

# Lunch



The meeting will resume at 1:35 pm ET



# Collecting Fit for Purpose Data to Inform Regulatory Decision Making

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# Practical Considerations

- Non-interventional/observational studies or registries to understand the clinical course of a rare disease
- Capture of real world data longitudinally with an intended regulatory use
- Data sharing considerations
- Examples (trial simulation, disease staging)



# Fit for Use Data Considerations

## Reliable

*Represents the intended underlying medical concepts and thus are considered trustworthy and credible*

## Relevant

*Represents the population of interest and can answer the research question in the clinical context of interest*

# First Step-Preparation Work

- Begin with the end in mind
- Gather input and landscape what has been done
  - Get input from persons with lived experience, clinicians
  - Literature review
  - Define the unmet need, avoid duplication
- How are you going to collect the data and from whom?
- Refine data collection strategy to sufficiently address your questions but not overly burdensome
- Use global unique identifiers to account for participation in multiple research efforts

# Protocol Elements

Population*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inclusion/exclusion criteria</li><li>• Demographics</li><li>• Concurrent treatments</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Consider all comers vs subpopulations</li><li>• Presymptomatic vs symptomatic</li></ul>
Disease-related*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Signs and symptoms and severity</li><li>• Age at onset/diagnosis</li><li>• Family history</li><li>• Genotype</li><li>• Biomarkers</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identify areas of interest in multiorgan impacted disease (brain vs liver?)</li></ul>
Outcome assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Clinician/observer reported outcomes</li><li>• Patient reported outcomes</li><li>• Measurement scales</li><li>• Assessments/tests (MRI, FVC, labs)</li><li>• Interviews/free text diaries</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Exploratory, clinical vs regulatory grade</li><li>• Qualitative</li><li>• Describe measurement methods and how the test was performed</li></ul>

\* Variables that could be covariates or be used to enrich the study population or usefully for matching criteria (external controls)

# Protocol Elements

## General methods

- Who/where/how/data collected?
- Duration of study overall and for the subject
- Schedule of events
- Number of sites
- Total N
- Clear, standards, definitions and measurement methods
- Consider forms with structured data elements

## Analysis Plan

- Statistical methods will be based upon your questions
- Inter/intra-rater reliability for assessments
- Plan for analyzing with missing data or subjects lost to follow up
- Consider sources of bias
- Interim analysis plans may help identify high sources of variability
- Are raw measurements being collected vs algorithm derived data?

## Quality

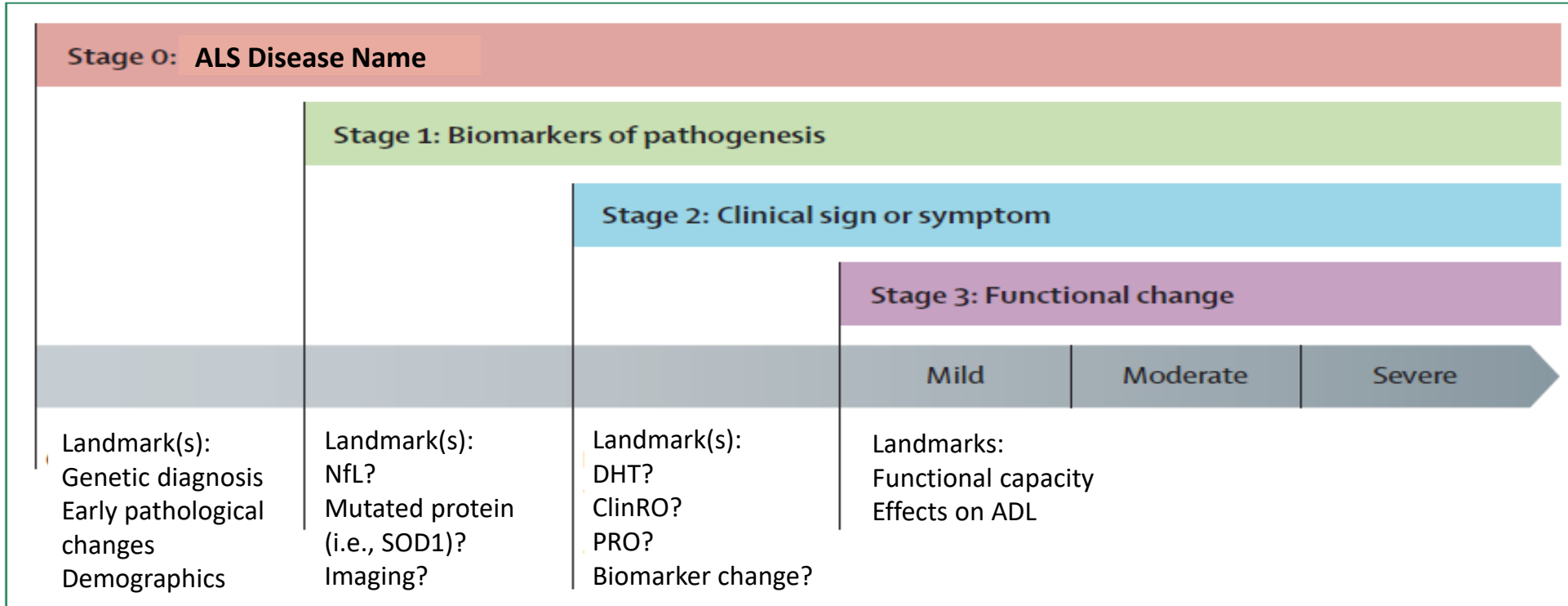
- Audit plan and documentation/trail
- Quality checks and correction
- Data access and reproducibility
- Amendments-continued relevance and updates
- Documentation of amendments and justification
- Can the data be readily reproduced?
- Includes security
- Protections



# Clinical Outcome Assessments

- Priorities in natural history studies should consider those that have been associated with measuring clinical benefit (improvement in how a patient feels, functions or survives)
- Should be meaningful to the patient
- Example: May not provide a clinically meaningful information
  - Clinician reporting exam changes of decreased vibratory sense
  - Changes may suggest a change in the disease status but do not reflect any impact on patient symptoms or daily functioning
- Example: Does provide clinically meaningful information
  - Numbness in hands that interferes with the ability to button clothes
  - Weakness in hands that interferes with ability to hold spoon and eat
- Make sure that the COA has support for its use in your rare disease population (unless that's planned)
- Methods to collect and assure reproducibility should be described

# Framework for Biology-Driven Disease Staging



Each data field should have descriptions and information (meta data) about how and when it is collected.

Abbreviations:  
NfL = neurofilament light chain  
DHT = digital health technology  
ClinRO = clinician reported outcome  
PRO = patient reported outcome  
ADL = activities of daily living

# Clinical Trial Simulation Tool

Trial design parameters:

- Study duration
- Assessment frequency

Baseline Patient features:

- FVC
- Age
- Race
- del 3-7/skip-44 mutation

Assumed drug effects:

- % changes to model parameters to mimic drug effects
- Adjustable times to effect

DMD Clinical Trial Simulator - Version 1.0  
Simulate clinical trials on patients with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

Individual subject Multiple subjects

**Clinical Trial Design**

Total Number of Subjects: 100

Duration of Subjects Follow-up (Years): 10

Assessment Interval (Months): 6

**Patient Characteristics**

Baseline Score Interval: 0-6

Baseline Age Interval (Years): 5-20

% of Asian in the population: 0-100

% of patients with mutation del 3-7/skip-44: 0-100

**Assumed Drug Effects**

% Increase in G<sub>max</sub>: 0-100 | Estimated 50% Effect time (months): 6

% Increase in G: 0-100 | 50% Effect time (months): 6

% Decrease in DP<sub>max</sub>: 0-100 | 50% Effect time (months): 6

% Increase in DP<sub>50</sub>: 0-100 | 50% Effect time (months): 6

Number of Simulations: 100

Simulate

**Forced Vital Capacity (FVC)**

Select X-axis: Trial time

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Developed by Karthik Lingineni, Juan Francisco Morales & Sarah Kim on behalf of the C-Path's D-RSC. E-mail sarahkim@cop.ufl.edu with questions or comments.

Plotting window by user chosen time metric:

- Plots by age groups
- Plots by time in study
- Provides mouse-over quantitative values

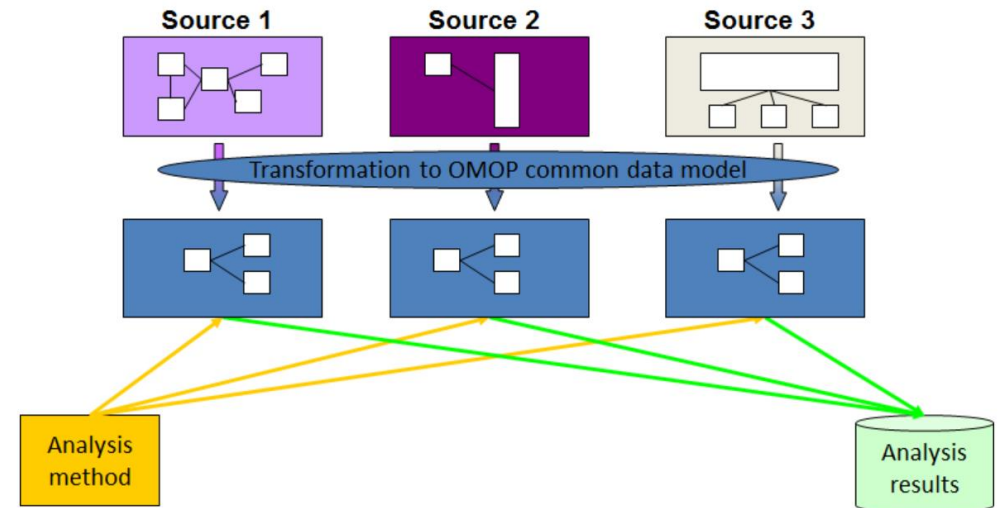
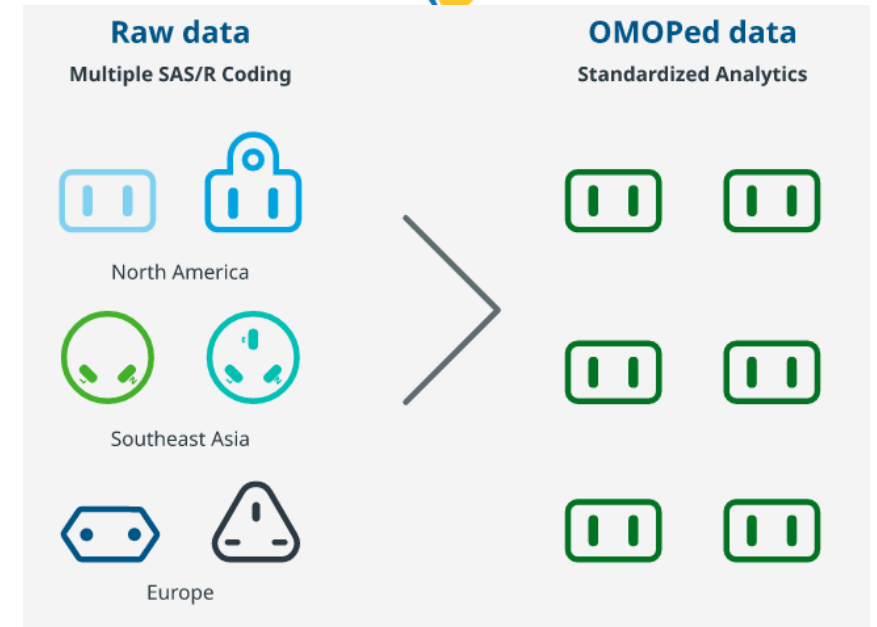
Number of trials to simulate

Simulation output export feature:

- Export virtual patient data
- Export plots
- Export power estimates

# Data Standard Considerations

- Data dictionary (meta data) describing database/tables, variable definitions and standards should be outlined prior to collection of data is essential
- Data can be further standardized to a common data model to depending on the intended audience and use case
- Common data models (including terms, format and vocabularies) allow for data from different sources to be combined more reproducibly
  - SDTM-CDISC
  - OMOP





# Sharing of Data IRB-Considerations “Anonymized” vs. “De-identified” Data


- **Anonymized:** Identifiers are removed from patient data, and *no code exists* to link patient identifiers to patient data
- **De-identified:** Direct identifiers are removed from patient data, but *a link exists* between coded data and identifiers
  - Coded link not shared: *Individuals associated with the creation of the data maintain a link, but the link is not shared with investigators using the data for research.*
  - Coded link shared: The link is shared with investigators using the Study/Registry data for research.

# Example Consent Form Language for Data Sharing

- *“To ensure that your information collected for this Natural History/Registry will be kept private, your name or other information that could be used to identify you will not be used whenever possible. A code will be used to identify your information, and the key linking the code to information that could be used to identify you will not be shared, except with others as needed to manage the Registry.”*
- *“Identifiers will be removed from your identifiable private information or identifiable biospecimens collected for this Study/Registry and then your information/biospecimens will be used for future research studies or distributed to other investigators for future research studies without additional informed consent.”*

# THANK YOU!

Questions?



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# Case Example:

## Nulibry for molybdenum cofactor deficiency

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# Collecting Fit-for-Purpose Data to support Regulatory Decision Making

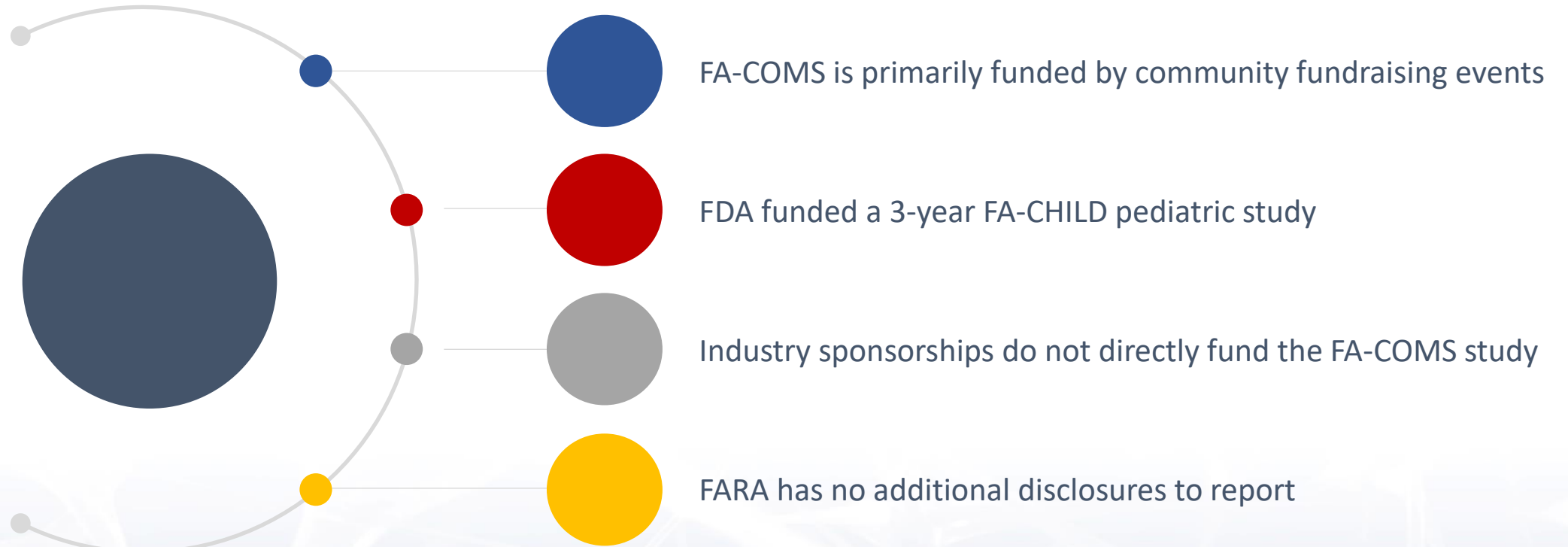
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Reagan Udall, May 2024

Jen Farmer, CEO, Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance (FARA)

# Disclosures

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# FARA's Natural History study began 20+ years ago

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2003

FARA launched  
Clinical Outcome  
Assessments study.

2012

Met with FDA to  
validate endpoints.

2021

FARA's Natural History  
study provided  
confirmatory evidence  
through a propensity-  
matched study.

**Led to first approval for  
Friedreich's ataxia.**

**FARA**

Friedreich's  
Ataxia  
Research  
Alliance

# How FA-COMS began:



COAs for FA



2003: Co-funded grant

- *Original to FA*  
FARS, ADL, staging scale
- *Borrowed measures from MS*  
9HPT, T25FW, PATA, Low Contrast Letter Acuity, MSQLI



Natural History Visits Begin

2006 : FARA commits to funding the natural history study and network

**NOTE: Not designed to be a control arm for trials**



## Systemic Data Collection

Understand natural history of FA through systemic collection of clinical data



## Disease Measures

Develop outcome measures and inform clinical trial design



## Clinical Network

Create a network of clinical research centers in FA that will provide quantitative clinical data on patients.

# FA-COMS Study Design

## Inclusion

Genetically confirmed FA  
All ages and stages  
Representative population



## Prospective, Longitudinal

Intentionally forward-looking  
Long-term commitment  
commensurate with the rate of  
disease progression



## Annual Visits

Nearly all in-person visits (except  
some from 2020-2022 due to  
COVID)



## Consistency

Treated it as a non-interventional trial  
– same protocol, visit schedules,  
sops/standardized procedures, data  
collection across all sites





# Quality of the Data



NINDS

Common  
data  
elements



# Peer-reviewed publications share longitudinal data with the FA research community

> J Neuroophthalmol. 2020 Jun;40(2):213-217. doi: 10.1097/WNO.0000000000000878.

## Correlation of Visual Quality of Life With Clinical and Visual Status in Friedreich Ataxia

Parisa Afsharian<sup>1</sup>, Rachel Nolan-Kenney, Abigail E Lynch, Laura J Balcer, David R Lynch

Multicenter Study > Diabetes Res Clin Pract. 2022 Apr;186:109828.

doi: 10.1016/j.diabres.2022.109828. Epub 2022 Mar 14.

## Friedreich's Ataxia related Diabetes: Epidemiology and management practices

Jaclyn Tamaroff<sup>1</sup>, Anna DeDi...  
Karla Leavens<sup>4</sup>, Christian Rum...

Observational Study > Ann Clin Transl Neurol. 2021 Ju...

doi: 10.1002/acn3.51352. Epub 2021 May 5.

## Scoliosis in Friedreich's ataxia: characterization in a large heter...

Christian Rummey<sup>1</sup>, John M Flynn<sup>2</sup>, L...  
George Wilmot<sup>5</sup>, Sub H Subramony<sup>6</sup>

> Ann Clin Transl Neurol. 2020 Sep;7(9):1708-1712. doi: 10.1002/acn3.51118. Epub 2020 Aug 11.

## Test-retest reliability of the F rating scale

> Neurol Genet. 2019 Oct 29;5(6):371. doi: 10.1212/NXG.0000000000000371.  
eCollection 2019 Dec.

## Psychometric properties of the Friedreich A Rating Scale

Christian Rummey<sup>1</sup>, Louise A Corben<sup>1</sup>, Martin B Delatycki<sup>1</sup>, S H Subramony<sup>1</sup>,  
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Katherine D Mathews<sup>1</sup>, George Wilmot<sup>1</sup>, Theresa Zesiewicz<sup>1</sup>, Susan Perlman<sup>1</sup>,  
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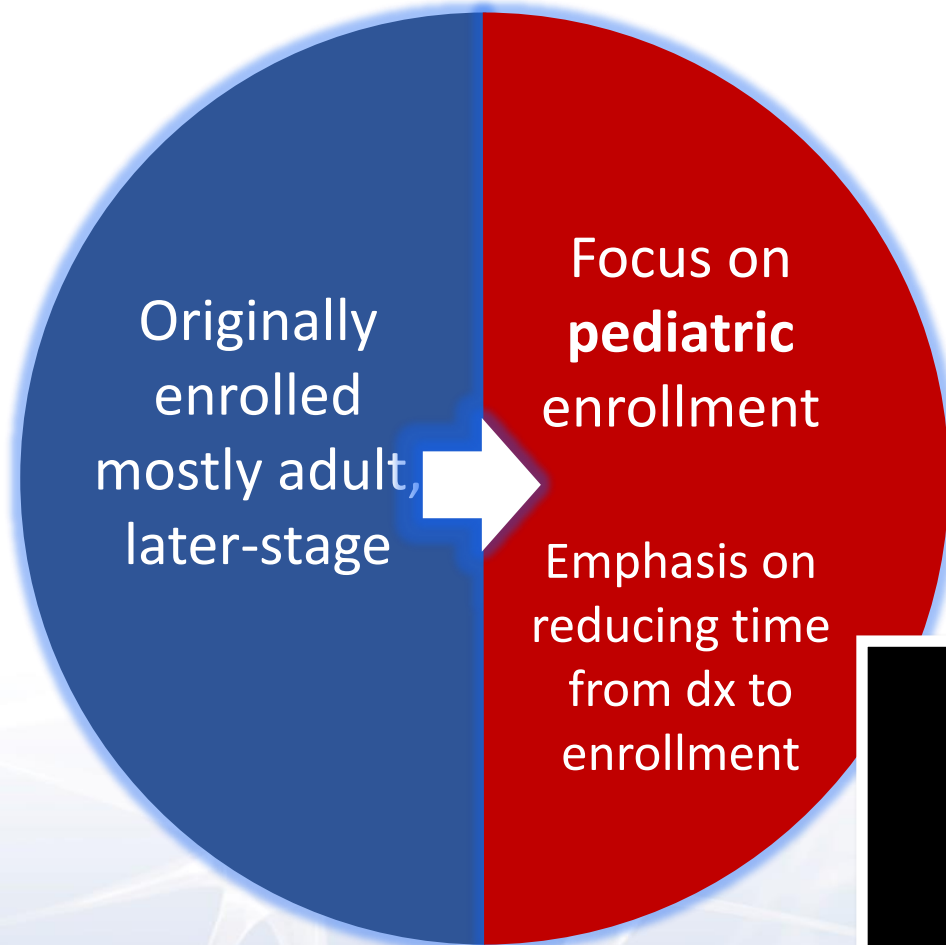
> EclinicalMedicine. 2020 Jan 8;18:100213. doi: 10.1016/j.eclinm.2019.1...  
eCollection 2020 Jan.

## Predictors of loss of ambulation in Fried...

Christian Rummey<sup>1</sup>, Jennifer M Farmer<sup>2</sup>, David R Lynch<sup>3</sup>

>30 articles  
published  
based on the  
study's data

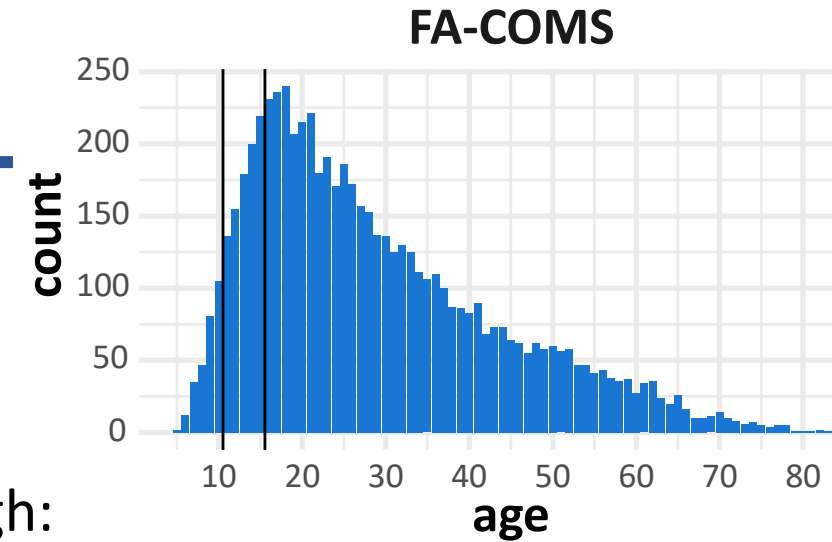
# Data Evolution : Population



Achieved this shift through:

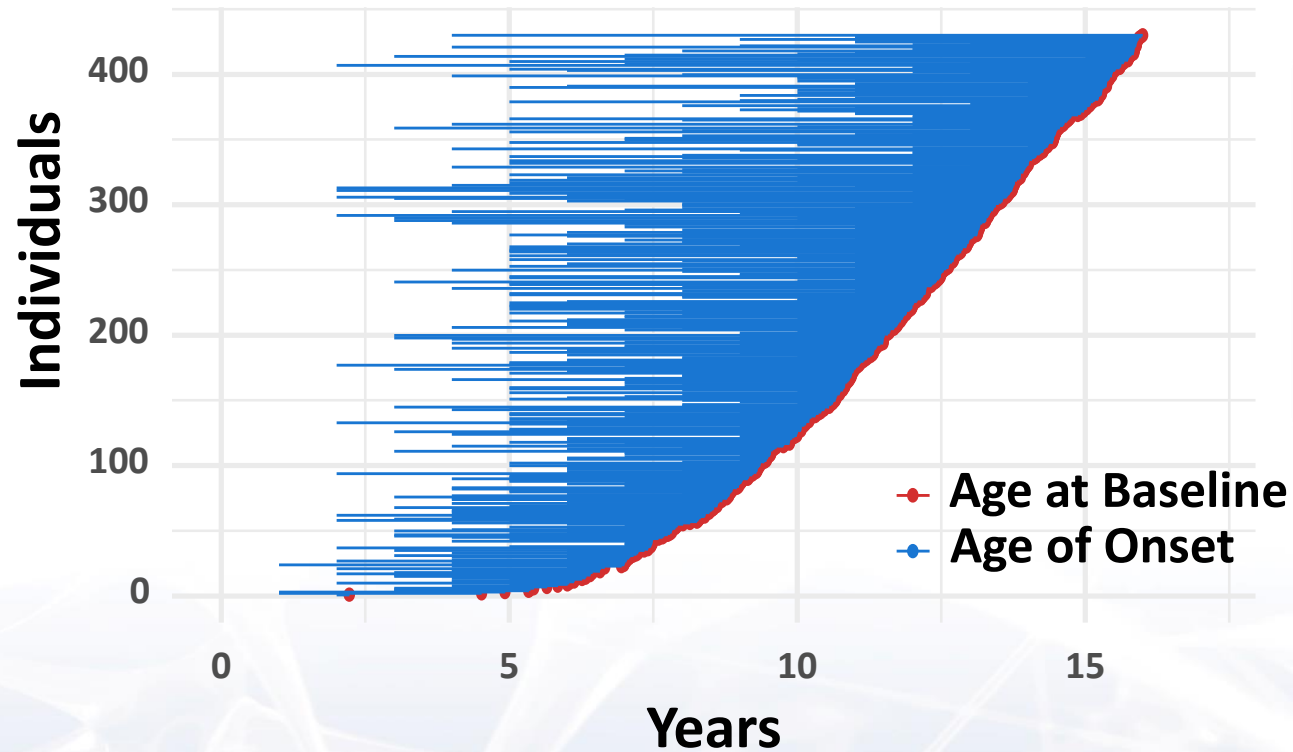
- Patient community outreach and education
- Added sites with pediatric neurologist PIs
- Additional funding – FDA/NIH grant

**Goal:**  
An enrolled population representative of FA across all stages, genotypes and phenotypes



# Data Evolution : Assessments

Uncaptured Data from Age of Onset  
until Enrollment in FA-COMS



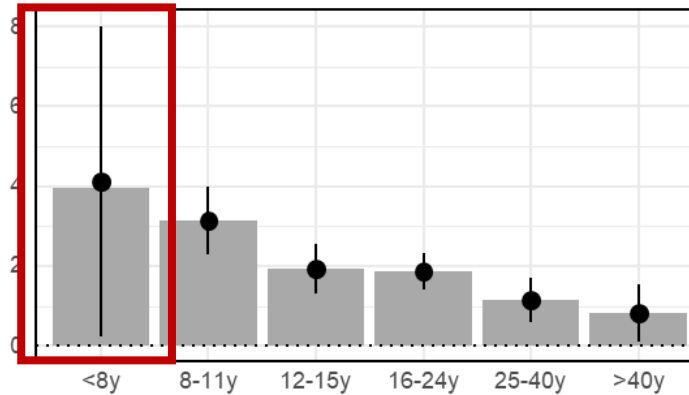
**FA primarily begins  
in childhood**

**Goal: Capture data  
beginning at  
symptom onset**

# Data Evolution : Reducing variability and increasing consistency with our youngest children

Mean Annual Changes (grey bars),  
Estimated Changes (95%CI, point ranges)

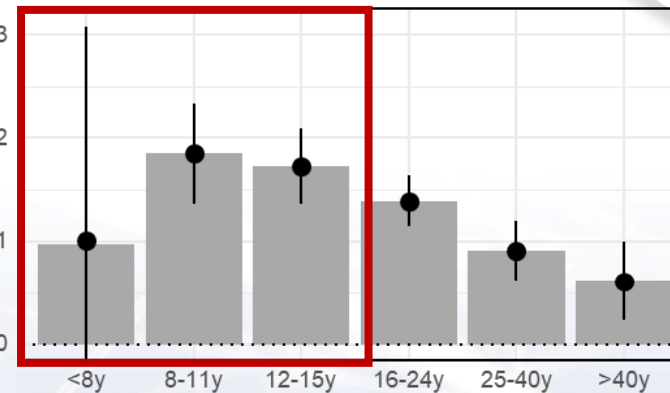
mFARS



Upper Limb Function (FARS B)



Upright Stability (FARS E)



- Variability in mFARS <8 yo
  - Working on more reliable measurements
- Change in Upright Stability reveals milestones gained from birth to 11yo and the tragedy of losing function after 11yo.

Rummev C, et al, Neurology 2022;99:e1499-e1510.

# Consistency and Comparability

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## Duration

Study initiated in 2003 and still ongoing today with strong participant retention



## Investigators

Same sites/investigators are conducting both the history study and clinical trials



## Assessments

The natural history study uses the same assessments as clinical trials



## Contemporary Data

Collection of the natural history dataset is contemporary to clinical trials

Collecting Fit-for-Purpose Data  
**to support**  
**Regulatory Decision Making**



# Regulatory Engagement



2013: Clinical conference with FDA and EMA

- Presented first 10 years of data
- Informal feedback
- Beginning of evolution from FARS to mFARS



- Confidential meetings
- FARA attends as a guest of our industry partner
- Opportunity to discuss how natural history data informs trial design and endpoints



- Began in 2017
- FA-ICD (Integrated Collaborative Database)
  - Includes FA-COMS & trial data
  - Available to industry sponsors, FDA, and RDCA-DAP
  - Data in CDISC STDM standard



- Helped FDA and industry partners understand the lived experience of FA
- Communicated outcomes that are valued by the community

# The Path to the First Approval for Friedreich's Ataxia

2009

Nrf2 target first reported by research group in France



2013

California research group links Nrf2 to pathophysiology in FA Mice

**FARA** Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance

seeks out Reata: a company with a drug targeting the pathway

2015

First clinical trial launched.  
Trial conducted at FARA's Natural History study sites, by Natural History study investigators.



2017

Second clinical trial launched.  
Natural history data informed trial design & endpt selection.



2020

Multiple meetings with FDA



2021

**FARA** Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance coordinates a petition to Reata and the FDA  
74,000+ signatures collected!



2021

**FARA** Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance Natural History study provides confirmatory evidence through a propensity-matched study.

2023

**FDA approves first-ever treatment for Friedreich's ataxia: SKYCLARYS™**



2022

Reata initiates rolling submission of NDA for omaveloxolone



**FARA**

Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance

# Use of Natural History in Skyclarys Approval

## Propensity-Matched Analysis Comparable Baseline Characteristics

Demographics and baseline characteristics balanced between the two groups

Median treatment/follow-up duration of approximately 3 years

Demographics and Baseline Characteristics for Primary Pooled Population

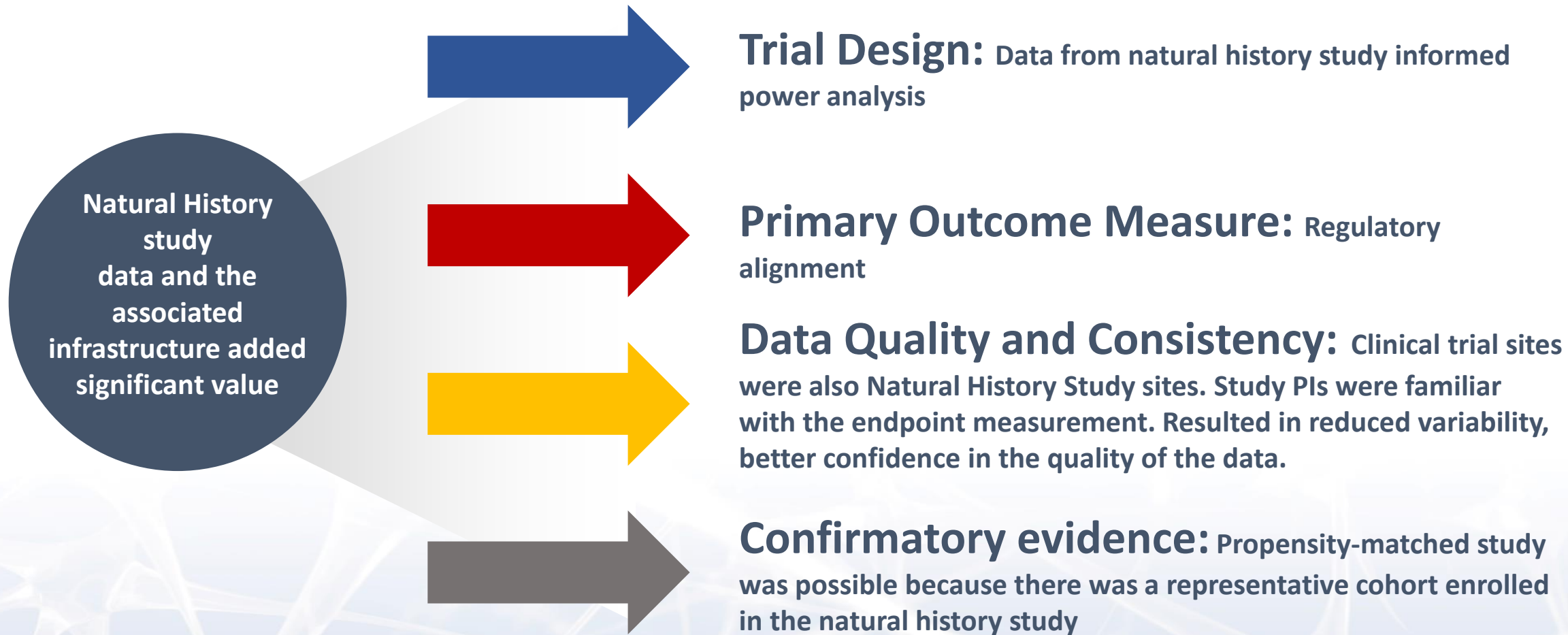
Characteristic	Statistic	Matched FA-COMS (n=136)	MOXIe Extension (n=136)
Age (years)	Mean (SD)	26.2 (13.72)	26.6 (7.26)
Age at FA Onset	Mean (SD)	15.2 (10.48)	15.5 (5.30)
Sex, Female	N (%)	70 (51.5%)	70 (51.5%)
mFARS	Mean (SD)	41.0 (16.10)	42.2 (12.60)
Gait	Mean (SD)	2.7 (1.69)	2.8 (1.36)

