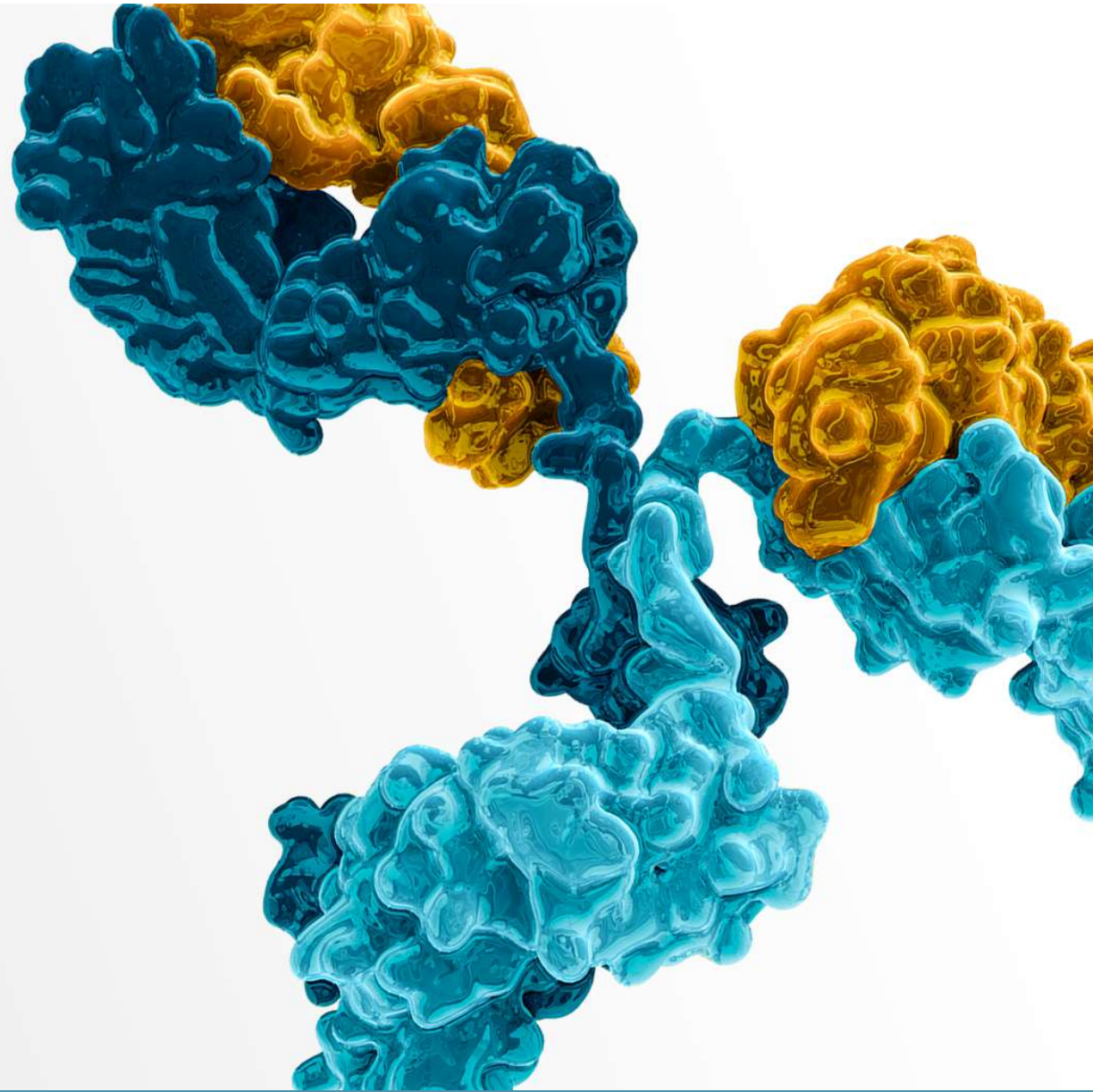


# Merus

*Closing In On Cancer*

June 2020



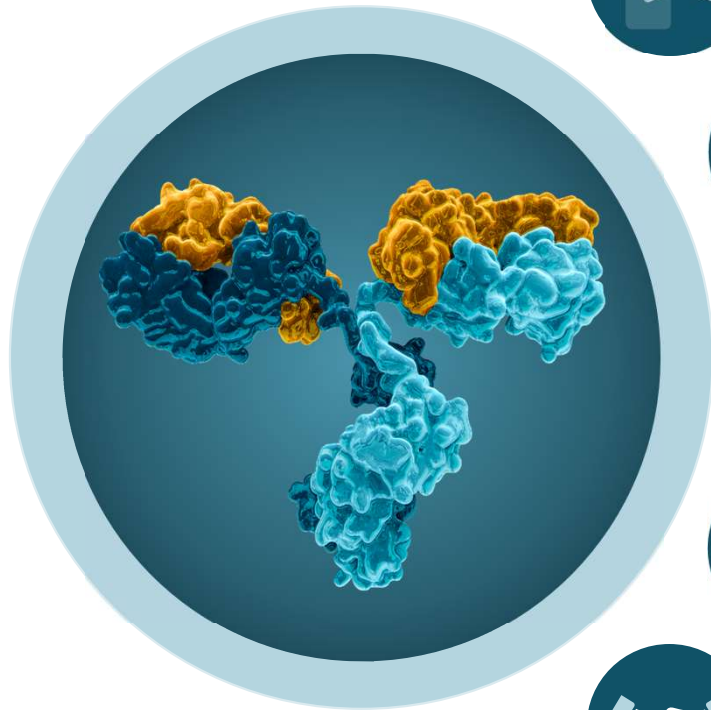
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# Merus Overview



## Oncology-focused Company Developing Multispecific Antibody Therapies

Bispecific and trispecific cancer therapeutic candidates based on the human IgG format



