



Rheumatoid Arthritis Program: Top-line Phase 2 Results

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Greatest Unmet Need in Rheumatoid Arthritis: Biologic Refractory Patients

- In 2016, over 5m individuals are impacted by rheumatoid arthritis (RA) across the 7 major pharmaceutical markets (7MM) with ~70% suffering from moderate to severe disease^{1,2}
- Major advances in the treatment of RA using biologic agents have resulted in a \$15 billion global market in 2015, which is projected to grow to over \$18 billion in 2024
 - Anti-TNF α therapy is the most common first line class of biologic agents across the 7 major markets for moderate-to-severe RA patients who have failed conventional DMARDs
- ~30% of patients do not respond to anti-TNF α therapy or fail to maintain an initial good response over time or experience adverse events leading to treatment discontinuation^{3,4}
 - On average, maintenance rates for anti-TNF α therapy at 1 year is ~65% and drops to ~40% at 5 years
 - Switching to a second or third anti-TNF α product results in significantly lower efficacy than is seen with an anti-TNF agent in biologically naive patients
- In the United States, the anti-TNF α refractory population is the fastest growing branded market segment, projected to increase by 8% annually from 2015 to 2024⁵
 - Estimated 90k RA patients in the US are anti-TNF α refractor and receive a non-TNF α inhibitor/Jak Inhibitor representing ~ \$2bn USD in 2015. This target population is expected to grow to ~178K in 2024 representing over \$3.6bn USD.

¹ GlobalData Rheumatoid Arthritis Global Forecast 2013-2023

² Decision Resources: Disease Landscape & Forecast Immune and Inflammatory Disorders – Rheumatoid Arthritis January 2016

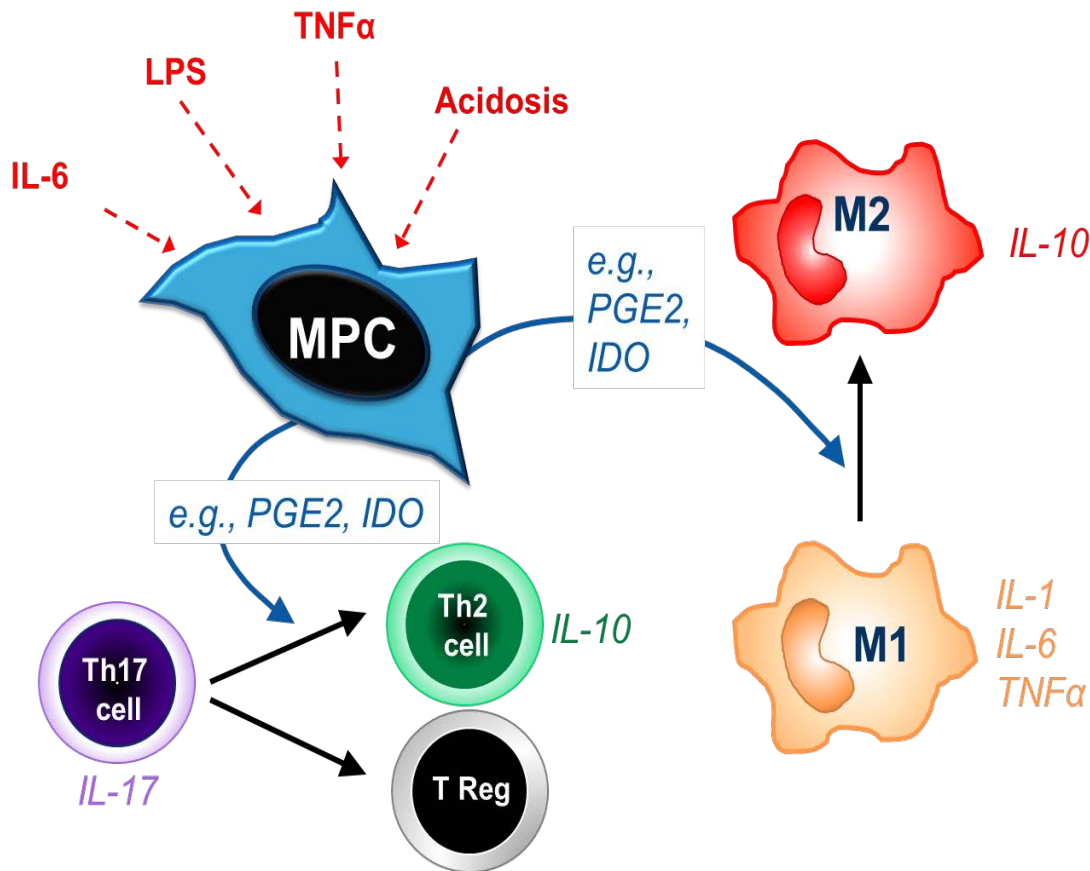
³ Favalli, EG., Biggioggero, M., Marchesoni, A, et. al. (2014) Survival on treatment with second-line biologic therapy: a cohort study comparing cycling and swap strategies. Rheumatology 2014; 53:1664-1668

⁴ Flouri, I., Markatseli, TE., Voulgari, P., et. al. (2014) Comparative effectiveness and survival of infliximab, adalimumab, and etanercept for rheumatoid arthritis patients in the Hellenic Registry of Biologics: Low rates of remission and 5-year drug survival

⁵ Estimated from Decision Resources: Pharmacor– Rheumatoid Arthritis 2015

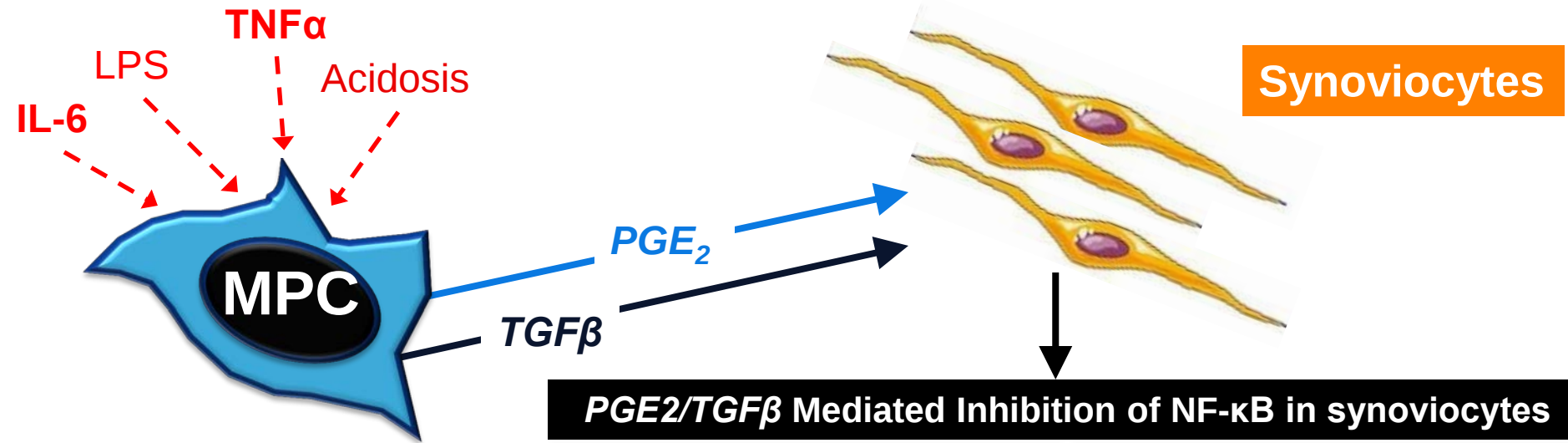
MPC-300-IV for Treatment of Chronic Inflammatory Diseases Through Immunomodulation

