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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 May 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)

Clarence Thomas Building, P.O. Box 4649, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, VG1110

(Address of principal executive offices)

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(Name, telephone, e-mail and/or facsimile number and Address of Company Contact Person)

Exhibits

The following Exhibit is filed with this report:

Exhibit Description

99.1 <u>Corporate Presentation</u>

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.

Portage Biotech, Inc.

Date: May 1, 2023 By: /s/ Allan Shaw

Name: Allan Shaw

Title: Chief Financial Officer



Corporate Presentation

Nasdaq: PRTG May 2023



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Investment Highlights



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

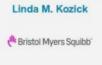




Board of Directors













Over 10 Oncology Approvals, Several Billion \$ Exits



Our Formula for Success





First/Best in Class I/O Agents

- Compounds with broad targets, single agent activity
- Address ~70-80% of patients that don't respond



De-Risked Development

- Randomized studies early
- Enrich patient population when possible



Strong Academic & Industry Network

 Active CRADA with National Cancer Institute

+

 Programs vetted with Big Pharma companies likely to transact



Structured to Create Significant Value

- Partner with large oncology-focused companies
- Retain IP exclusivity

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Potential for Large Returns

- >\$35B market growth to >\$100B
- Data catalysts create meaningful inflections



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



	ASSET	INDICATION	STAGE	# of PTS	Interim Data	Final Data
	PORT-2	Melanoma + NSCLC	Phase 1	18	ASCO 2023	SITC 2023
	PORT-3	Solid Tumors	Phase 1	12		ESMO 2023
0	PORT-2+ Keytruda®	Refractory Melanoma	Phase 2	10	SITC 2023	ASCO 2024
2	PORT-2+ Keytruda®	Front line PD-L1 + NSCLC	Phase 2	30	ASCO 2024	ASCO 2025
3	PORT-2+ Keytruda®	PD-L1 - NSCLC 2 nd /3 rd line	Phase 2	10	SITC 2023	ASCO 2024
4	PORT-2+ Keytruda®	PD-L1 + NSCLC 2 nd line	Phase 2	15	ASCO 2024	SITC 2025
	ASSET	INDICATION	STAGE	# of PTS	Interim Data	Final Data
	PORT-6 (A2A)	A2A exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1a	21-27	SITC 2023	ASCO 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	ASCO 2024	SITC 2024
6	PORT-7 (A2B)	A2A exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1b	20	SITC 2024	ASCO 2025
7	PORT-6 (A2A) + CPI	A2A exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1b	20	SITC 2024	ASCO 2025
8	PORT-7 (A2B) + CPI	A2B exp Solid Tumors	Phase 1b	20	ASCO 2025	SITC 2025
9	PORT 6/7 (A2A/2B) +CPI	BM enriched	Phase 1b	20	SITC 2025	ASCO 2026

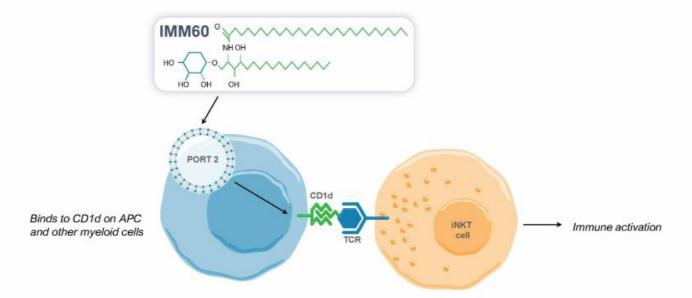




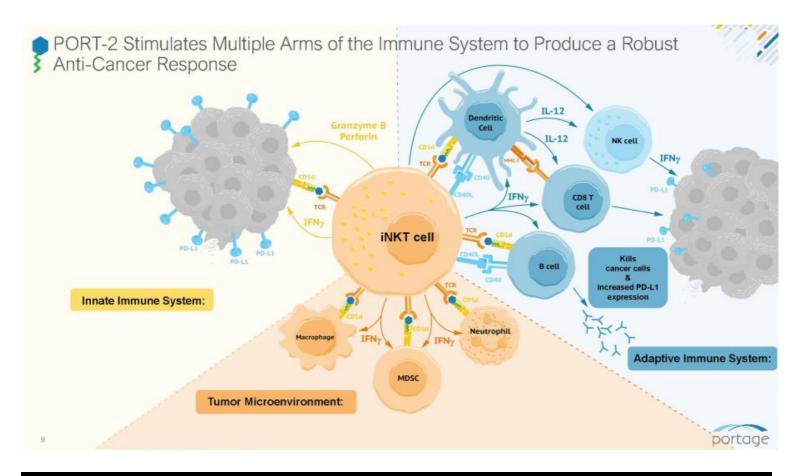




Portage's iNKT Agonist (PORT-2): Rationally Designed Liposomal Formulation of IMM60 iNKT in charged liposome to protect lipid chain, aggregate in tumor, and promote Type 1 cytokine release



