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The Discovery and Characterization of CFT7455: A Potent and Selective Degradator of IKZF1/3 for the Treatment of Relapsed/Refractory Multiple Myeloma

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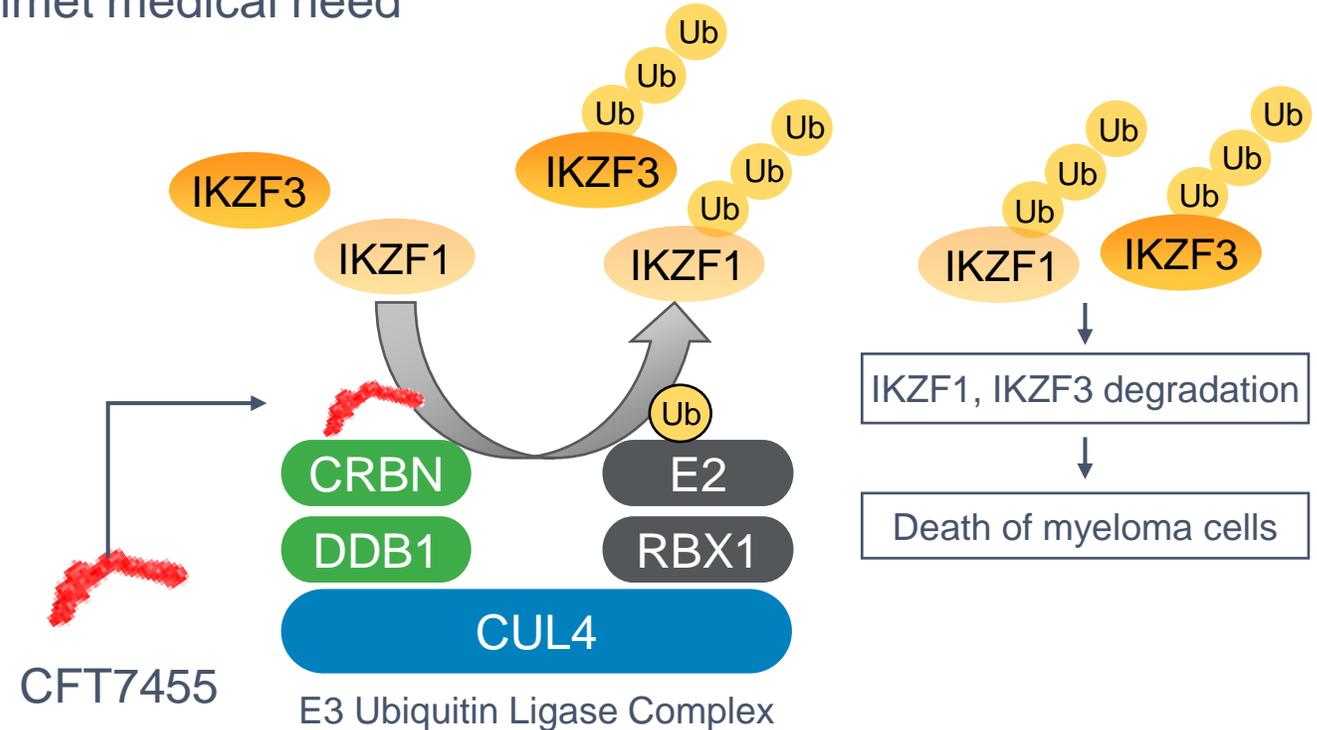
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CFT7455: Potent Small Molecule IKZF1/3 Degradator with Enhanced Catalytic & Pharmacologic Properties

- IKZF1/3 are transcription factors required for cancer cell growth and survival in multiple myeloma (MM)
- IKZF1/3 degrading IMiDs are widely used in MM treatment (lenalidomide, pomalidomide)
- Relapsed/refractory MM remains a high unmet medical need

Goal: Develop an IKZF1/3 Monofunctional Degradation Activating Compound (MonoDAC) with these properties:

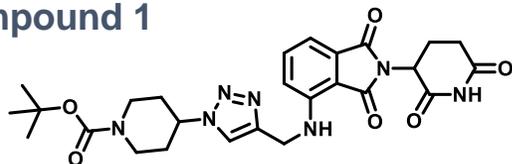
- Class-leading catalytic activity to enable potent, rapid, and deep target degradation
- High binding affinity to overcome IMiD resistance
- Selective to reduce off-target liabilities
- Pharmacologic profile that enables sustained IKZF1/3 degradation



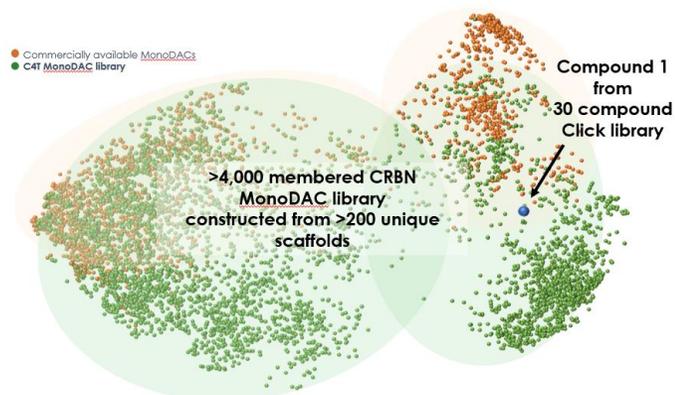
IKZF1/3 Degradator Lead Derived from MonoDAC Library Hit

Potent Hit from MonoDAC Library

Compound 1

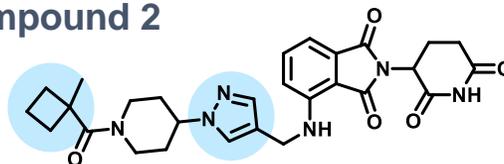


IKZF1 DC₅₀, E_{max} @ 6 hr = 16 nM, 16%
(HiBiT H929)

