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### **Today's Presenters**



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### **Today's Agenda**

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Ionis – The Leader in RNA-targeted Drug Discovery and Development	Brett Monia
Ionis – Leading the Way in Targeting Cardiovascular Diseases	Sam Tsimikas
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Vupanorsen (AKCEA-ANGPTL3-L <sub>Rx</sub> )	
Apolipoprotein(a): Pelacarsen (AKCEA-APO(a)-L <sub>Rx</sub> )	Sam Tsimikas
Thrombosis: IONIS-FXI-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Sanjay Bhanot
Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy: AKCEA-TTR-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Richard Geary
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Ionis – The Leader in RNA-targeted Drug Discovery and Development

**Brett Monia** 





### Where We Are Today



Advancing and expanding the reach of our Antisense platform technology



**Prioritizing our Ionis-owned pipeline** 



**Optimizing our commercial capabilities** 



Delivering transformative medicines to the patients we serve

### Delivering Medicines for Most Major Severe Diseases



NEUROLOGICAL ...... NEUROMUSCULAR CARDIOVASCULAR ····· METABOLIC ••••••••••••••••• PULMONARY CANCER ..... HEMATOLOGICAL ..... **KIDNE** OPHTHALMOLOGY ..... INFECTIOUS DISEASE



### Delivering Medicines for Most Major Severe Diseases



### ≥ 10 Marketing Applications through 2025

HEMATOLOGICAL

KIDNEY

OPHTHALMOLOGY

INFECTIOUS DISEASE



### Delivering Medicines for Most Major Severe Diseases



NEUROLOGICAL NEUROMUSCULAR CARDIOVASCULAR

### **Ultra-rare to Common Diseases**

HEMATOLOGICAL ·····

**DNEY** .....

OPHTHALMOLOGY .....

**INFECTIOUS DISEASE** ...



# Ligand Conjugated Antisense (LICA)

Enhancing delivery of our medicines

• LICA is a technology we developed to enhance the delivery of our medicines

 LICA continues to deliver value today and sets a foundation for even better performance of our medicines in the future



### LICA Precisely Delivers Our Medicines to the Intended Target Organs and Cell Types



Liver LICA is enabling more therapeutic benefit and delivering value to patients today

- 20-30x increase in potency
- Allows monthly or less frequent dosing
- Excellent safety and tolerability across 15 LICA medicines in development today



- Expanding our LICA platform to include more organ systems and cell types
- Optimizing intracellular distribution
- Potential for oral delivery



### All Medicines Targeting Cardiovascular Diseases Utilize Our LICA Technology

MEDICINE	INDICATION	PRECLINICAL	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3
AKCEA-TTR-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Transthyretin amyloidosis				
Pelacarsen <sup>1</sup>	Cardiovascular disease				
Vupanorsen <sup>2</sup>	Cardiovascular disease				
AKCEA-APOCIII-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Cardiovascular disease				
IONIS-AGT-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Treatment-resistant hypertension				
IONIS-FXI-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Clotting disorders				
IONIS-AZ4-2.5-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Cardiovascular disease				
ION547 (Gen 2.5-L <sub>Rx</sub> )	Cardiometabolic disease				
ION904 (Gen 2.5-L <sub>Rx</sub> )	Cardiometabolic disease				

Ionis: Leading the Way in Targeting Cardiovascular Diseases

Sam Tsimikas





### **Cardiovascular Disease Franchise Pipeline**

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Pelacarsen <sup>1</sup>	Cardiovascular disease				
Vupanorsen <sup>2</sup>	Cardiovascular disease				
AKCEA-APOCIII-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Cardiovascular disease				
IONIS-AGT-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Treatment-resistant hypertension				
IONIS-FXI-L <sub>Rx</sub>	Clotting disorders				
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### **Cardiovascular Disease Franchise Pipeline**

PHASE 3



## Apolipoprotein C-III (apoC-III)

Targeting apoC-III for patient diseases driven by high triglycerides





### ApoC-III is a Genetically Validated Target for Triglyceride-driven Diseases



Gordts PL, et al J Clin Invest. 2016;126:2855

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Apolipoprotein C-III (apoC-III)

