



# Ovid Therapeutics

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Corporate presentation

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# Overview

## + Strong balance sheet

\$87.1M in cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities<sup>1</sup>

\$30.0M in non-dilutive capital from Ligand Pharmaceuticals<sup>2</sup>

70.6M shares of common stock outstanding<sup>3</sup>

Current cash runway expected into 2026

Potential for a non-dilutive capital stream from Takeda

## + Veteran team

with a track record of developing and commercializing blockbuster medicines

<sup>1</sup> As of 9/30/23

<sup>2</sup> Received for 13% interest of potential milestones and royalties Ovid is eligible to receive from Takeda if soticlestat is approved and commercialized

<sup>3</sup> As of 9/30/23, on an as if converted basis

## Differentiated epilepsy & seizure-related therapeutic franchise

- 3 small molecule programs (4<sup>th</sup> program sold to Takeda and we retain significant financial interest)
- Potential 1<sup>st</sup>-in-class or potential best-in-class medicines
- Novel, complementary mechanisms of action for the potential treatment of epilepsy & seizures
- Significant unmet need

















## 5 potential upcoming pipeline events in next 12-15 months

- Complete multiple ascending dose study to evaluate a pivotal formulation for OV888 - H1 2024
- Initiate proof-of-concept trial for OV888 in cavernous malformation – H2 2024
- Surrogate biomarkers, safety and PK results for OV329 oral formulation – H2 2024
- IND for an intravenous formulation of OV329 – H2 2024
- Anticipated submission of 1<sup>st</sup> IND from KCC2 portfolio (OV350) – H2 2024

## Anticipated from Takeda (Ovid's rights to soticlestat were out-licensed to Takeda)

- Data from a Phase 3 pivotal study of soticlestat in Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (SKYWAY); conducted by Takeda
- Data from a Phase 3 pivotal study of soticlestat in Dravet syndrome (SKYLINEY); conducted by Takeda
- Series of potential regional regulatory filings for soticlestat; conducted by Takeda

# Expected to be first-in-class or best-in-class mechanisms of action

PROGRAMS	INDICATION/TARGET	PRECLINICAL	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	ANTICIPATED MILESTONES
<div> SOTICLESTAT</div> <div>Cholesterol 24-hydroxylase inhibitor Out-licensed to </div>	Dravet syndrome					<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Phase 3 data from 2 registrational trials</li></ul>
	Lennox-Gastaut syndrome					<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Filing marketing authorization submissions in Takeda's FY 2024</li></ul>
<div> ROCK2 PLATFORM &amp; OV888*</div> <div>Selective ROCK2 inhibitor Collaboration with </div>	Brainstem cavernous malformations Undisclosed rare CNS indications					<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>MAD completion H1 2024</li><li>POC study initiation H2 2024</li></ul>
<div> OV329</div> <div>GABA-aminotransferase inhibitor In-licensed from: </div>	Oral formulation for chronic epilepsies (conditions with focal seizures, tuberous sclerosis, infantile spasms)					<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Phase 1 target engagement, PD marker &amp; safety H2 2024</li></ul>
<div> OV329</div> <div>GABA-aminotransferase inhibitor In-licensed from </div>	IV formulation for acute and chronic seizures					<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>IND in H2 2024</li></ul>
<div> KCC2 PLATFORM &amp; OV350</div> <div>KCC2 transporter activators In-licensed from: </div>	Resistant epilepsies and other neuropathologies					<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>IND for OV350 in H2 2024</li></ul>
UNDISCLOSED ROCK2 INHIBITOR PROGRAMS						

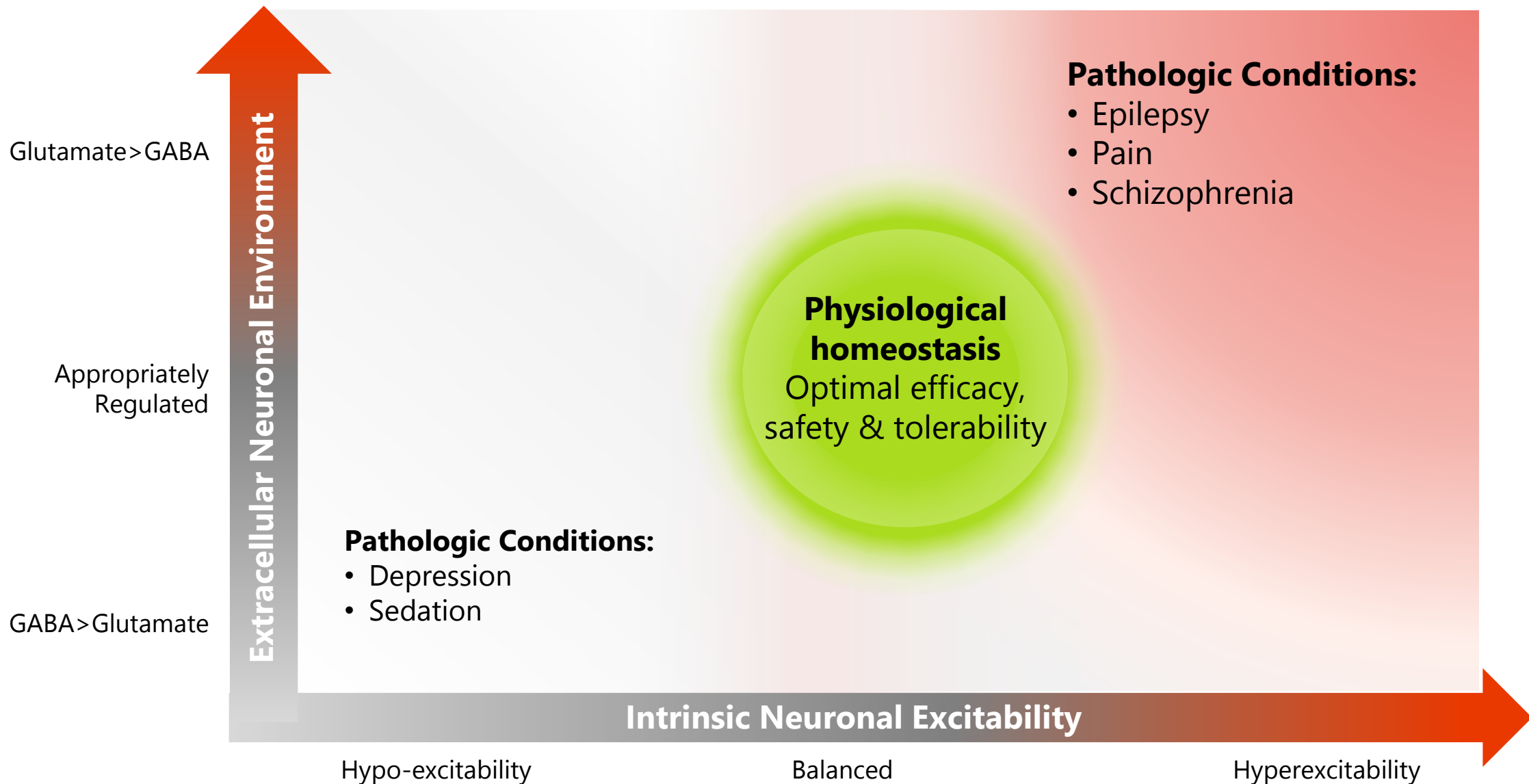
\*Graviton is conducting development of OV888 (formerly GV101) through Phase 2, which will be directed by a Joint Development Committee that includes members of both Graviton and Ovid.



## **Scientific & pipeline strategy**

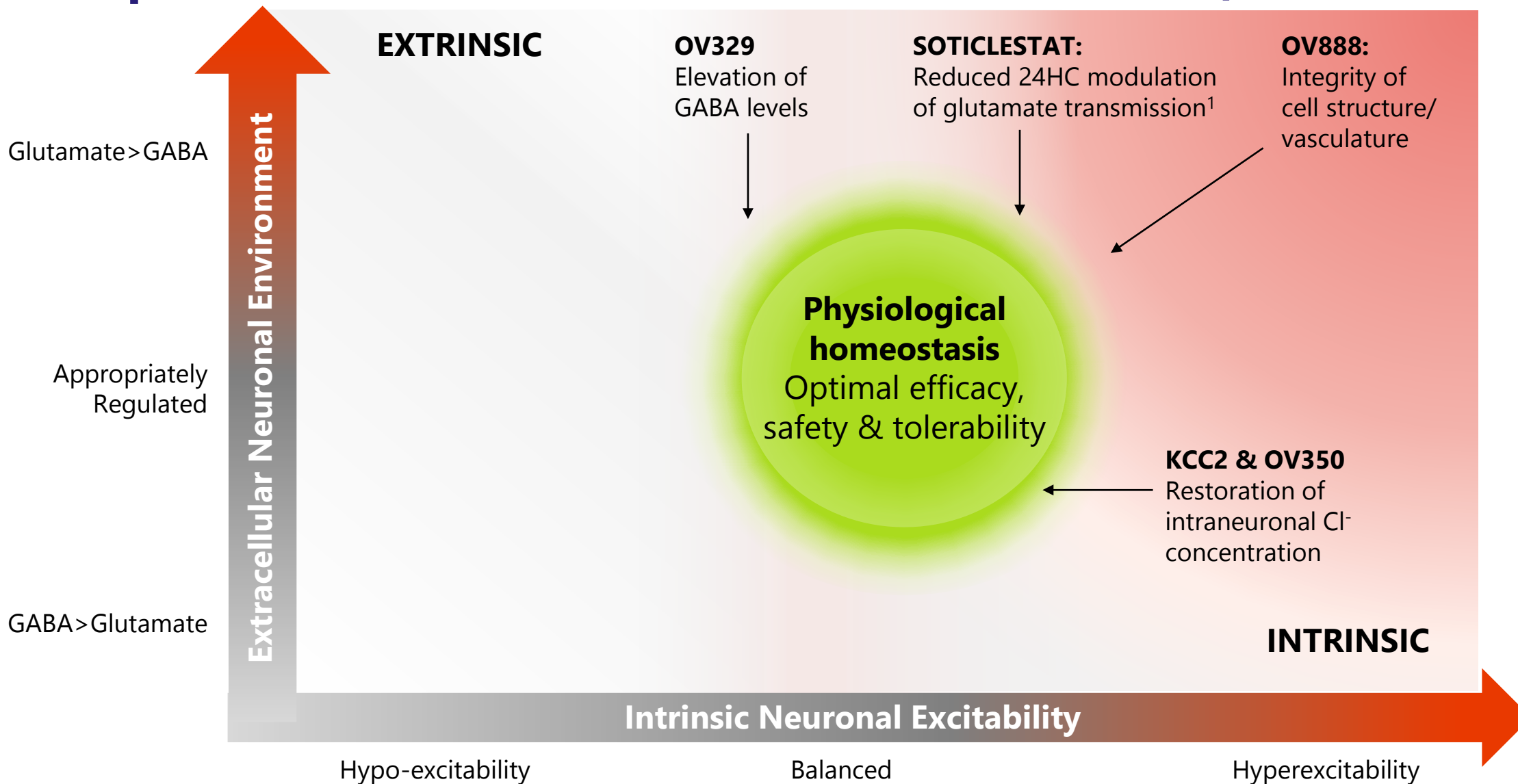
- ✓ Exclusively targeted small molecules
- ✓ Expected to be first-in-class or best-in-class mechanisms of action
- ✓ Under-addressed biological targets expressed in CNS
- ✓ Mechanisms to modulate metabolic, enzymatic, intracellular & structural causes of hyperexcitability
- ✓ Potential application in multiple indications for which hyperexcitability is the cause for the pathology

