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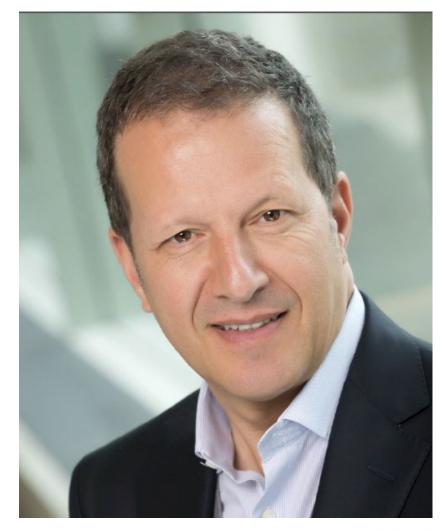


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# Agenda

1:00-1:25	<ul> <li>Understanding the high unmet medical need in Galactosemia</li> <li>Role of galactitol (a toxic metabolite of galactose) in Galactosemia complications</li> <li>Rationale for aldose reductase inhibition as a therapeutic target for Galactosemia</li> <li>Preclinical evidence for AT-007 – a highly selective, brain-penetrant aldose reductase inhibitor</li> </ul>
1:25-1:50	<ul> <li>Design of the ACTION-Galactosemia study</li> <li>ACTION-Galactosemia study results</li> <li>AT-007 future development and next steps</li> </ul>
1:50-2:00	<ul> <li>Moderated questions and answers from audience</li> </ul>



# Galactosemia Clinical Presentation



# Galactosemia: Rare Genetic Metabolic Disease with High Unmet Medical Need

### **Pathogenesis of Disease**

- Rare genetic metabolic disease caused by inability to break down galactose
- Galactose is a natural sugar formed by metabolism of lactose, but is also produced endogenously by the body
- In patients with Galactosemia, Aldose Reductase converts galactose to galactitol, an aberrant toxic metabolite

### Standard of Care

- Mandatory newborn screening and initiation of dairy free diet
- Dietary restriction prevents fatalities, but **does not prevent long term consequences of disease**
- No approved therapies



# Galactosemia Clinical Presentation

### **Acute Newborn**



- Hepatic and renal failure
- Brain swelling (edema; encephalopathy)
- Sepsis
- Potentially life threatening if not identified and managed immediately

## Chronic/Long-Term



- CNS complications
  - Low IQ/ intellectual impairment
  - $\circ$  Motor skills
  - Speech/ language
  - Learning, behavioral, social impairments
  - Psychiatric problems (anxiety, depression)

- Primary ovarian insufficiency
- Cataracts



# Galactosemia Effects ~2,800 Patients in the US and 3,500 Patients in EU

- ~2,800 living US patients ; ~80 new births per year
- ~3,500 living EU patients; ~120 new births per year
- Majority of patients are under the age of 40, as newborn screening was adopted in the 1980s and 1990s
- Potential regulatory pathway:
  - Galactosemia is a slowly progressive, low prevalence rare disease<sup>1</sup>
  - Under new FDA guidance, surrogate metabolic biomarkers may be acceptable for demonstration of therapeutic activity





1. Diseases with less than 5,000 living US patients are termed "low prevalence"

## **Current Disease Management**

## Neonatal

- Lactose dietary restrictions (soy based or elemental formula)
- Medical management of acute symptoms

# • Chronic

- Dietary management restriction of lactose/ galactose intake
  - Dietary restriction does not block endogenous galactose production
- Appropriate cognitive, neurological and speech assessment evaluation and treatment
- Symptomatic treatment for organ-specific issues

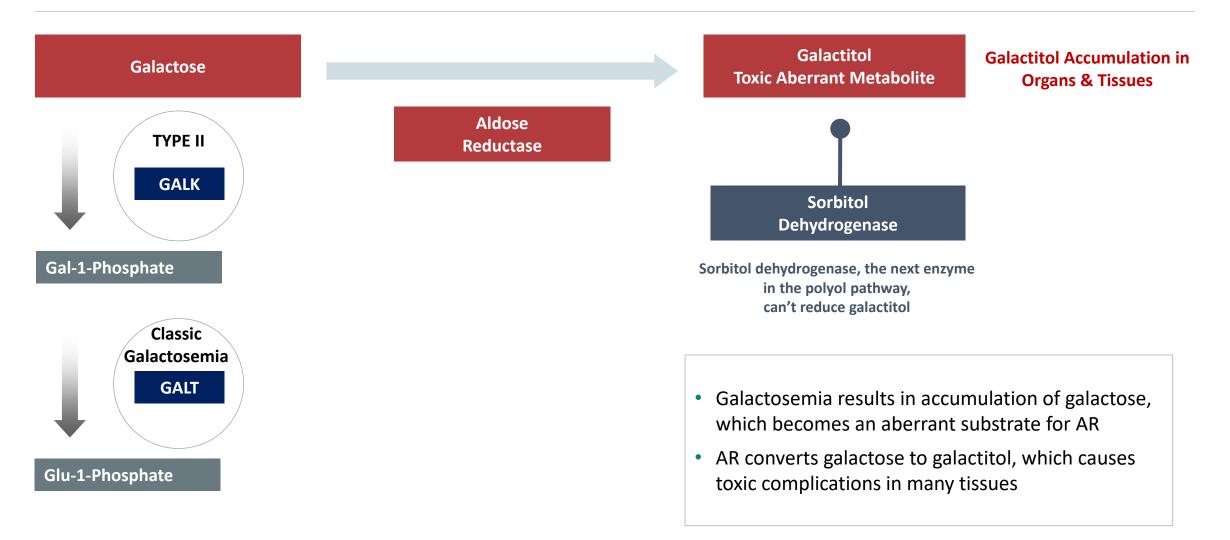
### No currently approved drug therapies for acute or long-term treatment



