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Novel 5-HT_{2c}
Selective Agonist

Breaking through
Drug resistant epilepsies

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Agenda



Investor Presentation Agenda: Announcement of the BREAKTHROUGH Study

1. Welcome and Introduction

Ian McDonald, Chief Executive Officer

2. Understanding Absence Epilepsy

Dr. Dennis Dlugos, Key Opinion Leader (KOL)

3. Deep Dive into Developmental Epileptic Encephalopathy (DEE)

Dr. Joe Sullivan, Key Opinion Leader (KOL)

4. BMB-101: Preclinical and Clinical Rationale

Jan Torleif Pedersen, MSc PhD, Chief Scientific Officer

5. The BREAKTHROUGH Study: Trial Design and Objectives.

Dr. Jo Sourbron, Key Opinion Leader (KOL)

6. Market Potential and Strategic Positioning

Ian McDonald, Chief Executive Officer

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About Bright Minds Biosciences



Healing the central nervous system
& brain through regulation of
serotonin

**New approaches to
neuroscience create
Bright Minds**

Pipeline



Rich and diverse portfolio in neurology and psychiatry with multiple programs

Lead	Features	Research	Ph-1	Ph-2	Indications
<u>5-HT_{2C} agonists for CNS disorders</u>					
BMB-101	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Selective and biased 2C agonist, low 5-HT_{2A/2B}• Biased agonism with minimal arrestin recruitment• Suitable for chronic dosing	Clinical Studies - Phase 2			Rare epilepsies
BMB-xxx	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Selective 5-HT_{2C} agonist compound• Biased agonist	ADME/PK profiling			Obesity and feeding behaviour
<u>Non-hallucinogenic psychoplastogens</u>					
BMB-201	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promotes neuroplasticity• Low or absent psychedelic activity• Devoid of 5-HT_{2B} activity	IND-enabling studies			Treatment-resistant depression
<u>5-HT_{2A} agonists for the treatment of depression</u>					
BMB-202	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Selective 5-HT_{2A} "Fast-On-Fast-Off" compound• High C_{max} and short plasma half-life• 2-fold more potent than psilocin at 5-HT_{2A}	IND-enabling tox			Depression (Fast-onset)
BMB-xxx	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mixed 5-HT_{2A/2C} compound• 10-fold more potent than psilocin at 5-HT_{2A}	ADMEPK profiling			Neurology / Neuropsychiatric Indication

Creating New Chemical Entities That Target Serotonin Agonism

Serotonin (5-HT) is the most prominent neurotransmitter in the brain and modulates many functions

Key 5-HT₂ Receptors Targets

5-HT_{2A} Agonists

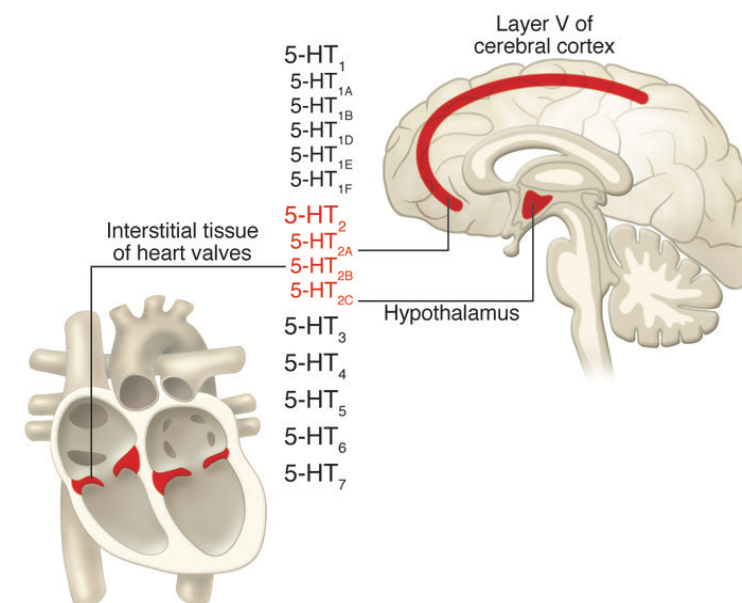
Depression, PTSD

5-HT_{2C} Agonists

Epilepsy, Impulsivity Control Disorders

5-HT_{2A/2C} Agonists

Depression, Generalized Anxiety Disorder

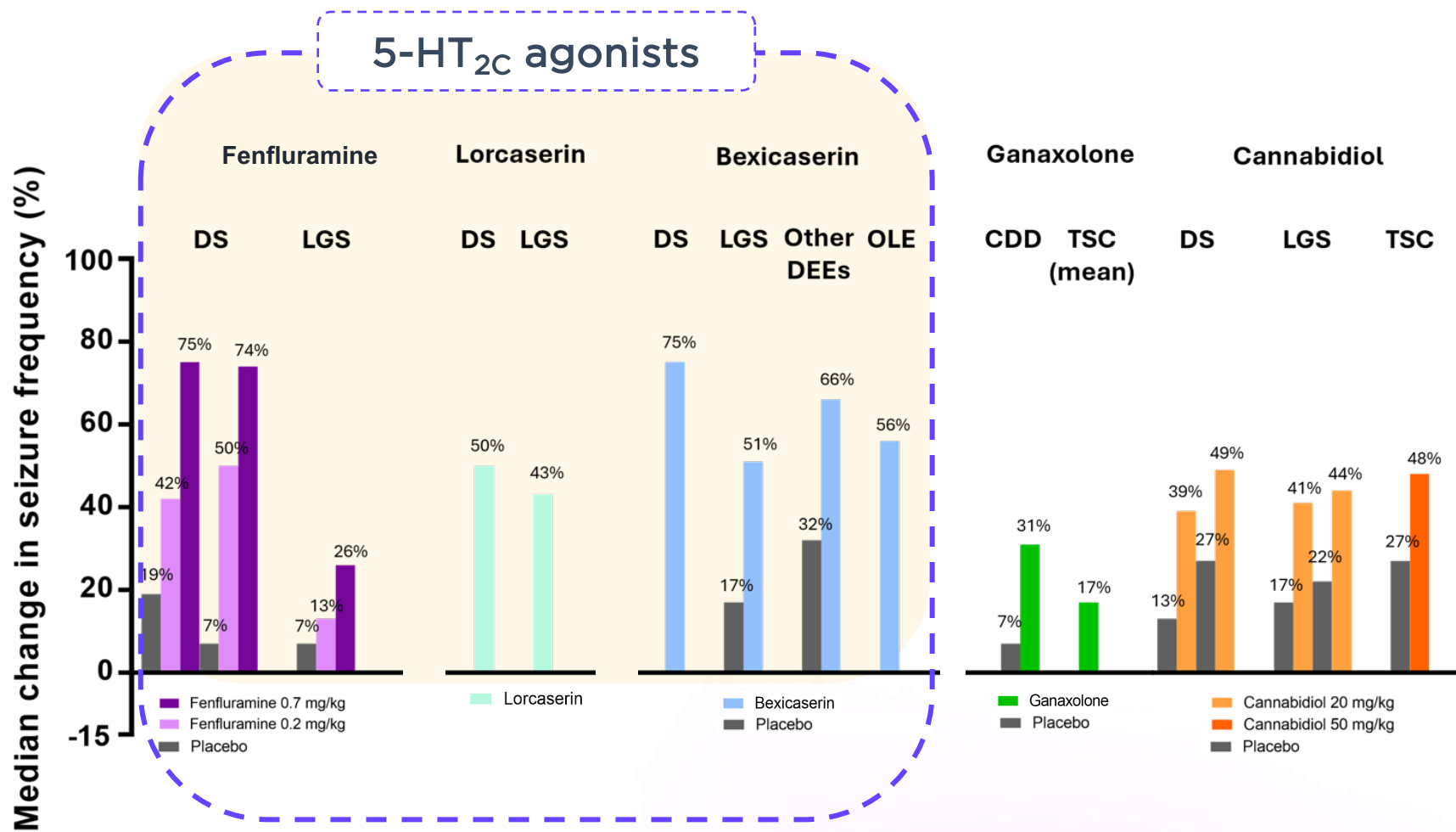


Based on a proprietary chemistry platform Bright Minds have developed highly selective 5-HT_{2A} and 5-HT_{2C} agonists without 5-HT_{2B} activity

5-HT_{2B} activation is associated with undesirable cardiac valvulopathy

J Clin Invest. 2013;123(12):4986-4991

5-HT_{2C} agonism provides superior efficacy in DEE epilepsies



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Drug-resistant epilepsy is still a significant issue

