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## Today's speakers



Paul Bolno, MD, MBA President and CEO Vision & Strategy



Chandra Vargeese, PhD
Chief Technology Officer
PRISM Platform Update
ADAR Editing



Kenneth Rhodes, PhD SVP, Therapeutics Discovery Neurology Pipeline C9orf72 Program

### **Conclusion and Q&A**



## Vision and Strategy

Paul Bolno, MD, MBA President and CEO



### Wave Life Sciences

### Building a fully integrated genetic medicines company

**VISION** 



We envision a future in which the diagnosis of a genetically-defined disease leads to effective and available treatment, providing patients and their families the ability to realize a brighter future

MISSION

Apply innovative nucleic acid chemistry and deep biological insights to develop transformative medicines for millions of people living with devastating conditions



### Wave Life Sciences

### Building a fully integrated genetic medicines company

### **Opportunity**

- >6,000 genetically defined diseases
- Increases in genetic testing
- Greater understanding of genetic drivers of disease and definition at molecular level

Many diseases beyond the reach of existing treatments

### Unlocking the genetic medicine opportunity

- Evolution of PRISM
  - Stereochemistry
  - New ADAR editing modality
  - Advances in oligonucleotide design
- Addressing genetic mutations at RNA level
  - Regulate dose and frequency
  - Avoid permanent off-target effects

Leveraging PRISM to derive insights from chemistry and apply them to biology



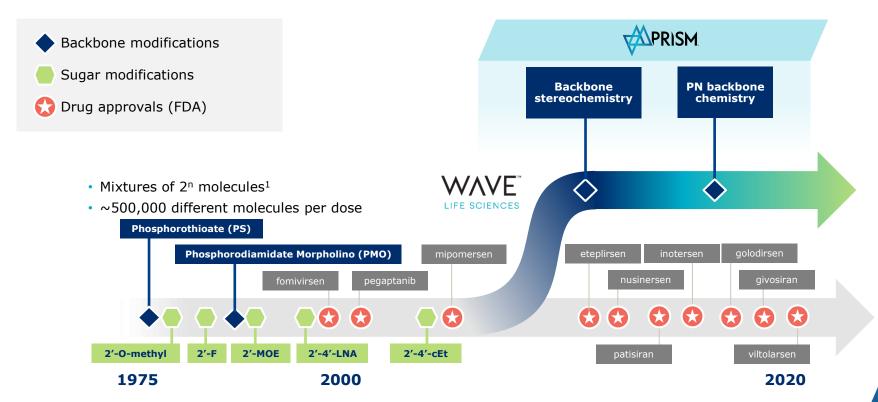
## PRISM platform designed to achieve four goals



- Enable multiple modalities
  Silencing, Splicing, ADAR editing
- Ability to optimize pharmacology
  Potency, Exposure, Durability
- Target engagement across key tissues
- Scalable and cost-effective manufacturing



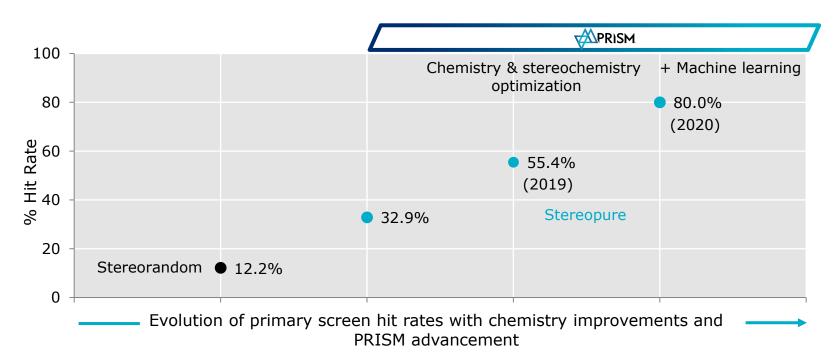
# PRISM has unlocked novel and proprietary advances in oligonucleotide design





## PRISM platform advancements

Primary screen hit rates in neurons far above industry standard hit rates







# Today: Building a fully integrated genetic medicines company focused on neurology

### **Central nervous system**





<2 years exclusivity remaining in collaboration</p>

**Committed cash:** at least \$60M in research support over 4 years

#### Potential additional cash inflows:

Category 1 programs

Six programs: HD (SNP1, SNP2, SNP3) C9-ALS, C9-FTD SCA3

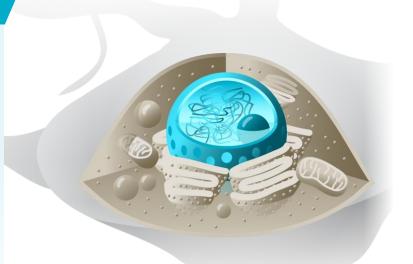
Milestones, global 50:50 profit split

Category 2 programs

Up to six preclinical targets<sup>†</sup>

(Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, other CNS disorders)

>\$1B in precommercial milestones & royalties

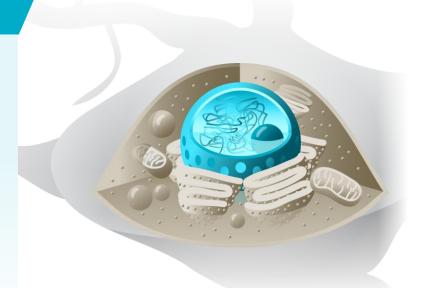




# Looking ahead: Building a fully integrated genetic medicines company focused on neurology

### **Neurology pipeline expansion**

- Employing new chemistries and modalities to expand wholly-owned neurology pipeline
- ADAR editing to access new target classes and new pathways
- PRISM enables access to larger set of potential indications than other existing platforms





