

Blood And Skin Biomarkers From A First-in-human Study Of RPT193 - An Oral CCR4 Antagonist For The Treatment Of Atopic Dermatitis

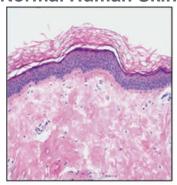
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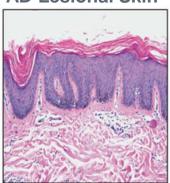
### **RPT193: Oral CCR4 Antagonist for Inflammatory Diseases**

- RPT193 is a highly potent and selective once-daily oral CCR4 antagonist that targets inflammation more specifically than JAK inhibitors and acts upstream of many injectables
- Phase 1b trial demonstrated clear benefit in patients with moderate-to-severe AD, with favorable safety and tolerability
- No laboratory safety monitoring or black box warning expected
- Next steps: Phase 2b trial in AD and a Phase 2a trial in asthma

**Normal Human Skin** 



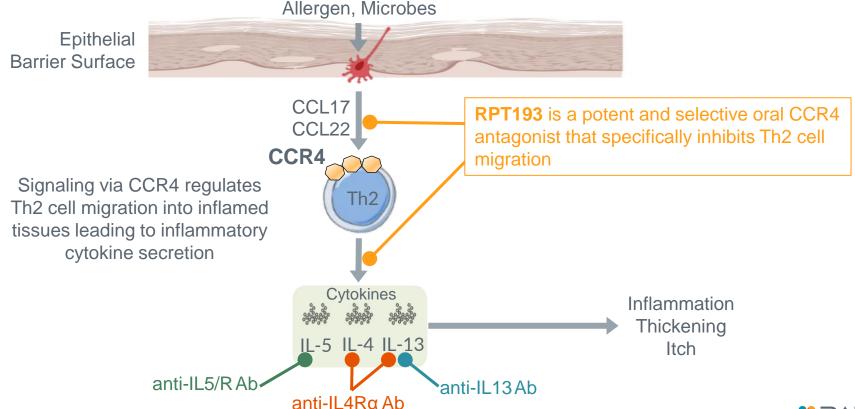
**AD Lesional Skin** 





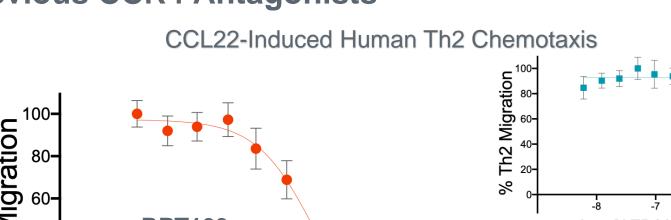


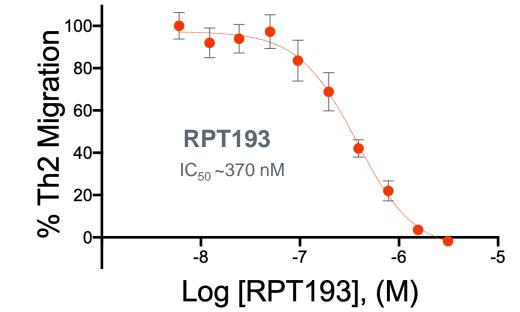
## RPT193 Targets Th2 Cells: Key Drivers of Inflammation in Atopic Dermatitis, Asthma, and Other Diseases

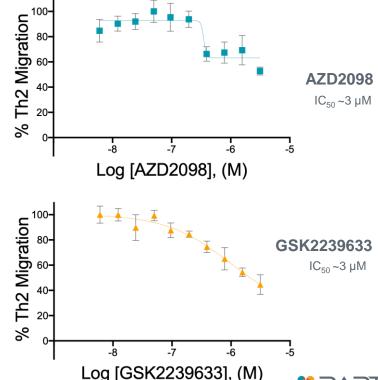




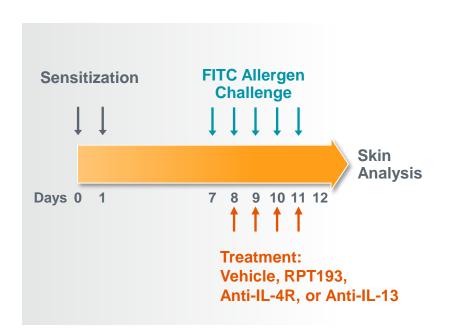
## RPT193 Has Greater Potency Against Th2 Chemotaxis Than Previous CCR4 Antagonists

