

# Mechanisms Underlying Synergistic Activity of KT-413, a Targeted Degradator of IRAK4 and IMiD Substrates in Hematopoietic Cancers

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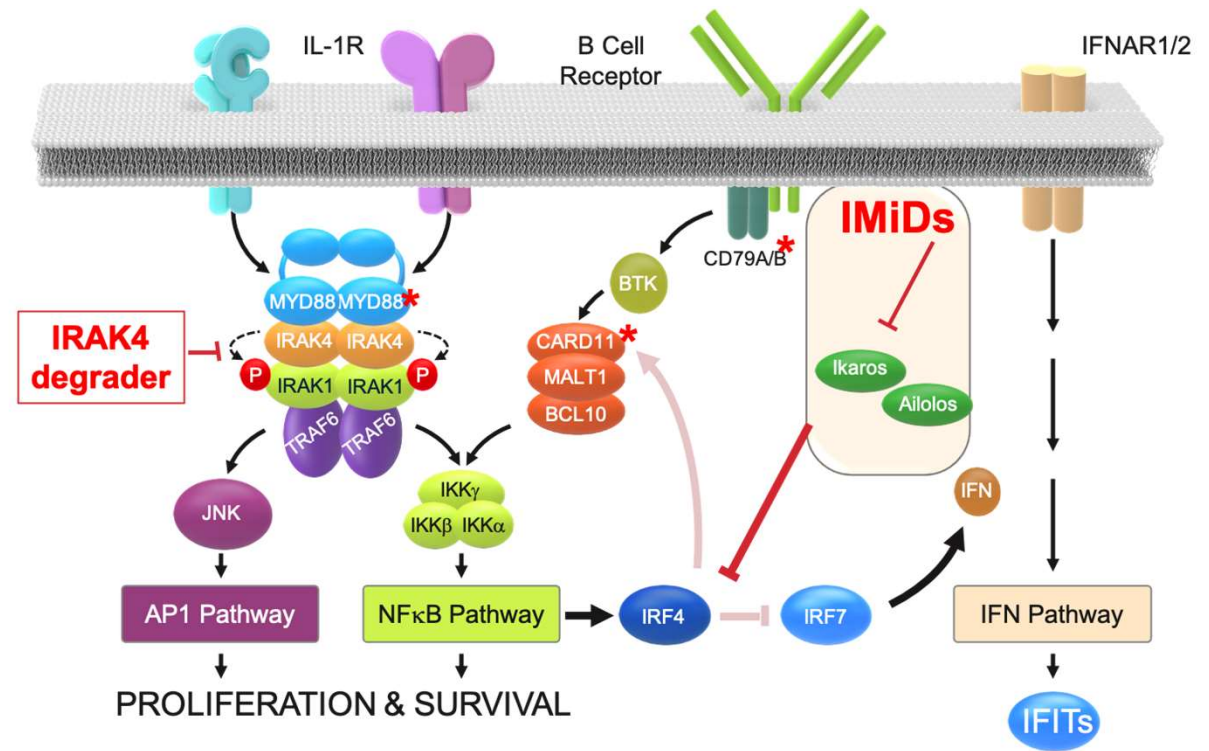
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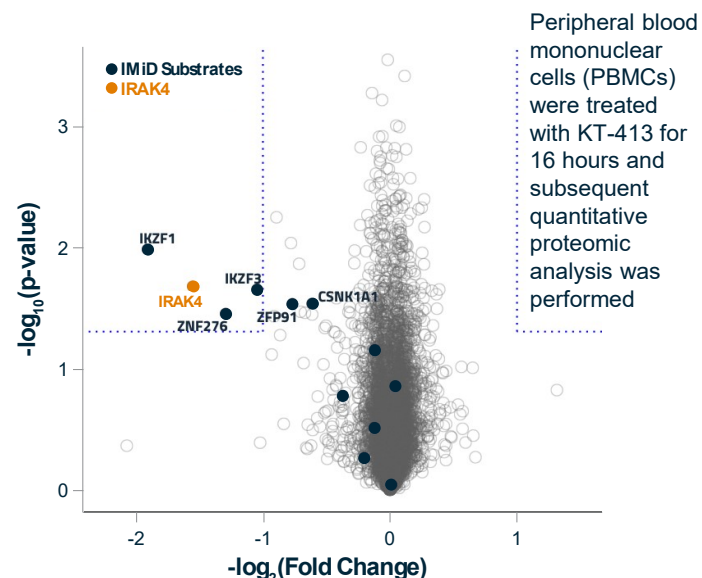
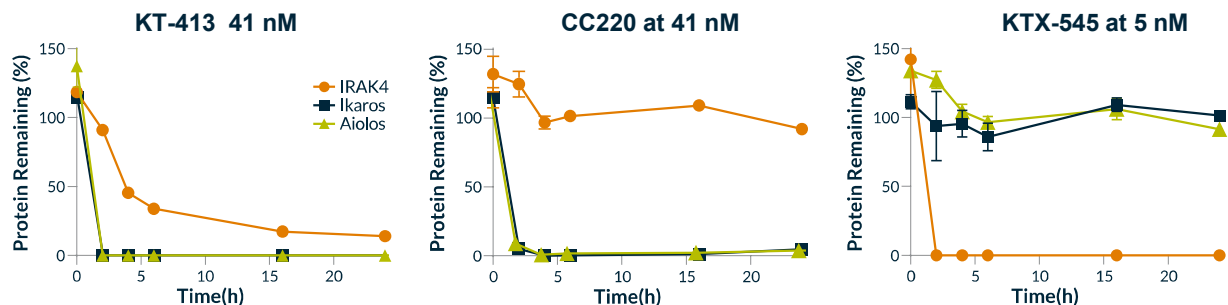
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# KT-413 Targets Redundant Pro-survival Pathways in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> DLBCL

