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modifying medicines for  
degenerative disorders**

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# Multiple Rigorous Phase 2 Programs Underway

| Clinical Study  | Indication              | US Prevalence | Grant Funding* |                      |
|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------------|
| SEQUEL (n=23)   | Mild-moderate AD        | ~ 5 million   | \$5.4 Million  | ✓ Recently Completed |
| SHINE (n=144)   | Mild-moderate AD        | ~ 5 million   | \$30 Million   |                      |
| START (n=540)   | Early AD                | ~ 3.4 million | \$81 Million   | ✓ Site Activated     |
| SHIMMER (n=120) | Mild-moderate DLB       | ~ 1.4 million | \$30 Million   |                      |
| MAGNIFY (n=246) | GA secondary to dry AMD | ~ 1.5 million | Equity         | ✓ FPI Enrolled       |

\*Grant funding through completion of studies

# Compelling Investment Thesis

## Novel Approach Validated Science

Protect synapses from  
toxic proteins and other  
stressors to facilitate  
restoration of  
neuronal function

## Strong Financials

\$170+ Million in  
cumulative non-dilutive  
grant funding  
  
Expected cash  
runway into 2H2024

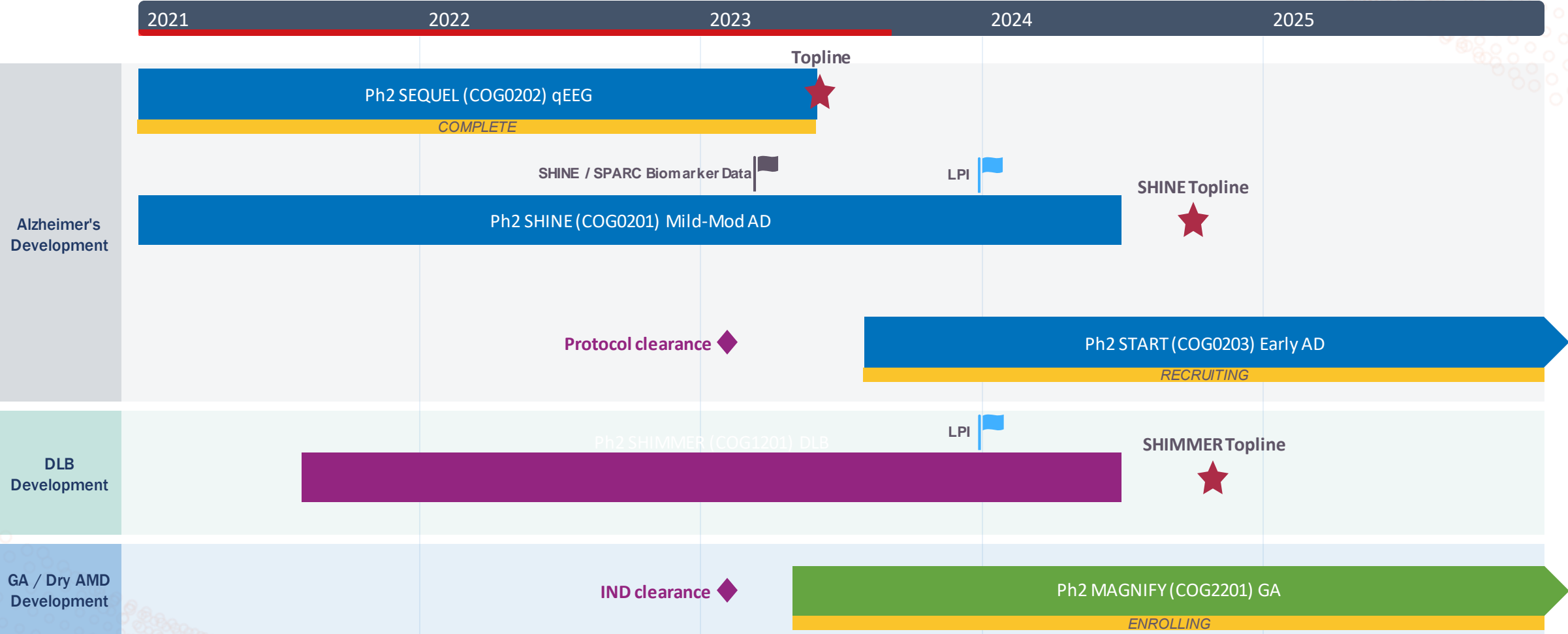
## CT1812 Oral Once-Daily

Oligomer receptor: well  
characterized target  
  
Highly brain penetrant  
  
Selective and  
saturable binding  
  
IP through 2035  
(potential PTE > 2040)

## Development Focused on Major Commercial Ops

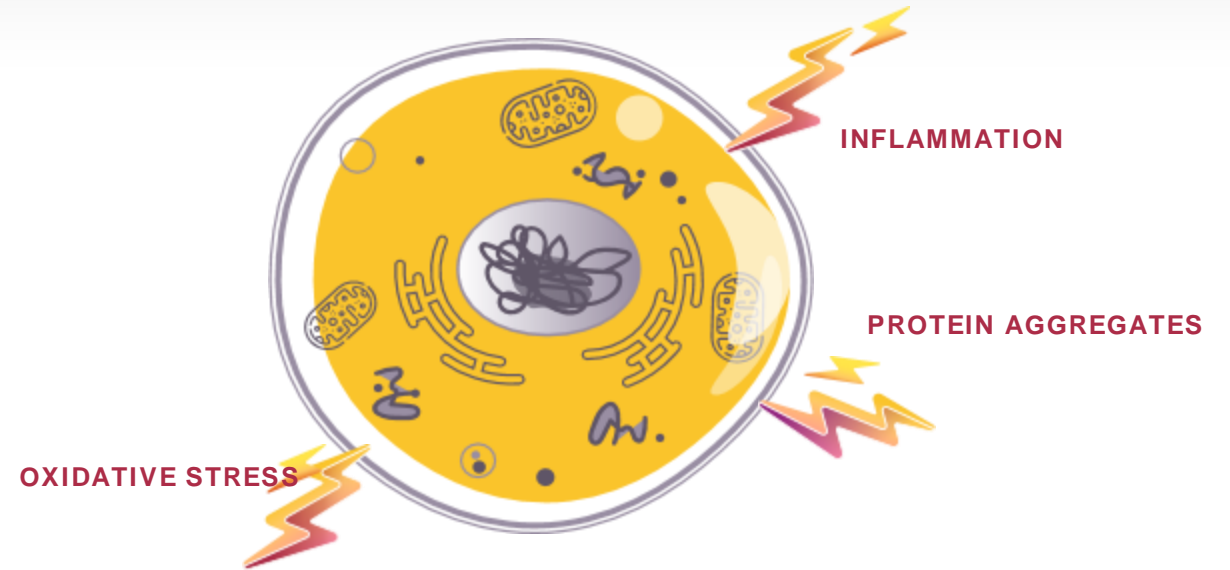
Four ongoing Ph2 trials  
AD, DLB, GA/dry AMD  
are significant  
conditions with large  
patient populations

# CGTX Near-term Catalysts



# Pathogenic Proteins, Oxidative Stress, Inflammation Accumulate with Age

- Build-up of these stressors impairs key cellular functions:
  - Autophagy
  - Cholesterol synthesis
  - Protein trafficking
- Loss of these processes leads to neuronal degeneration and death
- **Neuronal loss** drives declines in cognition, vision and motor functions in diseases like Alzheimer's disease, DLB and dry AMD



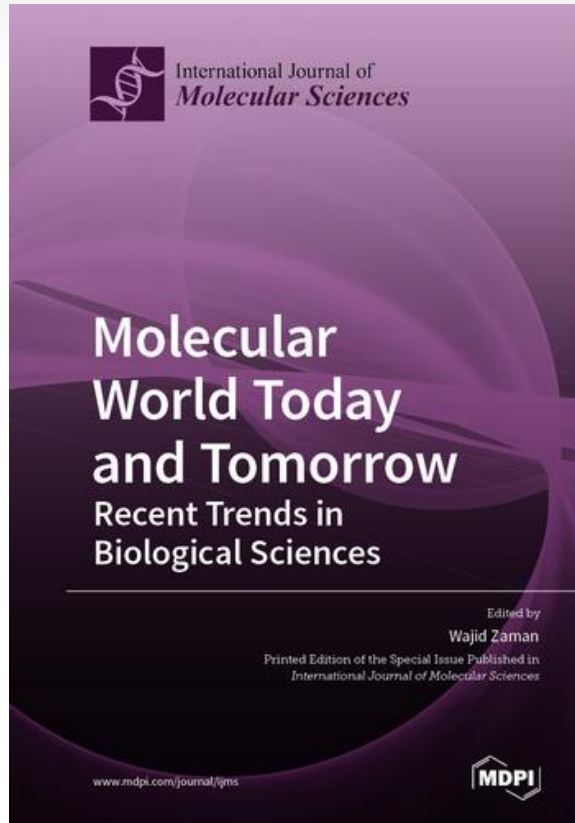


# Loss of Specialized Neurons Drives Degenerative CNS Diseases

- Over time, pathogenic proteins, oxidative stress, and inflammation damage neurons:
  - Cortical & hippocampal neurons in Alzheimer's disease
  - These as well as dopaminergic neurons in Parkinson's disease and dementia with Lewy bodies (DLB)
  - Photoreceptors, retinal ganglion cells in dry age-related macular degeneration (dry AMD)
- Cognition's aim:
  - Protect neurons in the CNS from toxic stressors



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## *Review*

### **Sigma-2 Receptors – From Basic Biology to Therapeutic Target: A Focus on Age-Related Degenerative Diseases**

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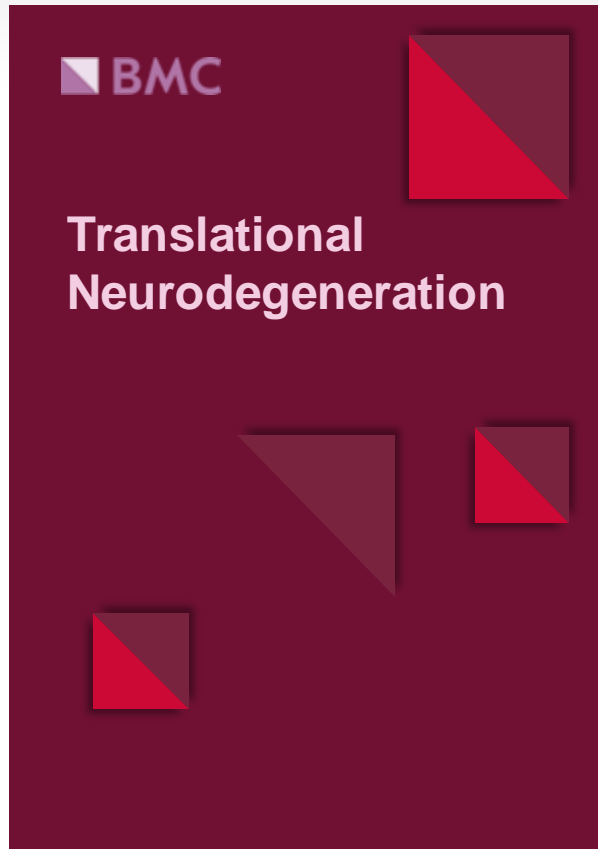
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**Abstract:** There is a large unmet medical need to develop disease-modifying treatment options for individuals with age-related degenerative diseases of the central nervous system. The sigma-2 receptor (S2R), encoded by *TMEM97*, is expressed in brain and retinal cells, and regulates cell functions via its co-receptor progesterone receptor membrane component 1 (PGRMC1), and through other protein–protein interactions. Studies describing functions of S2R involve the manipulation of expression or pharmacological modulation using exogenous small-molecule ligands. These studies demonstrate that S2R modulates key pathways involved in age-related diseases including autophagy, trafficking, oxidative stress, and amyloid- $\beta$  and  $\alpha$ -synuclein toxicity. Furthermore, S2R modulation can ameliorate functional deficits in cell-based and animal models of disease. This review summarizes the current evidence-based understanding of S2R biology and function, and its potential as a therapeutic target for age-related degenerative diseases of the central nervous system, including Alzheimer’s disease,  $\alpha$ -synucleinopathies, and dry age-related macular degeneration.



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## A phase 1b randomized clinical trial of CT1812 to measure A $\beta$ oligomer displacement in Alzheimer's disease using an indwelling CSF catheter

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**Trial Registration:** May 11th, 2018 ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT03522129 <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT03522129>.

Investigational therapies for Alzheimer's disease (AD) target a wide range of mechanisms, yet promising disease-modifying therapies remain a huge unmet need. Much evidence indicates that the oligomeric form of amyloid-beta (A $\beta$ ) is a toxic species contributing to AD

model leads to memory preservation [2, 3], and clinical benefit was in trials of lecanemab, which targets A $\beta$  oligomers and protofibrils [4], in AD patients, encouraging the continued development of A $\beta$  oligomer-targeting therapies.

