



Wave Life Sciences
First Quarter 2021 Earnings

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Paul Bolno, MD, MBA
President and CEO

Agenda

Introduction and company update

Dr. Paul Bolno, MD, MBA, President and CEO

Clinical pipeline: WVE-004 (C9orf72), WVE-003 (SNP3), WVE-N531 (Exon 53)

Dr. Michael Panzara, MD, MPH, Chief Medical Officer, Head of Therapeutics Discovery and Development

ADAR editing capability: AATD (SERPINA1)

Dr. Paul Bolno, MD, MBA, President and CEO

Financial results

Kyle Moran, Chief Financial Officer

Q&A

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Next generation of Wave

First quarter and recent highlights

Three RNA therapeutic candidates in clinic

- PN chemistry
- Silencing and splicing modalities
- Differentiated approaches

- Initiated clinical trials for WVE-004 in ALS / FTD and WVE-003 in HD
- Received regulatory approval for clinical trial of WVE-N531 in DMD

Rapid path to clinical proof-of-concept in 2022

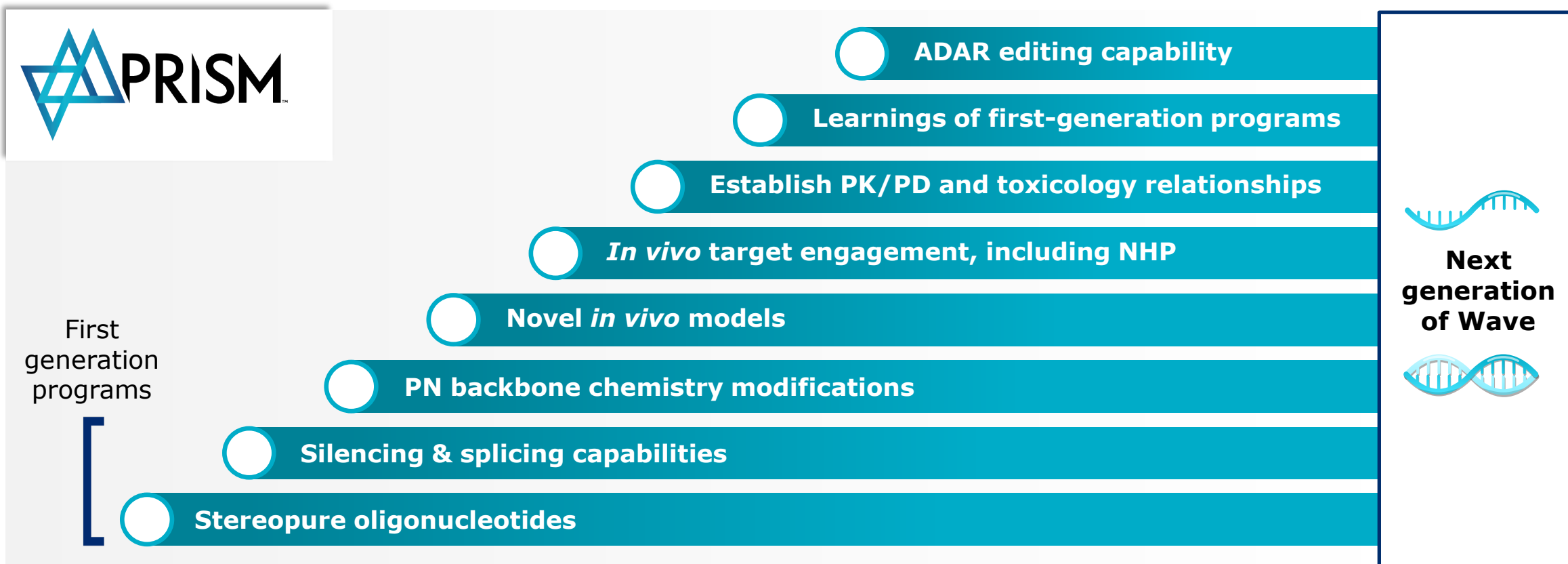
- Innovative and adaptive clinical trial designs enabling decision making across three programs

Novel ADAR editing capability advancing

- ADAR editing capability and preclinical *in vivo* data highlighted at ASGCT 24th Annual Meeting
- On track to share *in vivo* data from AATD program in 1H 2021

Rational drug design: Evolution of PRISM platform

Addressing the reality of stereochemistry



Choosing to control for stereochemistry enables Wave to apply principles of rational drug design to oligonucleotides





Mike Panzara, MD, MPH
Chief Medical Officer,
Head of Therapeutics
Discovery and Development

Innovative pipeline led by neurology programs

THERAPEUTIC AREA / TARGET	PRISM	DISCOVERY	PRECLINICAL	CLINICAL	PARTNER
NEUROLOGY					
ALS and FTD C9orf72	◆ ◆	WVE-004 (FOCUS-C9)			Takeda 50:50 option
Huntington's disease mHTT SNP3	◆ ◆	WVE-003 (SELECT-HD)			
SCA3 ATXN3	◆ ◆				
CNS diseases Multiplet†	◆ ◆				Takeda milestones & royalties
DMD Exon 53	◆ ◆	WVE-N531			100% global
ADAR editing Multiple	◆ ◆				
HEPATIC					
AATD (ADAR editing) SERPINA1	◆ ◆				100% global
OPHTHALMOLOGY					
Retinal diseases USH2A and RhoP23H	◆ ◆				100% global

 PRISM
  Stereopure
  PN chemistry

Next generation clinical pipeline

- **Oligonucleotide innovation and optimization**
 - PN backbone chemistry modifications
 - Interactions between sequence, chemistry and stereochemistry
- ***In vivo* models**
 - Insight into PK / PD relationships
 - Novel model generation
- **Learnings of first generation programs**
 - Translational pharmacology
 - Adaptive clinical trial design



C9orf72

WVE-004

Variant-selective silencing candidate
in ALS and FTD

SNP3

WVE-003

Allele-selective silencing candidate
in HD

Exon 53

WVE-N531

Exon skipping candidate in DMD

C9orf72 repeat expansions: One of the most common genetic causes of ALS and FTD

Hexanucleotide (G₄C₂)- repeat expansions in C9orf72 gene are common autosomal dominant cause for ALS and FTD



Different manifestations across a clinical spectrum

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)

- Fatal neurodegenerative disease
- Progressive degeneration of motor neurons in brain and spinal cord
- C9-specific ALS: ~2,000 patients in US

