

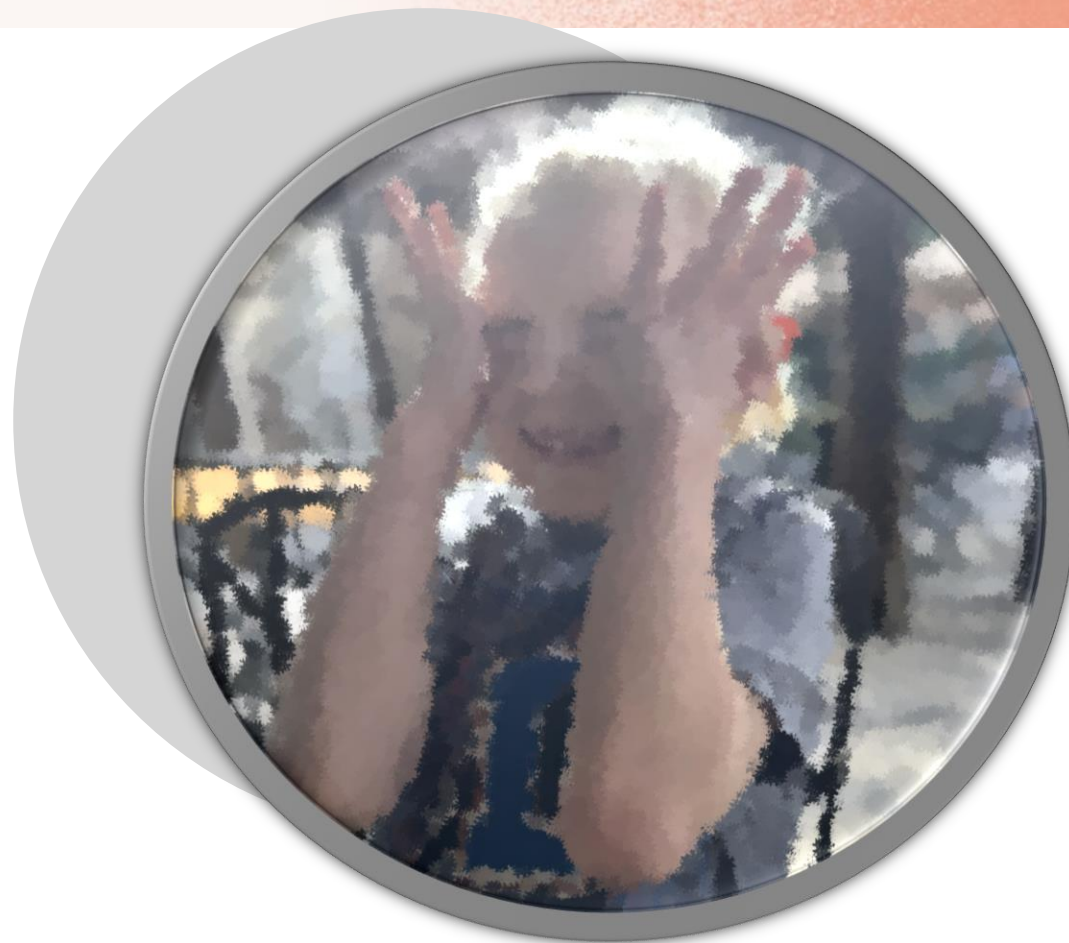
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From Dream to Reality: A Scalable Solution for the Treatment of the Nano-rare

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Agenda

- Creating a Solution for the Nano-rare: Industrialize
- Building the Infrastructure of Integrated Experts and Processes
- Key Achievements and Team Behind the Success
- The Future of n-Lorem

