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SPRUCE AT-A-GLANCE

Tildacerfont poised to transform treatment paradigm in classic CAH	Two late-stage clinical studies initiated; Enriched patient populations across two studies designed to observe clinically meaningful outcomes
Multiple expansion opportunities	Initiation of Phase 2 programs in pediatric classic CAH (6 to 17 years of age) and polycystic ovary syndrome (FAH-PCOS) in 2H 2021
Significant commercial opportunity	~\$3B+ worldwide market opportunity in classic CAH
Strong IP protection	Comprehensive IP portfolio based on issued patents provides exclusivity to 2038 in U.S. combined with Orphan Drug Designation in U.S. and Europe
ាំបំាំ Highly experienced leadership team	Management has contributed to development and commercial launch of 40 products, including within endocrine and rare disease space

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Classic CAH Overview



CLASSIC CAH DISEASE OVERVIEW

Classic CAH is a chronic and potentially life-threatening rare disease



Classic CAH is an autosomal recessive disease characterized by an inability to produce cortisol, leading to a chronic imbalance of key hormones and an overproduction of adrenal androgens.



Due to the severity and high incidence of the disease, most developed countries have established newborn screening programs to test for classic CAH at birth.



We estimate the total classic CAH population to be approximately 20,000-30,000 people in the U.S., 50,000 people in the EU, and at least 145,000 people in China.

OF THE 21-OH DEFICIENT CAH SUBTYPES, CLASSIC IS MORE SEVERE



Classic 21-OHD CAH¹

More severe, life-threatening 1:18,000-10,000 births worldwide



Non-classic 21-OHD CAH²

Less severe, not life-threatening 1:500-1:100 births worldwide



Other forms of CAH¹

CYP11B1 1:100,000 CYP17A1, HSD3B2, POR, STAR very rare





NEWBORN SCREENING for classic CAH¹

Routine in over 50 countries and all 50 states, to prevent neonatal adrenal crisis

- > Detects elevated 17-OHP in the blood
- >> Positive result requires confirmatory testing with serum 17-OHP and cortisol levels

LABORATORY TESTING for later-onset CAH²



- Non-classic CAH is often not detected on newborn screening
- Morning 17-OHP blood level with or without ACTH stimulation test generally diagnostic
- Senetic testing for CYP21A2 mutations if hormone levels are non-diagnostic

PRENATAL DIAGNOSIS for carriers¹

- Indicated when prior children have CAH
- >> Fetal hormone levels and DNA can be analyzed from amniotic fluid
- Fetal DNA analysis is also performed via chorionic villus sampling



HPA AXIS FUNCTION IN CLASSIC CAH PATIENTS

Lack of cortisol leads to overproduction of ACTH and precursor steroid molecules, resulting in excessive adrenal androgens



The dysregulation of the HPA axis in classic CAH.



THIS PRESENTS A DIFFICULT CHOICE IN TREATING CLASSIC CAH

Patients and physicians must choose between the detrimental effects of chronically high adrenal androgen levels or the harmful consequences of excessive, life-long GC use



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Tildacerfont



TILDACERFONT IS A NOVEL CRF₁ RECEPTOR ANTAGONIST





Tildacerfont inhibits excessive production of **ACTH**, **17-OHP** and **adrenal androgens**¹

By reducing excess adrenal androgens (e.g., A4), tildacerfont may improve CAH symptoms and allow **GC reduction** to near physiologic levels¹

Effect of tildacerfont on HPA-axis function in CAH^{1,2}



17-OHP, 17-hydroxyprogesterone; 21-OH, 21-hydroxylase, A4, androstenedione; ACTH, adrenocorticotropic hormone; CAH, congenital adrenal hyperplasia; GC, glucocorticoid; CRF₁, corticotropin-releasing factor 1; HPA, hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal.





Adult Classic CAH Clinical Development Program



KEY FINDINGS FROM PHASE 1 AND 2 STUDIES: SUMMARY



Efficacy

Treatment with tildacerfont resulted in:1

2 weeks	
	3 months

Reduced adrenal androgens at 2 weeks (Study 201) and 3 months (Study 202) in poor disease control patients

Robust reduction in ACTH at the **lowest dose studied** (200mg QD)¹

- No added benefit observed with higher or more frequent dosing
- Evidence of clinical outcome improvement (TART reduction)

Safety

Tildacerfont was generally well-tolerated in both:





Healthy adults²

People with CAH¹



No drug-related SAEs reported to date^{1,2}

ACTH, adrenocorticotropic hormone; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; CAH, congenital ad TART, testicular adrenal rest tumor. Liver icon by Edwin PM, Noun Project.





