

# **NB-016: First-in-class small-molecule MyD88 inhibitor**



Novel mechanism targeting innate immune signaling at its molecular origin. A New Chemical Entity and the world's first small-molecule MyD88 inhibitor; set to enter clinical-stage compassionate use. Breakthrough results across multiple dermatological indications. No competitor has reached clinical use with a small-molecule MyD88 inhibitor.

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## Novel mechanism targeting innate immune signaling at its molecular origin

MyD88 is the master switch of innate immunity, the single adaptor protein through which 13 of 14 Toll-Like Receptor sub-families signal. Blocking it addresses the root cause of the world's most prevalent chronic diseases. No approved drug does this. NB-016 is the first.

### The Problem

- Non-infectious inflammatory diseases are the #1 cause of chronic morbidity globally
- No existing therapy, biologic or small-molecule, is curative
- Biologics target single cytokines; steroids suppress broadly; neither addresses the signaling origin
- The TLR/MyD88 pathway drives autoimmune, oncological, neurological, metabolic and ischemic disease

### The Solution

- NB-016 blocks MyD88 dimerization, interrupting the cascade at its molecular origin
- 1.1 New Chemical Entity; AI-assisted drug design; 19 patents granted (US, EU, China)
- World's first MyD88 inhibitor in clinical-stage compassionate use
- 100% complete remission across all IIT dermatology cases
- >90% radical cure rate; 4+ year relapse-free follow-up confirmed
- Dual IND approval: China NMPA + US FDA; Phase II underway

**100%**

**Remission Rate**

IIT Dermatology

**19**

**Patents Granted**

US · EU · China

**2x**

**Dual IND Approval**

NMPA + FDA

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## Why Invest Now

De-risked, differentiated and development-ready. Three indications. One mechanism. A clear path to NDA and IPO by 2027–2028.

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Molecules Screened

Rigorous discovery program yielding 7 candidate drugs and 19 granted patents.

100%

IIT Remission Rate

Every enrolled patient achieved complete clinical remission across all dermatitis indications.

>90%

Radical Cure Rate

Durable, relapse-free outcomes confirmed at 4+ years — unprecedented in psoriasis.

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Clinical Indications

Dermatology (Phase II), Ophthalmology (IND prep), IRI/IV (IND prep). One mechanism drives all three.

**De-Risked:** Dual IND approval (NMPA + FDA). Phase I completed with clean safety profile. IIT clinical data in hand.

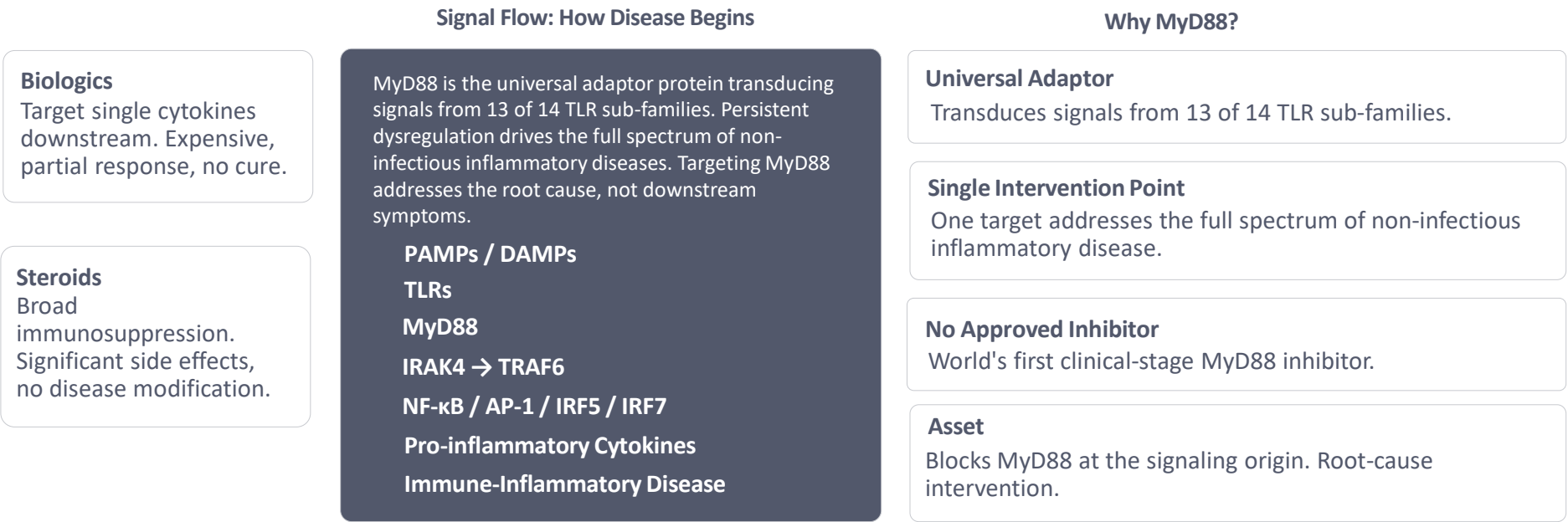
**Differentiated:** No approved MyD88 inhibitor exists globally. NB-016 is first-in-class with no competitor near clinical use.