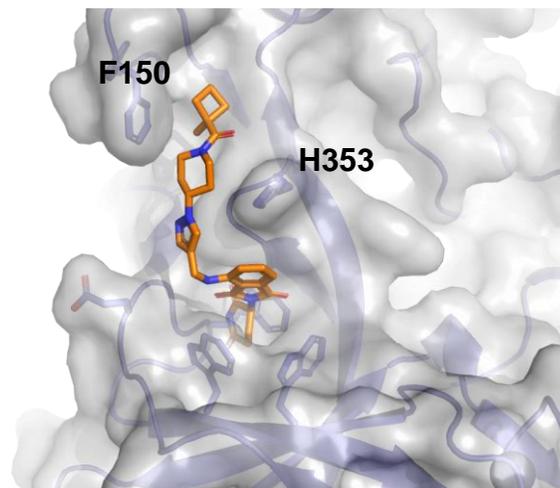


Improvement Using SBDD

Compound 2

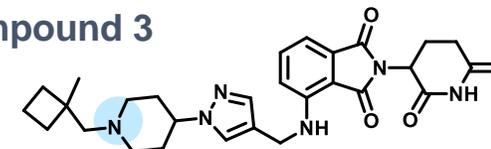


6 hr = 1 nM, 13%



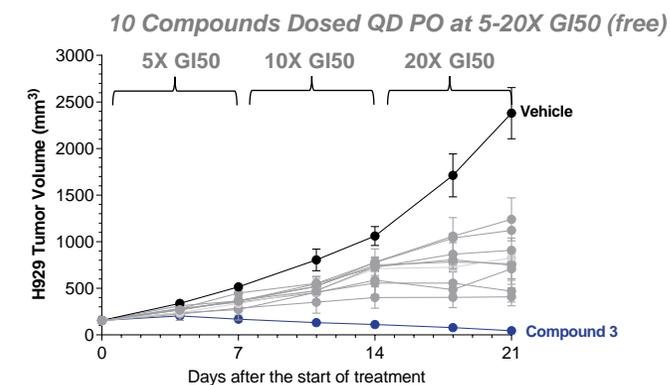
PK & In Vivo Screening

Compound 3



6 hr = 0.6 nM, 12% Goal >10x Increase
1.5 hr = 4.2 nM, 25%

Screening Efficacy in H929 Xenografts

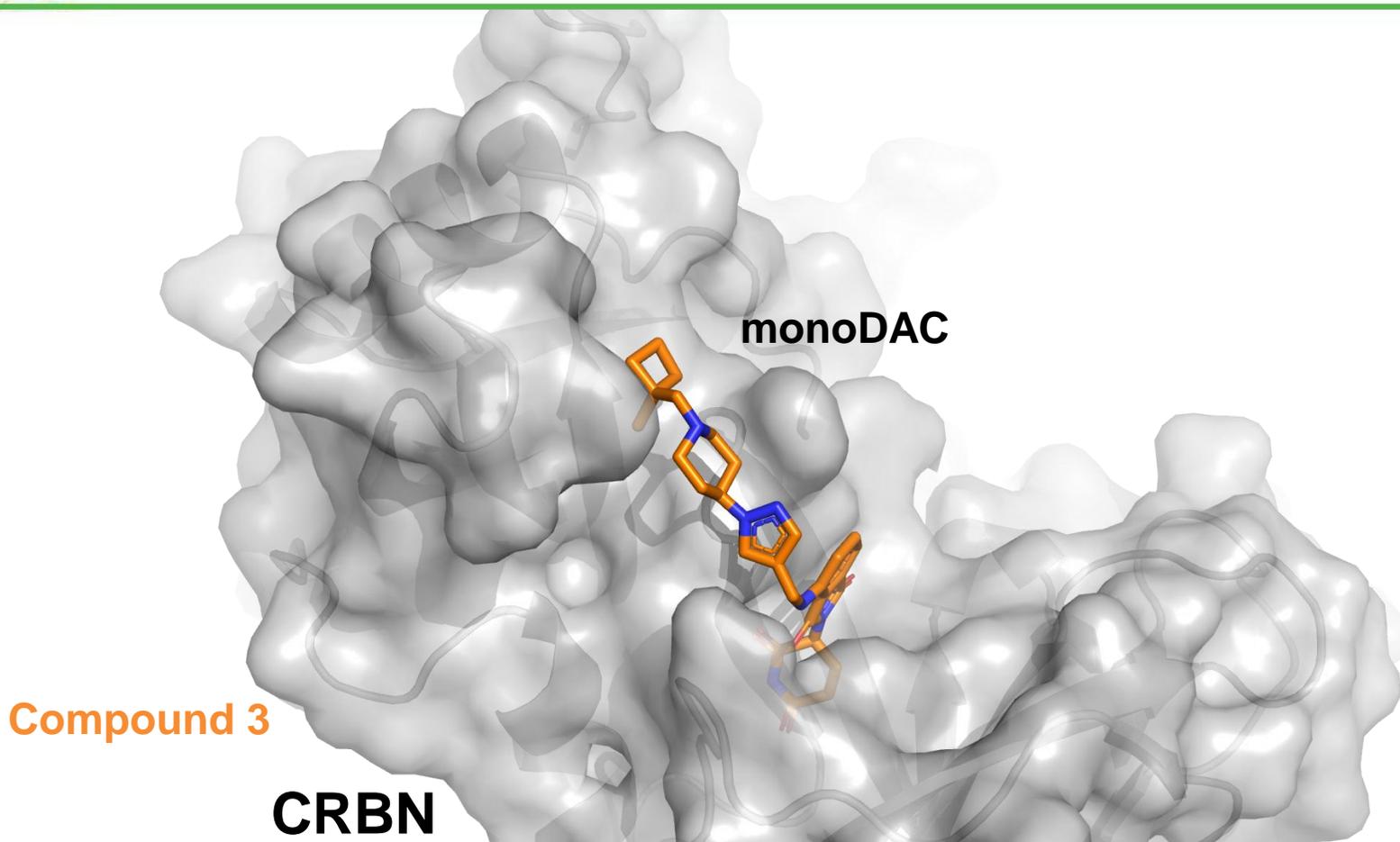


Need for Speed: Structural Biology Highlights Areas for Chemistry Exploration

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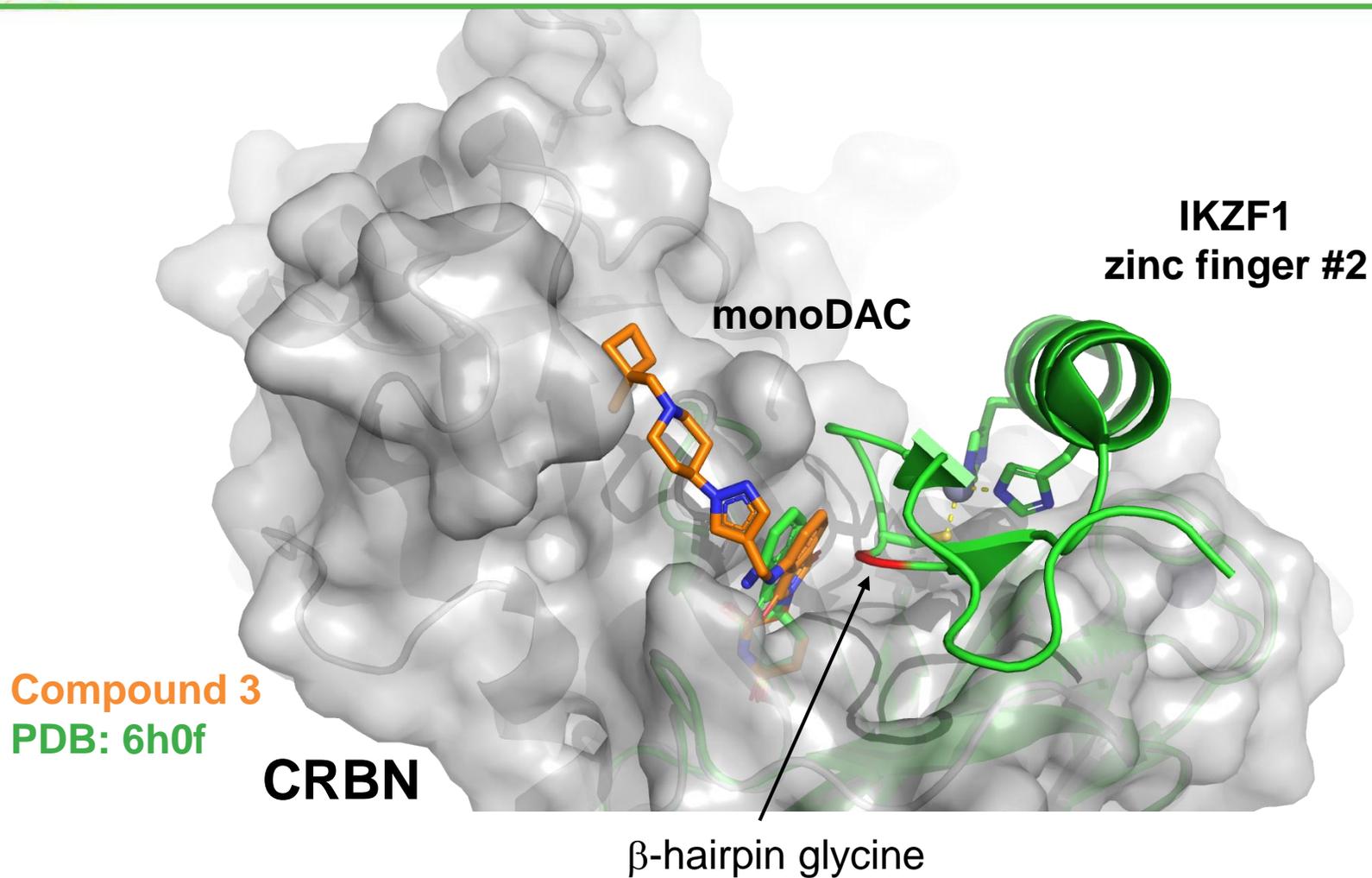
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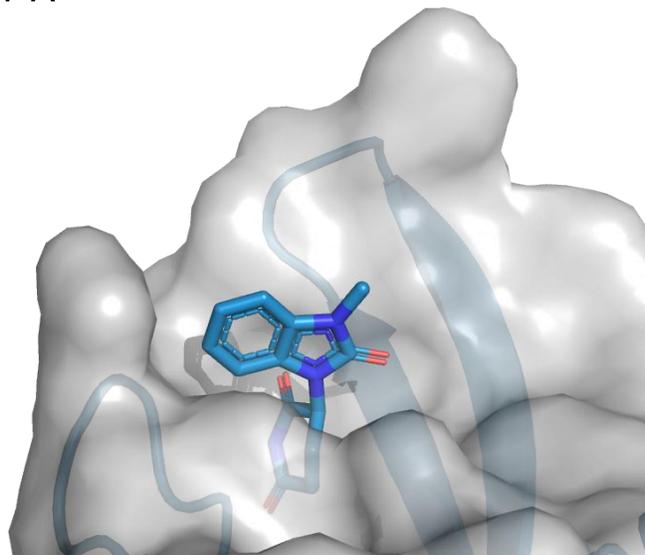