# Role of Galactitol (a toxic metabolite of galactose) in Galactosemia Complications

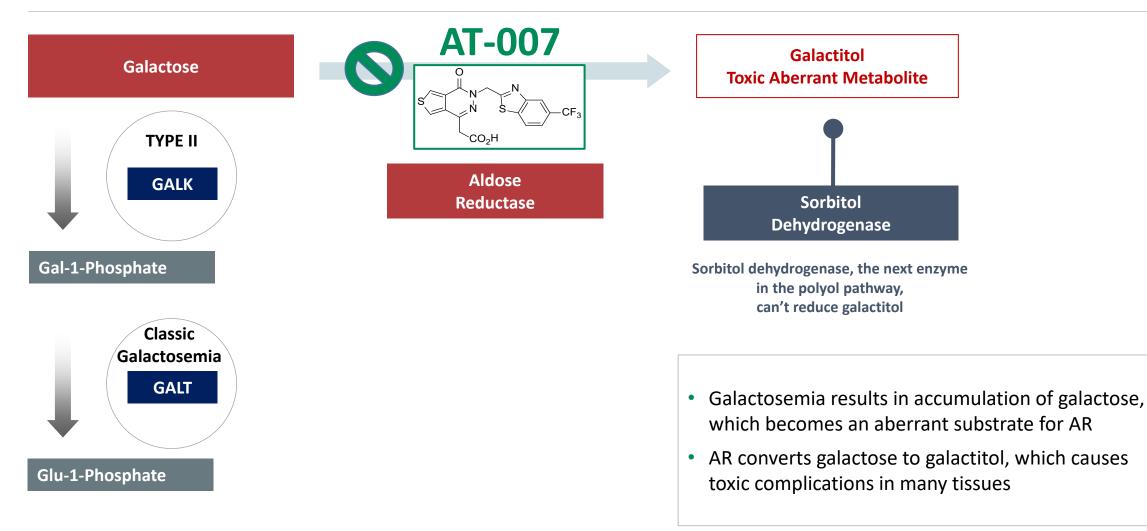


# Aldose Reductase Activity Causes Toxic Accumulation of Galactitol in Galactosemia





# AT-007, a CNS-Penetrant Novel Aldose Reductase Inhibitor, Prevents Galactitol Formation and Accumulation





# Galactitol Accumulates in Various Tissues Including the CNS

In vivo evidence of brain galactitol accumulation in an infant with Galactosemia and encephalopathy

Gal-ol Naa Frequency (ppm) toxic edema.

(A) Sagittal and (B) axial turbo-spin-echo T2-weighted images, (C) DWI, and (D) ADC. (A) Massive edema causes cerebellar tonsils to descend into the foramen magnum. (B) Brain and cerebellum appear diffusely swollen with reduced gray/white matter differentiation. (C) DWI and (D) ADC maps show large posterior areas of restricted diffusion consistent with cyto-

Berry G et al *J of Pediatrics* 138(2):260-2, 2001 Otaduy MCG, et al American Journal of Neuroradiology 27 (1) 204-207, 2006

Martinelli D et al Neurology 86:e32-e33, 2016

Galactitol peak and fatal cerebral edema in

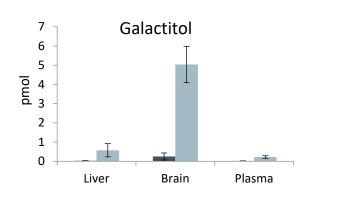
Classic Galactosemia

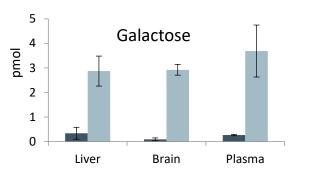


# GALT Deficient Rat Model Closely Mirrors Human Disease

#### **Biochemical Effects**

GALT null rats have exponentially higher levels of galactose and galactitol, as well as Gal1p





#### Wild Type GALT null

#### **Tissue Deposition of Galactitol**

All GALT null rats display cataracts (caused by galactitol deposition in the eye) vs. none of the WT rats

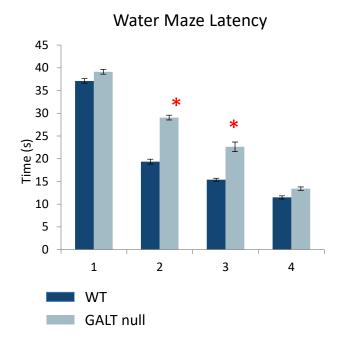




GALT null

#### **CNS Outcomes**

GALT null rats display deficiencies in learning, cognition, and motor skills as measured by rotarod and water maze