**Near-Term Catalysts:** Phase II interim data, IPO (HKEX 2027), NDA submission (2028), global licensing discussions underway.

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## The Unmet Need & The Root Cause

Non-infectious inflammatory diseases are the leading cause of chronic morbidity globally. Existing therapies, biologics, steroids, immunosuppressants, manage symptoms but cannot cure. The TLR/MyD88 pathway, as the universal trigger of innate immune activation, represents the first genuine opportunity for root-cause intervention.



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## Disease Expansion Strategy: Three Lead Programs, One Validated Mechanism

Initial development is focused on dermatology, ophthalmology, and ischemia-reperfusion injury, with broader expansion opportunities supported by published MyD88 biology.

### Primary Development Targets (near-term value creation)

- Dermatology: Psoriasis, Atopic Dermatitis, Neurodermatitis
- Dry Eye Disease / Ocular Inflammation
- Ischemia-Reperfusion Injury (AMI, Stroke)

### Future Expansion Opportunities



#### Autoimmune

Systemic lupus erythematosus, psoriasis, Crohn's disease, type 1 diabetes, multiple sclerosis



#### Transplant Rejection

Allograft rejection, graft-versus-host disease (GVHD)



#### Metabolic-Inflammatory

Obesity, fatty liver disease, type 2 diabetes, metabolic inflammatory syndrome



#### Neurodegeneration

Alzheimer's disease, depression, Parkinson's disease, schizophrenia



#### Inflammation-associated cancers

Chronic hepatitis → liver cancer, IBD → colorectal cancer, bronchitis → lung cancers

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## Competitive Landscape & Mechanism of Action

### Competitive Landscape

#### Small-Molecule MyD88 Inhibitors

- NB-016: World's first MyD88 inhibitor in compassionate clinical use
- ST2825 (Sigma Tau, Italy): Laboratory reagent only; no clinical translation
- TIRAP/MyD88 inhibitor (Apion, Japan): Pre-clinical stage
- TLR inhibitors AS-2444697, PF-05387252: Lab experiments only
- NLR inhibitors (IFM, USA): Phase I (less clinically relevant pathway)

### Monoclonal Antibody Approaches

Novartis, Pfizer, BMS, Veloxis, and J&J have all pursued TLR-targeting antibodies — with largely unsuccessful results, as no single disease is driven by a single TLR isoform.

### Mechanistic Advantage of NB-016

MyD88 homodimerizes through its TIR domain. Continuous TLR stimulation drives excessive dimerization, triggering IRAK4, IRAK1/2, TRAF6, NF- $\kappa$ B, AP-1, IRF5, and IRF7.

NB-016 was designed to bind the Box3 region of the MyD88 TIR (Toll/Interleukin-1 Receptor) domain, preventing MyD88 homodimerization and interrupting downstream inflammatory signaling., binding to Ile179 and adjacent amino acids, specifically blocking TIR–TIR dimerization without affecting baseline immune competence.

First and only company globally with a small-molecule MyD88 inhibitor demonstrating clinical-stage human efficacy data.

