UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 10, 2021

IKENA ONCOLOGY, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	**001-40287**	**81-1697316**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	**(Commission File Number)**	**(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)**

Ikena Oncology, Inc.
645 Summer Street, Suite 101
Boston, Massachusetts 02210
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(857) 273-8343
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trade Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, $0.001 par value per share	**IKNA**	**The Nasdaq Global Market**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☒

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On November 10, 2021, Ikena Oncology, Inc. (the "Company") updated its corporate presentation, attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The corporate presentation will also be available in the investor relations section of the Company's website at https://www.ikenaoncology.com/.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Ikena Oncology, Inc. 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 hereunto duly authorized.

Ikena Oncology, Inc.

Date: November 10, 2021

By: /s/ Mark Manfredi
Mark Manfredi, Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer


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Certain information contained in this Presentation relates to or is based on estimates, projections and other information concerning the Company's industry, its business and the markets for its programs and product candidates and studies, publications, surveys and other data obtained from third-party sources and the Company's own internal estimates and research. While the Company believes these third-party sources to be reliable as of the date of this Presentation, it has not independently verified, and makes no representation as to the adequacy, fairness, accuracy or completeness of, any information obtained from third-party sources. In addition, all of the market data included in this Presentation involves a number of assumptions and limitations, and there can be no guarantee as to the accuracy or reliability of such assumptions. Finally, while we believe our own internal research is reliable, such research has not been verified by any independent source.

These forward-looking statements are based on the beliefs of our management as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to us. Although we believe the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. If such assumptions do not fully materialize or prove incorrect, the events or circumstances referred to in the forward-looking statements may not occur. We undertake no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason after the date of this presentation to conform these statements to actual results or to changes in our expectations, except as required by law. Accordingly, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Additional risks and uncertainties that could affect our business are included under the caption "Risk Factors" in our most recent report filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Developing Biology-Driven Medicines and Expanding the Impact of Targeted Oncology for Patients

Ikena Mission

Patient-driven drug development targeting **oncogenic drivers** and pathways of **therapeutic resistance**

Using **known and novel biomarkers** and approaches for targeted therapy development and patient identification

By the Numbers

3 programs in clinical development or clinic-ready

2 programs partnered with oncology partner of choice, BMS

Multiple targeted oncology programs in discovery across **2** key pathways

60 diverse, experienced team members

$264M in cash; Runway through **2023**

Current Focus

Targeted Oncology

Hippo Pathway

RAS Pathway

Immune-signaling in the tumor-microenvironment

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Pipeline of Biomarker-Defined Therapies Designed to Improve Patient Outcomes


Targeting TEAD & the Hippo Pathway
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Patients with Hippo-Driven Cancers Could Benefit from IK-930 Monotherapy

Hippo landscape is developing; the identification of additional related indications continues

~125,000 newly diagnosed cancer patients per year in the US with hippo pathway mutations and alteration

- **Malignant Mesothelioma:** ~**40%** have NF2 loss of function mutations
- **NSCLC: 6%** YAP1 and **29%** TAZ amplification

- **Meningioma:** High frequency of NF2 deficiency; Most common CNS tumor, accounting for **~one-third** of primary CNS tumors
- **Head & Neck Cancers:** Growing body of knowledge on frequent YAP/TAZ amplification and FAT1 (upstream) deficiency

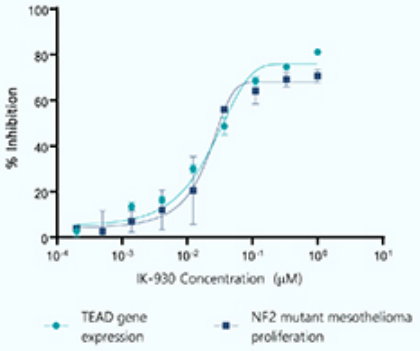
- **Soft Tissue Sarcomas:** **~90%** of epithelioid hemangioendothelioma, or EHE, have TAZ-CAMTA1 fusions; **10%** of EHE have YAP1-TFE3 fusions

The Cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA)

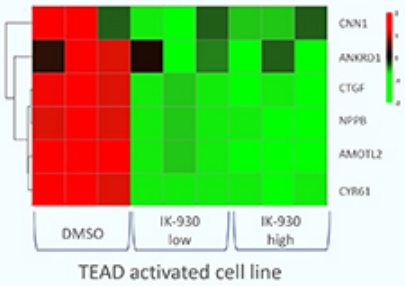
IK-930 is an Oral, Selective, Potent TEAD Inhibitor

IK-930 was well tolerated preclinically while showing significant impact on TEAD dependent gene expression

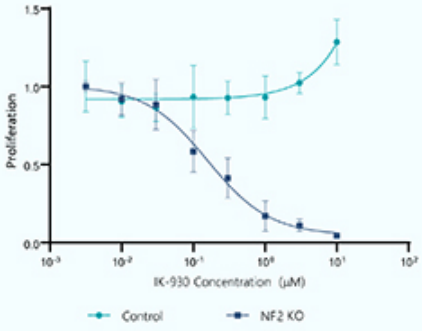
Potent TEAD Inhibition



Robust Inhibition TEAD Target Gene Expression

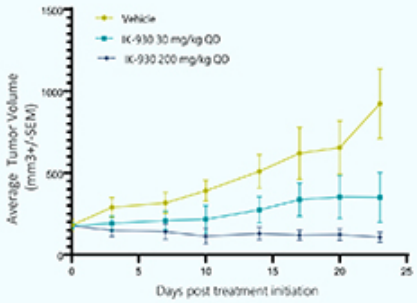


Selective Activity in Hippo-Mutated Cells

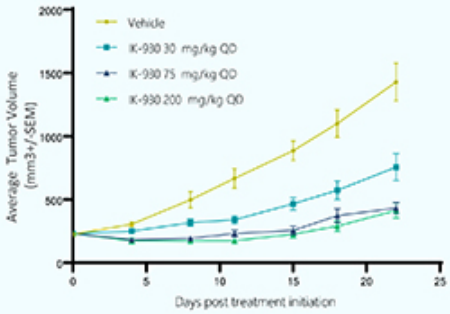


IK-930 Monotherapy Has Potential Across Genetic Mutations in the Hippo Pathway

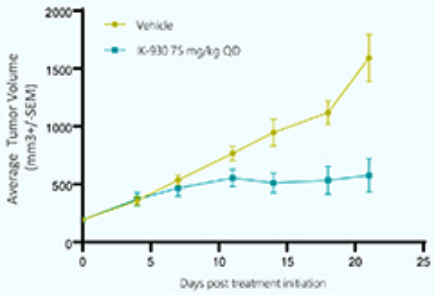
