

**Precision Oncology Company  
Targeting Virus-Associated Cancers**



February 2021 Corporate Presentation

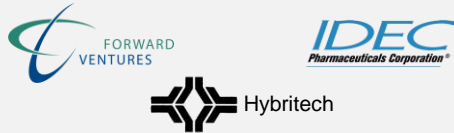
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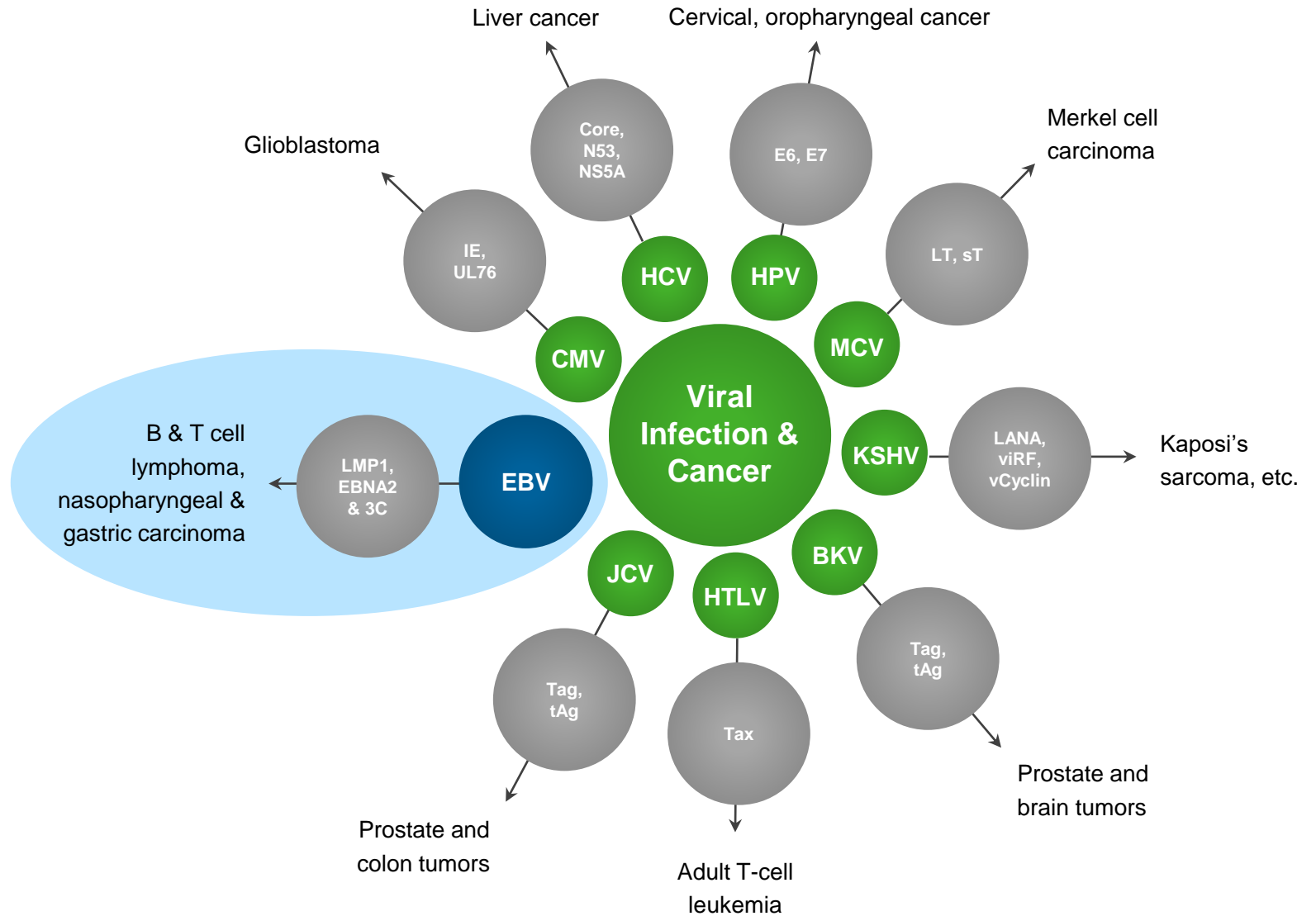
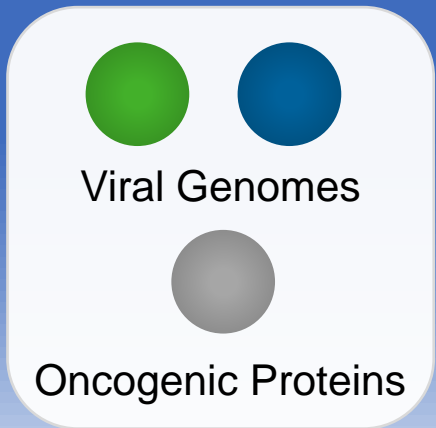


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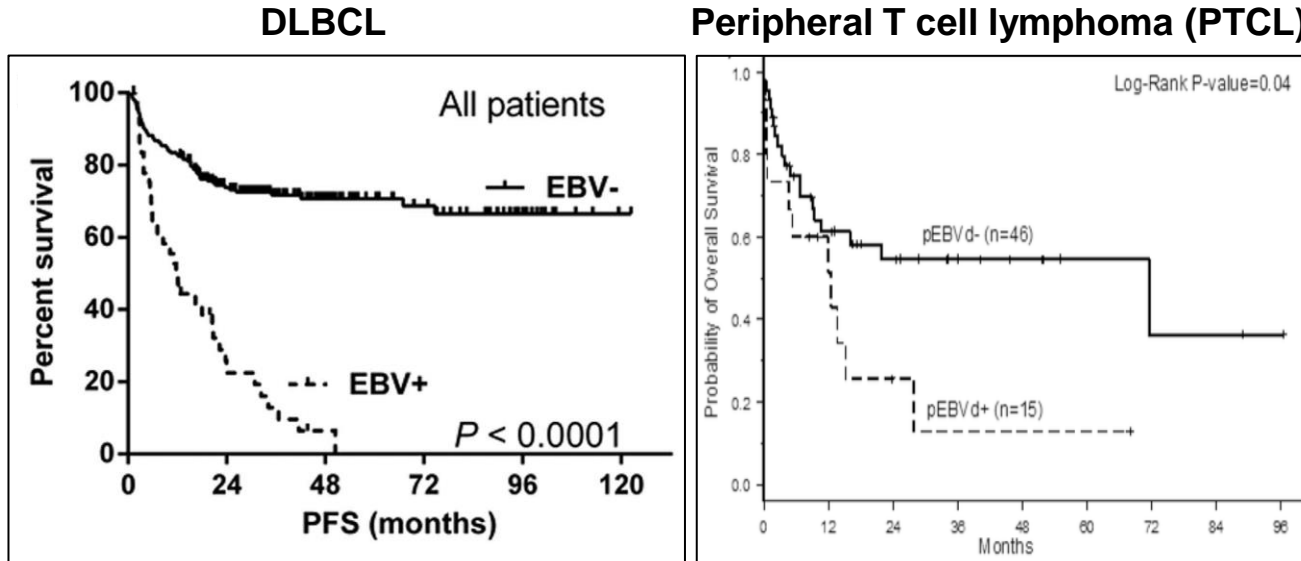


