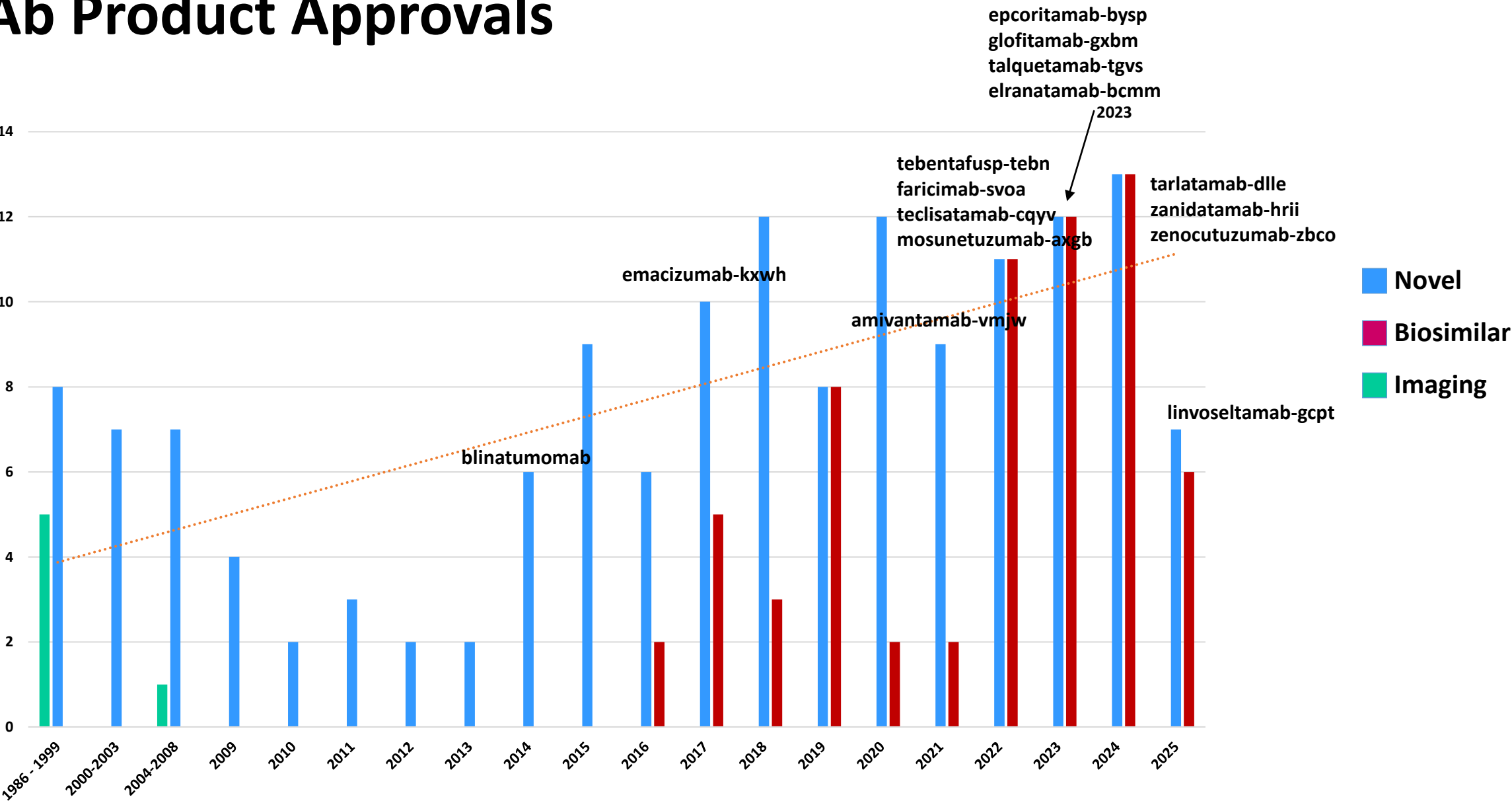


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