- Alternative pathway activation of NF-κB and downregulation of cell death signals is common in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> lymphoma via activating mutations in CD79B and CARD11, TNFAIP3 loss, or IRF4 upregulation
- Inhibiting multiple pathways of NF-κB activation and survival signaling may be necessary to drive cell death in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> lymphomas



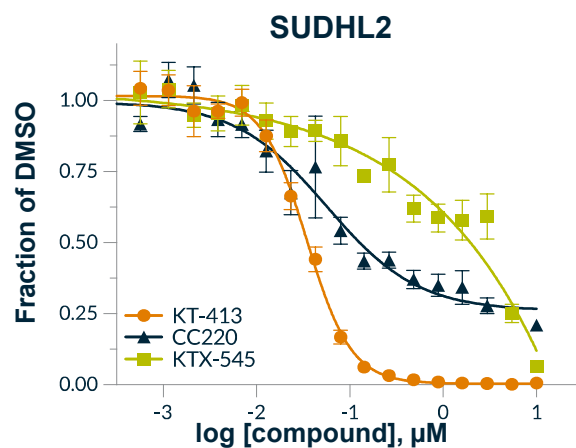
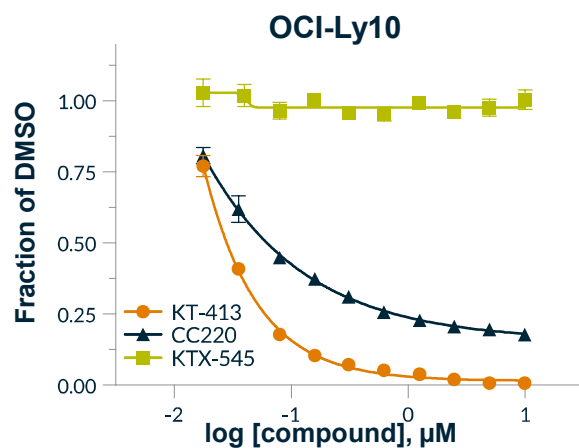
# KT-413 Selectively Degrades IRAK4 and IMiD Substrates



Compound	IRAK4 DC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	Ikaros DC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	Aiolos DC <sub>50</sub> (nM)
KT-413	6	2	2
CC220	-	1	1
KTX-545	1	-	-

- OCI-Ly10 cells were treated with KT-413, the IMiD CC-220, or the IRAK4-only degrader KTX-545 at [DC<sub>90</sub>]
- KT-413 selectively degrades both IRAK4 and IMiD substrates, while CC220 only degrades IMiD substrates and KTX-545 only degrades IRAK4
  - Both KT-413 and CC220 show rapid and equipotent degradation of IMiD substrates
  - KT-413 substrate degradation is hierarchical: IRAK4 degradation is slower than Ikaros and Aiolos