Inflammation induces production of immuno-modulatory factors by Mesenchymal Precursor Cells (MPCs), which regulate multiple immune pathways concurrently

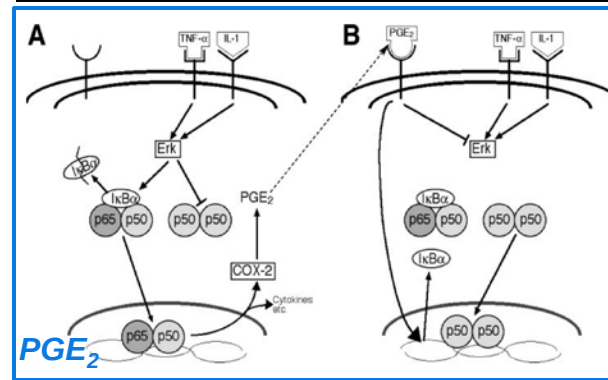


- MPCs have receptors that respond to inflammatory signals, resulting in release of anti-inflammatory mediators
- Mesoblast is developing MPC product candidates to target immune mediated diseases where multiple pathways are associated with treatment resistant disease:
 - Biologic refractory rheumatoid arthritis
 - Diabetic kidney disease
 - Biologic refractory Crohn's disease
- MPCs have to date demonstrated a safe profile in terms of infectious or neoplastic complications

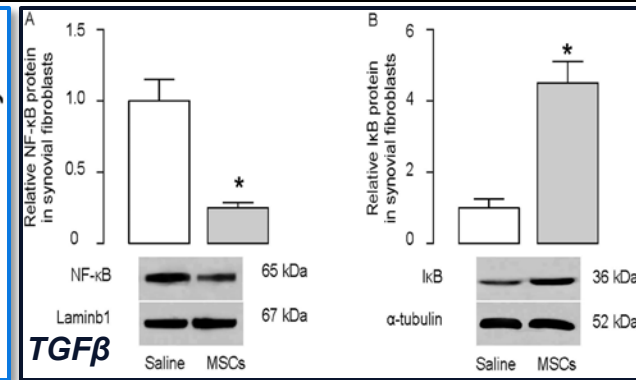
MPC-300-IV for Modulation Of Cytokine Production By Synoviocytes/Synovial Fibroblasts In Rheumatoid Arthritis



- PGE₂ and TGF β secreted by MPCs following surface signaling in inflamed joint
- Both act directly on synovial fibroblasts to increase I κ B and inhibit NF κ B
- Secretion of inflammatory cytokines associated with joint pathology reduced



Gomez et al., J Immunol 175: 6924 – 6930 (2005)

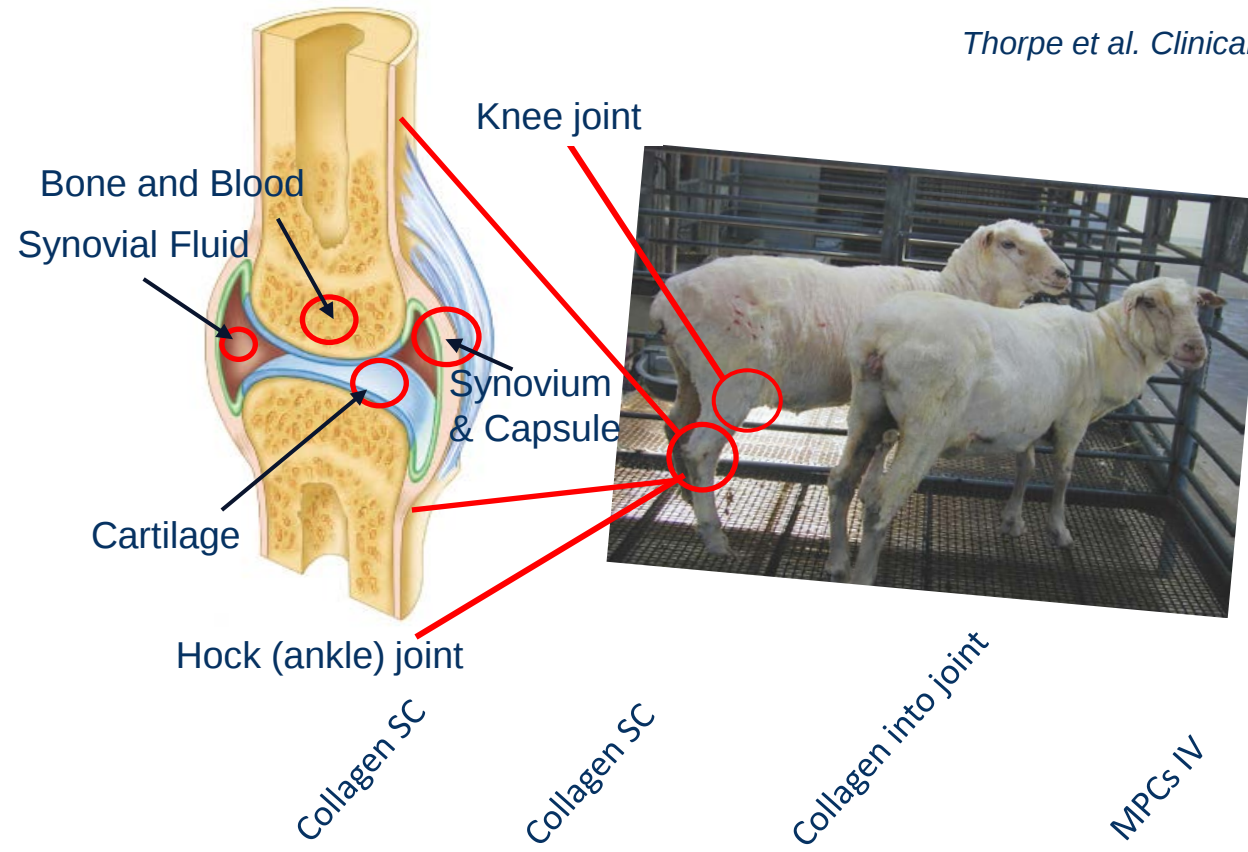


Yan et al., Scientific Reports 6:28915 DOI: 10.1038, 1 – 12 (2016)

Reduced secretion of inflammatory mediators:
TNF α , IL-1, IL-6, IL-8, MCP-1, MMP-3, MMP-13

