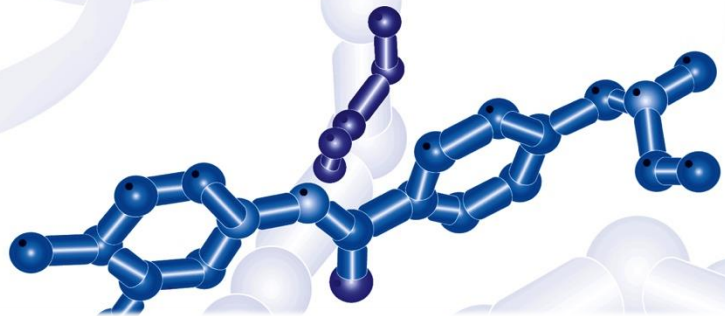




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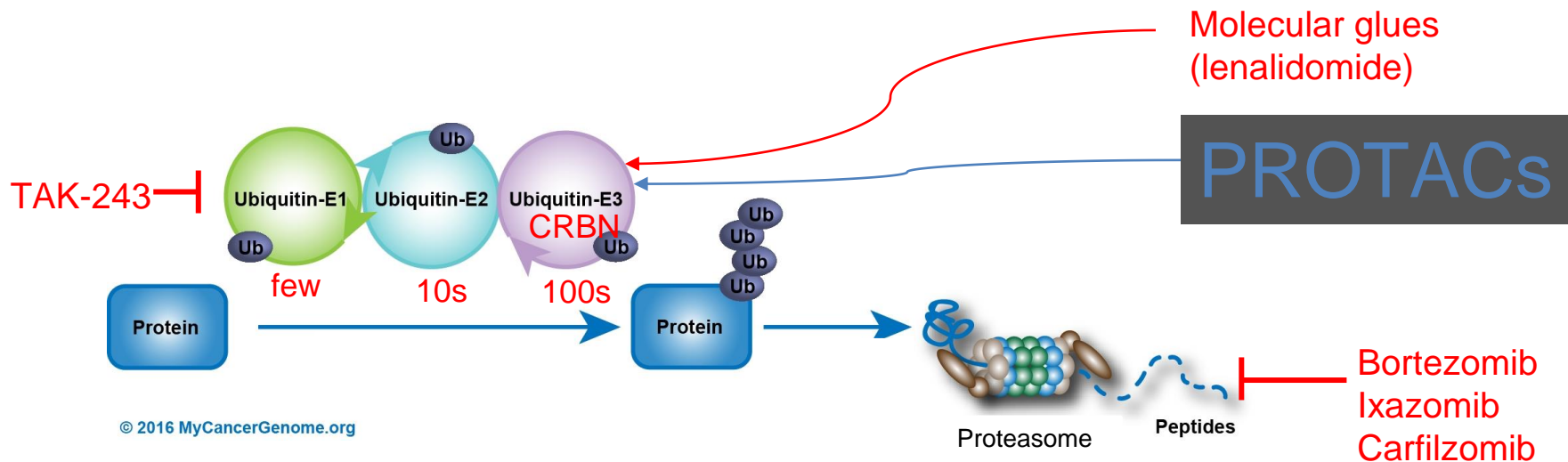
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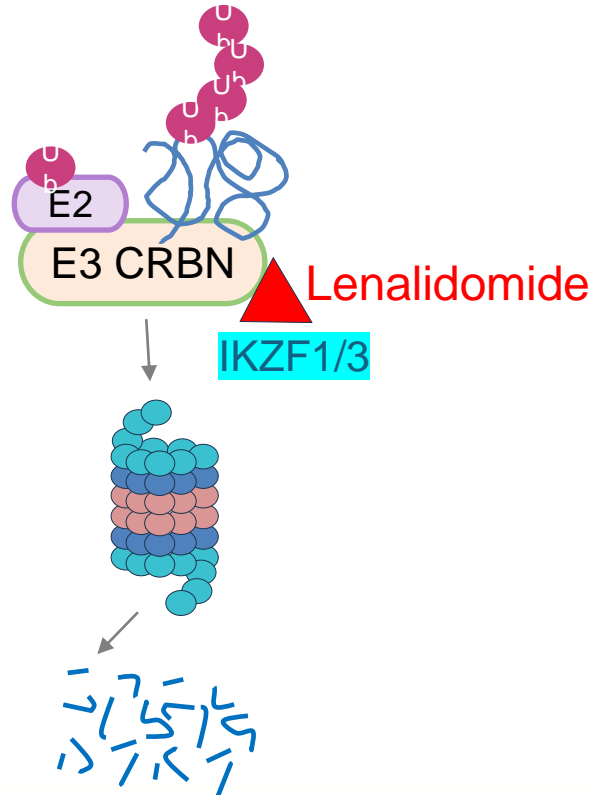
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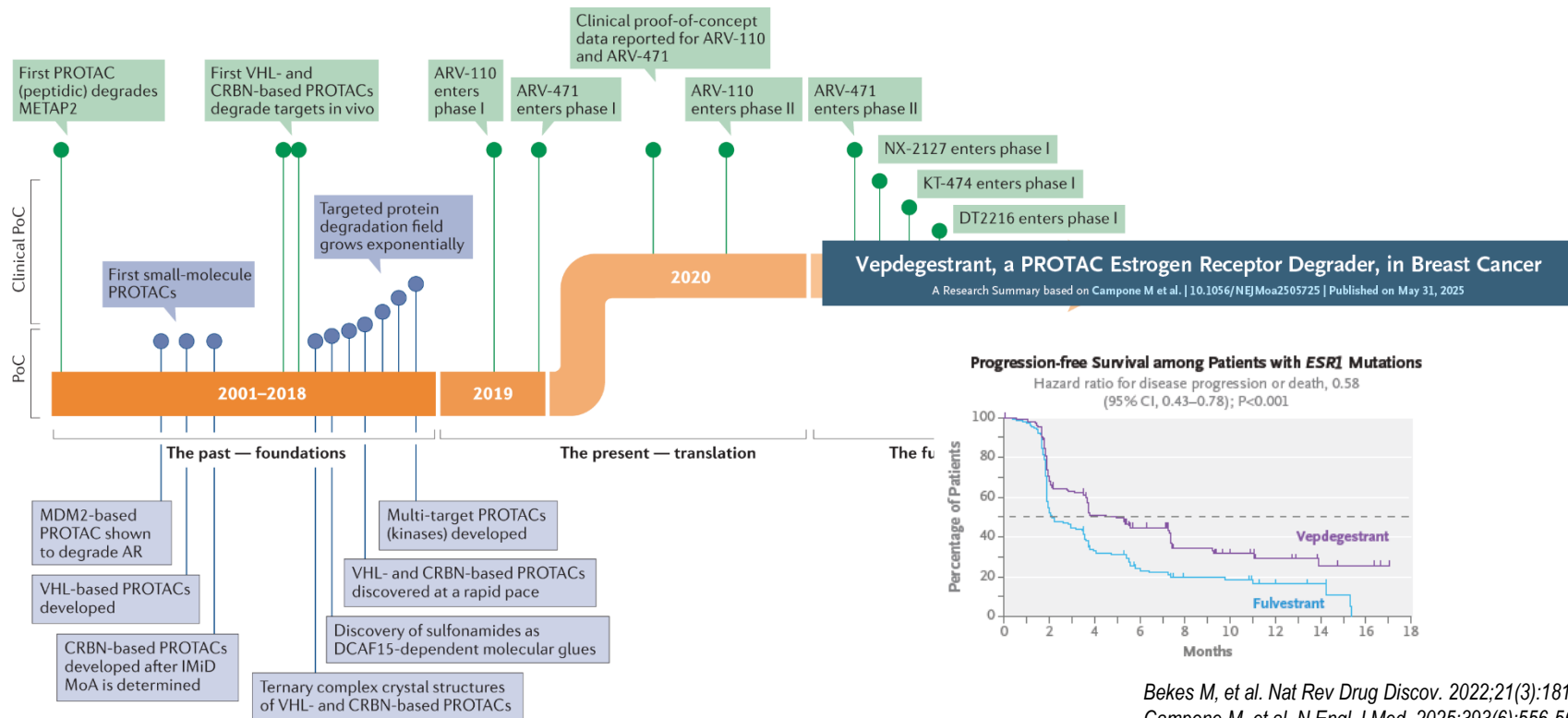
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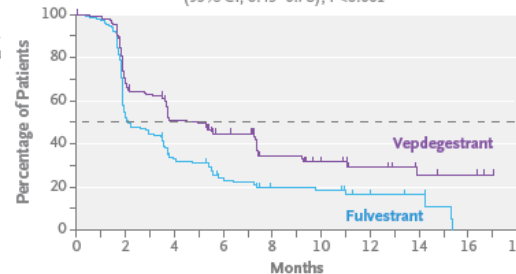
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## Timeline of PROTAC Development