CT1812 is a novel, small-molecule, brain-penetrant sigma-2 receptor (S2R) modulator that selectively prevents and displaces A $\beta$  oligomers from binding to neu-

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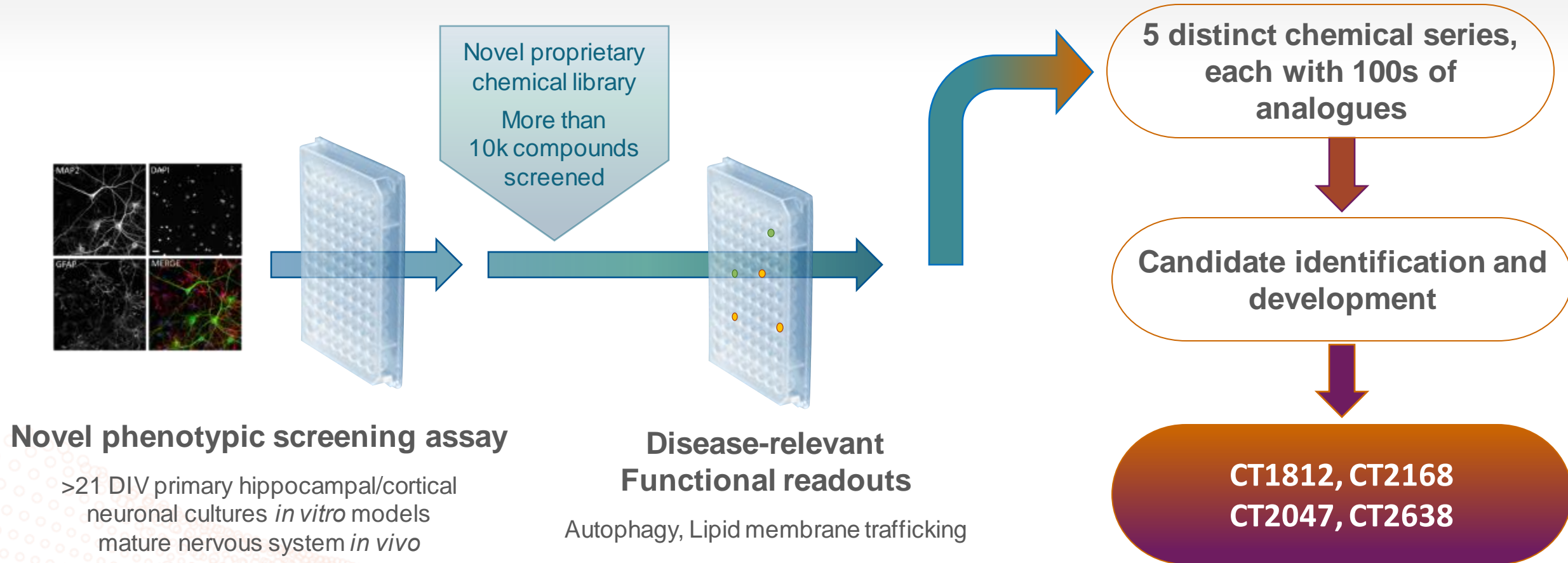
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# Platform Enabled Therapeutics Company Built on Novel Library & Screening Assay

*Extensive IP on candidates developed from foundational platform*



# Functional, Phenotypic Screening for Novel Drug Discovery

*Novel library and screening assay lead to characterization of  $\sigma$ -2 in neurological disease*

- Co-founders developed unique screening technology employed at Cognition
- Based on unbiased phenotypic screens in the target cell population of mature primary neurons
- Initial screens for compounds that stop or mitigate age-related damage led to the identification of CT1812
- Importantly this process also identified  $\sigma$ -2 receptors as key regulators of major damage response pathways integral to many neurodegenerative diseases

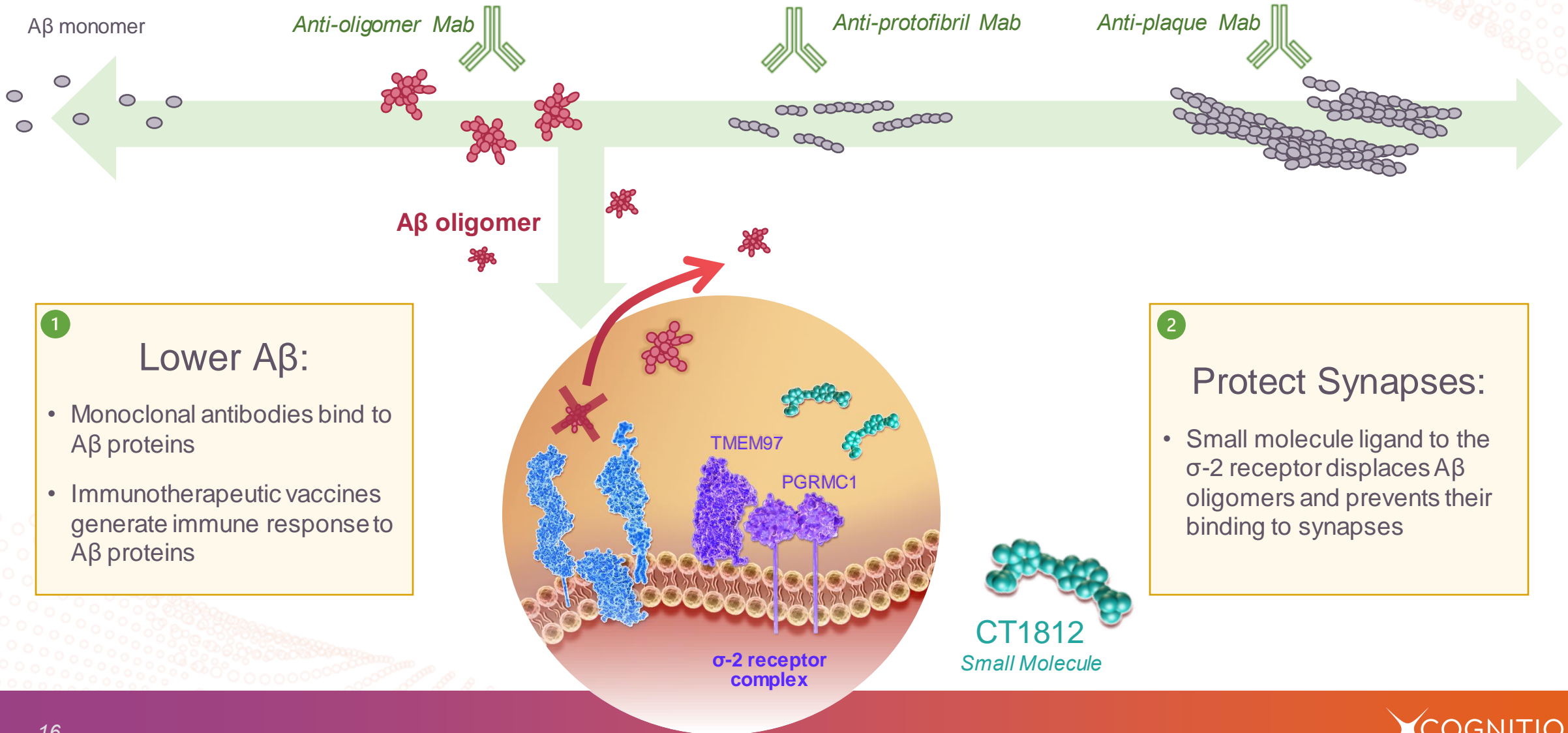
# Alzheimer's Disease

## Our Approach

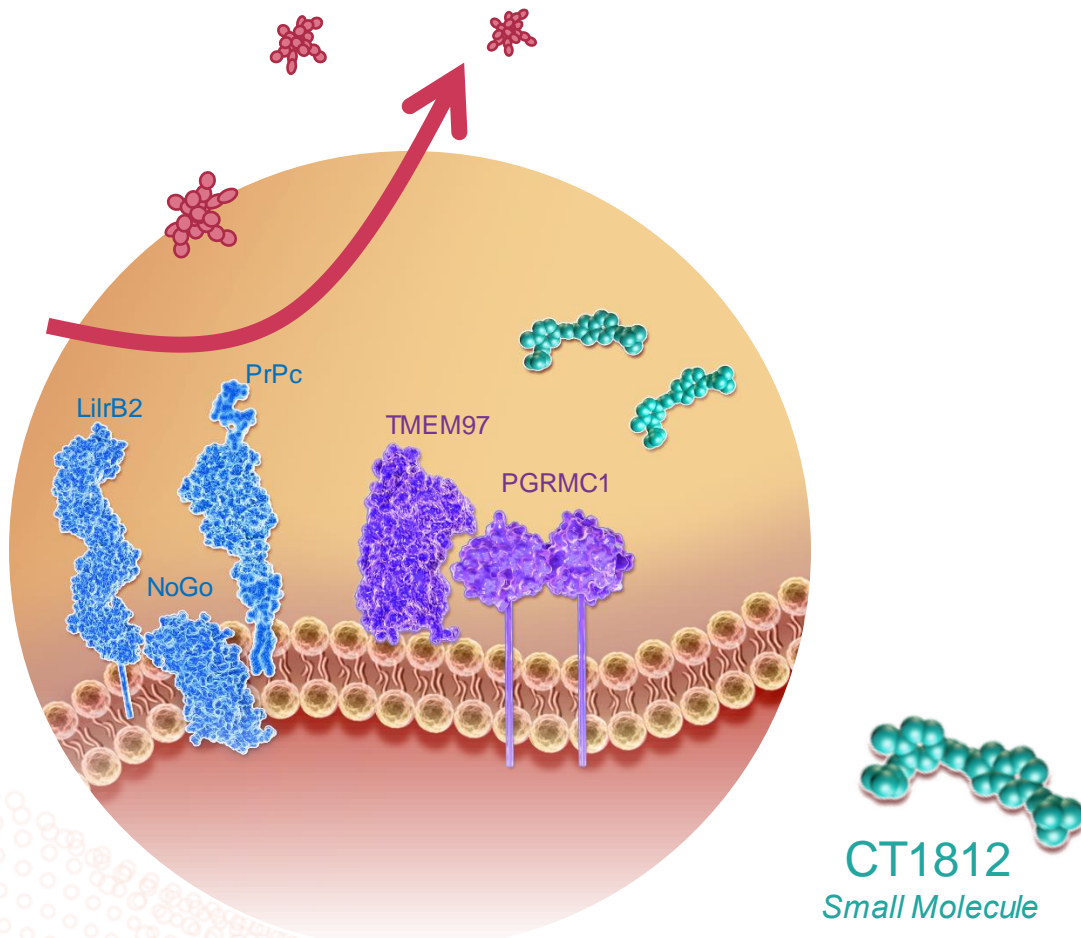




# Multiple Approaches Address Toxic Interaction at the Receptor



# CT1812 May Inhibit Oligomer-induced Toxicity



- Oral, QD small molecule
- Penetrates the blood-brain barrier (BBB)
- Binds selectively to the  $\sigma$ -2 receptor
- Displaces oligomers from neurons and prevents re-binding
- Facilitates restoration of neuronal function

