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CMT Overview and ACE-083 Phase II Trial Webinar

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Agenda



Introduction

- Habib Dable
Chief Executive Officer

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- David Walk, M.D.
Associate Professor of Neurology
Director, ALS and CMT Centers of Excellence, University of Minnesota Medical Center

ACE-083 Overview

- Matthew Sherman, M.D.
Chief Medical Officer

CMT Phase 2 Trial Design

- Kenneth Attie, M.D.
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Question & Answer Session

Neuromuscular Disease
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Topics Covered

- Biography – Areas of Research, Practice Overview
- Spectrum of Neuromuscular Disorders
- Patient Population
- Genetics
- Clinical Presentation
- Current Standard of Care
- Outcome Measures
- Drug Development Landscape – Past/Present
- Summary

Biography

- **Training**

- Medical school: Brown University
- Neurology training: University of Chicago

- **Practice**

- University of Illinois at Chicago 1990-1999
- University of Minnesota 1999-present
 - Division Director, Neuromuscular Medicine, Department of Neurology

- **Areas of interest**

- Small fiber neuropathy
- Neuropathic pain
- ALS
- CMT

Spectrum of Neuromuscular Disorders

Hereditary

Non-hereditary (“acquired”)

- **Motor neuron disease**

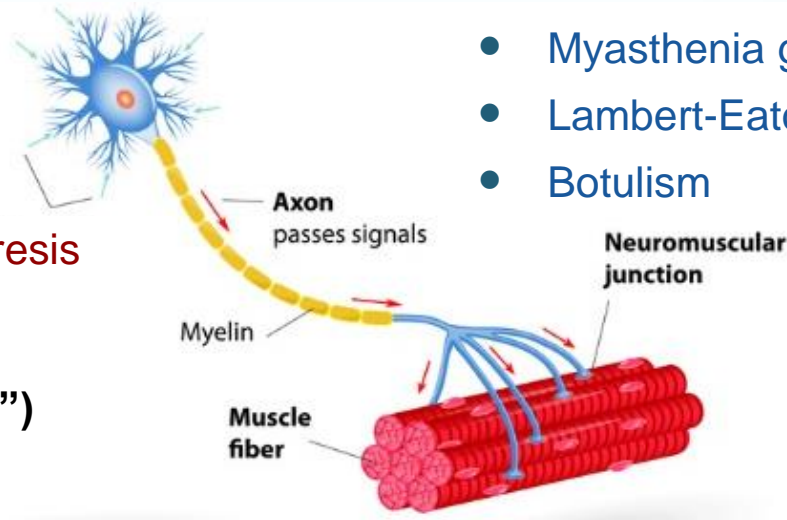
- Sporadic ALS
- **Familial ALS**
- Polio
- **Hereditary spastic paraparesis**

- **Nerve disease (“neuropathy”)**

- **CMT (axon or myelin)**
- CIDP (myelin, inflammatory)
- Toxic, metabolic, or nutritional (axon)
 - e.g., diabetes, chemotherapy
- Inflammatory (axon)

- **Neuromuscular junction disease**

- Myasthenia gravis
- Lambert-Eaton
- Botulism



- **Muscle disease (“myopathy”)**

- **Muscular dystrophies**
- **Congenital**
- **Channelopathies**
- **Mitochondrial**
- Metabolic, toxic, inflammatory
- Medical conditions

Charcot-Marie-Tooth (CMT) Disease



- The most common inherited neurologic disorder
 - Prevalence estimated at 1:2,500 or >100K in US
 - Also called hereditary motor and sensory neuropathy (HMSN)
- Currently over 100 different identified mutations
- Affects myelin sheath of nerve or nerve axon
- Onset typically in second decade of life
- Leads to slowly progressing muscle weakness
 - Affects hands and feet first
 - Diagnosis is based on
 - clinical presentation
 - genetic testing
- Leads to substantial morbidity



CMT Classification: Major Categories

| Type | Inheritance | Structure Affected | Estimated Frequency |
|------|-------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| CMT1 | dominant | myelin | 60% |
| CMT2 | dominant | axon | 20% |
| CMTX | X-linked | usually myelin | 10% |
| CMT4 | recessive | usually myelin | 5% |