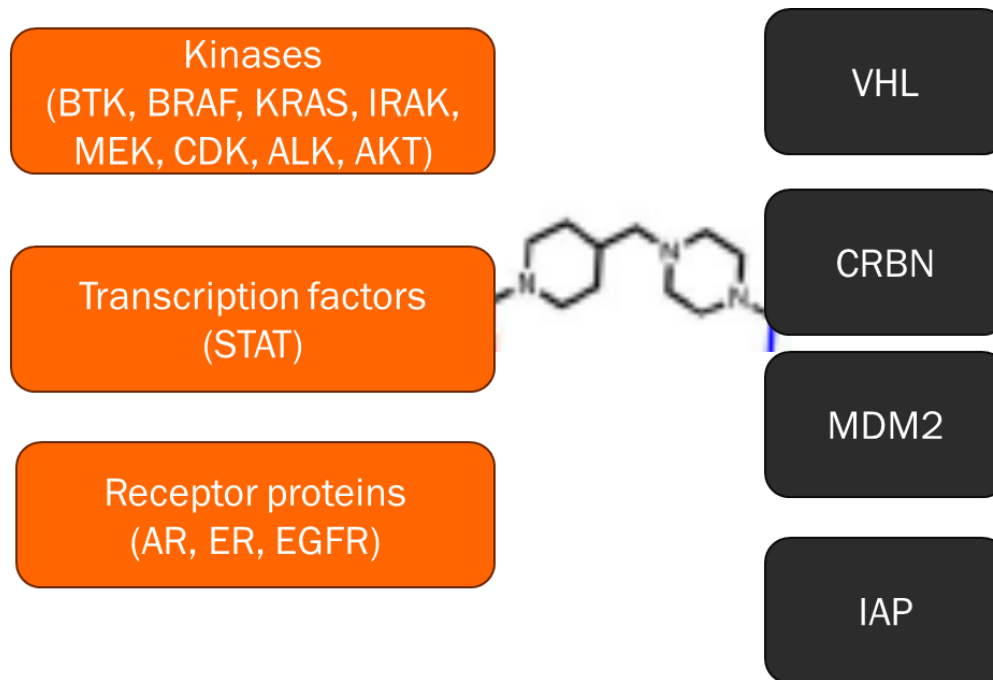


**Progression-free Survival among Patients with ESR1 Mutations**  
Hazard ratio for disease progression or death, 0.58 (95% CI, 0.43–0.78); P<0.001

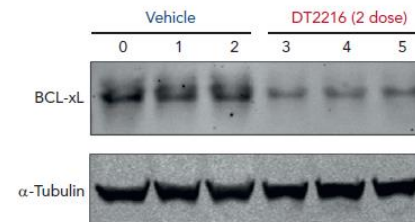
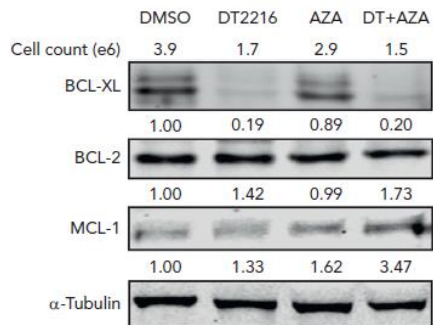
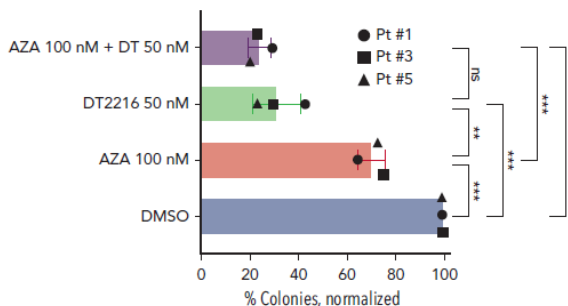
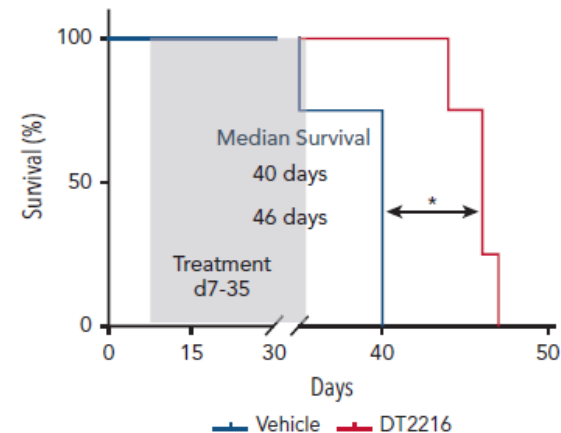
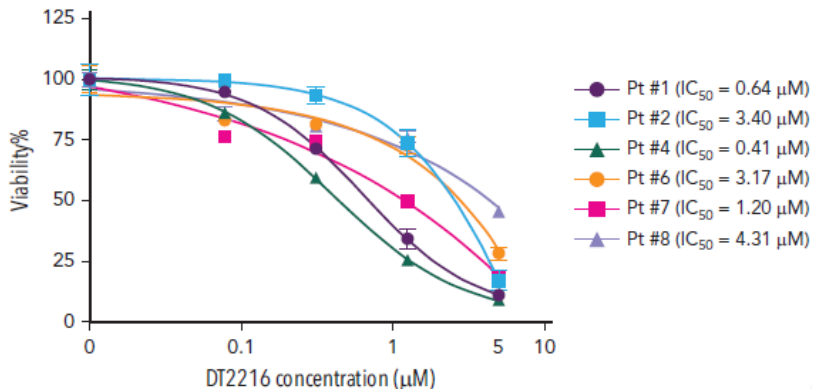