Frontotemporal Dementia (FTD)

- Progressive neuronal degeneration in frontal/temporal cortices
- Personality and behavioral changes, gradual impairment of language skills
- C9-specific FTD: ~10,000 patients in US

WVE-004 is the first therapy in clinical development for both C9-ALS and C9-FTD

WVE-004 durably reduced DPR protein *in vivo* in spinal cord and cortex, while preserving healthy protein

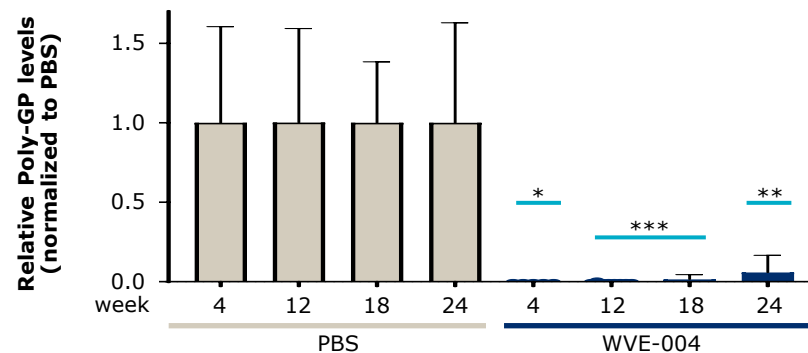
WVE-004 addresses multiple drivers of toxicity caused by C9orf72 mutations

- 1 RNA mediated toxicity:**
 Accumulation of repeat containing RNA transcripts
 - ✓ Reduce disease-causing RNA
- 2 DPR protein toxicity:**
 Accumulation of aberrantly translated DPR proteins (including polyGP)
 - ✓ Reduce downstream DPR protein
- 3 Loss of function:**
 Insufficient levels of C9orf72 protein
 - ✓ Preserves C9orf72 protein

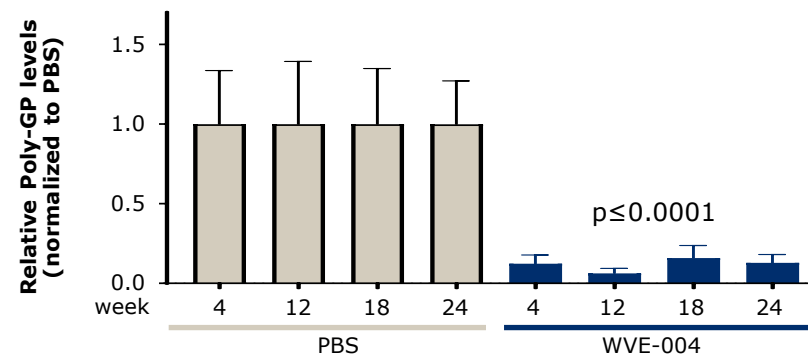
Novel variant selective targeting strategy published in *Nature Communications* – foundational work that led to development of WVE-004

Preclinical results: Durable reduction of DPR protein in spinal cord and cortex with WVE-004

Spinal cord



Cortex



Durable reduction of DPRs after six months with two doses of WVE-004 (day 0 and 7)

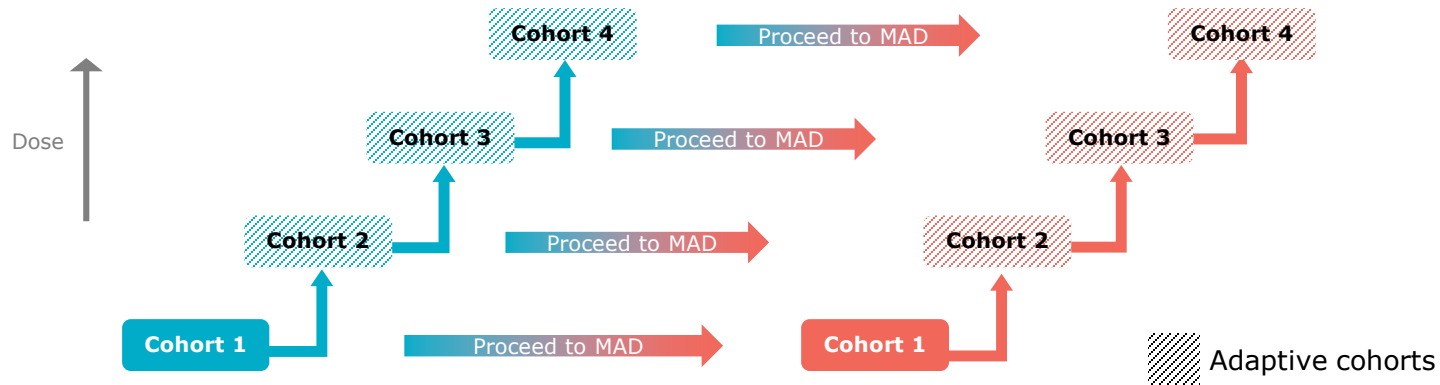
C9orf72 protein relatively unchanged at 6 months

FOCUS-C9: Adaptive trial designed to enable rapid assessment of target engagement

Phase 1b/2a global, multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial

FOCUS C9

Targeting 50 patients with C9-ALS, C9-FTD or mixed phenotype



Single-ascending dose (SAD)

Day	1-3	15	29	57	85
Dose	▼				
Biomarker Samples	●	●	●	●	●
Clinical Evaluations	●		●	●	●

Multi-ascending dose (MAD)

Week	1	4	8	12	16	20	24
Dose	▼	▼	▼	▼			
Biomarker Samples	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Clinical Evaluations	●	●	●	●	●	●	●

Primary objectives

- Safety and tolerability

Secondary objectives

- Plasma and CSF PK profile
- PolyGP in CSF

Exploratory objectives

Biomarkers:

- p75NTR^{ECD} in urine
- NfL in CSF

Clinical endpoints:

- ALSFRS-R
- FVC
- CDR-FTDLD
- HHD

Dose escalation and MAD dosing frequency guided by independent committee

Recent CHDI conference reaffirms necessity for allele-selective approach to Huntington's disease

Huntington's disease

- Expanded CAG triplet repeat in HTT gene results in production of mutant huntingtin protein (mHTT)
- Monogenic, autosomal dominant, fully penetrant genetic disease
- Huntington's disease affects entire brain