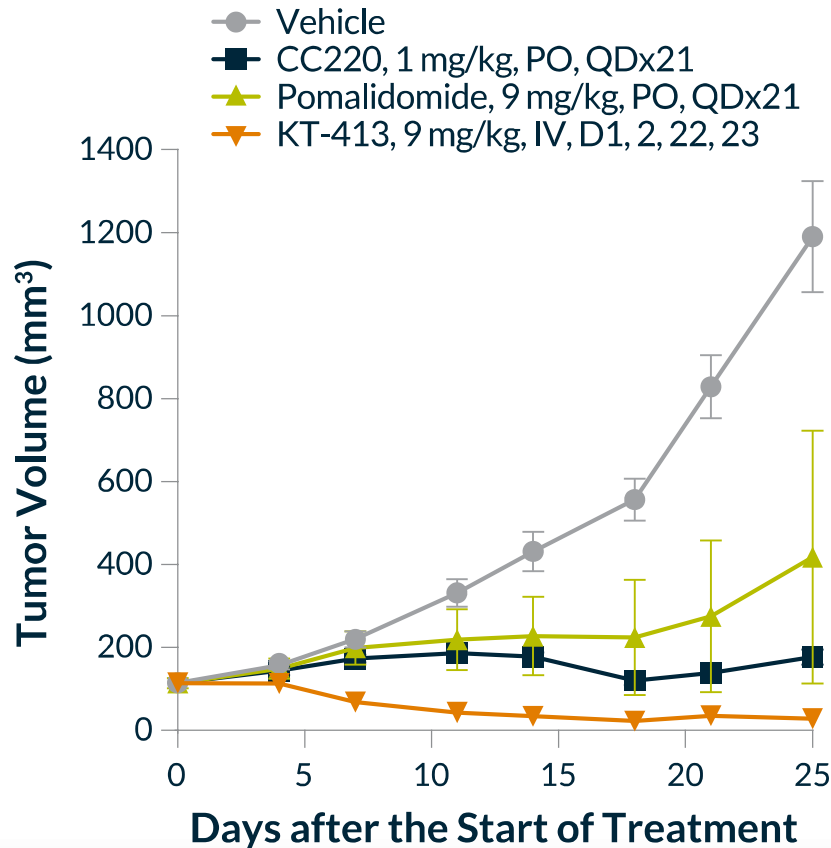
# KT-413 is Active in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> Lymphoma and Shows Greater Activity than either IRAK4-Selective Agents or IMiDs Alone



Compound	OCI-Ly10		SUDHL2	
	IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	CGI max (%)	IC <sub>50</sub> (nM)	CGI max (%)
KT-413	28	99.3	35	99.9
CC-220	62	83.2	128	79
KTX-545	--	5	1960	94

- We have previously disclosed that KT-413 shows strong and broad activity in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> cell lines
- KT-413 is more active in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> cells than CC220 and KTX-545, both in potency and in the maximal level of CGI achieved
  - In both cell lines KT-413 showed >98% maximal cell growth inhibition, whereas maximum cell growth inhibition by CC220 was <70% in both lines
  - As disclosed by Liu et al (ASH 2020), clinically active CA-4948 showed IC<sub>50</sub>>3 $\mu\text{M}$  in both lines
- IRAK4 and known IMiD substrates (Ikaros [IKZF1], Aiolos [IKZF3], ZNF276) were significantly and selectively degraded
- No other proteins showed substantial and significant degradation

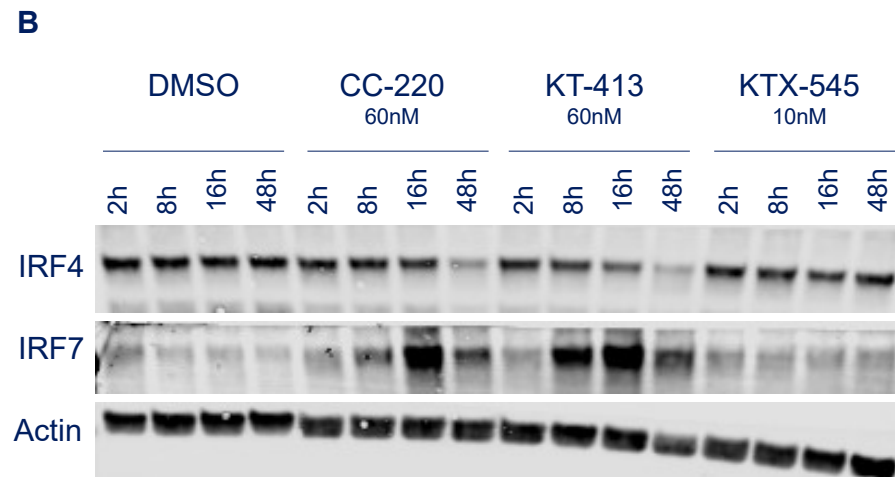
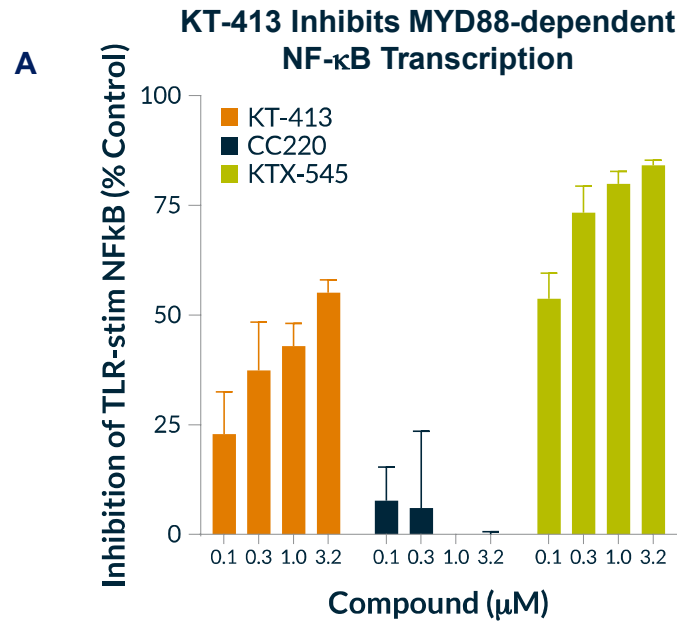
# KT-413 is More Efficacious than IMiDs *In Vivo*



