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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**Form 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 9, 2023

**WAVE LIFE SCIENCES LTD.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Singapore**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-37627**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**98-1356880**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**7 Straits View #12-00, Marina One  
East Tower  
Singapore**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**018936**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +65 6236 3388

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
\$0 Par Value Ordinary Shares	WVE	The Nasdaq Global Market

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

From time to time, Wave Life Sciences Ltd. (the “Company”) presents and/or distributes slides and presentations to the investment community to provide updates and summaries of its business. On November 9, 2023, the Company updated its corporate presentation, which is available on the “For Investors & Media” section of the Company’s website at <http://ir.wavelifesciences.com/>. This presentation is also furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

*The information in this Item 7.01 and exhibit 99.1 attached hereto is being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.*

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit relating to Item 7.01 is furnished and not filed:

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	<a href="#">Corporate Presentation of Wave Life Sciences Ltd. dated November 9, 2023</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**WAVE LIFE SCIENCES LTD.**

By: /s/ Paul B. Bolno, M.D.

Paul B. Bolno, M.D.

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 9, 2023



# Wave Life Sciences Corporate Presentation

November 9, 2023

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## Forward-looking statements

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# Building a leading RNA medicines company

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DMD (splicing), HD (silencing), and AATD (RNA editing) clinical programs advancing

Leader in RNA editing therapeutics, emerging leader in RNAi

Multi-modal drug discovery and development platform

Pipeline of novel medicines for rare and prevalent diseases

Strategic collaborations to expand and advance pipeline

GMP manufacturing  
Strong and broad IP

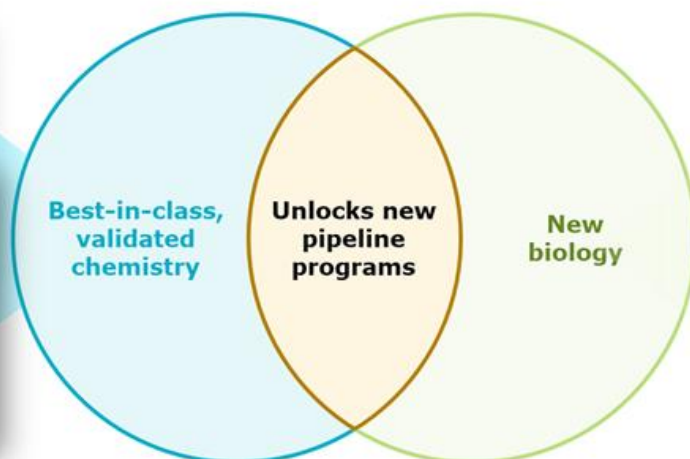
## 2024 expected milestones:

- Proof-of-mechanism data from RestorAATion clinical program of WVE-006 for AATD
- Data from FORWARD-53 clinical trial of WVE-N531 for DMD
- Data from SELECT-HD clinical trial of WVE-003 for HD
- Selection of INHBE clinical candidate for metabolic disorders, including obesity

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**Multiple clinical proof-of-concept datasets expected in 2024**

# Combining novel biology with validated, best-in-class chemistry to open opportunities for first-in-class medicines

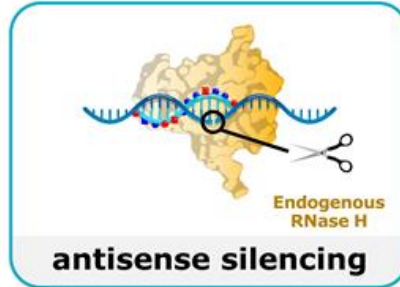
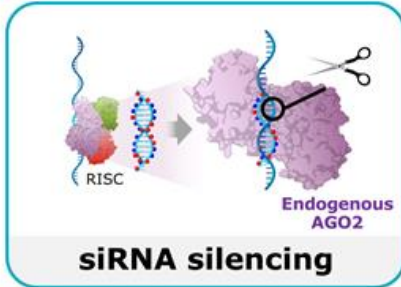
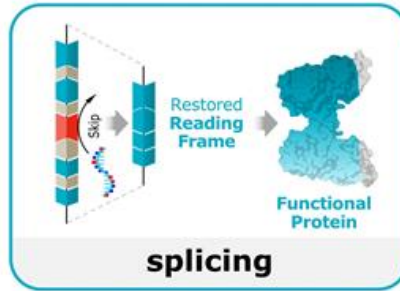
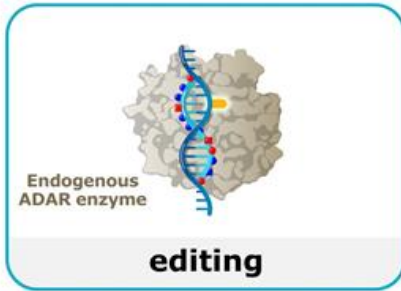


- Accessing new endogenous enzymes for novel modalities (RNA editing)
- Opening up new targets, including prevalent diseases





# Wave has the most versatile RNA medicines platform in the industry



Best-in-class nucleic acid chemistry applicable across modalities



Ability to access novel / untapped areas of disease biology



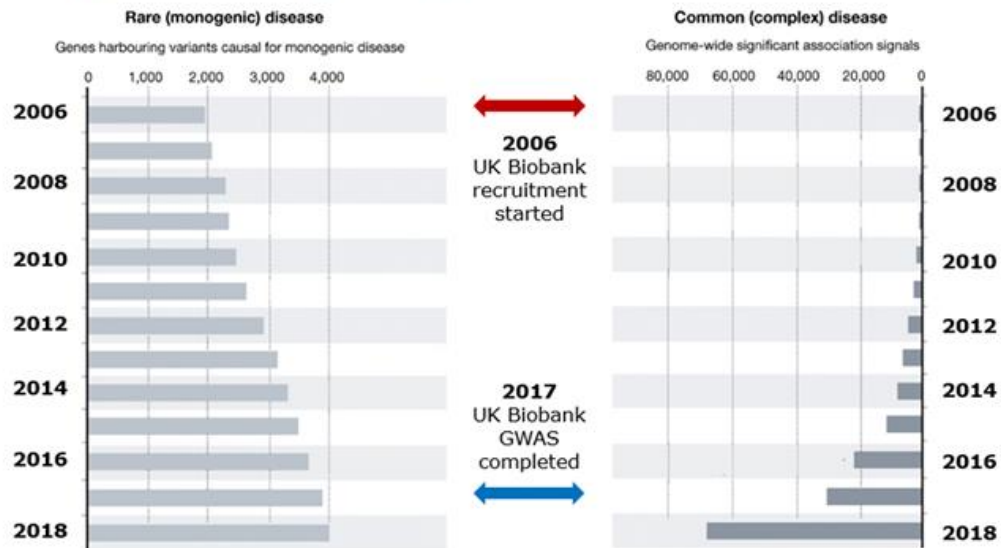
Genetic insights for rare and common diseases are unlocking new target opportunities



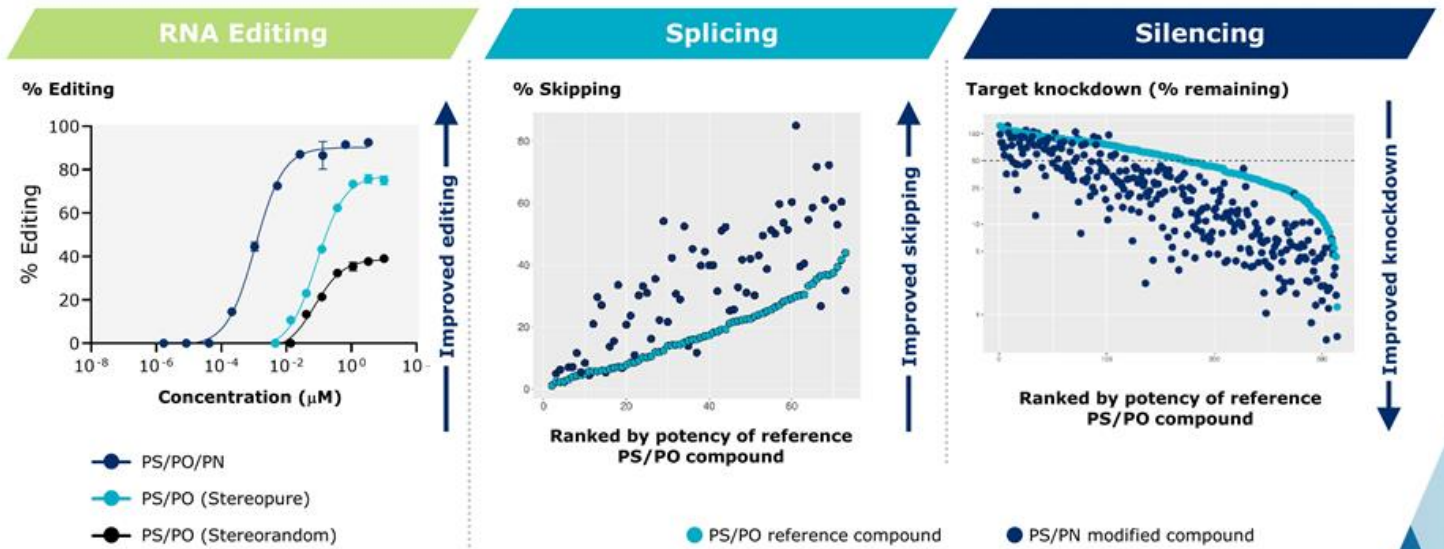
Platform learnings and clinical validation continue to increase probability of success



# Increasing genetic insights for rare and common diseases is unlocking new target opportunities






# Proprietary PN chemistry enhances potency across modalities



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Left: Experiment was performed in iPSC-derived neurons *in vitro*; target mRNA levels were monitored using qPCR against a control gene (HPRT1) using a linear model equivalent of the  $\Delta\Delta\text{Ct}$  method; Middle: DMD patient-derived myoblasts treated with PS/PO or PS/PO/PN stereopure oligonucleotide under free-uptake conditions. Exon-skipping efficiency evaluated by qPCR. Right: Data from independent experiments

# Robust RNA medicines pipeline including first-in-class RNA editing programs

Program	Discovery	Preclinical	Clinical	Rights	Patient population (US & Europe)
<b>RNA EDITING</b>					
<b>WVE-006</b> SERPINA1 (AATD) 	<b>RestorAAtion Clinical Program</b>			<b>GSK exclusive global license</b>	<b>200K</b>
Multiple undisclosed Correction 				<b>100% global</b>	<b>&gt;20K (multiple)</b>
Multiple undisclosed Upregulation 				<b>100% global</b>	<b>&gt;3M (multiple)</b>
<b>SPLICING</b>					
<b>WVE-N531</b> Exon 53 (DMD)	<b>FORWARD-53 Trial (Phase 2)</b>			<b>100% global</b>	<b>2.3K</b>
Other exons (DMD)				<b>100% global</b>	<b>Up to 18K</b>
<b>SILENCING: ANTISENSE</b>					
<b>WVE-003</b> mHTT (HD)	<b>SELECT-HD Trial (Phase 1b/2a)</b>			<b>Takeda 50:50 Option</b>	<b>25K Manifest (SNP3) 60K Pre-Manifest (SNP3)</b>
<b>SILENCING: siRNA</b>					
INHBE* (Metabolic disorders, including obesity)				<b>100% global</b>	<b>47M</b>



\*Through GSK collaboration, Wave can advance up to three collaboration programs (the first of which is INHBE) and GSK can advance up to eight collaboration programs.

