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Today's Agenda

9:00-9:05 a.m.	Welcome & Agenda Overview Scott T. Smith	10:50-11:20 a.m.	TransCon PTH David Karpf, M.D. & Nyssa Liebermann Noyola
9:05-9:15 a.m.	Vision 3x3 Jan Møller Mikkelsen	11:20-11:35 a.m.	TransCon CNP Kennett Sprogøe, Ph.D.
9:15-9:30 a.m.	TransCon Platform & Product Innovation Kennett Sprogøe, Ph.D.	11:35-11:45 a.m.	Q&A: TransCon PTH & TransCon CNP
9:30-10:05 a.m.	TransCon hGH Jonathan Leff, M.D.	11:45-12:05 p.m.	Introducing Oncology Jan Møller Mikkelsen & Juha Punnonen, M.D., Ph.D.
10:05-10:15 a.m.	Connected Healthcare Platform Thomas Ørts Pedersen	12:05-12:20 p.m.	IO & IT Treatments: Challenges & Promise Ezra Cohen, M.D.
10:15-10:30 a.m.	Commercialization Update Tom Larson	12:20-12:40 p.m.	Oncology Product Candidates Juha Punnonen, M.D., Ph.D.
10:30-10:40 a.m.	Q&A: TransCon hGH	12:40-12:50 p.m.	Q&A: Oncology
10:40-10:50 a.m.	Break	12:50-1:00 p.m.	General Q&A & Closing Remarks Jan Møller Mikkelsen







Building a Leading Rare Disease Company

Slide presented at R&D Day 2016

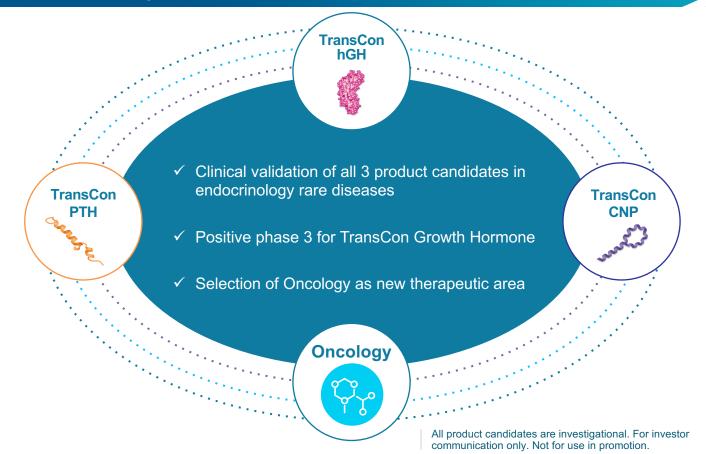
 Leverage the validated TransCon technology to create best-in-class products



- Advance the company's pipeline of three rare disease endocrinology product candidates:
 - Phase 3 ongoing for TransCon Growth Hormone
 - File INDs for TransCon PTH and TransCon CNP in 2017
 - Obtain approval for at least two products between 2020-2024
- Next rare disease therapeutic area to come
 - Identify clinical stage candidate by 2020
- Build an integrated commercial business focused on the U.S. market



Vision 20/20: Established the Foundation for a Leading Rare Disease Company





Vision 3x3: Building a Leading BioPharma Company

Our Goal is to Achieve Sustainable Growth through Multiple Approaches

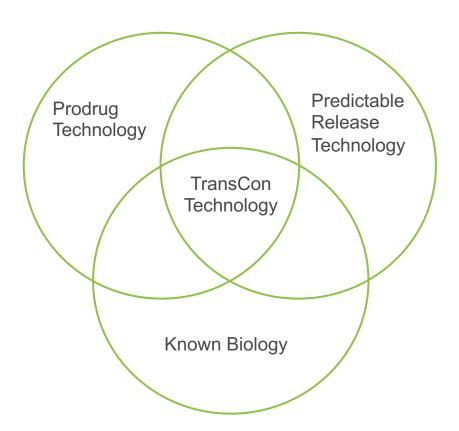
- Obtain regulatory approval for 3 Endocrinology Rare Disease products
 - TransCon hGH for pediatric growth hormone deficiency
 - TransCon PTH for adult hypoparathyroidism
 - TransCon CNP for achondroplasia
- Growth of Endocrinology Rare Disease pipeline through:
 - Label expansion programs with the goal of obtaining 9 indications in total
 - Global clinical reach directly or through partnerships
- Build an integrated commercial business for our Endocrinology Rare Disease franchise in North America and select European countries
 - Establish global commercial presence with partners outside our geographic areas
- Create 3 independent therapeutic areas each with a diversified pipeline built on TransCon technologies and our unique algorithm for product innovation
 - Established oncology as next independent therapeutic area







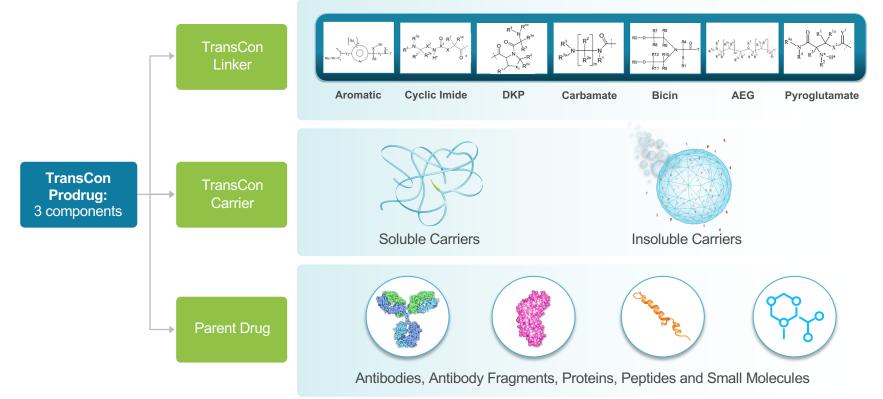
TransCon Technology: A Combination of Technologies



TransCon combines the benefits of Prodrug and Predictable Release Technologies with Known Biology to create highly differentiated products for the benefit of patients



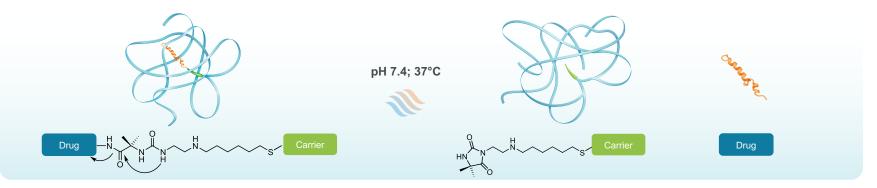
*Trans*ient *Con*jugation: Flexible and Versatile Platform





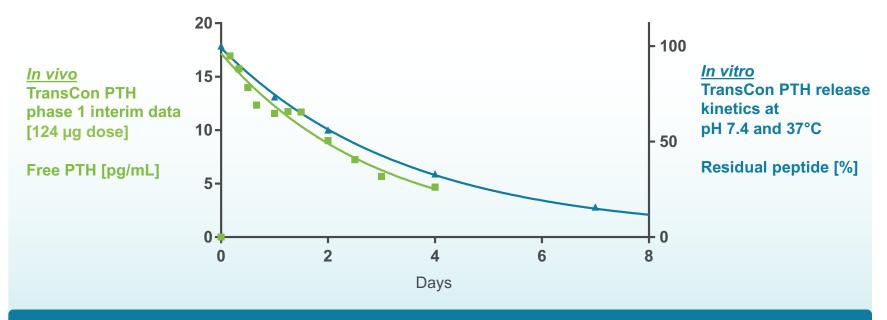
TransCon Technology: The TransCon Linker

- Cleaves in an enzyme-independent fashion, ensuring reproducible drug release;
 in vitro to in vivo correlation with high predictability
- TransCon linkers remain covalently bound to the carrier molecule after release of the unmodified parent drug
- Enables tunable design of prodrugs with dosing frequency from daily up to six months or more





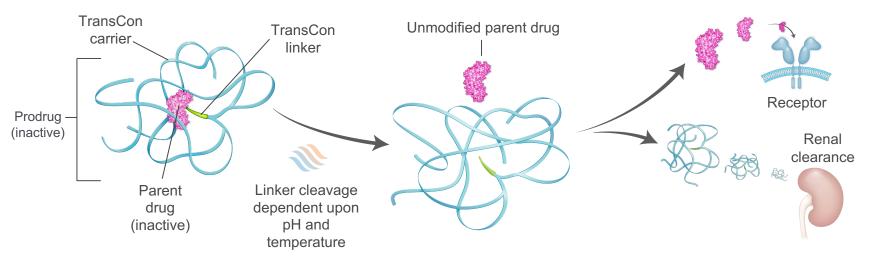
TransCon Drug Release is Predictable



High predictability of PK profile from *in vitro* data enables optimization of PK profile of lead candidates *in vitro* prior to initiating *in vivo* development



TransCon Technology: Sustained Systemic Delivery

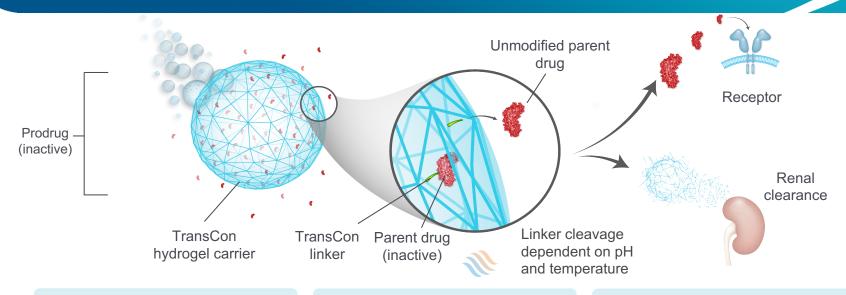


Parent drug is transiently bound to a TransCon linkersoluble carrier moiety, which inactivates and shields parent drug from clearance Following injection, the linker is designed to autocleave at a specific rate to predictably release unmodified parent drug

Designed to distribute released drug like the parent molecule; linker-carrier is cleared renally



TransCon Technology: Sustained Localized Delivery

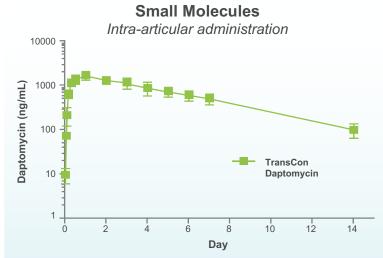


Parent drug is transiently bound to TransCon linkerhydrogel carrier, which inactivates, shields parent drug and prevents clearance Following injection, the linker is designed to autocleave at a specific rate to predictably release unmodified parent drug

Designed to provide sustained high local drug levels with low systemic exposure; hydrogel degrades into small polymers that are renally cleared

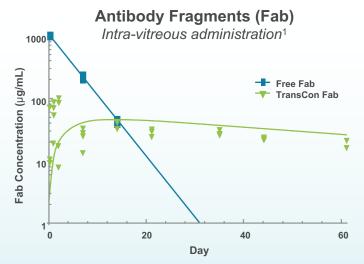


Sustained Localized Delivery: Validated Across Multiple Drugs and Administration Sites



Plasma PK of Daptomycin following intra-articular administration in rabbits.

TransCon Daptomycin half-life was ~3 days.



Vitreal PK of Fab following intra-vitreous administration in rabbits. TransCon Fab half-life was ~53 days compared to free Fab half-life of ~3.2 days.

- Excellent local tolerability of TransCon hydrogel carrier
- Sustained high local concentration with low systemic exposure



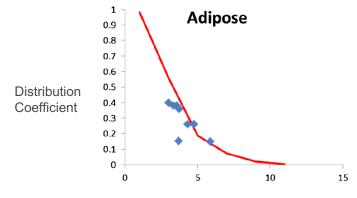
Why Size Matters: Releasing Unmodified Drug

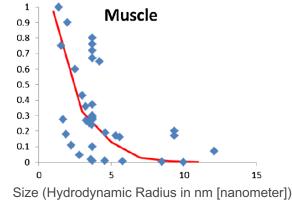
A molecule's hemodynamic radius predicts tissue distribution¹

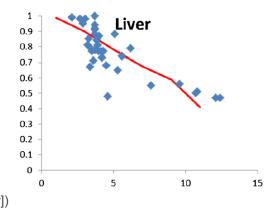
- Albumin (66 kDa) is 3.6 nm, effectively maintaining a high albumin concentration in the blood compartment and low tissue concentrations
- hGH (22 kDa) is 2 nm, allowing distribution into adipose, muscle, brain and liver

The growth plate is avascular, representing a diffusion barrier

- Studies in mice suggest molecules 40 kDa and larger has restricted access to the growth plate²
- Relatively higher systemic drug concentrations are required to provide efficacious drug levels







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Ascendis Algorithm for Product Innovation

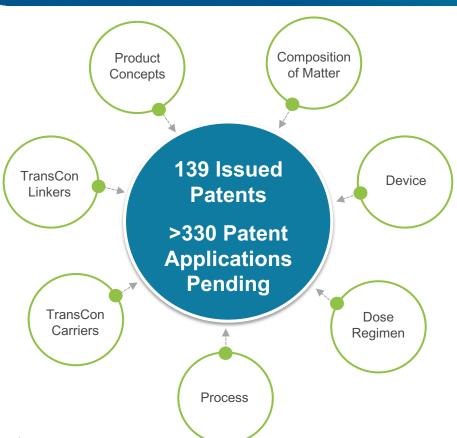


Our unique algorithm for product innovation has resulted in clinical validation of 3 out of 3 product candidates and positive phase 3 data in Endocrinology Rare Disease

We are continuing to apply our algorithm to build a pipeline in oncology and are committed to entering a 3rd therapeutic area



TransCon Enables Multi-level Patent Protection



- TransCon prodrugs eligible for new composition of matter IP
- A multi-layered patent strategy is applied to protect our assets



TransCon: A New Innovative Technology Platform

- TransCon technologies combine the benefits from prodrug and predictable release technologies with known biology – in one single platform
- TransCon prodrugs release unmodified drug expected to maintain the same mode of action as parent drug (receptor activation, distribution, etc.)
- Broad applicability for both systemic (s.c. / i.v.) and localized delivery (intravitreal, intratumoral, inhaled)
- Product features may include low injection volume, room temperature storage, small needle size (31G)
- Daily, weekly, monthly, or twice yearly or longer administration frequencies
- TransCon has a high success rate in endocrinology with clinical validation of 3 out of 3 product opportunities and positive phase 3 results for TransCon hGH







TransCon[™] Growth Hormone: Once-Weekly Replacement Therapy

Jonathan A. Leff, M.D. SVP, Chief Medical Officer

Growth Hormone Deficiency Is Not Just About Height: Growth Hormone Supports Overall Endocrine Health

BODY COMPOSITION

Increased fat mass, decreased muscle mass and decreased bone density can occur soon after treatment discontinuation.^{2,3,4}

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

Early discontinuation of GH treatment may induce impairment of patients' lipid profiles and cardiac function, leading to increased risk for CV disease. 6.7



ULTIMATE HEIGHT ACHIEVEMENT

Children with GHD may not obtain full height potential if untreated.¹



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MENTAL HEALTH

A high incidence of psychiatric disorders, usually accompanied by poor life quality, is associated with adults who were GHD as children.⁵



FRACTURES

Adult peak bone mass is considerably lower, and rates of fractures are significantly higher among adults with GHD who were not treated as children.⁸

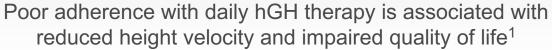
Daily hGH addresses all the symptoms of the disease; long-acting growth hormone products must fully mimic daily hGH to adequately address the totality of the disease

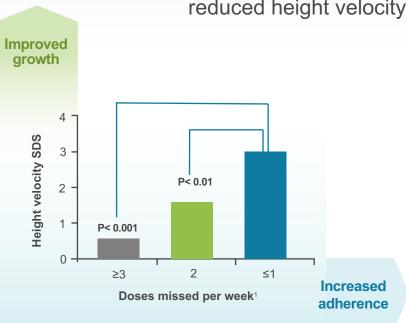
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Colao, Annamaria et al. 2002, 8, Bex, M, and R Bouillon, 2003



Daily Growth Hormone: The Problem





In the 1st year, two of three patients miss >1 injection on average per week¹

Reduced frequency of administration is associated with better adherence²



A Decades-Long Pursuit: Long-Acting Growth Hormones¹

Approaches

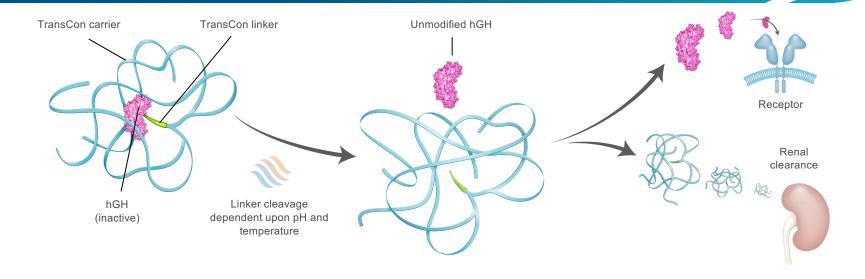
- Depot formulations
- PEGylated (permanent) formulations
- GH fusion proteins (molecular enlargement)
- Non-covalent albumin binding

Challenges

- Appropriate tissue penetration hindered by large size
- Immunogenicity (neutralizing antibodies)
- Viscous and painful formulations
- Large bore needle requirements
- Inadequate pharmacokinetics



TransCon hGH Design

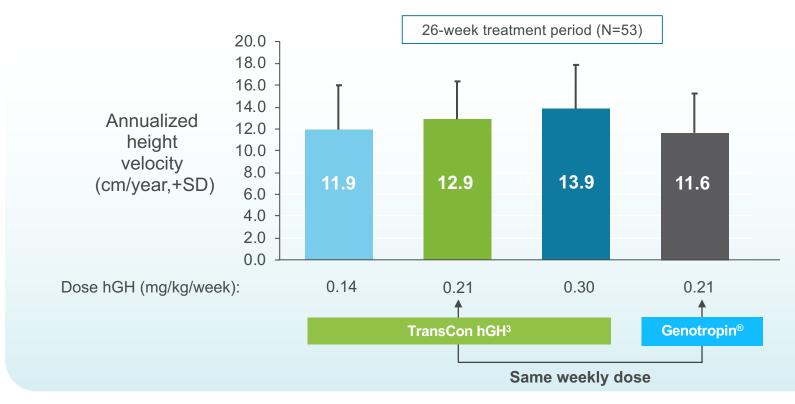


Once-weekly prodrug releases unmodified hGH designed to mimic daily hGH:

- ✓ Tissue distribution
- ✓ Physiological levels
- ✓ Therapeutic effects: efficacy, safety and tolerability



Growth Comparable to a Daily hGH in Phase 21,2



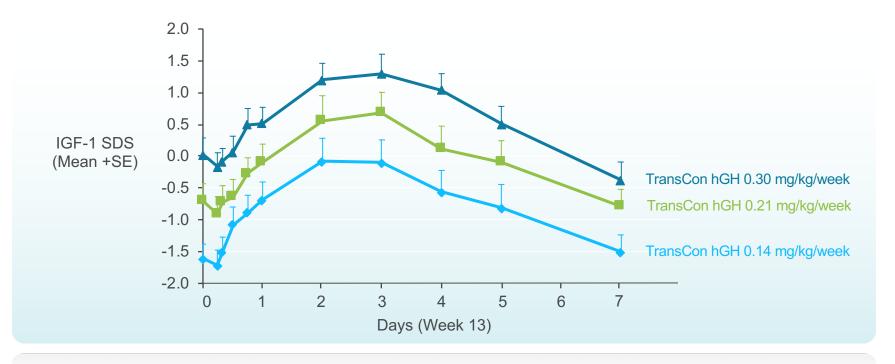
¹ Intergroup differences not statistically significant



² J Clin Endocrinol Metab 2017, 102(5): 1673–1682

³ Conducted with a bioequivalent version of TransCon hGH

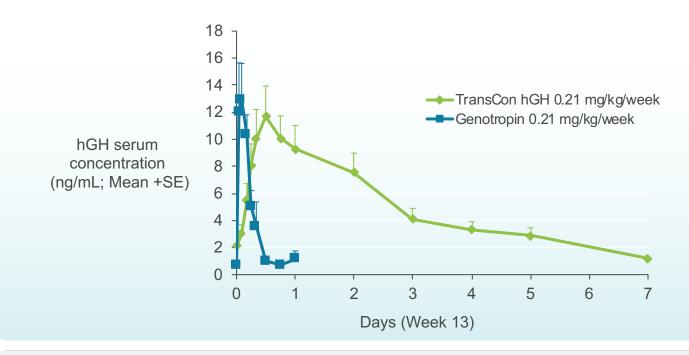
Dose Proportional IGF-1 Response in Phase 2¹



Transient values > +2.0 observed in a small number of subjects, primarily at the highest dose level



Comparable hGH Levels in Phase 2¹



Maximum hGH concentration comparable between equivalent weekly doses of TransCon hGH and a daily hGH



TransCon hGH Phase 3 Program in Pediatric GHD



- Treatment-naïve subjects
- Top-line data reported



N=146

- Subjects previously treated (n=143) and treatment-naïve (<3 years, n=3)
- Top-line data reported



Extension trial (N=~300)

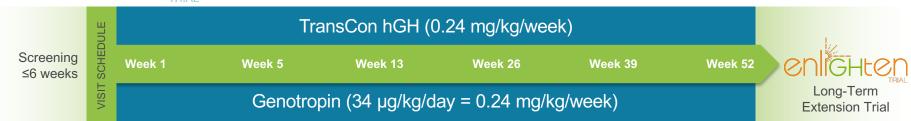
Regulatory filings (BLA H1 2020, MAA H2 2020)



Phase 3 heiGHt Trial



161 treatment-naïve children with GHD dosed (2:1 randomization)



Objective

Demonstrate non-inferiority

Key Inclusion Criteria

- Prepubertal children with GHD
- Height SDS ≤-2.0
- IGF-1 SDS ≤-1.0
- 2 GH stimulation tests (GH ≤10 ng/mL)
- Bone age ≥6 months behind chronological

Key Endpoints

- Annualized height velocity (HV) at 52 weeks (primary endpoint)
- Annualized HV at earlier time points
- Change in height SDS over 52 weeks
- Change in serum IGF-1/IGFBP-3 levels
- Change in IGF-1 SDS and IGFBP-3 SDS
- Normalization of IGF-1 SDS
- hGH and IGF-1 levels over 168 hours at Week 13 (PK/PD subset)



Demographics and Baseline Characteristics Comparable Between Arms



	TransCon hGH (n=105) Mean	Genotropin (n=56) Mean
Age (years)	8.51	8.48
Male (%)	81.9	82.1
Height SDS	-2.89	-3.00
Δ Average Parental Height SDS	-2.32	-2.55
IGF-1 SDS	-2.08	-1.96
Peak Stimulated GH (ng/mL)	5.89	5.48
BMI (kg/m²)	16.1	16.5
BMI SDS	-0.32	-0.14
Bone Age (years)	5.84	5.98
Bone Age-to-Chronologic Age (BA/CA)	0.69	0.70
Caucasian (%)	95.2	92.9

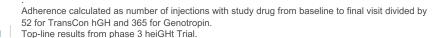


Phase 3 heiGHt Trial Achieved Excellent Adherence¹



	TransCon hGH (n=105)	Genotropin (n=56)
Adherence Range, n (%)		
≤80%	0	1 (1.8)
>80% to ≤90%	0	0
>90% to ≤95%	1 (1.0)	2 (3.6)
>95% to ≤100%	104 (99.0)	53 (94.6)
Mean Adherence Rate, %	99.6	98.6

High level of adherence in both arms of the heiGHt Trial, as anticipated in well executed phase 3 trials

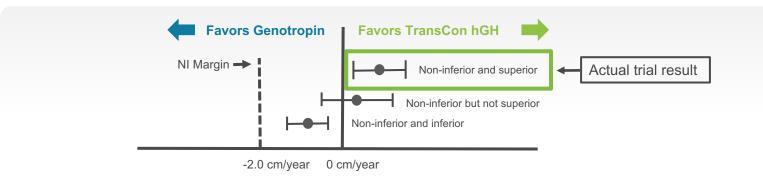




TransCon hGH Met Primary Objective of Non-inferiority and Demonstrated Superiority in AHV at Week 52



	TransCon hGH (n=105)	Genotropin (n=56)	Estimate of Treatment Difference	P-value
LS Mean AHV at Week 52 (cm/year)	11.2	10.3	0.86	0.0088
Standard Error	0.23	0.30	0.33	
95% Confidence Interval (cm/year)	10.71 – 11.62	9.73 – 10.89	0.22 – 1.50	



Treatment difference (TransCon hGH – Genotropin)



ANCOVA model was applied after missing data were imputed by multiple imputation method.

AHV Reached Statistical Significance by Week 26

ANCOVA model was applied after missing data were imputed by multiple imputation method.

Top-line results from phase 3 heiGHt Trial.



AHV by Visit (cm/year)	Estimated Difference LS Mean (SE) [95% CI]		P-value
Week 5	0.7 (1.5)	[-2.3 – 3.7]	0.6402
Week 13	1.1 (0.7)	[-0.3 – 2.4]	0.1286
Week 26	1.4 (0.5)	[0.5 – 2.3]	0.0017
Week 39	1.0 (0.4)	[0.3 – 1.7]	0.0061
Week 52	0.9 (0.3)	[0.2 – 1.5]	0.0088



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Change in Height SDS Demonstrated an Increasing Difference







Mean AHV by Subgroups: TransCon hGH Performance Consistent Across Subgroups



	AHV at Week 52 (cm/year)		
	TransCon hGH (n=105) Arithmetic Mean	Genotropin (n=56) Arithmetic Mean	
Age			
<6 years old	11.9	10.5	
≥6 years old	10.6	10.1	
Gender			
Male	10.7	10.0	
Female	11.9	11.0	
Peak Stimulated GH			
≤5 ng/mL	11.5	10.8	
>5 ng/mL	10.6	9.9	



AHV Poor Responders: Post-hoc Analysis



Poor responders defined as AHV <8.0 cm/year¹

At Week 52 ²	TransCon hGH (n=104) n (%)	Genotropin (n=55) n (%)
Responder	100 (96.2)	49 (89.1)
Poor Responder	4 (3.8)	6 (10.9)

Incidence of poor responders ~3x lower in TransCon hGH arm compared to daily Genotropin arm



¹Bakker et. al. J Clin Endocrinol Metab 93: 352–357, 2008

 $^{^2}$ Excludes one subject per group with missing Week 52 data (98.8% subjects completed study) Top-line results from phase 3 heiGHt Trial.

TransCon hGH May "Rescue" Poor Responders to Genotropin



		IGF-1 SDS Ratio Char (Poor Responders		
		TransCon hGH / TransCon hGH	Genotropin / TransCon hGH	
	Week 5	114%	52%	
height TRIAL	Week 13	120%	54%	
	Week 26	140%	46%	
	Week 39	137%	56%	
	Week 52	110%	57%	
enlighten	Week 13*	103%	70%	
	Week 26*	112%	84%	

Genotropin Poor Responders have lower IGF-1 levels compared to responders

IGF-1 levels increased with TransCon hGH

Known variability in daily growth hormone absorption may explain variability in growth and IGF-1 response in poor responders¹

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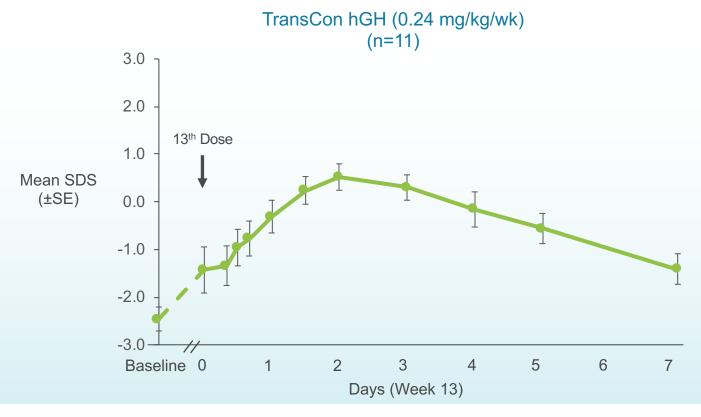


¹ GH&IGF Research 2018, 40: 61-68

^{*} Based on ongoing enliGHten Trial; Week 13 includes 77 subjects in TransCon hGH arm and 44 subjects in Genotropin arm; Week 26 includes 43 subjects in TransCon hGH arm and 21 subjects in Genotropin arm. Top-line results from phase 3 heiGHt Trial.

IGF-1 Profile Over 1 Week

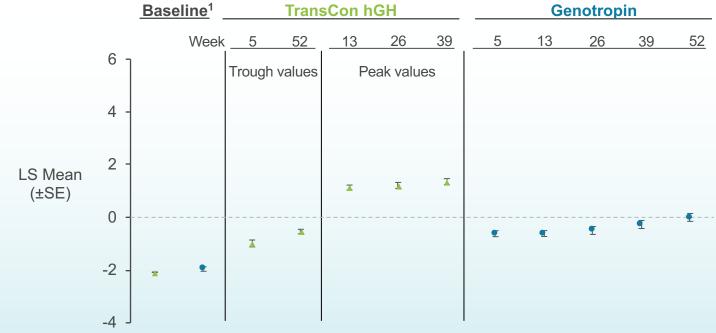






IGF-1 SDS Over 52 Weeks (N=161)





Estimated average IGF-1 SDS of 0.4 (average trough to peak) for TransCon hGH compared to an approximate average IGF-1 SDS of 0.0 for Genotropin consistent with the superior AHV

MMRM model.

Baseline are observed mean values. Top-line results from phase 3 heiGHt Trial.



IGF-1 Observations from heiGHt Trial

IGF-1 SDS	TransCon hGH (n=105) n (%)	Genotropin (n=56) n (%)
Maximum measurement >2.0 and ≤3.0		
At peak	20 (19.0)	NA
At trough	1 (1.0)	NA
Average (Genotropin)	NA	2 (3.6)
Maximum measurement >3.0		
At peak	14 (13.3)	NA
At trough	0	NA
Average (Genotropin)	NA	0
Consecutive measurements >2.0	9 (8.6)	1 (1.8)
Consecutive measurements >3.0	3 (2.9)	0
Annualized Height Velocity	11.2 cm/year	10.3 cm/year
Estimated Average IGF-1 SDS	0.4	0.0



IGF-1 Monitoring and Dose Adjustments in heiGHt



- IGF-1 SDS >2.0 at any visit should be confirmed by a second measurement if deemed clinically significant by the investigator
 - Samples should be collected 5-7 days post dose (TransCon hGH arm) or any day (Genotropin arm)
 - If the second IGF-1 SDS is also above 2.0 SDS, and of clinical concern, the dose may be decreased by ~20%

- 2/105 subjects on TransCon hGH reduced the dose due to high IGF-1 levels
- 1/56 subjects on Genotropin reduced the dose due to face/limb edema

Growth Hormone Research Society Position on LAGHs¹

IGF1 measurements during LAGH administration

Unlike the experience with daily GH, both the appropriate timing of blood sampling and the interpretation of the IGF1 standard deviation score (SDS) in LAGH-treated patients are controversial. LAGH preparations differ in the kinetics of serum GH and IGF1 that they induce. Studies need to take into account the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of each product in order to gauge the optimal timing of IGF1 measurement. The goal is to maintain serum IGF1 concentrations within the normal age-appropriate range for a majority of the treatment period.



Similar Change in Bone Age Over 52 Weeks



Bone Age	TransCon hGH (n=105) Mean Years	Genotropin (n=56) Mean Years
Baseline	5.84	5.98
Week 52	7.16	7.35
Change from Baseline	1.36	1.35

TransCon hGH
demonstrated superior
height velocity and
advanced bone age at the
same rate as Genotropin



Summary of Adverse Events: Safety Population



	TransCon hGH (n=105) n (%)	Genotropin (n=56) n (%)
Treatment-emergent Adverse Events (TEAEs)	81 (77.1)	39 (69.6)
TEAEs Related to Study Drug	12 (11.4)	10 (17.9)
Serious Adverse Events (AEs)	1 (1.0)	1 (1.8)
Serious AEs Related to Study Drug	0	0
TEAEs Leading to Any Action on Study Drug	2 (1.9)	1 (1.8)
TEAEs Leading to Discontinuation of Study Drug	0	0

- Adverse events for TransCon hGH consistent with type and frequency observed with Genotropin
- No serious adverse events related to study drug in either arm
- No treatment-emergent adverse event led to discontinuation of study drug in either arm



Adverse Events Reported by ≥5% of Subjects



Preferred Term	TransCon hGH (n=105) n (%)	Genotropin (n=56) n (%)
Pyrexia	16 (15.2)	5 (8.9)
Headache	13 (12.4)	7 (12.5)
Nasopharyngitis	12 (11.4)	8 (14.3)
Pharyngitis	10 (9.5)	10 (17.9)
Cough	10 (9.5)	4 (7.1)
Vomiting	9 (8.6)	3 (5.4)
Upper Respiratory Tract Infection	6 (5.7)	5 (8.9)
Respiratory Tract Infection	7 (6.7)	3 (5.4)
Secondary Hypothyroidism	7 (6.7)	3 (5.4)
Diarrhea	6 (5.7)	3 (5.4)
Pain in Extremity	4 (3.8)	4 (7.1)

No reports of adverse events of special interest (benign intracranial hypertension, scoliosis, slipped capital femoral epiphyses)



Stable Glycemic Parameters



TransCon hGH	Baseline	Week 5	Week 13	Week 26	Week 39	Week 52
HbA1c (%), mean	5.1	5.0	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2

Genotropin	Baseline	Week 5	Week 13	Week 26	Week 39	Week 52
HbA1c (%), mean	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1

Fasting glucose normal range 70 - 105 mg/dL

- Glycemic parameters were stable and within the normal range
- 2 subjects with high HbA1c (both 6.2%) at baseline remained stable throughout the trial



Low Incidence of Anti-hGH Binding Antibodies



Anti-hGH Binding Antibodies	TransCon hGH n=105 n (%)	Genotropin n=56 n (%)
Treatment-emergent positive	7 (6.7)	2 (3.6)
Transient, non-neutralizing	7 (6.7)	2 (3.6)
Persistent ¹	0	0
Neutralizing	0	0



heiGHt Trial Summary



- Treatment with TransCon hGH showed superiority over Genotropin in AHV at 52 weeks
 - Treatment difference in AHV reached statistical significance at Week 26 and onwards
 - Incidence of poor responders was ~3x lower in the TransCon hGH arm compared to the Genotropin arm
 - Only 2 dropouts; one in each treatment arm
- Safety profile of TransCon hGH was consistent with daily Genotropin
 - Low Incidence of anti-hGH binding antibodies and no neutralizing antibodies
 - Similar local injection site tolerability between treatment arms
- IGF-1 SDS scores were generally within the normal range following treatment for both groups
- BMI was statistically unchanged in both arms and trended toward normalization
- TransCon hGH advanced bone age at the same rate as Genotropin



Phase 3 fliGHt Trial Design



146 children with GHD (143 treatment-experienced)



Key Inclusion Criteria

- Investigator-determined GHD with supporting biochemical and auxologic criteria
- Age 6 months 17 years old
 - Tanner stage <5
 - Open epiphyses
 - Treated with commercially-available daily hGH therapy
 ≥0.20 mg/kg/week for 13 130 weeks
 - Children <3 years could have been treatment-naïve

Key Endpoints

- Adverse events
- Injection site reactions
- Incidence of anti-hGH antibodies
- Annualized height velocity at 26 weeks
- Change in height SDS at 26 weeks
- Proportion of subjects with IGF-1 SDS in the normal range (0.0 to +2.0) at 26 weeks
- PK/PD in subjects <3 years
- Preference and satisfaction with TransCon hGH



fliGHt Baseline Demographics



	TransCon hGH (N=146) Mean
Male (%)	75.3
Age (years)	10.6
Age Range (years)	1 - 17
Height SDS	-1.42
BMI (kg/m ²)	17.5
△ Average Parental Height SDS	-1.14
IGF-1 SDS	0.9
IGF-1 SDS Range	-1.9 – 4.0
Caucasian (%)	84.9
Recruited in North America (%)	95.2



Disease Characteristics at GHD Diagnosis



	n	TransCon hGH (N=146) Mean
Height SDS	138	-2.1
Peak Stimulated GH (ng/mL)	143	5.9
IGF-1 SDS	60	-1.27
Chronologic Age (years)	120	9.42
Bone Age (years)	120	8.23
Delay in Bone Age (years)	120	1.19



Previous Daily hGH Use



	TransCon hGH (N=146)
Daily hGH Dose Prior to Trial (mg/kg/week), mean (range)	0.29 (0.13 – 0.49)
Treatment-Experienced, n (%)	143 (97.9%)
<6 Months	40 (27.4%)
≥6 to <12 Months	32 (21.9%)
≥12 to <18 Months	28 (19.2%)
≥18 Months	43 (29.5%)
Treatment-Naïve, n (%)	3 (2.1%)