**This analysis served  
as one piece of  
confirmatory  
evidence for the  
NDA submission**

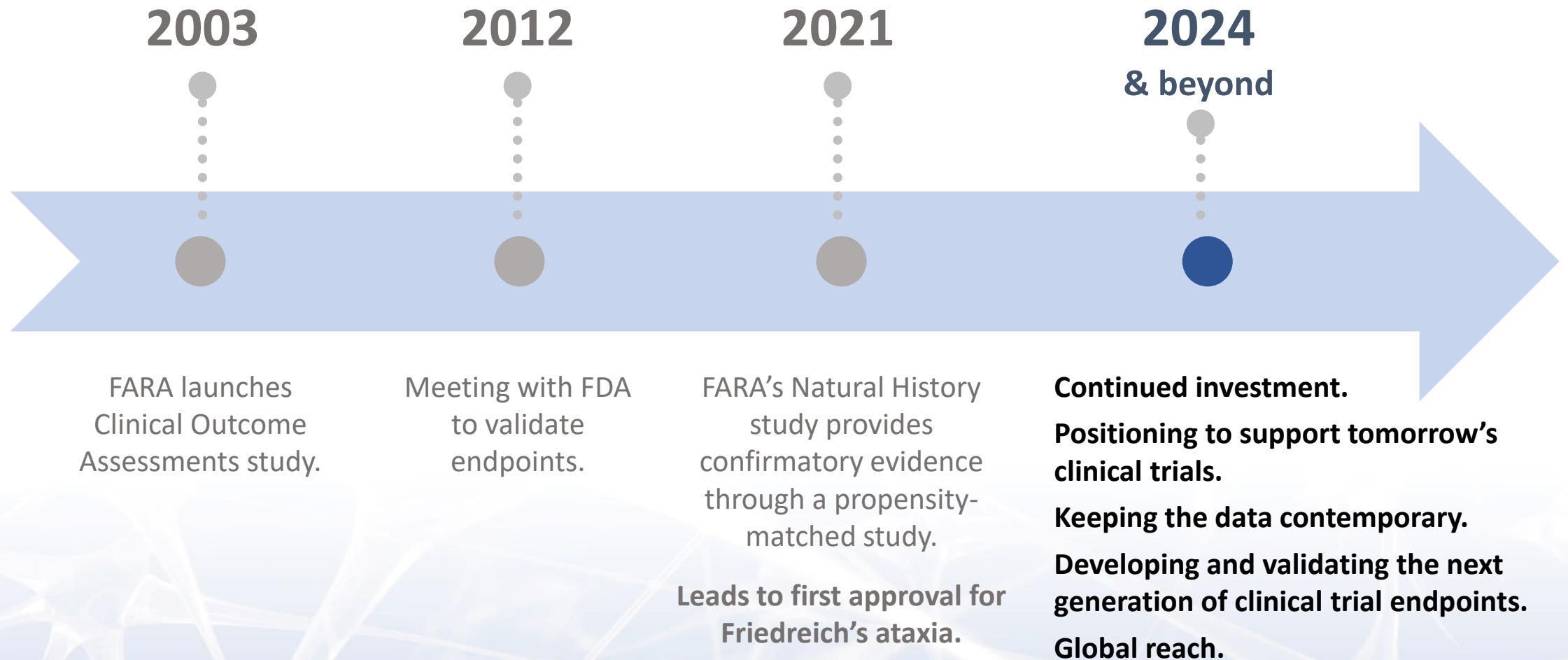


# FARA's Natural History Study played a pivotal role in the path to the first approval

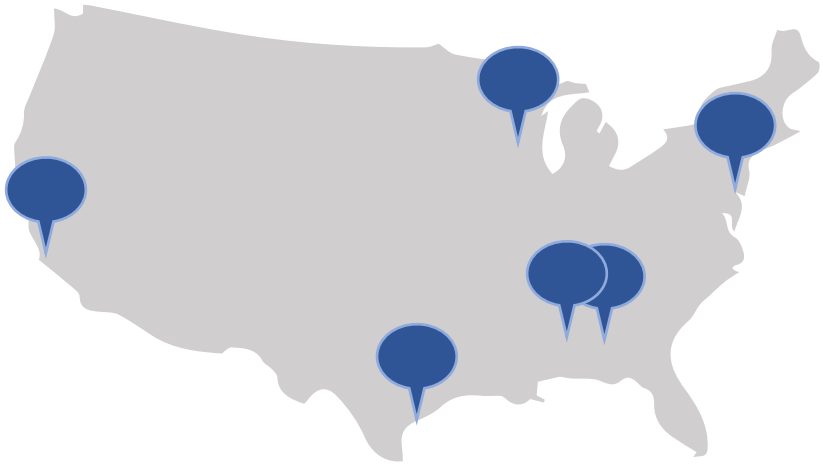
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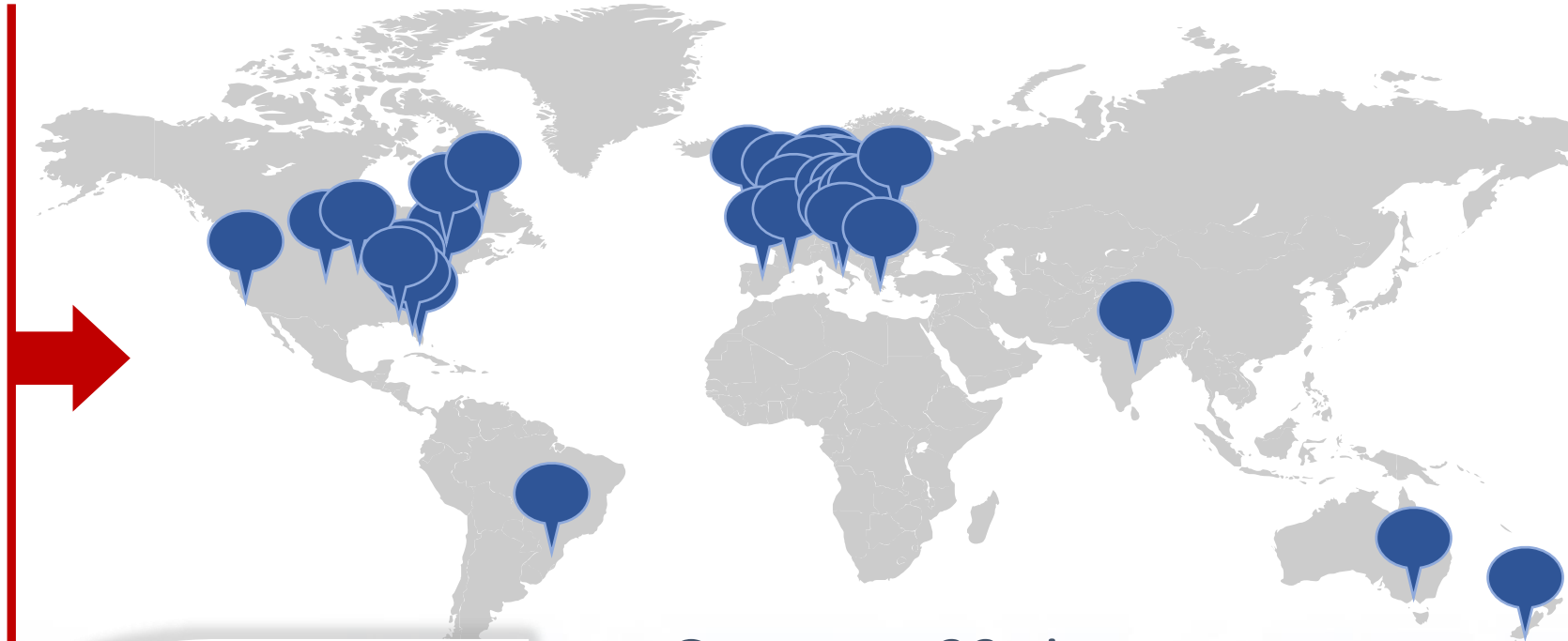
# FARA's Natural History study began 20+ years ago



# Expanding Global Reach



Started with 6 sites  
across the USA

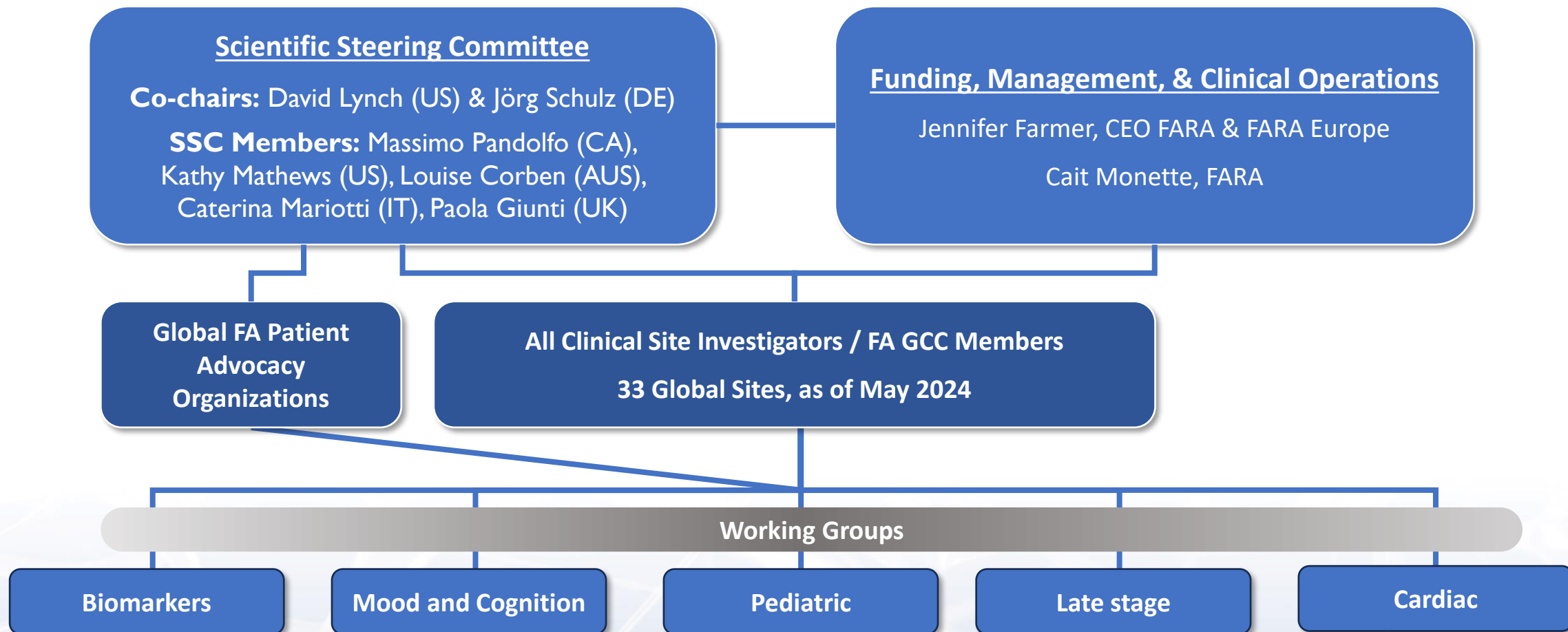


Grown to 33 sites  
across 5 continents

## Focused on:



- Adding sites
- Funding for travel
- Enrolling subjects in multiple studies at the same visits

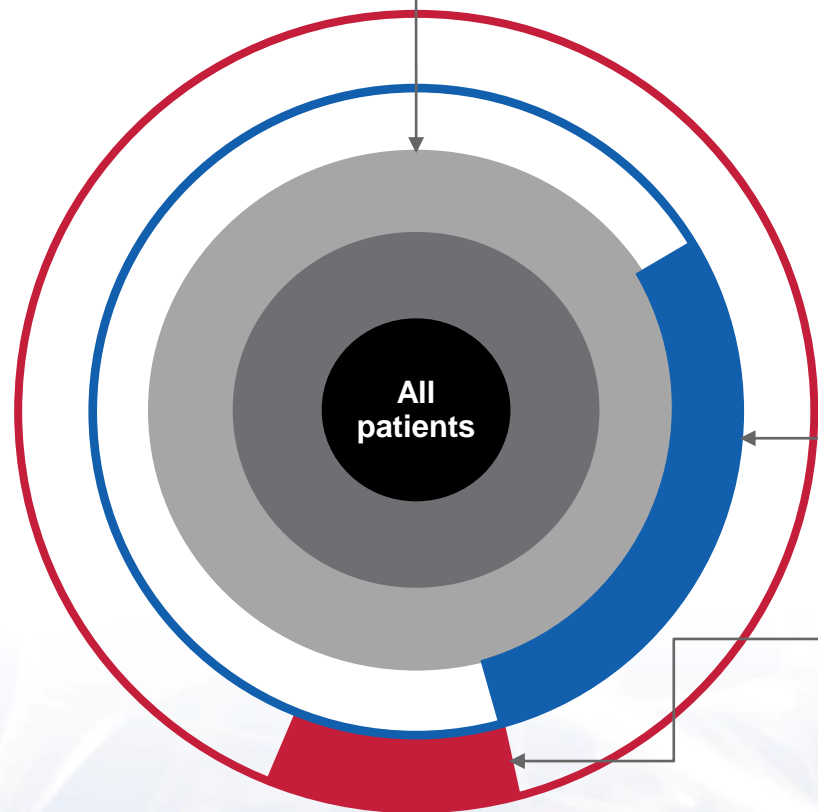






**UNIFAI Study**  
Natural History Enrollments

-  Core data elements
-  Supplemental tests and surveys



**Other FA trials**  
(Industry and Academic Partnerships)

**Other non-interventional studies**  
(e.g. Biomarker or Pediatric substudies)

# Growing Investment

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**2006**

\$175,000

150 subjects

6 sites



**2019**

\$1,000,000

>1,000 subjects

14 sites



**2024 and beyond**

\$2,000,000

>3,000 subjects

33 sites

# Looking ahead: Expanding and Improving

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**Younger  
Children**

Capture data that describes the earliest onset of disease  
Refine outcome measures for young children



**Late-stage  
Adults**

Data collection in late stages of disease, despite the challenges of travel  
Study population should be contemporary with the population



**Better  
therapeutic  
research**

Longitudinal data answers basic questions and prompts a new round of deeper inquiries

# Thank You!



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# Case Example: Nulibry for molybdenum cofactor deficiency

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# Leveraging Natural History Data for Rare Disease Drug Development and Approval: Demonstrated Increased Survival in MoCD Type A Patients Treated With Fosdenopterin

## Ronen Spiegel, MD

Clinical Associate Professor, Director of Pediatric B Department,  
and Head of Center for Rare Diseases, Emek Medical Center, Afula, Israel

## Liza Squires, MD

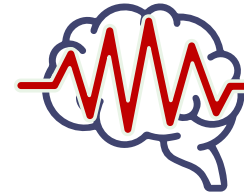
Former Chief Medical Officer, Origin Biosciences  
Sentyln Therapeutics, Inc.



# Molybdenum Cofactor Deficiency (MoCD) Type A

- Rare, autosomal-recessive in-born error of metabolism caused by pathogenic variants in the *MOCS1* gene<sup>1,2</sup>
- Rapidly progressive, irreversible neurologic damage due to loss of the MoCo-dependent enzyme sulfite oxidase, resulting in neurotoxic sulfite accumulation<sup>1,3</sup>
- Patients rarely survive beyond the first few years of life<sup>1</sup>
- Early diagnosis is crucial<sup>4</sup>
- Biomarkers<sup>1,4</sup>
  - Decreasing, low, or undetectable plasma or urinary uric acid
  - Increased plasma and urine xanthine/hypoxanthine
  - Increased urinary sulfites
  - Increased SSC in the plasma and urine

**Signs and symptoms often present in the first hours to weeks of life<sup>1</sup>**



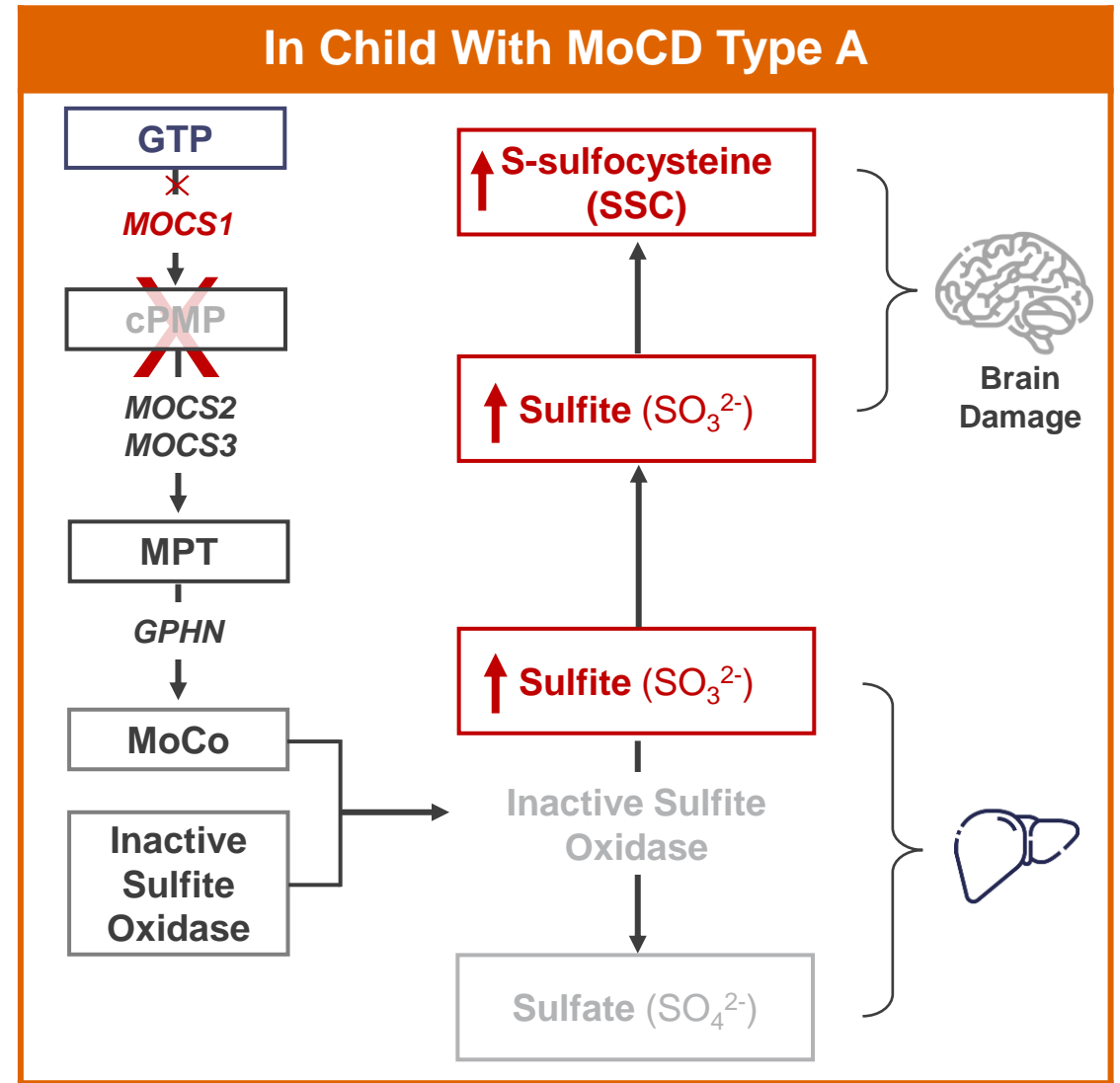
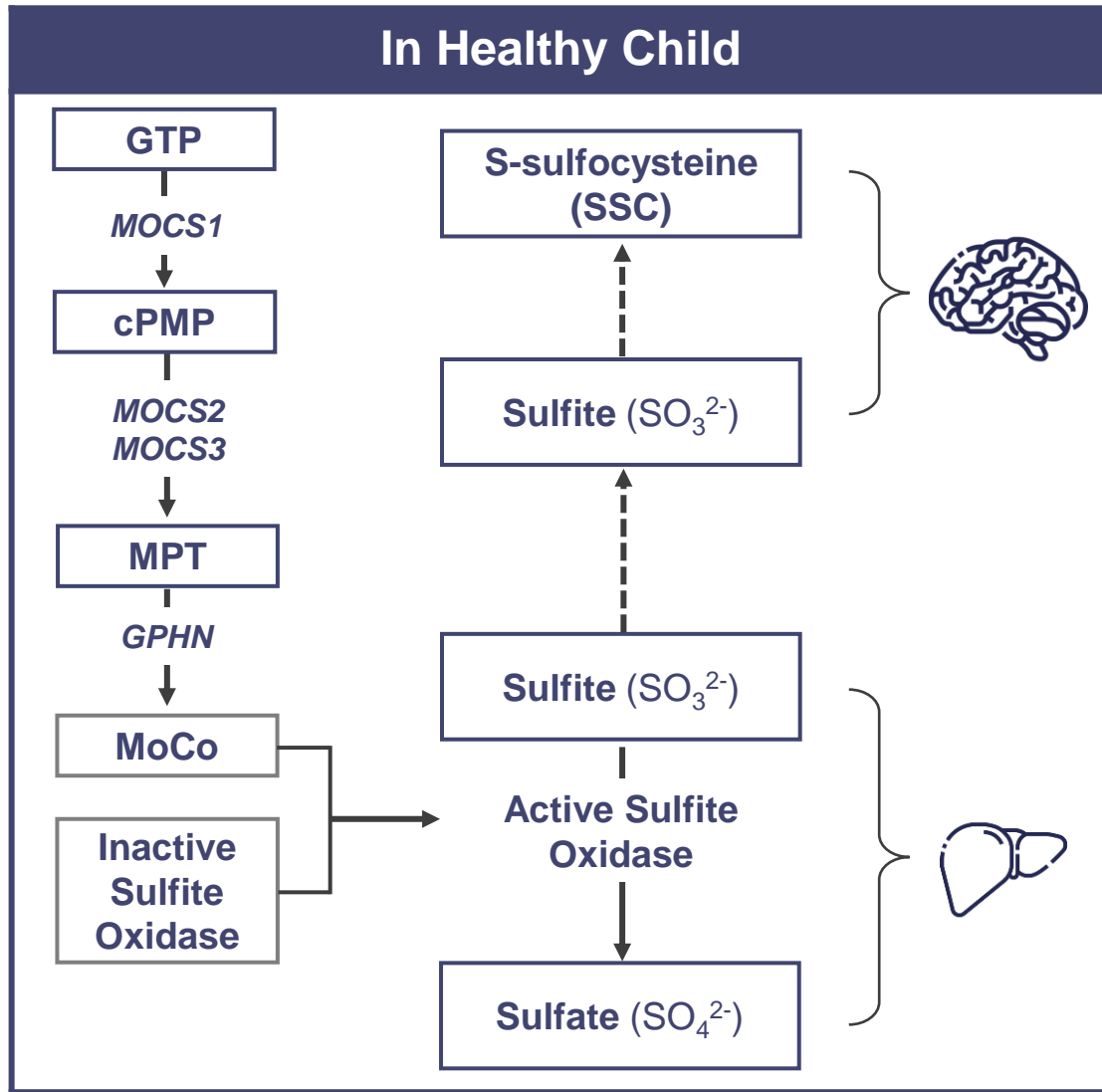
**Intractable Seizures**

**Feeding Difficulties**



**Abnormal Neuro Examination**

# Biochemical Pathology of MoCD<sup>1-3</sup>



cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; *GPHN*, gephyrin; GTP, guanosine triphosphate; MoCD, molybdenum cofactor deficiency; MoCo, molybdenum cofactor; *MOCS1/2/3*, molybdenum cofactor synthesis 1/2/3; MPT, molybdopterin.

1. Reiss J, et al. *Hum Mutat.* 2011;32:10-18; 2. Atwal PS, et al. *Mol Genet Metab.* 2016;117:1-4; 3. Kumar A, et al. *J Clin Invest.* 2017;127:4365-4378.

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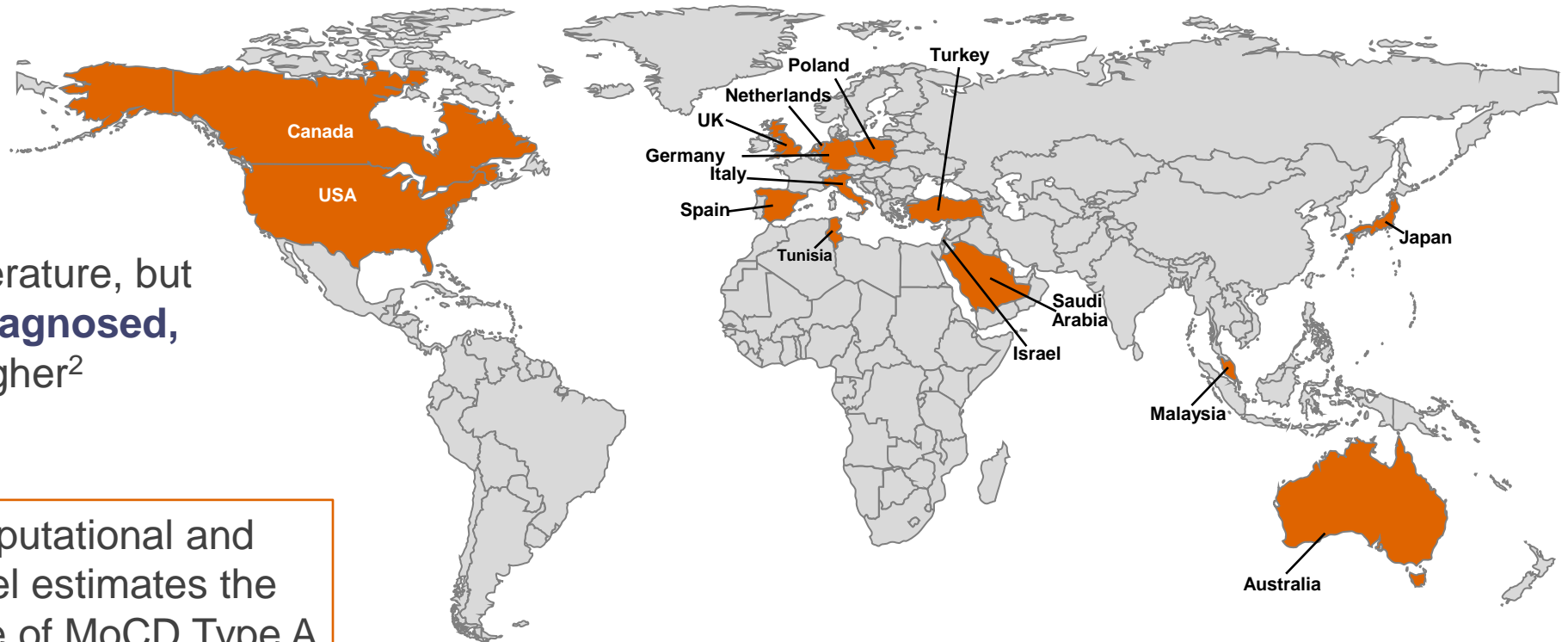
# Epidemiology of MoCD: An Ultra-Rare Disease

MoCD Occurs Worldwide, With “Hot Spots” in Multiple Countries<sup>1</sup>

MoCD is an **ultra-rare, pan-ethnic** disease

**>100**

cases reported in the literature, but **MoCD is likely underdiagnosed**, and numbers may be higher<sup>2</sup>



An iterative computational and biochemical model estimates the worldwide incidence of MoCD Type A is **1:342,000 to 411,000** births<sup>3</sup>

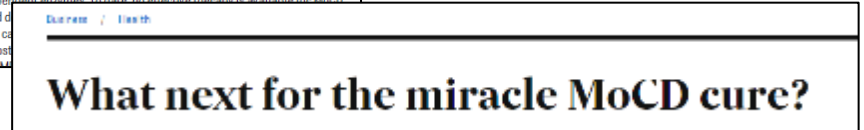
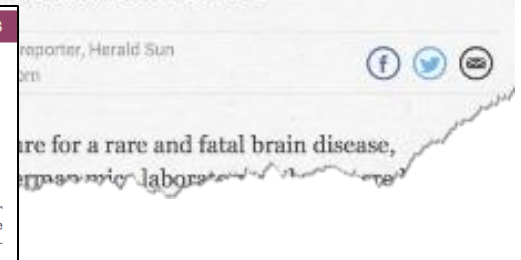
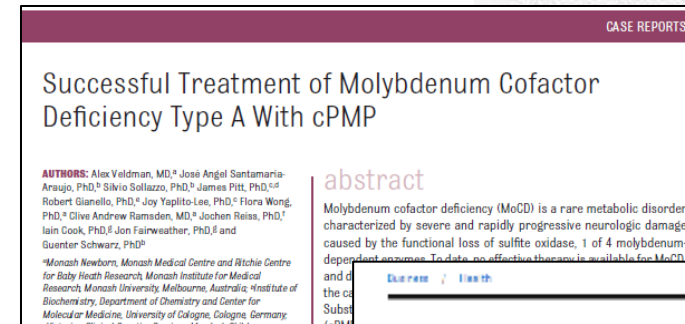
MoCD, molybdenum cofactor deficiency.

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# cPMP Replacement Therapy | First-in-Human Experience

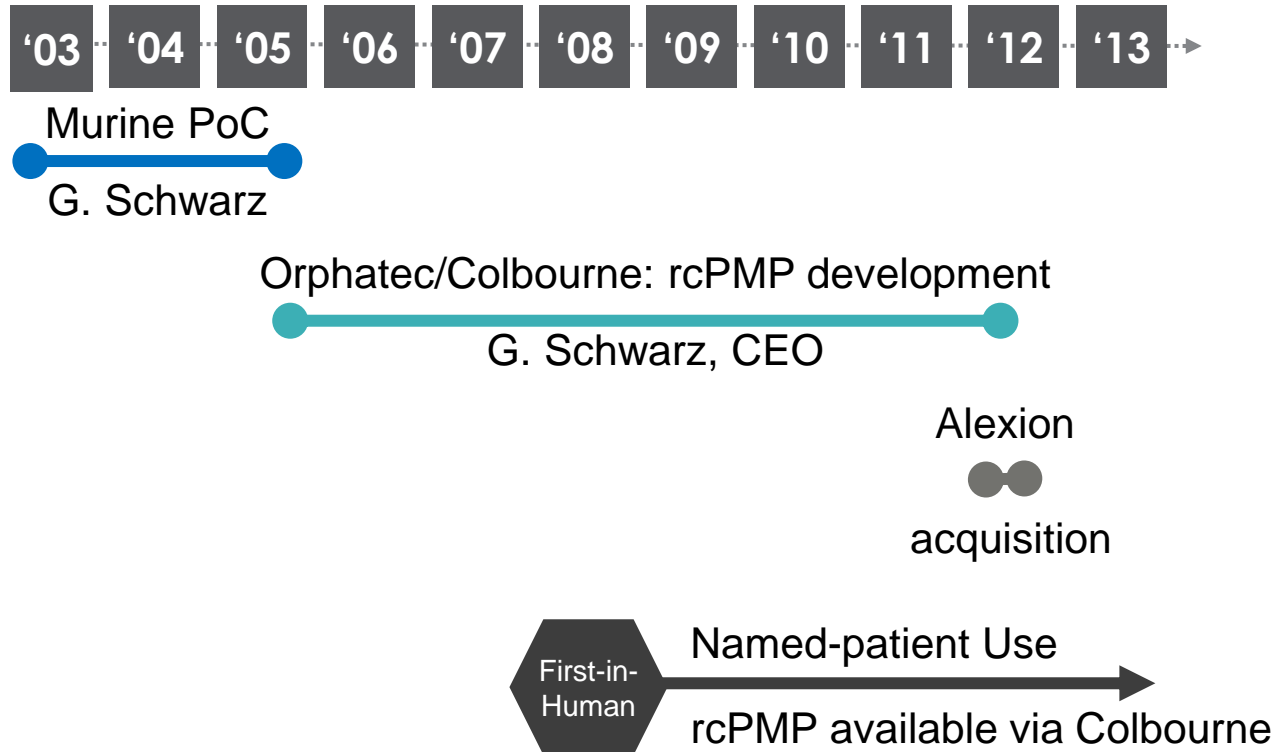
- Prof Guenter Schwarz in Cologne, Germany, discovers that **cPMP is produced as a natural chemical byproduct** by *Escherichia coli*
- Selects for **strains of *Escherichia coli*** to manufacture **recombinant form of cPMP**
- Dr Schwarz's lab **tests cPMP in *MOCS1*-knockout mouse model**, showing its potential as replacement therapy
- **First baby is treated** with recombinant cPMP and **shows rapid biochemical response in 2008**
- Colbourne Pharmaceuticals **begins named-patient program** with recombinant cPMP



Dr Guenter Schwarz



# First 10 Years of Recombinant cPMP Therapy



- **No approved treatments**; supportive care only
- **No patient advocacy group**
- 10 patients with MoCD Type A **treated with recombinant cPMP** gave consent for retrospective data
- Named-patient use, with **each dose prepared by fermentation** in the lab
- **Unethical to initiate a randomized, placebo-controlled trial** in patients with an ultra-rare and fatal disease





# Natural History Study Design (MCD-502)

Multinational, multicenter, retrospective, and prospective study in patients with MoCD or isolated SOX deficiency

## Primary Objective

- ✓ To characterize the natural history of patients with MoCD by
  - Documenting the natural progression of the disease
  - Developing a more complete understanding of the phenotype
  - Describing the clinical and biochemical variability of the condition



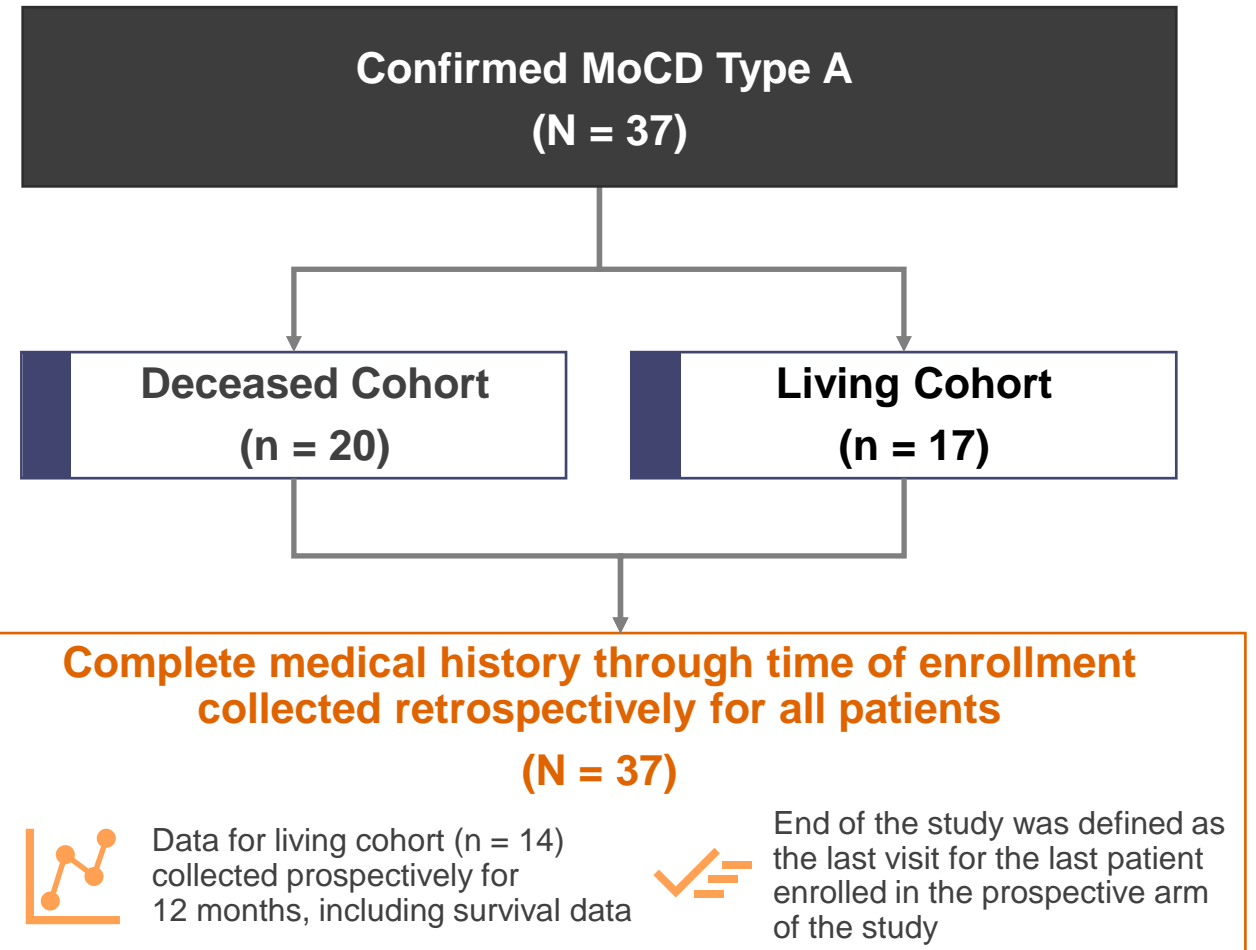
## Inclusion Criteria

- ✓ MoCD or isolated SOX deficiency
  - Clinical and biochemical diagnosis
    - Elevated SSC levels in urine, serum, or plasma
    - Positive urine sulfite dipstick



OR

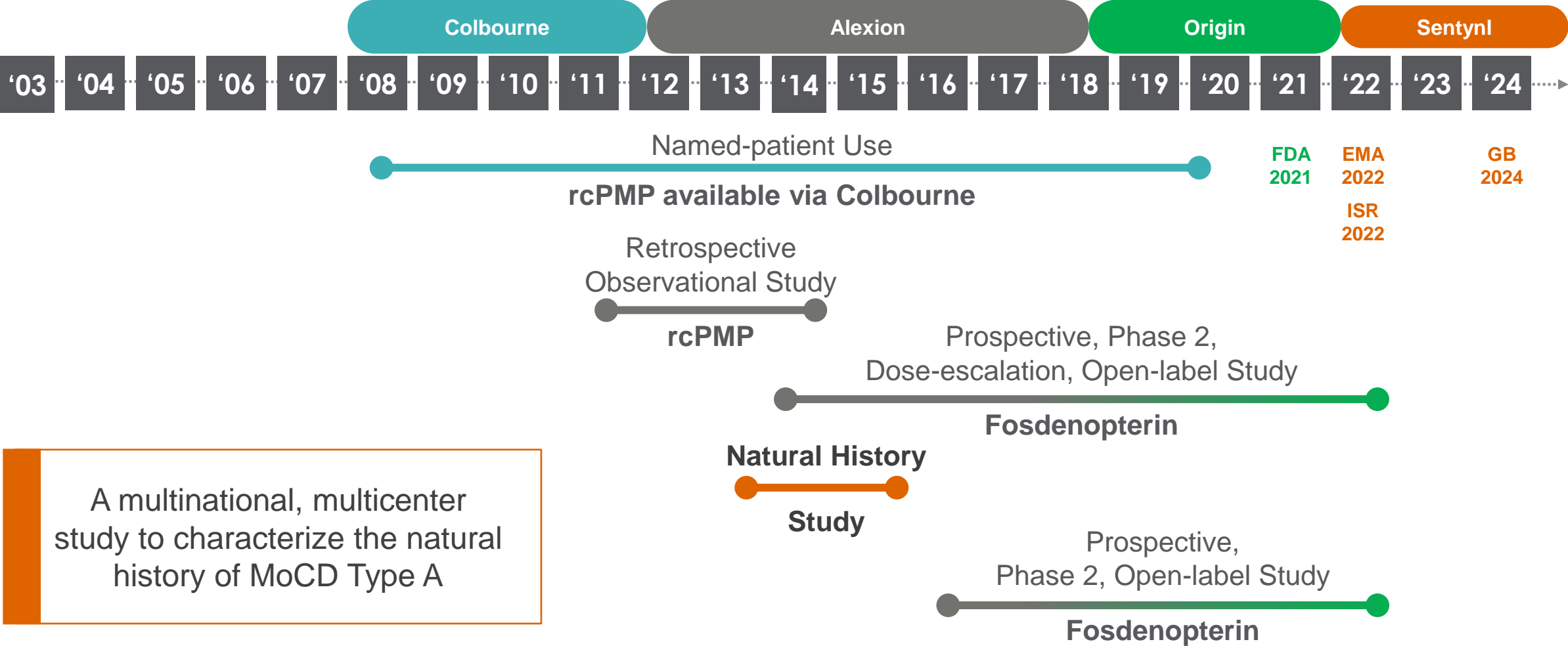
- ✓ Genetic diagnosis



# Natural History Data as a Surrogate Placebo Group



# Clinical Development of Fosdenopterin (cPMP)



A multinational, multicenter study to characterize the natural history of MoCD Type A

cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; MoCD, molybdenum cofactor deficiency; rcPMP, recombinant cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate.