Impact Across Tumor Models



NF2 Deficient Mesothelioma Model



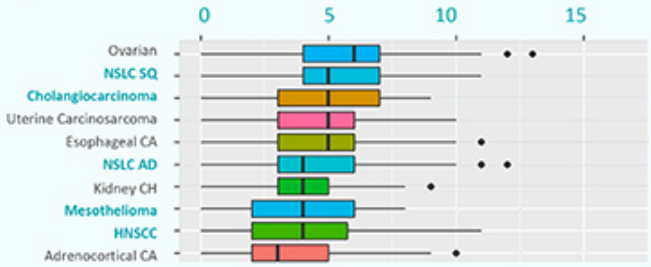
LATS1/LATS2 Mutated Mesothelioma Model



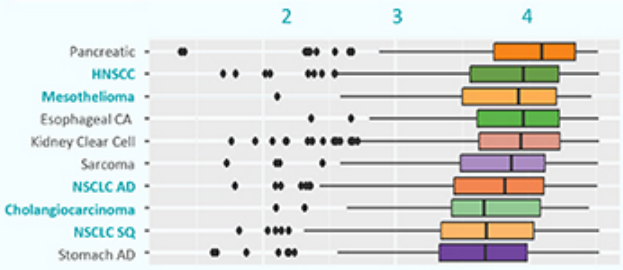
YAP1 Amplified HNSCC Model

Robust Translational Data to Drive Indication Selection

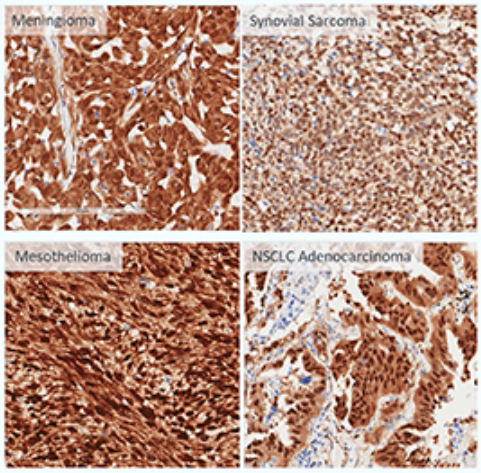
Top 10: Hippo Alterations



Top 10: YAP/TAZ Activity Score



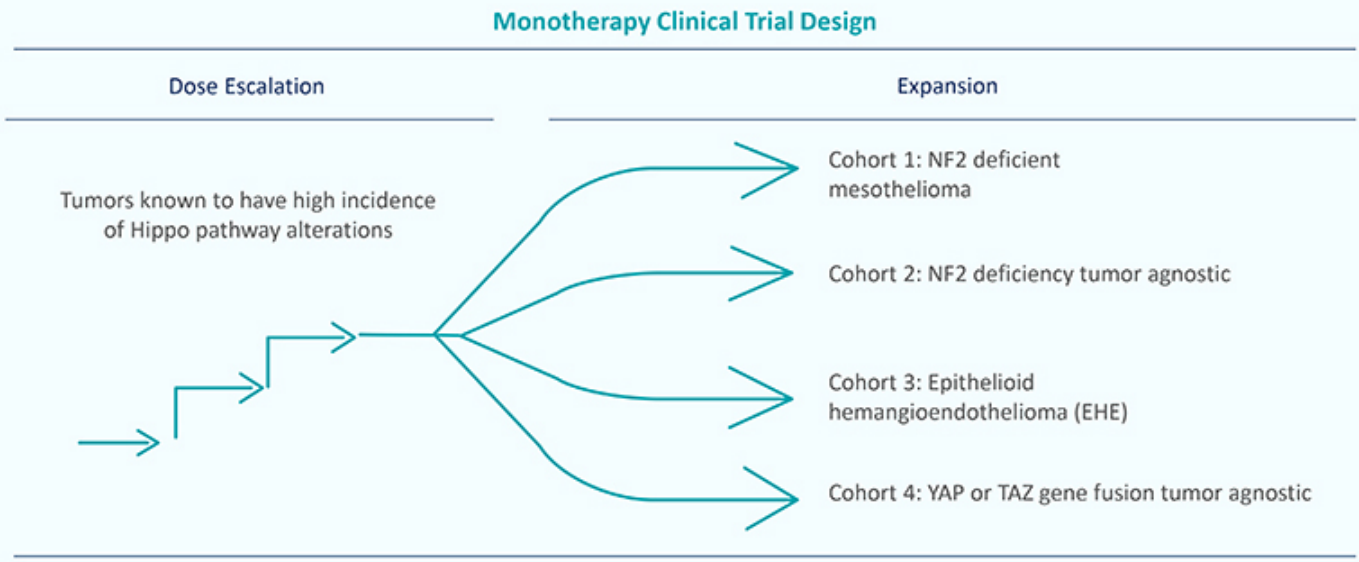
YAP/TAZ Nuclear Localization



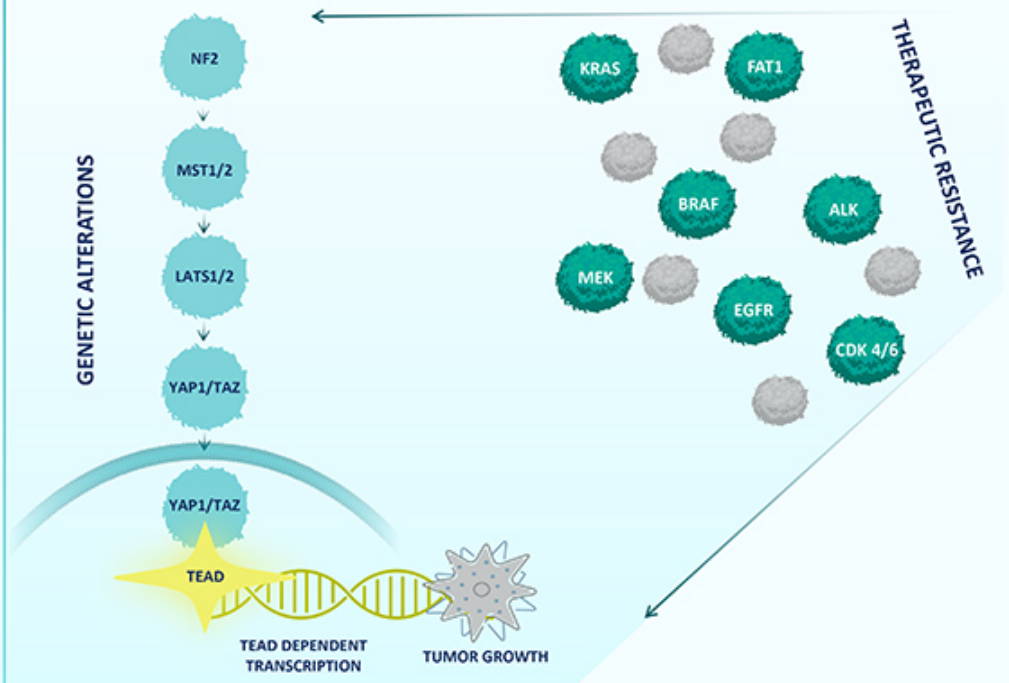
High YAP1 nuclear protein expression indicative of pathway activation in select indications

IK-930 First-in-Human Trial Monotherapy Targeting Hippo-Driven Cancers

