

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 3, 2023

WAVE LIFE SCIENCES LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Singapore
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-37627
(Commission
File Number)

98-1356880
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

7 Straits View #12-00, Marina One
East Tower
Singapore
(Address of principal executive offices)

018936
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +65 6236 3388

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
\$0 Par Value Ordinary Shares	WVE	The Nasdaq Global Market

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 3, 2023, Wave Life Sciences Ltd. (the “Company”) announced its financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2023. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

From time to time, the Company presents and/or distributes slides and presentations to the investment community to provide updates and summaries of its business. On August 3, 2023, the Company updated its corporate presentation, which is available on the “For Investors & Media” section of the Company’s website at <http://ir.wavelifesciences.com/>. This presentation is also furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K

The information in these Items 2.02 and 7.01 are being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall they be deemed incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits relating to Items 2.02 and 7.01 are furnished and not filed:

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release issued by Wave Life Sciences Ltd. dated August 3, 2023
99.2	Corporate Presentation of Wave Life Sciences Ltd. dated August 3, 2023
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURES

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

WAVE LIFE SCIENCES LTD.

By: /s/ Paul B. Bolno, M.D.

Paul B. Bolno, M.D.

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: August 3, 2023



Wave Life Sciences Reports Second Quarter 2023 Financial Results and Provides Business Update

Preparing for imminent submission of clinical trial applications (CTAs) for GalNAc-conjugated AATD candidate (WVE-006), the industry's first RNA editing clinical candidate

Novel DMD therapeutic candidate (WVE-N531) with best-in-class exon skipping clinical data is on track to enter a potentially registrational Phase 2 clinical study in 2H 2023, with dystrophin data expected in 2024

"R&D Day" virtual event planned for September 28, 2023; will focus on Wave's leading RNA editing capability and highlight its current and future pipeline of transformative RNA medicines

Cash and cash equivalents of \$173.0 million as of June 30, 2023, with runway expected into 2025, plus additional potential milestone payments from GSK collaboration in 2023 and beyond

Investor conference call and webcast at 8:30 a.m. ET today

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., August 3, 2023 — Wave Life Sciences Ltd. (Nasdaq: WVE), a clinical-stage RNA medicines company committed to delivering life-changing treatments for people battling devastating diseases, today announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2023, and provided a business update.

"In the second quarter, we continued to rapidly advance our pipeline of RNA medicines towards meaningful inflection points. We are on the cusp of moving the industry's first RNA editing therapeutic candidate, WVE-006 for alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency or AATD, into the clinic, which will mark an important milestone not only for Wave, but also for individuals living with AATD and the entire RNA medicines field. WVE-006 has the potential to transform the standard of care for people living with AATD, and the goal of our initial clinical trial will be delivering early clinical proof-of-concept via measurement of validated serum surrogate markers," said Paul Bolno, MD, MBA, President and Chief Executive Officer of Wave Life Sciences. "While we were disappointed to discontinue WVE-004 for C9-ALS and FTD in the second quarter, we did see successful translation of our preclinical pharmacodynamic effects to clinical biomarker effects, including robust, sustained reductions of up to 50% in poly(GP) with multiple doses. These results are also important validation of our PN chemistry, which is encouraging for our current and upcoming clinical programs, including in DMD, HD, and AATD."

Dr. Bolno continued: "Momentum is building rapidly in our collaboration with GSK, which kicked off at the start of this year, and we are actively working on multiple targets while leveraging proprietary genetic insights through the collaboration. We are excited to share new data on RNA editing disease targets at our annual 'R&D Day' virtual event in September. Wave is well-capitalized to leverage our unique, multimodal platform to develop novel RNA medicines and deliver on a steady cadence of clinical data through 2024 and beyond."

Recent Business Highlights

- **Presented new preclinical data for WVE-006 supporting its potential to be a first-and best-in-class treatment for alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency (AATD).** In May 2023, at the American Society of Gene & Cell Therapy (ASGCT) Annual Meeting, Wave presented data demonstrating that treatment with WVE-006 improved several markers of liver disease in mice, including a decrease in liver inflammation and hepatocyte turnover and reduction in the size of PAS-D positive globules. WVE-006 is uniquely designed to address both liver and lung disease related to AATD and is poised to be the industry's first RNA editing candidate to reach the clinic. The company expects to submit clinical trial applications (CTAs) for WVE-006 imminently.
- **Highlighted clinical data for WVE-N531 to DMD community at Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy (PPMD) Annual Conference.** In June 2023, in an oral presentation at the PPMD Conference, Wave highlighted its clinical data from the proof-of-concept study of WVE-N531, including the highest level of exon skipping seen in any DMD trial, high muscle concentrations, and a safe and tolerable profile. Wave is on track to initiate dosing in Part B, a potentially registrational Phase 2 trial of WVE-N531, in 2023, which will be powered to evaluate functional dystrophin expression following 24 and 48 weeks of biweekly dosing. The primary endpoint will be dystrophin protein levels, and the study will also evaluate safety and tolerability, pharmacokinetics, and functional endpoints. Data are expected in 2024. If successful, WVE-N531 has potential to become a near-term wholly owned commercial opportunity for Wave and would enable accelerated development of additional exon skipping candidates for other mutations.
- **Multi-dose portion of SELECT-HD study of WVE-003 for HD underway.** In the second quarter, Wave initiated the multi-dose portion of its ongoing Phase 1b/2a SELECT-HD clinical trial of WVE-003 (allele-selective silencing oligonucleotide) for Huntington's disease, and dosing is currently underway.
- **Emerging best-in-class siRNA designs highlighted at ASGCT.** Also at the May 2023 ASGCT Annual Meeting, Wave highlighted its novel siRNA formats in a poster presentation titled "PN modification of stereopure GalNAc-siRNAs enhances durability of human HSD17B13 silencing in transgenic mouse model." Wave's GalNAc-siRNAs were more potent and had better durability of effect in mice compared with reference GalNAc-siRNA designs, which were driven by improved Ago2 loading. These data were also included in Wave's *Nucleic Acids Research* publication from April 2023, which can be accessed [here](#).
- **Wave Life Sciences added to Russell Indexes.** In June 2023, the company joined the Russell 2000® and Russell 3000® Indexes as part of the annual reconstitution.

Anticipated Upcoming Milestones and Events

WVE-N531 for DMD:

- Initiate dosing in Part B of potentially registrational Phase 2 clinical trial in 2023
- Deliver data from Part B in 2024

WVE-006 for AATD:

- Submit CTAs for first-in-human study in 2H 2023

WVE-003 for HD:

- Deliver additional single-dose and available multi-dose biomarker and safety clinical data in 2H 2023

Platform and Pipeline:

- "R&D Day" virtual event to be held on September 28, 2023, during which Wave will demonstrate how it is continuing to extend its leadership in RNA editing and share preclinical data on new wholly owned programs

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- Advance collaboration activities with GSK, with potential for additional cash inflows in 2023 and beyond

Second Quarter 2023 Financial Results

Wave reported a net loss of \$21.1 million in the second quarter of 2023, as compared to \$41.3 million in the same period in 2022. The decrease in net loss year-over-year was primarily driven by revenue recognized under the company's collaboration with GSK, which became effective January 27, 2023. Revenue recognized under the GSK and Takeda collaborations in the second quarter of 2023 was \$22.1 million. During the second quarter of 2022, revenue of \$0.4 million was recognized under the Takeda collaboration.

Research and development expenses were \$33.3 million in the second quarter of 2023, as compared to \$29.7 million in the same period in 2022. The increase in research and development expenses was primarily due to increased external expenses related to Wave's clinical programs.

General and administrative expenses were \$12.3 million in the second quarter of 2023, as compared to \$12.8 million in the same period in 2022, primarily due to a decrease in share-based compensation.

As of June 30, 2023, Wave had \$173.0 million in cash and cash equivalents, as compared to \$88.5 million as of December 31, 2022. The company expects that its current cash and cash equivalents will be sufficient to fund operations into 2025.

