

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 14, 2022**

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**ELIEM THERAPEUTICS, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-40708**  
(Commission File Number)

**83-2273741**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**23515 NE Novelty Hill Road, Suite  
B221 #125  
Redmond, WA**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**98053**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (425) 276-2300**

**Not Applicable**  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
<b>Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share</b>	<b>ELYM</b>	<b>The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (The Nasdaq Global Market)</b>

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On November 14, 2022, Eliem Therapeutics, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2022. A copy of such press release is attached to this Current Report as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

A copy of a slide presentation that the Company will use at investor conferences and presentations is attached to this Current Report as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated herein solely for purposes of this Item 7.01 disclosure.

The information in Items 2.02 and 7.01 (including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2) are being furnished and shall not be deemed “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, whether filed before or after the date hereof and regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	<a href="#">Press release of Eliem Therapeutics, Inc., dated November 14, 2022</a>
99.2	<a href="#">Investor Presentation dated November 14, 2022</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**Eliem Therapeutics, Inc.**

Date: November 14, 2022

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
/s/ Robert Azelby  
**Robert Azelby**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer**



## Eliem Therapeutics Reports Third Quarter Financial and Business Highlights

*Positioned to initiate ETX-155 Phase 2a trial in major depressive disorder in the first quarter of 2023 with 60-milligram dose*

*Progressing IND-enabling studies for two Kv7 pre-candidates with safety studies planned in the first quarter of 2023*

*Cash runway expected to fund operations into 2025*

SEATTLE and CAMBRIDGE, UK, --(GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – November 14, 2022 – Eliem Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: ELYM), a clinical-stage biotechnology company focused on developing novel therapies for neuronal excitability disorders to address unmet needs in psychiatry, epilepsy, chronic pain, and other disorders of the peripheral and central nervous systems, today provided a business update and reported financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2022.

“I am proud of the rigorous analysis done by our team over the past six months, and we are now positioned to initiate our ETX-155 Phase 2a MDD trial in the first quarter of 2023 with the 60-milligram dose,” said Bob Azelby, chief executive officer of Eliem Therapeutics. “We believe ETX-155 has the potential to be a best-in-class molecule in a growing depression market in search of new medicines to tackle this crisis. In parallel, we have advanced two pre-candidates from our Kv7 program into IND-enabling studies, and we are very excited about our rapidly emerging preclinical data for this important program. We remain well financed with our cash runway expected to fund operations into 2025, funding key data catalysts on each program.”

### Program Updates and Anticipated Key Milestones

**ETX-155 in depression and epilepsy:** ETX-155 is a novel GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor positive allosteric modulator (GABA<sub>A</sub> PAM) that is being developed for the treatment of major depressive disorder (MDD) and epilepsy.

- The Company recently completed dosing in its Phase 1 pharmacokinetic trial. Given the encouraging overall clinical profile of the 60-milligram dose relative to the marginal additional exposure benefit of the 75-milligram dose observed in the trial, the Company has decided to use the 60-milligram dose in its planned Phase 2a MDD trial. The Company is positioned to initiate the Phase 2a MDD trial in the first quarter of 2023 and topline data would be expected in the second half of 2024.

**Kv7.2/3 channel opener program:** The Company’s preclinical program targets the Kv7.2/3 potassium channel (Kv7), a target that has clinical validation in pain and epilepsy.

- The Company has initiated the scaling up of two pre-candidates to enable the initiation of IND-enabling safety studies, expected in the first quarter of 2023, with Phase 1 studies planned to initiate in the first half of 2024.
  - The Company’s novel Kv7 compounds have demonstrated high potency and differentiated selectivity in electrophysiology assays, and in vivo anticonvulsant activity in the maximal electroshock seizure (MES) rat model.
  - The Company has filed foundational intellectual property claims on its novel Kv7 compounds.
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### Third Quarter 2022 Financial Results

- Cash Position: Cash, cash equivalents and short- and long-term marketable securities was \$129.6 million as of September 30, 2022, including receipt of \$6.2 million in tax reimbursements within the quarter, as compared to \$161.4 million as of December 31, 2021. The Company's current cash, cash equivalents and short- and long-term marketable securities are expected to fund operations into 2025.
- Research and Development (R&D) expenses: R&D expenses were \$4.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2022, compared to \$6.0 million for the same period in 2021. The three months ended September 30, 2022 included a reversal of \$1.5 million of clinical expenses due to actual results differing from prior quarter estimates.
- General and Administrative (G&A) expenses: G&A expenses were \$4.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2022, compared to \$3.4 million for the same period in 2021.
- Net loss: Net loss was \$9.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2022, compared to \$9.6 million for the same period in 2021. The three months ended September 30, 2022 includes an unrealized foreign currency loss of \$1.3 million primarily resulting from the effect of unfavorable exchange rates on the remeasurement of our British Pound denominated assets.

### About Eliem Therapeutics, Inc.

Eliem Therapeutics, Inc. is a clinical-stage biotechnology company focused on developing novel therapies for neuronal excitability disorders to address unmet needs in psychiatry, epilepsy, chronic pain, and other disorders of the peripheral and central nervous systems. These disorders often occur when neurons are overly excited or inhibited, leading to an imbalance, and our focus is on restoring homeostasis. We are developing a pipeline of clinically differentiated product candidates focused on validated mechanisms of action with broad therapeutic potential to deliver improved therapeutics for patients with these disorders. Eliem channels its experience, energy, and passion for improving patients' quality of life to fuel our efforts to develop life-changing novel therapies. At its core, the Eliem team is motivated by the promise of helping patients live happier, more fulfilling lives. <https://eliemtx.com/>

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## Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, statements relating to: the advancement of Eliem's pipeline; the continued development and clinical and therapeutic potential of ETX-155 and Eliem's Kv7 channel opener program; the commencement of the referenced Phase 2a trial of ETX-155 in MDD in the first quarter of 2023 and the availability of topline data for that trial; Eliem's plans to continue to pursue development of ETX-155 in focal onset seizures; Eliem's planned activities and expectations for the Kv7 channel opener program, including the initiation of IND-enabling safety studies and Phase 1 studies, and the timing thereof; Eliem's belief that it is well financed and that its current cash, cash equivalents and short- and long-term marketable securities will fund operations into 2025; and Eliem's commitment to developing therapies targeting neuronal excitability disorders. Words such as "advanced," "believe," "encouraging," "excited," "expected," "focus," "initiate," "planned," "positioned," "potential," "progressing," "remain," "reported," "would," or other similar expressions, identify forward-looking statements, but the absence of these words does not necessarily mean that a statement is not forward-looking. In addition, any statements that refer to expectations, projections or other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements in this press release are based upon Eliem's current plans, assumptions, beliefs, expectations, estimates and projections, and involve substantial risks and uncertainties. Actual results and the timing of events could differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements due to these risks and uncertainties as well as other factors, which include, without limitation: the clinical, therapeutic and commercial value of ETX-155 and the Kv7 program; risks related to the potential failure of ETX-155 or the Kv7 program to demonstrate safety and efficacy in clinical testing; Eliem's ability to initiate and conduct clinical trials and studies of ETX-155 or the Kv7 program sufficient to achieve a positive completion; the availability of data at the expected times; Eliem's ability to obtain and protect intellectual property rights, and operate without infringing on the intellectual property rights of others; the uncertain timing and level of expenses associated with Eliem's preclinical and clinical development activities; the sufficiency of Eliem's capital and other resources; risks and uncertainties related to regulatory application, review and approval processes and Eliem's compliance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements; market competition; changes in economic and business conditions; impacts on Eliem's business due to external events, including health pandemics or other contagious outbreaks, such as the current COVID-19 pandemic; and other factors discussed under the caption "Risk Factors" in Eliem's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2022. This filing, when available, is available on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Additional information will also be set forth in Eliem's other reports and filings it will make with the SEC from time to time. The forward-looking statements made in this press release speak only as of the date of this press release. Eliem expressly disclaims any duty, obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect any change in Eliem's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statements are based.