## Established Clinical Pipeline

Clinical proof-of-concept with zenocutuzumab (“Zeno”) in NRG1+ cancers



## 2020-2021 Data Readouts and Strong Cash Position into 2H 2022

Zeno NRG-1 phase 1/2 clinical data by end of 2020



## Leading Multispecific Antibody (Multiclronics®) Platforms

Common light chain format enables broad high throughput Biclronics® and Triclronics™ discovery



## Strategic Collaborations to Unlock Platform Value

Multiple strategic collaborations and license agreements





## Merus Multiclonics®

### *Bispecific and Trispecific Cancer Therapeutic Candidates in Human Monoclonal Antibody Format*



- Large-scale screening to select from up to 1,000s of candidates
  - Potential to identify best and new biological combinations
- Fully human IgG format allows for:
  - Ease of manufacturing
  - Low immunogenicity risk
  - Predictable *in vivo* behavior
  - Improved half life
  - Potential for ADCC enhancement and Fc silencing
- Robust IP portfolio: patents covering Multiclonics® technology, including common light chain antibody generation and dimerization by charge engineering

## Merus Clinical Pipeline

PROGRAM	BISPECIFIC TARGETS	INDICATION(S)	PRECLINICAL	PHASE 1	PHASE 1/2	STATUS
<b>Zenocutuzumab (Zeno) (MCLA-128)</b>	HER3 x HER2	NRG-1 fusion Pancreatic NRG-1 fusion Lung NRG-1 fusion Other solid tumors				Phase 1/2 trial ongoing  Update expected by the end of 2020
<b>MCLA-158</b>	Lgr5 x EGFR	Solid tumors				Phase 1 Trial Ongoing
<b>MCLA-145</b>	CD137 x PD-L1	Solid tumors	 (ex- U.S.)			Phase 1 Trial Ongoing
<b>MCLA-129</b>	EGFR x c-MET	Solid tumors	 (China)			IND Enabling Studies Ongoing
<b>ONO-4685*</b>	PD-1 x CD3	Autoimmune disease				Phase 1 Trial Ongoing
<b>....*</b>	Undisclosed	Autoimmune disease				

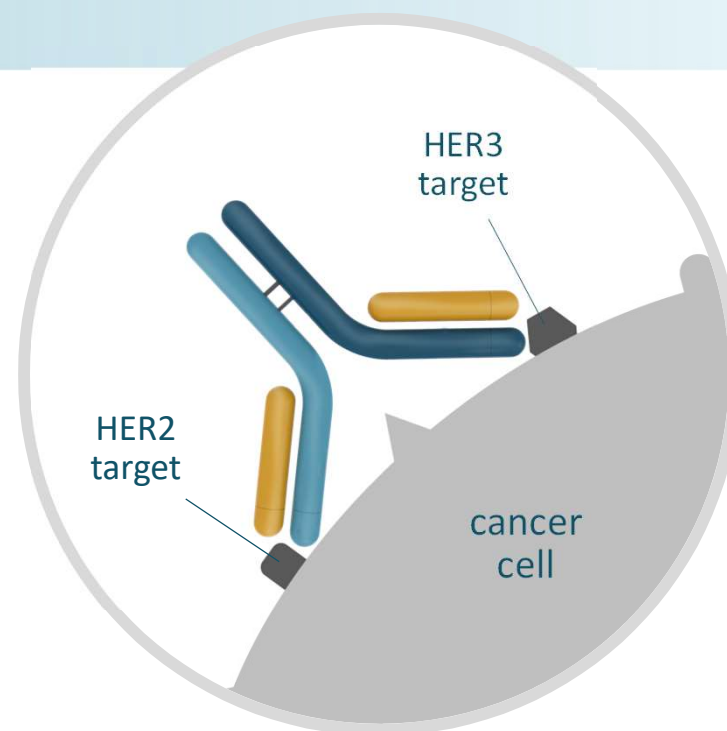
\* If commercialized, Merus to receive royalties

## *Promising early clinical activity in patients with NRG1+ cancers*

- NRG-1 fusions (NRG1+) are rare genetic events occurring in lung, pancreatic and other solid tumors
- Unique DOCK & BLOCK® mechanism of Zeno potentially inhibits NRG1-driven tumor growth
- Enhanced ADCC mediates tumor elimination by immune effector cells
- eNRGy Trial enrolling and Early Access Program ongoing
- Update expected by the end of 2020