# 15-20% of Cancers Worldwide Contain Latent Viral Genomes

## Introduction to Viral Infections and Cancer

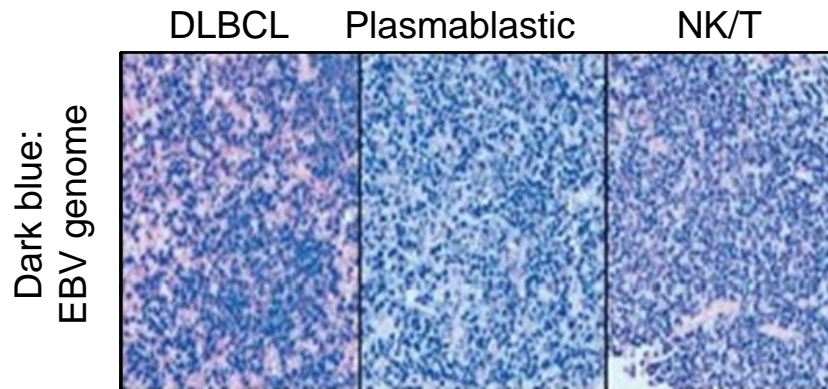


# EBV: Prognostic Significance and Detection



**EBV positivity correlates with shortened survival in DLBCL, PTCL and HL:**

- Standard of care can extend survival in EBV-negative lymphomas, but is not as effective in those that are EBV+



**EBV encoded RNA *in situ* hybridization (EBER-ISH):**

- Validated assay
- Standardized and easy to administer
- Directly detects EBV in cancerous cells

# Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV): A High Global Cancer Priority

Viracta's novel treatment approach selectively targets EBV+ cancers

## EBV: A *Herpes* family virus affecting a majority of the population

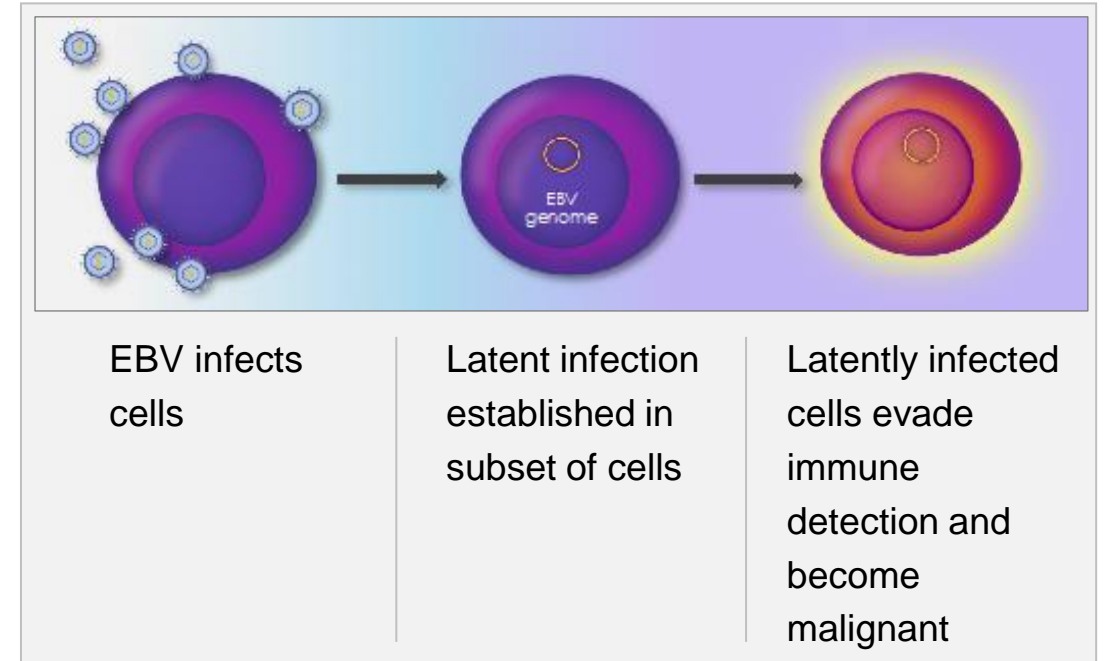
- Persists as a life-long latent infection, remaining dormant within cell nuclei
- Latency confers resistance to anti-viral therapies and facilitates evasion of immune detection

## EBV is classified as a Group 1 human carcinogen

- Etiologically linked to a variety of human cancers, representing at least 250,000 new cases each year in lymphoma, NPC and GC

## EBV+ cancers represent a pressing unmet need

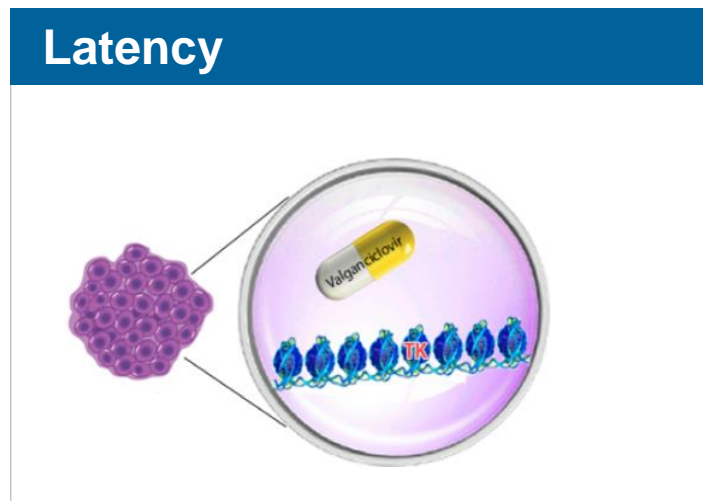
- Poor prognosis with no approved therapies for EBV+ malignancies
- Responsible for ~143,000 cancer deaths each year\*



