrophy** with similar standard anti-inflammatory therapy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> E.g. **Sepsis,** Multi Drug Resistant Infections, *Clostridioides difficile*, Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>On the basis of preclinical in vivo studies for Rheumatoid Arthritis

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Phase IIa financed by **EU grant of EUR7.9m**; data were published in *Lancet Regional Health (Europe)*; this study could serve as PoC for <u>Host-Directed</u> Therapies for <u>potentially pandemic infectious</u> diseases such as **COVID**, **RSV**, **Influenza** ("Pandemic Preparedness")

# Proven Efficacy and Safety

#### Efficacy and safety studies conducted with MP1032 as stand-alone drug (monotherapy)





- Outstanding safety demonstrated in over 234
  patients treated with MP1032 in 4 double-blind
  placebo-controlled clinical trials.
- Anti-inflammatory and disease-modifying effect demonstrated in two Phase II trials in psoriasis.
- Anti-inflammatory and anti-infective effect shown in a recent Phase II study in COVID-19 patients





Rheumatic Diseases



Crohn's U. Colitis



COVID-19

Multiple Sclerosis



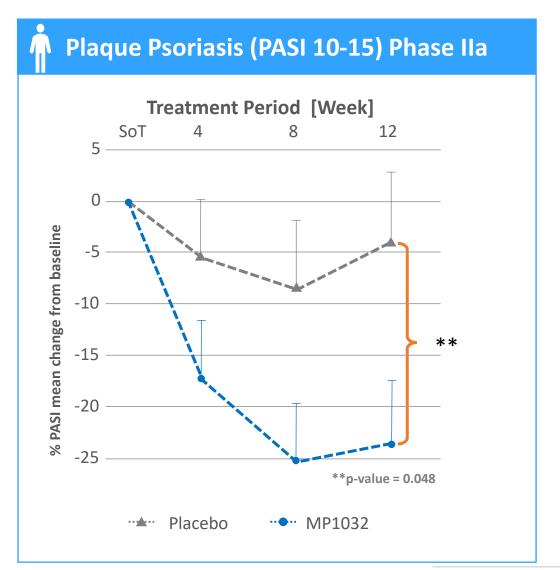
Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

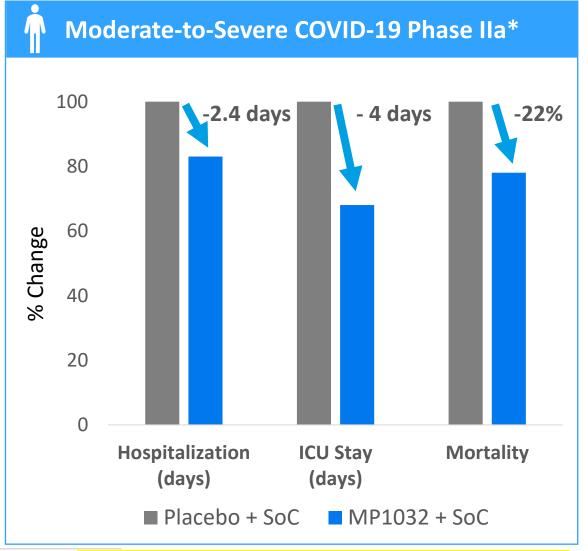
demonstrated in pre-clinical (animal) models of common chronic inflammatory diseases and in animal model of the orphan childhood disease Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.



#### Clinical Data

3 Completed Phase II PoC Studies Demonstrated Disease-Modifying Efficacy and Outstanding Safety





# MP1032 Safety

### Outstanding Safety Profile Pre-Clinically and in Humans

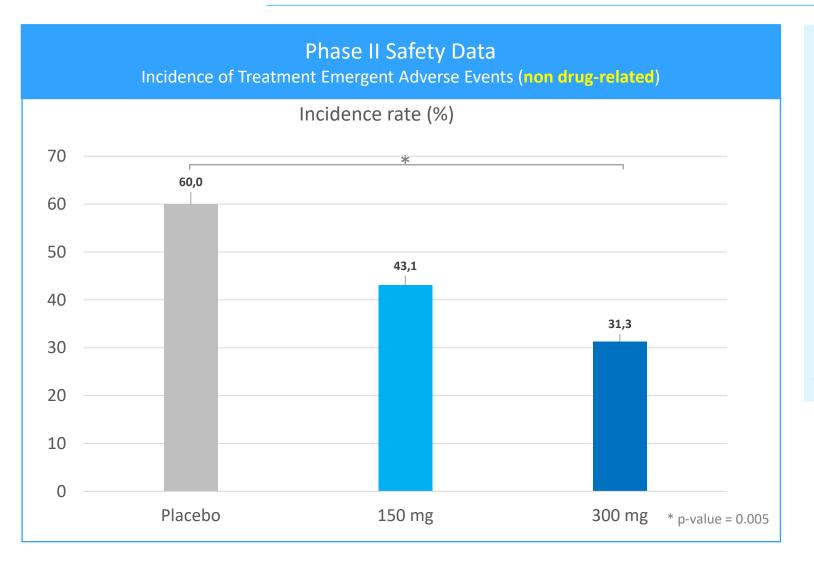
| Pre-clinical   | Clinical  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| Max. oral dosing 6 months – 120x human dose                  | Phase 1 Max. oral repeat dose 600 mg  No safety issues detected                   |  |  |
| No dose-limiting toxicity could be reached  Max. oral dosing | Phase 2a Psoriasis  Max. oral repeat dose 200 mg  No safety issues detected       |  |  |
| 12 months  √ 30 x human dose  No observed adverse effect     | Phase 2 Psoriasis  Max. oral repeat dose 600 mg MP1032  No safety issues detected |  |  |
|  | Phase 2a COVID-19  Max. oral repeat dose 600 mg  No safety issues detected        |  |  |

MP1032 demonstrated excellent safety based on data from preclinical studies and four clinical trials with 366 patients (= 234 verum + 132 placebo).



# MP1032: Less TEAEs in Treatment Groups than in Placebo Group

Potential to Reduce Non-Drug-Related Adverse-Events in Fixed-Dose Combinations (FDCs)



Safety data from Phase II clinical trial MP1032-CT04 Plaque Psoriasis

#### 155 patients; 3 months daily oral

- 55 placebo b.i.d.
- 52 150 mg b.i.d.
- 48 300 mg b.i.d.

