



In Vivo Efficacy of CD388 Against Seasonal Influenza in Prophylaxis in Immune Competent Mice, and in a Severe Immunodeficient (SCID) Mouse Model

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A universal influenza prophylactic agent does not yet exist

From the 2018-2019 flu season (USA)

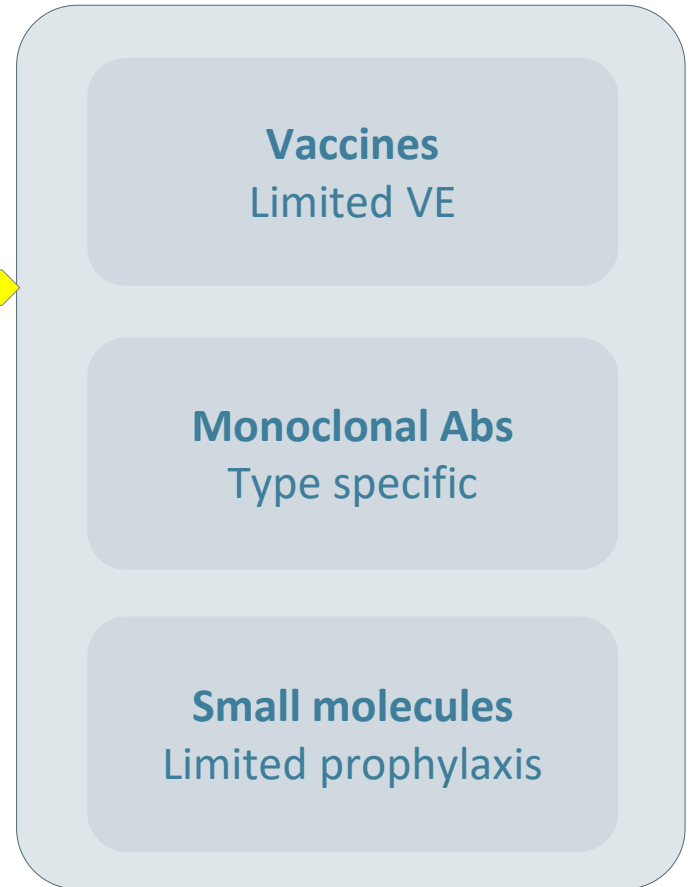


Source: CDC, WHO

Significant healthcare burden and mortality

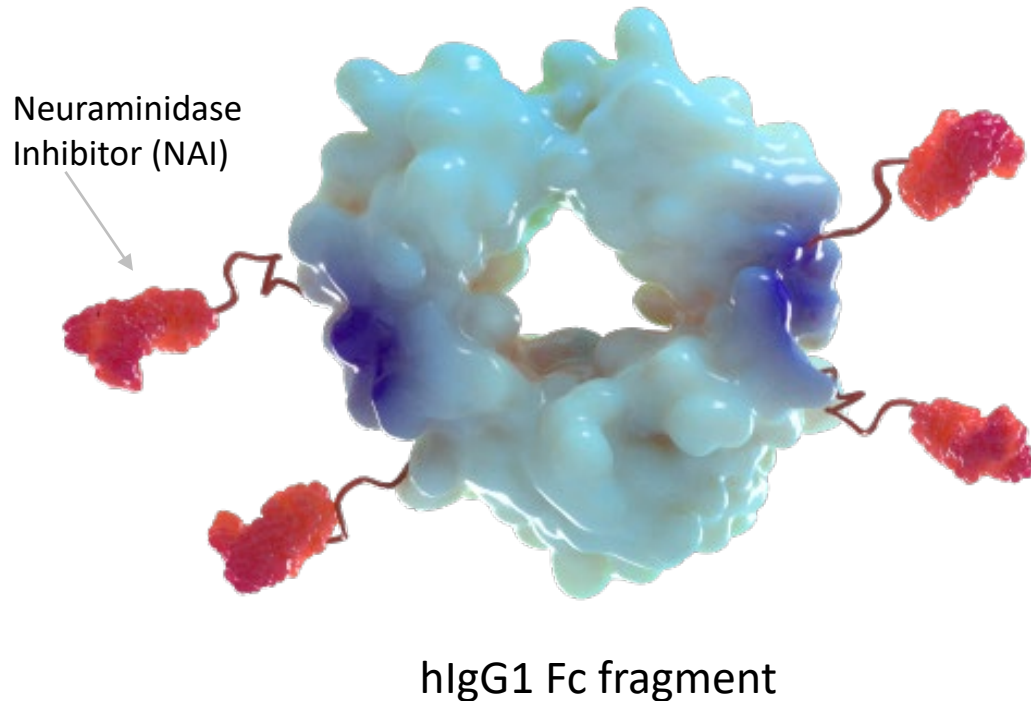
Significant limitations with existing flu therapeutics