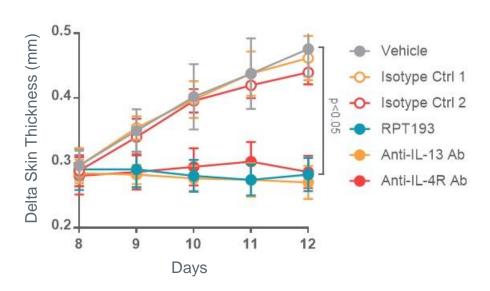






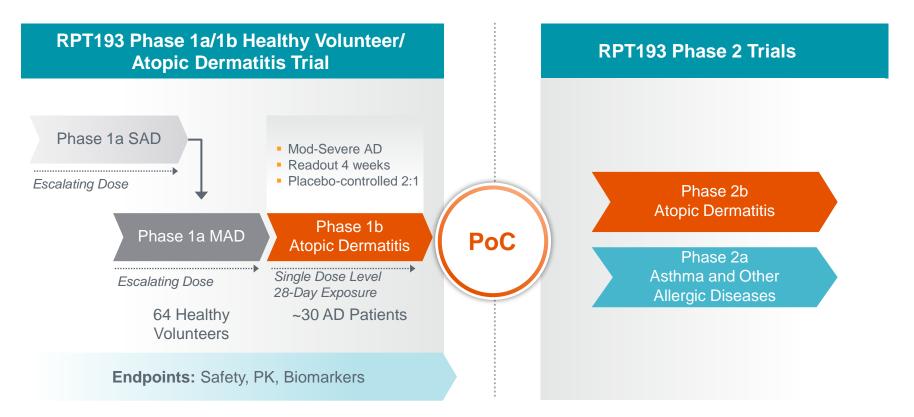
## Oral Doses of RPT193 Demonstrate Similar Efficacy to Biologics in a Therapeutic Atopic Dermatitis Model







### RPT193: Seamless Clinical Trial Design to PoC and Beyond









### **PERSPECTIVES**

**OPINION** 

Overcoming hurdles in developing successful drugs targeting chemokine receptors

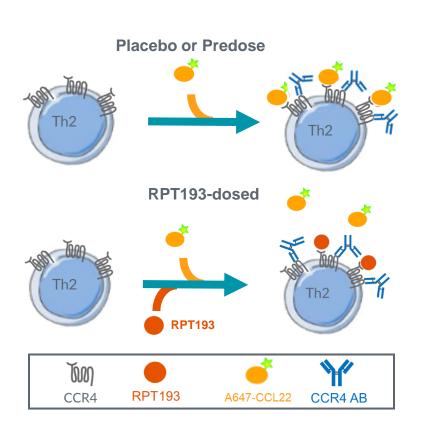
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Key conclusion:

For clinical efficacy, a compound must be at  $IC_{90}$  concentration at trough levels.



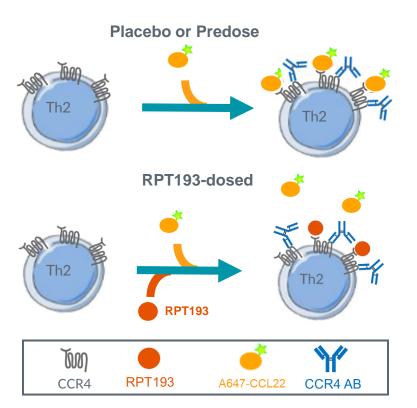
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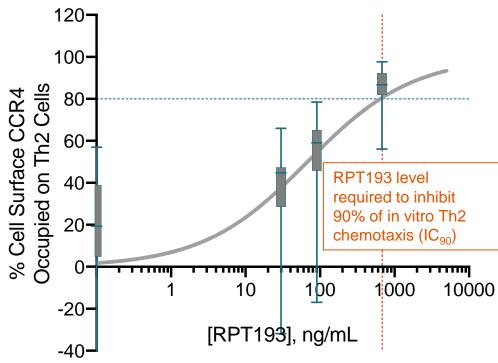


