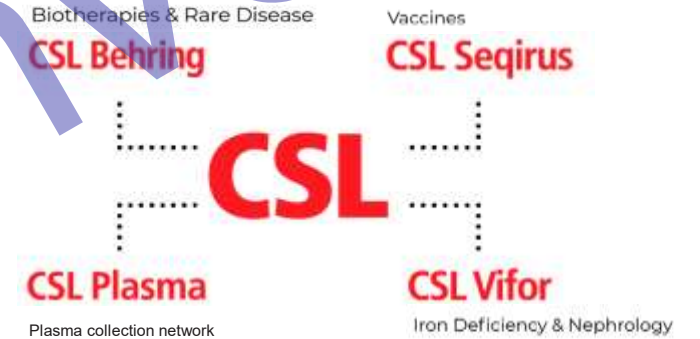


# ACCESS TO GENE THERAPY FOR HEMOPHILIA B PATIENTS

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## Who we are ?

- A leading international biopharmaceutical company.
- Dedicated to developing and delivering innovative treatments for patients suffering from **rare and serious diseases**.
- With a presence in 4 areas : **immunology, haematology, respiratory, critical care**.
- CSL Behring belongs to the CSL group.



## The CSL group in some figures.



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## A significant investment in R&D



2,000+  
R&D employees  
worldwide



18  
R&D centres  
in 10 countries



\$4.6 billion  
CSL R&D investment  
in last 5 years



30 specialities  
Under development



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# More than 50 commercialized specialities

Among them, the first gene therapy in haemophilia B

Immunology



15 specialities

Respiratory



2 specialities

Hematology



26 specialities

Critical care



8 specialities

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# Haemophilia

## A coagulation problem

### Hemostasis.

- All the physiological processes that allow bleeding to stop.

### The 3 stages of hemostasis.

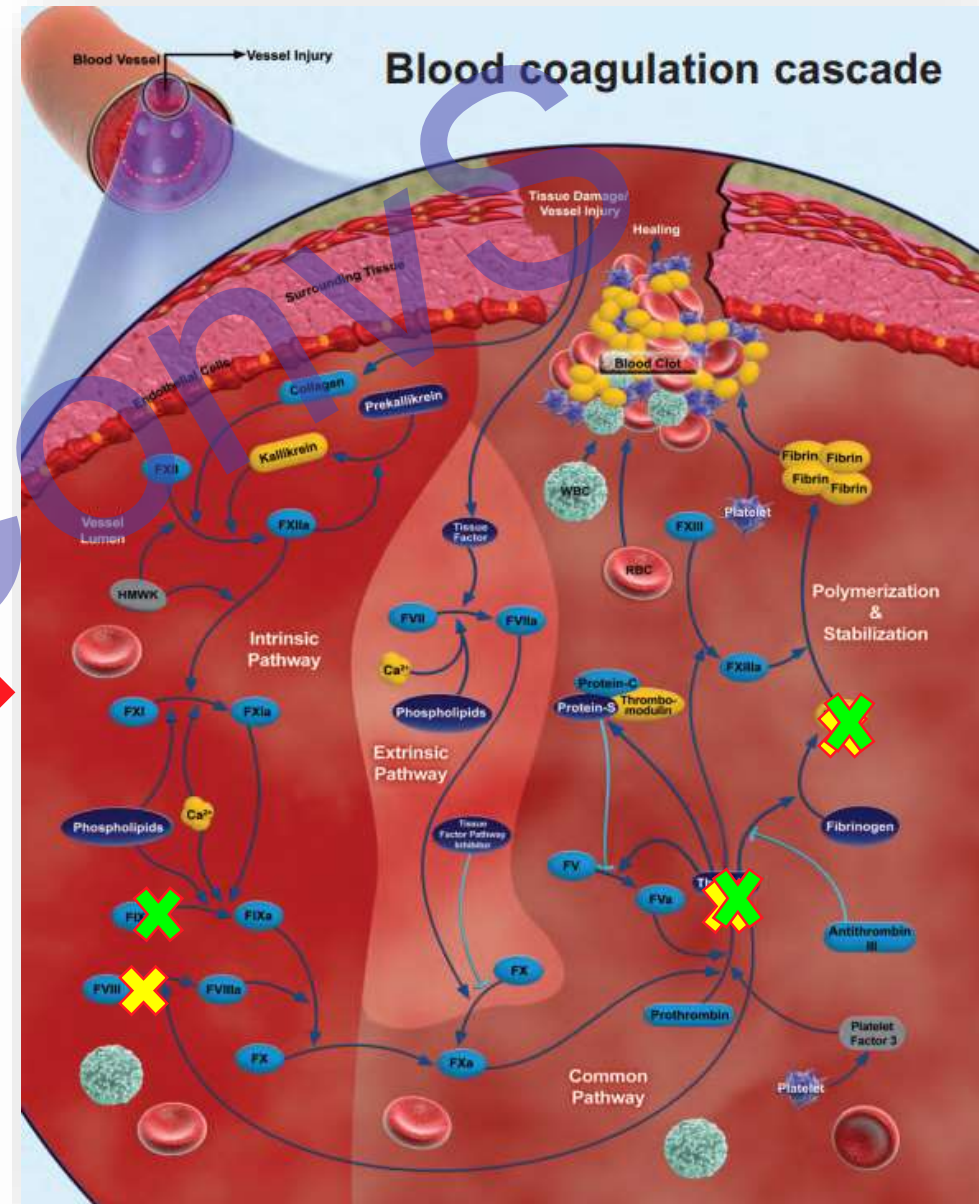
- **Primary hemostasis** : formation of the platelet plug.
- **Coagulation** : setting up of the coagulation **cascade** to form fibrin strands, which strengthen the platelet plug.
- **Fibrinolysis** : regulation of coagulation to prevent thrombus.

### Haemophilia.

- **Haemophilia A** : FVIII deficiency
- **Haemophilia B** : FIX deficiency

No coagulation

Bleeds



[https://docs.abcam.com/pdf/cardiovascular/blood\\_coagulation.pdf](https://docs.abcam.com/pdf/cardiovascular/blood_coagulation.pdf)

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# Haemophilia

## Clinical manifestations

### Bleeds.

- Traumatic and **spontaneous**.
- 70 to 80% are **hemarthroses**.
- 10-20% are muscular hematomas.
- **Intracranial bleeding** (<5%) that may be fatal.
- The **risk of bleeding is inversely correlated with the level of circulating factor**.

### From hemarthrosis to arthropathy.

#### Hemarthrosis

- Effusion of blood in a joint.