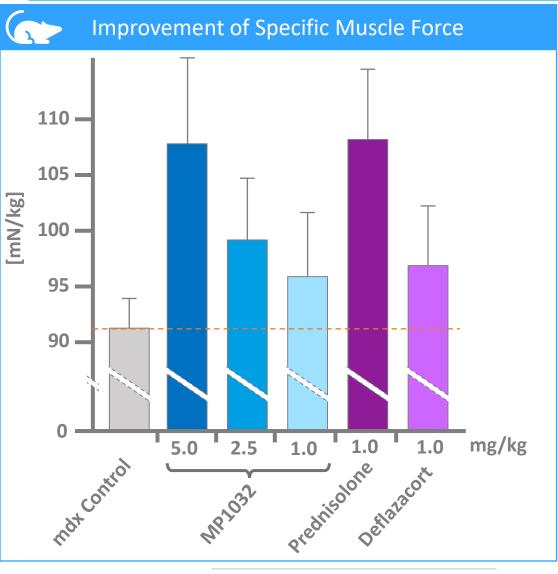
No SAE in MP1032 Groups

150mg and 300 mg doses reduce TEAEs

SAE = Serious Adverse Event

TEAE = Treatment Emergent Adverse Events

# MP1032 Muscle Force Preservation Equal or Better Than Corticosteroids in DMD Animal Model (mdx mice)



MP1032 improves EDL\* muscle force from DMD *mdx* mice with same potency as corticosteroids...

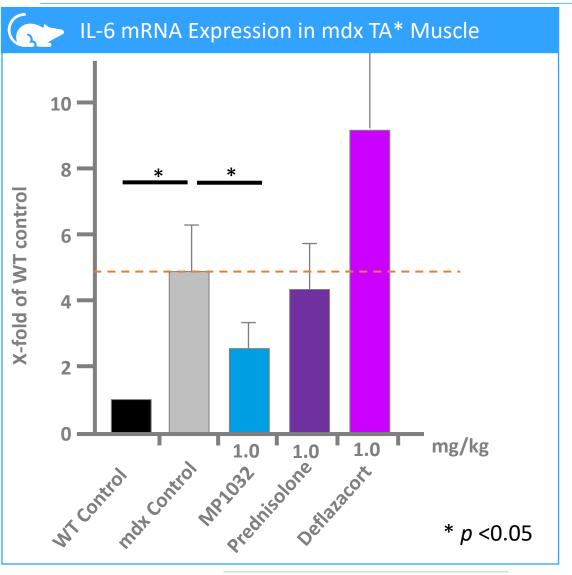
(without any side effects as demonstrated in clinical phase I and II studies)

\* EDL = extensor digitorum longus

Study performed by Agada Research Ltd. Halifax, Canada



# MP1032 — IL-6 Inhibition in Muscle by MP1032 is Better than by Corticosteroids in DMD Animal Model (mdx mice)



MP1032 elicits meaningful inhibition of IL-6 in TA\* muscle of *mdx* mice.

This cytokine inhibitory effect was also seen for IL-1 $\beta$ , TNF- $\alpha$  and CD163 and underlines the efficacy of MP1032 in treatment of DMD.

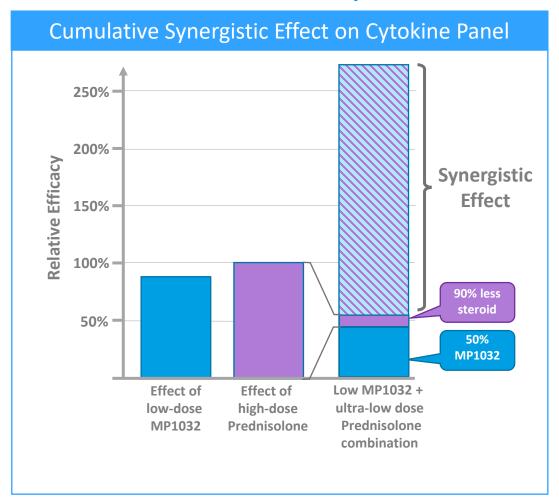
\* TA = Tibialis Anterior

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### MP1032 Boosts Corticosteroid Anti-Inflammatory Potency

#### **Efficacy** ↑↑ Side-effects ↓↓

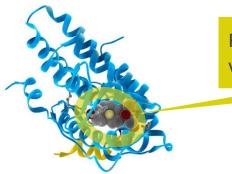


#### Oncology

Oncology 2000;59(suppl 1):13-18

# Redox Regulation of the Nuclear Receptor

Hirotoshi Tanaka<sup>a</sup> Yuichi Makino<sup>b</sup> Kensaku Okamoto<sup>b</sup> Takahisa Iida<sup>b</sup> Noritada Yoshikawa<sup>b</sup> Takanori Miura<sup>b</sup>



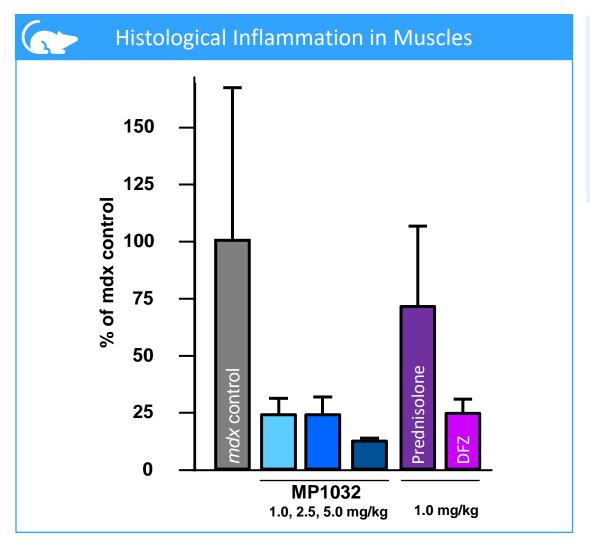
Redox-sensitive region (Cys 481) in vicinity of GCR Ligand Binding Domain

The synergistic effect seems to be due to the glucocorticoid receptor's cysteinerich ligand binding domain, which is sensitive to changes caused by redox
changes/oxidative stress/ROS. This weakens steroid binding in cells under
oxidative stress, necessitating higher steroid doses for the same effect.
MP1032 can reverse these changes and restores optimal steroid binding.
Thus, MP1032 enables lower doses of glucocorticoids.

