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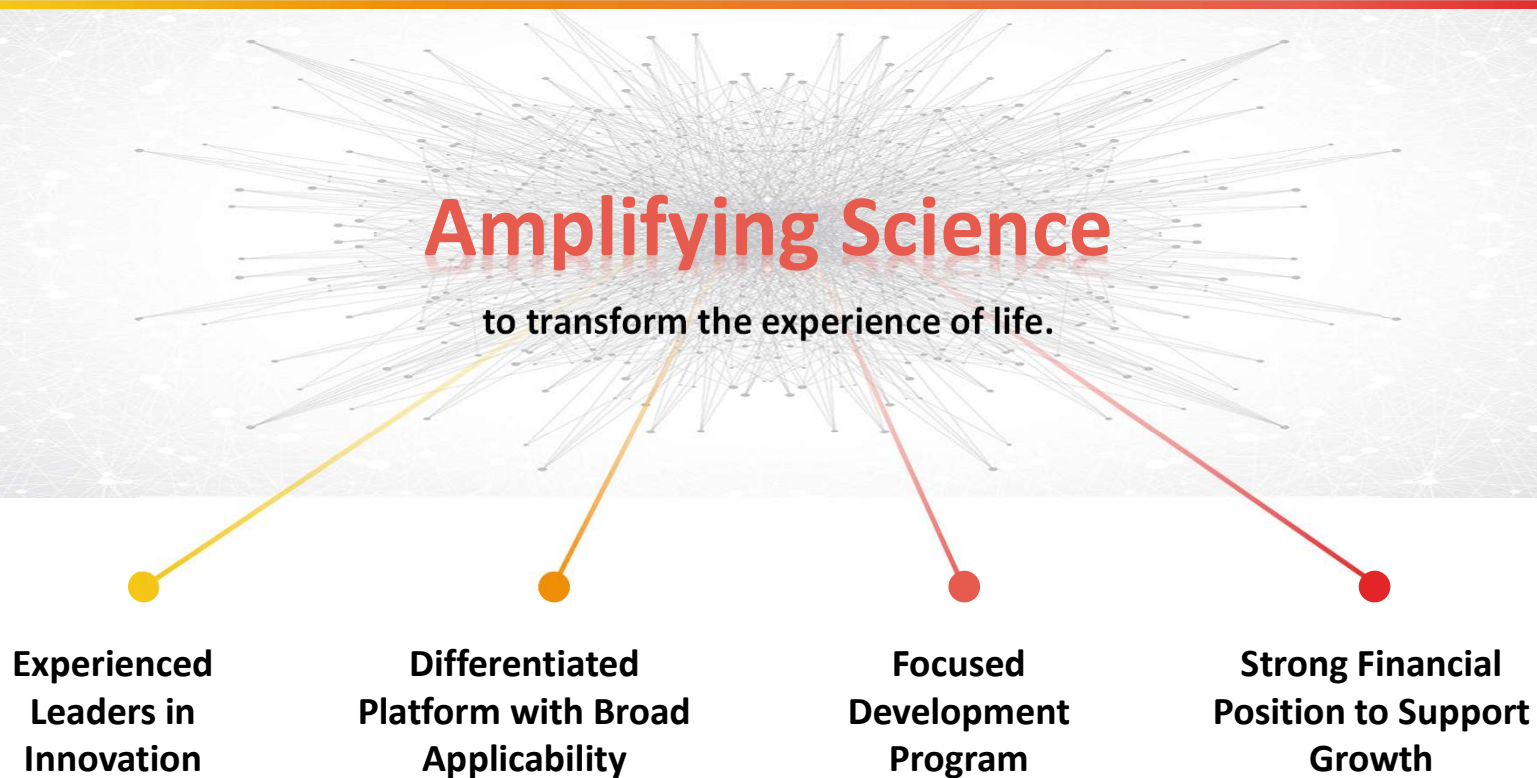
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## Amplifying Science to Transform the Experience of Life

Stoke is making a new generation of RNA-based genetic medicines that upregulate protein expression to restore human health.

## Foundational Elements of Stoke



# TANGO Restores Protein Levels by Stoking Output From Healthy Genes

- Stoke's ASOs bind to specific stretches of pre-mRNA to **reduce non-productive mRNA and increase productive mRNA**
- The increased levels of productive mRNA from the functional copy of the gene result in **increased protein production**
- For **haploinsufficiencies**, TANGO restores the target protein to near-normal levels



# TANGO: An RNA-Based Genetic Medicine Platform for Protein Upregulation

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*Stoke uses RNA science to restore missing proteins by increasing – or stoking – protein output from healthy genes.*

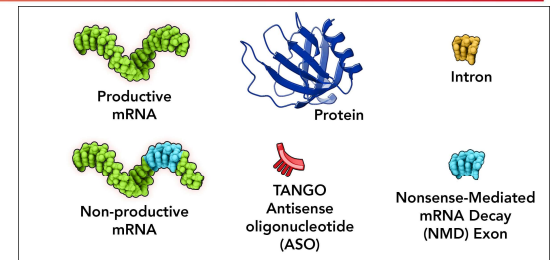
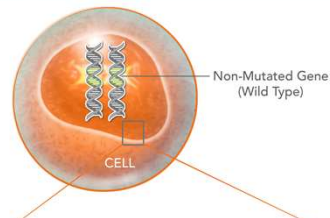
## TANGO

### Targeted Augmentation of Nuclear Gene Output

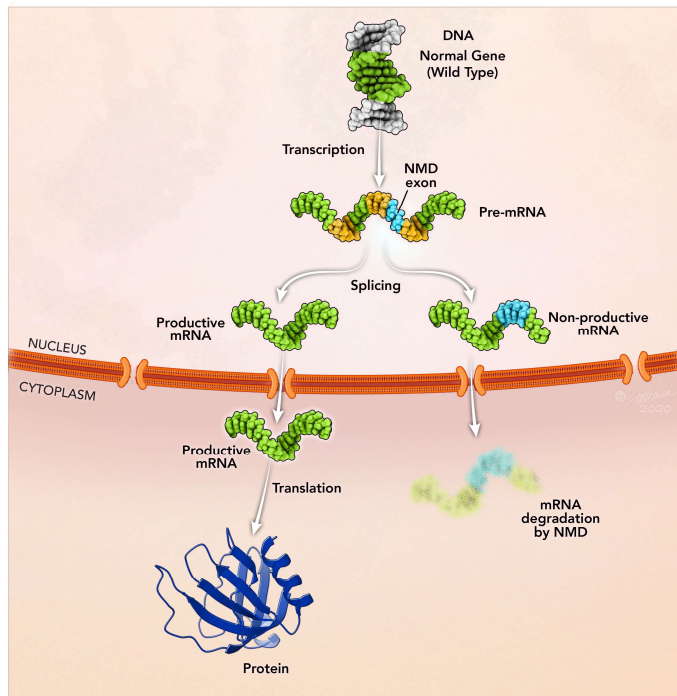
- Addresses underlying cause of disease
- Applicable to most loss-of-function mutations
- Applies equally to small or large gene targets
- Gene and tissue specific
- Controllable dose and duration
- Can address wide array of diseases
- Simple and scalable manufacturing



