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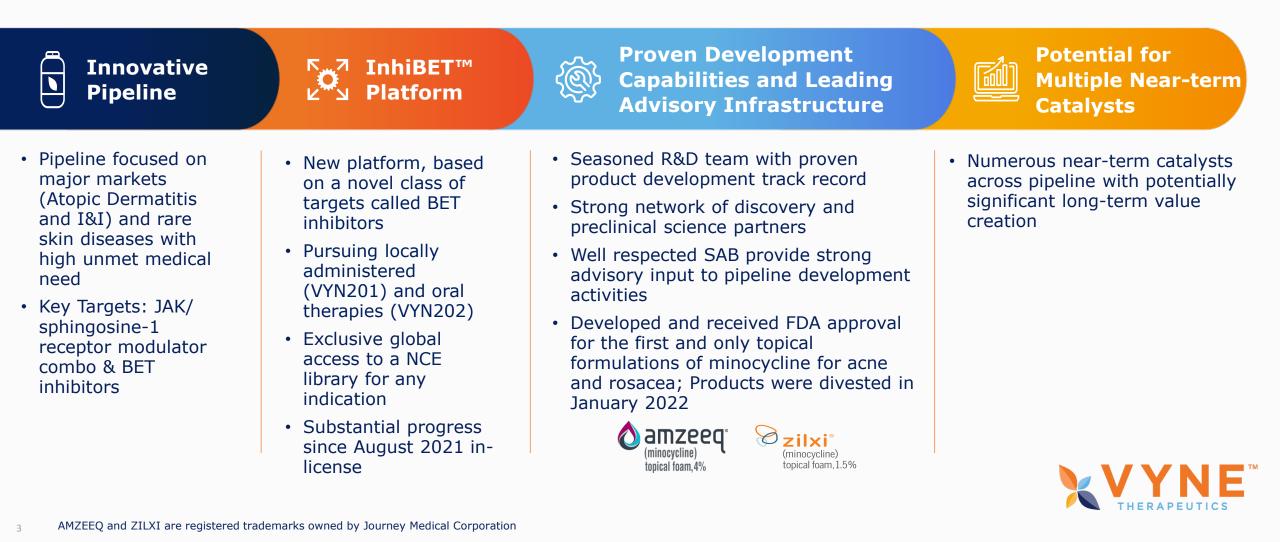
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# **Investment Highlights (NASDAQ: VYNE)**

VYNE is focused on developing proprietary, innovative, and differentiated therapies for the treatment of immuno-inflammatory conditions



# **Targeted Clinical Milestones through 2023**

# **Driving Pipeline to Proof-of-Concept**

Target	<b>Candidate Selection</b>	Preclinical	Clinical Trials	Near-Term Catalysts
<b>FMX114</b> Mild-to-moderate Atopic Dermatitis	Phas	e 1b/2a		Phase 1b/2a complete Review of full data set ongoing
VYN201 Locally administered Pan-BD BET inhibitor	Vitiligo (topical administration) IND-enabling studies underway			Q4 2022: FPI Phase 1 for Vitiligo
	Undisclosed indication (non-topical administration)			2023: Clinic-ready
VYN202 Oral BD2 BET inhibitor <sup>1</sup>	Candidate Selection process underway			2022: Candidate Selection

#### **Exclusive Access to Library of NCE BET Inhibitors for Any Indication Worldwide**

1. Initial indication for VYN202 to be communicated following candidate selection, exercise of option and completion of requisite pre-clinical evaluations TLR = Top Line Results; FPI = First Patient In/Enrolled



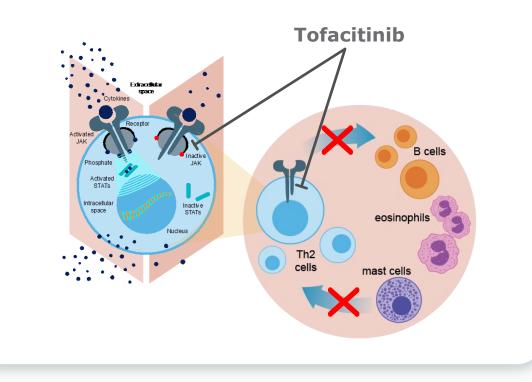
# **FMX114** Tofacitinib and Fingolimod Topical Gel for Atopic Dermatitis





# **FMX114:** Designed to address both the source & cause of inflammation in AD

#### **Tofacitinib (Janus kinase Inhibitor)** Reduces inflammation intracellularly by inhibiting cytokine release from inflammatory cells<sup>1</sup>



**Fingolimod (Sphingosine 1-phosphate receptor modulator)** Reduces inflammation by inhibiting migration of inflammatory cells<sup>2</sup>. May directly support upregulation of filaggrin and skin barrier recovery<sup>3,4</sup>

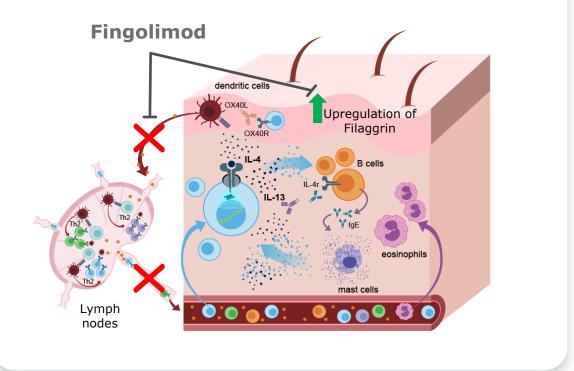


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# FMX114 Phase 1b/2a Proof of Concept Study Design

Randomized, double-blinded, vehicle-controlled Phase 1b/2a trial with separate open-label active treatment phase evaluating the safety, pharmacokinetics & efficacy of FMX114 gel vs. vehicle gel in the treatment of mild-to-moderate atopic dermatitis



