

# Interim Phase 1 Part A Results for ALN-APP, the First Investigational RNAi Therapeutic in Development for Alzheimer's Disease

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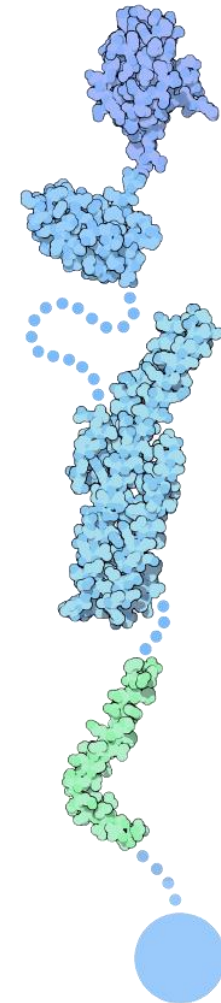
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# Introduction

## Amyloid Precursor Protein (APP) is a Genetically Validated Target for Alzheimer's Disease (AD)

- APP is a membrane-associated protein, which is processed via serial cleavage to produce a variety of peptides, including amyloid beta ( $A\beta$ )<sup>1</sup>
  - $A\beta$  deposits in the brain are a pathological hallmark of AD<sup>1</sup> and cerebral amyloid angiopathy (CAA)<sup>2</sup>
- Genetic alterations that modify APP expression and proteolysis cause early-onset Alzheimer's disease (EOAD)<sup>3</sup>
  - APP locus duplications and trisomy 21 (Down syndrome) result in quantitative increases in APP expression and lead to EOAD
  - Variants in *APP*, *presenilin 1* (*PSEN1*), and *presenilin 2* (*PSEN2*) alter APP proteolysis and can lead to autosomal-dominant Alzheimer's disease (ADAD)
  - *APP* A673T variants reduce  $A\beta$  production and lower  $A\beta$  levels, protecting against AD<sup>4,5</sup>



$A\beta$ , amyloid beta; AD, Alzheimer's disease; ADAD, autosomal-dominant Alzheimer's disease; APP, amyloid precursor protein; CAA, cerebral amyloid angiopathy; EOAD, early-onset Alzheimer's disease; *PSEN1*, presenilin; *PSEN2*, presenilin 2.

Image: APP Protein Structure courtesy of David S. Goodsell and the RCSB Protein Data Bank.