# Leveraging platform discovery research to build out areas of potential new biology

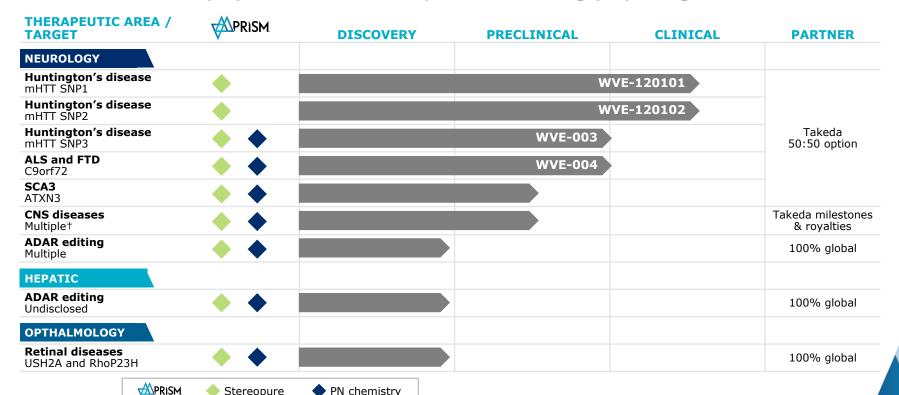
## Opportunities outside of neurology

- Hepatic diseases
- Ophthalmology
- Muscle diseases
- Additional therapeutic areas





## Innovative pipeline led by neurology programs





# Wave Life Sciences: Redefining the potential of RNA therapeutics in neurology

Well positioned to drive near-term value from PRISM Four global clinical neurology programs expected next year, with multiple data readouts by 2022

Positioned to deliver multiple clinical trial applications over the next three years

Leveraging platform to bring new neurology targets, including editing targets in CNS, to clinic

Collaborations to unlock further value



- Continuous learning
- Platform engine delivering new targets



# PRISM Platform Update

Chandra Vargeese, PhD Chief Technology Officer



## PRISM platform enables rational drug design

### Sequence

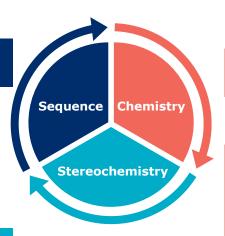
**B**: bases

A, T, C, mC, G, U, other modified bases

Stereochemistry

Chiral control of any stereocenter

5' modifications, backbone modifications



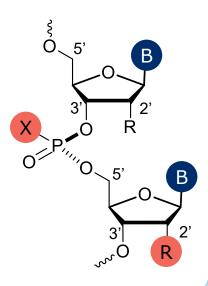
### Chemistry

R: 2' modifications

OMe, MOE, F, other modifications

**X:** backbone chemistry

Phosphodiester (PO), phosphorothioate (PS), other backbone modifications

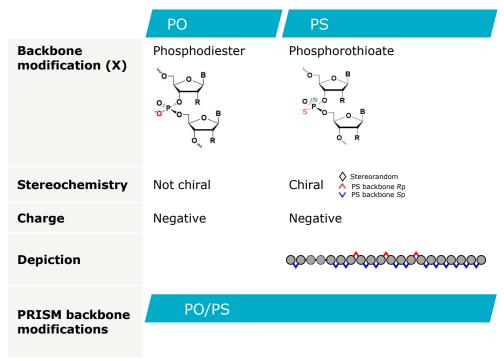


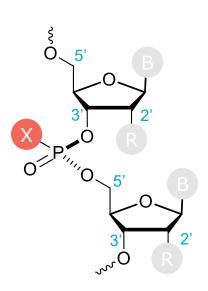




## Focused on backbone chemistry modifications amenable to all modalities

### Backbone linkages



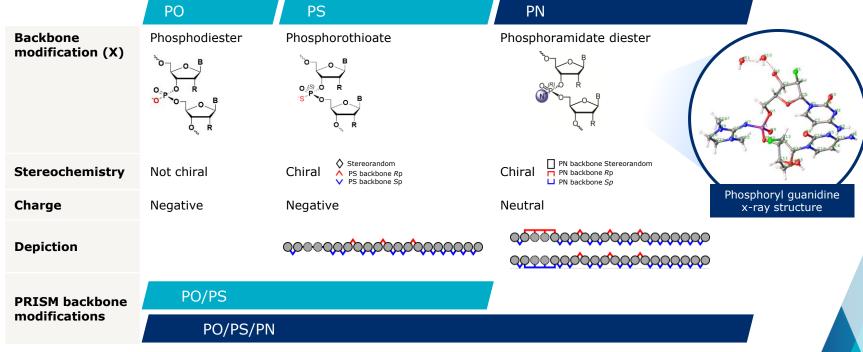






# Expanding repertoire of backbone modifications with novel PN backbone chemistry

### Backbone linkages





# Across many modalities, PN chemistry enhances potency, exposure, and durability

Modality

Silencing

 Efficient engagement of RNase H or Ago2

Efficient uptake in the cell nucleus

Editing

**Splicing** 

 Efficient engagement of ADAR Pharmacology

Potency

 Target knockdown, splicing or editing

Exposure

In the right tissues, cells and cellular compartments

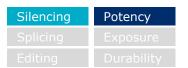
Durability

 Enabling infrequent administration





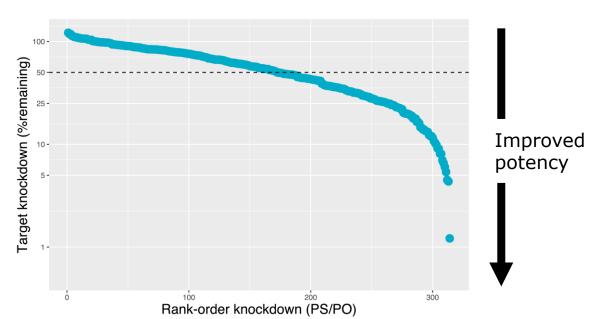
# Screen of stereopure PS/PO molecules ranked by potency



Target knockdown *in vitro* in neurons

PS/PO

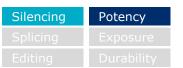
#### In vitro knockdown of PS/PO containing compounds





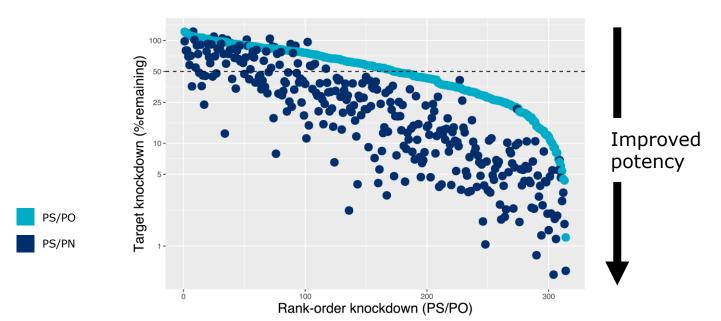


## Rational design using PN chemistry backbone modification increases potency on average



Target knockdown *in vitro* in neurons

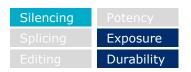
#### In vitro knockdown of PS/PO containing compounds compared to PS/PN compounds