AATD: Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency; DMD: Duchenne muscular dystrophy; HD: Huntington's disease



Editing for correction



Editing for upregulation

# Strategic collaboration with GSK to develop transformative RNA medicines for genetically defined diseases

## Multiple value drivers to Wave

- ✓ **\$170 million upfront to Wave** (cash and equity<sup>1</sup>)
- ✓ Additional research support funding
- ✓ Potential for **up to \$3.3 billion in milestones**<sup>2</sup>
- ✓ Expands Wave's pipeline
- ✓ INHBE is Wave's first wholly-owned program emerging from GSK collaboration

Milestone / royalties	Milestone / royalties	Genetic targets
GSK granted exclusive global license to WVE-006 for AATD	GSK to advance <b>up to eight</b> collaboration programs	Wave to leverage GSK's genetic insights
Up to \$225 million in development and launch milestones	Up to \$1.2 billion in aggregate in initiation, development and launch milestones	Wave to advance up to three wholly owned collaboration programs (or more pending agreement with GSK) <sup>3</sup>
Up to \$300 million in sales-related milestones	Up to \$1.6 billion in aggregate in sales-related milestones	
Double-digit tiered royalties as a percentage of net sales up to high-teens	Tiered royalties as a percentage of net sales up to low-teens	
Development and commercialization responsibilities transfer to GSK after completion of first-in-patient study	Development and commercialization responsibilities transfer to GSK at development candidate	
First-in-class RNA editing program	Collaboration leverages Wave's unique stereopure, PN-chemistry containing PRISM™ platform, including <b>editing, splicing, silencing</b> (RNAi and antisense)	



<sup>1</sup>\$120 million in cash and \$50 million equity investment received in January 2023, <sup>2</sup>Initiation, development, launch, and commercialization milestones for WVE-006 and programs progressed during initial 4-year research term (8 GSK collaboration programs), <sup>3</sup>GSK eligible to receive tiered royalty payments and commercial milestones from Wave



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WVE-006  
(RNA editing)  
AATD



# WVE-006: Designed to correct mutant SERPINA1 transcript to address both liver and lung manifestations of AATD

**WVE-006 designed to correct Z allele mRNA to enable M-AAT protein to be produced**



SERPINA1 Z allele mRNA encodes Z-AAT protein with E342K mutation

**WVE-006**  
(GalNAc-conjugated AIMer)



Edited SERPINA1 mRNA enables wild-type M-AAT protein production

**WVE-006 ADAR editing approach to address key goals of AATD treatment:**

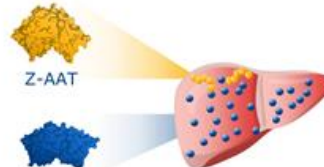
**1) Restore** circulating, functional wild-type M-AAT

**2) Reduce** Z-AAT protein aggregation in liver

**3) Retain** M-AAT physiological regulation



M-AAT reaches lungs to protect from proteases



RNA correction replaces mutant Z-AAT protein with wild-type M-AAT protein



M-AAT secretion into bloodstream

**200,000 Pi\*ZZ patients in US and Europe**

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AAT: Alpha-1 antitrypsin Strnad et al., 2020 *N Engl J Med* 382:1443-55; Bianco et al., 2017 *Int J Chron Obstruct Pulmon Dis* 12:561-69; Remih et al., 2021 *Curr Opin Pharmacol* 59:149-56.

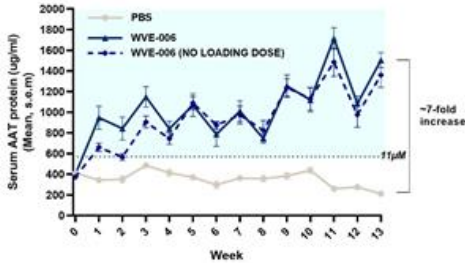
# WVE-006 in AATD: First-in-class RNA editing clinical candidate

Potentially comprehensive approach to address both lung and liver manifestations of AATD



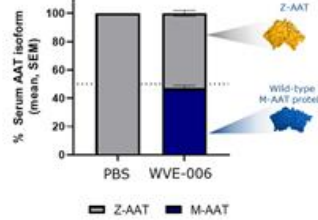
**Increased AAT protein in NSG-PiZ mice**

WVE-006 treatment results in serum AAT protein levels of up to 30 uM in NSG-PiZ mice



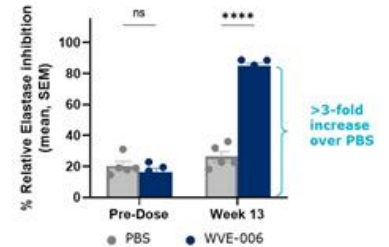
**Confirmed restored wild-type M-AAT protein**

Overall percentages of serum AAT protein isoforms in NSG-PiZ mice (Week 13)



**Demonstrated functionality of M-AAT protein**

Serum neutrophil elastase inhibition activity in NSG-PiZ mice



**~50% editing supports restoration of MZ phenotype**

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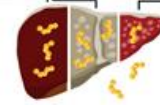
AATD: Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency; M-AAT protein: wild-type AAT protein; WVE-006 administered subcutaneously (10 mg/kg bi-weekly) in 7-week old NSG-PiZ mice (n=5 per group); Loading dose: 3 x 10 mg/kg at Day 0. Left: Liver biopsies collected at wk 13 (1 wk after last dose) and SERPINA1 editing quantified by Sanger sequencing; Right: Total serum AAT protein quantified by ELISA; Stats: Two-Way ANOVA with adjustment for multiple comparisons (Tukey)



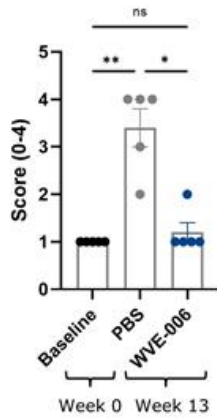
# WVE-006 decreases lobular inflammation and PAS-D globule size, prevents increase in hepatocyte turnover

**Correction of gain-of-function liver phenotypes**

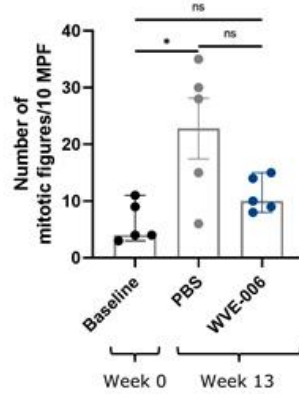
Fibrosis → Cirrhosis → Hepatocellular Carcinoma



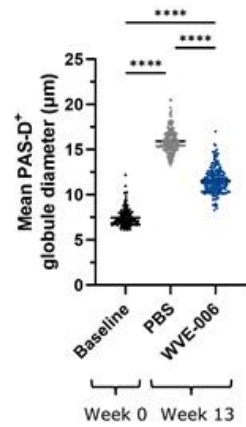
**Lobular inflammation**  
(NSG PiZ mice, week 13)



**Mitoses**  
(NSG PiZ mice, week 13)



**PAS-D-positive globule size**  
(NSG PiZ mice, week 13)

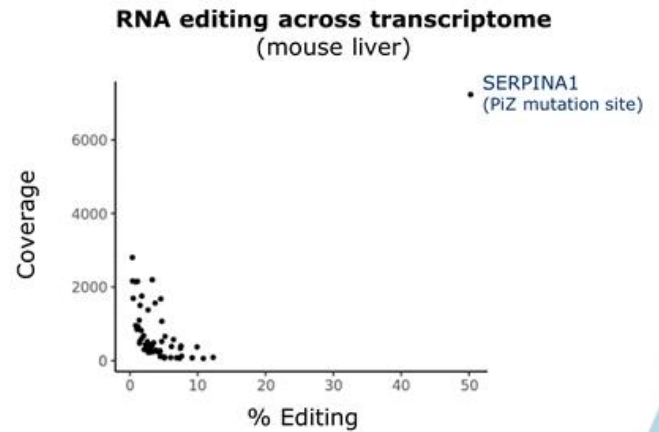
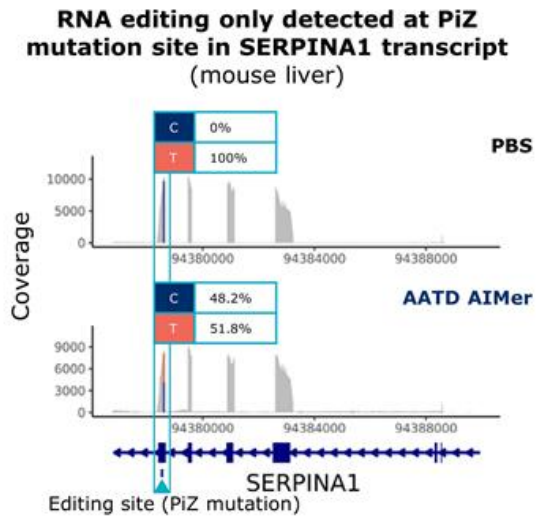


Left (Lobular inflammation) and Middle (Mitoses): Scatter plot showing inflammation grade or mitoses score. Each circle represents an individual mouse, (Mean ± SEM); Right (PAS-D Globule Size): 40 largest globules in each of 5 mice were measured. Each circle represents a single PAS-D globule, (Mean ± SEM). Baseline: week 0 (7 weeks old); Treated week 13 (20 weeks old); Stats: Kruskal-Wallis followed by Dunn's test