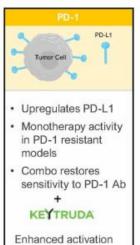




Multiple Cell Types Needed for Anti-Cancer Response



	NK cell	Dendritic cell	B-cell	CD-8 T cell	MDSC & TAM	Antigen
Target cells		*	7			\$35
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Companies	gamida ell	Apexigen	8	ئال	innate pharma	BIONTECA
in the space	Kiadis	Celldex therapeutics	INMUNE BIO	THERAPEUTICS	SURFACE	gritstone
	nkarta THERAPEUTICS	RIGONTEC		Kite	ONCOLOGY Porty Seven	



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



PORT-2 Demonstrates Robust Single Agent Activity



B16 melanoma lung metastases IMM60 (0.5ng/mouse) PORT-2 Vehicle + anti PD-1 Vehicle Untreated

PORT-2 shows better response rates vs. anti-PD-1 in melanoma model



SITC 2022 - Interim Phase 1 Data Confirms PORT-2 Safety and MOA

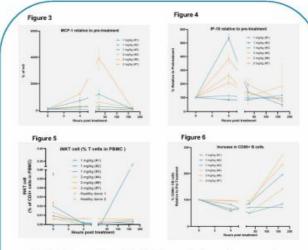


Tumor type	2 Melanoma 4 NSCLC
Age	64 (41,79)
Median prior therapies	5(3,7)
Prior PD-1	100%
Performance status	50% ECOG 0 50% ECOG 1

Exposure/Safety:

- · 27 infusions administered to 6 patients [median 4 per patient]
- · No SAEs, no DLTs were observed

Adverse Event	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3-5
Dizziness	1 (17%)	0	0
Fatigue	0	1 (17%)	0
Flu-like symptoms	1 (17%)	0	0
Hair Loss	1 (17%)	0	0
Headache	1 (17%)	0	0
Hypertension	0	1 (17%)	0
Vomiting	1 (17%)	0	0



- MCP-1 (Figure 3) and IP-10 (Figure 4) showed increases in most subjects, no increases in IL-6, IL-4 and IL-10 iNKTs downregulate their TCR when the agonist binds to the receptor, indicating activation of the iNKT (Figure 5) Increase in CD86+ B cells which is associated with tumor-specific satisfact recently in and specificity to the characteristic in the second control of the interest and specific the second control of the interest and specific the second control of the interest and specific the interest and interest an
- antigen presentation and sensitivity to checkpoint inhibition^a (Figure 6)

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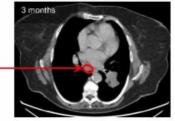
SITC 2022 - Interim Phase 1 Data Confirms Activity



Evidence of monotherapy activity

- Best response by RECIST was PD in all 3 patients at 1mg/m² dose.
- One of 3 patients treated at 3mg/m² had mixed response (melanoma patient previously failed anti-PD-1 and targeted therapy), see images below





Mediastinal Lesion Decreased from 4cm to 1.9cm

Additional data in 2023:

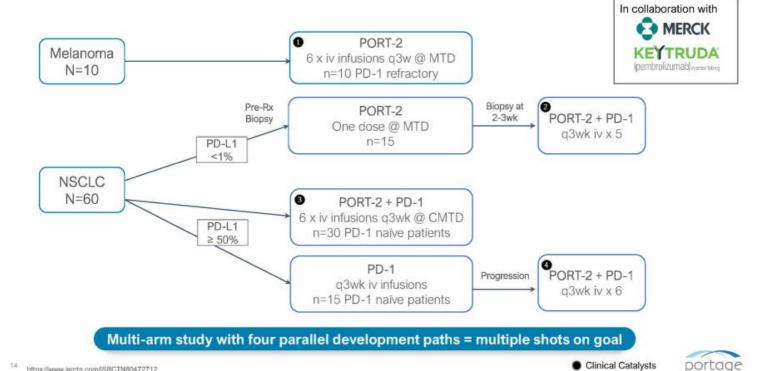
- · High dose cohort of patients receiving PORT-2 monotherapy
 - total patients to receive monotherapy (n=18)
- · Data from cohort of patients receiving PORT-2 + Keytruda combination