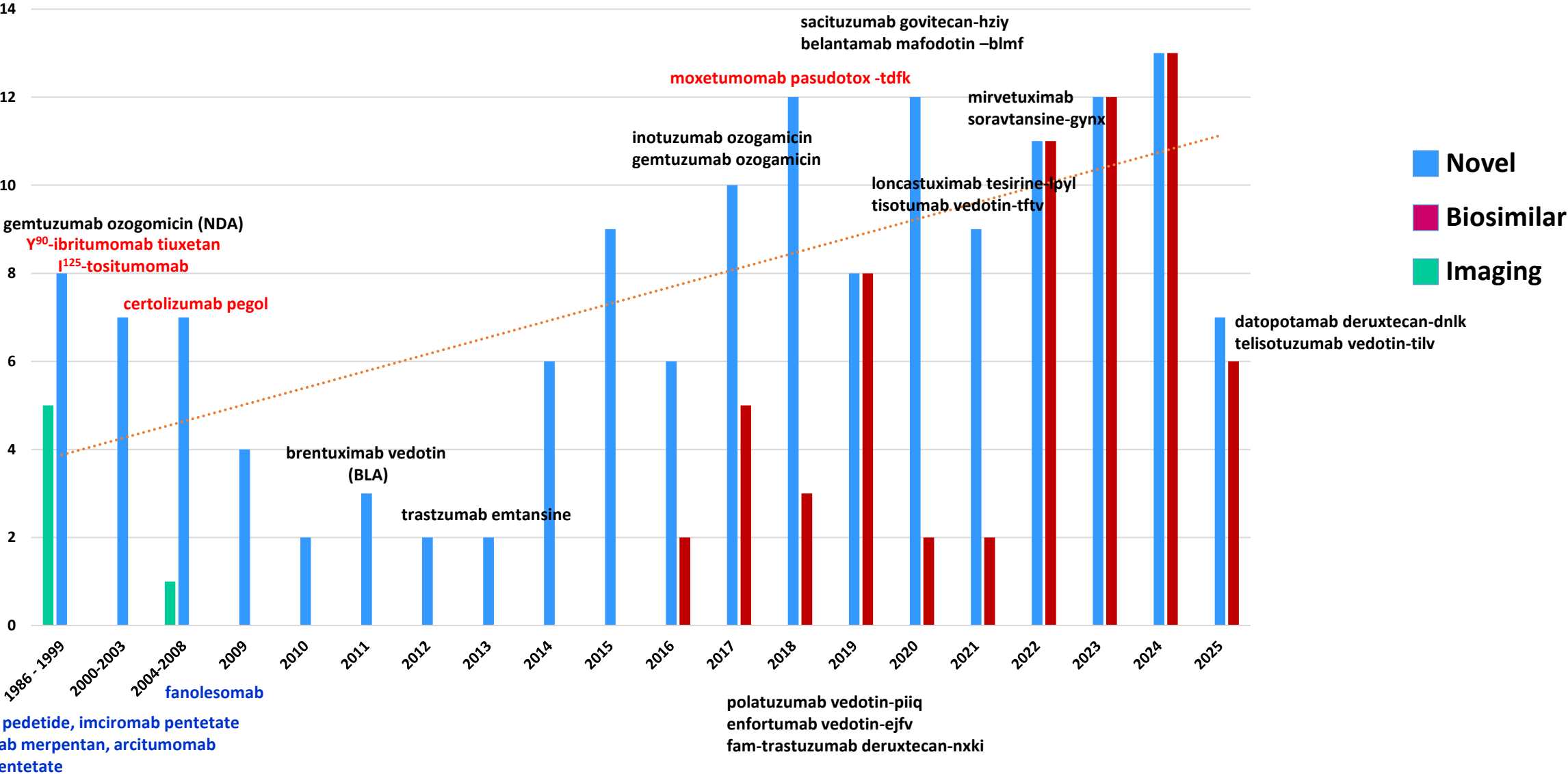
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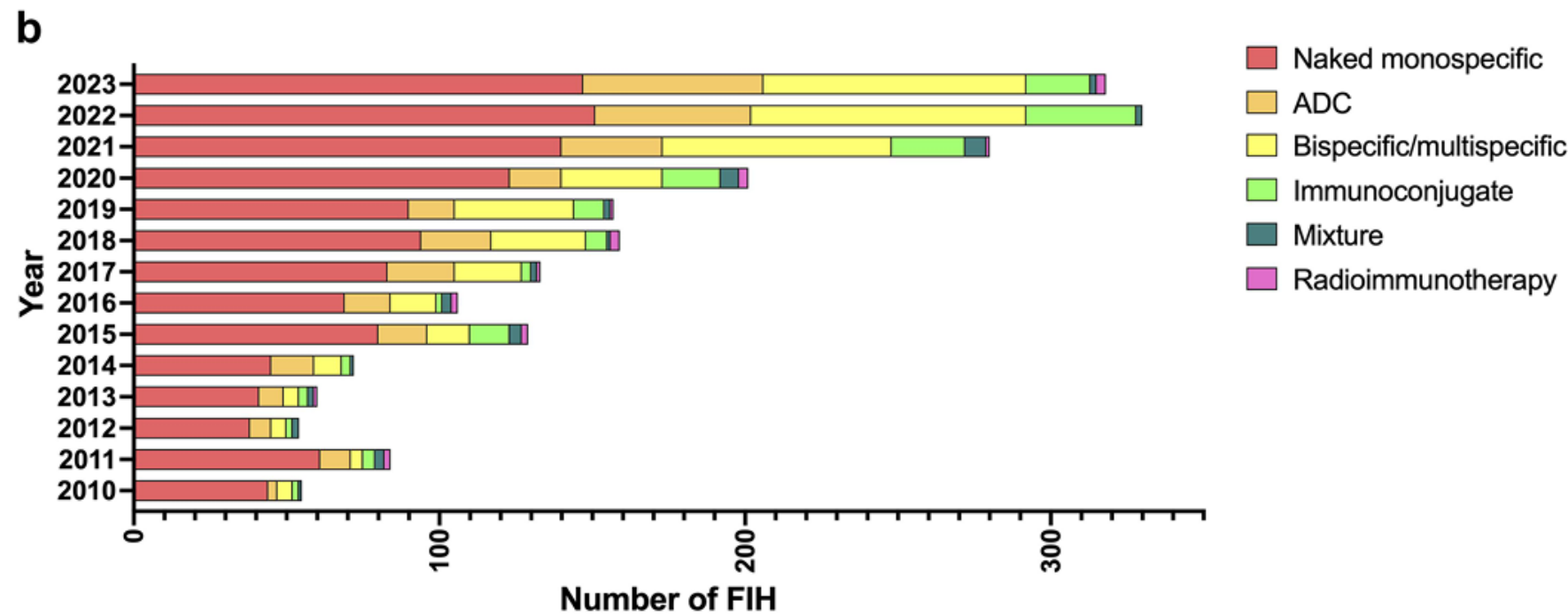
