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## **Accelerating our vision**

Targeted hematology therapy franchise

Selective CDK inhibitor franchise

Gene control discovery engine

Fully integrated biopharmaceutical company



# Rapidly advancing toward being a commercial-stage company



3 clinical programs



2 potential NDAs in 2024



Well-funded beyond multiple data readouts

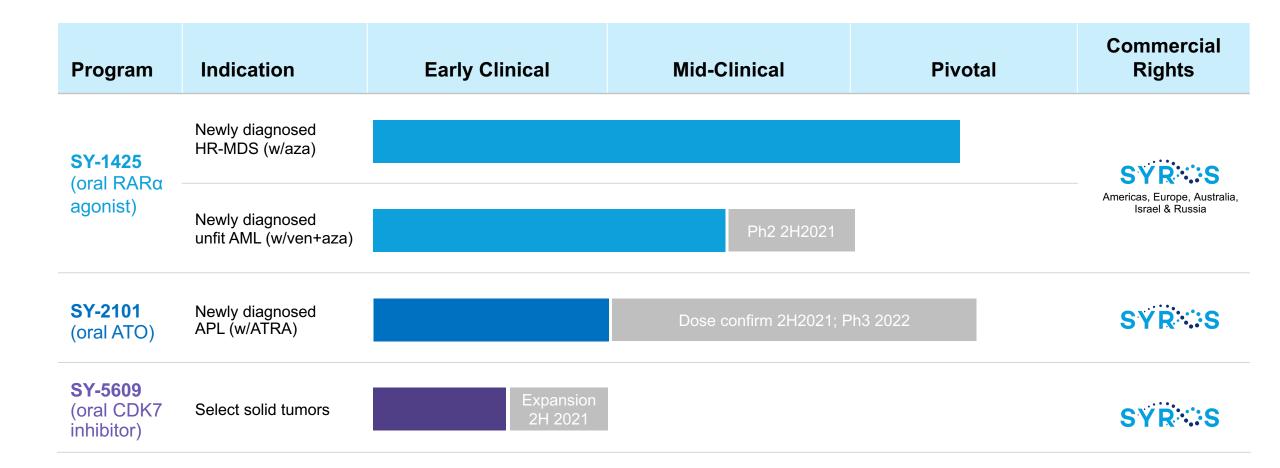


Experienced leadership team

Leading gene control platform



# Advancing a growing clinical-stage pipeline for targeted patient populations



SY-1425 is approved in Japan as Amnolake® (tamibarotene) for patients with relapsed/refractory APL



SY-1425 Selective oral RAR $\alpha$  agonist

# Clear vision for SY-1425 in RARA-positive cancers





# Compelling data and clear path forward for SY-1425

### **Strong rationale in targeted subset**

~ 30% of AML and MDS patients RARA+

SY-1425/aza induces high CR rates, rapid onset of action and meaningful durability in RARA+ ND unfit AML<sup>1</sup>

SY-1425 safety profile supports multiple combination opportunities

New translational data suggest RARA biomarker selects for AML patients less likely to respond to ven/aza<sup>2</sup>

HR-MDS is closely related to AML with opportunity to set new standard of care

Phase 3 trial w/ aza in RARA+ ND HR-MDS

Phase 2 trial with ven/aza in RARA+ ND unfit AML



# High CR rates, rapid onset of action, and clinically meaningful durability in RARA-positive ND unfit AML



**1.2 months** Time to response

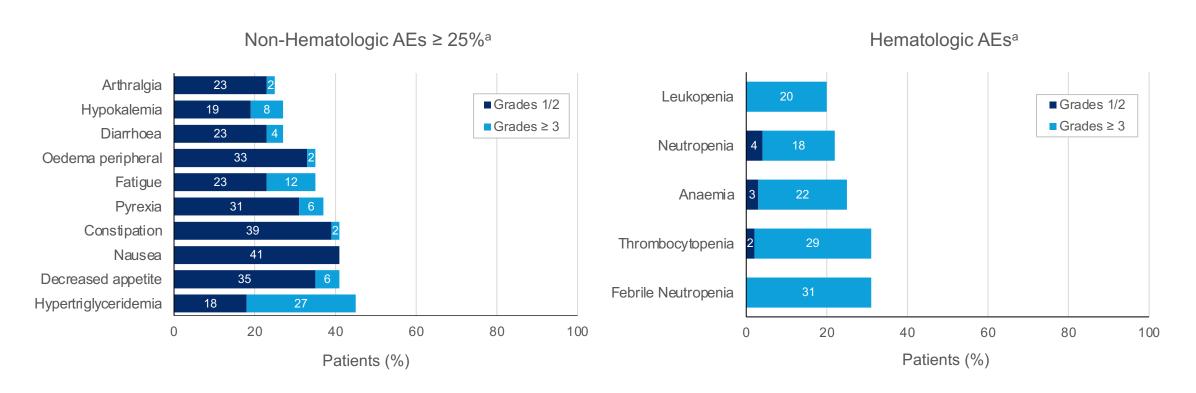
**10.8 months**Duration of response

18 months
Overall survival for complete responders

- 89% of CRs were deep molecular or cytogenetic CRs
- Responses seen irrespective of mutation or cytogenetic risk
- Response rates in RARA-negative patients comparable to historical rates for single-agent aza<sup>1-3</sup>



# Generally well-tolerated combination in ND unfit AML patients



- No increase in neutropenia, anemia and thrombocytopenia compared to single-agent aza
- Majority of non-hematologic AEs are low grade and reversible



# ND HR-MDS represents ideal opportunity for SY-1425 in combination with azacitidine

# HR-MDS is closely related to AML

- HR-MDS and AML on a disease continuum; distinguished only by % blasts in marrow
- More than half of patients progress to AML<sup>1</sup>
- Neutropenia may lead to infection-related complications, including death<sup>2</sup>