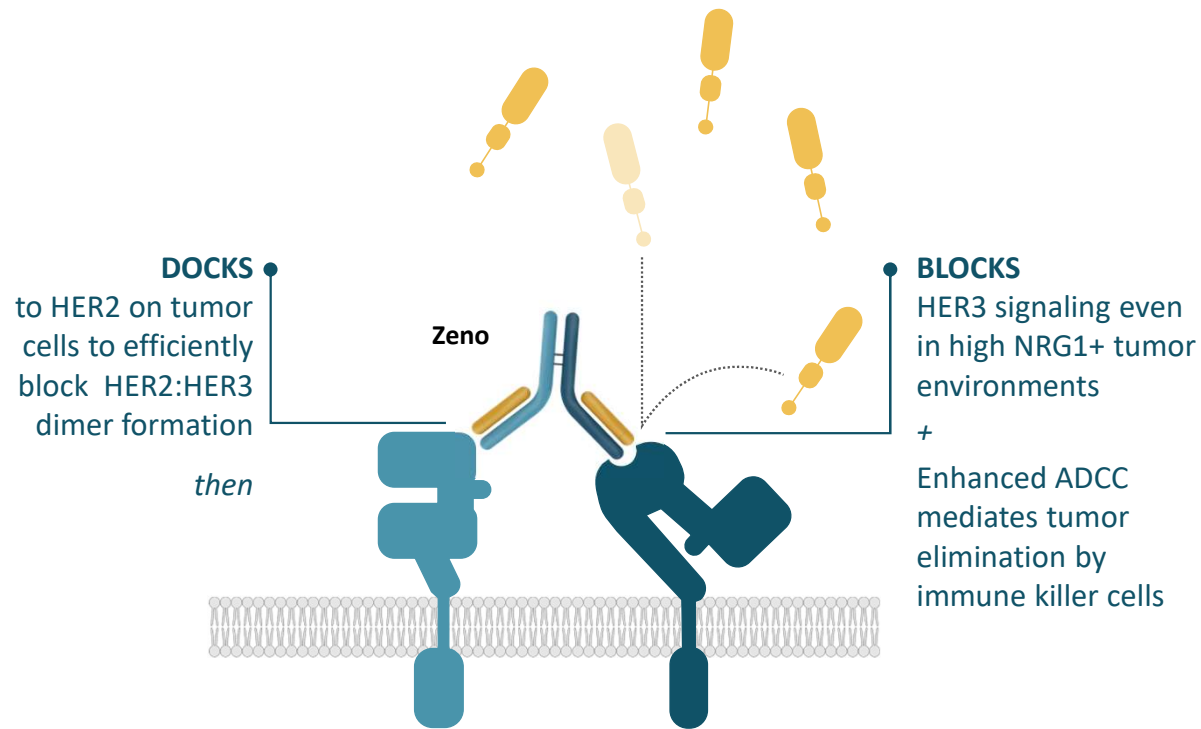
## Zenocutuzumab

MCLA-128 or “Zeno”  
HER2 x HER3 bispecific



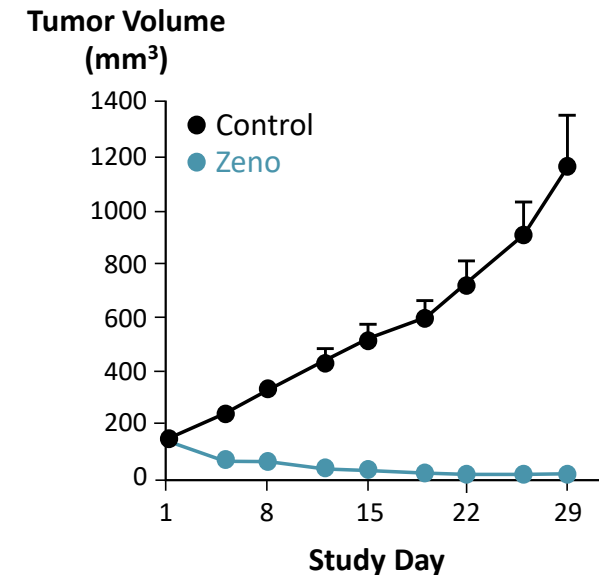
# Zeno DOCK & BLOCK<sup>®</sup> Mechanism of Action

*Uniquely Suited to Target NRG1+ Cancers*



Zeno blocks tumor cell growth and survival driven by HER3 ligands, including neuregulin (NRG-1) or NRG-1 fusions (NRG1+)

## Zeno Blocks Tumor Growth in NRG1+ PDX Model





## Zeno Safety Profile for Single Agent Use

### *Safety Data in Over 100 Patients in Phase 1/2 Trials*



#### Safety and Tolerability in Phase 1/2 Trial

##### **OVER 100 PATIENTS EVALUATED\***

Zeno Dosing: 750 mg ranging from q1w-q3w

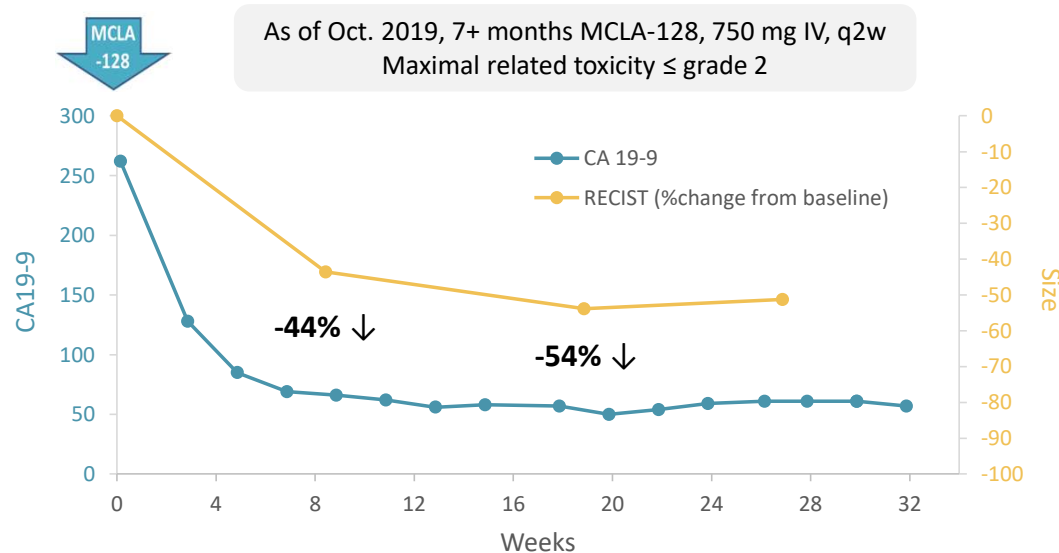
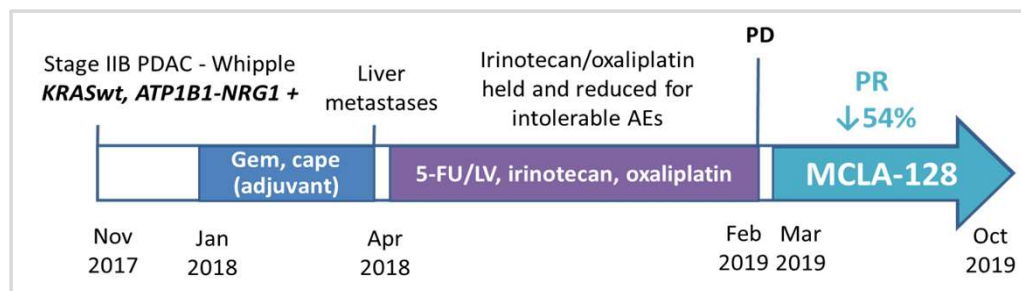
- Single agent well tolerated
- Low risk for immunogenicity
- Most AEs were grade 1-2



