

Sona's 'Targeted Hyperthermia Therapy':

Realizing The Full Potential of Immunotherapy: The Clinical Promise of THT

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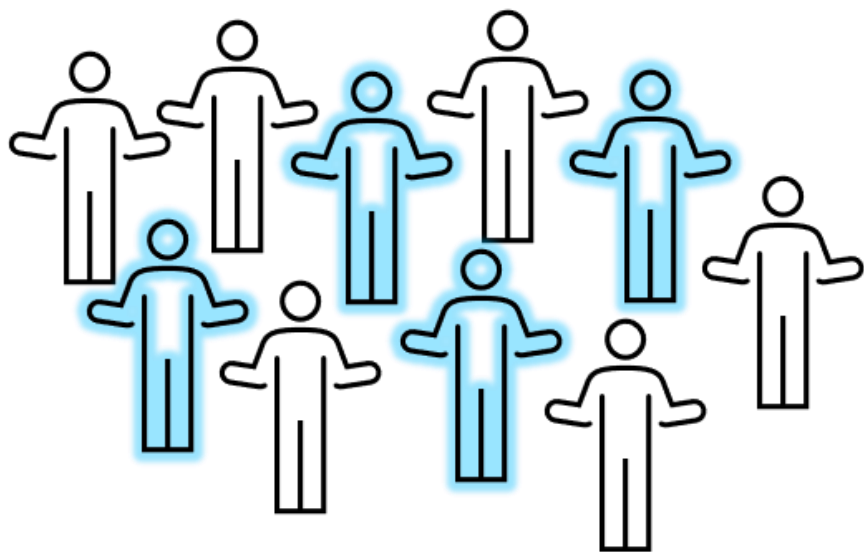
Executive Summary



- Sona's gentle and biocompatible therapy 'primes' tumors immunogenically so they respond to immunotherapy cancer drugs
 - Potential to significantly raise current immunotherapy drugs response rates from ~21% average
- Sona's therapy primed 8 of 10 biopsied tumors in patients who had failed on standard immunotherapy
 - 6 of those 10 showed no evidence of cancer on biopsy within two weeks
 - No re-growth unexpectedly observed in several patients at six-month follow-up
- Combination therapy with cancer drugs *in mice* demonstrates cancer suppression
 - No cancer re-growth seen in 38% of the combination-therapy cohort in a 48 day preclinical study
- Combination therapy studies in humans to provide multiple result read-outs in 2026
 - The IGNITE-THT study will assess THT in combination with immunotherapy in stage III/IV melanoma
 - The PRIME-THT study will assess THT in combination with immunotherapy in stage II/III melanoma

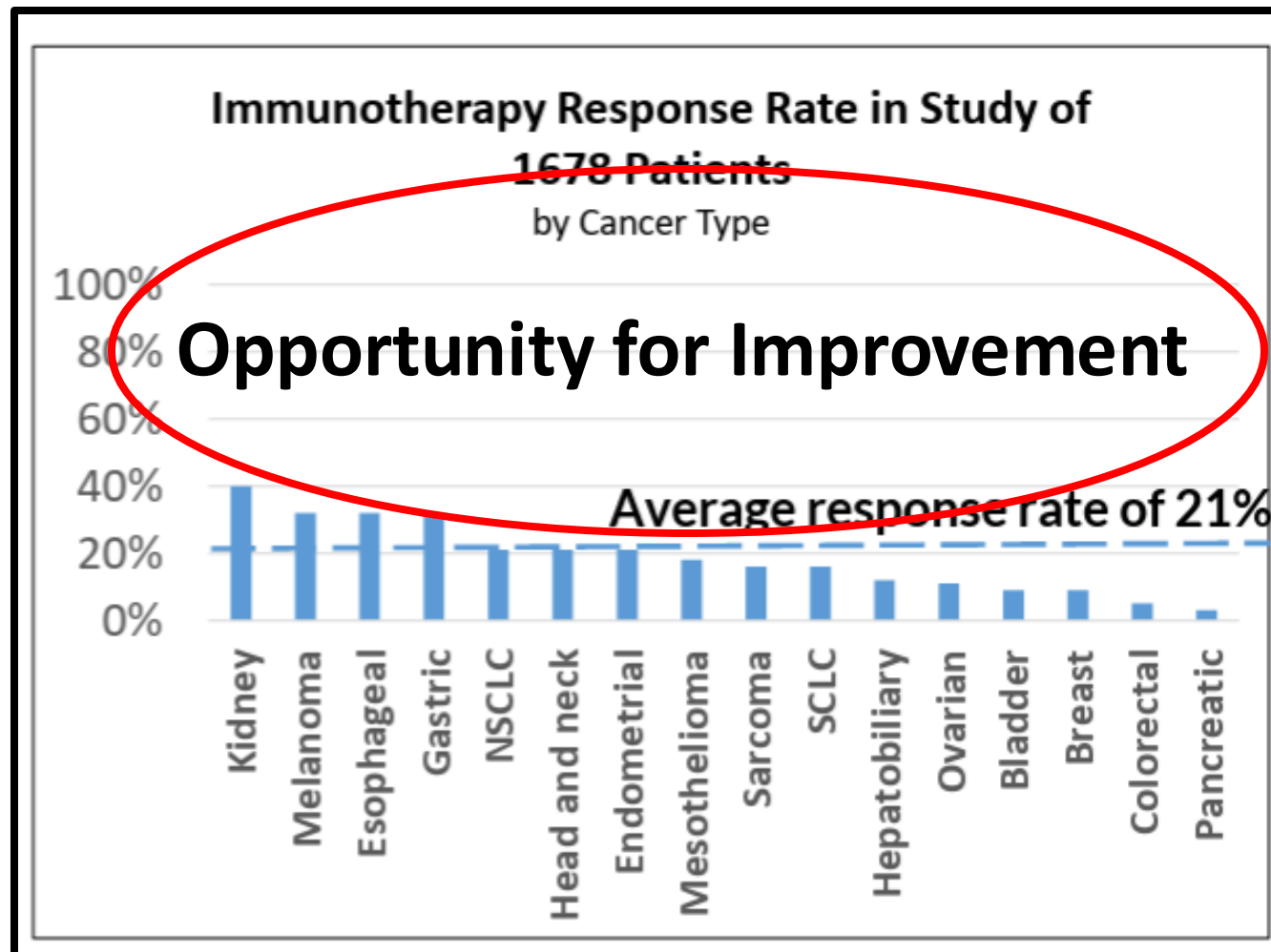
Immunotherapy Was A 2011 Breakthrough in Cancer Care... But Its Full Promise Is Unfulfilled