# Opportunity to set new standards of care

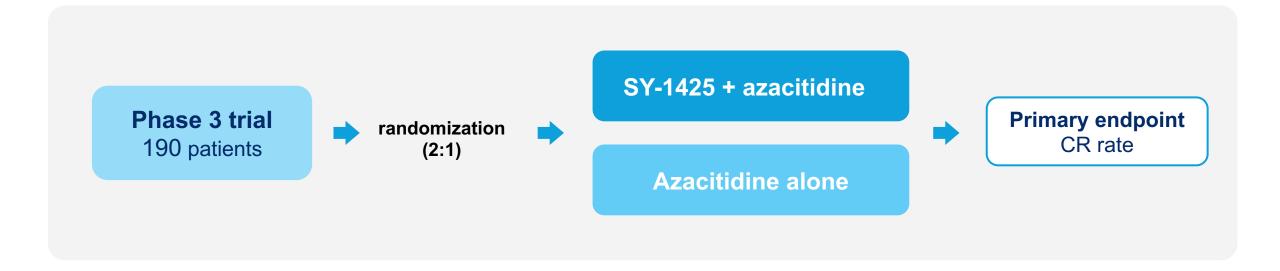
- HMAs are only approved agents
- Low CR rates ranging from 5-25%, with OS estimated between 15-25 months<sup>1, 3-4</sup>
- Only 45% of patients achieve transfusion independence<sup>3</sup>

# Our data suggest strong potential for SY-1425 in MDS

- Single-agent SY-1425 demonstrated clinical activity in R/R HR-MDS
- Analyses of RARA+ "low blast count" AML patients in Phase 2 trial demonstrated CR/CRi rate of 67% (n=6)
- No additive neutropenia/anemia



# Phase 3 trial in ND RARA-positive HR-MDS patients



- FDA feedback supports:
  - Focus on RARA+ population
  - CR as primary endpoint for accelerated/ full approval
  - Azacitidine as appropriate comparator

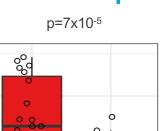
### **Key Milestones**

Trial initiated	1Q 2021
Potential NDA	2024



# New translational data support the potential for the RARA biomarker to enrich for patients unresponsive to standard of care

# **Analysis of SY-1425 Trial Patient Samples**



- 30% of patients do not respond to upfront treatment with ven/aza
- Venetoclax resistance associated with monocytic phenotype,<sup>1-3</sup> which includes low BCL2 and high MCL-1 expression
- Most RARA+ patients, including those who achieved CR/CRi in SY-1425 trial, have this monocytic phenotype<sup>4</sup>

RARA+ RARA-

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Monocytic Expression Signature

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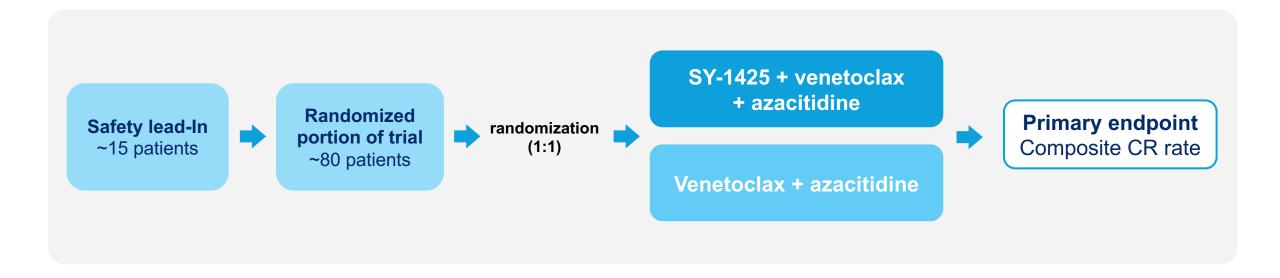
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Zhang, Nature 2018; <sup>2</sup>Kuusanmäki, Haematologica 2019; <sup>3</sup>Pei, Cancer Discovery 2020; <sup>4</sup>Fiore, ASH 2020

# Initiating randomized Phase 2 trial of triplet regimen in ND RARA-positive unfit AML patients



Plan to also evaluate triplet as salvage strategy for patients in control arm who don't respond to ven/aza

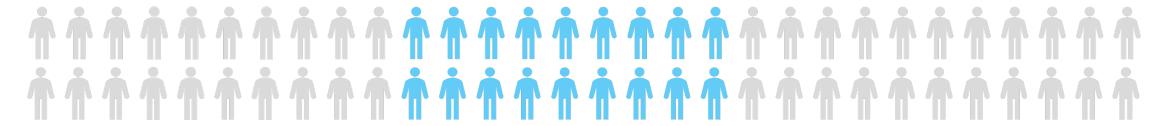
### **Key Milestones**

Initiate Phase 2 trial w/safety lead-in	2H 2021	
Initial data from Phase 2 trial	2022	



## ND HR-MDS and unfit AML represent significant market opportunities

# ~30% of all AML and MDS patients are RARA-positive



# **Newly diagnosed HR-MDS**

- ~15,000 new cases annually in US and EU
- Expected to grow into \$1B+ market
- No new approved agents, aside from HMAs, in a decade
- Existing options offer limited efficacy

# **Newly diagnosed unfit AML**

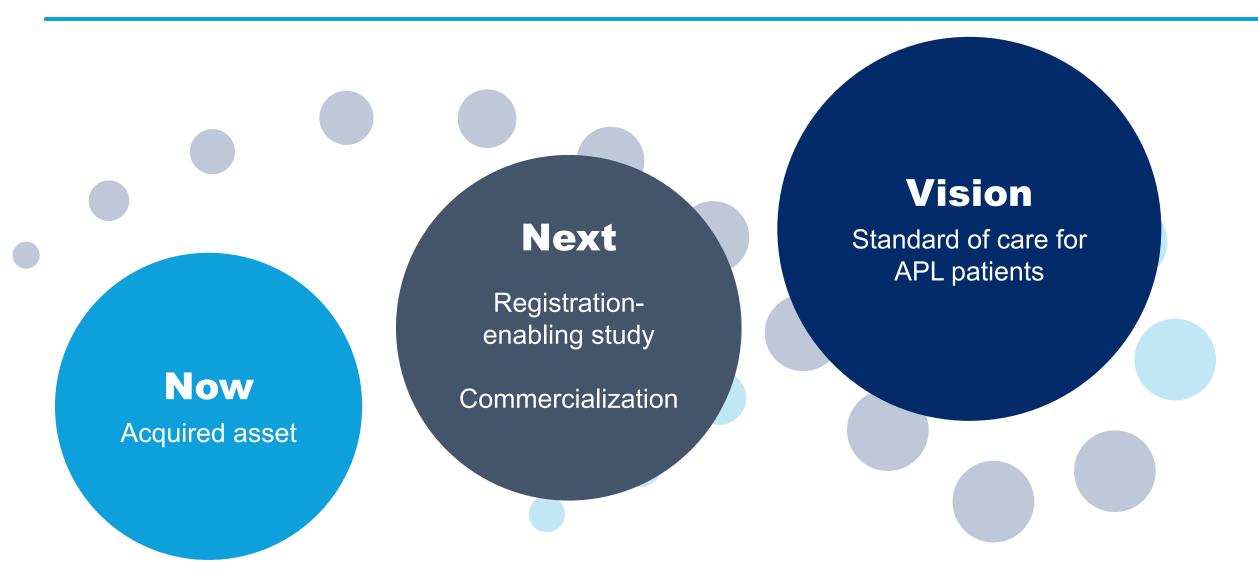
- Over 18,000 new cases annually in US and EU
- Expected to grow into \$2B+ market
- ~1/3 of patients don't respond to SOC ven/aza and have poor prognosis