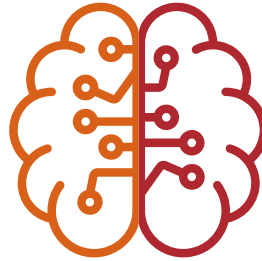
Creating a Solution for the Nano-rare

- Purposeful step-by-step growth towards a scalable individualized ASO treatment solution
 - Recruit **internal expertise** to lead and build each function
 - Embed external perspectives across the entire process through **expert committees**
 - Establish a **network of partners/ providers**.
 - Ensure every step of the process provides direct **benefit to the patient**.
 - Establish an industrialized approach that *maintains the focus on each individual patient*

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One Patient at a Time



Industrialized



Fundamental, often linear steps in a process one at a time



Primarily driven by activities performed manually



Low(er) throughput



Not scalable (enough)



Inefficient and costly



Activities occur in parallel for efficiency



Leverages robots to ensure comprehensive design



High-throughput



Scalable with high-quality



Efficient and more cost-effective



Building the Infrastructure with Integrated Experts and Processes



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Integrated Processes & Building a Cohesive Team

Providing an optimal ASOs to nano-rare patients is the product of high-quality processes and years of expertise and experience



Sarah Glass

Molecular Geneticist
Clinical trial expertise
Operational
Management



**Konstantina
(Nadina) Skourti-
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RNA Expert
ASO discovery and
design



Julie Douville

Toxicologist
ASO expertise
Non-clinical
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**Laurence (Laury)
Mignon**

Neuroscientist
ASO expertise
Clinical development



Amy Williford

Communications
Educator
Fundraising expertise

Establishing Systems
Processes
Creating Unified
Cohesive Team

Creating
Optimal ASOs
ATTC - RMC

Preclinical to
Regulatory
RMC - IND

Clinical & Safety
Patient Mgmt &
Treatment
STAR - DSMB

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Key Questions Answered When Establishing an End-to-End Process to Bring Individualized Treatments to Nano-rare

- 1 How do we evaluate and identify which patients n-LoRem can help?
- 2 How do we ensure every patient is treated with a quality and optimal ASO?
- 3 How do we meet regulatory requirements for safety and quality of each ASO?
- 4 How do we determine whether each patient is benefiting from their ASO?
- 5 How do we create a nano-rare community, ensure awareness, and share data and progress broadly?

1 How Do We Evaluate and Identify Which Patients n-Lorem Can Help?

- **Physician** applies to n-Lorem on behalf of their patient
- Requires **extensive genotype and phenotype** information on each patient
- **Internal scientific review** by medical genetics and antisense experts
- External **Access to Treatment Committee (ATTC)** reviews and makes recommendations on amenability to ASO treatment
- n-Lorem **Executive Committee** decision
- Every (blinded) patient genotype and phenotype information reviewed by **>25 experts**

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Access to Treatment Committee (ATTC) Case # 255

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- **Candidate Gene:** *Kinesin family member 1A (KIF1A)*
- **Gene family:** Kinesin family of motor proteins
- **Expression:** Primarily CNS

Genetics

- **Strength of evidence:** Good biochemical evidence that the mutation affects KIF1A binding affinity to microtubules.

Genetic Change and Impact

- **Impact of genetic change on gene function-** The P305L mutation results in a decrease in binding affinity of KIF1A to microtubules. The mutations has an effect on the velocity and force generation of the motor, but the primary defect seems to be a decrement in binding affinity (Lam et al. [BioRxiv 09 19 20](#)).

Comprehensive Evaluation of Patient's Genotype and Phenotype to Drive Acceptance Decision

Proposed Antisense Treatment Plan

- **Antisense approach**
 - Allele selective targeting of the P305L allele with RNaseH1 selective ASO
- **Route of delivery-** Intrathecal, intravitreal
- **Potential challenges to discovery of an effective ASO-** Identification of a SNP that is sensitive to ASO reverses neuronal phenotype

Benefit/Risk Assessment

- **Potential benefit-** Improvement of epilepsy, prevention of further neurodegeneration in CNS and eye. Improvement in peripheral neuropathy
- **Likely residual health issues:** Likely residual neurodevelopmental issues
- **Potential risks of treatment:** Further worsening of condition if not able to get adequate selectivity
- **Risk mitigation approaches:** Work with investigator and patient organization to develop biomarker that can be used to measure axonal transport and release of synaptic vesicles