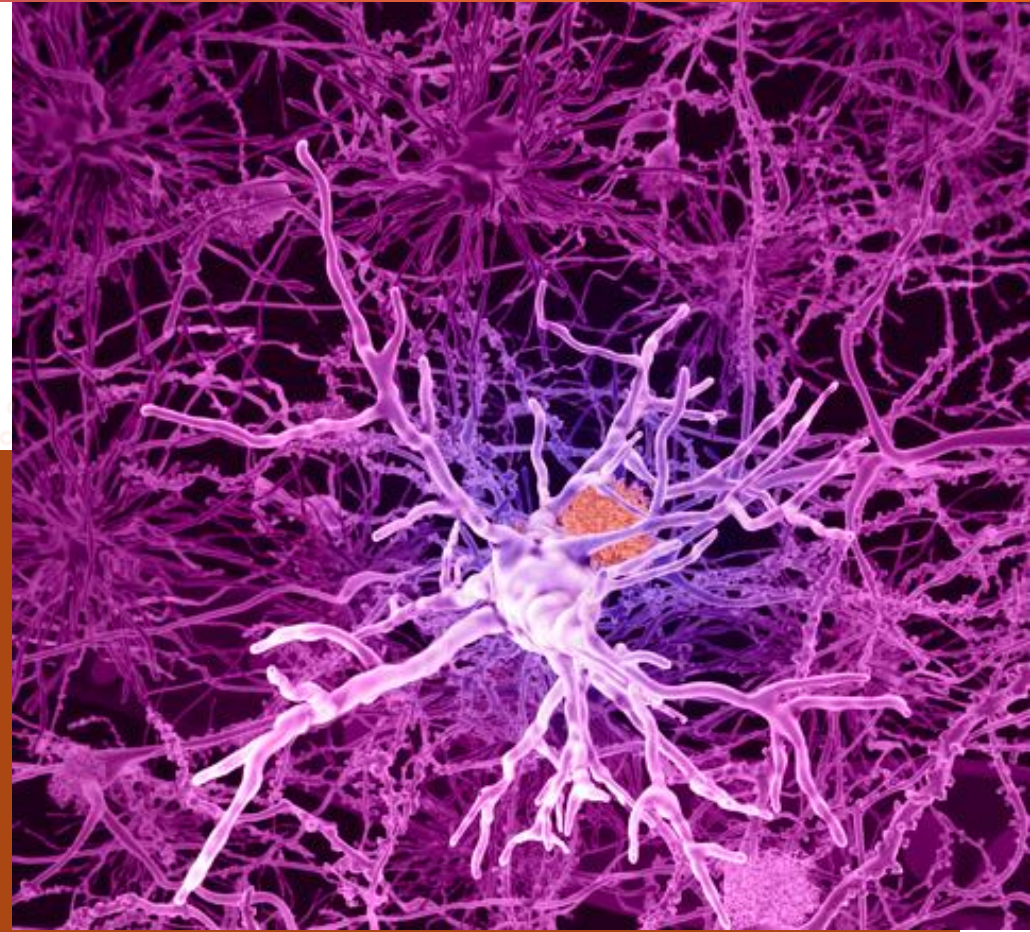
# Our MoA Video





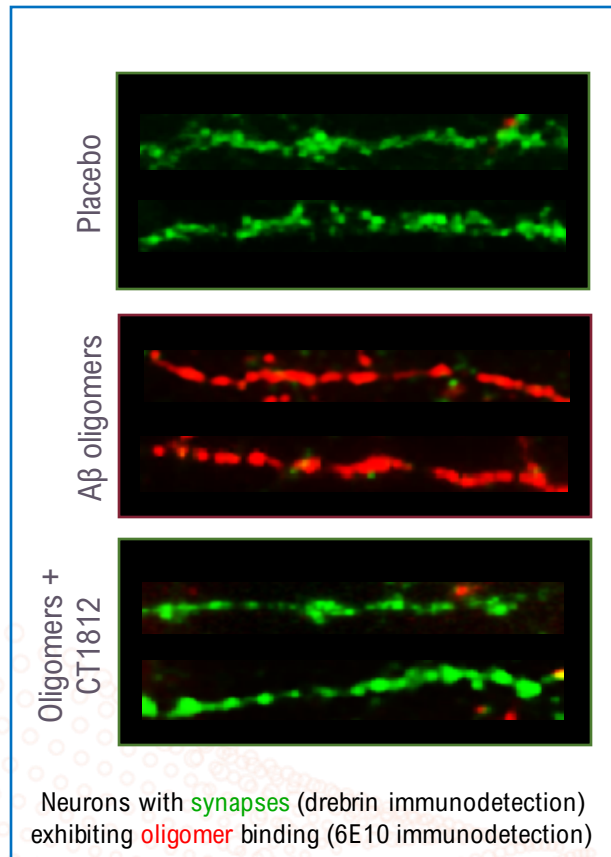
**CT1812:**

**Results from our Alzheimer's  
Disease Program:**  
*Preclinical*

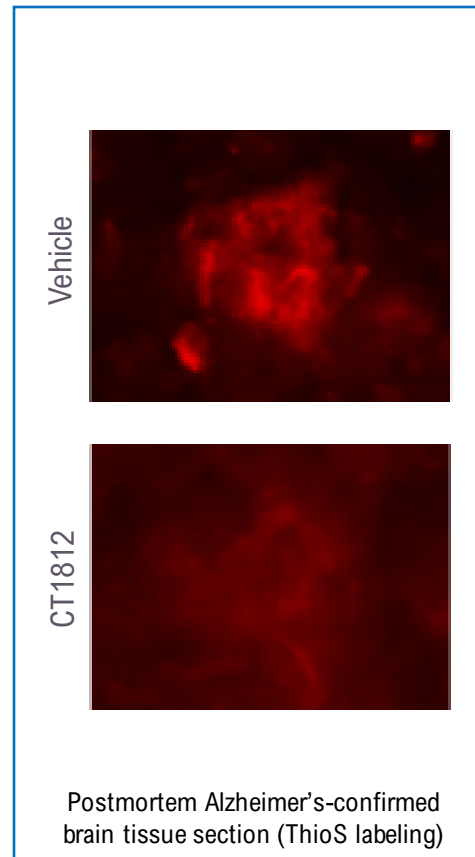


# Rigorous Testing Supports Hypothesis

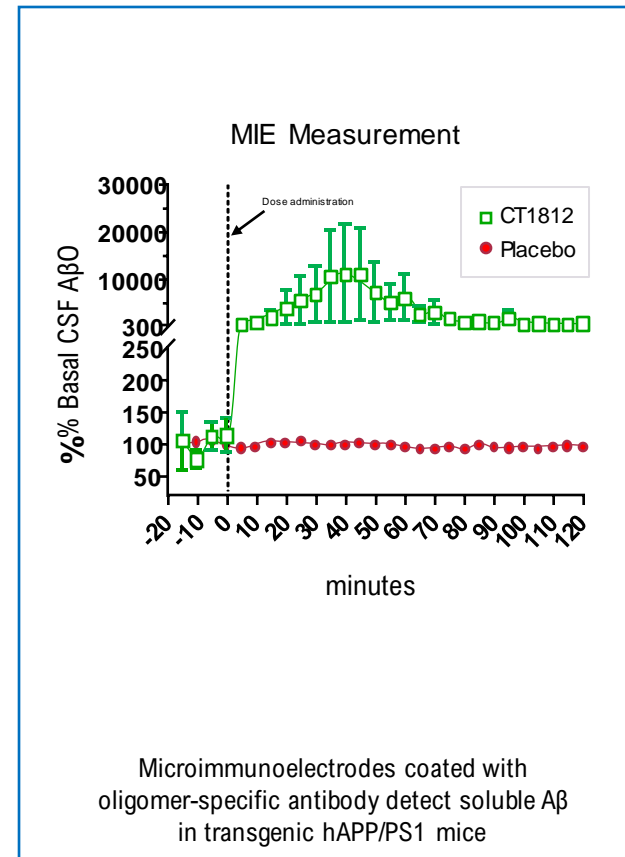
## CT1812 Displaces Oligomers from Synapses *in vitro*



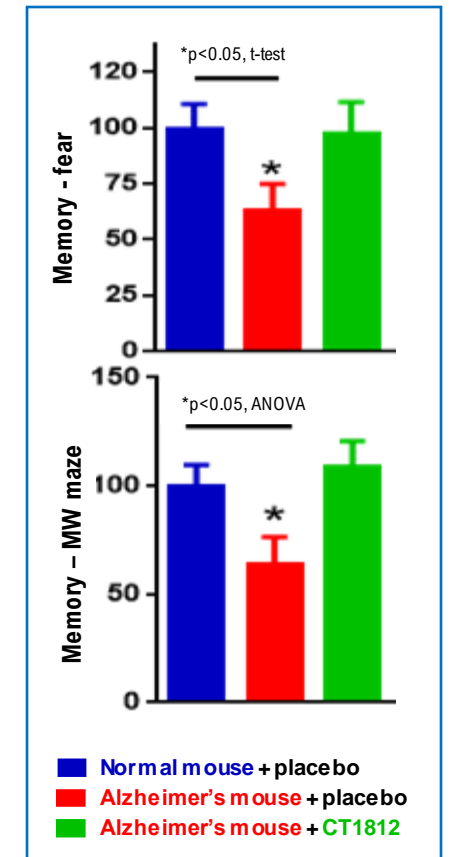
## Displaces Oligomers from AD Patient Brain Tissue



## Displaces Oligomers in Mouse Model of Alzheimer's Disease



## Restores Cognitive Function in Mice





# Unique Protective Effect: A673T-APP Mutation Supports CT1812 MoA



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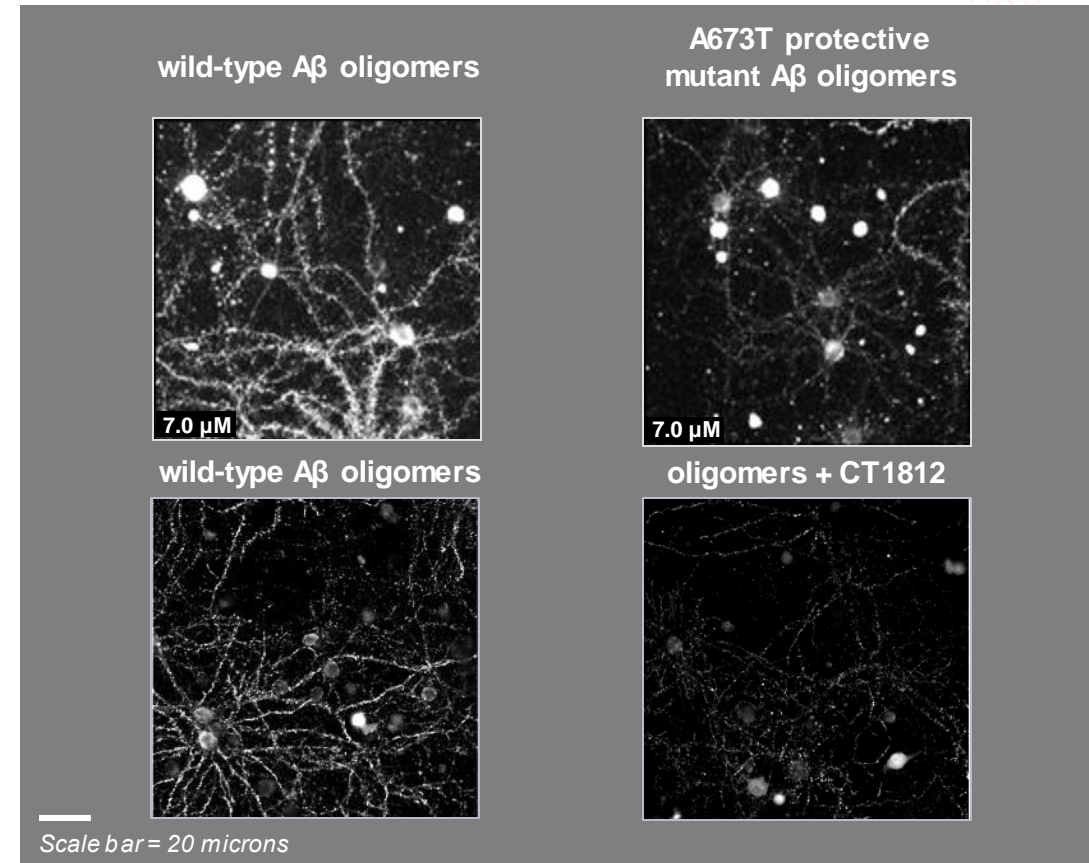
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## Alzheimer's protection effect of A673T mutation may be driven by lower A $\beta$ oligomer binding affinity

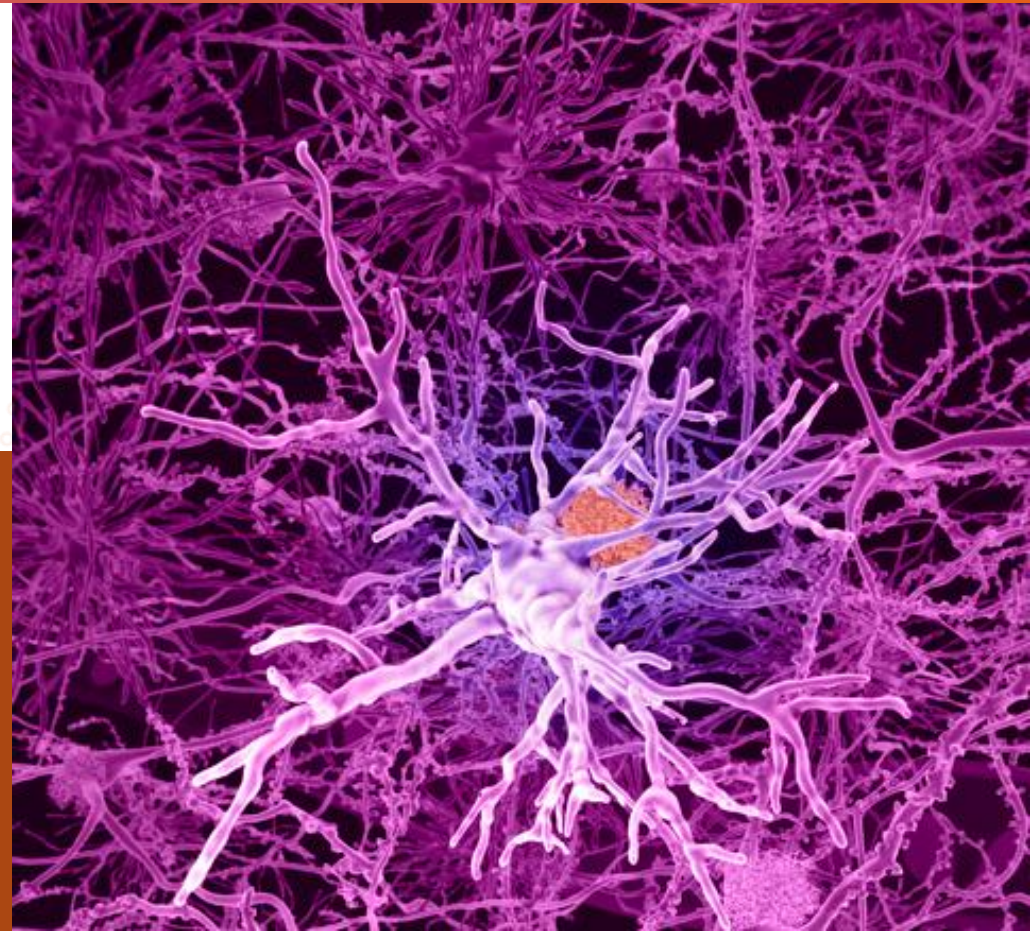
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- First variant associated with protection against Alzheimer's disease<sup>1</sup> – 'Icelandic Mutation'
- Mutant A $\beta$  oligomers bind with *four-fold lower affinity* to neuronal synapses than WT protein
- Carriers are *four times less likely* to get Alzheimer's disease than non-carriers<sup>2</sup>
- To our knowledge, CT1812 is the only drug that mimics the protective effects of this mutation



