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Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of August 2023

Commission File Number: **001-40086**

Portage Biotech Inc.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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British Virgin Islands

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

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c/o Portage Development Services Inc., Ian Walters, 203.221.7378

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F: Form 20-F Form 40-F

Exhibits

The following Exhibit is filed with this report:

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Corporate Presentation

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 14, 2023

Portage Biotech, Inc.

By: /s/ Allan Shaw
Name: Allan Shaw
Title: Chief Financial Officer



Corporate Presentation

Nasdaq: PRTG

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Immuno-Oncology Company with Four First/Best in Class Compounds in the Clinic

Multiple Phase 1b/2 Data Catalysts in 2023 and 2024

Experienced Leadership Team from Bristol Myers Squibb

Cost-Efficient Business Model, Potential Runway to Achieve Multiple Inflection Points

Proven Leadership with Oncology and Financing Expertise



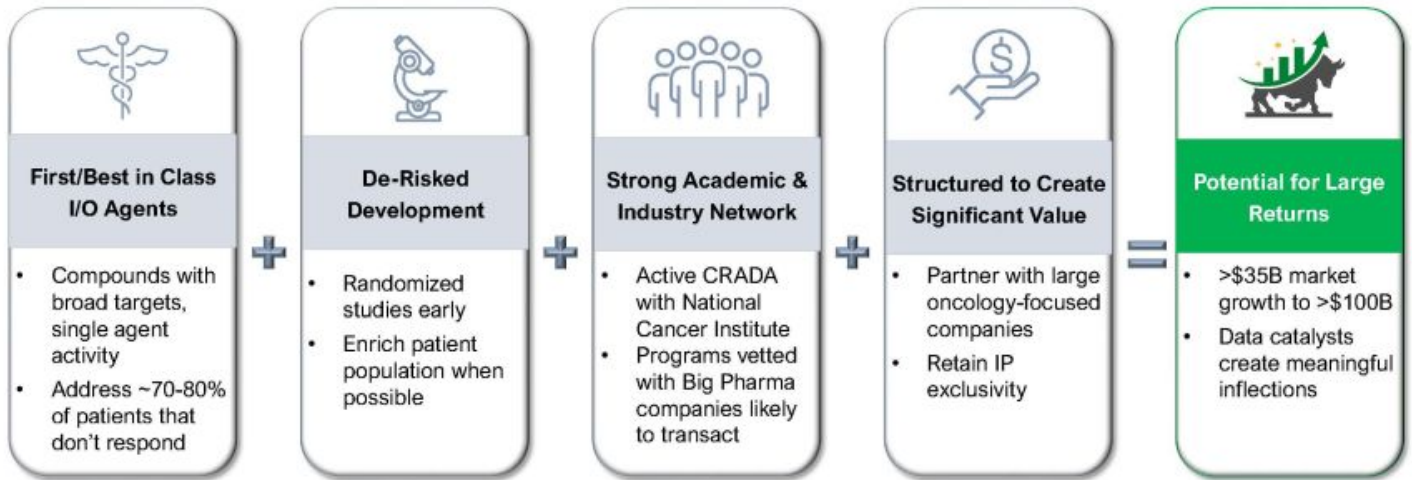
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Over 10 Oncology Approvals, Several Billion \$ Exits

Our Formula for Success



Nine Phase 1b/2 Data Catalysts Anticipated to Drive Value



		ASSET	INDICATION	STAGE	# of PTS	Interim Data	Final Data
iNKT Engager Platform		PORT-2	Melanoma + NSCLC	Phase 1	18	ASCO 2023	Q1 2024
	IST	PORT-3	Solid Tumors	Phase 1	12		
	①	PORT-2	Refractory Melanoma	Phase 2	10	SITC 2024	ASCO 2025
	②	PORT-2+ Keytruda®	Front line PD-L1 + NSCLC	Phase 2	30	SITC 2024	SITC 2025
	③	PORT-2+ Keytruda®	PD-L1 – NSCLC 2 nd /3 rd line	Phase 2	10	SITC 2024	SITC 2025
④	PORT-2+ Keytruda®	PD-L1 + NSCLC 2 nd line	Phase 2	15	ASCO 2025	SITC 2025	

