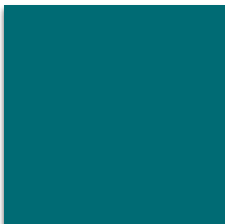
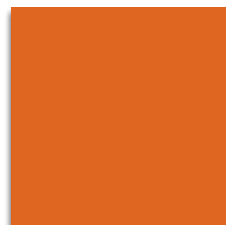
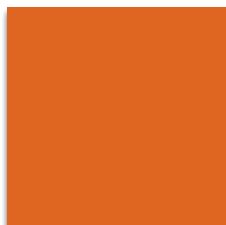
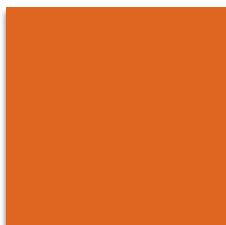
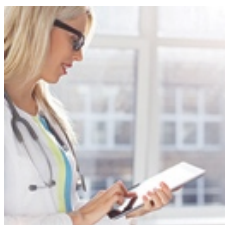
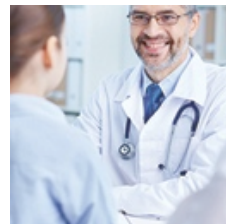


## Workshop on update of TB Guideline Selection of agents, doses and regimens for clinical study

**Author:** David Barros, GSK TB DPU \* **Date:** 25/11/2016

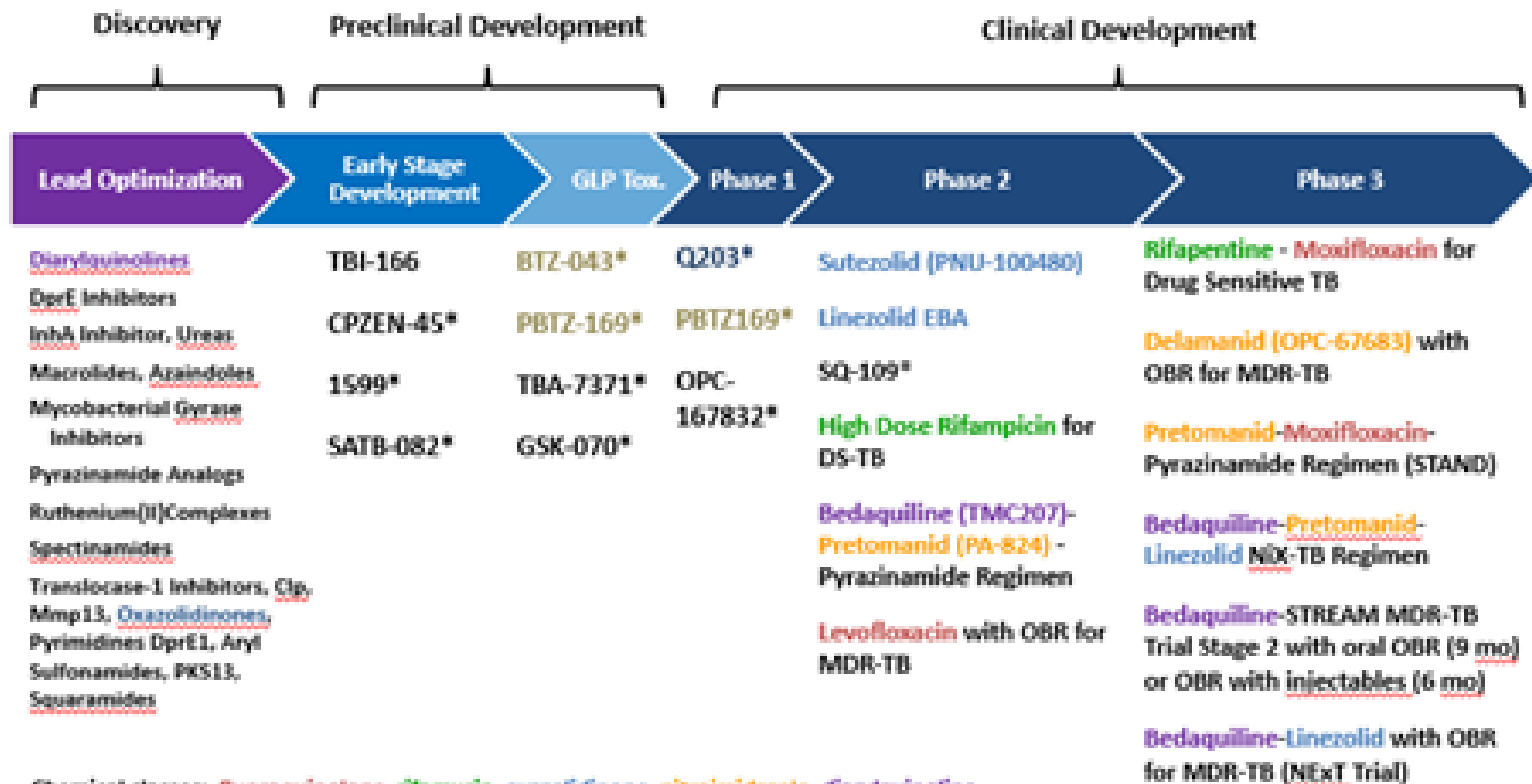


\* Industry Perspective



- Background
- Cascade for compound progression:
  - From Hit compound to Candidate to Man
- Use of Pre-clinical efficacy models
  - Ranking compounds (criteria)
  - Selection of drug partners
  - Criteria used for Hu dose projection
  - Selection of doses for EBA and Ph-IIb

# Global TB Drug Pipeline <sup>1</sup>



Chemical classes: fluoroquinolone, rifamycin, oxazolidinone, nitroimidazole, diarylquinoline, benzothiazinone, imidazopyridine amide. New chemical class\*