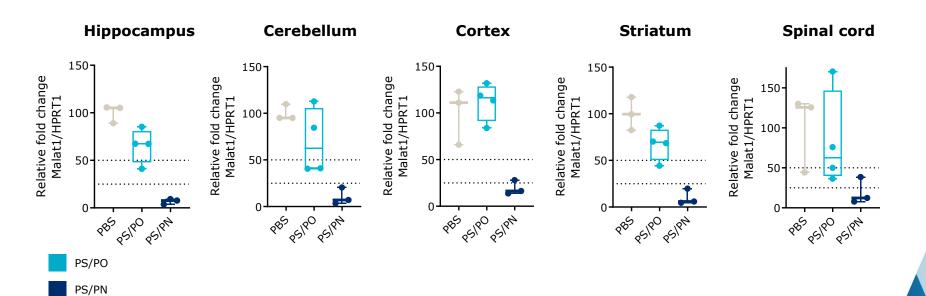




## PN chemistry increases durability across CNS tissues



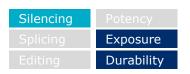
Malat1 knockdown at 10 weeks in CNS (100 μg)



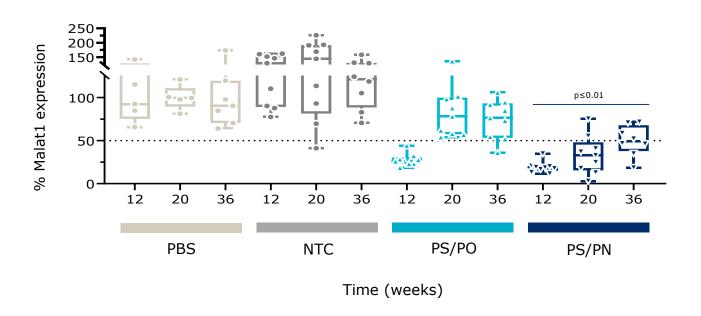




# Durable Malat1 knockdown through 9 months with PN chemistry



~50% Malat1 knockdown at 36 weeks in the posterior of the eye





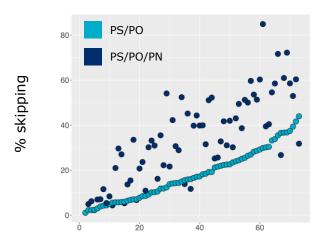




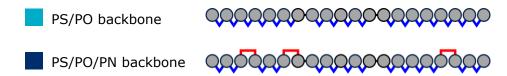
## Improved exon skipping with PN chemistry

Exon skipping plotted for compounds with same sequence

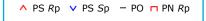
## In vitro skipping efficiency of PS/PO containing compounds compared to PS/PO/PN compounds



Rank-order skipping (PS/PO)



- Exon skipping compounds have same sequence
- PS / PO / PN oligonucleotides have three PN backbone modifications

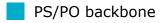






# PN chemistry improves potency and increases cellular uptake in myoblasts



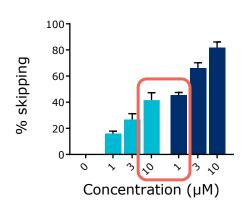




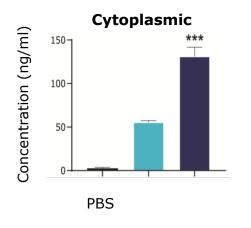
PS/PO/PN backbone

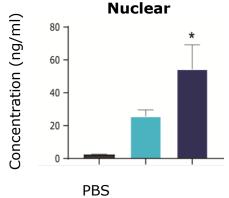


## DMD mRNA skipping (Exon 23, H2K mouse myoblasts)



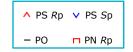
## Cellular uptake (H2K mouse myoblasts)







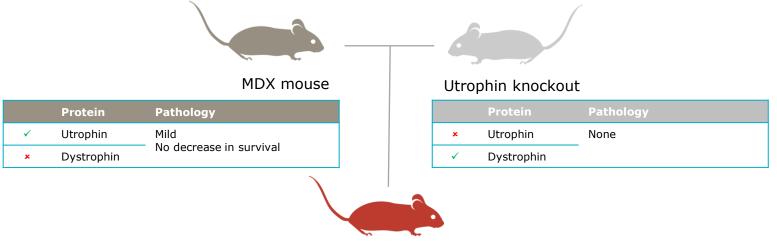
Left: Cultured H2K myoblasts treated with increasing concentrations of PS/PO or PS/PO/PN stereopure oligonucleotide under free-uptake conditions. Skipping efficiency evaluated by TaqMan assay. Right: Cultured H2K cells treated with 0.5 uM oligonucleotide. Uptake quantified in cytoplasmic and nuclear extracts by hybridization ELISA. \*\*:  $P \le 0.01$ , \*\*\*:  $P \le 0.001$ 





## DKO model to assess PN chemistry on survival





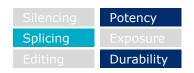
### Double knockout mouse (DKO)

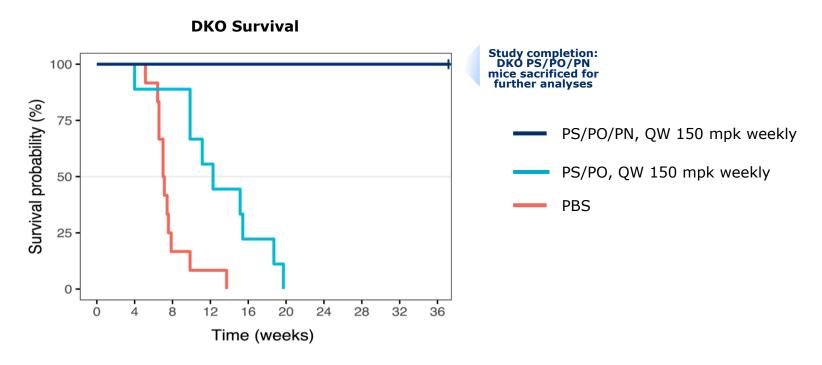
	Protein	Pathology
×	Utrophin	Severe muscular dystrophy Premature death
×	Dystrophin	