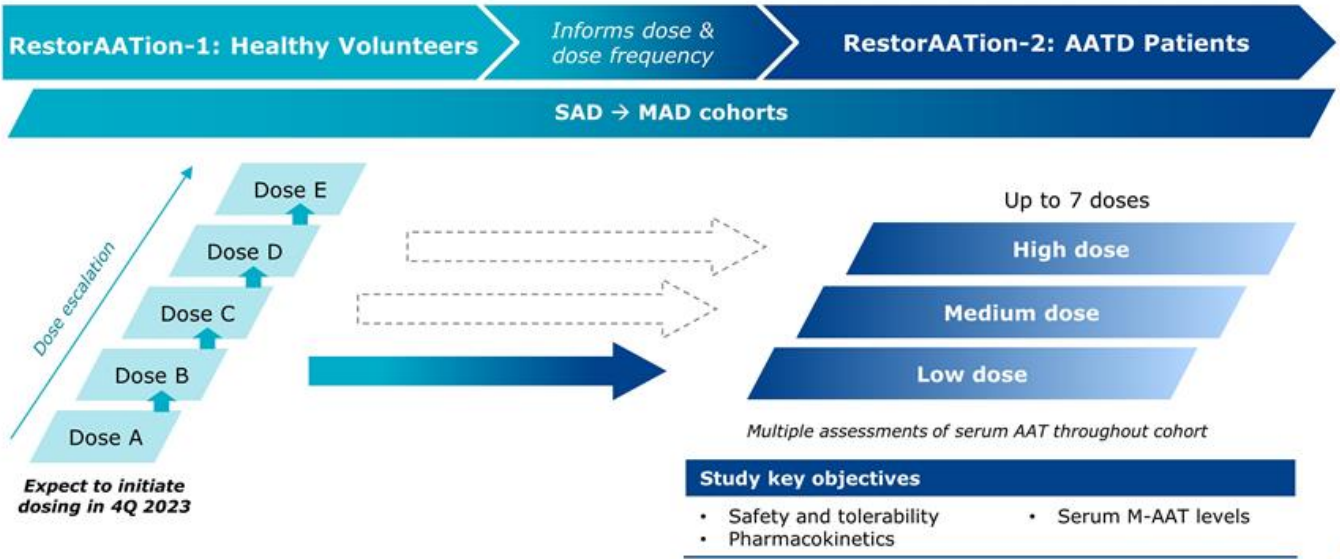


# AIMer-directed editing is highly specific in mice

No bystander editing observed on SERPINA1 transcript



# Proof of mechanism data in patients with AATD expected in 2024



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AIMers

RNA editing capability

# First-generation AIMer designs published in *Nature Biotechnology*

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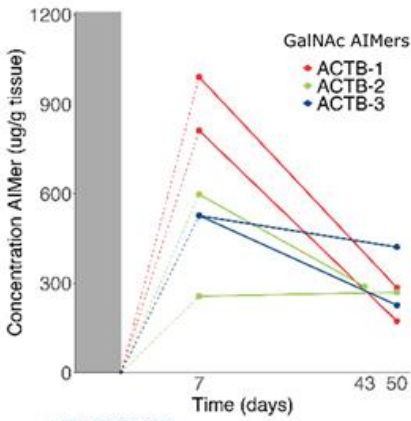
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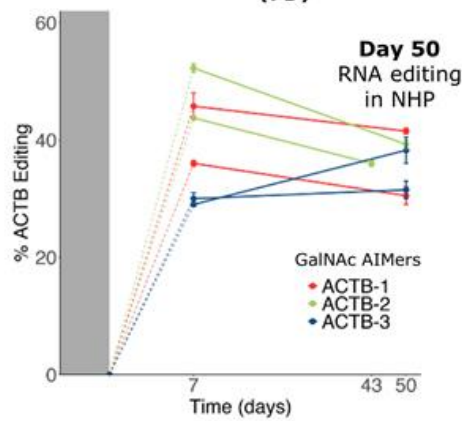
Endogenous ADAR-mediated RNA editing in non-human primates using stereopure chemically modified oligonucleotides

- Specificity *in vitro* & *in vivo* (NHPs)
- *In vitro-in vivo* translation (NHPs)
- GalNAc conjugation
- Foundational AIMer SAR

## AIMers detected in liver of NHP at Day 50 (PK)



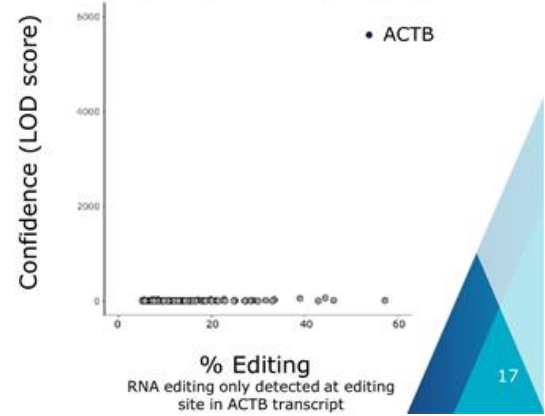
## Substantial and durable editing in NHP liver *in vivo* (PD)



LIFE SCIENCES Monian et al., 2022 published online Mar 7, 2022; doi: 10.1038.s41587-022-01225-1 SAR structure-activity relationship

## ADAR editing with ACTB AIMer is highly specific

RNA editing within full transcriptome (primary human hepatocytes)



RNA editing only detected at editing site in ACTB transcript

# Innovating on applications of ADAR editing

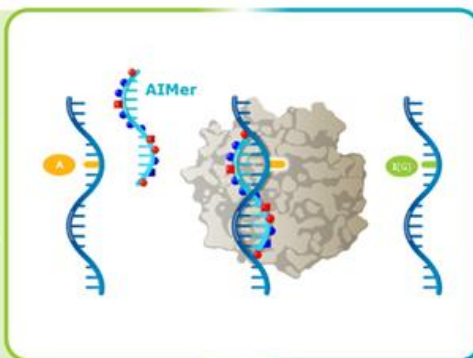
## Correct G-to-A driver mutations with AIMers

## Modulate protein interactions with AIMers



Restore or correct protein function

**WVE-006**  
(GalNAc AIMer)  
AATD



Achieved POC

- Modulate protein-protein interaction**
- Upregulate expression**
- Modify function
- Post-translational modification
- Alter folding or processing



AIMers provide dexterity, with applications beyond precise correction of genetic mutations, including upregulation of expression, modification of protein function, or alter protein stability



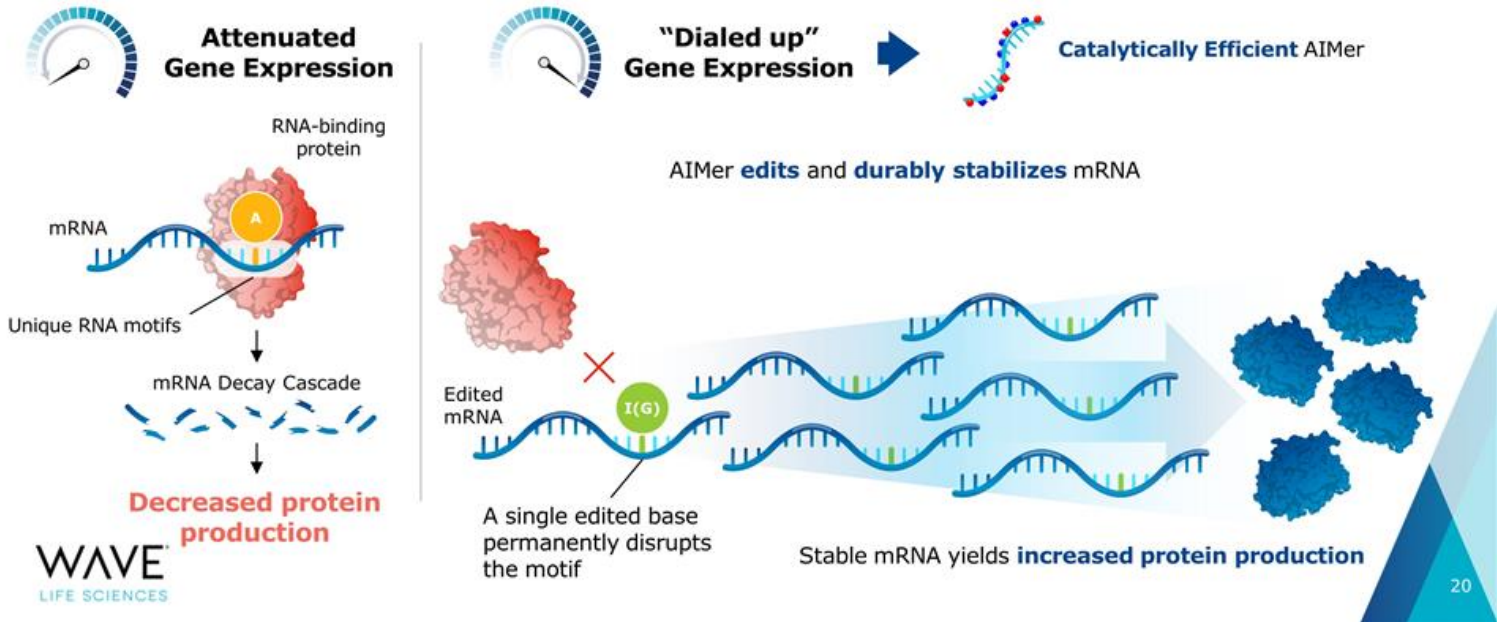






# Upregulation: AIMers can edit RNA motifs to restore or upregulate gene expression

RNA binding proteins recognize sequence motifs to regulate mRNA stability



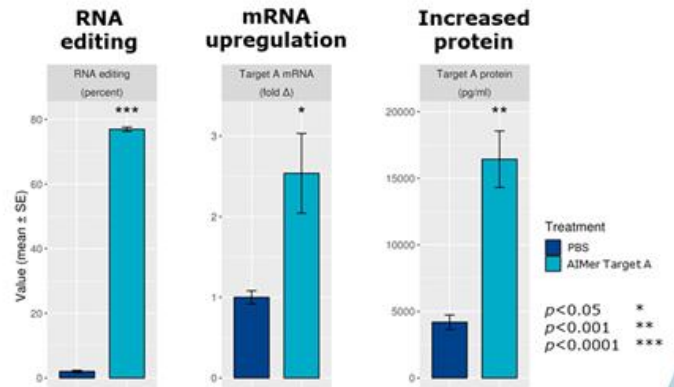
# Edit-verse subnetwork reveals "Target A": Metabolic syndrome target uniquely suited for AIMer upregulation



## Target A

- Liver target for upregulation, non-incretin therapy
- Strongly implicated in metabolic disease, with indirect causation in familial disorders
- Few therapies today provide weight loss in this specific patient population
- Estimate 90 million potential patients in the US and Europe with metabolic syndrome and obesity
- Serum protein levels and biomarkers available to assess target engagement

>75% RNA editing led to >2-fold increase of mRNA, and similar degree of protein upregulation *in vivo* with GalNAc-AIMer in young DIO mice

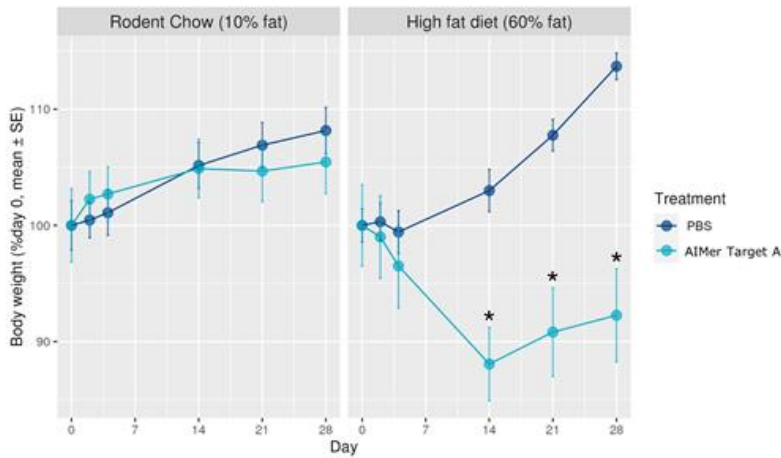




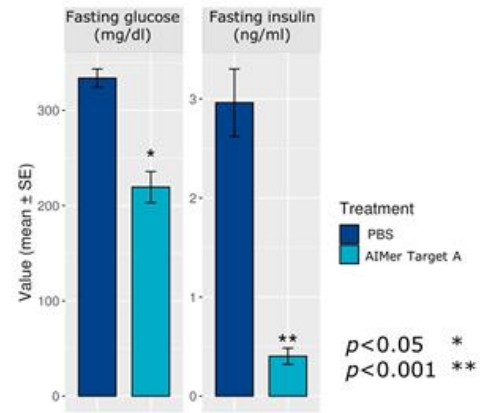
# Substantial upregulation of protein induces weight loss and improves insulin sensitivity

- ~3-fold upregulation of Target A protein with GalNAc-AIMer led to weight reduction and improved insulin sensitivity in DIO mice

## Significant Weight Loss



## Improved Insulin Sensitivity



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Body weight data were analyzed using a linear mixed effects model to assess the fix effects of diet, time and treatment, controlling for the initial day 0 body weight (continuous covariate) and subject (random effect). Fasted glucose and insulin data (from study termination, day 31) was analyzed using Welch's two-sided t-test. Significance was evaluated at  $p < 0.05$ .



