

# ALN-HTT02, a Novel C16-siRNA Conjugate for HTT-lowering in the CNS

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## ALN-HTT02

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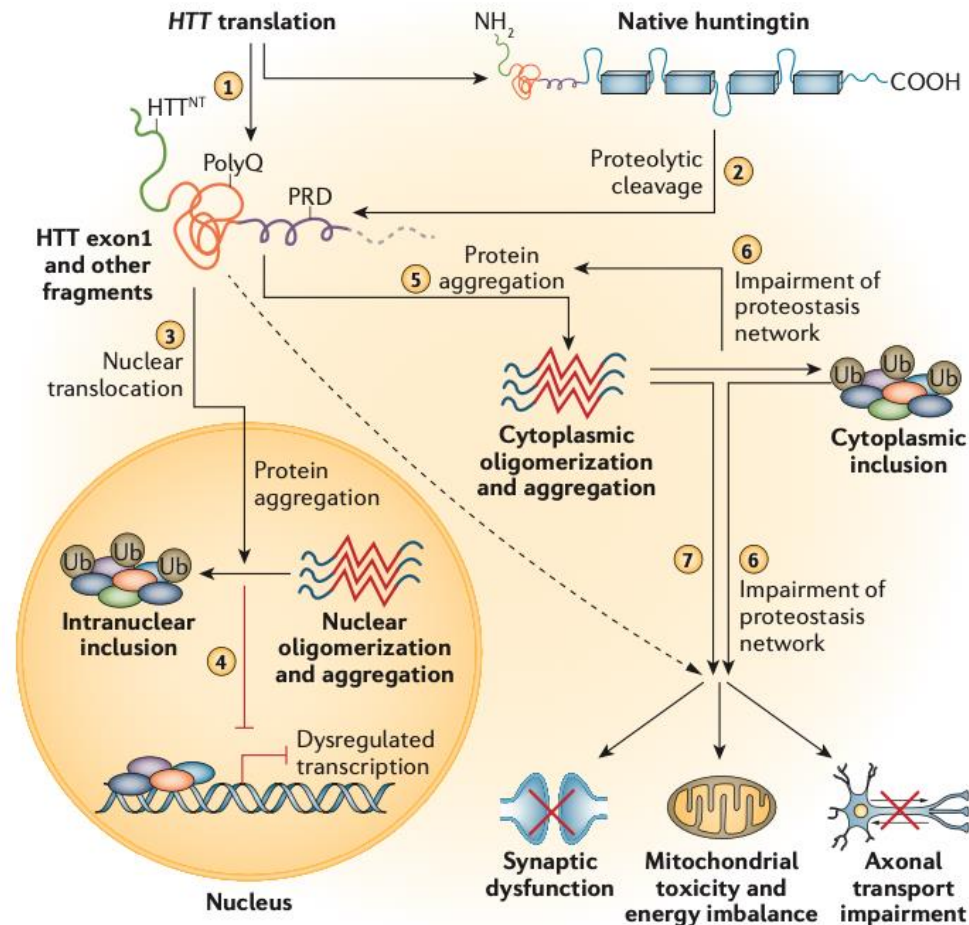
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# HTT is a Genetically Validated Target for Huntington's Disease<sup>1</sup>

No approved disease-modifying treatments exist, reflecting a critical unmet need<sup>2</sup>



- **Huntington's disease (HD) is progressive and fatal, driven by mutant huntingtin (HTT)<sup>1,3</sup>**
  - Toxic, broadly disruptive gain of function
  - CAG repeat expansion; somatic instability
  - Protein aggregation
  - Widespread neurodegeneration
- **Both full-length mutant HTT and shorter exon 1 splice isoforms likely contribute to disease pathology<sup>2</sup>**
- **Investigative HTT-lowering approaches may offer potential to alter the course of HD progression<sup>1,4</sup>**
  - Safety and extent of achievable clinical benefit have yet to be elucidated
  - Early efforts limited by therapeutic platform challenges
  - Current efforts involve contemporary platforms and aim to refine who/when to treat