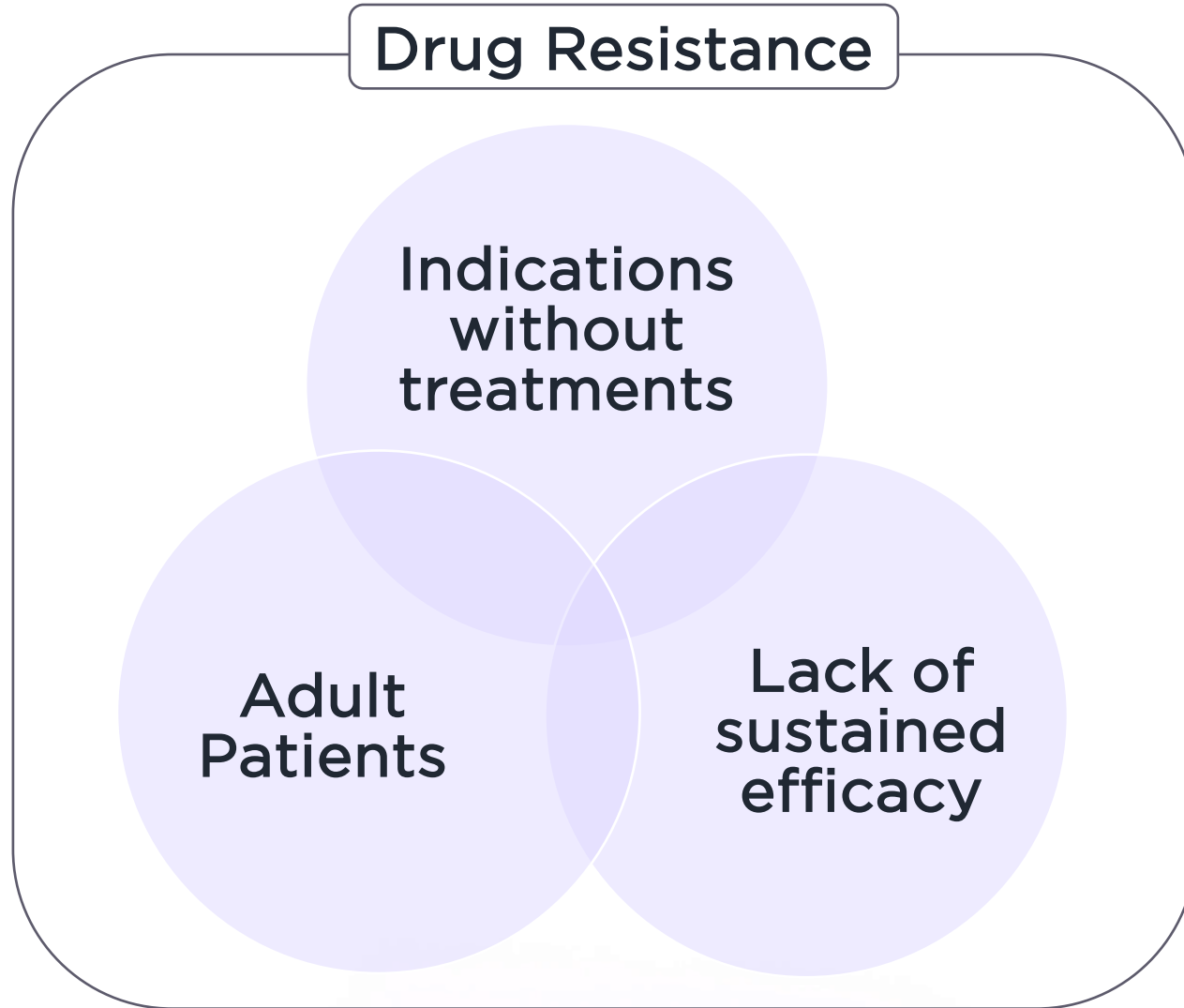
~30%
of Epilepsy patients
develop drug resistance



Definition:

Drug-resistant epilepsy is characterized by the persistence of seizures despite the use of at least two appropriate antiseizure medications (ASMs) at effective doses

Despite the availability of over 20 ASMs, achieving seizure control in DRE patients remains difficult.



Treatment of Drug-Resistant Epilepsies

Recent drug development focused on Dravet Syndrome, LGS and other DEEs



Today

Suppression of seizures in Broad Epilepsy Population (~65 Million)

Future

Focus on epilepsies without treatments

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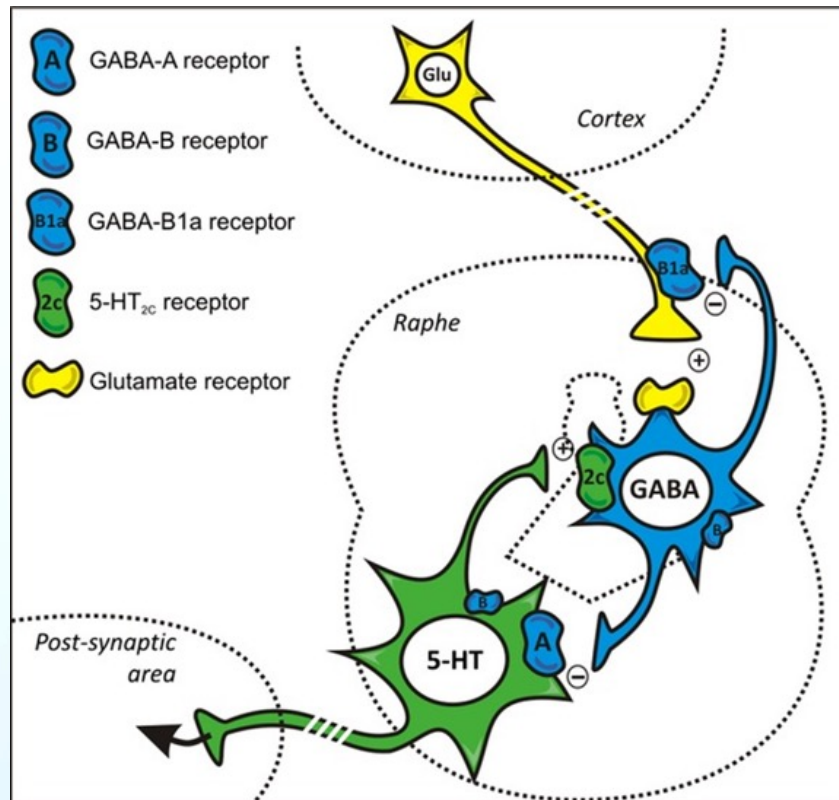
Breaking through
Drug resistant epilepsies

**Novel mechanism to address major
unmet need**

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Chief Scientific Officer
Bright Minds Biosciences

5-HT_{2C} Agonists – Putting a brake on Seizures



- Epileptic Seizures are caused by hypersynchronous neuronal discharges that can be alleviated by enhancing GABAergic inhibition.
- 5-HT_{2C} receptors are expressed on the surface of GABAergic interneurons pre-synaptic to dopamine and serotonin cell bodies.
- Activation of 5-HT_{2C} receptors via Gq will release GABA and increase firing threshold of serotonergic and dopaminergic neurons.

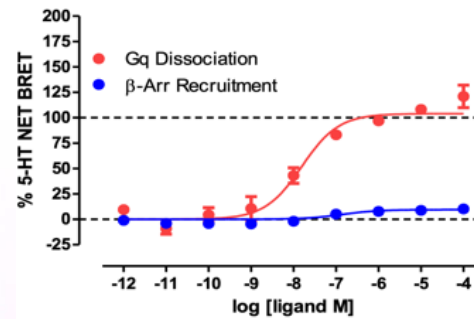
BMB-101 is uniquely positioned to address major unmet needs

Highly selective 5-HT_{2C} agonist

Compound	5-HT _{2A}	5-HT _{2B}	5-HT _{2C}
BMB-101	2280	>10000	16.2
Nor-Fenfluramine	82.8	11.6	2.5
Lorcaserin	50.1	67.4	2.4
Bexicaserin	>10000	>10000	120

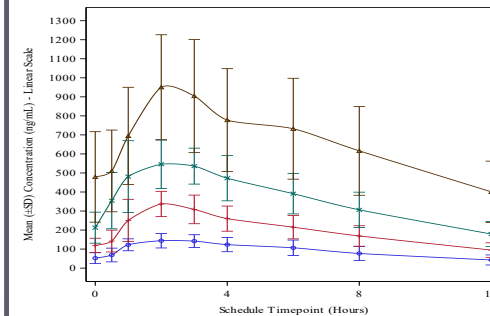
- Validated mechanism of action in DEEs
- Improved safety profile

G-protein biased agonist



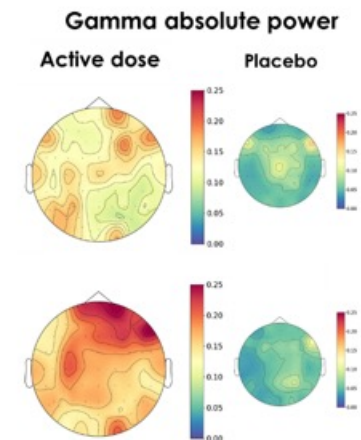
- Sustained chronic effect
- Reduced tolerance

Safety and PK/PD properties validated in Phase 1



- Potential for a more convenient once daily formulation

Proof of mechanism demonstrated in Ph.1
Increased gamma-power on qEEG



- Additional behavioral/cognitive benefits

Highly selective and potent 5-HT_{2C} agonist with favorable preclinical profile

5-HT₂ Gq dissociation

Absolute EC₅₀ (nM)

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Internal data for BMB-101, fenfluramine, lorcaserin.
Bexicaserin data from Longboard corporate deck