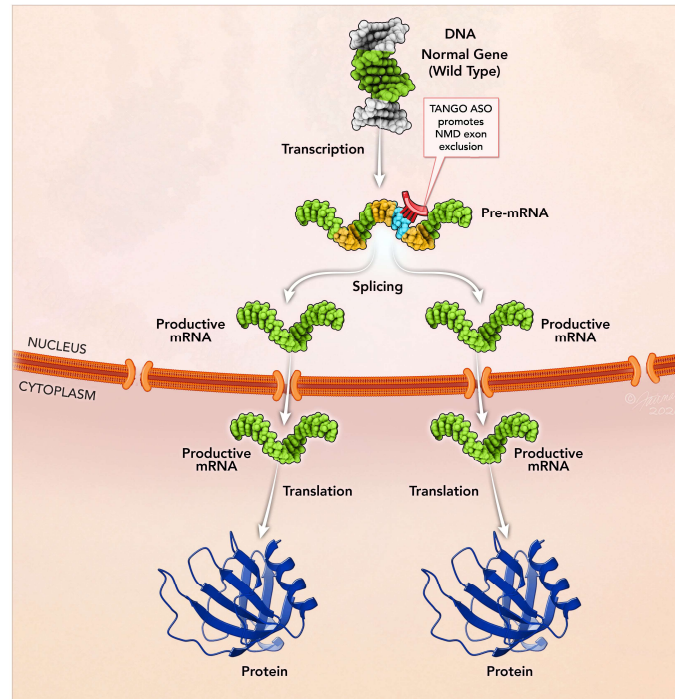
# Transformative Potential of TANGO Technology for Gene Upregulation



WITHOUT TANGO-ASO



WITH TANGO-ASO

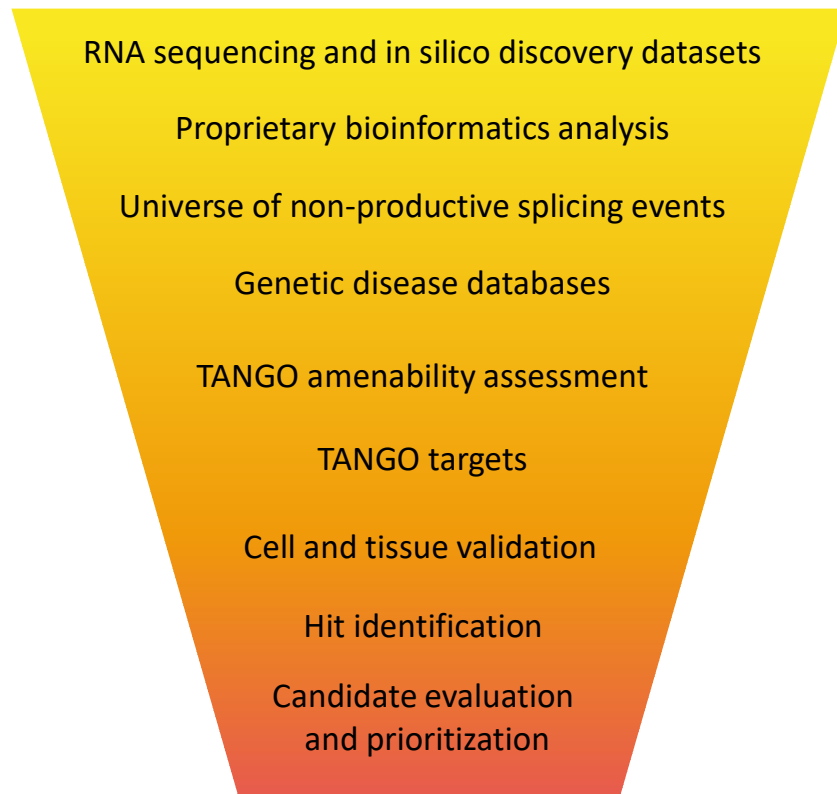


Source: Lim, K.H., Han, Z., Jeon, H.Y. *et al.* Antisense oligonucleotide modulation of non-productive alternative splicing upregulates gene expression. *Nat Commun* **11**, 3501 (2020).



# Robust Target Identification Process Utilizing Proprietary Bioinformatics

## Target identification process



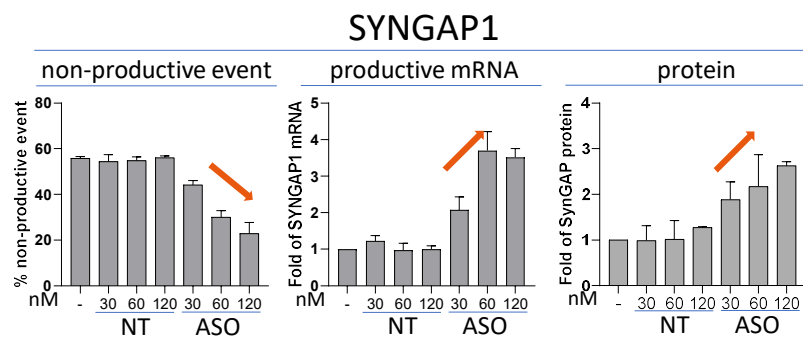
- Approximately 50% of human genes contain a TANGO signature
- Cross-referencing with genetic disease databases identifies approximately 2,900 monogenic diseases amenable to TANGO
- Enables rapid and systematic identification of clinically relevant targets

Source: Stoke data

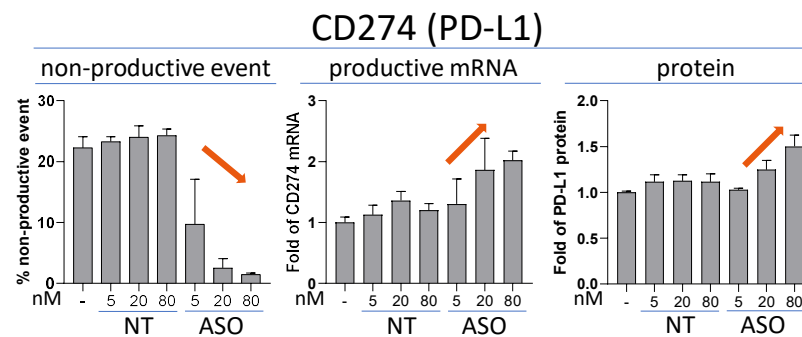


# TANGO is Applicable to a Broad Range of Targets

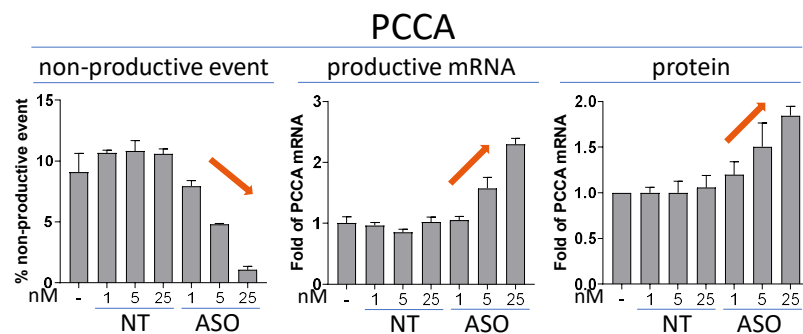
## Genetic epilepsy – haploinsufficiency