BioMap Assay performed by Eurofins



# MP1032 Has Stronger Anti-Inflammatory Effects Than Corticosteroids in DMD Animal Model (mdx mice)



# Less inflammatory foci in muscles mdx mice treated with MP1032 showed less histological inflammatory foci in TA\* muscle than mdx mice treated with Prednisolone or

\* TA = Tibialis Anterior

Deflazacort.

Study performed by Agada Research Ltd., Halifax, Canada



### MP1032 and DMD: Summary of Experimental Data and Rationale

#### **Experimental data with MP1032**

- $\triangleright$  Reduces pro-inflammatory cytokines like IL-6, IL-1b and TNF- $\alpha$  similar to Corticosteroids (partly better than Corticosteroids (e.g. IL-6)
- > Reduces inflammatory foci in muscles of *mdx* mice (better than Corticosteroids)
- Improves ex vivo muscle specific force in mdx mice, dose dependent, similar to corticosteroid treatment
- ➤ Lacks growth-related side effects of Corticosteroids in mice
- > Acts synergistically with Prednisolone and Vamolorone

#### Rationale & Benefits of MP1032 as DMD therapy

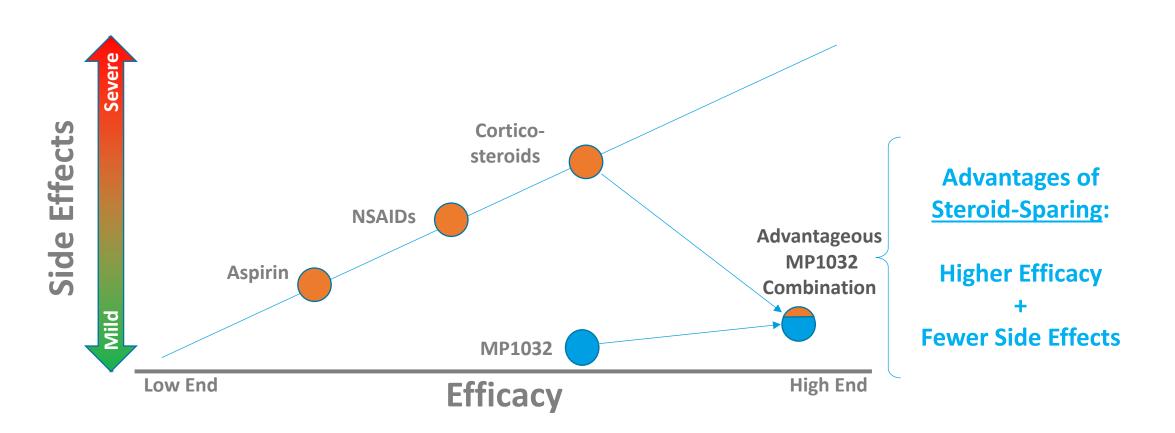
- Inflammation in muscles is a major issue in DMD
  - ➤ MP1032 is anti-inflammatory
- > Current therapies with long-time use of steroids (e.g. Prednisolone, Deflazacort or Vamorolone) cause serious side effects
  - ➤ MP1032 has nearly no side effects (as demonstrated in Phase I and 3 Phase II studies)
  - > MP1032 synergistically enhances effects of Corticosteroids, suggesting a steroid-sparing use
- > Other approved therapies e.g. like Ataluren (Translarna®) only suitable for small subset of DMD patients
  - > In contrast, MP1032 not restricted to subsets of patients (upstream MoA with effects on several inflammatory pathways)

#### **Next Steps**

- ➤ MetrioPharm plans a Phase II clinical study, starting in 2025
- Proposals of CROs are currently investigated



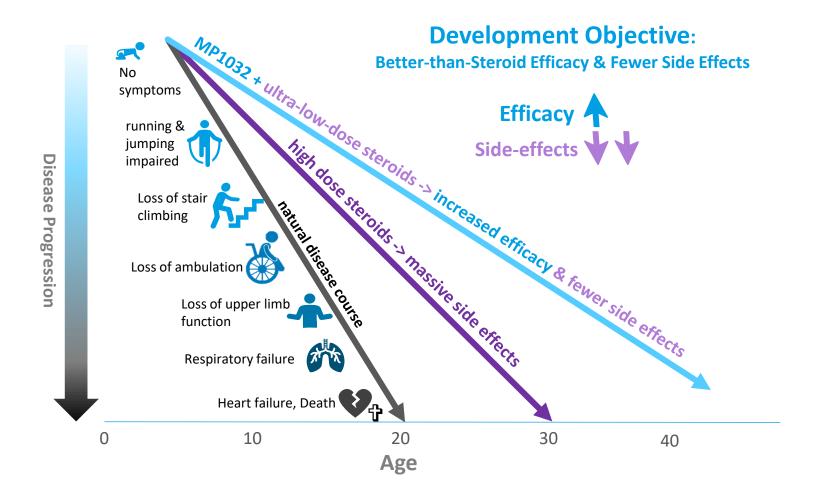
# Combinatorial Drug Repositioning Strategy <u>in DMD</u>, Rheumatoid Arthritis & further Indications with Corticosteroid Standard Therapies



Immune Metabolic Modulation (MP1032) **boosts the efficacy** of existing anti-inflammatory drugs like corticosteroids in a **highly supra-additive way**. This allows for the creation of a **new class** of next-generation fixed-dose-combination drugs with **improved efficacies and fewer side effects from corticosteroids in a large range of indications** 



# Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD)

