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Driving scientific breakthroughs into powerful precision medicines for ALS and other neurodegenerative diseases

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# **Groundbreaking** science

Next-gen precision medicines developed by **human disease models** pioneered by QurAlis founders

Targeting RNA restoration in validated genetic disease resulting from mis-splicing targets in neurodegeneration and beyond

Proprietary FlexASO® platform can potential expand to additional RNA restoration therapies



# First & best-in-class programs

Multiple programs in the clinic with near-term data readouts

Three first-in-class programs for sporadic ALS on novel genetic targets

Utilizing **biomarkers** for patient selection, target engagement, and efficacy



# World-class team to execute

Experienced executive team

UNC13A partnership with Lilly underscores value of FlexASO® platform

\$143.5M equity raised, in addition to Lilly partnership upfront



# Advancing precision neuroscience pipeline across multiple clinical and preclinical programs

Program	MOA	Indication	Upcoming Milestone(s)	Discovery	IND- Enabling	Ph1 Safety / PoM <sup>1</sup>	Proof of Concept	Registration Studies	Partner
QRL-201	STMN2	ALS	ANQUR readout H1 2026						
QRL-101	Excitatory (Kv7)	ALS	Patient PoM <sup>1</sup> study topline Q3 2025						
		Epilepsy / Pain	Proof of Concept initiation H1 2026						
QRL-204	UNC13A	ALS / FTD	IND-enabling studies ongoing <sup>2</sup>						Lilly
QRL-TBA	FMR1	Fragile X	DC <sup>3</sup> 2026						
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<sup>1.</sup> PoM = Proof of Mechanism; 2. In partnership with Lilly; 3. DC = development candidate nomination

### QurAlis' expertise and technologies enable two distinct franchises

Pursuing treatment for CNS disorders with innovative biology and proven modalities

### Ion Channel Recovery

(small molecule)

- Neurological disorders often result from ion channel dysfunction
- Kv7.2/7.3 potassium channel is a drug target for >10 high unmet need indications, multiple indications with clinical validation, including:
  - >50% of ALS
  - Epilepsy
  - Pain
  - Mood disorders
- Highly selective Kv7.2/7.3 opener well positioned as potential best-in-class therapeutic:
  - High selectivity, lack of off-target engagement controls AE rates
  - Formulations optimized for different indications

### **RNA** Restoration

(antisense oligonucleotide, "ASO")

- Potential to develop first-in-class and best-in-class medicines through FlexASO<sup>®</sup> platform
  - Active antisense oligonucleotide (ASO) candidates in Phase 1 (1x) and FIH-enabling studies (1x)
- Specifically addresses mis-splicing targets which underly biology of neurodegenerative diseases including:
  - TDP-43-opathies
  - Tau-opathies
  - Fragile X syndrome
- Multiple candidates generated to date with reproduceable path to IND and Proof of Concept (PoC)
  - Includes QRL-204 (UNC13A) program licensed to Eli Lilly



### Pioneers with unrelenting commitment to patients



Kasper Roet, PhD CEO Co-founder







Emma Bowden, PhD Head of Development











Jason Brown, MBA CFO









Hagen Cramer, PhD CTO











Dan Elbaum, PhD CSO













Vikas Sharma, PhD CBO













Robin Wojcieszek, R.Ph. Head of Regulatory Affairs & Drug Safety













# Supported and recognized by investors, pharma, and industry



### Investors





















MP Healthcare Venture Management, Inc.

