

# Platform Advances in RNAi Therapeutics



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# RNAi Therapeutics: New Class of Innovative Medicines

Clinically Proven Approach with Transformational Potential

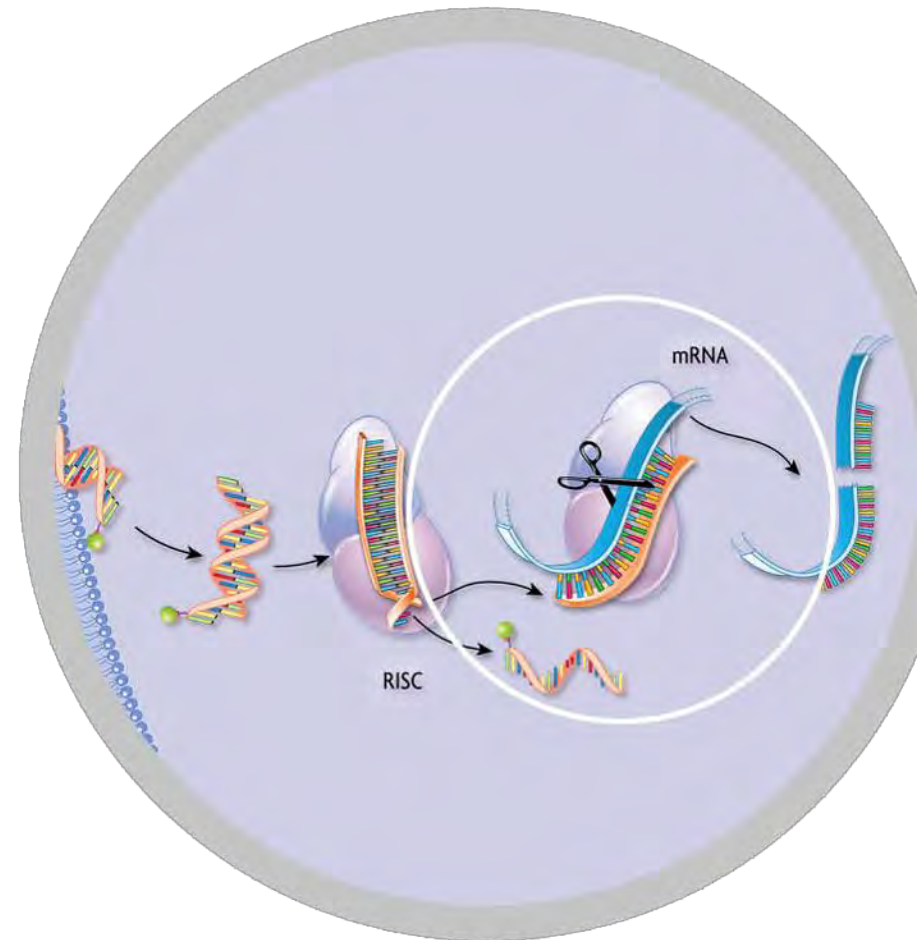
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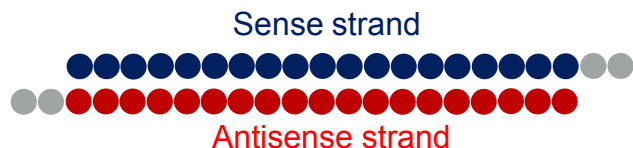
Product engine for sustainable pipeline

Now entering commercial stages



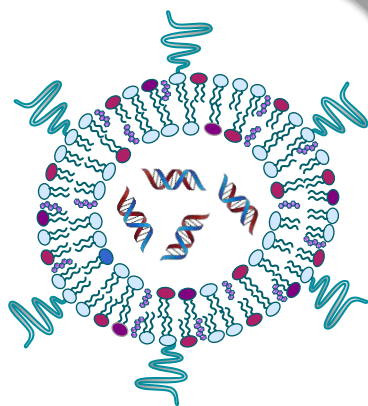
# Addressing Delivery Challenge

## Alnylam Platforms for Functional siRNA Delivery to Target Tissue

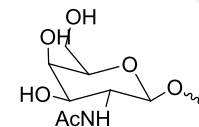
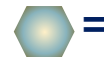
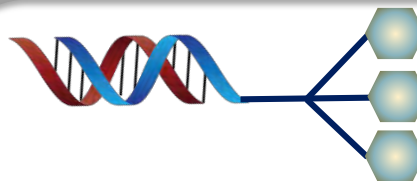


### Lipid Nanoparticles (LNPs)

- Multi-component lipid formulation (~100 nm in size)
- Encapsulated siRNA
- Highly efficient for targeted delivery to liver
- Administered intravenously (IV)
- Clinically validated



Patisiran



GalNAc

### GalNAc-siRNA Conjugates

- Single chemical entity
- GalNAc ligand conjugated to extensively modified siRNA
- Targeted delivery to liver
- Administered subcutaneously (SC)
- Clinically validated

Complementary Approaches for Efficient siRNA Delivery to Liver

# Anylam Clinical Development Pipeline

Focused in 4 Strategic Therapeutic Areas (STAr):

- Genetic Medicines
- Cardio-Metabolic Diseases
- Hepatic Infectious Diseases
- CNS Diseases

		HUMAN POC <sup>1</sup>	BREAKTHROUGH DESIGNATION	EARLY STAGE <i>(IND or CTA Filed-Phase 2)</i>	LATE STAGE <i>(Phase 2-Phase 3)</i>	REGISTRATION/ COMMERCIAL <sup>2</sup>	COMMERCIAL RIGHTS
<b>Patisiran</b>	<i>Hereditary ATTR Amyloidosis</i>					<span style="color: blue;">●</span>	Global
<b>Givosiran</b>	<i>Acute Hepatic Porphyrias</i>				<span style="color: blue;">●</span>		Global
<b>Fitusiran</b>	<i>Hemophilia and Rare Bleeding Disorders</i>				<span style="color: blue;">●</span>		15-30% Royalties
<b>Inclisiran</b>	<i>Hypercholesterolemia</i>				<span style="color: magenta;">●</span>		Milestones & up to 20% Royalties
<b>ALN-TTRsc02</b>	<i>ATTR Amyloidosis</i>			<span style="color: blue;">●</span>			Global
<b>Lumasiran</b>	<i>Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 1</i>			<span style="color: blue;">●</span>			Global
<b>Cemdisiran</b>	<i>Complement-Mediated Diseases</i>			<span style="color: blue;">●</span>			Global

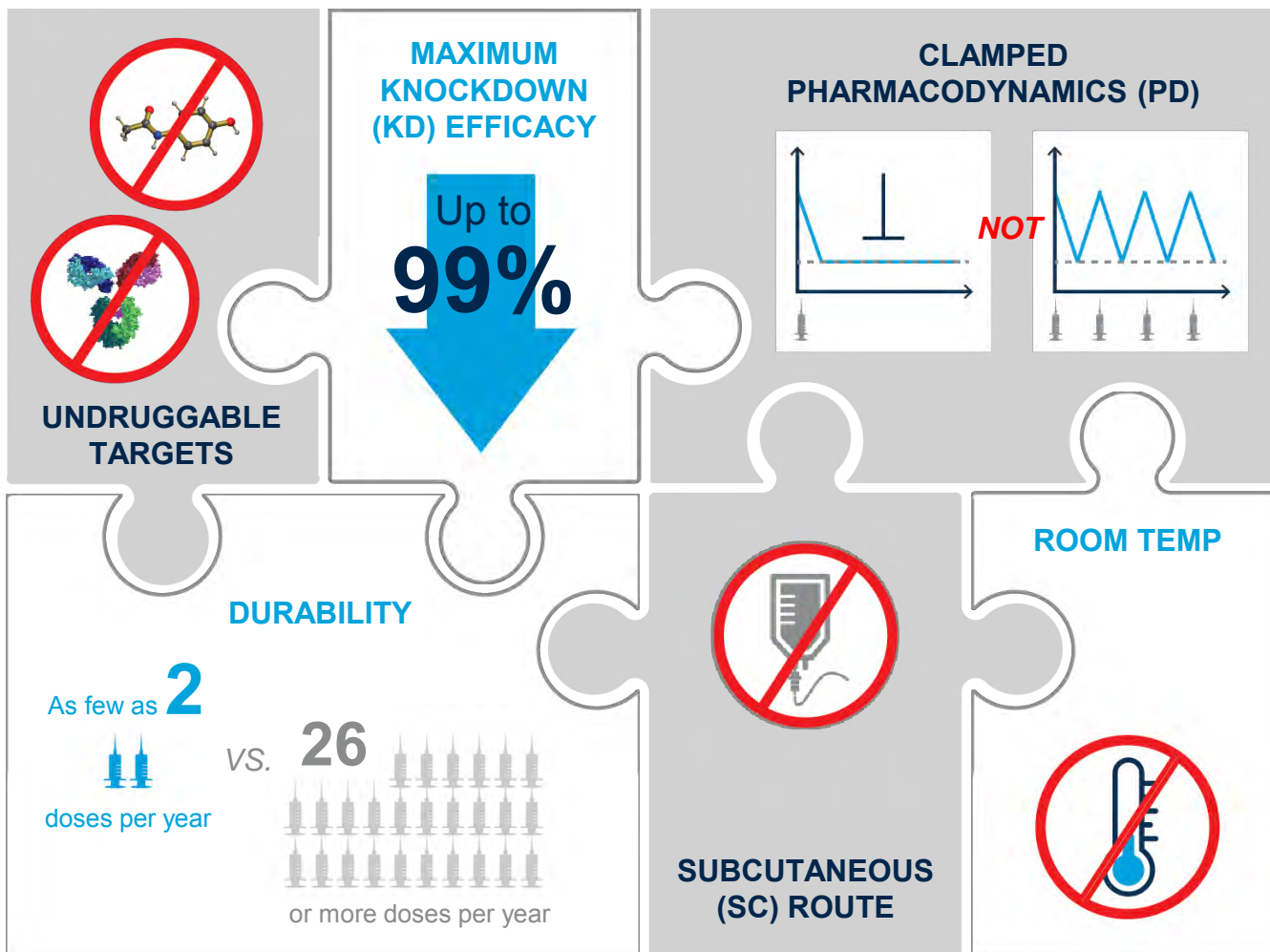
<sup>1</sup>POC, proof of concept – defined as having demonstrated target gene knockdown and/or additional evidence of activity in clinical studies

<sup>2</sup>Includes marketing application submissions



# Key Features of Alnylam Investigational RNAi Therapeutics

Potential Attributes for Differentiation and Value



# Extensive Human Safety Experience

## Encouraging Results to Date

Number of Programs	Number of Clinical Studies	Total Patients or Volunteers Dosed	Greatest Duration of Exposure
>10	>25	>1200	>48 months