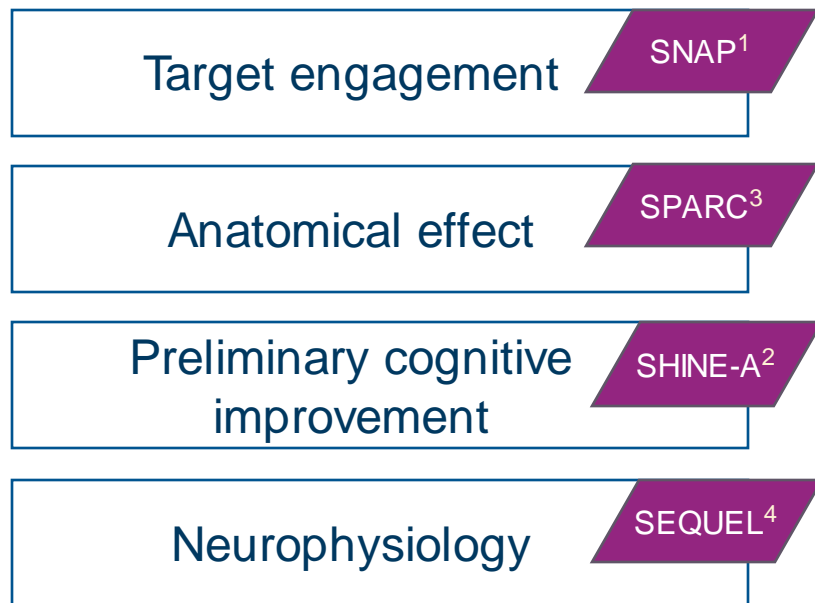
**CT1812:**

**Results from our Alzheimer's  
Disease Program:**  
*Clinical Findings*

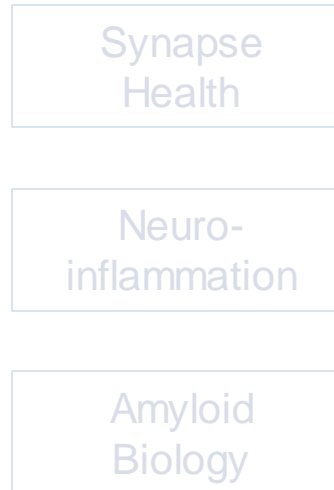


# Evidence Mounts of CT1812 Impact on Dementias

Studies of CT1812 to date  
present evidence of:



Biomarker evidence  
of effect on pathways<sup>2</sup>



NIA funded proof-of-  
concept studies ongoing:

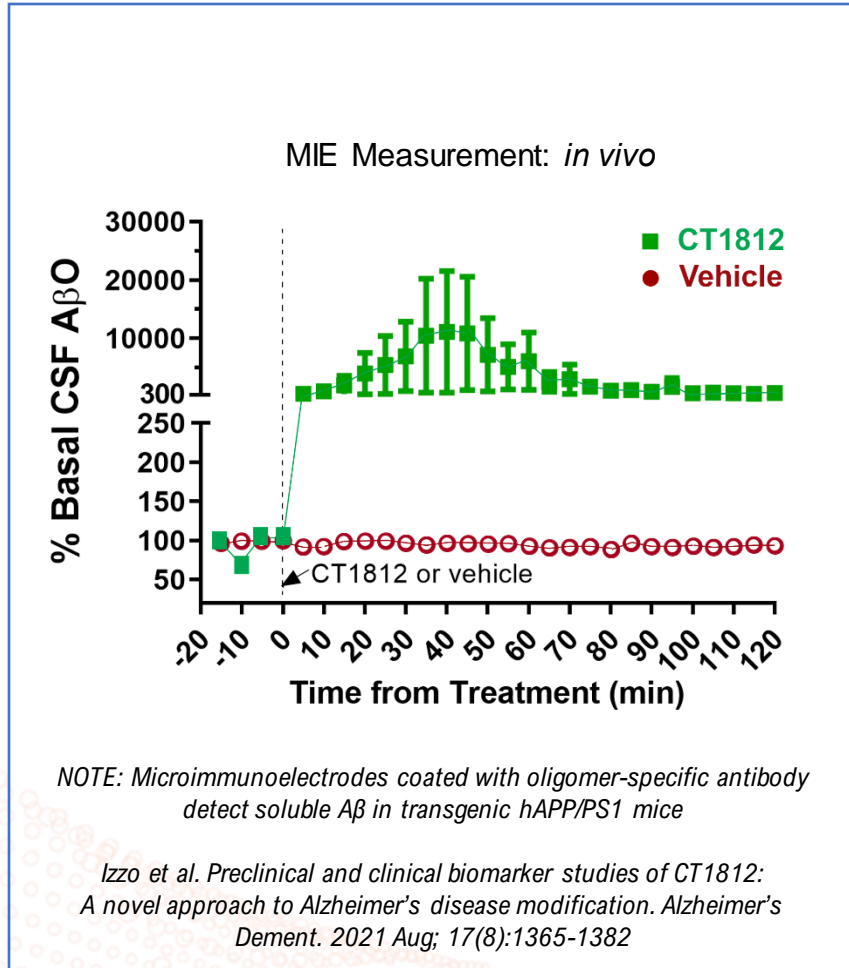


1. AD/PD™ 2022
2. LaBarbera, et al. *Transl Neurodegener* 2023
3. SPARC results submitted for publication
4. Abstract of SEQUEL imaging results submitted for upcoming presentation



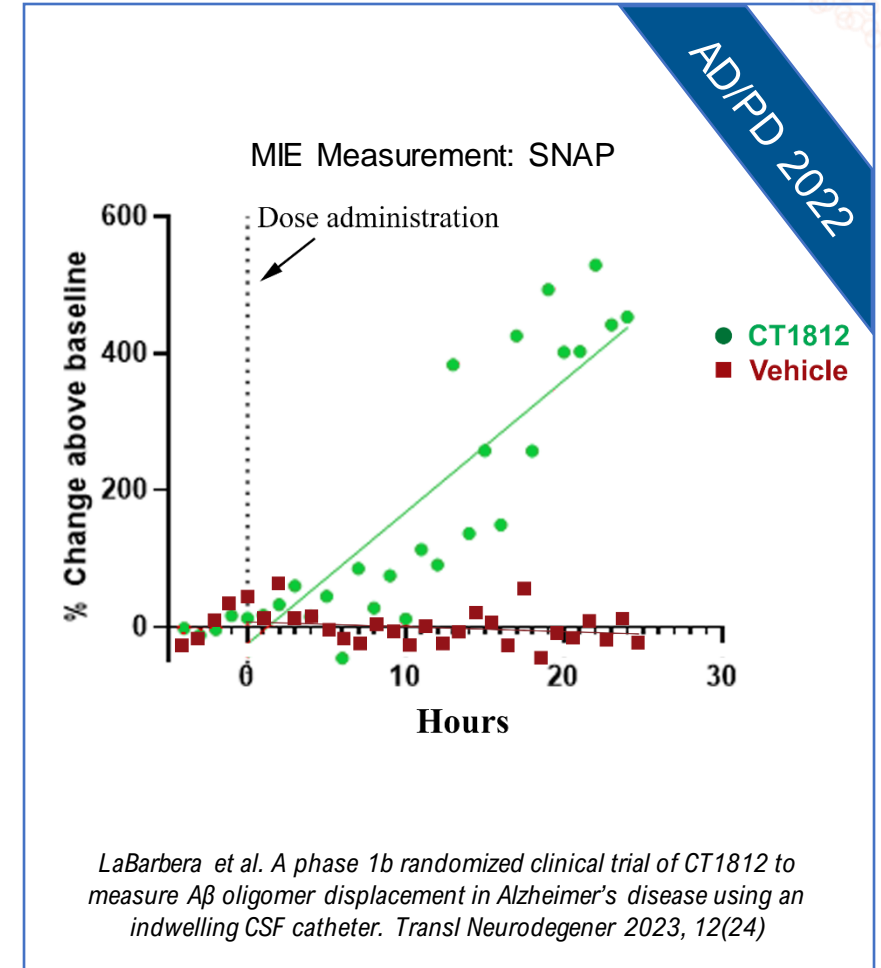
# SNAP (COG0105): Demonstration of Target Engagement

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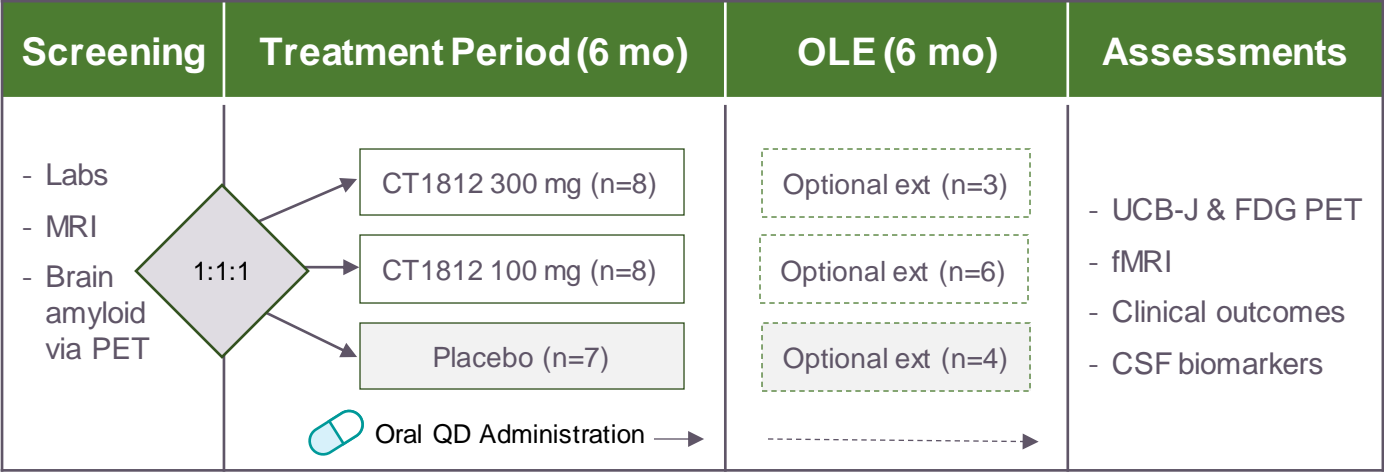


Oligomer  
Displacement  
in Mice

Replicates in  
Alzheimer's  
Patients

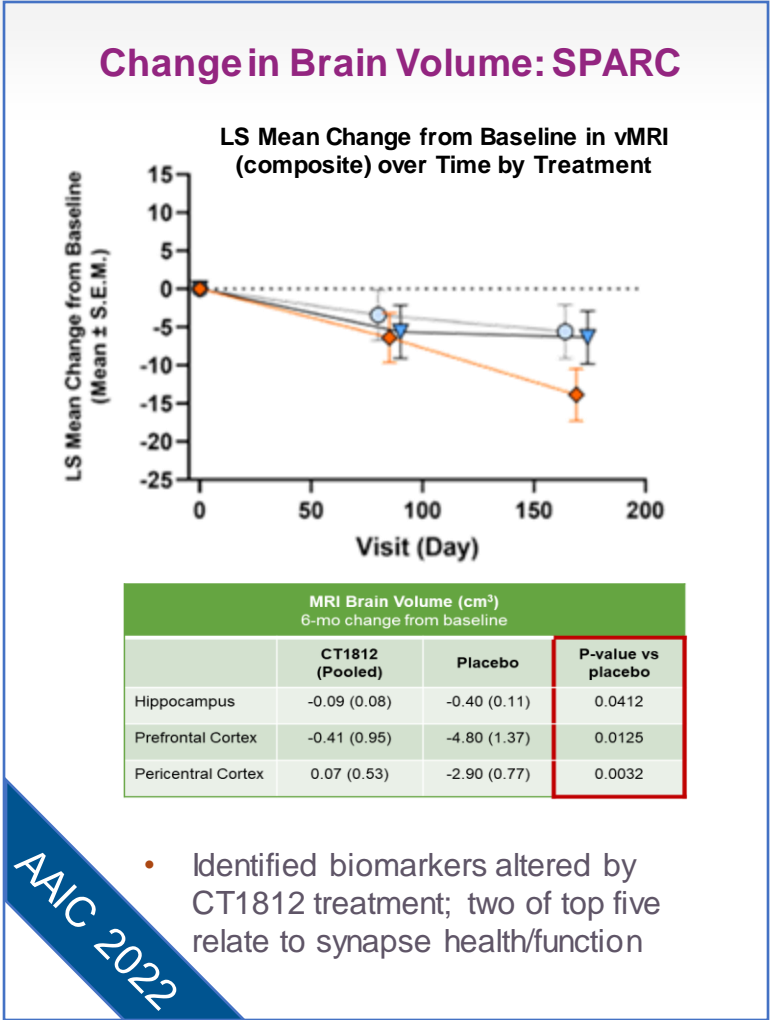


# SPARC (COG0105): Evidence that Target Engagement has Anatomic Impact



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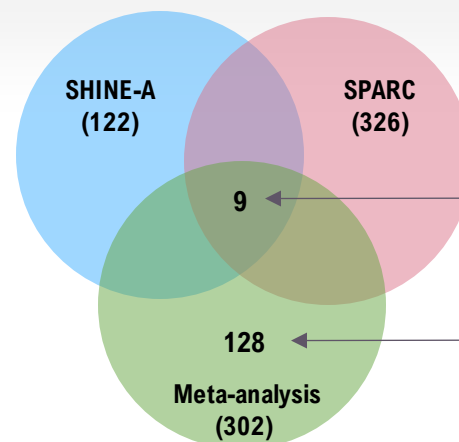


# Presented at AD/PD 2023

*Culmination of biomarker work previously presented at 2022 AAIC & AD/PD*

- Results of a meta-analysis of CSF samples from Phase 2 SHINE & Phase 1b SPARC studies presented at AD/PD
- Identified biomarkers of CT1812 activity that replicated across two independent studies and patient cohorts
- Findings will inform our understanding of CT1812's impact on the pathways involved in Alzheimer's disease progression