# The goal of many CNS medicines: Neuronal homeostasis (balance)





# Ovid strategy: Unique mechanisms to achieve neuronal balance (homeostasis)



# Ovid mechanisms of action

Seeking to mitigate extrinsic & intrinsic causes of neuronal hyperexcitability

## Metabolic & enzymatic:

Modulate extracellular neurotransmitter balance



### Cholesterol 24 hydroxylase inhibition

(soticlestat): Reduces glutamatergic signaling and glial cell inflammation

**GABA-AT inhibition** (OV329): Chronic and persistent elevation of GABA leads to profound tonic inhibitory activities in neurons

## Structural & cellular integrity:

Restore endothelial cell junction integrity (ROCK2 inhibition)



**ROCK2 inhibition** (OV888, previously GV101): Improving endothelial integrity to reduce leakage & bleeds

## Cellular intrinsic properties:

Restore chloride homeostasis in neurons



**KCC2 direct activation** (OV350): Restoring proper chloride homeostasis by activating the K<sup>+</sup>/Cl<sup>-</sup> co-transporter leads to rebalance of excitatory/inhibitory response of neurons





# Soticlestat

A first-in-class cholesterol 24 hydroxylase inhibitor for the potential treatment of Lennox-Gastaut syndrome & Dravet syndrome

# Overview

## UPDATE

### Phase 3 global studies (ongoing)

- SKYLINE trial - Dravet syndrome
- SKYWAY trial - Lennox-Gastaut syndrome

### Anticipated global regulatory filings in Takeda's FY2024

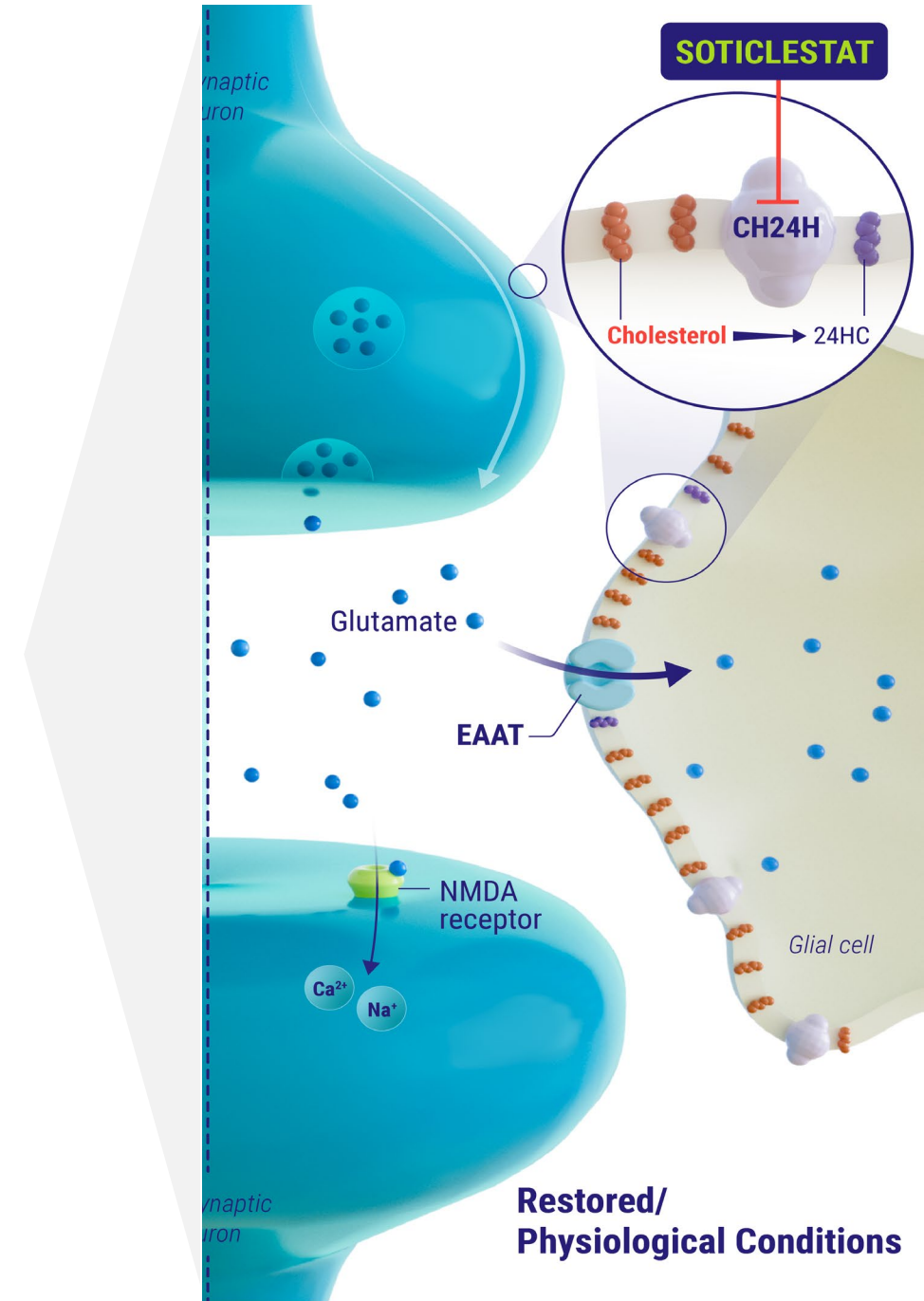
Trial completion estimates and site updates available on [www.ClinicalTrials.gov](https://www.ClinicalTrials.gov)

- First-in-class, selective inhibitor of cholesterol 24-hydroxylase
- Believed to decrease glutamatergic signaling with the potential to reduce seizure susceptibility and improve seizure control
- Studied in one of the most robust development programs for developmental and epileptic encephalopathies (DEE)
- To-date, has demonstrated sustained seizure reduction efficacy, safety & tolerability with no anticipated monitoring in clinical trials
- **Planned indications:**
  - Lennox-Gastaut syndrome
  - Dravet syndrome

# Soticlestat: Novel mechanism of action

- Preclinical findings showed:<sup>1,2,3,4</sup>
  - Soticlestat selectively binds to CH24H
  - Dose-dependently reduced brain 24HC levels in mice
- 24HC reduction is multi-modal & ameliorates:
  - Over-activated glutamatergic signaling
  - Inflammation
- Clinical studies in both healthy volunteers and DEE patients confirmed a dose-dependent reduction of circulating levels of 24HC in humans<sup>5</sup>
- Thus, reducing seizure susceptibility and improving seizure control

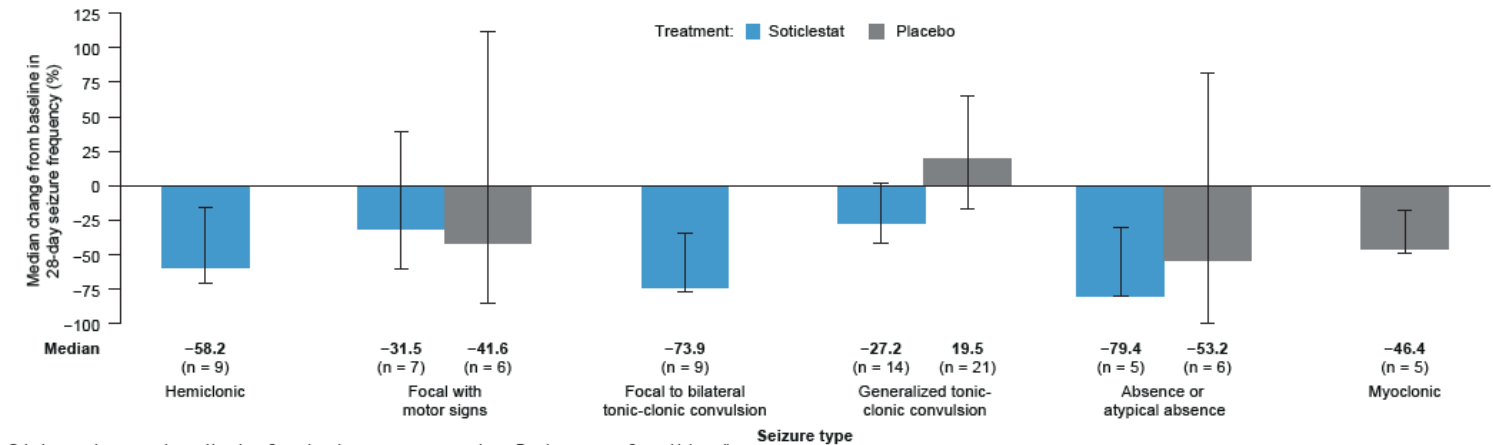
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# Phase 2 (ELEKTRA): Post hoc analysis indicates soticlestat potential in reducing frequency of multiple seizure types<sup>1</sup>

