

Phase 1/2 study of CLIO-8221, a first-in-class, HER2-targeted, dual-payload exatecan and ATR inhibitor antibody-drug conjugate (ADC) in patients with advanced HER2-expressing solid tumors

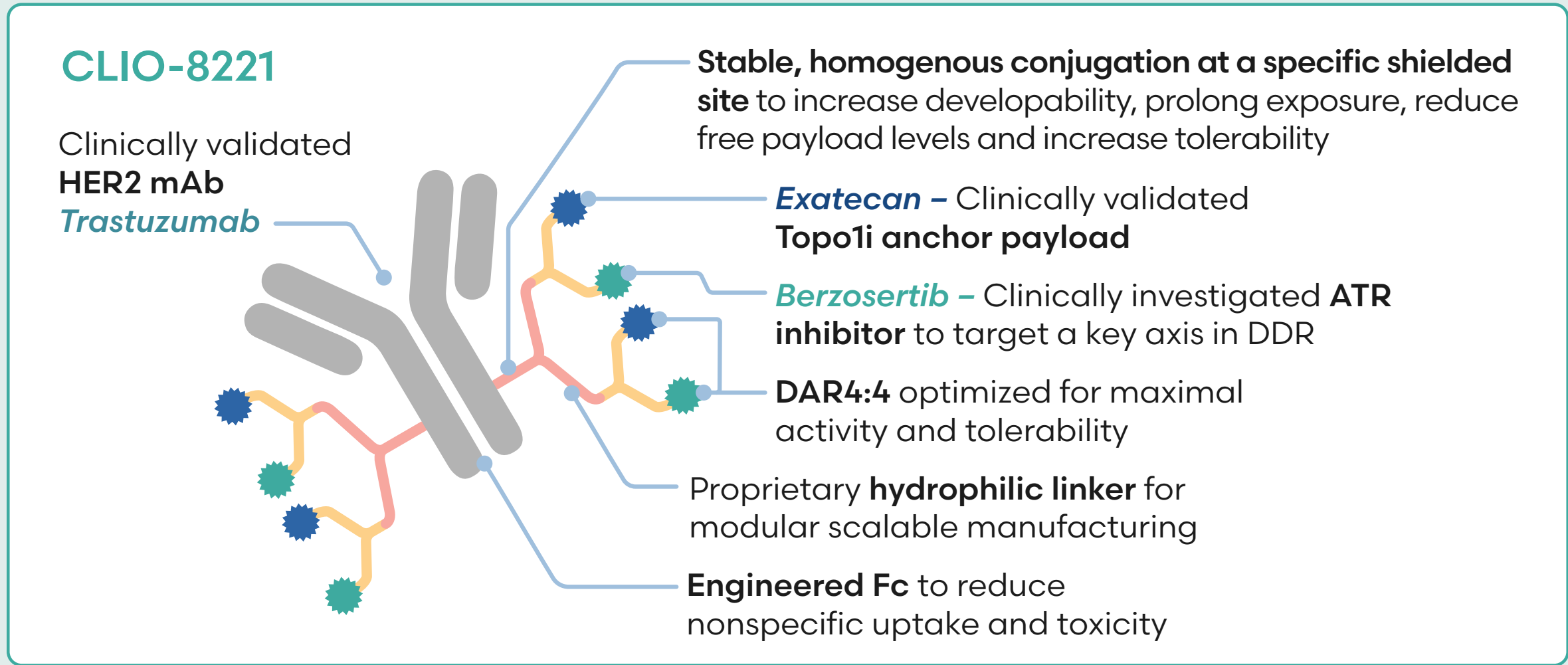
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Background

