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## Management



**Tom Lin, MMED, PhD, MBA**  
(Chairman, CEO)

- 10+ years of executive management role in biotech, including 2 IPO
- Over 10 new drug developments in multiple therapeutic areas, including Ophthalmology, CNS, Cardiovascular, Oncology, Immuno-Oncology, Immunotherapies, Immunosuppressants
- University of Sydney, University of Melbourne, Harvard Medical School, Columbia University, London Business School, HK University



**Nathan Mata, PhD**  
(CSO)

- 15+ years of ophthalmic drug development experience across numerous indications including 2 NDAs for topical therapeutics (Durezol® and Zirgan®)
- Led the clinical development efforts for first RBP antagonist in advanced dry AMD and first visual cycle modulator in advanced dry AMD and STGD
- Introduced the industry's first Stargardt's ABCA4 knockout mice model
- University of Texas



**H.Y. Chuang, CFA, MBA, FRM**  
(CFO)

- 13+ years of capital market experience, closed more than US\$32 billion transactions
- Wanda, Suning, CITIC Securities
- Columbia University, London Business School, HK University

# Belite Bio Overview



PRECLINICAL

PHASE 1

PHASE 2

PHASE 3

NDA

Tinlarebant  
(LBS-008)

○ **Stargardt Disease**

- Ph2 12-month interim data continues to **show halting or slowing of lesion growth**; 18-month data expected in April 2023
- A Ph3, 2-year treatment, global trial (“Dragon” Study) is recruiting subjects (**42 subjects enrolled, target to enroll 90, age 12-20**)

○ **Geographic Atrophy**

- A Ph3, 2-year treatment, global trial (“Phoenix” Study ) has been initiated and planned for enrolled around mid 2023

LBS-009

○ **NASH**

- **Early intervention** with a **novel oral treatment** to potentially slow or halt disease progression in **STGD1 & GA in Dry AMD**
- **Unmet Market Opportunity:**
  - No approved treatments for STGD1 and no approved orally administered treatments for GA
- **Fast Track Designation & Rare Pediatric Disease** in US and **Orphan Drug Disease** designation in US / EU for STGD1
- In-licensed **9 active patent families**. Composition of matter patent until at least **2034/2035** without patent term extension



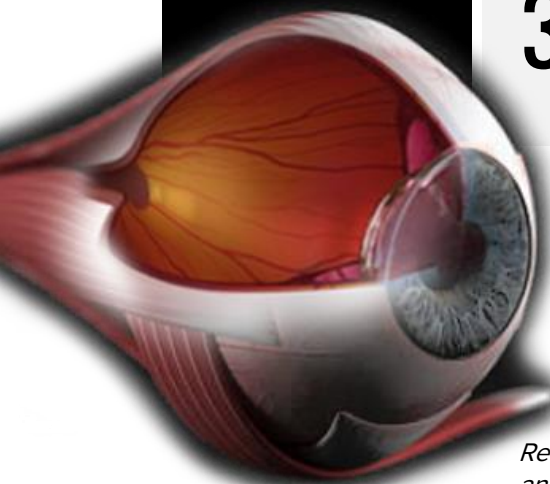
# Tinlarebant (LBS-008) Overview



# Market Opportunity

**Tinarebant  
(LBS-008)**

- DISCOVERY
- PRE-CLINICAL
- PHASE I
- PHASE II
- **PHASE III**
- MARKET



## STARGARDT

# 1 in 10,000

The most common inherited retinal dystrophy

Patient population with Stargardt's Disease:

**30k**  
US

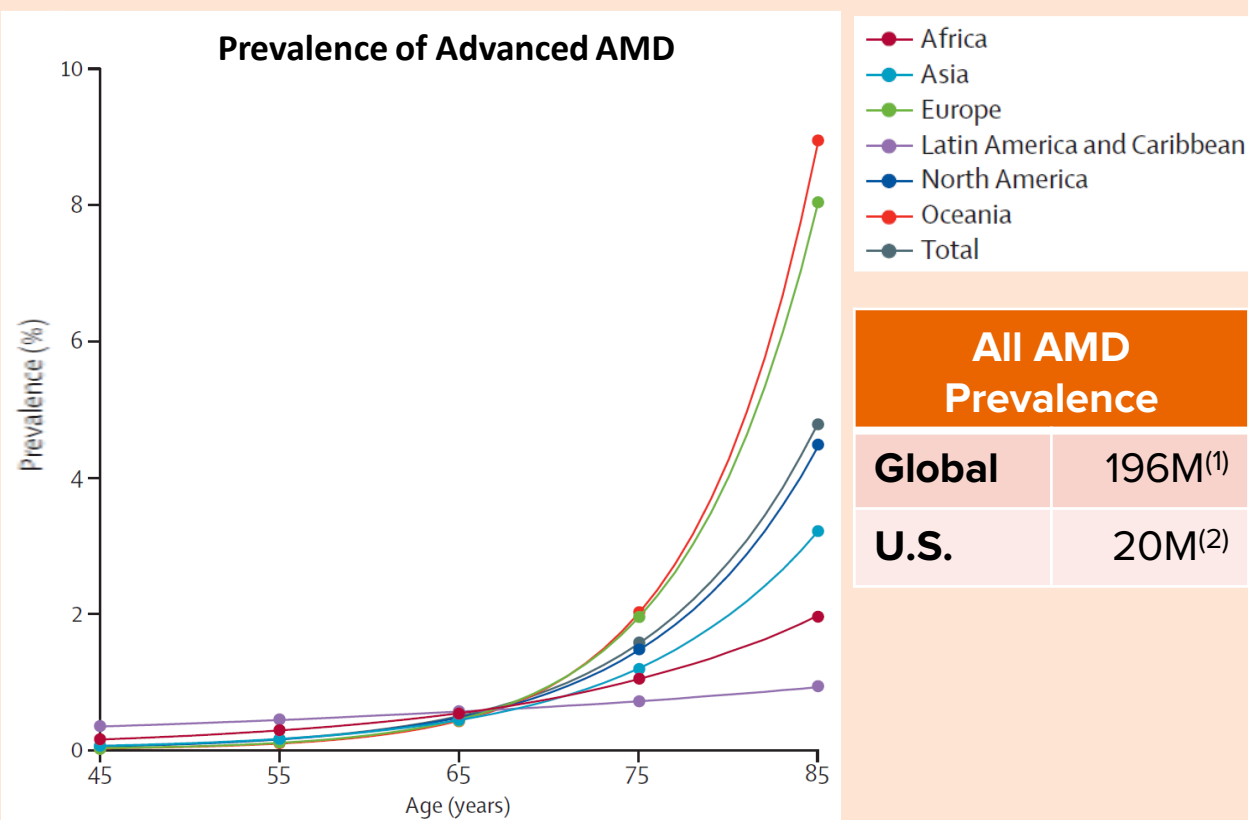
**146k**  
China

## Columbia University + NIH Blueprint

“a promising first-in-class oral medication intended to slow or halt the progression of dry AMD”

## DRY AMD

### Prevalence of Advanced AMD



• **AMD patient population is expected to grow from 196M in 2020 to 288M in 2040<sup>(1)</sup>**

Reference: (1) Wan LingWong et al. Global prevalence of AMD and disease burden projection for 2020 and 2040. 2014; (2) Prevalence Estimates Vision and Eye Health Surveillance System Vision Health Initiative (VHI) CDC, 2022

# Mechanism of Action

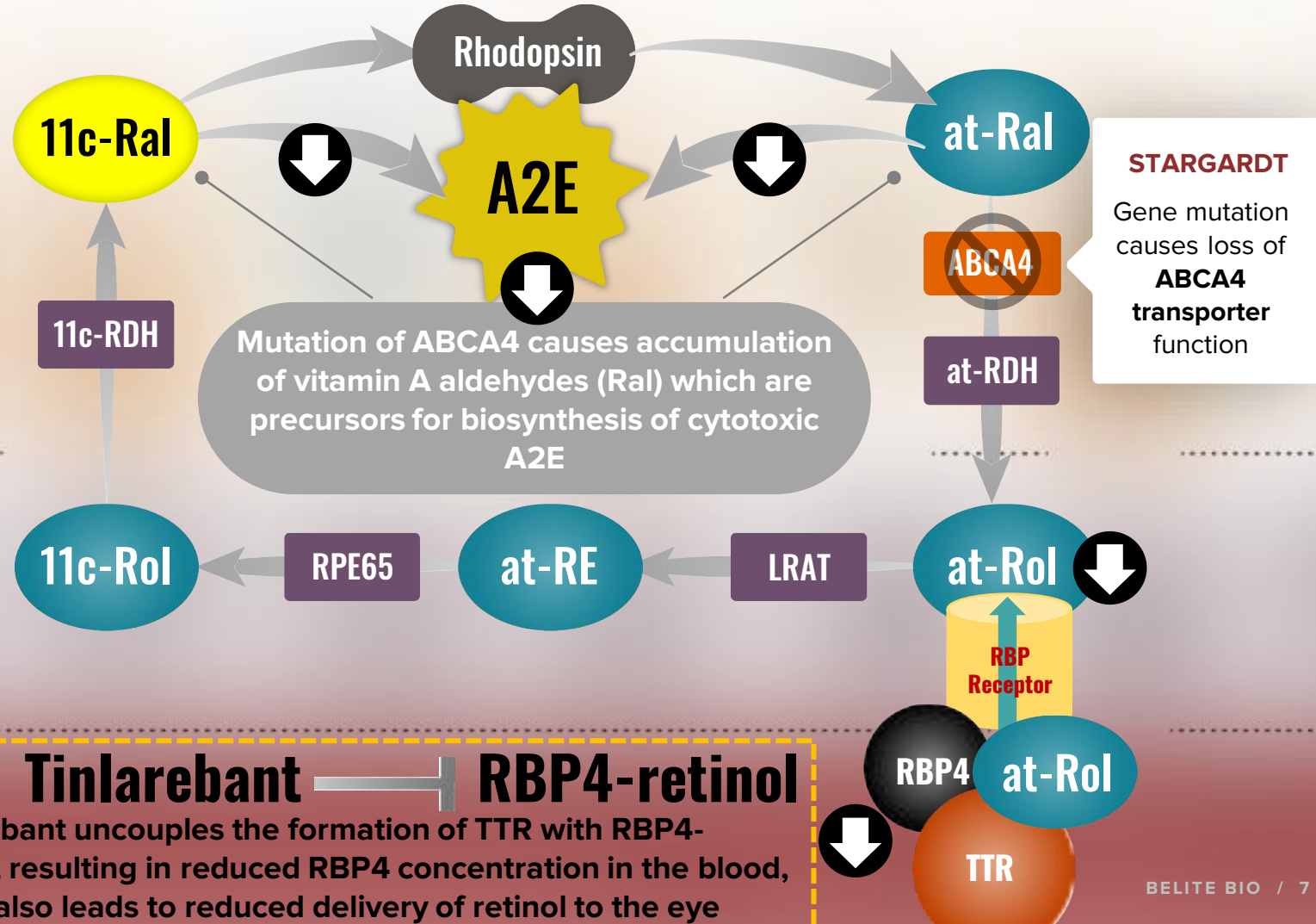
Because bisretinoids are derived from vitamin A (retinol), reducing the delivery of retinol to the eye is expected to reduce bisretinoid levels in the eye leading to preservation of the retina

⬇️ Tinlarebant Induced Down-Regulation  
■ Enzymes  
■ Visual Pigment  
● Retinoids  
● Visual Chromophore

PHOTORECEPTORS (PR)

RETINAL PIGMENT EPITHELIUM (RPE)

