

Elevation Oncology Presents Preclinical Proof-of-Concept Data for HER3-ADC Program at AACR Annual Meeting 2024

-- On-track to nominate development candidate in 2024 --

BOSTON, April 8, 2024 [/PRNewswire/](#) -- Elevation Oncology, Inc. (Nasdaq: ELEV), an innovative oncology company focused on the discovery and development of selective cancer therapies to treat patients across a range of solid tumors with significant unmet medical needs, today announced new preclinical data demonstrating proof-of-concept for its differentiated HER3-ADC program. The data will be presented in a poster session at the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) Annual Meeting 2024, being held April 5-10 in San Diego, California.

"We are pleased to share the first preclinical proof-of-concept data for our HER3-ADC program, reinforcing our commitment to advancing a portfolio of differentiated ADC-based therapies that may deliver better outcomes for patients," said David Dornan, Ph.D., Chief Scientific Officer of Elevation Oncology. "With our HER3-ADC program, we set out to design a differentiated ADC which selectively binds to HER3 and is internalized to potentially attack HER3-expressing cancerous cells while minimizing systemic exposure. Preclinical data with our proof-of-concept HER3-ADC shows HER3-dependent cell killing and robust anti-tumor activity *in vivo* where HER3 is expressed at high levels. We look forward to nominating a development candidate from our HER3 program later this year and, subsequently, advancing our program closer to the clinic."

HER3 is a clinically validated oncology and antibody-drug conjugate (ADC) target, which is overexpressed in a range of solid tumors, including breast cancer, EGFR-mutant non-small cell lung cancer and pancreatic cancer, and is often associated with poor clinical outcomes. Elevation Oncology's HER3-ADC program conjugated seribantumab, its anti-HER3 monoclonal antibody, with a cleavable valine-citrulline linker and monomethyl auristatin E (MMAE) payload to yield HER3-ADC1, a proof-of-concept molecule with an average drug-antibody ratio (DAR) of 4.

In a poster titled, "Therapeutic potential of a HER3 antibody-drug conjugate for the treatment of HER3-expressing cancers," Elevation Oncology scientists presented *in vitro* and *in vivo* data of a seribantumab-based ADC for patients with HER3-expressing cancers. The data showed:

- HER3-ADC1 binding to cancer cells, endocytosis, MMAE release and inhibition of proliferation were dependent on HER3 expression.
- In cytotoxicity assays, HER3-ADC1 displayed HER3-dependent cell killing and outperformed a benchmark HER3-ADC with a deruxtecan payload, which is currently in clinical development.
- In a patient derived xenograft (PDX) model of pancreatic cancer with high HER3 expression, HER3-ADC1 induced tumor regression, whereas an isotype-MMAE control and a benchmark HER3-ADC with a deruxtecan payload had only a modest effect.

The poster presentation is now available in the "Publications" section of Elevation Oncology's website: <https://elevationoncology.com/resources/publications/>.

About Elevation Oncology, Inc.

Elevation Oncology is an innovative oncology company focused on the discovery and development of selective cancer therapies to treat patients across a range of solid tumors with significant unmet medical needs. We are leveraging our antibody-drug conjugate (ADC) expertise to advance a novel pipeline, initially targeting two clinically validated targets in oncology, Claudin 18.2 and HER3. Our lead candidate, EO-3021, is a potential best-in-class ADC designed to target Claudin 18.2 and is currently being evaluated in a Phase 1 trial ([NCT05980416](#)) in patients with advanced, unresectable or metastatic solid tumors likely to express Claudin 18.2 including gastric, gastroesophageal junction, pancreatic or esophageal cancers. Additionally, we expect to nominate a development candidate for our second program, a HER3-targeting ADC for the treatment of patients with solid tumors that overexpress HER3, in 2024. For more information, visit www.ElevationOncology.com.

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