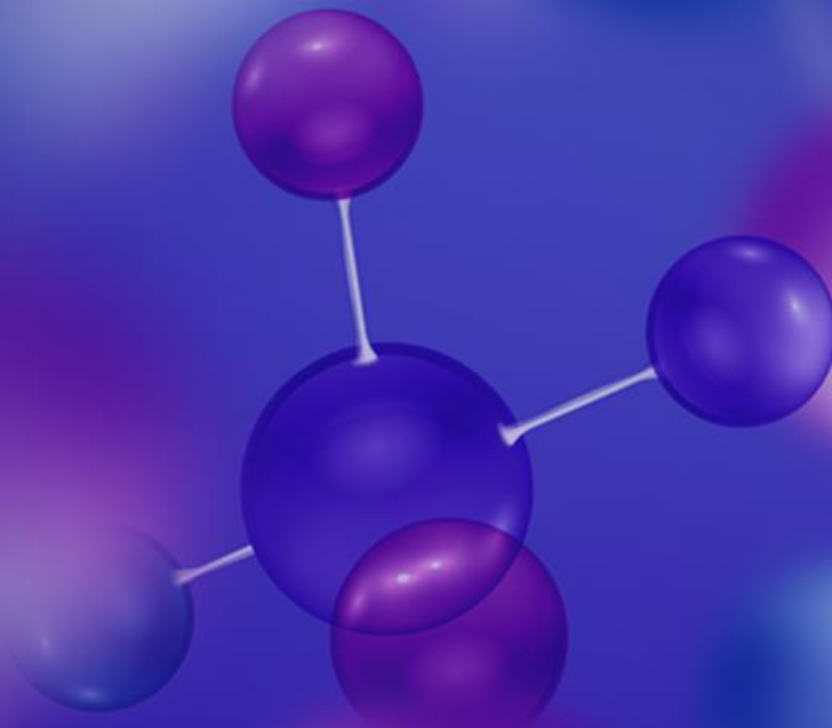


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# Company Overview

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# 01 General Information



**Company name** MolGenBio



**CEO** Yoon, Yeo Joon



**Established on** March 29, 2021



**Business areas** R&D of pharmaceuticals and API



**Address** Room 101, Building 141, Seoul National University

# 02. What is MGB doing?

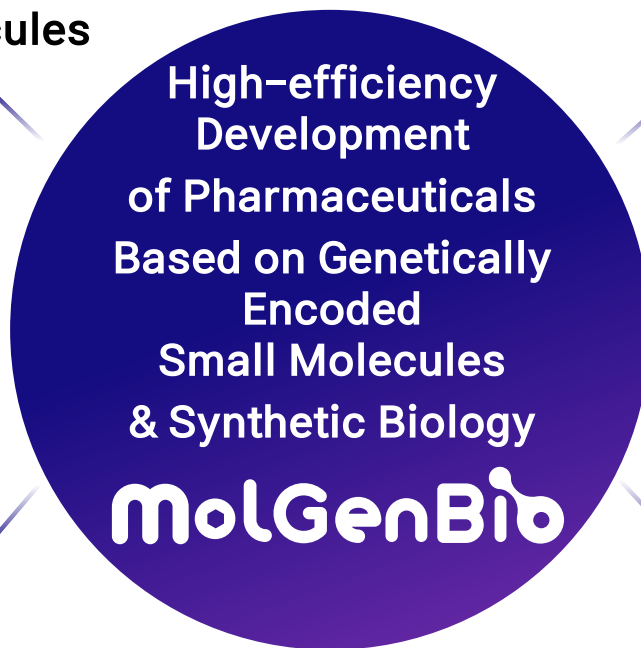
## Genetically encoded small molecules

Higher probability of success compared to synthetic materials  
Utilizing microbiomes



## Synthetic biology

Microbial genome scanning based on genomic signature  
Microbial genome editing  
Legoization of biosynthetic genes



## High-efficiency discovery of new active compounds



high-efficiency discovery of new active compounds based on pharmacophores  
Efficient mass production

## High-efficiency structure-activity modification



High-efficiency structural modification  
High-efficiency optimization and activity modification  
Creation of new activity and value

# 03. Difference & Identity



Global Leading Company in Synthetic Microbial Therapeutics

Top-notch R&D Capabilities

- Synthetic biology, natural product chemistry, and neuroscience research at the highest level
- More than 380 articles listed in SCI(E)

Strong Platform

- Synthetic biology-based mass production and structure-activity modification
- Genomic signature-based genome scanning
- Libraries of >5,000 microorganisms, >3,000 microbial genomes, and >700 small molecules

Pipeline Expandability

- Anti-CNS, anticancer, anti-infective
- Continuous discovery of new active compounds
- Continuous structure-activity modification

High Success Rate

- High success rate of genetically encoded small molecules
- Safety equivalent to that of existing drugs

# 04. About the CEO



## Professor, **Yoon, Yeo Joon** College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University

A world-leading researcher in biosynthesis and synthetic biology of genetically encoded small molecules  
First Elucidation of the biosynthetic pathways of FK506, kanamycin, and gentamicin

### Awards

- 1988 to 2000 – BS·MS·PhD at Dept. Chem. Technol. at Seoul Nat Univ.
- 1996 to 1998 – Visiting research fellow, University of Wisconsin
- 2000 to 2002 – Postdoctoral fellow, University of Minnesota
- 2002 to 2004 – Assistant professor, Department of Biochemical Engineering, University of Ulsan
- 2004 to 2020 – Professor, Department of Chemistry and Nanoscience, Ewha Womans University
- 2020 to present – Professor, Department of Manufacturing Pharmacy, Seoul National University
- 2014 to present – Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry (FRSC)

### Career

- Selected as the "Ministry of Education, Science and Technology's Representative Excellent Performance" (2009)
- Selected as "Basic Research Excellent Performance" and "Government R&D Excellent Performance" (2012)
- Awarded as "Best Scientist of the Month" (2012)
- Selected as "Y-KAST Frontier Scientist" (2014)
- Selected as "National R&D Excellent Performance" (2016)
- Selected as "Top 100 Core Future Technologies and Leaders in South Korea" (2017)
- Awarded with the "Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning Commendation" (2017)

### Achievements

- > 150 studies published in major journals
- H-index: 39
- Cited more than 5,500 times
- 44/29 domestic patent applications/registrations
- 27/12 international patent applications/registrations
- Six cases of technology transfer (over KRW 350 million)

### Publications

- Three studies published in Nature Chemical Biology
- Angewandte Chemie Int. Ed.
- Four studies published in Natural Product Reports
- PNAS
- J Am Chem Soc (First identification of FK506 biosynthesis, quoted more than 150 times)

### Editorial Board

- Nat Prod Rep
- Appl Microbiol Biotechnol
- Biomolecules
- J Microbiol Biotechnol
- BioMed Res Int

# 05. Co-founders



**Yoon, Yeo Joon**

Seoul National University  
College of Pharmacy

**Lead/candidate biosynthesis and optimization  
Development of mass-produced strains**

**Oh, Dong-Chan**

Seoul National University  
College of Pharmacy



**Cheong, Eunji**

Yonsei University  
Department of  
Biotechnology



Research on discovery of new natural products for over 20 years

**“Leading researcher in natural product chemistry”**

**Discovering new natural products**

- Ph.D., University of California, San Diego
- Director of Natural Products Research Institute, Seoul National University
- About 160 studies published
- Achievements: Science, Nat. Chem. Biol, Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Etc.