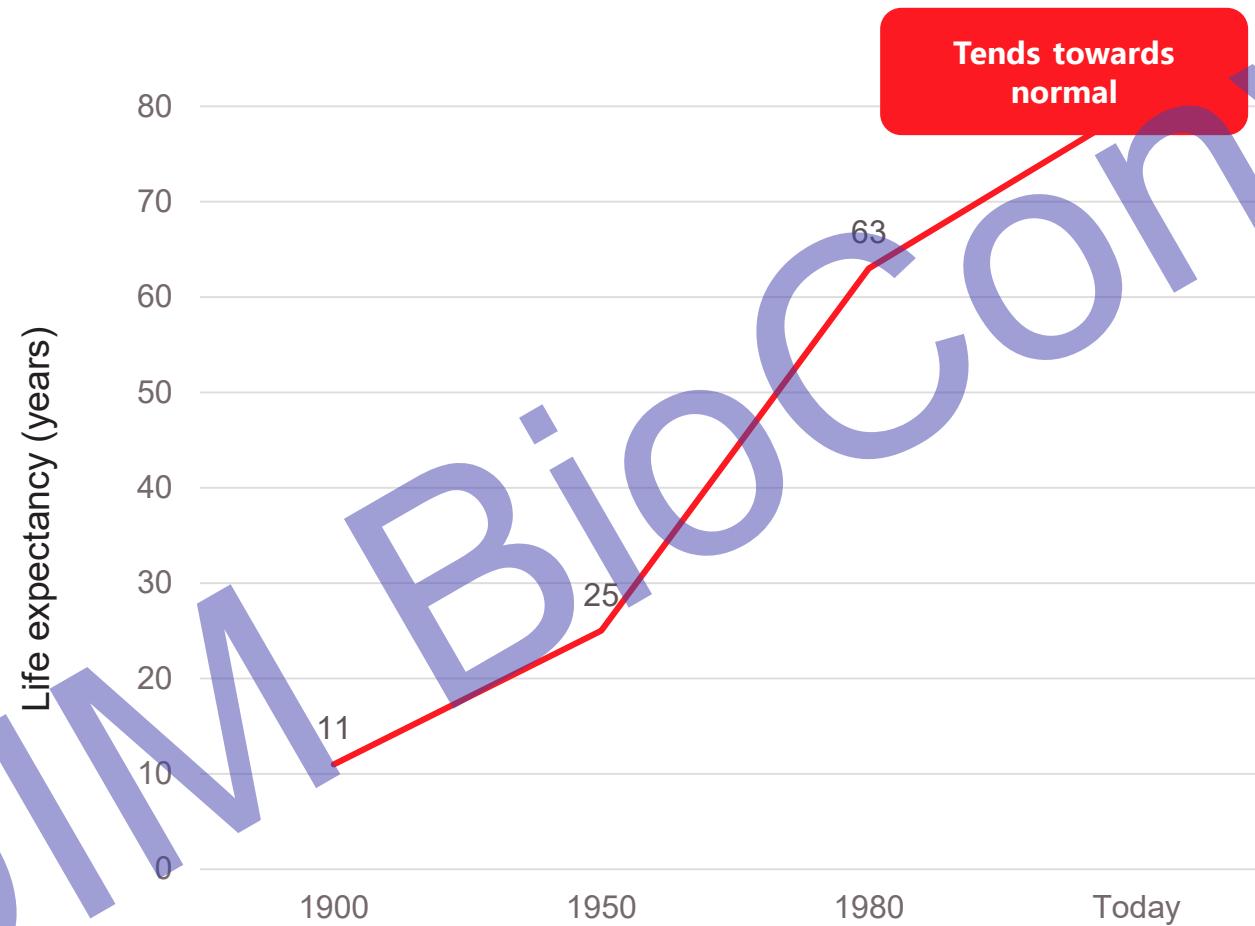
#### Arthropathy

- Consequence of repeated hemarthroses.
- Very advanced forms are associated with **major disability**.



# Haemophilia

## Life expectancy



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# Haemophilia

## Why and how many patients ?

### Etiology.

- Caused by a **mutation in the F8 or F9 gene** which can result in reduced amounts of FVIII or FIX.
- F8 and F9 genes are positioned on the X chromosome.
- **Recessive X-linked disorder.** Men are haemophiliacs. Women are carriers.
- *De novo* mutations in 30-50% of cases.
- Severity of the disease depends on the reduction of levels of FVIII or FIX.

### Epidemiological data.

Haemophilia is a **rare disease** (< 5 people out of 10,000).

#### Haemophilia A (80%)

	Sévère	Modérée	Mineure	Total
Total, n	2135	889	4266	<b>7290</b>

Francecoag.org (consultation on 09/21/23)

#### Haemophilia B (20%)

	Sévère	Modérée	Mineure	Total
Total, n (%)	419	421	892	<b>1732</b>

Francecoag.org (consultation on 09/21/23)

### The Royal Disease.

Queen Victoria of England was a carrier. Following the union of her descendants, the disease spread to other royal families (Spanish and Russian).

Concentration of factor (VIII:C or IX:C)	Classification	Clinical
<0.01 IU/mL (<1% of normal)	Severe	Spontaneous joint and muscle bleeding; bleeding after injuries, accidents, and surgery
0.01–0.05 IU/mL (1–5% of normal)	Moderate	Bleeding into joints and muscles after minor injuries; excessive bleeding after surgery and dental extractions
>0.05–0.40 IU/mL (5–40% of normal)	Mild	Spontaneous bleeding does not occur; bleeding after surgery, dental extractions, and accidents



# Haemophilia

## What is the current treatment ?

Two regimens.

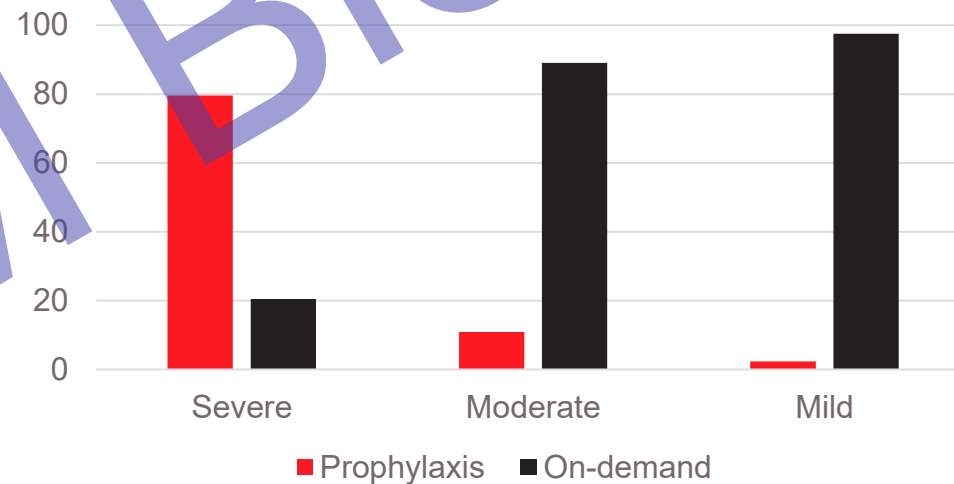
### Patients with severe haemophilia

- The standard of care is **prophylaxis to prevent bleeding**.
- **Prophylaxis** = regular injections of a replacement therapy (clotting factor) or of other hemostasis products.

### Patients with moderate or mild haemophilia

- **On-demand treatment to treat bleeding episodes**.
- **On-demand treatment** = treatment of a declared bleeding episode by administering the deficient factor.