- Staining performed in fresh whole blood
- Th2 cells defined as: CD4+CD45RO+CXCR3-CCR6-
- A647-CCL22 binding normalized to cell surface CCR4 levels to determine surface receptor occupancy (sRO)
- Initial development in healthy blood; confirmed in blood of atopic dermatitis patients
- Intra/inter-assay reproducibility was good (CV <15%)</li>



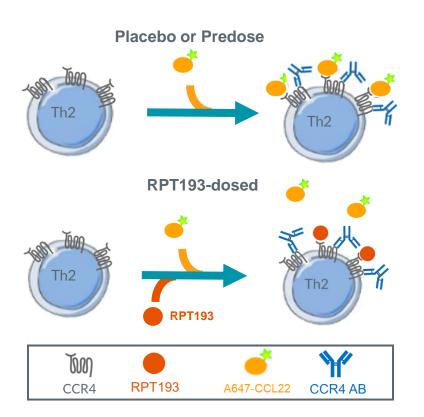
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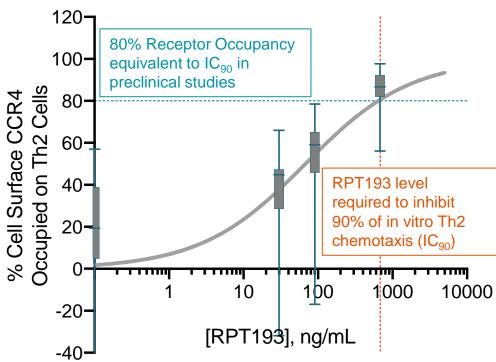






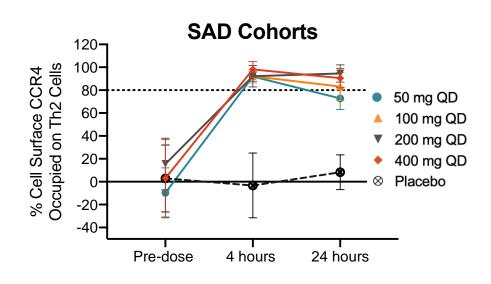
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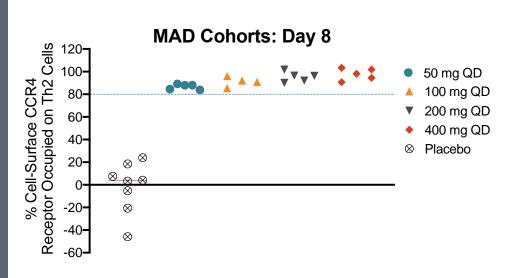


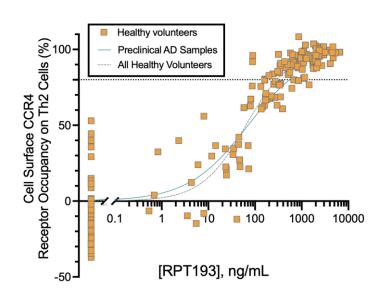
- CCR4 sRO greater than 80% was achieved by 4h postdose in each cohort
- At 24 hour "trough", sRO
   dropped below 80% target for
   50 mg and 100 mg cohorts

- RPT193 has ~25-hour half-life
- Expect ~2-fold accumulation with repeated dosing



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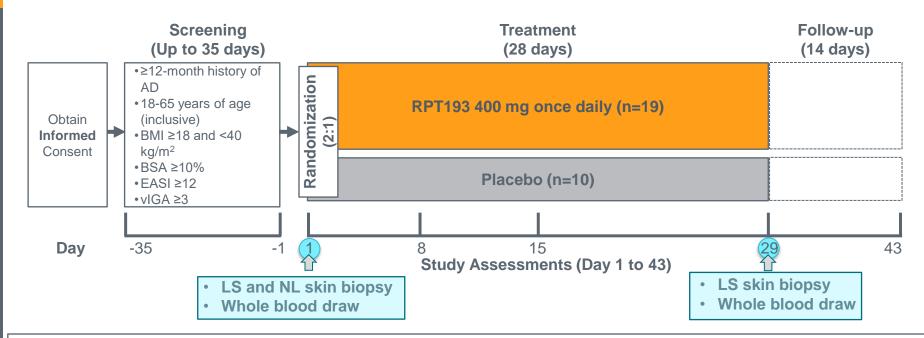
- All RPT193 dosed subjects reached the 80% target for sRO after 7 days of dosing
- RPT193 demonstrates good PK-PD relationship