# Viracta's Synthetic Lethality Approach Selectively Targets EBV+ Cancer Cells

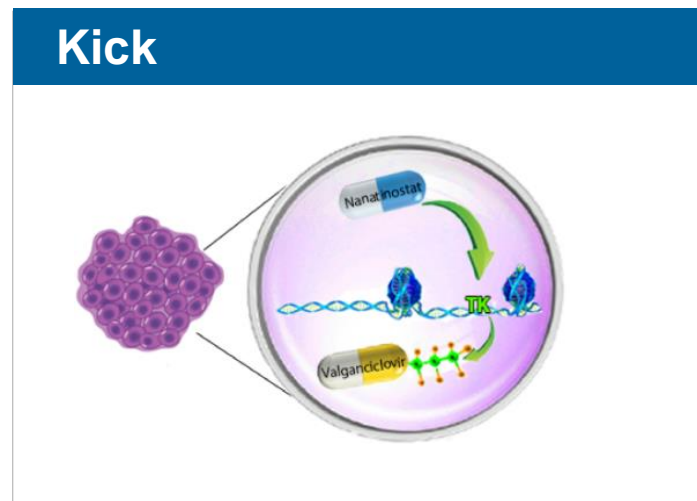
## Latency

EBV is latent in cancer cells and viral kinase genes are silenced epigenetically. **Valganciclovir (VGCV)**, an antiviral prodrug of GCV, is inactive in the absence of the expression of viral protein kinase



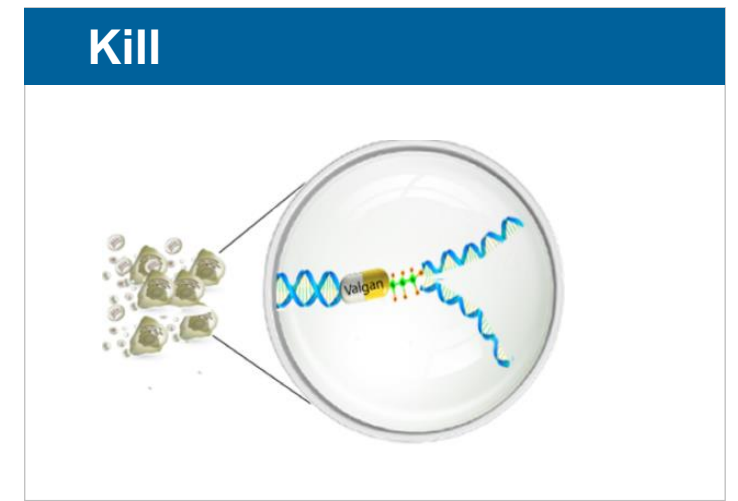
## Induction of Viral Genes

**Nanatinostat (Nstat)** induces expression of EBV kinase genes which can activate GCV



## Lethality

Activated GCV induces apoptosis in EBV+ cancer cells



Today, it is understood that **synthetic lethality** can refer to cases in which the combination of a genetic mutation or epigenetic alteration or inhibition of a gene and the action of a chemical compound causes lethality.

# Viracta: Well-positioned to advance its novel oral therapy for EBV+ tumors

- **EBV+ cancers:** Orphan diseases with high unmet medical need, poor prognosis and no approved therapies
- **Viracta's approach:** Novel biomarker-directed therapy with oral delivery - targets EBV+ tumor cells by “Synthetic Lethality”
- **Lead program:** Relapsed or refractory (R/R) EBV+ lymphoma
  - Compelling Phase 1b/2 data presented at ASH Meeting in December 2020
  - Fast Track designation and multiple Orphan Drug Designations granted for EBV+ lymphoma program
  - Recent End of Phase 2 FDA Meeting in November 2020; alignment with FDA on path to registration
  - [Global Registration trial anticipated to start in 1H'2021 designed to support multiple marketing approvals across various subtypes of EBV+ lymphoma](#)
- **Pipeline expansion:** [EBV+ solid tumor Phase 1b/2 trial planned for 2021](#)
- **IP estate:** Issued patents and filed patent applications offering IP protection to 2040+
- **Financial position:** Publicly traded company on Nasdaq: VIRX
  - Over \$120M cash as of close of merger with Sunesis in February 2021
  - Projected cash runway into 2024

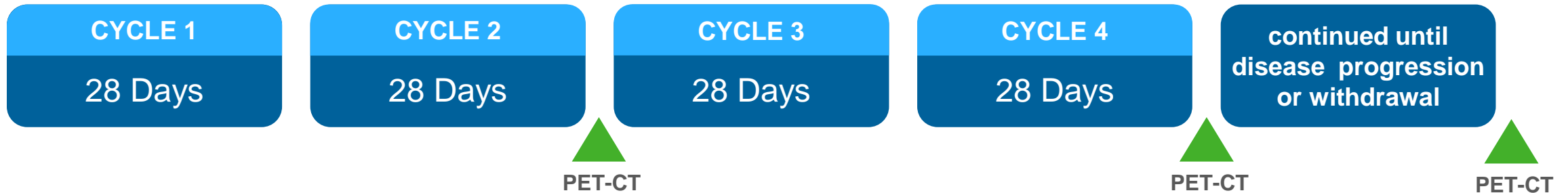




## EBV+ Lymphoma Program

# Design of Phase 1b/2 Trial in R/R EBV+ Lymphoma

- Open-label, dose escalation/expansion study of oral Nstat +VGCV combination in patients with recurrent EBV+ lymphoma
- Dose-ranging Phase 1b (N=25) identified Recommended Phase 2 Dose (RP2D)
  - **RP2D = Nstat 20mg PO days 1-4/wk + VGCV 900mg PO QD**
- Phase 2 expansion cohort (N=30) currently enrolling at 22 sites in the US and Brazil



- **Endpoints:** Response rate (ORR by PET-CT; Lugano 2014), response duration, safety, clinical benefit rate (CBR)
- Other end-points: PK, change in plasma EBV DNA
- **Updated Phase 2 data presented at ASH 2020**

# Promising Activity in Heavily Pre-treated, Refractory EBV+ Lymphomas

- Patients receiving  $\geq 2$  prior therapies: 76%
- Patients refractory to most recent therapy: 80%
- Patients that exhausted all standard therapies: 80%