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**Eliem Therapeutics, Inc.**  
**Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(unaudited)

<b>Assets</b>	<b>September 30, 2022</b>		<b>December 31, 2021</b>	
<b>Current assets:</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	35,944	\$	46,922
Short-term marketable securities		86,675		89,558
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		10,552		11,772
Total current assets	\$	133,171	\$	148,252
Operating lease right-of-use assets		585		—
Long-term marketable securities		6,961		24,919
Other long-term assets		141		70
Total assets	\$	140,858	\$	173,241
<b>Liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>				
<b>Current liabilities:</b>				
Accounts payable		1,494		1,404
Accrued expenses		4,434		4,627
Operating lease liabilities		352		—
Total current liabilities	\$	6,280	\$	6,031
Other long-term liabilities		—		7
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion		219		—
Total liabilities	\$	6,499	\$	6,038
<b>Stockholders' equity</b>				
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share, 250,000,000 shares authorized; 26,567,681 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2022 and December 31, 2021, respectively		3		3
Additional paid-in capital		248,035		242,939
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(581)		(123)
Accumulated deficit		(113,098)		(75,616)
Total stockholders' equity	\$	134,359	\$	167,203
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	140,858	\$	173,241



**Eliem Therapeutics, Inc.**  
**Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations**  
*(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)*  
*(unaudited)*

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30,</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Operating expenses:</b>				
Research and development	\$ 4,258	\$ 5,989	\$ 21,287	\$ 16,443
General and administrative	4,490	3,394	14,294	8,526
Total operating expenses	8,748	9,383	35,581	24,969
Loss from operations	(8,748)	(9,383)	(35,581)	(24,969)
<b>Other income (expense):</b>				
Change in fair value of redeemable convertible preferred stock tranche liability	—	—	—	(11,718)
Foreign currency loss	(1,317)	(252)	(2,516)	(268)
Other income, net	383	20	615	20
Total other income (expense)	(934)	(232)	(1,901)	(11,966)
Net loss	\$ (9,682)	\$ (9,615)	\$ (37,482)	\$ (36,935)
Accretion of redeemable convertible preferred stock to redemption value and cumulative preferred stock dividends	—	(1,322)	—	(4,548)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$ (9,682)	\$ (10,937)	\$ (37,482)	\$ (41,483)
Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders, basic and diluted	\$ (0.37)	\$ (0.70)	\$ (1.43)	\$ (5.49)
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding used to compute net loss per share attributable to common stockholders, basic and diluted	26,336,029	15,585,611	26,290,868	7,554,300



# Clinical Stage Neurology Company Focused on Neuronal Excitability Disorders

Corporate Presentation | November 14, 2022



## Forward-Looking Statements

This presentation contains forward-looking statements that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this presentation, including statements regarding our future financial condition, results of operations, business strategy and plans, and objectives of management for future operations, as well as statements regarding industry trends, are forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “continue,” “could,” “estimate,” “expect,” “intend,” “may,” “plan,” “potentially,” “predict,” “should,” “will” or the negative of these terms or other similar expressions. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy and financial needs. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including, among other things, risks related to: the success, cost and timing of our product development activities and clinical trials; our expectations about the timing of achieving regulatory approval and the cost of our development programs; our ability to obtain funding for our operations, including funding necessary to complete further development and commercialization of our product candidates; the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our operations; the commercialization of our product candidates, if approved; our plans to research, develop and commercialize our product candidates; our plans to develop additional product candidates; our ability to obtain, maintain, expand, protect and enforce our intellectual property rights; our ability to operate our business without infringing, misappropriating or otherwise violating the intellectual property rights of third parties; our ability to attract collaborators with development, regulatory and commercialization expertise; future agreements with third parties in connection with the commercialization of our product candidates; the size and growth potential of the markets for our product candidates and our ability to serve those markets; the rate and degree of market acceptance of our product candidates; regulatory developments in the United States and foreign countries; regulatory application, review and approval processes and our compliance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements; our ability to contract with third-party suppliers and manufacturers and their ability to perform adequately; the success of competing products that are or may become available; and our ability to attract and retain key scientific or management personnel. These risks are not exhaustive. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for our management to predict all risk factors, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in, or implied by, any forward-looking statements. More information about the risks and uncertainties faced by Eliem is contained under the caption “Risk Factors” set forth in Eliem’s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2022, which is available on the SEC’s website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), and in other subsequent reports and filings Eliem will make with the SEC from time to time. You should not rely upon forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. Except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason after the date of this presentation.

Certain information contained in this presentation relates to, or is based on, studies, publications, surveys and other data obtained from third-party sources and the Company’s own internal estimates and research. While we believe these third-party sources to be reliable as of the date of this presentation, we have not independently verified, and make no representation as to the adequacy, fairness, accuracy or completeness of, any information obtained from third-party sources. In addition, all of the market data included in this presentation involves a number of assumptions and limitations, and there can be no guarantee as to the accuracy or reliability of such assumptions. In addition, projections, assumptions and estimates of our future performance and the future performance of the markets in which we operate are necessarily subject to a high degree of uncertainty and risk. These and other factors could cause results to differ materially from those expressed in the estimates made by the independent parties and by us. Finally, while we believe our own internal research is reliable, such research has not been verified by any independent source.

In addition, statements that “we believe” and similar statements reflect our beliefs and opinions on the relevant subject. These statements are based upon information available to us as of the date of this presentation, and while we believe such information forms a reasonable basis for such statements, such information may be limited or incomplete, and our statements should not be read to indicate that we have conducted an exhaustive inquiry into, or review of, all potentially available relevant information. These statements are inherently uncertain and investors are cautioned not to unduly rely upon these statements.



