

Developing Novel Treatments for Fibrotic Diseases

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Pliant – Company Highlights





Industry-Leading Fibrosis Platform

- Inhibition of integrin-mediated TGF-β activation resulting in antifibrotic effect and shown to be safe
- Proprietary drug discovery platform In-house compound library of integrin binders



Programs Targeting High Unmet Medical Need with High-Impact, Near-Term Catalysts

- Bexotegrast (PLN-74809) in Phase 2a development in IPF and PSC
 - Well tolerated with clear treatment effect on FVC and lung fibrosis (QLF) in IPF patients
- IND submitted for PLN-101095 potential first-in-class small molecule dual $\alpha_V \beta_8 / \alpha_V \beta_1$ inhibitor addressing ICI resistance



Strong Financial Position

- Over \$625 million raised to date including 2020 IPO (Nasdaq: PLRX) and \$230 million follow on (July 2022)
- \$360 million cash balance as of September 30, 2022 Operations funded to mid-2025



Pliant - Development Pipeline

	Program	Indication	Preclinical	Clinical			Anticipated	Global
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PARTNERED	PLN-1474 Selective inhibitor of α β.	NASH-Associated Liver Fibrosis			Phase 2 Initiation	NOVARTIS
	or a _v p ₁					



Anticipated 2023 Milestones

Bexotegrast INTEGRIS-IPF – 320 mg

- > 1Q 2023: 12 week interim data
- > 2Q 2023: 24+ week final data

Bexotegrast INTEGRIS-PSC - 40, 80, 160 mg

> 3Q 2023: 12 week data

Bexotegrast IPF Phase 2b

Start mid-2023

PLN-101095

2Q 2023: start Phase 1



Bexotegrast Understanding the IPF commercial opportunity



CURRENT COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPE IN IPF

- Two marketed agents Esbriet[®] and Ofev[®] with **>\$3 billion total global revenues** in 2021
- Growing market with positive tailwinds
 - Increasing incidence of IPF with aging population
 - New therapies expanding treatable population



CHANGING TREATMENT LANDSCAPE

- Near-term patent expiry of current treatments
 - Esbriet: First generic sold May 2022
 - Ofev: Loss of US market exclusivity in 2025



SIGNIFICANT NEED FOR NEW THERAPEUTIC OPTIONS

- Esbriet and Ofev display modest slowing of IPF progression
 - No improvement on patient quality of life or survival benefit
 - Significant tolerability issues



Bexotegrast A Potential Preferred Treatment Option



ANTI-FIBROTIC MoA



- Targeted inhibition of fibrotic process— tissue specific inhibition of TGF-β
- Dose-dependent FVC benefit in INTEGRIS-IPF study

MONO & COMBO TREATMENT



- Will be evaluated as backbone therapy to be used as monotherapy, and with current treatments
- Flexibility in optimizing therapy for each patient

ORAL 1X DAILY DOSING



- Improvement over current multi-pill, multiple times a day options
- No added burden of monthly liver function monitoring

SAFETY / TOLERABILITY



- Well tolerated
- 0% GI-related AEs in monotherapy setting



$\alpha_{V}\beta_{6}$ / $\alpha_{V}\beta_{1}$ Integrins Drive Cell-Matrix Interactions in Fibrosis



$\alpha_{\nu}\beta_{6} / \alpha_{\nu}\beta_{1}$ integrins promote fibrosis by TGF- β activation

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FIBROSIS

Bexotegrast Provides Profound Antifibrotic Activity Through Upstream Inhibition of TGF- β Activation





Dual $\alpha_v \beta_6 / \alpha_v \beta_1$ Inhibition Blocks Expression of All Profibrotic Genes in Human IPF Tissue

- Ex-planted lungs from 5 IPF patients
- Sliced and cultured for 7 days



Profibrotic Gene Expression Panel



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Pliant Compounds Have Not Shown Adverse Effects Typical of Systemic Inhibition of TGF-β Pathways¹

By targeting integrins that are upregulated specifically in fibrotic tissues, Pliant's small molecule compounds may avoid toxicities associated with systemic TGF-β blockade¹

Affected organ system	Systemic TGF-β blockade	Observed with Pliant compounds? ¹		
Cardiovascular System	Cardiotoxicity	ΝΟ		
Immune System	Autoimmunity/Inflammation	NO		
GI System	Autoimmunity/Inflammation	NO		
Skin	Keratoacanthomas/SCC	NO		
Hematology	Thrombocytopenia/Anemia	NO		

1 - Based on preclinical GLP tox studies as well as clinical trials to date.



Bexotegrast - Nonclinical Toxicology Studies No concerns for clinical advancement

GLP Study category	Studies completed	Findings with Bexotegrast (PLN-74809)
Repeat Dose Toxicology	 1-Month IND-enabling NHP and mouse 3-Month Sub-chronic NHP and mouse 9-Month Chronic NHP 6-Month Chronic Mouse 	 No findings limiting clinical advancement including No pulmonary infiltrates No bladder cancer NOAEL¹ in sub-chronic and chronic GLP tox studies at the highest dose tested in NHPs
Safety Pharmacology	 Standard cardiac ion channel panel Cardiovascular/respiratory in telemetered NHP 	No findings:No effect on respiratory or cardiovascular parameters
Genetic Toxicology	 Ames In vitro micronucleus In vivo micronucleus 	No genotoxic findings:Ames negativeMicronucleus negative
Reproductive Toxicology	 Mouse Embryofetal Development Rabbit Embryofetal Development Mouse Fertility 	No findings:No embryofetal effectsNo effects on fertility