Research on physiological activity and signal of brain nerve cells for over 20 years

**“Leading researcher in neuroscience”**

**Efficacy, safety, and mechanism evaluation**

- Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh
- About 70 studies published
- Achievements: Neuron, Nat Commun, ACS Nano, PNAS, J. Neurosci. Etc.

# 06. Scientific Advisory Board

## Lee, Phil Hyu

Yonsei University  
Severance Hospital  
Department of Neurology



Research on neurological diseases for over 20 years

**“Renowned for neurological diseases such as Parkinson's disease”**

**Parkinson's disease specialist**

- Doctor of Medicine, Yonsei University (Neuroscience)
- Professor of Neurology at Severance Hospital
- Parkinson's disease · dementia · dyskinesias · EBS Best Doctors
- 2017 Pfizer Medical Research Award
- Achievements: Neurology, Brain, J. Neurochem., etc.

## Jo, Eun-Kyeong

Chungnam National University  
College of Medicine  
Microbiology Lab



Research on control of tuberculosis and infectious inflammation for 25 years

**“Leading researcher in the field of tuberculosis immunity”**

**Tuberculosis Immunization Specialist**

- Doctor of Medicine, Chungnam National University
- Director of Infection Control Convergence Medical Research Center (MRC), Chungnam National University
- About 200 studies published
- Achievements: Nat Immunol, Immunity, Cell Host & Microbe, Autophagy, etc.

## Shin, Sang Joon

Yonsei University  
Severance Hospital  
Department of Oncology



Development of big data analysis and decision support system for cancer treatment

**“Innovative drug development for cancer treatment”**

**Cancer treatment specialist**

- Doctor of Medicine, Yonsei University (Oncology)
- Professor, Department of Oncology, Cancer Hospital, Severance Hospital
- Director, Medical Information Security Center, Yonsei Medical Center
- Development of new drugs targeting melanoma, big data analysis, and CDSS development
- Achievements: Nature, etc.





## Platform Technology

Importance of Genetically Encoded Small Molecules

Unique New Drug Development Process of MGB

MtG: Drug Development Platform

MtG Expandability

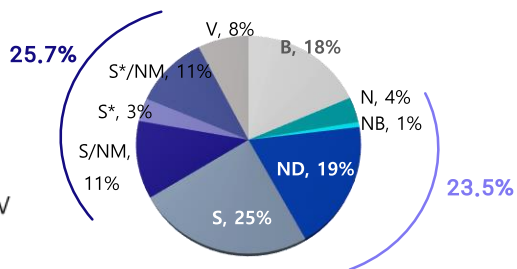
Pipeline Summary

# 01 Importance of Genetically Encoded Small Molecules (1)

## Genetically encoded small molecules: the richest resources for drug development

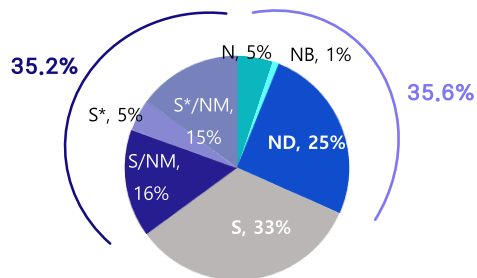
All new approved drug (1981–2019 ; n=1,881)

■ B ■ N ■ NB ■ ND ■ S  
■ S/NM ■ S\* ■ S\*/NM ■ V



All approved small-molecule drugs (n=1,211)

■ N ■ NB ■ ND ■ S  
■ S/NM ■ S\* ■ S\*/NM



B Biological; usually a large (>50 residues) peptide or protein  
 N Natural product  
 NB Natural product "Botanical"  
 ND Derived from a natural product and semisynthetic modification  
 S Totally synthetic drug  
 S\* The pharmacophore is/was from a natural product  
 V Vaccine

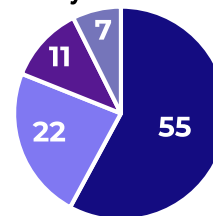
J. Nat. Prod. 2020, 83, 770 / J Antibiot. 2012, 65, 385

## Probability of new drug development with genetically encoded small molecules: 0.68%

Classification	Total number of substances	Number of medicines	Probability
Synthetic	~9,000,000	~2,250	0.025%
Natural	~500,000	~1,400	0.28%
Animal-derived	~100,000	~125	0.13%
Plant-derived	~350,000	~800	0.23%
Microorganism-derived	~70,000	~475	0.68%

### Mostly derived from streptomycetes/actinomycetes

- Streptomycetes
- Fungi
- Other actinomycetes
- Other bacteria



## Case of Lodo Therapeutics



### Genentech, Lodo Therapeutics Ink Up-to-\$969M Metagenomics Drug Discovery Partnership

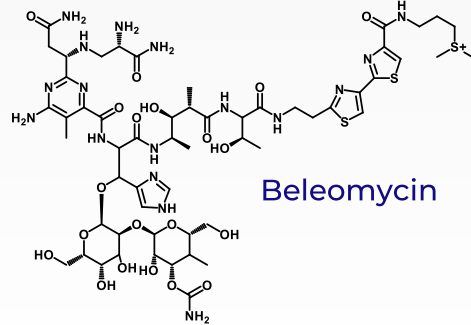
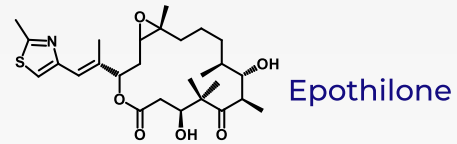
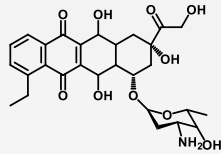
"Genentech signed a broad, open-ended drug discovery collaboration with Lodo Therapeutics that could be worth nearly \$1 billion, **focused on deriving unique, natural products from the microbial DNA found in soil**"