Mitsubishi Tanabe Pharma Group







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### Awards









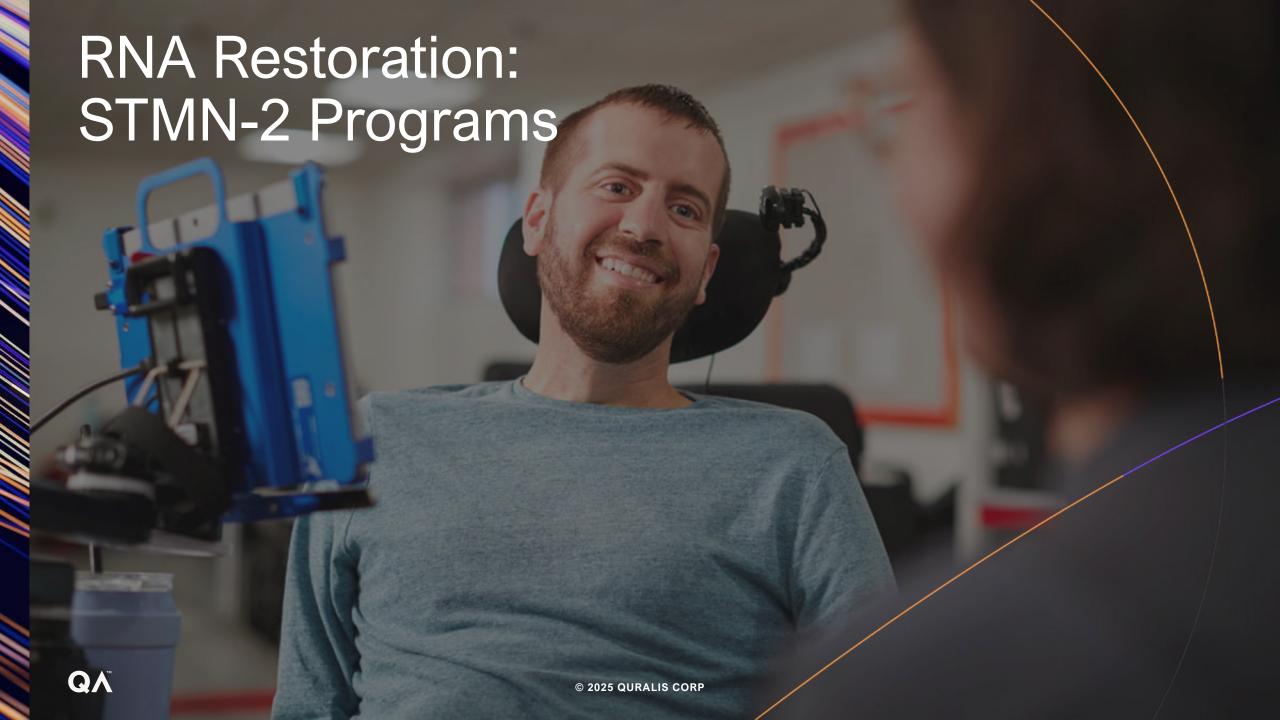


QRL-101 in-license QRL-204 out-license



Fragile X

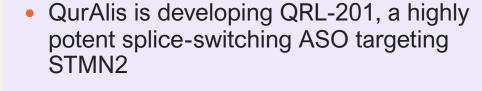




### STMN2-targeting ASO leads RNA restoration franchise

STMN2 is the most consistently downregulated gene in sporadic ALS patients

- Restoration of STMN2 pre-mRNA missplicing through ASO treatment restores neuronal processes, Golgi outposts, and protects neuronal activity in human motor neurons with TDP-43 pathology
- Genetic target in sporadic ALS (90% of patients) and FTD (50% of patients) as well as Alzheimer's disease (~33% of patients)
- Two approved ASO therapies for motor neuron diseases (Spinraza® for SMA and Qalsody® for ALS) demonstrate that an ASO therapy strategy to restore STMN2 in ALS patients is technologically feasible



- MAD study (ANQUR) expanded to dose range-finding portion (at two dose levels) and ongoing with favorable safety and tolerability profile to date
- Multiple biomarkers under assessment to support future development strategy
- QurAlis retains full global rights; CoM patent through 2039 plus potential PTE, pending issuance



