



The HDL Company

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Jean-Louis DASSEUX, PhD, MBA

Founder and CEO

- More than 25 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry (Pfizer, Esperion Therapeutics, Fournier Laboratories)
- A leading world expert in lipid metabolism, atherosclerosis and cardiovascular diseases
- Inventor of more than 60 patent families relating to HDL and the treatment of cardiovascular diseases



Cyrille TUPIN, CPA

CFO

- Audit Director at Sygnatures, the largest private auditing and consulting company in Toulouse, France
- More than 7 years at PWC working on high-profile business transactions

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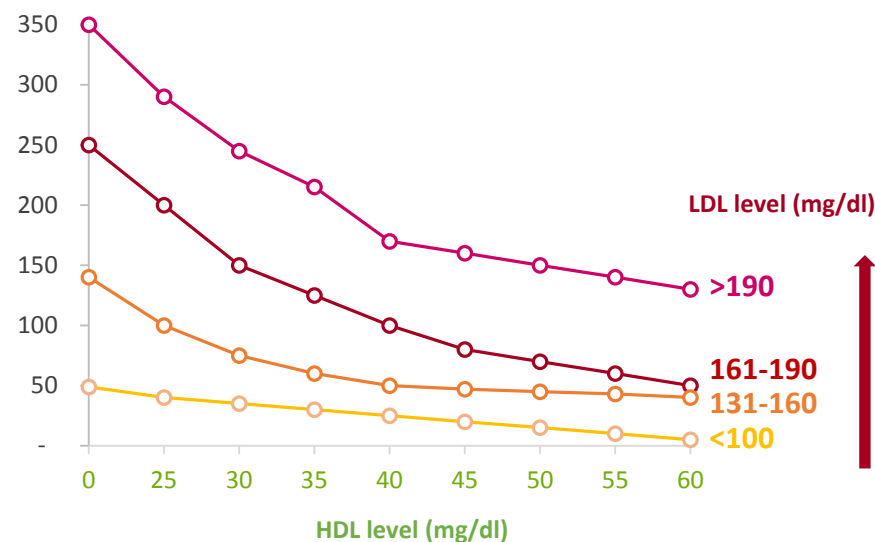
¹. Press releases,
OMTHERA: <http://www.astrazeneca.com/Media/Press-releases/Article/20130528-omthera>
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KOS: http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=newsarchive&sid=af_8tgIk4fHE

Fundamental role of HDL in removing cholesterol

- At each LDL level, it is the HDL level that determines the cardiovascular risk
- An HDL therapy that increases the number of HDL particles is one of the best approaches for treating atherosclerosis
- No HDL medical treatment that can treat or eliminate atherosclerosis is yet available

A major epidemiological study on HDL ¹

Incidence of cardiovascular events (per 1,000) over 10 years



CERENIS IS THE COMPANY THAT OFFERS ONE OF THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE INNOVATIVE HDL SOLUTIONS FOR TREATING ATHEROSCLEROSIS

1. PROCAM:
7,152 men aged 35 to 65
406 coronary events over 10 years

Leading cause of death in the world

- **1 out of 3 deaths** worldwide (source: WHO)
- The disease category with the greatest health expenditure:
 - **\$107 bn** in the United States, in 2010
 - **\$110 bn** in Europe, in 2009

A primary cause: atherosclerosis

- **Atherosclerosis: accumulation of cholesterol plaque in the arteries**

Only 1/3 of cardiovascular patents receive benefit from the best current treatments



ONLY ONE REAL SOLUTION: ELIMINATE CHOLESTEROL PLAQUE WITH CERENIS

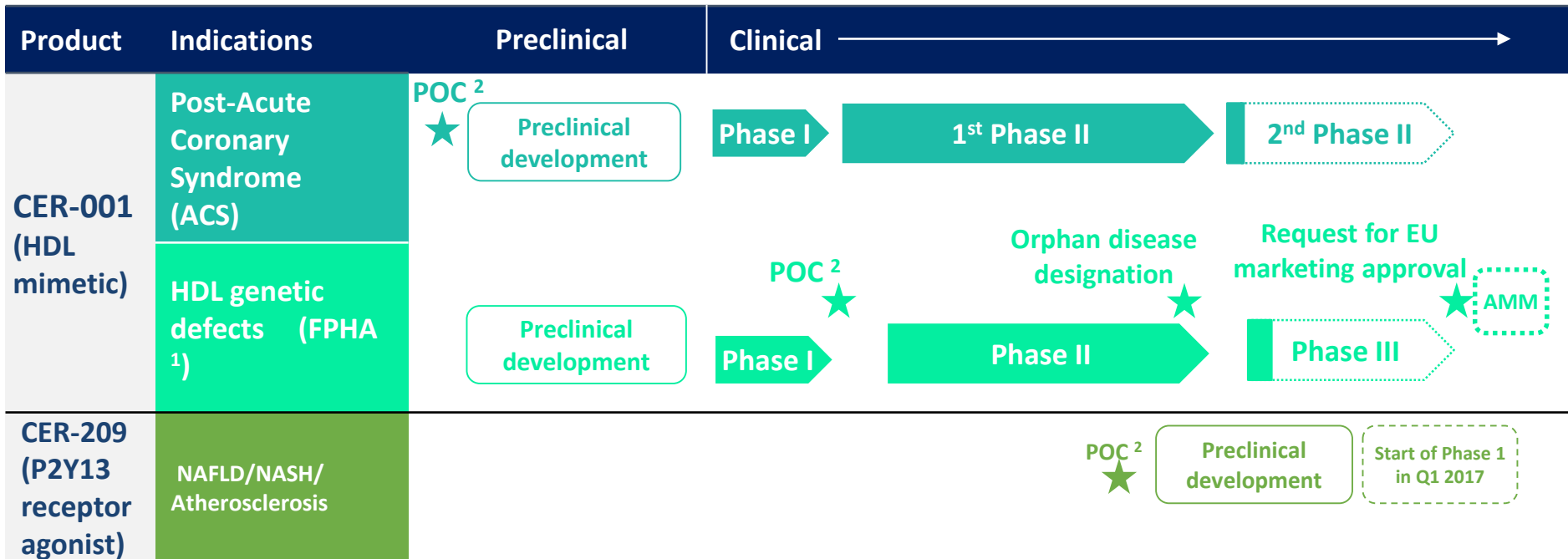
2005: creation of Cerenis

2015

2016

2017

2018



Development financed through four capital increases

€25 m in 2005

€42 m in 2006

€50 m in 2010

IPO:
€53.4 m in 2015

Investors

SOFINNOVA PARTNERS
HealthCap Daiwa TVM|Capital

AltaPartners

IRDI
Institut Régional de Développement Industriel de Midi-Pyrénées
IXO PRIVATE EQUITY

