

Transforming the Possible in Neuroscience

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Cerevel:

Transforming the Possible in Neuroscience



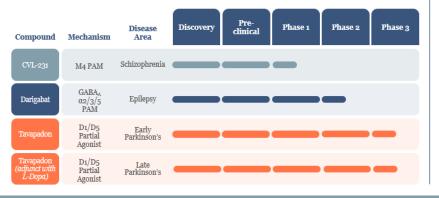


Cerevel is Transforming Possibilities for Tomorrow

Multiple Programs Aimed at Providing New Options for Millions of Patients

Tangible near-term value creation

- Schizophrenia
- **Epilepsy**
- Parkinson's



Expansion to other diseases

- Alzheimer's Psychosis
- Anxiety
- **Apathy**
- Substance Abuse Disorder



Long-term discovery efforts

Disease-modifying therapies based on human genetics and novel targets addressing:

- Neuronal loss
- Synaptic health







Today's Agenda

| Time | Topic | Presenter(s) | | |
|------------------|---|--|---|---|
| 9:00 – 9:10 AM | Cerevel: Transforming the Possible in Neuroscience | Tony Coles, M.D. Chief Executive Officer & Chairperson | | |
| 9:10 – 10:05 AM | Deep Dive: Darigabat (CVL-865): GABA _A α2/3/5 PAM for Epilepsy / Anxiety | Raymond Sanchez, M.D. Chief Medical Officer | Rachel Gurrell Darigabat Scientific Lead | Julie Jordan, M.D. Darigabat Medical Lead |
| 10:05 – 10:30 AM | Our Science: A Differentiated Knowledge of Neurocircuitry • PDE4B Inhibitor Program • KOR Antagonist Program | John Renger, Ph.D. Chief Scientific Officer | Phil Iredale, Ph.D. Vice President, Biology | Georgette Suidan Ph.D. KORA Scientific Lead |
| 10:30 - 11:00 AM | Q&A | All, including Kathy Yi, Chief Financial Officer | | |



Highlights



Utilizing our differentiated understanding of disease-related biology and neurocircuitry of the brain with advanced chemistry to develop novel therapies for CNS diseases



Broad portfolio of 11 assets targeting large markets with significant unmet need, including schizophrenia, epilepsy, and Parkinson's Disease





Progressing towards multiple near and medium-term catalysts, with 8 data readouts and multiple INDs expected over the next 3 years



Leveraging a seasoned management team with extensive expertise in neuroscience and a strong track record of over 20 prior drug approvals and commercialization



Tony Coles, M.D. Chief Executive Officer & Chairperson



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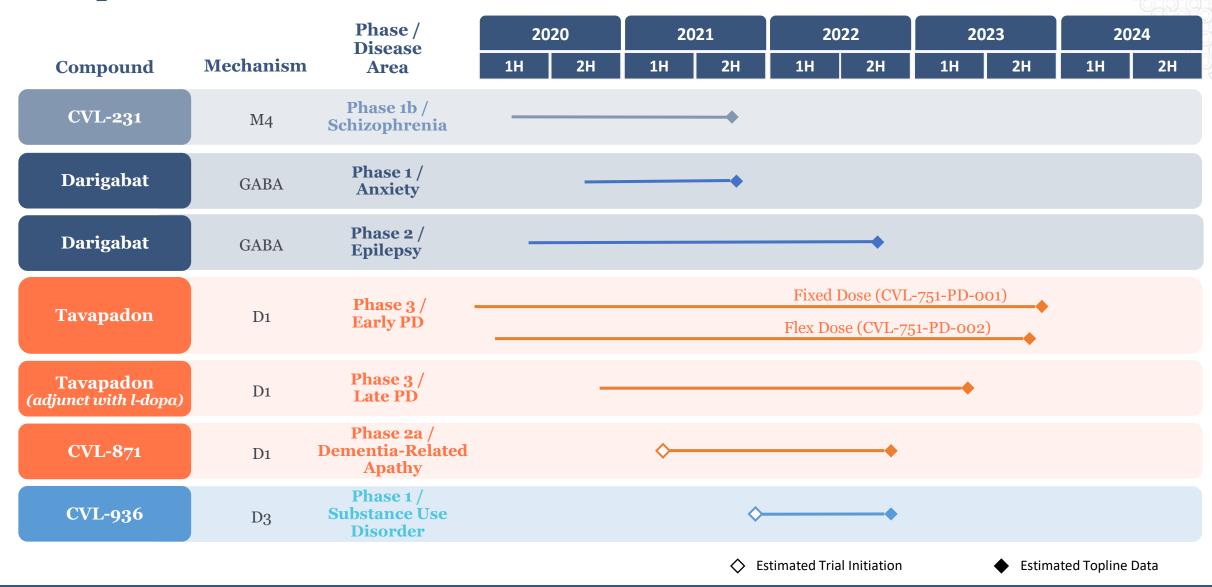








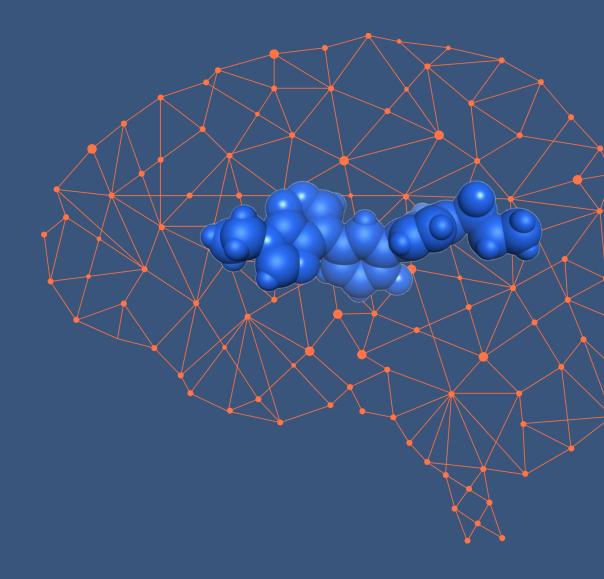
Expected Portfolio Timeline





Darigabat (GABA_A PAM)

Selectively targeting the α -2/3/5 subunits of the GABA_A receptor with the goal of enhancing anticonvulsant and anxiolytic effects without doselimiting sedation





Darigabat has Potential for Benzo-like Activity With Improved Side Effect Profile

Opportunity for New Treatment Option in Epilepsy & Anxiety

Darigabat

Across both indications, HCPs and patients are dissatisfied due to insufficient activity, side effects and poor tolerability

Targeted GABA α 2/3/5 **Receptor Selectivity**

Benzo-like Anxiolysis & **Anticonvulsant Activity**

Improved Tolerability

Potential for Reduced **Abuse Liability**



~65M

Worldwide

30+AEDs

Approved

Poor Tolerability & Withdrawal

~30%

of Patients Refractory to Medication

>280M Anxiety

Patients Worldwide with **Anxiety Disorders**

<50% **Remission Rate**

No new medications in over 10 years



Potential as chronic therapy with improved side effect profile and tolerability may expand use vs. traditional benzodiazepines



Darigabat Speaker Bios



Rachel GurrellDarigabat Scientific Lead

- Joined Cerevel October 2018
- Over 20 years experience in industry
- 16 years in various roles at Pfizer focusing on neuroscience and pain
- Lead Biologist, Clinical Lead and Program Lead for Darigabat
- 10 publications related to Darigabat / GABA pharmacology



Julie Jordan, M.D.
Senior Director, Global Clinical Development
Darigabat Medical Lead

- Joined Cerevel August 2019
- A.B. Harvard College and M.D. Harvard Medical School
- Internal Medicine Residency, Massachusetts General Hospital
- Former Clinical Instructor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School
- Led Clinical Development in Neuropsychiatry at Teva and Avanir

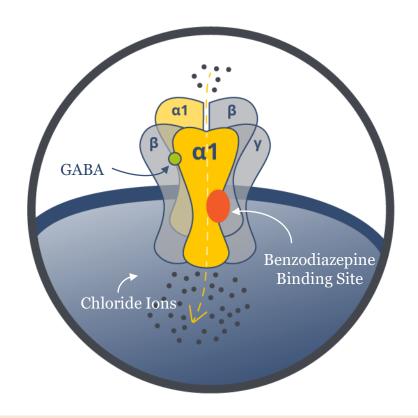


Mechanism of Action





GABA_A Receptor Pharmacology 101



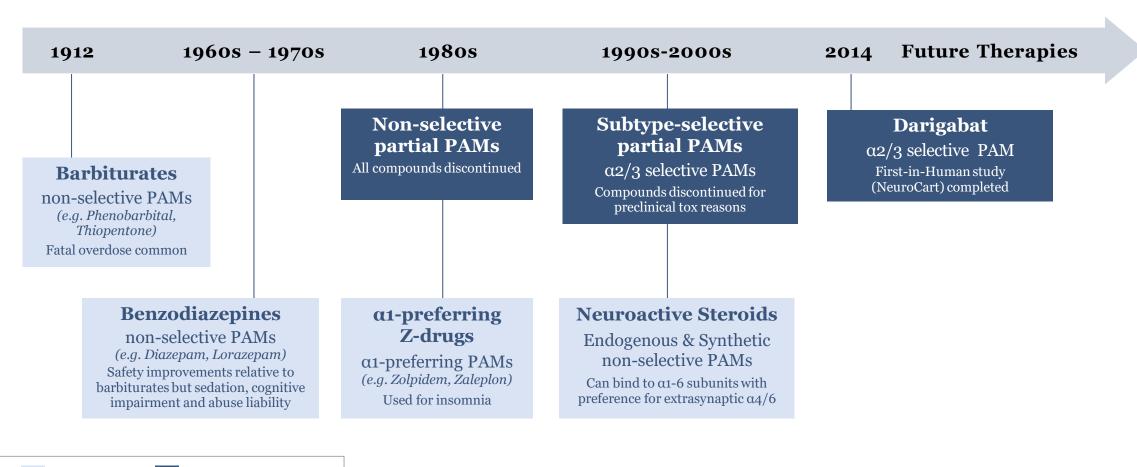
GABA-induced chloride influx hyperpolarizes neurons, preventing action potentials and dampens down excitability

