

# Results from a phase 2 study of triplet blockade of the IL-27, PD-(L)1, and VEGF pathways with casdozokitug (casdozo, CHS-388) in combination with atezolizumab (atezo) and bevacizumab (bev) in patients with unresectable, locally advanced or metastatic hepatocellular carcinoma (uHCC)

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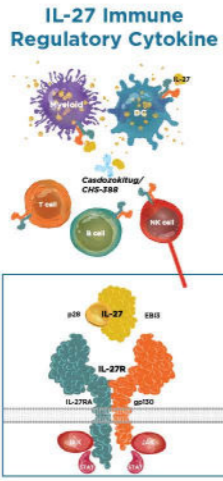
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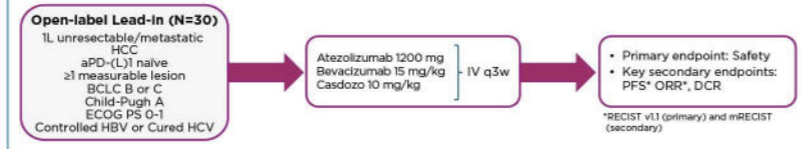
## BACKGROUND

- IL-27 is a heterodimeric cytokine expressed by myeloid cells, including macrophages and dendritic cells, which plays a role in modulating immune responses during infection and tumor immune surveillance
- IL-27 regulates the activity of several immune cell types through upregulation of immune suppressive receptors (PD-L1, TIGIT, LAG3) and inhibition of inflammatory cytokines
- Casdozokitug (or casdozo; CHS-388; formerly SRF388) (or its mouse surrogate) has shown antitumor activity in several preclinical models of HCC
- IHC evaluation of HCC commercial tissue microarrays revealed that most HCC samples express the target: IL-27+ tumor-associated macrophages (TAMs, internal data)
- Casdozo is the first in class and only clinical-stage IL-27 targeting antibody, which neutralizes IL-27, promotes immune activation and stimulates antitumor response
- A phase 1 study demonstrated a favorable safety profile and antitumor activity alone and in combination with PD-1 blockade in indications known to have high levels of IL-27 pathway activation (NCT04374877)
- Casdozo induces increases in serum IFN-γ and NK cell gene activation in cancer patients, indicating an immune response and reversal of IL-27-mediated immune suppression
- The lead-in phase of the SRF388-201 study evaluated the safety and antitumor activity of this immunoregulatory cytokine antagonist given in combination with atezo and bev in patients with unresectable, locally advanced or metastatic HCC



## METHODS

### Phase 2 Study Schema of Casdozo/Atezolizumab/Bevacizumab in IO Naïve 1L HCC Patients: SRF388-201

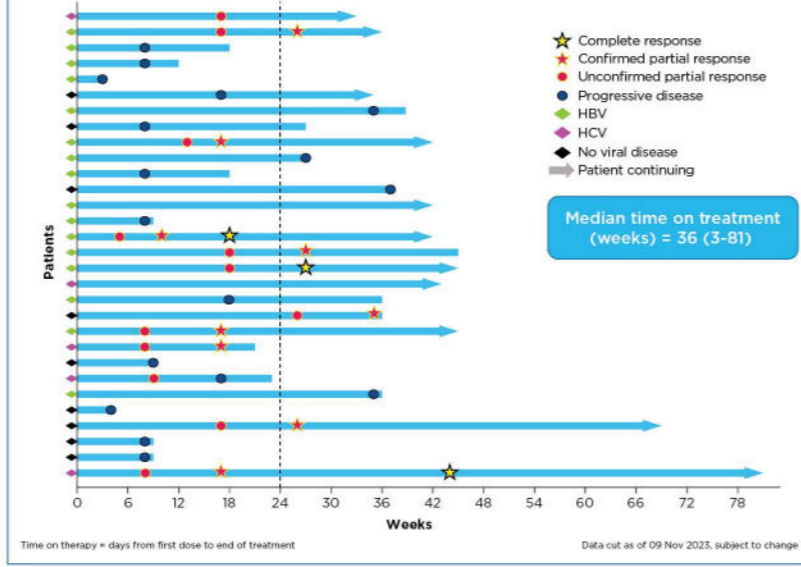


IL-27 first line: aPD-(L)1, anti-programmed death-ligand 1; BCLC, Barcelona Clinic Liver Cancer; DCR, disease control rate; ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group Performance Status; HBV, hepatitis B virus; HCV, hepatitis C virus; IO, immunotherapy; IV, intravenous; mRECIST, modified Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors; ORR, overall response rate; PFS, progression-free survival; q3w, every 3 weeks; RECIST v1.1, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors version 1.1.

