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**Neurological
Disease Pipeline
Webcast**



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Ionis: The Leader in RNA-Targeted Therapeutics

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Today's Agenda

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The Impact of Antisense on the Treatment of Neurological Diseases	Merit Cudkowicz
Ionis – Drug Discovery and Development Leaders in Neurological Diseases	Frank Bennett
SPINRAZA – The Standard of Care for SMA	Frank Bennett
TEGSEDI – Now the Medicine of Choice for Many People with hATTR PN	Brett Monia
Tofersen (IONIS-SOD1 _{Rx}) & BIIB078 (IONIS-C9 _{Rx}) Potential Breakthrough Medicines for ALS	Frank Bennett
IONIS-HTT _{Rx} (RG6042) Potential Breakthrough Medicine for Huntington's Disease & IONIS-MAPT _{Rx} a Potential Breakthrough Medicine for Alzheimer's and Frontotemporal Dementia	Holly Kordasiewicz
Next Neurodegenerative Transformative Medicines	Eric Swayze
Ionis – Delivering Value Today and in the Future	Stan Crooke
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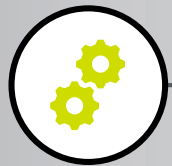
Ionis: Purposefully Designed to Maximize Value for Patients and Shareholders



Create a better, more efficient drug discovery platform



Leader in new, innovation-centered business model



Maximize value of each medicine; implement optimal commercialization strategy



Ionis: The Leader in RNA-Targeted Therapeutics

- **Antisense:** A novel and more efficient drug discovery platform
- **Rapidly** incorporate the advances in the technology into our pipeline
- **Focusing** on bringing maximum value to the patients who need it the most
- **Focus** on the truly novel molecular targets that revolutionize therapy
- **Constantly** expand and advance our pipeline in both rare and common diseases
- **Continuing** to retain an ever greater fraction of commercial revenues

Ionis: Delivering Sustained Revenue Growth Driven by a Pipeline of Transformative Medicines

Pioneer of
RNA technology
Novel business
model
Culture of **YES**

30 years advancing
technology
Ever-**better**
performance
Greater
commercial
opportunities

3 commercial
medicines
40+ in development
10+ phase 3
potentially in **2020**
4+ phase 3
planned in **2019**

Ionis' Antisense is Emerging as the Dominant Drug Discovery Platform for Neurological Diseases

- **Our** technology is broadly enabling and has been validated in the clinic and commercially
- **We** are continuing to advance our technology for neurological diseases
- **We** have discovered and developed two breakthrough commercial medicines
- **We** have advanced a large pipeline of medicines for rare and common neurological diseases that continues to grow
- **Ionis-owned** neurological pipeline is growing and exciting

Chief of Neurology

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Massachusetts General Hospital



Tremendous Unmet Need in Neurology for Effective Therapies

- Neurological Disorders account for major mortality and morbidity globally
- First time addressing this need with transformative medicines
- **Huge Leap Forward in Treating Neurological Disorders**
- Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) - enormous impact
- Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)
 - We now have biological targets in familial and sporadic ALS that can be modified in people
 - This is extraordinary
 - No longer will be considered untreatable

Targeted Approaches to Neurodegenerative Disorders Such as ALS, HD, PD and AD Have a High Chance of Success

- Ionis has a targeted approach to many neurological diseases
 - ALS: SOD1, C9
 - Huntington's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Alzheimer's Disease, Spinal Cerebellar Ataxias & Frontotemporal Dementias
 - Several medicines in discovery to address the sporadic form of these diseases
- We now can identify genetically those targets that drive the disease process
- Targeting the cause of disease upstream has a much higher probability of success
- We can also start to think about prevention of disorders

Ionis: Leading the Discovery and Development of Medicines to Treat Neurological Diseases

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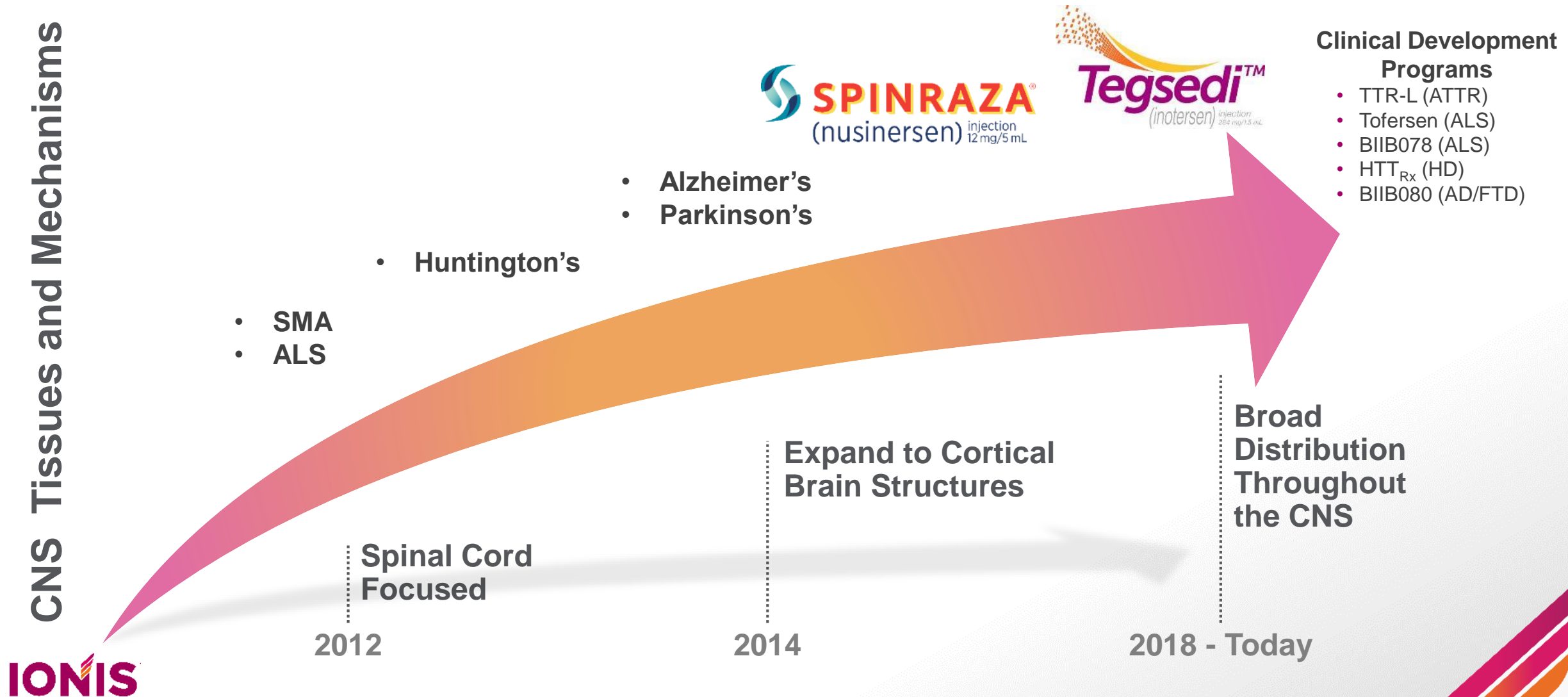
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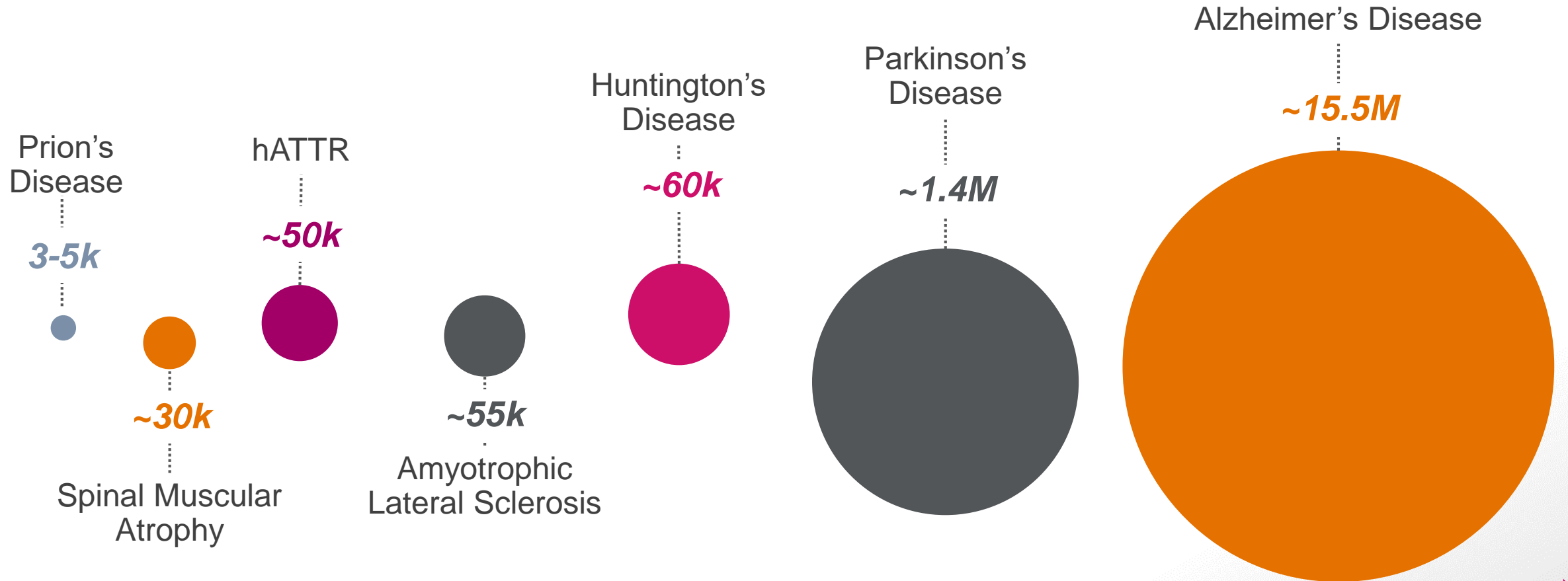
Neurological Disease Drug Discovery and Development Strategy

- **Identify** the cell types and brain regions of the nervous system in which antisense medicines work
 - **Result:** Antisense shown to work well in all cell types and most brain regions
- **Focus** on bringing the highest value to patients with the greatest need
 - **Identify** the optimal organization to develop and commercialize each of our medicines to get them to patients as quickly as possible
- **Leverage** our partners expertise and resources to enhance our capabilities
- **Expand** our Ionis-owned pipeline of medicines for neurological disease by selecting **novel** targets with the potential to **revolutionize** treatment

Significant Growth in Understanding CNS Distribution and Mechanisms of Action of Antisense Medicines



Advances in Knowledge Support Expanding Antisense Medicines to Common Diseases



POTENTIAL PATIENT POPULATIONS

Ionis' Antisense Optimized the Platform for Neurological Diseases

- **Address** previously undruggable targets
- **Broad** distribution throughout the CNS
- **Activity** in all major brain regions
- **Activity** in all CNS cell types (e.g. neurons, astrocytes, microglia, oligodendrocytes)
- **Durable** effects in the CNS
- **Favorable** safety and tolerability profile in the CNS
- **Continuous** advancement in our technology

Ionis Programs Highlighted at AAN Covering All Major Brain Regions and Central Nervous System

SPINRAZA

Spinal Muscular Atrophy

TEGSEDI

hATTR

IONIS-HTT_{Rx} (RG6042)

Huntington's Disease

Tofersen

(IONIS-SOD1_{Rx})

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis

Prion

Prion Disease



Breakthrough Neurological Commercial Medicines Bringing Significant Value to Patients Today



- The **standard-of-care for all forms of SMA**
- **Blockbuster** medicine with more than **\$3 billion** in global sales since launch in December 2016
- Commercialized by Biogen, a leader in treatments for neurological and neurodegenerative diseases



- **Multi-country launch is going well** through our commercial affiliate, Akcea
- Preparing to **expand into new jurisdictions**
- Positioned to **add growth** in commercial revenue



The First and Only Treatment for All Forms of Spinal Muscular Atrophy

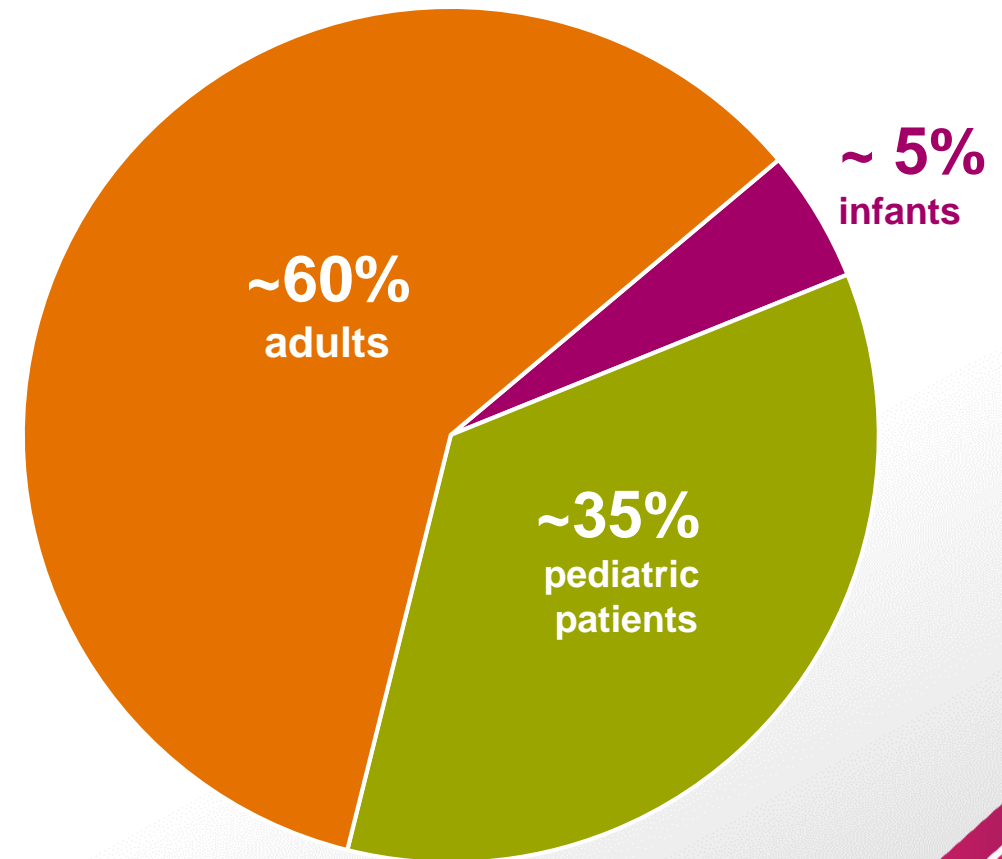
SPINRAZA approved in over **40** countries

- Formal reimbursement in place in **30** countries[^]
- **> 7,500** patients now on therapy worldwide*

Biogen has continued to increase the number of SMA patients on therapy

- **~50%** of infant and pediatric patients on therapy in the U.S.
- In Q1 2019, **~50%** of new starts were adult (18+) SMA patients, the largest patient segment in the U.S.[^]

SMA Historical Prevalence



SPINRAZA Continues to Demonstrate Benefit in Infantile Onset SMA



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Pre-symptomatic treatment results in vast **majority** of patients achieving motor milestones more consistent with **normal development**

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* At a median age of 26 months at last visit

NURTURE Study: Many Infants Treated Pre-Symptomatically Achieving Motor Milestones in Timeframes Consistent with Normal Development

