



# Enhancing drug delivery

## DEP® dendrimer platform

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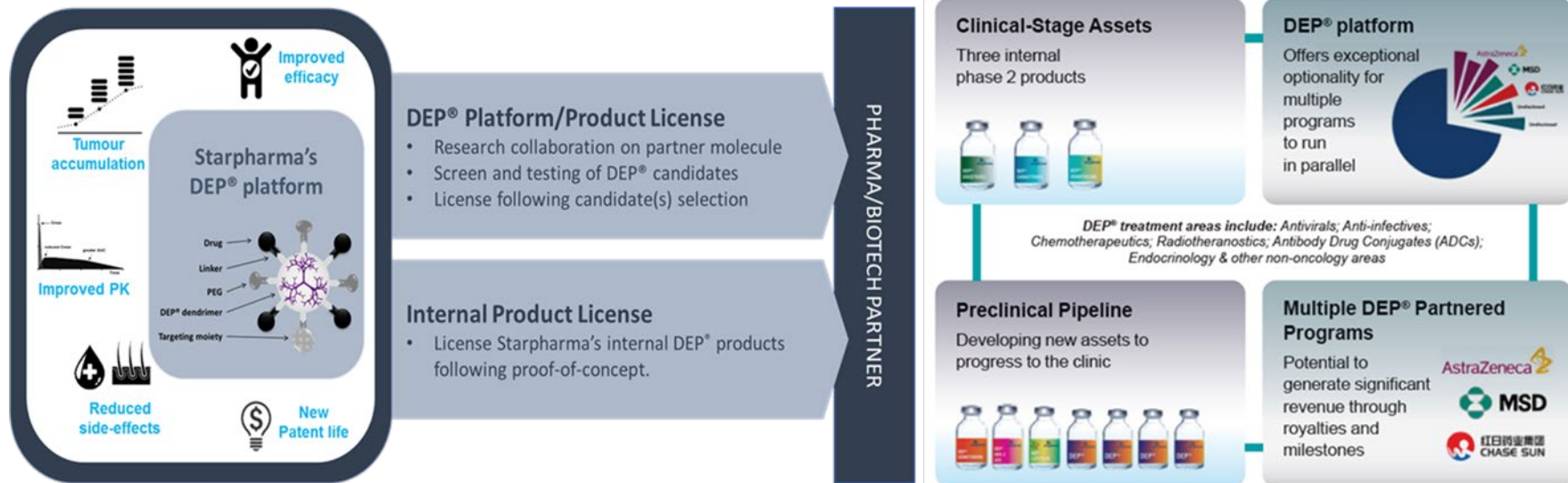
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# Starpharma's DEP<sup>®</sup> strategy :

*“To leverage our proprietary dendrimer platform to build high value products and partnerships that address significant unmet need”*

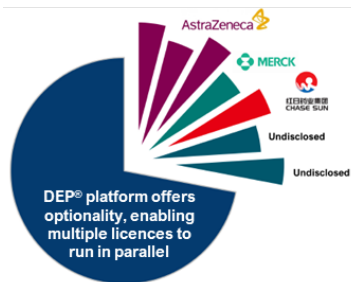


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# DEP® partnering creates significant value and optionality

*Starpharma's DEP® platform enhances the commercial and therapeutic value of a wide range of drugs, creating multiple potential revenue streams and significant IP leverage*

DEP® platform allows for multiple partnerships



Starpharma has several disclosed/undisclosed partnered DEP® programs, including with large pharma companies: AstraZeneca, Merck and Chase Sun

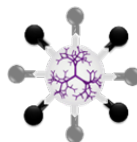
## AstraZeneca's novel DEP® nanoparticle AZD0466