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3 TARGETED INDICATIONS: ACS, FPHA AND NAFLD/NASH/ATHEROSCLEROSIS

1. Familial Primary Hypoalphalipoproteinemia
2. Proof of Concept

LDL APPROACH: reduces bad cholesterol

No direct action on atherosclerotic plaque



AVAILABLE DRUGS:

Statins: inhibit cholesterol synthesis

Resins and Inhibitors: limit intestinal absorption of cholesterol

Fibrates: reduce the level of triglycerides containing LDL cholesterol

Indirect long-term effect with no direct action on plaque: only 1/3 of patients get benefit

HDL APPROACH: reduces plaque

Reduces atherosclerotic plaque



NO DRUGS YET AVAILABLE:

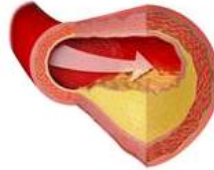
CER-001: Cerenis HDL mimetic candidate that reduces atherosclerotic plaque

Rapid direct effect: reduction in atherosclerotic plaque

LDL DRUGS HAVE A LIMITED EFFICACY ON PLAQUE REDUCTION

Cardiovascular disease

2 main indications



Acute Coronary Syndrome

2.8 million patients (US + EU)

**1/3 of patients
receive benefit**

– Stent
– LDL therapies

**2/3 of patients do
not receive benefit**

**No existing HDL
treatment**

HDL genetic defect (FPHA)

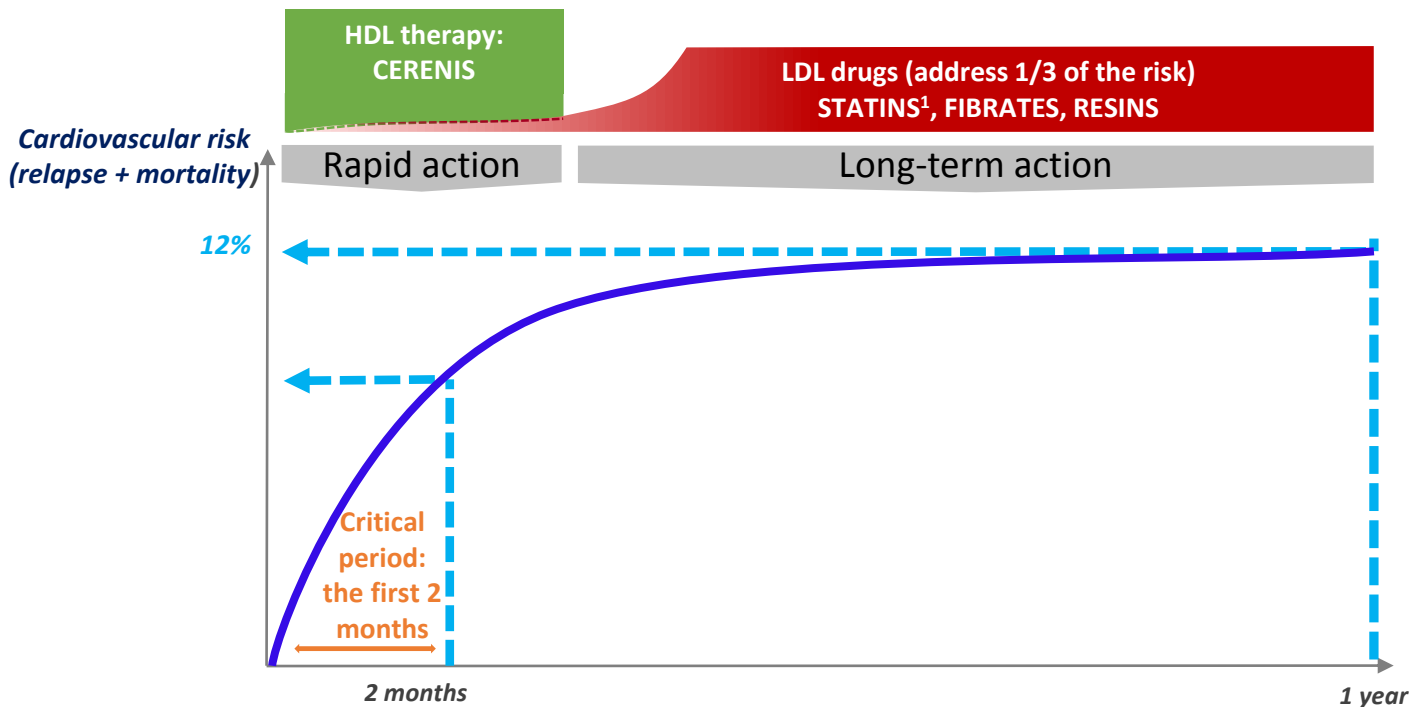
100,000 – 150,000 patients (US + EU)

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treatment**

Cerenis™
THERAPEUTICS

NO HDL DRUG IS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR ALMOST 3 MILLION PATIENTS

HDL therapy is the only solution for post-ACS



- 12% ² of patients relapse during the 12 months following an ACS, 2/3 of them during the first 2 months
- 19-26% ³ of patients over age 45 die during the 12 months that follow a cardiovascular event
- ACS hospitalization costs: \$20,000 - \$60,000 per patient per event

HDL THERAPY IS THE ONLY SOLUTION ADDRESSING THE CRITICAL 2-MONTH POST-ACS PERIOD

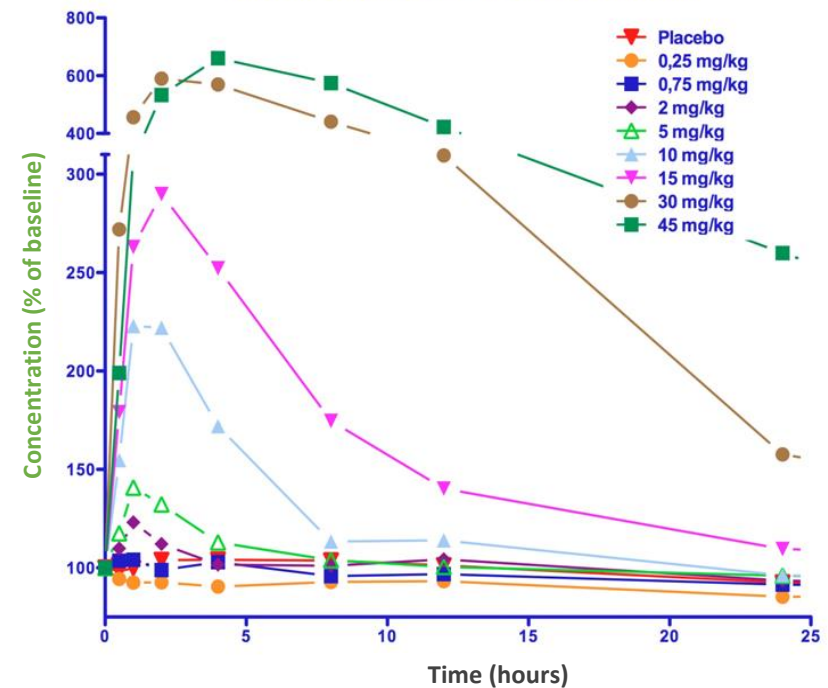
1. Vale N. et al Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews 2014, Issue 9.
2. PLATO clinical study, AstraZeneca
3. Source: AHS