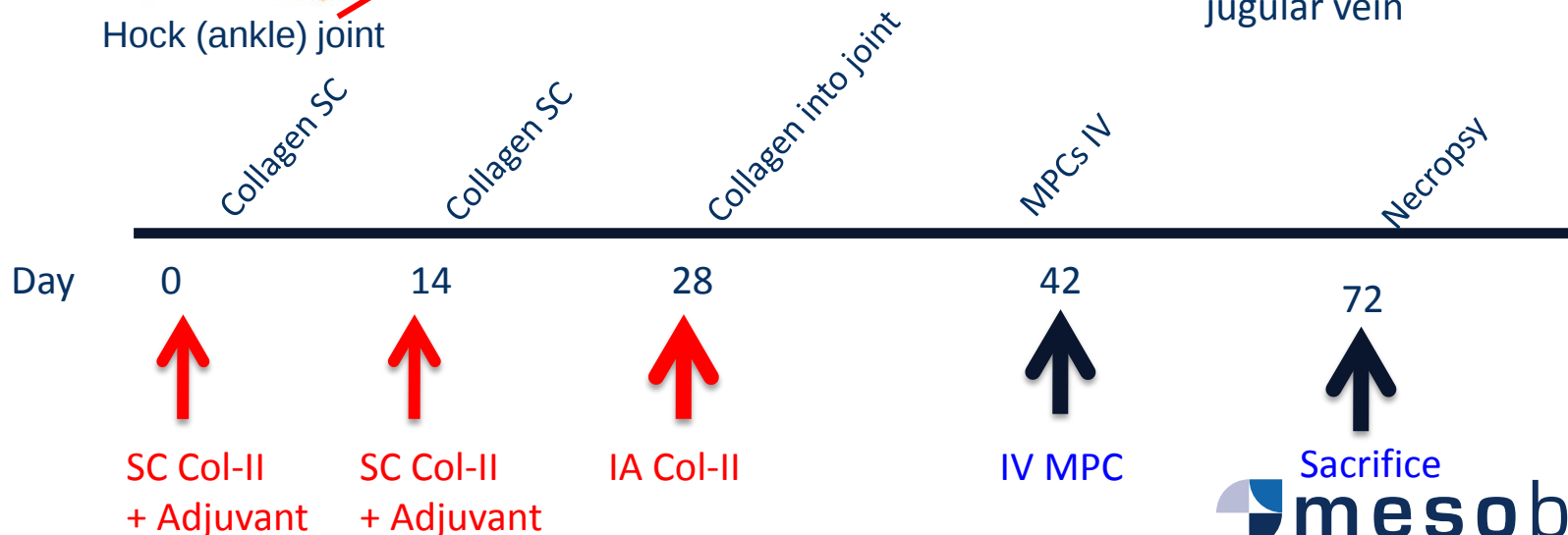
A Sheep Model of Collagen-Induced Arthritis (CIA)

Thorpe et al. *Clinical & Exp. Rheumatology* **10**: 143–150 (1992)

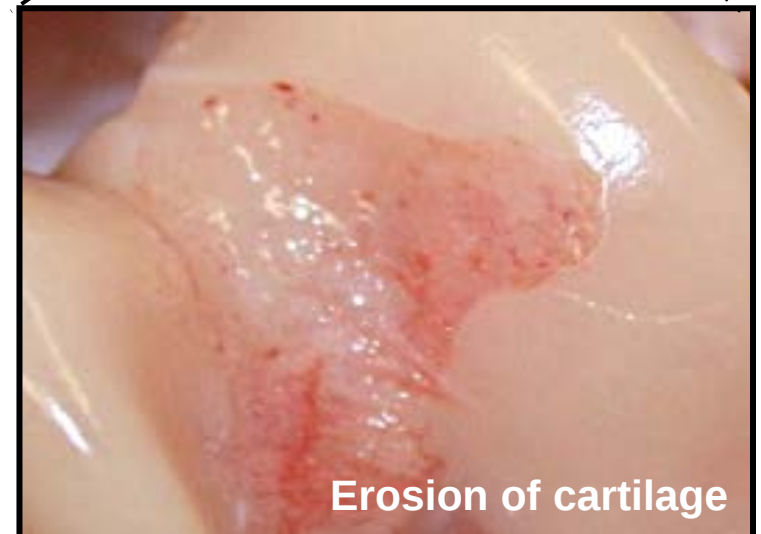
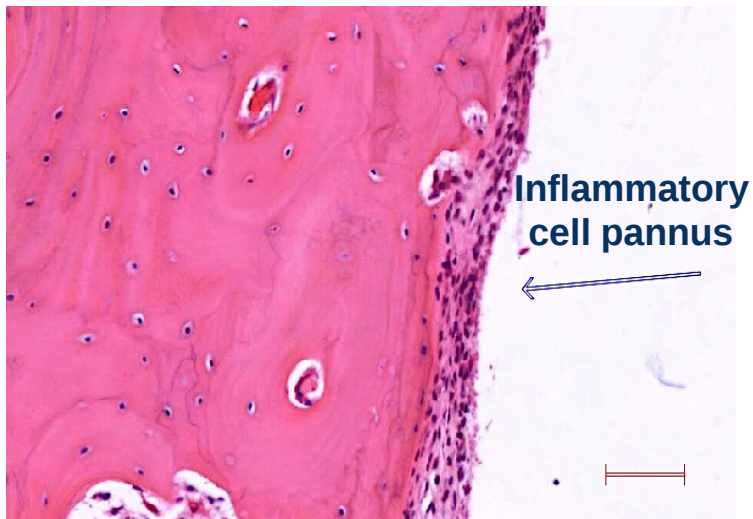
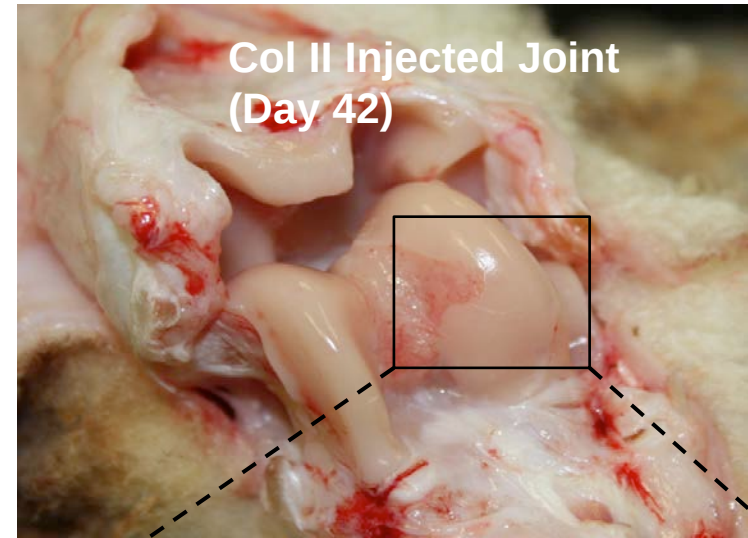
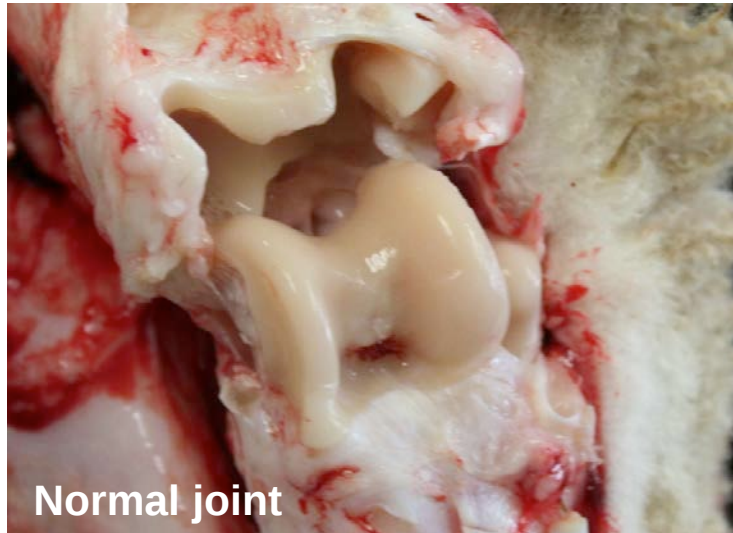


Aim: to determine the anti-inflammatory effects and dose ranging of ovine MPCs in an ovine model of collagen-induced acute arthritis (CIA) and systemic inflammation

Doses: 25, 75, 150 million cryopreserved ovine MPCs administered by IV injection via the jugular vein