#### Full animal model published by Fridovich-Keil and coworkers: Rasmussen et al, <u>J Inherit Metab Dis.</u> 2019 Dec 17. doi: 10.1002/jimd.12205



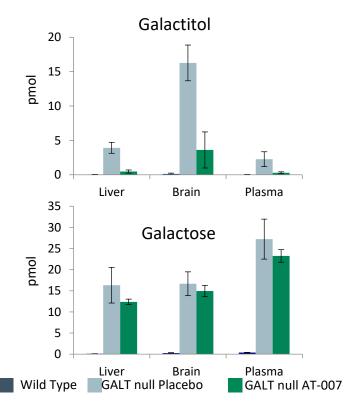
## Aldose Reductase Inhibition as a Therapeutic Target for Galactosemia



# AT-007 Treatment Corrects All 3 Aspects of Disease in the Galactosemia Rat Model

#### **Biochemical Effects**

AT-007 treatment significantly reduced galactitol levels in all tissues without increasing galactose or Gal1p



#### **Tissue Deposition of Galactitol**

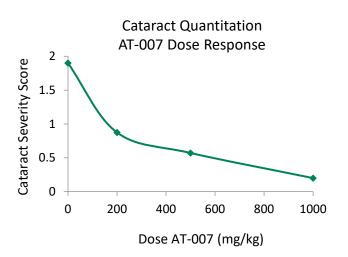
AT-007 treatment prevented galactitol accumulation in tissues, resulting in absence of cataracts

WT

GALT null GALT null (placebo) AT-007

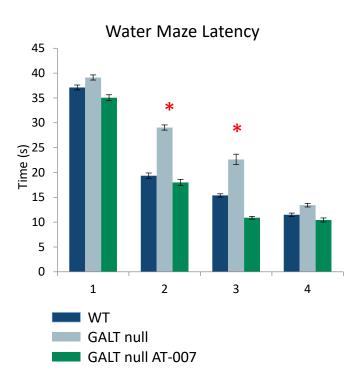


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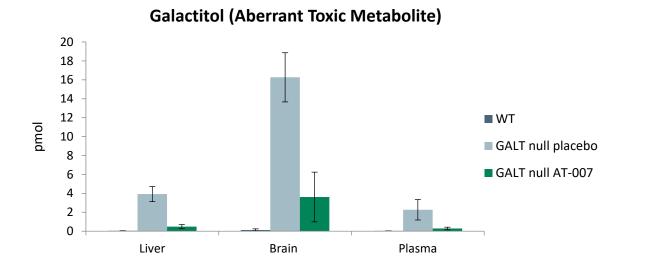
#### **CNS Outcomes**

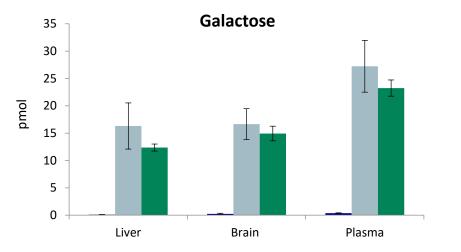
AT-007 treatment normalized CNS outcomes on both water maze and rotarod



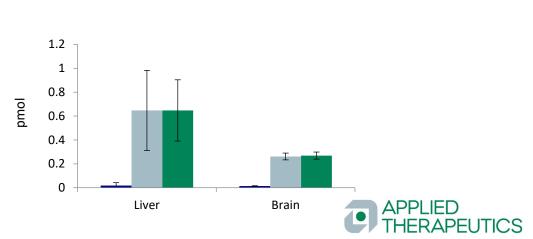


# A Closer Look: AT-007 Significantly Reduces Galactitol Levels in all Target Tissues Without Increasing Galactose or Gal-1P



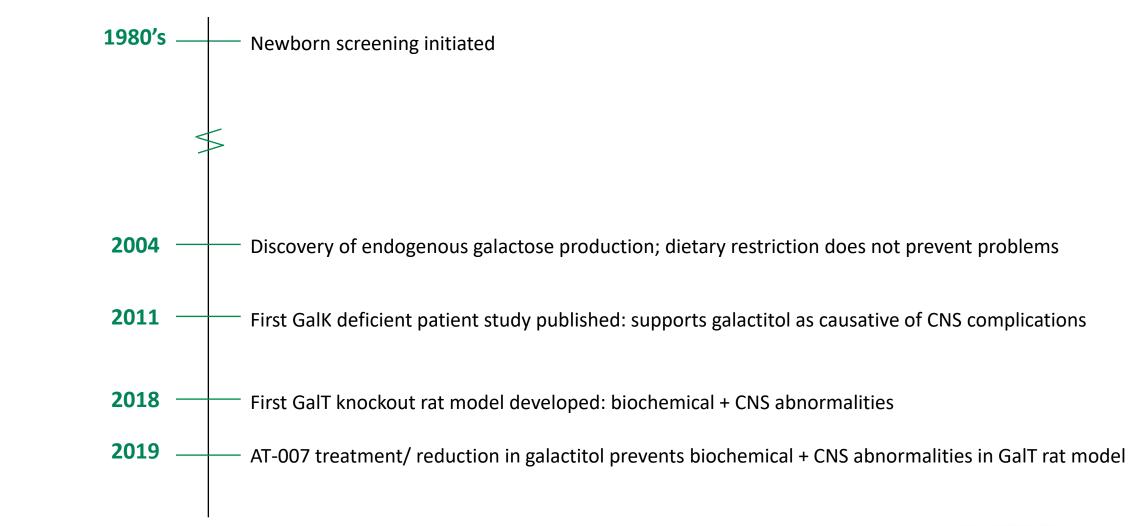


- AT-007 treatment from neonatal Day 1 to Day 10 significantly reduced galactitol in liver, brain and plasma
- AT-007 treatment did not increase galactose or Gal1P levels; similar results seen at Day 22 and age 5 months