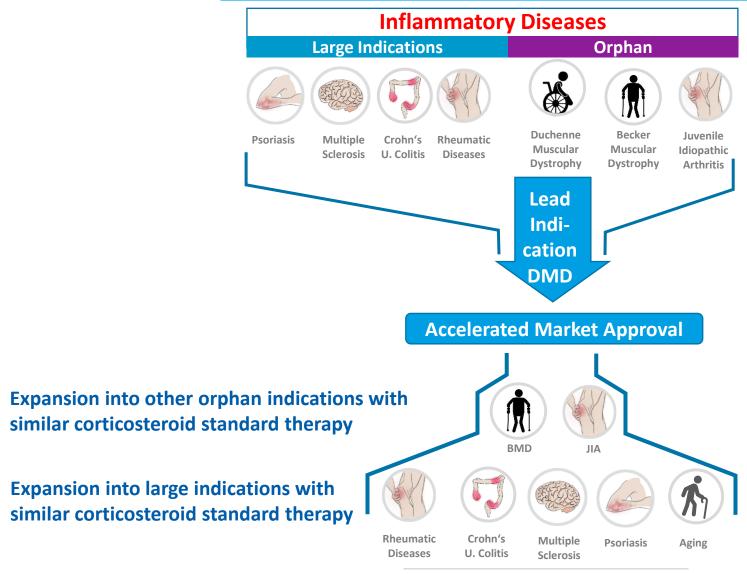




#### Steroid side effects, e.g.

- Growth retardation
- Cushing syndrome
- Osteoporosis
- Hypertension
- Behavioral changes

# Development Strategy: Initial Focus on Orphan Diseases



#### **Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy**

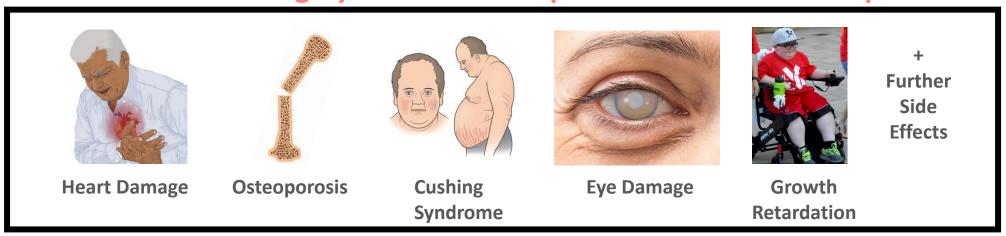
- High medical need
- Orphan disease
- Regulatory fast track
- Strong support from patient organizations

# Corticosteroid Sparing – A Significant Market Opportunity

#### Corticosteroids: still the most widely used therapy for e.g.

#### **Orphan Opportunities Large Non-orphan Indications** • Syst. Lupus erythematosus Asthma Psoriasis Duchenne Musc. Dystrophy Rheumatoid Arthritis Sarcoidosis • COPD • Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis Polymyalgia Rheumatica Inflammatory Bowel Disease Interstitial Lung Disease Becker Muscular Dystrophy Multiple Sclerosis Polymyositis Rhinitis Other Muscular Dystrophys COVID-19 (hospitalized) • Urticaria Contact Dermatitis Autoimmune Hepatitis

#### Corticosteroids: highly effective - but problematic side-effect profile



### Glucocorticoid Market Opportunity

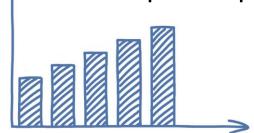




Total Addressable Market: Worldwide Estimated >>200 Million Prescriptions per Year

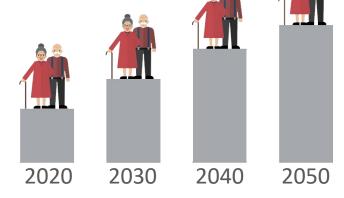
#### **Projected Market Growth**

4% compound per year



#### **Growth Drivers:**

- Aging
- Demographic Change
- Rise in Chronic Diseases



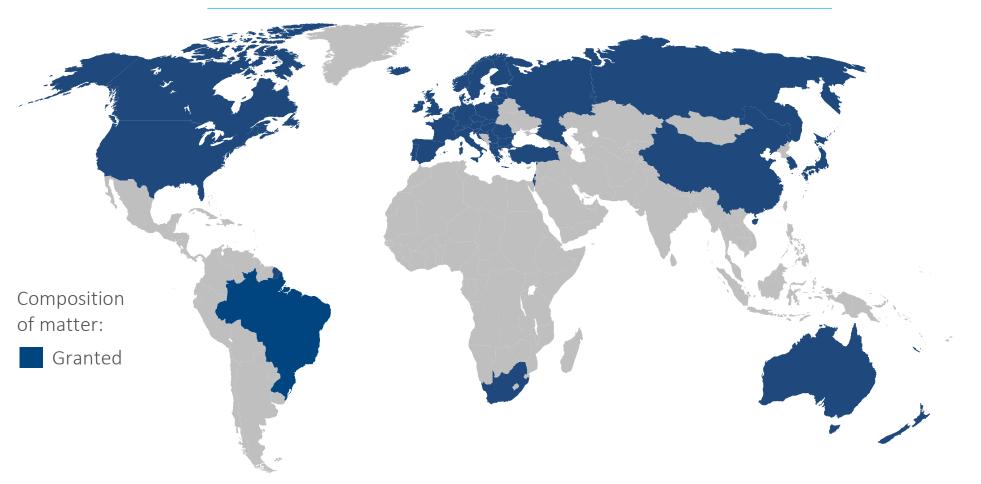


# Total Market Size for MetrioPharm Pipeline

| Indication   | Medical Need & Market Opportunity   | Total Market Size |
|--|---|-------------------|
| Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy                              | Steroid-sparing therapies with improved disease-slowing properties and outstanding safety profile (PoC for other inflammatory diseases)   | \$ 4 Billion      |
| Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis                            | Steroid-sparing therapies with improved disease-slowing properties and outstanding safety profile (PoC for other inflammatory diseases, see below)  | \$ 2 Billion      |
| Psoriasis  | A safer and more effective oral drug, especially for the large, underserved segment of mild-to-moderate psoriasis (e.g. by steroid-sparing)   | \$ 26 Billion     |
| Multiple Sclerosis                                       | A more effective oral therapy with better tolerability compared to currently leading drugs (e.g. by steroid-sparing or other fixed-dose combinations)   | \$ 24 Billion     |
| Inflammatory Bowel Disease                               | Oral maintenance therapies with higher response rates than salicylates and better long-term safety than corticosteroids (by steroid-sparing)  | \$ 20 Billion     |
| Rheumatoid Arthritis                                     | An effective, oral early-intervention treatment for safe long-term use (e.g. by steroid-sparing)  | \$ 28 Billion     |
| COVID-19/Long COVID & other pandemic infectious diseases | <ol> <li>Virus-variant-independent oral drug for safe prophylactic &amp; early intervention use in immune-compromised patients &amp; Long/Post COVID</li> <li>PoC for host-directed therapies for other (potentially pandemic) infectious diseases such as Influenza Virus, Respiratory Syncytial Virus &amp; others (see below)</li> </ol> | \$ ?? Billion     |
| Other Infectious Diseases                                | Host-directed therapy for <b>Sepsis</b> , Multi Drug Resistant Infections, Clostridioides difficile, Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS) etc.  | \$ 10+ Billion    |



