

Six-Month Safety and Efficacy of ATSN-101 in Patients with Leber Congenital Amaurosis Caused by Biallelic Mutations in *GUCY2D* (LCA1)

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# Leber Congenital Amaurosis (LCA1)

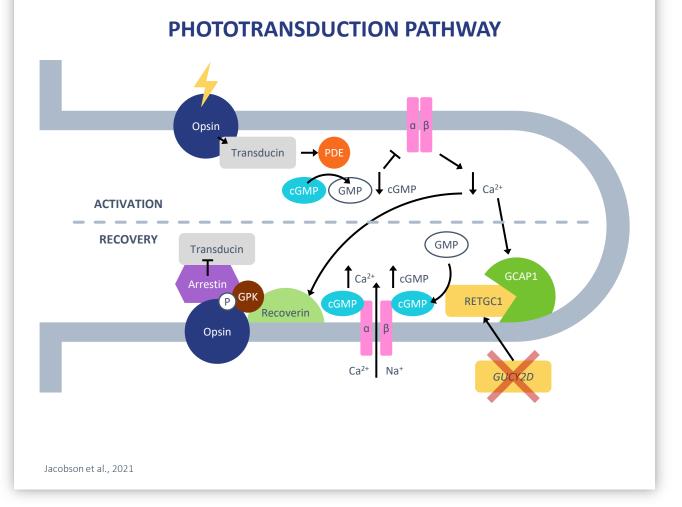
### Leber Congenital Amaurosis Is a Group of Monogenic, Autosomal Recessive Diseases that Are the Leading Cause of Blindness in Children

### LCA1 is caused by mutations in GUCY2D gene

• Result is early vision loss with relatively preserved retinal anatomy

### Mechanism is clear

- *GUCY2D* encodes a protein "retinal Guanylate Cyclase 1" (retGC1) expressed in photoreceptor outer segments
- retGC1 is a key enzyme in the photo-transduction cascade responsible for the recycling of cGMP during the recovery phase
- Without functional retGC1, LCA1 patients' photoreceptors are 'stuck' and cannot recover from light stimulus



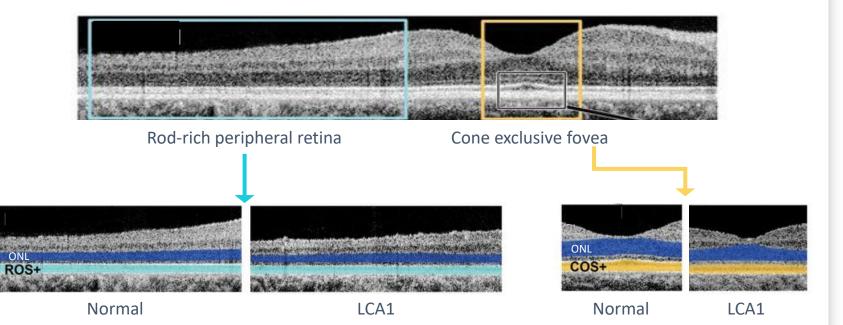
# LCA1 Patients' Retinal Thickness/Structure