Source: May 9, 2018 | Genetic Engineering & Biotechnology News

# 01 Importance of Genetically Encoded Small Molecules (2)

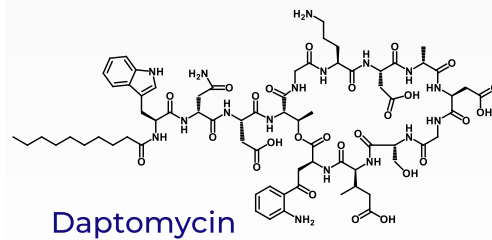
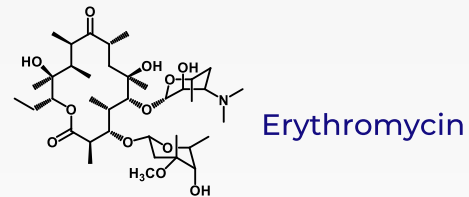
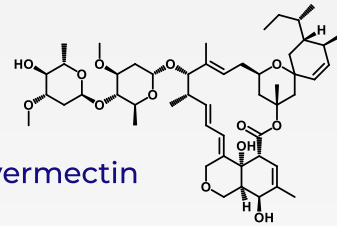
## Anticancer

Doxorubicin



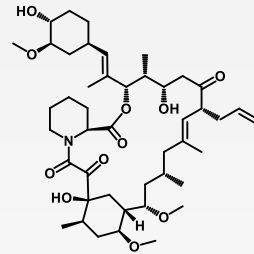
## Anti-infective

Avermectin

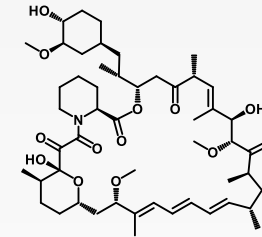


## Immunosuppressant

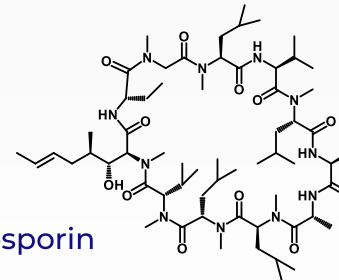
FK506 (tacrolimus)



Rapamycin (sirolimus)

