

TTI-109 in Ulcerative Colitis

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Webinar Objectives

1. KOL review of ulcerative colitis: the evolving treatment landscape and the case for targeting STAT3
2. TTI-109: an oral prodrug of TTI-101 and the rationale for UC as its initial indication
3. Proposed TTI-109 proof-of-concept trial design
4. KOL perspective on the potential clinical role of STAT3 inhibition in UC

The Evolving Ulcerative Colitis Treatment Landscape

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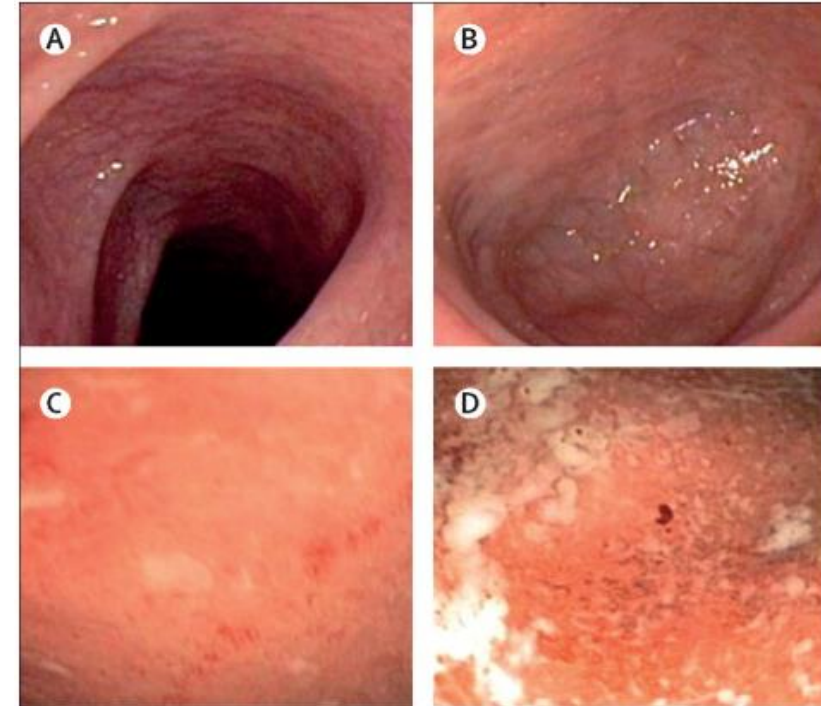
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Ulcerative Colitis: Overview

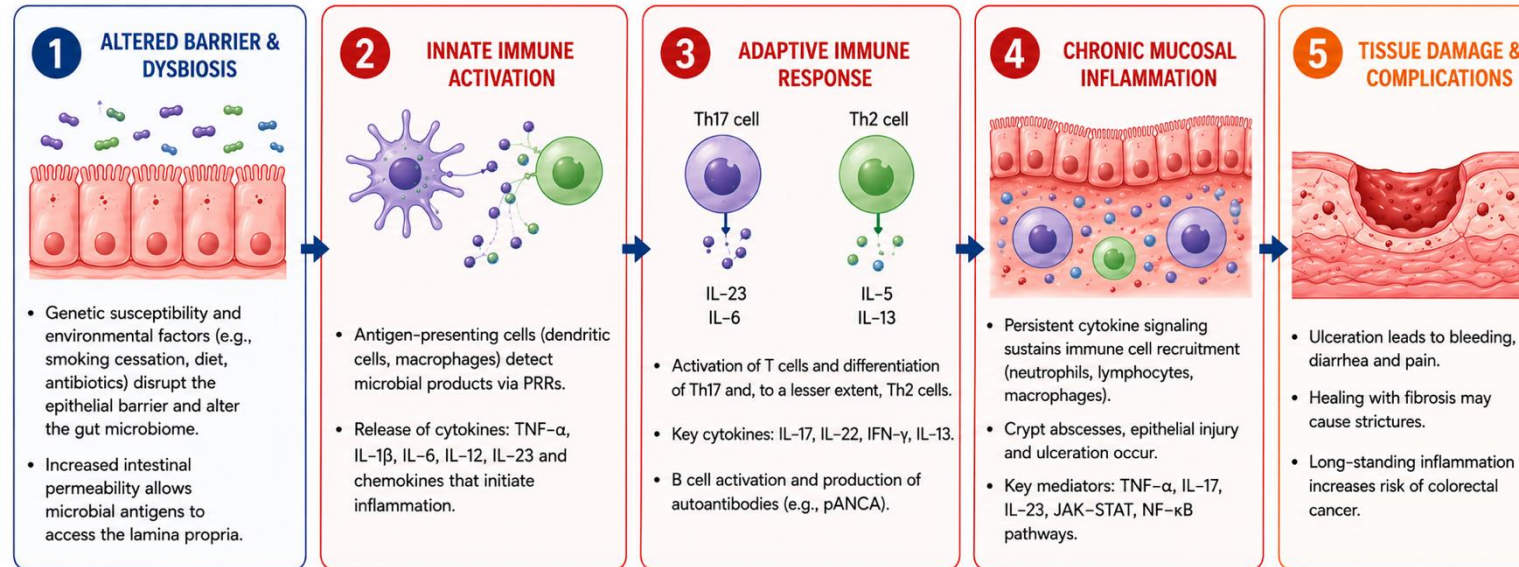
- Chronic, continuous mucosal inflammation of the large intestine
- Pathogenesis: interplay of multiple factors
- Clinical Features
 - Location: begins in rectum, extends proximally
 - Symptoms: bloody diarrhea, urgency, cramping, weight loss, fever
- Diagnosis: history, labs, endoscopy
- Treatment
 - Goal: induce and maintain remission; manage flares
 - Medical: 5-ASAs, steroids, immunomodulators, biologics, JAK inhibitors
 - Surgical: colectomy if refractory or complicated; can be curative



Endoscopic sample of A=normal; B=mild; C=moderate; D=severe UC¹

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Ulcerative Colitis: Disease Biology and Pathogenesis



PATHOPHYSIOLOGICAL FEATURES

1 Disease phenotype

Chronic, relapsing-remitting inflammation limited to colon and rectum; mucosal and submucosal involvement

2 Immune dysregulation

Aberrant Th1, Th17, and humoral responses; dysbiosis-driven pathogenic T and B cell activation

3 Genetic & environmental

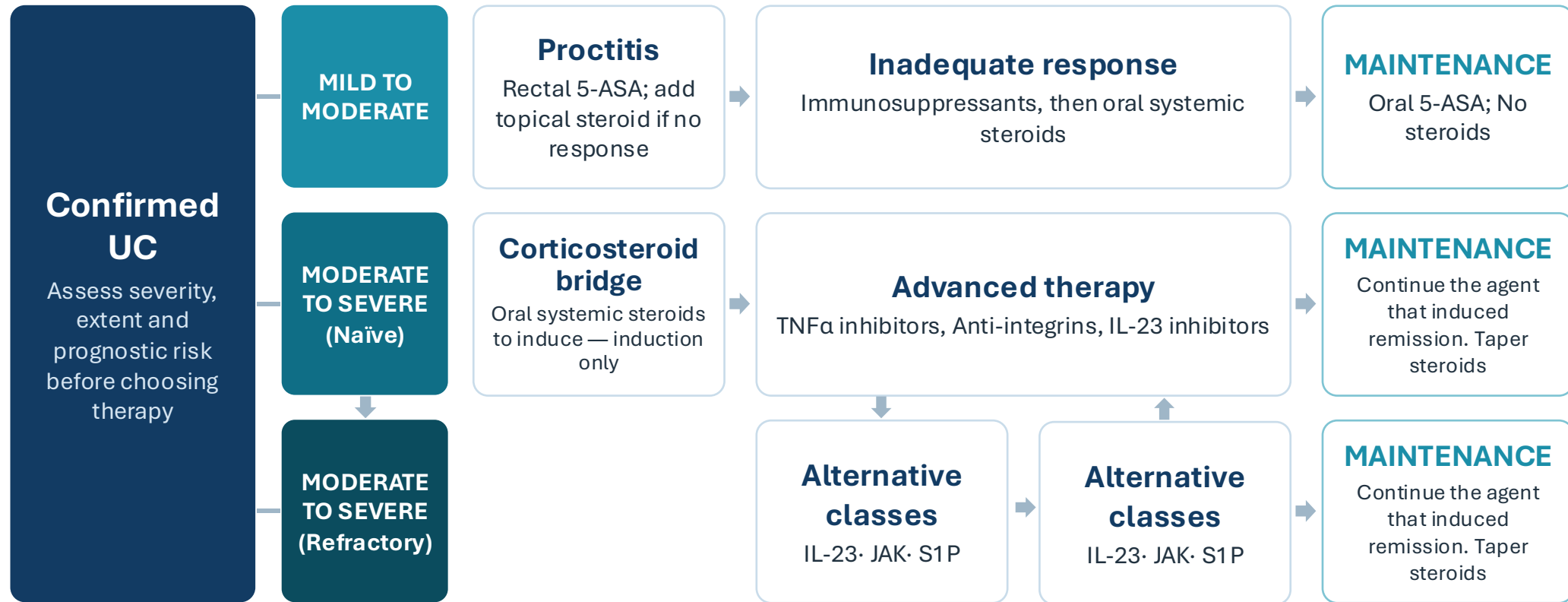
Complex genetic predisposition + environmental triggers (diet, microbiota, infections)

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Ulcerative Colitis Treatment Pathway

Induction and maintenance of remission by disease severity



ACG guideline recommendations; Therapy choice also reflects extent, prognostic risk, prior therapy exposure and shared decision-making. Reassess mild-to-moderate disease within 8 weeks; target endoscopic improvement (MES 0–1) and steroid-free remission. 5-ASA, 5-aminosalicylic acid · MMX, Multi Matrix System · TNF, tumor necrosis factor · IL, interleukin · JAK, Janus kinase · S1P, sphingosine-1-phosphate

Therapeutic Classes: Mechanism and Clinical Evidence

Three broad therapeutic classes — with different mechanisms, efficacy profiles and practical tradeoffs

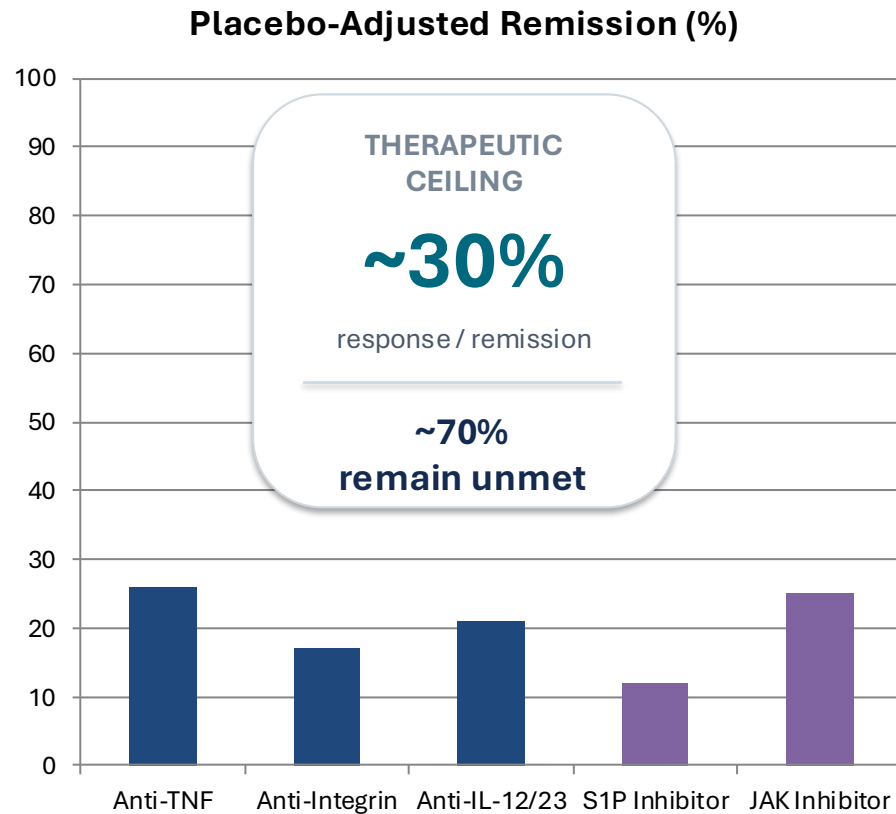
Therapeutic class	Mechanism and clinical considerations
CONVENTIONAL THERAPIES	
5-ASAs	Topical anti-inflammatory; uncertain mechanism in oral formulations
Immunosuppressants	Broad immune suppression; slow onset, steroid-sparing
Corticosteroids	Non-selective anti-inflammatory; effective induction but poor long-term efficacy; significant toxicity
BIOLOGIC AGENTS	
TNF α inhibitors	Moderate efficacy, variable durability
IL-23 inhibitors	IL-23p19 targeting; emerging loss-of-response concerns
Anti-integrins	Gut-selective, tolerable
ORAL SMALL MOLECULES	
JAK inhibitors	Broad JAK targeting; rapid responses observed; black-box warning and immunosuppression concerns
S1P modulators	Peripheral lymphocyte sequestration; cardiac monitoring required

