



# Overcoming Traditional Design Limitations With AI-Based Discovery

REC-617: Interim Phase 1  
Monotherapy Dose Escalation  
Clinical Data



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# Summary of ELUCIDATE initial clinical data

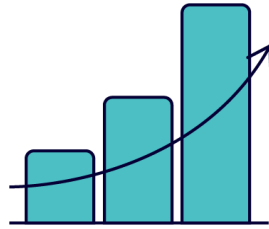
- REC-617 is an **orally active, highly selective, reversible CDK7 inhibitor**
- Precision designed using the Recursion OS platform, REC-617 is optimized **for rapid oral absorption** and a **half-life tailored to enable optimal dosing regimens** for patients
- **Robust PK exposure** ( $IC_{80}$  and above) and **strong target modulation in the clinic (~80-90%)**, with **high oral bioavailability** and **superior target coverage** amongst oral investigational CDK7 inhibitors
- REC-617 is preliminarily observed to be **well tolerated with predominately Grade 1-2 AEs**
  - **No treatment discontinuations to date due to AEs**, with reduced GI side-effects compared to published data on CDK7 inhibitors
  - Dose escalation still on-going
- **Encouraging interim monotherapy antitumor activity** at tolerable dose
  - **1 confirmed partial response (PR) with a durable response** ongoing after more than 6 months of treatment
  - **Four additional patients achieved durable (up to 6 months of treatment) stable disease (SD) as best response**
- **MTD has not been reached**
- **Next steps: Continue monotherapy dose escalation** (QD and BID) and **initiate combination studies in H1, 2025**

# Issues we must collectively address



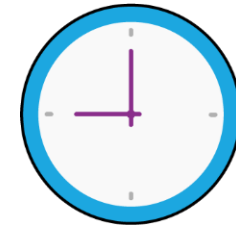
**>90%**

Clinical attrition rate



**\$2.4+ billion**

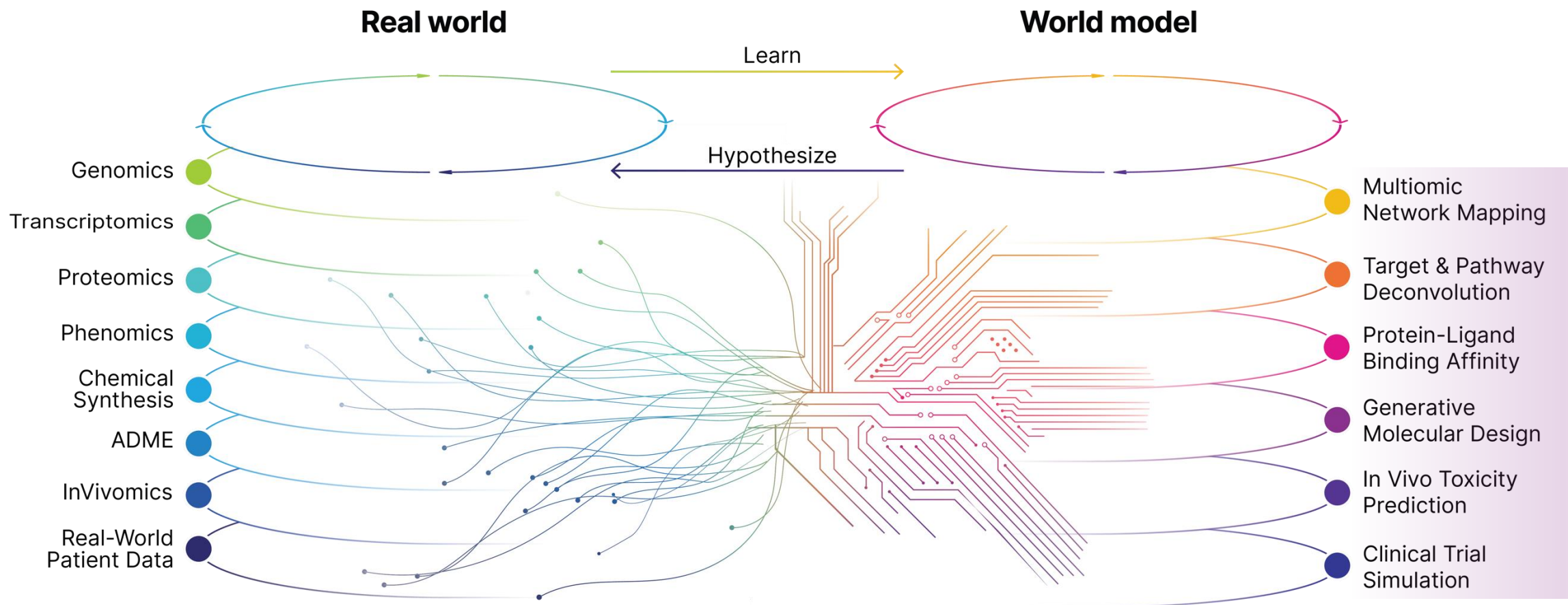
Cost of failure  
(attrition weighted)