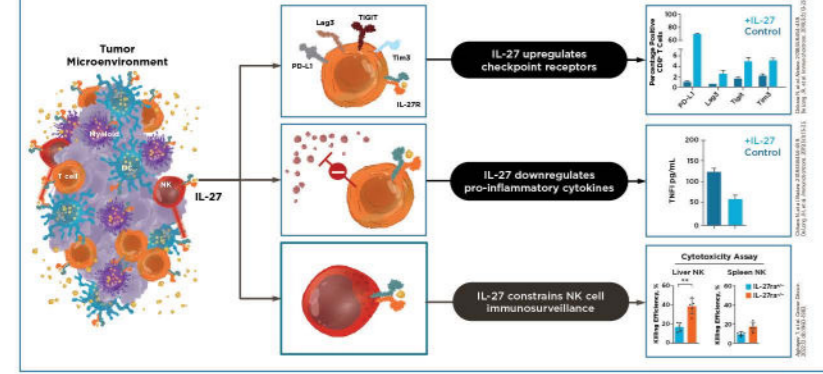
### SRF388-201 Baseline Characteristics 1L HCC lead-in

Demographics, n (%)	Lead-In (n=30)	Baseline Characteristics, n (%)	Lead-In (n=30)
Age	Median years (range)	Locally advanced, unresectable	10 (33.3)
Gender	Female	Metastatic	20 (66.7)
	Male	Child-Pugh score	A5 27 (90.0)
	Asian	A6	3 (10.0)
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	BCLC stage	B 6 (20.0)
	White	C	24 (80.0)
	Not reported	Viral status	HBV 16 (53.3)
	Asia excluding Japan	HCV	5 (16.7)
	ROW	Uninfected	9 (30.0)
	0	Baseline AFP	< 400 ng/mL 16 (53.3)
	1	≥ 400 ng/mL	14 (46.7)
ECOG	1	Macrovascular involvement	7 (23.3)
	2	Varices at study entry	3 (10.0)

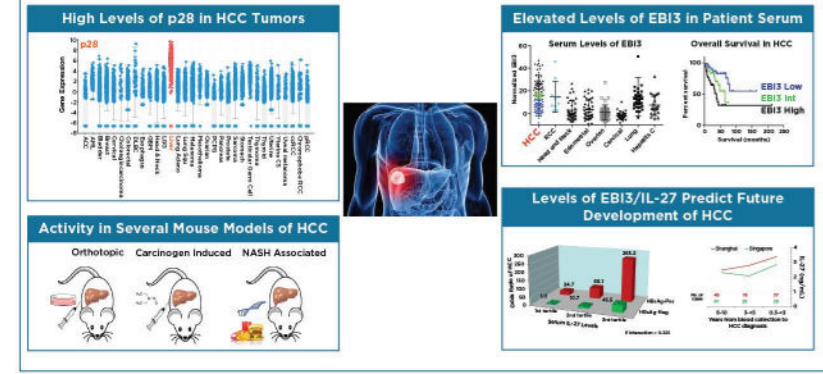
### SRF388-201 Time on Therapy (n=30) 1L HCC lead-in fully enrolled and data maturing