- The monoDAC degrader binds to CRBN and modulates the surface to accommodate an interaction with neosubstrate
- The second zinc finger of IKZF1 lands on top of the CRBN-monoDAC degrader complex
- The β -hairpin glycine interaction with the monoDAC is critical for IKZF1/3 degradation

CRBN X-Ray Structures Inspire the Design of the Tricyclic Core

Benzoimidazolone

C4T unpublished
1.17 Å

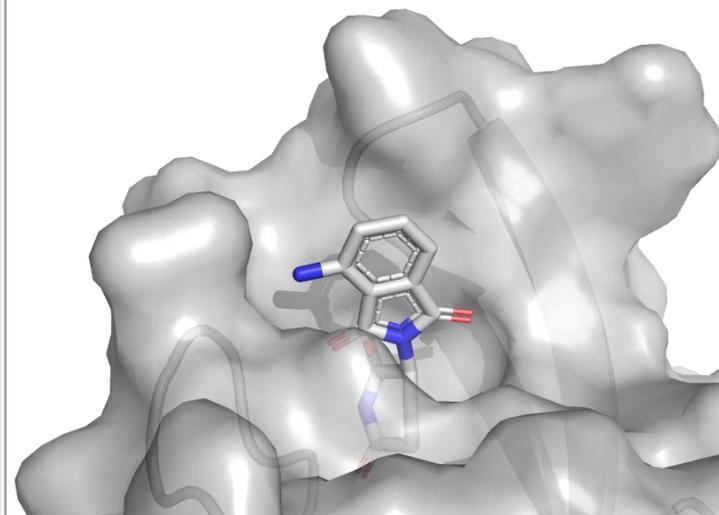


Compound 4
CRBN FP $K_D = 830$ nM



Pomalidomide

PDB 6h0f



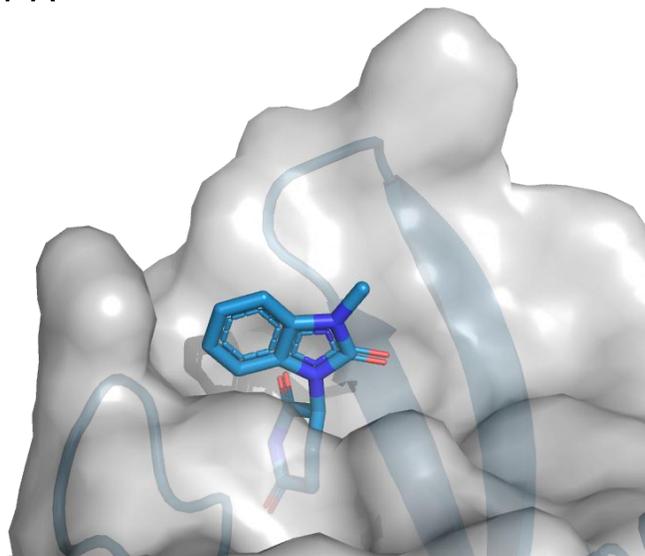
Pomalidomide
 $K_D = 1600$ nM



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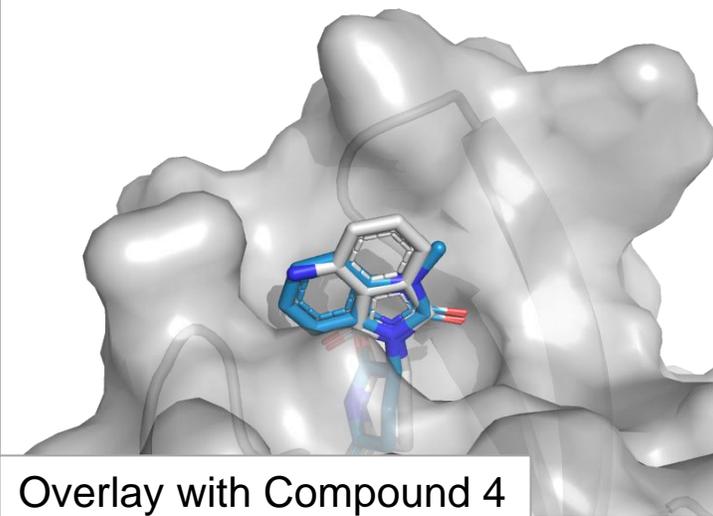