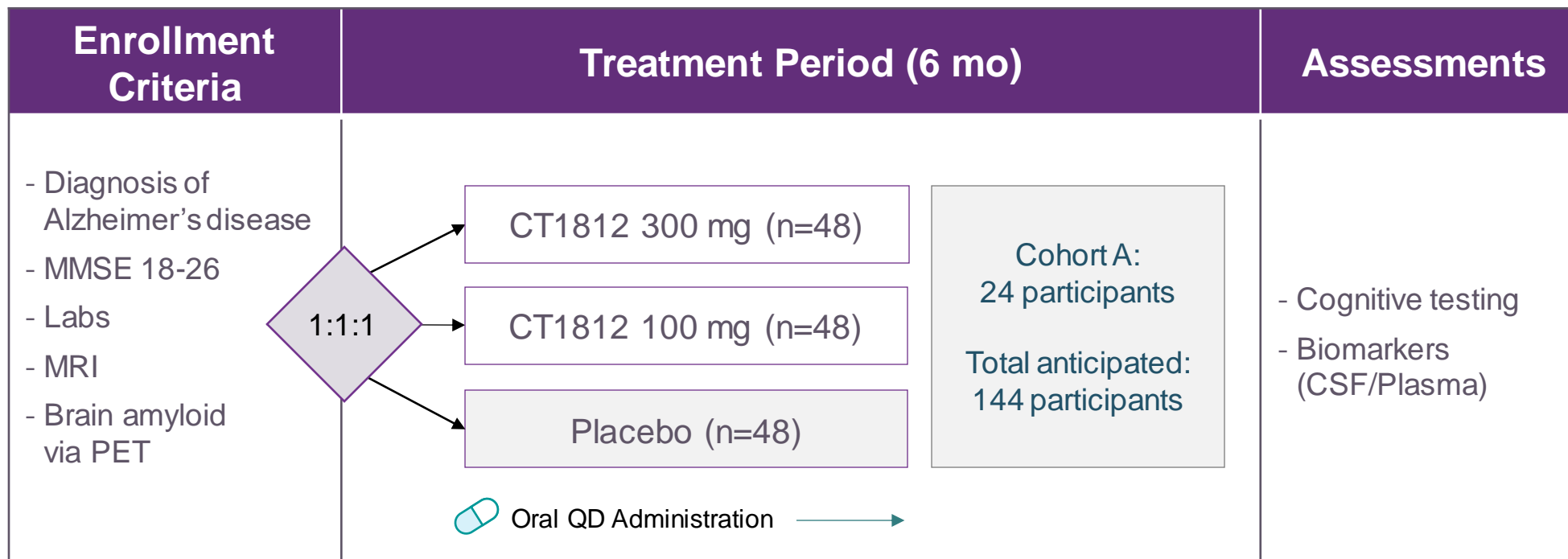
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- Replication of biomarker changes by CT1812 vs placebo across two independent cohorts
  - 9 biomarkers with cross-trial replication and similar directionality and degree of change
  - 128 biomarkers that may require increased power to detect significance

| GO term    | Biological Process (Replicated Biomarkers; CT1812 vs placebo)      | strength | FDR p-value |
|------------|--|----------|-------------|
| GO:1902003 | Regulation of amyloid-beta formation                               | 2.14     | 6.00E-06    |
| GO:1902430 | Negative regulation of amyloid-beta formation                      | 2.41     | 1.55E-05    |
| GO:1902993 | Positive regulation of amyloid precursor protein catabolic process | 2.17     | 6.17E-05    |
| GO:1905908 | Positive regulation of amyloid fibril formation                    | 2.82     | 9.19E-05    |
| GO:0050808 | Synapse organization   | 1.28     | 0.00089     |
| GO:1900272 | Negative regulation of long-term synaptic potentiation             | 2.35     | 0.00089     |
| GO:1902947 | Regulation of tau-protein kinase activity                          | 2.31     | 0.00089     |
| GO:1902950 | Regulation of dendritic spine maintenance                          | 2.35     | 0.00089     |
| GO:0048638 | Regulation of developmental growth                                 | 1.2      | 0.0015      |
| GO:1900221 | Regulation of amyloid-beta clearance                               | 2.2      | 0.0015      |

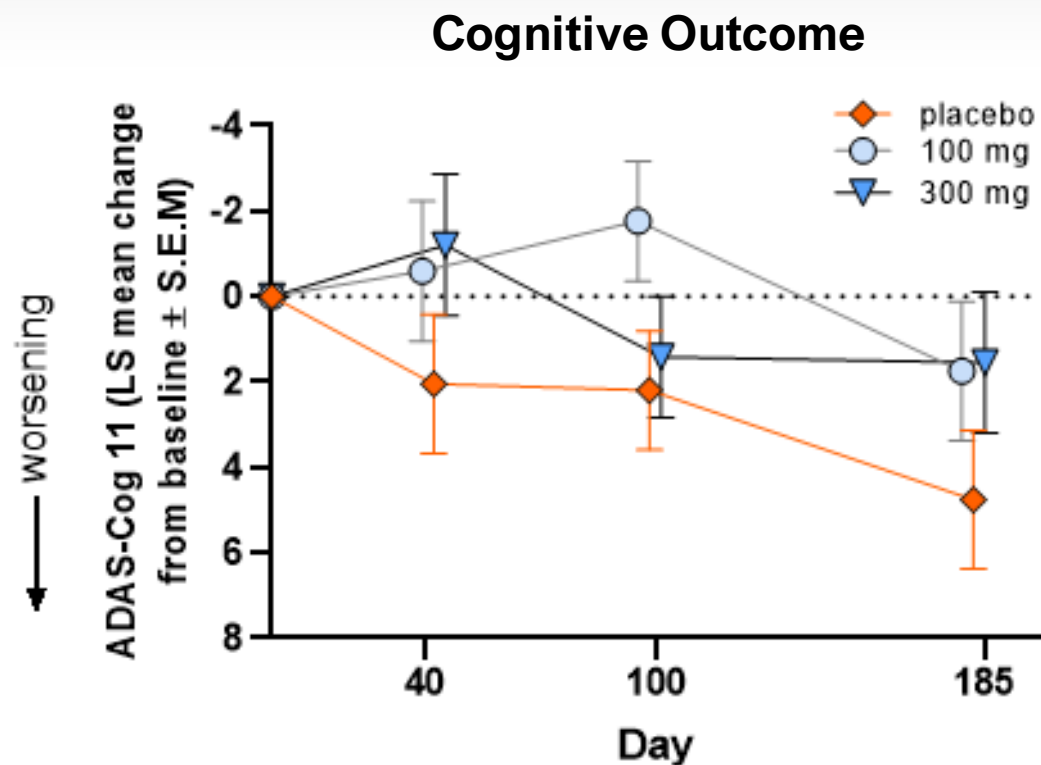
# Phase 2 Safety and Efficacy Study in Adults with Mild-to-moderate Alzheimer's Disease



SHINE COG0201 study (NCT03507790) partially funded by \$31M NIA grant R01AG058660



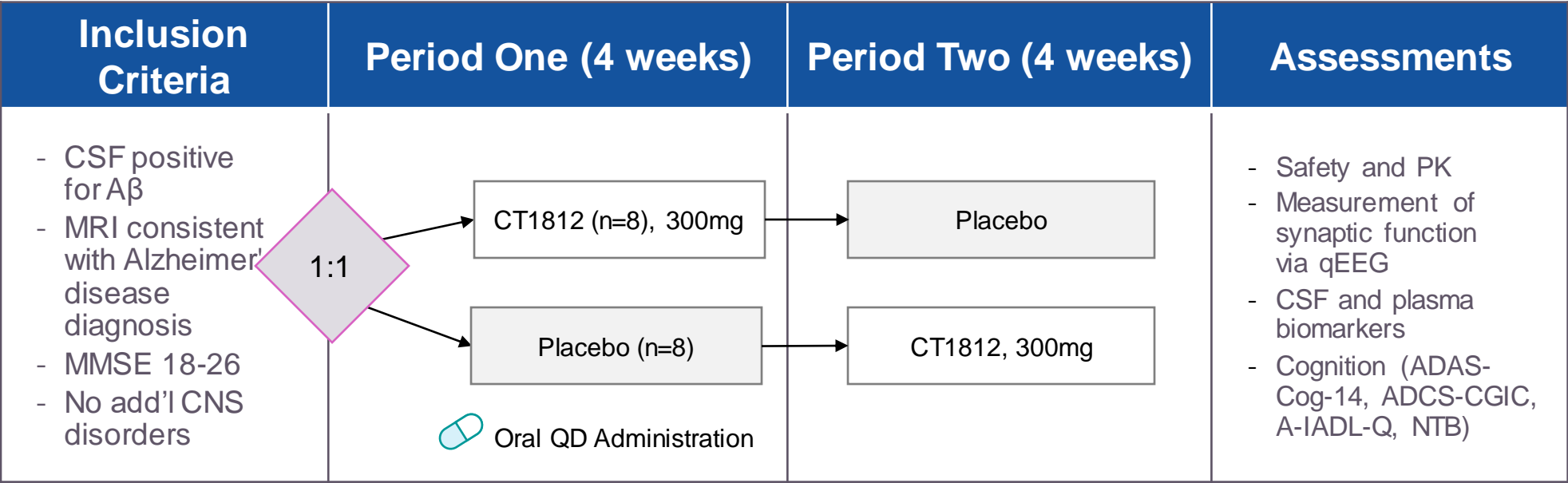
# Clinical Evidence of Cognitive Benefit



- SHINE interim analysis (n=24) yields promising evidence:
  - 3-point difference (ADAS-COG 11) between treated and untreated participants at Day 185
  - Clinically meaningful magnitude of change
  - Trend towards slower cognitive decline in CT1812-treated vs placebo-treated participants

# SEQUEL (COG0202): Single-site qEEG Study in 16 Adults with Mild-to-moderate Alzheimer’s Disease

Two-group cross-over design



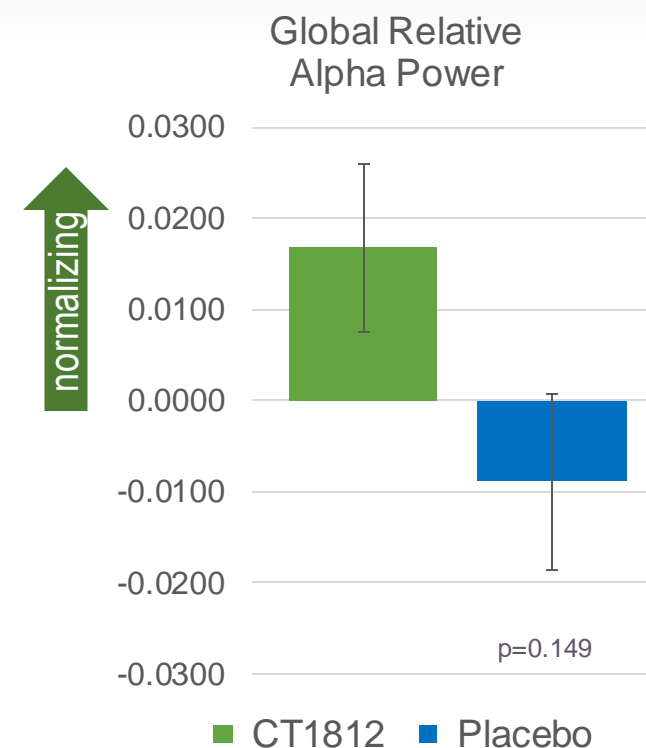
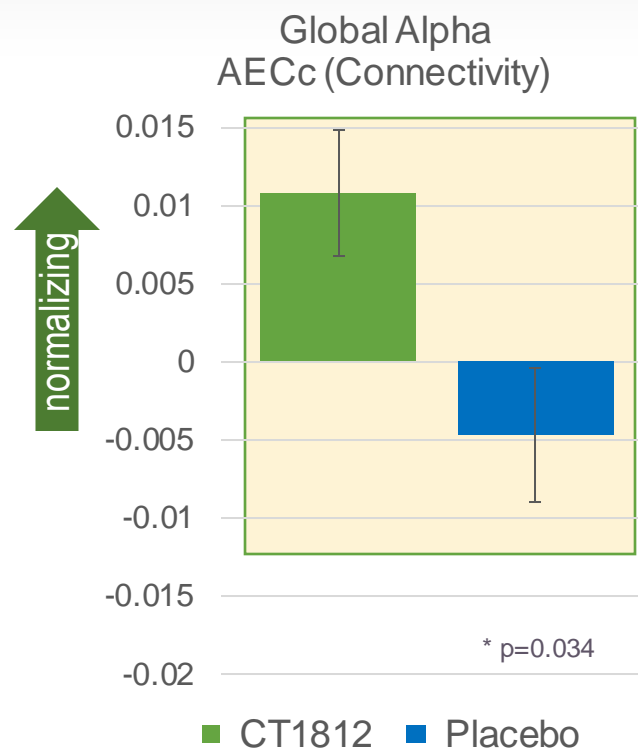
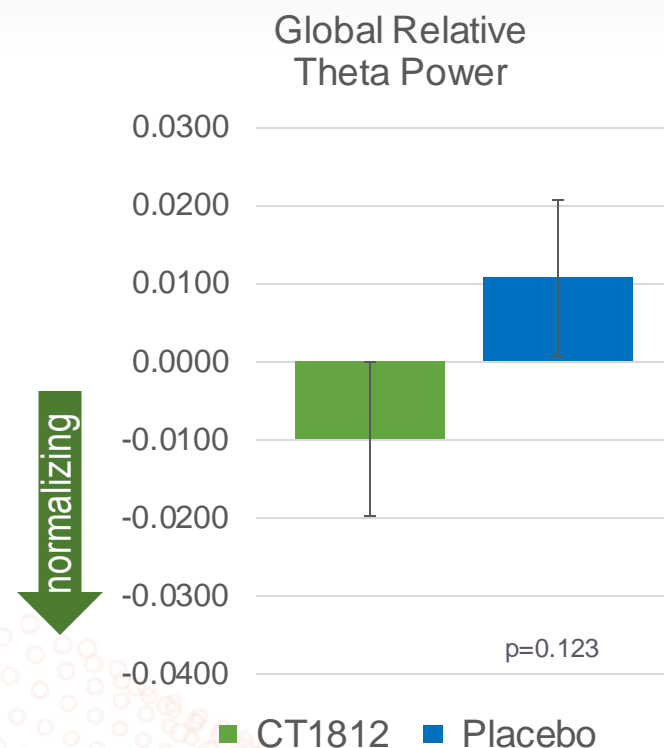
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Quantitative EEG refers to the analysis of digital EEG signals using sophisticated mathematical algorithms that can identify and differentiate between nuances of brain wave patterns.

