

Trethera, Kyan collaborate for AI driven cancer therapy

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Trethera Corporation (Trethera), a biopharmaceutical company committed to developing novel drugs targeting cellular nucleotide metabolism for the treatment of cancer, and KYAN Therapeutics, an artificial intelligence-based drug development firm, announced an agreement to collaborate on preclinical studies evaluating up to four different tumor types beginning this year leveraging their unique expertise to develop best-in-class combination therapies addressing unmet needs in solid tumors.

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KYAN was initiated by a team of visionary leaders from NUS and UCLA that has successfully taken its proprietary portfolio of AI platforms through clinical validation.