

Tuberculosis Drug Accelerator

Overview of Activities and Portfolio

“who, why, what, how, by when and where are we now”

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What is the Tuberculosis Drug Accelerator?

- The TBDA is a groundbreaking partnership between:

- 8 Pharmaceutical companies



- 5 Major Universities



- 2 Research Institutes



- 1 National Institute



- 1 non profit PDP



- With participation from:

- Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation



- Managed through:

- The CEO roundtable at the New Venture Fund 

TBDA is a quasi-biotech

Somewhat Biotech like

- Discovery, preclinical and early clinical capabilities
- Multiple projects at multiple centers covering different modes of action
- Funding and portfolio management oversight

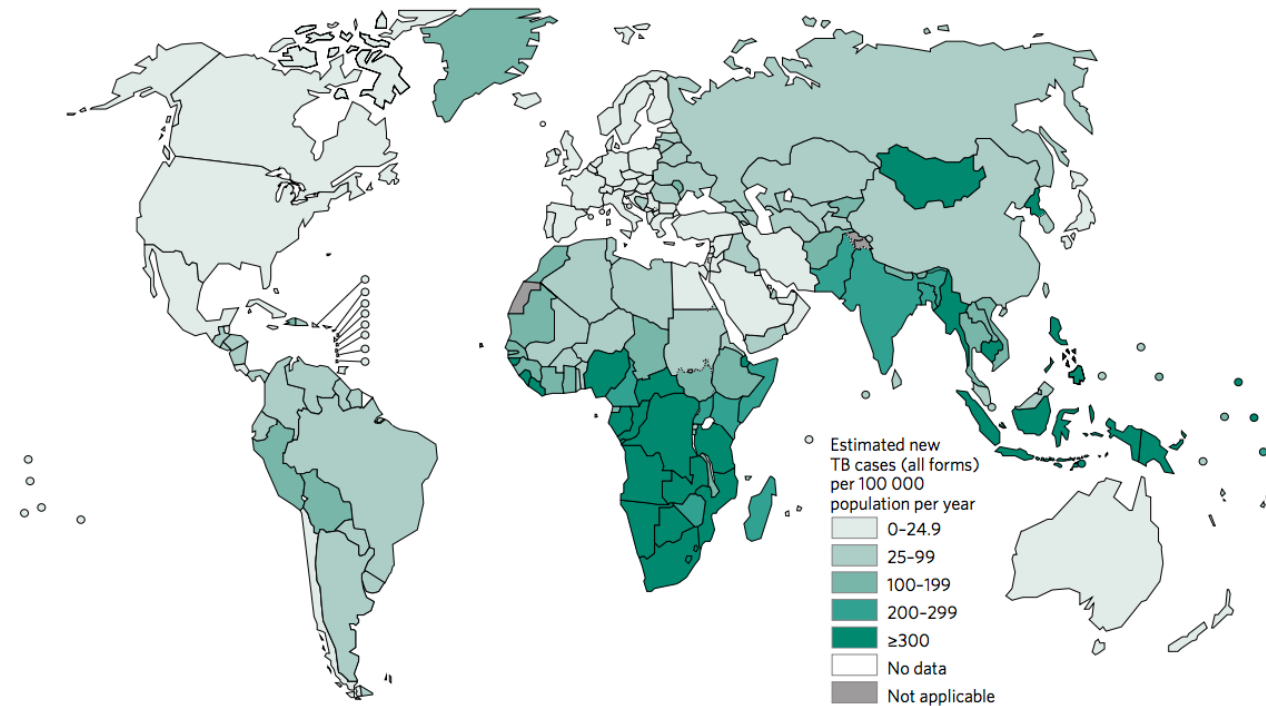
Fairly Unique

- Comprised of normally competitive organizations that share information and resources at an unprecedented level
- Investigating a single disease from many, many angles
- Output has global access requirements