Subtypes (CMT1A, 2A, X1, etc.) represent individual genes affected

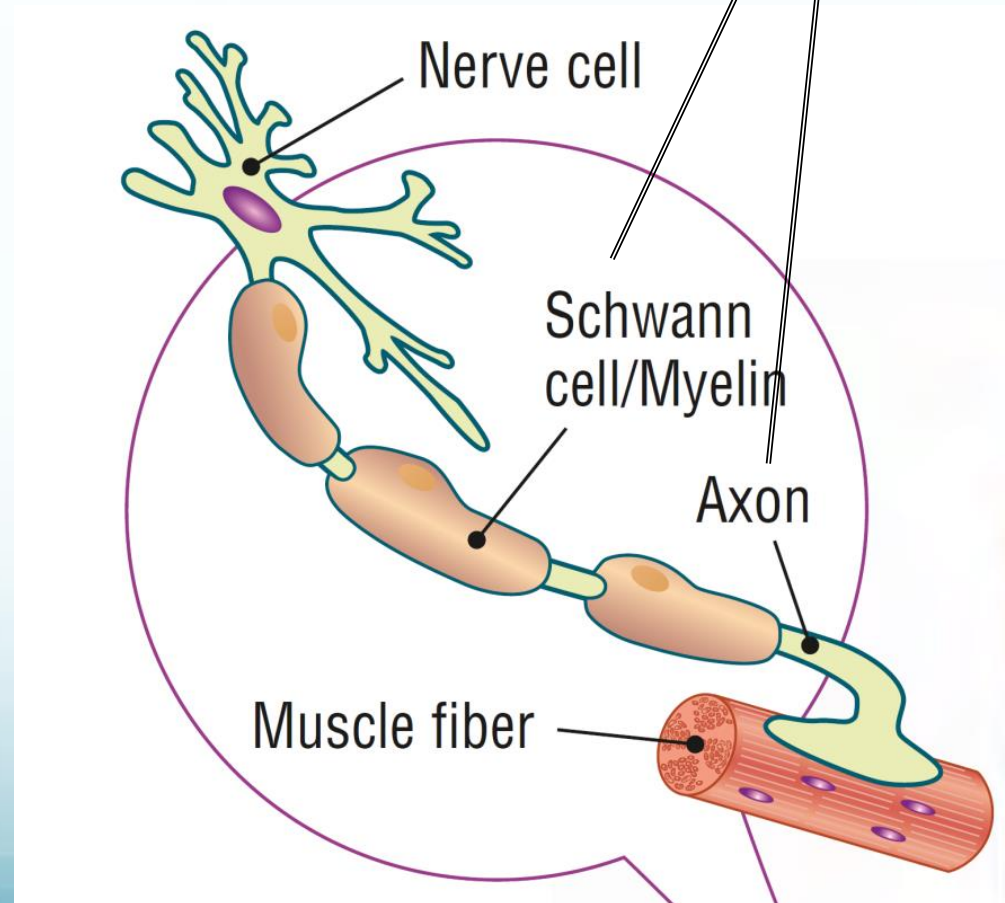
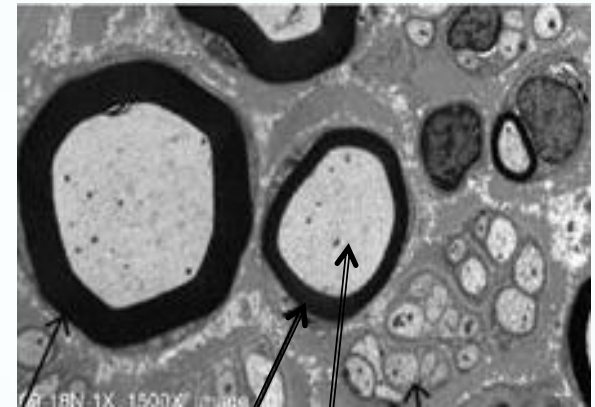
CMT mutations involve a variety of structural and functional proteins

- **Myelin proteins**

- *PMP22*
- *MPZ*
- *GJB1*

- **Axonal proteins**

- Protein transport
 - *LITAF*
- tRNA synthesis
 - *GARS, YARS*
- Mitochondrial function
 - *MFN2, GDAP1*
- Lysosomes
 - *SH3TC2, RAB7, FIG4*



CMT - Physical Appearance

- Foot deformities
 - Intrinsic foot muscle weakness
 - High arched foot (pes cavus)
 - Hammer toes
 - Heel inversion (varus)
- Calf atrophy
- Foot drop
- Hand muscle involvement
 - Claw hand



Clinical Presentation of CMT1

- Symmetric weakness of feet and ankles
 - Ankle sprains
 - Foot drop
 - Frequent falls
 - Difficulty walking and inability to run
- Loss of sensation
 - Injuries, skin breakdown, dropping objects
 - Numbness
 - Position sense
- Gait instability
 - Muscle weakness
 - Loss of sensation
 - Loss of balance, falls
- Loss of dexterity
 - Difficulty buttoning, writing, using utensils, operating machinery
- Fatigue
- Musculoskeletal pain, muscle cramps

Clinical Presentation of CMTX

- Asymmetric weakness of feet, legs, and hands
 - Muscle cramps
 - Ankle sprains
 - Difficulty running and walking
 - Foot drop
 - Falls
 - Difficulty writing, using utensils, operating machinery
- Males more affected

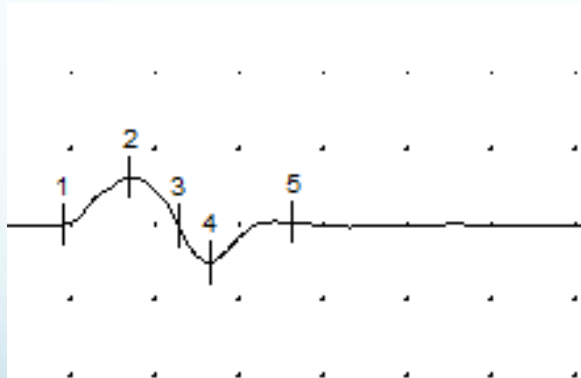
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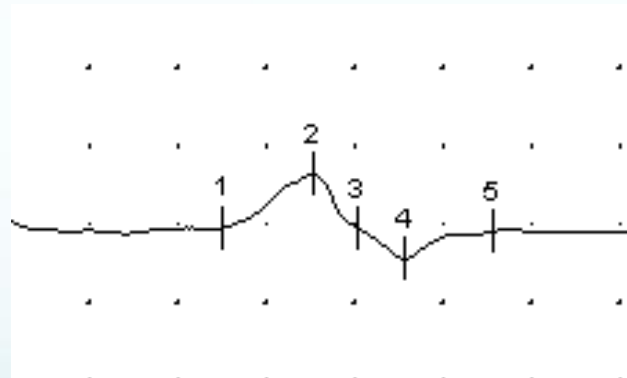
Neurologist Assessment

- Identify the patient's goals
- Make a diagnosis, based upon:
 - Symptoms
 - Examination (sensation, muscle function, reflexes)
 - Nerve conduction testing
 - Genetic testing
- Educate
 - Prognosis
 - Management
 - Research
 - Patient advocacy groups
- Refer as appropriate to therapists