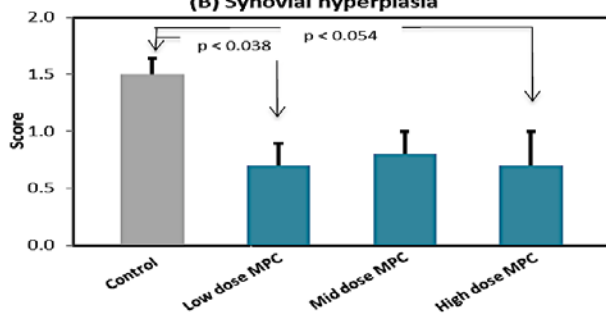


Features Of CIA And Human RA: Invading Synovial Pannus And Cartilage Erosion

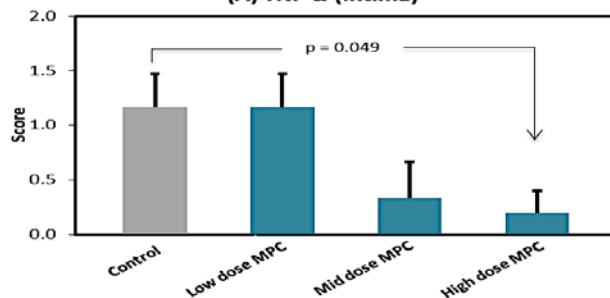


Allogeneic Sheep MPCs Reduce Synovial Pannus/ Inflammatory Cytokines, Improve Symptoms in CIA

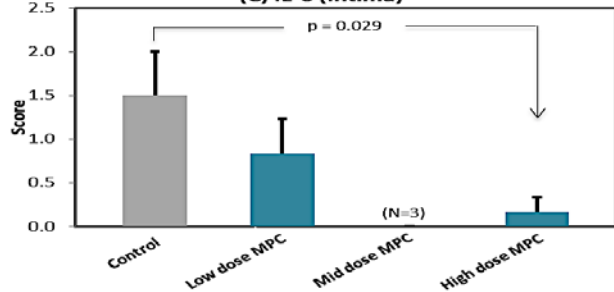
(B) Synovial hyperplasia



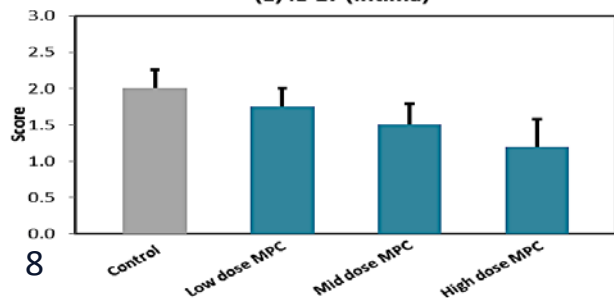
(A) TNF-α (Intima)



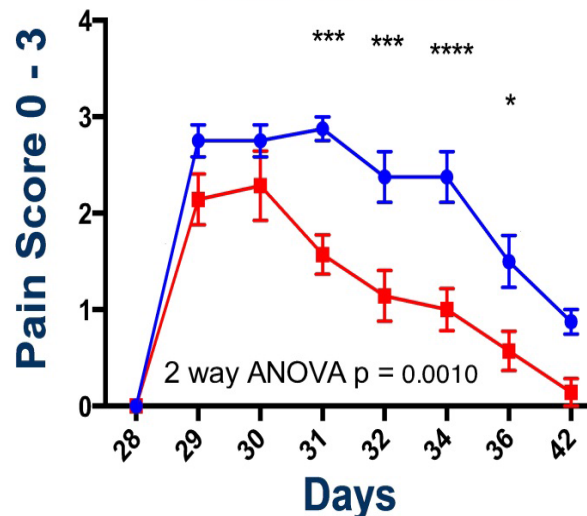
(C) IL-6 (Intima)



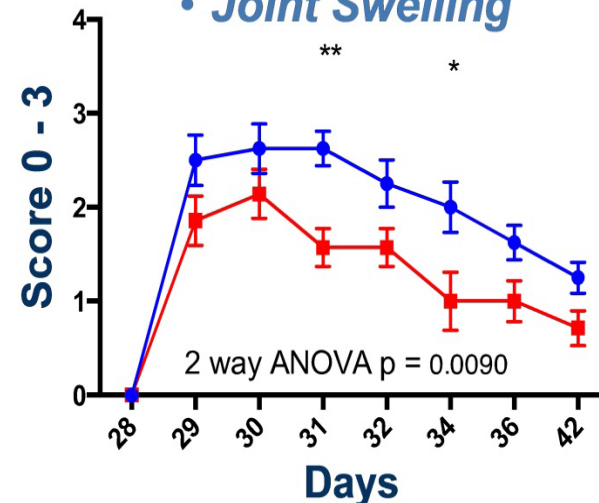
(E) IL-17 (Intima)



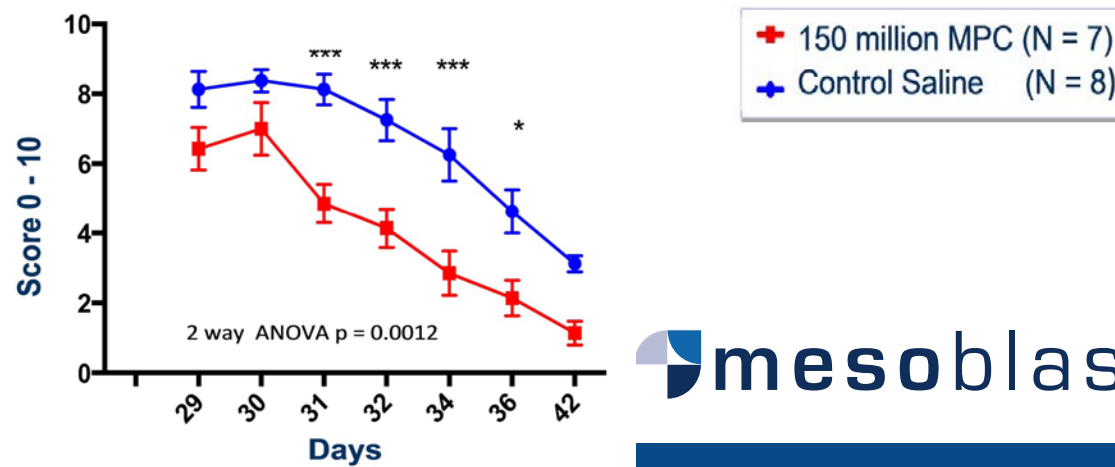
• Pain on Flexion



• Joint Swelling



• Total Clinical Score



MSB-RA001 : Study Design

- Phase 2 double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled, dose-escalating study comparing a single infusion of two MPC doses (1M/kg and 2M/kg) with placebo in patients with active RA
 - Inadequate response to at least 1 anti-TNF +/- other biologics
 - On a stable regimen methotrexate for >4 months +/- DMARDs for >3 months
 - + RF and/or anti-CCP*; ≥ 4 swollen/tender joints; ESR or CRP > upper limit of normal
- 48 patients enrolled at 14 sites in US and Australia**
 - MPC 1 x 10^6 cells/kg (N=16 active)
 - MPC 2 x 10^6 cells/kg (N=16)
 - Placebo (N=16)
- Objectives
 - Primary: Evaluate safety and tolerability of a single intravenous MPC infusion in biologic refractory RA patients through a 12-week primary endpoint
 - Secondary: Evaluate clinical efficacy through the 12-week primary endpoint and assess durability of clinical effects and safety through the full 52 week study
 - Pre-specified efficacy endpoints include the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) composite clinical response, the health assessment questionnaire-disability index (HAQ-DI), and the DAS28 composite measurement of disease activity; analyses were applied to the whole study population and the pre-specified exploratory subgroup based on whether the subjects had previously received 1-2 or ≥ 3 biologic agents.