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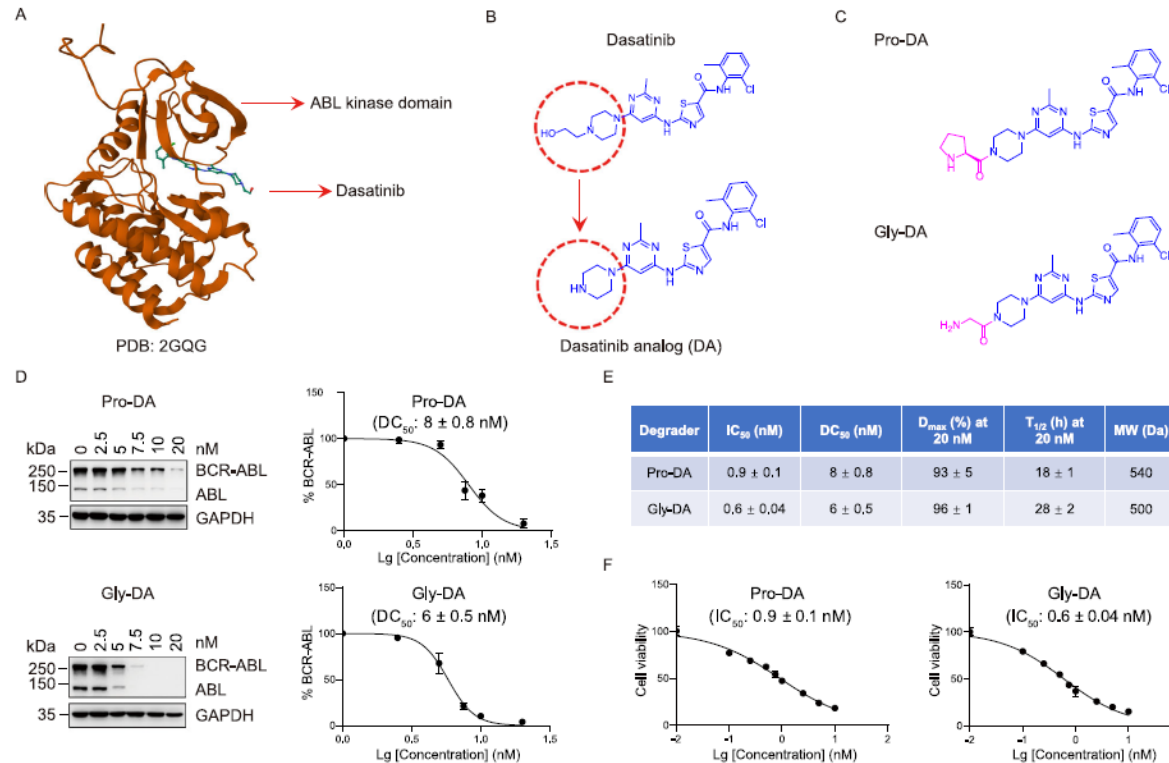
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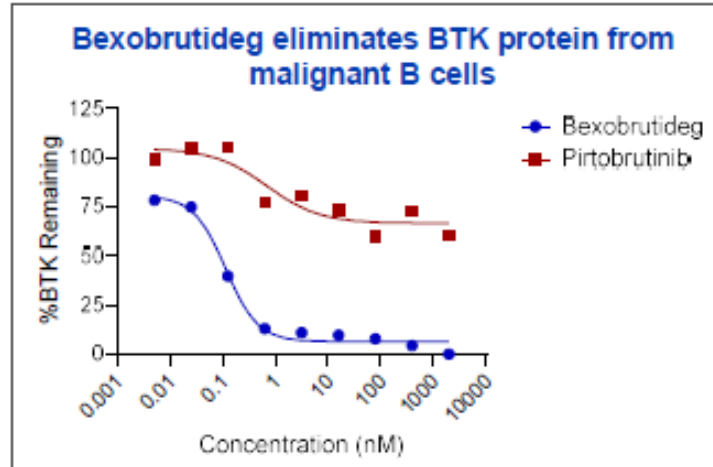
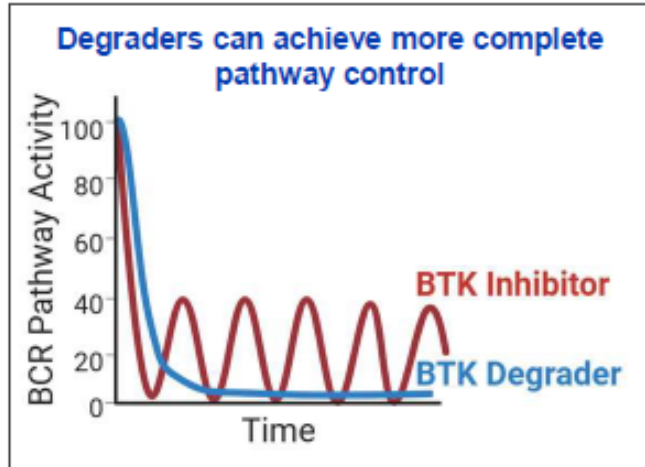
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## Dasatinib Analog, a Linker-free Bcr-Abl Degraders

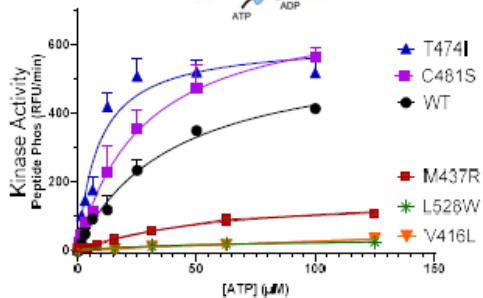
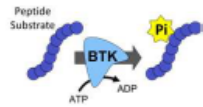


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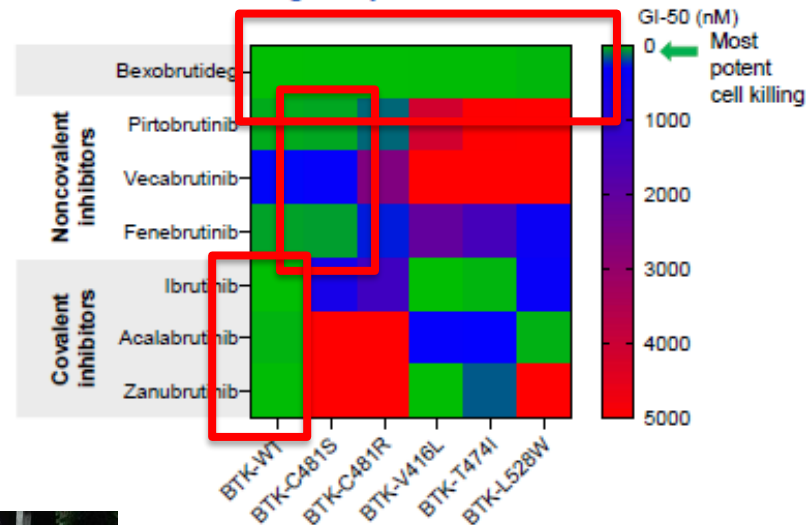
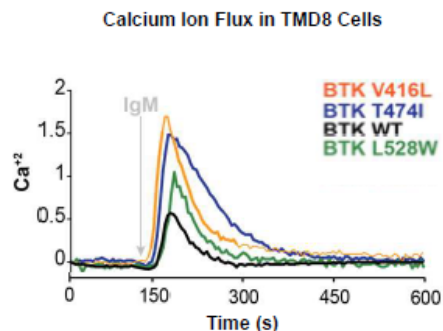


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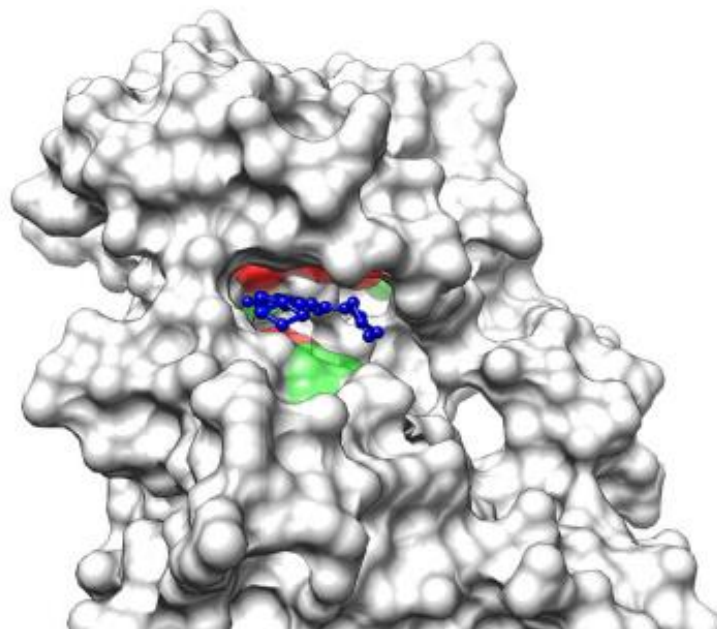
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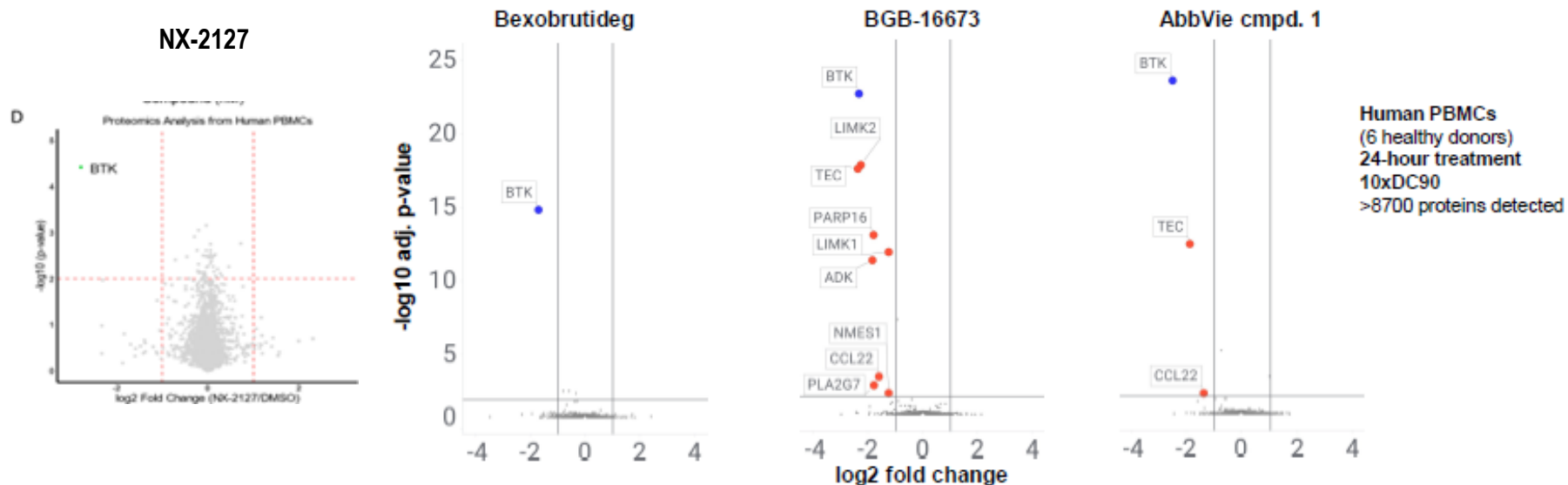
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# Bexobrutideg Binds in ATP Pocket Avoiding Interactions with Common Mutations