Durable Improvement in Patients*



Study of SPINRAZA in pre-symptomatic infants

100%
Alive

NONE
Required tracheostomy
or permanent ventilation

100%
Able to sit without
support

88%
Able to walk either
with assistance or
independently

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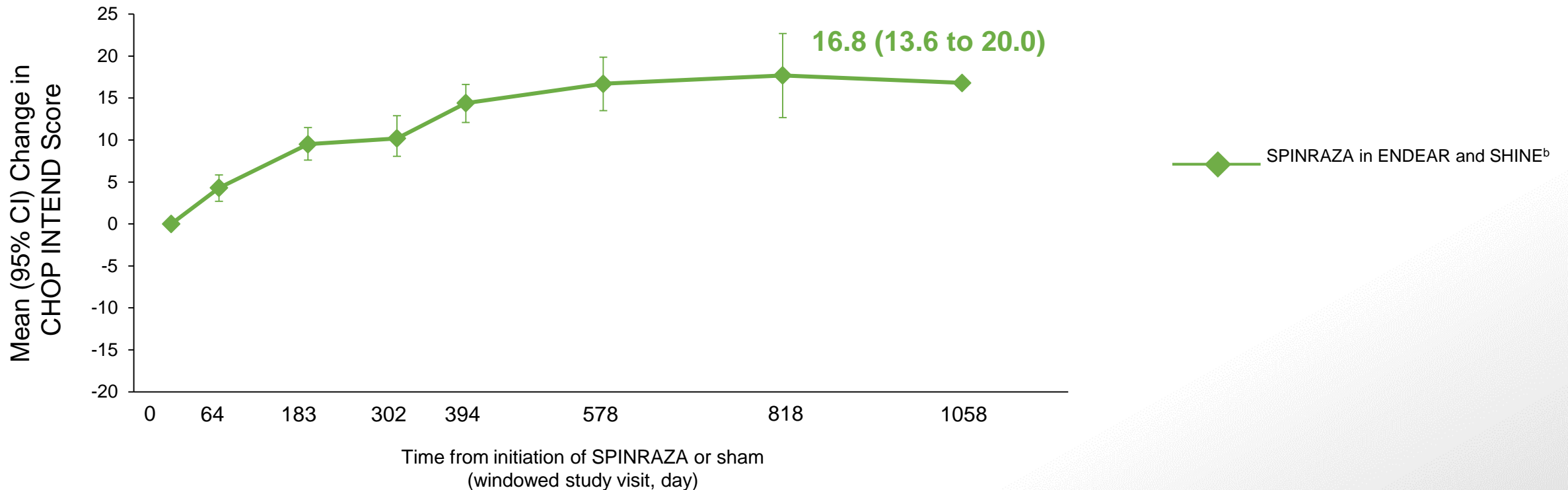
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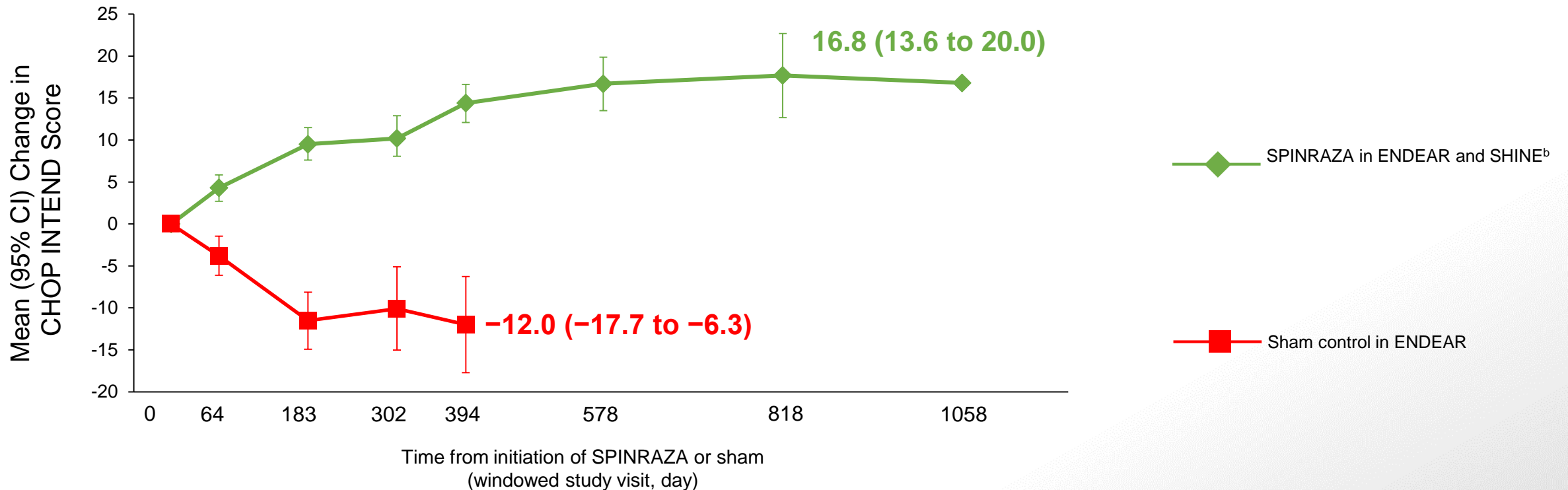
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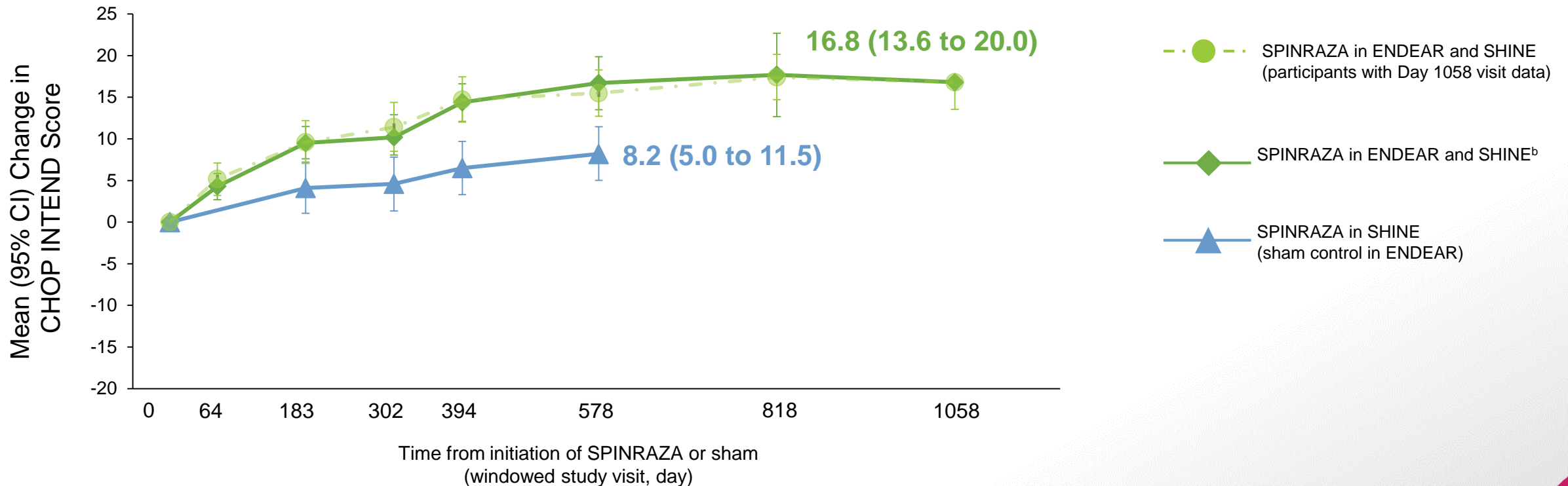
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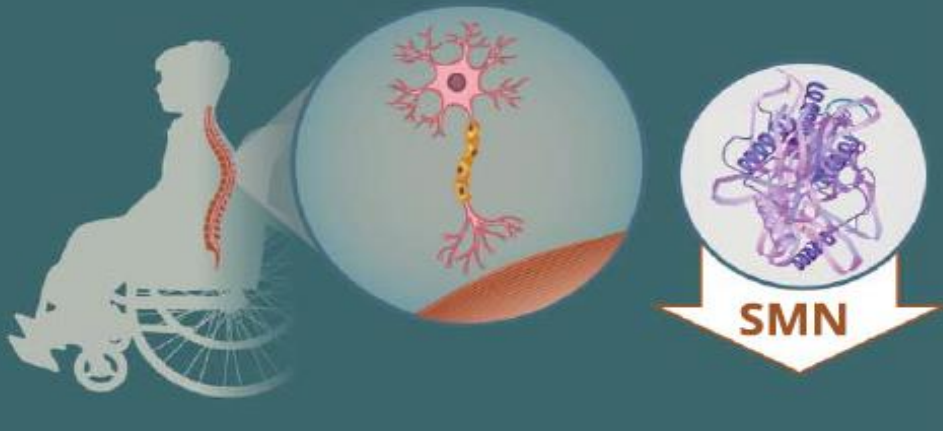
Long-Term SPINRAZA Treatment Improved Motor Function and Stabilized Disease in Children with Later-Onset SMA



Nusinersen in later-onset spinal muscular atrophy Long-term results from the phase 1/2 studies

Basil T. Darras, MD, Claudia A. Chiriboga, MD, MPH, Susan T. Iannaccone, MD, Kathryn J. Swoboda, MD, FACMG, Jacqueline Montes, PT, EdD, NCS, Laurence Mignon, PhD, Shuting Xia, MS, C. Frank Bennett, PhD, Kathie M. Bishop, PhD, Jeremy M. Shefner, MD, PhD, Allison M. Green, PhD, Peng Sun, PhD, Ishir Bhan, MD, MPH, Sarah Gheuens, MD, PhD, Eugene Schneider, MD, Wildon Farwell, MD, MPH, and Darryl C. De Vivo, MD, on behalf of the ISIS-396443-CS2/ISIS-396443-CS12 Study Groups

Spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) is characterized by progressive muscular atrophy and weakness.



Mean change from baseline over ~3 years of treatment

Motor assesment	SMA Type II	SMA Type III
Hammersmith Functional Motor Scale-Expanded score	+10.8 points	+1.8 points
Upper Limb Module score	+4.0 points	NR*
Six-Minute Walk Test distance	NR*	+92.0 points

No children discontinued treatment due to adverse events.

The First Choice and Trusted Leader in SMA Therapy

SMA BEFORE SPINRAZA

Most common genetic
cause of infant death



SMA AFTER SPINRAZA The Standard-of-Care

Most babies achieving normal
milestones with
pre-symptomatic treatment

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Continuing to Generate Data Further Validating SPINRAZA is Transforming SMA

TEGSEDI™: A Transformative Medicine for the Treatment of Patients with hATTR Amyloidosis with Polyneuropathy

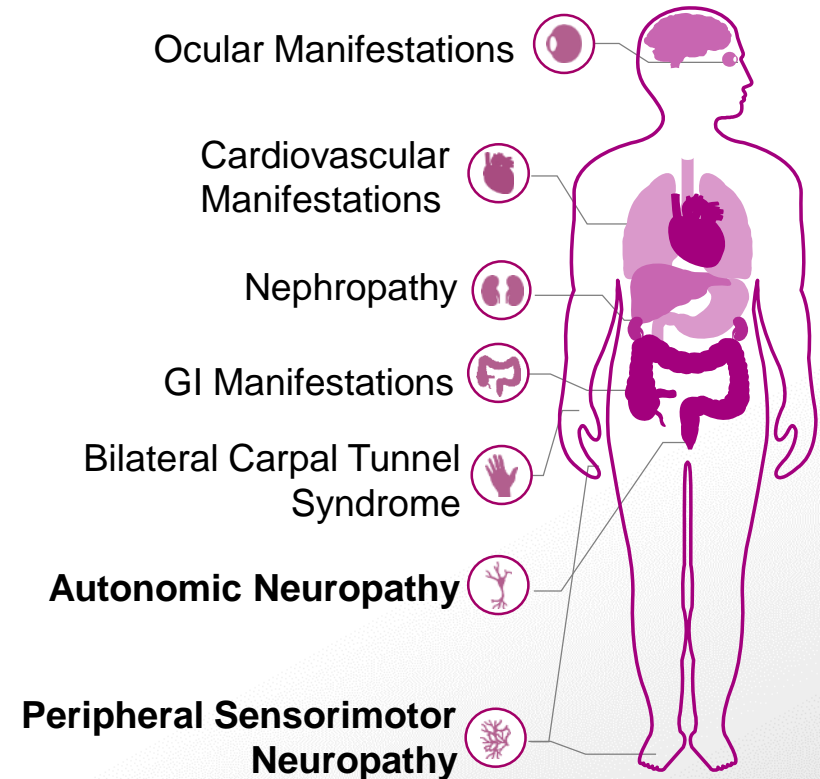
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Chief Operating Officer



Hereditary Transthyretin (hATTR) Amyloidosis Can Cause Peripheral Sensorimotor and Autonomic Neuropathy

- hATTR amyloidosis is a rare, progressive, and fatal disease that results from buildup of misfolded transthyretin (TTR) protein in major organs and organ systems^{1,2}
- Patients typically live 3–15 years³, but with cardiac involvement only 2–5 years⁴
- Patients experience significant disease burden, morbidity, and a rapid decline in quality of life; symptoms impact multiple aspects of daily life⁵⁻⁸

hATTR amyloidosis affects many organ systems^{1,9}



GI, gastrointestinal.

1. Conceição I et al. *J Peripher Nerv Syst.* 2016;21:5-9. 2. Ando Y et al. *Orphanet J Rare Dis.* 2013;8:31. 3. Gertz MA. *Am J Manag Care.* 2017;23:S107-S112. 4. Maurer MS et al. *Circulation.* 2017;135:1357-1377. 5. Coelho T et al. *Muscle Nerve.* 2017;55(3):323-332. 6. Adams D et al. *Orphanet J Rare Dis.* 2015;10(suppl 1):P58. 7. Amyloidosis Foundation. http://www.amyloidosisupport.org/support_groups/fam_isabell_attr.pdf. Accessed November 15, 2018. 8. Stewart M et al. *Neurol Ther.* 2018;7:349-364. 9. Sperry B et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol.* 2018;72:2040-2050.

Launched in the U.S. and EU

- ✓ World's first RNA-targeted therapeutic for patients with hereditary transthyretin amyloidosis (hATTR) with polyneuropathy
- ✓ The only RNA-targeted therapeutic that offers the convenience of a once per week self administered subcutaneous injection
- ✓ Multi-country launch going well
 - Treated patients from early access and open label extension programs, as well as naïve patients
 - Received reimbursement from both public and private payers in the U.S.



TegsediTM
(inotersen) injection
284 mg/1.5 mL





Showing Substantial Benefit to Patients Across a Wide Range of Clinical Studies

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TEGSEDI Treatment Produces Durable Benefit in NEURO-TTR OLE Study – Key Messages from Two Year Update

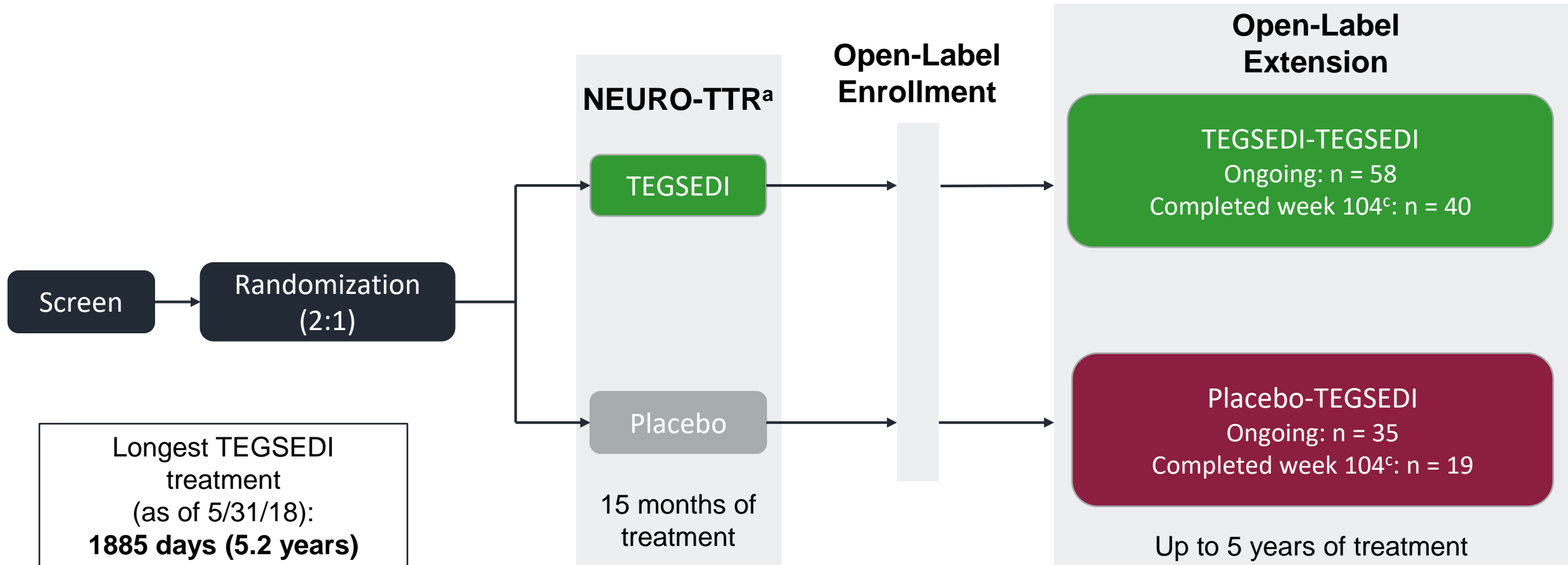
- **Long-term** treatment resulted in continued **efficacy** as measured by both neurological disease progression and **quality of life**
- Treatment of patients previously treated with placebo resulted in **rapid** and **sustained** disease **stabilization**
- **Earlier** treatment results in better **efficacy** outcomes
- **Favorable** benefit risk profile with exposure >5 years
 - No new **safety** concerns observed



