



**HÄMATOLOGIE HEUTE
KÖLN**

Gentherapie zur Behandlung der Hämophilie



Bridging the gap between the present and the future

Complete human genome sequenced (2000)



...CGGAGGCTAGGCTAGTAGGTGTGATAGGTAACGGATGATCG...

3000,000,000 base pairs



C. Venter B. Clinton F. Collins

“With this profound new knowledge, humankind is on the verge of gaining immense, new power to heal. It will revolutionize the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of most, if not all, human diseases.”

President Bill Clinton 26 June 2000

Nature 405, 983–984; 2000

GENETIC DISEASES

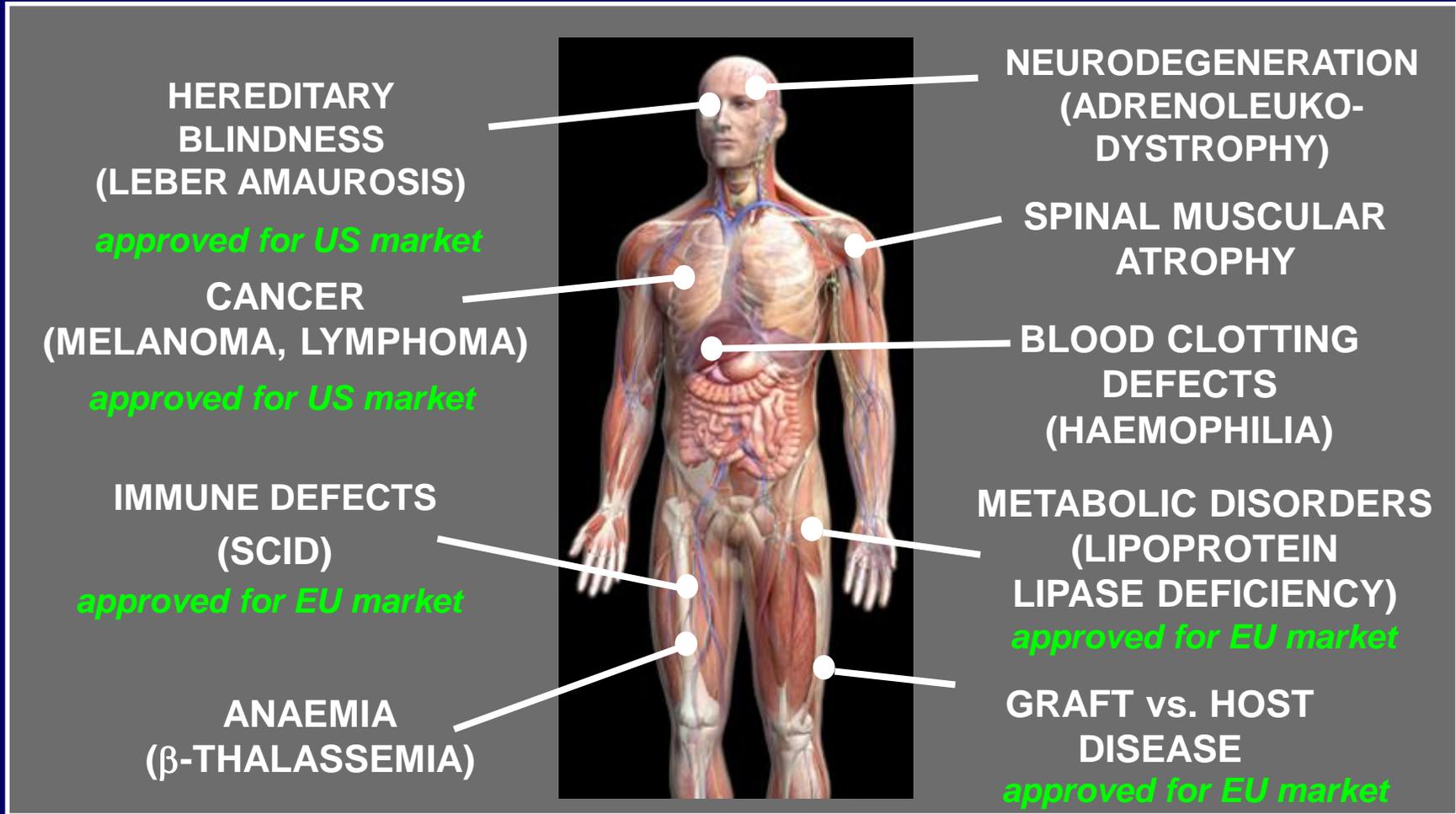
Just 1 point-mutation in 3.000.000.000 bp can cause
a potentially life-threatening disorder

(e.g.: hemophilia, Duchenne muscular dystrophy, cystic fibrosis, ...)

➔ Equivalent to 1 typing error in 15 *Encyclopaedia Britannicae*



GENE THERAPY: PROVEN EFFICACY IN PATIENTS (*Anno 2019*)



FDA announces first US gene therapy approval for cancer treatment

By Michael Nedelman, CNN

🕒 Updated 1707 GMT (0107 HKT) August 30, 2017



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The New York Times

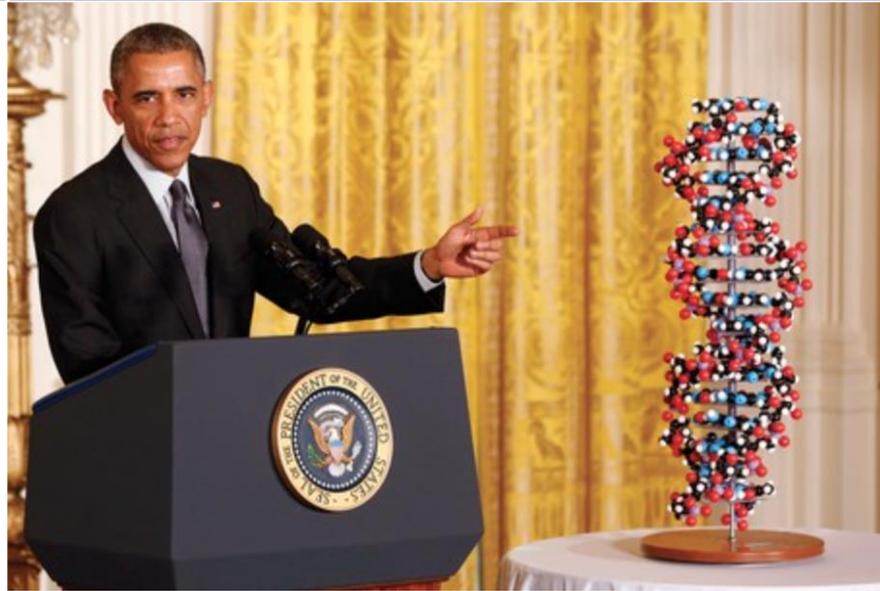
F.D.A. Approves Second Gene-Altering Treatment for Cancer

By DENISE GRADY OCT. 18, 2017

“Tonight I’m launching a new Precision Medicine Initiative to bring us closer to curing diseases like cancer and diabetes.

And to give us all access to the personalized information we need to keep ourselves and our families healthier.”

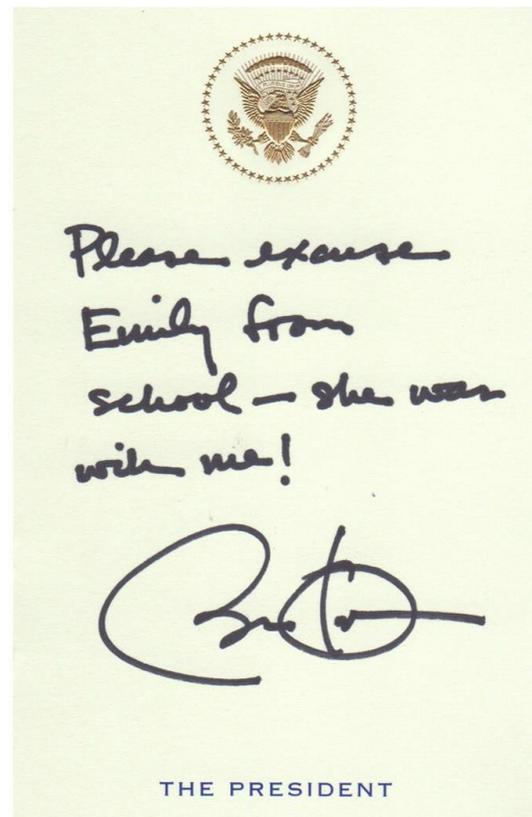
President Barack Obama
2015 State of the Union Address | January 20, 2015



**Emily
Whitehead**

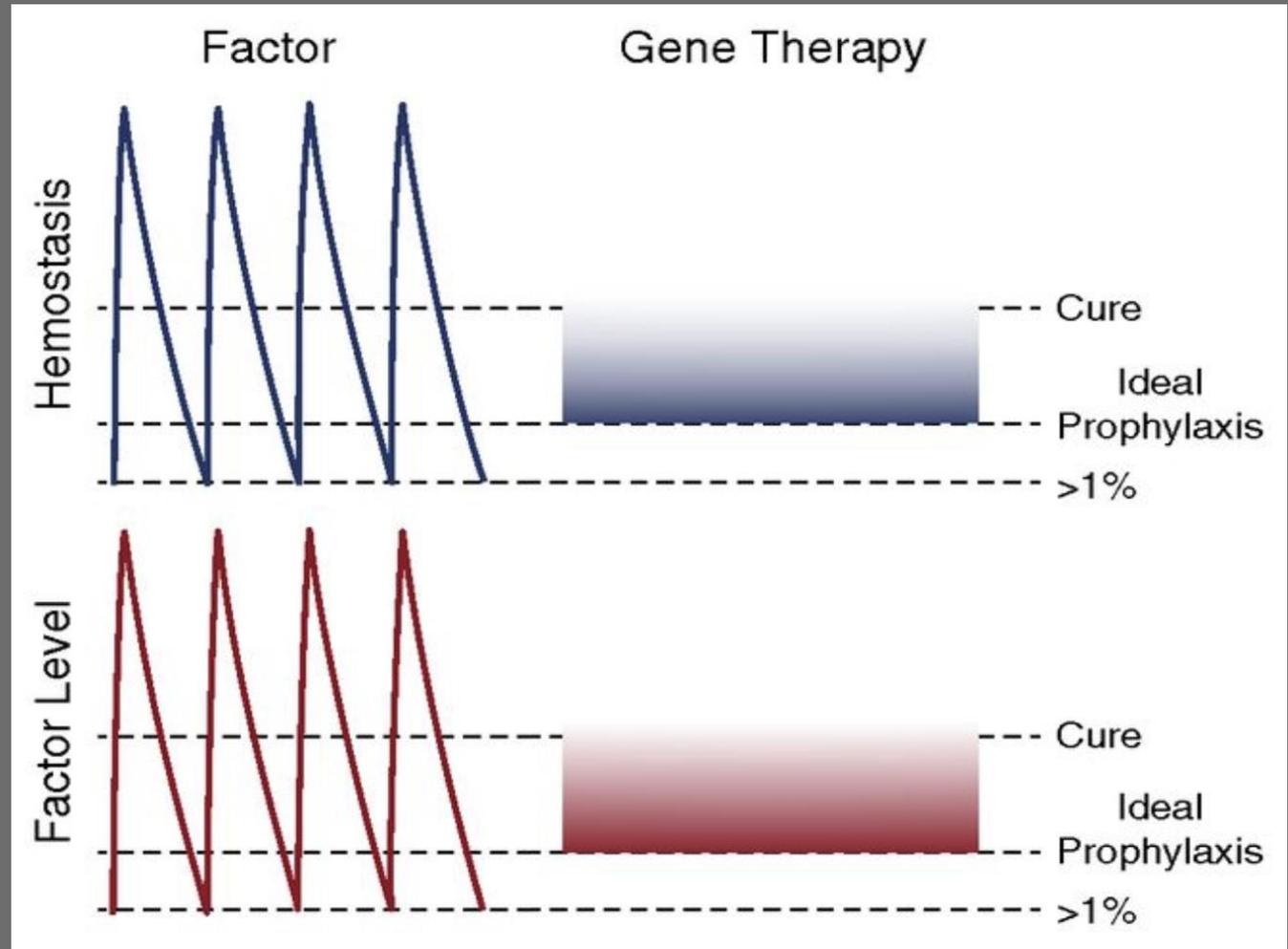


APPROVED CANCER GENE THERAPY



GENE THERAPY FOR HEMOPHILIA vs. STANDARD OF CARE

PROPHYLACTIC (3x/week i.v.)
RECOMBINANT CLOTTING FACTORS

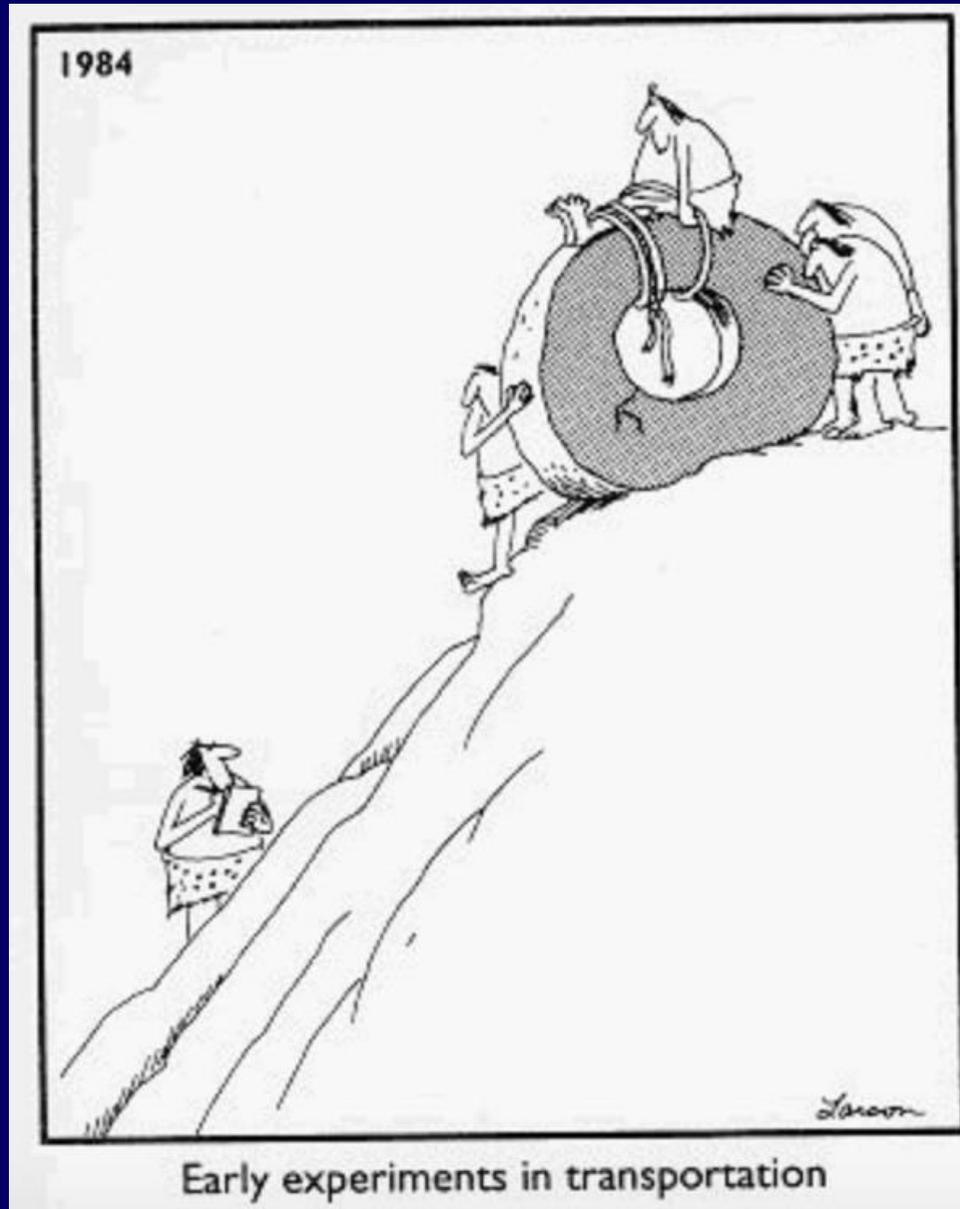


Adapted from Arruda et al. Blood. 2017 Nov 23;130(21):2251-2256.