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Adenosine Platform		PORT-6 (A2A)	A2A exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1a	21-27	ASCO-GU 24	SITC 2024
		PORT-7 (A2B)	A2B exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1a	18	ASCO 2024	SITC 2024
	⑤	PORT-6 (A2A)	A2B exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1b	20	SITC 2024	SITC 2025
	⑥	PORT-7 (A2B)	A2A exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1b	20	SITC 2025	ASCO 2026
	⑦	PORT-6 (A2A) + CPI	A2A exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1b	20	SITC 2024	SITC 2025
	⑧	PORT-7 (A2B) + CPI	A2B exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1b	20	SITC 2025	ASCO 2026
	⑨	PORT 6/7 (A2A/2B) +CPI	BM enriched	Phase 1b	20	SITC 2025	ASCO 2026



iNKT Engagers

PORT-2, PORT-3

Activating the innate,
adaptive immune system
and correcting the TME



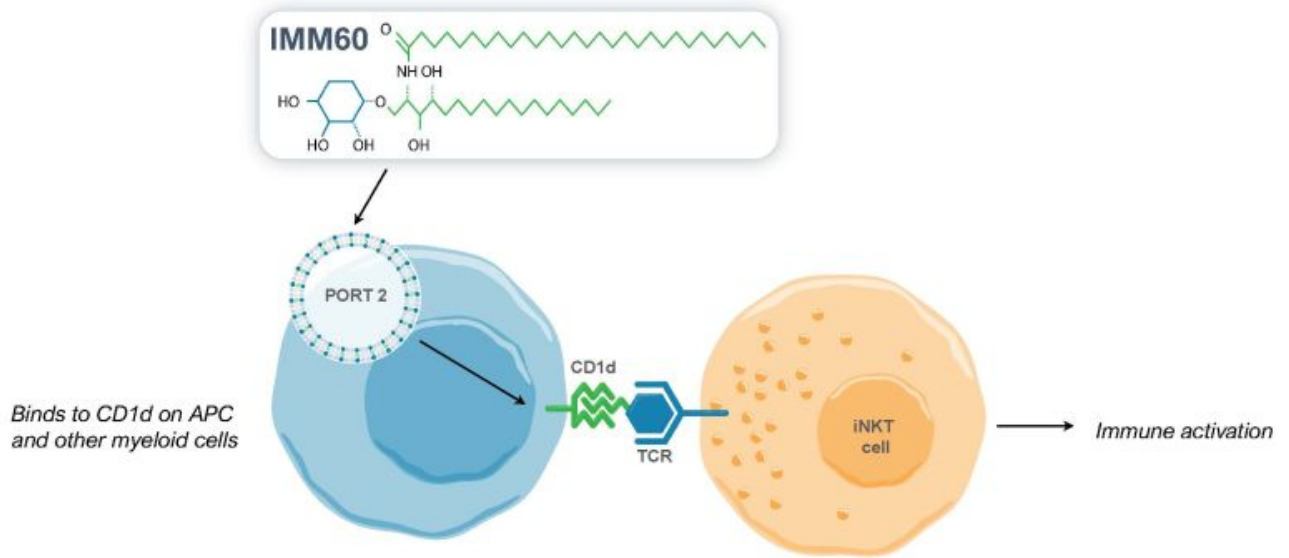
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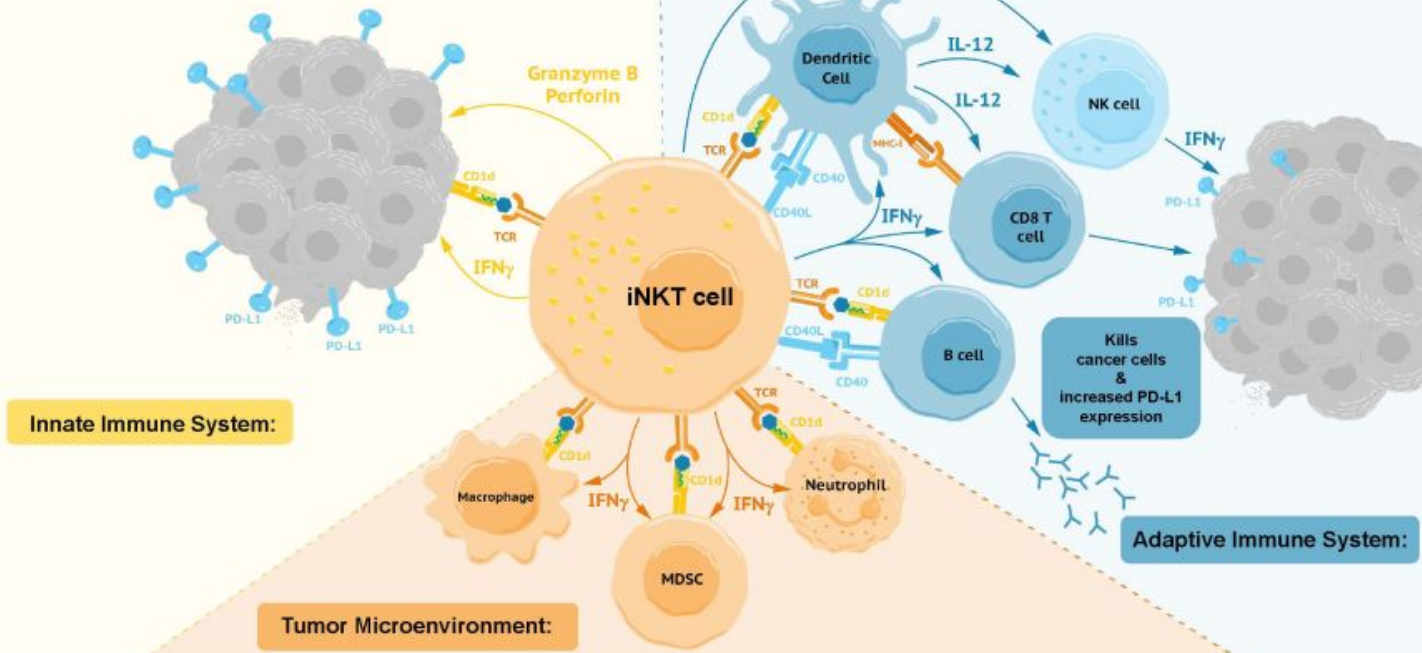