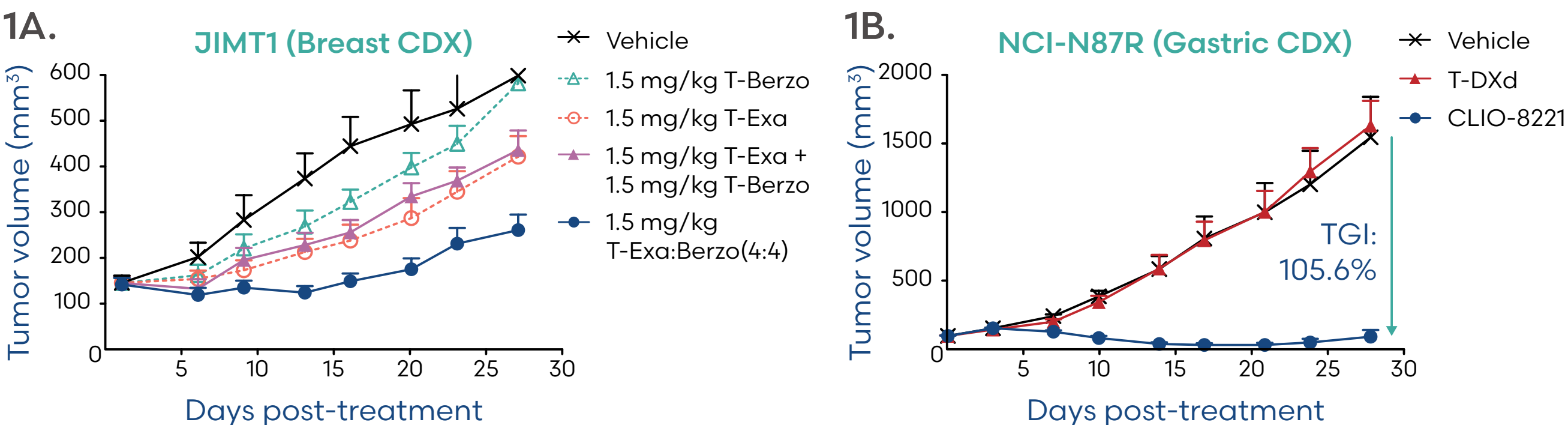
- CLIO-8221 is a novel anti-HER2 dual-payload ADC designed to overcome Topoisomerase 1 inhibitor (Topo1i) resistance by incorporating both the Topo1i exatecan and an inhibitor of ataxia telangiectasia and rad3-related protein (ATRi), a key component of the DNA Damage Response (DDR) pathway, as the payloads
- Trastuzumab deruxtecan (T-DXd) is a standard-of-care treatment for HER2-expressing breast and gastric cancers and has clinical activity in other HER2 IHC 3+ solid tumors. However, most patients develop resistance and disease progression
- Activation of the DDR pathway is a key driver of resistance to Topo1i payloads. Combining Topo1i with DDR inhibition may improve depth and durability of response¹, especially in resistant disease
- In preclinical studies, CLIO-8221 has demonstrated superior activity to T-DXd in HER2-expressing *in vivo* models and was well tolerated with no toxicity findings observed at 70 mg/kg



Preclinical anti-tumor activity of CLIO-8221

CLIO-8221 demonstrates superior activity to single-payload comparators and T-DXd

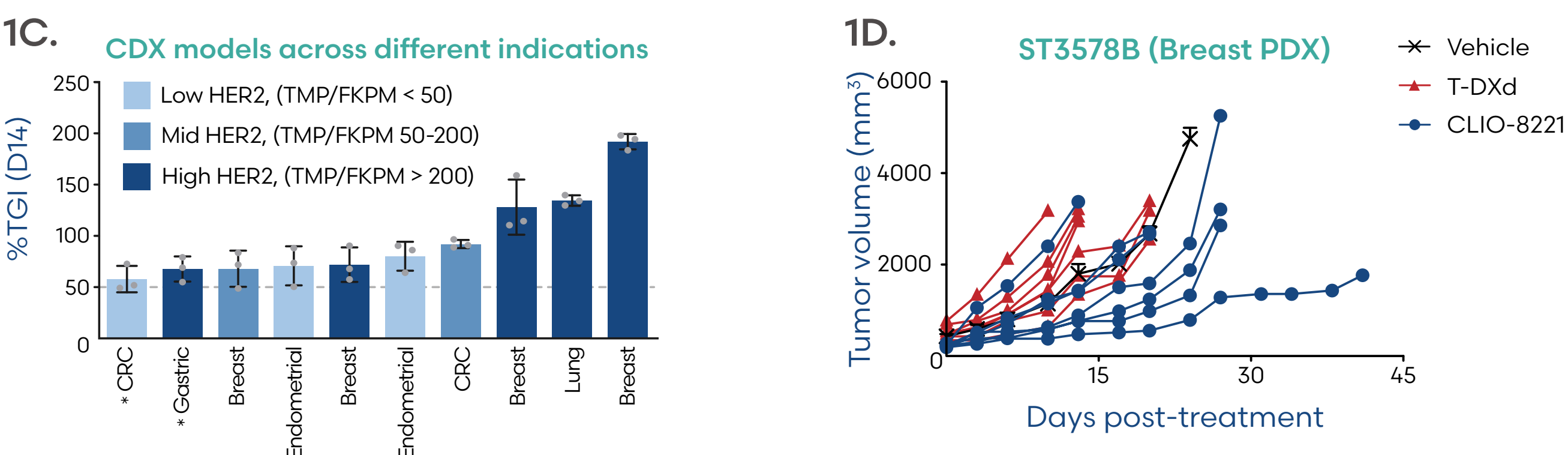
- In preclinical studies, CLIO-8221 binds HER2-expressing tumor cells and is rapidly internalized releasing the dual payloads, driving direct tumor cell killing with a strong bystander effect
- CLIO-8221 shows superior *in vivo* efficacy to single-payload ADCs and shows strong activity in T-DXd-resistant and -refractory xenograft models
- CLIO-8221 drives anti-tumor activity at doses as low as 1.5 mg/kg