#### **Key Inclusion criteria**

- Healthy males/nonpregnant females, aged  $\geq$  18 years at screening visit
- Mild (2)-to-moderate (3) atopic dermatitis on  $\leq$  35% BSA (excluding face, scalp, and groin)
- Presence of 2 comparable target lesions 10 to 200 cm<sup>2</sup> of surface area and located on the trunk, upper extremities, or lower extremities
- A target lesion Atopic Dermatitis Severity Score (ADSI) of  $\geq$  6 and  $\leq$  12, with a between-lesion difference in ADSI of  $\leq$  1

#### Safety and efficacy endpoints/assessments

- Treatment emergent adverse events
- Local skin tolerability assessments
- Clinical laboratory assessments (hematology, chemistry, urinalysis and FSH), Physical exam/vitals
- 5 different Clinical assessment scores

#### P1b/2a Complete - Review of Full Data Set Ongoing



# **InhiBET™ BET Inhibitor Platform**

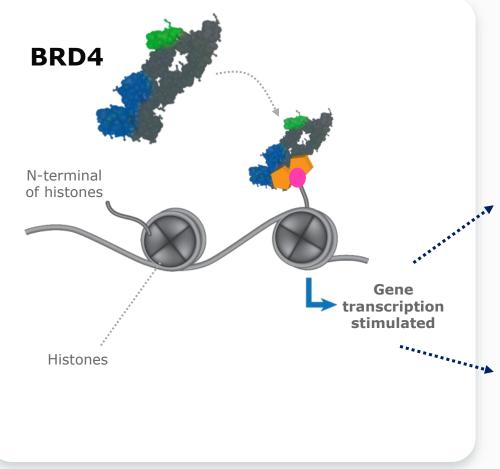
Bromodomain & Extra-Terminal Domain (BET) Inhibition for Immunology and Inflammatory Diseases





# **BET Proteins Play a Key Role**

in the Regulation of Inflammatory and Oncogenic Genes involved in Several Diseases



# **BET proteins "read" acetylated lysines and enable transcription of:**

#### Pro-inflammatory genes, leading to:

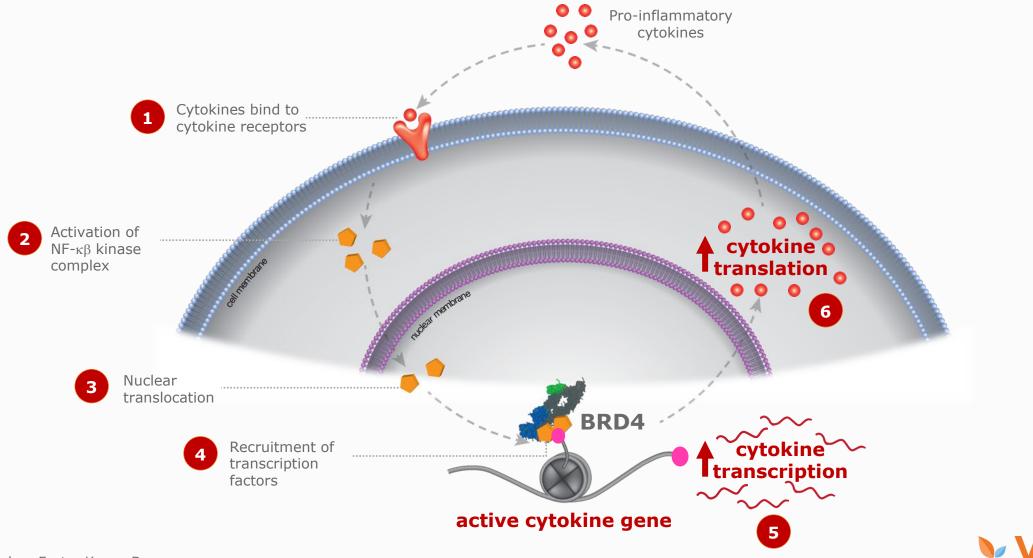
- Increased cytokine expression that activate B&T cells
- An increase in autoimmune and cardiovascular diseases

#### Oncogenic genes, leading to:

- Increased cell proliferation/survival
- An increase in solid tumors and hematologic malignancies

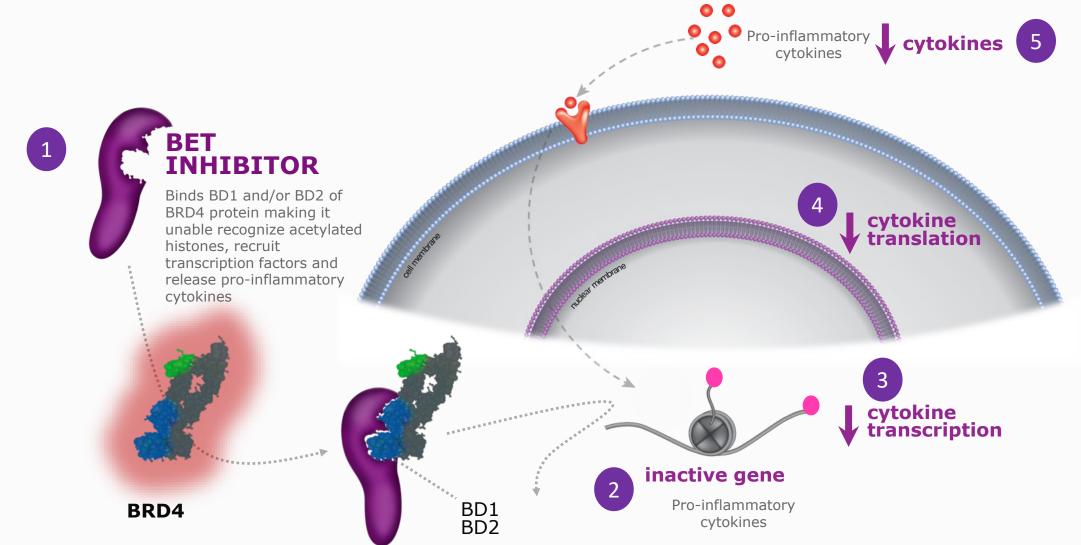


# **How BET Proteins Fuel the "Vicious Cycle"** of Pro-Inflammatory Cytokine Production in Autoimmune Diseases



# **BET Inhibitors Block BD1/BD2 Binding**

to Acetylated Lysines and Stall Pro-inflammatory Protein Transcription



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# **InhiBET™ BET Inhibitor Platform Overview**