BLOODSTREAM

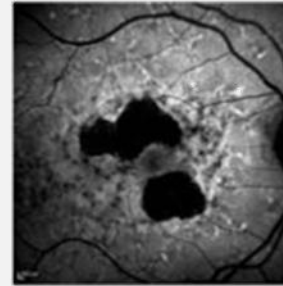


# Similar Pathophysiology in STGD1 & Dry AMD

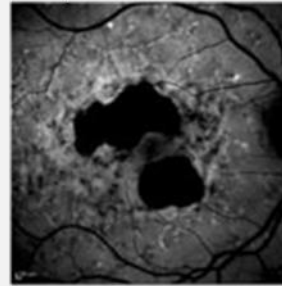


- **STGD1 and dry AMD share a similar pathophysiology** characterized by excessive accumulation of cytotoxic bisretinoids, retinal cell death, and loss of vision
- **Vision loss occurs slowly**, despite peripheral expansion of 'dead retina', until the disease reaches the center of the eye (the macula)
- **Slowing or halting the spread of 'dead retina'** is the intended **effect of Tnlarebant treatment**

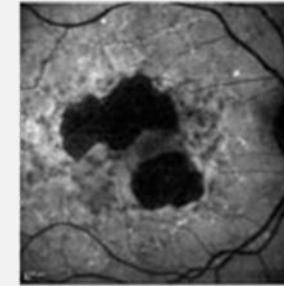
## STGD1: LATE-ONSET (61-YEAR OLD FEMALE)



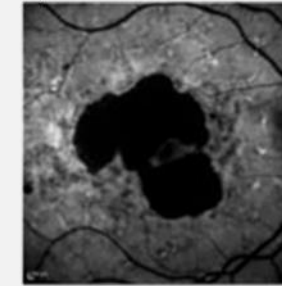
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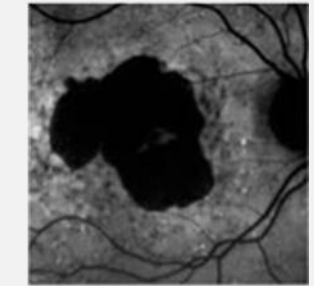
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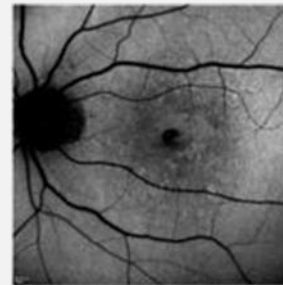


+36 Months:  
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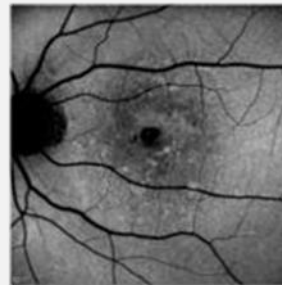


+57 Months:  
0.5 LogMAR

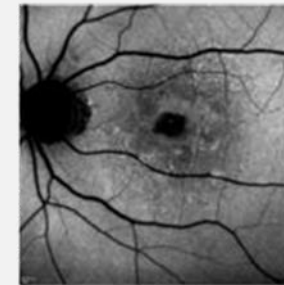
## Dry AMD: ADVANCED (73-YEAR OLD FEMALE)



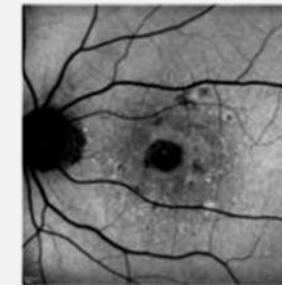
BL:  
0.2 LogMAR



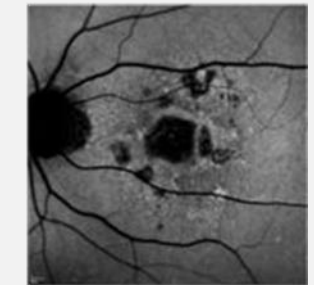
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+ 24 Mo:  
0.3 LogMAR



+ 36 Mo:  
0.4 LogMAR



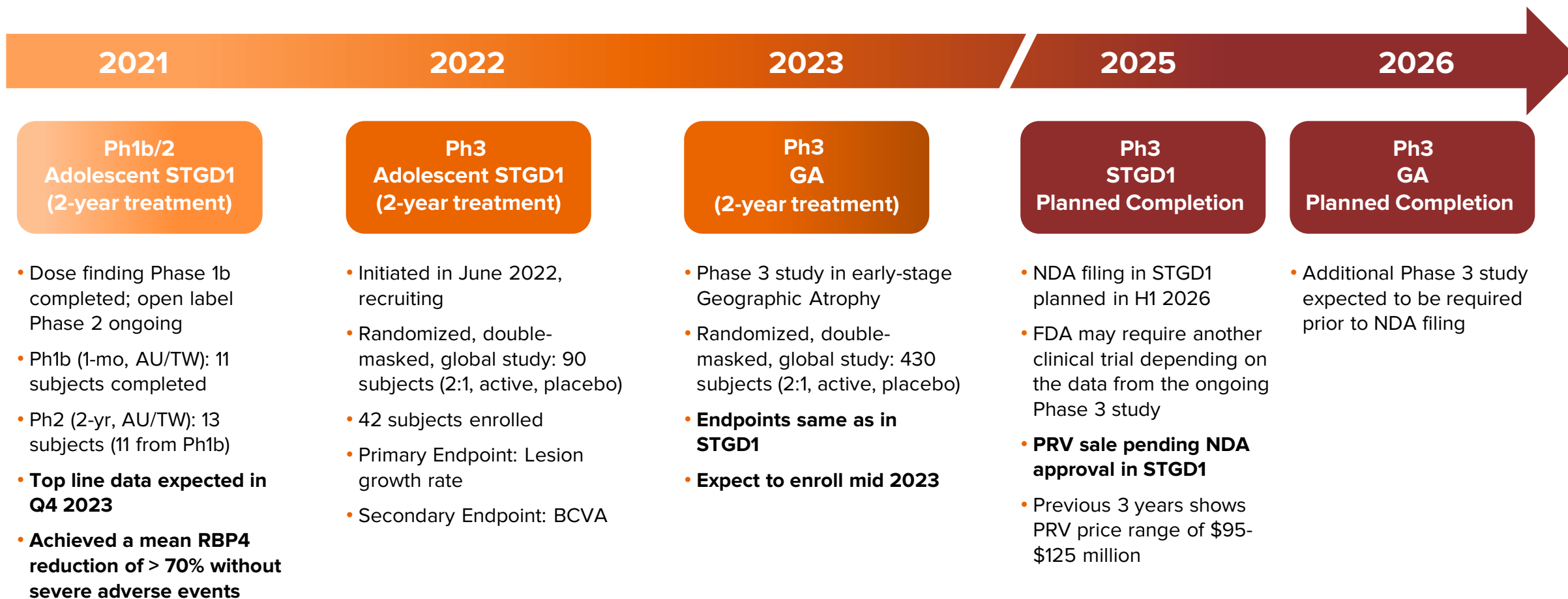
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# Planned Clinical Development Pathway