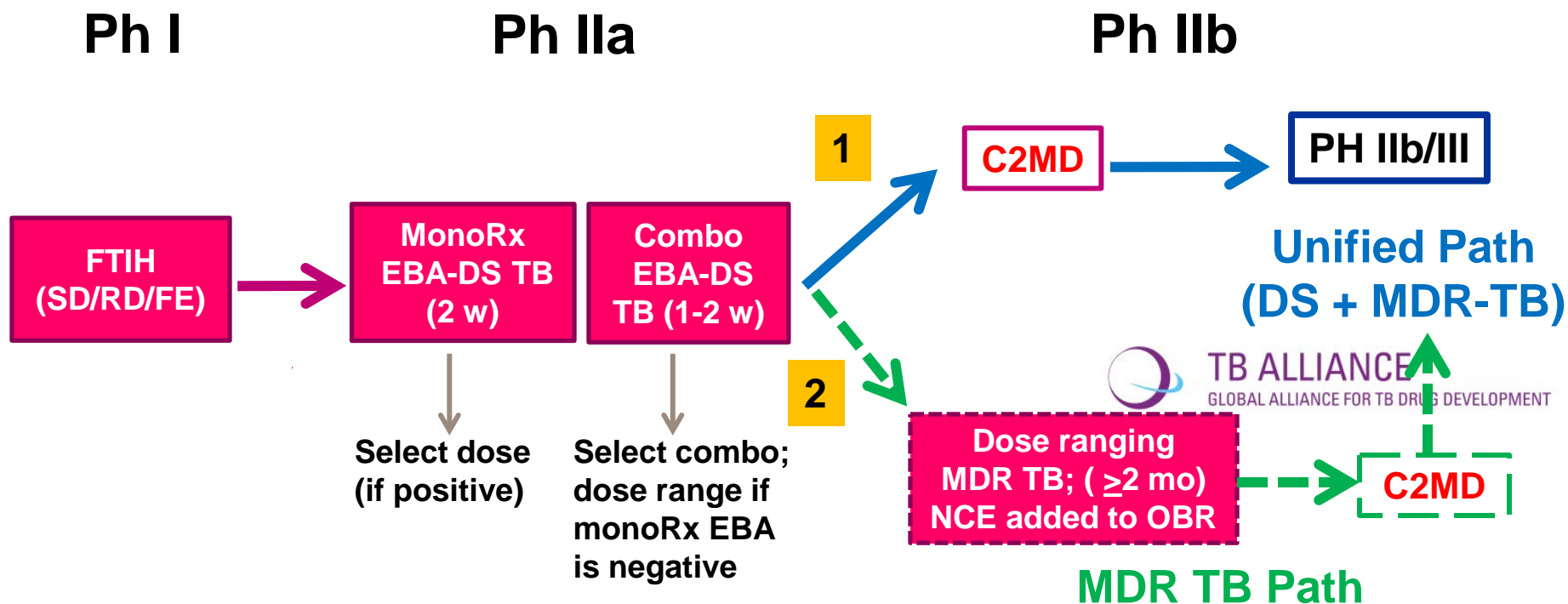
<sup>1</sup> Details for projects listed can be found at <http://www.newtbdrugs.org/pipeline.php> and ongoing projects without a lead compound series identified can be viewed at <http://www.newtbdrugs.org/pipeline-discovery.php>

\*OBR = Optimized Background Regimen



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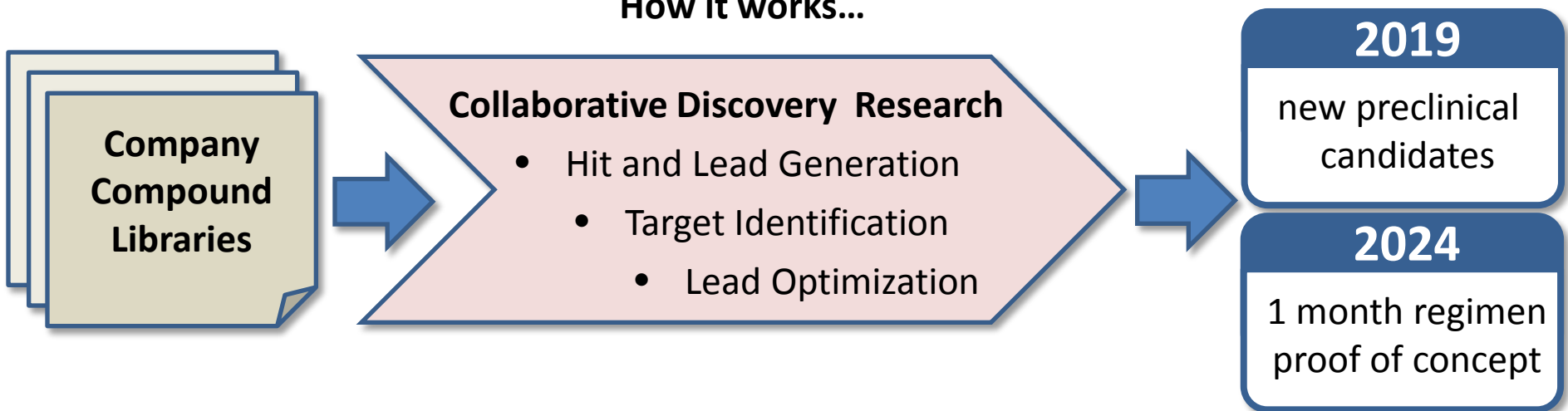
- 1 - Data from mono-Rx and combo **EBA** support progression for DS & MDR-TB (unified path)
- 2 - Data from **EBA** studies do not support unified path

**EBA:** Early Bactericidal Activity

# The TB Drug Accelerator

The TBDA is a groundbreaking collaboration between eight pharmaceutical companies, eight research institutions, and a product development partnership to facilitate early TB drug discovery.

