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# From Serendipity to Rational Design

*Taking Molecular Glue Degraders to New Heights*

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# Monte Rosa Therapeutics Overview

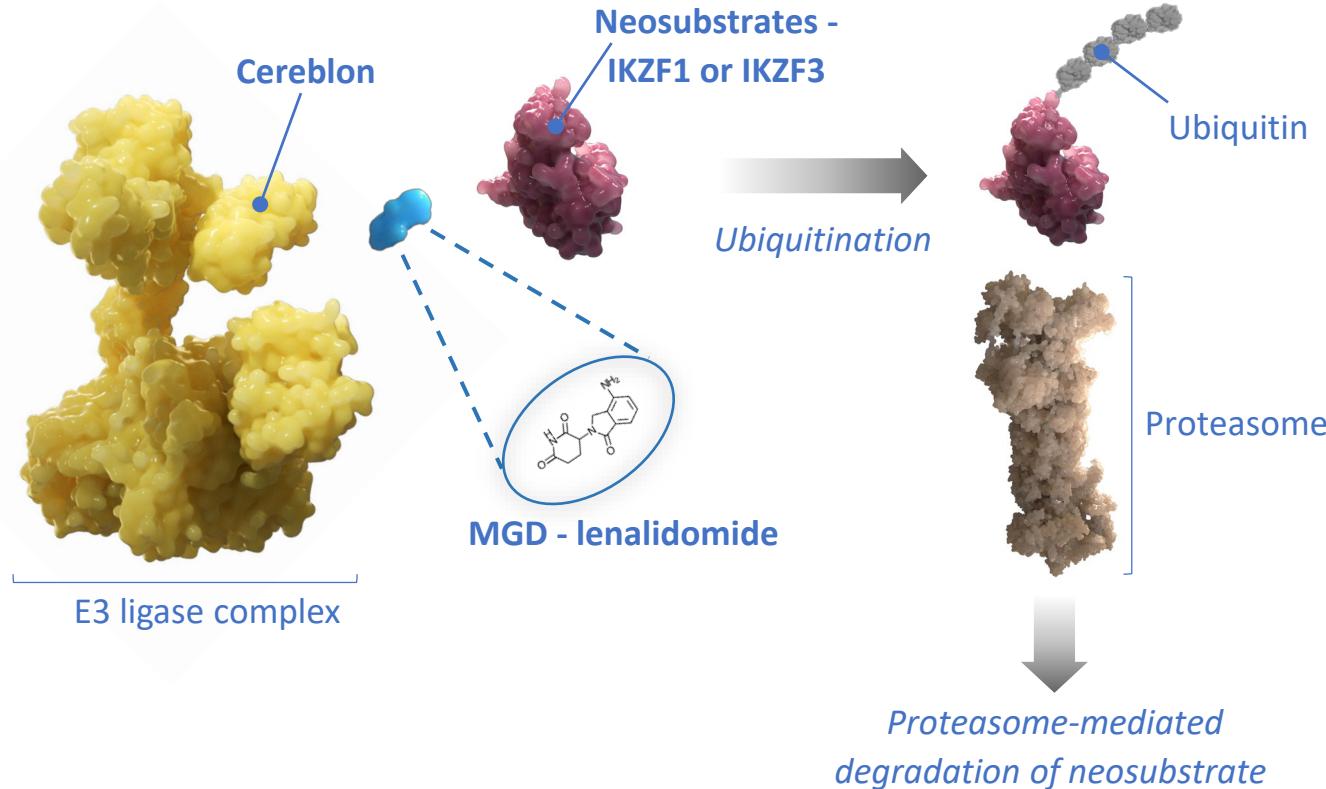
*Taking molecular glue degraders (MGDs) to new heights*

- Next-generation molecular glue-based targeted protein degradation platform developing breakthrough small molecule drugs that selectively degrade therapeutically-relevant proteins
- Targeting the undruggable proteome via AI-based degron prediction & rational design of highly selective MGDs
- DC selection for lead program in 2021 for GSPT1 degrader targeting Myc-driven cancers
- Multiple identified programs targeting high unmet medical needs in oncology and non-oncology indications
- Experienced leadership & SAB with deep drug discovery and development expertise and know-how



# Molecular Glue Degraders

*A powerful and differentiated approach to eradicate disease-causing proteins*



- ✓ Undruggable target space
- ✓ Favorable **drug-like** properties
- ✓ Clinically **validated**
- ✓ Systematic and **selective** reprogramming
- ✓ Broad therapeutic application

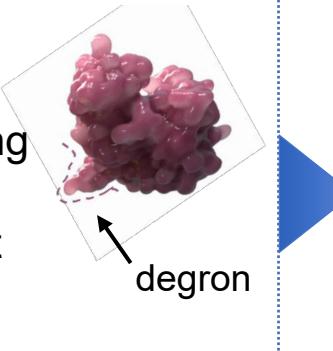
Systematic Chemical Reprogramming of E3 Ligases using MGDs

# QuEEN™ Discovery Platform: Transformational Approach to MGDs

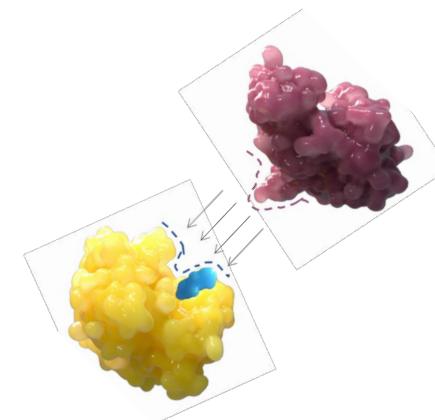
*Building a unique portfolio of precision medicines addressing high unmet medical need*

## Degron Encyclopedia

Degron identification using an AI-powered deep neural net (DNN)



## Glueomics Toolbox



Specialized suite of *in vitro* and *in silico* assays to discover, optimize and advance MGDs as clinical candidates