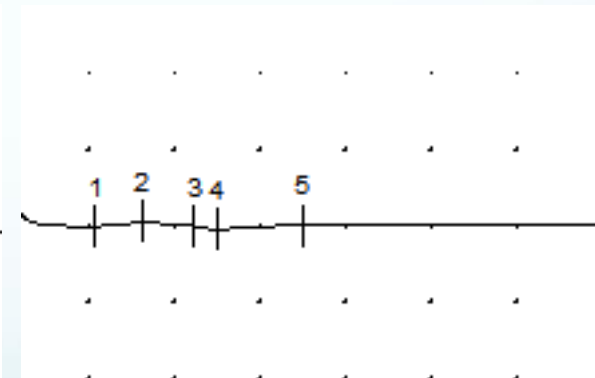
Nerve Conduction Testing



Normal



- **Slow conduction**
- **Abnormal myelin**
- **CMT1**



- **Low amplitude**
- **Normal conduction**
- **Axon loss**
- **CMT2**

Genetic Assessment

- Obtain family history
- If gene is known in a family member:
 - Perform neurologic examination
 - If abnormal and no other nerve disease, likely to be CMT
 - Can confirm by testing for known mutation
- If gene is not known in a family member:
 - Nerve conduction test indicates CMT1
 - Test for CMT1A
 - If negative, test all CMT1 genes
 - If negative, consider whole genome sequencing
 - Nerve conduction test indicates CMT2
 - Test all CMT2 genes
 - If negative, consider whole genome sequencing

Physical/Occupational Therapy

- **Assessment**
 - Pain
 - Range of motion
 - Strength
 - Gait and balance*
 - Fall risk assessment*
 - Cognitive assessment if indicated
- **Living environment**
 - Patient concerns
 - Barriers (stairs, tub, etc)
 - Assistance needs
 - Equipment
 - For mobility
 - For activities of daily living
 - Driving

****Walking speed, standing balance, and fall risk are influenced by ankle strength***

Orthotics Assessment

- Assessment of limb function
- Identifying needs for stabilization in all motions at ankle
 - Multiple devices available
- Custom modifications to braces
 - Often uncomfortable and not well tolerated

Clinical Research - Outcome Measures

| Outcome | Domain |
|---|----------------|
| MRI (muscle volume, intramuscular fat volume) | biomarker |
| Nerve conduction studies | biomarker |
| Manual muscle testing | strength |
| Hand-held dynamometry/fixed system | strength |
| 6-Minute walk test | motor function |
| 10-Meter walk/run | motor function |
| Overall Neuropathy Limitations Scale (ONLS) | disability |
| CMT Neuropathy Score / CMT Examination Score | combination |
| CMT Health Index (Univ of Rochester) | PRO |

Drug Development

- Current
 - Pharnext (PXT3003) – a fixed combination pleodrug comprising low doses of baclofen, naltrexone hydrochloride and sorbitol
 - Down-regulates the overexpression of PMP22 gene
 - Phase 2 results in 80 patients
 - Initiated Phase 3 trial in December 2015 in 300 CMT1A patients
 - Others
 - Pre-clinical stage or earlier

Potential Treatment Strategies

- Reduce expression of PMP22 in CMT1A
- Alter impact of impaired proteins
- Identify modifier genes and their functions
- Identify epigenetic modifiers

CMT - Summary

- The most common inherited neurologic disorder
- Most prominent disability is foot and hand weakness
 - Results in impaired gait, impaired stance, and falls
- No effective treatment of disease process to date
- Treatment is symptom and disability management
 - Ankle brace commonly used but often poorly tolerated

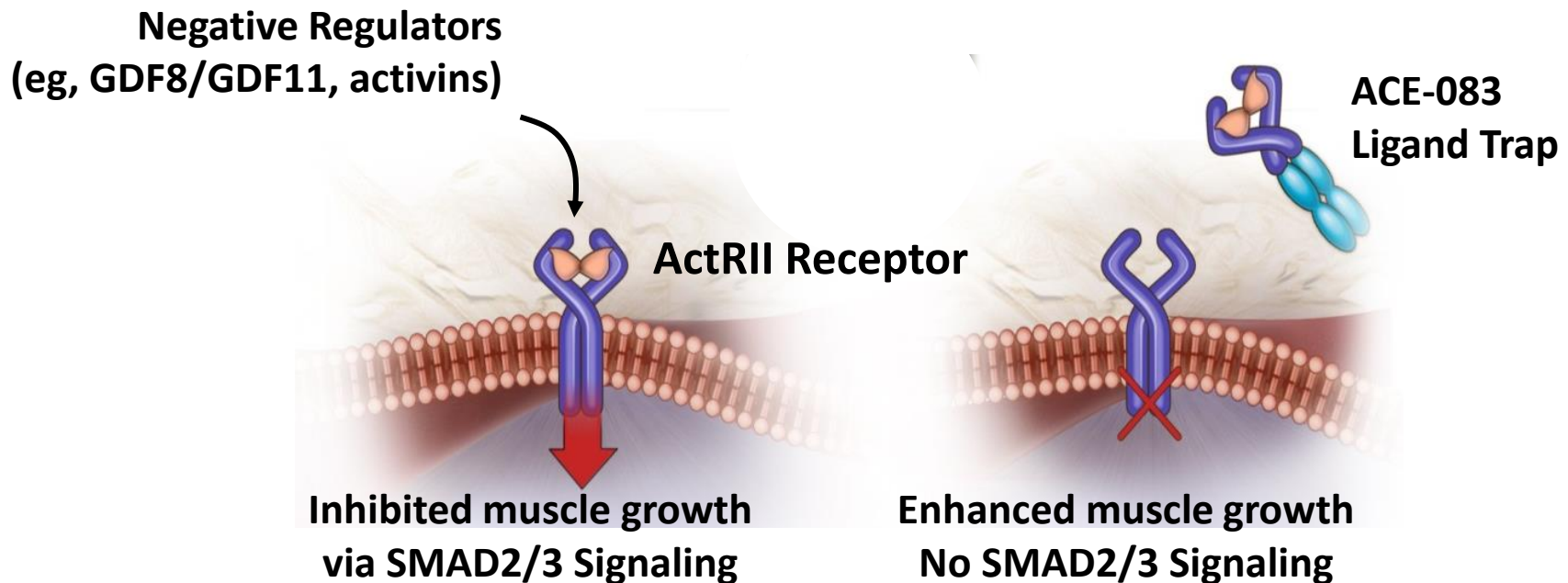
ACE-083 in Neuromuscular Diseases:
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ACE-083 – A Local Muscle Therapeutic