*RF=Rheumatoid factor; anti-CCP=Cyclic citrullinated peptide antibody

** ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT01851070

MSB-RA001 : Safety Summary

- All infusions were well-tolerated without any acute infusion reactions or adverse events (AEs) reported either during infusion or the 6-h post-infusion monitoring period
- No serious AEs (SAEs) were reported during the 12- week primary study period
- No discontinuations due to AEs during the 12-week primary study period
- Treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) reported by 12 (75%), 13 (81%) and 10 (63%) of patients in the placebo and MPC 1M/kg and 2M/kg groups, respectively
- The safety profile over 12 weeks was comparable among the placebo and two MPC treatment groups

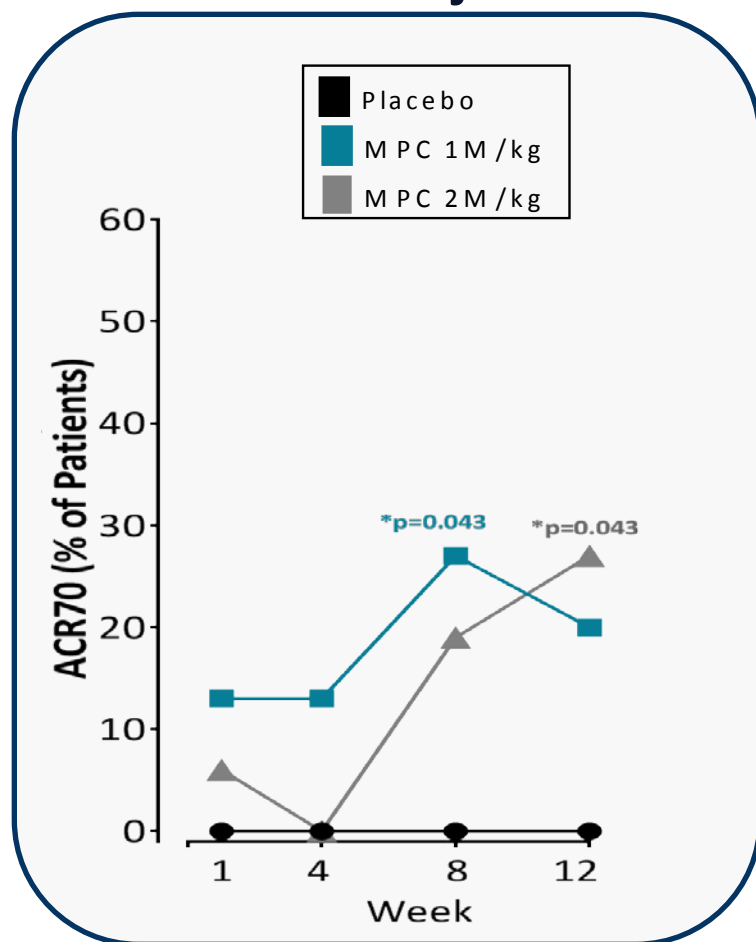
Profile of Marketed Non-TNF α /JAK Inhibitors Suggest Clinical Need for Agents with Reduced Safety Risk

- To date, no safety concerns have been identified with MPC-300-IV across multiple therapeutic indications, including in biologic refractory RA patients
- Currently marketed non-TNF α Inhibitors are associated with serious adverse events such as serious infections, malignancies, cardiovascular, and hepatic abnormalities that may limit initiation of therapy and/or lead to discontinuation
- Given the risk profile of non-TNF α Inhibitors, ongoing clinical need exists for new agents that are efficacious and offer a reduced safety profile in the biologic refractory population
- Mesoblast MPC-300-IV has the potential to address this unmet medical need

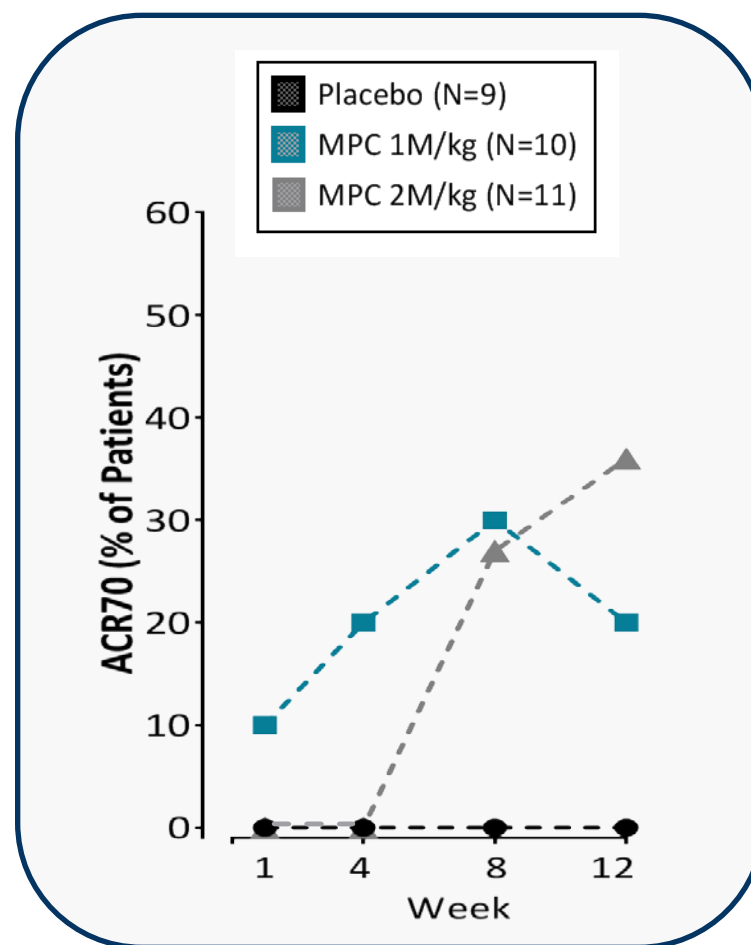
RA001: ACR70 Response (%) over 12 Weeks

All Subjects and Subgroup of 1-2 Prior Biologics^{1,2}

All Subjects



1-2 Prior Biologics

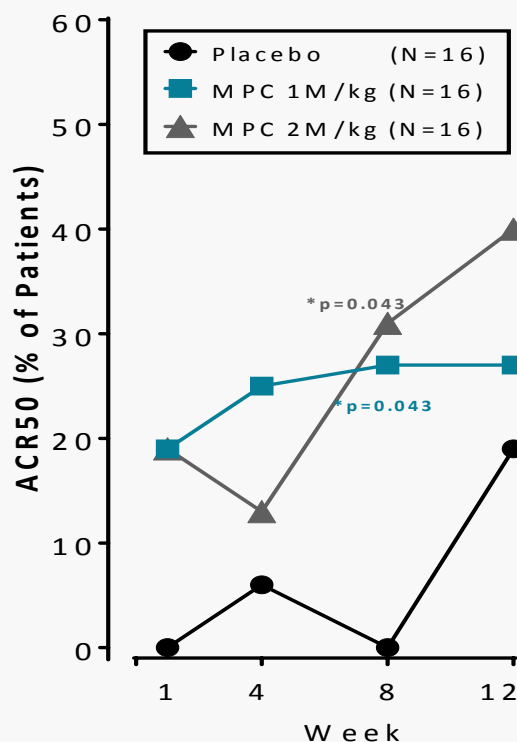


NOTE: 1) Values are observed n/N (%) at each time point
2) *P values vs. Placebo computed using Fisher exact test