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## Drug Discovery, IP & Development Pipeline

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### Bioactive Molecules

Synthesized and screened across multiple chemical scaffolds

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### Candidate Drugs

Progressed into formal preclinical or clinical development programs

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### Lead Compounds

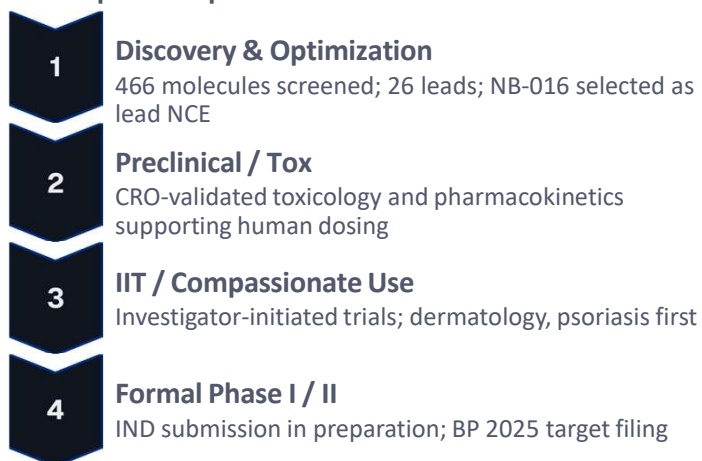
Advanced through structure-activity relationship optimization

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### Patents Granted

13 invention patents + 6 international patents; US & EU grants confirmed

## Development Pipeline



## Strategic Position

NB-016 is the lead NCE advancing through a structured development program, with IIT data already demonstrating clinical-stage human efficacy across multiple dermatological indications.

- Lead NCE with IIT-confirmed human efficacy
- Dual IND approval: China NMPA + US FDA
- 19 patents granted across US, EU, and China

## IP Portfolio

### 13 Invention Patents

Core composition-of-matter and method-of-use claims

### 6 International Patents

US and EU grants confirmed

### AI-Assisted Design

Proprietary scaffold optimization across aminothiazoles, imidazoles, piperidines

### Wholly Owned IP

All rights held exclusively

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## 1% Dermatitis Ointment: Rationale & Preclinical Proof

### Strategic Rationale

Topical delivery provides high local drug concentration at the site of pathology, minimizes systemic exposure for an optimal safety profile, and offers a rapid proof-of-concept pathway for a first-in-class molecule. Psoriasis, a well-characterized TLR/MyD88-driven autoimmune disease, was selected as the lead indication.

### Indication Scope

The 1% ointment is being developed as a multi-purpose topical agent for all categories of non-infectious dermatitis, including:

- Psoriasis (autoimmune): lead clinical indication
- Atopic dermatitis / eczema
- Neurodermatitis
- Proteinosis dermatitis
- Allergic contact dermatitis

## Preclinical Data: Comparison with Tapinarof

In the IMQ (imiquimod)-induced murine psoriasis model, the gold-standard preclinical test, 1% ointment demonstrated complete normalization of skin thickness and histology by Day 7, outperforming 1% Tapinarof, the most recently approved topical comparator.

### IMQ-Model Preclinical Results: NB-016 vs. 1% Tapinarof

| Metric                            | 1% Ointment               | 1% Tapinarof          |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Epidermal thickness normalization | Day 7 (complete)          | Not achieved at Day 7 |
| Macroscopic skin appearance       | Fully normalized by Day 7 | Partial improvement   |
| Inflammatory cell infiltrate      | Cleared by Day 7          | Reduced, not cleared  |
| Erythema & scaling (Day 3)        | Significant reduction     | Mild reduction        |
| Overall outcome                   | Superior                  | Comparator            |

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## IIT Clinical Design & Psoriasis Results: 100% Cure Rate

### Study Framework

Compassionate use therapy IIT conducted at the Department of Dermatology, Wuhan Central Hospital, affiliated with Huazhong University of Science and Technology. All patients provided written informed consent. Ethics approval was based on CRO-validated preclinical toxicology and pharmacokinetic data.

- Physician-guided topical application
- Photographic documentation at each visit
- Structured follow-up with outcome recording
- PGA and PASI scoring applied for psoriasis quantification

**Institution & Ethics**  
Dept of Dermatology, Wuhan Central Hospital (Huazhong UST). Ethics Ref. 2018-12; CRO-validated preclinical tox & PK data.