### Strong Intellectual Property Portfolio

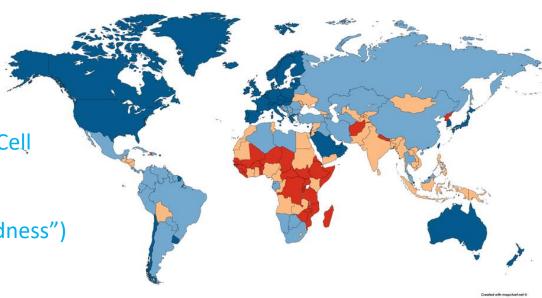


- Strong intellectual property portfolio with 21 patent families including 98 granted patents to-date
- Composition of matter patents: valid until 2031 (plus PTE/SPC options)
- Medical use patent applications in various fixed-dose combinations: valid until 2042/2043



### Investment with Social Impact

- Addresses high medical needs in Low & Middle-Income Countries (L&MICs)
  - Chronic diseases
    - Affordable alternative to high-end therapies (Biologics, Cell Therapies) which are out of reach for L&MICs
  - Infectious diseases
    - Early response to new viral threats ("Pandemic Preparedness")
    - Anti-microbial resistance
- Low Cost-of-Goods (manufacturing) allows for affordable pricing
- Ease of use in compromised environments
  - oral
  - no cooling required
  - highly stable
- Outstanding safety no need for expensive patient monitoring





High-Income

Upper-Middle-Income

Lower-Middle-Income

Low-Income



### Summary (1)

#### Platform of Oral Modulators Targeting the Mitochondrial Metabolism in Macrophages

#### First-in-class self-regulating modulators of mitochondrial metabolism in macrophages

- MP1032 reverses the pathologically altered ("reprogrammed") mitochondrial redox balance in macrophages back to normal
- By down-regulating pathologically elevated levels of ROS (Reactive Oxygen Species) back to physiological (normal) levels
- Without (!) interfering with physiological levels of ROS, which are essential for cell signaling & other functions of immune cells
- Through a first-in-class self-regulating mechanism of action that is activated only when ROS levels are elevated (pro-drug)
- Activation is initiated through clusters of high pH levels that trigger deprotonation of MP1032 which then degrades ROS
- Once the cellular redox balance is restored to physiological ROS levels, the activation of further MP1032 molecules stops
- Consequently, the drug activity ceases, i.e. MP1032 is completely inactive at physiological (normal) ROS levels

#### Broad anti-inflammatory activity without immune suppression

- MP1032 acts upstream of multiple inflammatory pathways (cytokines, kinases, mitochondrial dysfunctions, senescent cells)
- For example, cytokines are broadly downregulated to physiological levels but not below physiological levels
- MP1032 shows strong anti-inflammatory activity similar to corticosteroids but without serious side effects
- MP1032 synergistically enhances the efficacy of other anti-inflammatory therapeutics, e.g. corticosteroids, DMF (Tecfidera®)



### Summary (2)

#### Platform of Oral Modulators Targeting the Mitochondrial Metabolism in Macrophages

#### Host-directed antiviral and antibacterial activity

- -> Broad host-directed & dose-dependent antiviral activity against 6 tested variants of COVID
- -> Host-directed antiviral activity also against other RNA-based viruses (e.g. RSV, Influenza)
- -> Strong host-directed antibacterial activity against several tested bacterial strains including multidrug-resistant strains
- -> Host-directed therapy is a promising approach for treating antibiotic-resistant bacterial strains

#### • Excellent safety profile - especially no immunosuppression

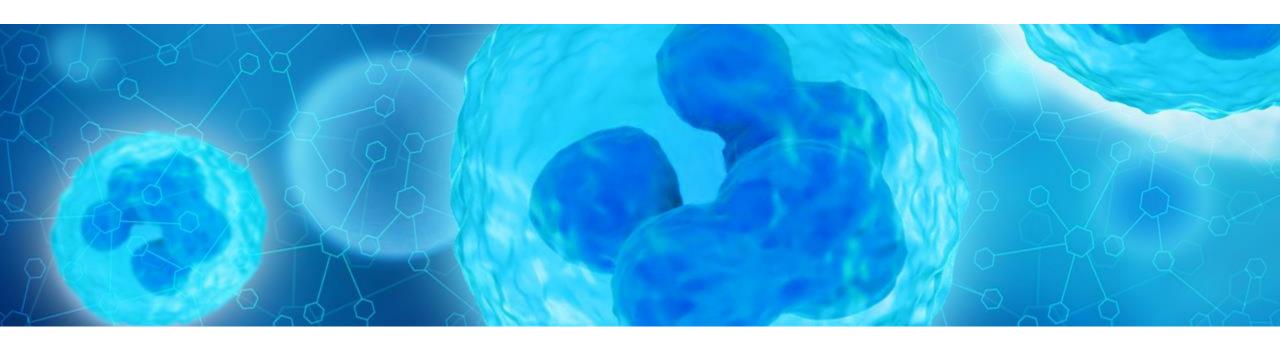
- -> Dose-limiting toxicity could not be reached even though up to 1,000 times the human dose has been administered
- -> Not a single drug-related serious adverse event was observed in 4 clinical trials with 366 patients (234 verum + 132 placebo)
- -> <u>Fewer treatment-emerging adverse events</u> (non-drug related) in the **treatment groups versus placebo** (dose-dependent!)