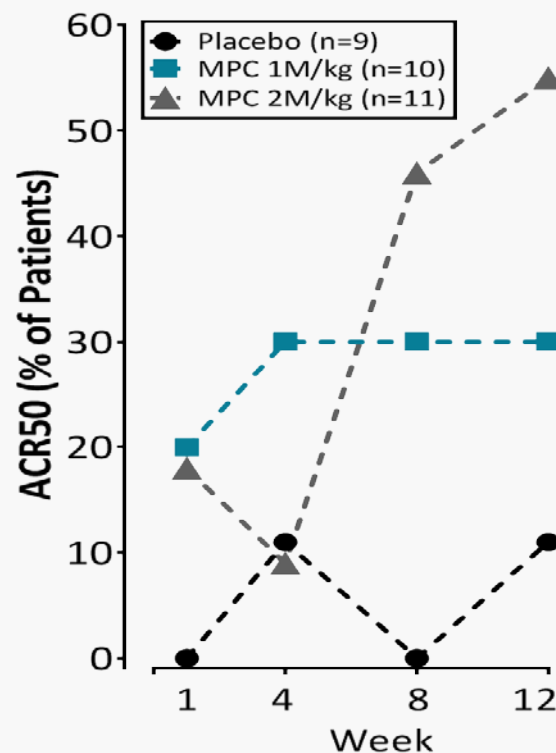
RA001: ACR50 Response (%) over 12 Weeks

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1-2 Prior Biologics

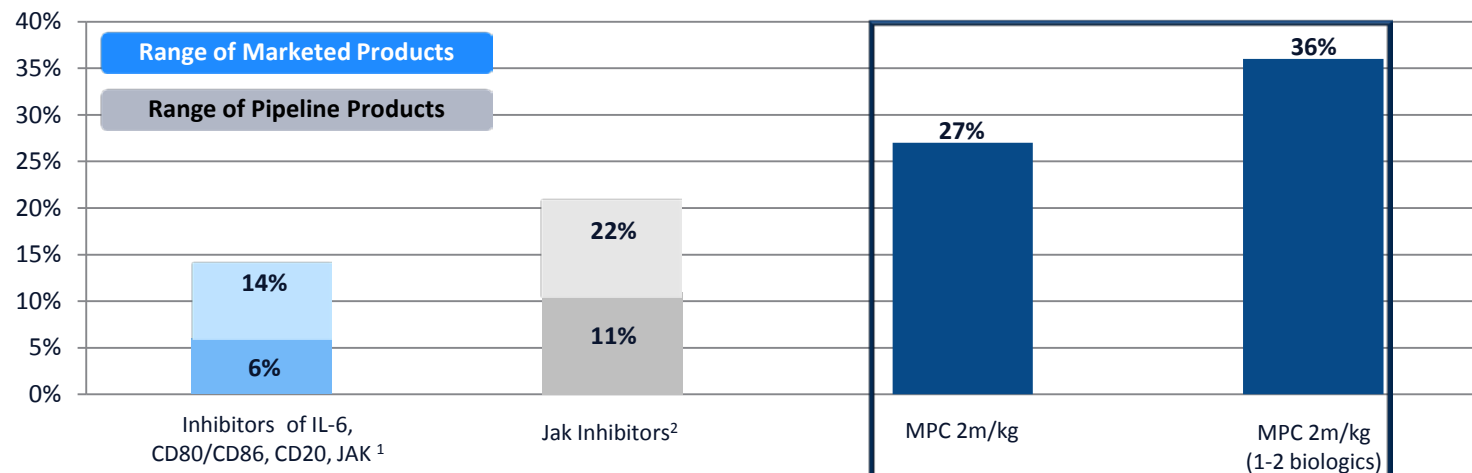


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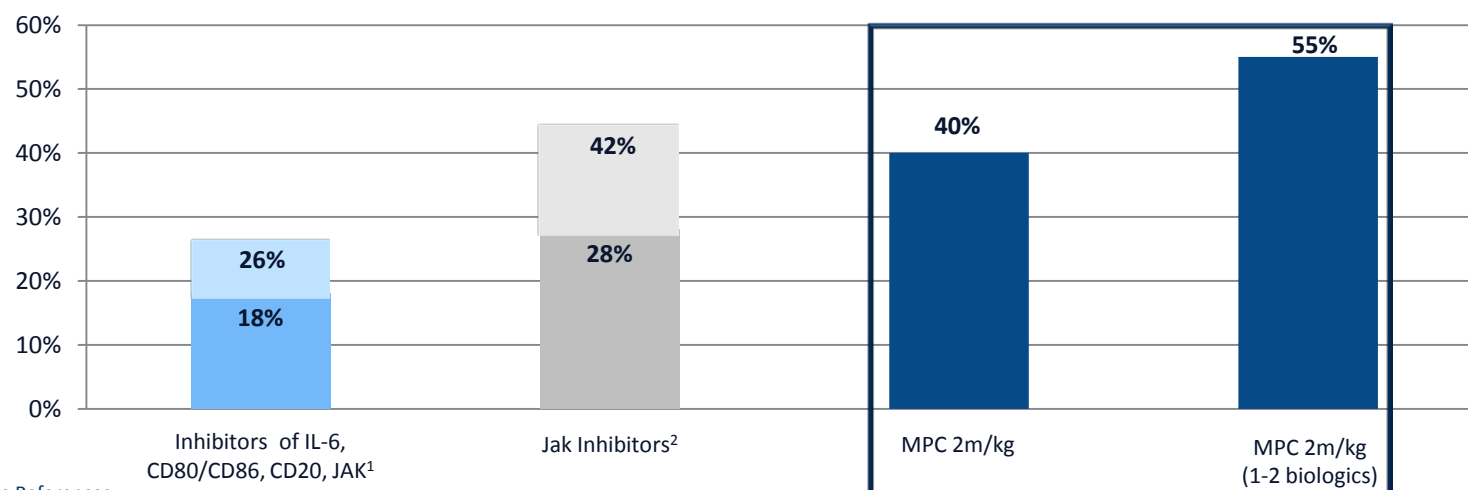
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One Dose of MPC-300-IV Provides Compelling Efficacy at 12 weeks in the Biologic Refractory Population*

ACR70 @ 3 Months



ACR50 @ 3 Months



*Source: See References

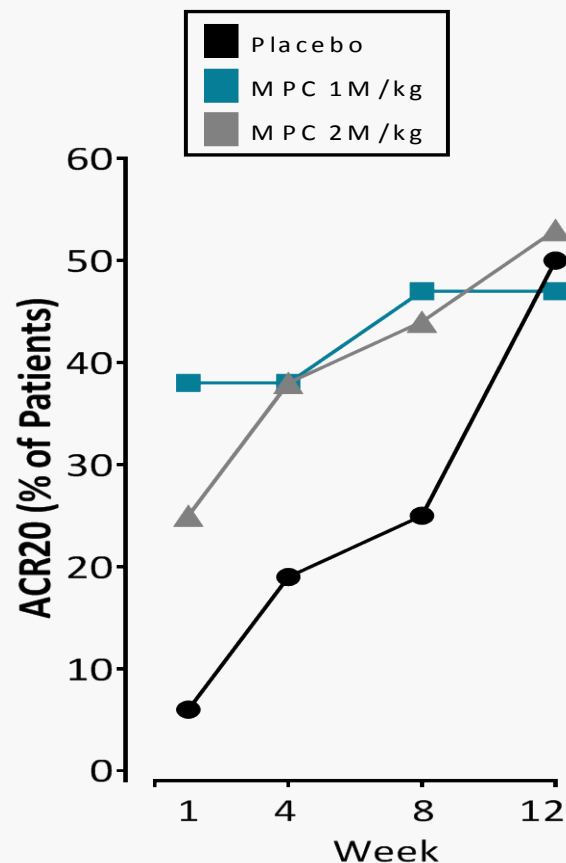
¹Inhibitors of IL-6 /CD80-CD86/CD-20/ JAK; Biologic Refractory Studies: Orenicia (BMS) – ATTAIN, Rituxan (Roche) – REFLEX, Actemra /8mg/kg (Roche)- RADIATE, Xeljanz /5mg bid (Phase III)