- GABA_A receptors are ligand-gated ion channels controlling chloride flux
- Benzodiazepine-sensitive GABA_A receptors are pentameric and frequently contain:
 - Two α subunits one of 4 subtypes (1, 2, 3, and 5)
 - Two β subunits
 - One γ subunit
- Benzodiazepines have no intrinsic effect of their own but are positive allosteric modulators (PAMs), potentiating the effects of GABA non-selectively at $GABA_A$ receptors containing $\alpha 1/2/3/5$ subunits
 - Used widely for anxiety, mood disorders, epilepsy, sleep, anesthesia



GABA_A receptor PAMs – class innovation

Timeline of GABA Research and Drug Development



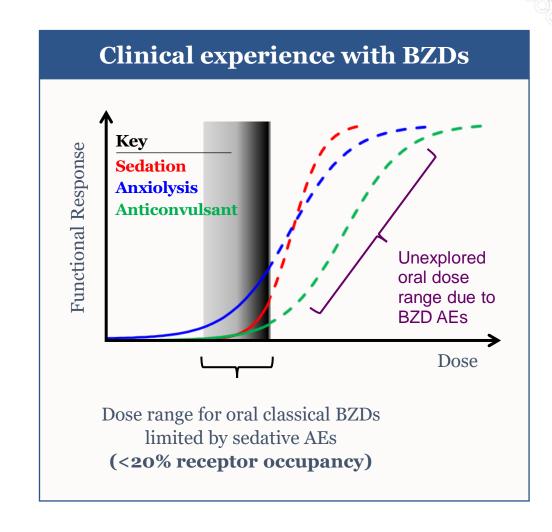


Products

Research Programs

The Problem With Benzodiazepines (abridged...)

- BZDs are efficacious in a range of indications but use and dose is limited by adverse events, even at low receptor occupancy
 - Sedation, somnolence, cognitive impairment, falls, overuse, misuse and addiction
- In general, BZDs are used acutely in epilepsy but not indicated for chronic use due to tolerance or loss of efficacy
- Darigabat has the potential to be used chronically by minimizing adverse events, risk of tolerance and abuse





Darigabat: New Mechanistic Class & Structurally Distinct from BZDs

- Pharmacology of α subtypes elucidated through knock-out mouse models ~ 20 years ago
- Development of "z-drugs" with higher α1 affinity to treat insomnia (not effective as anxiolytics)

GABA_A α-2/3/5 Can Differentially Address Symptoms¹

| | Darigabat | | | t |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|----|
| GABA subtype predicted effects: | α1 | α2 | α3 | α5 |
| Anti-convulsant | √ √ | / / | | |
| Anxiolysis | | / / | √ ✓ | |
| Analgesia Benzodiazepi | ne | / / | ✓ | √√ |
| Muscle Relaxation side effects | | 11 | √ √ | |
| Sedation | / / | | | |
| Cognitive Impairment | √ ✓ | ? | ? | ✓ |
| Addiction | √ ✓ | ✓ | | |

Selectively Targeting Activity

α1-sparing PAM designed to

Enable clinical exploration at higher receptor occupancy than has been possible before

Improve side effect profile vs classical BZDs

Have broad-spectrum anticonvulsant and anxiolytic activity

Darigabat



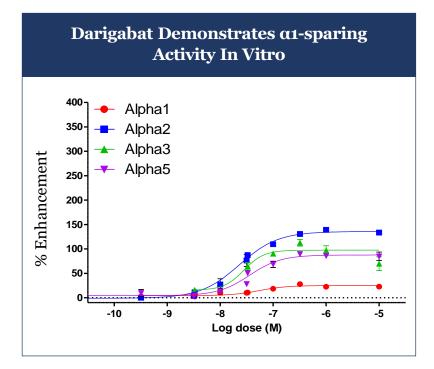
To our knowledge, darigabat is the only GABA α -2/3/5 selective PAM in clinical trials for epilepsy or anxiety

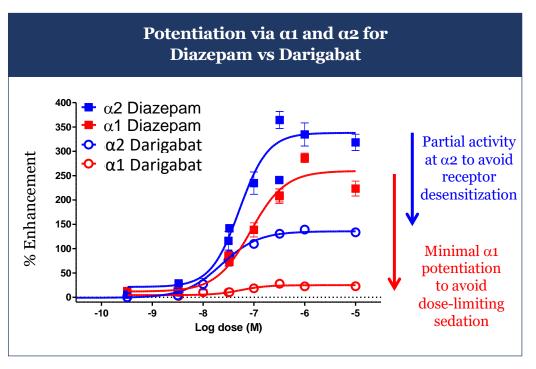


Darigabat In Vitro Selectivity Profile

- Darigabat is structurally distinct from a classic BZD but binds to the BZD-binding site
- Darigabat is *functionally selective* for $\alpha 2/3/5$ containing GABA_A receptors despite binding to all BZD-sensitive subtypes $(\alpha 1/2/3/5)$

| GABA _A Receptor Subtype | Human Binding Ki (nM) |
|--|-----------------------------|
| α1β3γ2 | 0.16 |
| α2β2γ2 | 2.47 |
| α3β3γ2 | 1.06 |
| α5β2γ2 | 18.04 |
| α4β3γ2 | >12500 |
| α6β3γ2 | >12500 |





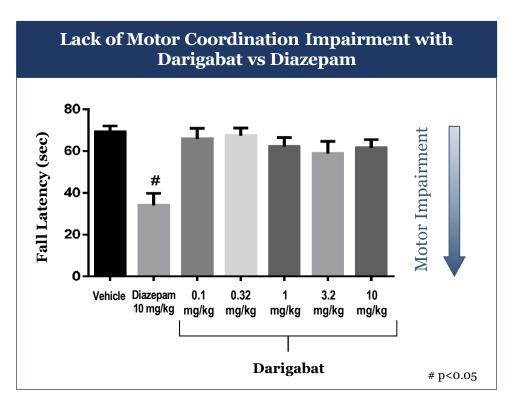


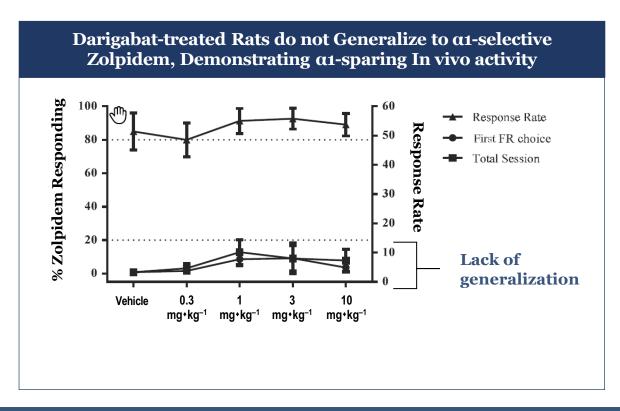
While darigabat binds to α_1 , it confers very low potentiation relative to α_2 , 3 and 5



Preclinical data with Darigabat demonstrates α_1 -sparing activity, differentiated from a BZD

- Preclinical pharmacology and tolerability profile consistent with hypothesized effect of $\alpha 2/3/5$ engagement and minimal $\alpha 1$ pharmacology
 - No effect on mouse rotarod at >80% receptor occupancy
 - Drug discrimination: darigabat appears distinct from the α1 selective PAM zolpidem





α2/3/5 Subtype-selective PAMs avoided tolerance or withdrawal in preclinical models

Darigabat appears to avoid tolerance or withdrawal based on preclinical toxicity studies up to 9 months

- Chronic BZD use leads to tolerance or loss of efficacy over time
- Subtype-selective PAMs designed with "partial" activity at a subunits to reduce tolerance and withdrawal

Mechanisms Underlying Tolerance after Long-Term Benzodiazepine Use: A Future for Subtype-Selective GABAA **Receptor Modulators?** Advances in Pharmacological Sciences

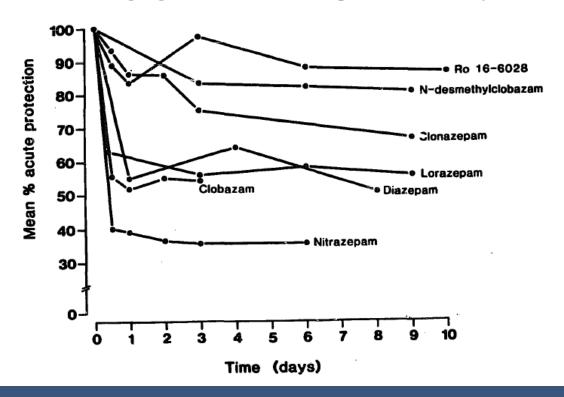
Christiaan H. Vinkers^{1,2} and Berend Olivier^{1,3}

Volume 2012, Article ID 416864, 19 pages doi:10.1155/2012/416864

Together, it can be concluded that so far, $\alpha 2/\alpha 3$ sub-type selective compounds have neither been found to lead to tolerance nor withdrawal symptoms

Lack of tolerance in mouse epilepsy model¹

- Ro 16-6028, an $\alpha 2/3/5$ selective PAM, shows reduced tolerance following 10 days repeated dosing in an animal model of epilepsy
- The same dosing regimen with benzodiazepines show efficacy tolerance





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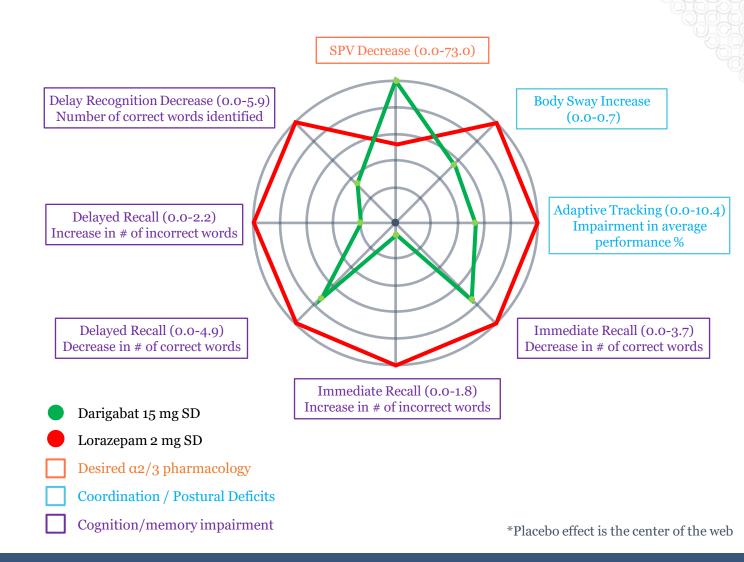
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Darigabat: Favorable Pharmacology in NeuroCart, Differentiated From a BZD