- Synthesized mainly in the liver
  - Key regulator of triglyceride-rich lipoprotein (TRL) hepatic uptake and plasma triglyceride (TG) levels through lipoprotein lipase (LPL)-dependent and LPL-independent mechanisms
- Epidemiological studies show that apoC-III levels predict CVD risk
- Loss of function mutations in apoC-III result in reduced TG and TRL, elevated HDL-C and ~40% reduction in risk of CVD compared to noncarriers
- Hypertriglyceridemia can result in familial chylomicronemia (FCS) and multifactorial chylomicronemia syndrome (MCS) and is associated with increased residual risk for CV events in patients receiving appropriate lipid lowering therapies
- Elevated triglyceride levels associated with major medical issues
  - Acute pancreatitis, which is associated with significant morbidity and mortality
  - Higher risk of cardiovascular disease

## AKCEA-APOCIII-L<sub>Rx</sub>

LICA medicine we designed to specifically target apoC-III for reduction of CVD risk

 Positive topline Phase 2 data reported in early 2020

• Full Phase 2 data presented at the 2020 European Society of Cardiology

- Phase 3 start in FCS expected in 2020
- Planning underway for additional disease indications



### **AKCEA-APOCIII-L**<sub>Rx</sub> Phase 2 Study Design



**The primary endpoint** was mean percentage change in fasting triglycerides from baseline at the primary analysis timepoint of 6 months (Week 25 for Q4W and Week 27 for QW dosing) in each AKCEA-APOCIII-L<sub>Rx</sub> group compared with the pooled placebo group

Secondary endpoints included change from baseline at the primary analysis timepoint in:

- Percent change from baseline in apoC-III, VLDL-C, non-HDL-C, LDL-C, apoB, HDL-C, and apoA-I
- Proportion of patients who achieve serum TG  $\leq$  150 mg/dL ( $\leq$  1.7 mmol/L)



### **AKCEA-APOCIII-L**<sub>Rx</sub> Phase 2 Results

Met primary endpoint of significant triglyceride lowering

>90% of patients achieved serum triglycerides of <150 mg/dL

#### **Primary Endpoint Analysis:**

Pairwise comparison between each AKCEA-APOCIII- $L_{RX}$  group and pooled placebo group using an ANCOVA model, with treatment group as a fixed factor and log-transformed baseline triglycerides as a covariate.





### **AKCEA-APOCIII-L**<sub>Rx</sub> Phase 2 Results

Met multiple secondary endpoints

- Significant reductions in apoC-III, very low-density lipoprotein (VLDL-C), non-HDL-C & remnant cholesterol
- Statistically significant increases in high-density lipoprotein cholesterol (HDL-C)



Martin SS et al, JAMA 2013;310:2061

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### **AKCEA-APOCIII-L<sub>Rx</sub> Demonstrated a Favorable Safety and Tolerability Profile in Phase 2 Study**

	Placebo	AKCEA-APOCIII-L <sub>Rx</sub>					
	N=24	10 mg Q4W N=22	15 mg Q2W N=23	10 mg QW N=26	50 mg Q4W N=22	Pooled N=90	
Any TEAE <sup>*</sup>	20 (83.3%)	17 (77.3%)	20 (87.0%)	22 (95.7%)	21 (95.5%)	80 (88.9%)	
Serious TEAE**	1 (4.2%)	3 (13.6%)	3 (13%)	1 (4.3%)	2 (9.1%)	9 (10.0%)	
TEAE leading to discontinuation***	1 (4.2%)	0	1 (4.3%)	1 (4.3%)	0	2 (2.2%)	
TEAE leading to death****	0	0	1 (4.3%)	0	0	1 (1.1%)	

Treatment period: from the first dose through one dosing interval after the last dose

- \* The most frequent TEAEs : Injection site erythema (15.6%) in pooled AKCEA-APOCIII-L<sub>Rx</sub> group
- \*\* None of the SAEs were related to study drug
- \*\*\* Eosinophilia (mild, related) and myalgia (mild, not related); cardiac arrest (severe, unlikely related); hypertension (mild, related)
- \*\*\*\* Cardiac arrest (severe, not related)



### **AKCEA-APOCIII-L**<sub>Rx</sub> Summary and Next Steps

- Phase 2 study met the primary, key secondary endpoints and demonstrated a favorable safety and tolerability profile
- Initiate Phase 3 Study in FCS this year
- Additional potential indications targeting elevated triglyceride levels
  - **Multifactorial Chylomicronemia Syndrome** (MCS) is a polygenic disorder exacerbated by the presence of secondary factors, such as diet rich in fats and simple sugars and obesity
  - Very high triglycerides levels > 500 is a leading cause of pancreatitis and CVD, affecting tens of millions of people in the U.S.
  - High triglyceride levels > 150-500 which increase the risk of CVD, including heart disease and stroke



