



# Developing Life-Changing Therapies for Severe Neurological Diseases

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# Building a Leading Neuro Gene Therapy Company



AAV Gene Therapy

Voyager Therapeutics is at the intersection of gene therapy and the central nervous system

Severe Neurological Diseases



Developing **life-changing AAV gene therapies** for people living with **severe neurological diseases**

Lead program, VY-AADC (NB1b-1817) in Parkinson's disease in pivotal trial; **long-term Phase 1 data expected in 2H 2020**

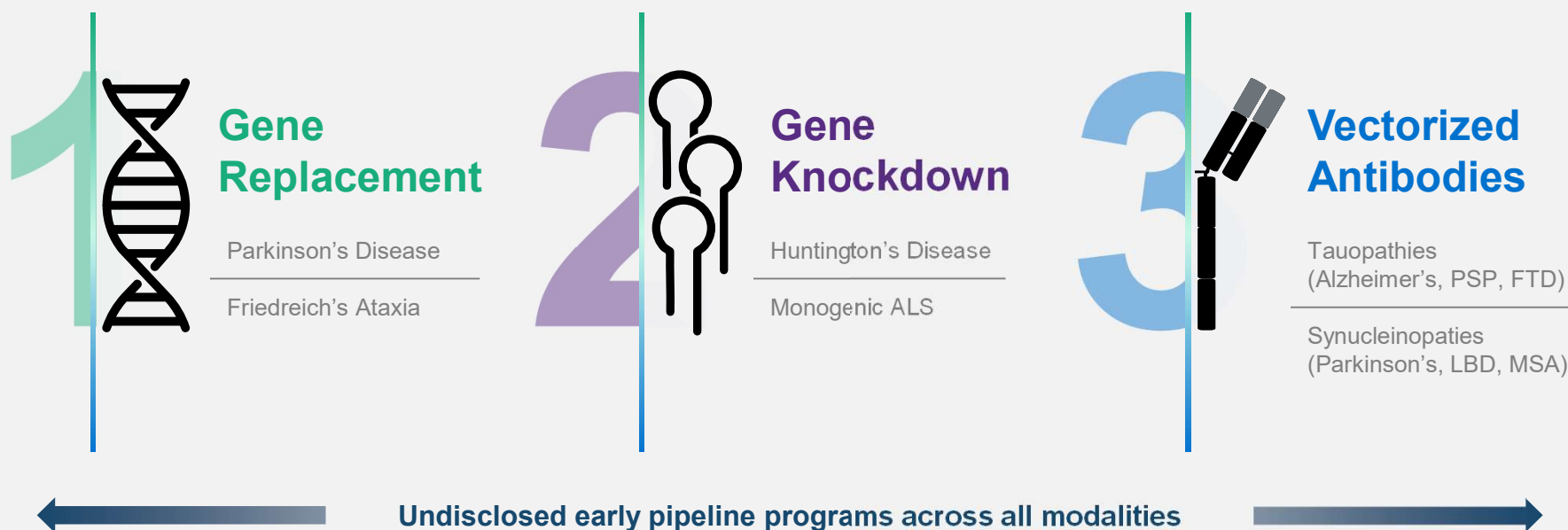
**Balanced pipeline** of wholly owned and partnered programs; **validating partnerships** with Neurocrine Biosciences and Abbvie

**Unique approach leveraging three therapeutic modalities** to enable expanded targeting of neurological diseases

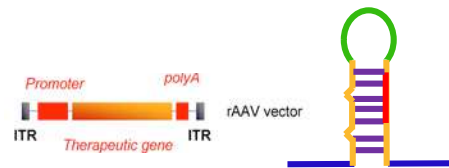
**Extensive expertise** in AAV vector engineering & optimization, manufacturing and delivery techniques

# Leveraging Three Distinct Therapeutic Modalities

Three-pronged approach to developing gene therapies allows for addressing an expanded pipeline of neurological diseases

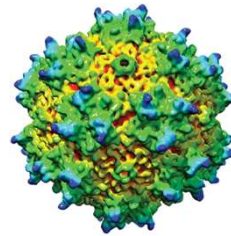


# Gene Therapy Development Requires Multiple Optimizations



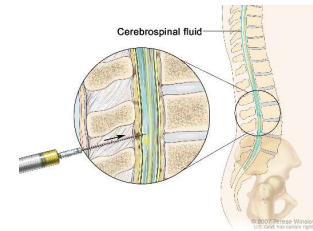
## Vector Genome Design

Transgene sequence  
& promoter selection  
for potent and  
selective pharmacology  
in target tissue



## AAV Capsid Selection




Tropism for relevant  
tissue and cell types



## Delivery Optimization

Translatable dosing  
paradigm that provides  
target distribution profile  
in relevant tissues

# Focused on Severe Neurological Diseases

| Product Program                             | Preclinical   | Phase 1/2 | Phase 3/Pivotal | Registration |   |
|---|---|-----------|-----------------|--------------|---|
| VY-AADC <sup>1</sup>                        | Advancing Parkinson's Disease   |           |                 |              | <br>Co-develop, co-commercialize |
| VY-HTT01                                    | Huntington's Disease  |           |                 |              |   |
| VY-SOD102 <sup>2</sup>                      | Monogenic ALS   |           |                 |              |   |
| VY-FXN01 <sup>1</sup>                       | Friedreich's Ataxia   |           |                 |              | <br>Co-develop, co-commercialize |
| Tau & Alpha-Synuclein Programs <sup>3</sup> | Tauopathies (Alzheimer's, PSP, FTD) & Synucleinopathies (Parkinson's, LBD, MSA) |           |                 |              |                                |
| Early Pipeline                              | Undisclosed   |           |                 |              |   |

(1) Voyager has option to co-commercialize U.S. or grant Neurocrine global commercial rights (2) Voyager intends to seek a partner to advance

(3) PSP = Progressive Supranuclear Palsy, FTD = Frontotemporal Dementia, LBD = Lewy Body Dementia, MSA = Multiple System Atrophy





## VY-AADC for Parkinson's Disease

# Parkinson's Disease: ~1 Million Underserved Patients in the U.S.

## Overview

- Loss of neurons and critical AADC enzyme in the midbrain that produce dopamine leads to progressive loss of motor function and less responsiveness to levodopa
- Severe, debilitating loss of motor function including rigidity, postural instability, gait freezing, and difficulty with speech and swallowing
- Current treatment standard still has significant limitations

## Voyager Clinical Development

- RESTORE-1 pivotal trial (in collaboration with Neurocrine)
- One-time treatment with VY-AADC restores AADC enzyme activity and improves levodopa sensitivity with potential to improve clinical motor function