PK, PD and Safety Data Supported Progression Into Atopic Dermatitis Patients at 400 mg Once Daily

## Phase 1b Trial Explored RPT193 Activity in Subjects with Moderate-to-Severe Atopic Dermatitis



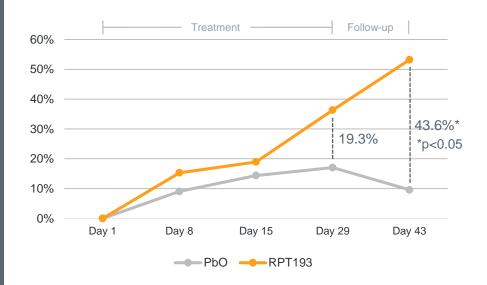
- Double-blind, randomized, monotherapy study
- Primary and secondary endpoints were safety and PK
  - Trial was not powered for clinical endpoints (EASI and SCORAD were exploratory endpoints)
- In addition to skin biopsies, plasma and whole-blood biomarker assessments were performed



# RPT193 Exhibits Improvement in EASI At Day 29 With Further Improvement Through Day 43

EASI = Eczema Area and Severity Index

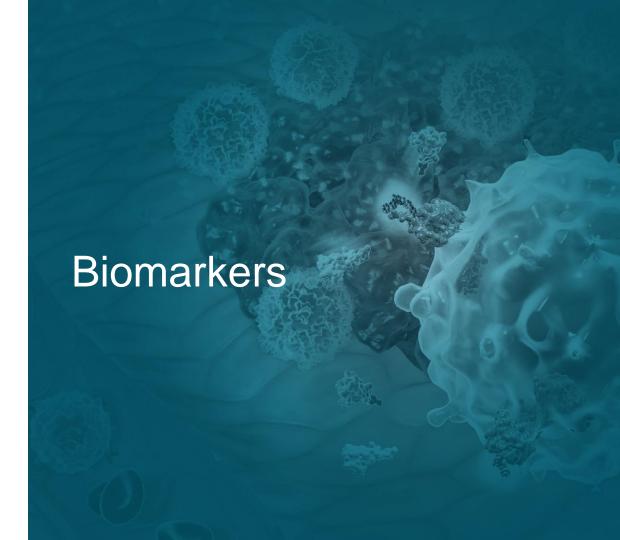
#### % Improvement in EASI



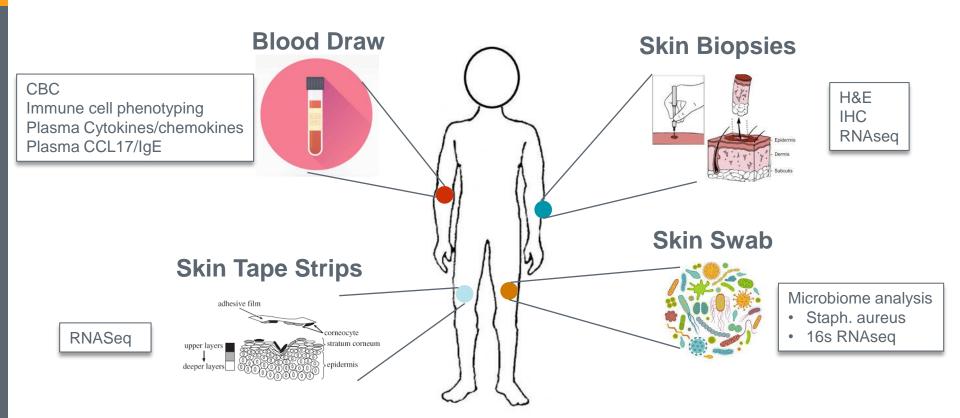
- RPT193 demonstrated improvement compared to Placebo in multiple measures for disease severity (EASI, EASI-75, vIGA 0/1 and SCORAD)
- Once-daily, oral RPT193 was generally well tolerated after 28 days of dosing