#### Strong intellectual property portfolio

- -> 21 patent families including 98 granted patents
- -> Additional medical use patents pending valid until 2042/2043







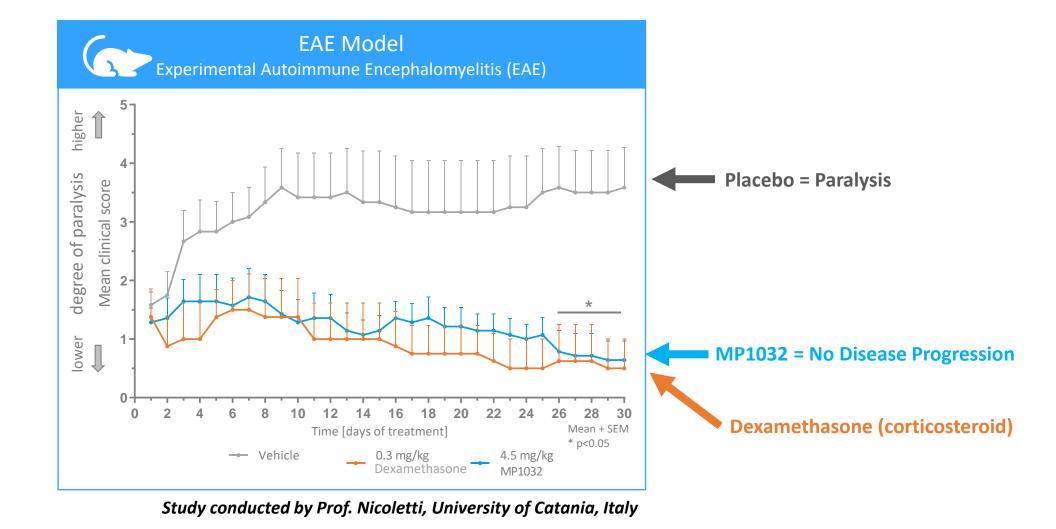
# **APPENDIX**

Selection of Efficacy Studies in Inflammatory and Infectious Diseases



#### Multiple Sclerosis

### Pre-Clinical: Multiple Sclerosis EAE Model

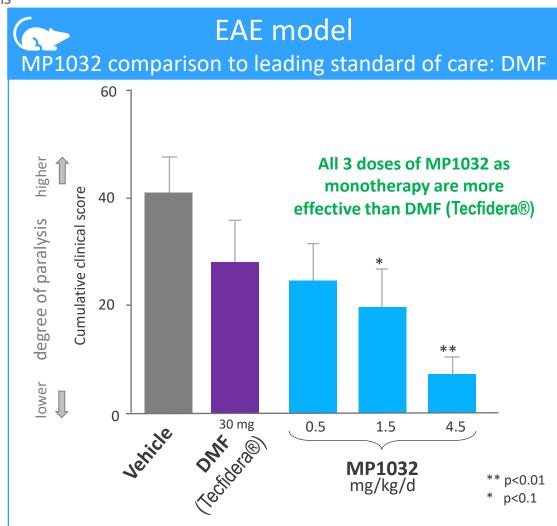


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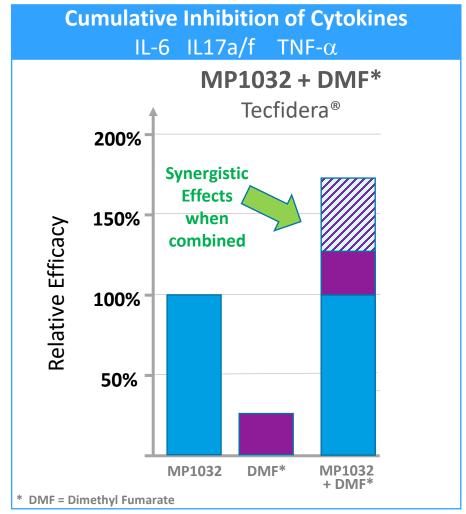
# MP1032 works better than leading oral MS drug

MS



#### Study conducted by Prof. Nicoletti, University of Catania, Italy

#### **Synergism with Best-in-Class Potential for MS**



BioMap Assay performed by Eurofins

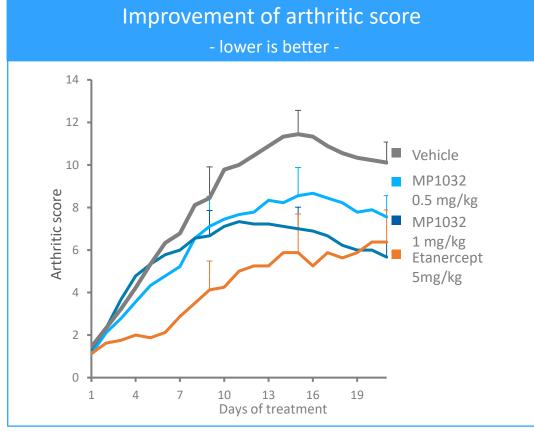




# Pre-Clinical POC: Rheumatoid Arthritis (1) MP1032 improves Arthritic Disease Score and Joint Preservation in CIA Model

Collagen-Induced Arthritis (CIA) mouse model

Rheumatoid Arthritis



In Collagen-induced arthritis (CIA) mouse model, MP1032 treatment resulted in significantly improved arthritic disease score, **on par with TNF-inhibitor Etanercept (Enbrel®).** 

#### Knee Joint Histology Cross-sections (day 20)

Placebo



Cross section of hind-leg knee joint, showing massive infiltration and destruction of jont morphology

Vehicle

MP1032



0.5 mg/kg

Low-dose MP1032 results in less infiltration and partial joint preservation.



1.0 mg/kg

High-dose MP1032 results in minor infiltration and complete joint preservation.

Histological assessment showed dose-dependent disease modifying effect in form of joint preservation.