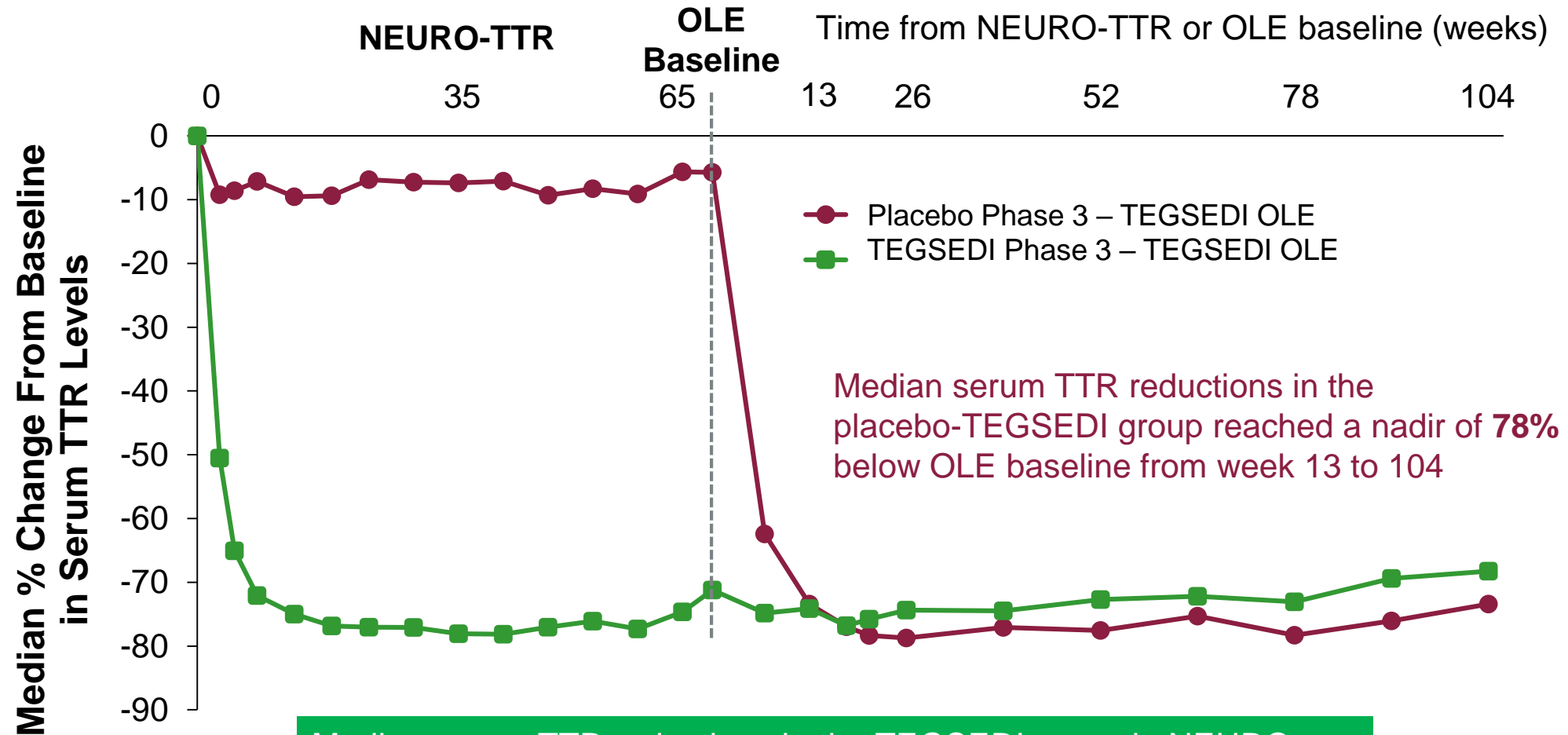
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NEURO-TTR and OLE Study Design (as of May 31, 2018 – Two Year Update)



TEGSEDI Induced Rapid and Substantial Reduction in Serum TTR Levels

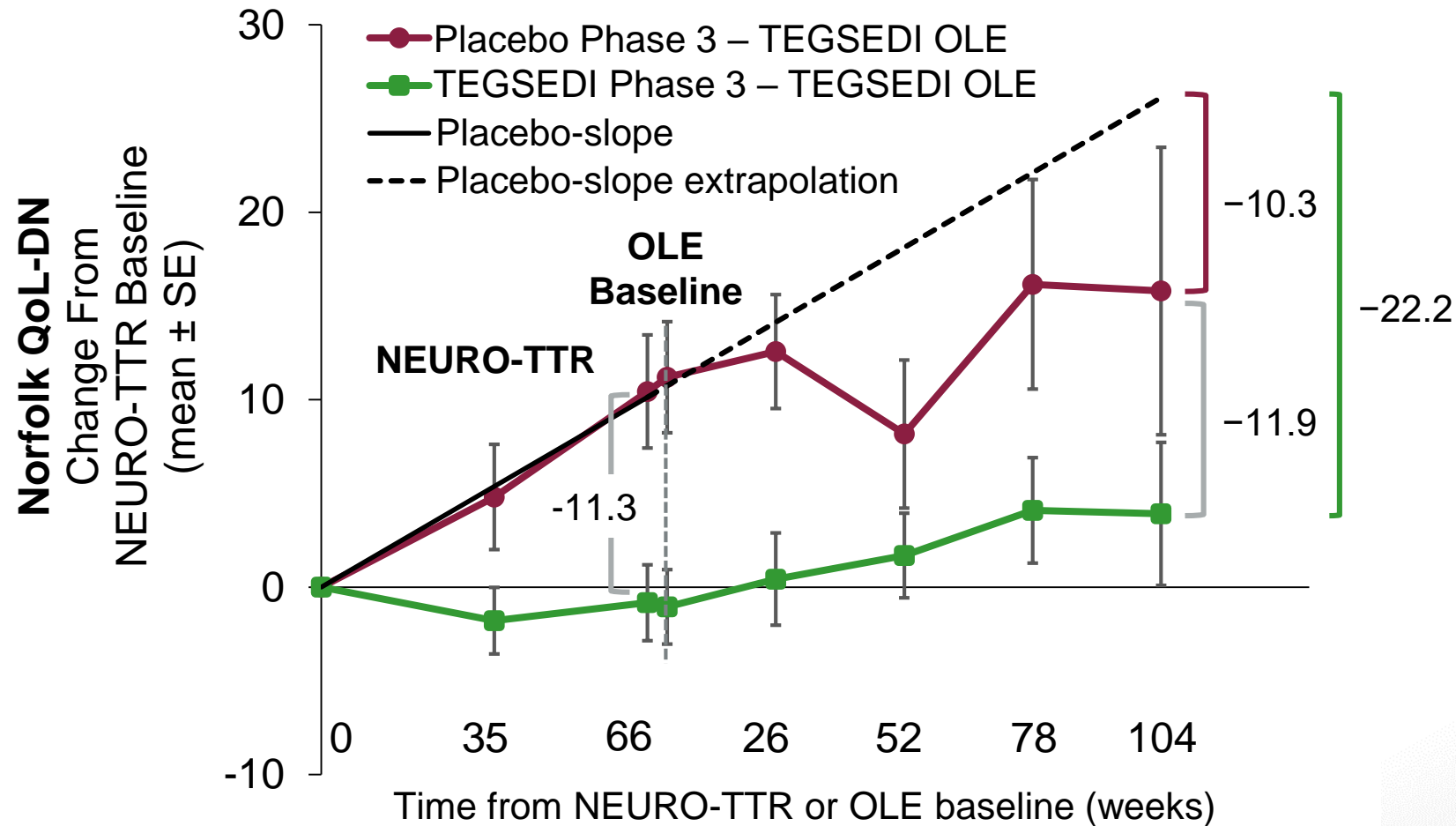


Median serum TTR reductions in the TEGSEDI group in NEURO-TTR reached a nadir of **79%** below baseline from week 13 to 65¹

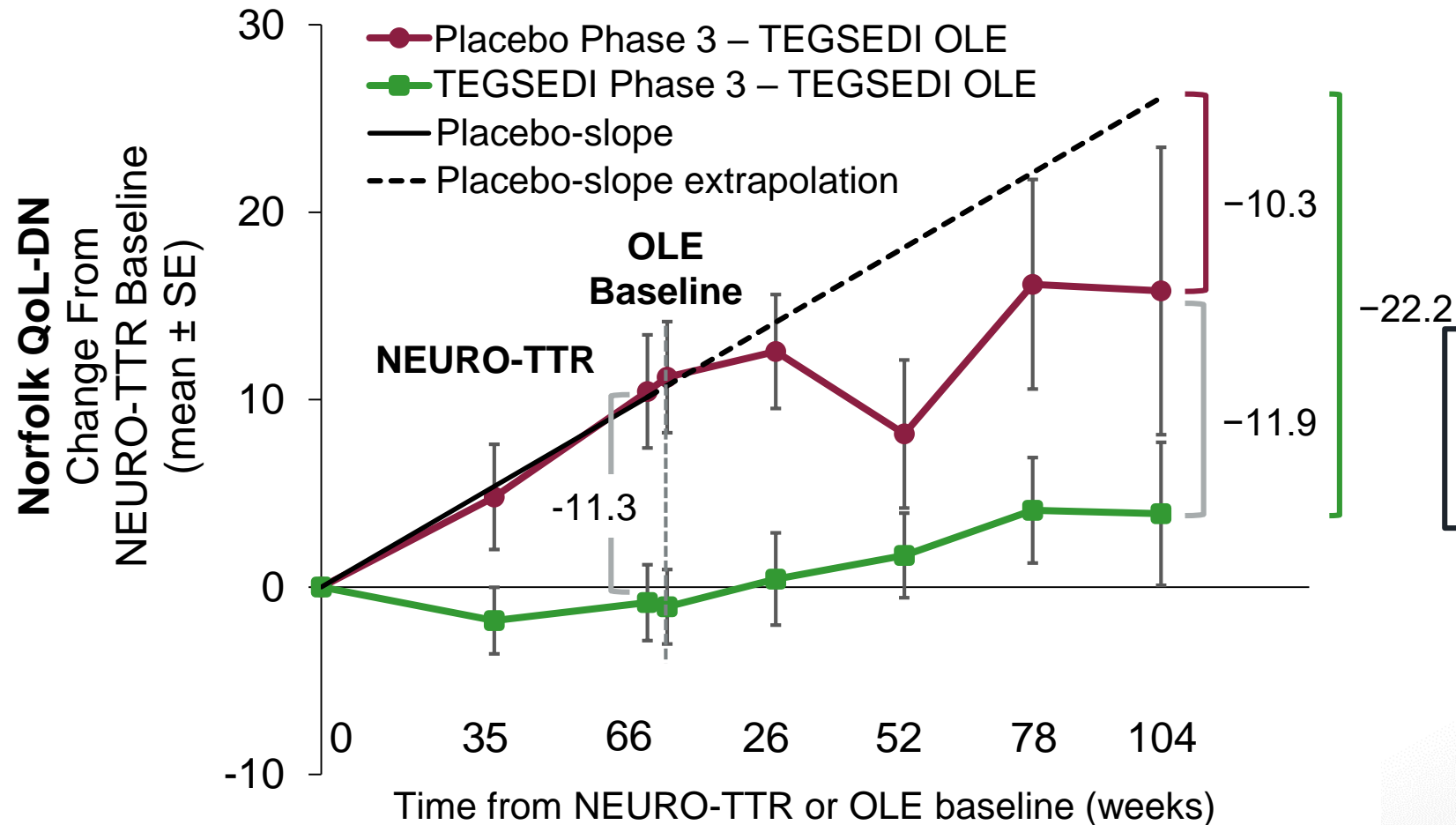


OLE, open-label extension; TTR, transthyretin.
 1. Benson MD et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2018;379(1):22-31.

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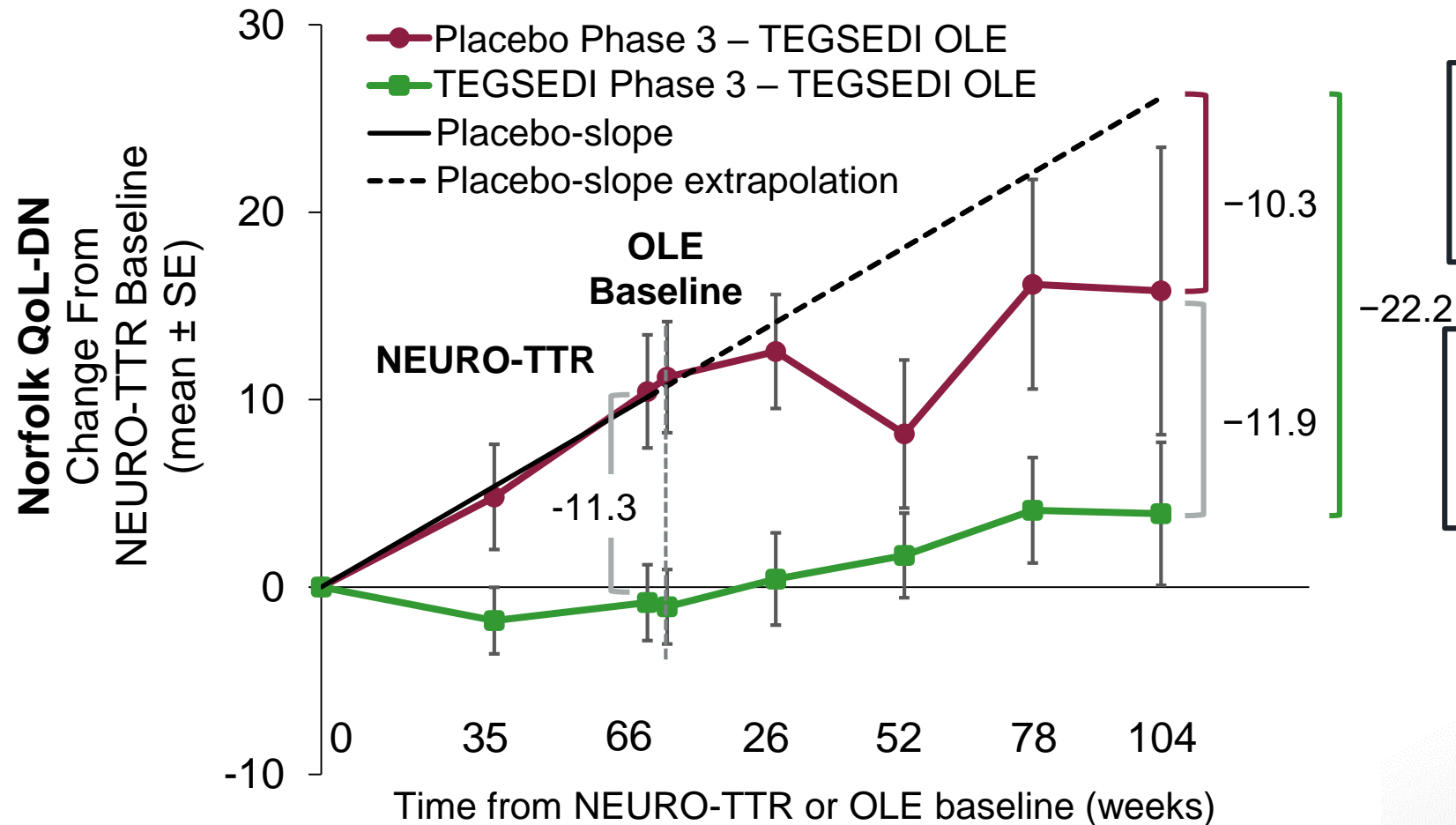


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46% of TEGSEDI-TEGSEDI patients had a <0 point score change from NEURO-TTR baseline^b to OLE week 104