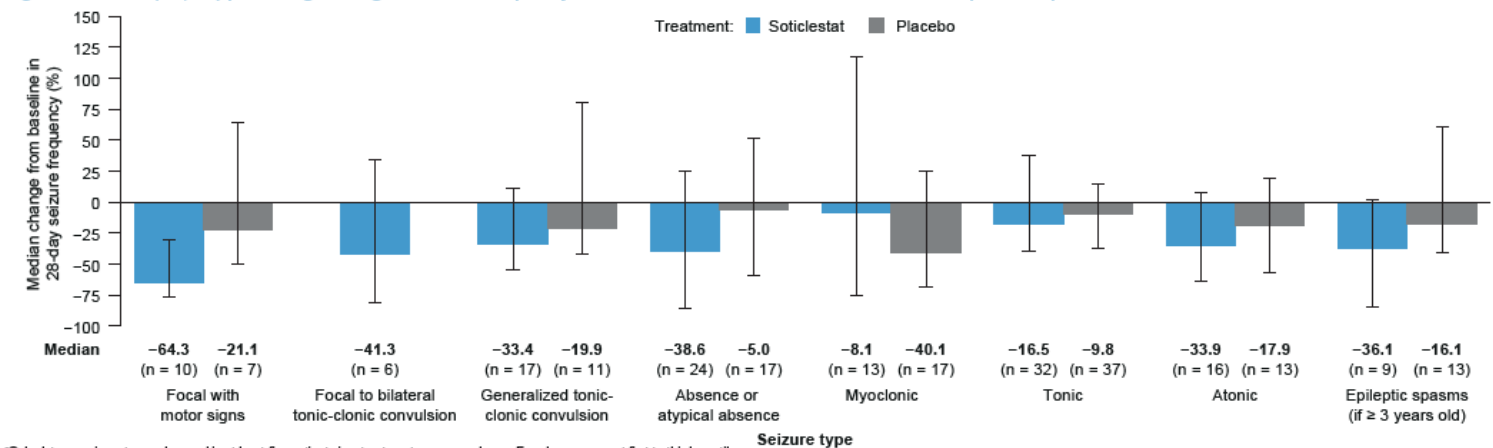
- Post hoc analysis conducted of DS & LGS patients in Phase 2, ELEKTRA study
- Soticlestat was numerically superior to placebo in all but two seizure types over the full 20-week treatment period
- Dravet patients experienced reduction in seizure frequency across:
  - Hemiclonic seizures
  - Focal to bilateral tonic-clonic seizures
  - Generalized tonic clonic seizures
  - Absence or atypical absence seizures
- LGS patients experienced a reduction in seizure frequency across:
  - Focal seizures with motor signs
  - Focal to bilateral tonic clonic seizures
  - Generalized tonic clonic seizures
  - Absence seizures
  - Atonic seizures
  - Epileptic spasms

Figure 1. Median (Q1, Q3) percentage change in seizure frequency from baseline over the full 20-week treatment period in patients with DS.\*



\*Only data on seizure types observed in at least five patients in a treatment group are shown. Error bars represent first to third quartiles. DS, Dravet syndrome; Q1, first quartile; Q3, third quartile.

Figure 2. Median (Q1, Q3) percentage change in seizure frequency from baseline over the full 20-week treatment period in patients with LGS.\*

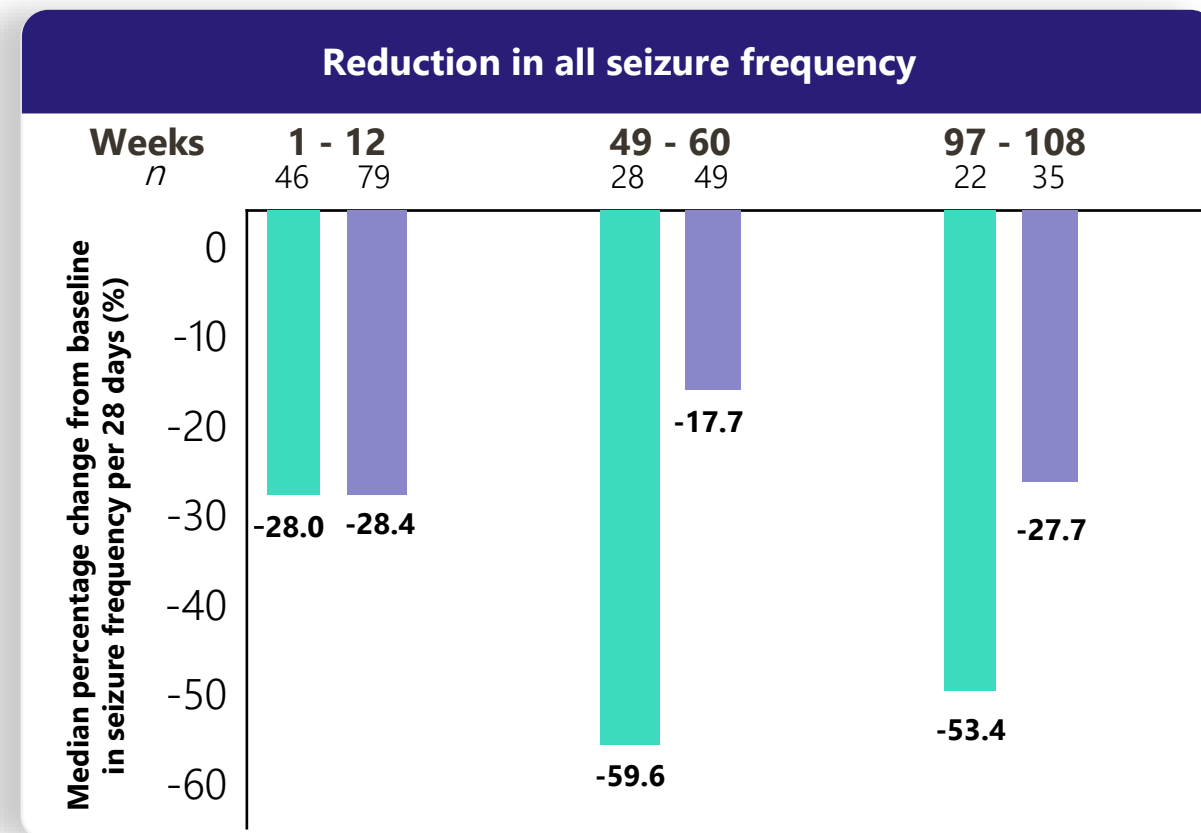
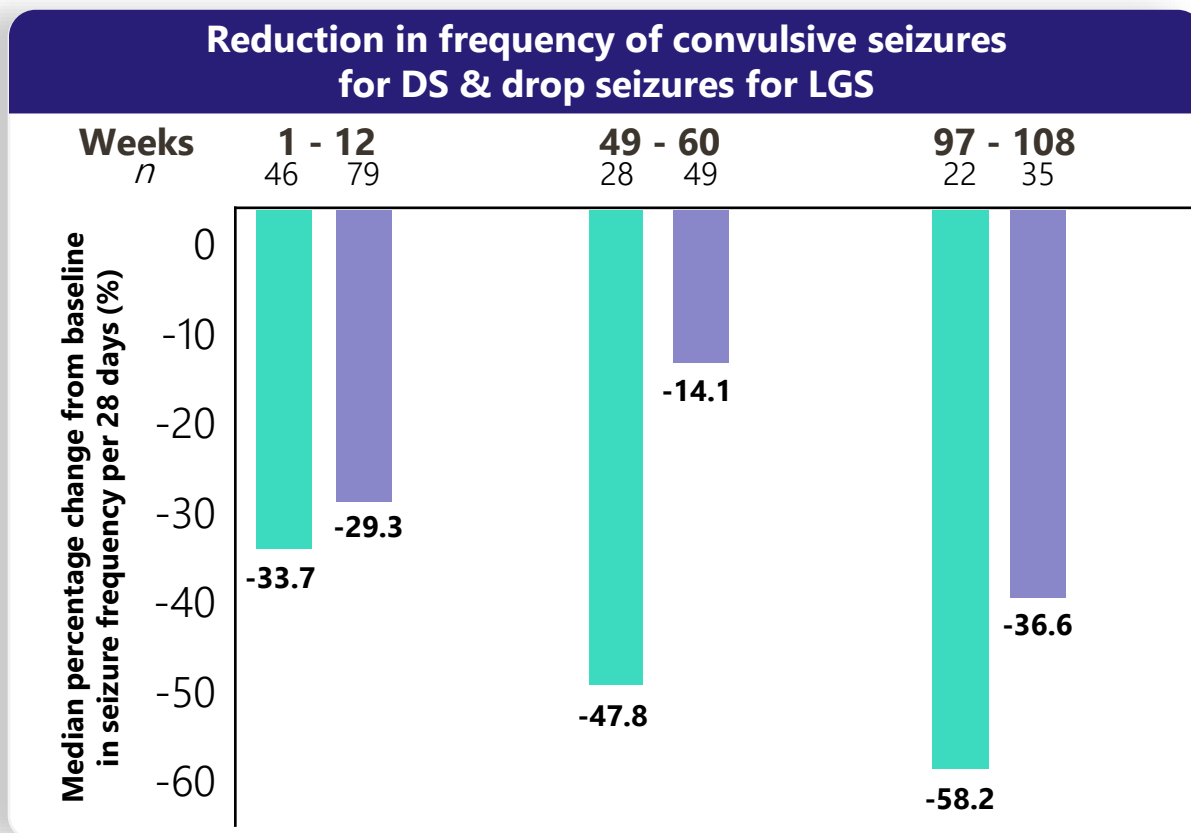


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1. Efficacy of Soticlestat Treatment by Seizure Type in Patients with Dravet Syndrome or Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome in a Phase 2, Randomized, Placebo-controlled Study (ELEKTRA), Presented at AAN 2023: <https://www.aan.com/MSA/Public/Events/AbstractDetails/53067>

# OLE (ENDYMION1): Sustained seizure reduction shown in DS & LGS patients up to 2 years<sup>1</sup>

■ Dravet syndrome ■ Lennox Gastaut syndrome



## Soticlestat demonstrated up to 2 years of treatment and:

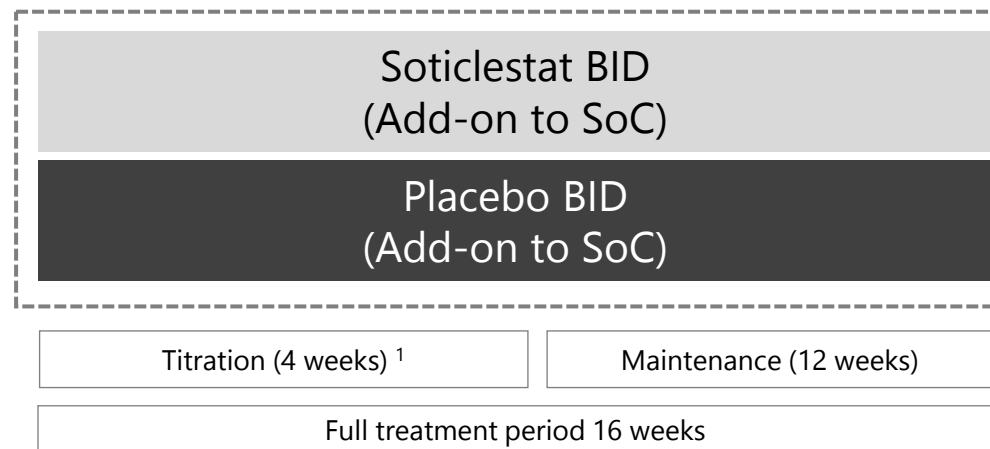
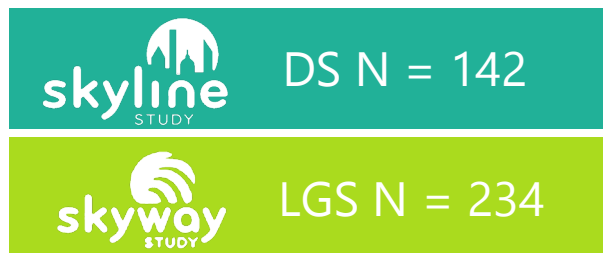
- Contributed to a sustained reduction in convulsive seizures in DS patients and drop seizures in LGS patients, which are similar endpoints being used in two pivotal Phase 3 trials ongoing in the same epilepsies
- Was associated with a reduced seizure frequency up to 2 years of treatment

1.: Long-Term Treatment Effects of Soticlestat in Patients with Dravet Syndrome or Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome: Interim Data from the ENDYMION 1 Trial as presented at AAN: <https://www.aan.com/MSA/Public/Events/AbstractDetails/52787>

# Phase 3 pivotal trials

(Conducted by Takeda)

Soticlestat



**Entry into OLE**

## TRIAL DESIGN

- Trial design based on feedback from FDA, EMA & PMDA
- Ages  $\geq 2$  years
- Adjunctive to ASMs
- Active seizures at baseline<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>100 mg BID, 200 mg BID, 300 mg BID (mg/kg dosing)

<sup>2</sup>Clinical Trials.gov Accessed October 26, 2021.