Gal-1P

# **Galactosemia History Timeline**





# Rational Drug Design Targeting Aldose Reductase: Improved Technology has Led to Improved Compounds

#### **Technological Advancements**

 Advanced crystallography provided novel understanding of structural changes within AR active site

#### **Impact of Modified Structure**

- Functional modifications improve compound's binding affinity and specificity
- High potency for Aldose Reductase inhibition
- No off-target Aldehyde Reductase inhibitory activity
- CNS penetrant

#### **Preclinical Toxicology Supporting Human Clinical Trial Initiation**

- AT-007 was safe and well tolerated in animals, with a broad dosing/ exposure window to humans
  - Rats, dogs, rabbits
  - Up to 9 months exposure (dogs); 6 months exposure (rats)
  - o Includes developmental toxicology and juvenile toxicology studies



# Summary

- In an animal model of Galactosemia, AT-007 prevented biochemical manifestations of disease
  - Prevented production of toxic galactitol in blood and tissues, without adversely impacting galactose or gal-1p
- Prevented clinical manifestations of disease in this model, including CNS abnormalities (learning, cognition, motor)
  - Also prevented cataract formation
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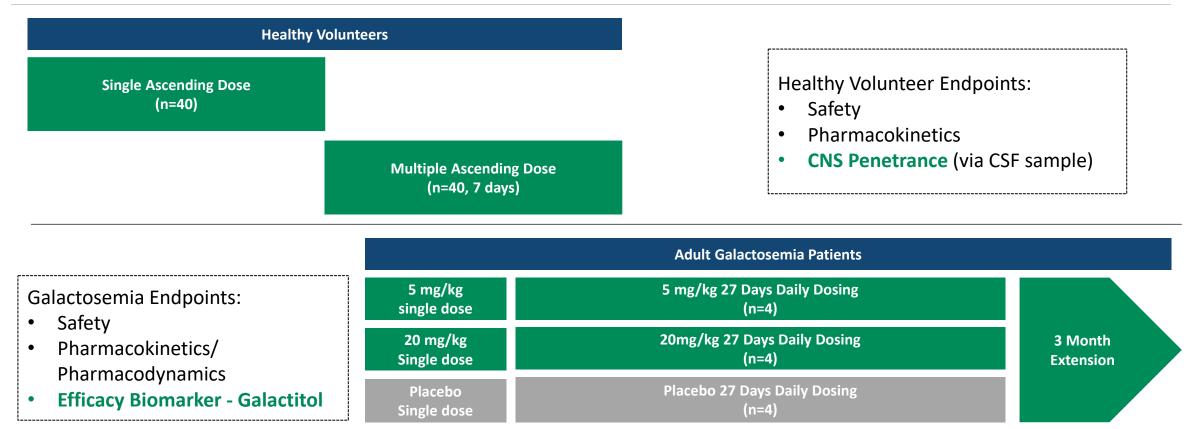


# **Clinical Program: ACTION-Galactosemia Trial Design**



### Galactosemia Phase 1/2 Registrational Study (ACTION-Galactosemia)

Multi-Center Placebo-Controlled Study in Healthy Volunteers & Adult Galactosemia Patients



Based on initial topline data from Jan 2020, the study was expanded to include a 40mg/kg dose in healthy volunteers and then Galactosemia patients



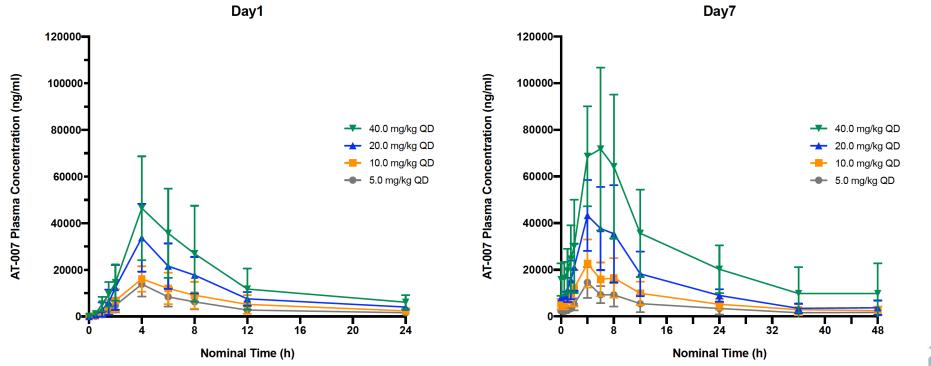
# **Clinical Program: ACTION-Galactosemia Trial Healthy Volunteer Data**