Sources: Epidiemology and Sales projections from DRG Myelodysplastic Syndromes-Landscape & Forecast-Report 2020 and from DRG Acute Myelogenous Leukemia-Landscape & Forecast-Report 2020; Prevalence of RARA-positive patients based on data presented at ESH 2017 and ESH 2019; Resistant Ven population - Dinardo, NEJM 2020; Dinardo, Blood 2019



# SY-2101 Novel oral form of arsenic trioxide

### **Our vision for SY-2101**





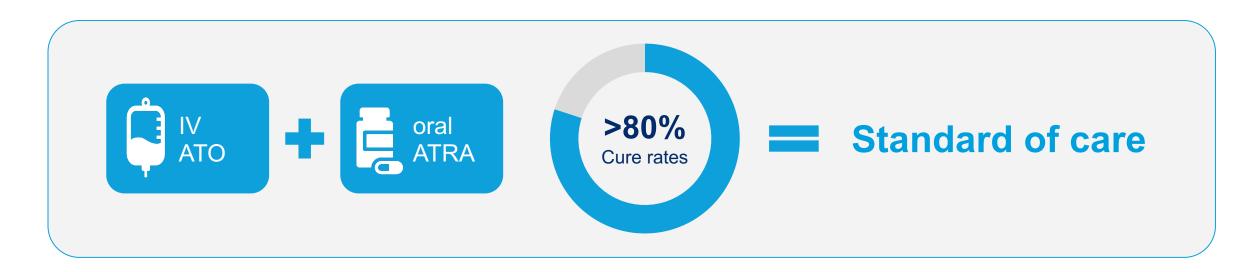
# SY-2101: Highly synergistic with our advancing targeted heme franchise

- Strategic opportunity as we accelerate toward becoming a commercial-stage company
- Potential to become standard of care in APL
  - Novel oral capsule of arsenic trioxide (ATO)
- Clinical-stage asset with opportunity for accelerated approval based on molecular CR
  - Potential NDA filing in 2024
- Orphan drug designation granted in US and EU
- Issued patents provide opportunity to extend exclusivity

Capitalizes on our expertise to build a leadership position in targeted therapies for hematologic disorders



# IV ATO is transformative therapy for APL patients but comes with heavy treatment burden



- Current course of treatment involves up to 140 two- to four-hour infusions over nearly a year
  - Induction up to 60 days of daily infusions until CR is achieved
  - Consolidation 80 days of 5 days/week for 4 weeks/cycle for 4 cycles/treatment course

Significant opportunity to reduce treatment burden, increase access and reduce health care costs and utilization



## Opportunity for SY-2101 to become standard of care in significant market





# **Newly diagnosed APL**

- Genetic fusion of RARA and PML genes
- ~2,000 patients diagnosed in US and Europe annually<sup>1,2</sup>
- ~\$250 million overall market opportunity based on current pricing for IV ATO<sup>3</sup>
- Opportunity to become the standard of care and be served with targeted sales force





# Completed Phase 1 PK study of SY-2101

**Dosing** 

Three dosing cohorts: 5, 10 and 15 mg orally Once daily

Patient population

12 patients with advanced hematologic malignancies

Median age: 76.5

Prior lines of therapy: Up to 5

**Safety** 

Generally well-tolerated with low-grade AEs Lower adverse events in liver enzymes (8.3%) compared to IV ATO (~44%) Lower QTc prolongation (8.3%) compared to IV ATO (25%)

**Pharmacokinetics** 

Good bioavailability, with generally dose proportional PK Achieves exposure levels (AUC and Cmax) in range of approved IV ATO dose

# Advancing SY-2101 toward registration-enabling Phase 3 trial



### FDA feedback supports:

- Molecular CR as primary endpoint for accelerated approval
- Event-free survival (EFS) as primary endpoint for full approval