² Jak Inhibitors Biologic Refractory Studies: baricitinib/4mg (Eli Lilly/Incyte) – RA – BEACON, ABT-494 /12mg (AbbVie) – Phase IIB

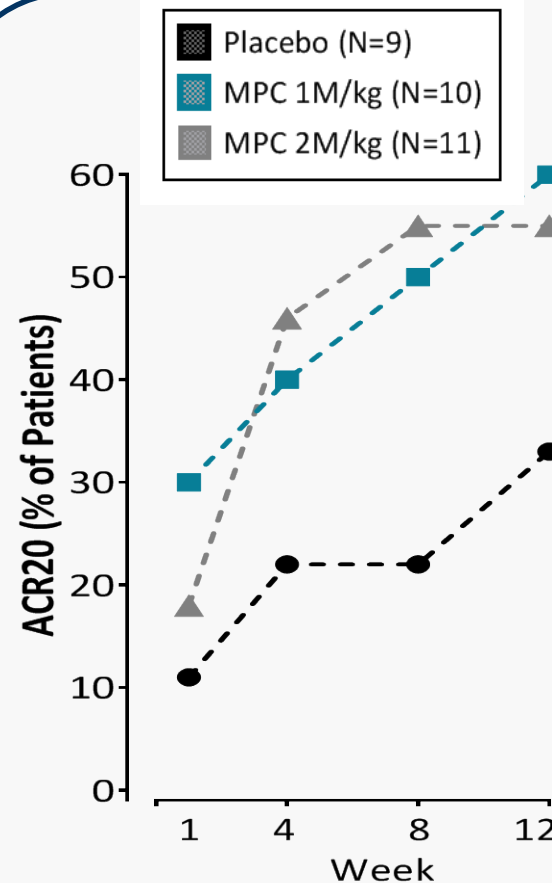
RA001: ACR20 Response (%) over 12 Weeks

All Subjects and Subgroup of 1-2 Prior Biologics^{1,2}

All Subjects



1-2 Prior Biologics

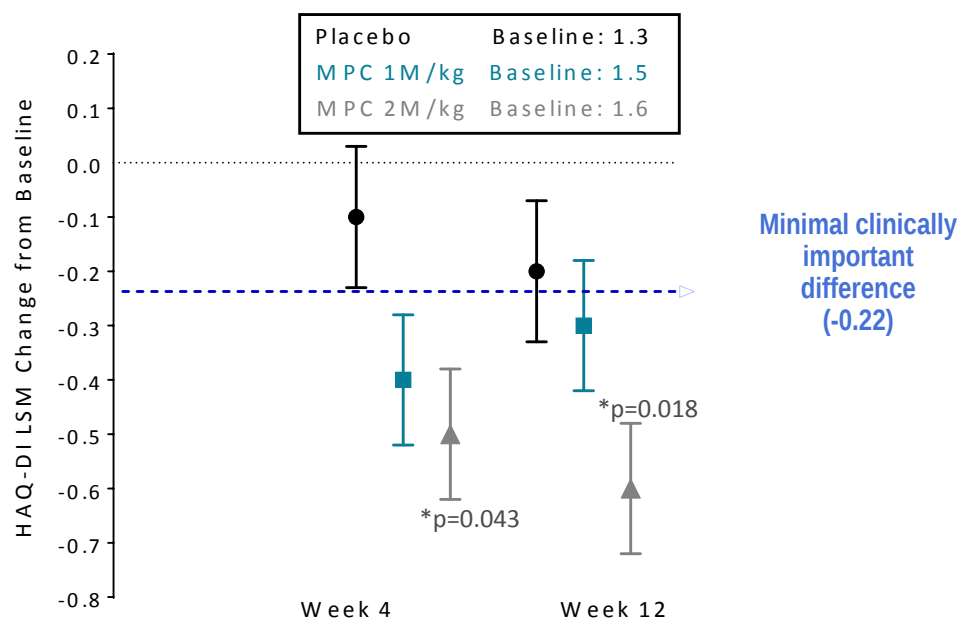


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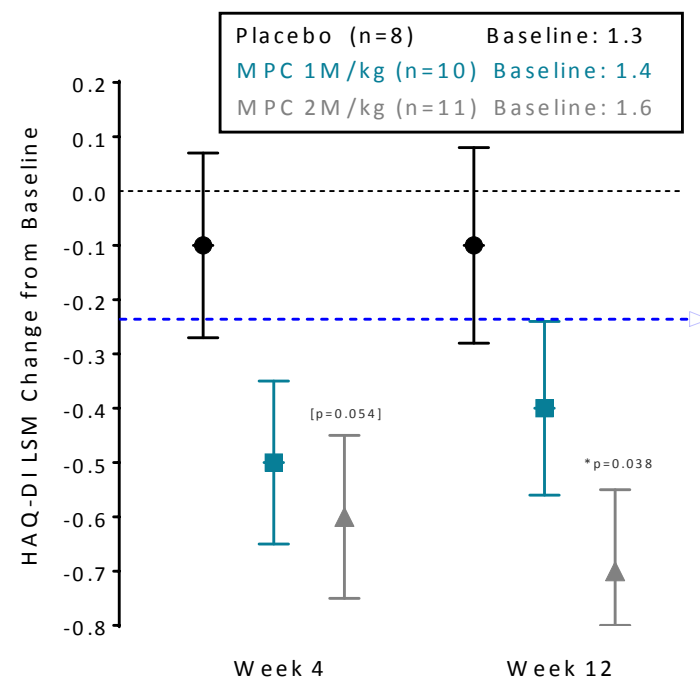
2) *P values vs. Placebo computed using Fisher exact test

Health Assessment Questionnaire – Disability Index (HAQ-DI) Least Squares Mean (SE) Change from Baseline at 4 and 12 Weeks All Subjects and Subgroup of 1-2 Prior Biologics^{1,2,3}

All Subjects



1-2 Prior Biologics



Significant dose-related improvement in physical function in 2M/kg MPC group vs. placebo

NOTE: 1) LS Mean= Least squares mean change from baseline from ANCOVA

2) HAQ-DI range is 0 to 3 (higher is worse)

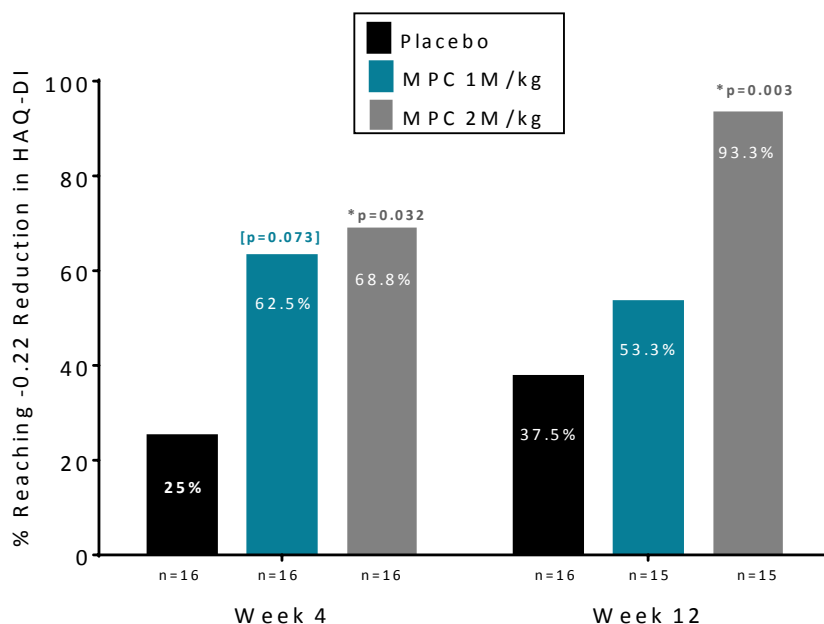
3) *P value vs. Placebo from ANCOVA model using treatment as factor and baseline value as covariate