- Dual Bcl2/xL inhibitor with DEP® significantly improving its therapeutic index
- Phase 1 trial significantly expanded and advanced in 2021, to a multi-region, global Phase 1/2 clinical trial
- The new phase 1/2 trial design is aimed at seamless transition to phase 2, to facilitate marketing approval.
- Data was also recently published showing the potent anti-cancer effects of AZD0466 in a malignant mesothelioma model.
- AZD0466 is the first candidate in Starpharma's multiproduct licence with AZ;
- Total AZD0466 deal up to US\$124M + royalties



*AstraZeneca describes AZD0466 as having the potential to be a "best-in-class" agent with a broad application in both solid and haematological tumours*



AZD0466 featured at AACR 2020 Meeting:  
[https://starpharma.com/drug\\_delivery/dep-posters](https://starpharma.com/drug_delivery/dep-posters)



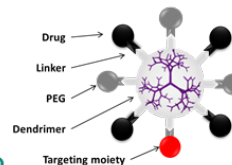
Starpharma has signed a DEP® research agreement with MSD for dendrimer-based ADCs using DEP® technology

### Recent ADC deals demonstrate strong interest

- AstraZeneca & Daiichi Sankyo, **US\$6.9 billion**, July 2020.
- Gilead & Immunomedics, **US\$21 billion**, Sep 2020.
- Seattle Genetics & Merck, **\$6.8 billion**, Sep 2020.
- Merck & VelosBio, **\$2.75B**, Nov 2020.
- Boehringer Ingelheim, **€1.2B (\$1.5B)**, Dec 2020.
- BMS & Eisai, **US\$3.1B**, June 2021.

*"MSD is a recognised leader in oncology, and we are delighted to have signed this new Research Agreement in such an innovative and valuable area"*