### Healthy Volunteer Data

AT-007 Was Safe and Well Tolerated; PK Supportive of Once-Daily Dosing

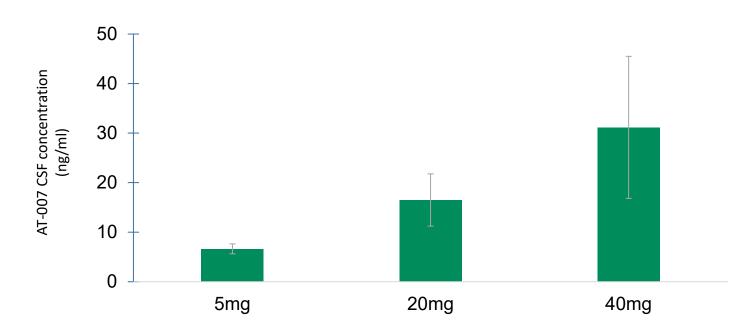
- AT-007 was safe and well tolerated at all doses, including 40mg/kg
- No treatment-related discontinuations
- Dose-dependent increase in exposure
- PK results supportive of once daily oral dosing





# AT-007 is Brain Penetrant Important in Galactosemia Given CNS Complications

# Dose-Dependent Increase in CSF Concentration in Healthy Volunteers (via lumbar puncture)



AT-007 Dose (in mg/kg)



ACTION-Galactosemia Trial Data Adult Galactosemia Patient Baseline Demographics



## Baseline Demographic and Diagnostic Characteristics (n=11\*) Broad Age Range, Multiple Genetic Mutations Represented

Subject	Age	Gender	Ethnicity	ВМІ	Gene mutation	Urine galactitol (mM/urine creatine mol/L) Baseline	Plasma galactitol (ng/ml) Baseline	GALT enzyme activity (Mmol/h/mg)
2003-101	33	М	Caucasian	24.3	Q188R/Q188R	208	2630	0
2003-102	51	М	Caucasian	21.7	Q188R/Q188R	123	2390	0
2003-104	19	М	Caucasian	21.6	Q188R/Q188R	137	2150	0
2003-105	22	F	Caucasian	22.7	Q188R/Q188R	255	2860	0
2004-001*	37	М	Caucasian	21.3	Q188R/Q188R	152	2700	0
2004-004	40	М	Caucasian	32.7	N314D/ c119-116 deletion	102	2500	0
2004-005	24	F	Caucasian	23.1	Q188R/Q188R	142	2210	0
2002-002	19	F	Caucasian	23.9	K285N/c119-116 deletion	139	2500	0
2004-007	19	F	Caucasian	21.4	Q188R/Q188R	133	2450	0
2004-008	22	М	Caucasian	17.4	Q188R/Q188R	130	1930	0
2004-009	28	Μ	Caucasian	20.5	Q188R/Q188R	99	2630	0
Summary	28.55 ± 10.5	4F and 7M	Caucasian	22.78 ± 3.8	9 Q118R homozygous and 2 compound heterozygous	147.27 ± 45.8	2450 ± 268.7	0

\*One placebo patient in cohort 1 crossed over to active for total of n=12



### Baseline Demographic and Diagnostic Characteristics Cohorts Well Balanced

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MEAN (SD)	30 (10.1)	2F/2M	25.3 (5.1)	4 Caucasians	2Q188R and 2 compound heterozygous	134 (21.9)	2478 (201.7)	0
				5mg				
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### Galactosemia Patient Baseline Clinical & Descriptive Characteristics (n=11\*)

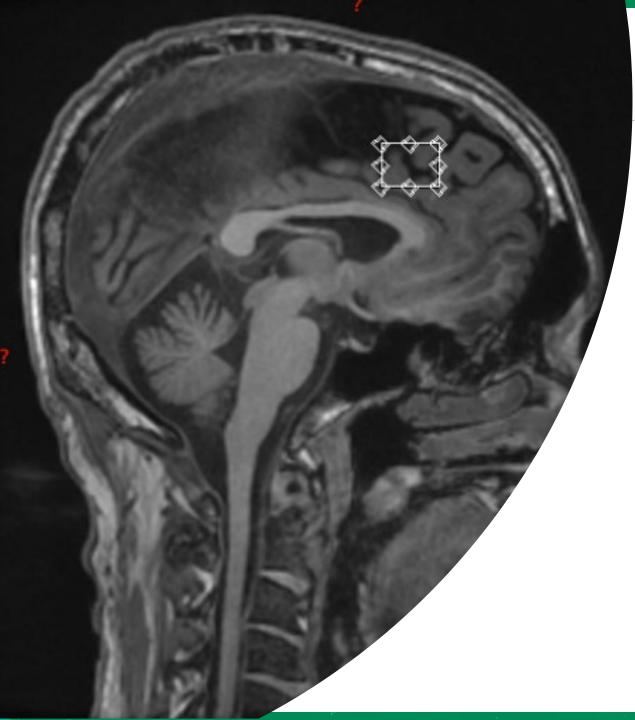
Clinical Characteristics		Descriptive Characteristics			
CNS Disorders	Psychiatric Disorders	Patient Quality of Life			
Seizures (n=5)	Anxiety (n=4)	Living with family members or proximity of caregiver (all, n=11)			
Dementia (n=1)	Depression (n=3)	Living with failing members of proximity of caregiver (all, n=11)			
Encephalopathy (n=1)	ADHD (n=3)	Able to travel only with caregiver (n=9)			
Tremor					
Endocrine	Disorders	Unemployed and/or not in school (n=5)			
Primary ovarian insufficiency (All Fe	males) Short stature (n=1)	Employed (primarily manual employment, unskilled labor n=6)			
Gynecomastia (n=1)	Osteopenia (n=2)				
Erectile dysfunction (n=1)	Vitamin D deficiency (n=6)	Secondary education (n=2)			
Hypothyroidism (n=1)		Secondary education (n=2)			