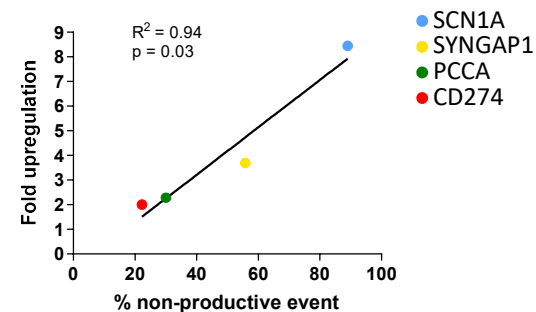
## Pathway target – wild type



## Liver target – autosomal recessive



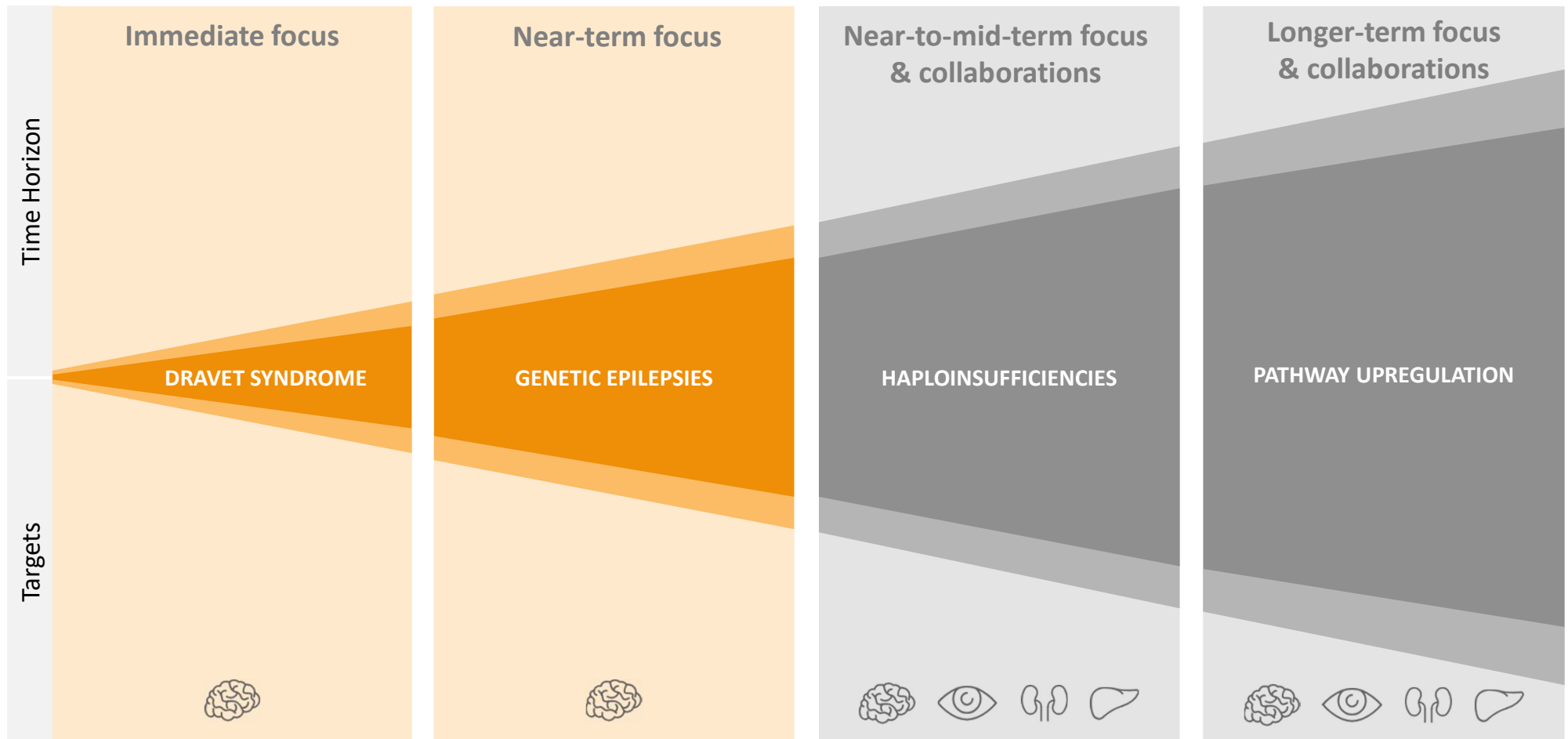
## Correlation between event abundance (+CHX) & upregulation



NT: non-targeting ASO control, all experiments n = 3, *in vitro*

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## Stoke is Initially Focused on Dravet Syndrome and Other Genetic Epilepsies




## Significant Unmet Need in Genetic Epilepsies

**50 million** people globally affected by epilepsy

**>30%** of patients are refractory to medical treatment, especially those with a genetic epilepsy

Up to **50%** of patients with epilepsy have significant cognitive problems

 **>50%** of epilepsies have an identified genetic cause and many of these are haploinsufficiencies

Diagnostic work-up of epilepsy routinely includes genetic testing for more than

**180** disease associated genes

While genetic mechanisms are often well understood ...

**0** genetically-targeted therapies for epilepsies are available

Sources: WHO 2018 fact sheet; Sirven, Cold Spring Harbor Perspectives in Medicine 2015; Pal et al., *Nature Reviews Neurology* 2010; Chen et al., *JAMA Neurology* 2018; Lagae et al., *Developmental Medicine & Child Neurology* 2017; Vlaskamp et al., *Neurology* 2019; Reddy SD et al., *J Pharmacol Exp Ther* 2018; NIH Genetics Home Reference; Company websites

# Dravet Syndrome: A Severe, Progressive Genetic Epilepsy

**85%** of cases caused by a haploinsufficiency of the *SCN1A* gene  
results in **50%**  $\text{Na}_v1.1$  protein expression

Up to **20%** of children and adolescents with Dravet die before adulthood, due to SUDEP<sup>1</sup>, prolonged seizures, seizure-related accidents or infections

**1** out of **16,000** babies are born with Dravet syndrome

Seizures are not adequately controlled in

**90%** of people with Dravet

**~35,000** people affected in the U.S., Canada, Japan, Germany, France and the UK



Dravet syndrome is not concentrated in a particular geographic area or ethnic group.