How it works...

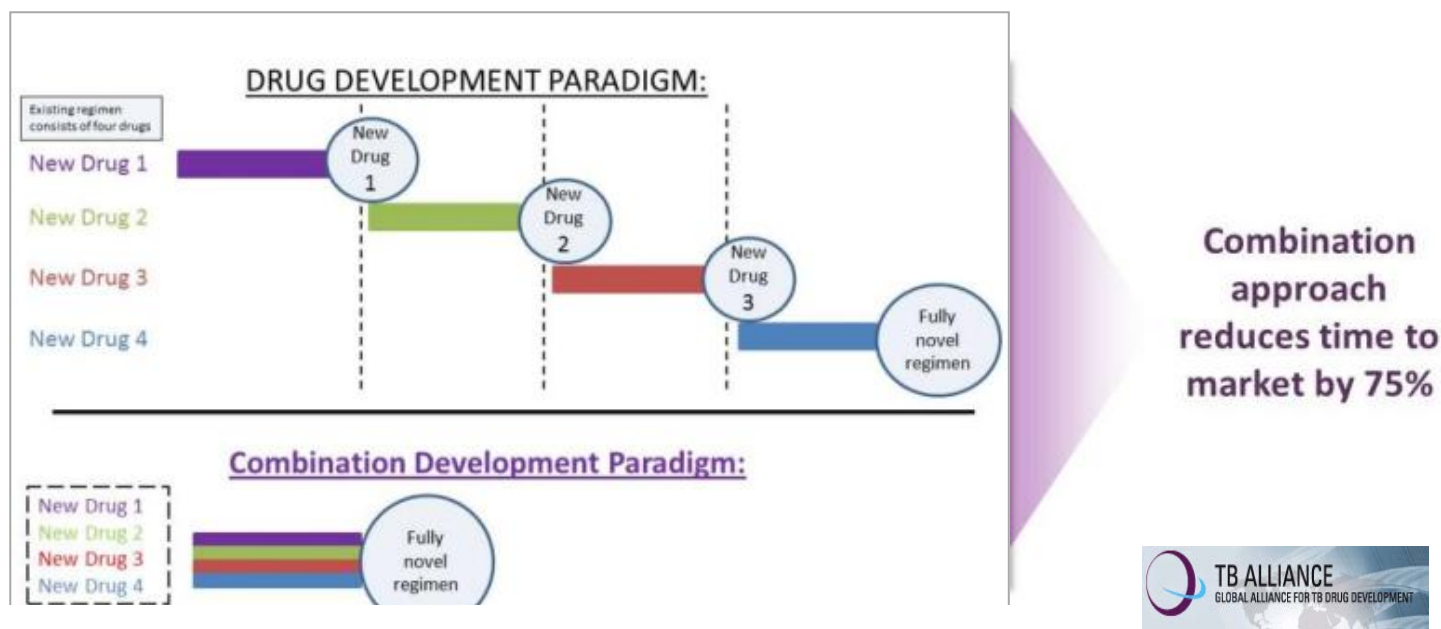


# Development of novel anti-TB regimens



*New INDs entering into combination therapy in parallel*

- WHO mandatory: **TB is treated by combination** therapy( 4 or more drugs)
- Preferred profile for individual drugs: **Efficacious, Safe, Oral** (o.d.)
- New INDs entering **in parallel** into clinical studies (new combos)



*A large number of candidates entering into the clinic is urgently needed*

# Towards a “novel universal regimen” for TB



*Wish List for new TB drugs*

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- New drug class/Repurposing/Rescuing
  - No resistance in the field
  - **Efficacious to shorten treatment** (preferably low dose FDC)
  - **Safe in humans (long term therapy might be needed)**
  - Preferably no QT prolongation
- Low potential for drug-drug interactions
  - TB drugs (HD RIF), ARVs, OADs
- Readily available for clinical testing
- **Oral** (long half life) and preferably **once a day....** (PK/PD)
- Pediatric formulations

# TB Drug Accelerator



*TPPs: Rx Shortening, Rapid Kill and Resistance Prevention*

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## – In vitro TB Profile

- Potent (Sub uM) but not cytotoxic to mammalian cell lines. S.I >50
- Pan-active in TB: Extra, Intra (macrophage), non-Replicating, M(X)DR-TB
- New MoA (preferably non cell wall)
- Good distribution into caseum

## – In vivo Profile: MED, MBD, Kill Kinetics, PK/PD

### **Acute model** (C57BL6, BalbC):

- Active per oral route, MED <<200 mg/Kg or Hu dose < 1.5g (preferably OD)
- Measurable MBD (dose response and fractionation studies)

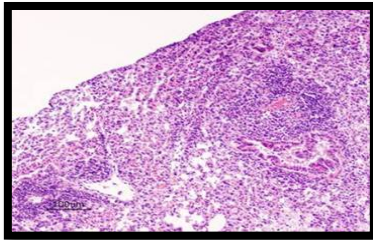
### **Chronic model** (murine and marmosets)

- C57BL6: 1 Log CFU/month reduction per month, Hu dose < 1.5g
- Kramnik: match cidal profile (Dose response), FoR
- Marmoset: confirm observed anti-TB activity from previous models



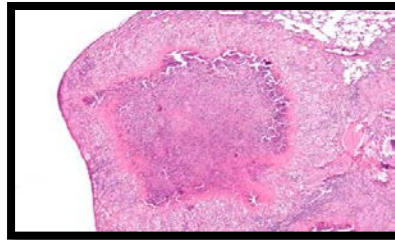
# Experimental Models of Tuberculosis

Entirely intracellular  
No necrosis



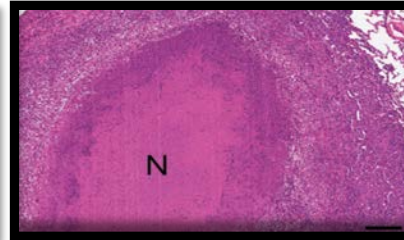
BALB/c mouse  
C57BL6

Mixed intracellular/  
extracellular  
Caseation  
Cavitation?



