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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 8,2024

# CYCLACEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-50626 (Commission File Number)

91-1707622 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 Connell Drive, Suite 1500 Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922 (Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (908) 517-7330

(Former I	Name or Former Address, if Changed Since	Last Report)
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously sa	atisfy the filing obligation of the registrant u	nder any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):
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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:		
Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value	CYCC CYCCP	The Nasdaq Capital Market The Nasdaq Capital Market
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as definithis chapter).	ed in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (	§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 o
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#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 8, 2024, Cyclacel Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company") provided an update for investors at the Biotech Showcase 2024 Conference in San Francisco, California, presenting information relating to certain strategic and business updates (the "Investor Presentation"), which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated into this Item 7.01 by reference. A copy of the Investor Presentation will also be accessible on the Company's website at www.cyclacel.com, in the "Presentations & Events" subsection of the "Investors" tab.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements. The Investor Presentation contains forward-looking statements that involve certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these statements. Please refer to the cautionary notes in the Investor Presentation regarding these forward-looking statements.

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#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is furnished herewith:

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

#### CYCLACEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: Name: Title:

/s/ Paul McBarron
Paul McBarron
Executive Vice President-Finance,
Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer

Date: January 8, 2024



Cyclacel Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (CYCC) BIOTECH SHOWCASE JANUARY 2024

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### **Cyclacel Opportunity**

Discovered, optimized, now developing fadraciclib & plogosertib cell cycle, drug portfolio

Potentially **best-in-class**, 1st or 2nd to market in both drug classes

Both show single-agent anticancer activity (CR, PR, SD) with good tolerability

Anticancer activity in NSCLC, GYN endom./ovarian, bile, pancreas, and lymphoma

Mutational profile of responding patients suggests biomarker enrichment strategy: - CDKN2A/B, MTAP for fadra, ARID1A (SWI/SNF), TP53, etc. for plogo

Multiple 2024 catalysts leading to registration pathways; lean operations



### Fadraciclib (CYC065) Next Gen CDK inhibitor

CDK2 (cell cycle control) IC<sub>50</sub>=5nM CDK9 (transcription regulation) IC<sub>50</sub>=26nM

PD markers: cyclin E/CCNE1; CDKN2A/B; MCL1; MYC; KRAS; PRMT5 Of interest: Breast, endometrial, ovarian, uterine, colorectal, hepatobiliary, lymphomas Oral s.m.
~4-6h half life
2/3 PR in lymphoma
15/25 SD, incl.
NSCLC, solid
tumors

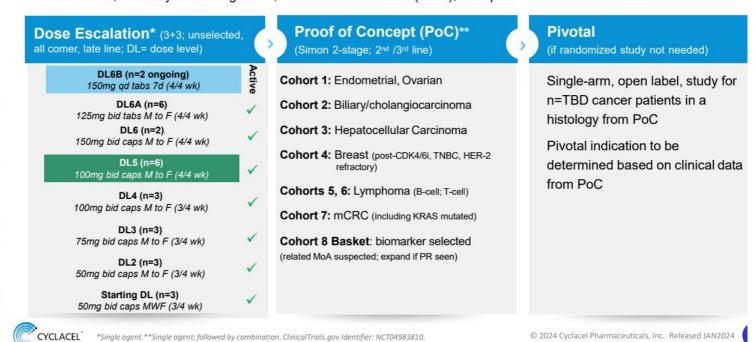
Ongoing Ph 1/2: 1/1 NSCLC, 4/4 gyn (endometrial, ovarian, cervical); 2/2 cholangio. BTC; 2/2 HCC; 2/2 prostate; 1/2 H&N; 1/1 pancreatic; 1/1 CRC

Repeat dosing leads to continuous suppression of transcription via RNA pol2



#### Fadra Oral 065-101 Ph 1/2 Solid Tumors & Lymphoma (ongoing, unselected, late line)

Enrolled n=29; currently evaluating DL6B; No DLT in cohorts 1-5 (n=18); PoC part to start after RP2D