- NeuroCart is a comprehensive battery of tests to evaluate CNS functional domains
- Darigabat first-in-human study tested the following brain functions based on known GABA_A receptor pharmacology:
 - Saccadic peak velocity (SPV) desired α2/3 pharmacology
 - Body sway undesired α1 pharmacology
 - Adaptive tracking undesired α1 pharmacology
 - Visual-verbal learning test undesired α1/5 pharmacology
- Relative to 2 mg lorazepam, darigabat demonstrated a larger decrease in SPV and smaller impairment on body sway, adaptive tracking and cognitive tests









Darigabat: Safety Profile





Preclinical safety

- Preclinical chronic toxicity studies with darigabat are complete (6-month rat and 9-month dog) and support long-term dosing at high receptor occupancy in the clinic
- Darigabat identified as a potential aneugen in in vitro and in vivo assays (observation of micronuclei)*
 - Pfizer self-imposed a dosing cap of 1/10 the NOAEL resulting in multiple dose clinical trials being limited to 7.5 mg BID (~60% receptor occupancy)
 - FDA Type C request to discuss the self-imposed dose cap resulted in feedback in 2017 that darigabat may be administered up to 50 mg BID (>80% receptor occupancy) in multiple dose trials
- Transgenic studies indicate $\alpha 1 > \alpha 2$ subtypes involved in addictive properties of BZDs
 - BZDs support self-administration (full generalization) in rodents and primate models
 - $\alpha 2/\alpha 3$ subtype selective compounds also support self-administration, but to a lesser extent



^{*} aneugen is a substrate that causes a daughter cell to have an abnormal number of chromosomes. Believed to be a threshold response with no clear evidence for carcinogenicity. micronuclei are the small nuclei that form whenever a chromosome or fragment of a chromosome is not incorporated into one of the daughter nuclei during cell division.

Clinical Safety Across Trials

- Tested in over 300 subjects across nine completed and three ongoing trials
- Majority of side effects were mild or moderate
- Most common side effects: dizziness, drowsiness, fatigue
 - No sedation observed at any dose to date
- Side effects mitigated by titration in multi-dose studies, with no dose-dependent increases in AE severity
- Have achieved receptor occupancies >80% with only mild to moderate side effects
- To date, there have been no clinical observations reported related to aneugenicity (e.g. leukopenia)
- No evidence of withdrawal in multi-dose Phase 2 studies using the Physician's Withdrawal Checklist or on self-reported AEs in all clinical trials to date



GABA PAM Data Showed a Favorable Side Effect Profile Relative to Benzodiazepines in Phase 1 MAD Study

Multiple doses of darigabat

Phase 1 MAD Study – only mild AEs and limited somnolence up to 42.5 mg BID

Able to achieve >80% receptor occupancy without significant drowsiness observed

No evidence of withdrawal effects

No evidence of micronuclei formation

Phase 1 MAD Study

| | Reaction | Week 1 (Titration) | Week 2 (Maintenance) | Week 3 (Maintenance) | Follow-up |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Placebo | No Reaction | 4/4 | 4/4 | 3/4 | 4/4 |
| | Dizziness | - | - | 1/4 | - |
| | Drowsiness | - | - | - | - |
| 25 mg | No Reaction | 5/8 | 7/8 | 8/8 | 8/8 |
| BID (~80% RO ⁽¹⁾) | Dizziness | 2/8 | 1/8 | - | - |
| | Drowsiness | 3/8 | - | - | - |
| 42.5 mg BID (>80% RO ⁽¹⁾) | No Reaction | 4/7 | 6/7 | 6/7 | 6/7 |
| | Dizziness | 3/7 | 1 / 7 | 1/7 | 1 / 7 |
| | Drowsiness | - | - | - | - |



No drowsiness observed following titration through doses of 42.5 mg BID



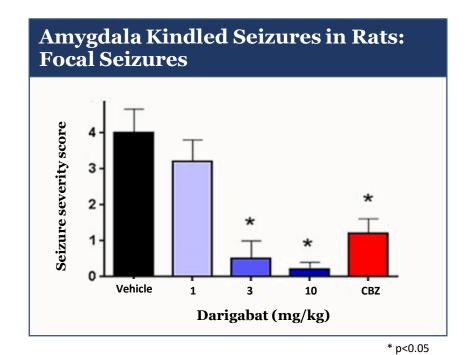
Darigabat in Epilepsy

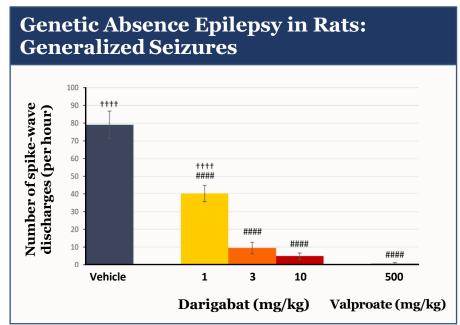




Darigabat is Anticonvulsant in a Range of Preclinical Models

- Strong correlation of animal models of seizures translating to clinical activity across mechanism
- Darigabat demonstrated broad spectrum activity at ~>50% receptor occupancy
 - Darigabat is active in pentylenetetrazol-induced seizures
 - Amygdala kindling is a validated model for predicting activity in focal seizures
 - Genetic absence epilepsy rat model predictive of activity in absence (generalized) seizures



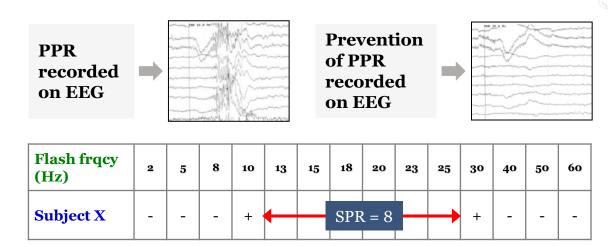


†††† p<0.0001 vs. valproate; #### p<0.0001 vs. vehicle

Darigabat demonstrated broad spectrum preclinical anticonvulsant activity, potentially through high receptor occupancy at a2 subunits

Identifying an Early Signal of Anticonvulsant Activity in the Photosensitive Epilepsy Model

- Population that translates well (efficacy and dose)
- Subjects exposed to bursts of light with different flash frequencies
- Epileptiform activity (photoparoxysmal response; PPR) observed on EEG
- Effective AEDs reduce/block the Standardized Photosensitive Range (SPR) at clinically relevant doses
 - Including levetiracetam and, more recently, cenobamate
 - Sedatives that are not anticonvulsant do not impact SPR indicating it is a selective effect



| AED | Doses investigated in POP trial (mg) | ED _{50–100} (mg) | MED (type of seizure indicated) ^a | Ratio MED:ED ₅₀₋₁₀₀ |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Diazepam | 5 | 5 | 2 mg (adjunct in convulsive disorders) | 0.4 |
| Sodium valproate | 600, 900 | 600 | 600 mg (partial) | 1 |
| Mephenytoin | 400 | 400 | 200 mg (generalised) | 0.5 |
| Progabide | 1200–1800, 2700 | 1200-1800 | 1800 mg ^c (partial + generalised) | 1.2 |
| Ethosuximide | 400 | 400 | 500 mg (generalised) | 1.3 |
| Primidone | 500 | 500 | 750 mg (generalised) | 1.5 |
| Lamotrigine | 120, 240 | 240 | 225 mg (partial + generalised) | 0.9 |
| Nafimidone | 200, 400 | 400 | 600 mg ^d (partial) | 1.5 |
| Carbamazepine | 400 | 400 | 800 mg (partial + generalised) | 2 |
| Loreclezole | 100-110, 150 | 100 | 12.5 mg ^e (partial) | 0.13 |
| Levetiracetam | 250, 500, 750, 1000 | 500-1000 | 1000 mg (partial) | 1.3 |
| Carisbamate | 500, 750, 1000 | 500-1000 | 350 mg ^f (partial) | 0.4 |
| Brivaracetam | 10, 20, 40, 80 | 10 | 5 mg ^g (partial) | 0.5 |



Photosensitive Epilepsy Model Study Design

- Randomized, double-blind, placebo- and active-controlled single dose cross-over study
- Up to 8 subjects to be randomized to one of four active-treatment cross-over sequence groups, where:
 - A = placebo
 - B = darigabat 17.5 mg (~ 60% receptor occupancy)
 - C = darigabat 52.5 mg (~ 80% receptor occupancy)
 - D = lorazepam 2 mg

| Sequence | Treatment period 1 | Treatment period 2 | Treatment period 3 | Treatment period 4 |
|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 (n=2) | A | В | C | D |
| 2 (n=2) | В | D | A | C |
| 3 (n=2) | C | A | D | В |
| 4 (n=2) | D | C | В | A |

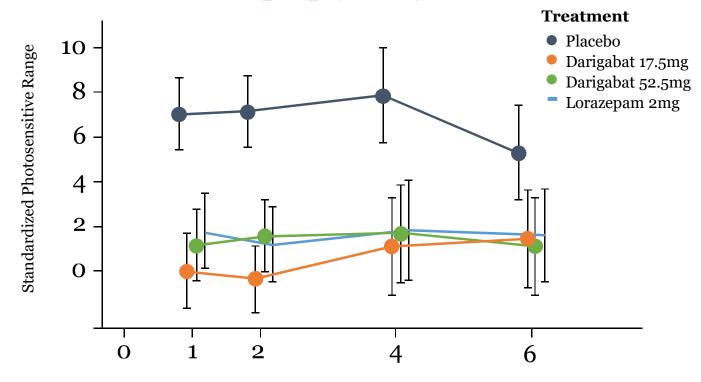
Washout 1-3 weeks between treatment periods

