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# Identification of GSPT1-mediated molecular glue degraders for the treatment of Myc-driven cancers

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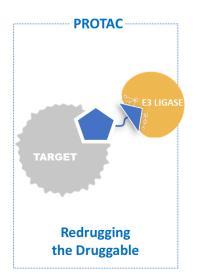


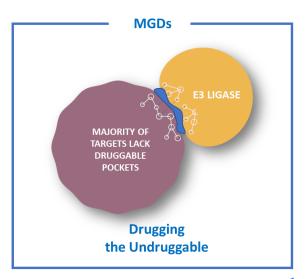


#### **Molecular Glue Degraders (MGDs)**

Opportunities for expanding the target space and fostering a new generation of drugs







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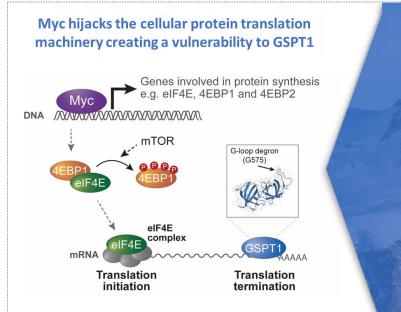




#### Targeting Myc-driven Tumors and Their Addiction to Protein Translation

GSPT1 is a key regulator and vulnerability of Myc-induced translational addiction





#### **Target profile**

To sustain growth, Myc-driven tumors are **addicted to protein translation** 

 Myc regulates the expression of key genes related to protein translation, including the master regulator 4EBP1 and eIF4E

This addiction to protein translation creates a possible **dependency** to the termination translation factor GSPT1 a degron-containing protein

GSPT1 MGDs exploit this **vulnerability** by:

- Disrupting protein translation output
- Reducing Myc-oncogenic signaling





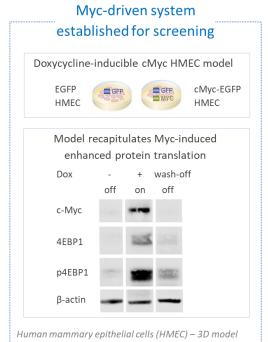


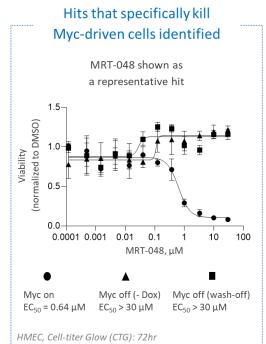


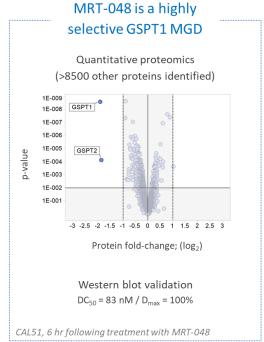


#### MRT-048 a Potent, Selective GSPT1 Degrader for Myc-driven Cancers

Replicating and targeting Myc biology in a breast model system







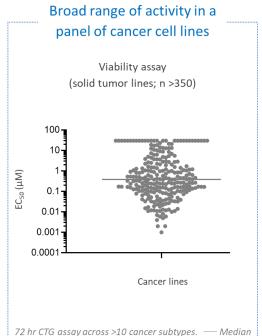


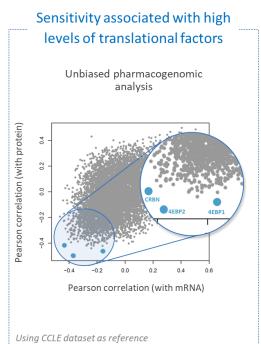


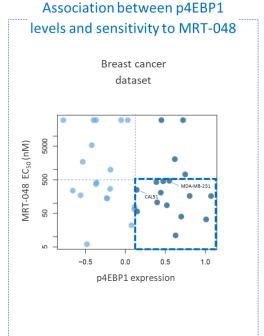




## MRT-048 Sensitivity is Linked to Key Regulators of Protein Translation including p4EBP1 in Breast Cancer Cell Lines







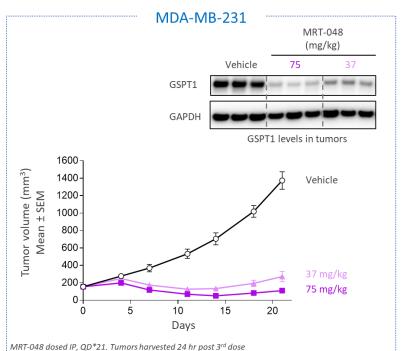


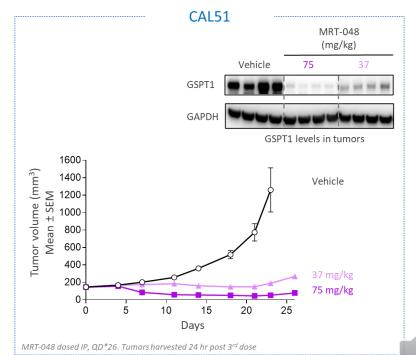




#### MRT-048 in vivo Efficacy Studies in High p4EBP1 Breast Cancer Models

Potent anti-tumor activity and target engagement demonstrated







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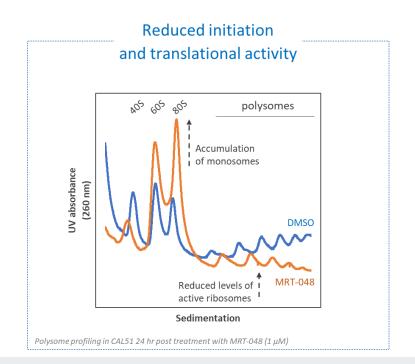


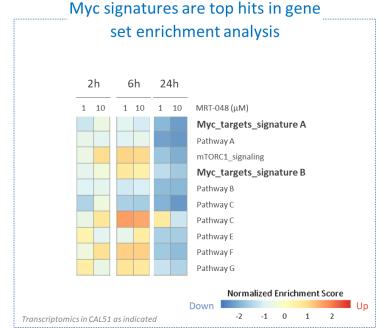




### MRT-048 Impairs Protein Translation and Myc Oncogenic Signaling

Myc gene signatures are strongly down-regulated following treatment with MRT-048













#### **Targeting Myc-addicted Tumors with GSPT1 MGDs**

- Cellular system replicating Myc biology established in breast model and used for screening
- GSPT1 degraders that specifically kill Myc-driven cells identified
- MRT-048 is a potent and selective GSPT1 degrader
- MRT-048 impairs protein translation and Myc oncogenic signaling
- Patient stratification hypothesis developed and robust anti tumor activity demonstrated in vivo









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