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Form 20-F Form 40-F

INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT ON FORM 6-K

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Among 65 efficacy-evaluable patients in the dose expansion phase, those in the combined 10 mg/kg cohorts (N=39) demonstrated an ORR of 13% (5/39), which was comprised of an ORR of 0% (0/10) in the Q6W regimen cohort and an ORR of 17% (5/29) in the every 3 weeks (Q3W) cohort. The higher response rates in the Q3W cohort and robust safety data, to keep patients stable without new lesions, in the Q6W cohort helped inform the decision for the dosing regimens utilized in Arm A of the ongoing randomized phase 2 trial.

The combined 20 mg/kg cohorts (N=26) demonstrated a confirmed ORR of 31% (8/26), including 25% (3/12) in the Q6W cohort and 36% (5/14) in the 20 mg/kg loading dose cohort (20 mg/kg, followed by 10 mg/kg Q3W). The higher response rate in the 20 mg/kg cohorts helped inform the 20 mg/kg induction/ maintenance dosing regimen utilized in Arm B of the ongoing randomized phase 2 trial.

Median progression-free survival was 4.8 months in the 10 mg/kg cohorts and 6.7 months in the 20 mg/kg cohorts. Notably, mPFS was 15.4 months among the 14 patients in the 20 mg/kg loading dose cohort, compared with 4.9 months among the 12 patients in the 20 mg/kg Q6W cohort, further supporting the induction/maintenance approach now being evaluated in the ongoing randomized phase 2 study.

**Muzastotug +
Pembrolizumab
200 mg Q3W**

Subpopulation (N)	10 mg/kg			20 mg/kg		
	Combined (N=39)	Q6W (N=10)	Q3W (N=29)	Combined (N=26)	Q6W (N=12)	20 mg/kg x1 + 10 mg/kg Q3W (N=14)
ORR, % (95% CI)	13 (4 – 27)	0 ^(a) (0 – 31)	17 (6 – 36)	31 (14 – 52)	25 (5 – 57)	36 (13 – 65)
BoR, N (%)						
CR	0	0	0	1(4)	1(8)	0
PR	5 (13)	0	5 ^(b) (17)	7 (27)	2 (17)	5 (36)
SD	24 (62)	7 (70)	17 (59)	14 (54)	7 (58)	7 (50)
DCR						
(CR+PR+SD), %, (95% CI)	74 (58 – 87)	70 (35 – 93)	76 (56 – 90)	85 (65 – 96)	83 (52 – 98)	86 (57 – 98)
mPFS, months (95% CI)	4.8 (2.6 – 6.7)	4.5 (1.4 – 7.1)	4.8 (2.6 – 6.7)	6.7 (2.7 – NA)	4.9 (1.2 – NA)	15.4 (2.6 – NA)
6-month PFS, %, (95% CI)	39.6 (24.3 – 54.6)	40 (12.3 – 67)	39.6 (21.9 – 56.8)	50.4 (29.5 – 68.1)	45.5 (16.7 – 70.7)	54.5 (25.4 – 76.5)

Abbreviations: BoR (best overall response), CR (complete response), PR (partial response), SD (stable disease), DCR (disease control rate)

Efficacy evaluable set (participants who received ≥ 1 post-baseline scheduled imaging scan)

(a) One patient with target lesion assessed as “PR”, overall assessment as “PD” due to new lesion.

(b) Including one unconfirmed PR (10 mg/kg Q3W)

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- **Endpoints:** The primary endpoint will be ORR. Secondary endpoints include duration of response, PFS, and OS.

The information in the paragraphs above under “Information Contained in this Report on Form 6-K” in this Report on Form 6-K shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the registration statements on Form F-3 (File Nos. 333-291196 and 333-287161) and Form S-8 (File No. 333-255250) of the Company, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”), and to be a part thereof from the date on which this report is furnished, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.

On April 2, 2026, the Company issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2. The furnishing of the attached press releases is not an admission as to the materiality of any information therein. The information contained in the press releases is summary information that is intended to be considered in the context of more complete information included in the Company’s filings with the SEC and other public announcements that the Company has made and may make from time to time. The Company undertakes no duty or obligation to update or revise the information contained in this report, although it may do so from time to time as its management believes is appropriate. Any such updating may be made through the filing or furnishing of other reports or documents with the SEC or through other public disclosures.

