# Edasalonexent: An NF-kB Inhibitor in Phase 3 Development for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

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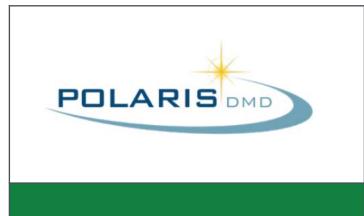
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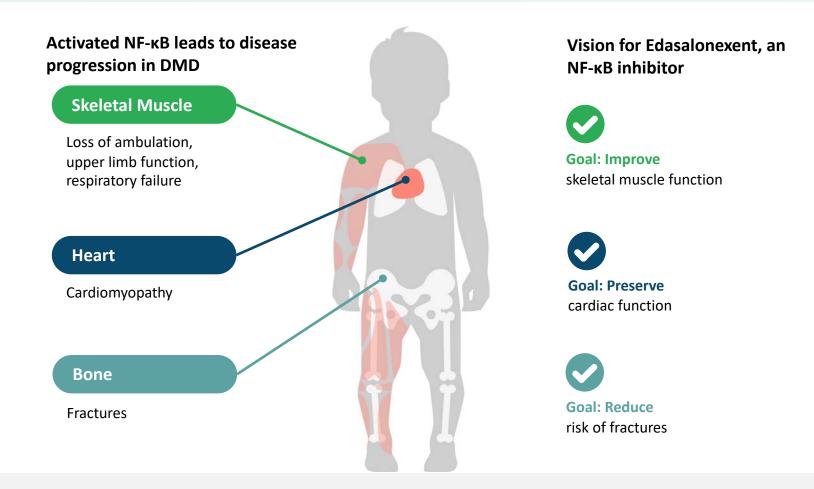
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# **Edasalonexent: Potential to Slow Disease Progression for All Those Affected by Duchenne**

- Being developed as a new oral foundational therapy for all affected by Duchenne, regardless of mutation type, from time of diagnosis throughout their lifetime
- Being developed for treatment alone and potential to be combined with dystrophin-targeted therapies
- In Phase 2 MoveDMD trial and open-label extension, edasalonexent substantially slowed disease progression compared to off-treatment control period
- Edasalonexent is an investigational agent not currently approved in any territory



# **Edasalonexent: Potential for Broad Therapeutic Benefit**



NF-κB is a key link between loss of dystrophin and disease pathology; it plays a fundamental role in the initiation and progression of skeletal muscle, respiratory and cardiac disease in DMD

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## Design of MoveDMD, a Phase 2 Trial with Open-Label Extension

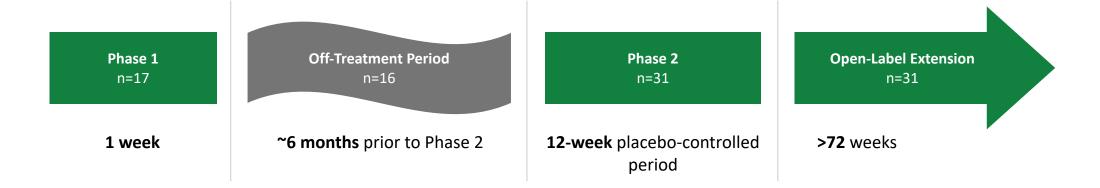


#### Study Objectives

- Proof of concept using MRI to assess changes in muscle health
- Long-term study to enable Phase 3

#### ▶ Key Inclusion / Exclusion criteria

- Age 4 to 7 (up to 8<sup>th</sup> birthday) not on corticosteroids for at least 24 weeks

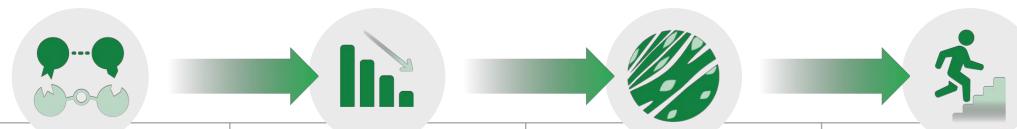


#### Analysis Plan

- 12-week placebo control period
- Compare changes during off-treatment control period with changes after initiation of edasalonexent