## Platform includes global rights to a library of NCEs for any indication

# VYN201

## Locally administered Pan-BD BET inhibitor

Designed to address diseases involving multiple, diverse inflammatory cell signaling pathways with low systemic exposure

#### **Potential Target Market:**

- Vitiligo
- Other indications benefiting from local application and "soft drug" approach

#### **Broad activity:**

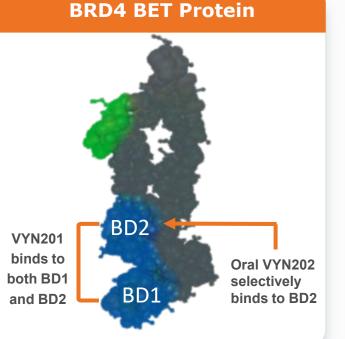
• Binds to BD1 and BD2 domains

#### **Competition:**

 Almost all BET inhibitors in development bind to BD1 and BD2 but are <u>orally</u> delivered with significant dose limiting toxicities

## **Targeted Near Term Milestones:**

• Phase 1 Initiation in Vitiligo: Q4 2022



# **VYN202**

#### **Oral BD2-selective BET inhibitor**

**Designed to selectively bind to BD2 and is being developed for major immunoinflammatory diseases** 

#### **Potential Target Market<sup>1</sup>:**

 Immuno-inflammatory indications such as rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, ulcerative colitis/Crohn's and multiple sclerosis; additional potential in myeloproliferative neoplastic disorders<sup>2</sup>

#### **Focused activity:**

- Highly selective inhibition of BD2 domain of the BRD4 protein (Selectivity vs. BD1)
- Targeting improved safety profile compared to oral pan-BD BET inhibitors

#### **Targeted Near Term Milestones:**

Candidate Selection – 2022



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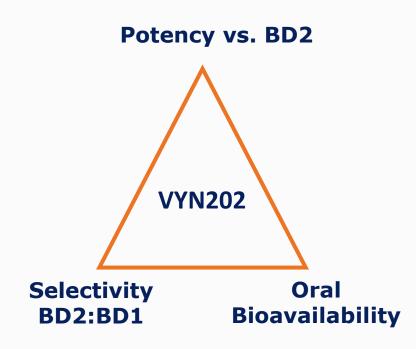
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# VYN202: BD2 selective BET inhibitor



# VYN202 Program Highlights & Molecular Profile

VYN202 is an oral BET inhibitor designed to selectively bind to BD2 and is being developed for major immuno-inflammatory diseases



## **Potential Target Market<sup>1</sup>:**

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 Initial indication to be communicated following candidate selection, exercise of option, IND-enabling studies and completion of requisite preclinical evaluations
List included is not exhaustive of potential indications

# VYN201 Locally administered pan-BET inhibitor



# VYN201 Pre-Clinical Efficacy Model Evaluations

Program designed to investigate the targeted administration of a "soft drug" pan-BD BET inhibitor to maximize local effect and minimize systemic exposure

Indication/area	Model	Administration Route	Status
Th17 autoimmune diseases	IMI-induction mouse model	Topical	Complete
Th2 autoimmune diseases	DNCB-induction mouse model	Topical	Complete
Fibrosis	Wound healing outcomes mouse model	Topical	Complete
Vitiligo	Reconstituted human epithelial skin TNFa/IFNy induction model	Topical	Complete
Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis	Bleomycin-induction mouse model	Intra-nasal	Complete
Rheumatoid arthritis	Intra-articular cytokine cocktail mouse model	Intra-articular	Complete
Macular degeneration	Choroidal neovascularization rat model	Intra-orbital/vitreous	Complete
Colitis (gut restricted)	DSS-induction mouse model	Oral	Complete
Oncology (AML/melanoma)	Human cell line screening and biomarker discovery	In-vitro	On-going



# **Preclinical Proof-of-Concept Data Summary for VYN201**

Based on established models, compared to active control and vehicle/placebo

# **TH17 Inflammation Model**

- Reduced composite score of inflammation severity
- Dose-dependent reduction in pro-inflammatory cytokines

## Fibrotic Tissue & IPF<sup>1</sup> Models

- Significantly lower fibrosis v. vehicle and negative control
- Preliminary IPF model data suggests VYN201 could have promising impact on IPF-related fibrosis and biomarkers

## **Rheumatoid Arthritis Model**

- Two highest doses demonstrated statistically significant improvement in treatment response, measured by paw thickening and arthritis score
- Superior to locally-dosed active dexamethasone control

# Vitiligo Model

- Highest doses demonstrated statistically significant improvement in reducing melanocyte loss & lowering key inflammatory biomarkers vs. vehicle
- Numerically superior to active control, ruxolitinib cream, 1.5%

VYN201 Potential "pipeline in a product" with broad utility across multiple routes of administration