## Zeno Clinical Response in NRG1+ Cancers

*Patient Data Presented at 2019 AACR-NCI-EORTC International Conference*

**Example  
pancreatic  
cancer patient:**



## Zeno Activity and Promising Durability Observed in Patients

### *Zeno NRG1+ Clinical Activity Reported by MSKCC at 2019 AACR-NCI-EORTC International Conference*

	PANCREATIC CANCER		LUNG CANCER
<b>Tumor size reduction</b>	54% (PR)	25% (SD)	41% (PR)
<b>PET scan</b>	Neg	Neg	nd
<b>Decline in tumor marker</b>	~75%	~90%	N/A
<b>Duration of treatment (mo)</b>	>7*	>7*	~ 5*

Source: AACR-NCI-EORTC International Conference on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics 2019  
[https://merus.nl/app/uploads/2019/10/AACR-NCI-EORTC\\_Poster-LB-B12\\_NRG1-MCLA-128\\_10252019\\_FINAL.pdf](https://merus.nl/app/uploads/2019/10/AACR-NCI-EORTC_Poster-LB-B12_NRG1-MCLA-128_10252019_FINAL.pdf)

### *Overall Experience with Zeno in NRG1+ Tumors as of October 2019*

	N	PANCREATIC CANCER	LUNG CANCER
<b>Evaluable</b>	6	PR 7 mo*; SD 7 mo	PR 5 mo*; SD 7 mo; PD; PD
<b>Non-evaluable</b>	3	Died of progressive disease prior to first evaluation	2 Pts not yet at first evaluation

5 patients enrolled on the eNRGy trial; 4 patients treated under Early Access Program

Source: Merus Press Release Oct 27, 2019 <https://ir.merus.nl/news-releases/news-release-details/merus-bispecific-antibody-mcla-128-shows-encouraging-early>

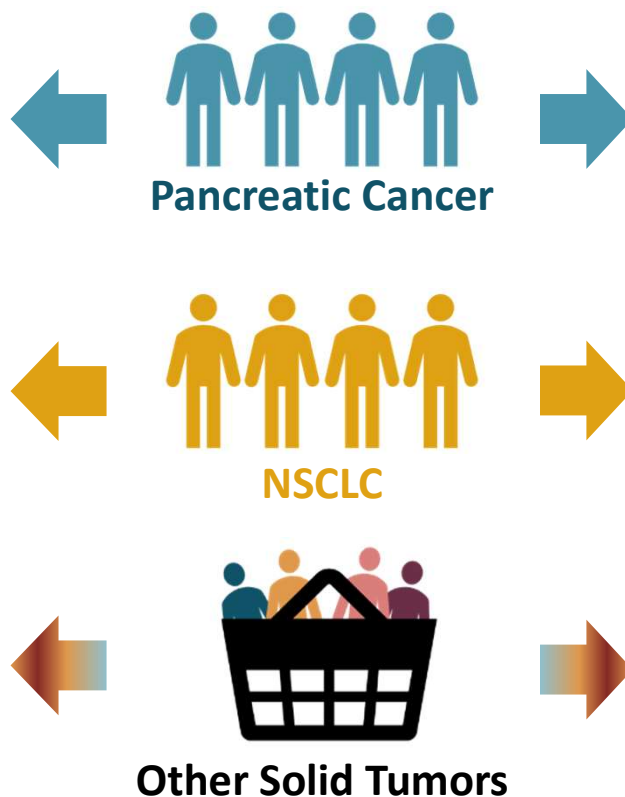
\*Indicates treatment was ongoing at the time of the conference; nd, no data; N/A, not applicable

# Zeno Clinical Programs in NRG1+ Cancers

*eNRGy Clinical Trial and Early Access Program Ongoing*

**eNRGy**  
Clinical Trial

- Phase 1/2 global single arm trial of Zeno in NRG1+ cancers
- Cohorts include Pancreatic, Lung, and other solid tumors
- Majority of clinical trial sites open and enrolling
- Ongoing Phase 1/2 trial update expected by the end of 2020






## Early Access Program

- For eligible patients who do not enroll on the eNRGy trial
- Allows patients with NRG1+ cancers to receive treatment with Zeno
- Evaluations and patient follow up may be similar to eNRGy protocol
- May provide additional clinical data in support of Zeno NRG1+ program