Investor Conference Call and Webcast

Wave will host an investor conference call today at 8:30 a.m. ET to review second quarter 2023 financial results and pipeline updates. A webcast of the conference call can be accessed by visiting "Investor Events" on the investor relations section of the Wave Life Sciences website: <https://ir.wavelifesciences.com/events-and-presentations>. Analysts planning to participate during the Q&A portion of the live call can join the conference call at the following audio-conferencing link: [available here](#). Once registered, participants will receive the dial-in information. Following the live event, an archived version of the webcast will be available on the Wave Life Sciences website.

About Wave Life Sciences

Wave Life Sciences (Nasdaq: WVE) is a clinical-stage RNA medicines company committed to delivering life-changing treatments for people battling devastating diseases. Wave aspires to develop best-in-class medicines across multiple therapeutic modalities using PRISM, the company's proprietary discovery and drug development platform that enables the precise design, optimization, and production of stereopure oligonucleotides. Driven by a resolute sense of urgency, the Wave team is targeting a broad range of genetically defined diseases so that patients and families may realize a brighter future. To find out more, please visit www.wavelifesciences.com and follow Wave on Twitter [@WaveLifeSci](https://twitter.com/WaveLifeSci).

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements concerning our goals, beliefs, expectations, strategies, objectives and plans, and other statements that are not necessarily based on historical facts, including statements regarding the following, among others: the anticipated initiation, site activation, patient recruitment, patient enrollment, dosing, generation of data and completion of our clinical trials, and the announcement of such events; the protocol, design and endpoints of our clinical trials; the future performance and results of our programs in clinical trials; future preclinical activities and programs; regulatory submissions; the progress and potential benefits of our collaborations; the potential achievement of milestones under our collaborations and receipt of cash payments therefor; the potential of our preclinical data to predict the behavior of our compounds in humans; our identification and expected timing of future product candidates and their therapeutic potential; the anticipated benefits of our therapeutic candidates compared to others; our ability to design compounds using multiple modalities and the anticipated benefits of that approach; the breadth and versatility of PRISM; the expected benefits of our stereopure oligonucleotides compared with stereorandom oligonucleotides; the potential benefits of our RNA editing capability, including our AIMers, compared to others; the status and progress of our programs relative to potential competitors; anticipated benefits of our proprietary manufacturing processes and our internal manufacturing capabilities; the benefit of nucleic acid therapeutics generally; the strength of our intellectual property and the data that support our IP; the anticipated duration of our cash runway; our intended uses of capital; and our expectations regarding any potential global macro events beyond our control on our business. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by these forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including the following: our ability to finance our drug discovery and development efforts and to raise additional capital when needed; the ability of our preclinical programs to produce data sufficient to support our clinical trial applications and the timing thereof; the clinical results of our programs and the timing thereof, which may not support further development of our product candidates; actions of regulatory authorities and their receptiveness to our adaptive trial designs, which may affect the initiation, timing and progress of clinical trials; our effectiveness in managing regulatory interactions and future clinical trials; the effectiveness of PRISM; the effectiveness of our RNA editing capability and our AIMers; our ability to demonstrate the therapeutic benefits of our candidates in clinical trials, including our ability to develop candidates across multiple therapeutic modalities; our dependence on third parties, including contract research organizations, contract manufacturing organizations, collaborators and partners; our ability to manufacture or contract with third parties to manufacture drug material to support our programs and growth; our ability to obtain, maintain and protect our intellectual property; our ability to enforce our patents against infringers and defend our patent portfolio against challenges from third parties; competition from others developing therapies for the indications we are pursuing; our ability to maintain the company infrastructure and personnel needed to achieve our goals; and the information under the caption "Risk Factors" contained in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and in other filings we make with the SEC from time to time. We undertake no obligation to update the information contained in this press release to reflect subsequently occurring events or circumstances.

WAVE LIFE SCIENCES LTD.
UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share amounts)

	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>December 31, 2022</u>
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 172,974	\$ 88,497
Prepaid expenses	9,012	7,932
Other current assets	2,722	2,108
Total current assets	<u>184,708</u>	<u>98,537</u>
Long-term assets:		
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$40,423 and \$37,846 as of June 30, 2023, and December 31, 2022, respectively	14,983	17,284
Operating lease right-of-use assets	24,805	26,843
Restricted cash	3,668	3,660
Other assets	1,821	62
Total long-term assets	<u>45,277</u>	<u>47,849</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 229,985</u>	<u>\$ 146,386</u>
Liabilities, Series A preferred shares and shareholders' equity (deficit)		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 12,379	\$ 16,915
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	10,429	17,552
Current portion of deferred revenue	111,133	31,558
Current portion of operating lease liability	6,285	5,496
Total current liabilities	<u>140,226</u>	<u>71,521</u>
Long-term liabilities:		
Deferred revenue, net of current portion	104,540	79,774
Operating lease liability, net of current portion	28,875	32,118
Other liabilities	190	190
Total long-term liabilities	<u>133,605</u>	<u>112,082</u>
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 273,831</u>	<u>\$ 183,603</u>
Series A preferred shares, no par value; 3,901,348 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2023, and December 31, 2022	<u>\$ 7,874</u>	<u>\$ 7,874</u>
Shareholders' equity (deficit):		
Ordinary shares, no par value; 98,566,816 and 86,924,643 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2023, and December 31, 2022, respectively	\$ 839,675	\$ 802,833
Additional paid-in capital	124,601	119,442
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(150)	(29)
Accumulated deficit	(1,015,846)	(967,337)
Total shareholders' equity (deficit)	<u>\$ (51,720)</u>	<u>\$ (45,091)</u>
Total liabilities, Series A preferred shares and shareholders' equity (deficit)	<u>\$ 229,985</u>	<u>\$ 146,386</u>

WAVE LIFE SCIENCES LTD.
UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	<u>Three Months Ended June 30,</u>		<u>Six Months Ended June 30,</u>	
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Revenue	\$ 22,106	\$ 375	\$ 35,035	\$ 2,125
Operating expenses:				
Research and development	33,314	29,733	64,293	57,203
General and administrative	12,265	12,806	24,500	25,180
Total operating expenses	45,579	42,539	88,793	82,383
Loss from operations	(23,473)	(42,164)	(53,758)	(80,258)
Other income, net:				
Dividend income and interest income, net	2,251	124	4,124	150
Other income, net	118	744	1,125	998
Total other income, net	2,369	868	5,249	1,148
Loss before income taxes	(21,104)	(41,296)	(48,509)	(79,110)
Income tax provision	—	—	—	—
Net loss	\$ (21,104)	\$ (41,296)	\$ (48,509)	\$ (79,110)
Net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders—basic and diluted	\$ (0.20)	\$ (0.62)	\$ (0.47)	\$ (1.25)
Weighted-average ordinary shares used in computing net loss per share attributable to ordinary shareholders—basic and diluted	105,462,414	66,479,293	103,768,971	63,514,426
Other comprehensive loss:				
Net loss	\$ (21,104)	\$ (41,296)	\$ (48,509)	\$ (79,110)
Foreign currency translation	(100)	(142)	(121)	(228)
Comprehensive loss	\$ (21,204)	\$ (41,438)	\$ (48,630)	\$ (79,338)

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Wave Life Sciences Corporate Presentation

August 3, 2023



Forward-looking statements

This document contains forward-looking statements. All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this document, including statements regarding possible or assumed future results of operations, preclinical and clinical studies, business strategies, research and development plans, collaborations and partnerships, regulatory activities and timing thereof, competitive position, potential growth opportunities, use of proceeds and the effects of competition are forward-looking statements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Wave Life Sciences Ltd. (the "Company") to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terms such as "may," "will," "should," "expect," "plan," "aim," "anticipate," "could," "intend," "target," "project," "contemplate," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "potential" or "continue" or the negative of these terms or other similar expressions. The forward-looking statements in this presentation are only predictions. The Company has based these forward-looking statements largely on its current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that it believes may affect the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this presentation and are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including those listed under Risk Factors in the Company's Form 10-K and other filings with the SEC, some of which cannot be predicted or quantified and some of which are beyond the Company's control. The events and circumstances reflected in the Company's forward-looking statements may not be achieved or occur, and actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. Moreover, the Company operates in a dynamic industry and economy. New risk factors and uncertainties may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for management to predict all risk factors and uncertainties that the Company may face. Except as required by applicable law, the Company does not plan to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements contained herein, whether as a result of any new information, future events, changed circumstances or otherwise.