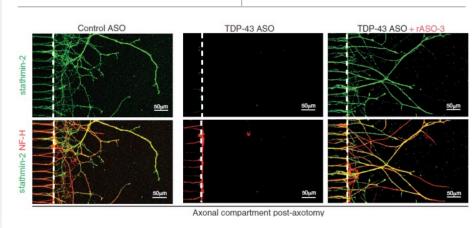


# Restoration of STMN2 levels by ASO is a promising therapeutic strategy for the majority of ALS patients

QRL-201 restores full-length STMN2 and protects neurons from degeneration phenotypes

Breakthrough discovery shows TDP-43 driven neurodegenerative phenotypes caused by STMN2 loss

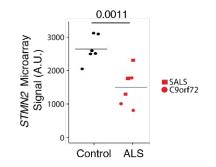
Loss of TDP-43 from the nucleus (ALS hallmark) leads to loss of STMN2 TDP-43 loss causes loss of axons; rescue by restoring STMN2 levels



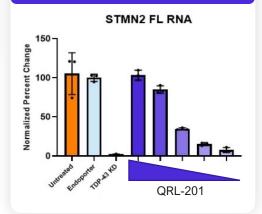
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### STMN2 is downregulated in ALS patients

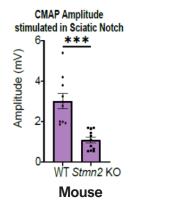
Highley et al 2014 Microarray Laser Capture Motor neuron

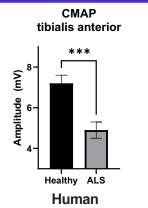


#### QRL-201 restores STMN2



### Loss of STMN2 leads to denervation of muscles as measured by CMAP Amplitude





#### QRL-201 restores neuronal processes



TDP-43 Pathology



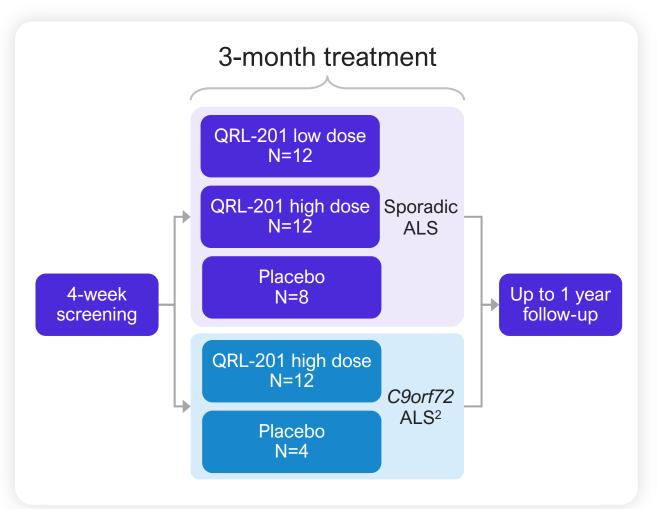
TDP-43 Pathology +QRL-201 (STMN2 Rescue)



# ANQUR study progressed to dose range-finding phase, focused on signal detection and safety

AnQur

Enrollment initiated, interim data<sup>1</sup> expected H1 2026



Design	Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled		
Population	32 sporadic ALS patients 16 <i>C9orf72</i> ALS patients		
□ □ □ Criteria	Symptom onset within 24 months of screening Slow vital capacity >50% Clinical evidence of low motor neuron involvement Stable dose of current treatment during study		
Endpoints	1º: Safety & tolerability 2º: Efficacy & biomarker panel		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> C9orf72 patients are a homogenous population with consistently decreased STMN2 levels