Wild-type HTT is critical protein for important functions in CNS



NEURONS

Promotes neuronal survival by protecting against stress



SYNAPSES

Plays essential role in transport of synaptic proteins to their correct location at synapses



BRAIN CIRCUITS

Supplies BDNF to striatum to ensure neuronal survival and regulates synaptic plasticity, which underlies learning and memory



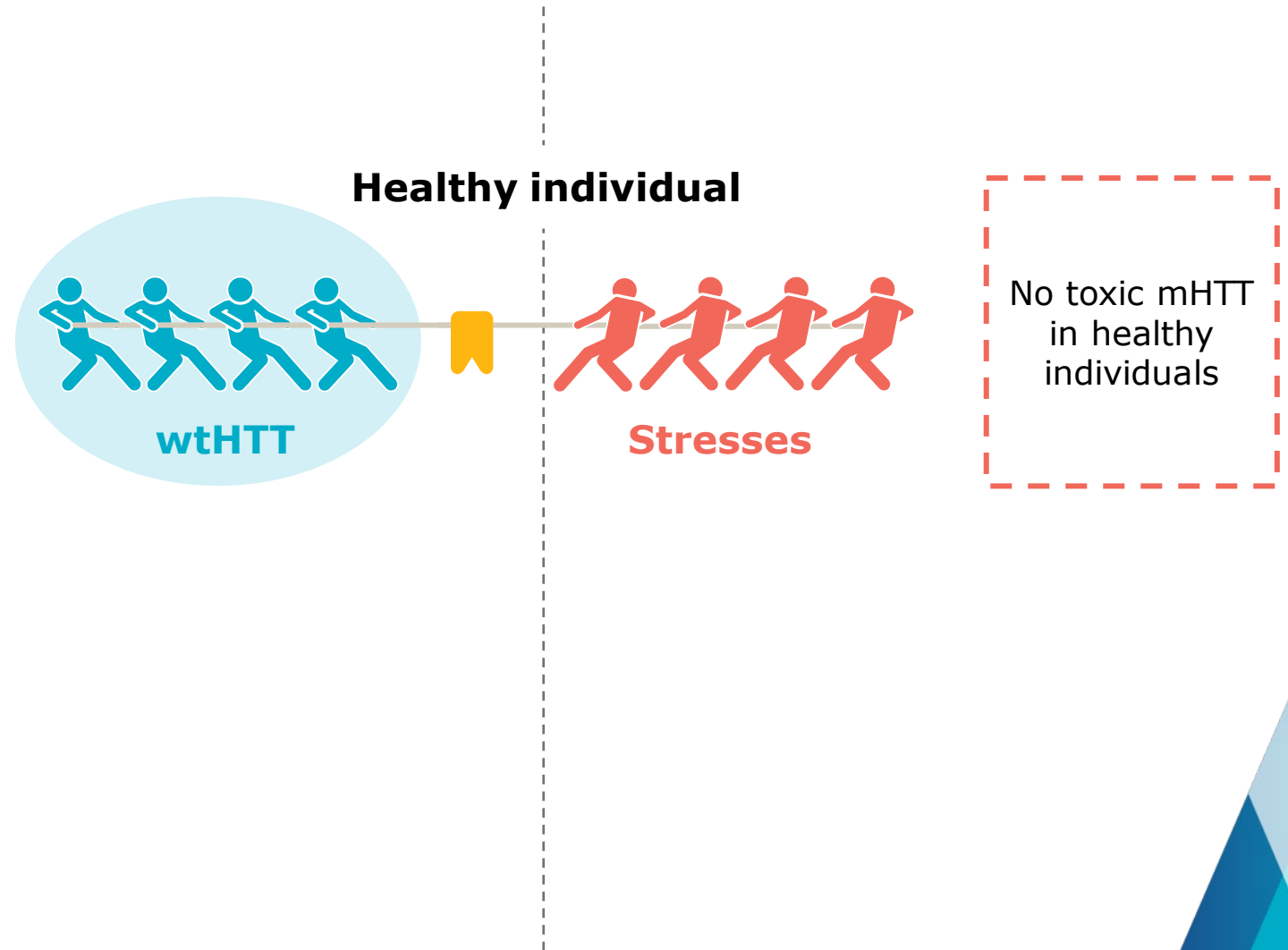
CSF CIRCULATION

Plays critical role in formation / function of cilia, which are needed to clear catabolites and maintain homeostasis

Loss of wtHTT function in HD may contribute to progression of disease

WVE-003
(SNP3)

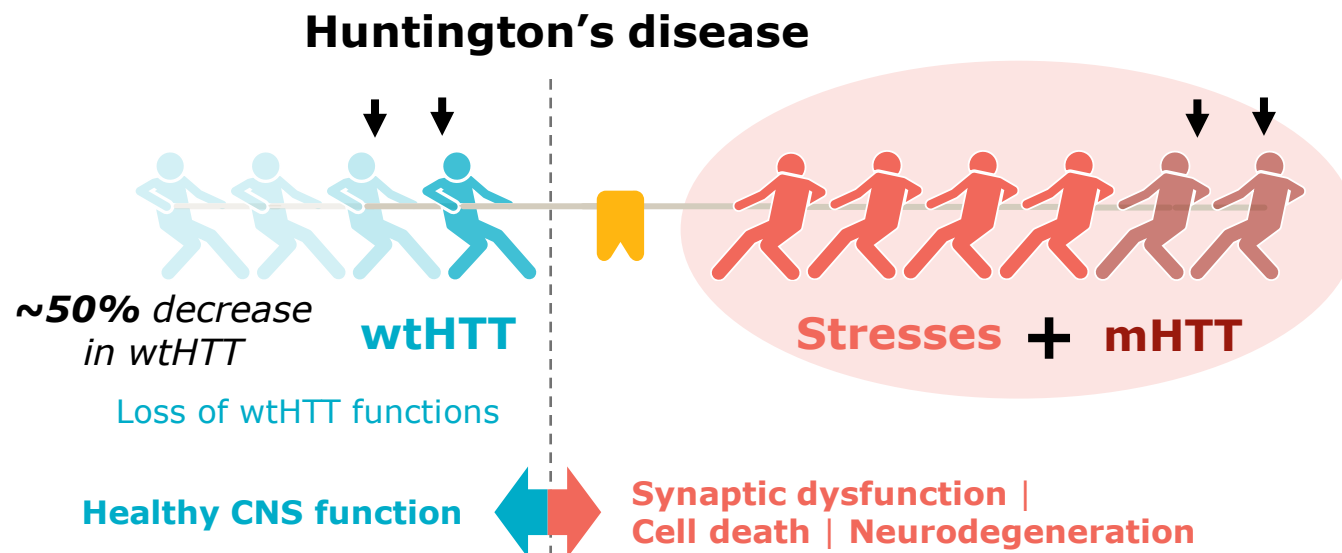
- Changes in wild-type HTT in healthy individuals or models that lack the effects of mutant HTT do not adequately represent the role of wild-type HTT in the context of Huntington's disease