# Angiopoietin-like 3 (ANGPTL3)

Targeting ANGPTL3 for patient diseases driven by high triglycerides and cholesterol





# Angiopoietin-like 3 is a Key Regulator of Triglycerides and Cholesterol

- ANGPTL3 is a genetically validated target, secreted by the liver as an inhibitor of lipoprotein lipase & endothelial lipase
- Loss of function mutations in ANGPTL3 are associated with familial combined hypolipidemia, type 2, FHBL2
  - Reduced triglyceride and triglyceride rich lipoproteins levels
  - Reduced plasma LDL-C via a non-LDLR pathway
  - Reduced plasma HDL-C

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- ~40% lower risk of coronary artery disease
- People with loss of function mutations and/or decreased ANGPLT3 levels have reduced risk for CVD



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### **ANGPTL3 is Associated with an Increased Risk of CVD**

- ANGPTL3 is a well-established regulator of triglycerides and LDL-C
- Low levels of ANGPTL3 are associated with a lower risk of cardiovascular disease
- There are no approved therapies to specifically lower ANGPTL3 levels
- Vupanorsen, formerly known as AKCEA-ANGPTL3-L<sub>Rx</sub>, is a LICA medicine we designed to reduce ANGPTL3 production
- Pre-clinical studies demonstrated targeted reductions of ANGPTL3 resulted in decreased TG and LDL-C



### Substantial Dose-dependent ANGPTL3 Reductions Observed in Vupanorsen Phase 1/2 Study

- Dose-dependent reductions in ANGPTL3 protein of up to 85% after six weeks of treatment in healthy volunteers
- Treatment also resulted in substantial and dose-dependent reductions in triglycerides, LDL cholesterol, VLDL cholesterol, non-HDL cholesterol, apolipoprotein B and apolipoprotein C-III protein
- Favorable safety and tolerability profile, with no serious adverse events
- These results support vupanorsen as an attractive therapeutic approach



### Vupanorsen (AKCEA-ANGPTL3-L<sub>Rx</sub>)\*

LICA medicine we designed to specifically target ANGPTL3 for reduction of CVD risk

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 Positive topline Phase 2 Data reported in early 2020

• Full Phase 2 data presented at the 2020 European Society of Cardiology and published in the *European Heart Journal* 

 Pfizer to conduct expanded Phase 2b in statin-treated patients with elevated non-HDL-C and triglycerides this year

### **Vupanorsen Phase 2 Study Design**



**The primary endpoint** was mean percentage change in fasting triglycerides from baseline at the primary analysis timepoint of 6 months (Week 25 for Q4W and Week 27 for QW dosing) in each vupanorsen group compared with the pooled placebo group

Secondary endpoints included change from baseline at the primary analysis timepoint in:

- ANGPTL3, TC, LDL-C, HDL-C, VLDL-C/remnant cholesterol, non-HDL-C, apo B, apoC-III, and FFAs
- Glycaemic parameters including HbA<sub>1c</sub> and HOMA-IR
- Hepatic steatosis parameters including hepatic fat fraction (HFF, by MRI), and fatty liver index (FLI)



### **Vupanorsen Phase 2 Results**

Met primary endpoint of significant triglyceride lowering



**Primary Endpoint Analysis:** 

Pairwise comparison between each vupanorsen group and pooled placebo group using an ANCOVA model, with treatment group as a fixed factor and logtransformed baseline triglycerides as a covariate.

Error bars denote the 95% Cl, P-values vs pooled placebo QW=every week, Q4W=every 4 weeks

### **Vupanorsen Phase 2 Met Multiple Secondary Endpoints**

**Dose-dependent reductions in ANGPTL3, apoC-III, VLDL-C, non-HDL-C and total cholesterol** 



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### Vupanorsen Demonstrated a Favorable Safety and Tolerability Profile in Phase 2 Study

	Placebo pooled	Vupanorsen					
	N=27	40 mg Q4W N=26	80 mg Q4W N=26	20 mg QW N=26	Pooled N=78		
Any TEAE <sup>*</sup>	16 (59.3%)	19 (73.1%)	23 (88.5)	23 (88.5)	65 (83.3%)		
Serious TEAE**	0	0	0	1 (3.8%)	1 (1.3%)		
TEAE leading to discontinuation***	0	1 (3.8%)	2 (7.7%)	3 (11.5%)	6 (7.7%)		
TEAE leading to death	0	0	0	0	0		

Treatment period: from the first dose through one dosing interval after the last dose