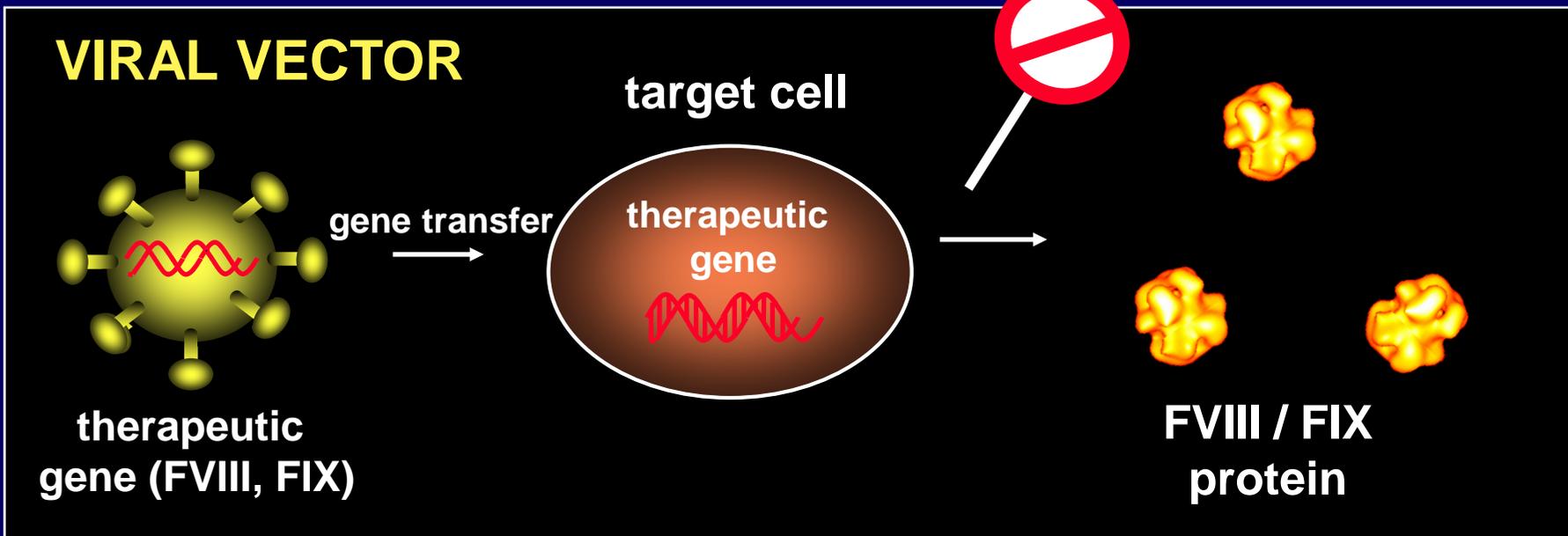
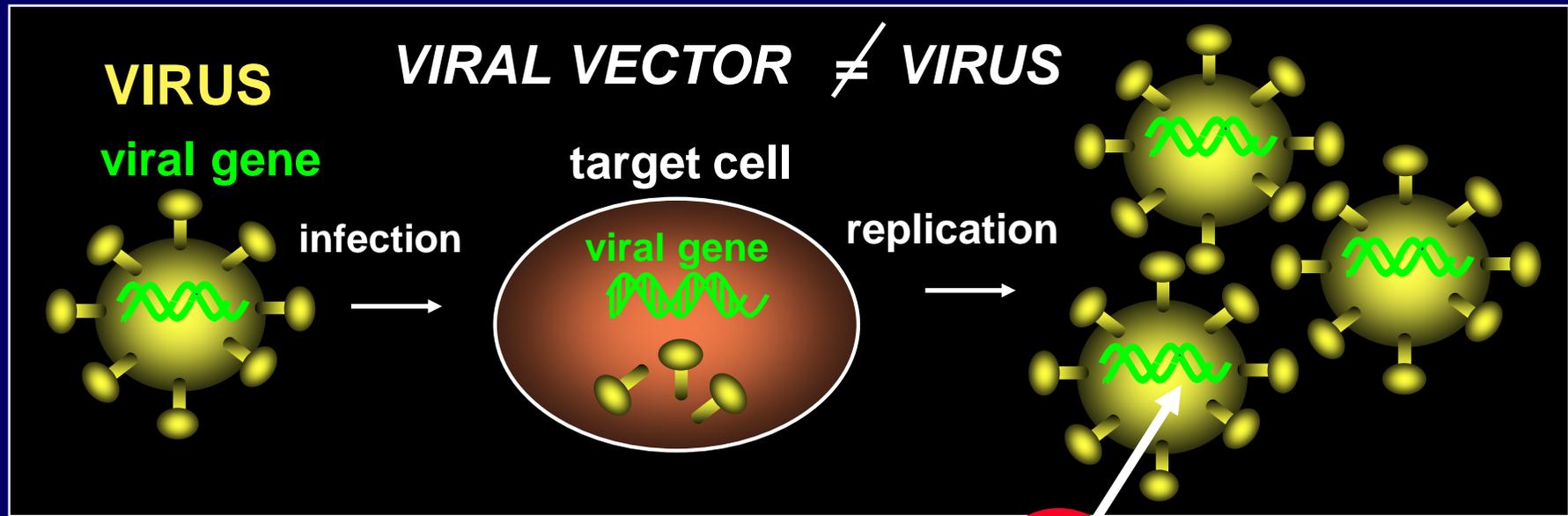
GENE THERAPY: KEY QUESTIONS

- **IS GENE THERAPY EFFECTIVE ?**
- **HOW LONG IS THE EFFECT OF GENE THERAPY EXPECTED TO LAST?**
- **WHAT ARE THE MAIN SAFETY CONCERNS?**
- **CAN PATIENTS BE RETREATED?**
- **CAN WE TREAT PATIENTS WITH INHIBITORS?**
- **WHAT IS THE RISK OF INHIBITOR DEVELOPMENT AFTER GENE THERAPY?**
- **CAN WE ULTIMATELY TREAT CHILDREN BY GENE THERAPY IDEALLY BEFORE THE ONSET OF JOINT DISEASE?**

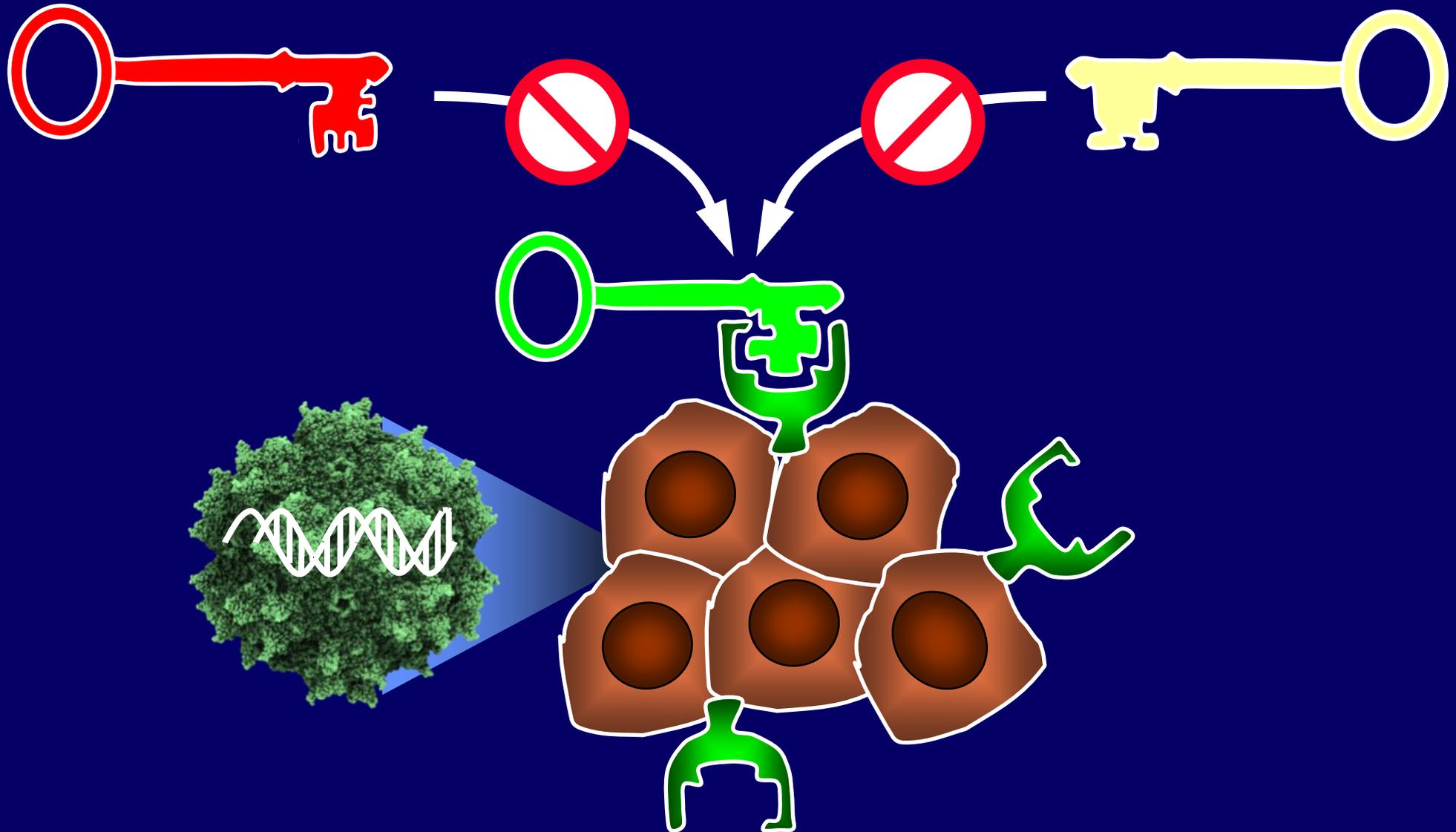
GENE THERAPY MANTRA: "DELIVERY, DELIVERY, DELIVERY!"



GENE THERAPY WITH VIRAL VECTORS

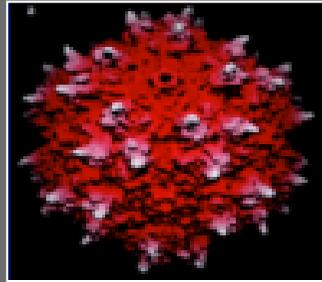


**FINDING THE RIGHT 'MOLECULAR KEY'
TO ENTER THE TARGET CELLS**



FINDING THE RIGHT 'MOLECULAR KEY' TO ENTER THE TARGET CELLS

ADENO-ASSOCIATED VIRAL VECTORS (AAV)



- **Efficacy established in human trials**
- **Sustained expression**
- **Pre-existing immunity**
- **Mostly not integrated**

HEMOPHILIA B ***LIVER-DIRECTED GENE THERAPY***



CLINICAL GENE THERAPY FOR HEMOPHILIA B

The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Long-Term Safety and Efficacy of Factor IX Gene Therapy in Hemophilia B

A.C. Nathwani, U.M. Reiss, E.G.D. Tuddenham, C. Rosales, P. Chowdary, J. McIntosh, M. Della Peruta, E. Lheriteau, N. Patel, D. Raj, A. Riddell, J. Pie, S. Rangarajan, D. Bevan, M. Recht, Y.-M. Shen, K.G. Halka, E. Basner-Tschakarjan, F. Mingozzi, K.A. High, J. Allay, M.A. Kay, C.Y.C. Ng, J. Zhou, M. Cancio, C.L. Morton, J.T. Gray, D. Srivastava, A.W. Nienhuis, and A.M. Davidoff

THROMBOSIS AND HEMOSTASIS

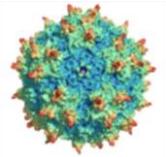
Gene therapy with adeno-associated virus vector 5–human factor IX in adults with hemophilia B

Wolfgang Miesbach,¹ Karina Meijer,² Michiel Coppens,³ Peter Kampmann,⁴ Robert Klamroth,⁵ Roger Schutgens,⁶ Marco Tangelder,⁷ Giancarlo Castaman,⁸ Joachim Schwäble,⁹ Halvard Bonig,^{9,10} Erhard Seifried,⁹ Federica Cattaneo,¹¹ Christian Meyer,⁷ and Frank W. G. Leebeek¹²

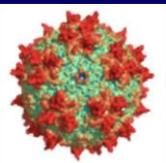
blood

Nathwani et al. *N Engl J Med* 2014;371:1994–2004

Miesbach et al., *Blood*. 2018;131:1022-1031.