Dr Jackie Fairley, CEO  
Starpharma

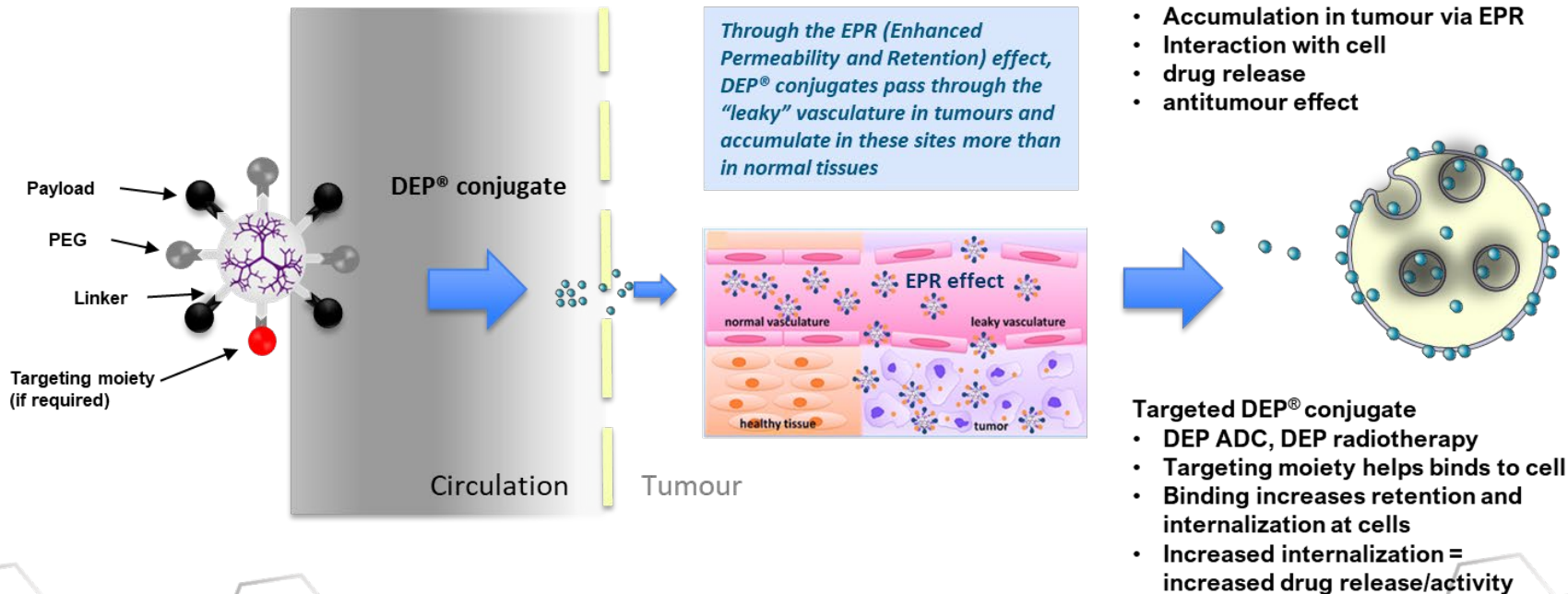


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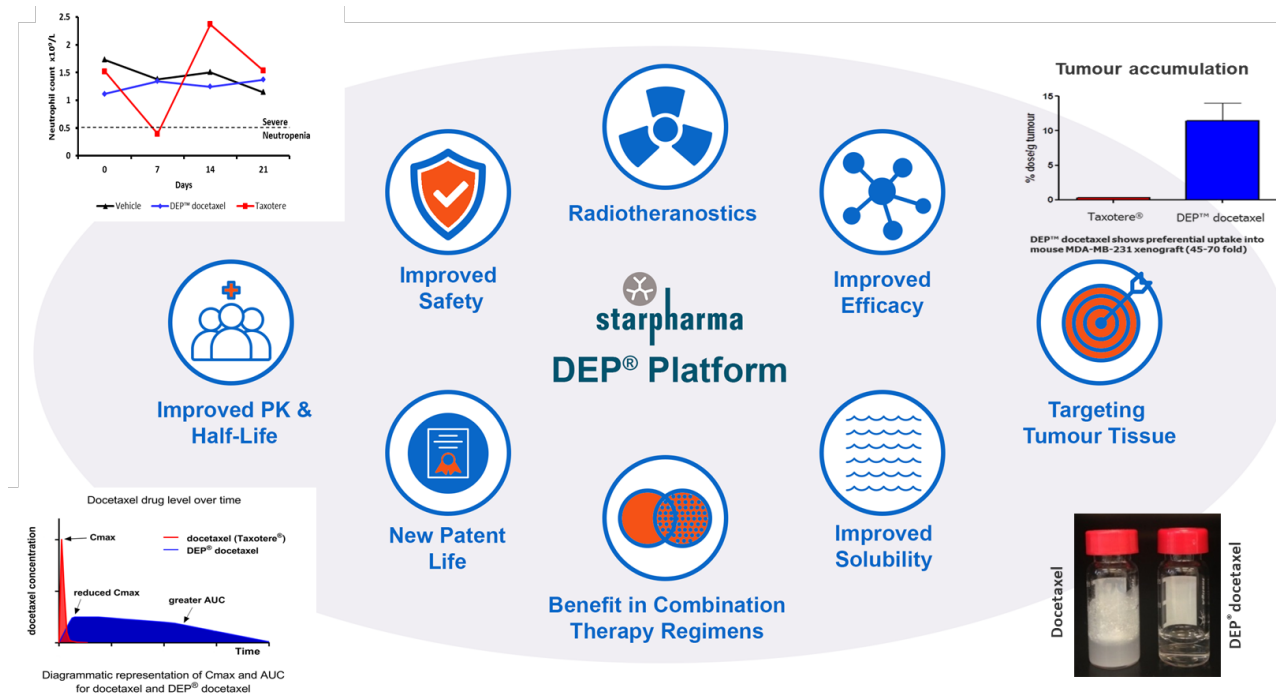
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# DEP<sup>®</sup> platform - preferential tumour accumulation → enhanced benefits