Monotherapy Clinical Trial Design



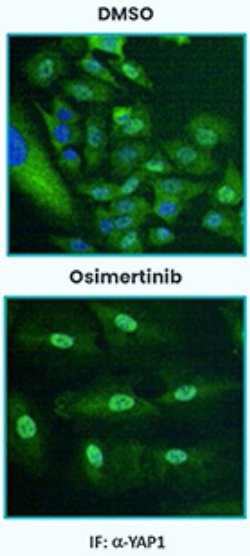
Hippo Pathway Engagement in Therapeutic Resistance and Tumor Escape



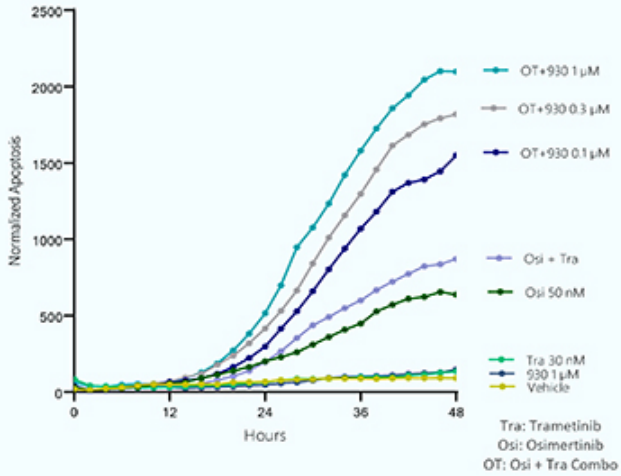
- Combining IK-930 with other targeted therapies has the **potential to combat** therapeutic resistance
- Resistance to multiple targeted therapies and tumor recurrence can be linked to YAP/TEAD activation
- Overcoming resistance mechanisms and escape could not only **deepen and prolong responses but could address de novo resistance**, allowing more patients to respond to target therapies overall