Emerging leader in RNA medicines

Multi-modal drug discovery and development platform to address new areas of disease biology

RNA editing, splicing and silencing

Differentiated, clinical-stage RNA medicines pipeline with first-in-class RNA editing programs

Strategic collaborations to expand and advance pipeline (GSK and Takeda)

Multiple pipeline and platform catalysts expected in 2023 and beyond

Well-capitalized with expected cash runway into 2025

GMP manufacturing

Strong and broad IP position

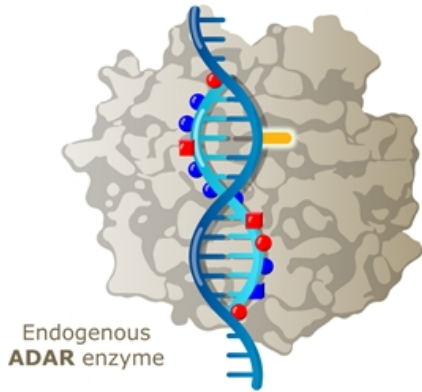


Wave Life Sciences is an RNA medicines company committed to delivering life-changing treatments for people battling devastating diseases

RNA medicines allow matching disease target to therapeutic modality

RNA Base Editing

- Efficient editing of RNA bases to **restore** or **modulate** protein production

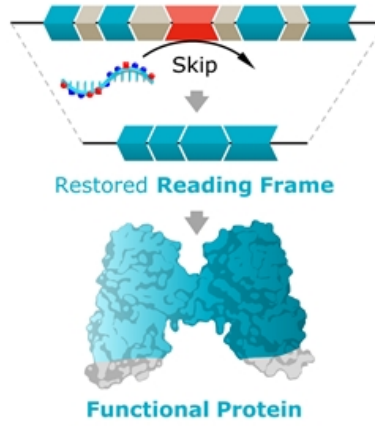


Endogenous
ADAR enzyme

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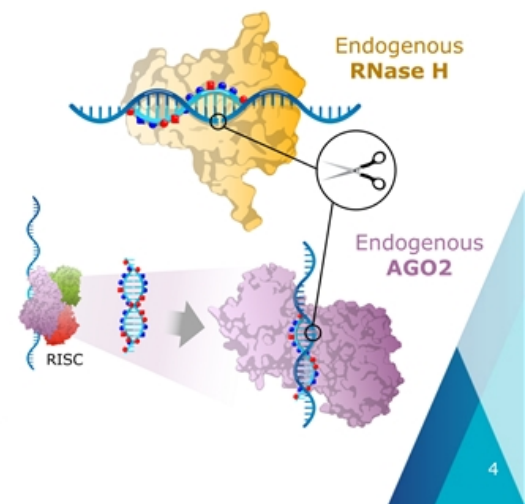
Splicing

- Restore RNA transcripts and **turn on** protein production



Silencing

- Degradation of RNA transcripts to **turn off** protein production



Potential for best-in-class RNAi enabled by Wave's PRISM platform

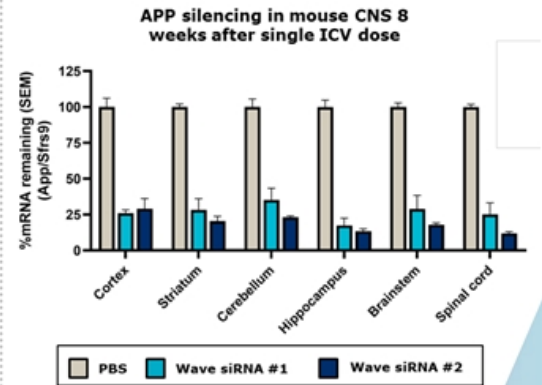
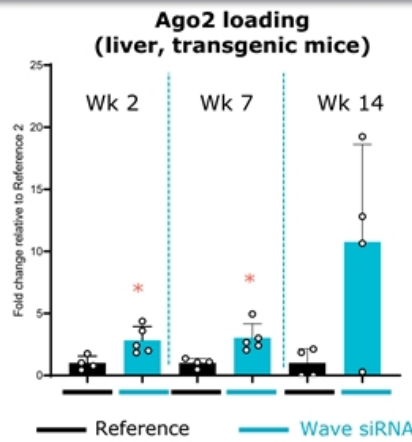
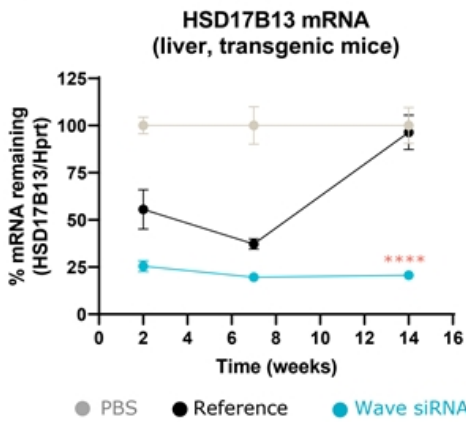


Nucleic Acids Research

Impact of stereopure chimeric backbone chemistries on the potency and durability of gene silencing by RNA interference

- Unprecedented Ago2 loading following administration of single subcutaneous dose

- First *in vivo* study of unconjugated siRNAs demonstrated 70-90% APP silencing across six brain regions in mouse CNS at 8 weeks

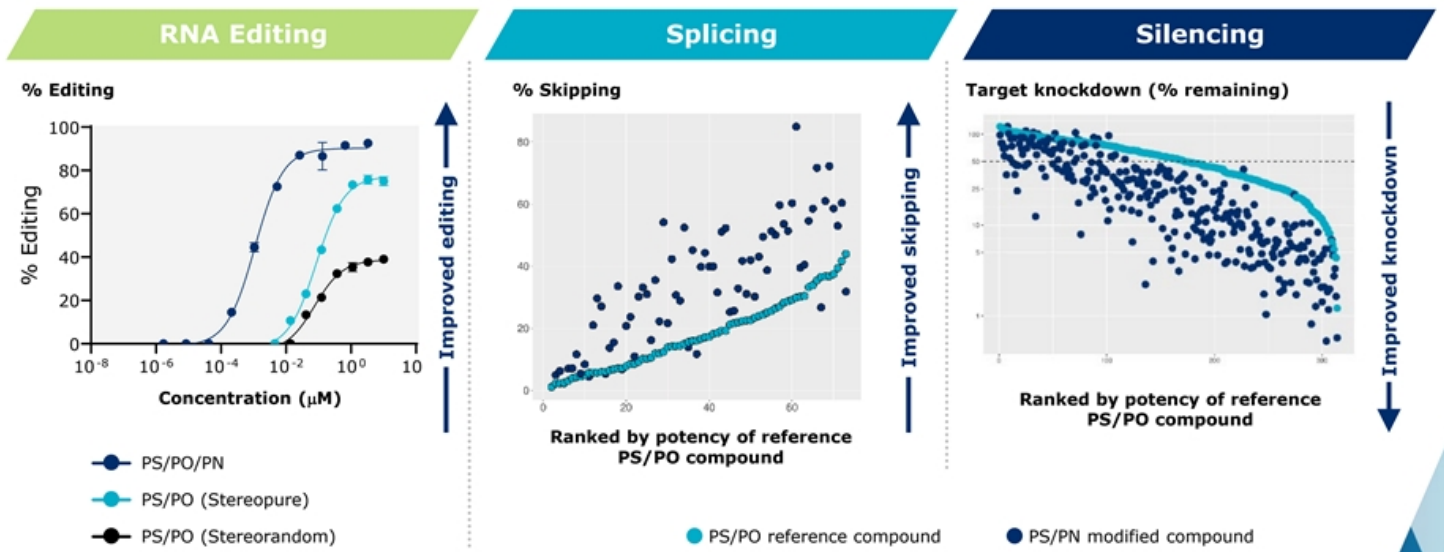


RNAi is one of multiple Wave modalities being advanced in strategic research collaboration with GSK

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Left, Middle: Mice expressing human *HSD17B13* transgene treated (3 mg/kg) siRNA or PBS, liver mRNA, guide strand concentration, Ago2 loading quantified. Stats: Two-way ANOVA with post-hoc test * $P < 0.05$, **** $P < 0.0001$. Liu et al., 2023 *Nuc Acids Res* doi: 10.1093/nar/gkad268; Right: ICV: Intracerebroventricular; APP: Amyloid precursor protein; CNS: central nervous system; B6 mice were administered PBS or 100 μ g of APP siRNA by ICV injection on day 0 (n=7). Mice euthanized 8 weeks after administration. Taqman qPCR assays used for RNA PD, relative fold changes of *App* to *Sfrs9* mRNA normalized to percentage of PBS group. All treated group show $P \leq 0.0001$ compared to PBS group in 2way ANOVA.