# cPMP Clinical Development Program: Using Natural History Data

## Objectives

- Summarize clinical efficacy of cPMP (inclusive of both recombinant cPMP and fosdenopterin)
  - Retrospective, observational study (MCD-501)
  - Phase 2, open-label, dose-escalation study (MCD-201)
  - Phase 2/3 open-label study (MCD-202)
- Interpret the response to cPMP in patients with MoCD Type A
- Compare the survival rate of children with MoCD Type A treated with cPMP replacement therapy with the survival rate of untreated patients with MoCD Type A from a natural history study

## Key Variables Assessed in the Clinical Studies



Baseline characteristics



Growth parameters



Overall survival



GMFCS-ER



Biomarkers



Seizures



Feeding patterns



Neurologic examinations



Developmental assessments



# Full Analysis Set

Patients with MoCD Type A treated with cPMP replacement therapy (recombinant cPMP and/or fosdenopterin) from 1 retrospective, observational study and 2 prospective, open-label, single-arm studies (N = 13)

**VS**

Patients with MoCD Type A who were enrolled in a multinational, multicenter, retrospective/prospective natural history study (N = 37)

# Patient Demographics

Characteristics, n (%)	cPMP-Treated Patients (N = 13)	Untreated Controls (N = 37)
Male	7 (53.8)	28 (75.7)
Female	6 (46.2)	9 (24.3)
Region of birth		
North America	2 (15.4)	3 (8.1)
Europe	6 (46.2)	14 (37.8)
Rest of world	5 (38.5)	20 (54.1)
Age of first MoCD symptom category		
≤ 28 days	13 (100)	33 (89.2)
> 28 days	0	4 (10.8)



# MoCD Presenting Signs and Symptoms

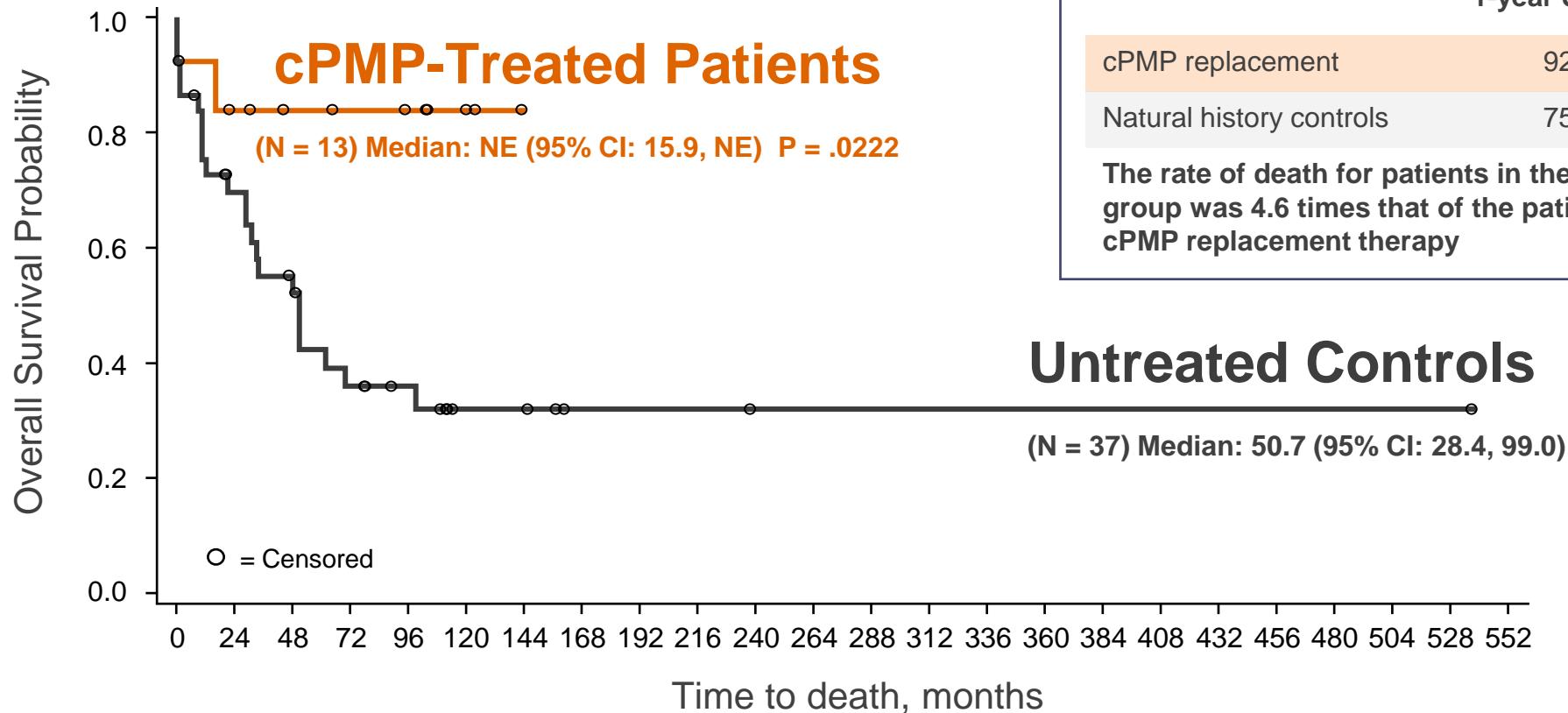
Parameters, n (%)	cPMP-Treated Patients (N = 13)	Untreated Controls (N = 37)
Seizures	9 (69.2)	34 (91.9)
Feeding difficulties	8 (61.5)	31 (83.8)
High-pitched cry	7 (53.8)	16 (43.2)
Exaggerated startle response	5 (38.5)	12 (32.4)
Number of reported other symptoms <sup>a</sup>	21	20

cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; MoCD, molybdenum cofactor deficiency.

<sup>a</sup>Other signs and symptoms included but were not limited to metabolic acidosis, hypertonia, hypotonia, encephalopathy, intracranial hemorrhage.



# cPMP Replacement Therapy Improves Overall Survival



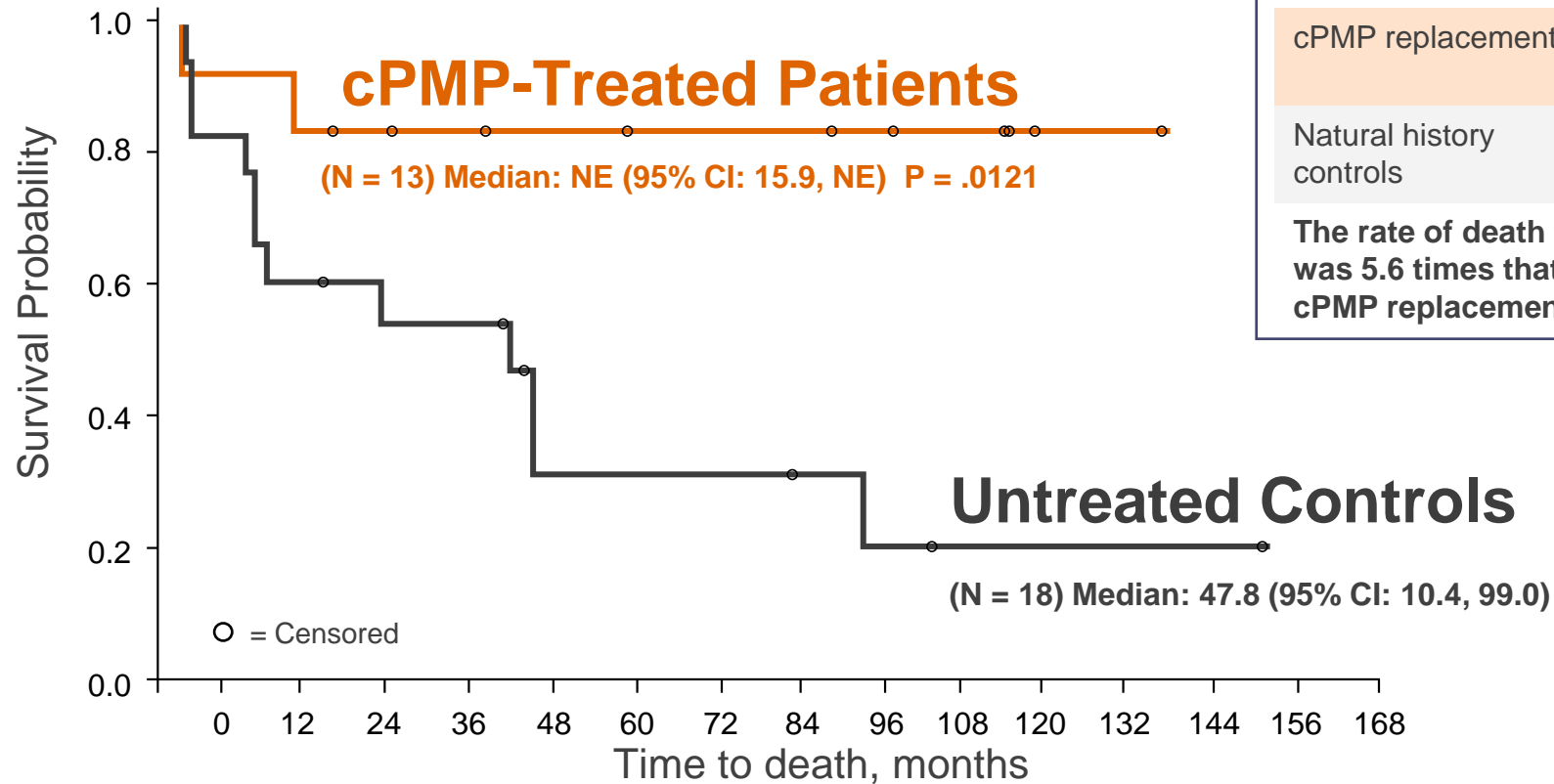
	1-year Survival	2-year Survival
cPMP replacement	92%	84%
Natural history controls	75%	70%

The rate of death for patients in the untreated control group was 4.6 times that of the patients who received cPMP replacement therapy

cPMP/rcPMP 13 11 9 8 7 7 6 6 5 4 3 1 0  
 Not Treated 37 27 24 19 17 13 11 10 9 8 5 5 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 0

cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; NE, not evaluable; rcPMP, recombinant cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate.

# cPMP Replacement Therapy Improved Overall Survival: Genotype-Matched Controls



	1-year Survival	2-year Survival	3-year Survival
cPMP replacement	92%	84%	84%
Natural history controls	67%	61%	55%

The rate of death for patients in the untreated control group was 5.6 times that of the patients who received cPMP replacement therapy

cPMP/rcPMP	13	11	9	8	7	7	6	6	5	4	3	1	0		
Not Treated	18	12	10	9	7	4	4	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	0

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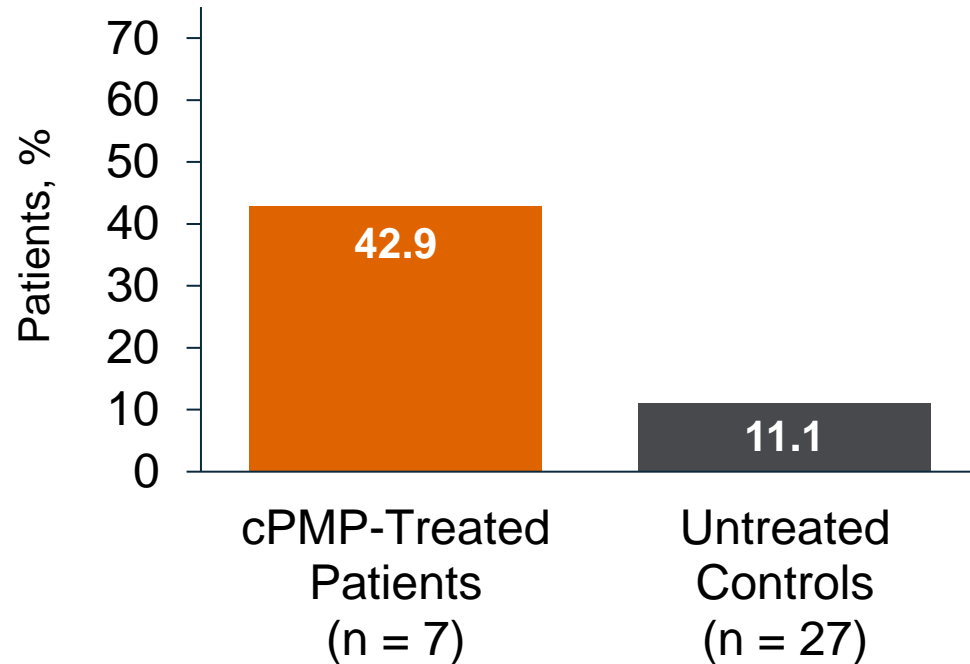
# Urine SSC Levels in cPMP-treated Patients vs Controls

<b>S-sulfocysteine/creatinine, μmol/mmol</b>	<b>cPMP-Treated Patients (N = 12)</b>	<b>Untreated Controls (N = 37)</b>
Baseline, first value, n	12	22
Mean (SD)	181.1 (282.53)	136.3 (87.21)
Last visit, n	12	22
Mean (SD)	11.4 (6.87)	156.6 (100.70)
Change to last visit, n	12	18
Mean (SD)	-169.6 (282.44)	24.8 (104.61)

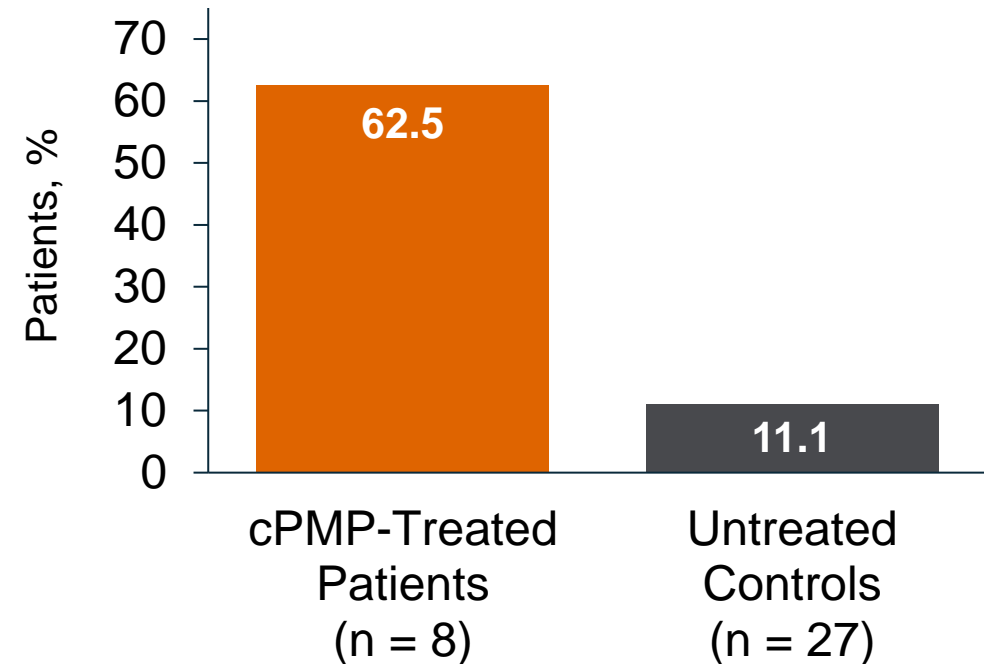
**Pathological values of S-sulfocysteine are > 50 μmol/mmol creatinine**

# Sitting Unassisted in cPMP-Treated Patients vs Controls

## Unassisted Sitting by 12 Months<sup>a</sup>



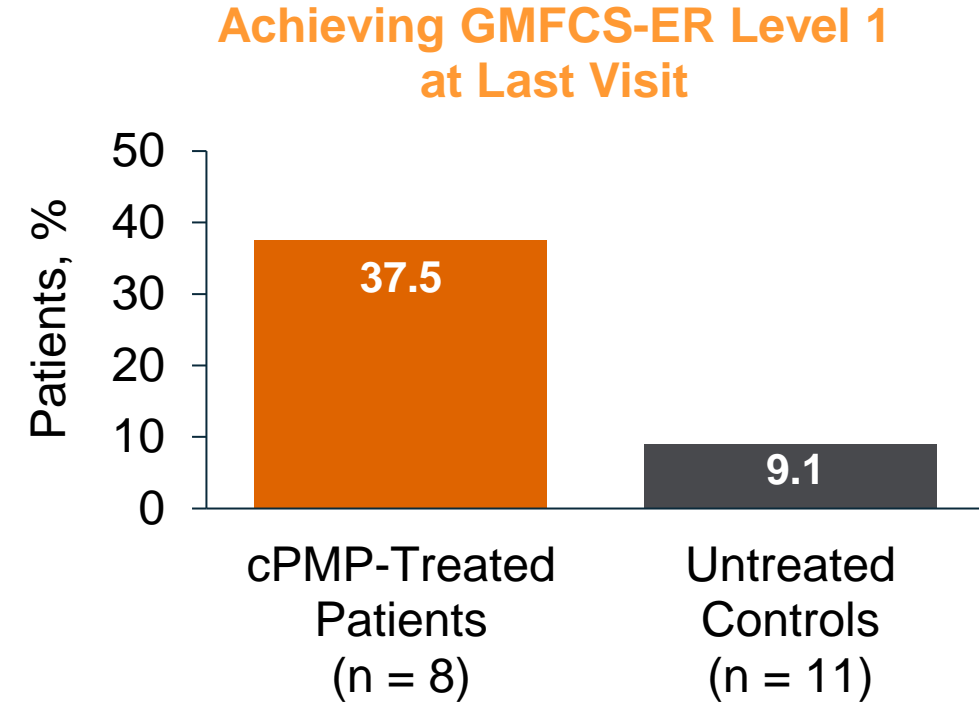
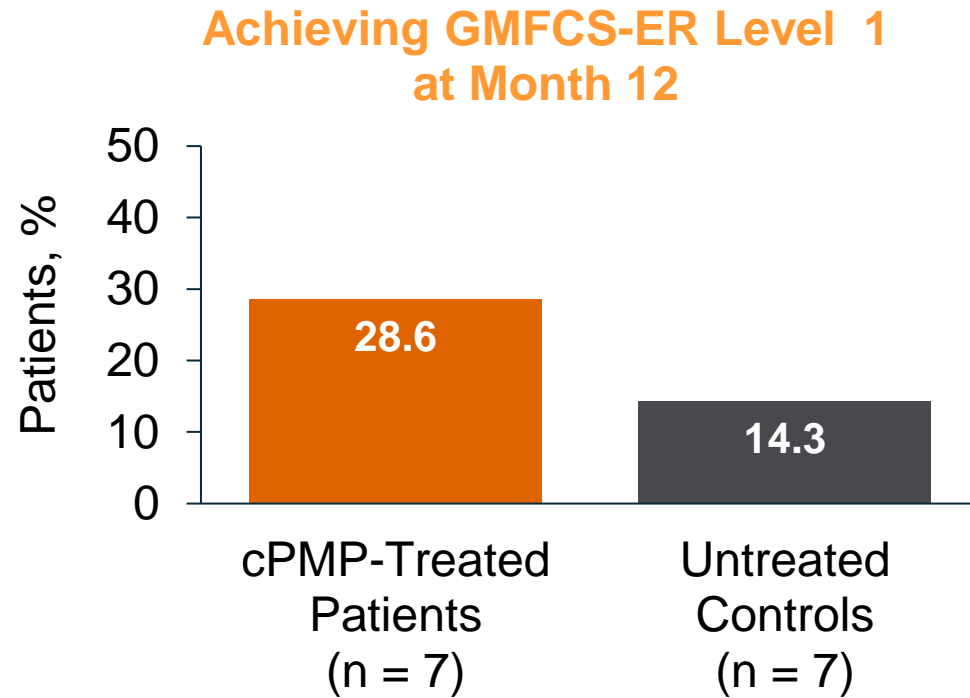
## Unassisted Sitting at Any Time<sup>a</sup>



cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate.

<sup>a</sup>Unassisted sitting was measured as ability to sit independently for 30 seconds.

# Achievement of GMFCS Level 1 in cPMP-Treated Patients vs Controls

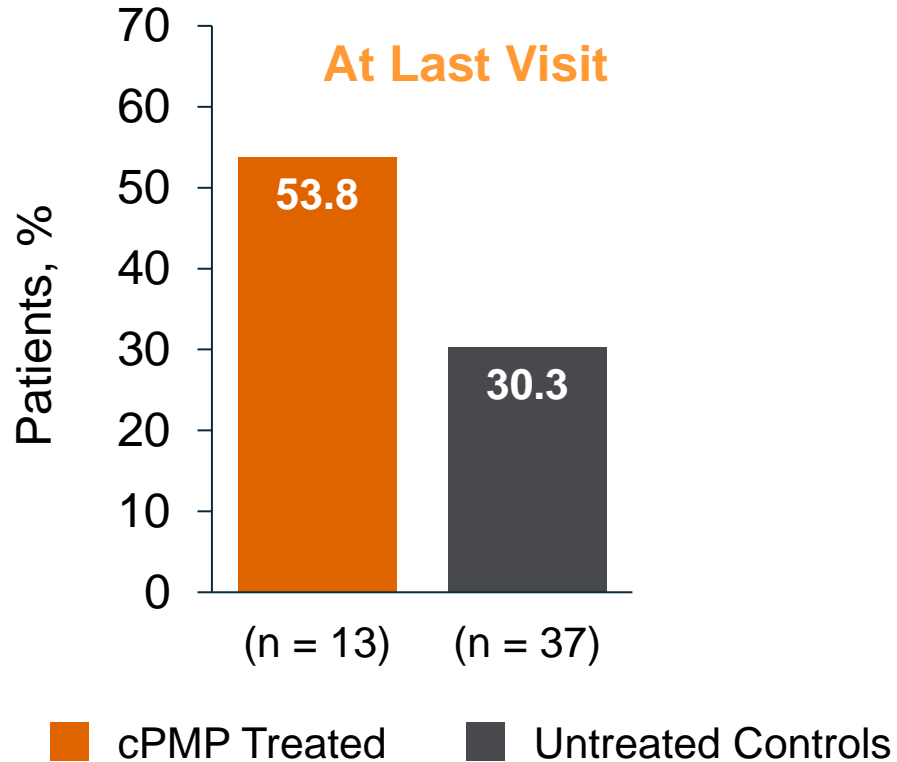


GMFCS-ER Level I represents the highest-rated functioning level on this scale. Children aged 2 and older who are rated as Level I are able to walk independently and, by age 6, can perform higher-level gross motor skills such as running, jumping, and stair climbing.

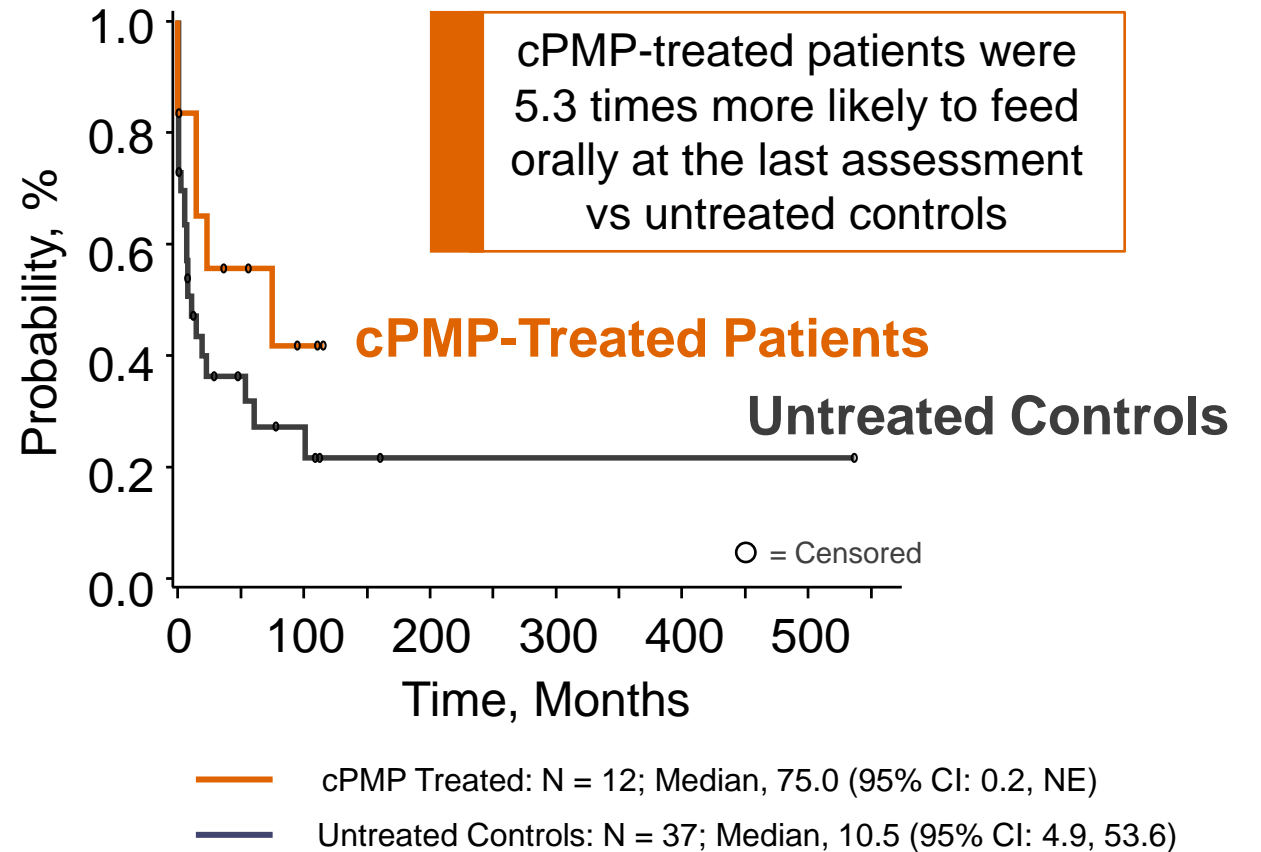


# Oral Feeding in cPMP-Treated Patients vs Controls

## Feeding Orally



## Time to Sustained Nonoral Feeding<sup>a</sup>



cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; NE = not estimable.

<sup>a</sup>Sustained nonoral feeding was defined as the time at which the patient never subsequently returned to an oral method of feeding

# Safety of cPMP

- Most treatment adverse events were mild to moderate, and not related to study drug
  - Most common side effects in fosdenopterin-treated patients were infusion catheter–related complications, pyrexia (fever), viral infection, pneumonia, otitis media (ear infection), vomiting, cough/sneezing, viral upper respiratory infection (common cold/flu-like infection), gastroenteritis (stomach flu-like symptoms), diarrhea, and bacteremia (bacteria in the blood)
  - Side effects for recombinant cPMP-treated patients were similar to the side effects among fosdenopterin-treated patients
- There were no discontinuations or dose modifications due to adverse events
- 2 deaths were noted in the retrospective data
  - 1 patient died due to necrotizing enterocolitis judged as possibly related to study drug
  - 1 patient died due to respiratory syncytial virus pneumonia unrelated to study treatment

## Potential for Photosensitivity

- cPMP (fosdenopterin) can make the patient oversensitive to sunlight
- Patients or their caregivers are advised to avoid or minimize patient exposure to sunlight and artificial UV light and adopt precautionary measures when exposed to the sun, including wearing protective clothing and sunglasses, and using broad-spectrum sunscreen with high SPF in patients 6 months of age and older
- If photosensitivity occurs, caregivers/patients are advised to seek medical attention immediately and consider a dermatological evaluation

# Conclusions Leading to the Approval of Fosdenopterin for MoCD Type A



Patients treated with cPMP had **improved overall survival** when compared with untreated historical controls



Patients treated with cPMP **demonstrated decreased urine SSC levels** when compared with untreated historical controls



Additional confirmatory evidence was **provided by the animal model** of MoCD Type A



cPMP (fosdenopterin) was **safe and well-tolerated**



# Natural History Studies

## Provide an opportunity to:

- Characterize ultra-rare and rare disorders
- Develop appropriate disease biomarkers
- Ethically study potentially life-saving treatments
- Facilitate the development of therapeutics in ultra-rare and rare disorders



# Thank You



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# Case Example: Lumasiran and Nedosiran for Primary Hyperoxaluria

## Presenter

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Mayo Clinic Hospital – Rochester



# Case Study: Use of registry data to define the natural history of primary hyperoxaluria

**FDA Symposium**  
**May 13, 2024**

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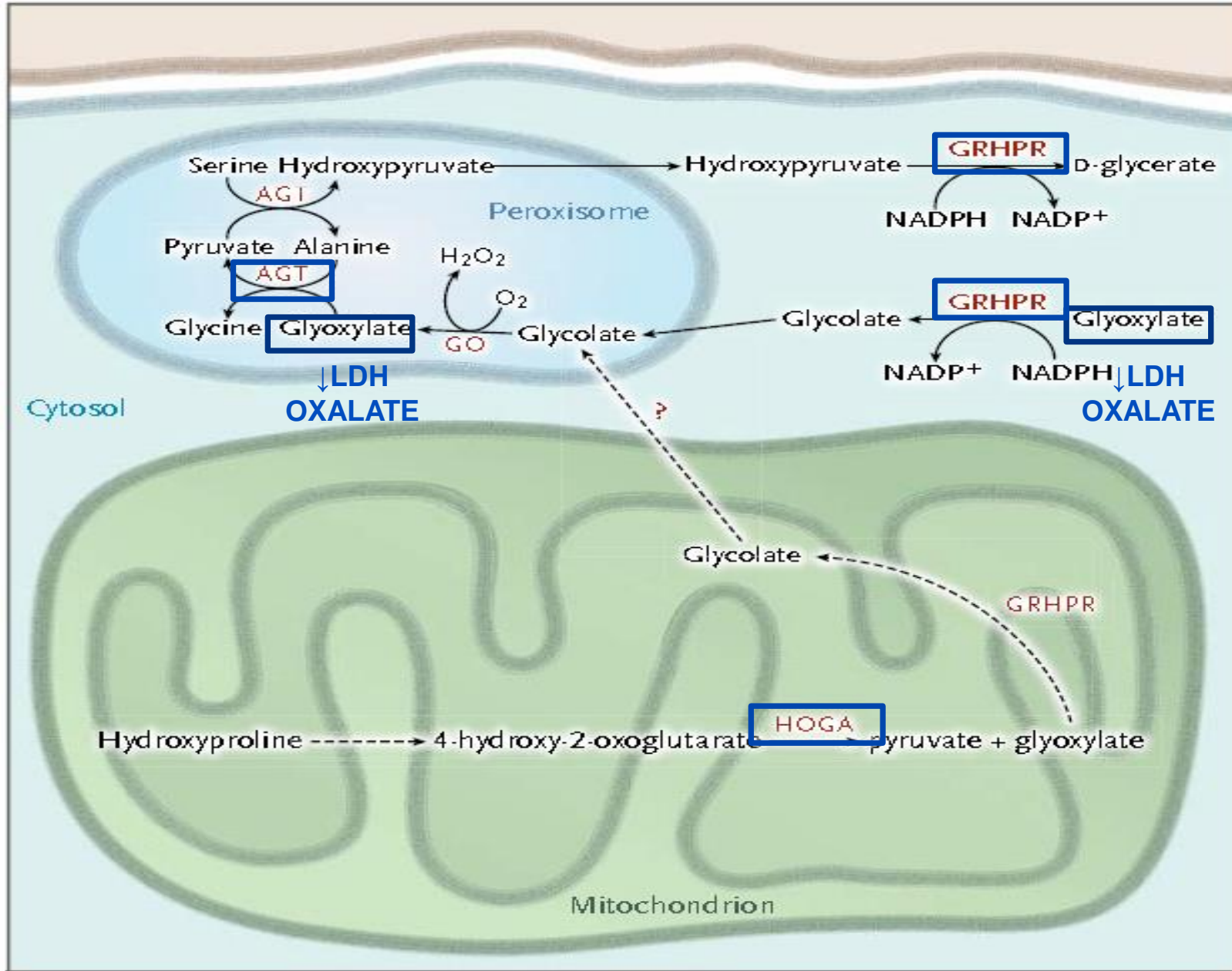
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None

# Outline

- Primary Hyperoxaluria
- Key Role of Patient Advocacy Group (PAG) and ASN to develop registry, disease background, and ultimately engage FDA under the auspices of the Kidney Health Initiative
- Key natural history features that informed treatment efficacy measures
- Ultimate outcome of efforts

# Primary Hyperoxaluria: Hepatic oxalate overproduction



## Gene mutation

PH type 1 (30%): *AGT*

PH type 2 (10%): *GRHPR*

PH type 3 (60%): *HOGA*

## Enzymes implicated

PH 1 and PH2:

Cytosolic LDH

Glyoxalate → Oxalate

PH3: ??

## Ancillary tests

PH1: ↑ glycolate

PH2: ↑ glycerate

PH3: ↑ 4-hydroxyglutarate

# Hyperoxaluria

High concentrations of oxalate in urine lead to stones, nephrocalcinosis, CKD, and kidney failure, and can result in systemic oxalosis causing multiorgan damage.

## Types of Hyperoxaluria

- Primary hyperoxaluria (PH) due to increased hepatic oxalate production caused by any of three known genetic defects in glyoxylate and hydroxyproline metabolism in the liver.

Rare disease: 1-3 per million population

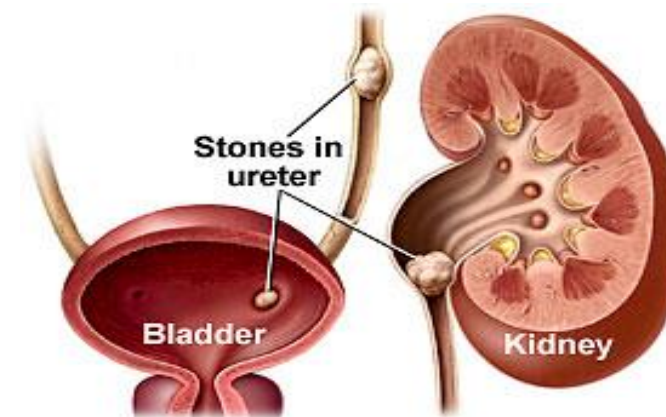
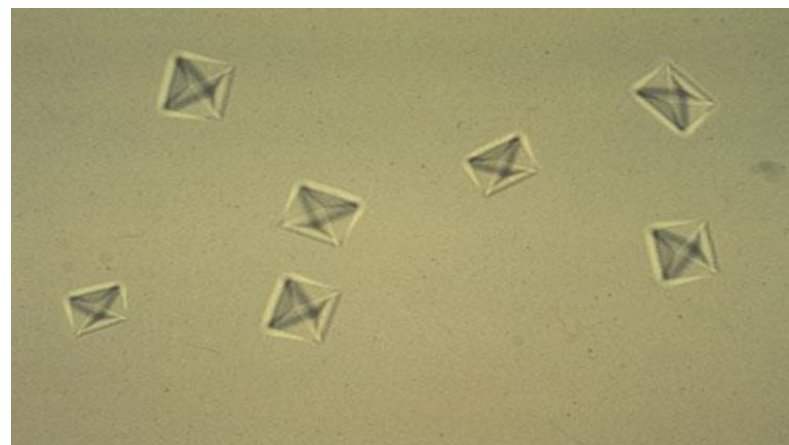
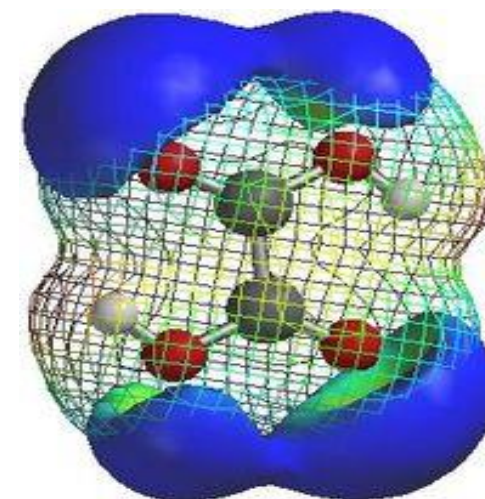
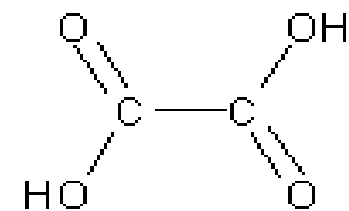
- Enteric hyperoxaluria (EH) caused by fat malabsorption which leads to high absorption of oxalate in small intestine.

