

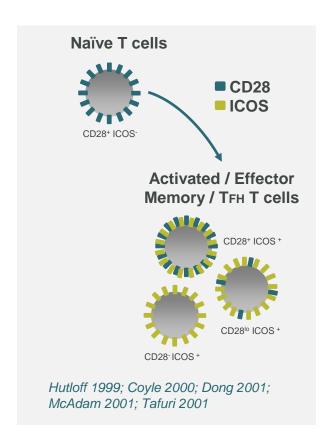
An Open Label Study of ALPN-101, a First-in-Class Dual CD28/ICOS Antagonist, in Subjects with Steroid-Resistant or Steroid-Refractory Acute Graft Versus Host Disease (BALANCE)

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# Rationale for Targeting CD28/80/86 and ICOS/ICOSL in GVHD



 CD28-CD80/86 blockade (abatacept) shows benefit for acute GVHD in humans

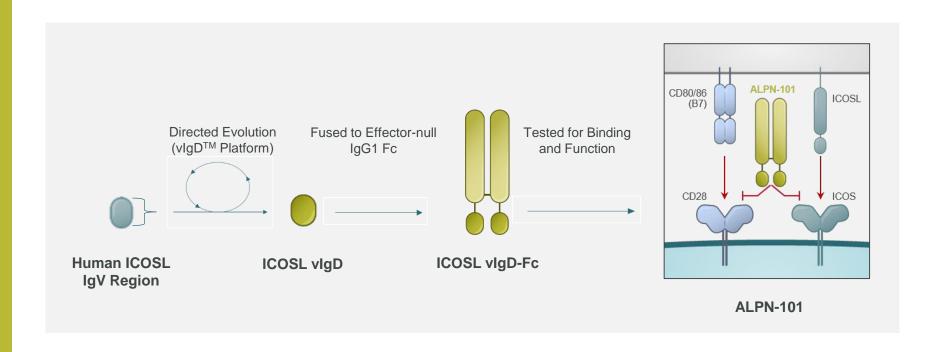
Nahas 2018; Jaiswal 2016; Elfeki 2014

 ICOS blockade or deficiency reduces acute GVHD in animal models

Taylor 2005; Adom 2018; Li 2016; Watkins 2018; Hubbard 2005; Burlion 2017

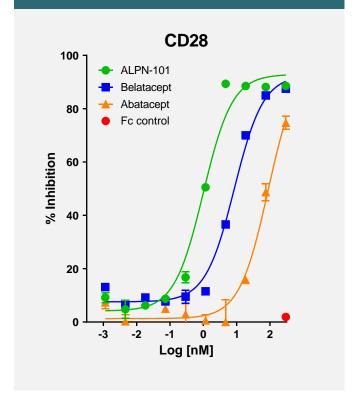
 Dual blockade of CD28 and ICOS with ALPN-101 demonstrates benefit in GVHD and other models Dillon 2018; Adom 2018

### **ALPN-101: First-in-Class Dual Inhibitor of CD28 and ICOS**

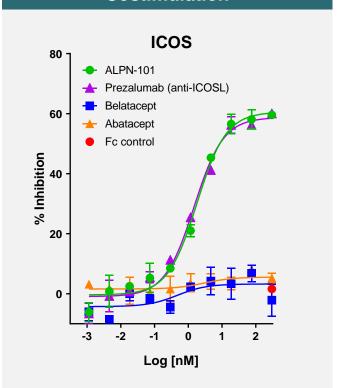


## **ALPN-101: Highly Potent Dual Inhibition of CD28 and ICOS**

# Inhibition of CD28-CD80/86 Costimulation

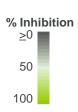


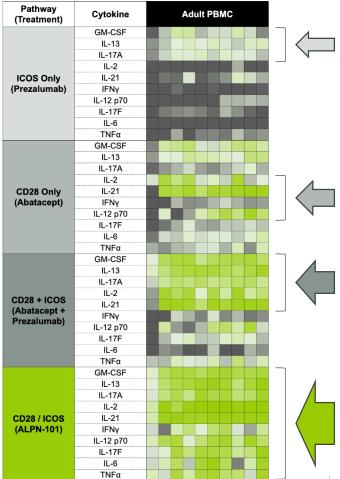
# Inhibition of ICOS-ICOSL Costimulation



# Superior Inhibition of Cytokine Secretion from Stimulated PBMCs by ALPN-101 Relative to Comparators

- PBMCs from healthy donors were stimulated with artificial antigen presenting cells
- After 48 hours, cytokines were assessed in supernatants
- Data are represented as percent cytokine inhibition relative to the Fc control