- \* The most frequent TEAEs : Injection site pruritus (14%) and Injection site erythema (12%) in pooled vupanorsen group
- \*\* Diverticulitis, moderate, not related to the study drug
- \*\* TEAE at injection site (4 patients), elevated transaminases (1 patient), dehydration/acute pre-renal failure (1 patient)



### Positive Vupanorsen (AKCEA-ANGPTL3-L<sub>Rx</sub>) Phase 2 Results and Next Steps

- Primary and multiple secondary endpoints were met with significant reductions in triglyceride levels, additional lipid parameters and ANGPTL3
- **Favorable safety** and **tolerability** profile demonstrated in the study
- Pfizer to initiate a Phase 2b study this year in statin-treated patients with elevated non-HDL-C and triglycerides to determine the optimal dose for Phase 3 cardiovascular outcomes study
  - Multicenter, double-blind, placebo-controlled, dose-escalation study in 260 participants with elevated non-HDL-C and triglycerides that are receiving a stable dose of a statin
  - Three monthly (Q4W) cohorts: 80mg, 120mg, 160mg
  - Four bi-monthly (Q2W) cohorts: 60mg, 80mg, 120mg, 160mg
  - Primary endpoint: Percent change from baseline in non high density lipoprotein cholesterol at week 24



# Lipoprotein(a) Lp(a)

Elevated Lp(a), a major untreated cardiovascular disease risk factor





### Lipoprotein(a)

A highly prevalent untreated risk factor for cardiovascular disease & aortic stenosis



- Lp(a) levels are **genetically determined** at birth
- Elevated Lp(a) levels cause cardiovascular disease through multiple mechanisms
  - Atherogenicity through LDL moiety
  - Anti-fibrinolytic activity
  - Pro-inflammatory effects of oxidized phospholipids
- Elevated levels are recognized as a major untreated cardiovascular risk factor
- > 8 million people worldwide have Lp(a) driven CVD
- No approved pharmacological therapies

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Only pelacarsen (TQJ230, AKCEA-APO(a)-L<sub>Rx</sub>) has demonstrated the ability to selectively and robustly reduce Lp(a) levels in a clinical study

# Strong Evidence Demonstrates Elevated Lp(a) Levels is a Key Driver of Cardiovascular Disease

- Linear relationship between Lp(a) levels and cardiovascular risk
  - Even modest increases in Lp(a) lead to meaningful cardiovascular risk
  - Similar to the risk associated with LDL-C and triglycerides




### **Pelacarsen\***

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LICA medicine we designed to specifically target Lp(a) for reduction of CVD risk

- Phase 3 Lp(a)HORIZON study of Lp(a)driven cardiovascular disease is actively recruiting patients
- First-in-class medicine in development to selectively and robustly reduce Lp(a) levels
- Granted Fast Track Designation by the FDA

# Pelacarsen Phase 2 Study in Patients with Elevated Lp(a) and Established CVD (Completed)

- Multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, dose-ranging study in 286 patients
- Primary objective:
  - Evaluate the safety and tolerability of different doses and dosing regimens of pelacarsen
  - Assess the efficacy of pelacarsen across different doses and dose regimens for reduction of Lp(a) levels
  - Weekly, bi-weekly and monthly dosing being explored in 5 dose cohorts from 20mg to 60mg
- Secondary objective:
  - Evaluate the efficacy of pelacarsen across different doses and dose regimens on serum levels of LDL-C, ApoB and Oxidized Phospholipid
  - Evaluate the pharmacokinetic profile of pelacarsen across different doses and dose regimen

Cohort	Frequency
20 mg	Weekly
20 mg	Bi-weekly
20 mg	Monthly
40 mg	Monthly
60 mg	Monthly

### Pelacarsen Phase 2 Study: ~98% of Patients in the High Dose Group Achieved Lp(a) Levels Below 50 mg/dL



### **Pelacarsen Phase 2 Study**

- Largest, longest study conducted in patients with Lp(a)-driven CVD
- Robust, dose-dependent and durable reductions in Lp(a) levels in patients treated for at least 6 months, with some patients treated for up to 1 year
- Reduced Lp(a) levels below threshold of 50 mg/dL associated with CVD in 98% of patients on 20 mg weekly (equivalent to 80 mg monthly dose)
- Favorable safety and tolerability profile and excellent compliance
  - Comparable discontinuation between the active and placebo groups
- Convenient, once monthly, low volume subcutaneous dose

