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### Welcome



Today we will provide a comprehensive overview of AC Immune's clinically validated Morphomer™ small molecule technology platform and our pipeline of Morphomer-derived therapeutic and diagnostic candidates

Driving progress toward precision medicine for neurodegenerative diseases

# Agenda

| Introduction                           | Joshua Drumm, PhD Head of Investor Relations                                       |
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| Strategy & Pipeline Overview           | Andrea Pfeifer, PhD Chief Executive Officer  |
| Morphomer™ Platform Introduction       | Marie Kosco-Vilbois, PhD Chief Scientific Officer                                  |
| Therapeutic CNS <sup>1</sup> Molecules | Sonia Poli, PhD<br>Life Cycle Leader   |
| PET <sup>2</sup> Imaging Agents        | Francesca Capotosti, PhD Group Leader In Vivo Pharmacology and Non-Clinical Safety |
| Conclusion and Q&A                     | Andrea Pfeifer, PhD Chief Executive Officer  |

AC Immune



# Strategy and pipeline overview

Andrea Pfeifer, PhD, Chief Executive Officer

### AC Immune investment highlights

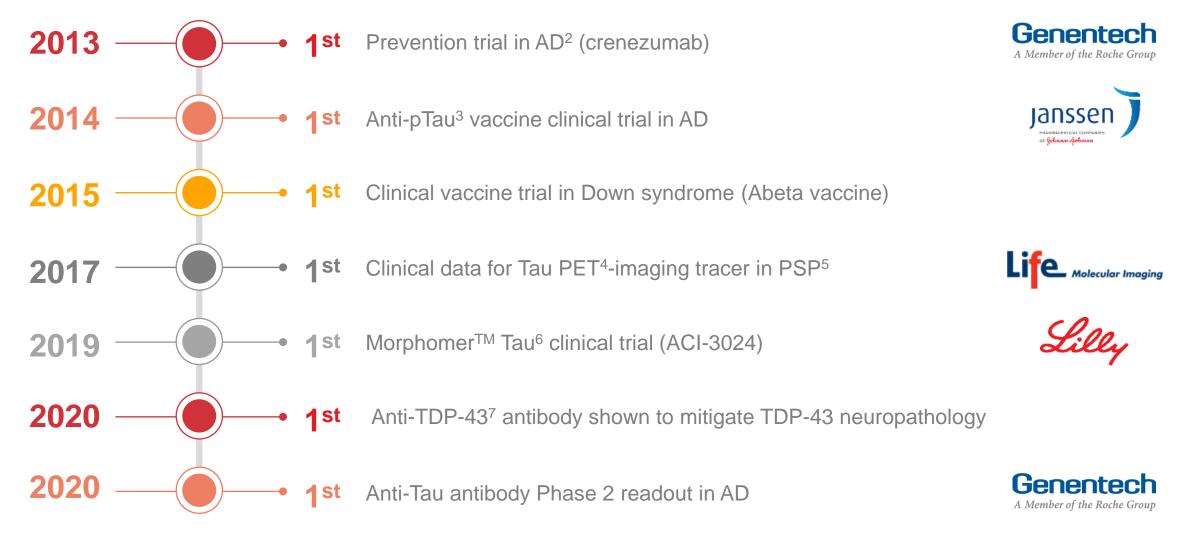
Pioneering precision medicine for neurodegenerative diseases

- Largest healthcare market
  - Diversified approach targeting traditional and novel targets; five Phase 2 candidates
  - Multiple near-term catalysts in large and orphan indications
  - Validating partnerships
    - Generated CHF 334 million to date; more than raised from investors
    - CHF 3 billion in total potential milestones plus royalties
    - Genentech<sup>1</sup>, Janssen and Eli Lilly deals and five prestigious grants validate platform technologies
  - Clinically validated SupraAntigen<sup>TM</sup> and Morphomer<sup>TM</sup> platforms
    - Fuel proprietary pipeline e.g. preclinical assets: a-syn², TDP-43³, NLRP3⁴
    - Drive value creation from existing and <u>future</u> partnerships
    - Enable precision medicine
- Precision medicine strategy
  - First- and/or best-in-class companion diagnostic products
  - Better clinical trials due to selection of defined patient populations
- CHF 225.9 million in cash funds operations through Q1 2024<sup>5</sup>
  - Multiple meaningful value inflection points
  - Continuous investment into newly validated targets

(1) A member of the Roche group; (2) Alpha-synuclein; (3) TAR DNA-binding protein 43; (4) (NOD)-like receptor protein 3; (5) As of December 31, 2020



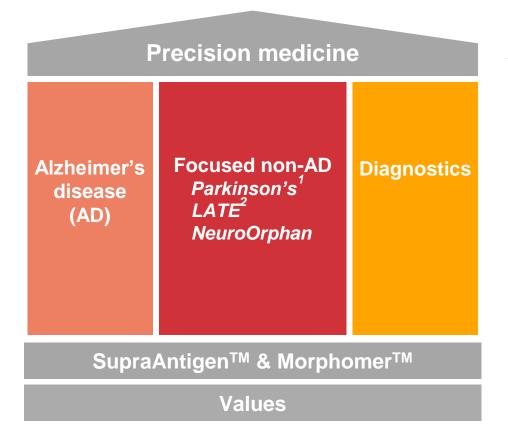
### "Firsts" reflect ACIU's leadership in NDD1



<sup>(1)</sup> Neurodegenerative diseases; (2) Alzheimer's disease; (3) Phosphorylated Tau; (4) Positron emission tomography; (5) Progressive supranuclear palsy; (6) Small molecule Tau-specific aggregation inhibitor; (7) TAR DNA binding protein-43



### Execution of our three-pillar strategy: the 2021 focus



#### Alzheimer's disease

- Accelerate development of phospho-Tau vaccine with partner Janssen
- Prioritize development of small molecule Tau aggregation inhibitor with partner Lilly

#### Non-AD and NeuroOrphans

- Advance Abeta vaccine in Down syndrome<sup>3</sup> to late stage; seek partner for AD
- Advance anti-TDP-43<sup>4</sup> mAb<sup>5</sup> in NeuroOrphan indications (ALS<sup>6</sup>, FTLD-TDP<sup>7</sup>)
- Accelerate a-syn<sup>8</sup> small molecule in Parkinson's disease
- Develop NLRP3<sup>9</sup> assets in CNS<sup>10</sup> and non-CNS indications

#### **Diagnostics for precision medicine**

- Advance differentiated diagnostic pipeline (Tau, a-syn, TDP-43) to late stage
- Early detection, improved clinical trials and marked differentiation

<sup>(1)</sup> Parkinson's disease; (2) Limbic-predominant age-related TDP-43 encephalopathy, a TDP-43-dependent dementia that affects 20%-50% of individuals >80 years old; (3) Down syndrome- related Alzheimer's disease; (4) TAR DNA-binding protein 43; (5) Monoclonal antibody; (6) Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; (7) Frontotemporal lobar degeneration with TDP-43 pathology; (8) Alpha-synuclein; (9) (NOD)-like receptor protein 3; (10) Central nervous system



### Morphomer<sup>™</sup> and SupraAntigen<sup>™</sup> platforms

An integrated approach to CNS¹-specific therapies

#### **CNS-optimized**

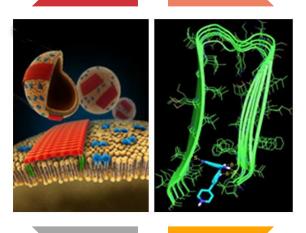
- Rapid generation of therapeutics and diagnostics for novel CNS targets
  - Small molecules with excellent BBB<sup>2</sup> passage and intracellular mechanism of action
  - Safe, T-cell-independent vaccines
  - Highly specific (low nM to pM) monoclonal antibodies

#### Conformation specific

- High selectivity for pathological forms of target proteins
- Strong safety profile

#### Clinically validated

- 2 Monoclonal antibodies
- 2 Liposomal vaccines
- 1 Small molecule
- 2 PET<sup>3</sup> tracers



#### Precision medicine enabling

- First-/best-in-class companion diagnostics
  - Earlier, more reliable diagnosis
  - Treatment according to underlying pathology
  - Prevention through early, safe intervention

<sup>(1)</sup> Central nervous system; (2) Blood-brain barrier; (3) Positron emission tomography

### Positioned for precision medicine

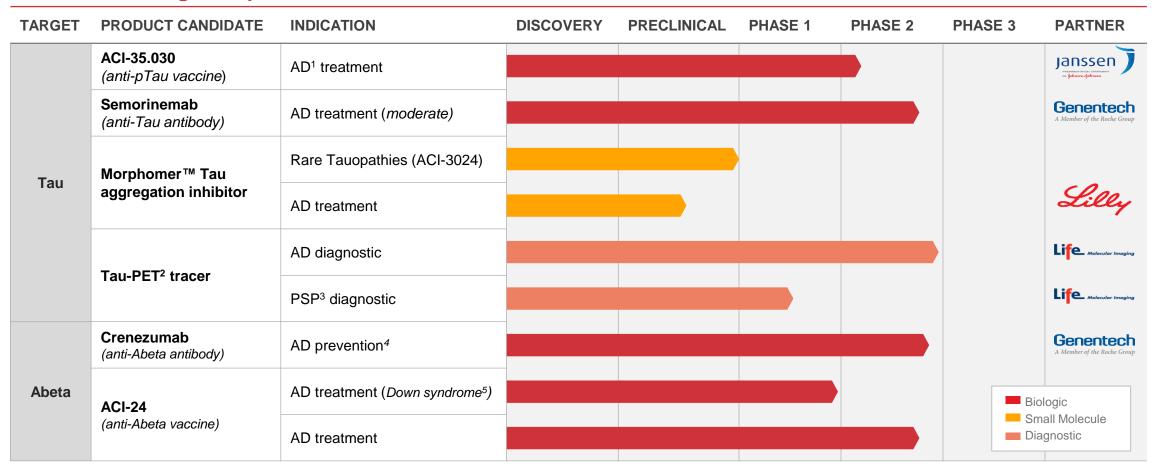
Suite of novel therapeutics and diagnostics enable differentiated approach

Clinically validated technology Therapeutic product Diagnostic product platforms fuelling future growth candidates candidates Key molecular Candidates in Collaborations with major targets addressed clinical trials pharmaceutical companies

### Broad and robust pipeline in neurodegenerative diseases

Driven by validated proprietary technology platforms for sustained growth

#### **Established Targets Pipeline**



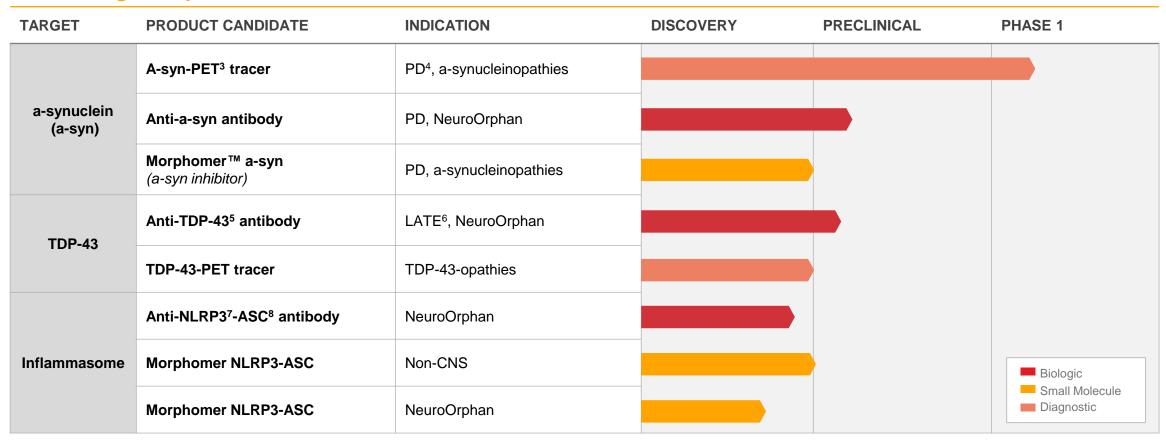
(1) Alzheimer's disease; (2) Positron emission tomography; (3) Progressive supranuclear palsy; (4) Prevention trial API-ADAD in Colombia; (5) Down syndrome-related Alzheimer's disease



### Broad and robust pipeline in neurodegenerative diseases

Diversification into non-AD<sup>1</sup> and non-CNS<sup>2</sup> diseases

#### **Novel Targets Pipeline**

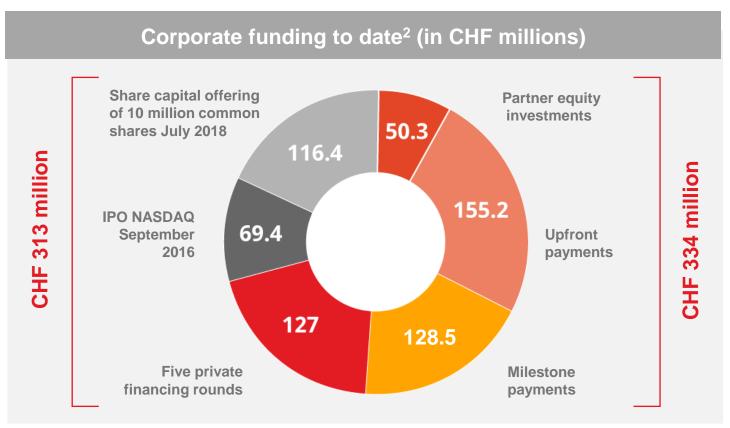


<sup>(1)</sup> Alzheimer's disease; (2) Central nervous system; (3) Positron emission tomography; (4) Parkinson's disease; (5) TAR DNA-binding protein 43; (6) Limbic-predominant age-related TDP-43 encephalopathy; (7) (NOD)-like receptor protein 3; (8) Apoptosis-associated speck-like protein containing a CARD, also PYCARD