Note: <sup>1</sup> Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy

Sources: 2018 Health Advances Report; Djémié et al., *Molecular Genetics & Genomic Medicine* 2016; Lagae et al., *Developmental Medicine & Child Neurology* 2017; Nabbout et al., *Orphanet Journal of Rare Diseases* 2013

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# Non-Seizure Comorbidities of Dravet Syndrome Are Not Addressed by Current Therapies

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## Dravet is Not Limited to Seizures:

More than 90% of patients suffer from at least one non-seizure comorbidity, including

- Severe intellectual disabilities
- Severe developmental disabilities
- Motor impairment
- Speech impairment
- Autism
- Behavioral difficulties
- Sleep abnormalities

## High Incidence of Premature Death:

Up to 20% of children and adolescents die before adulthood, due to:

- SUDEP
- Prolonged seizures
- Seizure-related accidents
- Infections

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## STK-001 Has Potential to Address the Genetic Cause of Dravet Syndrome

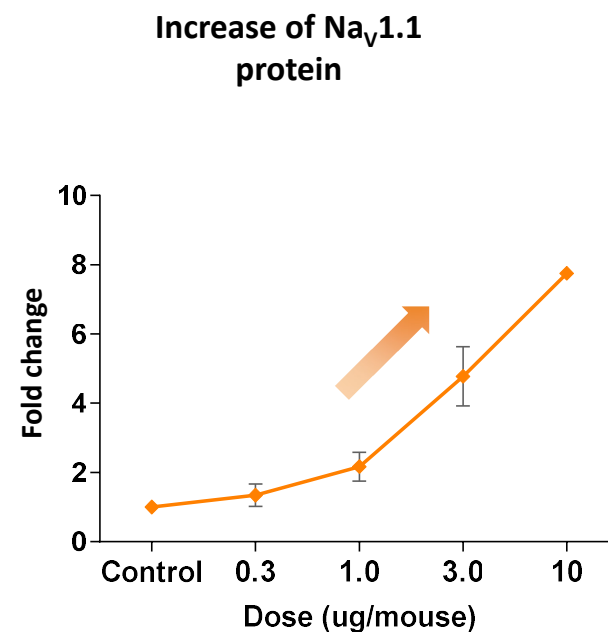
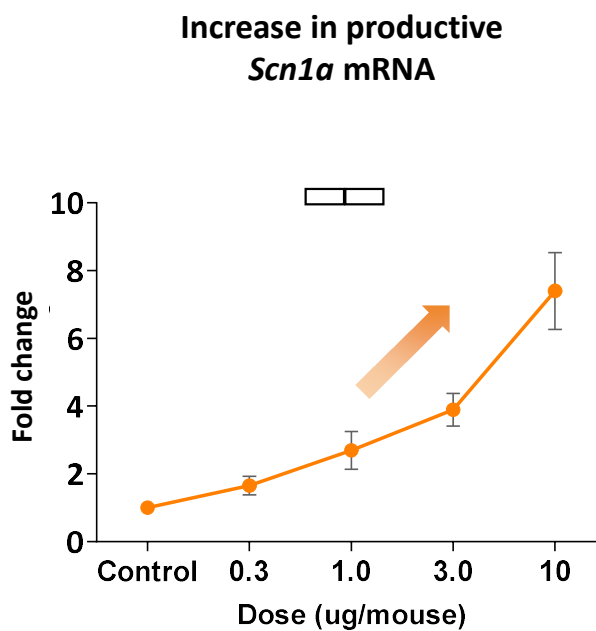
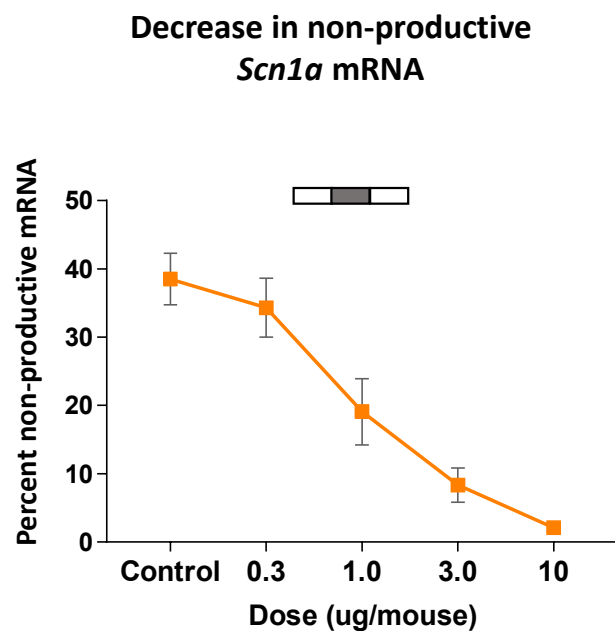
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### Preclinical data support the use of STK-001 in Dravet syndrome:

- ✓ Single dose restores  $\text{Na}_v1.1$  from 50% to near normal levels for >3 months in Dravet syndrome mice
- ✓ Significantly reduces mortality and seizure frequency in Dravet syndrome mouse model
- ✓ Selective target engagement may limit potential off-target effects
- ✓ Broadly distributes in the brains of non-human primates with intrathecal delivery
- ✓ Well-tolerated at pharmacologically-active dose levels in non-human primates
- ✓ Able to dose titrate with wide therapeutic window



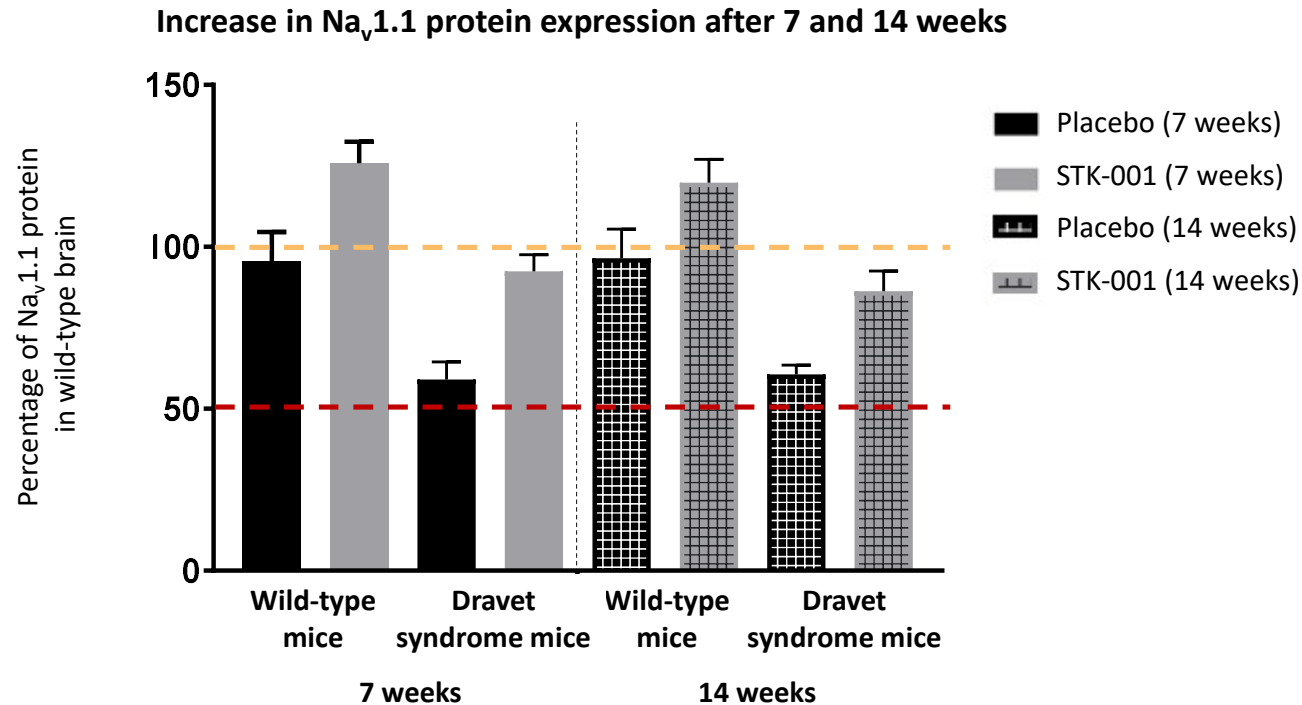
## STK-001 Increases *Scn1a* mRNA and Na<sub>v</sub>1.1 Protein in Wild-type Mice