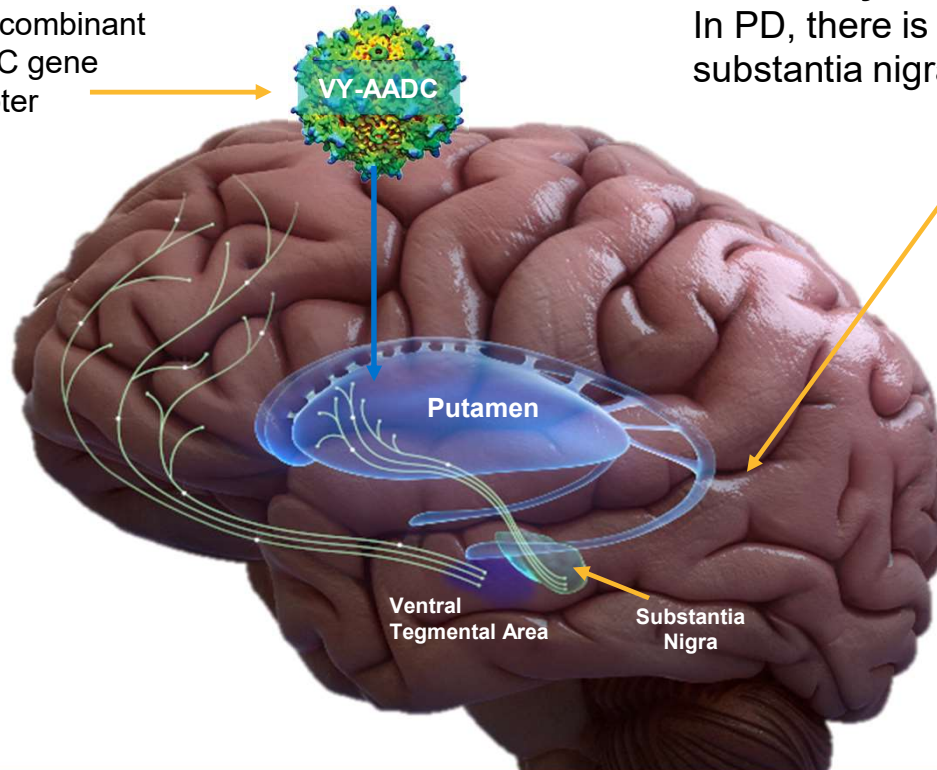
(1) Michael J. Fox Foundation





## VY-AADC Aims to Restore AADC Enzyme Activity

- AAV-2 Capsid/Recombinant
- cDNA of the AADC gene
- CMV early promoter



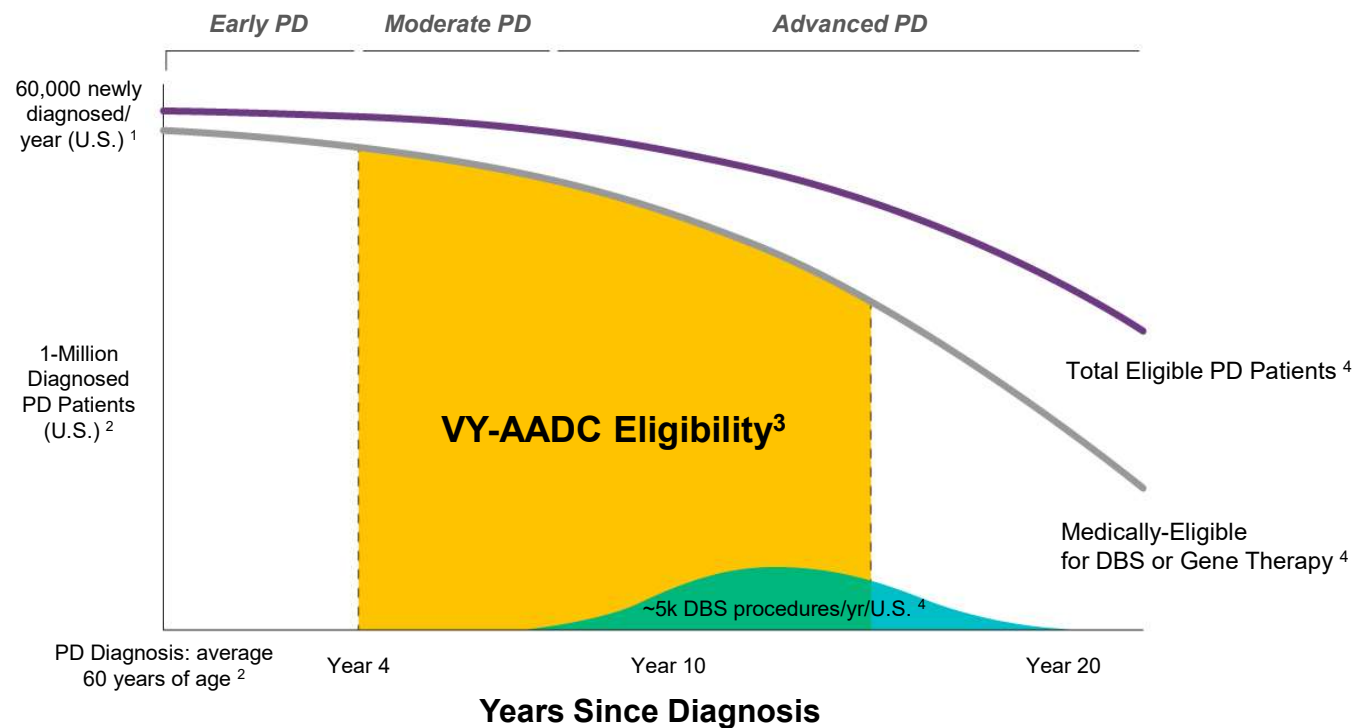
### The Ability to Make AADC is Lost as PD Advances

In PD, there is progressive loss of fibers from the substantia nigra to the putamen

### Approach: Introduce AADC to Healthy Postsynaptic Neurons in the Putamen

to replace degrading enzyme, improve levodopa sensitivity, and potentially improve clinical motor function

# VY-AADC: Parkinson's Disease Patient Eligibility



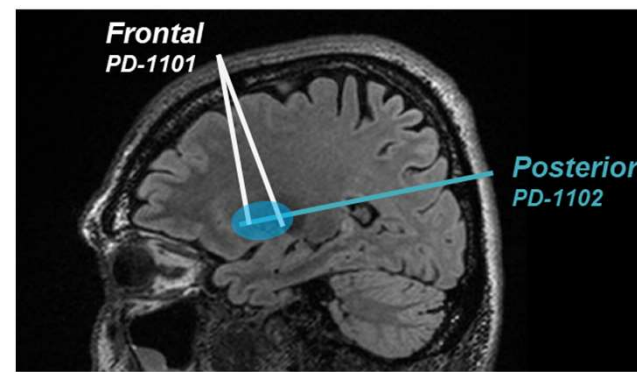
(1) Parkinson.org (2) Michael J. Fox Foundation (3) VY-AADC Phase 2 eligibility > 4 years since diagnosis > 3 hours diary OFF time (4) Voyager estimates