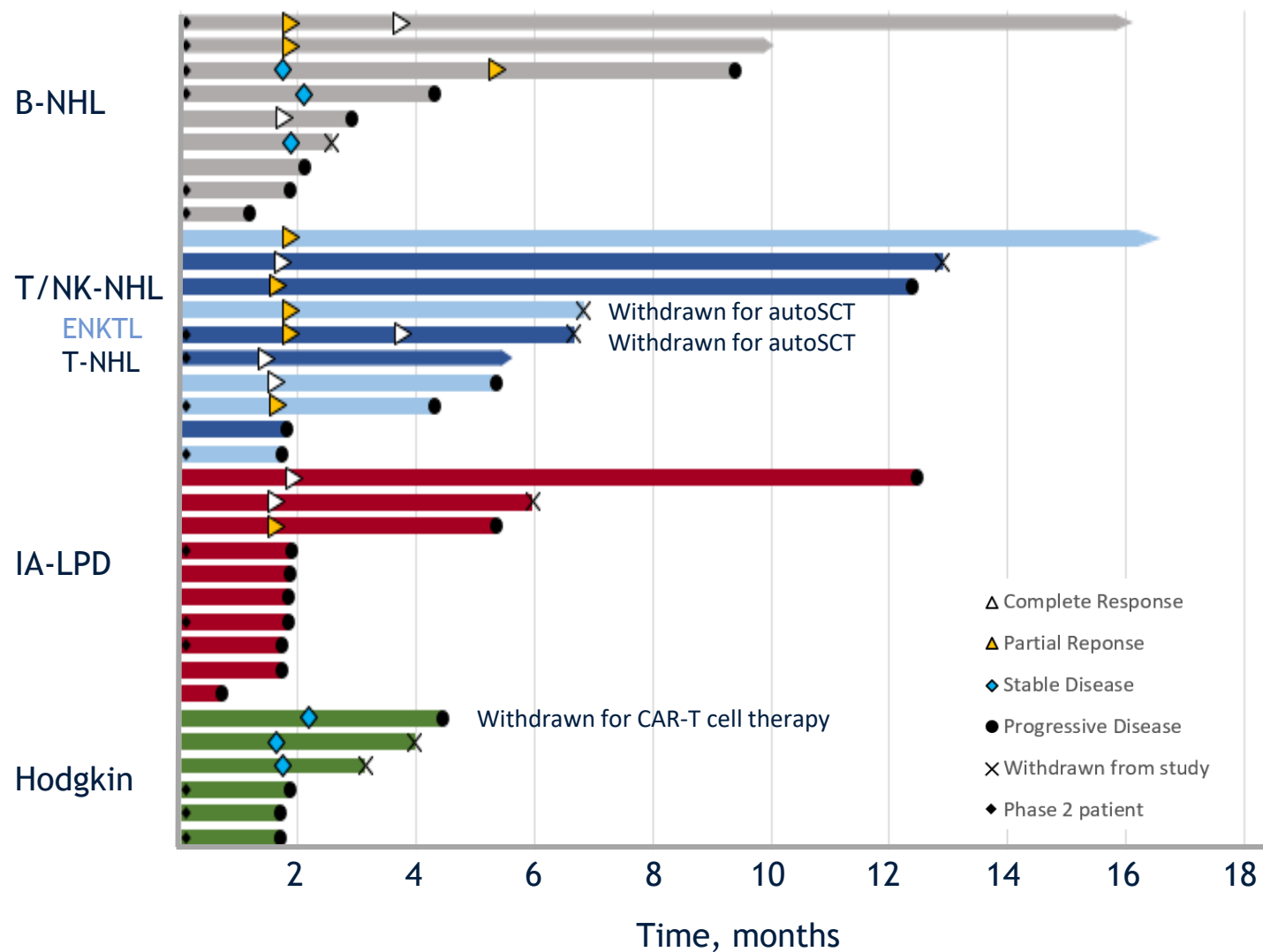
Subtype	Enrolled (n)	Evaluable
<b>B-NHL</b>	<b>10 (22%)</b>	<b>9</b>
DLBCL	7	CR (2), PR (2), SD (2)
Other B Cell	3	PD (3)
<b>T-NHL</b>	<b>15 (33%)</b>	<b>10</b>
eNK/T	6	CR, PR (3), PD
PTCL, NOS	3	CR, PR
AITL	5	CR (2)
CTCL	1	PD
<b>Immunodeficiency-associated</b>	<b>13 (28%)</b>	<b>10</b>
PTLD	4	CR, PD (2)
Other [SLE (2), CVID (1), PI (1)]	4	CR, PR, PD
HIV-associated [plasmablastic (2), DLBCL (2), HL (1)]	5	PD (4)
<b>Hodgkin</b>	<b>8 (17%)</b>	<b>6 - SD (3), PD (3)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>35</b>

**B cell**  
 ORR 4/9 (44%)  
 CR 2/9 (22%)

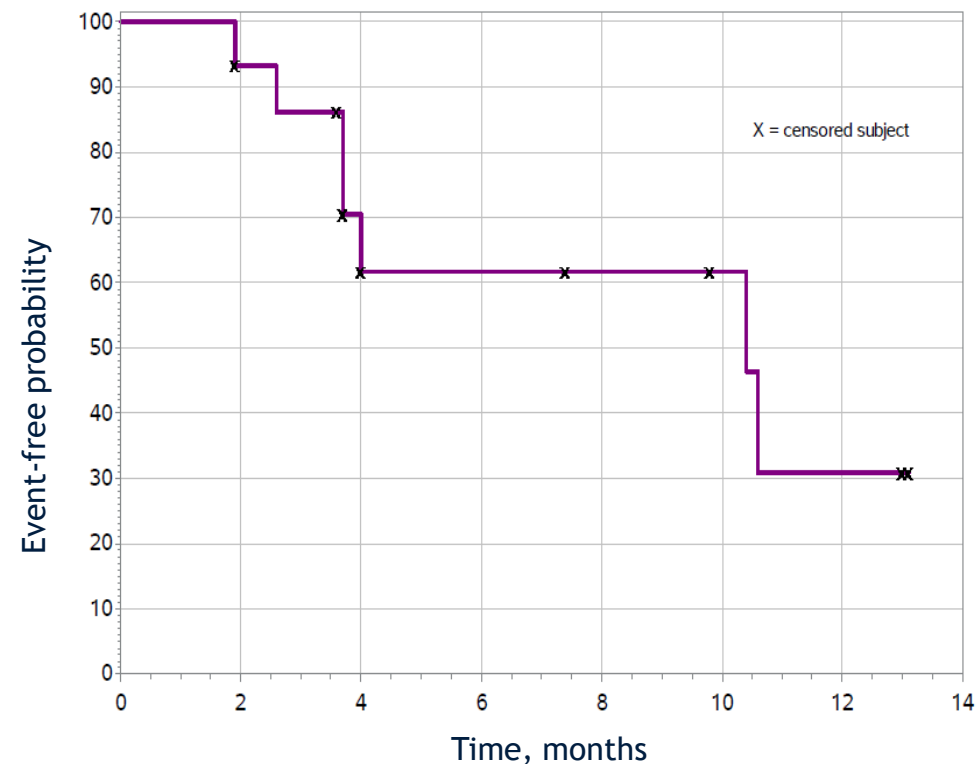
**T cell**  
 ORR 8/10 (80%)  
 CR 4/10 (40%)

