## **TB Alliance R&D Update**

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## **TB Alliance Portfolio**

Discovery			Preclinical	Clinical Development			
TARGET OR CELL-BASED SCREENING	LEAD IDENTIFICATION	LEAD OPTIMIZATION	Development	CLINICAL PHASE I	CLINICAL PHASE II	CLINICAL PHASE III	
Natural Products IMCAS	Whole-Cell Hit to Lead Program GSK	Mycobacterial Gyrase Inhibitors GSK	Nitroimidazoles U. of Auckland/ U. III Chicago		PA-824 Novartis	Moxifloxacin (+ H, R, Z Bayer	
Protease Inhibitors IDRI	Malate Synthase Inhibitors GSK/TAMU	InhA Inhibitors GSK	Preclinical TB Regimen Development JHU/U. III Chicago		TMC207 Tibotec	Moxifloxacin (+ R, Z, E Bayer	
TB Drug Discovery Portfolio NITD		<b>Diarylquinolines</b> Tibotec/U. of Auckland			PA-824/Pyrazinamide		
Fopoisomerase I nhibitors AZ/NYMC	Gyrase B Inhibitors AZ	Riminophenazines IMM/BTTTRI			TMC207/Pyrazinamide		
	Folate Biosynthesis Inhibitors AZ	<b>Pyrazinamide Analogs</b> Yonsei			PA-824/ Moxifloxacin/ Pyrazinamide		
	Whole-Cell Hit to Lead Program AZ						
	RNA Polymerase Inhibitors AZ/Rutgers						
Novel TB regimen development	Energy Metabolism Inhibitors AZ/U. Penn						
Current first-line TB treatment consists of : isoniazid (H) + rifampicin (R) + pyrazinamide (Z) + ethambutol (E)	Phenotypic Hit to Lead Program U. III Chicago						
	Menaquinone Biosynthesis Inhibitors CSU						

### **Current TB Therapy and Unmet Needs**

# Patient Population

Drug-Susceptible DS-TB

Drug-Resistant M(X)DR-TB

TB/HIV Co-Infection

Latent TB Infection

#### **Current Therapy**

4 drugs; ≥6 month therapy (2RHZE\* + 4RH)

Few good drugs (including injectables); ≥18 months; toxicities; cost

Drug-drug interactions (DDI) with ARVs

6-9 months H

#### **Unmet Needs**

**Shorter, simpler therapy** 

Totally oral, shorter, more efficacious, safer, affordable therapy

No or low DDI, coadministration with ARVs

Shorter, safer therapy

- ► Need shorter, simpler therapies against both DS and DR-TB
- ► To accomplish, will need to replace all or most current drugs

<sup>\*</sup> Rifampin (R), Isoniazid (H), Pyrazinamide (Z), Ethambutol (E)

### **Accomplishments—Preclinical**

- Further refinement of discovery portfolio, with focus on pharma mini-portfolio and next generation programs
- Initiated AZ collaboration and successfully consolidated 3 early-stage projects into AZ mini-portfolio
- Initiation of pyrazinamide next generation program, a critical agent for future regimens
- Advancement of DNDi collaboration; preclinical candidate for VL identified
- Further advancement of preclinical novel drug combination program; promising regimens identified

#### **AstraZeneca Collaboration (Mini-Portfolio)**

- Projects from AZ:
  - GyrB inhibitor
  - FolB inhibitor
  - Whole-cell hit
- Projects from TB Alliance:
  - RNAP inhibitors (Rutgers)
  - Energy metabolism inhibitors (Penn)
  - Topo I inhibitors (NYMC)

## **Projects Terminated**

#### Milestones not met for:

- Bifunctional molecules
- Tryptanthrins
- Benzoxaboroles (LeuRS)

## **Accomplishments--Clinical**

- REMox Ph 3 enrollment progressing well
- PA-824 dose ranging EBA study completed and clinical dose selected
- TMC207 dose ranging EBA study completed
- Further advancement of clinical novel drug combination program (regimen development)
  - ➤ Novel 3-drug regimen advanced into Ph 2 EBA study
  - ➤TMC207-PZA synergy being tested in Ph 2 EBA study

## **REMox TB Trial Update**

# Phase 3 REMoxTB Trial Design

Randomized, Double-blind; Non-inferiority

	Treatment Duration (months)						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
	Intensive		Continuation				
800 participants Standard Regimen	HRZE		HR				
	Placebos						
800 participants Moxifloxacin for Ethambutol	HRZM		HRM				
	Placebos						
800 participants Moxifloxacin for	MF	RZE	N	1R			
Isoniazid	Placebos						