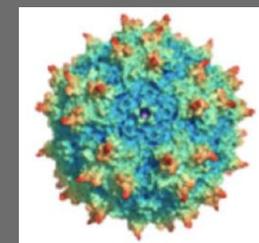
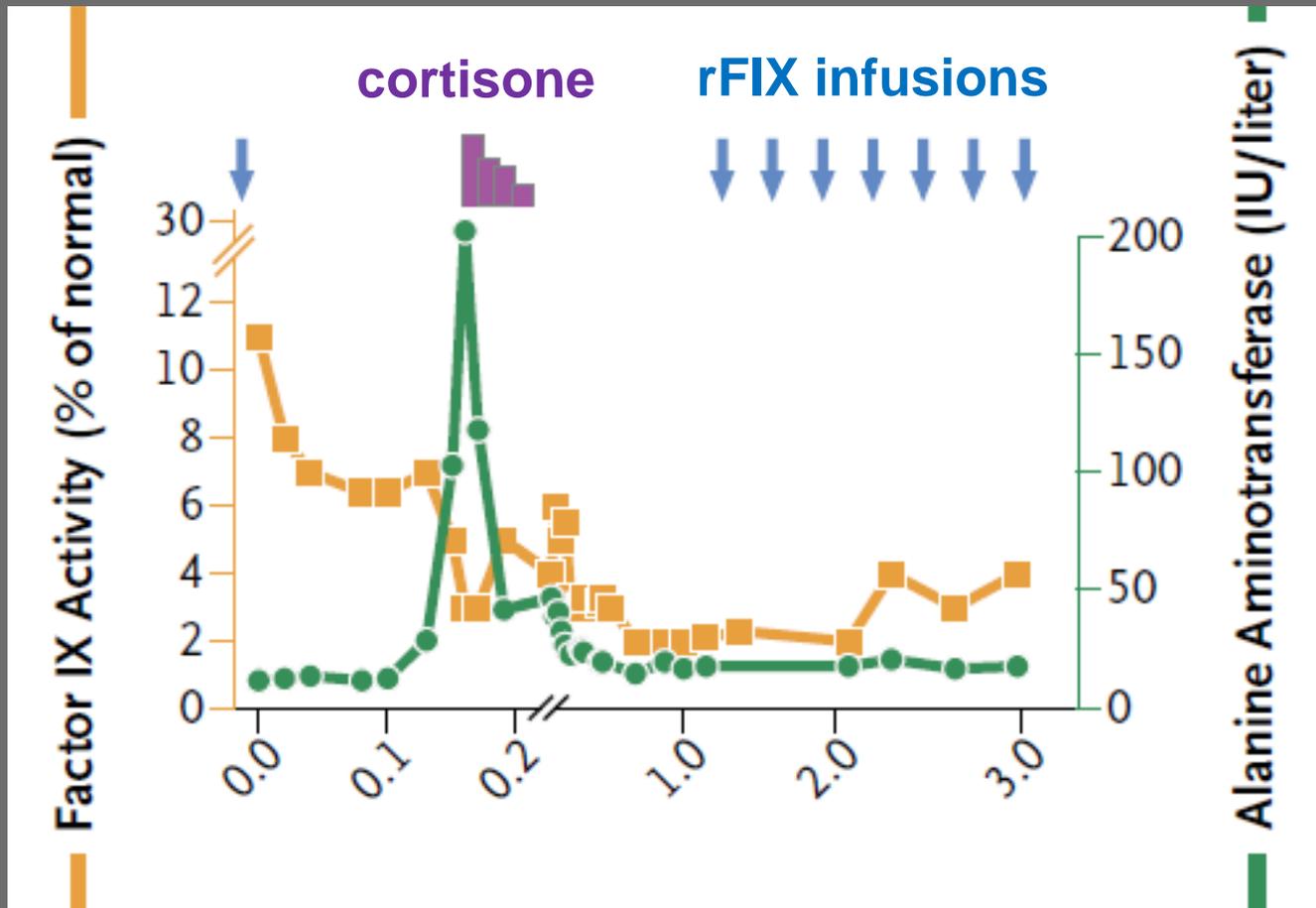


AAV8



AAV5

CLINICAL GENE THERAPY FOR HEMOPHILIA B



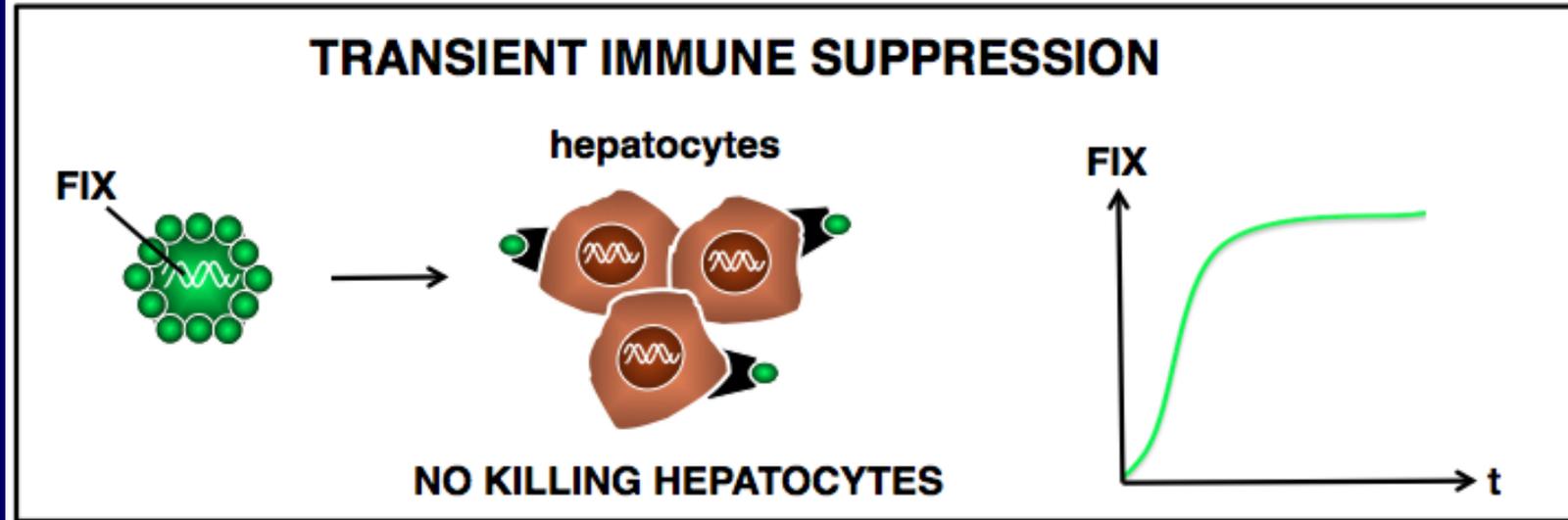
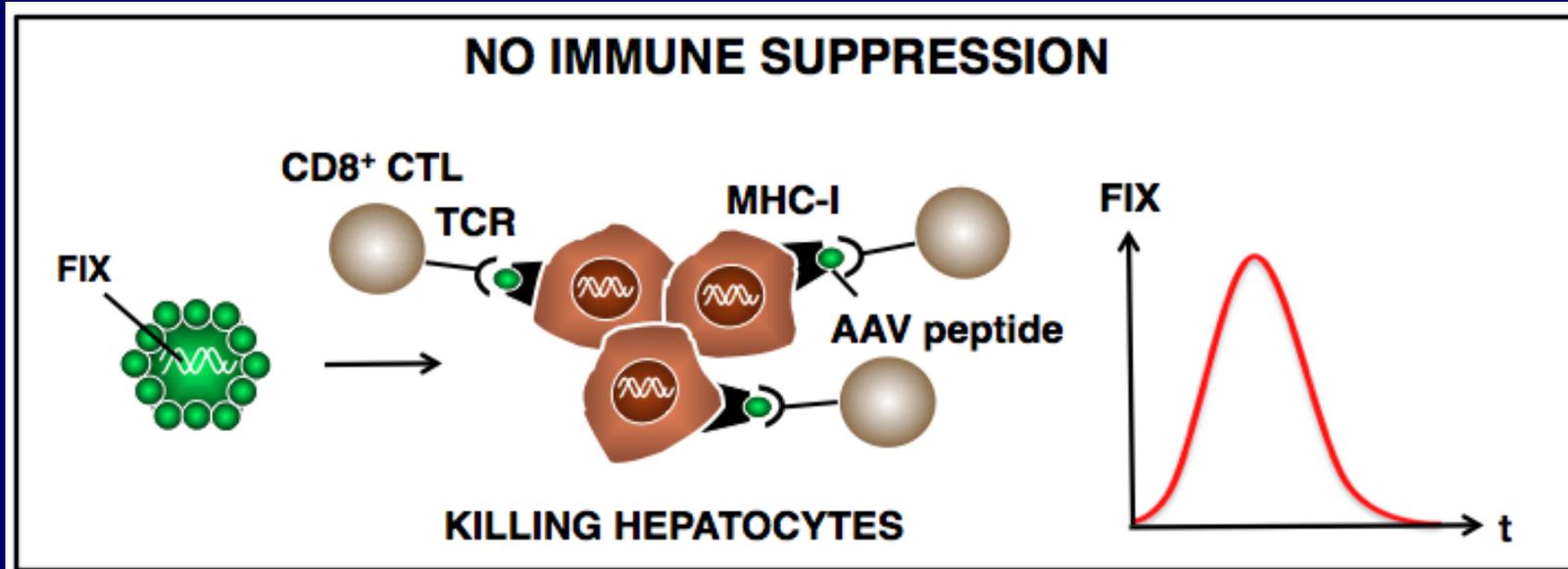
AAV8-Factor IX
 2×10^{12} vg/kg

Nathwani et al. *N Engl J Med* 2014;371:1994–2004



AAV8-FIX: SUSTAINED THERAPEUTIC FIX LEVELS (2-5% - about 7 years)
AAV5-FIX : 5% 10X higher vector dose - 2×10^{13} vg/kg (Miesbach et al., 2018)