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

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

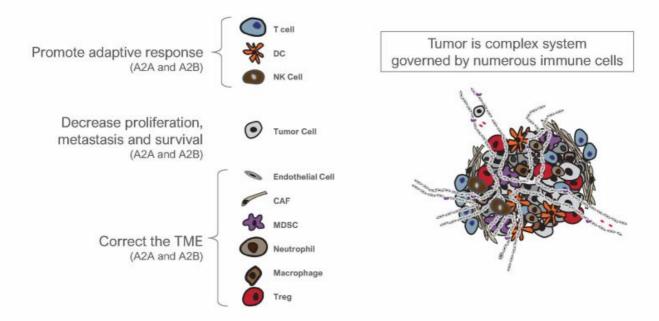
PORT-7 A2BR Inhibitor

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





Difference in A2A Small Molecules

CORVUS



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

Relative profiles of A2A antagonists based on public profiles Bubble size illustrates how long receptors are occupied Only asset with single agent activity in mouse models Competitive inhibitors won't block in settings of high adenosine ARCUS In Phase 1, no efficacy at QD 17% ORR at 80mg BID, need longer occupancy

Potency

Couldn't escalate due to tox (poor selectivity)



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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

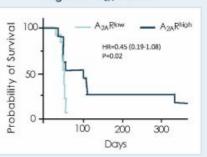
(data from retrospective analysis ASCO 2021)

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



* Expression data from Labcorp



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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

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Receptor	Ki (nm)	Selectivity
A2B	9	1
A1	>30,000	>3000x
A2A	>10,000	>1000x
А3	>30,000	>3000x

Receptor	Ki (nm)	Selectivity
A2B	13	1
A1	300	23x
A2A	1,800	138x
А3	60,000	>4,000x

Portage only company developing potent/selective A2B inhibitor

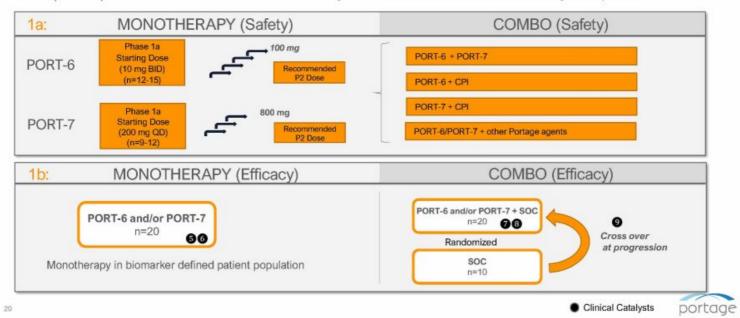


ADPORT-601: Adaptive Phase 1a/1b Study



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



Strong U.S. and Global IP Positions on Platforms and Products



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

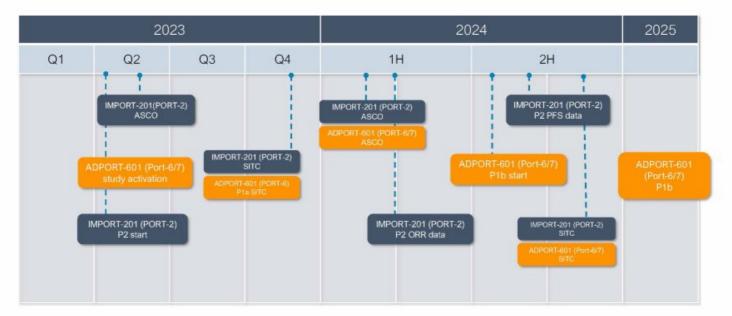
2031-2036

Patent Exclusivity



Key Upcoming Clinical Development Milestones*







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





Cash Balance (12/31/22)	~\$13.1 million	
Committed Purchase Lincoln Park Capital Available [^]	\$29.8 million	
Debt	\$-	
Shares Outstanding (03/01/23)**	17,403,594	
Insider Ownership	50%	
Public Float*	50%	
Options & RSUs Outstanding (12/31/22)	1,596,040	
Cash Burn During Quarter Ended 12/31/22	\$(~2.0 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 2/28/23, approximately \$28.5 million are available proceeds under the Purchase Agreement.

*Includes ~3.5M Shares subject to look-up agreements (6-12 mo) in recent 2 stock transactions.

**Excludes 4,127 shares earned for services rendered in January and February 2023, accrued at February 28, 2023 but not yet issued.



Accelerating I/O Development in Untapped Growth Areas





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



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