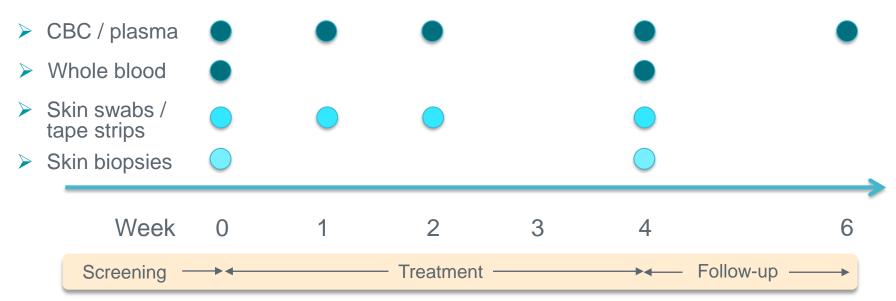
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### **RPT193 Biomarker Program**

 Comprehensive biomarker program for the AD portion of the RPT193 trial evaluating skin tissue, skin microbiome, plasma biomarkers (e.g. CCL17) and peripheral immune cell phenotypes (including neutrophils and eosinophils)

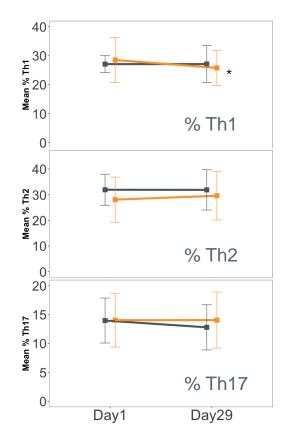


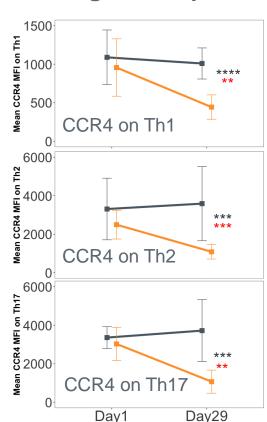


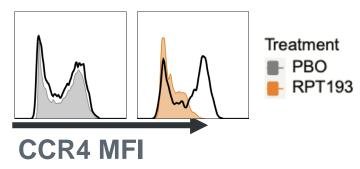




## **CCR4 Surface Levels Significantly Decreased with RPT193 Treatment: Peripheral Th Subsets Not Changed Compared to Placebo**







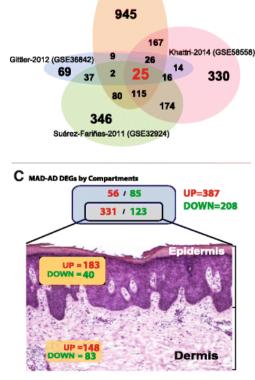
\*\*\*\*(p<0.0001), \*\*\*(p<0.001), \*\*(p<0.01), \*(p<0.05) Red (PBO vs RPT193), Black (Day 29 vs Day 1) Linear mixed effect model with treatment and timepoint as factors



## Skin Biopsy RNA-seq Transcriptomic Analysis

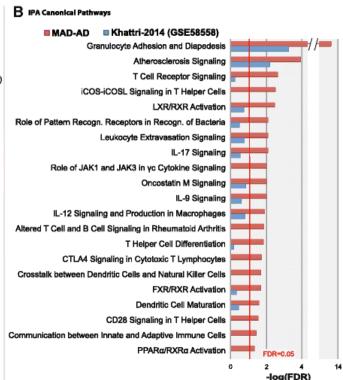
The following slides and analysis of RAPT data are in collaboration with Dr. Emma Guttman-Yassky

### Meta-analysis-derived AD Transcriptome (MADAD)



Beck-2014 (GSE59294)

A Study DEG Overlap

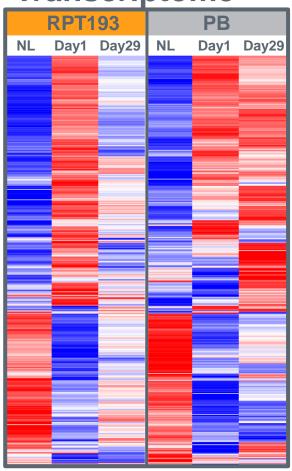


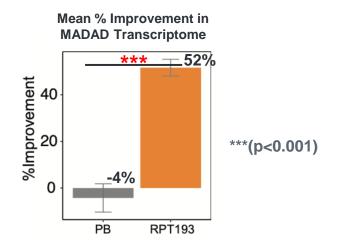
- 4 studies and 97 samples
- Uniform preprocessing pipeline
- Random effects model
- |FCH| ≥ 2, FDR ≤ 0.05
- Identified a set of 595 DEGs (387 upand 208 downregulated)