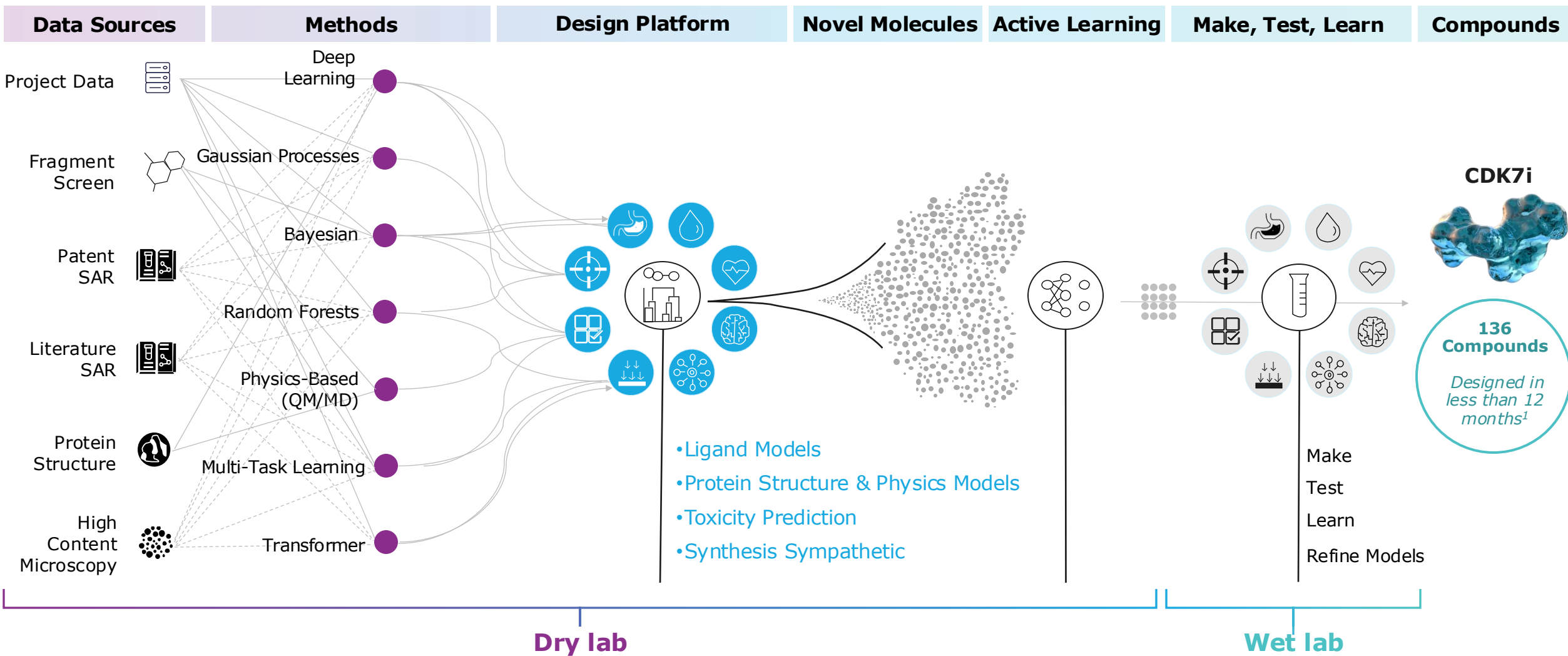
**10-15 years**

To commercial launch

# Recursion OS: End-to-end AI tech stack for drug discovery



# Recursion's precision design platform



# CDK7: A multi-pronged therapeutic strategy

## Cell cycle dysregulation and transcriptional "addiction" are both hallmarks of many aggressive cancers

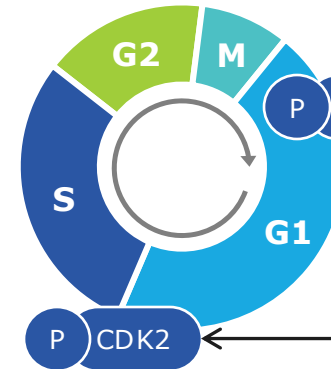
- Simultaneous inhibition of both mechanisms should allow CDK7i to be both effective and overcome common adaptations
- Cell lines resistant to CDK4/6i respond to CDK7i
- CDK7 phosphorylates multiple targets including ER

## Combining CDK7 inhibitors with agents targeting complementary pathways may achieve a more comprehensive antitumor response

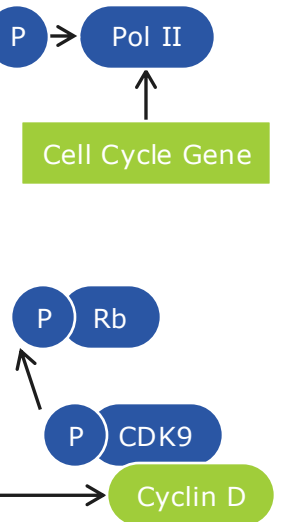
### The design challenge

- CDK7 is indispensable for cell proliferation<sup>1</sup>
- High turnover cells (neutrophils, intestinal, and gastric epithelia) need to be managed

### Cell Cycle Dysregulation in Cancer



### Transcriptionally Addicted Cancers



1. Gunuza, M., Sáiz-Ladera, C., Cañamero, M. et al, EMBO J, 31, 2498 (2012). <https://doi.org/10.1038/emboj.2012.94>; Sources: Zhang M et al, Am J Cancer Res. 2021 May 15;11(5):1913-1935; Schachter and Fisher, Cell Cycle 12:20, 3239-3240; October 15, 2013; © 2013 Landes Bioscience; Patel et al (2016) Clin Cancer Res (2016) 22 (23): 5929-5938; Sava GP et al, Ali S. Cancer Metastasis Rev. 2020 Sep;39(3):805-823.; Xu et al. 2020 Nature