Proprietary PN chemistry enhances potency across modalities



Left: Experiment was performed in iPSC-derived neurons *in vitro*; target mRNA levels were monitored using qPCR against a control gene (HPRT1) using a linear model equivalent of the $\Delta\Delta\text{Ct}$ method; Middle: DMD patient-derived myoblasts treated with PS/PO or PS/PO/PN stereopure oligonucleotide under free-uptake conditions. Exon-skipping efficiency evaluated by qPCR. Right: Data from independent experiments

Robust RNA medicines pipeline including first-in-class RNA editing programs

Program	Discovery	Preclinical	Clinical	Rights	Patient population (US & Europe)
RNA EDITING					
WVE-006 SERPINA1 (AATD)	[Progress bar]			GSK exclusive global license	200K
Multiple undisclosed	[Progress bar]			100% global	-
SPLICING					
WVE-N531 Exon 53 (DMD)	[Progress bar]		Phase 1/2	100% global	2.3K
Other exons (DMD)	[Progress bar]			100% global	Up to 18K
SILENCING: ANTISENSE					
WVE-003 mHTT (HD)	[Progress bar]		Phase 1/2	Takeda 50:50 Option	25K Manifest (SNP3) 60K Pre-Manifest (SNP3)
SCA3 (ATXN3)	[Progress bar]			Takeda 50:50 Option	8K
SILENCING: RNAi					
Undisclosed	[Progress bar]			100% global	-

Through GSK collaboration, Wave can advance up to three collaboration programs and GSK can advance up to eight collaboration programs



AATD: Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency; DMD: Duchenne muscular dystrophy; HD: Huntington's disease; SCA3: Spinocerebellar ataxia 3



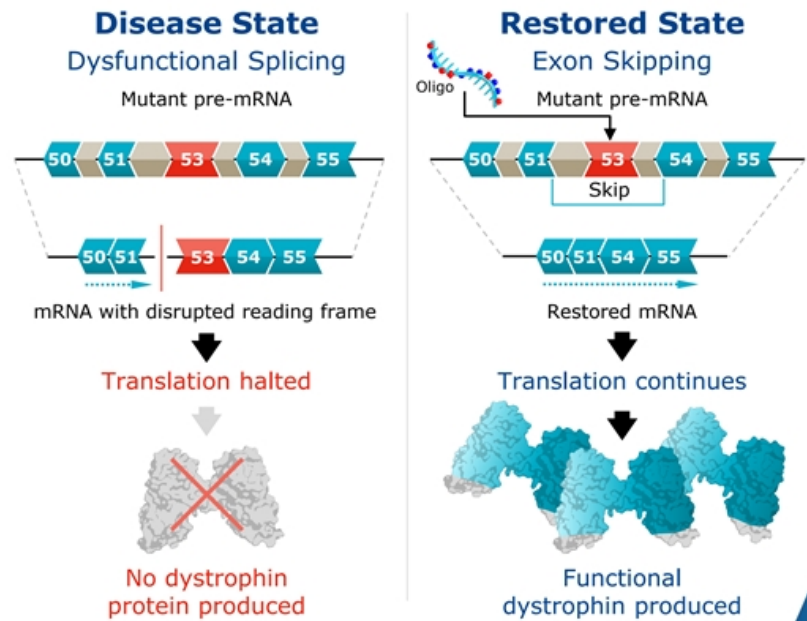


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WVE-N531
Duchenne muscular dystrophy

Duchenne muscular dystrophy

- **Genetic mutation in dystrophin gene prevents the production of dystrophin protein**, a critical component of healthy muscle function
- **Impacts approx. 1 in every 5,000 newborn boys each year**; approx. 20,000 new cases annually worldwide
 - Approx. 8-10% are amenable to exon 53 skipping
- **Dystrophin protein established by FDA as surrogate endpoint** reasonably likely to predict benefit in boys¹ for accelerated approval in DMD
- Increasing amount of functional dystrophin expression over minimal amount shown with approved therapies is expected to result in greater benefit for boys with DMD



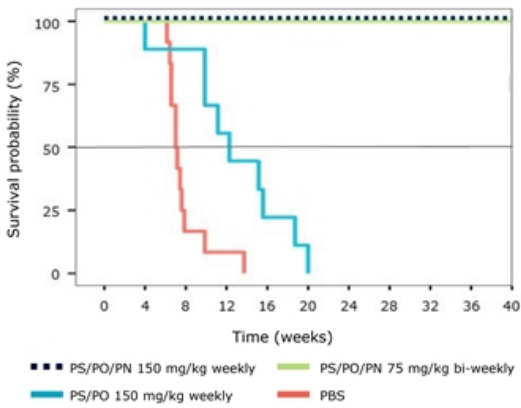
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¹Vyondys: www.fda.gov; viltepso: www.fda.gov; Exondys: www.fda.gov; Amondys: www.fda.gov

Extended survival in dKO preclinical model supports potential of exon-skipping therapeutics for DMD

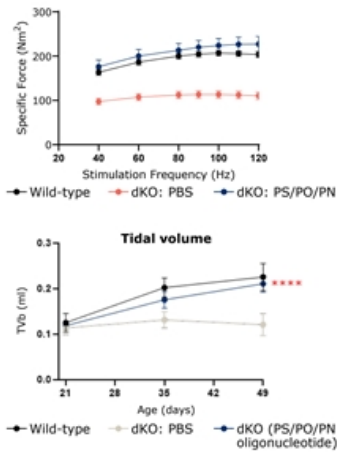
PN chemistry improved function and survival in dKO mice

100% survival at time of study termination

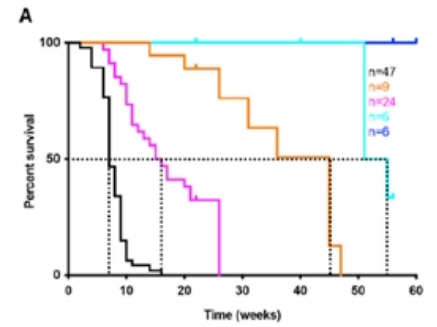


Note: Untreated, age-matched mdx mice had 100% survival at study termination [not shown]

Restored muscle and respiratory function to wild-type levels



dKO survival studies in literature

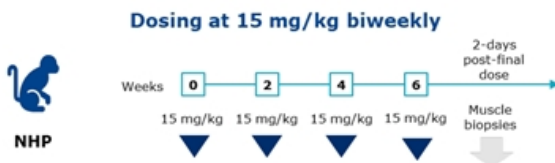


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Left: Kandasamy et al., 2022; doi: 10.1093/nar/gkac018; Right: Forand et al., 2020; doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.omtm.2020.03.011>.