- **ACE-083** is a locally acting protein therapeutic that binds GDF8 and other negative regulators of skeletal muscle growth in the TGF- β superfamily
 - ACE-083 was designed to increase muscle mass and strength selectively in the muscle into which the drug is administered



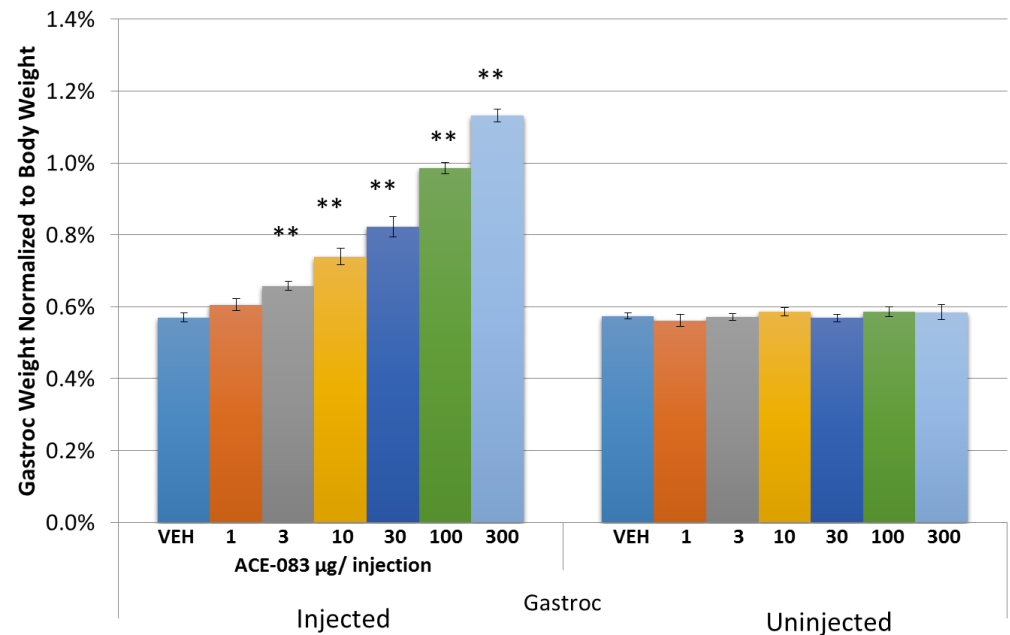
ACE-083 Increased Muscle Mass Locally in Wild Type Mice



- In wild type (WT) mice dosed 2x/week for 1 month into the left gastrocnemius muscle, ACE-083 increased muscle mass locally in the target muscle in a dose dependent fashion



**ACE-083
injected**



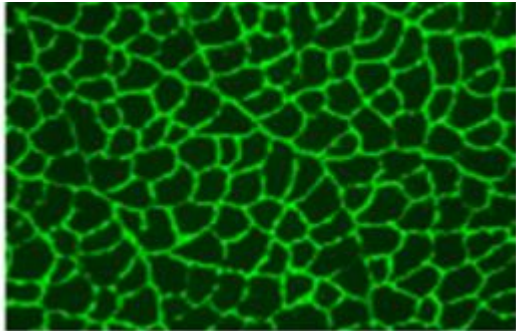
**p<0.05 vs vehicle and vs uninjected leg

ACE-083 Increases Muscle Fiber Cross-sectional Area and Tetanic Force of Tibialis Anterior Muscle in Disease Models