## Rethinking treatment for nervous system disorders

- ✓ **Highly experienced management team**
- ✓ **Clinical and preclinical pipeline** based on clinically validated mechanisms of action
- ✓ **Two differentiated programs** in depression and epilepsy with expansion opportunities in chronic pain
- ✓ **~\$130M\* cash runway into 2025** allows for topline clinical data readouts and advancement of preclinical asset into clinic

\*Cash, cash equivalents and short- and long-term marketable securities of \$129.4M as of September 30, 2022

## Powered by successful and talented executives from pioneering organizations

### General Management, Commercial & Corporate Development



**Robert Azelby, MBA**  
Chief Executive Officer



**Erin Lavelle**  
Chief Operating Officer &  
Chief Financial Officer



**James Bucher, J.D.**  
EVP and General Counsel

### Research & Development



**Valerie Morisset, Ph.D.**  
EVP R&D and Chief Scientific Officer



**Joanne Palmer, Ph.D.**  
Chief Development Officer



**Mark Versavel, M.D., Ph.D.**  
Interim Chief Medical Officer

✓ **Deep expertise in neuroscience research, clinical development and commercialization**

- Lyrica, Neurontin, Trobalt, Vyepti, Vixotrigine, Nimotop, Aptiom, Lunesta, Geodon

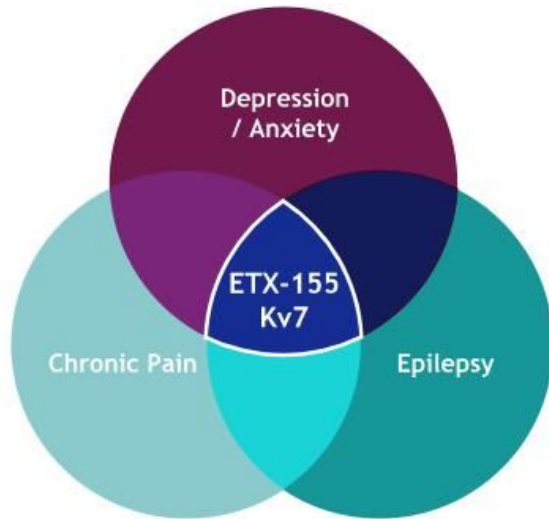
✓ **Leadership experience in both large pharma and small biotech**

- Large: Amgen, GSK, Novartis, Biogen, Bayer, Pfizer
- Small: Alder, Juno, Convergence, Cavion, Exelixis

✓ **Highly skilled in public/private capital raising and corporate development with successful exits**

- Exits: Alder, Convergence, Juno, Immunomedics, Cascadian, Cavion

## Addressing multiple interrelated diseases with two distinct, clinically validated mechanisms of action



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Approaching **interrelated disease states** with distinct MOAs (GABA<sub>A</sub> PAM and Kv7.2/3)

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Innovating within **clinically validated** mechanisms of action

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Multiple **"pipeline-in-a-product"** opportunities

## Eliem Pipeline: Two programs with clinically validated MOAs intended to address large markets

Product Candidate (Mechanism)	Lead indications	Preclinical	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
<b>ETX-155</b> (GABA <sub>A</sub> receptor PAM)	Major depressive disorder (MDD)	▶		Positioned for Phase 2a initiation in Q1 2023	
	Epilepsy	▶			
<b>Kv7 Program</b> (Kv7.2/3 channel opener)	Epilepsy Depression Pain	▶	IND-enabling safety studies planned in Q1 2023		

GABA<sub>A</sub> PAM: GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor positive allosteric modulator

# ETX-155

Proof of concept Phase 2a trial in Major  
Depressive Disorder (MDD)  
positioned for Q1 2023 initiation





# ETX-155: A differentiated neuroactive steroid GABA<sub>A</sub> positive allosteric modulator

Clinical validation for MOA (GABA<sub>A</sub> PAM)

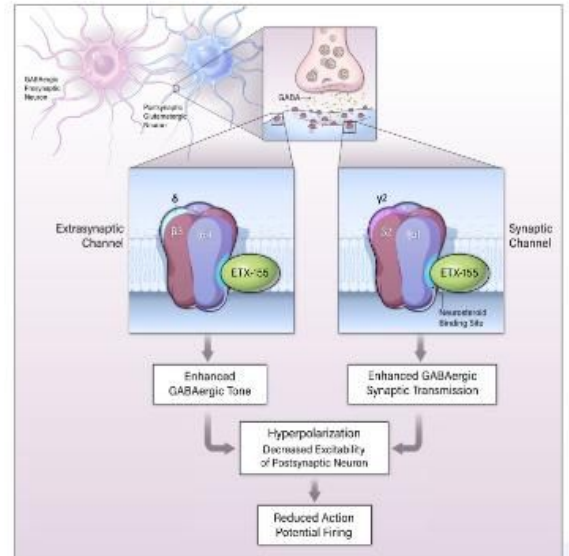
Dual potent activity at synaptic and extrasynaptic GABA<sub>A</sub> receptors, with high intrinsic efficacy

No clinically meaningful food effect




Convenient once-daily dosing with ~40-hr half-life

Well tolerated at exposure levels that have translated to clinical efficacy for other GABA<sub>A</sub> PAMs

Strong IP position with patent protection to 2039






## Clinical development focused on MDD with opportunity to expand into other large markets with considerable unmet need

	Proof of concept planned	Potential future indication opportunities	
	 <b>Major Depressive Disorder (MDD)</b>	 <b>Perimenopausal Depression (PMD)</b>	 <b>Epilepsy / Focal Onset Seizure (FOS)</b>
<b>MoA Rationale</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduced GABA levels → increased MDD severity<sup>1</sup></li> <li>Clinically validated (zuranolone)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduced neurosteroid levels → PMD symptoms</li> <li>Clinically validated in neurosteroid-driven PPD (zuranolone)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GABAergic deficits → epileptic state</li> <li>Clinically validated in orphan epilepsies (ganaxolone)</li> </ul>
<b>Unmet Needs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Faster onset of action</li> <li>Improved tolerability/efficacy</li> <li>Novel MoAs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Same as MDD</li> <li>Novel MoAs directly addressing reduced neurosteroid levels</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Novel MoAs → better seizure control</li> <li>Positive impact on mood, as #1 comorbidity is depression<sup>4</sup></li> </ul>
<b>Estimated annual prevalence (US+EU)</b>	<p align="center"><b>~32m</b> (~9m failed ≥1 prior therapy)<sup>2</sup></p>	<p align="center"><b>~8m</b> (~2m with no history of MDD)<sup>3</sup></p>	<p align="center"><b>~2m</b> (~0.8m with uncontrolled seizures)<sup>5</sup></p>