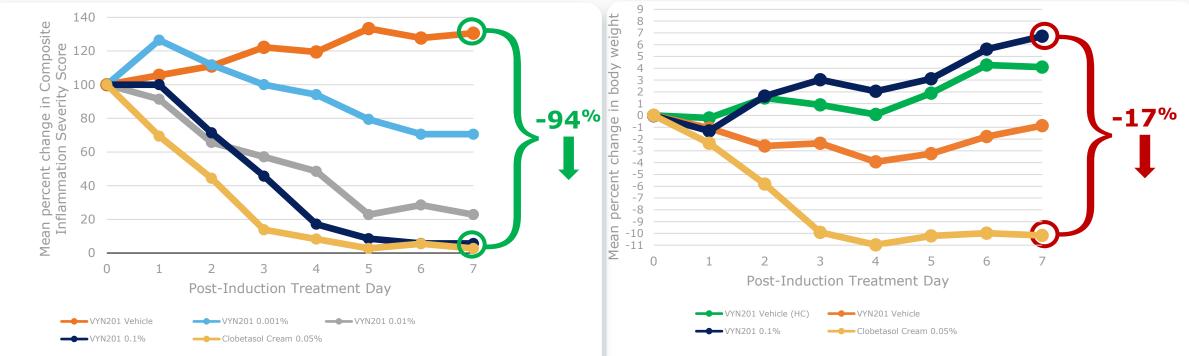


# VYN201: Th17 Inflammation Model (Topical)



# VYN201: Comparable Efficacy to Superpotent Steroid Clobetasol in a TH17-Mediated Murine Inflammation Model; Potential for Greater Tolerability

Dorsal depilated BALB-C mice were dosed topically for 14 days with 100mg topical IMI cream (Day 1-7: induction phase, Day 8-14: treatment phase). N=4 animals were assigned to each treatment group with each group receiving 100mg of allocated treatment on Day 8-14 once daily



- Dose dependent response was observed over the VYN201 concentration range 0.001% to 0.1%
- There was a 94% reduction in composite score for VYN201 0.1% relative to vehicle control group at Day 7
- VYN201 0.1% had comparable efficacy to clobetasol propionate 0.05% cream
- Animals treated with VYN201 0.1% continued to gain body weight in a similar manner to healthy control group treated with vehicle
- Clobetasol cream 0.05% group had a 17% reduction in body weight compared to the VYN201 0.1% group at treatment day 7



IMI – Imiquimod.

\*Composite Inflammation Severity Score is a composite mean score of erythema and peeling severity scored on a 4-point ordinal scale per domain (0=none, 1=mild, 2=moderate and 3=severe for a maximum score of 6), data expressed as a mean percentage change from initiation of treatment phase.

# VYN201: Normal Skin Physiology in TH17-Mediated Murine Inflammation Model Suggests VYN201 Well Tolerated (Day 7)



#### VYN201 Vehicle

 No appreciable improvement in clinical signs



#### VYN201 0.1%

- Substantial resolution of clinical signs
- Skin presents with normal physiology with no evidence of striae rubrae or atrophy
- No evidence suggestive of intolerance



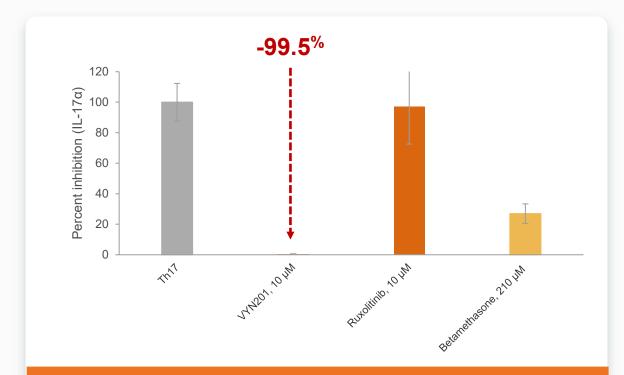
#### **Clobetasol Cream 0.05%**

- Substantial resolution of clinical signs
- Significant evidence of dermal atrophy (clear presence of both rhytides/fine wrinkles and deep wrinkles)
- Marked dermal translucency and elastolysis



# VYN201 Significantly Reduced Expression of Several Key Pro-Inflammatory

Proteins Relevant to Th17-mediated Autoimmune Diseases in Human Tissue<sup>1</sup>



#### Interleukin 17-alpha

T-cells are polarized to Th1 and Th17 cells, the latter of which drives the production of IL17a which further upregulates the migratory action of pro-inflammatory cells and further inflammatory cell activation.

>95% Inhibition seen with assays for IL-36γ & LP-10

#### Interleukin 36-gamma

IL36 $\gamma$  is implicated in upregulating IL-17A signalingrelated genes and so able to amplify keratinocyte inflammatory responses by promoting not only their own expression but also that of other cytokines related to Th17 signaling

## CXC motif chemokine ligand 10 (LP-10)

An inflammatory cell chemoattractant secreted in response to interferon gamma. LP-10 is significantly overexpressed in many autoimmune diseases (>25-fold) vs. healthy skin<sup>1</sup>



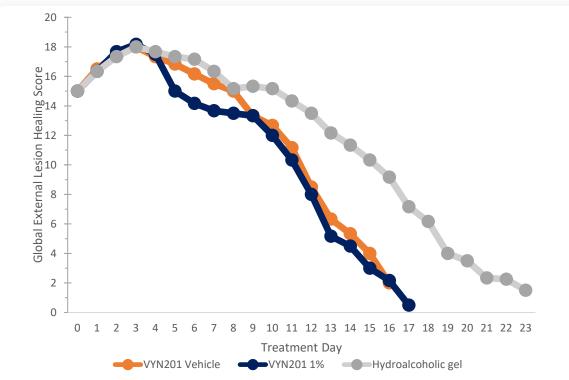
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# VYN201: Fibrotic Tissue & IPF Models (Topical and Intra-Nasal)

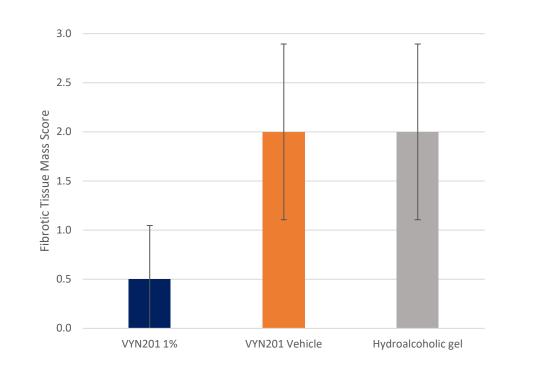


# VYN201: Demonstrated Anti-Fibrotic Activity without Delay in Healing Time in Murine Skin Healing Model

Female hairless mice (n=4/group) had two identical 10mm incisions made either side of the flank. Animals were topically dosed 1X daily with 100mg VYN201 vehicle, VYN201 1% or a Hydroalcoholic gel\* until each wound had completely healed