### Minimal platform related findings\*

- Low incidence (2.9%) of generally mild, asymptomatic, reversible LFT increases >3x ULN
- Injection site reactions (24%) generally mild, transient and rarely led to discontinuation
  - No events of ulceration, necrosis or tissue damage
- One report of anaphylaxis (<0.05%) in patient with prior history of atopy\*\*
  - No anti-drug antibodies (ADA) detected against GalNAc-siRNA

### Revusiran program discontinued in October 2016

- Extensive evaluation showed no clear reason for mortality imbalance
- While possible that imbalance was a chance finding, role for revusiran cannot be excluded
- Revusiran exposure is 12-140 times greater than other pipeline programs

### Favorable emerging profile for ESC-GalNAc platform compared with competing oligo platforms†

- No evidence of thrombocytopenia, renal toxicity, or systemic inflammatory effects

\* Experience as of December 2017 – Data estimated based on available safety data

\*\* Givosiran OLE study, reported April 2018

† Not based on direct comparative studies

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Next generation GalNAc conjugate with further improvements to specificity and therapeutic index

# Alynlam CNS Pipeline Strategy

Expanding a Pipeline of Potentially Transformative Medicines



**Genetically validated,  
CNS-expressed  
target gene**

**Biomarker for  
POC in  
Phase 1**

**Definable path  
to approval and  
patient access**

## **Alynlam CNS Objectives**

- 1<sup>st</sup> DC in 2018
- 1<sup>st</sup> IND in late '19/early '20
- 1-2 INDs/yr starting in '20

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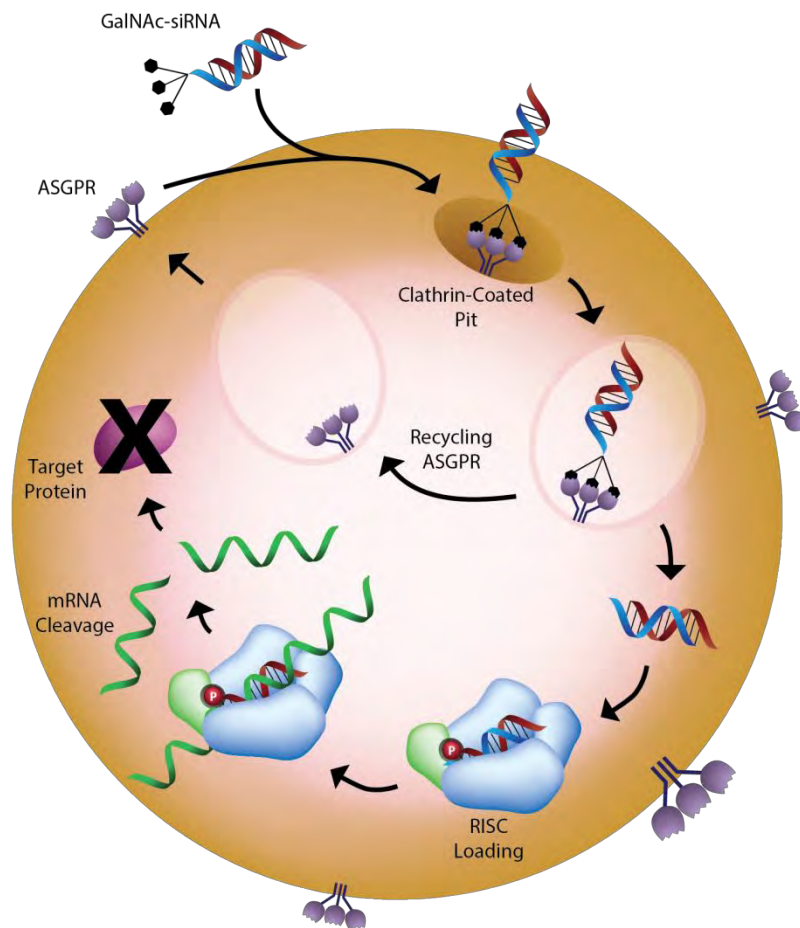
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# Enhanced Stabilization Chemistry (ESC) GalNAc-siRNAs

Subcutaneously-Administered Conjugate Platform for Targeted Delivery to Liver

## siRNA

- Metabolic stability
- Intrinsic potency



## Ligand

- Trivalent GalNAc
- High affinity and specificity

## Asialoglycoprotein Receptor (ASGPR)

- Highly expressed in hepatocytes
- High capacity receptor
- Conserved across species

Nair et al. *JACS* **2014**  
Matsuda et al. *ACS Chem. Bio.* **2015**  
Rajeev et al. *ChemBioChem* **2015**  
Nair et al. *NAR* **2017**  
Foster et al. *Mol. Ther.* **2018**

# Subset of ESC Conjugates Show Rat Hepatotoxicity at Exaggerated Doses

*In silico* prediction &  
*In vitro* efficacy

*In vitro* screen for  
predicted off-targets

Rodent  
Knockdown

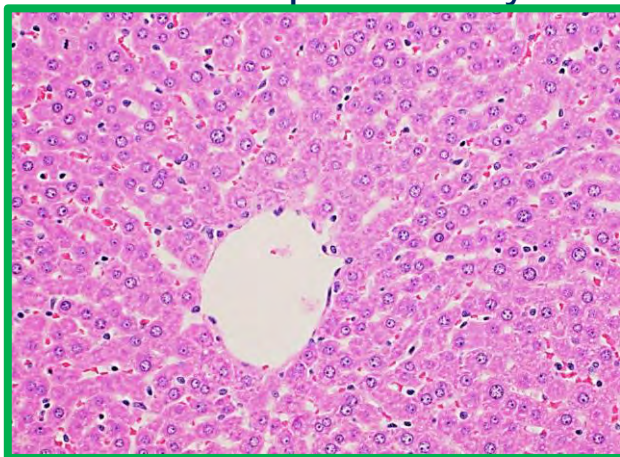
Rat Tox @  
>100x PD dose

NHP  
Knockdown

DC

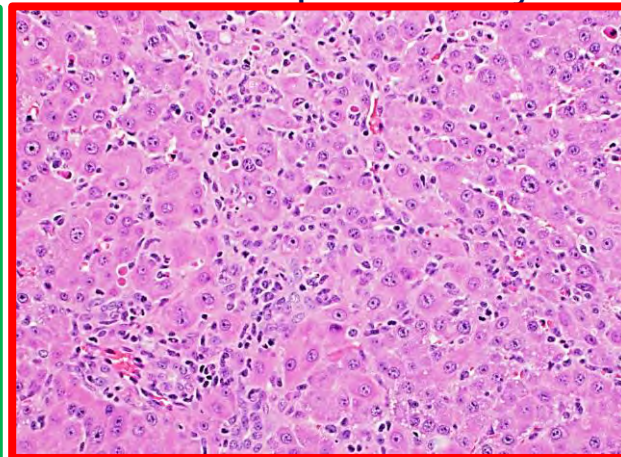
Good Actors

No hepatotoxicity



Bad Actors

Show hepatotoxicity

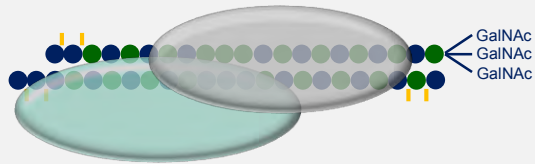


Single cell necrosis and/or  
hepatocellular degeneration with  
↑LFT 2x upper limit of normal

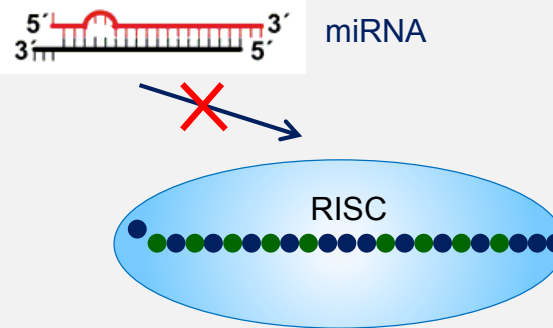
# Seed-Based Off-Target Effects Are Important Drivers of Rodent Hepatotoxicity for Subset of Conjugates

## 1. Non-RNAi effects

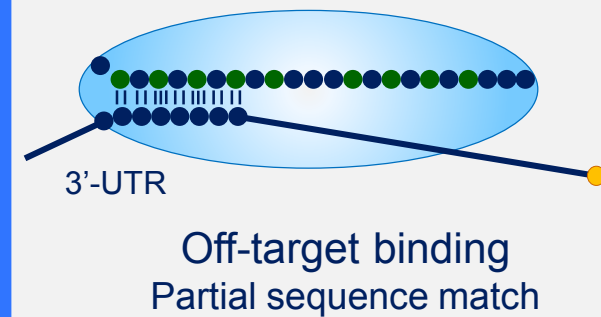
e.g. siRNA chemistry, metabolites  
protein binding, drug accumulation



## 2. Competition for RISC loading with miRNAs



## 3. Undesired seed-based off-target activity



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## Selection of GalNAc-conjugated siRNAs with limited off-target-driven rat hepatotoxicity

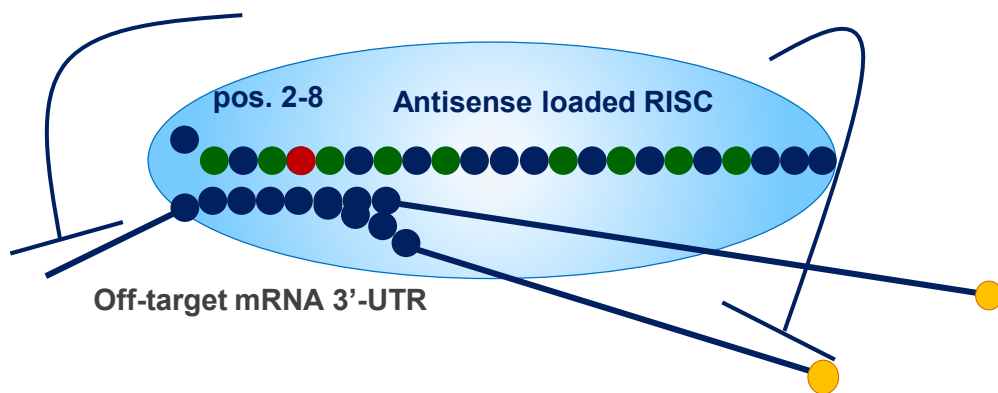
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# Strategy to Improve Specificity and Therapeutic Index

Utilize seed-pairing destabilization via novel chemical modifications to selectively destabilize off-target binding