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Persistent Unmet Needs Despite Therapeutic Advances



1 Secondary loss of response

2 Heterogeneity of disease biology

3 Safety and tolerability

Disease Complexity: Rationale for Multi-Driver Targeting

Interconnected pathogenic drivers of UC

1 Immune dysregulation

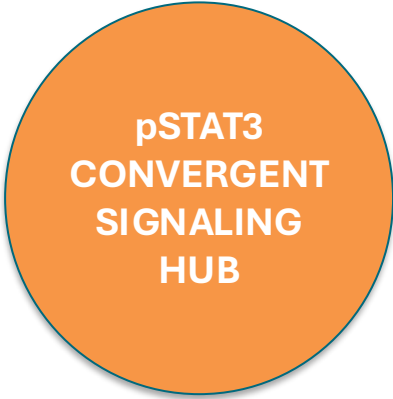
Th17, Th1, follicular helper T cells, pathogenic B cells; abnormal IL-6, IL-23, TNF α signaling

2 Inflammation

IL-17A, IL-23, TNF α , IL-6 drive mucosal inflammation and effector cell differentiation

3 Tissue remodeling & fibrosis

Chronic inflammation leads to structural changes, stricture formation, potential progression to complicated disease



pSTAT3
CONVERGENT
SIGNALING
HUB

**Rather than
targeting individual
upstream pathways,
therapies targeting
convergent signaling
hubs may offer
broader efficacy**

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Potential Role of STAT3 in the IBD Landscape

FRONT-LINE UC (ADVANCED-THERAPY NAÏVE)

Current standard: **IL-23** and **TNFα** inhibitors

STAT3 inhibitor opportunity

Oral multi-driver alternative to single-pathway IL-23 or TNFα; potentially more durable

BIOLOGIC-EXPOSED / REFRACTORY UC

Current standard: **Switch to alternate pathway (TL1A, JAK, S1P)**

STAT3 inhibitor opportunity

STAT3 blockade addresses the escape biology rather than switching to another single target

CROHN'S DISEASE

Current standard: **TNFα, IL-23 inhibitors; JAK if refractory**

STAT3 inhibitor opportunity

Shared STAT3-driven biology supports cross-indication expansion in transmural, fibrostenotic disease

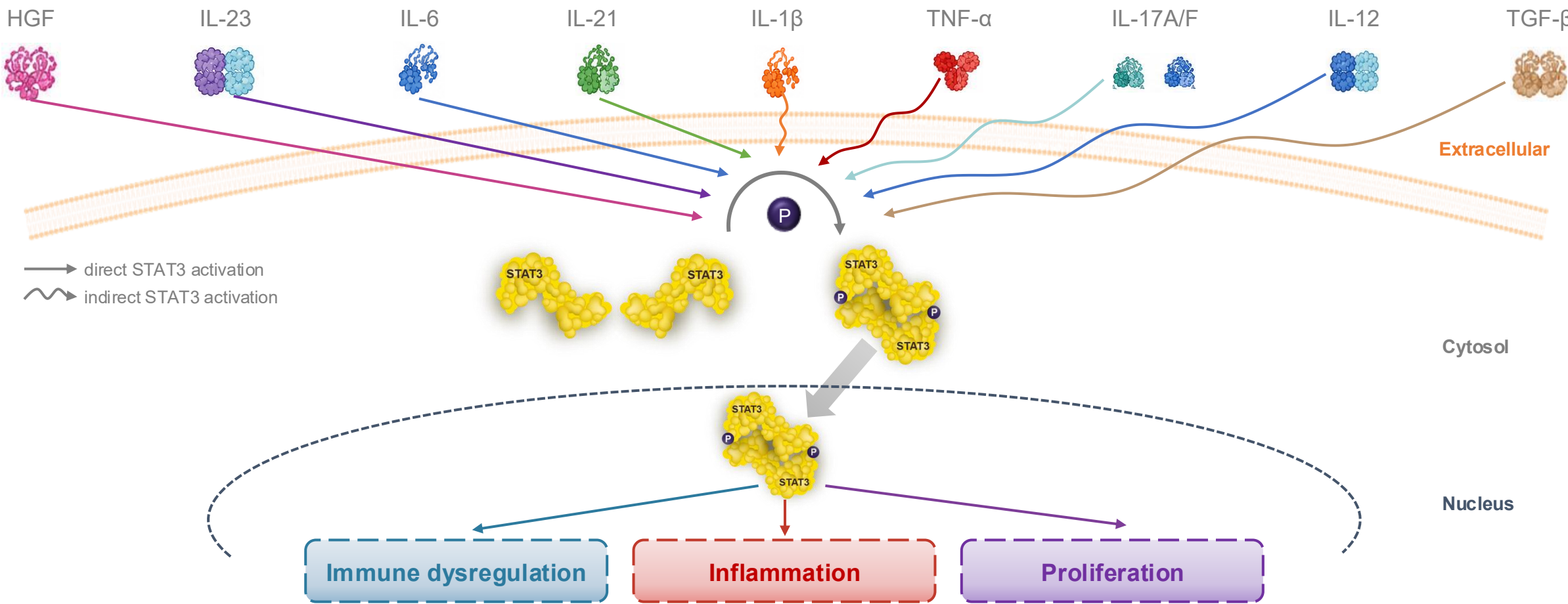
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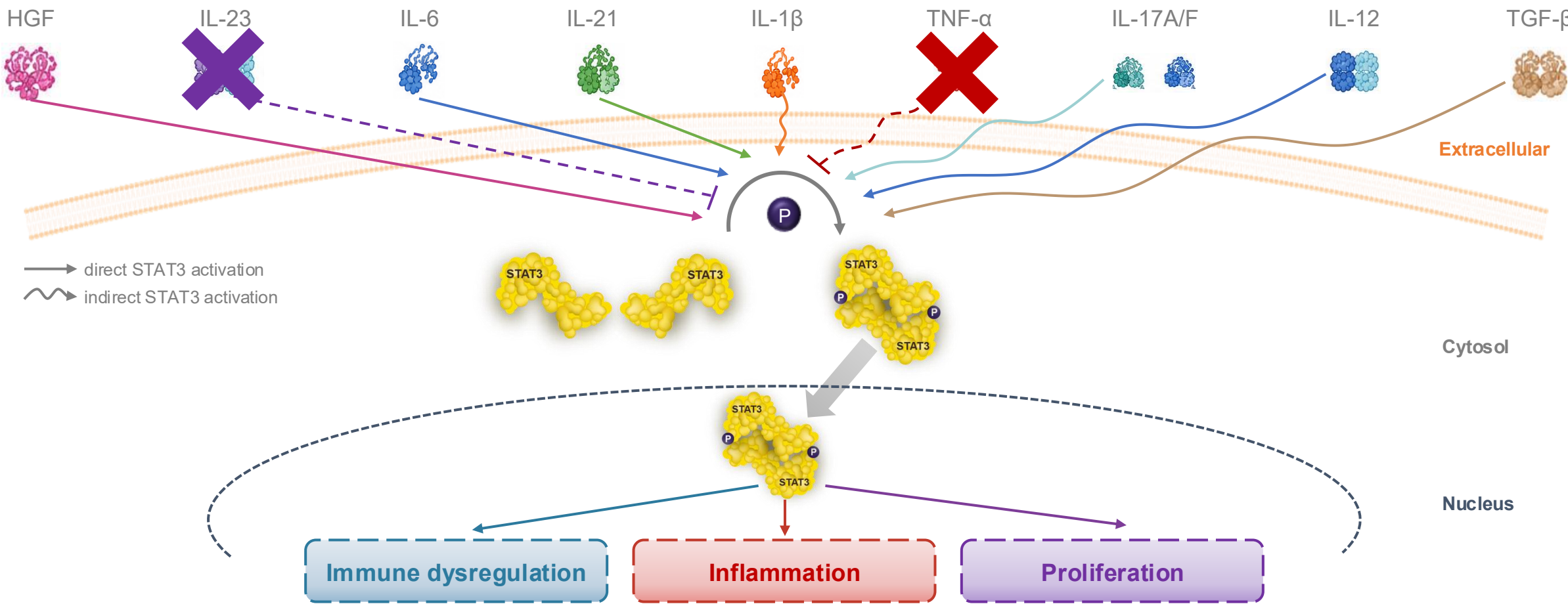
Targeting STAT3: a Convergence Point of Inflammatory and Proliferative Disease

Diverse Disease Signaling Pathways Converge on STAT3



Targeting STAT3: a Convergence Point of Inflammatory and Proliferative Disease

Current Therapies Target Individual Pathways



Single-pathway inhibition fails to suppress STAT3 due to redundant signaling cascades

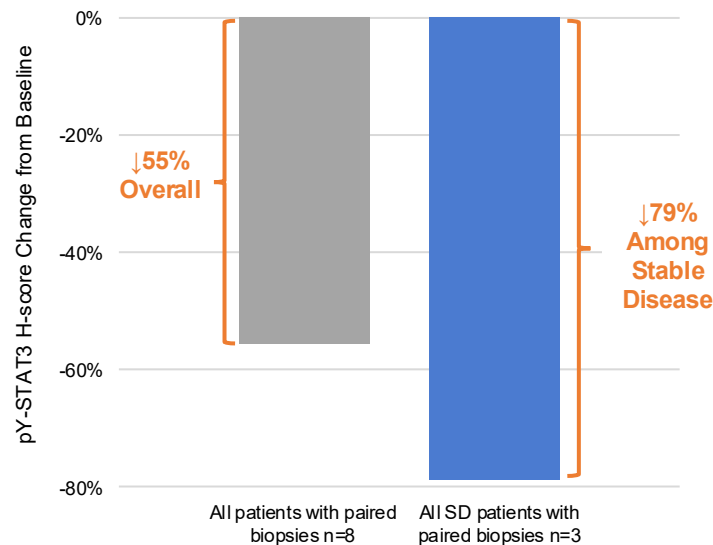
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TTI-101 Clinical Foundation for Development of TTI-109

pY-STAT3 Target Engagement Oncology Phase 1¹

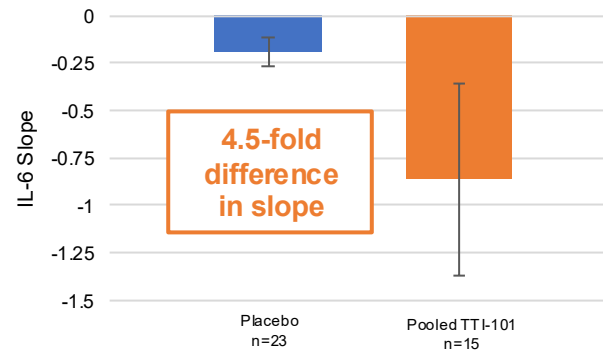
Decline in pY-STAT3



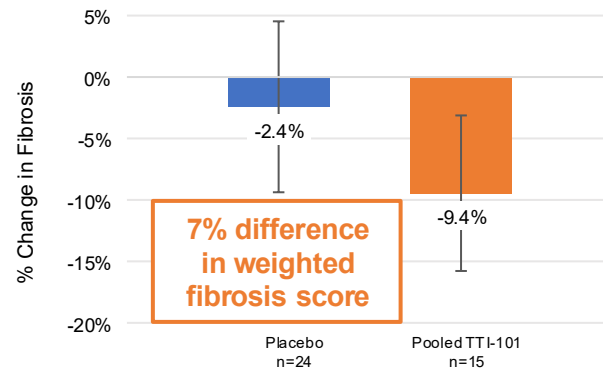
100% of patients with elevated baseline pY-STAT3 demonstrated a decrease within ~6 weeks