- Statistically significant difference (p<0.05) in composite global external healing score for VYN201 1% compared to Hydroalcoholic gel from Day 8
- Complete healing occurred for VYN201 1% and VYN201 vehicle approximately 5 days earlier compared to Hydroalcoholic gel (Mean day to heal:15.5 vs. 21 days)



 Animals treated with VYN201 1% had statistically significant less tissue mass/fibrosis compared to VYN201 vehicle or Hydroalcoholic gel, indicative of the known anti-fibrotic mechanism for BET inhibition (P<0.05 for VYN201 1% compared to VYN201 vehicle and Hydroalcoholic gel)



\*A negative control known to delay wound healing

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- Global External Lesion Score is a composite severity score of lesion length, width, swelling and visibility
- Fibrotic tissue mass is scored on a 4-point severity scale: 0=No tissue mass; 1=small tissue mass; 2=moderate tissue mass; 3=large tissue mass

## VYN201: Little Evidence of Residual Swelling and Macular Wound Appearance in Murine Skin Healing Model







#### VYN201 Vehicle

 Still evidence of minor swelling around incision sites

#### **VYN201 1%**

- Little evidence of residual swelling
- Wound appears more macular in nature compared to VYN201 vehicle or the Hydroalcoholic gel
- Incision sites appear less distinct and leave a more aesthetic outcome compared to other treatments

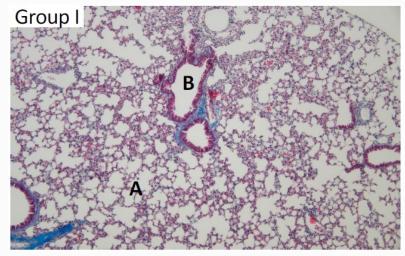
#### Hydroalcoholic gel

- Moderate swelling clearly evident at end of treatment
- Although healed, residual scabbing still remains
- Incision sites clearly visible



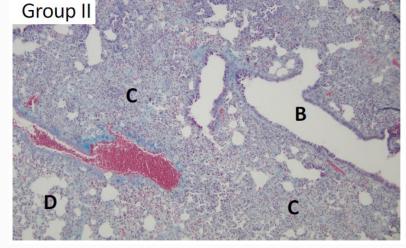
# VYN201: Bleomycin-induced mouse model of IPF - Histology

Histology images indicate positive impact of VYN201 0.06mg/ml on fibrosis in lungs. Additional preclinical exploration planned



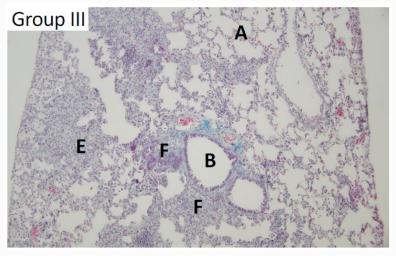
#### Healthy sham control

A: Normal lung parenchyma with open airways and airspaces.B: Conducting airway



#### **Bleomycin control**

B: Conducting airwayC: Fibrotic lesions with abundant cellularityD: Sporadic airways



#### Bleomycin + 0.06mg/ml VYN201

A: Normal lung parenchyma with open airways and airspaces.

- B: Conducting airway
- E: Less severe localized fibrosis: parenchyma
- F: Less severe localized fibrosis: airway

\*Lung fibrosis is induced in C57bl/6 mice using bleomycin at a dose of 4U/kg once daily by intranasal administration (N=10/treatment group). VYN201 treatment groups received nebulized, intra-nasal doses at 0, 0.06, 0.6 and 3mg/ml and bleomycin concomitantly for 21 days. A sham group received vehicle only.



# VYN201: Rheumatoid Arthritis (Intra-articular)



# VYN201: CAIA Mouse Model of Arthritis – Paw Thickness

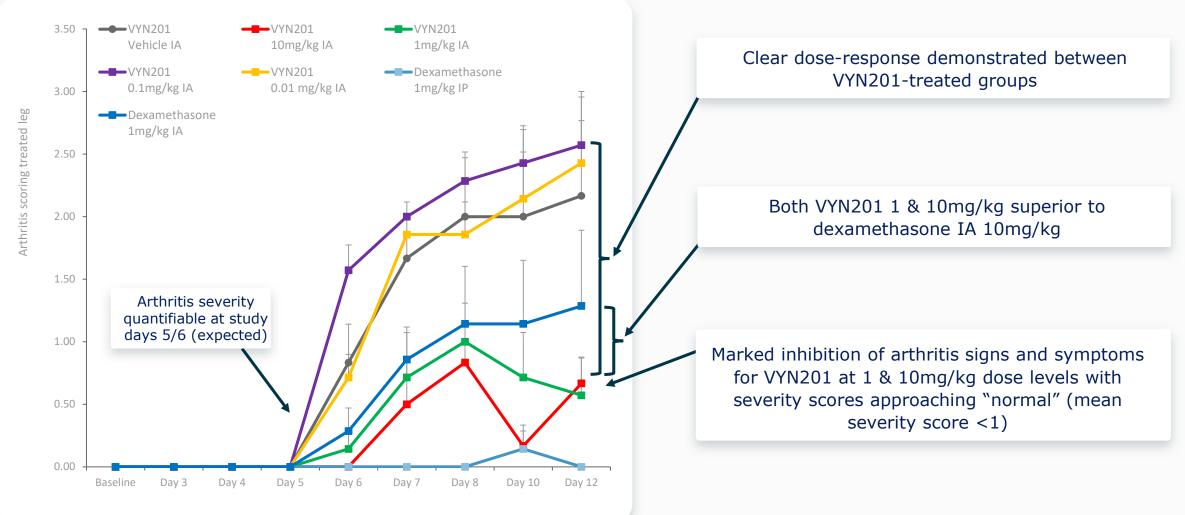
#### Marked inhibition of paw thickening/swelling