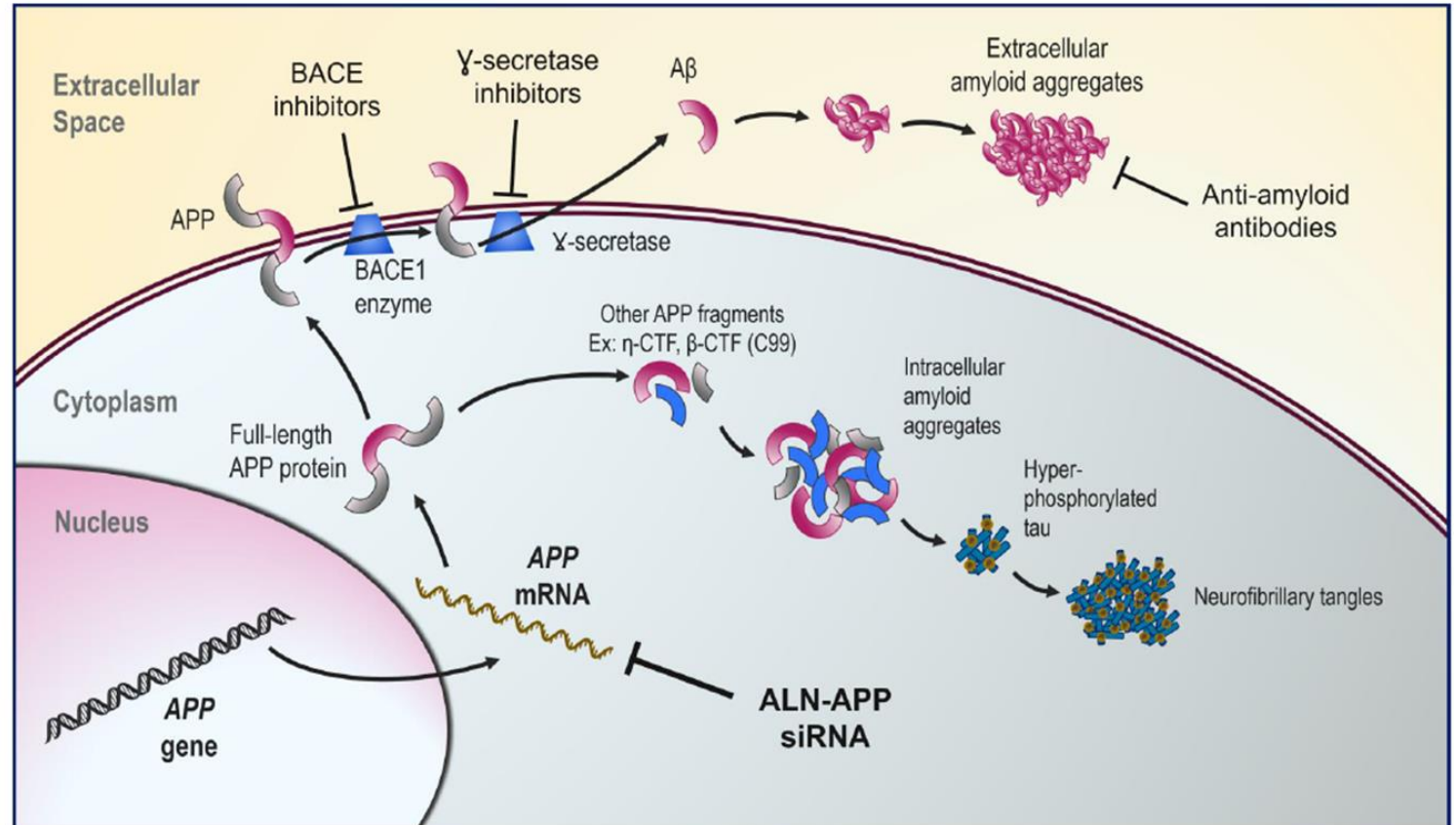
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# ALN-APP, an Investigational RNAi Therapeutic for Patients with AD

## Therapeutic Hypothesis

- ALN-APP is an intrathecally (IT) administered, investigational RNAi therapeutic in development for the treatment of AD and CAA
- siRNA is conjugated to 2'-O-hexadecyl (C16) to enhance cellular uptake in the CNS
  - Incorporated into the RISC that binds and cleaves *APP* mRNA
- ALN-APP reduces production of APP, which is the source of all downstream A $\beta$  protein species, including A $\beta$ 40 and A $\beta$ 42
  - Reduces substrate for brain amyloid deposition and may enable natural clearance
  - Reduces intracellular A $\beta$  and may reduce neuronal dysfunction





# ALN-APP-001 Study Design

## Part A, Randomized, Placebo-Controlled, Single-Ascending Dose Study

### Patient Population

- Symptom onset <65 years (i.e., EOAD)
- Clinical diagnosis of MCI or mild dementia due to AD
- AD diagnosis confirmed by CSF biomarkers or A $\beta$ -PET
- Clinical Dementia Rating<sup>®</sup> global score of 0.5 or 1.0
- Mini-Mental State Examination (MMSE) score >20