**Scoring**  
PGA (Physician Global Assessment) + PASI (Psoriasis Area Severity Index)

**Follow-up**  
Structured visits with photographic documentation at each timepoint

100%

PGA 0/1 Clearance

At 2 weeks. Tapinarof: 66.3% at 12 wks. Calcipotriol: 63.9% at 12 wks.

100%

PASI75 at 16 Weeks

87.5% at 4 weeks; 100% at 16 weeks. Tapinarof: 50.4% at 12 wks.

>90%

Radical Cure Rate

3 cases: 4+ years relapse-free. 1 case: 1+ year. No cure on record for any approved therapy.

No currently approved medication, biologic or small-molecule, has demonstrated radical cure in psoriasis. NB-016 is the first.

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## Clinical Responses Across Multiple Dermatologic Conditions

This asset demonstrated curative outcomes across every dermatological indication treated under the compassionate use framework.

### Additional Dermatology Cases Treated

| Condition                     | Outcome                                                  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Atopic Dermatitis (Eczema)    | Rapid itch reduction and lesion clearance                |
| Neurodermatitis               | Sustained remission during follow-up                     |
| Chronic Refractory Dermatitis | Significant improvement after failure of prior therapies |

### Case #10 — Male, 48 · Psoriasis

Diagnosed with psoriasis for 10 years with no prior effective treatment. After 2 weeks of 1% NB-016 ointment, marked plaque clearance documented photographically. After 7 weeks, near-complete remission with no significant adverse events.



### Case #6 — Female · Atopic Dermatitis

Significant reduction in erythema, scaling and pruritus within 14 days; progressive clearance confirmed through full treatment period.

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## Total IIT Summary: One Drug. All Indications. Curative.

Across every enrolled patient and every indication, NB-016 delivered outcomes no approved therapy has ever achieved.



### Rapid Onset

Symptom relief measurable within minutes to hours of first application



### >90% Radical Cure

Durable, relapse-free outcomes sustained for up to 4+ years post-treatment



### 100% Complete Remission

Every enrolled patient achieved full clinical remission across all dermatitis types



### Skin Restoration

Reduced scar tissue formation and pigmentation; measurable skin whitening and texture improvement

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## IIT Clinical Cases: Photographic Evidence

Serial photographic documentation across all IIT cases confirmed progressive lesion clearance, results for clinical research only; distribution prohibited.

### Case 5 — Neurodermatitis (Female)

Refractory scalp and periscapular neurodermatitis. Erythema resolved by week 2; no relapse at 3-year follow-up.

Case 5: Female, chronic neurodermatitis



Neurodermatitis of the scalp, occiput, and interscapular area, with recurrent episodes over many years. Erythema, induration, and pruritus. Ineffective with other medications. Treated with INNA1605 ointment for 3 weeks, with resolution of erythema and cessation of pruritus, showing significant efficacy. The patient continues to maintain normal skin recovery. No recurrence for 3 years. (Same patient)

### Case 9 — Proteinosis Dermatitis (Male)

>10 years' duration, refractory to all prior therapy. Pruritus resolved rapidly; lesions significantly reduced within 1 month.

Case 9: Male, Proteinosis Dermatitis

Ten years of persistent proteinosis dermatitis with pruritus, progressive extensive skin lesions, and no response to any medications.

After using INNA1605 (1%) topical ointment, the pruritus was significantly relieved, the skin lesions improved, and after 1 month of treatment there was obvious lightening. The patient is continuing treatment and requires another 3 months of therapy as requested.

(Same patient; clinical study data. Images unretouched.)



### Case 6 — Atopic Dermatitis (Female)

Marked reduction in erythema and scaling at 2 weeks; progressive clearance confirmed.



### Case 10 — Psoriasis, Male 48 (10-year history)

Near-complete plaque resolution at 2 and 7 weeks.