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ACTH

SPR001-201: CLINICAL PROOF OF CONCEPT (PHASE 2 STUDY)^{1,2}

Phase 2, multicenter, open-label, multiple-dose, dose-escalation study¹



17-OHP, 17-hydroxyprogesterone; BID, twice daily; PD, pharmacodynamics; PK, pharmacokinetics; PO, oral administration; QD, once daily.
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SPR001-202: TWELVE-WEEK, OPEN-LABEL PHASE 2 STUDY^{1,2}

Phase 2, multicenter, open-label study¹





*Trial visits were conducted in the morning, at approximately 8 AM, prior to consumption of a morning GC dose at baseline (Day 1) and Weeks 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12, and 30 days after the last dose.

17-OHP, 17-hydroxyprogesterone; A4, androstenedione; ACTH, adrenocorticotropic hormone; PD, pharmacodynamic profiles; PO, oral administration; QD, once daily.

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UNMET MEDICAL NEEDS ACCORDING TO DISEASE STATUS

The management of classic CAH requires a balance between adrenal hormone suppression and GC replacement^{1,2}





GOOD DISEASE CONTROL¹

 Unmet need to reduce GC dose and improve related clinical outcomes

Normal or near normal adrenal

androgens

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POOR DISEASE CONTROL¹

- Elevated adrenal androgens
- Unmet need to reduce adrenal androgens and improve related clinical outcomes





SPR001-202: ROBUST REDUCTION IN ACTH IN POORLY CONTROLLED DISEASE

In the poor disease control group, a robust initial drop in ACTH was seen at week 2, followed by further reduction over 12 weeks; there was a maximum reduction in ACTH of 84% at week 10 of the study in the poor disease control group

POOR DISEASE CONTROL



Normalization of ACTH achieved in 60% of patients^{*} •





GOOD DISEASE CONTROL



No excessive suppression of adrenal function



SPR001-202: SUSTAINED REDUCTION IN A4 IN POORLY CONTROLLED DISEASE

In poor disease control group, an initial drop in A4 was seen at week 2, followed by further reduction over 12 weeks; there was a maximum reduction in A4 of **79% at week 10** of study in the poor disease control group

POOR DISEASE CONTROL



Good Disease Control Group 300 400 mg QD (n=3) 250 Upper Limit of Norma Geometric Mean A4 (ng/dl) 200 150 100 +106% +124% +106% +84% +86% +87% 50 Ω Week 6 Week 8 Week 10 Week 12 Follow-up Baselir Week 2

GOOD DISEASE CONTROL

• No excessive suppression of adrenal function

Normalization of A4 achieved in 40% of patients



CAHmelia-203: ADRENAL ANDROGEN REDUCTION STUDY

A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, dose-ranging Phase 2b study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of tildacerfont in adult patients with classic CAH



CAHmelia-203: STUDY ENDPOINTS

PRIMARY ENDPOINT

Percentage change in A4 from baseline to Week 12

SECONDARY ENDPOINTS

- >>> Percentage change from baseline to Week 12 in 17-OHP and ACTH
- \rightarrow Proportion of patients achieving the following at Week 12: A4 \leq ULN, 17-OHP \leq 4 \times ULN, ACTH \leq ULN
- Absolute change from baseline to Week 12 in A4, 17-OHP, and ACTH
- Adverse events and serious adverse events

KEY EXPLORATORY ENDPOINTS

- Percentage change from baseline to Week 70 in A4, 17-OHP, and ACTH
- Proportion of patients achieving the following at Week 70: A4 ≤ULN, 17-OHP ≤4 × ULN, ACTH ≤ULN
- Absolute change from baseline to Week 70 in A4, 17-OHP, and ACTH

CAHmelia-204: GC REDUCTION STUDY

A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled Phase 2b study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of tildacerfont in reducing supraphysiologic GC use in adult patients with classic CAH



Study schema is not drawn to scale.