**IA-LPD**  
 ORR 3/10 (30%)  
 CR 2/10 (20%)

## Response duration for all evaluable patients (N=35) by lymphoma subtype



## Median duration of response (n=15)



Median duration of response: 10.4 months

## Case Study #1: 37 y.o. female, extranodal NK/T-cell Lymphoma (ENKTL)

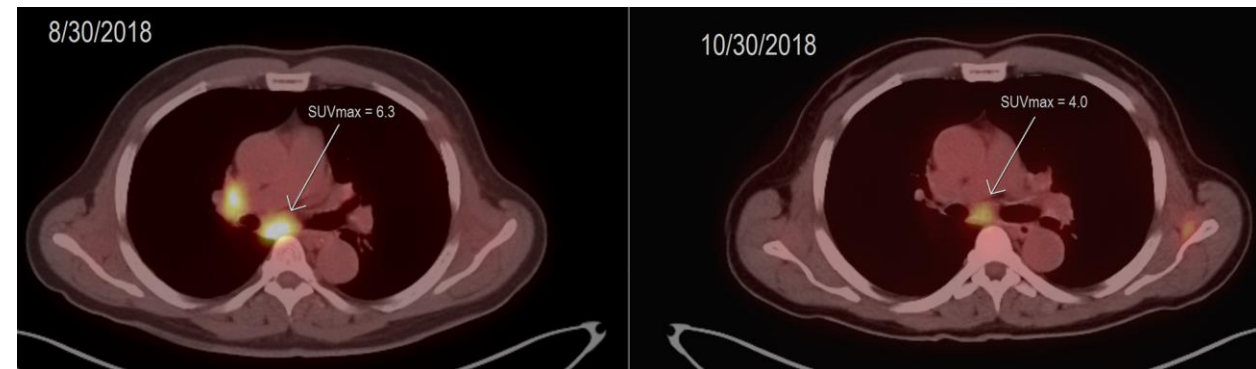
Refractory to 2<sup>nd</sup> Line ASCT; durable response >13 m and counting...

- SMILE (L-asparaginase-containing) plus radiotherapy (1st Line), ASCT (2nd line); refractory to last therapy
- Patient was being considered for palliative care
- Partial remission 1.9 months after start of therapy
- Duration of response currently 13 months and patient continues on treatment
- Relapses post- SMILE regimen have a poor prognosis, with a median overall survival of 4-6 months

## Case Study #2: 58 y.o. male, peripheral T cell lymphoma (PTCL)

Durable PR after prior HDACi therapy and autologous stem cell transplantation (ASCT)

- CHOEP regimen (1<sup>st</sup> line); romidepsin/ASCT (2<sup>nd</sup> line); romidepsin (3<sup>rd</sup> line) with disease progression at 5 months
- Durable PR on oral Nstat + VGCV (10.6 months)



# Phase 2 dose has a promising safety profile

Grade 3/4 AEs in  $\geq 2$  patients

	Phase 1b (n=25)		Phase 2 (n=21)	
	All	G3/4	All	G3/4
Thrombocytopenia	13 (52%)	8 (32%)	5 (24%)	3 (14%)
Nausea	10 (40%)	0	7 (33%)	2 (10%)
Neutropenia	9 (36%)	7 (28%)	6 (29%)	6 (29%)
Anemia	9 (36%)	5 (23%)	5 (24%)	5 (24%)
Lymphopenia	6 (24%)	5 (23%)	4 (19%)	3 (14%)
Leukopenia	5 (20%)	3 (12%)	4 (19%)	2 (10%)
Acute kidney injury	5 (20%)	3 (12%)	1 (5%)	1 (5%)
Febrile neutropenia	2 (8%)	2 (8%)	3 (14%)	3 (14%)
Hypokalemia	2 (8%)	1 (4%)	3 (14%)	1 (5%)
Urinary tract infection	3 (12%)	1 (4%)	2 (10%)	1 (5%)
Hypertension	3 (12%)	2 (8%)	-	-

- Oral regimen was generally well-tolerated
- The most common G3/4 AEs were reversible cytopenias
- Serious adverse events (SAEs) occurring in  $\geq 2$  patients were febrile neutropenia and pneumonia (both n=2)
- No study drug related deaths occurred in the treatment period
- Potential for combining with other chemo-and/or immunotherapies

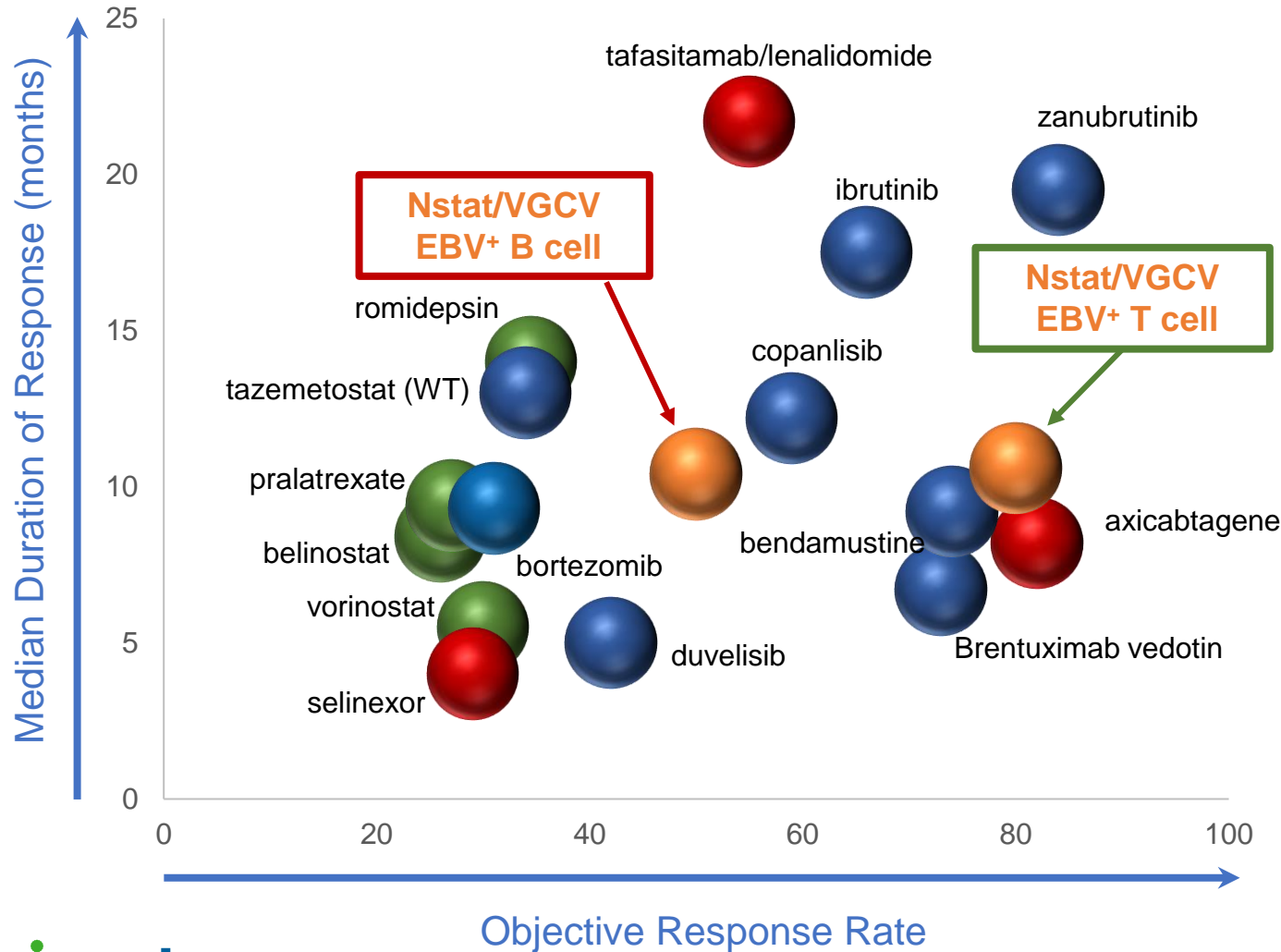
# Summary of Recent End of Phase 2 Meeting with FDA