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## Phase I Safety Data & Development Timeline

NB-016 has received dual IND approval from China's NMPA and the US FDA, all Phase I cohorts completed with no drug-related adverse events requiring intervention.

| Group                  | n | Completion | Withdrew (AE) | Drug-Related AE                                              | Conc.-Dependent AE |
|------------------------|---|------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| SAD 1% (60 mg)         | 8 | 100%       | 0             | 1 occasional bradycardia (not conc.-related; no tx required) | 0/32               |
| SAD 3% (180 mg)        | 8 | 100%       | 0             | 0                                                            | 0                  |
| SAD 3% (270 mg)        | 8 | 100%       | 0             | 0                                                            | 0                  |
| MAD 3% QD (160 mg/day) | 8 | 100%       | 0             | 0                                                            | 0/8                |
| MAD 3% QD (320 mg/day) | 8 | 100%       | 0             | 1 premature beat; conc.-independent; no tx required          | 0/8                |

### PK Parameters (Maximum Dose)

#### SAD 360 mg:

- Cmax: 514.5 ± 122.78 pg/mL
- Tmax: 24 ± 6 h
- AUClast: 10,306 ± 2,856 h·pg/mL

**MAD 320 mg/day:** No unexpected events; data in processing.

### Conclusion

No clinically significant drug-related AEs at any dose level. NB-016 demonstrates a favourable safety profile.

Phase II may proceed.



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## Indication 2: Ophthalmic Ointment for Dry Eye Syndrome

The same MyD88 inhibition mechanism that cures psoriasis also addresses dry eye syndrome (DES), Sjögren's syndrome, and allergic conjunctivitis — a \$5B+ market with no disease-modifying treatment.

### Disease Profile

- Affects 20–30% of adults globally
- No approved disease-modifying therapy
- Rapid regulatory pathway via topical formulation

### Scientific Rationale

Peer-reviewed evidence confirms MyD88 as a central mediator of dry eye-induced corneal damage:

- MyD88 Deficiency Protects Against Dry Eye-Induced Damage. *Invest Ophthalmol Vis Sci.* 2018;59(7):2967–2976.
- Myd88 required in primary Sjögren's syndrome mouse model. *J Leukoc Biol.* 2017;102(6):1411–1420.
- Toll-like receptors in ocular surface disease (review). *Exp Eye Res.* 2010;90(6):679–87.

### Market Opportunity

- \$5B+ addressable market
- 20–30% adult prevalence globally
- No disease-modifying competitor
- Rapid IND pathway via topical formulation

**\$5B+**

Market Size

**20–30%**

Adult Prevalence

**0**

Approved Disease-Modifying Therapies

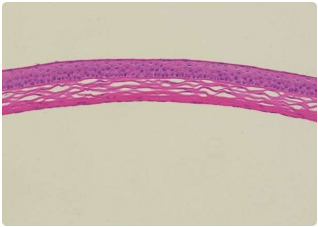
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## Dry Eye Preclinical Evidence and Development Status

Fluorescein staining of corneal epithelium quantifies surface damage in a murine dry eye model. Reduced fluorescent signal indicates therapeutic response. Histopathological sections confirm complete structural restoration after 14 days of 2% INNA1605 eye ointment.

### Normal Cornea — Control

Intact, stratified epithelium with regular surface architecture. Histological reference standard.



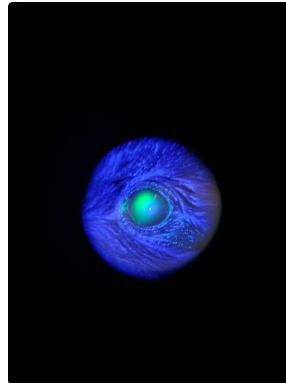
### Untreated Dry Eye Syndrome

Marked epithelial disruption with erosion, thinning and loss of cellular integrity from MyD88-driven inflammation.



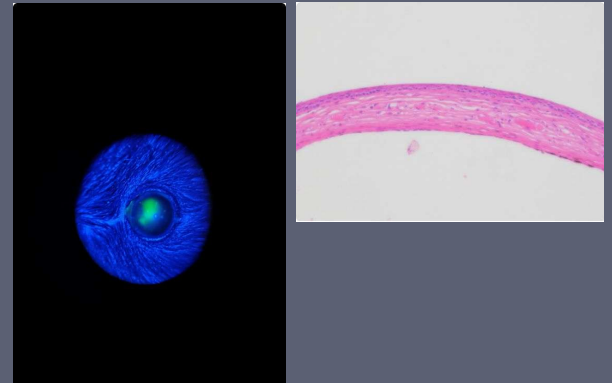
### Day 10 — Partial Response

Visibly reduced corneal fluorescein staining vs. untreated controls. Epithelial damage scores decreased across all treated animals.