PRIMARY ENDPOINT

Absolute change in GC dose (HCe) from baseline to Week 24

SECONDARY ENDPOINTS

- Median total cumulative GC dose (HCe)
- Adverse events and serious adverse events

KEY EXPLORATORY ENDPOINTS

- Proportion of patients with any reduction in GC dose (baseline to Week 24; Week 24 to Week 76; baseline to Week 76)
- >>> Change from baseline to Week 24/Week 76 in A4, 17-OHP, and ACTH
- Change from baseline to Week 24/Week 76 in QoL, clinical CAH symptoms, markers of bone turnover, metabolic parameters (glucose, lipids, blood pressure, BMI, body composition, bone mineral density [DXA]), and TARTs in men

dose (HCe) at Week 24 in patients who maintain A4 ≤ULN

SECONDARY COMPOSITE ENDPOINTS

➢ Proportion of patients with GC dose ≤20 mg/d (HCe) at Week 24 in patients who maintain A4 ≤ULN



Pediatric Classic CAH Overview





CAH, congenital adrenal hyperplasia 1. Falhammer H, *et al. J Clin Endocrinol Metab*. 2014; 99: E2715-E2721; 2. Claahsen-van der Grinten H, *et al. Endocr Rev*. 2021;bnab016. DOI: <u>https://doi.org/10.1210/endrev/bnab016</u> [Epub ahead of print]; 3. Merke D, *et al. N Engl J Med*. 2020;383:1248-61; 4. Mueller S, *et al. Eur J Endocrinol*. 2010;163:801-10; 5. Claahsen-van der Grinten H, *et al. Best Pract Res Clin Endocrinol Metab*. 2009;23(2):209–20.





ADHD, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder; CAH, congenital adrenal hyperplasia.

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ADRENAL (SALT-WASTING) CRISIS

- Risk of potentially fatal electrolyte imbalances, acidosis, and shock begins at birth¹
- Precipitated by acute illness, often infection²
- Life-threatening hypoglycemia with seizures is more common in children^{1,2}



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GENITOURINARY

- 46,XX genital atypia/sex misassignment at birth³
- 46,XY TARTs may begin in childhood⁵

CAH, congenital adrenal hyperplasia; TARTs, testicular adrenal rest tumors. 1. Falhammer H, *et al. J Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 2014; 99: E2715-E2721; 2. Claahsen-van der Grinten H, *et al. Endocr Rev.* 2021;bnab016. DOI: <u>https://doi.org/10.1210/endrev/bnab016</u> [Epub ahead of print]; 3. Merke D, *et al. N Engl J Med.* 2020;383:1248-61; 4. Mueller S, *et al. Eur J Endocrinol.* 2010;163:801-10; 5. Claahsen-van der Grinten H, *et al. Best Pract Res Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 2009;23(2):209–20.





PUBARCHE^{2,3}

- Early childhood virilization
- Early onset adult body odor







SHORT STATURE IN CAH IS CAUSED BY ANDROGENS AND GCs



CAH, congenital adrenal hyperplasia; GC, glucocorticoid.

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MANAGEMENT GOALS OF PEDIATRIC CAH VARY WITH AGE



Goal of therapy: Maximize androgen suppression for normal growth and pubertal development

> **Challenges:** GC overdose may cause

iatrogenic Cushing syndrome

Strategies to achieve balance:

Use only short-acting GCs Avoid attempts to normalize 17-OHP levels **Goal of therapy:** Maintain adequate androgen suppression despite rapid HC metabolism in puberty

> **Challenges:** Higher GC doses are associated with shorter adult height

Strategies to achieve balance: Use GC doses >17 mg/m²/d with care Prioritize height over normalizing hormone levels **Goal of therapy:** Prevent morbidity & mortality from adrenal crisis, preserve fertility

Challenges:

MC requirements vary through adolescence Medical needs vary by sex and gender

Strategies to achieve balance:

Continue GC & MC at transition to adulthood Refer to multidisciplinary transition clinics



PHASE 2 STUDY IN PEDIATRIC CAH: TO BE INITIATED IN 2021



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Study schema is not drawn to scale.

*Weight-based dosing at adult/effective dose equivalents.