## OUTCOME MEASURES

### Primary

- Frequency change in convulsive seizures (DS study) during full treatment period
  - DS:  $\geq 4$  convulsive seizures at baseline
- LGS study uses **Major Motor Drop seizure endpoint** (frequency change in major motor drop seizures) during full treatment period
  - LGS:  $\geq 8$  Major Motor Drop (MMD) seizures at baseline.
  - For LGS, countable drop seizures reliably recognized by the caregivers and consistently implemented by the investigators

**Takeda anticipates global regulatory filing during its FY 2024 (April 1, 2024 – March 31, 2025)**



# The soticlestat opportunity

- Market research supports potential use as an early line option for patients not well-controlled on other antiseizure medications:
- Anticipated profile:<sup>1</sup>
  - ✓ Efficacy on top of standard of care therapies
  - ✓ Fewer side effects
  - ✓ No clinically relevant drug-to-drug interactions
  - ✓ No expected monitoring requirements
  - ✓ Promising safety profile

## LARGE GLOBAL MARKET OPPORTUNITY<sup>2</sup>

~**110-135K**

Lennox-Gastaut syndrome  
(7 major markets)

~**30-45K**

Dravet syndrome  
(7 major markets)

**If soticlestat is approved and commercialized, subsequent milestones and royalties may create a significant stream of non-dilutive capital to fund Ovid's pipeline**

1) Hahn et al. A phase 2, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of soticlestat as adjunctive therapy in pediatric patients with Dravet syndrome or Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (ELEKTRA). Epilepsia. 2022; 00: 1–13. <https://doi.org/10.1111/epi.17367>

2) Ovid Global Market Research 2022



## OV888

A highly selective ROCK2 inhibitor for potential treatment of cerebral cavernous malformations (CCM) & other CNS disorders

# ROCK2 inhibition: OV888 (lead program, formerly GV101)

## UPDATE

### Initiated multiple ascending dose study

- Studying pivotal gel capsule formulation
- No SAEs observed

### Intend to initiate signal-finding trial in H2 2024

- Strong mechanistic rationale for ROCK2 signaling pathway in multiple CNS indications
- Blood-brain barrier penetrant in preclinical studies
- Well characterized safety profile in humans
- Most highly selective inhibitor for ROCK2 (not ROCK1) that is known<sup>1,2</sup>
- **Potential to be 1<sup>st</sup> disease modifying treatment for cerebral cavernous malformations (CCM)**

1) Based upon animal models  
2) [Ann Clin Transl Neurol](#), 2014 Jan; 1(1): 2–14. Published online 2013 Nov 19.

# Cerebral cavernous malformations

## Presentation & prevalence

- Mulberry-shaped abnormal blood vessels with thin, leaky walls located in the brain and or spinal cord, which increase over age
- CCM's among the most common intracranial vascular malformation in humans<sup>1,2</sup>

## CCMs located in the brainstem pose unique challenges

- Brainstem CCMs are a key risk factor for brain bleeds, can cause significant morbidity due to repeated hemorrhaging<sup>3</sup>
- 82% of patients with brainstem lesions involve major fiber tracts, making surgery extremely difficult<sup>3</sup>
- Guidelines indicate that surgical resection of brainstem CCM could be considered only after a second symptomatic bleed given risks associated with the surgery<sup>4</sup>
  - Post operative mortality and morbidity are high among patients who undergo surgery to remove brainstem lesions<sup>4</sup>
  - 53% of the cases experience post operative neurologic deficits<sup>2</sup>

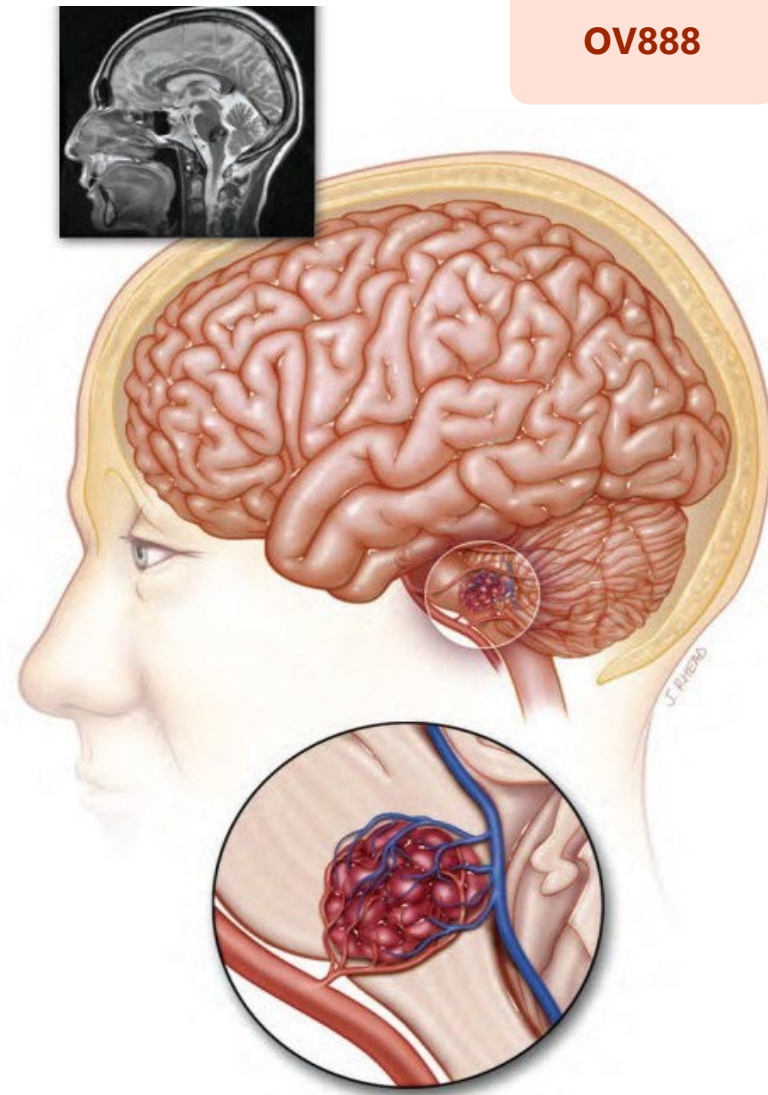
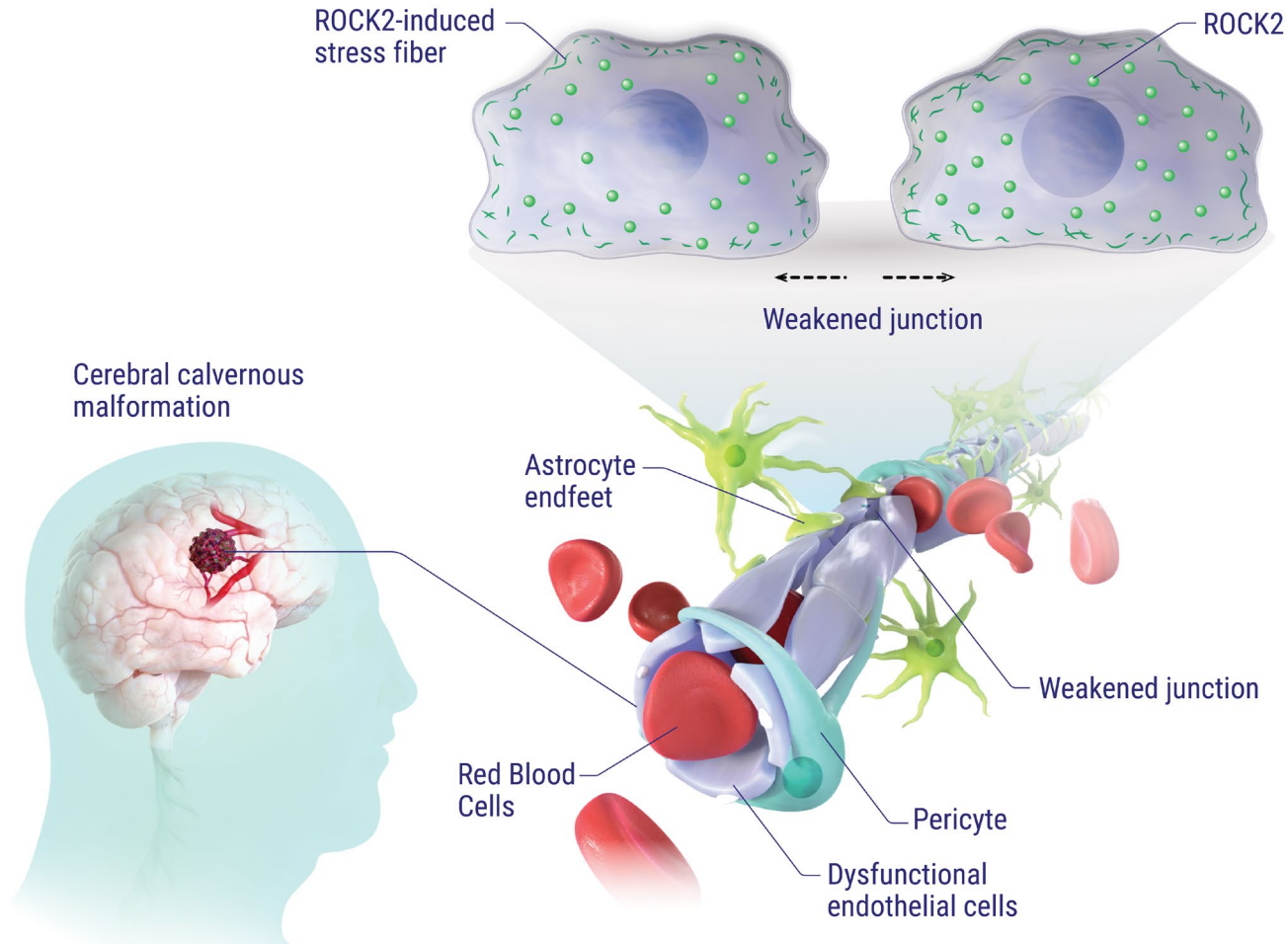