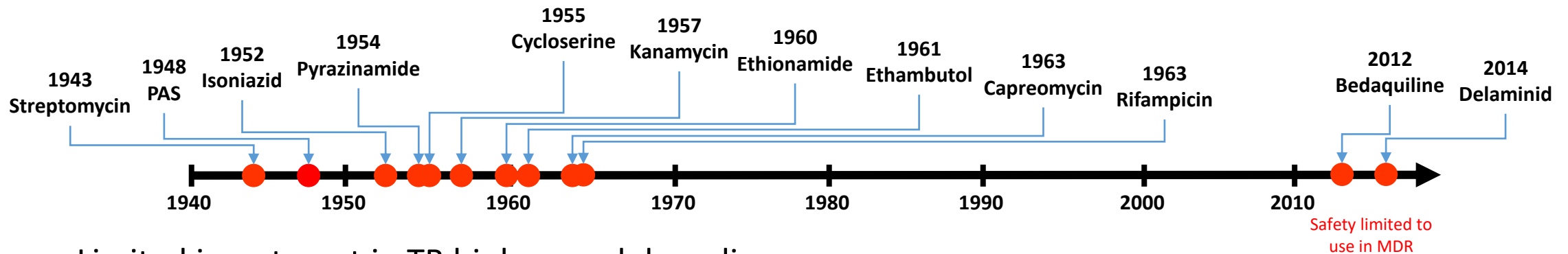
Why have a TBDA?

- TB is one of the world's **leading infectious killers**, disproportionately affecting developing countries:
 - **1.4 million** deaths in 2015
 - **10.4 million** new infections in 2015
 - **480,000** MDR TB cases in 2015
- First-line therapies for TB are **antiquated and inadequate**, taking 6 months to cure patients
- The current six month regimen contributes to **high treatment default rates** that can lead to:
 - increased transmission
 - drug resistance
 - death
- The world needs a **shorter, safer** TB drug regimen

Estimated TB incidence rates, 2015



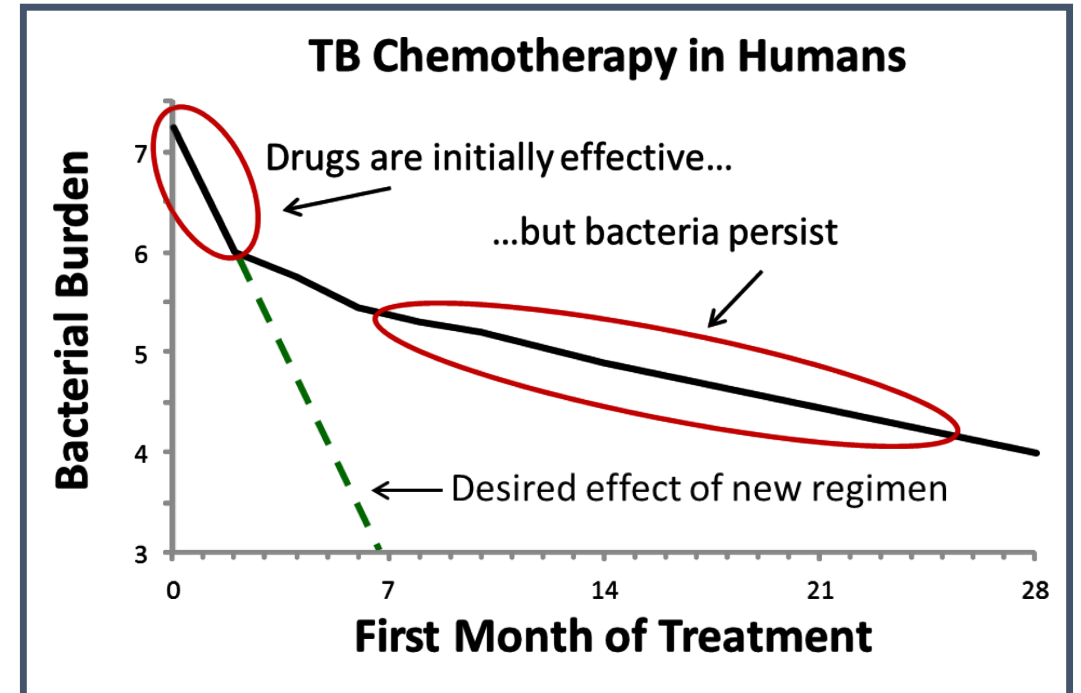
Why have a TBDA?



- Limited investment in TB biology and drug discovery
- Lack of understanding of how to improve therapy
- Few well validated targets
- Poor assays to screen for drugs
- No new first line drugs in 50 years (safety of recent entries limit use)
- Resistance to only true sterilizing and treatment shortening agent
- Limited Candidates