**Reduction in Lesion Growth Rate as Measured by Retinal Imaging is an FDA Accepted Primary Endpoint in STGD1 and Geographic Atrophy (GA)**





# Fenretinide Proof-of-Concept Study

# Reduction of RBP4 Slows Lesion Growth in GA Subjects



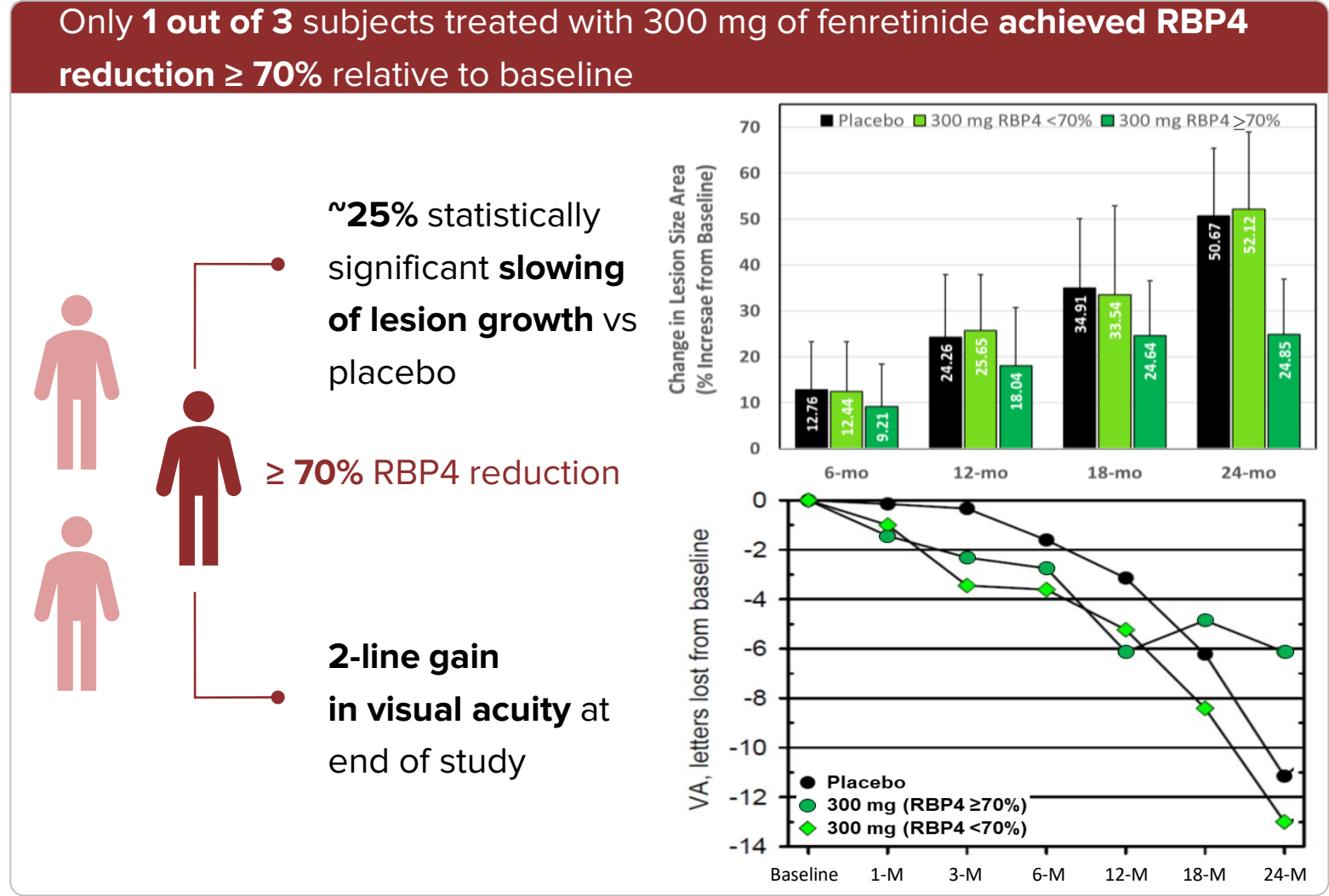
## Sirion's Ph 2 Proof-of-Concept Fenretinide Study in GA Reinforces Tinalarebant Potential

**Fenretinide** is a synthetic retinoid with **broad retinoid pathway capabilities**

- Developed as an anti-cancer drug
- Competing with retinol for RBP4 binding is a side effect