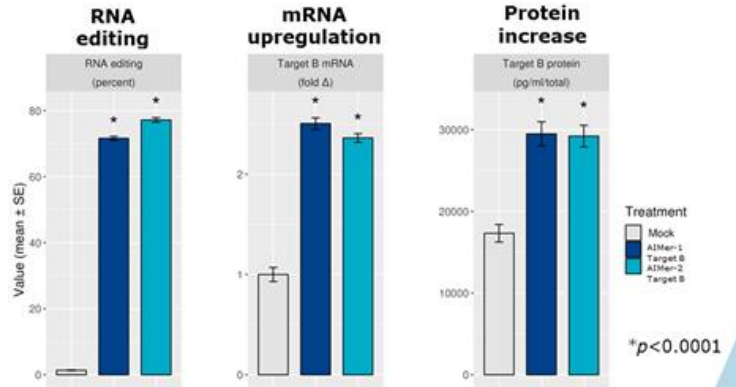
# Target B upregulation offers a first-in-class therapeutic approach for hyperlipidemia

>70% editing achieves ~2-fold upregulation with corresponding increase in protein

## Target B

- Liver target for upregulation
- Hyperlipidemia; first-in-class therapeutic approach
- Estimate ~3 million target patients in US and Europe
- Serum biomarkers available to assess target engagement and efficacy
- Potential clinically meaningful benefit of >2 fold upregulation of target mRNA

Primary human hepatocytes *in vitro*



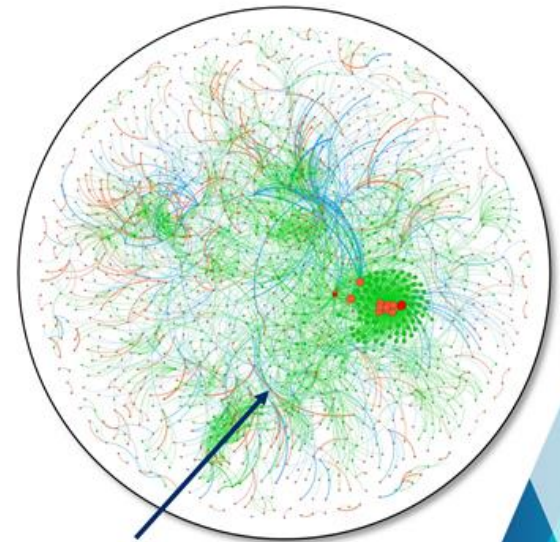
# Upregulation of liver Target X stops decline in kidney function



## Target X

- Liver target for upregulation
- Target X produces a secreted protein to treat kidney disease
- Estimate ~170K target patients in US and Europe
- Therapeutic rationale supported by genetic insights, PheWAS, and observational data
- Plasma biomarkers available to assess target engagement
- ~2-fold upregulation in secreted protein expected to be clinically meaningful

## Renal Insufficiency Network



Target X



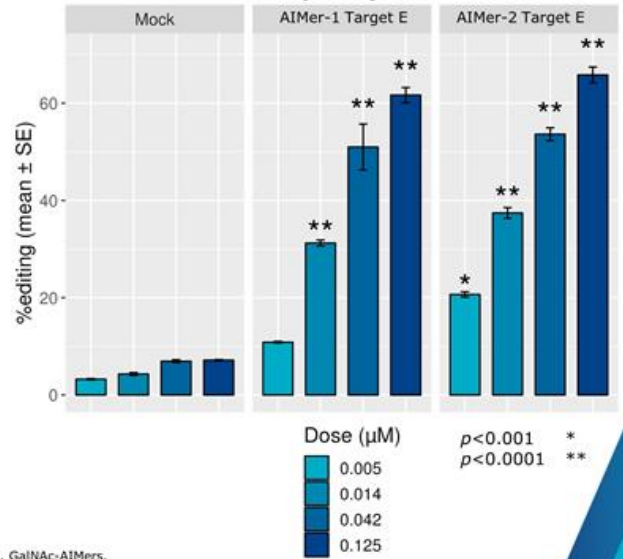


# Building on success of AATD: Target E correction restores normal metabolism in rare genetic disease

## Target E

- Liver target for correction
- Rare genetic disease
- High unmet need population not addressed with current therapeutic options
- ~17,000 patients addressable with correction approaches in US and Europe
- Fully translatable serum biomarker
- ~15-30% editing expected to deliver clinically meaningful benefit

## Proof-of-concept RNA editing in human primary hepatocytes





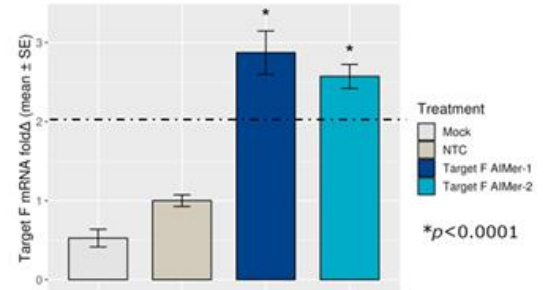
# Upregulation of Target F restores kidney function in a rare genetic kidney disease

Achieved >2-fold upregulation of Target F mRNA *in vitro* with RNA editing

## Target F

- Kidney target for upregulation
- Rare genetic kidney disease that leads to ESRD and need for dialysis / transplantation; High unmet need with few treatment options currently available
- ~85K patients in US and Europe addressable with upregulation approach
- Urinary biomarkers available to assess upregulation
- Clinically meaningful benefit may be achieved with 2-fold upregulation

## Upregulation of Target F mRNA in Human kidney tubular epithelial cells



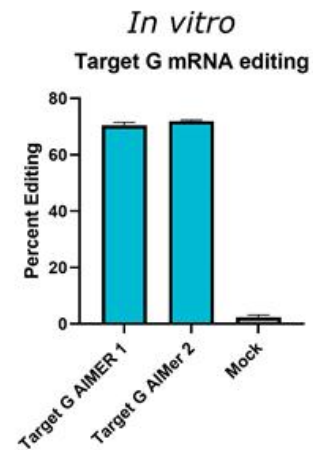


# Correction of Target G mutation restores protein function in patients with a genetic lung disease



## Target G

- Lung disease target for correction
- Genetic lung disease with target patient population not addressed with available therapies
- ~5K patients amenable to correction approaches in US and Europe
- Clinically meaningful benefit expected with 20% correction
- Established clinical regulatory pathway



# Multiple RNA editing opportunities to build high-value pipeline beyond WVE-006

- The Edit-verse is substantial and still expanding
- Advancing work for a diverse set of undisclosed targets addressing areas of high unmet need, including both rare and prevalent diseases

## Potential to advance any combination of targets into preclinical development

	Hepatic (GalNAc-AIMers)				Extra-Hepatic (AIMers)	
	Target A	Target B	Target X	Target E	Target F	Target G
<b>Approach</b>	Upregulation	Upregulation	Upregulation	Correction	Upregulation	Correction
<b>Tissue</b>	Liver	Liver	Liver	Liver	Kidney	Lung
<b>Therapeutic Area</b>	Metabolic	Metabolic	Renal	Rare	Renal	Rare
<b>Estimated Patients (US and Europe)</b>	~90M	~3M	~170K	~17K	~85K	~5K

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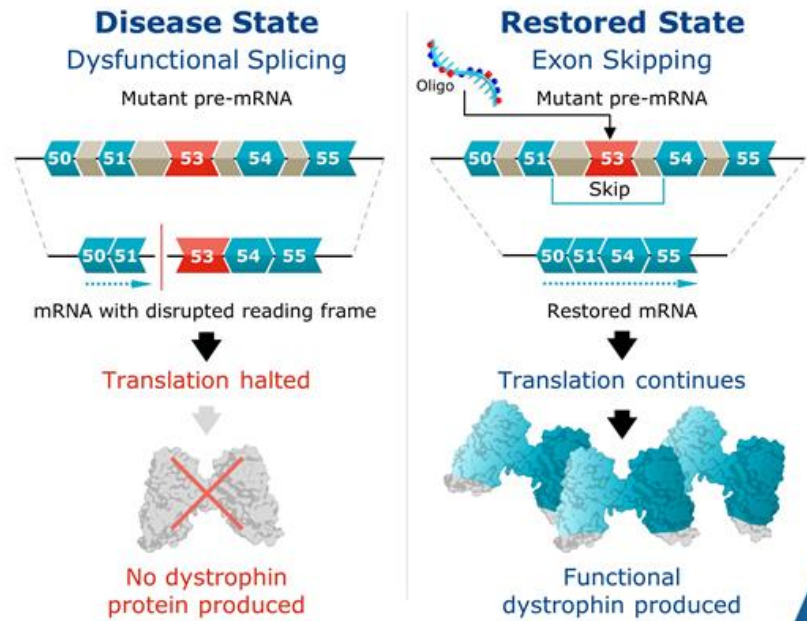
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WVE-N531  
(splicing)

Duchenne muscular dystrophy

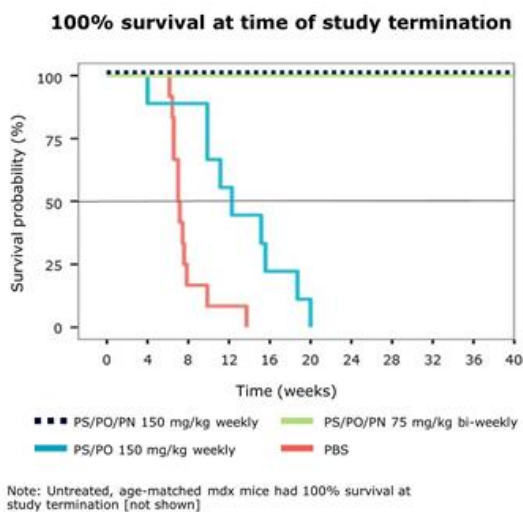
# Duchenne muscular dystrophy

- **Genetic mutation in dystrophin gene prevents the production of dystrophin protein**, a critical component of healthy muscle function
- **Impacts approx. 1 in every 5,000 newborn boys each year**; approx. 20,000 new cases annually worldwide
  - Approx. 8-10% are amenable to exon 53 skipping
- **Dystrophin protein established by FDA as surrogate endpoint** reasonably likely to predict benefit in boys<sup>1</sup> for accelerated approval in DMD
- Increasing amount of functional dystrophin expression over minimal amount shown with approved therapies is expected to result in greater benefit for boys with DMD