# Step-change in survival observed in DKO model using PN chemistry



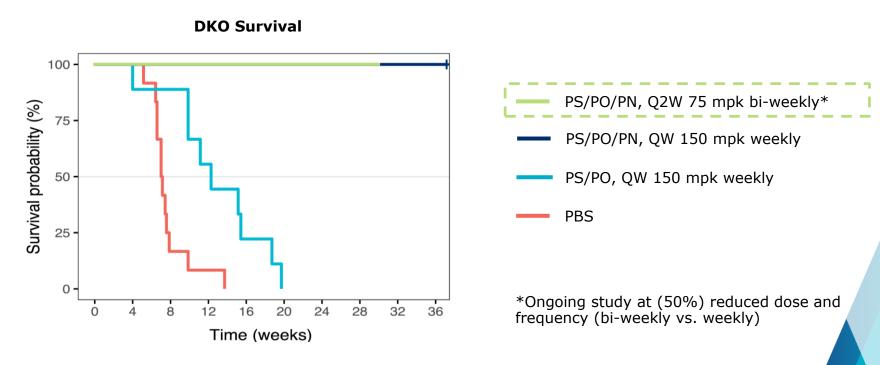






## Similar survival trend observed with 75% less total dose

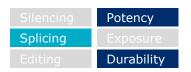








# Restoration of wild-type muscle function using PS/PO/PN compound

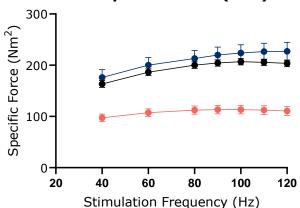


Wild-type(6 week old)

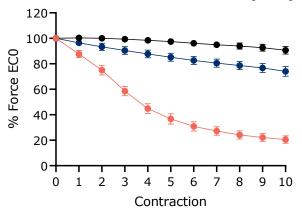
DKO / PBS (6 week old)

DKO PS/PO/PN, QW 150mpk (38-41 week old)

#### **Specific Force (EDL)**



#### **Eccentric Contraction (EDL)**

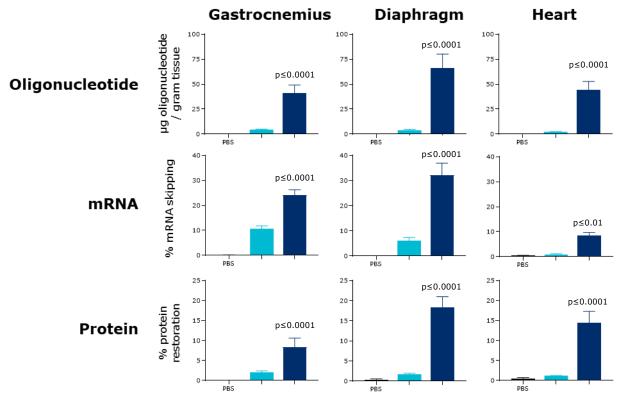






# PN chemistry improves exposure and target engagement in key tissues





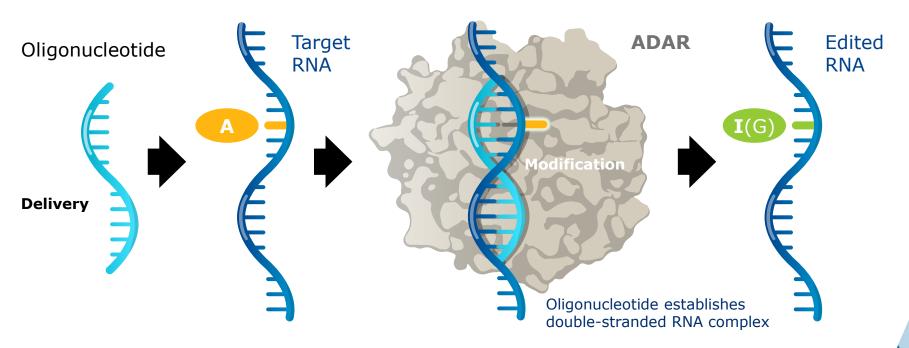






## Silencing Potency Splicing Exposure Editing Durability

## PRISM platform has unlocked ADAR editing



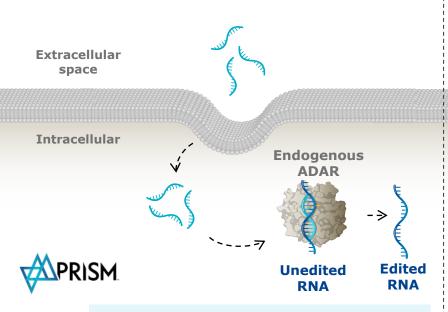
- A-to-I editing is one of most common post-transcriptional modifications
- ADAR is ubiquitously expressed across tissues, including liver and CNS



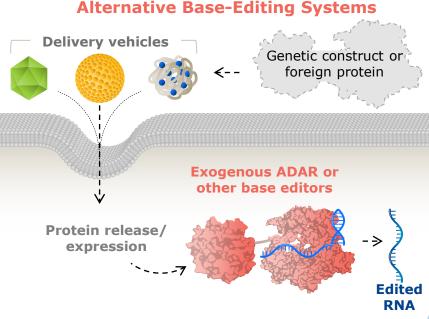
# PRISM enables practical approach to RNA editing without need for viruses or exogenous protein



### **Wave ADAR-editing Oligonucleotides**



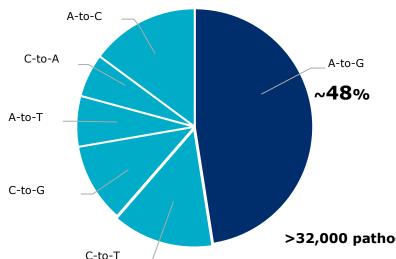
- ✓ No delivery vehicle required
- ✓ No exogenous proteins necessary
- ✓ Potential for reduced off-target effects