Need for long-acting flu prevention with potent, universal activity



Drug Fc-Conjugates (DFCs) are a novel modality for prevention of Influenza

CD388



- **The DFC platform is tunable and modular**

- The inhibitor is a potent, broad spectrum small molecule NA inhibitor
- The NAI is connected to the Fc fragment by a stable, non-cleavable linker
- NAI to Fc ratio is tunable for efficacy and physical properties
- Modified Fc to extend half-life
- **Multivalent presentation of inhibitor allows for retention of activity against NAI-resistant isolates**

CD388 outperforms approved small molecule antivirals in CPE assays

Assay: In vitro cell-based assay measuring test article ability to inhibit virus induced CPE*

Influenza subtype	CD388 Median EC ₅₀ [nM] (EC ₅₀ [nM] range)	Oseltamivir Median EC ₅₀ [nM] (EC ₅₀ [nM] range)	Zanamivir Median EC ₅₀ [nM] (EC ₅₀ [nM] range)	Baloxavir Median EC ₅₀ [nM] (EC ₅₀ [nM] range)
A/H1N1 (n=16)	0.80 (0.01 to 11.25)	185.3 (29.39 to >10,000)	128.5 (17.22 to 7482)	1.44 (0.11 to 26.55)
A/H3N2 (n=15)	1.27 (0.03 to 8.53)	1166 (2.58 to >10,000)	2160 (3.06 to >10,000)	1.62 (<0.00001 to 8.92)
B (n=13)	1.72 (0.03 to 8.71)	1483 (151.9 to >10,000)	401.1 (31.9 to 2991)	9.99 (0.12 to 40.82)

❖ *CD388 demonstrates superiority to oseltamivir and zanamivir; on par with baloxavir*

CD388 is a potent antiviral that covers NAI resistant strains

Assay: in vitro cleavage of a neuraminidase substrate by virus in the presence of test articles

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H275Y A/Alabama/03/2020 (H1N1)pdm09	0.98	0.16	426.80
H134N B/Laos/0080/2016	4.66	310.80	171.80

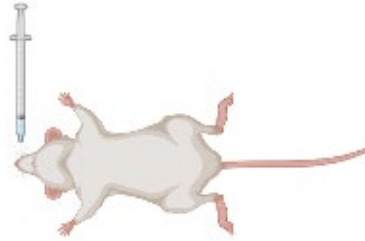
❖ *CD388 retains activity against clinically relevant neuraminidase variants*

(CDC NAI Susceptibility Reference Panel; version 2/3)

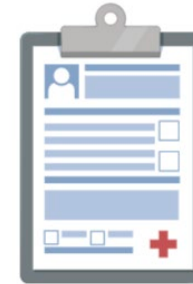
CD388 mouse efficacy screening models - prevention



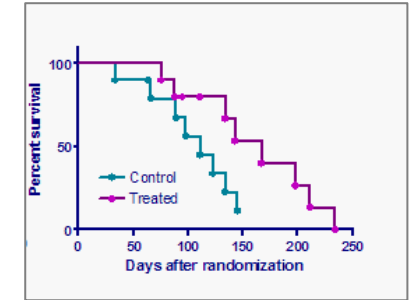
**Administration
(IM/SC)
(T-7d)**



**Infection (3x LD₉₅)
(T+0d)**



**Health checks
Body weight
(T+21d)**



**Kaplan-Meier
Survival curves**

Additional in vivo studies:

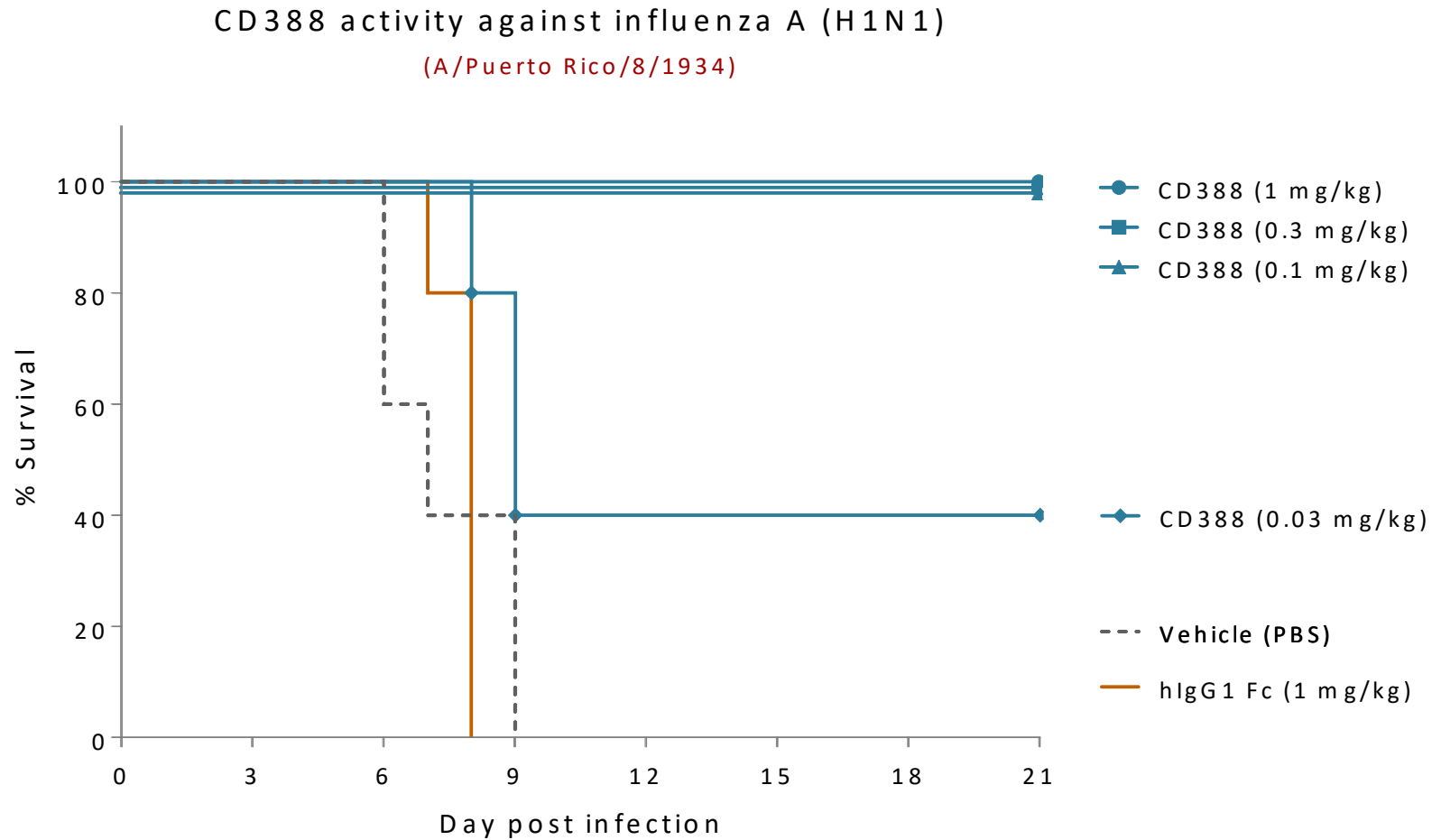
*BALB/c, SCID, Tg32, and Fcer1g^{-/-} mice
Dose schedules (T-7d to T+72h)*

Additional readouts:

*Cytokine profile
Lung burden*

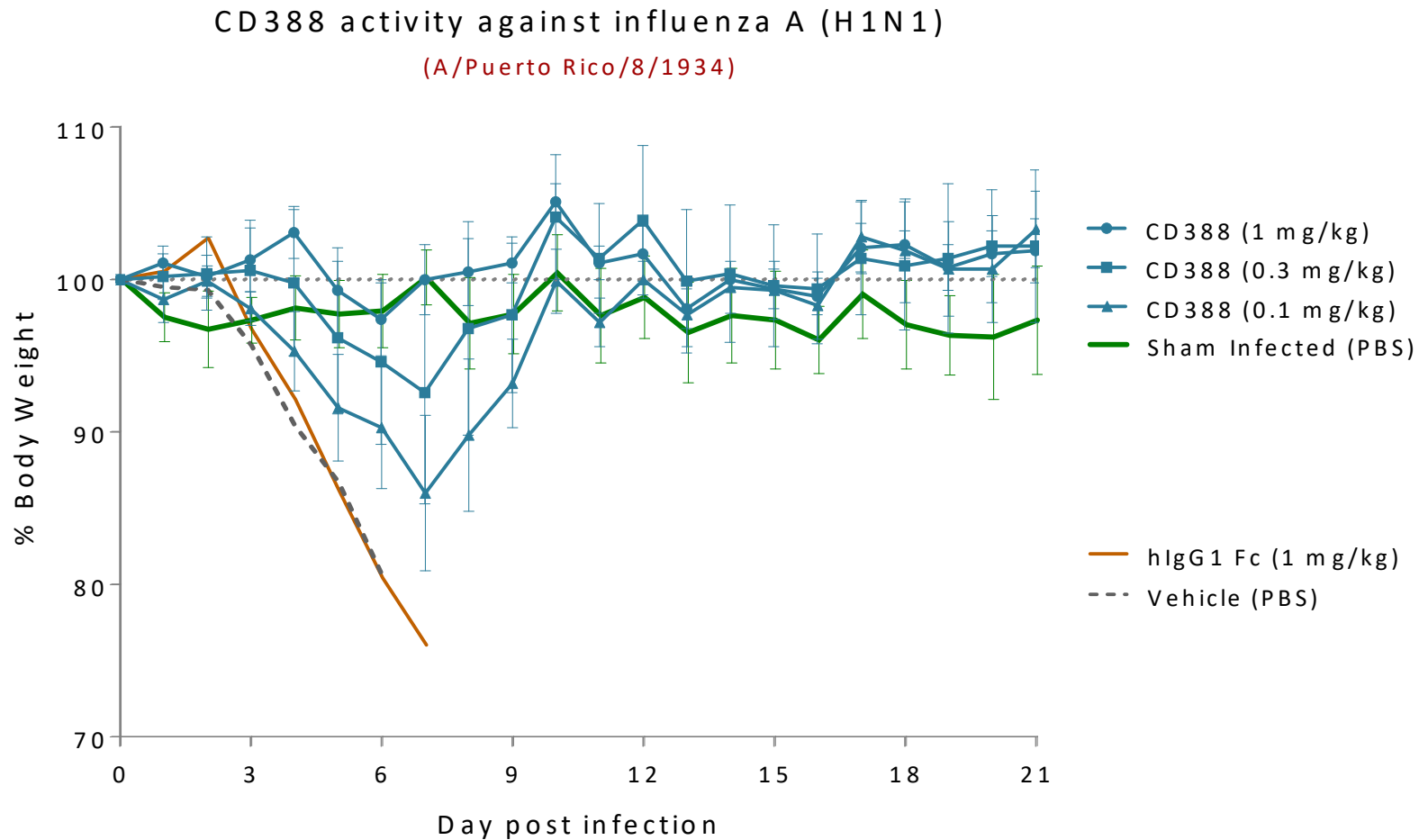
In vitro potency translates to efficacy in lethal challenge models

Model: T-7d prophylaxis against H1N1 (single dose)



Minimal body weight reduction with low doses of CD388

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CD388 is a potent antiviral in both prevention and treatment models

Prevention (T-7d)

Subtype	Number of isolates tested	Fully protective dose required for complete subtype coverage (mg/kg)
A (H1N1)	7	1
A (H3N2)	1	0.3
B (Victoria)	2	1
B (Yamagata)	1	0.3

Treatment (T+2h)

Subtype	Number of isolates tested	Fully protective dose required for complete subtype coverage (mg/kg)
A (H1N1)	8	1
A (H3N2)	1	0.3
B (Victoria)	2	0.3
B (Yamagata)	1	0.3