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# **MRI/MRS** Baseline Characteristics

- Brain morphology changes caused by galactitol-induced osmotic dysregulation (edema)
- Galactitol was present and quantifiable in the brain of all adult Galactosemia patients (absent in healthy adults)
- Galactitol levels in the brain correlated with galactitol levels in the blood
- N-acetyl-aspartate, a marker of neuronal health, was markedly decreased (-75%) in all Galactosemia patients

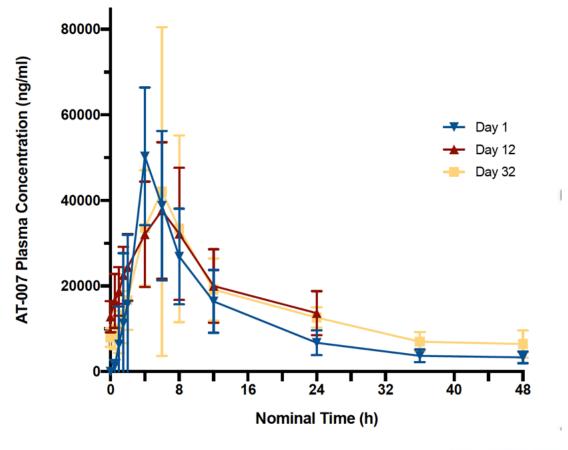


**ACTION-Galactosemia Trial Data** AT-007 Pharmacokinetics and Safety Data in Galactosemia Patients



# AT-007 Pharmacokinetic Results in Galactosemia Patients

- Plasma PK parameters potentially support once daily oral dosing
- PK profile in Galactosemia patients was similar to healthy volunteers, suggesting similar drug metabolism and clearance
- PK profile suggests no first pass clearance or other PK effects (de-sensitization or induction)



#### Mean AT-007 Plasma Concentrations at 20mg/kg by Day



# Detailed Safety Findings AT-007 Safe and Well-Tolerated: No Drug-Related Adverse Events

	NUMBER (%) OF PATIENTS, NUMBER OF EVENTS					
SYSTEM ORGAN CLASS PREFERRED TERM	Placebo N=4	AT-007 (5 mg/kg) N=4	AT-007 (20 mg/kg) N=4	Overall N=12*		
Any Adverse Event	1 (25.0), 3	3 (75.0), 6	2 (50.0), 2	6 (50.0), 11		
Cardiac Disorders	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Tachycardia	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Ear and Labyrinth Disorder	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Ear discomfort	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Gastrointestinal Disorders	1 (25.0), 1	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	2 (16.7), 2		
Dyspepsia	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Abdominal Discomfort	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
General Disorder and Administration site conditions	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Feeling hot	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Infections	0 (0.0), 0	2 (50.0) 2	0 (0.0), 0	2 (16.7) 2		
Upper respiratory tract infection	0 (0.0), 0	2 (50%) 2	0 (0.0), 0	2 (17%) 2		
Injury/ Procedural Complications	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Contusion	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Musculoskeletal and Connective Tissue Disorders	0 (0.0), 0	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	1 (8.3), 1		
Mobility decreased	0 (0.0), 0	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	1 (8.3), 1		
Psychiatric Disorder	0 (0.0), 0	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	1 (8.3), 1		
Anxiety	0 (0.0), 0	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	1 (8.3), 1		
Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Disorders	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		
Pruritus	0 (0.0), 0	1 (25.0), 1	0 (0.0), 0	1 (8.3), 1		



# Detailed Laboratory Findings No Drug-Related Changes in Hepatic or Renal Function

PARAMETER/VISIT	Placebo N=4	AT-007 5 mg/kg N=4	AT-007 20 mg/kg N=4
ALT (U/L) – Mean (SD)			
Baseline	21.50 (7.00)	17.75 (9.0)	18.25 (9.07)
Post-Dosing (Day 32)	23.00 (10.15)	14.5 (8.39)	22.00 (6.38)
AST (U/L) – Mean (SD)			
Baseline	22.00 (2.58)	19.25 (6.70)	21.75 (9.43)
Post-Dosing (Day 32)	21.33 (4.04)	17.25 (7.14)	23.33 (5.51)
Bilirubin (mg/dL) – Mean (SD)			
Baseline	0.44 (0.18)	0.51 (0.14)	038 (0.19)
Post-Dosing (Day 32)	0.38 (0.21)	0.44 (0.12)	0.5 (0.28)
GFR (mL/min/1.73/m²) – Mean (SD)			
Baseline	116.50 (27.40)	98.75 (12.04)	109.75 (22.65)
Post – Dosing (Day 32)	108.67 (17.79)	88.50 (3.87)	115.25 (28.30)