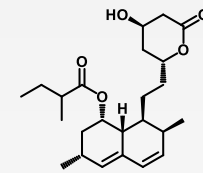


Cyclosporin

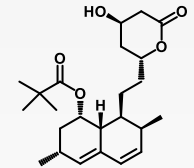


## Anti-cholesterol

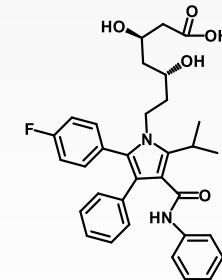
Lovastatin



Simvastatin

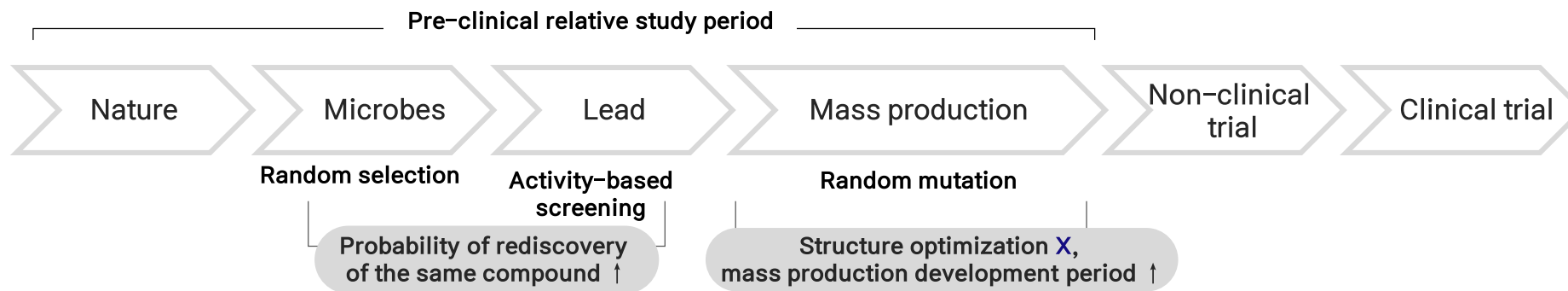


Atorvastatin

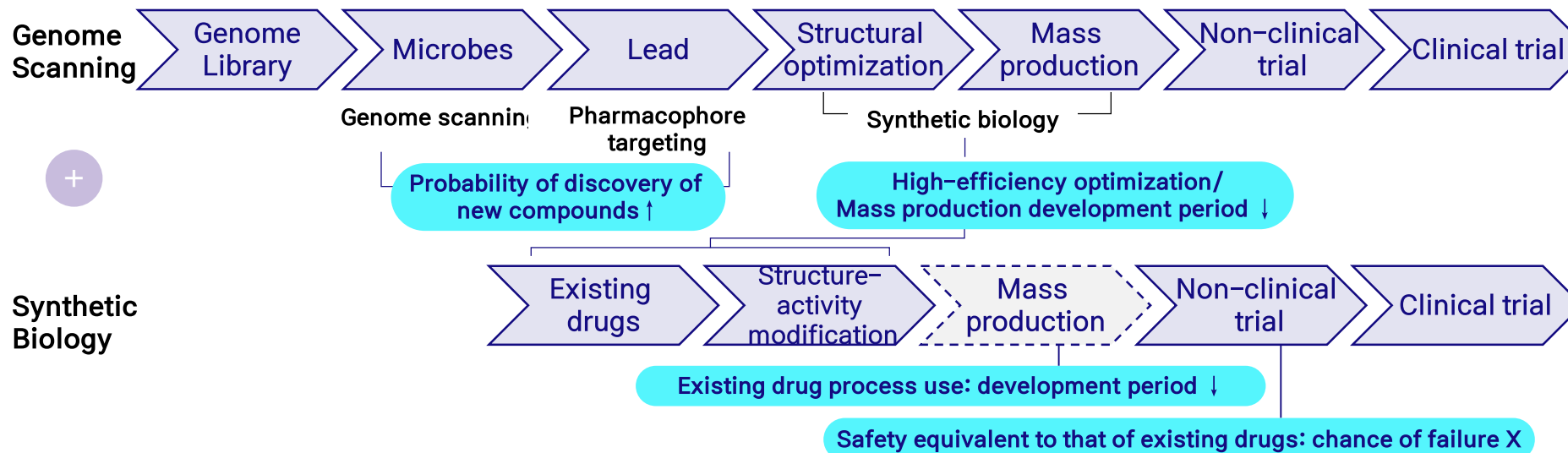


# 02. Unique New Drug Development Process of MGB

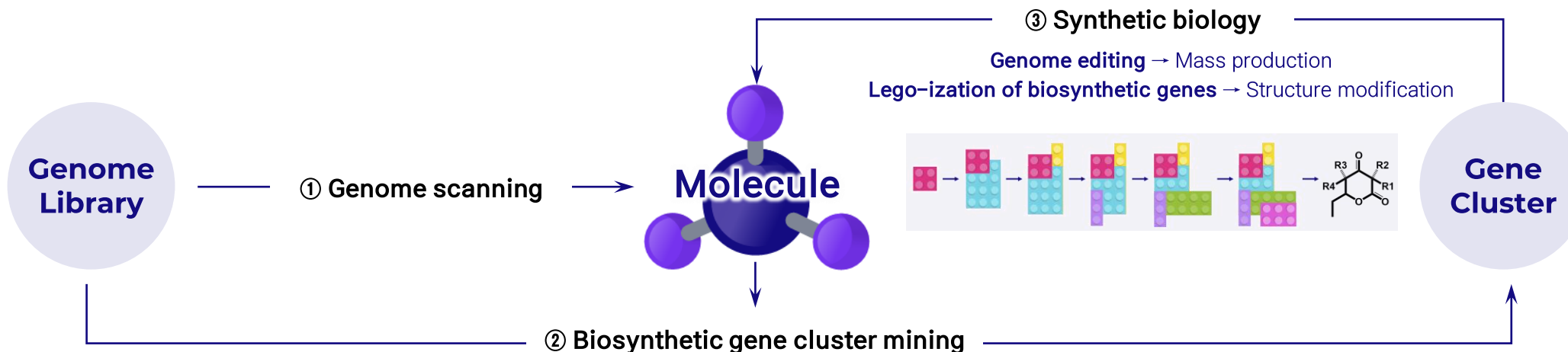
Traditional genetically encoded small-molecule drug development



MGB genetically encoded small-molecule drug development



# 03. MGB drug development platform, Molecule through Gene



## Molecule through Gene

**Efficient lead discovery based on genome scanning**

Probability of discovery of new compounds ▲  
Probability of discovery of effective activities ▲

**Synthetic biological structure-activity modification**

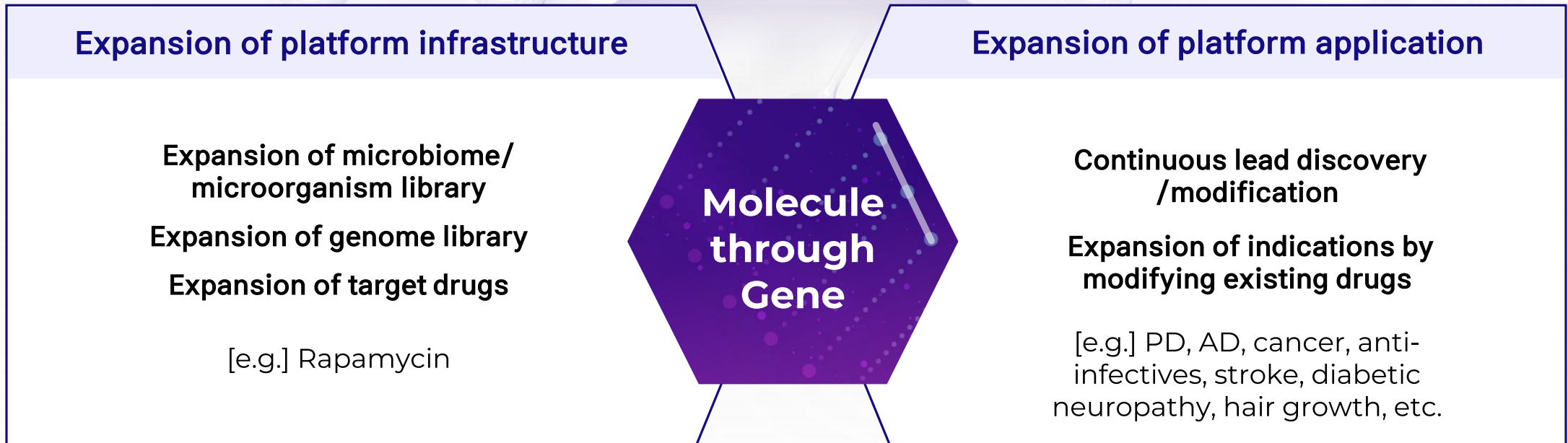
Structural modification efficiency ▲  
New activity creation ▲  
Safety ▲

**Synthetic biological massive production**

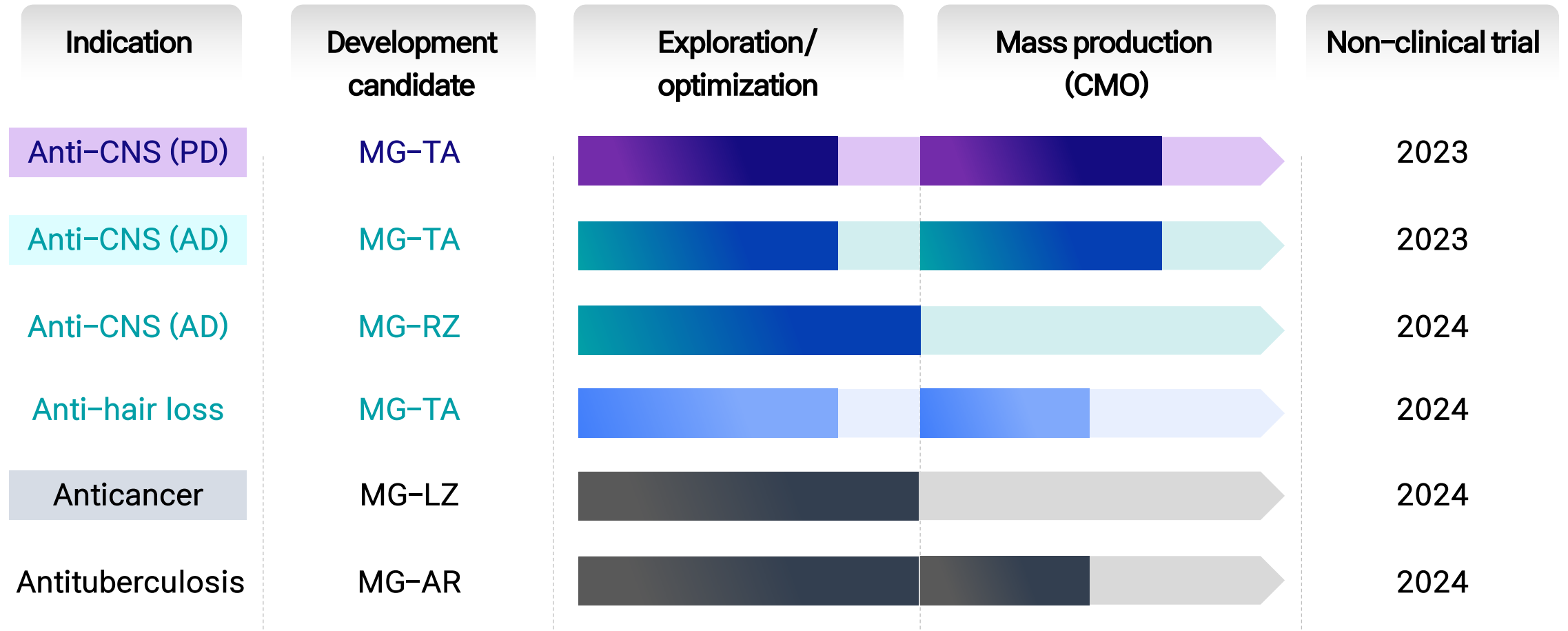
Ease of mass production ▲  
Selective production of target substances ▲

