# Nonclinical Data for PGN-EDODM1 Demonstrated Nuclear Delivery, Mechanistic and Meaningful Activity for the Potential Treatment of DM1



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#### INTRODUCTION

- The Enhanced Delivery Oligonucleotide (EDO) platform is engineered to optimize the tissue penetration, cellular uptake and nuclear delivery of oligonucleotide therapeutic candidates.
- Myotonic Dystrophy type 1 (DM1) is a multi-systemic disease that has a significant impact on quality of life.
- Limited delivery and distribution of unconjugated oligonucleotides to affected tissues limit their potential effectiveness in DM1.
- **PGN-EDODM1** is an investigational EDO under Phase 1 clinical investigation for the treatment of people with DM1.
- Here, PGN-EDODM1 was evaluated in multiple nonclinical models including DM1 human derived muscle cells, the HSA<sup>LR</sup> mouse model of DM1 and in wild-type (WT) mice and non-human primates (NHPs).

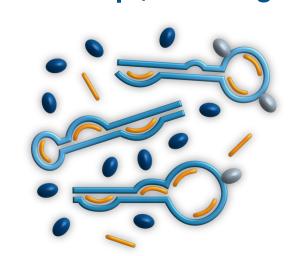
### PGN-EDODM1 IS DESIGNED TO LIBERATE MBNL1 WITHOUT REDUCING DMPK LEVELS

# DM1 PATHOLOGY DMPK transcript CUG repeat hairpin loops bind MBNL1 and form foci

• Expanding foci trap more MBNL1

#### MBNL1 COMPETITION

PGN-EDODM1 binds to the CUG repeats in the DMPK transcript, reducing toxic foci



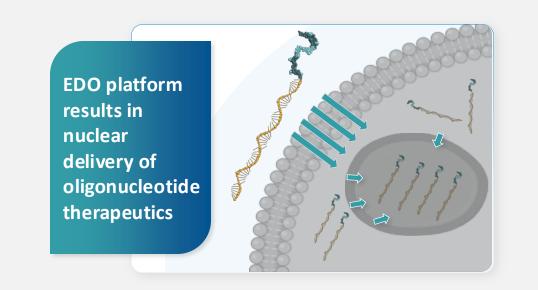
- Binding of PGN-EDODM1 liberates MBNL1, restoring physiological splicing
- DMPK transcript retained; role in cellular processes uninterrupted

O denotes free (active) MBNL1
Cenotes bound (inactive) MBNL1

denotes PGN-EDODM1

#### CELLULAR DELIVERY AND ACTIVITY DATA

# Naked oligonucleotides do not efficiently penetrate muscle cells and nucleus



#### PGN-EDODM1 REDUCED TOXIC FOCI, LIBERATED MBNL1 AND CORRECTED MIS-SPLICING IN DM1 MUSCLE CELLS

#### **MBNL1 LIBERATION TOXIC FOCI REDUCTION** Foci quantification Not treated (NT) Not treated (NT) 54% reduction PGN-EDODM1 nucleus DM1 cells (2,600 CTG repeats) PGN-EDODM1 **Hours:** 0 24 PGN-EDODM1 PGN-EDODM1 dose Analysis 10 20 NT Dose (µM) Foci / Nucleus MBNL1