1A. CLIO-8221 demonstrates superior activity to single-payload ADCs or a combination of each single-payload control¹

1B. CLIO-8221 shows superior activity vs. T-DXd in models that are insensitive to T-DXd²

CLIO-8221 shows strong anti-tumor activity across indications and HER2 levels and in PDX models



1C. Anti-tumor activity of CLIO-8221 denoted by %TGI at 2 weeks post-dose across CDX models denoted by tumor indication²; models span a range of HER2 expression and include T-DXd-insensitive tumors (*)

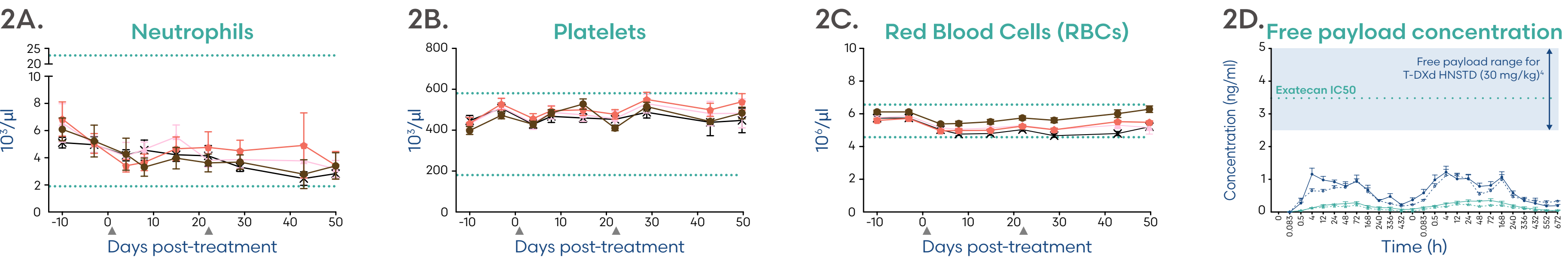
1D. CLIO-8221 shows anti-tumor efficacy in a T-DXd-refractory breast PDX model

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CLIO-8221 is well tolerated in NHP and causes no significant adverse effects at doses of 70 mg/kg (highest dose tested)

- CLIO-8221 was administered IV every three weeks at 30, 50 and 70 mg/kg on Days 1 and 22. Necropsy was performed on Day 29 and Day 50 for recovery animals
- CLIO-8221 Q3wx2 was found to be well tolerated up to 70 mg/kg. No test article related clinical signs were observed. No changes in body weight, serum chemistry, histology (including liver, lung, eyes or bone marrow) were seen; hematology remained within reference ranges
- The No-Observed-Adverse-Effect Level (NOAEL) of CLIO-8221 at 70 mg/kg is significantly higher than the NOAEL of ~3-10 mg/kg and the highest non-severely toxic dose (HNSTD) of 30 mg/kg seen for T-DXd³