1. Lüscher et al., *Mol Psychiatry*, 2011;16(4):383-406  
 2. Decision Resources Group (DRG) - *Unipolar Depression Disease Landscape and Forecast*  
 3. Freeman et al., *JAMA Psychiatry*, 2014;72(1):36-43  
 4. Kanner AM, *Biol Psychiatry*, 2003;54(3):388-98  
 5. DRG - *Epilepsy Disease Landscape and Forecast*, May 2021

## ETX-155 Differentiation: Similar dual GABA<sub>A</sub>R potency to clinically validated GABA<sub>A</sub> PAMs, with differentiated pharmacokinetics

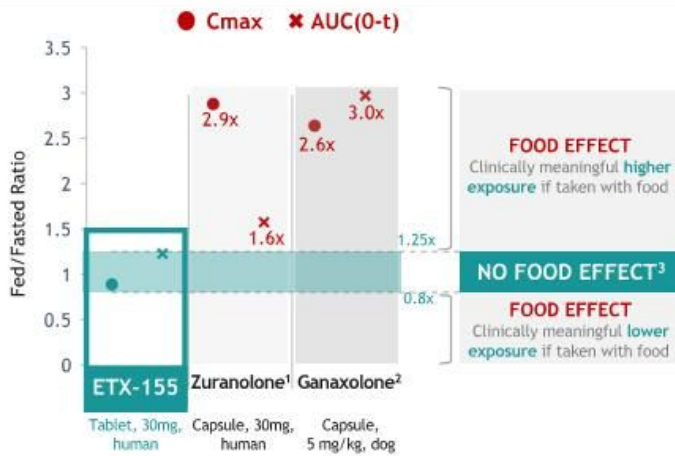
Company	Molecule	GABA <sub>A</sub> R Potency		Pharmacokinetics		Clinical Validation (positive RCT)		
		Synaptic	Extra-synaptic	Food effect	Half-life	MDD	PPD	Epilepsy
 eliem Therapeutics	ETX-155	✓	✓	No	~40 hrs	-	-	-
 Sage Therapeutics™	zuranolone (SAGE-217)	✓	✓	Yes	14-18 hrs	✓	✓	-
 MARINUS PHARMACEUTICALS	ZTALMY® (ganaxolone)	✓	✓	Yes	2-3 hrs	-	-	✓

Sources:  
 Zuranolone: Hoffmann et al., *Clin Pharmacokinet*; 2020;59(1):111-120; Hoffmann et al., ASCP 2019, poster #782; Buxella et al., *J Med Chem*, 2017;60(18):7810-7819; Phase 3 WATERFALL, explore data press release  
 Ganaxolone: ZTALMY Prescribing Information; Hultman et al., American Epilepsy Society Annual Meeting 2020, poster

\* Evening QD dosing for ETX-155, zuranolone;  
 TID dosing for ganaxolone

# ETX-155 does not have a clinically meaningful food effect: potential to positively impact efficacy, safety, and compliance

## Reported Fed/Fasted Ratios for GABA<sub>A</sub> PAM class



Presence of a food effect may negatively impact:

### Efficacy ⊕

Exposure reduced or increased if medication not taken with food

### Safety and Tolerability ⊕

Timing/severity of AEs associated with Cmax

### Compliance ⊕

More strict daily routine required to maintain drug levels within the required range for efficacy and safety

- Hoffmann et al, Clin Pharmacokinet, 2020;59(1):111-120; Hoffmann et al, ASCP 2018, poster #782
- U.S. Patent No. 9,029,355
- Range of fed/fasted ratios for AUC and Cmax required to claim absence of food effect on bioavailability, per FDA Guidance For Industry, Food-Effect Bioavailability and Fed Bioequivalence Studies, December 2002

ETX-155 has not been assessed in a head-to-head study against zuranolone or ganaxolone, and the study designs and analytical methods for all product candidates may be different. As a result, such data may not be directly comparable.

## Phase 1 Study in Healthy Subjects: Encouraging safety & tolerability profile observed with no severe or serious adverse events

### Most common treatment-emergent AEs

(In  $\geq 10\%$  of ETX-155 treated subjects across repeat dose studies)

	7-day Repeat Dose		14-day Repeat Dose		Combined	
	ETX-155 60 mg (n=9)	Placebo (n=6)	ETX-155 60 mg (n=15)	Placebo (n=5)	ETX-155 60 mg (n=24)	Placebo (n=11)
	n (%)	n (%)	n (%)	n (%)	n (%)	n (%)
$\geq 1$ TEAE	5 (56)	3 (50)	9 (60)	4 (80)	14 (58)	7 (64)
Somnolence	1 (11)	2 (33)	6 (40)	2 (40)	7 (29)	4 (36)
Fatigue	0	0	4 (27)	1 (20)	4 (17)	1 (9)
Headache	2 (22)	2 (33)	1 (7)	0	3 (13)	2 (18)
Dizziness	1 (11)	0	2 (13)	0	3 (13)	0

### ETX-155 Phase 1 Repeat-Dose Results

- ✓ Favorable pharmacokinetics (PK)
  - Steady state reached at day 8
  - -40-hour half-life at steady state
- ✓ 60 mg evening dosing was well tolerated
  - No SAEs or discontinuations
  - All AEs were mild/moderate and transient
- ✓ CNS AE details
  - The rate of CNS AEs were comparable in ETX-155 and placebo groups
  - Most CNS AEs occurred at Tmax (3-4 hrs post-dose)
  - 7 reports of somnolence out of 24 ETX-155-treated patients (no subject reported somnolence more than once during dosing period)
  - Leeds Sleep Evaluation Questionnaire indicates no difference in next-morning alertness or disruption in sleep quality compared to placebo

# Analysis of ETX-155 pharmacokinetic profile confirmed comparable 60 mg exposures obtained with different batches, enabling path forward in Phase 2a MDD trial

## Original Phase 1 studies

- SAD (5-200mg, n=6 active/cohort)
- MAD 7-day (60mg AM and PM, n=9 active/cohort)
- MAD 14-day (60mg PM, n=15 active/cohort)
- Well tolerated, especially with PM dosing
- Encouraging PK profile
  - Moderate CV% of ~30%
  - Half-life of ~40 hrs
  - Steady state at day 8
  - Moderate acc. ratio of ~2
  - No food effect
  - Exposures within preclinical efficacy range
- Enabled selection of a Phase 2 clinical dose of 60mg

## PSE study findings (April '22)

- Single-dose of 135 mg
- N=3 patients with photosensitive epilepsy (PSE)
- Evaluation of activity in this model inconclusive due to ~50% lower-than-expected exposures
- Achievement of predicted therapeutic exposure levels is critical for success of planned Phase 2a MDD trial
- Prompted investigation to understand potential root causes prior to progressing to MDD trial