Estimated to affect ~150,000 patients

# What is oxalate?






TABLE 3. Foods with high oxalate content

Food	Serving size	Oxalate (mg)
Rhubarb	1 cup	720-1032
Spinach	1 cup	570-675
Beetroot	1 cup	573
Swiss chard	1 cup	568
Pokeweed	1 cup	390
Cocoa powder	1 ounce	174
Okra	1 cup	117
Wheat germ	1 ounce	75
Tea (4 min infusion)	1 teaspoon	72
Green gooseberries	1 cup	66
Collards	1 cup	63
Crackers, soybean	1 ounce	58
Pecans	1 ounce	56
Peanuts	1 ounce	52
Grits, white corn	1 cup	50
Sweet potato	1 cup	34
Chocolate	1 ounce	33
Black raspberries	1 cup	32
Leek	1 cup	23
Celery	2 stalks (80 g)	16
Rutabaga	1 cup	16
Eggplant	1 cup	15
Summer squash	1 cup	14
Blackberries	1 cup	13
Green beans	1 cup	11
Blueberries	1 cup	11
Currants, red	1 cup	11
Dewberries	1 cup	10
Black pepper	1 tsp	8
Green pepper	1 cup	8



# Time machine travel to 2016

## Increasing possibility for clinical trials in oxalate-related diseases

- Alter gastrointestinal oxalate absorption and/or secretion
  - Manipulate the gastrointestinal microbiome 
  - Oral oxalate degrading enzymes 
- Inhibition or manipulation of hepatic enzyme pathways
  - siRNA 
    - Small molecules 
    - Chaperones 



# 2016 OHF Annual Scientific Advisory Board meeting

- **Primary and enteric hyperoxaluria are rare diseases**
  - Clinical trials with renal function, CKD, kidney failure, or kidney stones are not feasible
  - The FDA is increasingly receptive to alternatives to these hard clinical endpoints, as long as well-justified
    - Duchenne muscular dystrophy is one example
- Idea of an FDA white paper on oxalate studies discussed with scientific, industry, and patient representatives at a half day meeting.
  - Concept enthusiastically endorsed by all present
  - Despite being an “unfunded mandate” efforts moved forward...

# OHF team to DC in Spring 2016

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## Stop 1: ASN



- The mission of KHI is to advance scientific understanding of the kidney health and patient safety implications of new and existing medical products and to foster development of therapies for diseases that affect the kidney by creating a collaborative environment in which the FDA and the greater nephrology community can interact to optimize the evaluation of drugs, devices, biologics, and food products.

<https://www.asn-online.org/khi/>

# Who can join KHI?

- KHI is a collaborative environment for all stakeholders in the kidney community to help foster development of optimum therapies for diseases that affect the kidney. KHI members may include:
  - Patient organizations
  - Health professional organizations
  - Research Institutions
  - Foundations
  - Pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies
  - Device manufacturers
  - Dialysis providers
  - US and international government agencies

# Current KHI projects (2016)

- Advancing Technologies to Facilitate Remote Management of Patient Self-Care in Renal Replacement Therapy (RRT)
- Clinical Trial Endpoints for Dialysis Vascular Access
- Data Harmonization in Kidney Transplant
- Data Standards in Diabetic Kidney Disease
- Development of a Roadmap for Innovations in Renal Replacement Therapy (RRT)
- **Identifying Surrogate Endpoints for Clinical Trials in IgA Nephropathy**
- Overcoming Barriers to Drug Development in Children with CKD
- Pragmatic Trials in Dialysis: Challenges and Opportunities
- Prioritizing Symptoms of ESRD Patients for Developing Therapeutic Interventions
- Regulatory Policies and Positions Affecting Device Approval in the US: Tools to Assess the Process and Foster Device Development for Patients with Kidney Disease
- Workshop to Elucidate Role of Patient Preferences in Support of CDRH Regulatory Actions in Kidney Disease

## Stop 2: FDA meeting

- Well attended “1 hr” meeting with ~20 FDA representatives
- In general seemed receptive to our message that large clinical trials with hard endpoints are not feasible
- There is a mechanism to submit paperwork to validate a surrogate endpoint (like oxalate), but was mentioned maybe not be the best approach
- No firm advice r/e next best steps

# Kidney Health Initiative (KHI)

- OHF proposal submitted for mid 2016 cycle to help with developing guidance for appropriate endpoints in hyperoxaluria trials
- Well received but ultimately not approved
- Feedback: Not eager to take on “validation of a surrogate endpoint” with all the lab work, etc. that effort might entail
- Plan to reapply for Spring 2017 cycle, and attend stakeholders meeting in May 2017
  - OHF and several officers are now KHI members



# OHF SAB meeting 2017

- While waiting to reapply to KHI, we have decided now is the time to seize our momentum and work on a summary document that will:
  - be used when we engage the FDA in further discussion, hopefully culminating in the request from them for us to develop a guidance document
  - form the basis (or starting point) for this comprehensive guidance document

<b>1</b>	<b>Biology of oxalate, including biosynthetic pathways</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Renal and gastrointestinal oxalate transport</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Genetics of Primary Hyperoxaluria</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Pathophysiology of enteric hyperoxaluria</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Diagnosis of hyperoxaluria, including algorithms and laboratory issues</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Pathophysiology of calcium oxalate kidney stones and nephrocalcinosis in hyperoxaluric states</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Treatment strategies for hyperoxaluria- current and future</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>The clinical needs for hyperoxaluria trials from the patients' perspective</b>

# Workgroups

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# Subsequent Timeline

- February 25, 2017
  - Working meeting
- March-April 2017
  - Small group follow-up
- May-June 2017
  - Roll into one document
- July 2017
  - Discussions at OHF workshop

# KHI Project

- **May-Sept 2017** Application submitted to KHI and approved
- Initial stakeholders meeting **Feb 22, 2018**.
  - Good representation from industry, academia, patients and families.

## Specific Objectives

### **1. Consensus recommendations for potential surrogate endpoints**

- Identify candidate surrogate markers for clinical trials in hyperoxaluria
- Critically assess candidate measures for appropriateness
- Identify gaps in the data and future research needs to fully establish acceptable biochemical marker(s) for clinical trials in hyperoxaluria

### **2. Develop recommendations for industry guidelines for expedited clinical trials and approvals**

- Identify characteristics of patients with differing risks of progression
- Develop a consensus statement of risk tolerance of hyperoxaluric patients/families for clinical trial participation and medication use

# Surrogate End Points for Clinical Trials

*Endpoint markers for clinical trials are expected meet the following criteria:*

- **Biologic plausibility** that the biochemical marker is on the biologic pathway to a hard endpoint such as kidney failure or death
- Epidemiologic or other **data showing consistent association between the biochemical marker and the clinical outcome** of interest
- Any available **data from clinical trials showing that the effects of treatment on the candidate marker largely account for their effects on clinical outcome**
- **An assessment of quantitative effect** on the endpoint marker that is **needed to be clinically significant**

# PH Registry Enrollment March-2023

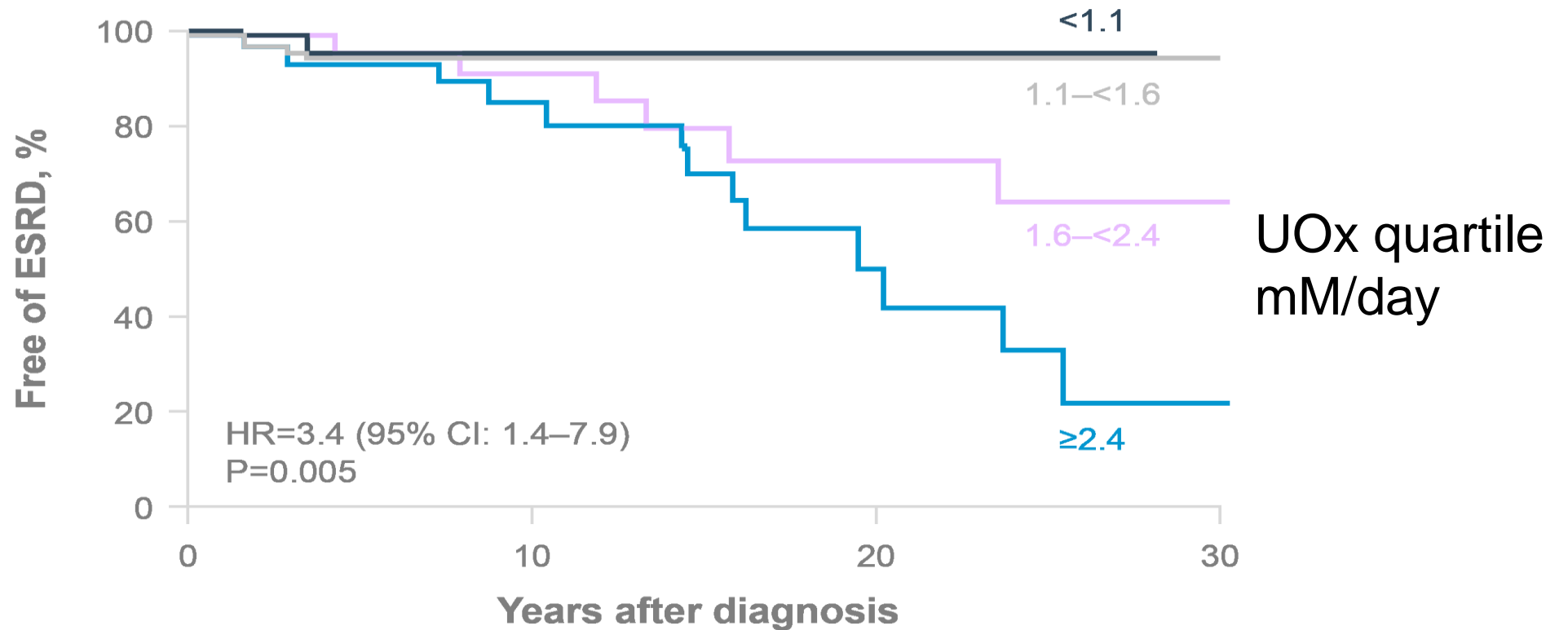
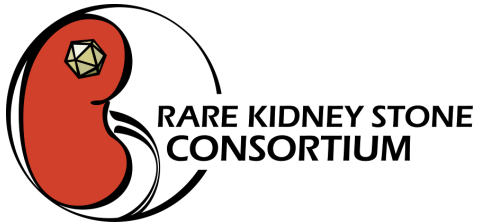
	<b>Total (N=603)</b>
<b>Sex, n (%)</b>	
<b>M</b>	<b>326 (54.4%)</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>273 (45.6%)</b>
<b>Not Recorded</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Race, n (%)</b>	
<b>Am. Indian</b>	<b>3 (0.5%)</b>
<b>Asian</b>	<b>126 (20.9%)</b>
<b>African American</b>	<b>14 (2.3%)</b>
<b>Hawaiian</b>	<b>2 (0.3%)</b>
<b>White</b>	<b>357 (59.2%)</b>
<b>Not Disclosed</b>	<b>101 (16.7%)</b>
<b>Ethnicity, n (%)</b>	
<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	<b>34 (5.6%)</b>
<b>Non Hispanic or Latino</b>	<b>339 (56.2%)</b>
<b>Not Disclosed</b>	<b>230 (38.1%)</b>
<b>Deceased, n (%)</b>	
<b>No</b>	<b>534 (88.6%)</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>69 (11.4%)</b>

# PH Registry Enrollment March-2023

<b>Renal Failure, n (%)</b>	
No	349 (57.9%)
Yes	254 (42.1%)
<b>Patients with Serum Labs</b>	
N	539
Mean (SD)	7.5 (7.70)
Median	5
Range	1.0, 46.0
<b>Patients with Urine Labs</b>	
N	490
Mean (SD)	6.6 (6.48)
Median	4
Range	1.0, 30.0
<b>Year LFU, n (%)</b>	
<=2019	417 (69.2%)
2020	62 (10.3%)
2021	45 (7.5%)
2022	67 (11.1%)
2023	12 (2.0%)
<b>FU Years</b>	
N	603
Mean (SD)	9.1 (11.59)
Median	4.9
Range	0.0, 64.1



# Urine oxalate is a key risk factor for kidney failure in PH

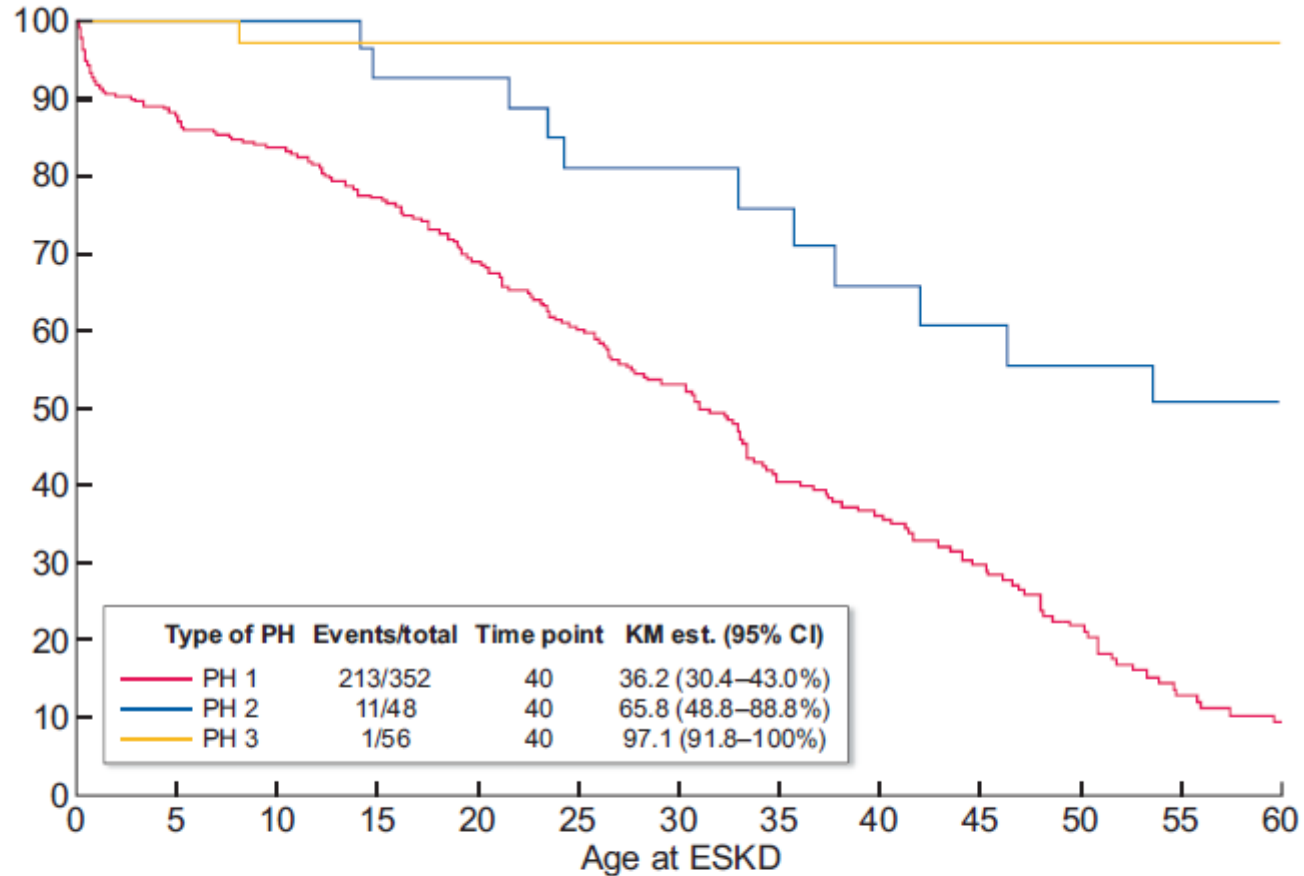


Urine oxalate	Survival estimate, % (number at risk)			
<1.1	100 (42)	96 (7)	96 (1)	–
1.1–<1.6	100 (42)	95 (8)	95 (5)	95 (2)
1.6–<2.4	100 (42)	91 (19)	73 (10)	65 (6)
≥2.4	100 (42)	85 (19)	42 (6)	23 (2)

Zhao et al Clin J Am Soc Nephrol 11: 119–126, 2016

# Kidney failure is common in PH 1 and PH2, especially in PH1

Percent without kidney failure



..... PH3

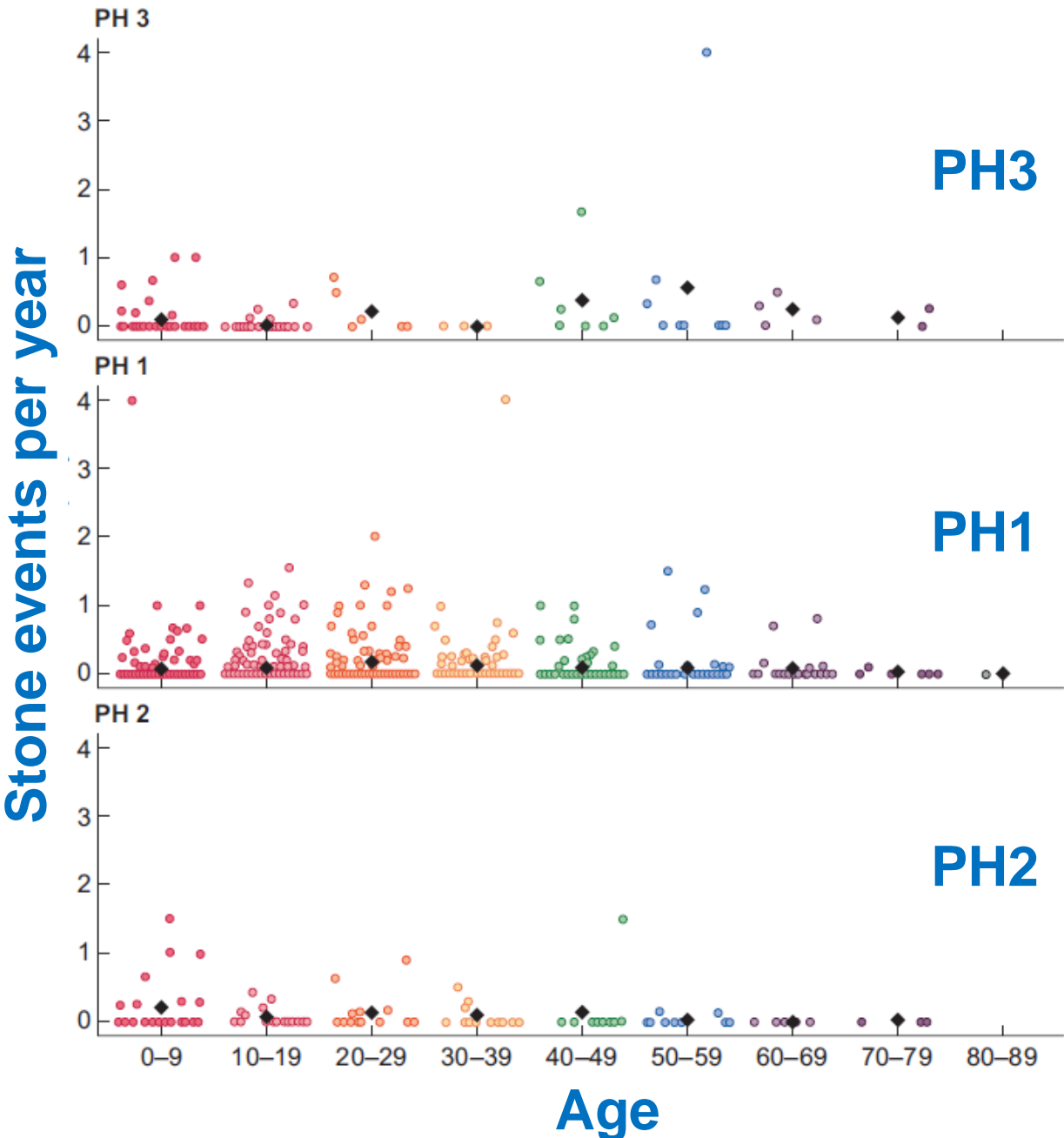
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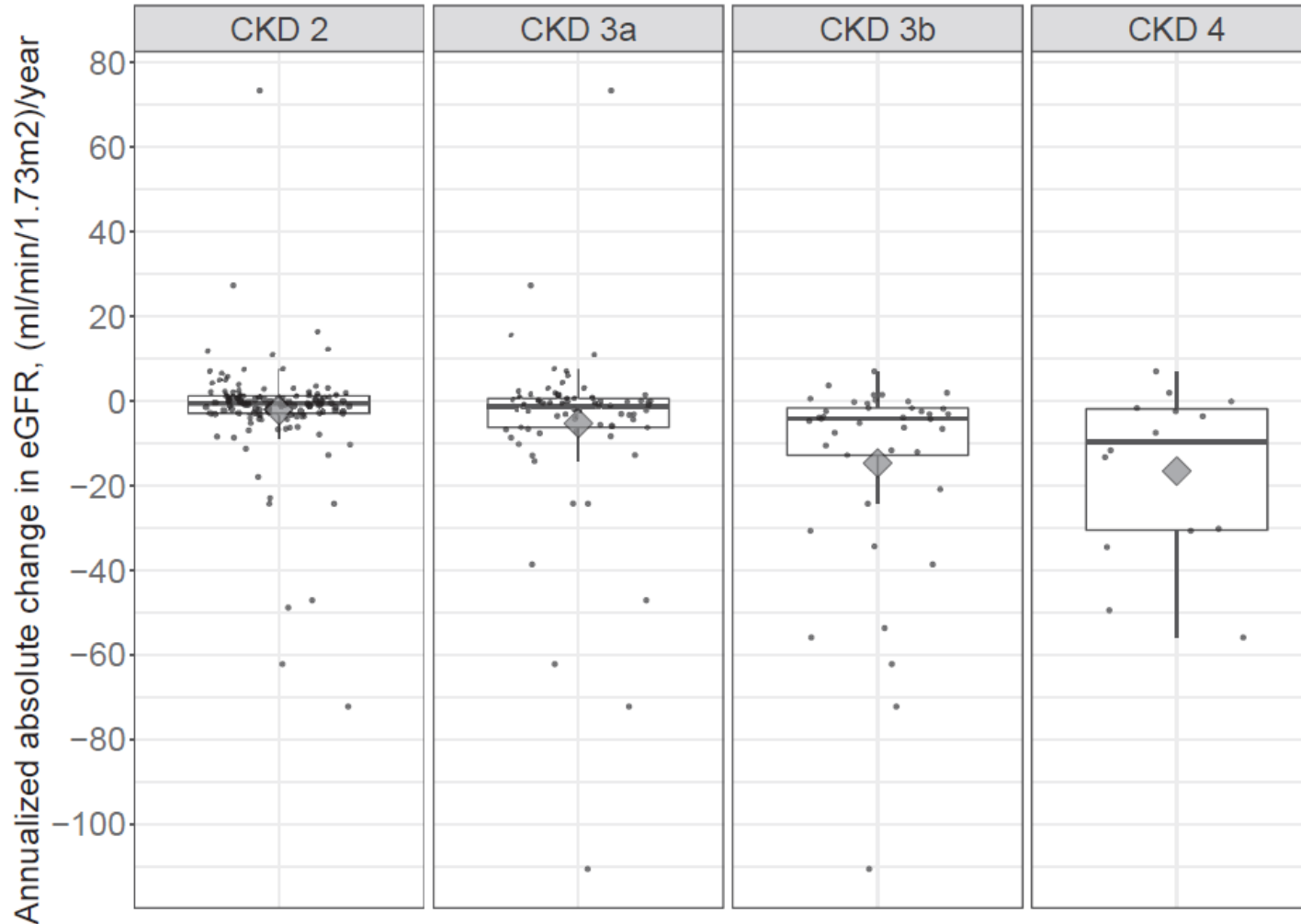


	Patients-at-risk												
	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
PH 1	352	286	255	211	169	140	116	79	65	48	31	16	10
PH 2	48	44	31	25	24	21	16	15	13	12	11	9	5
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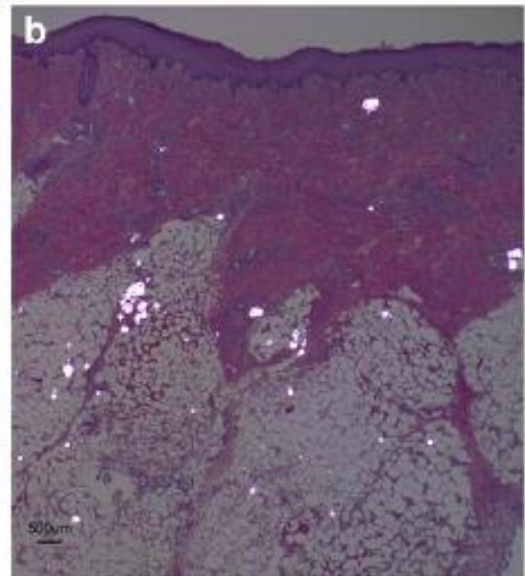
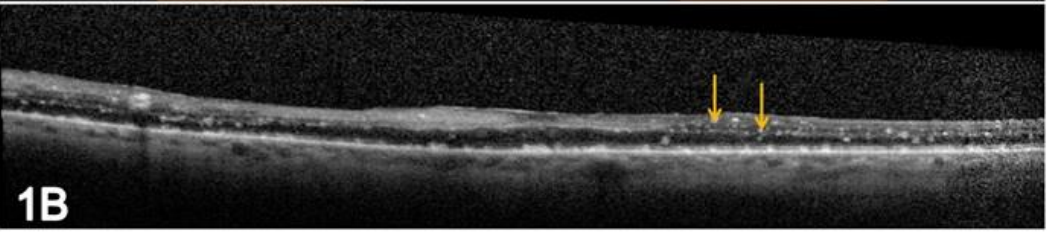
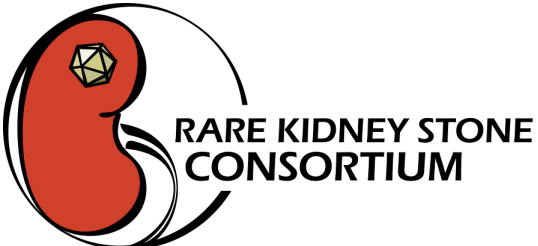
Kidney stones are equally common in all PH types and across the decades



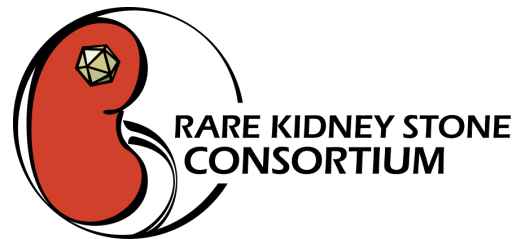
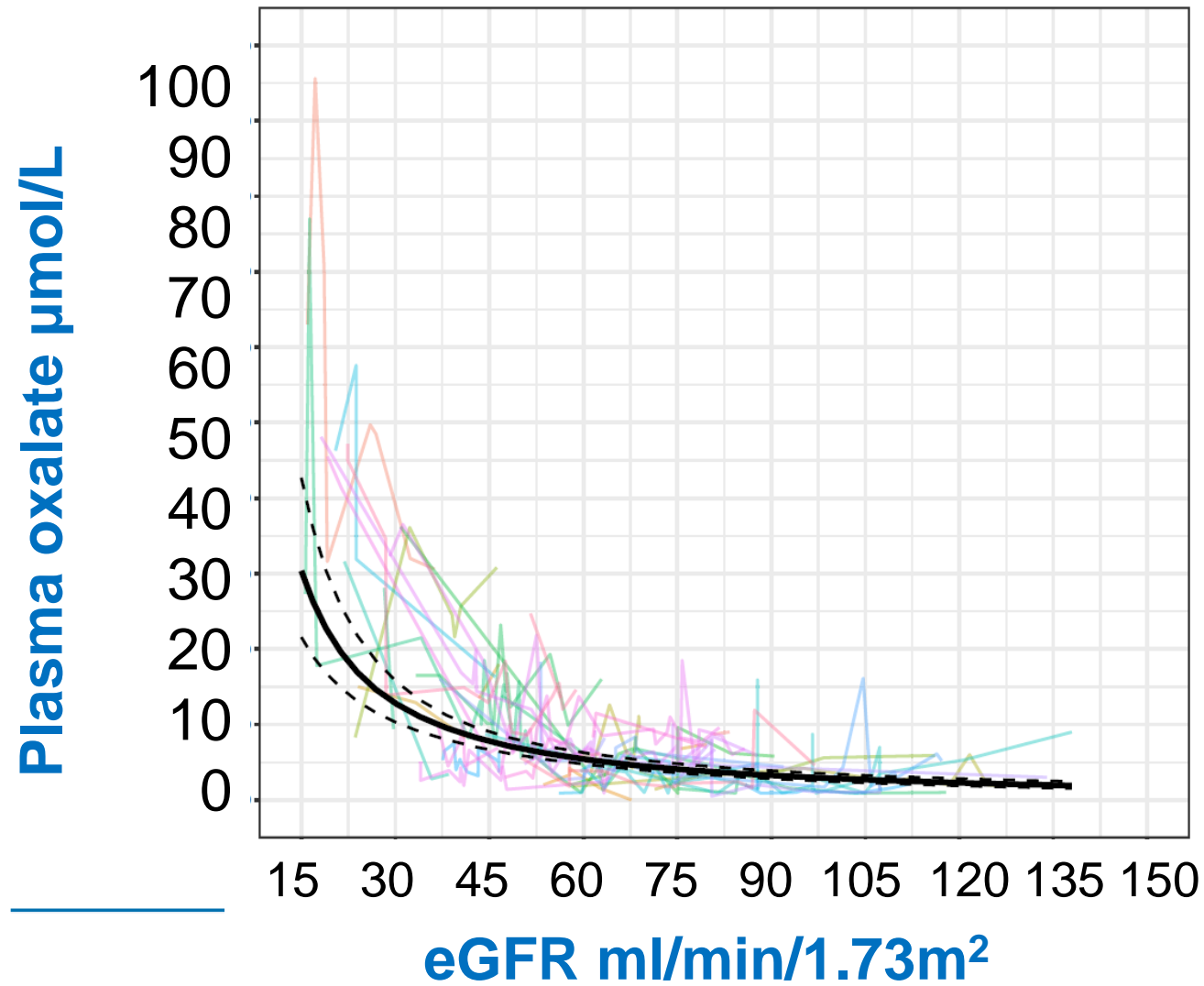
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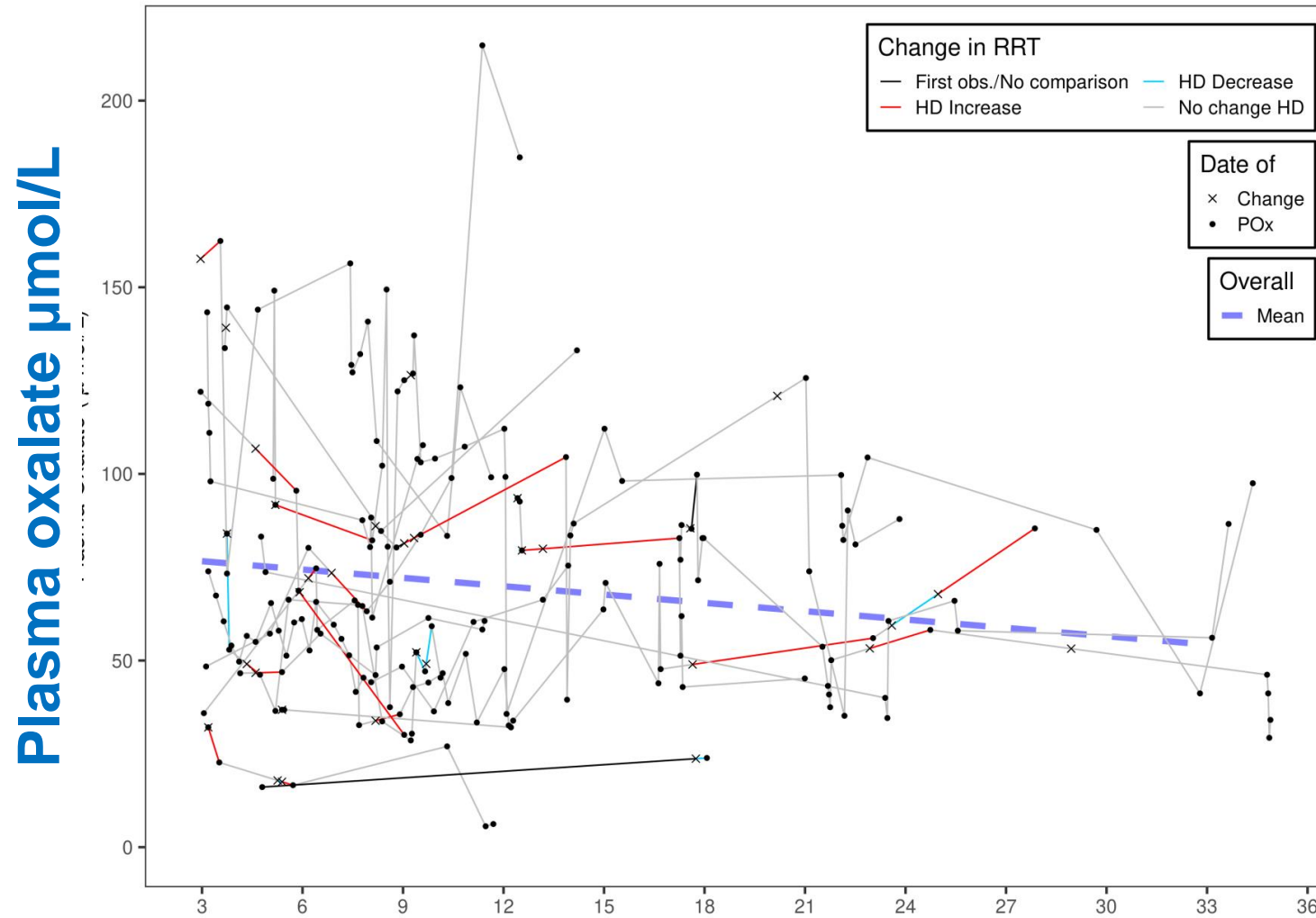
# Oxalosis



# Plasma oxalate increases markedly at low eGFR in PH1



# Plasma oxalate over time on dialysis in PH1



Months since renal replacement therapy start date

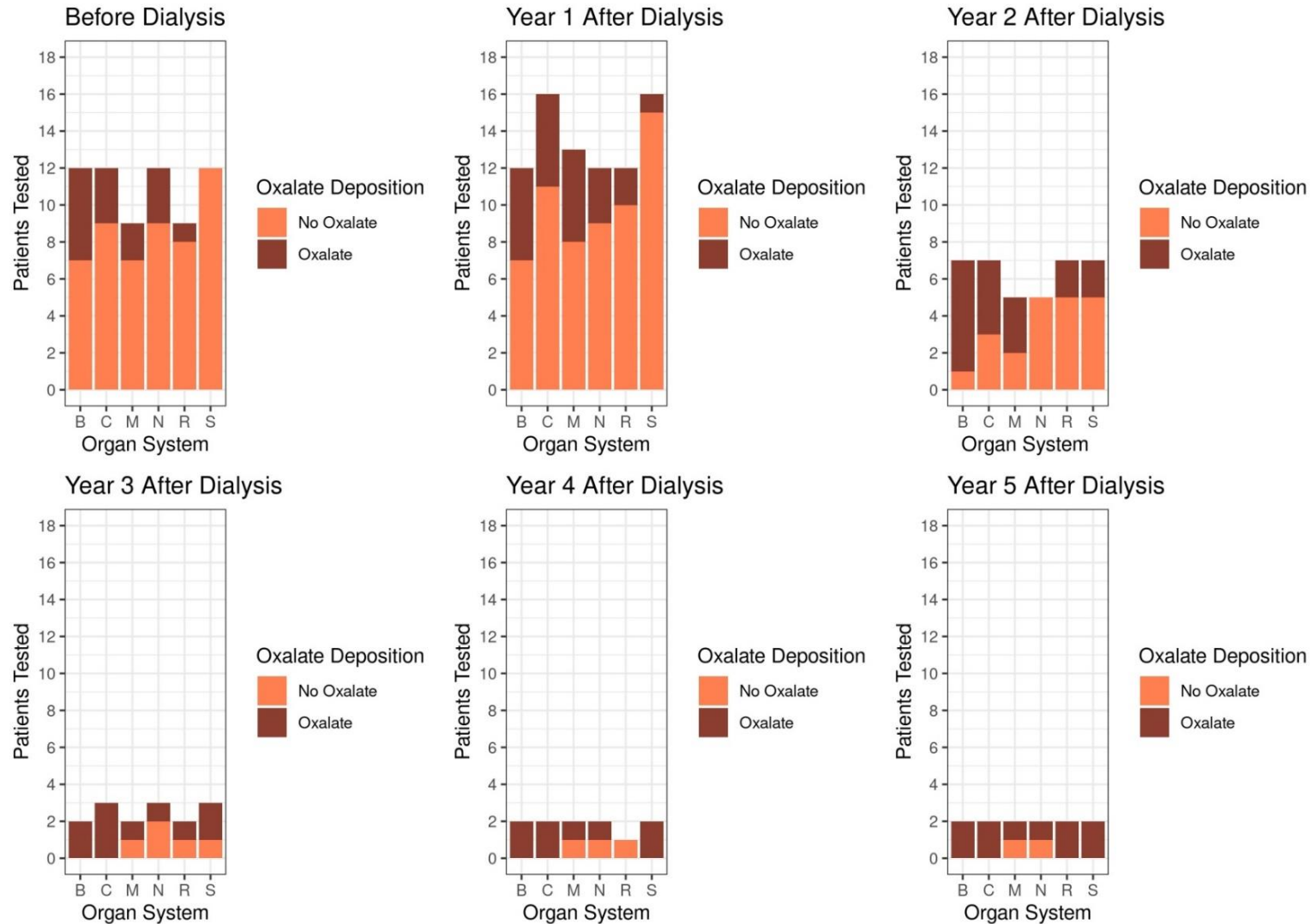




# Oxalosis over time on dialysis



Bone  
Cardiovascular  
Musculoskeletal  
Neuro  
Retina  
Skin



Organ System: B=Bone C=CardioVascular M=Musculoskeletal N=Neuro R=Retina S=Skin

# KHI Endpoints for Clinical Trials in Hyperoxaluria: Outcomes

- A group of candidate markers compiled for evaluation.
- Promising candidates underwent rigorous examination via detailed literature review
- Biomarkers/endpoints evaluated sequentially on biweekly calls
- **Several remained as viable candidates**
  - **Plasma oxalate**
  - **Urine oxalate**
  - **Change in eGFR**
  - **Stone events**
- Workgroups summarized reviews
- Compiled into a draft report
- Paper draft Back and forth with FDA: published 2020
- PH patient group building on white paper, sought experience of others re: patient/family risk tolerance for clinical trials, new therapies.