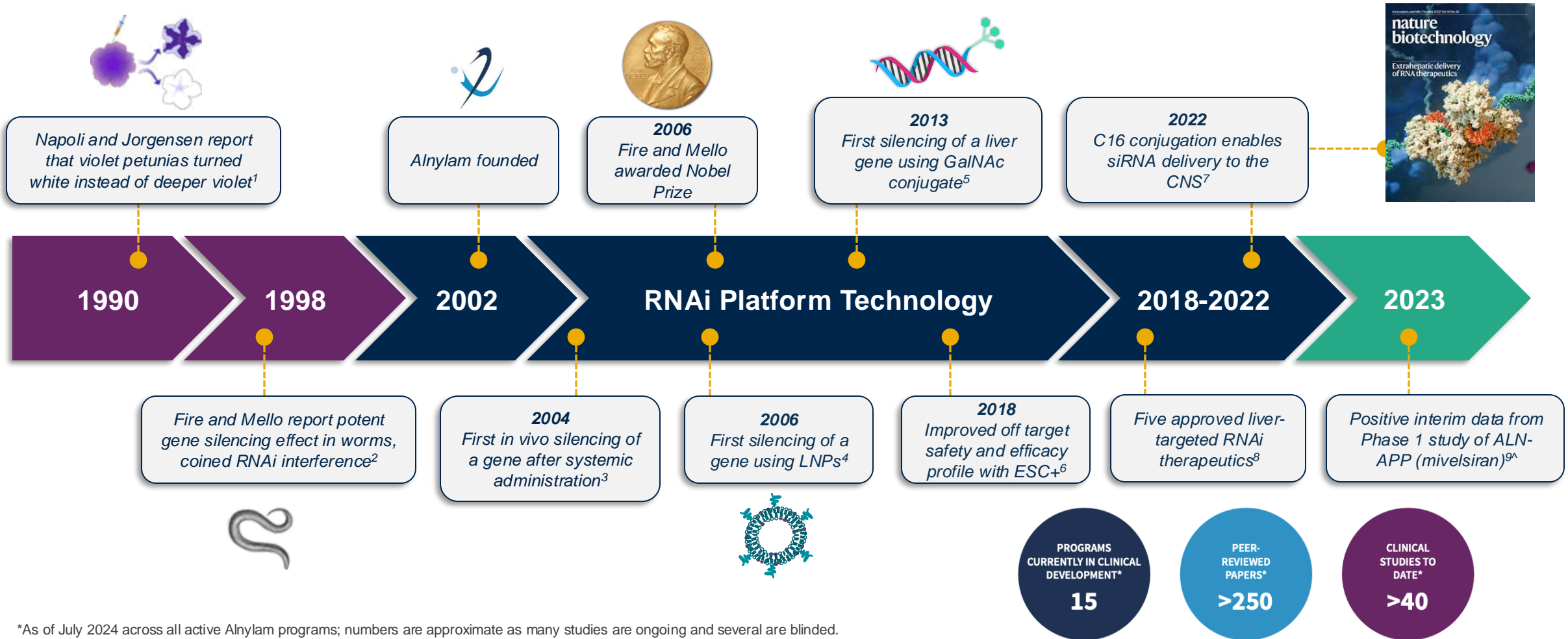
Figure: Bates GP, et al. Huntington disease. *Nat Rev Dis Primers*. 2015. Springer Nature. <https://www.nature.com/articles/nrdp20155>. Reprinted with permission from Springer Nature.

CAG, cytosine-adenine-guanine; HD, Huntington's disease; HTT, huntingtin.

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# Anylam has Pioneered Development of RNAi Therapeutics

Over 20 years of platform learning & optimization



\*As of July 2024 across all active Anylam programs; numbers are approximate as many studies are ongoing and several are blinded.