### Substantial funds from partnerships complement equity investments





- CHF 313 million from investor funds
- CHF 334 million in partnering related funds<sup>3,4</sup>
- CHF 3 billion in total potential payments plus potential royalties outstanding

(1) Based on latest schedule 13G and 13F filings; (2) Converted to CHF based on exchange rates at times of receipt; (3) Milestone payments as of June 30, 2020; (4) With Lilly convertible loan



### Broadest anti-Tau pipeline has generated CHF 264 million in cash

| Product candidates         | Therapies and Diagnostics:            |  |                    |                        |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------|------------------------|
|                            | antibody                              | vaccine  | small molecule     | diagnostic             |
|                            |                                       | White o  |                    |                        |
| Current focus <sup>1</sup> | $AD^2$                                | AD   | AD, NeuroOrphan    | AD, PSP <sup>3</sup>   |
| Partner                    | Genentech A Member of the Roche Group | Janssen  PHARMACHINGAI COMPANIPA  OF STANCEN STANCEN | Lilly              | Life Molecular Imaging |
| Cash received              | CHF 59<br>million                     | CHF 31<br>million                                    | CHF 170<br>million | EUR 3.5<br>million     |

<sup>(1)</sup> Programs can be expanded into additional Tauopathies; (2) Alzheimer's disease; (3) Progressive supranuclear palsy

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## Spotlight on key Morphomer™ licensing deals¹

Proprietary pipeline assets carry substantial future deal value

| Therapeutic: Tau Morphomer small molecules (in millions) |                                   |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Total value  | CHF 1,860                         |  |  |
| Upfront payment  | CHF 80 + USD 50 equity investment |  |  |
| Milestones received to date                              | CHF 40                            |  |  |
| Next milestone   | CHF 60 at Phase 2 start           |  |  |
| Royalties  | Low-double digits to mid-teens    |  |  |
| Partner  | Lilly                             |  |  |

| Diagnostic: Tau PET imaging agent (in millions) |                                |  |  |
|---|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Total value (millions)                          | EUR 160                        |  |  |
| Upfront payment                                 | EUR 0.5                        |  |  |
| Milestone received to date                      | EUR 3                          |  |  |
| Royalties                                       | Mid-single digits to low teens |  |  |
| Partner   | Life Molecular Imaging         |  |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Disclosure limited due to confidentiality agreements with collaboration partners

## Substantial market & partnership opportunities for novel targets pipeline

Combination of very large and NeuroOrphan indications

| Large Indications                             |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Alzheimer's disease                           | Parkinson's disease                     | LATE <sup>5</sup>                              |  |
| Prevalence: Affects 50M globally <sup>1</sup> | Prevalence: >6.1M globally <sup>4</sup> | Prevalence: 20-50% of individuals over age 806 |  |
| Tau, NLRP3 <sup>2</sup> -ASC <sup>3</sup>     | a-synuclein, NLRP3-ASC                  | TDP-43 <sup>7</sup>                            |  |
| Partner (Tau): Lilly NLRP3-ASC: AC Immune     | Therapeutic: Diagnostic:                | Therapeutic: Diagnostic:                       |  |

| NeuroOrphan Indications   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| Progressive Supranuclear Palsy  | Multiple System<br>Atrophy               | Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis               | Frontotemporal Lobar<br>Degeneration     |
| Prevalence: ~20K in U.S.8   | Prevalence: 15-50 K in U.S. <sup>9</sup> | Prevalence: 15-30K in U.S. <sup>10,11</sup> | Prevalence: 20-30K in U.S. <sup>12</sup> |
| Tau   | a-synuclein                              | TDP-43                                      | TDP-43                                   |
| Therapeutic: with partners Partner (diagnostic): Life Molecular Imaging | Therapeutic: AC Immune Diagnostic:       | Therapeutic: Diagnostic:  AC Immune         | Therapeutic: Diagnostic:                 |

<sup>(1)</sup> The World Alzheimer Report 2019; (2) (NOD)-like receptor protein 3; (3) Apoptosis-associated speck-like protein containing a CARD, also called PYCARD (4) GBD 2016 Parkinson's Disease Collaborators *Lancet Neurology* 2018; (5) Limbic-predominant age-related TDP-43 encephalopathy; (6) Nelson et al. *Brain* 2019; (7) TAR DNA-binding protein 43; (8) National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) Progressive Supranuclear Palsy Fact Sheet; (9) NINDS Multiple System Atrophy Fact Sheet; (10) ALS Association *Rare Disease* 2013; (11) NINDS Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Fact Sheet; (12) Knopman and Roberts *J. Mol. Neurosci.* 2011



### Drivers of value creation in 2021 and beyond

Accelerate late-stage clinical development

- ACI-35.030 in Alzheimer's disease (partnered with Janssen)
- ACI-24 in Down syndrome (wholly owned)

Focus on NeuroOrphans

Accelerate development of anti-TDP-43¹ antibodies and small molecule
 Tau aggregation inhibitor candidates in NeuroOrphan indications

Expand Morphomer<sup>™</sup> Platform

- Prioritize development of small molecule portfolio, e.g. a-syn<sup>2</sup>
- Generate companion diagnostic for precision medicine

Advance neuroinflammation

- Maximize value of neuroinflammation programs
- Expand strategic focus within and beyond CNS<sup>3</sup>

Sustained financial strength

- Further enhance financial strength
- Explore regional / global partnerships in specific programs

(1) TAR DNA-binding protein 43; (2) Alpha-synuclein; (3) Central nervous system





# Morphomer<sup>™</sup> platform introduction

Marie Kosco-Vilbois, PhD, Chief Scientific Officer

### Proprietary Morphomer<sup>™</sup> technology

CNS<sup>1</sup> drug discovery and development platform



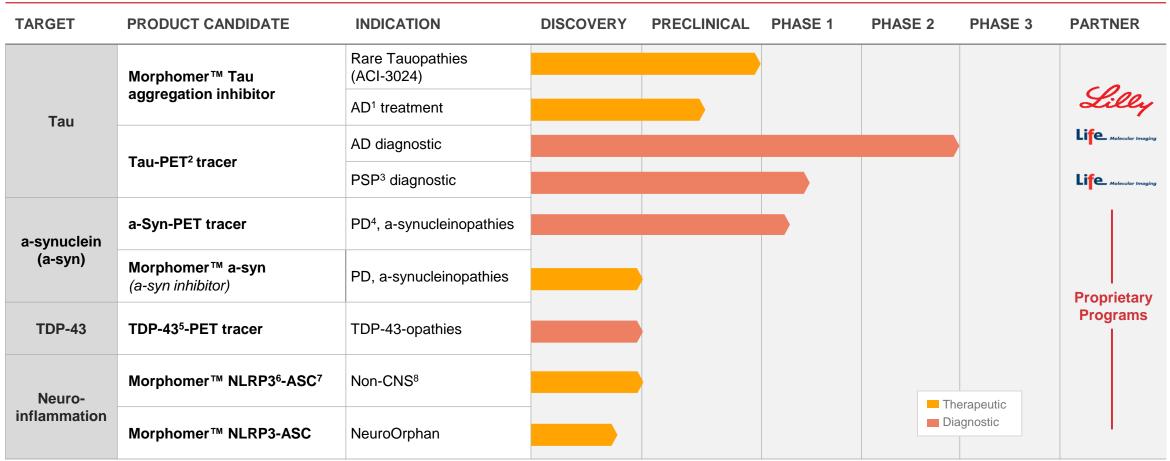
- Robust library of conformation-specific, non-peptidic small molecules with desirable CNS¹ properties constructed and continually refined and expanded over many years
- Comprehensive screening, rational design and early validation processes rapidly generate highly specific hit compounds
- Clinically validated with two diagnostic and one therapeutic candidates



### Morphomer<sup>™</sup> pipeline in neurodegenerative diseases

Enables multiple high-value therapeutic and diagnostic opportunities

#### Morphomer<sup>™</sup> programs



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### Morphomer™: Key advantages/benefits

Innovating development with first- and best-in-class candidates

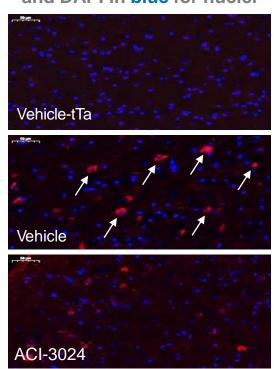
- CNS¹-optimized compounds with favorable brain penetration and pharmacokinetics
- Rationally designed, highly selective candidates bind intracellular protein aggregates
- Focused library of ~12,000 conformation-specific compounds reflecting years of research know-how
- Proprietary suite of assays to identify and validate successful compounds
  - Broadly applicable for potentially disease-modifying therapeutics and precision diagnostics

(1) Central nervous system

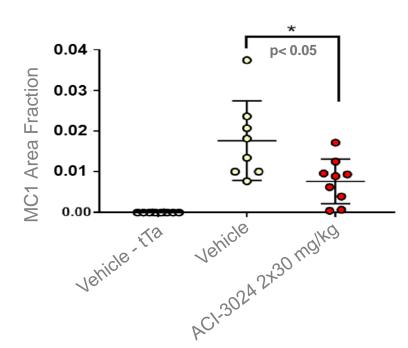
### CNS¹-optimized compounds with favorable brain penetration

Disaggregation capacity of Tau aggregation inhibitor, ACI-3024, in brains of Tg4510 mice

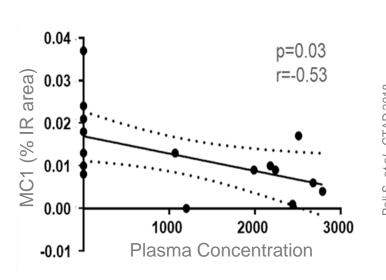
IHC<sup>2</sup> with MC1 in red for misfolded Tau and DAPI in blue for nuclei



Area of misfolded Tau levels in brain sections



MC1 area correlates with drug concentration

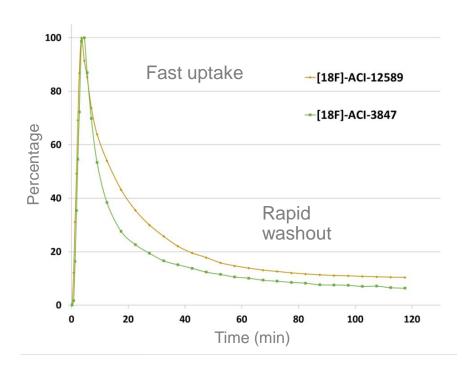


- Treatment with ACI-3024 significantly reduced misfolded Tau in the brains where the pathology is manifested
- The decrease was proportional to the plasma exposure to ACI-3024

(1) Central nervous system (2) Immunohistochemistry

# CNS¹-optimized compounds with favorable pharmacokinetics

Ideal pharmacokinetic profile for a-syn<sup>2</sup> tracers in non-human primates



|           | Brain uptake<br>(min to C <sub>max</sub> ) | Brain uptake<br>(%ID³/g) | Remaining at 120 min (% of C <sub>max</sub> ) |
|-----------|--|--------------------------|---|
| ACI-12589 | 3.5  | 4.3                      | 10  |
| ACI-3847  | 4.5  | 2.6                      | 6   |

Both candidates display a pharmacokinetic profile in non-human primates suitable for use as brain PET<sup>4</sup> tracers with good and fast brain uptake, homogeneous distribution as well as rapid and complete washout

(1) Central nervous system (2) Alpha-synuclein (3) Injected dose; (4) Positron emission tomography



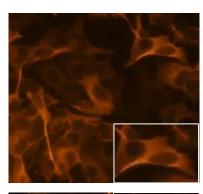
## Rationally designed candidates inhibit intracellular protein aggregates

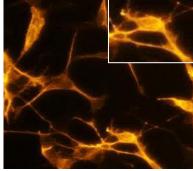
Assessing intracellular Tau misfolding in vitro using a human neuroblastoma cell line

Intracellular labeling of misfolded Tau (MC1)

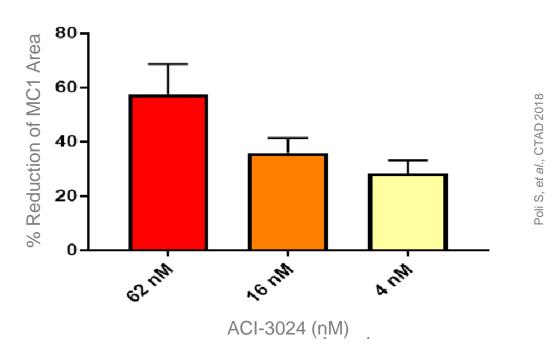
Undifferentiated cells

Differentiated
neurons expressing
Tau P301L
(retinoic acid
induced)





**Dose-dependent reduction of misfolded Tau** 

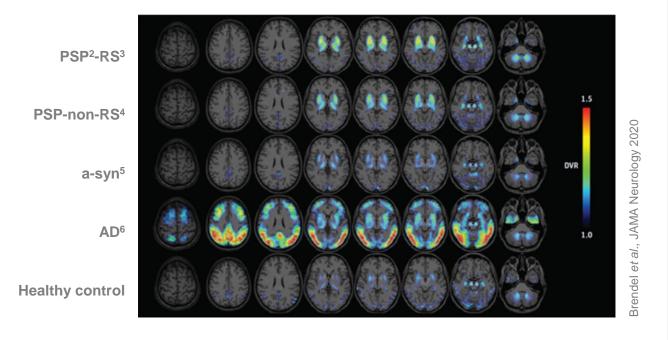


Potent intracellular effect in vitro, demonstrating dose-dependent inhibition in the generation of pathological Tau