Image attribution: Brainstem angioma from Alliance to Cure Cavernous Malformation

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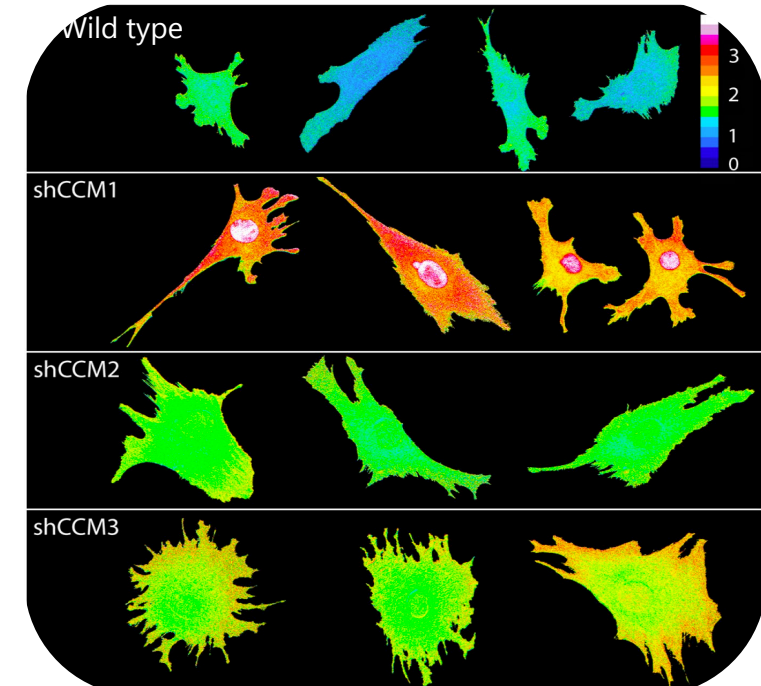


# Illustrative cerebral cavernous malformation (CCM) brain



Endothelial cytoskeleton abnormalities & weakened cell junctions can lead to lesions and bleeds

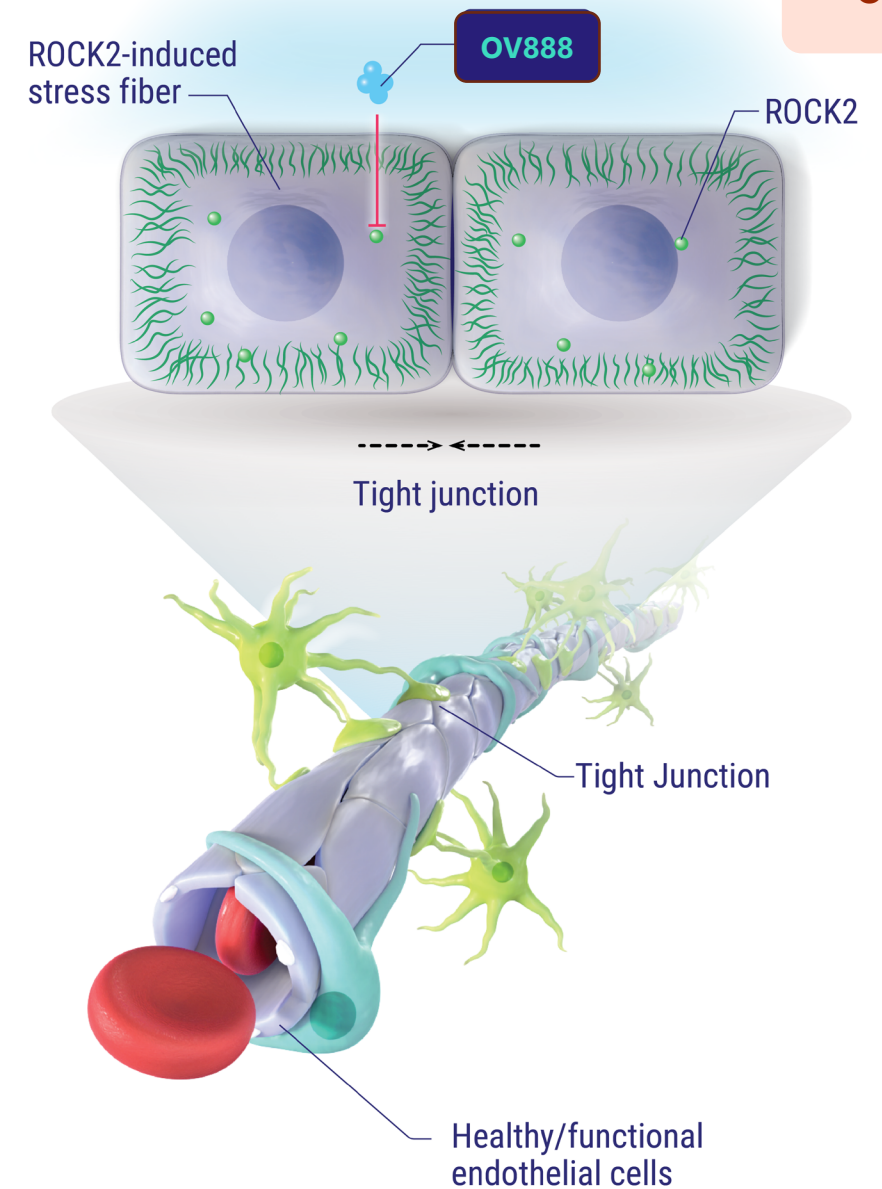
## EXAMPLE AT CELLULAR LEVEL



Relative to wild type (healthy) cells CCM exhibits cellular mis-formation due to stress fibers<sup>1</sup>

## Believed mechanism of action for OV888

- Inhibits ROCK2
- Returns extracellular matrix and tube formation to more normalized state
- **Thereby, anticipated to help stabilize and shrink cavernoma lesions**



**Healthy/Restored Brain**



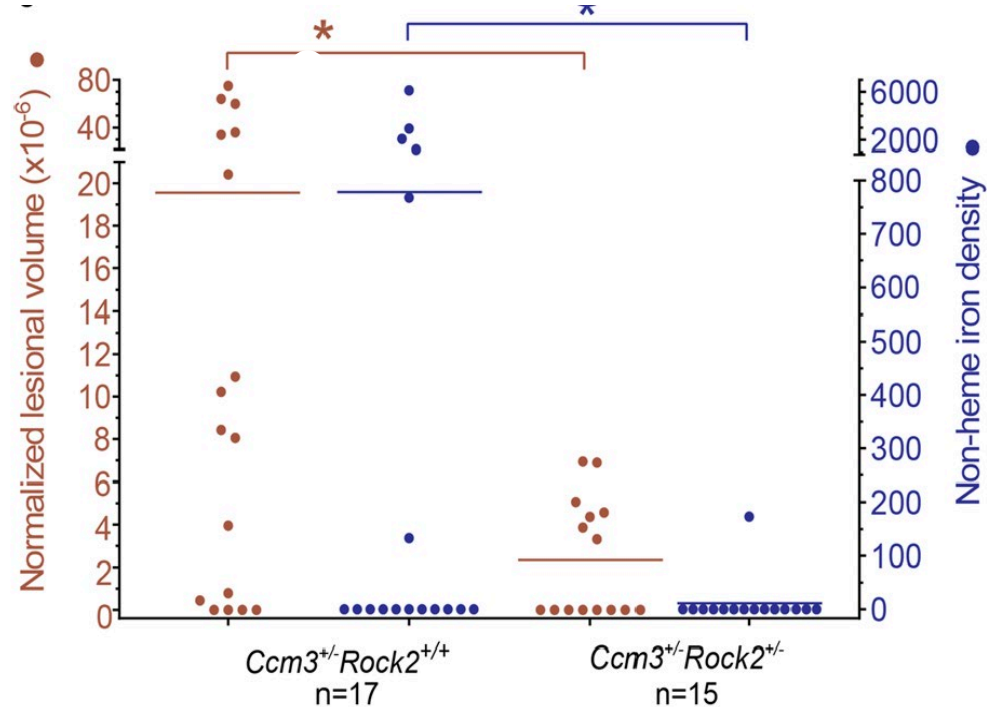
# Validation of ROCK2 vs. ROCK1 as targets for CCM

*ROCK2*<sup>+/-</sup>, not *ROCK1*<sup>+/-</sup> mice have lower cavernous angiomas<sup>1</sup>

Transgenic mouse model of CCM3

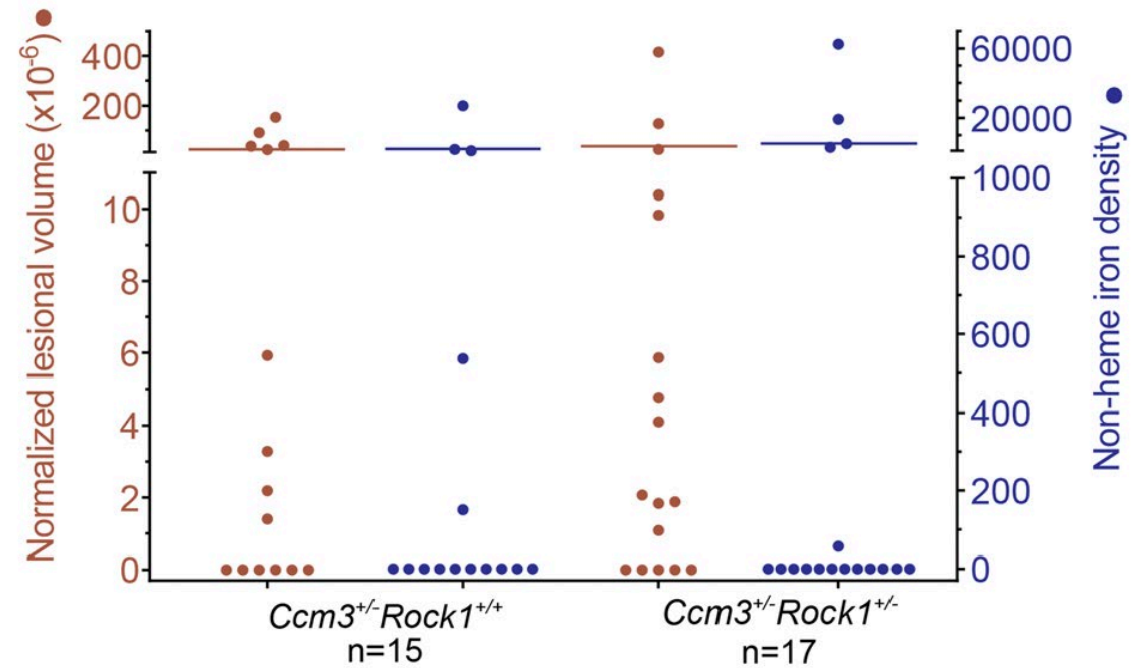
## ROCK2:

Rescue effect & reduced a marker of hemorrhage



## ROCK1:

No rescue effect



# OV888's potential as a potent, selective, best-in-class ROCK2 inhibitor

OV888

	ROCK2 IC <sub>50</sub> (uM)	ROCK1 IC <sub>50</sub> (uM)	Selectivity (ROCK1/ROCK2)	BBB Penetrant	Off-Target Effects	Indication
<b>OV888 OVID/GRAVITON</b>	<b>0.002-0.02</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>1071 fold</b>	✓		<b>CCM</b>
KD025 <sup>1</sup> Kadmon Pharmaceuticals	0.105	24	~80 - 100 fold	×		Graft vs host disease
NRL-1049 <sup>2</sup> (Neurellis)	0.24 – 0.73	3.9 – 10.2	13.9 – 16 fold	✓	✓	CCM

Chart based on biochemical assays

## Molecules with pan-ROCK inhibition have shown off-target effects

<sup>1</sup> [Ann Clin Transl Neurol](#), 2014 Jan; 1(1): 2–14. Published online 2013 Nov 19. doi: [10.1002/acn3.19](#)

<sup>2</sup> <https://patents.google.com/patent/US10106525B2/en>

# OV888 clinical development update

## ✓ PRIOR PHASE 1: NANO-SUSPENSION

### Single & multiple ascending dose study in healthy adult volunteers in 2022

- Double-blinded, placebo controlled
- 50 male/female healthy adult volunteers
- 7-day consecutive dosing:
  - SAD: 400 mg, 800 mg, and 1200 mg
  - MAD: 200 mg and 400 mg
- Endpoints: Safety & tolerability; PK
- Findings:
  - 0 SAEs
  - AE of interest (headache (21%), diarrhea (11%), CPK elevations (6%) nausea/vomiting (2%))
- Similar AUC to U.S. study (AUC 11,600 in 1,200 mg group)



## PROGRESS UPDATE: OV888 CLINICAL FORMULATION

### Timing:

- Initiated multiple ascending dose trial in Q3

### Objective:

- Confirm safety and establish maximum dose tolerated

### Approach:

- Randomized, placebo-controlled, double-blind, single-center MAD
- 8 per dose group; 3:1 randomization
- 7-day dosing, 72-hour trailing PK data collection

### Status:

- No serious adverse events

### Next steps:

- Complete multiple ascending dose program
- Requesting FDA pre-IND meeting



# OV329

A next-generation GABA-aminotransferase inhibitor for the potential treatment of pharma-co resistant seizures

# OV329: Large opportunities

## UPDATE

### Phase 1 SAD (3 cohorts complete)

- No safety signals
- Dose escalating

### Expanding formulations

- Oral
- Intravenous

### Expanding development program

### Multiple potential indications

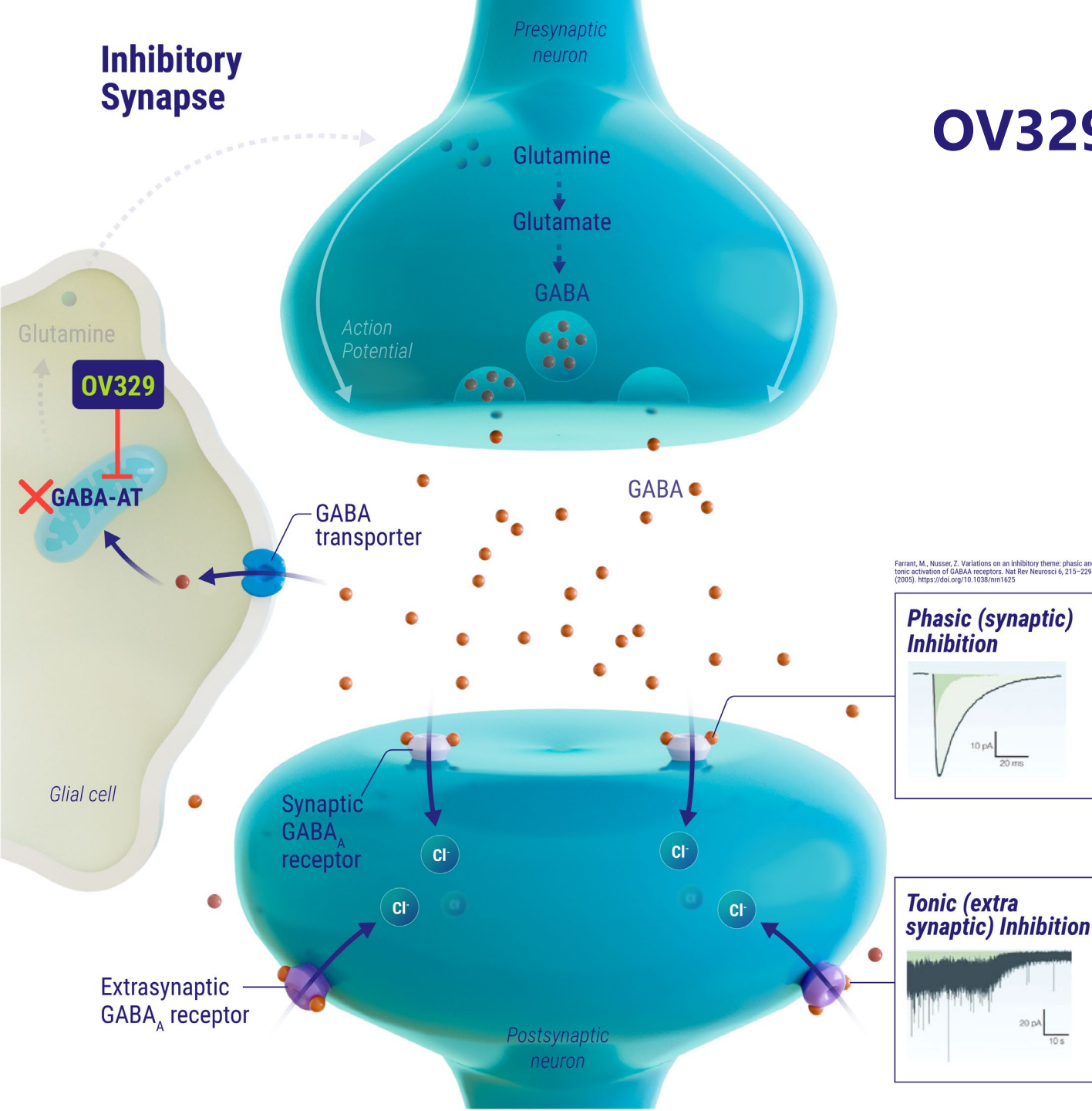
- Chronic
- Acute

- Unique molecule for a validated target, GABA aminotransferase (GABA-AT)
- Promotes inhibitory neurotransmitter (GABA) to reduce seizures
- Established therapeutic window<sup>1</sup>
  - Prior GABA-AT inhibitor, vigabatrin, had no window
- Phase 1 study - exploring safety & surrogate biomarker for efficacy
- New findings support low, repeat dosing:<sup>1</sup>
  - Prolonged effects in seizure reduction
  - Ability to maintain optimal levels of GABA
  - Sustained shifts of tonic and phasic current
  - Established a PD marker for human studies
- OV329 may have utility in acute seizures in addition to chronic

<sup>1</sup>) In animal models



# OV329 mechanism of action



- GABA is the major inhibitory neurotransmitter in brain
- OV329 substantially reduces GABA-AT activity, a key enzyme responsible for degrading GABA, thus elevating GABA levels
- OV329 increases phasic and tonic inhibitory neurotransmission at GABAergic synapses
- Curbs excessive neuronal excitation and reduces seizures



# OV329 development program

Potential for chronic and acute treatments (via oral & IV formulations)

## ORAL – CHRONIC DOSING

- Three SAD cohorts completed in healthy volunteers
  - No safety signals found
  - Moving to MAD
  - Adding site for the Phase 1 SAD/MAD
- Pursuing simultaneous demonstration of anti-convulsant utility via simultaneous transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS) study
- Conducting animal models to further differentiate PK/PD and safety from vigabatrin

## IV – ACUTE DOSING

- Formulating OV329 in IV
- Initiated toxicology for acute dosing
- Intend to initiate a status epilepticus signal finding trial in 2025

# OV329 anticipated profile

## OV329 PROFILE

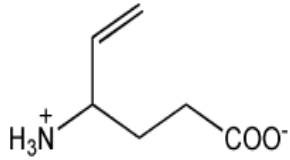
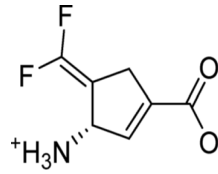
**Significant potency expected to deliver enhanced**

- ✓ Efficacy
- ✓ Safety
- ✓ Lower dosing

## Optimal levels of GABA for sustained seizure suppression

- ✓ Delivers anti-convulsant effects at very low doses
- ✓ Repeated (chronic) low doses deliver sustained seizure reduction and profound changes in tonic (extra-synaptic) inhibition
- ✓ EEG measurements confirm anti-convulsant properties at very low doses
- ✓ Tissue accumulation of OV329 is expected to be less than vigabatrin

# OV329 profile differentiates from vigabatrin

	Vigabatrin	OV329
<b>Molecule</b>		
<b>Potency</b>	IC <sub>50</sub> : ~60 – 100 μM	IC <sub>50</sub> : ~0.1 - 0.3 μM
<b>Exposure characteristics</b>	T <sub>1/2</sub> > 5.0 Hours Both R (inactive) & S (active) enantiomers	Reduced exposure (T <sub>1/2</sub> ~1.0 Hour) coupled with prolonged PD duration
<b>Mechanism of enzyme inhibition</b>	Covalent modification of GABA-AT (early generation chemistry, primarily Michael addition pathway) <sup>1</sup>	Electrostatic (more sophisticated chemistry, primarily enamine pathway) <sup>2</sup>
<b>Purity</b>	Racemase (mixture of active (S) and inactive (R) enantiomers)	Only active, S form
<b>Therapeutic window in Sprague Dawley rats</b> (a proxy model used to assess ocular safety)	<div>×</div> None – toxicity seen at therapeutic dose of 300 mg/kg	<div>✓</div>