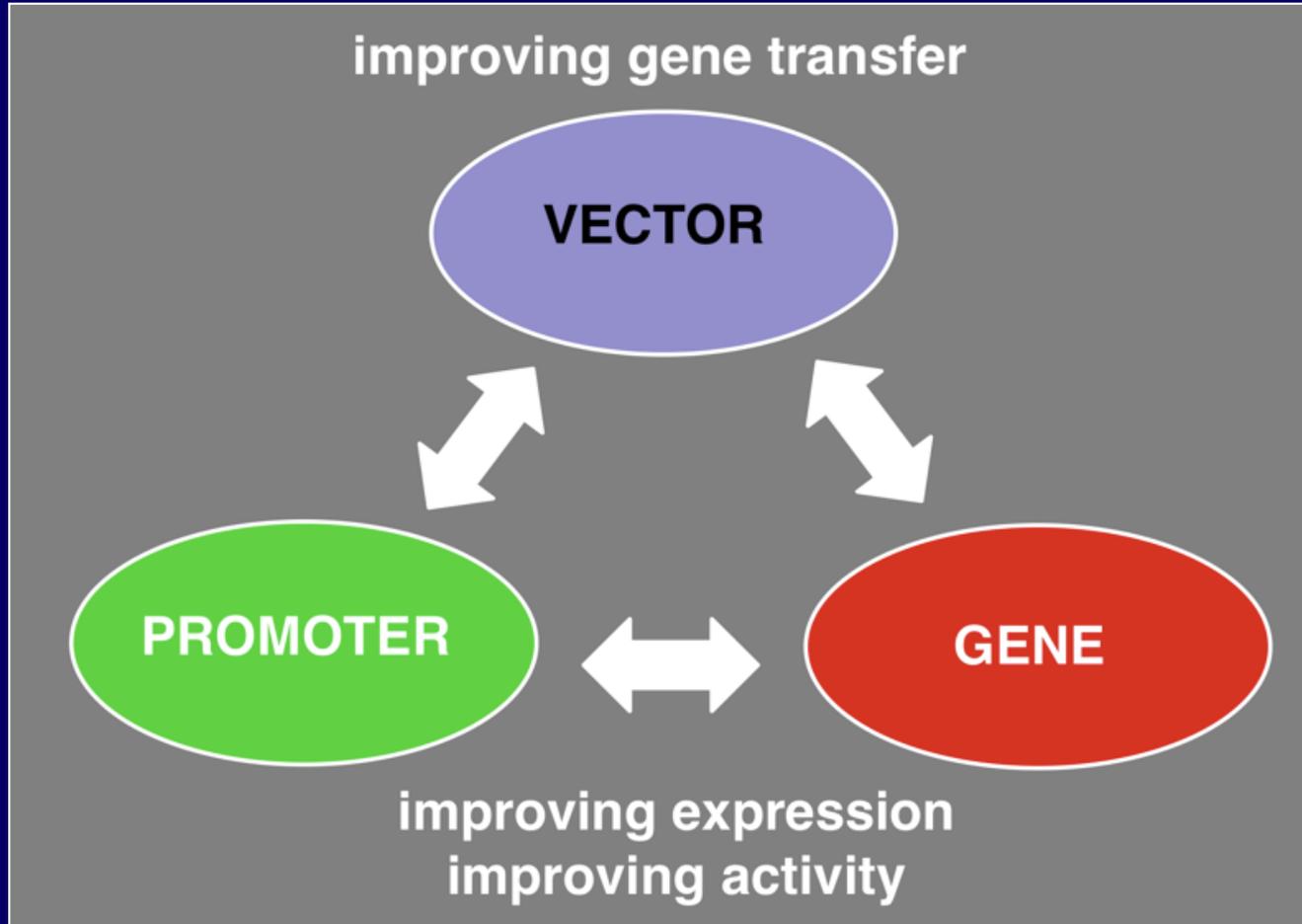
SAFETY ISSUE: IMMUNE RESPONSE



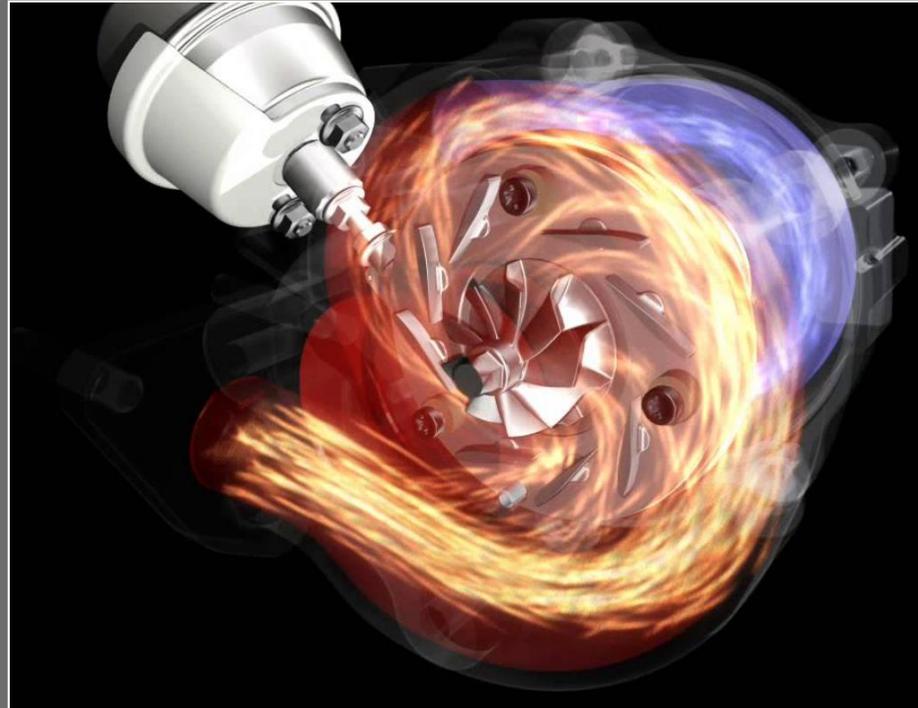
+ OTHER IMMUNE MECHANISMS

NEXT-GENERATION GENE THERAPY

a 3-pronged strategy

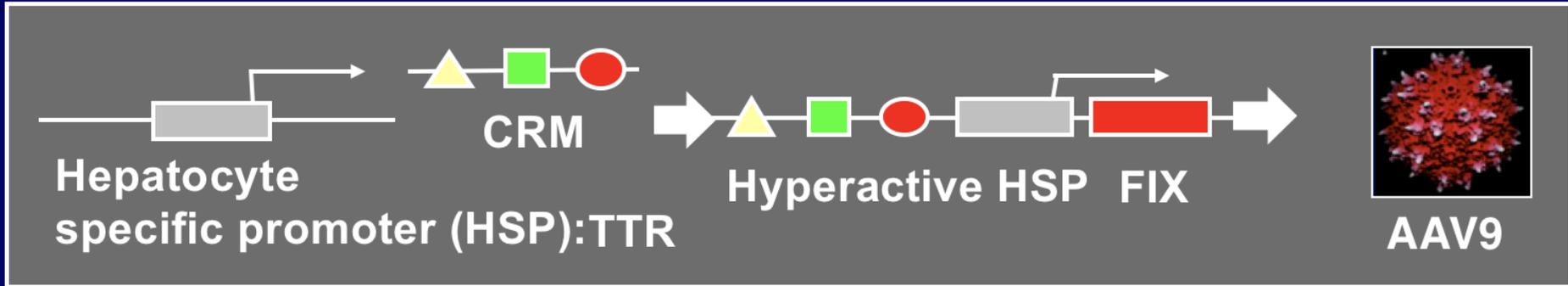


***POTENT HEPATOCYTE-SPECIFIC
CIS-REGULATORY MODULE (CRM)***

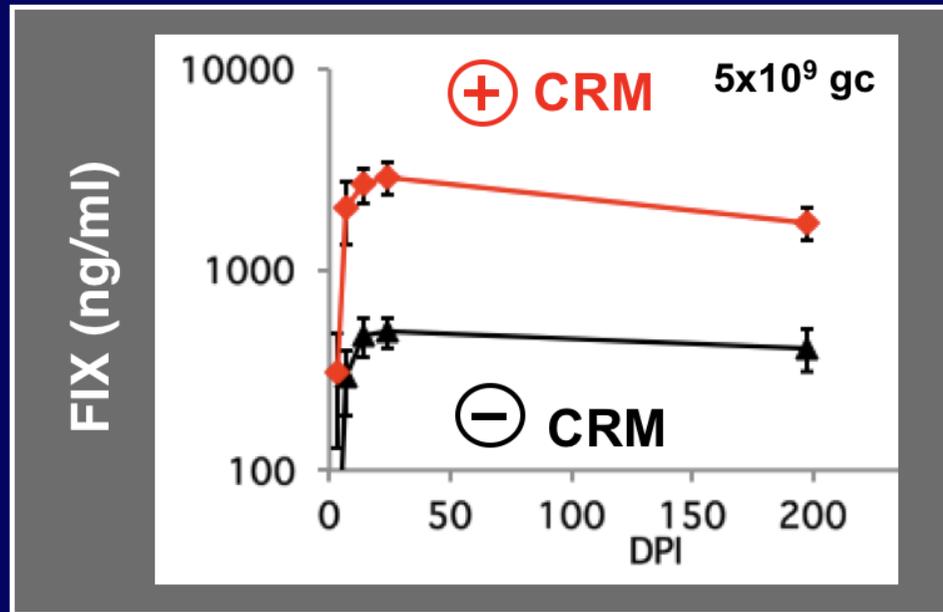


“MOLECULAR TURBOCHARGER” AS EXPRESSION BOOSTER

CRMs: *cis*-REGULATORY MODULES BOOST EXPRESSION



CRM:
cis-regulatory
module



➔ ROBUST AND SUSTAINED HEPATOCYTE SPECIFIC FIX EXPRESSION

Michelangelo - Sistine Chapel Ceiling



blood

• • • THROMBOSIS & HEMOSTASIS

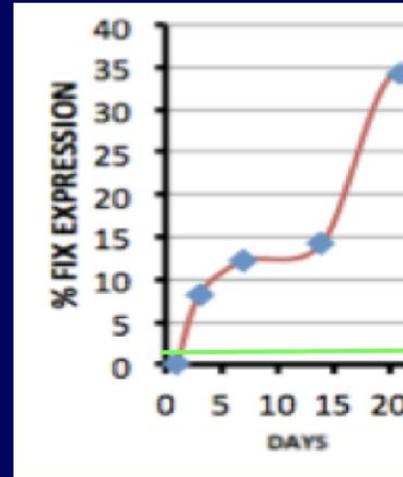
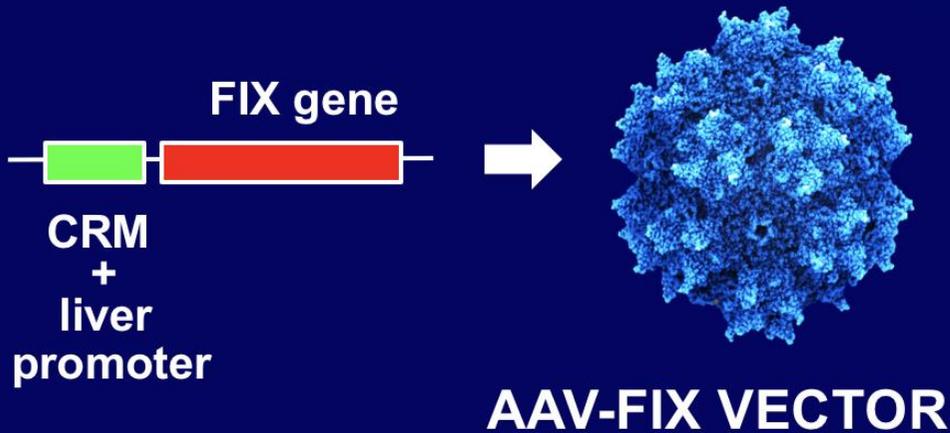
Comment on Nair et al, page 3195

A David promoter with Goliath strength

David M. Markusic¹ and Roland W. Herzog¹ ¹UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

Markusic DM and Herzog RW. *Blood* 2014;123:3068–9.

CRM: PRECLINICAL & TRANSLATIONAL STUDIES



1% therapeutic threshold



➔ HIGH THERAPEUTIC FIX LEVELS IN RHESUS MONKEYS

CRM: ROBUST HEPATOCYTE SPECIFIC FIX EXPRESSION

blood May 15;123(20):3195-9, 2014.

Computationally designed liver-specific transcriptional modules and hyperactive factor IX improve hepatic gene therapy

Nisha Nair,¹ Melvin Y. Rincon,^{1,2} Hanneke Evens,¹ Shilpita Sarcar,¹ Sumitava Dastidar,¹ Emira Samara-Kuko,¹ Omid Ghandeharian,¹ Hiu Man Vicelli,³ Beat Thöny,³ Pieter De Bleser,⁴ Thierry VandenDriessche,^{1,2} and Marinee K. Chuah^{1,2}

Molecular Therapy Sep;22(9):1605-13, 2014.

Liver-Specific Transcriptional Modules Identified by Genome-Wide *In Silico* Analysis Enable Efficient Gene Therapy in Mice and Non-Human Primates

Marinee K Chuah^{1,2}, Inge Petrus², Pieter De Bleser³, Caroline Le Guiner^{4,5}, Gwladys Gernoux^{4,5}, Oumeya Adjali^{4,5}, Nisha Nair¹, Jessica Willems¹, Hanneke Evens¹, Melvin Y Rincon^{1,2}, Janka Matrai^{1,6,7}, Mario Di Matteo^{1,2}, Ermira Samara-Kuko¹, Bing Yan^{6,7}, Abel Acosta-Sanchez^{6,7}, Amine Meliani^{8,9}, Ghislaine Chereh^{10,11}, Véronique Blouin^{4,5}, Olivier Christophe^{10,11}, Philippe Moullier^{4,5}, Federico Mingozzi^{8,9}, Thierry VandenDriessche^{1,2}

CAN WE CHANGE THE FIX GENE ITSELF TO BOOST VECTOR PERFORMANCE?

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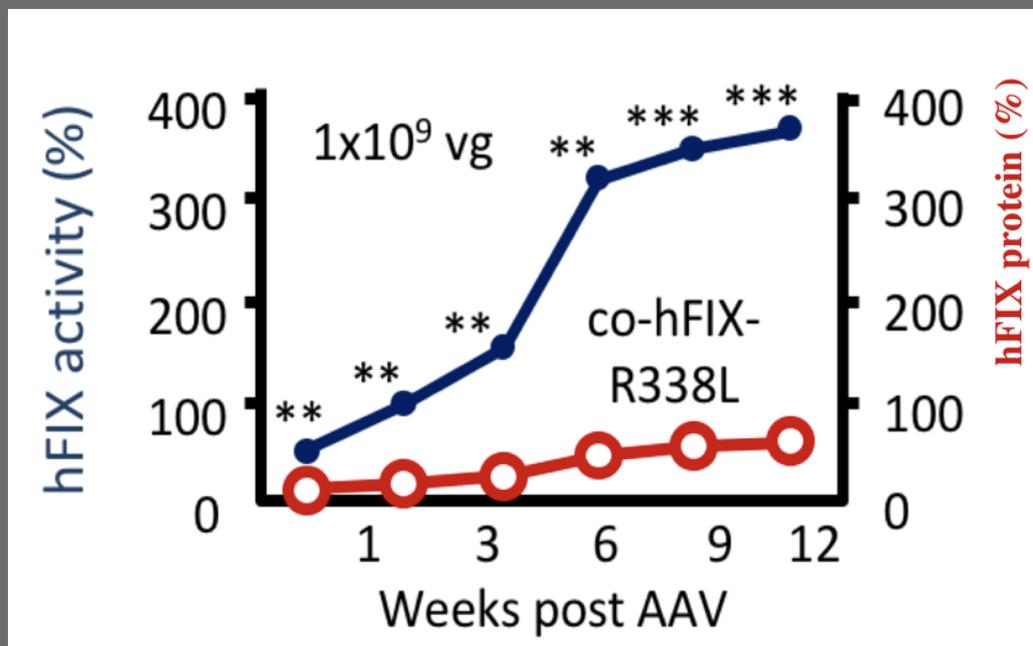
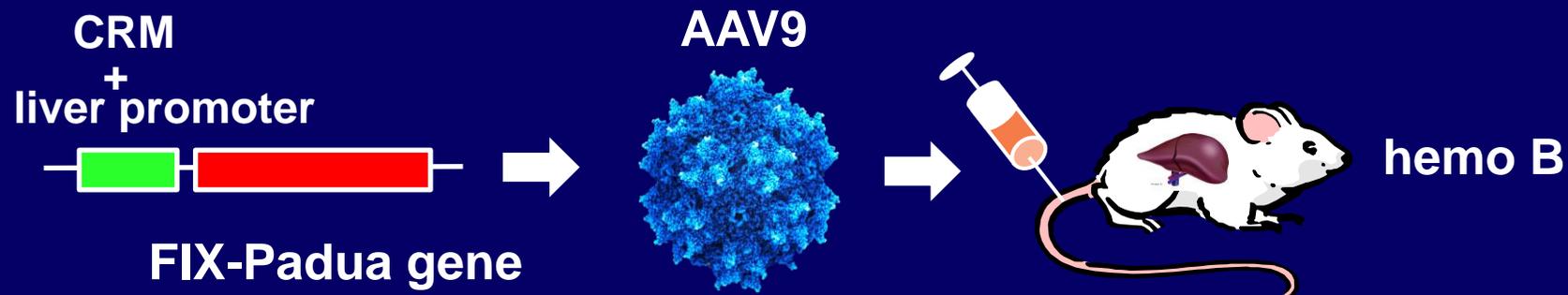
BRIEF REPORT

X-Linked Thrombophilia with a Mutant Factor IX (Factor IX Padua)

Paolo Simioni, M.D., Ph.D., Daniela Tormene, M.D., Ph.D., Giulio Tognin, M.D.,
Sabrina Gavasso, Ph.D., Cristiana Bulato, Ph.D., Nicholas P. Iacobelli, B.A.,
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and Valder R. Arruda, M.D., Ph.D.