# ADAR amenable diseases represent a sizeable opportunity

## Pathogenic human SNPs by base pair corrections



- Nearly half of known human genetic pathogenic SNPs are G-to-A mutations
- Tens of thousands of potential disease variants A-to-I(G) editing could target<sup>1</sup>

>32,000 pathogenic human SNPs<sup>2</sup>





## 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

### **Modify protein function**

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

#### Examples:

Ion channel permeability

### **Protein upregulation**

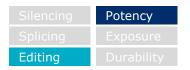
- miRNA target site modification
- Modifying upstream ORFs
- Modification of ubiquitination sites

Examples:

**Haploinsufficient diseases** 



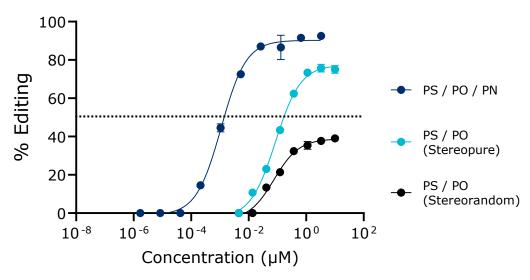




## PN chemistry improves editing efficiency

PN backbone modification increased both potency and editing efficiency in vitro

## ACTB editing in primary human hepatocytes using GalNAc-mediated uptake



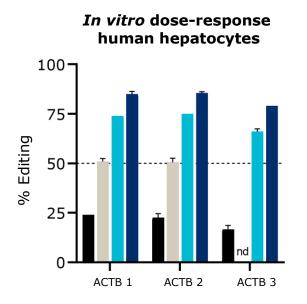


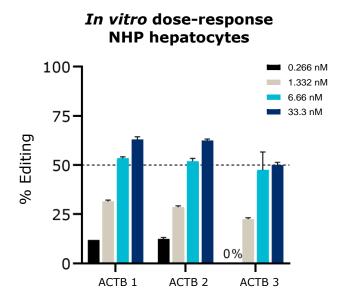


# Significant ADAR editing demonstrated in vitro in NHP and primary human hepatocytes

Silencing Potency
Splicing Exposure
Editing Durability

ACTB GalNAc-conjugated oligonucleotides with stereopure PN chemistry modification

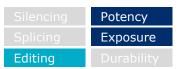








## Efficient ADAR editing translated in vivo in non-human primate study



Up to 50% editing efficiency observed at Day 7, 2 days post last dose

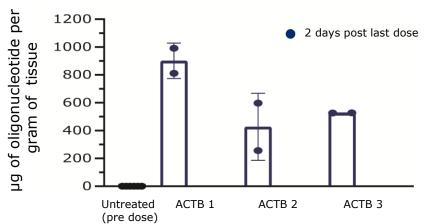
ACTB 3

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ACTB 2

ACTB 1

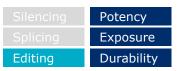
## Oligonucleotide quantification in NHP following subcutaneous administration







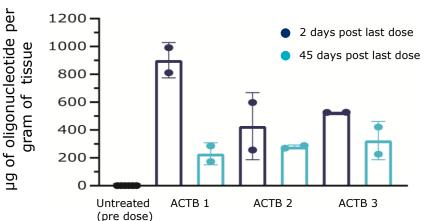
## Sustained editing *in vivo* in non-human primates after 45 days



Substantial and durable editing out to at least Day 50, 45 days post last dose

# In vivo editing in NHP following subcutaneous administration 2 days post last dose 45 days post last dose ACTB 1 ACTB 2 ACTB 3

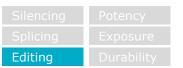
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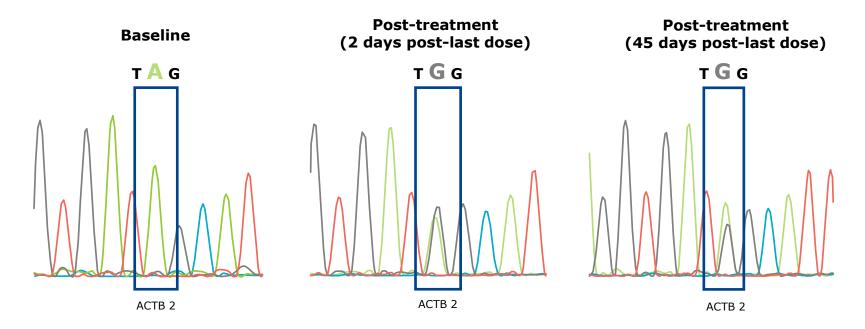




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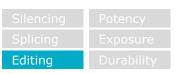
Efficient and potent editing of ACTB demonstrated with Sanger sequencing



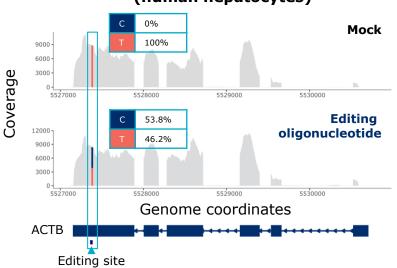




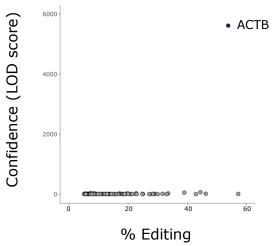
## ADAR editing is highly specific



#### **RNA** editing within ACTB transcript (human hepatocytes)



#### **RNA** editing within transcriptome (human hepatocytes)

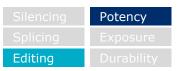








## Efficient and potent editing observed in neurons and astrocytes



#### **ACTB editing in iCell Neurons ACTB editing in human iCell Astrocytes** EC50: 100-100-~200-80 250nM 80 % Editing % Editing 60-60 40 40 20 20 10 0.01 100 10 0.01 0.1 100 Concentration (µM) Concentration (µM) Compound 1 (PS / PN) Compound 2 (PS / PN) Compound 3 (PS / PN)