Forward-Looking Statements

The Company cautions that statements included in this report that are not a description of historical facts are forward-looking statements. Words such as “may,” “could,” “will,” “would,” “should,” “expect,” “plan,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “estimate,” “intend,” “predict,” “seek,” “contemplate,” “look forward,” “potential,” “continue” or “project” or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements include the Company’s plans to advance the development of its product candidates, the timing of achieving any development or regulatory milestones or reporting data or whether such milestones or data will be achieved or generated, including whether any new drug application will be submitted or accepted and the timing thereof, and the potential of such product candidates, including to achieve any benefit, improvement, differentiation, trend or profile or any product approval or be effective. The inclusion of forward-looking statements should not be regarded as a representation by the Company that any of its plans will be achieved. Actual data may differ materially from those set forth in this report due to the risks and uncertainties inherent in the Company’s business and other risks described in the Company’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), including the Company’s Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC on April 1, 2026, and its other reports. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof, and the Company undertakes no obligation to revise or update this report to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof. Further information regarding these and other risks is included in the Company’s filings with the SEC which are available from the SEC’s website (www.sec.gov). All forward-looking statements are qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. This caution is made under the safe harbor provisions of Section 21E of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Adagene Inc.

By: /s/ Peter Luo

Name: Peter Luo

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Date: April 2, 2026

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description
<u>99.1</u>	<u>Press release titled “Adagene Announces Clinical Collaboration with Incyte to Evaluate Muzastotug (ADG126) in Combination with Incyte's TGFβR2xPD-1 Bispecific Antibody (INCA33890) in Patients with Microsatellite Stable Colorectal Cancer (MSS CRC)”</u>
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Phase 1 study of INCA33890 and muzastotug expected to begin in 2026 in 3L MSS CRC patients with and without liver metastases

Study will be sponsored and conducted by Incyte; Adagene to provide clinical supply of muzastotug

Collaboration provides additional validation of muzastotug as a potential backbone therapy for next-generation immuno-oncology combinations

SAN DIEGO and SUZHOU, China, April 2, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Adagene Inc. ("Adagene") (Nasdaq:ADAG), a company transforming the discovery and development of novel antibody-based therapies, today announced a clinical collaboration with Incyte (Nasdaq:INCY), to evaluate the combination of muzastotug (ADG126) and INCA33890, a TGFβ2 × PD-1 bispecific antibody, in patients with microsatellite stable colorectal cancer (MSS CRC) with or without liver metastases.

Muzastotug in combination with Merck's (known as MSD outside of the United States and Canada) anti-PD-1 therapy, KEYTRUDA® (pembrolizumab) has demonstrated encouraging overall response rates and durable responses in a Phase 1b/2 trial in 3L MSS CRC patients. As a monotherapy, INCA33890 has demonstrated promising clinical efficacy and safety in immune checkpoint sensitive and insensitive cancers, including MSS CRC with and without liver metastases. Incyte has recently initiated a Phase 3 study ([NCT07284849](#)) evaluating bevacizumab and FOLFOX (standard of care chemotherapy) with or without INCA33890 in 700 first-line MSS CRC patients.

"This strategic collaboration marks the second instance in which Adagene's SAFEbody® technology is being paired with a leading PD-1-based bispecific, further reinforcing muzastotug's potential as a backbone immunotherapy with a wider therapeutic index for next-generation immuno-oncology combinations," said Peter Luo, Ph.D., CEO and President of R&D at Adagene. "We look forward to the clinical insights this study may provide to support our belief that muzastotug has the potential to both improve overall response rate and extend survival, meaningfully enhancing the clinical benefit for patients."

"This collaboration allows us to explore a novel combination approach for patients with microsatellite stable colorectal cancer, a disease that remains resistant to current immunotherapies," said Pablo J. Cagnoni, M.D., President, Head of Research & Development at Incyte. "By evaluating INCA33890 in combination with muzastotug, we aim to better understand whether complementary mechanisms may help enhance anti-tumor immune responses particularly for patients with liver metastases, who have an especially poor prognosis and limited treatment options."