Phase I showed:

Mobilization of HDL cholesterol

- Increase in HDL cholesterol: +700% for 45 mg/kg dose
- Mobilization observed beginning with the 2 mg/kg dose
- No patient safety issues

Concentration of HDL cholesterol following the infusion of CER-001



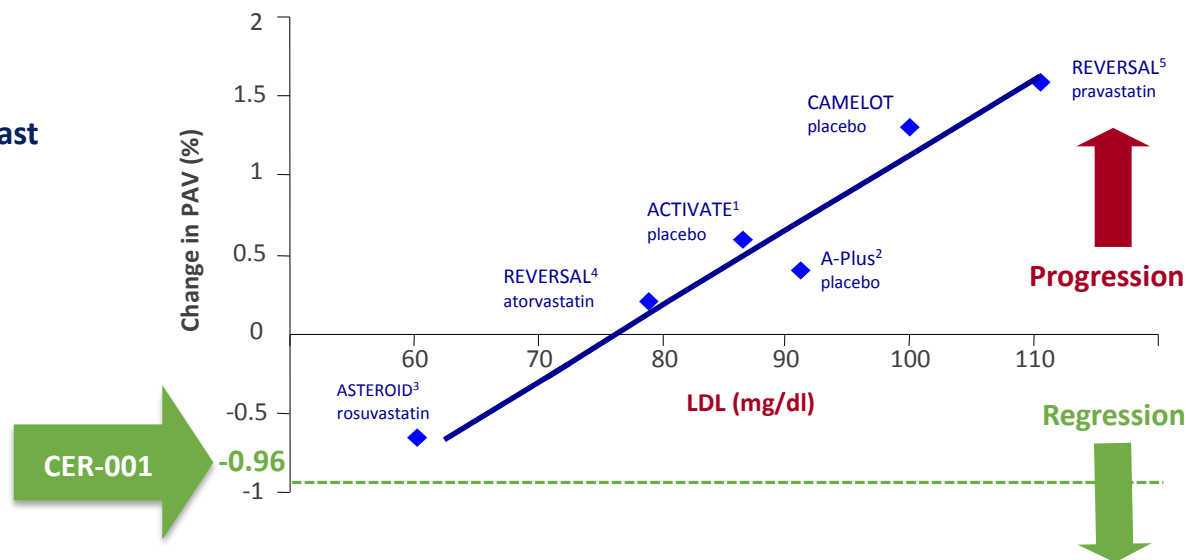
A PROVEN SAFETY PROFILE AT ALL DOSES

CHI SQUARE: Phase II post-ACS study

Effects on plaque

- Significant regression in the volume of atherosclerosis plaque, substantially better than existing treatments
- Rapid action in just 2 months vs. at least 2 years for other treatments

Change in the percentage atherosclerosis volume (PAV)



An independent analysis (SAHMRI) showed:

- A significant reduction in atherosclerotic plaque compared with the placebo

CER-001 IS THE MOST EFFICIENT OF ALL TREATMENTS

¹ Nissen S and al. *N Engl J Med* 2006;354:1253-1263. ² Tardif J and al. *Circulation* 2004;110:3372-3377.

³ Nissen S and al. *JAMA* 2006;295 (13):1556-1565 ⁴ Nissen S and al. *JAMA* 2004;292: 2217-2225.

⁵ Nissen S and al. *JAMA* 2004; 291:1071-1080

Conclusions of CHI-SQUARE, the 1st Phase II study:

- Cholesterol mobilization by CER-001 at every dose level
- Demonstrated patient safety profile
- Primary endpoint (reduction in plaque at 12 mg/kg dose vs. placebo) not achieved
- Reduction in the total volume of atherosclerosis vs. baseline was statistically significant at 3 mg/kg



An independent analysis (SAHMRI) confirmed the optimal dose² :

Change in the percentage atherosclerosis volume (PAV)

Patients with PAV ≥30 at baseline

Parameter	Placebo (n=69)	3 mg/kg (n=58)	6 mg/kg (n=78)	12 mg/kg (n=66)
PAV	-0.259	-0.963	-0.619	+0.177
P value		0.038 ¹	0.287	0.587

- Too high a concentration of HDL induces a down-regulation of ABCA1 transporter, which is necessary for cholesterol efflux. The 12 mg/kg dose caused such a down-regulation whereas 3 mg/kg did not resulting in the highest efficacy
- The optimal dose enabling a maximization of the plaque regression vs. placebo: 3 mg/kg
- Next study: number of infusions

THE OPTIMAL DOSE HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED
THE OPTIMAL NUMBER OF INFUSIONS STILL NEEDS TO BE DETERMINED

1. Statistically significant result
2. Greater regression of coronary atherosclerosis with the pre-beta high-density lipoprotein mimetic CER-001 in patients with more extensive plaque burden American Heart Association sessions 2015, S. Nicholls et al.

