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# Diseases of the Developing World. The Open lab experience in Spain

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# Diseases of the Developing World



- Group of diseases that are predominant in the poorest parts of the world.
- **Malaria, Tuberculosis** and Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs).
- NTDs. Dengue, rabies, blinding trachoma, Buruli ulcer, endemic treponematoses (yaws), leprosy (Hansen disease), **Chagas disease**, human African trypanosomiasis (sleeping sickness), **leishmaniasis**, cysticercosis, dracunculiasis (guinea-worm disease), echinococcosis, foodborne trematode infections, lymphatic filariasis, onchocerciasis (river blindness), schistosomiasis (bilharziasis), soiltransmitted helminthiasis (intestinal worms).
- chromoblastomycosis and other deep mycoses, scabies and other ectoparasites and snakebite envenoming
- NTDs are prevalent in 149 countries, affecting > 1.4 billion people (WHO).



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## New chemical entities approved 1975-1999



Therapeutic areas	Approved NCEs 1975-99*	Disability-adjusted life-years (DALYs)†			
		Number (×10 <sup>5</sup> )	World-wide (%)	High-income countries (%)	Low- and middle-income countries (%)
Central nervous system	211 (15.1%)	159.46	11.5	23.5	10.5
Cardiovascular	179 (12.8%)	143.02	10.3	18.0	9.7
Cytostatics (neoplasms)	111 (8.0%)	84.87	6.1	15.8	5.2
Respiratory (non-infectious)	89 (6.4%)	61.60	4.5	7.4	4.2
Anti-infectives and antiparasitics§	224 (16.1%)	409.08	29.6	4.2	31.8
HIV/AIDS¶	26 (1.9%)	70.93	5.1	0.9	5.5
Tuberculosis	3 (0.2%)	28.19	2.0	0.1	2.2
Tropical diseases (total)**	1.4% 13 (0.9%)	130.35	9.4	15% 0.3	10.2
Malaria	4 (0.3%)	39.27	2.8	0.0	3.1
Other therapeutic categories	579 (41.6%)	524.54	37.94	31.08	38.59
Total	1393 (100%)	1382.56	100	100	100

Table 1. New chemical entities (NCEs) approved between 1975 and 1999 by drug class and relative to disease burden

Pyrazinamide, rifabutin, rifapentine. \*\*Benznidazole, nifurtimox (Chagas' disease); albendazole (helminthic infection); eflornithine (human African trypanosomiasis); artemether, atovaquone+proguanil, halofantrine, mefloquine (malaria); ivermectin (onchocerciasis); oxamniquine, praziquantel (schistosomiasis) and two reformulations of already approved drugs: liposomal amphotericin B (leishmaniasis) and pentamidine (African trypanosomiasis).



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	All new products*	NCEs only	DALYs (in thousands)
Neuropsychiatric disorders	134 (16%)	49 (15%)	199 280 (13%)
Cancer	103 (12%)	81 (24%)	79 765 (5%)
Cardiovascular diseases	70 (8%)	29 (9%)	151 377 (10%)
Genitourinary system and sex hormones	55 (7%)	18 (5%)	14 754 (1%)
Digestive diseases	46 (5%)	23 (7%)	42 498 (3%)
Sense organ disorders	37 (4%)	13 (4%)	86 883 (6%)
Neglected diseases	37 (4%)	4 (1%)	159 976 (11%)
Malaria	12 (1%)	3 (1%)	33 976 (2%)
Tuberculosis	7 (1%)	0	34 217 (2%)
Diarrhoeal diseases	7 (1%)	1 (<0.5%)	72 777 (5%)
Neglected tropical diseases	5 (1%)	0	18 325 (1%)
Other neglected diseases	6 (1%)	0	681 (<0.5%)
HIV/AIDS	36 (4%)	12 (4%)	58 513 (4%)
Respiratory diseases (non-infectious)	31 (4%)	7 (2%)	59 039 (4%)
Diabetes mellitus	28 (3%)	9 (3%)	19 705 (1%)
Musculoskeletal diseases	26 (3%)	13 (4%)	30 869 (2%)
Other infectious and parasitic diseases	113 (13%)	23 (7%)	181 441 (12%)
All other diseases†	134 (16%)	55 (16%)	439 159 (29%)
Total	850 (100%)	336 (100%)	1 523 259 (100%)

Data are n (%). \* Includes NCEs, new formulations, fixed-dose combinations, new indications, and vaccines or biologicals. † Maternal and perinatal disorders, nutritional deficiencies, congenital abnormalities, skin diseases, endocrine disorders, oral diseases, and injuries.