600+ human subjects dosed to date with no safety concerns at doses up to 640 mg sd / 320 mg md



Dose- and Plasma Concentration-Dependent Target Engagement in IPF Patients (phase 2a PET study)



Dose-Dependent Target Engagement

Plasma Conc-Dependent Target Engagement





INTEGRIS-IPF Study Design and Objectives



PRIMARY AND SECONDARY ENDPOINTS

• Safety, tolerability, PK

EXPLORATORY ENDPOINTS

- Change in Forced Vital Capacity (FVC) over 12 weeks
- High Resolution CT-based Quantitative Lung Fibrosis (QLF) imaging
- Effect on selected fibrogenesis
 biomarkers

Participant Disposition







1 - Withdrawal of consent (n=1); Physician decision (n=1) SoC = Standard of Care

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INTEGRIS-IPF - Executive Data Summary

Bexotegrast well tolerated over 12 weeks of treatment

- Most TEAEs were mild or moderate in severity
- No discontinuations due to adverse events
- No deaths or drug-related SAEs

Bexotegrast treatment resulted in 80% reduction in FVC decline over 12 weeks

- -15.1 mL (pooled active groups) vs -74.1 mL (placebo)
- Effect was evident with and without use of standard-of-care agents
- An actual improvement in FVC (+24.6 mL) was observed in 80 mg dose cohort
- Dose-dependent reduction in proportion of patients with FVCpp decline of ≥10%

Similar treatment effect on exploratory fibrosis endpoints

- Dose-dependent antifibrotic effect seen on QLF Imaging, with no progression in 160 mg group at Week 12
- Bexotegrast decreased serum biomarkers of collagen synthesis (PRO-C3 and PRO-C6) relative to placebo



Change in FVC from Baseline to Week 12 MMRM analysis - ITT population





Change from baseline analyzed using a mixed model for repeated measures with terms for treatment group, SOC (Y/N), visit, baseline value, and treatment-by-visit interaction. An unstructured covariance (UN) structure was used.

Change in FVC over 12 Weeks in INTEGRIS-IPF MMRM analysis - ITT population





FVC = Forced Vital Capacity MMRM = Mixed Model Repeat Measures

Proportion of Participants with FVCpp Decline ≥ 10% ITT population





FVCpp = Forced vital capacity, percent predicted ¹Ann Am Thorac Soc. 2017 Sep;14(9):1395-1402.

Mean Percent Change in QLF Extent from Baseline to Week 12





Serum Biomarkers of Collagen Synthesis were Reduced in Participants Receiving Bexotegrast (Change from Baseline after 4- and 12-weeks vs Placebo)

PRO-C3

Type III collagen synthesis neoepitope



PRO-C3 and PRO-C6, serum biomarkers of type III and VI collagen synthesis, respectively, have previously been shown to be elevated in patients with IPF and associated with progressive disease (Organ et al Respir Res 2019)



Change from baseline analyzed using a mixed model for repeated measures with terms for treatment group, visit, baseline value, and treatment-by-visit interaction. LS = Least Squares; SE = Standard Error

PRO-C6

Type VI collagen synthesis neoepitope

Incidence of Diarrhea in IPF Randomized Clinical Trials





Bexotegrast Phase 2a 320 mg Dose Global Safety-PK-Exploratory Efficacy Trial in IPF

Enrollment Complete; 12-Week Interim Data Expected in Early First Quarter 2023







Bexotegrast INTEGRIS-PSC – Phase 2a Global Safety-PK-Fibrosis and Cholestasis Biomarker Trial in PSC







PLN-101095

Dual Selective $\alpha_V \beta_8 / \alpha_V \beta_1$ Integrin Inhibitor

Reprograming the Immunosuppressive Tumor Micro-Environment of Solid Tumors

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Potential First-in-Class Small Molecule Dual $\alpha_V \beta_8$ / $\alpha_V \beta_1$ Inhibitor



Substantial opportunity for an oral medicine targeting TGF β activation in ICI resistance via $\alpha_{v}\beta_{s}$



PLN-101095 Potently Increases IFNγ Signature & Reduces TGFβ Gene Signatures





High ITGB8 on Tumor or T cells Has Poor Prognosis

High ITGB8 expression on tumor cells has a worse clinical prognosis

Takasaka N. et al. *JCI Insight 2018;3* doi 10.1172/jci.insight.122591



Lainé A., *Nat Commun* **12**, 6228 (2021) doi: 10.1038/s41467-021-26352-2



Melanoma

Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer







PLN-101095 Inhibited Tumor Growth & Promotes T cell Infiltration in the EMT6 Model



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Single Agent PLN-101095 Promoted T Cell Infiltration



Increased Expression of IFNy-Regulated Genes



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PLN-101095 Plus αPD-1 Demonstrated High Tumor Growth Inhibition in EMT6 Syngeneic Mouse Model



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PLN-101095 Plus αPD-1 Inhibited Pan02 Tumor Growth & Increases **T** cell Infiltration



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PLN-101095 - Key Program Highlights









Highly potent dual inhibitor of $\alpha_V \beta_8 / \alpha_V \beta_1$ inhibitor



Activity in multiple PD-1 resistant tumor models



Greater reduction in TGF- β signaling than either $\alpha_V\beta_8$ or TGF- $\beta_{1,2}$ mAb



Significant reduction in tumor fibrogenesis



First in Human study to start in 2Q 2023



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