# Range of Endpoints to Demonstrate Proof of Concept and Support Design of Phase 3





NF-кВ Target Engagement	Biomarkers	Muscle MRI	Functional
<ul> <li>Inhibition of</li> <li>NF-κB targeted gene set</li> <li>in peripheral blood</li> </ul>	<ul><li>CRP, biomarker of inflammation</li><li>Muscle enzymes</li></ul>	<ul><li>MRI T2 of upper and lower leg</li><li>MRS muscle fat</li></ul>	<ul> <li>North Star Ambulatory         Assessment and Timed         Function Tests     </li> </ul>

# **Key Functional Assessments Performed During Clinic Visits**



#### **North Star Ambulatory Assessment**

#### Assessment measures from most to least difficult Hop right leg Climb box step right Hop left leg Climb box step left Stand on heels Stand on one leg right Rise from floor Stand on one leg left **Get to sitting** Run Rise from chair Jump Lift head Walk **Descend box step right** Stand **Descend box step left** How measures are scored: Can perform Unable to Can perform with difficulty perform

#### **Timed Function Tests**







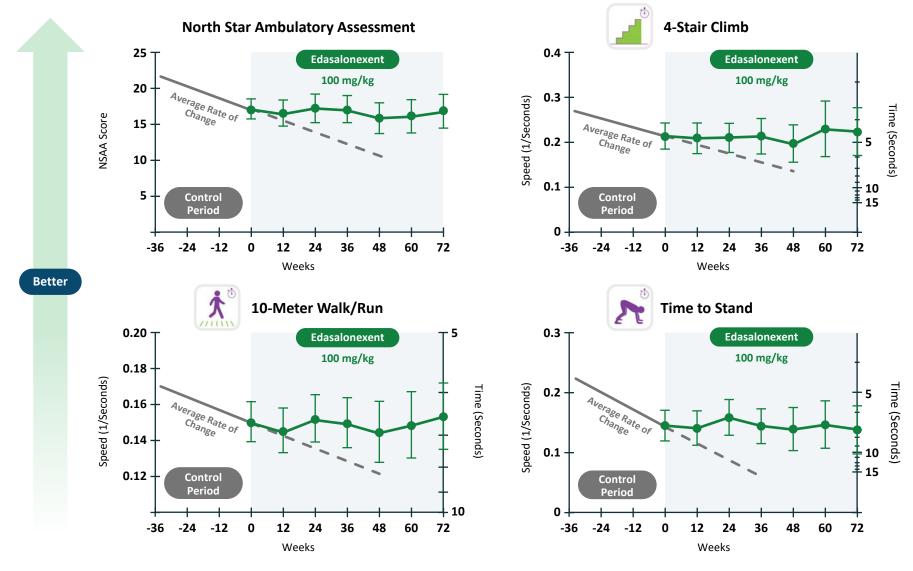
10-meter walk/run

4-stair climb

Time to rise from supine

# In Phase 2 MoveDMD Trial and Open-Label Extension: All Assessments of Function Stabilized on Edasalonexent Compared to Off-Treatment Control

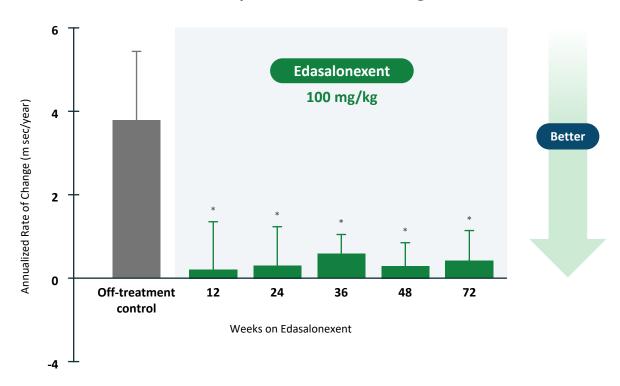




# In Phase 2 MoveDMD Trial and Open-Label Extension: Edasalonexent Improved Rate of Change of MRI T2 Compared to Off-Treatment Control Period



#### MRI T2: Composite of 5 Lower Leg Muscles



- Composite of 5 lower leg muscles MRI T2 used to encompass muscles at various stages of disease progression and minimize variability
- Following 72 weeks of edasalonexent, the rate of increase in the composite MRI T2 in the five lower leg muscles decreased as compared to the rate of increase during the off-treatment control period

## Safety: Edasalonexent Has Been Well Tolerated To Date



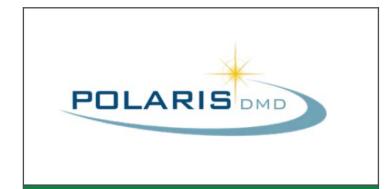
- ▶ 50+ years of patient exposure
  - Majority of adverse events observed were mild in nature
- Boys on edasalonexent in our Phase 2 clinical trial and open-label extension grew similarly to boys not affected by Duchenne
  - Height increased by an average of 2.1 inches/year
  - Weight increased by an average of 2.9 pounds/year
  - Both increases in line with typical height and weight increases of boys not affected by Duchenne

Boys are growing taller!
Boys grew over 2 inches
per year on average, which
is comparable to the growth
curves of boys not affected
by Duchenne.