➤ **1 mg/kg fully protective @ T+72h in a delayed treatment model**

- ❖ **A single dose of CD388 at 1 mg/kg is fully protective against lethal challenge by seasonal isolates**
- ❖ **This includes H275Y and H134N isolates resistant to oseltamivir and zanamivir, respectively**

CD388 is more active than approved drugs in an immune-compromised model

Model: Severe Combined Immunodeficient (SCID) - Mice lacking B and T lymphocytes

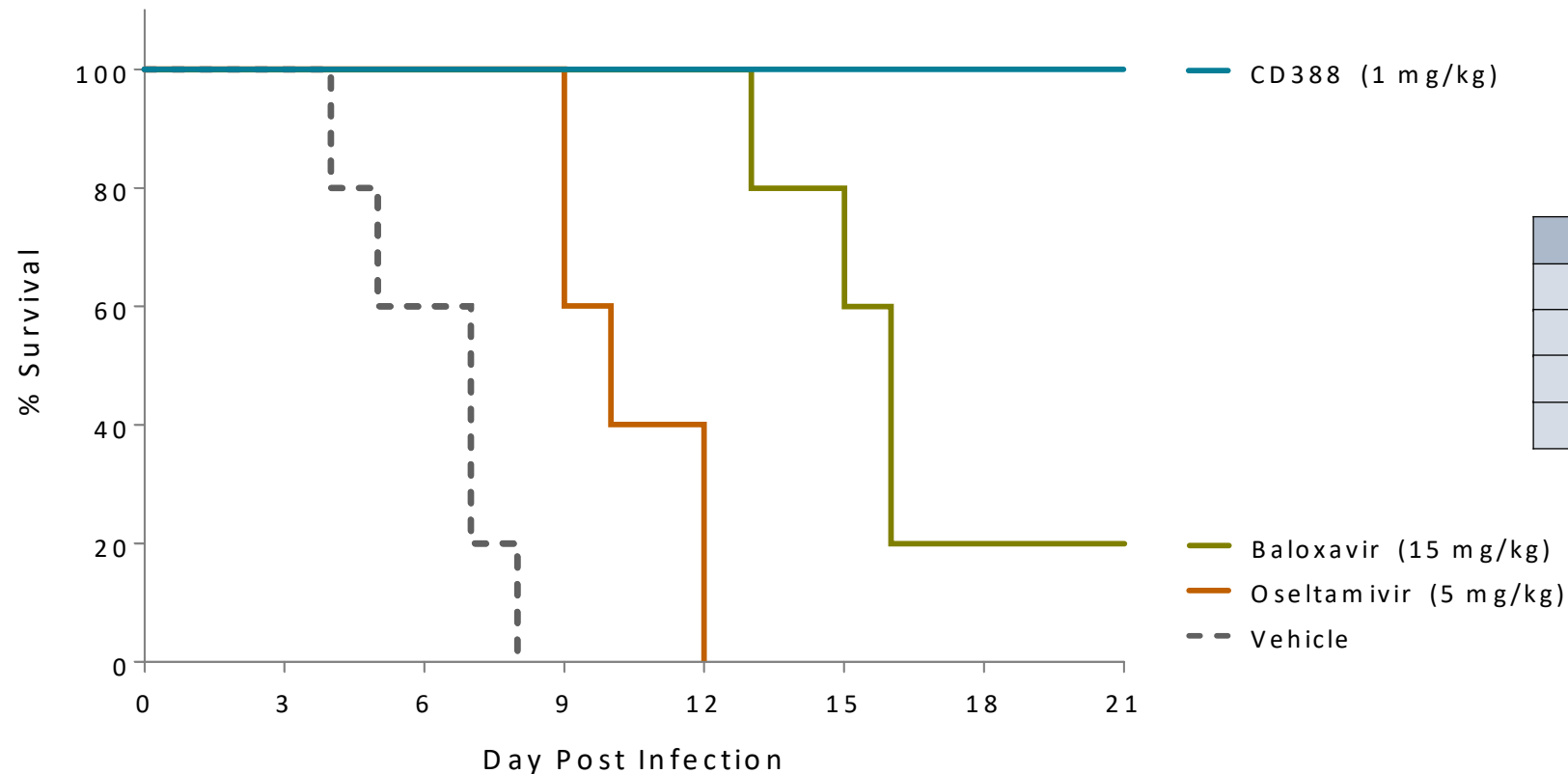
CD388 activity in a SCID model
(A/PR/8/34) (H1N1)