Portage's iNKT Agonist (PORT-2): Rationally Designed Liposomal Formulation of IMM60

iNKT in charged liposome to protect lipid chain, aggregate in tumor, and promote Type 1 cytokine release



PORT-2 Stimulates Multiple Arms of the Immune System to Produce a Robust Anti-Cancer Response



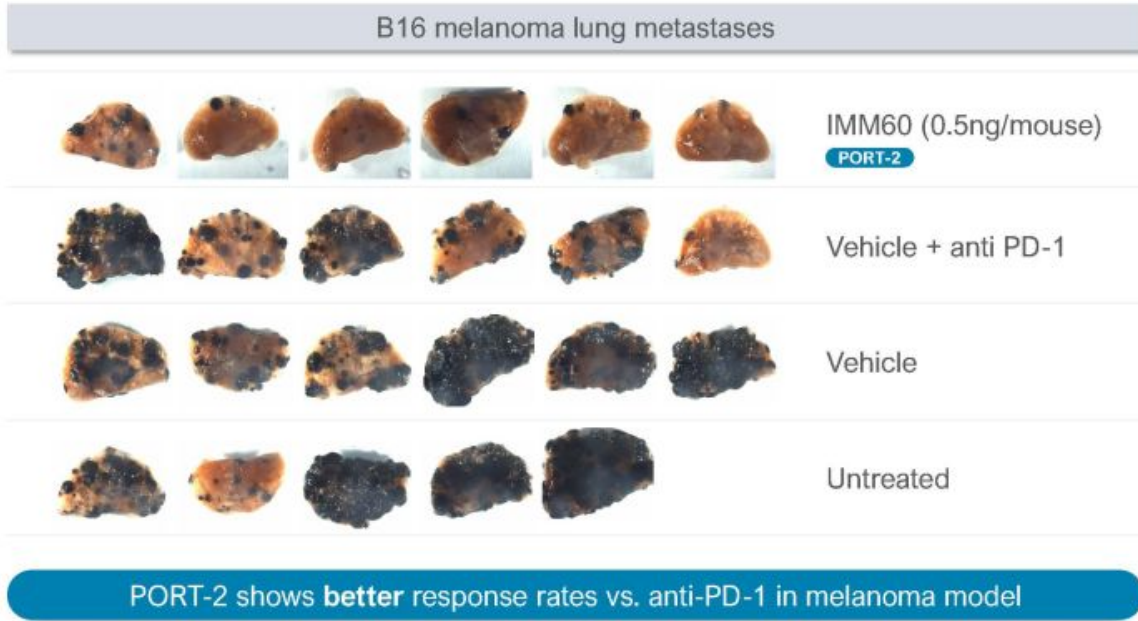


Multiple Cell Types Needed for Anti-Cancer Response

	NK cell	Dendritic cell	B-cell	CD-8 T cell	MDSC & TAM	Antigen	PD-1
Target cells							
Companies in the space	Fcete THERAPEUTICS gamida Cell Kiadis nkarta THERAPEUTICS	Apexigen Celldex RIGONTEC	IMUGENE INmuneBio INNATE IMMUNITY	BITE THE ENGAGER JUNO THERAPEUTICS Kite	Syntrix Pharmaceuticals innate pharma SURFACE ONCOLOGY Forty Seven	celularity BIONTECH gritstone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upregulates PD-L1 Monotherapy activity in PD-1 resistant models Combo restores sensitivity to PD-1 Ab + KEYTRUDA Enhanced activation