IL-6 & Fibrosis Reduction REVERT IPF Phase 2²

Decline in IL-6



Reduction in Fibrosis Score



Overall TTI-101 Safety

In over 300 subjects treated with TTI-101:

Mitochondrial toxicities observed with other STAT3 inhibitors³ not observed with TTI-101:

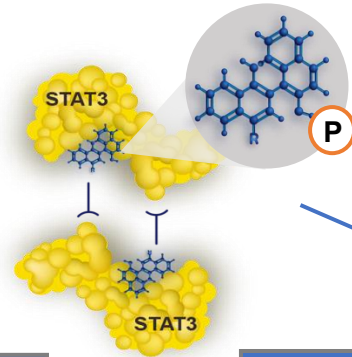
- Peripheral neuropathy
- Lactic acidosis

Safety signals observed with JAK inhibitors⁴ not observed with TTI-101:

- Major cardiovascular events
- Malignancy
- Cytopenias

Most commonly reported adverse event with TTI-101: diarrhea¹

We Believe TTI-109 Advances TTI-101's Clinical Profile Across PK, GI Tolerability and Immune Modulation



TTI-109 is designed to enhance delivery & improve tolerability while preserving mechanism of action

TTI-101 Clinical Observations^{1,2}

✓ Target Engagement

↓ pY-STAT3

✓ Inflammation

↓ IL-6

✓ Proliferation

↓ Fibrosis

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TTI-109 Clinical Observations

✓ PK

Rapid conversion with dose-proportional exposure >STAT3 IC₅₀

✓ GI Tolerability

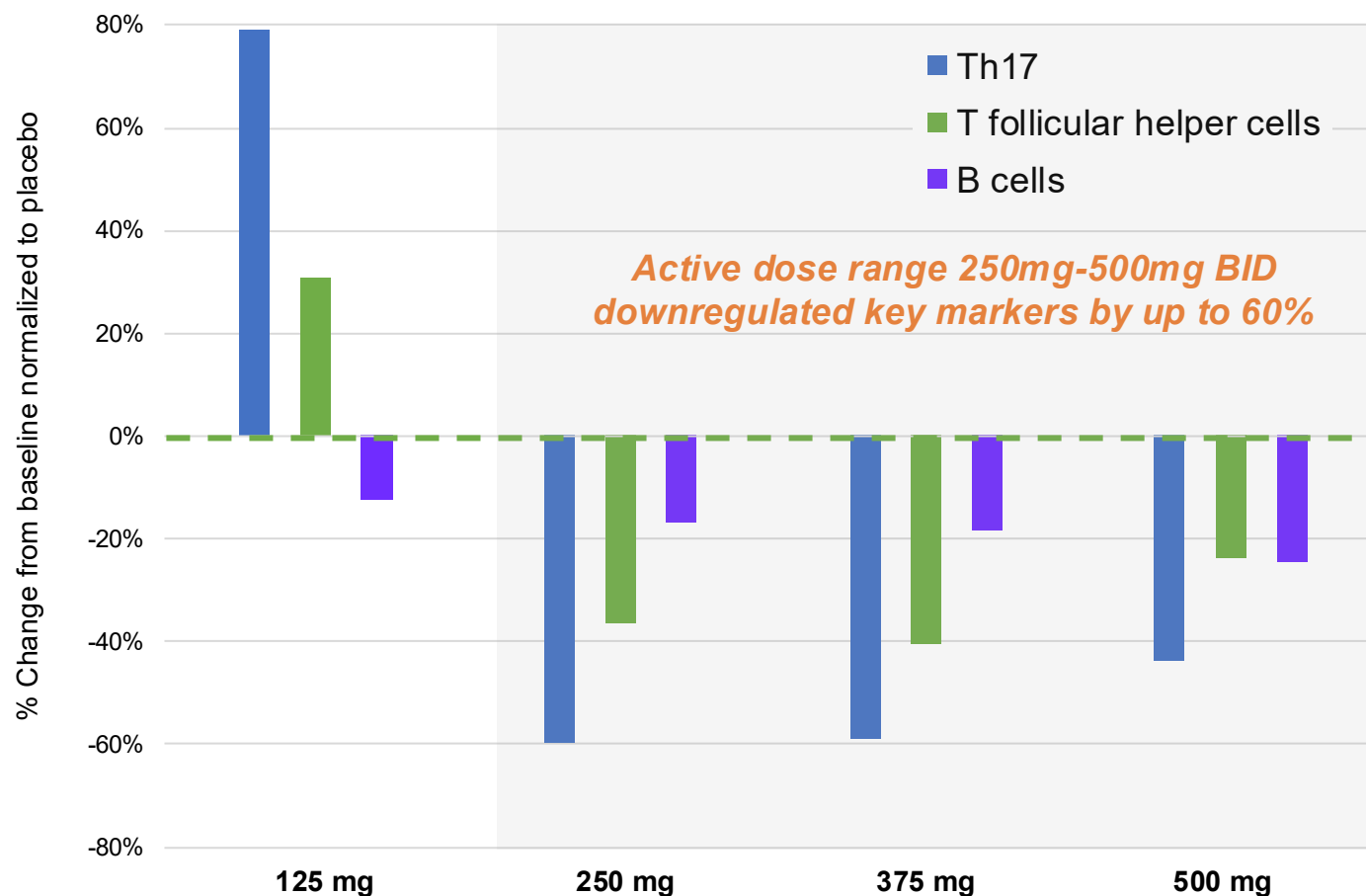
Similar to placebo and improved over TTI-101

✓ Immune Modulation

↓ Cellular and ↓ humoral disease related immune populations in UC

TTI-109 Selectively Reduced Immune Cell Populations Driven by STAT3 in Phase 1 MAD Cohort

MAD

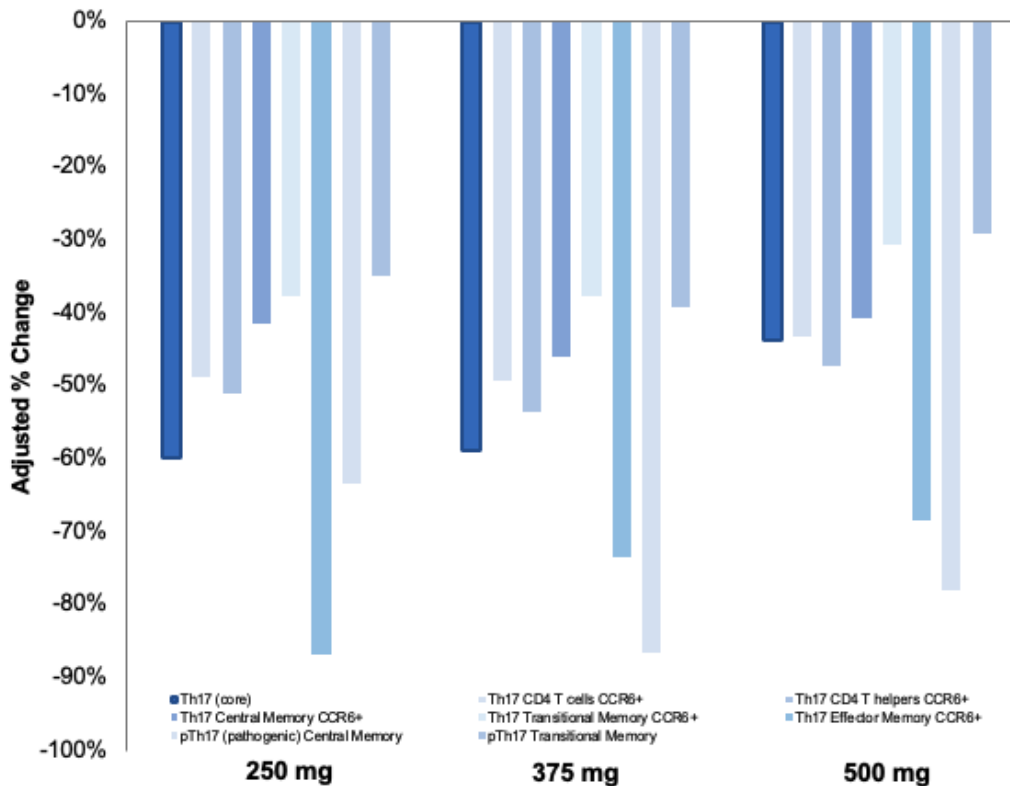


At active doses, downregulation of STAT3-driven immune populations observed:

- ✓ Effects **sustained** across active dose range
- ✓ **Reduced** Th17, Tfh and B cell populations
- ✓ **Reductions** across 16 cellular and humoral immune subsets recognized as pathologic markers of inflammatory and proliferative diseases

TTI-109 modulated STAT3-driven cellular (T cell) and humoral (B cell) immune populations

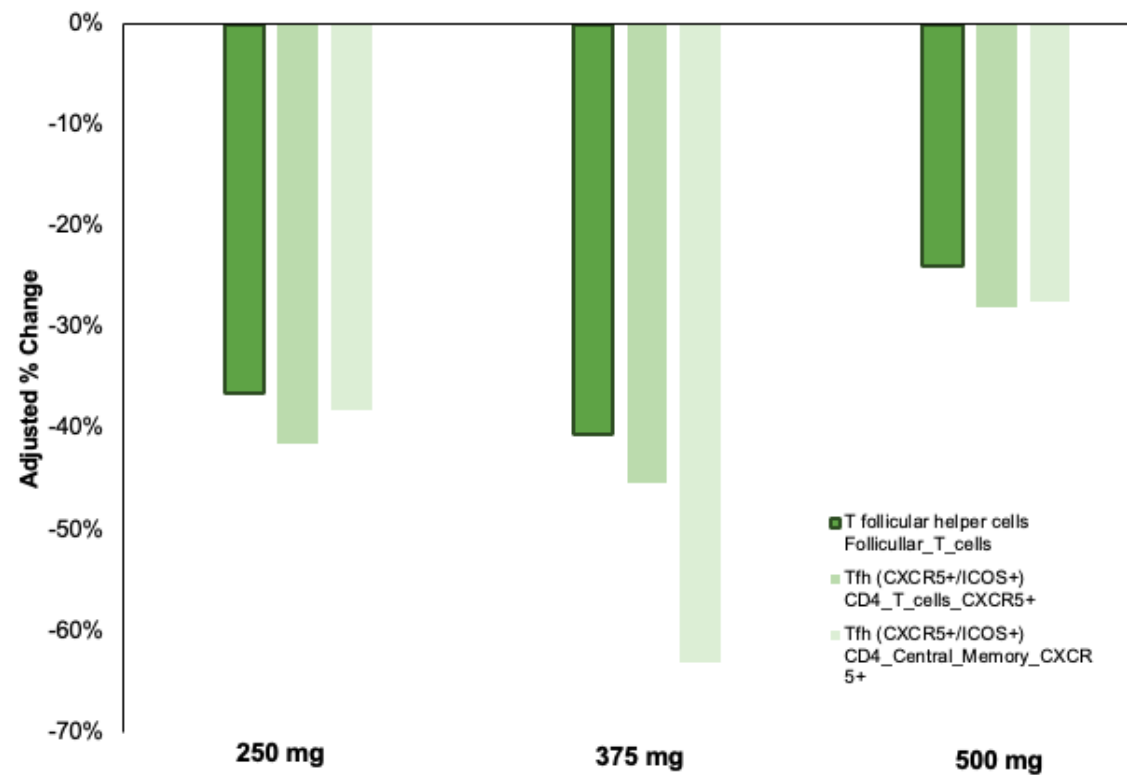
TTI-109 Reduced Th17 Cells Implicated in UC Pathology