## End Points for Clinical Trials in Primary Hyperoxaluria

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### Abstract

Patients with primary hyperoxaluria experience kidney stones from a young age and can develop progressive oxalate nephropathy. Progression to kidney failure often develops over a number of years, and is associated with systemic oxalosis, intensive dialysis, and often combined kidney and liver transplantation. There are no therapies approved by the Food and Drug Association. Thus, the Kidney Health Initiative, in partnership with the Oxalosis and Hyperoxaluria Foundation, initiated a project to identify end points for clinical trials. A workgroup of physicians, scientists, patients with primary hyperoxaluria, industry, and United States regulators critically examined the published literature for clinical outcomes and potential surrogate end points that could be used to evaluate new treatments. Kidney stones, change in eGFR, urine oxalate, and plasma oxalate were the strongest candidate end points. Kidney stones affect how patients with primary hyperoxaluria feel and function, but standards for measurement and monitoring are lacking. Primary hyperoxaluria registry data suggest that eGFR decline in most patients is gradual, but can be unpredictable. Epidemiologic data show a strong relationship between urine oxalate and long-term kidney function loss. Urine oxalate is reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit, due to its causal role in stone formation and kidney damage in CKD stages 1–3a, and plasma oxalate is likely associated with risk of systemic oxalosis in CKD 3b–5. Change in slope of eGFR could be considered the equivalent of a clinically meaningful end point in support of traditional approval. A substantial change in urine oxalate as a surrogate end point could support traditional approval in patients with primary hyperoxaluria type 1 and CKD stages 1–3a. A substantial change in markedly elevated plasma oxalate could support accelerated approval in patients with primary hyperoxaluria and CKD stages 3b–5. Primary hyperoxaluria type 1 accounts for the preponderance of available data, thus heavily influences the conclusions. Addressing gaps in data will further facilitate testing of promising new treatments, accelerating improved outcomes for patients with primary hyperoxaluria.

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## Primary Hyperoxaluria The Patient and Caregiver Perspective

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### Introduction

Living with primary hyperoxaluria—a rare genetic disease with excess oxalate production leading to frequent kidney stones, kidney impairment, and oxalosis—presents many challenges to patients, caregivers, and their families. Although the progression and severity of primary hyperoxaluria is variable, care for any child or adult with primary hyperoxaluria is an unusual strain to the family due to intensity of required medical care and associated financial hardship. To identify the concerns of the primary hyperoxaluria community, multiple in-person meetings were con-

experience interruptions in school and work, and loss of sleep.

“It is a daily challenge to make sure our son is drinking constantly throughout the day. He visits the school nurse every day who gives him one of his four daily doses of medication through his (gastrostomy) mickey button. As a 12-year-old, he misses sleepovers, sleep away camp, and overnight school trips.”

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## End Points for Clinical Trials in Hyperoxaluria: Case Study of Patient-Focused Drug Development in a Rare Disease

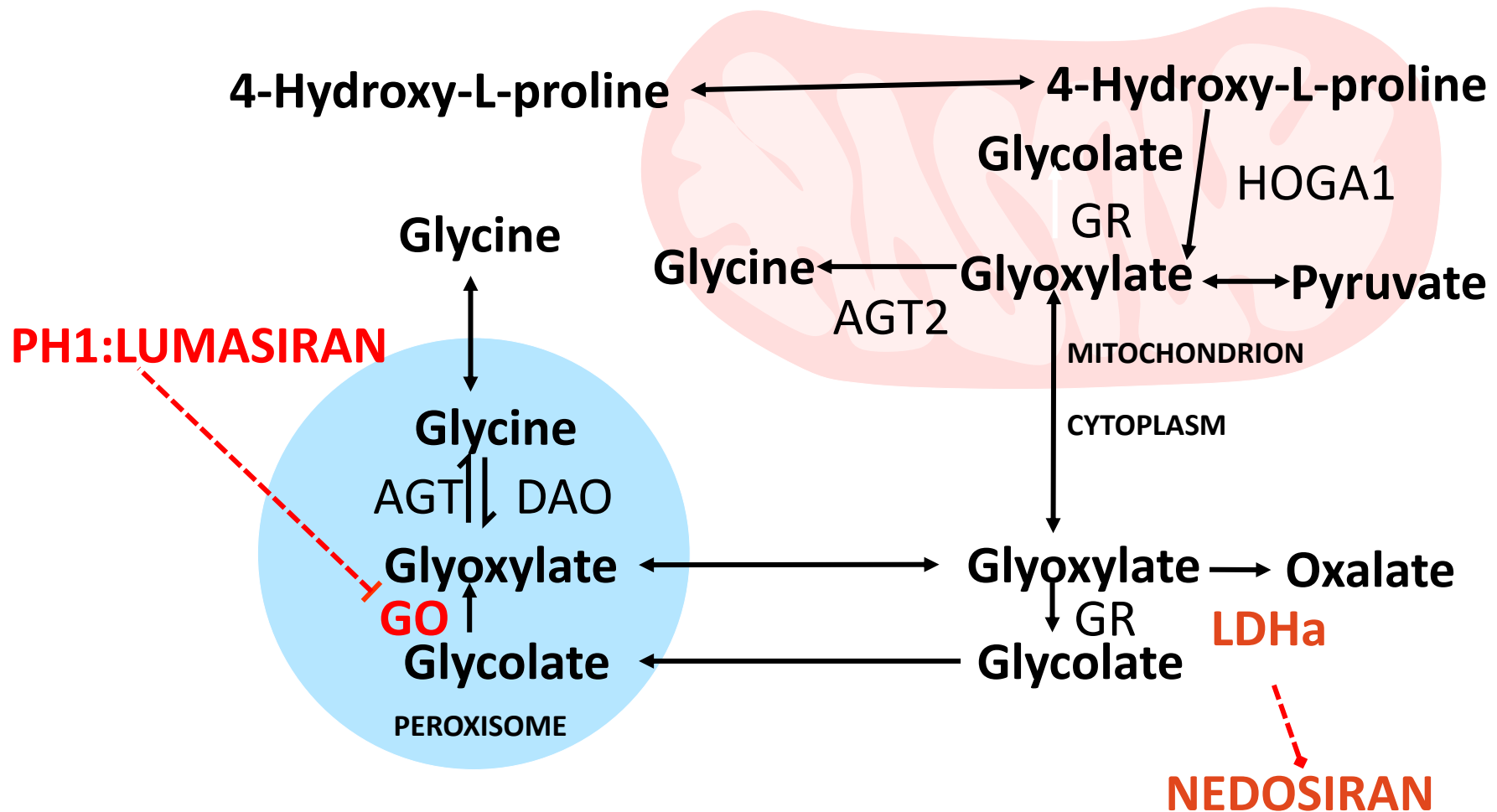


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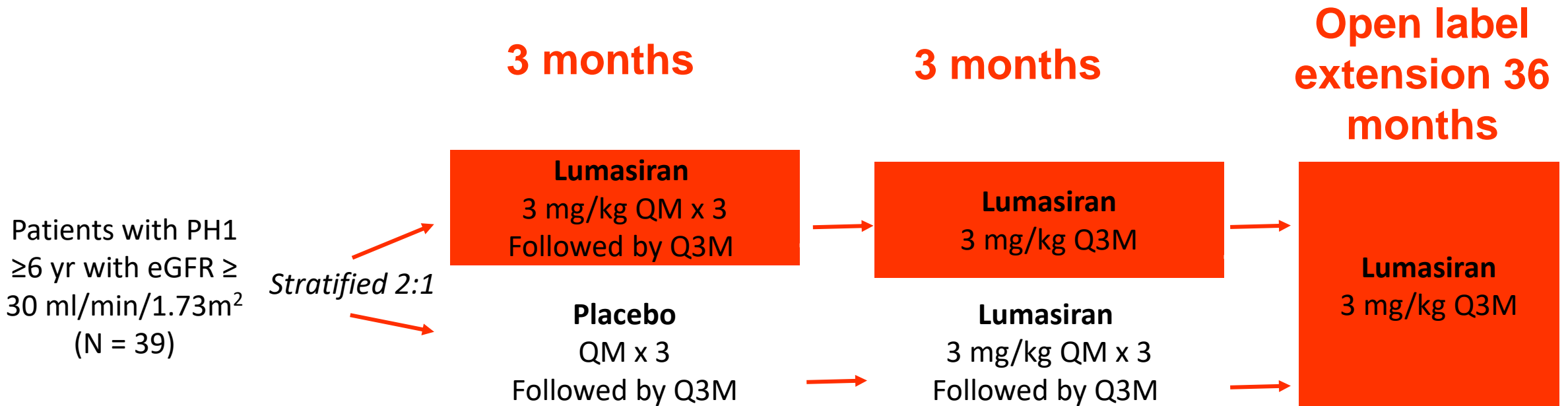
# siRNA Place in PH1 Therapy





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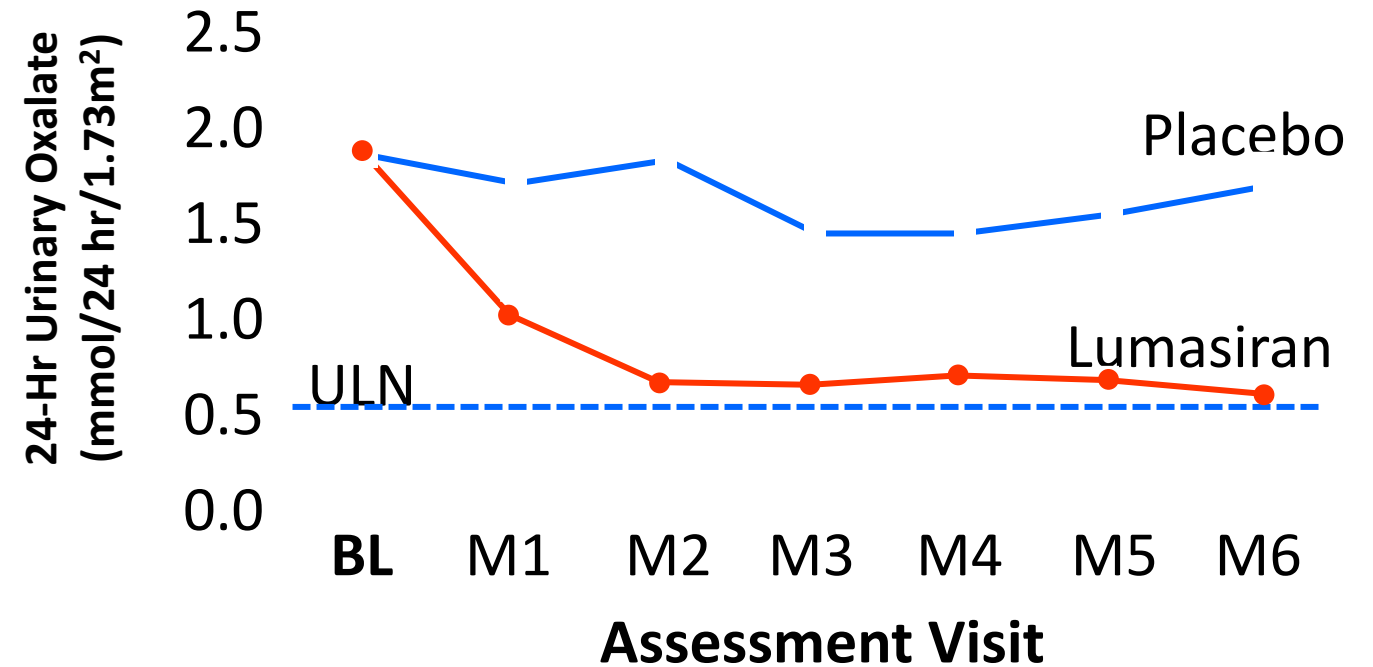
- Ongoing, phase III trial of subcutaneous lumasiran (small interfering RNA (siRNA silences *HAO1* gene encoding glycolate oxidase)



# ILLUMINATE A

- Mean reduction in urinary oxalate excretion: 65% lumasiran vs 11% placebo ( $P < .001$ ) at 6-mo primary analysis period
- Only transient injection-site reactions reported
- **Approved as an Orphan drug 11/2020!**

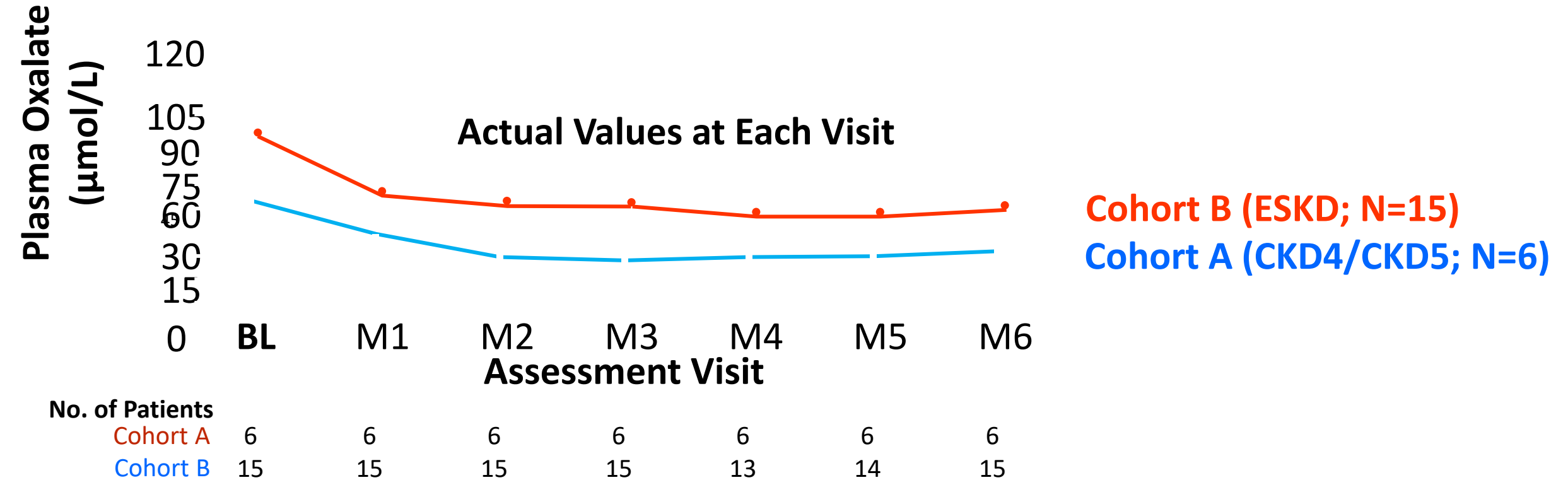
24-Hour Urinary Oxalate Excretion over Time



**No. of Patients**

Placebo	13	13	12	13	13	13	13
Lumasiran	26	24	26	24	23	25	25

# ILLUMINATE C (CKD)





# Nedosiran

- **Nedosiran: GalNAc-conjugated RNAi treatment that targets hepatic lactate dehydrogenase (LDHa)**
- **RNAi therapy approved for PH; PHYOX program**
  - **PHYOX1** and **PHYOX2**: completed
  - **PHYOX3**: ongoing; extension trial of **PHYOX2** in all types of PH
  - **PHYOX4**: ongoing; phase 1, single dose study in PH3
  - **PHYOX7**: ongoing; safety and efficacy in PH1 or PH2 with severe renal impairment with or without dialysis
  - **PHYOX8**: ongoing; safety, pharmacokinetics, and efficacy in children 0-5 yr with PH and intact kidney function
  - **PHYOX-OBX**: ongoing; natural history in PH3
- **Approval in US for PH1 in late 2023!**

# PHYOX2 Results

**PHYOX2 Met Primary Endpoint Achieving a Significant Reduction in Uox**

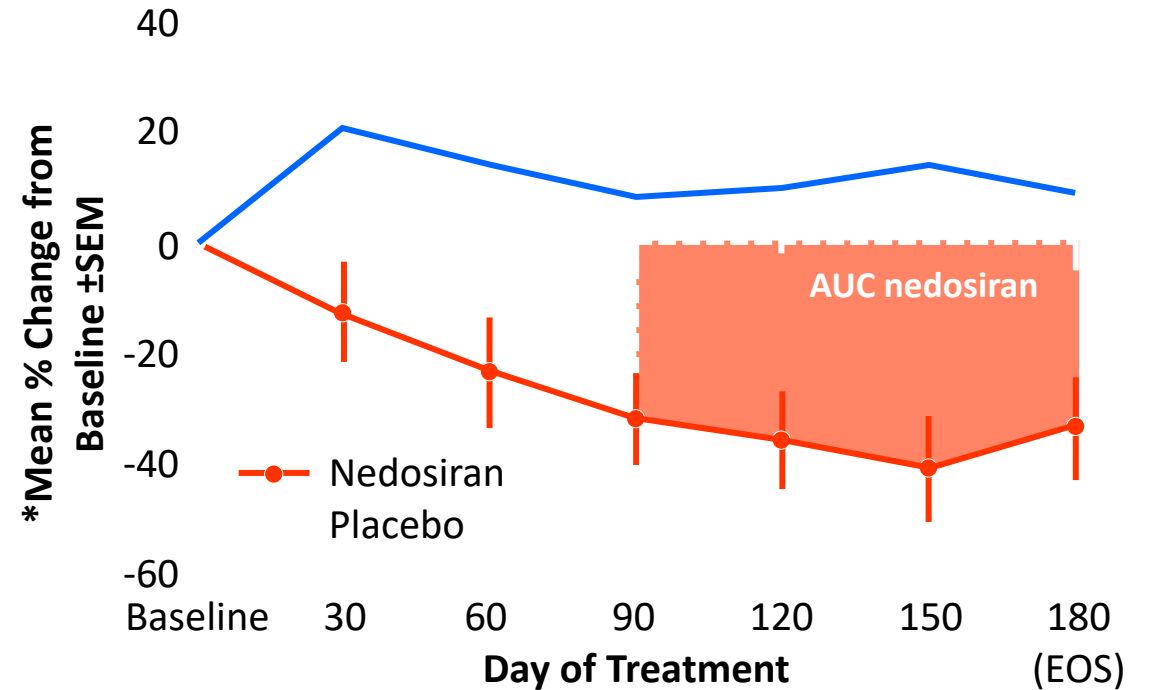
*Mean AUC<sub>24-hour Uox</sub> (day 90 to day 180)*

## Overall mITT Population<sup>1</sup> (PH1 + PH2)

Standardized AUC <sub>24-hour Uox</sub> from Day 90 to Day	<b>Nedosiran (n = 22)</b>	Placebo (n = 12)
n	22	12
LS Mean (SE)	3507.4 (788.49)	-1664.4 (1189.96)
95% CI for LS Mean	(1961.7, 5053.1)	(-3997.2, 668.4)
LS Mean Difference from Placebo (SE)	5171.7 (1144.07)	
95% CI for Difference from Placebo	(2929.3, 7414.2)	
P-value for Difference from Placebo (2)	<b>&lt;.0001</b>	

(1) mITT population = All participants in the ITT population who have at least one efficacy assessment after the Day 90 dosing visit.

(2) P-value for testing difference from placebo



\*LS means from MMRM model using time point estimates

\*\*Multiple imputation (MI) under the missing at random (MAR) assumption was used to handle missing 24-hr Uox data

# Endpoints for Clinical Trials in Hyperoxaluria: PH Progress to Date

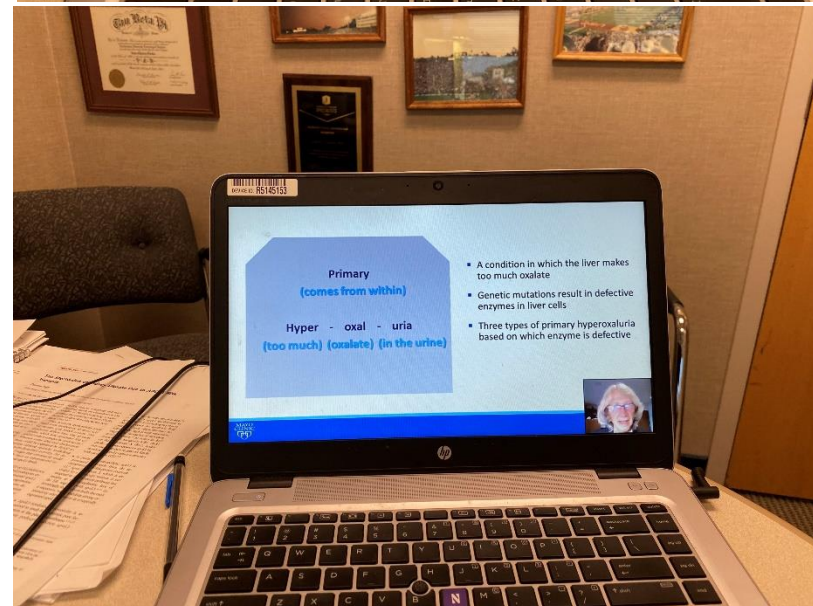
## THE VOICE OF THE PATIENT REPORT: PRIMARY HYPEROXALURIA

A Report on the Externally Led Patient-Focused  
Drug Development Meeting Corresponding to FDA's  
Patient-Focused Drug Development Initiative

**Externally Led Public Meeting: October 5, 2020**  
**Report Date:**

Hosted by: The Oxalosis & Hyperoxaluria Foundation

Submitted to:  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) &  
Center for Biologic Evaluation and Research (CBER)  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)



# Quality of Life

## Collaboration with Dicerna/ Novo Nordisc

- Survey Tools
  - **PH survey** adapted from our Voice of the Patient meeting
  - **The Wisconsin StoneQOL (WisQOL)**
    - The Wisconsin StoneQOL underwent reliability and validity testing in 248 stone formers and demonstrated good internal consistency.
    - This instrument is currently undergoing further testing in a large multicenter trial.
    - Wisconsin StoneQOL scores are expressed on a scale between 0 and 100, with a higher number indicating a better QoL.
  - **Work Productivity and Activity Impairment Questionnaire (WPAI)**
- Administered electronically via REDCAP
- Promoted in OHF sponsored Webinar

# Recent PH-related health event

	Living with PH	Parent or caregiver
<b>Kidney stone</b>	14	8
<b>Decreased Kidney function</b>	6	5
<b>Failure to thrive</b>	0	3
<b>Hematuria</b>	3	4
<b>UTI</b>	3	3
<b>Fatigue</b>	5	5
<b>Bone fractures</b>	0	1
<b>Bodily pain</b>	9	7
<b>Nausea or vomiting</b>	2	6
<b>Chills/fever</b>	1	2
<b>Heart or eye problems</b>	0	1
<b>Anxiety or depression</b>	11	8

# What outcomes are most meaningful

	Living with PH	Parent or caregiver
Slowing formation of stones	10	7
<b>Stopping formation of stones</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
Regaining energy	5	0
Lessening pain	2	0
Improving kidney function	6	5
<b>Decreasing need for superhydration</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>
Decreasing UTIs	1	0
<b>Stopping disease progression</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>
Eat what I want	4	1

# PH treatment landscape

- **Lumasiran (GO) and Nedosiran (LHDa) seem equally effective for PH1**
  - Unclear why an LDHa approach did not initially work for PH2 or PH3
    - ?Dosing
    - ?pathway nuances
    - ? Genotype: phenotype
- **Other approaches under consideration**
  - Gene therapy
  - Small molecule
  - Multiple targets at once
- **Use of siRNA may allow kidney alone transplant in kidney failure (without liver transplant)**
- **Registries still essential to answer these questions; develop long term outcomes**



# Conclusions

- **KHI project has worked as envisioned**
  - Stakeholder identified and engaged
  - ASN staff were instrumental for organizing the group, identifying next steps
  - Robust FDA involvement along the way
- **Project was “ripe” for this process**
  - Strong industry pipeline
  - Pressing need for consensus regarding trial designs for this rare disease population since standard double blind trials with hard endpoints may not be feasible or timely
- **Pooling data in retrospective registries was crucial to understand this monogenic disease**
  - define natural history and disease surrogates
  - Attract industry and technology
  - Support regulatory approval
- **In 2024 there are 2 approved therapies for the devastating disease PH1!**

# Hard work towards newer treatments







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# Case Example Reactor Panel

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# Thank You!



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# Leveraging Natural History Data for Rare Disease Drug Development and Approval: Demonstrated Increased Survival in MoCD Type A Patients Treated With Fosdenopterin

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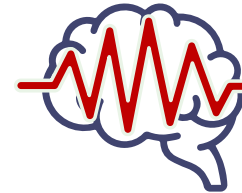




# Molybdenum Cofactor Deficiency (MoCD) Type A

- Rare, autosomal-recessive in-born error of metabolism caused by pathogenic variants in the *MOCS1* gene<sup>1,2</sup>
- Rapidly progressive, irreversible neurologic damage due to loss of the MoCo-dependent enzyme sulfite oxidase, resulting in neurotoxic sulfite accumulation<sup>1,3</sup>
- Patients rarely survive beyond the first few years of life<sup>1</sup>
- Early diagnosis is crucial<sup>4</sup>
- Biomarkers<sup>1,4</sup>
  - Decreasing, low, or undetectable plasma or urinary uric acid
  - Increased plasma and urine xanthine/hypoxanthine
  - Increased urinary sulfites
  - Increased SSC in the plasma and urine

**Signs and symptoms often present in the first hours to weeks of life<sup>1</sup>**



**Intractable Seizures**

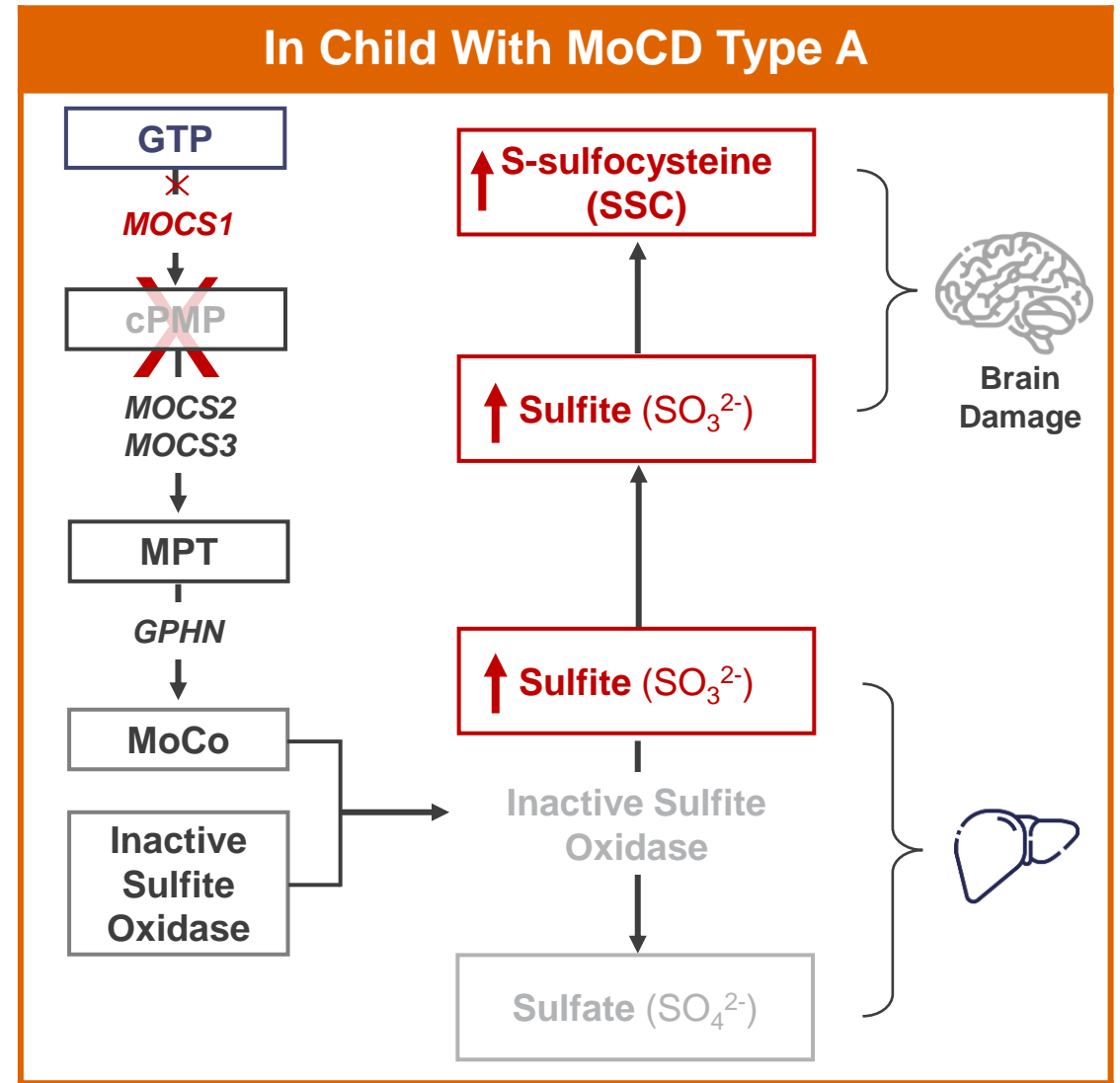
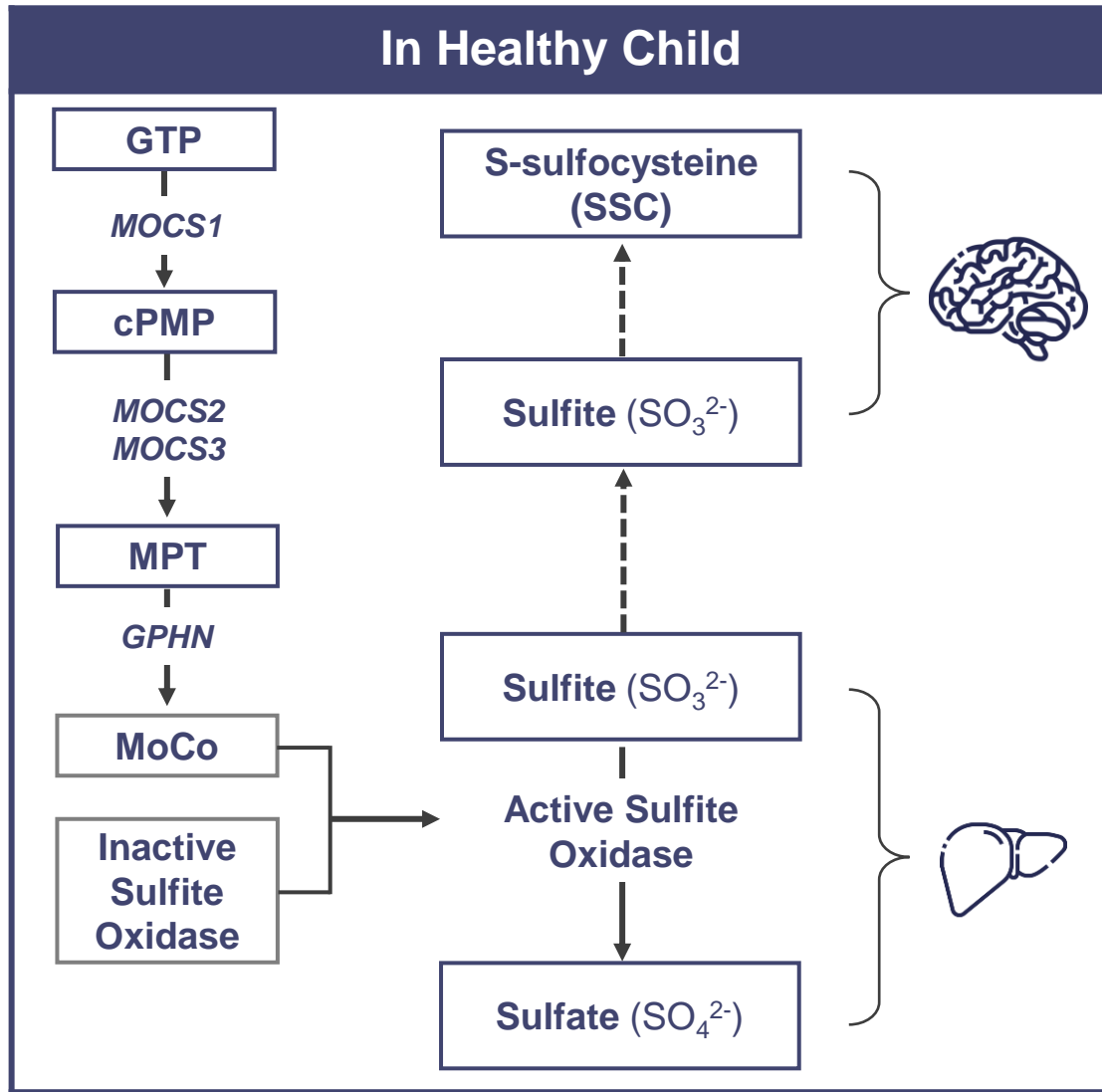
**Feeding Difficulties**



**Abnormal Neuro Examination**



# Biochemical Pathology of MoCD<sup>1-3</sup>



cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; GPHN, gephyrin; GTP, guanosine triphosphate; MoCD, molybdenum cofactor deficiency; MoCo, molybdenum cofactor; MOCS1/2/3, molybdenum cofactor synthesis 1/2/3; MPT, molybdopterin.

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# Epidemiology of MoCD: An Ultra-Rare Disease

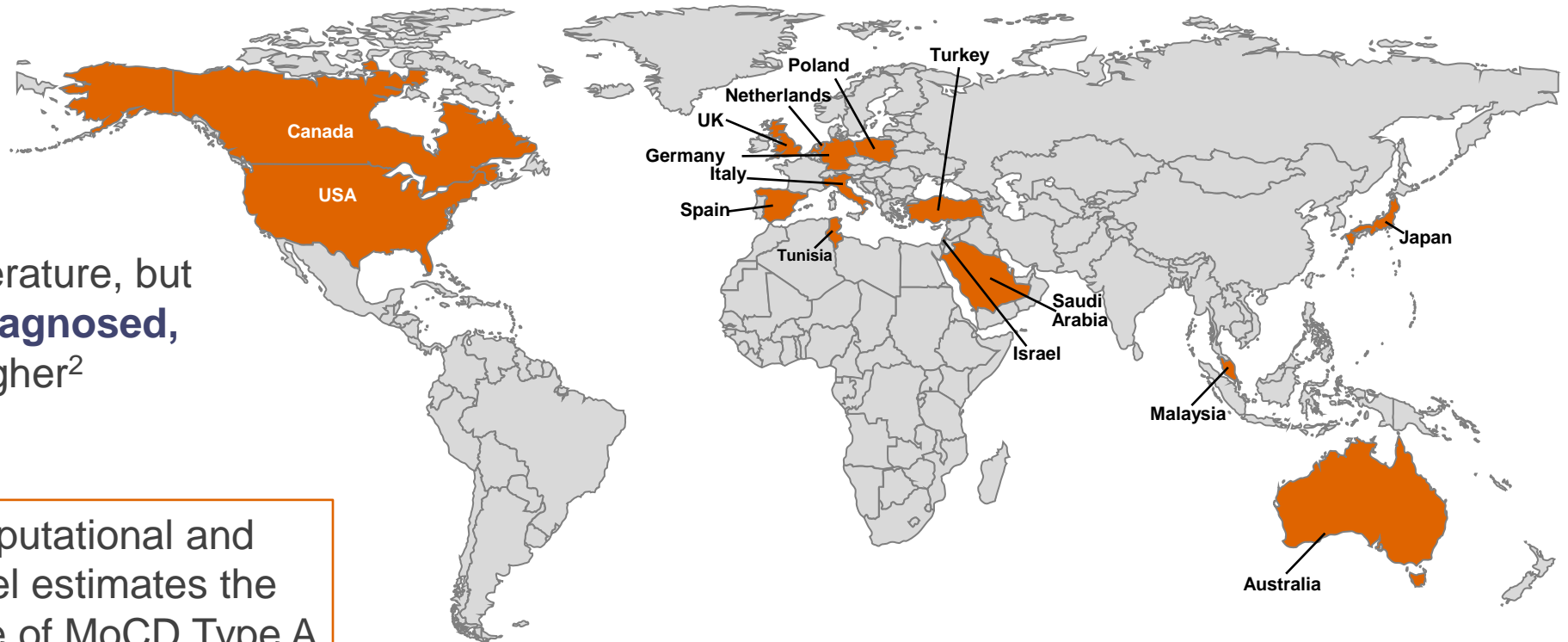
MoCD Occurs Worldwide, With “Hot Spots” in Multiple Countries<sup>1</sup>

MoCD is an **ultra-rare, pan-ethnic** disease

**>100**

cases reported in the literature, but **MoCD is likely underdiagnosed**, and numbers may be higher<sup>2</sup>

An iterative computational and biochemical model estimates the worldwide incidence of MoCD Type A is **1:342,000 to 411,000** births<sup>3</sup>



MoCD, molybdenum cofactor deficiency.