Loss of wtHTT function in HD may contribute to progression of disease

WVE-003
(SNP3)

- Depletion of wild-type HTT with mutant HTT (non-allele selective) could be expected to manifest as lack of effect or worsening of disease progression

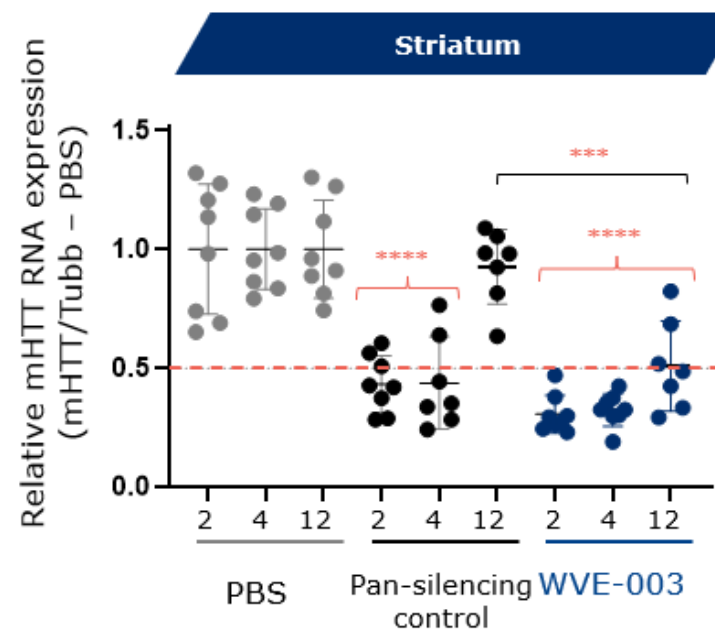
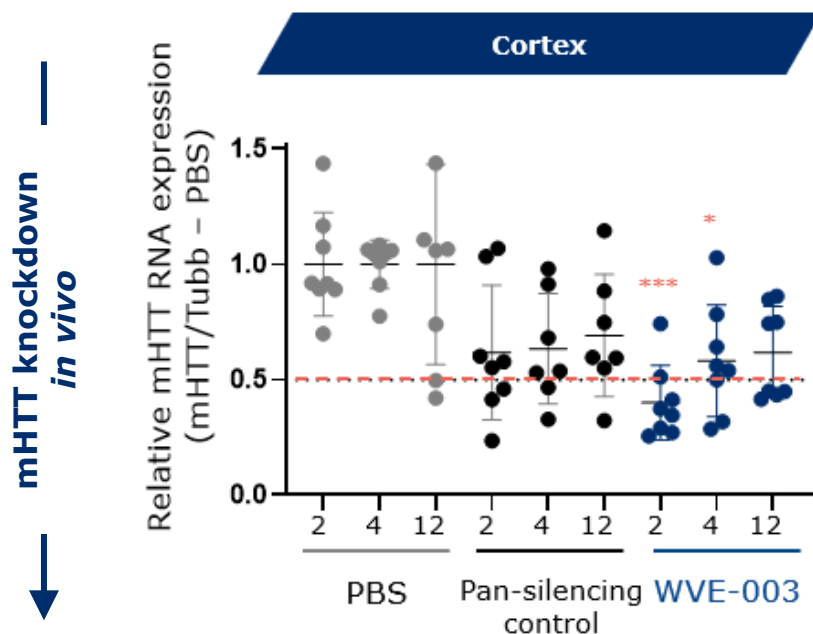
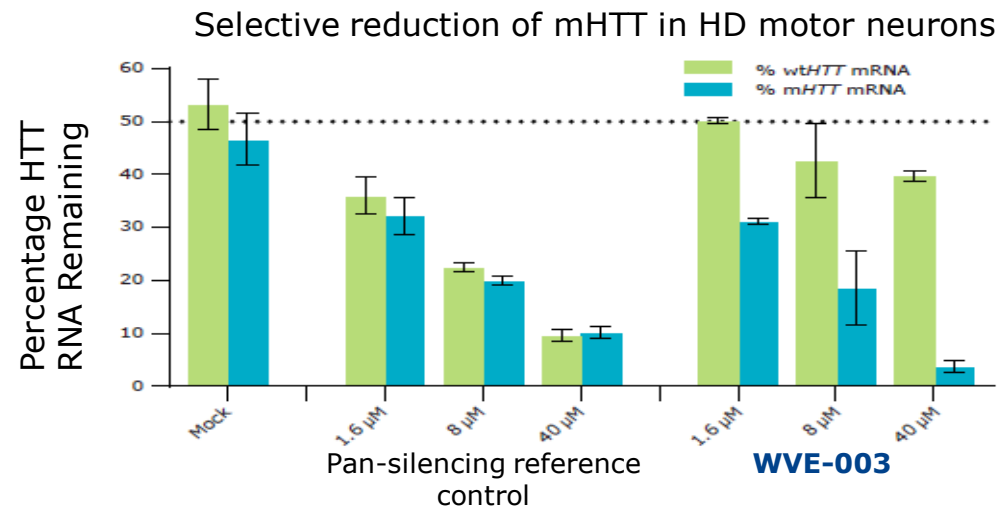


Wild-type sparing approach may be necessary to demonstrate clinical benefit in HD

Selective, potent, durable mHTT knockdown achieved with WVE-003 in preclinical studies

WVE-003
(SNP3)

- ✓ **Selectivity:** Wild-type HTT is preserved even at high concentrations *in vitro*
- ✓ **Potency:** Maximum knockdown of 70-75% *in vivo*
- ✓ **Durability:** ~50% knockdown persisting for at least 3 months *in vivo*



WVE-003: *In vivo* studies support distribution to cortex and striatum in BACHD and NHPs

WVE-003
(SNP3)