Across multiple transcripts

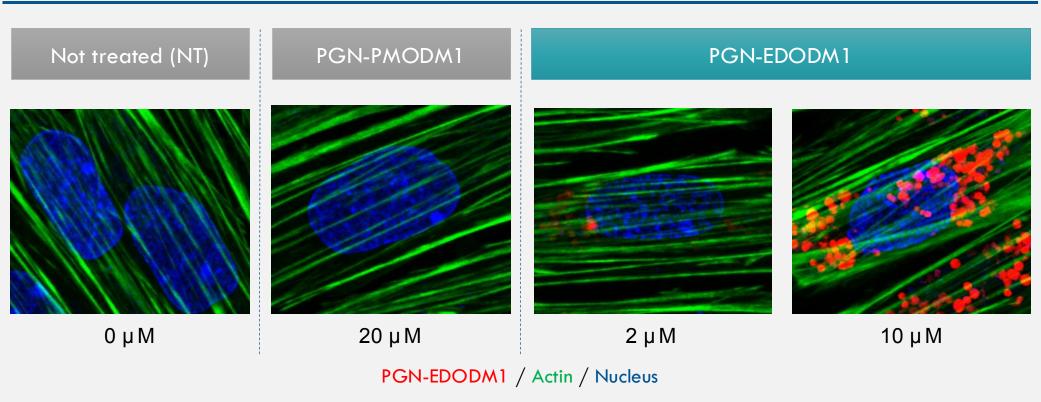
Across multiple transcripts

69% correction

NT NT 2 10 20

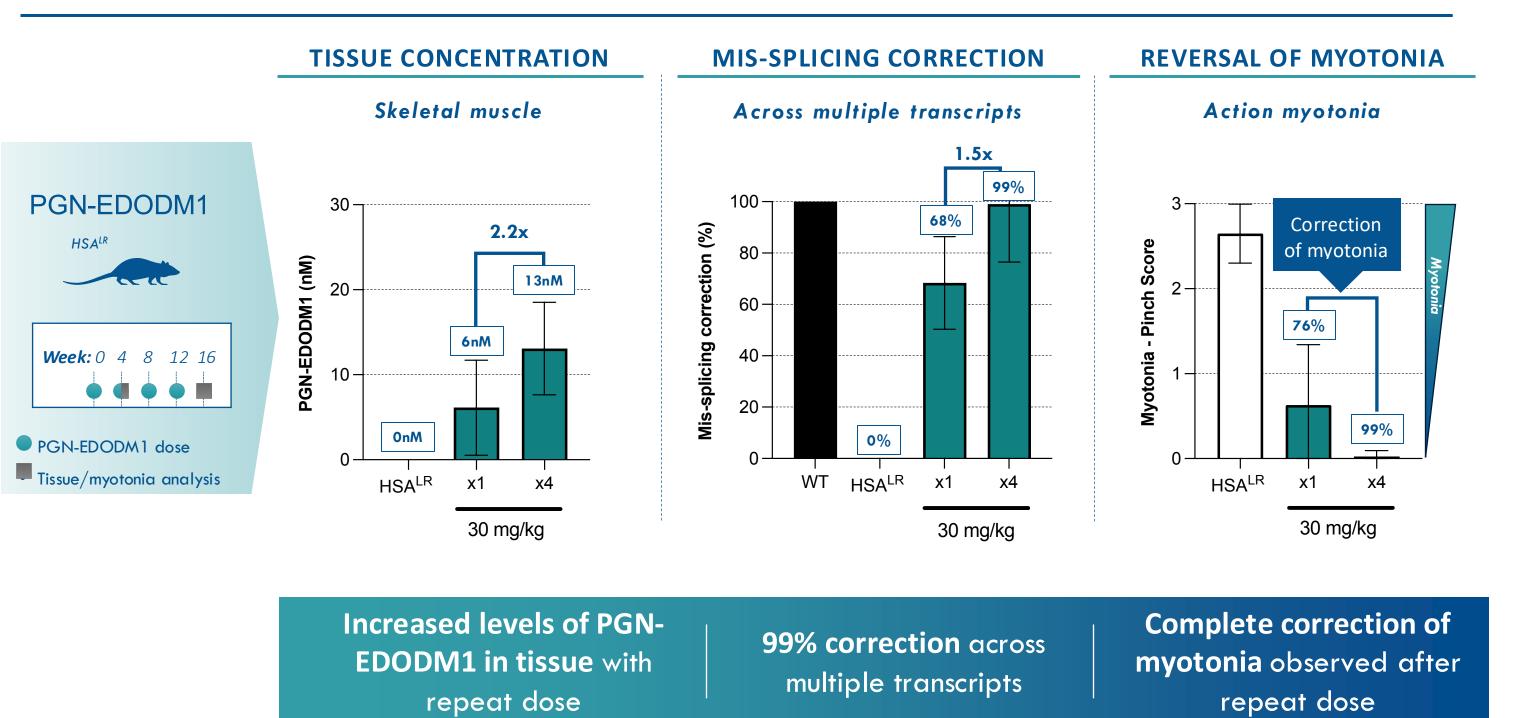
Healthy cells (Dose, µM)