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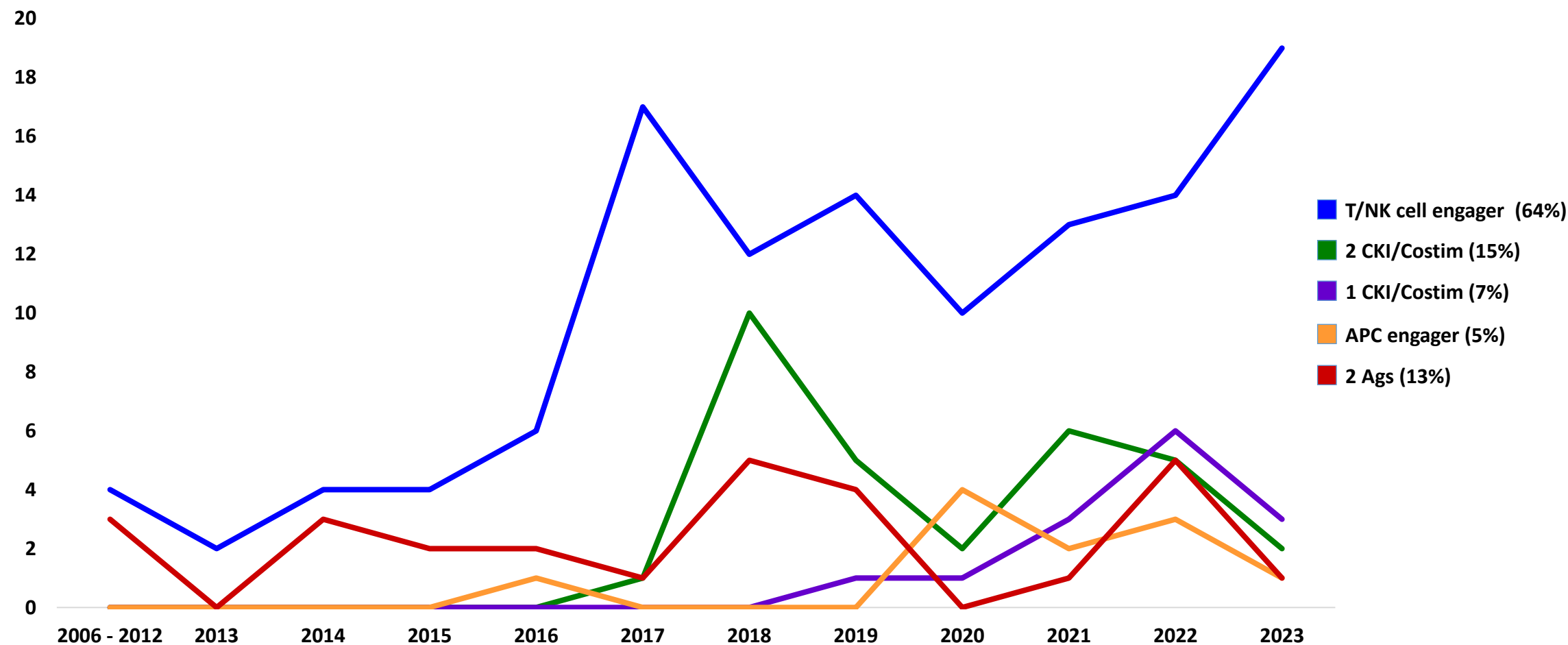