## Proprietary Library

Rationally designed  
Diverse and growing library  
Drug-like properties

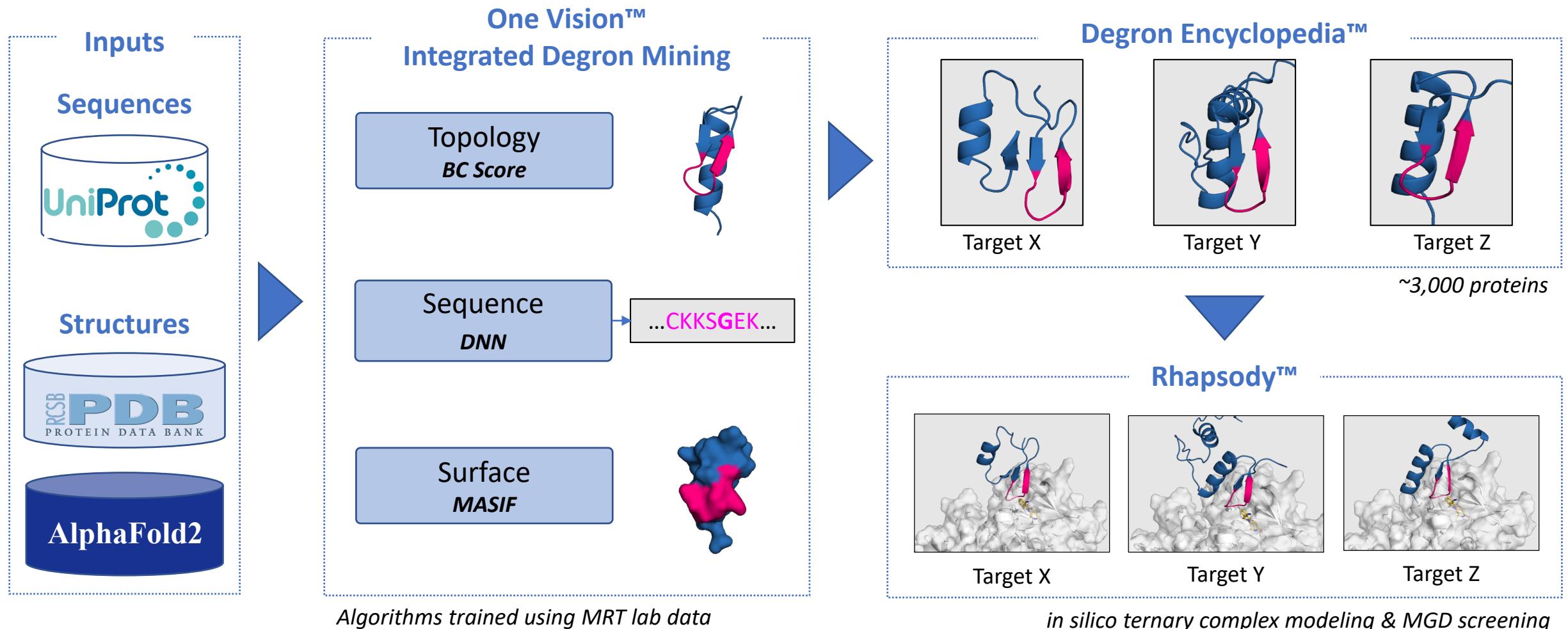


## Proprietary pipeline

- Highly selective MGDs for undruggable and inadequately drugged degron-containing proteins
- Programs with biomarker-based patient selection strategy and clear path to the clinic
- Potential to address a wide range of disease-relevant proteins in oncology and beyond

# One Vision™ Modules Connects Novel Degrons to Degraders

*Modular AI algorithm suite maximizes external databases to discover targets and MGDs*