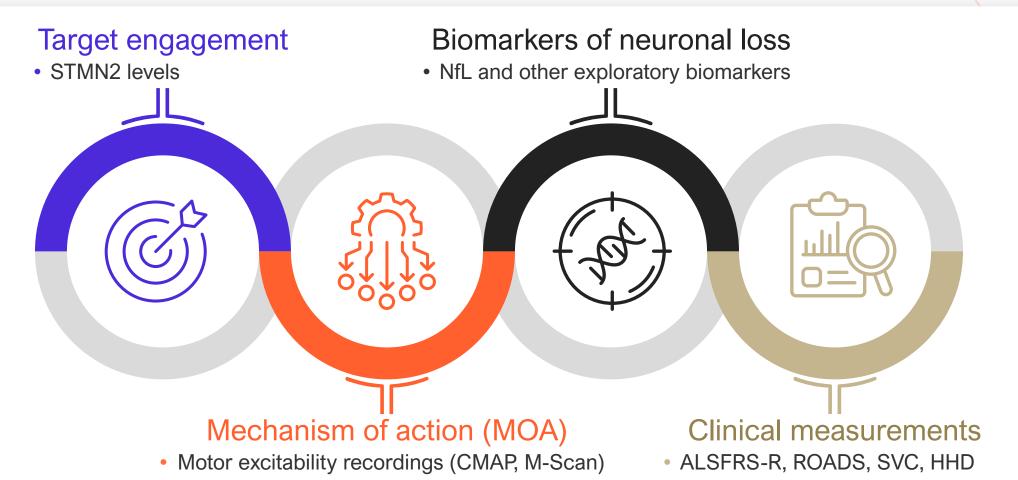
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exact interim data cut to be finalized

# Combination of clinical readouts and extensive biomarker analysis to inform optimal registrational studies

Established NMJ innervation measurements

(STMN2 MOA / efficacy)





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Ventilation assistance-free survival

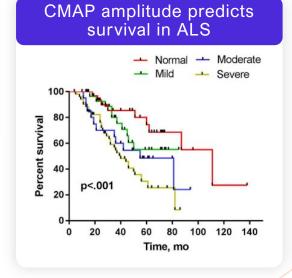
Time-to-event measures

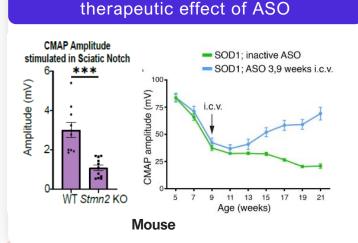
### CMAP is a powerful disease progression and efficacy biomarker that measures muscle innervation in ALS

### CMAP amplitude measures signal strength from nerve to muscle: number of innervating fibers 5 mV/div, 3 ms/div Amplitudes at 9.5 mV recording sites: 100% SNAP/CMAP ratio (%) 8.0 mV A. Wrist 0.55% 7.6 mV B. Elbow 0.33% C. Axilla 0.2%

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#### CMAP is used to monitor disease progression in ALS patients Healthy subject ALS **CMAP** S5 S50 S95 tibialis anterior Max CMAP Amplitude (mV) Stimulus Intensity (mA) Stimulus intensity (mA) Healthy ALS





CMAP amplitude can show



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### QRL-201 key take-aways



STMN2 is the most consistently observed mis-spliced protein in sporadic ALS leading to loss of function



Downregulation and loss of STMN2 alone in mice leads to loss of muscle innervation, motor neuron axonopathy and muscle atrophy, all hallmarks of ALS



QRL-201 restores STMN2 levels in human ALS motor neurons



Preliminary cohorts in the ANQUR study demonstrate that QRL-201 can be well tolerated in ALS patients at exposures far above the predicted minimally efficacious exposure



A dose rangefinding study for QRL-201 is currently active in six countries with biomarkers that can measure efficacy in ALS patients

ANQUR study interim efficacy marker & safety data expected H1 2026 Next Ph2 / Ph3 study is a potential registrational study

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# Ion channel dysfunction is implicated across wide range of CNS disorders

Kv7.2/3 channel openers have validation across variety of diseases

- GSK's ezogabine was studied in multiple indications including pain, seizure, and mood disorders and marketed for partialonset seizures before being withdrawn (2017) for undesirable side effect profile, limiting commercial potential
- Further validation of Kv7.2/3 in epilepsy has been demonstrated by XEN1101 and other clinical programs
- Kv7.2/7.3 compound flupirtine was also approved in Europe for 6 different pain indications