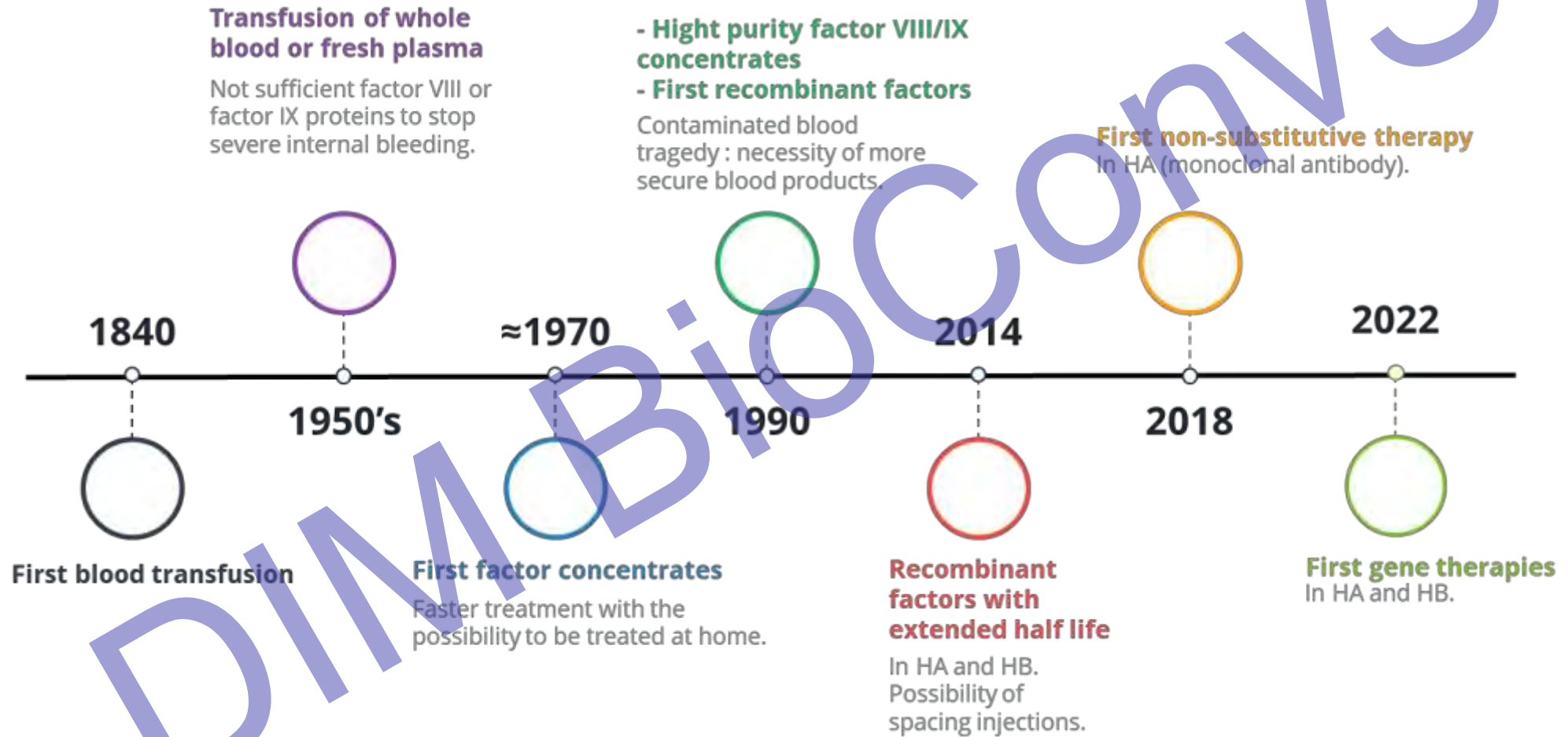
In haemophilia B



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# Haemophilia

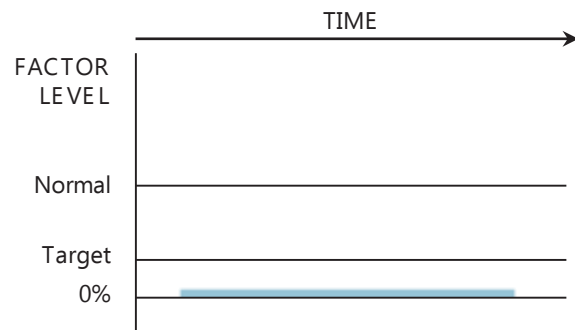
## Treatment history



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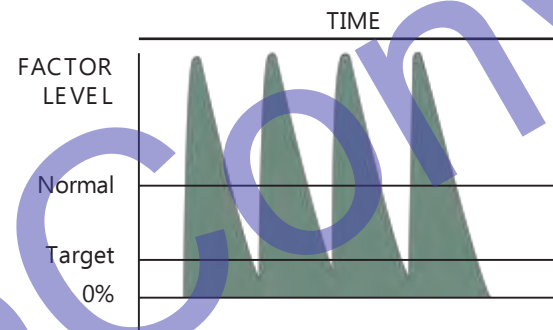
## Factor levels by type of treatments in patient with severe disease

The goal of the prophylaxis is to maintain the clotting factor trough levels above a target level of 3% to 5%.



### No treatment

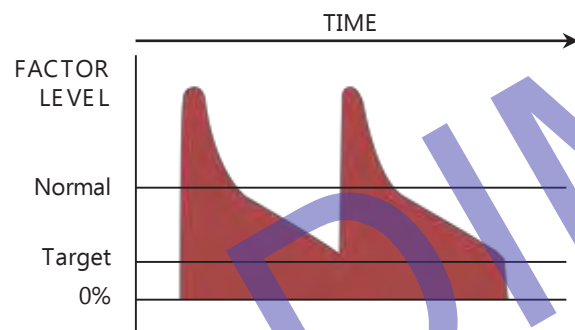
Inadequate factor levels at all times.



### Standard factor therapy

Short-acting factor therapy requiring 2-3 IV injections/week.

Factor levels spike with every dose, often dipping below the target.



### Long-acting factor therapy

It requires less frequent dosing. It maintains levels at or above the target.

But it still requires regular administrations and it results in fluctuating factor levels over time.

### Unmet needs

Maintain factor trough levels of 3% to 5% requires frequent infusions<sup>2</sup>.

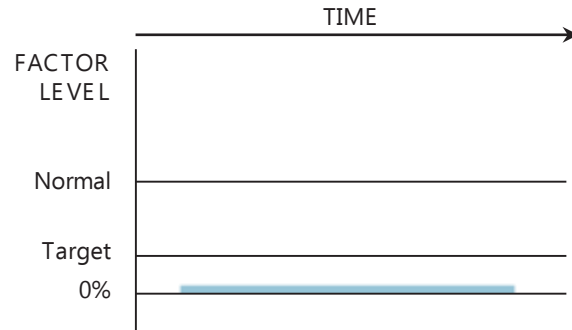
### Burden of Treatment

High treatment burden of FIX prophylaxis may impact QoL and adherence of patients<sup>3,4</sup>.

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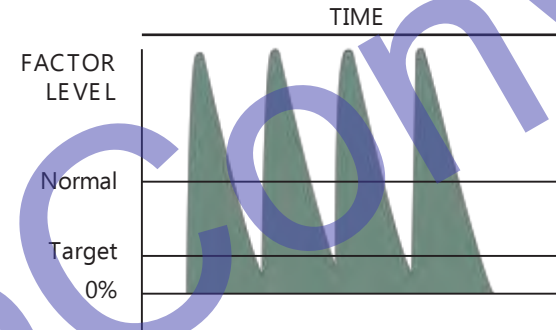
# Haemophilia

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### No treatment

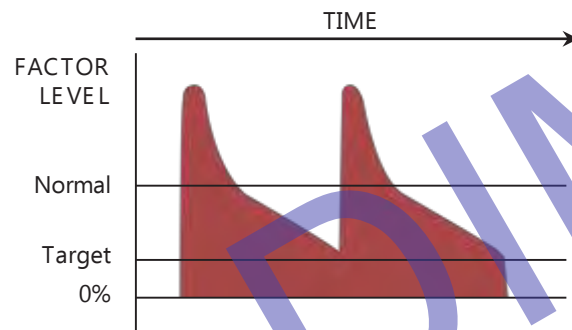
Inadequate factor levels at all times (severe haemophilia).