2 How Do We Ensure Every Patient is Treated with a Quality and Optimal ASO?

- Leverages deep **understanding of antisense technology** and **30 years of experience**
- Commercial-level **automation**
- Comprehensive design ensures the **optimal ASO** (>500 ASOs in initial screen for non-allele selective)
 - Quality and scientific rigor
- Individual program decisions that leverage **cross-portfolio knowledge and experience**
- **Partnerships** for small-scale synthesis, equipment providers, non-GLP tolerability studies

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ASO Design and Discovery Data Anchors Each Research IND

Table 1 n-Lorem Research and Development Process

Step	Purpose	Minimum criteria
ASO design including in silico off-target assessment	Exclude motifs associated with ASO structure, repeat sequences, cytotoxicity, pro-inflammatory effects and off targets, and to include attractive motifs	All important attractive motifs included, unattractive excluded
Primary ASO screen	To identify optimal sites in target RNA for ASO and H-1 binding	>80% target reduction
5-point dose response evaluation of multiple ASOs	To select at least 20 ASOs for in vivo tolerability screening	IC50 1 µmol (free uptake)
In vitro off-target analysis	To confirm selectivity of ASO for target RNA vs. any worrisome off-target	~10-fold difference in IC50s for target RNA vs. off target
BJAB Assay	To exclude activators of innate immunity	Less than 2-fold increase in TNF-alpha at high ASO concentrations
Single dose tolerability screen in mouse and rat	To identify any ASO with high potential for transient paresis, and to identify optimally tolerated lead ASOs	Predicted safety margin in rodents in GLP studies of 25-40
Repeat-dose GLP 3-month rodent toxicity	To identify NOAEL and cell types at risk	An attractive therapeutic index with an acceptable NOAEL
GMP Manufacturing	Quality ASO drug substance	Pure, stable drug product
Sterile Fill and Finish	Quality, stable and sterile ASO drug	Sterile vials for administration

2.4.2 Pharmacology

2.4.2.1 Primary Pharmacodynamics

2.4.2.1.1 In Vitro Studies

ASO Design – Close to 500 antisense oligonucleotides (ASO) of mixed backbone design (PO/PS) were designed to target the pre-mRNA of the pathogenic allele of *KIF1A*.

Oligonucleotides were designed to promote selective degradation of the mutant *KIF1A* RNA through recruitment of RNase H1 to the RNA-oligonucleotide heteroduplex (Crooke ST, et

2.4.4 Toxicology

The toxicity of nL-CHCHD-001 was assessed in an 8-week single intracerebroventricular dose study in mice (Study No. CHCHD10-230221), an 8-week single intrathecal dose study in rats (Study No. CHCHD10-230301), and a GLP compliant 13-week once monthly intrathecal dose study in Sprague Dawley rats (Study No. nL00010-tox-r/CRL Study No. 5550047).

Genotoxicity, carcinogenicity, reproductive and developmental toxicity studies were not conducted as they are not required based on the Draft FDA guidance on, “Nonclinical Testing of Individualized Antisense Oligonucleotide Drug Products for Severely Debilitating or Life-Threatening Diseases” (FDA 2021).

A summary of completed and ongoing toxicity studies is provided in Table 4 below.

Table 5 Summary of nL-CHCHD-001 (ION-1757626) Toxicology Studies

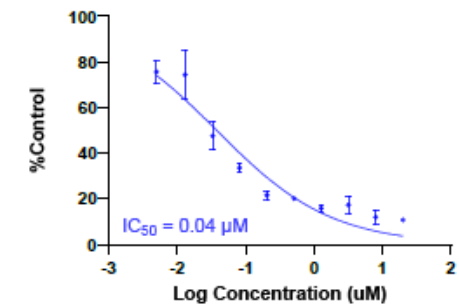
Study No.	Study Title	Dosing Route	Doses and Regimen	GLP	Start Date	End Date
Completed Studies						
CHCHD10-230221	8-Week Single ICV Dose Tolerability Study with nL-CHCHD-001 (ION-1757626) in Mice	ICV	0.7 mg on Day 0	No	21 Feb 2023	18 Apr 2023
CHCHD10-230301	8-Week Single Intrathecal Dose Tolerability Study with nL-CHCHD-001 (ION-1757626) in Rats	IT	3 mg on Day 0	No	01 Mar 2023	26 Apr 2023