# New Chemical Space: MGD Anatomy and Evolving MGD Library

*Increasing novelty and structural diversity to match the target space*

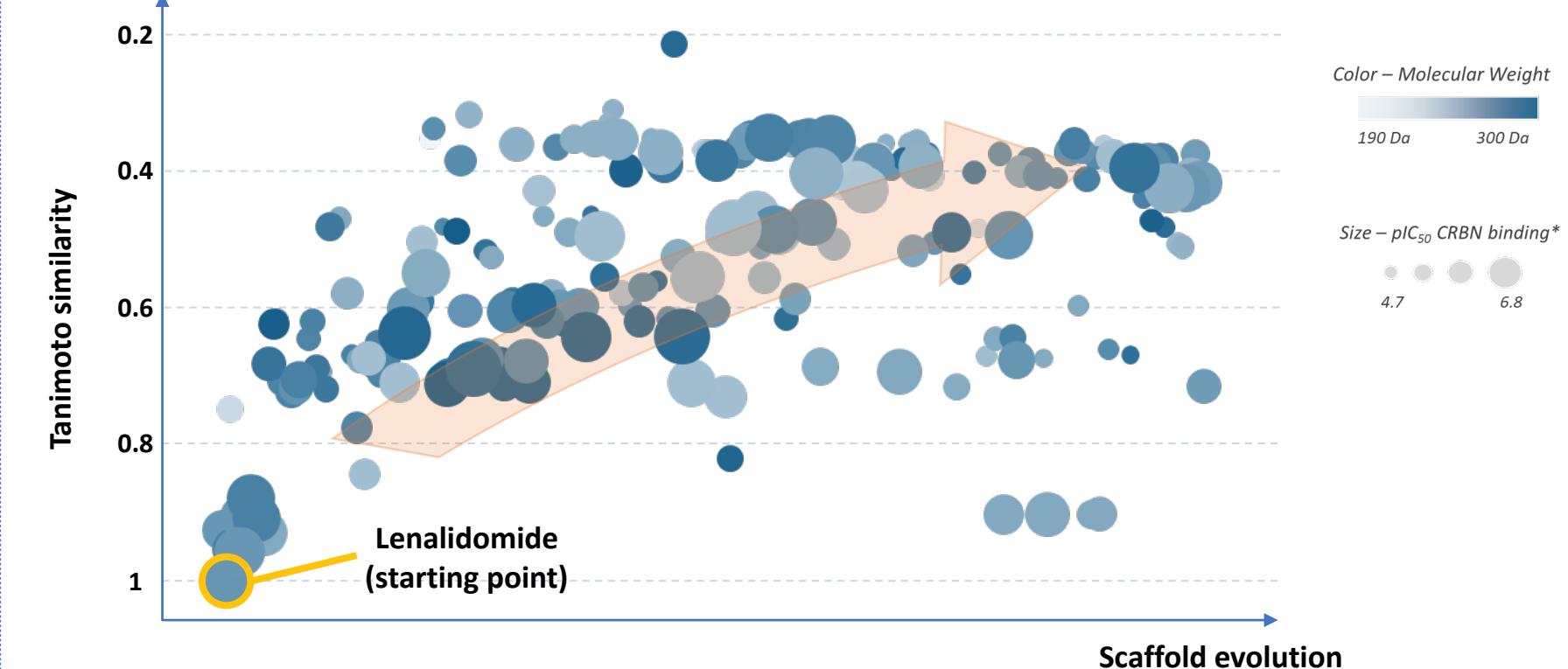
## Understanding MGD Anatomy



**Core**  
Degron domain

**Warhead**  
Cereblon  
binding domain

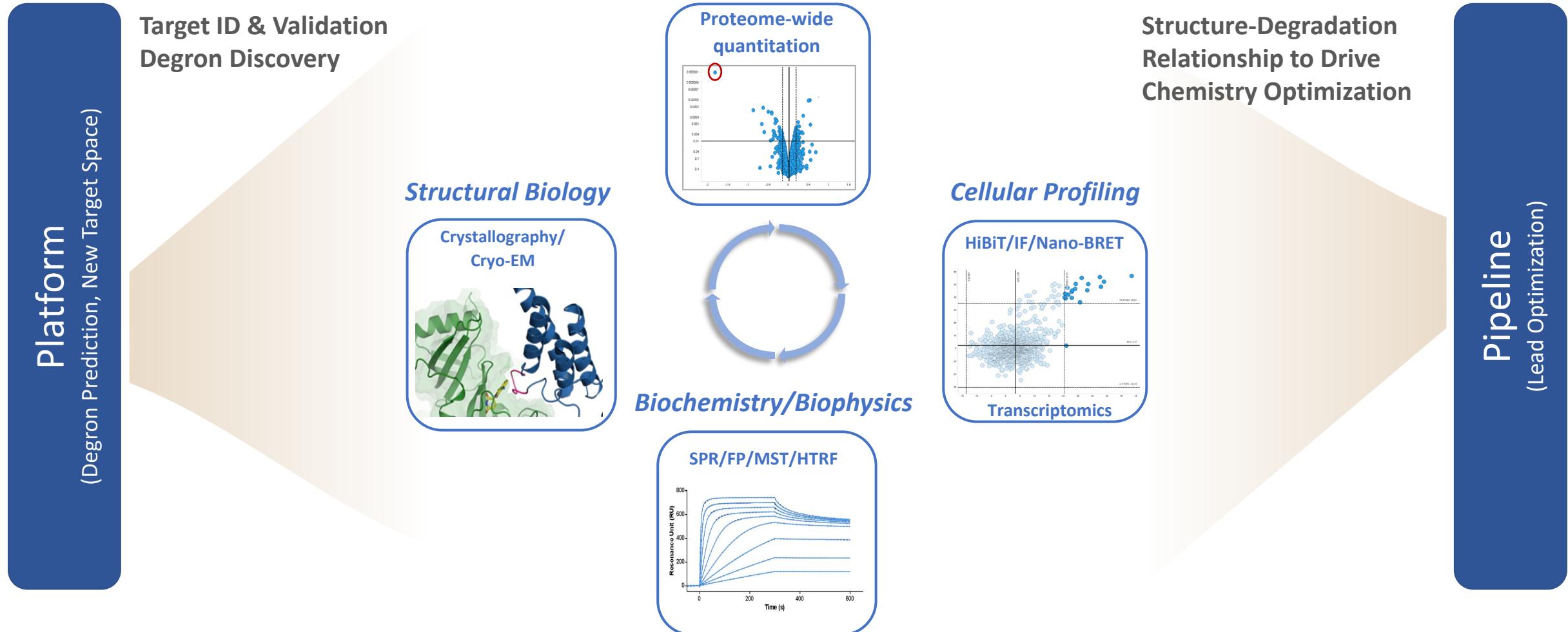
## Increasing the Core-Warhead Chemical Diversity



>200 unique scaffolds validated with increasing diversity, confirmed binding and structural insights

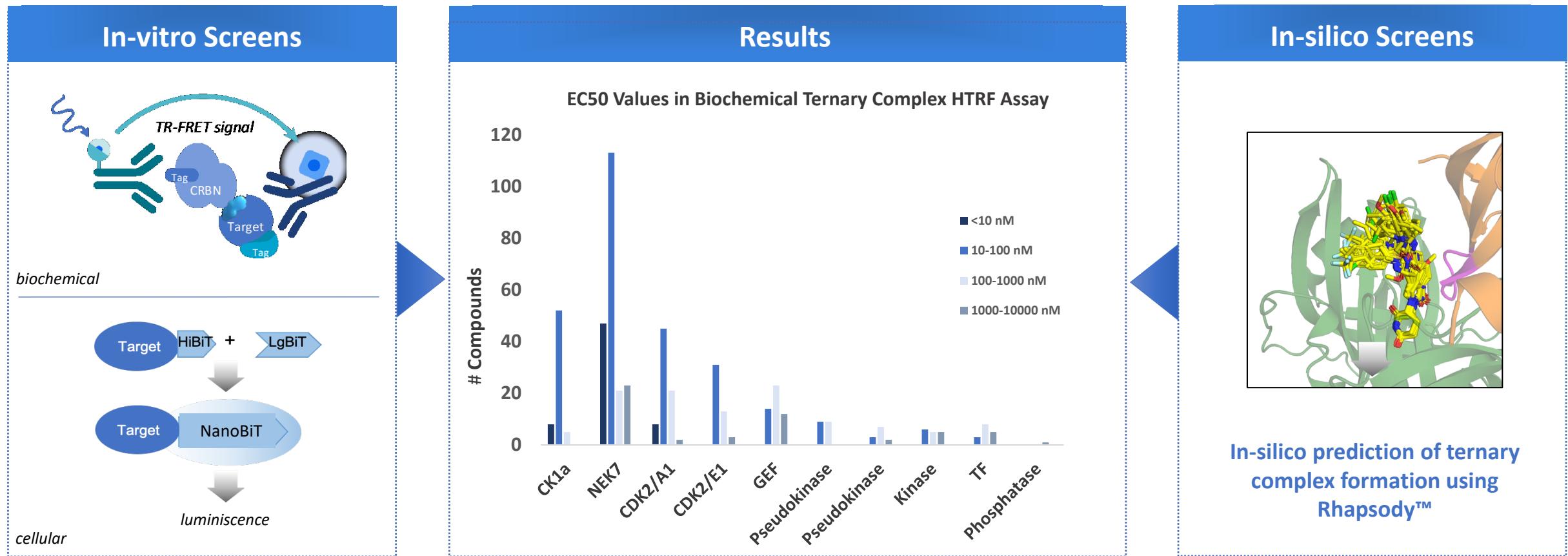
# Glueomics Toolbox - Biomolecular Sciences