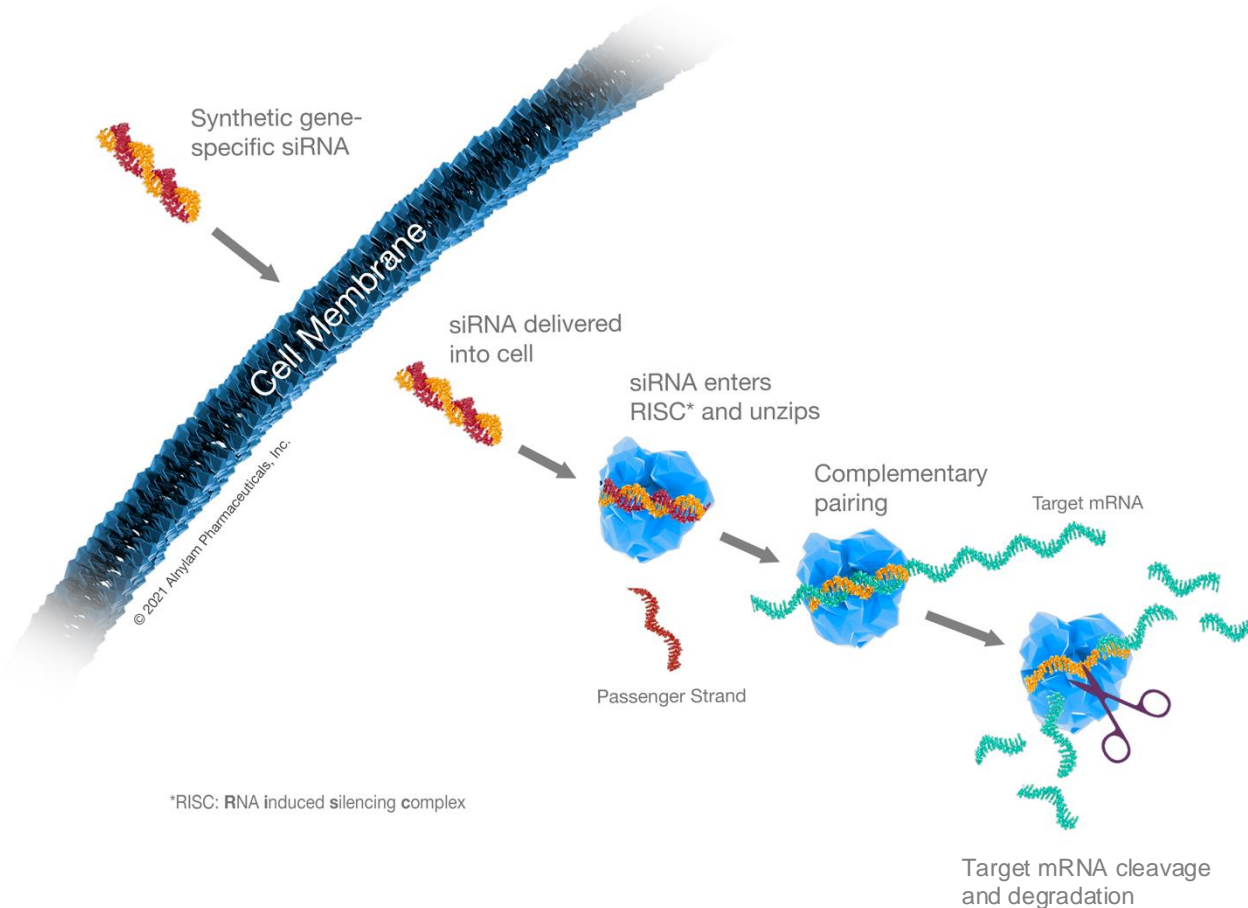
^Mivelsiran is an investigational drug being studied for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease and cerebral amyloid angiopathy.

C16, 2'-O-hexadecyl; CNS, central nervous system; ESC+, enhanced stabilization chemistry plus; GalNAc, N-acetylgalactosamine; LNP, lipid nanoparticle; RNAi, RNA interference; siRNA, small interfering RNA.

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# RNA Interference Mechanism of Action

Harnesses an endogenous process to lower expression of disease-associated target proteins



- RNAi is a **natural biological process** to regulate gene expression<sup>1</sup>
- Synthetic small interfering RNAs (siRNAs) designed to **specifically degrade mRNA** encoding a disease-associated protein<sup>1</sup>
- RNAi works **catalytically**, repeatedly reducing target protein expression while leaving DNA intact<sup>1</sup>
- To date, RNAi-based therapeutics have demonstrated **potent and durable efficacy**, supporting infrequent dosing regimens, with **acceptable safety profiles**<sup>2,3</sup>
- siRNAs are a unique class of genetic medicine; **distinct from antisense oligonucleotides**<sup>1</sup>

mRNA, messenger RNA; RNAi, RNA interference; siRNA, small interfering RNA.