Meeting held in November 2020 supporting Viracta's path to a marketing approval of its novel oral combination therapy

- FDA reviewers were highly engaged and expressed an interest to work closely with Viracta to increase probability of a successful registrational clinical trial
- FDA indicated that Viracta's proposed single arm, basket study design in patients with relapsed or refractory EBV-positive lymphomas after two or more previous lines of therapy could support a registration, based on the review of the Objective Response Rate (ORR) and the Duration of Response
- Approach was determined to be generally acceptable for obtaining accelerated approval, based on data review.

# Single Arm Accelerated Approvals in R/R Lymphoma

Nanatinostat/Valganciclovir comparison to prior single-arm accelerated approvals



ORR and DoR for Nstat/VGCV in EBV+ lymphoma compare favorably against registration data for other accelerated approvals in various R/R lymphomas

Bubbles represent NDA data sets for single-arm accelerated approvals:

- Green:** T cell lymphomas
- Red:** DLBCL (*Kymriah*® ORR 50%; mDoR NR)
- Blue:** Other lymphomas

**Orange:** Preliminary response data for Nstat/VGCV in T cell and B cell NHL

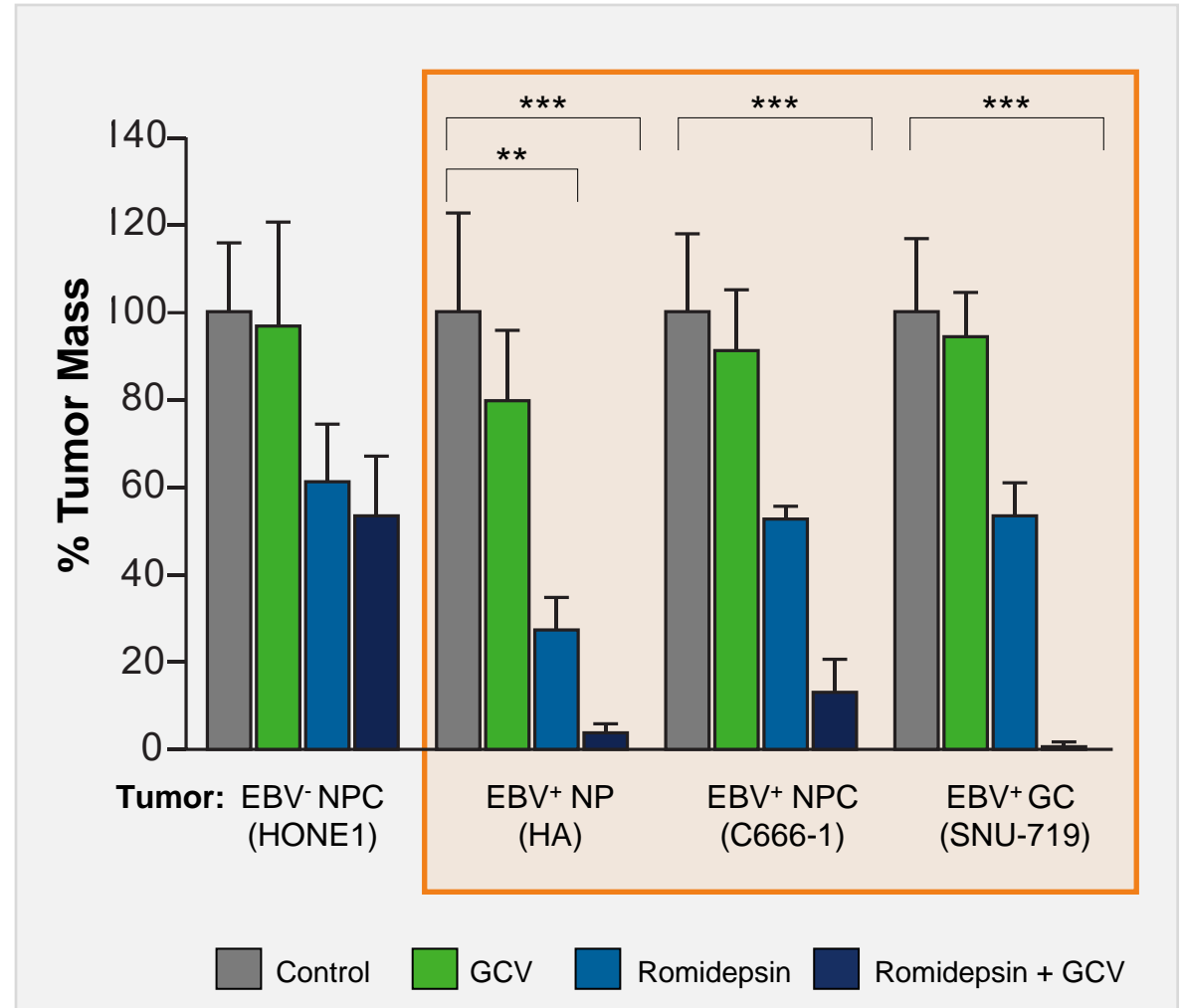




## EBV+ Solid Tumor Program

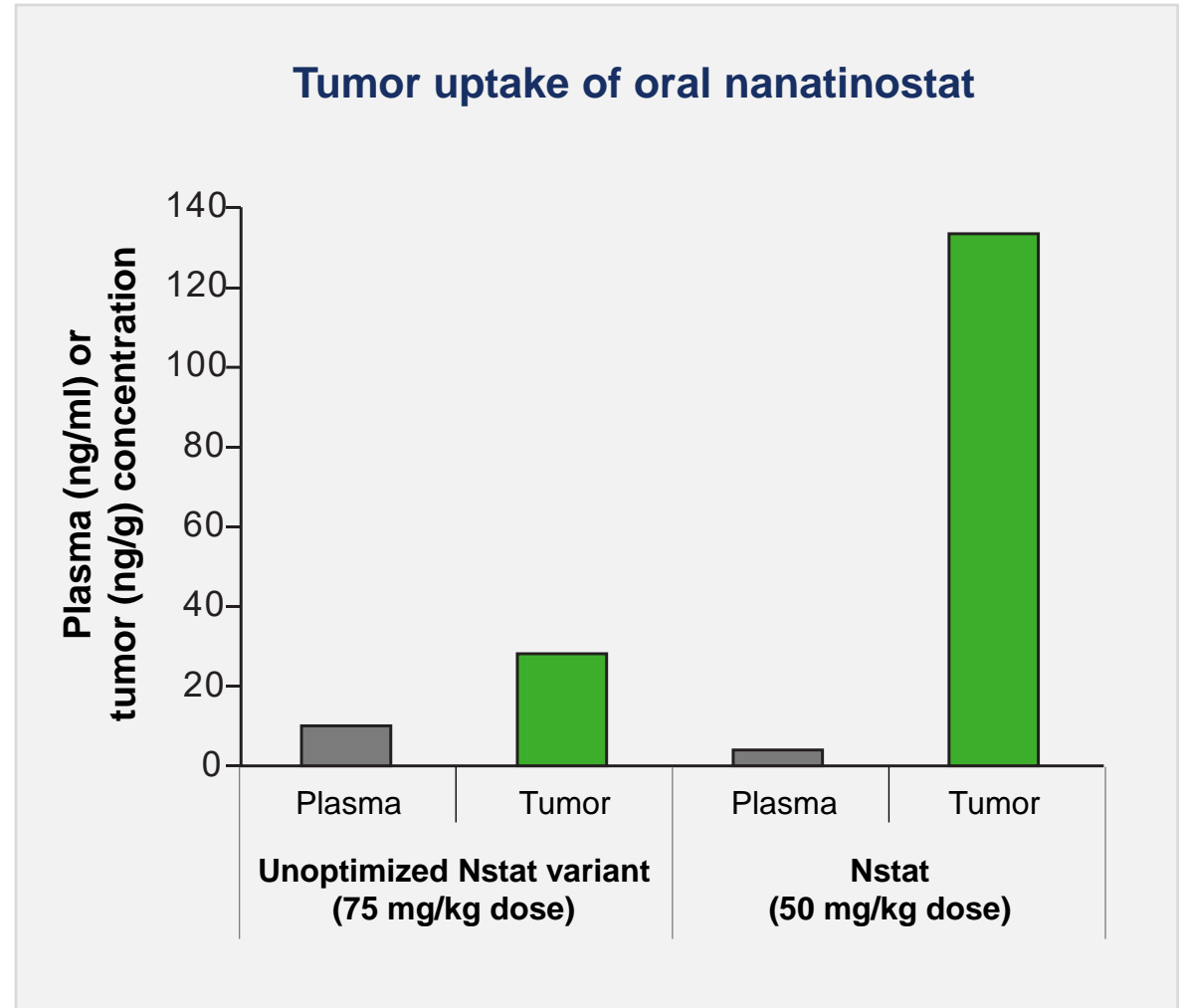