PORT-2 compound impacts all these pathways, including changing the tumor directly

PORT-2 Demonstrates Robust Single Agent Activity



¹¹ Jukes et al Eur. J. Immunol. 2016. 00: 1-11

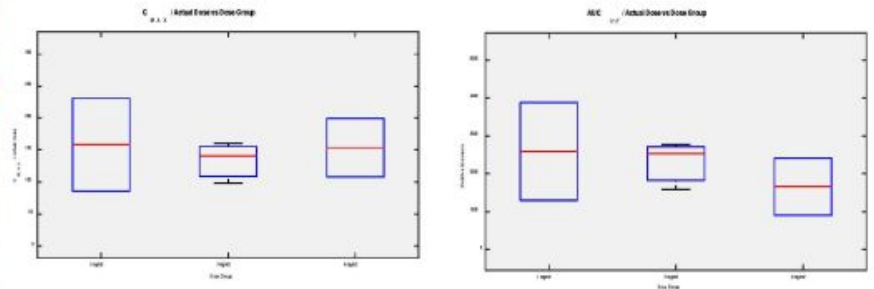


Tumor type (%)	Melanoma: 6 (50) NSCLC 6 (50)
Age (range)	64 (41,79)
Median prior therapies (range)*	4 (2,7)
Prior PD-1* (%)	11 (100)
Performance status (%)	ECOG 0: 8 (67) ECOG 1: 4 (33)

Adverse Event	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3-5
Cough	1 (8%)	0	0
Diarrhea	1 (8%)	0	0
Dizziness	2 (17%)	0	0
Dry mouth	1 (8%)	0	0
Dyspnea	1 (8%)	0	0
Fatigue	1 (8%)	1 (8%)	0
Flu-like symptoms	1 (8%)	0	0
Hair Loss	1 (8%)	0	0
Headache	1 (8%)	0	0
Hypertension	0	1 (17%)	0
Fever	1 (8%)	0	0
Nausea	1 (8%)	0	0
Pruritus	1 (8%)	0	0
AST/ALT elevation	1 (8%)	0	0
Vomiting	1 (8%)	0	0

Exposure

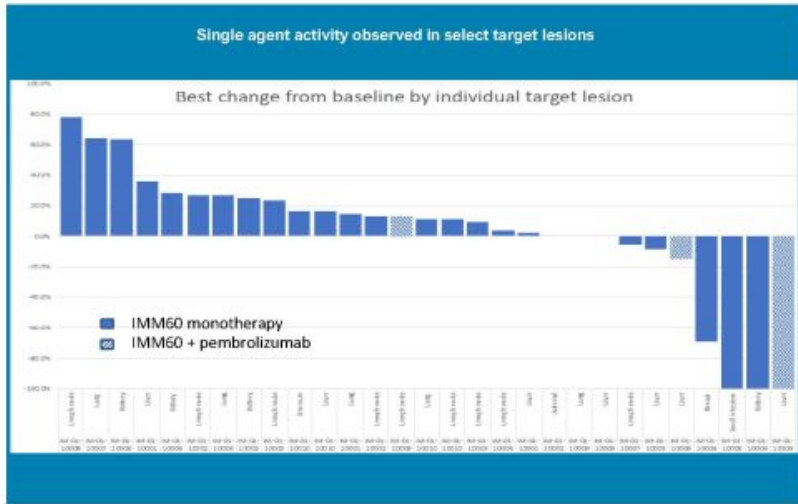
- A total of 49 infusions given to 12 patients at doses up to 9 mg/m², with a median of 5 doses per patient
- Pk shows dose proportionality



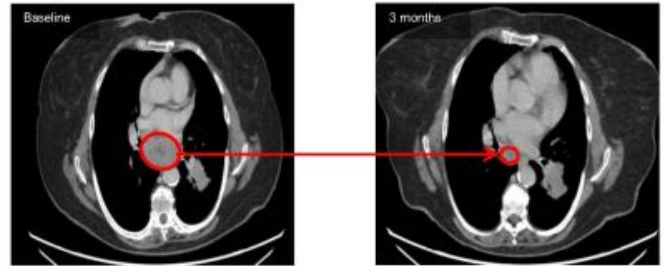
Safety

- No DLT's, related SAEs, or G3-5 related AEs
- Only G1 related AEs have been observed at the highest dose of PORT-2
- One patient treated with PORT-2 + pembrolizumab experienced only low-grade AEs consistent with the safety profile of pembrolizumab

ASCO 2023 - Early Evidence of Single Agent Activity for PORT-2 in Advanced Melanoma & NSCLC (IMP-MEL)



- Example patient treated at 3mg/m² had mixed response (melanoma patient failed anti-PD-1 and targeted therapy)