**BACHD
model**

Achieved maximum mHTT knockdown of 70-75% in **cortex** and **striatum** with ~50% knockdown persisting for at least 3 months with WVE-003



NHP

Achieved sufficient concentrations of WVE-003 in **cortex** and **striatum** for target engagement

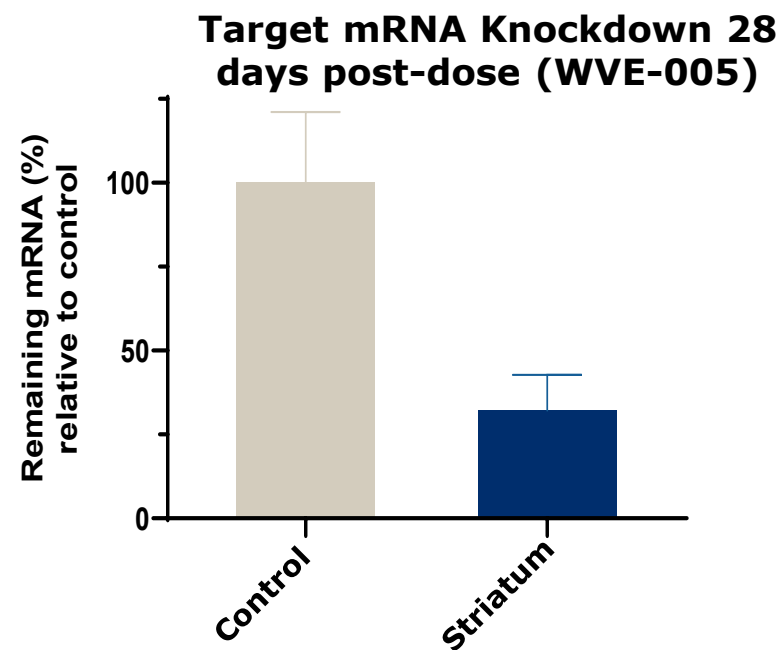
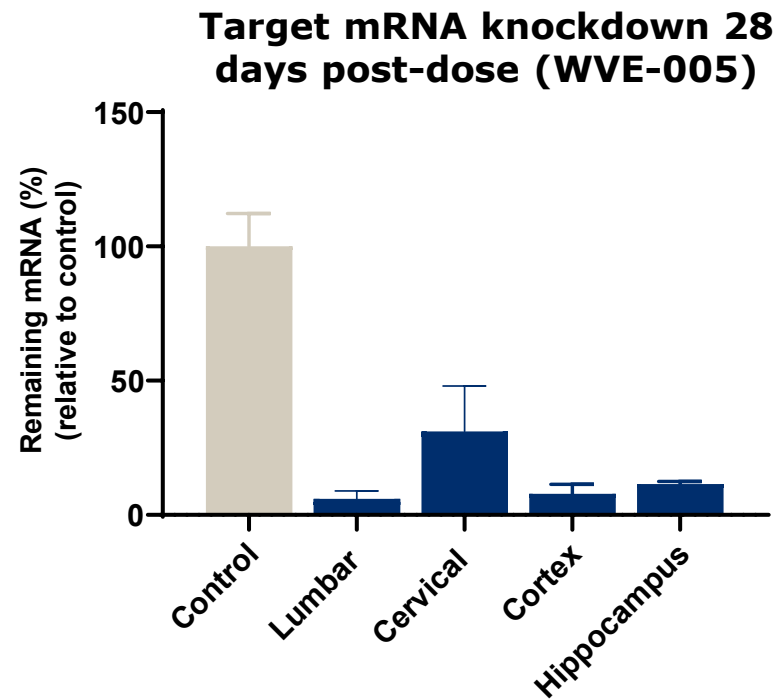


Human

Anticipated mHTT knockdown in **cortex** and **striatum** based on PK-PD modeling

Clinical starting dose of WVE-003 informed by PK-PD modeling

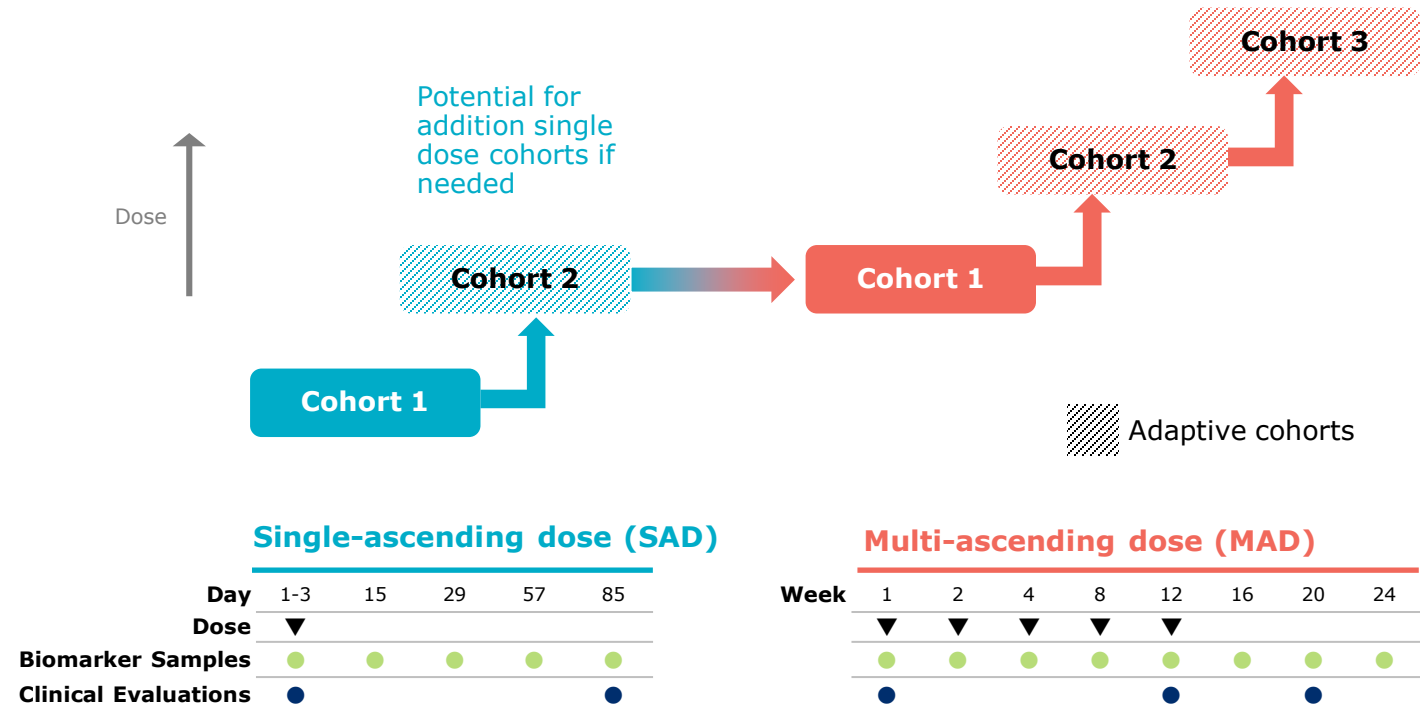
Substantial and widespread target mRNA reduction following single intrathecal dose in NHPs