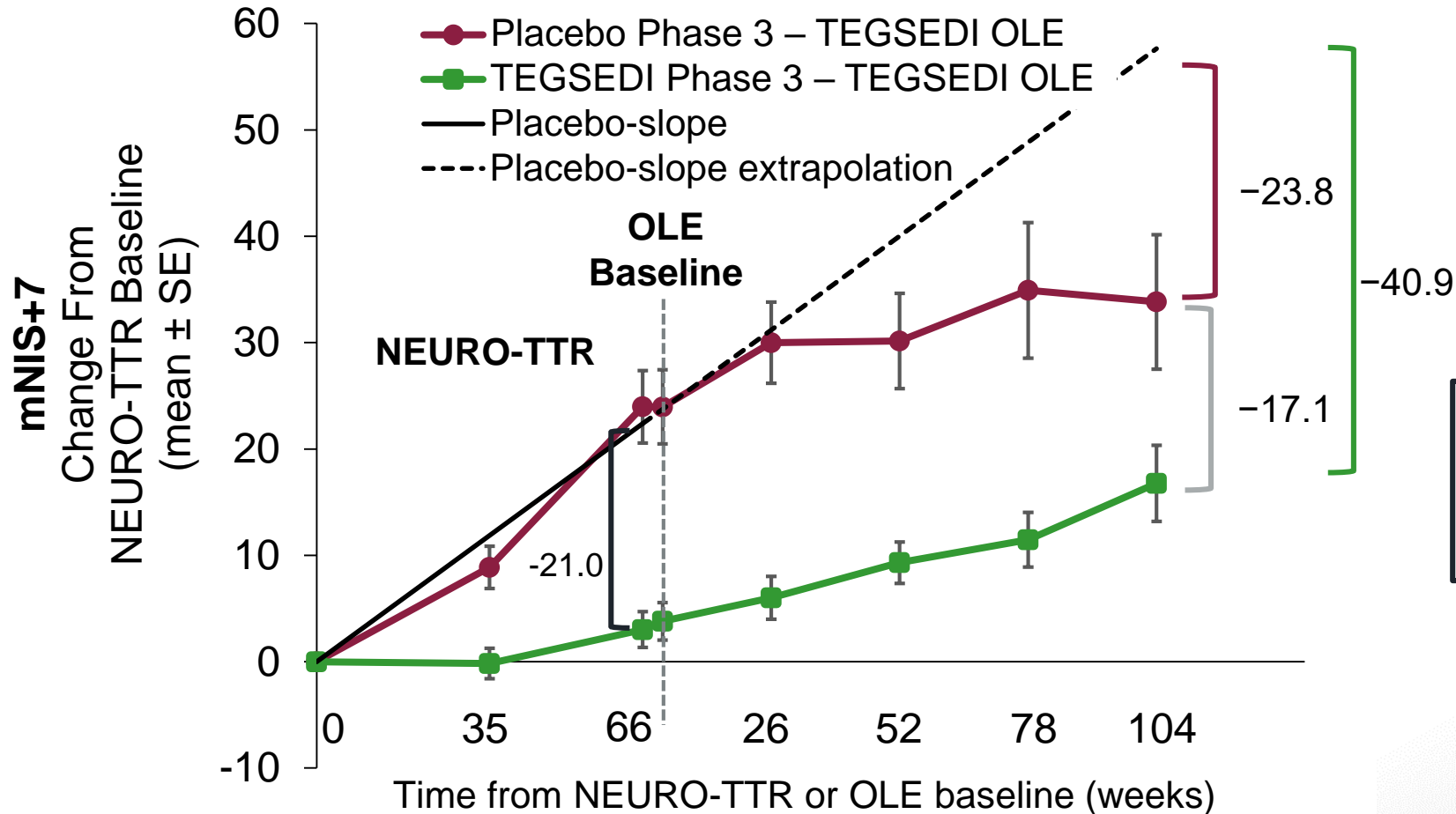
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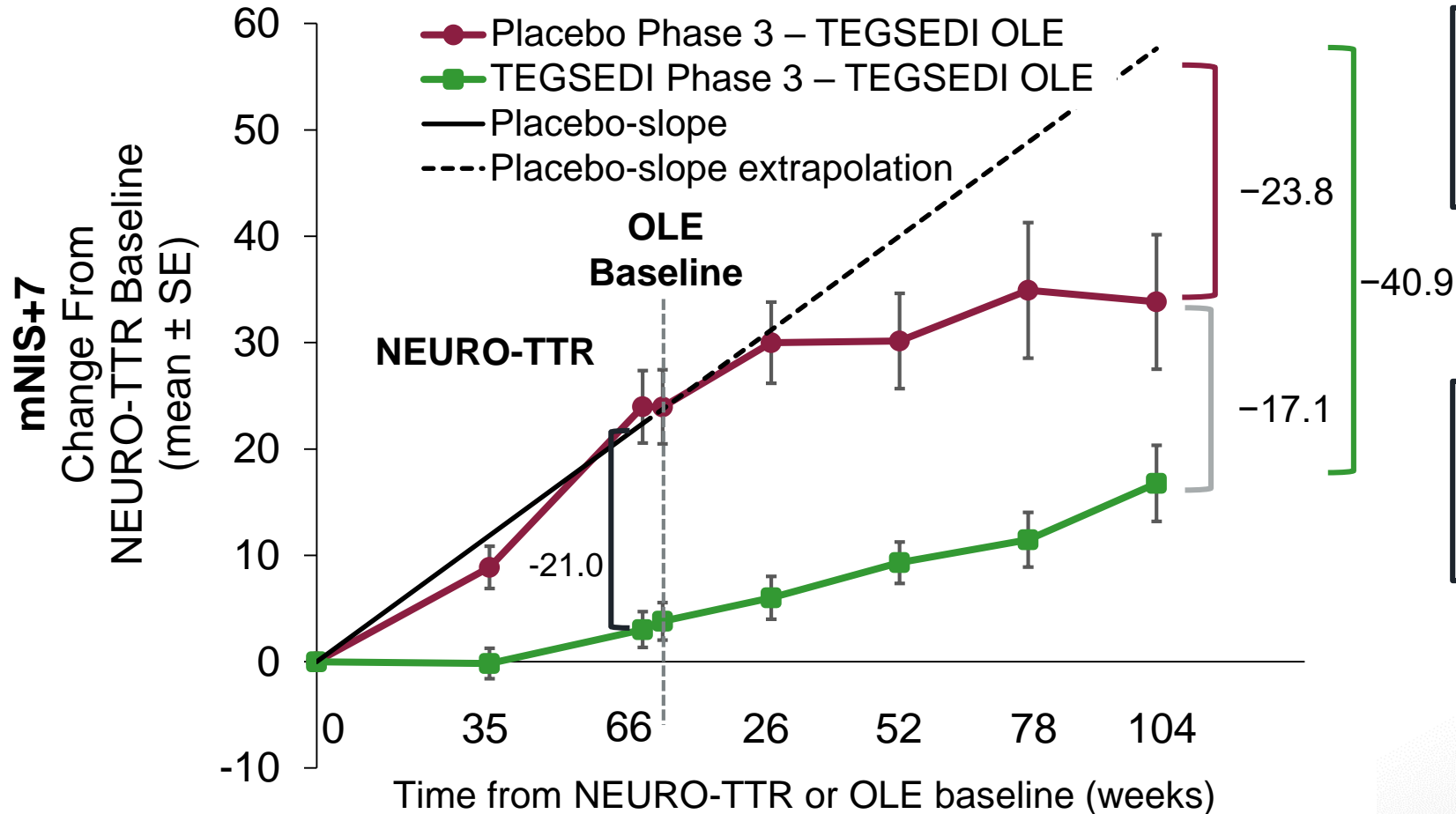
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Patients Who Switched From Placebo to TEGSEDI Showed Sustained Reduction in Neuropathy Progression



24% of TEGSEDI-TEGSEDI patients had a <0 point score change from NEURO-TTR baseline^b to OLE week 104^a

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TEGSEDI in Patients with TTR Cardiomyopathy

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

Single center, investigator trial in 33 patients (as of 10/18) with TTR cardiomyopathy

- Wild-type and hereditary ATTR-CM
- Open-label design
- Up to 5 years of treatment

Objective is to evaluate long-term safety and clinical efficacy (vs NH data) in patients with ATTR cardiomyopathy

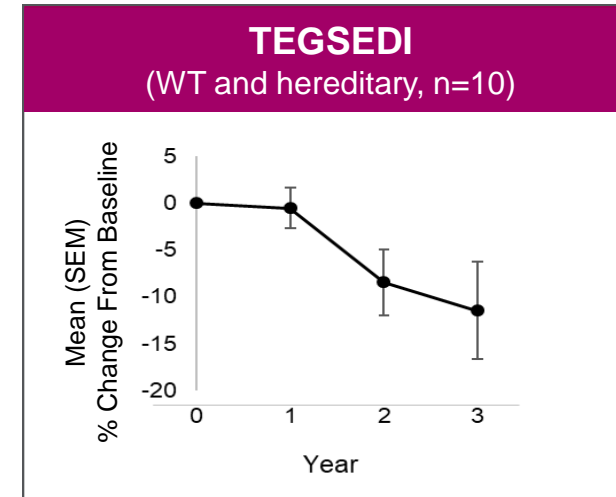
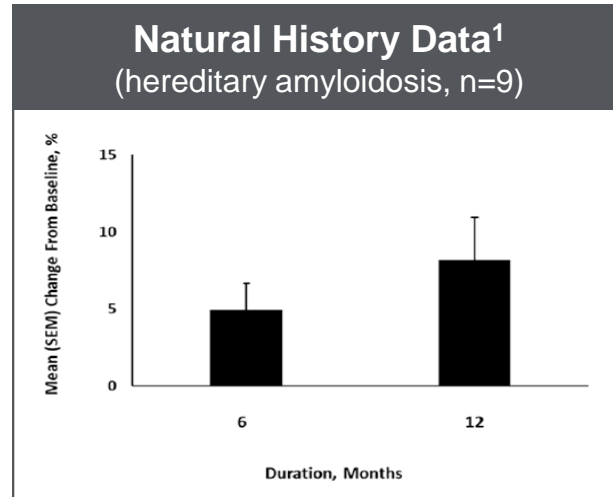
Main inclusion criteria:

- Biopsy-proven ATTR cardiomyopathy with clinical CHF symptoms (hereditary or wild type)
- LVW thickness ≥ 1.3 cm on transthoracic echocardiography

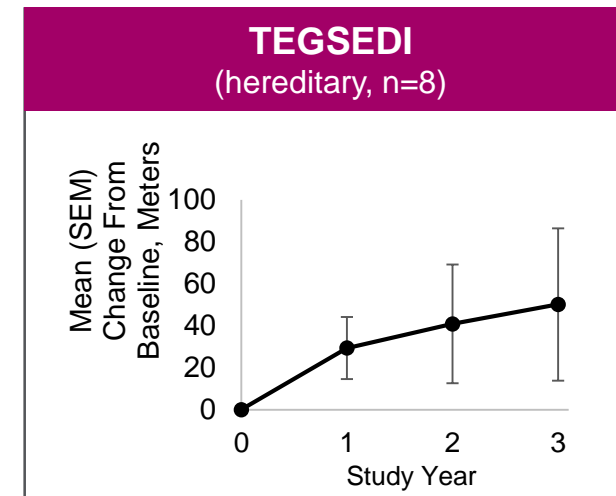
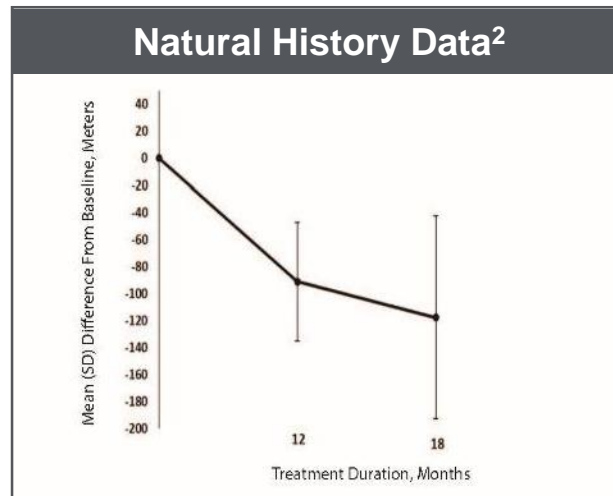
TEGSEDI 300 mg SQ weekly (No Loading Dose)

Phase 2 Investigator Study of TEGSEDI Demonstrates Stabilization or Improvements of TTR Cardiomyopathy

Decrease in LV Mass



Improved 6MWT



1. Benson MD, et al., (2011)
Am J Cardiol 108(2) 285-9.
Benson, M.D., AAN.

2. Ruberg et al. (2012)
Am Heart J. 64:222-228.e1.
Benson, M.D., AAN.

TEGSEDI is Well Tolerated and Demonstrates Stabilization and Improvements in TTR Cardiomyopathy Investigator Study

No severe thrombocytopenia or drug-related renal adverse events

- Drug-related side effects included mild injection site reactions and mild flu-like symptoms after injection

13 of 14 patients (93%) completed 2 years of therapy and are alive

- One non-drug related death after surgery due to cardiac arrest

Strong evidence of efficacy at 2 years of therapy compared to natural history

- Improved 6 minute walk distance
- Reduced left ventricular mass
- Decrease in mean BNP compared to baseline



A Comprehensive Therapeutic Franchise to Treat All Forms of Transthyretin Amyloidosis

TEGSEDI demonstrated substantial benefit with manageable safety in Phase 3 NEURO-TTR study

- First-approved RNA-targeted therapeutic for hATTR-PN
- Published in *New England Journal of Medicine* (Benson, M.D. et al. 2018; 379: 22-31)
- Multi-country launch going well

NEURO-TTR OLE demonstrating **long-term benefit** with no new safety concerns with long-term treatment

- Patients previously on placebo experiencing disease stabilization
- Disease improvement achieved in many patients
- Earlier treatment results in better outcomes

Long-term **safety** with **strong** evidence of clinical **efficacy** in patients with **wild type** and **hereditary TTR cardiomyopathy** (Dasgupta, N.R., Benson, MD; ACC, 2019)

Development of LICA **follow-on** medicine (AKCEA-TTR-L_{Rx}) for all forms of ATTR **underway**

- Phase I study in healthy volunteer nearly complete
- Phase III pivotal studies in hATTR-PN & ATTR-CM to initiate in 2H 2019

Late-Stage Neurological Medicines

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)

C. Frank Bennett, Ph.D.
Senior Vice President of Research

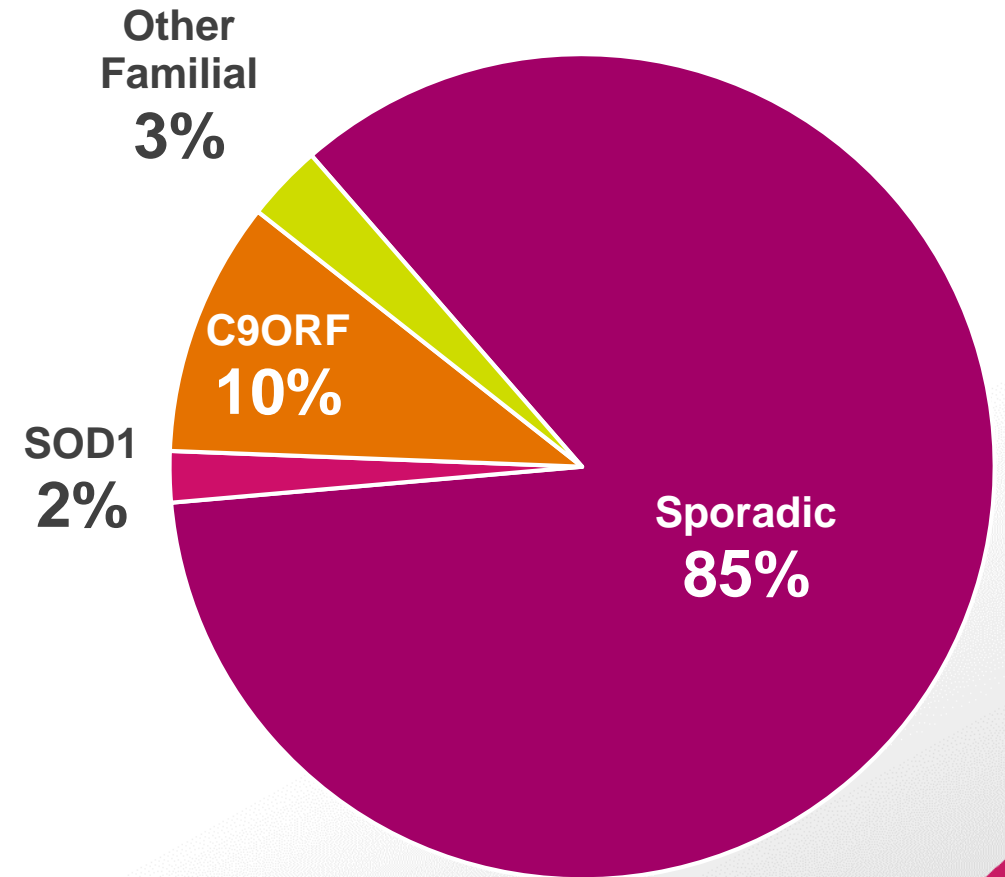


ALS is a Fatal Disease with a Tremendous Unmet Medical Need

Genetic forms (familial) and **non-genetic** forms (sporadic) of **ALS** exist

- Approximately 15% of ALS cases have genetic causes
- Devastating and rapidly progressing disease
- Patients become paralyzed, yet still have normal cognitive abilities
- Patients usually die of their disease within 2 to 5 years from symptom onset

Breakdown of ALS



Tofersen (IONIS-SOD1_{Rx}/BIIB067): Potential First-in-Class and Best-in-Class Medicine to Treat SOD1-ALS

Mutant **SOD1** causes ALS through **toxic** gain of function in neurons and glia

Tofersen directly **targets** a **genetic** cause of **ALS** and is currently in a Phase 3 VALOR study*

Intrathecal delivery to the CSF provides **widespread distribution** throughout the brain and spinal cord**

Proof of concept obtained in several animal models

- **Substantial reduction** in **SOD1** in most relevant regions of the **brain** and **spinal cord**
- **Improved** motor function and **survival** in animal model of SOD1-ALS
- **SOD1** detectable in **human CSF**, serves as an **important biomarker** in the ongoing Phase 3 study

