# Phase 1b/2, Open-Label, Multicenter, Dose Escalation and Expansion Trial of Intratumoral SD-101 in Combination With Pembrolizumab in Patients With Metastatic Melanoma

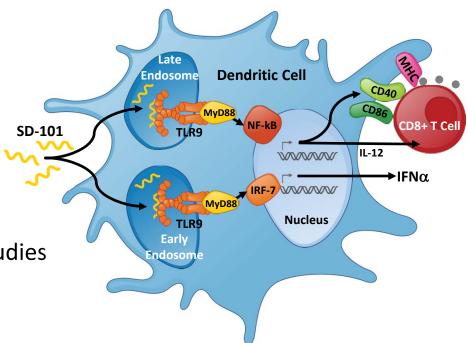
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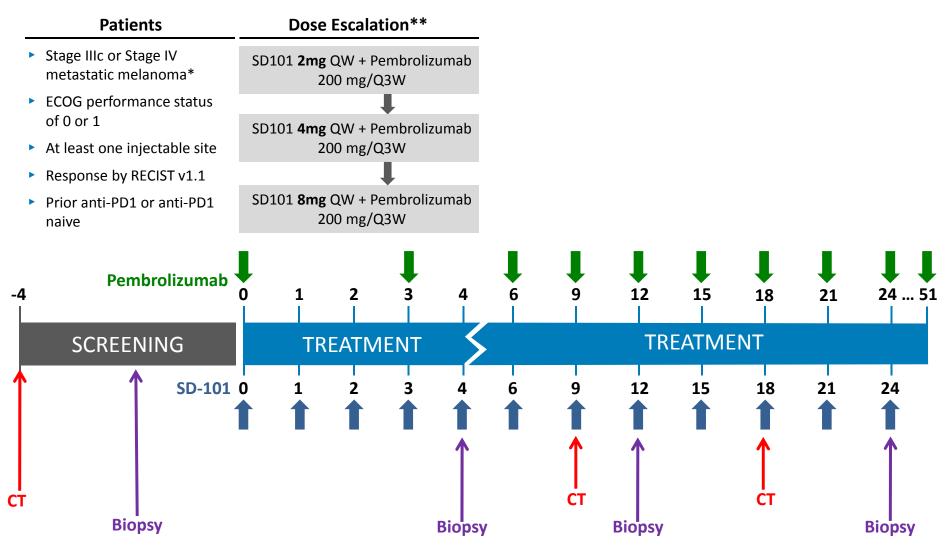
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# SD-101: TLR9 Agonist Optimized for Immuno-oncology

- ► SD-101 is a oligonucleotide with immunostimulatory CpG motifs that activate plasmacytoid dendritic cells via Toll-like receptor-9
- $\blacktriangleright$  SD-101 activates 2 key pathways leading to functional maturation of dendritic cells and substantial production of IFN $\alpha$
- Intratumoral SD-101 injection focuses these activities on the tumor and draining lymph nodes
- Leads to activation of cytotoxic T cells specific for multiple tumor antigens
- Strong synergy observed betweenSD-101 and anti-PD1 on preclinical studies



# Patients, Study Design and Treatment



<sup>\*</sup>Histologically confirmed

<sup>\*\*</sup>DLT Period 29 days

### **Baseline Characteristics**

| Characteristics   | Anti-PD-1 Naïve<br>Subjects<br>(N=8)             | Anti-PD-1<br>Experienced<br>(N=11)               | All<br>(N=19)                                      |
|---|--|--|--|
| Median age, yrs (range)   | 68.5 (49, 78)                                    | 61 (34, 73)                                      | 64 (34, 78)  |
| Male, %   | 6 (75.0%)  | 8 (72.7%)  | 14 (73.4%)   |
| White, %  | 7 (87.5%)  | 10 (90.9%)                                       | 17 (89.5%)   |
| ECOG PS, %<br>0<br>1  | 6 (75.0%)<br>2 (25.0%)                           | 8 (72.7%)<br>3 (27.3%)                           | 14 (73.7%)<br>5 (26.3%)                            |
| Stage at screening IIIc IV  | 0<br>8 (100.0%)                                  | 2 (18.2%)<br>8 (72.7%)                           | 2 (10.5%)<br>16 (84.2%)                            |
| Organs involved (target and non-target) Liver Lung Lymph nodes Skin/subcutaneous tissue | 2 (25.0%)<br>5 (62.5%)<br>5 (62.5%)<br>5 (62.5%) | 6 (54.6%)<br>4 (36.4%)<br>6 (54.5%)<br>9 (81.8%) | 8 (42.1%)<br>9 (47.4%)<br>11 (57.9%)<br>14 (73.7%) |
| 0/1/2/≥ 3 prior lines of therapy, %   | 4/3/1/0  | 0/1/3/7  | 4/4/4/7  |