Efficacy in Melanoma

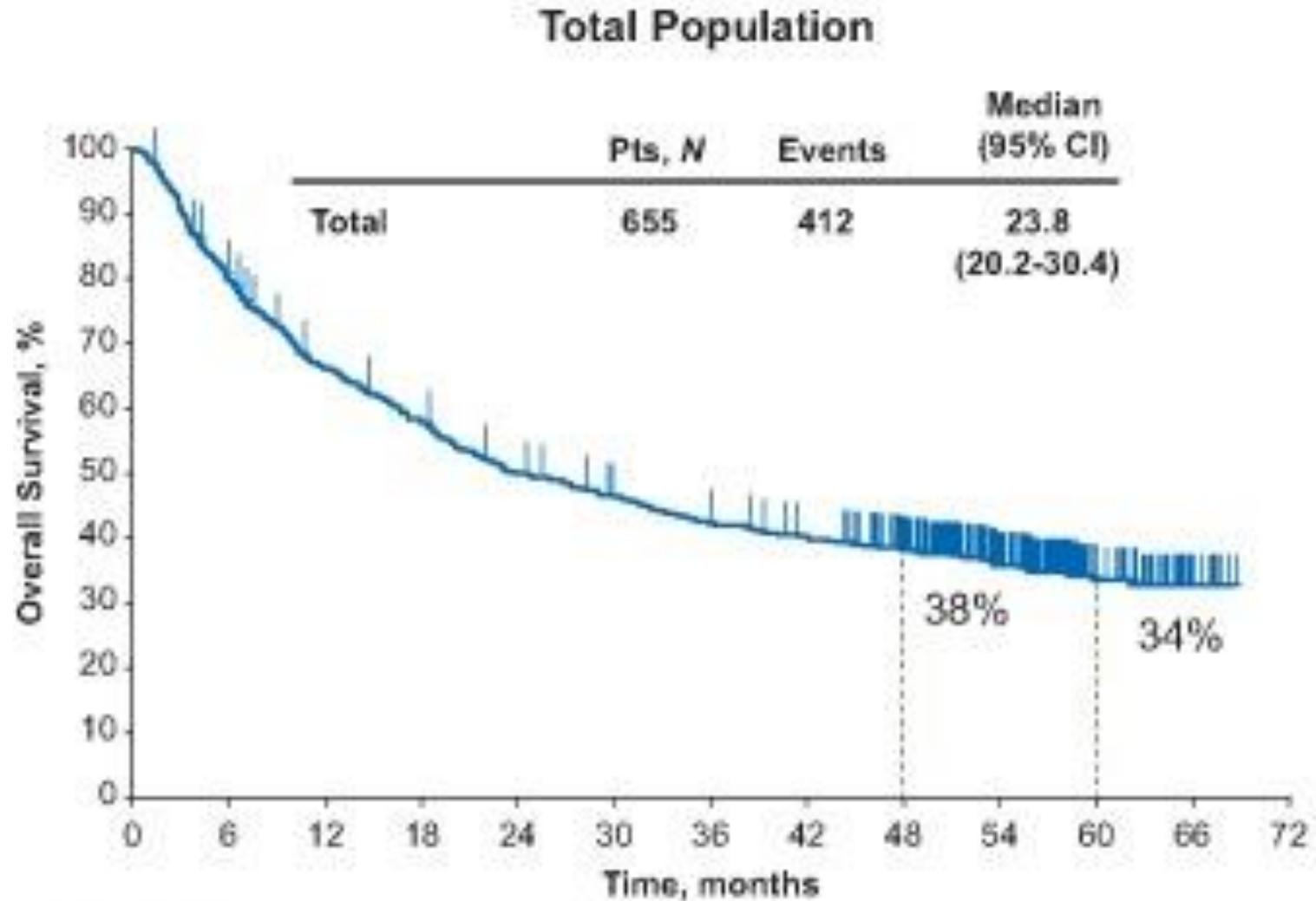


<40% Respond

Efficacy by Cancer Type



As A Result, Only 34% People With Stage IV Melanoma Can Expect To Live Past Five Years



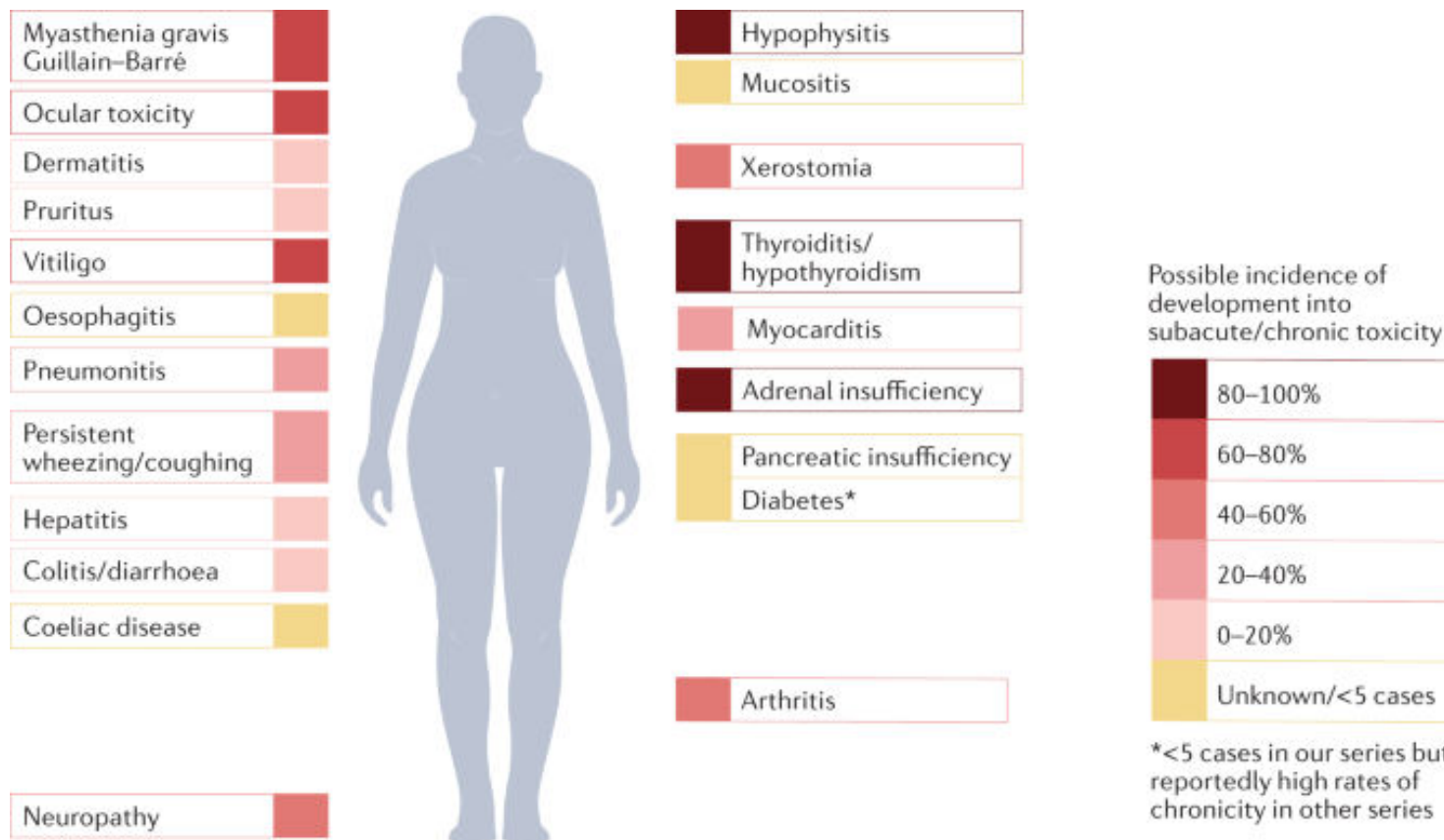
Notes: 1) In a study of overall survival in advanced melanoma