## Off-target binding Partial sequence match



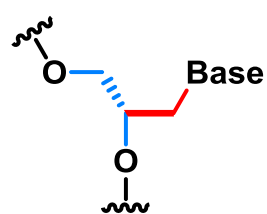
Undesired off-target activity

## Important Considerations

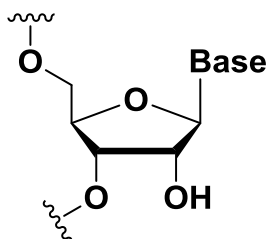
1. On-target potency must be maintained in vivo
2. Off-target activity should be minimized

# GNA – a Potential Solution

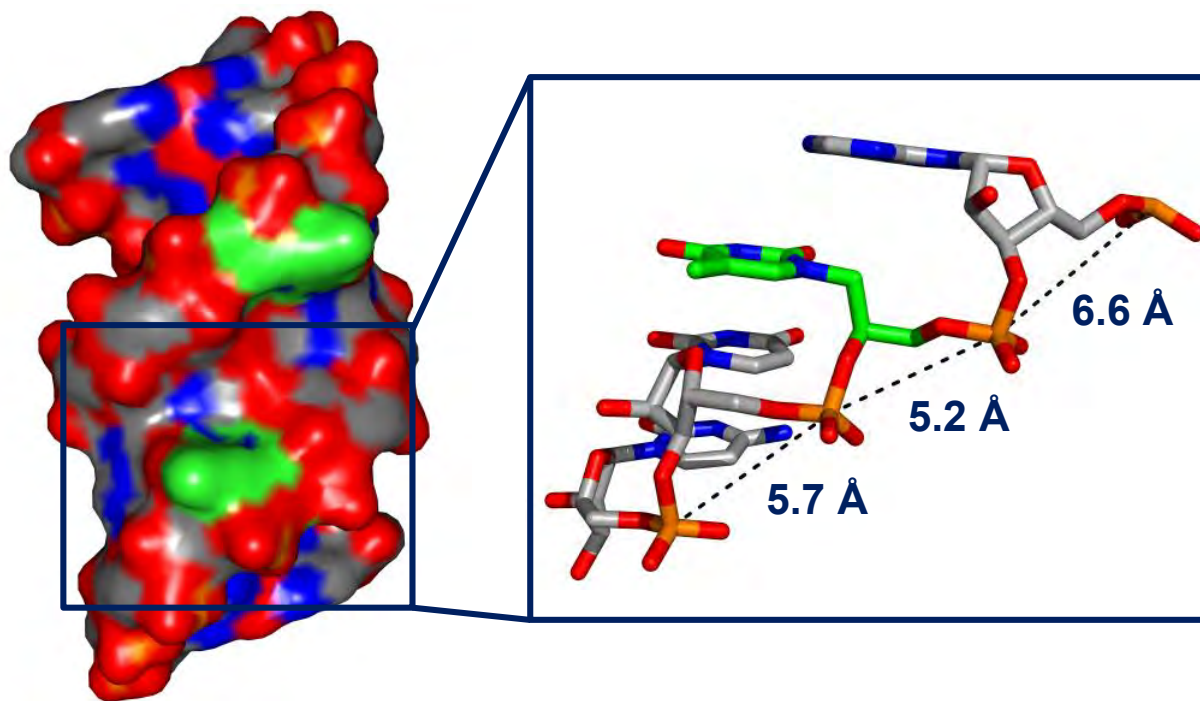
- Glycol Nucleic Acid (GNA) in seed region generally appears to be well-suited to minimize off-target effects via **seed-pairing destabilization** while maintaining potency
- GNA can be well accommodated within the RNA duplex despite shorter **phosphate-phosphate** and **base-backbone** distance



(S)-GNA

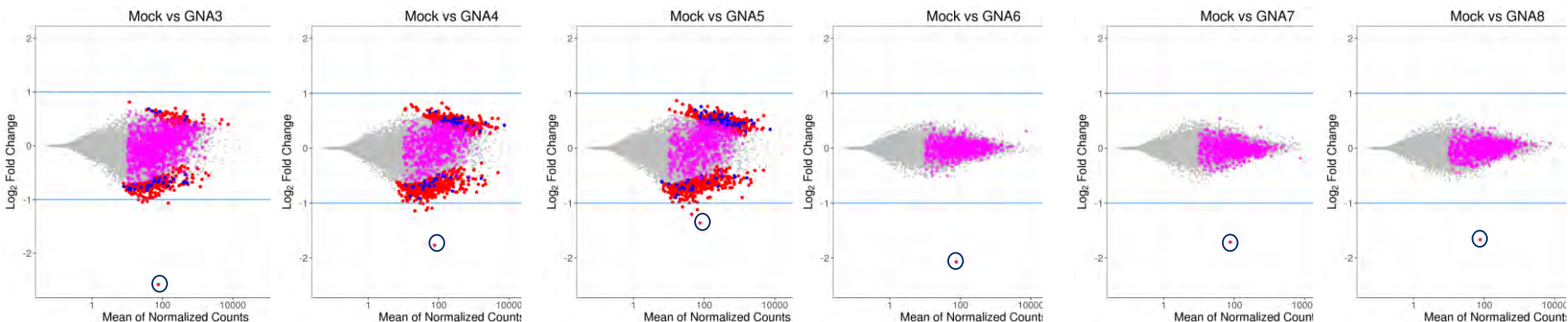
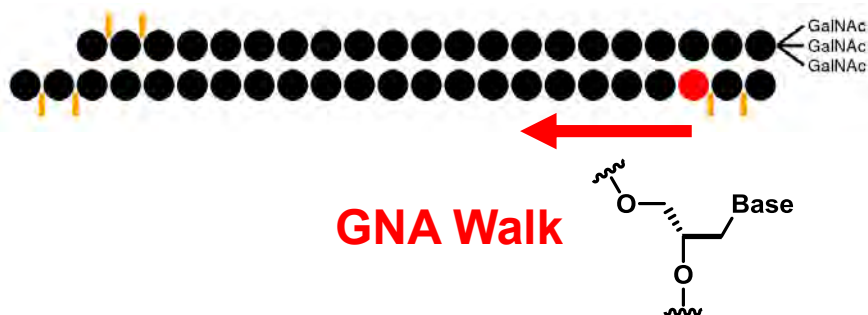
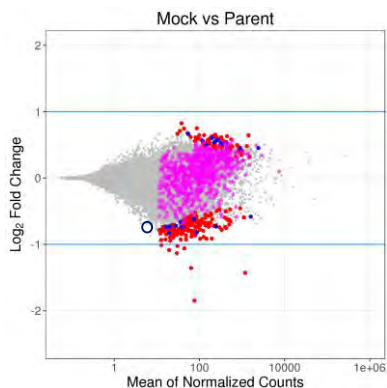


RNA



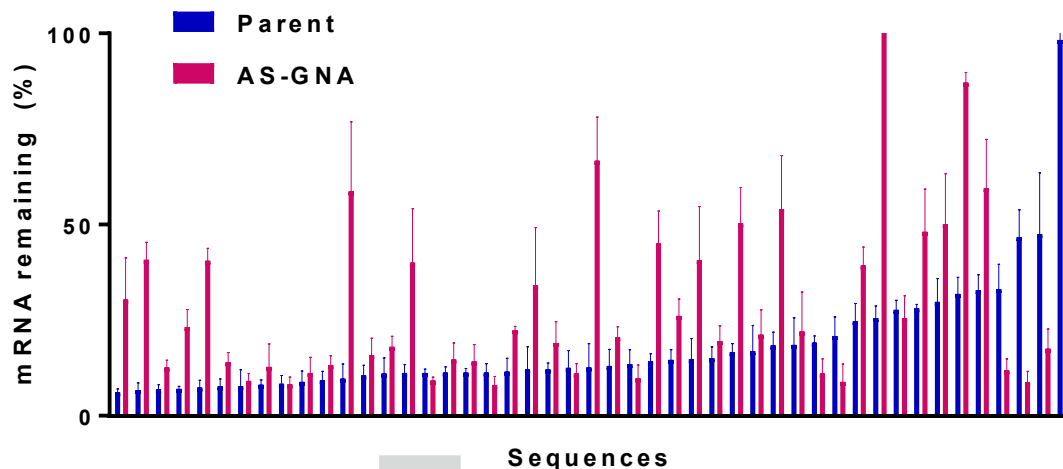
# GNA at Positions 6-8 Demonstrates Superior Off-Target Mitigation Compared to Positions 3-5

## *In Vitro* RNAseq



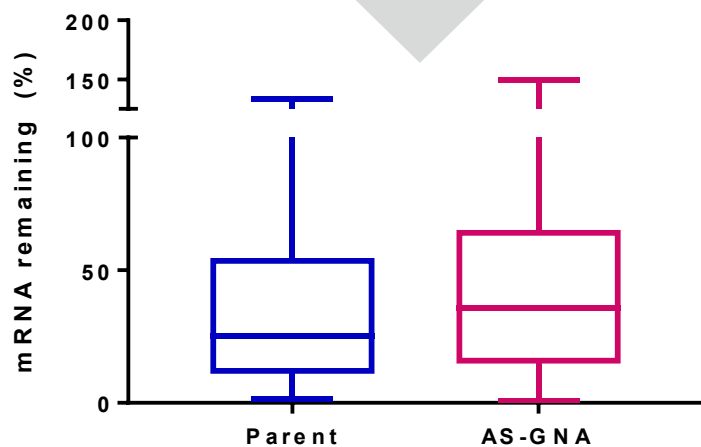
**DEGs (Differentially Expressed Genes), significant**  
**3'UTR match, significant**  
**3'UTR match, not significant**

# Sequence-Dependent Impact of GNA on Inherent Potency



## Example Screen

- Screen of 47 sequences against single target
- Transfection, 10 nM siRNA, 24 hours, PMH



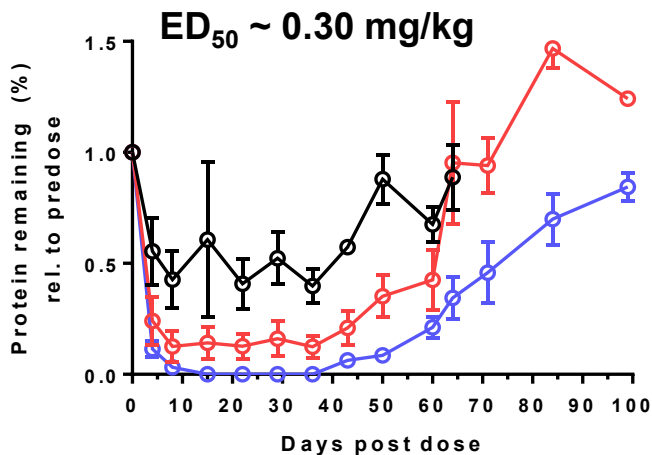
- Differential tolerance of GNA modification across a panel of sequences ranging from improved activity to decreased activity
- In those cases where potency reduced, individual sequence optimization can be successfully used to improve potency to the level of the parent ESC conjugate