Broad suppression of pathogenic Th17-associated immune populations

Cell Type	%Δ	UC Rationale
Th17 cells (core)	-54%	Central pathogenic effectors in UC and drive mucosal inflammation. ¹
CD4 T cells CCR6+	-47%	Enriched in active UC biopsies. ²
CD4 T helpers CCR6+	-51%	Drive IL-21-mediated B cell activation and pathogenic antibody production in UC. ²
CD4 Central Memory CCR6+	-43%	Expanded in UC patients and drive pathogenic Th17 differentiation ²
CD4 Transitional Memory CCR6+	-35%	Enriched in UC mucosa and contribute to the sustained Th17 cytokine milieu driving colonic inflammation. ¹
CD4 Effector Memory CCR6+	-76%	Accumulate in inflamed UC mucosa and are a major source of pathogenic IL-17 and IFN-γ. ¹
CD4 Central Memory CXCR3+CCR4-CCR6+ (pTh17)	-76%	Strongly associated with mucosal destruction and treatment-refractory UC. ^{1,4}
CD4 Transitional Memory CXCR3+CCR4-CCR6+ (pTh17)	-34%	Co-produce IL-17 and IFN-γ, accumulating in IBD mucosa and sustaining tissue-destructive inflammation. ¹

TTI-109 Reduced T Follicular Cells Implicated in UC Pathology

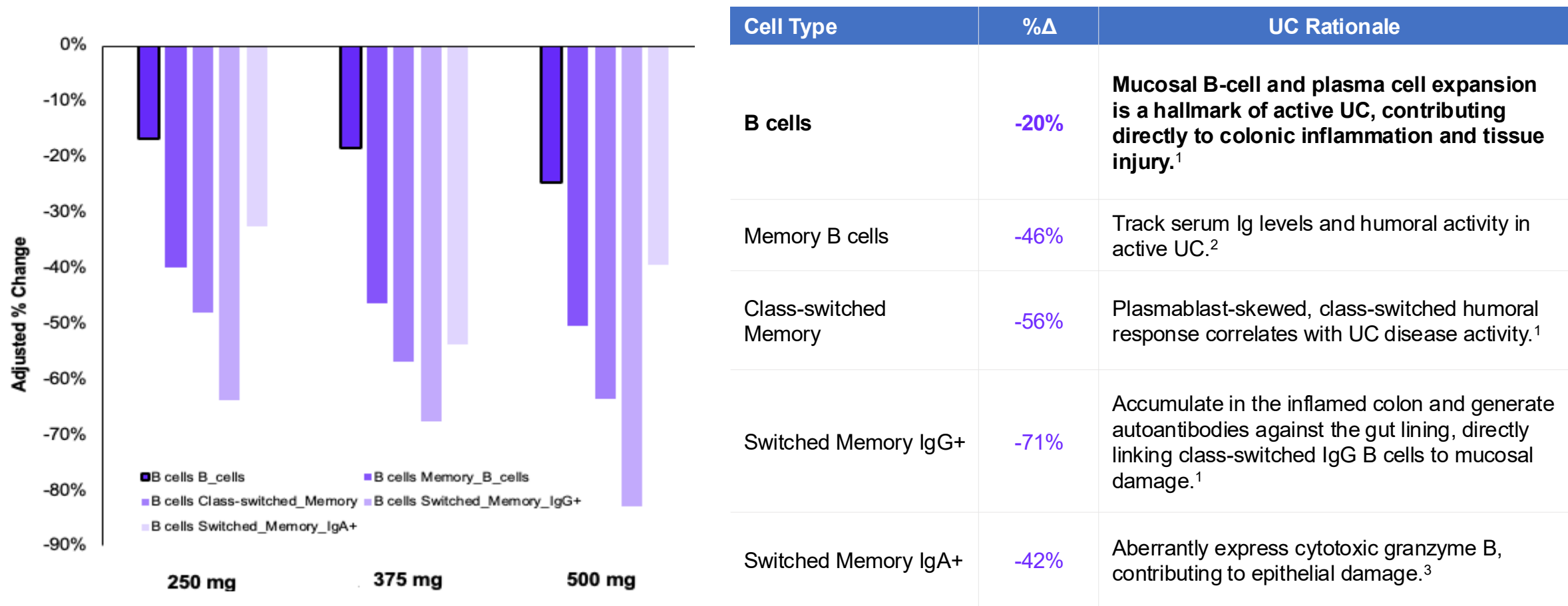


Cell Type	%Δ	UC Rationale
T follicular helper cells (Tfh)	-34%	Drive UC through humoral autoantibody production and direct cellular Bcl6-dependent mucosal inflammation. ^{1,2}
CD4 T cells CXCR5+	-38%	Track with UC disease activity and provide IL-21-driven B-cell help. ³
CD4 Central Memory CXCR5+	-43%	Elevated in active UC, correlating with disease activity, memory B cell expansion, and plasmablast generation. ²

Suppression extended beyond cellular immunity to the Tfh immune populations that drive mucosal B cell responses

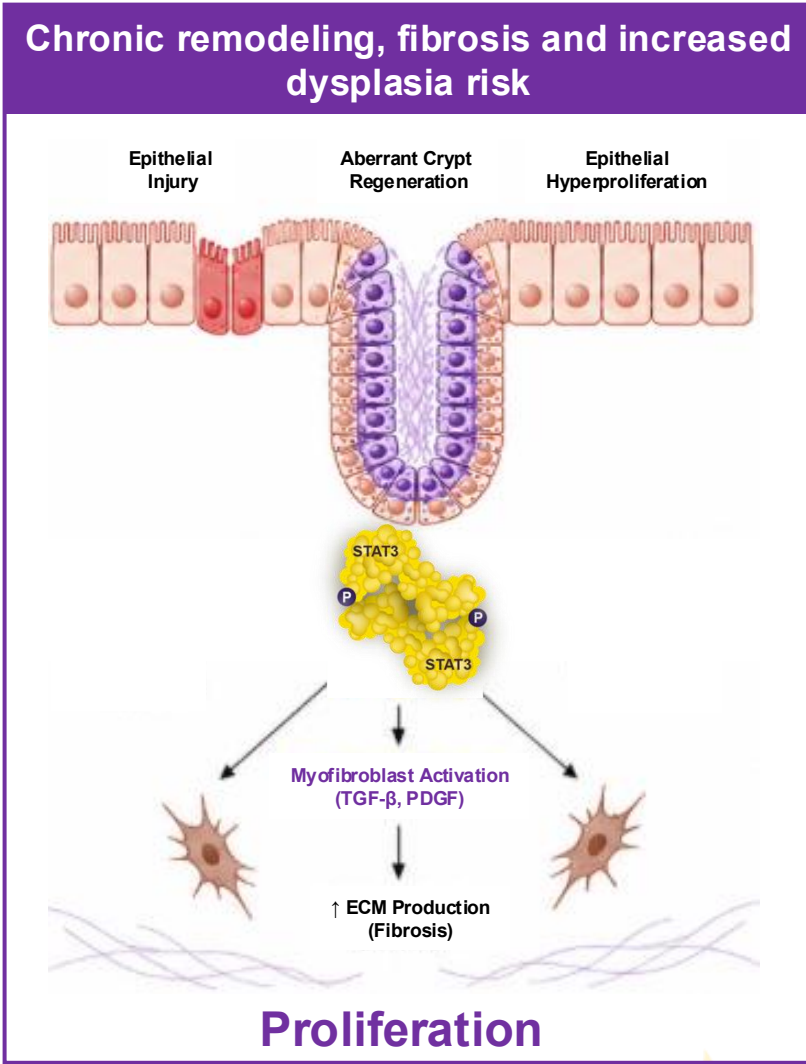
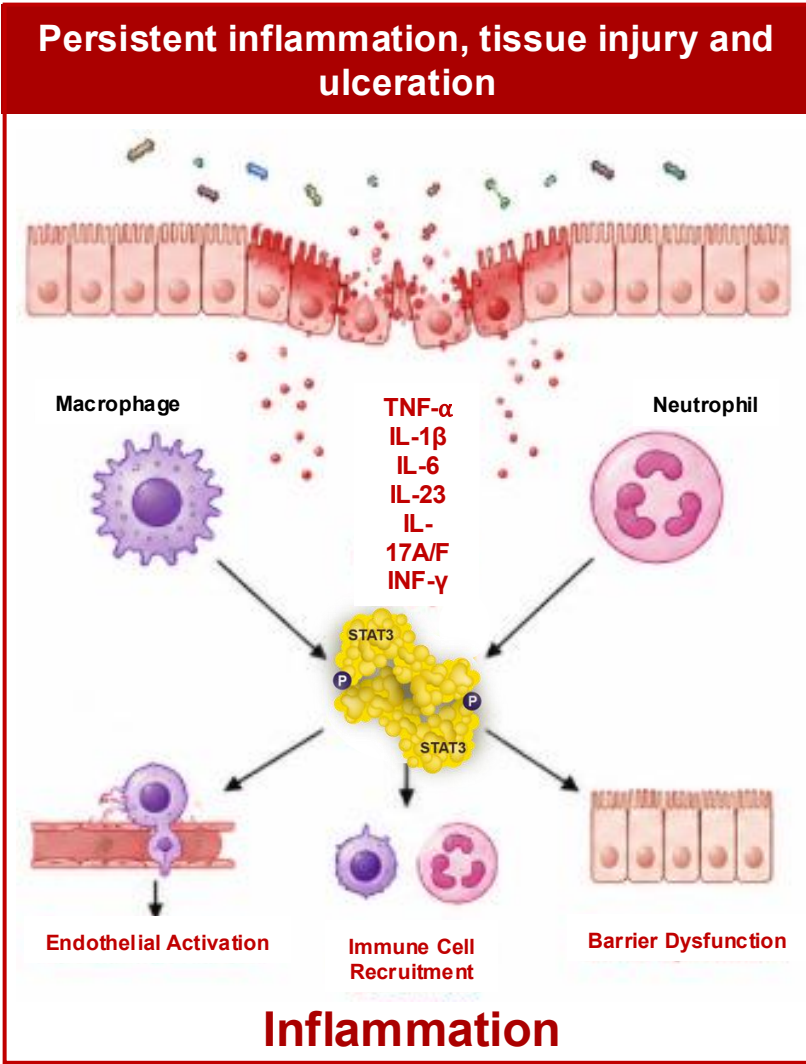
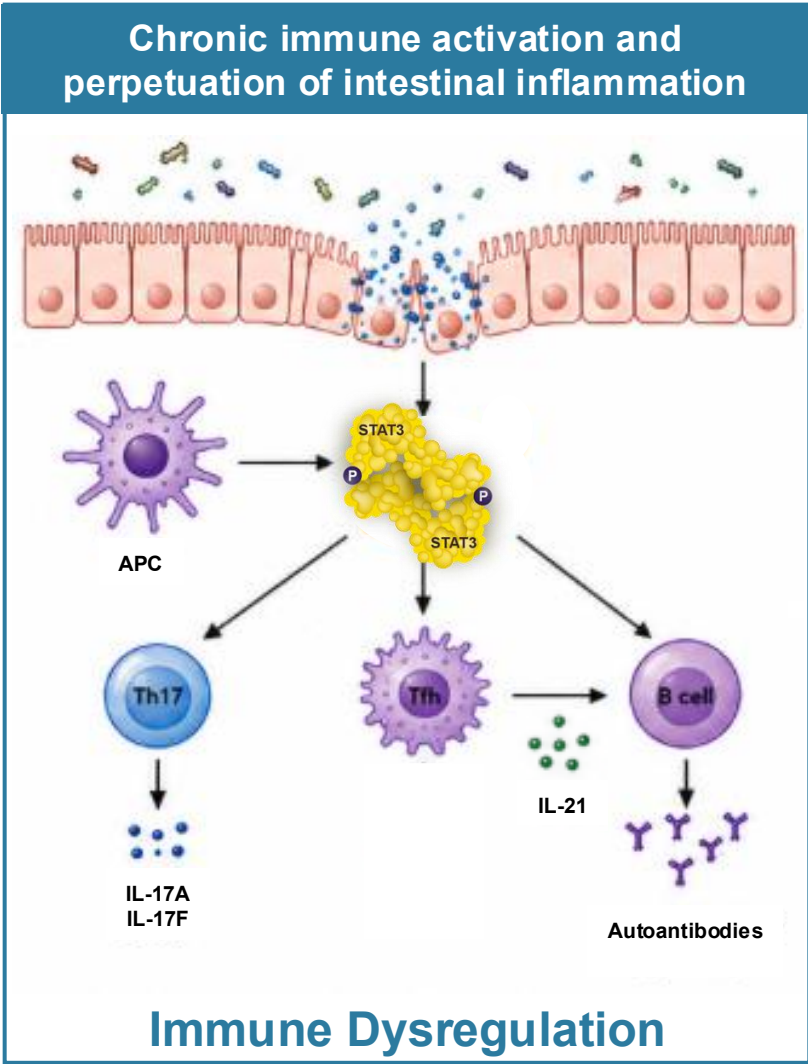
*Placebo-adjusted % change (%Δ)= TTI-109 dose-group mean – pooled placebo mean (per-subject % change). Paired n: D2=8, D3=8, D4=8; pooled placebo n=8. 1. Sun L, et al. *Gastroenterol Res Pract*. 2021; 2. Long Y, et al. *Front Immunol*. 2020; 3. Xue G, et al. *Medicine*. 2019