# Phase 1 Program to Optimize Dosing and Delivery

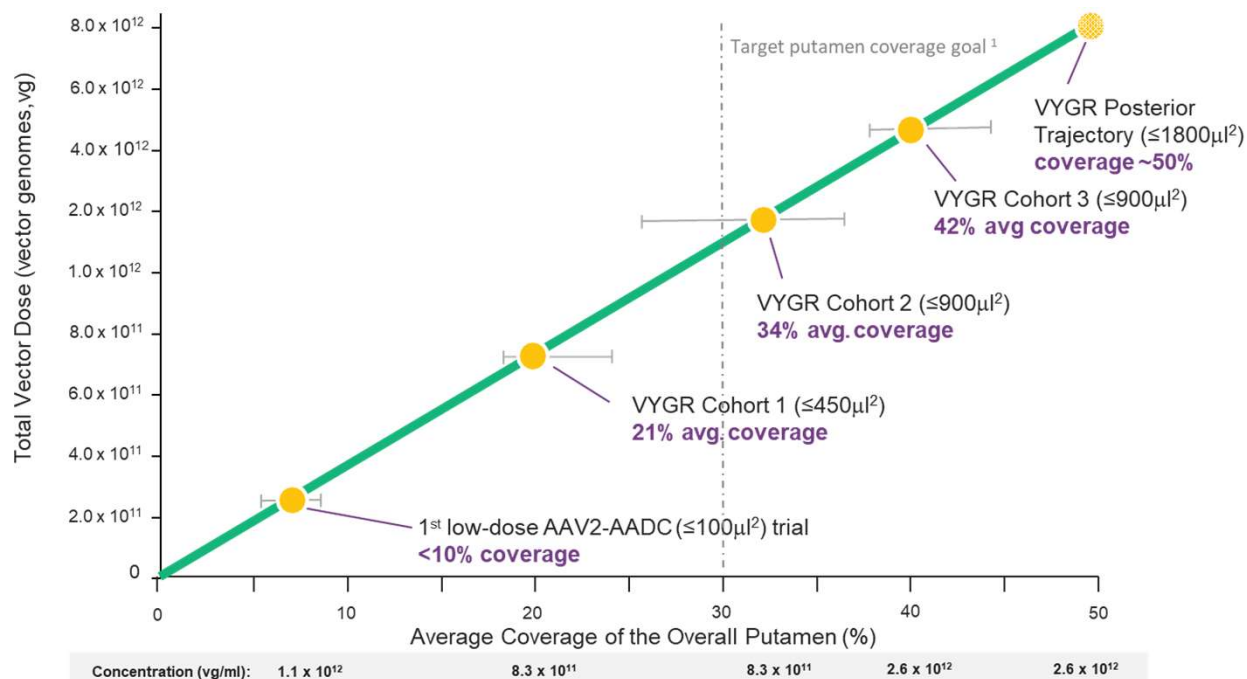
**PD-1101:** Two or more trajectories per putamen with frontal approach

**PD-1102:** One trajectory per putamen with posterior approach

| Study and Cohort | N | Volume per Putamen | Concentration              | Total Dose                    |
|------------------|---|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| PD-1101 cohort 1 | 5 | Up to 450 $\mu$ L  | $8.3 \times 10^{11}$ vg/mL | Up to $7.5 \times 10^{11}$ vg |
| PD-1101 cohort 2 | 5 | Up to 900 $\mu$ L  | $8.3 \times 10^{11}$ vg/mL | Up to $1.5 \times 10^{12}$ vg |
| PD-1101 cohort 3 | 5 | Up to 900 $\mu$ L  | $2.6 \times 10^{12}$ vg/mL | Up to $4.7 \times 10^{12}$ vg |
| PD-1102          | 8 | Up to 1800 $\mu$ L | $2.6 \times 10^{12}$ vg/mL | Up to $9.4 \times 10^{12}$ vg |



# Phase 1 Dose Escalation and Putamen Coverage



Source: Christine, CW. Neurology 2009; 73:1662-1669, Voyager Therapeutics June 22, 2016 and January 20, 2017 press releases

(1) Target putamen coverage goal based on preclinical data from non-human primates

(2) Volume of infusion per putamen



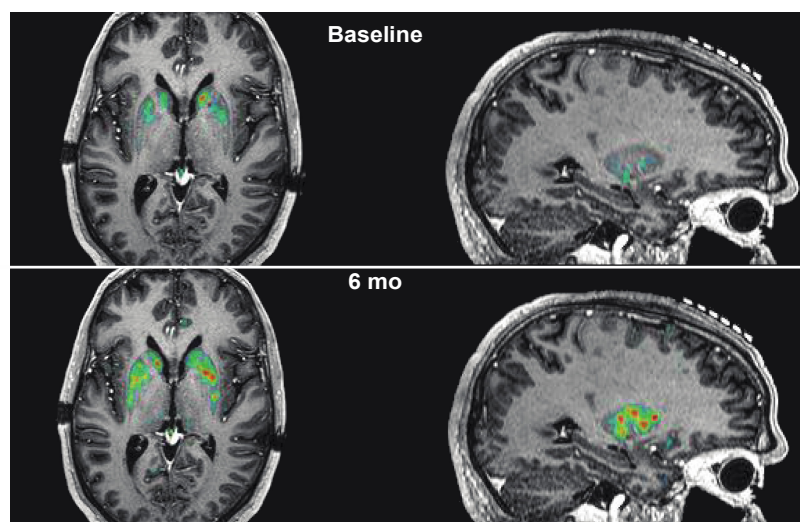
# VY-AADC Phase 1 Baseline Characteristics

|                       | PD-1101<br>Cohort 1 | PD-1101<br>Cohort 2 | PD-1102<br>Cohort 3 | PD-1102          |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Age                   | 57.4 (7.2)          | 58.4 (8.6)          | 57.4 (4.5)          | 56.8 (11.0)      |
| Sex                   | 1 Female, 4 Male    | 5 Male              | 1 Female, 4 Male    | 1 Female, 7 Male |
| PD Duration (years)   | 9.9 (4.6)           | 10.1 (1.6)          | 8.5 (3.6)           | 9.2 (5.9)        |
| UPDRS II off          | 13.6 (2.1)          | 16.0 (1.7)          | 19.8 (7.8)          | 15.3 (5.9)       |
| UPDRS II on           | 3.0 (2.9)           | 3.6 (1.7)           | 5.0 (3.9)           | 3.5 (4.3)        |
| UPDRS III off         | 37.2 (5.9)          | 35.8 (7.6)          | 38.2 (9.7)          | 34.9 (5.2)       |
| UPDRS III on          | 7.6 (5.1)           | 17.0 (3.8)          | 16.0 (3.1)          | 11.4 (5.9)       |
| Diary off-time (hrs)  | 4.9 (1.7)           | 4.2 (1.4)           | 4.7 (1.2)           | 6.8 (1.6)        |
| Diary on-time (hrs)   | 10.5 (2.1)          | 10.7 (1.8)          | 10.3 (1.6)          | 9.1 (1.5)        |
| Hoehn and Yahr Stage  | 3.0 (0.0)           | 3.0 (0.0)           | 3.4 (0.49)          | 2.8 (0.27)       |
| UDysRS Total Score    | 19.2 (6.0)          | 17.4 (5.6)          | 30.2 (3.9)          | 22.8 (13.7)      |
| LED <sup>(1)</sup> mg | 1467.5 (615.0)      | 1635.5 (687.3)      | 1476.5 (429.1)      | 1557.1 (507.6)   |