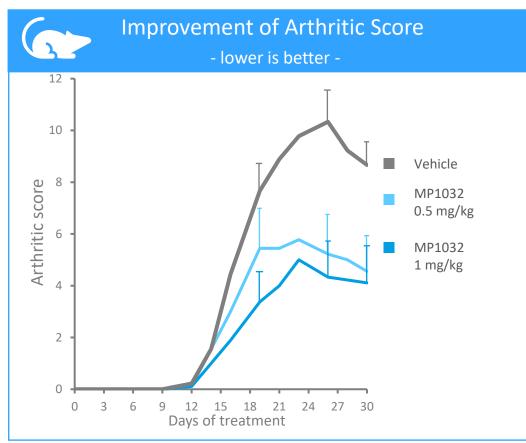
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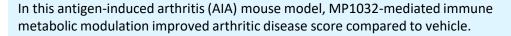


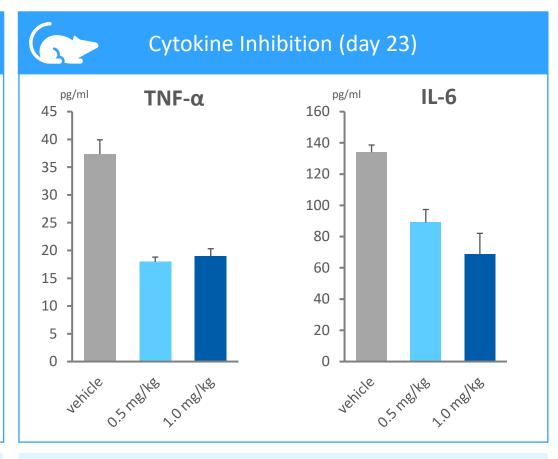


# Pre-Clinical: Rheumatoid Arthritis Model (2)

Antigen-Induced Arthritis (AIA) mouse model







MP1032 induced a significant inhibition of two key pro-inflammatory cytokines involved in auto-immune arthritis in mouse AIA model.

Studies performed by Prof. Nicoletti, University of Catania, Italy

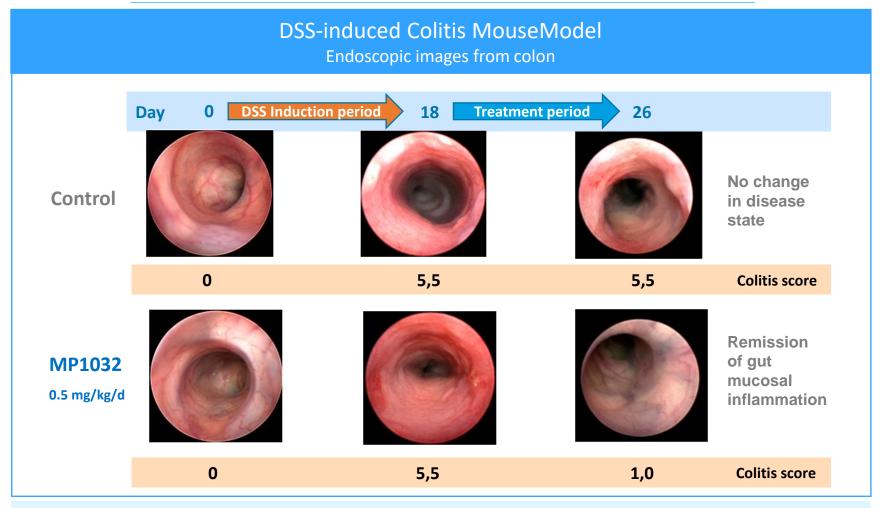




# Pre-clinical POC: Inflammatory Bowel Disease

MP1032-mediated metabolic modulation improves gut inflammation in DSS-induced Colitis Mouse Model

Crohn's U. Colitis



In DSS-induced colitis mouse model. Systemic once-daily treatment with MP1032 metabolic modulator after full induction (therapeutic treatment) resulted in a near-complete remission of gut mucosa within 8 days. Endoscopic images of colon.

Study perfomed by Dr. Grötzinger, Charité, Berlin, Germany

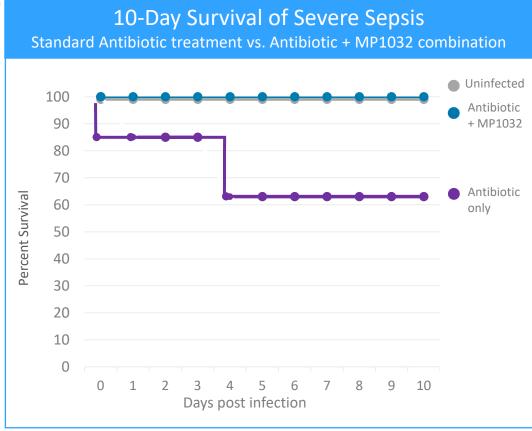


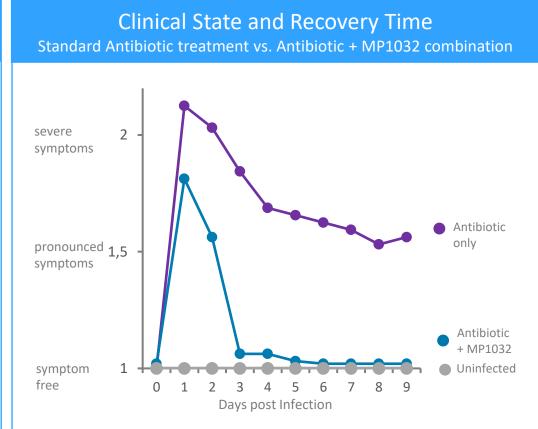


# Preclinical POC: Sepsis (1)

Feces-Injection Peritonitis Model (Mouse)

Bacterial Infection Sepsis





100% animals treated with antibiotic Meropenem plus MP1032 combination therapy survived and fully recovered.

62% of animals in the Meropenem-only group survived, albeit in a clinically poor condition.

The Gonnert score evaluates clinical and behavioral signs of disease and health in animals: movement vs. apathy; food intake, fur, stool. Ranges from 1.0 (normal/healthy) to 3.0 (terminally ill).

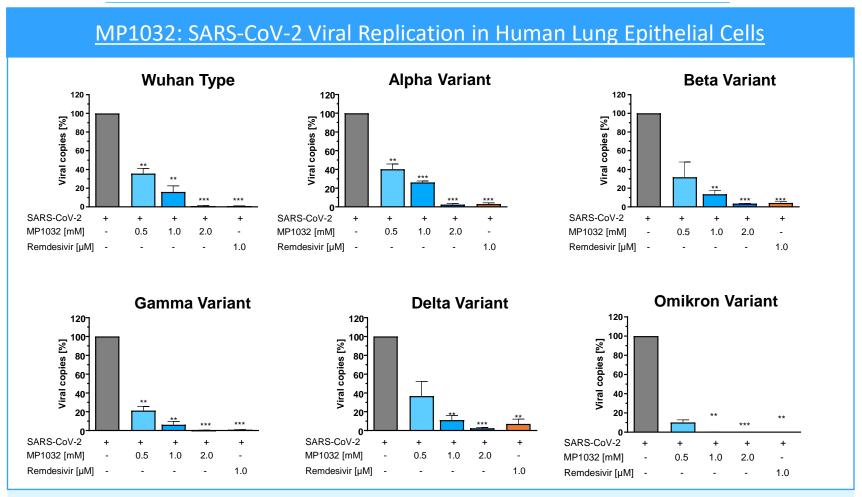
Animals treated with antibiotic + MP1032 combination fully recovered within 3 days. Surviving animals treated with antibiotic monotherapy recovered only partially.