## Safety and PK Summary in Galactosemia Patients

#### Pharmacokinetics

- PK potentially supports once-daily dosing
- Linear increase in AT-007 dose-dependent plasma concentration
- Similar exposure levels in Galactosemia patients and healthy volunteers

#### Safety

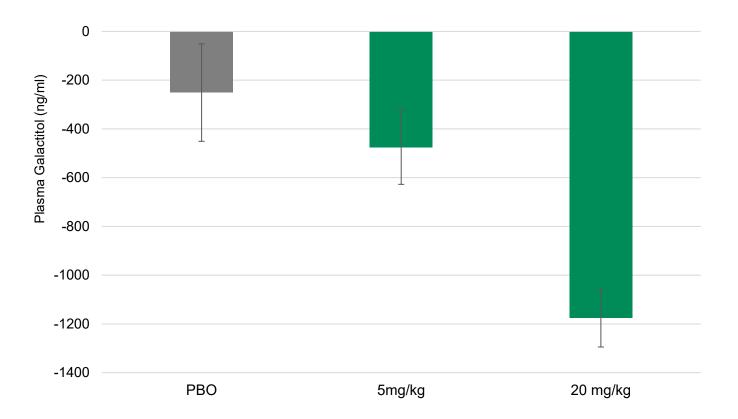
- AT-007 was safe and well-tolerated
- No treatment-related discontinuations
- No treatment-related Adverse Events
- No treatment-related lab abnormalities



**ACTION-Galactosemia Trial Data** AT-007 Efficacy Biomarker Results in Galactosemia Patients



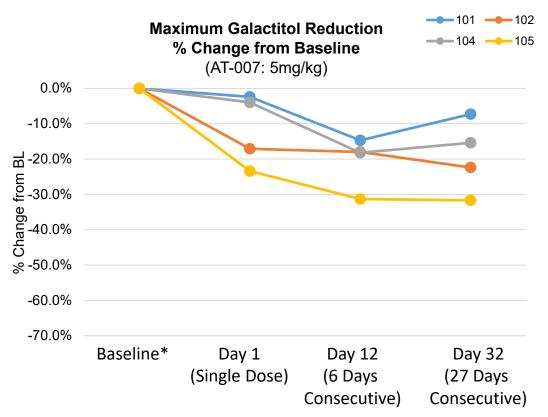
### AT-007 Treatment Significantly Reduced Plasma Galactitol Levels in Adult Galactosemia Patients in a Dose-Dependent Fashion



#### **Maximum Galactitol Reduction**

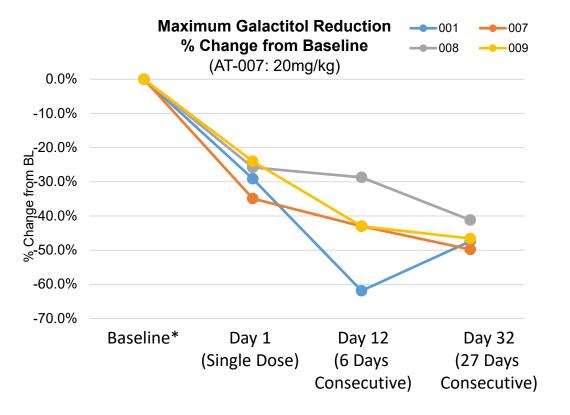


## AT-007 Decreased Galactitol Levels in All Treated Patients Galactitol Reduction Was Rapid and Sustained



#### Reduction in Galactitol at 5mg/kg ~20%

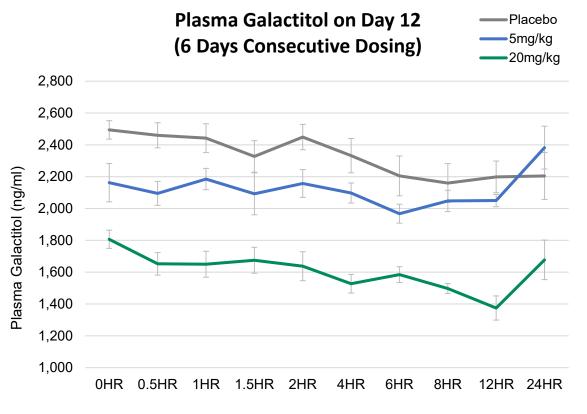
#### Reduction in Galactitol at 20mg/kg ~50%





# AT-007 Reduction in Galactitol Was Maintained Throughout the 24-Hour Treatment Period

Reductions of ~20% at 5mg/kg and ~50% at 20mg/kg were stable throughout the 24-hour dosing period