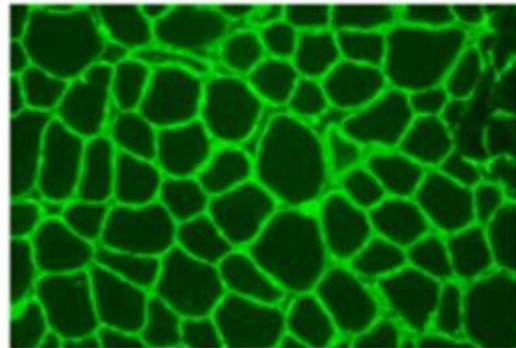


Increased Muscle Size

Uninjected Tibialis Anterior



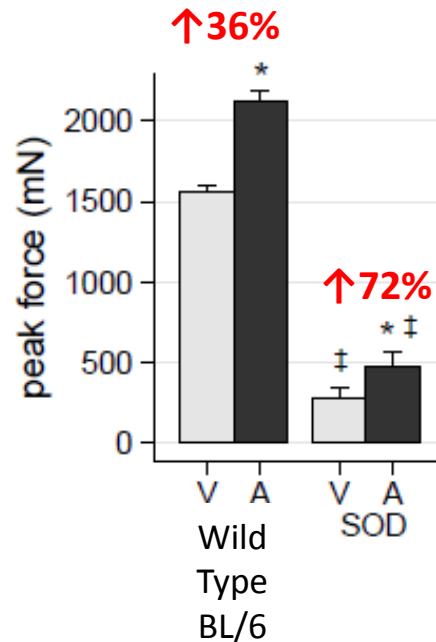
Injected Tibialis Anterior



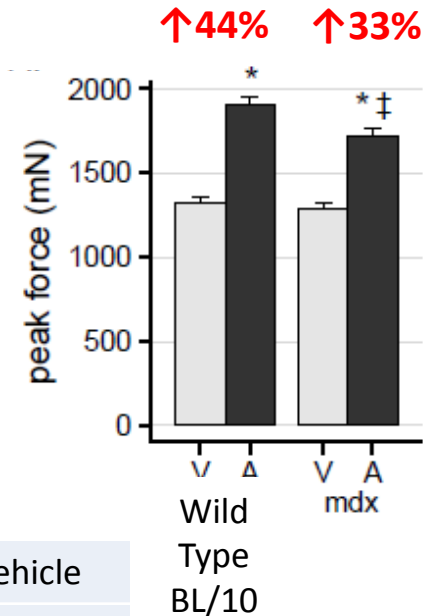
Increase in Fiber Cross Sectional Area / Muscle Hypertrophy

Increased Muscle Strength

ALS Mouse Model



DMD Mouse Model



V = Vehicle
A = ACE-083

* indicates a significant difference from the vehicle treated group of the same genotype.

‡ indicates a significant difference vs. WT mice of the same treatment combination.

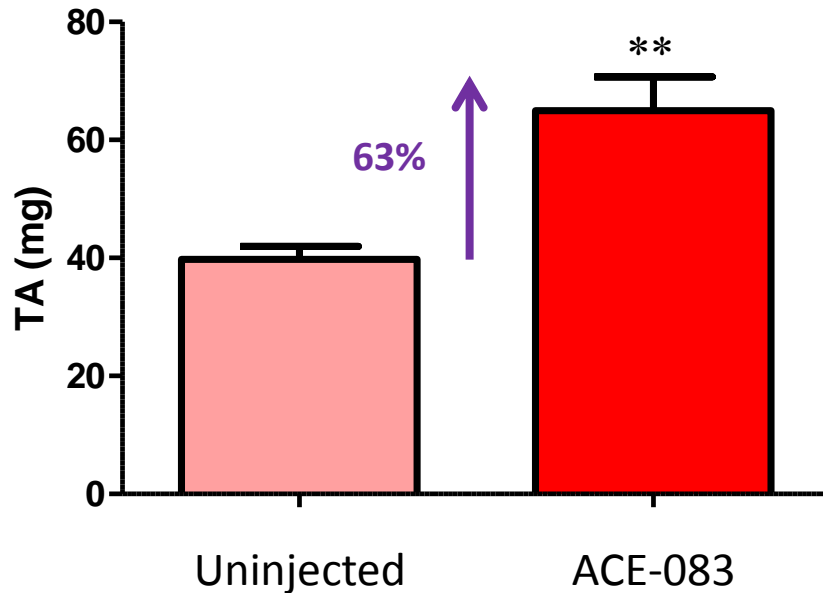
- “Trembler Jackson” (Tr-J) mouse is a model of CMT1
 - Spontaneous mutation in peripheral myelin protein 22 (Pmp22)
 - Delayed myelination followed by hypermyelination and demyelination

- Mice with established disease were treated by direct injection in the right tibialis anterior (TA) muscle 2X/week for 4 weeks

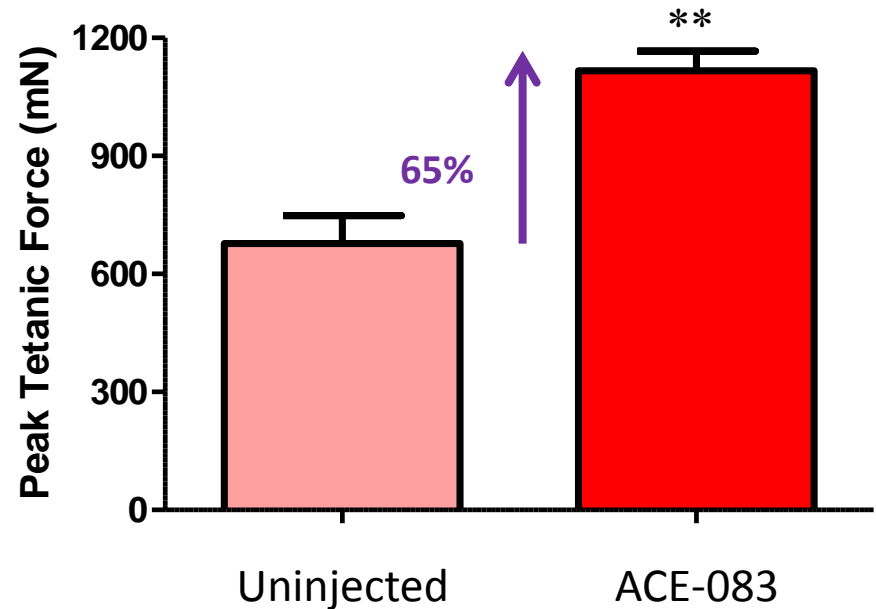
ACE-083 Increases TA Muscle Mass and Strength in a Mouse Model of CMT