### Rationally designed, highly selective candidates to differentiate NDDs<sup>1</sup>

#### Average distribution volume ratio (DVR)



JAMA Neurology | Original Investigation

July 7, 2020

Assessment of <sup>18</sup>F-PI-2620 as a Biomarker in Progressive Supranuclear Palsy

Matthias Brendel, MD, MHBA<sup>1</sup>; Henryk Barthel, MD, PhD<sup>2</sup>; Thilo van Eimeren, MD<sup>3,4,5</sup>; et al

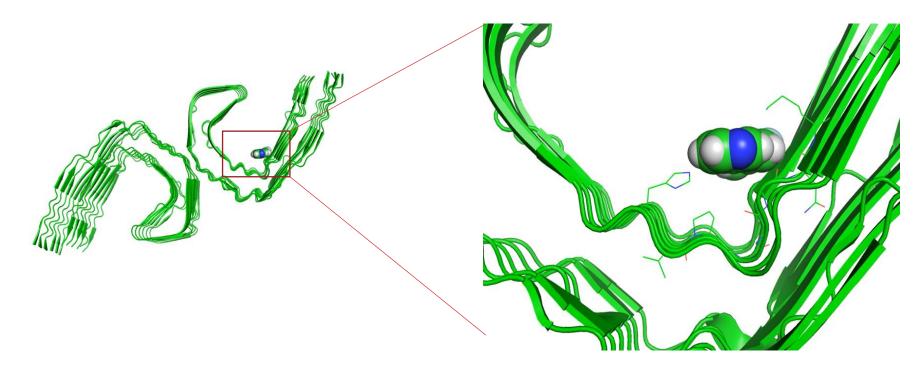
- PI-2620 PET imaging can detect and assess PSP pathology in vivo to establish an earlier and more reliable diagnosis
- Differentiation at the single patient level by semi-quantitative and visual classification (sens./spec. for PSP-RS >80%)

(1) Neurodegenerative diseases; (2) Progressive supranuclear palsy; (3) Richardson syndrome; (4) PSP non-Richardson syndrome; (5) Alpha-synucleinopathies; (6) Alzheimer's disease



### Focused library of ~12,000 conformation-specific compounds

Model illustrating the binding pocket of Morphomers™ to the beta sheets of Tau aggregates





- Initially 5000 compounds, now expanded to ~12, 000
- Consistently delivers small molecules that can be used to generate therapeutic and imaging agents for Tau, a-syn and TDP-43



# Focused library reflecting years of research know-how

In-house medicinal chemists

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Outsourced chemistry FTEs<sup>1</sup>

115

Collective years of medicinal chemistry experience

70

In-house biologists

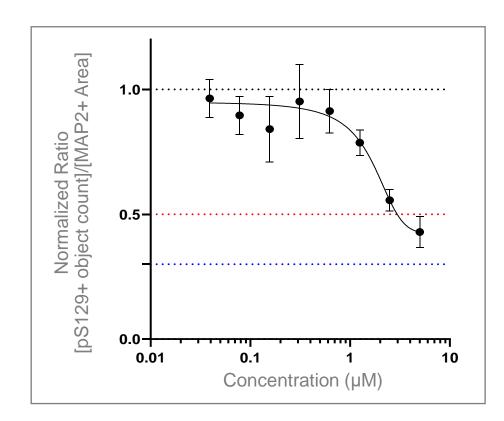
(1) Full-time equivalents

### Proprietary suite of assays to identify and validate candidates

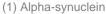
Screening for a-syn<sup>1</sup> Morphomers<sup>TM</sup> via intracellular target engagement

Morphomer<sup>TM</sup> (5μM) No treatment Rat cortical primary neurons

aSyn pS129 Neurons (MAP2) Nuclei

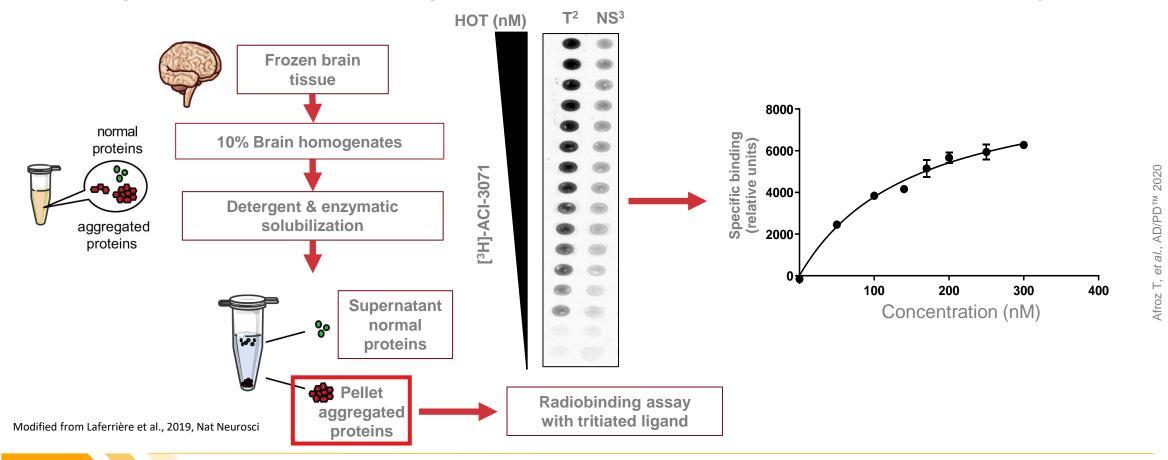


- Developed a proprietary model of a-syn aggregation using primary neurons
- Provides data to establish a candidate's capacity to prevent *de novo* aggregate formation



### Proprietary suite of assays to identify and validate candidates

Screening for TDP-43<sup>1</sup> tracers using patient-derived tissue and competitive radiobinding

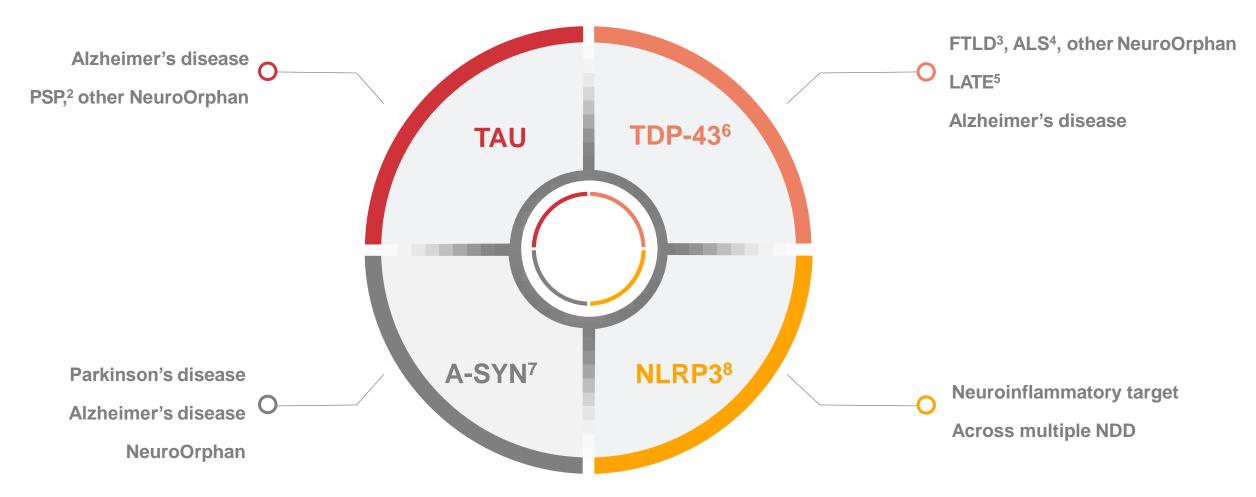


- Protocol isolates pathological TDP-43 from enriched patient-derived aggregates
- Essential to determine compound affinity for pathological aggregates in proprietary micro-radiobinding assays



### Morphomer<sup>TM</sup> candidates address key pathologies

Only company with a suite of therapeutics and diagnostics against all major targets in NDD1



<sup>(1)</sup> Neurodegenerative disease; (2) Progressive supranuclear palsy; (3) Frontotemporal lobar degeneration; (4) Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; (5) Limbic-predominant age-related TDP-43 encephalopathy; (6) TAR DNA-binding protein 43; (7) Alpha-synuclein; (8) NOD-like receptor protein 3

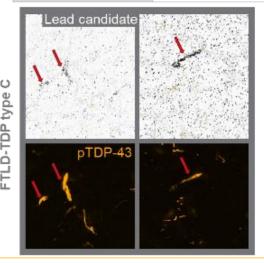


# TDP-43<sup>1</sup>: growing understanding underscores need and opportunity

No diagnostic or therapeutic intervention directly targeting TDP-43 available or in clinic

- RNA/DNA-binding protein that functions as a regulator of gene transcription and RNA metabolism
- Cytoplasmic aggregation of TDP-43 is a major pathology in Alzheimer's disease and several other NDDs<sup>2</sup>
- Strongly related to cognitive decline<sup>3</sup> and episodic memory loss<sup>4</sup>
- LATE<sup>5</sup> is a recently defined and highly prevalent TDP-43 pathology that causes age-related dementia that strongly mimics Alzheimer's disease8

|              | Indication                        | % TDP-43         |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| NouroOrphon  | Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis     | 97%6             |
| NeuroOrphan  | Frontotemporal lobar degeneration | 45% <sup>6</sup> |
| Large Market | Alzheimer's disease               | 50% <sup>7</sup> |
|              | LATE                              | 100%8            |



Target engagement by **TDP-43 PET tracer candidate**  Afroz T, *et al.*, AD/PD™ 2021

- TDP-43 is a critical primary target and co-pathology in NeuroOrphan and large CNS indications
- ACIU's first-in-class diagnostics and therapeutics are substantial value creation opportunities

(1) TAR DNA-binding protein 43; (2) Neurodegenerative diseases; (3) Wilson et al., 2013; (4) Nag et al., 2017; (5) Limbic age-related TDP-43 encephalopathy; (6) Ling et al., 2013; (7) Josephs et al., 2014; (8) Schneider AD/PD 2020

# Therapeutic potential in targeting microglia and NLRP3<sup>1</sup>-ASC<sup>2</sup> pathway

#### Reducing neuroinflammation through multiple mechanisms

#### Immune modulation shows great potential in NDD<sup>3</sup>

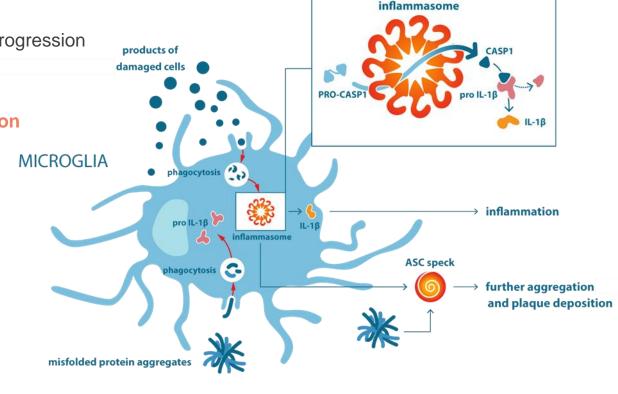
- Hyperstimulated microglia are emerging as a hallmark in NDD
- Hyperstimulation drives inflammation, neuronal death and disease progression

#### **ACIU targets the NLRP3-ASC pathway to reduce neuroinflammation**

- Maintain phagocytosis of misfolded proteins
- Decrease pro-inflammatory factors
- Do not alter diffuse mechanisms (side effects)

#### **NLRP3-ASC** pathway addressed with two approaches

- Intracellular NLRP3 activity (SMEs<sup>4</sup>)
- Extracellular ASC specks (mAbs<sup>5</sup>)

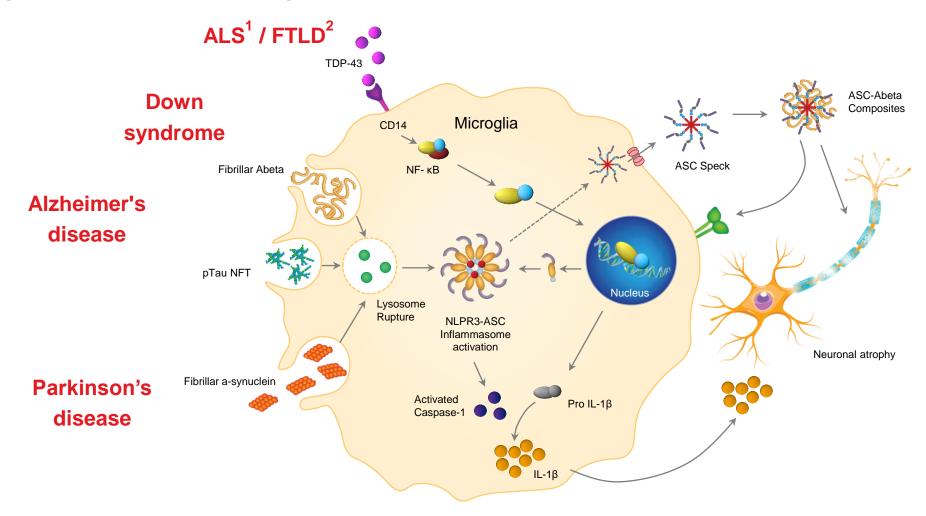


Adapted from R. Ransohoff, Nature 2017, 342, 552

(1) (NOD)-like receptor protein 3; (2) Apoptosis-associated speck-like protein containing a CARD, also called PYCARD; (3) Neurodegenerative diseases; (4) Small molecule entities; (5) Monoclonal antibodies