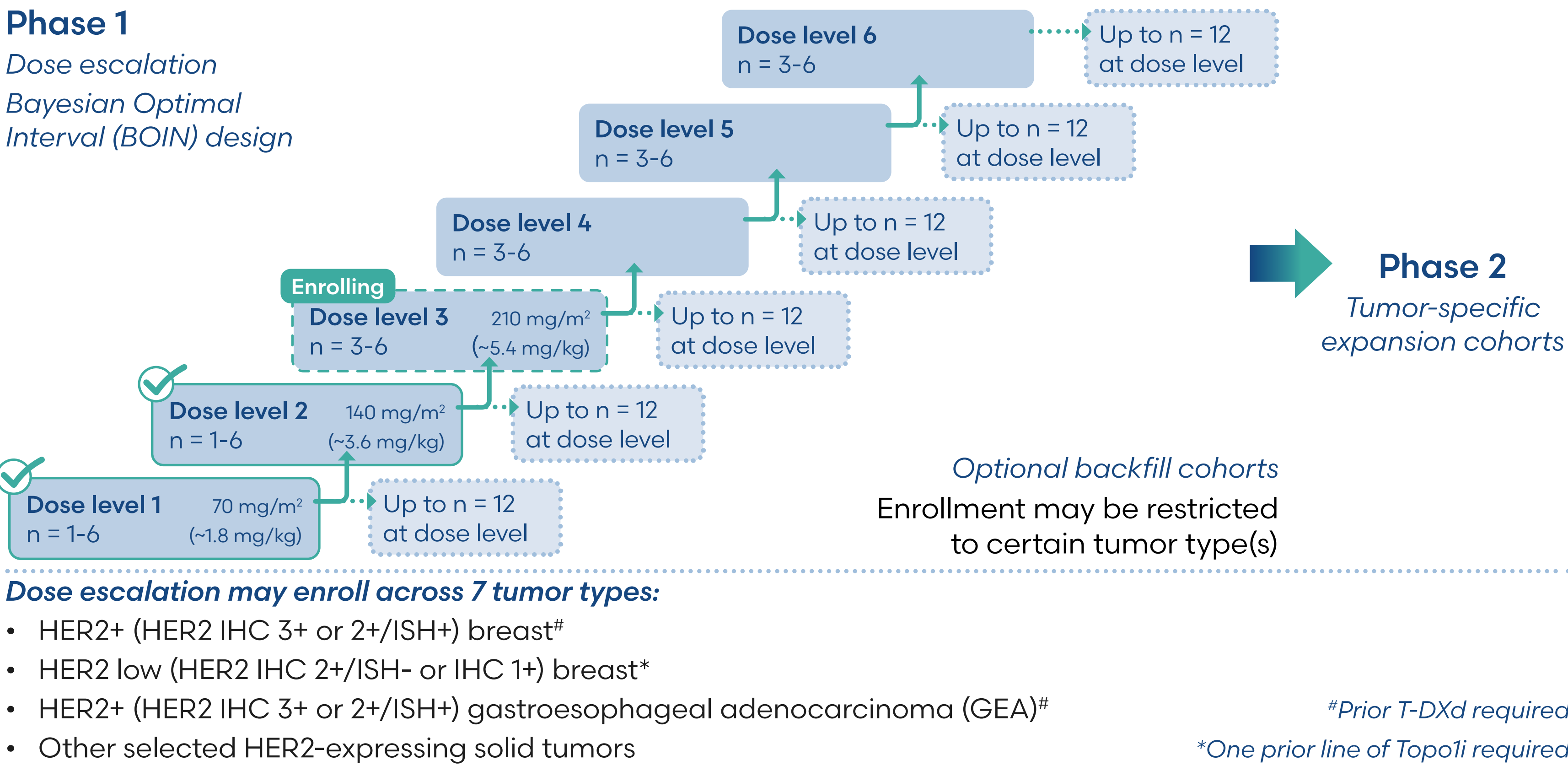
✱ Vehicle ✱ 30 mg/kg CLIO-8221 ✱ 50 mg/kg CLIO-8221 ✱ 70 mg/kg CLIO-8221 ▲ ADC dose ● Exatecan ▲ Berzosertib

2A, 2B, 2C. Hematology in NHPs in response to CLIO-8221. Levels of neutrophils², platelets and RBCs were measured in animals over time post first and second dose (grey triangles) and showed no changes outside normal ranges (dotted lines)

2D. Levels of free payloads in the 70 mg/kg group were several fold decreased vs those reported with a 30 mg/kg HNSTD T-DXd dose. Solid lines denote male animals while dashed represent females²

Methods

- CLIO-8221-001 is a Phase 1/2, first in human dose-escalation and -expansion study
- Phase 1 of the study utilizes a BOIN dose-escalation design with optional dose level expansions, while Phase 2 comprises tumor-specific expansion cohorts treated at the doses recommended from Phase 1



Key eligibility criteria

- Adults with metastatic or unresectable HER2-expressing solid tumors, including those who previously received T-DXd
- Measurable disease per RECISTv1.1
- Previous receipt of therapies known to confer clinical benefit unless ineligible, refused by the patient, or not available in the region

Treatment regimen

- CLIO-8221 will initially be given by IV infusion on Day 1 of a 21-day cycle
- Treatment may continue until disease progression, unacceptable toxicity, or other reason for discontinuation

Objectives

Primary objectives

Assess the safety and tolerability of CLIO-8221 and to identify the maximum tolerated dose, if reached, and recommended Phase 2 dose

Secondary and exploratory objectives

Evaluate antitumor activity, PK, immunogenicity, and biomarkers including HER2 status and ctDNA biomarkers

Key Takeaways

- CLIO-8221 is a first-in-class dual-payload ADC designed to resensitize tumors to Topo1 inhibition, with the potential to provide a new treatment option for T-DXd-resistant cancers and additional HER2-expressing solid tumors
- Study recruitment is ongoing in Australia and the United States, with plans to activate sites in China
- ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: [NCT07300943](https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT07300943)