Targeted-Therapy Treated EGFRm NSCLC Shows Potential for IK-930 Combo Benefit

EGFR Inhibitor Promotes YAP1 Nuclear Localization



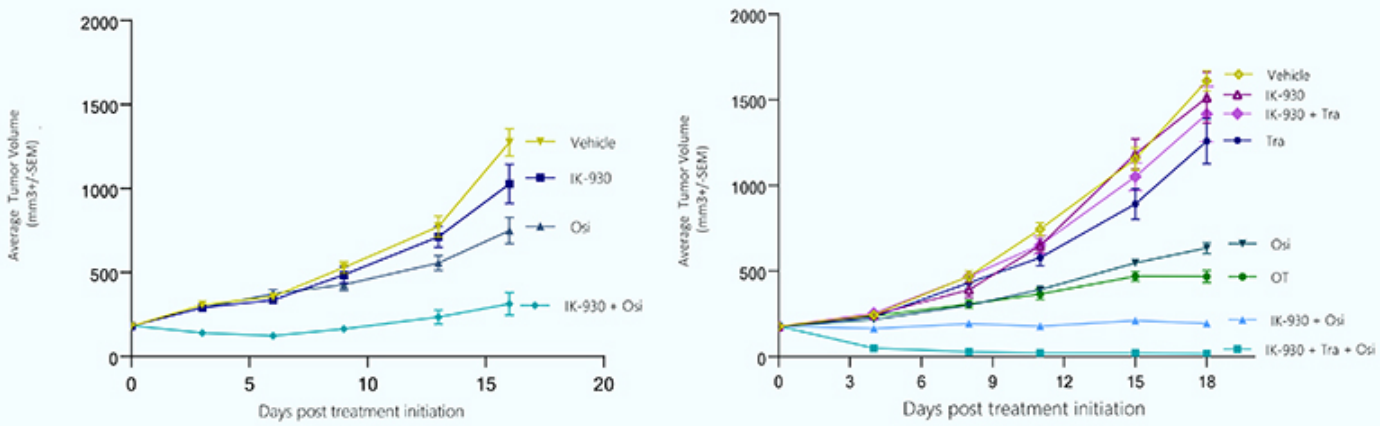
IK-930 Combo with MEKi & EGFRi in EGFRm NSCLC Model Shows Significant Increase in Targeted Apoptosis



IK-930 Combo with EGFRi & MEKi Shows Preclinical Efficacy in EGFRm Cancer Models

Combo could have potential for first-line approach in EGFRm cancers

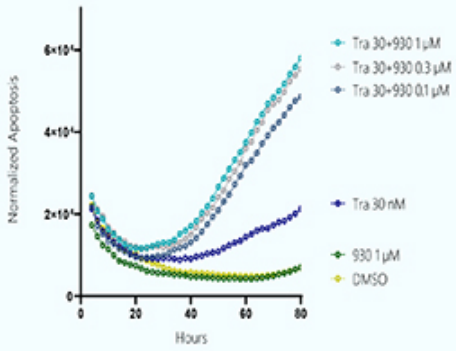
Combo Efficacy in Multiple Models of EGFRm NSCLC