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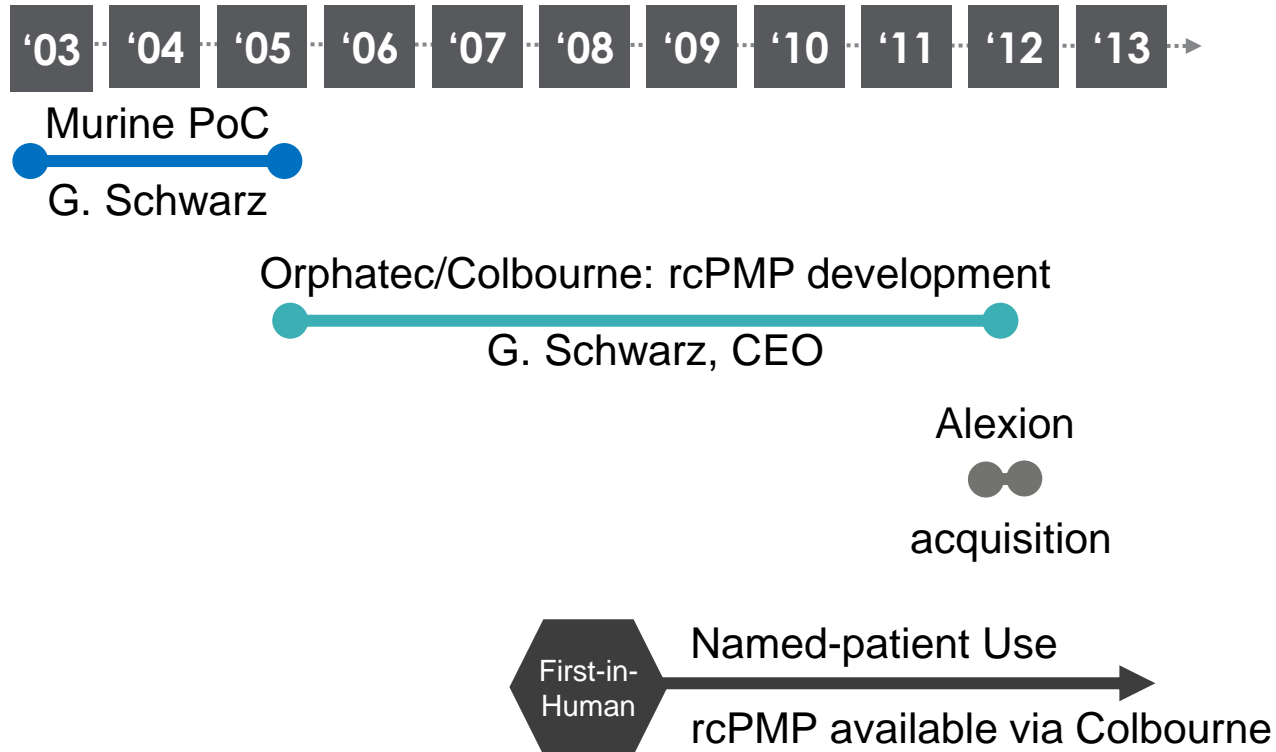
# cPMP Replacement Therapy | First-in-Human Experience

- Prof Guenter Schwarz in Cologne, Germany, discovers that **cPMP is produced as a natural chemical byproduct** by *Escherichia coli*
- Selects for **strains of *Escherichia coli*** to manufacture **recombinant form of cPMP**
- Dr Schwarz's lab **tests cPMP in *MOCS1*-knockout mouse model**, showing its potential as replacement therapy
- **First baby is treated** with recombinant cPMP and **shows rapid biochemical response in 2008**
- Colbourne Pharmaceuticals **begins named-patient program** with recombinant cPMP



Dr Guenter Schwarz

# First 10 Years of Recombinant cPMP Therapy



- **No approved treatments**; supportive care only
- **No patient advocacy group**
- 10 patients with MoCD Type A **treated with recombinant cPMP** gave consent for retrospective data
- Named-patient use, with **each dose prepared by fermentation** in the lab
- **Unethical to initiate a randomized, placebo-controlled trial** in patients with an ultra-rare and fatal disease



# Natural History Study Design (MCD-502)

Multinational, multicenter, retrospective, and prospective study in patients with MoCD or isolated SOX deficiency

## Primary Objective

- ✓ To characterize the natural history of patients with MoCD by
  - Documenting the natural progression of the disease
  - Developing a more complete understanding of the phenotype
  - Describing the clinical and biochemical variability of the condition



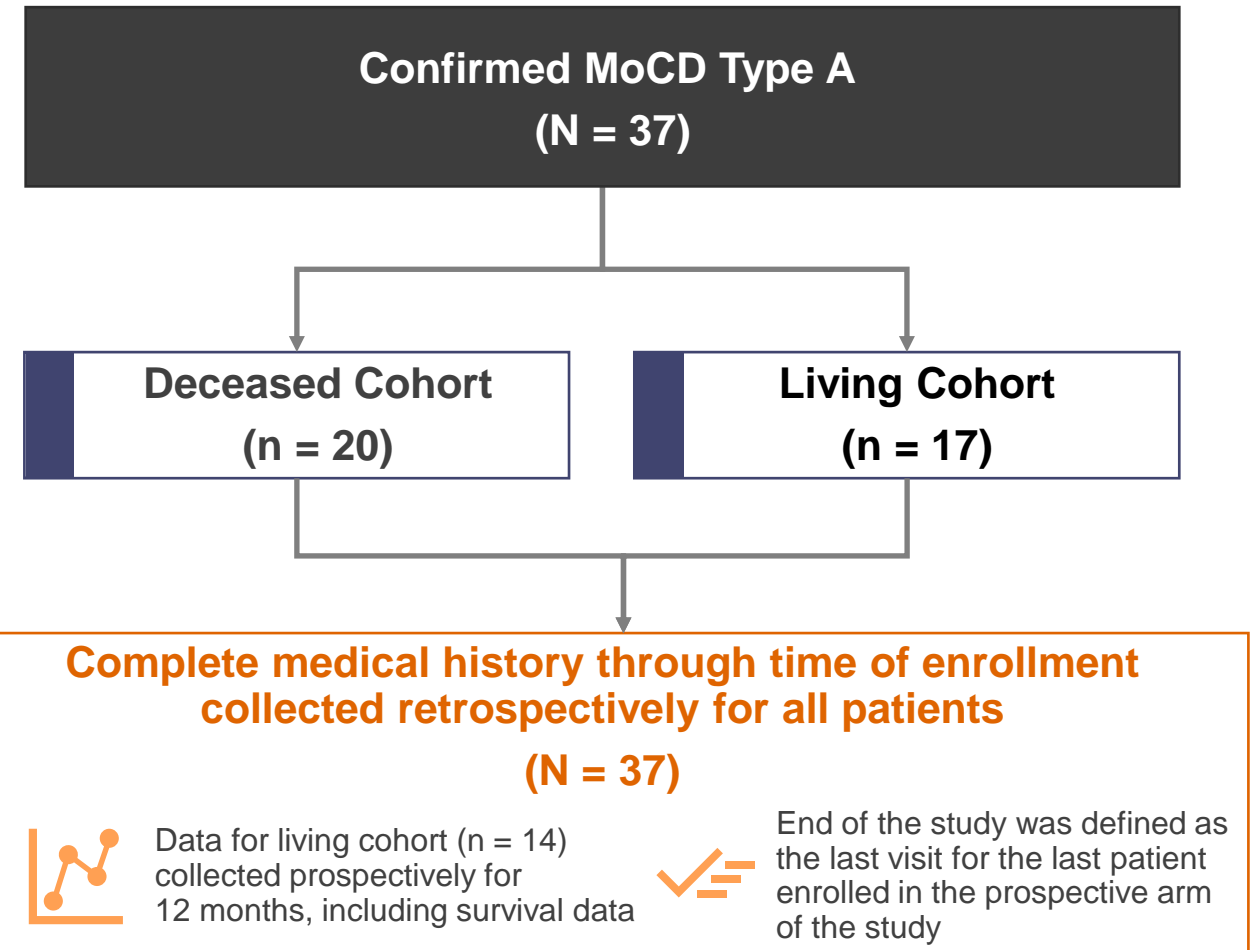
## Inclusion Criteria

- ✓ MoCD or isolated SOX deficiency
  - Clinical and biochemical diagnosis
    - Elevated SSC levels in urine, serum, or plasma
    - Positive urine sulfite dipstick



OR

- ✓ Genetic diagnosis



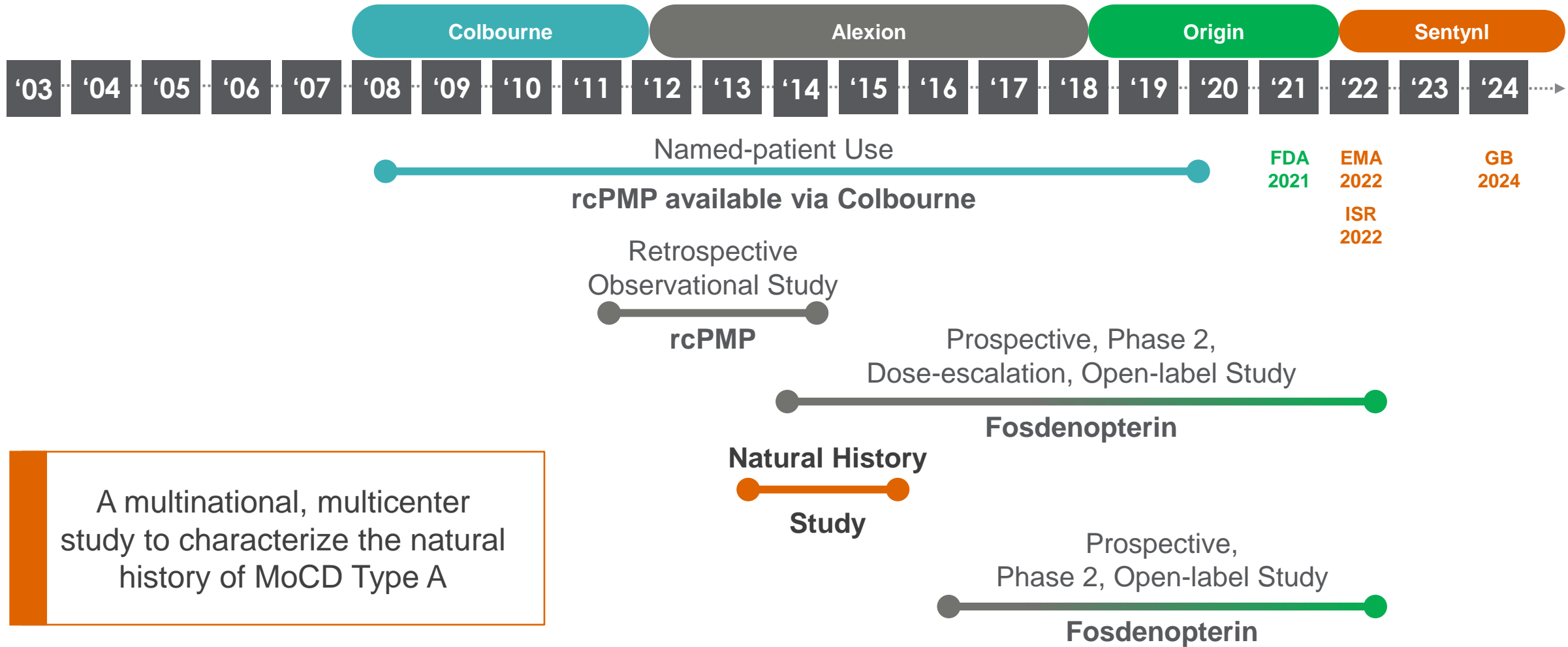


# Natural History Data as a Surrogate Placebo Group





# Clinical Development of Fosdenopterin (cPMP)



A multinational, multicenter study to characterize the natural history of MoCD Type A

cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; MoCD, molybdenum cofactor deficiency; rcPMP, recombinant cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate.

# cPMP Clinical Development Program: Using Natural History Data

## Objectives

- Summarize clinical efficacy of cPMP (inclusive of both recombinant cPMP and fosdenopterin)
  - Retrospective, observational study (MCD-501)
  - Phase 2, open-label, dose-escalation study (MCD-201)
  - Phase 2/3 open-label study (MCD-202)
- Interpret the response to cPMP in patients with MoCD Type A
- Compare the survival rate of children with MoCD Type A treated with cPMP replacement therapy with the survival rate of untreated patients with MoCD Type A from a natural history study

## Key Variables Assessed in the Clinical Studies



Baseline characteristics



Growth parameters



Overall survival



GMFCS-ER



Biomarkers



Seizures



Feeding patterns



Neurologic examinations



Developmental assessments



# Full Analysis Set

Patients with MoCD Type A treated with cPMP replacement therapy (recombinant cPMP and/or fosdenopterin) from 1 retrospective, observational study and 2 prospective, open-label, single-arm studies (N = 13)

**VS**

Patients with MoCD Type A who were enrolled in a multinational, multicenter, retrospective/prospective natural history study (N = 37)



# Patient Demographics

Characteristics, n (%)	cPMP-Treated Patients (N = 13)	Untreated Controls (N = 37)
Male	7 (53.8)	28 (75.7)
Female	6 (46.2)	9 (24.3)
Region of birth		
North America	2 (15.4)	3 (8.1)
Europe	6 (46.2)	14 (37.8)
Rest of world	5 (38.5)	20 (54.1)
Age of first MoCD symptom category		
≤ 28 days	13 (100)	33 (89.2)
> 28 days	0	4 (10.8)

# MoCD Presenting Signs and Symptoms

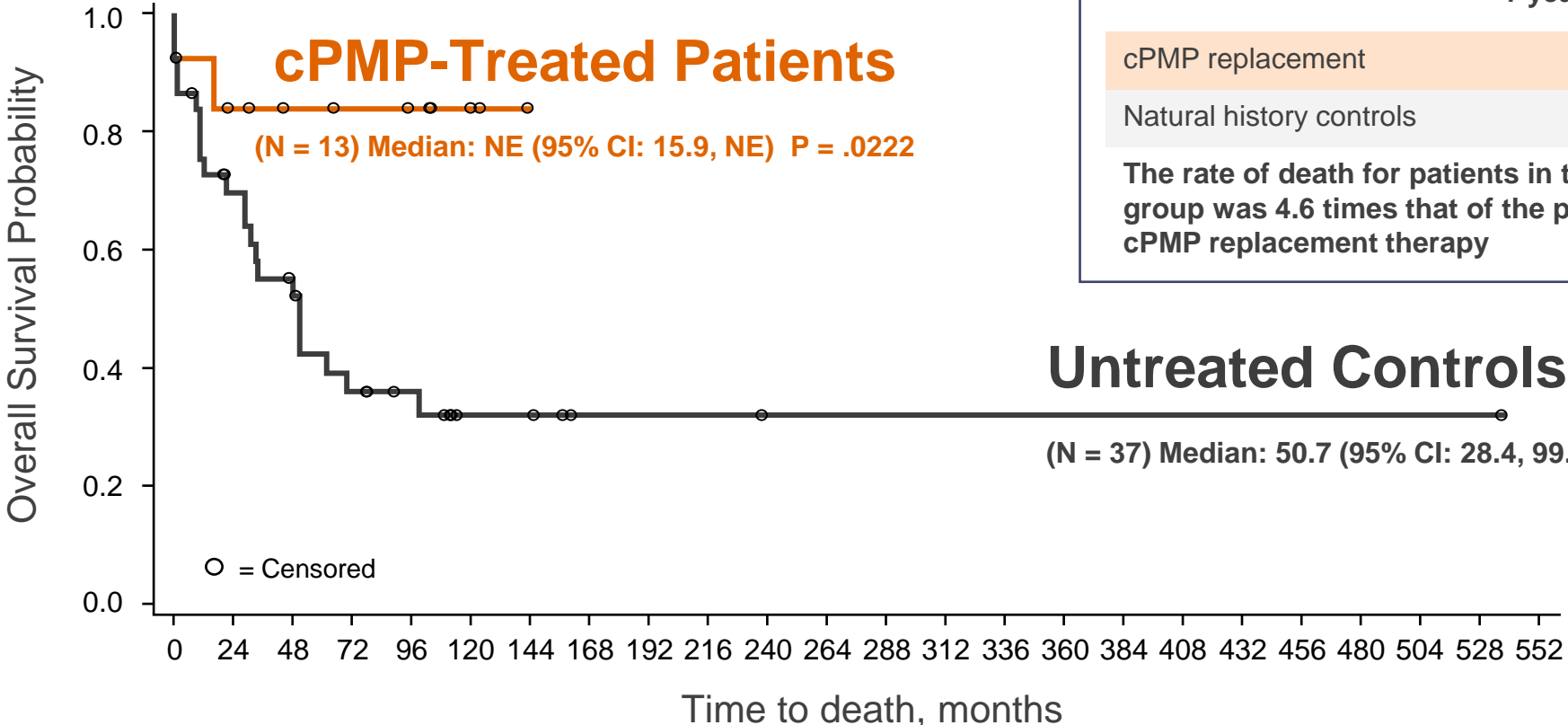
Parameters, n (%)	cPMP-Treated Patients (N = 13)	Untreated Controls (N = 37)
Seizures	9 (69.2)	34 (91.9)
Feeding difficulties	8 (61.5)	31 (83.8)
High-pitched cry	7 (53.8)	16 (43.2)
Exaggerated startle response	5 (38.5)	12 (32.4)
Number of reported other symptoms <sup>a</sup>	21	20

cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; MoCD, molybdenum cofactor deficiency.

<sup>a</sup>Other signs and symptoms included but were not limited to metabolic acidosis, hypertonia, hypotonia, encephalopathy, intracranial hemorrhage.



# cPMP Replacement Therapy Improves Overall Survival



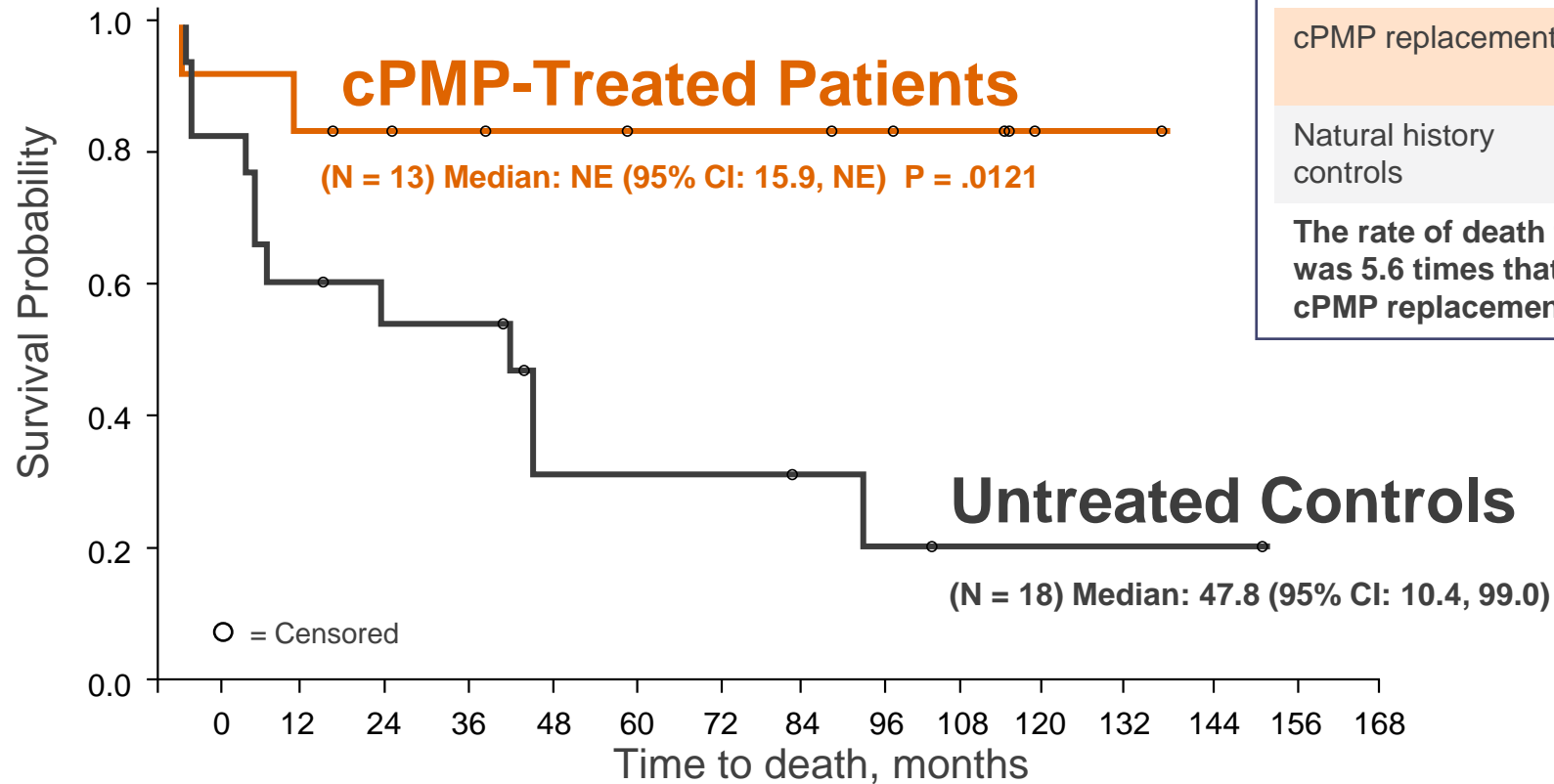
	1-year Survival	2-year Survival
cPMP replacement	92%	84%
Natural history controls	75%	70%

The rate of death for patients in the untreated control group was 4.6 times that of the patients who received cPMP replacement therapy

cPMP/rcPMP    13 11 9 8 7 7 6 6 5 4 3 1 0  
 Not Treated    37 27 24 19 17 13 11 10 9 8 5 5 5 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 0

cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; NE, not evaluable; rcPMP, recombinant cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate.

# cPMP Replacement Therapy Improved Overall Survival: Genotype-Matched Controls



	1-year Survival	2-year Survival	3-year Survival
cPMP replacement	92%	84%	84%
Natural history controls	67%	61%	55%

The rate of death for patients in the untreated control group was 5.6 times that of the patients who received cPMP replacement therapy

cPMP/rcPMP	13	11	9	8	7	7	6	6	5	4	3	1	0		
Not Treated	18	12	10	9	7	4	4	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	0

cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; NE, not evaluable; rcPMP, recombinant cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate.



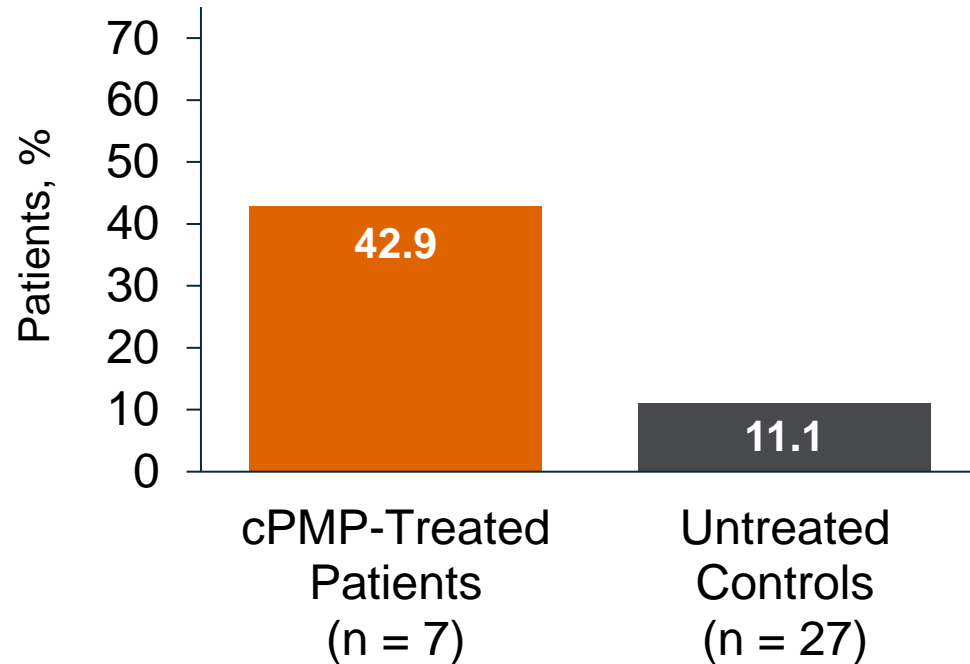
# Urine SSC Levels in cPMP-treated Patients vs Controls

<b>S-sulfocysteine/creatinine, μmol/mmol</b>	<b>cPMP-Treated Patients (N = 12)</b>	<b>Untreated Controls (N = 37)</b>
Baseline, first value, n	12	22
Mean (SD)	181.1 (282.53)	136.3 (87.21)
Last visit, n	12	22
Mean (SD)	11.4 (6.87)	156.6 (100.70)
Change to last visit, n	12	18
Mean (SD)	-169.6 (282.44)	24.8 (104.61)

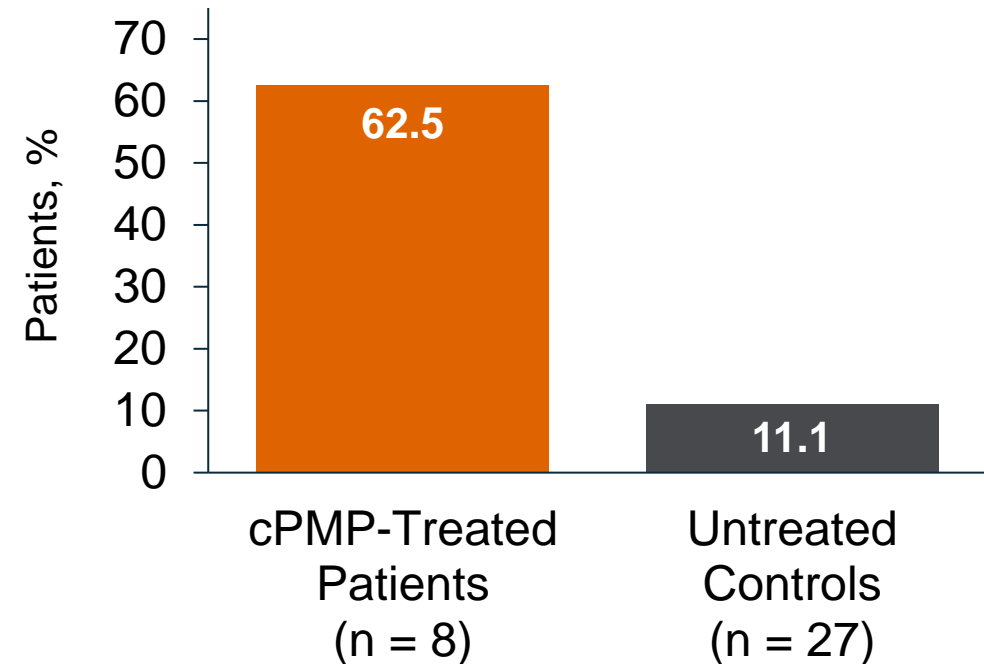
**Pathological values of S-sulfocysteine are > 50 μmol/mmol creatinine**

# Sitting Unassisted in cPMP-Treated Patients vs Controls

## Unassisted Sitting by 12 Months<sup>a</sup>



## Unassisted Sitting at Any Time<sup>a</sup>

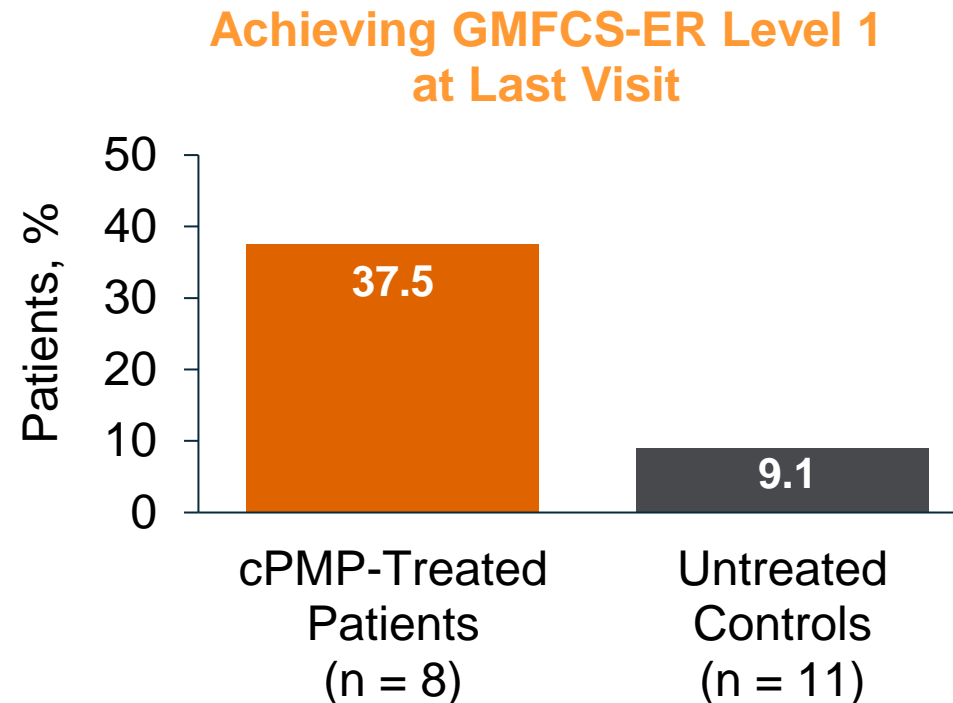
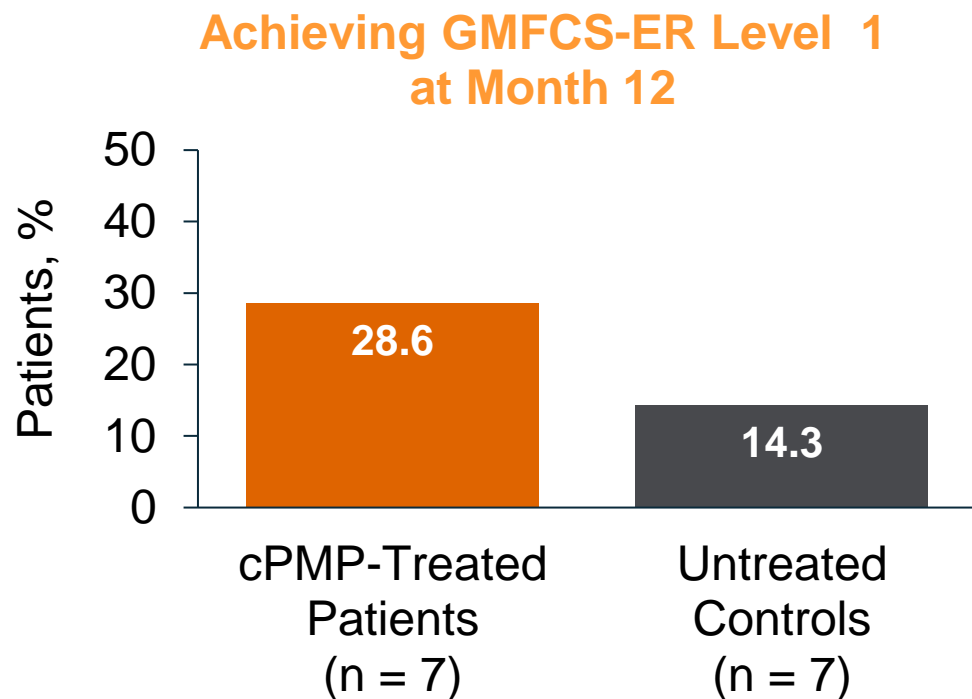


cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate.

<sup>a</sup>Unassisted sitting was measured as ability to sit independently for 30 seconds.



# Achievement of GMFCS Level 1 in cPMP-Treated Patients vs Controls

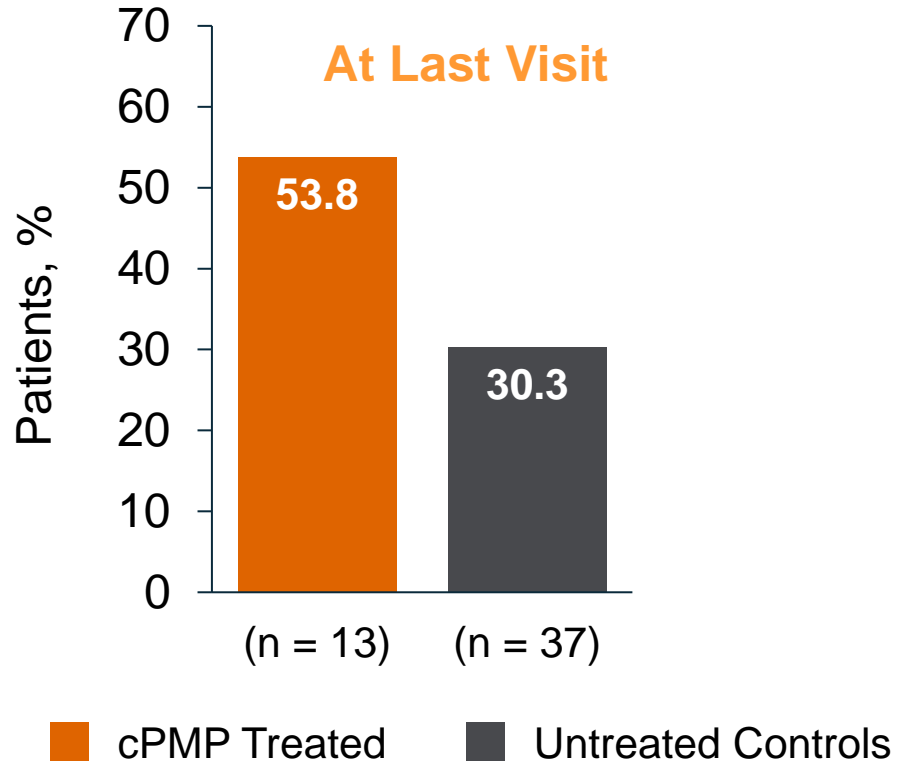


GMFCS-ER Level I represents the highest-rated functioning level on this scale. Children aged 2 and older who are rated as Level I are able to walk independently and, by age 6, can perform higher-level gross motor skills such as running, jumping, and stair climbing.

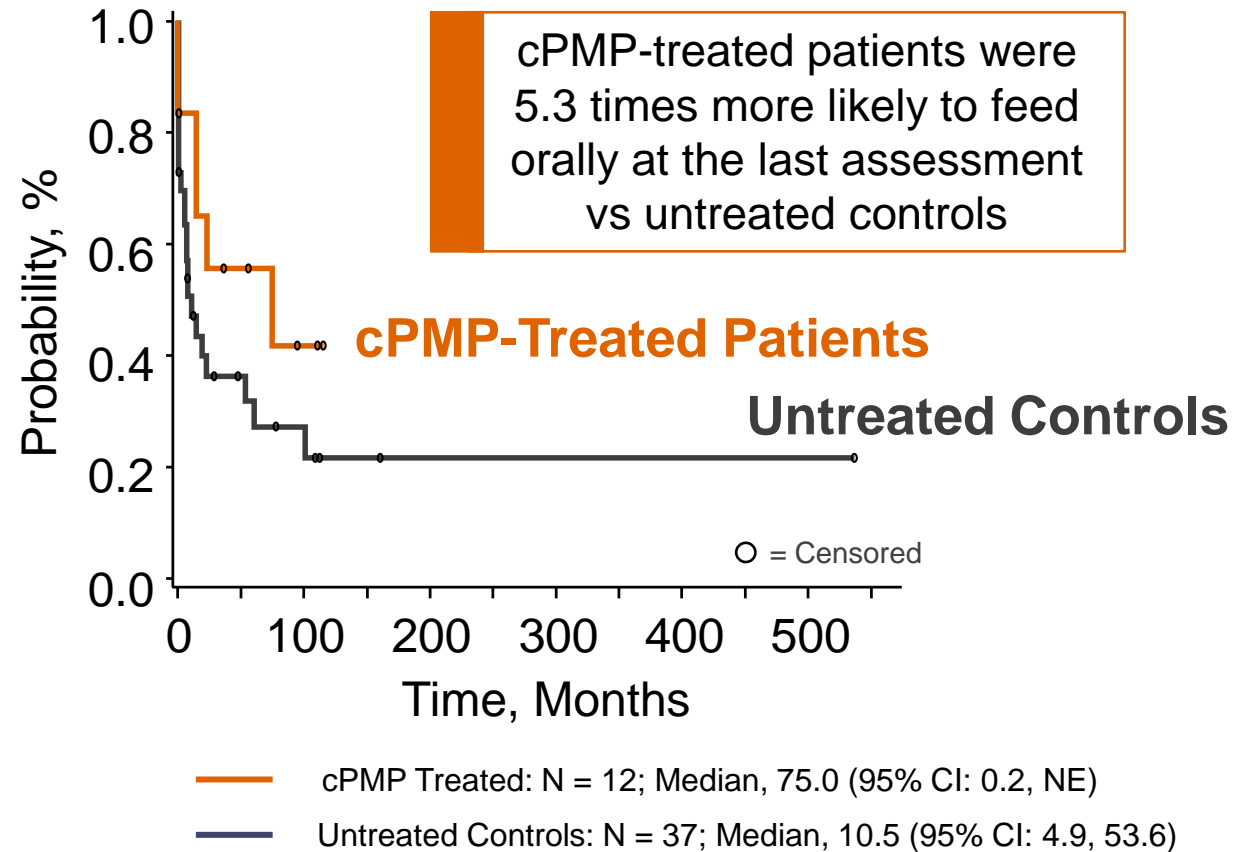


# Oral Feeding in cPMP-Treated Patients vs Controls

## Feeding Orally



## Time to Sustained Nonoral Feeding<sup>a</sup>



cPMP, cyclic pyranopterin monophosphate; NE = not estimable.