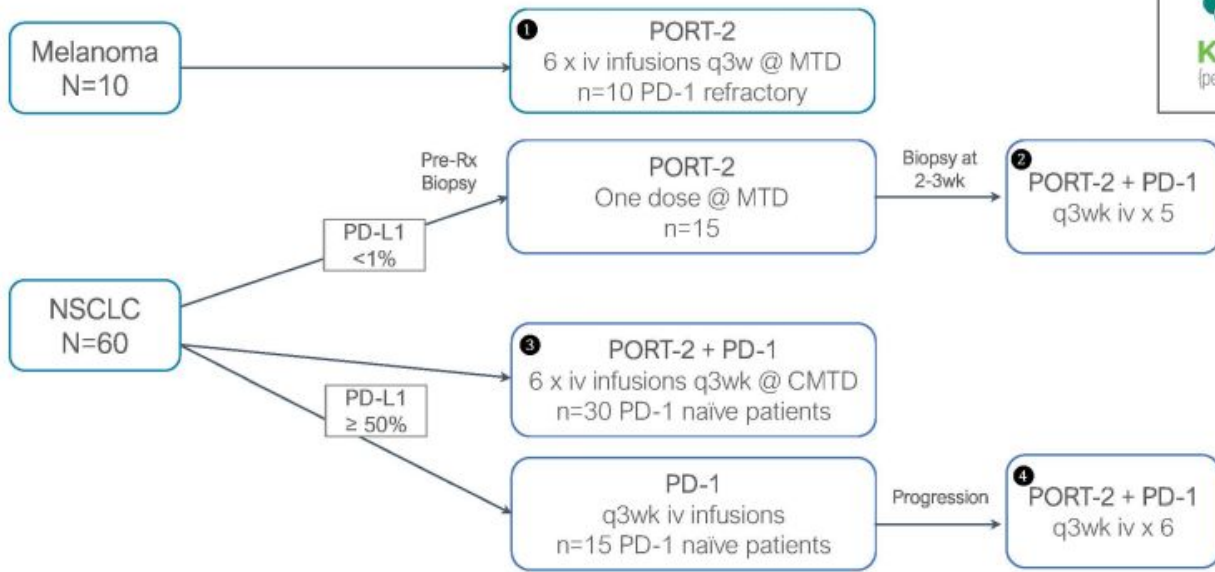


Mediastinal Lesion Decreased from 4cm to 1.9cm

- Serum biomarker analyses provide evidence of iNKT, NK, DC activation, as well as increases in antigen-presenting CD86+ B cells following treatment with PORT-2
- Combination with an anti-PD1 antibody is ongoing, with encouraging preliminary reduction in liver lesions observed

- Based on the favorable safety and tolerability data at all doses tested to date, the Phase 1 portion of this trial is expanding to evaluate higher dose levels; Data anticipated by Q1 2024
- Phase 2 to commence upon completion of Phase 1 dose escalation

IMPORT-201: Phase 2 Evaluates Front Line NSCLC and Refractory Melanoma



Multi-arm study with four parallel development paths = multiple shots on goal

¹⁴ <https://www.isrctn.com/ISRCTN80472712>

Adenosine Portfolio

Validated mechanism impacting multiple immune cells

Opportunity to modulate adenosine in 4 different ways:

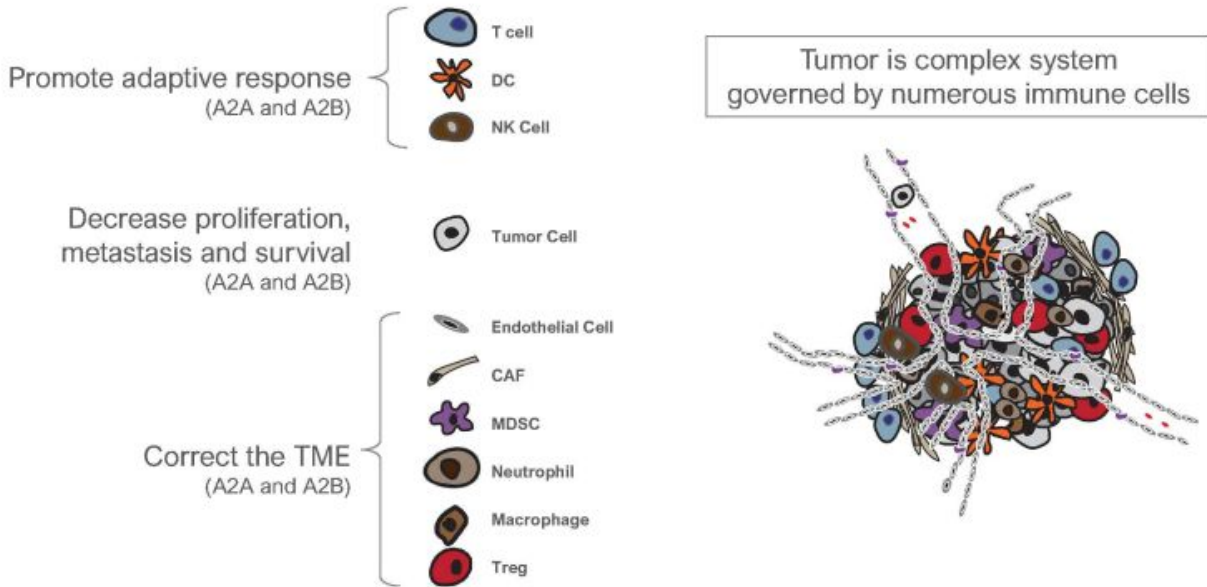
PORT-6 A2AR Inhibitor

PORT-7 A2BR Inhibitor

PORT-8 A2AR/A2BR Dual Inhibitor

PORT-9 Gut-Restricted A2BR Inhibitor

Leveraging A2A and A2B Alone or in Combo Allows for Customization of Treatment

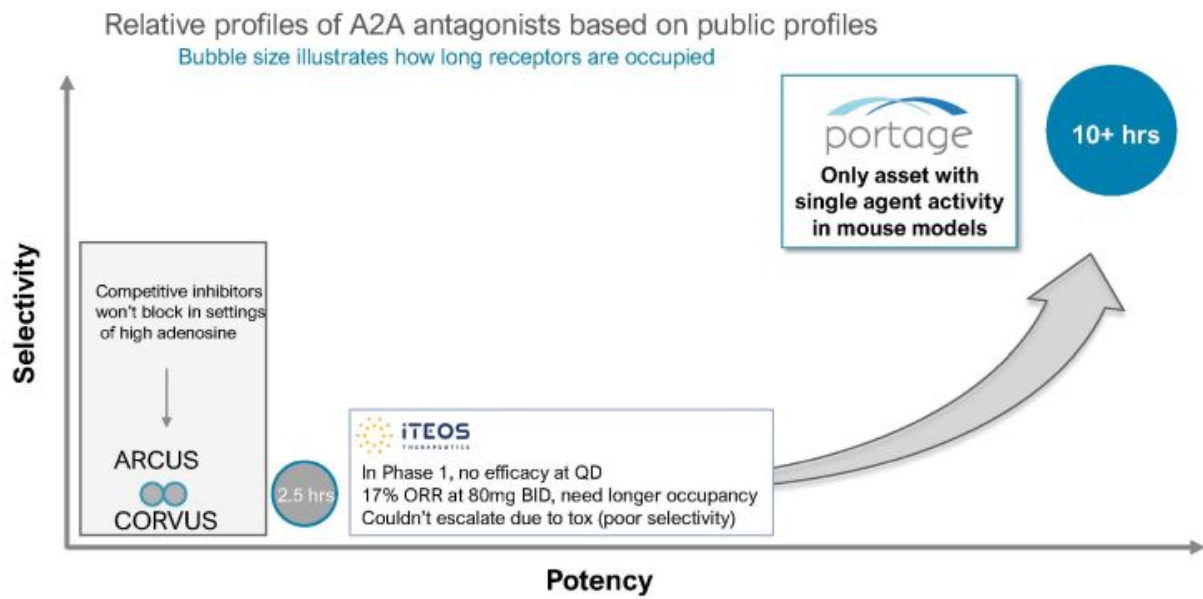


¹⁶ Targeting Adenosine in Cancer Immunotherapy to Enhance T-Cell Function; Virgano, et al; Frontiers in Immunology 2019 modified slightly and used under CC BY 4.0



Difference in A2A Small Molecules

Portage's PORT-6 is best in class for potency, selectivity and durability





Fast Follower with Precedent for Biomarker Selection

Enrich patient population with biomarker/clinical data



Tumors with High Adenosine

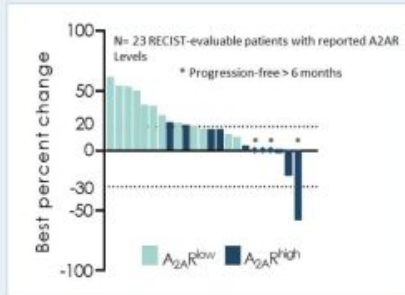
Tumor type	% A2A high*
RCC	50
BC	38
NSCLC	34
Gastric	32
Prostate	26

iTEOS independent monotherapy activity in biomarker defined population

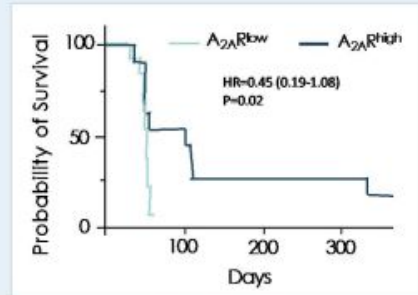
(data from retrospective analysis ASCO 2021)