The publication highlights CER-001 preclinical positive results:

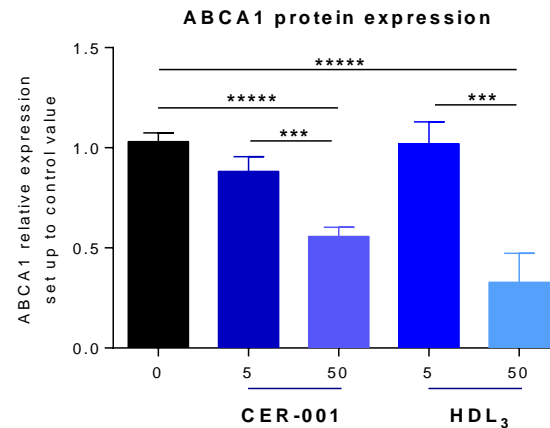
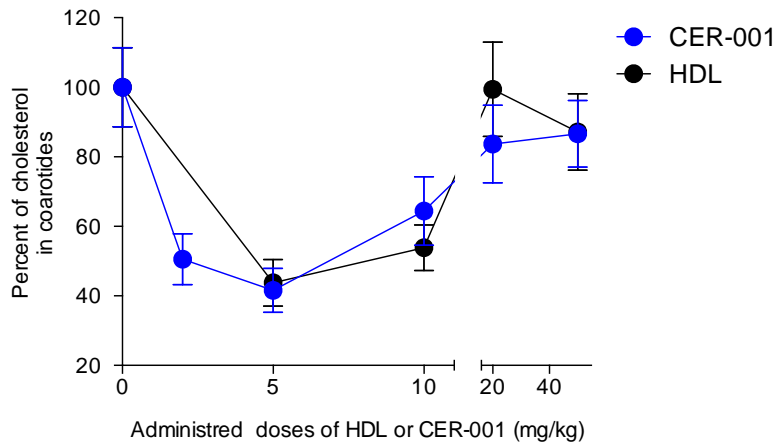
- CER-001 mimics native HDL
- Ability of CER-001 to inhibit the formation of atherosclerotic plaque with better efficacy at lower doses



Dose-response mechanism follows a U-shaped curve

- At high dose see strong down-regulation of the ABCA1 transporter, the cellular gatekeeper for eliminating excess tissue cholesterol
- Confirmation of the optimal 3mg/kg dose of the Phase II CARAT clinical trial in the post-ACS indication

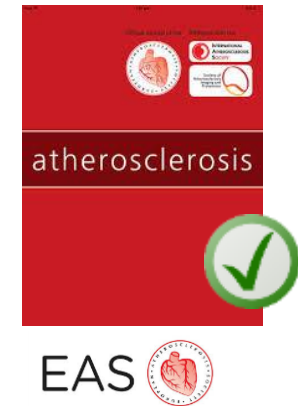
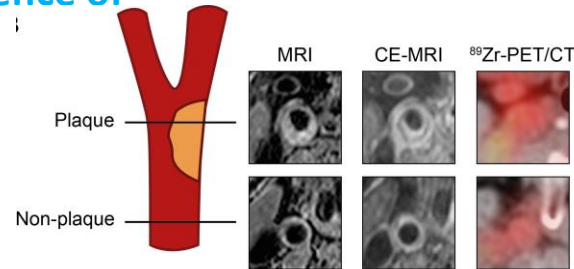
Decrease percentage of an atherosclerotic plaque within carotids ¹



CONFIRMATION OF OPTIMAL DESIGN FOR CARAT AND TANGO STUDIES

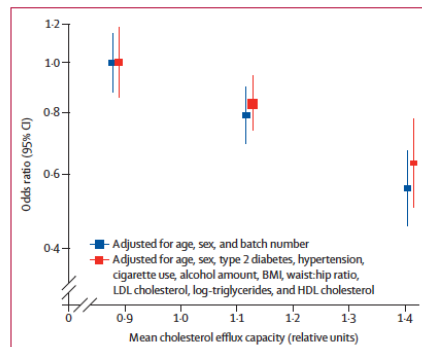
The LOCATION study provides the first evidence of

- CER-001's ability to:
 - Penetrate atherosclerotic plaques
 - Preferentially target atherosclerotic plaques
- CER-001's capacity to increase cholesterol efflux

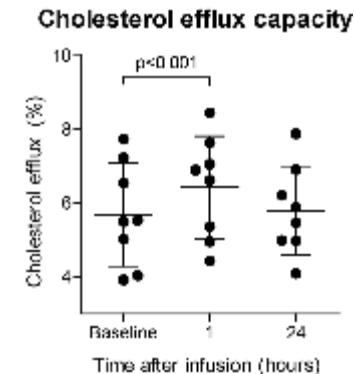


Increased cholesterol efflux capacity is a predictive marker of a reduction in cardiovascular-related morbidity and mortality :

Association between cardiovascular risk and cholesterol efflux capacity*



* Source : Lancet Diabetes Endocrinol 2015, Danish Saleheen, Robert Scott, Sundas Javad, Wei Zhao, Amrith Rodrigues, Antonino Picataggi, Daniya Lukmanova, Megan L Mucksavage, Robert Luben, Jeffery Billheimer, John J P Kastelein, S Matthijs Boekholdt, Kay-Tee Khaw, Nick Wareham, Daniel J Rader



* Source: 17th SYMPOSIUM INTERNATIONAL DE L'ATHEROSCLEROSE (IAS), 23 au 26 mai 2015 à Amsterdam, Erik Stroes et al., Academic Medical Center of Amsterdam, The Netherlands

THE LOCATION CLINICAL STUDY SUPPORTS CER-001'S PROOF OF CONCEPT

A prestigious steering committee for the CARAT trial

- Dr. John Kastelein
- Dr. Béla Merkely
- Dr. Stephen Nicholls, **Principal Investigator**
- Dr. Steven Nissen
- Dr. Kausik Ray
- Dr. Gregory Schwartz
- Dr. Stephen Worthley

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I'm particularly enthusiastic about collaborating with Cerenis Therapeutics for the future Phase II CARAT clinical study of CER-001. On the basis of our convincing analyses of the Phase II CHI-SQUARE study highlighting the efficacy of the optimal 3mg/kg dose, I'm highly confident regarding the potential success of this important clinical step to establish CER-001 as the market benchmark in HDL mimetic.”