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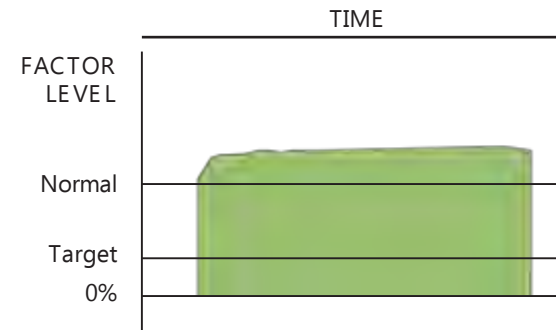
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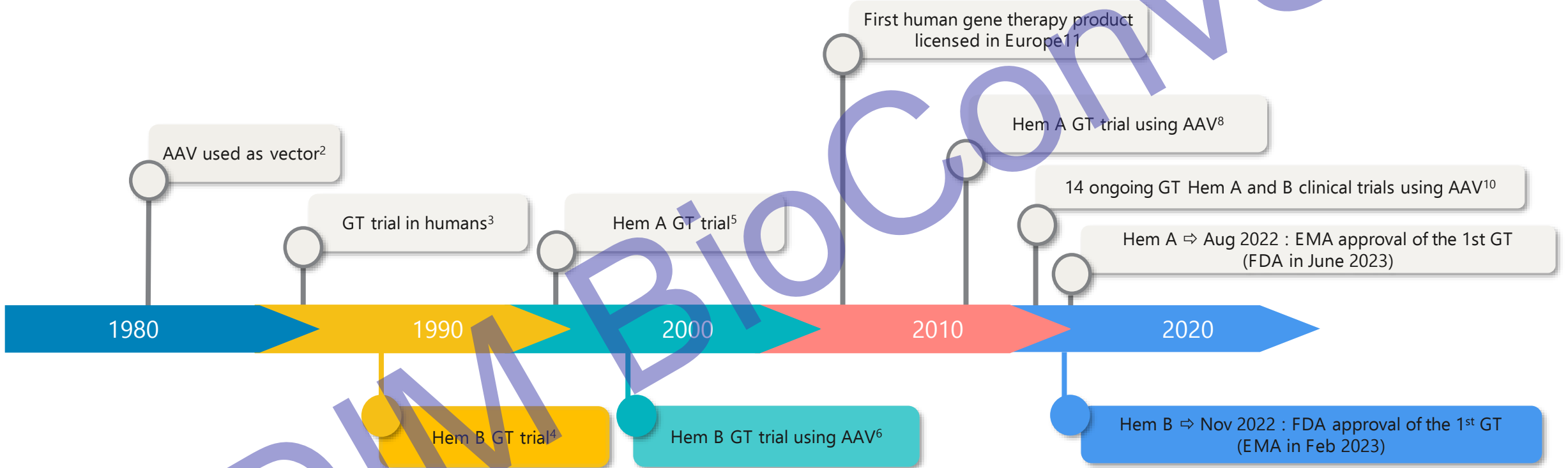


### Gene therapy

A single administration holds the potential to sustain above-target factor levels for months or years at a time.

# Haemophilia

AAV-based gene transfer therapy was investigated as a novel treatment option



AAV : adeno-associated virus.

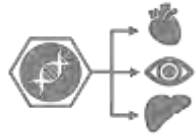
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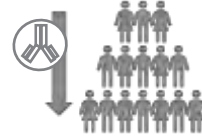
# AAV-based gene transfer therapy

## Why with an AAV vector ?

What is an ideal gene therapy vector ?



Delivers therapeutic gene to the appropriate organ<sup>2</sup>



Favourable immunologic profile to enable treatment of the largest possible population<sup>3</sup>



Minimal off-target effects<sup>2</sup>



Allows one-time administration with durable effect<sup>1,2</sup>

Characteristics of different vectors used in GT<sup>4</sup>.

	AAV	Adenoviral	Lentiviral	Retroviral
Host genome integration	Non integrating	Non integrating	Integrating	Integrating
Viral genome	DNA	DNA	RNA	RNA
Gene packaging capacity	~5 kb	~8–30 kb	~8 kb	~8 kb
Immune response to vector	Low	Extensive	Low	Low
Long-term expression	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

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# AAV-based gene transfer therapy

## What is WT AAV ?

AAV vectors are derived from wild-type (WT) AAV

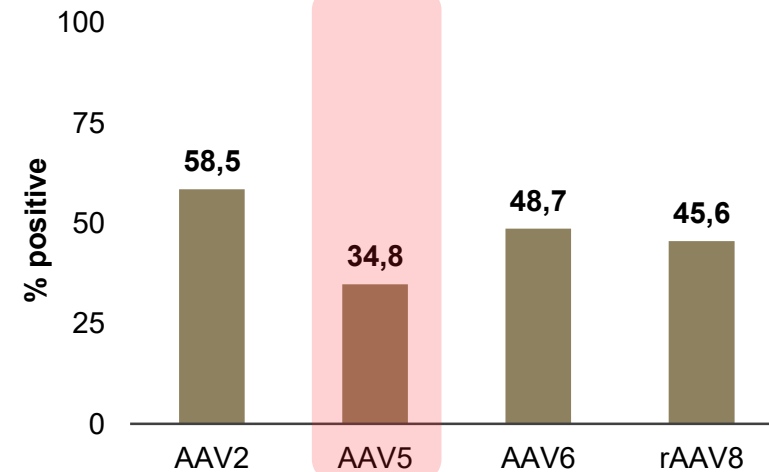
### What is WT AAV?

- WT AAV is a naturally occurring, **non-pathogenic**, replication-deficient member of the parvovirus family<sup>1</sup>
- WT AAV **cannot replicate** without a helper virus such as an adenovirus or herpes simplex virus<sup>2</sup>
- Most individuals experience asymptomatic exposure to WT AAV during childhood and develop **AAV antibodies**<sup>2</sup>

### Seroprevalence of AAV Neutralizing antibodies (NAbs).

- The seroprevalence of AAV NAbs varies by age, geographic location, and serotype<sup>3</sup>.
- **AAV5 has a lower prevalence of preexisting immunity (NAbs)** compared with other serotypes<sup>3</sup>.