# Starpharma's DEP<sup>®</sup> drug delivery platform enhances the therapeutic and commercial value of drugs

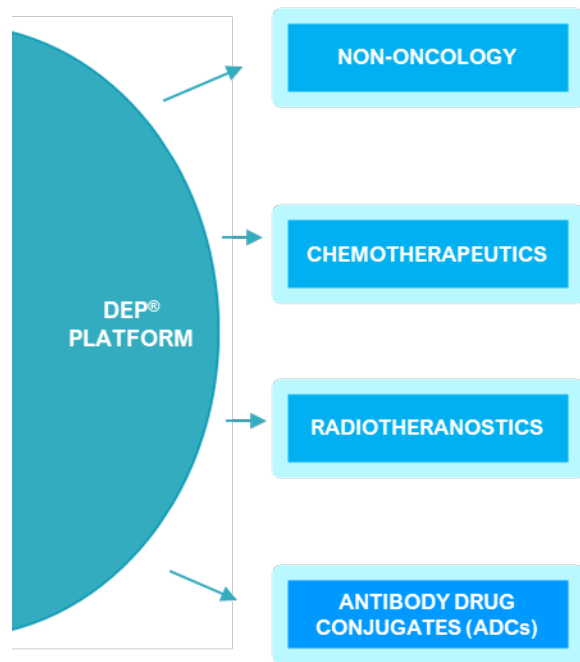


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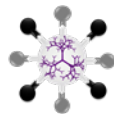


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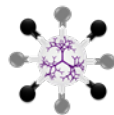
# DEP® is a technology platform with multiple commercial opportunities in oncology and beyond



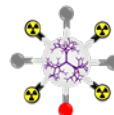
- Antiviral eg. DEP® remdesivir
- Anti-infective
- Endocrinology



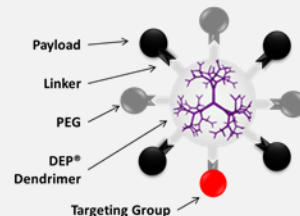
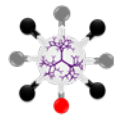
- Franchise extension
- Generic differentiation
- New Chemical Entities
- Combinations including immuno-oncology



- Radiotheranostic applications
- Can use variety of radioisotopes



- Flexible technology
- Increased drug antibody ratio
- Targeting group agnostic
- Site selective payload attachment



## Improved efficacy



DEP® improves anti-cancer efficacy through better drug targeting & improved pharmacokinetics.

## Reduced side-effects



DEP® reduces important side effects such as bone marrow toxicity / low white blood cells (neutropenia) and alopecia (hair loss). Also removes need for steroid pre-treatment.

## Patent life



In addition to the therapeutic and clinical benefits, DEP® also provides valuable commercial benefits by creating new intellectual property and extending patent life.

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# DEP® internal oncology programs

## Multiple clinical-stage assets with high commercial value potential

### COMMERCIAL OBJECTIVE



Create value through clinical proof-of-concept in one or more cancer types – alone and/or in combination



License following proof-of-concept clinical data; platform validation



Utilise accelerated development / regulatory pathways (i.e. 505b2) for optimal ROI

#### PHASE 2



**DEP® DOCETAXEL:**  
Enhanced version of docetaxel (Taxotere®) – widely used for breast, lung & prostate cancer

Phase 2 trial ongoing, 50 patients recruited

- **Encouraging efficacy signals** observed, including prolonged stable disease and significant tumour shrinkage in patients with pancreatic, oesophageal, cholangiocarcinoma, and gastric cancer.
- **Notable lack of bone marrow toxicity** (e.g., neutropenia) and other common side effects inc. hair-loss, mouth ulcers, anaphylaxis and oedema

#### PHASE 2



**DEP® CABAZITAXEL:**  
Enhanced version of leading prostate cancer drug cabazitaxel (Jevtana®)

Phase 2, ongoing, 42 patients recruited

- **Encouraging efficacy signals** have been observed, including radiological responses, stable disease, significant target tumour shrinkage and substantial tumour marker reductions (e.g., PSA), in cancers including prostate, ovarian, lung, gastro-oesophageal, head and neck and other cancers.
- Significantly less toxicity than is usually associated with Jevtana®