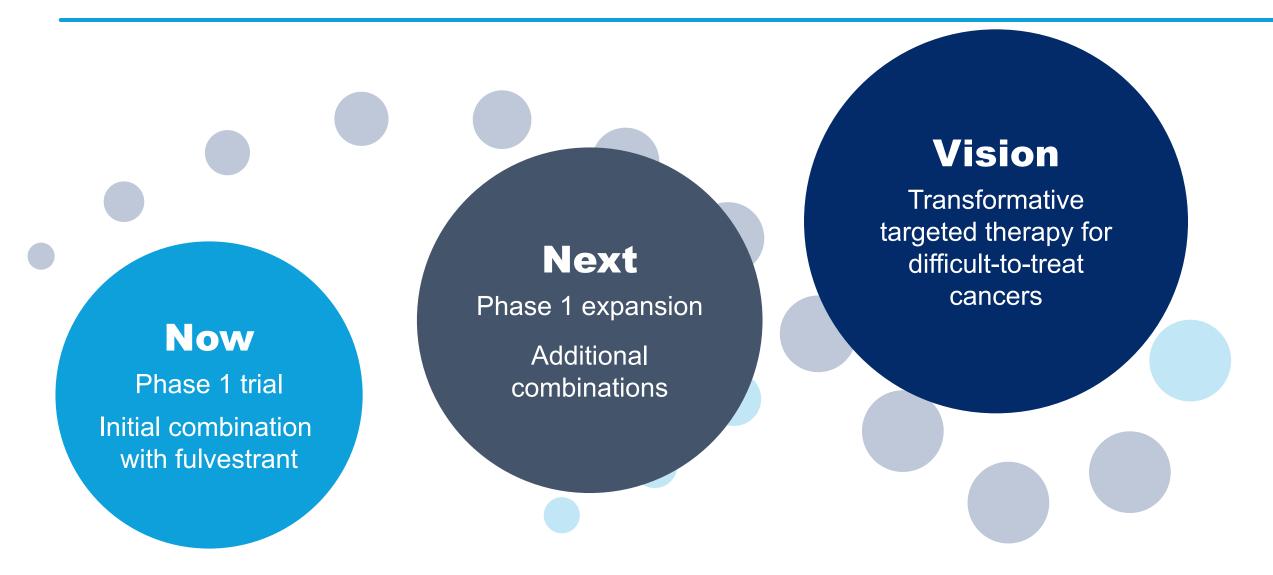
### **Key Milestones**

Initiate dose confirmation study	2H 2021
Confirmatory dose/PK data	1H 2022
Initiate Phase 3	2022
Potential NDA	2024



# SY-5609 Selective oral CDK7 inhibitor

### **Our vision for SY-5609**





# Selective CDK7 inhibition attacks two fundamental processes in cancer

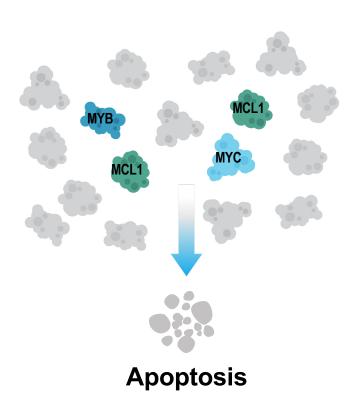
### **Transcription**

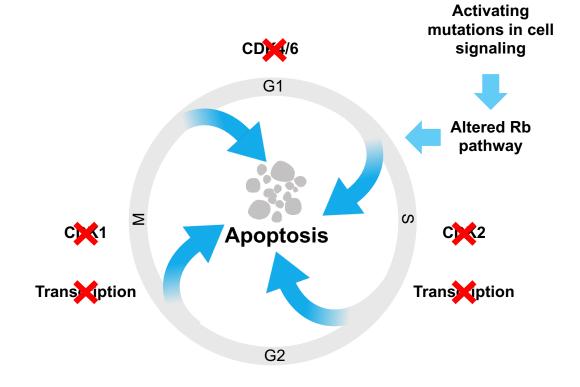
CDK7i

### **Cell Cycle**

CDK7i has been shown preclinically to decrease expression of these transcription factors and proteins

CDK7i disrupts the CDK and transcriptional activity needed to progress through the cell cycle







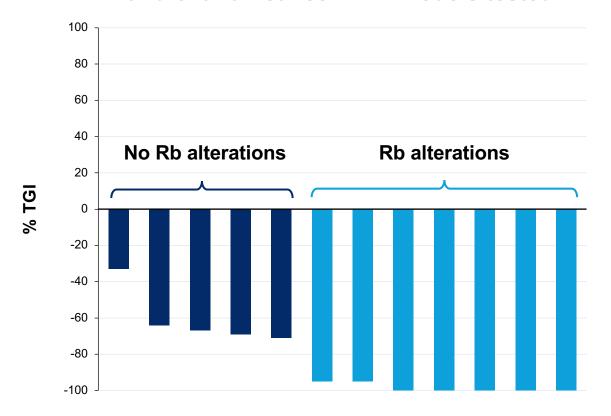
## Three-pronged development strategy to maximize potential of SY-5609

Compelling Leveraging Rb pathway alterations preclinical data **Strong mechanistic** Overcoming CDK4/6 resistance rationale Exploiting transcriptional and cell cycle High unmet need dependencies



# Rb alterations associated with deeper and more sustained responses in preclinical studies of breast, lung and ovarian cancers

# Tumor growth inhibition in all breast, lung and ovarian cancer PDX models tested



# **Supports Phase 1 trial enriched for populations with Rb alterations**

29% of basal breast cancer patients<sup>1</sup>

~1/3 of HR+ breast cancer patients post CDK4/6 inhibitors<sup>2</sup>

75-90% of small cell lung cancer patients<sup>3</sup>

67% of high-grade serous ovarian cancer patients<sup>4</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>TCGA Breast Cancer Integrated Analysis, Nature 2012

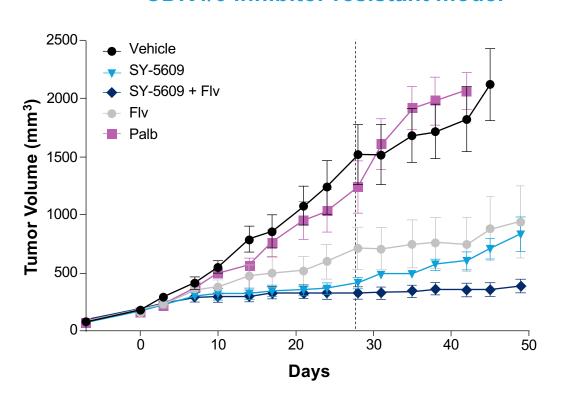
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Spring et al., San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium 2018

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Cancer Med. 2019 Apr; 8(4): 1459–146

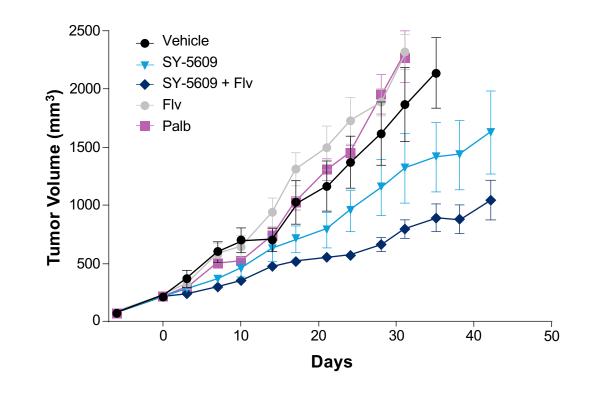
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>TCGA Ovarian Cancer Integrated Analysis, Nature 2011