Inflammatory arthritis was induced in BALB/C mice using a mixture of four arthritogenic MAbs by IV injection at Day 0 and was further challenged with an LPS IV injection at Day 4 (N=7/treatment group). VYN201 treatment groups received 50µl intraarticular (IA) doses of VYN201 at 0, 0.01, 0.1, 1 or 10mg/kg on Days 0, 3, 6 and 9. Dexamethasone control animals received 50µl of 10mg/kg IA on Days 0, 3, 6 and 9 or 1mg/kg intraperitoneal (IP) on each treatment day (Day 0-11). Treatment response was evaluated based on an assessment of paw thickening/swelling.



# **VYN201: CAIA Mouse Model of Arthritis – Arthritis Score**

Demonstrated dose dependent reduction in disease severity

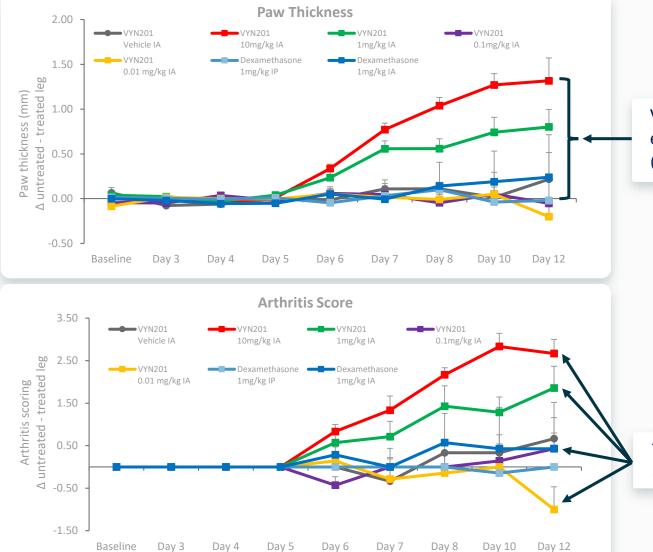




\*Scoring based on a five-point composite severity scale of redness, swelling of the ankles and wrists, and paw thickness. Scoring ranges from 0 (normal) to 4 (extensive signs and symptoms of arthritis); CAIA = Collagen Antibody Induced Arthritis; IA = Intra-articular; IP = Intraperitoneal

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# **VYN201: CAIA Mouse Model of Arthritis – Systemic Impact** Demonstrated localized dose-dependent effect



VYN201 1 & 10mg/kg results demonstrated the highest localized effect in the treated limb when compared to the untreated limbs (largest delta between treated and untreated limbs)

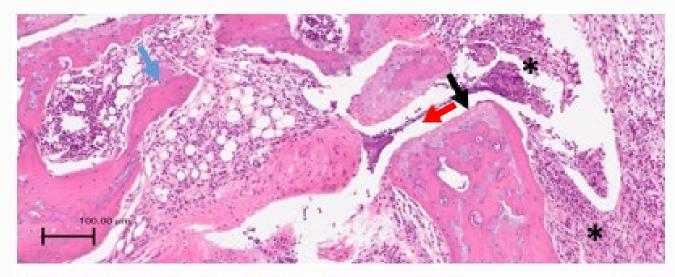
Treatment effect for VYN201 treated animals was dosedependent over the dose range 0.01 to 10mg/kg



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## VYN201: CAIA Mouse Model of Arthritis – Histopathology Joint histopathology confirmed arthritis clinical scoring & local effect

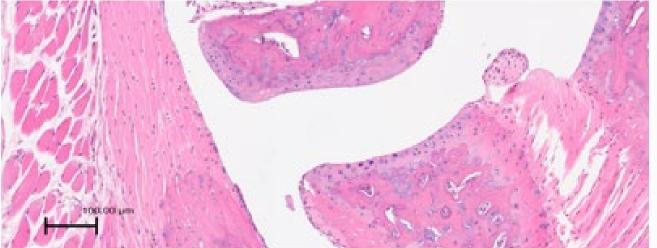
Inflammation marked with asterisk; damage to bone marked with a blue arrow; inflammatory cells and cellular debris in the joint space marked with red arrow; damage to cartilage marked with black arrow; scale bar-100µm



## VYN201 10mg/kg treatment group

#### **Untreated right paw**

- Arthritis score 4 "severe"
- Severe inflammation with destruction of both cartilage and bone



#### **Treated left paw**

- Arthritis score 0 "within normal limits"
- No evidence of inflammatory cell infiltrate in the joint spaces