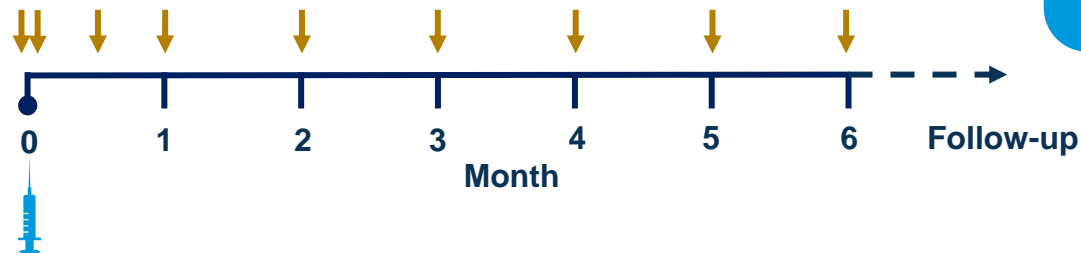
### Key

-  = ALN-APP or placebo
-  = planned lumbar puncture

Cohort 1: ALN-APP 25mg IT (2:1 Randomization, n=6)

Cohort 2: ALN-APP 75mg IT (2:1 Randomization, n=6)

Cohort 3 ALN-APP 50mg IT (3:1 Randomization, n=8)



### Primary Endpoint

- Safety and tolerability

### Secondary Endpoints

- Change from baseline in CSF sAPP $\alpha$  and sAPP $\beta$
- PK profile in CSF, plasma

- Additional cohorts are being studied in Part A
- Initiation of Part B, multi-dose open-label study imminent

# Demographic and Baseline Disease Characteristics

## Pooled Data for Cohorts 1–3<sup>a</sup>

Baseline Characteristics	All Patients (N=20)
Age, years, mean (range)	61.3 (53–73)
Male, n (%)	12 (60.0)
Race, n (%)	
White	15 (75.0)
Asian	3 (15.0)
Black/African American	1 (5.0)
CDR <sup>®</sup> global score, n (%)	
0.5	16 (80.0)
1.0	4 (20.0)
MMSE score, mean (SD)	23.6 (2.4)
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup> , mean (SD)	25.9 (3.5)
Duration in study, months, mean (SD)	
Cohort 1 (ALN-APP 25mg or Placebo, n=6)	8.2 (2.0)
Cohort 2 (ALN-APP 75mg or Placebo, n=6)	7.1 (1.2)
Cohort 3 (ALN-APP 50mg or Placebo, n=8)	4.2 (0.6)

BMI, body mass index; CDR, clinical dementia rating; MMSE, Mini Mental State Examination; SD, standard deviation.

<sup>a</sup>Data shown as of June 29, 2023.

# ALN-APP-001 Blinded Safety Summary

## Pooled Adverse Event (AE) Summary for Cohorts 1–3<sup>a</sup>

n (%)	ALN-APP 25mg or PBO (N=6, PY=4.1)	ALN-APP 50mg or PBO (N=8, PY=2.8)	ALN-APP 75mg or PBO (N=6, PY=3.6)
At least one mild AE	5 (83.3)	6 (75.0)	4 (66.7)
At least one moderate AE	4 (66.7)	4 (50.0)	3 (50.0)
At least one serious AE	0	0	0
Death	0	0	0
At least one AE related to LP	4 (66.7)	6 (75.0)	2 (33.3)

- All AEs were mild or moderate in severity
- No deaths, SUSARs, or treatment or study discontinuations occurred
- One individual in the 50mg or PBO cohort had two mild AEs that were deemed drug-related by the investigator and included post-LP headache and post-LP nausea, both of which resolved on the same day

# ALN-APP-001 Blinded Safety Summary

## Pooled Adverse Events (AEs) by Preferred Term for Cohorts 1–3<sup>a</sup>

n (%) of events occurring in ≥2 study patients	ALN-APP 25mg or PBO (N=6, PY=4.1)	ALN-APP 50mg or PBO (N=8, PY=2.8)	ALN-APP 75mg or PBO (N=6, PY=3.6)
At least one adverse event	6 (100.0)	7 (87.5)	5 (83.3)
Post lumbar puncture syndrome	3 (50.0)	5 (62.5)	0
Back pain	2 (33.3)	1 (12.5)	1 (16.7)
Presyncope	0	1 (12.5)	2 (33.3)
Syncope	2 (33.3)	0	1 (16.7)
Headache	0	1 (12.5)	1 (16.7)
Nasopharyngitis	0	0	2 (33.3)
Vomiting	2 (33.3)	0	0