### Day 14 — Full Recovery

Fluorescein staining fully eliminated. Epithelial architecture completely restored — indistinguishable from normal control.



## Day 7

Fluorescein Reduction First  
Observed

## Day 14

Complete Epithelial Restoration  
Confirmed

## 100%

Treated Animals  
Achieving Full Recovery

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## Indication 3: IV Formulation for Ischemia-Reperfusion Injury

NB-016 is an intravenous MyD88 inhibitor targeting ischemia-reperfusion injury (IRI), the acute inflammatory cascade triggered when blood flow is restored after AMI or ischemic stroke. No approved pharmacological treatment exists. A successful MyD88 inhibitor would be the first of its kind.

### ♥ Heart (AMI)

IRI accounts for up to 50% of final infarct size. No approved pharmacotherapy targets the reperfusion injury itself.

### 🧠 Brain (Stroke)

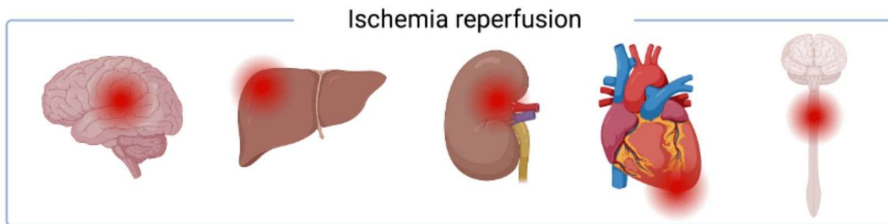
Cerebral IRI drives neurological deficits post-stroke. tPA and thrombectomy cannot prevent IRI-mediated damage.

### 🫁 Liver / Kidney / Lung

IRI is the principal cause of primary graft non-function in solid organ transplantation. Animal studies complete with published results.

In AMI, ischemic DAMPs activate TLR/MyD88 signalling, triggering a cytokine storm that amplifies necrosis 3–4× beyond the initial ischemic zone on reperfusion. NB-016 interrupts this cascade at its molecular origin.

## Preclinical Data: 70% Necrosis Reduction



### Untreated IRI

Necrosis expands beyond the ischemic core into a substantially larger IRI-extended zone. No pharmacological intervention exists. Result: permanent myocardial loss, reduced ejection fraction and elevated mortality.

### Treatment

MyD88 inhibition breaks the inflammatory amplification loop at reperfusion. IRI-mediated necrosis is fully suppressed. Final necrotic area reduced by 70%.

IRI can be fully prevented with MyD88 inhibitor treatment. This is the first drug candidate to demonstrate this across multiple organ systems.

Animal experiments across all organ IRI indications are complete. Results published in peer-reviewed journals.

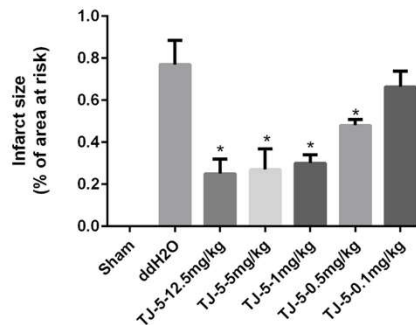
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## Protection Against Reperfusion Injury

NB-016 is the world's first small-molecule MyD88 inhibitor demonstrated to prevent ischemia-reperfusion injury (IRI) across multiple organ systems. Intravenous administration reduces necrotic area by up to 80% in validated cardiac and cerebral infarction models.

### The Reperfusion Problem

68% of total myocardial infarct area is attributable to reperfusion injury. Only 32% results from ischemia alone. The majority of infarct damage is preventable.



### Dose-Response Evidence

Across doses from 1 to 12.5 mg/kg IV, TJ-5 significantly reduced infarct size versus ddH<sub>2</sub>O control. The optimal range of 1 to 5 mg/kg showed statistically significant reduction ( $p < 0.05$ ), confirmed in both myocardial and cerebral models with necrosis reduction of 70 to 80% across tissue types.

Source: Miao, Yan et al. *American Journal of Translational Research*, vol. 12,9: 5151–5169. Sep. 2020.