## Fadra Oral 065-101 Related TEAEs (all ≥2, interim DL6-6A, ongoing)

	Dose level		DL1 (X=3	)		DL2 (X=5)			L3 =3)	DL (X=	100		DL5 (X=9)			DL6 (X=2)			DL6A (X=10)
System Organ Class/ Preferred Term	Total (N=35) n/N	G1 (y=2) x/X	G2 (y=1) x/X	G3 (y=2) x/X	G1 (y=4) x/X	G2 (y=2) x/X	G3 (y=4) x/X	G1 (y=2) x/X	G2 (y=2) x/X	G1 (y=2) x/X	G2 (y=1) x/X	G1 (y=7) x/X	G2 (y=6) x/X	G3 (y=2) x/X	G1 (y=2) x/X	G2 (y=2) x/X	G3 (y=2) x/X	G1 (y=8) x/X	G2 (y=6) x/X
Gastrointestinal disorders																			
Constipation	2 (5.7)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	١	2 (20)
Diarrhoea	9 (25.7)	-		-	-	-		-		-	*	3 (33.3)	-	-	-	-	-	2 (20)	-
Nausea	27 (77.1)	-	-		3 (60)	-	-		-	2 (66.6)	-	4 (44.4)	3 (33.3)	- 4	-	2 (100)	-	5 (50)	4 (40)
Vomiting	20 (57.1)	-	-	-	4 (80)	-			-	-	-	3 (33.3)	2 (22.2)	-	2 (100)	-	-	4 (40)	3 (50)
General disorders and admin. site conditions																			
Fatigue	9 (25.7)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 (33.3)	-	-	-	-	-	3 (30)	-
Investigations																			
Blood creatinine increased	5 (14.2)	-	-	-	-			-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-		-	2 (20)
Metabolism and nutrition disorders																			
Decreased appetite	6 (17.1)	-	-	-	2 (40)	-	-	-	-		-	-		-	-	-	-	2 (20)	-
Hyperglycaemia	8 (22.8)	-	-	-	-	-	-			-		2 (22.2)	-	-	-	-		2 (20)	-

G1 - Mild, G2 - Moderate, G3 - Severe, G4 - Life threatening or disabling.

N = # unique subjects exposed to study drug.

n = # unique subjects who experienced  $\geq$ 1 episode of a particular AE

x = # unique subjects randomized at a particular dose-level and experienced ≥1 episode of a particular AE

X = # unique subjects randomized at a particular dose level of study drug as of 31-Aug-2023

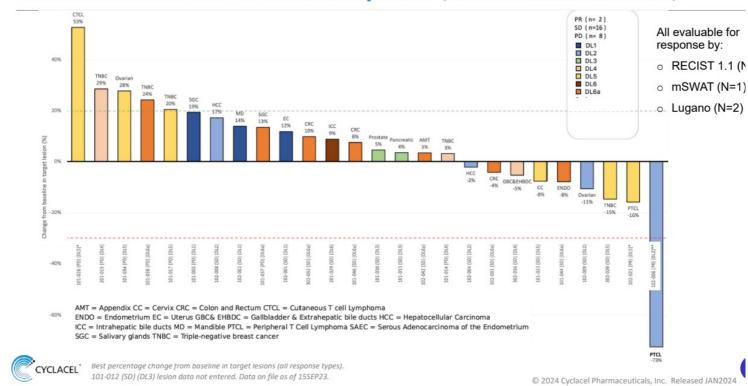
y = # unique subjects randomized at a particular dose-level and experienced  $\geq 1$  episode of a particular AE at a particular severity