2) Patients treated with anti-programmed cell death 1 or programmed cell death ligand-1 immunotherapy

Sources: Melanoma Volume 30, Issue 4 p582-588; CA A Cancer J Clinicians, Volume: 73, Issue: 1, Pages: 17-48, First published: 12 January 2023, DOI: (10.3322/caac.21763)

Response Rates to Anti-PD-1 Immunotherapy in Microsatellite-Stable Solid Tumors With 10 or More Mutations per Megabase Cristina Valero, MD, PhD,1 et al

For Those Who Do Respond To Immunotherapy, Chronic Toxicity Typically Ensues



**15% – 20%
Grade III or
higher toxicity
with single
agent PD-1
immunotherapy
and up to 60%
when combined
with CTLA-4⁽¹⁾**

Making immunotherapy work more often while also limiting its side effects would represent a transformation in cancer care

Note: ~60% Grade III-IV toxicity when PD-1 and CTLA-4 are combined systemically. Combination immunotherapy raises response rates but at substantial toxicity cost, including life-changing irreversible side effects such as Type 1 diabetes and pituitary failure.

Source: [Nature Reviews Clinical Oncology](#) volume 19, pages254–267 (2022)

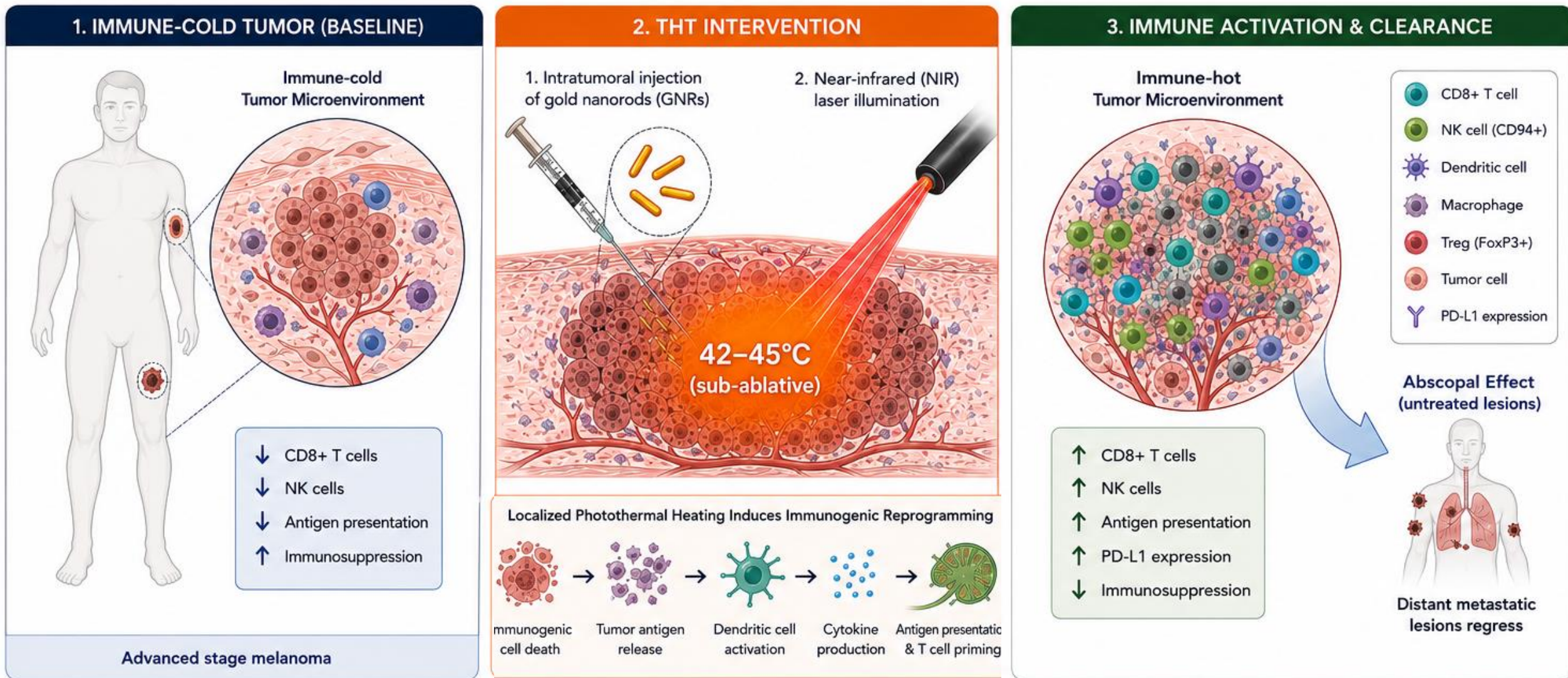
Immunotherapy Response Rates Are Low Because Tumor Antigens Presented Are *Too Weak To Elicit An Immune Response*

Sources of Immunotherapy Resistance

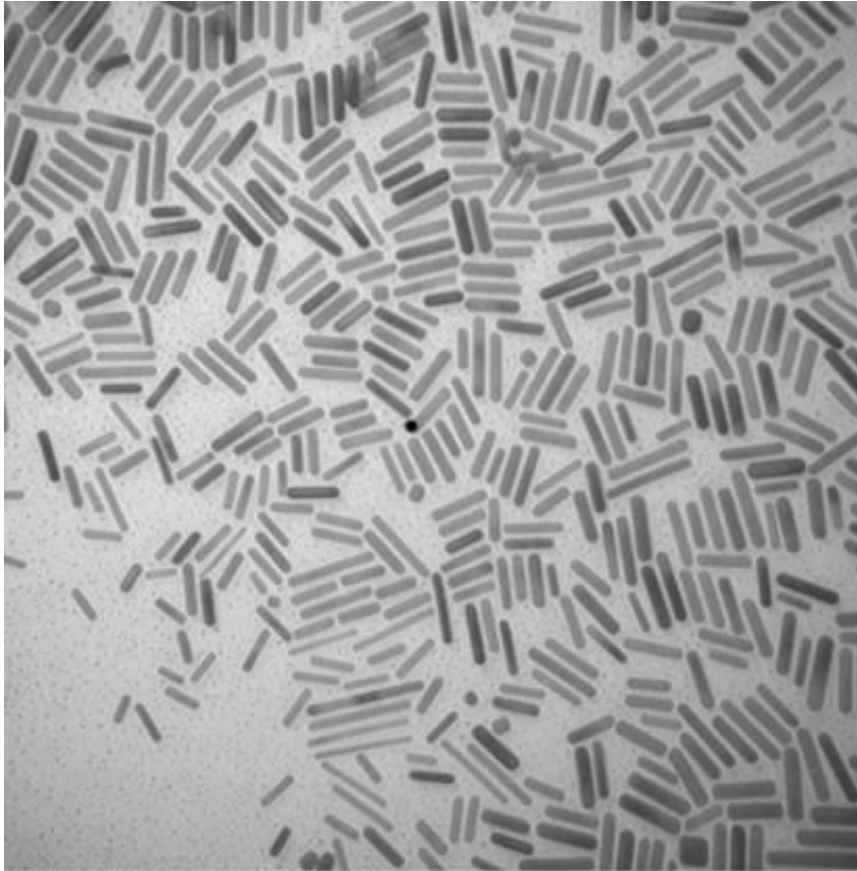
1. *Weak tumor antigen expression*
2. Upregulation of immune-checkpoint molecules (immune fatigue)
3. Activation of alternative signaling pathways
4. Immunoediting