# PGN-EDODM1 RESULTED IN HIGH LEVELS OF NUCLEAR DELIVERY IN DM1 MUSCLE CELLS

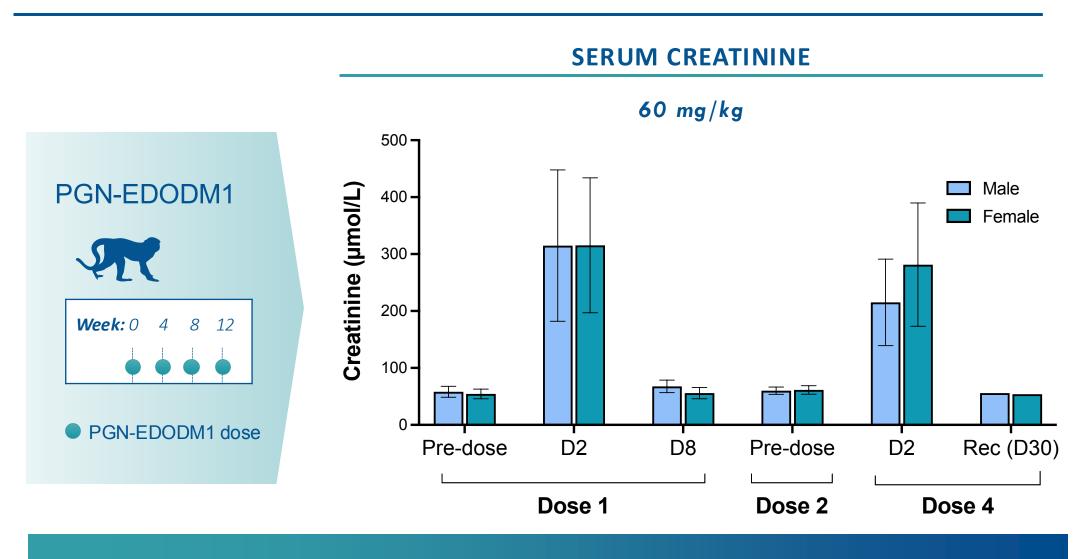


#### HSA<sup>LR</sup> MOUSE MODEL AND NON-HUMAN PRIMATE (NHP) DATA

REPEAT DOSING OF PGN-EDODM1 IN HSA<sup>LR</sup> MICE ENHANCED CORRECTION OF MIS-SPLICING, REVERSED MYOTONIA AND INCREASED MUSCLE DELIVERY



## FAVORABLE SAFETY PROFILE IN NHP SUPPORTED PROGRESSION TO CLINICAL STUDIES



- Non-adverse transient increases in serum creatinine were observed at 60 mg/kg and resolved within a week post dose and did not worsen with repeat dosing.
- No adverse findings in the kidney after 4x Q4W 60 mg/kg doses.
- No notable hematologic or hepatic effects, no cardiovascular effects.

#### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS OF PGN-EDODM1 NONCLINICAL DATA

- PGN-EDODM1 is not designed to degrade DMPK, the transcript where the pathogenic CUG expansion is located.
- PGN-EDODM1 resulted in nuclear delivery, reduction of toxic foci and liberation of MBNL1, and correction of mis-splicing in DM1 human muscle cells.
- In the HSA<sup>LR</sup> DM1 mouse model, robust mis-splicing correction and reversal of myotonia were observed with a single 30 mg/kg dose; durable mis-splicing corrections observed through 24 weeks.
- Increased levels of tissue delivery, enhanced mis-splicing correction and reversal of myotonia was observed with repeat dosing in HSA<sup>LR</sup> mice.
- Well-tolerated NHP GLP repeat-dose toxicity studies at 60 mg/kg; repeat dosing did not exacerbate increases in serum creatinine.
- FREEDOM-DM1 Phase 1 randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled Single Ascending Dose study in people with DM1 is enrolling in Canada, the UK and the US. FREEDOM2 Phase 2 randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled Multiple Ascending Dose study in people with DM1 is cleared in Canada and the UK.
- Nonclinical data in DM1 cells, HSA<sup>LR</sup> mice and NHP support the development of PGN-EDODM1 and the FREEDOM1-DM1 Phase 1 and FREEDOM2-DM1 Phase 2 clinical studies (see Poster 461P).