- Primary endpoint: reduction of standardized photosensitivity range (SPR)
 - SPR was measured pre-dose, then at 1, 2, 4 and 6 hours post-dose
- Secondary endpoint: proportion of subjects with complete suppression, partial suppression and no response



Darigabat Phase 2 Data Showed Benzo-like Anticonvulsant Activity in Photosensitive Epilepsy⁽¹⁾

Darigabat in Single-Dose Photosensitive Epilepsy Study



Time post-dose (hours)

Darigabat Results

Anticonvulsant activity comparable to lorazepam at both doses (achieving ~60 and 80% receptor occupancy)

Complete suppression in 6 of 7 subjects

Majority of AEDs developed for epilepsy that demonstrated positive published photoepilepsy results were approved⁽²⁾



Darigabat Phase 2 Design in Focal Epilepsy: Data Expected 2H22

Darigabat Phase 2 Program In Epilepsy

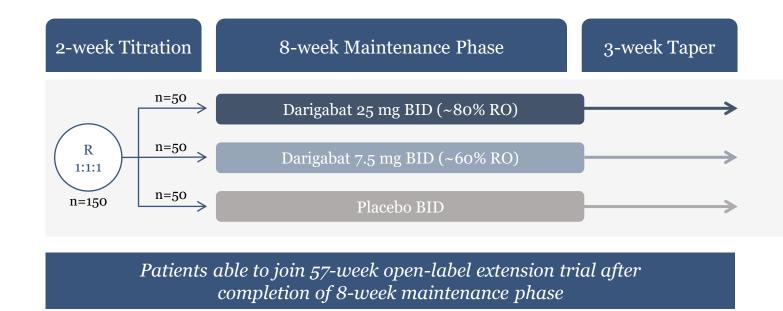
Targeting ~60 sites in 3 countries

Inclusion criteria

- Adults (18-75) with drug-resistant focal onset seizures
- History of 4+ seizures per month for at least 3 months
- 1-3 stable background AEDs allowed

Primary endpoint

Reduction in focal onset seizure frequency





Focal epilepsy intended to establish proof of concept and side effect profile to support development in broader epilepsy indications



Epilepsy Treatment Landscape





Darigabat has Potential for Benzodiazepine-like Activity, Improved Side Effects and Chronic Dosing in Epilepsy

Darigabat

Potential to become first-line and adjunct therapy

Targeted GABA α 2/3/5 **Receptor Selectivity**

Benzodiazepine-like Activity

Improved Tolerability

Potential for Reduced **Abuse Liability**

Opportunity for New Treatment Option in Epilepsy

HCPs and patients are dissatisfied due to insufficient activity, side effects and poor tolerability

Large **Patient**

~65M **Patients** Worldwide >\$6B G7

Revenues in 2018

~6% per year Branded AED¹ Market Growth through 2025

Benzos are highly efficacious, but...

Need

Poor **Tolerability** Desensitization & Loss of Efficacy

Potential for Abuse

Withdrawal



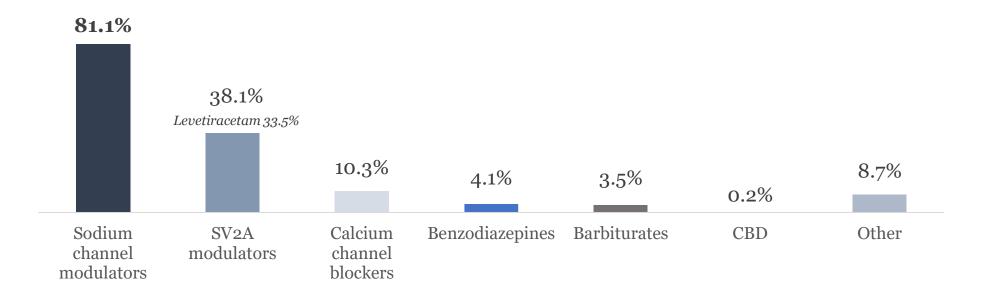
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Treatment Options Dominated by Sodium Channel Modulators

Total Epilepsy Patient Share

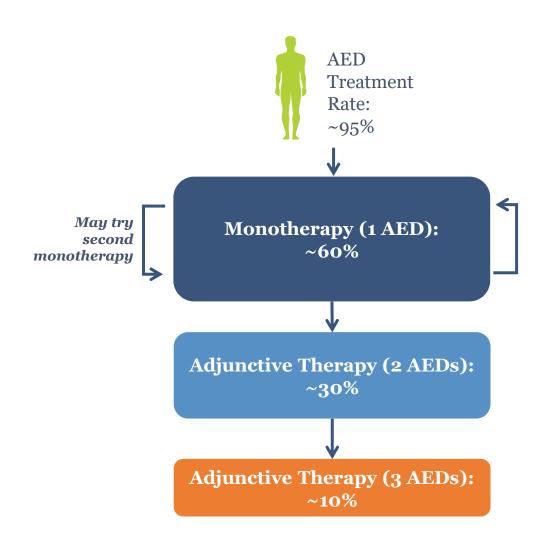
Note: Numbers sum to >100% due to significant polypharmacy

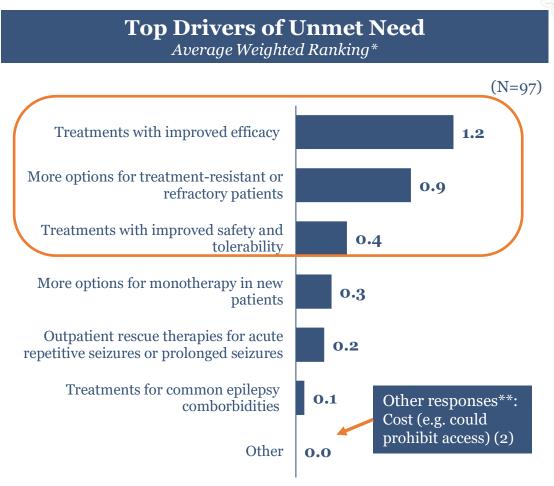


Significant need for a safe and well tolerated agent with a new mechanism



AEDs: Efficacy Still a Top Priority for Physicians, Followed by Safety





Question 7: What are the top 3 drivers of unmet need among adult, focal epilepsy patients? Please rank the top 3 drivers.



^{*} Average Weighted Ranking scale is designed such that higher numbers represent a higher rank as selected by more physicians.

^{**} Parentheses signify number of physicians that selected this option

Darigabat: Potential for Benzodiazepine-like Anticonvulsant Activity for *Chronic* Treatment

Darigabat Summary



Novel mechanism



Potential for better activity than chronic treatment alternatives



Potentially favorable side effect profile



Significant unmet patient need (focal & generalized epilepsy)

Pricing & Launch

- High branded market share despite many generics
- Slow erosion to generics
- Branded US price analogs >\$10K/year



Darigabat in Anxiety





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 $> 280M^{1}$

Patients
Worldwide with
Anxiety Disorders

<50% Remission Rate² No new medications in over 10 years

Benzos are highly efficacious, but...

High

Need

Unmet

Indicated for short-term use

Poor Tolerability Potential for Abuse

Withdrawal



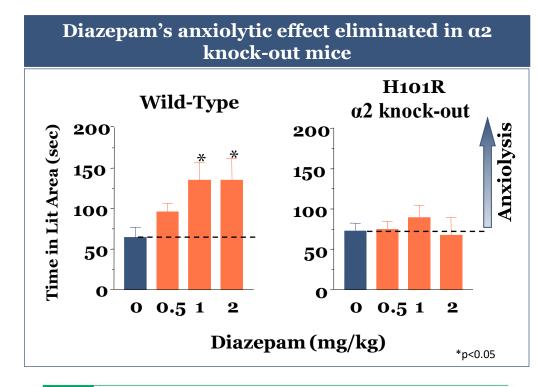
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Identification of $\alpha 2/3$ Subunits as Targets for Anxiolysis

α2/3-subunits are responsible for the preclinical anxiolytic activity of BZDs

- The GABA_A receptor is a precedented clinical target for anxiety disorders
- Functional knockout studies in mice have attributed the anxiolytic effects of BZDs to α2/3-containing GABA_A subunits
- Exploiting α2/3-subunit pharmacology to exert anxiolytic benefits is "The Holy Grail"



Review



Feature Review

Anxioselective anxiolytics: on a quest for the Holy Grail

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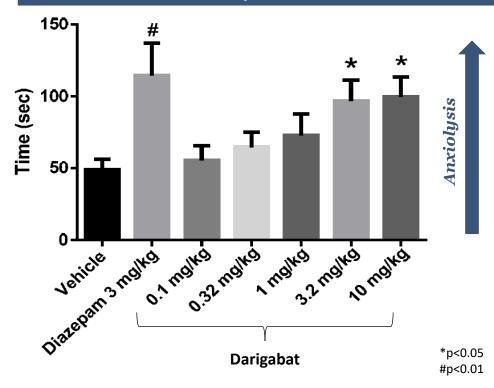


Darigabat Demonstrated Activity in Preclinical Model of Anxiety

- Darigabat demonstrated anxiolytic activity in preclinical model of anxiety at ~ 70% receptor occupancy
- Model is sensitive to anxiolytics such as benzodiazepines and SSRIs

Darigabat retained preclinical anxiolysis, potentially by driving activity through high receptor occupancy at α2

Elevated plus maze in mice: Increased time spent in open arms indicates anxiolytic effect



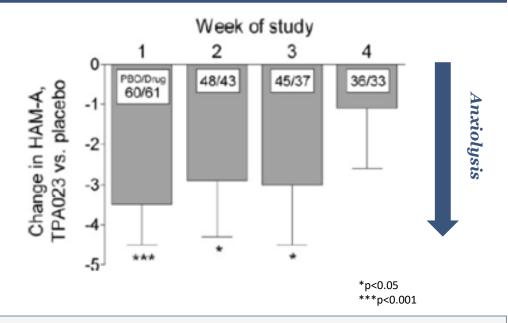


Selective α2/3-Subunit Potentiation is Anxiolytic in Patients with GAD

Anxiolytic potential of $\alpha 2/3$ -subunits has been demonstrated in the clinic

