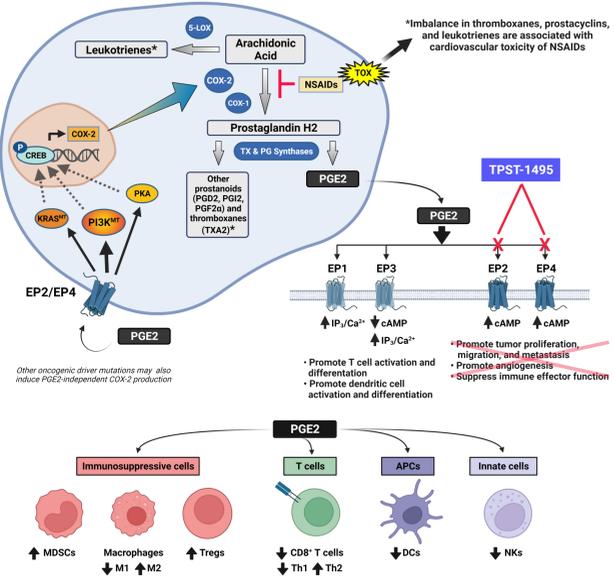


# Trial-in-Progress: A Phase 1 Study of TPST-1495 as a Single Agent and in Combination with Pembrolizumab in Subjects with Solid Tumors

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## PROSTAGLANDIN E2 (PGE2) SIGNALING



- PGE2 supports tumor progression through diverse tumor-specific and immune-mediated mechanisms<sup>1,2</sup>.
- Pro-tumor and immune suppressive signaling is mediated by EP2 and EP4 receptors, while EP1 and EP3 are generally immune stimulating.
- Targeting upstream COX enzymes for cancer therapy results in loss of beneficial receptor activity and is associated with cardiovascular toxicity due to alterations in related bioactive lipids.
- Activation of oncogenic driver genes such as PI3K and KRAS is associated with upregulation of COX-2 and PGE2 and may be a predictive biomarker for benefit from PGE2 inhibitors<sup>3</sup>.
- TPST-1495 is a highly specific and potent inhibitor of *only* the tumor-promoting EP2 and EP4 receptors and is being evaluated in a first-in-human Phase 1 clinical trial described here.

## TPST-1495-001 STUDY DESIGN (NCT04344795)

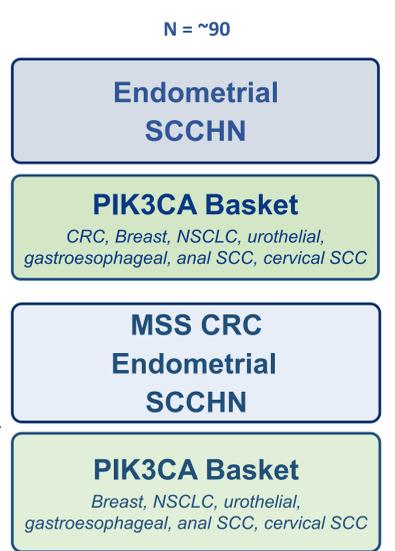
### Dose & Schedule Optimization Modified 3+3 Design

N = up to ~75

**MONOTHERAPY**  
Multiple dose levels  
BID vs QD administration  
D1-5 Q7D versus QD dosing

Enrolling

### Dose Expansion Cohorts



**PEMBROLIZUMAB COMBINATION**  
Multiple dose levels  
QD administration  
D1-5 Q7D versus QD dosing

Enrolling

PIK3CA: 100% of basket cohort and 40% of each disease specific expansion will have documented pathogenic PIK3CA mutation

PAIRED BIOPSIES: 30% of each expansion cohort will have paired biopsy for PD evaluation