Positive effect of adenosine antagonist in patients with high adenosine expression demonstrated

Best % Change in Tumor Lesion by High/Low A_{2A}R levels



Survival curve by High/Low A_{2A}R levels



PORT-7: Highly Selective and Potent A2B Adenosine Receptor Antagonist



High potency and selectivity may provide important safety and efficacy advantages

- Activity in 4T1, CT26, and other disease models (asthma, fibrosis, sickle cell)

Functional Receptor Antagonism			Binding Affinity		
Receptor	Ki (nm)	Selectivity	Receptor	Ki (nm)	Selectivity
A2B	9	1	A2B	13	1
A1	>30,000	>3000x	A1	300	23x
A2A	>10,000	>1000x	A2A	1,800	138x
A3	>30,000	>3000x	A3	60,000	>4,000x

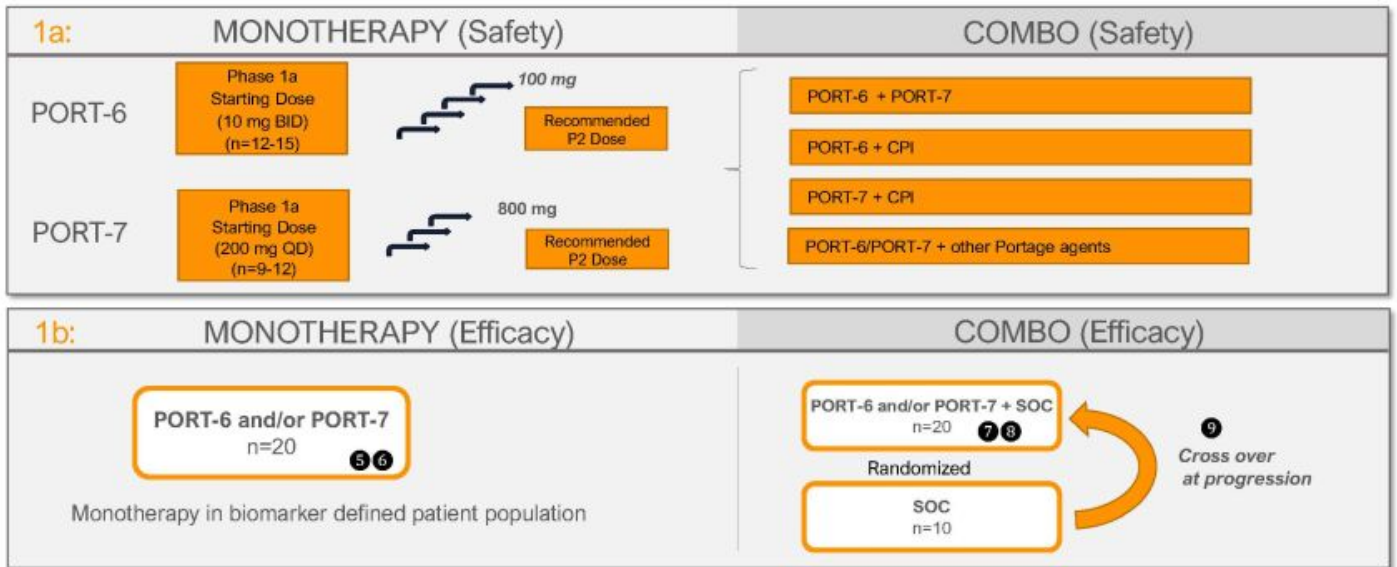
Portage only company developing potent/selective A2B inhibitor



ADPORT-601: Adaptive Phase 1a/1b Study

A2AR (PORT-6) indications: Prostate Cancer, Non-small Cell Lung Cancer, Head & Neck Cancer, Renal Cell Cancer with high A2A expression

A2BR (PORT-7) indications: Colorectal Cancer, Non-small Cell Lung Cancer, Endometrial Cancer, Ovarian Cancer with high A2B expression





Broad and deep intellectual property covering:

**iNKT
Agonists**

- Composition, formulations with antigens, other I/O agents
- Liposomes/particles

**Adenosine
Inhibitors**

- Composition of matter patents
- Use patents filed

**Nanolipogel &
DNA Aptamers**

- Optimized co-delivery platforms
- New IP for aptamers
- Composition patents for products