- TPAo23 (lower α2 functional activity than darigabat) was anxiolytic in generalized anxiety disorder trials (3 combined Ph2 trials) at ~70% RO
 - Primary endpoint: Hamilton Anxiety Inventory (HAM-A)
 - TPA023 terminated due to compoundspecific preclinical toxicity
- AZD7325 (significantly lower α2 functional activity than darigabat) was futile in a GAD trial at ~ 70% RO

α2/3-selective TPA023 in Ph2 GAD trial¹



There is a clear reduction in anxiety at earlier time points with TPAo23. However, limited patient numbers makes data interpretation challenging at week 4



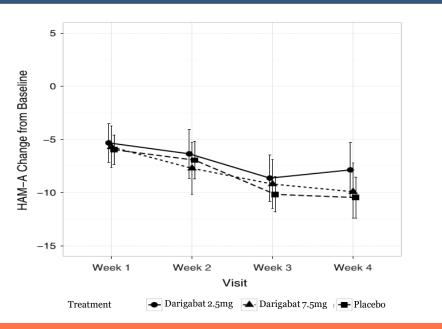
Prior Clinical Study of Darigabat in Anxiety

Use of subtherapeutic doses believed to account for lack of activity in prior trial

Phase 2: Generalized Anxiety Disorder

- Adjunctive therapy trial: enrolled patients with treatment-resistance – persistent anxiety symptoms despite standard-of-care therapy (minimum HAM-A score at entry ≥22)
- Sequential parallel comparison design
- Primary endpoint: HAM-A
- 4 weeks on treatment: 2.5 mg BID darigabat,
 7.5 mg BID darigabat, placebo
 - Max receptor occupancy achieved ~ 60%
- Study stopped early for project prioritization -90 enrolled of planned 384

Darigabat not differentiated from placebo on HAM-A



> 60% receptor occupancy remains unexplored in anxiety



The Hypercapnia (CO₂ Inhalation) Model

- CO₂ inhalation challenge is translational model providing proof-of-principle for anxiolytic activity in early clinical development
- Well-established in both healthy volunteers and in patients with panic disorder
 - Hypercapnia results in increased fear and panic, as measured by Visual Analogue Scales (VAS) and the Panic Symptom List (PSL)¹
- The proposed mechanism of the anxiety induced by hypercapnia model is decreased GABA and increased noradrenaline²
- The model is sensitive to drugs used to treat anxiety disorders (including benzodiazepines & SSRIs) and emerging new treatments with novel mechanisms

CO₂ inhalation induces fear and panic symptoms in healthy volunteers and panic disorder patients

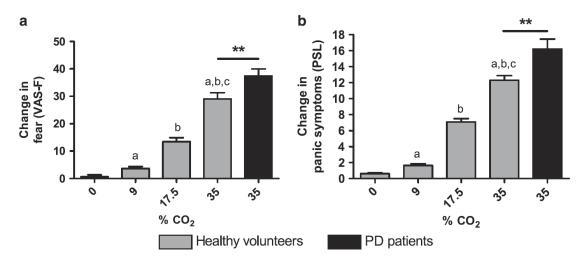


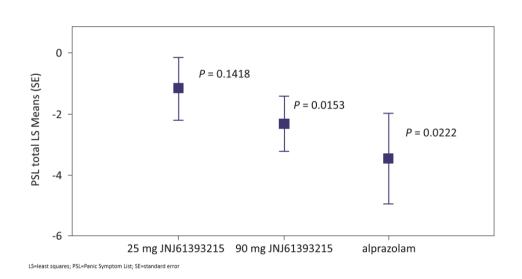
Figure 2. Effect of CO_2 on self-reported fear and panic symptoms in healthy volunteers and PD patients. In healthy volunteers (gray), both fear (a) and panic symptoms (b) increased dose-dependently. Inhaling 35% CO_2 triggered a more robust response in patients (black) when compared with healthy volunteers. Data represent mean+s.e.m. (a) Compared with $0\% CO_2$, P < 0.001; (b) compared with $0\% CO_2$, P < 0.001; $0\% CO_2$, $0\% CO_2$, 0%



Hypercapnia Case Study: Orexin-1 Inhibitor JNJ-61393215

- Randomized, placebo and active-comparator (alprazolam)-controlled, partial cross-over study in healthy volunteers.
 Study drugs were administered for 7 days.
 - Study performed at the Centre for Human Drug Research (CHDR), Netherlands

Anxiety symptoms induced by the 35% CO₂ challenge: LS Means differences between active treatments and placebo



| Individual PSL-IV anxiety items scores in each treatment group |
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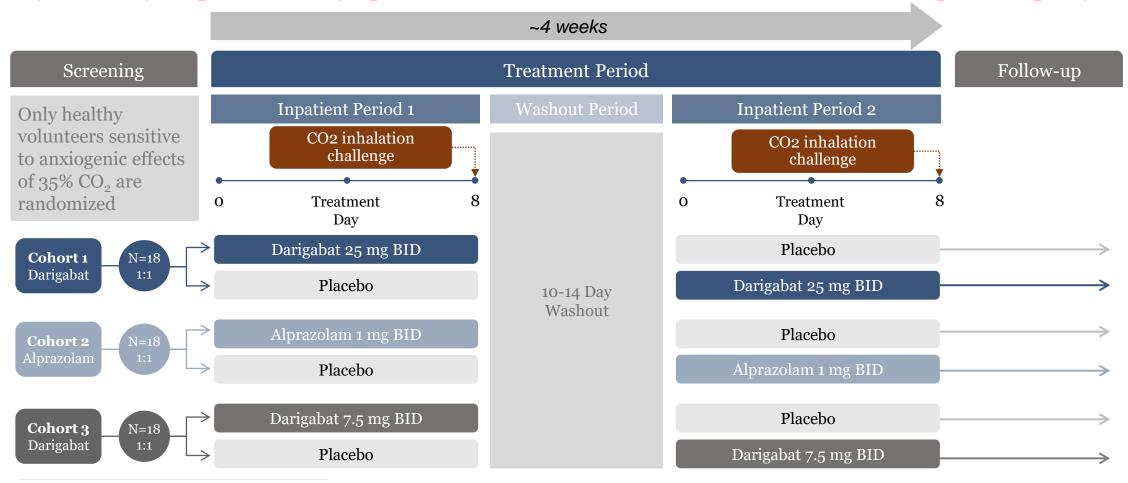
| | РВО | JNJ-61393215 25 mg | РВО | JNJ-61393215 90 mg | РВО | ALPRAZOLAM 1mg |
|----------------------------------|-----|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------|-----|-------------------|
| Dizziness | 1.9 | 1.3 | 2.3 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 1.7 |
| Choking/Gasping for breath | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 1.9 |
| Hot flashes/Cold shiver | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.2 |
| Nausea | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.2 |
| Palipitations | 1.9 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.3 |
| Sweating | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Shortness of breath | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 1.9 |
| Numb/tingling | 0.8 | 0.7 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.7 |
| Depersonalization/ derealization | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.8 |
| Fear of dying | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| Fear of losing contract | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| Chest pain discomfort | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0 |
| Trembling/shaking | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.2 |

- PBO=placebo; PSL=Panic Symptom List
- Significant anxiolytic effect of alprazolam at a therapeutic dose (1 mg BID)
- Anxiolytic effect of JNJ-61393215 (90 mg BID) present in most participants → *POC* in subjects with major depressive disorder and anxious distress underway (NCT04080752)



Darigabat Phase 1 Design in Acute Anxiety - Data Expected 2H21

Randomized, double-blind, placebo- and active-controlled crossover design with multiple doses over 8 days. Primary endpoint: Panic symptoms list¹. Doses selected to achieve ~60 and 80% receptor occupancy



^{1.} The Panic Symptom List (PSL) includes 13 symptoms scored across a range of 0 (absent) to 4 (very intense) that is used to assess panic anxiety. Liebold et al. Trans Psychiatry. 2016.; Bailey et al. J Psychopharm. 2011.; Malizia et al. Arch Gen Psychiatry. 1998.; Salvatore et al. Translational Psychiatry 2020.



Anxiety Treatment Landscape



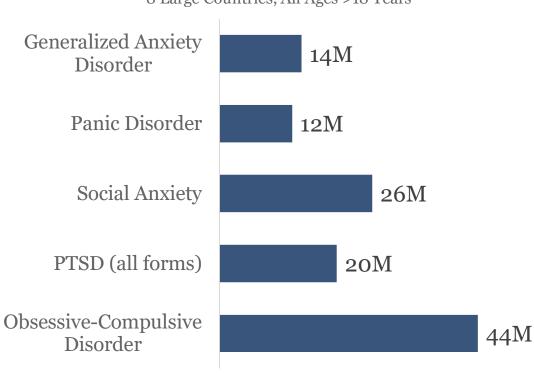


>100M people in the 8 Large Countries and >280M WW Suffer from an Anxiety Disorder^{1,2,4}

- Prevalence of anxiety disorders worldwide ranges from 2.5 to 7% depending on country
- Anxiety disorders are the most common form of mental illness in the US, affecting >45M adults or ~15% of the population each year
- Females are disproportionally impacted by anxiety disorders by over 3:2 compared to males
- GAD will increase by 8% over the next 20 years from 14M to over 15M³
- ~40M U.S. prescriptions for alprazolam in 2018⁵