**Study Objectives**

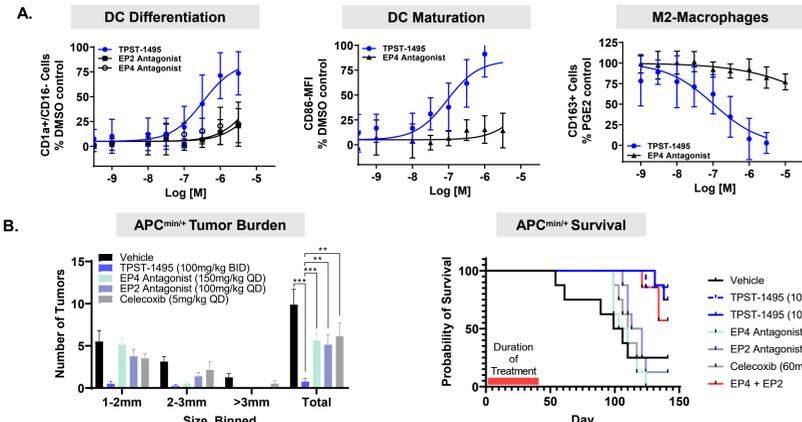
1°: Safety, tolerability, determine MTD and/or RP2D and schedule

2°: Evaluate anti-tumor activity, PK

Exploratory: PD; immunomodulatory effects in blood, tumor

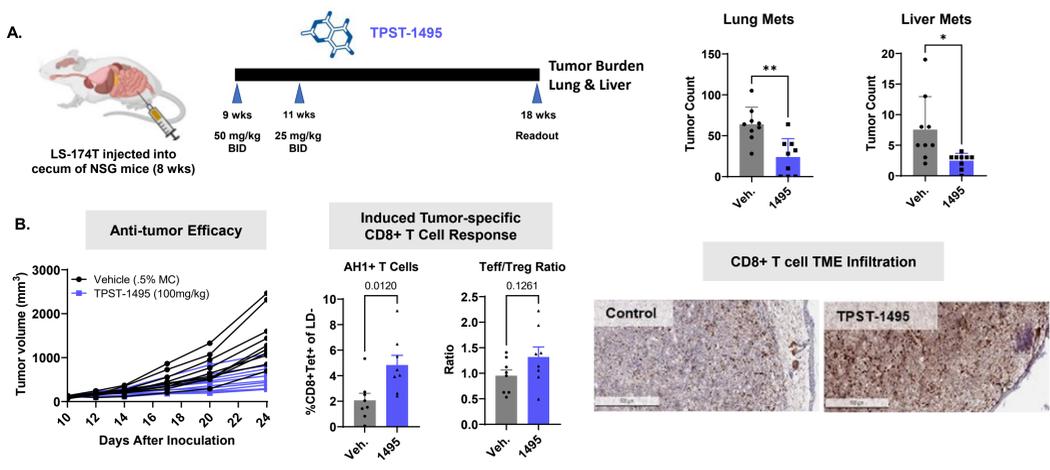
## OPTIMAL ACTIVITY WITH DUAL EP2/EP4 ANTAGONISM

Figure 2. In vitro and in vivo comparison of dual EP2/4 inhibition by TPST-1495 versus single EP2 or EP4 receptor inhibition. (A) Activity in primary human monocytes cultured with GM-CSF + IL4 + PGE2 + EP receptor antagonist. (B) Activity in APC<sup>min/+</sup> model.