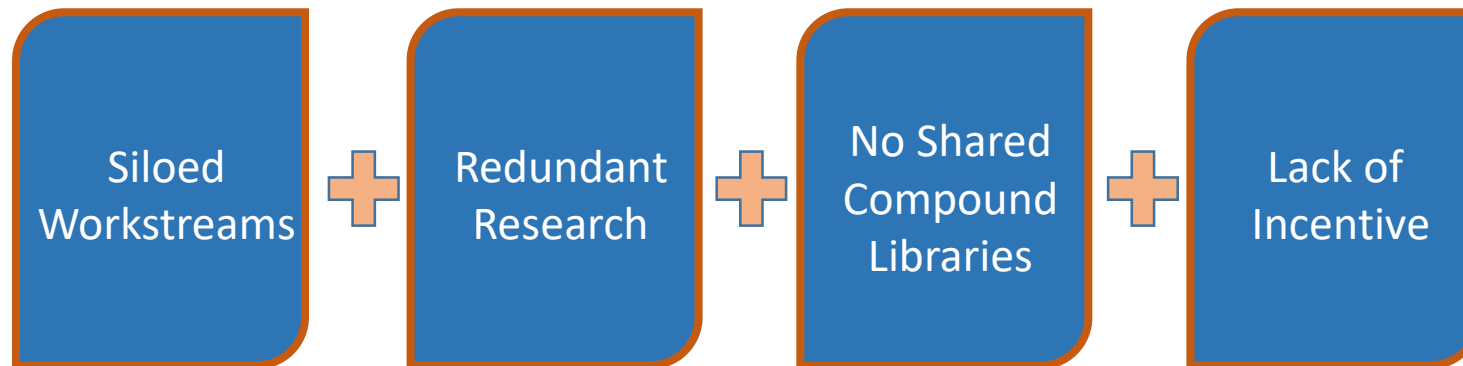
What should we focus on?

- Current TB regimens drive down bacterial levels quickly, but require months of treatment to rid the body of all TB
- The only way to overcome this persistence is through a shorter more effective regimen
- **GOAL**-To generate multiple, mechanistically distinct TB candidates sufficient to advance a drug regimen to a **one month clinical POC by 2024**
- Need to create a balanced portfolio
 - Novel mechanisms
 - Sequestered sites (granulomas, cavities)
 - Tolerant sub-populations
 - Safety
 - Resistance



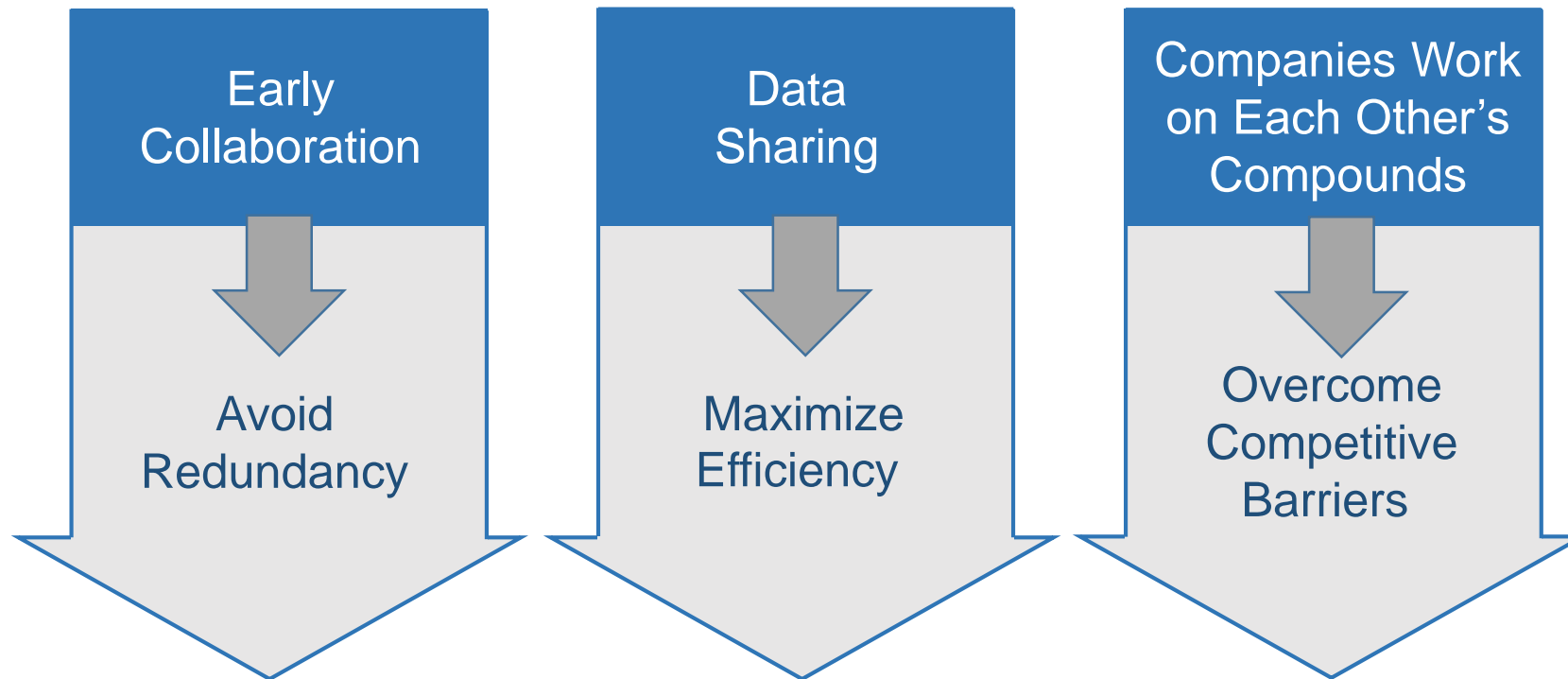
How will this be accomplished?