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# Pelacarsen Phase 3 Lp(a)HORIZON Study

- Multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study in 7,680 patients with elevated Lp(a) levels (≥ 70 mg/dL) and history of CVD (myocardial infarction, ischemic stroke, peripheral artery disease)
- Co-Primary endpoints: 1) time to first major adverse cardiovascular event in patients with Lp(a) levels of ≥ 70 mg/dL or 2) patients with Lp(a) levels of ≥ 90 mg/dL. Significance of either endpoint will be considered a positive trial



# **Factor XI**

#### **Sanjay Bhanot**

Targeting Factor XI reduces thrombosis without an increase in bleeding





# Thrombosis

Remains a leading cause of mortality with a high unmet medical need

- Thrombosis is the formation of blood clots inside blood vessels that can lead to heart attacks, strokes, and pulmonary embolism
- Limitations of existing anticoagulant therapies:
  - Although effective they cannot be safely administered in many patients
  - Risk of bleeding restricts ability to give effective treatment for high-risk patients
  - Discontinuation required prior to surgical procedure
  - Narrow therapeutic index makes it difficult to maintain patients within a defined anticoagulation range and some require routine monitoring
- There is a significant need for a drug that can provide antithrombotic benefit with minimal bleeding risk
- Because of its novel mechanism of action, IONIS-FXI-L<sub>Rx</sub> has the potential to have a benefit-to-risk profile superior to existing anticoagulants
  - Potential to deliver value in a broader array of indications
  - Potential to be more effective than existing drugs in many indications

# Factor XI (FXI) is a Genetically Validated Target

#### • Factor XI contributes to thrombosis:

- Elevated Factor XI levels lead to increased risk of venous (vein) and arterial (artery) thrombosis and higher incidence of stroke<sup>1,2,3</sup>
- Lower Factor XI levels are associated with a reduced incidence of venous thrombosis<sup>4</sup>
- Factor XI deficiency is not associated with spontaneous bleeding<sup>5</sup>
- Inhibition of Factor XI may provide the ability to dissociate the antithrombotic effect of a medicine from bleeding risk
- Preclinical data has demonstrated that Factor XI reduction is associated with decreased thrombosis without increased bleeding<sup>6,7</sup>



1. Meijers et al. (2000) NEJM. 342,696-701. 2. Doggen et al. (2006) Blood. 108, 4045-4051. 3. Siegerink et al. (2014) J Thromb Haemost. 12, 606-613. 4. Salomon et al. (2011) J Thromb Haemost. 105, 269-273. 5. Duga, S. & Salomon, O. (2013) Semin Thromb Hemost. 39, 621-631. 6. van Montfoort et al. (2014) Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol. 34, 1668-1673. 7. Zhang et al. (2010) Blood. 116, 4684-4692.

### Inhibiting Factor XI Activity Reduces Clot Propagation, but NOT Clot Initiation - Therefore Risk of Bleeding is Low



### Selective Antisense Reduction of Factor XI Reduced Thrombosis Without Increased Bleeding



#### Inhibition of Factor XI in Mice: Reduction in Thrombosis Without Increased Bleeding



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# Phase 2 Data with IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> (parent) in Patients Undergoing Total Knee Replacement

Factor XI validated as an attractive anti-thrombotic target



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#### Factor XI Antisense Oligonucleotide for Prevention of Venous Thrombosis

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**Dose-dependent and Sustained** 

# IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> Phase 2 Study in Patients Undergoing Total Knee Replacement – Key Findings

- Patients treated with IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> had robust and sustained decrease in Factor XI activity
- Substantial reduction in incidence of VTE in postoperative TKA patients treated with IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> compared with enoxaparin treatment
  - 7-fold lower incidence of VTE in patients treated with 300 mg IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> compared with enoxaparintreated patients
- Patients treated with IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> experienced numerically fewer bleeding events than with enoxaparin treatment
  - Dissociation between thrombosis and bleeding
- Favorable safety and tolerability profile supported continued clinical development

# **Evaluation of IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> in Patients with End Stage Renal Disease on Hemodialysis**

- ~2 million patients receive dialysis for end stage renal disease (ESRD) globally<sup>1</sup>
  - Prevalence is increasing rapidly

- ESRD patients suffer from numerous thrombotic and bleeding events
  - Risk of stroke is 10x higher than the general population<sup>2</sup>
  - 1 out of every 7 patients will be hospitalized for bleeding within 3 years of starting dialysis<sup>3</sup>



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# **IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> Dose-dependent Reductions in Factor XI** Activity Observed in Phase 2 Study in Patients with ESRD



No treatment related major bleedings observed



1. Clotting events measured between week 6 and week 13 inclusive compared to all post-baseline clotting events prior to week 6.