Phase 1/2 Study Design for Tofersen

Single Ascending Dose^a

Cohort 1: Tofersen 10 mg or placebo

Cohort 2: Tofersen 20 mg or placebo

Cohort 3: Tofersen 40 mg or placebo

Cohort 4: Tofersen 60 mg or placebo

Multiple Ascending Dose

Cohort 1: Tofersen 20 mg or placebo

Cohort 2: Tofersen 40 mg or placebo

Cohort 3: Tofersen 60 mg or placebo

Cohort 4: Tofersen 100 mg or placebo

Endpoints

Primary

- Safety and tolerability
- PK measures of tofersen (plasma and CSF)

Secondary

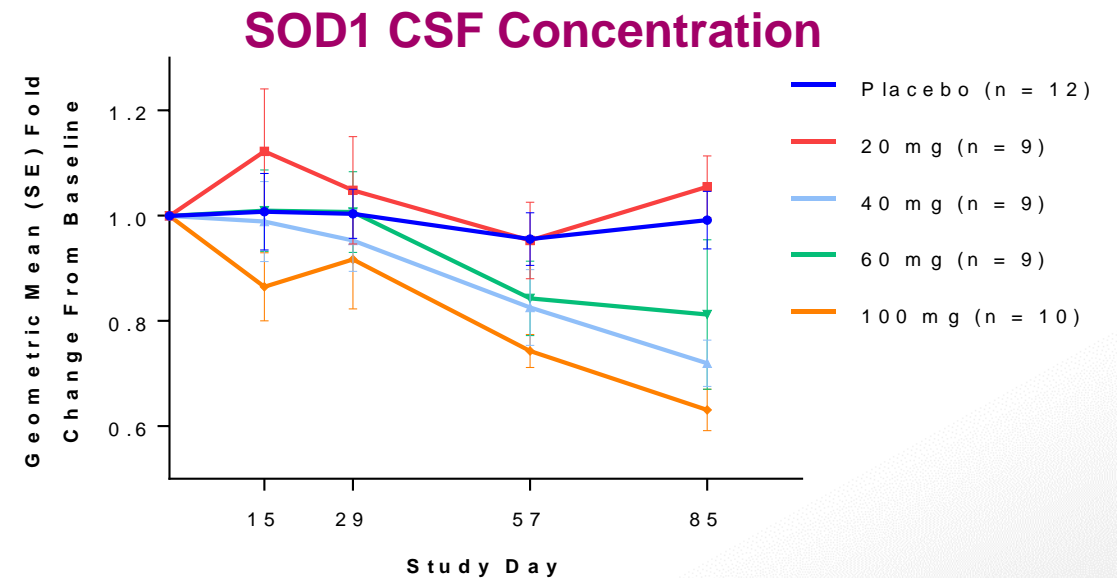
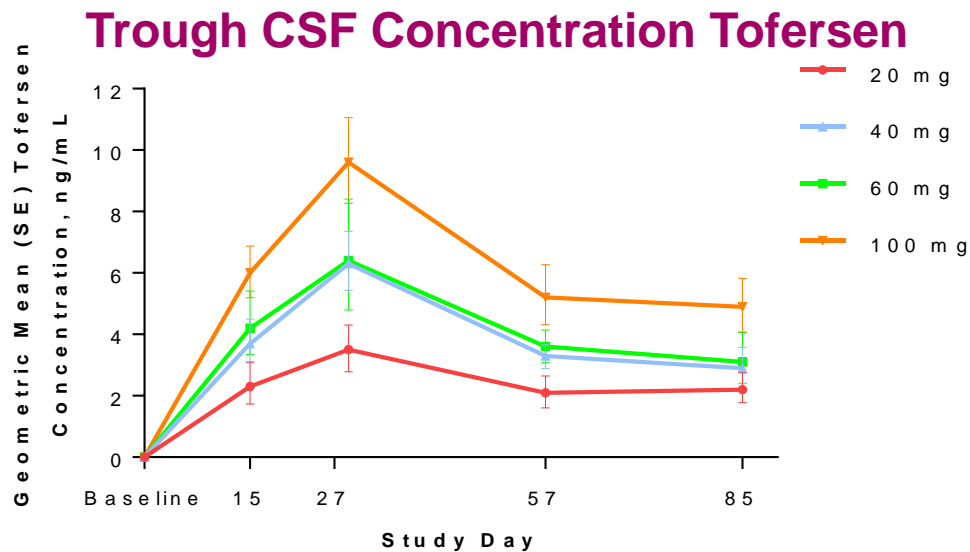
- Change from baseline in CSF levels of SOD1 protein

Exploratory endpoints include*

- Changes from baseline of clinical function measures: ALSFRS-R scores, SVC, and HHD

Phase 1/2 Study: Treatment With Tofersen Demonstrated Robust SOD1 Reductions in the CSF

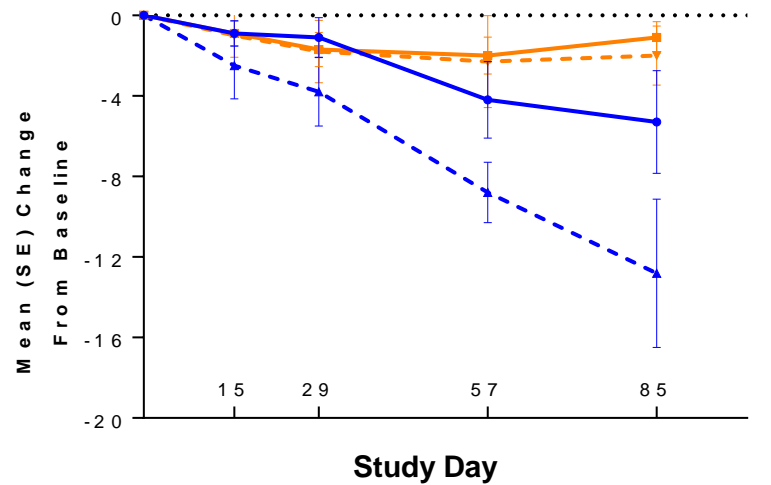
SOD1 concentrations in the CSF were substantially reduced at higher Tofersen doses



Tofersen was generally well tolerated
Most AEs were mild or moderate in severity

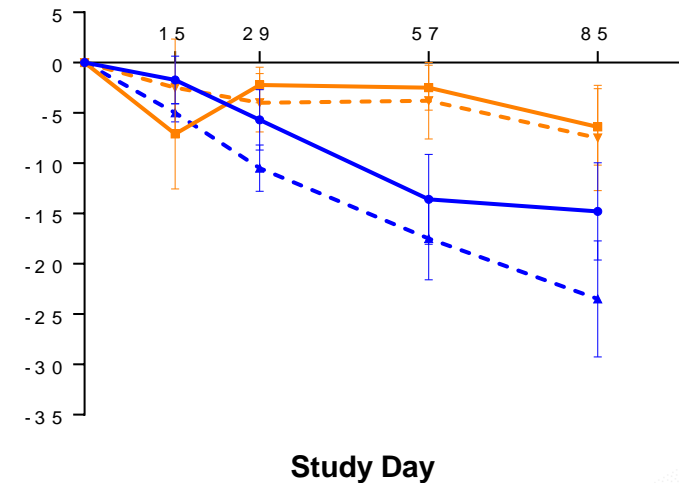
Interim Results: Treatment With Tofersen 100 mg Demonstrated a Slowing of Clinical, Functional and Respiratory Function Decline

Clinical Outcome ALSFRS-R



- Overall placebo (n = 12)
- - Fast-progressing placebo (n = 4^a)
- Overall tofersen 100 mg (n = 10)
- - Fast-progressing tofersen 100 mg (n = 4)

Lung Function % Predicted SVC



- Overall placebo (n = 12)
- - Fast-progressing placebo (n = 4)
- Overall tofersen 100 mg (n = 10)
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Innovative Phase 3 with Potential to Support Rapid Path to Patients

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Phase 3 VALOR^{**}

Tofersen 100 mg or placebo

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Primary

- ALSFRS-R score, a validated rating instrument for monitoring the progression of disability in patients with ALS

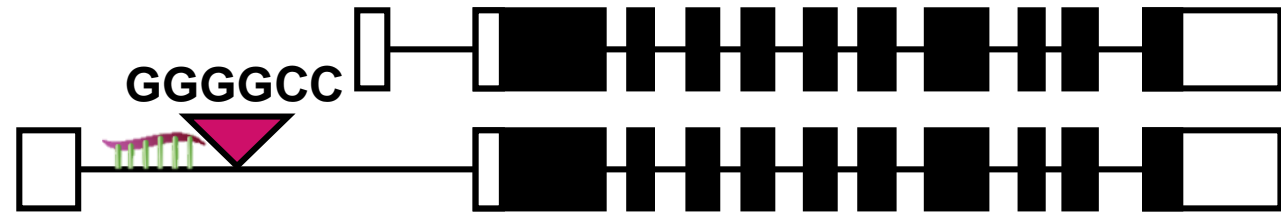
Tofersen (IONIS-SOD1_{Rx}) First Investigational Medicine to Demonstrate Significant Lowering of SOD1

- Potential **First-in-Class** and **Best-in-Class** Medicine to Treat SOD1-ALS
- **Significant lowering** of SOD1 in CSF
- Trends in slowing of **disease progression**
- Biogen licensed based on **positive** data from interim analysis of Phase 1/2 data
- **Phase 3 VALOR** study ongoing*

C9ORF72 Molecular Pathology

Mutant C9ORF72 toxic gain of function

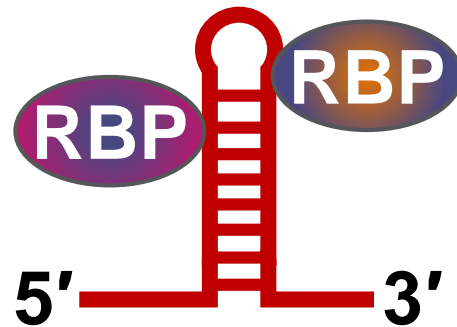
C9ORF72 repeat expansion causes a toxic gain of function leading to rapid progressive loss of motor neurons



Decrease Transcription

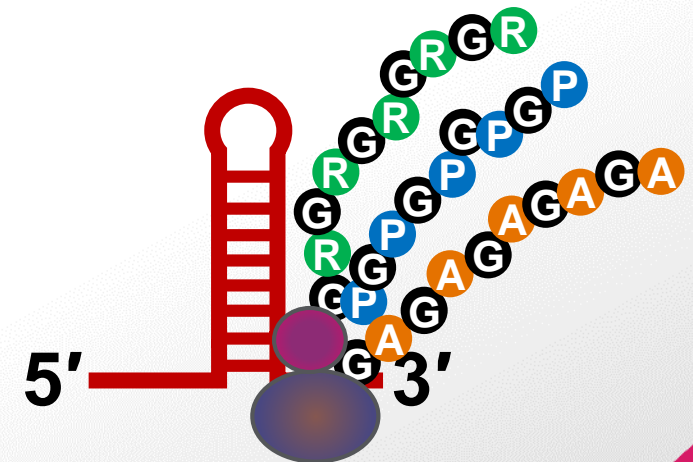


Repeat RNA-mediated toxicity



RBP = RNA Binding Protein

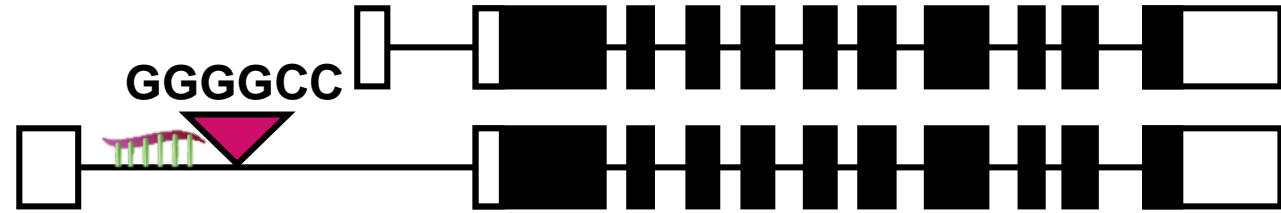
Dipeptide protein toxicity



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Mutant C9ORF72 toxic gain of function

In preclinical studies, we showed that we can selectively reduce the toxic C9ORF72 RNA with a C9 antisense oligonucleotide and demonstrated reduced behavioral deficits were sustained



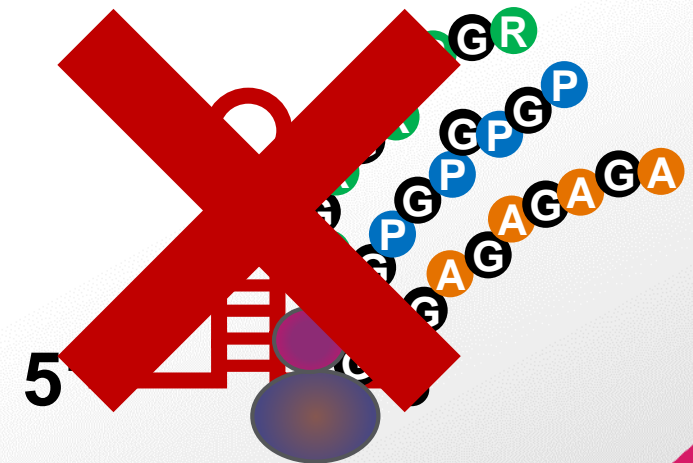
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IONIS-C9_{Rx} (BIIB078): Proof of Concept Obtained in Several Preclinical Models of the Disease

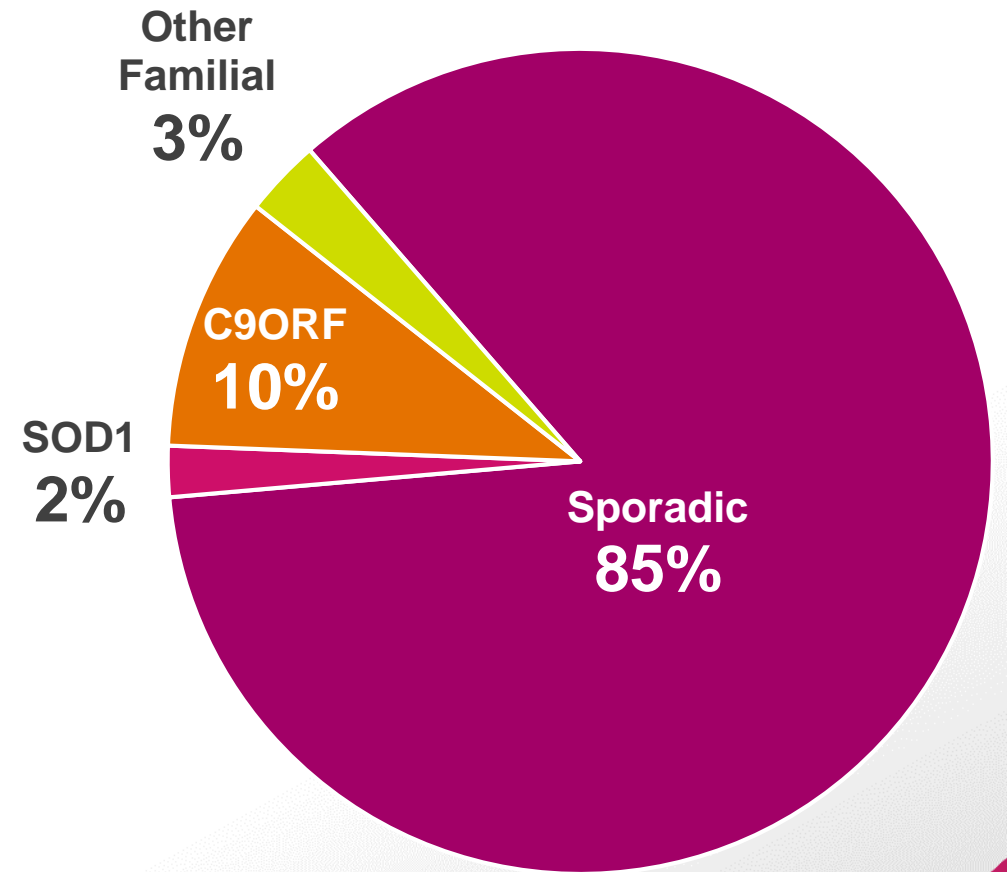
- Preclinical **data** show that we can **selectively** inhibit mutant **C9ORF72** transcript
- Phase 1/2 study **ongoing** (initiated Q4 2018)

ALS is a Fatal Disease with a Tremendous Unmet Medical Need

Ionis and Biogen committed to addressing all forms of ALS

- Tofersen: The **first** to demonstrate **significant reductions** in **SOD1** and trends in slowing of disease progression
- IONIS-C9_{Rx}: **Phase 1/2 study ongoing** (initiated Q4 2018)
- **New programs** expected to reach development for **sporadic** ALS and **additional** forms of **familial** ALS in the near future

Breakdown of ALS



Leading the Way in Developing Treatments for Huntington's Disease, Alzheimer's Disease and Frontotemporal Dementia

Holly Kordasiewicz, Ph.D.