# 04. MtG Scalability

## Expansion of pipeline diversity through platform expansion



# 05 Pipeline Summary



# 03 Pipeline



Anti-CNS MG-TA

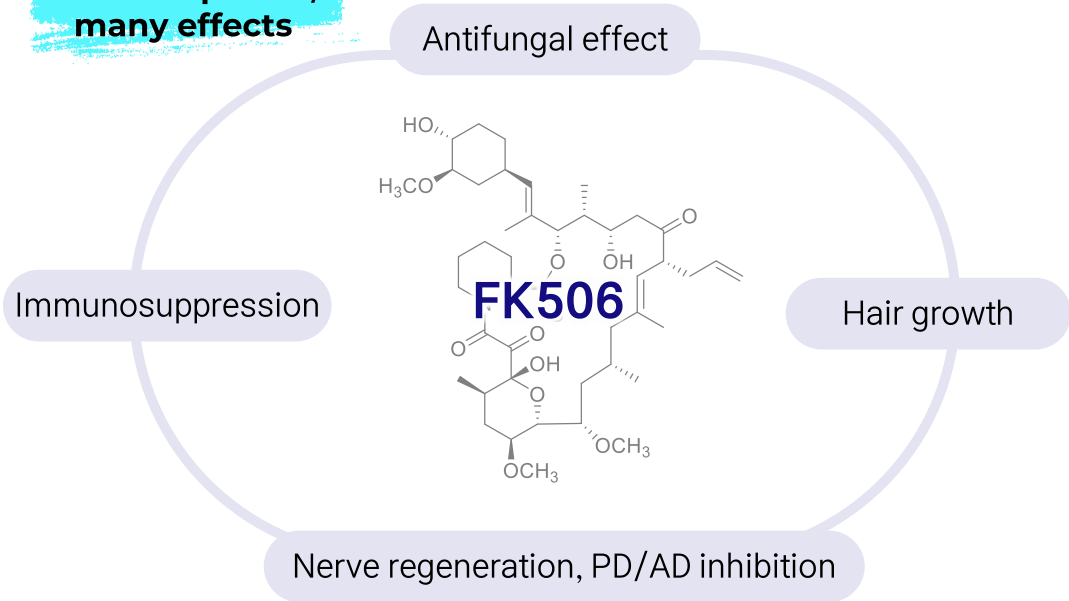




# 01 Technology Introduction (1)

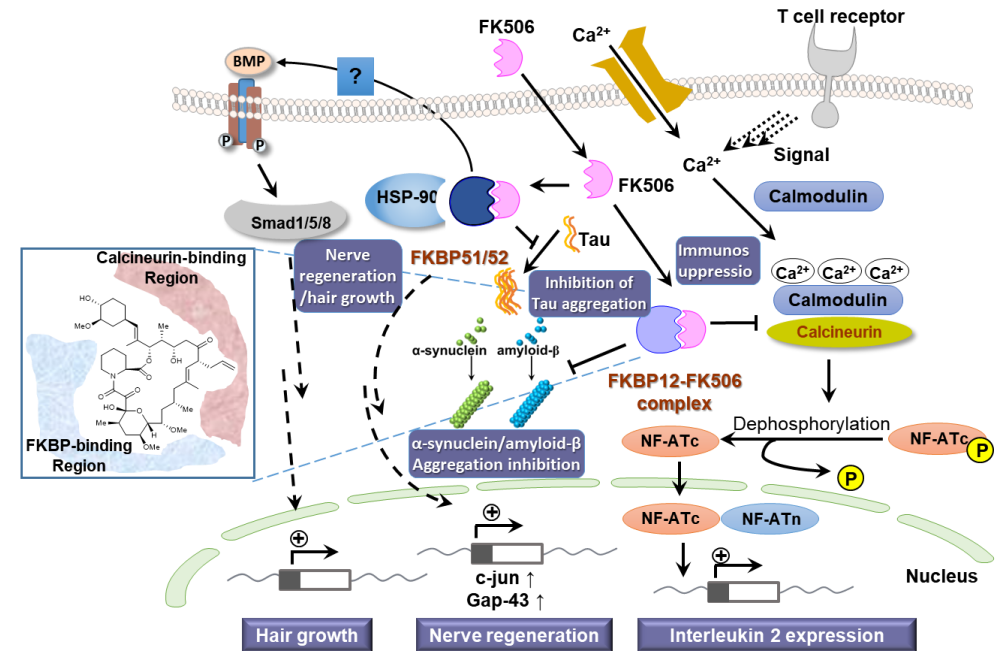
FK506: Immunosuppressants used to prevent the rejection of organ transplant

One compound, many effects



Elimination of immunosuppressive activity of FK506  
 ⇒ Safe nerve regeneration + PD/AD inhibition

FK506 structure modification ⇒ target protein binding regulation ⇒ activity regulation



FK506 + FKBP12 + Calcineurin → NF-ATc dephosphorylation X → IL2 expression ↓ Immunity ▼