Health Assessment Questionnaire – Disability Index (HAQ-DI)

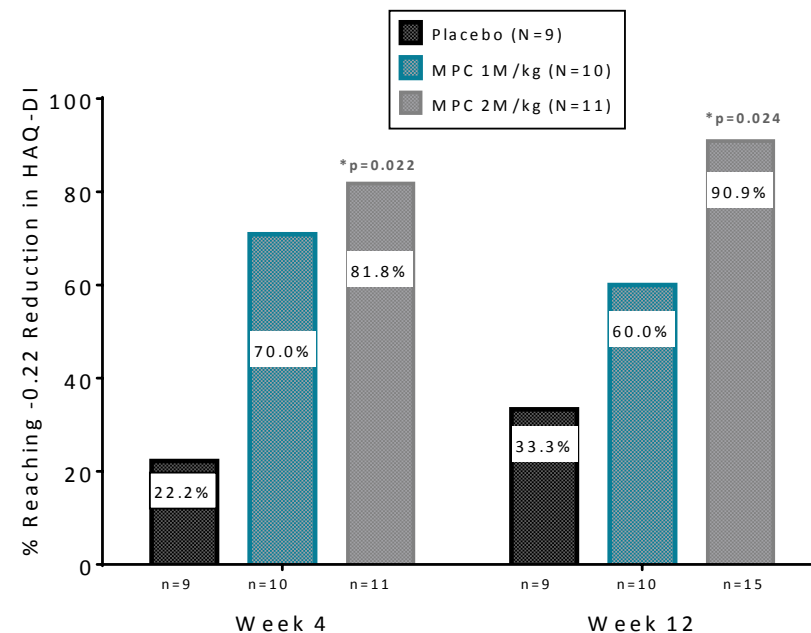
Percent that reached minimal clinically important reduction of -0.22 at 4 and 12 weeks

All Subjects and Subgroup of 1-2 Prior Biologics¹

All Subjects



1-2 Prior Biologics



Significantly more MPC patients achieved clinically important improvement in physical function

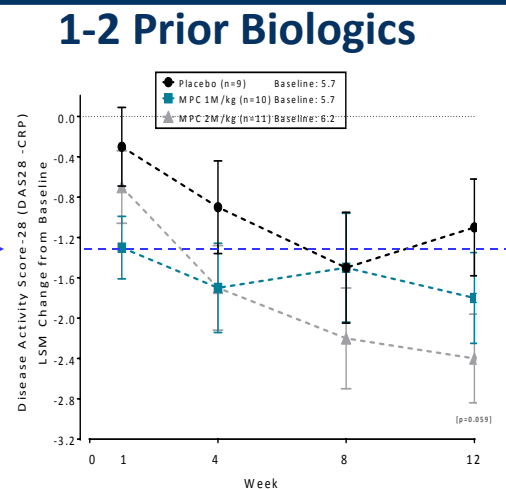
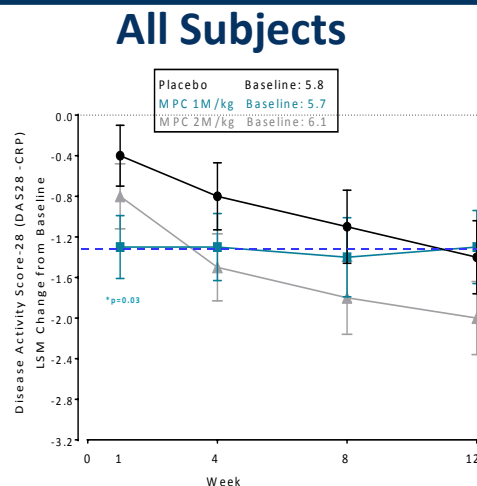
NOTE: 1) *P values vs. Placebo computed using Fisher exact test (observed values)

Disease Activity Score-28 –CRP (DAS28-CRP) at Week 12

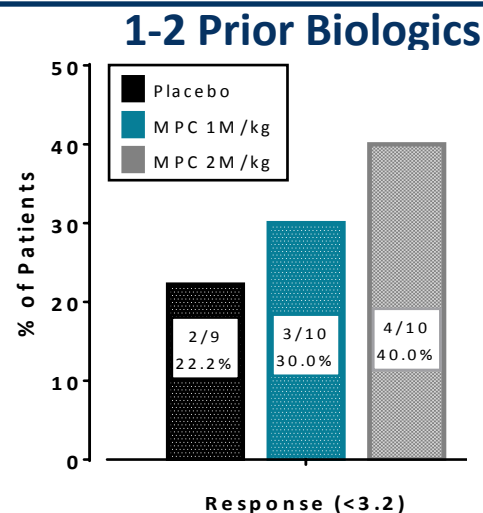
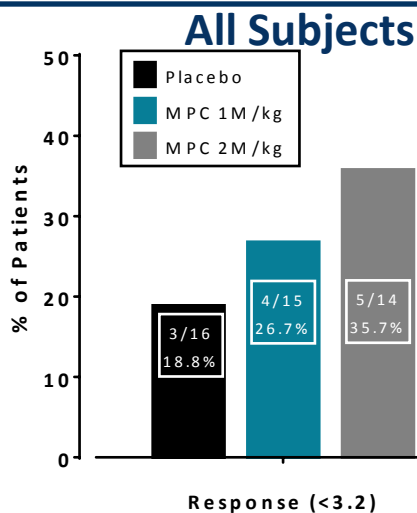
LS mean change from baseline and proportion of patients that achieved low disease activity state (defined as DAS28 ≤ 3.2)

All Subjects and Subgroup of 1-2 Prior Biologics

Least Squares
Mean Change
from Baseline



Response: ≤ 3.2



MPC-300-IV: Conclusions

- The biologic refractory rheumatoid arthritis (RA) population accounts for approximately one-third of all RA patients who have received anti-TNF or other biologic agents, is the hardest to treat, and requires new therapies that are both effective and safe, without the risk of serious infections or malignancies
- Intravenous infusions of allogeneic Mesenchymal Precursor Cells (MPCs) were well tolerated in biologic refractory RA patients and were without serious adverse events over 12 weeks
- A single intravenous MPC infusion in biologic refractory RA patients resulted in dose-related improvements in clinical symptoms, function, and disease activity, with the 2 million MPCs/kg dose providing the greatest benefit
- Importantly, ACR70, the most meaningful measure of clinical improvement, was achieved by significantly more of the high dose MPC-treated than placebo-treated patients
- In patients who had previously received 1-2 biologics, a single infusion of 2 million MPC/kg resulted in 55% and 36% ACR50 and ACR70 responses, respectively, compared with 11% and 0% of placebo treated patients, and in 91% of patients achieving the minimum clinically important improvement in physical function, defined as a reduction of at least -0.22 in the HAQ-DI, compared with 33% placebo treated patients
- The safety and efficacy results of this trial provide support for the potential of Mesoblast's allogeneic MPCs to be positioned as first-line treatment option in RA patients who have previously received a prior anti-TNF or other biologic agent

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