- The current research paradigm is ineffective
- No New first-line TB drug regimens in 50 years



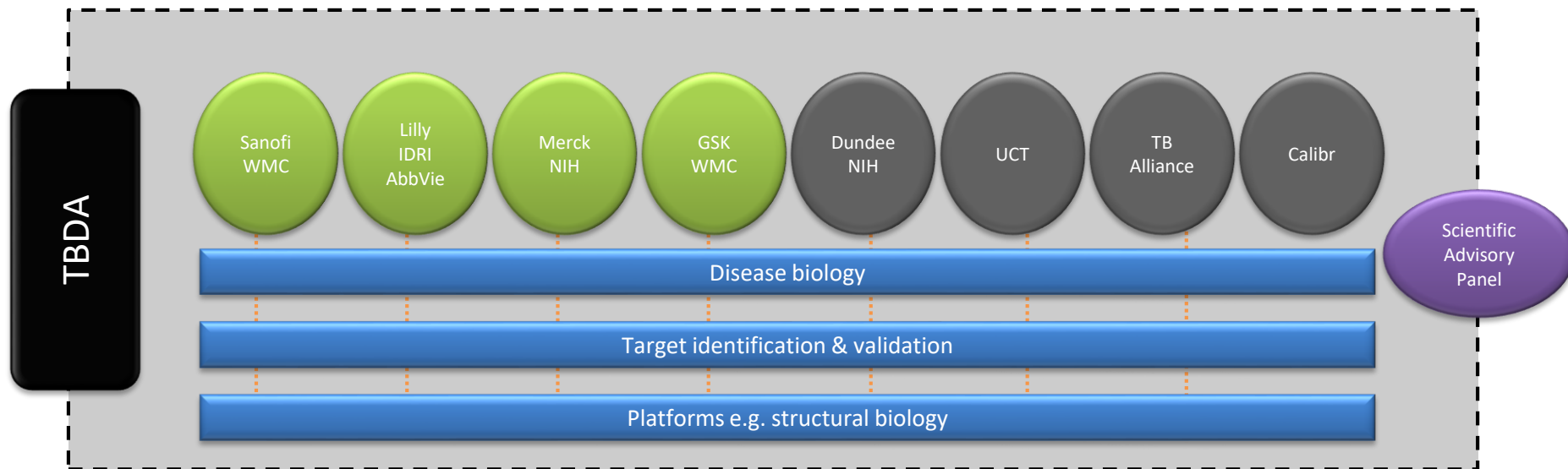
How will this be accomplished?

- By a new approach that addresses bottlenecks in historic TB drugs development
- In this way only the best candidates advance