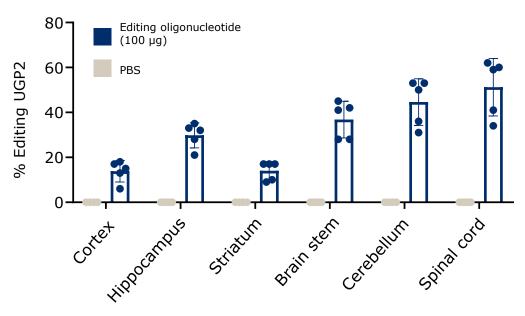


## Silencing Potency Splicing Exposure Editing Durability

### Opening the door to ADAR editing in CNS

First *in vivo* study in proprietary transgenic model yields efficient editing across all tissues

## In vivo CNS editing in proprietary hADAR transgenic mouse (1 week)







#### Continued evolution of PRISM platform

Sustained investment has yielded novel modality and pharmacology advances

- PN chemistry is a novel backbone chemistry modification
  - Preclinical data demonstrates PN chemistry can enhance potency, durability and exposure across three modalities (silencing, splicing, editing)
- Platform innovations have unlocked ADAR editing modality
  - Efficient and durable editing demonstrated in vivo in NHPs
  - Expect to announce first ADAR editing program in a hepatic indication in 2020
- Moving ADAR editing quickly into neurology
  - Editing demonstrated in neurons and astrocytes in vitro and across CNS tissue types in vivo in first transgenic human ADAR mouse study
  - Ongoing work to unlock new neurology targets with ADAR editing



# Neurology Pipeline & C9orf72 Program

Kenneth Rhodes, PhD SVP, Therapeutics Discovery

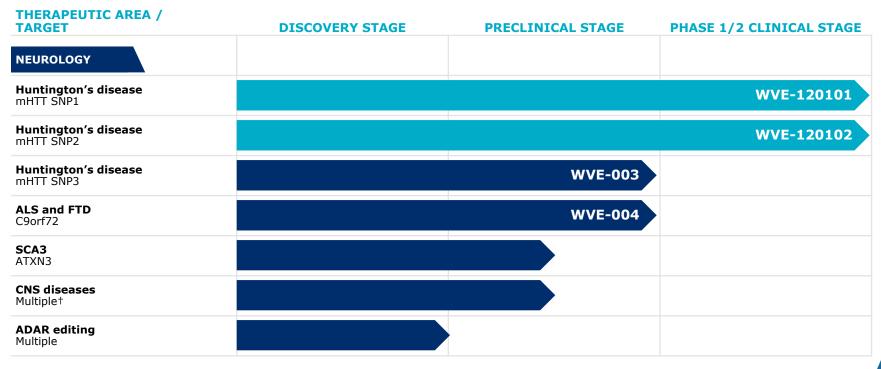


#### Focus on neurological diseases

- Neurological diseases represent one of the greatest medical challenges of our time
- PRISM can deliver oligonucleotide drug candidates that directly address the genetic drivers of neurologic diseases
- PRISM-derived oligonucleotides access neurons and glia without need for transfection, encapsulation or other modifications
- The range of modalities offered by PRISM (silencing, splicing and ADAR editing), unlocks therapeutic opportunities in a broad range of neurological diseases



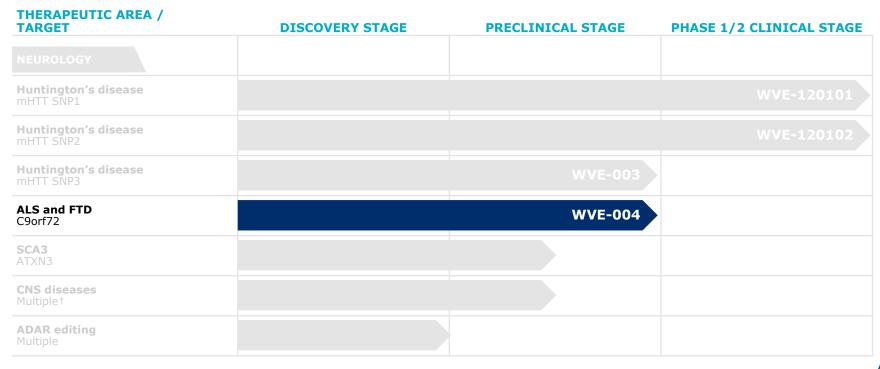
### Diverse pipeline of disease-modifying therapies







#### WVE-004: C9orf72 program for ALS and FTD







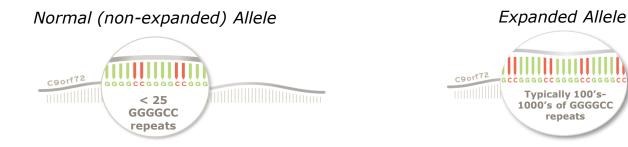
# C9-ALS and C9-FTD: Manifestations of a clinical spectrum

	Disease	C9 specific US population	Mean disease duration	Standard of care
C9-ALS	<ul> <li>Fatal neurodegenerative disease</li> <li>Progressive degeneration of motor neurons in brain and spinal cord</li> </ul>	~2,000	3.1 years	Significant unmet need despite two approved therapies
C9-FTD	<ul> <li>Progressive neuronal atrophy in frontal/temporal cortices</li> <li>Personality and behavioral changes, gradual impairment of language skills</li> </ul>	~10,000	6.4 years	No approved disease modifying therapies

Two devastating diseases with a shared genetic basis



## C9orf72 repeat expansions: A critical genetic driver of ALS and FTD



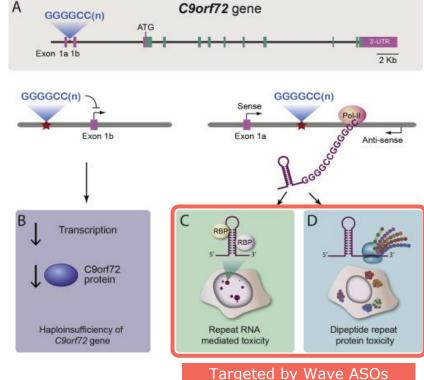
- C9orf72 hexanucleotide repeat expansions (GGGGCC) are the strongest known risk factor for sporadic and inherited forms of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) and Frontotemporal Dementia (FTD)
- The C9orf72 repeat expansions also lead to accumulation of repeat-containing transcripts, nuclear sequestration of RNA binding proteins and synthesis of toxic dipeptide-repeat (DPR) proteins
- The C9orf72 repeat expansions lead to reduced expression of wild-type C9orf72 and to cellular changes that reduce neuronal viability