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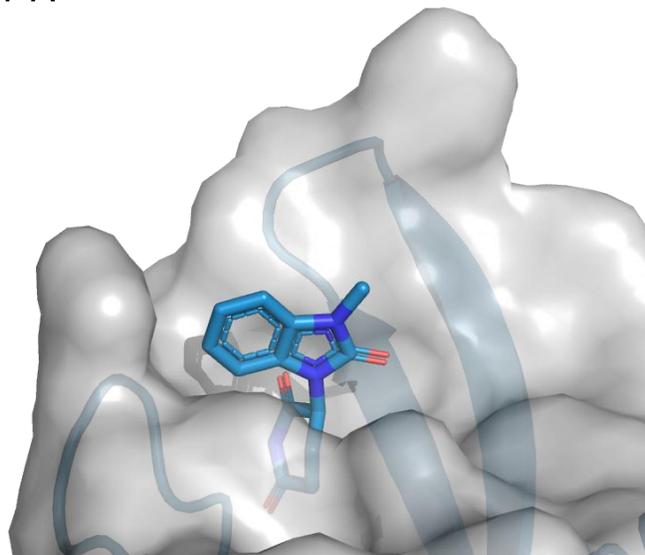
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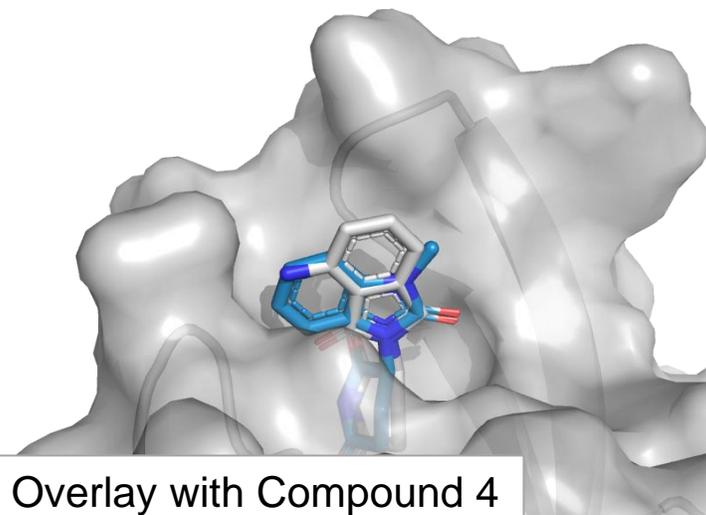


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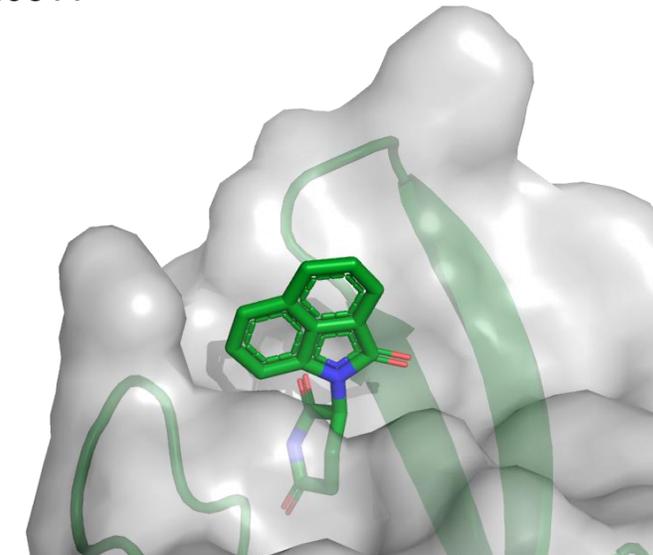
Overlay with Compound 4

Pomalidomide
 $K_D = 1600$ nM



Benzoisindolinone

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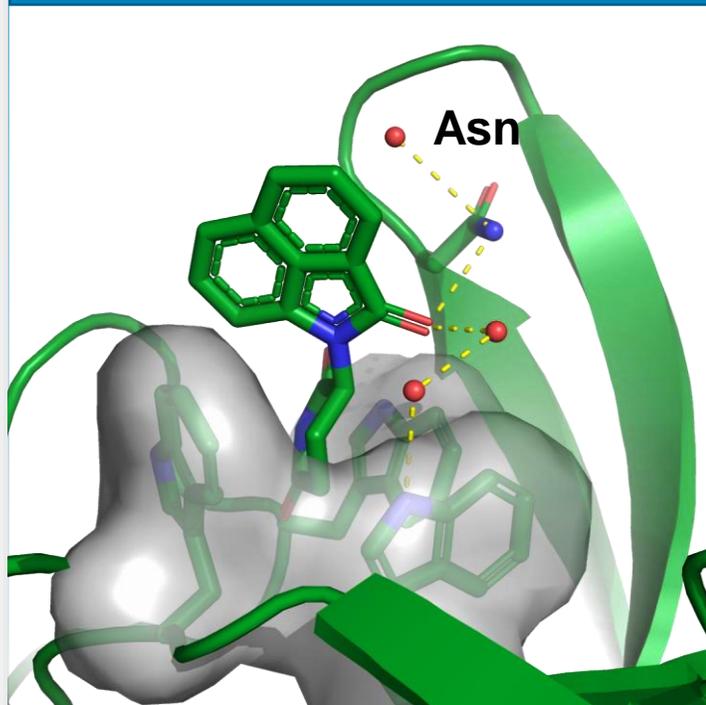
Compound 5
 $K_D = 34$ nM