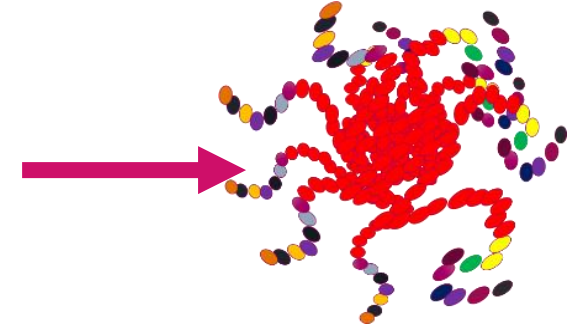
*Executive Director,
Neurological Drug Discovery*



Huntington's Disease (HD): A Rare, Genetic, Fatal Neurological Disease

HD GeneCCTTC **CAGCAGCAGCAG**CCGCC...
>35 repeats

Toxic mutant huntingtin



HEREDITARY

Caused by a toxic gain-of-function triplet repeat (CAG) expansion in the huntingtin gene, 100% of individuals who inherit mutation will develop the disease

DEVASTATING

Progressive loss of mental faculties and physical control. Families endure the catastrophic impact of the disease over generations

FATAL

No effective treatments or cure; symptom onset occurs between ages of 30-50, characterized by progressive brain & muscle tissue atrophy, leading to death 15-20 years post symptom onset

WIDESPREAD

Approximately 3-10 per 100,000 people worldwide; ~30,000 symptomatic patients in the U.S.

IONIS-HTT_{Rx} (RG6042) Potentially the First Disease Modifying Medicine for Huntington's Disease

- **Phase 1/2** data demonstrated
 - **Robust reductions** in mutant **huntingtin** protein
 - mHTT **reduction** correlated with **improvement** in clinical measures of **HD***
 - Favorable **safety** and **tolerability** profile
- **Phase 3** study **underway** by Roche

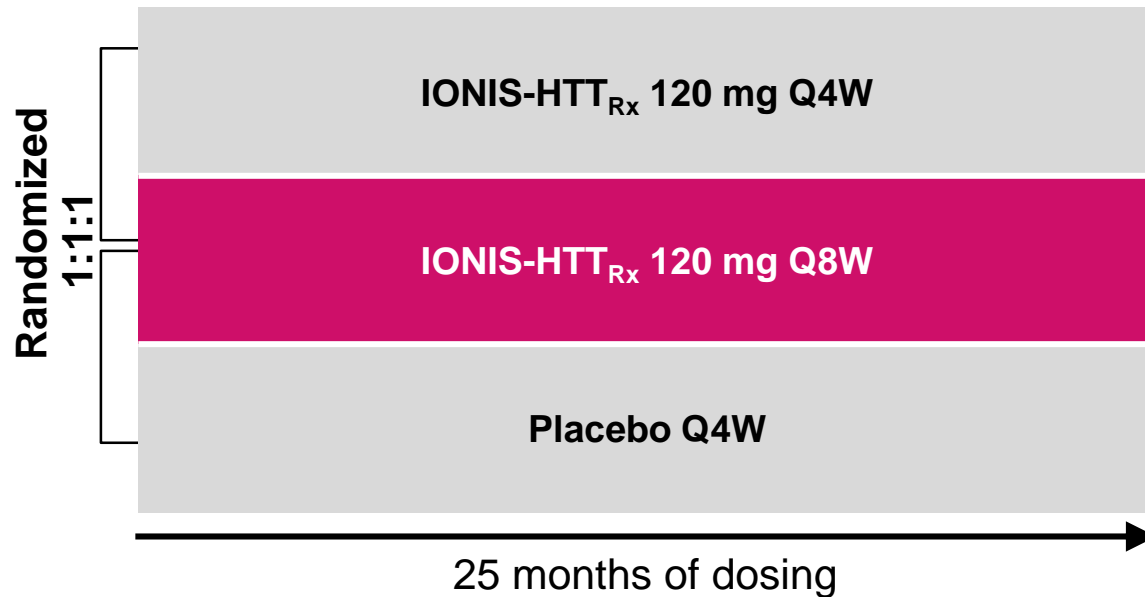
IONIS-HTT_{RX} (RG6042) Demonstrates Robust and Durable Mutant Huntingtin Reductions in the Ongoing OLE Study to Support Less Frequent Dosing

- **Demonstrated** mutant huntingtin (mHTT) reduction with bi-monthly dosing that was robust and durable to support less frequent dosing
- **No overall advantage** to monthly treatment versus bi-monthly, based on the totality of the data, including safety and tolerability
- **Replaced monthly** dosing arm of the pivotal study with a tri-annual (every 4 months) dosing arm
- **Updated pivotal** study design with less frequent dosing is more manageable for patients and physicians
- **Not expected to delay** timing of study completion

Phase 3 Study Revised with Less Frequent Dosing

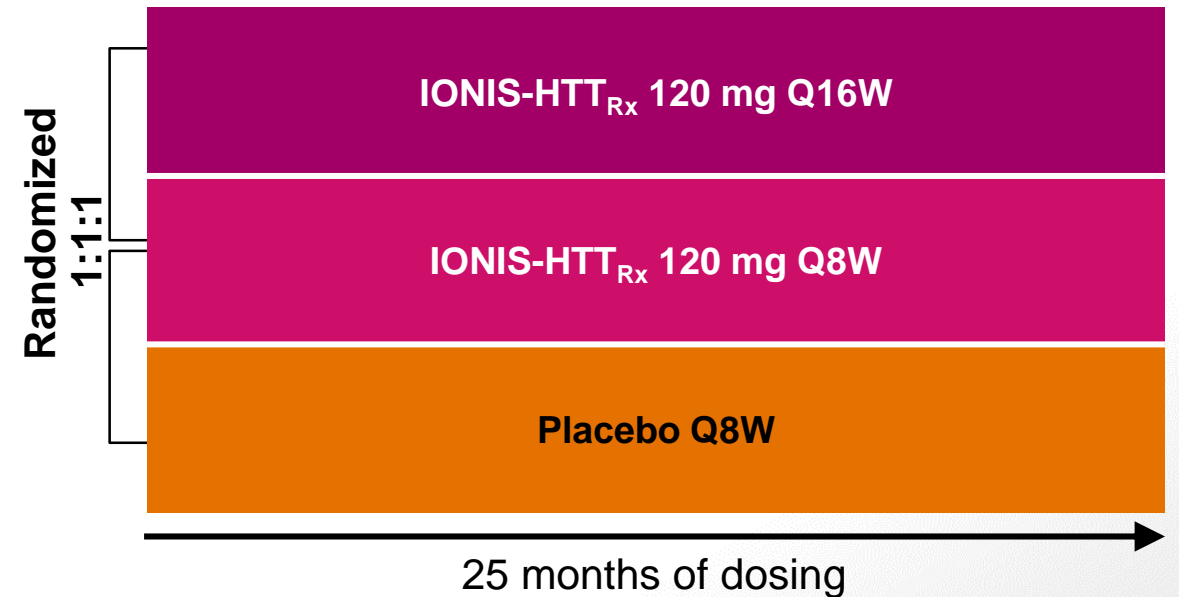
Original Protocol

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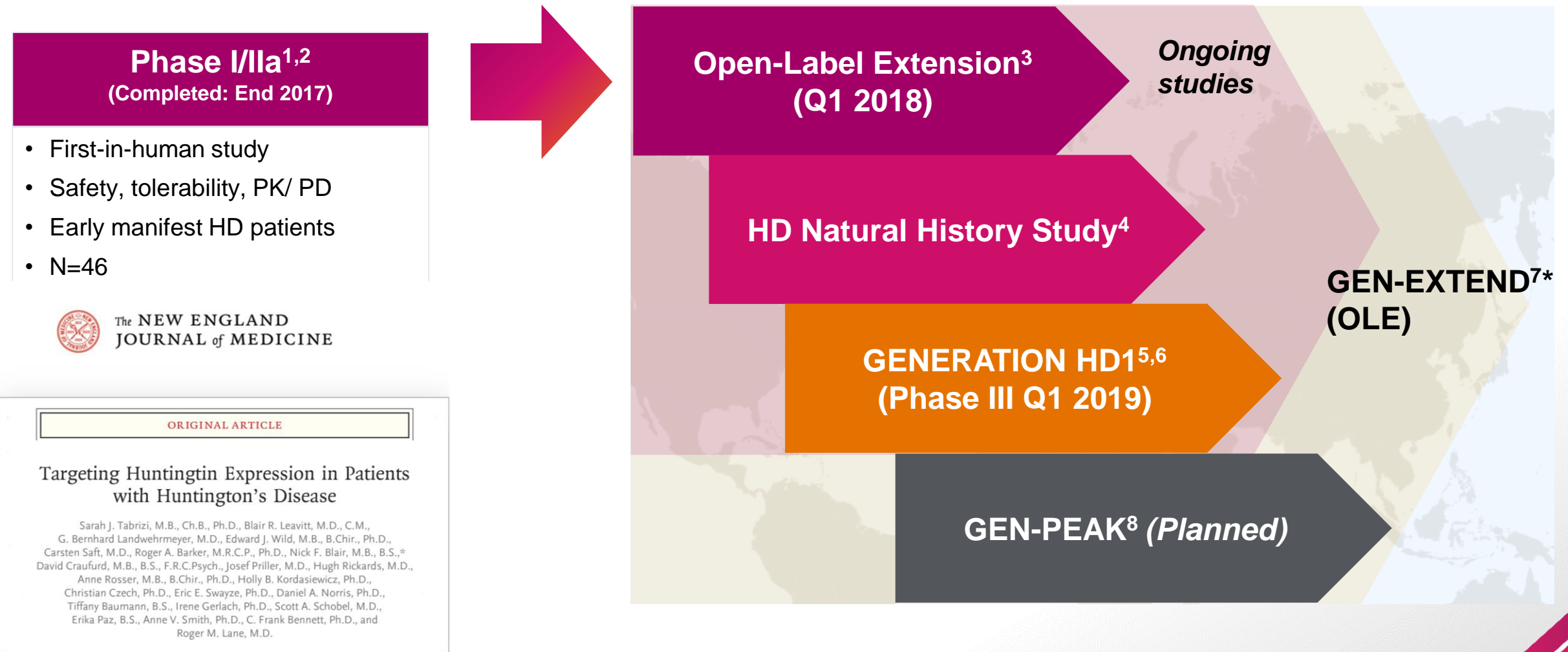
Revised Protocol

Intrathecal procedures **every 2 months**



OLE study support the continued development of IONIS-HTT_{Rx} with less frequent dosing regimen

Robust Investment Coupled to a Rapid to Market Strategy



Long-Term Dosing of IONIS-HTT_{Rx} (RG6042) is Well Tolerated at 9-Month Interim Assessment

No acute or serious safety issues identified requiring modification of protocol or program

Bi-monthly dosing has less adverse events than monthly dosing

- 157 adverse events, which were mostly mild to moderate in severity
 - ✓ 4 non-drug related SAEs
 - ✓ 0 possibly drug related

Monthly dosing arm adverse events

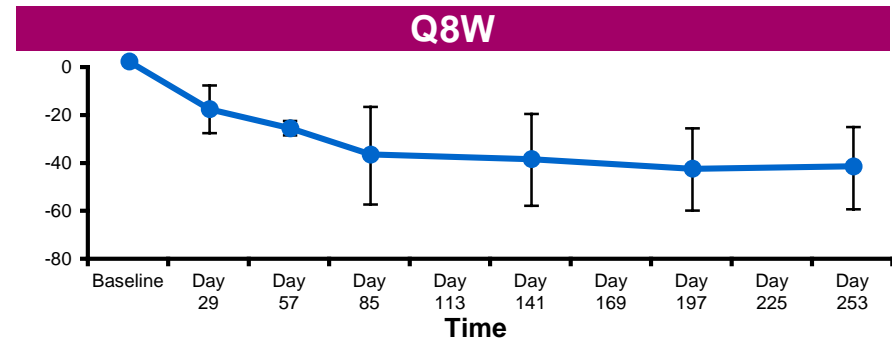
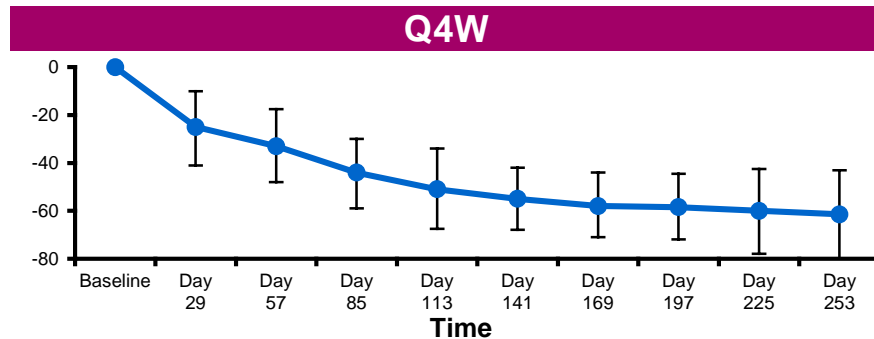
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120 mg IONIS-HTT_{Rx} Q8W appears more suitable for chronic dosing relative to Q4W

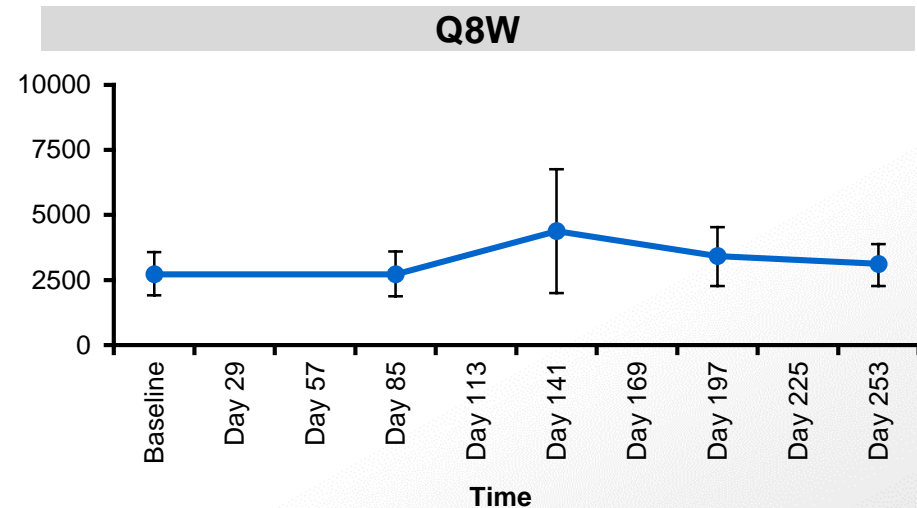
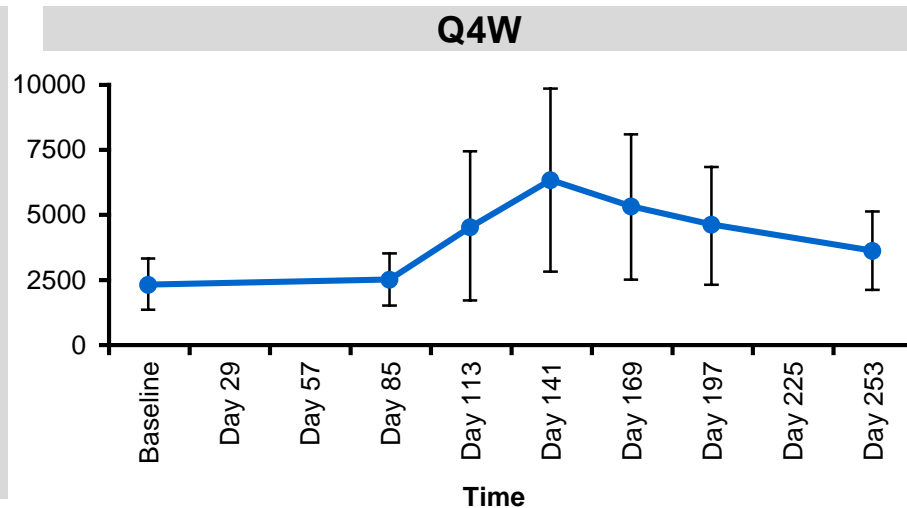
Demonstrated Robust and Sustained Lowering of mHTT and Transient Changes in Neurofilament at 9-Month Interim Assessment

CSF mHTT lowering occurs from first follow-up measurement and is persistent

CSF mHTT % change



CSF NfL (ng/L)



**CSF NfL increases at ~month 5 then decreases while on continued treatment
No safety issues associated with transient NfL increase**