- 315 Sequences, 6 Targets
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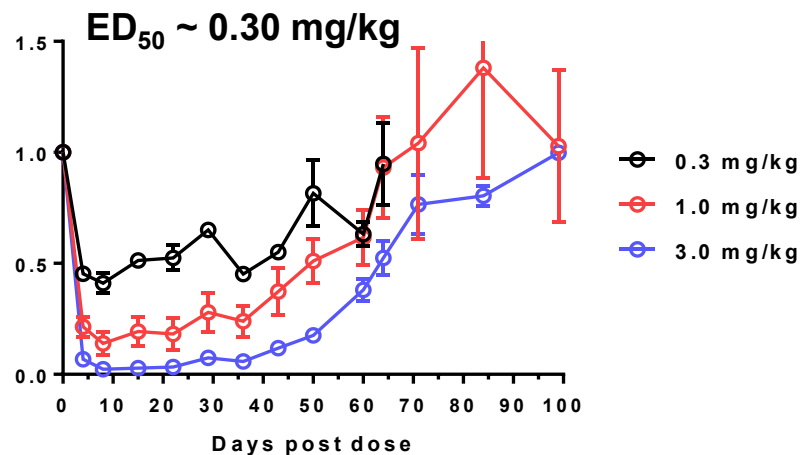
# Comparable Potency in Rodents with GNA-Containing Conjugates

Mice

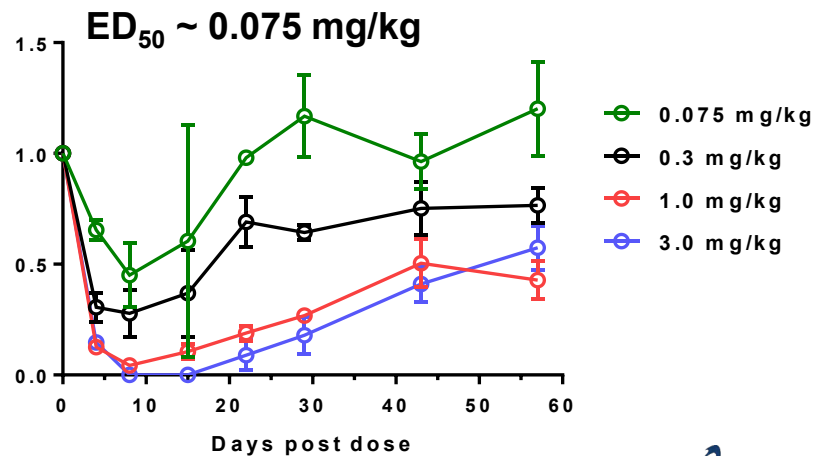
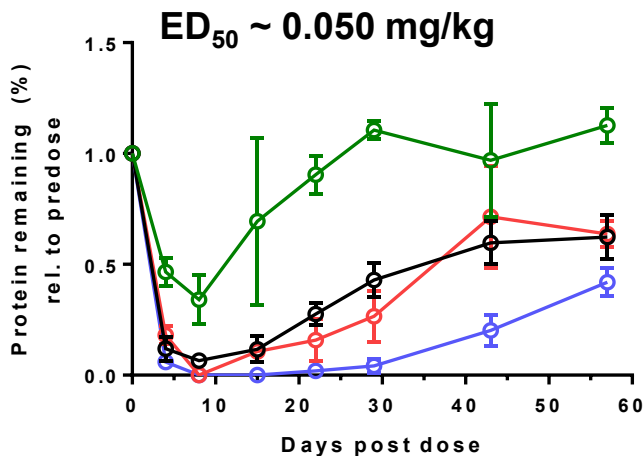
Parent ESC



AS7-GNA



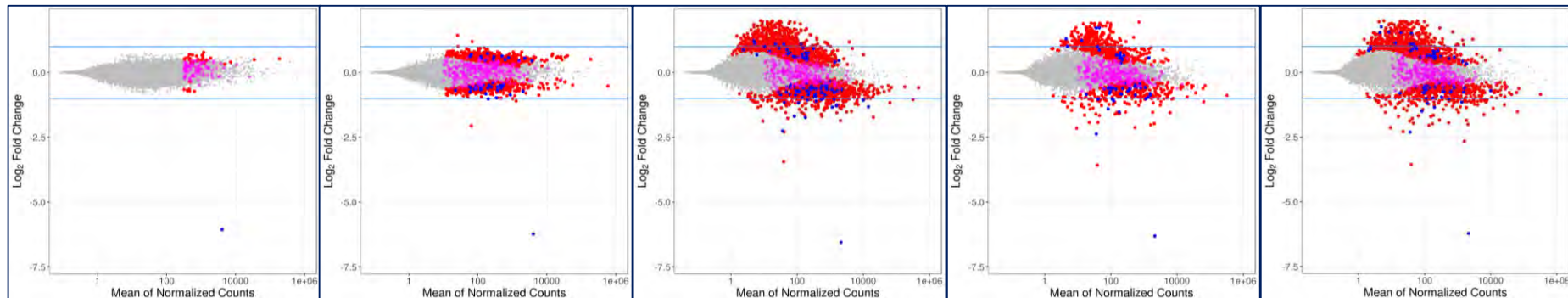
Rats



# ESC+ Demonstrates More Quiescent Off-Target Signature Across Dose Levels in Rat Liver

Dose: qw x 3  
Necropsy: Day 16

ESC



3 mg/kg

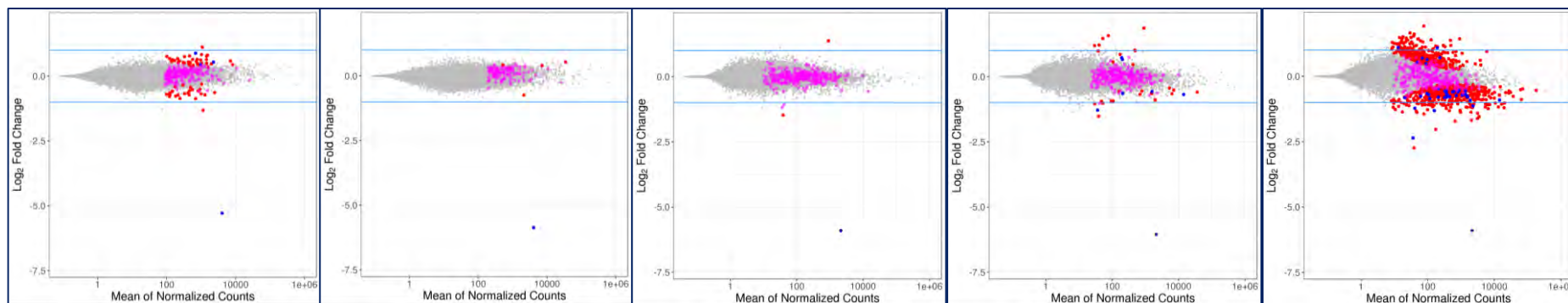
10 mg/kg

30 mg/kg

60 mg/kg

120 mg/kg

ESC+

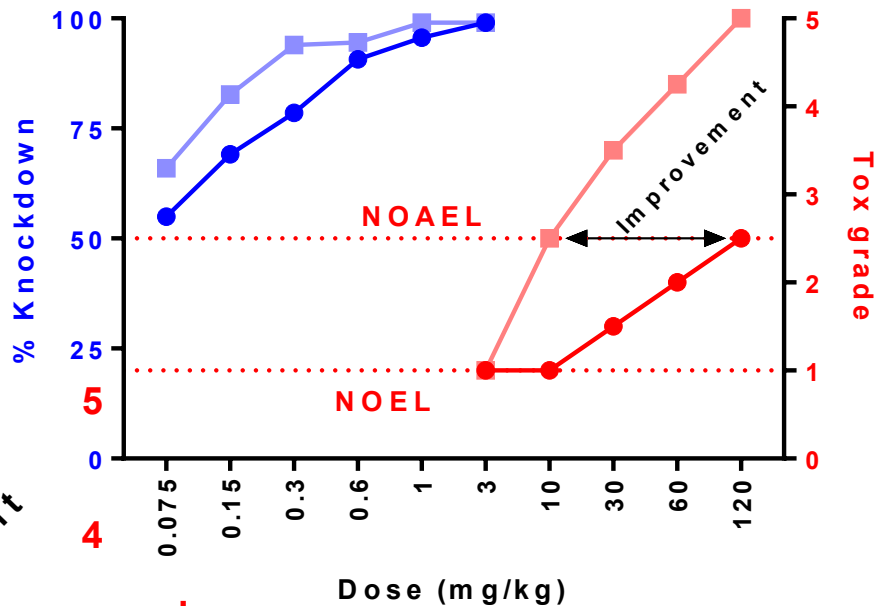


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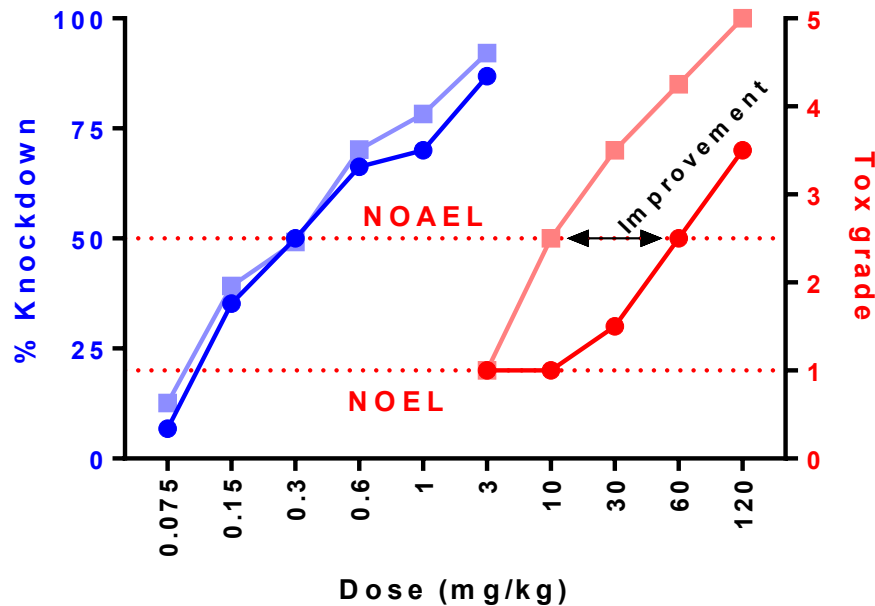
# Therapeutic Index Improved Greater Than 5-fold with ESC+ Conjugates

$$\text{Therapeutic Index} = \frac{\text{NOAEL (qw x 3)}}{\text{ED}_{80}(\text{single dose})}$$