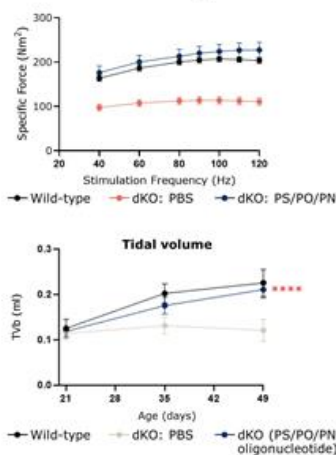


# Extended survival in dKO preclinical model supports potential of exon-skipping therapeutics for DMD

## PN chemistry improved function and survival in dKO mice



## Restored muscle and respiratory function to wild-type levels



# Preclinical data supported advancing WVE-N531 to clinical development

**WVE-N531 reached high concentrations in heart and diaphragm in NHP**

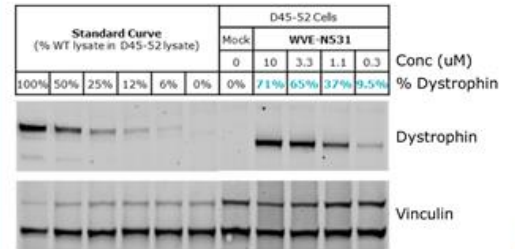


15 mg/kg* IV dose	Mean Tissue Concentration		
	Skeletal muscle	Diaphragm	Heart
	2.17 ug/g	10.8 ug/g	57.2 ug/g

\*approximately equivalent to 10 mg/kg in patients based on plasma AUC values

**WVE-N531: Dystrophin restoration of up to 71% *in vitro***

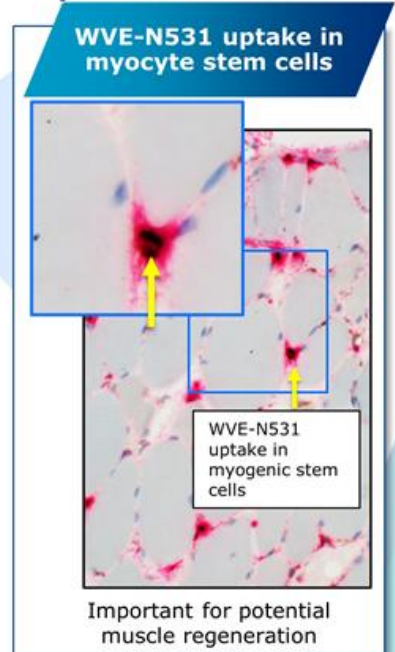
**Western Blot normalized to primary healthy human myoblast lysate**





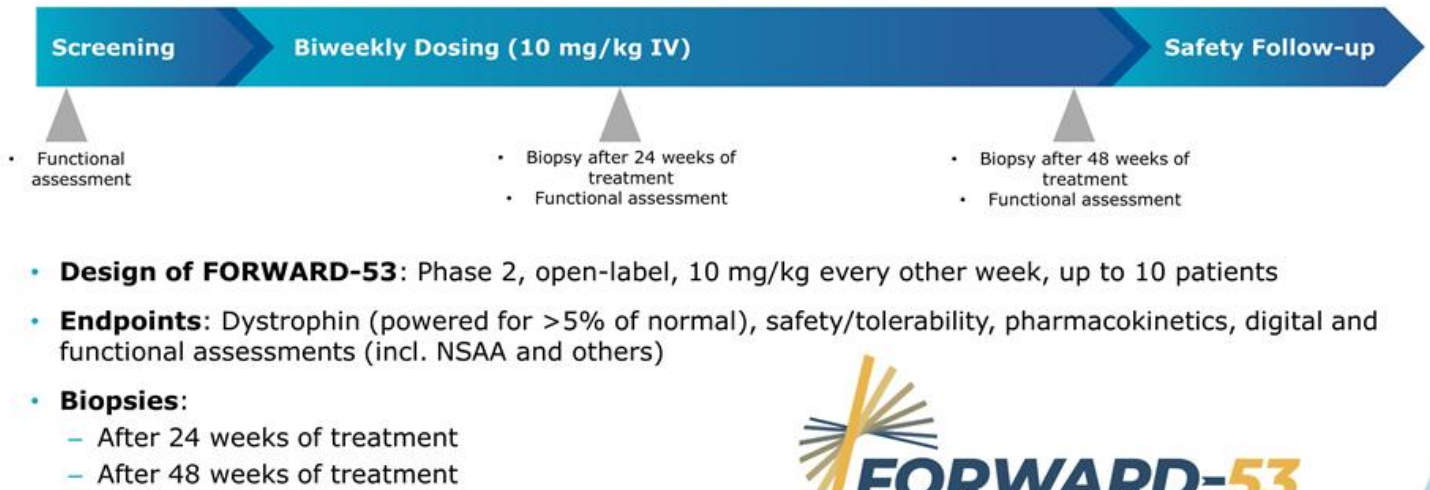
# WVE-N531 Part A clinical data: High exon-skipping & muscle concentrations after three bi-weekly doses

	<b>suvodirsen</b>	<b>WVE-N531</b>
Mean muscle concentration	0.7 µg/g	42 µg/g
Mean exon skipping	Not detectable	53%
Half-life in plasma	18 hours	25 days
Dose	22 weekly doses of 5 mg/kg	3 biweekly doses of 10 mg/kg



WVE-N531 data presented March 22, 2023 at Muscular Dystrophy Association Clinical and Scientific Conference; WVE-N531 biopsies collected ~2 weeks post-last dose (3 biweekly doses of 10 mg/kg) 42 µg/g = 6.1 µM; Suvodirsen biopsies collected post-last dose (weekly doses of 5 mg/kg) on week 22; Half-life as indicated by PK analysis; suvodirsen: discontinued first-generation non-PN chemistry compound; Right: Dual staining utilizing in-situ hybridization for WVE-N531 and PAX7 immunohistochemistry for stem cells

# FORWARD-53, a potentially registrational Phase 2 clinical trial of WVE-N531 in DMD (Exon 53)



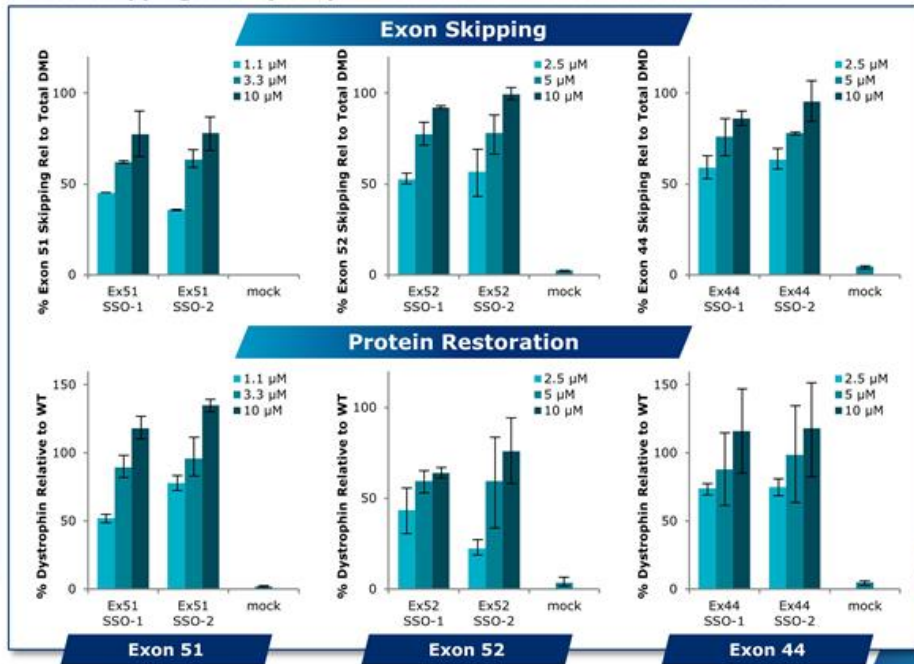
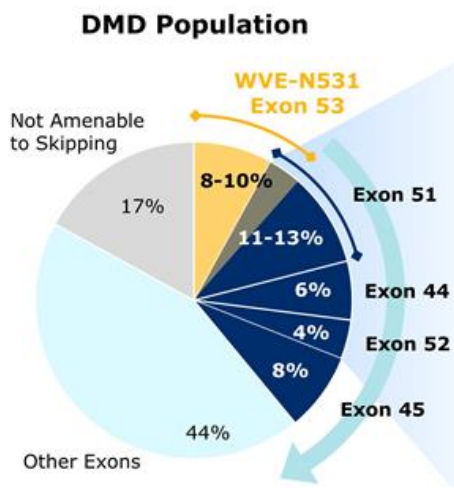
Data from FORWARD-53 expected in 2024

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IV: intravenous; NSAA: North star ambulatory assessment

# Potential for Wave to address up to 40% of DMD population

## Exon skipping and dystrophin restoration demonstrated *in vitro*



Left: Aartsma-Rus, et al. 2009 *Hum Mutat* 30, 293.