# Precision design for optimizing therapeutic index with CDK7

***In an oral molecule, how do we look to achieve a therapeutic index (TI) >1?***

Highly selective  
for CDK7

Rapid oral absorption  
to reduce GI tissue  
exposure (highly  
permeable with  
minimal transporter  
interactions)

Reversible MOA  
allows fine control of  
target engagement

Manage time on  
target while limiting  
drug holidays

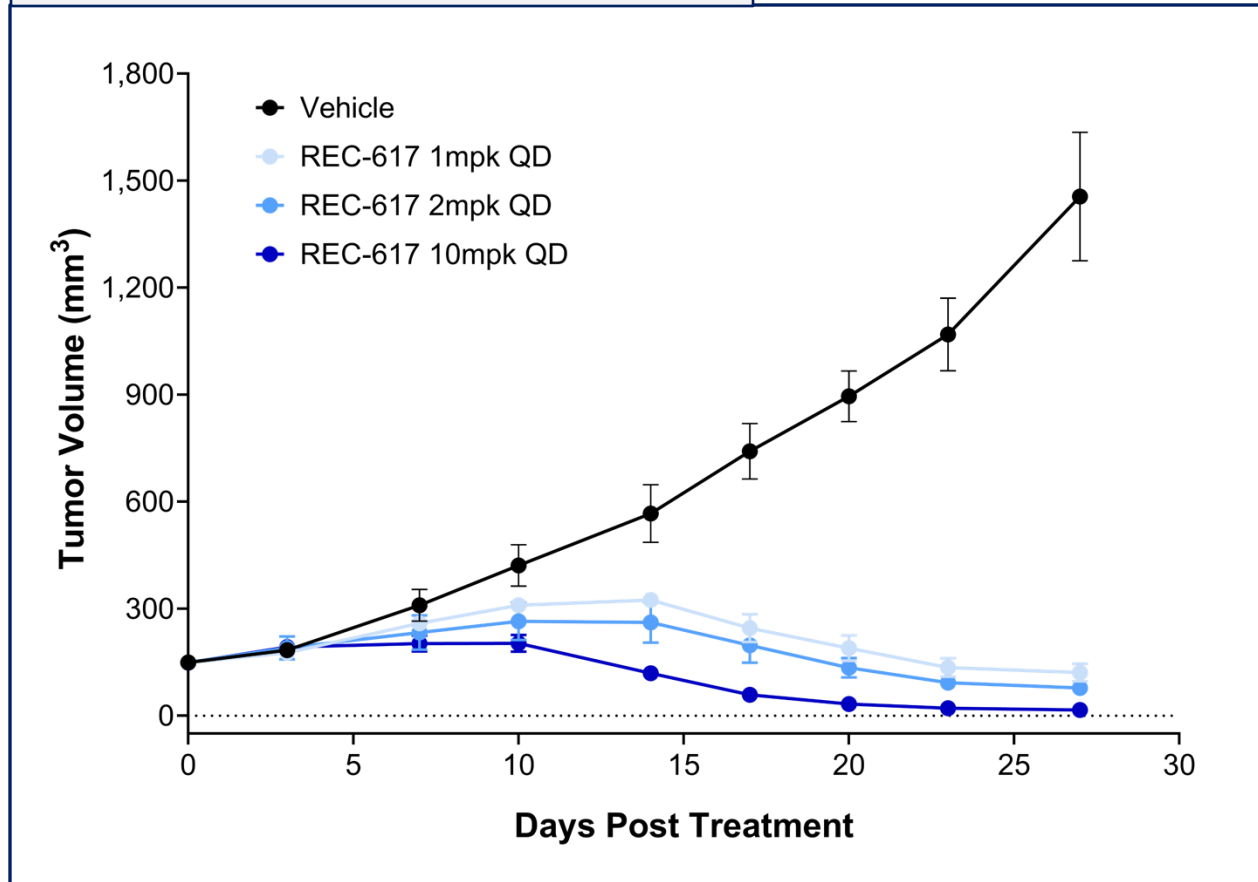
Short human half-life  
to enable clinical  
team to optimize  
dosing regimen