So, how can fresh and stronger tumor antigens be elicited to activate and engage the innate immune system?

Targeted Hyperthermia Therapy (THT) Converts Immune 'Cold' Melanoma Into A Systemically Responsive Disease



THT Uses Sona's Biocompatible Gold Nanorods Which Are Fastest To Convert Light Energy To Heat Tumors From The Inside, Out



A nanometer is a billionth of a metre, so a human hair is ~80,000 nanometers thick

Sona's Gold Nanorod's ("GNR") Advantages

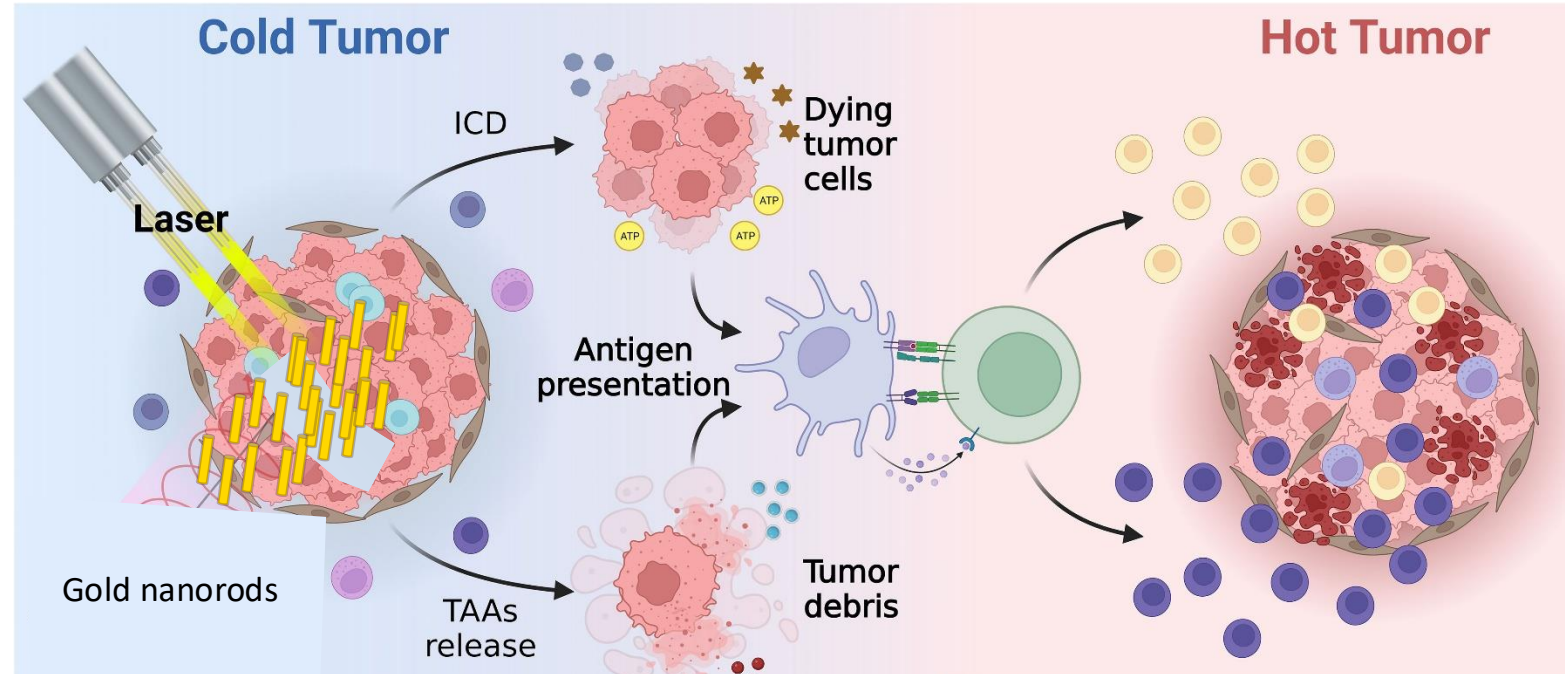
- ✓ **Highly functional:**
 - Optimal nanoparticle for thermal conversion
 - Can be 'tuned' to react to set wavelengths
 - Can be conjugated to molecules
- ✓ **Uniquely Biocompatible:**
GNRs made with inert gold and no toxic "CTAB"
- ✓ **Validated by⁽¹⁾:**



Heating Tumors Sub-ablatively Selectively Kills Cancer Cells And Reveals New Signals That Cause The Immune System To Engage

Targeted Hyperthermia Therapy (“THT”)

- **Near Infrared (NIR) light (860 nanometers)**
 - *Aimed at....*
- **60 x 15 nanometer gold nanorods (GNRs)**
 - *Produces.....*
- **Controllable ~44°C “hyperthermia”**
 - *(A process scientifically referred to as photothermal conversion)*
- **Which kills cancer cells but preserves healthy cells**



Getting the immune system to engage converts ‘cold’ tumors⁽¹⁾ into ‘hot’ ones enabling immunotherapies to work more often

THT Involves In-clinic Injection Of Biocompatible Sona Gold Nanorods Into A Tumor Followed By A 5-10 Minute Application Of Near Infrared Light



Step 1 - Intertumoral injection of 0.5ml GNR solution



Step 2 - Initiate and monitor hyperthermia for 5-10 minutes

Malignant Tumors Biopsied Negative For Cancer Within Two Weeks, With Secondary, 'Abscopal Effect' Also Demonstrated

Day 1 - Pre-THT



Day 16 - After THT x2



Abscopal effect seen as **untreated** tumors improved



8/10
RESPONDERS

Demonstrated pathological response 15 days after first THT

CHILE TRIAL (FIRST-IN-HUMAN) RESULTS



6/10
BIOPSIED TUMORS

Were pathologically cleared of tumor 15 days after first THT



MULTIPLEX IMMUNOFLUORESCENCE

Reveals responders had increased infiltration of CD8+ T cells and NK cells, and elevated PD-L1 expression.