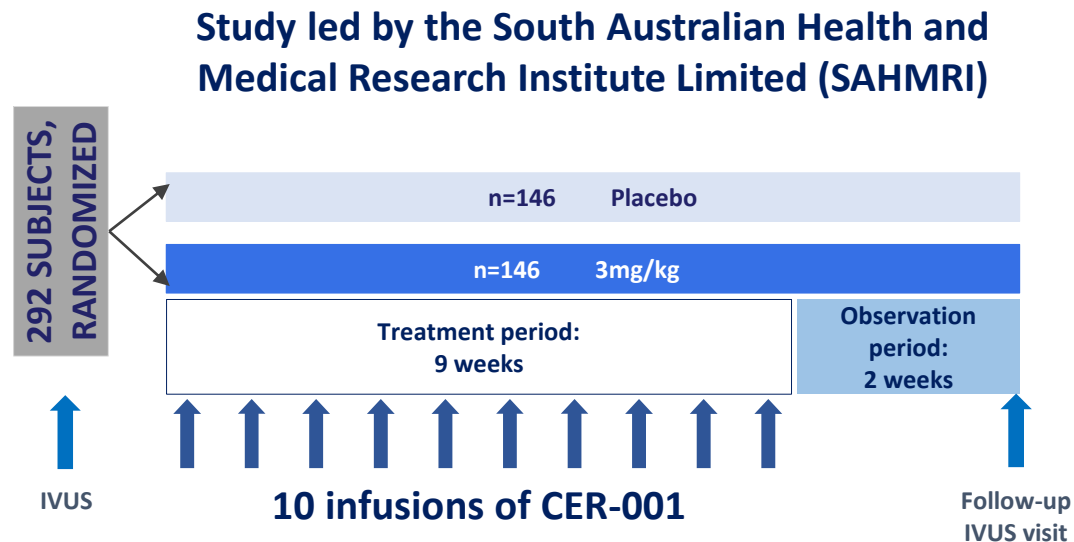
Professor Stephen Nicholls



Last Patient Dosed in CARAT Phase II Study with CER-001 in Post-Acute Coronary Syndrome Patients

The CARAT study should show:

- A significant reduction in the percentage atherosclerosis volume vs. placebo
- The superior efficacy of an increase in the number of doses



**IDENTIFICATION OF THE OPTIMAL TREATMENT AND
ENROLLMENT OF PATIENTS WITH SUBSTANTIAL ATHEROSCLEROSIS PLAQUE**

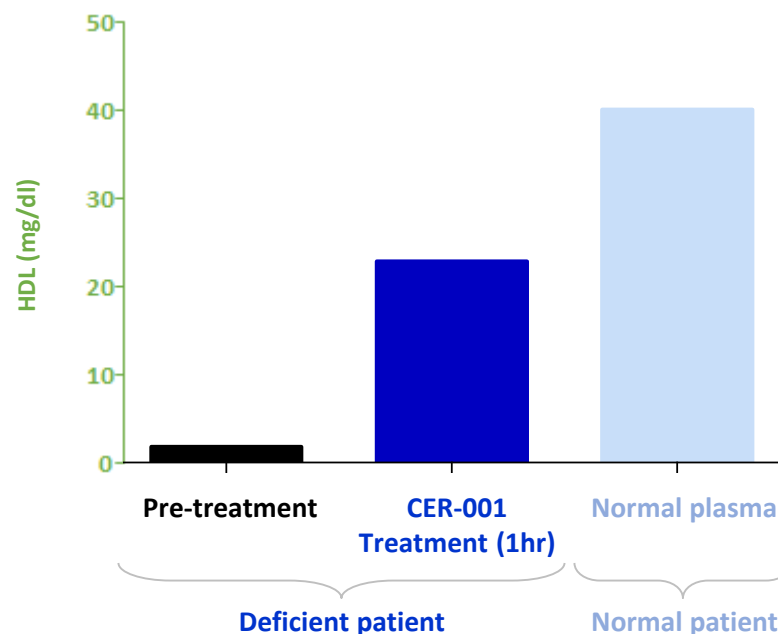
FPHA: a rare syndrome of severe HDL deficiency

- Caused by mutations in the genes responsible for HDL synthesis/maturation
- Characterized by accelerated atherosclerosis

CER-001 treatment

- CERENIS' solution restores the blood's ability to mobilize cholesterol into HDL to facilitate its elimination
- Two Orphan Drug designations obtained
 - HDL deficiency (no apoA-I synthesis)
 - Tangier disease (absence of ABCA1)

Mobilization of HDL cholesterol in the blood¹



CERENIS: A THERAPEUTIC SOLUTION TO MEET THE UNMET FPHA MEDICAL NEED

1. Company: SAMBA study

The Phase II SAMBA study:

Evaluated the efficacy of CER-001

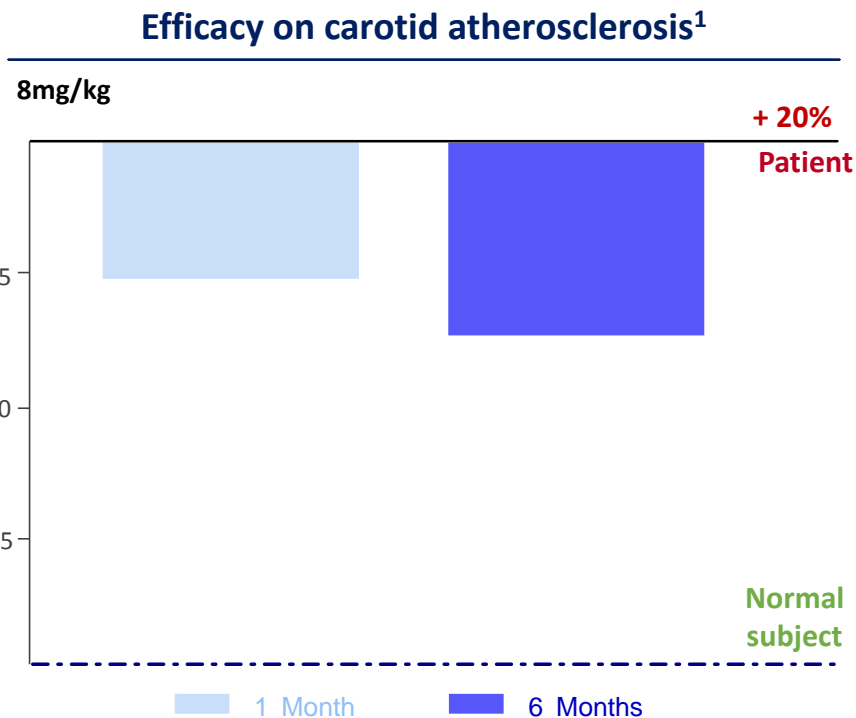
- 7 FPHA patients in an open-label, single-arm, active-treatment study for a one-month treatment of 9 doses
- Assessed the reconstitution of the endogenous reverse lipid transport pathway