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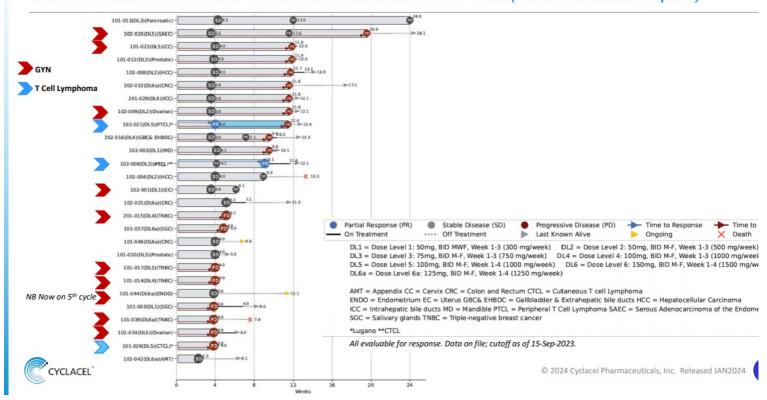


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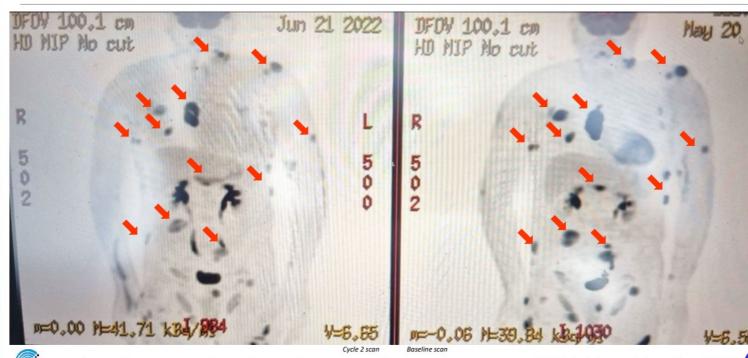
### Fadra Oral 065-101 DL1-6A Response (dose escalation all comer)



# Fadra Oral 065-101 DL1-6A Swimmers Plot (dose escalation part)



# PR in angioimmunoblastic PTCL pt. (oral 065-101, 1st cycle DL5)



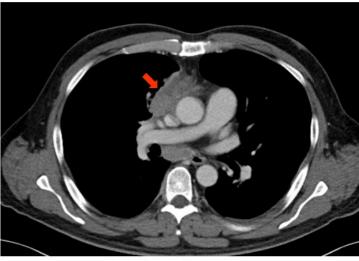


CYCLACEL\* Data on file. PET scan images kindly provided by the principal investigator. CDKN2A deletions in 46% of PTCL-NOS patients, Maura F et al Haematologica. 2021 Nov 1 106 11 2918.

# Squamous NSCLC patient (oral 065-101, 1st cycle DL6A)



Baseline scan 7-SEP-23
50y old, NOV22-APR23 carboplatin+paclitaxel;
MAY23 atezolizumab+docetaxel, progressed



Cycle 1 scan 9-OCT-23

SD shrinkage all target lesions 22%. D1C1 14-SEP-23

NGS: CDKN2B loss



CYCLACEL\* Data on file. CT scan images kindly provided by the principal investigator.

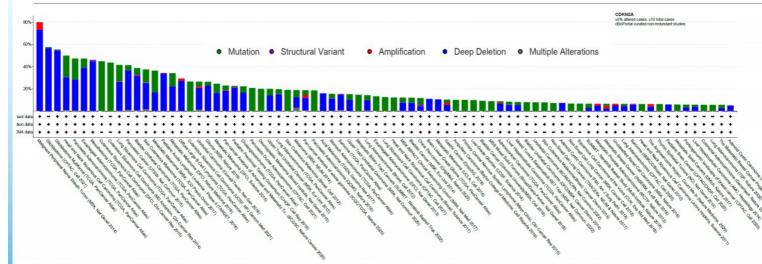
# **Responder Profiles**

Patient Study	Histology	Best Response	Dose Level	Schedule	Mutation
<b>51</b> 065-101	NSCLC squamous	22% shrinkage C1	125mg BID	5d/wk 4/4 wks	CDKN2B loss
<b>38</b> <i>065-01</i>	Endometrial	CR	213mg/m <sup>2</sup>	2d/wk 2/3 wks	CDKN2A, CDKN2B, MTAP loss, MCL1 amp
<b>14</b> 065-01	Ovarian	SD	192mg/m²	2d/wk 2/3 wks	CDKN2A loss, MYC amp
<b>11</b> 065-01	Salivary gland	SD	128mg/m <sup>2</sup>	2d/wk 2/3 wks	CDKN2A, CDKN2B loss



Data on file. Pt20 (pancreaticobiliary; 192 mg/m2; 1 C only) CDKN2A.