SELECT-HD: Adaptive trial designed to enable faster optimization of dose and frequency

Phase 1b/2a global, multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial

Targeting 36 patients with early manifest HD diagnosis with SNP3 variant



Primary objectives

- Safety and tolerability

Secondary objectives

- Plasma PK profile
- CSF exposure

Exploratory objectives

Biomarkers:

- mHTT
- wtHTT
- NfL

Clinical endpoints:

- UHDRS

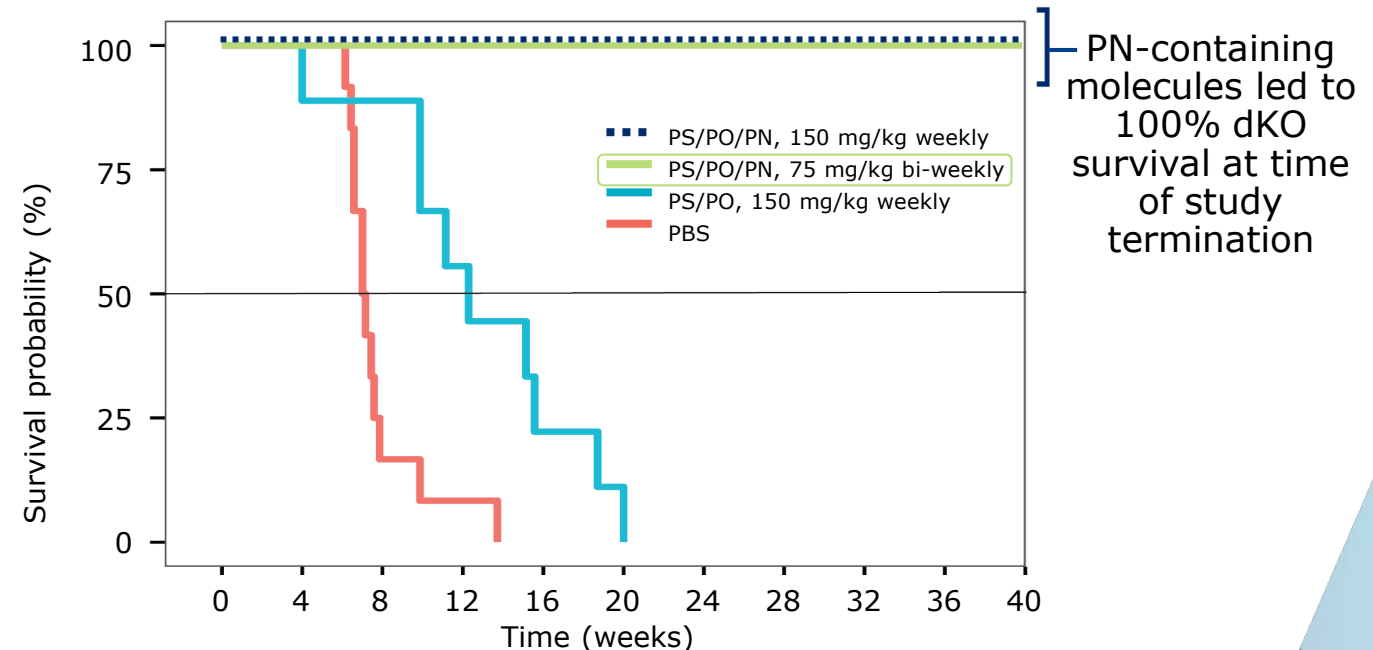
Dose escalation and MAD dosing frequency guided by independent committee

WVE-N531: First splicing candidate to use PN chemistry

Duchenne muscular dystrophy

- Genetic mutation in dystrophin gene prevents the production of dystrophin protein, a critical component of healthy muscle function
- Current disease modifying treatments have demonstrated minimal dystrophin expression and clinical benefit has not been established.
- Impacts 1 in every 5,000 newborn boys each year; 20,000 new cases annually worldwide.

Potential of PN chemistry demonstrated in preclinical study in dKO mouse model



Note: Untreated, age-matched mdx mice had 100% survival at study termination [not shown]

Clinical trial of WVE-N531 to initiate in 2021

- Unmet need in DMD remains high
- CTA submitted in March 2021 to initiate clinical development
- Clinical trial powered to evaluate change in dystrophin production, and will assess drug concentration in muscle, and initial safety
 - Open-label study; targeting every-other-week administration in up to 15 boys with DMD
- Potential to apply PN chemistry to other exons if successful