Select tumors with  
high dependency on  
CDK7



# In vivo: REC-617 demonstrates potent tumor regressions in *CCNE1*-amp CDX model

## OVCAR3 CDX (*CCNE1*-amplified)

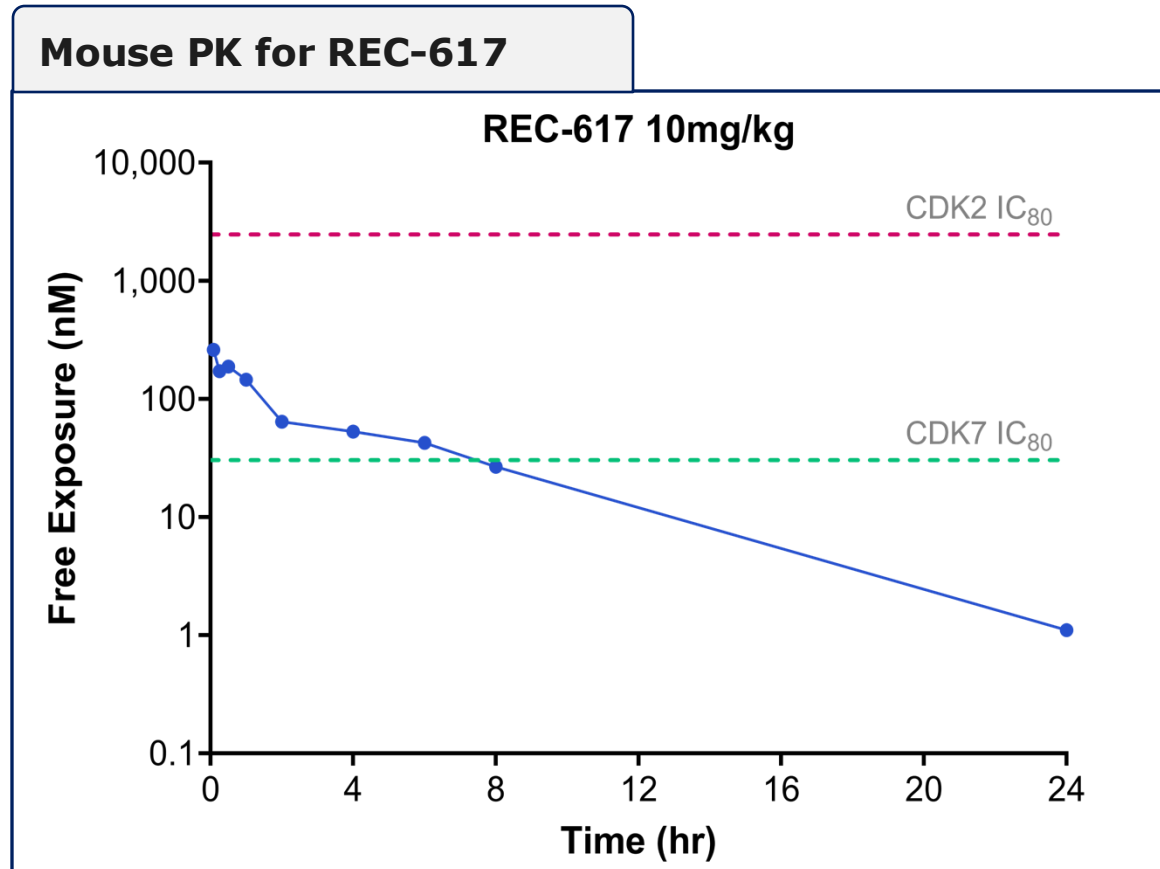


- N = 8
- 28-day treatment
- REC-617 administered QD PO



- **No significant body weight loss** seen across treatment arms
- **8/8 mice in 10mpk arm had complete tumor regression at Day 27**

# In vivo: REC-617 is a potent and selective CDK7 inhibitor with favorable PK



- Day 1 PK samples
- **~6-hour coverage over CDK7 biochemical IC<sub>80</sub>** lead to complete tumor regression
- 82-fold window over nearest off-target

# REC-617 has Best-in-Class potential

Designed to be selective, rapidly absorbed, reduce interaction with GI transporters and result in better AE management

Category	Assay	SY-5609	Samuraciclib	REC-617
Potency & Selectivity	CDK7 IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	Meets or exceeds criteria	Minor deviation	Meets or exceeds criteria
	CDK family selectivity	Meets or exceeds criteria	Major deviation	Meets or exceeds criteria
	HCC70 (breast cancer) IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	Meets or exceeds criteria	Minor deviation	Meets or exceeds criteria
ADME	Caco-2 A2B (efflux) 10 <sup>-6</sup> cm/s	Major deviation	Major deviation	Meets or exceeds criteria
	Human half-life (hr)	Minor deviation	Major deviation	Meets or exceeds criteria

■ Meets or exceeds criteria  
 ■ Minor deviation  
 ■ Major deviation

CDK7 IC<sub>50</sub>: green <10nM; yellow 10-30nM; red >30nM

CDK7 selectivity: green >100-fold; yellow 30-100-fold; red <30-fold

HCC70 IC<sub>50</sub>: green <100nM; yellow 100-500nM; red >500 nM

Caco-2 A2B (efflux): green >3(<5); yellow >1.5(<10); red <1.5(>30)

Half-life: green <15, yellow <24, red >24

- REC-617 has **high permeability, low efflux** – consistent with **rapid absorption**
- Other compounds preclinically:
  - Low permeability and higher efflux suggesting slower absorption
  - Will take significantly longer to reach steady state
  - Long half-life and persistent inhibition of CDK7 potentially driving AEs

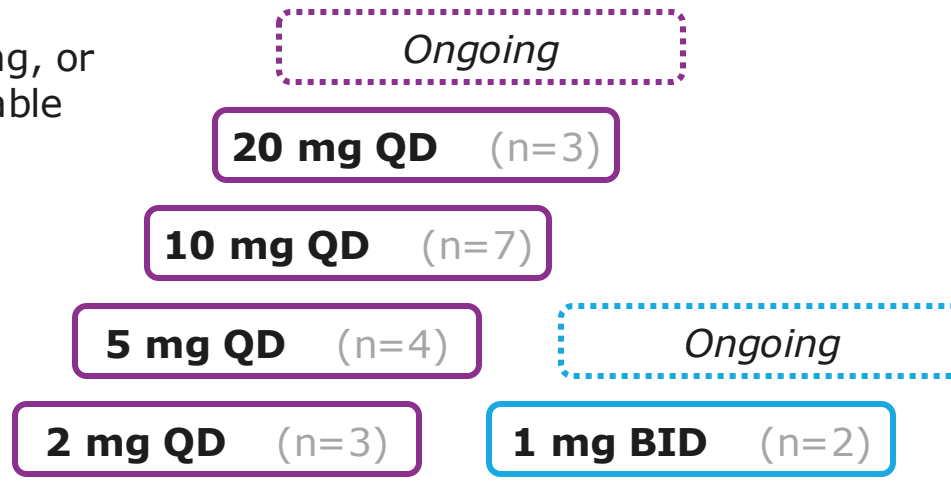
# ELUCIDATE: FIH Phase 1/2 clinical trial of REC-617 in advanced solid tumors