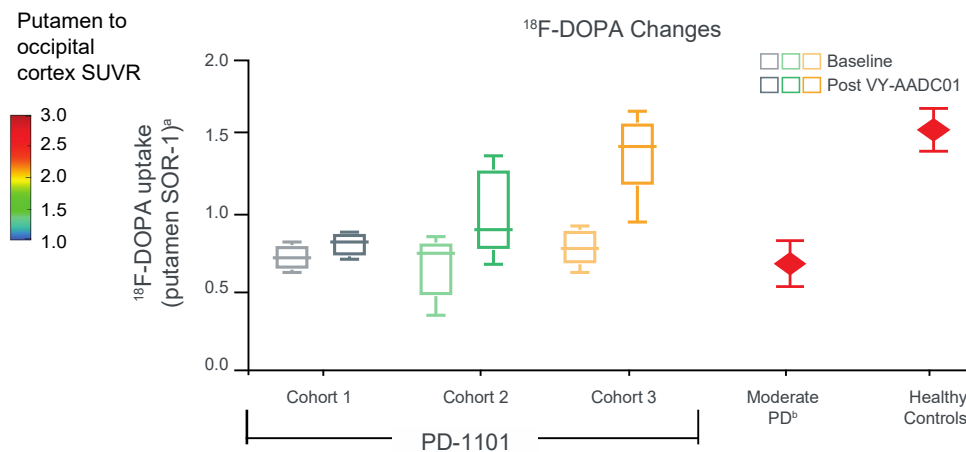
(1) Levodopa Equivalent Dose  
Mean (standard deviation)

# Demonstrated Improvements to AADC in Phase 1 Studies

## *PD-1101: Increased AADC Enzyme Activity Detected by PET Imaging and F-Dopa Uptake*



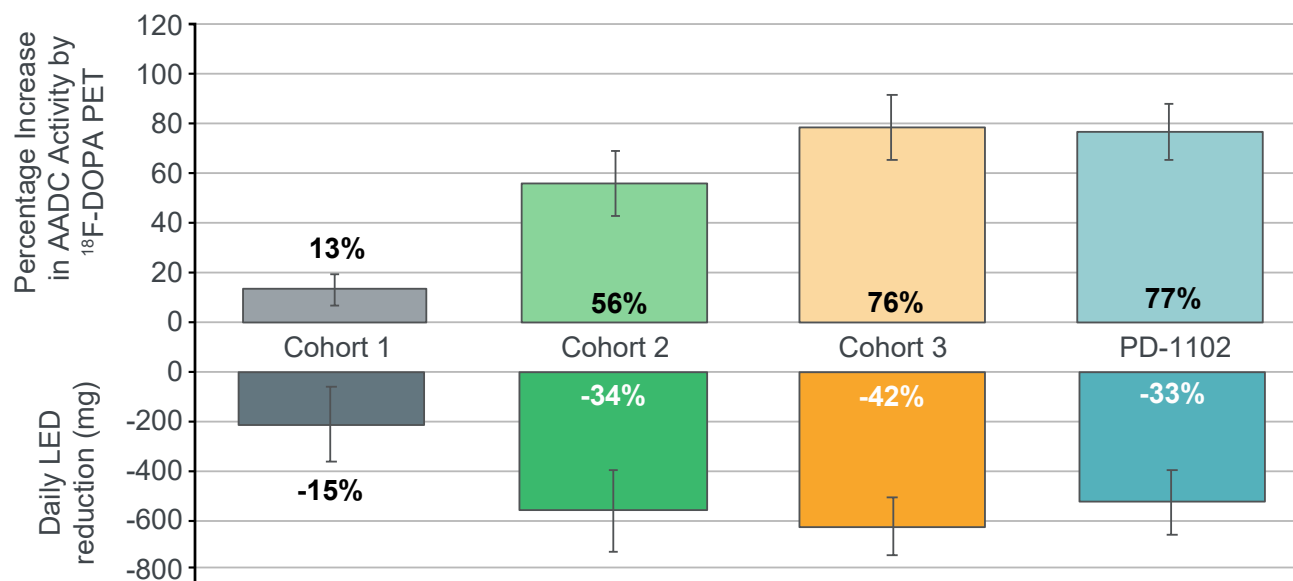
PET, Positron Emission Tomography



Imaging frames captured 65–75 min after <sup>18</sup>F-DOPA administration. <sup>a</sup>Standardized uptake ratios (SORs) were calculated using bilaterally averaged occipital time-activity curve (kBq/mL) region-of-interest values in each subject; <sup>b</sup>data from reference 11.

Source: Poster Presentation, International Parkinson and Movement Disorder Society 2018

## Increases in AADC Activity and Decreases in LED at 6 months



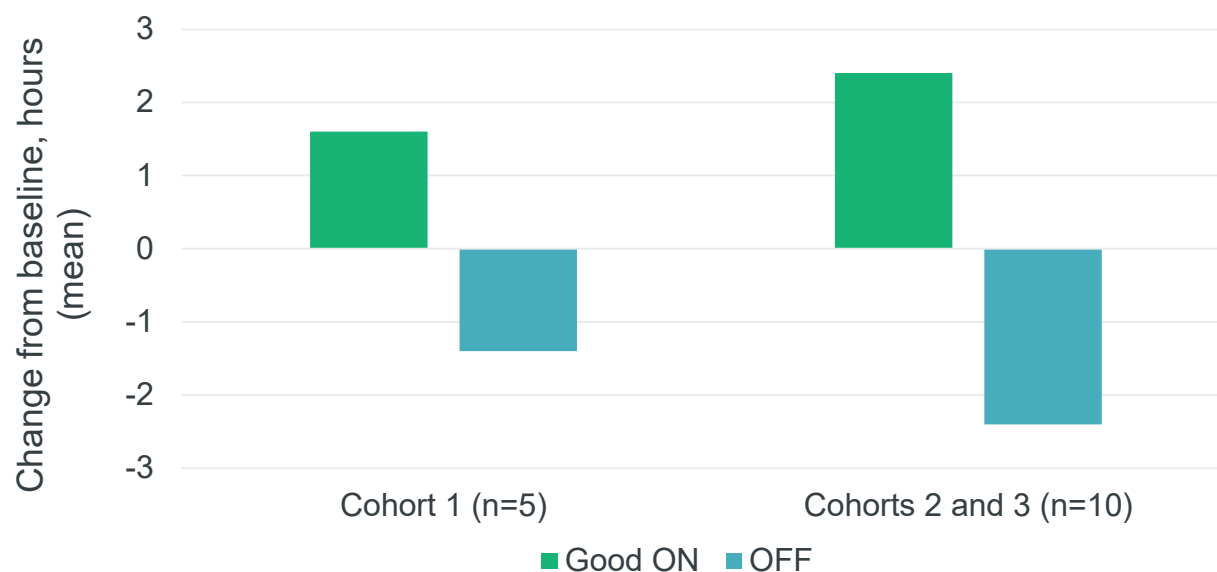
*Reductions in LED (Levodopa Equivalent Dose) sustained at higher dose cohorts:*

- 21% reduction for Cohort 2 at 2 years
- 43% reduction for Cohort 3 at 18-months

Source: Voyager Therapeutics

# Clinically Meaningful Improvements Demonstrated in Phase 1

Improvement in Good ON time (primary endpoint in pivotal trials) and reduction in OFF time at 12 months