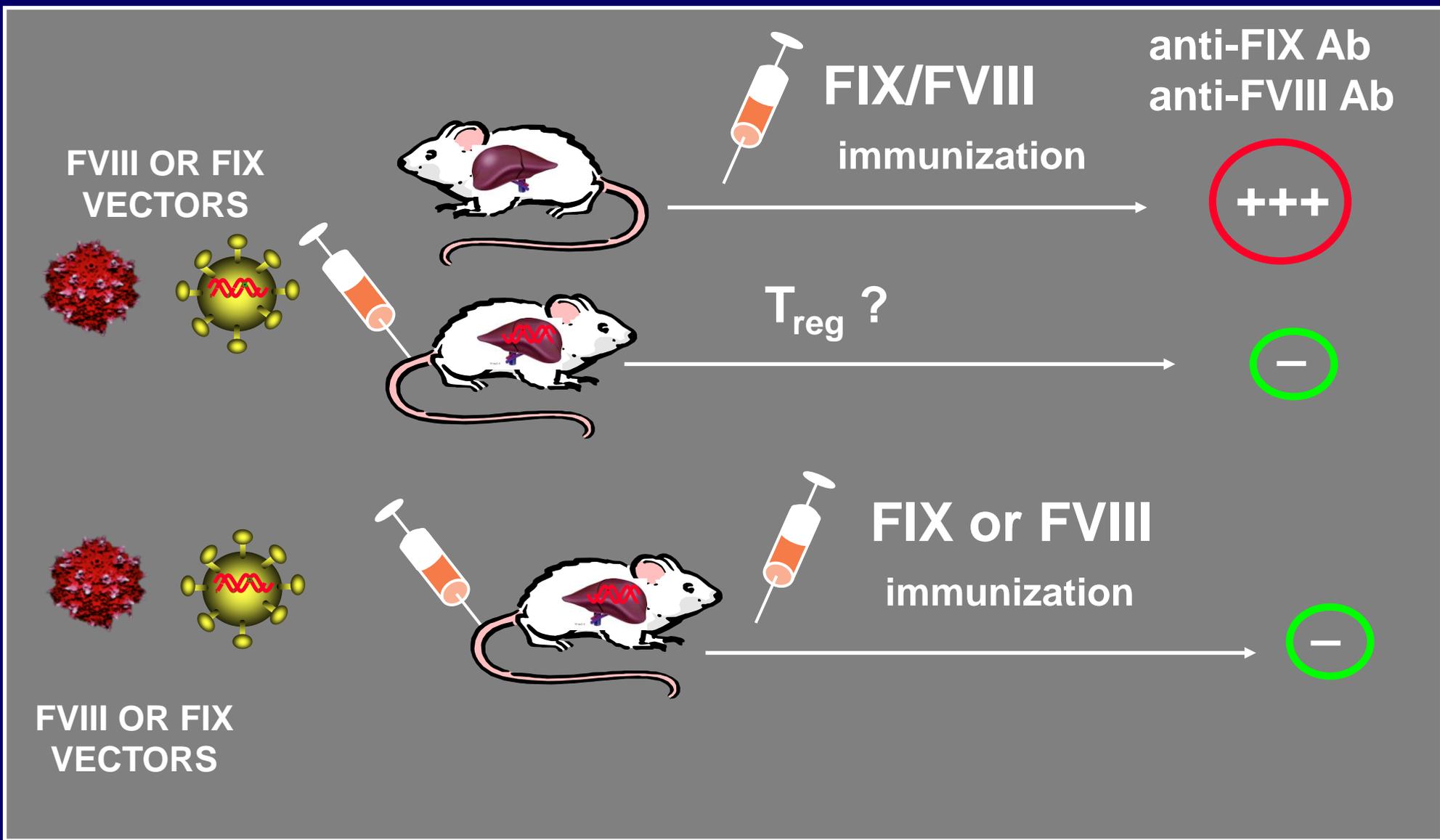
Simioni P, et al. N Engl J Med 2009 Oct 22;361(17):1671-5.

ONE TIME TREATMENT BY GENE THERAPY SUSTAINED THERAPEUTIC EFFECT WITH LOW VECTOR DOSE



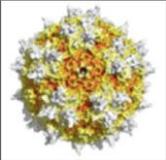
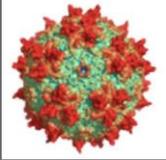
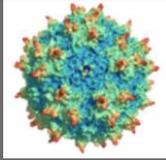
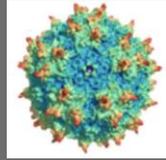
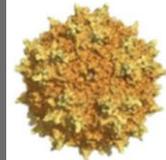
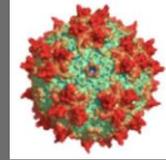
➔ Killing 2 birds with 1 stone: increase expression and activity

IMMUNE TOLERANCE: PROTECTION AGAINST NEUTRALIZING ANTIBODIES



Mingozzi et al., J. Clin. Invest. (2003); Matrai et al. Hepatology (2011);
Cantore, Nair et al. Blood, (2012); Nair et al., Blood, (2014);
Finn et al., Blood (2012); Brown et al., Blood (2007); Follenzi et al., unpublished

GENE THERAPY CLINICAL TRIALS FOR HEMOPHILIA B

	PHASE III	PHASE III	PHASE I/II	PHASE I/II	PHASE I/II	PHASE I/II
company	<i>Spark Pfizer</i>	<i>UniQure</i>	<i>Shire</i>	<i>Freeline</i>	<i>Sangamo</i>	<i>UniQure</i>
serotype	 Clade E Spk200 SPK-9001	 AAV5 AMT-061	 AAV8 SHP648	 AAV8 FLT180a	 AAV6 SB-FIX	 AAV5 AMT-060
FIX	<i>coFIX Padua</i>	<i>coFIX Padua</i>	<i>coFIX Padua</i>	<i>coFIX Padua</i>	<i>ZFN gene editing in albumin</i>	<i>FIX Padua</i>
promotor	<i>HSP</i>	<i>HSP</i>	<i>HSP</i>	<i>HSP</i>	<i>HSP</i>	<i>HSP</i>



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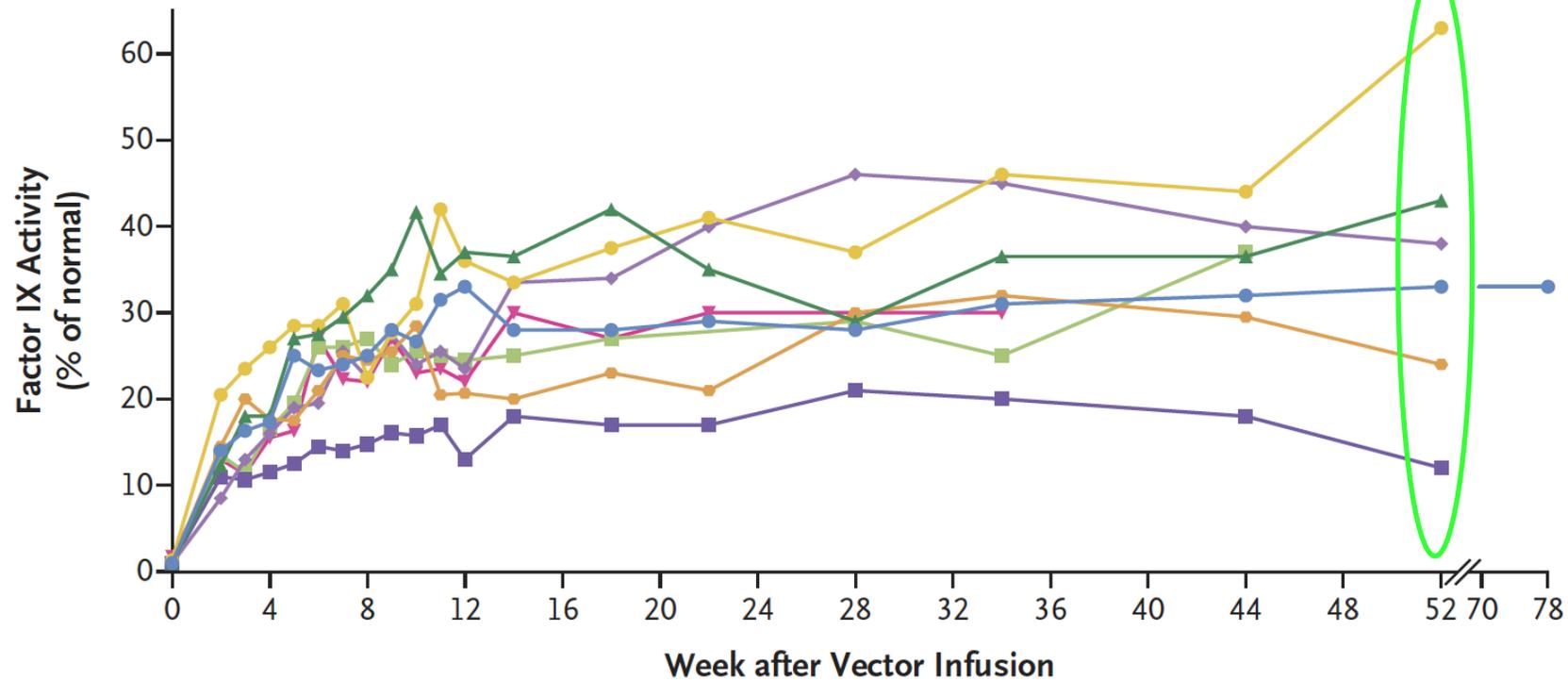
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single i.v. AAV-FIX vector injection 5×10^{11} vg/kg

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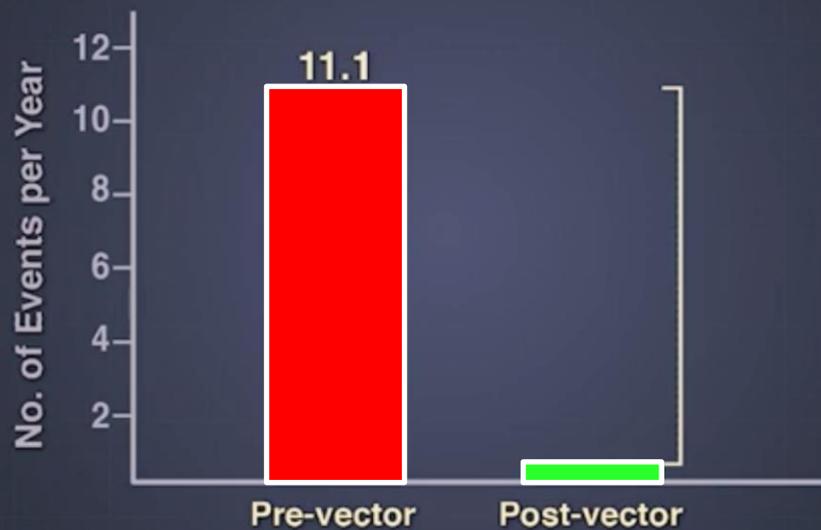
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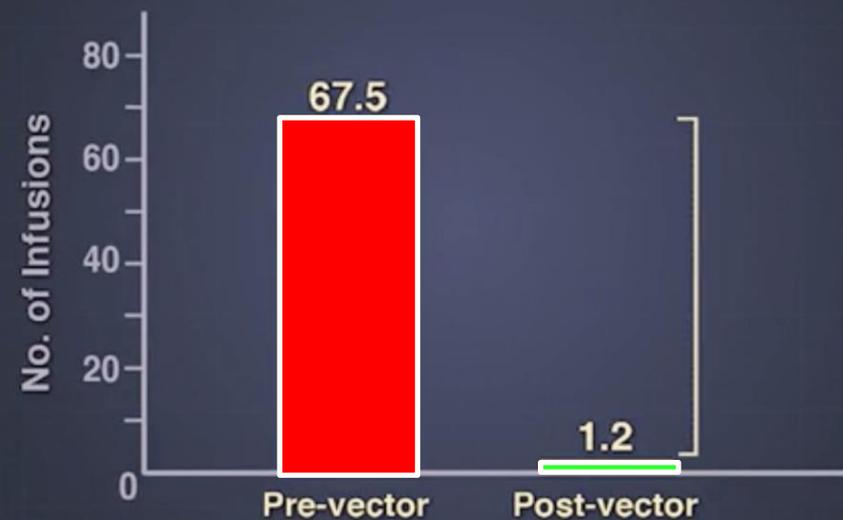
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Mean annualized bleeding rate



Mean number of FIX infusions



GENE THERAPY FOR HEMOPHILIA A: BOTTLENECKS IN FVIII PRODUCTION

secretion & stabilization



FVIII transport
ER to Golgi

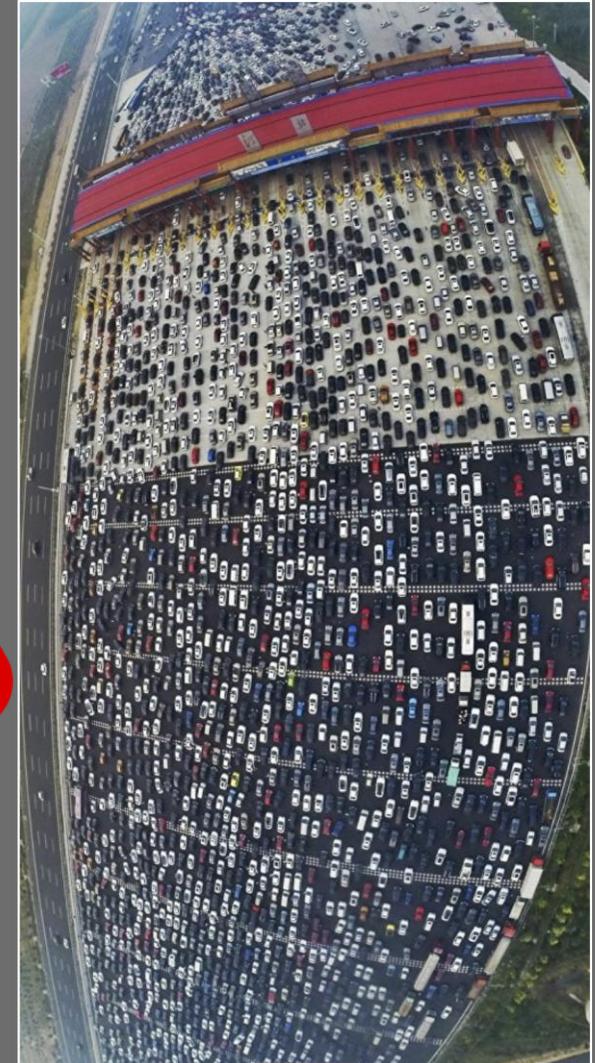
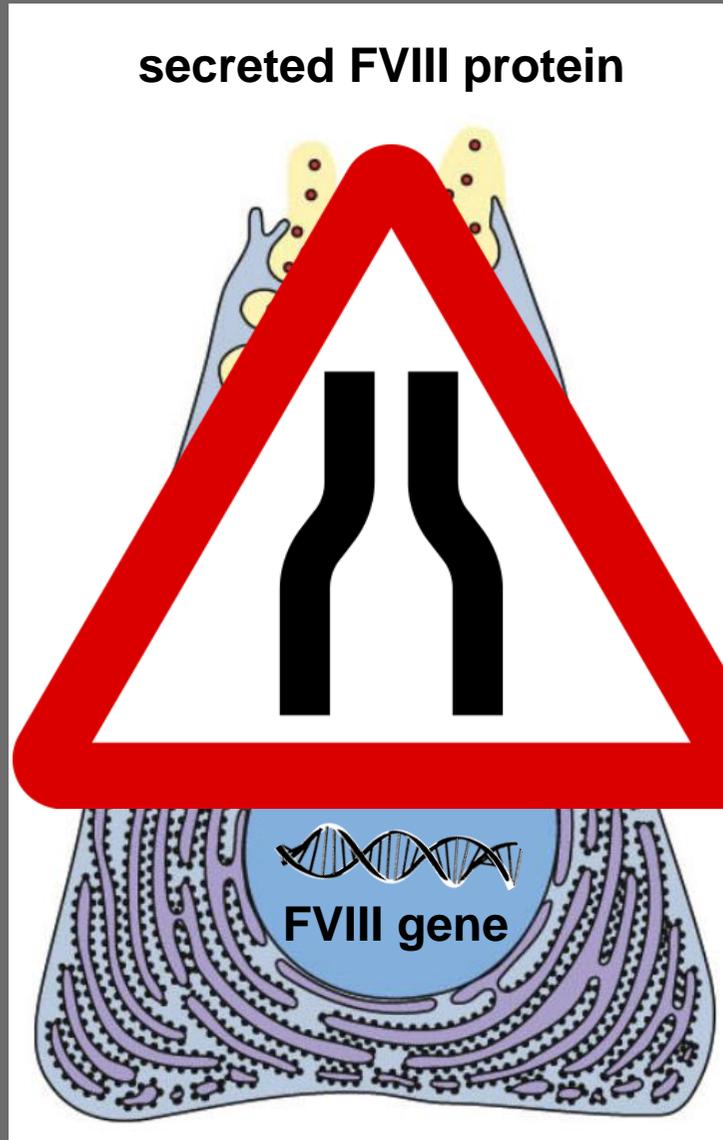
FVIII mannose binding to
LMAN1