Preclinical data supported advancing WVE-N531 to clinical development

WVE-N531 reached high concentrations in heart and diaphragm in NHP

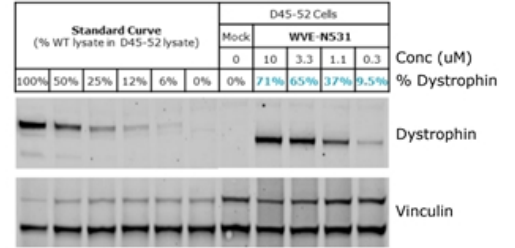


Mean Tissue Concentration			
15 mg/kg* IV dose	Skeletal muscle	Diaphragm	Heart
	2.17 ug/g	10.8 ug/g	57.2 ug/g

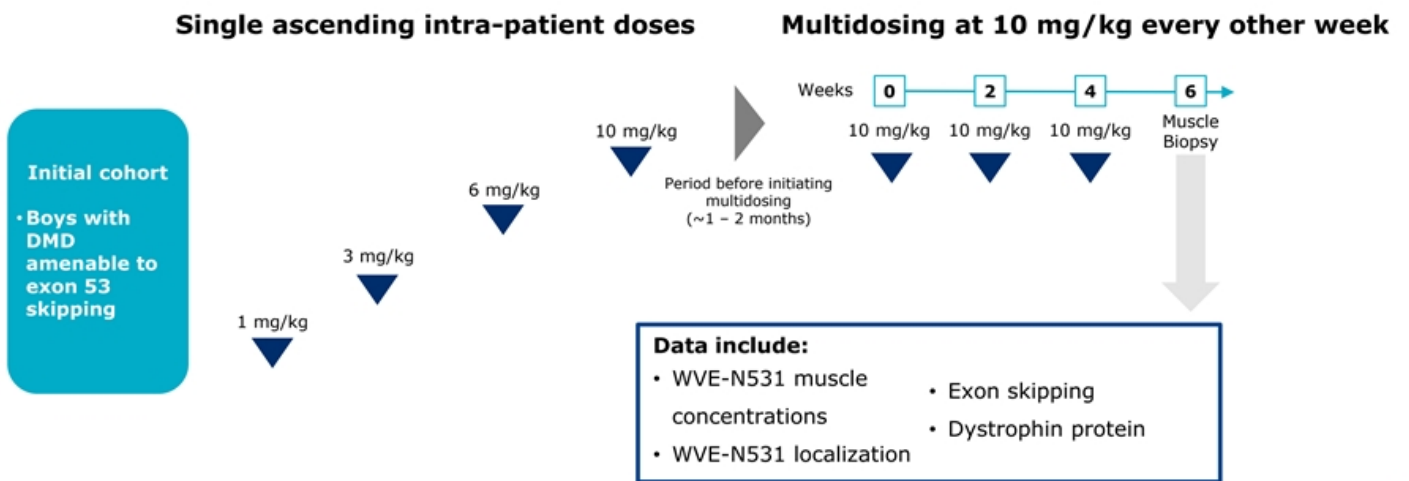
*approximately equivalent to 10 mg/kg in patients based on plasma AUC values

WVE-N531: Dystrophin restoration of up to 71% *in vitro*

Western Blot normalized to primary healthy human myoblast lysate



In multidose portion of study, patients received three biweekly 10 mg/kg doses



WVE-N531 in DMD: Delivered positive proof-of-concept data in 4Q 2022

- High exon skipping and muscle concentrations after three biweekly 10 mg/kg doses
- Similar exon skipping regardless of mutation
 - Patient 1: del48-52
 - Patient 2: del45-52
 - Patient 3: del51-52
- PK analysis indicated 25-day half-life in plasma
- WVE-N531 appeared safe and well-tolerated

Patient	Tissue Source	Tissue concentration (µg/g)	% Exon skipping by RT-PCR	Dystrophin by Western blot (% of normal)
1	Deltoid	85.5	61.5	0.24
2	Deltoid	33.5	49.8	0.23
3	Bicep	8.3	47.9	0.34

Mean muscle concentration: 42 µg/g

Mean exon skipping: 53%

Mean dystrophin: 0.27% of normal (BLQ)

Data presented March 22, 2023 at Muscular Dystrophy Association Clinical and Scientific Conference

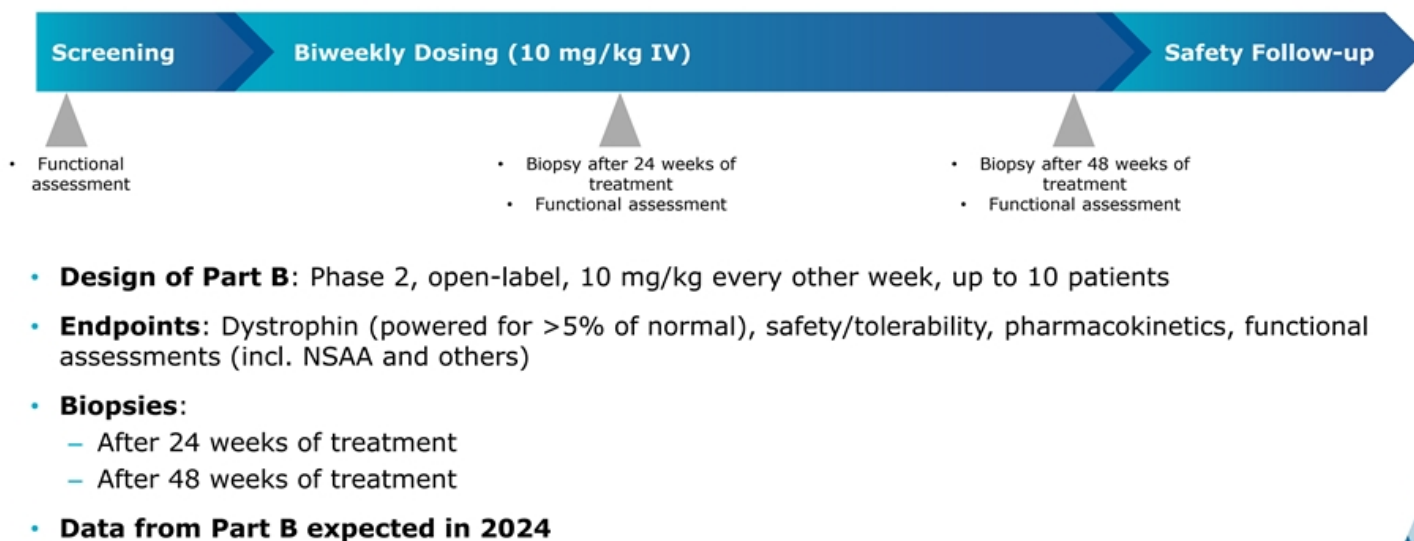


Biopsies collected ~2 weeks post-last dose (3 biweekly doses of 10 mg/kg)
Data cut-off: December 6, 2022

42 µg/g = 6.1 µM

BLQ: Below level of quantification (1%)

Initiating Part B, a potentially registrational Phase 2 clinical trial of WVE-N531



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IV: intravenous; NSAA: North star ambulatory assessment

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GSK Collaboration
and WVE-006 for
Alpha-1 antitrypsin
deficiency (AATD)

Strategic collaboration with GSK to develop transformative RNA medicines for genetically defined diseases

- ✓ **\$170 million upfront to Wave** (cash and equity¹)
- ✓ Additional research support funding
- ✓ Potential for **up to \$3.3 billion in milestones**²
- ✓ Expands Wave's pipeline

Multiple value drivers to Wave

Extends cash runway into 2025



Milestone / royalties	Milestone / royalties	Genetic targets
GSK granted exclusive global license to WVE-006 for AATD	GSK to advance up to eight collaboration programs	Wave to leverage GSK's genetic insights
Up to \$225 million in development and launch milestones	Up to \$1.2 billion in aggregate in initiation, development and launch milestones	Wave to advance up to three wholly owned collaboration programs (or more pending agreement with GSK) ³
Up to \$300 million in sales-related milestones	Up to \$1.6 billion in aggregate in sales-related milestones	
Double-digit tiered royalties as a percentage of net sales up to high-teens	Tiered royalties as a percentage of net sales up to low-teens	
Development and commercialization responsibilities transfer to GSK after completion of first-in-patient study	Development and commercialization responsibilities transfer to GSK at development candidate	