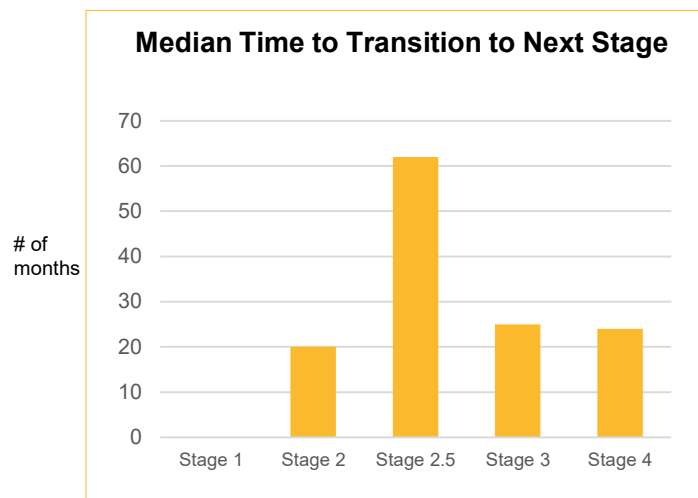
Source: Voyager Therapeutics press release 11/7/18



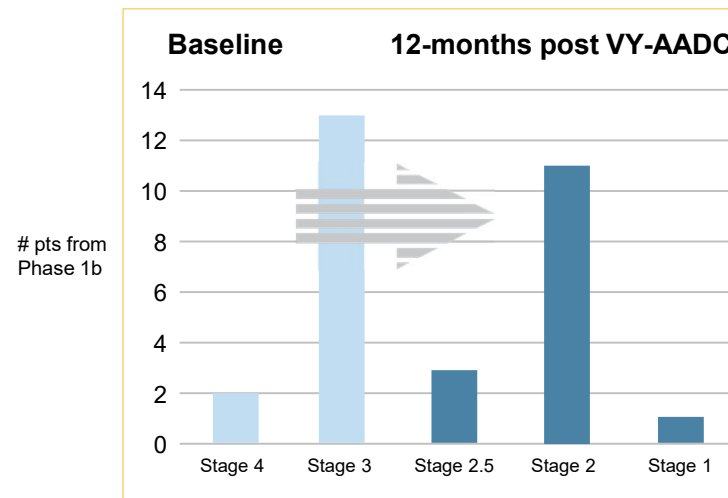
# VY-AADC Phase 1: Shift in Disease Staging

Observed shift in disease progression based on mH&Y stages<sup>1</sup>

Zhao et al.



VY-AADC Phase 1b results



(1) mH&Y= modified Hoehn and Yahr scale. Shift assessment based on median time to transit per Stage from Zhao et al, Mov Disord. 2013  
Stage 1=unilateral disease, Stage 2= bilateral disease w/o impairment of balance, Stage 2.5=mild bilateral disease, with recovery on pull test, Stage 3=  
mild to moderate bilateral disease; some postural instability; physically independent, Stage 4=severe disability; still able to walk or stand unassisted

## PD-1101: Safety Summary

- Surgical procedure successfully completed in all 15 patients
- Infusions of VY-AADC have been well-tolerated with no vector-related serious adverse events (SAEs)
- 14 of 15 patients were discharged from the hospital within two days following surgery
- As previously reported, one patient experienced two SAEs - a pulmonary embolism, or blood clot in the lung, and related heart arrhythmia, or irregular heartbeat
  - Patient treated with an anti coagulant and symptoms associated with the SAEs have completely resolved
  - Investigators determined that this was most likely related to immobility during the surgical procedure and subsequent formation of a blood clot, or deep vein thrombosis (DVT), in the lower extremity; consequently, DVT prophylaxis was added to the surgical protocol and no subsequent events have been observed following implementation of these measures

## Posterior Trajectory Phase 1 Trial (PD-1102)

- Completed dosing in 8 patients
- 54% average putaminal coverage
- Reduced infusion time by two hours (from five hours to three hours) compared with PD-1101
- Confirmed the findings from PD-1101 that VY-AADC leads to increases in AADC enzyme activity and improvements in motor function and quality of life in patients with Parkinson's disease – with less need for oral levodopa medication
- Well-tolerated, no serious adverse events

# RESTORE-1: First Pivotal Trial of VY-AADC

Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trials evaluating the safety and efficacy of VY-AADC for the treatment of Parkinson's disease in ~85 patients (randomized 2:1)

## Dose

Total dose of up to  $2.5 \times 10^{12}$  vector genomes

## Primary endpoint

ON time without troublesome dyskinesia, or good ON time, as measured by a self-reported patient diary at 12 months.

## Biomarker data

VY-AADC putaminal coverage, AADC enzyme expression and activity by PET

## Inclusion criteria

- PD diagnosis  $\geq 4$  yrs
- 3 hours of OFF time
- Not responding adequately to oral medications

## Secondary endpoints

- Diary OFF time
- Changes in daily doses of oral levodopa
- Other motor function and quality of life measures from the UPDRS-II,-III scores, the PDQ-39, and PGI and CGI scores.