**Tinalarebant is designed to overcome the lower potency and limited bioavailability of fenretinide**

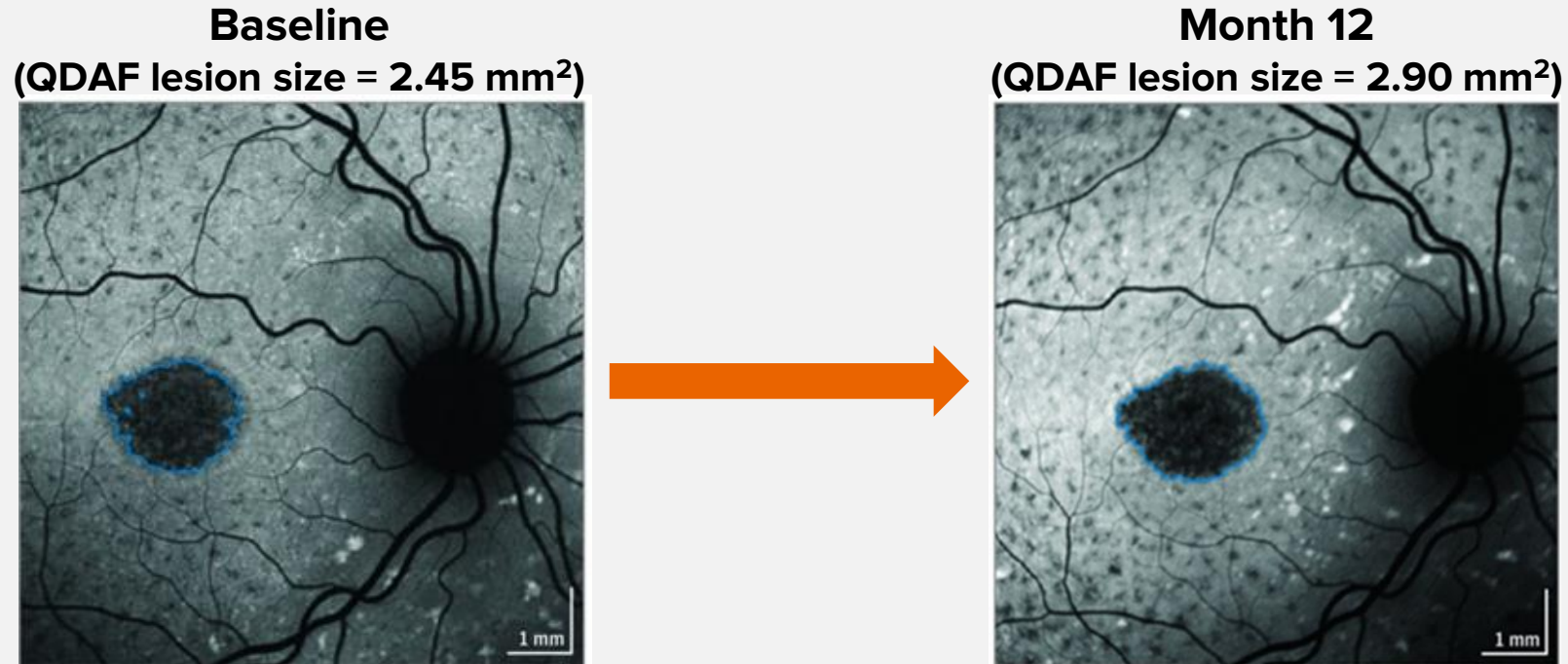
Agent	Ki RBP4
Tinalarebant	2 nM
Fenretinide	200 nM





# Growth Rates of Retinal Lesions in STGD1

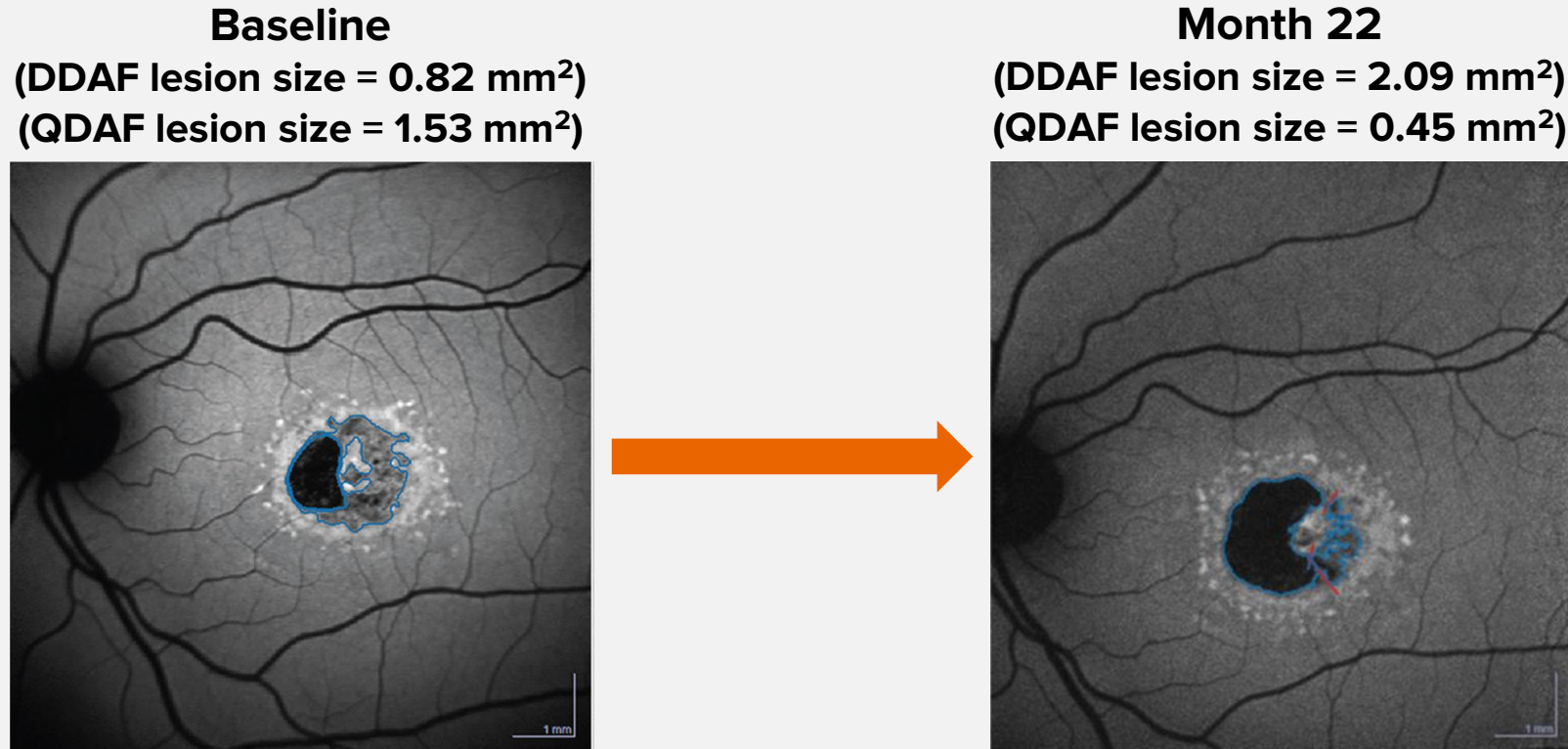
# Progression of Questionably Decreased Autofluorescence (QDAF) Lesion in STGD1