## Sequence 1



## Sequence 2



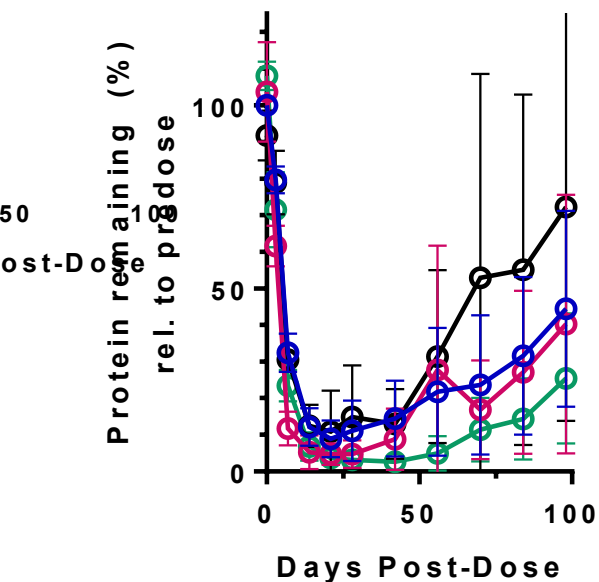
■ ■ ESC  
● ● ESC+

NOEL = No observed effect level  
 NOAEL = No observed adverse effect level

# ESC+ Conjugates Containing GNA Translate to NHP

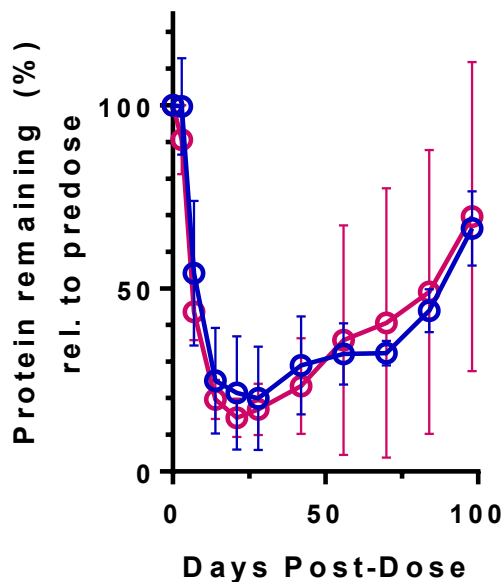
## Seq. 1

- ESC
- AS5-GNA (3 mg/kg)
- AS6-GNA (3 mg/kg)
- AS8-GNA (3 mg/kg)



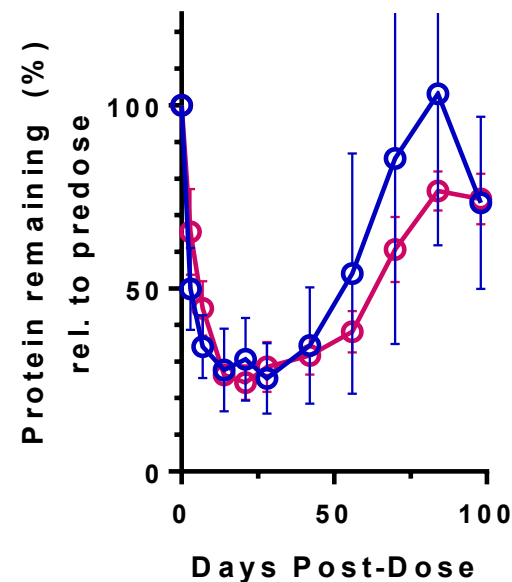
## Seq. 2

- ESC
- AS7-GNA



## Seq. 3

- ESC
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# Summary

- RNAi-mediated off-target effects are important drivers of hepatotoxicity observed for subset of ESC conjugates in rodent toxicity studies
  - No evidence for impact of chemical modifications on observed toxicity
- Developed ESC+ strategy to mitigate seed-mediated off-target effects and improve specificity of siRNA conjugates
  - Utilizes thermally destabilizing modifications, such as glycol nucleic acid (GNA), in the seed region of antisense strand
  - Pharmacodynamics of ESC+ design translates across species
  - Improves *in vitro* and *in vivo* specificity and further expands therapeutic index of conjugates
- Multiple ESC+ conjugates are advancing towards clinical development

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# RNAi Therapeutics for CNS Diseases

## No Current Therapies to Prevent or Reverse Neurodegenerative Disease

- Dominantly inherited neurodegenerative diseases include
  - Alzheimer's disease
  - Parkinson's disease
  - Frontotemporal dementia
  - Huntington's disease
  - Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS)
  - Spinocerebellar ataxia
  - Prion disease
  - Many other orphan genetic diseases with CNS component
- Number of genetically validated targets known but no current disease modifying therapies for these devastating, life threatening disorders
- RNAi therapeutics directed to disease-causing, CNS-expressed genes represent next great frontier
- Expect superior potency, duration and systemic safety profile vs. ASOs



# Alnylam Advancements in Conjugate-Based Delivery

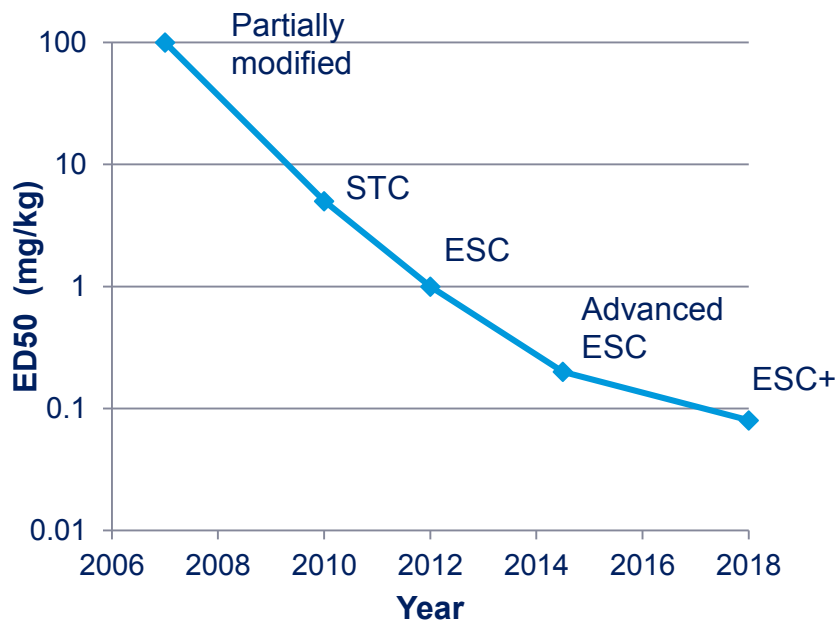


Potency/duration/specificity

Stability, optimal ligand orientation

Efficient delivery to target cells

## Evolution of conjugate potency (mouse, SD ED<sub>50</sub>)



### Therapeutic silencing of an endogenous gene by systemic administration of modified siRNAs

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Multivalent N-Acetylgalactosamine-Conjugated siRNA Localizes in Hepatocytes and Elicits Robust RNAi-Mediated Gene Silencing

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Conjugation of siRNA to an antibody or protein on the N-acetylgalactosamine (GalNAc) moiety of the siRNA to hepatocyte-targeted delivery to hepatocytes. The ligand-derived from GalNAc solid-phase oligonucleotide synthesis conditions, with synthetic yields and standard oligonucleotide. Selection of siRNA-GalNAc conjugates that showed gene silencing in the liver. Chemistry achieved a 5.6 efficacy over the parent design at an effective dose (ED<sub>50</sub>) of 1 mg/kg. This enabled the 30' administration conjugates at therapeutically relevant doses (0.1-10 mg/kg). The results in optimized dose-dependent over 8 months with no adverse effects. Optimally modified siRNA can be sequence- and long-acting and treat a wide range of disease targets.

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RESULTS

Designing to improve the efficacy and stability of siRNA conjugates, we previously described the 1' modification (the previously described)

DISCUSSION

CONCLUSION

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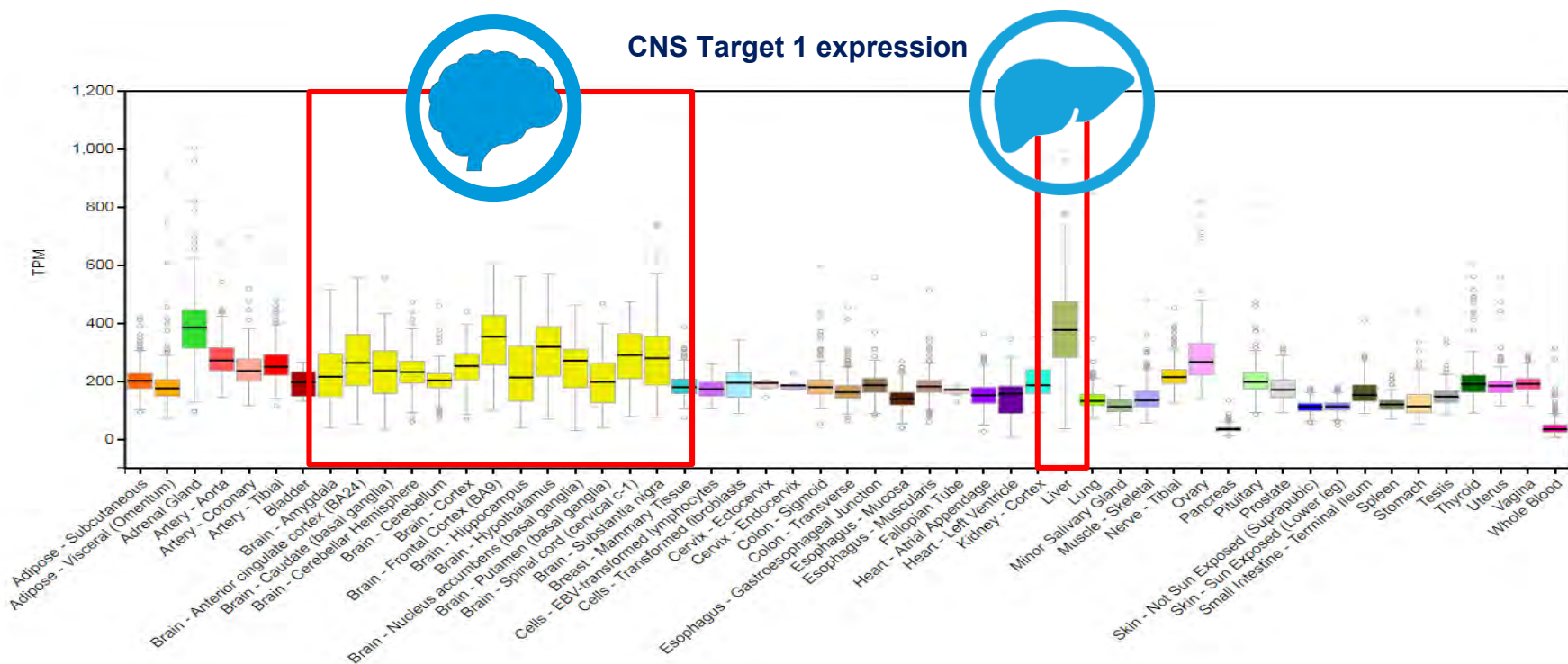
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# CNS Target 1, an Optimal Target for CNS POC