## Identifying and Recruiting NRG1+ Patients

### NRG-1 Fusions are Found Across Multiple Solid Tumor Types

TUMOR TYPE		ESTIMATED INCIDENCE (%)
	LUNG	0.3 – 3.0
	PANCREAS	0.5 – 1.5
	OTHER	< 1.0

### Comprehensive Effort to Identify and Recruit NRG1+ Patients



**IDENTIFICATION**  
Patient testing and  
physician engagement  
campaigns



**COLLABORATION**  
Physician, trial site  
engagement & support  
1-833-NRG-1234  
www.nrg1.com



**PLACEMENT**  
Patient logistics /  
support for eNRGy  
trial or EAP

**eNRGy**  
Clinical Trial

**Early Access  
Program**

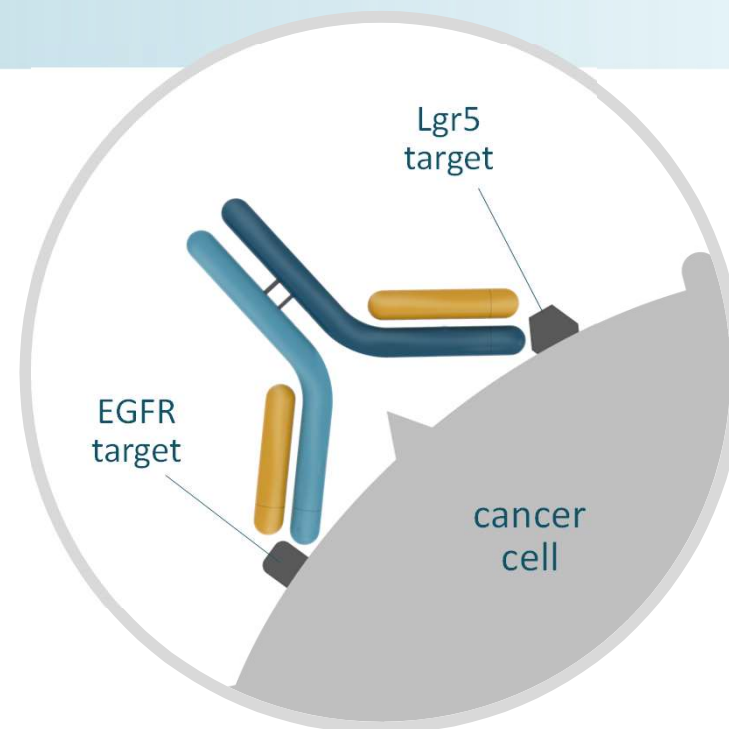
Note: Projections of NRG1 Fusions occurrence (incidence) are based on limited published information, including Jonna S et al. Clinical Cancer Research (2019) and an independent epidemiology study of the prevalence of NRG1 gene fusion-positive ("NRG1+") cancers <https://ir.merus.nl/news-releases/news-release-details/merus-announces-acceptance-six-abstracts-upcoming-medical>

***Designed to potently block signaling and growth in Wnt-dysregulated solid tumors***

- Binds to EGFR and Lgr5, an intestinal cancer-initiating cell antigen
- Potential to address significant unmet need in colorectal cancers and a variety of other solid tumors
- Blocks growth in Wnt-dysregulated tumor models including Ras<sup>mut</sup>
- Modifications to enhance ADCC
- Global phase 1 clinical trial enrolling

## MCLA-158

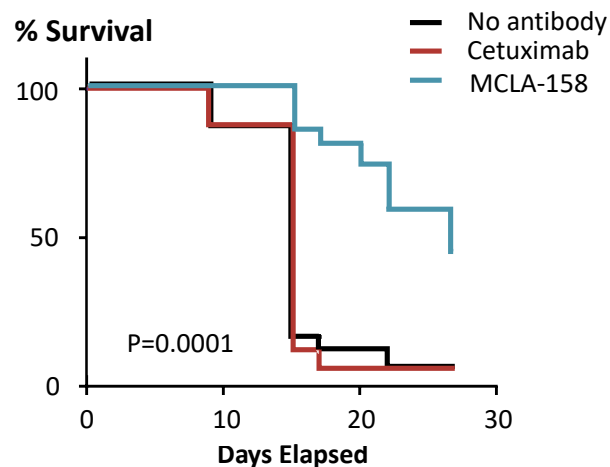
Lgr5 x EGFR bispecific



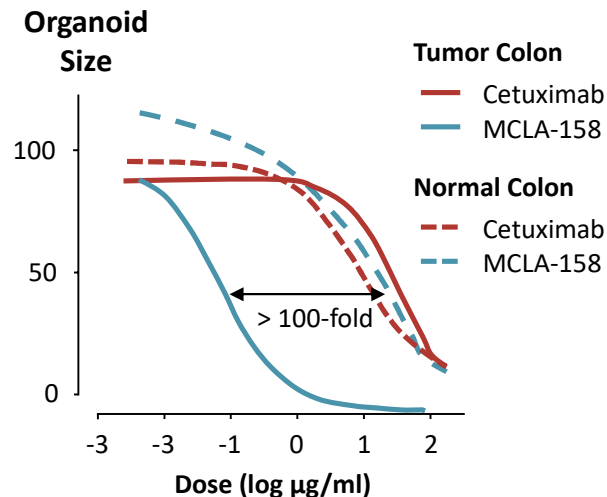
# MCLA-158 — Novel Target and Innovative MoA

## *Superior Growth Inhibition and Selectivity of Tumor Versus Healthy Tissue*

Superior **ACTIVITY**  
compared to Cetuximab



Superior **SELECTIVITY** for  
tumor-derived organoids



### ONGOING PHASE 1 TRIAL

- Global Phase 1 dose escalation and cohort expansion trial
- Protocol includes dose expansion phase at RP2D