## A suite of compound profiling assays to support platform and pipeline



# In-house Capabilities Accelerate Prediction-to-Validation

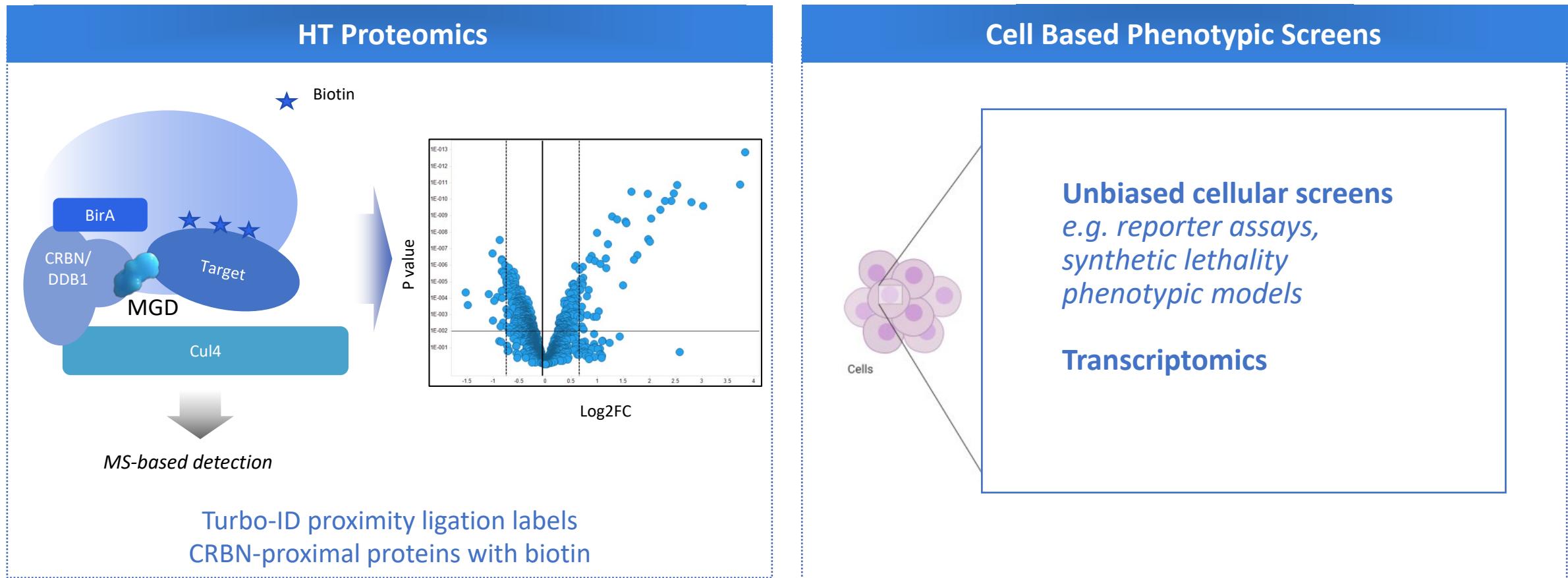
## Matching target space to chemical space



Multiple screening formats enable rapid identification and validation of MGDs for novel G-loop targets

# Chemocentric exploration of MGD space

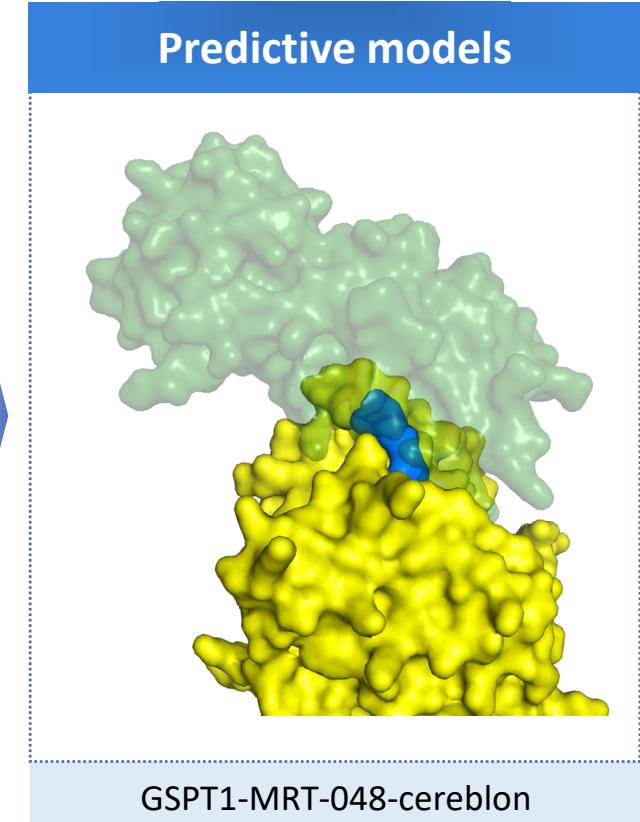
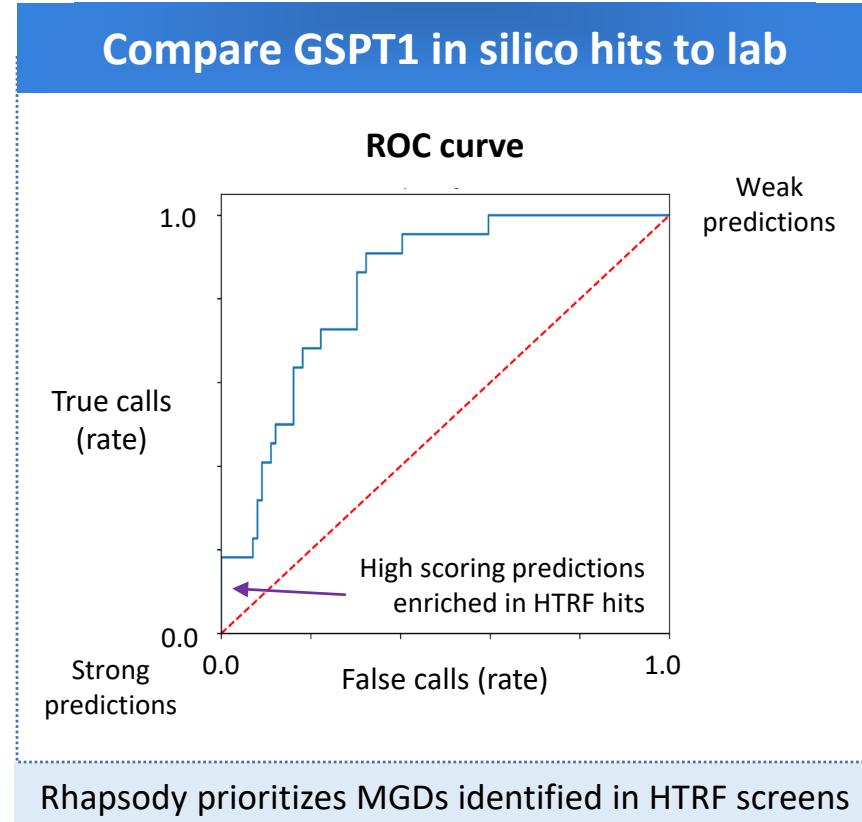
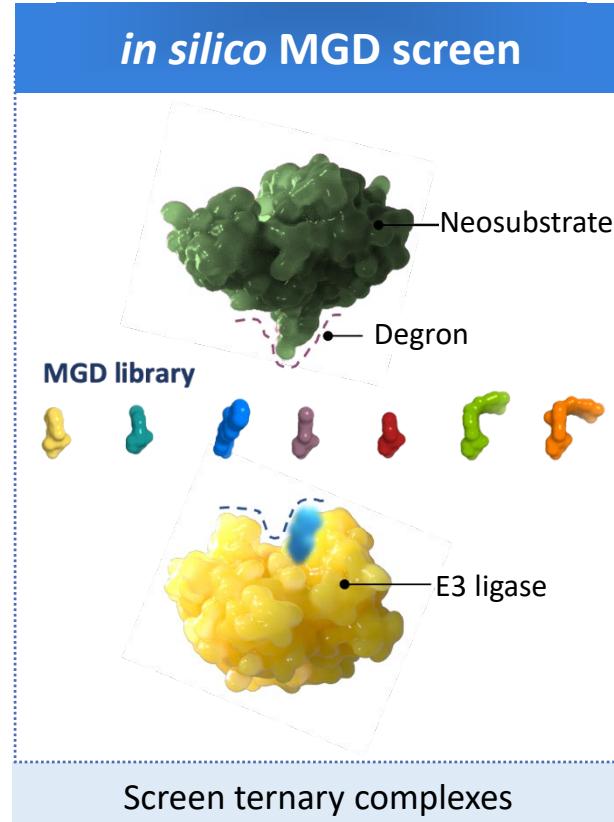
*Exploring target space in a degron agnostic fashion through cellular assays*