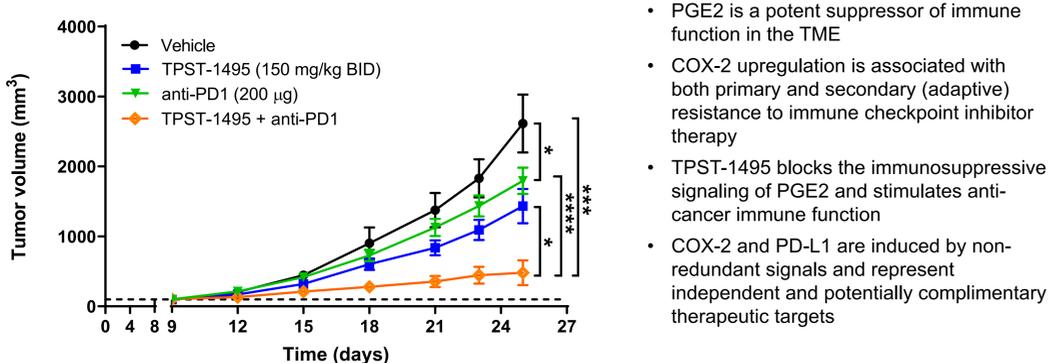
## ANTI-TUMOR ACTIVITY IS BOTH DIRECT AND IMMUNE-MEDIATED

Figure 3. Direct inhibition of tumor cell growth (A) and immunomodulatory activity (B) mediated by TPST-1495. (A) Activity in NSG mice bearing orthotopic LS-174T human tumor cells. (B) Treatment of CT26 Balb/c mice bearing 100 mm3 established tumors.



## RATIONALE FOR COMBINATION WITH CHECKPOINT INHIBITOR

Figure 4. Synergistic efficacy with TPST-1495 and anti-PD1 combination



- PGE2 is a potent suppressor of immune function in the TME
- COX-2 upregulation is associated with both primary and secondary (adaptive) resistance to immune checkpoint inhibitor therapy
- TPST-1495 blocks the immunosuppressive signaling of PGE2 and stimulates anti-cancer immune function
- COX-2 and PD-L1 are induced by non-redundant signals and represent independent and potentially complementary therapeutic targets

## KEY GENERAL ELIGIBILITY

- Inclusion**
- Metastatic or unresectable cancer with no remaining standard therapy known to confer clinical benefit
  - Measurable disease per RECIST v1.1
  - ECOG PS 0 or 1
- Exclusion**
- Intolerance to NSAIDs (including bleeding/ulcer)
  - On anticoagulation therapy or considered to be at increased risk of bleeding
  - If prior exposure to checkpoint inhibitor therapy (CPI), must not have
    - Permanently discontinued CPI due to irAE
    - Any unresolved irAE > G1 with prior CPI
    - Use of immunosuppression other than corticosteroids for AE management, AE recurrence if re-challenged, requirement of maintenance doses of >10 mg prednisone or equivalent per day

## DISEASE-SPECIFIC I/E

- Endometrial – Inclusion/Exclusion**
- ≥2 prior lines of therapy (adv/met), including a platinum-based regimen unless contraindicated
  - If MSI-H/dMMR or TMB high disease, must have received anti-PD-1/L1 therapy
  - Uterine sarcoma and carcinosarcoma
- SCCHN – Inclusion/Exclusion**
- ≥1 prior line of therapy (adv/met), and must have received platinum-based therapy and anti-PD-1/L1 therapy (alone or together) unless contraindicated or intolerant
  - Nasopharyngeal carcinoma and non-squamous histology
- CRC – Inclusion/Exclusion**
- ≥2 prior lines of systemic therapy
  - Confirmed MSS status (combination cohort only)
  - Neuroendocrine histology
- NOTE: Full eligibility criteria provided in protocol

## SUMMARY

- Prostaglandin E2 stimulates tumor cell growth and suppresses anti-cancer immunity through the EP2 and EP4 receptors
- TPST-1495 is a first-in-class, potent and selective, dual antagonist of EP2 and EP4 which does not inhibit the immune stimulating EP1 and EP3 receptors
- TPST-1495 has immune independent and immune dependent anti-tumor activity in preclinical models and overcomes PGE2-mediated immune suppression more effectively than single antagonists of either EP2 or EP4, or the COX-2 inhibitor celecoxib
- Enrollment is ongoing in the first-in-human TPST-1495-001 Phase 1 clinical study to determine the optimal dose and schedule of administration, safety profile, pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamic and immunomodulatory activity, and to evaluate anti-tumor activity of TPST-1495 as monotherapy and in combination with pembrolizumab
- Expansion cohorts are planned at the RP2D in key tumor indications and in a biomarker-selected cohort supported by PGE2 biology and medical literature, including MSS CRC, SCCHN, Endometrial cancer, and PIK3CA-mutated tumors.

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