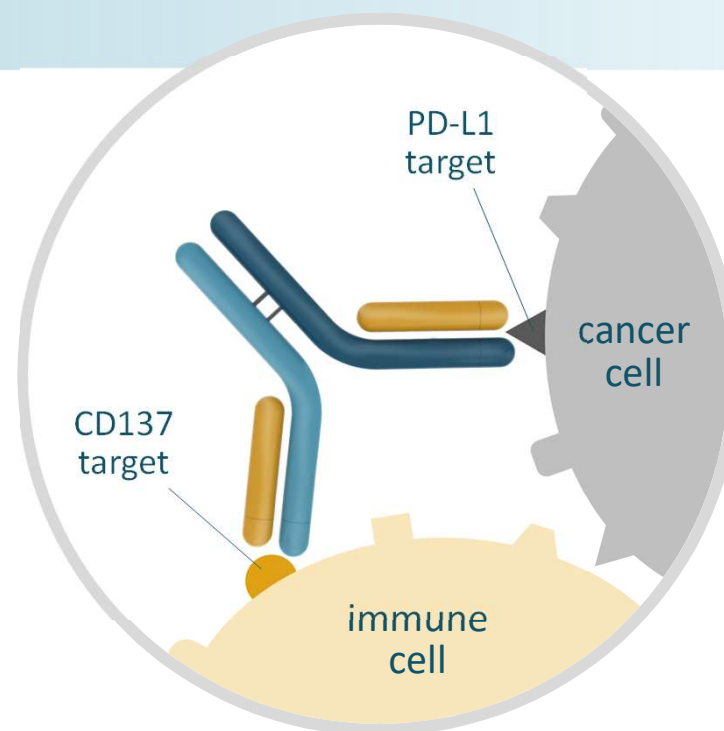
- Activity observed in xenograft models resistant to treatment with Cetuximab
- MCLA-158 discriminated between organoids derived from tumor and healthy tissue

## *Designed to recruit and activate tumor infiltrating T-cells*

- Binds to PD-L1 on tumor cells and CD137 (4-1BB), a potent activator of tumor infiltrating T-cells, on activated T-cells
- Targeting to PD-L1 positive cells in the tumor and blocking the PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitory signal
- Potential in a variety of solid tumors and hematological malignancies
- Global phase 1 trial ongoing in collaboration with Incyte

## MCLA-145

PD-L1 x CD137 bispecific

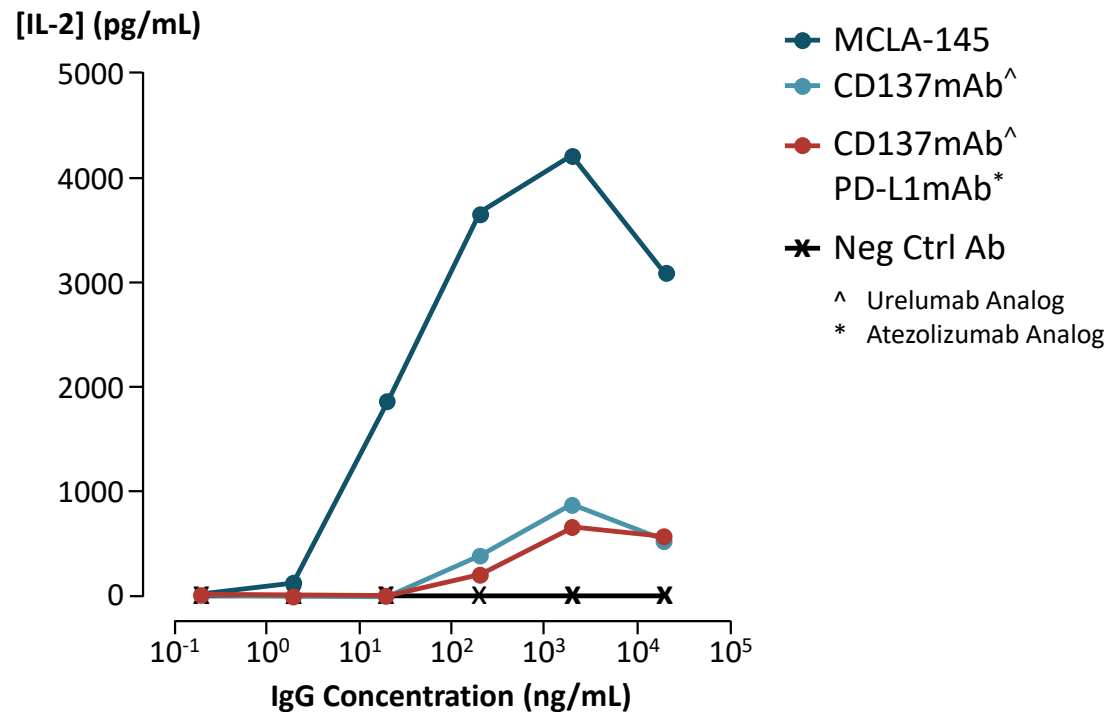




# MCLA-145 — Targets PD-L1 Positive Tumor Cells

## *Demonstrated Potent T Cell Activation in Preclinical Studies*

### Primary T Cell Transactivation Assay



### Ongoing Phase 1 Trial

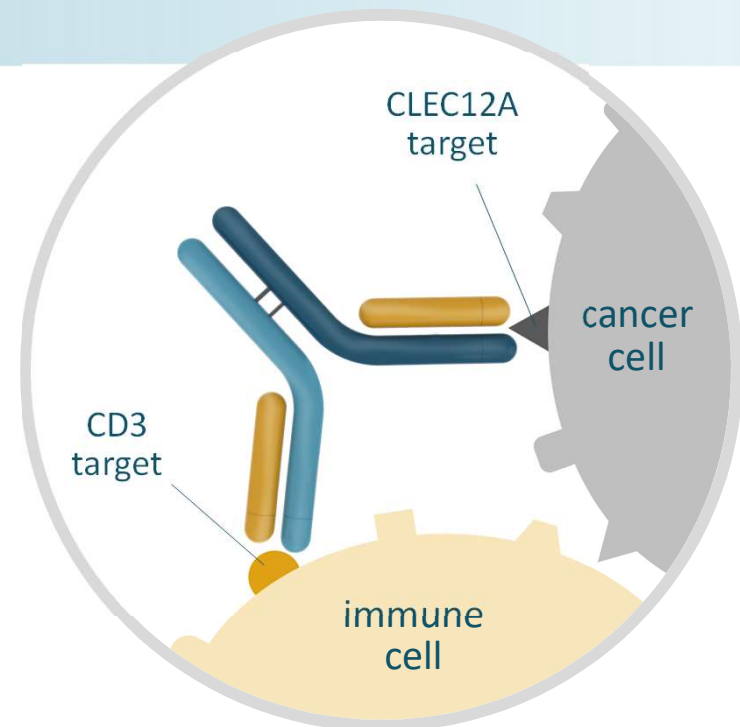
- Global open-label Phase 1 dose escalation trial ongoing
- Clinical trial co-developed in collaboration with Incyte Corporation