FVIII translation
FVIII binding to BiP
ER retention



FVIII transcription



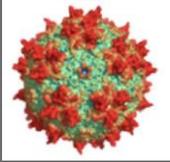
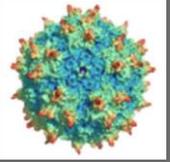
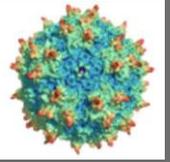
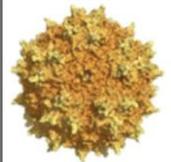
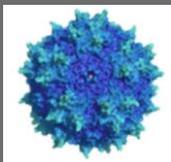
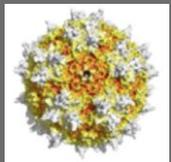
FVIII IN AAV: SIZE MATTERS !!!

AAV-FVIII: Packaging constraints



Dong et al. Hum Gene Ther. 1996 Nov 10;7(17):2101-12.

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	PHASE III	PHASE I/II	PHASE I/II	PHASE I/II	PHASE I/II	PHASE I/II
company	<i>BioMarin</i>	<i>Shire</i>	<i>Freeline</i>	<i>Sangamo Pfizer</i>	<i>Dimension Bayer</i>	<i>Spark</i>
serotype	 AAV5	 AAV8	 AAV8	 AAV6	 AAV8	 Clade E Spk200
FVIII	<i>coFVIIIΔB_{SQ}</i>	<i>coFVIIIΔB</i>	<i>coFVIIIΔB-V3</i>	<i>coFVIIIΔB</i>	<i>coFVIIIΔB</i>	<i>coFVIIIΔB</i>
promotor	<i>HSP</i> (<i>ApoEHCR-AAT</i>)	<i>HSP</i>	<i>HSP</i>	<i>HSP</i> (<i>TTR</i>)	<i>HSP</i>	<i>HSP</i>

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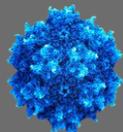
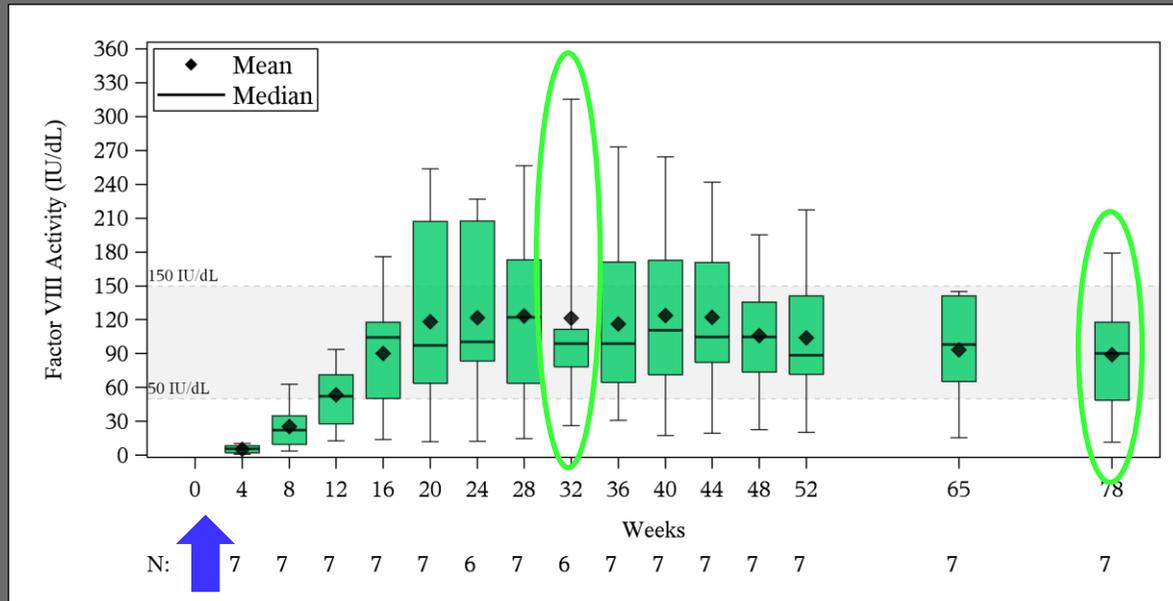
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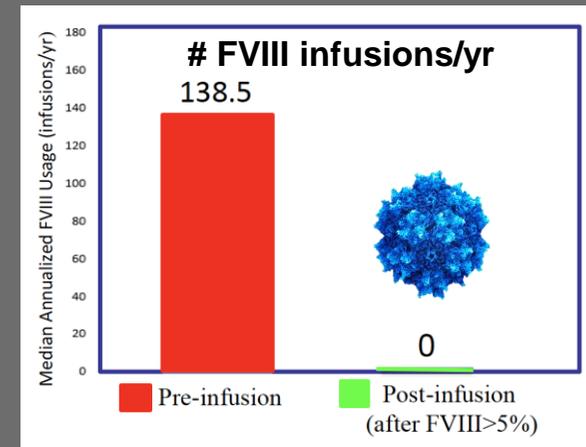
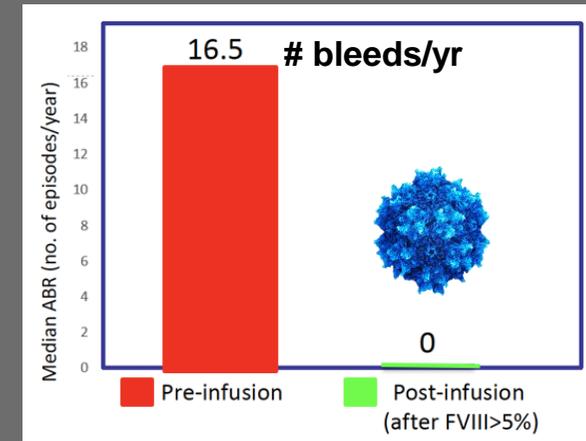
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single i.v. AAV5-FVIII vector injection



“MILLION DOLLAR QUESTION” WILL EXPRESSION BE LIFE-LONG IN PATIENTS AFTER GENE THERAPY?

EXPECTATIONS: Long-term expression



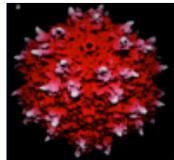
Sustained (life-long)



Sustained >10 years³



Sustained



FIX: >7 years (median)¹



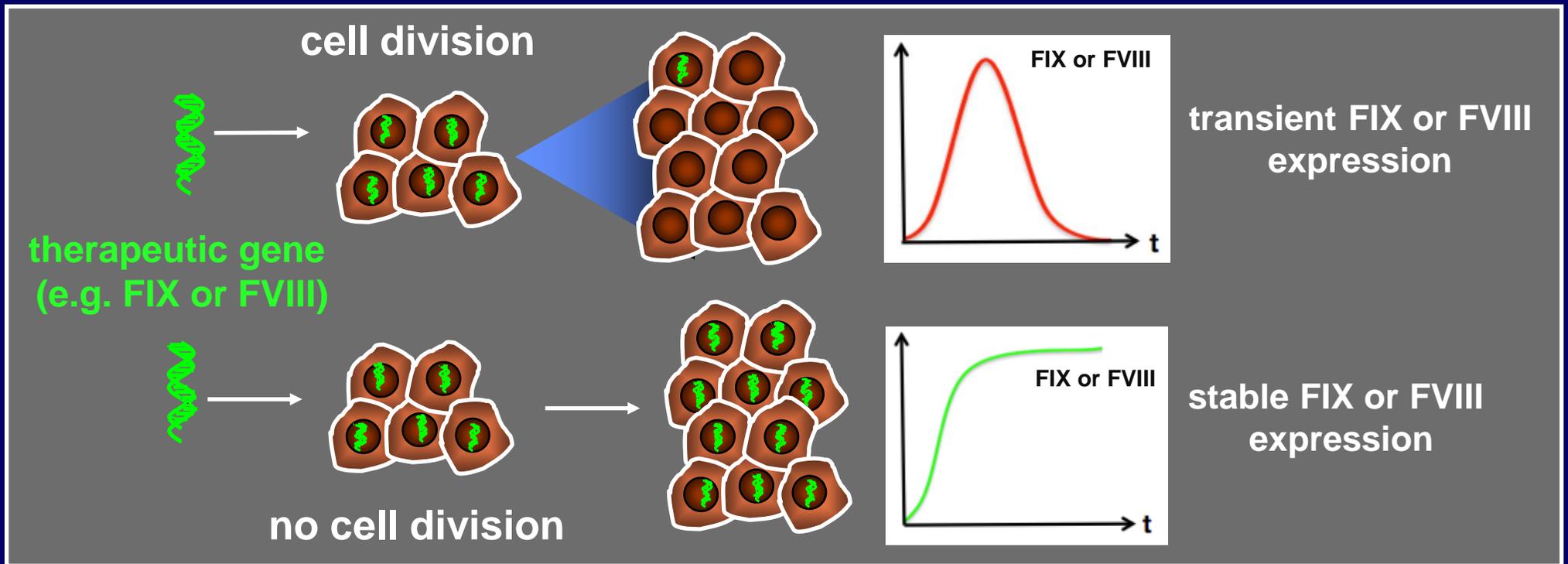
FIX: 10 years²

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ADVANTAGE GENOMIC INTEGRATION: SUSTAINED EXPRESSION IN DIVIDING CELLS IMPLICATIONS FOR PEDIATRIC PATIENTS



GENE EDITING

Correcting the mutation directly *in situ* within the defective gene itself



mutated
'broken'
gene

GENE
EDITING



corrected
gene

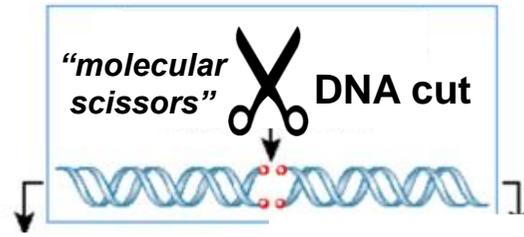


OFF-TARGET
non-desirable



ON-TARGET
desirable





Molecular Therapy

Original Article



Efficient *In Vivo* Liver-Directed Gene Editing Using CRISPR/Cas9

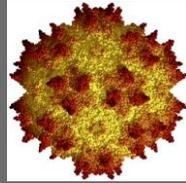
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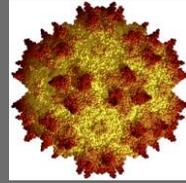
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LIVER-SPECIFIC GENE EDITING OF FIX GENE: CRISPR/Cas9

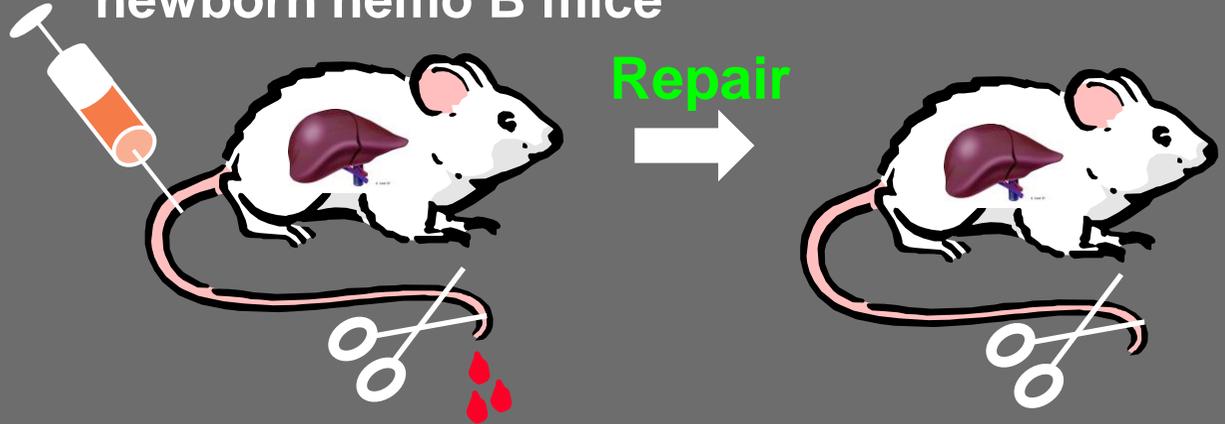
AAV-Cas9-gRNA
(6×10^{10} vg)



AAV-donor-FIX
(2×10^{11} vg)



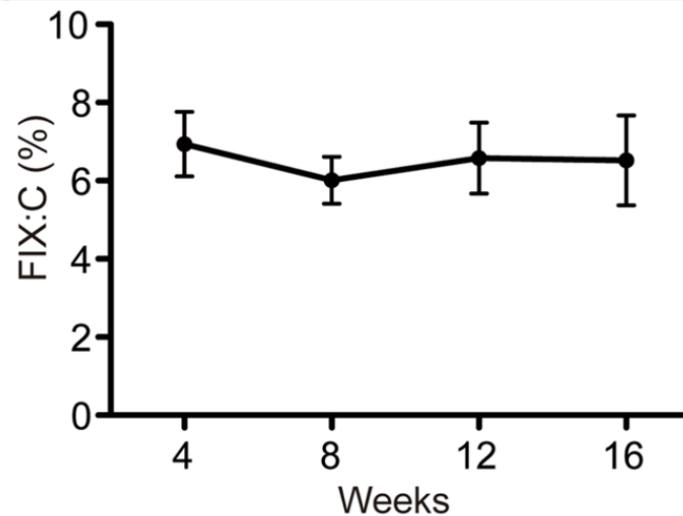
newborn hemo B mice



HDR



Insertion at DSB



GENE THERAPY: KEY QUESTIONS

- IS GENE THERAPY EFFECTIVE?
YES, hemophilia and other genetic diseases; cancer
- HOW LONG IS THE EFFECT OF GENE THERAPY EXPECTED TO LAST? > 7 years – lifelong? LV vs AAV vs gene-editing
- WHAT ARE THE MAIN SAFETY CONCERNS?
hepatitis/inflammation, but can be controlled (cortisone); integration
- CAN PATIENTS BE RETREATED?
Vector-antibodies preclude vector readministration (possible solutions)
- CAN WE TREAT PATIENTS WITH INHIBITORS?
Some animal studies show tolerance induction and disappearance of inhibitors
- WHAT IS THE RISK OF INHIBITOR DEVELOPMENT AFTER GENE THERAPY?
All patients pre-screened for lack thereof
- CAN WE ULTIMATELY TREAT CHILDREN BY GENE THERAPY IDEALLY BEFORE THE ONSET OF JOINT DISEASE?
Likely integrating vector or gene editing needed / AAV readministration ?