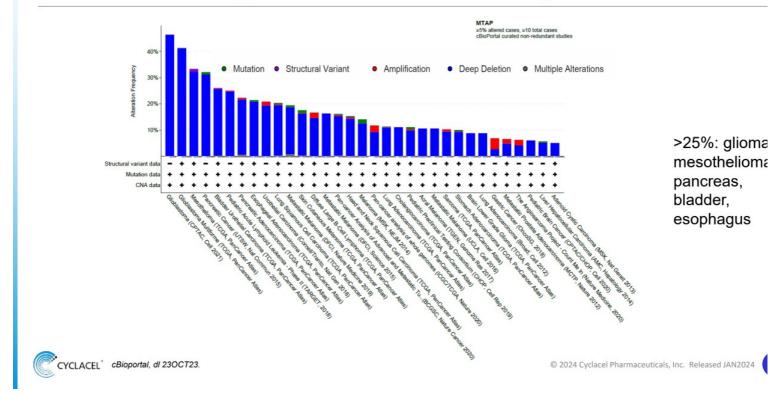
### **CDKN2A Alterations**



Solid tumors >40%: glioma, H&N, pancreas, esophagus, lung (incl. squamous), bladder, melanoma, cutaneous Lymphoma: CDKN2A deletions in 46% of PTCL-NOS patients.



# MTAP Alterations (PRMT5 inhibition sensitive)

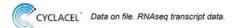


### Fadra Suppresses CDKN2A/B, PRMT5 Transcription in Patients



Expands applicable opportunity to patients with MTAP deletion.

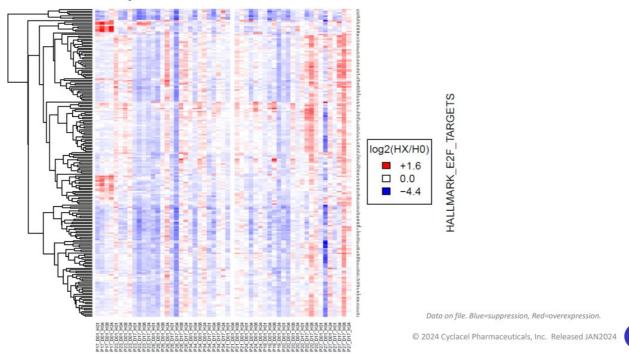
MTAP co-located with CDKN2A/B in chromosome 9p21 and often co-deleted.



# Fadra Suppresses E2F (CDK2 dependent) DL5 Phase 1 Patients



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# **Oral Fadra Summary**

Single agent responses; well tolerated in liquid and solid cancers

CDK2 + CDK9 inhibition may be superior to either CDK2 or CDK9

- Cancer cells adapt to CDK2i; CDK2i work only when CDK9i silence MYC
- Exploiting cancer vulnerabilities:
  - o CDKN2A/B, MTAP loss (suppressing PRMT5 transcription)
  - Cyclin E/CCNE1 overexpression/amplification
  - o MYC or MCL1 overexpression/amplification

Fadra may be only next gen CDKi to have threaded the needle of transient suppression of antiapoptosis proteins without hematological toxicity







CYCLACEL Arora M et al, Cancer Res 2023 83 (7\_Suppl): 5992. Knudsen E et al Cell Rep 2022 Mar 1 38 9.

