# Characterization of Two Novel Extended Half-life Monoclonal Antibody Drug Candidates **Targeting TL1A for the Treatment of IBD**

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## Background

**Blocking** the interaction of **TL1A** with its cognate receptor **DR3** has been shown to **ameliorate disease** activity in patients with Crohn's disease (CD) and ulcerative colitis (UC).



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# About SPY002-DC1 and SPY002-DC2



Fully human mAbs with novel epitopes targeting TL1A monomers and trimers

Half-life extension through validated Fc modification to enable Q8W-Q12W SC dosing

> IND-enabling tox studies completed with **NOAEL at the** highest dose tested (300 mg/kg)

# Phase 1 expected to start in Q4 2024

#### SPY002-DC1 and SPY002-DC2 bind to novel epitopes, both on a single TL1A subunit



Figure 1: Epitopes for TL1A antibodies were resolved by CryoEM; illustrative locations are overlayed with the crystal structure of trimeric TL1A (PDB: 2000).

#### SPY002 DCs include a YTE modification in the Fc region for extended half-life



*Figure 3:* YTE modification extends half-life by increasing IgG binding affinity to FcRn at low pH, increasing antibody recycling and reducing lysosomal degradation.

- SPY002-DC1 and SPY002-DC2 exhibit high selectivity and affinity for TL1A and potently inhibit downstream cellular signaling.
- SPY002 offers the potential for effective and safe treatment of CD and UC as a monotherapy or combination backbone, with the advantage of infrequent SC maintenance dosing.

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#### **Methods and Results**

SPY002 drug candidates have superior or comparable in vitro potency as first-generation TL1A inhibitors



Figure 2: SPY002-DC1 and -DC2 potently inhibit the induction of apoptosis in human TF-1 cells treated with TL1A and cycloheximide (left). SPY002-DC1 and -DC2 potently inhibit IFNy secretion in human whole blood treated with TL1A IL-12, and IL-18 (right).

#### SPY002 drug candidates both exhibit increased half-life in non-human primates compared to first-generation anti-TL1As





The projected SPY002 human half-life supports **Q8 to Q12W SC maintenance dosing** 



Figure 5: Simulated PK profiles of SPY002 (IV at W0, W4; SC dose at W12 and Q12W) and tulisokibart (IV 1000 mg W0, 500 mg W2, 6, 10; SC 250 mg Q4W). Based on average  $t_{1/2}$  extension of ~3x with YTE and published tulisokibart  $t_{1/2}$  of 19 days. Solid line: simulated median; Shaded area: IQR; Stochastic simulations: n=2,000 virtual subjects

### Conclusions

#### Disclosures

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