### Neuroinflammation exacerbates proteinopathy-driven damage

Key target for multiple neurodegenerative diseases



(1) Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; (2) Frontotemporal lobar dementia; (3) TAR DNA binding protein-43; (4) Apoptosis-associated speck-like protein containing a CARD, also called PYCARD; (5) neurofibrillary tangle



### Morphomer™: Key advantages/benefits

Accelerating early-stage development with first-/best-in-class candidates

1

CNS¹-optimized compounds with favorable brain penetration and pharmacokinetics

Able to engage target proteins in any brain compartment

2

Rationally designed, highly selective candidates bind intracellular protein aggregates

Potential for best-in-class efficacy and safety

3

Focused library of ~12,000 conformation-specific compounds reflecting years of research know-how

- Remarkable efficiency; library enriched for compounds that bind beta-sheet aggregates
- Rapid hit-to-lead optimization; process enables further expansion and optimization of library

4

Proprietary suite of assays to identify and validate successful compounds

State-of-the-art translational animal models evaluate intended mechanism of action

5

Broadly applicable for potentially disease-modifying therapeutics and precision diagnostics

- Able to engage targets intracellularly and extracellularly to disrupt key disease processes
- Able to bind targets with pharmacokinetics optimized for PET<sup>2</sup> imaging

(1) Central nervous system; (2) Positron emission tomography



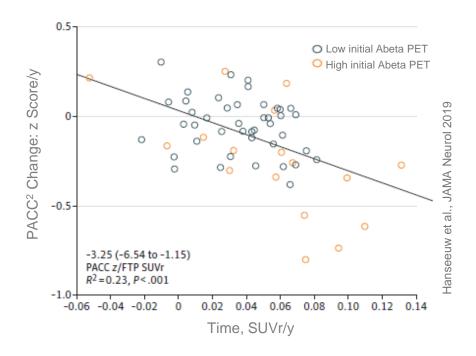
# Therapeutic Morphomer<sup>™</sup> programs

Sonia Poli, PhD, Life Cycle Leader

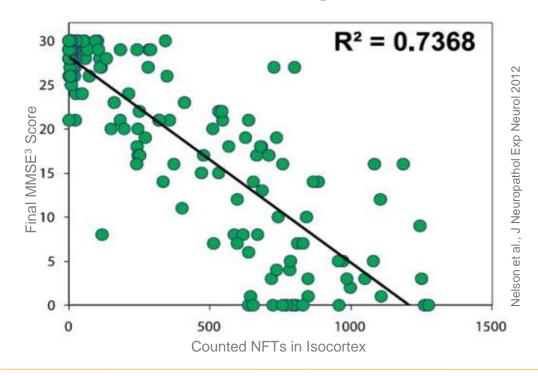
### Tau Pathology: Correlation with the rate of cognitive decline

A key driver of Alzheimer's disease pathology with wide therapeutic window

Tau PET¹ changes are closely associated with the rate of cognitive decline



Density of neurofibrillary tangles (NFTs) significantly correlates with final cognitive status



■ Tau-targeted approaches may have a much broader therapeutic window to potentially disrupt, slow or prevent disease progression at both early and advanced stages



<sup>(1)</sup> Positron emission tomography; (2) Preclinical Alzheimer cognitive composite; (3) Mini-mental state examination

# Comprehensive screening tailored to CNS¹-targeted small molecules

Proprietary library and mechanistic assays, combined with BBB<sup>2</sup> and safety assessment

Library, scaffold hopping, rational design, focused screening, 3D Multiple chemical series for risk-reduced development ligand based ADME<sup>3</sup>: solubility, permeability, Developability profile tested Inhibition of aggregation assay early in the project microsomal stability, chemical stability Disaggregation assay NeuroPK and safety CNS exposure and intracellular MoA<sup>4</sup> studies Off targets efficacy / targeting Intracellular availability **Exploratory tox** Understanding of PK/PD In vivo POC<sup>5</sup> In vivo Efficacy Projection of human doses Clinical candidate Phase 1 development

Lead candidates selected based on proteinopathy-relevant MoA and developability profile for CNS

(1) Central nervous system; (2) Blood-brain barrier; (3) Absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion; (4) Mechanism of action; (5) Proof-of-concept; (6) Clinical candidate



### Morphomer therapeutics: Discovery and validation of ACI-3024

First-in-class, conformation—specific small molecule Tau aggregation inhibitor





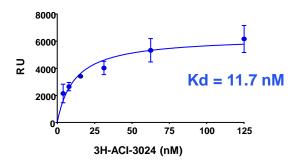


- Proprietary library screened for the Tau therapeutic program (>1000 molecules)
- More than 1000 compounds synthesized
- Broad range of technologies employed to achieve optimization (scaffold hopping, rational design, 3D-ligand base)
- ACI-3024 qualified as clinical candidate
- Eight distinct chemical series identified

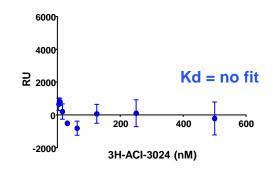
# ACI-3024 is highly selective for human pathological Tau

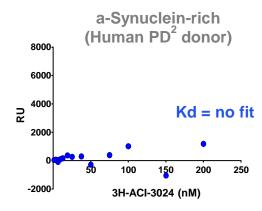
Binding specificity across patient-derived protein aggregates

Tau-rich (human AD<sup>1</sup> donor)

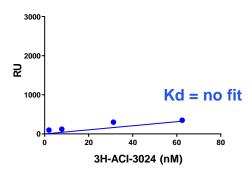


Abeta-rich (human AD donor)

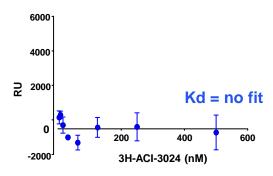




Tau monomer (recombinant)



**Healthy donor** 



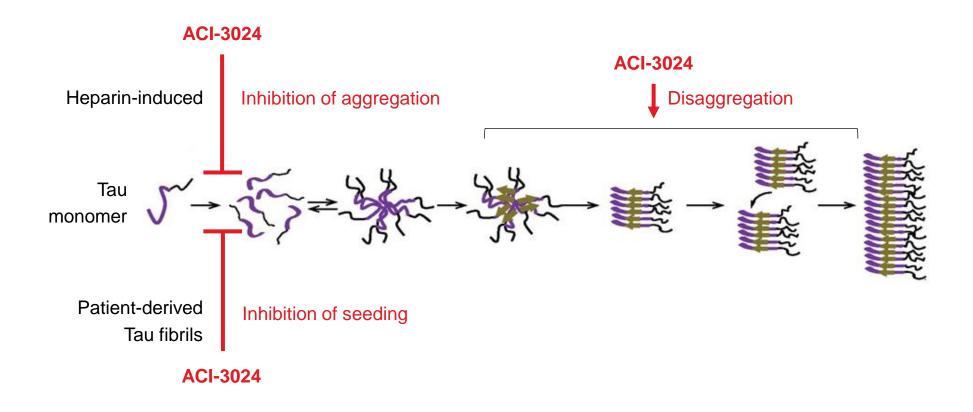
- ACI-3024 is highly selective for Tau over Abeta and a-synuclein
- ACI-3024 does not bind to non-pathological Tau monomer

(1) Alzheimer's disease; (2) Parkinson's disease

# Adapted from Pavlova et al, 2016

### Characterizing the anti-Tau mechanism of action

Proprietary Tau seeding and aggregation assay



Successfully established series of assays to investigate Morphomer™ Tau aggregation inhibitor in vitro efficacy

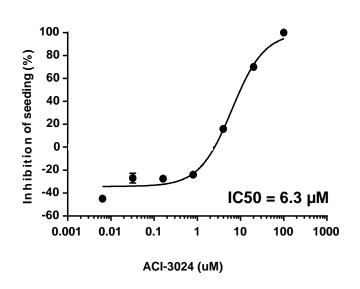


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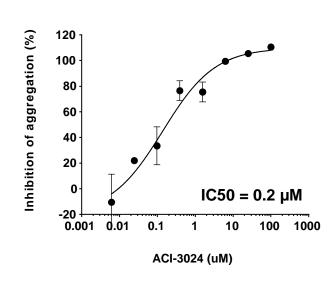
### ACI-3024 shows broad in vitro activity against Tau aggregation

Multiple points of intervention

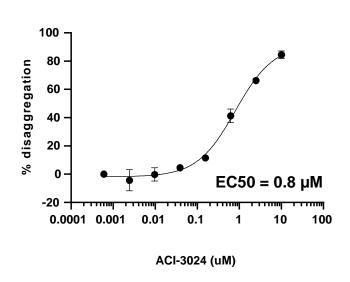
### Inhibition of seeding



### Inhibition of aggregation



### Tau disaggregation



ACI-3024 inhibits Tau seeding, Tau aggregation, and promotes Tau disaggregation



### Binding induces conformational change in Tau

R3

R4

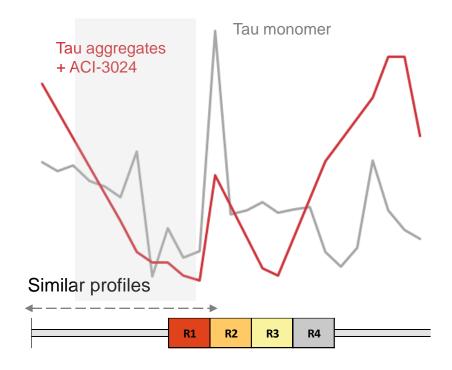
Tau aggregates treated with ACI-3024 return to monomer-like conformation

### Tau aggregates +/- ACI-3024

# Region of major changes

Tau aggregates

### ACI-3024 induced changes vs. monomer

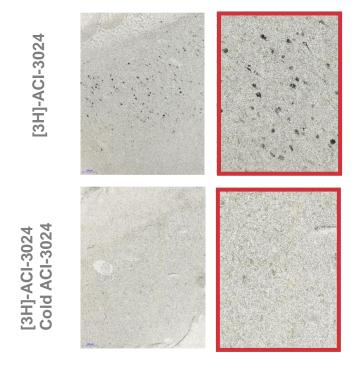


- ACI-3024 induces profound changes within the microtubule binding domain
- Tau aggregates exposed to ACI-3024 change conformation from pathological to monomer like

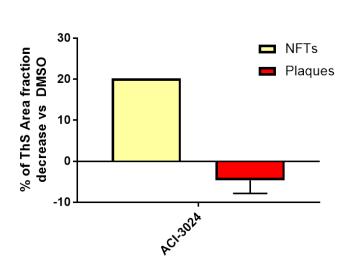
(1) Hydrogen/deuterium exchange

# Physiological target engagement and activity in AD¹-derived samples

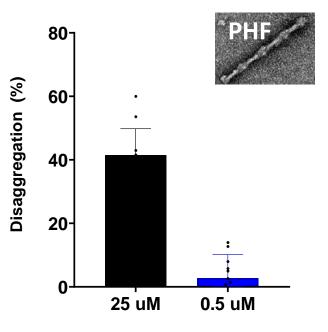
Target engagement by high resolution autoradiography



Ex vivo disaggregation of Tau NFT<sup>2</sup> on human AD brain sections



Disaggregation of human AD brain- derived PHF<sup>3</sup>

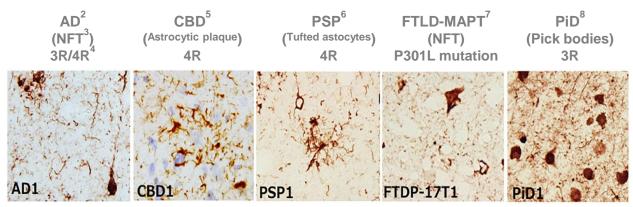


- ACI-3024 specifically binds and disaggregates Tau NFTs from human AD brains, even in the presence of Abeta
- ACI-3024 disaggregates human AD brain-derived PHF

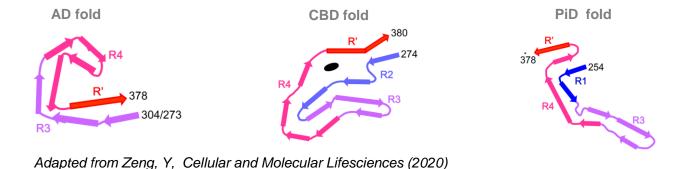
(1) Alzheimer's disease; (2) Neurofibrillary tangles; (3) Paired helical filament Tau

### Future potential as therapeutic agents across Tauopathies

In vitro evaluation of Tau morphomer MoA<sup>1</sup> to support further development in rare Tauopathies



Adapted from Kametani - Frontiers in Neurosci (2020)



Disaggregation of Tau isoforms and mutants by ACI-3024

| Tau isoforms | EC <sub>50</sub> (μΜ) |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| 4R2N         | 2.6                   |
| 4R1N         | 3.3                   |
| 4R0N         | 2.6                   |
| 3R2N         | 1.9                   |
| 3R1N         | 3.1                   |
| 3R0N         | 3.5                   |

| Tau mutants | EC <sub>50</sub> (μM) |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| V248L       | 2.5                   |
| G272V       | 5.9                   |
| P301L       | 4.2                   |
| R406W       | 10.7                  |

- Different Tauopathies present different Tau aggregates
- ACI-3024 can equally disaggregate 3R and 4R Tau isoforms as well as Tau mutants relevant for rare Tauopathies