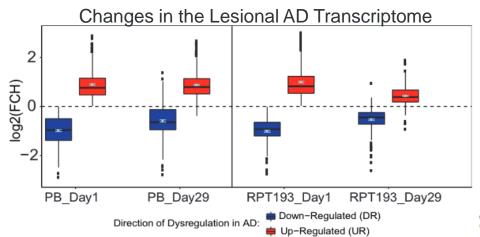


### **RPT193-Treated Subjects Exhibit Improvement in MADAD**

**Transcriptome** 

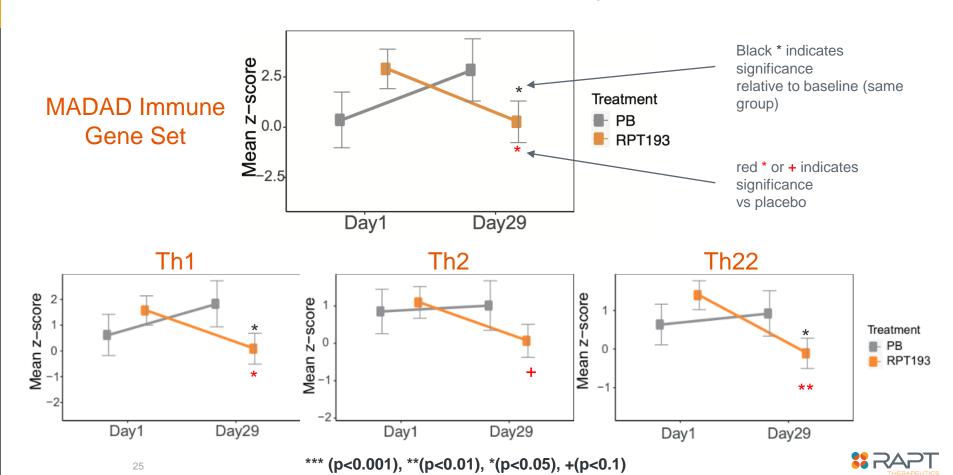




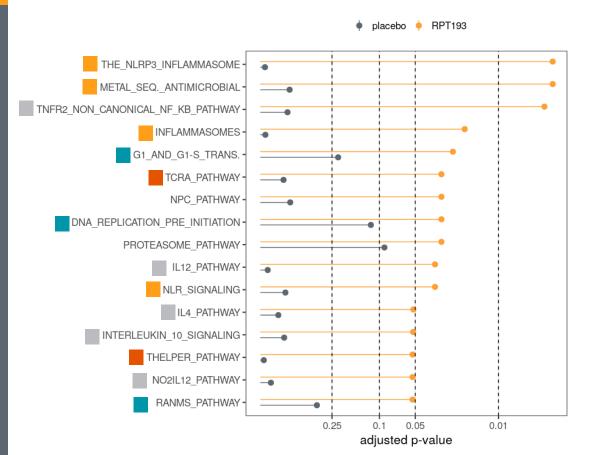




### MADAD, Th2, Th22 and Th1 Immune Pathways Show Decreases



# Gene Set Enrichment Analysis Indicates Multiple Pathways Are Changed on RPT193 Treatment



- Anti-microbial/ NLR/ Inflammasome signatures
- Cytokine pathway signatures
- Proliferation signatures
- T cell signatures



### Summary

- RAPT is developing an oral, selective and potent CCR4 small molecule antagonist for the treatment of AD and other Th2-driven diseases
- RPT193 has demonstrated clinical efficacy in a small, randomized Phase 1b study in moderate to severe atopic dermatitis
- Once daily dosing of RPT193 results in excellent surface CCR4 receptor occupancy at trough concentrations
- Cell surface CCR4 is decreased following RPT193 treatment
- RPT193 treatment results in improved MADAD transcriptome, a gene signature for key pathways of AD that is being used to evaluate therapeutic responses
- RPT193 is currently being tested in a Phase 2b study for AD and will be tested in a Phase 2 study in asthma



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