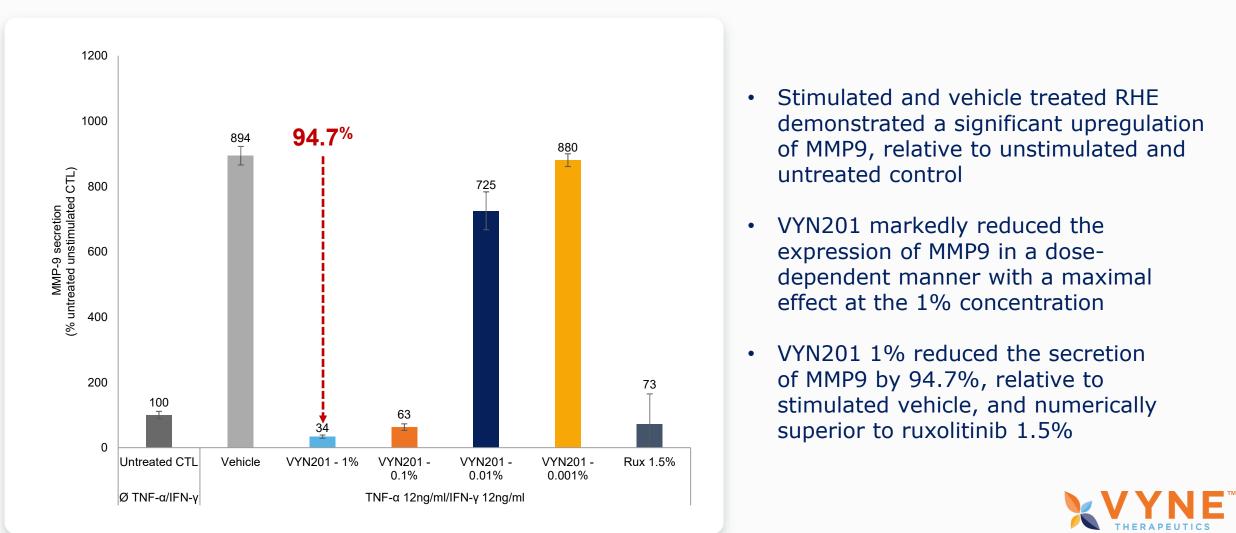


# VYN201 for Vitiligo (Topical) Preclinical Data and Clinical Development Plan



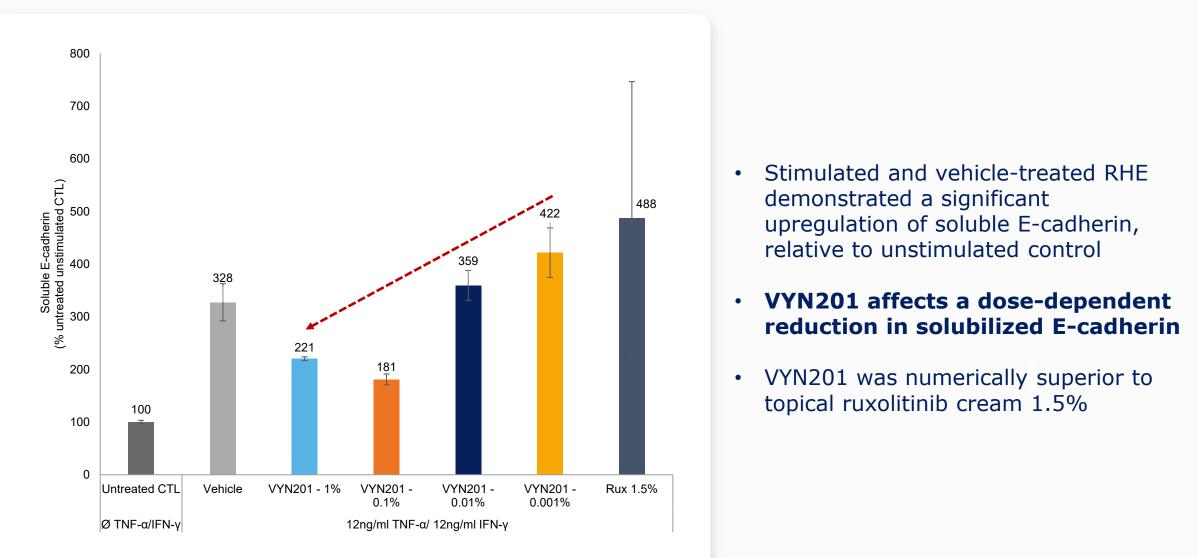
# VYN201: Human Tissue Model of Vitiligo – Demonstrated Inhibition of MMP9

Reconstituted human epithelial (RHE) skin cultures were treated with a TNF-a and IFN-y cytokine cocktail to induce a vitiligo phenotype melanocytorrhagy (loss of melanocyte), upregulation of MMP9 and soluble E-cadherin). 24hr prior to stimulation, RHE samples were topically treatment with VYN201 at varying concentrations and topical ruxolitinib 1.5% cream at 3 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>



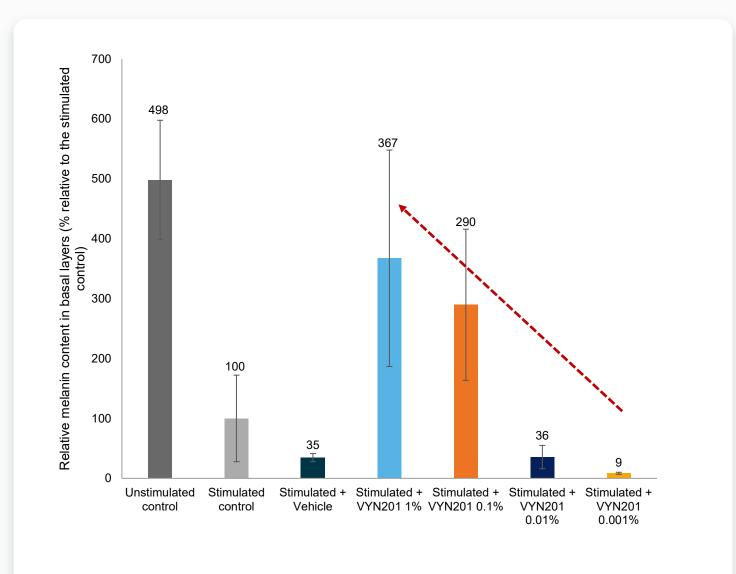
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# VYN201: Human Tissue Model of Vitiligo – Reduction of Soluble E-cadherin