Muscle Mass



Muscle Force



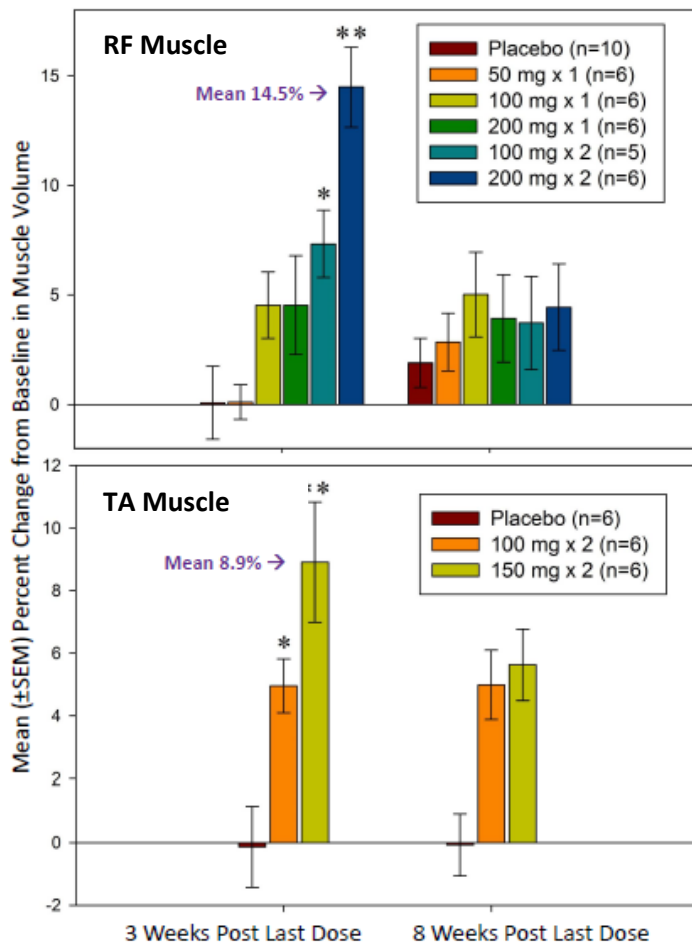
N=5 /group

** p<0.001

ACE-083 Produced Substantial Dose-Dependent Increases in Muscle Volume in a Phase 1 Study