THT's First-in-human Clinical Study As A Monotherapy Demonstrated Safety, Tolerability, Efficacy And Abscopal Effect



Primary Objectives

- **Safety:** No serious adverse events related to the therapy
- **Tolerability:** No drop-outs and no refusals to second treatment
- **Device design:** 16+ technique and device enhancements identified

Secondary Objectives

- **Efficacy:**
 - 80% response rate within first two weeks
 - 60% complete responses (confirmed by biopsy)
 - Abscopal effect seen in patient #7
- **Durability:**
 - No re-growth observed in several patients at six-month follow-up

Sona's First-In-Human Clinical Study Generated Important Insights



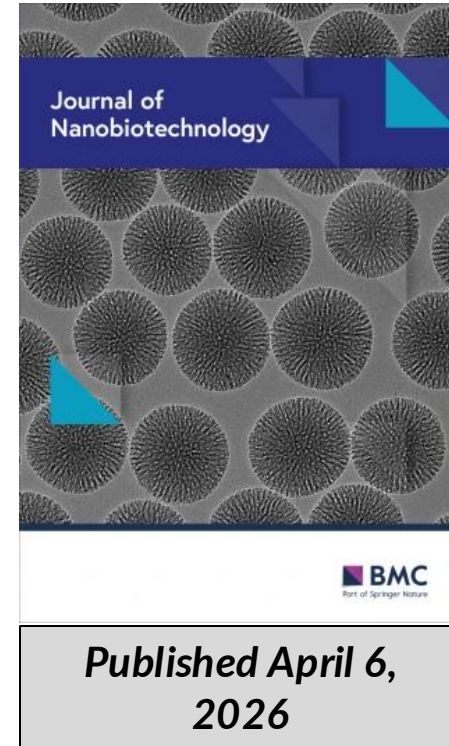
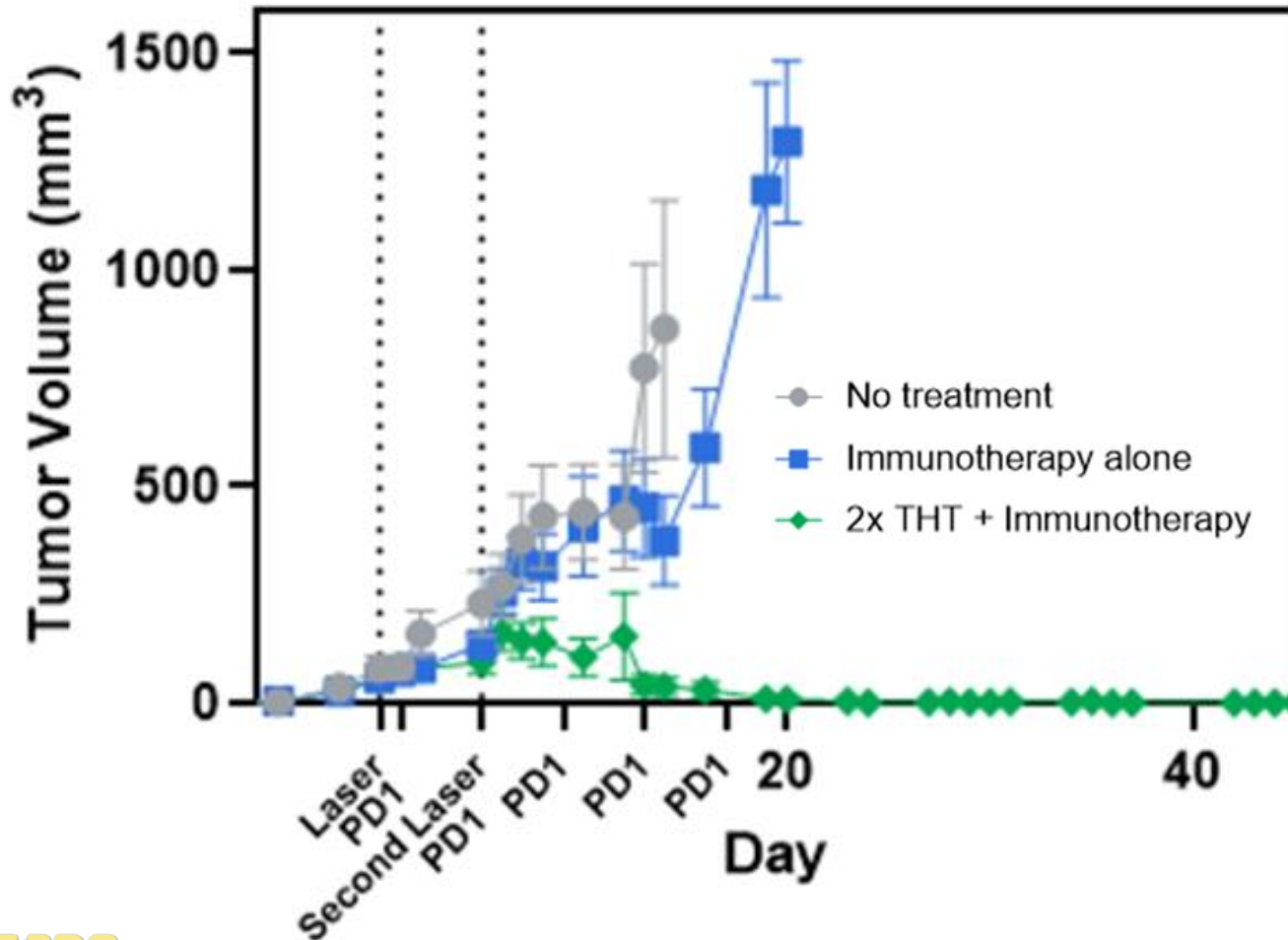
1. **THT primes** tumors immunogenically
2. THT's 'hyperthermia' heat of **~44°C** is correct
3. **Five-minute treatment** is sufficient
4. THT alone (x2) eliminated the cancer in many tumors in **two weeks**
5. No tumor re-growth seen in several patients at six-month follow-up, exceeding expectations
6. **Feasible** treatment for skilled staff in **clinic** environment

Based On This Success, Sona's Clinical Strategy Seeks To Answer Further Questions To Inform Its Regulatory Approval Applications

1. Will THT with immunotherapy as a combination therapy be safe for human patients?
2. Will a combination THT + immunotherapy treatment be tolerable by human patients?
3. Will a combination THT + immunotherapy treatment in humans suppress melanoma tumors in early as well as late stages?
4. Will a combination THT + immunotherapy treatment generate an abscopal effect, indicating a broader immune system education and engagement?