### Global seropositivity for all serotypes<sup>3</sup>



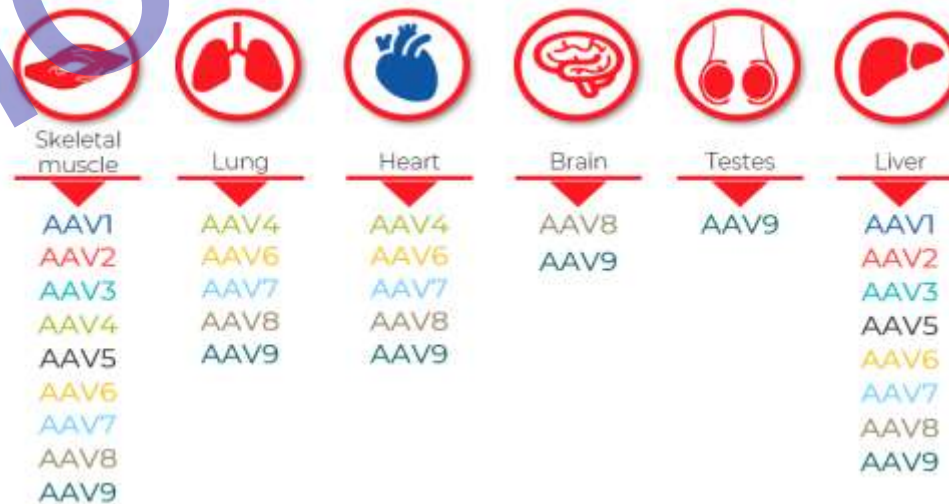
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# AAV-based gene transfer therapy

## Different properties of the AAV according to the serotype

- AAV serotypes differ in terms of their capsid properties including surface antigen expression.
- This means they have **different immunologic properties** and **tropism** for different organs and tissues<sup>1</sup>

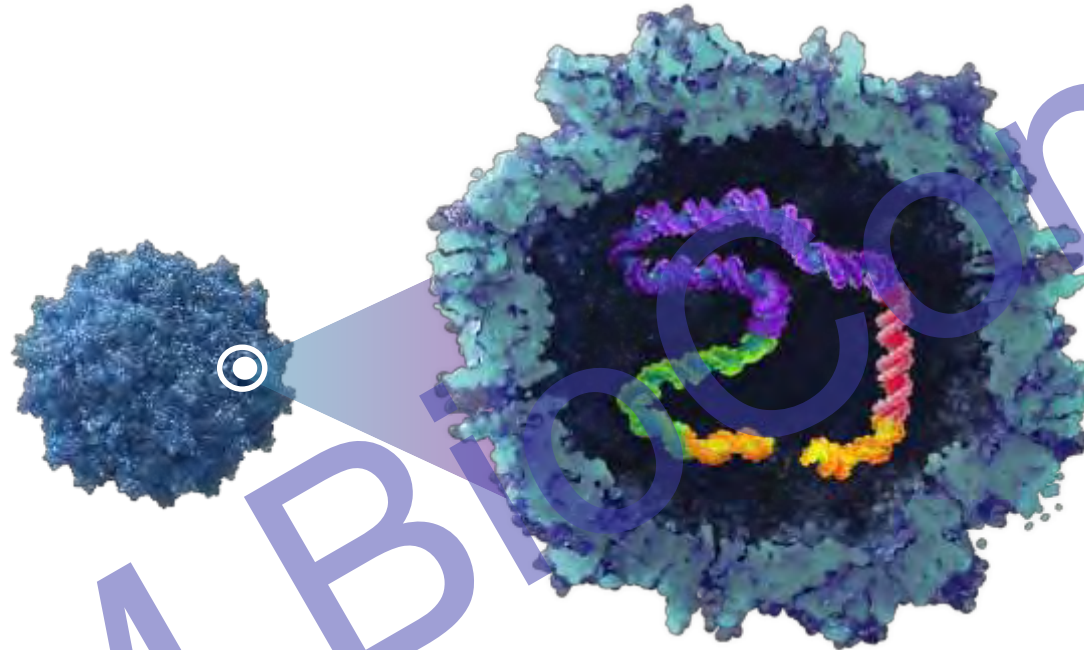
13 AAV serotypes have been identified



# AAV-based GT in haemophilia B

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rAAV5 capsid



**Transgene.**  
Padua human variant of *F9*

**Padua variant** = gain-of-function mutation leading to an 6-8-fold increase in FIX protein activity over WT FIX<sup>3</sup>.

**Promoter.**  
LP-1 which is **liver-specific**<sup>2</sup>.

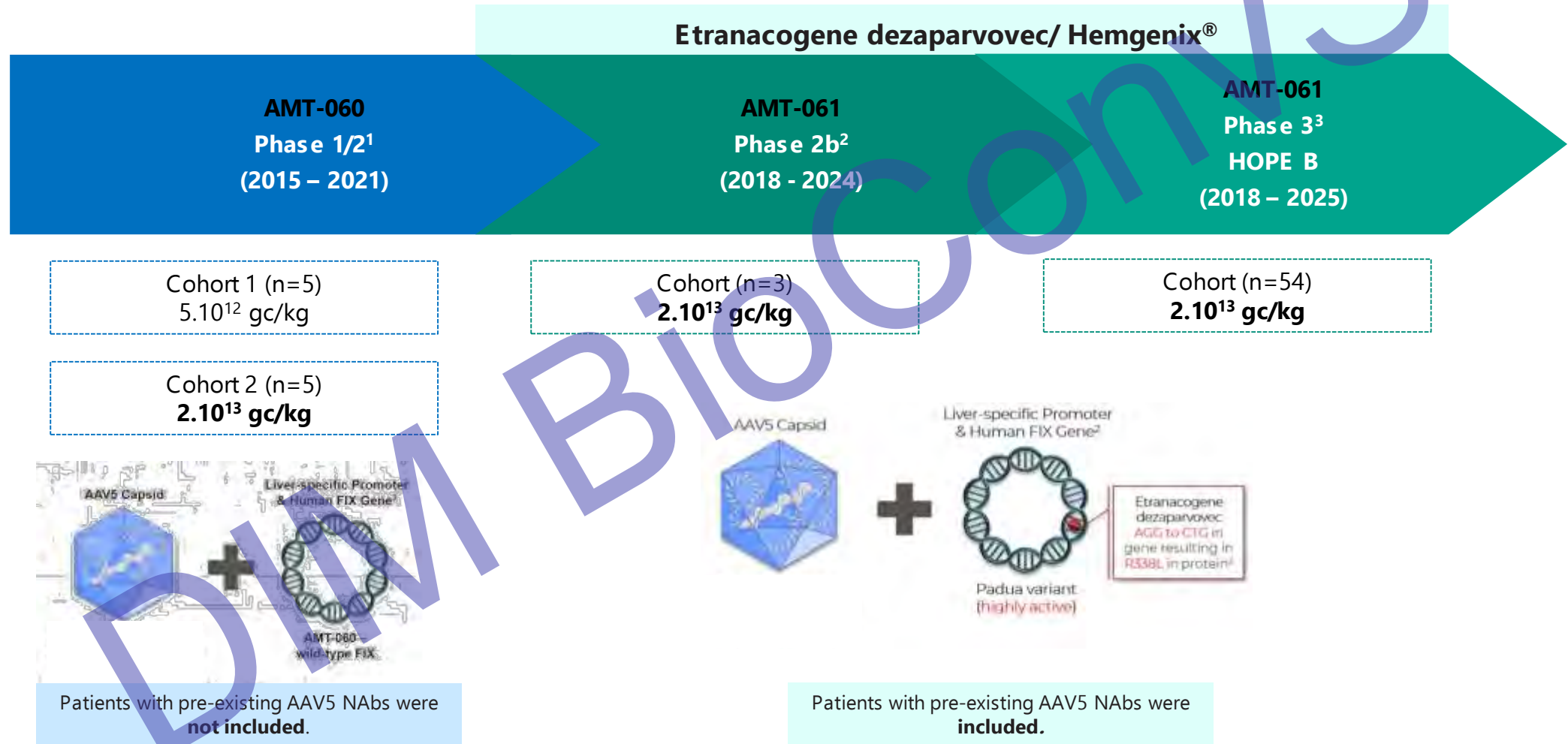
## Why serotype 5 ?