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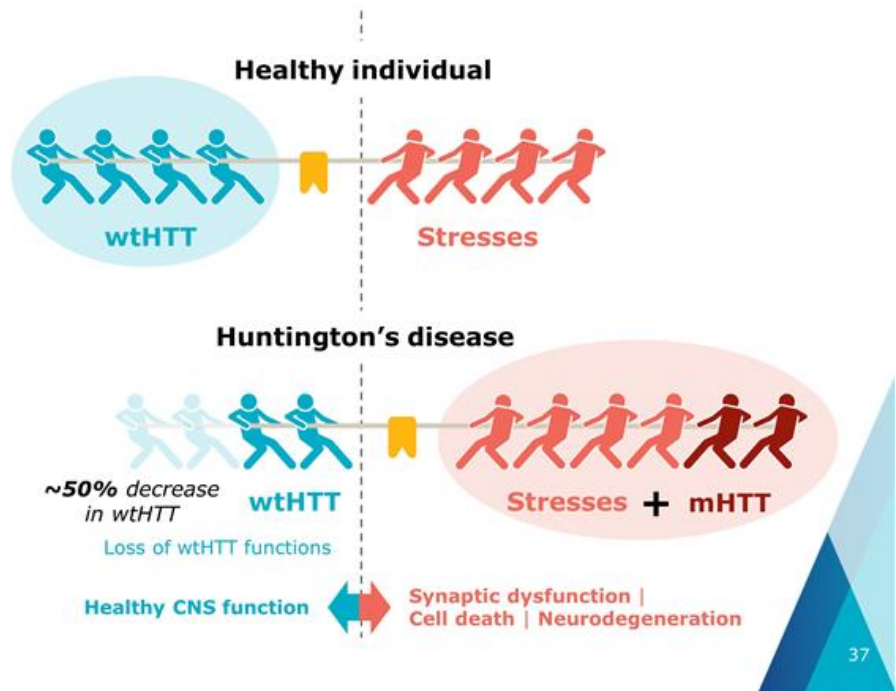
WVE-003  
(antisense silencing)

Huntington's Disease

# mHTT toxic effects lead to neurodegeneration; loss of wtHTT functions may also contribute to HD

## Huntington's disease (HD)

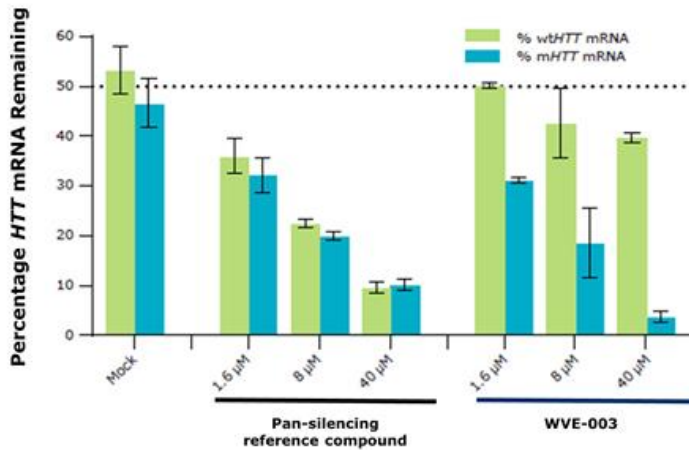
- Wild-type HTT (wtHTT) is critical for normal neuronal function
- Expanded CAG triplet repeat in HTT gene results in production of mutant huntingtin protein (mHTT)
- HD is a monogenic autosomal dominant genetic disease; fully penetrant and affects entire brain
- Fatal disease characterized by cognitive decline, psychiatric illness, and chorea
- 30,000 people with HD in the US and more than 200,000 at risk of developing HD



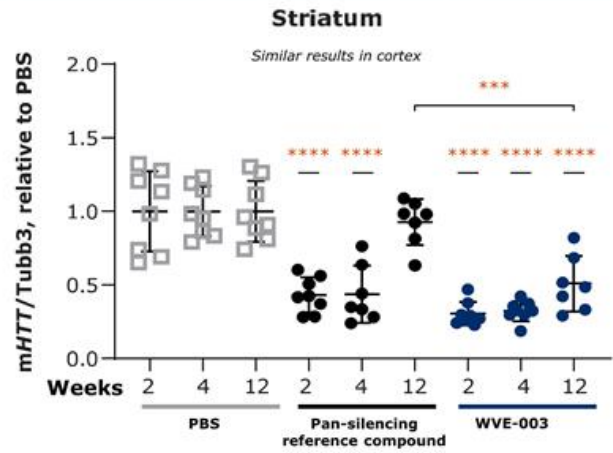


# WVE-003 (SNP3) demonstrates selective, potent, and durable reduction of mHTT in preclinical models

Selectively reduces mHTT mRNA in HD iPSC neurons *in vitro*



Durable striatal mHTT knockdown for 12 weeks in BACHD mouse model



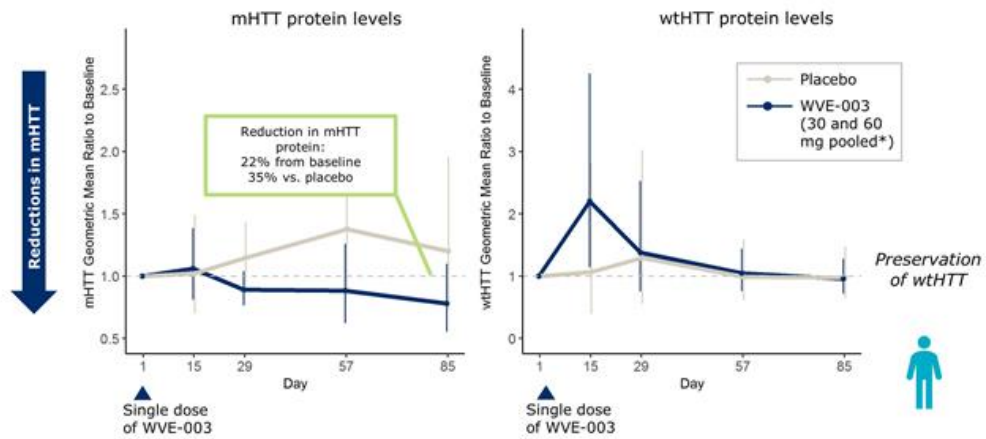
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Results from NDS0036 iPSC-derived medium spiny neurons. Total *HTT* knockdown quantified by qPCR and normalized to *HPRT1*. Oligonucleotide or PBS [100  $\mu$ g ICV injections through cannula on days 1, 3, 5] delivered to BACHD transgenic. Mean  $\pm$  SD (n=8, \* $P$ <0.0332, \*\*\* $P$ <0.0002, \*\*\*\* $P$ <0.0001 versus PBS unless otherwise noted). *HPRT1*, hypoxanthine-guanine phosphoribosyl transferase; iPSC, induced pluripotent stem cell; ICV, intracerebroventricular; PBS, phosphate-buffered saline



# WVE-003: First-in-class allele-selective candidate for HD

Reductions in mean CSF mHTT and preservation of wtHTT observed in pooled analysis of single-dose cohorts in SELECT-HD clinical study



Data from 30 mg multi-dose cohort with extended follow-up, along with all single-dose data expected 2Q 2024



mHTT: mutant huntingtin protein; wtHTT: wild-type huntingtin protein  
\*Pooled considering no apparent dose response between 2 cohorts; Data cut-off: August 29, 2022

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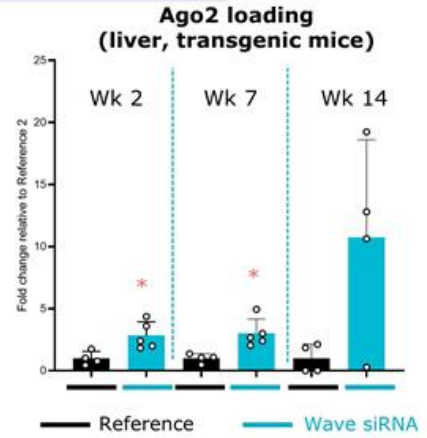
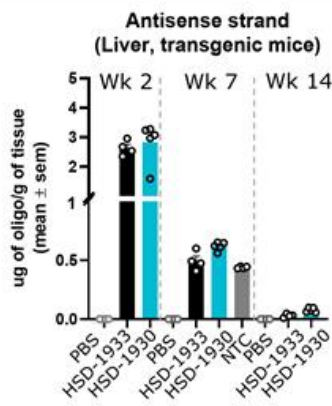
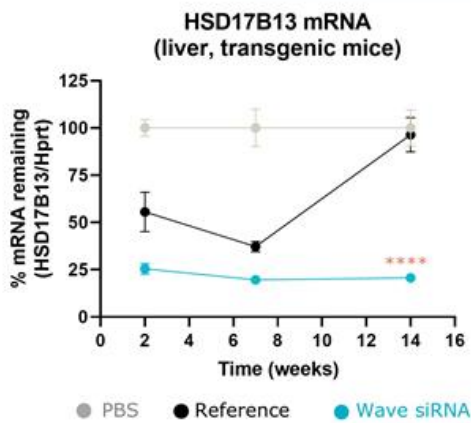
INHBE program  
(siRNA silencing)

Metabolic disorders, including obesity

# Potential for best-in-class siRNA enabled by Wave's PRISM platform

**Nucleic Acids Research**  
 Impact of stereopure chimeric backbone chemistries on the potency and durability of gene silencing by RNA interference

- Unprecedented Ago2 loading increases potency and durability of silencing following administration of single subcutaneous dose



siRNA silencing is one of multiple Wave modalities being advanced in strategic research collaboration with GSK

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Left, Middle, and right: Mice expressing human *HSD17B13* transgene treated with siRNA (3 mg/kg) or PBS, liver mRNA, guide strand concentration, Ago2 loading quantified. Stats: Two-way ANOVA with post-hoc test \* P<0.05, \*\*\*\*P<0.0001. Liu et al., 2023 *Nuc Acids Res* doi: 10.1093/nar/gkad268;

# INHBE GalNAc-siRNA represents an evolution in treatment for metabolic diseases, including obesity

- Metabolic syndrome\* is associated with type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, hypertension, stroke, cancer, and increased mortality<sup>1,2</sup>
- Estimate ~47M people in US and Europe with metabolic disorders, including obesity
- Therapeutic options beyond GLP1s are needed
  - GLP-1 receptor agonists lead to weight loss at the expense of muscle mass<sup>3</sup>
  - GLP-1 receptor agonists suppress general reward system<sup>6</sup>
  - GLP-1 receptor agonists associated with poor tolerability profile<sup>4</sup> with 68% drop-off after 1 year<sup>5</sup>
- Preferred approach would improve metabolism and increase fat loss while maintaining muscle mass
- Restoration of metabolic health via INHBE silencing can simultaneously address obesity and other drivers of metabolic syndrome

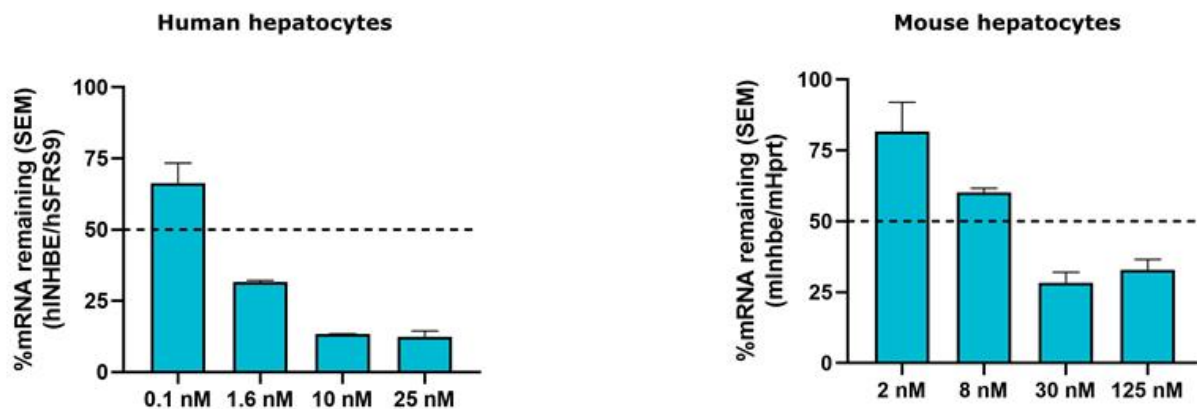
# Driven by clinical genetics, Wave's first RNAi program addresses high unmet need in metabolic disorders, including obesity