TTI-109 Reduced B Cells Implicated in UC Pathology



Suppression extended to B cell (humoral) immunity associated with colonic inflammation and tissue damage

One Target, Three Mechanisms: pY-STAT3 Drives the Shared Biology of UC

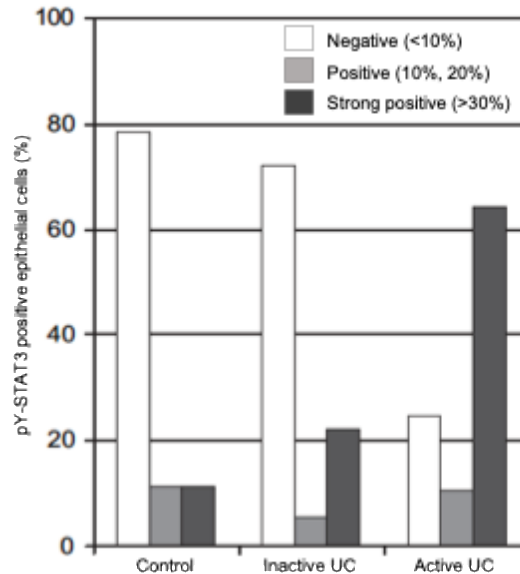


pY-STAT3 Reduction Demonstrated in Preclinical Models and Clinical Biopsies

Activated STAT3

pY-STAT3 is associated with UC clinical activity

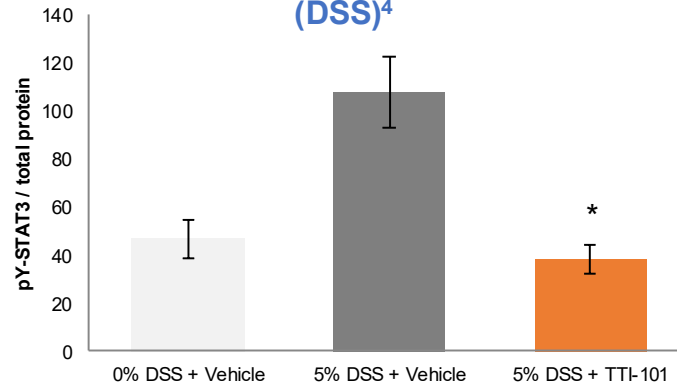
Tissue pY-STAT3 increases with UC activity¹



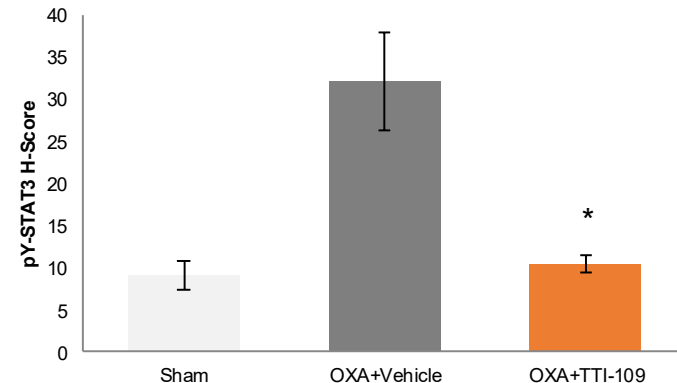
Reduction of tissue pY-STAT3 correlated with response to treatment^{2,3}

pY-STAT3 levels restored to baseline after TVRD STAT3 inhibitor treatment

GI model driven by innate immune axis (DSS)⁴

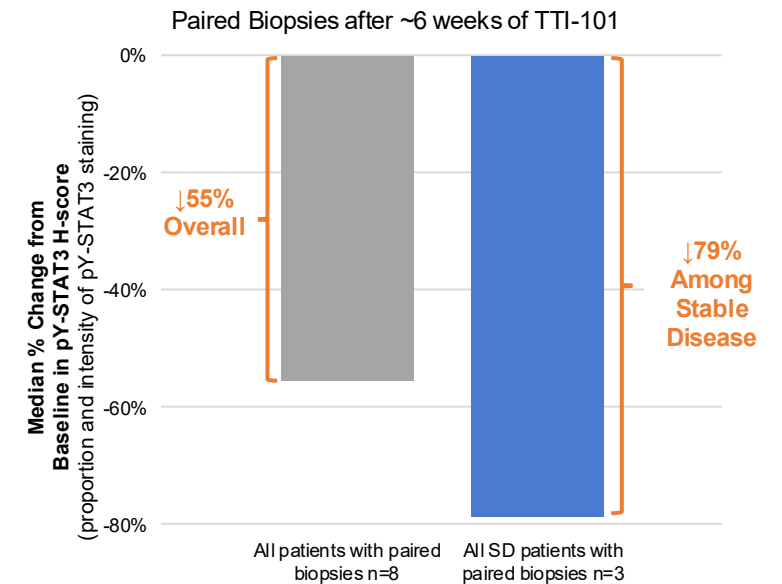


GI model driven by adaptive immune axis (OXA)⁵



Clinical PoC: Reduced pY-STAT3

Oncology Phase 1⁶



8/10 patients had elevated pY-STAT3 at baseline; elevated pY-STAT3 defined as H-score >30 on a 0-300 scale

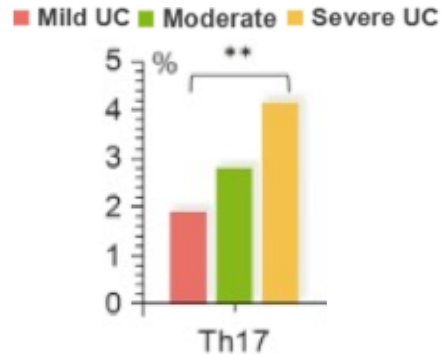
100% of patients with elevated baseline pY-STAT3 demonstrated a decrease within ~6 weeks

STAT3 Inhibition Normalized Preclinical and Clinical Pathogenic Immune Cell Populations

Immune dysregulation

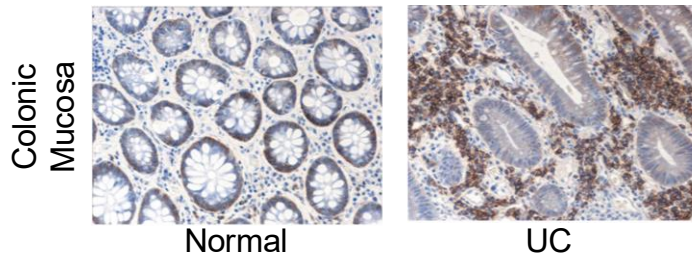
Cellular (Th17) and Humoral (B cell) dysregulation in UC patients

Th17 cell frequency increases with UC disease severity ($p < 0.01$). Th17 positively correlated with Mayo score ($p < 0.001$)¹



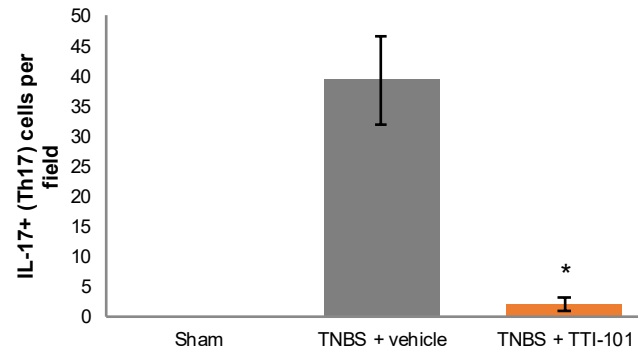
B cells/plasma cells heavily infiltrate the inflamed mucosa of UC patients²

CD138+ (Plasma cells)