α-synuclein/amyloid-β aggregation ▼

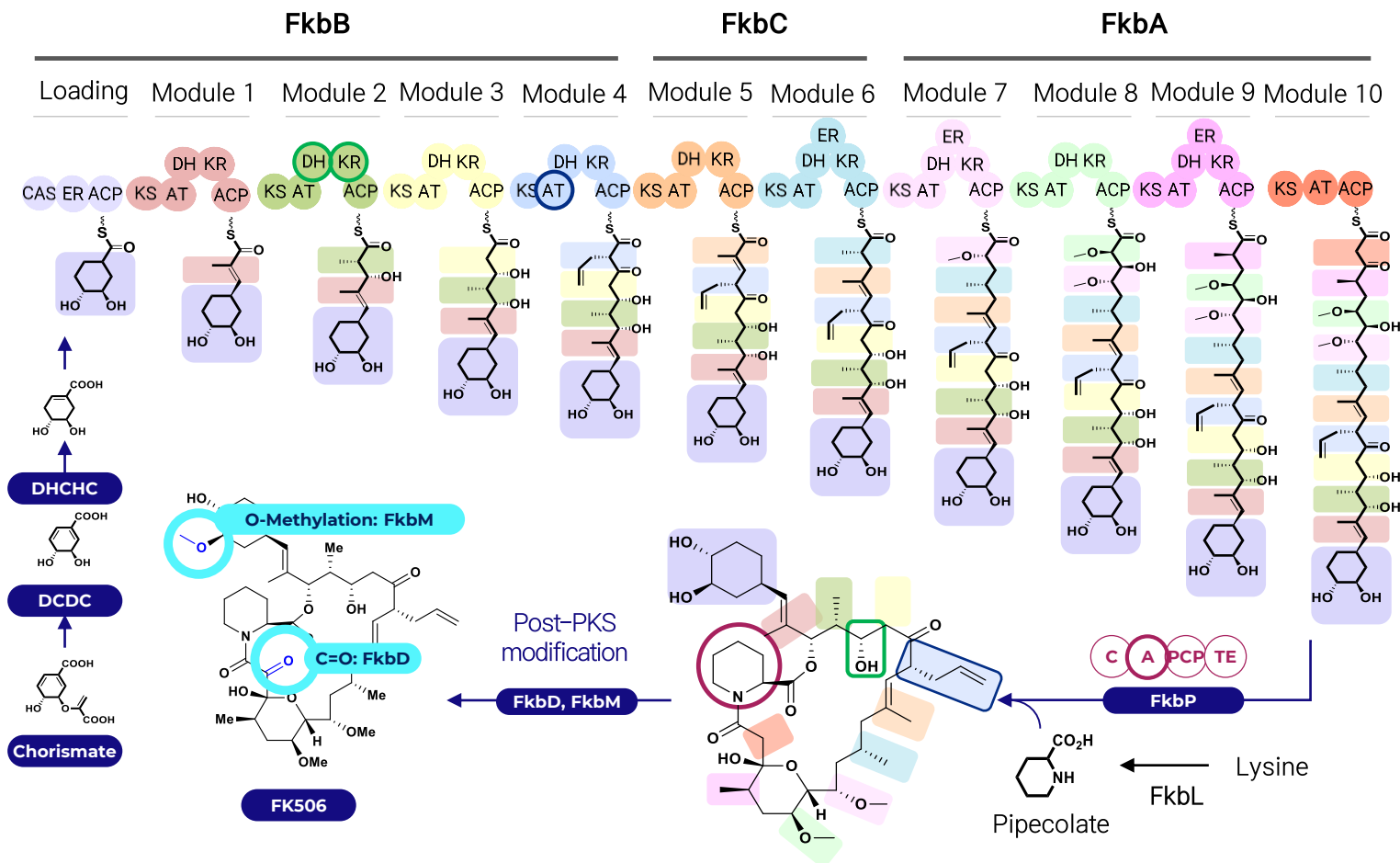
FK506 + FKBP51/52 → → → Neuroregeneration ▲ Hair growth ▲ (?)

Tau aggregation ▼, inflammation ▼

# 01 Technology Introduction (2)



## Biosynthetic pathway and synthetic biological modification of FK506



### FK506

- Biosynthesis by *Streptomyces* polyketide synthase (PKS) / nonribosomal synthetase (NRPS) hybrid system
- Domain composition of each module determining the chemical structure

### Complex chemical structure

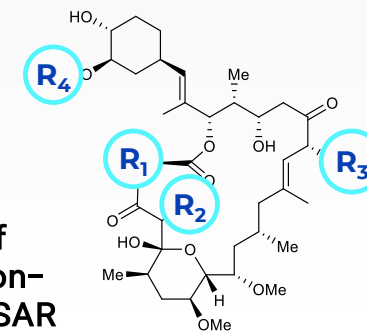
- Difficulty in chemical structure modification

### Synthetic biology-based

- Substitution, insertion, and removal (lego-ization) of domain/module
- Precise and free modification of FK506 chemical structure