# BTK Degraders are Highly Selective Compounds

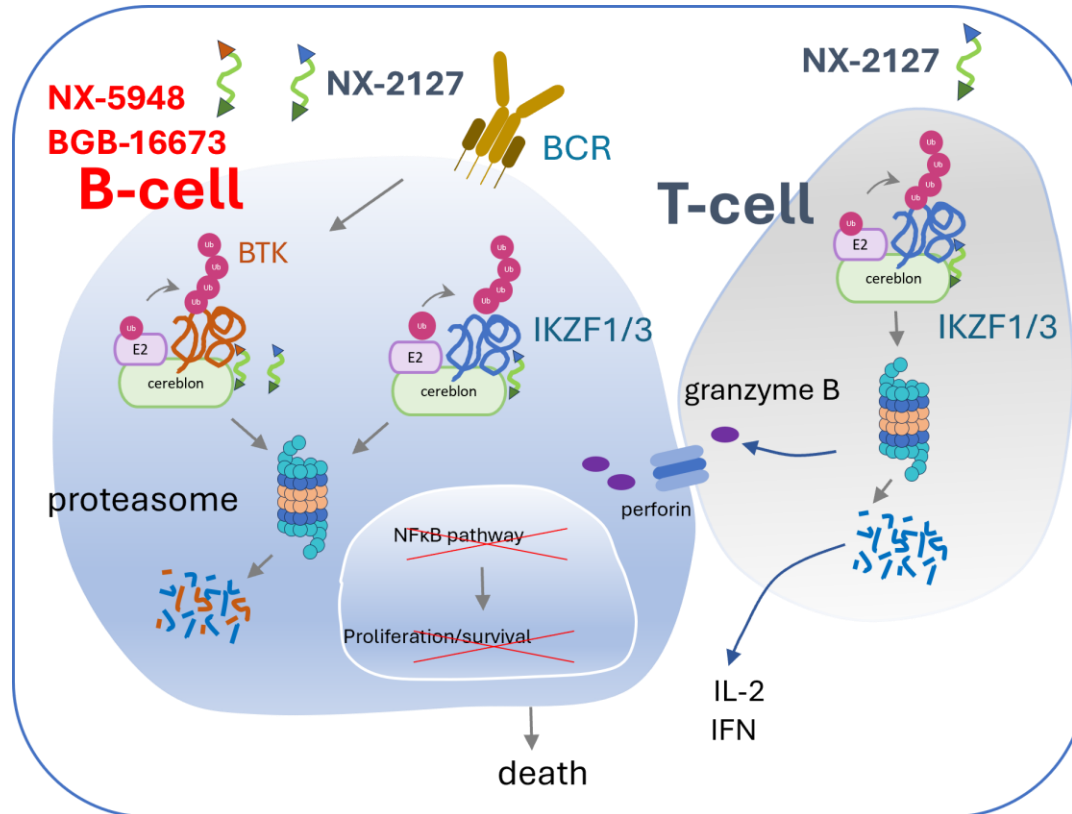


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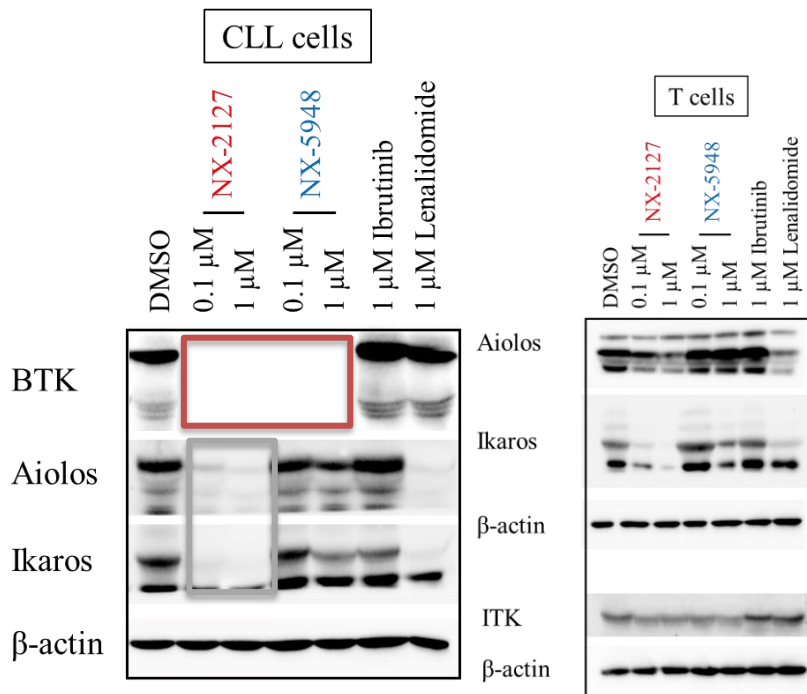
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## CRBN-recruiting degraders NX-2127 (zelebrudomide), NX-5948 (bexobrutideg) and BGB-16673