# **IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> Validated FXI as an Anti-thrombotic Target:**

Provides support to move forward rapidly with LICA

- Safety of IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> demonstrated across multiple studies
  - Phase 1 study: No increase in spontaneous bleeding events
  - Phase 2 TKA study: Substantial reduction in postoperative thrombosis without increased bleeding events compared to standard of care in patients undergoing knee surgery
  - Phase 2 ESRD study: No major bleeding events and results similar to Phase 2 TKA study
- Efficacy of IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> in phase 2 studies
  - Reduction in postoperative thrombotic events
  - Reduction in dialysis circuit clotting events beyond heparin use in ESRD patients
  - FXI activity reduced by 70% or more in all studies
- Data support moving forward with the more potent FXI LICA medicine

# IONIS-FXI-L<sub>Rx</sub>

LICA medicine we designed to specifically target Factor XI (FXI) for the treatment of thrombosis

- LICA technology enables more potent, specific reduction in plasma FXI activity without affecting other coagulation factors
- Same sequence as IONIS-FXI<sub>Rx</sub> (parent FXI compound)
- Phase 1 study completed
- Phase 2b study in patients with End Stage Renal Disease on hemodialysis expected to initiate this year
- Licensed to Bayer

# **IONIS-FXI-L**<sub>Rx</sub> Demonstrated Robust Reductions in FXI Activity & FXI Antigen with No Spontaneous Bleeding in Phase 1 Study

#### Greater than 80% Reduction in FXI Sustained Through Four Month Treatment Period



- Robust and sustained FXI reductions at all doses and regimens; greater than 80% reductions achieved at 80mg monthly dose
- Supports monthly dosing for Phase 2/3 study
- Well tolerated at all doses and dose regimens
  - No SAEs reported
  - All AEs were mild or moderate

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### **Advancing Thrombosis Program**

- Bayer is expected to initiate a Phase 2b study with IONIS-FXI-L<sub>Rx</sub> in patients with End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) on hemodialysis in 2020
  - Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, dose-escalation study in ~300 ESRD patients
  - Primary objective is to evaluate safety, including bleeding events
  - Additional objectives: evaluate PK and PD
- Additional anti-thrombotic targets in development



# TTR Cardiomyopathy and Treatment Resistant Hypertension

**Richard Geary** 





# **TTR Cardiomyopathy**

#### **Richard Geary**

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- Fatal disease affecting over 240,000 patients worldwide<sup>1,2</sup>
- Phase 3 CARDIO-TTRansform study of LICA medicine in patients with TTR-Cardiomyopathy underway

# TTR Amyloidosis (ATTR)

A devastating and fatal disease

- Characterized by the formation of TTR amyloid deposits leading to multi-organ failure<sup>1,2</sup>
- Patients suffer from progressive neuropathy, cardiac disease, nephropathy and gastrointestinal symptoms
- Progressive disease resulting in a rapid decline in quality of life and a 3-15 year life expectancy<sup>3</sup> and 2-5 years with cardiac involvement<sup>4</sup>



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# Multiple Ongoing Investigator Initiated Studies Evaluating Inotersen in ATTR Cardiomyopathy Patients

### • Dr. Rodney Falk study at Brigham and Women's Hospital

- Up to 50 patients
- Open-label up to 2 years, initiated 2019
- Objectives
  - Safety and tolerability
  - Efficacy vs. patient history and disease natural history

#### Benson & Dasgupta Study at the Indiana University School of Medicine

- Up to 45 patients
- Open-label up to 5 years, initiated 2014
- Objectives
  - Safety and tolerability
  - Efficacy vs. disease natural history

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# Inotersen in Patients with TTR Cardiomyopathy

Benson & Dasgupta Investigator Initiated Study (Indiana University School of Medicine)

- Compassionate use trial started in August 2014 to evaluate the safety and tolerability of inotersen in patients with TTR cardiomyopathy
- Long-term experience
  - 27 actively enrolled patients (February 2020) with five patients on treatment for more than 5 years
- Favorable safety and tolerability profile
  - No severe thrombocytopenia or drug-related renal adverse events
- Demonstrated efficacy at 3 years compared to natural history
  - Improved 6-minute walk distance
  - Reduced left ventricular mass
  - Decrease in mean BNP compared to baseline