# VYN201: Human Tissue Model of Vitiligo – Effect on Melanocyte Retention



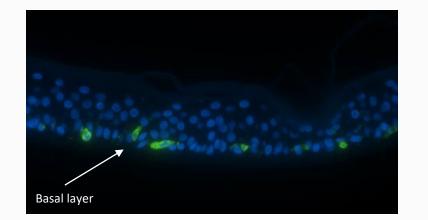
- Stimulated and vehicle-treated RHE demonstrated a significant loss in melanin content, relative to unstimulated control
- VYN201 substantially prevents the loss of melanin pigment in the basal layers of skin in a dose dependent manner
- Residual melanin levels for VYN201 1% was approximately 10-fold higher than vehicle, retaining approximately 75% of melanin relative to unstimulated control

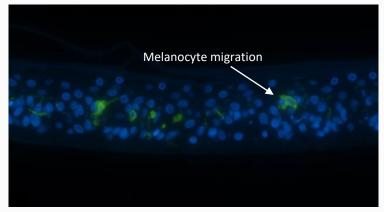


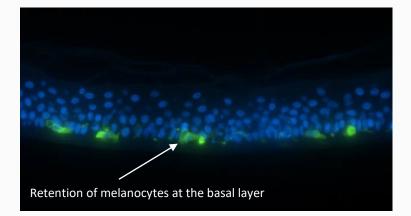
Note: Melanin content in skin cultures treated with ruxolitinib 1.5% cream was immeasurable due to tissue intolerance to treatment

# VYN201: Human Tissue Model of Vitiligo - Histology

Micrographic images of TRV immuno-stained induced RHE specimens demonstrating the preservation of melanocytes in the basal layer of samples treated with VYN201 1%







#### Unstimulated and untreated control

Melanocytes remain at or close to the basal layer implying that E-cadherin adhesion is still functional

#### Stimulated and Vehicle treated

Clear evidence of melanocyte adhesion disruption, melanocyte detachment and migration through the skin

# Stimulated and VYN201 1% treated

VYN201 1% prevents detachment and subsequent loss of melanocytes from the basal layer implying that Ecadherin adhesion is still functional

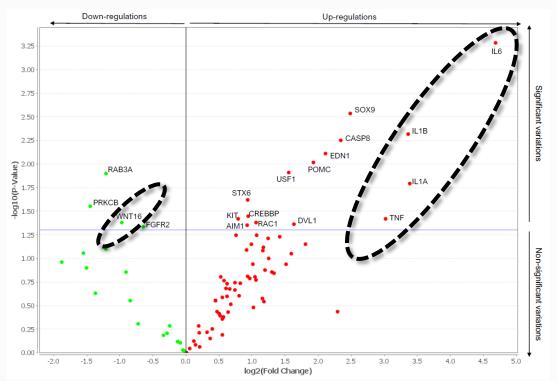


Keratinocytes (blue), melanocytes (green)

# VYN201: Human Tissue Model of Vitiligo – Gene regulation

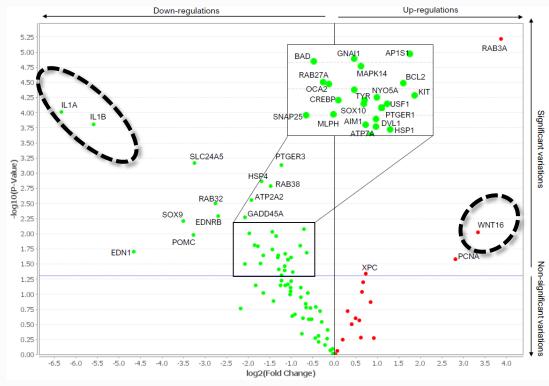
Preliminary data suggest that VYN201 regulates genes relevant to Vitiligo including impacting WNT pathway which is believed to play a key role in melanocyte regeneration

Transcriptome volcano plots of genes relevant to vitiligo (preliminary findings):



#### **Stimulated control**

# Significant upregulation of cytokines IL6, IL1A and IL1B and TNF



#### Stimulated and VYN201 1% treated

Significant downregulation of cytokines IL6, IL1A and IL1B and TNF and upregulation of the WNT pathway IL6 and TNF downregulated below LLOQ of assay

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# VYN201: Planned Phase 1 Study Design in Vitiligo

Phase 1a/b initiation planned for Q4 2022

## Vitiligo Phase 1a/b design comprising of:

#### **Phase 1a Portion**

A single ascending / multiple ascending dose cohort in healthy volunteer participants for up to 2 weeks of oncedaily treatment.

Primary objective: To identify safe starting doses for vitiligo patients in Phase 1b portion of the study
Assessments will include TEAEs, pharmacokinetics and local skin tolerance

#### **Phase 1b Portion**

Treatment on the face and target lesion(s) on trunk of vitiligo patients for 8 weeks of once-daily treatment with planned extension.

**Primary objective:** Evaluation of the safety and pharmacokinetics of VYN201 in vitiligo patients

- Dose level(s) will be selected based on findings from the Phase 1a portion of the study.
- Assessments will include TEAEs, pharmacokinetics, local skin tolerance, efficacy (F-VASI), biomarkers, photography.



# **Targeted Clinical Milestones through 2023**

# **Driving Pipeline to Proof-of-Concept**

Target	<b>Candidate Selection</b>	Preclinical	<b>Clinical Trials</b>	Near-Term Catalysts
<b>FMX114</b> Mild-to-moderate Atopic Dermatitis	Phas	e 1b/2a		Phase 1b/2a complete Review of full data set ongoing
VYN201 Locally administered Pan-BD BET inhibitor	Vitiligo (topical administration) IND-enabling studies underway			Q4 2022: FPI Phase 1 for Vitiligo
	Undisclosed indication (non-topical administration)			2023: Clinic-ready
VYN202 Oral BD2 BET inhibitor <sup>1</sup>	Candidate Selection process underway			2022: Candidate Selection

#### **Exclusive Access to Library of NCE BET Inhibitors for Any Indication Worldwide**

1. Initial indication for VYN202 to be communicated following candidate selection, exercise of option and completion of requisite pre-clinical evaluations TLR = Top Line Results; FPI = First Patient In/Enrolled





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