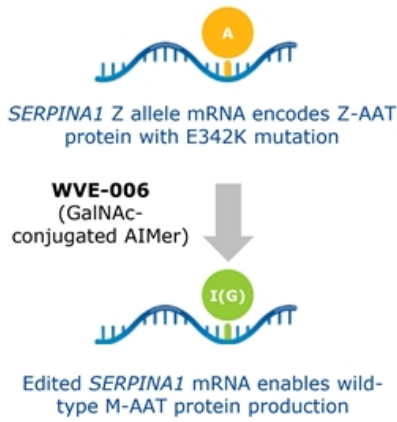
First-in-class RNA editing program

Collaboration leverages Wave's unique stereopure, PN-chemistry containing PRISM™ platform, including **editing, splicing, silencing** (RNAi and antisense)

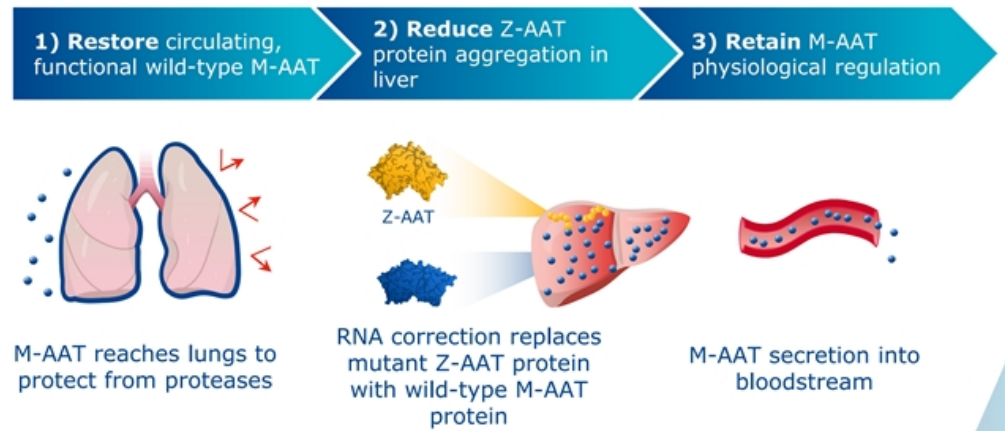
¹\$120 million in cash and \$50 million equity investment received in January 2023, ²Initiation, development, launch, and commercialization milestones for WVE-006 and programs progressed during initial 4-year research term (8 GSK collaboration programs) ³GSK eligible to receive tiered royalty payments and commercial milestones from Wave

WVE-006: Designed to correct mutant SERPINA1 transcript to address both liver and lung manifestations of AATD

WVE-006 designed to correct Z allele mRNA to enable M-AAT protein to be produced



WVE-006 ADAR editing approach to address key goals of AATD treatment:



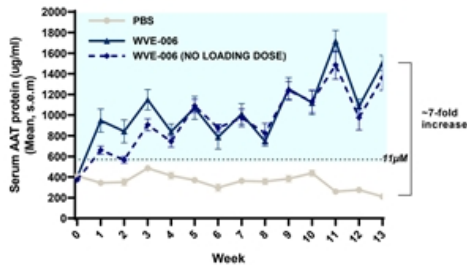
WVE-006 in AATD: First-in-class RNA editing candidate approaching the clinic

Potentially comprehensive approach to address both lung and liver manifestations of AATD



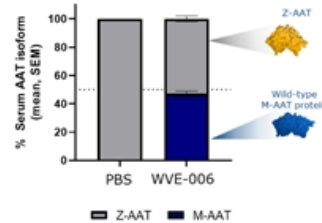
Increased AAT protein in NSG-PiZ mice

WVE-006 treatment results in serum AAT protein levels >11 uM in NSG-PiZ mice



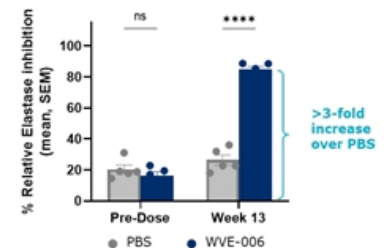
Confirmed restored wild-type M-AAT protein

Overall percentages of serum AAT protein isoforms in NSG-PiZ mice (Week 13)



Demonstrated functionality of M-AAT protein

Serum neutrophil elastase inhibition activity in NSG-PiZ mice



CTA submissions for first-in-human study expected in 2H 2023



AATD: Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency; M-AAT protein: wild-type AAT protein; WVE-006 administered subcutaneously (10 mg/kg bi-weekly) in 7-week old NSG-PiZ mice (n=5 per group); Loading dose: 3 x 10 mg/kg at Day 0. Left: Liver biopsies collected at wk 13 (1 wk after last dose) and SERPINA1 editing quantified by Sanger sequencing; Right: Total serum AAT protein quantified by ELISA; Stats: Two-Way ANOVA with adjustment for multiple comparisons (Tukey)

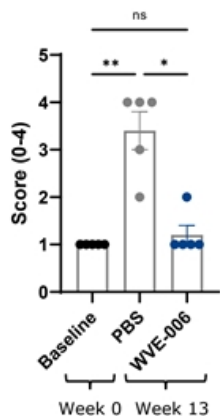
WVE-006 decreases lobular inflammation and PAS-D globule size, prevents increase in hepatocyte turnover

Correction of gain-of-function liver phenotypes

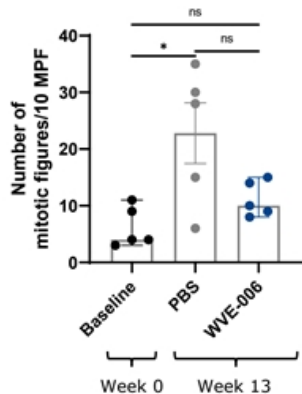
Fibrosis → Cirrhosis → Hepatocellular Carcinoma



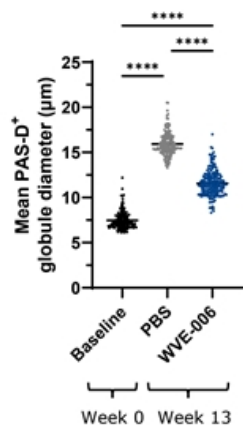
Lobular inflammation
(NSG PiZ mice, week 13)



Mitoses
(NSG PiZ mice, week 13)



PAS-D-positive globule size
(NSG PiZ mice, week 13)

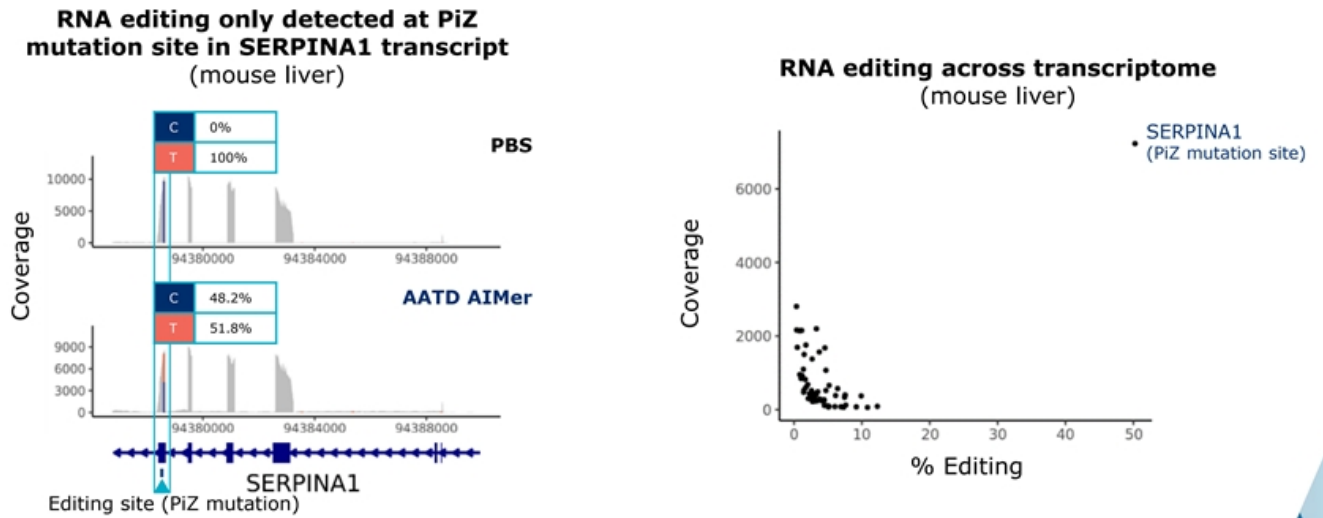


Left (Lobular inflammation) and Middle (Mitoses): Scatter plot showing inflammation grade or mitoses score. Each circle represents an individual mouse, (Mean ± SEM); Right (PAS-D Globule Size): 40 largest globules in each of 5 mice were measured. Each circle represents a single PAS-D globule, (Mean ± SEM). Baseline: week 0 (7 weeks old); Treated week 13 (20 weeks old); Stats: Kruskal-Wallis followed by Dunn's test