## Target 1 is broadly expressed

- Expressed ubiquitously in CNS and robustly expressed in liver
  - Lead selection can be performed *in vitro* and *in vivo* activity confirmed in liver utilizing GalNAc conjugate chemistry prior to triggering CNS studies



# *In vitro* Results Identify Potent Duplexes for Mouse *in vivo* Study

## *In vitro* efficacy screen

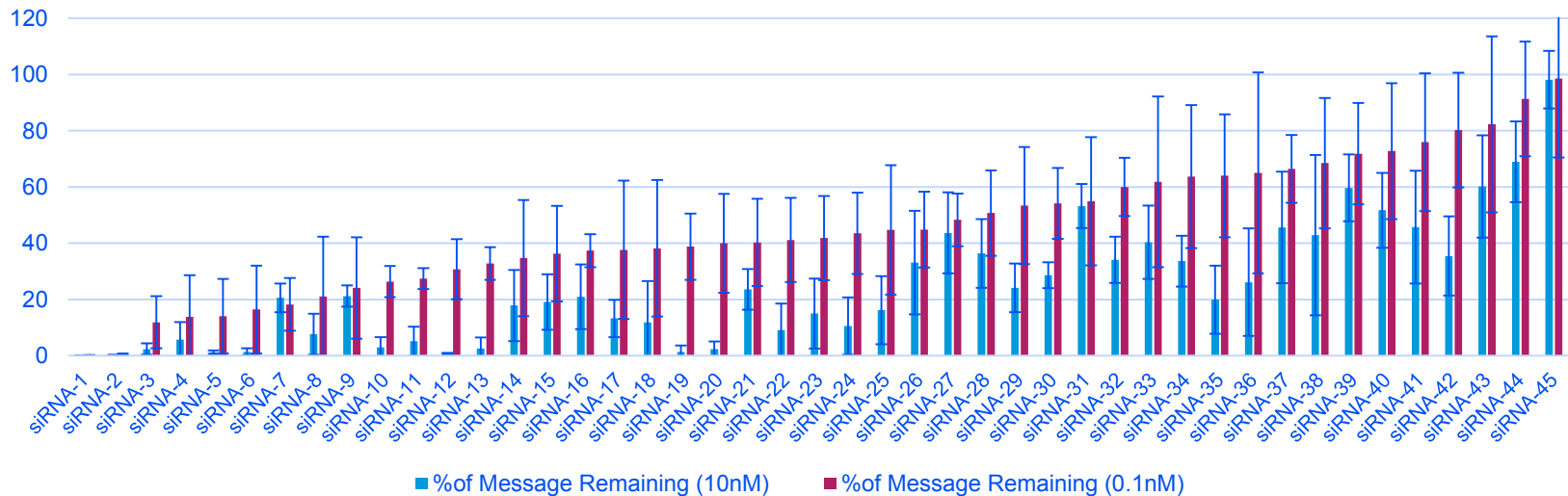
Primary mouse hepatocytes

10 and 0.1 nM

24 hr time point

Assayed by qPCR

## CNS Target 1 efficacy screen



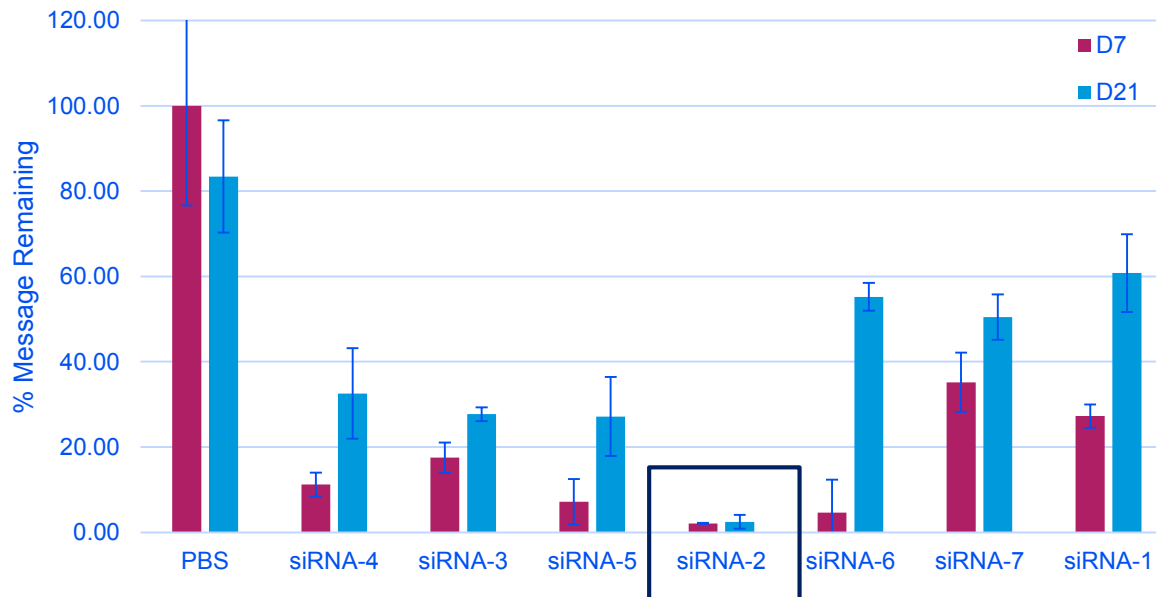
# *In vivo* CNS Target 1 Screen Identifies Potent Candidate for IT Dosing

## *In vivo* potency screen with GalNAc versions

7 duplexes selected for *in vivo* screen (target silencing in liver)

Single 2 mg/kg subcutaneous dose with two time points day 7 and 21

CNS Target 1 Silencing in Liver

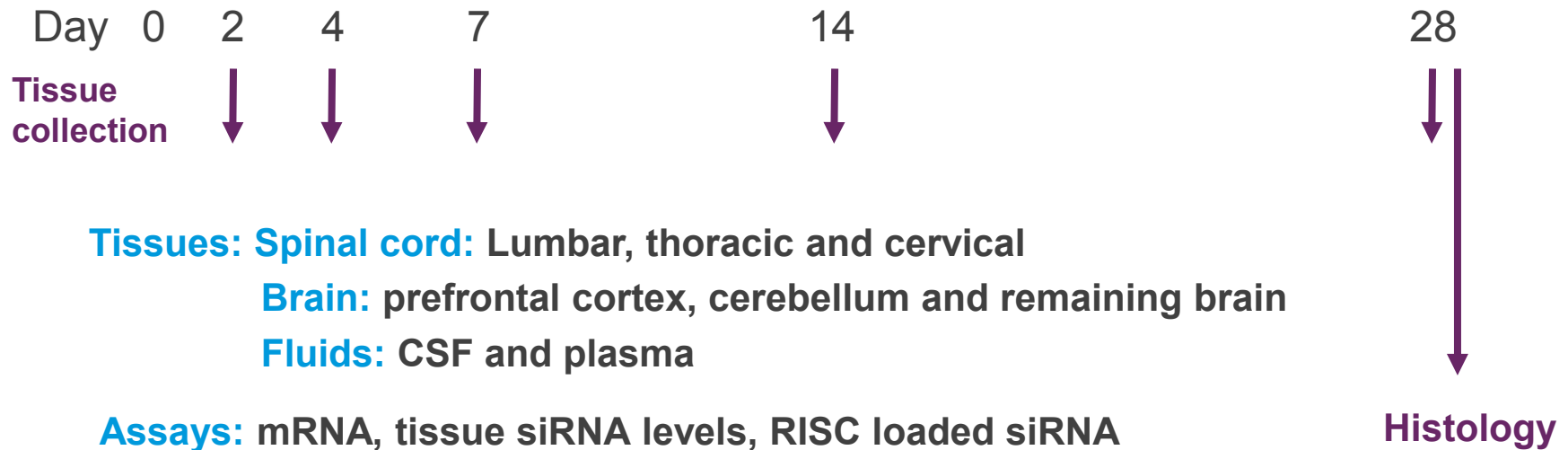




# Intrathecal Delivery of Novel siRNA Conjugates

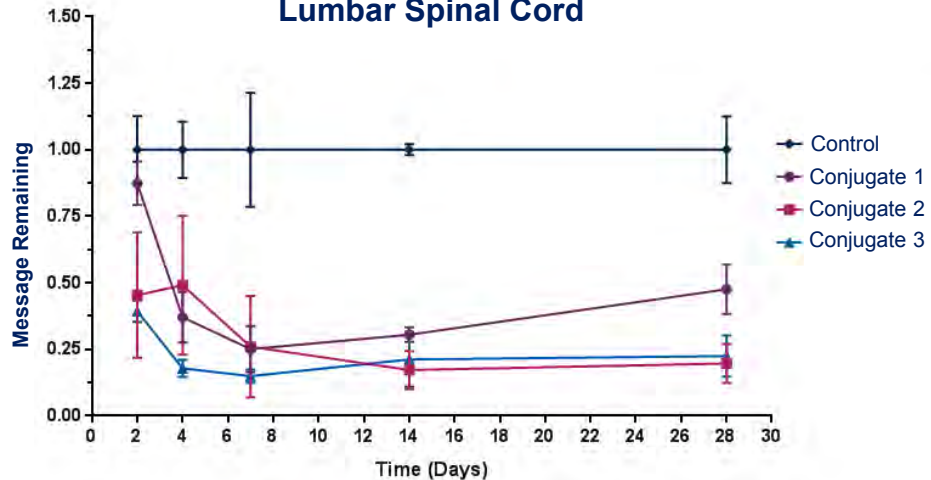
## Single Dose Time Course in Rat

Two targets tested to demonstrate sequence specificity  
siRNA conjugate dose of 0.9 mg