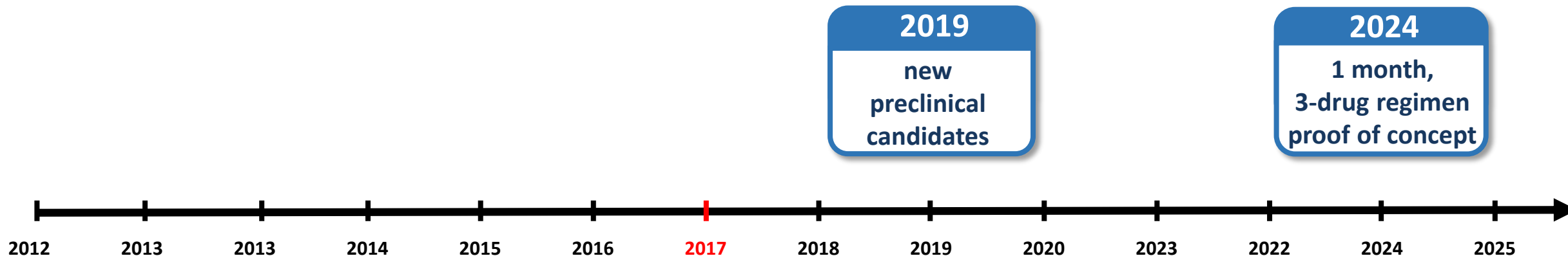


TBDA organization

- 17 current members
- 8 subteams



TBDA Discovery/Preclinical Development



TBDA Discovery/Preclinical Capabilities



- Libraries
 - Pharma partners (Sanofi, Merck, Bayer, AbbVie, Lilly, AstraZeneca, GSK, Pfizer)
 - Other (MMV, BioFocus)
- Target
 - ID & validation (Weill Cornell, Texas A&M)
 - Crystallography (Texas A&M)
 - Screening (IDRI, Texas A&M)
- Whole cell
 - Replicating, multiple C source (Weill Cornell, IDRI, NIH)
 - Non-replicating (Weill Cornell)
 - Low pH (Weill Cornell, IDRI, NIH)

TBDA Discovery/Preclinical Capabilities



- Medicinal Chemistry (GSK, Merck, Sanofi, Lilly, AbbVie, UCT, Dundee, CROs)
- Animal Models
 - Acute/Chronic BalbC (GSK, Sanofi, CSU)
 - Kramnik (CSU)
 - Marmoset (NIH)
- PK, Tox
 - Caseium penetration (Rutgers)
 - Metabolomics (Weill Cornell)
 - ADME, PK (Pharma, CROs)
 - In vitro/in vivo Tox (Pharma, CROs)

TBDA Discovery/Preclinical Capabilities



- **Lead(s) selected**
 - Efficacy in advanced and/or combination models (Pharma, CSU, NIH, non-TBDA collaborators)
 - In vitro tox (CROs)
 - Non-GLP tox studies (CROs)
- **Preclinical Candidate Selection (TB Alliance, Gates Foundation, Pharma)**
- **Preclinical Candidate Profiling**
 - IND enabling studies (Pharma, CROs)
 - CMC (Pharma, CROs)
- **Clinical**
 - Study design (TB Alliance, Pharma)
 - Combination study design (TB Alliance)
 - IND Preparation (TB Alliance, Pharma)

TBDA Discovery/Preclinical Portfolio



■ Screens

- Whole cell phenotypic screening against corporate collections complete
- Conditional screening (carbon source, pH, low O₂) continues
- Special library screening continues
- Biochemical (target-based) screening continues

■ Hits

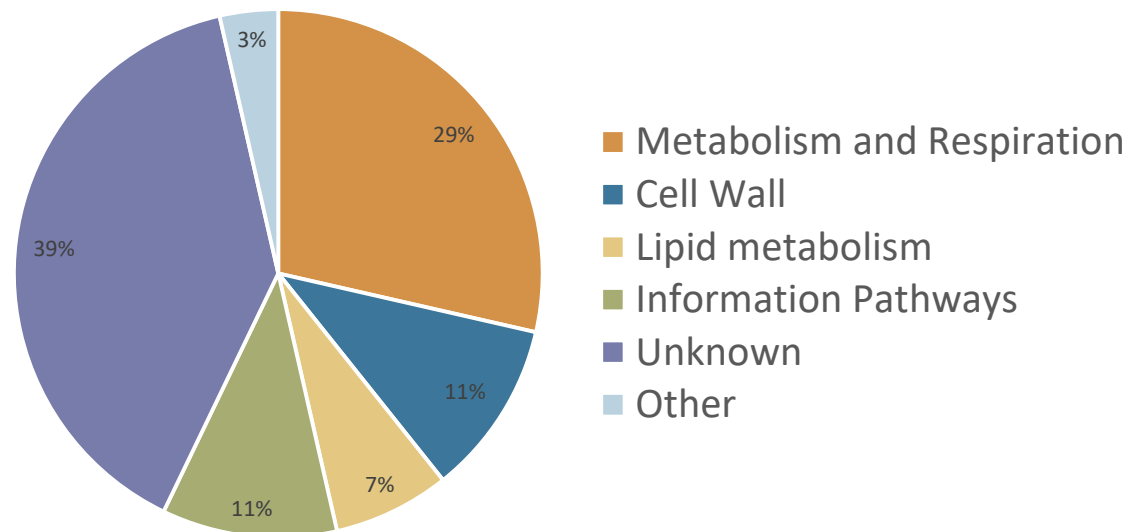
- >200 compound series identified to date
- ~10 currently under triage
- ~20 currently under hit assessment