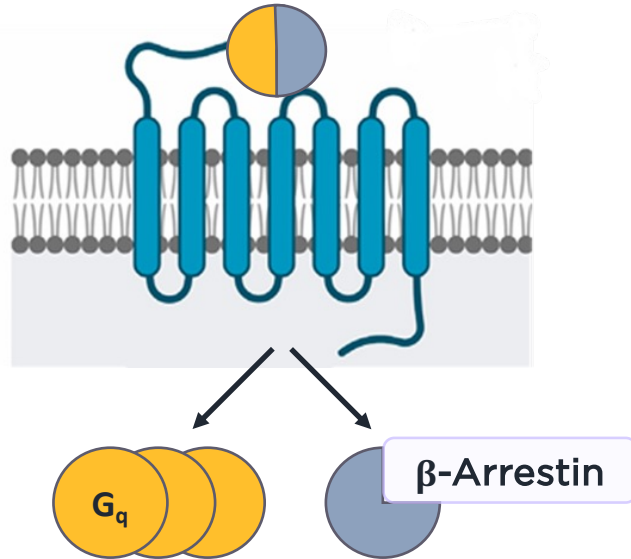
Preclinical validation summary

- ✓ Reduces locomotion and duration of epileptiform discharges in zebrafish model of Dravet syndrome
- ✓ Reduces duration of seizures in the mouse 6Hz model of epilepsy (similar to other anti-epileptics)
- ✓ Oral bioavailability ~90%
- ✓ Low potential for drug-drug interactions
- ✓ High solubility and permeability, typical BCS Class 1 compound