- Especially **effective in targeting liver tissue**<sup>1</sup>
- **Lower AAV5-NAbs prevalence**<sup>4</sup>.
- **Lower titre of AAV5-Nabs** compared to AAV2, AAV6, AAV8, AAVrh10<sup>4</sup>.
- Significantly **lower avidity of AAV5-specific IgG antibodies than for AAV2 and AAV8**<sup>5</sup>.

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## Clinical development programme in severe/moderately severe haemophilia B



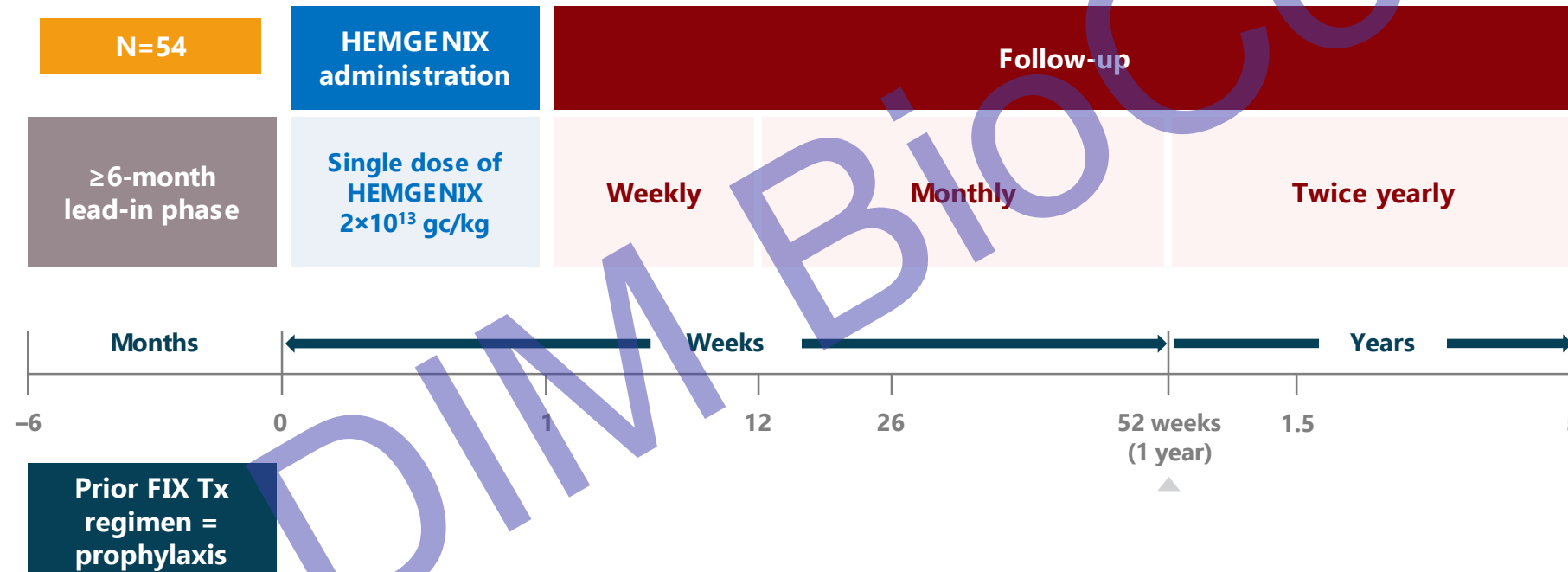


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## An approval based on the results of the phase 3 Hope-B trial

### Health Outcomes with Padua gene : Evaluation in haemophilia B (HOPE-B).

- Phase 3, open-label, single-dose, multicentre, multinational study.
- To determine efficacy and safety of HEMGENIX in patients with severe or moderately severe haemophilia B



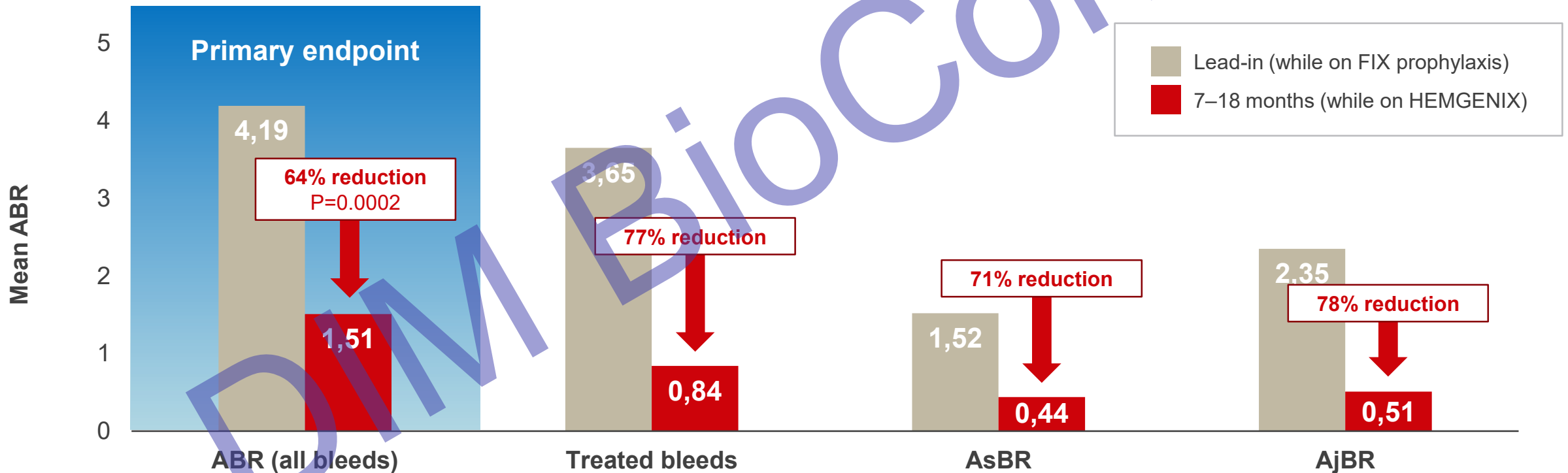
### Primary endpoint.

Annualized bleeding rate (ABR) measured from Week 26 to Week 78 after infusion compared to lead-in

# HOPE B trial

## Superior and sustained bleed protection with Hemgenix vs routine FIX prophylaxis

- Hemgenix achieved primary endpoint of reduced ABR (64%, P=0.0002) versus routine FIX prophylaxis during the lead-in period.
- This was sustained at 24 months.