# SEQUEL Topline Results

*Safety and tolerability profile consistent with previous studies*



\* Nominally significant

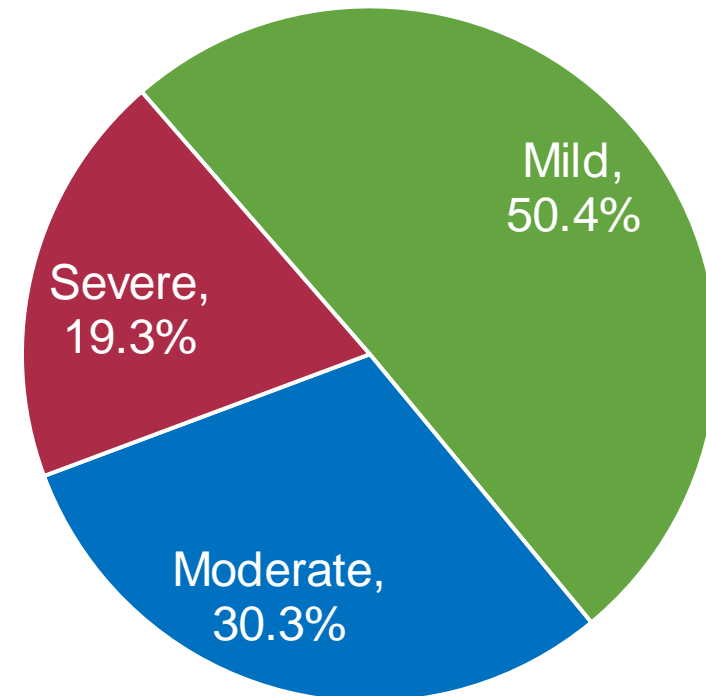


# Expanding into *Early* Alzheimer's Disease



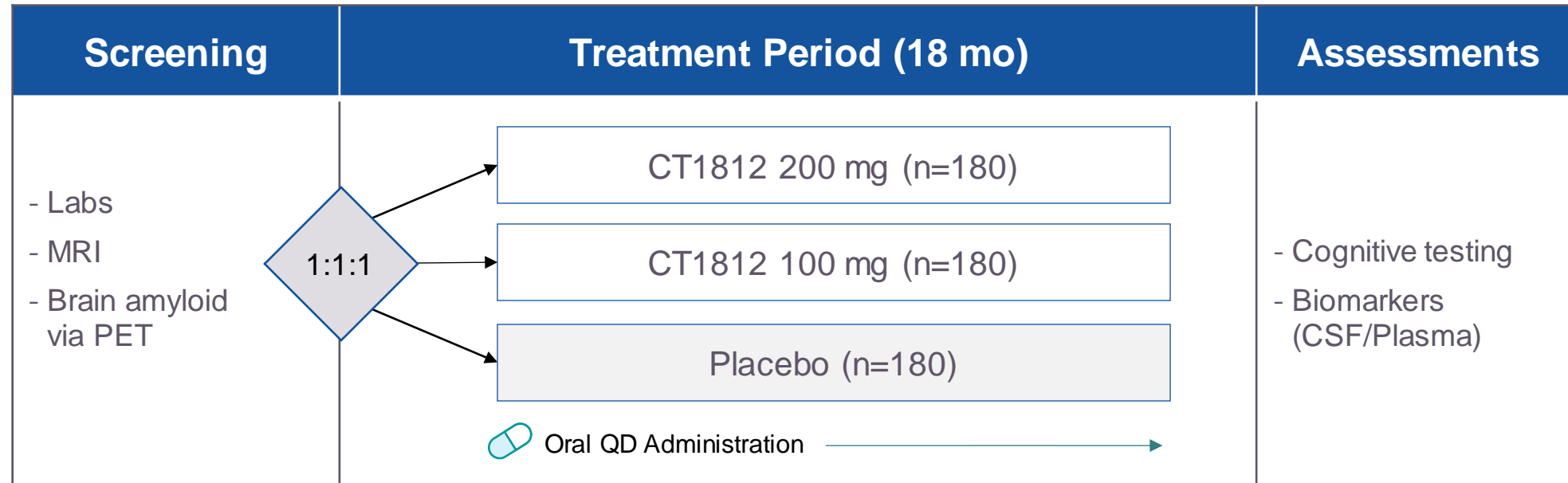
- Enrolling 540 adults with early-to-mild Alzheimer's disease
  - ~6.7 million in the U.S. have Alzheimer's, 50% with mild disease
- 50-60 U.S. sites including ACTC centers of excellence
- \$81M NIA grant award
- Opening sites 1H23

Stages of Disease Afflicting Current Population of Alzheimer's Patients



# Phase 2 Efficacy Study in 540 Adults with *Early* Alzheimer's Disease

*Conducted in collaboration with Alzheimer's Clinical Trials Consortium*



START COG0203 study (NCT05531656) partially funded by \$81M NIA grant R01AG065248  
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**News**

First site activated in Phase 2 START Study ...

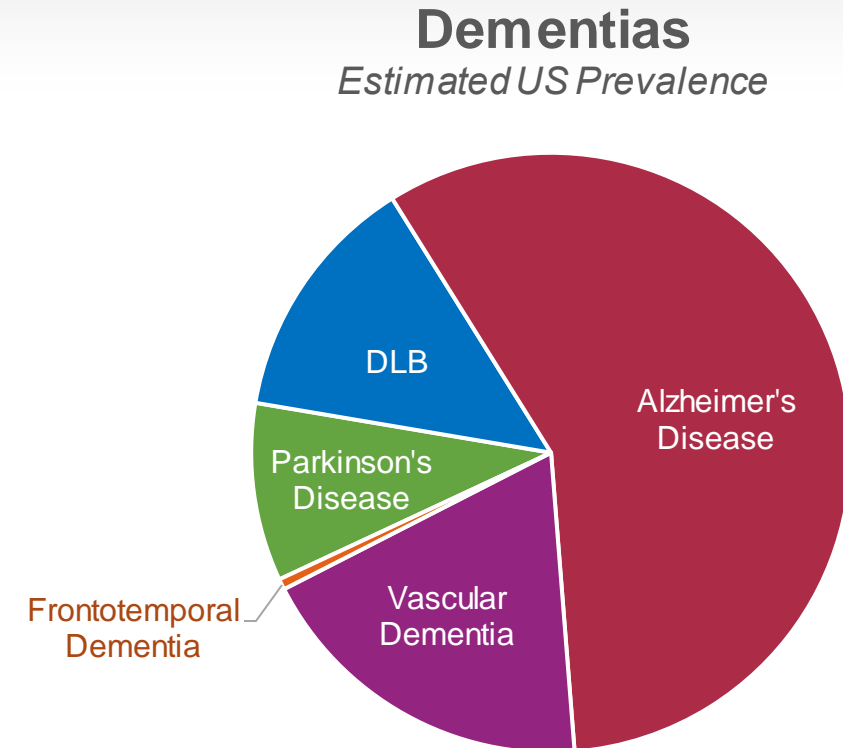
# **Dementia with Lewy Bodies (DLB)**

**Second Most Common Dementia**



# Synucleinopathies are 2nd only to AD in Prevalence

- In the U.S., approximately 13 million people have a form of dementia<sup>1</sup>
  - Dementia with Lewy bodies (DLB): 1.4 million
  - Parkinson's disease: 1 million
- Direct healthcare costs:
  - DLB: \$31.5 billion<sup>2</sup>
  - PD: \$25 billion<sup>3</sup>



$\alpha$ -synuclein oligomers, which disrupt key cellular processes, are a hallmark of both disorders

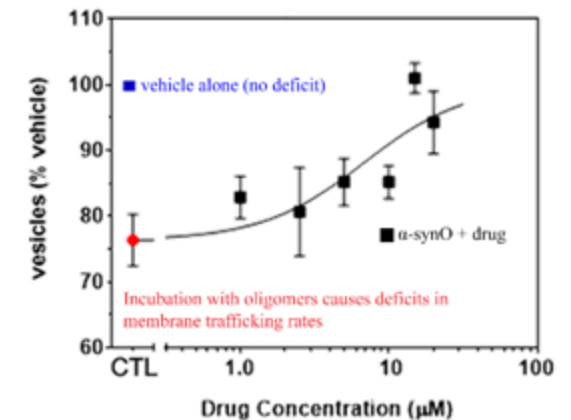
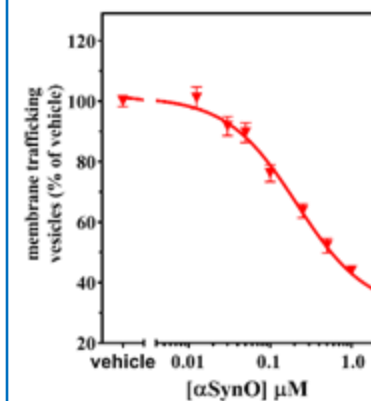
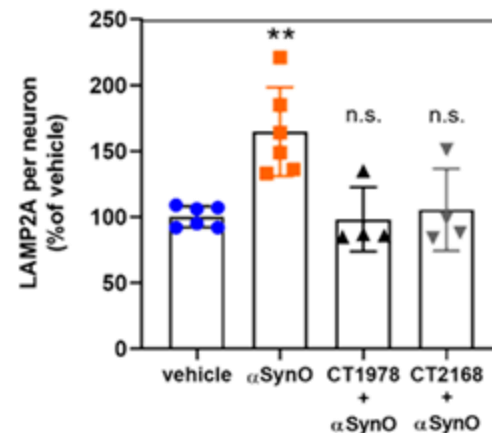
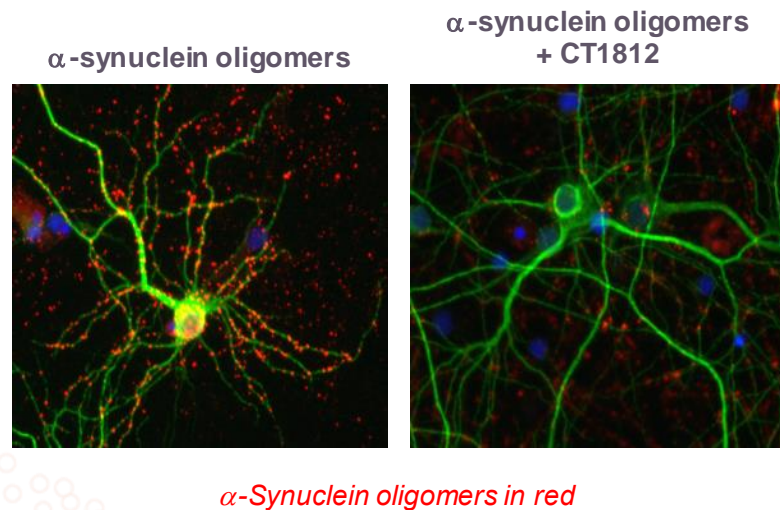
# $\sigma$ -2 Modulators May be Disease Modifying in Synucleinopathies

*Cellular evidence that  $\sigma$ -2 modulators have a beneficial impact*

$\sigma$ -2 antagonist blocks the binding / internalization of  $\alpha$ -synuclein oligomers at synapses

$\sigma$ -2 antagonist (blk & gry) reverses effect of  $\alpha$ -syn oligomers on LAMP2a (org)

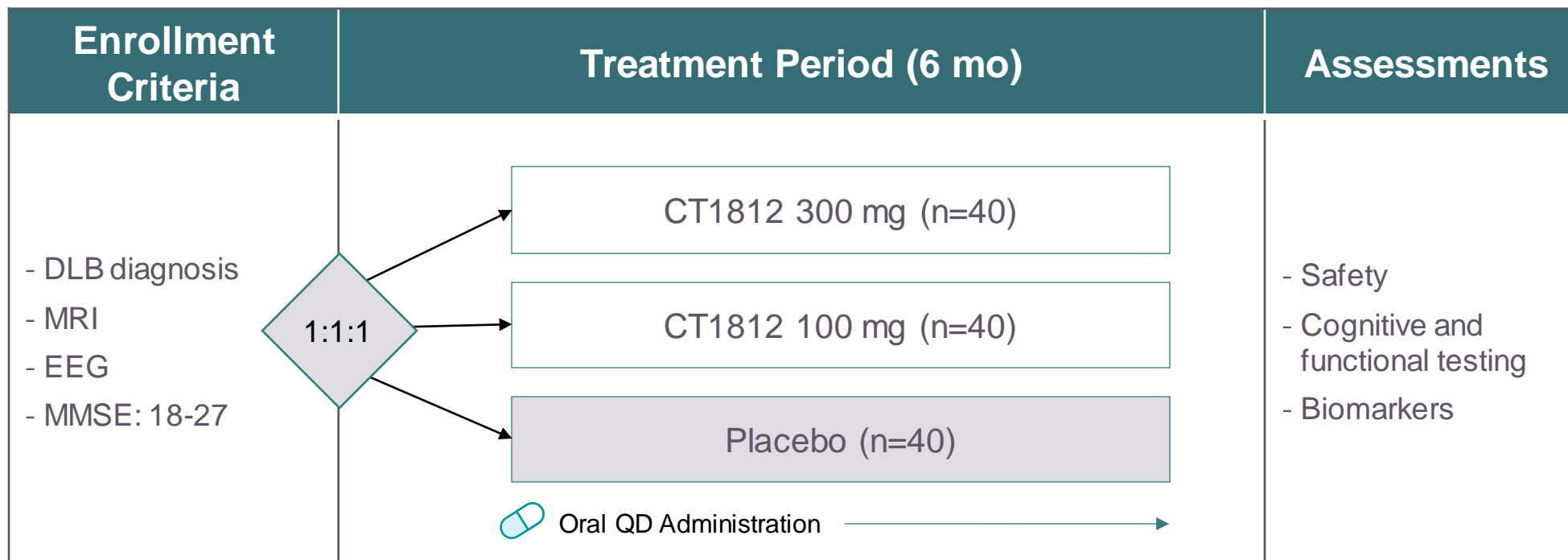
$\alpha$ -synuclein oligomer-induced trafficking deficits (red) are reversed by  $\sigma$ -2 antagonist (blk)