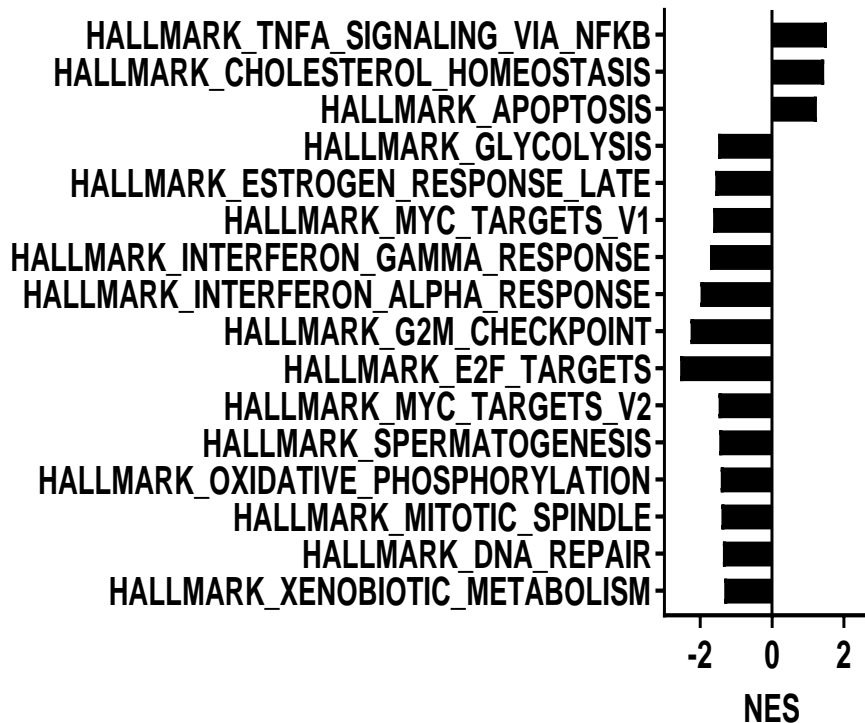


## BTK and IKZF degradation by NX c

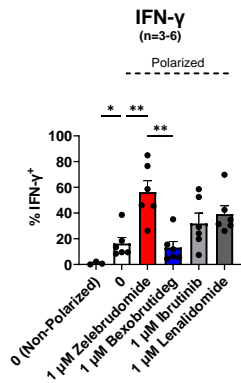


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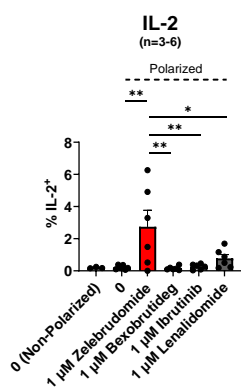
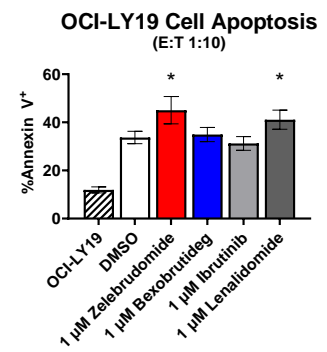
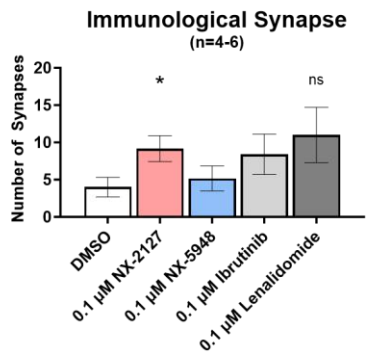
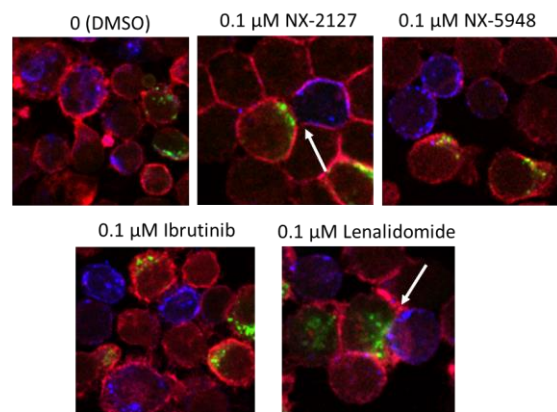
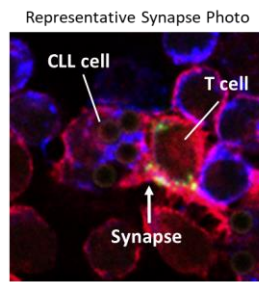
## Bexobrutideg vs. DMSO (24h)



## NX-2127 enhances synapse formation and cytotoxicity



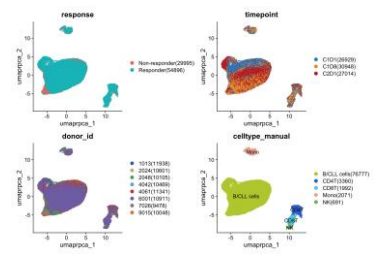
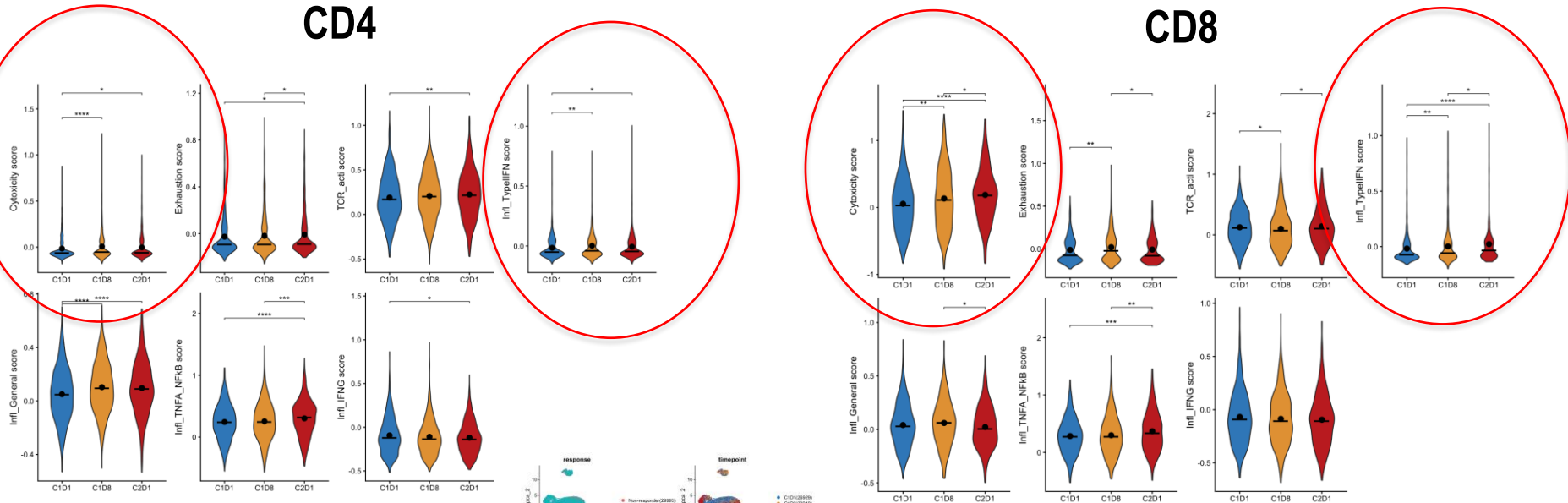
**F-actin:** T cells and CLL cells  
**Cell Tracker:** CLL cells  
**Granzyme B:** Synapse



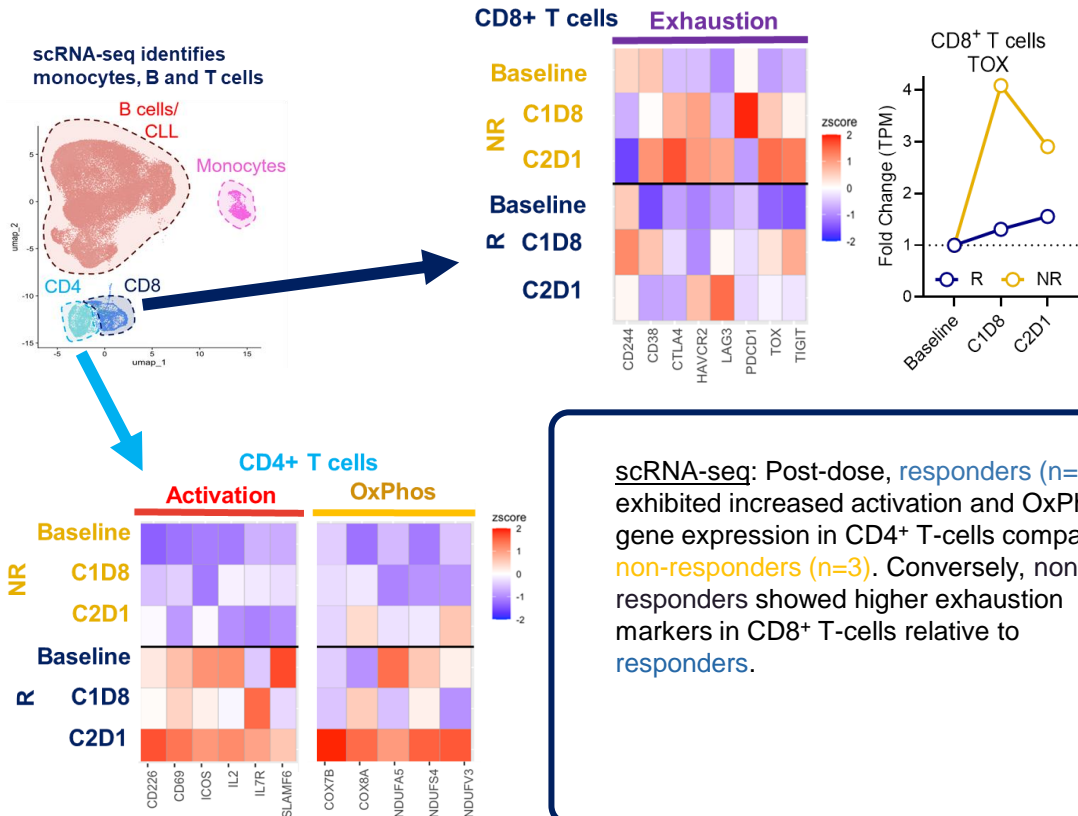
## Increased Cytotoxicity and IFN- $\gamma$ Score in T cells from patients treated with NX-2127