17-OHP, 17-hydroxyprogesterone; A4, androstenedione; ACTH, adrenocorticotropic hormone; B, baseline; CAH, congenital adrenal hyperplasia; DSMB, Data Safety and Monitoring Board; GC, glucocorticoid;

HCe, hydrocortisone equivalent(s); PD, pharmacodynamics; PK, pharmacokinetics; QD, once daily.

Spruce Biosciences. Data on file.

Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) Overview



PCOS Overview

- Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is a complex condition characterized by elevated androgen levels, menstrual irregularities, and/or small cysts on one or both ovaries.
- 5% to 10% of females 18 to 44 years of age are affected by PCOS (~5 million women in the U.S.), making it the most common endocrine abnormality among women of reproductive age in the U.S.¹
- Adolescents typically present with hirsutism, acne resistant to topical therapies, and menstrual irregularities.
- Adult women usually seek care for oligomenorrhea and hyperandrogenism and if applicable, fertility concerns due to ovulatory dysfunction.
- Providers include reproductive endocrinologists, but also endocrinologists, OBGYN, internal medicine, and dermatologists depending on clinical manifestations.
- Costs to the U.S. health care system for the identification and management of PCOS are approximately \$4 billion per year.²
- 1. National Institutes of Health Department of Health and Human Services. *Beyond Infertility: Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS)* NIH Pub. No. 08-5863, April 2008
- 2. ACOG Practice Bulletin No. 108: Polycystic ovary syndrome. Obstet Gynecol. 2009 Oct; 114(4):936.



Treatment





Elucidating Androgen Source

- Functional ovarian hyperandrogenism (FOH) is detected by stimulating the hypothalamic pituitary ovarian (HPO) axis, thus a GnRH agonist is administered to detect an exaggerated 17-OHP level (>132 ng/dl is considered diagnostic)
- Functional adrenal hyperandrogenism (FAH) is detected by stimulating the hypothalamic pituitary adrenal (HPA) axis, thus ACTH stimulation testing is performed to detect an exaggerated DHEA level (>1136 ng/dl is considered diagnostic)



Subtype	GnRHag 17- OHP Response	DAST Testosterone Response	ACTH DHEA Response
FOH	High	High	Normal
FOH + FAH	High	High	High
FAH	Normal	Normal	High
Other	Normal	Normal	Normal

GnRHag: low-dose, short-acting GnRH agonist DAST: low dose dexamethasone suppression test ACTH test: low dose cosyntropin test 17-OHP: 17-hydroxyprogesterone; DHEA: dehydroepiandrosterone

Rosenfield (2011) study comprised n=40 PCOS patients

Phase 2 POC Study: Blinded Intrasubject Dose Titration to Effect



Design	Randomized, Double Blind, Placebo-controlled, Intra-subject dose-escalation
Sample size	40 subjects; 20 per treatment group; 1:1 randomization Strata: DHEAS (baseline DHEAS ≤ 1.2 x ULN, DHEAS > 1.2x ULN) and by source of androgen excess (FAH, FAH+FOH)
Key Eligibility Criteria	Adult PCOS 18-30 yrs, BMI <38 kg/m ^{2;} DHEAS > ULN at all screening visit No use of COC
Endpoints	 1° Endpoint: Safety / Tolerability of escalating doses Additional Endpoints: Reduction of DHEAS Baseline change > 30%, DHEAS < ULN ACTH, 17OHP, T, A4, 11OHA4, 11OHT, 11KA4, 11KT: baseline change Ovulation + metabolic parameters

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Commercial Opportunity and Milestones



COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITY – CLASSIC CAH



Large rare disease, up to 80,000 patients in U.S./EU



Orphan drug pricing anticipated

IP: Composition of Matter (2027)² / Methods (2038)



Orphan Drug Designation: U.S. (7.5 years) / EU (12 years)³

Based on industry reports

Absent any patent term adjustments or extensions

Assumes 6-month (U.S.) and 2-year (EU) extension if clinical trials are conducted in accordance with agreed-upon pediatric investigational plan



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Capital Structure and Summary Financials as of June 30, 2021

Capital Structure	Shares
Shares Outstanding	23,370,070
Options Issued and Outstanding	2,612,963
Warrants	-
Fully Diluted Shares Outstanding	25,983,033

Financials	000's
Cash and Investments	\$139,000
Debt ¹	\$5,000



KEY ANTICIPATED MILESTONES



* Clinical data milestones subject to change based on continued assessment of study progress



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