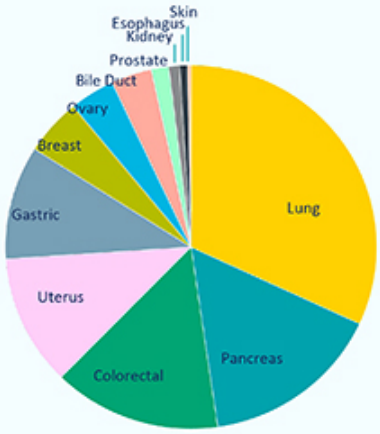
Triplet combo demonstrated complete responses in mice

IK-930 Combos Could Potentially Expand the KRASm Cancer Populations that Could Benefit from Targeted Therapies

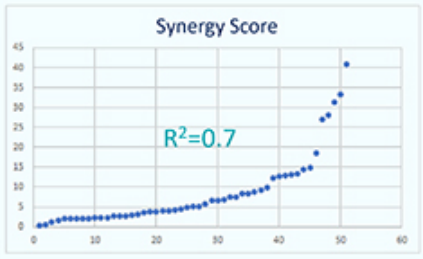
Combo Induced Apoptosis in KRASm CRC



Combination Synergy Across Multiple Tumor Types



Synergy Correlated with YAP1 Gene Expression



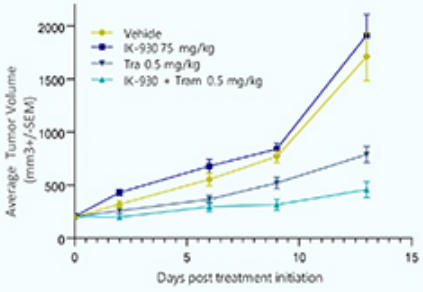
YAP1 Gene Expression

Cell lines showing synergy across multiple KRAS mutations, including G12C, G12V, G13D and others

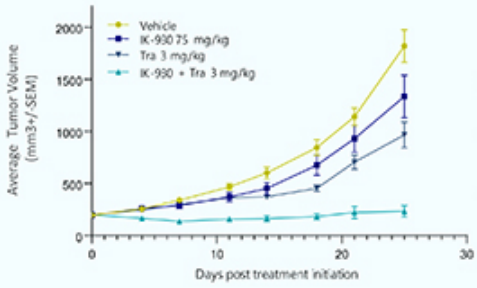
RAS Mutated Cancer Show Potential for IK-930 Combo Benefit Across Tumor Types

Potential for IK-930 combo benefit across tumor types

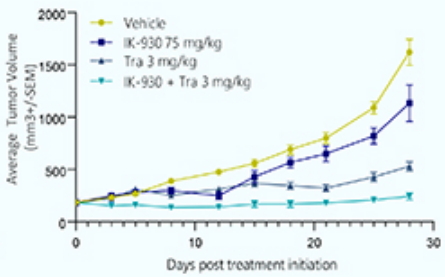
Impact Across Tumor Models for KRASm CRC and NSCLC