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### CD8

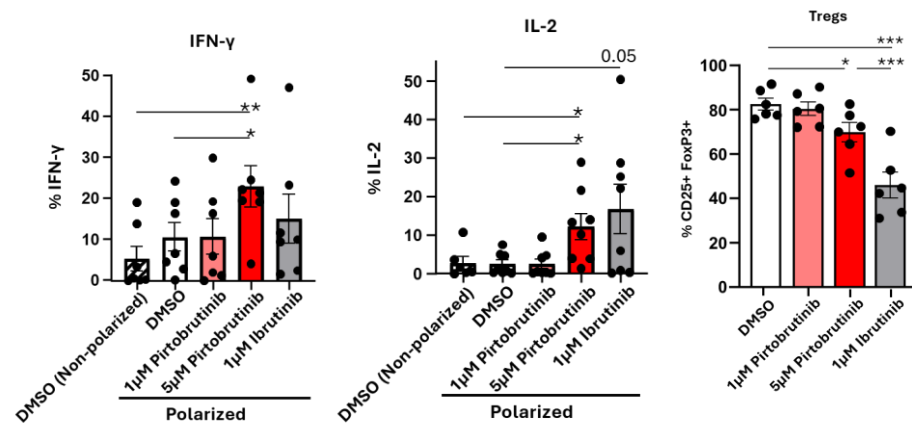


## T cell signatures predict response to NX-2127

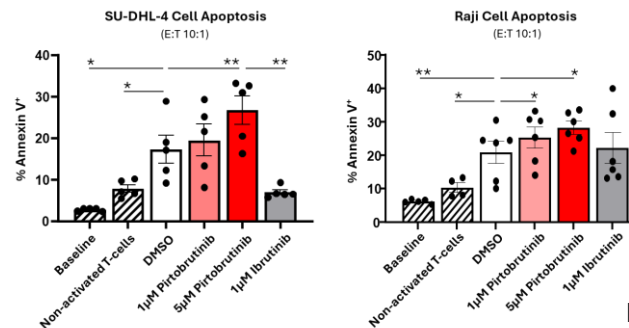
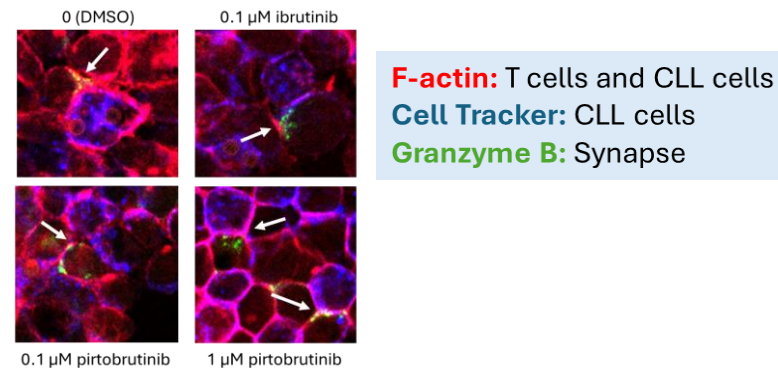


## Pirtobrutinib may partially reverse the immunosuppressive TME

### PIRTOBRUTINIB PROMOTES $T_H1$ POLARIZATION AND REDUCES $T_{REG}$ DIFFERENTIATION



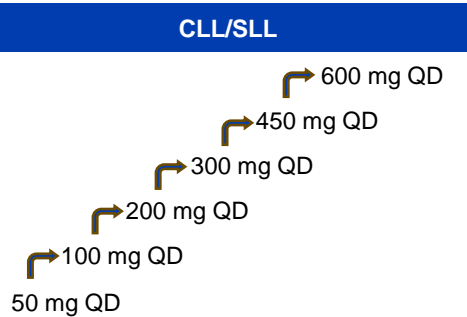
### PIRTOBRUTINIB ENHANCES IMMUNOLOGICAL SYNAPSE AND PROMOTES CYTOTOXICITY



# Bexobrutideg Phase 1a/b (NX-5948-301) Trial Design

## Phase 1a/b clinical trial in adults with relapsed/refractory B-cell malignancies

### Phase 1a dose escalation (fully enrolled)



### CLL Phase 1b randomized cohort 1 (fully enrolled; 200 vs 600 mg)

CLL/SLL 200 mg QD  
Prior BTKi and BCL2i

CLL/SLL 600 mg QD  
Prior BTKi and BCL2i

### CLL Phase 1b expansion, other cohorts (ongoing; all 600 mg)

Non-C481S BTK  
mutations, prior  
BTKi and BCL2i

Prior non-covalent  
BTKi, no BCL2i

TP53 or 17p  
deletion, 2L, prior  
BTKi, no BCL2i

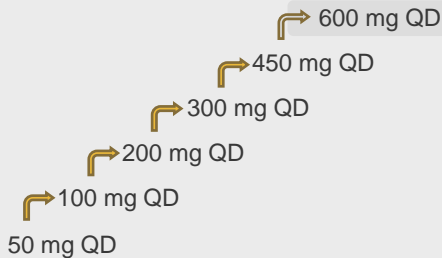
2L+, prior BTKi,  
no BCL2i

BTKi-naïve

With wAIHA,  
prior BTKi

With CNS  
involvement,  
prior BTKi

### WM/NHL



### NHL/WM Phase 1b expansion cohorts (600 mg)

**MZL**  
Marginal zone  
lymphoma

**FL**  
Follicular lymphoma

**WM**  
Waldenström  
macroglobulinemia

**MCL**  
Mantle cell lymphoma

**DLBCL**  
Diffuse large B-cell  
lymphoma

**PCNSL**  
Primary CNS  
lymphoma

2L+, second line +; BCL2i, B-cell lymphoma 2 inhibitor; BTKi, Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitor; CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; CNS, central nervous system; NHL, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; QD, once daily; SLL, small lymphocytic lymphoma; wAIHA, warm autoimmune hemolytic anemia; WM, Waldenström macroglobulinemia

# Demographics in Overall Population (Phase 1a/b)

## Population representative of CLL/SLL demographics

Characteristics	Phase 1a/b – all patients (n=126)
<b>Median age</b> , years (range)	69.0 (35–88)
<b>Sex</b> , n (%)	
Female	42 (33.3)
Male	84 (66.7)
<b>Ethnicity</b> , n (%)	
Hispanic or Latino	5 (4.0)
Not Hispanic or Latino	114 (90.5)
Not reported	5 (4.0)
Unknown	2 (1.6)
<b>Race</b> , n (%)	
Black or African American	8 (6.3)
White	110 (87.3)
Not reported	7 (5.6)
Other	1 (0.8)

# Baseline Disease Characteristics in Phase 1a/b and 1a

## Multiple prior lines of therapy and a high prevalence of baseline mutations

Characteristics	Phase 1a/b – all patients (n=126)	Phase 1a (n=48)
<b>ECOG PS, n (%)</b>		
0	45 (35.7)	19 (39.6)
1	81 (64.3)	29 (60.4)
<b>CNS involvement, n (%)</b>	5 (4.0)	5 (10.4)
<b>Median prior lines of therapy, n (range)</b>	3.0 (1–17)	4.0 (2–12)
<b>Previous treatments,<sup>a</sup> n (%)</b>		
BTKi	108 (85.7)	47 (97.9)
cBTKi	106 (84.1)	47 (97.9)
ncBTKi	34 (27.0)	13 (27.1)
BCL2i	78 (61.9)	40 (83.3)
BTKi and BCL2i	75 (59.5)	39 (81.3)
CAR-T therapy	9 (7.1)	3 (6.3)
Bispecific antibody	5 (4.0)	1 (2.1)
PI3Ki	26 (20.6)	14 (29.2)
Chemo/chemo-immunotherapies	84 (66.7)	35 (72.9)
<b>Mutation status,<sup>b</sup> n (%)</b>	(n=111)	(n=47)
<i>BTK</i>	44 (39.6)	18 (38.3)
<i>TP53</i>	44 (39.6)	21 (44.7)
<i>PLCG2</i>	9 (8.1)	7 (14.9)
<i>BCL2</i>	8 (7.2)	6 (12.8)

<sup>a</sup>Patients could have received multiple prior treatments; <sup>b</sup>Mutations presented here were centrally sequenced

**BCL2**, B-cell lymphoma 2; **BCL2i**, BCL2 inhibitor; **BTK**, Bruton's tyrosine kinase; **BTKi**, BTK inhibitor; **cBTKi**, covalent BTKi; **CAR-T**, chimeric antigen receptor T cell; **CNS**, central nervous system; **ECOG PS**, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status; **ncBTKi**, non-covalent BTKi; **PI3Ki**, phosphoinositide 3-kinase inhibitor; **PLCG2**, phospholipase C gamma 2

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# Overall Safety Summary in Phase 1a/b 600 mg Group vs All Patients

Tolerable safety profile, consistent between the RP2D 600 mg and overall study population