CONCLUSIONS

- Sustained FIX (>1% 8 yrs; 30-40%) and FVIII (50%; 2 yrs) expression
- Correction of bleeding, discontinuation prophylaxis
- Diminished factor use; no inhibitors to FIX or FVIII
Immune tolerance to FVIII/FIX in preclinical models



- Short-term safety issues: Immune response (vector, gene-engineered cells); liver toxicity (corticosteroids)
- Long-term safety issues: unknown?
- Patient-to-patient variation: “lucky draw” (risk of traumatic bleeds or thrombosis)



Now this is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning.

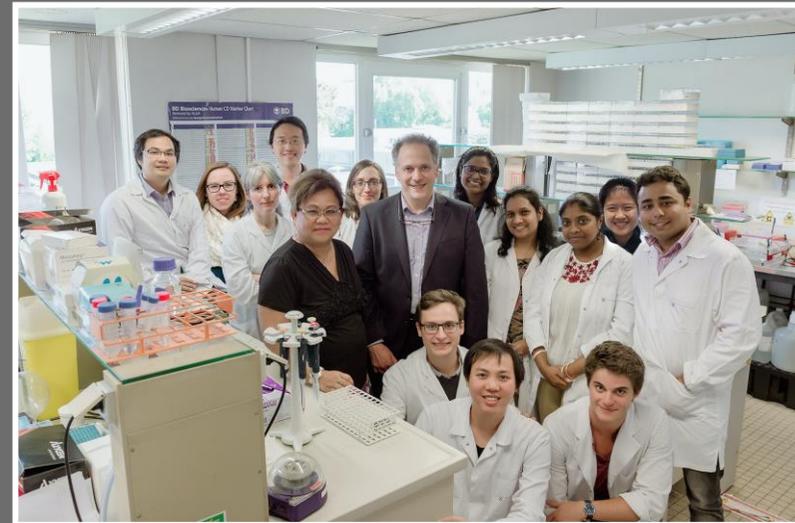
(Winston Churchill)

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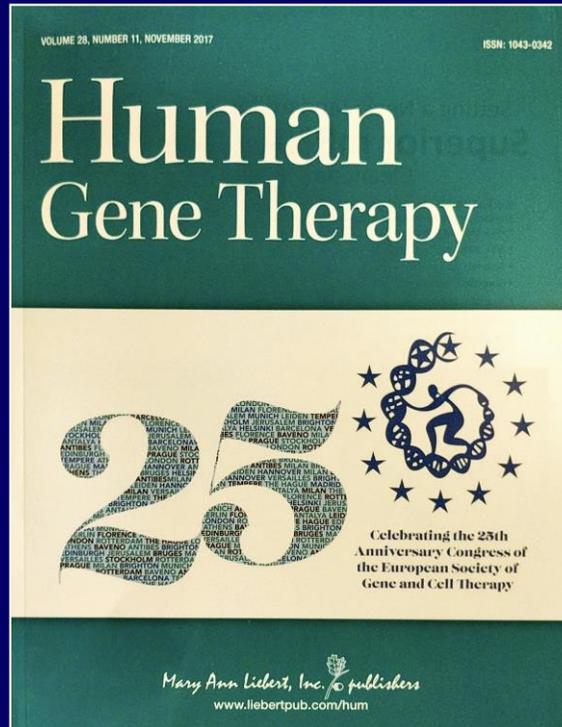
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Hemophilia Gene Therapy: Ready for Prime Time?

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FIX-PADUA GENE THERAPY: CLINICAL TRIALS

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HUMAN GENE THERAPY 26:69-81 (February 2015)
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Research Articles

Employing a Gain-of-Function Factor IX Variant R338L to Advance the Efficacy and Safety of Hemophilia B Human Gene Therapy: Preclinical Evaluation Supporting an Ongoing Adeno-Associated Virus Clinical Trial

Paul E. Monahan^{1,2,3}, Junjiang Sun¹, Tong Gui¹, Genlin Hu¹, William B. Hannah¹, David G. Wichlan^{1,2}, Zhijian Wu^{1,*}, Joshua C. Grieger¹, Chengwen Li¹, Thipparat Suwanmanee¹, Darrel W. Stafford⁴, Carmen J. Booth⁵, Jade J. Samulski⁶, Tal Kafri^{1,7}, Scott W.J. McPhee⁸, and R. Jude Samulski^{1,8}

- FIX Padua variant gave rise to peak expression levels of 30-58%
- 1 subject with sustained activity of ~20% with 3 years of follow-up
- Declining expression in other subjects

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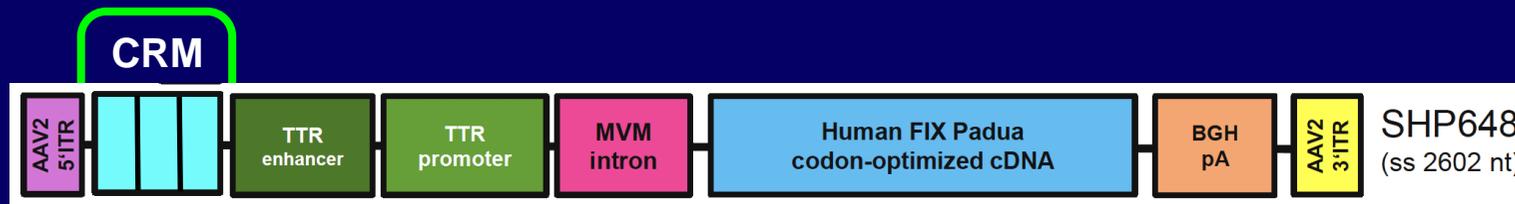
Development of SHP648, Shire's high performing AAV8-based FIX gene therapy vector

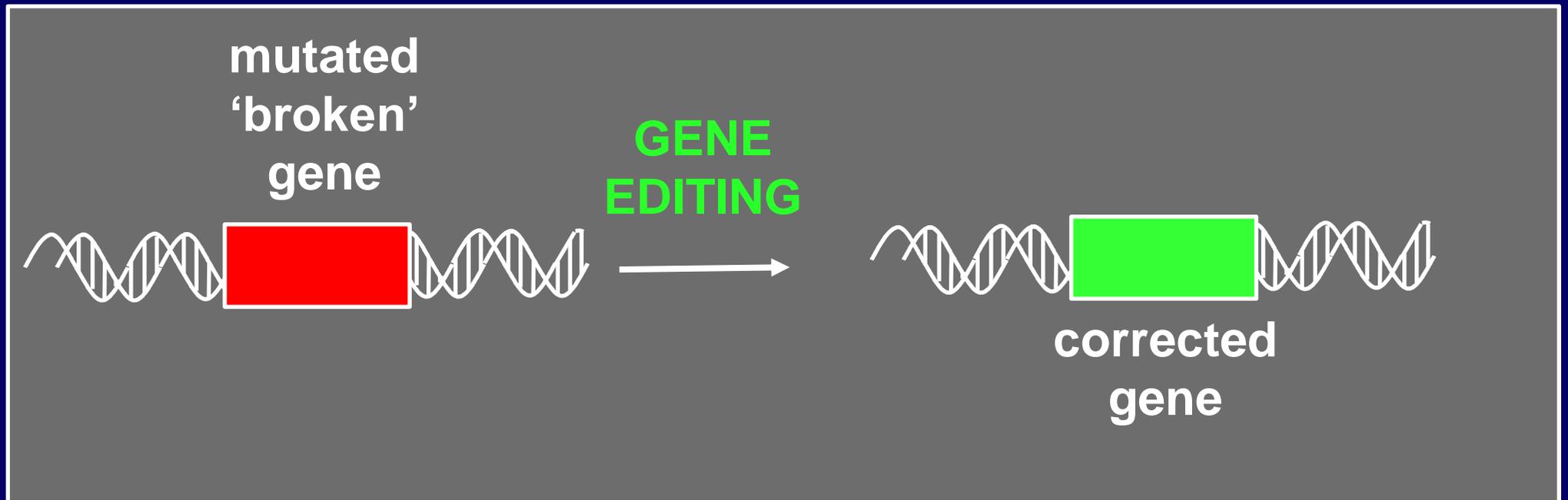
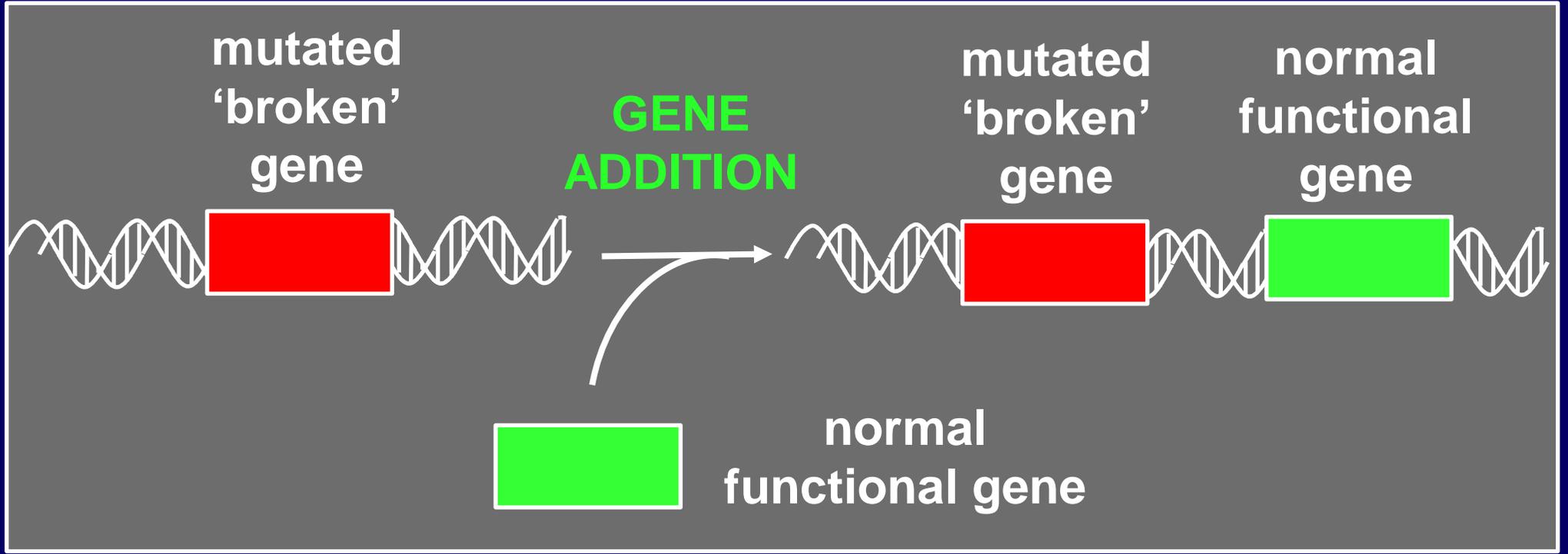
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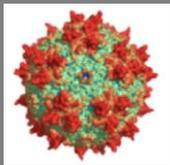
CHALLENGING TO COMPARE EFFICACY/SAFETY IN DIFFERENT GENE THERAPY TRAILS



**APPARENT
HIGH VECTOR DOSES**

**APPARENT
LOW VECTOR DOSES**

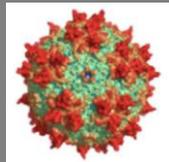
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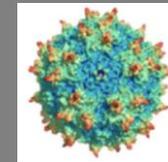
UniQure



AMT-061

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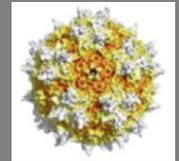
Freeline



AAV8-HLP-hFVIII-V3

2×10^{12} vg/kg

Spark



SPK-8011

2×10^{12} vg/kg

FLT180a

4.5×10^{11} vg/kg

SPK-9001

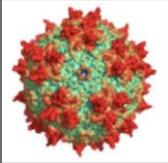
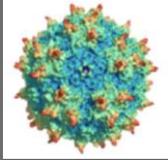
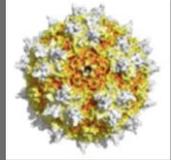
5×10^{11} vg/kg