Rapid target deconvolution enabled through multiple genetic and chemical tools

# Rhapsody, QuEEN's *in silico* MGD Engine

*in-silico screening identifies hits for evaluation and predictive models*



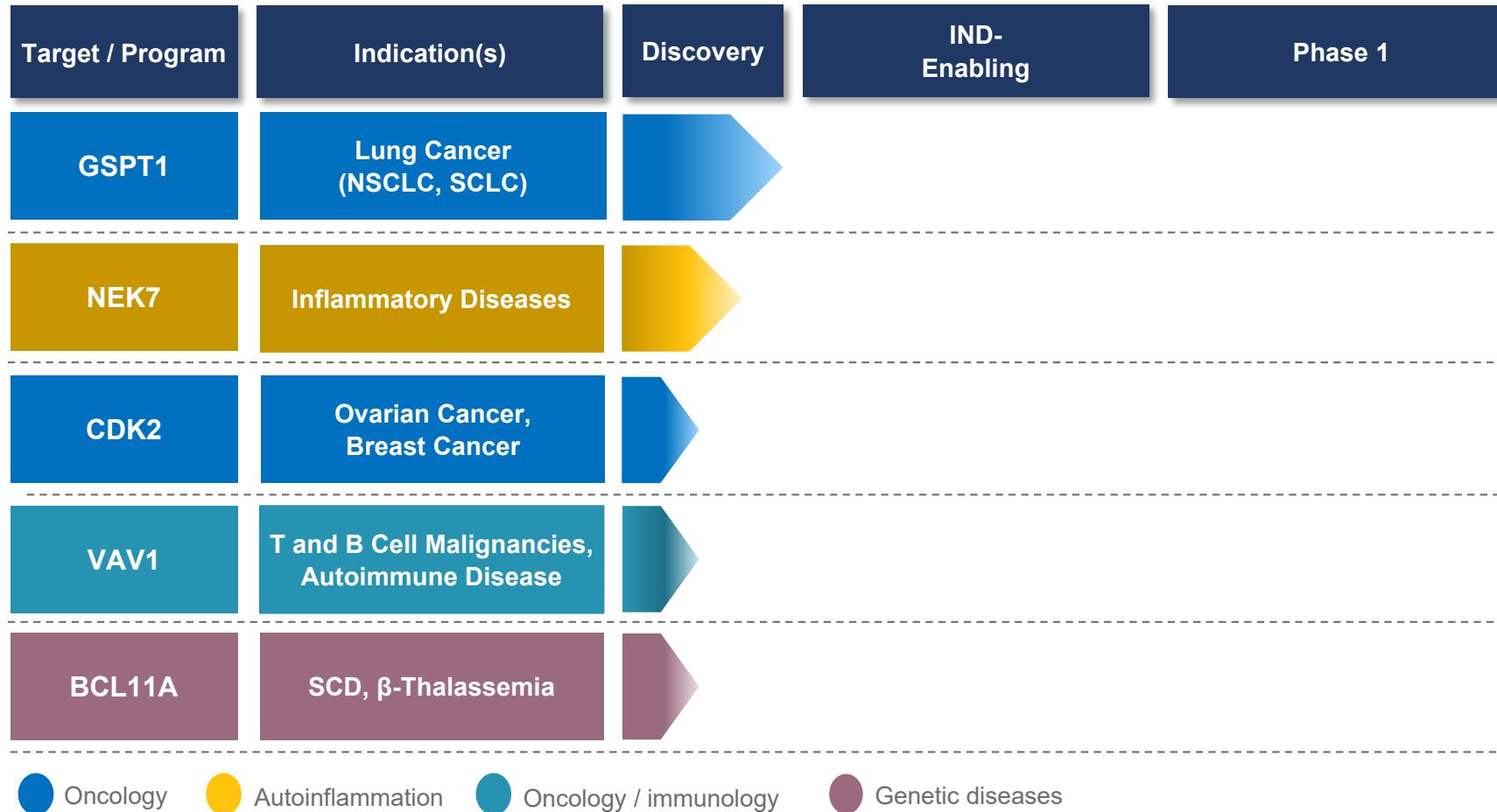


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## *Monte Rosa Pipeline*

# Monte Rosa Pipeline

Rapidly advancing wholly owned MGD programs



+ other undisclosed programs

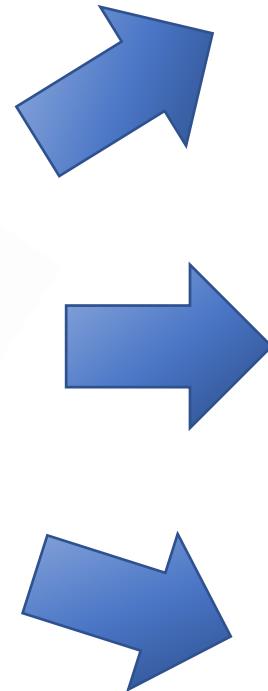
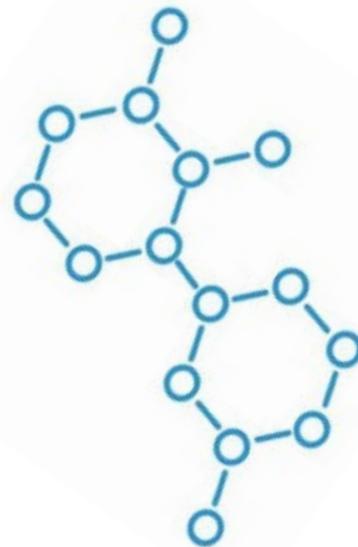
## Vignette

Rationally designing MGDs with highly selective degradation profiles



# Selectivity of MGDs

## *Multiple Approaches to Achieve Desired Selectivity*



Selective screening hits from our MGD Library  
e.g., NEK7 for inflammatory disorders

Medicinal chemistry optimization against known neosubstrates  
e.g., GSPT1 for MYC-driven cancers

Medicinal chemistry optimization against other proteins and family members  
e.g., CDK2 for solid tumors