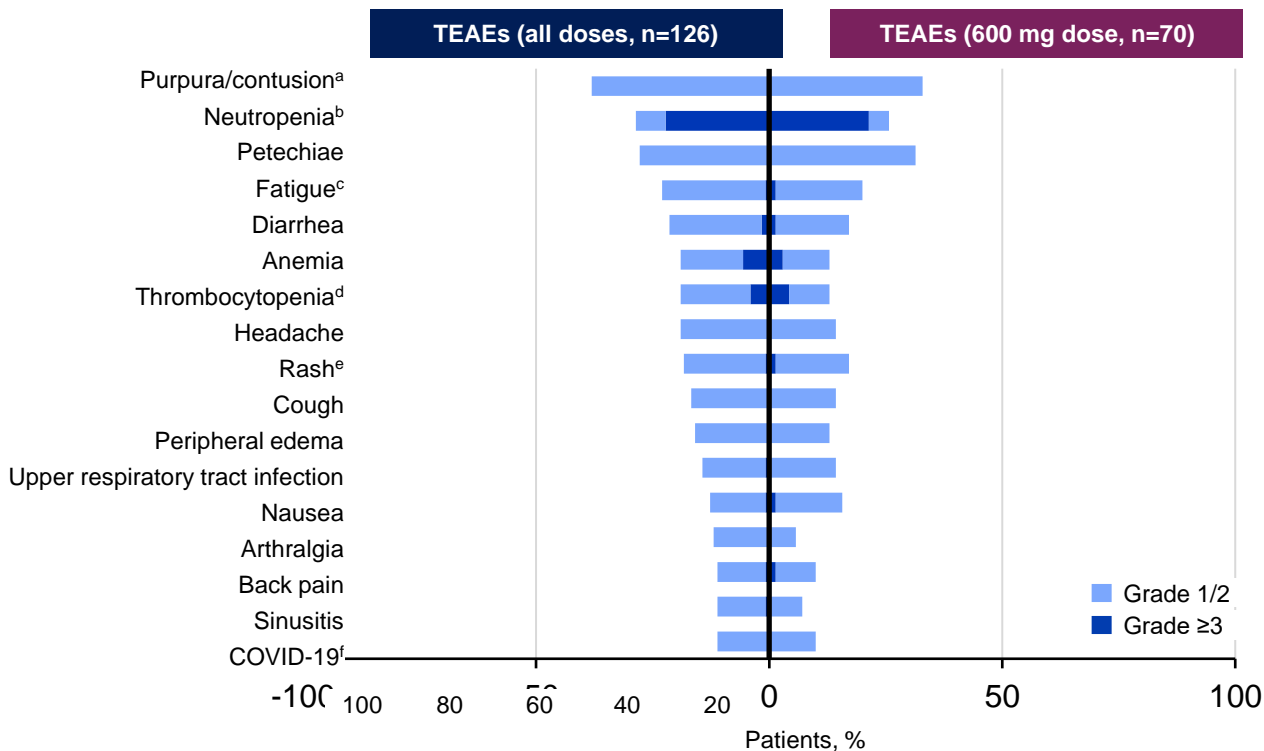
	Phase 1a/b – all patients (n=126)	Phase 1a/b 600 mg (n=70)
<b>Any TEAE, n (%)</b>	114 (90.5)	60 (85.7)
Treatment related	95 (75.4)	51 (72.9)
Grade ≥3	62 (49.2)	31 (44.3)
Treatment-related	31 (24.6)	18 (25.7)
SAE	27 (21.4)	10 (14.3)
Treatment-related	7 (5.6)	3 (4.3)
Grade 5 <sup>a</sup>	3 (2.4)	1 (1.4)
Treatment-related	0	0
Leading to treatment discontinuation	8 (6.3)	4 (5.7)
Treatment-related	5 (4.0)	2 (2.9)
<b>DLT</b>	0	0
<b>Median duration of treatment, months (range)</b>	7.1 (0.0–32.3)	3.6 (0.0–18.0)

<sup>a</sup>Grade 5 AEs: pulmonary embolism; death not otherwise specified; pneumonia  
 AE, adverse event; **DLT**, dose-limiting toxicity; **RP2D**, recommended Phase 2 dose; **SAE**, serious AE; **TEAE**, treatment-emergent AE

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# TEAEs in $\geq 10\%$ in Phase 1a/b 600 mg Group vs All Patients

Comparable AE profile for patients at the RP2D 600mg dose and overall population



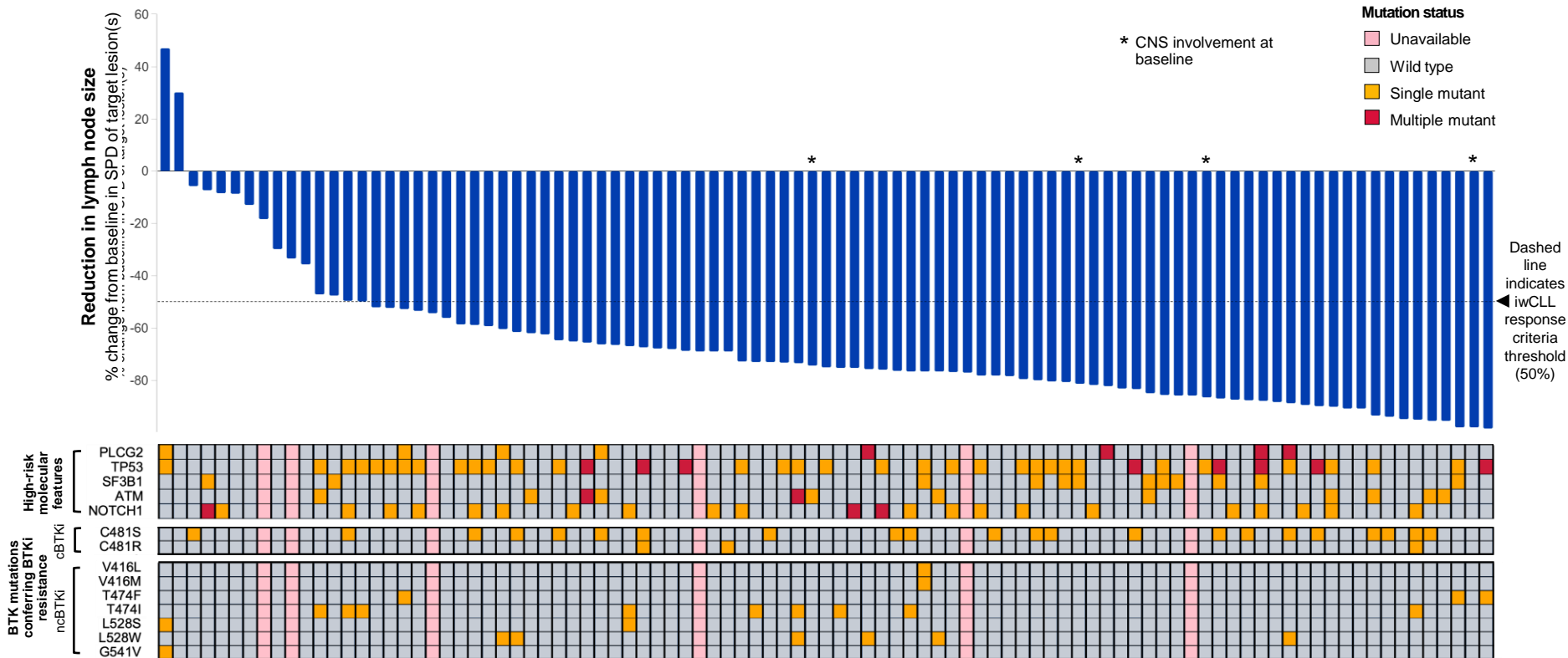
- Tolerable safety profile consistent with prior disclosures
- No dose-limiting toxicities
- No systemic fungal infections or Grade 4 infections of any kind reported
- Single event of new onset atrial fibrillation in keeping with the rate in the age-matched general population
- 3 Grade 5 AEs (death not otherwise specified; pulmonary embolism; pneumonia; all deemed not related to bexobrutideg)

<sup>a</sup>Purpura/contusion includes episodes of contusion or purpura; <sup>b</sup>Aggregate of 'neutrophil count decreased' or 'neutropenia'; <sup>c</sup>Fatigue was transient; <sup>d</sup>Aggregate of 'thrombocytopenia' and 'platelet count decreased'; <sup>e</sup>Aggregate of 'rash' and 'rash maculopapular' and 'rash pustular'; <sup>f</sup>Aggregate of 'COVID-19' and 'COVID-19 pneumonia'  
**AE**, adverse event; **NOS**, not otherwise specified; **RP2D**, recommended Phase 2 dose; **TEAE**, treatment-emergent adverse event

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# Reduction in Lymph Node Size in Phase 1a/b Overall Population<sup>a</sup>