Summary of Adverse Events



	TransCon hGH (N=146) n (%)
Treatment-emergent Adverse Events (TEAEs)	83 (56.8)
TEAEs Related to Study Drug	6 (4.1)
Serious Adverse Events (AEs)	1 (0.7)*
Serious AEs Related to Study Drug	0
TEAEs Leading to Discontinuation of Study Drug	0

^{*} One subject reported two serious AEs; both considered unrelated



Stable HbA1c During Trial



	Baseline	Week 13	Week 26
	N=146	n=142	n=143
HbA1c (%), mean	5.2	5.2	5.2



IGF-1 SDS Observations from fliGHt Trial



IGF-1 SDS	Baseline On daily GH n=145	Week 13 Post-dose Day 5 (±1 day) n=143	Week 26 Post-dose Day 5 (±1 day) n=141
Mean (SD)	0.9 (1.3)	1.6 (1.2)	1.7 (1.2)
Categories			
IGF-1 SDS >2 and ≤3, n (%)	27 (18.6)	38 (26.6)	33 (23.4)
IGF-1 SDS >3, n (%)	5 (3.4)	17 (11.9)	22 (15.6)

No IGF-1 measurements were reported as adverse events



Mean AHV at Week 26 by Subgroups



	AHV at Week 26 (cm/year)	
	TransCon hGH (N=146) Arithmetic Mean	
Age		
<3 years	16.2	
≥3 and <6 years	10.0	
≥6 and <11 for girls; ≥6 and <12 for boys	8.2	
≥11 for girls; ≥12 for boys	9.0	
Gender		
Male	9.0	
Female	9.1	
Peak Stimulated GH		
≤5 ng/mL	9.6	
>5 ng/mL	8.6	



fliGHt Trial Summary



- Treatment with TransCon hGH in the fliGHt trial was generally safe and well-tolerated
 - Only 2 dropouts
- No serious adverse events related to study drug and no treatment-emergent adverse events leading to discontinuation of study drug
 - Safety profile consistent with heiGHt Trial
 - Stable HbA1c, morning cortisol and free thyroxine levels
 - For children <3 years, no unexpected safety issues observed
 - Well-tolerated injections
- IGF-1 SDS were generally within the normal range and no IGF-1 elevations were reported as adverse events
- Annualized height velocity was as expected in the context of subject characteristics
 - For children <3 years, AHV of 16 cm/year observed



Auto-Injector Designed to Improve Adherence



Key Features

- Simple operation with few user steps
- Single low-volume (<0.60mL) injection for patients ≤60kg
- Small needle, comparable to daily hGH (31G, 4mm)
- Room temperature storage
- No waste due to empty-all design
- Bluetooth® connectivity enabled for automatic data capture
- Device lifespan at least 4 years

Auto-Injector introduced into the enliGHten Trial and available at commercial launch





TransCon hGH Phase 3 Program



N=161

- Treatment-naïve subjects
- Top-line data reported



N=146

- Subjects previously treated (n=143) and treatment-naïve (<3 years, n=3)
- Top-line data reported

98% of eligible subjects from heiGHt and fliGHt rolled over to enliGHten



Extension trial (N=~300)

Regulatory filings (BLA H1 2020, MAA H2 2020)



TransCon hGH: Highlights

- Two phase 3 trials CIGHE and CIGHE demonstrated potential of TransCon hGH:
 - Superior efficacy in a treatment-naïve population in heiGHt Trial
 - Fewer poor responders compared to daily hGH
 - Comparable safety, tolerability and immunogenicity to a daily hGH for both treatment-naïve and treatment-experienced populations
- Auto-Injector introduced into enlighten
- Safety, tolerability and efficacy consistent between phase 2, heiGHt and fliGHt Trials
- BLA filing planned H1 2020 and MAA in H2 2020







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Ascendis Pharma Connected Healthcare (CH) Vision

Become a Leader in
Innovative Patient Care
Solutions that Integrates
Data Informatics to Enhance
Patient Care at the Individual
and Population Levels





Connected Healthcare Value Proposition

Patients and Caregivers Benefits

 Improved outcomes through enhanced adherence and persistence

Healthcare Professionals Benefits

 Better insight into patient progress to enable interventions

Payer Benefits

 Data informatics to better define value and outcomes ~60%

of pediatric endocrinologists believe connectivity would improve adherence rates¹



Connectivity Platform: Targets for Endocrinology Products



- Suite of patient and caregiver app, HCP and patient support program (PSP)
 web dashboard and backend/cloud solution with analytics capabilities
- Manual dose recording solution ready for potential launch
- Automated Bluetooth® dose recording solution ready for planned supplemental BLA



- Suite of patient and caregiver app, HCP and PSP web dashboard and backend/cloud solution with analytics capabilities (leverage the hGH suite/setup)
- Development of automated, Bluetooth dose recording solution



TransCon hGH: Attributes of the Planned CH Infrastructure

Connected Device **Digital Interfaces Cloud Platform** Integration with EMR systems, also CRM Today at 7:30 PM Patient & Caregiver App Connected Health Platform (MDDS) Data analysis via built-in Health Insight platform, custom Web Dashboard for Health Care applications or export/ Professionals, Patient Support integration to 3rd party tools

Programs, Administrators

- System records date, time and dose
- Opportunity for digital patient interaction, including patient use app, ongoing reminders and feedback
- Integration with physician, provider via HCP dashboard and data analytics



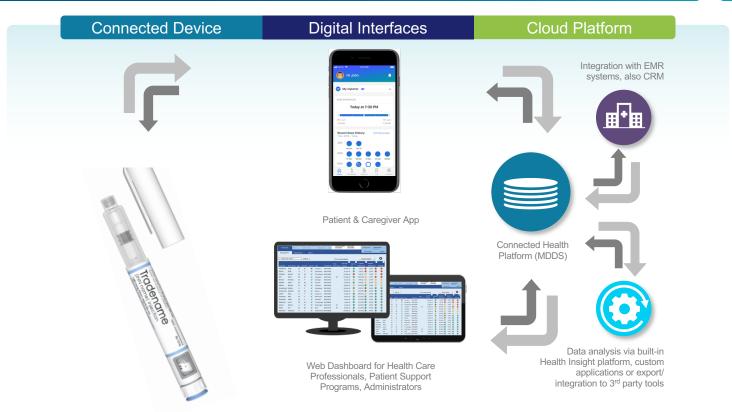
Technical Overview: Planned TransCon hGH Systems

	Initial Launch	Supplemental BLA
Auto-Injector (AI)	 Introduce easy-to-use AI Experience from phase 3 enliGHten Trial 	 Introduce Bluetooth connectivity and automated dose recording solution
CH App# /Dashboard+/ Cloud	 Designed for manual data entry via app App and dashboard connected to CH platform 	 Designed for connectivity App and dashboard connected to CH platform

^{#:} For IOS/Android; +: web based



TransCon PTH: Leverages hGH Connectivity Infrastructure





Connected Healthcare to Benefit Patient Experience

- Proprietary Auto-Injector designed to improve patient experience and outcomes
- Introduced into enliGHten Trial in June 2019
 - Provides sufficient patient data to support Al as part of initial BLA submission
- Development of a CH suite underway in accordance with Ascendis Pharma's vision of creating potential best-in-class products







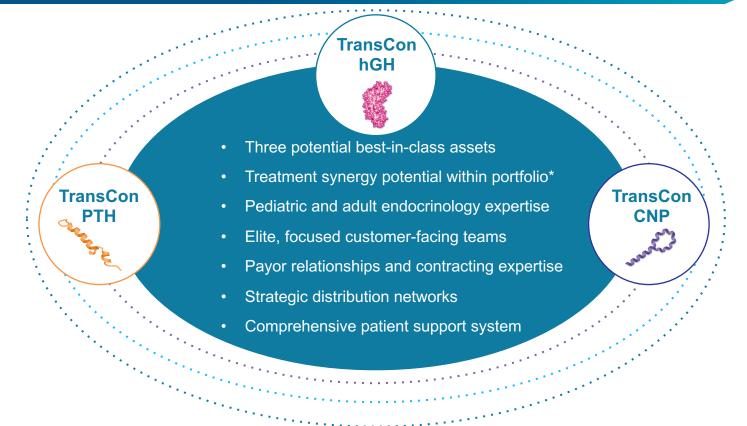
Commercialization Update

Tom Larson *SVP, Chief Commercial Officer*

Commercial Vision

To Create a Market Leading Brand in Every Product Category and to become a Trusted, Respected Partner within Every Customer Segment

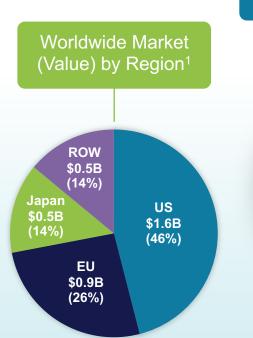
Robust Endocrinology Rare Disease Pipeline with Product and Treatment Synergies

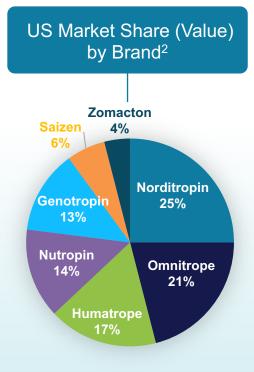




The Growth Hormone Market: Ripe for Disruption

- Large, established global market of ~\$3.5 billion and growing (2.4% CAGR)¹
- Concentrated prescriber audience
- Fragmented existing market with the same undifferentiated daily hGH molecule
- Limited innovation since rhGH was introduced >30 years ago



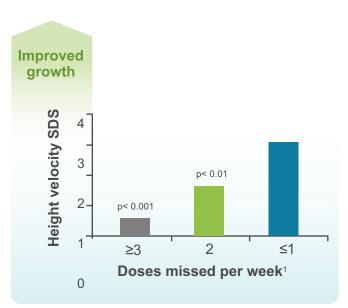




Daily Growth Hormone: The Problem!

In the 1st year, two of three patients miss >1 injection on average per week1

Impact of poor adherence



Drivers of poor adherence...outcome



Patient: Burden of injection is significant²



Parent: Experience significant stress and guilt injecting their child²



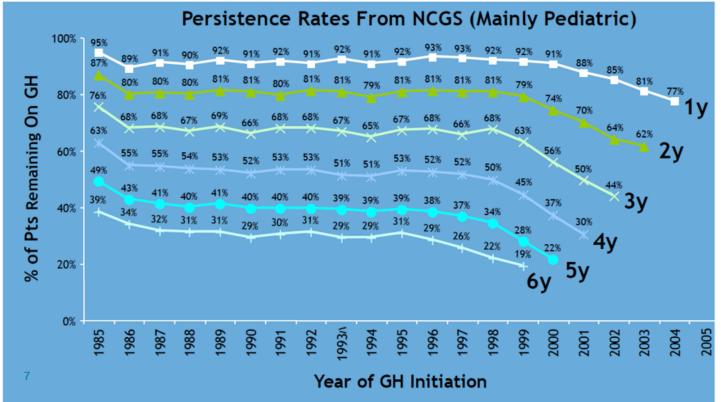
Children prefer weekly to daily dosing³



Bioavailability of daily GH varies up to 44%⁴



Persistence Rates Among Nutropin Patients Decline Over Recommended Treatment Period





TransCon hGH: Commercialization Strategic Imperatives

Drive Rapid
Market
Penetration

Expand the Market

Ensure Sustainable Success



Strategic Imperative #1: Drive Rapid Market Penetration



Mobilize Patient-Caregiver

- Drive broad education and awareness
- Create urgency to switch

KEY CUSTOMER SEGMENTS



Educate Pediatric Endocrinologists and Ped Endo Nurses

- TransCon hGH: The "New Standard" for naïve and existing patients
- Differentiate benefits of TransCon...the only unmodified LAGH in clinical development
- Initiatives to drive rapid patient adoption



Mitigate Barriers with Payers

- Drive patient demand
- Innovative market access "value" strategy
- Build long-term partnership in endocrine health



Strategic Imperative #2: Expand the Market

TransCon hGH Benefits Realized

- Enhanced patient adherence and persistence
- Expand in patients unwilling to take daily injections
- Rescue failed patients

Connected Healthcare Platform

 Enhance patient engagement, education, adherence and persistence

Leverage Pipeline

- Innovative life-cycle-management and potential new treatment paradigms
- Potential new fixed dose combination therapies



Strategic Imperative #3: Ensure Sustainable Success

Leverage Pipeline and TransCon Platform

- Robust clinical development plan (life-cycle management)
- Potential best-in-class value proposition (more indications)
- To drive preferential payer formulary status



Clinical Evidence Expected to Pave Way for Rapid Adoption*



Unparalleled clinical evidence provides compelling value proposition and clear pathway for starting Tx-naïve patients





Confidence in switching patients for rapid market penetration





Provides
assurance with
long-term safety
and efficacy
assessments

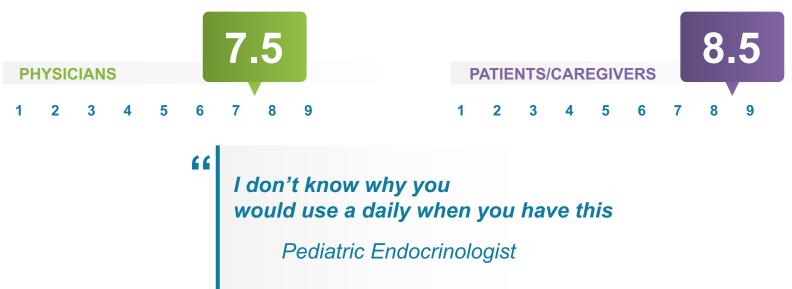




TransCon hGH Expected to Deliver on Patient Unmet Need¹

Product X (TransCon hGH) Clinical Value Average rating on a scale of 1 to 9

[based on non-inferior efficacy]



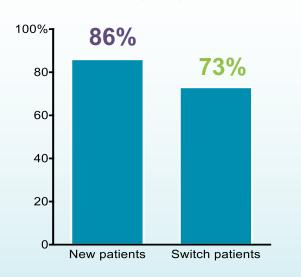


With Non-inferior Efficacy, Physicians Would Offer TransConhGH to Most Eligible Patients¹

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100% of Patients with PGHD Considered Eligible for TransCon hGH

% of Patients Who Would be Offered TransCon hGH (N=25)



This is terrific...No antibodies, small needle, variety of cartridge and dosing is all great

Pediatric Endocrinologist



Planned Go to Market Strategy

Disrupt Status Quo

Mitigate Barriers

Drive Demand

Redefine management of GHD, build differentiated value proposition

Mitigate payer barriers, ensure rapid and broad access

Drive rapid adoption, expand market

Pre-Launch Period (unbranded disease education)

Launch Period (branded TC-hGH promotion)



Why Use TransCon hGH?

Expected Value Proposition

- Weekly administration
- The only LAGH in clinical development which releases unmodified hGH to adequately address the totality of the disease
- Superior efficacy compared to daily hGH (heiGHt)
- Fewer poor responders than daily hGH
- Compelling clinical evidence for both treatment-naïve and switch patients
- Comparable safety and tolerability to daily hGH
- Fully integrated connected health care platform
- Easy-to-use Auto-Injector
 - Room temperature stability
 - Small 31-gauge, 4 mm needle
 - Small volume (0.6 ml)



Why Use TransCon hGH?

Why Not?







Global Clinical Reach

Region	US	EU	Japan	South Korea	China
Nonclinical packet acceptable for regulatory filing					
Regulatory concurrence with proposed clinical development plan			Planned phase 3 initiation 2020* (40 subjects)		Planned phase 3 initiation 2019** (75 subjects)



^{*} Ethnobridging is required before initiation of Phase 3

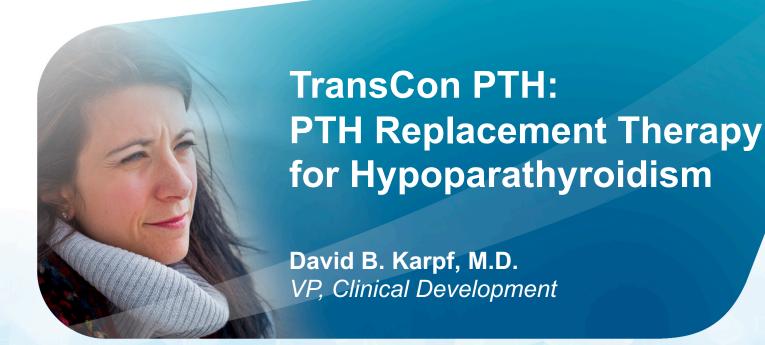
^{**} Phase 3 being conducted by Visen Pharma

TransCon hGH: Raising the Bar

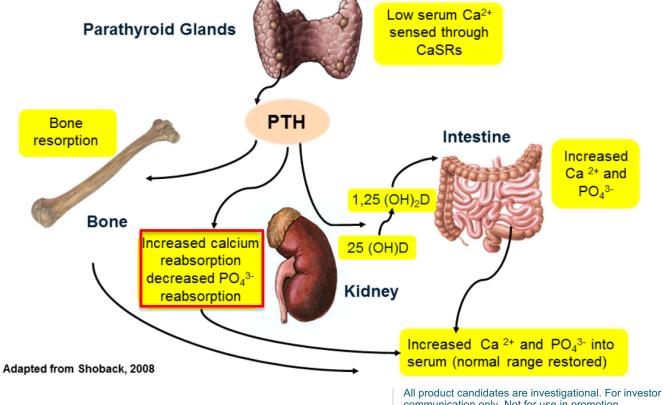
- Phase 3 heiGHt Trial demonstrated superior efficacy of TransCon hGH in pediatric GHD, with comparable safety and tolerability
- BLA filing expected H1 2020 and MAA filing expected H2 2020
- Global clinical reach aligned with regional regulatory agencies; phase 3 planned to be initiated in China 2019 and in Japan 2020
- Multiple label expansions planned: Adult GHD program to be initiated 2020
- Easy-to-use Auto-Injector with automatic data capture and integration with connected healthcare platform aims to improve adherence
- Commercial-scale manufacturing and supply chain established
- Commercialization leadership team, infrastructure and launch plan in place
- 17 independent patent filings, including composition-of-matter and device covering TransCon hGH, provide potential protection into 2039







PTH Controls Serum Calcium, Serum Phosphate, Urinary Calcium and Bone Turnover





Hypoparathyroidism: Severe Short-term Complications

Debilitating Symptoms

Hypocalcemia

Paresthesias, muscle cramps, tetany, laryngospasm, seizures, coma

Brain fog

Anxiety due to "fear of crash"