# Preclinical Proof of Concept for Co-administration of Nstat & VGCV in Solid Tumors

- Annual global incidence of NPC & GC: ~190,000
- High unmet need exists, especially for R/R disease
- Efficacy of combination approach was initially reported in murine models of EBV+ NPC and GC using a first generation intravenous (iv) HDACi + iv ganciclovir\*



# Towards a phase 1b/2 study in EBV<sup>+</sup> solid tumors

- High tumor uptake of nanatinostat was shown in murine xenograft models of colorectal cancer
- Viracta's "Synthetic Lethality" advantages:
  - All-Oral combination therapy
  - EBV-targeting
  - Favorable safety profile in combination with VGCV
- Phase 1b/2 study in EBV<sup>+</sup> solid tumors planned to start in 2021



# Viracta Therapeutics – Sunesis Pharmaceuticals Merger Summary



- Viracta Therapeutics and Sunesis Pharmaceuticals merged in an all-stock transaction on February 24, 2021
- Viracta trading Nasdaq under ticker symbol **VIRX**
- Concurrent with the merger agreement, Viracta closed a \$65 million private placement, led by BVF; funding to occur immediately prior to merger close
- Over \$120M cash as of close of merger
- Projected cash runway into 2024

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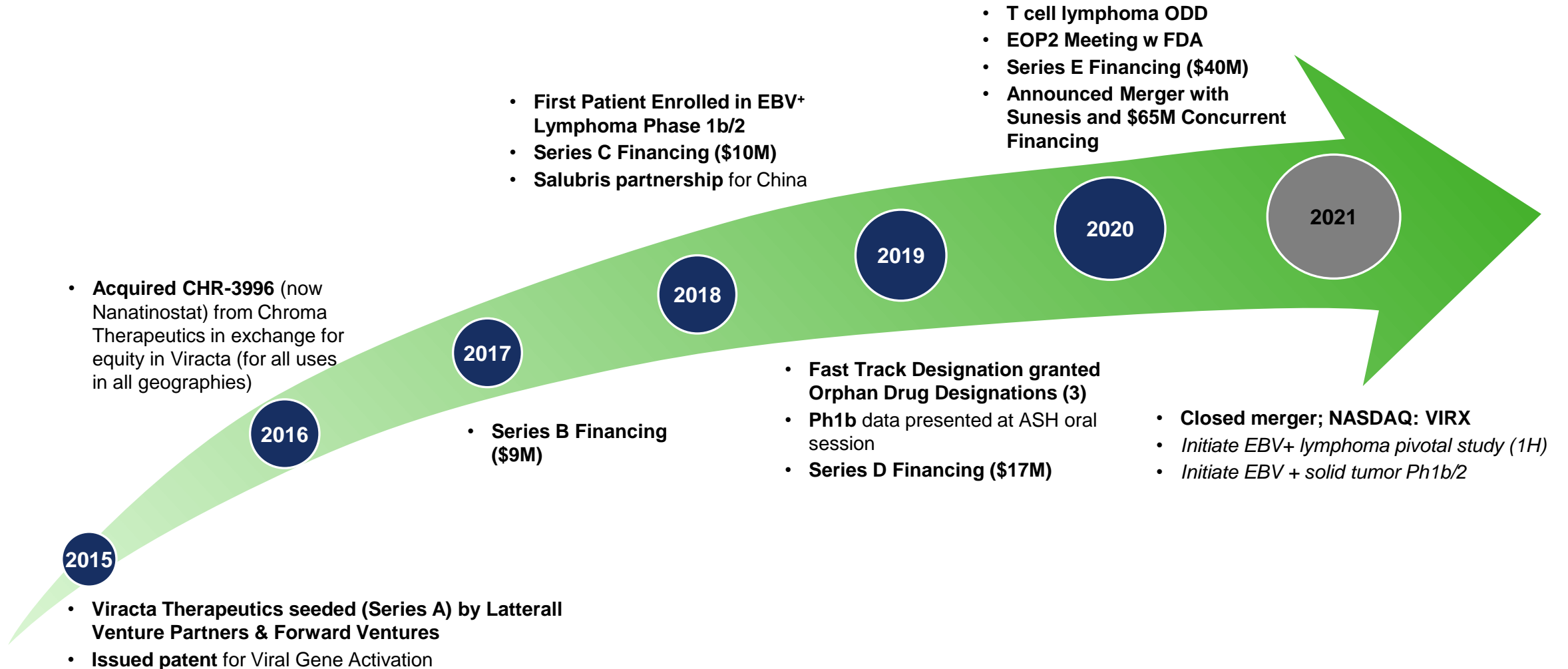
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## Appendix