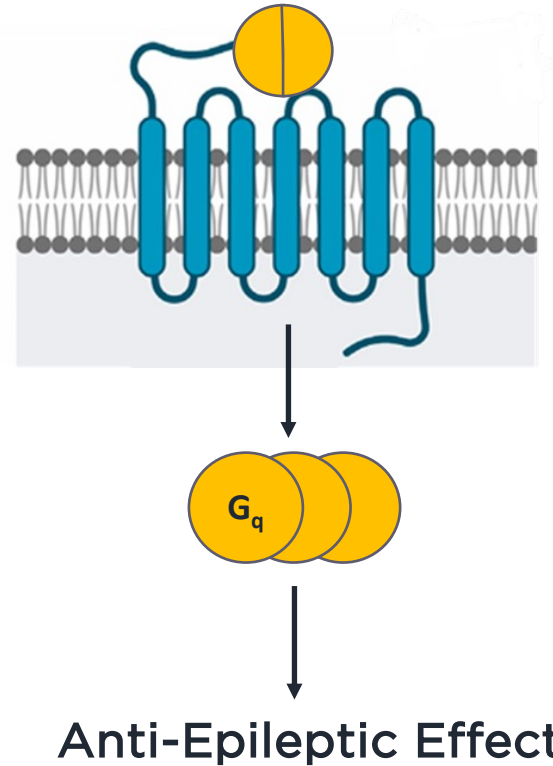
Novel 5-HT_{2C} mechanism

One receptor – multiple modes of activation

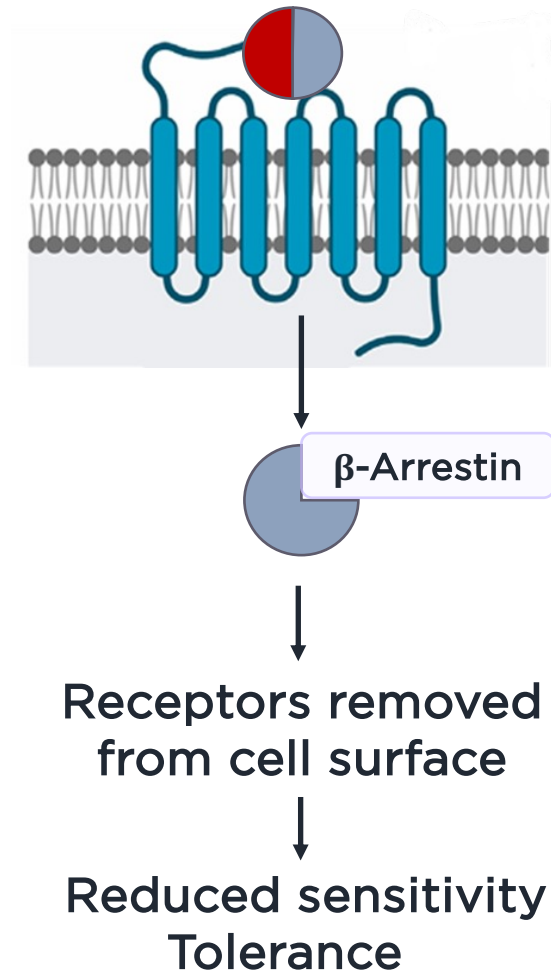
Balanced Agonism



G-protein biased Agonism

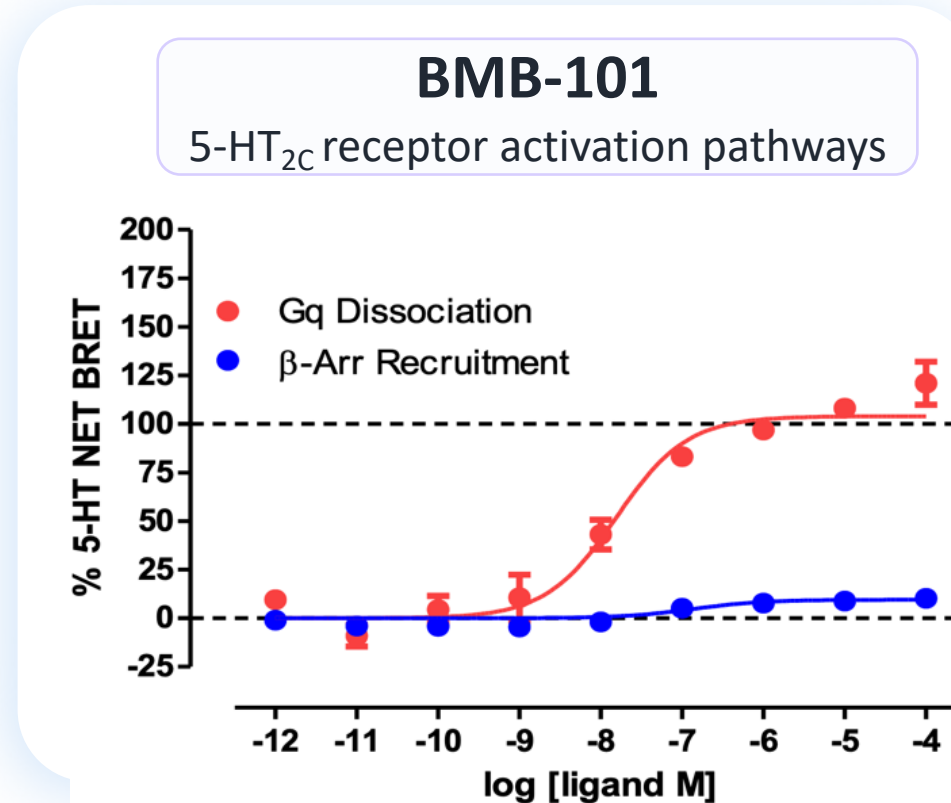


β-Arrestin biased Agonism




BMB-101 a Novel 5-HT_{2C} mechanism

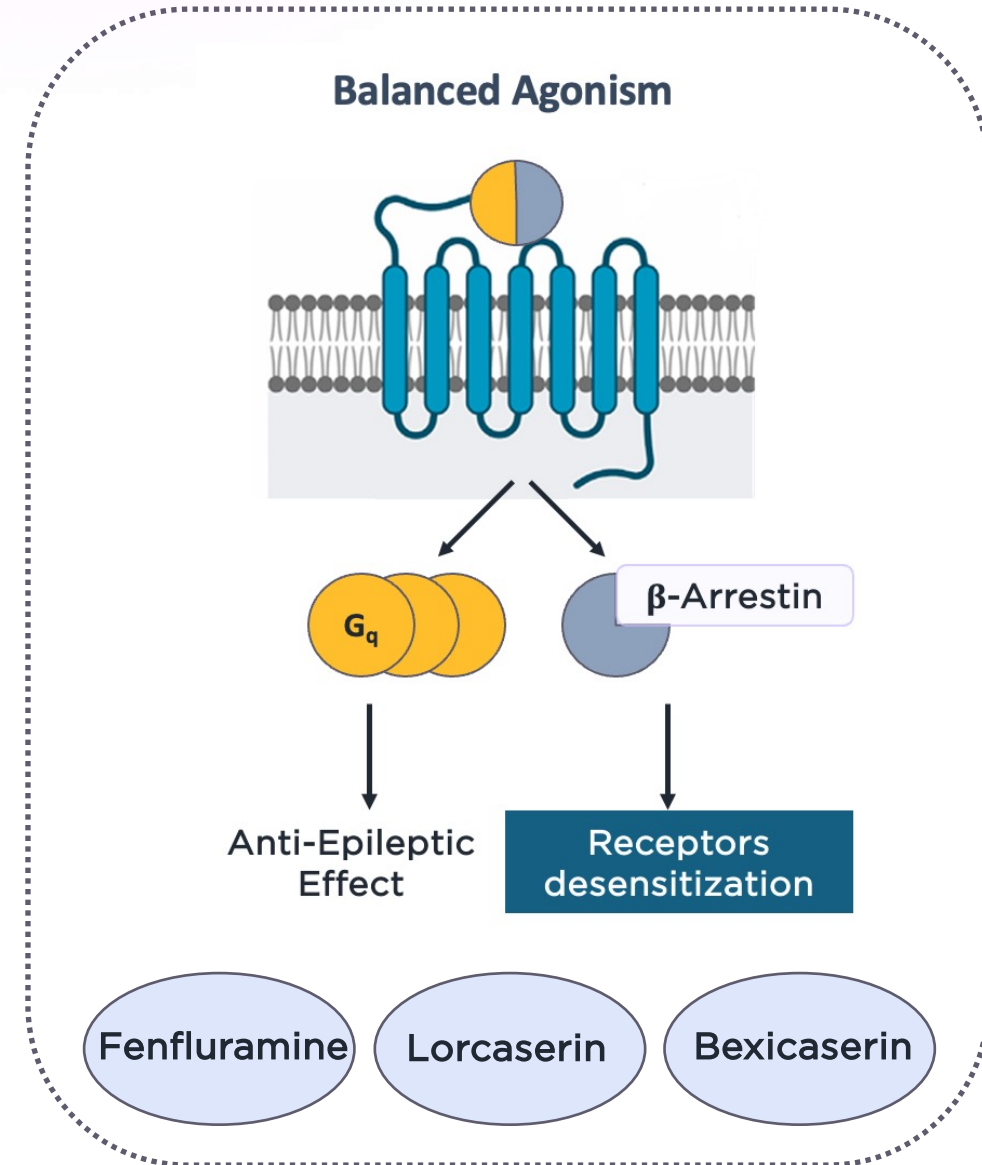
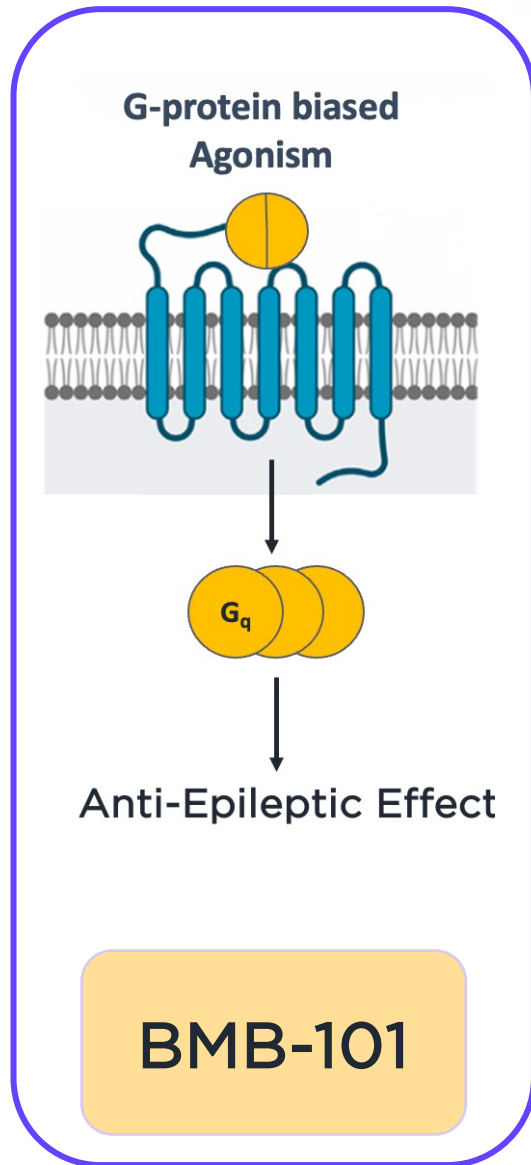
- BMB-101 does not recruit β -arrestin
- Cells to stay “healthy” and maintains the response to the drug over time



 **G-protein Pathway**
Associated with therapeutic effect

 **β -Arrestin pathway**
Associated with tolerance

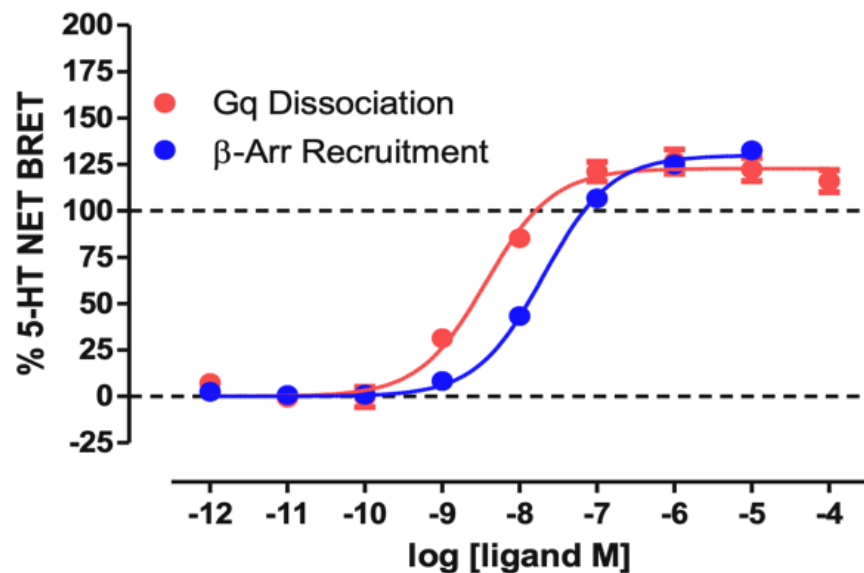
BMB-101 Exhibits Functional Selectivity



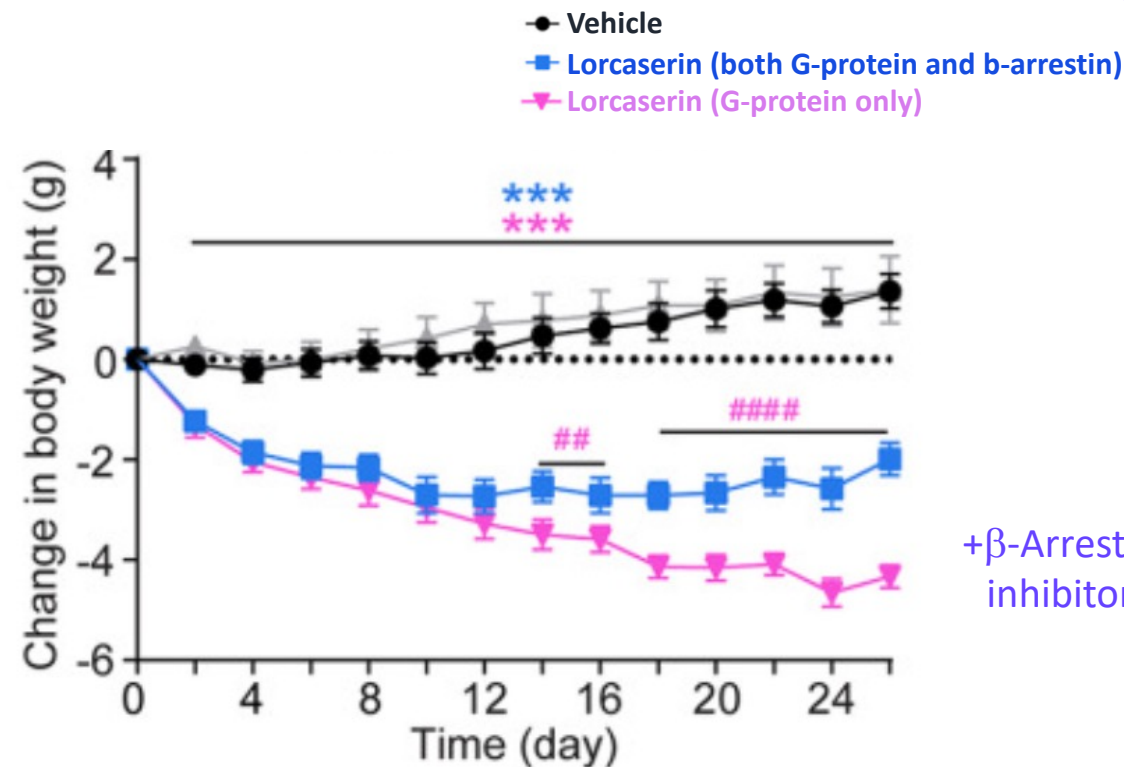
How does it translate to efficacy?