Ongoing Study

n-Lorem Foundation
nL-CHCHD-001

Initial Investigational New Drug Application
IND No. 171604, Serial No. 0000

Figure 1: Dose-response Analysis of nL-CHCHD-001 Targeting Human *CHCHD10* pre-mRNA.



3 How Do We Meet Regulatory Requirements for Safety and Quality of Each ASO?

- Establish **streamlined system** for coordination of CRO/ CMO activities with associated regulatory-caliber data review, analysis and reporting
- Toxicologists apply experience leading individualized ASO GLP-toxicity studies to ensure **safety of clinical compound**
- ASO CMC experts apply experience with commercial grade drug product/ substance and relevant commercial processes and learnings leading to **quality drug product** for the patient
- **Partner** with leading CRO and CMO organizations who enable high-volume efficiencies
- Highest priorities: **Safety** of an ASO and **quality** of drug product

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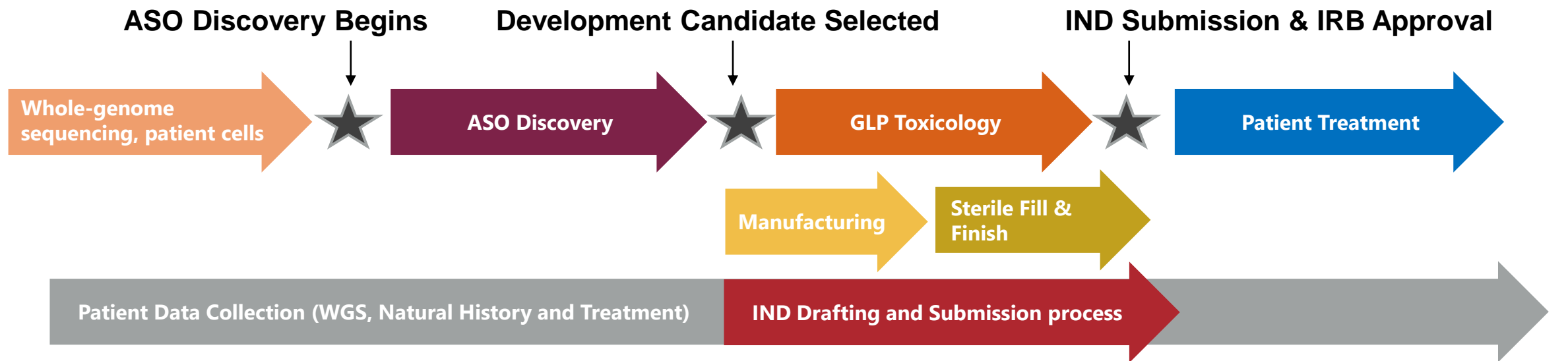
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n-Lorem's ASO Discovery & Development Process

- Individualized and infinitely scalable
- n-Lorem uses the efficiency of ASO technology and the FDA guidance for nano-rare patients to provide rapid, effective and affordable treatments



Meeting All Requirements for IND Submission and Approval

Initial Investigational New Drug (IND) Application

Drug Name: nL-KIF1-001

Indication: Treat an individual patient with a Kinesin family member 1A (*KIF1A*) c914C>T gene mutation

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Initial Investigational New Drug Application

nL-CHCHD-001

IND No. 171604, Serial No. 0000

3.2.P.5 CONTROL OF DRUG PRODUCT

3.2.P.5.1 Specifications

The specification for nL-CHCHD-001 for Injection, 15 mg/mL is shown in Table 8. Unless noted otherwise, all methods are defined by Argonaut or ChemGenes method SOP numbers.

