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### Kymab to Present Update on Lead Immunocytokine Program KY1043 at Two European Scientific Meetings in November 2019

- KY1043, a bifunctional, PD-L1-based, IL-2R $\alpha$  (CD25)-directed immunocytokine, binds and blocks the activity of PD-L1 on PD-1 and preferentially stimulates T cells via preferential binding to the high affinity trimeric IL-2 $\alpha\beta\gamma$  receptor (CD25/CD122/CD132)
- By engaging with both PD-L1 and IL- $2\alpha\beta\gamma$  receptor, KY1043 stimulates potent anti-tumor responses in a T cell tumor killing assay leading to enhanced tumor killing compared to a non-targeted immunocytokines
- In vivo, KY1043 produces rapid, dose-dependent tumor regression of established MC38 tumors
- Pharmacodynamic data indicates that KY1043 can increase CD8+ T cells in the tumor microenvironment with differential activity in the periphery that lead to the expansion of Treg cells
- Expanding data set continues to provide evidence for a dual mechanism-of-action of KY1043 *in vitro* and *in vivo*
- Development activities, including regulatory-enabling toxicological studies, are in progress

**Cambridge, UK; November 14, 2019**: Kymab, a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing antibody-based therapeutics, will be delivering oral presentations detailing an expanding body of evidence for the activity of the company's novel immunocytokine KY1043 at both the Promise of Interleukin-2 Therapy Congress being held at the Centre international de Conférence Sorbonne Université in Paris, France November 13-16 and the 11<sup>th</sup> annual PEGS Europe Meeting at the Lisbon Center in Lisbon, Portugal November 18-22. These presentations follow the KY1043 poster presented at the Society of Immunotherapy for Cancer (SITC) 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held on November 8, in the United States.

KY1043 is a novel, fully-human, PD-L1-based, IL-2R $\alpha$  (CD25)-directed immunocytokine that is designed to both inhibit the interaction between PD-L1 and the T cell checkpoint receptor PD-1 and stimulate T cells *via* interaction of a mutated form of IL-2 that preferentially activates antigen experienced T cells to promote the immune response against tumors.

Data presented will demonstrate that KY1043 retains the ability to effectively inhibit PD-1/PD-L1 binding and demonstrates preferential binding to the IL-2R $\alpha$  (CD25)-containing high-affinity trimeric IL-2R $\alpha\beta\gamma$  receptor present on antigen-experienced and activated T cells as well as on regulatory T cells (Treg). *In vitro*, KY1043 increases antigen-specific T cell-mediated killing of tumor cells. *In vivo*, KY1043 administration produces profound tumor growth suppression in an established MC38 tumor model, leading to the regression of tumors in a dose-dependent manner. Mice treated with KY1043 are resistant to subsequent tumor challenge indicating, the potential for long-term anti-tumor memory responses. Mechanism-of-action studies indicate that, while Treg cells are increased in the periphery as expected, in the tumor CD8 effector cells are increased without a concomitant increase in intratumoral Treg cells.



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Meeting: Promise of Interleukin-2 Therapy Congress, Paris, France
Title: KY1043, a novel PD-L1 IL-2 immunocytokine directed towards IL-2Rα (CD25), delivers potent anti-tumour activity in vivo
Presenter: Tim Malcom
Date and Time: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 4:30pm CET

Meeting: PEGS Europe Meeting, Lisbon, Portugal Title: The Development of KY1043; a Highly-Differentiated PD-L1-Based IL-2Rα CD25-Biased Immunocytokine

Presenter: Matthew McCourt Track: Tumour Microenvironment Date and Time: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 09:05 am GMT

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### NOTES TO EDITORS

### About KY1043

KY1043 is a novel immunocytokine based on a fully-human PD-L1 antibody discovered by Kymab. KY1043 a bi-functional PD-L1-based IL-2Rα (CD25)-directed immunocytokine and is designed to both inhibit the interaction between PD-L1 and the T cell checkpoint receptor PD-1 and stimulate T cells *via* interaction of a mutated form of IL-2 that preferentially activates antigen-experienced T cells to promote the immune response against tumors.

KY1043 has been investigated in highly illustrative *in vitro* and syngeneic models. *In vitro*, KY1043 increases antigen-specific T cell-mediated killing of tumor cells. *In vivo*, KY1043 administration produces profound effects in an established MC38 tumor model, leading to the regression of tumors in a dose-dependent manner.

For more information on Kymab please see http://www.kymab.com.

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