A lesion of questionably decreased autofluorescence at baseline (2.45 mm<sup>2</sup>) enlarges to 2.90 mm<sup>2</sup> over 12 months of observation.

**The calculated QDAF growth rate is 0.45 mm<sup>2</sup>/year.**

# QDAF Lesion Transformation to Definitely Decreased Autofluorescence (DDAF) Lesion in STGD1



The image data show transformation from QDAF into DDAF. The total area (DDAF + QDAF) enlarged from 2.35 to 2.54 mm<sup>2</sup>.

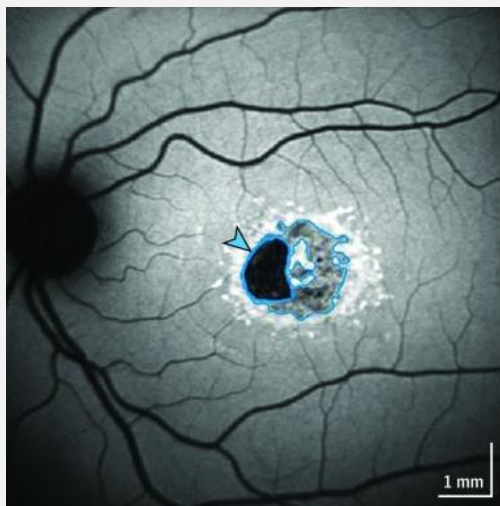
**Calculated Lesion Growth Rates**  
**DDAF: 0.692 mm<sup>2</sup>/year expansion; QDAF 0.588 mm<sup>2</sup>/year reduction**



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# STGD1 Clinical Trials

# Interim Phase 2 Results: Change in DDAF & QDAF Lesion Size During Tinlarebant



DDAF, or lesion (“dead retina”) in STGD1 patient as measured by retinal imaging. This is the area where retinal cells and vision are lost.

DDAF <sup>(1)</sup> During Tinlarebant				
Subject No.	Ph1b baseline (mm <sup>2</sup> )	Ph2 baseline (mm <sup>2</sup> )	Ph2 6-m (mm <sup>2</sup> )	Ph2 12-m (mm <sup>2</sup> )
1	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0
3	-	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0
8	-	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0
11	0	0	0.32	0.44
12	0	0	0	0
13	0	0	0	0
			<b>Cohort Mean</b>	<b>0.03</b>

Sources	Mean lesion growth rate (DDAF+QDAF <sup>(2)</sup> )
The Prospective Cohort Study of Childhood-Onset STGD1 by Georgiou et al. 2020 <sup>(2)</sup>	0.69 ± 0.72 mm <sup>2</sup> /year, n=53
Belite Bio 1-year data	<b>0.26 ± 0.38 mm<sup>2</sup>/year</b>



Belite Bio 1-year data <b>Distribution of DDAF and QDAF Lesion Growth</b>	<b>DDAF: 0.03 ± 0.12 mm<sup>2</sup>/year</b> <b>QDAF: 0.23 ± 0.40 mm<sup>2</sup>/year</b>
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Note: (1) Lesion growth data in the Table shows the average lesion growth of both eyes in each subject.

(2) The combined QDAF + DDAF lesion size area is referred to as decreased autofluorescence (DAF). Georgiou et al. Am J Ophthalmol. 2020 Mar;211:159-175.