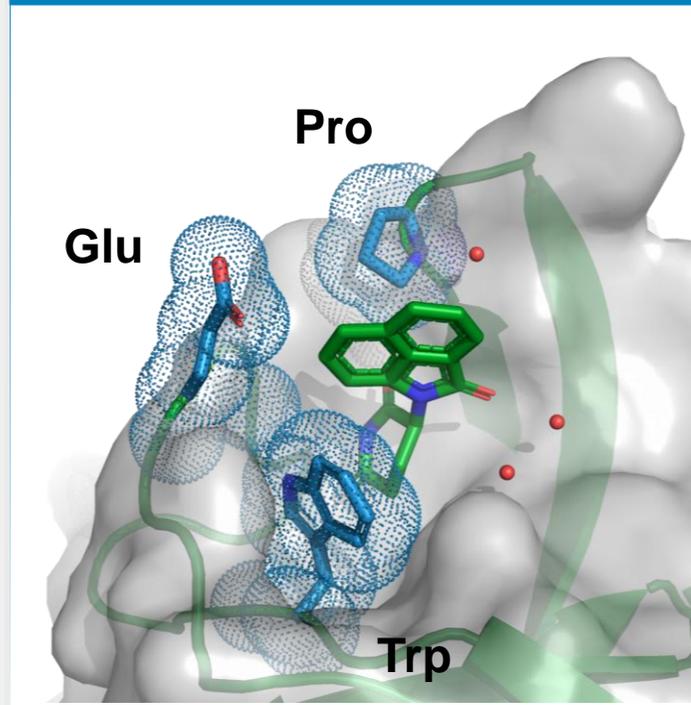
50-fold
affinity
increase

Exploring CRBN Interactions with the Potent Tricyclic Core

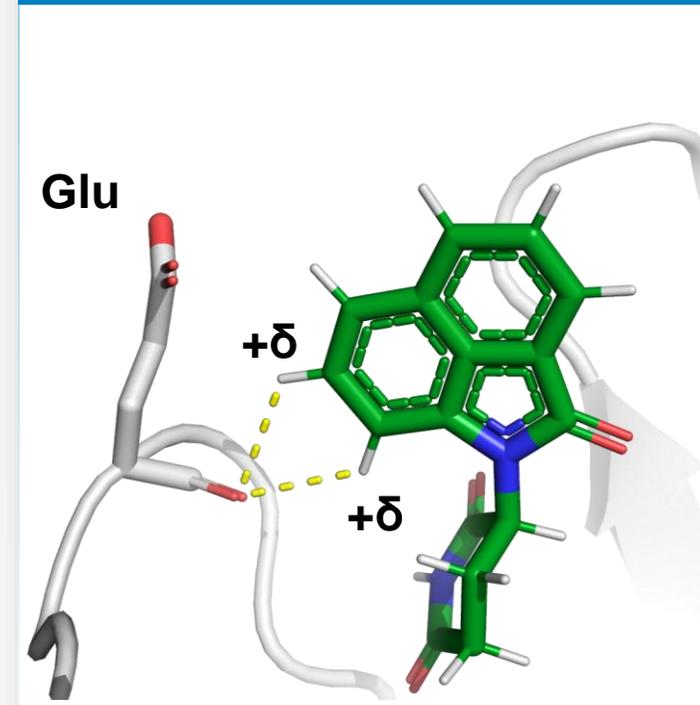
Tri-Trp Pocket Interactions



Increased Hydrophobic Contacts with CRBN

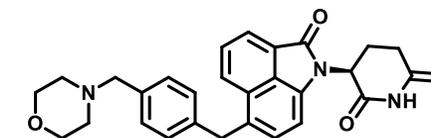
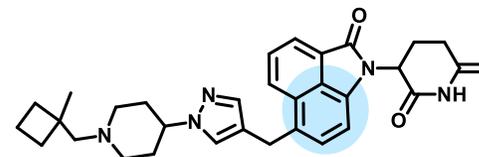
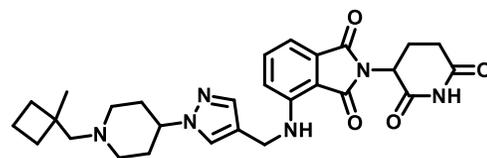


+ δ Aromatic C-H Interactions with Backbone Carbonyl



From First Generation Lead to CFT7455

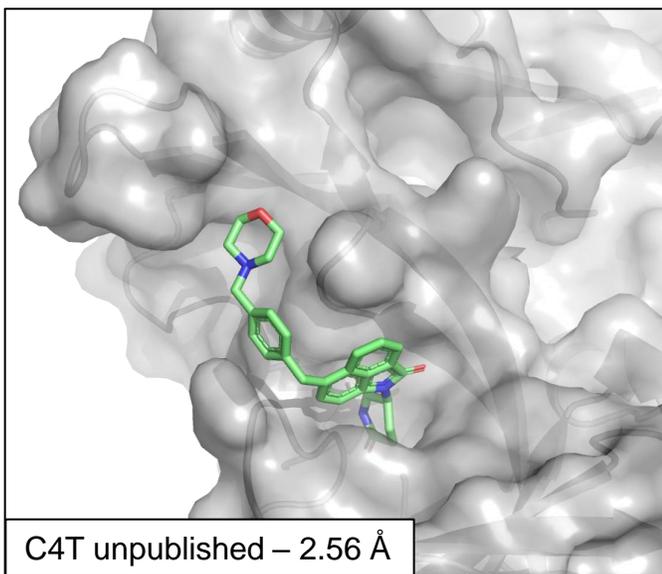
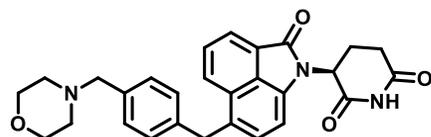
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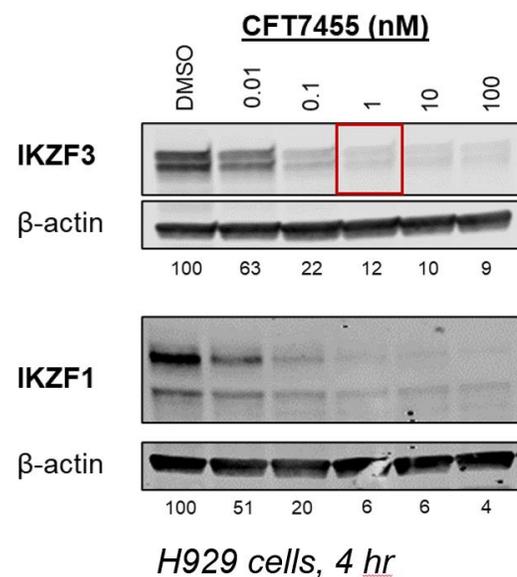
	Compound 3	Compound 6	CFT7455
CRBN IC ₅₀ (293T NanoBRET)	9 nM	0.3 nM	0.4 nM
IKZF1 DC ₅₀ , E _{max} (1.5 hr) H929 HiBiT	4.2 nM, 25%	0.3 nM, 22%	0.17 nM, 20%
H929 IC ₅₀ (96 hr)	2.3 nM	0.009 nM	0.07 nM
PPB mouse/human (% bound)	94.3 / 96.2	97.2 / 98.6	93.4 / 94.6
Mouse Vd _{ss} , T1/2, %F	6.2 L/kg, 1.7 h, 9%	2.9 L/kg, 1.3 h, 23%	5.6 L/kg, 2.0 h, 48%