(1) Mechanism of action; (2) Alzheimer's disease; (3) Neurofibrillary tangles; (4) 3-repeat / 4-repeat; (5) Corticobasal degeneration; (6) Progressive supranuclear palsy; (7) Frontotemporal lobar degeneration caused by a MAPT gene mutation; (8) Pick's disease



# Highly potent reduction of intracellular pathological Tau

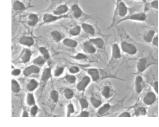
Dose-dependent reduction of misfolded Tau in FLTD-Tau<sup>1</sup> brain cells

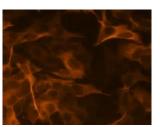


Bright field

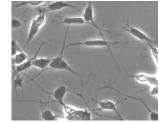
Misfolded Tau (MC-1)

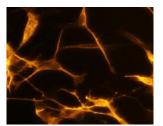
Undifferentiated cells



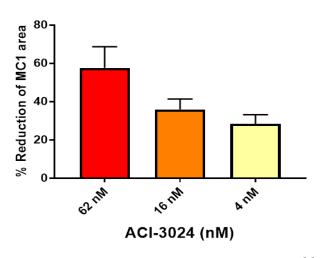


Retinoic acid differentiated cells





**Dose-dependent reduction of pathological Tau** 



Mean + SEM

In vitro treatment with ACI-3024 led to a dose-dependent decrease of misfolded Tau at low nM concentrations

(1) Brain cells overexpressing Tau with P301L mutation

# ACI-3024 has positive effect on Tau-induced neurodegeneration

Detoxification of Tau promotes neuronal health in vitro

### Reduced Tau-induced neurodegeneration after seeding with human AD-brain derived Tau

AD-brain derived seeds

ACI-3024

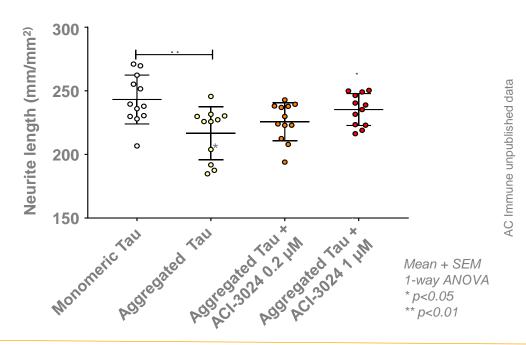
Monomeric Tau

AGI-3024

Aggregated Tau

Neurons affected by Tau pathology

Neurodegeneration assessed by neurite length Rat primary neuron microglia co-cultures



Detoxification of Tau aggregates with ACI-3024 significantly decreased Tau-induced neurodegeneration

(1) Full-length Tau aggregated with 1/200 PHF seeds for 3 days; pre-incubated in presence of compounds for 1h and then incubated with cells for 3 days



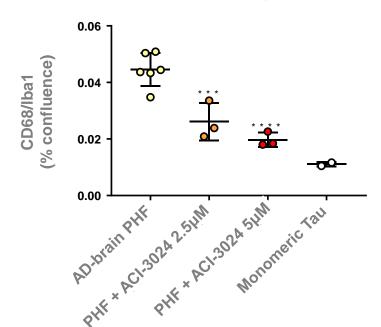
# ACI-3024 significantly reduces Tau-induced neuroinflammation



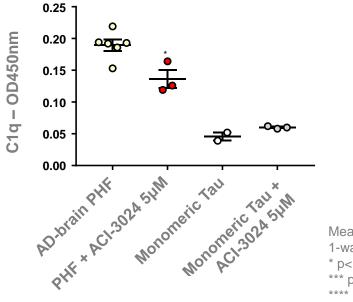
Decreased microglial activation in vitro

### Human AD¹-brain derived Tau activation of rat primary microglial cells

CD68+ microglia cells



C1q release from microglia

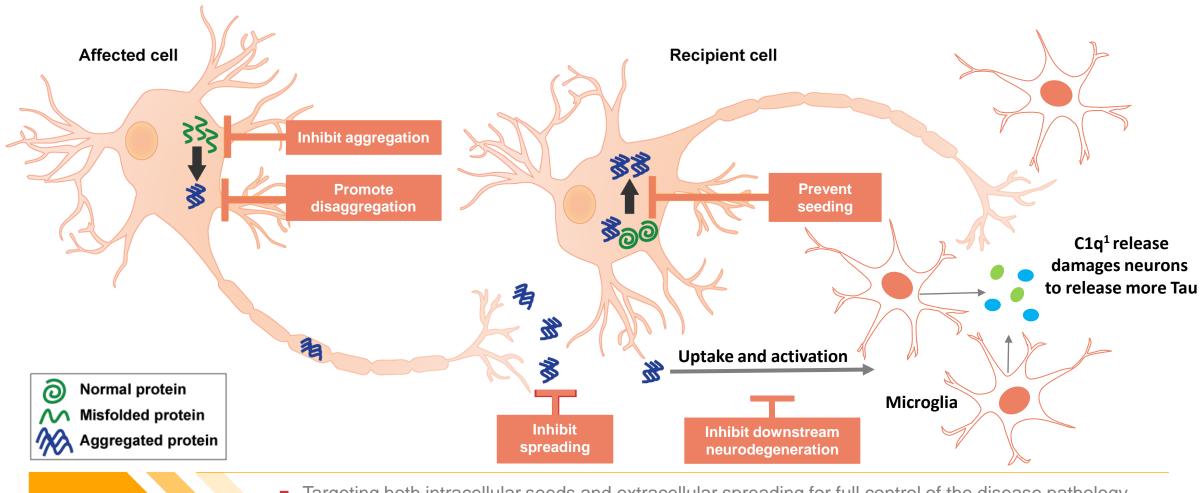


Mean + SEM 1-way ANOVA \* p< 0.05 \*\*\* p< 0.005 \*\*\*\* p< 0.001

Detoxification of Tau aggregates significantly decreases pathological Tau induced-microglial activation

AC Immune unpublished data

### ACI-3024: proposed mode of action



- Targeting both intracellular seeds and extracellular spreading for full control of the disease pathology
- Tau detoxification may reduce downstream neuroinflammation, further preventing neuronal damage

(1) Complement component 1q

### ACI-3024: summary of in vitro characteristics

MoA<sup>1</sup> on Tau aggregates

- Inhibition of Tau aggregation and Tau seeding
- Ability to disaggregate pathological Tau
- Effect independent of Tau and FTLD-MAPT<sup>2</sup> isoform and mutants

Selectivity for aggregated Tau

- Selective binding to AD<sup>3</sup> brain-derived pathological Tau (Kd 11.7 nM)
- No binding to monomeric forms of Tau or to healthy control tissue
- No binding to Abeta from AD human brain
- No binding to alpha-synuclein from PD<sup>4</sup> human brain

Intracellular activity on Tau misfolding

Dose-dependent decrease of intracellular misfolded Tau at low nM concentrations in a cellular assay

Inhibition of ND<sup>5</sup> and NI<sup>6</sup>

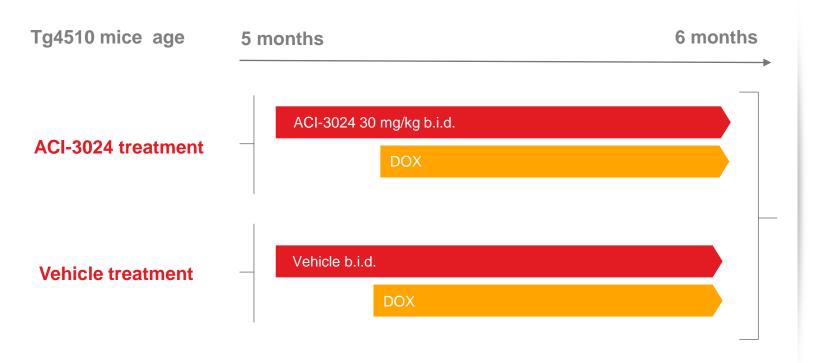
- Significantly reduces Tau induced neurodegeneration
- Significantly decreases pathological Tau induced-microglial activation

(1) Mechanism of action; (2) Frontotemporal lobar degeneration caused by a MAPT gene mutation; (3) Alzheimer's disease; (4) Parkinson's disease; (5) Neurodegeneration; (6) Neuroinflammation



### In vivo evaluation of ACI-3024 after oral administration

Tauopathy model: transgenic mice expressing human FTLD-MAPT<sup>1</sup> Tau mutation (P301L)<sup>2</sup>



### **End-Points**

- Biochemistry:
  - Total, aggregated, and hyperphosphorylated brain Tau
  - Total CSF Tau
- Immuno-histochemistry:
  - Misfolded Tau
- Neuroinflammation:
  - Microglial analysis
- Plasma concentrations of ACI-3024

- An independent dose response experiment performed at 10, 30 or 100 mg/kg BID
  - In vitro cellular assays combined with preclinical brain pharmacokinetics led to the in vivo dose and dosing regimen
  - Dose selection driven by ability to maintain target ACI-3024 CSF³ concentration over 24-hour period

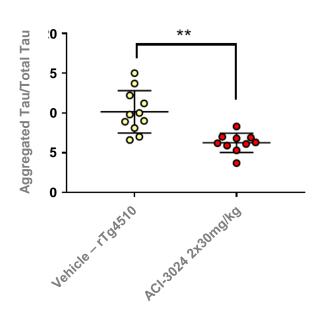
<sup>(1)</sup> Frontotemporal lobar degeneration caused by a MAPT gene mutation; (2) rTg4510 mice express repressible (Tet promotor Tau on/off) human 4R0N Tau carrying the P301L mutation (SantaCruz, 2005); (3) Cerebrospinal fluid



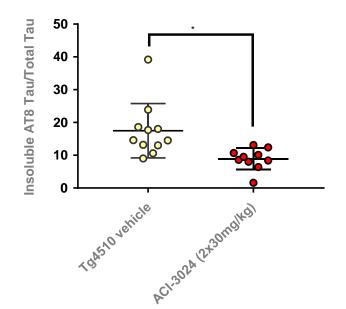
# ACI-3024 significantly reduces phosphorylated pathological Tau in vivo

### Biochemistry: Analysis of pathological Tau in Tau ON/OFF rTg4510 mice

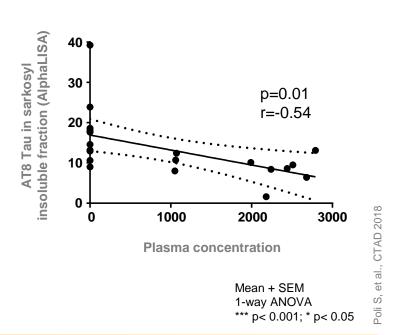
Aggregated Tau<sup>1</sup> normalized to total Tau<sup>2</sup>



Insoluble hyper-phosphorylated Tau<sup>3</sup> normalized to total Tau<sup>2</sup>



Dose-proportional reduction of Tau aggregates

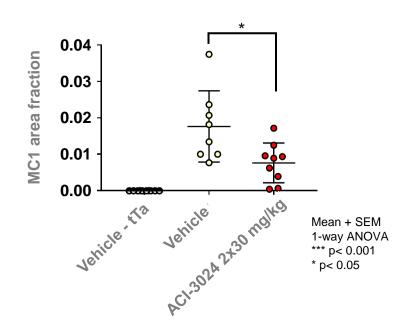


- Significantly reduced aggregated, insoluble pS202/pT205 hyper-phosphorylated Tau in cortical homogenates
- The decrease was proportional to the plasma exposure of ACI-3024

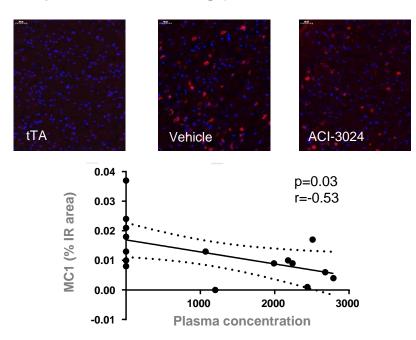
### Dose-dependent reduction in Tau misfolding in vivo

### Immunohistochemistry: Analysis of misfolded Tau (MC1) in rTg4510 brain section

MC1 in brain sections



Representative staining (MC1 in red, DAPI: blue)



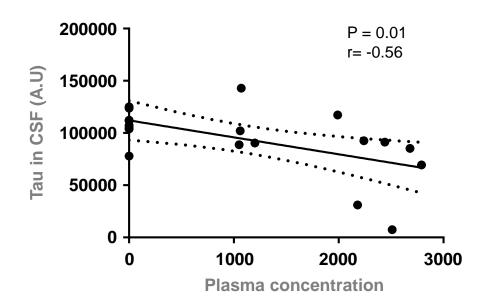
- Treatment with ACI-3024 significantly reduced misfolded Tau
- The decrease is correlated with the ACI-3024 plasma exposure



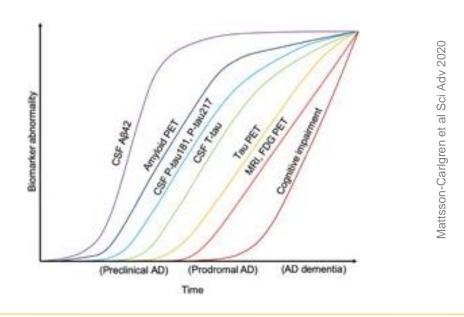
# Dose-dependent reduction of Tau in CSF<sup>1</sup> may indicate brain clearance