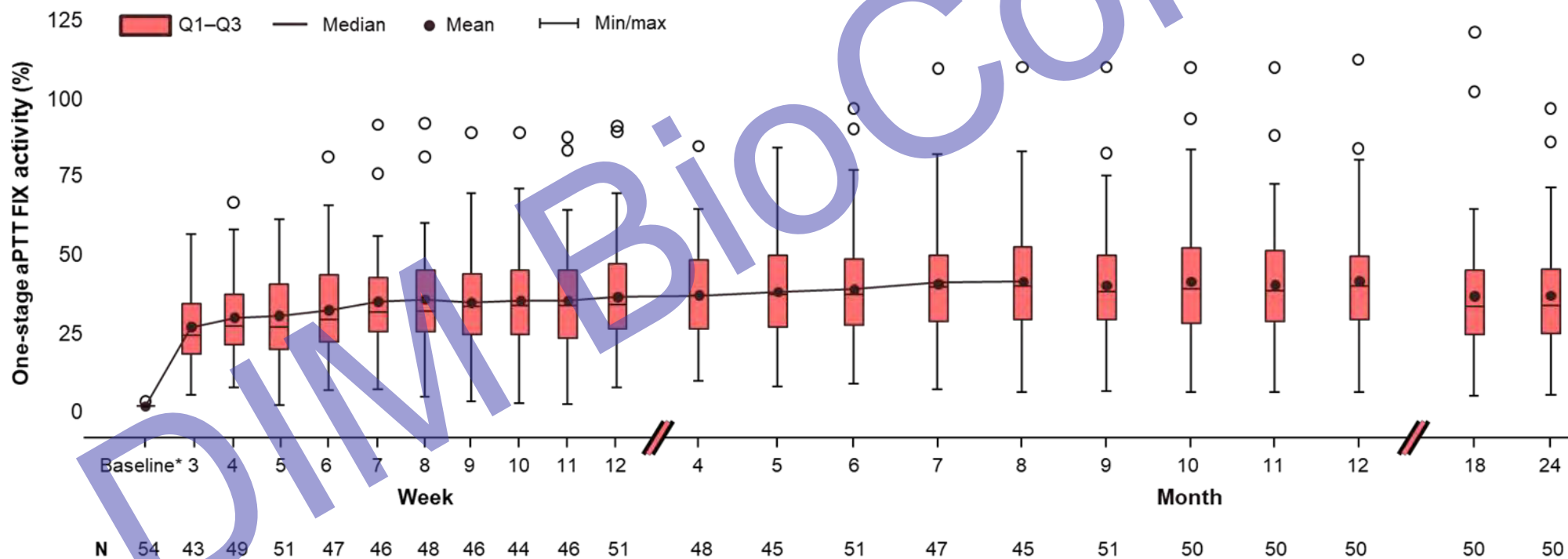


# HOPE B trial

## Treated patients had elevated and sustained FIX activity

After HEMGENIX, mean FIX activity levels were :

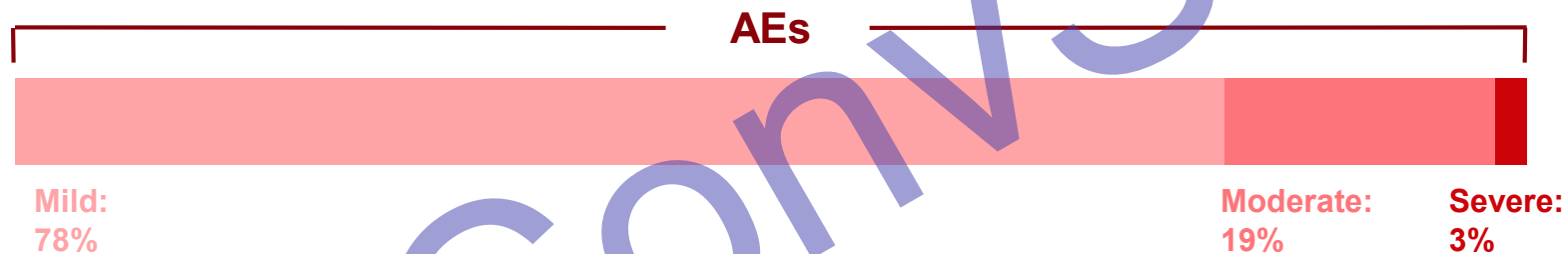
- **At Month 18** : **36.9 IU/dL** (SD ± 21.4; range, 4.5–122.9).
- **At Month 24** : **36.7 IU/dL** (SD ± 19.0, range 4.7–99.2).



# HOPE B trial

A proven safe treatment with no reported treatment-related serious adverse events

Most frequent TRAEs	n (%) N=54
ALT increased	9 (17)
Headache	8 (15)
Influenza-like illness	7 (13)
Infusion-related reactions	7 (13)
AST increased	5 (9)
Fatigue	4 (7)
Blood CPK increased	4 (7)
Nausea	4 (7)
Dizziness	4 (7)
Arthralgia	3 (6)



## Transaminase increases

- Observed in 9 patients
- All patients were treated with corticosteroids (mean duration 80 days)

**FIX expression was maintained**

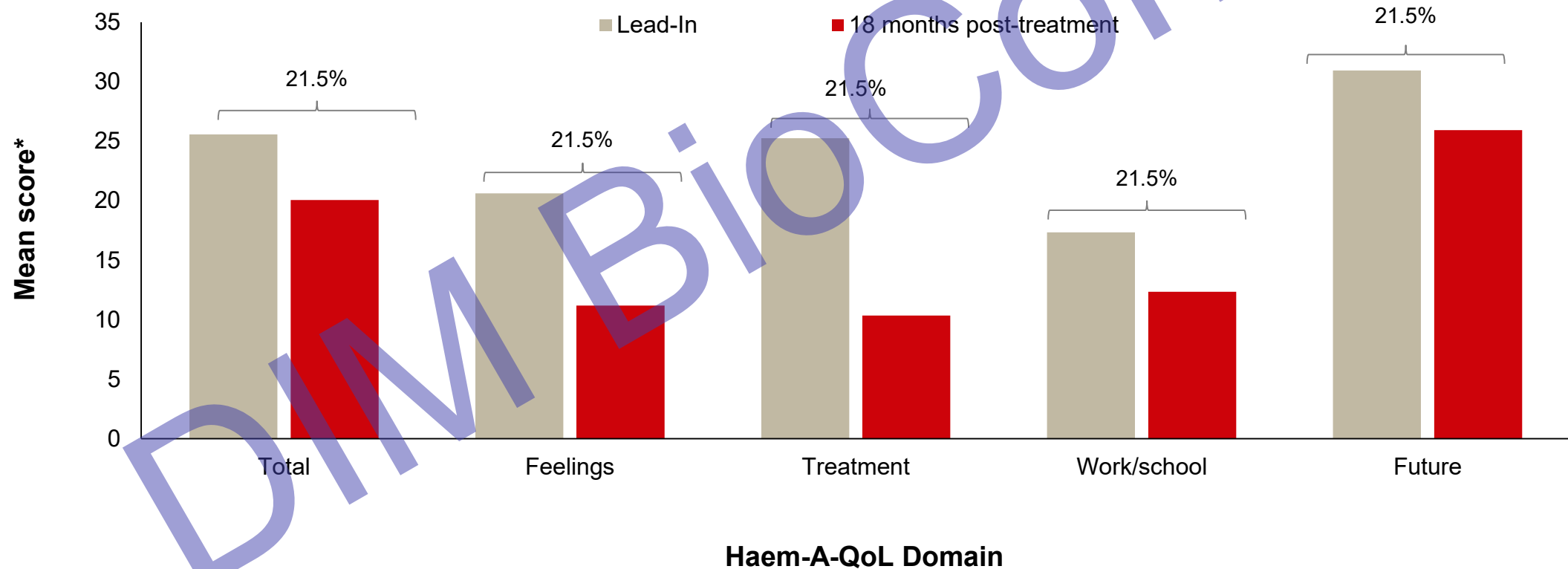
- 1 death reported, unrelated to study treatment