TBDA Discovery/Preclinical Portfolio



■ Lead Identification

- ~30 projects in hit to lead stage
- ~60% with known targets
 - MmpL3
 - QcrB
 - RNA polymerase

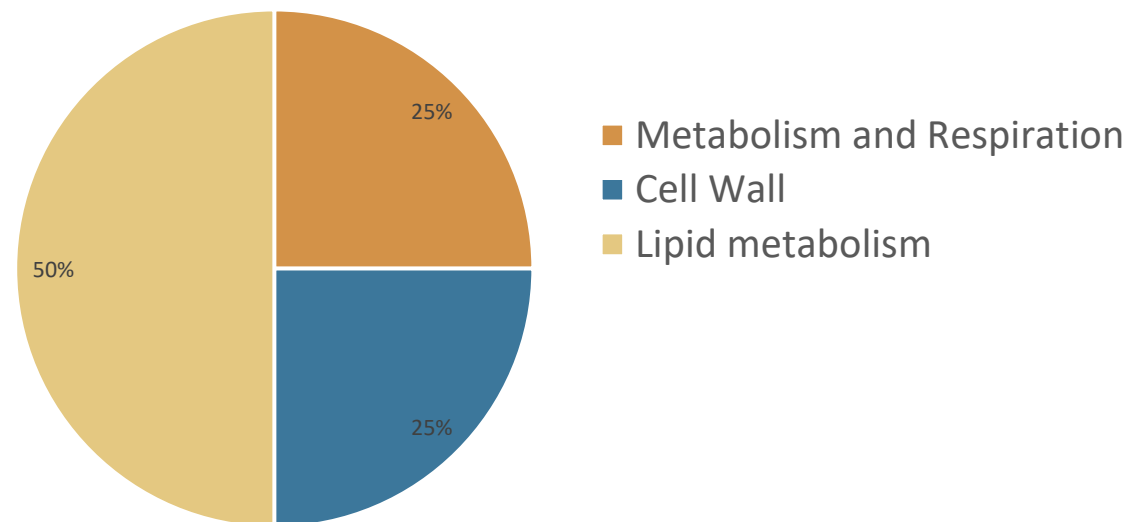


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■ Lead Optimization

- ~10 projects in Lead Optimization
- Almost all with known targets
 - DprE1
 - MmpL3
 - InhA



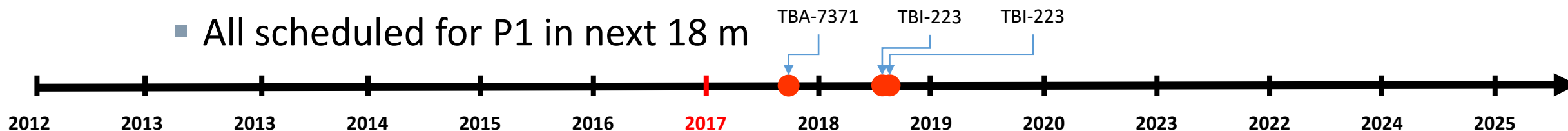
TBDA Discovery/Preclinical Portfolio



■ Preclinical Development

- 3 projects from the TB Alliance have identified candidates
 - DprE1 inhibitor TBA-7371
 - Oxazolidinone TBI-223
 - Diarylquinoline TBAJ-587

- All scheduled for P1 in next 18 m



How can the TBDA and CPTR better connect?

- Align meetings
 - Back to back if possible (TBDA meets semi-annually, 1 US based, 1 rest of world)
 - Assure no overlap- encourage co-participation when possible
- Provide clinical data on “front runners” to instruct preclinical back-up projects
- Provide clinical data to help refine, and make more predictive, TB animal models

In Conclusion

- The TBDA is a novel collaboration of 17 research organizations with the goal of discovering multiple mechanistically distinct TB candidates sufficient to advance a drug regiment to a 1 month POC by 2024
- Excellent progress has been made to date, with 3 preclinical candidates identified
- Partnerships such as the TBDA show how industry and others can work together in new ways to support global health innovation
- The TBDA model is being applied to other disease areas that lack incentives for research or require combination drug therapies
- Opportunities exist to use clinical data to inform preclinical projects