KRAS G13D CRC Model



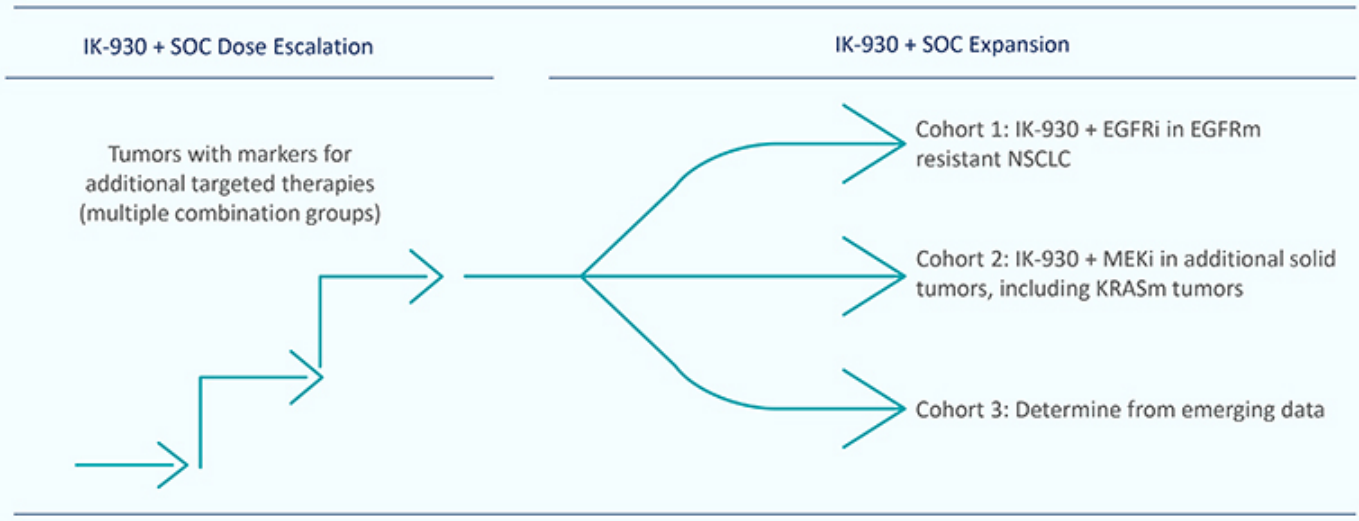
KRAS G12C NSCLC Model



KRAS G13D CRC Model

IK-930 Combinations with Other Targeted Therapies in First-in-Human Trial

Plans to explore multiple combinations to address therapeutic resistance



Targeting AHR to Counter Immunosuppressive TME

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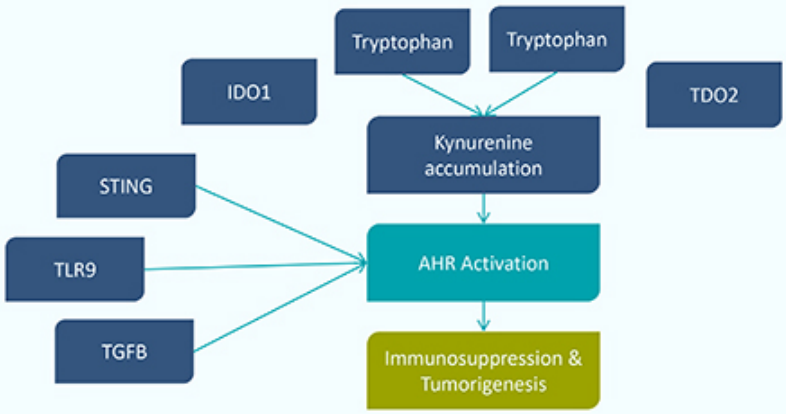
AHR's Role in Immune Signaling

Selecting indications that can potentially benefit with from AHR inhibition with IK-175

Aryl Hydrocarbon Receptor (AHR) Signaling



- Activated AHR prevents immune recognition of a range of cancers by modulating both innate and adaptive immunity
- AHR activity has been linked to activity in multiple cancer types, including:
  - Bladder cancers
  - Head & neck cancer
  - Melanoma
  - Ovarian
  - Acute myeloid leukemia
  - Malignant gliomas
  - Resistant prostate cancer

Identifying Bladder Cancer as Potential Patient Population to Benefit from IK-175

Novel assays to determine indications and prospectively select patients with nuclear-AHR

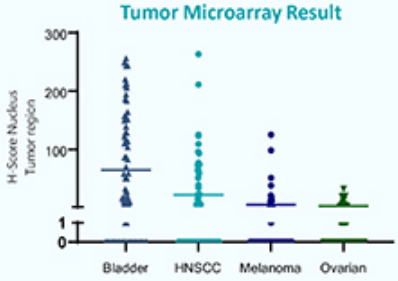
Novel Assays to Optimize Indication Selection