# Overcoming treatment resistance: SY-5609 induces robust responses in preclinical HR+ breast cancer models

#### CDK4/6 inhibitor resistant model



#### CDK4/6 inhibitor and hormonal resistant model



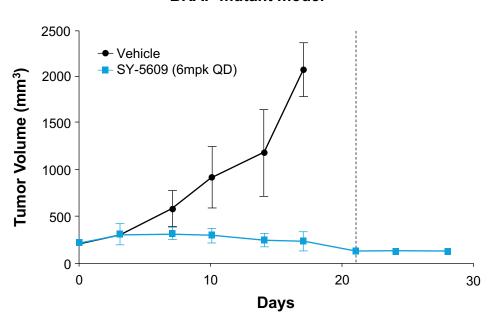
Palb: palbociclib, 50mg/kg once daily, oral; Flv: fulvestrant, 2.5mg/kg once weekly, sub-cutaneuous, SY-5609: 6 mg/kg once daily, oral



# Targeting dependencies on transcription and cell cycle control induces robust responses in preclinical colorectal and pancreatic cancer models

#### **Colorectal Cancer**

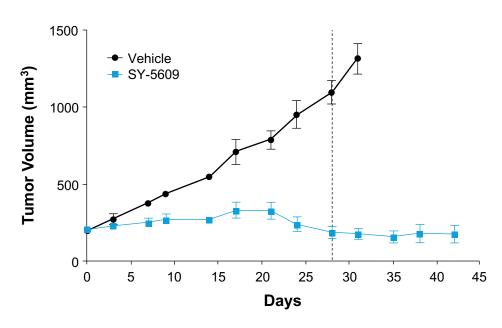
#### **BRAF-mutant model**



- 67% (20/30) of models demonstrated ≥ 50% TGI
- 23% (7/30) demonstrated deep responses of ≥ 90% TGI
- Deep responses enriched in BRAF-mutant (5/10) models

#### **Pancreatic Cancer**

#### **KRAS-mutant model**



- 75% (6/8) of models demonstrated ≥50% TGI
- Regressions seen in 50% (4/8) of models
- Responses observed in CDKN2A-mutant and non-mutant and TP53-mutant and non-mutant models



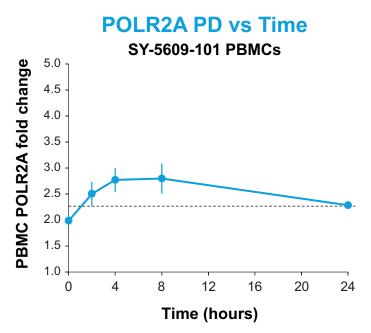
## Ongoing Phase 1 dose-escalation trial in select solid tumors



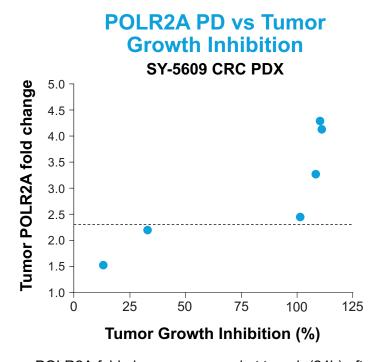
- Advanced solid tumor populations- breast, colorectal, lung, ovarian, pancreatic, and tumors with Rb alterations
- Established MTD for continuous daily dosing
- Additional dose escalation data, including clinical activity, expected in Q3 2021
- Expansion phase of Phase 1 trial expected to start in second half of 2021



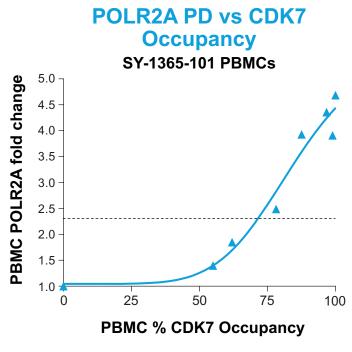
# SY-5609 induced biological activity associated with tumor regressions in preclinical models and clinical activity with first-generation CDKi



 POLR2A fold-change measured at steady state (day 15) with 3 mg continuous daily dosing



- POLR2A fold-change measured at trough (24h) after single dose
- Tumor growth inhibition measured at end of 28 day cycle (cycle = SY-5609 gdx21d, 7d off)



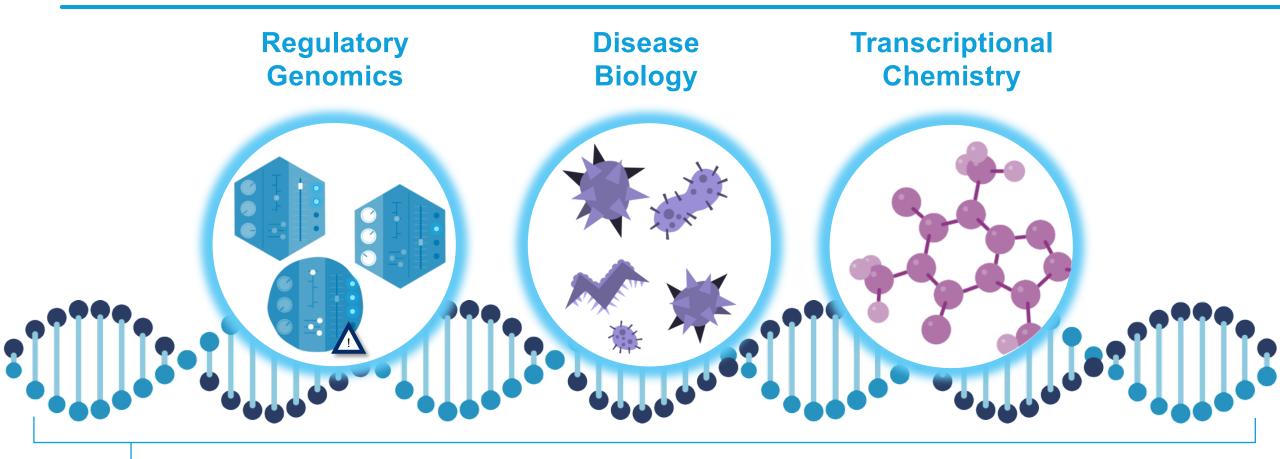
 POLR2A fold-change similar between PBMCs and tumor biopsies