Hypercalcemia

Nocturia, polyuria, constipation, muscle weakness, coma



Reduced QOL

85%

Report inability to perform household activities¹

76%

Either unable to work or report significant interference with work d/t HP symptoms²



Hypoparathyroidism: Severe Long-term Complications

4-fold

increased risk of renal disease (nephrocalcinosis, nephrosclerosis, kidney stones & renal insufficiency)

2-fold

increased risk of depression or bipolar disorder

4-fold

increased risk of seizures



79%

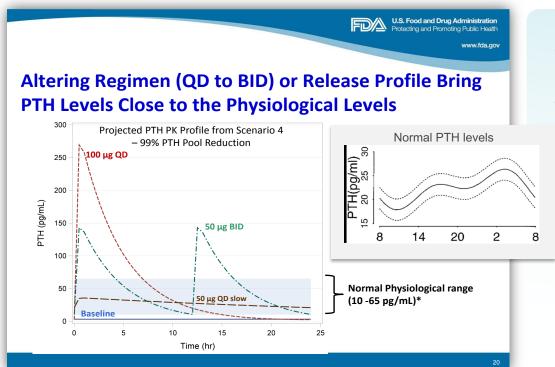
require hospitalizations or emergency department visits

52%

experience brain calcifications (basal ganglia)



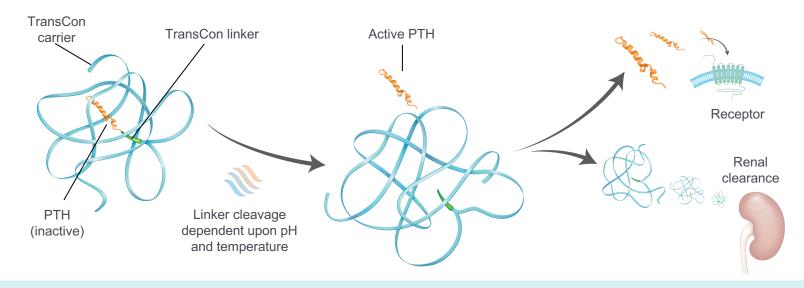
Constant Normal Level of PTH is Optimal - FDA Perspective 1,2



- Daily PTH(1-84) increases serum calcium for ~20 hours
- Control of urinary calcium excretion is short-lived (10-12 hours); renal reabsorption of calcium follows PK profile^{1,2}
 - Regulatory view based on NIH studies demonstrated continuous SC infusion of PTH(1-34) superior in patients with HP vs BID injections, normalizing sCa, sP, uCa, and bone turnover despite a >60% lower daily dose^{3,4}



TransCon PTH Design



- TransCon PTH is a sustained-release prodrug designed to provide stable PTH levels in the physiological range for 24 hours/day
- TransCon PTH designed to normalize blood and urinary calcium levels, serum phosphate and bone turnover

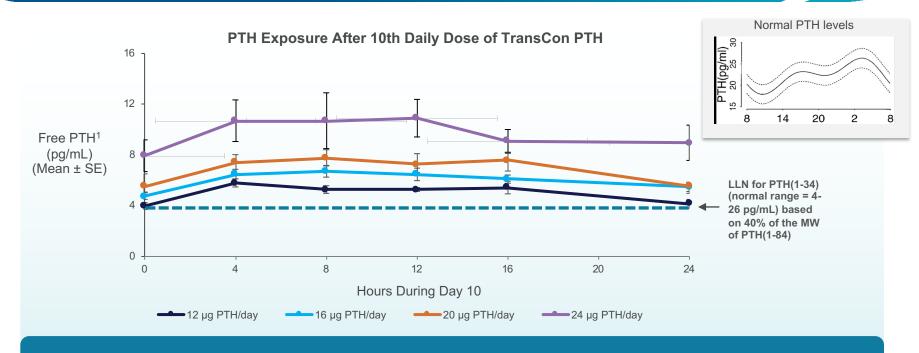


Phase 1 Trial Designed to Evaluate PK/PD

- 132 normal healthy subjects (male and female)
- Cohorts of 10 subjects (8 active, 2 placebo)
- 7 single-ascending dose (SAD) cohorts (3.5 to 124 μg)
- 6 multiple-ascending dose (MAD) cohorts (3.5 to 24 μg/day)
- Key endpoints:
 - PK: Free PTH
 - PD: Adjusted serum calcium and phosphate, FECa, intact PTH(1-84), bone turnover markers



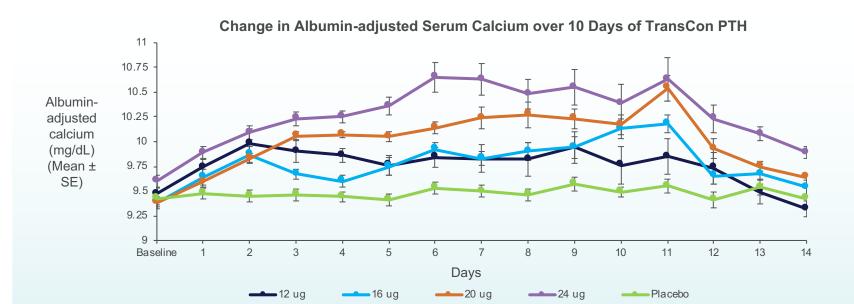
Phase 1: PK Data Support Infusion-like Profile over 24 Hours



- TransCon PTH daily dosing for 10 days provided a flat infusion-like profile with low PTH peak-to-trough ratio at day 10
- Dosing in evening predicted to recapitulate the diurnal exposure of endogenous PTH in normal subjects



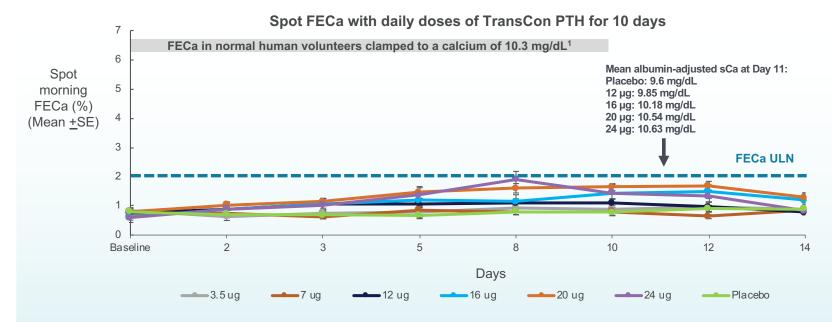
Dose-Dependent Increase of Serum Calcium



TransCon PTH daily dosing for 10 days provided dose-dependent increase of serum calcium, with more stable calcium levels over the day



Control of Urinary Calcium Despite Mild Hypercalcemia with Multiple Doses

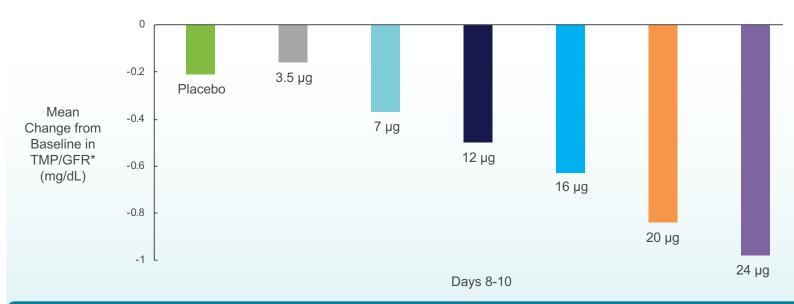


Despite sCa at as high as 11.2 mg/dL (with increased renal filtered Ca), FECa (renal calcium excretion) remained normal; well below values reported for NHVs clamped to serum Ca of 10.3 mg/dL¹, reflecting potent PTH-mediated renal Ca reabsorption



Dose-Dependent Phosphaturic Effect

Phosphaturic Effect After Multiple Doses of TransCon PTH

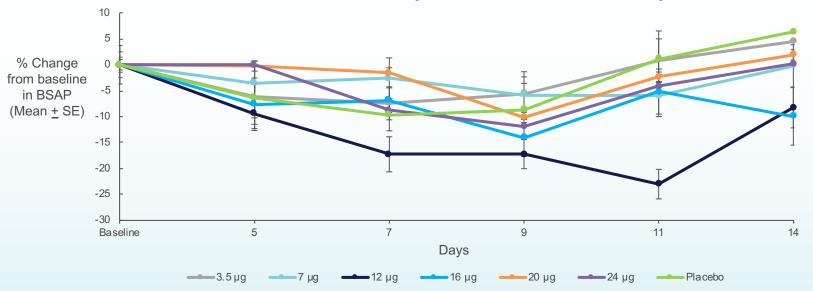


TMP/GFR (phosphate excretion in urine) showed significant dose-dependent reduction (p=0.0022 for linear dose response) resulting in significant reduction in sP (p=0.0430)



No Increase in BSAP: No Evidence of Anabolic Effect



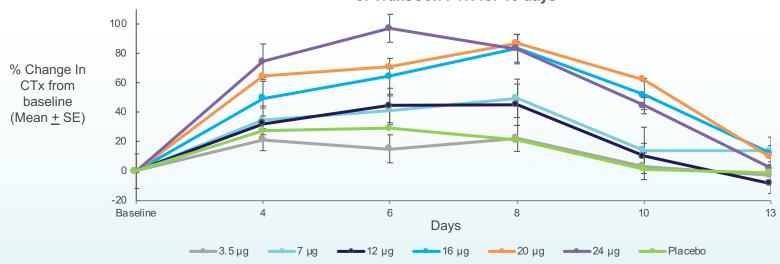


At baseline, BSAP (bone-specific alkaline phosphatase) was similar among treatment groups and remained stable over 10 days of dosing, suggesting TransCon PTH has no anabolic effect



Modest and Only Transient Increase in Serum CTx





- CTx showed a <u>transient</u> modest increase after repeat daily doses of ≥16 μg/day, less than the sustained increase (100-200%) with daily PTH(1-84) and PTH(1-34)
- No increase was seen in urine NTx (data not shown)



Phase 1 Trial Safety Summary

- Generally well-tolerated
- 2 placebo subjects (vs. 0 active subjects) discontinued due to SAEs
- 4 subjects experienced SAEs, all of which were unrelated to study drug or placebo
 - SAD: 1 placebo subject ("bacteremia") (withdrew)
 - 1 active (12 µg) subject ("catheter site phlebitis")
 - MAD: 1 placebo subject ("catheter site phlebitis") (withdrew)
 - 1 active (12 µg/day) subject ("post-viral neutropenia")
- No PTH antibodies were seen.
- Dose-limiting toxicity (DLT) was not reached in the highest SAD cohort (124 μg)
- DLT (vasodilatory AEs) was reached in the highest MAD cohort (24 μg/day), in 4/8 (50%) active vs 2/2 (100%) placebo subjects



TransCon PTH: Phase 1 Summary

- Half life of ~60 hours
- Flat, infusion-like profile within the physiological normal concentration range with daily administration
- Dose-dependent increase in serum calcium, decrease in serum phosphate, and suppression of endogenous PTH(1-84)
- Maintained normal urine calcium excretion despite mild hypercalcemia
- Well-tolerated, with no drug-related serious or severe adverse events



TransCon PTH: Target Profile

A sustained-release PTH that produces 24-hour PTH levels within the normal range, similar to continuous pump delivery

- Remove current standard of care (active vitamin D and calcium)
- Control hypo- and hypercalcemic episodes
- Control hypercalciuria
- Control hyperphosphatemia
- Normalize bone turnover, leading to a modest decrease (to normal) in trabecular bone mass, and no significant decline in cortical bone mass
- Absence of an anabolic effect may predict a lower or absent theoretical osteosarcoma risk



TransCon PTH Phase 2 Trial Design



~40 adult subjects with HP currently receiving standard of care (active vitamin D + calcium)



Primary Composite Endpoint (4 weeks)

Proportion of subjects with:

- Normal serum calcium; AND
- Normal FeCa (or at least 50% decrease from baseline); AND
- Off active vitamin D; AND
- Taking ≤1,000 mg/day calcium

Key Secondary Endpoints (4 weeks)

Primary composite AND taking ≤500 mg/day calcium

Additional Endpoints ≥4 weeks

- PRO* measures (HPES: a disease-specific PRO for HP)
- Nephrolithiasis, nephrosclerosis, vascular calcification, ER/urgent care visits and hospitalizations
- BMD and TBS by DXA, bone turnover markers, 24-hour urine calcium excretion (in extension only)



Simple Pen Injector in Phase 2

Key Features

- Simple operation
- Three multi-use pens with three different strengths (6, 9, 12 μ g; 15, 18, 21 μ g; 24, 27, 30 μ g)
- Ready-to-use liquid formulation, room temp stability for 14 days
- Low injection volume (≤0.1 mL)
- Small (31G), short (5 mm) safety pen needle



Pen injector planned for commercial launch being used in phase 2



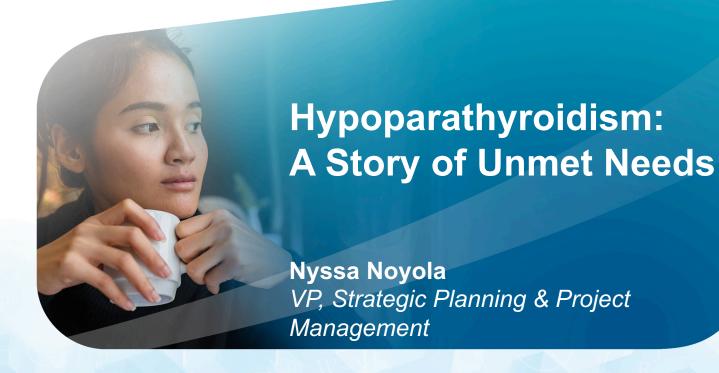


TransCon PTH: Highlights

- Phase 1 data support TransCon PTH as a true replacement therapy for HP
- Phase 2 trial initiated in adult HP subjects
 - Randomized placebo-controlled study for approximately four weeks with fixed TransCon PTH doses and titration regimen for complete withdrawal of SoC (active vitamin D and calcium)
 - Validation of disease-specific PRO for use in phase 3 trial
 - Introduction of ready-to-use prefilled pen device in the phase 2 trial
 - Subjects from phase 2 trial expected to enter into a long-term extension trial
- Phase 2 top-line data expected late Q4 2019
- On track to incorporate Asian territories into global phase 3 trial in late 2020







Chronic Hypoparathyroidism: Significant Patient Population

Estimated Prevalence: ~200k in these 4 regions

USA

~70k-112k

- 2013, Powers et. al., Prevalence and Incidence of Hypoparathyroidism in the United States Using a Large Claims Database, JBMR
- 2011, Clarke et. al., Co-morbid Medical Conditions Associated with Prevalent Hypoparathyroidism: A Population-Based Study

Europe

~86k-223k

- 2013, Underbjerg et. al., Cardiovascular and Renal Complications to Postsurgical Hypoparathyroidism: A Danish Nationwide Controlled Historic Follow-up Study
- 2015, The Epidemiology of Nonsurgical Hypoparathyroidism in Denmark: A Nationwide Case Finding Study
- 2016, Astor et. al., Epidemiology and Health-Related Quality of Life in Hypoparathyroidism in Norway

Japan

~25k-32k

- 2016, Suzuki et. al., Factors Associated with Neck Hematoma After Thyroidectomy
- 2018, Interview conducted with Japanese HP expert

South Korea

~12k-13k

- S. Korean ICD-10 codes
- 2018, Interview conducted with S. Korean HP expert



Engaged Endocrinologists and Patients to Build Deeper Understanding of Hypoparathyroidism

2018 HP Survey (>100 Endocrinologists)

- Surveyed and interviewed >100 US endocrinologists treating patients with HP, across:
 - Private practice, teaching and non-teaching settings
 - Urban, suburban and rural settings
 - >30 US states
 - Varied patient volumes
 - Treatment preferences: prescribing SoC vs. PTH(1-84) vs. PTH(1-34)

2019 HP Patient Experience Research (>50 Patients)

- Interviewed >50¹ adult patients with HP
- Patient mix included:
 - Females and males, aged 26-76
 - Post-surgical and idiopathic HP
 - Suffering from HP for 1-49 years
 - Prescribed SoC and/or PTH replacement therapy



Endocrinologists Acknowledge Unmet Needs Remain¹

Important Unmet Needs in Management of HP (N=108)

Absence of Long-Acting Therapy

A single dose of PTH preparation with longenough half-life so that accidentally missing a dose does not place the patient in the [Emergency Department] in tetany

Hypercalciuria

Urinary calcium and risk of nephrocalcinosis and kidney stones

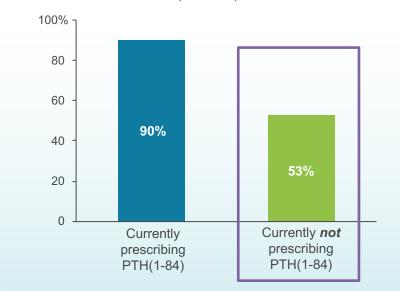
Absence of True Replacement Therapy

There is a need for a pathogenetic replacement drug that recapitulates and corrects all aspects of the syndrome, including the hypercalciuria

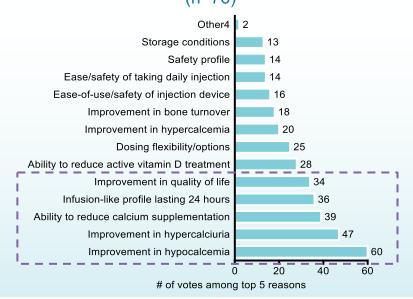


>70% of Physicians Indicate Likelihood to Prescribe TransCon™ PTH¹

Physicians Likely to Prescribe TransCon PTH² (N=108)



Reasons to Prescribe TransCon PTH^{3,4} (n=76)



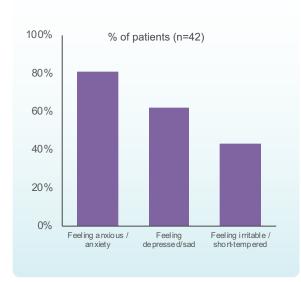
Confirms TransCon PTH target product profile and reinforces significant unmet need



100% of Patients with Hypoparathyroidism Experience Negative Impacts¹

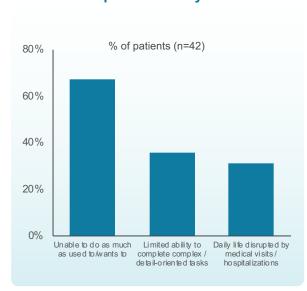
100% of Patients Reported Psychological Impacts

Psychological Impacts



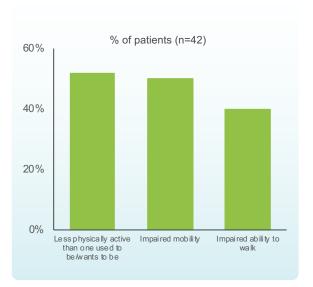
95% of Patients Reported Interference with Daily Life

Impacts on Daily Life



95% of Patients Reported Impacts on Physical Functioning

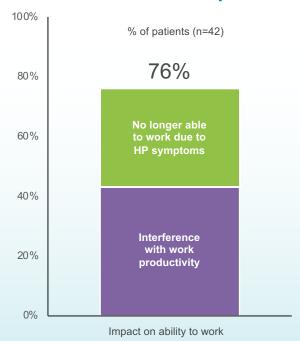
Impacts on Physical Functioning





Vast Majority of Patients Unable to Work or Less Productive Due to HP Symptoms¹

Work-Related Impacts



- Among those currently employed, 90% reported their HP symptoms interfered with work productivity, most often due to:
 - Ability to perform cognitive tasks
 - Absenteeism
 - Interference with ability to perform physical tasks
- 45% of patients experienced the economic impacts of a loss of income due to hypoparathyroidism



Majority of Patients Remain Unsatisfied with Current Management and Care for HP¹

71% of Patients Reported Difficulty² in Managing HP

If my calcium level is good, then I might only have paresthesia four or five times a week. If I'm going through a really rough patch...then it will happen daily, several times a day. That's one of the things that can be very frustrating with this disease...it's so poorly controlled.