- QurAlis is developing QRL-101, a highly selective Kv7.2/3 channel opener:
  - High affinity to Kv7.2/3
  - Lack of affinity for GABA-A receptors and other Kv7 subtypes
  - Human target engagement observed in Phase 1 studies relevant for ALS, epilepsy, and pain

Wainger BJ, Macklin EA, Vucic S, et al. *JAMA Neurol.* 2021;78(2):186–196. doi:10.1001/jamaneurol.2020.4300



### Proof of mechanism in healthy volunteers (QRL-101-05)

Evidence of both central & peripheral target engagement

#### mNETT (Threshold Tracking) (ALS / Pain)

- Several measures were significantly altered by QRL-101 demonstrating inhibitory effects on peripheral nerve excitability
- SDTC, Rheobase, and several other measures appeared to have a dose dependent response

#### Passive EEG (Epilepsy)

- Little to no activation of the slow wave frequency (delta and theta) associated with sedation and GABA-A activation

#### TMS-EMG & TMS-EEG (ALS / Epilepsy)

- ICF TMS-EMG had statistically significant change with QRL-101 treatment
- Statistically significant changes to TMS Evoked Potential (TEP)

#### Safety & tolerability

- Adverse event (AE) profile consistent with prior studies of QRL-101, no serious AEs or discontinuations due to AEs
- No clinically meaningful signal of somnolence or persistent dizziness has been observed in any study of QRL-101 to date
- Formulation work has resulted in lower cMax, while maintaining AUC, to alleviate GI AEs seen with liquid formulation

#### CONTEXT

Inhibition of nerve excitability

Target engagement & brain penetration

No sedative effects

Effect inhibition/ excitability ratio

Target engagement & brain penetration

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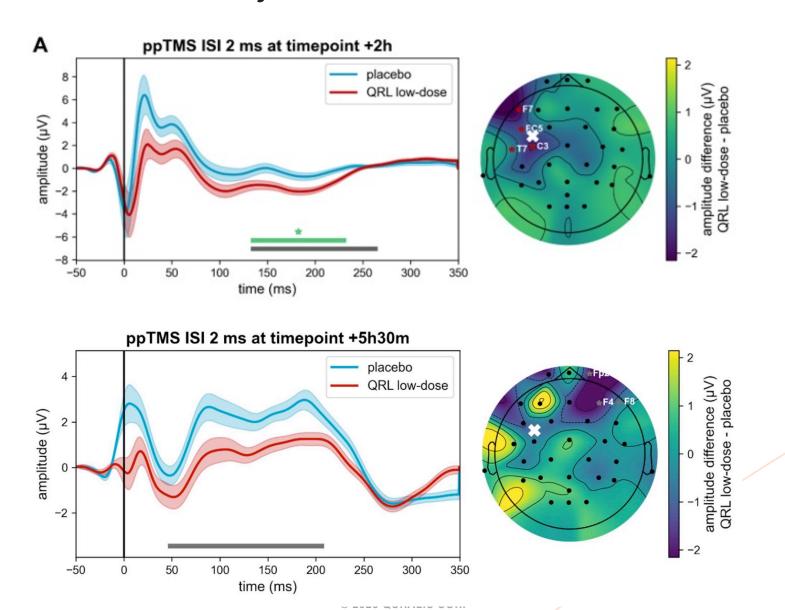
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Summary of analysis results – strong biomarker readouts for epilepsy, pain, and ALS