<sup>a</sup>Sustained nonoral feeding was defined as the time at which the patient never subsequently returned to an oral method of feeding



# Safety of cPMP

- Most treatment adverse events were mild to moderate, and not related to study drug
  - Most common side effects in fosdenopterin-treated patients were infusion catheter–related complications, pyrexia (fever), viral infection, pneumonia, otitis media (ear infection), vomiting, cough/sneezing, viral upper respiratory infection (common cold/flu-like infection), gastroenteritis (stomach flu-like symptoms), diarrhea, and bacteremia (bacteria in the blood)
  - Side effects for recombinant cPMP-treated patients were similar to the side effects among fosdenopterin-treated patients
- There were no discontinuations or dose modifications due to adverse events
- 2 deaths were noted in the retrospective data
  - 1 patient died due to necrotizing enterocolitis judged as possibly related to study drug
  - 1 patient died due to respiratory syncytial virus pneumonia unrelated to study treatment

## Potential for Photosensitivity

- cPMP (fosdenopterin) can make the patient oversensitive to sunlight
- Patients or their caregivers are advised to avoid or minimize patient exposure to sunlight and artificial UV light and adopt precautionary measures when exposed to the sun, including wearing protective clothing and sunglasses, and using broad-spectrum sunscreen with high SPF in patients 6 months of age and older
- If photosensitivity occurs, caregivers/patients are advised to seek medical attention immediately and consider a dermatological evaluation



# Conclusions Leading to the Approval of Fosdenopterin for MoCD Type A



Patients treated with cPMP had **improved overall survival** when compared with untreated historical controls



Patients treated with cPMP **demonstrated decreased urine SSC levels** when compared with untreated historical controls



Additional confirmatory evidence was **provided by the animal model** of MoCD Type A



cPMP (fosdenopterin) was **safe and well-tolerated**



# Natural History Studies

## Provide an opportunity to:

- Characterize ultra-rare and rare disorders
- Develop appropriate disease biomarkers
- Ethically study potentially life-saving treatments
- Facilitate the development of therapeutics in ultra-rare and rare disorders





# Thank You



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# Case Example: Lumasiran and Nedosiran for Primary Hyperoxaluria

## Presenter

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# Case Study: Use of registry data to define the natural history of primary hyperoxaluria

**FDA Symposium**  
**May 13, 2024**

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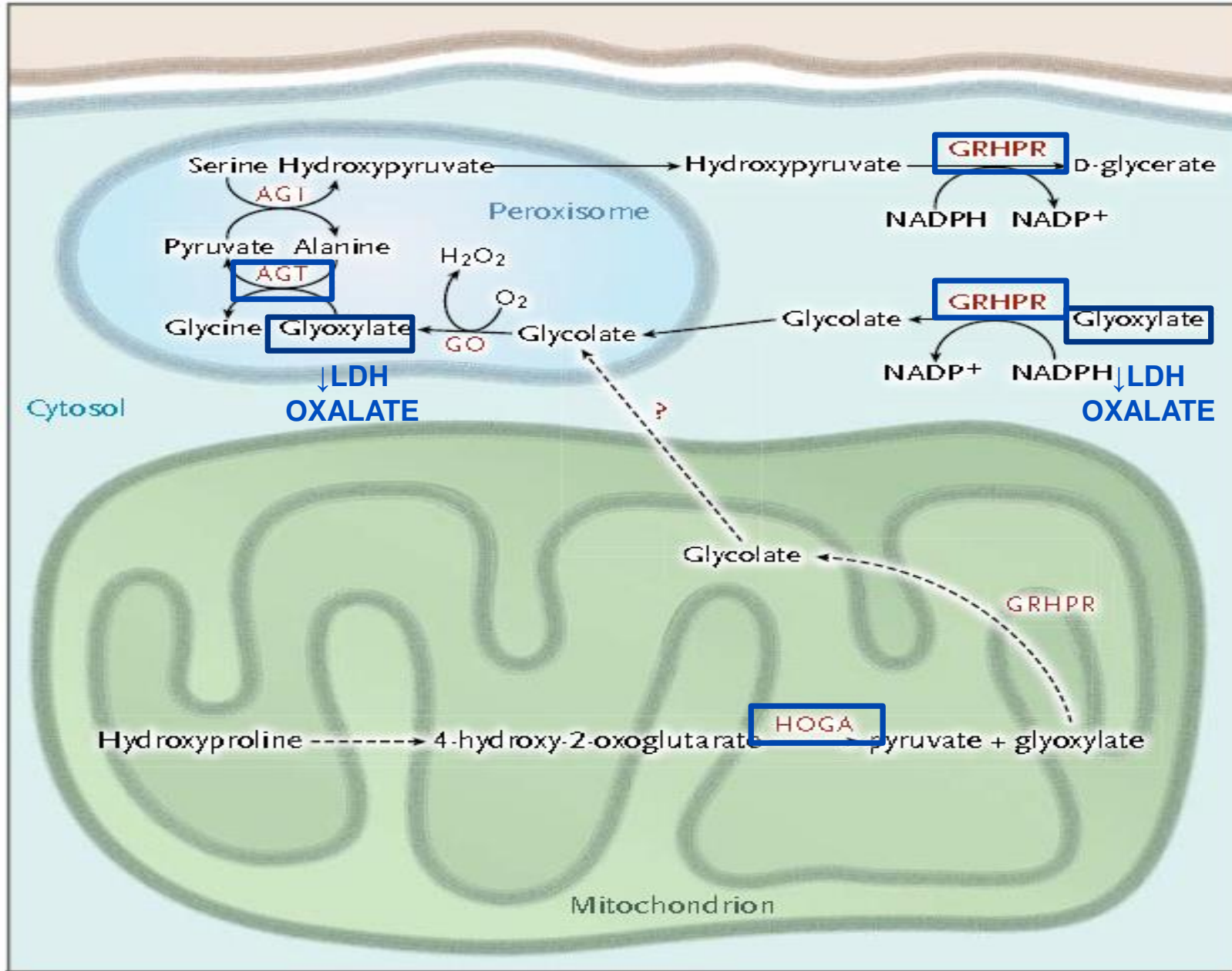
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# Outline

- Primary Hyperoxaluria
- Key Role of Patient Advocacy Group (PAG) and ASN to develop registry, disease background, and ultimately engage FDA under the auspices of the Kidney Health Initiative
- Key natural history features that informed treatment efficacy measures
- Ultimate outcome of efforts

# Primary Hyperoxaluria: Hepatic oxalate overproduction



## Gene mutation

PH type 1 (30%): *AGT*

PH type 2 (10%): *GRHPR*

PH type 3 (60%): *HOGA*

## Enzymes implicated

**PH 1 and PH2:**  
**Cytosolic LDH**  
**Glyoxalate → Oxalate**

**PH3: ??**

## Ancillary tests

**PH1: ↑ glycolate**

**PH2: ↑ glycerate**

**PH3: ↑ 4-hydroxyglutarate**



# Hyperoxaluria

High concentrations of oxalate in urine lead to stones, nephrocalcinosis, CKD, and kidney failure, and can result in systemic oxalosis causing multiorgan damage.

## Types of Hyperoxaluria

- Primary hyperoxaluria (PH) due to increased hepatic oxalate production caused by any of three known genetic defects in glyoxylate and hydroxyproline metabolism in the liver.

Rare disease: 1-3 per million population

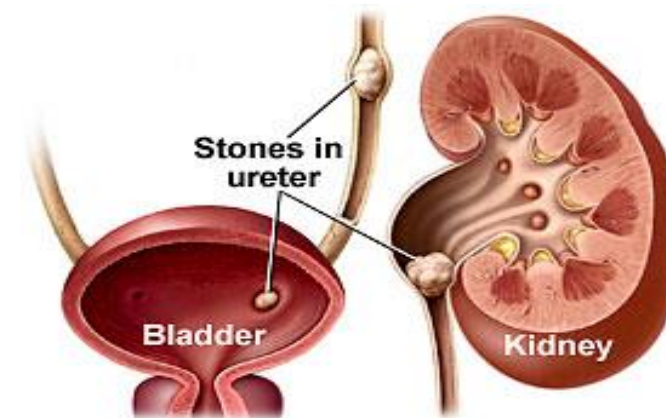
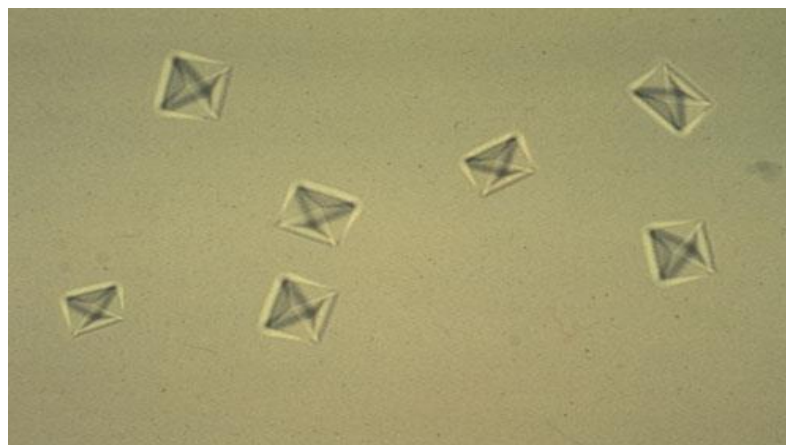
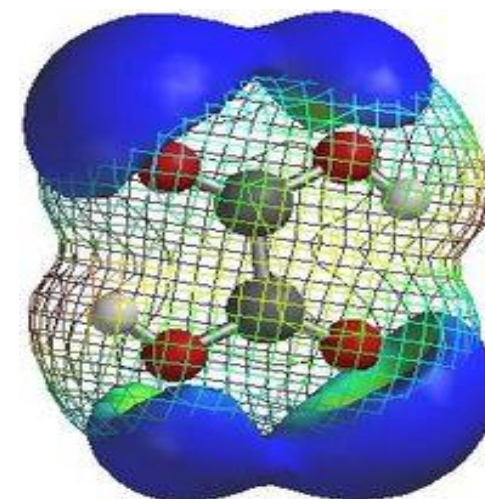
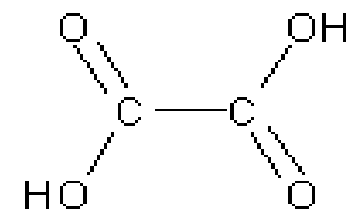
- Enteric hyperoxaluria (EH) caused by fat malabsorption which leads to high absorption of oxalate in small intestine.

Estimated to affect ~150,000 patients

# What is oxalate?






TABLE 3. Foods with high oxalate content

Food	Serving size	Oxalate (mg)
Rhubarb	1 cup	720-1032
Spinach	1 cup	570-675
Beetroot	1 cup	573
Swiss chard	1 cup	568
Pokeweed	1 cup	390
Cocoa powder	1 ounce	174
Okra	1 cup	117
Wheat germ	1 ounce	75
Tea (4 min infusion)	1 teaspoon	72
Green gooseberries	1 cup	66
Collards	1 cup	63
Crackers, soybean	1 ounce	58
Pecans	1 ounce	56
Peanuts	1 ounce	52
Grits, white corn	1 cup	50
Sweet potato	1 cup	34
Chocolate	1 ounce	33
Black raspberries	1 cup	32
Leek	1 cup	23
Celery	2 stalks (80 g)	16
Rutabaga	1 cup	16
Eggplant	1 cup	15
Summer squash	1 cup	14
Blackberries	1 cup	13
Green beans	1 cup	11
Blueberries	1 cup	11
Currants, red	1 cup	11
Dewberries	1 cup	10
Black pepper	1 tsp	8
Green pepper	1 cup	8



# Time machine travel to 2016

## Increasing possibility for clinical trials in oxalate-related diseases

- Alter gastrointestinal oxalate absorption and/or secretion
  - Manipulate the gastrointestinal microbiome 
  - Oral oxalate degrading enzymes 
- Inhibition or manipulation of hepatic enzyme pathways
  - siRNA 
    - Small molecules 
    - Chaperones 

# 2016 OHF Annual Scientific Advisory Board meeting

- **Primary and enteric hyperoxaluria are rare diseases**
  - Clinical trials with renal function, CKD, kidney failure, or kidney stones are not feasible
  - The FDA is increasingly receptive to alternatives to these hard clinical endpoints, as long as well-justified
    - Duchenne muscular dystrophy is one example
- Idea of an FDA white paper on oxalate studies discussed with scientific, industry, and patient representatives at a half day meeting.
  - Concept enthusiastically endorsed by all present
  - Despite being an “unfunded mandate” efforts moved forward...

# OHF team to DC in Spring 2016

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## Stop 1: ASN



- The mission of KHI is to advance scientific understanding of the kidney health and patient safety implications of new and existing medical products and to foster development of therapies for diseases that affect the kidney by creating a collaborative environment in which the FDA and the greater nephrology community can interact to optimize the evaluation of drugs, devices, biologics, and food products.

<https://www.asn-online.org/khi/>

# Who can join KHI?

- KHI is a collaborative environment for all stakeholders in the kidney community to help foster development of optimum therapies for diseases that affect the kidney. KHI members may include:
  - Patient organizations
  - Health professional organizations
  - Research Institutions
  - Foundations
  - Pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies
  - Device manufacturers
  - Dialysis providers
  - US and international government agencies



# Current KHI projects (2016)

- Advancing Technologies to Facilitate Remote Management of Patient Self-Care in Renal Replacement Therapy (RRT)
- Clinical Trial Endpoints for Dialysis Vascular Access
- Data Harmonization in Kidney Transplant
- Data Standards in Diabetic Kidney Disease
- Development of a Roadmap for Innovations in Renal Replacement Therapy (RRT)
- **Identifying Surrogate Endpoints for Clinical Trials in IgA Nephropathy**
- Overcoming Barriers to Drug Development in Children with CKD
- Pragmatic Trials in Dialysis: Challenges and Opportunities
- Prioritizing Symptoms of ESRD Patients for Developing Therapeutic Interventions
- Regulatory Policies and Positions Affecting Device Approval in the US: Tools to Assess the Process and Foster Device Development for Patients with Kidney Disease
- Workshop to Elucidate Role of Patient Preferences in Support of CDRH Regulatory Actions in Kidney Disease

## Stop 2: FDA meeting

- Well attended “1 hr” meeting with ~20 FDA representatives
- In general seemed receptive to our message that large clinical trials with hard endpoints are not feasible
- There is a mechanism to submit paperwork to validate a surrogate endpoint (like oxalate), but was mentioned maybe not be the best approach
- No firm advice r/e next best steps

# Kidney Health Initiative (KHI)

- OHF proposal submitted for mid 2016 cycle to help with developing guidance for appropriate endpoints in hyperoxaluria trials
- Well received but ultimately not approved
- Feedback: Not eager to take on “validation of a surrogate endpoint” with all the lab work, etc. that effort might entail
- Plan to reapply for Spring 2017 cycle, and attend stakeholders meeting in May 2017
  - OHF and several officers are now KHI members

# OHF SAB meeting 2017

- While waiting to reapply to KHI, we have decided now is the time to seize our momentum and work on a summary document that will:
  - be used when we engage the FDA in further discussion, hopefully culminating in the request from them for us to develop a guidance document
  - form the basis (or starting point) for this comprehensive guidance document

<b>1</b>	<b>Biology of oxalate, including biosynthetic pathways</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Renal and gastrointestinal oxalate transport</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Genetics of Primary Hyperoxaluria</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Pathophysiology of enteric hyperoxaluria</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Diagnosis of hyperoxaluria, including algorithms and laboratory issues</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Pathophysiology of calcium oxalate kidney stones and nephrocalcinosis in hyperoxaluric states</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Treatment strategies for hyperoxaluria- current and future</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>The clinical needs for hyperoxaluria trials from the patients' perspective</b>

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# Subsequent Timeline

- February 25, 2017
  - Working meeting
- March-April 2017
  - Small group follow-up
- May-June 2017
  - Roll into one document
- July 2017
  - Discussions at OHF workshop

# KHI Project

- **May-Sept 2017** Application submitted to KHI and approved
- Initial stakeholders meeting **Feb 22, 2018**.
  - Good representation from industry, academia, patients and families.

## Specific Objectives

### **1. Consensus recommendations for potential surrogate endpoints**

- Identify candidate surrogate markers for clinical trials in hyperoxaluria
- Critically assess candidate measures for appropriateness
- Identify gaps in the data and future research needs to fully establish acceptable biochemical marker(s) for clinical trials in hyperoxaluria

### **2. Develop recommendations for industry guidelines for expedited clinical trials and approvals**

- Identify characteristics of patients with differing risks of progression
- Develop a consensus statement of risk tolerance of hyperoxaluric patients/families for clinical trial participation and medication use



# Surrogate End Points for Clinical Trials

*Endpoint markers for clinical trials are expected meet the following criteria:*

- **Biologic plausibility** that the biochemical marker is on the biologic pathway to a hard endpoint such as kidney failure or death
- Epidemiologic or other **data showing consistent association between the biochemical marker and the clinical outcome** of interest
- Any available **data from clinical trials showing that the effects of treatment on the candidate marker largely account for their effects on clinical outcome**
- **An assessment of quantitative effect** on the endpoint marker that is **needed to be clinically significant**

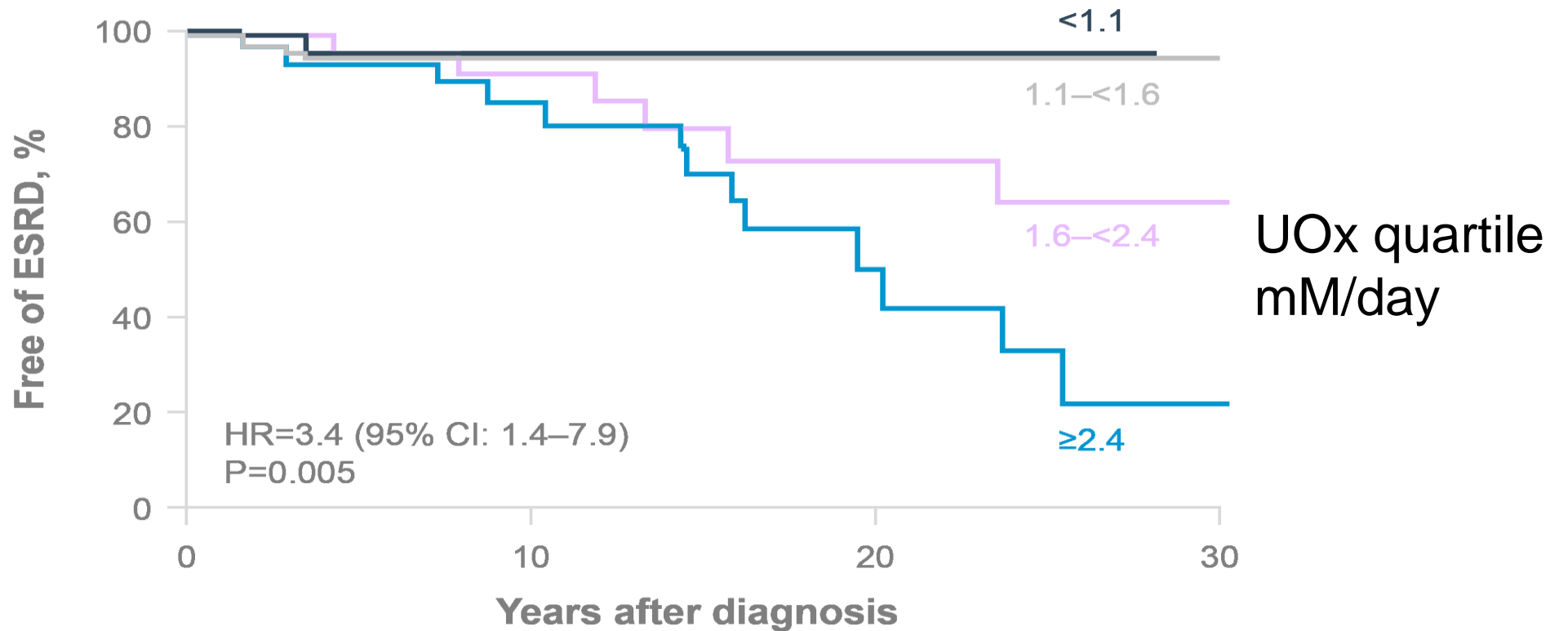
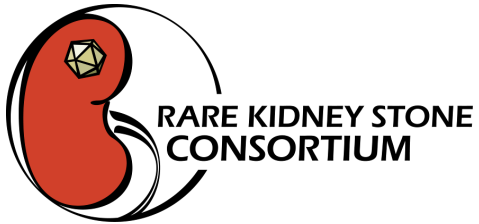
# PH Registry Enrollment March-2023

	<b>Total (N=603)</b>
<b>Sex, n (%)</b>	
<b>M</b>	<b>326 (54.4%)</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>273 (45.6%)</b>
<b>Not Recorded</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Race, n (%)</b>	
<b>Am. Indian</b>	<b>3 (0.5%)</b>
<b>Asian</b>	<b>126 (20.9%)</b>
<b>African American</b>	<b>14 (2.3%)</b>
<b>Hawaiian</b>	<b>2 (0.3%)</b>
<b>White</b>	<b>357 (59.2%)</b>
<b>Not Disclosed</b>	<b>101 (16.7%)</b>
<b>Ethnicity, n (%)</b>	
<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	<b>34 (5.6%)</b>
<b>Non Hispanic or Latino</b>	<b>339 (56.2%)</b>
<b>Not Disclosed</b>	<b>230 (38.1%)</b>
<b>Deceased, n (%)</b>	
<b>No</b>	<b>534 (88.6%)</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>69 (11.4%)</b>

# PH Registry Enrollment March-2023

<b>Renal Failure, n (%)</b>	
No	349 (57.9%)
Yes	254 (42.1%)
<b>Patients with Serum Labs</b>	
N	539
Mean (SD)	7.5 (7.70)
Median	5
Range	1.0, 46.0
<b>Patients with Urine Labs</b>	
N	490
Mean (SD)	6.6 (6.48)
Median	4
Range	1.0, 30.0
<b>Year LFU, n (%)</b>	
<=2019	417 (69.2%)
2020	62 (10.3%)
2021	45 (7.5%)
2022	67 (11.1%)
2023	12 (2.0%)
<b>FU Years</b>	
N	603
Mean (SD)	9.1 (11.59)
Median	4.9
Range	0.0, 64.1

# Urine oxalate is a key risk factor for kidney failure in PH

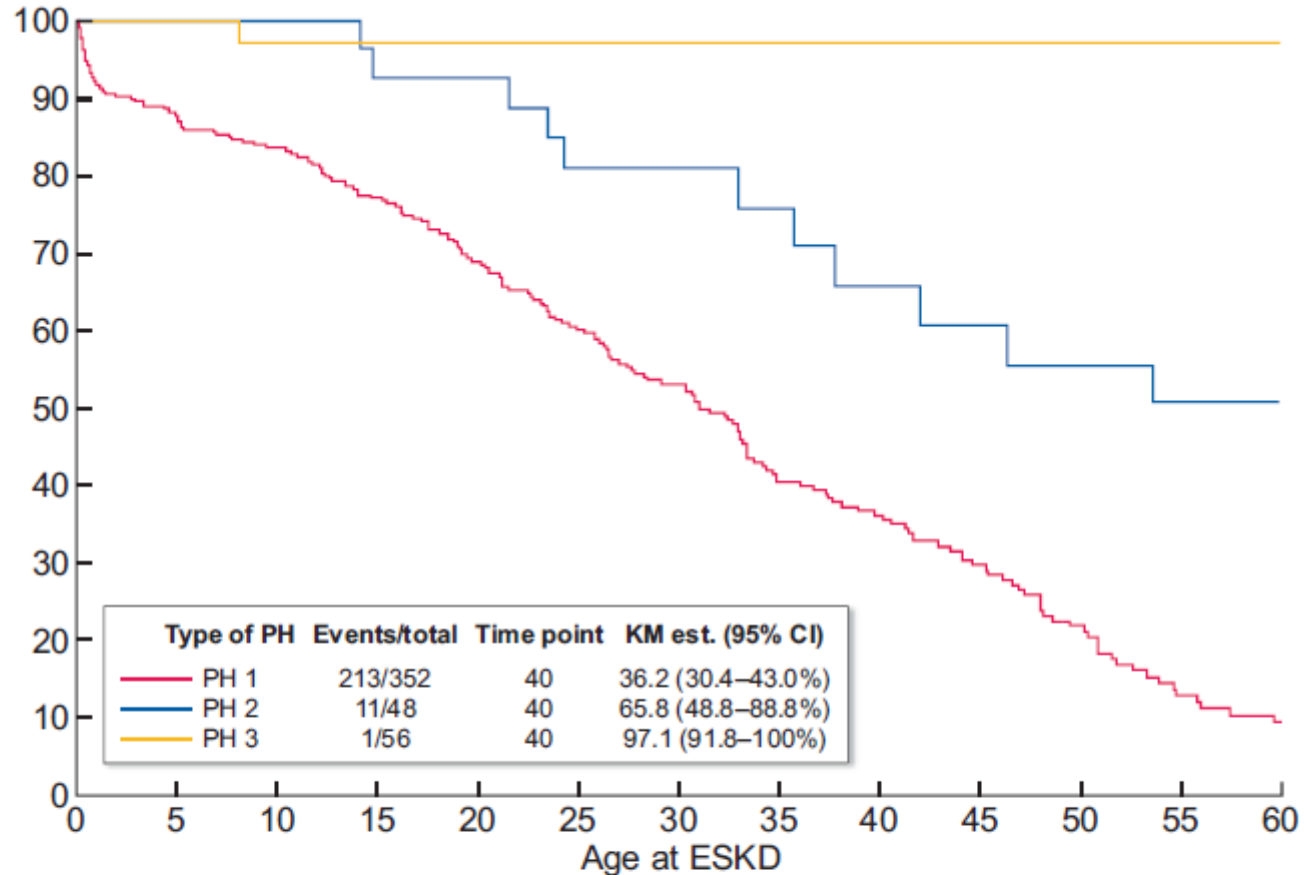


Urine oxalate	Survival estimate, % (number at risk)			
<1.1	100 (42)	96 (7)	96 (1)	–
1.1–<1.6	100 (42)	95 (8)	95 (5)	95 (2)
1.6–<2.4	100 (42)	91 (19)	73 (10)	65 (6)
≥2.4	100 (42)	85 (19)	42 (6)	23 (2)

Zhao et al Clin J Am Soc Nephrol 11: 119–126, 2016

# Kidney failure is common in PH 1 and PH2, especially in PH1

Percent without kidney failure



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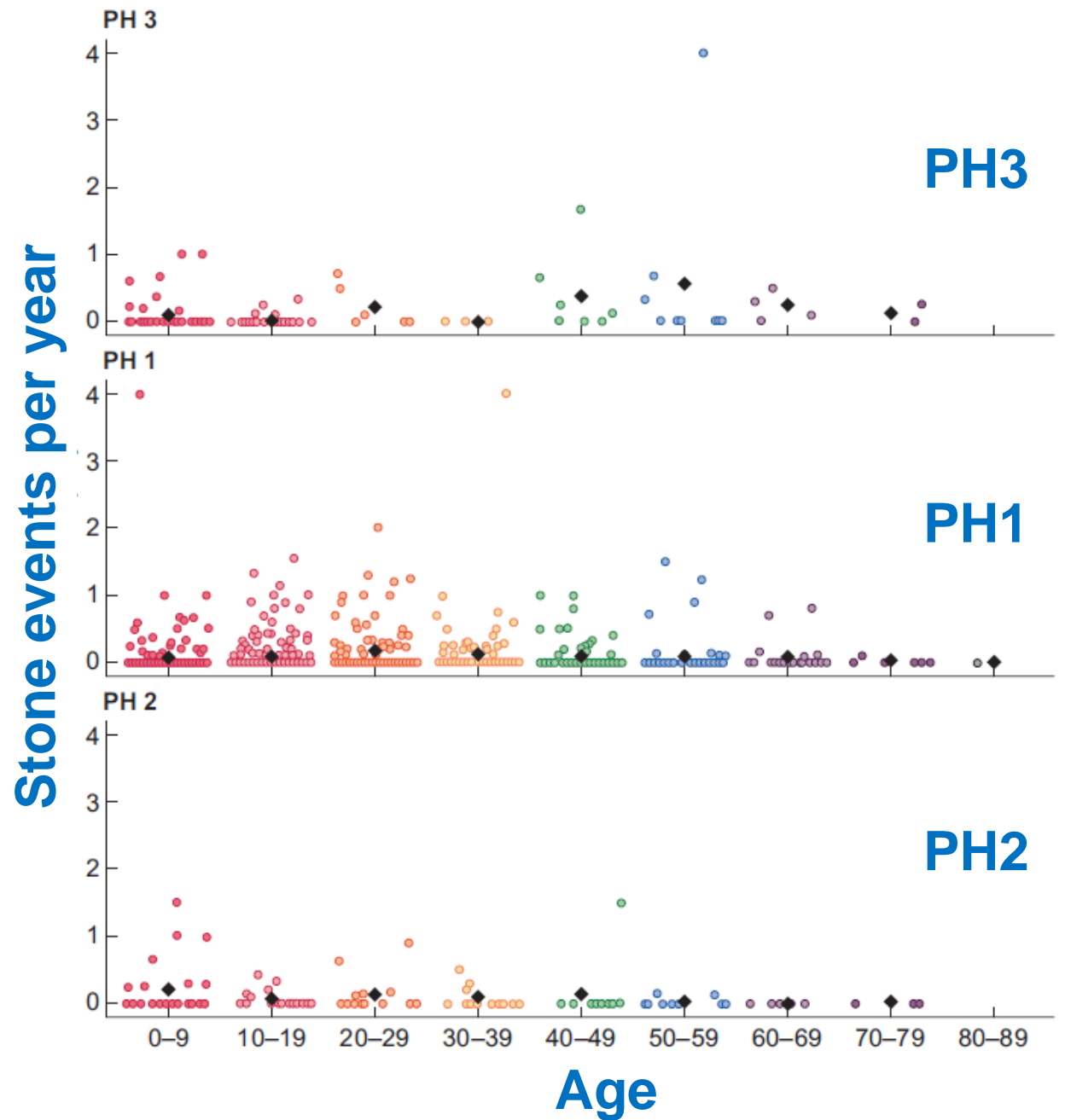
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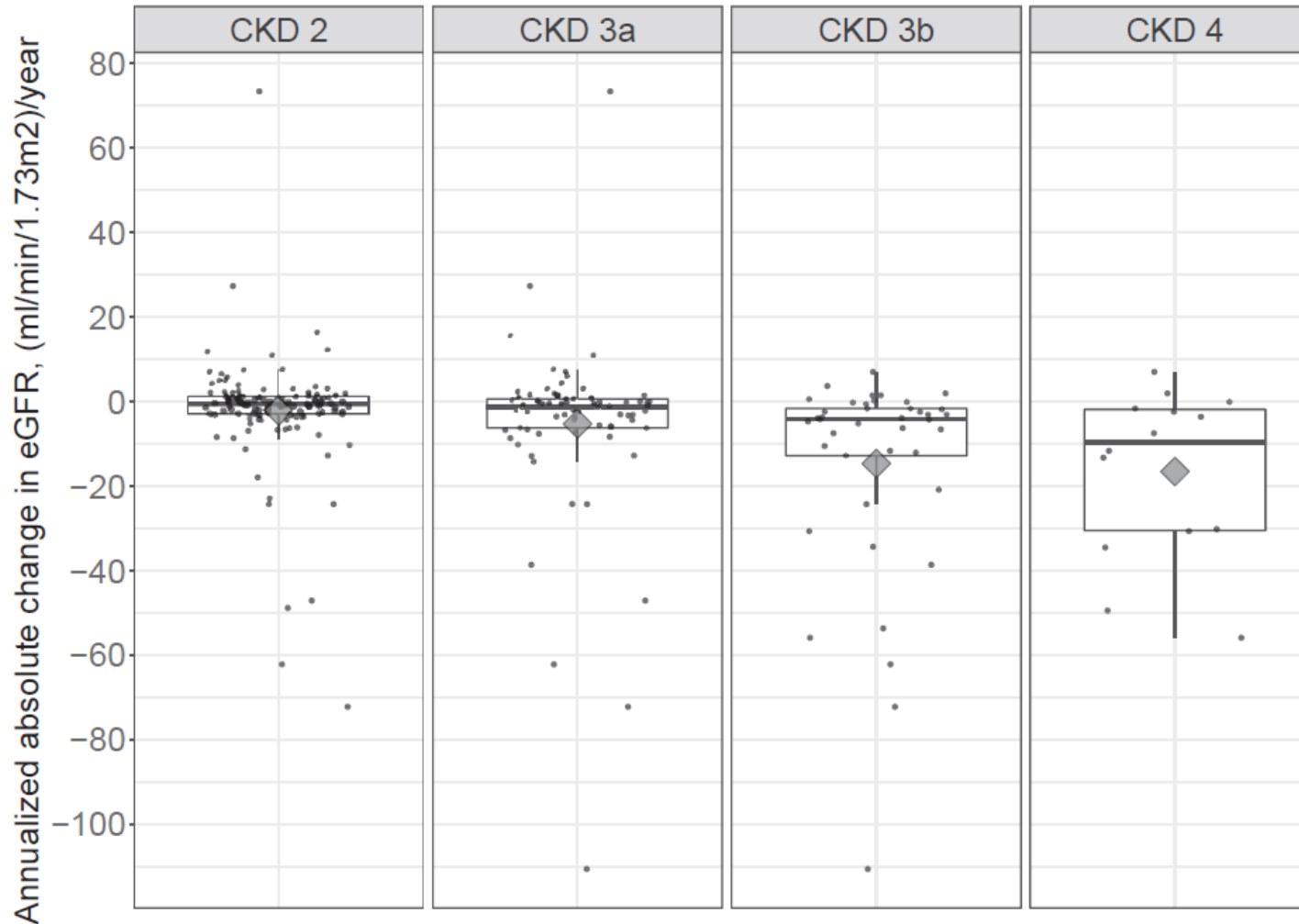


	Patients-at-risk												
	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
PH 1	352	286	255	211	169	140	116	79	65	48	31	16	10
PH 2	48	44	31	25	24	21	16	15	13	12	11	9	5
PH 3	56	41	32	24	21	18	16	15	15	13	11	9	7

Kidney stones are equally common in all PH types and across the decades

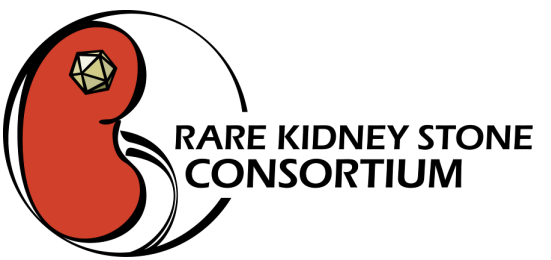
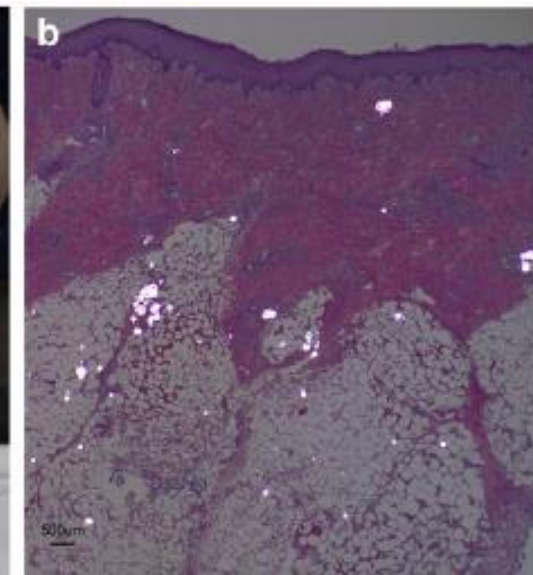
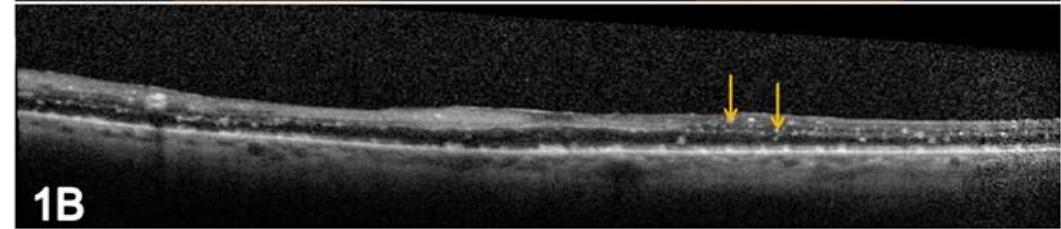