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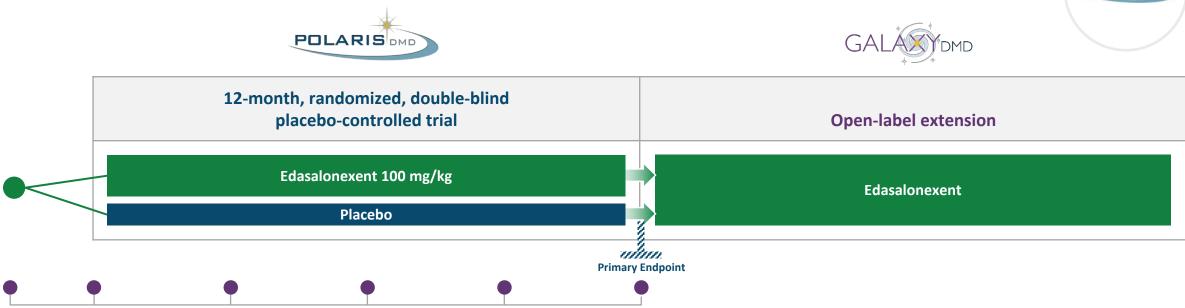
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# **Phase 3 PolarisDMD Trial Design and Schedule**





- Enrolling ~125 boys ages 4 to 7 (up to 8th birthday)
  - Not on corticosteroids for at least 6 months
- ▶ 2:1 randomization, 67% of boys receive drug initially, all boys may continue to receive drug after completing PolarisDMD through GalaxyDMD

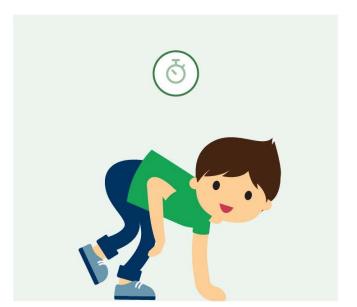
**Clinical Trial Site Visits** 

- Clinical trial site visits and key assessments every 3 months
- Safety measures including labs every 3 months
- Trial overseen by Data Safety Monitoring Board

# PolarisDMD Trial Designed with Input from the Duchenne Community



- **▶** Designed the trial with input from advocacy organizations, families, physicians
  - Understand the burden of clinical trial participation
- NSAA and additional endpoints are measures that reflect everyday life
  - Standing up from the ground, walking, climbing stairs







# We Plan to Investigate the Potential for Co-Administration of Edasalonexent with Dystrophin-Targeted Therapies



# Edasalonexent in combination with exon-skipping increased dystrophin expression in *mdx* mice

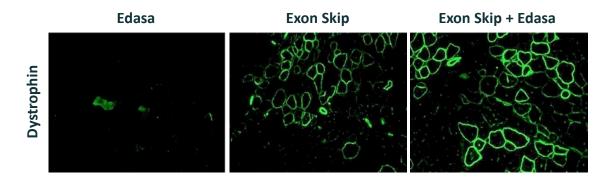
- Activated NF-κB increases the expression of several microRNAs that suppress dystrophin production
- Inhibiting NF-κB may enhance dystrophin expression in combination with dystrophin-targeted therapies in DMD

In eligible boys in the MoveDMD openlabel extension, treatment of edasalonexent with EXONDYS 51® (exon skipping) was well tolerated



Boys on EXONDYS 51 are eligible for Phase 3 PolarisDMD and GalaxyDMD trials





## **Edasalonexent Is Taken as a Gel Capsule**

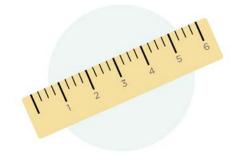


- Dose 100 mg/kg/day
- Taken 3 times per day with food
  - Mid-day dose can be at school or at home after school
- ▶ 2 different small capsule sizes
  - 100 mg capsules are similar to the size of a tic-tac
  - 250 mg capsules are similar to the size of a jelly bean
- Medi-straws provided to facilitate capsule swallowing