Showed reduction of the vascular wall thickness

- Behaves like a natural HDL
- Eliminates cholesterol
- Reduces plaque



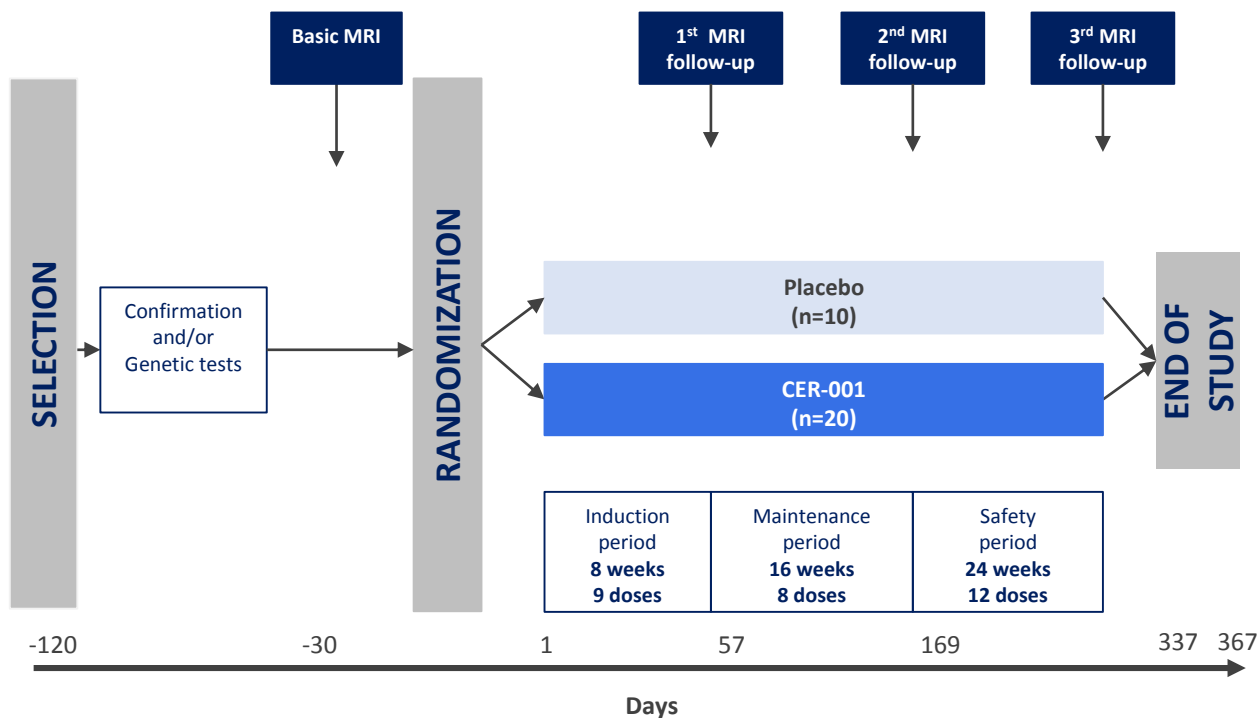
Average thickness of the carotid wall (%)



IN THE BODY, CER-001 RESULTED IN A STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION OF PLAQUE IN THE CAROTID ARTERY VESSEL WALL

The TANGO study should show:

- A reduction in coronary plaque in the carotid and aorta
- Enrollment began in December 2015



THE TARGET OBJECTIVE IS TO OBTAIN MARKETING APPROVAL IN THE TWO IDENTIFIED GENETIC DEFECTS (APOA-I DEFICIENCY / TANGIER DISEASE)

	<u>CERENIS</u>	<u>The Medicines Company</u>	<u>CSL</u>	
Product specificity	Only mimetic with the biological properties of natural HDL	Mutant protein produced in an <i>E. coli</i> bacteria	Protein extracted from plasma	
Composition of the nanoparticle	Natural HDL mimetic	Mutant form	Multiple forms of A-I apolipoprotein	
				<i>Competitive advantage of CER-001</i>
Purity	✓✓✓	✓	✗	Homogenous particle population
Mobilization of cholesterol / Efficacy	✓✓✓	✓	✓	Lower required dosage
Side effects/Toxicity	✓✓✓	✗	✗	No identified toxicity
Intellectual property	✓✓✓	✗	✗	Protection of the active principle blocking any reproduction of the nanoparticle
Composition	✓✓✓	✓	✓	Only charged-complex natural HDL mimetic
Manufacturing process	✓✓✓	✓	✓	Only 3 purification steps

CER-209, the unique first-in-class therapeutic solution to address both NASH and atherosclerosis

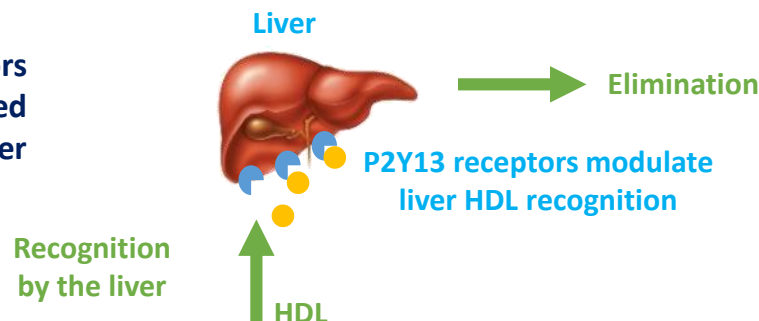
HDL therapy enables to address atherosclerosis and NAFLD/NASH

- Atherosclerosis is frequently observed in patients with NASH, thus presenting high cardiovascular risk, in addition to steatohepatitis and liver inflammation
- Current treatments based on lipid-lowering drugs attempt to reduce LDL cholesterol but they often increase liver enzymes, thereby limiting the benefits for treating NASH patients
- Other treatments currently under development for NASH, such as targeting the nuclear receptor PPAR as well as FXR agents, may face problems associated with their multiple effects

CER-209 increases HDL elimination by the liver...

- A new mechanism of action that involves the last steps of the RLT pathway
- Agonist activity of CER-209 on the liver P2Y13 receptors facilitates elimination of mature HDL particles loaded with lipids such as cholesterol, through better HDL liver recognition and increased bile secretion

...by stimulating the activity of HDL receptors

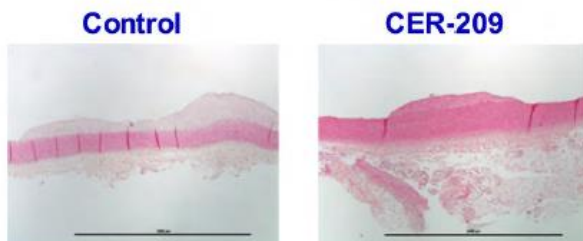
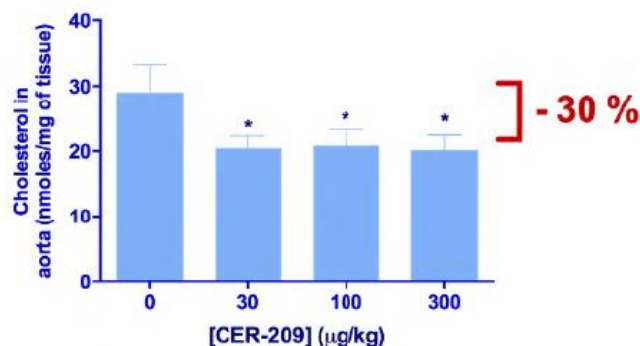