# Phase 2 Safety and Efficacy Study in Adults with Mild-to-moderate DLB

Conducted in collaboration with Lewy Body Dementia Association & U Miami

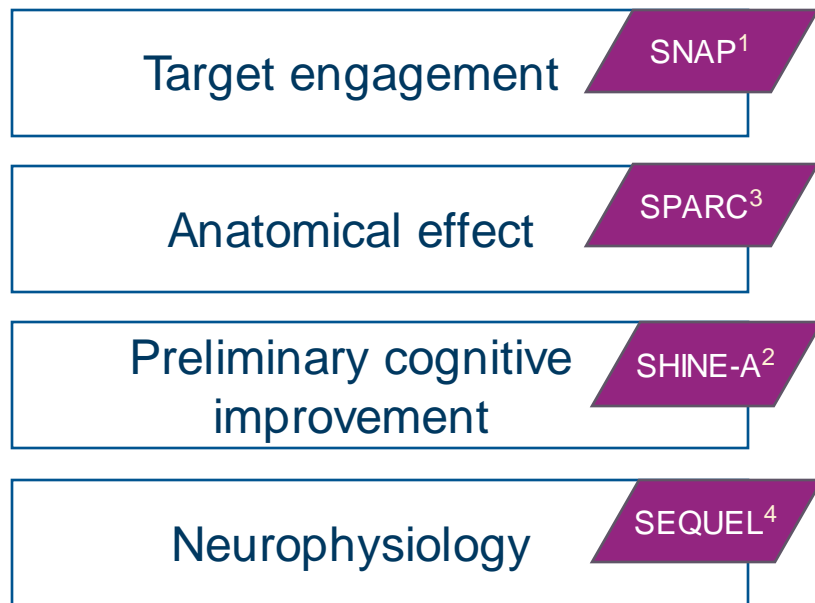


Principal investigator: James E. Galvin, MD, MPH, professor of neurology and director of the Comprehensive Center for Brain Health

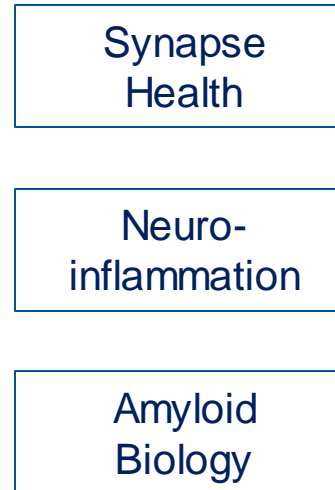
SHIMMER COG1201 study (NCT05225415) partially funded by \$30M NIA grant R01AG071643

# Evidence Mounts of CT1812 Impact on Dementias

Studies of CT1812 to date  
present evidence of:



Biomarker evidence  
of effect on pathways<sup>2</sup>



NIA funded proof-of-  
concept studies ongoing:



1. AD/PD™ 2022
2. LaBarbera, et al. *Transl Neurodegener* 2023
3. SPARC results submitted for publication
4. Abstract of SEQUEL imaging results submitted for upcoming presentation

# Dry Age-related Macular Degeneration (dry AMD)

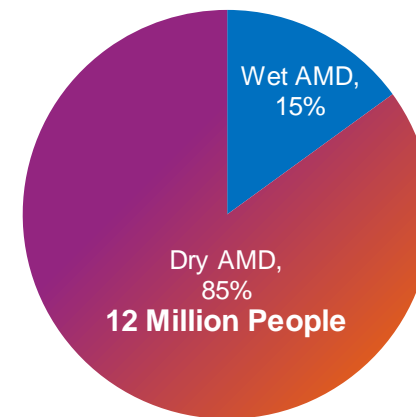


# Dry AMD and Geographic Atrophy

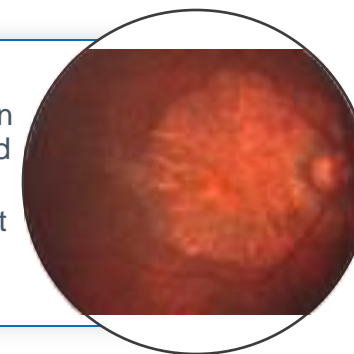
*Leading cause of severe vision loss in people over 50 (AAO)\**

- AMD is the leading cause of blindness in people over 60yr
- Dry AMD is a progressive condition and accounts for up to 90% of all AMD cases
  - Advanced dry AMD, or GA, affects approximately two million people in the U.S.
- Unlike wet AMD, there is only one approved drug for dry AMD
  - Until 2023, dietary supplements were SoC
  - For reference, wet AMD market is \$7 billion worldwide

15 million people in North America have AMD



Geographic atrophy is a progressive degeneration of the macula associated with late-stage AMD. Regions of atrophy result in a blind spot in the visual field.



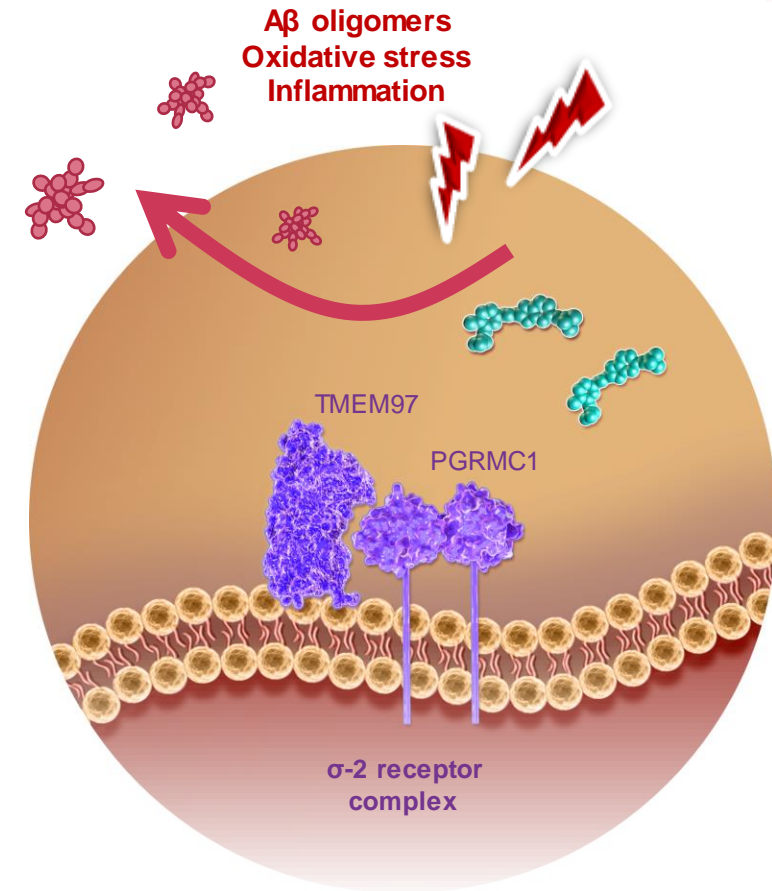
\* American Academy of Ophthalmology

# Rationale for $\sigma$ -2 Modulators in Geographic Atrophy

*Goal: Protect RPE cells from disease-relevant stressors*

## $\sigma$ -2 receptors:

- Expression: in RPE cells, retinal ganglion cells, photoreceptors in retina
- Biology: regulates autophagy, protein trafficking, lipid metabolism dysregulated in AMD
- Target validation: TMEM97 knockdown is protective
- Human genetics: linked to dry AMD
- Biomarker evidence from AD trials





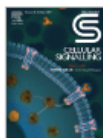
# Our Findings are Supporteded in Literature



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## TMEM97 ablation aggravates oxidant-induced retinal degeneration

[Hongtao Shen](#)<sup>a 1</sup>, [Jing Li](#)<sup>a 1</sup>, [Tyler Heisler-Taylor](#)<sup>b</sup>, [Ryan Makin](#)<sup>c d</sup>, [Huan Yang](#)<sup>e</sup>,  
[Timur A. Mavlyutov](#)<sup>e</sup>, [Bradley Gelfand](#)<sup>c d f</sup>, [Colleen M. Cebulla](#)<sup>b</sup> , [Lian-Wang Guo](#)<sup>a d</sup>

"We observed increased RPE damage and photoreceptor loss in TMEM97 KO (vs WT) mice treated with NaIO<sub>3</sub>. Similarly, knockout of TMEM97 in RPE cells *in vitro* exacerbated oxidative stress..."



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Article

## Development of a CRISPRi Human Retinal Pigmented Epithelium Model for Functional Study of Age-Related Macular Degeneration Genes

[Jiang-Hui Wang](#)<sup>1,2,†</sup>, [Daniel Urrutia-Cabrera](#)<sup>1,2,†</sup>, [Jarmon G. Lees](#)<sup>3,4</sup> , [Santiago Mesa Mora](#)<sup>1,2</sup>, [Tu Nguyen](#)<sup>1,2</sup> ,  
[Sandy S. C. Hung](#)<sup>1,2</sup>, [Alex W. Hewitt](#)<sup>1,2,5</sup>, [Shiang Y. Lim](#)<sup>3,4</sup> , [Thomas L. Edwards](#)<sup>1,2</sup> and [Raymond C. B. Wong](#)<sup>1,2,\*</sup>

"our results provide the first evidence that TMEM97 plays an important role in regulating oxidative stress and cell survival of human RPE..."



genes



Brief Report

## Retinal Photoreceptor Protection in an AMD-Related Mouse Model by Selective Sigma-1 or Sigma-2 Receptor Modulation

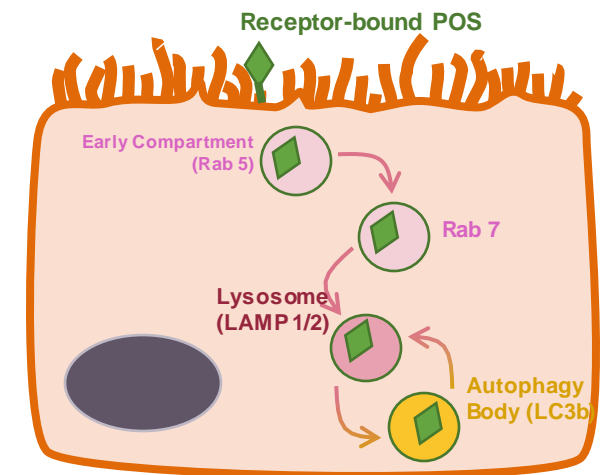
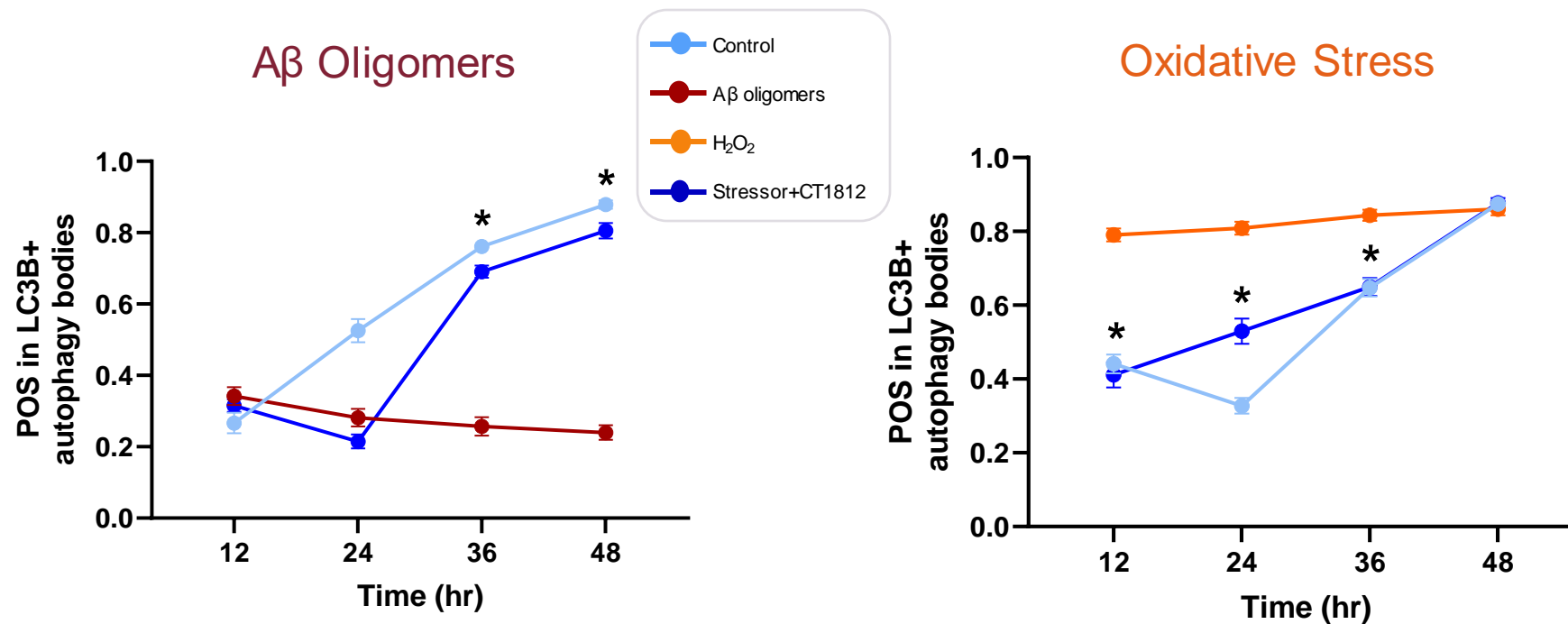
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"S2R-selective ligand ...appeared to largely rescue light-induced photoreceptor loss ... TMEM97/S2R ablation exacerbated retinal degeneration..."