## C9orf72 repeat expansions: Mechanisms of cellular toxicity

- C9-ALS and C9-FTD may be caused by multiple factors:
  - Insufficient levels of C9orf72 protein
  - Accumulation of repeat-containing RNA transcripts
  - Accumulation of aberrantly translated DPR proteins
- Recent evidence suggests lowering C9orf72 protein exacerbates DPRdependent toxicity

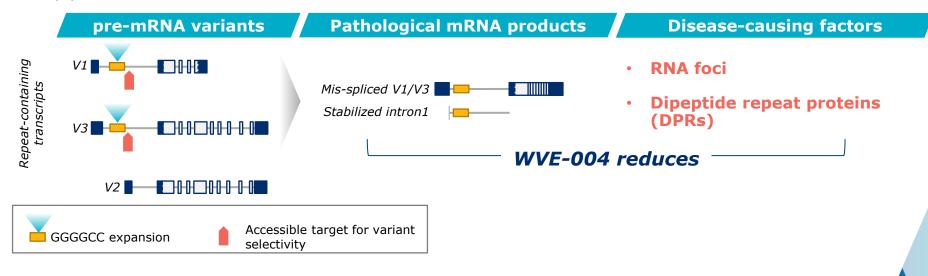
**Variant-selective targeting could** address multiple potential drivers of toxicity





#### C9orf72 targeting strategy spares C9orf72 protein

- Normal C9orf72 allele produces three mRNA transcripts (~80% are V2, ~20% are V1 and V3)
- Pathological allele with expanded repeat leads to healthy V2 and pathological V1 and V3 transcript by-products



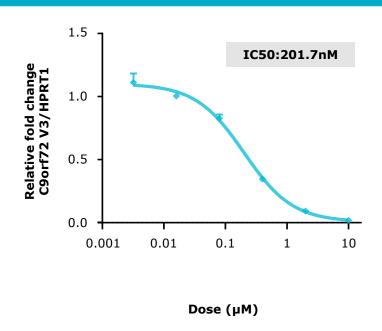


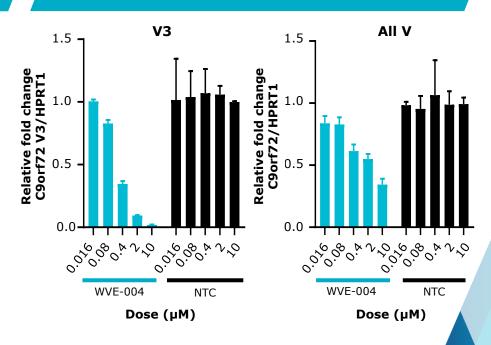
Wave C9orf72 candidate targets <u>only</u> V1 and V3 transcripts, sparing V2 transcripts and healthy C9orf72 protein

# WVE-004: Potent and selective knockdown of repeat-containing transcripts *in vitro*

#### In vitro activity in C9 patient-derived neurons

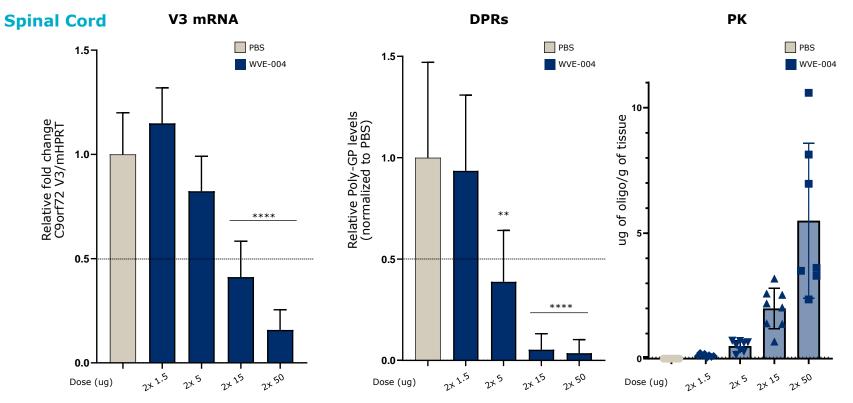
#### In vitro selectivity in C9 patient-derived neurons







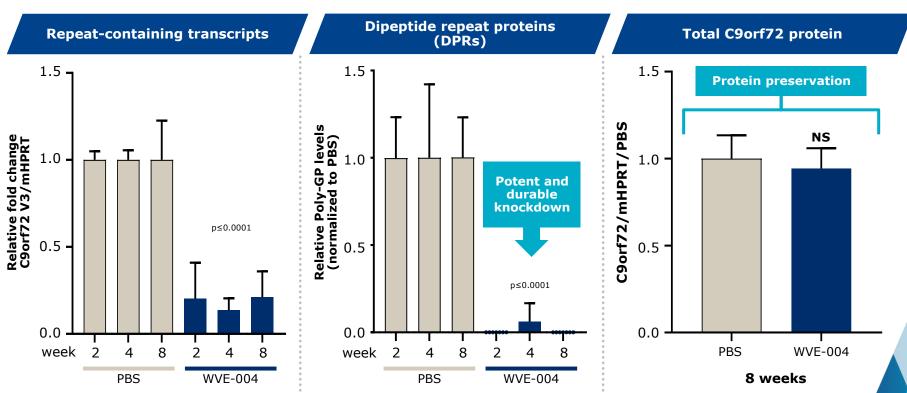
## WVE-004 shows dose dependent knockdown of V3 mRNA and DPRs in C9 transgenic mouse model



WAVE C9 BAC transgenic mice were administered two times with PBS, 1.5ug, 5ug, 15ug or 50ug of WVE-004 on day 0 and day 7. Mice were euthanized 6 weeks after first injection. Taqman qPCR assay used to evaluate V3 transcripts. MSD assay used to detect ploy-GP protein. Hybridization Elisa used to detect ASO exposure.