**Table 2: Disease indications of all new products and of new chemical entities (NCEs) compared with worldwide disability-adjusted life-years (2004 DALYs; 2000-11)**



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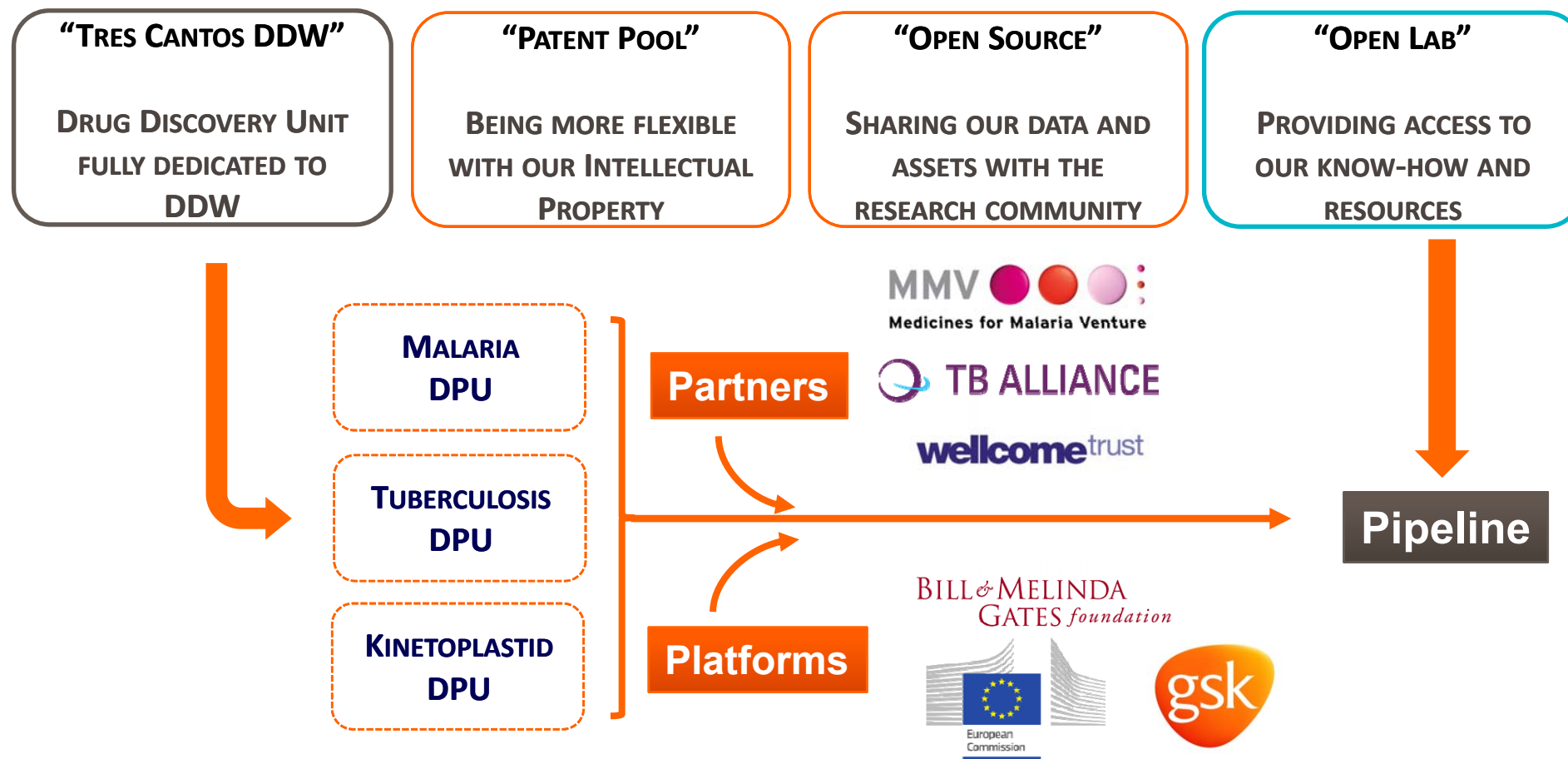
- Lack of NCE approved reflects not only lack of investment.....
  - 2010. US\$2.4 billion (1% overall healthcare expenditure).
  - 2011. US\$3.04 billion.
  