**80%**

Max Necrosis Reduction

**68%**

Infarct Area from Reperfusion

**70–80%**

Necrosis Reduction Across Tissue Types

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## IRI Program Development Plan and Commercial Opportunity

NB-016's IRI program is the company's most validated pipeline, with preclinical data across cardiac, cerebral, hepatic, renal, and pulmonary models. The same MyD88 mechanism is now being extended into CNS indications, specifically Major Depressive Disorder, via an oral formulation.

### IRI: Completed Milestones

- CMC development and pilot-scale production
- Sino-US dual IND declaration documents prepared
- Preclinical studies including DSE and DMPK
- Pharmacodynamics and formulation studies
- Compassionate treatment clinical case data collected

### IRI: Upcoming Milestones

**3 to 5 Months**  
Long-term toxicology completed; IND filed in China and USA

**~12 Months**  
Phase II initiated; Priority Listing designation sought



**~6 Months**  
Phase I clinical trial completed

**~18 Months**  
Phase III with NDA submission

### IRI Preclinical Scope

**Cardiac**  
Myocardial infarction; 70–80% necrosis reduction

**Cerebral**  
Ischemic stroke; confirmed in cerebral infarction models

**Hepatic / Renal / Pulmonary**  
Multi-organ validation completed

## MDD Preclinical Evidence

In a validated repeated brief deprivation stress model, TJ-M2010-5 prevented depressive-like behaviors and suppressed neuroinflammatory markers, with significant improvements across behavioral endpoints consistent with antidepressant efficacy. (Source: *Brain, Behavior, and Immunity* 108 (2023) 204–220.)

### MDD Behavioral Data

TJ-M2010-5 significantly reduced depressive-like behavior scores vs. control in validated stress models.

### Neuroinflammation Suppression

MyD88 inhibition reduced microglial activation and pro-inflammatory cytokine expression in CNS tissue.

## Commercial Strategy — Full Pipeline Optionality

### Dermatology Ointment

Eczema, neurodermatitis, urticaria. Large market; favorable regulatory pathway.

### Mucosal & Ophthalmic

Rhinitis nasal drops, asthma inhalants, dry eye drops, organ preservation.

### Cardiac & Cerebral IRI (IV)

AMI, cerebral infarction, vein graft protection. Most mature preclinical package.

### GI Oral Preparations

Colitis, colorectal cancer, gastritis, gastric cancer.

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## First-in-Class Across Three Development Programs

One mechanism. Three development programs. Each targeting a large market with no approved curative therapy.

### Programs

#### 1. Dermatology Ointment

Psoriasis, atopic dermatitis, neurodermatitis. Phase II underway. Dual IND. 100% remission in IIT. NDA/IPO target 2027–2028.

#### 2. Ophthalmic Ointment

Dry eye, Sjögren's, allergic conjunctivitis. Preclinical complete. IND preparation underway.

#### 3. IV Formulation (IRI)

AMI and ischemic stroke. First-in-class. 70% necrosis reduction in animal models.

### Platform Advantages

#### Unique Mechanism

No approved MyD88 inhibitor exists globally. INNA1605 is first-in-class across dermatology, ophthalmology and emergency medicine.

#### Clinical Validation

9+ psoriasis cases with 100% clearance and >90% radical cure. PASI outcomes exceed all approved therapies. Phase I safety confirmed.

#### Regulatory Readiness

Dual IND approval (China NMPA and US FDA). Phase II ongoing. NDA and IPO targeted for 2027 to 2028.

Actively seeking financing and strategic licensing partners. Qualified investors and pharma partners are invited to engage.

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## Investment Thesis: A Platform Compound

NB-016 is a platform compound, not a single-indication drug. Validated across cardiac, cerebral, dermatological, neuropsychiatric and oncological models, it targets one of the most consequential pathways in modern medicine.

### First-in-Class

No approved MyD88 inhibitor exists. NB-016 will define a new therapeutic category.

### De-Risked Preclinically

Multi-model efficacy data, completed CMC and compassionate use clinical signals substantially reduce early-stage development risk.

### Near-Term Catalysts

IND filings in China and the US within 3 to 5 months provide clear, near-term value-creation milestones.

### Platform Optionality

13+ indications across 5+ formulation types offer exceptional upside and portfolio diversification from a single validated mechanism.

We are actively seeking strategic financing and licensing partners. Qualified investors and pharma partners are invited to engage.

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