AIMer-directed editing is highly specific in mice

No bystander editing observed on SERPINA1 transcript



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Dose 3x10 mg/kg (days 0, 2, 4) SC with AATD AIMer (SA1 - 4). Liver biopsies day 7. RNA-seq to quantify on-target SERPINA1 editing, to quantify off-target editing reads mapped to entire mouse genome; plotted circles represent sites with LOD>3 (N=4), SERPINA1 edit site is indicated



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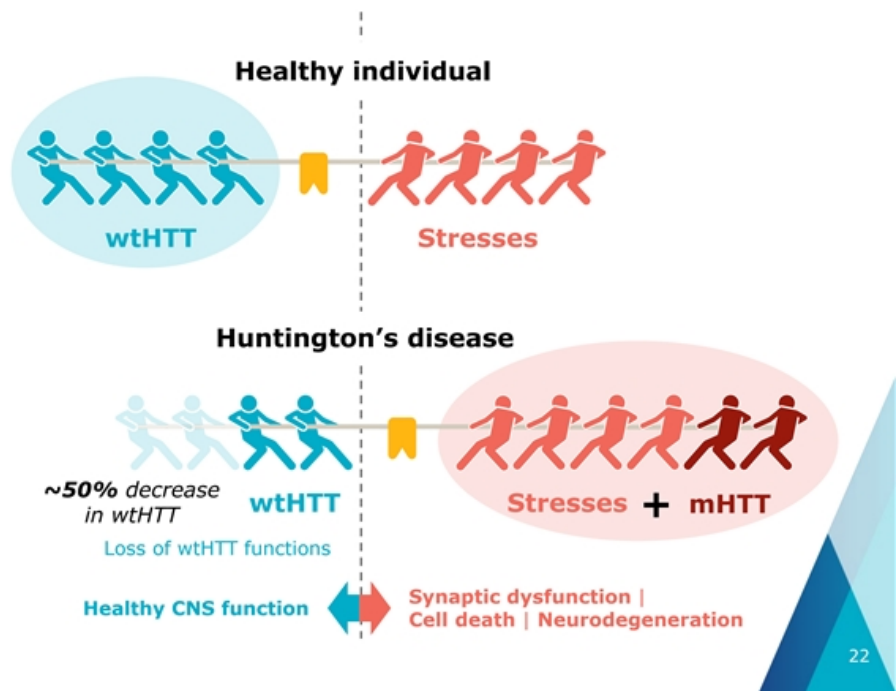
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Huntington's Disease

mHTT toxic effects lead to neurodegeneration; loss of wtHTT functions may also contribute to HD

Huntington's disease (HD)

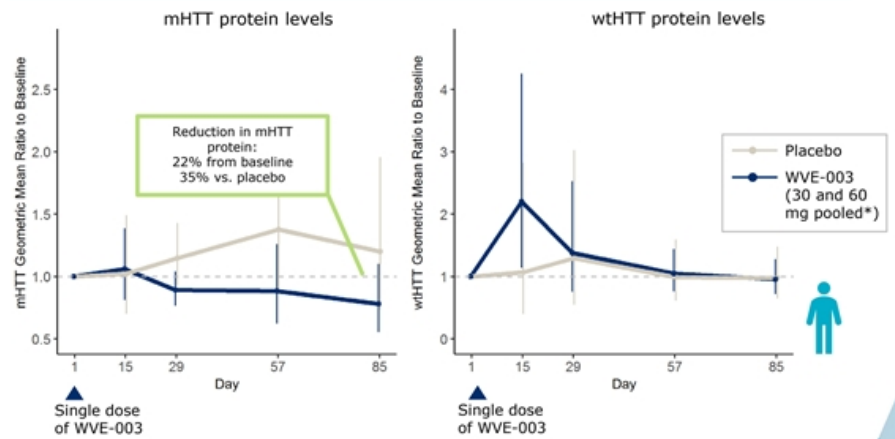
- Wild-type HTT (wtHTT) is critical for normal neuronal function
- Expanded CAG triplet repeat in HTT gene results in production of mutant huntingtin protein (mHTT)
- HD is a monogenic autosomal dominant genetic disease; fully penetrant and affects entire brain
- Fatal disease characterized by cognitive decline, psychiatric illness, and chorea
- 30,000 people with HD in the US and more than 200,000 at risk of developing HD



WVE-003: First-in-class allele-selective candidate for HD

- mHTT protein reductions observed in single dose cohorts (Sep. 2022)
- wtHTT protein levels appear consistent with allele-selectivity
- Generally safe and well-tolerated
- **Additional single-dose and available multi-dose biomarker and safety clinical data expected in 2H 2023**

Reductions in mean CSF mHTT and preservation of wtHTT observed in pooled analysis of single dose cohorts in SELECT-HD clinical study





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AIMers

RNA base editing capability

Proof-of-concept preclinical RNA editing data published in *Nature Biotechnology* (March 2022)

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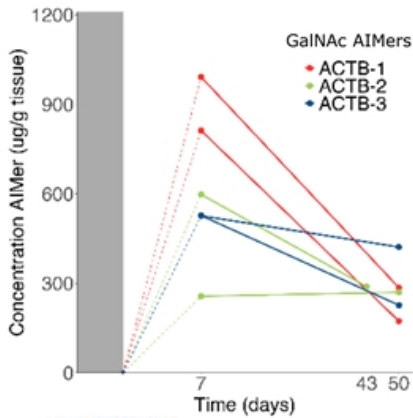
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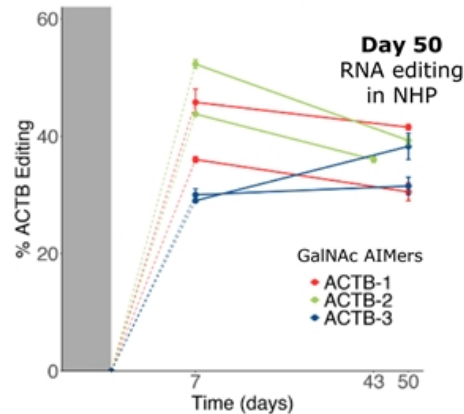
Endogenous ADAR-mediated RNA editing in non-human primates using stereopure chemically modified oligonucleotides

- Specificity *in vitro* & *in vivo* (NHPs)
- *In vitro-in vivo* translation (NHPs)
- GalNAc conjugation
- Foundational AIMER SAR

AIMers detected in liver of NHP at Day 50 (PK)

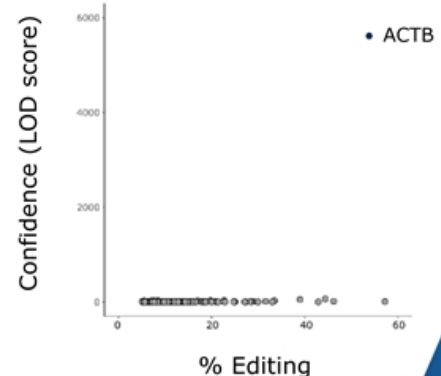


Substantial and durable editing in NHP liver *in vivo* (PD)



ADAR editing with ACTB AIMER is highly specific

RNA editing within full transcriptome (primary human hepatocytes)



LIFE SCIENCES Monian et al., 2022 published online Mar 7, 2022; doi: 10.1038/s41587-022-01225-1 SAR structure-activity relationship

Expanding addressable disease target space using AIMers to activate pathways and upregulate expression

