## Overcoming PARP Inhibitor Resistance in Cancers

Therapy designed to reinvigorate the effectiveness of PARP inhibitors

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# 70% of ovarian cancer patients will have recurrence & develop therapeutics-resistant disease

Cancers with BRCA mutation (defective HR repair) are sensitive to PARP inhibitors

#### Base-excision Homologous Homologous Base-excision repair recombination recombination repair (HR) (HR) PARP1 PARP1 BRCA Reversion of BRCA mutation PARP PARP Inhibito to restore HR repair Inhibitor No repair Repair Cell death

### <u>Recurrent cancers without BRCA mutation</u> are resistant to PARP inhibitors

Adapted from Iglehart JD, Silver DP. N Engl J Med 2009;361:189-191.

## As PARP Inhibitors become widely used, there will be an increase in patients who develop PARP inhibitor resistant cancers§

§ Noordermeer SM, van Attikum H. Trends Cell Biol. 2019;29:820-834.

Our team has developed DB4, a small molecule drug that inhibits HR repair. DB4 + Olaparib<sup>¶</sup> combo provides effective therapy for cancers without BRCA mutation



- PARP inhibitors are used for the treatment of ovarian, breast, prostate, and pancreatic cancers.
- The 2017 US PARP inhibitor market for ovarian cancer: <u>\$305.5 million</u>. The 2023 market for ovarian, breast, prostate, and pancreatic cancers: <u>\$2.2 billion</u>.<sup>#</sup>

¶ Trade name: Lynparza®. It is an FDA-approved PARP inhibitor for the treatment of BRCA-mutated advanced ovarian cancer

# https://decisionresourcesgroup.com/downloads/parp-inhibitor-cheat-sheet-for-oncology-strategists/

DB4 demonstrates effectiveness to inhibit HR repair and increase DNA damage in cancers without BRCA mutation





DB4 inhibits HR repair (HRR) in ovarian cancer cells

DB4 + Olaparib combo increases DNA damage (γH2AX) in ovarian cancer cells

DB4 + Olaparib combo inhibits ovarian cancer progression and increases the survival time of CDX tumor-bearing mice



DB4 + Olaparib combo reduces ascitic/abdominal distension

DB4 + Olaparib combo prolongs the survival time of mice

## Competitive Landscape for PARPi vs. PARPi + DB4 for Treatment of Various Cancer Types

Cancer Type	PARPi	PARPi+DB4
BRCA mutation	Yes	Yes
No BRCA mutation	No	Yes
PARP inhibitor-resistant	Νο	Yes
Recurrent	Yes to No <sup>¶</sup>	Yes

The estimated market opportunity for DB4: <u>\$0.5-1 billion</u>

¶ Likelihood of YES reduces with each cancer recurrence following treatment

### Next Steps: Milestones & Cost for Development of DB4