Noel R. Dasgupta, Stacy M. Rissing, Jessica Smith, Jeesun Jung & Merrill D. Benson (2020) Inotersen therapy of transthyretin amyloid cardiomyopathy, Amyloid, 27:1, 52-58, DOI: <u>10.1080/13506129.2019.1685487</u>

# AKCEA-TTR-L<sub>Rx</sub>

LICA medicine we designed to specifically target TTR for the treatment of ATTR-Cardiomyopathy  Phase 3 CARDIO-TTRansform of LICA medicine in patients with ATTR-cardiomyopathy underway

 Robust target reduction demonstrated in Phase 1 study

Data expected in 2023



### AKCEA-TTR-L<sub>Rx</sub>: A Follow-On Medicine to TEGSEDI that Expands Our ATTR Franchise

- AKCEA-TTR-L<sub>Rx</sub> utilizes our highly advanced LICA chemistry, providing high potency with greatly improved convenience and tolerability
- Robust target reduction and positive safety profile demonstrated in healthy volunteers
  - Robust TTR reductions of greater than 90% demonstrated
  - Favorable safety and tolerability observed
- Enrolling Phase 3 studies in patients with all forms of ATTR



### **AKCEA-TTR-L<sub>Rx</sub>: A Follow-On Medicine to TEGSEDI that Expands Our ATTR Franchise**



# AKCEA-TTR-L<sub>Rx</sub>

#### Dose-dependent reductions in TTR levels in healthy volunteers

#### Phase 1 Study in Healthy Volunteers

- Achieved a mean reduction in TTR levels of 94% in highest dose group
- Adverse events (AEs) were mild
- No AEs led to an interruption in dosing
- There were no severe adverse events in patients treated with AKCEA-TTR-L<sub>Rx</sub>





# **AKCEA-TTR-L<sub>Rx</sub> CARDIO-TTRansform**



#### Phase 3 study in patients with ATTR-cardiomyopathy underway

- A global, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study in up to 750 patients with hereditary or wildtype TTR amyloid cardiomyopathy receiving monthly subcutaneous AKCEA-TTR-L<sub>Rx</sub> or placebo
- Primary endpoint: Cardiovascular death and frequency of cardiovascular clinical events at week 120
- Secondary endpoints:
  - Change from baseline at 120 weeks: 6MWT, patient-reported outcomes (KCCQ), rate of CV death and clinical events
  - Exploratory endpoints: Echo, biomarkers



# Treatment Resistant Hypertension

A leading cause of cardiovascular disease





# Treatment-Resistant Hypertension is a Major Contributor to Cardiovascular Disease

- Hypertension is defined as blood pressure (BP) >140/90 (systolic/diastolic) and if untreated can increase the risk fatal and non-fatal cardiovascular events (death, heart disease, stroke)
- TRH is defined as BP >140/90 despite the use of 3 or more different antihypertensive medications of different mechanisms<sup>1</sup>
- ~75 million adults in the U.S. have hypertension, of which, ~5 million have treatment resistant hypertension (TRH)
- People with TRH have up to a 3-fold increased risk of having fatal and non-fatal cardiovascular events relative to those with controlled hypertension



1. Vemulapalli et al, Proceedings from Duke Resistant HTN Think Tank AHJ 2014. Judd E, Calhoun DA.

# IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub>

LICA medicine we designed to specifically target AGT for the treatment of people with treatment resistant hypertension

- LICA medicine to inhibit the production of angiotensinogen to decrease blood pressure
- Superior efficacy and tolerability compared to ACE & ARB demonstrated in preclinical studies
- Results from two Phase 2 studies in patients with hypertension expected in 2020

# IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub>: Designed to Reduce Angiotensinogen to Decrease Blood Pressure in TRH Patients

- IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub> targets AGT in the liver in the most upstream substrate in renin-angiotensinaldosterone system (RAAS), which is a well-established pathway of treating hypertension and complications of hypertension
  - AGT is upstream of angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) and angiotensin receptor blockers (ARBs) in the RAAS pathway
- IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub> is designed to reduce hepatic AGT, while maintaining renal compensatory mechanisms by minimizing inhibition on renal ANGII
  - The therapeutic index of inhibitors targeting downstream components of RAAS that act in the kidney is limited due to their propensity to hyperkalemia and acute renal failure (ARF) in some patients
  - A liver-targeting approach is predicted to have a superior therapeutic index