Estimated 2020 12-Month Total Prevalent Cases¹⁻⁴

8 Large Countries, All Ages >18 Years

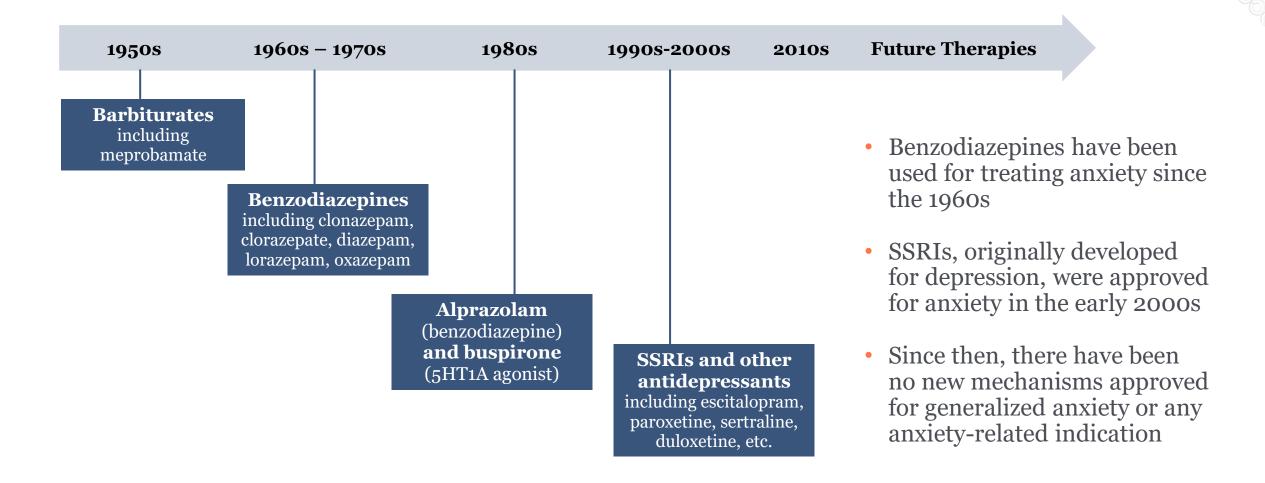


Sources: 1. GlobalData (accessed Dec 2020), 2. 2017 per ourworldindata.org/mental-health, 3. Decision Resources General Anxiety Disorder Epidemiology (2018), 4. Sasson et al. J Clin Psychiatry, 5. https://psychcentral.com/blog/top-25-psychiatric-medications-for-2018 (sourced from IQVIA)



No New Medications in Anxiety in Over a Decade

Timeline of Medications Approved for Anxiety and Anxiety-Related Disorders¹

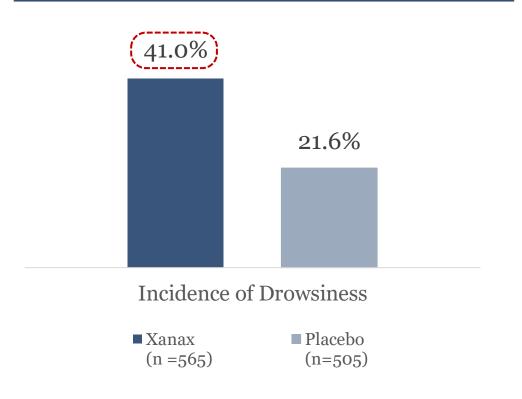




Patient Journey and Standard of Care for Anxiety

- Benzodiazepines used to treat anxiety disorders for
 > 60 years and remain in widespread use
- Adoption of SSRIs as first-line therapy has been due to safety concerns with long term use of benzodiazepines
- Onset of symptom relief is slow with SSRIs;
 patients wait up to 4+ weeks before symptom relief
- By contrast, benzodiazepines have much faster speed of onset and, at least initially, greater efficacy
- Patients prescribed an SSRI may experience an initial increase in anxiety symptoms, and benzodiazepines are often prescribed during this "cover" period
- Successful treatment requires tailoring options to individuals and may often include a combination of modalities

Xanax Label: TEAE Incidence (Drowsiness)*



Sedation is a persistent side effect with benzodiazepines at anxiolytic doses



Darigabat in Anxiety: A Novel Mechanism with Benzodiazepine-like Anxiolysis for *Chronic* Treatment

Darigabat in Anxiety Summary

- Novel mechanism
- Potential for better activity with faster onset than chronic treatment alternatives (e.g. SSRIs)
- Potentially favorable side effect profile (including reduced sedation and abuse liability)
- Potential to replace need for benzodiazepines as "induction" therapy
- Millions of patients with high unmet need



Darigabat: Summary Highlights

High Unmet Need

- 30% of epilepsy patients fail to achieve seizure control despite treatment
- >280 million patients living with anxiety disorders; no new treatments in
 >10 years

α2/3/5 selective Mechanism of Action

- Benzodiazepines are limited to acute use
- Potential for benzodiazepine-like efficacy with minimal side effects and ability to dose chronically

Clinical Data Demonstrating...

- α2/3/5 pharmacology
- Anti-epileptic potential
- Favorable tolerability profile relative to benzodiazepines

Three Ongoing Studies

- Phase 2 in Focal Epilepsy + OLE: data expected in 2H 2022
- Phase 1 in Acute Anxiety: data expected in 2H 2O21

Early Discovery Initiatives





Cerevel's Differentiated Approach to CNS Disease

Leveraging Expertise in Neurocircuitry

Pipeline Uniquely Based on

Differentiated Understanding of Neurocircuitry

Receptor Binding/Modulation

Highly Selective Small Molecules in Clinical Studies

Targeted Receptor Subtype Selectivity

Optimized Receptor Pharmacology

Robust Data Packages

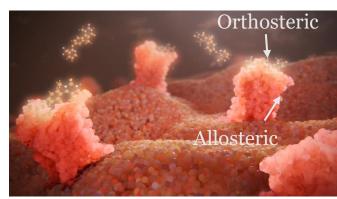


Cerevel's Neurocircuitry Approach to Treating Neuroscience Diseases

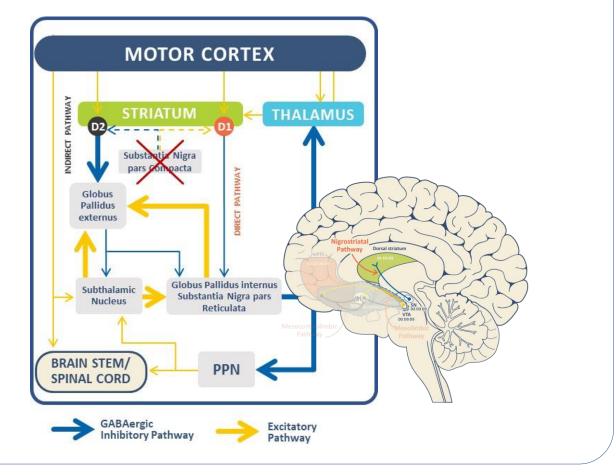
Receptor Selectivity



Receptor Binding / Modulation



Differentiated Understanding of Neurocircuitry



Building Discovery and Translational Capabilities

Target Clinical Lead ID Lead Opt Target ID Phase 1 Phase 2 Phase 3 Validation Enabling Chemical Libraries **Clinical Trials** Genetics in vitro Toxicology DNA-Encoded Libraries in vivo Electrophysiology **CRISPR Screens DMPK** hydroxylamine allylic alcohol epoxide carbocation Artificial Intelligence **Intellectual Property** Behavioral Neurobiology **Patient Stratification Imaging**



Cerevel New Home: 222 Jacobs St, Cambridge

- Cerevel's new facility is ~60,000 sq ft
- 15,500 sq ft dedicated to laboratories
- Located in new Cambridge Crossing development
- Anticipated move: 1Q 2021





Cerevel Preclinical Portfolio: The Next Chapter

| Compound | Mechanism | Disease Area | Upcoming Milestone |
|------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| CVL-354 | KOR Antagonist | MDD / Substance Use Disorder | IND Filing – 1H 2021 |
| Lead Optimization | M4 Agonist | PD-LID | Candidate Selection |
| Lead Optimization | PDE4B | Schizophrenia / MDD | IND Filing – YE 2021 |
| Lead Optimization | LRRK2 | Parkinson's | Candidate Selection |
| Lead Generation | Undisclosed | Neurodegeneration | Lead Generation |
| Lead Generation | Undisclosed | Parkinson's | Lead Generation |



PDE4 & KORA Speaker Bios



Phil Iredale, Ph.D.
Vice President, Head of Biology

- Joined Cerevel October 2018
- >20 years in various neuroscience roles at Pfizer
- Roles included Research Portfolio Lead for multiple CNS projects, head of Neurodegeneration group, head of External Opportunities Group
- Expertise in both psychiatry and neurodegenerative diseases



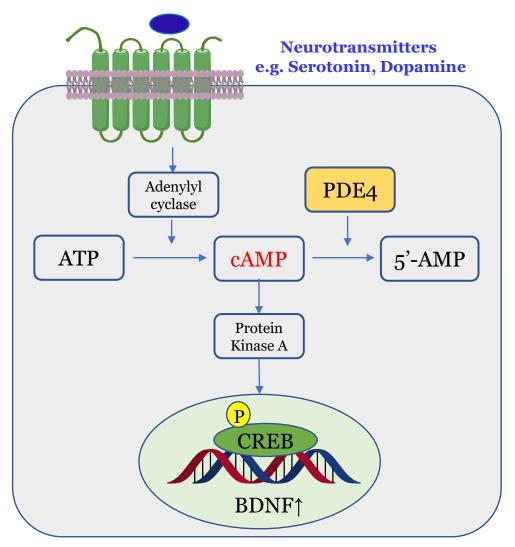
Georgette Suidan, Ph.D. Head, In Vivo Pharmacology KORA Scientific Lead

- Joined Cerevel in July 2019
- Prior experience at Biogen & Pfizer
- >10 years experience in psychiatric and neurological disorders
- Expertise in neurodegeneration and behavioral modeling of disease



Targeting selective PDE4 inhibition (PDE4D-sparing) for MDD, Schizophrenia and Inflammation in CNS

Targeting PDE4 inhibition for Major Depression, Schizophrenia and Inflammation in CNS