Dosing (n=5/group):

Oseltamivir (5 mg/kg, bid x5d)

Baloxavir (15 mg/kg, bid x1d)

CD388 (1, 3, & 10 mg/kg, single)

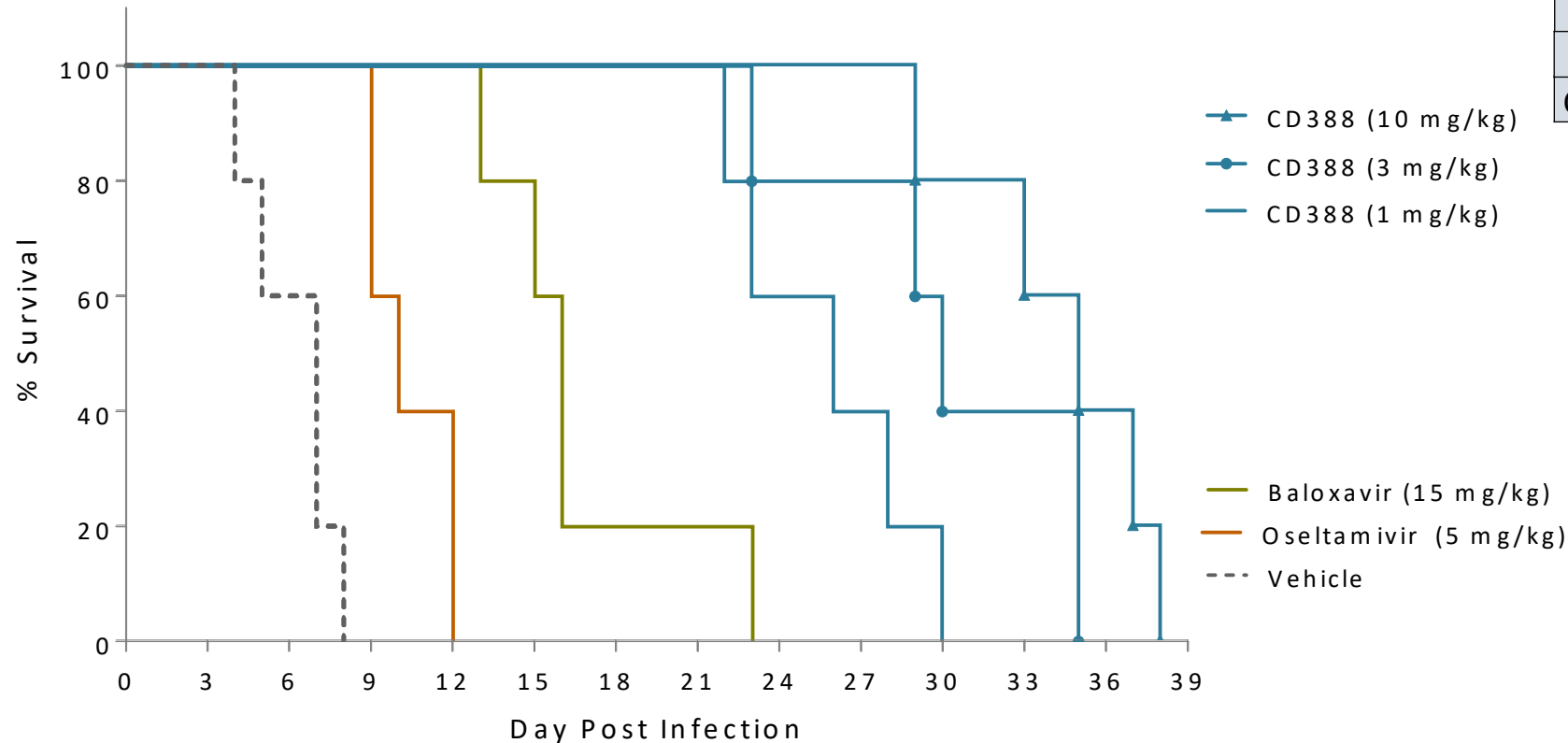


Test article	Median time of death (d)
Vehicle	7
Oseltamivir	10
Baloxavir	16
CD388	>21