# RESTORE-1 Trial Sites at Top Academic Centers

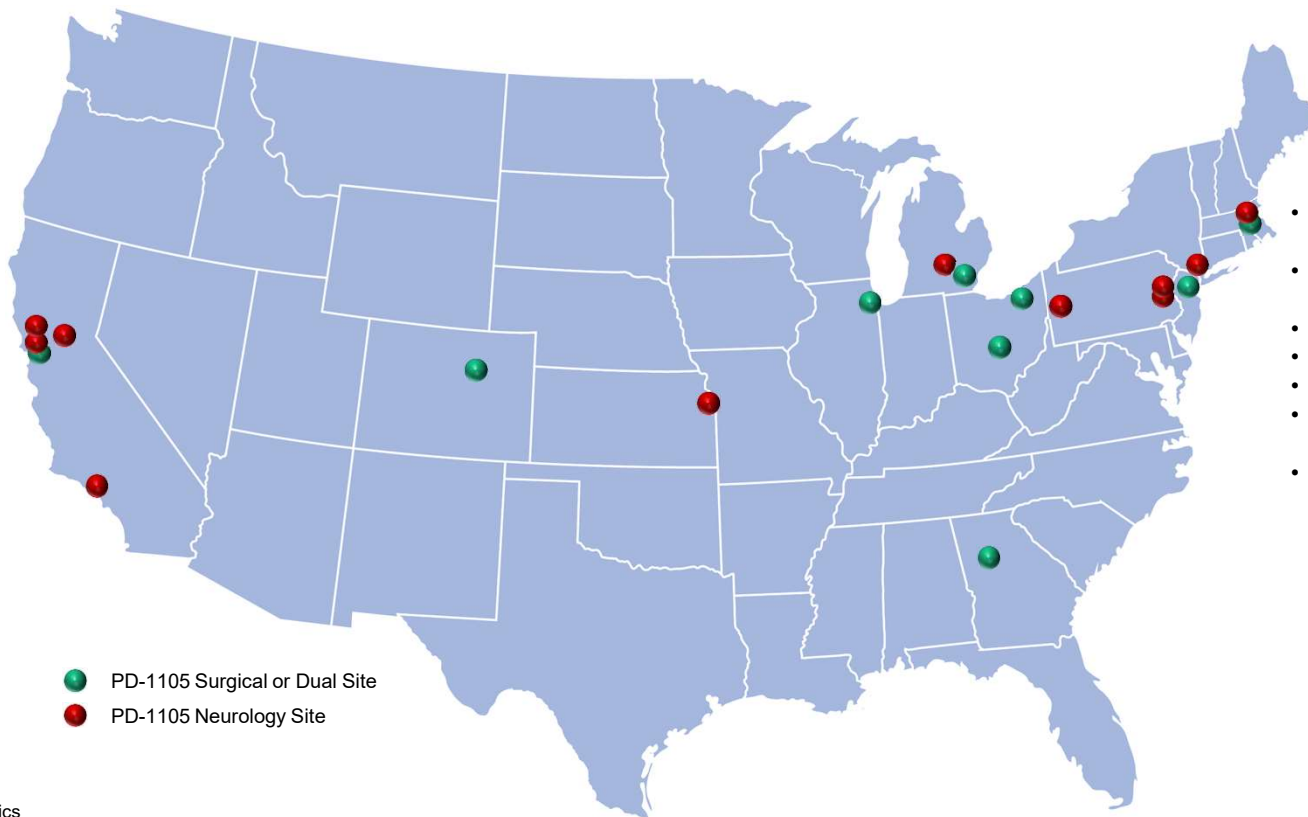
## Over 20 Surgical and Neuro Sites

- University of Pittsburgh Medical College
- Ohio State
- Cleveland Clinic
- Michigan State
- University of Michigan
- Northwestern University

- University of California, San Francisco
- San Francisco VA Medical Center
- University of Colorado
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of Kansas

- PD-1105 Surgical or Dual Site
- PD-1105 Neurology Site

- Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
- University of Pennsylvania
- Hackensack
- New York University
- Tufts University
- Thomas Jefferson University
- Emory University



Source: Voyager Therapeutics



VY-HTT01 for Huntington's Disease

# Huntington's Disease: ~30,000 Patients in the U.S.

## Overview

- Progressive decline of motor and cognitive functions; symptoms occur during ages of 30 to 50 and worsen over a 10 to 25-year period
- Toxic gain-of-function mutation in the huntingtin, or HTT, gene (CAG expansion) leads to abnormal intracellular huntingtin protein aggregates causing neuronal cell death

## Voyager Clinical Development

- VY-HTT01: anti-HTT RNAi gene therapy to knockdown HTT mRNA in striatum and cortex to slow disease progression
- VY-HTT01 in IND-enabling studies

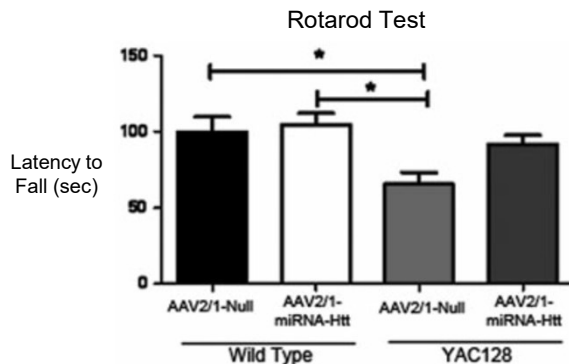


# AAV Gene Therapy Rationale for Lowering HTT

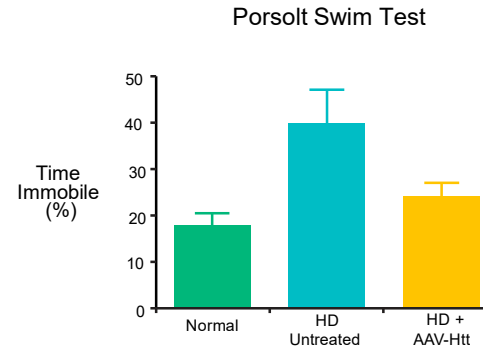
- Mutant huntingtin is causal for disease and has numerous deleterious molecular and cellular effects
- Transgenic models confirm pathogenicity of poly-Q HTT
- RNAi or ASO studies in HD animal models demonstrate that partial lowering of HTT provides potential therapeutic benefit and is well-tolerated

*> 40% knockdown of HTT results in significant functional benefit*

~55% Knockdown of HTT with AAV Ameliorates Rotarod Deficits in Mouse Model (YAC128)



~55% Knockdown of HTT with AAV Normalizes Depressive Behavior in Mouse Model (YAC128)



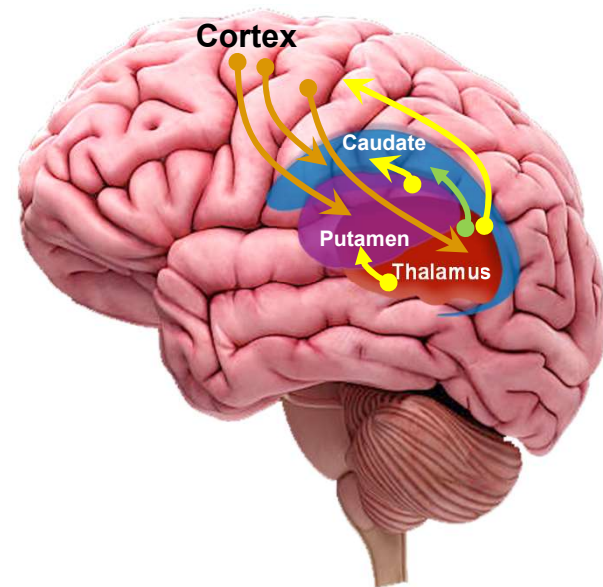


# Putamen and Thalamus Route of Delivery Leverages Rich Connections

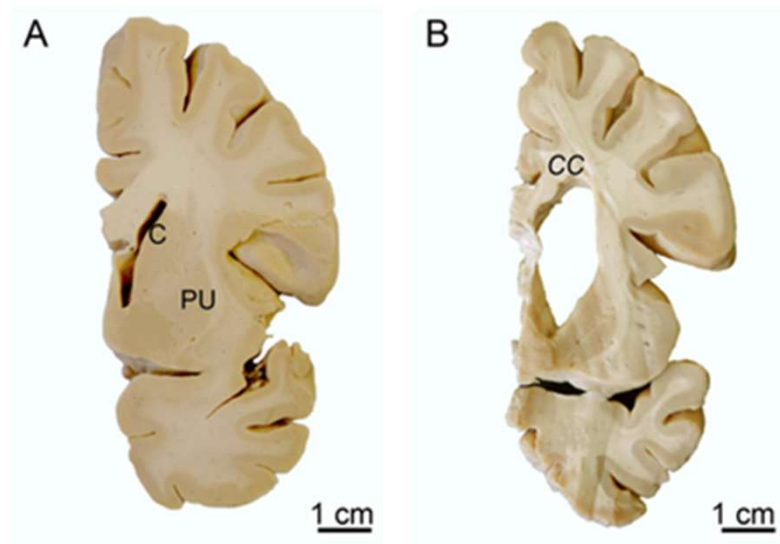
**Putamen and thalamus delivery leverages more extensive and preserved neuronal pathways to the cortex than delivery to the putamen alone**