- ...but also lack of knowledge, tools and platforms and innovation, etc
  - Increase attrition rate
  
- Multifactorial issue requires a “**Collaborative effort**” in drug discovery

GSK announced ‘Open Innovation’ strategy for DDW in 2010



# GSK DDW Open Innovation approach

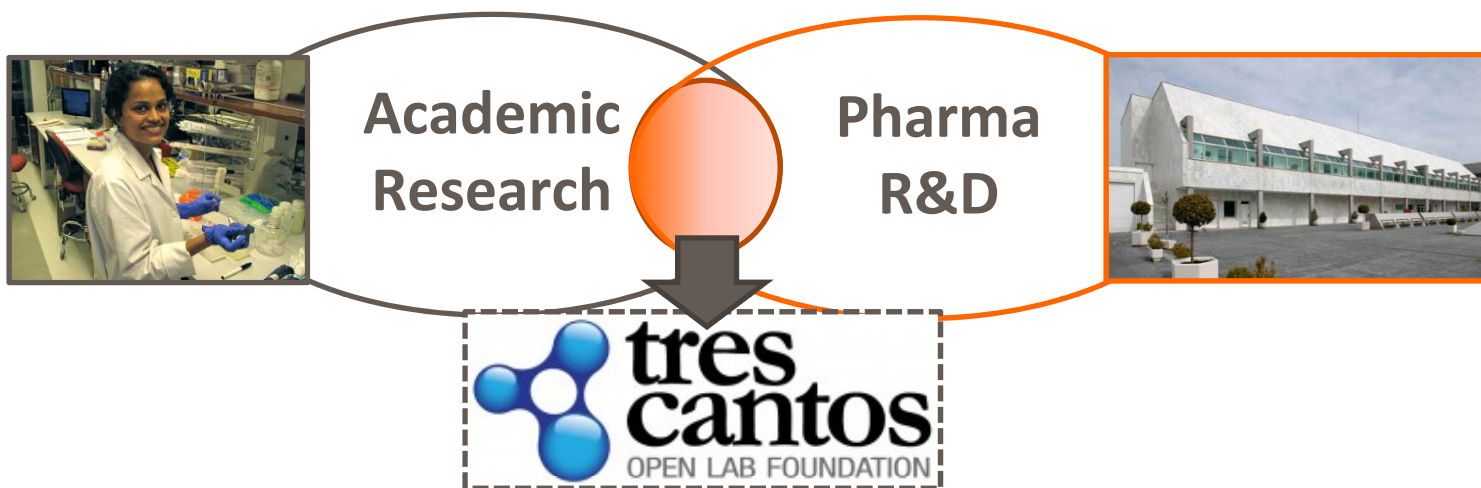
*Collaboration and flexibility as key principles*





# The Open Lab: What it is and how it works

*Merging academic and pharma R&D in a discovery environment*



- Independent foundation focused on TB, Malaria and Kinetoplastids DD
- Established in 2010 (£10M by GSK + €1.2M from EU FP7)

## GOVERNING BOARD FORMED BY KEY OPINION LEADERS IN DDW



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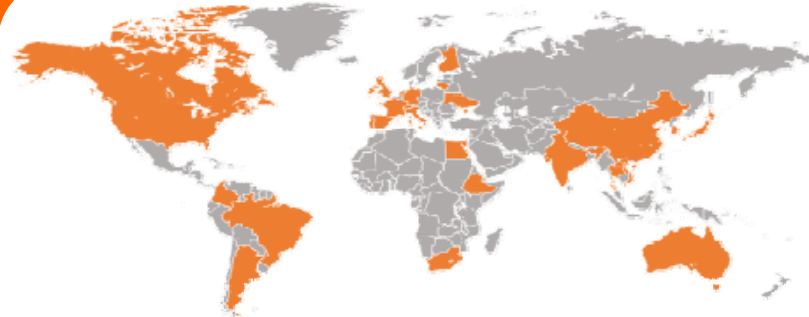