### Plogosertib (CYC140) Next Gen PLK1 inhibitor

Cancer more sensitive to apoptosis vs. normal after PLK1 loss Novel epigenetic MoA

PLK-family kinase selectivity: PLK1 (IC<sub>50</sub> ~3 nM) Biomarkers:

ARID1A, TP53

Bladder, breast, lung, colorectal, hepatobiliary, lymphomas potential single agent activity Oral small molecule PLK inhibitor, best in class <12h half life Anti-cancer activity in 5/13 solid tumors\*

Novel epigenetic mechanism with a unique low dose strategy

\* 1/1 GYN (ovarian); 1/1 NSCLC; 1/1 BTC; 1/1 sinusoidal squamous; 1/1 ACC



### Plogo 140-101 Oral Ph1/2 in Solid Tumors and Lymphoma (ongoing)



#### **Proof of Concept (PoC)\*\***

(Simon 2-stage; 2<sup>nd</sup> /3<sup>rd</sup> line)

Cohort 1: Bladder cancer

Cohort 2: Breast cancer (TNBC)

**Cohort 3:** Lung cancer (NSCLC and SCLC)

**Cohort 4:** Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) and biliary tract cancer

**Cohort 5:** Metastatic colorectal cancer (mCRC) including KRAS-mutated

**Cohort 6:** B-cell lymphoma including diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL)

Cohort 7: T-cell lymphoma (CTCL/PTCL)

**Cohort 8 Basket:** tumors suspected to have related MoA (expand if responses)

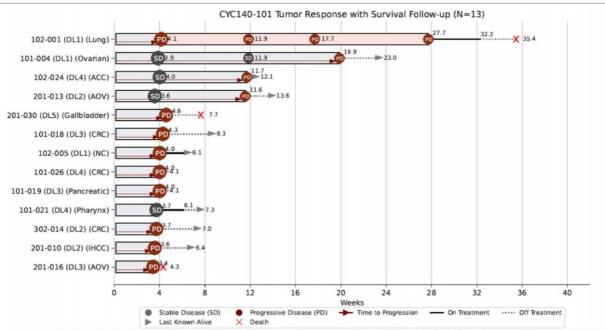
**Pivotal** 

(if randomized study not needed)

Single-arm, open label, study for n=TBD cancer patients

Indication in pivotal study to be determined based on clinical data from PoC

## Plogo Oral 140-101 DL1-4 Swimmers Plot (dose escalation ongoing)



DL1 = Dose Level 1: 50mg, BID MWF, Week 1-3 (300 mg/week) DL2 = Dose Level 2: 50mg, BID M-F, Week 1-3 (500 mg/week) DL3 = Dose Level 3: 75mg, BID M-F, Week 1-3 (750 mg/week) DL4 = Dose Level 4: 100mg, BID M-F, Week 1-3 (1000 mg/week) DL5 = Dose Level 5: 100mg, BID M-F, Week 1-4 (1000 mg/week) DL3 = Dose Level 3: 75mg, BID M-F, Week 1-3 (750 mg/week) DL4 = Dose Level 3: 75mg, BID M-F, Week 1-3 (750 mg/week) DL5 = Dose L

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• Data on file;

# Plogo Oral 140-101 Related TEAEs (interim DL1-4, ongoing)

	Dose level	DL1 5mg, QD M-F Week 1 to 3 (25 mg/weekly)	DL 4 15mg, QD M-F Week 1 and 3 (75 mg/weekly)	DL5 15mg, QD M-F Week 1 to 3 (75 mg/weekly)
System Organ Class/Preferred Term	Total (N=16) n/N	G1 (y=1) x/X	G1 (y=2) x/X	G2 (y=1) x/X
Blood and lymphatic system disorders				
Anaemia	1 (6.2)	-	-	1 (33.3)
General disorders and administration site conditions				
Fatigue	1 (6.2)	1 (33.3)	-	-
Investigations				
Alanine aminotransferase increased	1 (6.2)	-	1 (33.3)	-
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	1 (6.2)	-	1 (33.3)	2

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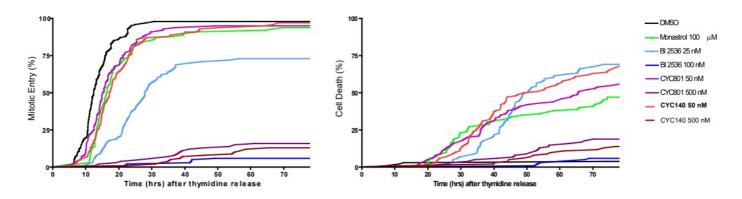
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# Optimizing PLK1i Exposure May Enhance Cell Death Induction – Rationale for Lower, Prolonged Dosing