- 1 case of hepatocellular carcinoma reported, unrelated to study treatment

# HOPE B trial

## Improvement in quality of life

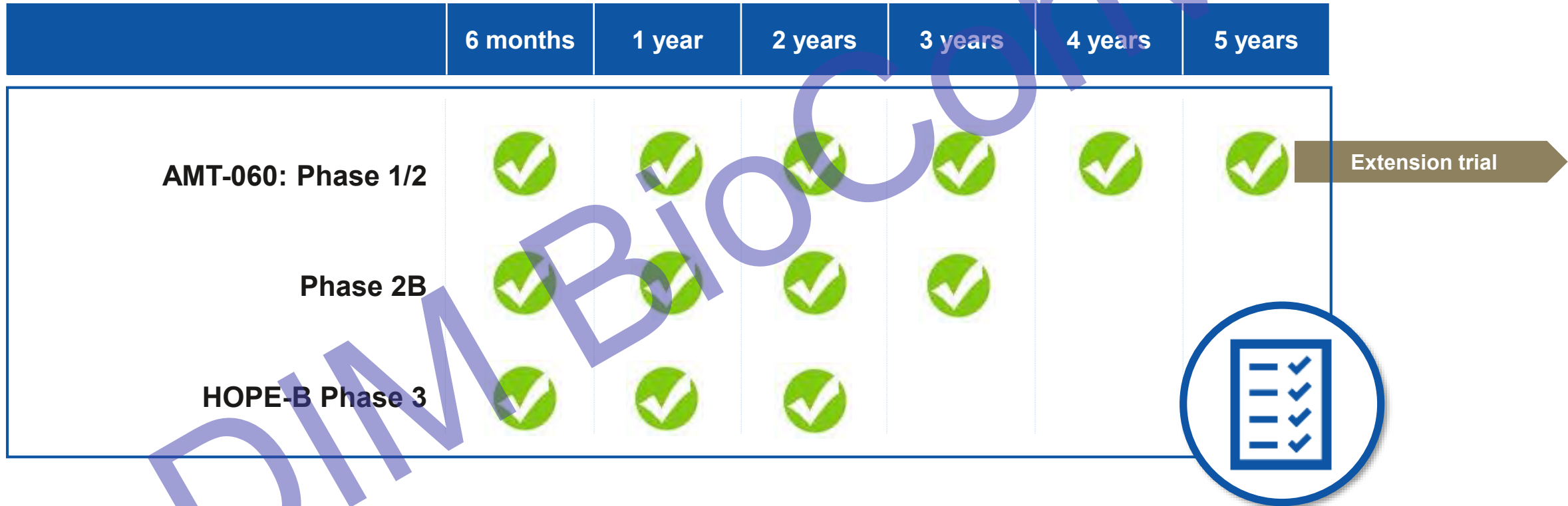
- Patients experienced a statistically significant improvement in overall quality of life and in the domains of feelings, treatment, work/school and future.





# Hemgenix clinical development

Where do we stand now ?

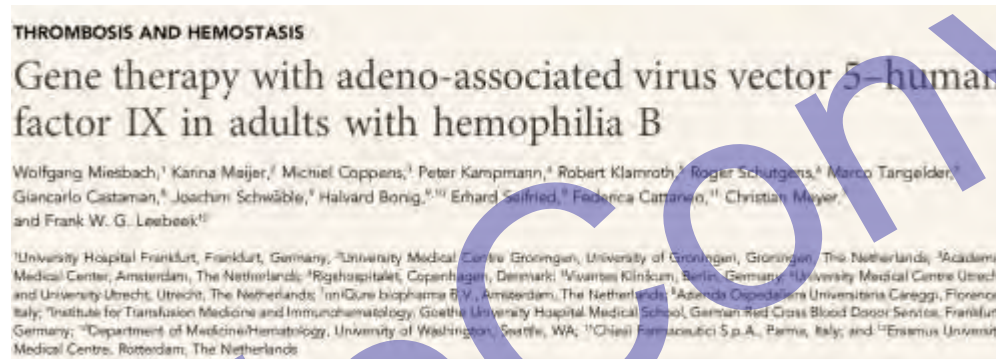


# Hemgenix clinical development

## Published articles

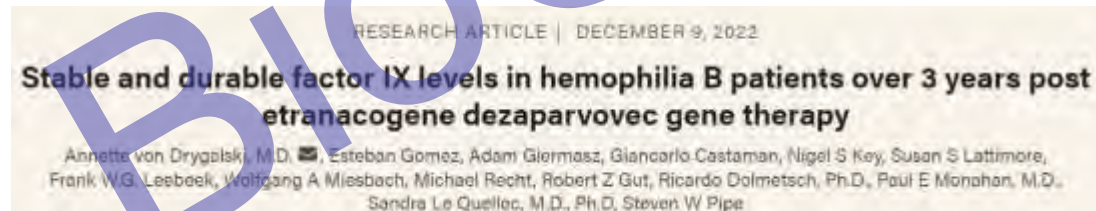
### Phase 1/2.

- Blood - March 1st, 2018.



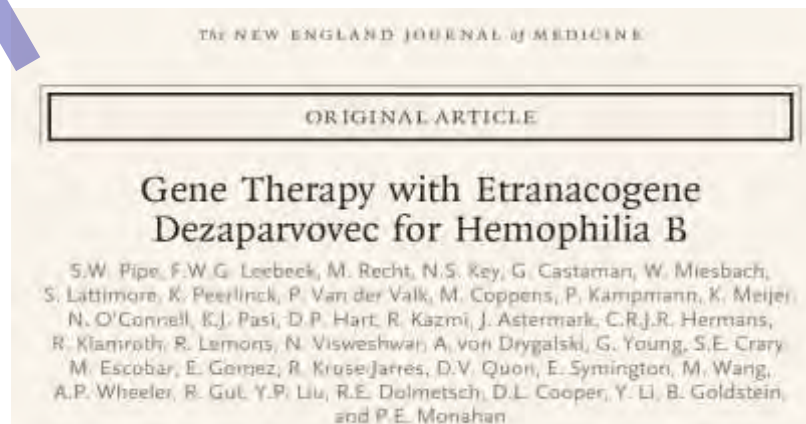
### Phase 2b.

- Blood advances – December 9, 2022.



### Phase 3.

- The New England Journal of Medicine – February, 2023.



Interim results are communicated at congresses.

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Research



Pre-clinical trials



Clinical trials

Marketing authorization

Pricing and reimbursement

Industrial production

Availability

## UniQure

Internal research and development of etranacogene dezaparvovec

- A company specialized in gene therapy.
- Owner of an **innovative AAV-based platform** and of a **commercial-scale manufacturing process** compliant with current good manufacturing practices (**GMP**).
- Other research programs : Huntington disease, temporal lobe epilepsy, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, Fabry disease, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease.
- **Collaboration** with international **pharmaceutical leaders**, **innovative early-stage companies** as well as **academic institutions** and **other research organizations**.



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Internal research and development of etranacogene dezaparvec



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**UniQure**  
Responsible for the global commercial supply and manufactures the product at its GMP facility in Lexington (US).



**CSL Behring**  
Solely responsible for the further development, registration, and commercialization of the therapy.



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