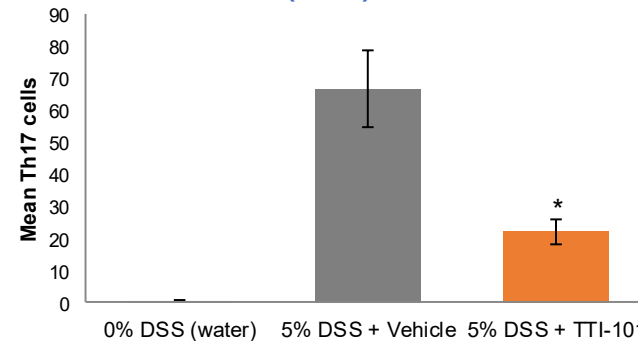


Th17 restored to homeostatic levels after TVRD STAT3 inhibitor

GI model driven by adaptive immune axis (TNBS)³

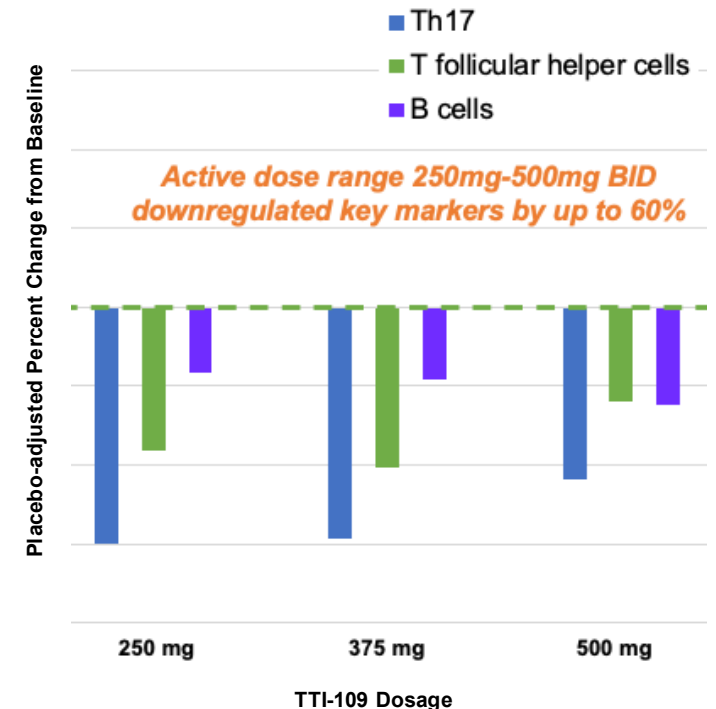


GI model driven by innate immune axis (DSS)⁴



Clinical PoC: Reduced key immune cell populations

Phase 1 Healthy Volunteers

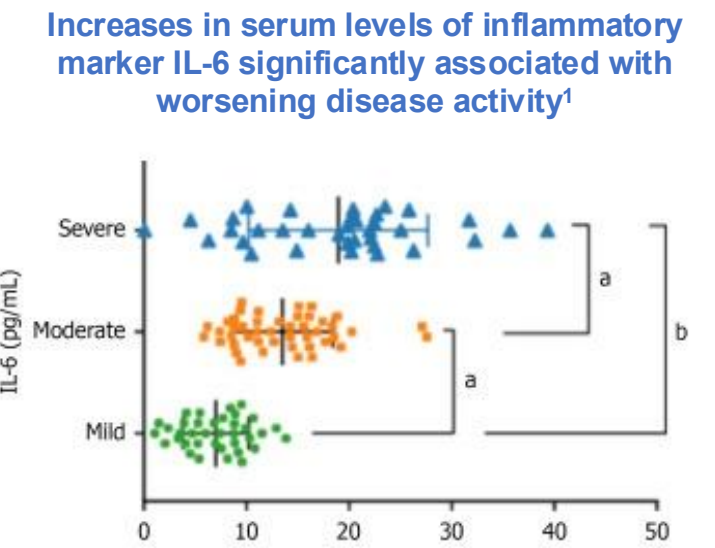


Downregulation of STAT3-driven immune populations observed with TTI-109

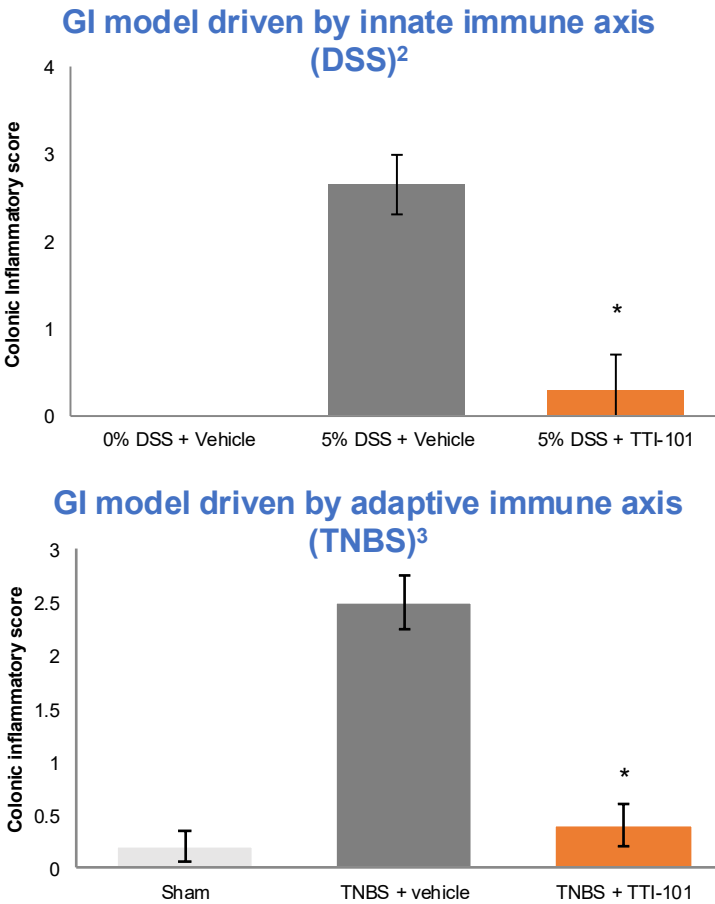
STAT3 Inhibition Reduced IL-6 and Inflammation Preclinically and in Patients

Inflammation

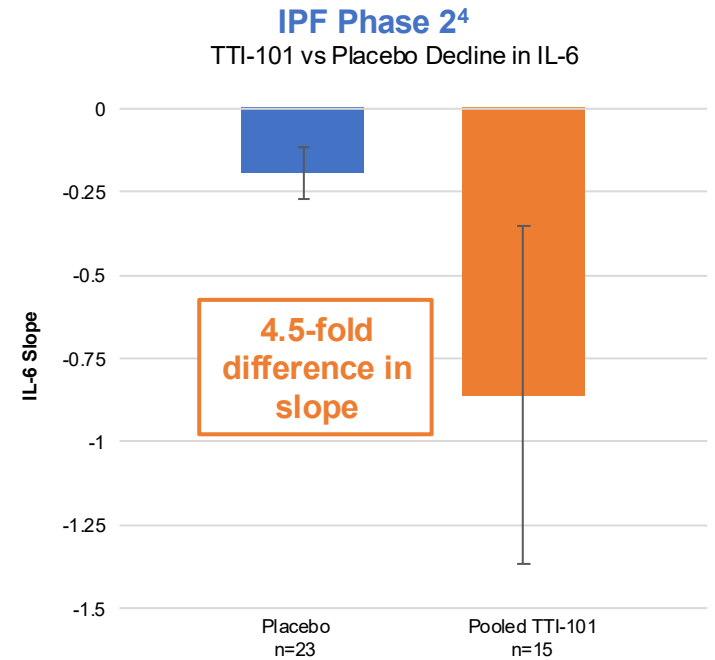
Inflammatory cytokine IL-6 correlates with UC severity



Colonic inflammation significantly attenuated with TVRD STAT3 inhibitor



Clinical PoC: Reduced IL-6



IL-6: a key pro-inflammatory cytokine that signals via STAT3

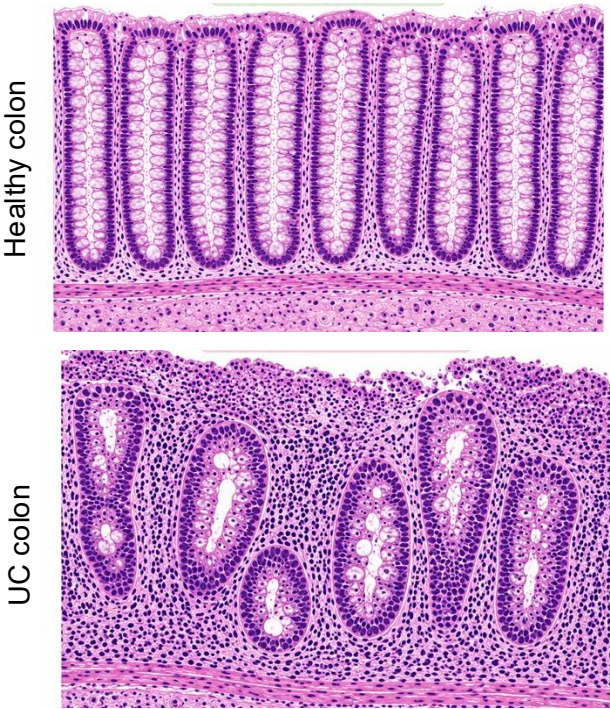
Greater decrease in IL-6 slope among pooled patients treated with TTI-101 vs placebo

STAT3 Inhibition Reduced Proliferative Signaling and Fibrosis Preclinically and in Patients

Proliferation

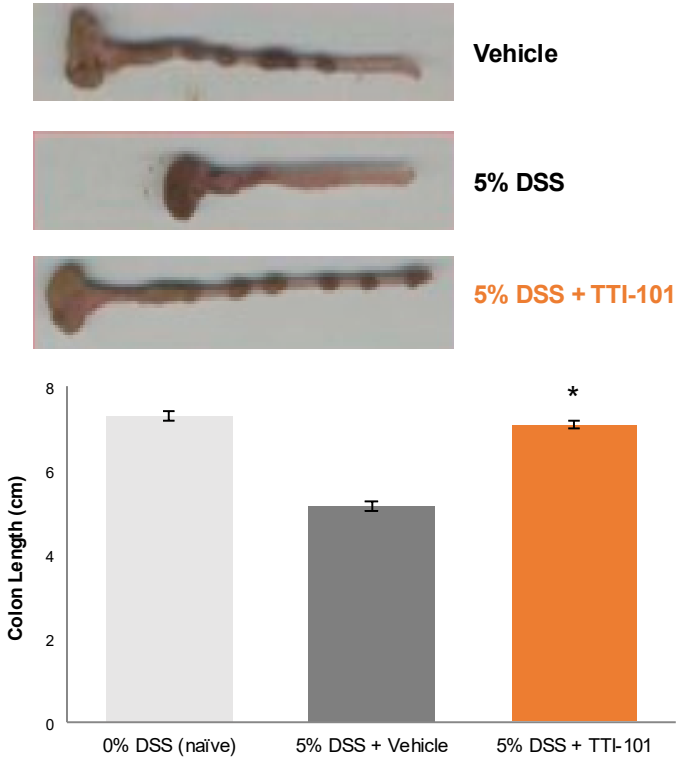
Proliferation and fibrosis correlate with UC severity

Disease severity indices integrate histologic architecture¹



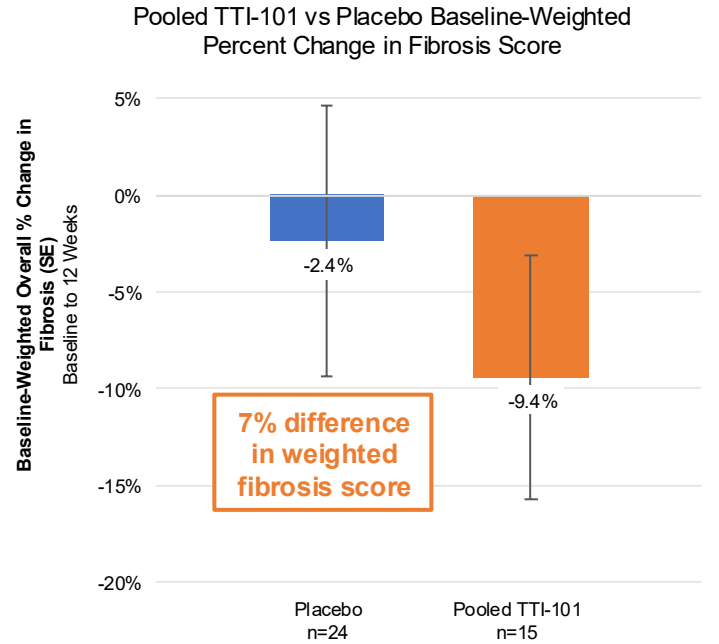
Preserved tissue integrity and colon length with TVRD STAT3 inhibitor