- Many AEs reported to date have been deemed related to LP by the investigator
  - These included post LP syndrome (40% of patients), back pain (15%), vomiting (10%), injection site swelling (5%), neck pain (5%), presyncope (5%), procedural nausea (5%), puncture site pain, (5%) and syncope (5%)

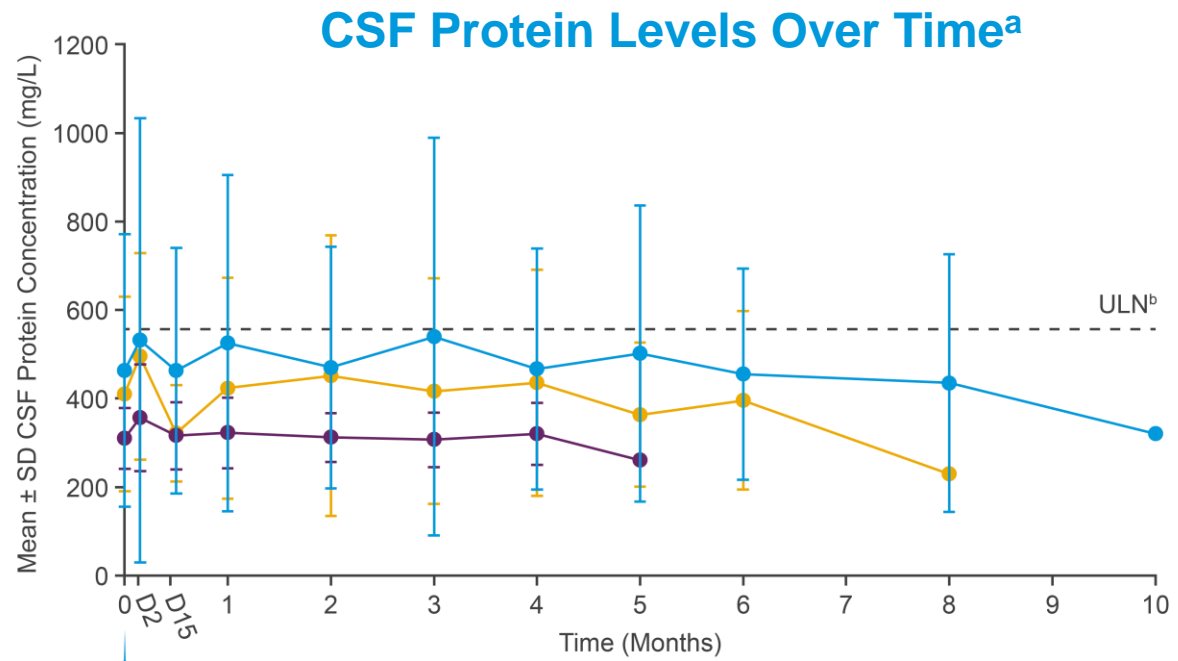
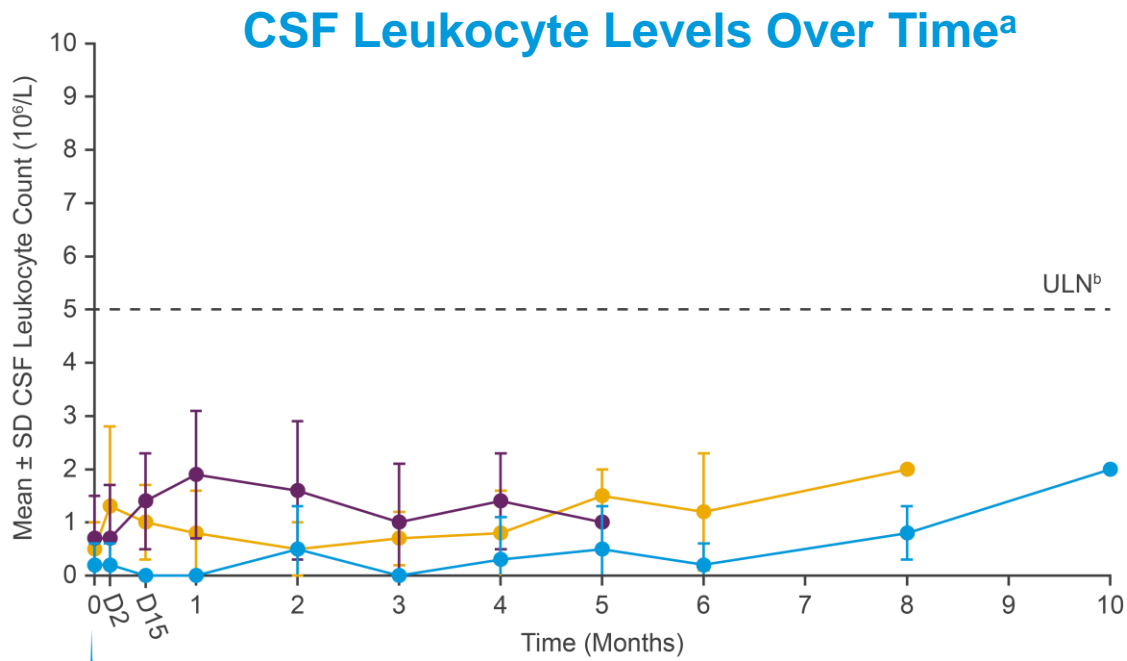
AE, adverse event; LP, lumbar puncture; PBO, placebo; PY, patient years.