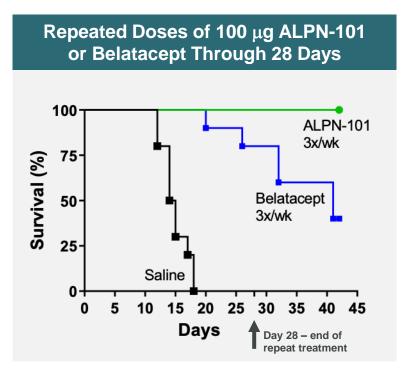


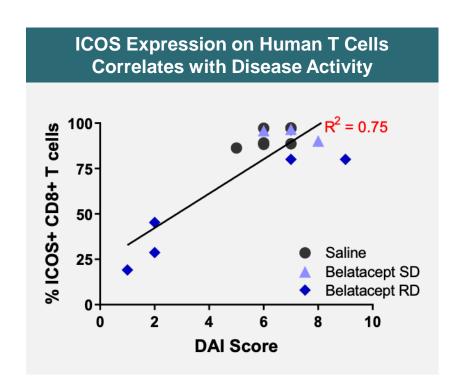


# **GVHD Models**



### ALPN-101: Effective in the Human Xenograft PBMC-NSG GVHD Mouse Model



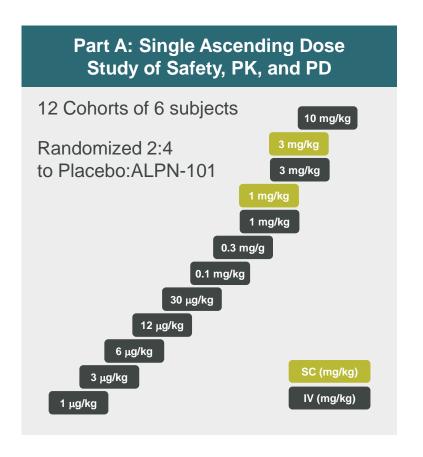


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# Phase 1 Results: AIS-A01 Part A



### **ALPN-101: Well Tolerated in First-in-Human Study in Healthy Volunteers**



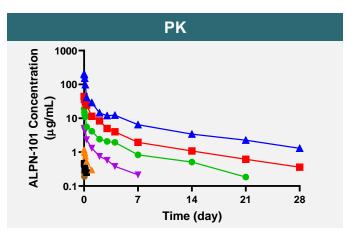
# Safety in Doses That Maintain Target Saturation up to 4 Weeks

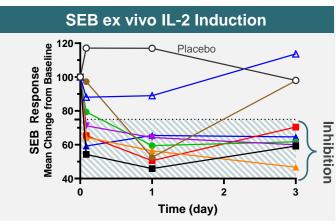
- No dose limiting toxicities
- No grade 3 or 4 adverse events
  - The most common AEs were self-limited upper respiratory tract infections and headaches
- No infusion reactions
- No cytokine release (CytokineMAP A&B)

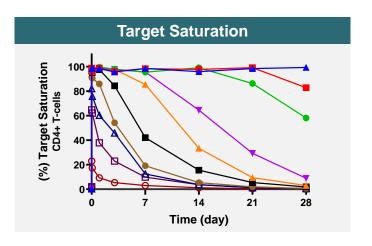
### **ALPN-101 Achieved Targeted Pharmacodynamic Activity**

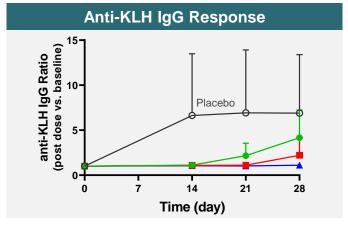


- 3 mg/kg
- 1 mg/kg
- → 0.3 mg/kg
- → 0.1 mg/kg
- **■** 0.03 mg/kg
- 0.012 mg/kg
- → 0.006 mg/kg
- → 0.003 mg/kg
- → 0.001 mg/kg
- Placebo









# Phase 2 GVHD Study Design

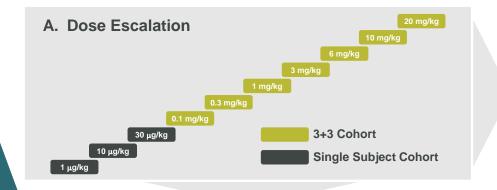


# BALANCE (AIS-A02): ALPN-101 in Steroid-Refractory Acute GVHD (Phase 1b/2)

A first-in-disease study to establish minimal effective dose and recommended Phase 2 dose

#### **Study Population**

- Adults
- 1st allogeneic stem cell transplant
- Grade 2-4 aGVHD by MAGIC criteria
- Steroid resistant or refractory aGVHD
- ALPN-101 in combination with Investigator's choice of salvage therapy



#### B: Expansion at selected dose or doses

- Simon 2-stage expansion rules, start with up to 10 subjects
- Partial or complete response in at least 3 patients will lead to increase cohort by additional 15 patients

#### **Study Endpoints**

- Safety over 28 days
- Viral activation; cytokines
- PK; immunogenicity
- Standard response rates
- Use of glucocorticoids
- Long term survival
- Target saturation, immunophenotyping, & other exploratory biomarkers

#### **ALPN-101 Conclusions**

- First-in-class dual inhibitor of CD28 and ICOS
- Effective compared to inhibitors of each pathway alone in ex vivo and in vivo models
- Well tolerated through doses sustaining targeted pharmacodynamic activity
- Phase 1b/2 acute GVHD study in startup

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