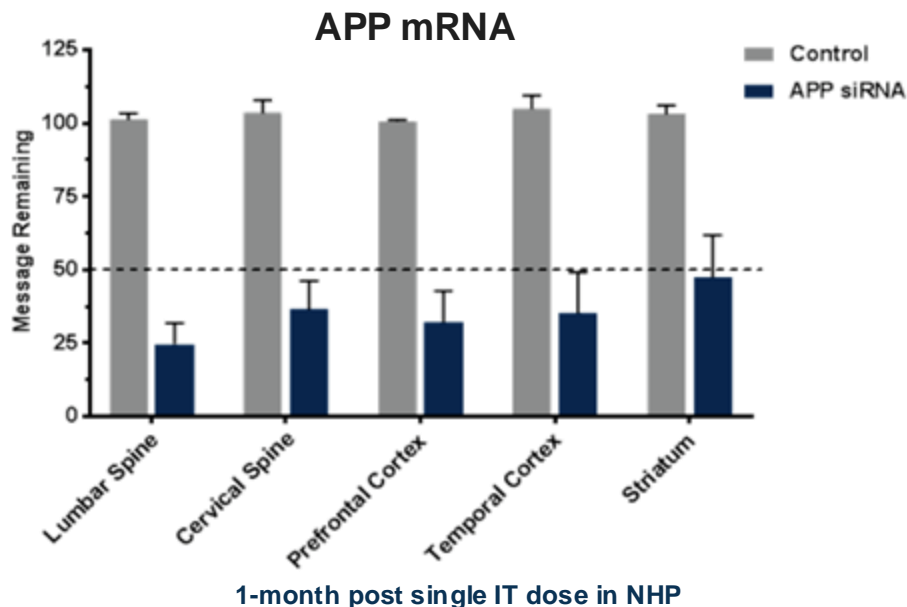
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# First Translation of RNAi in the CNS

Preclinical and Phase 1 data of C16-siRNA demonstrate robust lowering of target protein expression with encouraging safety in Alzheimer's disease

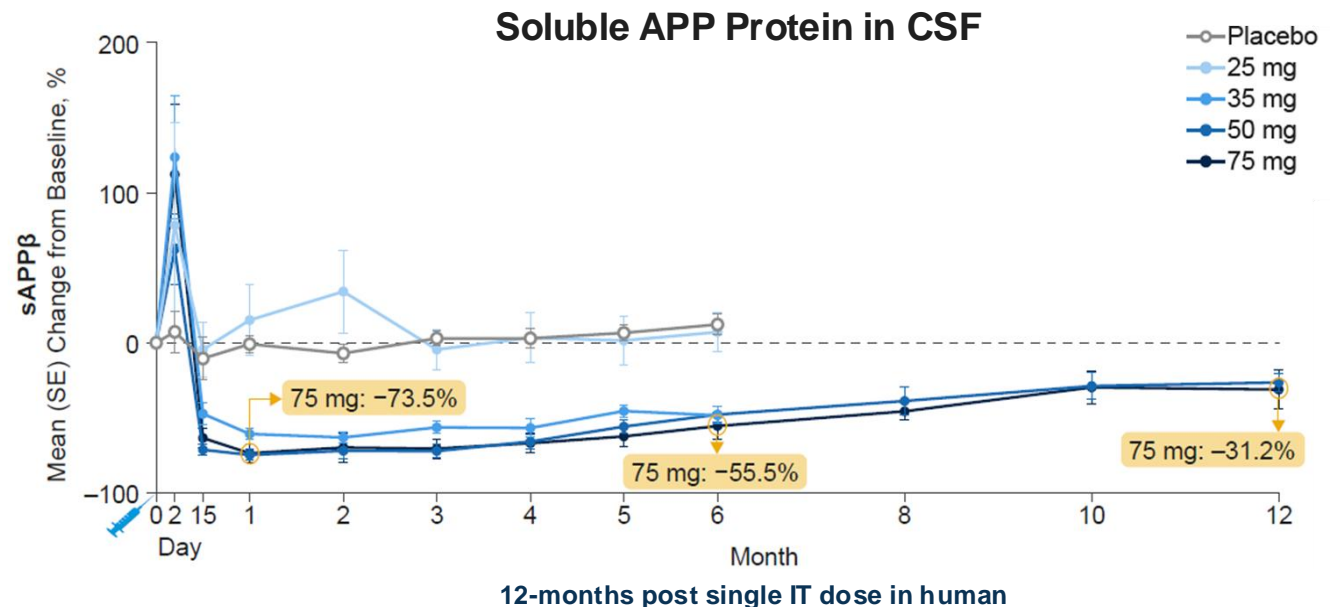
## Preclinical Results with APP-lowering siRNA<sup>1,2</sup>