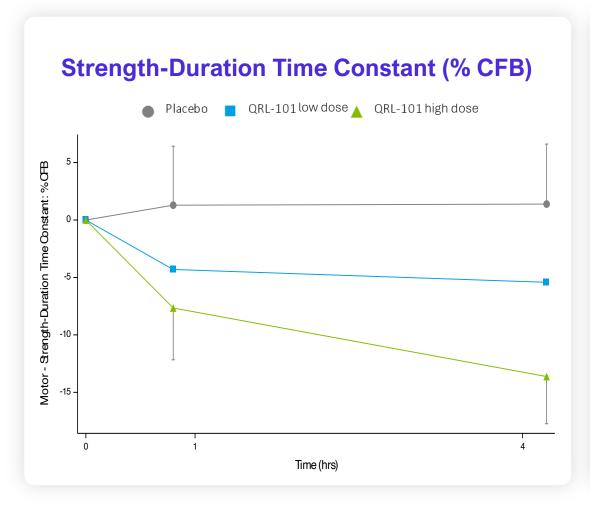
			p-value treatment v. placebo	
Indication	PD measure	Low Dose	High Dose	
Pain/ALS	Refractoriness at 2.5 ms (%)	<0.0001	<0.0001	
Pain/ALS	Refractory period (ms)	0.0002	<0.0001	
Pain/ALS	Superexcitability (%)	0.001	<0.0001	
Pain/ALS	Superexcitability at 7 msec (%)	0.0016	<0.0001	
Pain/ALS	Superexcitability at 5 msec (%)	0.0024	<0.0001	
Pain/ALS	Strength-Duration Time Constant (ms) SDTC	0.0039	<0.0001	
Pain/ALS	Hyperpolarizing I/V-slope	0.0057	<0.0001	
Pain/ALS	Stimulus-Response\Slope	0.0128	0.0001	
Pain/ALS	Subexcitability (%)	0.0091	0.0002	
Pain/ALS	Accommodation Half-Time (ms)	0.03	0.0011	
Pain/ALS	Refractoriness at 2 ms (%)	0.0001	0.0019	
Pain/ALS	Rheobase (mAmp)	0.3858	0.0068	
Pain/ALS	TEd40-60 (%)	0.3991	0.0221	
Pain/ALS	Resting I/V-Slope	0.3635	0.0237	
Pain/ALS	Motor Stimulus for 50% max response or Threshold Current (mAmp)	0.6093	0.0285	
Epilepsy/ALS	TMS-EMG Intracortical Facilitation (ICF) at 15 ms (%)	0.0071	0.0486	
Epilepsy	TMS-TEP 0-300ms	0.001	0.03	
Epilepsy	TMS-TEP N100	0.02	0.002	
Epilepsy	TMS-TEP P180	0.002	0.06	
Epilepsy	EEG Beta-power Fz-Cz eyes closed (dB)	0.0318	0.0067	
Epilepsy	EEG Gamma-power Pz-O2 eyes closed (dB)	0.0154	0.0083	