Dosing in clinical trial expected to initiate in 2021

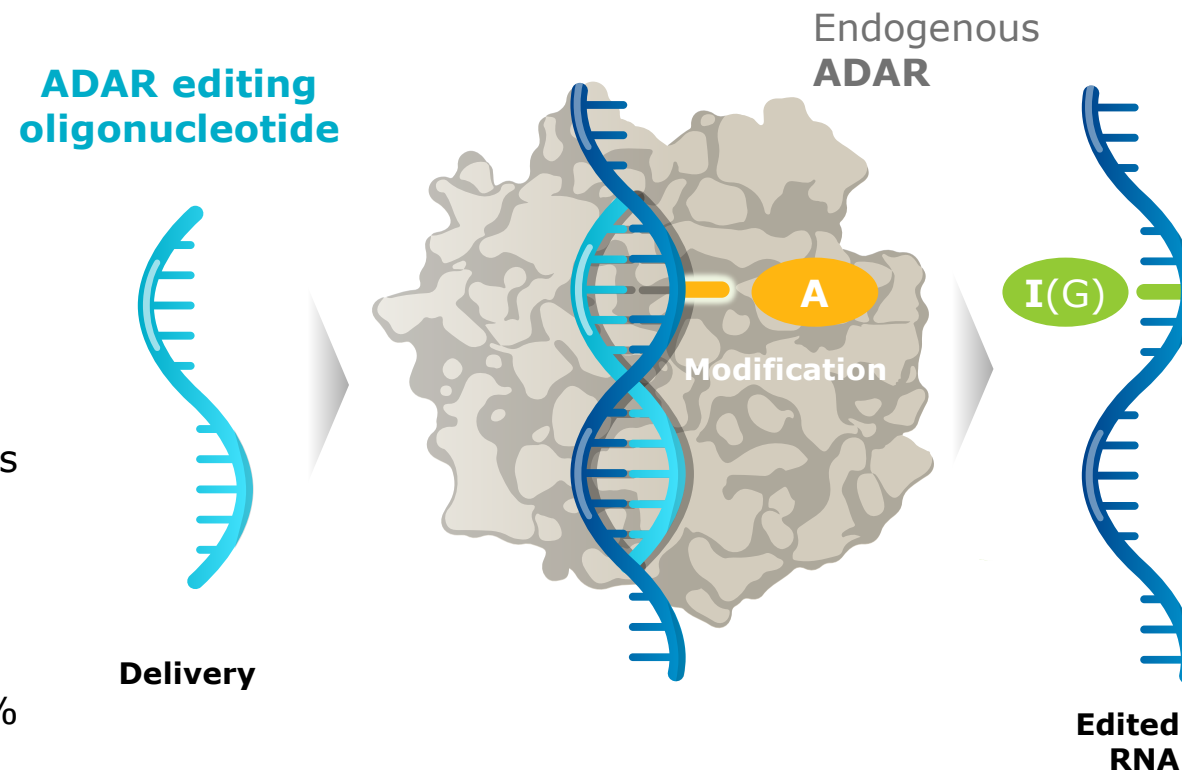


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Versatile platform for ADAR RNA editing

Wave advantage

- **Oligonucleotide chemistry experience**
 - Fully chemically modified to enhance stability
 - Stereopure PN chemistry modifications
- **Simplified approach**
 - Reversible / titratable
 - No requirement for AAV / nanoparticles or exogenous ADAR delivery
- **Breadth of *in vivo* proof-of-concept data**
 - Achieved successful and durable editing of up to 50% in NHPs with GalNAC-conjugated oligonucleotides
 - Developed proprietary transgenic model for PK/PD assessments



RNA editing opens many new therapeutic applications

Restore protein function

- Fix nonsense and missense mutations that cannot be splice-corrected
- Remove stop mutations
- Prevent protein misfolding and aggregation

Examples:

Recessive or dominant genetically defined diseases

- Metabolic Liver Diseases
- Neurodevelopmental Disorders

Modify protein function

- Alter protein processing (e.g. protease cleavage sites)
- Protein-protein interactions domains
- Modulate signaling pathways

Examples:

Ion channel permeability

- Familial Epilepsies
- Neuropathic Pain

Protein upregulation

- miRNA target site modification
- Modifying upstream ORFs
- Modification of ubiquitination sites

Examples:

Haploinsufficient diseases

- Neuromuscular Disorders
- Dementias

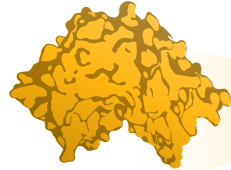
ADAR editing approach may simultaneously address lung and liver manifestation of AATD

Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency (AATD)

Most common cause is mutation in *SERPINA1* Z allele

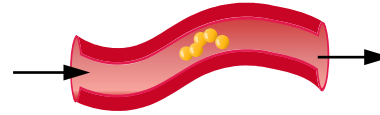
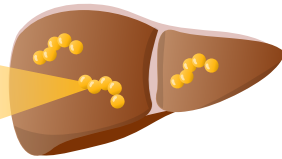


Z-AAT misfolded protein prone to aggregation

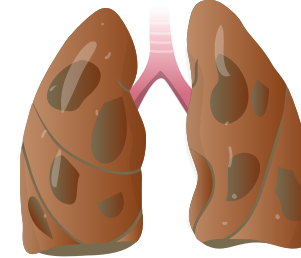


Dual Pathologies in AATD

Inability to secrete polymerized Z-AAT, leading to **liver damage/cirrhosis**



Open to unchecked proteases, leading to inflammation and **lung damage**



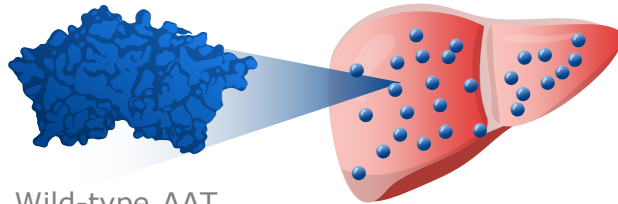
- ~200K people in US and EU with homozygous ZZ genotype, most common form of severe AATD
- Approved therapies modestly increase circulating levels of wild-type AAT in those with lung pathology; no therapies address liver pathology

Wave's ADAR editing approach

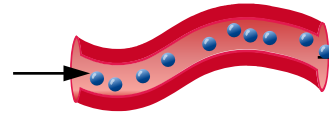
GaINAc oligonucleotide to correct *SERPINA1* Z allele mRNA



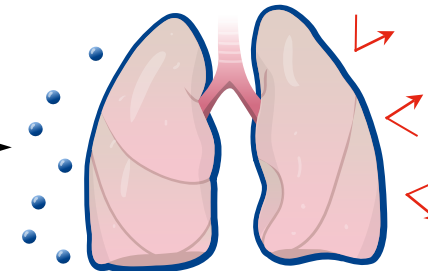
Wild-type AAT protein



Secretion into bloodstream



Lungs protected from proteases



✓ Restores wild-type AAT physiological regulation **in liver**, reducing Z-AAT protein aggregation

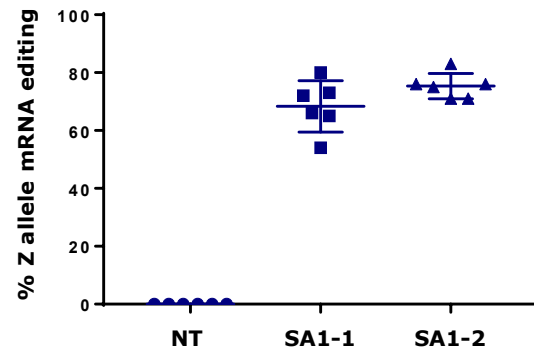
✓ Increases circulating, **lung-bound** wild-type AAT