- AEs predominantly low grade; most frequent related AEs include nausea, diarrhea, fatigue, platelet count decrease and vomiting
- In patients treated in combination with fulvestrant, safety profile was consistent with single-agent treatment with SY-5609

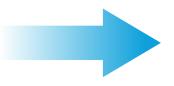


# Gene Control Discovery Engine

## Redefining the power of small molecules to control expression of genes



**98%** Previously unexplored regulatory regions of the genome control expression of genes determining cell function; majority of disease variation found in these regions





### **Patient Impact**

Medicines that control the expression of genes to provide profound benefit for patients with severe diseases



# Robust early-stage pipeline to fuel long-term growth

Therapeutic Area	Program	Target Development	Drug Discovery	IND-Enabling	Commercial Rights
Cancer	CDK12 inhibitor				SYR∵S
	Target 1				SYR∵S
	Target 2				SYR∵S
	Myeloproliferative neoplasms				Incyte
Cancer/Immune modulation	Macrophage target				SYR∵S
Monogenic Disease	Sickle cell disease & beta thalassemia				<b>GBT</b> Syros US co-promote option
	Myotonic dystrophy type 1				SYR∵S

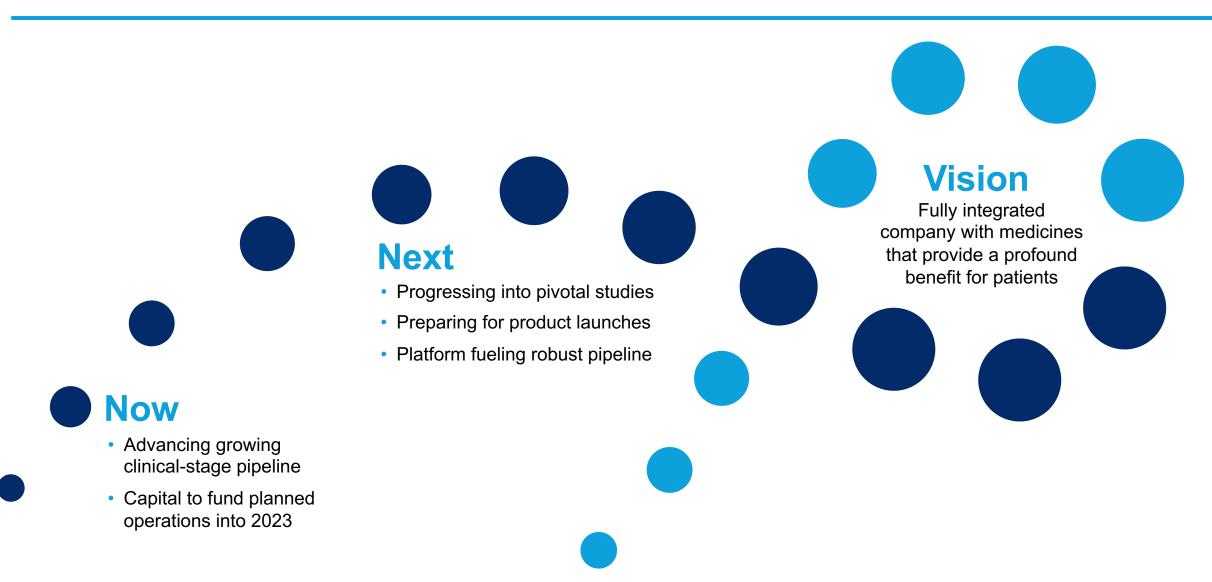


# Multiple expected value-driving milestones and strong cash position

<b>SY-1425</b> w/ aza	Initiate Phase 3 registration trial in ND HR-MDS Potential NDA filing in ND HR-MDS	2024
<b>SY-1425</b> w/ ven+aza	Initiate Phase 2 trial w/ safety lead-in in ND unfit AML Initial data from Phase 2 trial in ND unfit AML	2H 2021 2022
SY-2101	Initiate dose confirmation study Confirmatory dose/PK data Initiate Phase 3 registration trial in ND APL Potential NDA filing	2H 2021 1H 2022 2022 2024
SY-5609	Additional dose-escalation data, including clinical activity Initiate expansion phase of Phase 1	Q3 2021 2H 2021
Discovery	Name next development candidate	2022