CD388 achieves prolonged protection in a murine SCID model

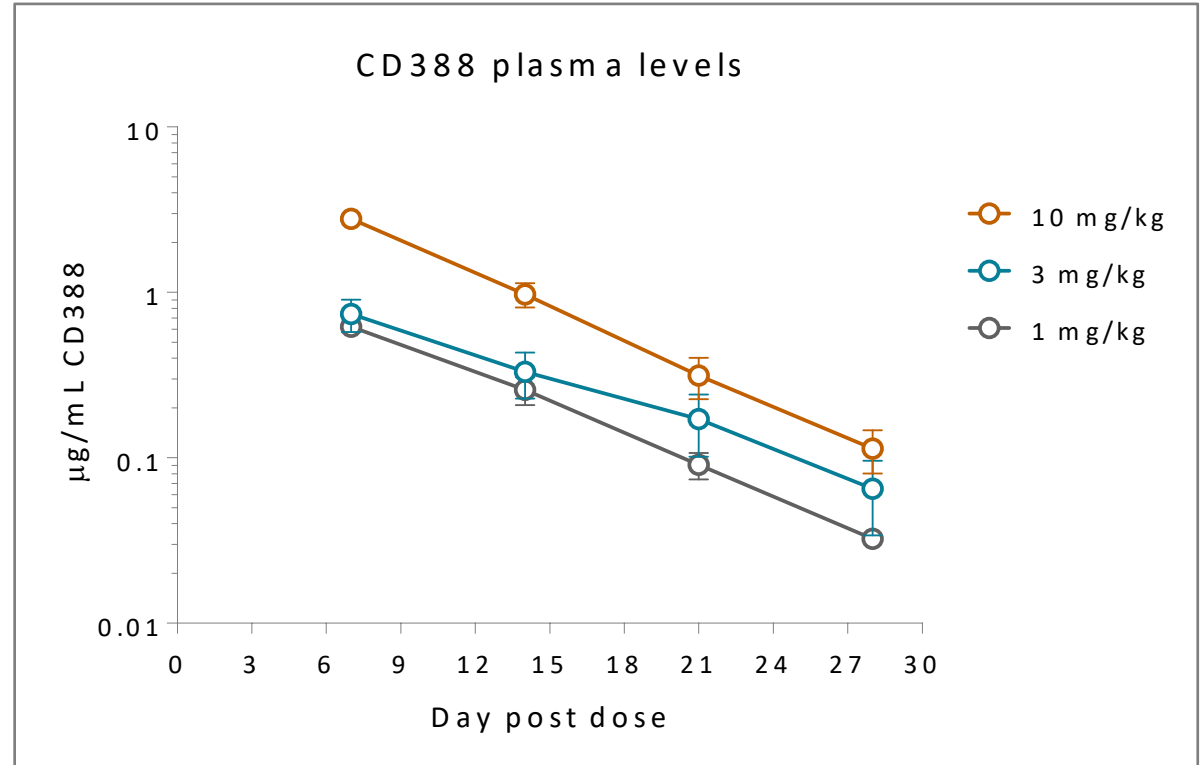
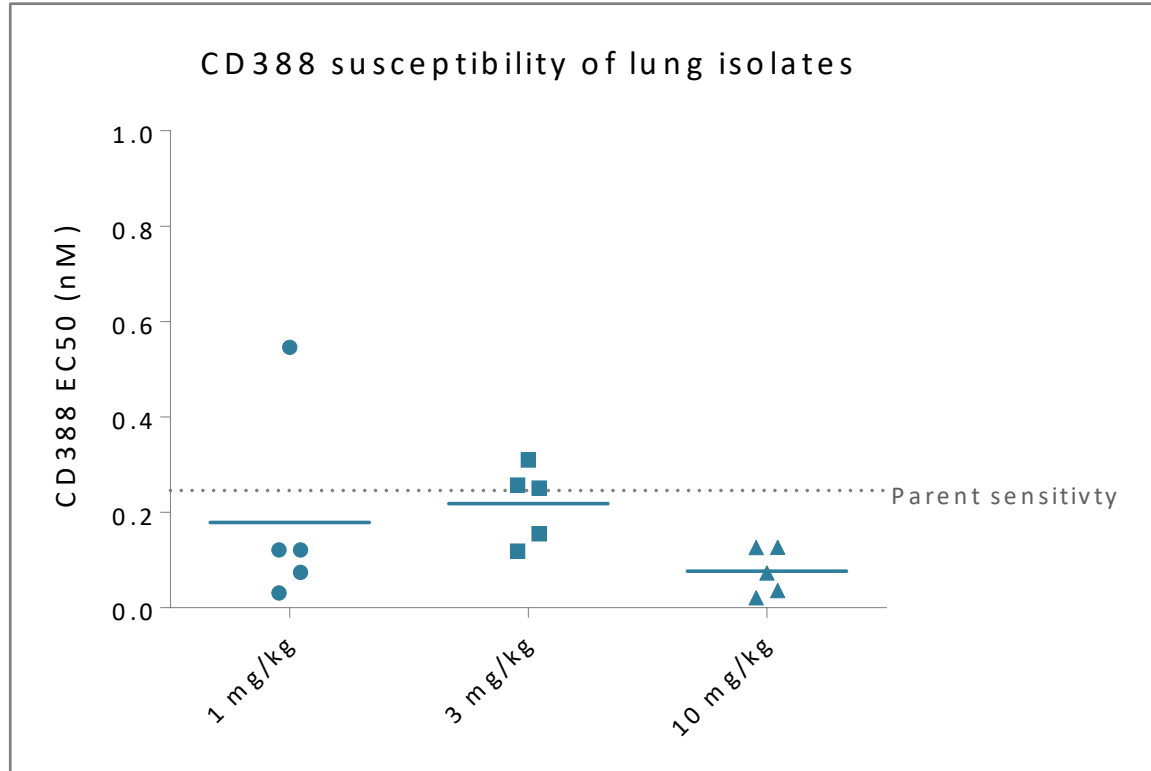
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CD388 activity in a SCID model
(A/PR/8/34) (H1N1)