Over 50 new derivatives biosynthesized

Establishment of immunosuppression-neuroregeneration SAR

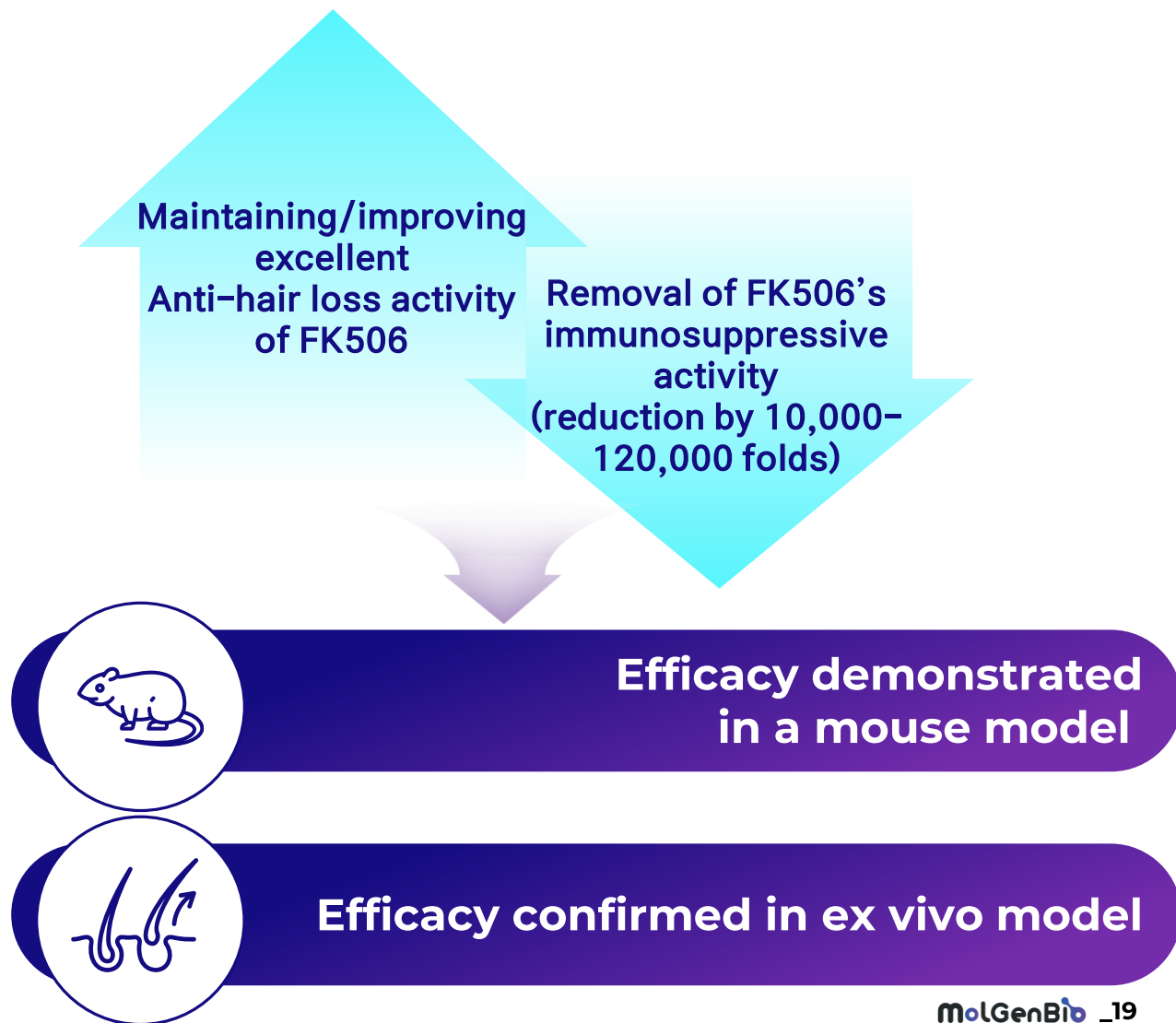


# 02. Summary of MG303/MG402

**Strength & Opportunity**  
**A new paradigm for topical hair growth**

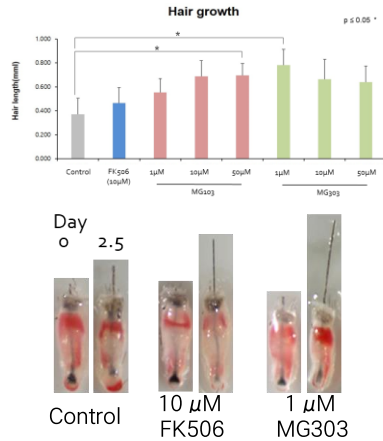
- Similar hair growth activity at a concentration of 1/50 to minoxidil
- Different mode of action compared with minoxidil
- Excellent hair growth-promoting efficacy and safety

**IP acquisition** 10-2019-0086645, PCT/KR2019/017523, US/China/EU patent application



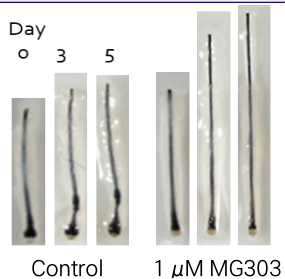
# 02. Results (1) MG303/MG402 Hair Growth-promoting Activity

## Mouse whisker hair follicle cell culture



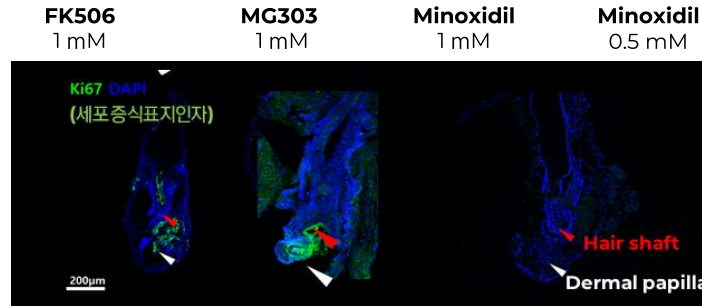
Increased hair follicle length and anagen induction/elongation

## Human hair follicle cell culture

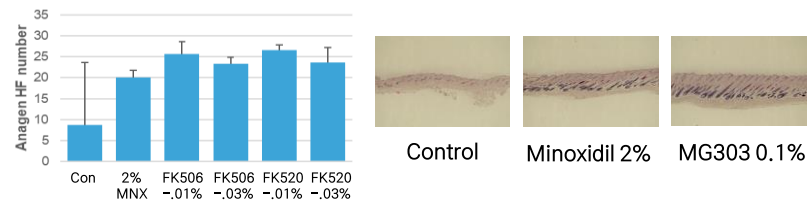


Anagen elongation

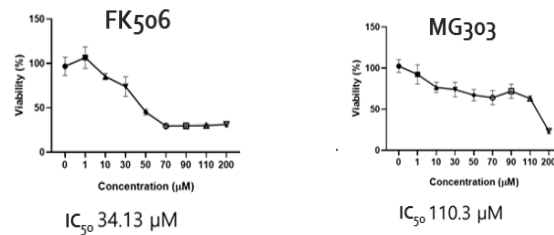
## Tissue analysis results: Anagen phase extension



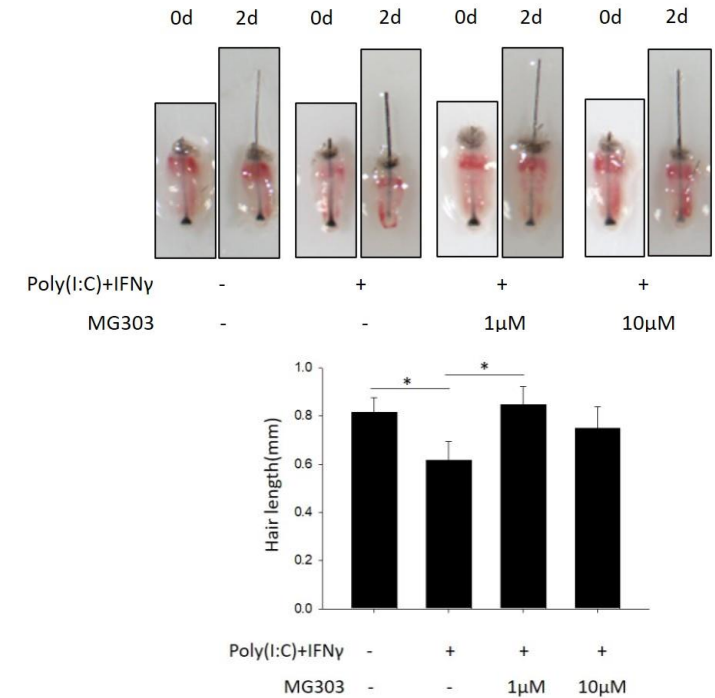
## Animal model: Increased number of anagen hair follicles