**FDA IND APPROVAL TO BEGIN PHASE 1 STUDY
WITH CER-209 IN NAFLD AND NASH IN Q1 2017
STUDY DESIGN NEARING COMPLETION**

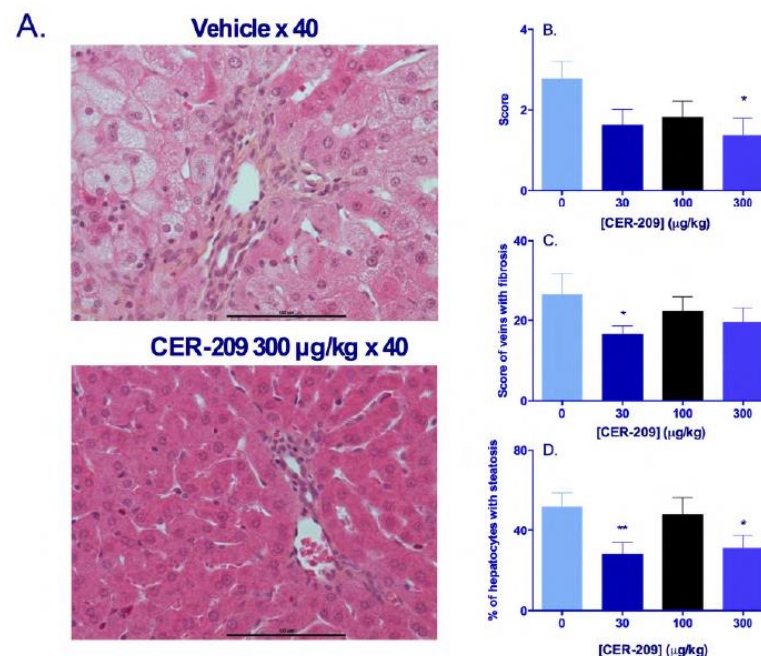


CER-209, an agonist of the P2Y₁₃, decreases both atherosclerosis and liver steatosis

Plaque regression after treatment with CER-209*



Regression of liver steatosis after high-cholesterol diet and treatment with CER-209*