# NEK7: Hits Identified from MGD Library Screen

*NEK7 is a key component of the NLRP3 inflammasome*

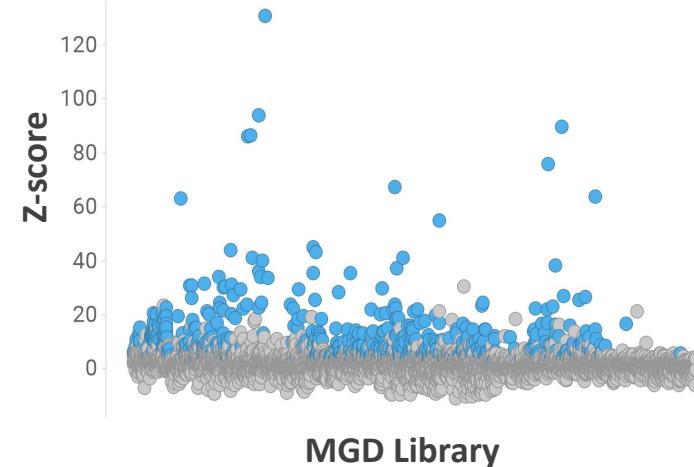
NEK7 contains a highly defined degron



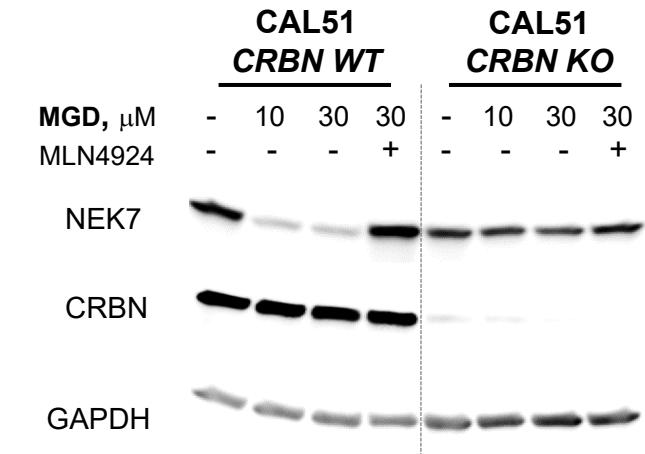
High structural similarity to CK1 $\alpha$

Library screen identifies multiple MGDs to NEK7

Ternary complex formation assay (HTRF)



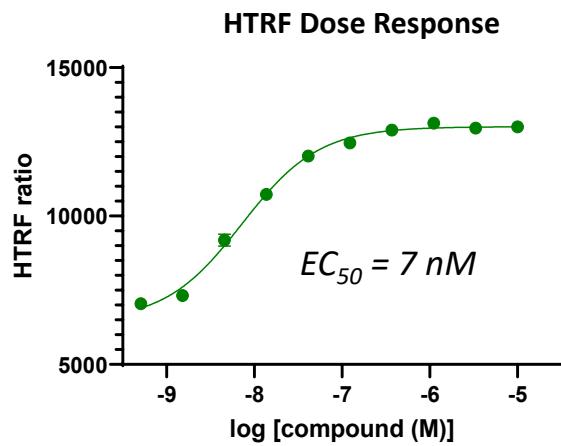
NEK7-directed MGD activity is cereblon-dependent



# NEK7-directed MGDs are Selective for NEK7

*Selectivity confirmed biochemically and by proteomics profiling*

## MGDs are biochemically selective for NEK7

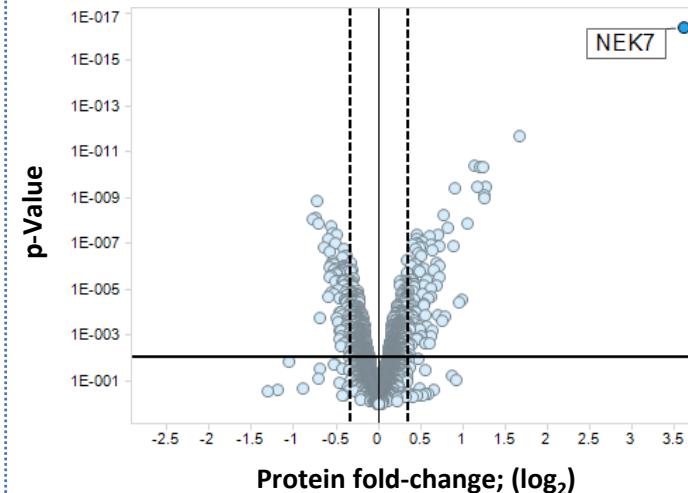


Single-point HTRF screen selectivity

Target	Z-score
NEK7	21.9
CK1 $\alpha$	-0.2
GSPT1	1.1
XXXX	1.4
XXXX	0.3
XXXX	0.7
XXXX	1.0
XXXX	0.9
XXXX	0.0
XXXX	-0.1