Source: Stoke data

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## STK-001 Restores $\text{Na}_v1.1$ to Near Normal Levels for >3 Months in Dravet Syndrome Mice



In preclinical studies, STK-001 exhibits long-lasting exposure, suggesting the potential for a favorable dosing regimen of as few as two to three administrations per year in humans

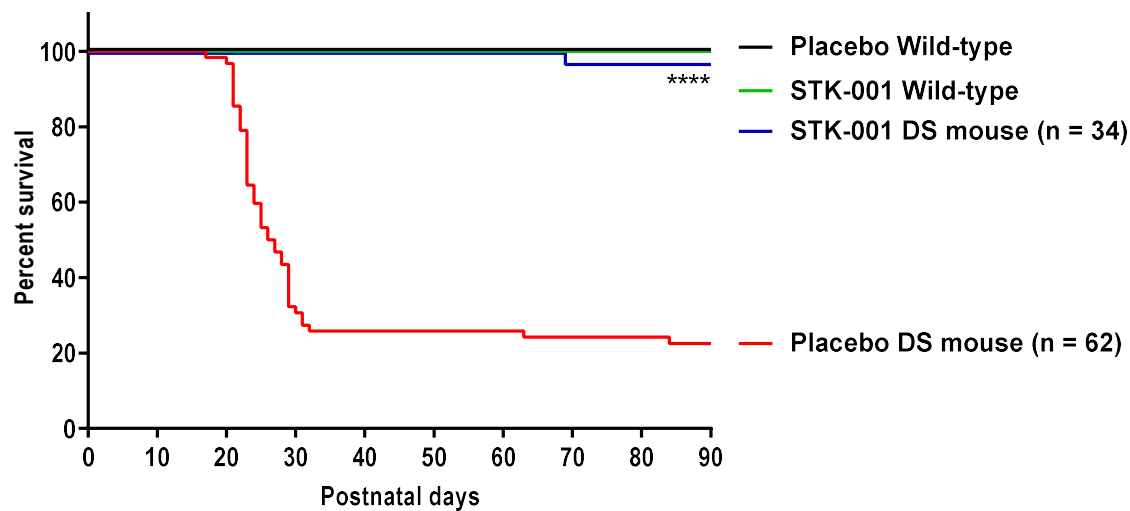
Note:  $\text{Na}_v1.1$  protein quantification based on standard curve obtained from untreated wild-type mouse brain as a reference control

Source: Stoke data; University of Michigan (in-life study)

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# STK-001 Significantly Reduces Premature Mortality in Dravet Syndrome Mice

Significant improvements in survival among Dravet syndrome mice after STK-001 administration (20µg) at postnatal day 2

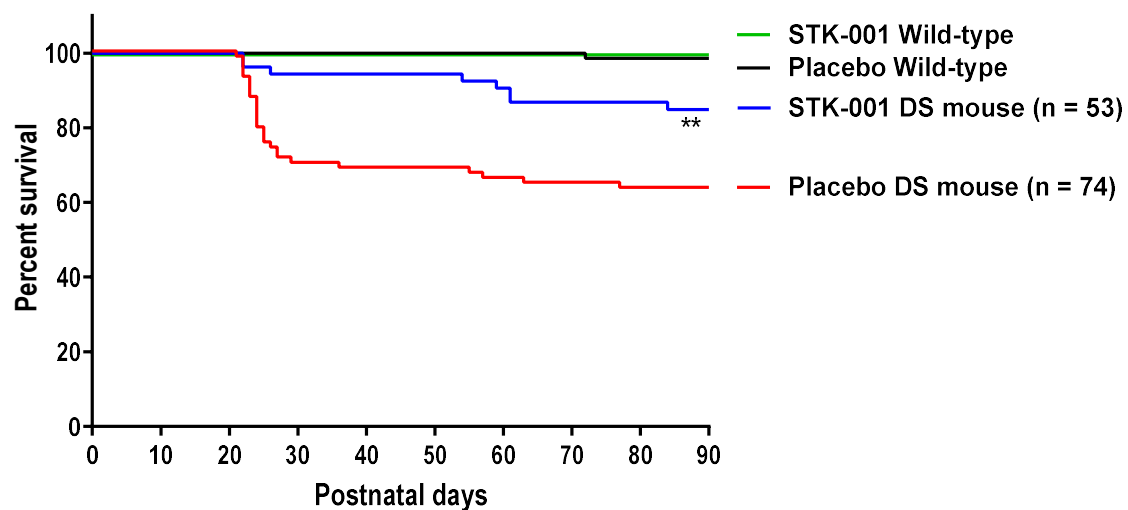


Source: Stoke data, presented at AES 2019

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## STK-001 Significantly Reduces Premature Mortality in Dravet Syndrome Mice

Significant improvements in survival among Dravet syndrome mice after STK-001 administration (60µg) at postnatal day 14



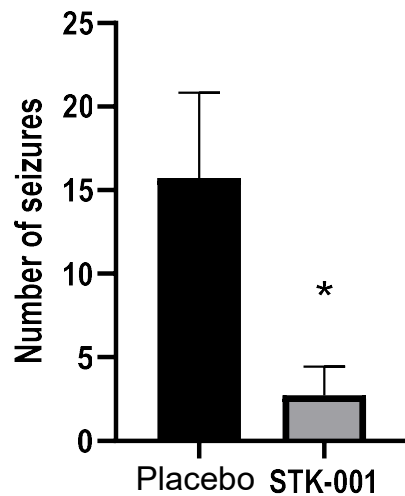
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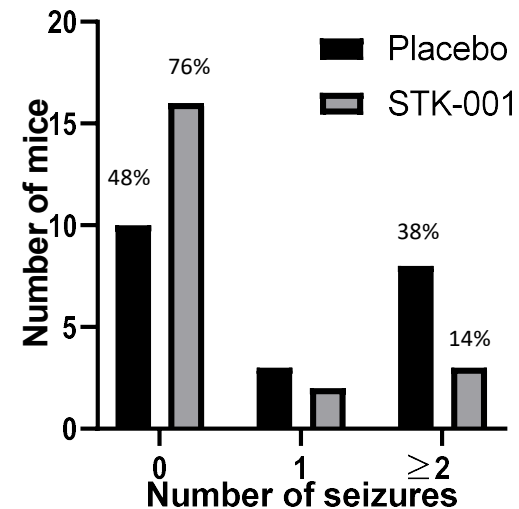
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## STK-001 Significantly Reduces Spontaneous Seizures in Dravet Syndrome Mice

**80% reduction in the average number of spontaneous seizures compared to placebo (p<0.05)**



**76% of mice treated with STK-001 were seizure-free compared to 48% of placebo-treated mice**



As measured between postnatal days (PND) 22 and 46 in Dravet syndrome mice after a single 20 µg injection of STK-001 at PND 2

Source: Stoke data, presented at AES 2019

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# Pivotal Preclinical Single and Multiple-Dose Toxicology Studies in NHPs Showed STK-001 Well-Tolerated