## Phase 1 Monotherapy Dose-Escalation

REC-617 advanced solid tumors

**Enrollment commenced July 2023**

- Unresectable, locally recurrent, or metastatic cancer
- Progressed following, or intolerant to, available standard of care treatments
- ECOG PS 0-1



- 18 of 19 response evaluable patients<sup>1</sup>
- PK/PD
- MTD not reached
- Parallel dose escalation ongoing
- Prophylaxis for N/V/D<sup>2</sup> not mandated

# Patient population: Heavily pre-treated with ~4 median prior lines of anti-cancer treatment

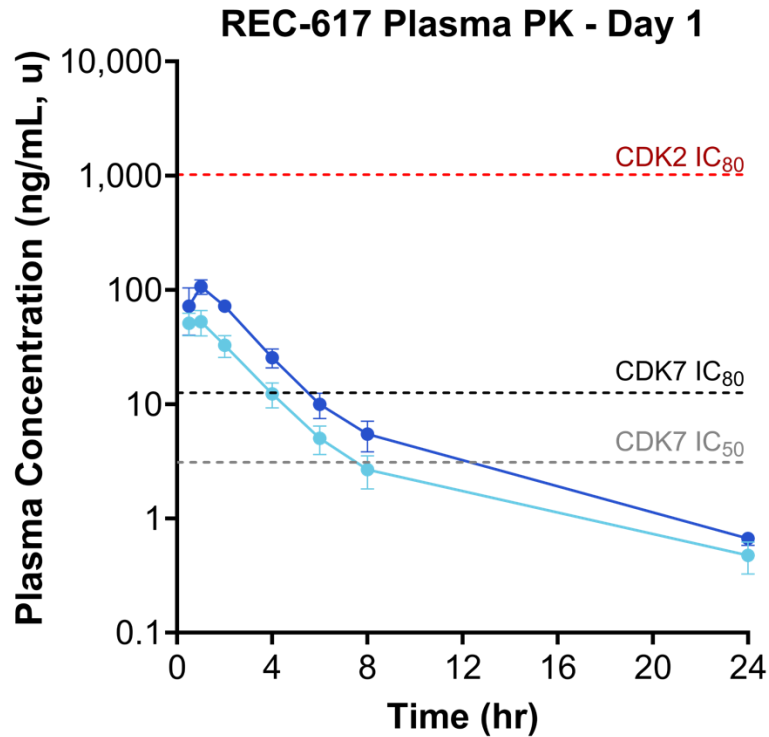
Patient Characteristic	All Patients (N=19) <sup>1</sup> 18 of 19 response evaluable patients	Prior Lines of Therapy in the Advanced Setting (median) <sup>3</sup>
<b>Age, Median (range), Years</b>	60 (30, 79)	
<b>Female</b>	9 (48%)	
<b>Tumor Type</b>		
Colorectal Adenocarcinoma	10 (53%)	4
HR+/HER2- Breast Adenocarcinoma <sup>2</sup>	3 (16%)	4
Epithelial Ovarian Carcinoma	3 (16%)	4
NSCLC	2 (10%)	3
Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma	1 (5%)	3

1. Data-cut off : 15 November 2024. All data shown as n (%) unless otherwise specified

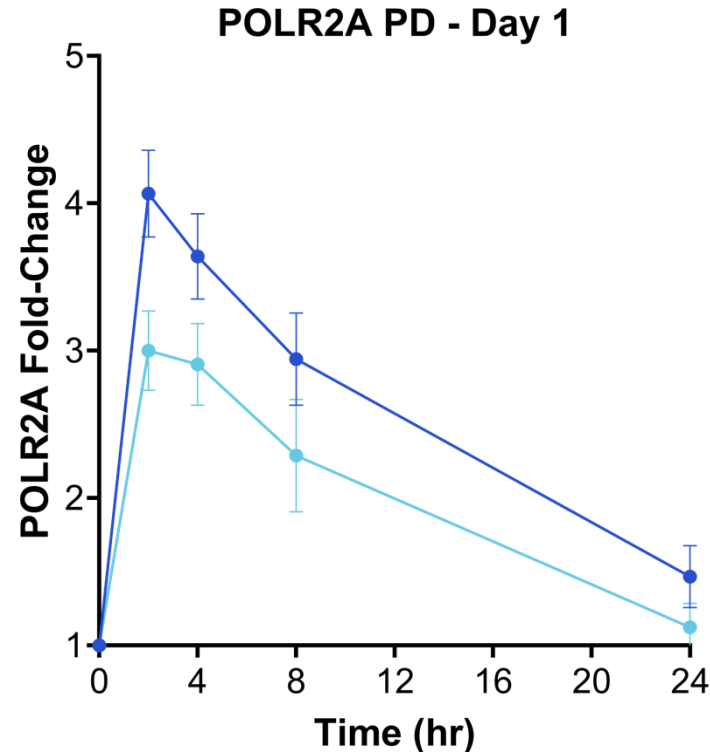
2. All patients received CDK4/6 inhibitors in prior lines