64% of Patients
Reported Difficulty to
Find Physicians with
Sufficient HP Knowledge

I find that doctors don't know much about this and...I have to educate them. I ordered these booklets from the hypoparathyroidism organization...The endocrinologist that I see he does have some patients that have hypoparathyroidism, but it's not the majority of his practice.



Summary of Goals for TransCon PTH

TransCon PTH is designed to address all aspects of the disease by restoring physiological levels of PTH throughout the day

- Normalize serum and urinary calcium, eliminate active vitamin D supplementation and reduce calcium supplementation
- Address short-term and long-term complications of HP
- Improve quality of life by minimizing symptoms and impacts of disease
- Provide patients with easy-to-use, convenient pen injector







TransCon CNP: The New Frontier of Growth Biology

- C-type natriuretic peptide (CNP) is a promising therapeutic target for treating growth failure and dwarfism
 - Inhibits the overactive signalling resulting from both ligand-dependent and independent signalling through the mutated FGFR3 receptor causing achondroplasia
- Due to its very short half-life (2-3 minutes), CNP has historically not been a druggable target, as prolonged exposure is required for improved growth
- Phase 1 data support the TransCon CNP Target Product Profile

TransCon CNP may provide benefit in several growth disorders — as monotherapy, and potentially in combination with TransCon hGH



Achondroplasia: High Morbidity



Up to 85% of patients require intervention for obstructive sleep apnea and respiratory insufficiency

25% of children have hearing loss increasing to > 50% in adulthood

22% have osteotomy

15-30% have fixed kyphotic deformity

Up to 28% require cevicomedullary decompression by age 4

10% of children have neurological signs of spinal stenosis

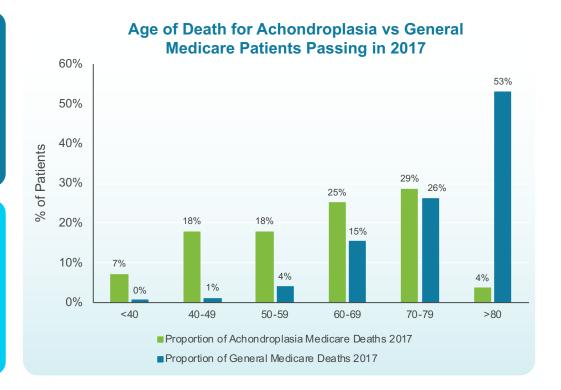
80% of adults have clinical signs and symptoms related to spinal stenosis



Achondroplasia: Higher Mortality

Preliminary analysis shows among achondroplasia patients a median age of death of 60 years – consistent with the published literature

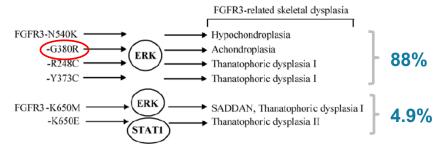
Markedly higher rates of death in these patients compared to the overall Medicare population, especially among patients <70 years





Achondroplasia: Autosomal Dominant Mutation in *FGFR3*

Mutations leading to different Skeletal Dysplasias¹



Different Conformations of the FGFR3 G380R mutated dimer²



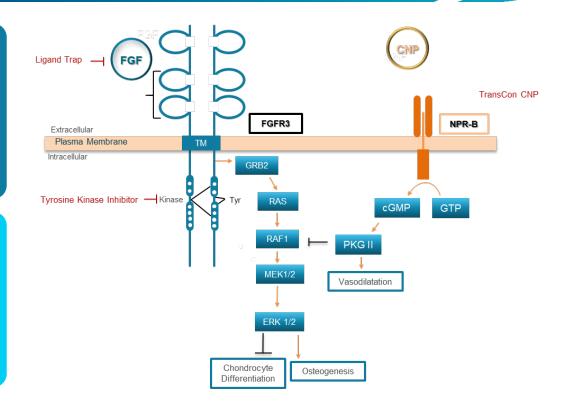
Downstream inhibition required to inhibit ligand-independent signaling



Achondroplasia Signaling Defect is Well Understood¹

TransCon CNP continuously inhibits abnormal FGFR3 signaling, restoring proliferation and differentiation of chondrocytes to rebalance bone growth

CNP does not alter the function of FGF receptors or change endogenous levels of FGF ligands, reducing the risk of interfering with normal FGF biology





CNP: Fits Our Unique Algorithm for Innovation

To address the overactive FGFR3 signaling pathway, CNP was selected as the most promising target to rebalance growth



EFFICACIOUS

 Correction of phenotypical features in achondroplasia mouse model following continuous exposure to CNP



SPECIFICITY

 Only inhibiting abnormal FGFR3 signaling, and not interfering with other FGF biology



DEMONSTRATED SAFETY

- Well-tolerated in clinical trials
- Overexpression in humans is associated with skeletal overgrowth, with no other associated adversity

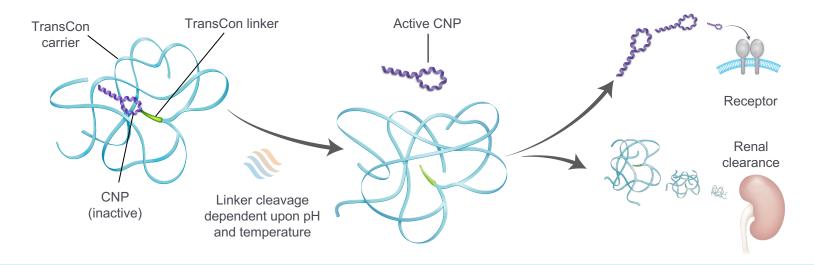


ACCESS THE GROWTH PLATE

- Growth plate is an avascular tissue; restricts access from the blood stream
- Growth plate acting drugs must be systemically tolerated at higher concentrations than for local effects due to diffusion gradient



TransCon CNP Design

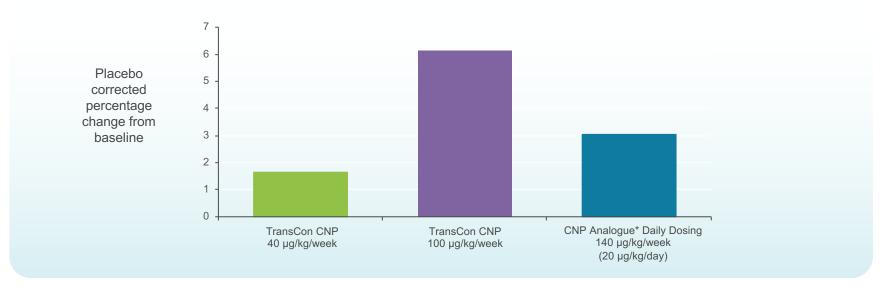


- TransCon technology is designed to provide effective shielding of CNP:
 - From neutral endopeptidase degradation in subcutaneous tissue and blood compartment
 - Minimize binding of TransCon CNP to the NPR-C receptor
 - Reduce binding of TransCon CNP to the NPR-B receptor in vasculature to avoid hypotension
- CNP liberated from TransCon CNP maintains small enough size to allow penetration into growth plates



Juvenile Healthy Monkey Growth Study

Tibial growth at 6 months (n=4/group)



- Demonstrated dose-proportional tibial linear growth; ulnar growth consistent
- TransCon CNP induced a more robust growth response compared to daily administration of CNP, despite being administered at a 40% lower dose



Phase 1 Trial Design

45 healthy adult male subjects TransCon CNP vs. placebo (4:1 randomization)

Each dose tested sequentially starting at lowest dose¹ Up to 10 subjects randomized in each dose cohort in a blinded manner

3 μg/kg **10** μg/kg **25** μg/kg

75 μg/kg

150 μg/kg

Dosing assignments unblinded after DSMB review

Data Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB) reviews blinded data after each dose cohort and approves escalation to next dose

Primary Endpoint

Frequency of adverse events (AEs) reported after administration of TransCon CNP

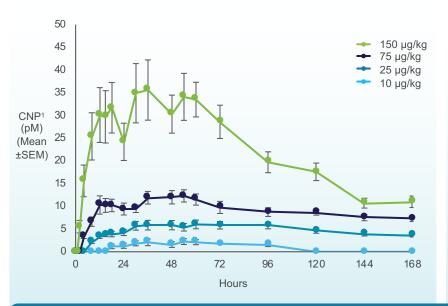
Secondary/Exploratory Endpoints

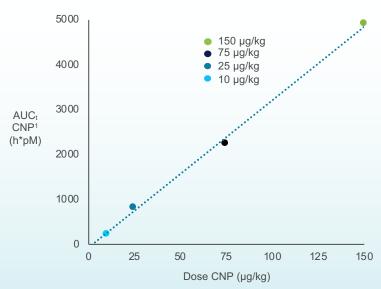
- Safety parameters and local tolerability assessment
- Pharmacokinetic parameters
- Other exploratory endpoints



Dose Proportional CNP Exposure For 1 Week

TransCon CNP 10, 25, 75 and 150 μg/kg (n=5-8/group)





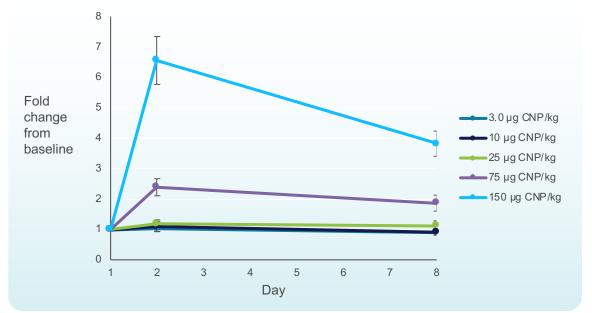
- · Dose proportional increase in CNP exposure suggests ability to titrate dosing
- Phase 1 showed effective CNP $t_{1/2}$ of approximately 120 hours (native CNP $t_{1/2}$ of 2-3 minutes)



Dose Dependent cGMP¹ Response Demonstrated Receptor Engagement For 7 Days

- cGMP is a secondary messenger of NPR-B activation by CNP
- cGMP levels correlate with TransCon CNP PK profile

Plasma cGMP (relative changes from baseline)



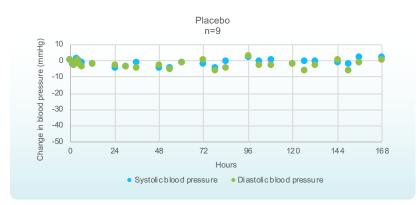


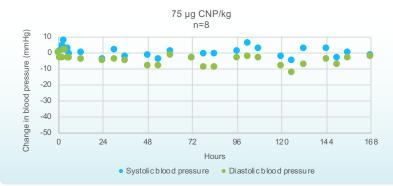
No Downregulation of Endogenous CNP Production

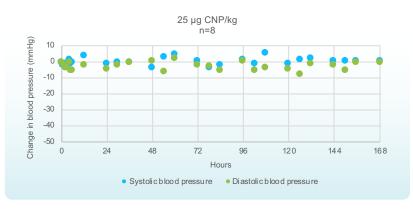
- The amino-terminal propeptide (NTproCNP¹) of CNP is a marker of endogenous CNP biosynthesis
- Across dose cohorts, no changes in NTproCNP levels were observed upon exposure
- No impact on CNP biosynthesis observed following single dose administration of TransCon CNP in healthy adults

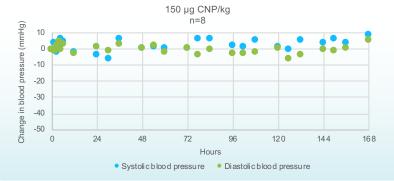


Mean Resting Blood Pressure Unchanged from Predose¹















TransCon CNP: Well-tolerated Safety Profile



No serious AEs were reported in the trial



TransCon CNP was generally well tolerated at doses up to 150 µg/kg



No anti-CNP antibodies detected in any subjects



Mean resting blood pressure and heart rate were unchanged from pre-dose at all time points, in all cohorts

Mean orthostatic changes in vital signs appear unrelated to TransCon CNP exposure; consistent between placebo and TransCon CNP cohorts



Injections were well tolerated in all dose cohorts



ACHieve Ongoing and Enrolling



- A global natural history study of ~200 children <8 years with achondroplasia (ACH)
- Evaluates height velocity, body proportionality and comorbidities
- Establishes relationships with study sites worldwide, paving the way for potential future TransCon CNP clinical trials
- Twenty sites selected:
 - Australia, Austria, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, UK, and US
 - Site qualification ongoing in other potential countries



TransCon CNP: Preliminary Phase 2 Trial Design



Up to 60 children (ages 2 – 10 years) with achondroplasia

TransCon CNP vs. placebo (3:1 randomization)

12 subjects randomized in each dose cohort in a blinded manner

6 μg/kg **20** μg/kg **50** μg/kg **100** μg/kg **>100** μg/kg

Data Monitoring Committee reviews blinded data after each dose cohort

Extension trial to evaluate safety and efficacy

Primary Endpoint

 Annualized height velocity, as measured after 12 months of weekly TransCon CNP treatment

Key Secondary Endpoints

- Change in body proportionality (upper to lower body segment ratio), as measured after 12 months of weekly TransCon CNP treatment
- Change in body mass index (BMI), as measured after 12 months of weekly TransCon CNP treatment
- Patient reported outcome (PRO) measures



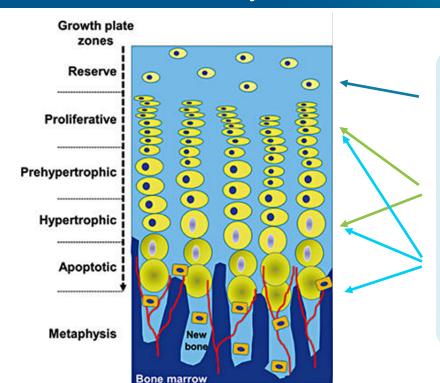
Expanding the Treatment Paradigm in Growth Disorders

TransCon hGH and TransCon CNP represent potential best-in-class product opportunities that we believe can be combined to improve treatment of growth disorders

Several growth disorders may benefit from combination therapy, including skeletal dysplasias, idiopathic short stature (ISS) and small for gestational age (SGA)



Growth Biology: Rationale for Combination Effects of Different Pathways



hGH acts directly on pre-chondrocytes in the growth plate, driving differentiation into chondrocytes required for sustained growth. hGH also stimulates local production of IGF-1

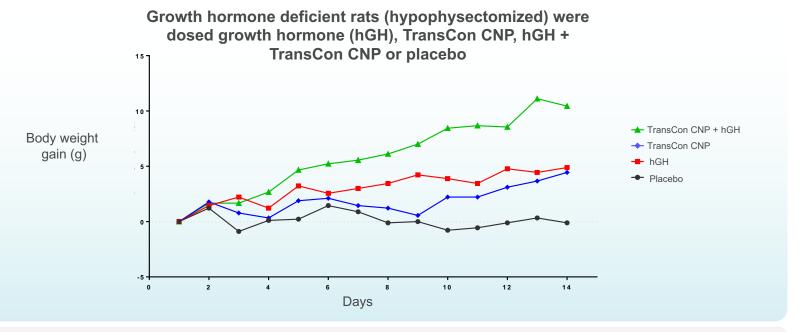
IGF-1 stimulates chondrocyte proliferation, hypertrophy and survival

CNP stimulates chondrocyte proliferation, hypertrophy, differentiation, and increases in extracellular matrix formation



Williams GR, Eur Thyroid J 2013:2:3

Additive Effects of hGH and TransCon CNP



Additive effect of combining of TransCon CNP and hGH consistent with stimulation of different signaling pathways in the growth plate



TransCon CNP: Highlights

- TransCon CNP phase 1 data reproduced PK profile and cardiovascular safety from preclinical studies, providing continuous CNP exposure over seven days with a single subcutaneous administration
 - Continuous CNP exposure at target levels is important for balancing the CNP/FGFR3 pathways and normalizing growth
 - Generally well tolerated across all cohorts
 - No anti-CNP antibodies in any subject
- Potential for a significant impact on patients' lives, not only affecting height but also addressing many comorbidities associated with achondroplasia
- ACHÍOV⊘ (natural history study) ongoing; initiation of phase 2 ACCOMPIĞH expected Q3 2019
- Potential to expand into other growth disorders as monotherapy and combined with TransCon hGH
- Multiple patent concepts provide potential protection into 2037







Summary and Q&A

TransCon PTH: Developing a True Replacement Therapy

- Phase 1 data support infusion-like profile of TransCon PTH as a true replacement therapy for HP, building on established approach to treat short-term symptoms and long term complications
- PaTH Forward phase 2 trial initiated in adult HP subjects with simple ready-to-use injector pens, followed by long-term extension trial; top-line data expected Q4 2019
- On track to initiate global phase 3 trial in H2 2020 in North America, Europe and Asia
- >70% of endocrinologists¹ indicated likelihood to prescribe TransCon PTH if approved
- ~65% of patients reported difficulty finding physicians with sufficient HP knowledge; disease education needed
- Disease burden validates potential market opportunity for TransCon PTH as potential best-in-class therapy for solving unmet need