Sona Showed That THT With Immunotherapy Can Unlock Its Full Potential To Suppress Tumor Growth In A New *Preclinical* Colorectal Cancer Study

Colorectal Cancer Tumor Volume



38% of combination therapy cohort showed treatment durability to day 48

The **IGNITE-THT** Study Will Generate Insights On A THT Plus Immunotherapy Combination, Potentially Setting A New Standard For Efficacy And Tolerability In Melanoma Treatment

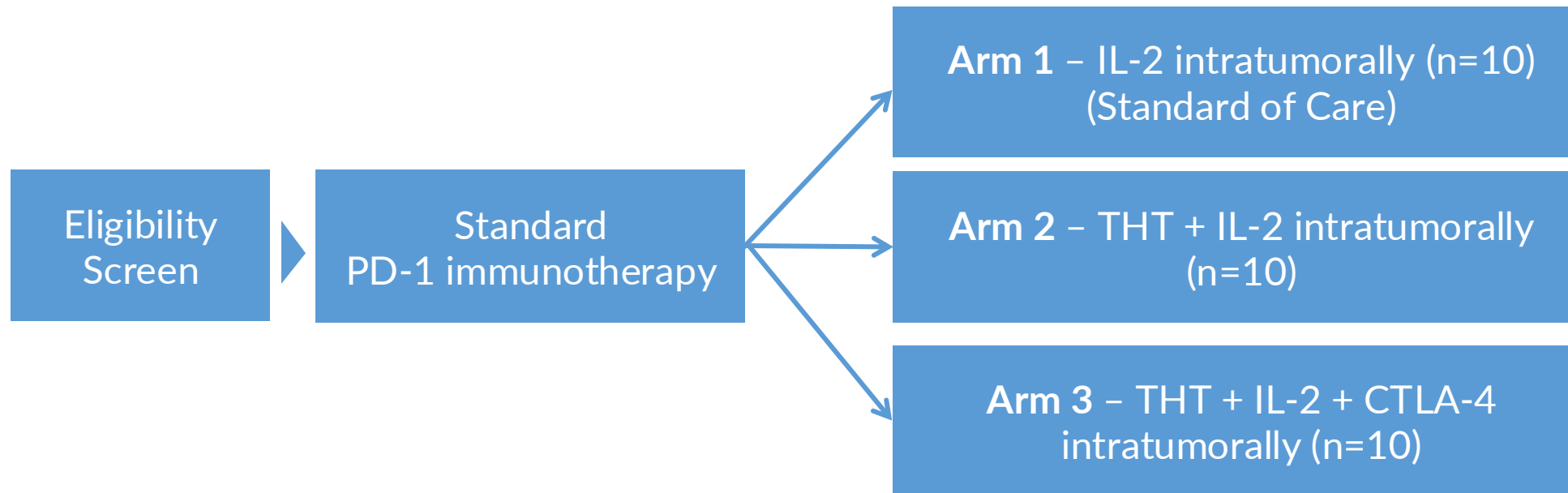


Stage:	Stage 0/I	Stage II	Stage III	Stage IV
Current Standards of Care:	Resection	Resection (2A)	Resectable: Surgery before or after systemic <u>immunotherapy</u>	
		<u>Immunotherapy</u> with surgery (2B and 2C)	Unresectable: <u>Immunotherapy</u>	
Future Potential Standard of Care?			IGNITE-THT (Higher efficacy, less toxicity?)	

The IGNITE-THT Study Will Assess The Combination Therapy's Performance Relative To Two Alternatives

Early Feasibility Study Protocol

(Select Stage III and IV Melanoma Patients, n=30)

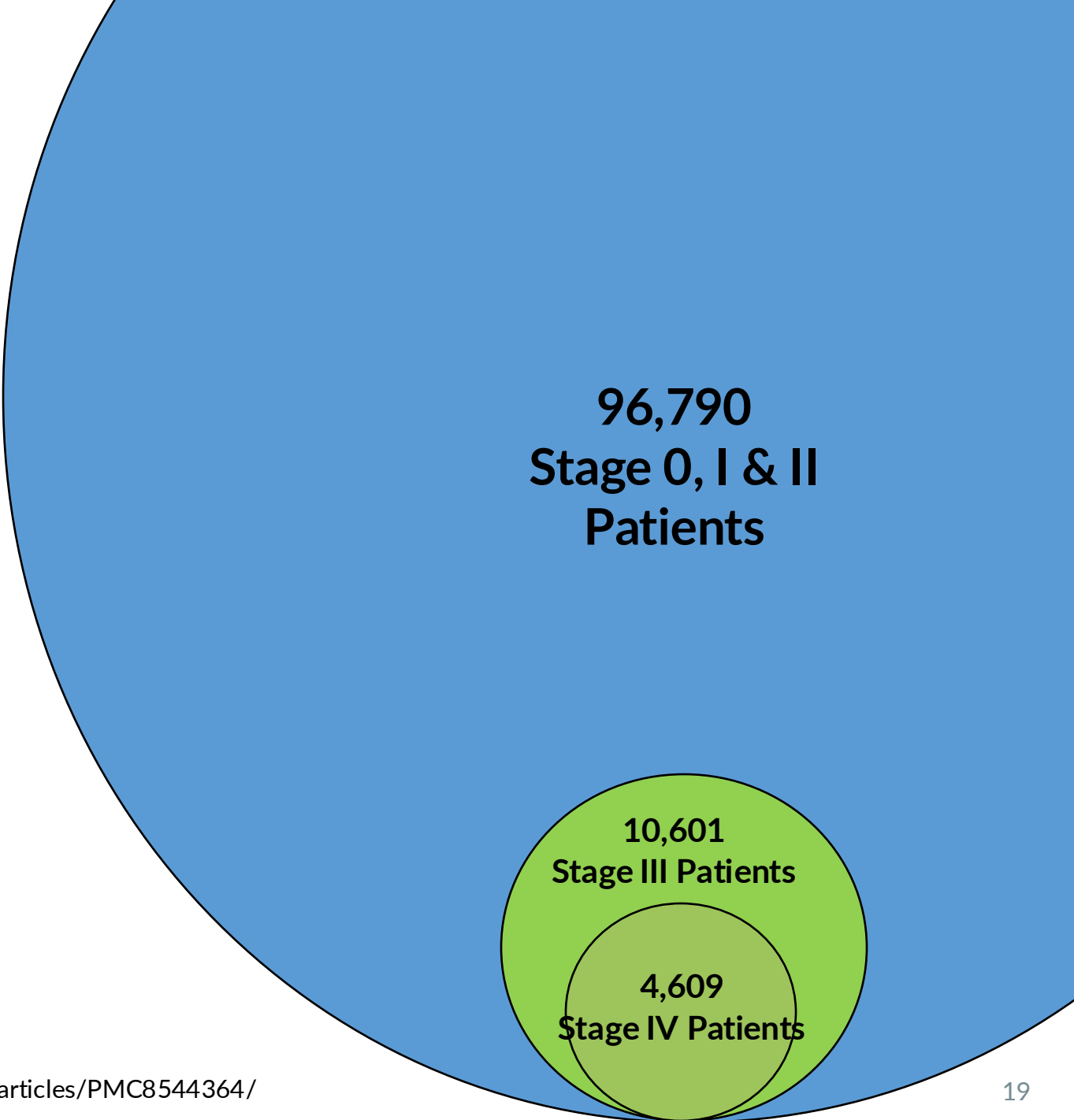


Expected Outcomes:

- Higher response rates
- Increased local efficacy
- Decreased treatment – related toxicity

IGNITE-THT Will Address The Worst Late-stage Cases But Could THT Be Used To Catch The Cancer Before It Spreads In Much Larger Group Affected In Earlier Stages?