## ***Targeting the thalamus:***

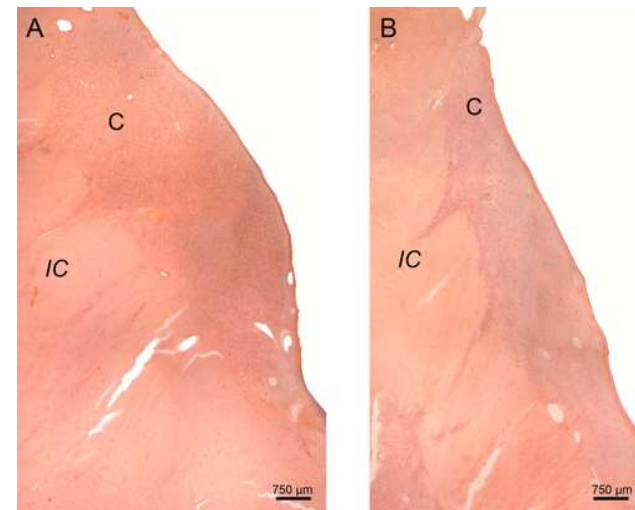
- Extensive connectivity with the cortex and basal ganglia
- Preserved connectivity relative to the atrophic basal ganglia
- Relatively limited perivascular space enlargement
- Less challenging surgical trajectories



## Huntington's Disease Brain Shows Significant Atrophy and Neuronal Loss in the Caudate



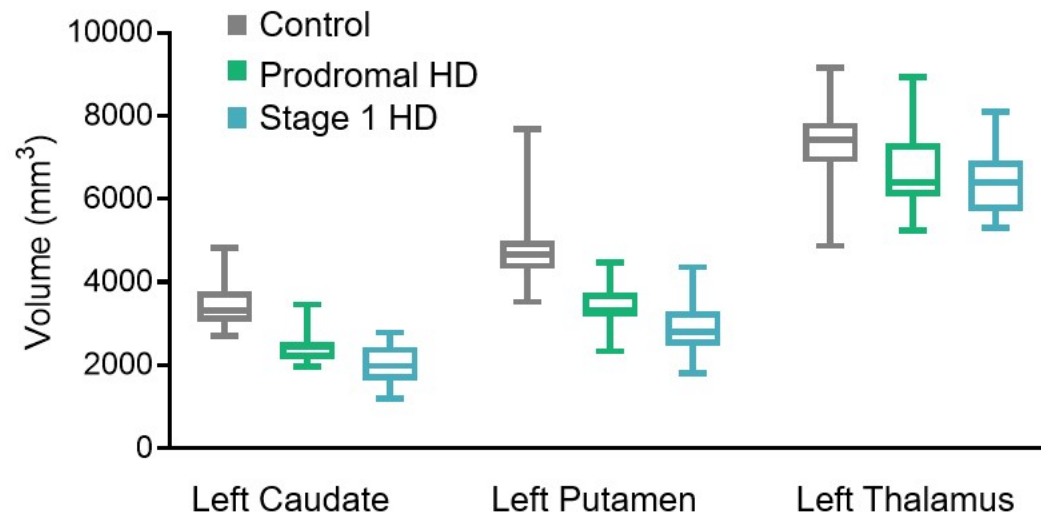
- (A) Frontal section through the basal forebrain of a representative control individual caudate nucleus (C) and putamen (PU).
- (B) Frontal section through the same basal forebrain level of a genetically confirmed Huntington's disease (HD) patient



- (A) Frontal section through the head of the caudate nucleus (C) of a representative control individual.
- (B) Marked neuronal loss of the caudate of a representative Huntington's disease (HD) patient

Brain Pathology, Volume: 26, Issue: 6, Pages: 726-740, First published: 16 August 2016, DOI: (10.1111/bpa.12426)

## Caudate and Putamen Show Significant Volume Loss Impact Begins in Prodromal Stage

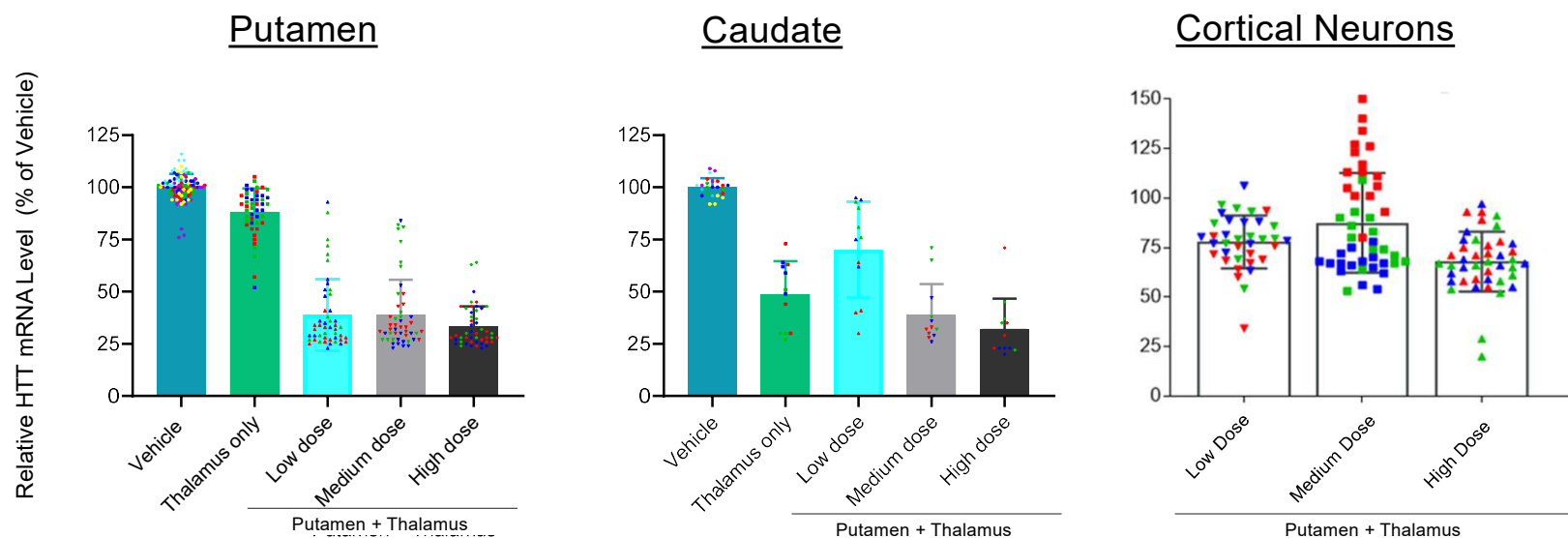


Wide range of structural sizes  
necessitates wide range of infusion  
volumes to achieve target coverage

Voyager data on file from study in collaboration with Massachusetts General Hospital. Box and whisker plot shows medians (central lines) 25th and 75th percentiles (boxes), and minima and maxima (bars).