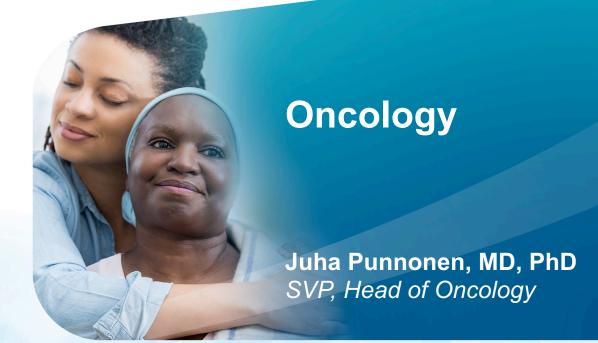


TransCon CNP: Pursuing New Frontier of Growth Biology

- Patients with achondroplasia (ACH) suffer numerous comorbidities, shorter lifespan and reduced quality of life; no FDA-approved therapy exists
- Selected CNP as preferred mode of action to treat disease, given necessity for downstream inhibition
- Preclinical findings and phase 1 data support TransCon CNP as providing continuous CNP exposure to balance CNP/FGFR3 pathways and restore growth
- Phase 1 data also demonstrated safety: well-tolerated with no serious AEs, no impact on blood pressure or heart rate, no downregulation of endogenous CNP production, and no anti-CNP antibodies
- Potential for significant impact on patients' lives, affecting height and many comorbidities associated with disease
- ACHieve natural history study enrolling; initiation of ACcomplisH phase 2 trial expected Q3 2019
- Potential to pursue other growth disorders as monotherapy and in combination with TransCon hGH







Vision in Oncology

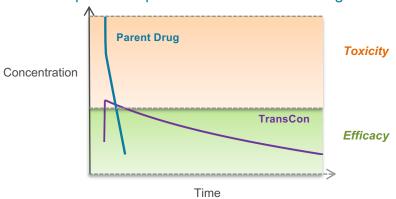
- Create best-in-class oncology therapies by applying systemic and intratumoral TransCon[™] technologies for clinically validated pathways
- Improve outcomes upon validated mechanisms that are currently limited by suboptimal efficacy and systemic toxicity
 - Apply Ascendis' unique algorithm for product innovation to oncology development
- Build a diversified high-value pipeline addressing multiple indications
 - File first IND (or equivalent) in 2020
- Enable rapid path to global commercialization, including through mutuallybeneficial collaborations as needed



Positioned to Make a Dramatic Impact in Oncology

- Aiming to apply TransCon technologies to clinically validated mechanisms to develop differentiated and potentially best-in-class products
 - Large number of validated oncology targets with known limitations
 - Applicable for diverse drug classes and mechanisms of action
 - Enable both systemic and intratumoral (IT) approaches

Expected Impact of TransCon Technologies

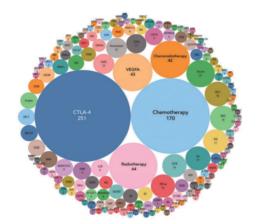


Potential to enable superior efficacy of small molecules, peptides, proteins without increased toxicity by prolonging therapeutic levels



TransCon Has the Potential to Address the Toxicity Challenges Associated with Multi-agent Combination Treatments

Large Number of Combination Trials Ongoing



Tang et al., Ann Onc. 2018

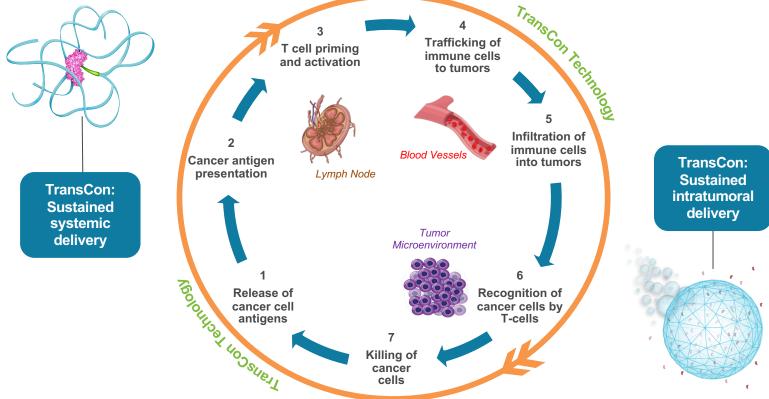
Combinations Have Gained Recent FDA-Approvals, while Combination Toxicity and Treatment Discontinuations are Limiting Success

	PD-1 mono- therapy ^{1,2}	PD-1 + chemotherapy³	PD-1 + VEGF- TKI ⁴	PD-1 + CTLA-4 ⁵
Grade 3 or 4 AE ⁶	10%	67%	76%	59% (TRAE ⁷)
AEs leading to discontinuations	2 – 12%	20%	30%	39%

TransCon technologies have the potential to enable new multi-agent combinations with lower toxicity than feasible with approved approaches



Potential to Broadly Facilitate in Anti-tumor Responses: TransCon Immunity Cycle





Differentiated Product Opportunities via Systemic or IT Routes



- Designed to preferentially activate CD8⁺ T and NK cells relative to Treg cells
- TransCon sustained systemic delivery



- Designed to enhance innate immune response and antigen presentation
- TransCon sustained intratumoral delivery



- Designed to modulate tumor microenvironments to facilitate immune response
- TransCon sustained intratumoral delivery





Product Candidates in Oncology

IL-2 Selective for the IL-2R β/γ



Opportunity for TransCon IL-2 β/γ

Efficacy

• Sustained release of IL-2 with selectivity for β/γ receptor is needed to improve exposure and activation of CD8+ T cells and NK cells relative to Tregs

Safety

 Sustained release of selective IL-2 expected to avoid high Cmax and reduce risk of vascular leak syndrome

New Indications

- Improved tolerability is needed to enable more aggressive combination approaches
- Potential efficacy across multiple indications

TransCon IL-2 β/γ



Designed to achieve optimal receptor binding and exposure profile for superior efficacy and tolerability



IL-2: Validated Cytokine with Suboptimal Receptor Binding and PK Properties

Suboptimal receptor binding

- Two receptors: IL-2Rα/β/γ and IL-2Rβ/γ
- α/β/γ receptor activates Tregs and endothelial cells, reducing efficacy and increasing risk of capillary leak syndrome

Suboptimal PK

- Short half life of IL-2 (~1.5 h)
- High Cmax and pulsatile dosing drive adverse events

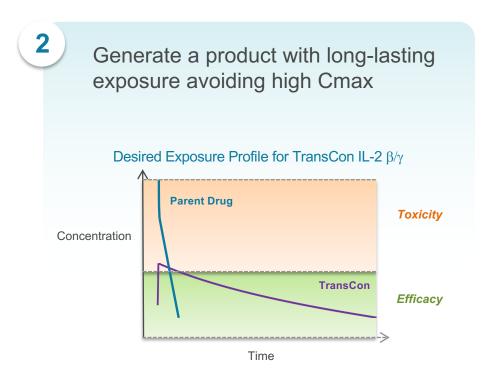


 To our knowledge, none have fully solved both shortcomings of IL-2



Next Generation IL-2: Designed for Desired Receptor Binding and Exposure

Prevent IL-2Rα binding to selectively activate β/γ receptor IL-2 IL-2Ra **Promotes Treq Promotes CD8+** Limit anti-tumor Promote anti-tumor responses responses





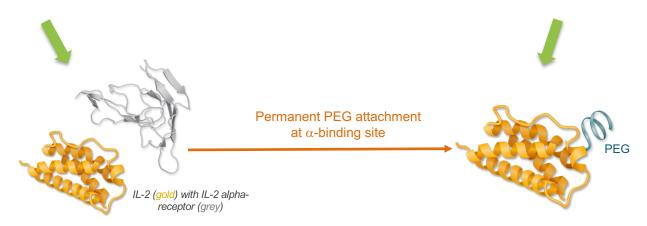
Design of IL-2 β/γ : Site-selective PEGylation for Permanent Receptor Selectivity and Optimized Potency

Generation of IL-2 Variant

Introduction of cysteine at α -binding site of IL-2

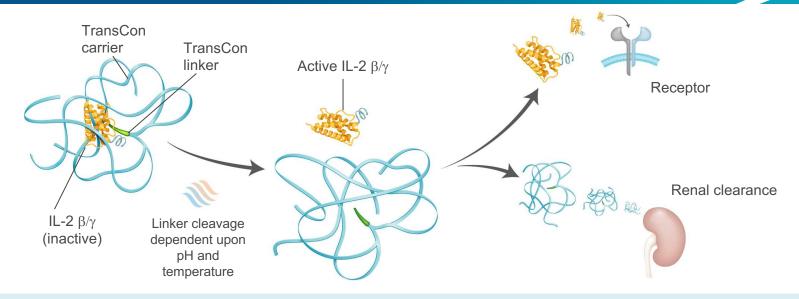
Blocking α -binding

Site-selective permanent conjugation of small (<10kDa) PEG molecule results in selective binding to IL-2Rβ/γ





Design of TransCon IL-2 β/γ

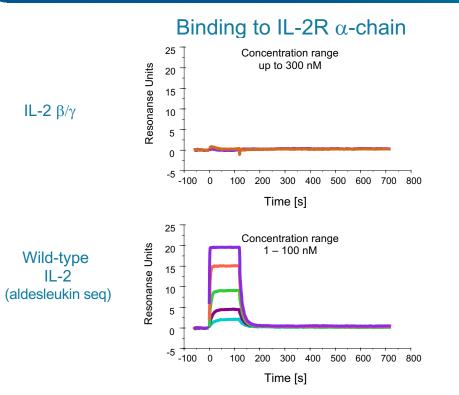


TransCon Technology designed to generate long-acting, permanently receptor selective TransCon IL-2 β/γ

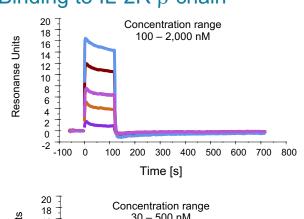
- \checkmark Prevent IL-2Rα binding to selectively activate β/γ receptor
- ✓ Sustained, long-lasting exposure utilizing the TransCon hGH linker and carrier, predicted to have a half-life in humans of 2-3 days

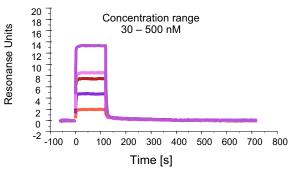


Permanently PEGylated IL-2 β/γ Demonstrated Low Binding to IL-2R α , while Retaining Binding to IL-2R β



Binding to IL-2R β -chain



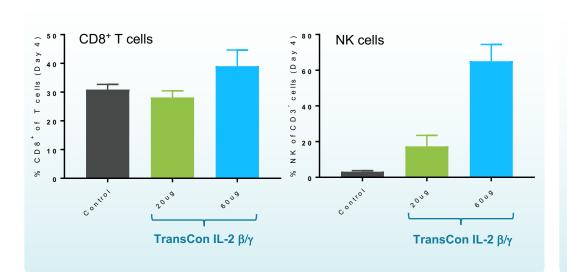


Receptor selectivity confirmed in cell-based assays, including primary human Tregs and CD8⁺ T cells

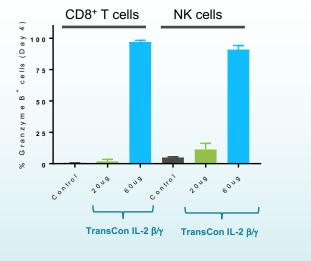


TransCon IL-2 β/γ Expanded and Activated CD8⁺ T cells and NK Cells *in vivo* in Mice

TransCon IL-2 β/γ Expanded CD8+ T cells and NK Cells *in vivo*

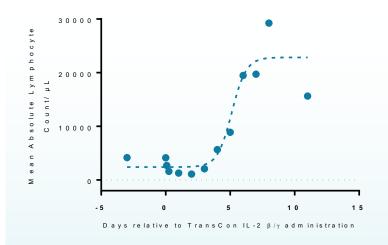


TransCon IL-2 β/γ Activated Both CD8⁺ T cells and NK cell *in vivo*

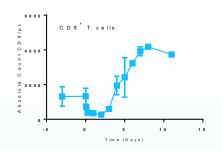


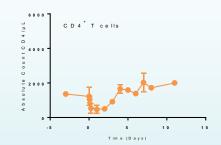


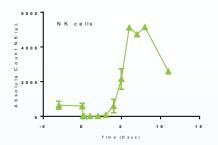
Single Dose of TransCon IL-2 β/γ Increased Levels of Circulating CD8+ T cells and NK cells in Cynomolgus Monkeys

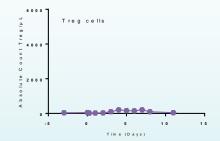


Compound	Sex/Weight	Dose	Dosing
Name		(mg/animal)	frequency
TransCon IL-2 β/γ	M/9.2 kg M/8.9 kg M/9.0 kg	0.5 1.0 1.5	Once on Day 0



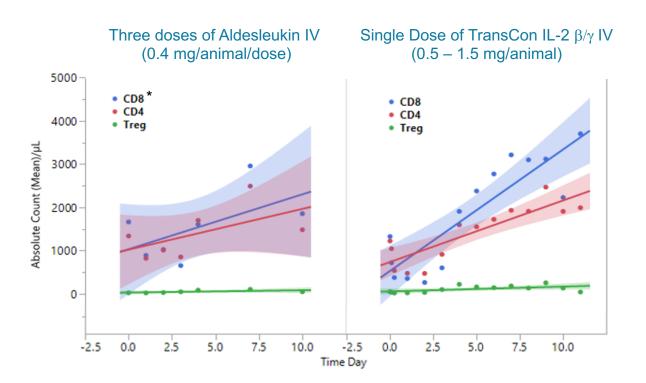








TransCon IL-2 β/γ Preferentially Expanded CD8⁺ T cells Relative to Treg cells in Cynomolgus Monkeys



TransCon IL-2 β/γ well tolerated:

- No dose-limiting toxicity
- No changes in clinical chemistry parameters (albumin, globulin, creatinine, ALT, AST, bilirubin)

Compound	Sex	Dose	Dosing frequency
Name	/Weight	(mg/animal)	
Aldesleukin	M/8.3 kg	0.4	Days 0, 1, 2
	M/8.2 kg	0.4	Days 0, 2, 4
TransCon IL-2 β/γ	M/9.2 kg M/8.9 kg M/9.0 kg	0.5 1.0 1.5	Once on Day 0



TransCon IL-2 β/γ - Summary

- Designed to fully solve the limitations of IL-2
 - Optimized receptor binding and exposure
 - Selective activation of IL-2Rβ/γ observed
 - Potent expansion and activation of CD8⁺ T cells and NK cells in vivo
 - Preferential activation of CD8⁺ T cells relative to Tregs observed in cynomolgus monkeys with a single dose
 - TransCon IL-2 β/γ was well-tolerated with no dose limiting toxicity and no clinical chemistry parameters measured
- Potential for best-in-class IL-2 molecule across multiple tumor types





Immunotherapy of cancer and intratumoral treatments: challenges and promise

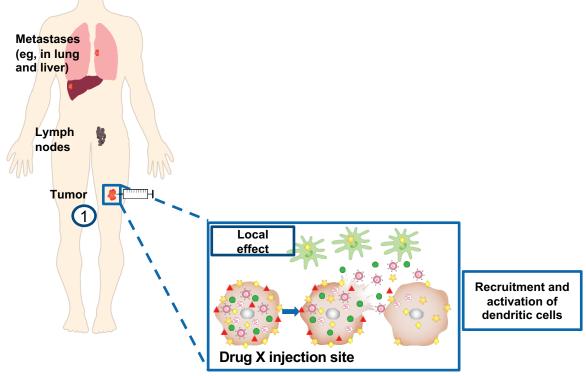


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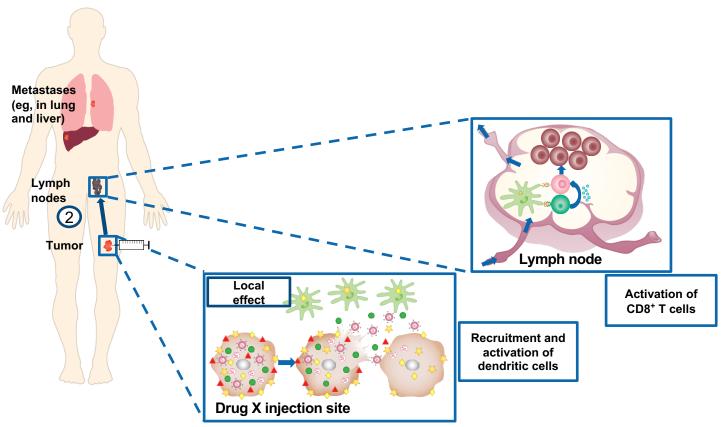
Rationale for Intra-tumoral Injection

- Allows direct administration of agent to cellular targets
- Avoidance of systemic toxicity greater therapeutic window
- Can avoid immune tolerance

Local Immune Activation and Systemic Tumor-Cell Killing by Activated CD8+ T Cells in Patients Injected With "Drug-X"

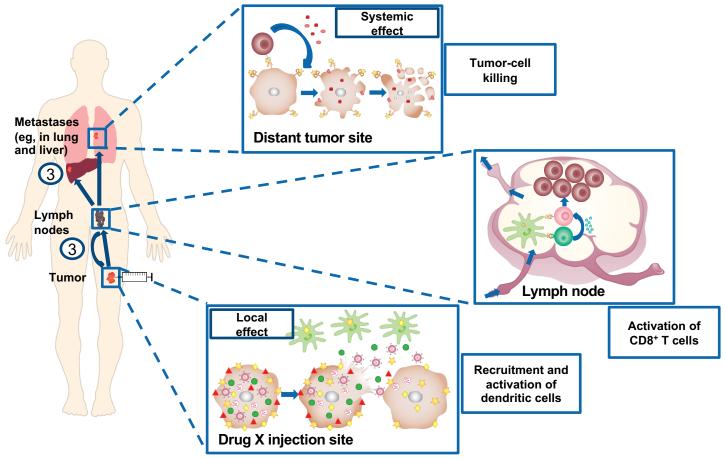


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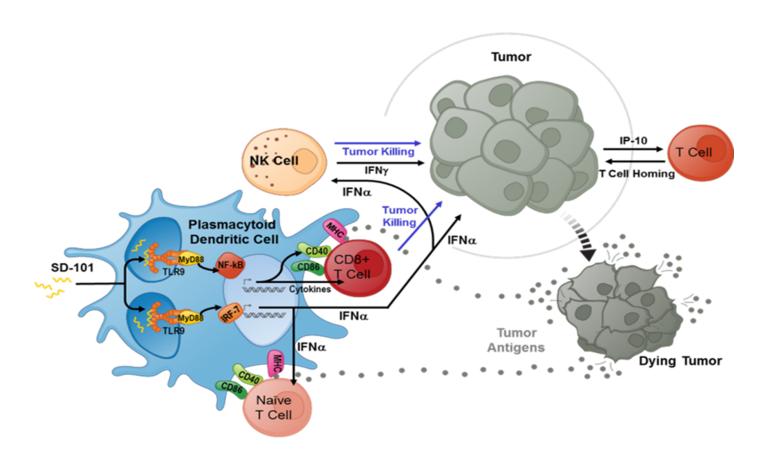
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Challenges for Intra-tumoral Injection