CFT7455: Potent, Rapid and Selective Degradation of IKZF1/3

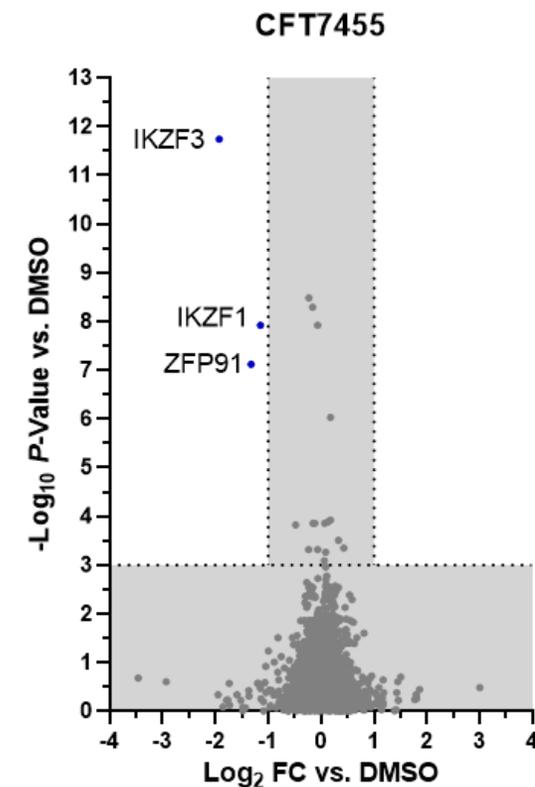
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IKZF1/3 Degradation, H929 (4 hr)

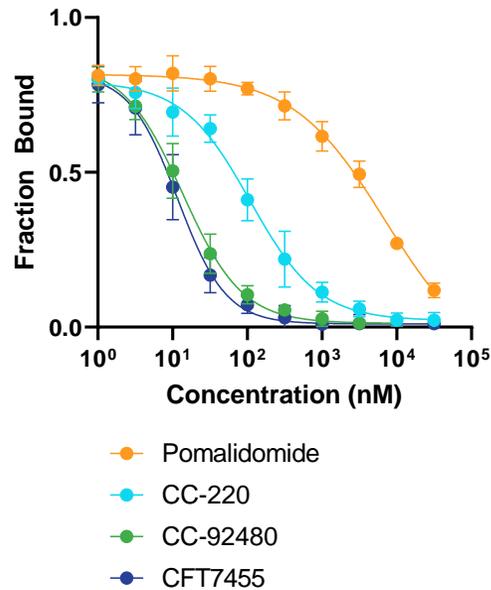


GPE in RPMI-8226, 10 nM (4 hr)

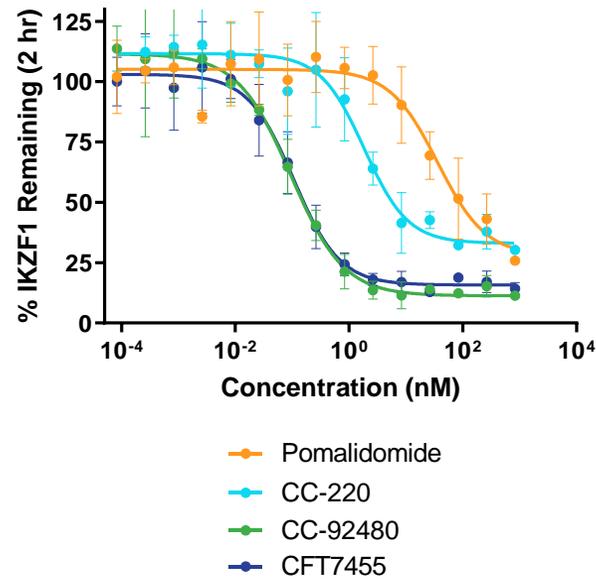


High Catalytic Activity of CFT7455 Improves Anti-Cancer Activity in H929 MM Cells

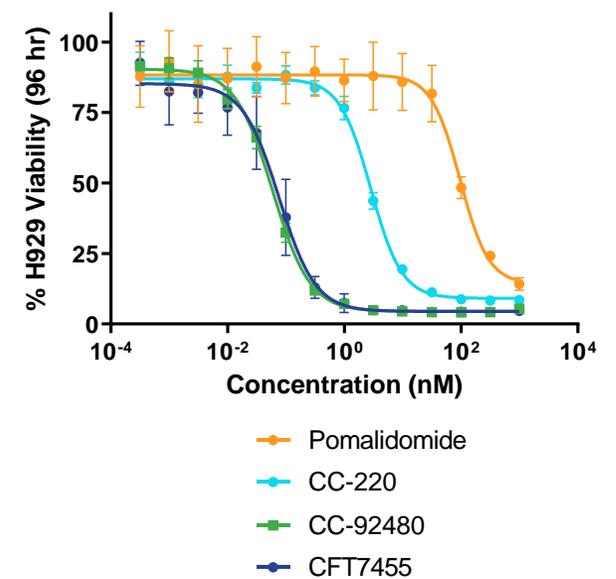
Binding Affinity (FP)