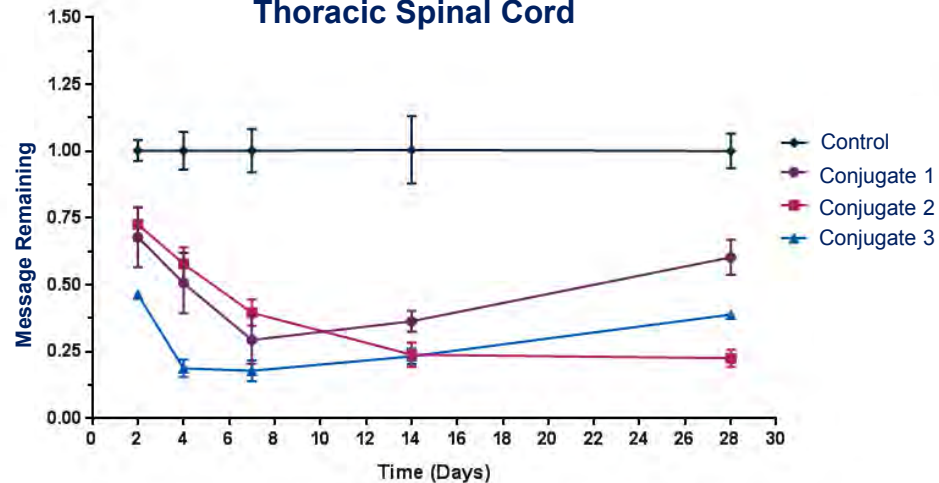


# CNS Target 1 siRNA Shows Significant Target Knockdown Throughout Spinal Cord

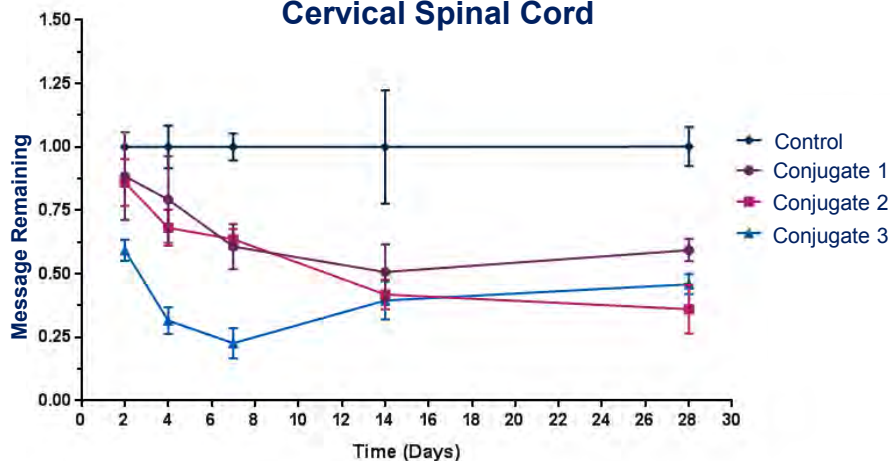
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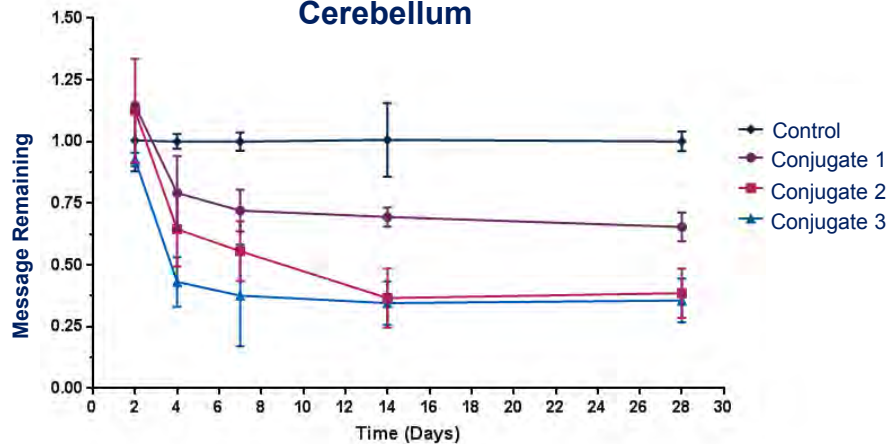


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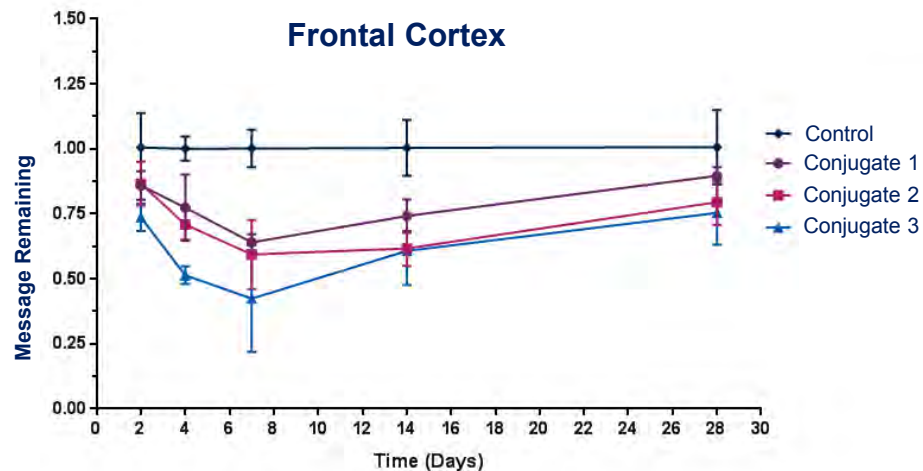


# Differing Degrees of Knockdown Observed Across Brain

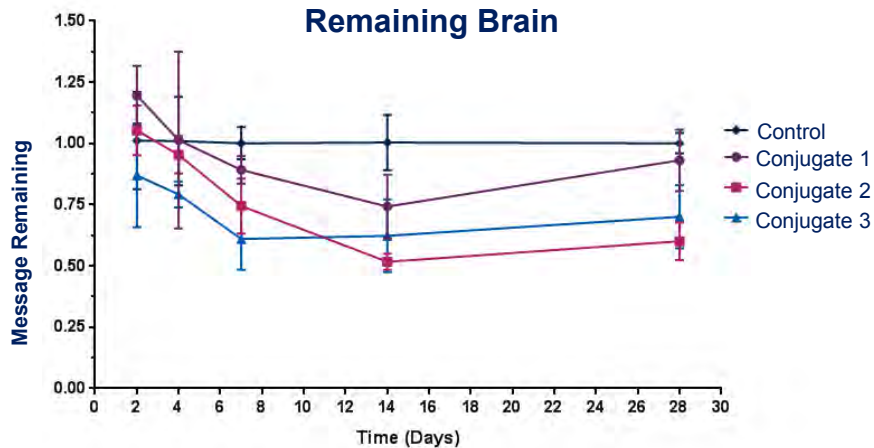
## Cerebellum



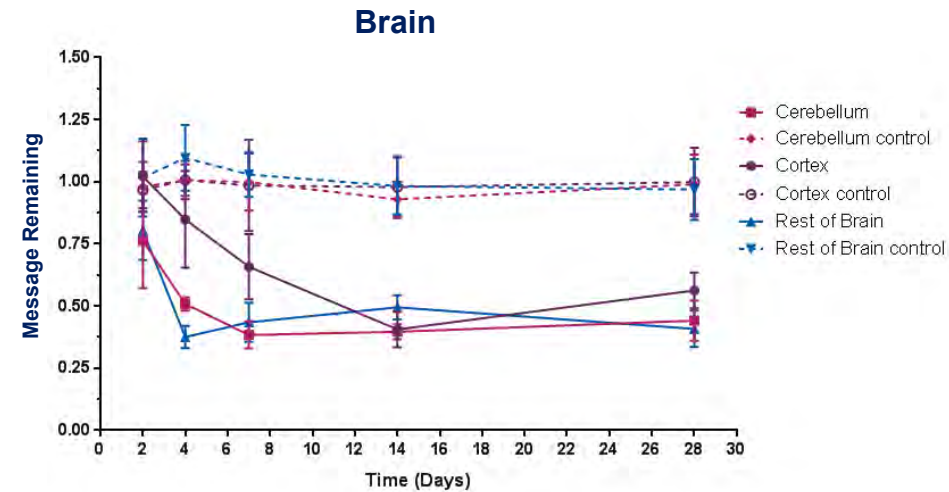
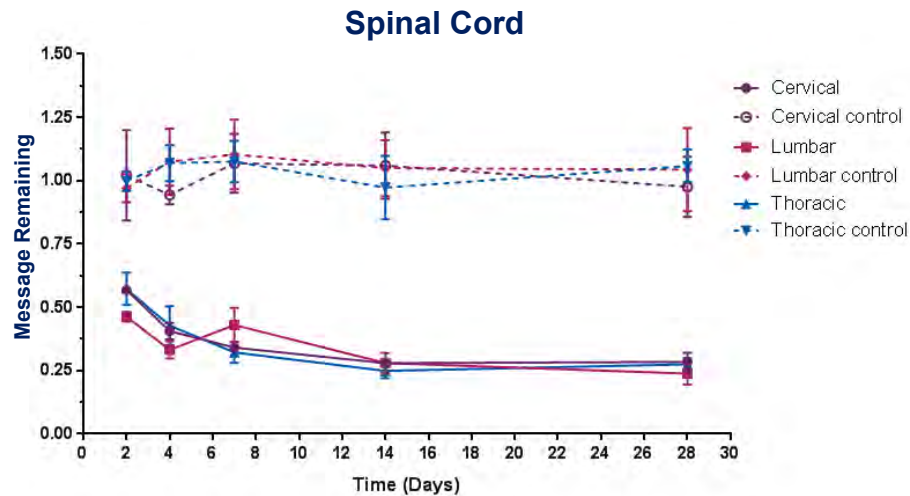
## Frontal Cortex