Correct G-to-A driver mutations with AIMers

Modulate protein interactions with AIMers

Restore or correct protein function

WVE-006
(GalNAc AIMer)
AATD



- Modulate protein-protein interaction**
- Upregulate expression**
- Modify function
- Post-translational modification
- Alter folding or processing

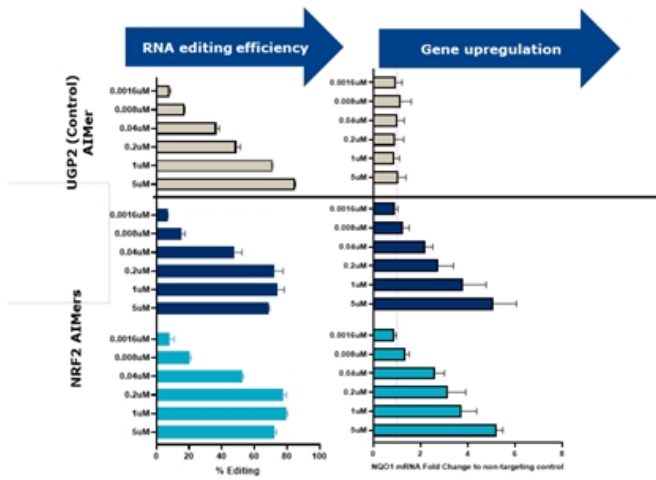
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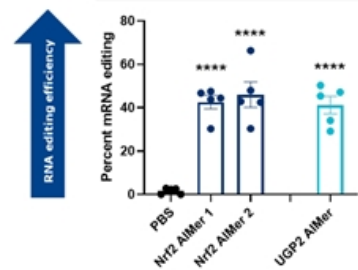
AIMers provide dexterity, with applications beyond precise correction of genetic mutations, including upregulation of expression, modification of protein function, or alter protein stability

Modulation of protein-protein interactions: AIMers enable activation of gene pathway *in vivo* with single edit

Dose-dependent gene upregulation (NQO1) *in vitro* following Nrf2 editing to disrupt protein/protein interaction

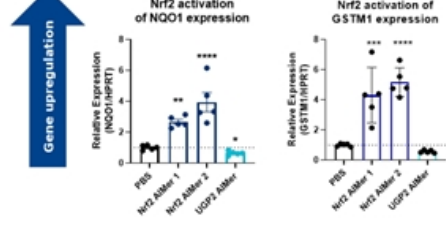


Nrf2 mRNA editing *in vivo* in liver of mice with GalNAc AIMers



Note: Editing percentage for UGP2 control Aimer indicates editing of UGP2 mRNA

NRF2 downstream gene upregulation following GalNAc Aimer mRNA editing *in vivo* in liver of mice

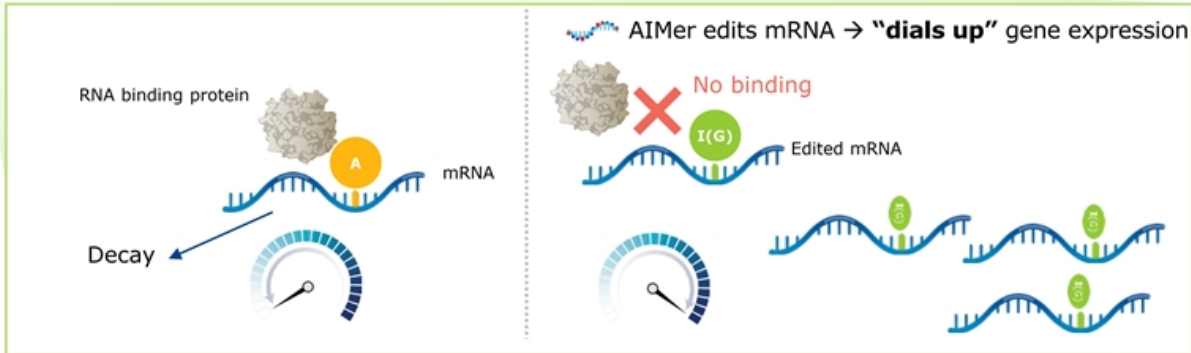


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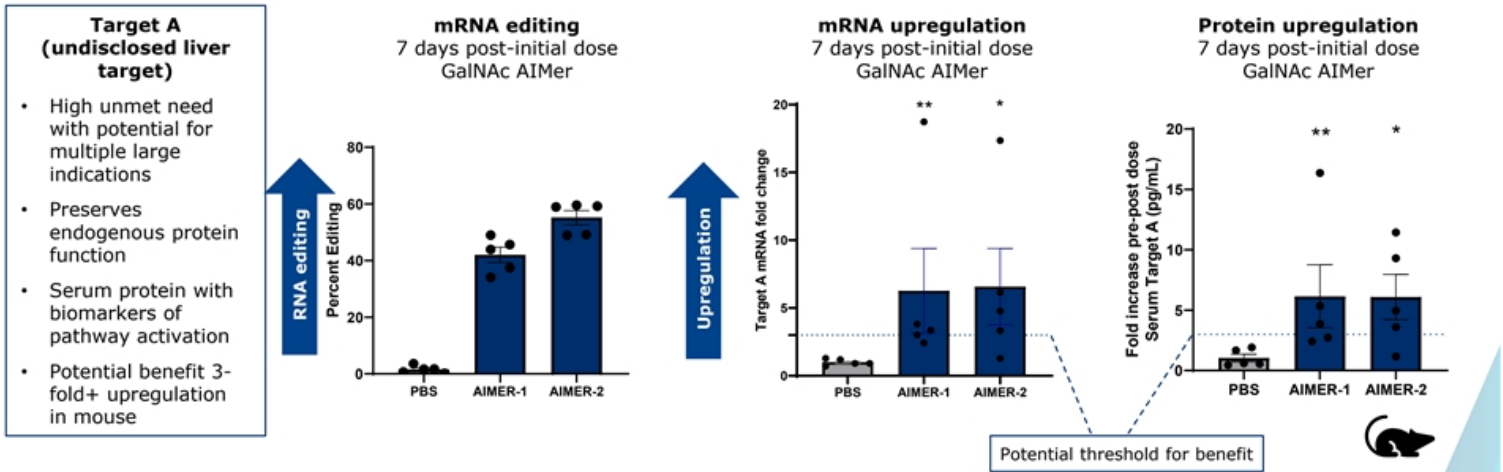
n=2; Primary hepatocytes 48h of treatment with the indicated dose concentration of AIMers

Upregulation: AIMers can edit RNA motifs to restore or upregulate gene expression

RNA binding proteins recognize sequence motifs to regulate various mRNA properties



AIMers upregulate mRNA and downstream serum protein *in vivo* above anticipated threshold



- ✓ *In vitro* to *in vivo* translation of mouse Target A mRNA upregulation
- ✓ *In vivo* mRNA upregulation corresponds to an upregulation of Target A protein in serum at Day 7 demonstrating proof-of-concept



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Anticipated upcoming
milestones

Delivering on pipeline and platform catalysts

RNA EDITING

WVE-006 for AATD
Most advanced RNA editing candidate & potential best-in-class approach for AATD

WVE-006 CTA submissions expected in 2H 2023

Expansion opportunities in liver, CNS, and kidney

SPLICING

WVE-N531 for DMD
Potential best-in-class approach with highest exon skipping reported

Dosing in potentially registrational clinical trial expected in 2023; data expected in 2024

Expansion opportunities in other exons, as well as other muscle and CNS diseases

ANTISENSE SILENCING

WVE-003 for HD
First-in-class wild-type huntingtin protein (wtHTT)-sparing approach

Data expected 2H 2023

Enables discussion on next steps with Takeda

RNAi

Newest modality in Wave platform

Preclinical data suggest best-in-class potential for Wave RNAi capability

Hepatic, CNS, and beyond

DISCOVERY PIPELINE & COLLABORATIONS

Anticipate "R&D Day" virtual event on September 28, 2023 during which Wave will demonstrate how it is continuing to extend its leadership in RNA editing and share preclinical data on new wholly-owned programs

Advance collaboration activities with GSK, with potential for additional cash inflows in 2023 and beyond

Realizing a brighter future for people affected by genetic diseases

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