<sup>a</sup>Data shown as of June 29, 2023.



# ALN-APP CSF Safety Labs

- CSF white blood cell levels for all patients remained within the reference range for healthy individuals
- No remarkable elevations from baseline were observed for CSF protein levels
- Routine lab assessments (hematology, serum chemistry, liver function, urinalysis, coagulation) as well as preliminary data for the exploratory biomarker neurofilament light chain (NfL) do not reveal significant abnormalities



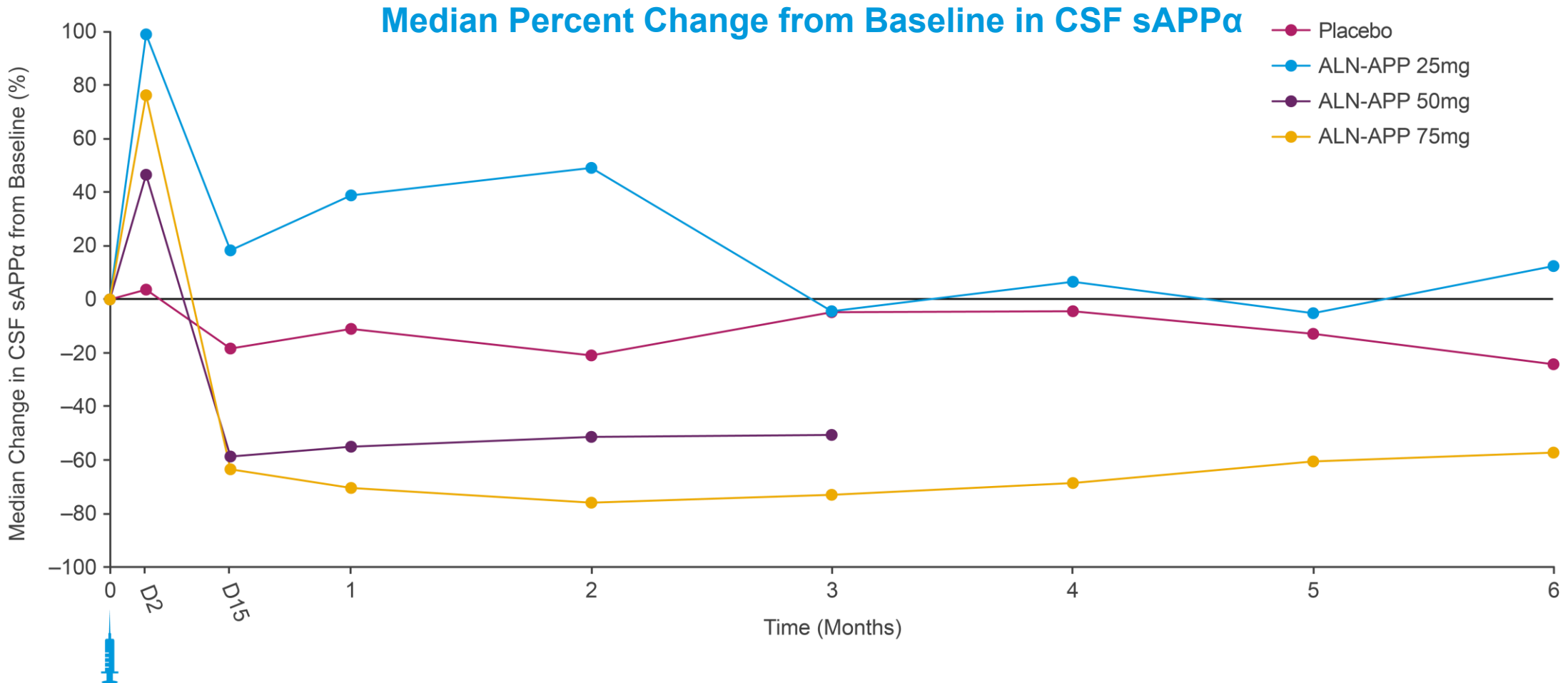
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CSF, cerebrospinal fluid, D, day; NFL, neurofilament light chain; SD, standard deviation; ULN, upper limit of normal.

<sup>a</sup>Data shown as of June 29, 2023. <sup>b</sup>Reference lines based on average upper limit of normal for healthy individuals across the five central labs used for assessment: CSF leukocytes =  $5 \times 10^6/L$ ; CSF protein = 552 mg/L.

# Rapid and Sustained Reductions in CSF sAPP $\alpha$

- Peak mean ( $\pm$ SEM) reduction in sAPP $\alpha$  was 69% ( $\pm$ 9.6) for 75 mg dose occurring at Month 2, with a maximum reduction of 84% observed
- Reduction in sAPP $\alpha$  was sustained, with a 56% ( $\pm$ 7.5) mean reduction 6 months after a single 75mg dose