3. Advanced setting: Locally advanced pre-metastatic and metastatic setting - includes adjuvant and neo-adjuvant treatment regimens as 1 line of therapy

# REC-617 achieves dose dependent PK/PD and strong target modulation in the clinic



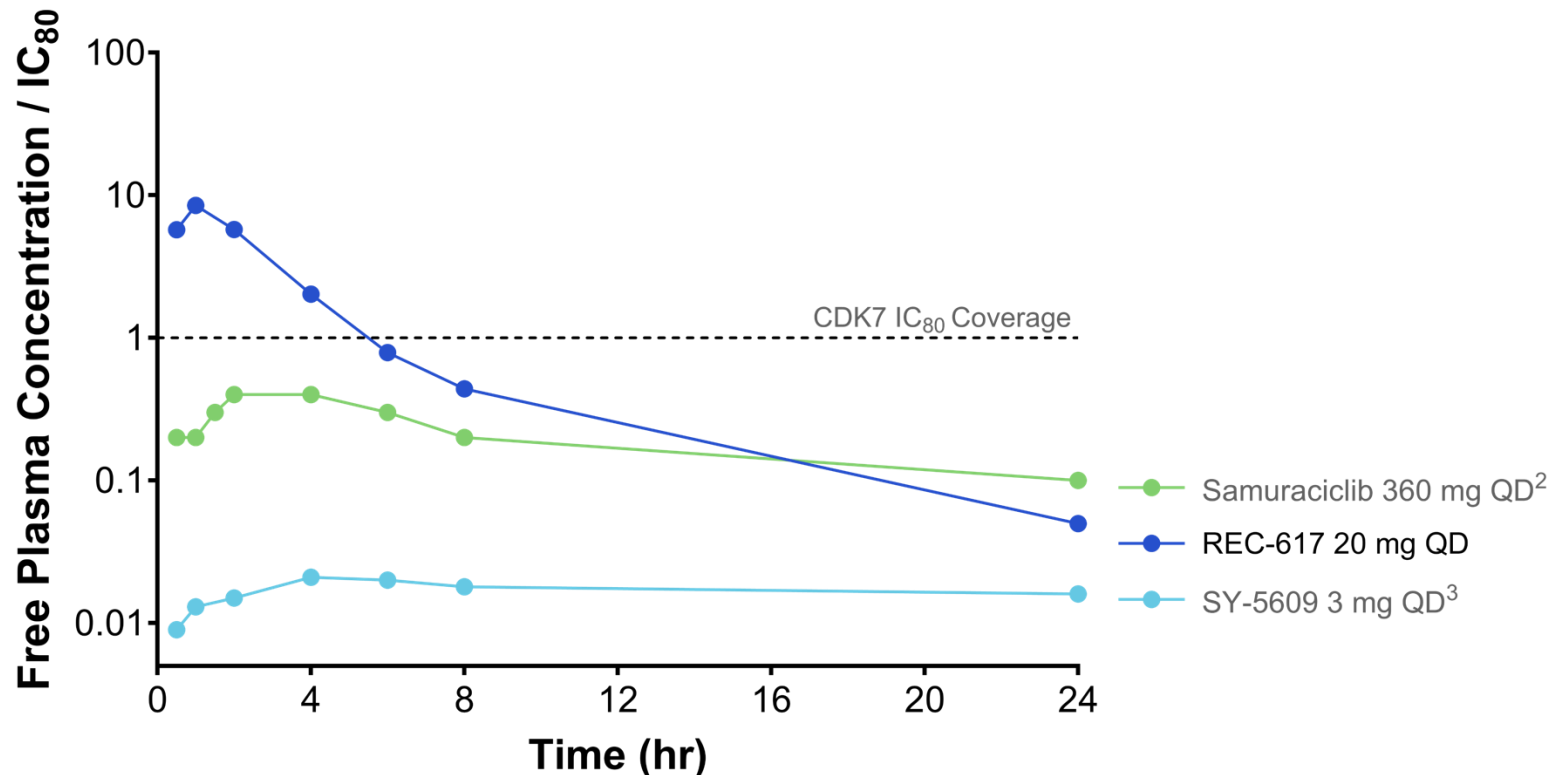
● REC-617 20 mg QD  
● REC-617 10 mg QD



## PK/PD Summary

- **Dose-Linear PK:** REC-617 exceeds CDK7 IC<sub>80</sub> with rapid absorption (T<sub>max</sub> 0.5–2h) and short t<sub>1/2</sub> (5–6h)
- **Robust Target Engagement:** Early POLR2A 3–4x modulation suggests ~80–90% target engagement<sup>1</sup>
- **Rapid Transient Modulation:** Quick, time-limited target engagement with POLR2A normalization in 24h
- **BID Evaluation:** Twice-daily dosing under investigation