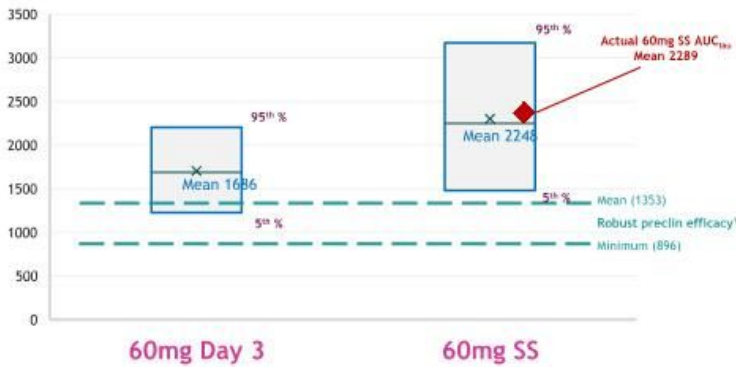
## Extensive Investigation

- 1) CMC investigations on all batches of API and DP
  - No findings
- 2) Dog PK to compare preclinical exposure across all batches
  - Comparable across batches
- 3) 5 single dose cohorts of healthy subjects to confirm PK profile
  - Comparable exposure across batches with variability remaining moderate
- 4) Comparison of exposures from all batches with population PK model based on original Phase 1 data
  - Exposures at 60mg fit the model
- 5) Evaluated 75 mg in repeat-dose cohort to determine any advantage over 60 mg

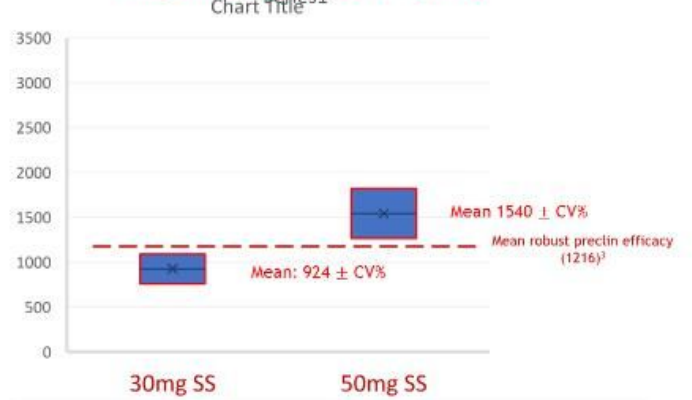
60 mg dose selected for Phase 2a based on favorable exposure and AE profile relative to 75 mg dose

At Day 3 and at steady-state, modeled exposure of 60 mg ETX-155 is within the therapeutic range, and at steady-state is ~1.5-fold higher than zuranolone benchmark

Population PK model of 60mg at Day 3 and at Day 14



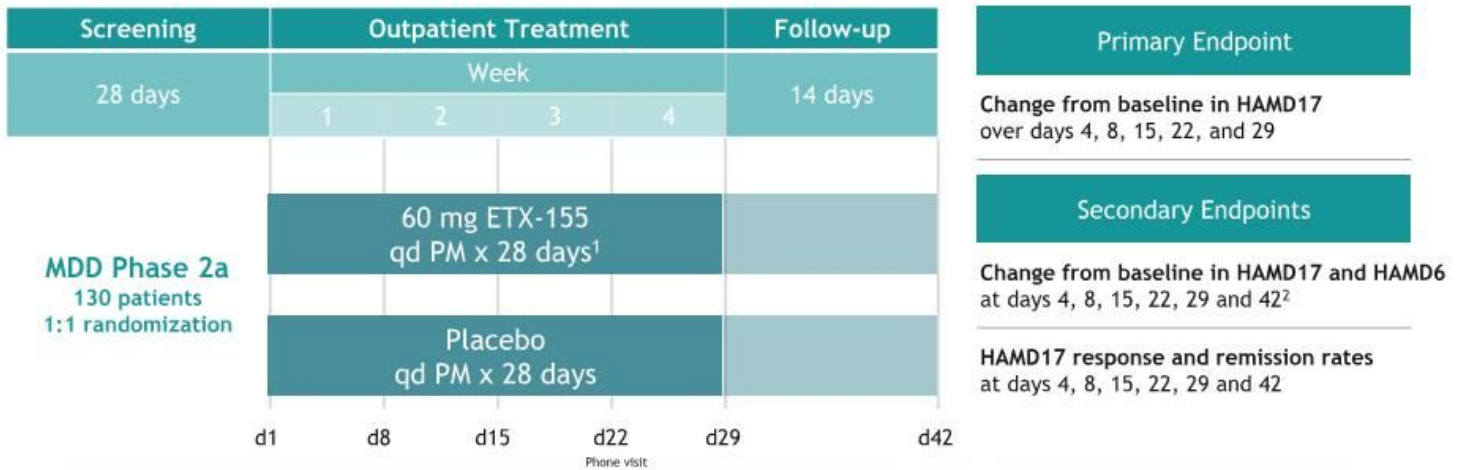
Benchmark zuranolone modeled AUC<sub>0-24</sub> for 30mg and 50mg capsules at steady-state<sup>2</sup>



Zuranolone has demonstrated a dose response with improved efficacy when moving from 20 mg to 30 mg (Mountain) and from 30 mg to 50 mg (Waterfall, Shoreline) in Phase 3 MDD trials

1. Mean AUC derived from male rats with 3 mg/kg PO dose of ETX-155; 3 mg/kg dose of ETX-155 was an efficacious across multiple preclinical depression, anxiety, and seizure models in mice and rats  
 2. Derived from 9-day repeat dose, 30mg pharmacokinetic data in Bullock et al., Marce of North America Congress, Oct 21-24, 2021, and Hoffmann et al., 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Society for Clin Pharm and Ther., March 2018 extrapolated to 50 mg based on dose linearity; Day 3 zuranolone exposures have not been disclosed  
 3. Estimated preclinical AUC for robust efficacy for zuranolone derived from Althaus et al., Neuropharmacology, 2020;181:108333; extrapolated from reported 10 mg/kg PO AUC in male mice, assuming dose linearity  
 The two graphs are not generated from head-to-head trials and therefore are not direct comparisons. ETX-155 preclinical AUC ranges are derived from rat PK study for 1 mg/kg and 3 mg/kg groups, which were efficacious dose levels in depression, anxiety, seizure, and EEG preclinical models; SS: Steady State

Positioned to progress ETX-155 into Phase 2a RCT in MDD in Q1 2023 and topline data would be expected in the second half of 2024



Study is 90% powered to detect a placebo-adjusted reduction of 4 points from baseline

1. Day 1 dose will be split and given bid, in AM and PM.  
 2. Day 42 assessments are exploratory  
 HAMD17: Hamilton Depression Rating Scale