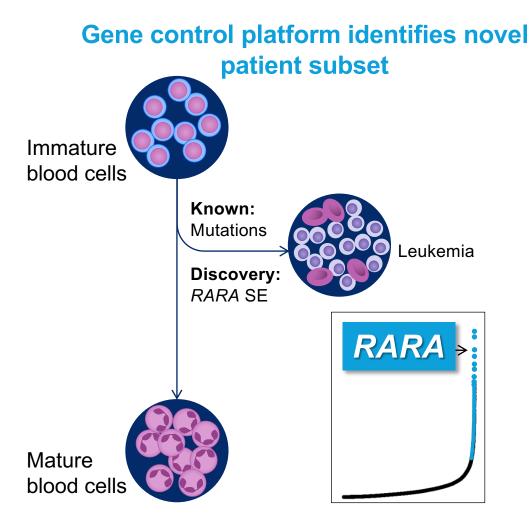
# Rapidly advancing toward our vision





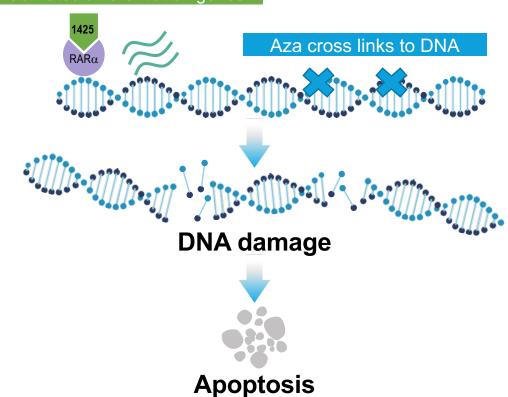
## Appendix

## SY-1425: Novel, first-in-class RARα agonist with broad combination potential



#### **SY-1425** enhances apoptosis preclinically

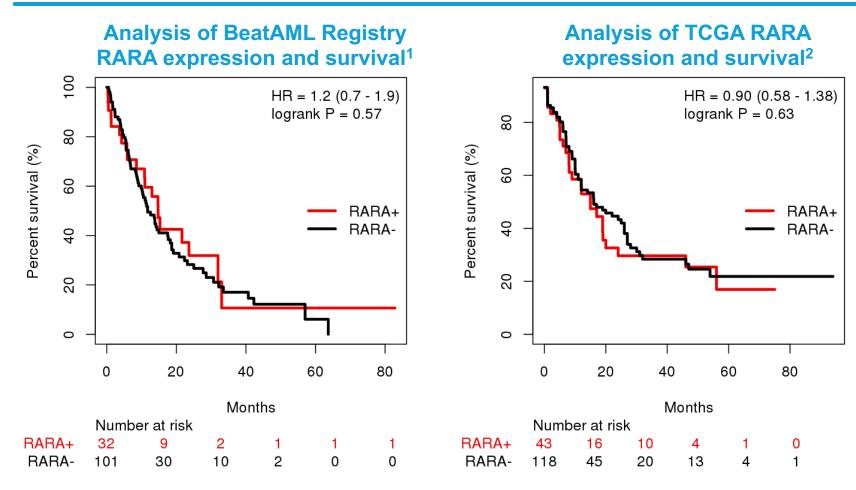
SY-1425 binds to RARα and activates differentiation genes



Distinct MOA, tolerability and preclinical synergy with multiple AML agents



## RARA is not a prognostic biomarker in AML patients



Independent analyses of BeatAML<sup>1</sup>, TCGA<sup>2</sup>, and AML patient sample analyses<sup>3</sup> show that prognosis is similar regardless of levels of RARα expression

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> McKeown et al., Superenhancer Analysis Defines Novel Epigenomic Subtypes of Non-APL AML, Including an RARa Dependency Targetable by SY-1425, a Potent and Selective RARa Agonist, Cancer Discovery 2017



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Tyner et al., Functional Genomic Landscape of Acute Myeloid Leukaemia, Nature 2018

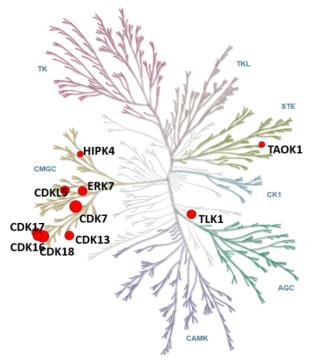
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>TCGA Research Network, Genomic and Epigenomic Landscapes of Adult De Novo Acute Myeloid Leukemia, NEJM 2013; Expression and survival data from PanCancerAtlas portal on GDC: <a href="https://gdc.cancer.gov/about-data/publications/pancanatlas">https://gdc.cancer.gov/about-data/publications/pancanatlas</a>

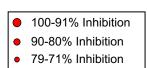
# SY-1425/azacitidine combination: Clinical activity observed in heavily pretreated RARA-positive R/R AML

- ORR of 19% (4/21) with 2 responding patients continuing on treatment at months 8 and 9, respectively
  - 1 CRc
  - 2 CRi
  - 1 MLFS
- Higher ORR of 43% (3/7) in HMA and ven naïve patients
- Transfusion independence in 30% (6/20)
- Median OS of 5.9 months (95% CI: 3.1, 9.9)



### SY-5609: Highly selective and potent oral CDK7 inhibitor



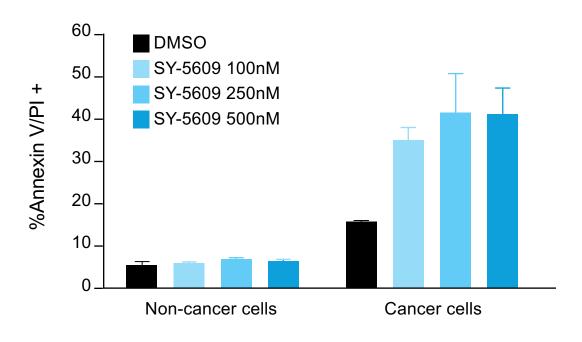


0.06 nM potency for CDK7

13,000- to 49,000-fold more selective for CDK7 over CDK2, CDK9 and CDK12

Only 4 of 485 kinases inhibited at ≥ 90%

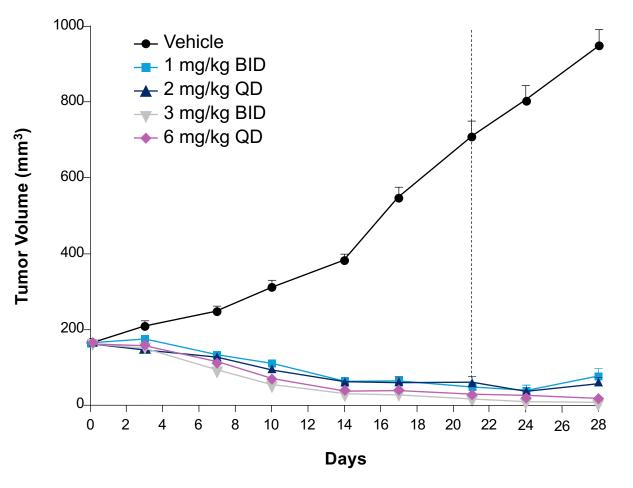
## Induced apoptosis in cancer cells but not in non-cancer cells





## SY-5609: Tumor growth inhibition observed below MTD in preclinical models

#### Triple negative breast cancer model



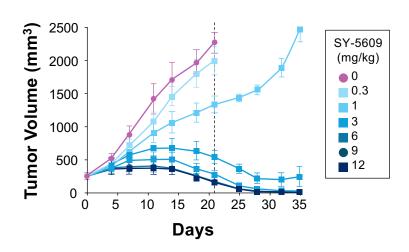
 Regressions observed at 5-fold below MTD of ≥10 mg/kg QD

---- Dashed lines represent end of treatment

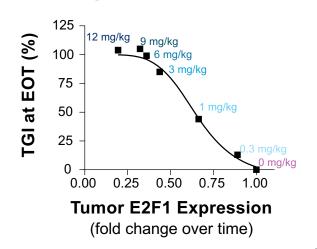


## SY-5609: Dose-dependent tumor growth inhibition and PD effects in tumor tissue in preclinical colorectal cancer models