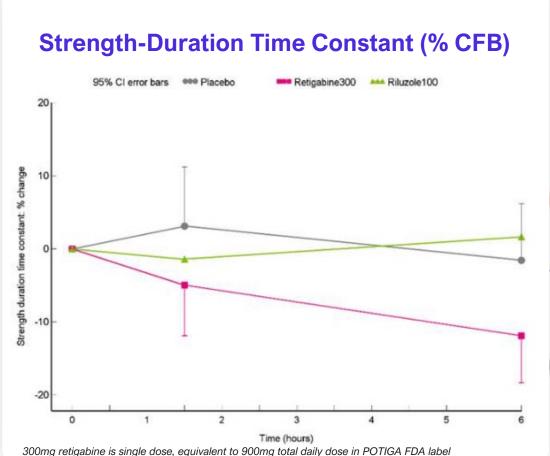
p-value < 0.05

# QRL-101 shows inhibition in TEP measurements even at the low dose of the PoM study



# QRL-101 is ~50% more potent than retigabine/Ezogabine on peripheral excitability biomarker SDTC in humans

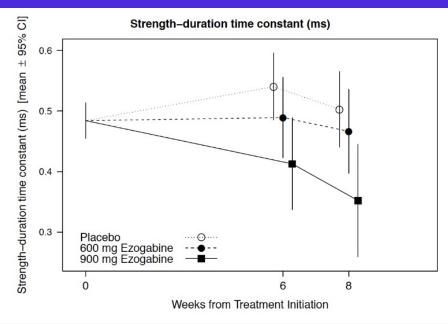




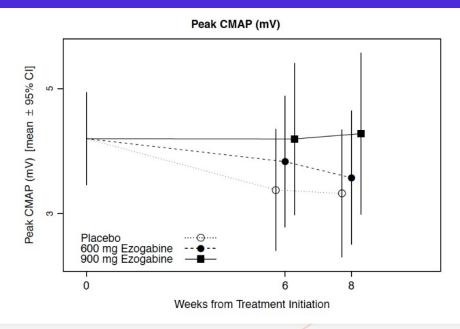
### Kv7 is a clinically validated target in ALS

Ezogabine published trial results<sup>1</sup> (n= 65 patients) validated the importance of reducing hyperexcitability through Kv7

Statistically significant<sup>2</sup> dose-dependent effects on biomarkers that predict patient survival



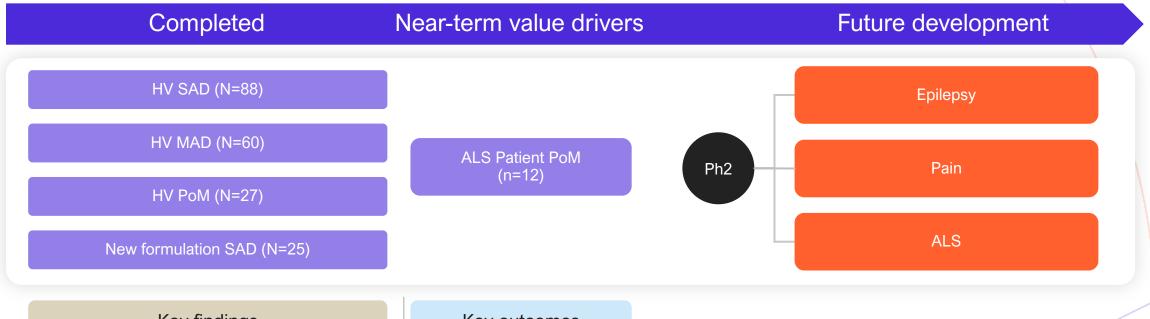
Statistically significant<sup>2</sup> impact on critical disease progression & efficacy biomarker (CMAP)



Nearly all (97%) participants in the trial reported at least one adverse event Most frequent adverse events among participants in the ezogabine arms were fatigue and dizziness

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# Phase 1 data package supports advancement into epilepsy, pain, and ALS