*The no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) in the GLP studies in NHPs exceeds the highest human equivalent dose that we plan to administer in our Phase 1/2a clinical study*

## Key safety findings from GLP studies

No observed adverse events at highest dose tested



No change in platelet counts or renal/hepatic function



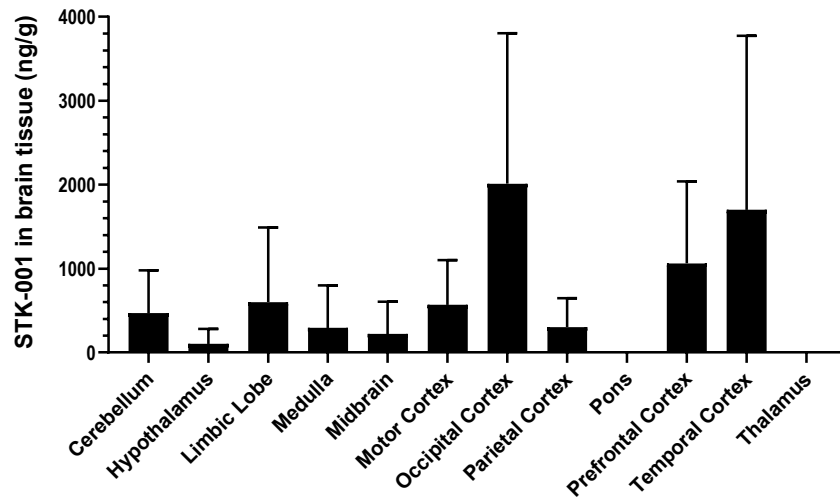
No adverse histopathology in brain, spinal cord, liver and kidney



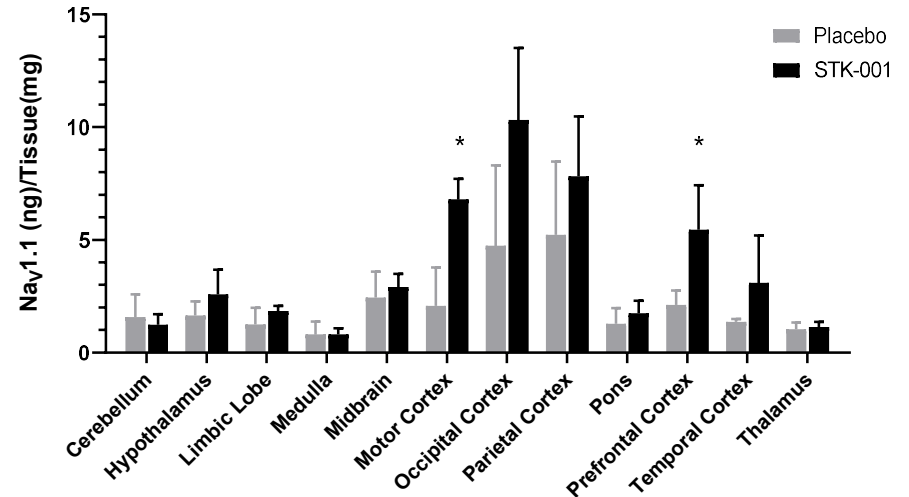


# STK-001 Achieves Broad Distribution and Increases Na<sub>v</sub>1.1 Protein Expression in NHPs (n=3)

Exposure of STK-001 observed in all brain regions except pons and thalamus



Na<sub>v</sub>1.1 protein levels increased up to 3-fold



Source: Stoke data, presented at AES 2019

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## BUTTERFLY Observational Study Ongoing

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- Two-year observational study of children and adolescents ages 2-18
- Designed to evaluate seizure frequency and non-seizure comorbidities associated with Dravet syndrome, including:
  - Intellectual disabilities
  - Developmental disabilities
  - Motor impairment
  - Speech impairment
  - Behavioral problems
  - Sleep abnormalities

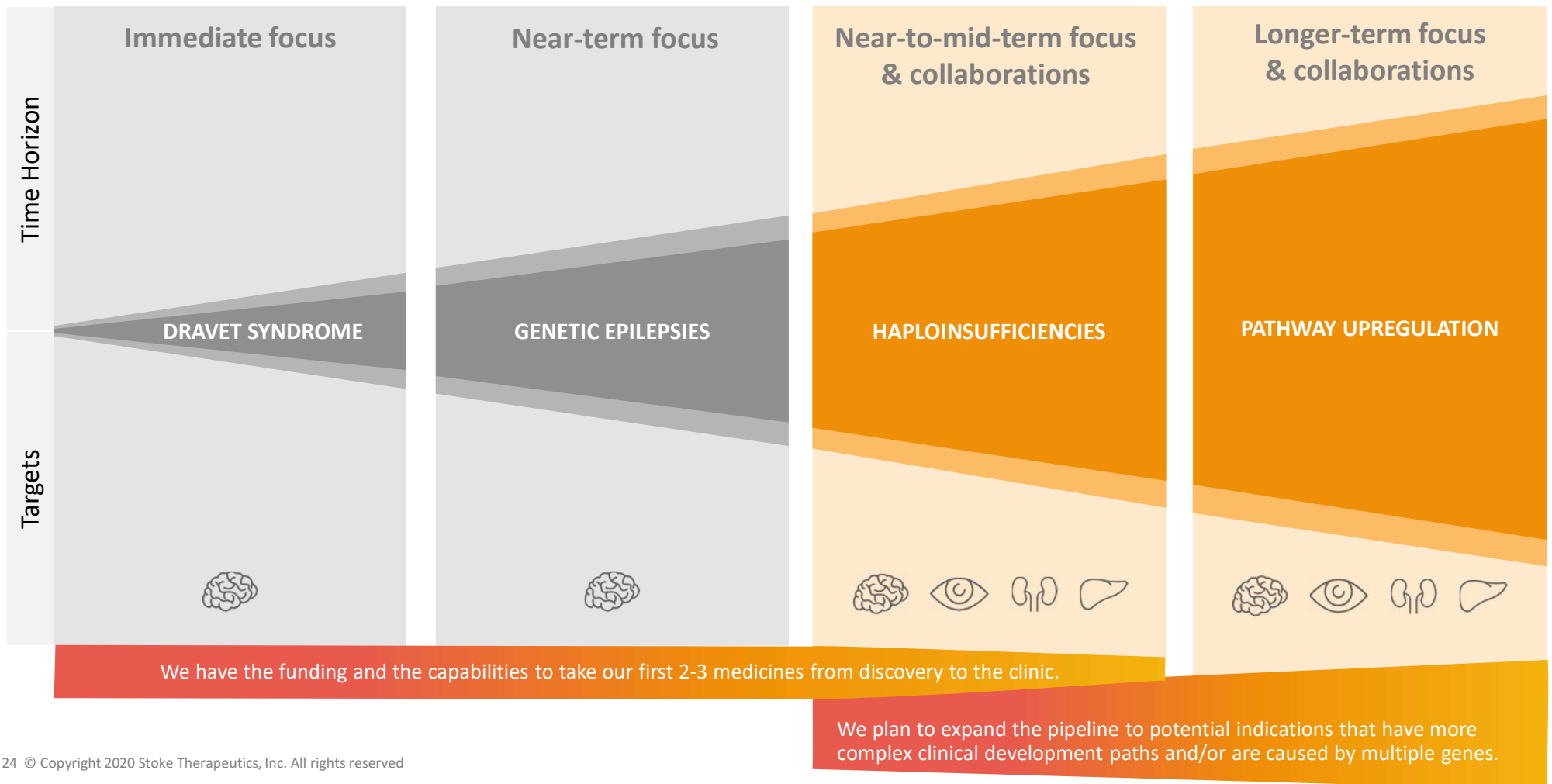
# MONARCH Phase 1/2a Trial Now Enrolling and Dosing Patients