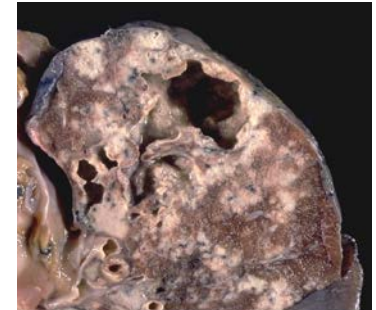
Guinea pig

Mixed intracellular/  
extracellular  
Caseation  
Cavitation

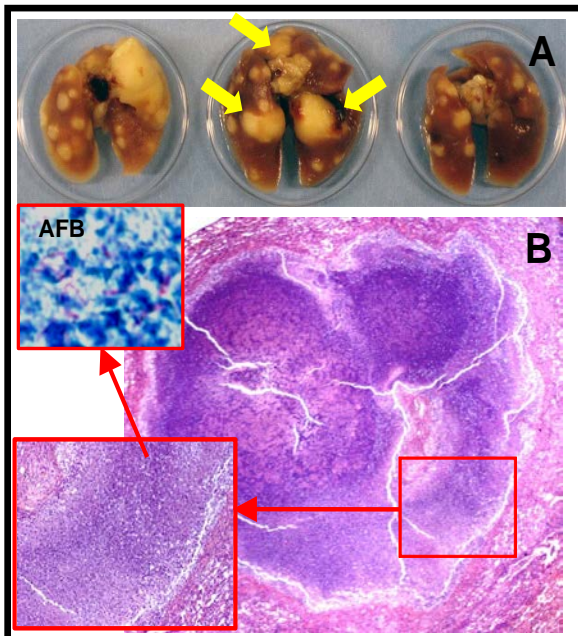


Marmoset

Caseation  
Cavitation



Human



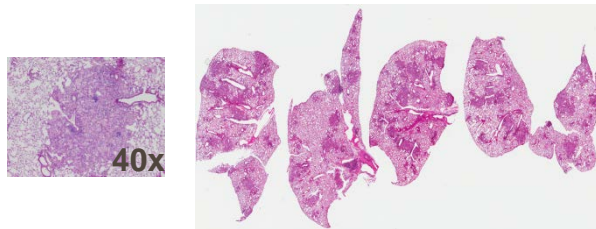
Kramnik mouse

- Lack of caseation & cavitation in conventional mouse strains has raised concerns about their ability to predict results in humans.
- Cavitation is correlated with relapse, transmission, and the emergence of resistance
- **The Kramnik model offers both caseation and cavitation in a smaller animal version than rabbit or monkey**

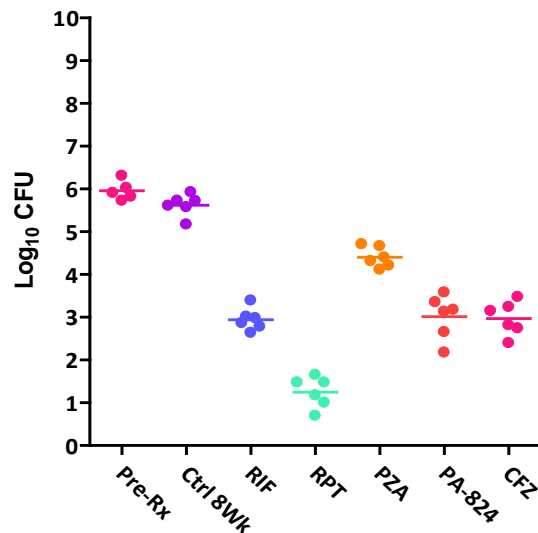
# TB Mouse Efficacy Models

Selecting and ranking efficacy of compounds and estimate Hu dose

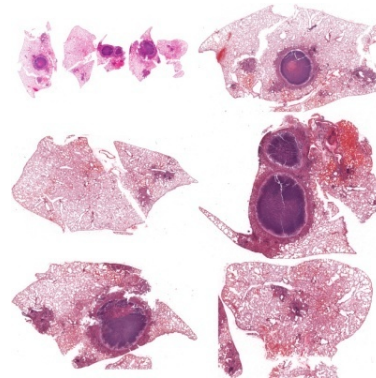
## Chronic Balb/c



Uniform pulmonary cellular lesions containing immune cell aggregates. Bacteria are ~99% intracellular in macrophages (mØ).

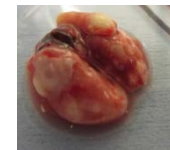


## Chronic C3HeB/FeJ



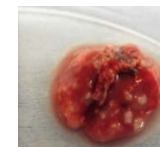
Heterogeneity in pulmonary lesion pathology including caseous necrotic lesions. Bacteria are both intracellular (in mØ and neutrophils) and extracellular (in caseum). Caseum has a unique hypoxic environment, thought to contain more persistent bacterial phenotypes.