Majority of LCA1 Patients Have Relatively Normal Retinal Thickness

Preserved photoreceptor structure increases odds of successful gene therapy

ONL-outer nuclear layer ROS- rod outer segments COS- cone outer segments

### NORMAL PATIENT'S OCT SCAN

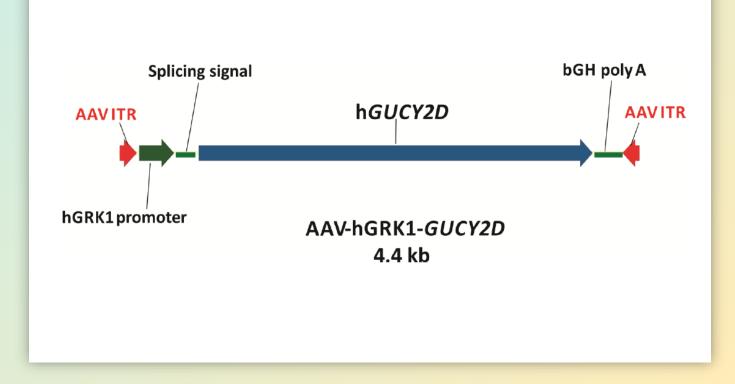


### THE MAJORITY OF LCA1 PATIENTS RETAIN RETINAL STRUCTURE OVER THEIR LIFETIME

High likelihood of successful outcomes with gene replacement therapy

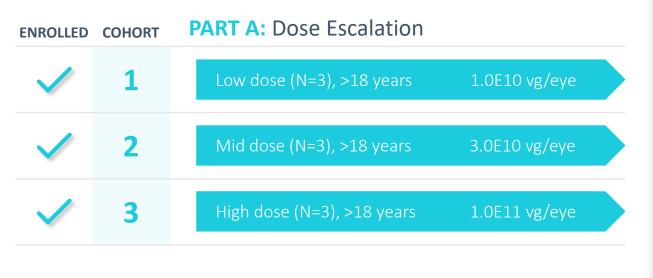
# ATSN-101: AAV5-GUCY2D

- ATSN-101 (AAV5-*GUCY2D*) is a subretinal gene therapy product being developed to introduce the functional human *GUCY2D* to photoreceptors.
- AAV5 Capsid
- Human rhodopsin kinase promoter
- Human *GUCY2D* coding sequence (accession # NM\_000180.4)
- Poly-adenylation signal derived from bovine growth hormone, all flanked by AAV2 inverted terminal
- Subretinal Injection



# LCA1 Phase 1/2 Clinical Trial Design (NCT03920007)

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### **PART B:** Expansion



Drug administered as a single subretinal injection (300 uL) ATSN-101 into study eye

Corticosteroid regimen: 21-day prednisone regimen starting at 1mg/kg/day, 20 mg triamcinalone acetonide periocular injection, and topical 1% prenidsolone

Study eye = worse-seeing eye

### Key inclusion criteria:

- Male or female with biallelic mutations of GUCY2D
- BCVA:
  - Cohort 1-3: 20/200 or worse
  - Cohort 4-5: 20/80 or worse
- Outer nuclear layer identifiable on central retina OCT

### **Primary endpoint:**

• The incidence of adverse events (AEs, SAEs) over a 52-week period following a single subretinal dose of ATSN-101. (Safety follow-up will continue to 5 years.)

### Secondary endpoints:

- BCVA best corrected visual acuity
- FST full-field stimulus testing
- Mobility testing (MLMT)
- Visual Function Questionnaire (VFQ-25)

# **Demographics and Baseline Characteristics**

	Cohort 1 N=3	Cohort 2 N=3	Cohort 3 N=3	Cohort 4 N=3	Cohort 5 N=3	Total N=15
Age (Years)						
Median	35	20	21	22	15	21
Range (Min, Max)	(22,44)	(18,32)	(18,32)	(19,76)	(12,15)	(12,76)
Gender, N(%)						
Female	2	1	3	2	2	10 (67%)
Male	1	2	0	1	1	5 (33%)
Race, N(%)						
Asian	1	0	1	1	0	3 (20%)
White	2	3	2	2	1	10 (67%)
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	2	2 (13%)
Study Eye BCVA (logMAR)						
Median (Snellen equivalent)	1.2 (20/320)	1.28 (20/380)	1.34 (20/440)	1.58 (20/760)	1.32 (20/420)	1.32 (20/420)
Range (Min, Max)	(1.16, 2.9)	(1.06, 4)	(1.16, 3)	(0.72, 3)	(1.22, 1.62)	(0.72, 4)

# Safety Summary

#### No drug-related SAEs reported

- Three SAEs in two subjects have been reported overall, all related to surgical procedure.
  - Macular hole, Endophthalmitis/Retinal detachment

### Ocular inflammation seen to date has been infrequent, minimal, and reversible with steroid treatment

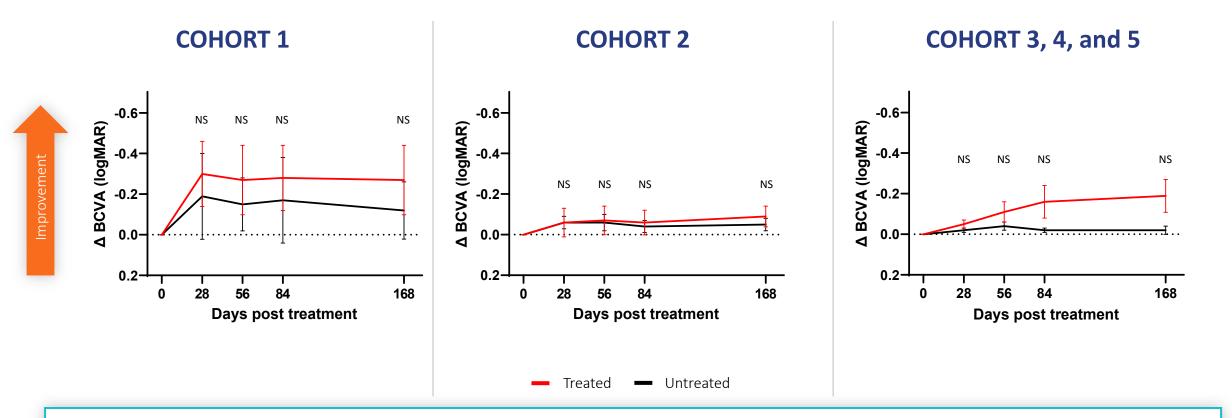
- Eight events of ocular inflammation (subretinal inflammation, vitritis, iridocyclitis) noted, all Grade 1 or 2 in severity and resolved/resolving with steroid.
- Subjects demonstrated improvements in FST despite inflammation.