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**PHARMA R&D**



**ACADEMIC RESEARCH**

**256** PROPOSALS EVALUATED, **72** PROJECTS FUNDED  
**85** VISITING SCIENTISTS

**22 ACTIVE PROJECTS**



**48 COMPLETED PROJECTS**





# Open Lab Project: Phenotypic screening.

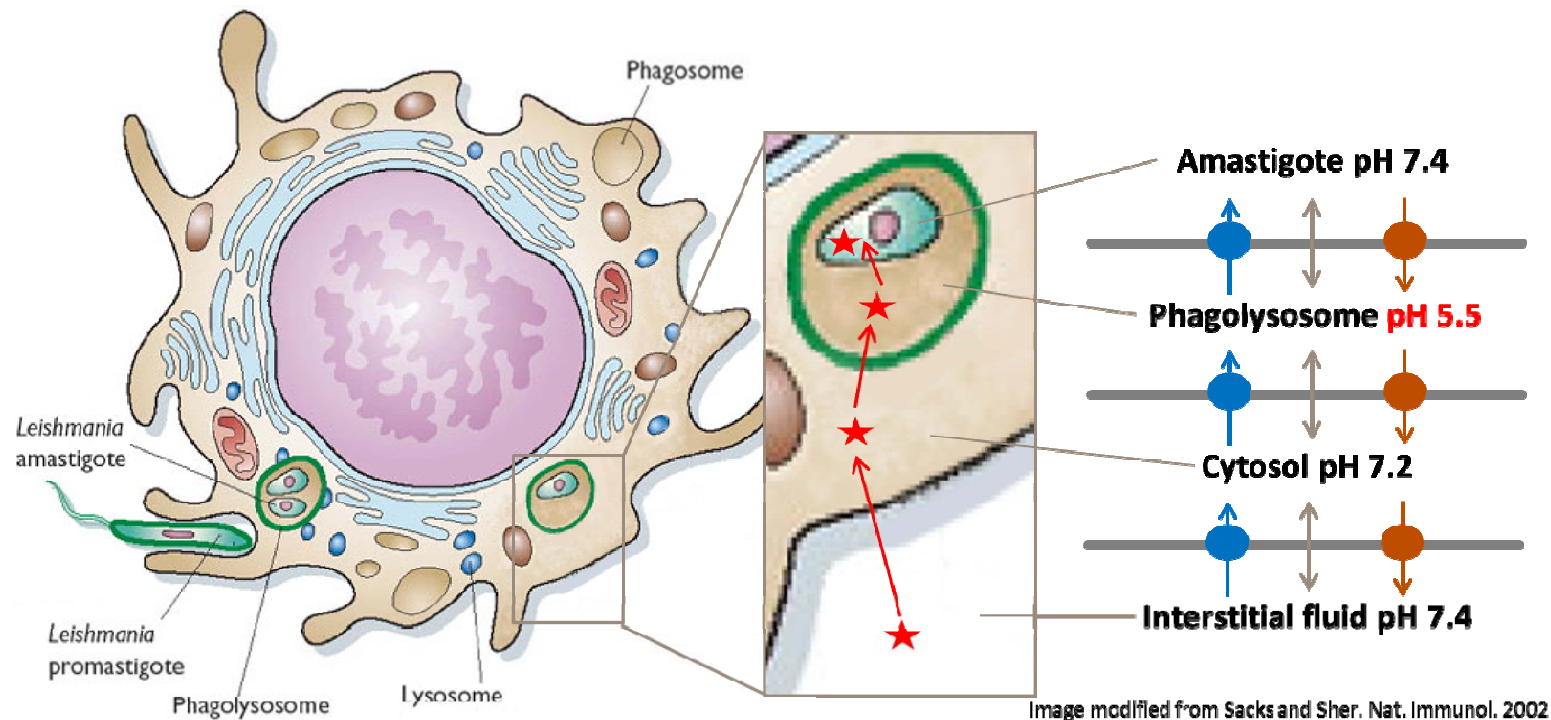
## Kinetoplastid parasites



### ➤ Lack of translational assays

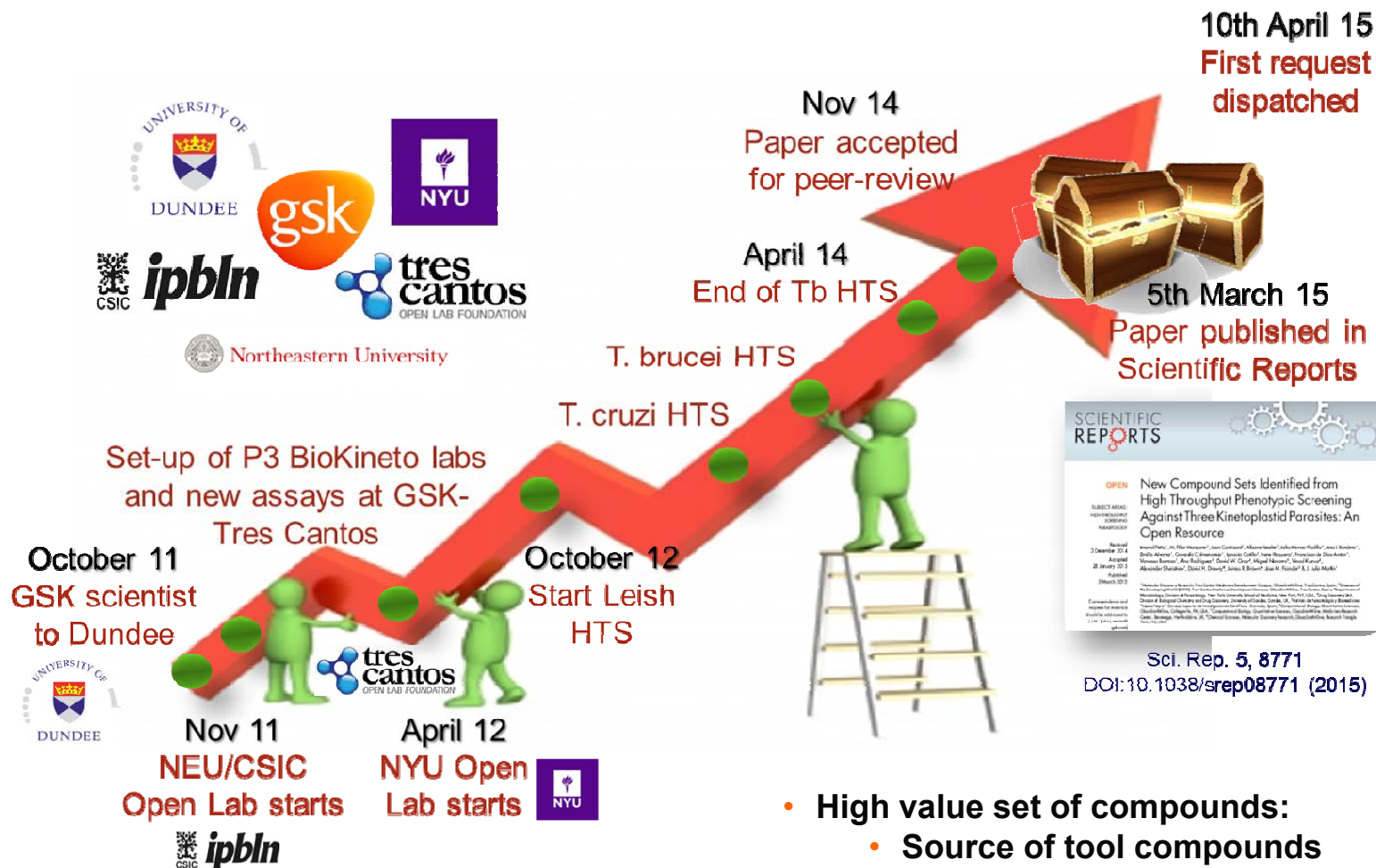
*in vitro*  *in vivo*. Many false positive

- Reaching the biophase
- Relevant form of the parasite





# Long and Eventful Travel to Kineto Boxes



- High value set of compounds:
  - Source of tool compounds
  - Source of Lead Optimization Projects

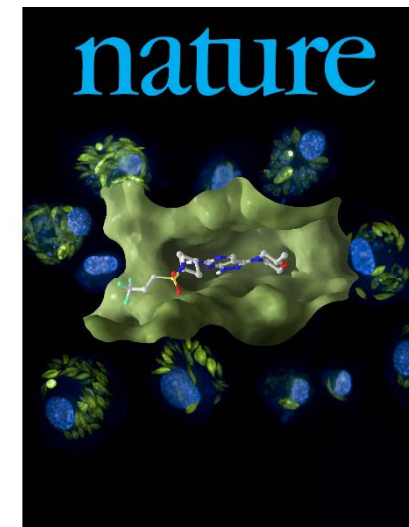
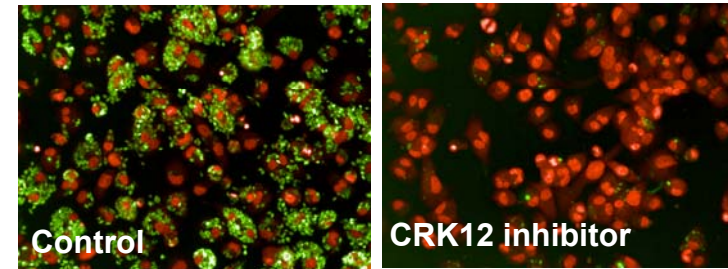


# Preclinical candidate for VL

## GSK3186899A



- Collaboration with Dundee University
- Identified by phenotypic screening.
- Deconvoluted their primary targets. CRK12.
- Novel, cidal and highly selective mode of action.
- Similar oral *in vivo mouse* efficacy to miltefosine (unique oral treatment but teratogenic).
- The assets fits our Target Medicine Profile.
- World-leading science



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