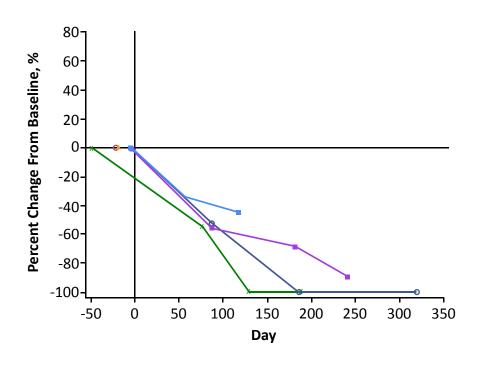
# **Best Overall Response**

| Best OR*, % | Anti PD-1 Naïve<br>(Evaluable N=5) | Anti PD-1 Experienced<br>(Evaluable N=8) |  |  |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| CR          | 1 (20.0%)                          | 0  |  |  |
| PR          | 3 (60.0%)                          | 0  |  |  |
| SD          | 0                                  | 4 (50.0%)                                |  |  |
| PD          | 1 (20.0%)                          | 4 (50.0%)                                |  |  |
| PR+CR       | 4 (80.0%)                          | 0  |  |  |

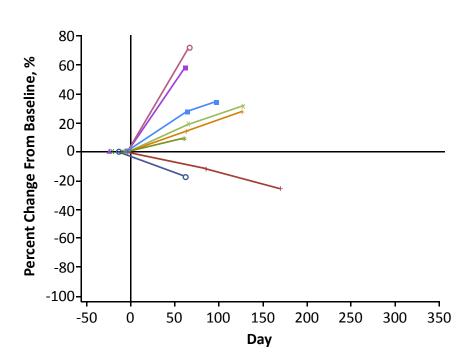
- ► Median follow-up for anti PD-1-naïve patients is 188 days (1,319)
- ► Median follow-up for anti PD-1 experienced is 81 days (61,169)

## **Percent Change in Tumor Burden**

#### **Anti-PD1 Naïve Patients**



#### **Anti-PD1 Experienced Patients**



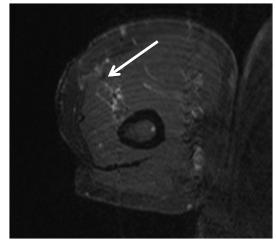
# Response to Therapy in Injected and Non-injected Lesions

**Baseline 12.9.2015** 

Follow up 10.05.2016

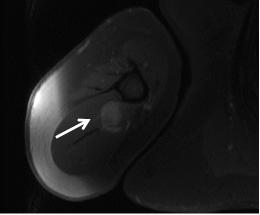
Injected

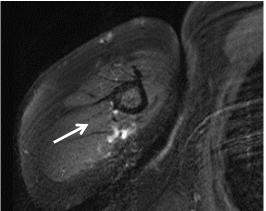




Subject 101005, CR 78 year old, white male Stage IV at screening No prior treatment; anti-PD1 naïve