# $\sigma$ -2 Receptor Modulators Rescue Lysosomal Trafficking Deficits in RPE

ARVO  
2022

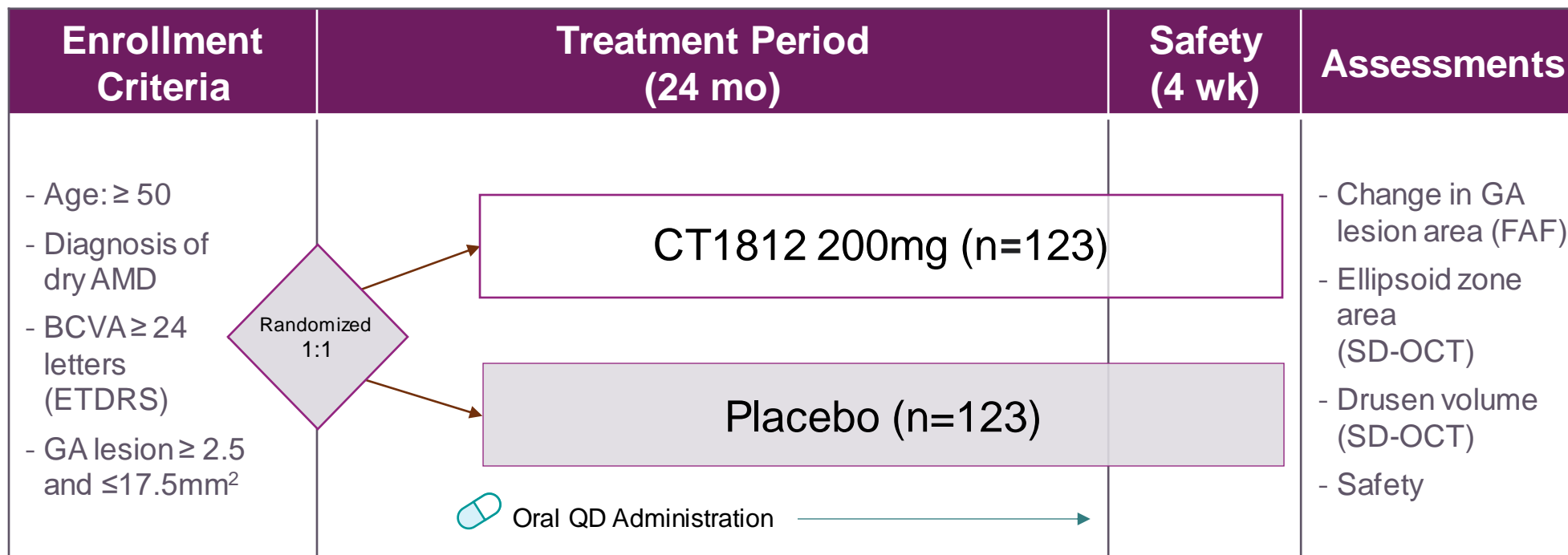
CT1812 rescues crucial function of RPE to traffic & degrade photoreceptor outer segments cargos following toxic insults



Malagise E et al. Sigma-2 receptor modulators rescue POS trafficking deficits in RPE cell-based models of dry AMD. Poster presented at: 2022 ARVO



# Phase 2 will Assess CT1812 in GA Secondary to Dry AMD

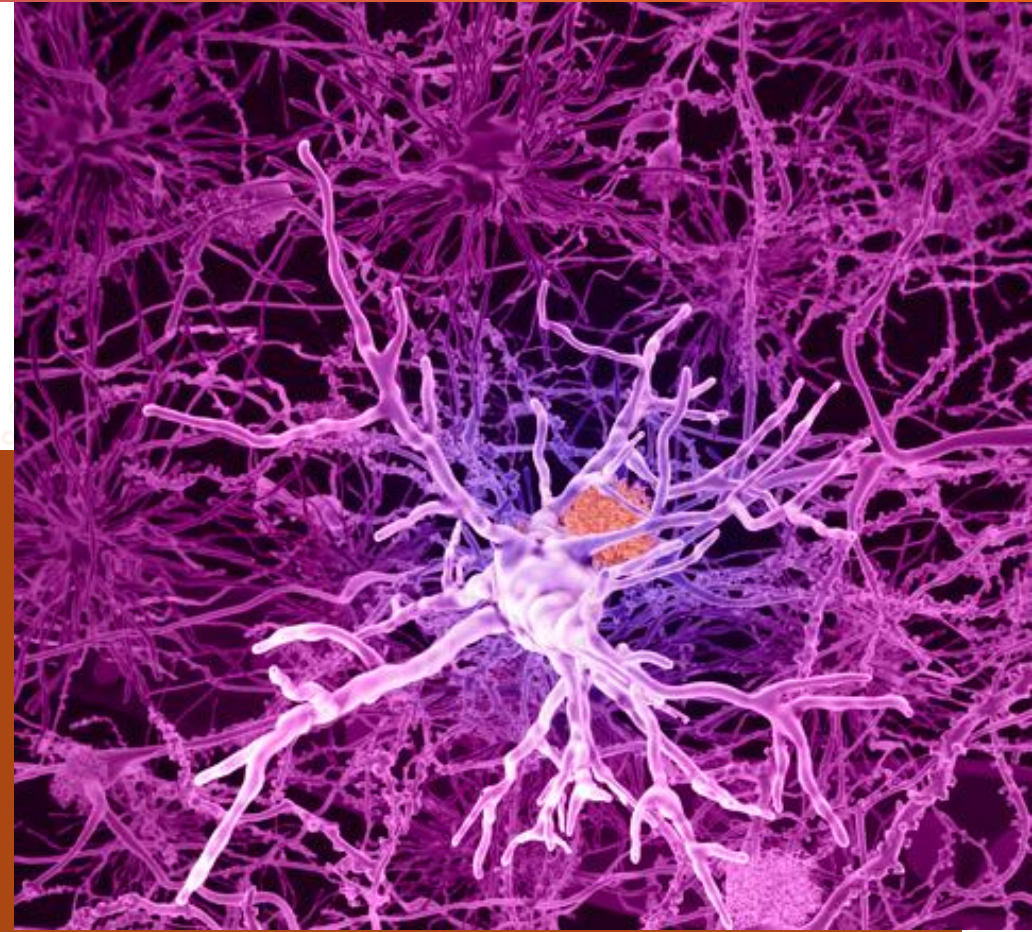


**BREAKING**

**News**

First participant dosed in Phase 2 MAGNIFY Study ...

# Closing Comments





# "Conversations"

## A Cognition Therapeutics Podcast Series

<https://cogrx.com/conversations/>



### Episode 1: Dementia with Lewy Bodies



#### Featuring:

- James Galvin, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine

### Episode 3: What if it's not Alzheimer's? The Caregiver's Perspective on Lewy Body Dementia



#### Featuring:

- Norma Loeb, LBD Resource Center
- Mary Lou Falcone, caregiver

### Episode 5: Proteomics & Pathways of Neurodegeneration



#### Featuring:

- Charlotte Teunissen, Amsterdam University Medical Center
- Nicholas Seyfried, Emory School of Medicine
- Henrik Zetterberg, Gothenburg University

### Episode 2: Amyloid Lowering Key Insights from Recent Data



#### Featuring:

- Christopher van Dyck, Yale University School of Medicine
- Anton Porsteinsson, Univ of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

### Episode 4: Insights for the HCP Recognizing Dementia with Lewy Bodies



#### Featuring:

- Brendan Kelley, Univ of Texas SW
- Sarah Berman, UPMC
- James Leverenz, Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Ctr
- David Shprecher, Banner Sun Health

### Episode 6: Geographic Atrophy New Strategies to Protect the Retina (2-part)

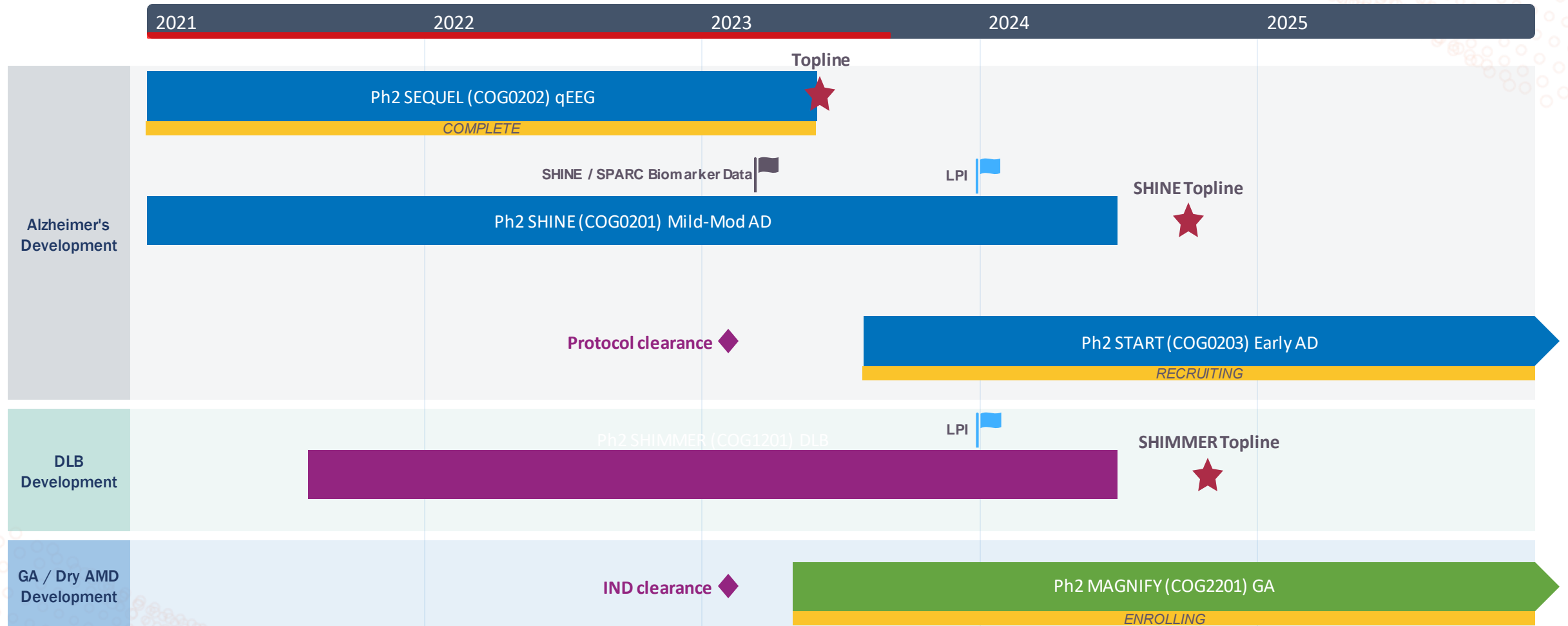


#### Featuring:

- C. Gustavo De Moraes, Columbia Univ. and Ora
- Jeffrey Heier, Ophthalmic Consultants of Boston
- Peter Kaiser, Cleveland Clinic College of Medicine



# Multiple Near-term Catalysts



# Financial Position

## Financials as of June 30, 2023

- Cash and Cash Equivalents: \$37.2 million
- Expected cash runway through third quarter of 2024

## Grant funding for CT1812 studies as of June 30, 2023

- Preclinical through Phase 2: appx \$171.0 million
  - Approximate funding used: (\$89.2 million)
  - *Remaining grant funding:* **\$81.8 million**



# Cognition Therapeutics - in Summary



Targeting unmet needs in age-related degenerative disorders of the CNS and retina such as Alzheimer's disease, DLB, GA secondary to dry AMD, and Parkinson's disease



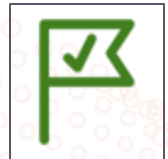
Functionally distinct therapeutic approach focused on the  $\sigma$ -2 receptor complex, backed by decades of expertise in the biology of synaptic function and plasticity



Received over \$170 million in non-dilutive grant funding through key collaborations with the NIA and other thought-leading institutions



Multiple Phase 2 programs expected to conclude with data read-outs over the next 12 to 24 months



Seasoned management team with broad scientific, drug development and commercial expertise; experienced board and advisors





# Thank You

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