- Access
 - Limits patient population or requires interventional expertise
- Need for relatively frequent and regular injections
- Potential for vascular injury

TLR agonists



Methods

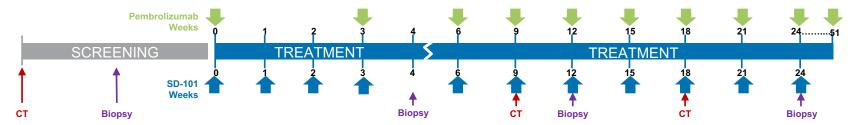
Phase 1b/2 Trial (SYNERGY-001/KEYNOTE-184)

· Patients:

- Advanced/metastatic head and neck squamous cell carcinoma
- Prior anti-PD-1/PD-L1 naïve
- ECOG performance status of 0 or 1
- At least one injectable lesion

Study Treatment:

- Two dose levels were assessed: 8 mg one lesion and 2 mg per lesion up to 4 lesions
- Pembrolizumab was administered IV (200 mg Q3W)
- Primary Endpoint: Objective response rate by RECIST v1.1
- Secondary Endpoints: Safety and tolerability, progression-free survival, duration of response, and immunophenotype of the tumor microenvironment



Efficacy

Objective Response Rate

	<u> </u>			
	8 mg	2 mg		
mITT patients, n*	22	2		
Objective response rate, n (%)	6 (27.3)			
95% confidence interval	(16, 56)			
Best overall response, n (%))			
Complete response	0			
Partial response	6 (27.3)			
Stable disease	4 (18.2)	2 (100)		
Progressive disease	10 (45.5)			
Time to response (months)				
Median (min, max)	2.1 (2.0, 4.2)			
Duration of response (months)				
Median (min, max)	3.6+ (0.0, 6.9)			

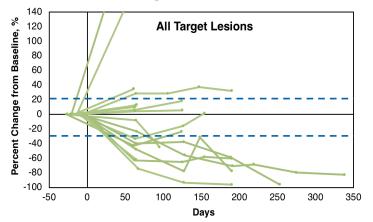
^{*} mITT: excluding patients on treatment but did not yet have their first Ct scan and tumor assessment

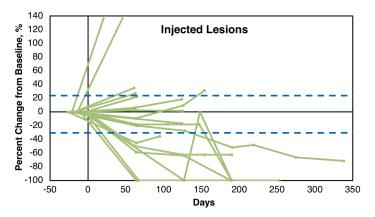
PD-L1 Expression Data and Efficacy, 8 mg

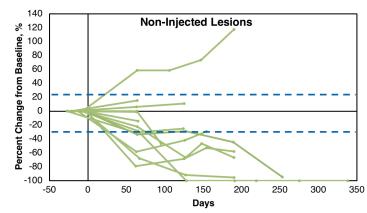
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7	TPS	BOR	Dose (mg)	Subject
PD-L1	0	PD	8	1
negative	0	PD	8	2
┫	<1	PR	8	3
	2	SD	8	5
	5	PD	8	6
	10	PD	8	7
DD 14	10	PD	8	8
PD-L1 positive	15	PD	8	9
Positive	30	PR	8	10
	40	PR	8	11
	60	PD	8	12
	90	PR	8	14
J	95	PD	8	15

TPS: tumor proportion score; additional PD-L1 expression data pending

Percent Change From Baseline for Target Lesions, 8 mg



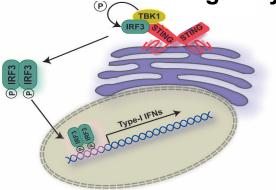




STING

STING Agonists

- Stimulator of Interferon Genes
- Discovered from expression cloning using IFN-β reporter
- ER resident cytosolic PAMP and indirect DAMP (DNA Damage Sensor)
- Potent antiviral activity
- Required for innate immune-sensing of cytosolic DNA



STING is a central mediator in the cytosol for activating innate immunity in response to nucleic acids

Preliminary Results of the First-in-Human Study of MK-1454, an Agonist of Stimulator of Interferon Genes (STING), as Monotherapy and in Combination With Pembrolizumab in Patients With Advanced Solid Tumors or Lymphomas

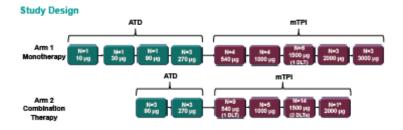


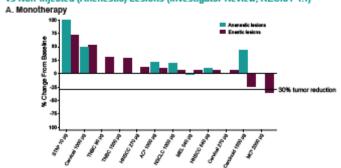
Table 2. Dose-Limiting Toxicities

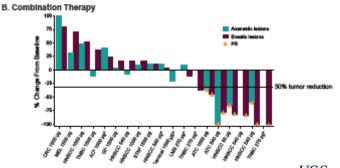
Dose Group	n/N*	DLT
1500 µg Arm 1 monotherapy	1/6	Vomiting Grade 3
540 µg Arm 2 combination therapy	1/9	Erythema multiforme Grade 2 ^b
1500 µg Arm 2 combination therapy		Injection site pain Grade 3, skin/tumor necrosis Grade 3

Table 4. Summary of Best Overall Response With Confirmation Based on Investigator Assessment per RECIST 1.1 (FAS Population)

Response n (%)	Arm 1 Monotherapy Total N=20*	Arm 2 Combination Therapy Total N=25 ^{A,b}		
Complete response	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)		
Partial response	0 (0.0)	6 (24.0)		
Stable disease	4 (20.0)	6 (24.0)		
Disease control	4 (20.0)	12 (48.0)		
Progressive disease	9 (45.0)	9 (36.0)		
Nonevaluable [‡]	1 (5.0)	0 (0.0)		
No assessment ^d	6 (30.0)	4 (16.0)		

Figure 3. Maximum Percentage Change From Baseline in Target Injected (Enestic) vs Non-injected (Anenestic) Lesions (Investigator Review, RECIST 1.1)





Phase Ib study of MIW815 (ADU-S100) in combination with spartalizumab (PDR001) in patients with advanced/metastatic solid tumors or lymphomas (NCT03172936)

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Ph Ib MIW815 (ADU-S100) + spartalizumab in patients with advanced solid tumors or lymphomas

Dose Escalation

Solid tumors and lymphomas Parallel non-randomized assignment

MIW815 (ADU-S100)

(intratumoral injection) Weekly (3-weeks-on/1-week-off) + spartalizumab (400 mg IV) monthly

MIW815 (ADU-S100) (intratumoral injection) Monthly

+ spartalizumab (400 mg IV) monthly

MIW815 (ADU-S100) dose





by allowing backfill of lower dose cohorts









Kev inclusion criteria:

- Ability to undergo tumor biopsies of injected and non-injected lesions
 - Injectable lesions are cutaneous, subcutaneous, or nodal
- Prior immunotherapy is permitted



Data cut-off: April 5, 2019

Primary objective: Safety and tolerability

Secondary objectives: Preliminary anti-tumor activity,

PK, and PD

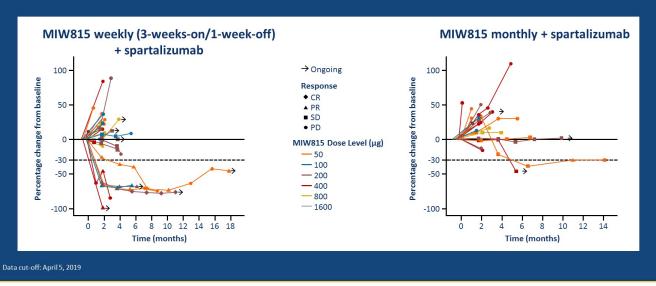
IV, intravenous; MTD, maximum tolerated dose; PD, pharmacodynamics; PK, pharmacokinetics, RDE, recommended dose for expansion; TNBC, triple negative breast cancer.



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Percentage change from baseline Sum of target lesion diameters (evaluable patients)





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Cytokines

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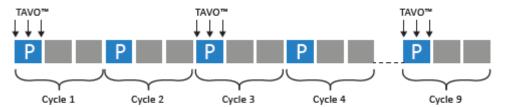
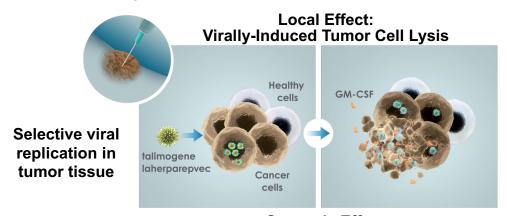


Table 2. Summary of response for the patients who completed 12 weeks of treatment				
Patient number	Prior anti–PD-1 treatments (no. of cycles)	Definitive progression on prior anti-PD-1 treatment	Population who reached initial tumor assessment (~12–15 weeks) post-completion of 2 cycles of TAVO™ (N = 9)	
1	Pembrolizumab IV (7)	YES	PR	
2	Adjuvant pembrolizumab IV (9) Nivolumab IV (4) Nivolumab IV (4)	YES	PR	
3	Pembrolizumab IV (10)	YES	SD	
4	Pembrolizumab IV (4)	YES	iUPD; iSD (SD TL / new NTL)	
5	Nivolumab IV (8) Pembrolizumab IV (4) Nivolumab IV (4) Nivolumab IV (once)	YES	iUPD; WDC (PR TL / new NTL)	
6	Pembrolizumab IV (18)	YES	iUPD; WDC (SD TL / new NTL)	
7	Pembrolizumab IV (4)	YES	PD	
8	Pembrolizumab IV (11) Nivolumab IV (16)	YES	PD	
9	Pembrolizumab IV (7)	YES	PD	

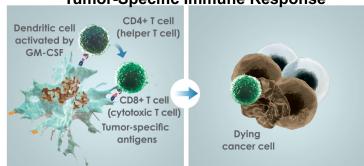
Oncolytic Viruses

T-VEC: An HSV-1—Derived Oncolytic Immunotherapy Designed to Produce Local and Systemic Effects

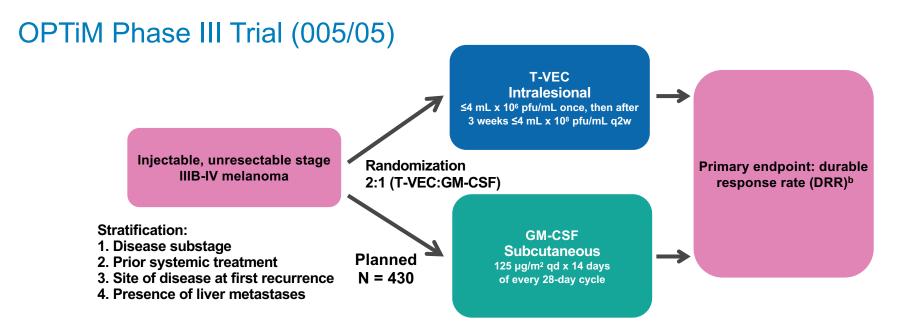


Systemic Effect: Tumor-Specific Immune Response

Systemic tumor-specific immune response



Death of distant cancer cells



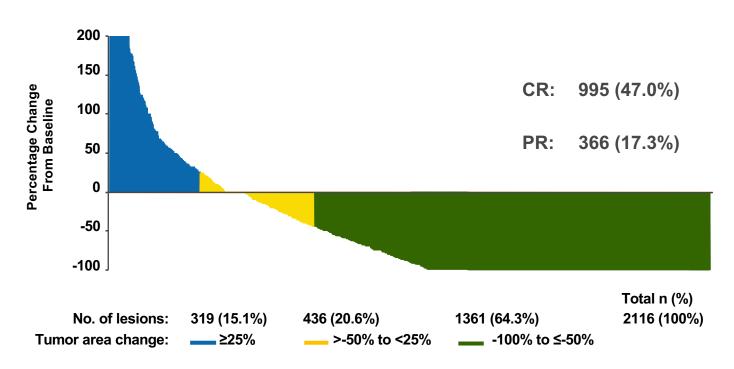
Primary endpoint: DRR: rate of CR or PR that began at any point within 12 months of

initiation of therapy and lasted continuously for 6 months or longera

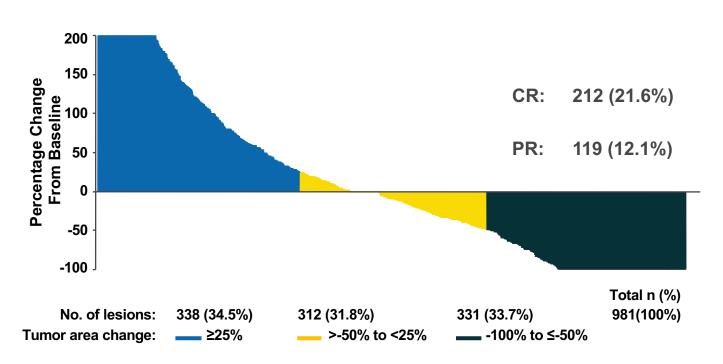
Secondary endpoints: Overall survival (OS), objective overall response rate (ORR; CR + PR), safety

^aDetermined using modified WHO criteria by an independent, blinded endpoint assessment committee. ^bPatients were to remain on treatment for at least 24 weeks despite progression (unless intolerable adverse events [AEs] or investigator decision to start new therapy)

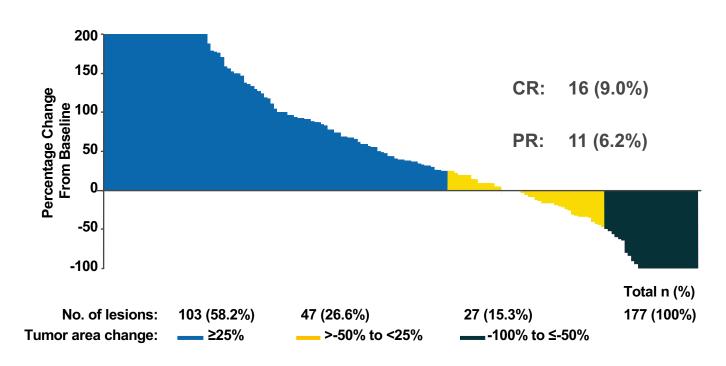
64% of Injected Lesions Responded to T-VEC



34% of Noninjected, Nonvisceral Lesions Responded to T-VEC



15% of Visceral Lesions Responded to T-VEC



Conclusions

- Preclinical and clinical evidence supports induction of immune tumor infiltration and necrosis with multiple intratumoral approaches (oncolytic virus, TLR agonist, etc)
- Mechanism of action and clinical responses in noninjected tumors indicate that there is a systemic antitumor effect
- New treatment paradigms and technologies are needed to further improve efficacies and expand patient populations who benefit

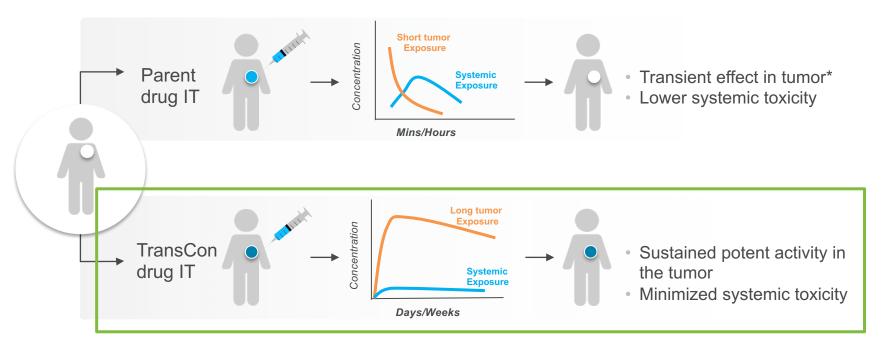






Potential to Transform Efficacy, Safety and Practicality of Intratumoral Treatments

TransCon expected to provide weeks of drug exposure in the tumor, with minimal systemic toxicity



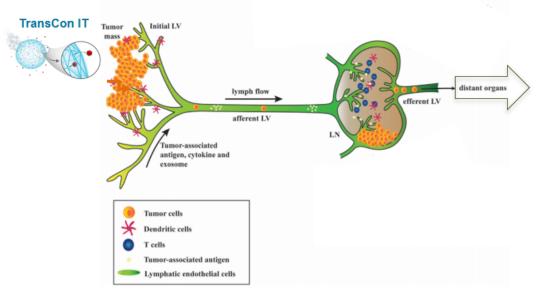
* Example: STING agonist "plasma half-life ranging from 8 to 28 min" (Meric-Bernstam, ASCO, 2019)

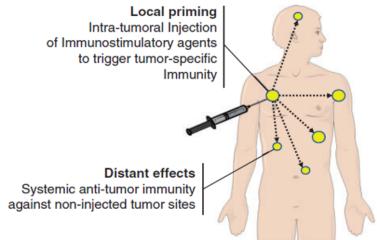


TransCon IT Designed for Systemic Anti-tumor Effects

Designed to Enable Immune Priming in the Draining Lymph Nodes

Cytotoxic T effector Cells Primed in Lymph Nodes Migrate to Distant Organs to Target Metastatic Cells







Opportunity for TransCon TLR 7/8 Agonist

Efficacy

- Sustained exposure is needed to enhance activation in the tumor
- Reduce risk of reaching super-high "ablative" levels

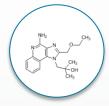
Safety

- Systemic toxicity dose-limiting with current approaches tolerated
- Infrequent dosing expected to improve practicality and reduce injection-related complications

New Indications

- Patients on poorly tolerated combos
- Hard-to-inject tumors that cannot be injected frequently enough with alternative approaches

TransCon TLR 7/8 Agonist



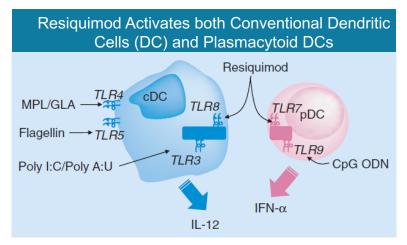
Designed for tumor-localized, sustained release with *minimal* systemic exposure aiming for superior efficacy



TLRs: Innate Immune Sensors of "Danger" Associated with Pathogens or Cell Death

Toll-like receptors:

- Receptors for Pathogen- or Danger- (cell death) Associated Molecular Patterns
- Elevate proinflammatory cytokines: IL-12, IFNs, TNF-a, IL-1, chemokines
- Enhance antigen presentation: upregulated MHCII, costimulatory molecules (e.g. CD80/86)