# Interim Phase 2 Results: Well-Tolerated Drug-Related Adverse Events



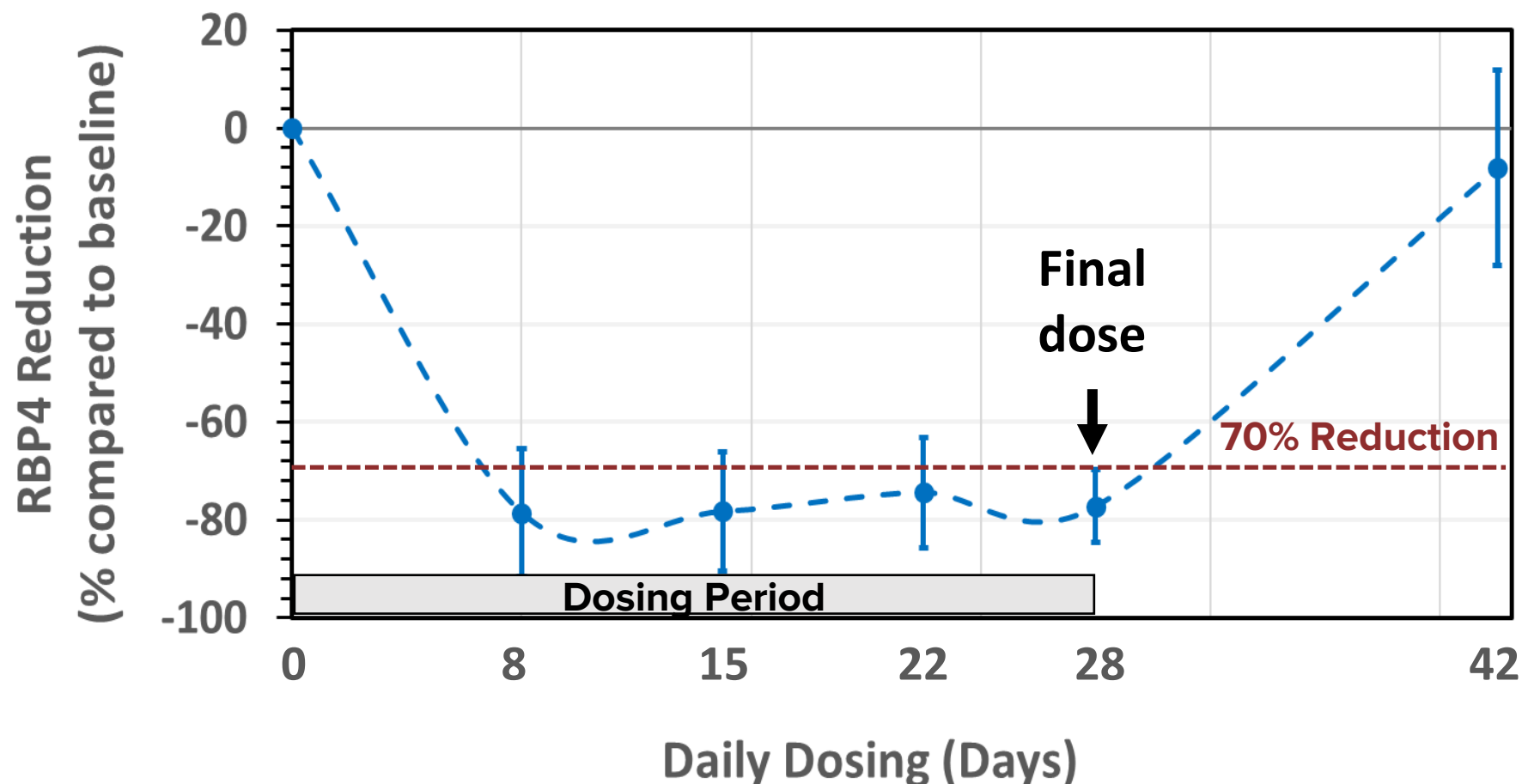
Adverse Events	Severity	Relationship to Drug	Frequency (#patients)	% Recovered	% On-going
<b>Xanthopsia</b>	Mild	Definitely Related	10/13	6/10 (60%)	4/10 (40%)
<b>Delayed Dark Adaptation</b>	Mild	Definitely Related	9/13	1/9 (11%)	8/9 (89%)
<b>Night Vision Impairment</b>	Mild	Definitely Related	1/13	0/1	1/1 (100%)
<b>Increasing error score on FM100</b>	Mild	Probably Related	1/13	0/1	1/1 (100%)

- All subjects have received **at least 12 months** of Tinlarebant treatment to date
- All instances of DDA and Xanthopsia were **mild** and **transient**
- Subjects shown to have DDA based on laboratory measure were mostly **asymptomatic**
- One subject recorded to have an increasing error score on FM100 test (tests color vision and color perception) showed only a **mild** impact
- **No severe AEs or SAEs** reported and no AEs requiring discontinuation of treatment
- **No clinically significant** findings in relation to vital signs, physical exams or electrocardiograms

# Tinlarebant: $\geq 70\%$ Reduction of RBP4



Phase 1b, 5mg Daily Dosing in Adolescent STGD1: Mean Percent Reduction of RBP4



Note: 6 subjects in Australian sites only as data of 5 subjects in Taiwan could not be collected due to COVID-19 restrictions at the NTUH site in Taiwan

# Clinical Trial Design Overview in STGD1



**Reduction in Lesion Growth Rate (DDAF) as Measured by Retinal Imaging is an FDA Accepted Primary Endpoint in STGD1 and GA**

	<b>STGD1 Phase 2</b> <i>(12-Month Interim Data Available)</i>	<b>STGD1 “Dragon” Phase 3*</b> <i>(Enrolling)</i>
<b>Enrollment</b>	13 subjects (QDAF, no DDAF)	At least 90 subjects (must have DDAF)
<b>Sites</b>	Australia & Taiwan	Global
<b>Masking</b>	Open Label	Double Blind
<b>Placebo</b>	N/A	2:1 ratio (Tinlarebant : Placebo)
<b>Treatment duration</b>	2 years	2 years
<b>Primary measures</b>	Safety & tolerability, optimal dose	Efficacy as measured through DDAF lesion growth rate, safety & tolerability
<b>Other measures</b>	DDAF, QDAF, BCVA, SD-OCT, microperimetry	QDAF, BCVA, SD-OCT, microperimetry
<b>Interim analysis</b>	Yes	Yes
<b>Key inclusion criteria</b>	12-20 years old, diagnosed STGD1 with at least one mutation identified in the ABCA4 gene	12-20 years old, diagnosed STGD1 with at least 1 mutation identified in the ABCA4 gene, atrophic lesion size within 3 disc areas (7.62 mm <sup>2</sup> ), a BCVA of 20/200 or better

\*FDA may require another clinical trial depending on the data from the ongoing Phase 3 study