## ETX-155 strategies to reduce variability and placebo response in Phase 2a

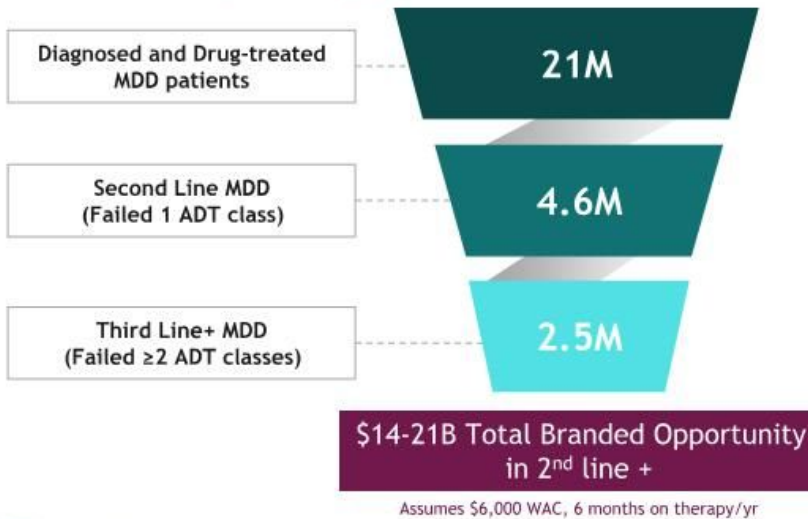
- ✓ Large, well powered study
- ✓ Select experienced sites in one geography (USA)
- ✓ Placebo: ETX-155 ratio 1:1 (50% get placebo)
- ✓ Independent SAFER process: MGH clinician interview to confirm HAMD-17 clinical assessments and trial eligibility
- ✓ Exclude patients who experience a substantial change (increase/decrease) in HAMD-17 score between screening and baseline assessments
- ✓ If currently taking an antidepressant drug, subjects must be on a stable dose for at least 4 weeks before baseline assessment
- ✓ Minimize number of assessments and visits
- ✓ Video education of investigators, research staff, and subjects on differences between clinical research and care provided by an HCP, and inclusion/exclusion criteria
- ✓ Implementation of a placebo control reminder script for use at every visit
- ✓ Closely monitor study drug compliance (AiCure app) and eDiary

# ETX-155 Market Opportunity



# One-third (7M) of the US MDD treated patient opportunity is in 2<sup>nd</sup> line and beyond

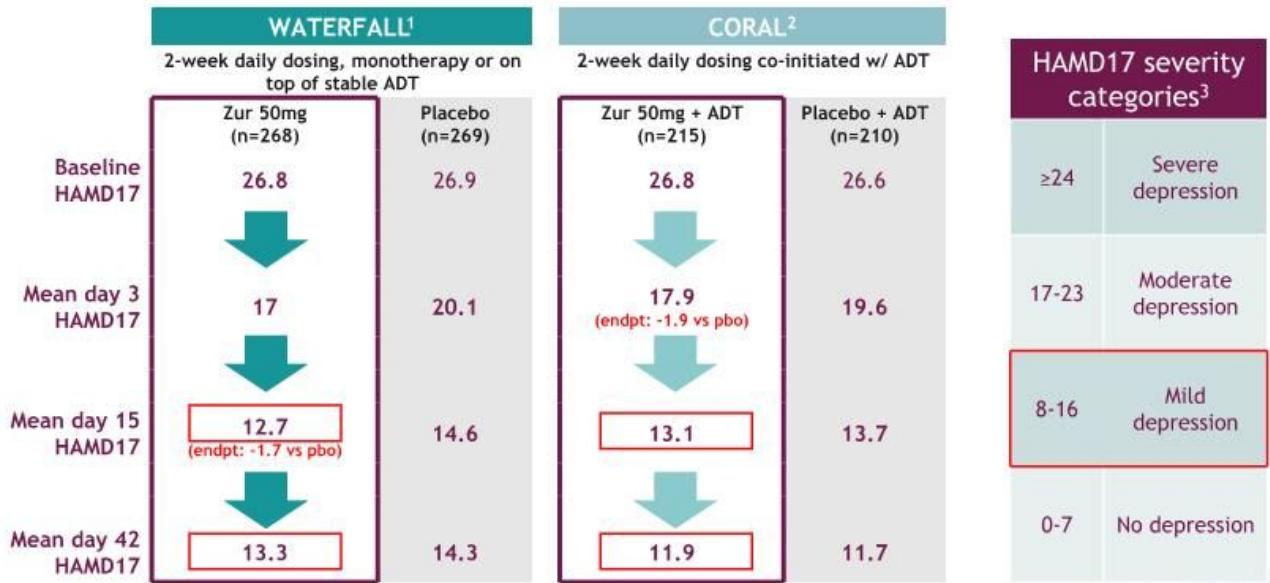
## US Epidemiology, 2030 estimates



## Reference branded MDD drug peak sales

Drug	Class	Peak Sales	Peak Year
Lexapro	SSRI	\$3.0B	2011
Effexor	SNRI	\$2.7B	2008
Zoloft	SSRI	\$2.6B	2005
Cymbalta	SNRI	\$2.6B	2013
Prozac	SSRI	\$2.4B	2001

Zuranolone precedent GABA<sub>A</sub> PAM showed statistical significance by day 3, mild depression levels by day 15, with symptom reduction maintained out to day 42



1. Sage Therapeutics / Biogen - WATERFALL topline data presentation, June 15, 2021  
 2. Sage Therapeutics / Biogen - CORAL topline data presentation, Feb 16, 2022  
 3. Zimmerman et al, *J Affect Disord*, 2013;150(2):384-8

## Zuranolone precedent suggests potential GABA<sub>A</sub> PAM advantages relative to existing ADTs would be attractive in a “direct to patient” commercial marketplace

### Background

- SSRI's treatment duration undefined - many patients on SSRIs for multiple years/life
- SSRI's can take 6 to 8 weeks to work, if they work; not accounting for titration period
- Side effects including weight gain, sexual dysfunction, withdrawal symptoms
- Unsatisfied market with new MDD patient on therapy for ~ 5.5 months, adherence rates of 51% at week 16, 21% at week 33<sup>1</sup>

### Potential Differentiation Points

- **“Treat depressive episode”:** zuranolone uses a two-week regimen, 80% of patients needed only 4 weeks of therapy in a year
- **Rapid onset:** zuranolone achieved activity by day 3, with no titration, which should enable patient to know within two weeks if product is working
- **Transient side effects:** somnolence/fatigue but no weight gain, sexual dysfunction, or withdrawal observed in zuranolone trials
- **Enhanced adherence:** two-week course of therapy should dramatically improve adherence

*Short treatment duration combined with rapid effect enables dosing aligned with the depressive episode*

1. Sawada et al. BMC Psychiatry, 2009;9(28).

# ETX-155: Being Developed as a Potentially Clinically Differentiated Oral Neuroactive Steroid

## ETX-155 Opportunities



### Improve Efficacy

- Increased AUC observed at well-tolerated doses
- Absence of clinically meaningful food effect
- Significantly longer half-life