## Keratinocyte toxicity test



## Alopecia areata ex vivo model: Increase hair length



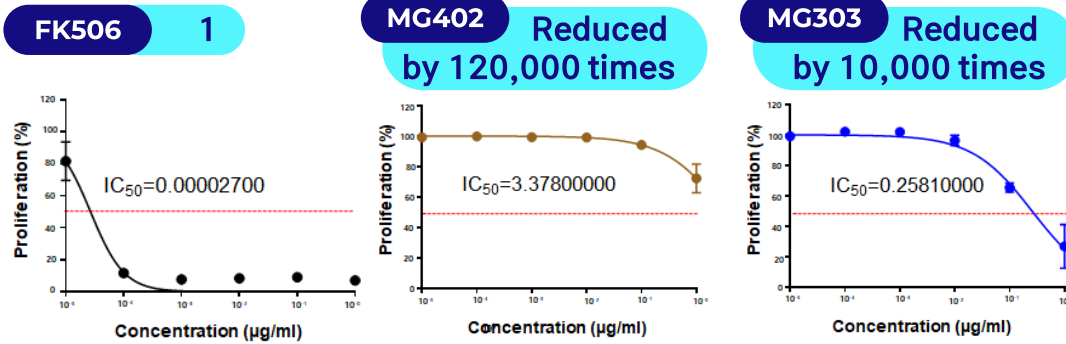
Increased hair follicle length in induced alopecia areata by poly(I:C), interferon $\gamma$ -treatment

# 02 Results (2) Safety of MG303/MG402



Safety proven to be equivalent to or higher than that of the existing FK506

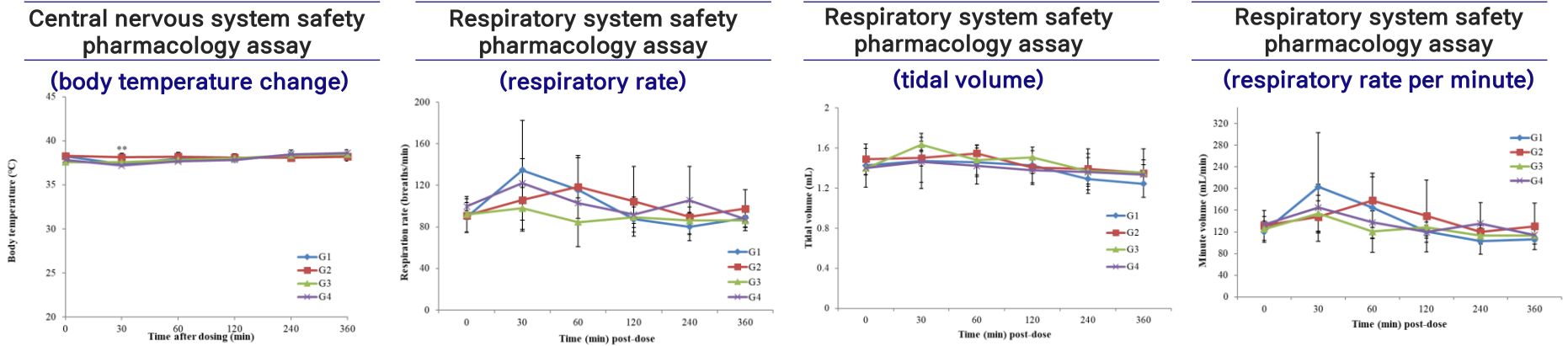
Immunosuppressive activity:  
Reduced by more than 100,000 times



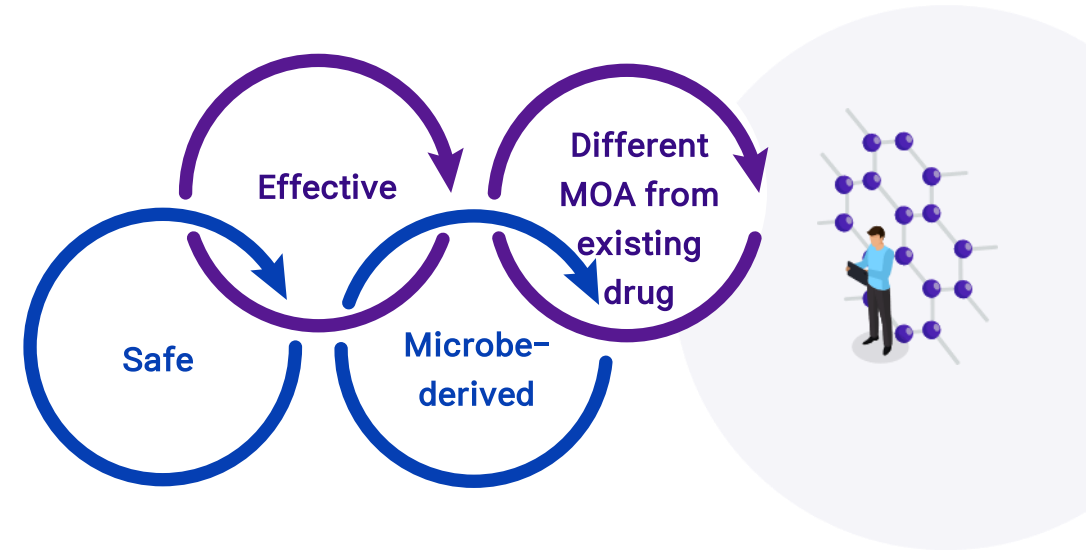
Cytotoxicity: No effect at a dose below 1 µM  
Genotoxicity (AMES test): No reverse mutation induced  
Cardiovascular safety (hERG assay): No potential risk  
Zebrafish fry safety assessment: No effect at a dose below 100 µM  
Mouse liver and kidney tissue assessment: No effect at a dose below 100 mpk (single-dose toxicity test)

Safety pharmacology test (rodents, single oral administration):  
No effect at a dose below 20 mpk

Data are expressed as Mean ± S.D.  
G1: Vehicle control group (DMSO)  
G2: Test article group (5 mg/kg)  
G3: Test article group (10 mg/kg)  
G4: Test article group (20 mg/kg)



# 03. Development Plan



## Development plan by year

Indication	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Hair growth	Mass production	Optimization/ additional efficacy test	Non-clinical trial	Phase 1 clinical trial	Phase 2 clinical trial	

**Thank You**