### Key findings

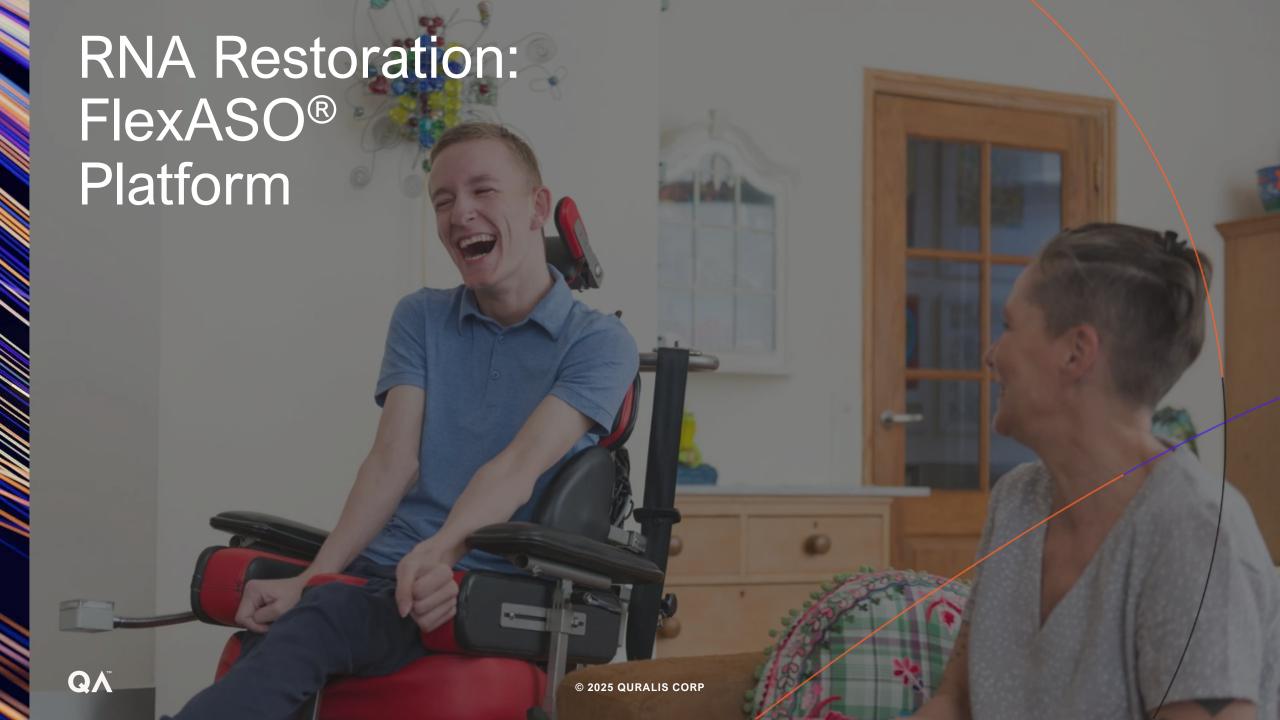
- Generally well tolerated, large majority of AEs were mild in nature, no treatment-emergent SAEs
- New formulations demonstrates decrease in cMax and increase AUC compared to liquid
- Biomarker validation across multiple disease models in HVs (ALS, Pain, Epilepsy)

#### Key outcomes

 Biomarker validation in ALS patients

SAD: Single Ascending Dose; MAD: Multiple Ascending Dose; PoM: Proof of Mechanism; PoC: Proof of Concept; PK/FE: Pharmacokinetics / Food Effect; HVs: Healthy Volunteers





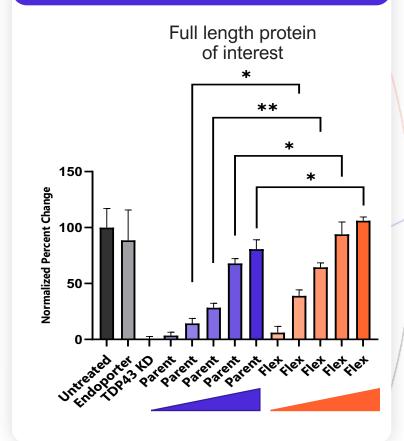
# Flex ASO® is the leading splice-modulation platform to restore RNA

FlexASO® is a proprietary ASO splice-modulator platform that incorporates a unique backbone, providing advantages over traditional ASOs

Attributes	Flex ASO	Traditional ASO	
Size			
Therapeutic Effect	<b>√ √</b>	<b>√</b>	
Toxicity	<b>√ √</b>	<b>√</b>	
CMC	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
Distribution	<b>√ √</b>	Known for spinal cord and frontal cortex	

Potential to overcome modality-specific, dose-limiting toxicities

FlexASO® demonstrates statistically significant increase in RNA restoration vs. parent



# Genetic understanding of diseases and tech breakthroughs generate opportunity to develop RNA restoration therapies

### **Technological** breakthroughs



Patient-derived human disease models increase probability of success



Technology to potentially support 2x / year dosing has been developed (e.g., FlexASO® tech.)



Technology to cross bloodbrain-barrier has matured (e.g., transferrin receptor)



therapies

### **RNA** restoration oligonucleotides targets

Diseases caused by mis-splicing (e.g., SMA, ALS, FTD, Fragile X, PSP)



Diseases caused by haploinsufficiency (e.g., Dravet)



Previously undruggable targets for large indications



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