Lessons learned from Lorcaserin

Lorcaserin



- Balanced 5-HT_{2C} agonist
- Potent β -arrestin activator
- Had diminished effects after 6 months as a weight loss drug



+ β -Arrestin inhibitor

Deactivation of β -arrestin produces a superior and sustained effect in long term Lorcaserin use (in vivo study)

BMB-101 Phase 1 study - design



A 3-Part Study to Evaluate the Safety, Tolerability, PK, and Food Effect of BMB-101 in Healthy Volunteers

Protocol PR-BMB-101-101

Study was done in Adelaide, Australia with Syneos and CMAX

Single Ascending Dose

4 cohorts (6 drug and 2 placebo)

single dose (oral solution)

Food Effects

12 subjects - crossover with and without breakfast

Multiple Ascending Dose

4 cohorts (6 drug and 2 placebo) - twice a day dosing for 7 days

Quantitative electroencephalogram (qEEG) recording in Cohort 4 (dose 150 mg)

Cardiac monitoring

BMB-101 Phase 1 – SAD/MAD

Favorable Safety & Tolerability Results Observed



40-80 mg BID

Expected Therapeutic dose

- Drug slightly better tolerated in fed state at 120 mg
- No SAEs observed, all AEs were transient

	Placebo (n=9)	20 mg (n=6)	60 mg (n=6)	120 mg (n=7)	180 mg (n=6)
Oral paresthesias	1 (11.1%)	1 (16.7%)	-	2 (28.6%)	5 (83.3%)
Nausea	-	-	2 (33.3%)	-	3 (50%)
Sedation	-	-	-	-	3 (50%)
Headache	1 (11.1%)	-	-	-	2 (33.3%)
Balance Disorder	-	-	-	-	2 (33.3%)
Photophobia	-	-	-	-	2 (33.3%)
Dizziness	-	-	-	-	1 (16.7%)
Decreased Appetite	-	-	-	1 (14.3%)	-
Euphoria	-	-	-	1 (14.3%)	-
Single Ascending Dose					

	Placebo (n=8)	40 mg BID (n=6)	80 mg BID (n=6)	120 mg BID (n=6)	150 mg BID (n=6)
Headache	2 (25%)	-	1 (16.7%)	1 (16.7%)	3 (50%)
Balance Disorder	-	-	-	-	3 (50%)
Photophobia	-	-	-	-	3 (50%)
Visual Impairment	-	-	-	1 (16.7%)	-
Oscillopsia	-	-	-	-	1 (16.7%)
Oral Paresthesias	-	1 (16.7%)	1 (16.7%)	1 (16.7%)	-
Nausea	-	-	-	1 (16.7%)	1 (16.7%)
Somnolescence	-	-	-	1 (16.7%)	1 (16.7%)
Cognitive Disorder	-	-	-	-	1 (16.7%)
Dizziness	-	-	-	-	1 (16.7%)
Decreased Appetite	-	-	-	-	1 (16.7%)
Dysphoria	-	-	-	1 (16.7%)	-
Multiple Ascending Dose					

BMB-101 – Clinical Data from Phase 1



Safety:

- ✓ Favorable safety & tolerability in Phase 1. All side effects transient, no severe adverse events. No side-effects observed before top dose was reached.
- ✓ Side effects at top dose (2-3x of predicted therapeutic dose) as expected for the CNS drug acting at 5-HT receptors.

Target engagement:

- ✓ Transient dose-dependent prolactin release
- ✓ Central target engagement by qEEG and Potential for improved cognitive performance (increase in gamma power)*

Favorable PK:

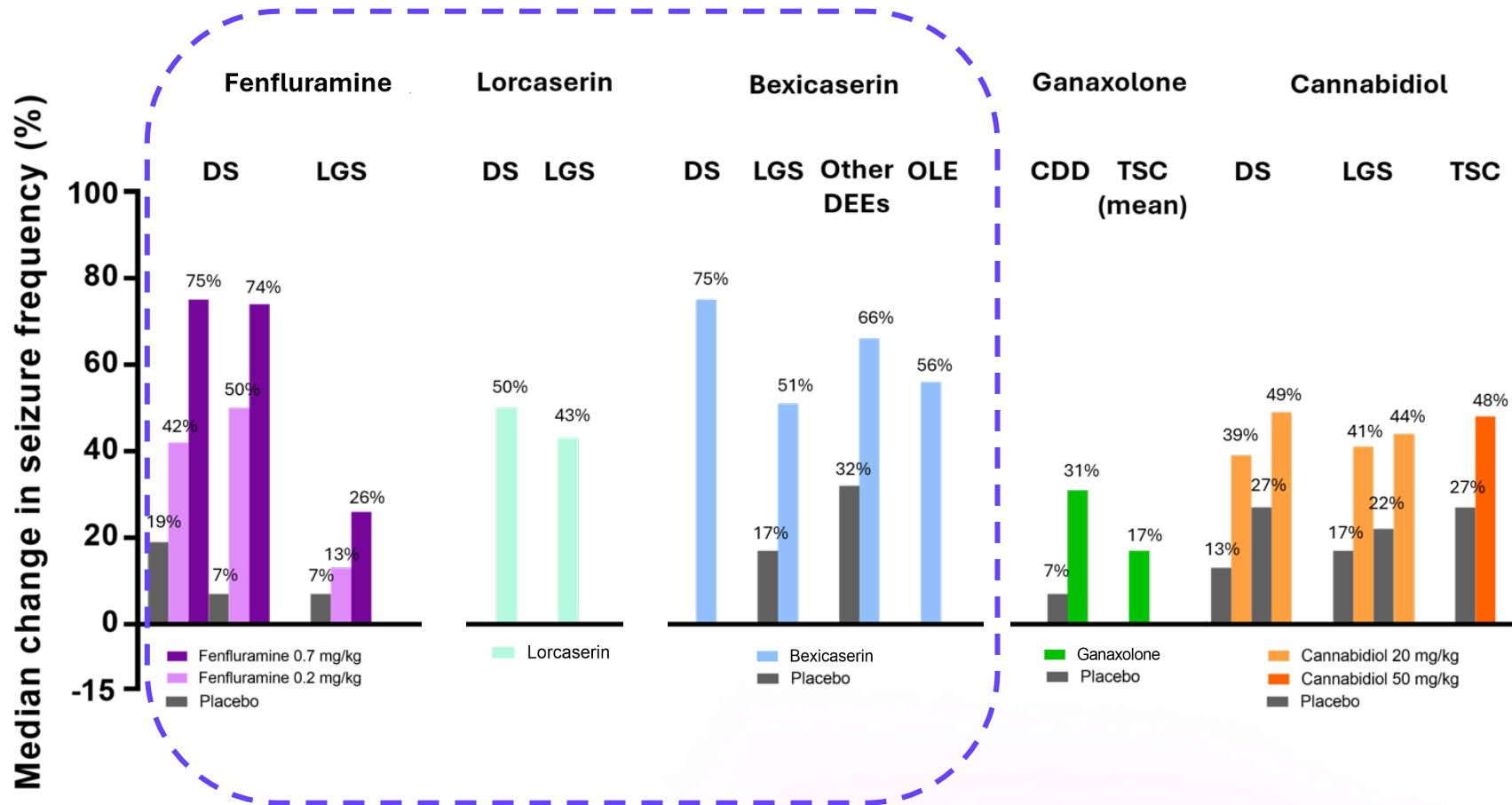
- ✓ Dose proportionality observed in SAD and MAD study. No significant food effects observed

Changes in absolute power pre/post-dose

	Delta	Alpha	Beta	Gamma
Broad spectrum ASMs				
Valproate	↓	↓	↓	↓
Leviracetam	↓	↓	↓	NA
Carbamazepine	↑	↓	↓	NA
Lacosamide	↑	↓	↓	NA
5-HT_{2C} agonists				
Bexicaserin	↑	↓	↓	Not reported
BMB-101	↑	↓	↓	↑

*Increases in gamma power can be related to increased cognitive demands, higher attention, better processing of attended stimuli, and response inhibition

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BMB-101 – a next-generation 5-HT_{2C} agonist for chronic treatment



Potency and Selectivity

- Very potent and selective at 5-HT_{2C} receptor
- No significant activity at other 5-HT receptors



Safety in clinical trials Phase 1

- Safe and tolerable at all tested doses
- Excellent PK/PD properties and central target engagement



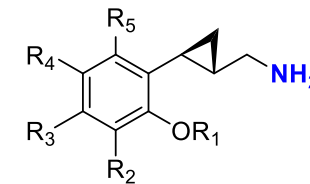
Optimized for chronic treatment

- Potential for once-a-day formulation
- Designed to have sustained efficacy without tolerance



Strong IP

- Granted patent until 2036
- Possible extension to 2041



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**Breaking through
Drug-resistant epilepsies**