### Improve Tolerability

- CNS AE rates similar to placebo in healthy subjects
- No difference from placebo in sleep quality and next day alertness
- No reports of somnolence on more than one day in repeat dosing studies



### Improve Durability

- Evaluate longer dosing regimens (i.e., 28 days)

Statements are not based on data resulting from head-to-head trials and are not direct comparisons of safety or efficacy

# Kv7 Opener

Pre-candidates identified  
IND-enabling safety studies planned for  
Q1 2023



## Kv7.2/3 Program: Developing a differentiated Kv7.2/3 opener for multiple neuronal excitability indications

### Kv7 Opportunity

Human genetic validation

Strong clinical validation in pain and epilepsy  
(retigabine, flupirtine, XEN1101)

Metabolic/safety liabilities with existing molecules

Clear translational path to clinical efficacy

### Eliem Kv7 Program Goal

Maintain efficacy with improved tolerability and safety

### Program Status

- ✓ Foundational IP filed
- ✓ Multiple lead and backup candidates in novel chemical space
- ✓ Improved metabolic stability
- ✓ Potent at Kv7.2/3, selective vs Kv7.1/4, and active in MES rat model\*

Initiated IND-enabling studies for two pre-candidates; IND-enabling safety studies to begin in Q1 2023

\*MES: maximal electroshock seizure, a preclinical model where efficacy has been historically shown to be highly translatable to humans with recurrent seizures



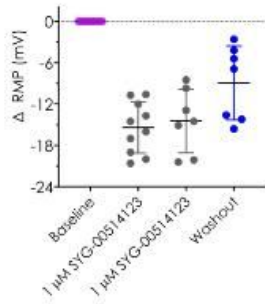
Eliem's K<sub>v</sub>7 candidates incorporate novel chemistry and have exhibited an attractive potency, selectivity, and in vivo activity profile to date

	ETX-123 (BEFORE FORMULATION)	ETX-963 (BEFORE FORMULATION)	XEN1101 (putative)* (AFTER FORMULATION)	Retigabine
<b>In vitro profile</b>				
Potency at Kv7.2/3	+++ (7 nM)	++ (70 nM)	++ (20 nM)	+ (2 uM)
Selectivity over Kv7.4	++++ (14,000-fold)	++ (45-fold)	+ (10-fold)	+ (7.8-fold)
Selectivity over Kv7.1	+++	+++	+++	+++
<b>In vivo profile</b>				
Rat MES / rotarod	++++ (2 mg/kg oral MES efficacy / 14 mg/kg rotarod side effects)	+++ (sc dosing)	+++	+++
Oral bioavailability (rat)	+	+	+++	+++
<b>Chemistry</b>				
Structural features	Novel scaffold, not disclosed		analogue of retigabine	Substituted aniline
IP	COM IP Filed August 2022		2028 expiry (initial issued patents)	n/a (off-market)

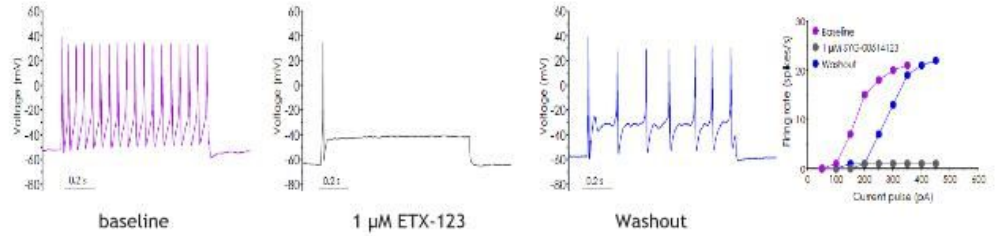
\* Putative XEN1101 molecule synthesized and tested by Eliem

# ETX-123 demonstrated modulation of neuronal excitability through hyperpolarization and inhibition of repeat firing in rat dorsal root ganglion (DRG) neurons

## Hyperpolarization of resting membrane potential (RMP)

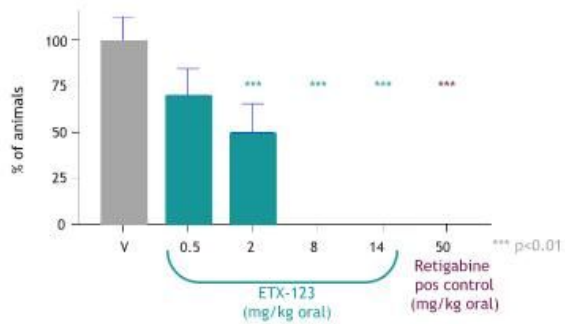


## Inhibition of repeat action potential firing

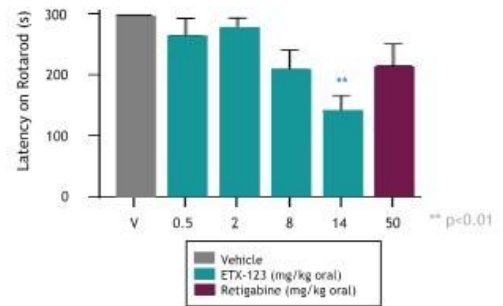


ETX-123 demonstrated 7-fold separation between the dose that inhibits tonic convulsions in the rat MES model and the dose that induces side effects in the rotarod model

Efficacious in rat maximal electroshock seizure (MES) model



Well tolerated in rat rotarod model



ETX-123 has demonstrated a favorable in vivo efficacy/tolerability profile to date; additional oral formulation optimization and IND-enabling studies ongoing



## Rethinking treatment for nervous system disorders

- ✓ **Highly experienced management team**
- ✓ **Clinical and preclinical pipeline** based on clinically validated mechanisms of action
- ✓ **Two differentiated programs** in depression and epilepsy with expansion opportunities in chronic pain
- ✓ **~\$130M\* cash runway into 2025** allows for topline clinical data readouts and advancement of preclinical asset into clinic

\*Cash, cash equivalents and short- and long-term marketable securities of \$129.4M as of September 30, 2022



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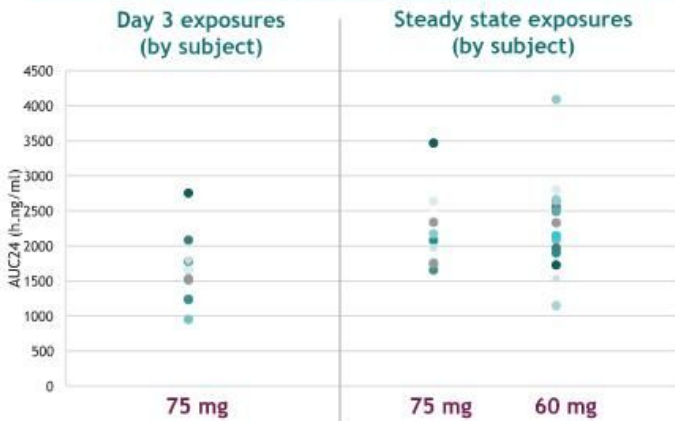