- Phosphodiesterases (PDEs) are a diverse family of enzymes that hydrolyze cyclic nucleotides and thus influence cell signaling
- PDE4 is made up of 4 closely related subtypes (A,B,C,D) all of which are expressed in the brain
- Clinical data from the non-selective PDE4 inhibitor, rolipram, suggests activity in major depression but with dose-limiting nausea and emesis
- PDE4D is believed to be the primary isozyme driving the emetic side-effect
- Cerevel is developing more selective inhibitors to improve the overall therapeutic potential of PDE4 inhibitors to treat CNS diseases
- We are planning to file an IND for one of our lead candidates in 2021



PDE4 is a Well-Established Target

Approved & Clinically Validated PDE4 Inhibitors

| Compound | Brand(s) | Approval | Indication(s) | Selectivity | Brain-Penetrant? |
|-------------|--|--------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Roflumilast | Daxas TM | 2011 | Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) | Non-selective PDE4 inhibitor | No, oral but brain-impaired |
| Apremilast | Otezla™ | 2014 | Psoriasis, psoriatic arthritis | Non-selective PDE4 inhibitor | No, oral but brain-impaired |
| Crisaborole | Eucrisa TM | 2016 | Atopic dermatitis | Non-selective PDE4 inhibitor | No, topical |
| Ibudilast | Eyevinal TM , Ketas TM , Pinatos TM | Only in Asia | Asthma, Cerebrovascular disorders, Allergic conjunctivitis, Headaches | Modestly PDE4D sparing | Yes |
| Rolipram | None | Not Approved | Literature standard brain penetrant PDE4 inhibitor | Non-selective PDE4 inhibitor | Yes |

- There are several PDE4 inhibitors approved on the market
- PDE4 inhibitors have proven effective in inflammatory conditions including **arthritis**, **atopic dermatitis**, **asthma** and COPD
- Lack of PDE4 isoform selectivity has impaired development for CNS indications due to the occurrence of dose-limiting side-effects



Subtype Selective PDE4 Inhibitors: Broad CNS Therapeutic Potential with Reduced Side Effects

Avoiding PDE4D should improve side-effect profile

PDE Isozyme

| Associated Effect/Side-Effect | A | В | C | D |
|-------------------------------|---|------------|---|------------|
| Antidepressant | ✓ | ✓ | ? | ✓ |
| Antipsychotic | ✓ | ✓ | ? | ✓ |
| Anti-inflammatory | | √ √ | ? | |
| Pro-cognitive | | ✓ | ? | √ √ |
| Nausea/Vomiting | | | ? | √ √ |

- Rolipram targets all PDE4 subtypes
- Nausea, vomiting and other GI side effects are believed to be driven by PDE4D inhibition
- CVL-047, one of our program lead candidates, is brain-penetrant and selectively targets PDE4A, B and C subtypes (avoiding PDE4D)

Rolipram doselimiting side effects



To our knowledge, there are no other brain-penetrant PDE4D-sparing inhibitor programs in development for schizophrenia, depression or neuroinflammatory conditions



Rolipram Clinical Data: Observed Activity in Major Depression

- Rolipram demonstrated anti-depressant activity in several small trials (total 200+ patients)
- Comparable effect observed to tricyclic antidepressants (TCAs), desipramine and imipramine
- Rolipram produced fewer adverse effects attributable to cholinergic blockade than the tricyclics but more nausea
- Further clinical development was limited by its tolerability (hypothesized to be PDE4D activity)
- Current Cerevel PDE4 inhibitors are more selective than Rolipram

Double-Blind Comparative Study with Rolipram (N=32)

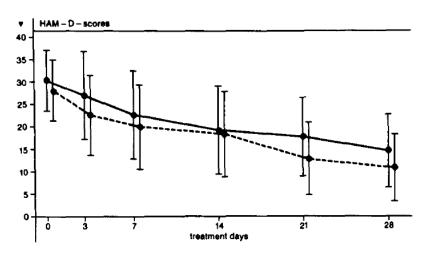


Fig. 1 Mean HAM-D-scores over time with respect to rolipram (0.75 mg t.l.d.) and imipramine (50 mg t.l.d) treatment.

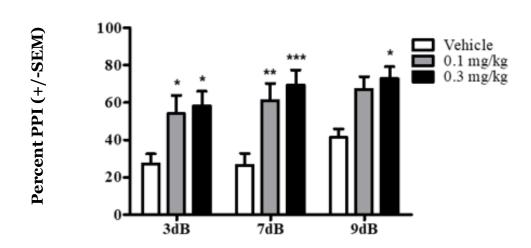
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- --- imipramine (50 mg t.i.d.)
- rolipram (0.75 mg t.i.d.)

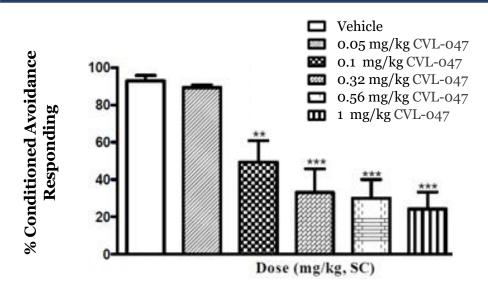


A Cerevel Lead PDE4 Inhibitor also Demonstrated Potential in Treating Schizophrenia

CVL-047 in Pre-Pulse Inhibition model



CVL-047 in Conditioned Avoidance Responding model



*p<0.05; **p<0.01; ***p<0.001 vs vehicle



CVL-047 showed robust activity in animal models predictive of an antipsychotic effect



PDE4 Subtype Selective Program: Potential In Numerous Indications

Potential to Develop in Multiple Indications

- PDE4 subtype selective inhibitors may enable us to achieve therapeutic benefits while minimizing side effects
- Has potential in depression, schizophrenia and neuroinflammatory conditions

| | Depression | >260M Patients ¹ |
|------------------|---|---|
| • | Schizophrenia | ~22M Patients |
| \triangleright | Neuroinflammation in Alzheimer's Disease | >30M Patients ² |
| | Juvenile Batten's | 2-4 of 100,000 Births ³ |

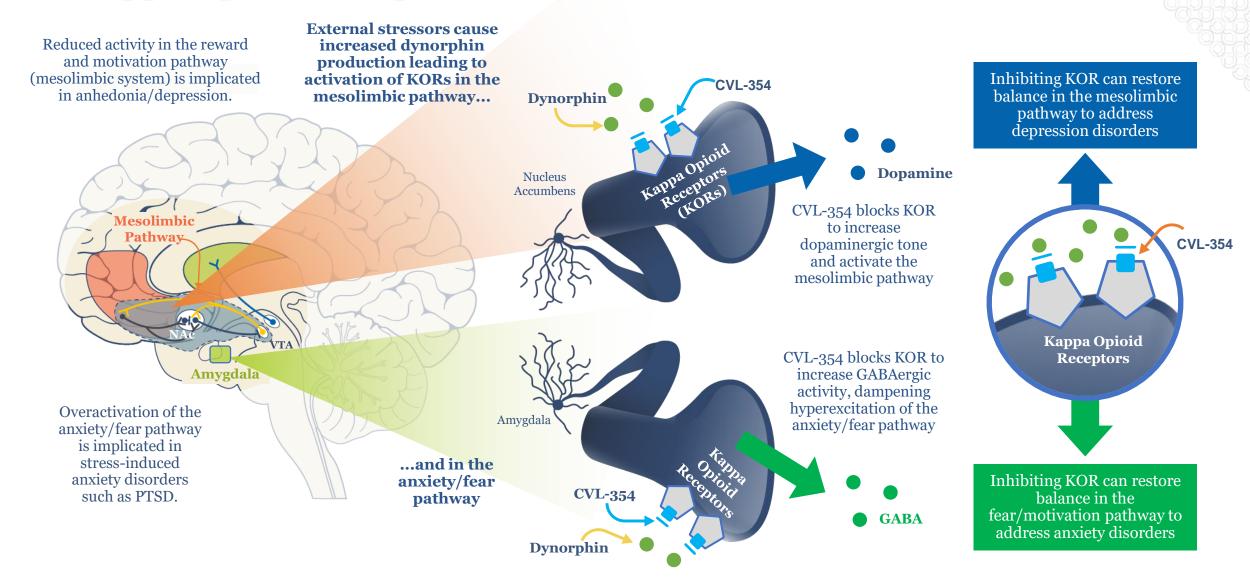


We expect to file an IND for the PDE4D-sparing inhibitor program in the second half of 2021.





Kappa Opioid Receptor Antagonism (KORA) for Psychiatric Diseases





Kappa Opioid Receptor Antagonism Showed Activity in Preclinical Models of Addiction and Psychiatric Disorders

Increased motivation

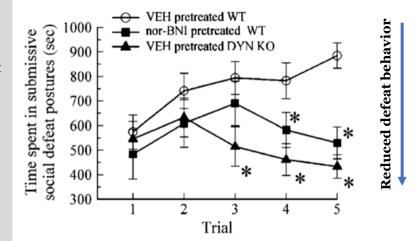
Progressive ratio (Anhedonia)

Pfizer internal

Spiradoline (3.2 mg/kg) ED₅₀ 0.09 mg/kg (~2 nM) ++ ++ ++ 2 0 0 0.01 0.032 CVL-354 (mg/kg)

Social defeat stress

(hypothesized to reflect aspects of PTSD)

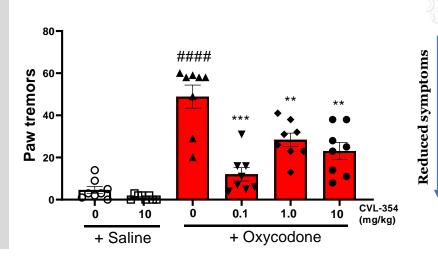


Social defeat stress: *p<0.05; Progressive ratio: *p<0.05, **p<0.01 vs vehicle; ++p<0.01 vs spiradoline

Opioid withdrawal syndrome

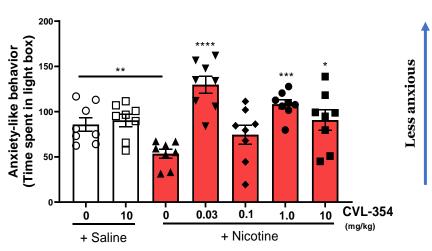
(Somatic signs of acute oxycodone withdrawal)

Data generated in collaboration with the National Institute on Drug Abuse



Withdrawalinduced anxiety

Data generated in collaboration with the National Institute on Drug Abuse



Opioid withdrawal & anxiety models: #### p<0.0001 vs. saline; ****p<0.0001; *** p<0.001; **p<0.01; *p<0.05



McLaughlin et al 2006

Positive Proof-of-Mechanism Clinical Study Utilizing JNJ-964

"Fast-fail" trial: Ph 2a double-blind, parallel group, placebo-controlled POM. 8 weeks.