Degradation Potency



MM Cell Viability

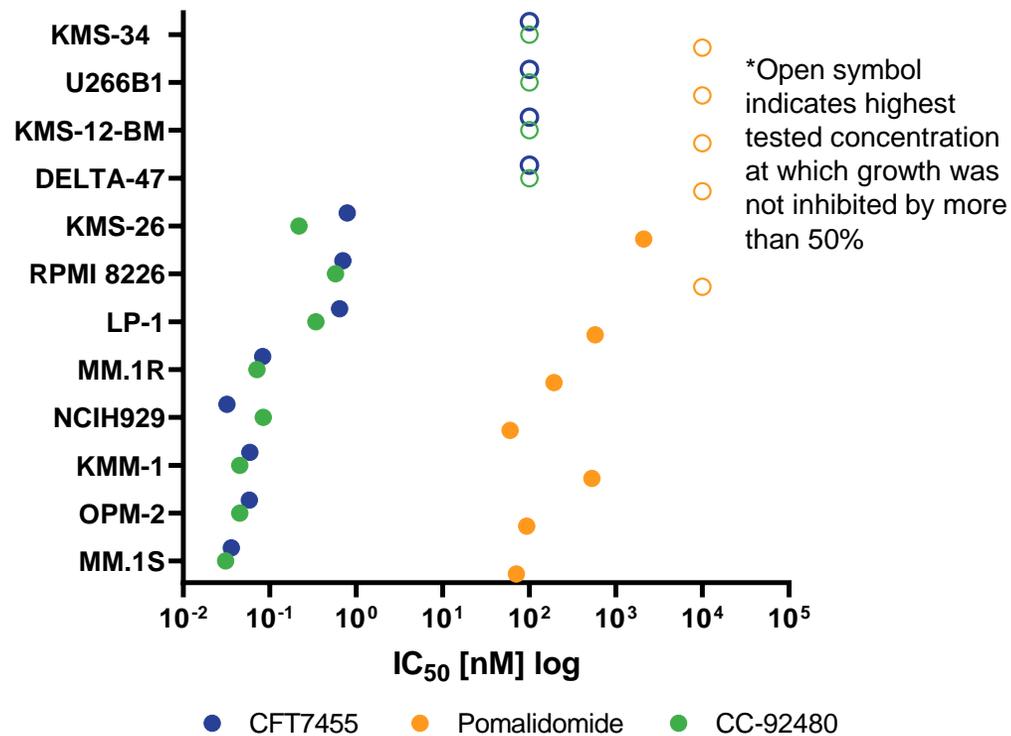


Catalytic activity enhancement resulted in >1000-fold improvement in potency vs. Pom*

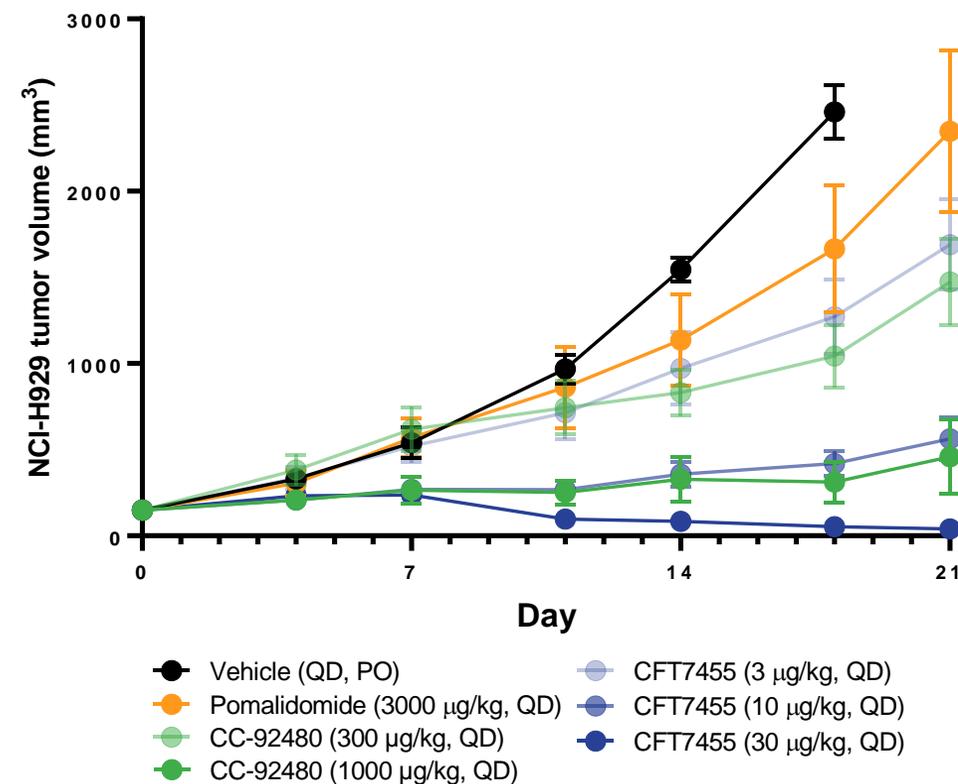
*POM is an approved IKZF1/3 degrader while CC-220, CC-92480 and CFT7455 are all investigational compounds. Hansen JD, et al. *J Med Chem.* 2020;63(13):6648-6676. Matyskiela ME, et al. *J Med Chem.* 2018;61(2):535-542. IKZF1, Ikaros family zinc finger protein 1; MM, multiple myeloma; FP, fluorescence polarization. C4 Therapeutics data on file.

CFT7455 Demonstrates High Potency in MM Cell Lines and Xenografts

CFT7455 Has Broad Antiproliferative Activity



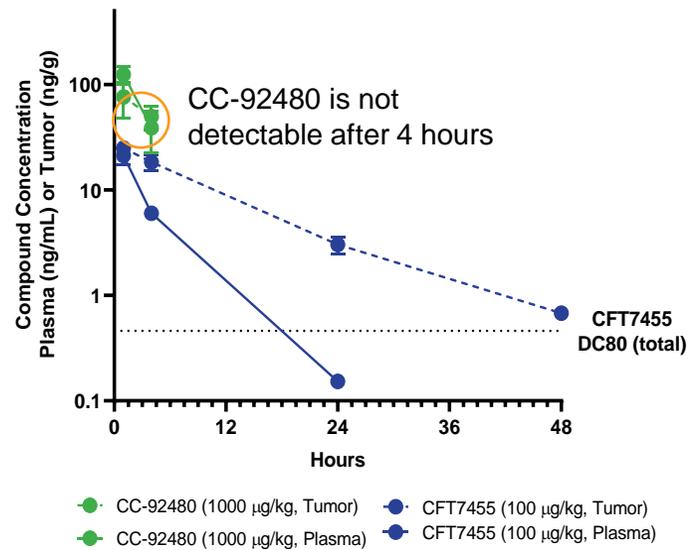
CFT7455 Promotes Durable Tumor Regression



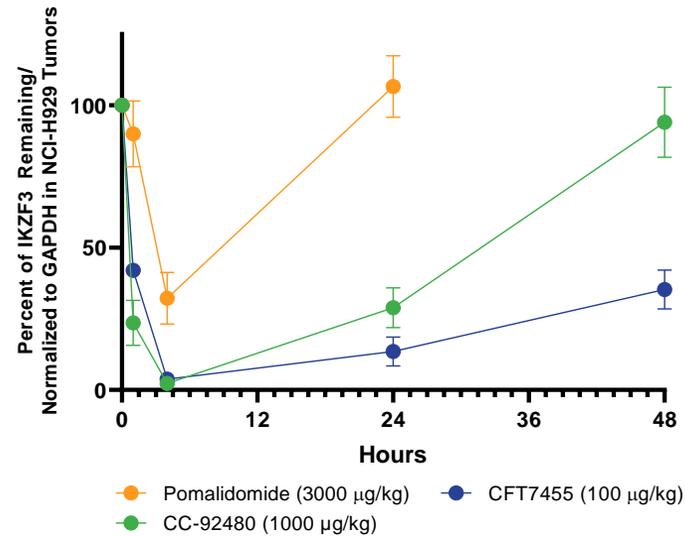
MM, multiple myeloma, QD, once daily.
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CFT7455 Efficacy Attributed to Durable Tumor PK and IKZF3 PD in NCI-H929 MM Model