### Total of 63 TEAEs reported (55 related to surgical procedure)

None have discontinued from the study due to AE

	Cohort 1	Cohort 2	Cohort 3	Cohort 4	Cohort 5	Total	
# of Events							
Any TEAE	11	11	10	15	16	63	
Any Serious TEAE	0	1	0	0	2	3	
Severity							
Grade 1	11	11	8	13	14	57	
Grade 2	0	0	2	2	2	6	
Grade 3-5	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Related to ATSN-101							
Related	0	0	2	2	0	4	
Not Related	11	11	8	13	16	59	
Related to Surgical Procedure							
Related	11	9	9	12	14	55	
Not Related	0	2	1	3	2	8	

## **BCVA Results**



Two high-dose patients demonstrated BCVA improvement greater than 0.3 logMAR No treated eyes had a decrease in BCVA

NS: p >0.05 from paired t-test Error bars represent mean +/- standard error

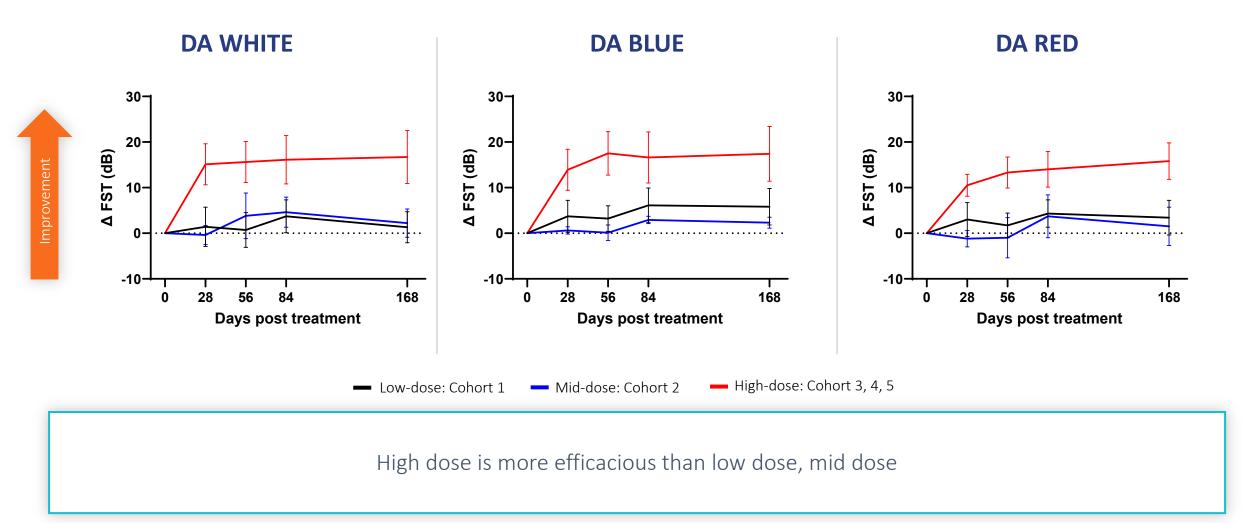
# FST: High Dose (Cohort 3, 4, and 5) Results

**DA WHITE DA BLUE DA RED** 30-30-30-\*\* \* \*\* 20-20-20-FST (dB) Δ FST (dB) Δ FST (dB) Improvement 10-10-10-4 0-0-0--10 -10--10-84 168 28 84 168 28 56 84 168 0 28 56 0 56 0 Days post treatment Days post treatment Days post treatment Treated Untreated

Significant improvement in FST is seen across all three colors tested with dark adapted (DA) FST

\*: p<0.05, \*\*: p<0.01 from paired t-test Error bars represent mean +/- standard error