## **INHBE program is Wave's first wholly owned program emerging from GSK collaboration**

- Leverages novel genetic insights accessed through GSK collaboration
- INHBE loss-of-function heterozygous carriers exhibit healthy metabolic profile<sup>1,2,3</sup>:
  - ✓ Reduced waist-to-hip ratio
  - ✓ Reduced odds ratio of type 2 diabetes by 28%, and coronary artery disease
  - ✓ Reduced serum triglycerides
  - ✓ Elevated HDL-c
  - ✓ Reduced HbA1c
  - ✓ Lowered ApoB
- INHBE expressed primarily in liver and gene product (subunit of activin E) acts on its receptor in adipose tissue<sup>4</sup>
- GalNAc-siRNA for targeted delivery to hepatocytes

**≥50% reduction of INHBE with siRNA expected to restore a healthy metabolic profile**

# INHBE knockdown of 90% demonstrated in human hepatocytes with GalNAc-siRNA

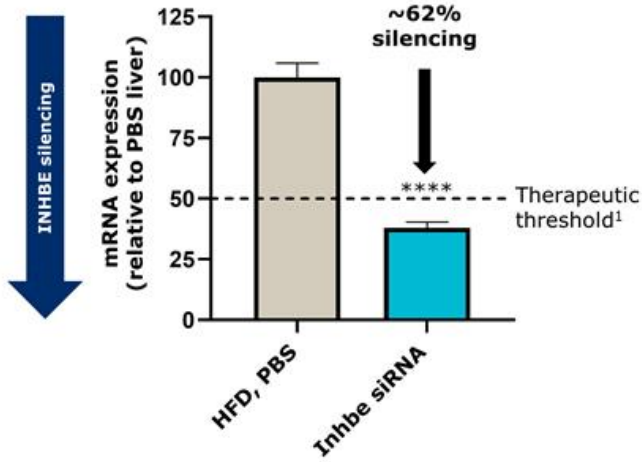


- This cross-reactive sequence demonstrates ~90% maximal knock-down in human hepatocytes and ~65% in mouse hepatocytes
- Additional human selective sequences are in development

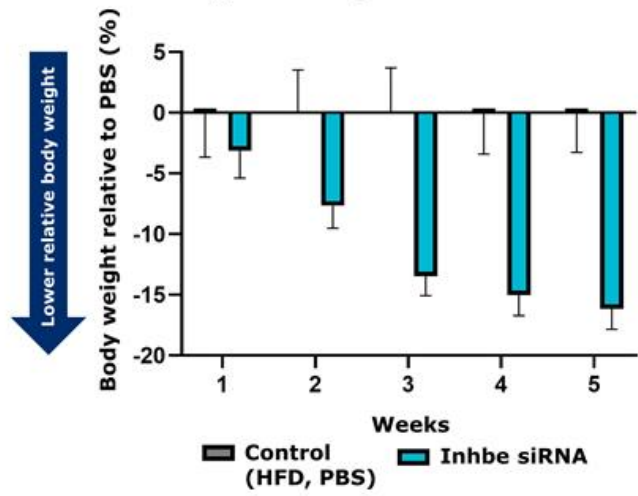


# INHBE silencing achieved *in vivo* with GalNAc-siRNA exceeds therapeutic threshold and led to lower body weight

**INHBE knockdown demonstrated in mice at 5 weeks**



**INHBE knockdown led to 16% lower body weight as compared to control**



Similar effect seen in semaglutide preclinical studies

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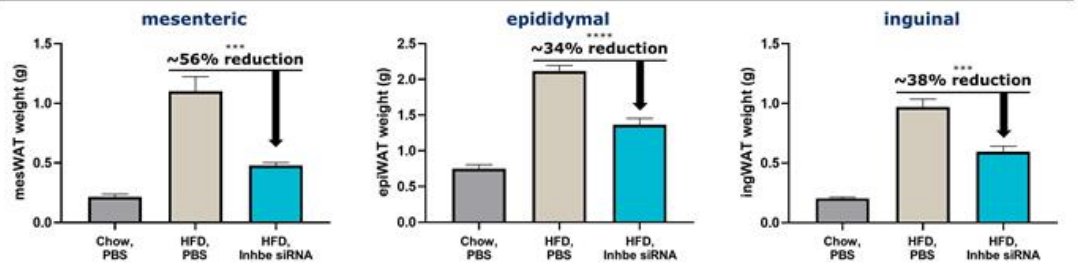
HFD: high-fat diet. Stats: two-sided Welch's T Test \*\*\*\* P < 0.0001  
1. Adam, RC. et.al. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA*. 2023, 120(32): e2309967120.

Data plotted by body weight difference as a percentage of PBS treated young DIO mice; Coskun, T. et. al. *Mol. Metab.* 2018, 18, 3. Stats: Repeated Measures ANOVA; Inhbe siRNA vs. Control significantly different at P < 0.05 level weeks 2 through 5

# INHBE silencing leads to significant decrease in visceral fat, consistent with phenotype of heterozygous LoF carriers

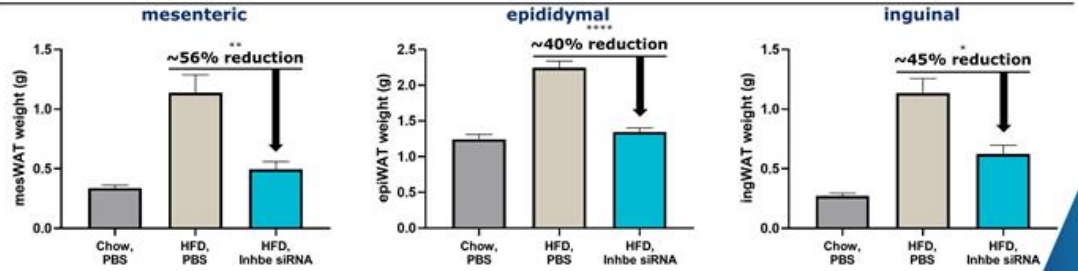
INHBE knockdown in young DIO mice resulted in less fat mass across multiple types of white adipose tissue, without loss of brown fat

Changes in white adipose tissue after 5 weeks



Subsequent 8-week study demonstrates further reduction in excess visceral fat

Changes in white adipose tissue after 8 weeks

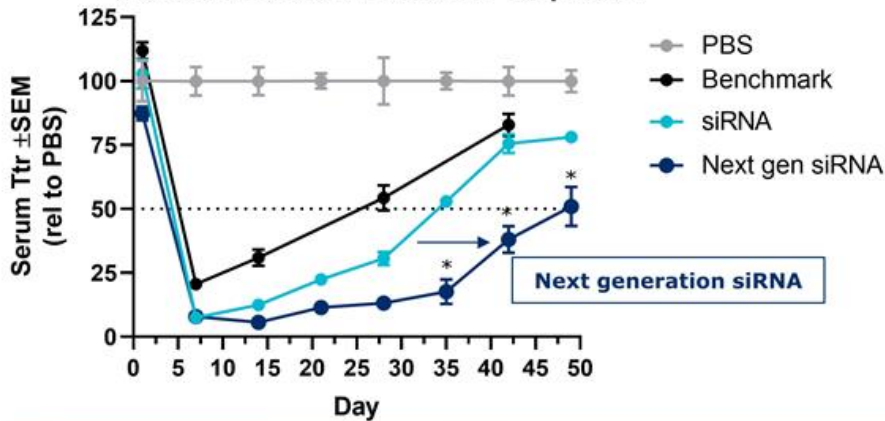


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Adam, RC, et al. Proc Natl Acad Sci USA. 2023, 120(32): e2309967120. HFD: high-fat diet. Stats: white-adjusted Two-way ANOVA with Bonferroni-adjusted post hoc comparisons per tissue type allowing heteroscedasticity (only HFD, Inhbe siRNA vs. HFD, PBS shown) \*P < 0.05, \*\*P < 0.01, \*\*\*P < 0.001, \*\*\*\*P < 0.0001

# INHBE candidate for metabolic disorders, including obesity, expected in 4Q 2024

Next generation siRNA results in more potent and durable knockdown of serum Ttr protein



## INHBE program

- Applying next-generation siRNA chemistry to INHBE program
- Potent and highly specific leads identified
- Potential for infrequent administration

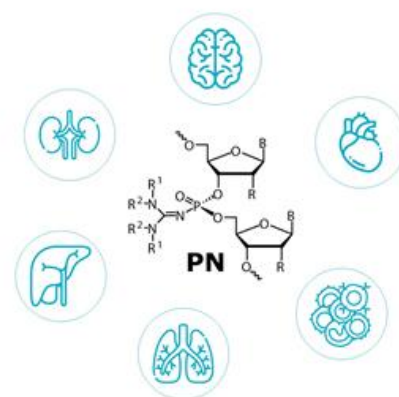
Wave's next generation GalNAc-siRNA demonstrates best-in-class potential



Foster, DJ. et.al. Mol Ther. 2018, 26(3), 708. B6 mice administered PBS or 0.5 mg/kg of siRNA (subcutaneous). Benchmark: Stats: Mixed Two-way ANOVA followed by post hoc test comparing siRNA vs. Next gen siRNA per day derived from linear mixed effects model \* P < 0.0001

# Wave's platform chemistry enables siRNA extra-hepatic delivery

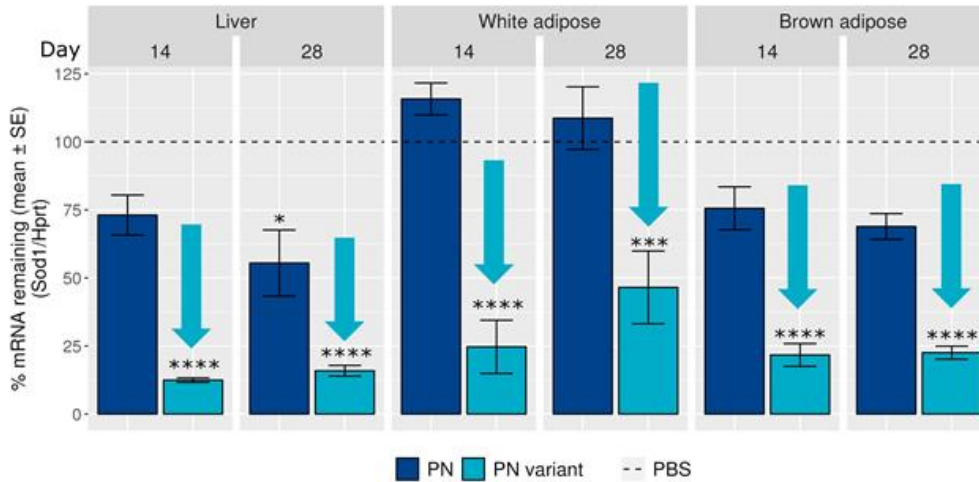
- Chemical impact
  - Introduction of neutral backbone
  - Unique structural feature of PN, specifically guanidine
  - Increased lipophilicity
  - Stereochemistry
- Extra-hepatic delivery
  - Titrating siRNA lipophilicity tunable PNs (PN variants)
  - Maintaining high Ago2 loading and intracellular trafficking
  - Titrating plasma protein binding
  - Altered delivery, enhanced potency and durability in various tissues