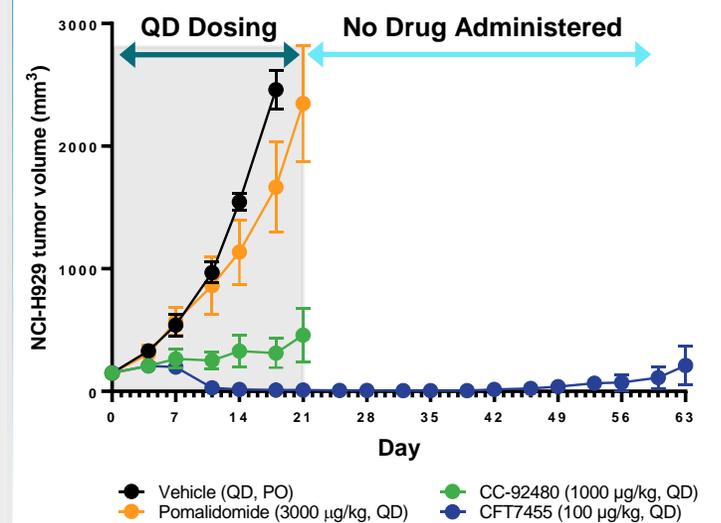
Linear, Durable Tumor PK



48 hr Degradation Kinetics



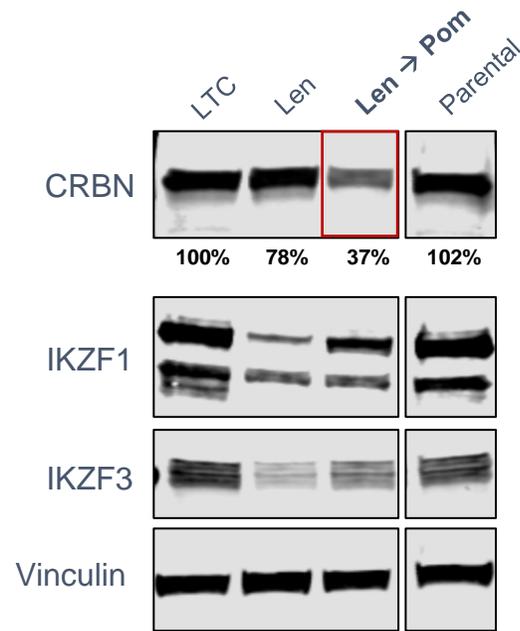
IKZF3 PD Associated with Efficacy



CFT7455 displays linear and durable tumor PK translating into deep IKZF3 degradation and regression in MM xenograft models

CFT7455 is Efficacious in MM Models Resistant or Insensitive to IMiDs

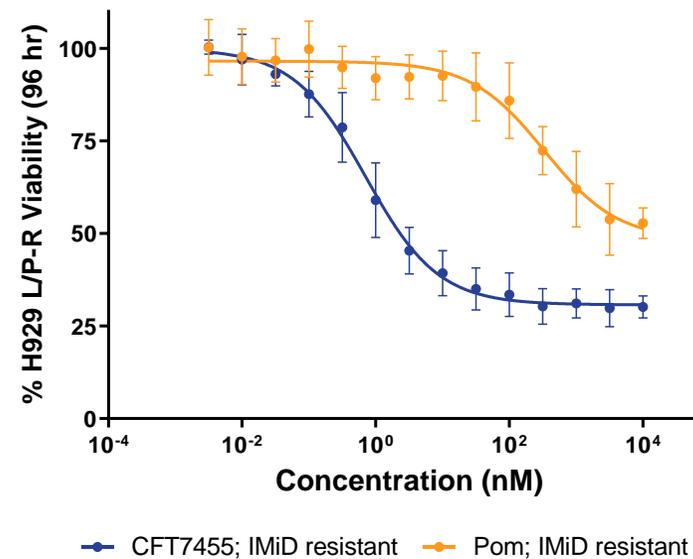
Reduction in CRBN Expression with Chronic IMiD Dosing



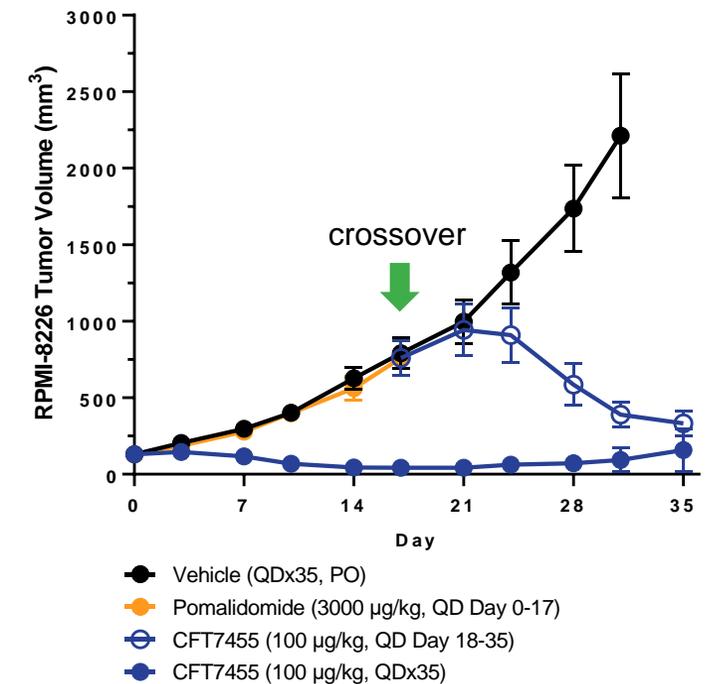
LTC = longterm culture in DMSO
Parental = original, naïve H929 cells

Len, lenalidomide; L/P-R, Len/Pom-Resistant

CFT7455 Retains Activity in Len- & Pom-Resistant MM Cells



CFT7455 Promotes Regression in Tumors Insensitive to Pom



Summary



- Discovery efforts were aimed at identifying an IKZF1/3 degrader with class-leading activity
- Structure-based design and in vivo screening were employed to discover CFT7455



In vitro data with CFT7455 demonstrated:

- High CRBN binding affinity ($K_D = 0.9$ nM)
- Rapid, selective, and deep degradation of IKZF1/3 that is associated with apoptosis
- Broad, potent antiproliferative activity in a panel of MM cell lines



In vivo MM models treated with CFT7455 demonstrated:

- Regression in the treatment-naïve H929 MM tumor models at doses ≥ 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{day}$
- Durable antitumor responses consistent with long-lived pharmacodynamic activity
- Single-agent efficacy in models unresponsive to approved IMiDs



A Phase 1/2 clinical trial to assess the safety and tolerability of CFT7455 in patients with R/R MM or non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma (NCT04756726) is ongoing and early clinical data is presented in poster #CT186

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