Unmet need in epilepsy

Unmet needs in epilepsy

Patients need to shift the treatment paradigm

Drug Resistance

Indications
without
treatments

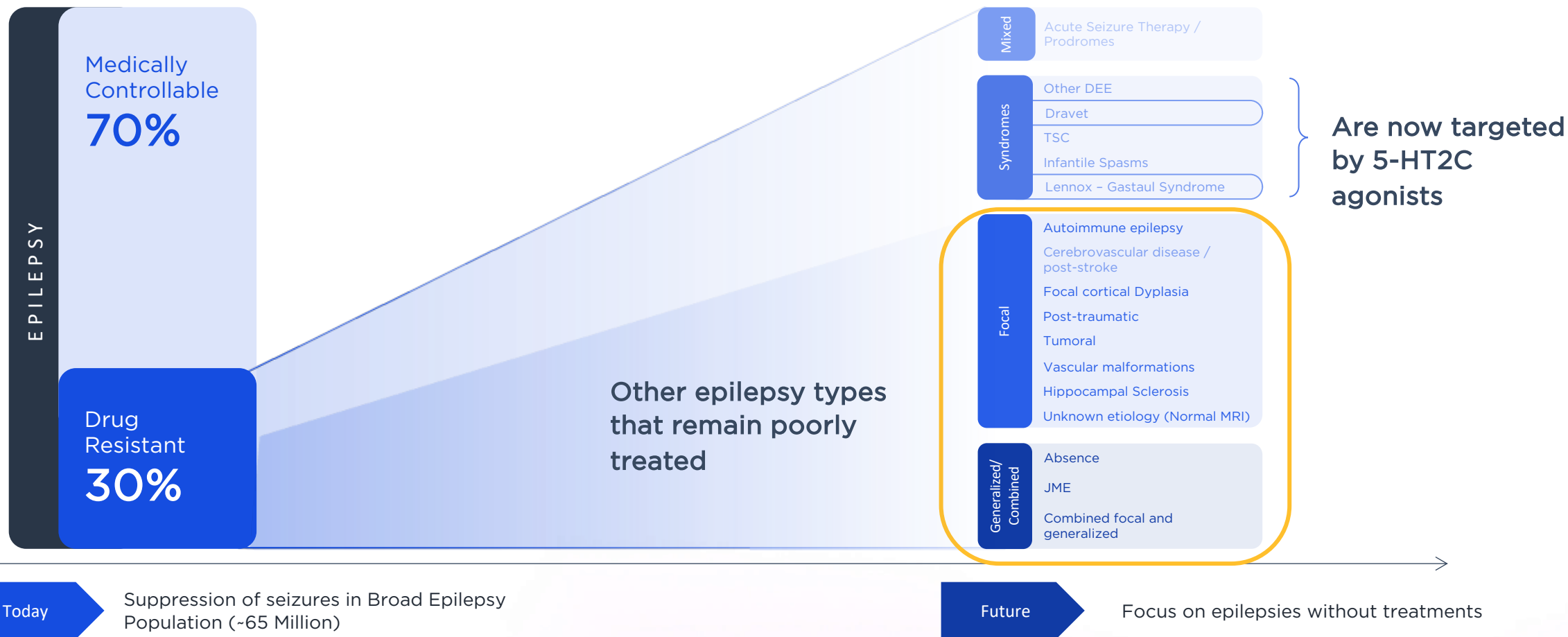
Adult
Patients

Lack of
sustained
efficacy

- Some patients spend years searching for an optimal combination of medications
- But instead, experiencing a new set of side effects with limited efficacy
- Some groups remain underserved (e.g. adult patients)

Recent drug development focus on Dravet, LGS and DEEs

High Unmet Need Beyond DEE



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Adult Patients are Underserved

Case of Fenfluramine in DEEs



Over **80%** patients will require care in adult age

Have a higher degree of drug resistance

Some have onset in childhood, but newly diagnosed

SUDEP (Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy) remains a risk in adulthood

Fenfluramine has a dose cap (due to 5-HT_{2B} activity)

Without Stiripentol	0.7 mg/kg/day 26 mg/day
With Stiripentol	0.4 mg/kg/day 17 mg/day



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Wirrell EC, Lagae L, Scheffer IE, Cross JH, Specchio N, Strzelczyk A. Practical considerations for the use of fenfluramine to manage patients with Dravet syndrome or Lennox-Gastaut syndrome in clinical practice. *Epilepsia Open*. 2024 Jul 4

Epilepsy with Eyelid Myoclonia patients have high degree of drug resistance

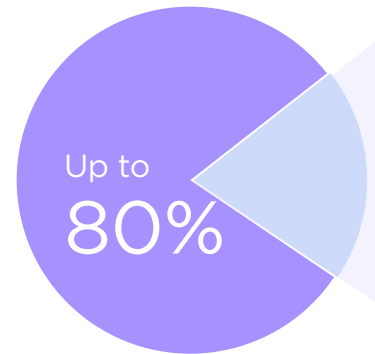
No approved drugs

Generalized epilepsy

- Photosensitive/reflex epilepsy
- Subgroup: with handwaving: "Sunflower syndrome"

~90,000 patients in the USA

- 2:1 female predominance
- 6-8 years childhood onset
- Seizures persist in adulthood



Drug-resistant epilepsy

First line:
Valproic acid, levetiracetam,
lamotrigine

Second line:
Ethosuximide, clobazam

Dietary changes (ketogenic
diet)

Avoid
Sodium channels blocking medications (except
lamotrigine). CBD even worsens seizures in EEM
patients

Need for **novel** treatments

Possible mechanism also in broader epilepsy populations

5-HT_{2C} agonism can be promising in reflex (e.g. photosensitive/EEM) and/or absence epilepsy disorders

Clinical

- ✓ Clinical data on **pathogenesis** of **these epilepsies** indicate:
 - ✓ Local hyperexcitability of the primary visual cortex
 - ✓ Impaired intra-cortical inhibition
 - ✓ Increased thalamic activity (absence)
- ✓ 5HT_{2C} agonists are effective in some photosensitive epilepsies:
 - ✓ Hypothesis: other photosensitive epilepsies could benefit?
 - ✓ **Broader treatment indications?** Multiply the market?

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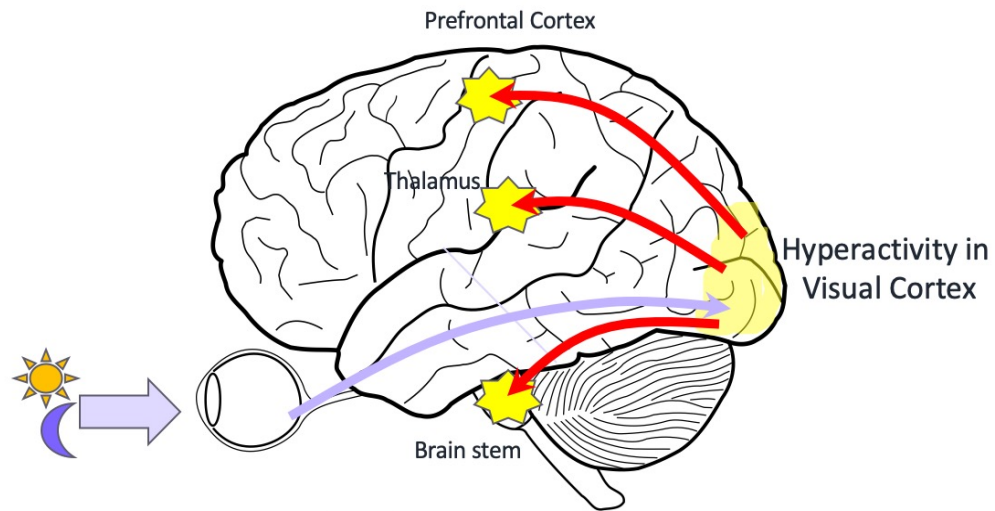
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Clinical



Pathogenesis

- In **reflex/photosensitive** epilepsy: hyperactivity in **visual cortex**
=> hypersynchronous discharges in specific areas=> propagation throughout brain
- In **absence** epilepsy: **thalamus** as origin of electric firing

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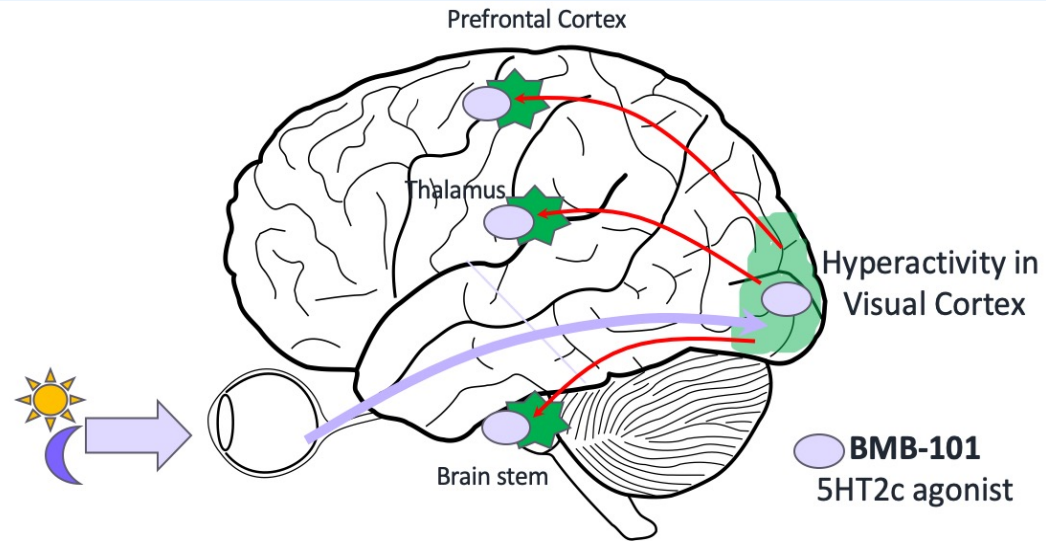
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5-HT_{2C} agonists act as a **break on hyperactivity** in

- Visual cortex => targeting source **reflex/photosensitive** epilepsy
- Thalamus => targeting source **absence** epilepsy

Targeting underlying pathogenesis = novel mechanism

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Proven mechanism also in broader epilepsy populations

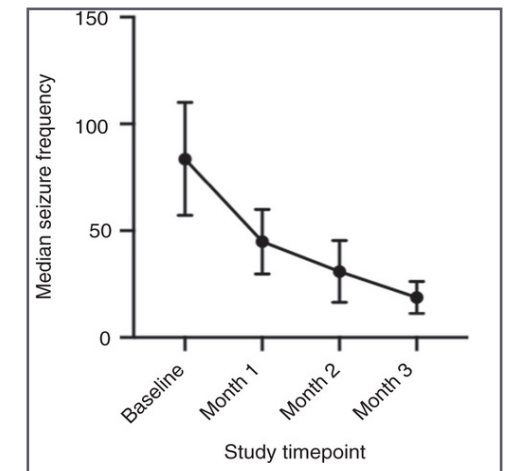
5-HT_{2C} agonists demonstrate promise in DEE and absence epilepsy disorders