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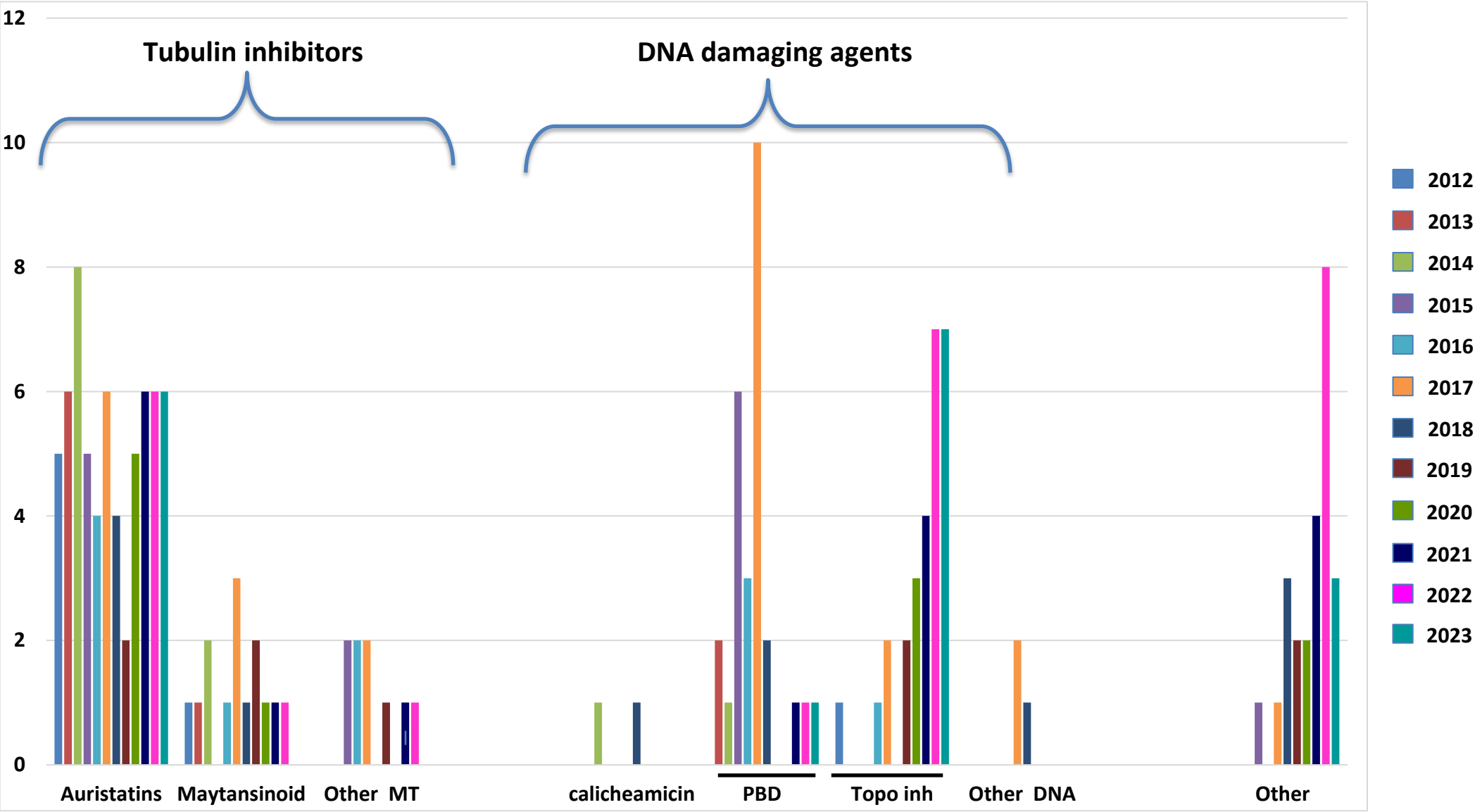
# Trends in First-in-Human Studies