“Low Responders”

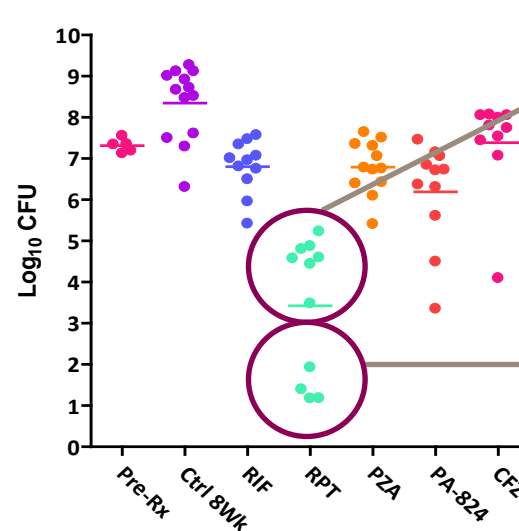


(Caseous necrotic lesions)

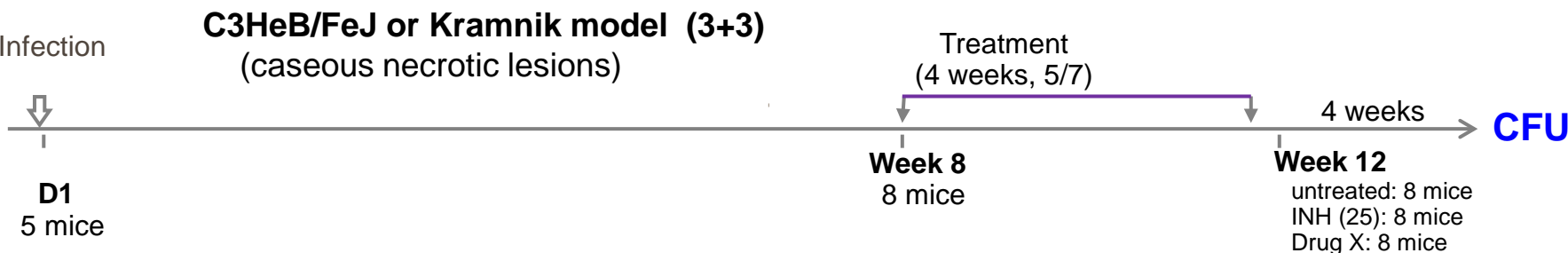
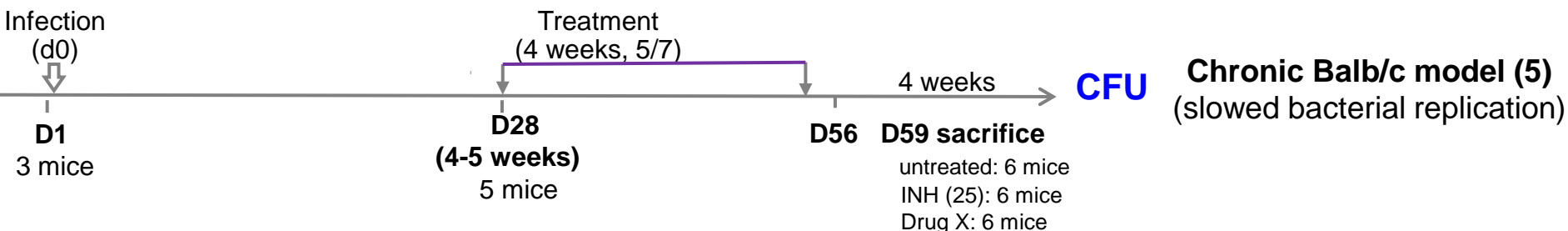
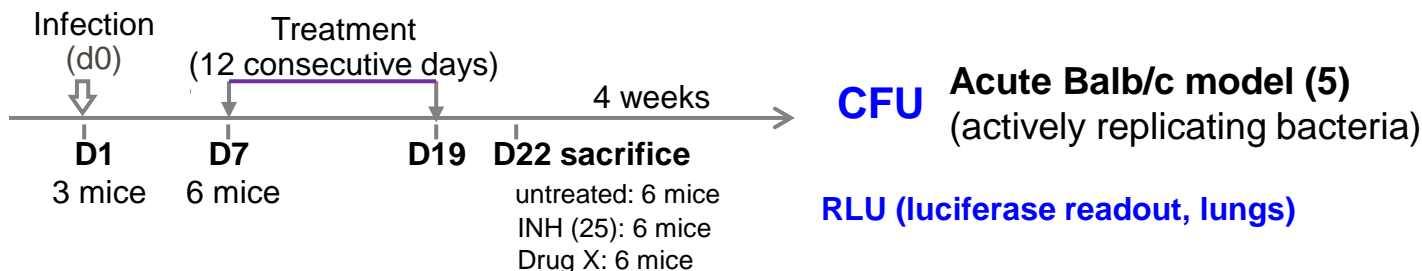
“Responders”



(Small necrotic & cellular lesions)