#### PHASE 2



**DEP® IRINOTECAN:**  
Improved version of irinotecan (Camptosar®) - predominantly used for colorectal cancer

Phase 2, ongoing, 54 patients recruited

- **Encouraging efficacy signals** observed include prolonged stable disease, impressive tumour shrinkage and reductions in tumour marker levels for a number of tumour types, including breast, colorectal, ovarian, pancreatic, lung and oesophageal cancer
- **No severe high-grade diarrhoea seen with DEP® irinotecan** which is experienced by 20-40% of patients with conventional irinotecan & often requires hospitalisation



Starpharma's deep preclinical pipeline includes DEP® chemotherapeutic candidates including:

- DEP® gemcitabine
- DEP® radiotherapeutic candidates
- DEP® antibody drug conjugate (ADC) candidates
- Further therapeutic candidates

#Clinical studies have demonstrated reduction in important side effects with DEP® including bone marrow toxicity, anaphylaxis, oedema and hair-loss

\* Multiple preclinical studies have established improved efficacy, survival and safety with DEP® with many different drugs

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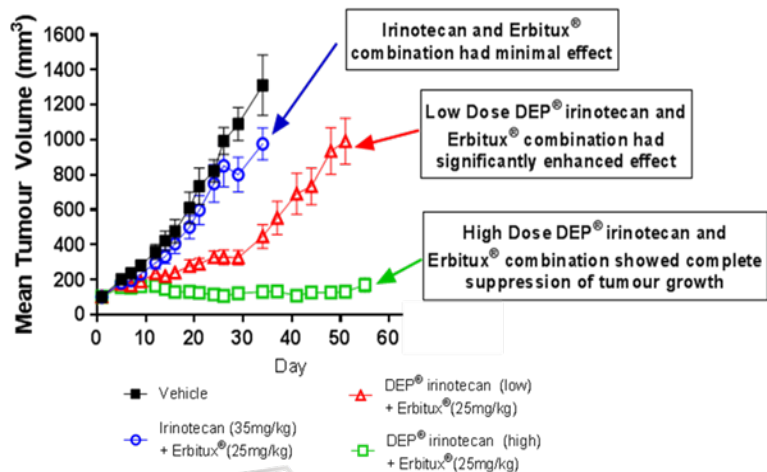


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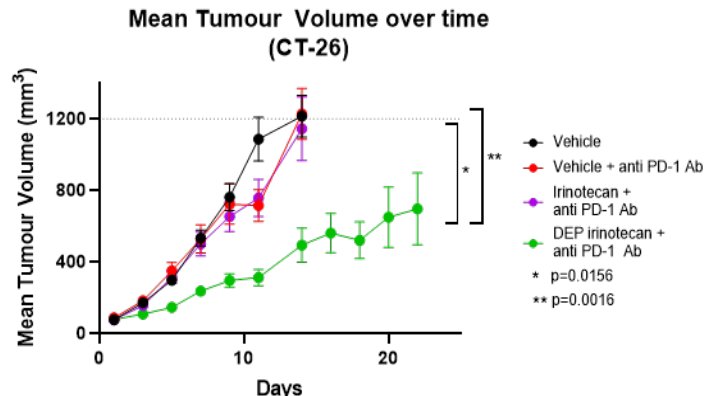


# DEP<sup>®</sup> drugs are also ideal candidates for combination therapy- conventional, targeted and Immuno-Oncology approaches

- DEP<sup>®</sup> irinotecan in combination with Erbitux<sup>®</sup> demonstrated significantly enhanced anti-cancer efficacy, and survival with **complete suppression of tumour growth and 100% survival** in HT-29 colon cancer model



- DEP<sup>®</sup> irinotecan + anti PD-1 Ab in combination
- showed significant enhancement of anti PD-1 antibody (anti PD-1 Ab) activity by DEP<sup>®</sup> irinotecan in both CT-26 and MC-38 colon cancer models



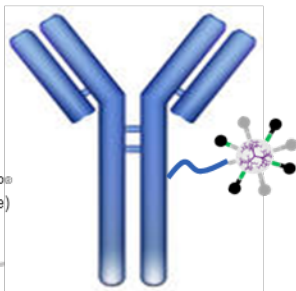
These results indicate that DEP<sup>®</sup> irinotecan in combination with an anti PD-1 antibody could boost the efficacy over anti PD-1 antibody alone, or immuno-oncology (IO) combinations with standard chemotherapeutic agents.