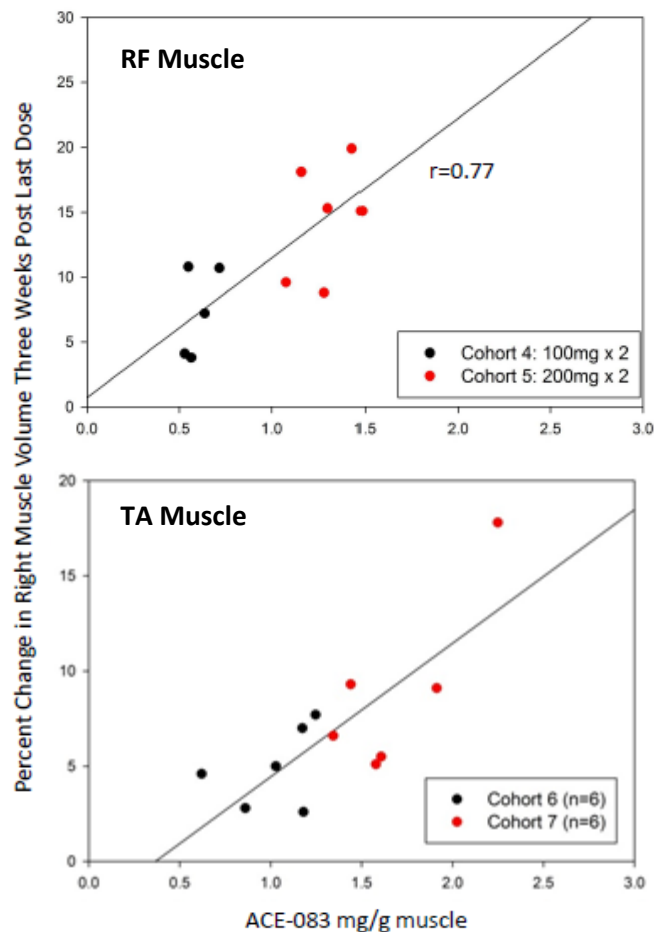


Percent Change in Volume of Injected (Right) Muscle



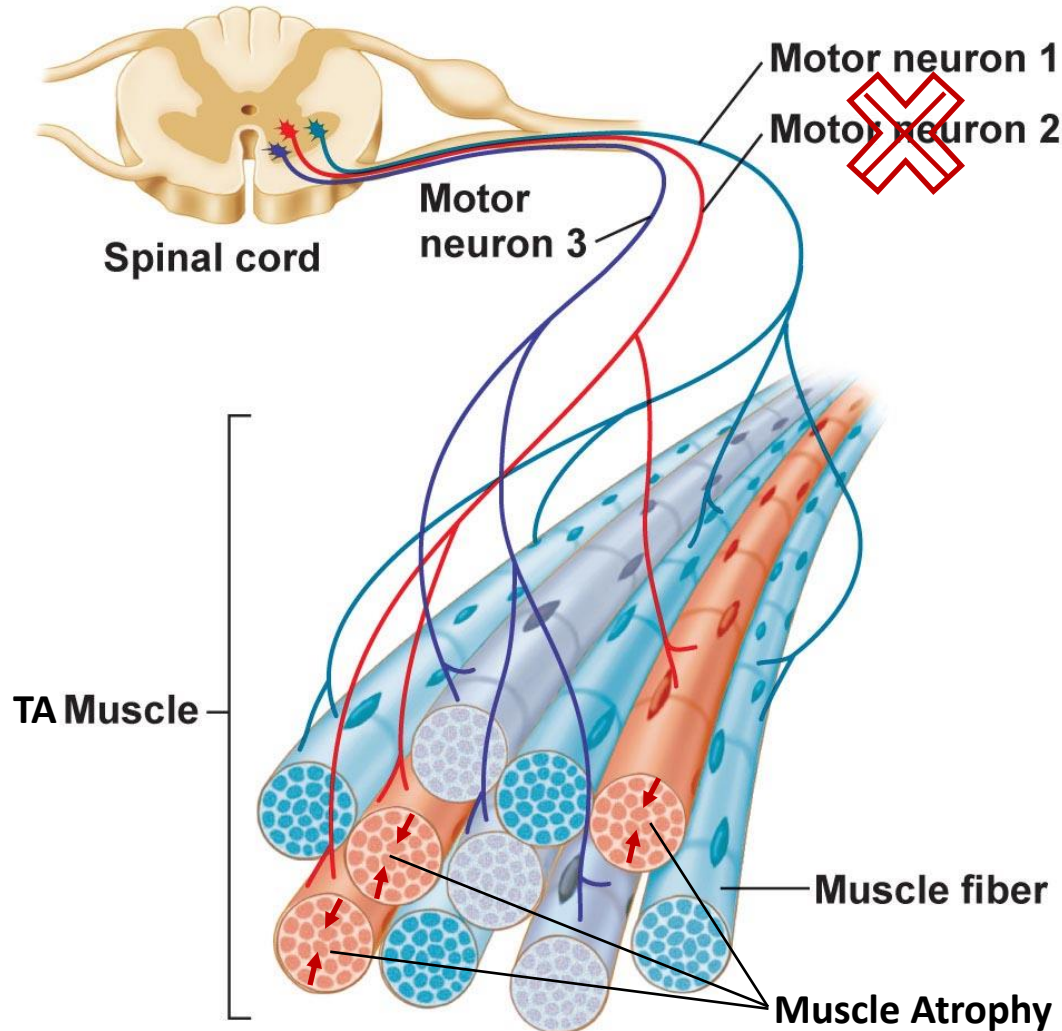
Dunnett's Test vs placebo: * p < 0.05; ** p < 0.001

Correlation Between Muscle Volume Increases and ACE-083 Dose



NOTE: 1 subject in Cohort 7 only received one dose of ACE-083, on Study Day 1

Our Goal in CMT/Neurologic Diseases



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Partial denervation of muscle



Specific muscle weakness



ACE-083 treatment



Increased residual muscle volume and strength



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Phase 2 Study in CMT



Weakness of the Tibialis Anterior (TA)

- Causes foot drop
- Impairs mobility/walking
- Increases risk of falls



Tibialis Anterior

Strengthening the TA muscle should alleviate foot drop and improve ambulation and stair-climbing ability