## Clinical activity across patients with BTK mutations,<sup>b</sup> high-risk molecular features and/or CNS involvement



<sup>a</sup>Waterfall plot includes patients with measurable lymph node status (n=93); mutations were reported at VAF >5%; <sup>b</sup>Patients could have no mutations, a single mutation, or multiple mutations

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**ATM**, ataxia-telangiectasia mutated; **BTK**, Bruton's tyrosine kinase; **BTKI**, BTK inhibitor; **cBTKI**, covalent BTKI; **CLL**, chronic lymphocytic leukemia; **CNS**, central nervous system; **iwCLL**, International Workshop on CLL; **ncBTKI**, non-covalent BTKI; **NOTCH1**, neurologic locus notch homolog protein 1; **PLCG2**, phospholipase C gamma 2; **SPD**, sum of products diameters

# Overall Response Rate in Phase 1a Across All Dose Levels (n=47)

## Encouraging ORR and long median duration of response

Response-evaluable patients	Phase 1a (n=47)
<b>Objective response rate (ORR),<sup>a</sup> % (95% CI)</b>	<b>83.0 (69.2–92.4)</b>
<b>Disease control rate (DCR),<sup>b</sup> % (95% CI)</b>	95.7 (85.5–99.5)
<b>Best response,<sup>c</sup> n (%)</b>	
Complete response (CR)	2 (4.3)
Nodal partial response (nPR)	1 (2.1)
Partial response (PR/PR-L)	36 (76.6)
Stable disease (SD)	6 (12.8)
Progressive disease (PD)	2 (4.3)
<b>Median follow-up,<sup>d</sup> months (range)</b>	19.0 (13.5–32.3)
<b>Median duration of response, months (95% CI)</b>	20.1 (12.2–NE) (n=39)

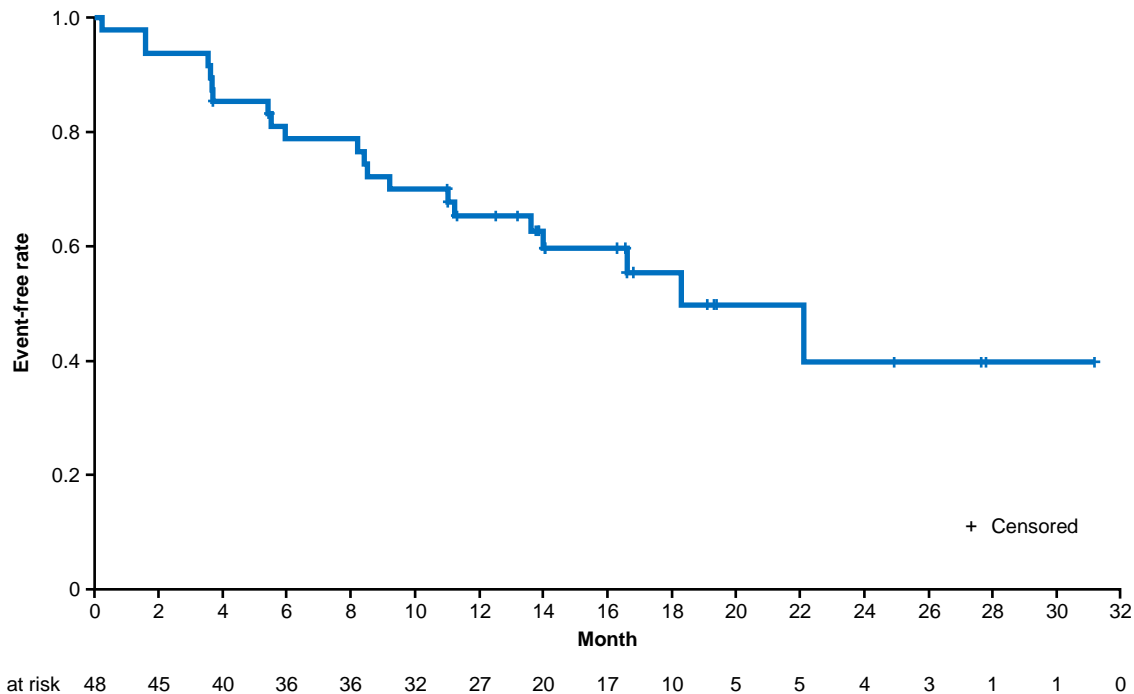
<sup>a</sup>Objective response rate includes CR + nPR + PR + PR-L; <sup>b</sup>Disease control rate includes CR + nPR + PR/PR-L + SD; <sup>c</sup>Percentages are based on the number of patients dosed who had at least one post-baseline disease assessment or documented clinical PD; <sup>d</sup>Time from treatment start to data cutoff

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CI, confidence interval; CR, complete response; DCR, disease control rate; NE, not evaluable; nPR, nodal partial response; ORR, objective response rate; PD, progressive disease; PR, partial response; PR-L, partial response with lymphocytosis; SD, stable disease

# PFS in Phase 1a Across All Dose Levels (n=48)

Median PFS of 22.1 months in study population with longest follow-up



PFS summary	
	n=48
<b>Median PFS, months (95% CI)</b>	22.1 (11.2–NE)
<b>Median PFS follow-up, months (95% CI)</b>	16.6 (14.0–19.3)

Median for PFS by Kaplan–Meier method; median PFS follow-up is by reverse Kaplan–Meier method; PFS data currently immature

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CI, confidence interval; NE, not evaluable; PFS, progression-free survival

## Upcoming studies with BEXOBRUTIDEG



**A Single-arm, Phase 2, Open-label Multicenter Study to evaluate NX-5948 in Adults with Relapsed/Refractory CLL/SLL Previously exposed to a BTKi and a BCL2i (NCT07221500)**

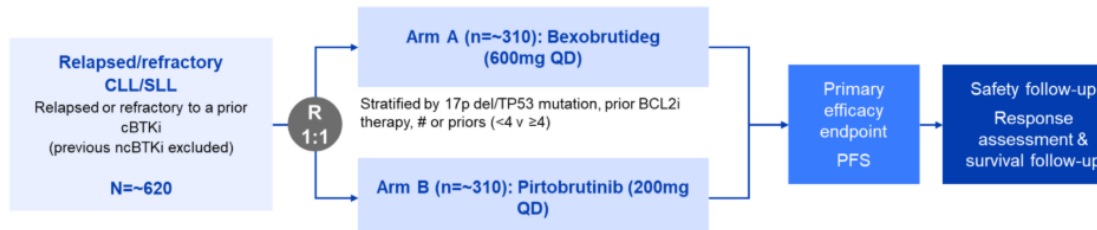
Eligibility: prior cBTKi, ncBTKi and BCL2i

Primary Endpoint: ORR

Dose: bexobrutideg 600 mg po daily

## Phase 3 confirmatory study (CLL-306): Bexobrutideg vs. Pirtobrutinib in 2L+ R/R CLL

Primary endpoint: PFS per iwCLL as assessed by IRC (superiority)



## Conclusions

*Not all BTK degraders are created equal*

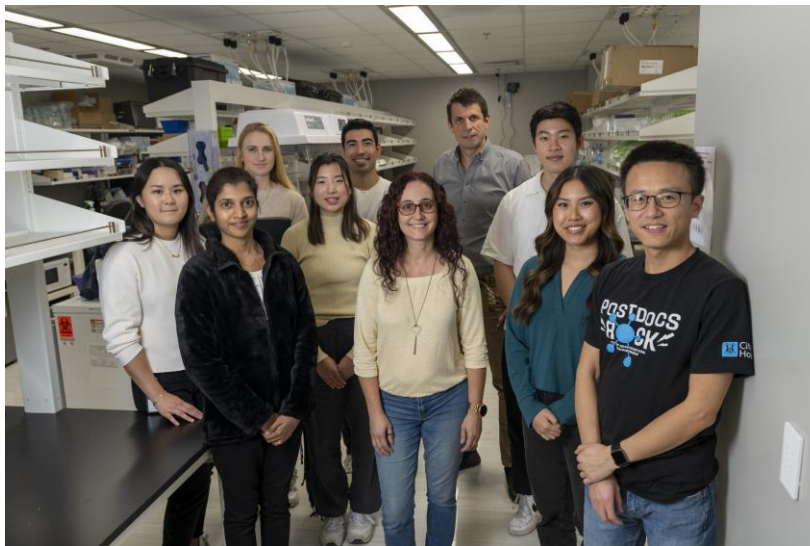
*They are highly effective in multiple-refractory patient population*

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