All participants followed for 12 months post-treatment

H = isoniazid; M = moxifloxacin; R = rifampin; Z = pyrazinamide; E = ethambutol

## **Participating Sites**



#### **REMoxTB Timelines**

Last Patient In	4Q 2011
Last Patient Out	2Q 2013

Database Lock 3Q 2013

Submission1Q 2014

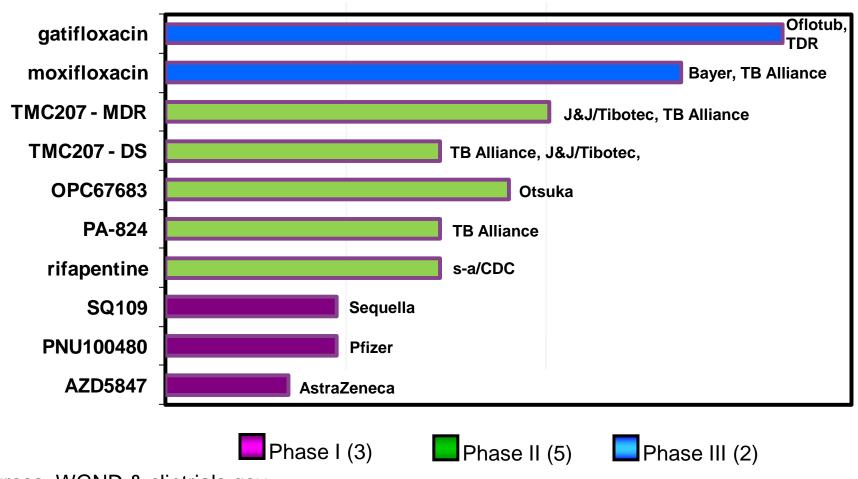
#### **Consortium for TB Biomarkers Substudy**

#### Objective:

- Long-term repository of biospecimens in order to discover and validate drugeffect biomarkers and surrogate endpoints, and ultimately streamline the clinical trial process for TB drug development
- Panel of external experts will review and approve proposals solicited from the TB R&D community
- Collaborative effort with ACTG, TBTC
- Parameters:
  - Blood, Urine, Sputum collected and stored
  - No human genetic testing
- Status: FDA grant awarded September 17, 2010
  - One year grant with possible extension out to three years
  - Number of patients: 250-350 to be contributed by each organization
  - Next steps: Meeting with FDA, ACTG and TBTC

# TB Regimen Testing: Approach and Status

## TB Drugs in Clinical Development Global Portfolio



Sources: WGND & clintrials.gov

## **Opportunity**

For the first time in history, the opportunity exists to develop a truly novel regimen, containing multiple new chemical entities with novel mechanisms of action

TB treatment of ≤ 4 months for DSand DR-TB

## **New Regimen: Optimal Target Profile**

- Shorten and simplify treatment
  - Active against drug-persistent Mtb populations
- Equally effective against M(X)DR-TB
  - Novel mechanisms of action
- Easy, safe, co-administration with ARVs
  - No P450 mediated drug-drug interactions
- Excellent safety/tolerability
- Oral, once daily dosing
- Low cost of goods

# Approach to Novel Regimen Development

- Use animal model(s) to identify most promising combinations
- Conduct full preclinical, Phase I and Phase II EBA evaluations of each drug singly
- Explore drug-drug interactions and, as appropriate, preclinical tox of the combination
- Take combination (regimen) into clinical development (Phase II, III)