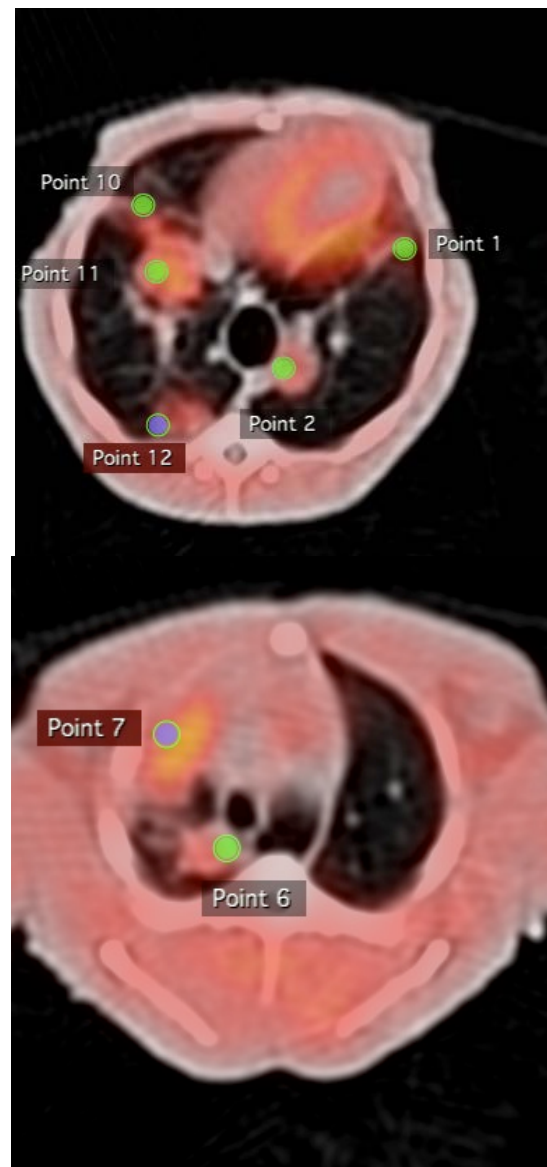
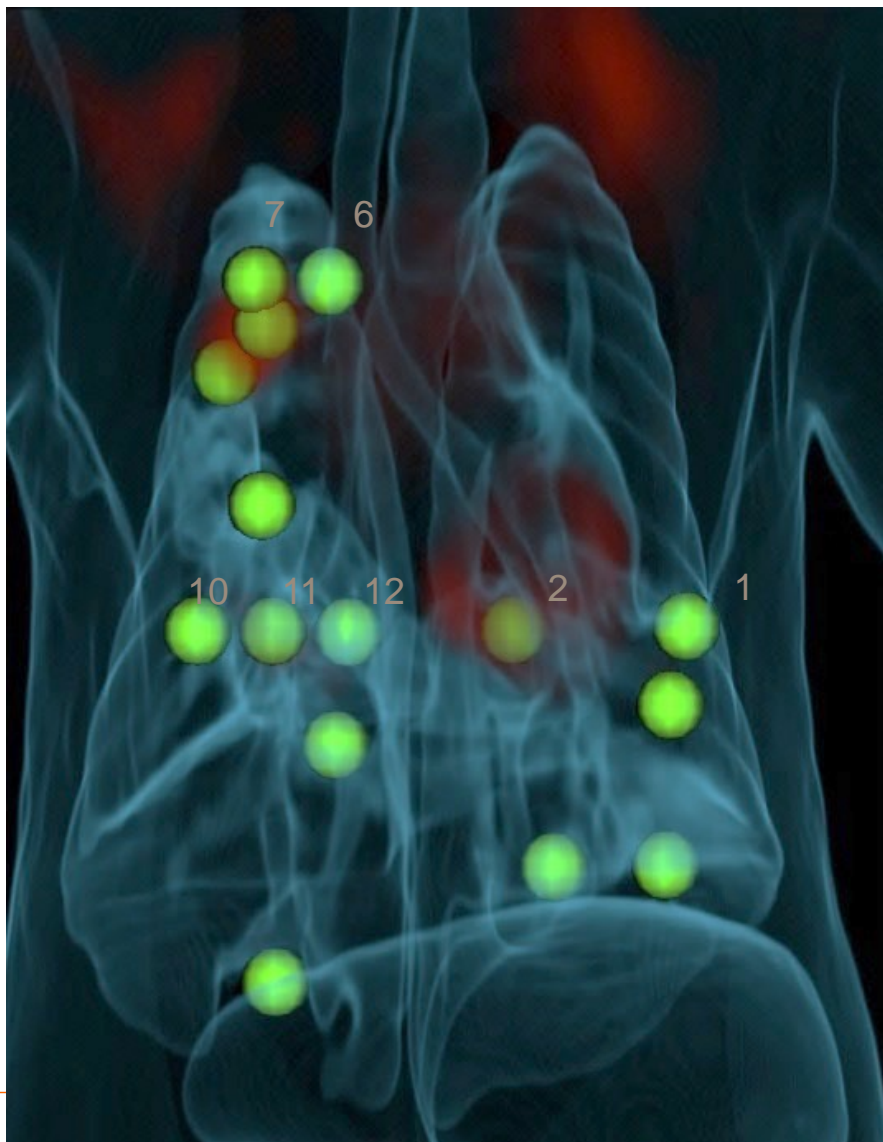
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# TB marmoset efficacy models

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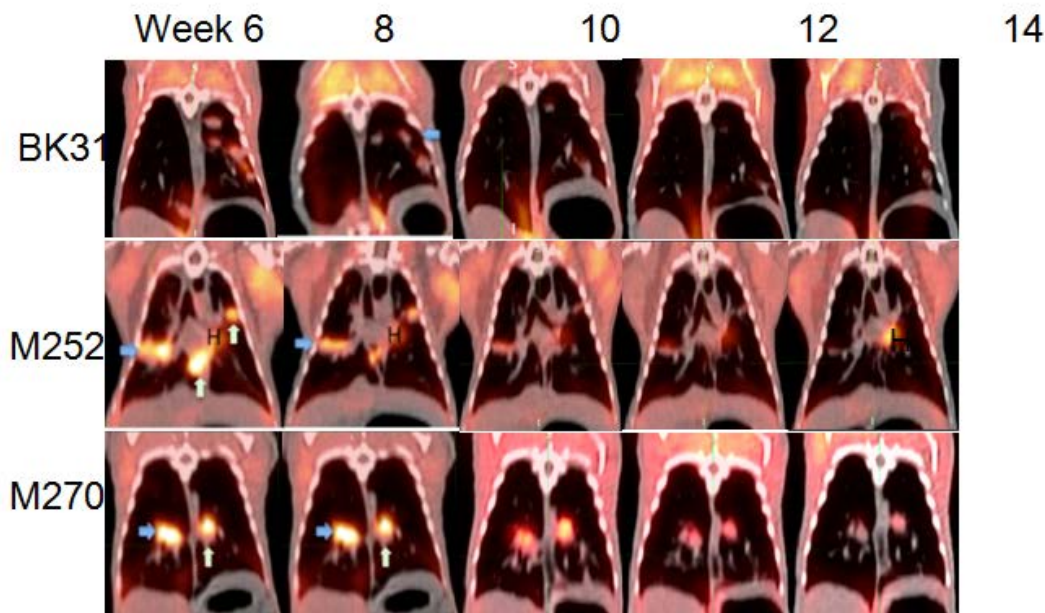