Table 8. Specification for nL-CHCHD-001 for Injection, 15 mg/mL

Test	Method	Acceptance Criteria
Identity by mass spectrometry	ESI-MS	Mass of major product within 5% of expected mass
Appearance (visual inspection)	SOP-0129	Clear colorless to slightly yellow solution essentially free from visible particles
Purity	IP-RP HPLC IE0-80-100-30min	Purity \geq 90.0% area No single impurity > 4%
pH	SOP-0087	7.0 – 7.4
Osmolality	SOP-0136	Report mOsm/kg
Endotoxin Kinetic chromogenic method	USP <85>	\leq 1.5 EU/mL
Concentration based on free acid of parent oligonucleotide	SOP-0093	14.0 – 16.0 mg/mL
Sterility	USP <71>	No growth
Particulate Matter	USP <788>	\leq 6000 particles \geq 10 μ m \leq 600 particles \geq 25 μ m



**FDA U.S. FOOD & DRUG
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IND [REDACTED]

STUDY MAY PROCEED

n-Lorem Foundation
Attention: Julie Douville
Executive Director ASO Discovery and Development
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Dear Julie Douville:

Please refer to your investigational new drug application (IND) submitted under section 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for nL-[REDACTED]-001.

This IND includes your protocol entitled, "An open-label, single-center, single-participant study of an experimental antisense oligonucleotide treatment for a patient with *LMNB1* mutation associated [REDACTED]"

We have completed our safety review of your protocol and, as discussed with you by electronic mail with [REDACTED] RPM, of this Division on September 4, 2024, have concluded that you may proceed with your proposed clinical investigation.

Sponsor Reference No. nLorem-00255

A 13-Week Repeat Dose Toxicity Study of ION-1615907 by Intrathecal Injection in Rats

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4 How Do We Determine Whether Each Patient is Benefiting from Their ASO?

- Study Treatment and Assessment Review (STAR) committee to support decision regarding **treatment goals and assessments**
- Data Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB) to provide independent quarterly **review of data** to ensure patient safety
- n-Lorem hosted REDCap platform allows physicians to **directly enter data** into patient-specific case report forms
- Partner with leading institutions to enable **patient treatment**
- **Data** supports physicians' continual treatment decision

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The Path to Treatment

An open-label single center, single-patient study of an experimental antisense oligonucleotide treatment for Kinesin family member 1A (*KIF1A*) gene mutation

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Study Product: Experimental Antisense Oligonucleotide nL-KIF1-001
IND Number: 161670

Protocol Version Number: 4.0

Protocol Version Date: 21JUN 2024

Consent Form to Participate in a Research Study and HIPAA Authorization

Title of research study and general information

Study title:	<i>An open-label single center, single patient study of an experimental antisense oligonucleotide treatment for Kinesin family member 1A (KIF1A) gene mutation</i>
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nL-KIF1-001 Study Drug Manual

An Open-Label Single Center, Single Patient Study of an Experimental Antisense Oligonucleotide Treatment for Kinesin family member 1A (*KIF1A*) Gene Mutation

nL-KIF1-001 Study Drug Manual

(Version 1.6 – JULY 2024)

5 How Do We Create a Nano-rare Community, Ensure Awareness, Share Data and Progress Broadly?

- **n-Lorem Podcast** provides a platform for partners and stakeholder to discuss their perspectives with n-Lorem
- Foster open dialogue with the nano-rare community through our **annual nano-rare patient colloquium**
- Constant and timely **social media coverage** is critical to driving awareness of successes and challenges
- **Patient stories** inspire and motivate
- Collective public posture drives fundraising
- **Publish** early and often ensure accurate information reaches the community
- Create a groundswell of excitement of hope realized for nano-rare

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Public Posture and Publications

Brief Communication | Published: 09 August 2024

Antisense oligonucleotide therapy in an individual with KIF1A-associated neurological disorder

[Alban Ziegler](#), [Joanne Carroll](#), [Jennifer M. Bain](#), [Tristan T. Sands](#), [Robert J. Fee](#), [David Uher](#), [Cara H. Kanner](#), [Jacqueline Montes](#), [Sarah Glass](#), [Julie Douville](#), [Laurence Mignon](#), [Joseph G. Gleeson](#), [Stanley T. Crooke](#) & [Wendy K. Chung](#) 

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naturemedicine

This lifesaving treatment was designed for one. Could it be the future of medical care?