Test article	Median time of death (d)
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Baloxavir	16
CD388 (1 mg/kg)	26
CD388 (3 mg/kg)	30
CD388 (10 mg/kg)	35

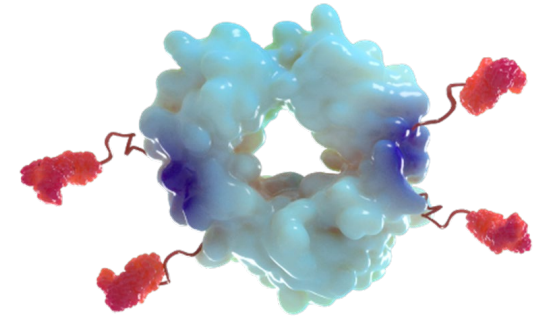
CD388 has a low resistance potential and is active at low [plasma]



- ❖ No significant change in CD388 susceptibility over time in this model
- ❖ Re-emergence of infection when plasma levels drop below $\sim 0.2 \mu\text{g/mL}$ (0.091 – 0.171)

CD388 is a potent antiviral superior to existing therapeutic options

CD388



CD388 demonstrates:

- **Exceptional activity against seasonal influenza in prevention and treatment models**
- **Activity against naturally occurring neuraminidase variants**
- **Superior protection in an immune-deficient model of influenza**
- **A low resistance potential and activity at low plasma concentrations**

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***Efficacy of CD388, a Novel Drug Fc-Conjugate (DFC),
is Driven by the Small Molecule Neuraminidase Inhibitor (NAI)***

Simon Döhrmann, PhD

Session Title: Antimicrobial Novel Agents

Session Date: Saturday October 14, 2023

Session Time: 12:15 PM - 1:30 PM

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***Single Ascending Dose Safety, Tolerability, and Pharmacokinetics of
Subcutaneous and Intramuscular CD388, a Novel Long-acting Drug-Fc
Conjugate for Universal Prevention of Seasonal and Pandemic Influenza***

Shawn Flanagan, PhD

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