GENE THERAPY CLINICAL TRIALS FOR HEMOPHILIA A

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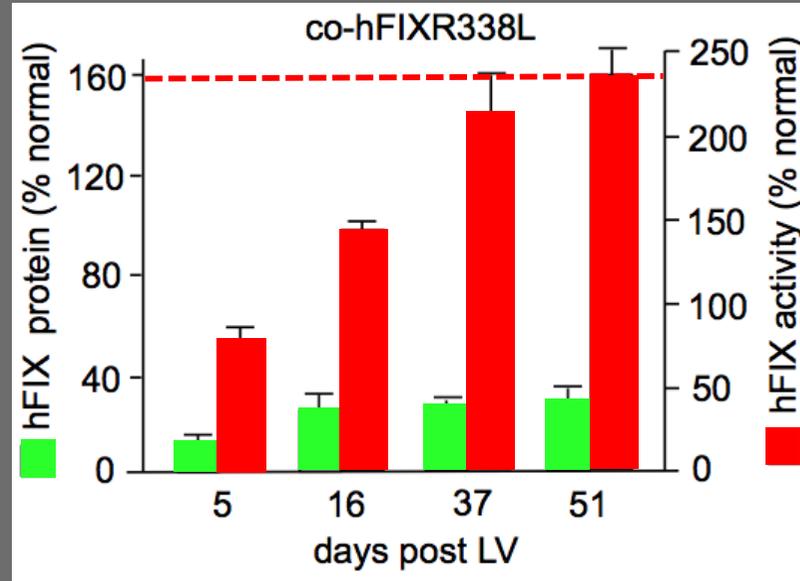
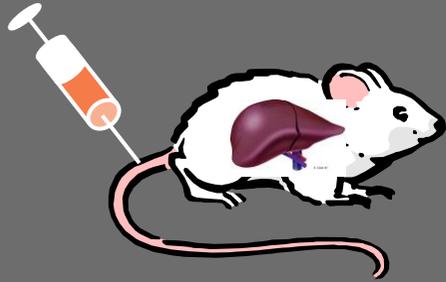
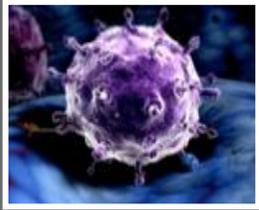
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serotype	 AAV5 BMN 270	 AAV8 AAV8-HLP-hFVIII-V3	 Clade E Spk200 SPK-8011
dose (vg/kg) FVIII	6×10^{12} <1% 2×10^{13} 1-3% 6×10^{13} 40-50% (2 yr)	6×10^{11} 7% (w47) 2×10^{12} 6-69% (w20)	5×10^{11} 15% 1×10^{12} 2×10^{12} 30% (w12) < 6% (*)
	<i>transaminitis</i> <i>steroids</i> <i>no clear dose response</i>	<i>transaminitis</i> <i>steroids</i>	<i>*transient FVIII</i> <i>transaminitis</i> <i>steroids (oral; i.v.)</i>

Lentiviral vector

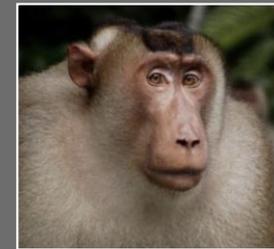


- Efficacy established in human trials
- Sustained expression
- No pre-existing immunity
- Integrated

INTEGRATING VECTOR: LENTIVIRAL-FIX PADUA



stable; 30%



>100%
pigtail macaque



**THERAPEUTIC FIX EXPRESSION IN HEMOPHILIA B
MICE, DOGS AND MACAQUE**

*Be not astonished at new ideas; for it is well known that
that a thing does not therefore cease to be true because
not accepted by many.*

- Baruch Spinoza



Hemophilia B Gene Therapy with a High-Specific-Activity Factor IX Variant

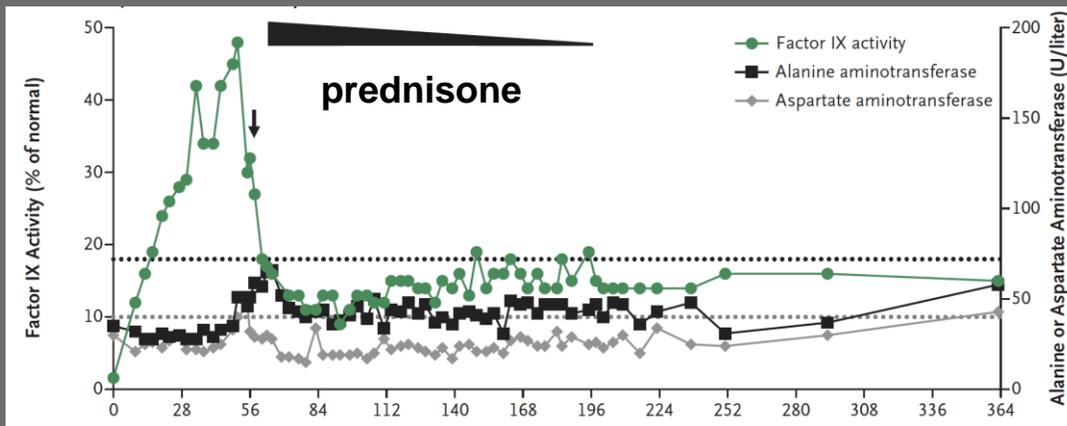
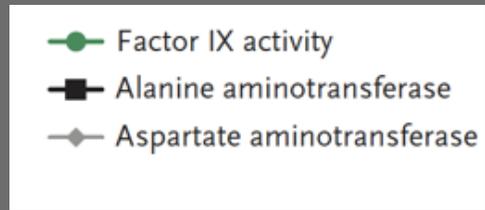
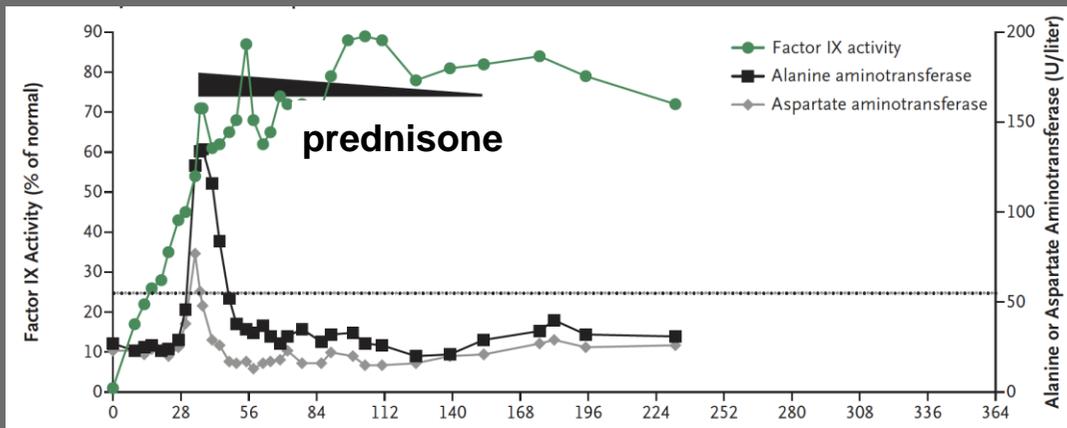
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single i.v. AAV-FIX vector injection 5×10^{11} vg/kg



GENE THERAPY FOR HEMOPHILIA A: BOTTLENECKS IN FVIII PRODUCTION

secretion &
stabilization



FVIII transport
ER to Golgi

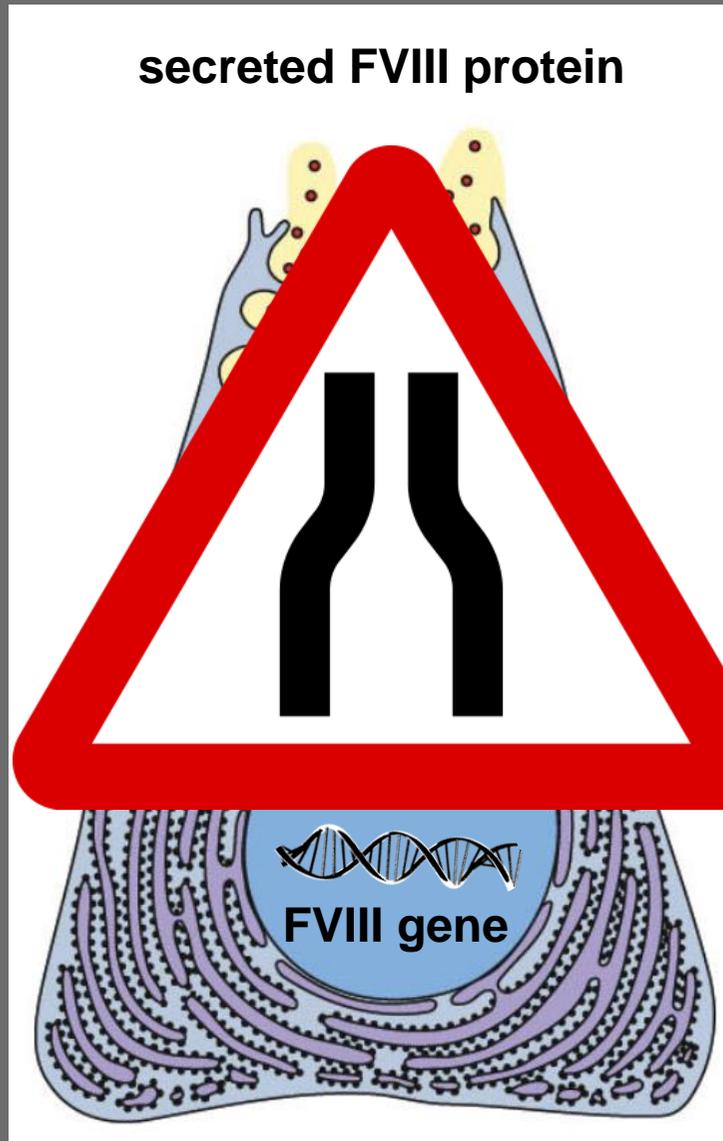
FVIII mannose binding to
LMAN1



FVIII translation
FVIII binding to BiP
ER retention



FVIII transcription



vWF binding



include
glycosylation sites
B-domain
(N6 226aa, V3)



reduce BiP
binding (F309S)



FVIII codon-
optimization



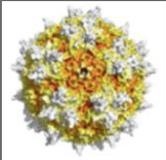
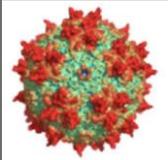
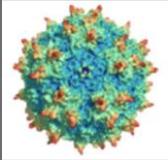
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GENE THERAPY CLINICAL TRIALS FOR HEMOPHILIA B

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PHASE III

PHASE I/II

company	<i>Spark Pfizer</i>	<i>UniQure</i>	<i>Freeline</i>
serotype	 Clade E Spk200 SPK-9001	 AAV5 AMT-061	 AAV8 FLT180a
dose (vg/kg) FIX	5×10^{11} 33% (w52)	2×10^{13} 31% (w6)	4.5×10^{11} 48-66% (w12)
	<i>transaminitis</i> <i>steroids</i>	<i>transaminitis</i> <i>steroids</i>	<i>transaminitis</i> <i>steroids</i>

LENTIVIRAL FIX-PADUA

blood

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Hyper-functional coagulation factor IX improves the efficacy of gene therapy in hemophilic mice

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First validation of FIX Padua in gene therapy (preclinical)

RESEARCH ARTICLE

GENE THERAPY

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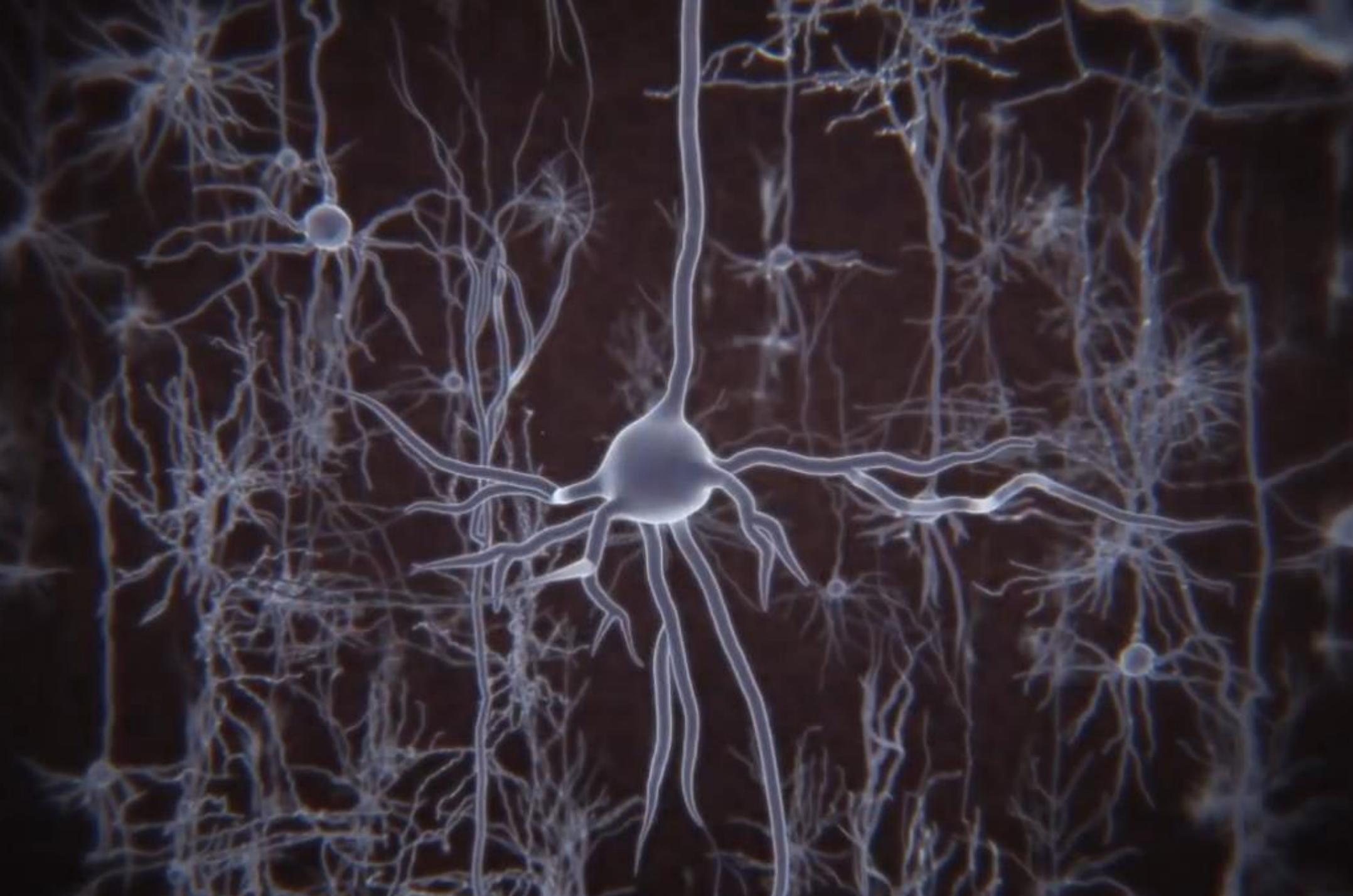
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**RANDOM GENOMIC INTEGRATION
NO CONTROL - SAFETY RISK**





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**FINDING THE NEEDLE IN THE HAYSTACK ...
WITHOUT ANY OFF-TARGET EFFECTS !**