1. J Med Chem. 2012 Jan 26; 55(2): 567–575; 2. J Am Chem Soc. 2018 Feb 14; 140(6): 2151–2164

# Development plans

## DEVELOPMENT

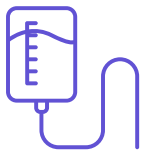
## POTENTIAL INDICATIONS



### OV329 Oral formulation

- Initiating multiple ascending dose cohorts
- Expect higher dose escalation in humans
- Concurrent TMS study to demonstrate PD
- Measuring target engagement surrogate biomarker via MRS (vs VGB)
- Concurrently assessing back of eye accumulation vs VGB in animals
- **Timing:** Full readout H2 2024

- Tuberous sclerosis seizures
- Infantile spasms
- Conditions with focal seizures



### OV329 IV formulation

- Formulating OV329 for IV
- Conducting supportive animal toxicology & disease models

- Status epilepticus
- Refractory status epilepticus



# KCC2 library & OV350

Potential first-in-class direct activators of the KCC2 transporter

# KCC2 direct activation: OV350 (lead program)

## UPDATE

**1<sup>st</sup> IND for OV350 in resistant epilepsy anticipated for H2 2024**

- Planning for intravenous formulation initially
- Intend to pursue an oral formulation

## New animal findings

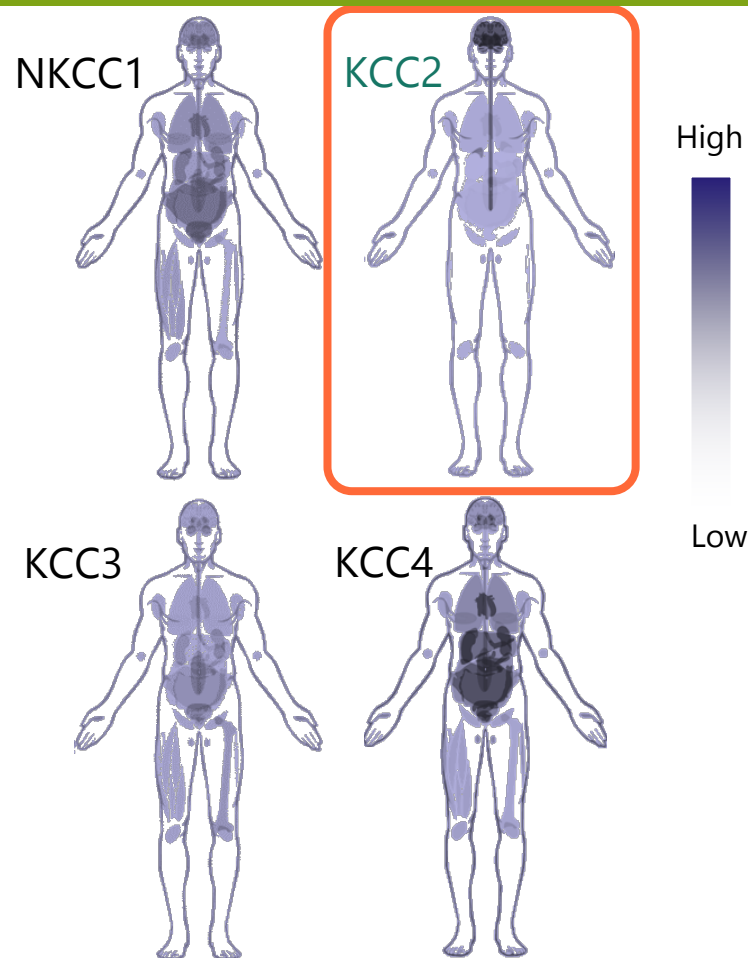
**Broad therapeutic potential in CNS conditions**

- Library of ~100 compounds that are direct activators of potassium chloride co-transporter 2 (KCC2)
  - Unique compounds offer discrete properties
  - Amenable to intravenous, oral and injectable formulations
- Represent a potential franchise of neurotherapeutics
- Activators directly modulate intrinsic hyperexcitability of neurons via chloride extrusion
- Animal models of disease have confirmed
  - Anti-convulsant properties as monotherapy and as a potentiator
  - Anti-psychotic and anti-schizophrenic properties
  - No sedative effects at expected therapeutic windows

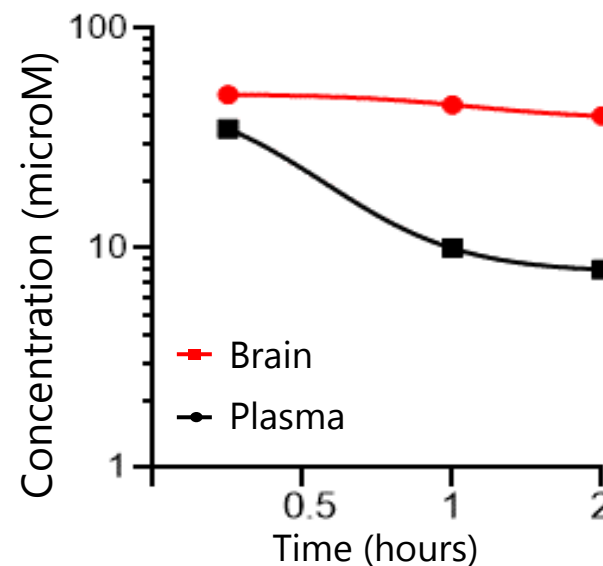


# OV350 shows rapid, stable accumulation in the brain with a translatable pharmacodynamic biomarker<sup>1</sup>

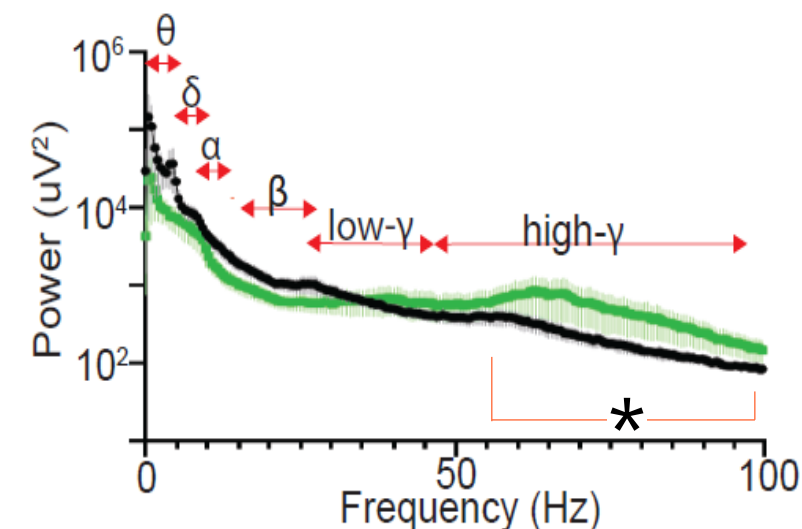
## A. KCC2 is expressed exclusively in neurons



## B. OV350 rapidly accumulates in rodent brain via IV/IP dosing



## C. OV350 induces a shift in EEG high gamma power spectrum (biomarker)

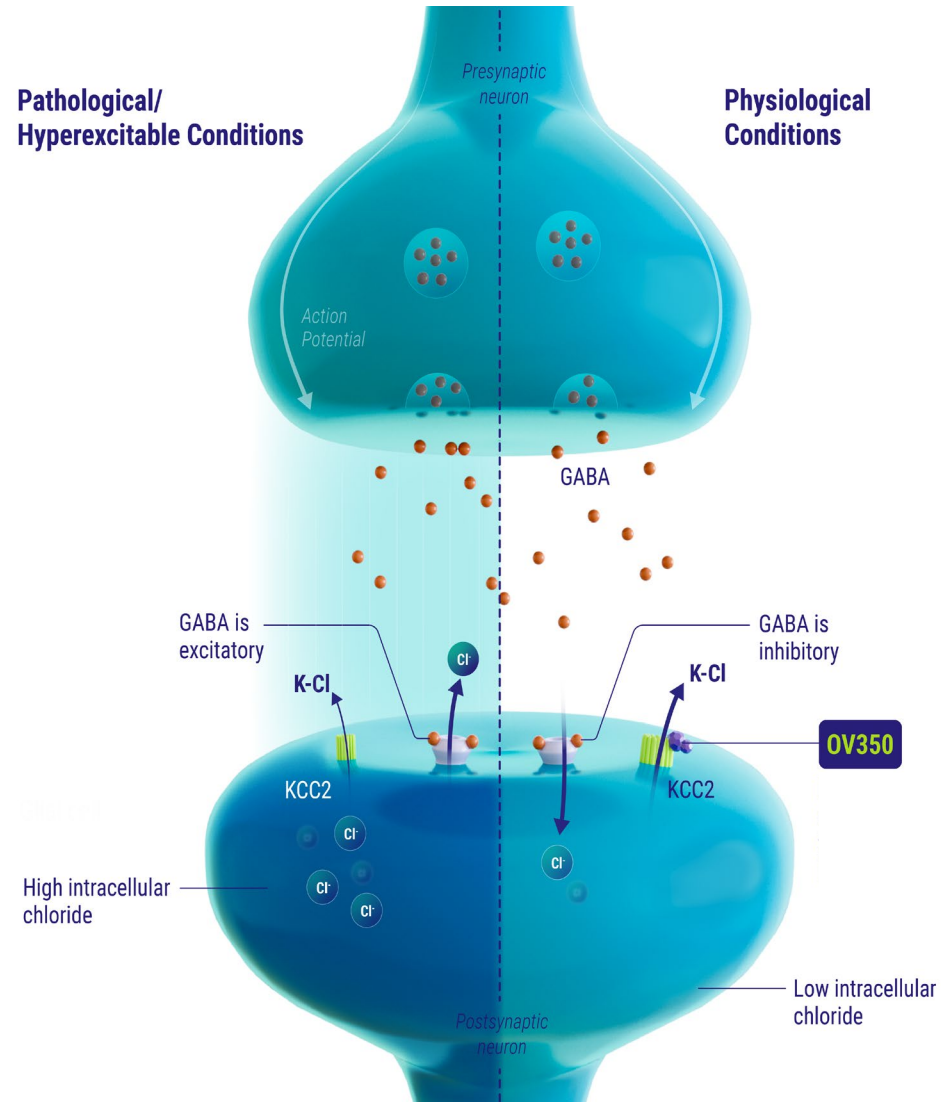


- OV350 in-vivo pharmacokinetics shows high micromolar accumulation in the brain within minutes
- Highly translatable EEG pharmacodynamic biomarker confirmed in healthy animals<sup>1</sup>