Patient group

Individuals with anhedonia and a mood or anxiety disorder

Dosing and Receptor Occupancy

10 mg QD >90% peak at Kappa (reported) / ~35% at Mu (projected)

Primary endpoints

Mean fMRI readout in anticipation of reward

Secondary

SHAPS, PRT

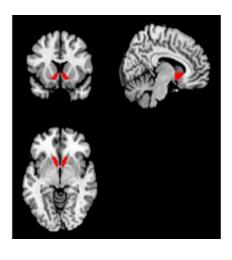
Preclinical data informed on the study design

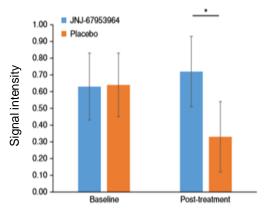
KOR activation — Dopamine release in Nucleus Accumbens — Negative Mood state

Reward-related BOLD fMRI activation in ventral striatum

Carlezon et al. 2006; Knutson & Gibbs 2007; Schott et al. 2008

MRI





Krystal et al 2020, Nat Med

JNJ-964 (Aticaprant) Phase 2a MDD + SSRI. Completed: 5/2020¹. Data not yet disclosed.

BTRX-140 Phase 2a in MDD enriched for anxiety and anhedonia. Estimated completion date: 12/2020¹. Data not yet disclosed.

Subutex/vivitrol Phase 2 in PTSD + AUD. Estimated completion date: 9/2021¹.



CVL-354: Cerevel's KOR-selective Antagonist

Excellent Pharmacological Properties

- 30x selectivity for human Kappa Opioid Receptor (KOR) over human Mu Opioid Receptor (MOR).
- Selective and potent <u>antagonist</u> at KOR and has <u>no agonist</u> activity at KOR or MOR.
- Preclinical safety package supports dosing up to 90 days in humans. 20x margins over predicted efficacious exposures.
- Preclinical activity in models of anhedonia, withdrawal-induced anxiety and physical signs of opioid withdrawal.

Potential to Develop in Multiple Indications

- Major Depressive >260M Patients (WW)
- > Anxiety Disorders > 280M Patients (WW)
- Substance Use ~20M Patients (US)¹



We expect to file an IND for CVL-354 in the first half of 2021

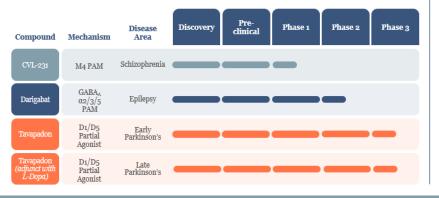


Cerevel is Transforming Possibilities for Tomorrow

Multiple Programs Aimed at Providing New Options for Millions of Patients

Tangible near-term value creation

- Schizophrenia
- **Epilepsy**
- Parkinson's



Expansion to other diseases

- Alzheimer's Psychosis
- Anxiety
- **Apathy**
- Substance Abuse Disorder



Long-term discovery efforts

Disease-modifying therapies based on human genetics and novel targets addressing:

- Neuronal loss
- Synaptic health







Questions & Answers



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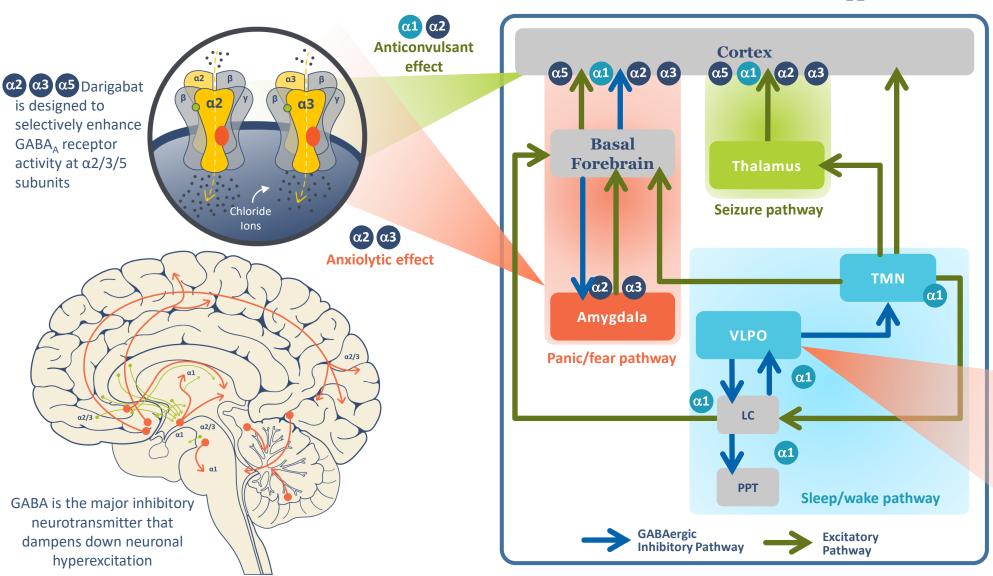


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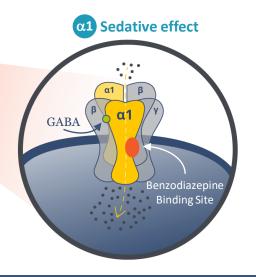
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Darigabat Mechanism: Selective α2/3/5 GABA_A Receptor PAM

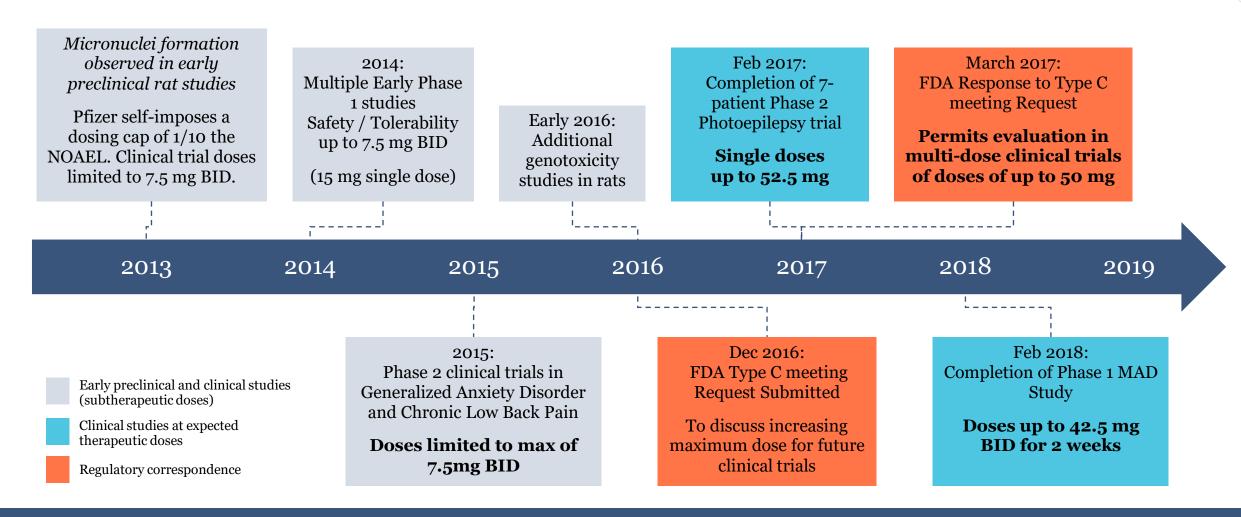


- Benzodiazepines *non-selectively* enhance $GABA_A$ receptor activity, which can cause side effects primarily driven by $\alpha 1$ subunit activation
- Sedation
- Cognitive impairment
- Addiction



History of Darigabat Development

Results of early clinical trials were believed to be limited by Pfizer's self-imposed dosing cap



Darigabat Favorable Side Effect & Tolerability Profile Across Completed Trials

Darigabat has been tested in 289 subjects in 9 completed trials and was generally well-tolerated. There have been no clinically significant side effect observations from physical examination, vital sign measurements, laboratory safety assessments, or ECG parameters and no reports of sedation across single and multiple dose trials

I. Across Phase 1 trials:

- 81 healthy subjects received single doses of darigabat (0.04 to 100 mg); 55 healthy subjects received multiple doses of CVL-865 (2.5 to 42.5 mg BID)
- · Most common AEs: dizziness, somnolence, and fatigue. All AEs across trials have been mild or moderate in severity
- No drug-related SAEs in Phase 1 trials
- Titration in multiple dose healthy volunteer studies appeared to reduce the incidence of somnolence and dizziness

II. Across Phase 2 trials:

- 146 subjects received multiple doses of darigabat (2.5 to 7.5 mg BID); 7 subjects with documented photosensitive epilepsy received single doses of 17.5 mg and 52.5 mg in a crossover trial
- Most common AEs: dizziness and somnolence; the majority of AEs were mild or moderate
- In Study B7431007, there was limited increase in sleepiness as measured by the Epworth Sleepiness Score with either darigabat 7.5 mg, darigabat 2.5 mg or placebo at Week 2 and Week 4
- In Study B7431006, one patient experienced an SAE (transient ischemic attack) that was considered related to darigabat by the investigator. The patient had a history of high cholesterol levels and high blood pressure and was diagnosed with diabetes mellitus after the onset of TIA
- · Use of titration in multi-dose Phase 2 trials appeared to mitigate CNS effects, including somnolence, over time

III. Other considerations:

- No evidence to date of withdrawal effects
- GABAergic pharmacology observed in clinical trials up to 4-weeks administration
- No evidence of the bone marrow effects seen in preclinical studies
- Reproductive effects are being addressed for all trials with requirements for contraception and standard warnings