Source: 2019 AACR Presentation A bispecific Fc-silenced IgG1 antibody (MCLA-145) requires PD-L1 binding to activate CD137  
[https://merus.nl/app/uploads/2019/04/IC171-19E-AACR19-Mayes-MCLA-145-MoA-Poster\\_MT06\\_for-approval-032019.pdf](https://merus.nl/app/uploads/2019/04/IC171-19E-AACR19-Mayes-MCLA-145-MoA-Poster_MT06_for-approval-032019.pdf)

## *Interim phase 1 trial results of novel T-cell engager at EHA 2020*

- Designed with lower CD3 affinity binding to potentially reduce the risk of cytokine release syndrome
- Acceptable safety profile in clinical trial
- Active in acute myeloid leukemia (AML) with T-cell activation, cytokine elevation and AML blast reductions in some patients
- Insufficient clinical activity in escalation to continue to enroll dose expansion cohorts
- Findings from this trial expected to inform further development of our extensive proprietary T-cell engager platform

## **MCLA-117** CLEC12A x CD3 bispecific

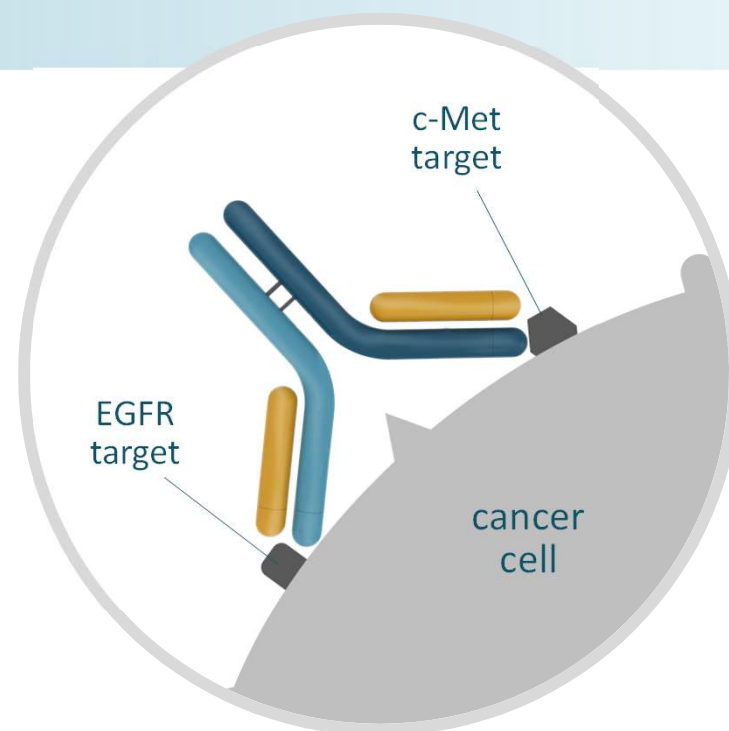


## *Designed to target lung cancer and other solid tumors*

- Targets both c-Met and EGFR on cancer cells as well as resistance mechanism
- Preclinical program directed at a target-pair combination with clinical validation
- Significant opportunity in lung cancer and other solid tumors

## MCLA-129

c-MET x EGFR Bispecific



## Merus Collaborations & Licensing Agreements

*Expanding Merus pipeline through development of innovative therapeutics*



**Global collaboration  
of up to 11 Bionics®  
programs**

\$200mm at signing and  
research funding, Merus  
retains full U.S. rights to  
develop, commercialize  
MCLA-145



**MCLA-129  
EGFR x C-MET  
collaboration**

Betta conducting  
IND-enabling studies;  
Merus retains global  
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**Collaboration with  
3 immuno-oncology  
Bionics® programs**

Simcere responsible for  
IND-enabling and China  
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**Bionics® Licensing  
Agreement for Auto-  
immune diseases**

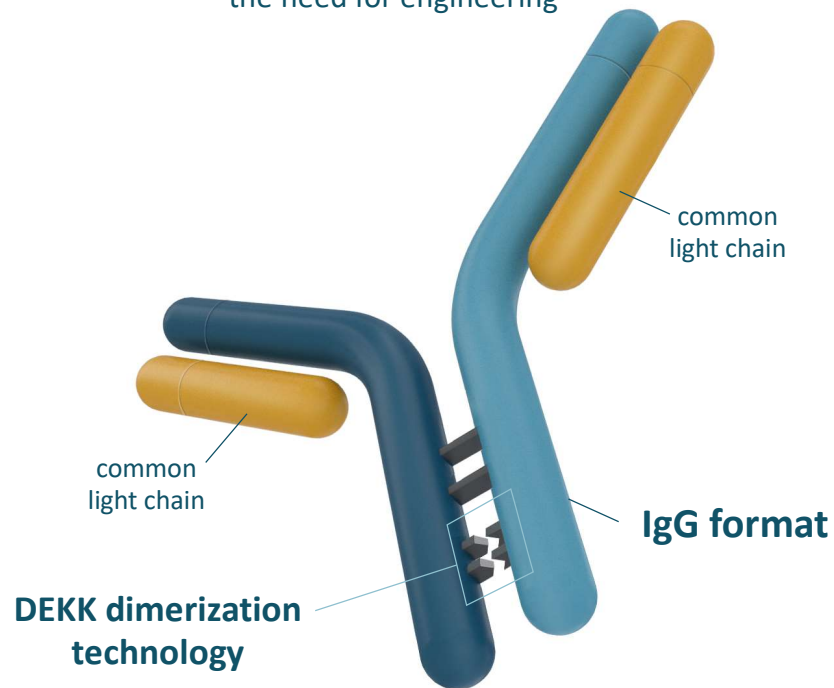
Phase 1 trial in Japan for  
ONO-4685, a PD-1 x CD3  
bispecific antibody