### IL-27 Dampens Antitumor Immunity in the Tumor Microenvironment

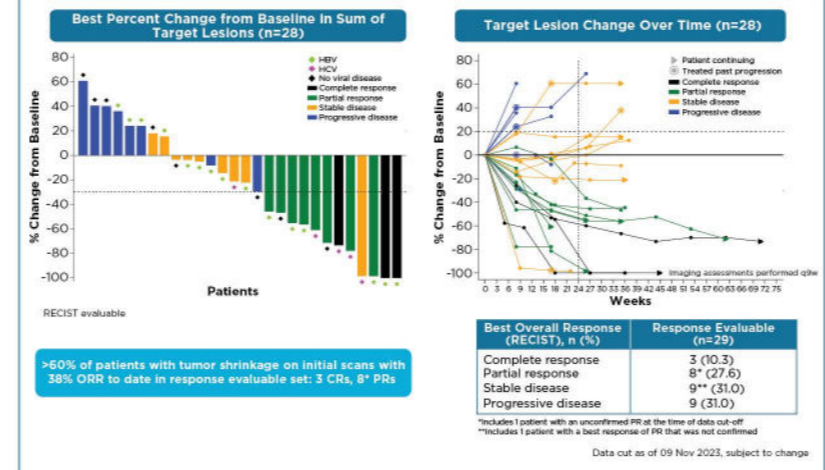


### Rationale for Blocking IL-27 (p28:EBI3) in Hepatocellular Carcinoma<sup>1-3</sup>



## RESULTS

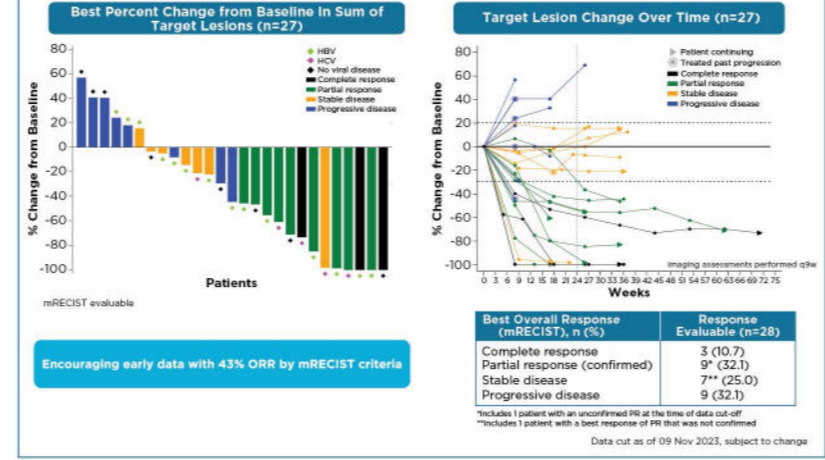
### SRF388-201: Early Activity with Casdozo/Atezo/Bev 11 durable objective responses per RECIST v1.1 including 3 CRs



### Estimated PFS and DCR in the Response Evaluable Population

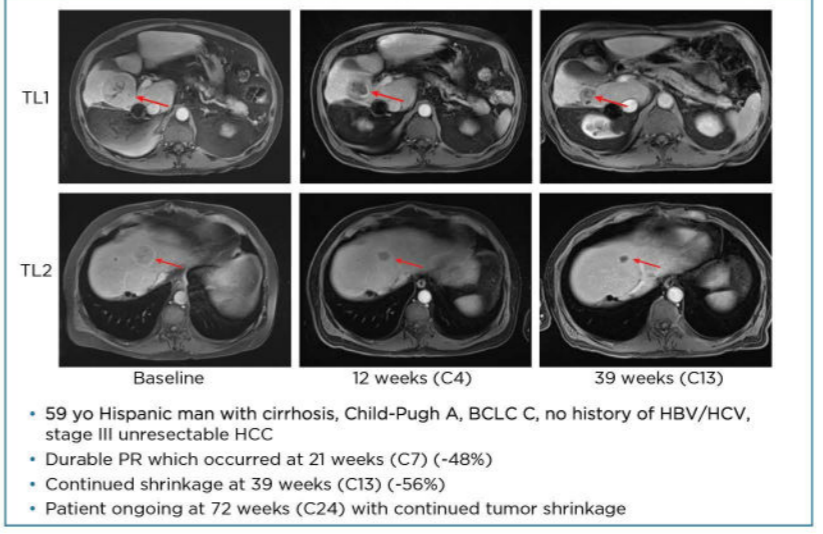
	RECIST v1.1 (N=29)	mRECIST (N=28)
Events, n (%)	15 (51.7)	12 (42.9)
Censored, n (%)	14 (48.3)	16 (57.1)
<b>PFS (months)</b>		
Median (95% CI)	8.1 (4.0, -)	NR (2.0, -)
<b>Event-free rate at %</b>		
6 months (95% CI)	59.5 (38.8, 75.3)	62.1 (40.9, 77.6)
12 months (95% CI)	33.7 (12.1, 57.1)	50.9 (29.0, 69.3)
<b>DCR, n (%)</b>	17 (58.6)	17 (60.7)

### Early mRECIST Activity with Casdozo/Atezo/Bev 12 durable objective responses per mRECIST including 3 CRs



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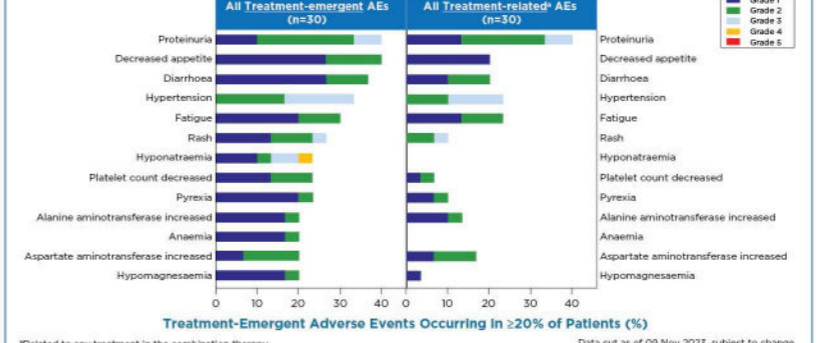
### Encouraging Evidence of Tumor Response with Casdozo Added to SOC in IL HCC