Clinical

Fenfluramine

- ✓ Dravet Syndrome (DEE): Observed antiseizure effects on focal and absence seizures.
- ✓ Sunflower Syndrome (subtype EEM): seizure reduction of >70% in the first cohort

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Median hand-waving episode frequency
Fenfluramine study with Sunflower Syndrome

Preclinical

- ✓ Fenfluramine in 6Hz mice (model of drug-resistant seizures)
- ✓ Lorcaserin in GAERS (rat model of absence epilepsies)
- ✓ Fenfluramine and lorcaserin in *scn1Lab* zebrafish (model of Dravet syndrome/DEE/DRE)

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Proven mechanism also in broader epilepsy populations

BMB-101 demonstrates preclinical efficacy in DEE and DRE



Locomotor behavior



*Locomotor behavior
EEG*

Preclinical

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- ✓ in 6Hz mice (model of drug-resistant seizures)
- ✓ in *scn1Lab* zebrafish (model of Dravet syndrome/DEE/DRE)

Internal documentation (2023-2024)

Safety and tolerability demonstrated in phase 1



BMB-101 demonstrates clinical safety and tolerability by **Phase 1 Study**

Clinical

- ✓ SAD (*highest dose 2.5 mg/kg*) and MAD (*highest dose 2.14 mg/kg*)
- ✓ No SAEs observed
- ✓ All AEs were transient
- ✓ Most common side effects (*mostly solely in high dose group*)
 - ✓ Oral paresthesias (possibly formulation taste); n=8 SAD; n=3 MAD
 - ✓ Nausea; n=5 SAD; n=2 MAD
 - ✓ Sedation; n=3 SAD; n=0 MAD
- ✓ No clinically significant shifts in laboratory parameters, vital signs, or EKG

Study Details



Drug-placebo ratio
3:1



N=76
18 years and older

BMB-101

- ✓ **Effects:** at 1 mg/kg (transient prolactin increase and qEEG changes)
- ✓ **Safety:** up to 2.14 mg/kg (MAD: 150 mg/70 kg)

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BMB-101 demonstrate promise for **treatment of numerous epilepsies:**
DRE, DEE, absence and reflex (e.g. photosensitive/EEM) epilepsy disorders

Clinical

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- ✓ **Phase 1 Study** completed: safety, tolerability, proof of mechanism
- ✓ **Phase 2 Study** initiated (exploratory: DRE: Absence and EEM)
- ✓ **Future studies?**
 - ✓ Cfr. pathogenesis: other reflex/photosensitive epilepsies
 - ✓ Cfr. preclinical data: expanding to other DEEs/DRE

Preclinical

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- ✓ in 6Hz mice (rodent model of **drug-resistant** seizures)
- ✓ in *scn1Lab* zebrafish (model of **Dravet syndrome/DRE**)

Internal documentation (2023-2024)

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Novel 5-HT_{2C}
Selective Agonist

BREAKTHROUGH:
**Bridging Resistance in Epilepsy
with Advanced Therapies**

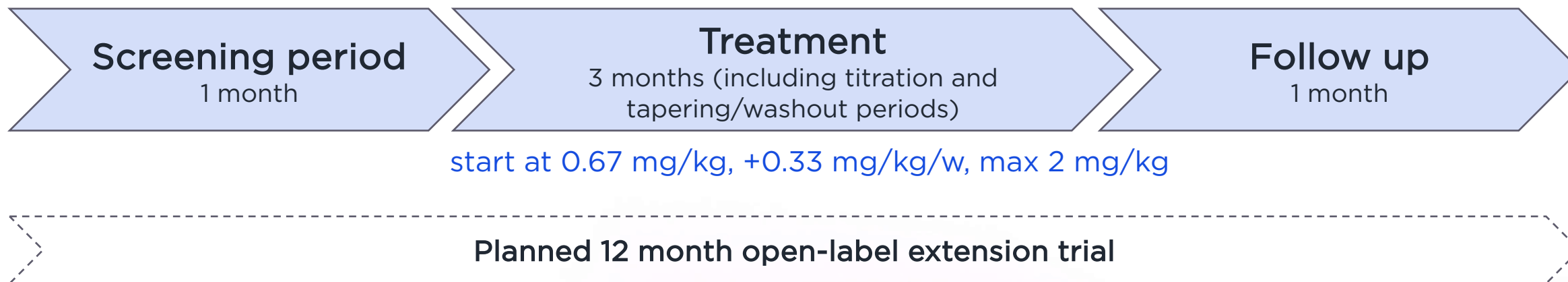
BREAKTHROUGH Trial Design



An Open-Label Phase 2 Study

To Evaluate the Efficacy, Safety and Tolerability of BMB-101 in Adults:

- Absence Epilepsy (with or without Eyelid Myoclonia (Jeavons syndrome))
- Developmental Epileptic Encephalopathy (DEE)



BREAKTHROUGH Trial Design



An Open-Label Phase 2 Study

	INCLUSION criteria	EXCLUSION criteria
	DRUG-RESISTANT - Absence Epilepsy with or without eyelid myoclonia (Jeavons Syndrome) - Developmental and Epileptic Encephalopathy (DEE)	Cardiovascular disease (e.g. valvulopathy, EKG anomalies,...) Cerebrovascular disease Degenerative neurological disease Other disease/symptoms that can negatively impact the study or pose a risk to the subject
	If Absence epilepsy: 4 or > episodes of 3-4/s SWD (3s each) in 24h EEG (baseline)	Hepatic impairment Renal impairment
	If DEE : typical EEG pattern <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 or > seizures on EEG (5s or >) in 24h EEG (baseline) 4 or > seizures (baseline) 	Participation in other clinical trial past 30 days or on an investigational medicinal product
	Tried 1 or > ASM at recommended dose/duration Stable dose current ASM for 4 or > weeks prior to baseline	Serotonergic therapies: fenfluramine, lorcaserin, SSRI,... Felbamate <1 year
	Male/female 18-65 years (Adult)	Drug or alcohol abuse

Focus on harder to treat epilepsies

Looking for higher impact



Absence Epilepsy
with or without Eyelid Myoclonia

Developmental Epileptic
Encephalopathies (**DEEs**)

✓ **Phase 2** start at 0.67 mg/kg, +0.33 mg/kg/w, max 2 mg/kg

Study Details



Multi-center



N=20

18 years and older

- **Drug-resistant** population
- **Adult** epilepsy patients have higher rate of drug resistance & often harder to treat
- Extensive use of **EEG** for patient characterization & evaluation sustained efficacy

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Absence Epilepsy with or without Eyelid Myoclonia

Developmental Epileptic Encephalopathies (DEEs)

1
Endpoint

Number of generalized spike-wave discharges (GSWD) seen on EEG

Seizure frequency based on seizure diary

Study Details



Multi-center



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Absence Epilepsy with or without Eyelid Myoclonia

Developmental Epileptic Encephalopathies (DEEs)

2 and 3
Endpoints

Seizure frequency based on
seizure diary
Quality of Life (QOLIE-31)

Number of electrographic
seizures seen on EEG
Quality of Life (QOLIE-31)

Study Details



Multi-center



N=20
18 years and older

- Safety objective: safety and tolerability
- Epilepsy is **more** than seizures (Quality of Life*)

*Chiang S, Moss R, Stern JM, Hughes I, Josephson SA, Pearce JR, Kopald BE, Patel AD, Rao VR. Development of a core outcome set for quality of life for adults with drug-resistant epilepsy: A multistakeholder Delphi consensus study. *Epilepsia*. 2023 Jan;64(1):170-183.

BREAKTHROUGH: Novel approach to use EEG as primary endpoint in Absence Epilepsy



Absence Epilepsy
with or without Eyelid Myoclonia

Developmental Epileptic
Encephalopathies (DEEs)

EEG

GSWD
(inter)ictal 3-6 Hz

E.g. DS and LGS: GSWD
E.g. LGS: ictal 1.5-2.5 Hz

Seizures



Seizure diary



EEG

- Golden standard for clinical trials: seizure diary*
- Large **uncertainty** when using **seizure diary**
 - Underreporting (not witnessed and/or patient is not aware)
 - Subtle seizures
 - Nocturnal seizures (24h EEG)
- EEG is a **better and accepted endpoint****

* Egenasi CK, Moodley AA, Steinberg WJ, Adefuye AO. Current norms and practices in using a seizure diary for managing epilepsy: A scoping review. South African Fam Pract Off J South African Acad Fam Pract Care 2022;64:e1-9. <https://doi.org/10.4102/safp.v64i1.5540>.

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 - **Subtle** seizures e.g. **absence** epilepsy
 - **Nocturnal** seizures (24h EEG): e.g. in **DEEs**
 - Dravet syndrome: predominant seizure in adults: **nocturnal TC** seizures
 - Lennox Gastaut syndrome: **nocturnal T** seizures
- EEG is (**more recently**) being used for **treatment effect***

*Dömötör J, Clemens B, Puskás S, Fekete I. Decrease of global current source density predicts successful treatment in absence and juvenile myoclonic epilepsies. Epilepsy Res 2017;133:1-5.