GI model driven by innate immune axis (DSS)²



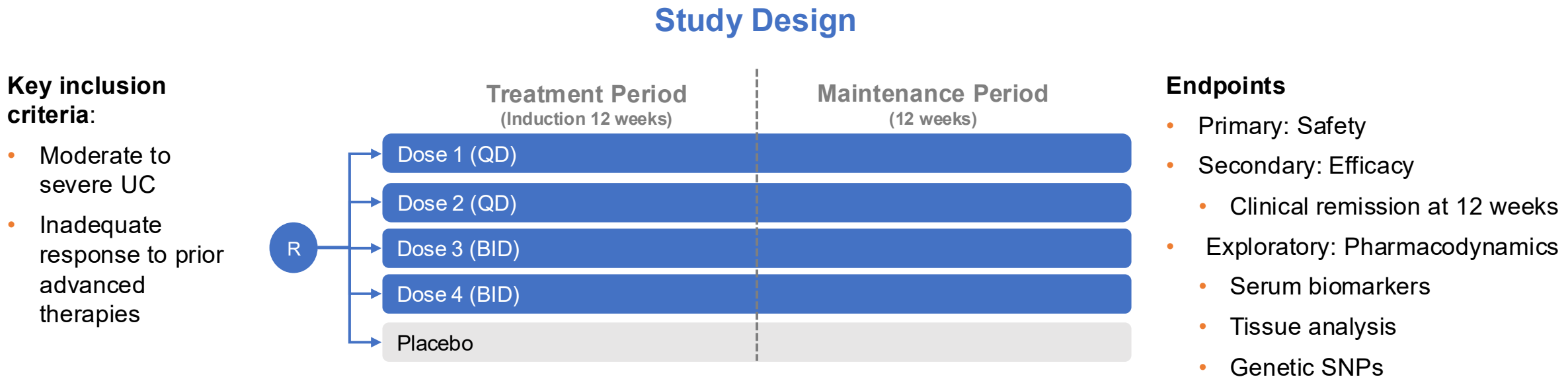
Clinical PoC: Reduced fibrosis

IPF Phase 2³



Greater decrease in fibrosis score (improvement in fibrosis) among pooled patients treated with TTI-101 vs placebo

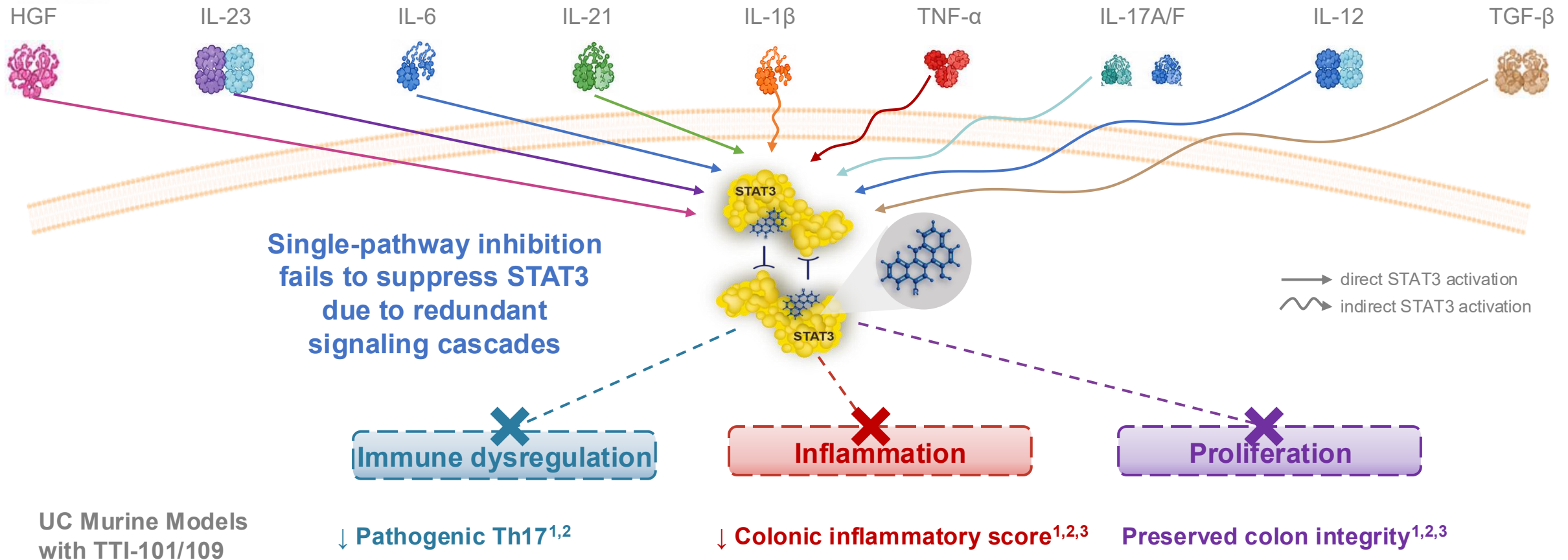
Proposed Clinical Trial Designed to Address Key Challenges in UC



Key Challenges in UC		Why Target STAT3 with TTI-109?
	Overcoming persistent disease biology	STAT3 integrates multiple mechanisms of disease modification
	A differentiated oral therapy with targeted exposure	Favorable safety profile, target-specific design with rapid biologic effect
	Enabling precision medicine	Targeting STAT3 offers a distinct opportunity to develop a STAT3-mediated response signature



Overcoming Persistent Disease Biology



Targeting STAT3 integrates multiple mechanisms of UC



A Differentiated Oral Therapy with Targeted Exposure

Safety concerns

- Class-related safety risks with JAK inhibitors¹ and S1P^{2,3} modulators:
 - MACE, venous thromboembolism, malignancy, immunosuppression

Exposure & durability limits

- Often require loading or extended induction periods
- Loss of response

Differentiated safety profile

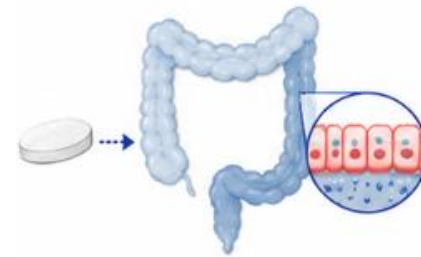


~400

subjects with up to
2-year exposure

- Established clinical safety database
- Differentiated from JAK inhibitors and S1P modulators

Tissue-targeted exposure



>8x

colon tissue vs plasma

- Target-dependent accumulation in colon tissue (vs plasma) in UC models⁴

Rapid and durable biologic effect



83%

objective responses observed by **wk 8**;
durable responses in refractory population^{5,6}

- ↓ key immune subsets by day 21 (Ph 1 HV)
- ↓ fibrosis by week 12 (Ph 2 IPF)⁷

Favorable safety profile, target-specific design with rapid and durable biologic effect

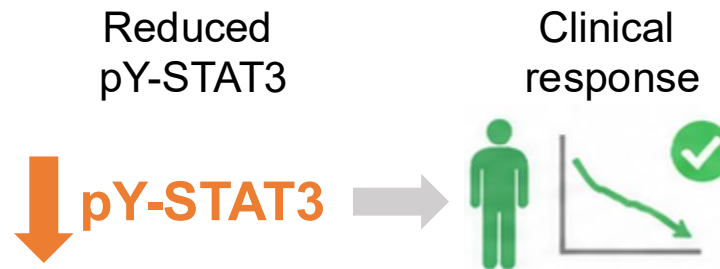


Enabling Precision Medicine

Limited Molecular Insight

- Broad, unselected patient populations
- Unpredictable response
- Molecular profiling remains an unmet need

pY-STAT3 associated with clinical activity^{1,2}



- Reduction of pY-STAT3 correlated with clinical response
- Non-responders demonstrated little or no reduction of pY-STAT3

STAT3-associated genetic & immune signatures

Elevated UC risk^{3,4}



STAT3 polymorphisms

rs744166 | rs2293152

Immune signatures



Pathogenic
Th17



Inflammatory
macrophages

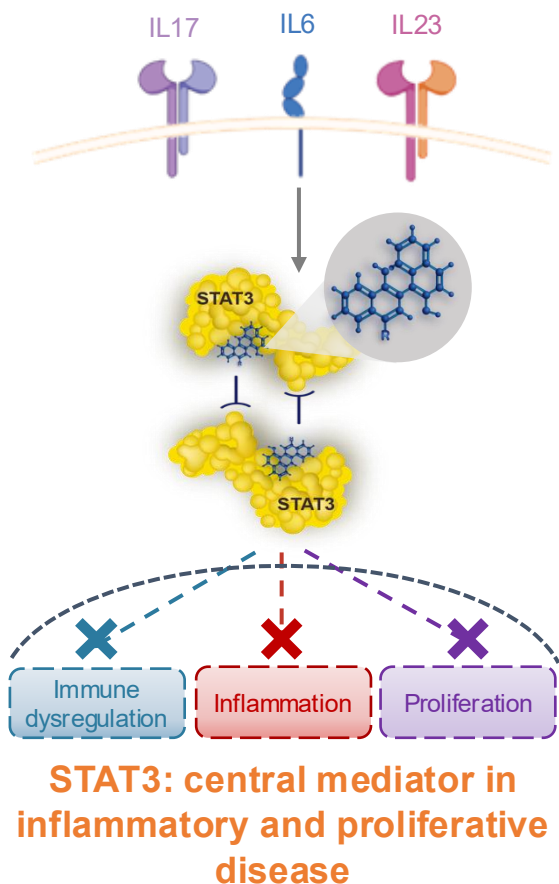


CD4+
Tfh

We believe targeting STAT3 offers a distinct opportunity to develop a STAT3-mediated response signature and may inform future patient enrichment strategy

Our STAT3 Inhibitors are Designed to Address the Unmet Need in Inflammatory and Proliferative Diseases

STAT3: Highly Validated Convergent Node



Translational Proof-of-Concept



Preclinical

- ↓ pY-STAT3
- ↓ immune dysregulation
- ↓ inflammation
- ↓ proliferation



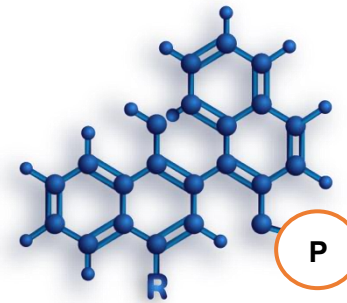
Confirmed in patients



Clinical

- ↓ pY-STAT3
- ↓ immune dysregulation
- ↓ inflammation
- ↓ proliferation

TTI-109 Validation in P1 Healthy Volunteers



TTI-109

- ✓ **PK**
- ✓ **GI tolerability**
- ✓ **Immune modulation**

TTI-109 Lead Indication



Ulcerative Colitis (UC)

- Targeting a single convergent node
- Oral therapy with targeted tissue exposure
- Assessment of STAT3-mediated inflammatory response signature

Our Pipeline

Program	Indication	Preclinical	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Anticipated Milestones
TTI-109	Ulcerative Colitis (UC)	IND submission expected 2027*				Study initiation expected 2027*
TTI-101	Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC)	Phase 1b/2				Phase 1b/2 topline data 4Q:2026