# Targeted DEP<sup>®</sup> conjugates provide additional flexibility

Starpharma's Ab Targeted DEP<sup>®</sup> conjugates provide many benefits over existing ADCs and can overcome many issues faced today by existing ADC approaches, including:

- Greater **homogeneity**
- **Site specific** attachment of drug conjugate
- **High affinity**
- The delivery of **significantly higher payload** levels than conventional ADCs
- Versatility in payload type
- Overcome issues of payload **solubility** and aggregation

Diagrammatic representation of an Antibody targeted DEP<sup>®</sup> conjugate (not to scale)



## Targeting

- Flexibility in use of targeting molecule
  - Ab; Ab fragment; Non-Ab ligand; Small molecule

## DEP<sup>®</sup> drug conjugate

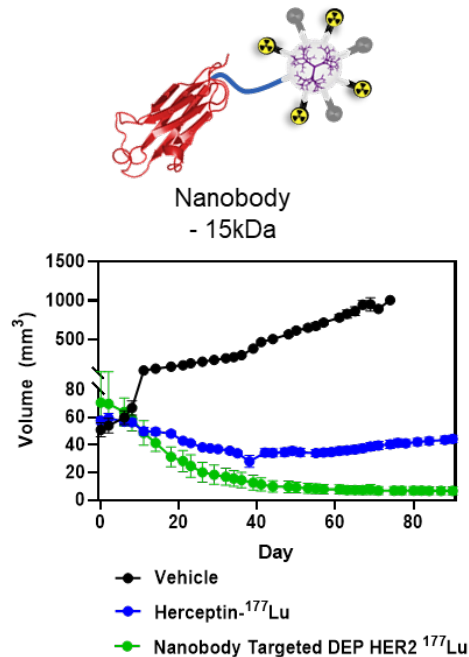
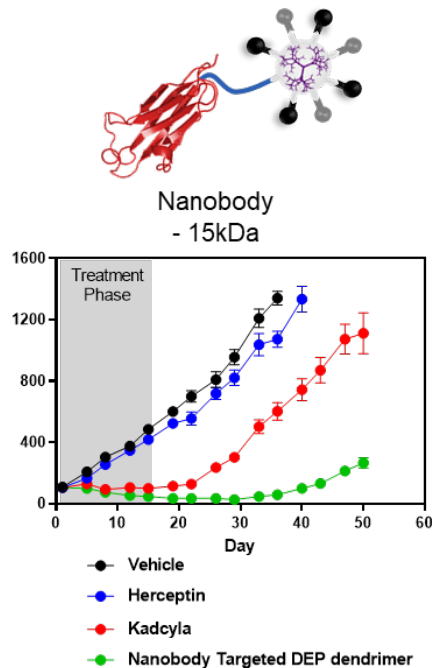
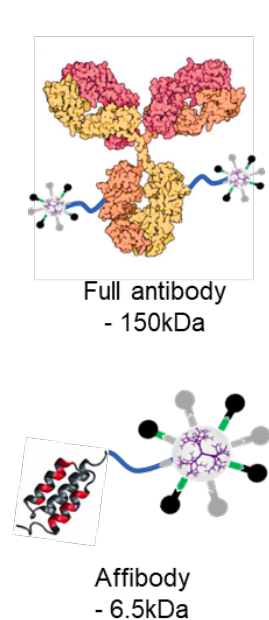
- Precisely manufactured poly-lysine dendrimer with attached drug/payload
- Dendrimer size easily scalable to deliver desired payload number (8, 16, 32...) per dendrimer conjugate
- Can deliver any type of payload – cytotoxic, ultratoxic, radioisotope
- Potential applications beyond cancer
- Drug-linker strategy easily tailored to meet drug release requirements
- Increase solubility and handling of payload