Muzastotug, a masked anti-CTLA-4 SAFEbody[®] with FDA Fast Track designation, is currently being evaluated in multiple ongoing studies, including:

- A Phase 1b/2 clinical trial in combination with pembrolizumab in MSS CRC patients without liver metastases.
- A randomized Phase 2 study in MSS CRC patients without liver metastases designed to determine the optimal dose to advance into a Phase 3 registration trial.
- A Phase 1b/2 dose escalation and expansion study of muzastotug in combination with Sanofi's SAR445877 (PD-1 x IL-15 fusion protein) in adults with advanced solid tumors.

Under terms of the agreement, Incyte will sponsor and conduct the study and Adagene will provide clinical trial supply of muzastotug. The planned dose escalation portion of the study will evaluate safety and tolerability, followed by an efficacy expansion cohort in patients with chemotherapy-refractory MSS CRC patients with and without liver metastases. MSS CRC is well-known to be largely non-responsive to anti-PD-1 / PD-L1 therapy. INCA33890 monotherapy has demonstrated promising initial clinical efficacy and safety in immune checkpoint sensitive/insensitive tumors, including MSS CRC with and without liver metastases.

About Adagene

Adagene Inc. (Nasdaq: ADAG) is a platform-driven, clinical-stage biotechnology company committed to transforming the discovery and development of novel antibody-based cancer immunotherapies. Adagene combines computational biology and artificial intelligence to design novel antibodies that address globally unmet patient needs. The company has forged strategic collaborations with reputable global partners that leverage its SAFEbody precision masking technology in multiple approaches at the vanguard of science.

Powered by its proprietary Dynamic Precision Library (DPL) platform, composed of NEObody[™], SAFEbody, and POWERbody[™] technologies, Adagene's highly differentiated pipeline features novel immunotherapy programs. The company's SAFEbody technology is designed to address safety and tolerability challenges associated with many antibody therapeutics by using precision masking technology to shield the binding domain of the biologic therapy. Through activation in the tumor microenvironment, this allows for tumor-specific targeting of antibodies, while minimizing on-target off-tumor toxicity in healthy tissues.

Adagene's lead clinical program, muzastotug (ADG126), is a masked, anti-CTLA-4 SAFEbody with FDA Fast Track designation that targets a unique epitope of CTLA-4 in regulatory T cells (Tregs) in the tumor microenvironment. Muzastotug is currently in Phase 1b/2 and Phase 2 clinical studies in combination with anti-PD-1 therapy, particularly focused on metastatic microsatellite-stable (MSS) colorectal cancer (CRC). Validated by ongoing clinical research, the SAFEbody platform can be applied to a wide variety of antibody-based therapeutic modalities, including Fc empowered antibodies, antibody-drug conjugates, and bi/multispecific T-cell engagers.

For more information, please visit: <https://investor.adagene.com>.

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**Updated Data from Phase 1b/2 Study of Muzastotug in Combination with KEYTRUDA[®]
(pembrolizumab) in Late-line Patients with Microsatellite Stable Colorectal Cancer Demonstrate
Improved Durability of Response**

Dose-Dependent Efficacy Results: As of the latest data cut, muzastotug achieved a 31% (8/26) confirmed overall response rate (ORR) in the combined 20 mg/kg dose cohorts, showing a clear improvement over the 13% ORR (5/39) in the combined 10 mg/kg dose cohorts

Extended Durability: Median duration of response (mDOR) was not yet reached in the 20 mg/kg cohorts, with responses ongoing beyond 9 months; confirmed mDOR of 6.2 months in the 10 mg/kg cohorts

Meaningful Progression-Free Survival (PFS): Median PFS was 6.7 months in the combined 20 mg/kg cohorts, outperforming the 4.8 months observed in the combined 10 mg/kg cohorts