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- Open-label study of children and adolescents ages 2-18 with Dravet syndrome
  - Plan to enroll ~40 patients at ~20 sites in the U.S.
  - **Primary endpoints:** safety and tolerability of a single-ascending dose, characterize human pharmacokinetics
  - **Secondary endpoints:** change in seizure frequency over 12-weeks, quality of life
- Two-part trial design:
  - **Part A** will evaluate two dose cohorts; first patient dosed August 2020
  - **Part B** will evaluate higher doses and is on partial clinical hold, pending data to more fully characterize STK-001's safety profile at doses higher than the current no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL). We have completed the single-dose toxicology study and are in the process of preparing our complete response to the FDA in order to facilitate the removal of the partial clinical hold.
  - For each dose level, sentinel group ages 13-18, followed by group ages 2-12
- Preliminary data expected in 2021



## Expanding the Pipeline Using Stoke's Proprietary Bioinformatics and TANGO



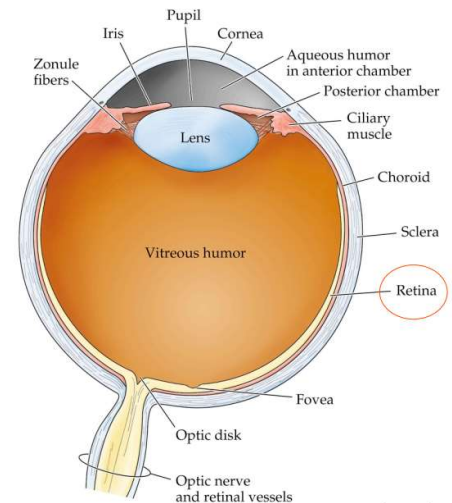
# TANGO May Also be Well Suited for Treatment of Eye Diseases

## Benefits of focusing on the eye for ASOs

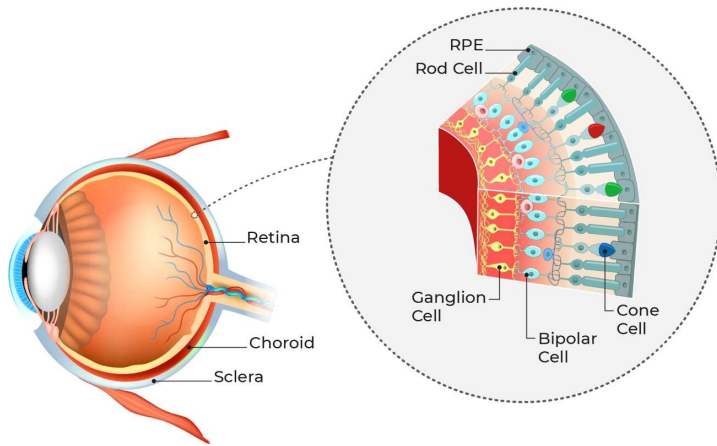
- Localized delivery
- Immune privileged and small treatment space (0.05% of total body weight)
- Contralateral control for clinical trials
- Availability of non-invasive measurements that reflect functional outcome (e.g. OCT)

## Advantages of TANGO for the eye

- Intravitreal delivery has safety & patient acceptance advantage over subretinal delivery
- Stoke preclinical data demonstrates long-term effects of up to 12 months
- Tunable and reversible control of level and specificity of protein expression
- No formulation or viral vector requirement
- Approved product precedence (Vitravene for cytomegalovirus retinitis)
- Potential to target large genes



# OPA1 Protein Deficiency is One of Several Eye Disease Targets Under Consideration



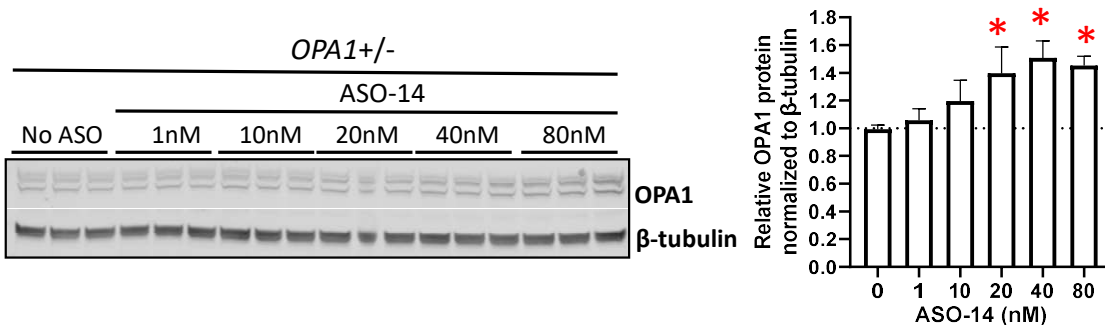
- Autosomal dominant optic atrophy (ADOA) is the most common inherited optic nerve disorder seen in clinical practice
- ADOA causes progressive and irreversible vision loss in both eyes starting in the first decade of life. Many children progress to blindness
- The disease affects 1/30,000 people globally with a higher incidence of ~ 1/10,000 in Denmark due to a founder effect
- 65%-90% of ADOA is caused by mutations in one allele of the *OPA1* gene which leads to haploinsufficiency and disease manifestation
- More than 400 different *OPA1* mutations have been reported in people diagnosed with ADOA
- Stoke's TANGO ASO targets a non-productive splicing event in the *OPA1* gene to increase productive mRNA in the retinal ganglion cells

Sources: Yu-Wai-Man P et al. The Prevalence and Natural History of Dominant Optic Atrophy Due to *OPA1* Mutations. *Ophthalmology*. 2010 August; 117(8): 1538-1546; Yu-Wai-Man P, Chinnery PF. Dominant Optic Atrophy: Novel *OPA1* Mutations and Revised Prevalence Estimates. *Ophthalmology*. Vol. 120, Number 8, August 2013: 1712-1712; 3. P. Amati-Bonneau P et al. *OPA1*-associated disorders: phenotypes and pathophysiology. *The International Journal of Biochemistry & Cell Biology* 41, 1855-1865 (2009); "What is ADOA?" Autosomal Dominant Optic Atrophy Association. Accessed May 6, 2020, from <https://www.adocaa.org/what-is-adoa>; Lenaers G, Hamel C, Delettre C, et al. Dominant optic atrophy. *Orphanet J Rare Dis* 7, 46 (2012); Chun BY and Rizzo JF III. Dominant optic atrophy: updates on the pathophysiology and clinical manifestations of optic atrophy 1 mutation. *Curr Opin Ophthalmol* 2016; 27:475-480; Le Roux B, Lenaers G, Zanlonghi X et al. *OPA1*: 516 unique variants and 831 patients registered in an updated centralized Variome database. *Orphanet J Rare Dis* 14, 214 (2019).