# TB marmoset model: PET/CT and CFUs in lungs



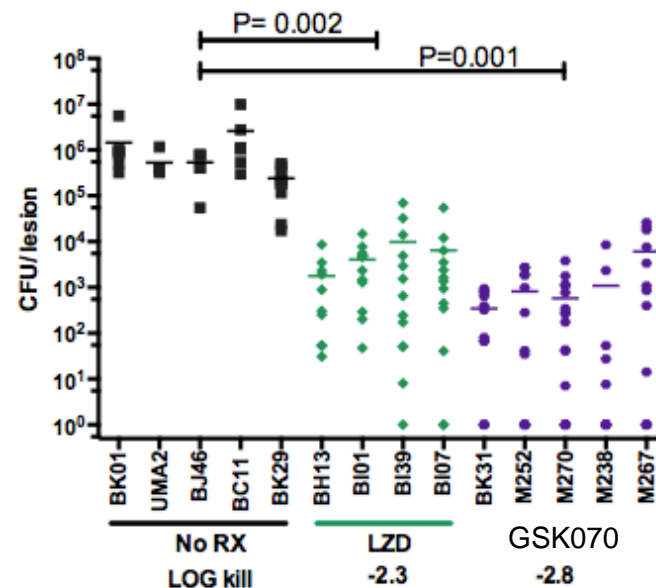
*PET/CT plus CFU of individual lesion in marmosets*

## 18 FDG PET/CT lung imaging



18 FDG PET/CT imaging of the lung revealed a time-dependent reduction in CT disease volume. Some lesions distinguishable at 6 weeks disappeared entirely after 8 weeks of treatment. A faster efficacious response compared to mice

## Log CFU in lungs (individual data)



Bacterial burden in the lung decreased in 2.8 Log CFU (best ever). Bacterial burden in spleen and liver were below detection

# Proposed Use of Animal Efficacy Models

## Drug discovery (H2L)

## Lead Optimization (LO)

## Regimen development

### Single agent testing:

#### Efficacy at highest safe dose

#### Efficacy against active replicating bacteria and a chronic infection:

- **Acute Balb/c mouse model**
- **Chronic Balb/c mouse model**

[Choice of model can change depending on target/MOA, or PK]

Efficacy versus drug exposure relationship (PK/PD) – initial understanding of dose response

### Single agent testing:

#### Efficacy versus drug exposure relationship (PK/PD):

- Dose ranging studies (MED, E<sub>max</sub>)
- Drug fractionation studies
- In vivo killing kinetics over time, Etc.

#### Efficacy against heterogeneity of lesion types:

- correlating efficacy with pathology
- Lesion/caseum PK, MALDI using **C3HeB/FeJ, marmoset model**

Additional assays: hollow fiber,

### Combination testing:

- What combinations to test?
- What combinations are more effective than others?
- What doses and schedules are to be used for every drug?
- What duration of treatment is required?

#### Studying sterilizing activity/Rx shortening in long term efficacy studies

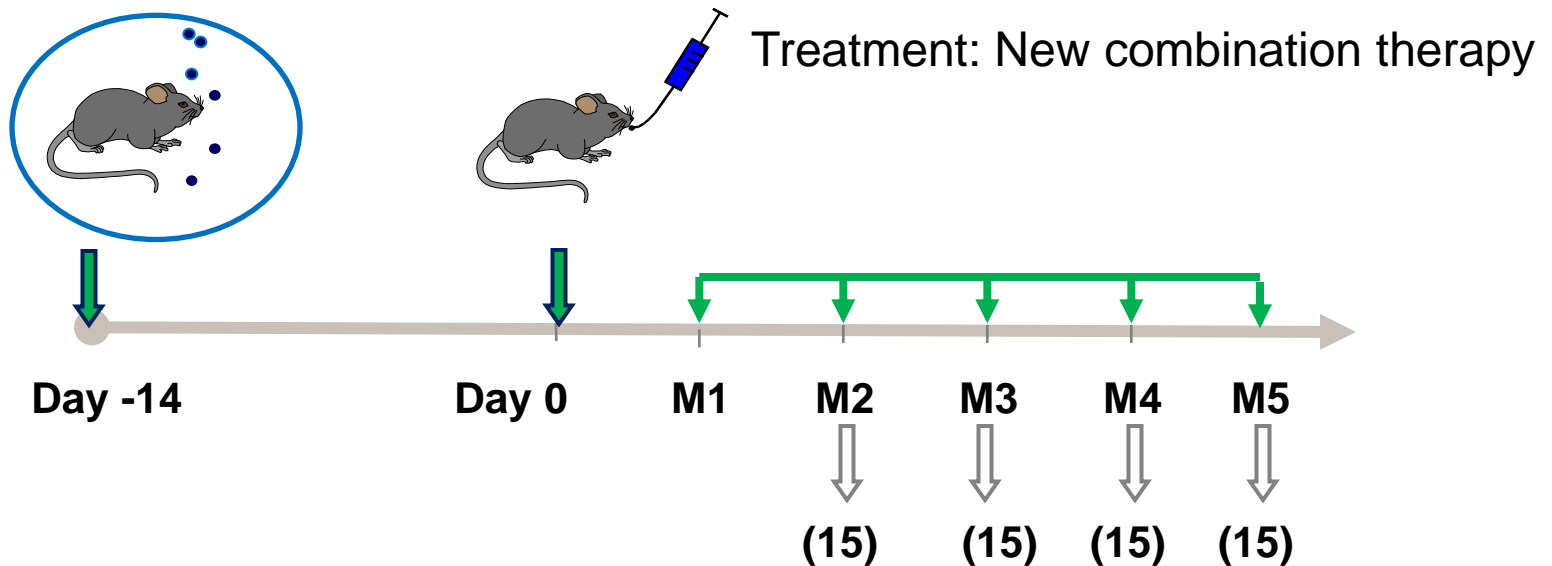
- **Bactericidal activity during Rx in Balb/c**
- **Relapse studies in Balb/c mice**
- Confirm relapse results in CH3HeB/FeJ? (or marmoset model)