Favorable Overall Survival Results: In the 10 mg/kg cohorts (n=41; median follow-up, 23.8 months), median overall survival was 19.8 months, with 48% of patients alive at two years, showing the long-tail survival typical of CTLA-4 immunotherapy. At 20 mg/kg, one-year survival was 80.8% vs. 70.1% at 10 mg/kg

Expanded Therapeutic Window: Across 67 patients in all cohorts, a low 4% overall discontinuation rate, no dose limiting toxicities, and no Grade 4 or 5 treatment-related adverse events (TRAEs); Grade 3 TRAEs were 15% in the 10 mg/kg cohorts and 38% in the 20 mg/kg cohorts, which were generally transient and manageable

Clear Clinical Path Forward: Randomized Phase 2 trial enrollment ongoing, with results expected in 1H 2027; potential registration trial expected to begin once recommended dose regimen has been established

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"Historically, patients with late-line MSS colorectal cancer have faced limited options and poor outcomes with standard immunotherapies," stated Dr. Marwan Fakih, Professor of Medical Oncology and Therapeutics Research at City of Hope. "The latest data on muzastotug combined with pembrolizumab shows a meaningful clinical benefit for this heavily pretreated group. Beyond the encouraging response durations and overall survival rates—particularly at the 20 mg/kg dose—the safety results are a key differentiator. It potentially allows patients to sustain treatment longer, paving the way for durable disease control while mitigating the severe treatment-related toxicities that have long limited anti-CTLA-4 treatments."

"These data offer strong clinical support for our masked antibody platform, demonstrating our potential to expand the therapeutic window for CTLA-4 therapy," said Peter Luo, Ph.D., CEO and President of R&D at Adagene. "The clear dose-dependent response observed at 20 versus 10 mg/kg, along with early survival indicators that track consistently with the immunotherapy-like long tail—highlighted by a 48% survival rate at two years in our mature 10 mg/kg cohorts—gives us high confidence in this program's potentially differentiated profile. Supported by our FDA Fast Track designation, we remain focused on executing our randomized Phase 2 trial and collaborating with regulatory authorities to finalize an optimal dose and registration path."

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 - Arm B: 20 mg/kg induction dose of muzastotug Q6W plus 400 mg pembrolizumab Q6W for 2 doses; the maintenance phase will dose muzastotug at 15 mg/kg Q6W plus 400 mg pembrolizumab Q6W.
 - **Endpoints:** The primary endpoint will be overall response rate (ORR). Secondary endpoints include duration of response (DOR), progression-free survival (PFS), and overall survival (OS).
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About Adagene

Adagene Inc. (Nasdaq: ADAG) is a platform-driven, clinical-stage biotechnology company committed to transforming the discovery and development of novel antibody-based cancer immunotherapies. Adagene combines computational biology and artificial intelligence to design novel antibodies that address globally unmet patient needs. The company has forged strategic collaborations with reputable global partners that leverage its SAFEbody precision masking technology in multiple approaches at the vanguard of science.

Powered by its proprietary Dynamic Precision Library (DPL) platform, composed of NEObody™, SAFEbody, and POWERbody™ technologies, Adagene's highly differentiated pipeline features novel immunotherapy programs. The company's SAFEbody technology is designed to address safety and tolerability challenges associated with many antibody therapeutics by using precision masking technology to shield the binding domain of the biologic therapy. Through activation in the tumor microenvironment, this allows for tumor-specific targeting of antibodies, while minimizing on-target off-tumor toxicity in healthy tissues.

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Adagene's lead clinical program, muzastotug (ADG126), is a masked, anti-CTLA-4 SAFEbody with FDA Fast Track designation that targets a unique epitope of CTLA-4 in regulatory T cells (Tregs) in the tumor microenvironment. Muzastotug is currently in Phase 1b/2 and Phase 2 clinical studies in combination with anti-PD-1 therapy, particularly focused on metastatic microsatellite-stable (MSS) colorectal cancer (CRC). Supported by ongoing clinical research, Adagene believes the SAFEbody platform can be applied to a wide variety of antibody-based therapeutic modalities, including Fc empowered antibodies, antibody-drug conjugates, and bi/multispecific T-cell engagers.

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