# REC-617 offers a differentiated profile that potentially improves the therapeutic index

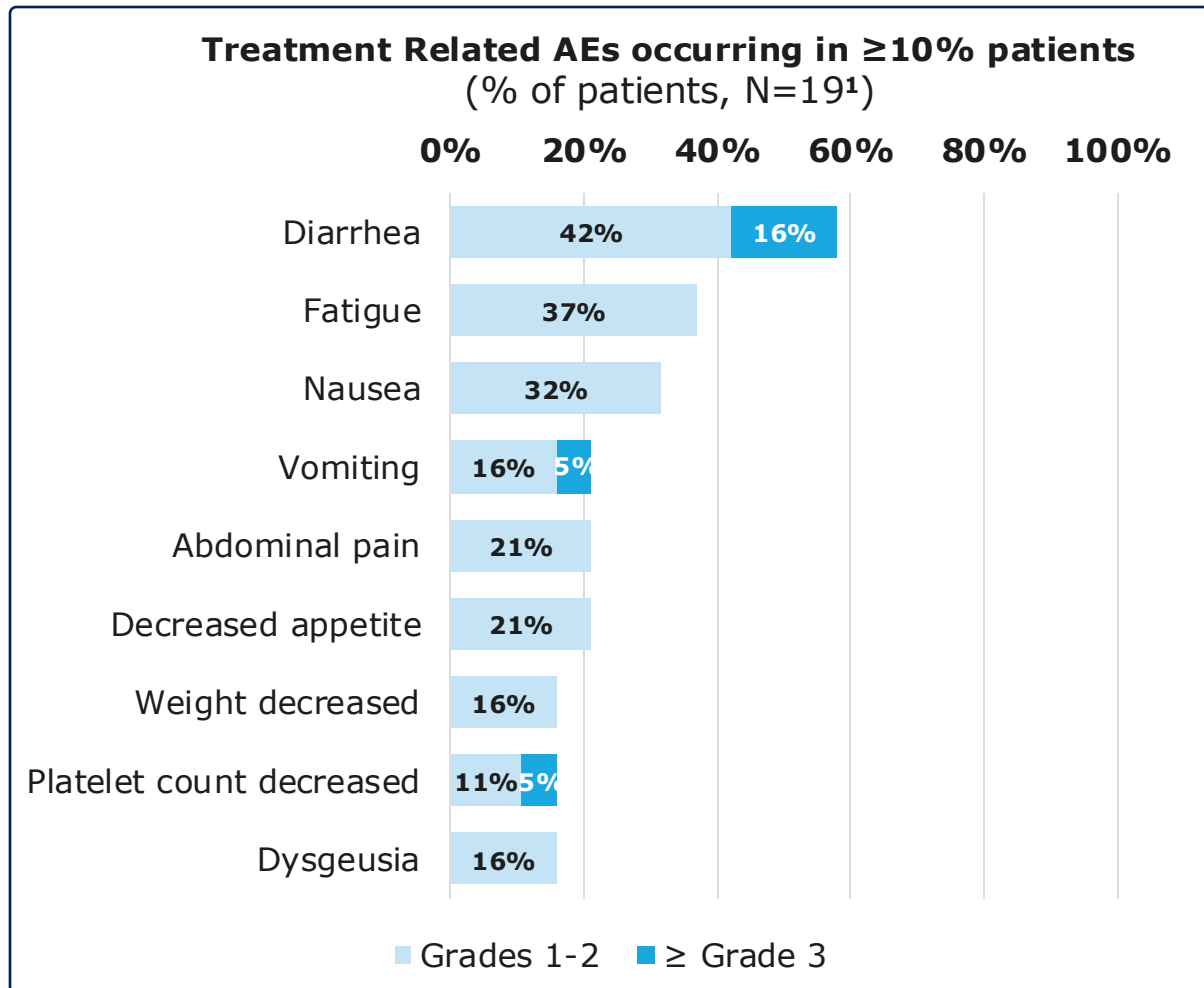


## Competitive Differentiation

- Data suggests **superior target coverage for REC-617**<sup>1</sup> compared to two clinical CDK7 inhibitors
- REC-617 is **more rapidly absorbed** (earlier T<sub>max</sub>) compared to reported PK from two CDK7 inhibitors<sup>2,3</sup> suggesting **a reduction in localized GI residence time**
- **A shorter half-life** would allow for flexible target modulation, which may **improve the therapeutic index** in the clinic

1. CDK7 IC<sub>80</sub> reflects biochemical in vitro potencies on file  
2. Coombes, RC, Nat Comms (2023)  
3. Papadopoulos KM, et al. ENA (2020)

# Preliminary safety data suggests potential Best-in-Class oral CDK7 inhibitor



- **Adverse events (AEs) were predominantly low grade, on-target, and reversible upon treatment cessation**
- **Early data indicates a favorable safety profile – Maximum tolerated dose (MTD) not reached**
  - **No treatment discontinuations due to AEs** compared to competitor (~14%)<sup>2</sup>
  - **Lower drug-related diarrhea** (58%) than competitor (82%)<sup>2</sup>
- **3 treatment related SAEs** reported in 2/19 patients; enterocolitis (G2, C1), diarrhea (G3, C2), nausea/vomiting (G3, C1)
  - Events resolved and treatment continued after dose reduction
- **Antiemetics, anti-diarrheals not mandated prophylaxis for nausea / vomiting / diarrhea**