Potential as a biomarker for efficacy

### **Dose-dependent reduction of total Tau in CSF**



### Relationship between CSF and PET<sup>2</sup> biomarkers



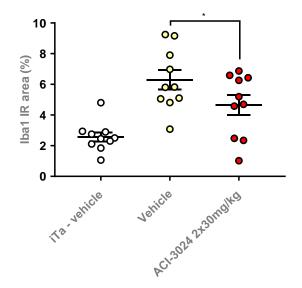
- The significant inverse correlation between CSF Tau and ACI-3024 exposure in plasma might indicate an increase of Tau clearance from the brain
- CSF Tau concentrations may be explored as a biomarker for efficacy in clinical development

(1) Cerebrospinal fluid; (2) Positron emission tomography

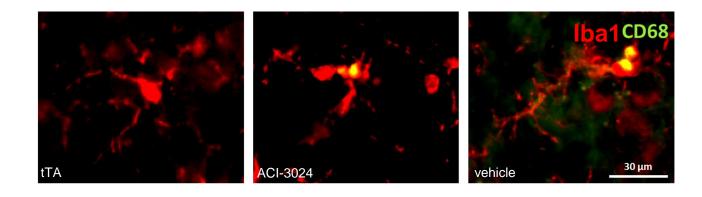
### Positive effect on Tau-induced neuroinflammation in vivo

ACI-3024 treatment led to significant decrease in microglial activation

### **Total Microglia in frontal cortex**



### Representative microglia labelling

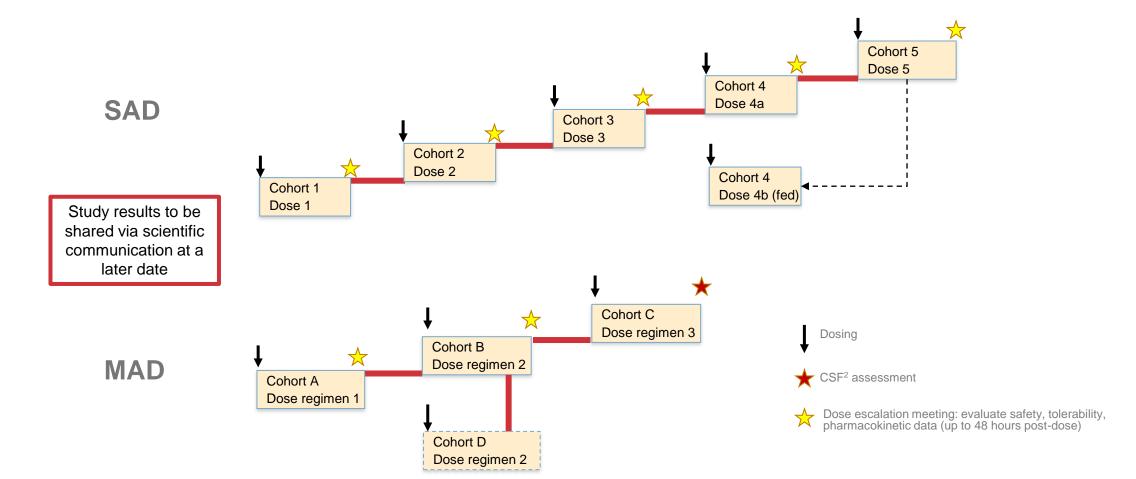


- Treatment with ACI-3024 reduced microgliosis
- Detoxification of Tau aggregates significantly decreases pathological Tau induced-microglial activation



### Phase 1 – SAD/MAD¹ healthy subject study

### Dose escalation scheme





### Morphomer<sup>™</sup> Tau therapeutic program

Generated first brain-penetrant Tau small molecule aggregation inhibitor

Phase 1

- ACI-3024 single and multiple ascending dose study completed as planned in healthy young, elderly, and Japanese subjects
- All cohorts completed dosing

**Pharmacokinetics** 

- Dose-dependent plasma exposure
- Half-life of 47.5 to 101 h with steady-state reached after 12-13 days
- I ow renal clearance
- Absorption increased by food

Brain exposure

 Exceeded ACI-3024 therapeutic target concentration in CSF¹ after multiple dose administration

Development status

- Multiple Tau Morphomers have demonstrated in vitro disaggregation of pathological Tau
- Novel optimized Tau Morphomer should be advanced into development for AD<sup>2</sup> in 2021
- ACI-3024 assessment ongoing for rare NeuroOrphan indications

(1) Cerebrospinal fluid; (2) Alzheimer's disease

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## Morphomer<sup>™</sup> Tau therapeutic program: summary and outlook

Generated first brain-penetrant Tau small molecule aggregation inhibitor

Selectivity and in vivo efficacy

- High target specificity
- Demonstrated MoA¹ in vitro and in vivo
  - Selective inhibition of Tau seeding and aggregation
  - Promotion of disaggregation
  - Significant reduction of pathological Tau in transgenic mouse model (Tg4510)
- Consequential decrease in neuroinflammation and neurodegeneration

Brain uptake in healthy subjects

- Completed single and multiple ascending dose Phase 1 study
- Achieved therapeutic target concentration in CSF<sup>2</sup>

 Tau Morphomers<sup>™</sup> have the potential to treat AD<sup>3</sup> and rare diseases caused by Tau misfolding and aggregation





# Diagnostic PET imaging agents targeting Tau, a-syn and TDP-43

Francesca Capotosti, PhD, Group leader in vivo pharmacology and non-clinical safety

## Brain PET<sup>1</sup> imaging is key for precision medicine

PET imaging in neurodegenerative diseases

- The vast majority of neurodegenerative diseases are sporadic; diagnosis cannot be only based on genetic testing
- So far clinically relevant fluid markers have been identified only for few NDDs and their correlation with brain pathology remains often poorly understood
- In AD<sup>2</sup>, the availability of Abeta PET tracers has allowed better stratification of patient populations and target engagement of anti-Abeta immunotherapies to be proven
  - In AD and other Tauopathies, Tau tracers have the potential to provide differential diagnosis. Such tracers also have potential as prognostic and/or predictive biomarkers in clinical trials
    - There is a clear unmeet clinical need for new PET tracers for other targets in neurodegeneration such as a-syn<sup>3</sup> and TDP-43<sup>4</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> Positron emission tomography; (2) Alzheimer's disease; (3) Alpha-synuclein; (4) TAR DNA-binding protein 43

# Chotipanich et al., Molecular Imaging 2020

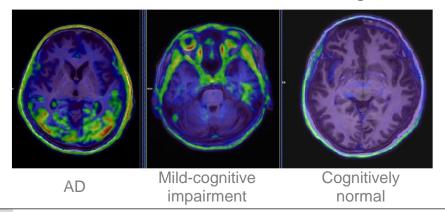
# Tau-PET<sup>1</sup> tracer PI-2620: A tool to assess early AD<sup>2</sup> and neuronal injury



| Target      | Misfolded Tau (3R/4R, 3R and 4R)   |
|-------------|--|
| Key results | <ul> <li>High specificity for pathological forms of human Tau in AD (3R/4R) and PSP³ (4R)</li> <li>Outstanding PET tracer profile: excellent brain uptake, fast wash-out and low off-target binding, allowing early-stage disease imaging</li> <li>Good reproducibility of PET scans in test-retest studies</li> </ul> |

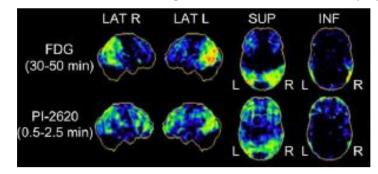
### Phase 1 clinical study results

PI-2620 Tau PET in different disease stage



### Phase 1 clinical study results<sup>4</sup>

PI-2620 Tau PET as surrogate marker of neuronal injury in AD



FDG and PI-2620 early phase PET scans

Key differentiation

- 3R/4R Tau detection in AD; reproducible 4R Tau detection in PSP; promising 4R Tau detection in CBD<sup>5</sup>
- Potential for earlier and more reliable diagnosis: PI-2620 PET imaging can detect and assess PSP pathology in vivo
- PI-2620 PET imaging can serve as surrogate biomarker for neuronal injury and allow differential diagnosis

Development status

Phase 2 longitudinal study in AD and Phase 1 study in PSP (test-retest) nearing completion

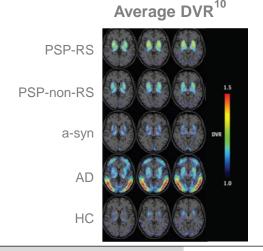
(1) Positron emission tomography; (2) Alzheimer's disease; (3) Progressive supranuclear palsy; (4) Fluorodeoxyglucose; R, right; L, left; LAT, lateral; SUP, superior; INF, inferior; (5) Corticobasal degeneration

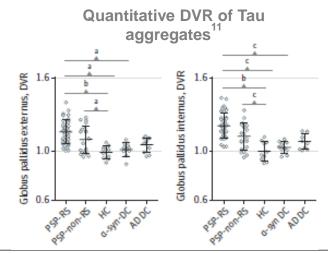


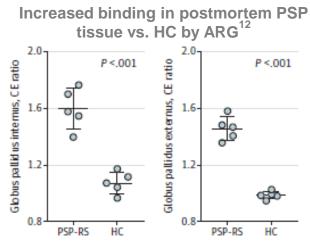
# PI-2620 is the only PET¹ tracer that can reliably detect 4-repeat (4R) Tau

4R Tau detection may enable precision medicine approaches in PSP<sup>2</sup> and other Tauopathies

| Study Rationale | <ul> <li>Multicenter study enrolled patients with PSP-RS<sup>3</sup>, PSP-non-RS<sup>4</sup>, a-synucleinopathies (MSA<sup>5</sup>, PD<sup>6</sup>), AD<sup>7</sup>, and HC<sup>8</sup></li> <li>Strong overlap of clinical symptoms; clinical assessments lack sensitivity in early disease and specificity for pathological Tau</li> <li>No available biomarker currently fulfills the criteria to ensure differential diagnosis in PSP</li> </ul>                   |
|-----------------|--|
| Key results     | <ul> <li>Results show clear differentiation of PSP from non-PSP patients:</li> <li>High specificity for pathological forms of Tau in PSP (4R) with specific autoradiography signal in PSP tissue</li> <li>Statistically significant signal in PSP target regions compared to healthy controls (HC) and disease controls (a-syn<sup>9</sup>, AD)</li> <li>Clear target engagement (binding to 4R Tau aggregates) in autoradiography on postmortem PSP tissue</li> </ul> |







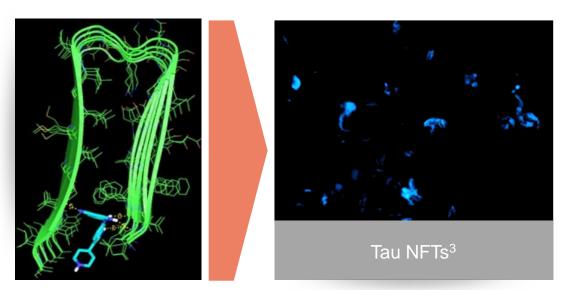
Key differentiation

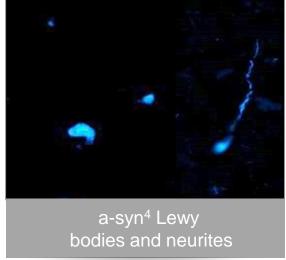
Reproducible 4R Tau detection in PSP; promising 4R Tau detection in CBD<sup>13</sup>

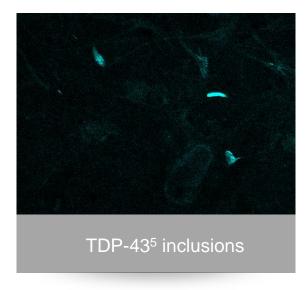
<sup>(1)</sup> Positron emission tomography; (2) Progressive supranuclear palsy; (3) PSP-Richardson syndrome; (4) PSP-non-Richardson syndrome; (5) Multiple system atrophy; (6) Parkinson's disease; (7) Alzheimer's disease; (8) Healthy control; (9) a-synucleinopathies; (10) Distribution volume ratio; (11) Statistics derive from multivariant analysis including center, age and sex; (12) Autoradiography; (13) Corticobasal degeneration

# Developing a suite of PET¹ tracers against emerging targets in NDD²

Precision medicine approach enabled by the Morphomer™ platform







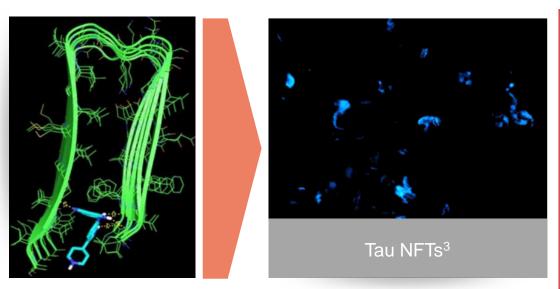
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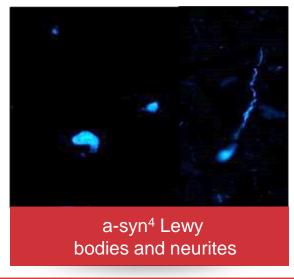
- Rely only on patient-derived brain samples for target engagement
- Minimize off-target binding to optimize signal-to-noise ratio
- Optimize selectivity against other potential co-pathologies (Abeta, Tau, TDP-43)
- Optimize brain penetration and washout

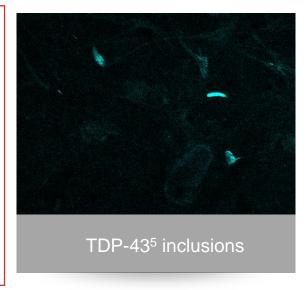


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- Optimize selectivity against other potential co-pathologies (Abeta, Tau, TDP-43)
- Optimize brain penetration and washout
- >2000 Morphomers<sup>TM</sup> have been designed, synthesized and screened to date for AC Immune's PET programs