Phase 2 CMT Study - Key Eligibility Criteria

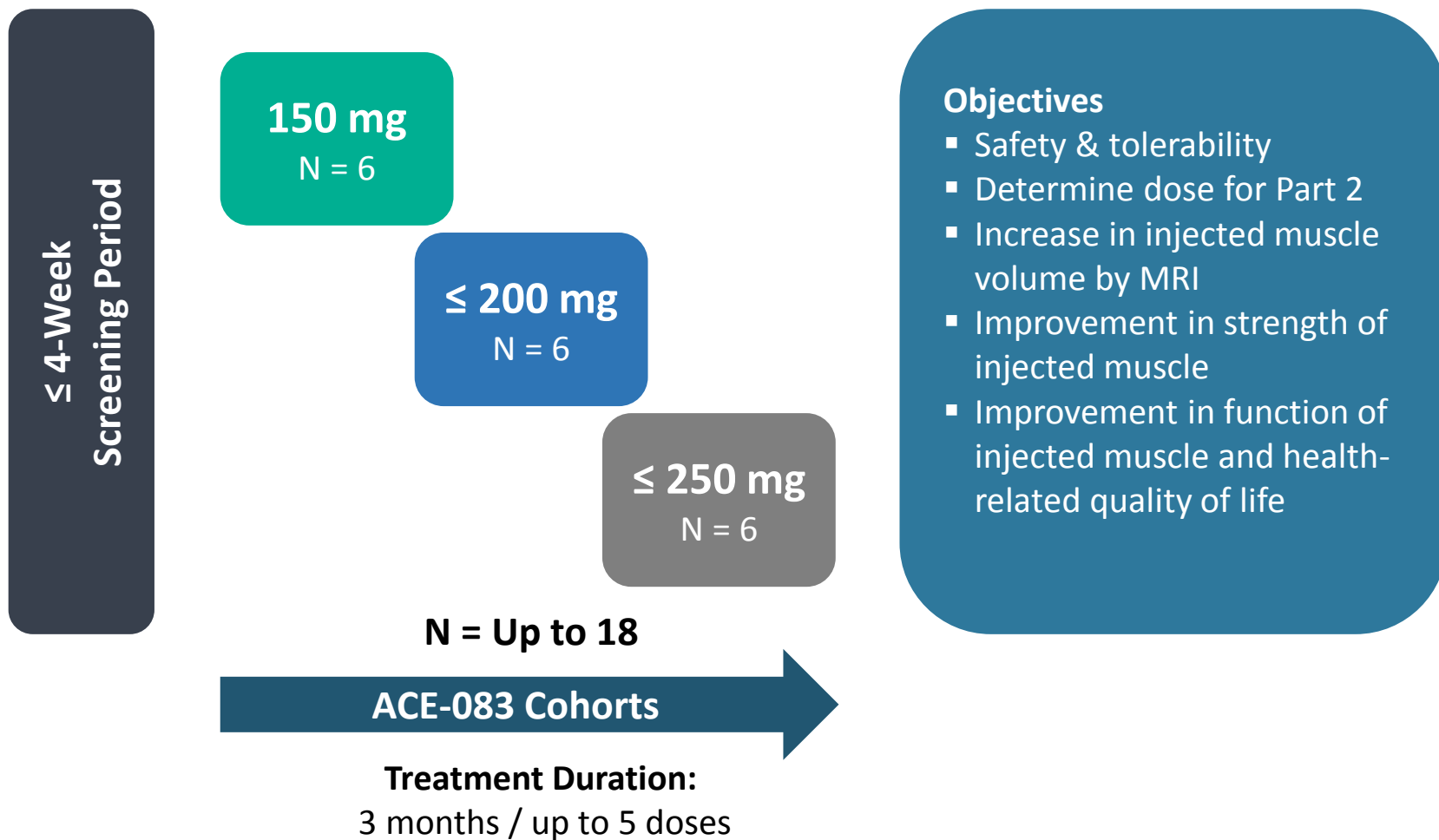


- Age \geq 18 years
- Genetically-confirmed CMT1 or CMTX, or, confirmed first-degree relative and clinical signs/symptoms of CMT1 or CMTX
- Six-minute walk distance \geq 150 meters
- Independent ambulation \geq 10 meters
- Left and right ankle dorsiflexion weakness
- No severe deformity or fixation of ankle

ACE-083 CMT Study Design - Part 1



Part 1: non-randomized, open-label, dose-escalating with goal to identify dose to be used in Part 2 of this two-part clinical trial



ACE-083 CMT Study Design - Part 2



Part 2: randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled



Treatment Duration:
3 months / up to 5 doses

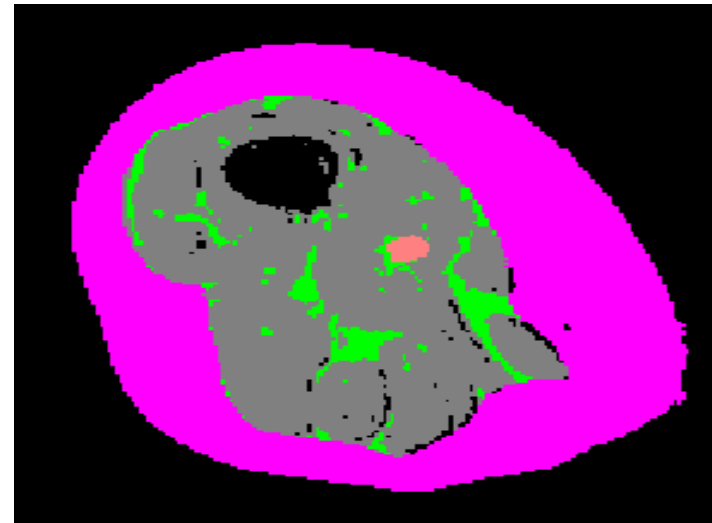
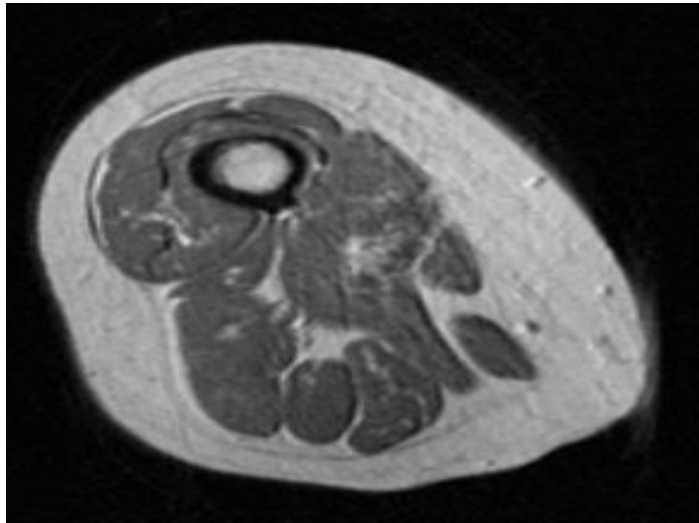
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Muscle Volume and Fat Fraction by MRI



- Percent change from baseline in muscle volume of tibialis anterior by MRI

MRI Imaging



Grey = Muscle

Pink = SC fat

Green = IM fat

Tibialis Anterior Strength Measurements in CMT Study



- Percent change from baseline in strength of tibialis anterior by quantitative muscle testing

Strength Measurements



Solari A, et al. Neuromuscular Disorders 2008;18:19-26

Functional Assessments



- **Tests of function for tibialis anterior muscle**
 - 10 meter walk/run
 - 6 minute walk test (6MWT)
 - Gait analysis
 - Berg balance scale

- **Physician- and Patient-Reported Outcome (PRO) Measures**
 - CMT Examination Scale v.2 (CMTES2)
 - CMT Health Index (CMT-HI)

- CMT is a slowly progressive neurologic disease
 - Tibialis anterior (TA) weakness can start in childhood and persist into the later decades of life
 - ACE-083 is designed to increase muscle volume and strength in target muscles
- Encouraging results from CMT and ALS neuropathy mouse models
- Data from Phase 1 study demonstrated safety and unprecedented increases in muscle volume in the TA as well as quadriceps
- Functional endpoints are well established for the lower extremity and can be supplemented by gait analysis and PRO tools

ACE-083 CMT Q&A Session



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