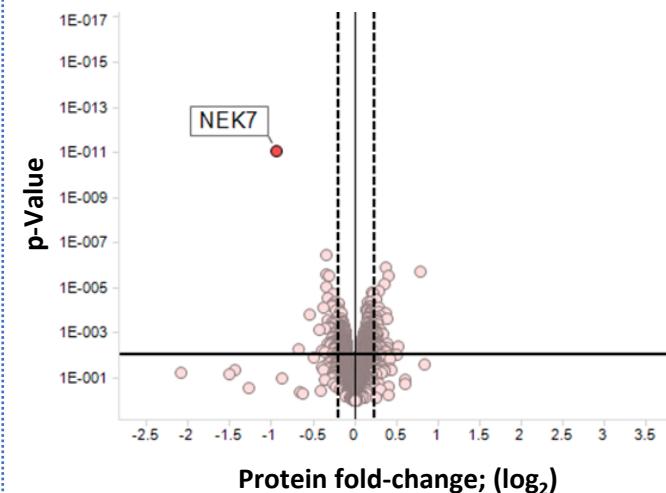
Ternary HTRF assay

## MGDs promotes NEK7-CRBN proximity



Turbo-ID Proximity Assay – 6hr post treatment

## MGDs promotes selective degradation of NEK7

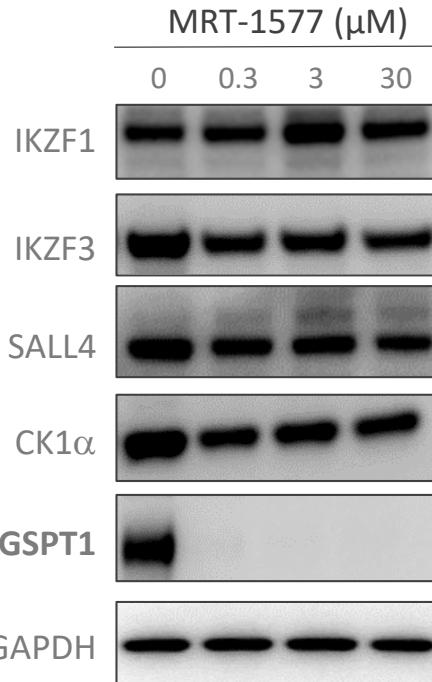


Proteomics – 24hr post treatment

# GSPT1: Optimization of Compounds for Selectivity

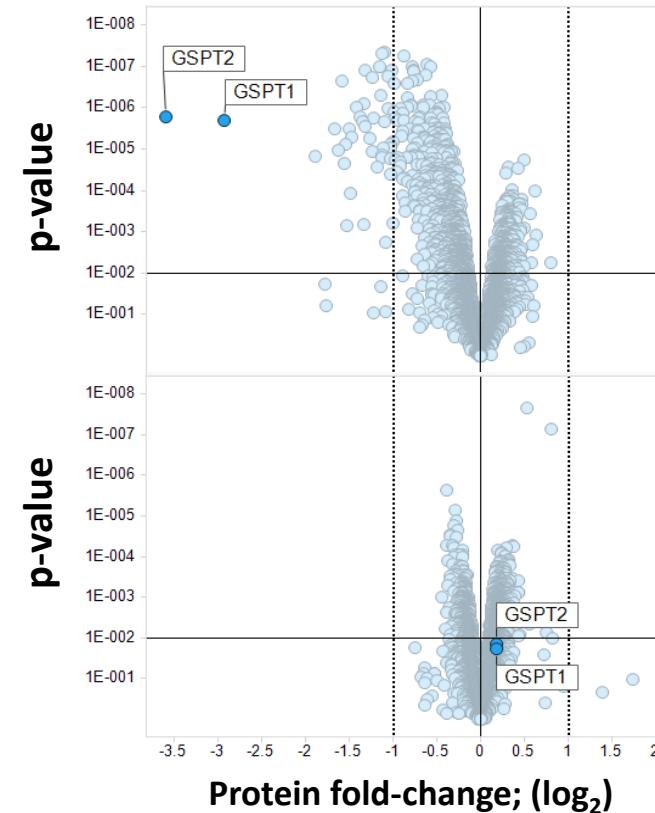
*GSPT1-directed MGD downregulates GSPT1, but not other known cereblon-neosubstrates*

## Selectivity vs known cereblon-neosubstrates



Western blot – 6hr post treatment

## GSPT1-directed MGD is highly selective



GSPT1  
wild-type

GSPT1 G575N

575 N creates a steric clash  
precluding binding of GSPT1 to  
cereblon/MGD complex

Proteomics – 6hr post treatment

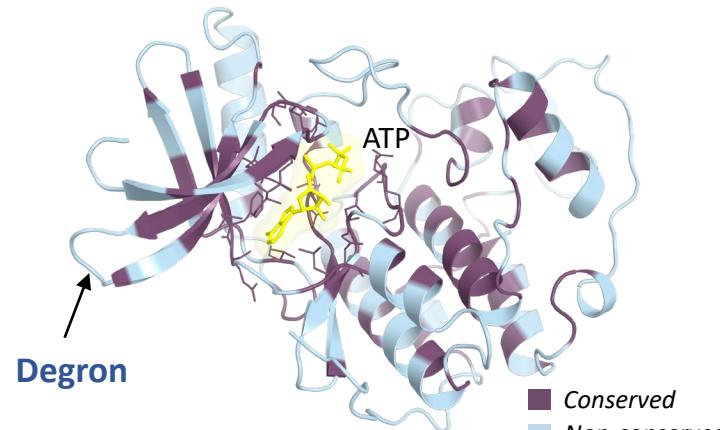


# CDKs Have Highly Similar ATP-binding Sites but Unique Degron Sequence

*CDK2 biochemical hits are selective over CDK1, CDK4 and CDK9*

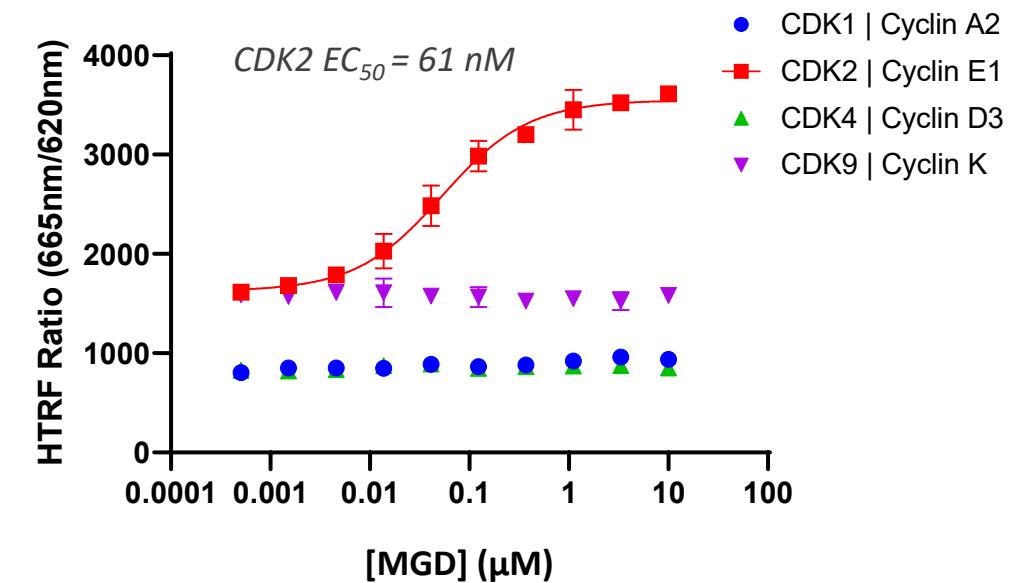
## Degrон sequence is diverse amongst CDK family members