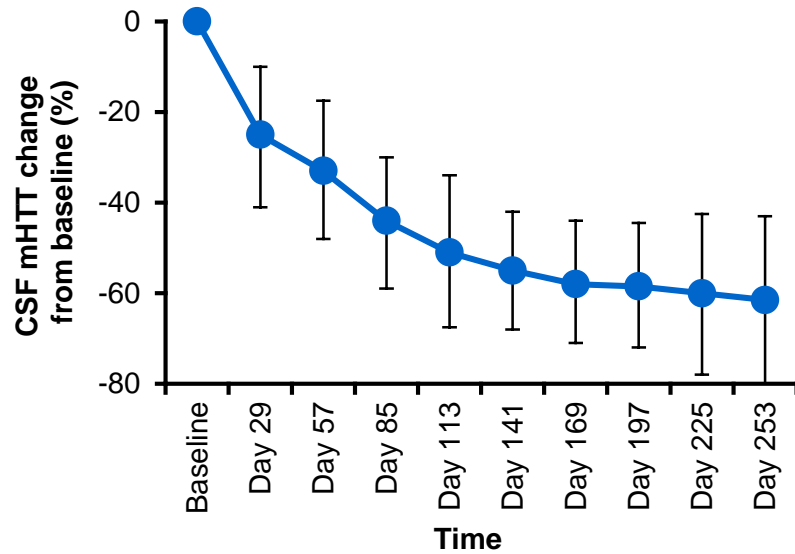


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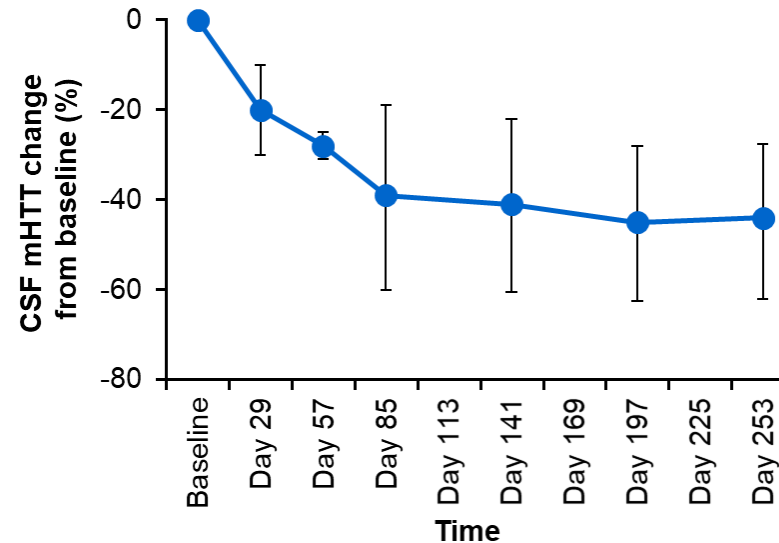
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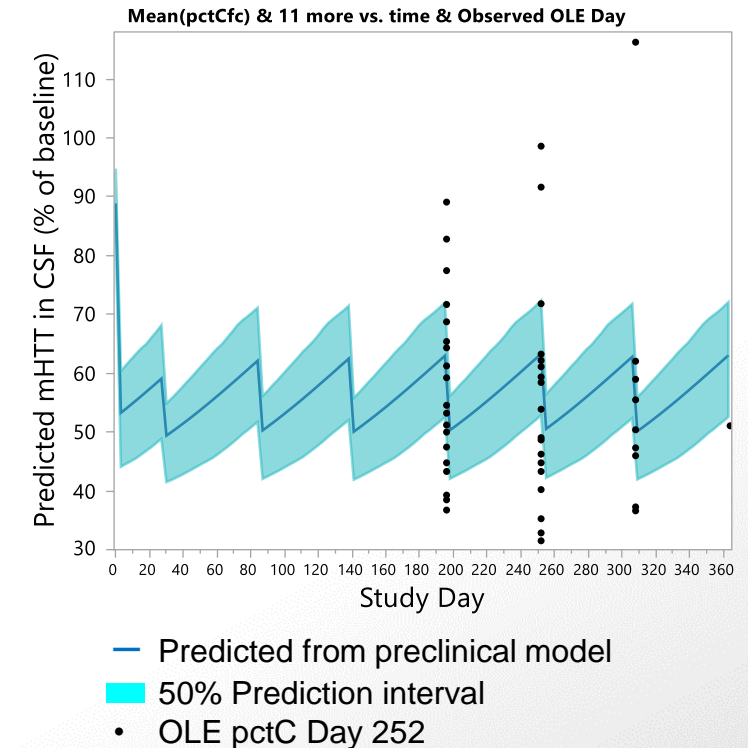
IONIS-HTT_{Rx} Q4W



IONIS-HTT_{Rx} Q8W



Preclinical Model



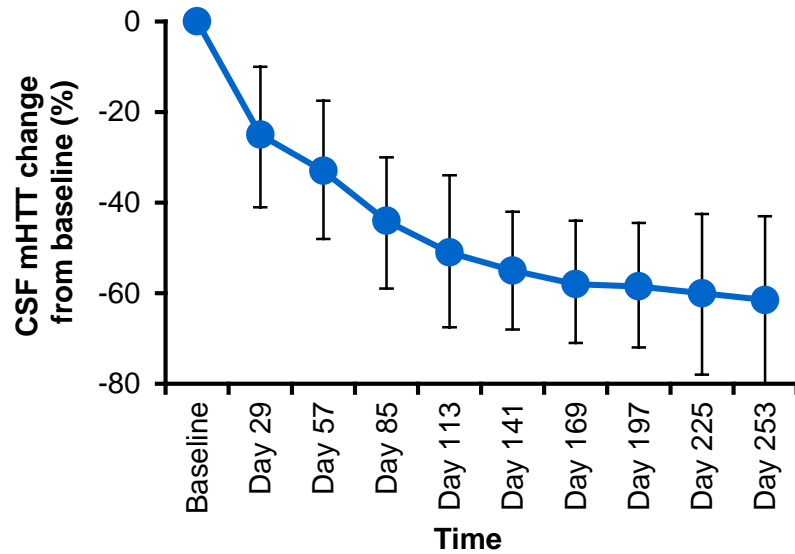
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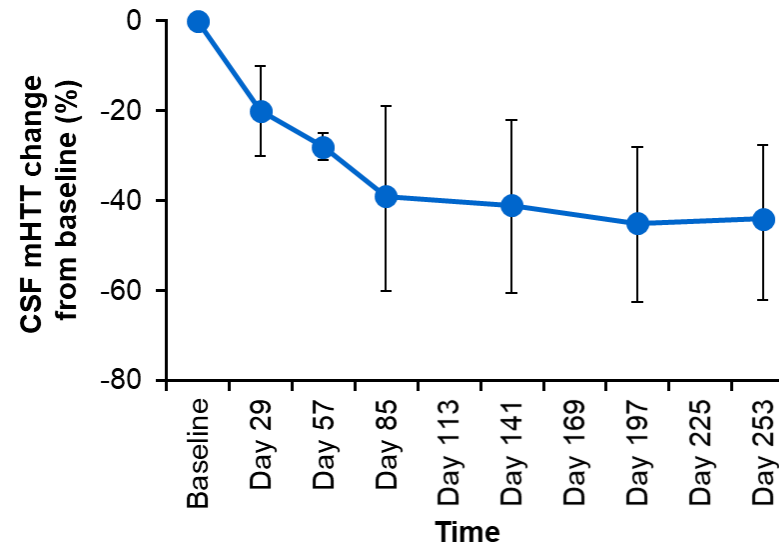
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IONIS-HTT_{Rx} Q4W



IONIS-HTT_{Rx} Q8W



% CSF HTT KD	% HTT KD in cortex	% HTT KD in caudate
20–30	30–55	5–20
40–50	55–80	25–45

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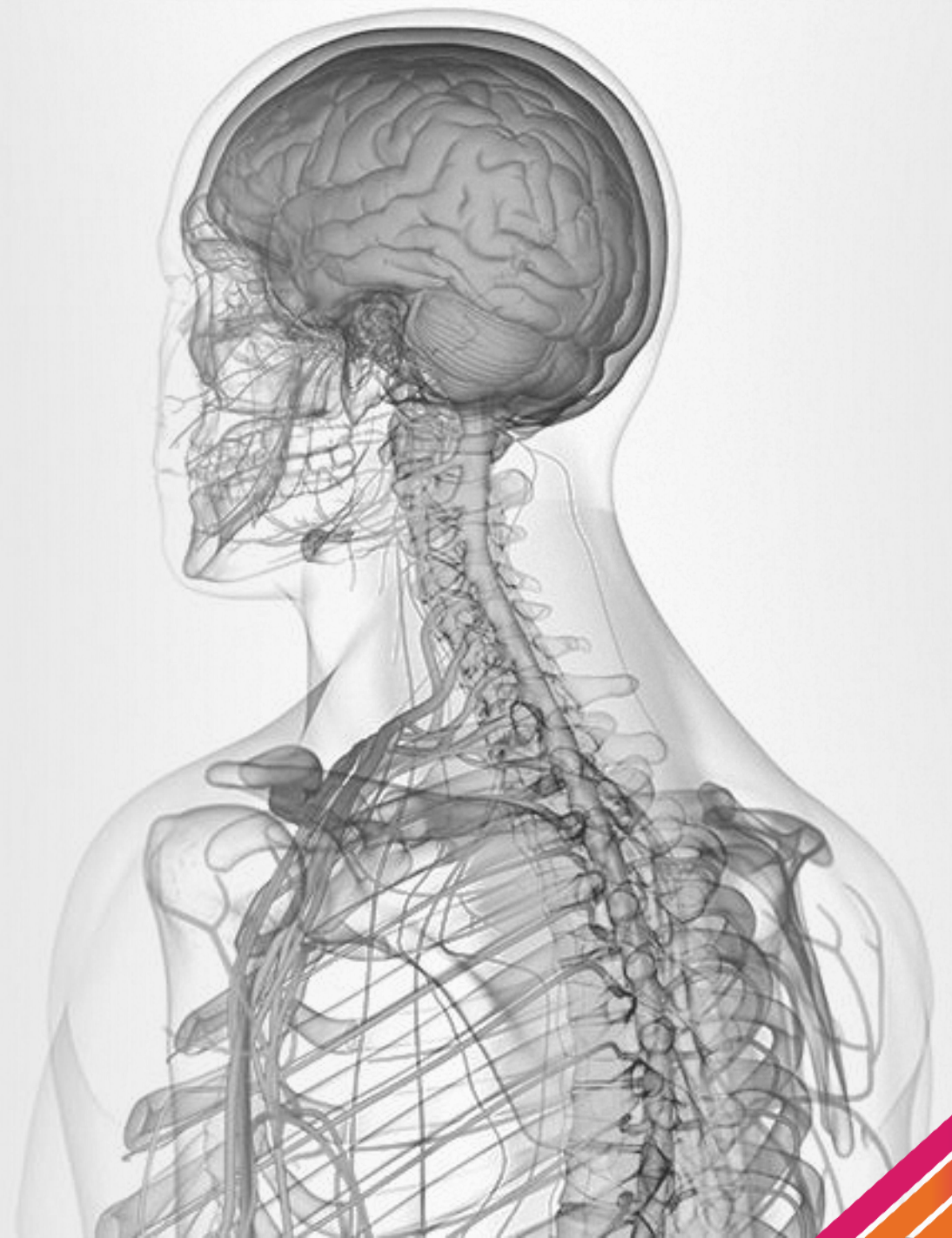


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Alzheimer's Disease and Frontotemporal Dementia



Alzheimer's Disease and Frontotemporal Dementia: Progressive, Neurodegenerative Diseases

AD and **FTD** are forms of **dementia** characterized by predominant memory impairment and behavioral changes, resulting in a person's progressive inability to perform daily activities independently, and eventually death

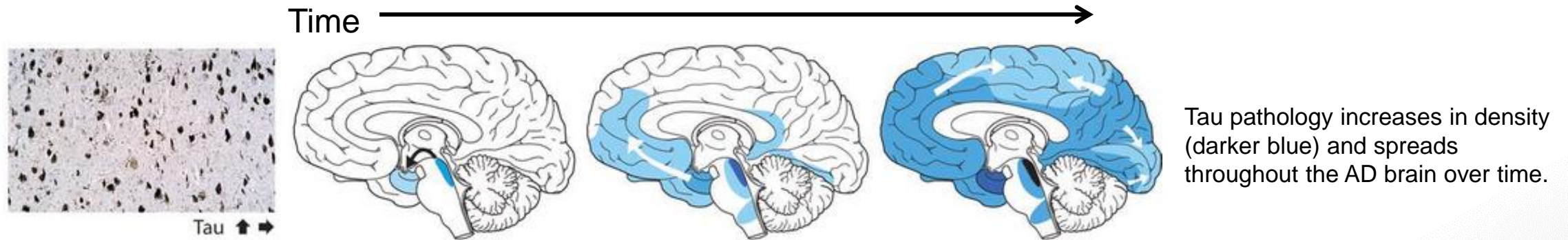
- Accumulation of pathologic tau is an AD pathology and correlates with cognitive decline in AD¹
- FTD typically occurs following the accumulation of neuronal proteins, including tau

Approximately
5.5 million
people are living
with **AD** in the U.S.²

Approximately
50,000 – 60,000
people are affected
by **FTD** in the U.S.³

IONIS-MAPT_{Rx} (BIIB080): Designed to Selectively Reduce the Microtubule-Associated Protein Tau (MAPT)*

MAPT, or tau protein, is a contributor or cause of certain neurodegenerative diseases, characterized by abnormal tau protein in neurons and non-neuronal cells in the brain



MAPT antisense reversed pathology in disease mouse model by reducing tau

Phase 1/2 ongoing in patients with Alzheimer's disease

Phase 2/3 study planned in MAPT-FTD

Advancing Ionis' Neurological Pipeline

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*Vice President,
Chemistry and Neuro Drug Discovery*



Advancing Ionis Neurological Pipeline Spanning Rare to Common Diseases

SPINRAZA

(Spinal Muscular Atrophy)

TEGSEDI (hATTR)

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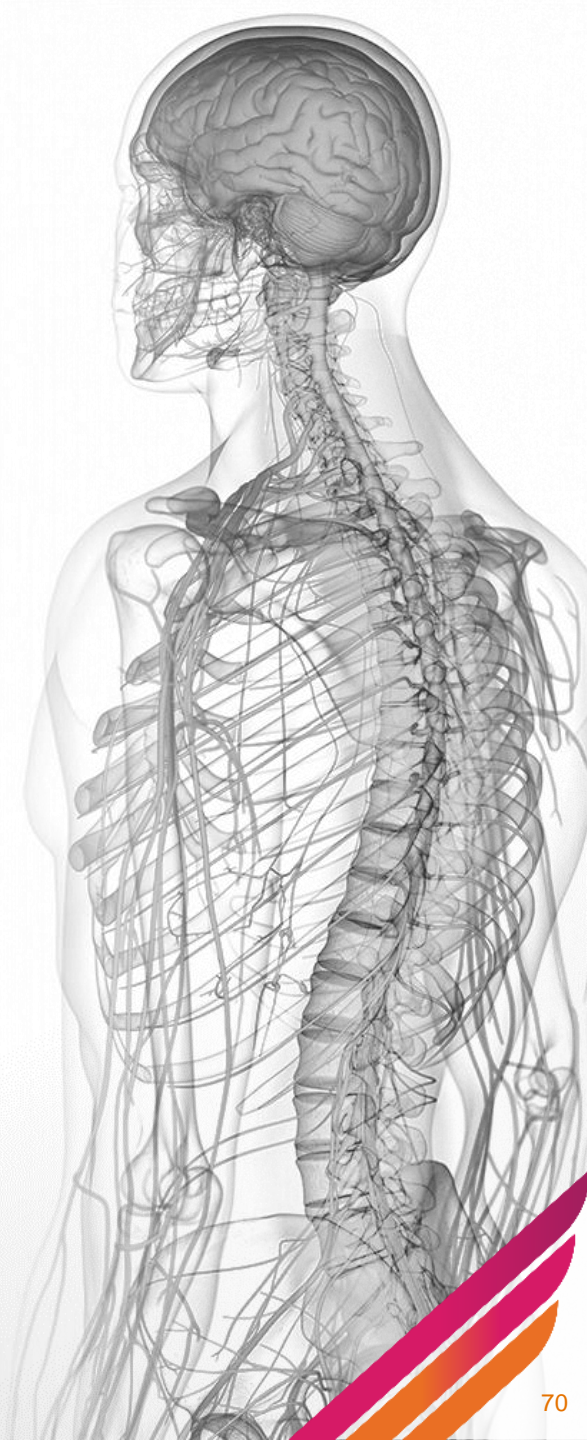
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Neurodegenerative Diseases