# Our Science — Multiclonics® Technology

## *Leading the Next Generation of Multispecific Antibody Therapies*

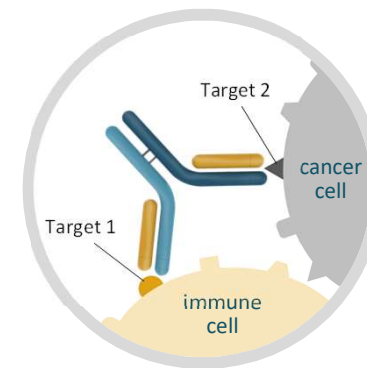
### Common Light Chain (cLC) Antibodies

to prevent heavy/light chain mispairing without the need for engineering

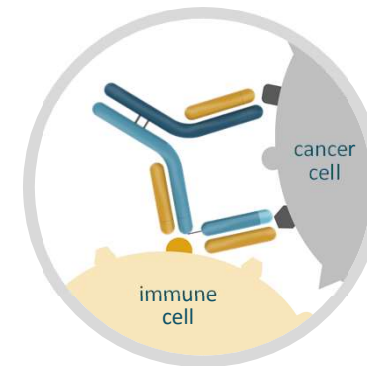


### Multiclonics® Format

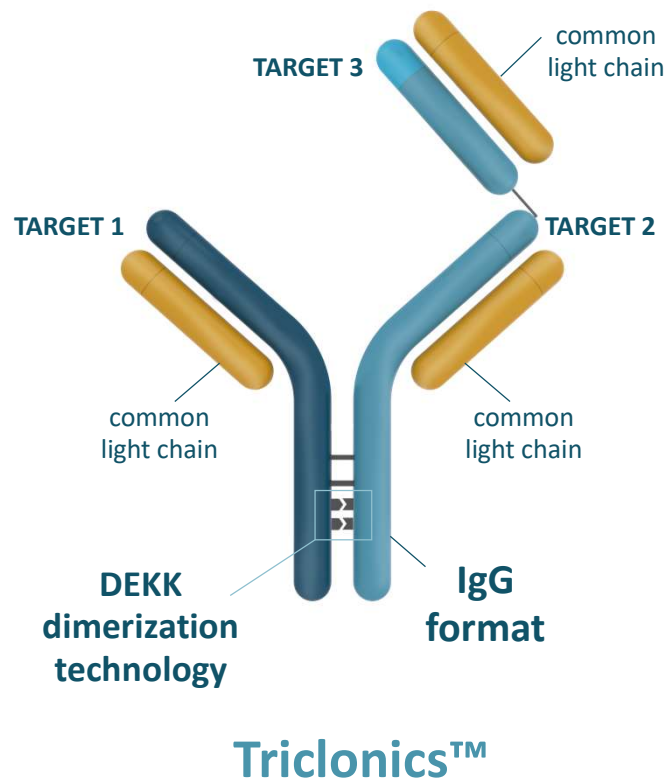
**Biclonics®**



**Triclonics™**



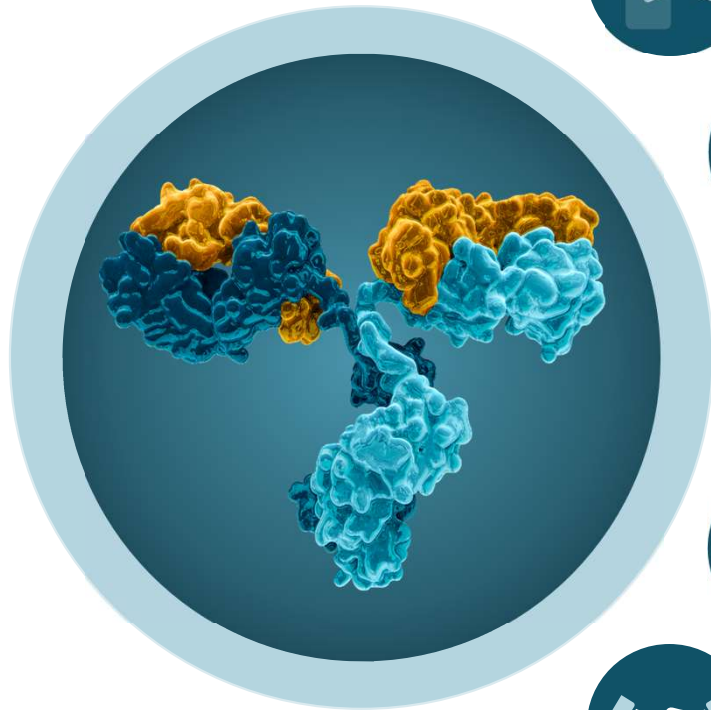
## Our Research — Triclronics™ and Beyond



### Triclronics™ Opportunity

- High throughput production, purification and screening in the trispecific format
- Stable format with predictable behavior that can be produced as if it were a normal monoclonal antibody
- Allows for 3 specificities without the need to engineer each individual Fab
- Leverages Merus' extensive library of established antibody panels that bind tumor antigens and engage and modulate the immune system to explore combinations and novel biology

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