- IT dosing of siRNA enables delivery to the CNS
- C16 conjugation enables widespread siRNA distribution and durable target engagement



## Interim Phase 1 SAD Results of Mivelsiran in Early-Onset AD<sup>3</sup>

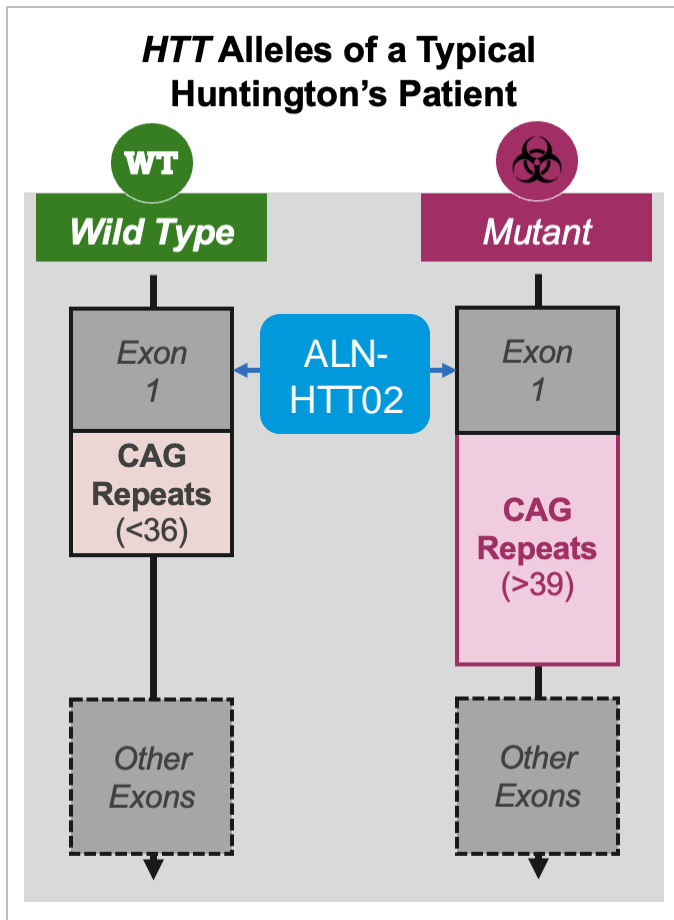
- Rapid, robust reductions in target protein levels observed through Month 12
- Majority of AEs are mild or moderate and nonserious
- CSF safety biomarkers, routine lab assessments, and exploratory NfL data all show no significant abnormalities



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# ALN-HTT02 is an Investigational RNAi Therapeutic Designed to Reduce HTT Protein Expression in the CNS