### SRF388-201 HCC Lead-in Phase Safety Summary

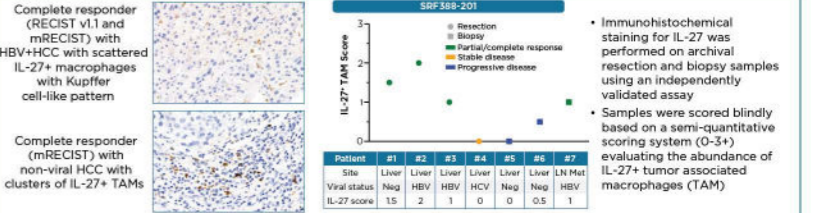
Per Patient AE Summary	N=30
Treatment emergent adverse event (TEAE), n (%)	30 (100)
Treatment-related AE*, n (%)	27 (90.0)
Grade ≥3 TEAE, n (%)	19 (63.3)
Grade ≥3 treatment-related* AE, n (%)	11 (36.7)
Serious TEAE, n (%)	13 (43.3)
Treatment-related* SAE, n (%)	7 (23.3)
TEAE leading to any study drug discontinuation, n (%)	9 (30.0)
Treatment-related AE leading to any study drug discontinuation, n (%)	6 (20.0)
TEAE leading to CHS-388 discontinuation, n (%)	4 (13.3)
Treatment-related AE leading to CHS-388 discontinuation, n (%)	2 (6.7)
TEAE leading to death, n (%)	3 (10.0)
Treatment-related AE leading to death, n (%)	0

### SRF388-201: Triplet is Well Tolerated Toxicities consistent with known AE profiles of Atezo/Bev

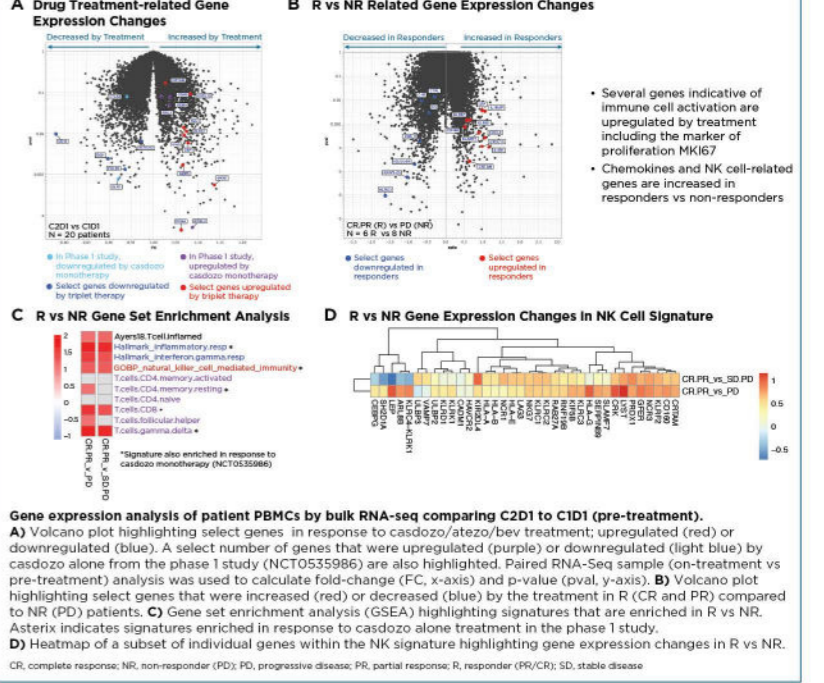


- Immune-related AEs (irAEs) and bleeding events were infrequent and generally low grade
- Grade ≥3 treatment-related irAEs included stomatitis, myasthenia gravis and rash, each in 1 patient
- A treatment-related bleeding event of grade 3 epistaxis occurred in 1 patient

### Preliminary Association of Higher Levels of IL-27+ Tumor Associated Macrophages in Archival Tissue Samples With Clinical Response (PR/CR), Small N



### Gene Expression Differences in Treated Patient PBMCs: Pharmacodynamic and Responders vs Non-responders



## CONCLUSIONS

**Casdozo is a promising novel IO agent with clinical activity in liver cancer that may be associated with IL-27 pathway biomarkers**

- IL-27 is an immunoregulatory cytokine that can suppress the antitumor response
- Casdozo is a **first-in-class** immunomodulatory antibody targeting IL-27
- Casdozo has **demonstrated monotherapy and combination antitumor activity** across multiple solid tumor types with a favorable safety profile, and evidence of immune activation
- Triplet blockade of the IL-27, PD-(L)1 and VEGF pathways with casdozo/atezo/bev has an acceptable safety profile to date with promising antitumor activity in IO naïve HCC
- Encouraging early activity with casdozo/atezo/bev triplet:
  - ORR: 38% per RECIST v1.1 and 43% per mRECIST
  - Response associated with biomarkers of IL-27
- Results support continued evaluation of casdozo with VEGF and PD-(L)1 blockade in HCC
- Study plans in place to evaluate casdozo/toripalimab (anti-PD-1 antibody)/bev for future development

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