#### RKO colon carcinoma cell line - Single thymidine block and release prior to treatment

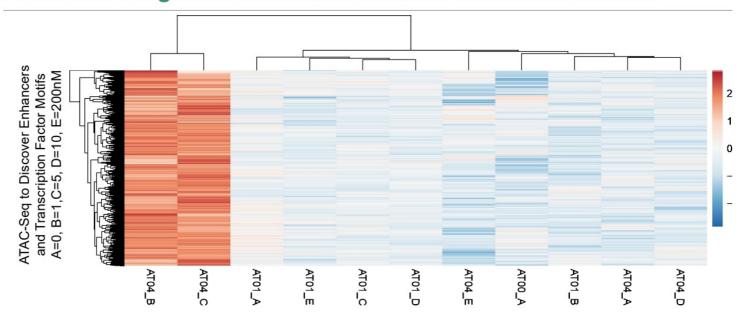


At high doses, PLK1i treatment stops growth; at lower doses PLK1i starts cell cycle and then more tumor cells die.



Aspinal et al., Oncotarget, 2015, 6, 36472-88 and company data on file.

# **Low Dose Plogo has Dramatic Effect on Chromatin Access**



Red: open & transcribing segments. Blue: closed chromatin segments



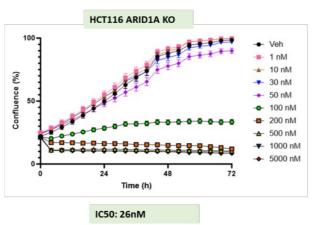
Data on file. Top 1000 Highly Variable Peaks identified in ATAC seq analysis excluding 24 hrs timepoint.

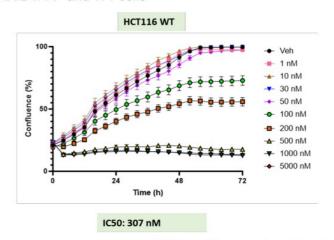
# Plogo efficacy on ARID1A mut and WT CRC, ovary and lung cells

Cell lines	CYC IC50
A2780 (Ovarian)	8.9 nM
NCI-H1229 (Lung)	14 nM
NCI-H23 (Lung)	34 nM

These are ARID1A mutant (A2780) or SMARCA mutant (lung lines)

#### • PLKi in HCT116 ARID1A -/- and WT cells







### Plogo Potentially "Only-in-Class" Epigenetic Innovation

#### Plogo enables chromatin accessibility at low concentrations

Potential activity across epigenetically sensitive tumors

- Sensitive in tumors bearing specific mutations
- o Novel targets in molecular pathways with unmet medical needs
- Could lead to patient selected, biomarker driven Ph1 expansion group

Preclinical sensitivity data from world-class laboratories in CRC, lymphoma, melanoma, ovarian, SCLC.



Data on file.

#### **Milestone Momentum**

Fadra 065-101 - Oral CYC065, CDK2/9 inhibitor in 065-101 Ph 1/2 trial

- Phase 1 readout to include PK, PD, safety and activity data YE 2023
- Determine RP2D and begin Phase 2 solid tumor Proof of Concept 1H 2024
- Initial Phase 2 PoC data from disease specific cohorts\* 2H 2024
- Complete tablet manufacture and validation 2H 2024

Plogo 140-101 - Oral CYC140, PLK1 inhibitor with novel epigenetic MoA in 140-101 Ph 1/2 trial

- Phase 1 dose escalation continues at DL5 to determine RP2D 1H 2024
- Phase 1 readout to include PK, PD, safety and activity data 1H 2024
- Disclose novel epigenetic mechanism 1H 2024
- Start biomarker driven PoC Ph 1 expansion cohort 1H 2024



Subject to available capital.





### **Thank You**

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