## TB Regimen Development Path

SD, MD; DDI if needed

Final combo regimens better than Rifafour

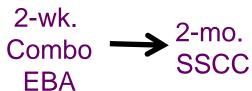
Statistically better than Rifafour

Mouse model



2-wk. **FBA** 





cidal -> sterilizing

Dose ranging in cidal

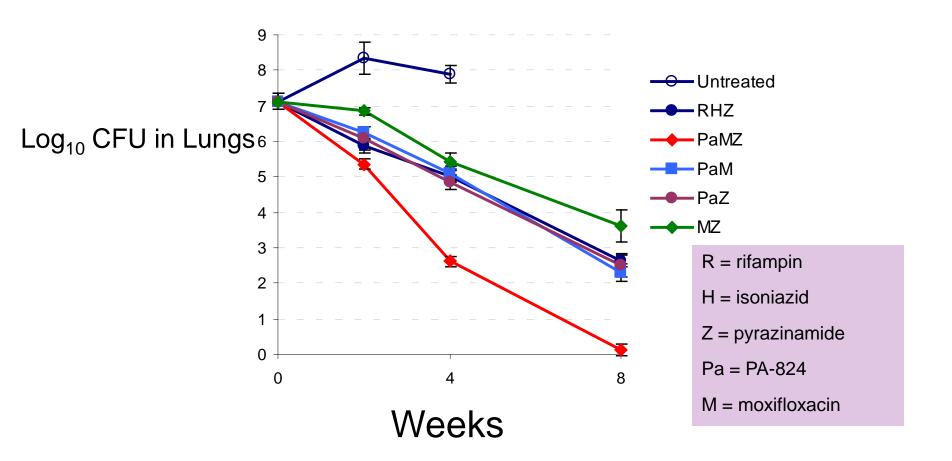
Only combos in relapse

Dose ranging here for single drugs

Best doses used in combos

All final combos tested here

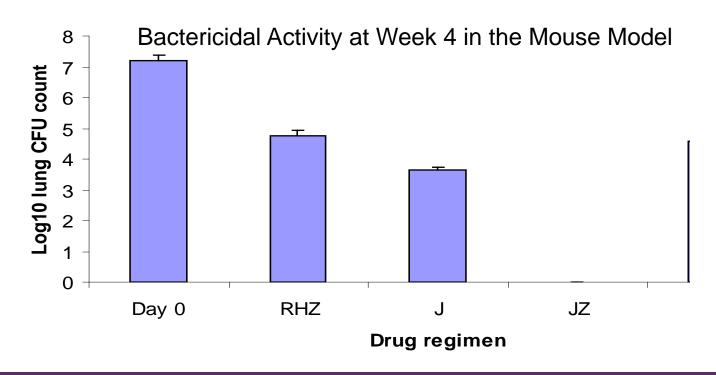
# **Bactericidal Activity of Different Treatment Regimens in the Mouse**



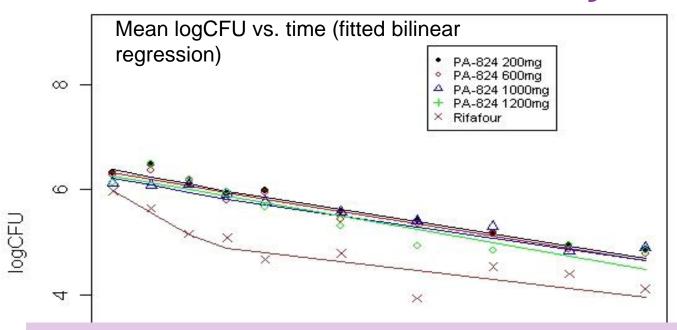
# Use of EBA to Test Principles Learned from Preclinical Models

#### J-Z Synergy:

If confirmed in the clinic, will serve as a core for novel regimens



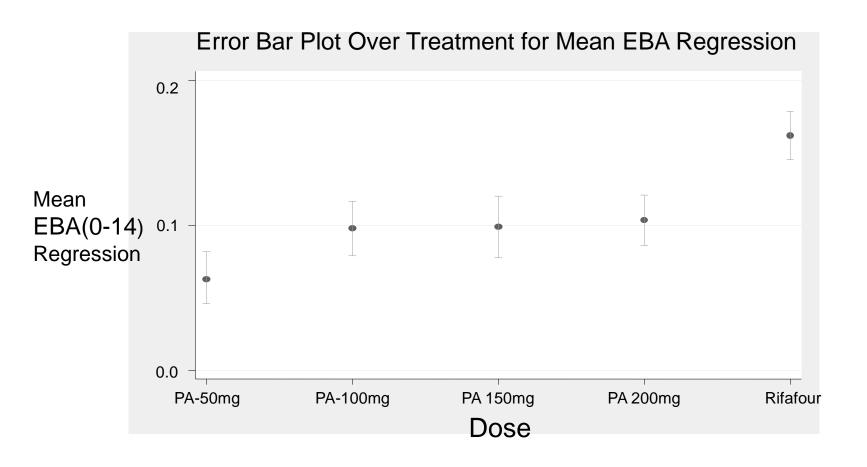
#### PA-824: First EBA Study



#### **Conclusions:**

- PA-824 is as effective at 200 mg as at 1200 mg
- Slope of curves over Days 0-2: Rifafour (isoniazid)
   appears to have more 'cidal activity than PA-824, alone
- Slope of curves over Days 2-14: PA-824, alone, even at 200mg, appears as sterilizing as all 4 first-line drugs together (Rifafour)

#### PA-824: Second EBA Study



#### First Novel Combo EBA: NC-001

14-day EBA to test two concepts (based on results from the mouse):

- PA824-moxi-PZA will be a novel efficacious
   3-drug regimen, potentially suitable for MDR-TB as well as DS-TB
  - Arms: Pa824+PZA; Pa824+moxi+PZA
  - Rifafour arm as control
- 2) TMC207 and PZA will be synergistic in humans
  - Arms: TMC207; TMC207+PZA (same Rifafour control as above)
- FPI week of Oct 11, 2010; results May, 2011

### **CPTR Organization**

#### **CPTR Initiative**

BMGF—in association with the TB Alliance and C-Path—will work to accelerate the development of new TB drug regimens

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<u>CPTR Tools Consortium</u> "Regulatory Science"

CPTR Drug Coalition "Drug Development" <u>CPTR Infrastructure</u>
"Key Success Factors"

#### **Focus**

- Data standards/integration
- Qualified biomarkers
- Disease progression models
- New clinical trial designs
- Drug combination testing and development
- Clinical trial capacity
- Regulatory harmonization
- Funding

#### **Participants**

- Pharma companies
- TB Alliance
- TB experts
- Regulators
- Patient representatives
- Others?

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- NIH
- CDC
- BMGF
- Other funders

# Thank you