**PN can tune extra-hepatic delivery of siRNA using rational design, including placement, number of modifications and PN variants**

# Tunable PN variants enhance potency and alter extra-hepatic delivery of non-GalNAc siRNAs

## Non-GalNAc siRNA with PN variants improve silencing in liver and adipose tissue 14 and 28 days post single dose

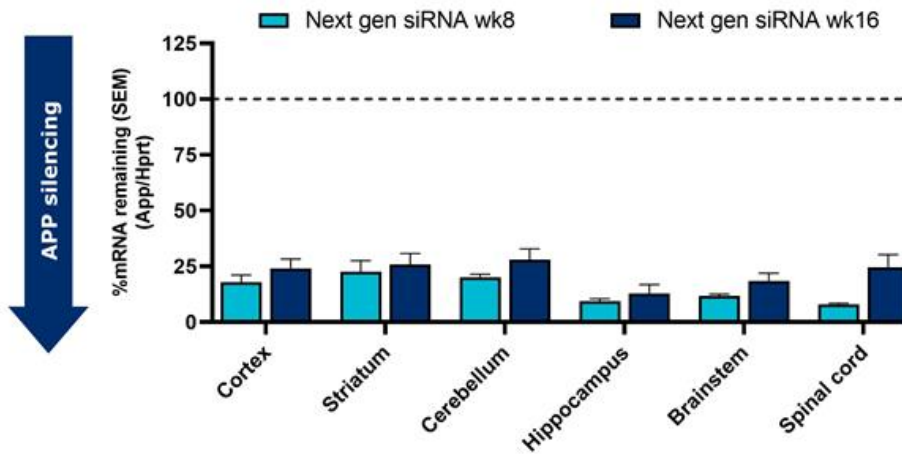


- Reaching adipose tissue in addition to liver with siRNA is important for certain metabolic disorders
- PN variants also enhanced siRNA silencing in muscle tissue, including heart and diaphragm

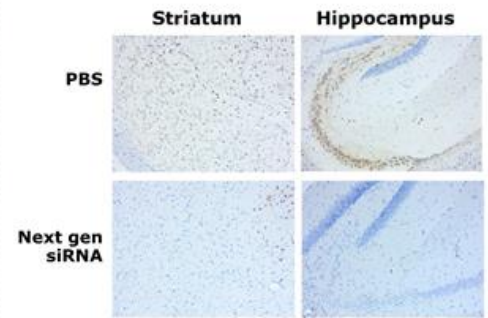


# Single dose of next generation siRNA delivers broad, potent and durable CNS target engagement

Sustained APP knockdown of at least 75% throughout the 16-week study *in vivo* in mice



**Robust target engagement translates to substantial App protein reduction across brain regions 8-weeks post single dose**

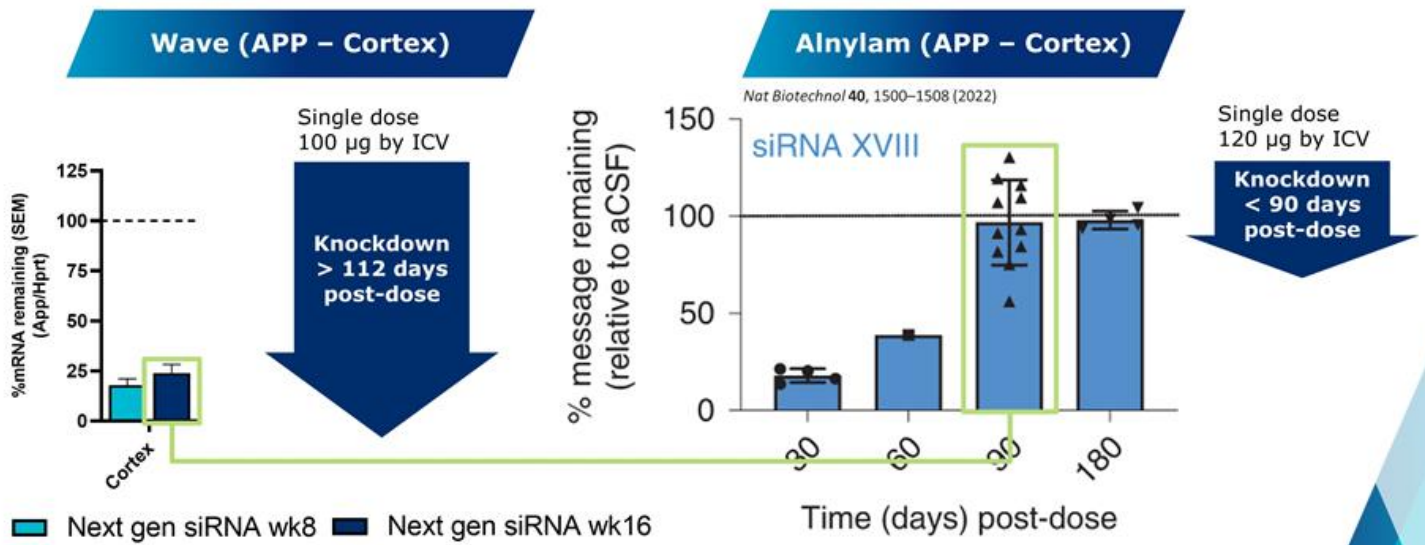


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PBS (dotted line) or 100 µg of App siRNA administered ICV (n=7). PCR assays for RNA PD, relative fold changes of *App* to *Hprt* mRNA normalized to % of PBS; Stats: Three-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni-adjusted post hoc test comparing condition to PBS (data not shown), Next gen siRNA significantly lower than PBS at both time points for all tissues at  $P < 0.0001$  level; Immunohistochemical analysis of FFPE Mouse Brain tissue labeling App protein (Color Brown) with CS#19389 followed by a ready to use Polymer-HRP 2<sup>nd</sup> Detection antibody. Nuclei were counterstained with Hematoxylin (Color Blue). Single 100 µg ICV injection



# Wave siRNA demonstrates more potent and durable silencing as compared to published state-of-the-art



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Anticipated upcoming  
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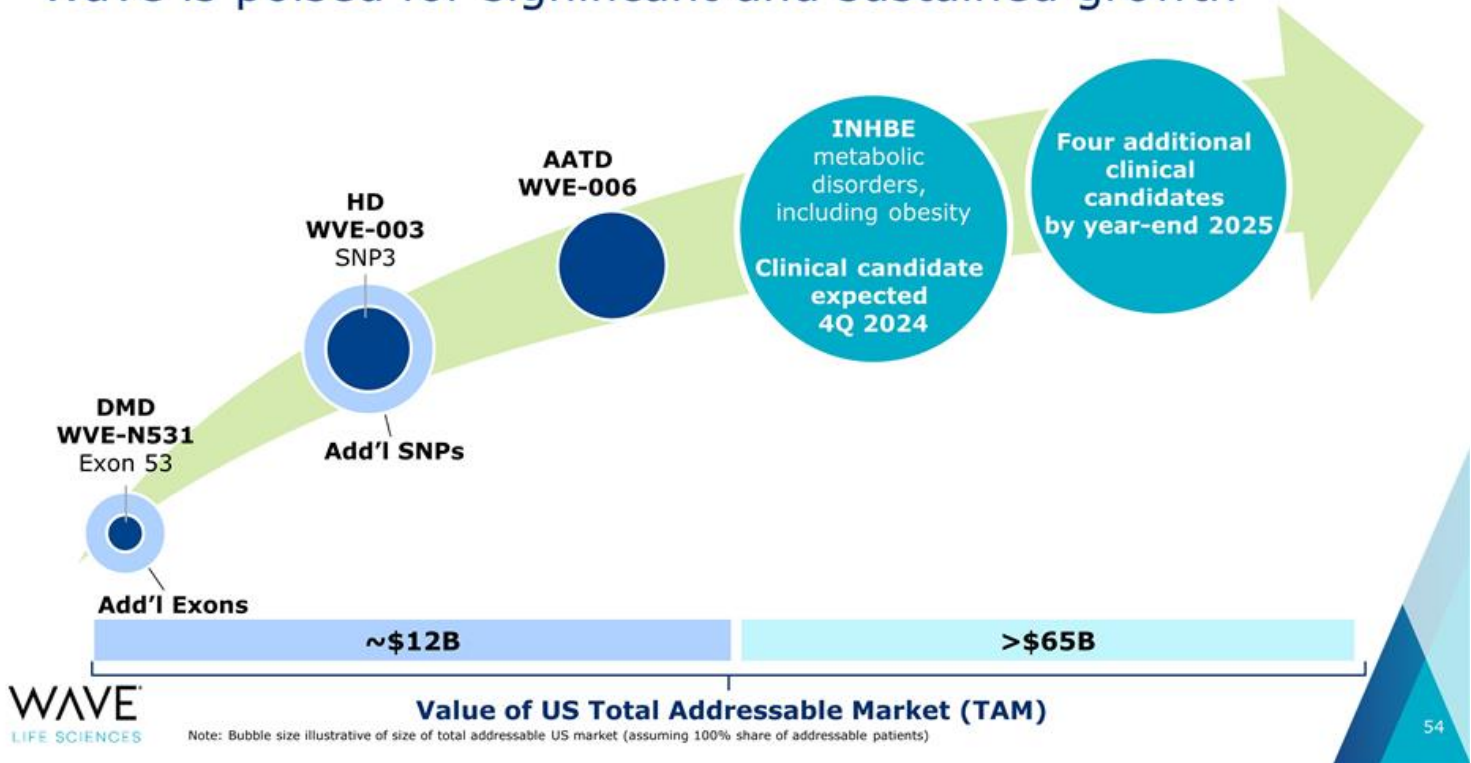
# Anticipated upcoming milestones

<b>WVE-006 (AATD)</b> Most advanced RNA editing candidate & potential best-in-class approach for AATD	<b>4Q 2023:</b> Initiate dosing in healthy volunteers in RestorAATion clinical program <b>2024:</b> Deliver proof-of-mechanism data from RestorAATion clinical program
<b>WVE-N531 (DMD)</b> Potential best-in-class approach with highest exon skipping reported	<b>2023:</b> Initiate dosing in potentially registrational FORWARD-53 Phase 2 clinical trial <b>2024:</b> Deliver data from FORWARD-53 clinical trial
<b>WVE-003 (HD)</b> First-in-class mHTT lowering, wtHTT-sparing approach	<b>2Q 2024:</b> Deliver data from 30 mg multi-dose cohort with extended follow up, along with all single-dose data
<b>INHBE Program (Metabolic disorders, including obesity)</b> Driven by clinical genetics, with potential to be next-generation therapeutic for obesity	<b>4Q 2024:</b> Select INHBE clinical candidate

## Discovery Pipeline & Collaborations

Advance collaboration activities with GSK, with potential for additional cash inflows in 2023 and beyond  
Select five new clinical candidates by year-end 2025, including INHBE

# Wave is poised for significant and sustained growth



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