## Remaining Brain



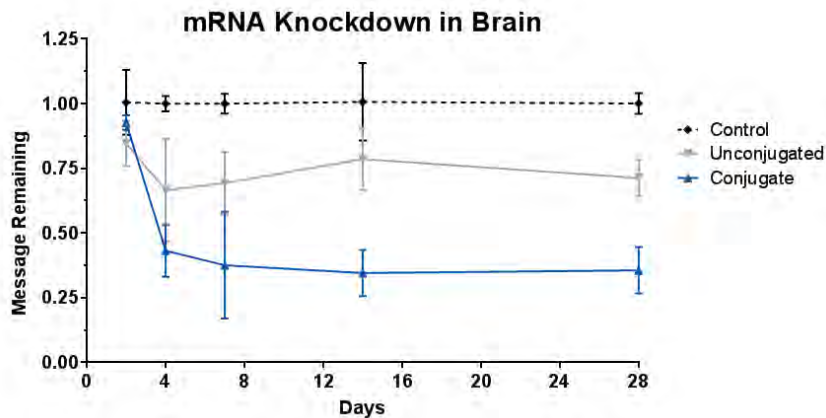
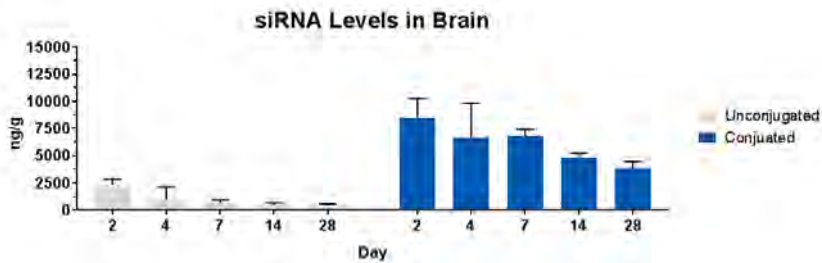
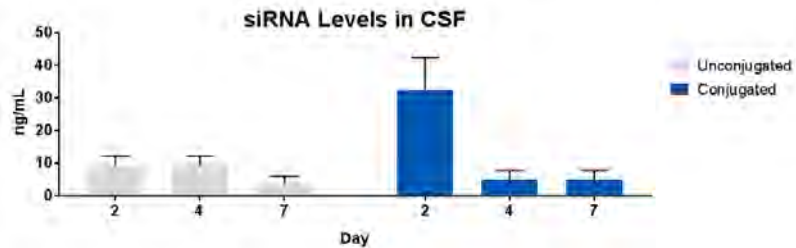
# Potent Silencing Achieved by Second, Independent siRNA Conjugate Across Spinal Cord and Brain



- Significant knockdown observed in spinal cord and brain by a second siRNA conjugate targeting beta-catenin, which is ubiquitously expressed throughout the CNS

# siRNA Conjugates Show Enhanced Uptake and Activity

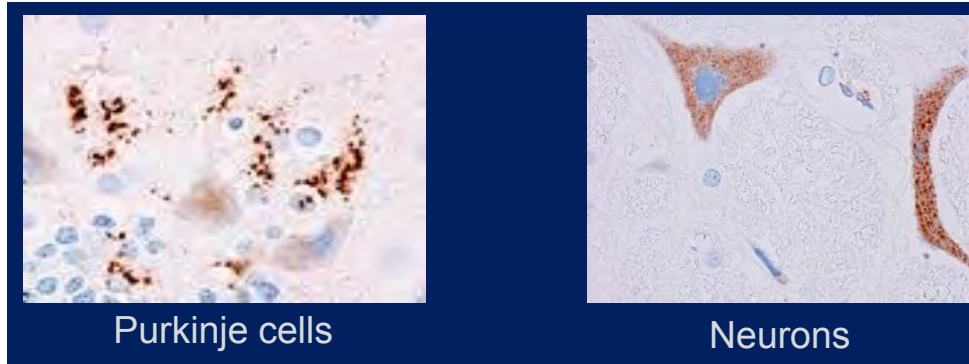
## Higher Drug Levels and Robust Silencing Observed in Brain with siRNA Conjugates



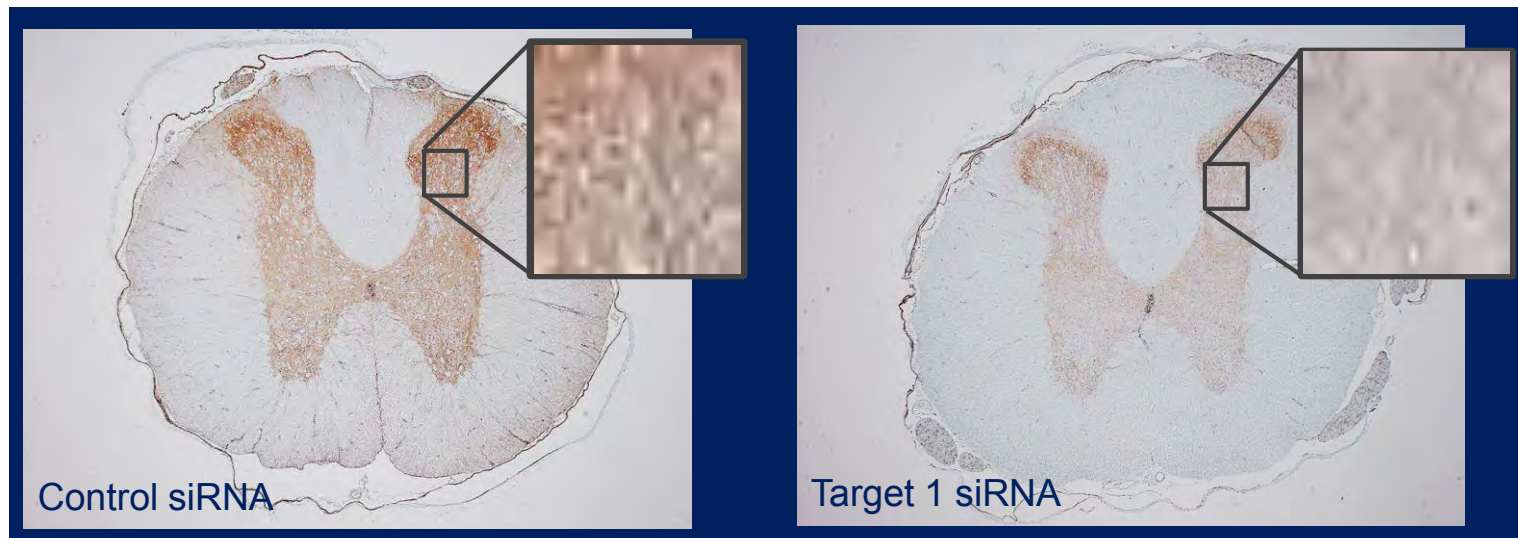
- Rapid siRNA clearance from CSF
- Conjugate reveals superior uptake and stability in brain over unconjugated siRNA
- Increased uptake in brain results in substantial improvement in mRNA knockdown

# CNS Tissue Analysis Confirms Distribution of siRNA and Protein Knockdown

Intraneuronal and Purkinje cell siRNA uptake in spinal cord, cerebellum and brain (Day 28)



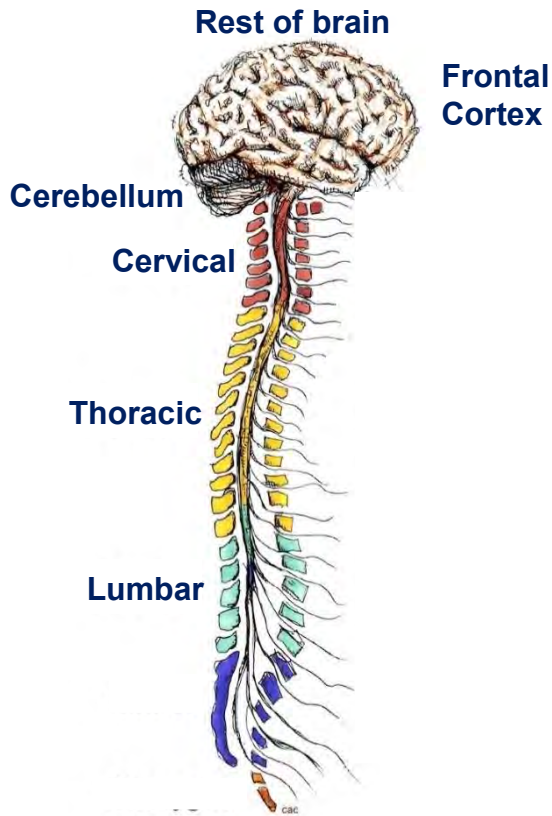
65% protein reduction in spinal cord detected by IHC (Day 28)



Anti-siRNA antibody and anti-Target 1 antibody used to identify cell uptake and activity

# Rat Intrathecal Study Conclusions

## Successful Delivery of siRNA Conjugate Across CNS



- CSF clearance is rapid following IT bolus injection
- Tissue uptake was observed in all CNS tissues examined with drug levels in the low to mid single digit  $\mu\text{g/g}$  range
- Robust, specific and durable silencing of target mRNA observed across the CNS following a single IT administration of siRNA conjugates
  - Silencing extends out through the end of study on Day 28
  - Enhanced tissue uptake and activity observed for siRNA conjugate compared to unconjugated siRNA
- Conjugate administered by IT dosing was well tolerated

# Alnylam CNS Pipeline Strategy

Expanding a Pipeline of Potentially Transformative Medicines



**Genetically validated,  
CNS-expressed  
target gene**

**Biomarker for  
POC in  
Phase 1**

## **Alnylam CNS Objectives**

- 1<sup>st</sup> DC in 2018
- 1<sup>st</sup> IND in late '19/early '20
- 1-2 INDs/yr starting in '20



# Agenda

## Welcome

- Christine Lindenboom, Vice President, Investor Relations & Corporate Communications

## Introduction

- Martin Maier, Ph.D., Vice President, Research

## Platform Advances in RNAi Therapeutics

- **Advances in ESC+ Design for Improved Specificity and Therapeutic Index**
  - Mark Schlegel, Ph.D., Senior Scientist, Research
- **New Frontiers: CNS Delivery Update**
  - Kirk Brown, Ph.D., Associate Director, Bioanalytical Sciences

## Q&A Session

- Moderated by Vasant Jadhav, Ph.D., Senior Director, Research

# Upcoming RNAi Roundtables

## **Givosiran, in Development for the Treatment of Acute Hepatic Porphyrias**

- Tuesday, July 24, 10:00 am ET

## **Lumasiran, in Development for the Treatment of Primary Hyperoxaluria Type 1**

- Wednesday, August 15, 10:30 am ET

## **Patisiran & ALN-TTRsc02, for the Treatment of Transthyretin-Mediated Amyloidosis**

- Tuesday, September 11, time TBD

Additional details for upcoming RNAi Roundtables, including speakers, dates and times, will be provided on the Capella section of the Company's website, [www.alnylam.com/capella](http://www.alnylam.com/capella).



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