- We have previously demonstrated that KT-413 is highly active with intermittent (QW, Q2W) dosing
- In the OCI-Ly10 MYD88<sup>MT</sup> xenograft model, KT-413 dosed at 9mg/kg on D1,2 every 3 weeks induced strong regressions
- The IMiDs pomalidomide or CC220 (dosed daily PO at exposures that approximate those achieved clinically), showed stasis/only slight regressions
  - The clinically active IRAK4 kinase inhibitor CA-4948 has been reported to cause tumor growth inhibition, but not regressions in this model\*

\* Poster presentation IWWM meeting 2018

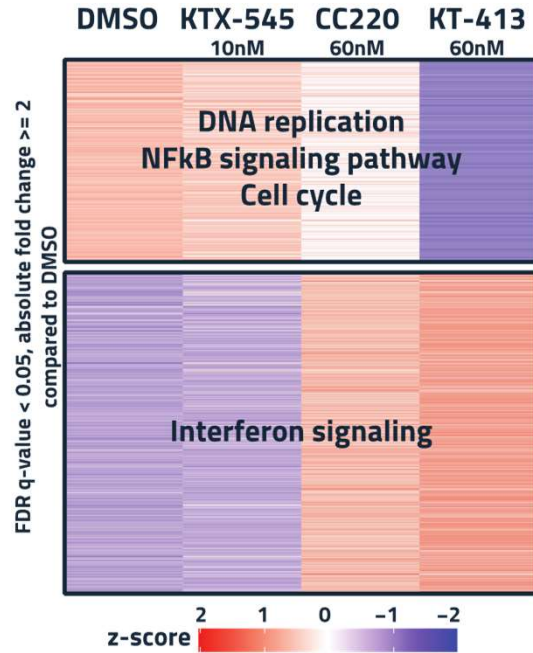
# KT-413 Uniquely Inhibits Both IRAK4 and IMiD Dependent Pathways Demonstrating the Dual-Targeting Activity of IRAKIMiDs