# Ionis' Robust Development Program Targeting Treatment Resistant Hypertension

- In a pre-clinical model of a hypertensive rat, we saw robust blood pressure lowering and up to 90% reductions in AGT
- Evaluating IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub> in two Phase 2 studies with data expected in 2020
  - Mild hypertension: 25 patients with controlled HTN on 2 medications, one of which is an ACE inhibitor or ARB
  - Uncontrolled hypertension: Up to 30 patients with uncontrolled HTN on 2-3 medications, one of which is an ACE inhibitor or ARB



# **Evaluating IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub> in Two Phase 2 Clinical Studies with Data Expected in 2020**

#### Phase 2 study in patients with mild HTN

- 25 patients with controlled HTN on 2 medications, one of which is an ACE or ARB, washed out and treated with 80 mg/wk IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub> or placebo subcutaneous injections
- **Objectives**: AGT lowering, SBP lowering, safety and tolerability (hyperkalemia, hypotension, ARF)
- **Exploratory**: Evaluate pharmacokinetics and RAAS analytes

#### Phase 2 study in patients with uncontrolled HTN

- Up to 30 patients with uncontrolled HTN on 2-3 medications, one of which is an ACE or ARB, treated with 80 mg/wk IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub> or placebo subcutaneous injections
- **Objectives**: AGT lowering, SBP lowering, safety and tolerability (hyperkalemia, hypotension, ARF)
- **Exploratory**: Evaluate pharmacokinetics and RAAS analytes



### **IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub> Program Summary and Next Steps**

- In pre-clinical studies, reduction of AGT by IONIS-AGT-L<sub>Rx</sub> results in superior efficacy & tolerability compared ACE inhibitor or ARB<sup>1</sup>
- Data from both Phase 2 studies expected this year



1. Mullick, et al. BP Lowering and Safety Improvements with Liver Angiotensinogen Inhibition in Models of Hypertension and Kidney Injury. Hypertension 2017

# Ionis: Leading the way in targeting cardiovascular diseases

**Brett Monia** 


## Investing in All Aspects of our Technology to Further Increase our Impact on the Treatment of Human Diseases

#### INVESTMENTS

IMPACT

Improved Drug Candidate Selection Processes

**Human Genomics Investments** 

**New Routes of Delivery** 

Medicinal Chemistry (e.g. LICA)

#### Improved drug discovery efficiency

- Improved overall drug performance
- Novel target identification
- Improved drug discovery efficiency (e.g. patient selection, biomarkers, disease natural history)
- Increased probability for clinical success
- Even more patient convenience (e.g. oral)
- Opens up new target organs/cell types (e.g. pulmonary, ocular)
- Even more patient convenience (e.g. monthly, quarterly dosing)
- Opens up new target organs/cell types (e.g. cardiac, muscle, immune)
- Enhanced overall safety and efficacy performance

### **Next Wave of Potential Commercial Products**

Anticipated marketing applications for cardiovascular disease medicines through 2025 and		ION363 FUS-ALS	IONIS-FXI-L <sub>Rx</sub> ESRD
		AKCEA-APOCIII-L <sub>Rx</sub> Severe hypertriglyceridemia	ION541 Sporadic ALS
beyond		ION373 Alexander disease	IONIS-TMPRSS6-L <sub>Rx</sub> β-thalassemia
		IONIS-GHR-L <sub>Rx</sub> Acromegaly	IONIS-HBV <sub>Rx</sub> Hepatitis B virus infection
	AKCEA-APOCIII-L <sub>Rx</sub> <i>F</i> CS	IONIS-C9 <sub>Rx</sub> C9-ALS	Vupanorsen (AKCEA-ANGPTL3-L CV/metabolic disease
	<b>Tominersen</b> (IONIS-HTT <sub>Rx</sub> ) <i>Huntington's disease</i>	IONIS-PKK-L <sub>Rx</sub> Hereditary angioedema	ION716 Prion diseases
Tofersen (IONIS-SOD1 <sub>Rx</sub> ) <i>SOD1-ALS</i>	AKCEA-TTR-L <sub>Rx</sub> hATTR polyneuropathy	AKCEA-TTR-L <sub>Rx</sub> ATTR cardiomyopathy	<b>Pelacarsen</b> (AKCEA-APO(a)-L <sub>Rx</sub> ) <i>Cardiovascular disease</i>
021			<b>2025</b> and

# **Investor Day 2020**

Ionis to host Investor Day 2020 in early December





## **Q&A Session**



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A commitment to science, to medicine and to patients