(1) Positron emission tomography; (2) Neurodegenerative disease; (3) Neurofibrillary tangles; (4) Alpha synuclein; (5) TAR DNA binding protein-43



# Early treatment of PD¹ with a pathological a-syn² PET³ tracer

Diagnosing PD before onset of clinical symptoms offers improved treatment paradigms

- >90% of PD cases are sporadic; diagnosis cannot be based on genetic testing<sup>4</sup>
- Dopaminergic imaging has a poor correlation with clinical severity<sup>5,6</sup>
- a-Synuclein inclusions (Lewy bodies and Lewy neurites) appear before dopaminergic changes, i.e., premotor stage of PD<sup>7</sup>
- Development of fluid biomarkers limited by low abundance of pathological a-syn in biofluids
- Pathological aggregates of a-syn are intracellular, not as abundant as Abeta and Tau pathology in Alzheimer's disease and often
  present as part of co-pathologies<sup>8</sup>
- Clinical trials targeting a-syn have a higher chance of success when utilizing an a-syn tracer for recruiting a more homogeneous population as well as longitudinal surveillance
- Thus, our aim is to develop a first-in-class high affinity, selective a-syn tracer

<sup>(1)</sup> Parkinson's disease; (2) Alpha-synuclein; (3) Positron emission tomography; (4) Shah et al., 2014 Journal of Nuclear Medicine; (5) Fahn et al., 2004. N Engl J Med; (6) Brooks et al., 2003 Exp Neurol.; (7) Eberling et al., 2013 J Parkinsons Dis; (8) Robinson et al., 2018 Brain



## ACI-3847 is a potentially first-in-class a-synuclein diagnostic

Clinical evaluation of 2<sup>nd</sup> generation PET<sup>1</sup> tracer supported by strong preclinical data

# Target engagement and binding affinity

- Significantly higher specific signal in different PD<sup>2</sup> cases with confirmed asyn<sup>3</sup> pathology as compared to non-demented control subjects
- Autoradiography signal directly proportional to the pathological a-syn load

### Selectivity

- [3H]ACI-3847 displays no binding to AD<sup>4</sup> brain homogenates containing pathological Abeta and Tau
- No significant off-target binding to a panel of >130 receptors and enzymes

# 18F-labeling and pharmacokinetic profile

- Radiolabeling achieved at last synthetic step with good purity and yield
- Good, homogeneous brain uptake as well as a fast and complete washout in non-human primates

<sup>(1)</sup> Positron emission tomography; (2) Parkinson's disease; (3) Alpha-synuclein; (4) Alzheimer's disease

## ACI-3847 first-in-human evaluation: Study objectives and demographics

**Study objective:** Assess brain uptake and pharmacokinetics of ACI-3847 as a PET<sup>1</sup> imaging marker for a-syn<sup>2</sup> pathology in individuals with probable PD<sup>3</sup> versus HV<sup>4</sup>

| Study Subject ID | Gender | Cohort | Age | MDS-UPDRS part 3 score<br>OFF/ON | Hoehn &<br>Yahr score | MoCA<br>score | Affected side:<br>DaTscan |
|------------------|--------|--------|-----|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| PD_01            | Male   | PD     | 60  | 49/26                            | 2                     | 26            | Left                      |
| PD_05            | Female | PD     | 49  | 52/51                            | 2                     | 27            | Left                      |
| PD_07            | Male   | PD     | 73  | 52/46                            | 2                     | 22            | Left                      |
| PD_09            | Male   | PD     | 77  | 46/39                            | 2.5                   | 23            | Left                      |
| PD_11            | Male   | PD     | 65  | 26/21                            | 2                     | 28            | Right                     |
| HV_04            | Male   | HV     | 30  | NA                               | NA                    | 30            | NA                        |
| HV_06            | Female | HV     | 71  | NA                               | NA                    | 30            | NA                        |
| HC_08            | Female | HV     | 50  | NA                               | NA                    | 30            | NA                        |
| HV_10            | Female | HV     | 77  | NA                               | NA                    | 28            | NA                        |
| HV_12            | Female | HV     | 64  | NA                               | NA                    | 28            | NA                        |



- ACI-3847 was evaluated in 5 healthy volunteers, 4 probable mild idiopathic PD cases and one relatively young
   SNCA gene duplication carrier
- 4/5 PD cases show an asymmetrical dopaminergic loss that is more pronounced in the left substantia nigra



<sup>(1)</sup> Positron emission tomography; (2) Alpha synuclein; (3) Parkinson's disease; (4) Healthy volunteers

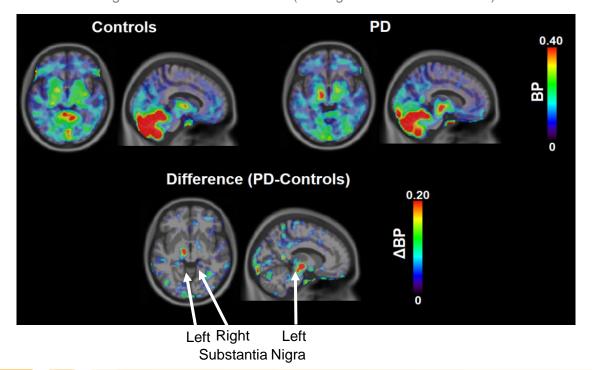
# In collaboration with Prof. O. Hanssosn. Skane University Hospitz

### Kinetic modeling shows clear signal elevation in substantia nigra

Higher tracer uptake in idiopathic PD¹ cases compared to healthy controls

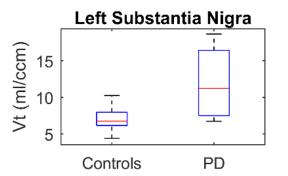
### **Binding potential maps**

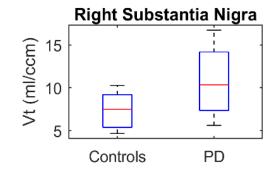
Logan reference tissue model (ref. region: middle frontal lobe)



### Blood-based Vt<sup>3</sup>

(Logan model with blood input function)





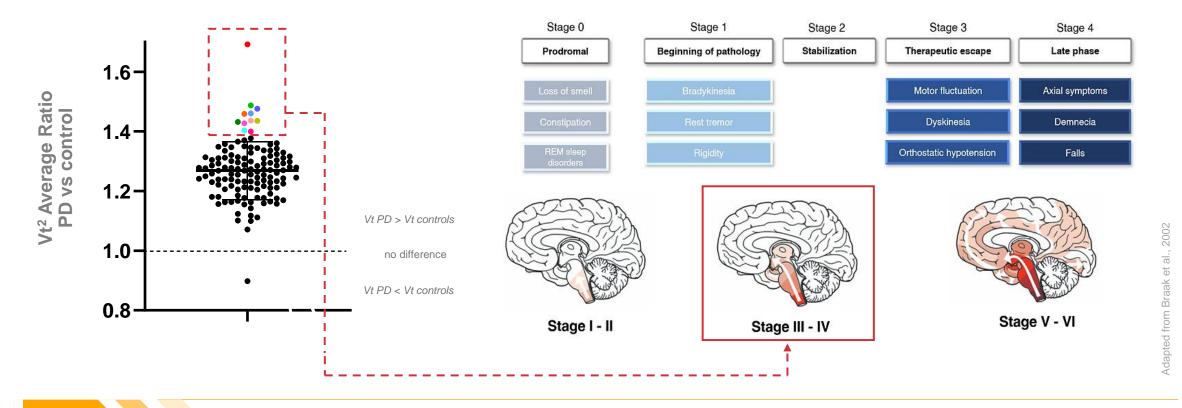


■ PD subjects show slightly higher tracer uptake in brain regions that accumulate a-synuclein, including substantia nigra, despite overlapping signal between PD cases and healthy controls

(1) Parkinson's disease; (2) Alpha synuclein; (3) Volume of distribution



# Signal elevation more pronounced in regions associated with early PD<sup>1</sup>



■ ACI-3847 differentiates brain regions associated with early PD; good correlation with patient profile of FiH³ study

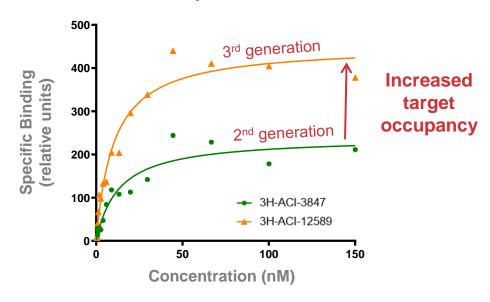
Initiated follow up clinical study in indications with expected higher levels of a-synuclein pathology

(1) Parkinson's disease; (2) Volume of distribution; (3) First-in-human

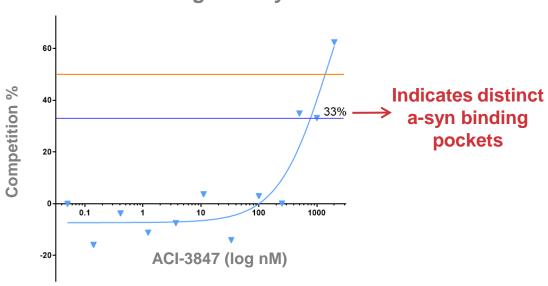
# 3<sup>rd</sup> generation a-syn<sup>1</sup> tracers have improved properties

Candidates with increased target occupancy and different binding sites

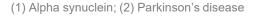
# Saturation binding on tissue homogenates from idiopathic PD<sup>2</sup> cases



# Limited displacement of newly identified ligands by ACI-3847



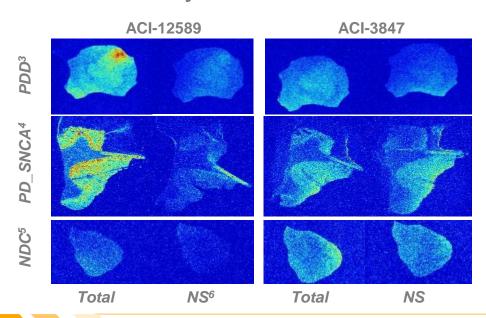
- Newly identified compounds are highly promising with up to 10-fold increased target occupancy
- Potential for enhanced differentiation between diseased and healthy subjects based on recognition of a different and more abundant a-syn binding pocket



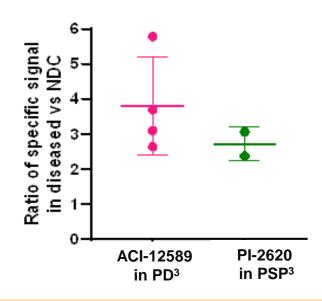
## ACI-12589 is a potentially best-in-class a-synuclein PET<sup>1</sup> tracer

Ex vivo characterization of 3<sup>rd</sup> generation tracer

# Comparison of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> generation a-syn<sup>2</sup> PET tracers



# Comparison of 3<sup>rd</sup> generation a-syn PET tracer and PI-2620 (Tau PET tracer)



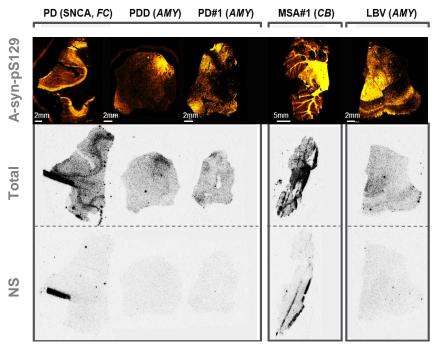
- Compared to ACI-3847, ACI-12589 provides:
  - Stronger, more specific signal in tissue from different PD<sup>7</sup> patients, even tissue with limited a-syn pathology
  - Better differentiation between disease and non-disease controls
- Ex vivo, ACI-12589 showed a similar signal elevation in PD vs control cases as PI-2620 in PSP

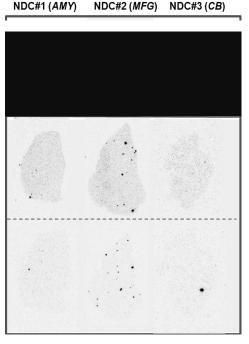


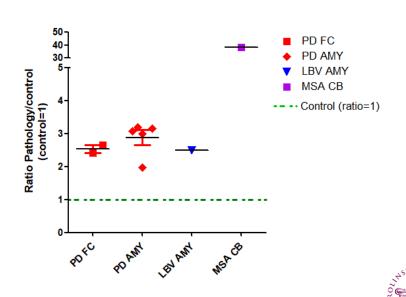


### ACI-12589: A potentially broadly applicable diagnostic agent

Potential to diagnose a range of alpha-synucleinopathies







Total = Total binding (1.7nM) NS = Non-specific binding (1μM)



PD\_SNCA: PD with SNCA G51D mutation PDD: Parkinson's disease with dementia

PD: idiopathic PD LBV: Lewy body variant MSA: multiple system atrophy NDC: non-diseased control

FC: Frontal cortex AMY: Amygdala

CB: Cerebellum MFG: Middle frontal gyrus

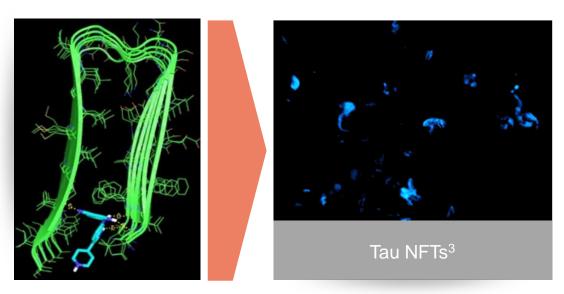
■ Target engagement across the full spectrum of synucleinopathies, despite differences in morphology and brain localization of a-synuclein aggregates