New Melanoma Cases Each Year:



Sona's PRIME-THT Study (Precision Regional Immunotherapy For Melanoma Enhanced By THT) Will Look At Earlier Stage Cases

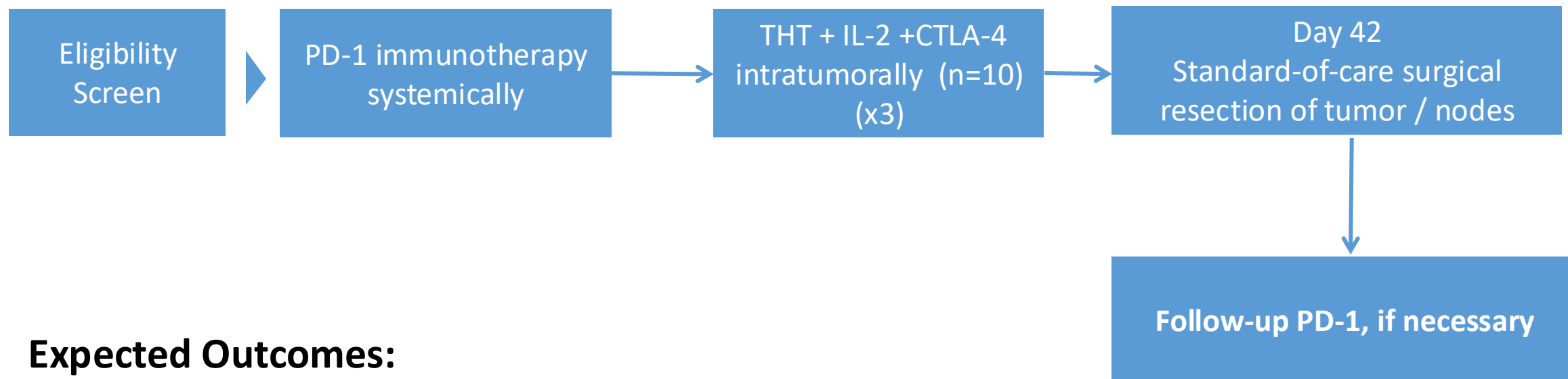
Stage:	Stage 0/I	Stage II	Stage III	Stage IV
Current Standards of Care:	Surgical Resection	Resection (2A)	Resectable	
		Immunotherapy with surgery (2C)	Unresectable: Immunotherapy	
Future Potential Standard of Care?		PRIME-THT (To prevent the spread?)		

THT could enable higher response rates and a route to expanded immunotherapy indications with broader use in stage II melanoma

The PRIME-THT Study Will Assess THT + Immunotherapy Up-front To Prevent Spread and Recurrence from Early-Stage Disease

Early Feasibility Study Protocol

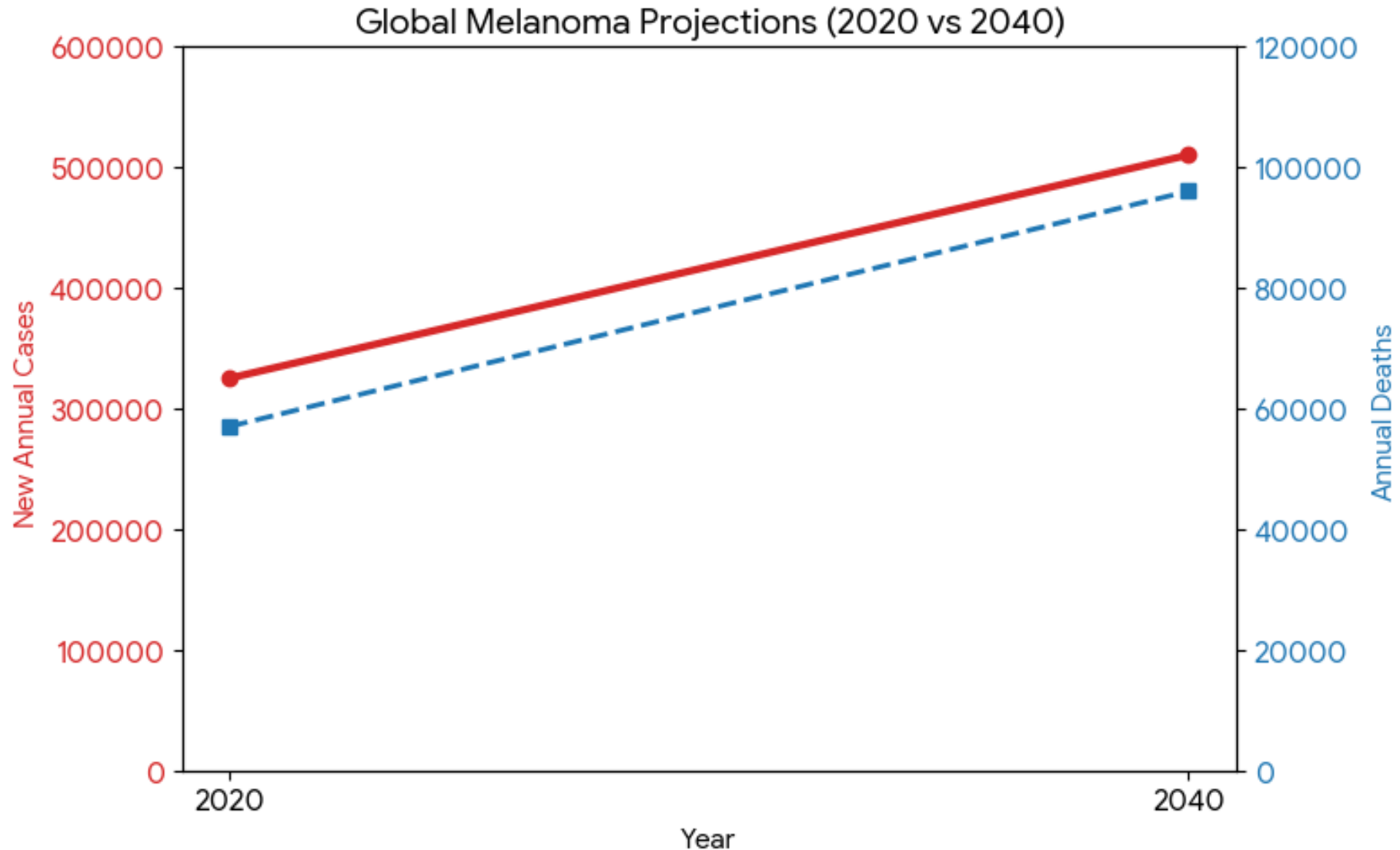
(Select Stage II and III Newly Diagnosed Melanoma Patients, n=10)



Expected Outcomes:

- Higher response rates in ten patient refractory cohort
- Response rates equivalent to current standard of care with reduced systemic toxicity would represent a meaningful clinical advance
- Local efficacy
- Effect in nodes and beyond