BMB-101: Potential for Ideal Drug



A clinical trial is designed to explore several hypotheses and inform the direction of future pivotal trials:

- Short-term & long-term efficacy of **G-protein biased** 5-HT_{2C} agonist in epilepsy patients
 - In **DEE**
 - In **Absence** epilepsies
- BID, with potential to once-a-day formulation
- Assess the effects in **adult** patients (unmet need)
- Endpoints
 - Golden standard (seizure diary)
 - "Harder" endpoint (**24h EEG; nocturnal events**)
 - "Beyond" seizures (e.g. **Quality of Life**)

Topline results expected in Q2 2025

BMB-101: Potential for Ideal Drug



Potency and Selectivity

- Very potent and selective at 5-HT_{2C} receptor
- No significant activity at other 5-HT receptors



Safety in clinical trials Phase 1

- Safe and tolerable at all tested doses
- Excellent PK/PD properties and central target engagement



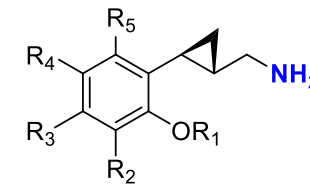
Optimized for chronic treatment

- Potential for once-a-day formulation
- Designed to have sustained efficacy without tolerance



Strong IP

- Granted patent until 2036
- Possible extension to 2041



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Novel 5-HT_{2C}

Selective Agonist

Business case

Market potential

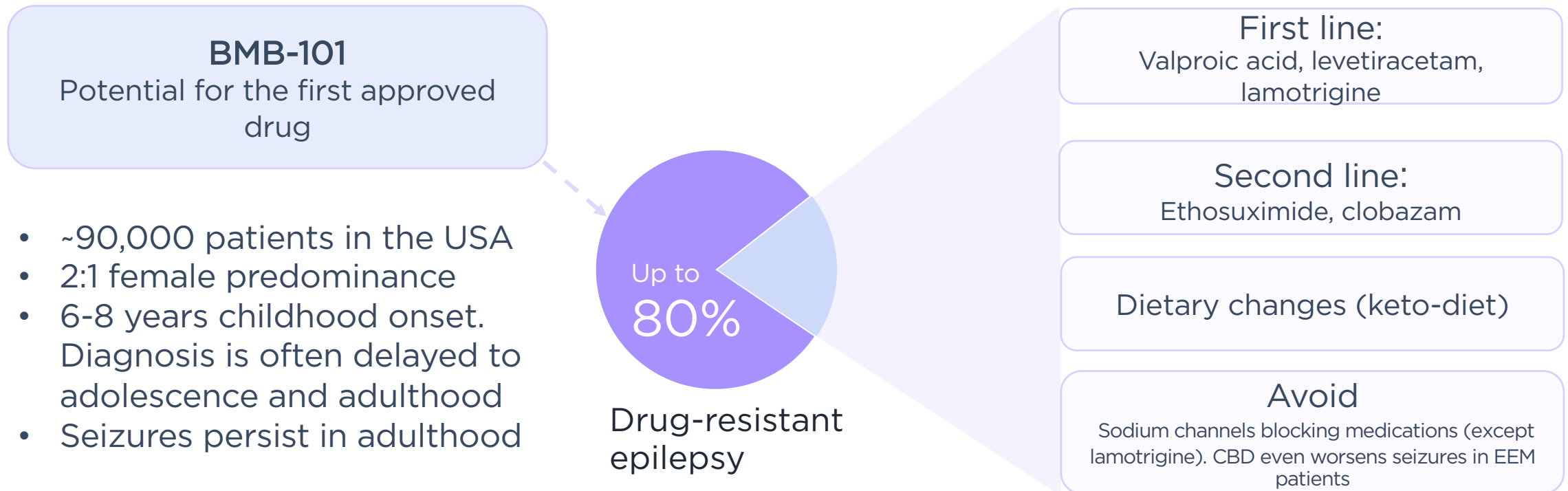
BMB-101 – Novel scaffold 5-HT_{2C} agonist



	BMB-101	Lorcaserin	Fenfluramine/ Norfenfluramine	LP352/ Bexicaserin
Lack of 5-HT _{2B} liability <i>(related to cardiac toxicity)</i>	✓	✓	x	✓
5-HT _{2C} Biased Agonism <i>(Sustained efficacy)</i>	✓	x	x	x
No 5-HT _{2A} Dose limiting effects	✓	x	x	✓
Can be Dose-optimized	✓	x	x	✓
Increased Frontal Gamma power on qEEG	✓	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported
Dosing	Once/ Twice daily	Twice daily	Twice daily	Three times daily
Development Stage	Phase 2	Phase 3	Approved	End of Phase 2
Indications	EEM/DEE → Absence Epilepsy	Dravet Syndrome	Dravet Syndrome LGS	Dravet Syndrome/LGS → Broad DEE

Epilepsy with Eyelid Myoclonia

Absence Epilepsy with high drug resistance and without approved drugs



Market potential

Projected US market

Strong IP protection until **2041***

*Including PTE extensions

Additional patent applications made to further extend market exclusivity

Jeavons->Absence epilepsy approach

EEM (Jeavons)
90 000 patients

Absence Epilepsy
230 000 patients

~\$2 Bn
Peak revenue potential

DEE approach

DEE Other <10 k patients

Broad DEE Basket
200 000 patients

~\$2 Bn
Peak revenue potential

Overcrowded drug development space

Dravet

Cannabidiol
Fenfluramine
Stiripentol
Clobazam
Topiramate
Bexicaserin
STK-001
other

LGS

Cannabidiol
Lamotrigine
Topiramate
Felbamate
Rufinamide
Fenfluramine
Bexicaserin
other

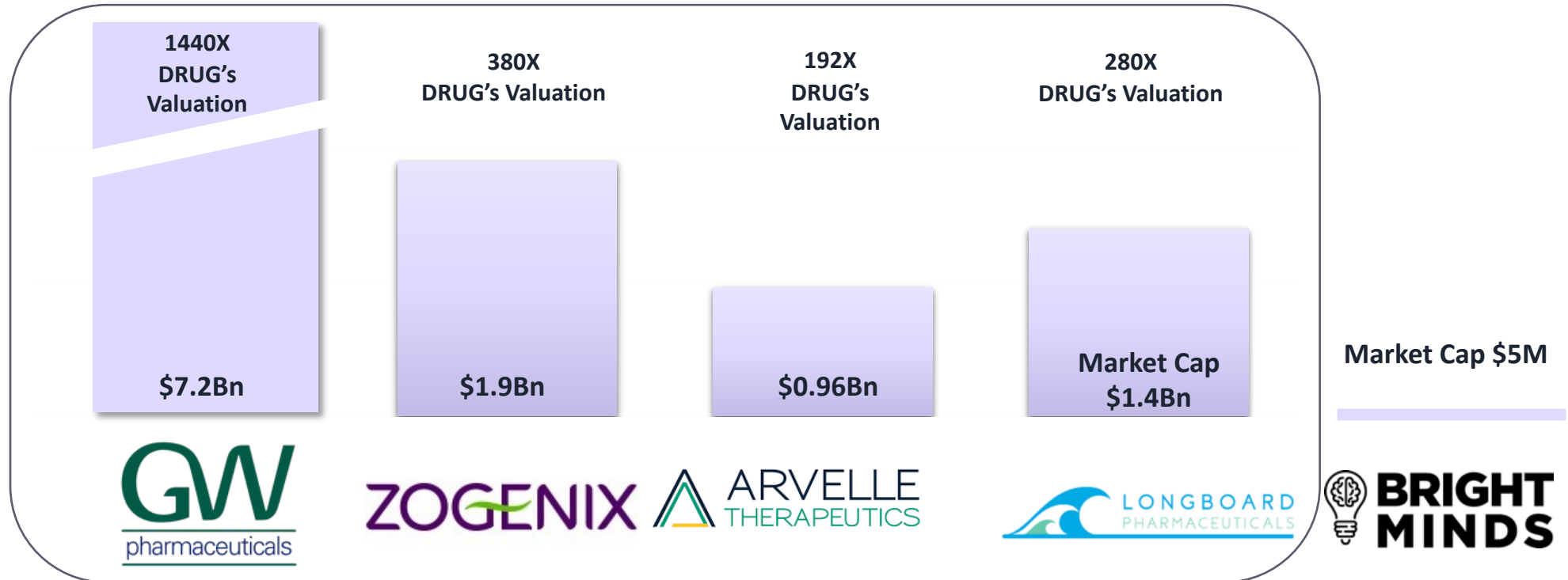
CDKL5

Ganaxolone

TSC

Epidiolex
Evirolimus
Ganaxolone

Undervalued relative to rare epilepsy peers



Transaction Value	\$7.2Bn	\$1.9Bn	\$0.96Bn	\$1.4Bn M CAP	\$5M M CAP
Indication	Epidiolex (Childhood-onset epilepsy)	Fintepla (Dravet syndrome)	Cenobamate (Focal seizures) - EU Rights	Bexicaserin DEE basket	BMB-101 Absence/DEE basket
Date of Transaction	May, 2021	March, 2022	January, 2021	Public - NASDAQ:LBPH	Public - NASDAQ:DRUG
Stage of Development	Marketed	Marketed	Marketed	End of Phase 2	Initiating Phase 2
Acquirer Name	JAZZ Pharmaceuticals	UCB	Angelini Pharma		

Biotech Companies in Rare CNS



Recent deals in 2023:

- **Karuna 14B** by **BMS** (Multiple CNS)
- **Cerevel 8.7 Bn** by **Abbvie** (Schizophrenia/Epilepsy/Parkinson's)

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Breaking through
Drug resistant epilepsies

Q&A session