# eGFR declines more dramatically at lower CKD stages

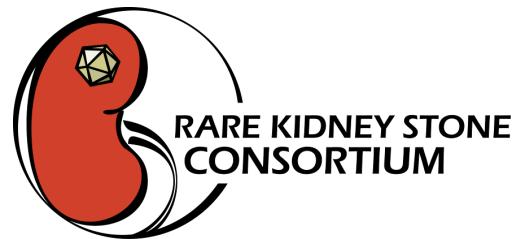
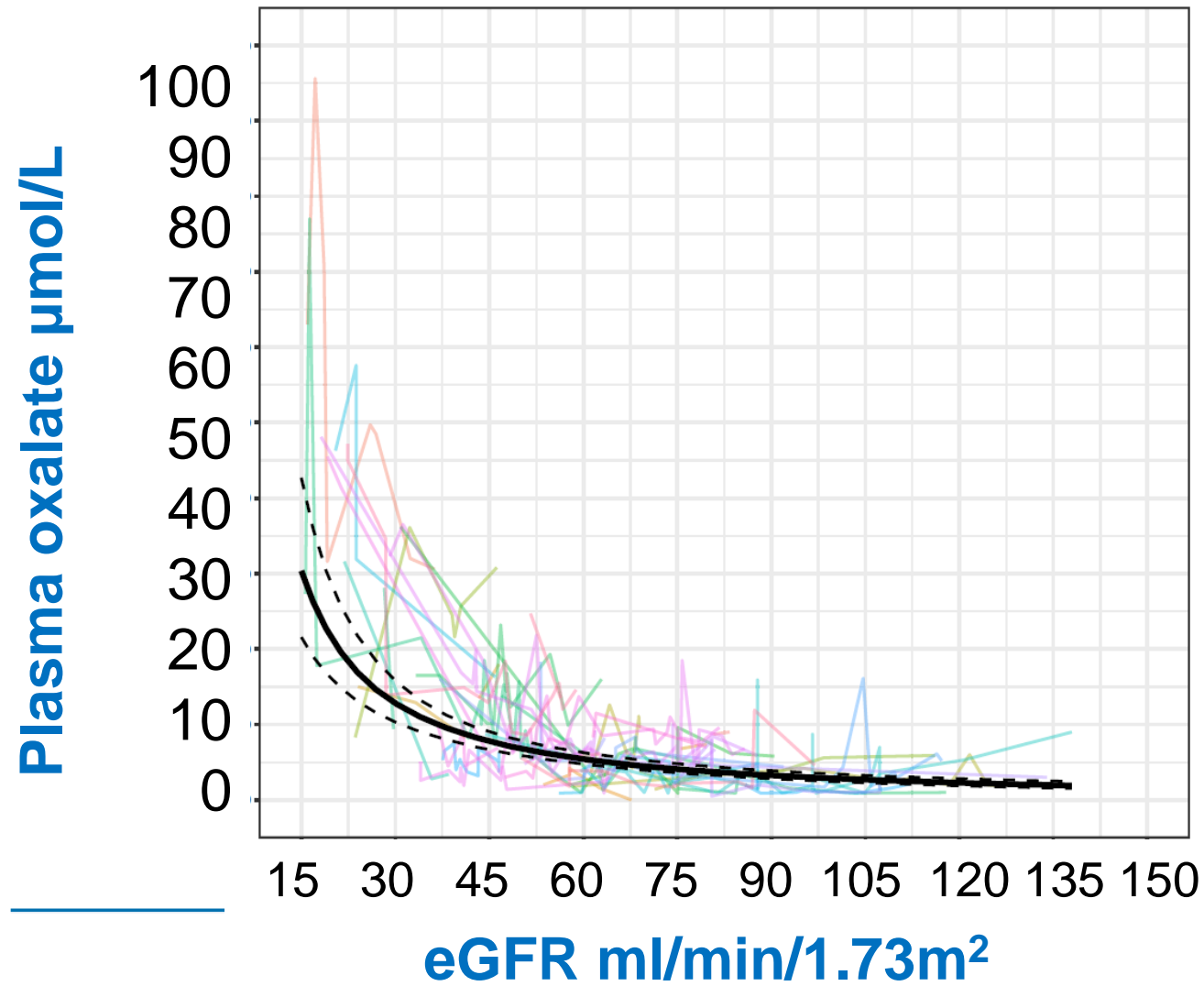




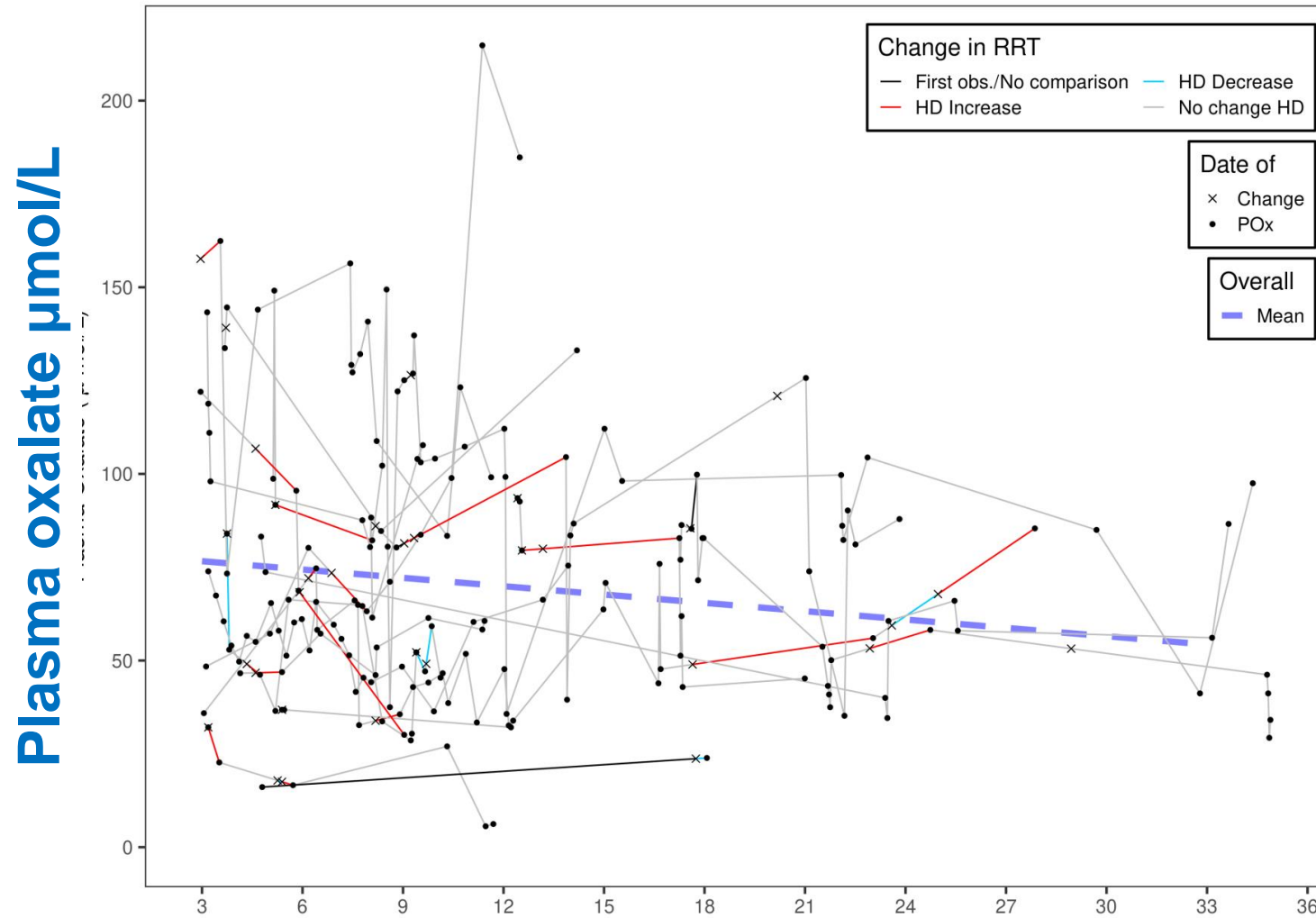
# Oxalosis



# Plasma oxalate increases markedly at low eGFR in PH1



# Plasma oxalate over time on dialysis in PH1

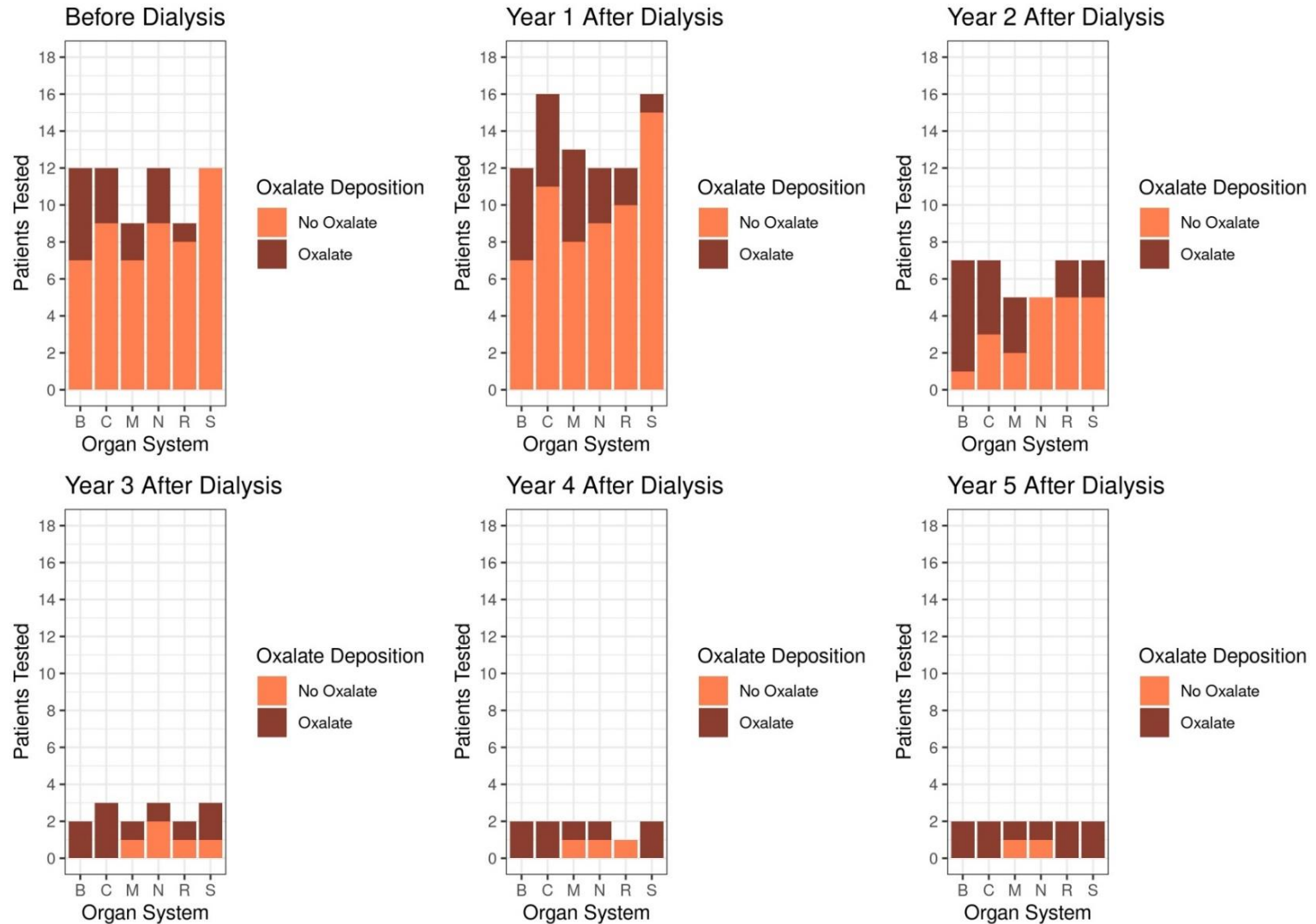


Months since renal replacement therapy start date

# Oxalosis over time on dialysis



Bone  
Cardiovascular  
Musculoskeletal  
Neuro  
Retina  
Skin



Organ System: B=Bone C=CardioVascular M=Musculoskeletal N=Neuro R=Retina S=Skin

# KHI Endpoints for Clinical Trials in Hyperoxaluria: Outcomes

- A group of candidate markers compiled for evaluation.
- Promising candidates underwent rigorous examination via detailed literature review
- Biomarkers/endpoints evaluated sequentially on biweekly calls
- **Several remained as viable candidates**
  - **Plasma oxalate**
  - **Urine oxalate**
  - **Change in eGFR**
  - **Stone events**
- Workgroups summarized reviews
- Compiled into a draft report
- Paper draft Back and forth with FDA: published 2020
- PH patient group building on white paper, sought experience of others re: patient/family risk tolerance for clinical trials, new therapies.





## End Points for Clinical Trials in Primary Hyperoxaluria

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### Abstract

Patients with primary hyperoxaluria experience kidney stones from a young age and can develop progressive oxalate nephropathy. Progression to kidney failure often develops over a number of years, and is associated with systemic oxalosis, intensive dialysis, and often combined kidney and liver transplantation. There are no therapies approved by the Food and Drug Association. Thus, the Kidney Health Initiative, in partnership with the Oxalosis and Hyperoxaluria Foundation, initiated a project to identify end points for clinical trials. A workgroup of physicians, scientists, patients with primary hyperoxaluria, industry, and United States regulators critically examined the published literature for clinical outcomes and potential surrogate end points that could be used to evaluate new treatments. Kidney stones, change in eGFR, urine oxalate, and plasma oxalate were the strongest candidate end points. Kidney stones affect how patients with primary hyperoxaluria feel and function, but standards for measurement and monitoring are lacking. Primary hyperoxaluria registry data suggest that eGFR decline in most patients is gradual, but can be unpredictable. Epidemiologic data show a strong relationship between urine oxalate and long-term kidney function loss. Urine oxalate is reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit, due to its causal role in stone formation and kidney damage in CKD stages 1–3a, and plasma oxalate is likely associated with risk of systemic oxalosis in CKD 3b–5. Change in slope of eGFR could be considered the equivalent of a clinically meaningful end point in support of traditional approval. A substantial change in urine oxalate as a surrogate end point could support traditional approval in patients with primary hyperoxaluria type 1 and CKD stages 1–3a. A substantial change in markedly elevated plasma oxalate could support accelerated approval in patients with primary hyperoxaluria and CKD stages 3b–5. Primary hyperoxaluria type 1 accounts for the preponderance of available data, thus heavily influences the conclusions. Addressing gaps in data will further facilitate testing of promising new treatments, accelerating improved outcomes for patients with primary hyperoxaluria.

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## Primary Hyperoxaluria The Patient and Caregiver Perspective

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### Introduction

Living with primary hyperoxaluria—a rare genetic disease with excess oxalate production leading to frequent kidney stones, kidney impairment, and oxalosis—presents many challenges to patients, caregivers, and their families. Although the progression and severity of primary hyperoxaluria is variable, care for any child or adult with primary hyperoxaluria is an unusual strain to the family due to intensity of required medical care and associated financial hardship. To identify the concerns of the primary hyperoxaluria community, multiple in-person meetings were con-

experience interruptions in school and work, and loss of sleep.

“It is a daily challenge to make sure our son is drinking constantly throughout the day. He visits the school nurse every day who gives him one of his four daily doses of medication through his (gastrostomy) mickey button. As a 12-year-old, he misses sleepovers, sleep away camp, and overnight school trips.”

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## End Points for Clinical Trials in Hyperoxaluria: Case Study of Patient-Focused Drug Development in a Rare Disease

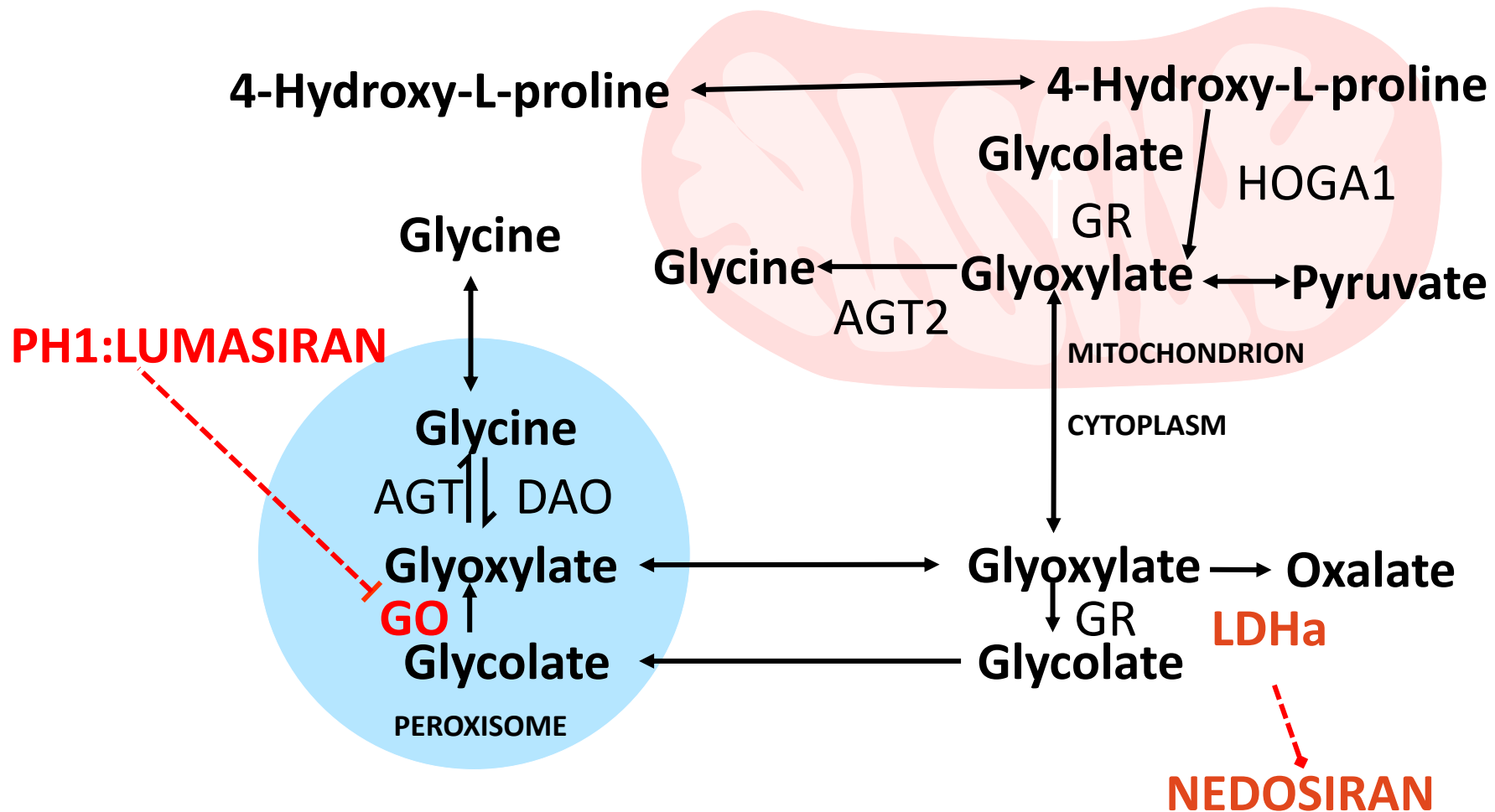


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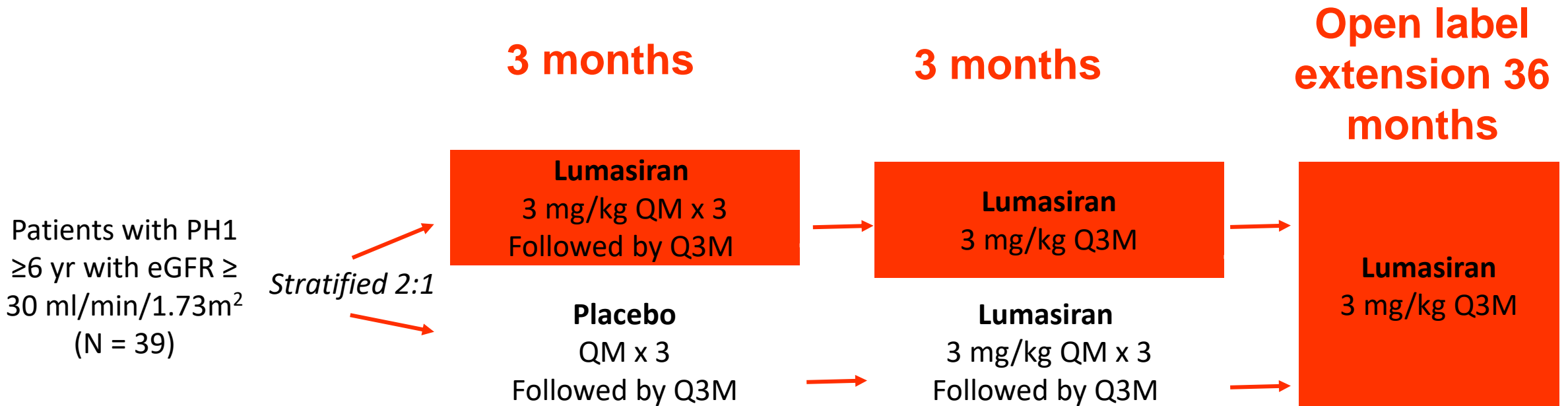
# siRNA Place in PH1 Therapy





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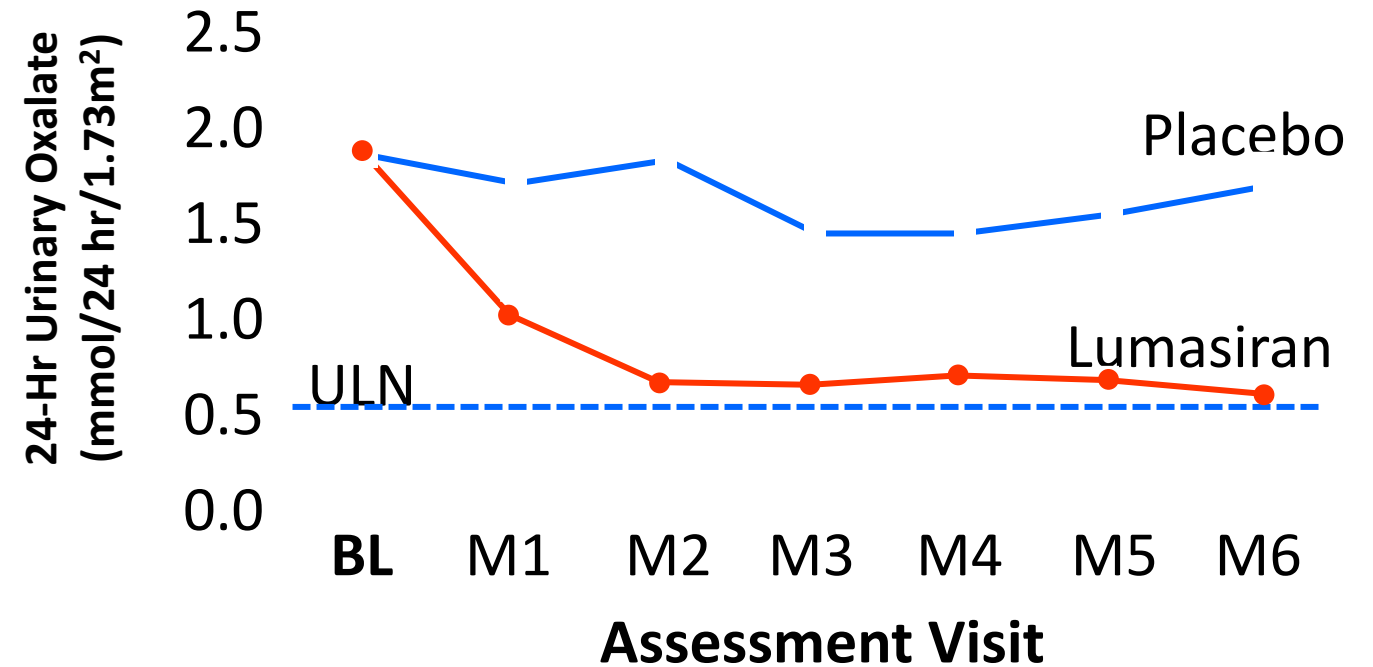
- Ongoing, phase III trial of subcutaneous lumasiran (small interfering RNA (siRNA silences *HAO1* gene encoding glycolate oxidase)



# ILLUMINATE A

- Mean reduction in urinary oxalate excretion: 65% lumasiran vs 11% placebo ( $P < .001$ ) at 6-mo primary analysis period
- Only transient injection-site reactions reported
- **Approved as an Orphan drug 11/2020!**

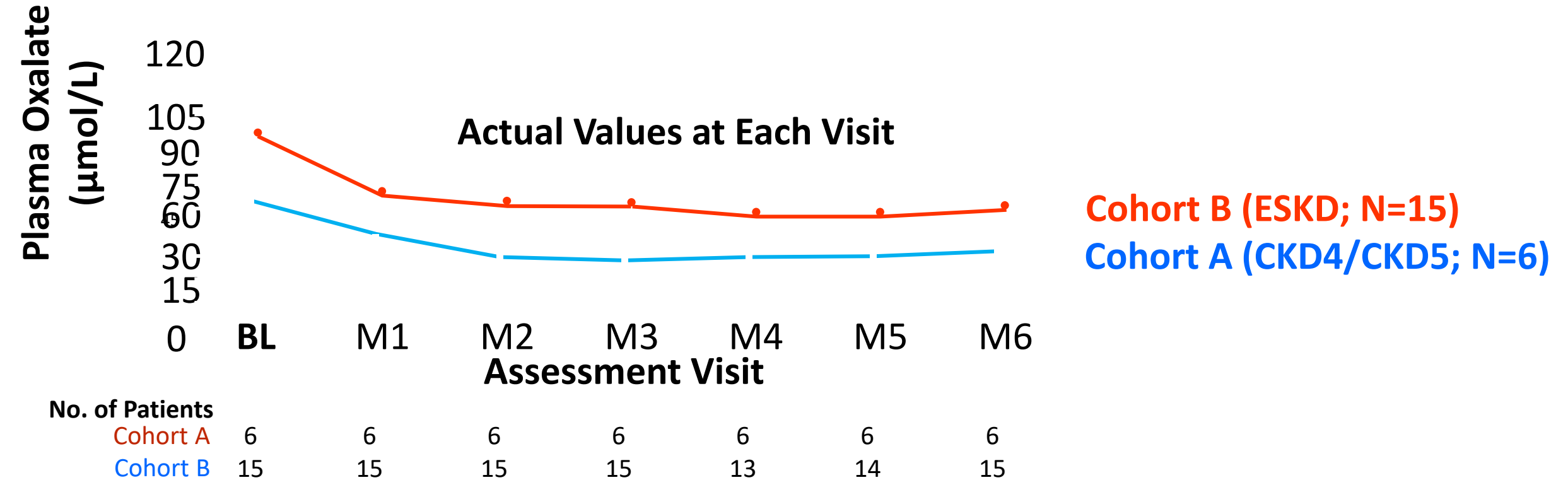
**24-Hour Urinary Oxalate Excretion over Time**



**No. of Patients**

Placebo	13	13	12	13	13	13	13
Lumasiran	26	24	26	24	23	25	25

# ILLUMINATE C (CKD)



# Nedosiran

- **Nedosiran: GalNAc-conjugated RNAi treatment that targets hepatic lactate dehydrogenase (LDHa)**
- **RNAi therapy approved for PH; PHYOX program**
  - **PHYOX1** and **PHYOX2**: completed
  - **PHYOX3**: ongoing; extension trial of **PHYOX2** in all types of PH
  - **PHYOX4**: ongoing; phase 1, single dose study in PH3
  - **PHYOX7**: ongoing; safety and efficacy in PH1 or PH2 with severe renal impairment with or without dialysis
  - **PHYOX8**: ongoing; safety, pharmacokinetics, and efficacy in children 0-5 yr with PH and intact kidney function
  - **PHYOX-OBX**: ongoing; natural history in PH3
- **Approval in US for PH1 in late 2023!**

# PHYOX2 Results

**PHYOX2 Met Primary Endpoint Achieving a Significant Reduction in Uox**

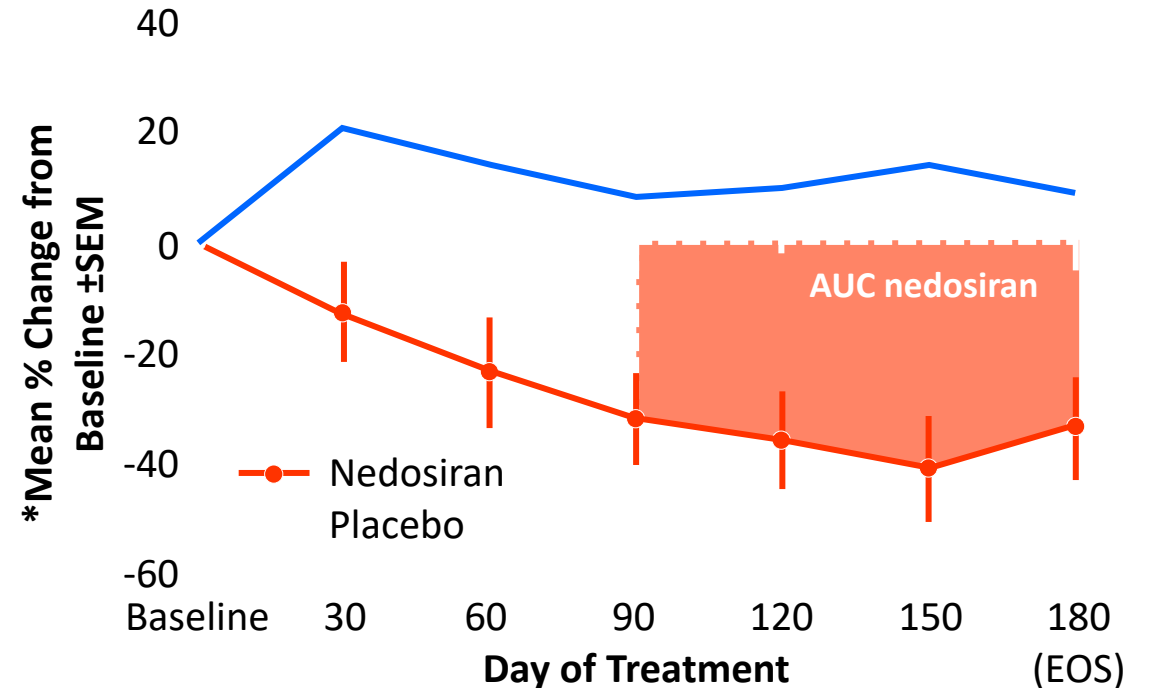
*Mean AUC<sub>24-hour Uox</sub> (day 90 to day 180)*

## Overall mITT Population<sup>1</sup> (PH1 + PH2)

Standardized AUC <sub>24-hour Uox</sub> from Day 90 to Day	<b>Nedosiran (n = 22)</b>	Placebo (n = 12)
n	22	12
LS Mean (SE)	3507.4 (788.49)	-1664.4 (1189.96)
95% CI for LS Mean	(1961.7, 5053.1)	(-3997.2, 668.4)
LS Mean Difference from Placebo (SE)	5171.7 (1144.07)	
95% CI for Difference from Placebo	(2929.3, 7414.2)	
P-value for Difference from Placebo (2)	<b>&lt;.0001</b>	

(1) mITT population = All participants in the ITT population who have at least one efficacy assessment after the Day 90 dosing visit.

(2) P-value for testing difference from placebo



\*LS means from MMRM model using time point estimates

\*\*Multiple imputation (MI) under the missing at random (MAR) assumption was used to handle missing 24-hr Uox data

# Endpoints for Clinical Trials in Hyperoxaluria: PH Progress to Date

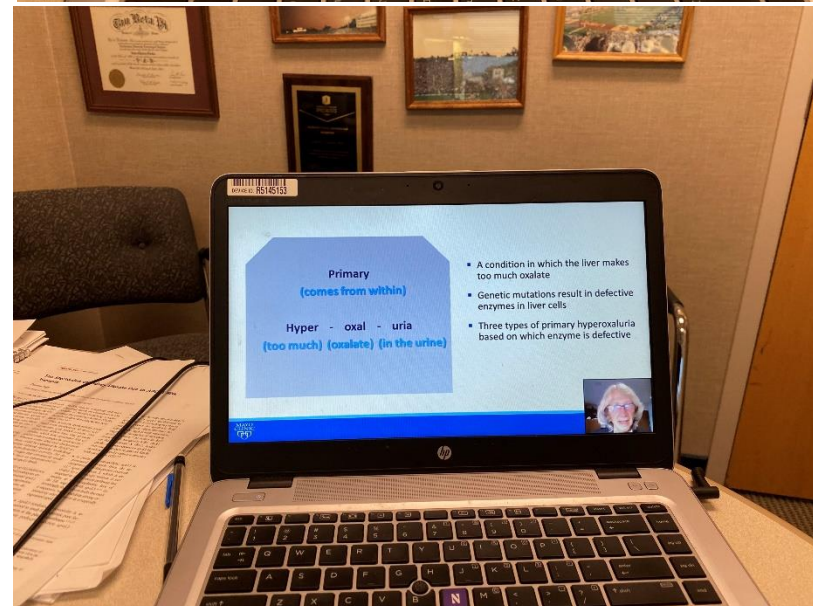
## THE VOICE OF THE PATIENT REPORT: PRIMARY HYPEROXALURIA

A Report on the Externally Led Patient-Focused  
Drug Development Meeting Corresponding to FDA's  
Patient-Focused Drug Development Initiative

**Externally Led Public Meeting: October 5, 2020**  
**Report Date:**

Hosted by: The Oxalosis & Hyperoxaluria Foundation

Submitted to:  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) &  
Center for Biologic Evaluation and Research (CBER)  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)



# Quality of Life

## Collaboration with Dicerna/ Novo Nordisc

- Survey Tools
  - **PH survey** adapted from our Voice of the Patient meeting
  - **The Wisconsin StoneQOL (WisQOL)**
    - The Wisconsin StoneQOL underwent reliability and validity testing in 248 stone formers and demonstrated good internal consistency.
    - This instrument is currently undergoing further testing in a large multicenter trial.
    - Wisconsin StoneQOL scores are expressed on a scale between 0 and 100, with a higher number indicating a better QoL.
  - **Work Productivity and Activity Impairment Questionnaire (WPAI)**
- Administered electronically via REDCAP
- Promoted in OHF sponsored Webinar



# Recent PH-related health event

	Living with PH	Parent or caregiver
<b>Kidney stone</b>	14	8
<b>Decreased Kidney function</b>	6	5
<b>Failure to thrive</b>	0	3
<b>Hematuria</b>	3	4
<b>UTI</b>	3	3
<b>Fatigue</b>	5	5
<b>Bone fractures</b>	0	1
<b>Bodily pain</b>	9	7
<b>Nausea or vomiting</b>	2	6
<b>Chills/fever</b>	1	2
<b>Heart or eye problems</b>	0	1
<b>Anxiety or depression</b>	11	8

# What outcomes are most meaningful

	Living with PH	Parent or caregiver
Slowing formation of stones	10	7
<b>Stopping formation of stones</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
Regaining energy	5	0
Lessening pain	2	0
Improving kidney function	6	5
<b>Decreasing need for superhydration</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>
Decreasing UTIs	1	0
<b>Stopping disease progression</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>
Eat what I want	4	1

# PH treatment landscape

- **Lumasiran (GO) and Nedosiran (LHDa) seem equally effective for PH1**
  - Unclear why an LDHa approach did not initially work for PH2 or PH3
    - ?Dosing
    - ?pathway nuances
    - ? Genotype: phenotype
- **Other approaches under consideration**
  - Gene therapy
  - Small molecule
  - Multiple targets at once
- **Use of siRNA may allow kidney alone transplant in kidney failure (without liver transplant)**
- **Registries still essential to answer these questions; develop long term outcomes**

# Conclusions

- **KHI project has worked as envisioned**
  - Stakeholder identified and engaged
  - ASN staff were instrumental for organizing the group, identifying next steps
  - Robust FDA involvement along the way
- **Project was “ripe” for this process**
  - Strong industry pipeline
  - Pressing need for consensus regarding trial designs for this rare disease population since standard double blind trials with hard endpoints may not be feasible or timely
- **Pooling data in retrospective registries was crucial to understand this monogenic disease**
  - define natural history and disease surrogates
  - Attract industry and technology
  - Support regulatory approval
- **In 2024 there are 2 approved therapies for the devastating disease PH1!**



# Hard work towards newer treatments







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# Case Example Reactor Panel

## Reactor Panel

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