Double-blinded study performed by Dr. Ignazio Rubio, Center for Sepsis Control and Care, Jena, Germany





# Anti-Viral Activity of MP1032 Against Various SARS-CoV-2 Variants Host-Directed & Dose Dependent Efficacy - Independent from Virus Variants



Human lung epithelial cells were infected with virus variants of SARS-CoV-2. Virus replication was reproducibly reduced by MP1032 in dose-dependent manner. Anti-viral effect was consistent, independent of virus variant.

Data from Schumann S et al. Immune-Modulating Drug MP1032 with SARS-CoV-2 Antiviral Activity In Vitro: A potential Multi-Target Approach for Prevention and Early Intervention Treatment of COVID-19. Int J Mol Sci. 2020 Nov 20;21(22):8803. Further data from ImmunoLogik GmbH in collaboration with Prof. Ulrich Schubert of University of Erlangen, Germany.



# COVID-19<sup>1</sup> Phase IIa Study <u>Final</u> Data Analysis <u>PoC</u> for <u>Host-Directed</u> Therapies for <u>Potentially Pandemic</u> Infectious Diseases<sup>1</sup>

# Final data analysis reveals significantly better results than early top-line data suggested Efficacy and safety advantages compared to Standard of Care (SoC)<sup>2</sup>:

- ➤ Hospitalization times **reduced by 2.4 days** (Better than published data of existing drugs Remdesivir and Molnupiravir at similar endpoints)
- ➤ Median Intensive-Care-Unit-stay: 4 days shorter
- > 23% lower relative long-term (60d) mortality
- > Favorable biomarker readouts compared to placebo + SoC
  - ➤ Lower C-Reactive Protein (CRP) => lower general inflammation
  - > Higher GFR => better kidney function (predictor of better clinical outcomes)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Findings from MP1032 treatment group + SoC compared to placebo group + SoC as calculated by Saarmetrics



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Phase IIa study was financed by **EU grant of EUR7.9m**; data were published in *Lancet Regional Health (Europe)*; this study could serve as PoC for Host-Directed Therapies for potentially pandemic infectious diseases such as COVID, RSV, Influenza ("Pandemic Preparedness")

### USA: Medical Need and Government COVID Therapeutics Strategy

### **Outpatient**

Administration for Strategic
Preparedness & Response

PrEP

PEP

Therapy

No Illness

**Exposed** 

Per CDC Close Contact Criteria

COVID ++

Mild to Moderate Symptoms

# Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)

- No approved PrEP treatment available
- "Evusheld" not authorized for emergency use anymore (FDA)

#### Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)

- No current PEP treatments
- Studying new and improved treatments a virus variants change

#### **COVID-19 Treatment**

Effective when started within a specific limited timeframe from onset of illness

- Oral antiviral
- IV antiviral
- Monoclonal antibodies (mAbs)

**Paxlovid** 

Lagevrio (molnupiravir)





**MP1032 COVID Market Opportunity** 

Still no approved drug available for these market segments





# MP1032 is Effective Against 4 Cardinal Drivers of Long COVID

MP1032 Immune-Metabolic Modulation: A Multi-modal Therapy Opportunity to Treat Long COVID

COVID-19

|   | Long Covid Pathology  | References  | MP1032 Therapeutic Effect   |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| 1 | Persistent<br>Virus   | Couzin-Frankel J. Clues to long COVID. Science. 2022 Jun 17;376(6599):1261-1265  Zollner A, Koch R, et al. Postacute COVID-19 is Characterized by Gut Viral Antigen Persistence in Inflammatory Bowel Diseases. Gastroenterology. 2022 Aug;163(2):495-506   | MP1032 inhibits SARS-CoV-2 replication independent of virus variants  MP1032 Effect  SARS-CoV-2 replication independent of virus variants  MP1032 Effect  Fights persistent virus |  |  |
| 2 | Immune  Metabolic  Dysregulation  TNF-α  IL-1β  IL-1β  IL-6 | Phetsouphanh C, Darley DR, et al. Immunological dysfunction persists for 8 months following initial mild-to-moderate SARS-CoV-2 infection. Nat Immunol. 2022 Feb;23(2):210-216. Schultheiß C, Willscher E, et al. The IL-1β, IL-6, and TNF cytokine triad is associated with post-acute sequelae of COVID-19. Cell Rep Med. 2022 Jun 21;3(6):100663 | MP1032 inhibits  pathologic cytokine release  MP1032 Effect  Normalization of persistent immune dysregulation   |  |  |
| 3 | Micro<br>Embolisms  | Buonsenso D, Di Giuda D, et al. Evidence of lung perfusion defects and ongoing inflammation in an adolescent with post-acute sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 infection. Lancet Child Adolesc Health. 2021 Sep;5(9):677-680.  | MP1032 induces the endogenous factor thrombomodulin  Thrombomodulin  MP1032 Effect  Prevention of micro-embolisms   |  |  |
| 4 | Lung<br>Fibrosis<br>Normal COVID                            | Mohammadi A, Balan I, et al. Post-COVID-19<br>Pulmonary Fibrosis. Cureus. 2022 Mar 2;14(3)  | MP1032 inhibits fibrotic biomarkers  MP1032 Effect  Anti Fibrotic Inhibits pulmonary fibrosis   |  |  |

Long COVID is emerging as a multi-facetted systemic disease which shows the typical hallmarks of pathologic macrophage re-programming. This has detrimental effects on a number of different organ systems. MP1032-mediated macrophage metabolic modulation is a drug mechanism that broadly targets the diverse causes and symptoms of Long Covid. The high unmet medical need and lack of approved therapeutics for Long Covid makes this a highly promising and attractive target indication for MP1032.







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