# Efficacy studies to rank new combos

*Relapse-Based Mouse Model (BALB/c mice)*

## Experimental Design



**(15) mice held for (3) months without treatment and then sacrificed to determine permanent cure without relapse**

Collaborator:  **JOHNS HOPKINS**  
MEDICINE

# Comparison of Novel Combinations Building on the PaM Combination

	Mean lung CFU ( $\pm$ SD)				Proportion of mice relapsing after treatment ending at:				
	D0	M1	M2	M3	M1.5	M2	M3	M4	M5
Untreated	7.46 $\pm$ 0.18								
RHZ		4.16 $\pm$ 0.24	2.47 $\pm$ 0.26	1.31 $\pm$ 0.20				10/15	2/15
PaMZ		3.37 $\pm$ 0.19	1.39 $\pm$ 0.54	0.22 $\pm$ 0.32			10/14	3/15	
JPaM		3.61 $\pm$ 0.15	2.33 $\pm$ 0.18	0.00 $\pm$ 0.00			2/15	0/14	
JPaZ		1.71 $\pm$ 0.11			13/14	0/15	0/15		
JPaZM		1.74 $\pm$ 0.03			3/15	0/15	0/15		

Ranking: JPaMZ > JPaZ > JPaM > PaMZ > RHZ

Data provided by Khisi Mdluli from TB Alliance in collaboration with





# Prediction of Efficacious AUC in humans



*AUC at MBD in acute murine model vs Hu Therapeutic exposure*

Compound	Mice $AUC_{0-24h}$ ( $\mu g \cdot h/ml$ )	Humans $AUC_{0-24h}$ ( $\mu g \cdot h/ml$ )
H	5	4-30
R	161	5-150
Z	>3115	300-550
E	51	20-40
Moxifloxacin	13.2	$36.1 \pm 9.1$
Bedaquiline	10	$64.5 \pm 26.9$
Rifabutin	3.3	7-8
Rifapentin	155	$319.54 \pm 91.52$
Ofloxacin	319	$70.57 \pm 26.4$
Thiacetazone	118	$24.58 \pm 7.25$

*Quick estimation of Hu Efficacious exposure by a fast determination of maximum effect dose*

# Efficacy studies to rank new combos



## *Relapse-Based Mouse Model (BALB/c mice)*

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- The rank ordering of regimens and durations of therapy in humans follow relatively closely the results in mice
- The model is currently used for ranking combinations for progressing into the clinic
  - Only look for a significant Rx shortening vs RHZ (i.e at least 2 to 3 months)
- The model is continuously undergoing validation and modification as more clinical data are acquired
  - Ongoing CPTR effort to formally analyze predictive accuracy based on regimens for which clinical data exist
  - 3 novel regimens in clinical trials provides opportunity for further analysis

Collaborator: 

- **Imaging Platform**

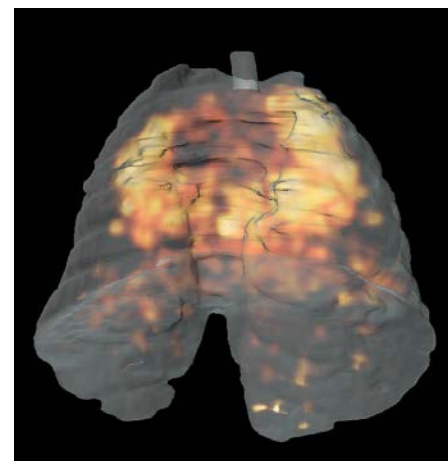
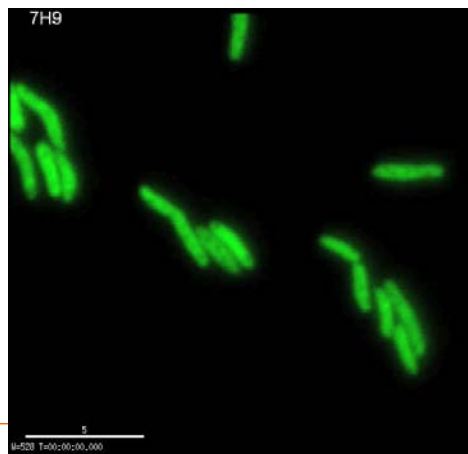
- High content microscopy; Single cell microscopy, Micro CT; PET/CT

- **PK/PD platform**

- Hollow fiber, Single cell micro-fluidic platform, others?
  - PK infected Mtb mice: single and combo (BSL3 lab space required)

- **Translational tools**

- New in vitro/in vivo models; Biomarkers; Mathematical modeling



- Development of new TB combination regimen should start in the discovery phase
- New TB combination treatments should be shorter more efficacious and shorter than existing (DS and forms of DR-TB)
- New preclinical efficacy models allow ranking of compounds and treatments in terms of efficacy (acute) and relapse
- New TB models such as the Kramnik and marmoset can contribute to better understand cure of TB
- A better prediction of human therapeutic exposures will greatly contribute to rank compounds and regimens in term of therapeutic window (main cause of attrition)

**THE WORLD NEEDS A SHORTER, SAFER TB DRUG UNIVERSAL REGIMEN**

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*TPPs: Rx Shortening, Rapid Kill and Resistance Prevention*

- Selective
- Panactive