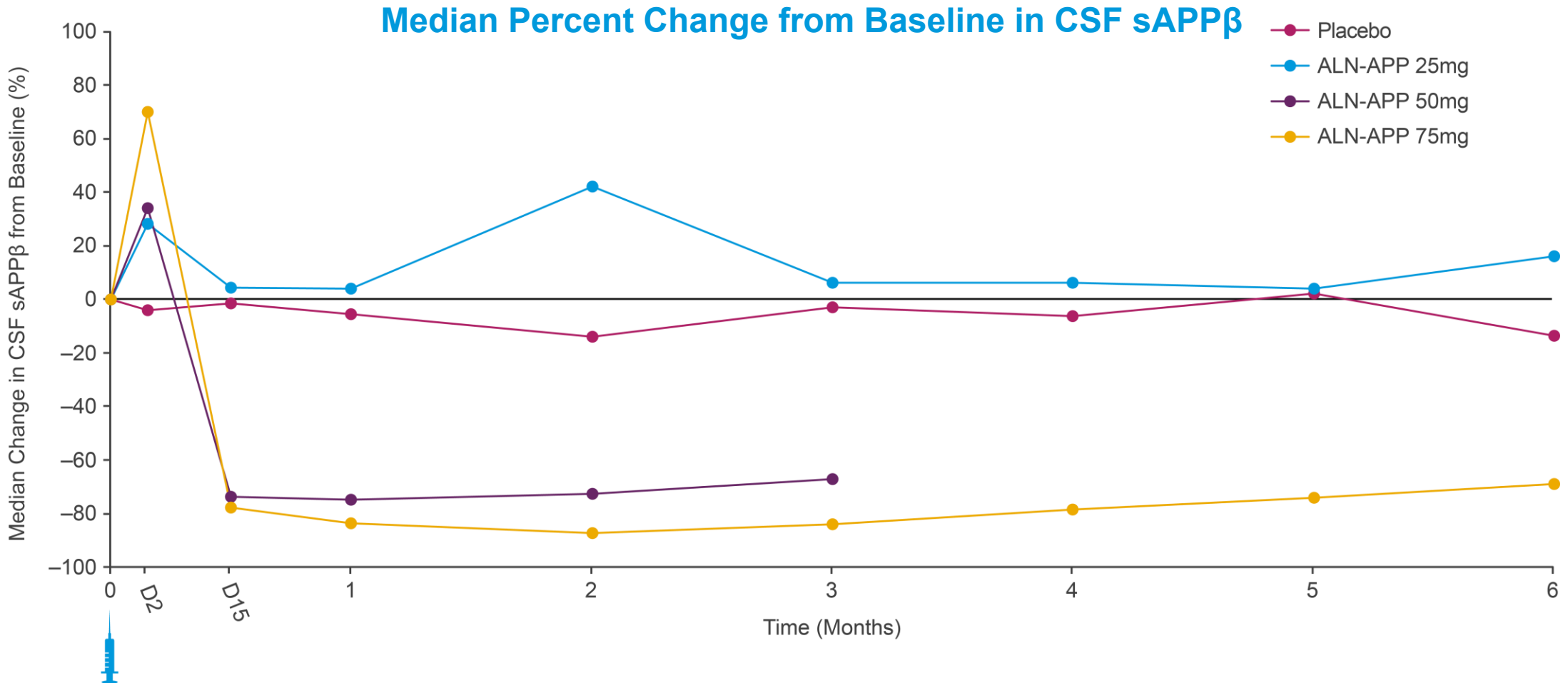


CSF, cerebrospinal fluid; D, Day; sAPP, soluble amyloid precursor protein; SEM, standard error of the mean.

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# Rapid and Sustained Reductions in CSF sAPP $\beta$

- Peak mean ( $\pm$ SEM) reduction in sAPP $\beta$  was 82% ( $\pm$ 6.3) for 75 mg dose occurring at Month 2, with a maximum reduction of 90% observed
- Reduction in sAPP $\beta$  was sustained, with a 65% ( $\pm$ 9.2) mean reduction 6 months after a single 75mg dose



CSF, cerebrospinal fluid; D, Day; sAPP, soluble amyloid precursor protein; SEM, standard error of the mean.

<sup>a</sup>Data shown as of June 29, 2023.

# Interim ALN-APP-001 Summary

- ALN-APP is an intrathecally administered, investigational RNAi therapeutic targeting APP, in development for the treatment of AD and CAA
- In this Phase 1 study in patients with EOAD, rapid and sustained reductions in sAPP $\alpha$  and sAPP $\beta$  were observed following a single dose of ALN-APP
  - Peak mean ( $\pm$ SEM) reduction in sAPP $\beta$  was 82% ( $\pm$ 6.3) for 75 mg dose occurring at Month 2, with maximum reduction of 90% observed
  - >65% mean reduction in sAPP $\beta$  was sustained for 6 months following 75 mg dose
- ALN-APP was generally well tolerated, with all AEs mild or moderate in severity and the most common being related to LP
- These interim results support further evaluation of ALN-APP in patients with AD and CAA

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