\*\*IFE SCIENCES \*\*: P ≤ 0.01, \*\*\*: P ≤ 0.001, \*\*\*\*: P ≤ 0.0001; DPR: dipeptide repeat protein; PK: pharmacokinetics

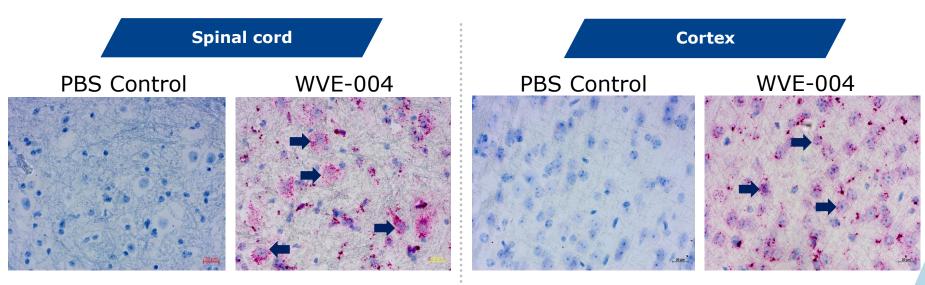
# WVE-004: Potent and selective knockdown of repeat transcripts and DPRs in spinal cord





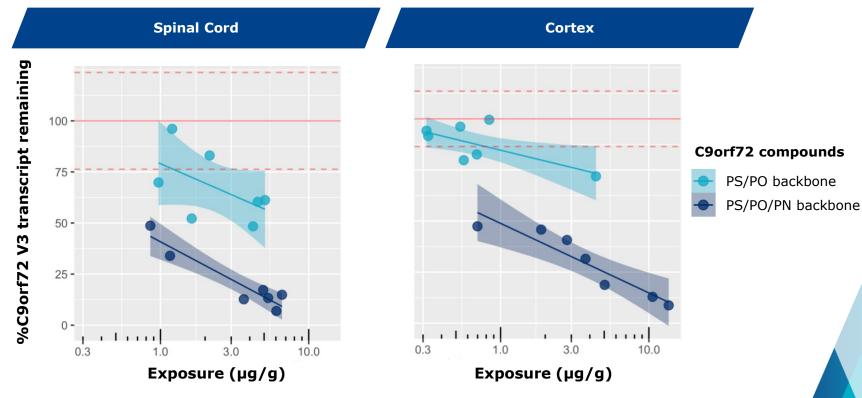
# WVE-004 reaches target brain regions and cell types *in vivo*

In situ hybridization of WVE-004 in spinal cord and cortex at 8 weeks





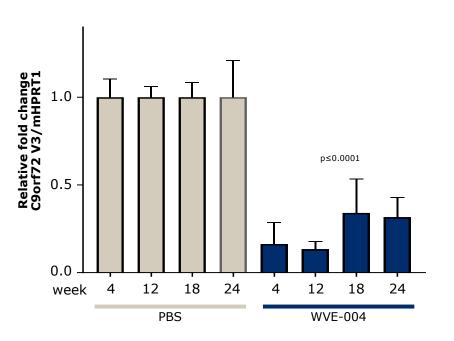
## PN backbone chemistry: Improved potency among C9orf72-targeting oligonucleotides *in vivo*

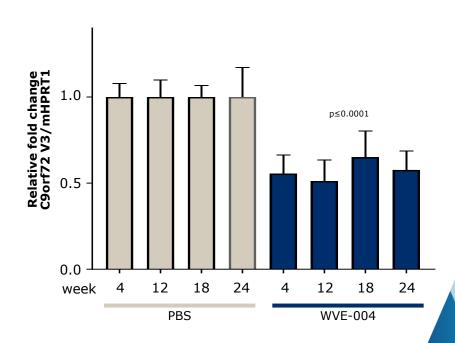




# Durable knockdown of repeat transcripts in vivo after 6 months in spinal cord and cortex

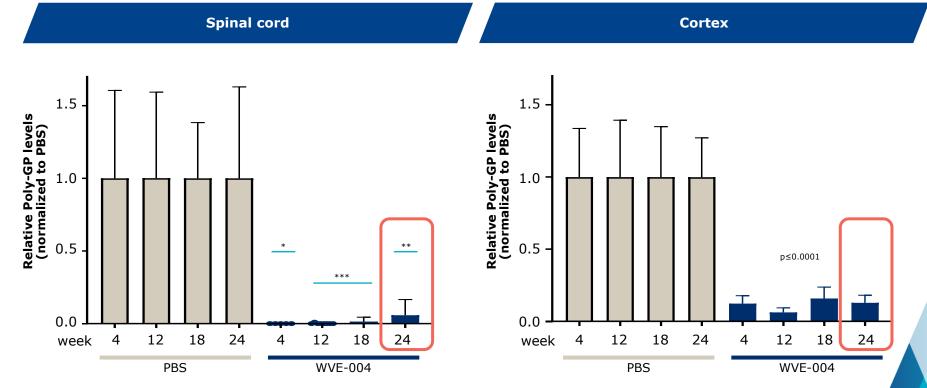
Spinal cord Cortex







# Durable knockdown of DPRs in vivo after 6 months in spinal cord and cortex





## WVE-004 proof-of-concept study to include both ALS and FTD patients

- Patients with documented C9orf72 expansion and confirmed ALS or FTD diagnosis
- Single and multiple ascending doses to be explored
- Safety and tolerability
- Pharmacodynamic effects on key biomarkers while on treatment
  - PolyGP
  - NfL
- Key exploratory clinical outcome measures
  - ALSFRS-R and CDR-FTLD

#### CTA submission expected in 4Q 2020



## PRISM platform enables further pipeline expansion in neurology



#### **PRISM** modalities

- Silencing
- Editing
- Splicing

#### **PRISM** evolution

- Stereochemistry
- PN backbone chemistry

## Wave & Takeda CNS programs

- Multiple Category 2 programs ongoing<sup>†</sup>
- Novel PN chemistry an important tool

Unlocking new targets in neurological diseases

Focus on genetically validated mechanisms and diseases with high unmet need



## Conclusion

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# Wave Life Sciences: Redefining the potential of RNA therapeutics in neurology

Well positioned to drive near-term value from PRISM Four global clinical neurology programs expected next year, with multiple data readouts by 2022

Positioned to deliver multiple clinical trial applications over the next three years

Leveraging platform to bring new neurology targets, including editing targets in CNS, to clinic

Collaborations to unlock further value



- Continuous learning
- Platform engine delivering new targets