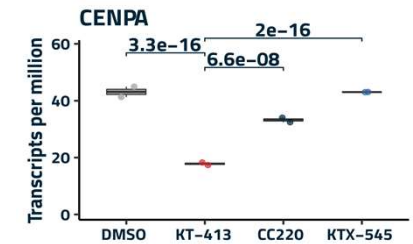
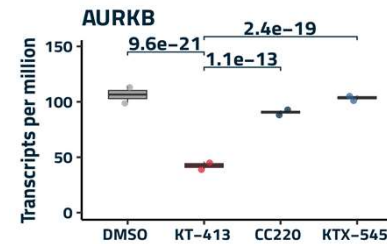
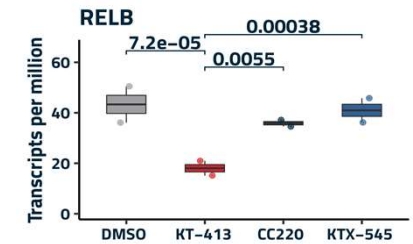
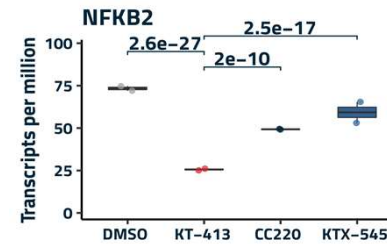
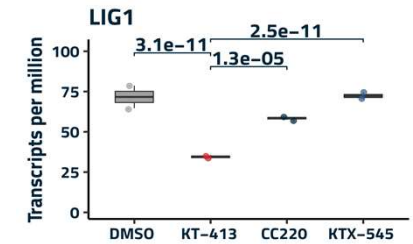
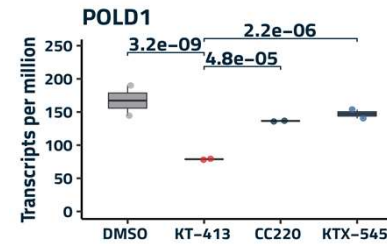
- A.** KT-413 and KTX-545, but not CC220 inhibited MYD88-dependent NF- $\kappa$ B transcription
- THP-1 Dual<sup>TM</sup> cells with a NF- $\kappa$ B reporter were pretreated with KT-413, CC220, and KTX-545 for 24h, then stimulated with LPS for 24 hours in the continued presence of the compounds
- B.** KT-413 and CC220, but not KTX-545 activate Type1 IFN signaling in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> OCI-Ly10 cells
- KT-413 and CC220 downregulate IRF4 and upregulate IRF7, consistent with activation of Type1 IFN signaling in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> Lymphomas



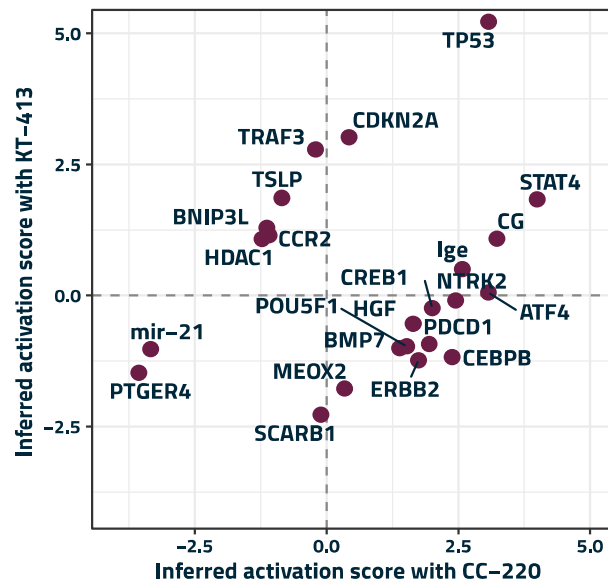
# KT-413 Preferentially Downregulates NF-kB, Cell Cycle and Upregulates Apoptosis Pathways Compared to IMiDs or IRAK4-Selective Degradation



Preferential downregulation of NF-kB and cell cycle pathways and upregulation of IFN signaling and apoptosis signals are consistent with greater and more potent KT-413 activity compared to IMiDs and IRAK4-selective targeting



# KT-413 Activates CDKN2A and BNIP3L, while CC220 Does Not



- Analysis of upstream pathways regulated by KT-413 (by Ingenuity IPA upstream regulator analysis) identified both pro-apoptotic and cell cycle regulation as exclusively activated by KT-413 as compared to CC220; these pathways are not observed as changed by KTX-545
  - The pro-apoptotic regulator BNIP3L and the anti-proliferative regulator CDKN2A exclusively activated by KT-413
  - p53 is activated more strongly by KT-413
- Additional pathways of interest, such as SCARB1, were also observed as differentially regulated by KT-413 and these are under further investigation

# Conclusions

- KT-413 is a potent, selective degrader of both IRAK4 and IMiD substrates in DLBCL cells
  - KT-413 is more potent with greater cell kill in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> cell lines compared to IMiDs or IRAK4 degradation or inhibition
  - KT-413 shows superior in vivo activity in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> lymphoma compared to IMiDs or IRAK4 only targeted agents
- Mechanistic studies show a distinct mechanism of action of KT-413 relative to either IMiDs or IRAK4-selective targeted agents that support its differentiated activity
  - KT-413 inhibits both MYD88-dependent NF-κB signaling and upregulates Type1 IFN pathways, consistent with the dual-targeting activity of this molecule
  - Global transcriptomics analysis showed preferential downregulation of NF-κB, DNA replication and cell cycle genes and activated apoptosis pathway signaling compared to the IMiD CC220 or IRAK4-selective degraders
- IND filing and initiation of Phase 1 studies in MYD88<sup>MT</sup> lymphoma followed by other indications are planned in 2H 2021