# Viracta Therapeutics, Inc. - Formation & Financing History



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# Pipeline: Innovative Approaches to Virus-associated Cancers

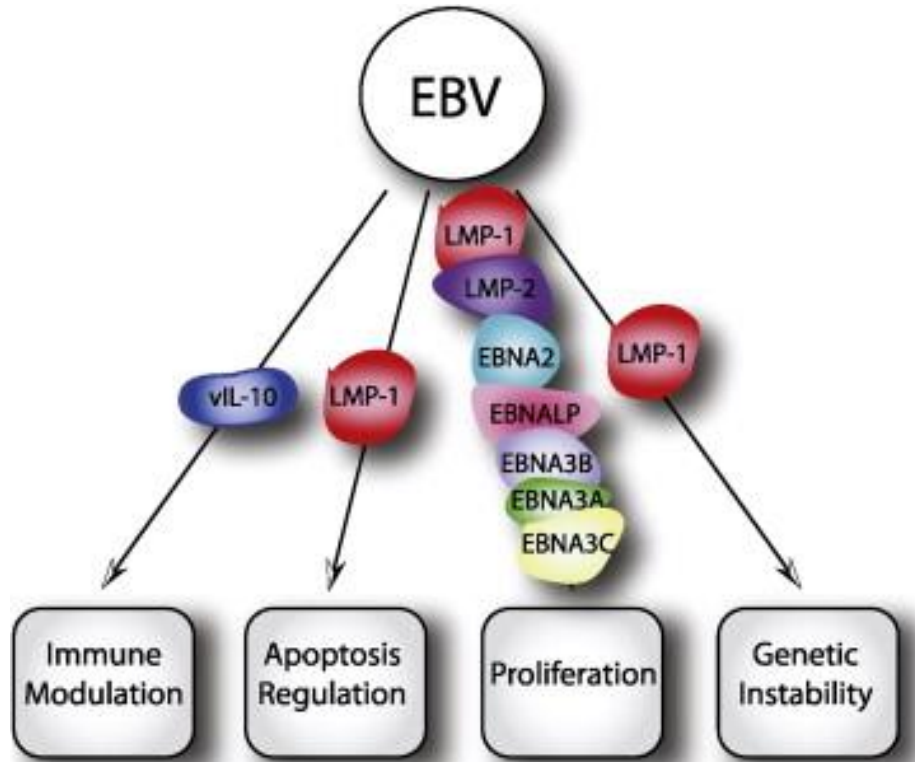
Indication	Preclinical	Early-Stage Clinical	Late-Stage Clinical	Regulatory Submission
<b>Nanatinostat + Valganciclovir</b> EBV+ Lymphoma <i>Fast Track Designation</i>	●	●	● <b>Expected 1H2021</b>	
<b>Nanatinostat + Valganciclovir</b> EBV+ Solid Tumors		● <b>Expected 2021</b>		
<b>Other Virus-associated Malignancies</b>	●			

**Orphan Drug Designations** granted for nanatinostat in combination with valganciclovir for treatment of:

- T-cell lymphoma
- Post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorder (PTLD)
- Plasmablastic lymphoma



# EBV - Pleiotropic Roles in Oncogenesis



**LMP-1** Inhibits p53;  
upregulates bcl2  
Upregulates NF-kB

**EBNA2** Upregulates c-myc

**EBNA3** Inhibits RB & p53

BHRF1 is bcl2 homologue → inhibit apoptosis

BCRF1 mimics IL-10 → suppress T cells

Induction of PDL1 → suppress T cells

# Patients with recurrent EBV+ lymphomas need more treatment options

Accelerated approval path available given lack of options for patients

Subtypes	1 <sup>st</sup> Line SoC	2 <sup>nd</sup> Line Options	Limitations of Current Treatment Paradigm
DLBCL	R-CHOP	TL or Salvage ChemoRx + ASCT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outlook for refractory patients is bleak</li> <li>• CAR-T for 3<sup>rd</sup> line</li> </ul>
Peripheral T-cell Lymphoma/AITL	CHO(E)P or BV+CHP for CD30 <sup>+</sup>	HDACi, BV, or Salvage ChemoRx	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High unmet need with lack of standard of care in R/R disease</li> <li>• Clinical trial preferred for 1L and R/R disease (less responsive to CHOP)</li> </ul>
Extranodal NK/T cell Lymphoma	L-asparaginase-based (SMILE)+/- radiotherapy	Salvage ChemoRx+ ASCT, anti-PD1, Trial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dismal prognosis if R/R to L-asparaginase-based Rx (mOS ~5 mos)</li> <li>• Clinical trial preferred for R/R disease</li> </ul>
Post-transplant Lymphoma (PTLD)	↓ Immunosuppression, rituximab, or R-CHOP	Rituximab or R-CHOP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinical trial preferred for R/R disease</li> </ul>
Hodgkin Lymphoma	ABVD	BV +/- anti-PD1 or ASCT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No preferred therapy for R/R HL</li> <li>• Higher treatment-related mortality in older patients</li> <li>• Outcomes are uniformly poor for R/R disease</li> </ul>

**Therapy abbreviations:**

ABVD: adriamycin, bleomycin, vinblastine, dacarbazine  
 ASCT: autologous stem cell transplant  
 BV: brentuximab vedotin  
 CHP: cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, prednisone

R-CHOP: rituximab, cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone  
 CHOEP: CHOP, etoposide  
 SMILE: dexamethasone, methotrexate, ifosfamide, L-asparaginase, etoposide  
 TL: tafasitamab, lenalidomide  
 ChemoRx: chemotherapy