# Trends in BsAb IND Submissions



# Trends in ADC Payloads



## Current and Next Generation mAb Conjugates and Multi-Specific Products

- Tri-specific TCE targeting two different antigens/epitopes
  - Target NK cells instead of T cells
  - Bispecific complement engagers
  - Constructs that contain an anti-HSA domain or HSA itself to prolong half life
  - Bispecific ADCs
  - Prodrug BsAbs
  - Fusion proteins/immunocytokines (prodrug)
- Protein degraders/molecular glues
  - Radioimmunoconjugates – newer nuclides
  - Optical imaging probes
  - Dual cytotoxic drug payloads
    - Same or different linkers
  - Dual cytotoxic and radionuclide payloads
  - Prodrug ADCs
  - Affinity tuning (all types of mAb products)

Rationale for newer constructs: broaden therapeutic window, overcome drug resistance in tumors, improve PK, improve tissue penetration, mitigate cytokine release for TCEs and other T-cell targeted products.

# **Regulatory considerations for novel mAb constructs – could it be a CQA?**

BsAb, ADC and Immunocytokine Prodrugs should have no activity. Remove the mask to demonstrate expected activity. Consider release assay for both.

Bi/multi-specific abs and fusion proteins with gly-ser linkers. Characterize for O-glycosylation and other PTMs.

HSA and anti-HSA containing constructs - included for extended half-life. Characterize to ensure lot-to-lot consistency.

Novel antibody conjugate payloads may have different properties compared to traditional cytotoxic payloads and need different characterization/release methods (e.g., mAb-oligo constructs)

Mabs, even human mAbs, can be immunogenic. Pre-existing ADA in normal serum have been detected against parts of some novel constructs. Test the immunogenicity of your design early in development



# *Thanks for your attention!*

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