# OV350 mechanism of action

## Impaired KCC2 activity

- Causes high intra-neuronal chloride concentrations leading to abnormal depolarizing of the GABA receptor
- Causes neuronal hyperexcitability leading to epilepsy seizures and other pathologies



## In normal KCC2 activity

- NKCC1 activity is low while KCC2 activity is high leading to low intra-neuronal Cl<sup>-</sup> concentration
- Enables a GABA-driven influx of Cl<sup>-</sup>, causing an inhibitory effect (hyperpolarizing) to the GABA<sub>A</sub> current

**OV350 directly activates KCC2 transporter, improving chloride extrusion and improving neuronal inhibition in preclinical models**

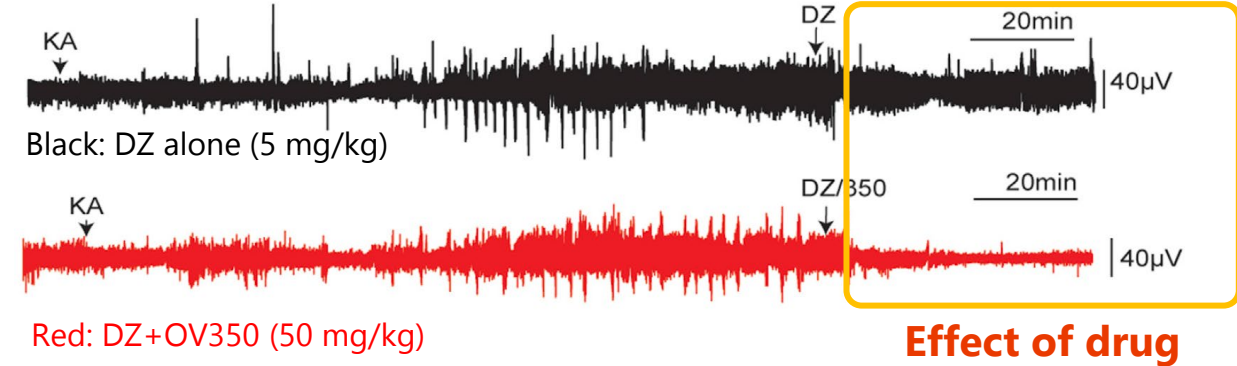
# In-vivo preclinical POC data for OV350 in epilepsy

OV350 terminates ongoing and benzodiazepine refractory status epilepticus

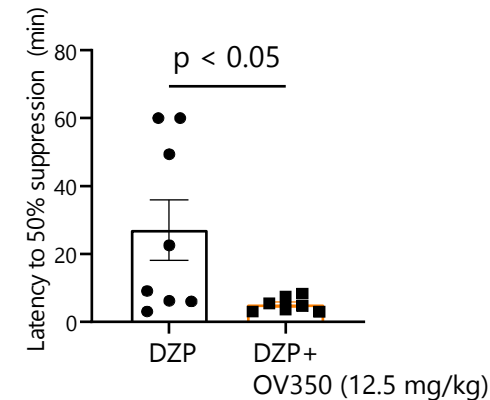
- OV350 demonstrated anti-seizure activities in kainate challenge model
- Mice implanted with electrodes to measure kainate induced seizures and demonstrated that OV350 at 50mg/kg and 12.5mg/kg
  - Restored diazepam activities in stopping seizures
- Supports development in Status Epilepticus using IV formulation of OV350/Benzodiazepine combination

## INDUCTION OF STATUS EPILEPTICUS (SE)

### EEG traces show SE cessation after OV350 intervention with DZ

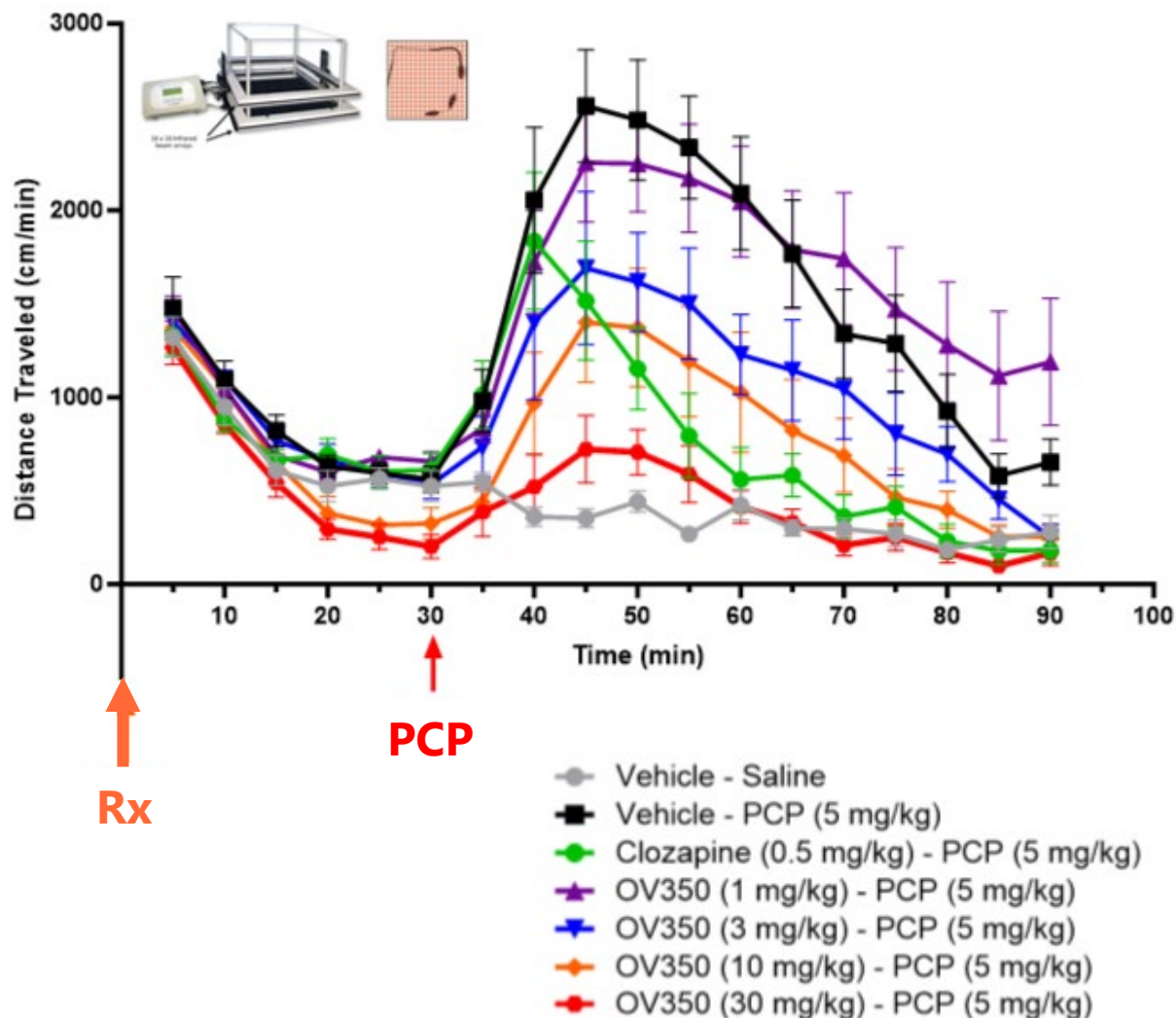


## EFFICACY CONFIRMED AT A LOWER DOSE




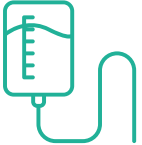

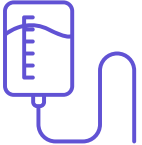
**OV350 restores the activity of Diazepam in drug-refractory seizures**

# OV350 anti-psychotic effects demonstrated in a schizophrenia model



- Phencyclidine-induced psychosis is characterized by:
  - Confusion, excitation, aggression, paranoia, hallucinations, and can be experimentally measured by hyperlocomotion
- Phencyclidine challenge is a widely used as model for schizophrenia
- OV350 inhibited PCP induced hyperlocomotion with clear dose dependent responses
- OV350 appears to have anxiolytic effects without causing sedation

# Development plans

	DEVELOPMENT	POTENTIAL INDICATIONS
  <b>OV350 anti-convulsant applications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conducting IND-enabling animal toxicology for current IV formulation</li><li>• Formulating additional oral and injectable formulations</li><li>• <b>Expected IND filing for IV: H2 2024</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Status epilepticus (IV)</li><li>• Oral (multiple acute and chronic resistant seizure conditions)</li></ul>
  <b>OV350 anti-psychotic applications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conducting further animal disease models</li><li>• Oral formulation and toxicology ongoing</li><li>• Characterizing additional KCC2 activator compounds</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Psychosis</li><li>• Schizophrenia</li><li>• Depression</li></ul>

# Robust near-term news flow of clinical & regulatory milestones

Cash runway supports programs to and through de-risking milestones

PROGRAM	MILESTONE	ANTICIPATED TIMING
Soticlestat	Phase 3 data for Lennox-Gastaut syndrome Phase 3 data for Dravet syndrome	Prior to regulatory filings in Takeda FY 2024 Estimated trial completion dates on <a href="http://www.clinicaltrials.gov">www.clinicaltrials.gov</a>
	Regulatory submissions for Lennox-Gastaut syndrome and Dravet syndrome	Takeda's FY 2024 (April 2024 – March 2025)
OV888	Complete Phase 1 MAD study	H1 2024
	Initiate signal-finding trial in CCM	H2 2024
OV329	Phase 1: SAD/MAD with MRS biomarker and TMS (chronic)	H2 2024
	IND for IV formulation (acute)	H2 2024
KCC2 & OV350	IND submission (IV formulation)	H2 2024

**FOCUSED  
PIPELINE**

to treat epilepsy &  
conditions with seizure symptoms

**HARNESSING  
A REVOLUTION**

in targeted small molecules for  
the central nervous system

**NOVEL  
BIOLOGICAL TARGETS**

implicated in the balance of neuronal  
excitation/inhibition or underlying  
structural conditions

**UNIQUE  
MECHANISMS OF ACTION**

To deliver potential anti-seizure medicines  
with preferable efficacy,  
safety & tolerability

**POTENTIAL TO  
PARTNER**

non-epilepsy indications and ex-U.S. rights

**CAPITAL ANTICIPATED  
TO FUND**

programs through major de-risking events