Perspective: The Potential Clinical Role of STAT3 Inhibition

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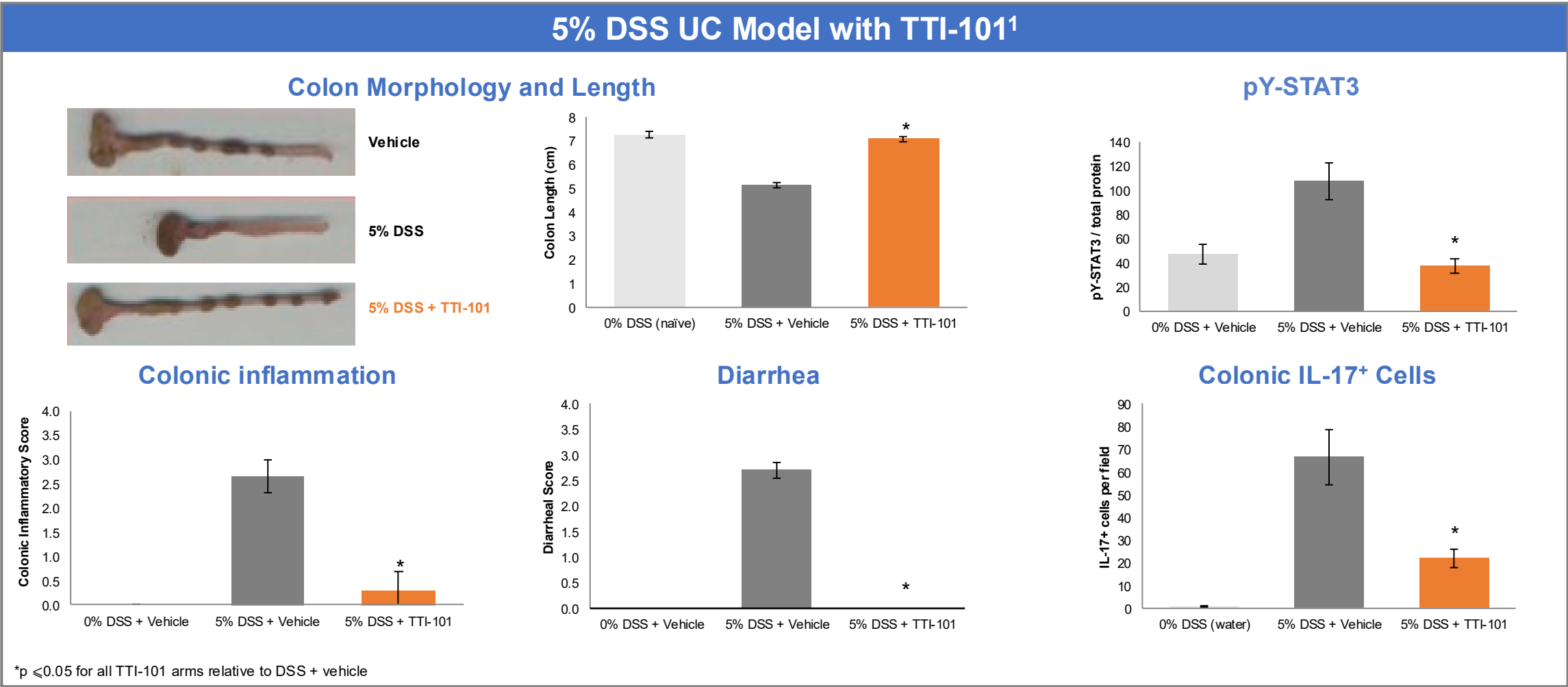
Appendix A. Preclinical Support

TVRD STAT3 Inhibition Demonstrated Activity Across Multiple Validated IBD Immune Axes

Model Systems and Select Therapies Approved or Developed for IBD		TVRD STAT3i	Anti-TNFα	Anti-IL12/23	Anti-TL1A	Anti-IL-6	JAK1i	JAK2/3i	TyK2i	S1P1m
Model	Immune Axis / Key Cytokines									
DSS (UC)	- Innate → Th1/Th17 - IL-6, IL-1β, IL-17			✓	✓	✓				✓
TNBS (CD)	- Adaptive (Th1) - IFN-γ, TNF-α, IL-12		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
OXA (UC)	- Adaptive (Th2/NKT) - IL-13, IL-4						✓	✓		

Unlike single-axis competitor mechanisms, TVRD STAT3-inhibitors demonstrated biologic activity across multiple, validated immune axes underlying IBD disease

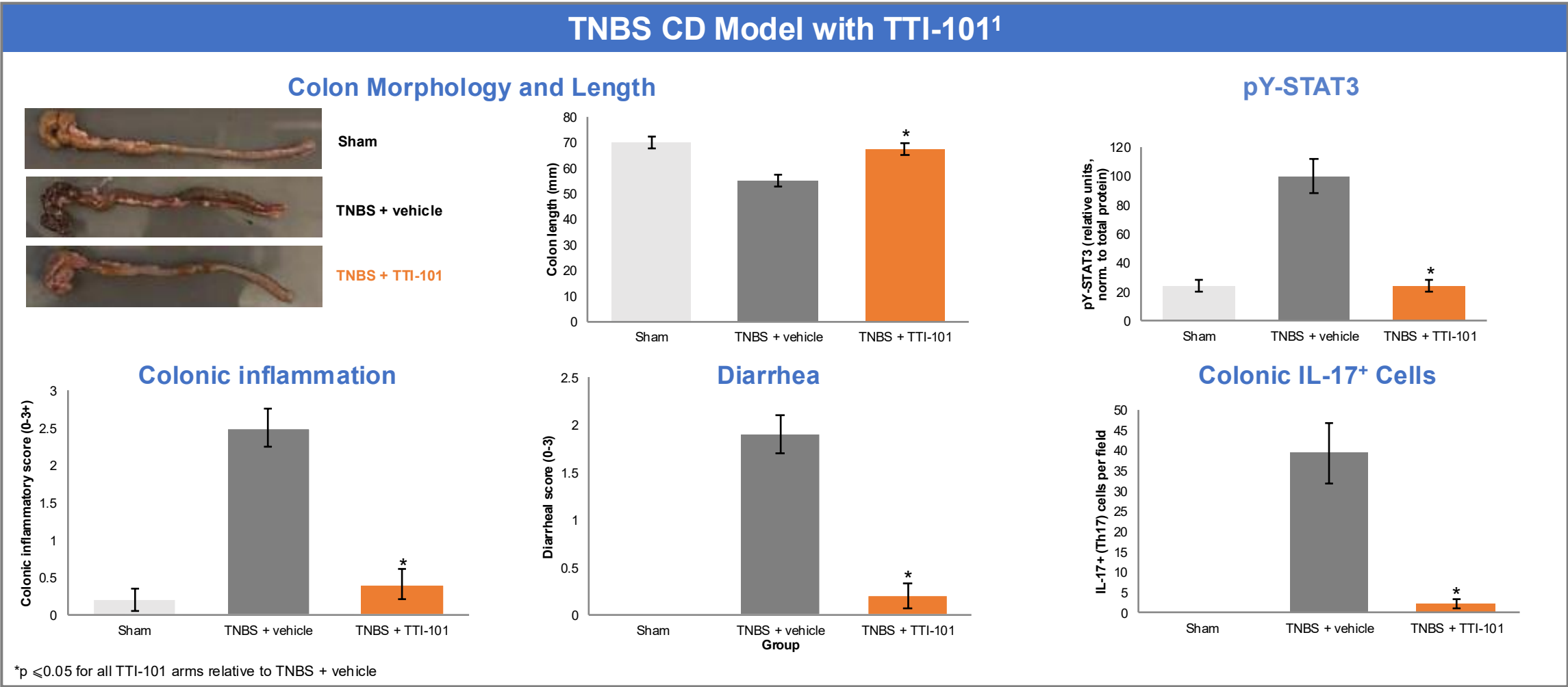
TVRD STAT3 Inhibitors in the DSS-UC Model



TTI-101 treatment in DSS model normalized all hallmarks of UC

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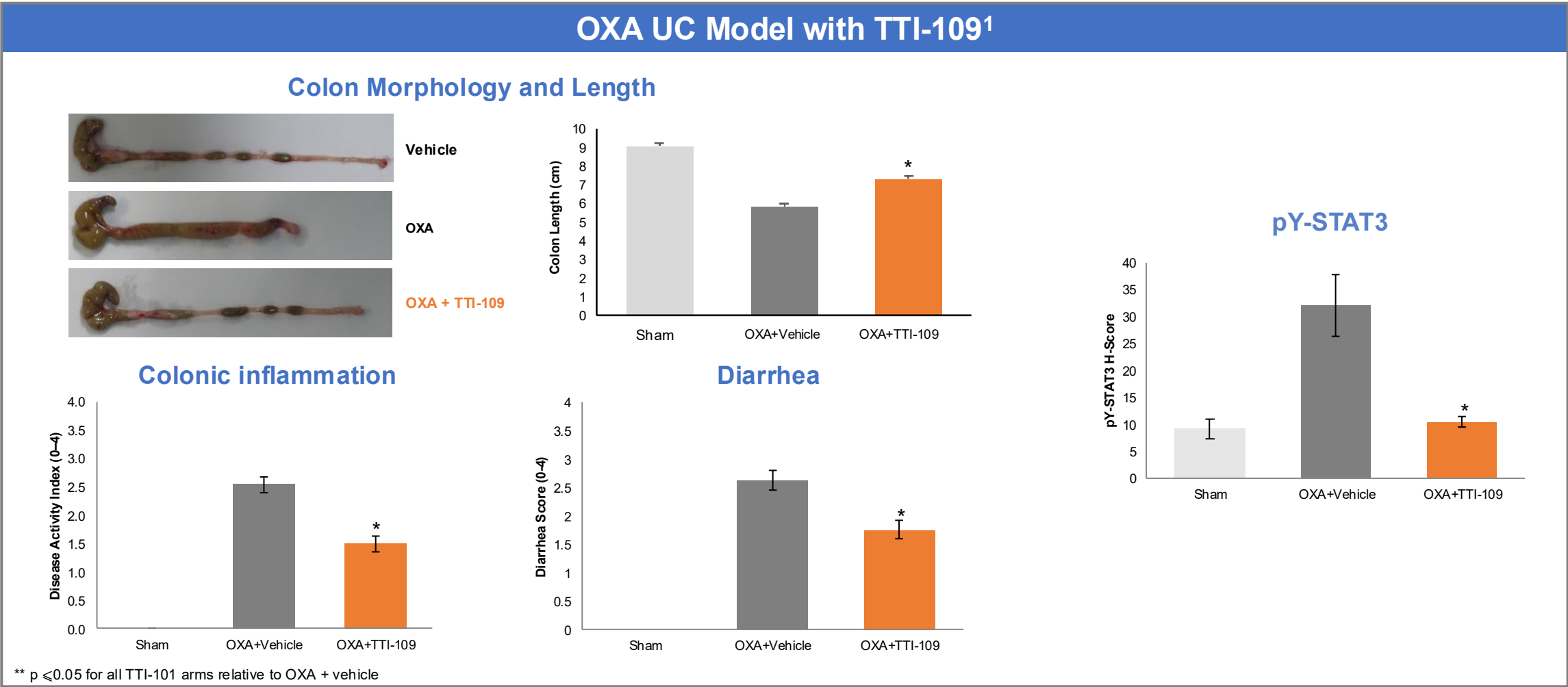
TVRD STAT3 Inhibitors in the TNBS-CD Model



TTI-101 treatment in TNBS model normalized all hallmarks of CD

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TVRD STAT3 Inhibitors in the OXA-UC Model



TTI-109 treatment in OXA model normalized all hallmarks of UC

1. Tvardi data generated with CRO: WuXi; n=8 per group statistical comparison using exact Mann-Whitney + Kruskal-Wallis