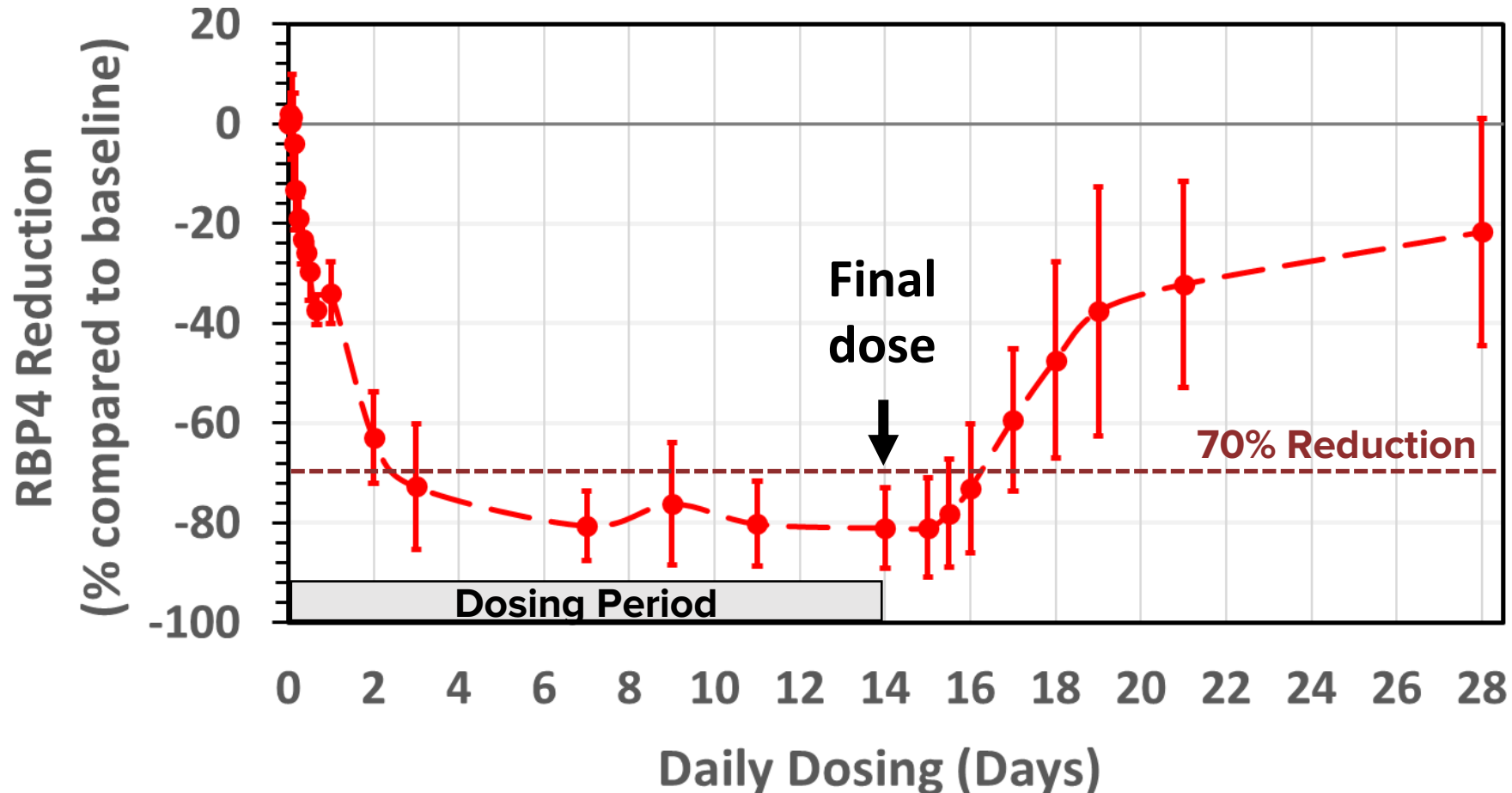
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# Phase 3 Advanced Dry AMD



# Tinlarebant: $\geq 70\%$ Reduction of RBP4

Phase 1, 5mg Daily Dosing in Healthy Adults: Mean Percent Reduction of RBP4 (excludes placebo)



# Clinical Trial Design Overview in GA



- **Established Efficacy Endpoint** – Reduction in Lesion Growth Rate (DDAF) as Measured by Retinal Imaging is the FDA Accepted Primary Endpoint for STGD1 and GA
- **Early Intervention** – Targeting patients with small lesion size to potentially slow or halt disease progress at an early stage
- **Oral Once a Day Treatment** – well suited for long term treatment for chronic diseases
- **Broad Potential** – Primary focus on GA; potential to treat earlier stages (e.g., intermediate AMD)

	GA Phase 3 “Phoenix”*
<b>Enrollment</b>	Approximately 430 subjects
<b>Sites</b>	Global
<b>Masking</b>	Double Blind
<b>Placebo</b>	2:1 ratio (Tinlarebant : Placebo)
<b>Treatment duration</b>	2 years
<b>Primary measures</b>	Efficacy as measured through DDAF lesion growth rate, safety & tolerability
<b>Other measures</b>	QDAF, BCVA, SD-OCT, microperimetry
<b>Interim analysis</b>	Yes

\*Additional Phase 3 study expected to be required prior to NDA filing



# 2022 Full-Year Financial Results

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# 2022 Full-Year Financial Results



(In thousand USD)	For the years ended December 31	
	2021	2022
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	9,797	12,821
<b>- R&amp;D</b>	7,419	8,869
<b>- G&amp;A</b>	2,378	3,952
<b>Net loss</b>	(9,818)	(12,844)



- IPO net proceeds: \$38.0 million including the overallotment
- Cash: \$42.1 million



# 2023 Key Anticipated Milestones



## Q1

- Initiated PHOENIX Phase 3 study in GA 
- 42 subjects enrolled in DRAGON Phase 3 study in STGD1 

## Q2

- April 25 - ARVO Presentation of 18-month Phase 2 efficacy and safety data in STGD1
- May 3 - KOL event to discuss 18-month Phase 2 efficacy and safety data in STGD1
- Initiate enrollment in PHOENIX Phase 3 study in GA

## H2

- Topline 24-month Phase 2 efficacy and safety data in STGD1
- Complete enrollment in DRAGON Phase 3 study in STGD1



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