[Karen Weintraub](#)
USA TODAY



Published 5:07 a.m. ET Nov. 26, 2023 | Updated 9:27 a.m. ET Nov. 26, 2023



ENDPOINTS NEWS

A teenager faced constant seizures. Could a drug developed just for him stop them?



The New York Times

They Created a Drug for Susannah. What About Millions of Other Patients?

The San Diego Union-Tribune.

A devastating rare disease. A medicine created just for her son. Will it work?

San Diego nonprofit n-Lorem plans to treat patients with rare genetic diseases for free, and for life. It's an approach some say could revolutionize medicine — if it can be scaled.

Jonathan Wosen, September 16, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.



Rare Disease ADVISOR

ASOs Drive Foundation's Work to Develop Treatments for the World's Rarest Diseases

Read the full story at arediseaseadvisor.com  n-lorem FOUNDATION

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Addressing the Challenges of Treating Patients with Heterozygous Gain of Function Mutations

Stanley T. Crooke

A bespoke genetic therapy is helping Susannah. Can similar drugs be made at scale for other rare diseases?



By [Jonathan Wosen](#)^{2 3} Aug. 9, 2024

STAT

Key Achievements

- Created an **independent world-class team** of 31 experts in antisense and drug development
- **Industrialized** scalable quality systems and processes to efficiently discover and develop quality ASOs for as many patients as we can
- Every ASO program involves >75 leading experts with decades of experience
- **Sufficient growth to** meet the demand
- **Minimize cost per patient** by establishing a network of CROs and partners
- Build a **network of leading clinical sites and physicians** who are committed to the care of nano-rare patients
- Ensure **optimal benefit and safety**
- Establish platforms and systems to **learn maximally** from each patient and in aggregate
- Rapid creation of assets that we hope will assure **n-Lorem's sustainability**

2024: A New Era of Opportunity for Nano-rare Patients



21 approved INDs for 29 patients in <2 years

Pristine safety and tolerability

7/7 showing clinical benefit

The Team Behind Our Success

‘The whole is greater than the sum of the parts’



Alexia Cordova



Billy Lilley



Helen Pu



Lesley Saldana



Sarah Glass



Amy Williford



Catherine Parisien



Julia Pytte



Megan Knutsen



Stan Crooke



Ana Foroughishafiei



Cedrik Ngongang



Julie Douville



Mike Taylor



Swappi Mittal



Andrew Sanginario



Craig McIntosh



Katherine Smith



Nadina Skourti-Stathaki



Thuy Nguyen



Andrew Serrano



Elena Gonzalez



Kim Butler



Nafiso Hussein



Travis Radford



Anthony Vu



Emily Miyoshi



Laury Mignon



Natalie Abu Hamdan



Virginia Sankey



Wei Zhang



Ria Thomas

Looking to the Future: Sky's the Limit

- Maintain **focus on each patient** throughout the process and **the quality of the ASO**
- Individual patient-centered decisions at every step become **more efficient and concise** through **iteration**
- Continue to **optimize** the ASO discovery and development process and grow the partner network
- Continually increase and improve upon **capacity and scalability** through partnerships and internal growth
- **Innovating molecular mechanisms** through research will **broaden** the type and number of patients' mutations we can target
- Focus on challenges with **access** to the medicines
 - Treatment institutions, funding

Thank you

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Session Ahead: n-Lorem Leaders Introducing Their Functional Areas



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