Proprietary transcriptional signature

Gene amplification

Proprietary IHC

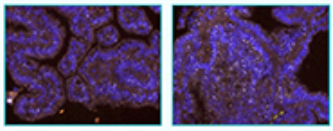
Tumor Microarray Result



AHR in Bladder Cancer & the Unrealized Unmet Need

- Poor prognosis of patients with bladder cancer is associated with a high AHR transcript profiling score
- Patient with metastatic diseases have a five-year survival rate of just 5%

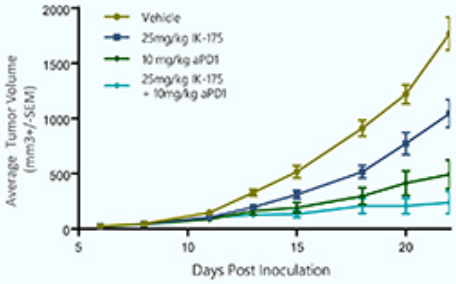
AHR transcripts in bladder cancer sample (white)



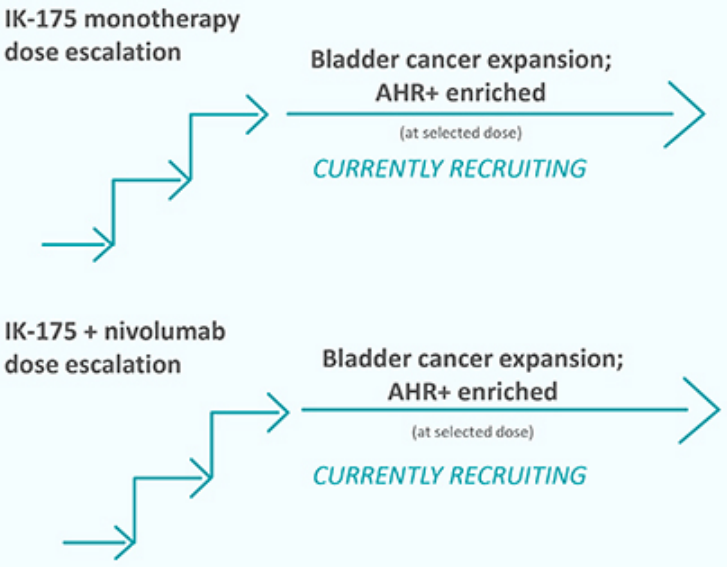
Pre-selecting patients with nuclear-AHR in ongoing clinical trial

IK-175 Preclinical Data Supports Clinical Trial Approach

IK-175 shows anti-tumor activity as a monotherapy and enhances impact in combination with anti-PD-1 in a murine model



IK-175 Ph1 Study Ongoing & Utilizing Novel Assay to Prospectively Select Patients



- Recently expanded bladder cancer monotherapy cohort and completed dose-escalation in the combination cohort
- No dose limiting toxicities, or DLTs, to date
- Maximum tolerated dose not observed to date
- AHR+ patient selection utilizing novel, Ikena-developed IHC assay


Integrated Targeted Oncology Strategy
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Pipeline of Biomarker-Defined Therapies Designed to Improve Patient Outcomes

Efficiently investing capital to advance programs with high-impact value-building potential

Program *Target*	Indications	Discovery	IND Enabling	Phase 1	Near-Term Milestones
IK-930 *TEAD*	Hippo-mutated cancers				Initiate clinical trial
Multiple RAS Pathway Targets; Including ERK5	RAS-mutated cancers				Nominate DC
IK-175 + Nivo *AHR* BMS	Bladder Cancer				Complete phase 1 enrollment Data presentation
	Additional Tumor Types				Initiate clinical trial
IK-412 *Kynurenine* BMS	Multiple Solid Tumors				Submit IND
IK-007 + Pembro *EP4*	MSS-CRC				Complete phase 1 enrollment Data presentation


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