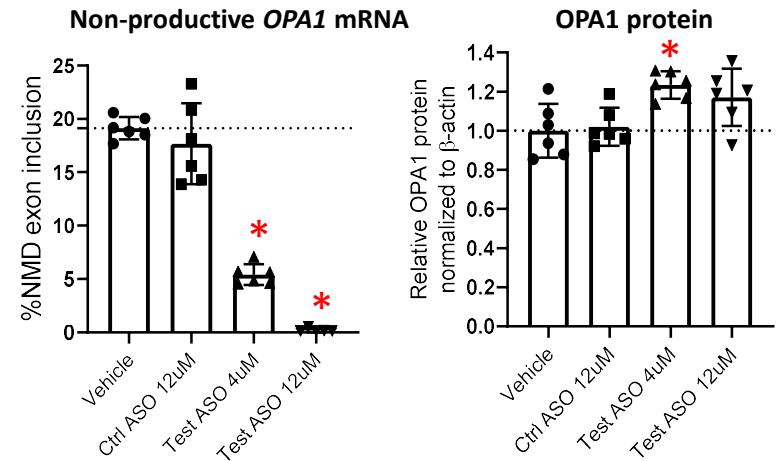
# TANGO ASOs Demonstrated *In Vitro* and *In Vivo* Target Engagement & Protein Upregulation in OPA1 Protein Deficiency

## ASO increases OPA1 expression in an OPA1 haploinsufficient (OPA1<sup>+/-</sup>) cell line



ASO increases OPA1 protein levels in OPA1<sup>+/-</sup> HEK293 cells by 50%, which translates to 75% of wild-type levels.

## Rabbit ASO decreases non-productive splicing & increases OPA1 expression in wild-type rabbit retinae



ASO was administered by intravitreal injection and was well tolerated for up to 15 days after IVT injection.

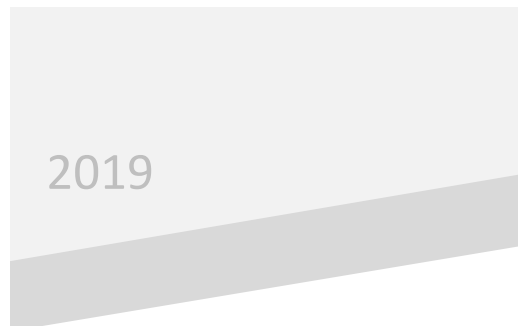
Source: Stoke Data. Antisense oligonucleotide mediated increase of OPA1 expression using TANGO technology for treatment of autosomal dominant optic atrophy. ASGCT, May 2020

## Rapidly Scaling Stoke to Support Growth as a Clinical-Stage Company



### Stoke is Launched

- Closed \$40M Series A financing
- Nominated Dravet syndrome as lead program; generated *in-vivo* proof of concept
- Completed FDA pre-IND meeting
- Closed \$90M Series B financing
- Built robust intellectual property estate



### Stoke is Poised to Enter the Clinic

- Completed \$163.3M Initial Public Offering
- Received FDA orphan drug designation for STK-001, a potential disease modifying medicine for Dravet syndrome
- Enrolled first patient in the BUTTERFLY observational study
- Presented preclinical data supporting efficacy of STK-001
- Submitted IND for STK-001 to the U.S. FDA



### Stoke Becomes a Clinical-Stage Company

- ✓ Early 2020: FDA communicated that Part A of MONARCH may proceed with dosing
- ✓ 2H 2020: Began enrollment and dosing of patients in MONARCH in Aug. 2020
- ❑ 2H 2020: Nominate new candidate for preclinical development in an additional genetic disease
- ❑ Continuously evaluate potential collaborations to expand the pipeline
- ❑ Build the organization and capabilities to scale as a clinical-stage company

## Current Financials Anticipated to Fund Operations into 2023

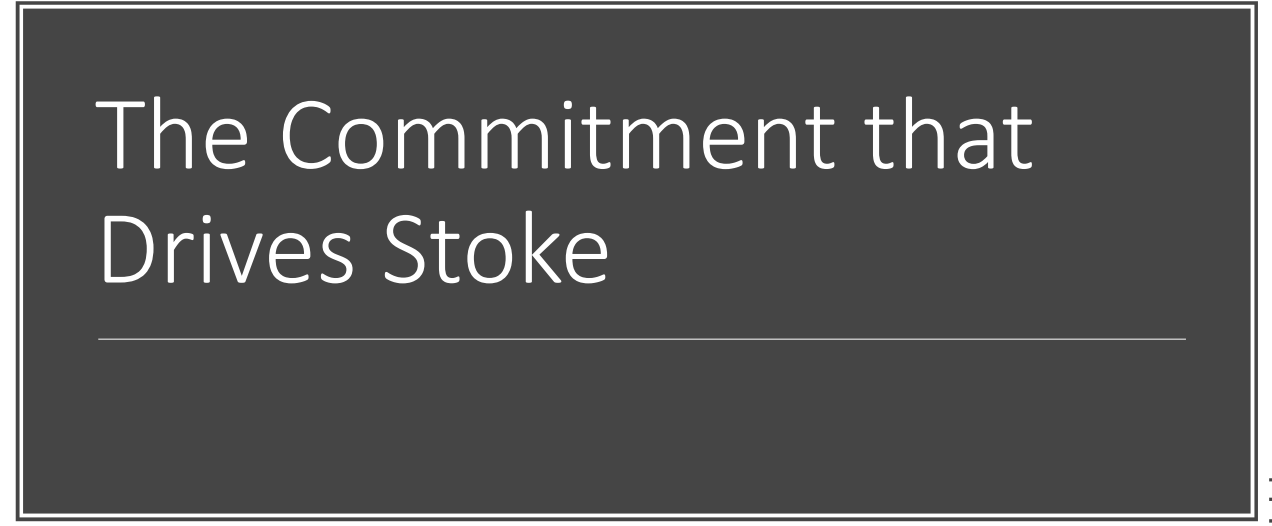
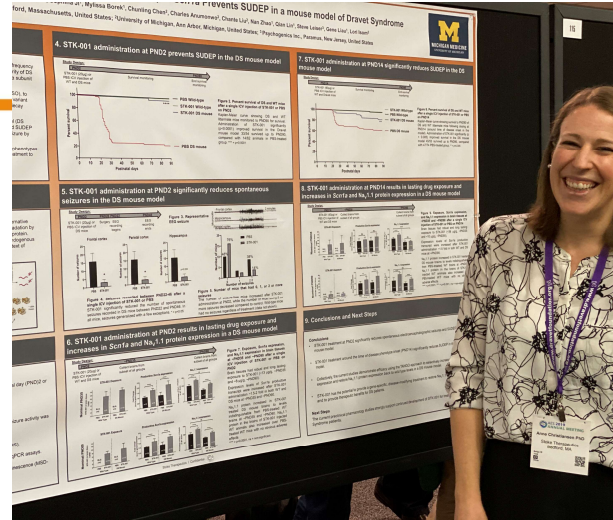
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**Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash**  
*as of 06/30/2020*

**\$202.1 million**

**Common Shares Outstanding**  
*as of 06/30/2020*

**33,212,544**





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