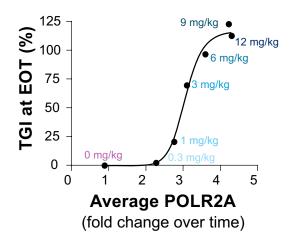
#### **Tumor growth inhibition**



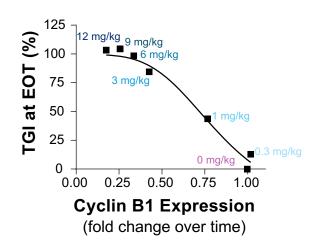
#### **Dose-dependent decrease in E2F1**



#### **Dose-dependent increase in POLR2A**



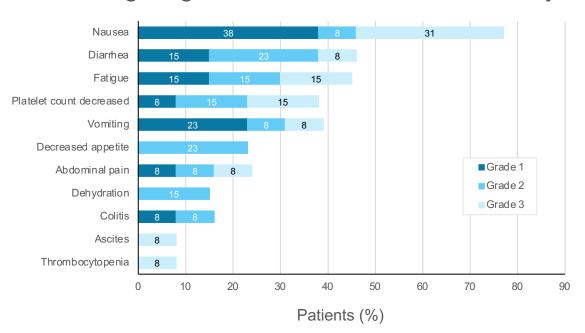
#### Dose-dependent decrease in cyclin B1



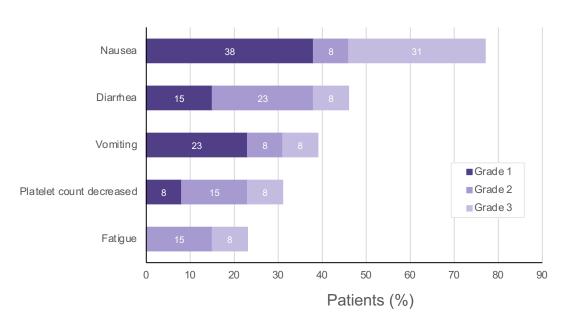


## SY-5609: Safety overview from early dose-escalation data (n=17)

#### Single Agent Adverse Events; All Causality



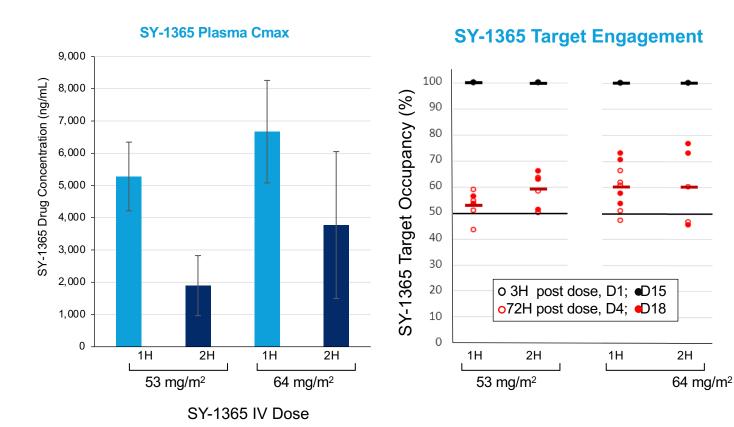
#### Single Agent Related Adverse Events



- Predominantly low grade; most frequent related AEs include nausea, diarrhea, fatigue, platelet count decrease and vomiting
- DLTs: nausea and thrombocytopenia (5 mg); fatigue and abdominal pain (4 mg)
- MTD for continuous daily dosing defined as 3 mg
- In patients treated in combination with fulvestrant, safety profile was consistent with single-agent treatment with SY-5609



## SY-1365: Peri-infusional AEs in Phase 1 trial were associated with peak blood concentrations and not CDK7 target engagement



#### Infusion-associated Adverse Events (≥ 20%)\*

Preferred Term	All Grades n (%)		≥ Grade 3 n (%)	
	N = 31	N = 24	N = 31	N = 24
	1 hour	2 hour	1 hour	2 hour
Headache	19 (61)	12 (50)	2 (6)	0 (0)
Nausea	12 (39)	5 (21)	1 (3)	0 (0)
Vomiting	10 (32)	1 (4)	1 (3)	0 (0)

<sup>\*</sup>Includes AEs experienced in patients treated with 53 mg/m² and 64 mg/m²

Longer infusions maintained CDK7 target engagement while lowering peak drug concentrations and decreasing frequency and severity of peri-infusional AEs

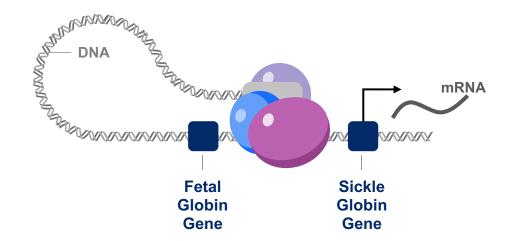
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## Applying our platform to monogenic diseases: sickle cell disease and beta thalassemia

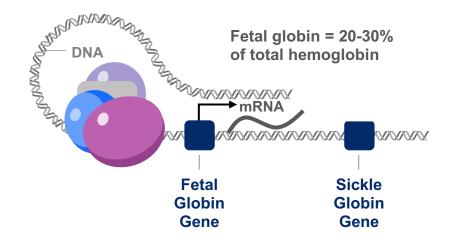
## Clinical and genetic data point to therapeutic benefit of elevated fetal globin

- SCD and beta thalassemia caused by mutated adult globin gene
- Fetal globin gene typically turned off at birth
- In some SCD and beta thalassemia patients, fetal globin stays on and is associated with milder disease



## Using gene control platform to elevate fetal globin expression

- Characterized transcriptional programs that determine globin expression in fetal and adult states
- Identified and targeting LRF and components of the NuRD complex with small molecules





## SY-2101 transaction overview and \$90.5 million strategic financing

### **Asset acquisition**

- Upfront cash payment of \$12 million
- Additional regulatory milestone of \$6 million in APL indication
- Aggregate sales milestones of up to \$10 million

### Strategic financing

- Completed strategic financing yielding \$90.5 million in gross proceeds
- Led by Bain Capital Life Sciences with participation from additional new and existing investors