IGNITE-THT and PRIME-THT Studies Could Lead To Helping The Growing Number Of People Who Will Be Diagnosed With Melanoma



Source: International Agency For Research On Cancer (<https://gco.iarc.who.int/today/home>)

Sona Intends To Leverage Its Uniquely Biocompatible GNR Platform Technology To Develop Further Applications



Sona's Product Pipeline - By Stage Of Development

PROGRAM	TARGET OR DESCRIPTION	INDICATION	DISCOVERY & CONCEPT DESIGN	PRE-CLINICAL STUDIES	EARLY FEASIBILITY	PILOT	PIVOTAL	APPROVED
THT Solid Tumor Therapy	Melanoma	Stage II/III/IV						
	Breast Cancer							
	Colorectal							
	Oral Cancer							
	Squamous							
	Lung Cancer							
	Glioblastoma							
	Bladder cancer							
	Cervical cancer							
	Rectal cancer							
THT Tri-Conjugate	First conjugate ready for scale-up							
THT Theragnostic Concept	<i>Future development potential</i>							

Sona's THT Therapy Is Proprietary And Benefits From IP Protection

Sona's IP Advantages

- ✓ **Patents:**
 - **Method for Manufacture of Biocompatible Gold Nanorods**
 - Issued: USA, Canada and South Korea. Pending: PCT, EU.
 - **Photothermal Near-Infrared LED Light Device**
 - Issued on Dec. 11, 2014, as US patent #10,064,940
 - **Gold Nanoparticle Conjugates and Uses Thereof**
 - US patent #9,175,015 filed Aug. 22, 2008
 - **Provisional Filings:**
 - Photothermal Near-Infrared Laser Light Device
 - Combination therapies for treating cancer
 - A gold nanorod conjugation concept for targeted drug delivery

- ✓ **THT Theragnostic concept:**
 - *Leveraging both the biocompatibility and functionality of Sona's GNRs to develop an antibody-GNR conjugate to identify and treat specific cancers by applying THT with NIR light*

- ✓ **THT Tri-conjugate concept:**
 - *Leveraging both the biocompatibility and functionality of Sona's GNRs to develop an antibody-drug-GNR conjugate to direct drugs directly to a specific cancer and treat by applying THT with NIR*

- ✓ **Time Advantage:**
 - Moving quickly to maintain Sona's lead to be the first to be approved by regulators

- ✓ **Trade Secrets:**
 - Techniques for delivery of GNRs in vivo and application of laser
 - Protocols for immunotherapy agent combinations

1. **Publish first-in-human results showing THT alone priming tumors**
 - Then tell the world at ASCO on May 30th

2. **Two 'combination' clinical studies with early read-outs expects in Q4 2026**
 - THT + immunotherapy for *late-stage* melanoma to show durability
 - THT + immunotherapy for *early-stage* melanoma to show prevention

3. **Full clinical trial in Canada**
 - Health Canada dialogue ongoing; all questions raised by the regulator are being addressed

4. **Strategic partnering**
 - Dialogue with big pharma/medtech companies

5. **Continued research and IP development**

Sona's Team Hits Above The Company's Weight

Board



Mark Lievonon, C.M.
Chairman

- Led vaccine maker Sanofi-Pasteur to a billion-dollar value



Walter Strapps PhD
Director

- CSO of Khosla Ventures CRISPR/Cas13 biotech



Neil Fraser, P.Eng., MBA
Director

- Led Medtronic Canada for ~20 years



Jim Megann
Director

- 25 years of experience in capital markets



Wayne Myles, KC
Director

- Entrepreneur & lawyer closing transactions at \$B's in value



Len Pagliaro, PhD
Director

- Developer of Targeted Hyperthermia Therapy

Management



David Regan, MBA
Chief Executive Officer

- Capital markets professional
- Former strategy consultant



Dr. Carman Giacomantonio
Chief Medical Officer

- Surgical oncologist & researcher



Kulbir Singh, PhD
Head of R&D

- Co-Developer of CTAB-free gold nanorods



Darren Rowles, MBA
Head of Diagnostics

- 17 years' experience with nanoparticle diagnostics



Robert Randall, CPA
Chief Financial Officer

- Extensive public company experience

Advisors



Dr. Catherine J. Murphy

- Inventor of gold nanorods



Dr. Gerry Marangoni

- Co-developer of CTAB-free gold nanorods



Dr. Michael Smiley

- Landmark CheckMate067 melanoma clinical trial co-author



Dr. Jonathan Trites

- Associate Professor and Head & Neck oncology surgeon

Capitalization Table

As of May 13, 2026

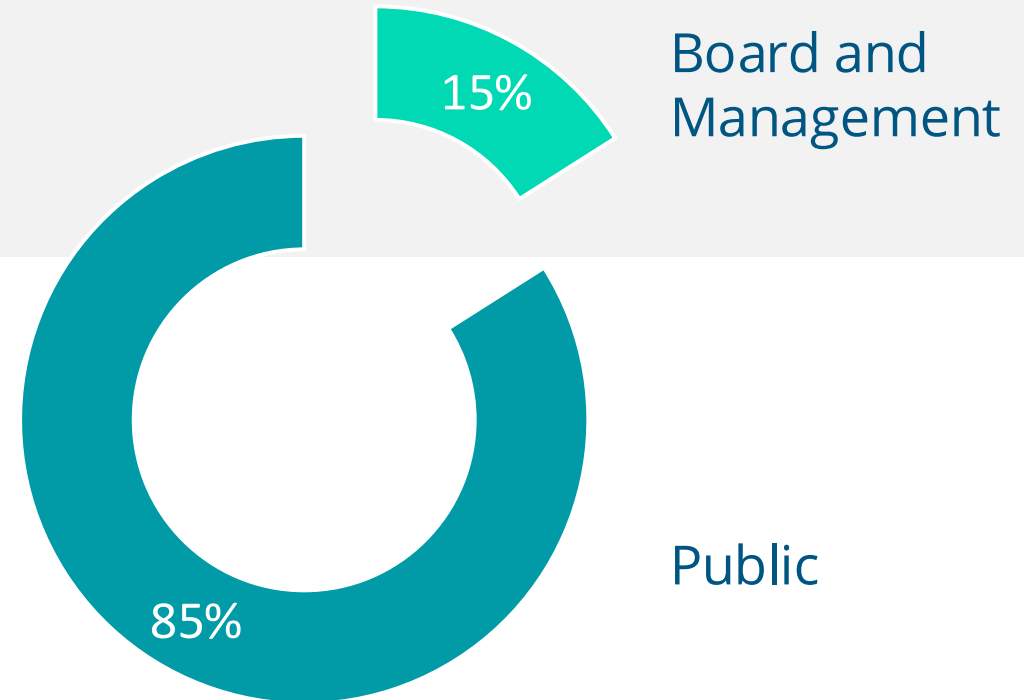
Market Capitalization

Share Price	C\$0.29
Market Cap.	C\$33M

Capital Structure

Issued & Outstanding	114.4M
Options	7.0M
Warrants	722k

Ownership





Thank you

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