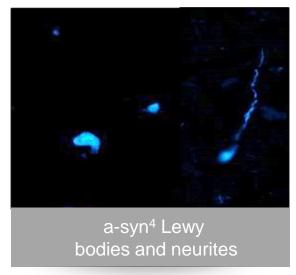
Recently initiated first-in-human clinical study – results expected in Q3 2021

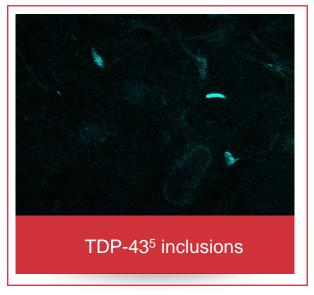


# Developing a suite of PET¹ tracers against emerging targets in NDD²

Precision medicine approach enabled by the Morphomer™ platform







### The development pathway:

- Rely only on patient-derived brain samples for target engagement
- Minimize off-target binding to optimize signal-to-noise ratio
- Optimize selectivity against other potential co-pathologies (Abeta, Tau, TDP-43)
- Optimize brain penetration and washout
- >600 Morphomers<sup>TM</sup> have been designed, synthesized and screened to date for AC Immune's TDP-43 PET program

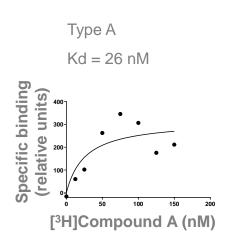


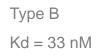
# First-in-class TDP-43<sup>1</sup> PET<sup>2</sup> imaging tracer

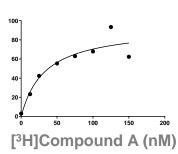
Designed to facilitate clinical development and enable precision medicine

| Target      | Aggregated TDP-43   |
|-------------|---|
| Key results | <ul> <li>Identified reference compound (Compound A) with binding to pathological TDP-43 aggregates</li> <li>Target engagement confirmed by micro-autoradiography on a subset of FTLD-TDP<sup>3</sup> Type C pathology</li> <li>PK<sup>4</sup> study in mice confirmed good, rapid brain uptake (4.11%)</li> </ul> |

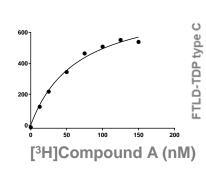




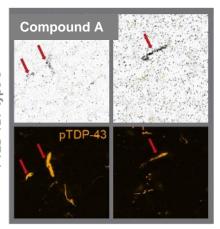




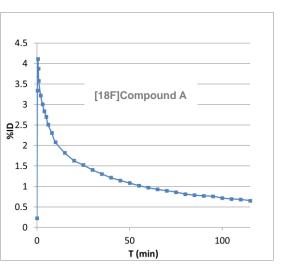
Type C Kd = 65.37 nM



Target engagement by micro-autoradiography



**Brain PK profile** 



| Key | differe | entiation |
|-----|---------|-----------|
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First-in-class PET tracer for TDP-43

Next steps

Identify lead compound and initiate IND-enabling studies

(1) TAR DNA binding protein-43; (2) Positron emission tomography; (3) Frontotemporal lobar degeneration with TDP-43 pathology; (4) Pharmacokinetic

Ref: AC Immune unpublished data

### Delivering first- and best-in-class PET<sup>1</sup> tracers for NDD<sup>2</sup>

Tau-PET program

PI-2620, a next-generation Tau PET tracer:

- Showed reduced off-target binding compared with first-generation Tau PET tracers; potential for earlier diagnosis
- Successfully completed Phase 1 in AD<sup>3</sup>; currently being evaluated in a Phase 2 longitudinal AD trial and Phase 1 in PSP<sup>4</sup>



2nd generation tracer ACI-3847:

- Completed first-in-human trial in idiopathic PD<sup>6</sup>; showed a small signal elevation in relevant brain regions
- Currently evaluated in different synucleinopathies with expected higher a-synuclein pathology

3rd generation tracer ACI-12589:

- Showed superior ex vivo properties
- Recently initated first-in-human evaluation with results expected Q3 2021

TDP-43<sup>7</sup>-PET program

OJPND

- Established state-of-the-art screening assays based on patient-derived tissue with expected high translational value
- Identified candidates showing nanomolar affinities on tissues from patients with TDP-43 proteinopathies
- Affinity and selectivity will be further optimized to deliver a potential first-in-class PET tracer for TDP-43

(1) Positron emission tomography; (2) Neurodegenerative disease; (3) Alzheimer's disease; (4) Progressive supranuclear palsy; (5) Alpha-synuclein; (6) Parkinson's disease; (7) TAR DNA binding protein -43

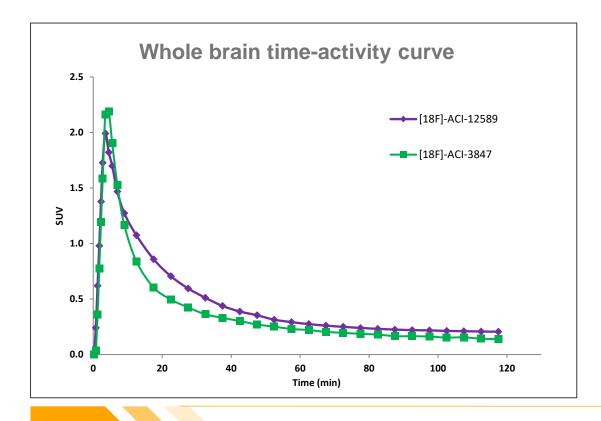




# Backup slides

# ACI-12589 has a favorable PK<sup>1</sup> profile in non-human primates

ACI-12589 may have potential as a PET<sup>2</sup> tracer

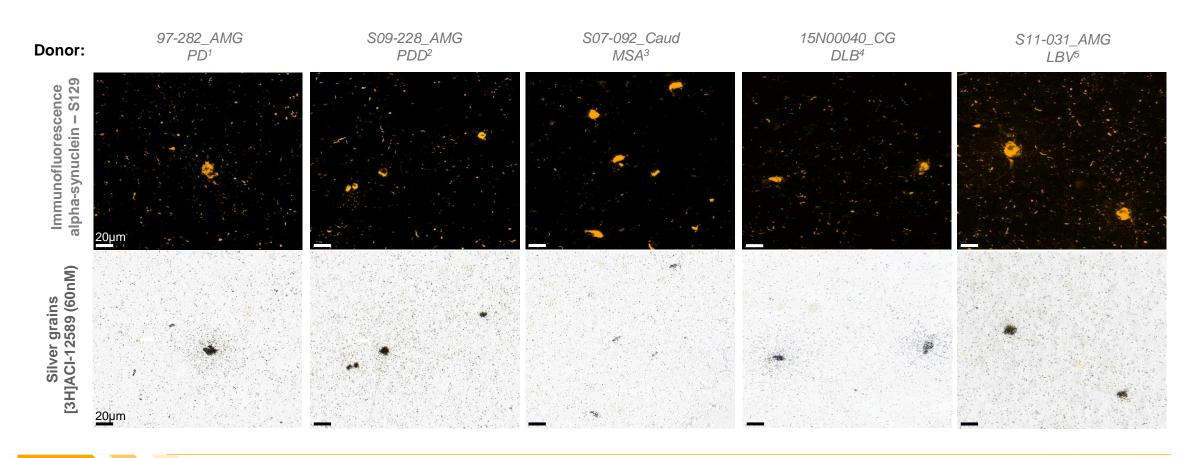


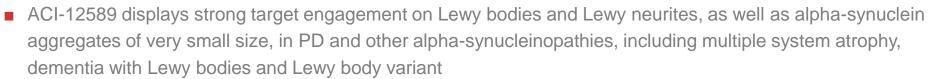
| NHP ID    | Brain<br>Uptake<br>(min to C <sub>max</sub> ) | Brain<br>Uptake<br>(% ID/g) | Peak(half<br>peak<br>(min) | Remaining<br>at 120 min<br>(% of C <sub>max</sub> ) |
|-----------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Target    | < 10  | >3                          | <30                        | <10   |
| ACI-12589 | 3.5   | 4.3                         | 14                         | 10  |
| ACI-3847  | 4.5   | 3-5                         | 9                          | 6   |

■ [18F]ACI-12589 displays a PK in non-human primates suitable for its use as brain PET tracer with good and fast brain uptake, homogeneous distribution as well as rapid and complete washout

(1) Pharmacokinetic (2) Positron emission tomography

### ACI-12589 shows target engagement across alpha-synucleinopathies





<sup>(1)</sup> Parkinson's disease; (2) Parkinson's disease with dementia; (3) Multiple system atrophy; (4) Dementia with Lewy bodies; (5) Lewy body variant





# Conclusion

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### AC Immune value drivers

### PRECISION MEDICINE

Novel Therapeutics and Diagnostics



- Key differentiation
- Diagnose and treat specific pathologies
- Potential for tailored combination therapies

### **PLATFORMS**

SupraAntigen™ and Morphomer™



- Generate best-in-class candidates to diagnose and target neurodegenerative diseases
- Clinically validated across multiple programs

### **PIPELINE**

Broad – Diverse – Late-Stage



- Addressing several key pathologies in NDD¹
- Validating partnerships fund late-stage development
- Early-stage programs generate future value

(1) Neurodegenerative disease

# Multiple catalysts to drive value in 2021

Opportunities for further value creation

Biologic

Small Molecule

Diagnostic

Q1

ACI-35.030

Phase 1b/2a interim analysis (second highest dose)<sup>1</sup>

### ACI-24

- Phase 1b top line study reporting in DS
- Phase 2 interim analysis (12-month)<sup>6</sup> in AD

a-Syn² PET tracer³ ✓ First patient in FiH⁴ study Q2

**Semorinemab** 

Phase 2 primary completion<sup>5</sup>

ACI-24 in AD

Phase 2 interim analysis (18-month)<sup>6</sup>

pTau vaccine (JACI-35.0547)

Phase 1b/2a interim analysis8

**ACI-3024** 

Select NeuroOrphan indication

Q3

a-Syn PET tracer<sup>3</sup>

FiH study readout

Morphomer a-syn

Start in vivo PoC studies

TDP-43<sup>9</sup> PET tracer

Initiate IND<sup>10</sup>-enabling studies

Q4

ACI-35.030

Phase 1b/2a interim analysis (highest dose)<sup>11</sup>

ACI-24 in DS<sup>12</sup>

Submit IND for optimized formulation

Morphomer NLRP3<sup>13</sup>-ASC<sup>14</sup>

- Report in vivo PoC in non-CNS<sup>15</sup> disease model
- Start in vivo PoC studies (CNS) with validated candidate

**Anti-NLRP3-ASC antibody** 

Start in vivo PoC

**Anti-TDP-43 antibody** 

Initiate IND-enabling toxicology studies

**TDP-43** biofluid diagnostic

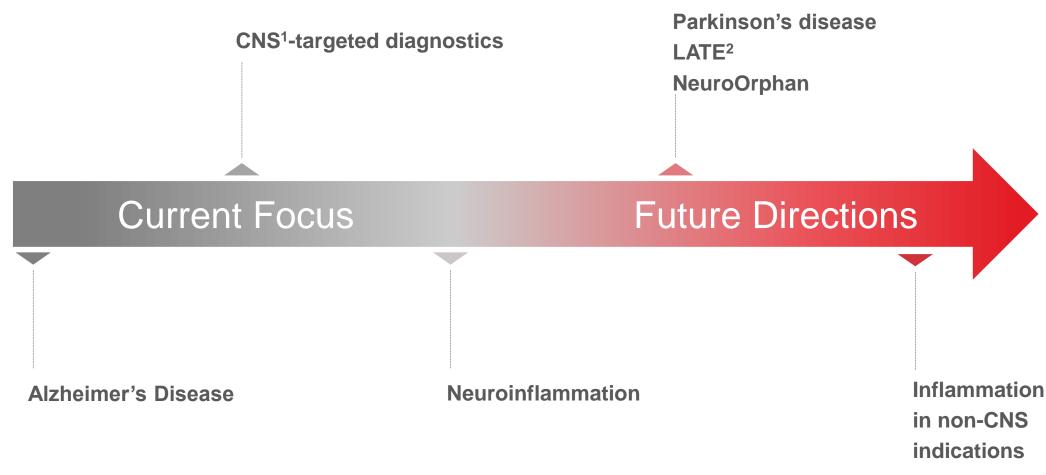
Establish validation-ready assay

(1) Cohort 1.2: safety/tolerability and immunogenicity; (2) Alpha synuclein; (3) 3<sup>rd</sup>-generation compound; (4) First-in-human clinical study; (5) Lauriet study in moderate Alzheimer's disease; estimated last patient, last visit; (6) Safety/tolerability and immunogenicity; (7) Alternative pTau vaccine; (8) JACI-35.054: safety/tolerability and immunogenicity; (9) TAR DNA-binding protein 43; (10) Investigational new drug; (11) Cohort 1.3: safety/tolerability and immunogenicity; (12) Down syndrome-related Alzheimer's disease; (13) (NOD)-like receptor protein 3; (14) Apoptosis-associated speck-like protein containing a CARD, also called PYCARD; (15) Central nervous system



### AC Immune future directions

Expanding our capabilities and building a fully-integrated company



(1) Central nervous system; (2) Limbic-predominant age-related TDP-43 encephalopathy

### **AC Immune**



We continue to shape the future of neurodegeneration by discovering and developing breakthrough therapies through pioneering science and precision medicine



Q&A