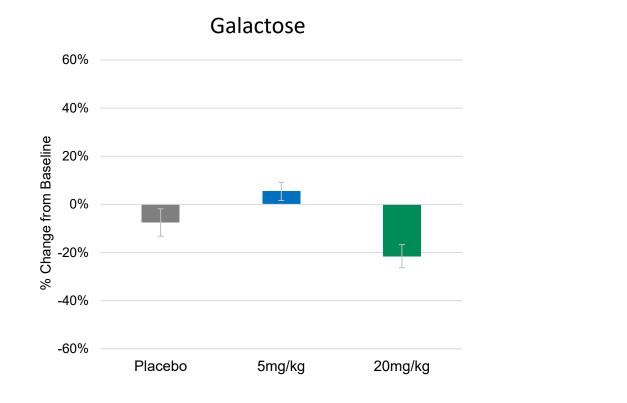


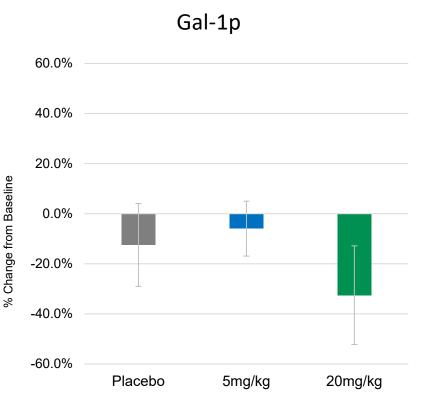
Hours post-dosing on Day 12



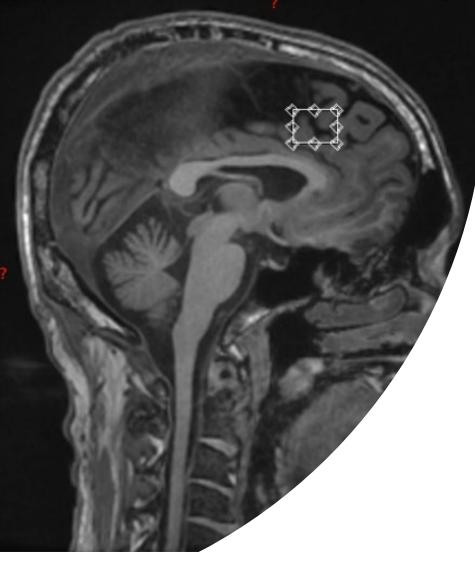
# Treatment with AT-007 Decreases Galactitol and Does Not Increase Galactose or Gal-1p

#### No significant changes were seen in galactose or Gal-1p levels at steady state









## MRI/MRS Topline Results

MRI

- (3/3)\* high dose patients demonstrated reduction in ventricular volume, a measure of brain edema
- (2/4) low dose patients demonstrated reduction in edema
- No placebo patients displayed significant changes on measures of brain edema

MRS

- Most patients demonstrated a decrease in brain galactitol with AT-007 treatment
- Magnitude of galactitol reduction in the brain correlated with reductions in the bloodstream

#### Additional MRI/MRS analyses underway; extension will also provide additional data on more patients

\*MRI/MRS was limited by inability of some patients to withstand MRI (anxiety) and low-quality scans in others (due to tremor/ movement)



# A Closer Look at Seizures

## Seizures

- 5 patients had a history of seizures (generalized onset)
- All 5 patients were maintained on antiepileptic medications
- 4 patients had < 1 seizure per year
- 1 patient had > 1 seizure per month
- No significant changes in seizure frequency during the ACTION-Galactosemia core study could be assessed due to the low frequency of seizures in the majority of patients



**ACTION-Galactosemia Trial Data** AT-007 for Treatment of Galactosemia: Future Development Plans



# AT-007 Extension Study: Designed to Confirm Long-Term Safety

- 90 Day Safety Extension
- Open to those who participated in 28-day core study and new patients
- Safety monitoring & biomarker assessments (as conducted in core study)
- Revised to primarily at-home visits (limited to no travel required) to address burden of travel to sites/ impact on families and COVID-19 concerns
- Study remains on track despite COVID-19



# Adult European Study Cohort to Recruit GALK-Deficient Patients

- Primarily designed to recruit GALK deficient patients
  - More prevalent in Europe, but still extremely rare
  - Display similar CNS complications to Classic Galactosemia (GALT-deficient) patients
- UK site
  - One cohort of patients (~6) planned at UK site, but large pool of patients exists (~70 at single site)
- Czech Republic
  - Population incidence in Romani/ Irish Traveler population







## Proposed AT-007 Pediatric Study (Under Development)

### **Proposed Study Design**

- 2-Part Multiple Dose Study
- Several age groups investigated
  - $\geq 2-6$
  - $\geq 7-12$
  - ≥ 13 < 18</li>
  - Children 2 months 2 yrs may be added following initial safety data (newborns/ infants)

### **Proposed Study Objectives**

• Safety

- Dose determination (via PK/PD)
- Efficacy biomarker effects (plasma galactitol)
- Exploratory: MRI/MRS effects
  - Galactitol quantitation
  - Brain morphometry
  - NAA concentration (neuronal health biomarker)



ACTION-Galactosemia Trial Data Summary & Conclusions



# Summary: ACTION-Galactosemia Study Results

### Safety/ PK/ PD

- AT-007 was safe and well-tolerated in the ACTION-Galactosemia study
- PK/PD data potentially supports oncedaily oral dosing
- AT-007 is CNS penetrant important in Galactosemia, which includes significant CNS clinical presentation

#### **Efficacy in Galactosemia Patients**

- AT-007 induced rapid and sustained reduction in plasma galactitol, an aberrant, toxic metabolite formed in Galactosemia patients
- 20mg/kg dosing resulted ~50% reduction in plasma galactitol (p<0.01 vs. placebo)
- AT-007 MRI/MRS impact