AATD: Focused on delivering *in vivo* wild-type AAT protein restoration

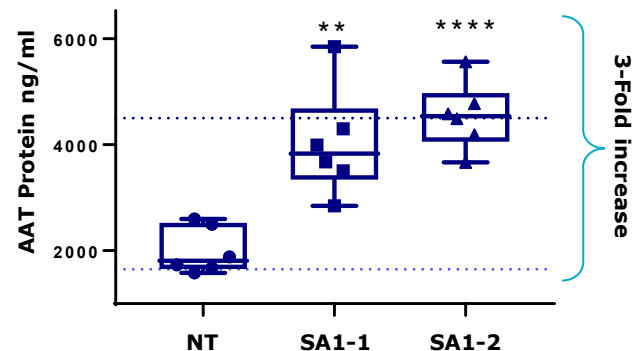
ADAR editing

✓ *In vitro* proof of concept

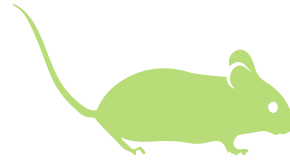
SERPINA1 Z allele mRNA editing



AAT protein concentration in media



✓ Transgenic model development



Protein	Pathology
✓ huADAR	Liver pathology, lower huSERPINA1 serum
✓ SERPINA1	

- Developed proprietary transgenic *in vivo* model to enable PK/PD assessment of human sequences
- Characterization ongoing

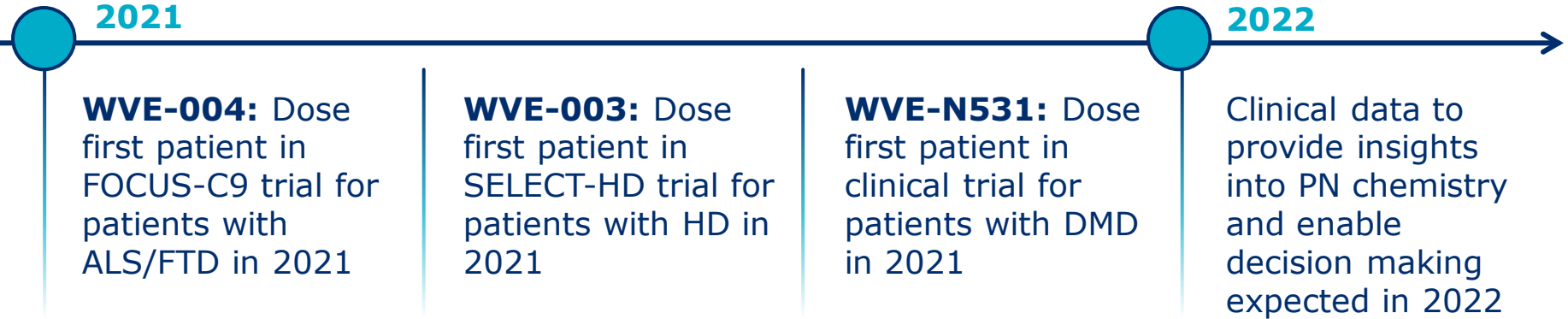
In vivo data

- Evaluated parameters expected to include:
 - SERPINA1-Z allele mRNA editing
 - Secretion and functionality of wild-type AAT protein in serum
 - Reduction in Z-AAT protein aggregates
- *In vivo* data to enable lead candidate optimization and inform preclinical development studies
- Expect to submit *in vivo* data for presentation at scientific congress in 2021

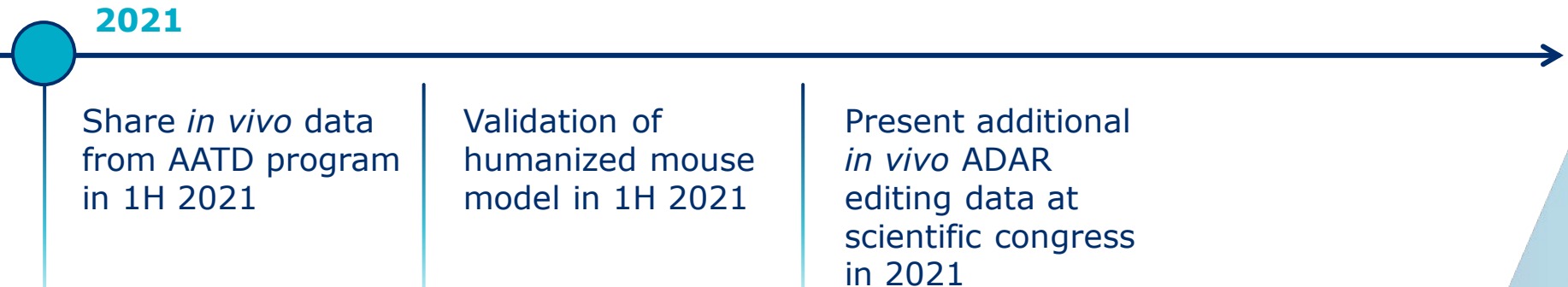
On track to share *in vivo* data in 1H 2021

Continuous flow of data to enable program decisions through 2022

Rapid path to clinical proof of concept



Novel ADAR editing capability advancing





Kyle Moran
Chief Financial Officer

First quarter 2021 financial results

	Three Months Ended Mar 31, 2021	Three Months Ended Mar 31, 2020
<i>Figures are in thousands, except per share amounts</i>		
Revenue	\$0	\$4,161
Operating Expenses:		
Research and Development	33,393	41,158
General and Administrative	10,078	12,996
Total Operating Expenses	43,471	54,154
Loss from Operations	(43,471)	(49,993)
Total Other Income, Net	1,007	2,500
Net Loss	(\$42,464)	(\$47,493)
Net Loss per Share	(\$0.86)	(\$1.38)

As of Mar 31, 2021

Shares Outstanding: 49.9 million

Cash Balance: \$148.5 million



In April 2021, Wave received an additional \$30.0 million in committed research support under its collaboration with Takeda. Wave expects that its existing cash and cash equivalents, together with expected and committed cash from its existing collaboration, will enable the company to fund its operating and capital expenditure requirements into 2Q 2023.

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Realizing a brighter future for people affected by genetic diseases

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