Adapted from Vasilakos & Tomai, Exp Rev Vaccines, 2013

TLRs activate several key pathways critical in host defense against tumors

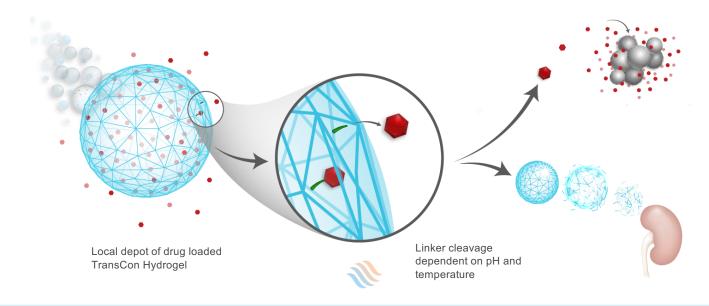


Clinical Validation on Several TLR Agonists and IT Treatments

- Intravesical BCG bacilli (TLR 2 and 4 agonist) approved for superficial bladder cancer
- Topical TLR 7 agonist, imiquimod, approved for basal cell carcinoma
- TLR 7/8 agonist, resiquimod, demonstrated efficacy in cutaneous T cell lymphoma
- Intratumoral T-VEC, talimogene laherparepvec, approved in advanced melanoma
- Several ongoing clinical trials with TLR agonists in combination with checkpoint blockade and/or cytokines



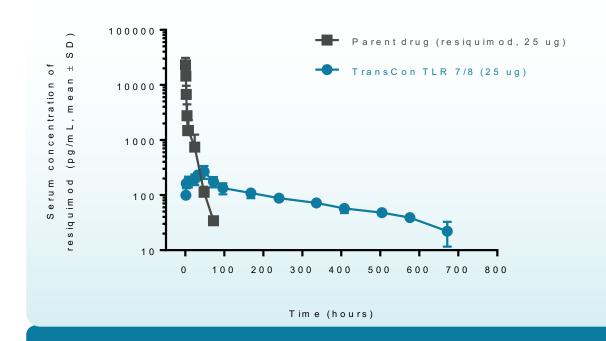
Resiquimod Loaded onto TransCon Hydrogel for Intratumoral Sustained Delivery



- Resiquimod transiently conjugated to TransCon Hydrogel carrier, designed to provide sustained local release of unmodified parent drug
- Designed to provide sustained activation of tumoral myeloid lineages driving tumor antigen release/presentation and induction of immune stimulatory cytokines



Sustained Release of Resiquimod over 4 Weeks in Rats Following *Subcutaneous* Administration



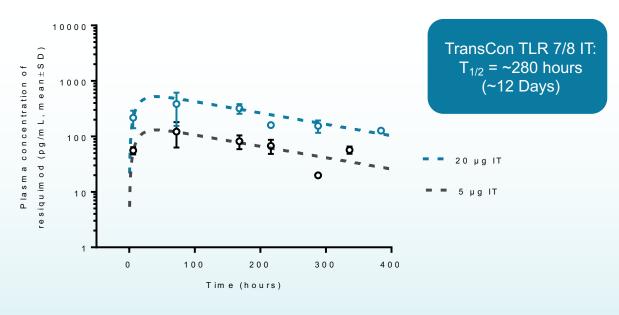
Parent Drug: $T_{1/2} = \sim 10 \text{ h}$ TransCon TLR 7/8: $T_{1/2} = \sim 250 \text{ h}$

 Subcutaneous injection of 25 ug (resiquimod equivalent, ~0.075 mg/kg) in Wistar Rats

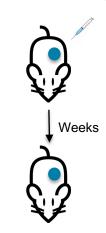
TransCon technology enables 25-fold increased half-life and avoids high Cmax



Sustained Release of Resiquimod for Weeks Following Intratumoral Administration in Mice



IT injection of TransCon TLR 7/8 Agonist

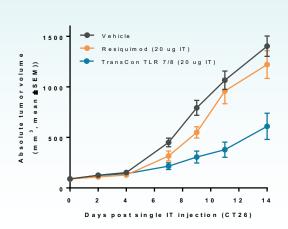


- A single 5 or 20 ug IT dose into CT26 tumors (~0.25 mg/kg or 1 mg/kg)
- The plasma concentration-time profiles were modeled simultaneously with a unified set of parameters

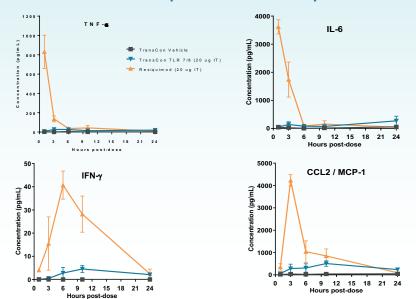


Single Dose of TransCon TLR 7/8 Agonist Provided Potent Tumor-growth Inhibition with Minimal Increase in Cytokines

More Potent Tumor Growth Inhibition by TransCon TLR7/8 than Comparable Dose of Resiguimod



Lower Systemic Cytokine Release by TransCon TLR 7/8 than Comparable Dose of Resiquimod



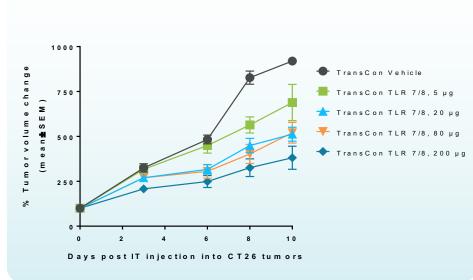
TransCon TLR 7/8 Agonist has the potential to provide more potent anti-tumor benefits without dose-limiting toxicity, as IL-6 and TNF- α associate with cytokine release syndrome and sepsis in patients



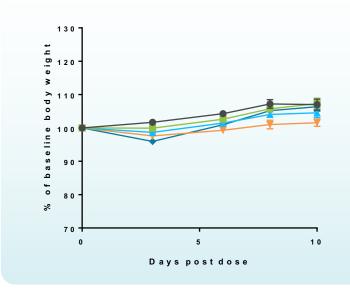
Dose-dependent Tumor Growth Inhibition Following a Single IT Injection of TransCon TLR 7/8 Agonist

Single IT Dosing





Body Weights: All Doses Well Tolerated



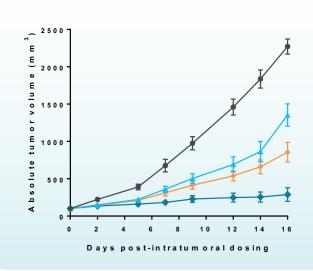
Consistent with MOA, local inflammation and some tumor ulcerations observed



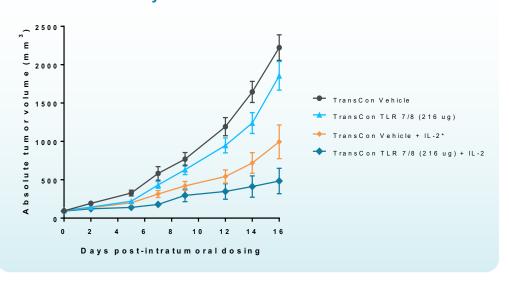
Single-dose of TransCon TLR7/8 Agonist Triggered Abscopal Anti-Tumor Inhibition and Enhanced Anti-tumor Effects of IL-2

Single IT Dosing

Injected Tumor



Non-injected Tumor





TransCon TLR 7/8 Agonist - Summary

- Offers a new treatment paradigm for intratumoral sustained delivery with potential for superior efficacy and safety
 - Single intratumoral dose potentially provides exposure for weeks/months
 - Dramatically altered ratio of anti-tumor vs systemic effects when compared to equimolar dose of parent drug
 - Potent anti-tumor effects, including abscopal effect, observed with a single dose as a monotherapy and in combinations
 - Potential to enable efficacy with dosing interval of months





Opportunity for TransCon VEGF-TKI

Efficacy

 Better tolerated approaches are needed to enable sufficient tumor exposure and new combination approaches

Safety

Lower systemic exposure expected to enable aggressive multiagent therapies

New Indications

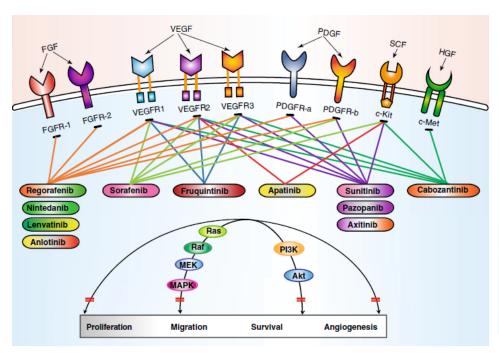
- Patients on poorly tolerated combos
- Enable intratumoral mechanisms not achievable via oral route
- CNS tumors

TransCon VEGF-TKI

Tumor-localized, sustained release aiming for mechanisms and efficacy not achievable by oral alternatives



VEGF-TKI: Validated Drugs Offering More than Just Inhibition of Angiogenesis



Adapted from Qin et al. J Hem Oncology, 2019

- Validated drugs approvals in renal cell carcinoma, thyroid cancer, hepatocellular carcinoma
 - Proven combination benefits with checkpoint blockade
- Potent, direct anti-proliferative effects on tumor cells
 - As a monotherapy at high doses (uM), at lower doses (nM) when combined with chemotherapy
- Immunomodulatory effects: improved influx and activation of immune cells, inhibition of immunosuppressive macrophages in tumors



VEGF-TKI: TransCon Has the Potential to Achieve Tumor Levels and Activity Not Feasible by Oral Route

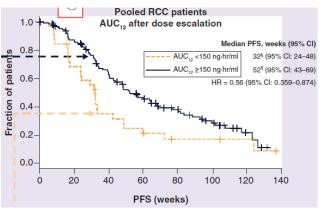
Oral VEGF-TKI not well tolerated, limiting efficacy

- Frequent dose reductions and treatment discontinuations up to ~30%
- Higher dose and exposure correlates with better outcome

Some indications poorly addressed with current drugs

 E.g. glioblastoma: bevacizumab is approved, while brain permeability of all VEGF inhibitors is limited

Higher Exposure of Axitinib Correlates with Better Outcome in Renal Cell Carcinoma



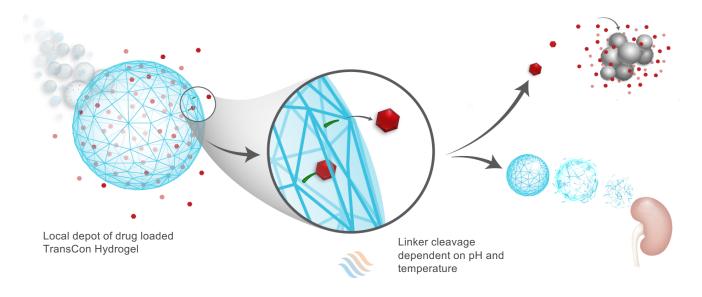
Schmidinger et al., Future Oncol. 14, 861, 2018

Expected to enable IT mechanisms not achievable via oral route: direct anti-tumor effects and modulation of tumor microenvironments

 For example, rationale to combine VEGF-TKI with PD(L)1+chemo exists, while only TransCon may enable the combination with high enough IT concentrations and acceptable toxicity



VEGF-TKI Loaded onto TransCon Hydrogel for Intratumoral Sustained Delivery

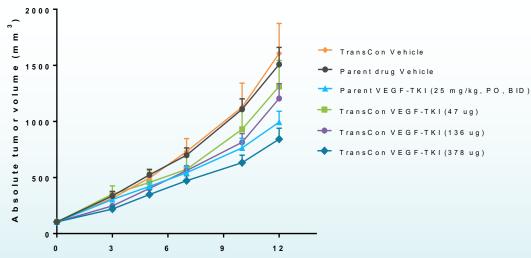


- VEGF-TKI transiently conjugated to TransCon Hydrogel carrier, designed to provide sustained release of unmodified parent drug
- Designed to provide sustained modulation of the tumor microenvironment with potential for direct anti-tumor effects



Dose-dependent Tumor Growth Inhibition by a Single Dose of TransCon VEGF-TKI

Single IT Dosing



Days post IT dosing (MC38)

- TransCon VEGF-TKI
 estimated to allow for tumor
 concentrations >100-fold
 higher than in serum
- Limited systemic exposure expected to reduce drug-related adverse events

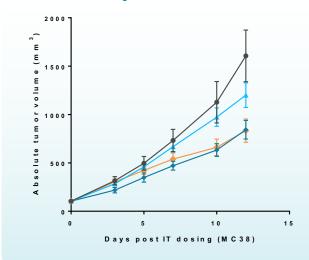
Single-dose TransCon VEGF-TKI provided at least comparable tumor growth inhibition when compared to twice daily oral dose



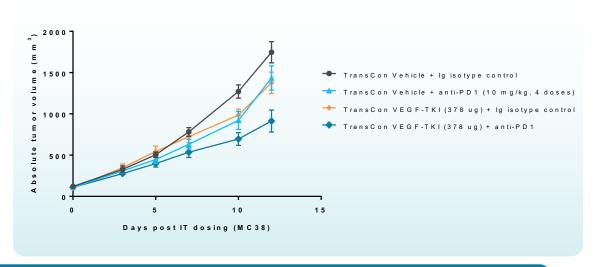
Single Dose of TransCon VEGF-TKI Allowed for Combination Benefits with anti-PD-1 Ab in Abscopal Tumor

Single IT Dosing

Injected Tumor



Non-injected Tumor



Potent Anti-Tumor Effects in Injected and Non-injected Tumors, Including Combination Benefit with Checkpoint Blockade

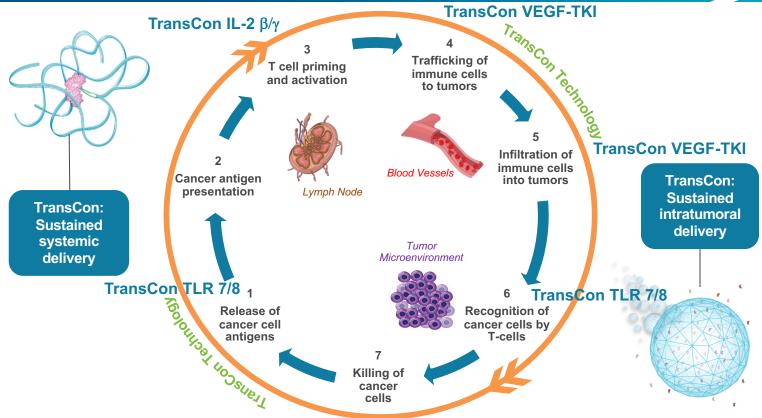


TransCon VEGF-TKI – Summary

- New approach to modulation of tumor microenvironments, with the potential for direct anti-tumor effects
 - TransCon Hydrogels generated for sustained release of VEGF-TKI
 - Potent anti-tumor effects in mice observed, including combination benefits with checkpoint blockade
 - Slow intratumoral release expected to enable mechanisms not achievable by oral administration
 - Potential to enable combinations with aggressive therapeutic regimens in multiple indications, including CNS tumors



TransCon Immunity Cycle: Seeking a Broad Impact



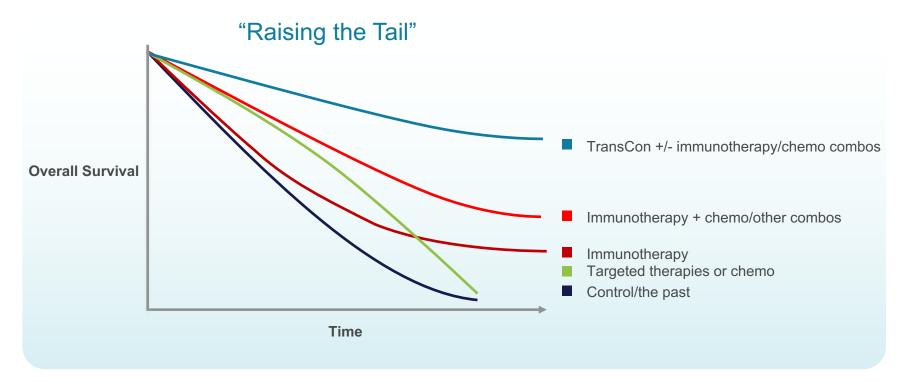


Oncology Summary

- Best-in-class potential using systemic and intratumoral TransCon technologies
- Three differentiated product candidates with potential in multiple indications
 - TransCon IL-2 β/γ
 - TransCon TLR 7/8 Agonist
 - TransCon VEGF-TKI
- Potent anti-tumor effects of TransCon oncology candidates demonstrated in preclinical studies, reflecting expected exposure profile
 - Combination benefits with cytokines and checkpoint blockade in mice
 - Desired pharmacodynamic effects in cynomolgus monkeys
- First oncology IND (or equivalent) to be filed in 2020
- Significant patent portfolio of >20 patents and applications in support of TransCon oncology candidates

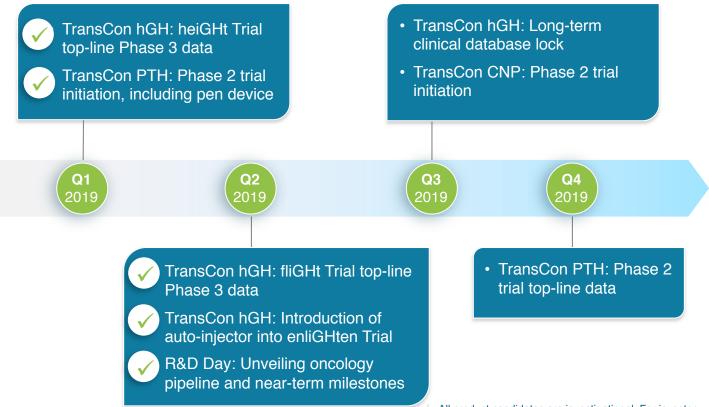


TransCon: Designed for the Next Revolution in Oncology





2019 Progress: Expected Milestones



Vision 3x3: Building a Leading BioPharma Company

Our Goal is to Achieve Sustainable Growth through Multiple Approaches

- Obtain regulatory approval for 3 Endocrinology Rare Disease products
 - TransCon hGH for pediatric growth hormone deficiency
 - TransCon PTH for adult hypoparathyroidism
 - TransCon CNP for achondroplasia
- Growth of Endocrinology Rare Disease pipeline through:
 - Label expansion programs with the goal of obtaining 9 indications in total
 - Global clinical reach directly or through partnerships
- Build an integrated commercial business for our Endocrinology Rare Disease franchise in North America and select European countries
 - Establish global commercial presence with partners outside our geographic areas
- Create 3 independent therapeutic areas each with a diversified pipeline built on TransCon technologies and our unique algorithm for product innovation
 - Established oncology as next independent therapeutic area