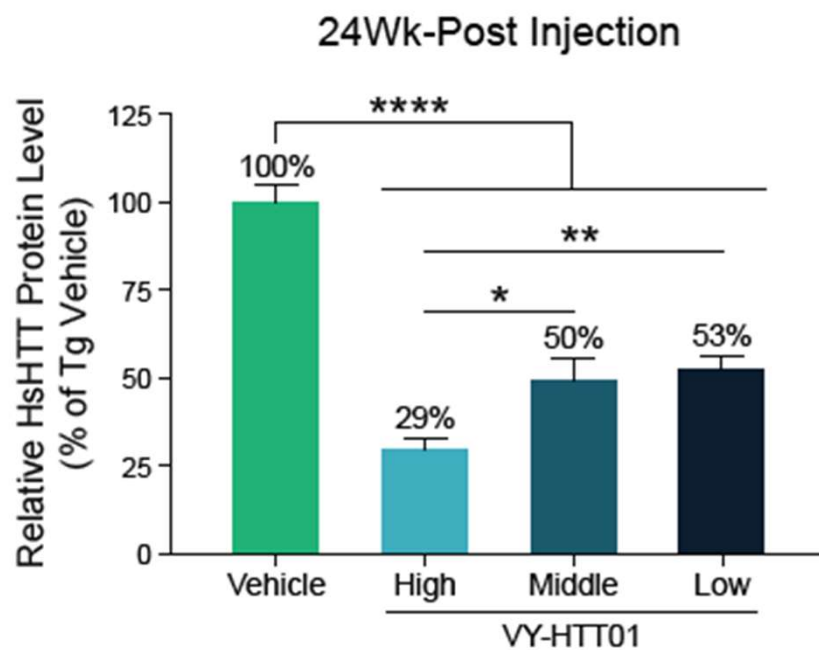
# Robust HTT mRNA Lowering in Adult NHPs at 5 Weeks

**Putamen (67%), Caudate (68%), and Cortical Neuron (32%) HTT mRNA Lowering<sup>1</sup>**



(1) Putamen and Caudate lowering measured from tissue punches; Cortical neuron lowering measured from laser-captured cortical neurons

## Significant HTT Protein Knockdown in YAC128 Mice at 24 Weeks



\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*  $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\*\*  $p < 0.0001$



## Other Pipeline Programs





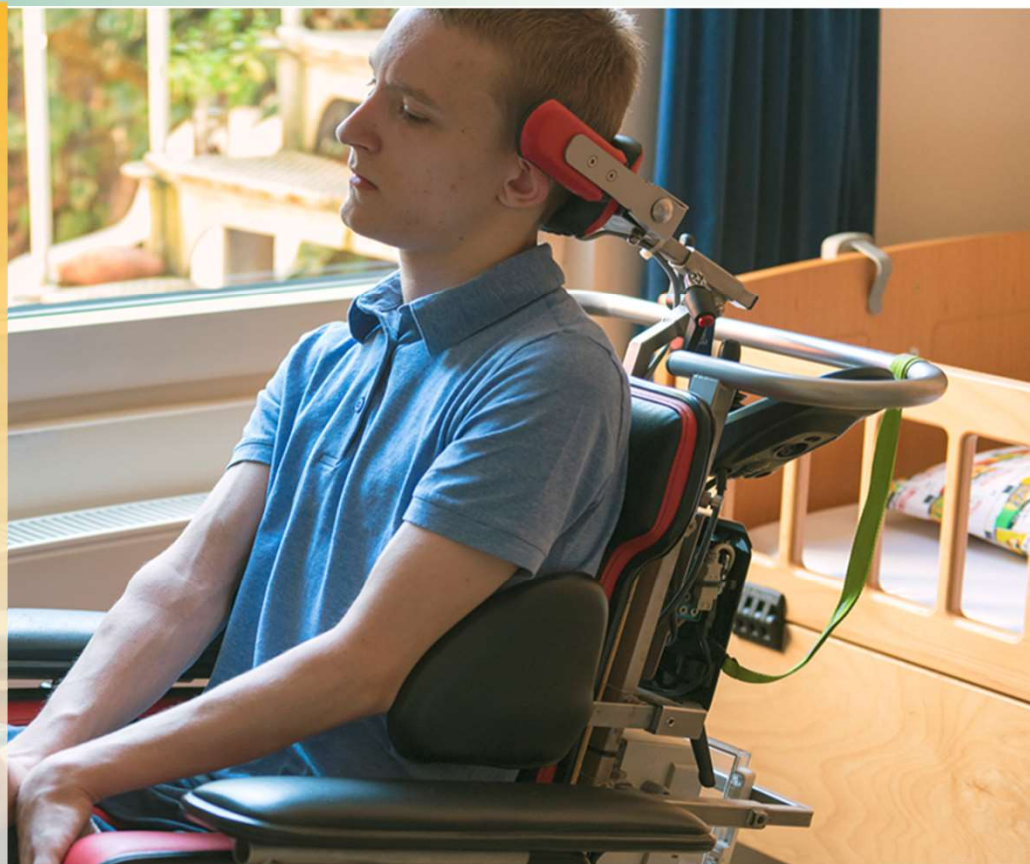
# ALS: ~20,000 Patients in U.S.

## Overview

- Rapidly progressive neurodegenerative disease with adult-onset resulting in severe muscle atrophy; usually fatal within 2-4 years of diagnosis
- Prevalence of SOD-1, a monogenic form of ALS: ~800 (U.S.)

## Voyager Clinical Development

- VY-SOD102 targeting SOD-1 form of ALS currently in IND-enabling studies
- Partnership discussions ongoing for existing VY-SOD102 program as well as expanded ALS efforts (C9orf72, TDP43, etc.)





# Friedreich's Ataxia: ~6,400 Patients in the U.S.

## Overview

- Fatal, debilitating neurodegenerative and cardiac disease.
- Typical age of onset is 10 to 12 years and life expectancy is severely reduced due to neurological and cardiac complications between 35 to 45 years of age
- Mutations of FXN gene reduce production of frataxin protein resulting in degeneration of sensory pathways and debilitating symptoms
- Gene therapy to restore FXN protein levels to at least 50% of normal in relevant neurons and cardiac myocytes to slow the progression of disease

## Voyager Clinical Development

- VY-FXN01 lead candidate selection ongoing in collaboration with Neurocrine



# Vectorized Antibodies

## Collaborations with AbbVie Targeting Tauopathies and Synucleinopathies

- Tau pathology is a hallmark of Alzheimer's disease, Frontotemporal dementia and Progressive Supranuclear Palsy, among others, and closely correlates with disease progression and cognitive decline
- Accumulation of misfolded alpha-synuclein can eventually lead to formation of protein deposits and progressive neurodegeneration in Parkinson's disease, and other synucleinopathies including Lewy Body Dementia and multiple system atrophy
- Vectorized antibody approach has potential for increased CNS levels of antibody versus passive immunization; potential for targeting intracellular aggregation, which passive immunization does not



# Significant Progress Expected Across 2020

| Program                           | Expected Milestone   |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| VY-AADC for Parkinson's Disease   | Present 3-year results from PD-1101 trial (2H 2020)                  |
|                                   | Present 2-year results from PD-1102 trial (2H 2020)                  |
|                                   | Initiate RESTORE-2 pivotal trial (2H 2020)                           |
| VY-HTT01 for Huntington's Disease | Provide update on program and clinical plans (mid-2020)              |
|                                   | Present additional results from preclinical studies (2H 2020)        |
| Pipeline and Platform             | Provide update on Friedreich's ataxia program                        |
|                                   | Provide progress update on vectorized antibody efforts               |
|                                   | Present results from novel capsid efforts and new discovery programs |