## Site specific attachment

- Precise and reproducible
- Ability to attach multiple dendrimers of differing size (high DAR)
- Ability to achieve significantly higher DAR than other approaches

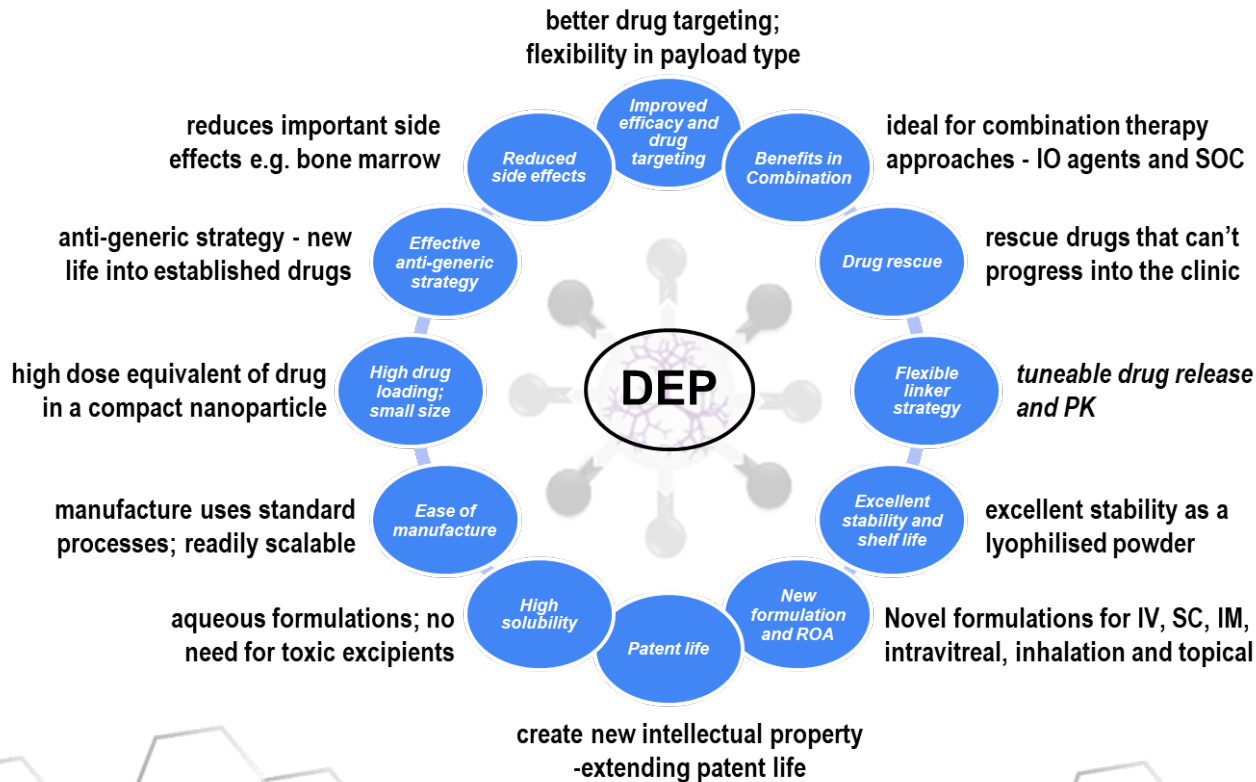
# DEP<sup>®</sup> ADC / Radiotheranostic platform

*Flexibility in targeting approach – Flexibility in payload - Enhanced performance*



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# DEP<sup>®</sup> platform – significant optionality, therapeutic and commercial benefits



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