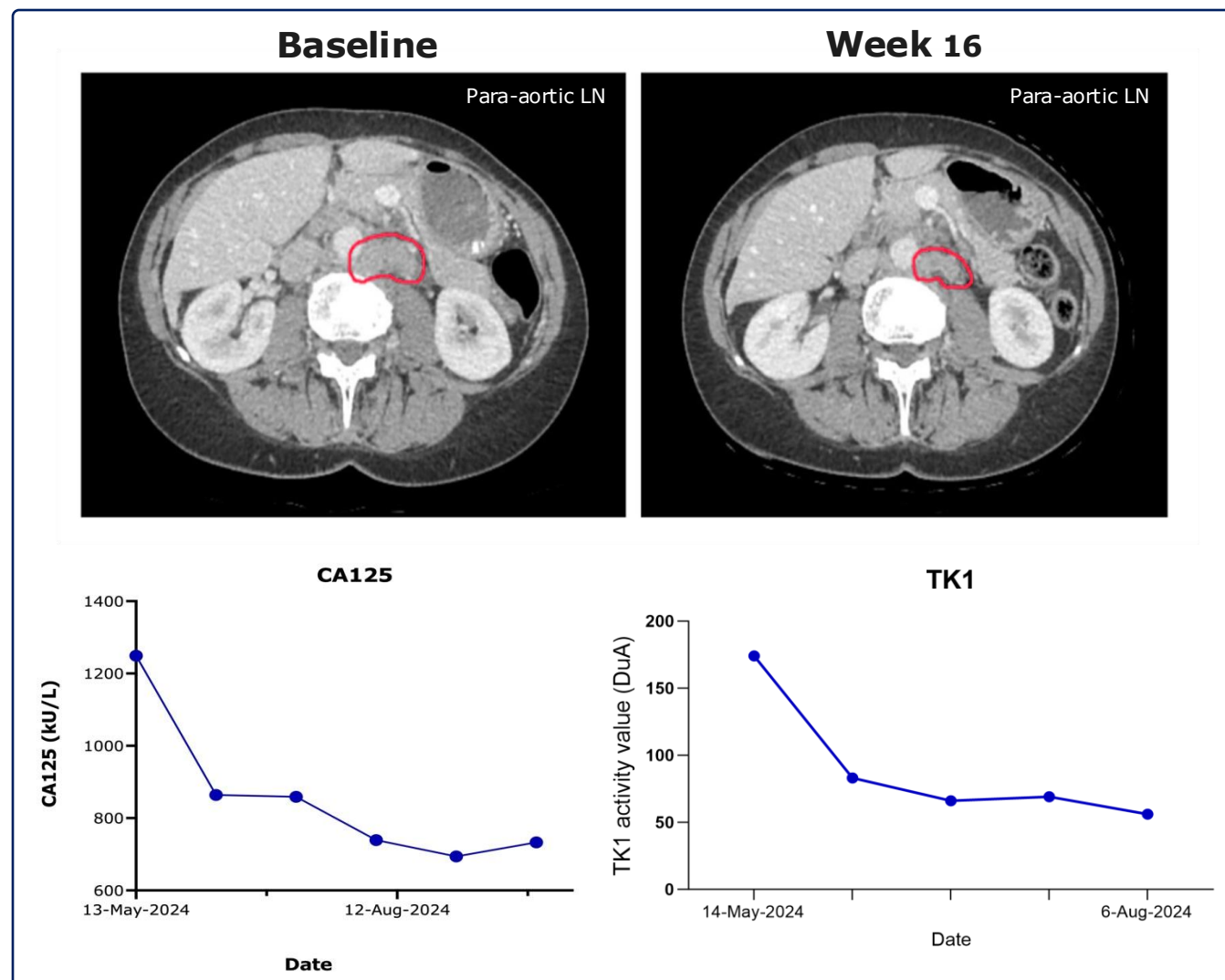


# Monotherapy response: Confirmed durable PR observed in heavily pre-treated metastatic ovarian cancer

- **One confirmed, durable partial response (PR)** by RECIST 1.1<sup>1</sup>
  - 69-year-old woman with **platinum resistant ovarian cancer**, who had **progressed following 4 lines of prior therapy in advanced setting** with **metastatic disease to lungs and lymph nodes**
    - Patient was diagnosed with Stage IIIC ovarian cancer in 2019
  - No BRCA1/2 mutation, low tumor mutational burden, and small TP53 variant (VAF 8%)
  - Initiated therapy at 20mg QD, dose reduced at Week 4 to 10mg QD due to transient Grade 3 nausea
- **Four additional patients achieved durable (up to 6 months of treatment) response of stable disease (SD)** as best response across multiple dose levels
  - All four patients progressed prior to entering the study
  - Three CRC patients (6L-7L) and one NSCLC patient (4L)
  - One patient on 2mg QD and three patients on 10mg QD

# Monotherapy response vignette

- **One confirmed, durable partial response (PR) by RECIST 1.1<sup>1</sup>**
  - **Partial response (-34%) achieved with reduction in 2 lymph nodes (para-aortic and mesenteric) at Week 16 with normalization of LDH**
  - **Reduction of tumor marker CA125 from 1249 to 694 kU/L (-44%)**
  - **Reduction of tumor marker TK1 from 174 to 56 DuA (-68%)**
  - **Response ongoing after more than 6 months of treatment. Patient continues study therapy without need for antiemetics**



# Advancement of REC-617

- **Parallel dose escalation (QD and BID) of monotherapy** ongoing
  - BID dosing schedule may provide optimal coverage
- **Combination studies expected to initiate for ELUCIDATE in H1, 2025**
- ELUCIDATE and preclinical updates to be presented at future medical conferences
- Patient selection to leverage Recursion's multimodal RWD and Casual AI models

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What's next?

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