**VLP Delivery
Platform**

- First-in-class systemic STING agonist

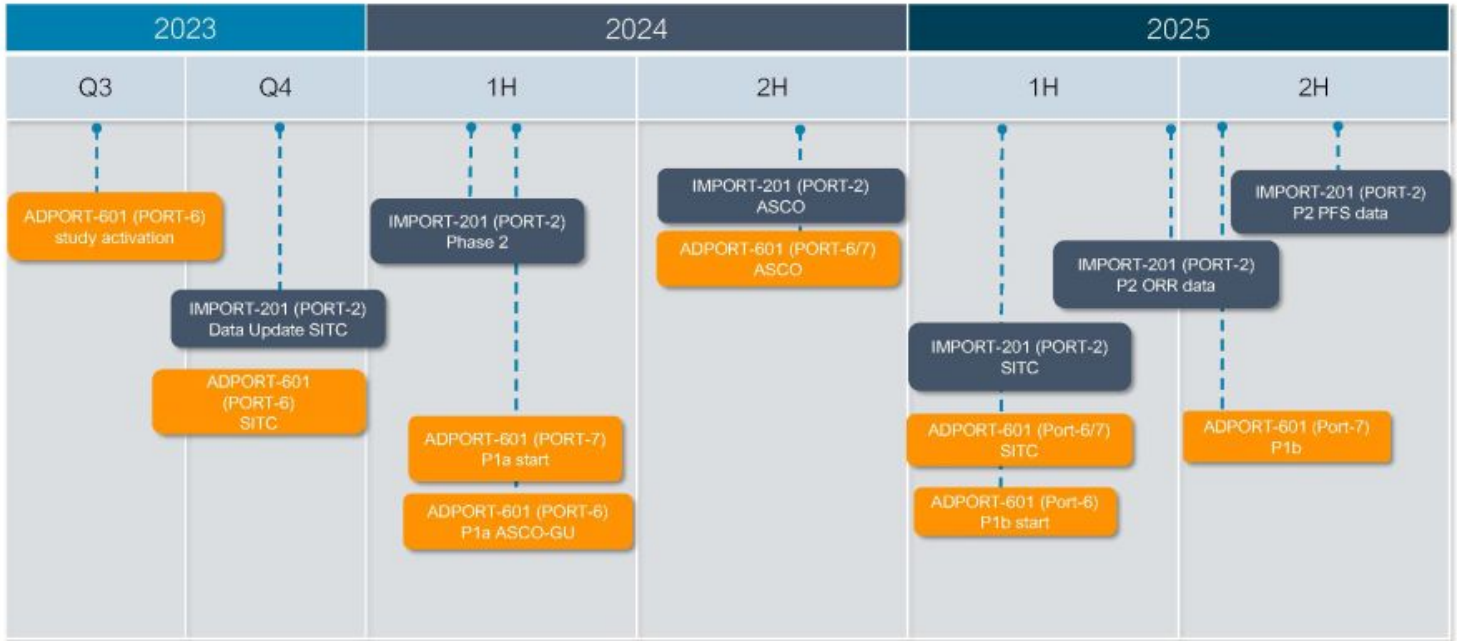
Many Applications
Pending Worldwide

>60
Issued Patents

2031-2041
Patent Exclusivity



Key Upcoming Clinical Development Milestones*



22 *At conferences we will present multiple arms & tumor types

Summary Financial Data



Cash Balance (3/31/23)	~\$10.5 million
Committed Purchase Lincoln Park Capital Available [^]	\$28.0 million
Debt	\$-
Shares Outstanding (07/30/23)**	17,801,391
Insider Ownership	46.4%
Public Float	53.6%
Options & RSUs Outstanding (3/31/23)	2,342,160
Cash Burn During Quarter Ended 3/31/23	\$(~2.6 million)
Expected Quarterly Cash Burn in 2023	~\$5 million

[^]Portage has the right (sole discretion/no obligation), to sell up to \$30 million shares over agreement's 36-month term based on prevailing market prices at the time of each sale, subject to certain conditions. As of 7/31/23, approximately \$28.0 million are available proceeds under the Purchase Agreement.



Novel, Clinical Stage I/O Portfolio with Small Molecule Focus

- Manufacturing simplicity, low capital investment
- Nine phase 1b/2 clinical data reads over next 2 years



Engine for Efficient Drug Development & Commercialization

- Expert scientific oversight
- Lean structure with financial flexibility/good cash runway



Preferred Partner for Pharma in I/O

- Deep industry network facilitates engagement with big pharma and biotech
- Packaged for commercialization/acquisition



Expert Leadership with Track Record of Success

- Proven success, more than 10 oncology approvals
- Formation of Biohaven Pharmaceuticals, sale to Pfizer