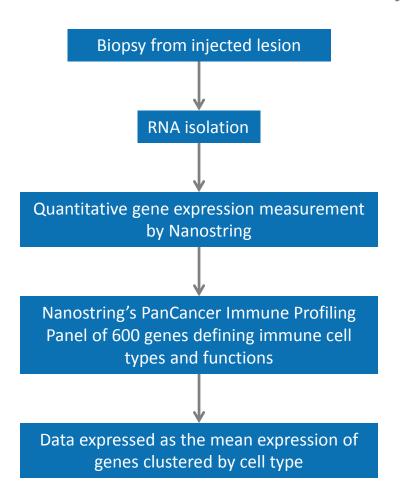
Not injected

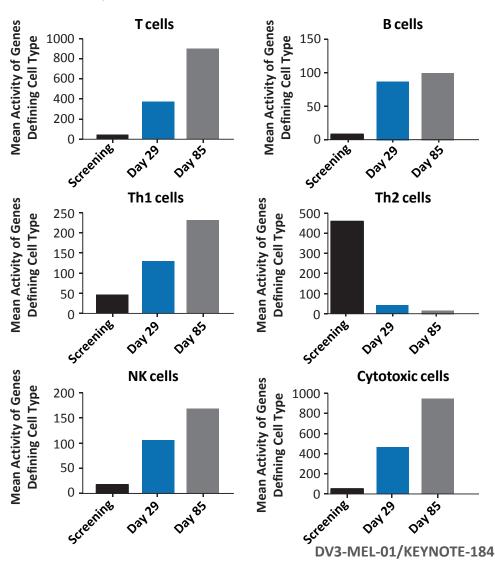




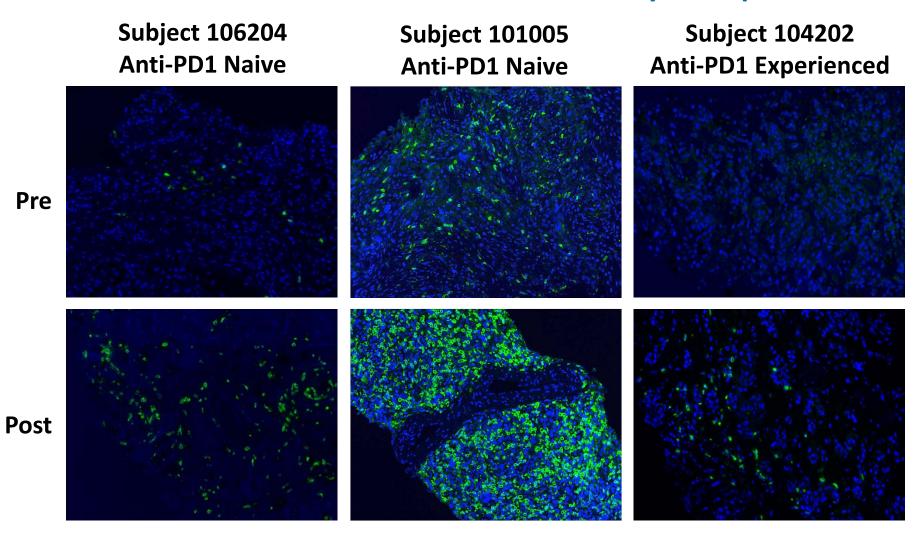
# Induction of Immune Signatures in Tumor Biopsies Following SD-101 and Pembrolizumab Treatment

Subject 101005, CR





# CD8 T Cell Tumor Infiltrate Following SD-101 and Pembrolizumab Treatment as Demonstrated by Multiplex IHC\*



# **Overview of Safety**

| Subjects With at Least 1 Event, N (%) | 1 mg<br>(N=3) | 2 mg<br>(N=5) | 4 mg<br>(N=5) | 8 mg<br>(N=6) | Total<br>(N=19) |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| All AEs                               | 3 (100)       | 5 (100)       | 5 (100)       | 6 (100)       | 19 (100)        |
| Grade 3-4*                            | 0             | 4 (80)        | 2 (40)        | 3 (50)        | 9 (47.4)        |
| SAEs                                  | 0             | 3 (60)        | 1 (20)        | 3 (50)        | 7 (36.8)        |
| AEs related to SD-101                 | 3 (100)       | 5 (100)       | 5 (100)       | 5 (83.3)      | 18 (94.7)       |
| Grade 3-4                             | 0             | 0             | 2 (40)        | 0             | 2 (10.5)        |
| AEs related to pembrolizumab          | 3 (100)       | 5 (100)       | 5 (100)       | 5 (83.3)      | 18 (94.7)       |
| Grade 3-4                             | 0             | 1 (20)        | 1 (20)        | 0             | 2 (10.5)        |
| AEs leading to d/c of SD-101          | 0             | 0             | 1 (20)        | 1 (16.7)      | 2 (10.5)        |
| AEs leading to d/c of pembrolizumab   | 0             | 0             | 0             | 1 (16.7)      | 1 (5.3)         |
| AEs leading to death                  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0               |
| Dose limiting toxicities              | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0               |

<sup>\*</sup>Anemia, febrile neutropenia, lower GI hemorrhage, injection site erythema, injection site pain, sepsis, failure to thrive, basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma

# Frequent AEs (>20%)

|                         | 1 mg<br>(N=3) | 2 mg<br>(N=5) | 4 mg<br>(N=5) | 8 mg<br>(N=6) | Total<br>(N=19) |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Anemia                  | 2 (66.7)      | 2 (40)        | 0             | 0             | 4 (21.1)        |
| Chills                  | 2 (66.7)      | 3 (60)        | 1 (20)        | 4 (66.7)      | 10 (53.6)       |
| Fatigue                 | 3 (100)       | 3 (60)        | 2 (40)        | 6 (100)       | 14 (73.7)       |
| Influenza-like illness  | 0             | 0             | 4 (80)        | 1 (16.7)      | 5 (26.3)        |
| Injection site erythema | 1 (33.3)      | 1 (20)        | 3 (60)        | 2 (33.3)      | 7 (36.8)        |
| Injection site pain     | 1 (33.3)      | 0             | 2 (40)        | 1 (16.7)      | 4 (21.1)        |
| Malaise                 | 1 (33.3)      | 3 (60)        | 1 (20)        | 2 (33.3)      | 7 (36.8)        |
| Pyrexia                 | 1 (33.3)      | 3 (60)        | 1 (20)        | 2 (33.3)      | 7 (36.8)        |
| Myalgia                 | 1 (33.3)      | 4 (80)        | 3 (60)        | 3 (50)        | 11 (57.9)       |
| Headache                | 1 (33.3)      | 3 (60)        | 1 (20)        | 3 (50)        | 8 (42.1)        |

#### **Conclusions**

- ► In patients with Stage IIIc/IV melanoma, intratumoral SD-101 in combination with pembrolizumab was well tolerated
  - No dose-limiting toxicities were observed in any SD-101 dose cohort
- ► The most common treatment-emergent adverse events were flu-like symptoms (fever, chills and myalgia)
  - Consistent with engagement of TLR9 and production of IFN-alpha
- Preliminary data suggest that combination therapy with SD-101 and pembrolizumab appears to show activity in both treatment-naïve and in anti-PD1 failures in patients with advanced melanoma
- SD-101 and pembrolizumab resulted in elevation of immune function as evidenced by
  - Increases in immune function signatures
  - Increase in immune cell infiltrates in the tumor microenvironment

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