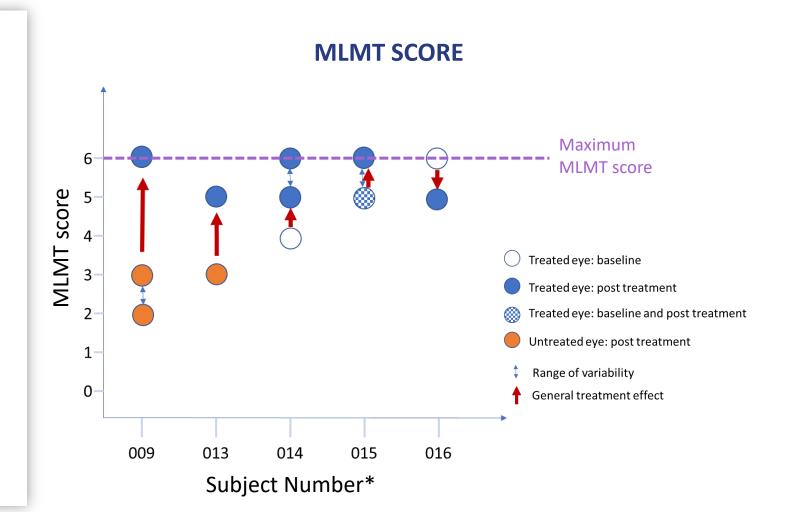
# FST Dose Comparison



## MLMT

### Five subjects were tested with Spark Therapeutics' MLMT in highdose (Cohort 3, 4, and 5)

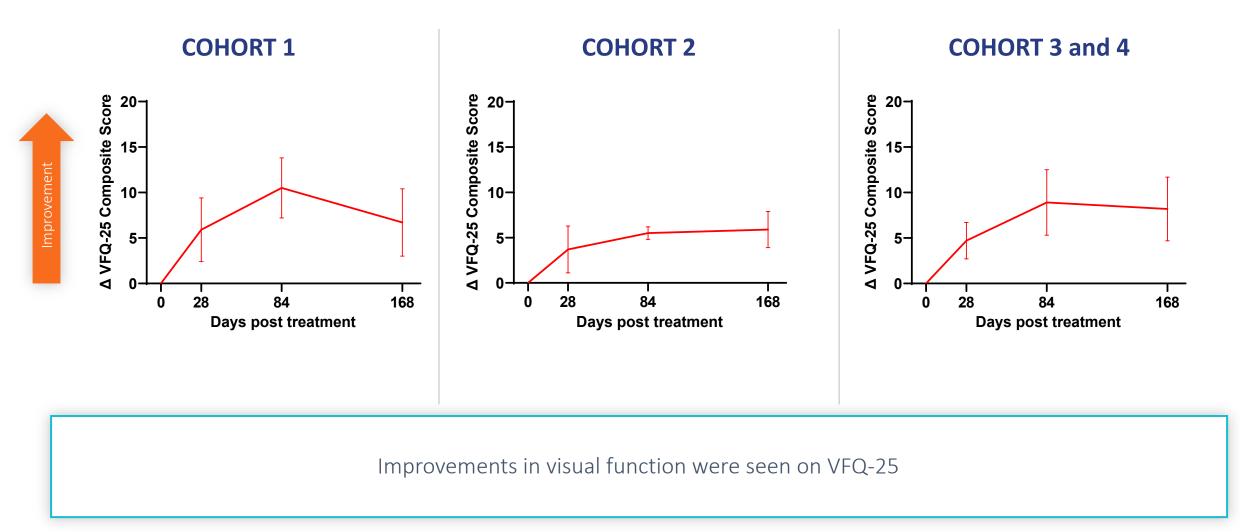
- FDA considers 2-step improvement on MLMT to be clinically meaningful
- Four subjects demonstrated either a maximum MLMT score of 6 or >= 2 level improvement at one or more post treatment visits
  - 3 out of 4 demonstrated >= 2 level improvement
  - Improvement: compared to baseline or untreated fellow eye (when baseline unavailable)
- Individual patient response limited by ceiling effect.



<sup>\*</sup> For patients 009 and 013, MLMT test at baseline was not performed,

the MLMT score at the untreated eye at follow-up was used at the baseline for the treated eye .

### Patient Reported Outcomes



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### SAFETY

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### **EFFICACY**

- BCVA response is variable
- FST: Significant improvement in FST is seen across all three colors tested with dark adapted FST
  - High dose (1.0E11 vg/eye) is more efficacious than low dose, mid dose
- MLMT: Clear improvement in MLMT is seen,
  3 out of 4 subjects showing clinically meaningful improvement

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