## Leveraging a Clinically-Validated C16-siRNA Delivery Platform



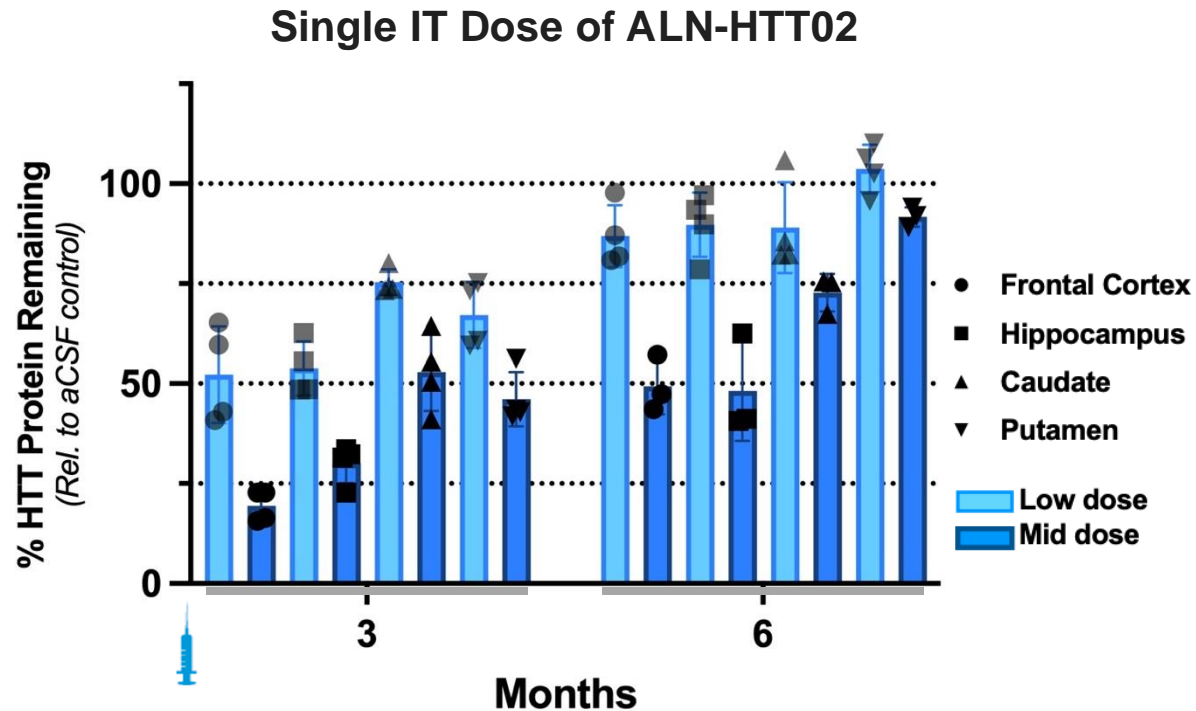
### Therapeutic hypothesis

- ALN-HTT02 targets a conserved mRNA sequence within exon 1
- Designed to reduce expression of **all** HTT protein species
  - mHTT (full-length), mHTT (exon 1), wtHTT
- By reducing all forms of mHTT protein containing expanded polyglutamine tracts, ALN-HTT02 has the potential to limit toxic gain of function activities and alter the course of HD progression

# Single Dose of ALN-HTT02 Demonstrates Broad CNS Distribution and Durable HTT-Lowering in NHP<sup>1</sup>

## PK/PD Profile Consistent with Prior RNAi Experience in the CNS

- Observations following a **single dose** of ALN-HTT02:

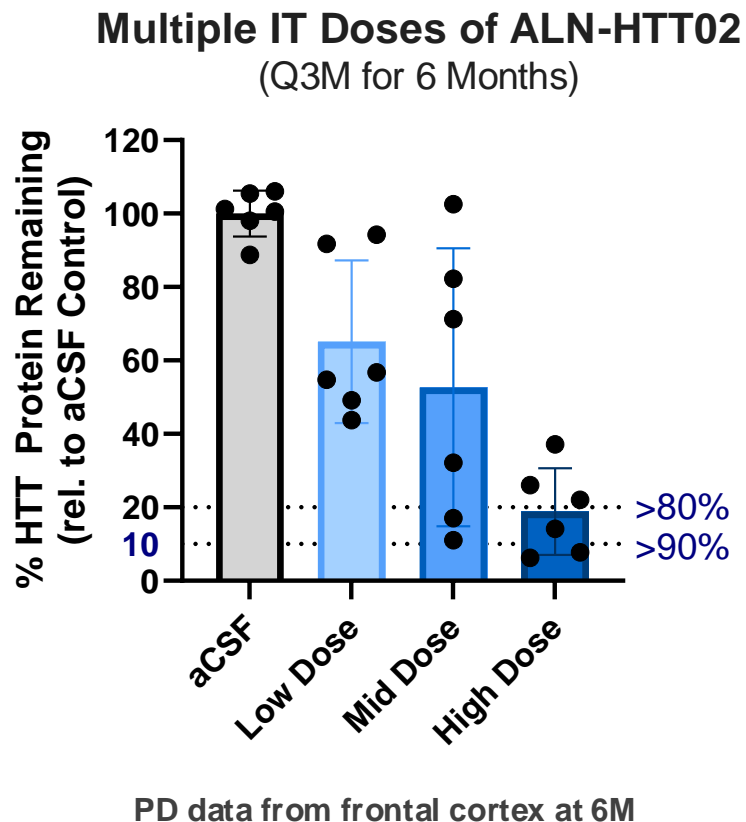


- **Widespread distribution** across CNS regions
- **Durable** HTT-lowering, supporting infrequent dosing in the clinic
- **Encouraging safety profile through 6 months**
  - No in-life neurological abnormalities
  - No elevations in CSF NfL
  - No elevations in CSF total protein



# HTT-Lowering via Multiple Doses of ALN-HTT02 is Well Tolerated in NHP<sup>1</sup>

## Safety Profile Supports Continued Development



- Observations following **multiple doses** of ALN-HTT02 at 3 dose levels:
  - **Encouraging safety profile through 6 months**
    - No in-life neurological abnormalities
    - No adverse CSF parameter changes
    - No adverse microscopic findings
  - ALN-HTT02 has been evaluated in 4 independent NHP studies to date
    - **No adverse findings, even after deep HTT-lowering (>90%)**

See Poster #1003 (Cantley et al.)  
*Tolerability of HTT-Lowering: Learnings from NHP*

# A Phase 1b Study of ALN-HTT02 in Adult Patients with HD

Placebo-controlled single ascending dose study evaluating safety, tolerability, and PK/PD<sup>1</sup>

## Study population

- Age 25 to 70 years with >39 CAG repeats
- HD-ISS Stage 2 or early Stage 3

## Endpoints

### Primary endpoint

- Safety and tolerability

### Secondary endpoints

- PK: CSF and plasma profile of ALN-HTT02
- PD: Change in mHTT levels in CSF

### Exploratory endpoints

- Clinical, imaging and biomarker measures of disease progression and safety

Dose (Administered IT)	Randomization	Single Ascending Dose <sup>1</sup>	Open-label <sup>2</sup> (Placebo-treated only)
Dose 1	ALN-HTT02 or Placebo	→	⇒ ...
Dose 2		→	
Dose 3		→	
Additional cohort(s)		→ ...	
Observation period		Up to 12 months	Up to 12 months

1. The decision to proceed to the next dosing cohorts is determined by the Safety Review Committee

2. After all patients in the double-blind cohort have reached Month 6, cohort is unblinded and placebo-treated patients may receive a single open-label dose of ALN-HTT02

**Study initiating in the UK & Canada; additional countries planned**

*Protocol reviewed and accepted by Enroll-HD CTC and endorsed by EHDN EC*

# Summary

- **Alnylam's clinically-validated siRNA platform may offer a new approach for HTT-lowering in the CNS**
  - *Encouraging profile in another CNS siRNA development program (mivelsiran, targeting APP)*
- **ALN-HTT02 is an investigational RNAi therapeutic designed to durably lower all forms of mHTT, including exon 1 fragments**
  - *Results from non-clinical studies support infrequent IT dosing regimens in the clinic*
  - *Potential to optimize extent of HTT-lowering with clinical dosing regimens to maximize efficacy while preserving safety*
- **wtHTT-lowering in the CNS appears well tolerated in NHPs after IT dosing with ALN-HTT02**
  - *Findings demonstrated in multiple independent studies, even with deep HTT-lowering*
- **A Phase 1b SAD study of ALN-HTT02 in people with Huntington's disease is currently initiating and will enroll in late 2024**
- **Ongoing research efforts at Alnylam are exploring potential ways to apply the C16-siRNA platform to other aspects of HD; collaborations welcome!**



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