## Comprehensive root cause investigation did not reveal any CMC differences or issues with exposures from any batch or tablet size

	Activities Conducted	Outcome
1) CMC investigations for API and DP batches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particle size distribution, Scanning Electron Microscopy, Modulated Differential Scanning Calorimetry, Powder X-Ray Diffraction, Zeta Potential, dissolution profile, presence of crystalline material, roller compaction, compression</li> <li>Documentation review</li> </ul>	<p>No differences were found between the 3 different batches of drug substance, and drug product</p> <p>No deviations recorded in executed batch records or clinical trial documentation</p> <p>No evidence of a quality event or manufacturing or dosing errors</p>
2) Preclinical exposure comparison (Dog PK)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 cohorts of n=6 dogs, to compare exposure between all drug product batches (2020, 2021 and 2022) and tablet sizes</li> </ul>	<p>No differences in exposure between any batches and tablets size tested</p>
3) Clinical exposure comparison (HV PK)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed 5 single dose cohorts (n=19-24 each, 42 total w/ some subjects participating in several cohorts)</li> <li>60mg (4 cohorts) and 75mg (one cohort)</li> <li>Planned repeat dose cohort with 75mg, data in November (n≤18)</li> </ul>	<p>No differences in exposure between all batches and tablet sizes at 60mg single dose - Variability remains moderate</p>
4) Population PK model comparison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mathematical analysis of exposures from all batches and tablet sizes with PopPK model established with original Phase 1 data</li> </ul>	<p>No difference in mathematical analysis of the 60mg exposure data from ongoing HV study compared to the pop PK model</p>

# ETX-155 75 mg does not provide clear advantages over 60 mg on either exposure or tolerability

## Repeat dose exposures for 60 mg and 75 mg ETX-155 (PM dosing)



## Most common TEAEs for 60 mg and 75 mg ETX-155 (PM dosing)\*

	60 mg pooled 7-day and 14-day studies		75 mg 10-day study	
	ETX-155 N=24 n (%)	Placebo N=11 n (%)	ETX-155 N=12 n (%)	Placebo (n=6) n (%)
≥1 TEAE	14 (58.3)	7 (63.6)	11 (91.7)	2 (33.3)
Somnolence	7 (29.2)	4 (36.4)	8 (66.7) (1 moderate)	2 (33.3)
Fatigue	4 (16.7)	1 (9.1)	0	0
Headache	3 (12.5)	2 (18.2)	0	0
Dizziness	3 (12.5)	0	2 (16.7)	0
Drowsiness	0	0	2 (16.7)	1 (16.7)
Euphoric mood	2 (8.3)	0	2 (16.7)	0

60 mg dose yields exposures within the robust therapeutic range by day 3, with a more favorable tolerability profile than 75 mg

\* Treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) in ≥10% of subjects in any arm; drowsiness TEAE includes reports coded as "feeling tired" or "drowsiness". Euphoric mood TEAE includes reports coded as "feeling high" or "euphoric mood".



# Zuranolone precedent GABA<sub>A</sub> PAM efficacy in line with approved MDD drugs, achieving statistical significance and ~50% reduction in HAMD17 despite smaller delta to placebo

Drug: Study*	Reference	Year of Study	Baseline HAMD17	Duration of Treatment	Mean HAMD17 change from Baseline			Estimated Mean HAMD17 at end of treatment	
					Active (top dose, if >1 arm)	Placebo	Delta to placebo	Active	Placebo
38 studies of SSRIs/SNRIs	<a href="#">Kirsch 2002</a>	1980s-1990s	21.0 - 29.7	4-8 weeks	-10.4 (range: -5.9 to -14.2)	-7.6 (range: -3.0 to -10.5)	-2.8	~14	~17
Cymbalta: Study 1	<a href="#">Cymbalta label</a>	2001	21	9 weeks	-10.9	-6.1	-4.9	10.1	14.9
Cymbalta: Study 2	<a href="#">Cymbalta label</a>	2001	20	9 weeks	-10.5	-8.3	-2.2	9.5	11.7
Cymbalta: Study 3	<a href="#">Cymbalta label</a>	2001	18	8 weeks	-8.6	-5.0	-3.6	9.4	13
Cymbalta: Study 4	<a href="#">Cymbalta label</a>	2001	20	8 weeks	-12.1	-8.8	-3.3	7.9	11.2
Pristiq: Study 332	<a href="#">Liebowitz et al</a>	2008	23	8 weeks	-11.5	-9.5	-2.0	11.5	13.5
Pristiq: Study 333	<a href="#">Boyer et al</a>	2008	24	8 weeks	-13.7	-10.7	-3.0	10.3	13.3
Rexulti: Pyxis Study	<a href="#">Thase et al (a)</a>	2013	21	6 weeks	-5.89	-3.59	-2.29	15.1	17.4
Rexulti: Polaris Study	<a href="#">Thase et al (b)</a>	2013	21	6 weeks	-6.26	-4.57	-1.69	14.7	16.4
Rexulti: Sirius Study	<a href="#">Hobart et al</a>	2016	21	6 weeks	-7.1	-5.9	-1.16	13.9	15.1
		Average of all drugs (range)		6-8 wks	-9.7 (-5.9 to -13.7)	-7.0 (-3.6 to -10.7)	-2.7 (-1.16 to -4.9)	11.6 (7.9 to 15.1)	14.4 (11.7 to 17.4)
Sage zuranolone data	Waterfall	2020-21	26.8	2 weeks	-14.1	-12.3	-1.7	12.7	14.6
	Coral	2021	26.8	2 weeks	-13.7	-12.9	-0.8	13.1	13.7

-50% reduction in mean HAMD17 from severe depression (>24) to mild depression (8-16)

\* Studies reporting HAM-D as primary endpoint shown here; recent MDD registrational trials for Trintellix, Spravato, and Axsome used MADRS as endpoint, rather than HAM-D17, so are not included

**Zuranolone's Shoreline study:** demonstrated durable effects with the average patient only needing ~2 courses (~4 weeks) in a year

**~80% of 50 mg responders\* needed only 1 or 2 treatment courses over 1 year**

*Median time to first retreatment: 249 days*



3 Treatment Courses	4 Treatment Courses	5 Treatment Courses
10.3% (n = 15)	6.8% (n = 10)	3.4% (n = 5)

**~70% of 30 mg responders\* Needed only 1 or 2 treatment courses over 1 year**

*Median time to first retreatment: 135 days*



3 Treatment Courses	4 Treatment Courses	5 Treatment Courses
11.9% (n = 58)	10.8% (n = 53)	8.8% (n = 43)

Source: Sage Therapeutics

\*Only responders at Day 15 of the initial treatment period ( $\geq 50\%$  reduction in HAM-D17 total score from baseline) could continue to get retreatment in the SHORELINE study