Example: CDK2 and CDK4 structural similarity



- High ATP-binding site conservation
- Degrон sequences have low homology

## MGDs are biochemically selective for CDK2 over other CDK family members

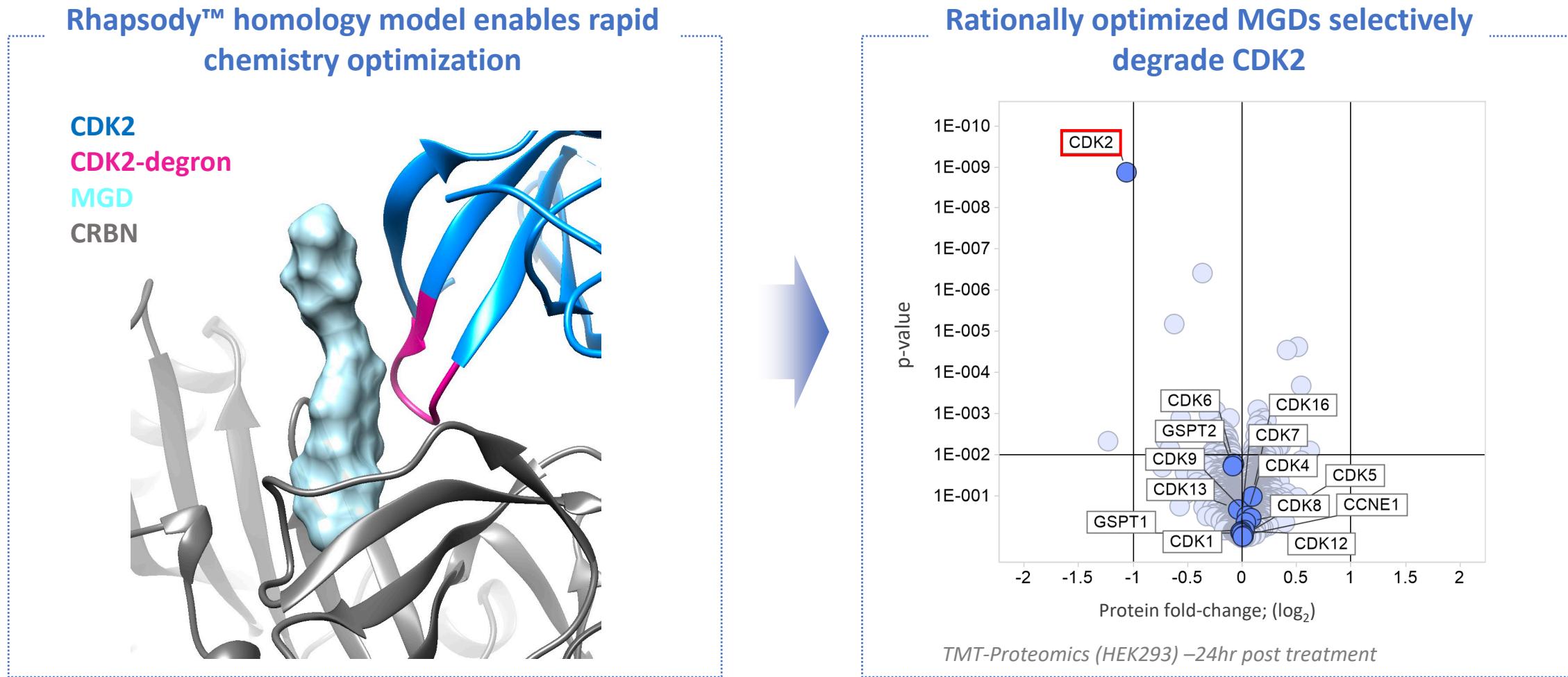


✓ Potential to identify **selective MGDs** to closely related cyclin-dependent kinases



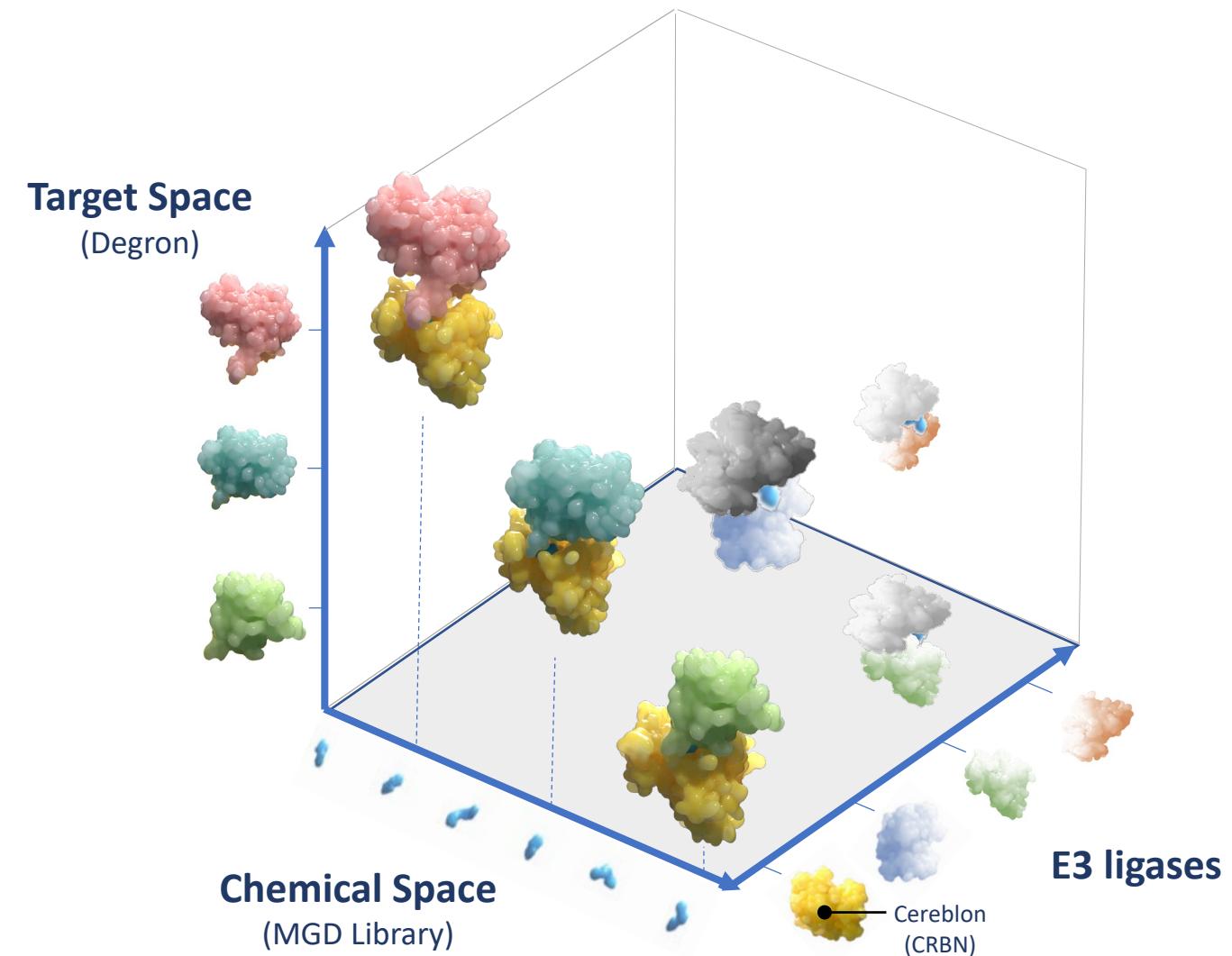
# Rationally Optimized CDK2-Directed MGDs are Selective Degraders

Demonstration of selective CDK2 degradation with MGD treated cells



# Unlocking the Full Potential of Protein Degradation with MGDs

*Quantitative and engineered elimination of proteins across a broad spectrum of diseases*





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Thank You

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