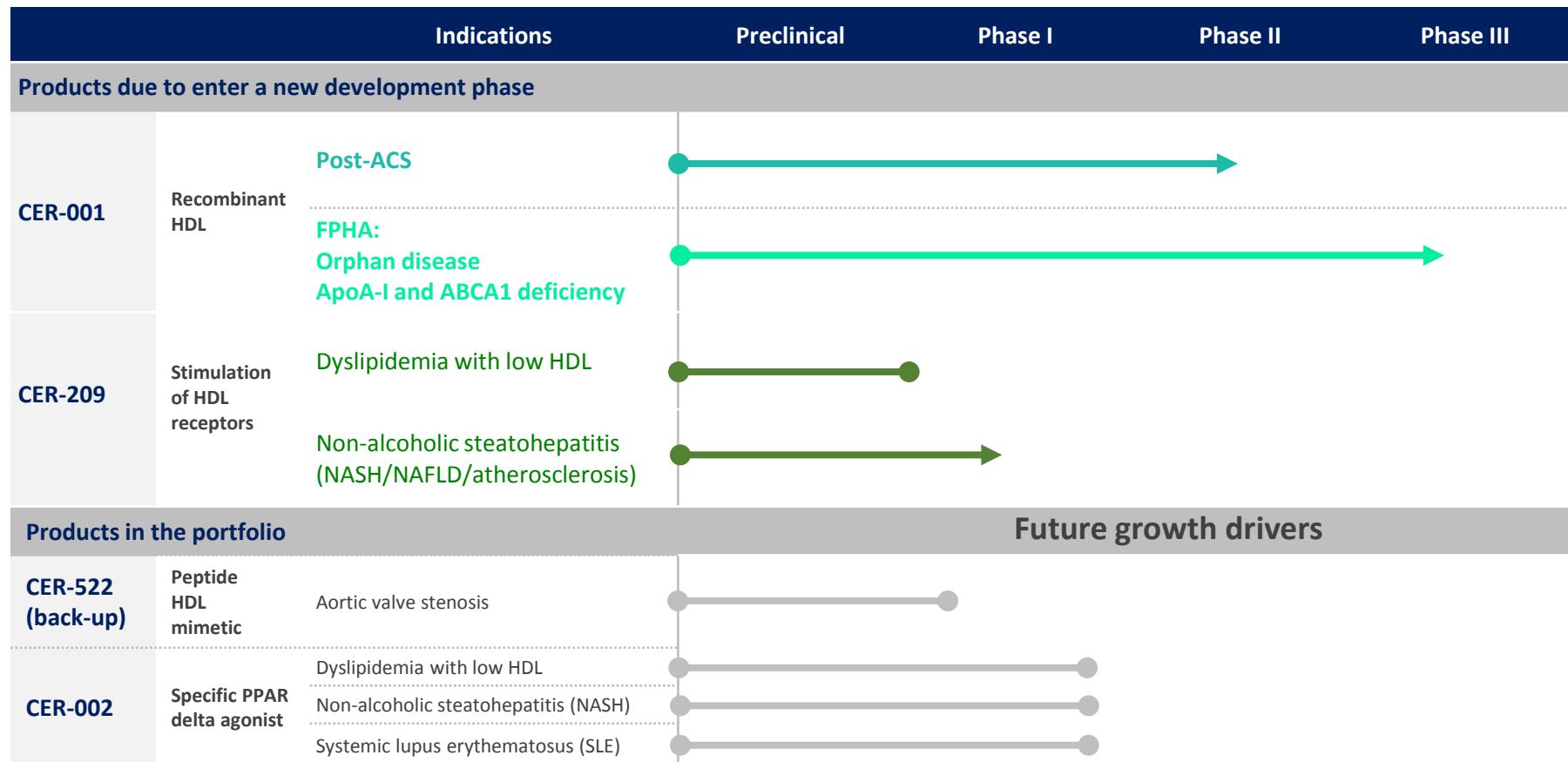
CER-209 HAS A STRONG POTENTIAL FOR THE TREATMENT OF NASH AND NAFLD

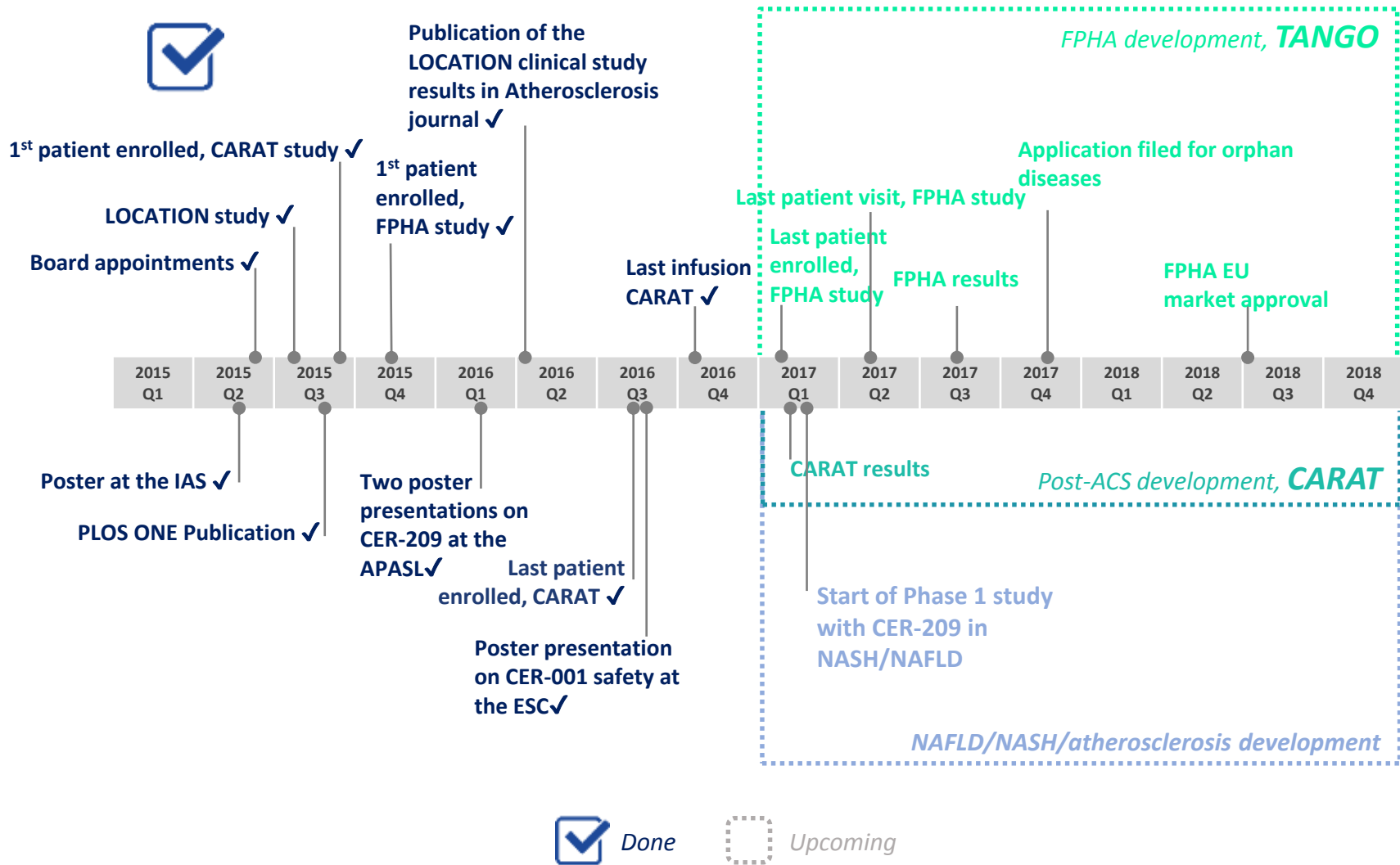
* P2Y₁₃ receptor agonist CER-209 decreases both atherosclerosis and liver steatosis in vivo: Rudi Baron, Marine Goffinet, Nadia Boubekeur, Claudine Tardy, Guy Cholez, Daniela C. Oniciu, Narendra D. Lalwani, Jean-Louis H. Dasseux and Ronald Barbaras

- 9 patent families protecting the products, indications and manufacturing / diagnostic methods

PRODUCT	INDICATION	MANUFACTURING/DIAGNOSTIC
Family 1: Formulation of CER-001 and its use		Family 2: Manufacturing methods for reconstituted HDL particles and highly-homogenous resulting populations of HDL particles
Family 6: HDL mimetic peptide including CER-522	Family 4: Treatment of dyslipidemias	Family 3: Companion diagnostics and dosage of CER-001
Family 7: P2Y13 receptor agonists (CER-209)		Family 5: Synthetic sphingomyelin synthesis / production methods
Family 8: PPAR agonists (CER-002)		Family 9: Carrier particles for administering drugs

NO COMPETITOR CAN REPRODUCE THE CHARGED NANOPARTICLE, EVEN PARTIALLY





WEALTH CREATION PERSPECTIVE IN BOTH THE NEAR AND MEDIUM TERM

Consolidated accounts (IFRS)

BALANCE SHEET	31/12/2015	30/06/2016
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€ thousands

ASSETS

Total non-current assets	446	340
Total current assets	45,661	37,152
Total assets	46,107	37,492

LIABILITIES

Total shareholders' equity	33,198	22,359
Total non-current liabilities	7,120	7,082
Total current liabilities	5,790	8,051
Total liabilities	46,107	37,492

Gross cash position of:

- €7.8 m on December 31, 2014
- €43.0 m on December 31, 2015
- €37.2 m on June 30, 2016
- €28.7 m on September 30, 2016

Of which €6.6 m is linked to Bpifrance (OSEO) advance payment

Of which €6.8 m is trade payables

INCOME STATEMENT	31/06/2015	30/06/2016
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€ thousands

Operational income	0	0
Marketing and Admin. costs	(1,064)	(3,828)
R&D costs	(5,239)	(10,213)
Operating profit / loss	(6,303)	(14,041)
Financial profit / loss	(760)	(626)
Net profit / loss	(7,062)	(14,662)

Enrollment of clinical studies: CARAT, TANGO and LOCATION

Affected by non-cash elements:
-IFRS treatment of the BPI repayable advances

* Unaudited

Simplified cash flow table

CASH FLOW TABLE	30/06/2015	30/06/2016
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€ thousands

Cash flow from operations	(6,079)	(11,018)
Cash flow from investments	(25)	(2)
Cash flow from financing	48,924	940
Change in cash position	42,820	10,079
Cash position at start of period	7,843	42,951
Currency effect	(3)	0
Cash position at end of period	50,660	32,872

• March 2015 IPO

• Cash position as of June 30, 2016

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