## Additional Assessments Include Growth, Cardiac and Bone Health Measures







#### **Growth**

 Monitoring height and weight to assess how boys are growing relative to their expected growth curves

#### Heart

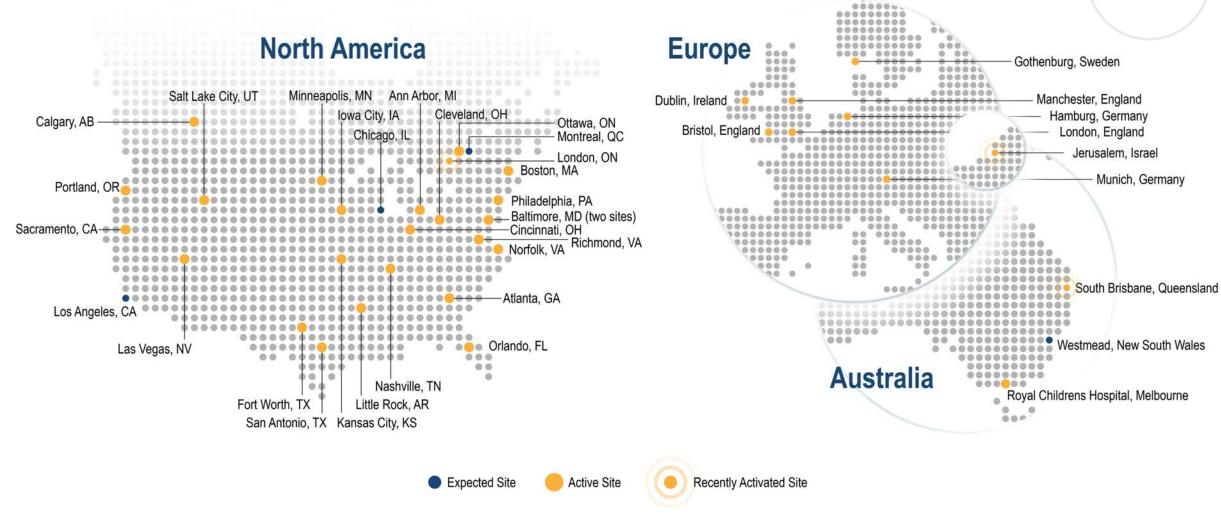
- Monitoring with an easy to wear at-home small adhesive device at baseline, 6 and 12 months
- Will be analyzed for changes in heart rate as well as heart rate variability

#### **Bone**

- X-rays of the spine at baseline and after one year of treatment
- Bone mineral density by DXA at baseline and after one year of treatment

## **Many Clinical Trial Sites to Improve Patient Access**





Sites active and enrolling patients globally

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# Launching New GalaxyDMD Trial for Boys Receiving Open-Label Edasalonexent





- ► GalaxyDMD is enrolling boys from MoveDMD open-label extension and provides an opportunity for open-label edasalonexent after completing 1-year PolarisDMD trial
- Ongoing monitoring with patient visits every 6 months
  - Assessments of muscle function:
    - North Star Ambulatory Assessment
    - Timed Function Tests
  - Long term safety including growth and bone health

## GalaxyDMD Focuses on Long-Term Safety and Allows Sibling Participation



- Primary focus is evaluation of edasalonexent long-term safety with site visits every 6 months
- Participants from MoveDMD trial transitioning to GalaxyDMD
  - Boys have received edasalonexent for 2+ years, average age ~9
- Once boys from MoveDMD and PolarisDMD enter GalaxyDMD, there will also be an opportunity for their eligible brothers to join
  - May be eligible if receiving approved exon-skipping therapies

#### **GalaxyDMD Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria**

- Inclusion: completion of the MoveDMD or PolarisDMD study
- For siblings of boys who completed MoveDMD or PolarisDMD study:
  - Inclusion: Genetic diagnosis of Duchenne, age 4-10 (up to 11<sup>th</sup> birthday)
  - Exclusion: Use of investigational drug or growth hormone, on corticosteroids during previous 24 weeks

#### **Catabasis' Focus on Edasalonexent for Duchenne**



Our goal is for edasalonexent to become a new oral foundational therapy to slow disease progression for all affected by Duchenne as a single agent and potential to be co-administered with other therapies

Catabasis is working to design future clinical trials to expand to other age groups, including those who are non-ambulatory, and Becker muscular dystrophy.

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