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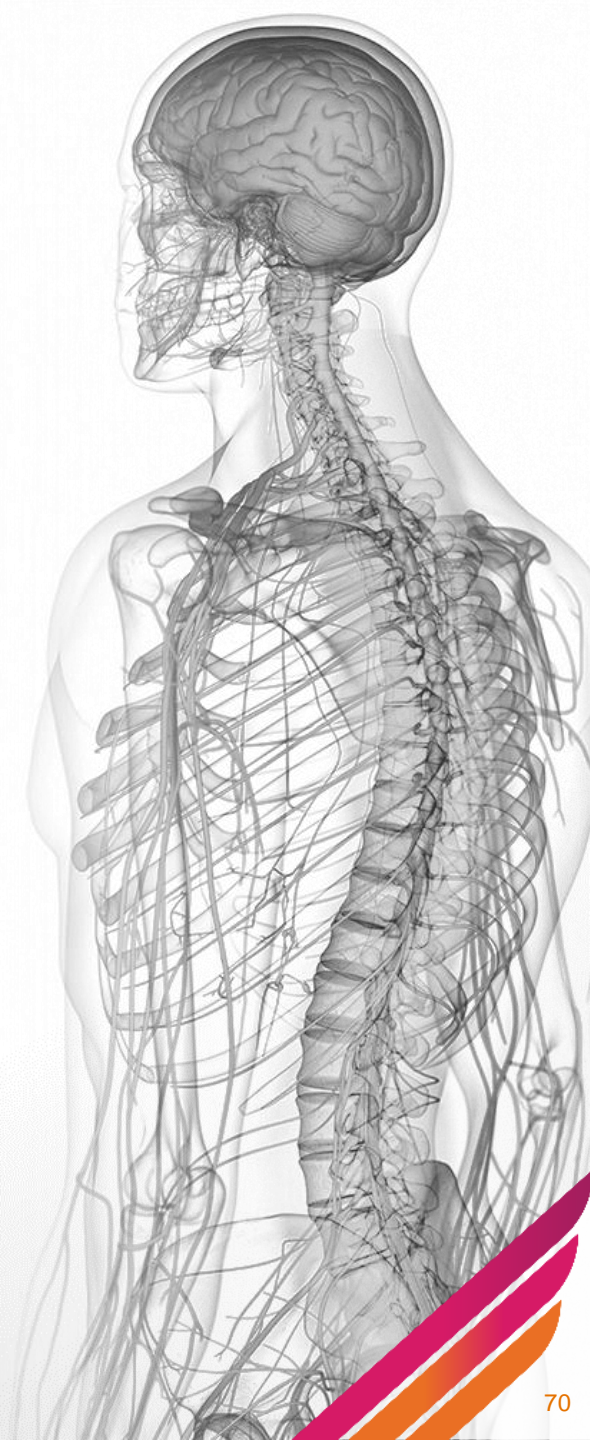
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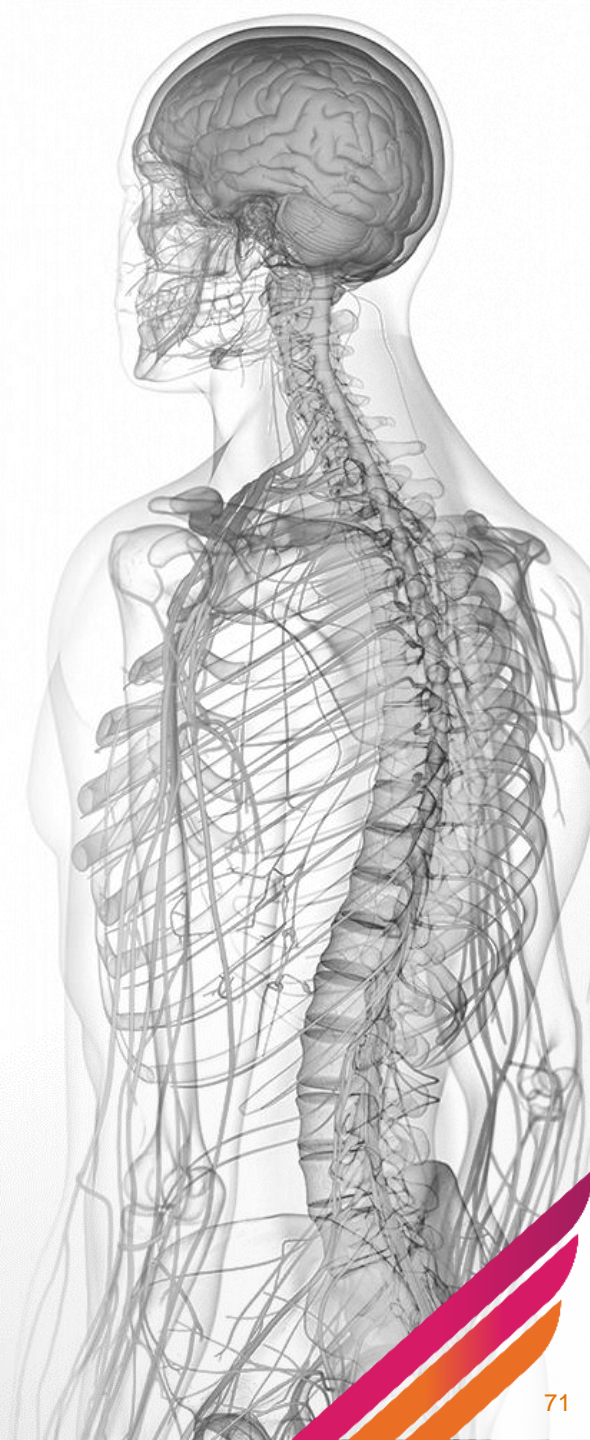
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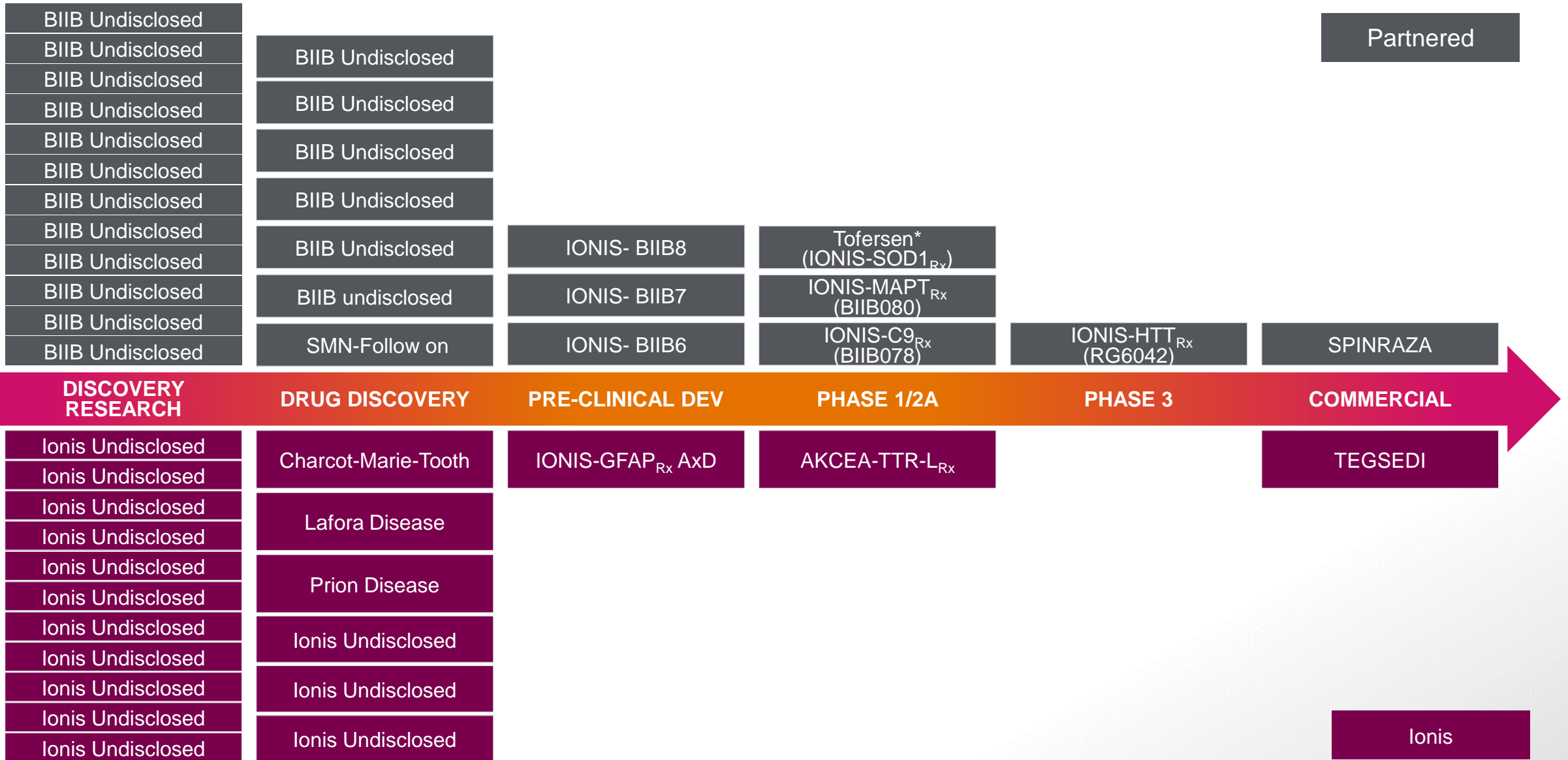
Parkinson's Disease

Alzheimer's Disease

Pain



IONIS NEUROLOGY PIPELINE – 2019



*Biogen is collaborating with regulators to further define the scope of the clinical data package required to support the registration of Tofersen

Prion: A Fatal Neurodegenerative Disease

- Rare, progressive and **fatal** neurodegenerative disease
- Causative agent: prions, composed of **misfolded PrP protein** (PrP^{Sc})
- Toxic Prp^{Sc} **spreads** throughout the brain by inducing misfolding
- **Prion** antisense **enhanced survival** in preclinical model
- **Development candidate** expected in 2020

Alexander's: Severe and Typically Fatal Neurodegenerative Disease

- **Severe**, progressive, rare **neurodegenerative** disease and usually **fatal**
 - Patients often experience seizures, loss of body movements and developmental delays
- Caused by autosomal dominant missense **mutation** in glial fibrillary acidic protein (GFAP)
- GFAP **antisense** has been shown to **reverse pathology** and **improve disease** (Hagemann, et al. *Ann. Neurol.* 2018, 83, 27-39)
- Phase 1 **initiation** expected in 2020
- **No** current treatment for Alexander's disease

We Are Applying Pioneering Advances in Antisense to Neurological Disease Drug Development

Focused **medicinal chemistry**

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Understand mechanisms of **distribution**

- Optimized design for target tissue
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Ionis: The Leader in RNA-Targeted Therapeutics

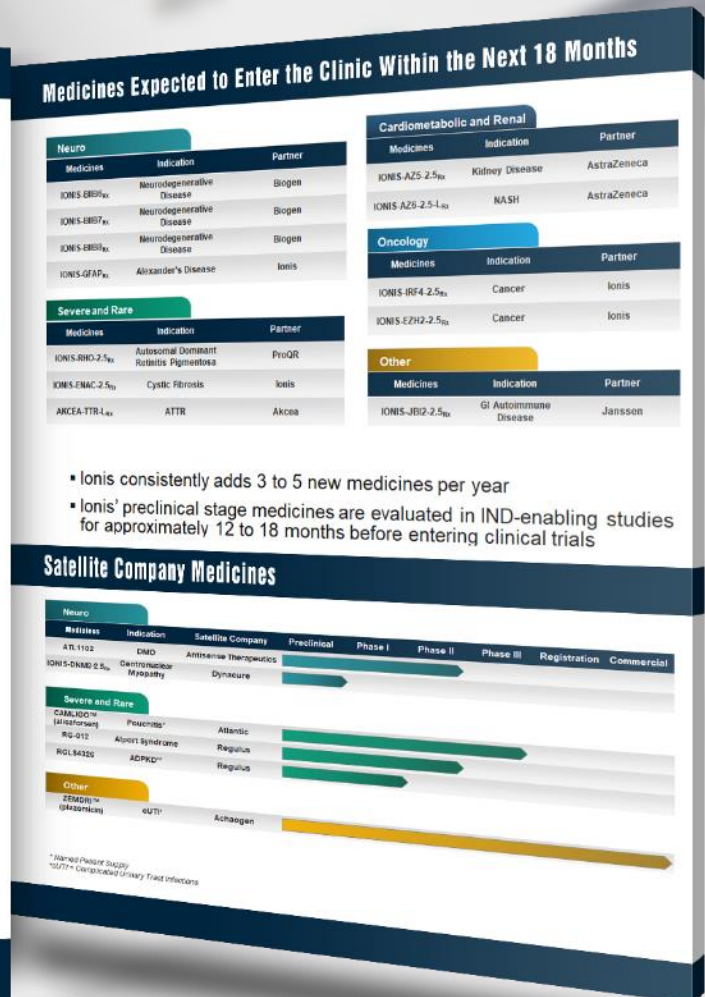
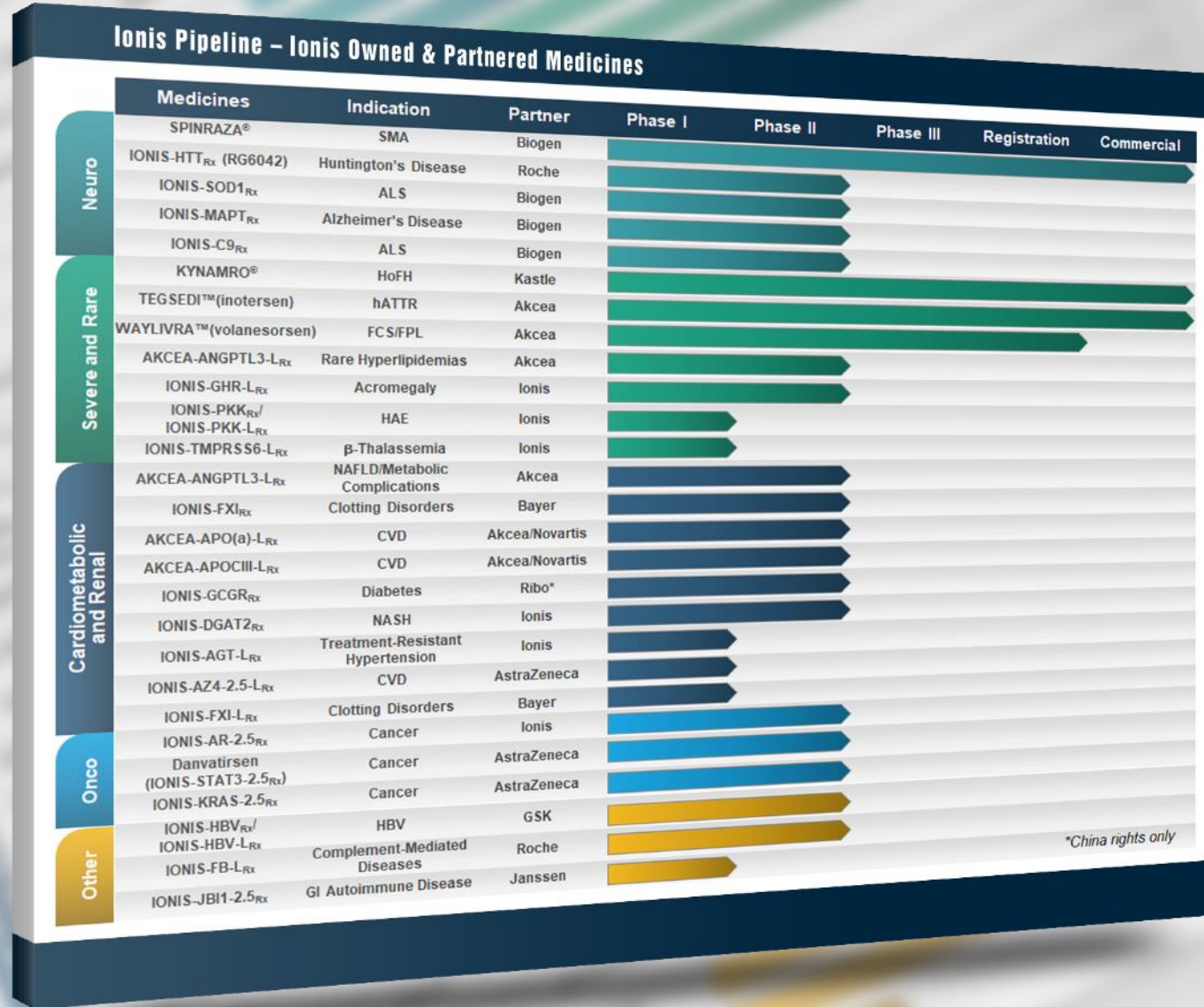
Stanley Crooke, M.D., Ph.D.
Chief Executive Officer and Chairman



Ionis: The Leader in RNA-Targeted Therapeutics

- **Antisense:** A novel and more efficient drug discovery platform
- **Rapidly** incorporate the advances in the technology into our pipeline
- **Focusing** on bringing maximum value to the patients who need it the most
- **Focus** on the truly novel molecular targets that revolutionize therapy
- **Constantly** expand and advance our pipeline in both rare and common diseases
- **Continuing** to retain an ever greater fraction of commercial revenues

Ionis Today: Advancing and Growing Pipeline of Over 40 Medicines



Large Late-Stage Pipeline Delivers the Next Transformative Commercial Opportunities

- **First-** or **best-in-class** medicines with transformative potential
- Numerous medicines with **blockbuster** potential
- Spanning **rare** to **common** patient populations
- **10+ medicines** with potential to enter **phase 3** studies in 2 years
- **4+ medicines** planned to enter **phase 3** studies in 2019

Planned Technology Webcast in 2H 2019

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